

# Charge-Spin Coupling in Superconducting Structures: Non-dissipative Magnetoelectric Effects

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# Direct and inverse spin Hall effect

Coupling of charge and spin currents mediated by SOC

Direct SHE: “primary” charge current  $j_k$  generates spin current  $J_k^a$

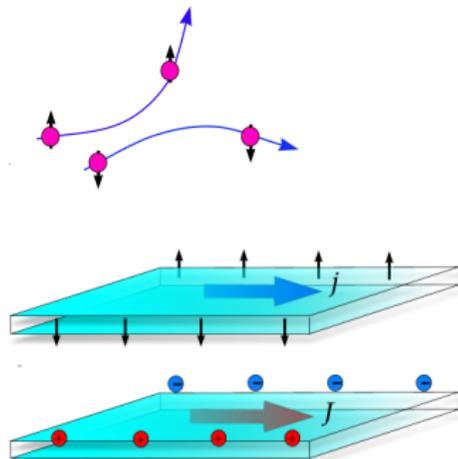
Inverse SHE: “primary” spin current  $J_k^a$  generates charge current  $j_k$

$$J_i^a = \theta_{ik}^a j_k, \quad j_i = \theta_{ik}^a J_k^a$$

$$\theta_{ik}^a = -\theta_{ki}^a$$

For cubic materials  $\theta_{ik}^a = \theta \varepsilon_{ika}$

$\theta$  – spin Hall angle



# Bulk magnetoelectric effects

**Coupling between bulk spin polarization and electric current**  
 breaking of inversion symmetry (gyrotropy) is required

**Edelstein effect: Spin induced by electric field**

$$S^a(\omega) = \sigma_k^a(\omega) E_k(\omega)$$

$\sigma_k^a$  – Edelstein conductivity

$E_k = i\omega A_k \Rightarrow \sigma_k^a(\omega)$  is related to the spin-current Kubo correlator  $\chi_k^a(\omega)$

$$\sigma_k^a(\omega) = \frac{1}{i\omega} \langle\langle \hat{S}^a; \hat{j}_k \rangle\rangle_\omega = \frac{1}{i\omega} \chi_k^a(\omega)$$

Gauge invariance implies  $\chi_k^a(\omega) \sim \omega$  at  $\omega \rightarrow 0$  for finite  $\sigma_k^a(0)$

**Inverse Edelstein (spin-galvanic) effect**

$$j_k = \chi_k^a(\omega) \mu_B B^a = \sigma_k^a \left[ \mu_B \dot{B}^a \right]$$

Induced charge current  $\propto$  rate of spin generation

# Spin diffusion and spin torque in the presence of SOC

Intrinsic SOC:  $\hat{H}_{\text{so}} = \frac{1}{2}\Omega^a(\mathbf{p})\sigma^a$ ,  $\Omega^a(-\mathbf{p}) = -\Omega^a(\mathbf{p})$

Spins of *moving* electrons precess with  $\mathbf{p}$ -dependent angular velocity.  
Precession of moving elementary spins lead to an average torque  $\mathcal{T}^a$

Spin is not conserved in the presence of SOC

$$\partial_t S^a - D\nabla^2 S^a = \mathcal{T}^a$$

Gradient expansion of the spin torque:

$$\mathcal{T}^a = -\Gamma^{ab} S^b + P_k^{ab} \partial_k S^b + C_k^a \partial_k n$$

$\Gamma^{ab}$  – DP spin relaxation tensor (random motion of elementary spins)

$P_k^{ab} = -P_k^{ba}$  – spin precession tensor (diffusive motion of spins)

$C_k^a$  – “spin Hall torque” (motion of spins generated by the charge flow)

# Coupled spin-charge diffusion in normal conductors

## Stationary spin-charge diffusion equations

$$D\nabla^2 S^a - \Gamma^{ab} S^b + P_k^{ab} \partial_k S^b + C_k^a \partial_k n = 0$$

$$D\nabla^2 n + C_k^a \partial_k S^a = 0$$

I. Spin-charge coupling  $C_k^a$  leads to the Edelstein effect:

$$j_k = -D\partial_k n \Rightarrow S^a = (\hat{\Gamma}^{-1})^{ab} C_k^a \partial_k n \Rightarrow \sigma_k^a = \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mu} (\hat{\Gamma}^{-1})^{ab} C_k^a$$

