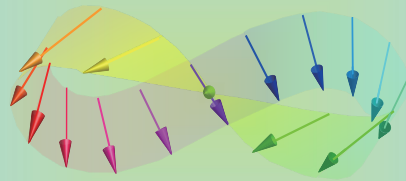


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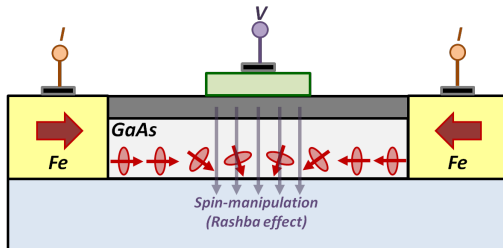


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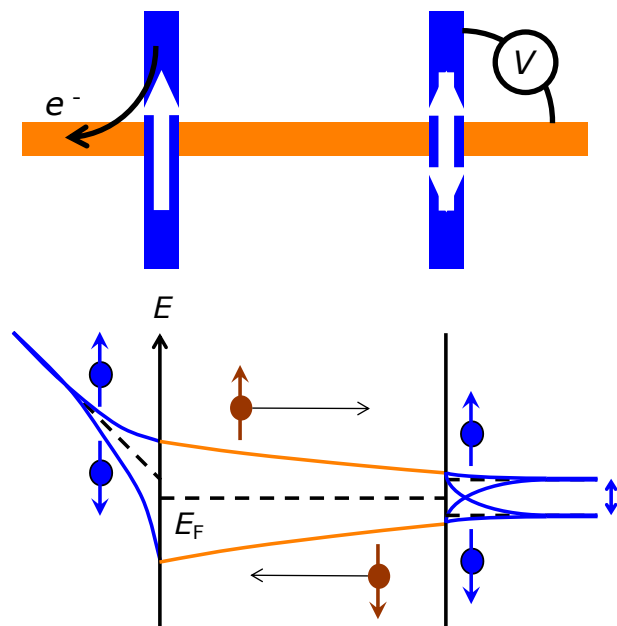


Quick Review over the Last Lecture

Spin-polarised transistor : *



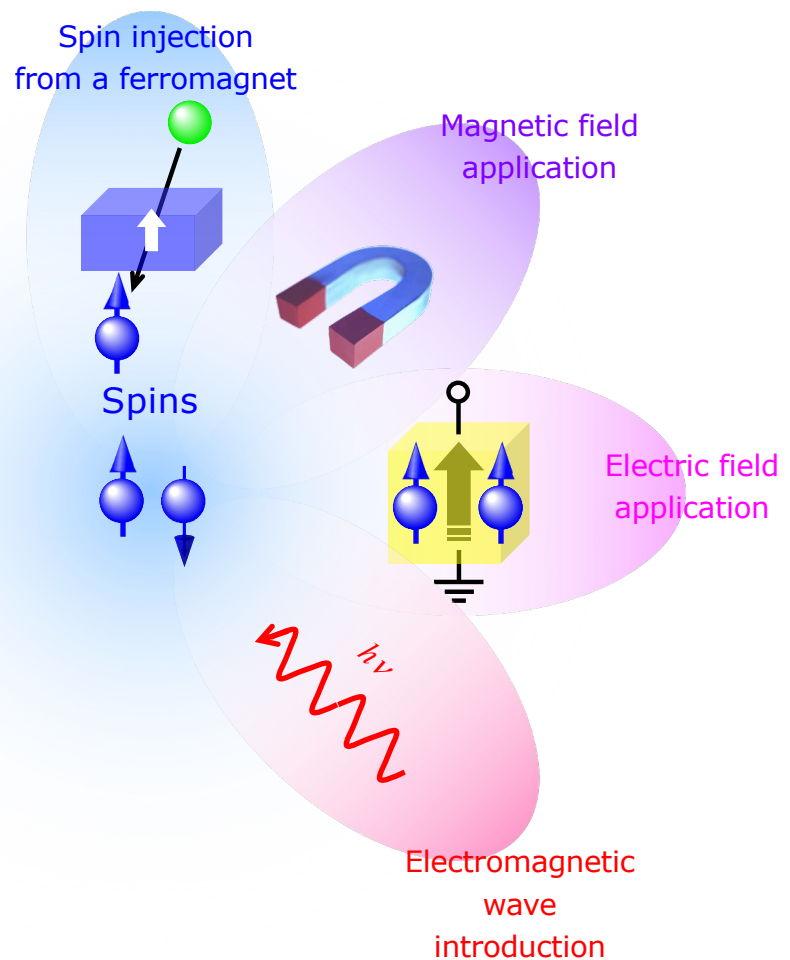
Lateral spin-valve : *



* S. Datta and S. Das, *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **56**, 665 (1990).

17 Spin-Orbit Devices

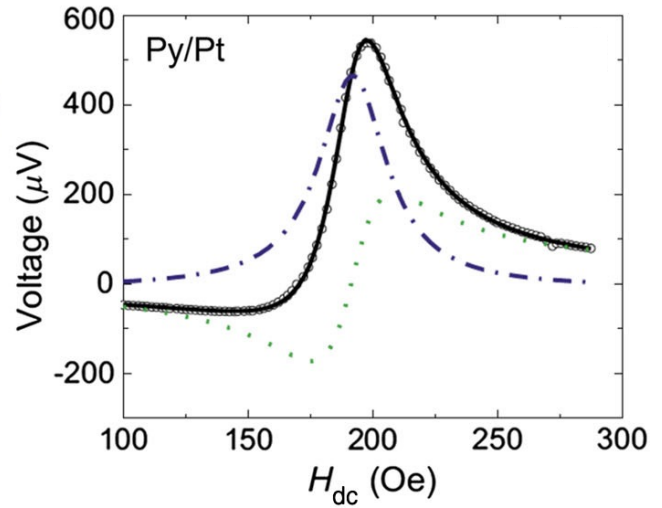
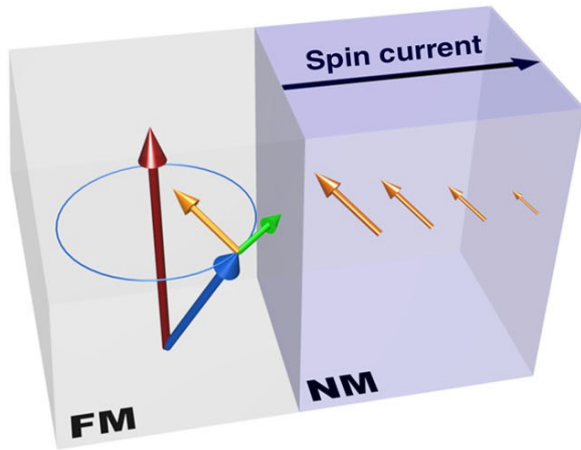
- Microwave introduction
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 - Spin-orbit interactions
- Tunnelling anisotropic magnetoresistance
 - Topological insulators





Microwave-Induced Spin Currents

Spin-polarised currents can be introduced by electromagnetic wave : *

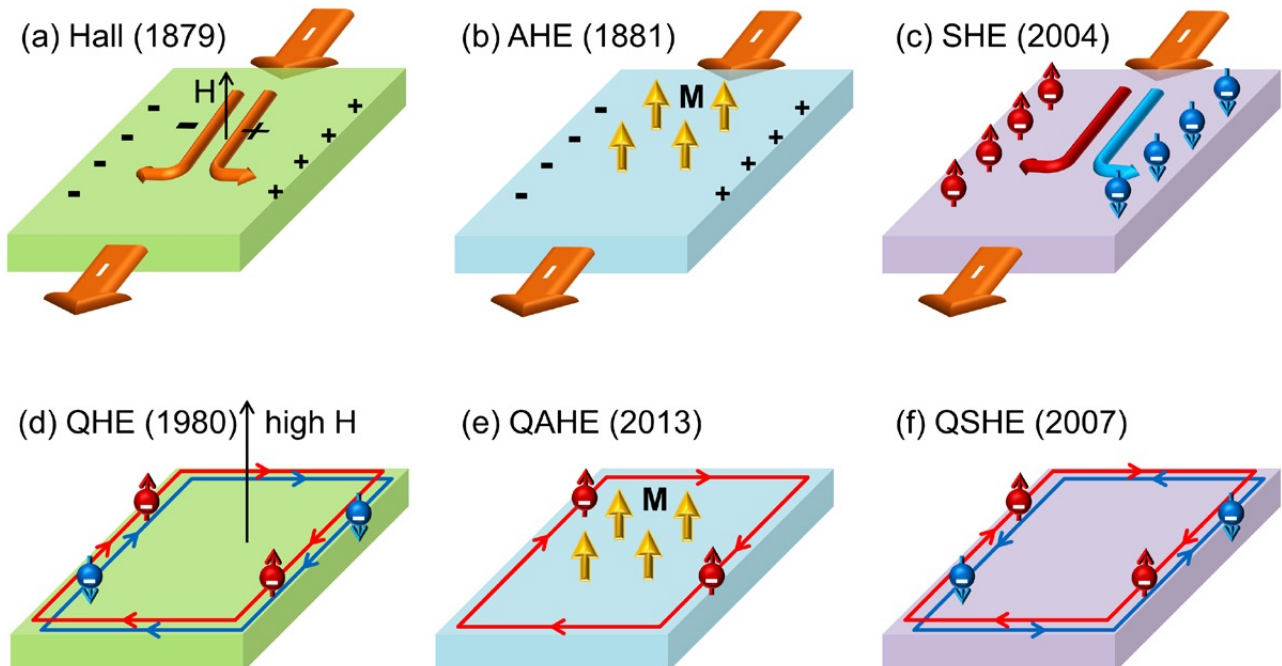


* O. Mosendz *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* **82**, 214403 (2010);
A. Hoffmann and S. Bader, *Phys. Rev. Appl.* **4**, 047001 (2015).



