

Three-dimensional magnetic systems: the future is bright!

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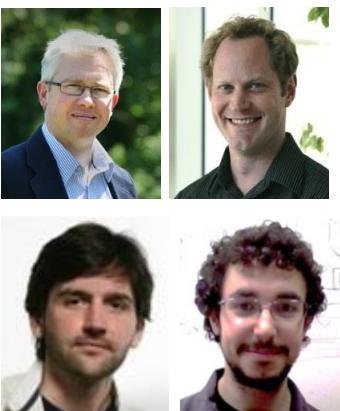
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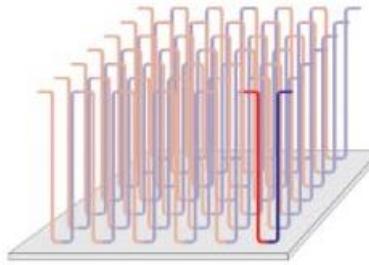
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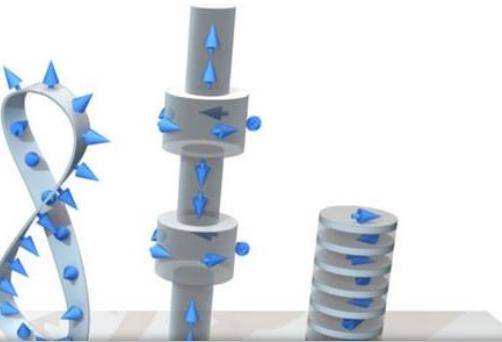
Magnetism: from 2D ... to 3D

High density memory

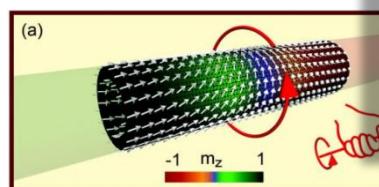


Parkin et al.,
Science 320,190 (2008)

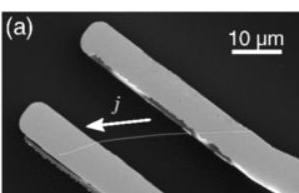
Fernandez-Pacheco et al.,
Nat. Comm. 8, 15756 (2017)



Promising domain wall dynamics



Yan et al., APL 100, 252401 (2012)
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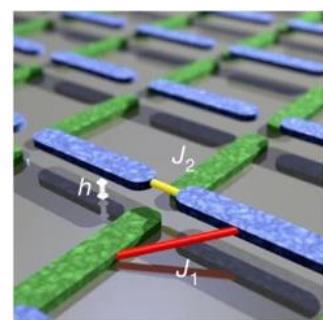
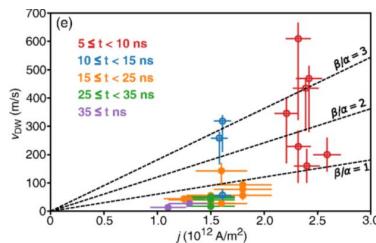


Schöbitz et al., PRL 123, 217201 (2019)



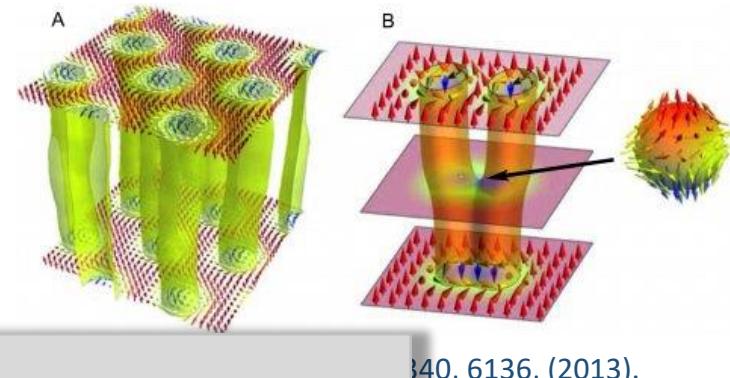
To study these experimentally, new methods are needed!

Extensive degeneracy in 3D artificial spin ice



Perrin et al., Nature 540, 410–413 (2016)

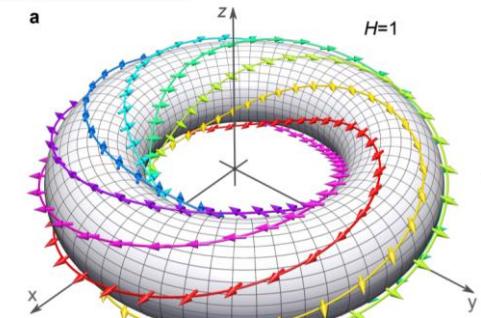
Buried topological transformations



340, 6136, (2013).

ures:

Hopfions



Rybakov., arXiv:1904.00250 [cond-mat.str-el]

Reviews on 3D magnetism:

Streubel et al., J. Phys. D. 49, 36 (2016)

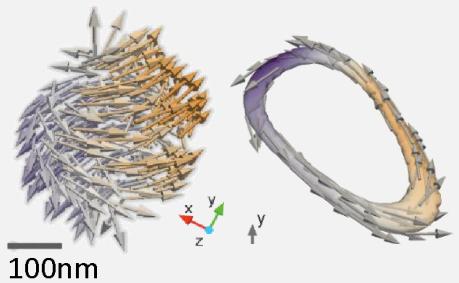
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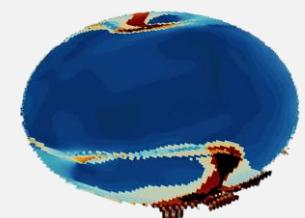
Fischer et al., APL Materials 8, 010701 (2020)

Experimental 3D nanomagnetism:

In the bulk:

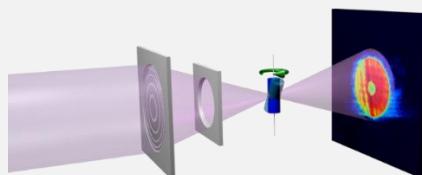


Observe 3D magnetic configurations

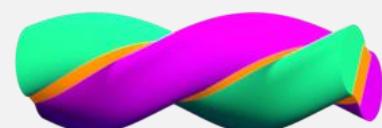


And their 3D magnetisation dynamics!

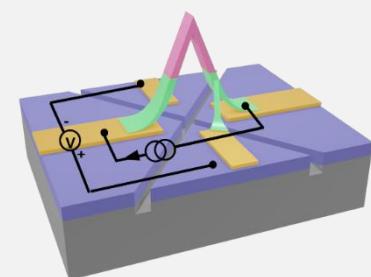
→ *3D imaging techniques*



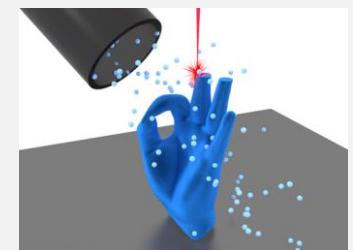
In patterned 3D structures:



Introduce geometric effects such as chirality



Realise 3D spintronics!



