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**Multipole properties of one-dimensional  $f$ -electron systems** HIROAKI ONISHI, TAKASHI HOTTA, Advanced Science Research Center, Japan Atomic Energy Agency — By exploiting a density matrix renormalization group method, we investigate the ground-state properties of a one-dimensional three-orbital Hubbard model on the basis of a  $j$ - $j$  coupling scheme. Here we focus on the case where the  $f$ -electron number per site is one ( $f^1$ ). When three orbitals are degenerate, we observe a peak at  $q=0$  in  $\Gamma_{3g}$  quadrupole correlation, indicating a ferro-orbital state. Namely,  $f$  electron occupies an itinerant  $\Gamma_8^b$  orbital to gain kinetic energy, while localized  $\Gamma_8^a$  and  $\Gamma_7$  orbitals are found to be almost empty. Furthermore, we find a peak at  $q=\pi$  in  $\Gamma_{4u}$  dipole correlation, suggesting an anti-ferromagnetic state. On the other hand, when we take account of the level splitting between  $\Gamma_8$  and  $\Gamma_7$  orbitals, due to the competition between itinerant and localized orbitals, we observe a characteristic change of  $\Gamma_{3g}$  quadrupole correlation into an incommensurate structure in accordance with the change of the orbital structure. We will also discuss a key role of multipole degrees of freedom in  $f^2$ - and  $f^3$ -electron systems.

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