Spin Hall Effect

Spin Hall / inverse spin Hall / anomalous spin Hall effects etc. : *

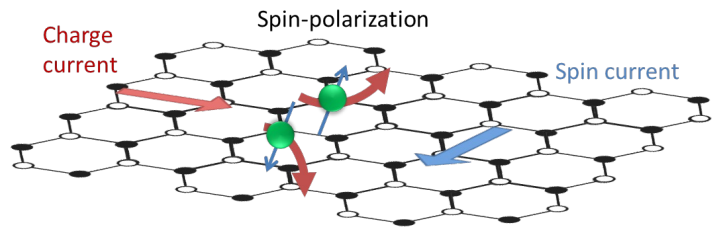
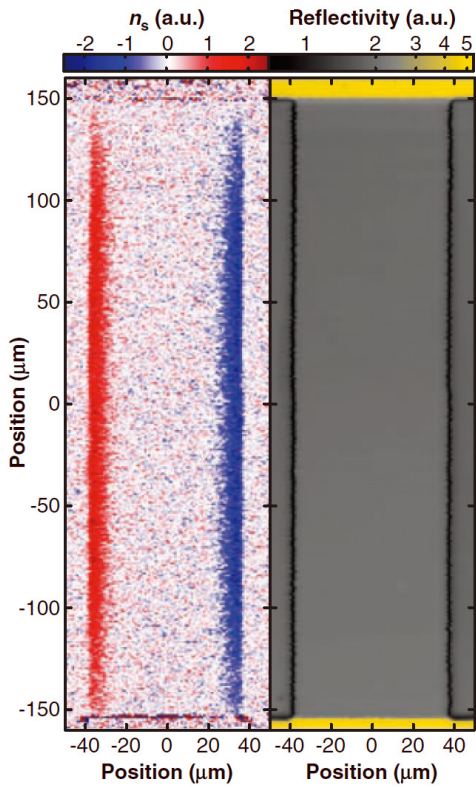


* C.-Z. Chang and M. Li, *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter* **28**, 123002 (2016).



Spin Hall Effect in GaAs

MOKE detection of spins generated by the spin Hall effect : *



$$\langle \sigma \rangle = \theta_{SH} \times \langle \mathbf{k} \rangle$$

Hamiltonian can be determined as

$$H = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + \lambda_{SO} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \mathbf{k})$$

\hbar : Planck constant / 2π

k : wave vector

m : electron mass

λ_{SO} : spin-orbit coupling constant

$\boldsymbol{\sigma}$: spin matrix

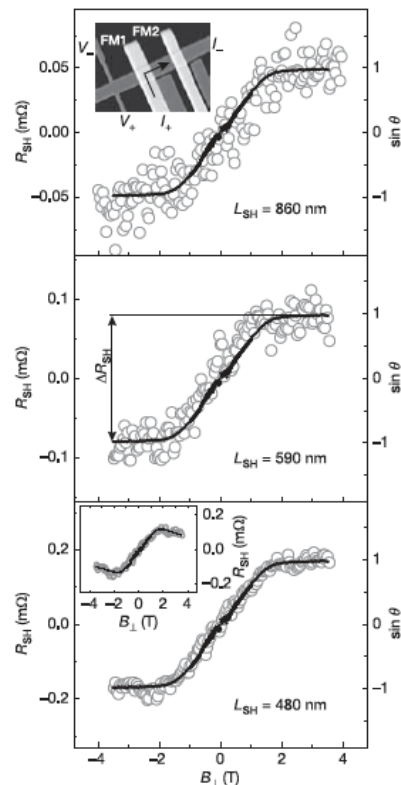
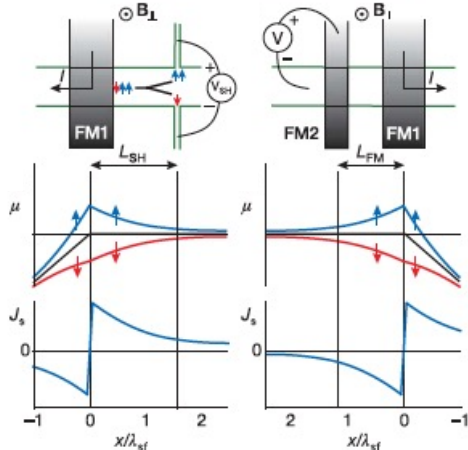
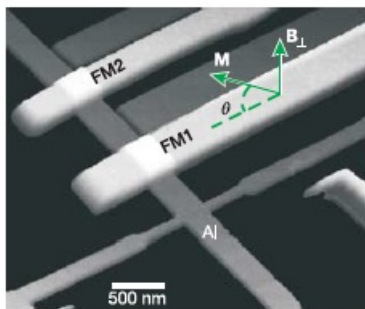
* Y. K. Kato et al., *Science* **306**, 1910 (2004);

** <http://www.wikipedia.org/>



Lateral Spin-Valve with the Spin Hall Effect

Co_{0.8}Fe_{0.2} / Al₂O₃ / Al nanowires : *

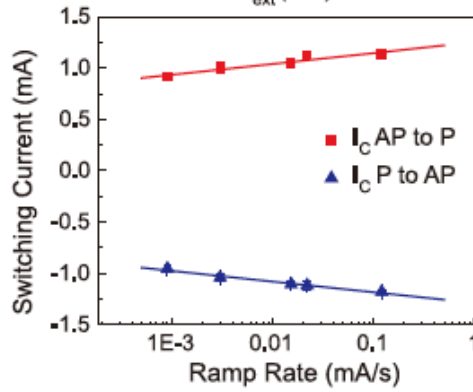
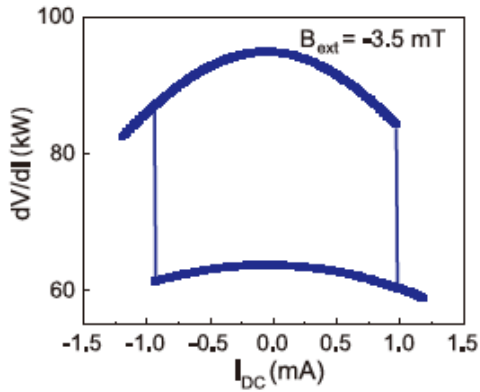
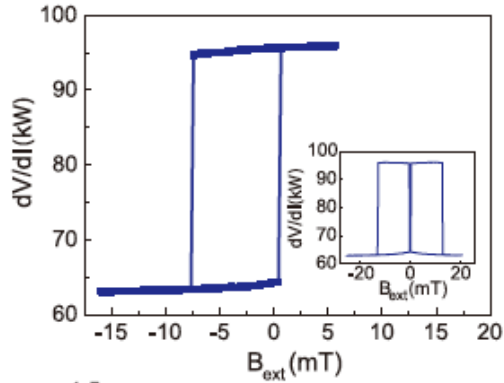
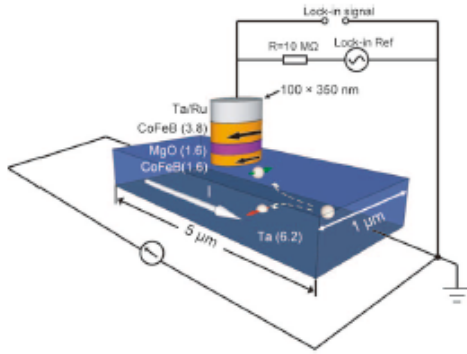


* S. O. Valenzuela and M. Tinkham, *Nature* **442**, 176 (2006).