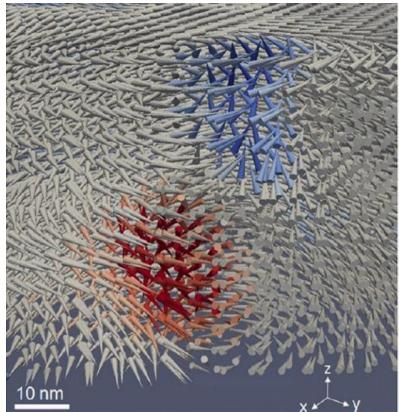
→ *3D nanofabrication*



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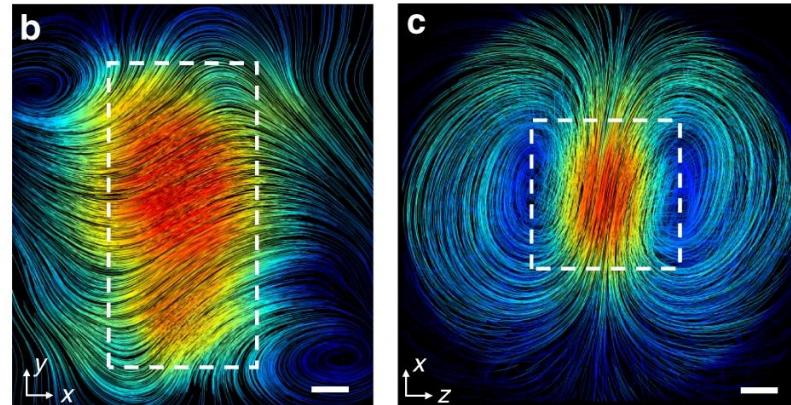
Magnetic imaging in 3D

With electrons:



Tanigaki et al., Nano. Lett. **15**, 1309 (2015)
Wolf et al. Chem. Mater. **27**, 6771 (2015)
Wolf et al., Comm. Phys. **2**, 87 (2019)

... neutrons:



Hilger et al., Nat. Comm. **9**, 4023 (2018)
Manke et al., Nat. Comm. **1**, 125 (2010)
Kardjilov et al., Nat. Phys. **4**, 399 (2008)

... & X-rays:



Streubel et al., Nat. Comm. (2015)
Blanco-Roldan et al., Nat. Comm. (2015)
Donnelly et al., Nature **547**, 328 (2017)
Suzuki et al., Appl. Phys. Expr. **11**, 036601 (2018)

Hierro-Rodriguez et al., arXiv (2019)
Donnelly et al., Nat. Nano. **15**, 356 (2020)
Witte et al., Nano Lett. **20**, 1305 (2020)

Spatial Resolution:

< 10 nm

Sample thickness:

< 200 nm

Spatial Resolution:

~10-100 μm

Sample thickness:

up to mms

Spatial Resolution:

~10 -100 of nm

Sample thickness:

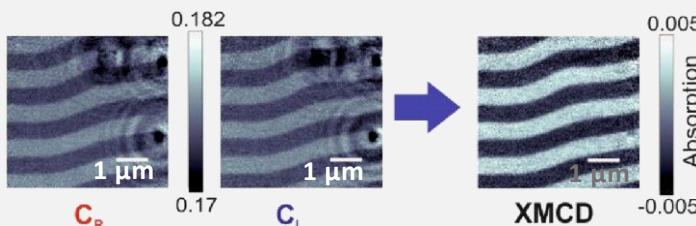
Up to 10s of μm

Characterisation of 3D systems: developing 3D magnetic imaging

2D Hard X-ray magnetic imaging

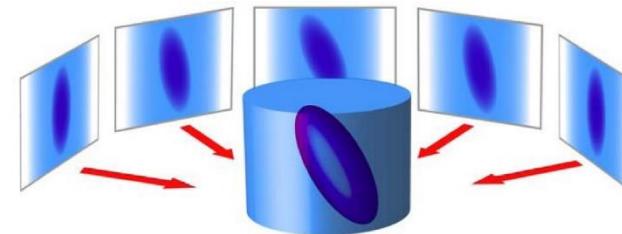
Overcome weak magnetic signals with highly sensitive

Coherent Diffractive Imaging



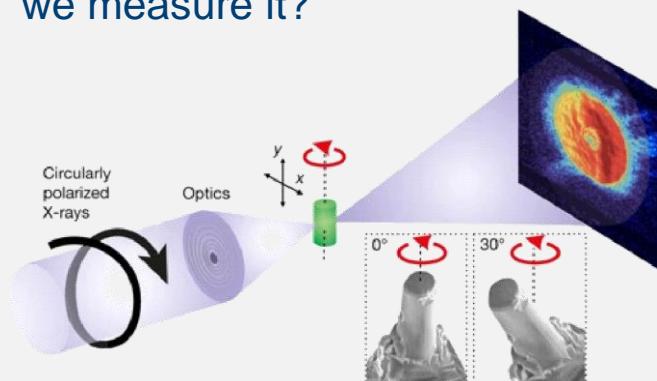
Donnelly et al., Phys. Rev. B 94, 064421 (2016)
XMCD: Schütz et al., PRL 58, 737 (1987)

Magnetic tomography



Guizar-Sicairos et al. Optics Express 19, 21345 (2011)

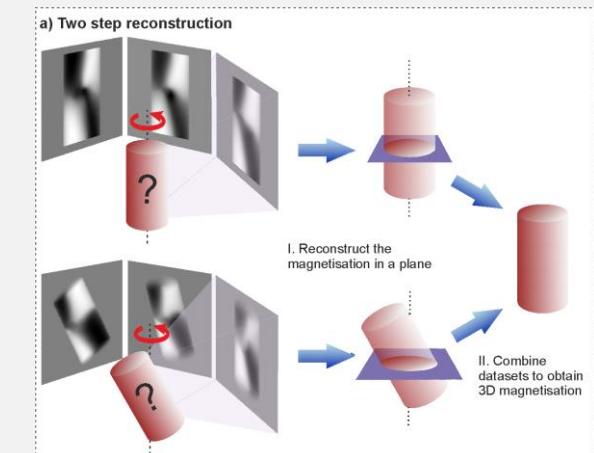
What data do we need, and how do we measure it?



Donnelly et al., Nature 547, 328 (2017)

New reconstruction algorithm

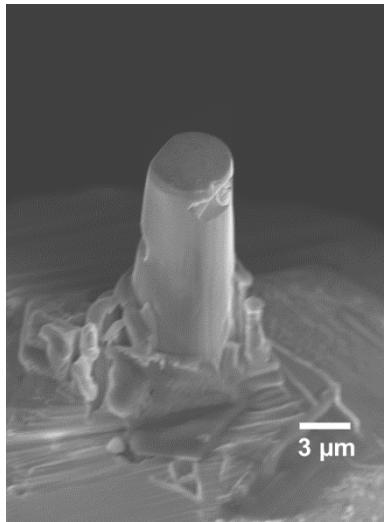
...to reconstruct the three-dimensional magnetisation vector field...