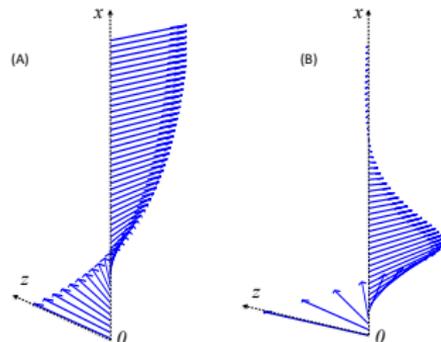
II.  $P_k^{ab} \neq 0$  and/or anisotropy of  $\Gamma^{ab}$  generate “spin helix”:

$$D\partial_x^2 S^a + P_x^{ab} \partial_x S^b - \Gamma^{ab} S^b = 0$$

$$\mathbf{S}(x=0) = \hat{\mathbf{z}} S_0^z$$

(A)  $\hat{H}_{\text{SO}} = p_z(\alpha\sigma^x + \beta\sigma^y)$

(B)  $\hat{H}_{\text{SO}} = \alpha\mathbf{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$



# What we can expect in superconducting systems

## I. Non-dissipative Edelstein/spin-galvanic effect

The supercurrent  $\mathbf{j} = n_s \mathbf{v}_s$  with the superfluid velocity  $\mathbf{v}_s \sim \nabla\varphi - e\mathbf{A}$

$\Rightarrow$  gauge invariance does not forbid a static  $\chi_k^a = \langle\langle \hat{S}^a; \hat{j}_k \rangle\rangle_{\omega=0}$

$$S^a = \chi_k^a \partial_k \varphi, \quad j_k = e \chi_k^a h^a$$

$$F_L = h^a \chi_k^a (\partial_k \varphi - e A_k) = \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{v}_s - \text{Lifshitz invariant}$$

## II. Charge-Spin conversion $\mapsto$ Singlet-Triplet conversion

- SHE  $\mapsto$  accumulation of triplet condensate at the sample edges
- “Spin Helix”  $\mapsto$  rotation of the triplet and LRTC in S/F structures

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# Green functions in superconductors

## Superconductivity: Pair correlations between t-conjugated states

$$\underbrace{iG_{\alpha\beta}(1, 2) = \langle T\{\psi_{\alpha}(1)\psi_{\beta}^{\dagger}(2)\} \rangle}_{\text{normal Green function}}, \quad \underbrace{iF_{\alpha\beta}(1, 2) = \langle T\{\psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(1)\psi_{\beta}^{\dagger}(2)\} \rangle}_{\text{anomalous Green function}}$$

## Nambu representation: Matrix in the subspace of t-conjugates states

$$\check{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{G} & \hat{F} \\ -\hat{F} & \hat{G} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \hat{F} = \sigma^y \hat{F}^* \sigma^y - \text{time-reversal operation}$$

## Quasiclassical GF: Dynamics of quasiparticles at the Fermi surface

$$\check{G}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) \approx -i\pi N_F \langle e^{ip_F \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)} \check{g}(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{r}) \rangle_{\mathbf{n}} \quad \check{g} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{g} & \hat{f} \\ \hat{f} & -\hat{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

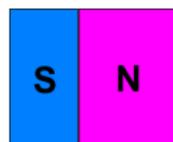
In s-wave BCS superconductor (equilibrium Matsubara formalism):

$$\check{g}_{BCS} = \tau_3 g_{BCS} + \tau_2 f_{BCS}; \quad g_{BCS} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{\omega^2 + |\Delta|^2}} \quad f_{BCS} = \frac{|\Delta| e^{i\varphi}}{\sqrt{\omega^2 + |\Delta|^2}}$$

# Diffusion of the condensate: Usadel equation

Anomalous GF  $\hat{f}(\omega, \mathbf{r})$  describes the spectral condensate density

When “injected” from SC the condensate diffuses into a normal metal



$$\left. \begin{aligned} D\nabla^2 \hat{f} - 2|\omega| \hat{f} &= 0 \\ -\partial_x \hat{f}|_S &= i\gamma f_{BSC} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \hat{f} = i \frac{\gamma}{\kappa_\omega} f_{BSC} e^{-\kappa_\omega x}$$

$$\kappa_\omega^2 = 2|\omega|/D \Rightarrow \text{the penetration depth } \xi_T \sim \sqrt{D/T_c}$$