Magnetisation Reversal by the Spin Hall Effect

CoFeB / MgO / CoFeB nanopillar on Ta : *

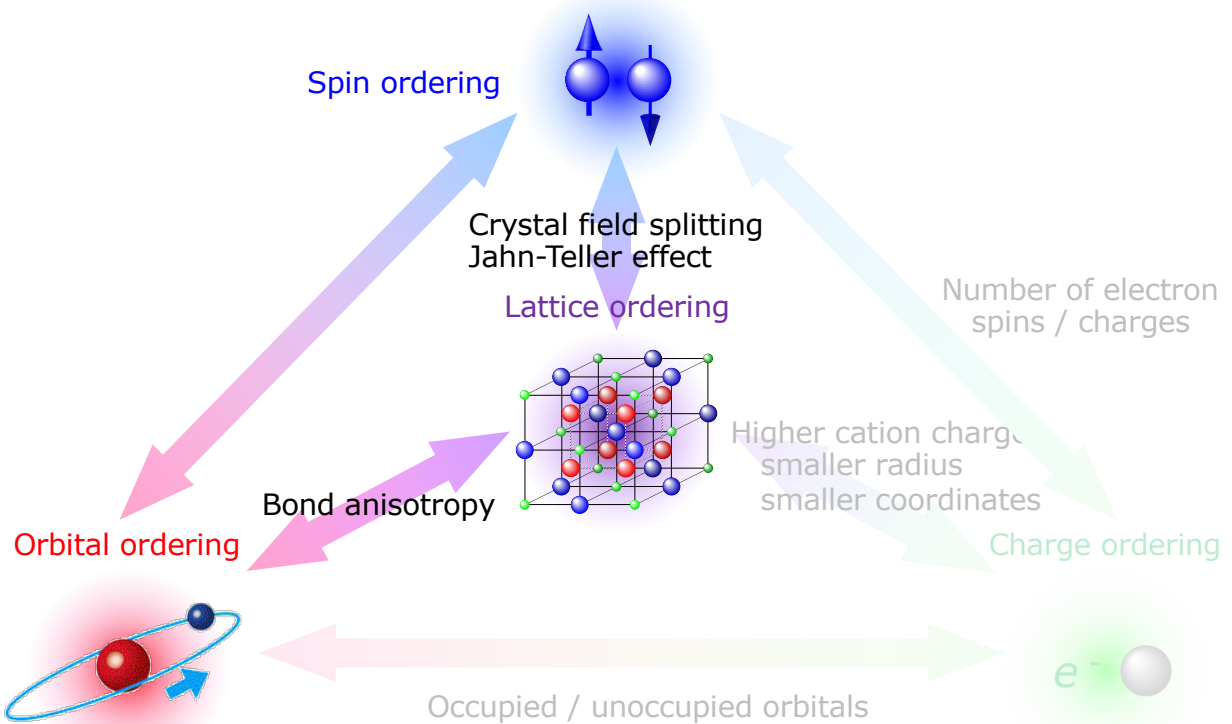


* L. Liu et al., Science 336, 555 (2012).



Spin-Orbit Interaction

In strongly correlated systems : *

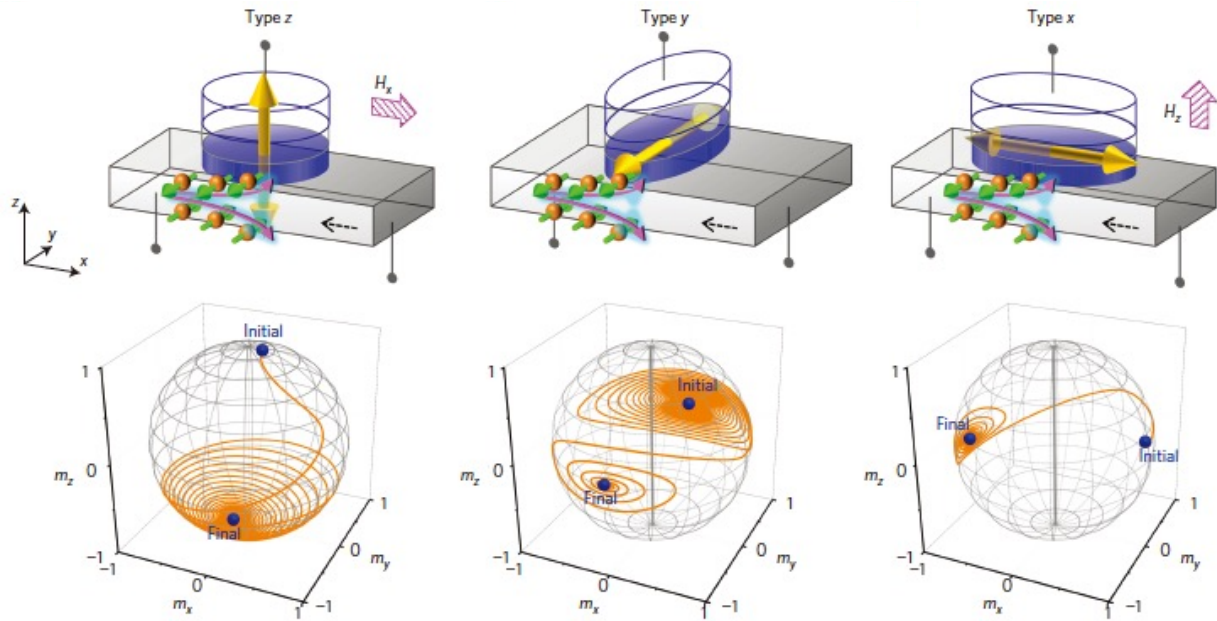


* After <https://www.slideshare.net/algerien1970/electrical-transport-and-magnetic-interactions-in-3d-and-5d-transition-metal-oxides>.



Spin-Orbit Torque for MRAM

Switching current can be reduced by 1 / 20 : *



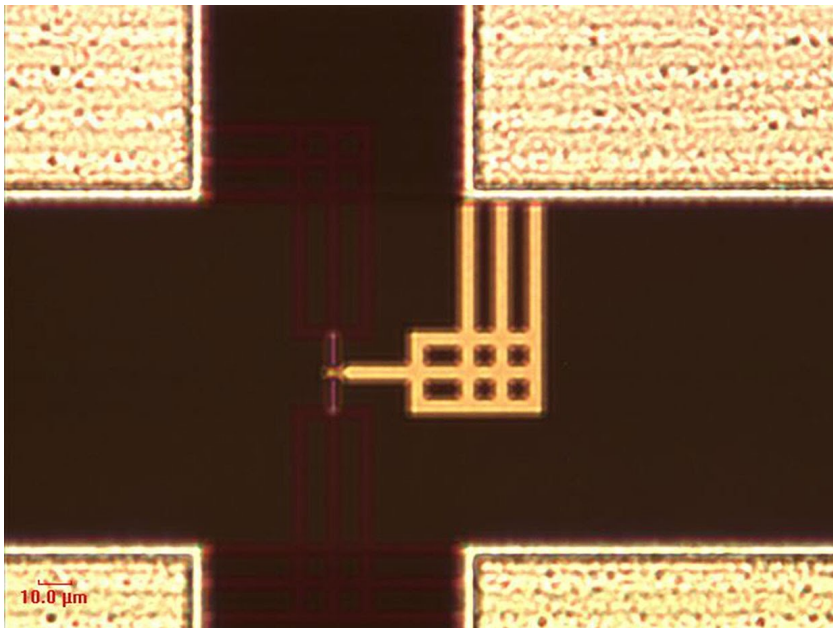
	Type z	Type y	Type x
$\mu_0 H_K^{\text{eff}}$ (mT)	260 ± 10	4.2 ± 0.5	4.04 ± 0.01
$E/k_B T$	42 ± 2	46 ± 4	45.5 ± 0.2
J_C^0 (10^{11} A m^{-2})	20 ± 1	1.0	4.3 ± 0.2
c_J^{th} (mT)	130	1.58	19.95
$\theta_{\text{SOT}}^{\text{eff}}$	-0.25 ± 0.02	-0.08	-0.22 ± 0.01

* S. Fukami et al., *Nat. Nanotechnol.* **11**, 621 (2016).



Spin-Orbit Torque for MRAM

Switching speed can be reduced by 1 / 25 : *



The switching speed of the SOT-MRAM reached **210 picoseconds** while the STT-MRAM, created on the same wafer, clocked a speed of 5 nanoseconds.