Donnelly et al., NJP 20 083009 (2018)

X-ray magnetic tomography

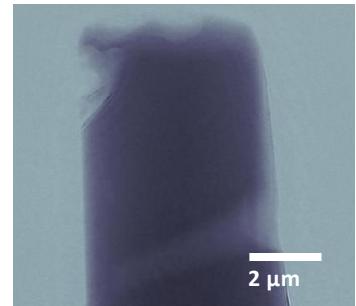
GdCo₂ Pillar
Cut from a nugget with FIB



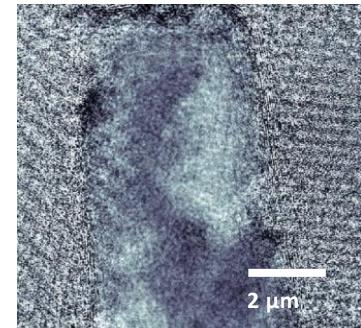
Unknown magnetic configuration

Sample: R. Galera, CNRS,
Grenoble

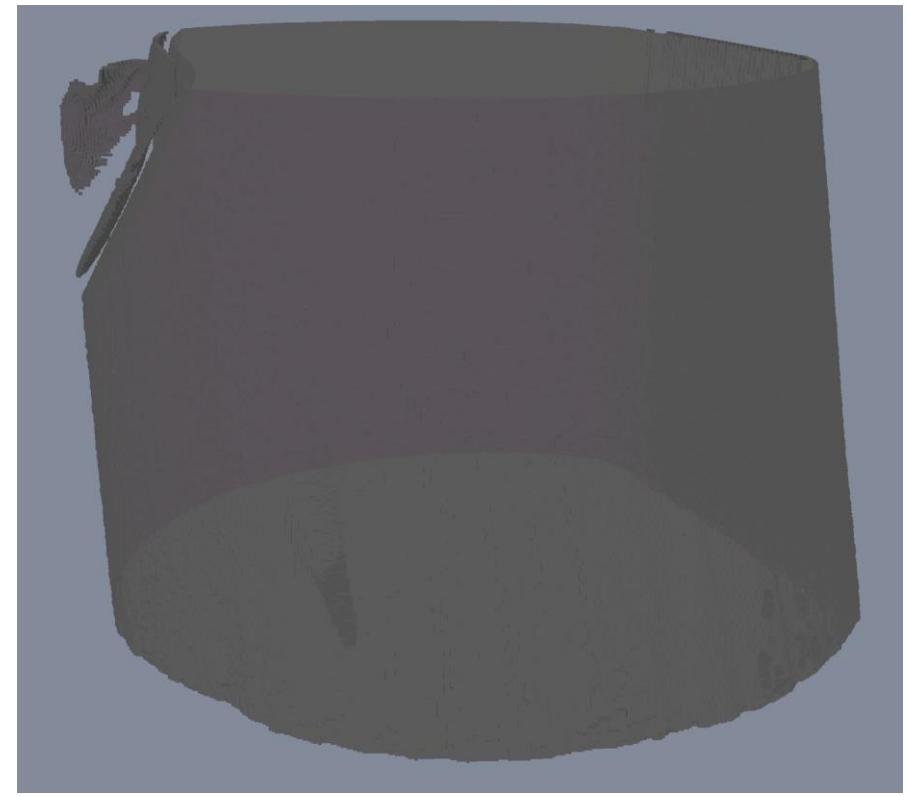
Absorption image (C_L)



XMCD image ($C_L - C_R$)



Reconstruct with 100 nm spatial resolution



← →

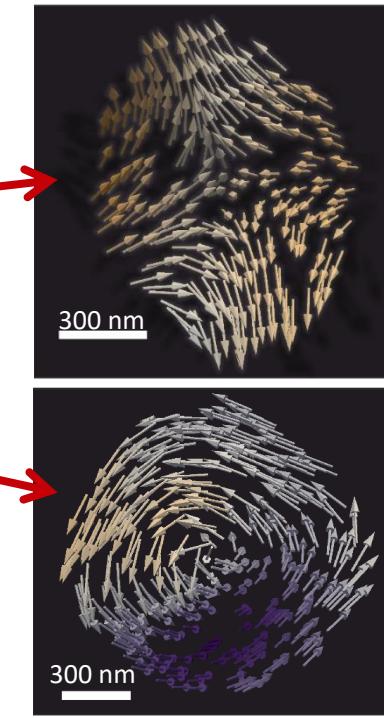
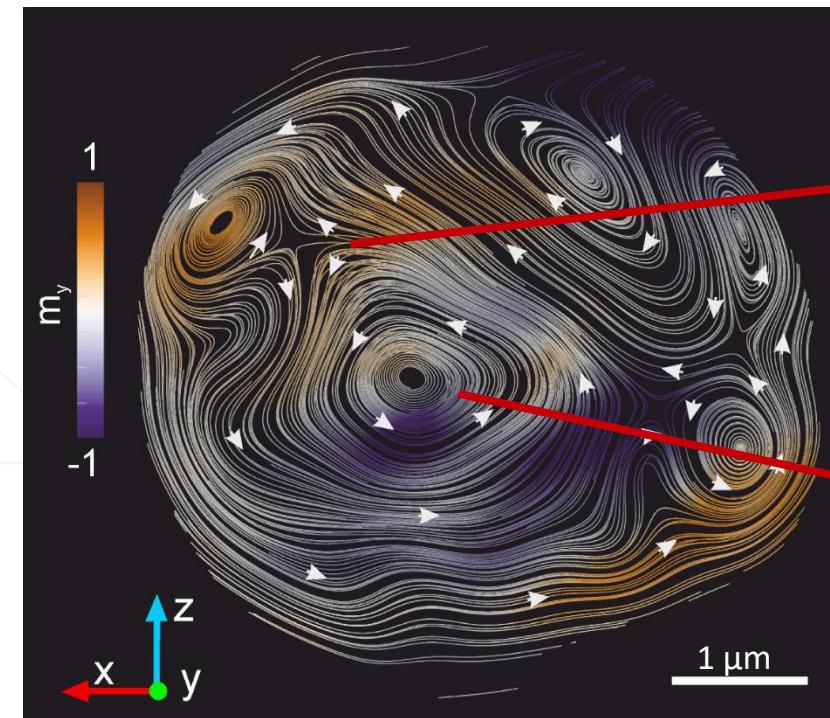
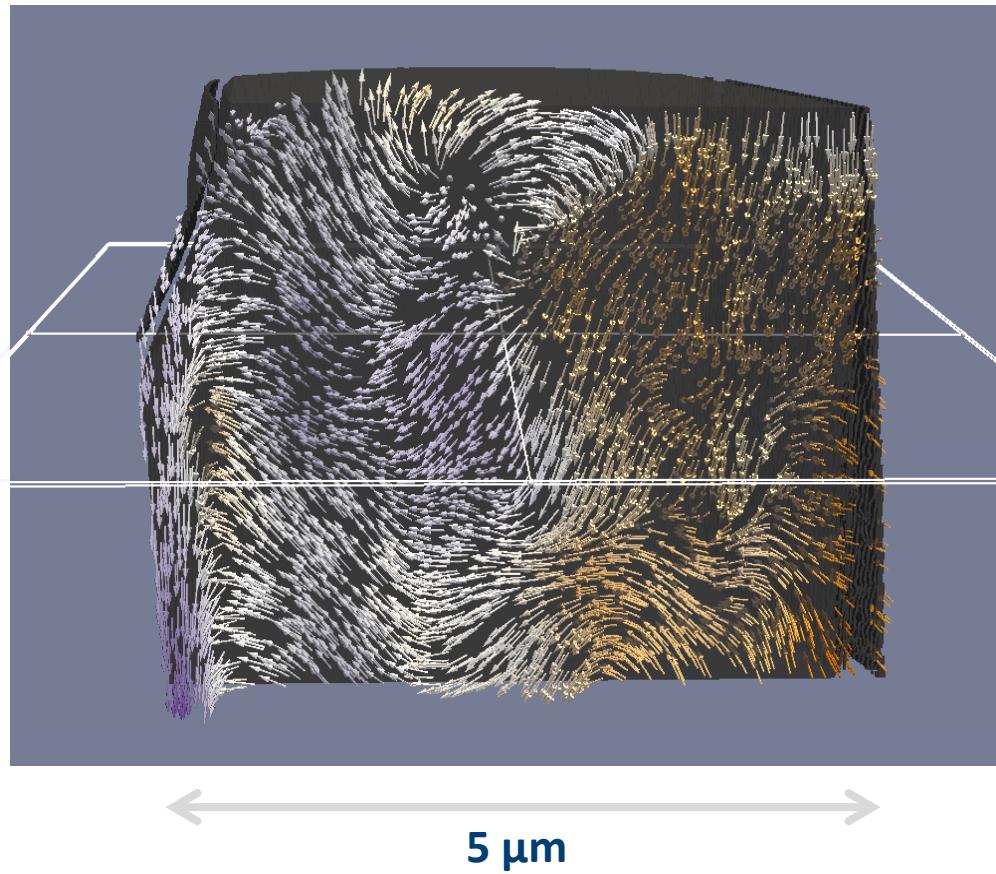
5 μm