Supercurrent:  $\mathbf{j} = \pi N_F D \text{Im} \sum_{\omega} \text{tr} \{ \hat{f} \nabla \hat{f} \}$  (cf.  $\mathbf{j} \sim \text{Im} \{ \Psi^* \nabla \Psi \}$ )

## Josephson effect in S/N/S structures



$$\text{Im} \{ f^* \nabla f \} \neq 0 \text{ only if } \varphi_2 - \varphi_1 \neq 0$$

$$j_x = j_c \sin(\varphi_2 - \varphi_1), \quad j_c \sim e^{-L/\xi_T}$$

# Singlet-triplet coupling in a ferromagnet

Spin structure of the condensate function:  $\hat{F}(\omega) = \hat{F}_s(\omega) + \hat{F}_t(\omega)$

$$\hat{F} = F_s(\omega)(|\uparrow\rangle\langle\downarrow| - |\downarrow\rangle\langle\uparrow|) + F_t^z(\omega)(|\uparrow\rangle\langle\downarrow| + |\downarrow\rangle\langle\uparrow|) \\ + F_t^+(\omega)|\uparrow\rangle\langle\uparrow| + F_t^-(\omega)|\downarrow\rangle\langle\downarrow|$$

Pauli principle requires  $F_t^a(-\omega) = -F_t^a(\omega)$ : “odd-frequency triplet”

$$F_s(\omega) \mapsto f_s(\omega), \quad F_t^a(\omega) \mapsto \text{sgn}(\omega) f_t^a(\omega)$$

The exchange field in a ferromagnet  $\hat{H}_{\text{ex}} = \sigma^z h^z$  mixes  $f_s$  and  $f_t^z$

Usadel equation in the presence of an exchange/Zeeaman field

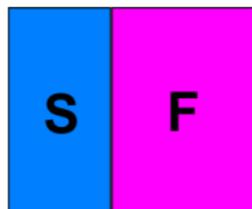
$$D\nabla^2 f_s - 2|\omega|f_s + i2h^a f_t^a = 0$$

$$D\nabla^2 f_t^a - 2|\omega|f_t^a + i2h^a f_s = 0$$

Singlet-triplet conversion is accompanied with the phase shift of  $\pi/2$  because the exchange field breaks the time reversal symmetry

# Proximity effect in S/F structures

S/F structure with perfectly transparent interface



$$\begin{aligned}
 D\nabla^2 f_s - 2|\omega|f_s + i2h^a f_t^a &= 0 \\
 D\nabla^2 f_t^a - 2|\omega|f_t^a + i2h^a f_s &= 0 \\
 f_s|_S &= f_{BSC}, \quad f_t^a|_S = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Singlet condensate penetrates F-region where the exchange field converts it into the odd-frequency triplet condensate parallel to  $\mathbf{h}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_s &= f_{BCS} \cos(x/\xi_h) e^{-x/\xi_h} \\
 f_t^z &= i f_{BCS} \sin(x/\xi_h) e^{-x/\xi_h}
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $h \gg T_c$ , the penetration depth  $\xi_h = \sqrt{D/h} \ll \xi_T$

The phase of the generated triplet condensate is shifted by  $\pi/2$

# SOC in superconducting structures: General picture

## Spin-charge diffusion equations in normal conductors

$$D\nabla^2 n + C_k^a \partial_k S^a = 0$$

$$D\nabla^2 S^a - \Gamma^{ab} S^b + P_k^{ab} \partial_k S^b + C_k^a \partial_k n = 0$$

SOC is time-reversal symmetric  $\Rightarrow$  it acts in exactly the same way on t-conjugated states  $\Rightarrow$  we expect:  $n \mapsto f_s(\omega)$ ,  $S^a \mapsto f_t^a(\omega)$

## Expected form of Usadel equations in the presence SOC

$$D\nabla^2 f_s - 2|\omega|f_s + C_k^a \partial_k f_t^a + i2h^a f_t^a = 0$$

$$D\nabla^2 f_t^a - (2|\omega|\delta^{ab} + \Gamma^{ab})f_t^b + P_k^{ab} \partial_k f_t^b + C_k^a \partial_k f_s + i2h^a f_s = 0$$

- Additional relaxation ( $\Gamma^{ab}$ ) and spin rotation ( $P_k^{ab}$ ) of the triplet: Generation of long-range triplet condensate (LRTC) in S/F
- Additional t-even ( $C_k^a$ ) channel of the singlet-triplet conversion: Interference of two conversion channels  $\mapsto$  anomalous current