* <https://spectrum-ieee-org.cdn.ampproject.org/c/s/spectrum.ieee.org/nanoclast/computing/hardware/sotmram-escapes-from-the-lab.amp.html>



Spin-Orbit Torque MRAM

As a SRAM replacement, MRAM needs faster operation, lower power consumption and longer life : *

Generation	Type	Recording method	Writing method	Writing speed [ns]	Writing energy [fJ/bit]	Writing life time	Fabrication rule [nm]	Recording capacity [Mbit]	Cell configuration	Cell size [F ²]
1st	Field MRAM	In-plane magnetisation	Magnetic field				90 ~ 130	< 16		
2nd	STT-MRAM	In-plane magnetisation	Spin-transfer torque (STT)				40 ~ 65	< 256		
3rd	pSTT-MRAM	Perpendicular magnetisation	STT	< 10	~ a few 100	10 ¹²	16 ~ 28	> 256	2 transistors (T) + 2 MTJ	~ 80
4th	SOT-MRAM	Perpendicular magnetisation	Spin-orbit torque		~ 10		16 ~ 28	> 256	2T + 1MTJ	~ 40
5th?	VCM	Perpendicular magnetisation	Voltage-controlled magnetic anisotropy (VCMA)		~ 3		16 ~ 28	> 256	2T + ~ 10MTJ	4 ~ 8

* <https://pc.watch.impress.co.jp/docs/column/semicon/1145577.html>



Spin-Orbit Torque MRAM

Writing power can be reduced by as compared with STT : *

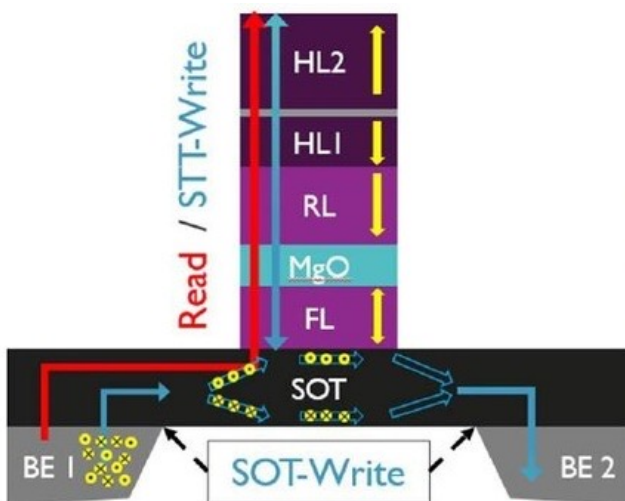


Fig. 1: Schematic of MTJ stack with top-pinned SAF design and following composition:

W(SOT) / CoFeB(FL) / MgO (10 $\Omega \cdot \mu\text{m}^2$) / CoFeB(RL) / SAF (HL1-HL2).

Compared to STT, SOT writing is decoupled from TMR reading using 3 terminal geometry, which allows larger cell endurance. SOT converts charge into spin current, perpendicular to the FL, which enables ultra-fast switching.

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Spin-Orbit Torque MRAM towards Production



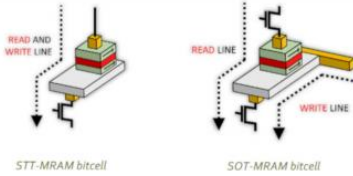
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SOT-MRAM developer Antaios raised \$11 million from VCs and Applied Ventures, to accelerate its next-generation memory development and develop new strategic partnerships.

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SOT-MRAM devices feature switching of the free magnetic layer done by injecting an in-plane current in an adjacent SOT layer, unlike STT-MRAM where the current is injected perpendicularly into the magnetic tunnel junction and the read and write operation is performed through the same path.

Antaios, established in 2017 in France, is developing SOT-MRAM technology based on research performed at SPINTEC. Other groups around the world are also developing SOT-MRAM technologies, including IMEC, ITRI, NTU and others.

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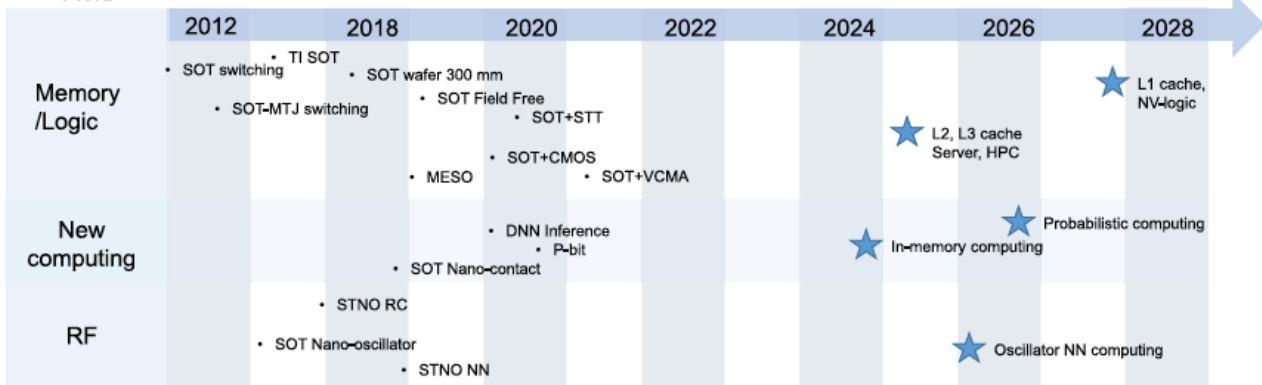
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MRAM Roadmap

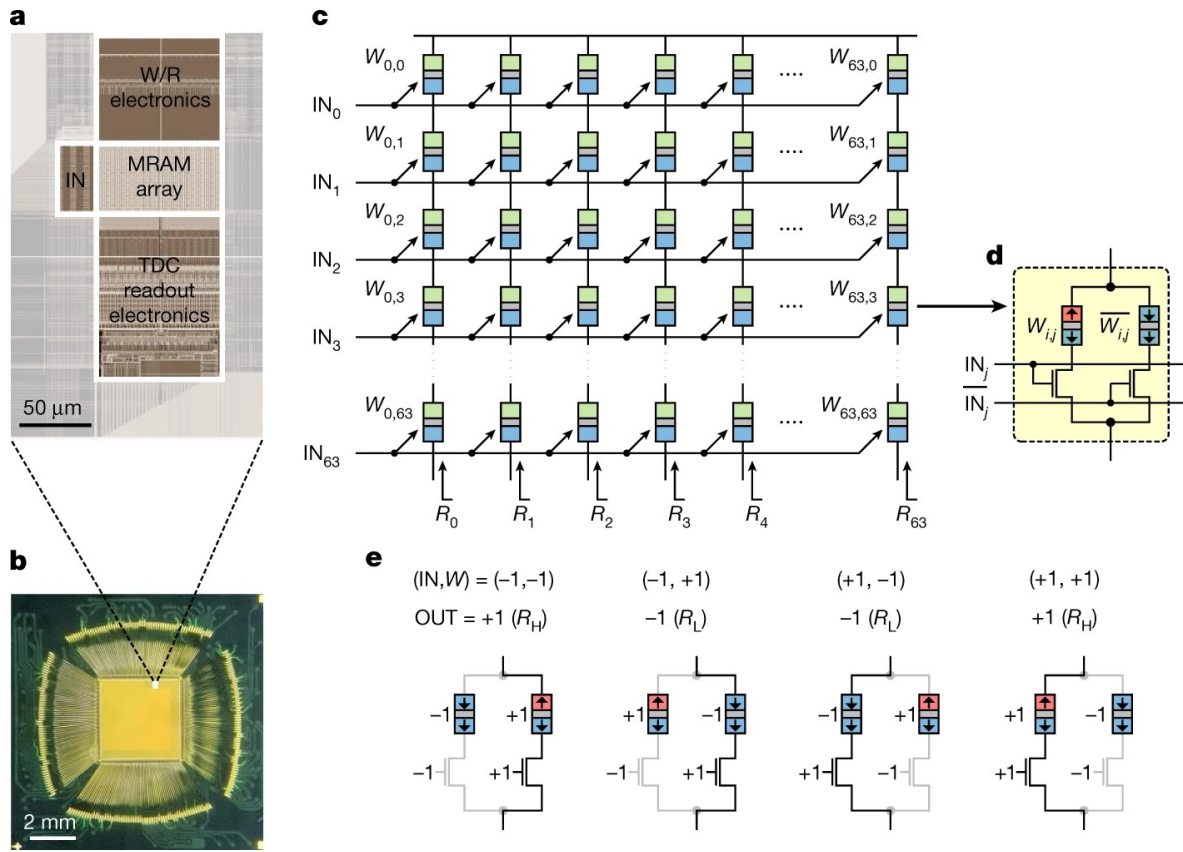
SOT Technology Field



* Q. Shao et al., IEEE Trans. Magn. 57, 800439 (2021).



In MRAM Computation



* S. Jung et al., Nature 601, 211 (2022).



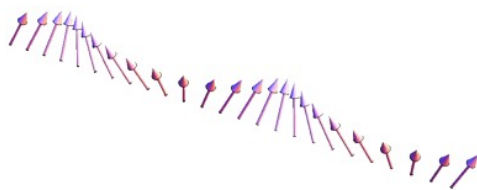
Spin Waves

Spin wave (magnon) : *

The magnon flow can be determined as

$$\vec{J}_m = \hbar \sum_k \vec{v}_k \vec{n}_k,$$

where \vec{v}_k is the group velocity of the spin wave ($=\partial\omega_k/\partial\vec{k}$) and n_k is the distribution function of the spin wave.