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X-ray magnetic tomography: a slice



Anti-vortex



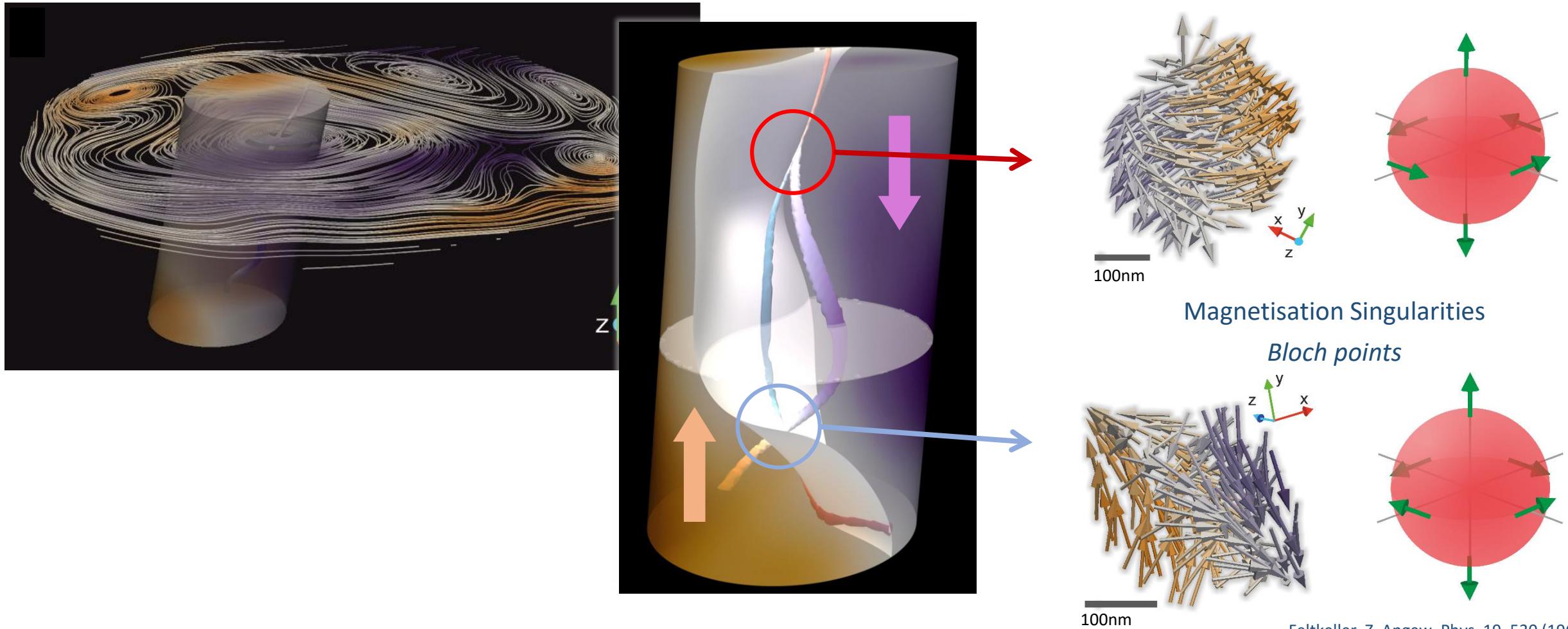
Vortex



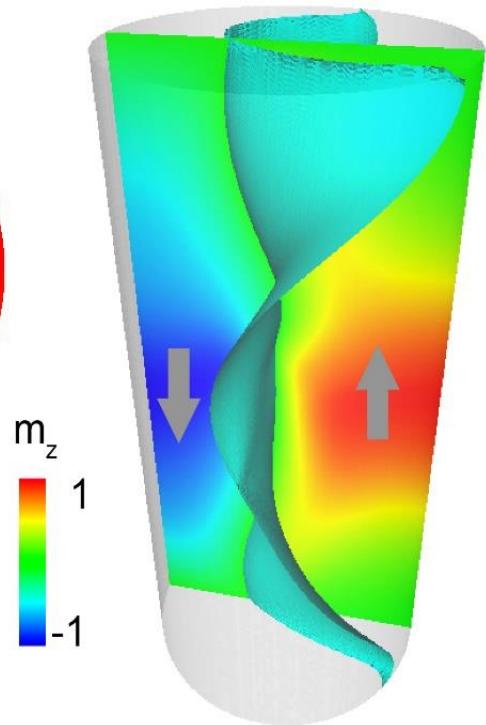
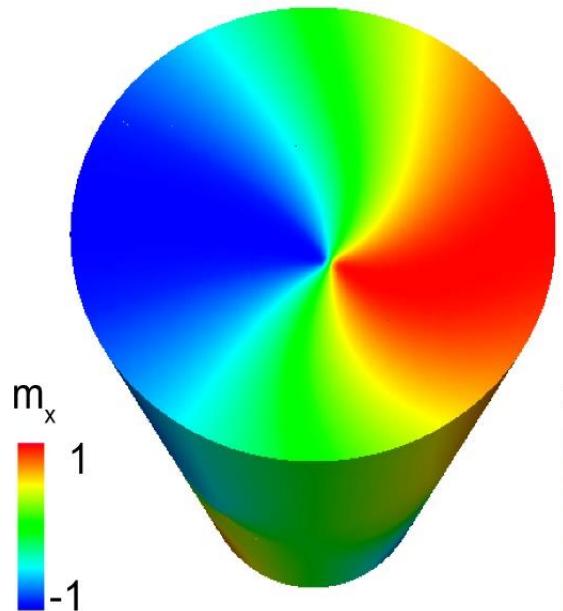
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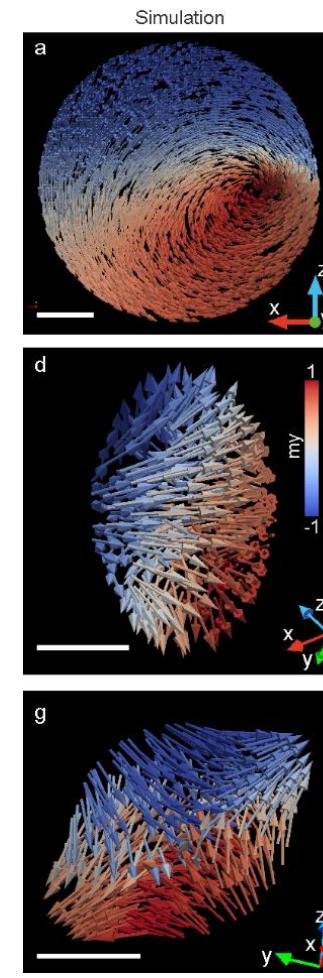
X-ray magnetic tomography: Complex 3D magnetic structure



Validating the magnetic reconstruction with simulations

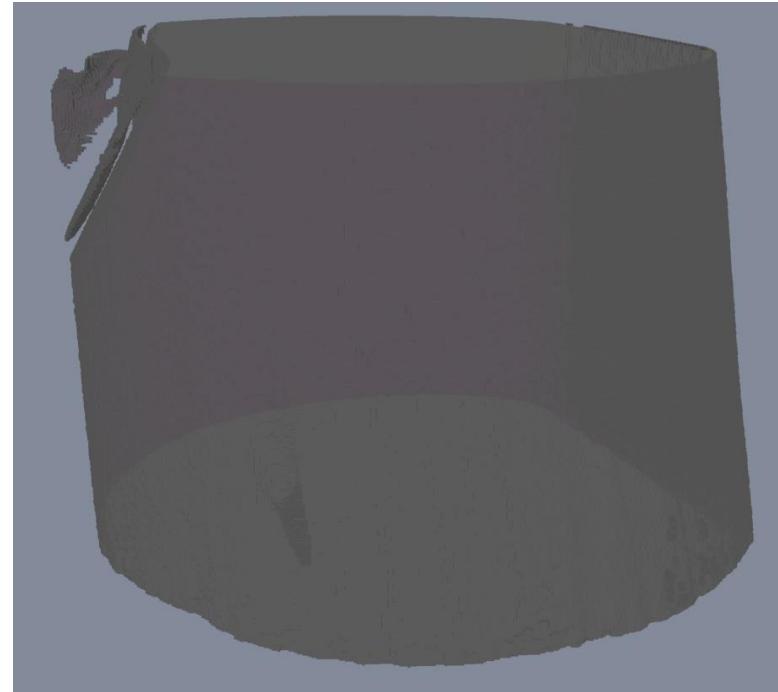
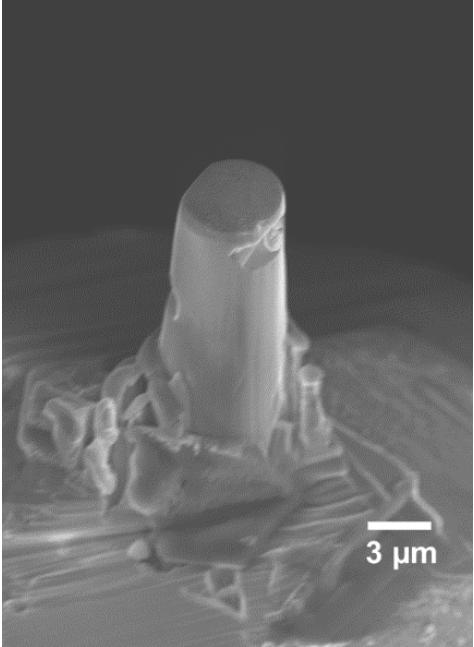


Finite element micromagnetic simulations by Sebastian Gliga, PSI
Magnetic structure contains vortices and Bloch points



95% of vectors have
<2% error in $|\mathbf{m}|$
& <15° error in θ_m

Beyond magnetic tomography...