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# Microscopic model of intrinsic SOC: SU(2) gauge field

One-particle Hamiltonian with intrinsic SOC:  $\Omega^a(\hat{\mathbf{p}}) = \frac{1}{2m} \{ \mathcal{A}_k^a, \hat{p}_k \}$

$$H_0 = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} - \frac{1}{2} \Omega^a(\mathbf{p}) \sigma^a - h^a \sigma^a + V_{\text{imp}} \mapsto \frac{1}{2m} (p_k - \hat{A}_k)^2 - \hat{A}_0 + V_{\text{imp}}$$

SOC  $\hat{A}_k = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{A}_k^a \sigma^a$ , and the exchange field  $\hat{A}_0 = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{A}_0^a \sigma^a \equiv h^a \sigma^a$  enter as space- and time-components of an effective SU(2) gauge field

2D Rashba-Dresselhaus SOC:  $\mathcal{A}_x^y = -\mathcal{A}_y^x = \alpha$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_x^x = -\mathcal{A}_y^y = \beta$

$\hat{H}$  is form-invariant under a local SU(2) rotation:  $U = \exp \left[ \frac{i}{2} \theta^a(\mathbf{r}) \sigma^a \right]$

$$H \mapsto U H U^{-1}, \quad \mathcal{A}_\mu \mapsto U \mathcal{A}_\mu U^{-1} - i(\partial_\mu U) U^{-1}$$

Gauge symmetry  $\Rightarrow$  SOC can enter only via covariant combinations!

# SU(2) Covariant Usadel equation

- Covariant derivative:  $\tilde{\nabla}_k \hat{O} = \partial_k \hat{O} - i[\hat{A}_k, \hat{O}]$
- Gauge field strength:  $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu}^a \sigma^a = \partial_\mu \hat{A}_\nu - \partial_\nu \hat{A}_\mu - i[\hat{A}_\mu, \hat{A}_\nu]$

“Electric” field:  $\mathcal{E}_k^a = \mathcal{F}_{0k}^a$ , “Magnetic” field:  $\mathcal{B}_i^a = \varepsilon_{ijk} \mathcal{F}_{jk}^a$

Make Usadel equation covariant by  $\partial_k \cdot \mapsto \tilde{\nabla}_k \cdot = \partial_k \cdot - i[\hat{A}_k, \cdot]$

$$\hat{f} = f_s + f_t^a \sigma^a \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D\tilde{\nabla}^2 \hat{f} - 2|\omega| \hat{f} + i\{\hat{h}, \hat{f}\} = 0 \\ \nu_k \tilde{\nabla}_k \hat{f}|_S = i\gamma f_{BSC} \end{array} \right.$$

Covariant Laplacian:  $\tilde{\nabla}^2 \hat{f} = \nabla^2 \hat{f} - \underbrace{2i[\hat{A}_k, \partial_k \hat{f}]}_{\text{rotation}} - \underbrace{[\hat{A}_j, [\hat{A}_j, \hat{f}]]}_{\text{DP relaxaton}}$

Spin torque:  $P_k^{ab} = 2D\varepsilon^{abc} \mathcal{A}_k^c$ ,  $\Gamma^{ab} = D(\mathcal{A}_k^c \mathcal{A}_k^c \delta^{ab} - \mathcal{A}_k^a \mathcal{A}_k^b)$

$C_k^a = 0 \rightarrow$  SOC does not induce singlet-triplet coupling at this level

# Generation of Long-range Triplet Condensate (LRTC)

Simple example of LRTC: "3D Rashba" SOC  $\mathcal{A}_k^a = \alpha \delta_k^a$  and  $\mathbf{h} = \hat{z}h^z$

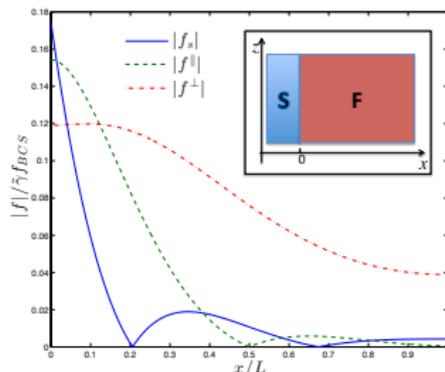
$$D\tilde{\nabla}^2 \hat{f} - 2|\omega| \hat{f} + i\{\hat{h}, \hat{f}\} = 0; \quad \hat{f} = f_s + f_t^\parallel \sigma^z + f_t^\perp \sigma^y$$

$$\begin{aligned} D\partial_x^2 f_s - 2|\omega| f_s - 2ih^z f_t^\parallel &= 0 \\ D\partial_x^2 f_t^\parallel + 2D\alpha\partial_x f_t^\perp - 2(D\alpha^2 + |\omega|) f_t^\parallel - 2ih^z f_s &= 0 \\ D\partial_x^2 f_t^\perp - 2D\alpha\partial_x f_t^\parallel - 2(D\alpha^2 + |\omega|) f_t^\perp &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