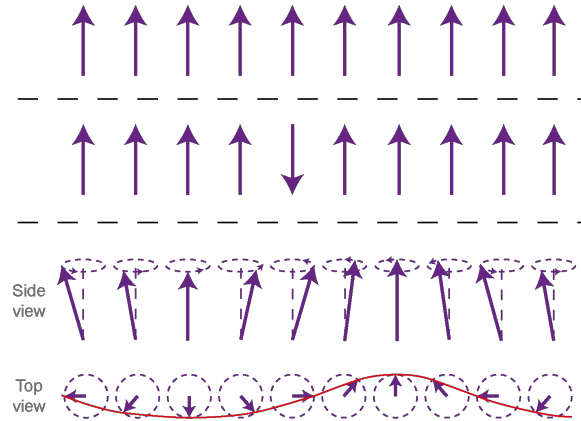


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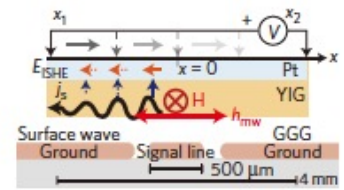
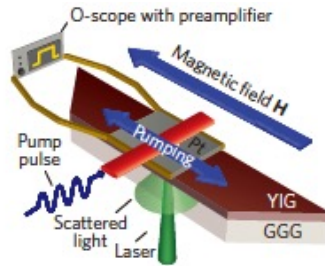
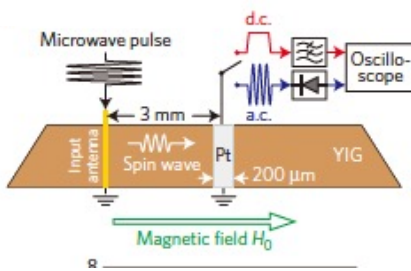


Spin Wave

Spin wave (magnon) : *



Magnon introduction : *

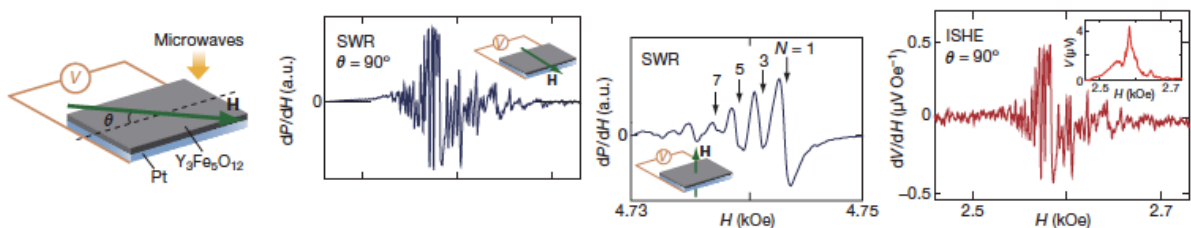
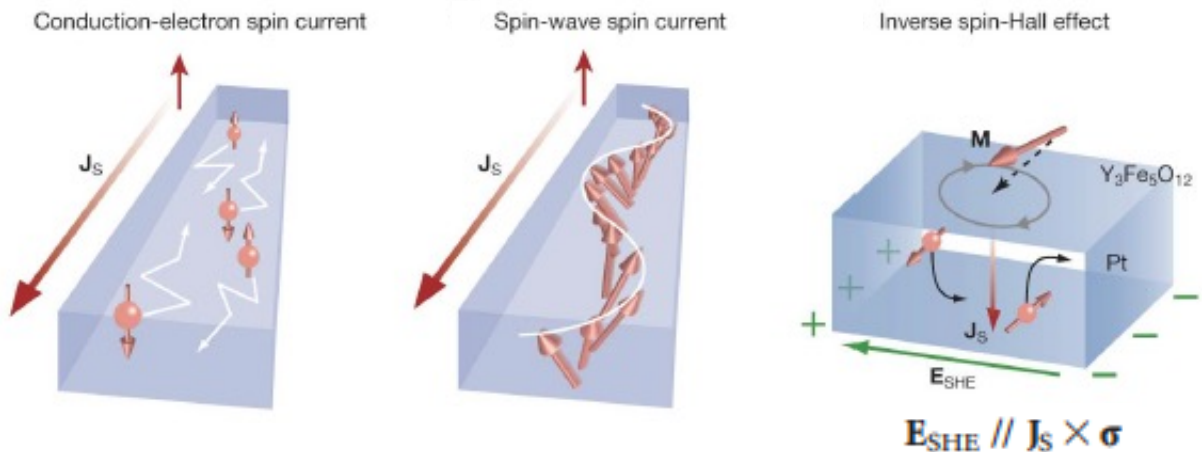


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Microwave-Induced Spin Currents

Spin-polarised currents can be introduced by electromagnetic wave : *

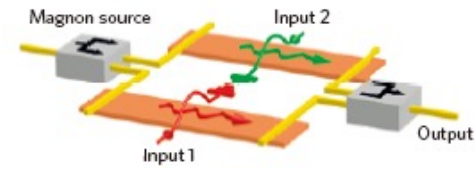


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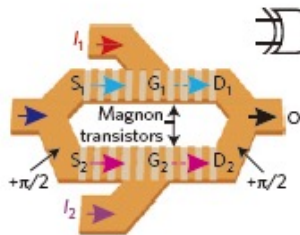
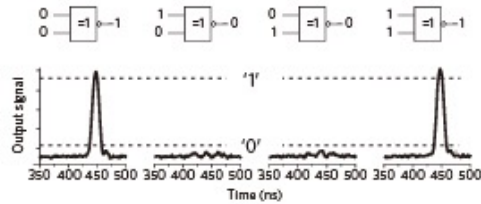
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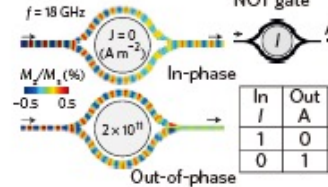
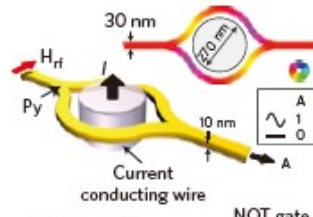
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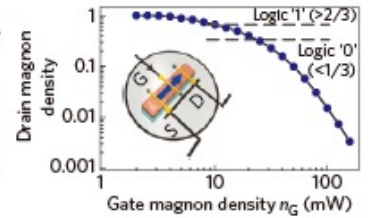
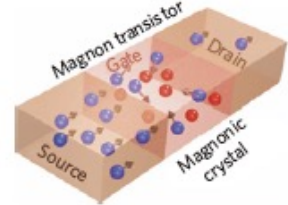
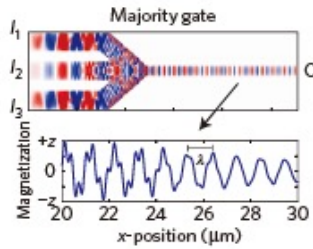
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0	1	1
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1	1	0



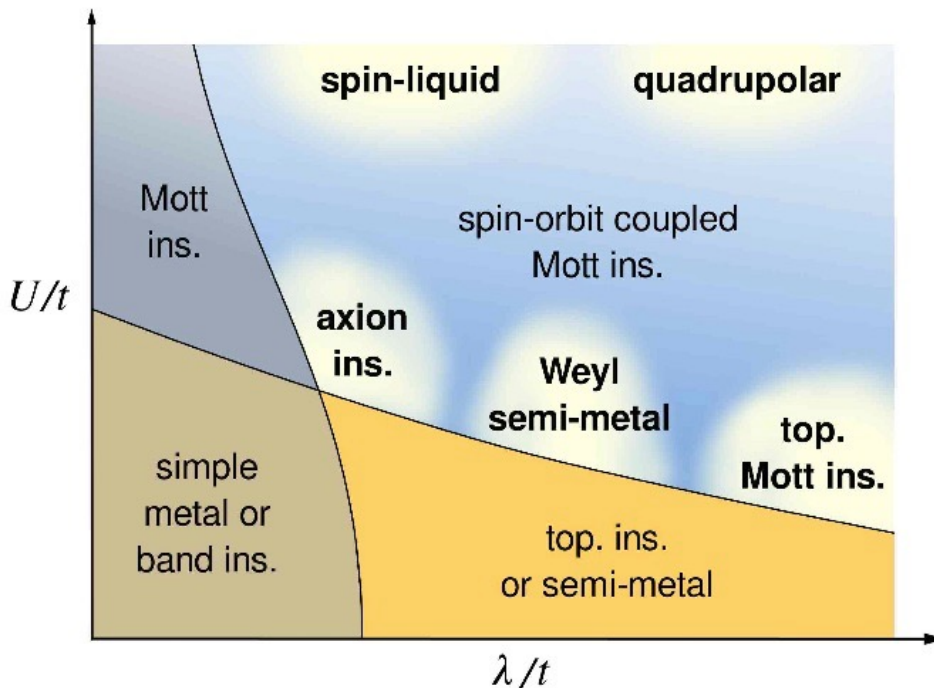
In	Out
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I_1	I_2	$I_3 = I_C$	O
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Spin-Orbit Coupling Energy