***One main challenge:**
how to analyse & identify complex 3D structures?*



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Interpreting 3D magnetic configurations

One main challenge:
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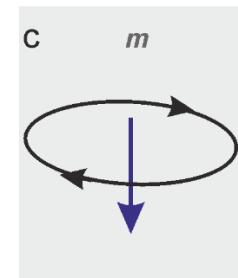
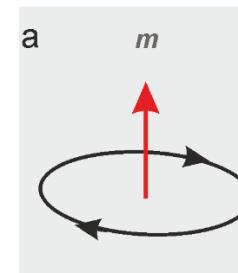
Through calculations of the
magnetic vorticity Ω :

$$\Omega_\alpha = \frac{1}{8\pi} \varepsilon_{ijk} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} n_i \partial_\beta n_j \partial_\gamma n_k$$

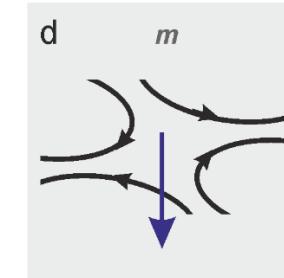
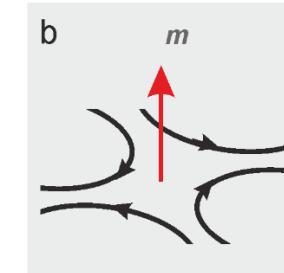
(n_i = unit vector)

N. Papanicolaou, NATO ASI Series C404, 151-158 (1993).
Cooper, PRL 82 1554 (1999)

Vortices:



Antivortices:



Magnetic vorticity Ω = **flux of Skyrmiion number density**

Interpreting 3D magnetic configurations

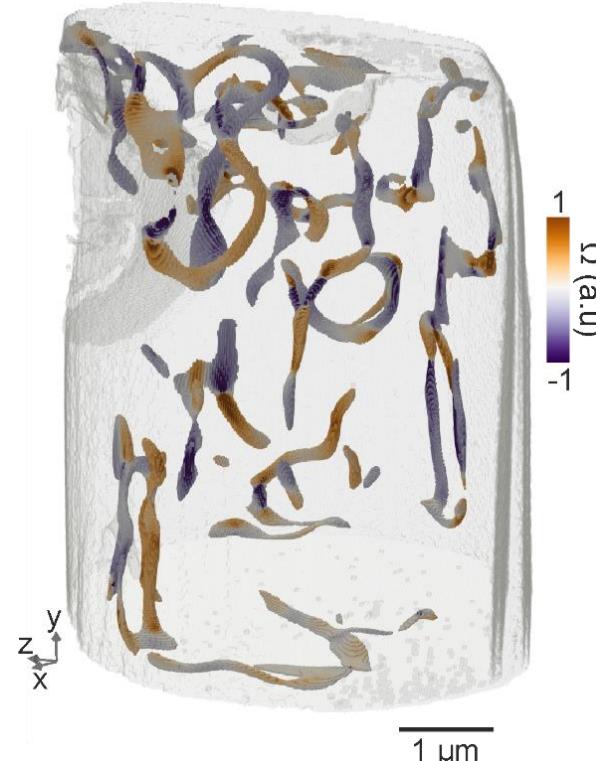
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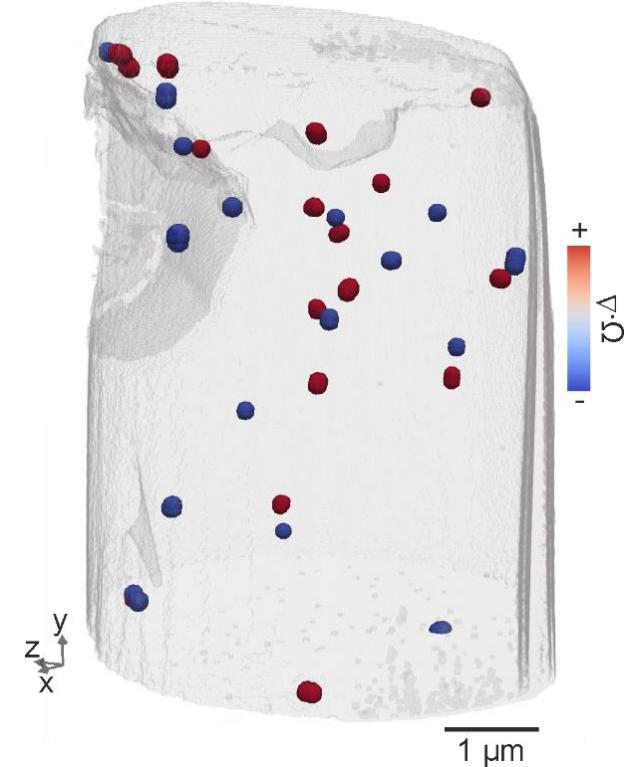
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*Identify & understand
3D structures*



*Locate singularities
within the bulk*



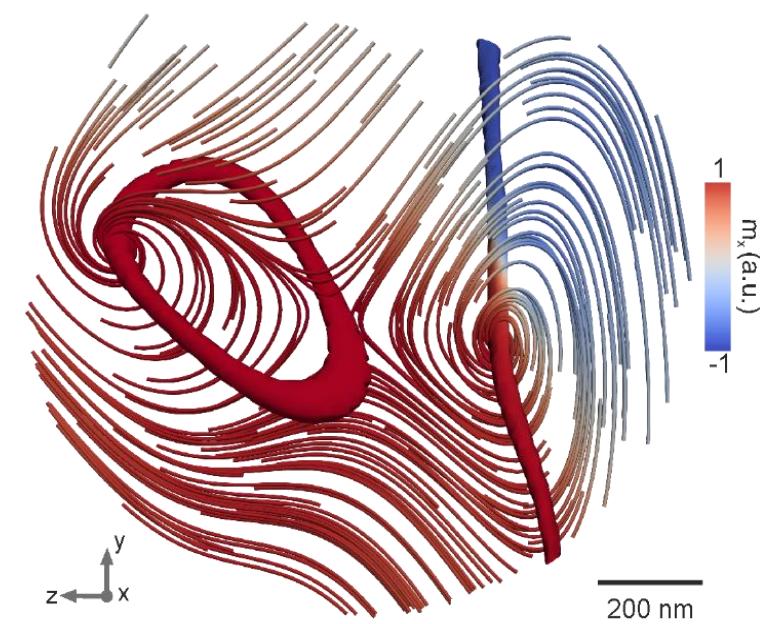
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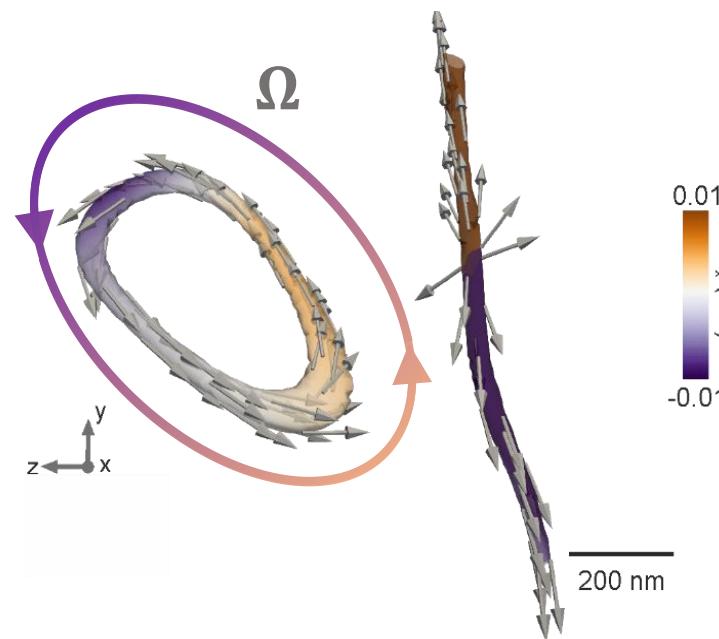
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We can use this to understand new 3D textures:

In this way, we observe unexpected stable 3D structures such as loops of vortex-antivortex pairs :



That have circulating vorticity:



→ Magnetic vortex rings

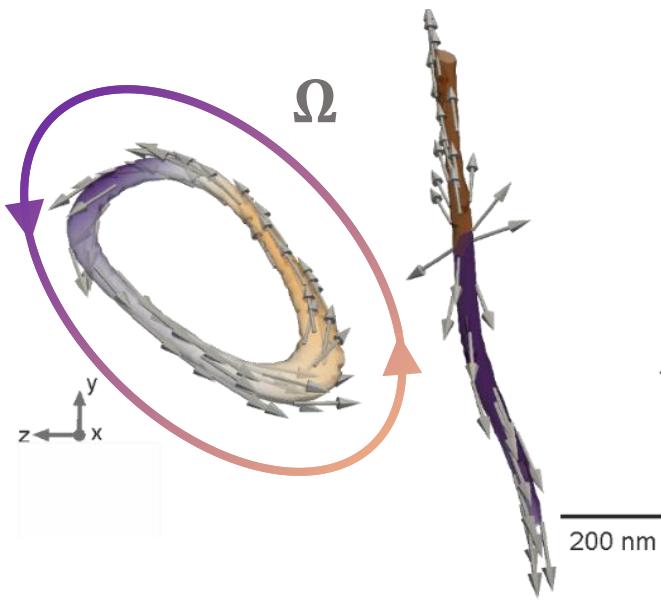
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Analogous to hydrodynamic vortex rings:

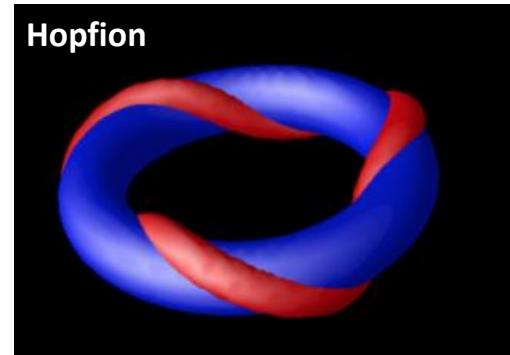


But why are these stable?

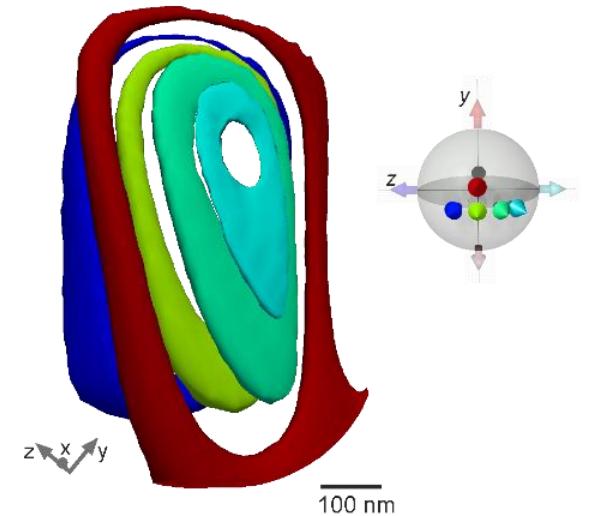
Could it be the topology of the vortex ring?



By plotting “pre-images” in 3D:



Pre-images link 3 times
→ **Hopf Index H=3**



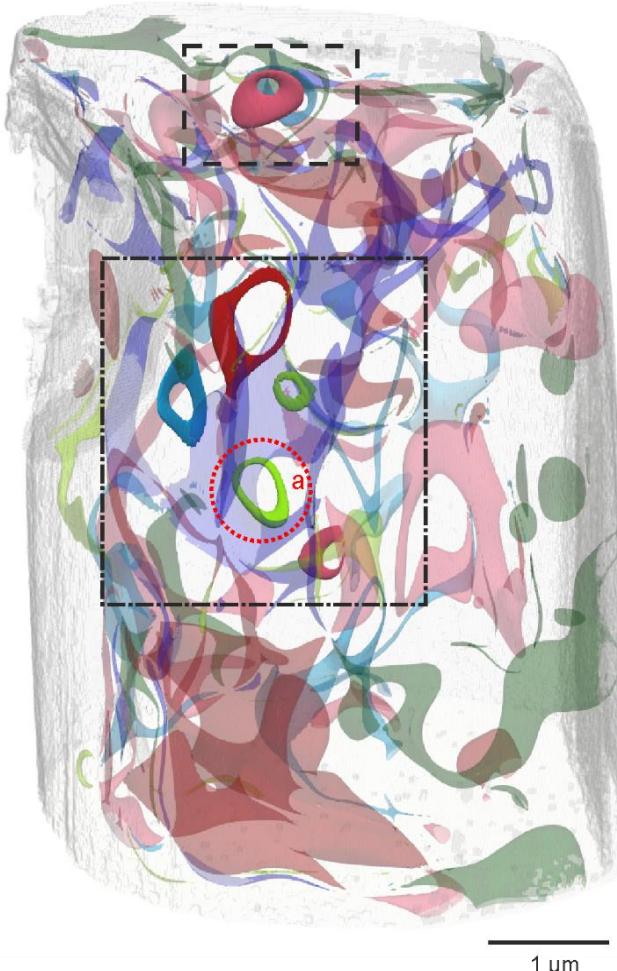
Pre-images don't link
→ **Hopf Index H=0**



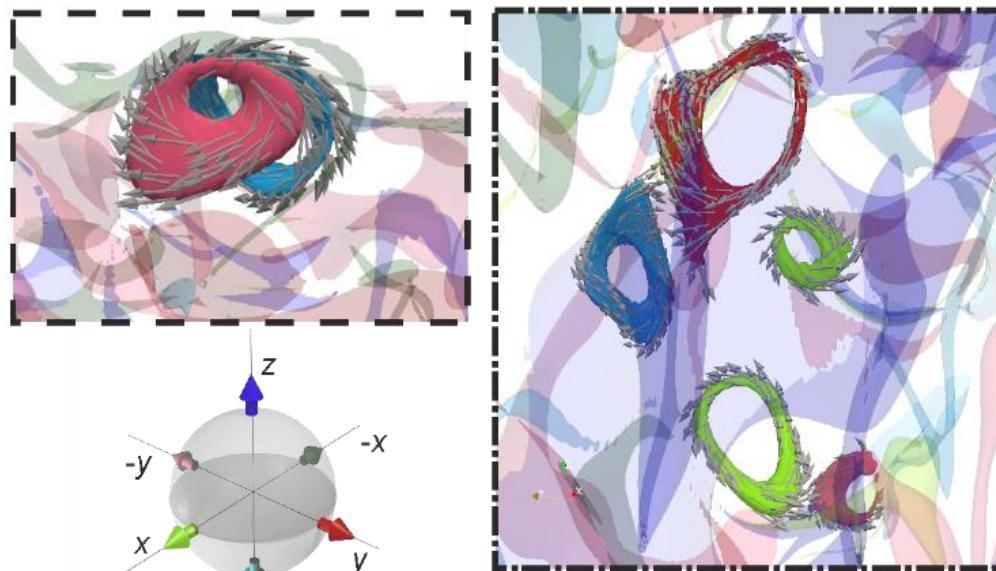
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3D magnetic vortex loops:



We find a variety of vortex rings



Each with circulating vorticity!

