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**Pressure dependence of exchange interactions and Neel temperature in transition metal oxides** JULIUS OJWANG, RONALD COHEN, LUKE SHULENBURGER, Carnegie Institution of Washington, XIANGANG WAN, Nanjing University, SERJEY SAVRASOV, UC Davis Physics Department — We perform first-principles linear response computations within LDA+U and GGA+U to systematically investigate the pressure dependence of magnetic exchange interactions for archetypal transition metal oxides (TMOs): MnO, FeO, CoO, and NiO. We obtain the Neel temperatures ( $T_N$ ) using Monte Carlo simulations. We find that the magnitude of the next nearest neighbor coupling constant,  $J_2$ , which dominates  $T_N$ , increases with increasing pressure, while the nearest neighbor,  $J_1$ , behaves differently for the four TMOs. The variation of  $T_N$  with pressure is influenced by interplay between the nearest and next nearest neighbor exchange coupling constants. Our results are found to be in agreement in general with most experiments [1-3].

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