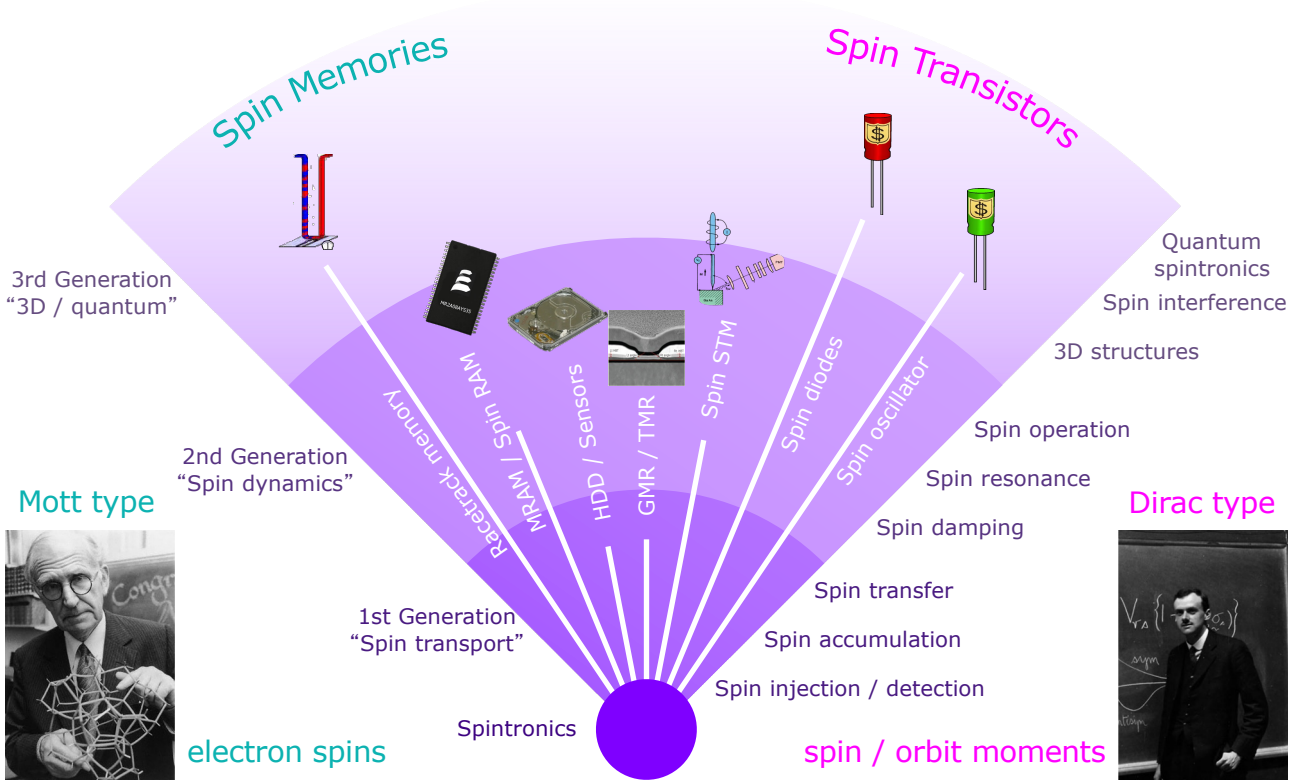


* <http://condensedconcepts.blogspot.co.uk/2013/05/mott-physics-with-spin-orbit-coupling.html>.



Nano-Spintronic Devices

Development of nano-spintronic devices : *



* A. Hirohata and K. Takanashi, *J. Phys. D: Appl. Phys.* **47**, 1930001 (2014).



Two Categories for Spintronic Devices

Mott-type

Dirac-type

Electron (hole) spins

GMR / TMR

HDD / Sensors

MRAM / Spin RAM

Racetrack memory

Spin and orbital moments

TAMR

Spin Hall

Skyrmions

Spin transistor

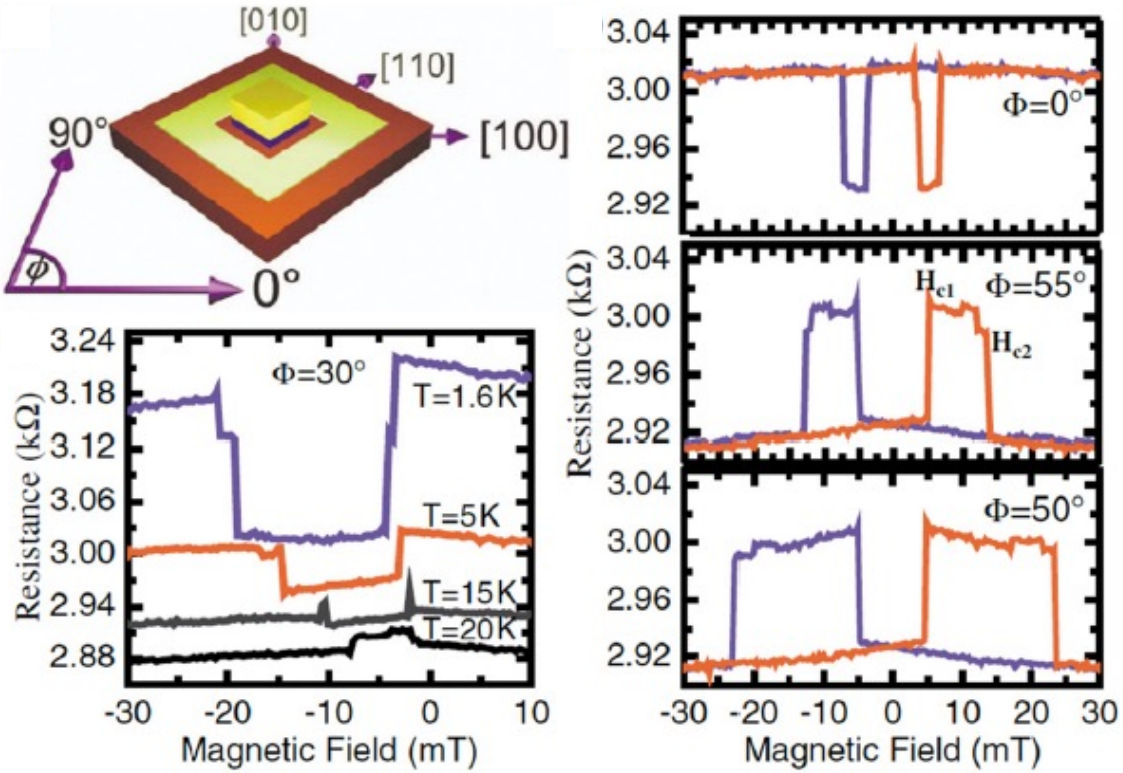
Spin LED

* After J. Sinova and I. Zutic, *Nature Mater.* **11**, 368 (2012).