## General condition for LRTC

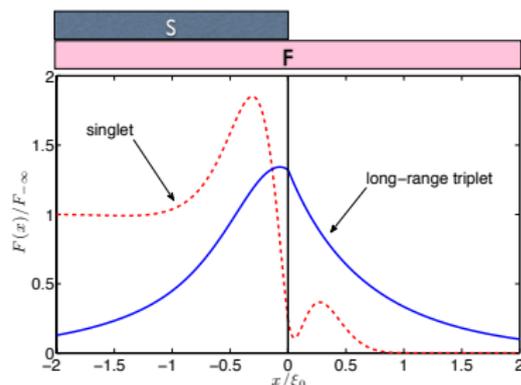
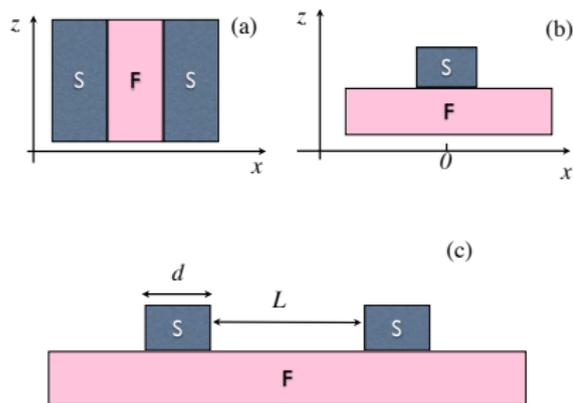
The component  $\hat{A}_k$  along inhomogeneity should not commute with  $\hat{h}$ ,  $[\hat{A}_0, \hat{A}_k] \neq 0$

LRTC is generated by the SU(2) electric field  $\mathcal{F}_{0k}^a = \mathcal{E}_k^a$  in the direction of diffusion!



# LRTC: “vertical” vs “lateral” S/F/S structures

SOC related to geometric constraints and/or heterointerfaces generates LRTC only in lateral S/F/S structures



Long-range Josephson effect in a lateral S/F/S structure

$$I_c = \frac{S\sigma_F}{e} \text{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{F}}_{x0}^\perp)^2 T \sum_{\omega} \kappa_{\omega} C^2(\omega_n) e^{-\kappa_{\omega} L} \sim \text{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{E}}_x^\perp)^2 e^{-L/\xi_T}$$

# Beyond the leading order: Singlet-Triplet coupling

Include the effect of SU(2) magnetic field  $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_{jk} = -i[\hat{A}_j, \hat{A}_k]$

Linearized covariant Eilenberger equation for anomalous GF  $\hat{f}(\mathbf{n})$

$$v_F n_k \tilde{\nabla}_k \hat{f}(\mathbf{n}) + \left\{ \omega - \underbrace{i\hat{A}_0 - \frac{\hat{\mathcal{F}}_{jk} n_j \partial_{n_k}}{2m}}_{\text{singlet-triplet coupling}}, \hat{f}(\mathbf{n}) \right\} = \frac{\text{sgn}(\omega)}{\tau} [\hat{f}(\mathbf{n}) - \langle \hat{f} \rangle]$$

SU(2) “Lorentz force” → spin-dependent deflection of trajectories  
 → conversion of moving charge into moving spin → SHE

In combination with SOC-induced precession of moving spins →

- Spin-galvanic and Edelstein effects in normal metals
- Additional t-even channel of singlet-triplet conversion in SC

