

# Superconductivity seen from STS Studies of Vortex Core states in $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CaCu}_2\text{O}_x$ and $\text{YNi}_2\text{B}_2\text{C}$

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In type-II superconductors under magnetic field, quasi-particles are generated due to de-pairing of Cooper pairs and confined in the vortex core to form the bound states, reflecting symmetry of the superconducting order parameter and a shape of the Fermi surface. They are able to be observed in real space by using scanning tunneling spectroscopy. We have developed a high magnetic field (15 T)/ low temperature (down to 0.18 K) scanning tunneling microscope with high spatial resolution (50pm) and high spatial stability (0.1nm xy-drift/day). Vortex core states in  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CaCu}_2\text{O}_x$  and  $\text{YNi}_2\text{B}_2\text{C}$  were measured by STS precisely. In a clean sample of  $\text{YNi}_2\text{B}_2\text{C}$ , highly anisotropic BCS superconductor probably with nodes in  $\Delta(\mathbf{k})$ , quantum limiting behaviors have been observed; they can be interpreted by BCS theory based on the realistic band structure. In  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CaCu}_2\text{O}_x$  electronic states of the vortex core have not been understood microscopically at all. We have found that they exhibit the stripe structure with  $4a_0$  width extending along the Cu-O bonding direction. It has also been studied how the electronic inhomogeneity of  $\Delta(\mathbf{r})$  and the local 1D short-range order existing in  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CaCu}_2\text{O}_x$  affect vortex core electronic states.