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Strong correlations and the search for high-Tc superconductivity in chromium pnictides and chalcogenides¹ ELENA BASCONES, MARIA JOSÉ CALDERÓN, JOSE MARIA PIZARRO, Instituto de Ciencia de Materiales de Madrid (ICMM-CSIC), JIAN LIU, Instituto de Ciencia de Materiales de Madrid (ICMM-CSIC) and Shadong University, MARIA DEL CARMEN MUNOZ, Instituto de Ciencia de Materiales de Madrid (ICMM-CSIC) — Undoped iron superconductors accommodate n = 6 electrons in five d-orbitals. Experimental and theoretical evidence shows that the strength of correlations increases with hole-doping, as the electronic filling approaches half-filling with n = 5 electrons. This evidence delineates a scenario in which the parent compound of iron superconductors is the half-filled system, in analogy to cuprate superconductors. In cuprates the superconductivity can be induced upon electron or hole doping. In this work we propose to search for high-Tc superconductivity and strong correlations in chromium pnictides and chalcogenides with n < 5 electrons. By means of ab-initio, slave spin and multi-orbital RPA calculations we analyse the strength of the correlations and the superconducting and magnetic instabilities in these systems with main focus on LaCrAsO. We find that electron-doped LaCrAsO is a strongly correlated system with competing magnetic interactions, being (π, π) antiferromagnetism and nodal d-wave pairing the most plausible magnetic and superconducting instabilities, respectively.

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