Tunnelling Anisotropic Magnetoresistance

70 nm GaMnAs / GaAs (001) : *

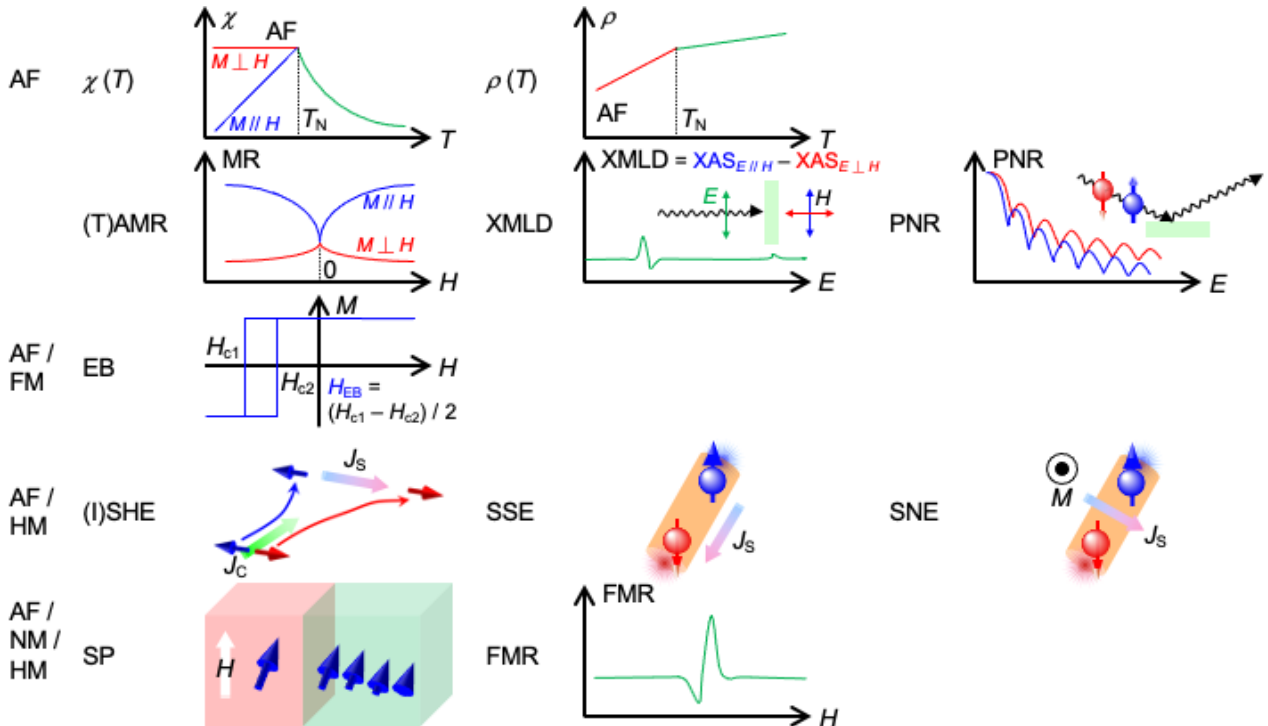


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Antiferromagnetic Spintronics

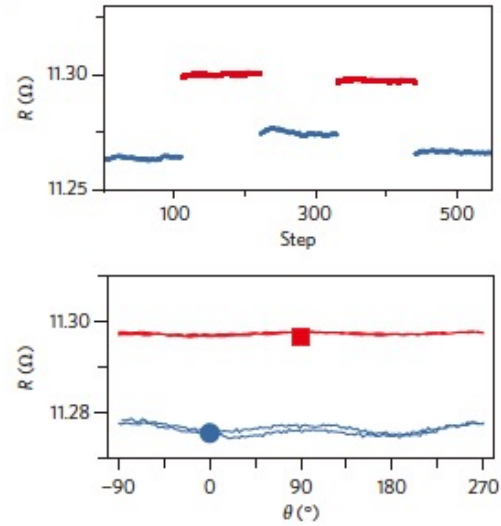
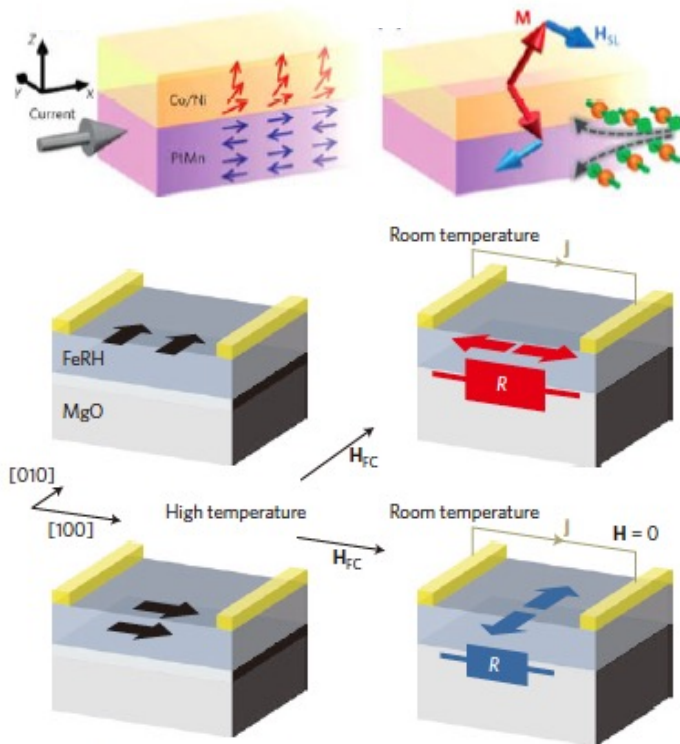
A series of applications have been demonstrated using antiferromagnets : *





Antiferromagnetic Spintronics

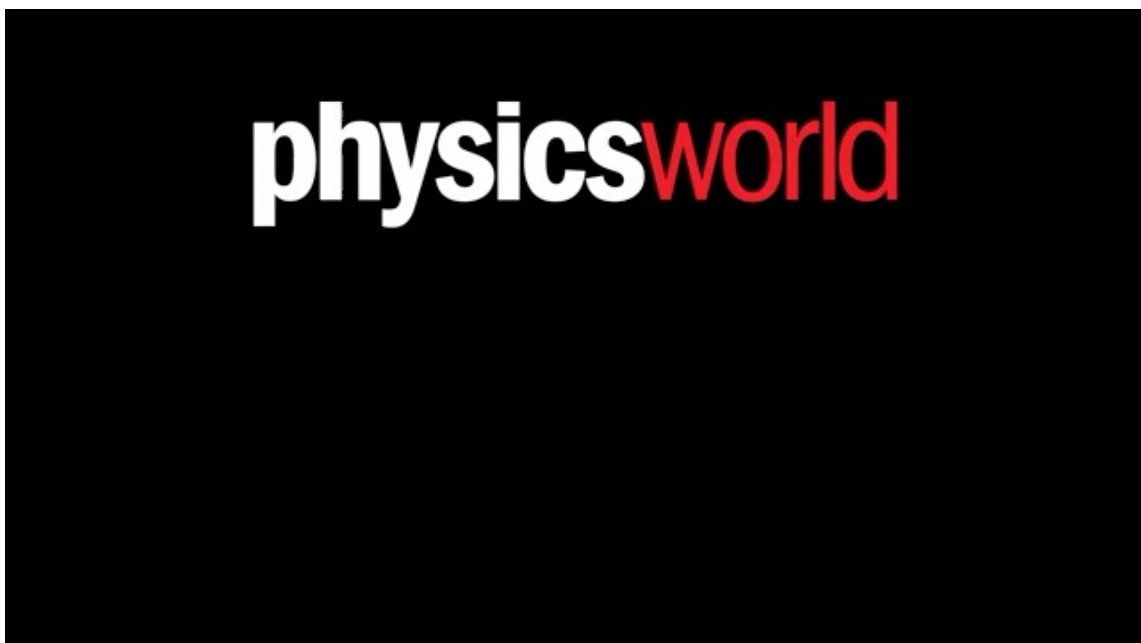
Similar spin-current generation can be achieved with an antiferromagnet : *



* O. Gomonay et al., *Phys. Status Solidi* **11**, 1700022 (2017);
** T. Jungwirth et al., *Nature Nanotechnol.* **11**, 231 (2016).



