

## The Antiferromagnetic Correlations in the Half-Filled Double-Exchange Model at Finite Temperature

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Abstract: We extend a previous result of ours [G.S. Tian, Phys. Rev. B 63 (2001) 224413] on the antiferromagnetic spin correlations in the half-filled Hubbard model at finite temperature to the double-exchange model. To overcome the mathematical difficulty caused by the  $S=3/2$  localized spin freedom in this model, we apply both Zener's argument and the finite-temperature spin-reflection-positivity method to show rigorously that, at any temperature  $T$ , the spin correlations in the half-filled double-exchange model are predominantly antiferromagnetic. This conclusion is completely consistent with the experimental observations and the previous theoretical results by approximate methods.

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