# Beyond the leading order: The diffusive limit $\tau \rightarrow 0$

$$\hat{f}(\mathbf{n}) \approx \hat{f} + n_k \hat{f}_k, \quad \hat{f} = \langle \hat{f}(\mathbf{n}) \rangle \gg \hat{f}_k$$

$$\frac{1}{3} v_F \tilde{\nabla}_k \hat{f}_k + 2\omega \hat{f} - i \{ \hat{A}_0, \hat{f} \} = 0$$

$$\hat{f}_k \approx -\tau v_F \left( \underbrace{\text{sgn}(\omega) \tilde{\nabla}_k \hat{f}}_{\text{"covariant diffusion"}} - \underbrace{\frac{\tau}{2m} \{ \hat{\mathcal{F}}_{kj}, \tilde{\nabla}_j \hat{f} \}}_{\text{"spin Hall" term}} \right)$$

## Generalized Usadel equation and physical observables

$$D \tilde{\nabla}^2 \hat{f} - 2|\omega| \hat{f} + \text{sgn}(\omega) \left( i \{ \hat{A}_0, \hat{f} \} + \frac{\tau D}{2m} \{ \tilde{\nabla}_k \hat{\mathcal{F}}_{kj}, \tilde{\nabla}_j \hat{f} \} \right) = 0$$

$$j_k = \pi N_0 D \text{Im} \sum_{\omega} \text{tr} \left[ \hat{f} \hat{f}_k \right] \text{sgn}(\omega)$$

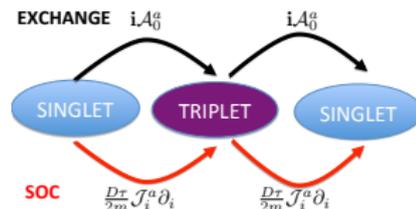
$$S^a = \pi N_0 \text{Im} \sum_{\omega} \text{tr} \left[ \sigma^a \hat{f} \hat{f} \right] \text{sgn}(\omega)$$

# Non-dissipative magnetoelectric effects

$$\hat{f} = f_s + \text{sgn}(\omega)\sigma^a f_t^a$$

$$D\nabla^2 f_s - 2|\omega|f_s + (iA_0^a + \frac{\tau D}{2m} \mathcal{J}_k^a \partial_k) f_t^a = 0$$

$$D(\tilde{\nabla}^2 \hat{f}_t)^a - 2|\omega|f_t^a + (iA_0^a + \frac{\tau D}{2m} \mathcal{J}_k^a \partial_k) f_s = 0$$



$\hat{J}_k = \tilde{\nabla}_j \hat{\mathcal{F}}_{jk} \mapsto [\hat{A}_j, [\hat{A}_j, \hat{A}_k]]$ : pseudotensor  $\sim$  equilibrium spin current

## Edelstein and spin-galvanic effects in bulk superconductors

$$S^a = \chi_k^a \partial_k \varphi, \quad j_k = \chi_k^a \mathcal{A}_k^a$$

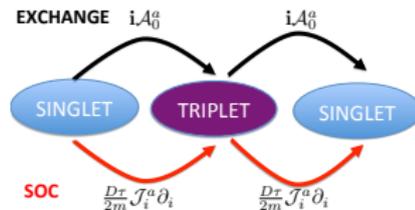
$$\chi_k^a = \pi N_0 \frac{\tau D}{m} \sum_{\omega} \frac{\Delta^2}{\omega^2} \left[ (\hat{\Gamma} + 2|\omega|)^{-1} \right]^{ab} \mathcal{J}_k^b \sim \frac{\alpha^3}{\alpha^2 + \xi_T^{-2}}$$

# Non-dissipative magnetoelectric effects: $\varphi_0$ -junctions

$$I(\varphi) = I_c \sin(\varphi + \varphi_0), \quad \varphi_0 \neq \{0, \pi\} - \text{anomalous phase}$$

Current through the right interface at  $x = x_R$

$$I_x \sim \sum_{\omega} \text{Im} [f_s^*(x_R) f_{BSC}^R] \sim \sin(\varphi + \varphi_0)$$

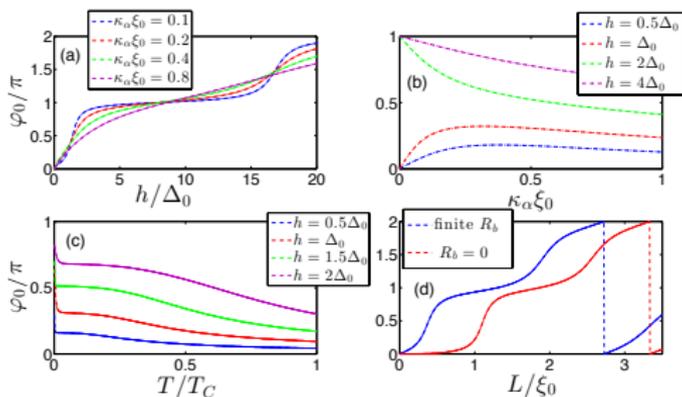


Example: Rashba SOC

$$\mathcal{A}_x^y = -\mathcal{A}_y^x = \alpha, \quad \mathcal{A}_0^y = h$$

(a)-(b)  $L = \xi_0, T = 0.1T_c$

(c)  $L = \xi_0, \kappa_\alpha \xi_0 = 0.2$



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# Extrinsic SOC in superconductors: The starting point