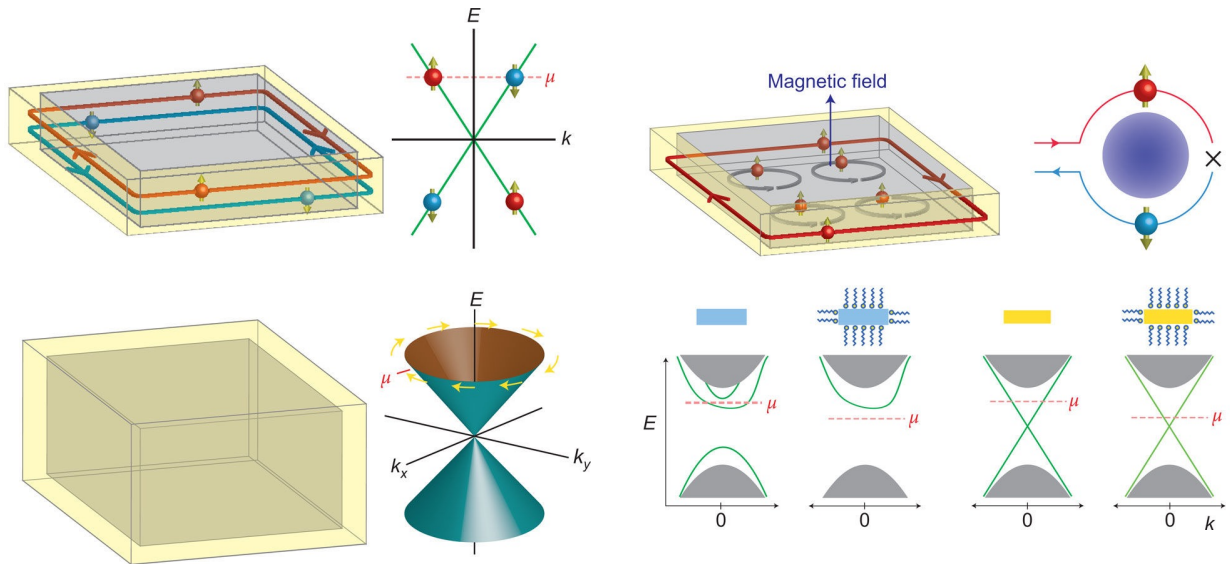
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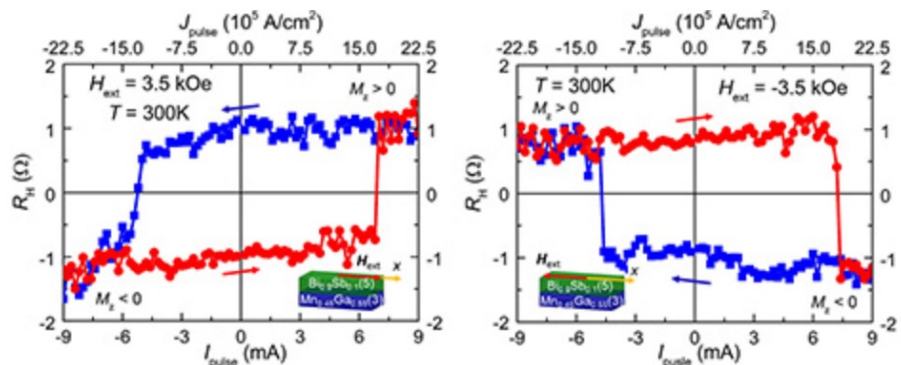
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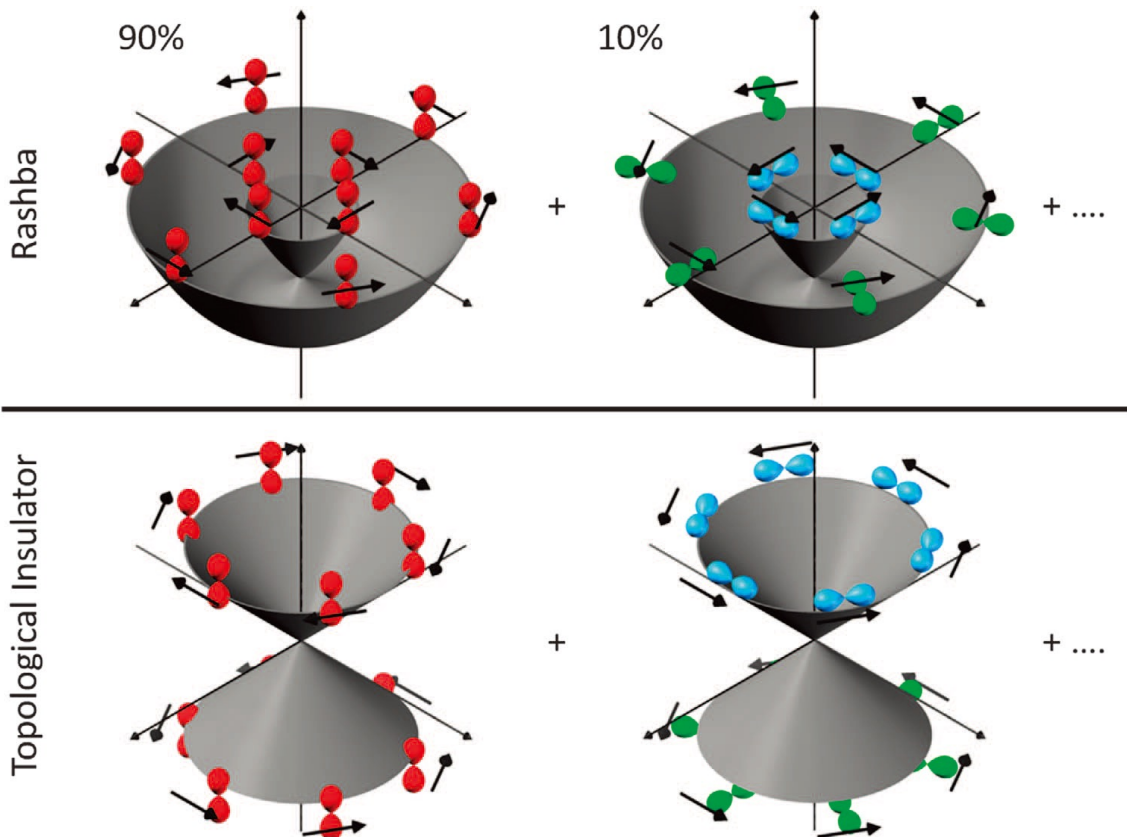
Spin-Hall measurements using topological insulators : *

Spin-Hall Materials	θ_{SH}	$\sigma(\Omega^{-1}m^{-1})$	$\sigma_{SH}(\frac{\hbar}{2e} \Omega^{-1}m^{-1})$	
Heavy metals	Ta (Science '12)	0.15(Δ)	5.2×10^5 (\odot)	0.8×10^5
	Pt (PRL '12)	0.08(\times)	4.2×10^6 (\odot)	3.4×10^5
	W (APL '12)	0.4(Δ)	4.7×10^5 (\odot)	1.9×10^5
Topological insulators	Bi_3Se_2 (Nature '14)	2~3.5(\circ)	5.5×10^4 (Δ)	$1.1-2.0 \times 10^5$
	BiSb (Nature Mat.'18)	52(\odot)	2.5×10^5 (\odot)	1.3×10^7



* N. H. D. Khang et al., *Nat. Mater.* **17**, 808 (2019).

Spin Coupled to In-Plane Orbit

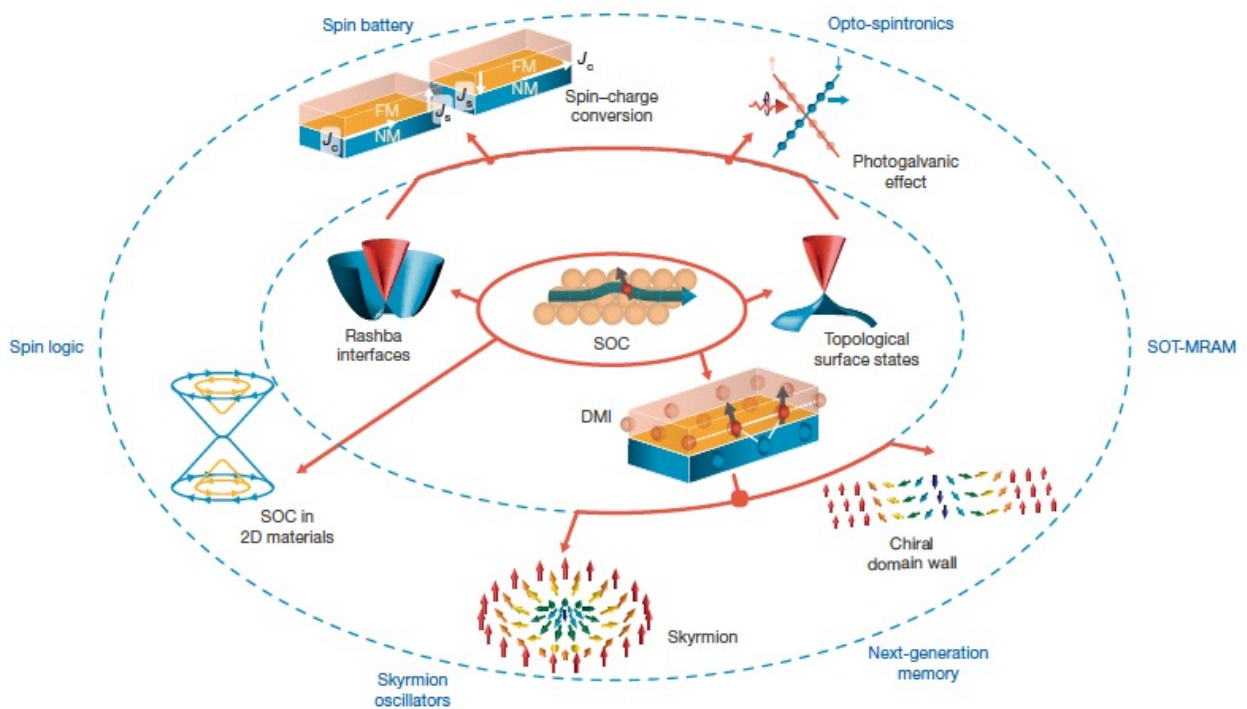


* J. A. Waugh *et al.*, *npj Quantum Mater.* 1, 16025 (2016).

Phenomena with the Spin-Orbit Coupling



Spin-orbitronics : *



* A. Soumyanarayanan *et al.*, *Nature* 539, 509 (2016).