Spin-dependent scattering by a random potential of impurities:

$$\hat{W}(\mathbf{r}) = V(\mathbf{r}) + \hat{V}_{so}(\mathbf{r}), \quad \hat{V}_{so} = -i\lambda^2 (\nabla V(\mathbf{r}) \times \nabla) \sigma$$

Kinetic equation for  $8 \times 8$  matrix Nambu-Keldysh GF  $\check{G}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}; t, t')$

$$\tau_3 \partial_t \check{G} + \partial_{t'} \check{G} \tau_3 + \frac{p_k}{m} \partial_k \check{G} + i [\mathbf{h}\sigma\tau_3 + \check{\Delta}, \check{G}] = \mathcal{J}[\check{G}]$$

$$\mathcal{J}[\check{G}] = -i [\check{\Sigma}, \check{G}] + \frac{1}{2} \{ \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \check{\Sigma}, \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \check{G} \} - \frac{1}{2} \{ \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \check{\Sigma}, \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \check{G} \}$$

Contributions to the 2nd Born self-energy  $\check{\Sigma} = \langle \hat{W}(\mathbf{r}) \check{G}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \hat{W}(\mathbf{r}') \rangle$

- $\langle V \check{G} V \rangle$  – momentum relaxation  $\rightarrow \tau$
- $\langle \hat{V}_{so} \check{G} \hat{V}_{so} \rangle$  – spin relaxation (Elliot-Yafet)  $\rightarrow \tau_{so}$
- $\langle V \check{G} \hat{V}_{so} \rangle$  – “side jump” SHE and spin current swapping  $\rightarrow \theta, \kappa$

Beyond 2nd Born  $\sim \langle V \check{G} V \check{G} \hat{V}_{so} \rangle$  – “skew scattering” SHE

# Usadel equation: SHE and spin current swapping

Linearized Usadel equation in equilibrium  $\hat{f}(\mathbf{n}) \approx \hat{f} + n_k \hat{f}_k$

$$\frac{1}{3} v_F \partial_k \hat{f}_k + 2\omega \hat{f} + i \{ \mathbf{h}\sigma, \hat{f} \} = -\text{sgn}(\omega) \frac{3\hat{f} - \sigma^a \hat{f} \sigma^a}{4\tau_{so}}$$

$$\hat{f}_k = -\tau v_F \left( \underbrace{\text{sgn}(\omega) \partial_k \hat{f}}_{\text{diffusion}} - \underbrace{\frac{\theta}{2} \varepsilon_{kja} \{ \sigma^a, \partial_j \hat{f} \}}_{\text{"spin Hall" term}} + i \underbrace{\text{sgn}(\omega) \frac{\kappa}{2} \varepsilon_{kja} [ \sigma^a, \partial_j \hat{f} ]}_{\text{"swapping" term}} \right)$$

Spin Hall and swapping contributions to  $\hat{f}_k$  are purely transverse  $\Rightarrow$

$$D\nabla^2 \hat{f} - 2|\omega| \hat{f} - i \text{sgn}(\omega) \{ \mathbf{h}\sigma, \hat{f} \} = \frac{3\hat{f} - \sigma^a \hat{f} \sigma^a}{4\tau_{so}}$$

At S/N boundary:  $\begin{cases} \nu_k (\partial_k f_s - \theta \varepsilon_{kja} \partial_j f_t^a) = i\gamma f_{BCS} \\ \nu_k (\partial_k f_t^a - \theta \varepsilon_{kja} \partial_j f_s - \kappa [\partial_a f_t^k - \delta_{ka} \partial_j f_t^j]) = 0 \end{cases}$

Singlet-triplet coupling is induced at the interface:  $C_k^a = \theta \varepsilon_{kja} \nu_j \delta(S)$  !

# Interface spin accumulation and extrinsic SHE in SC

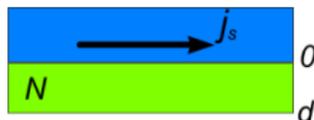
## I. Non-dissipative SHE in a superconducting film



$$\left. \begin{aligned} f_s(x) &\approx i f_{BCS} e^{i\varphi(x)} \\ \partial_z f_t^y|_{\pm d/2} &= -\theta \partial_x \varphi f_{BCS} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow S^y(z) = \theta \sum_{\omega} \frac{j_{s,x}(\omega)}{Dk} \frac{\sinh kz}{\cosh kd/2}$$

$$Dk^2 = 2|\omega| + 1/\tau_{so}, \quad \text{zero net spin polarization } \langle S \rangle = 0$$

## II. Supercurrent-induced interface spin accumulation in S/N bilayer

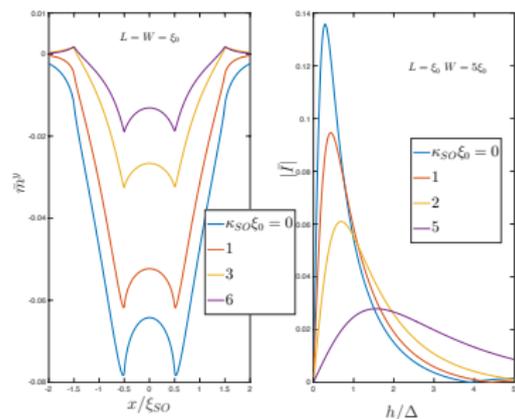
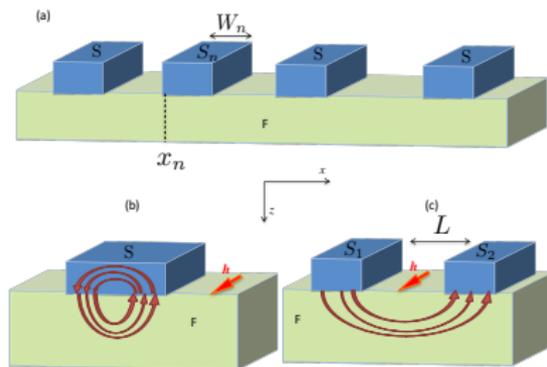


$$S^y(z) = \gamma^2 \theta \sum_{\omega} \frac{j_{s,x}(\omega) \cosh k_{\omega}(z-d)}{Dk_{\omega}^2 k \sinh^2 k_{\omega} d \sinh kd} [\cosh kz - \cosh k_{\omega} d \cosh k(z-d)]$$

structure with broken inversion symmetry  $\Rightarrow \langle S \rangle \neq 0$

**Inverse effect: Spontaneous supercurrent at S/F interface**

# Anomalous Josephson effect in lateral structures



Supercurrent through  $n$ th S-terminal at  $x_n < x < x_n + W_n$

$$j_z^{(n)}(x) = h\theta \sum_{\omega} \sum_{l=1}^M \frac{f_{BCS}^{(n)} f_{BCS}^{(l)}}{R_{bn} R_{bl}} [s(|x - x_l|) - s(|x - x_l - W_l|)]$$

$$\text{Total anomalous current: } I = \int_{x_1}^{x_1 + W_1} dx j_z^{(1)}(x) \sim h\theta \sim \sigma_{AH}$$

# Outline

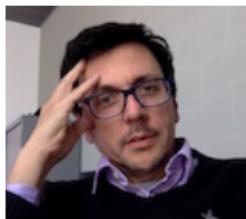
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# Summary

- 1 The presented theory of superconductors with SOC makes a connection between “classical spin-orbitronics” effects and phenomena mediated by SOC in superconducting structures
  - Spin helix in normal systems  $\leftrightarrow$  LRTC in S/F structures
  - SHE and EE  $\leftrightarrow$  Supercurrent-induced spin/triplet accumulation
  - Spin-galvanic effect (Inverse EE)  $\leftrightarrow$  Josephson  $\varphi_0$ -junction
- 2 Singlet-triplet coupling and related non-dissipative magnetoelectric effects are determined by the normal state spin Hall angle and the spin-charge coupling pseudotensor  $C_k^a$
- 3 On the practical side we identified lateral S/F/S structures and materials with large anomalous Hall conductivity as most promising for realization of  $\varphi_0$ -junctions

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