*Observations of size and surroundings
&
Modelling of bulk textures*

→ ***Magnetostatics key in 3D!***

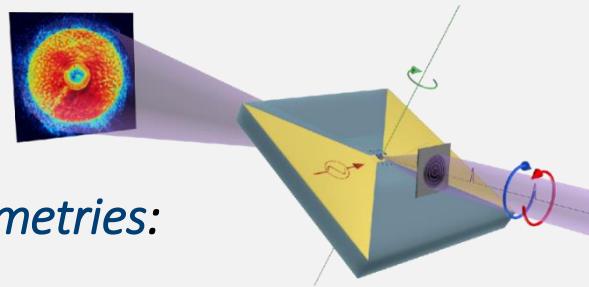


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Beyond magnetic tomography...

More flexible experimental geometries:



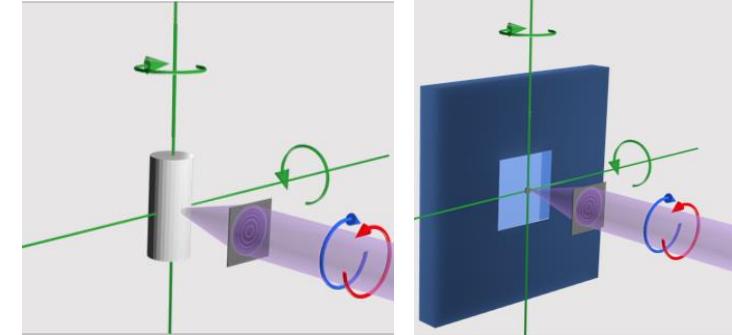
To the 4th dimension:



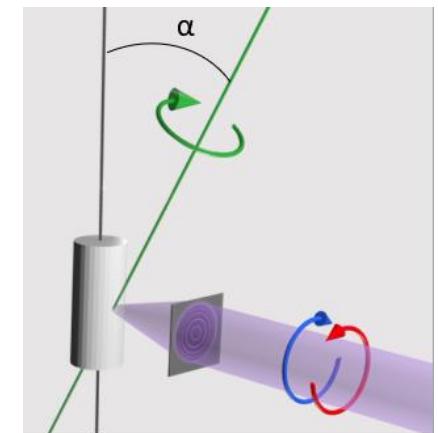
Higher spatial resolutions & sensitivity for nanoscale 3D structures



Tomography:
a non-destructive 3D imaging method
Sample ideally cylindrical
Problematic for flat, extended samples



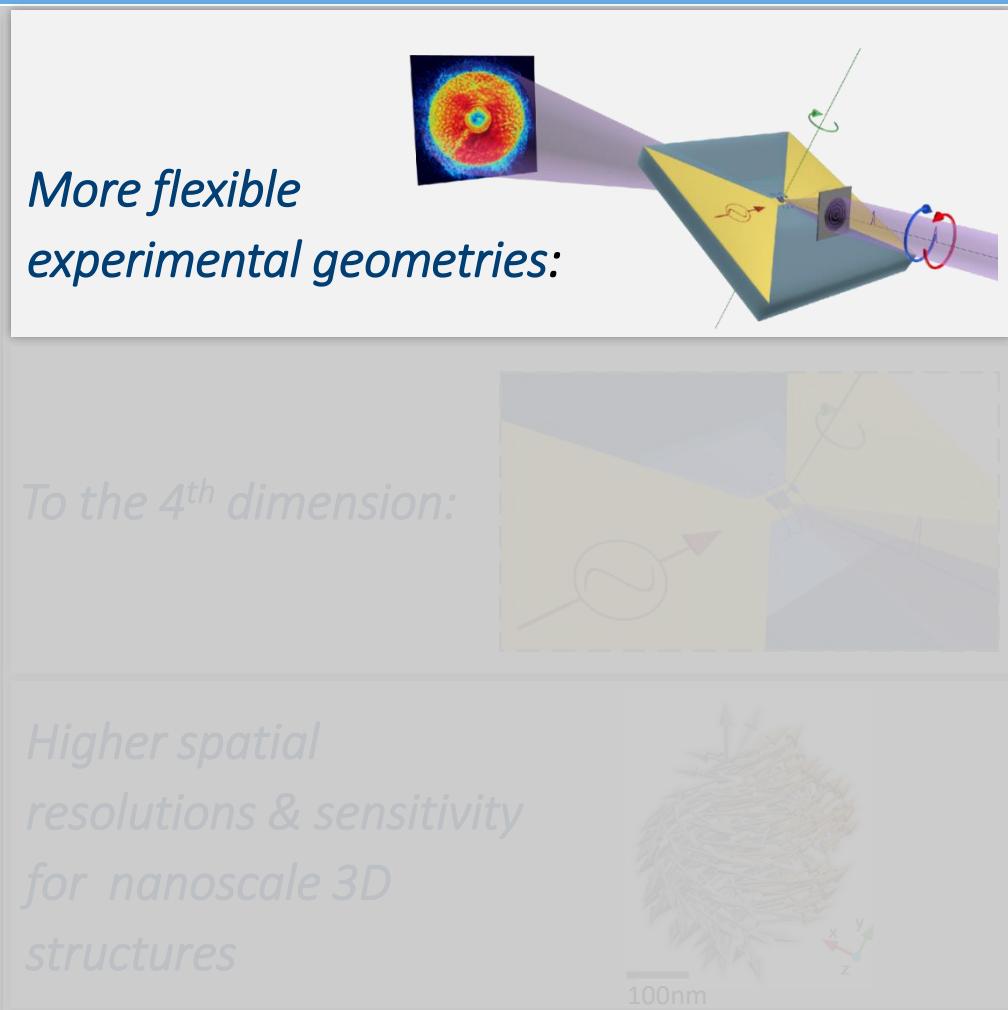
Laminography:
Rotation axis tilted towards the beam
Ideal for flat, extended samples
Consistent amount of material for different orientations



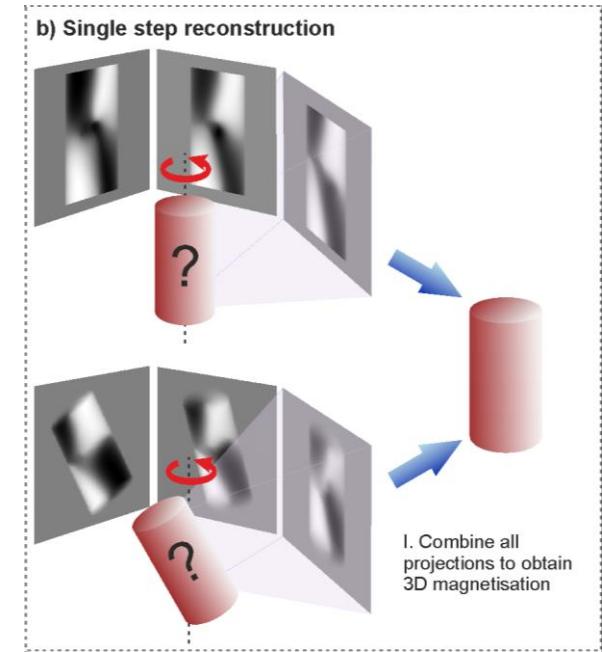
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First, need to generalise reconstruction algorithm to arbitrary geometries:



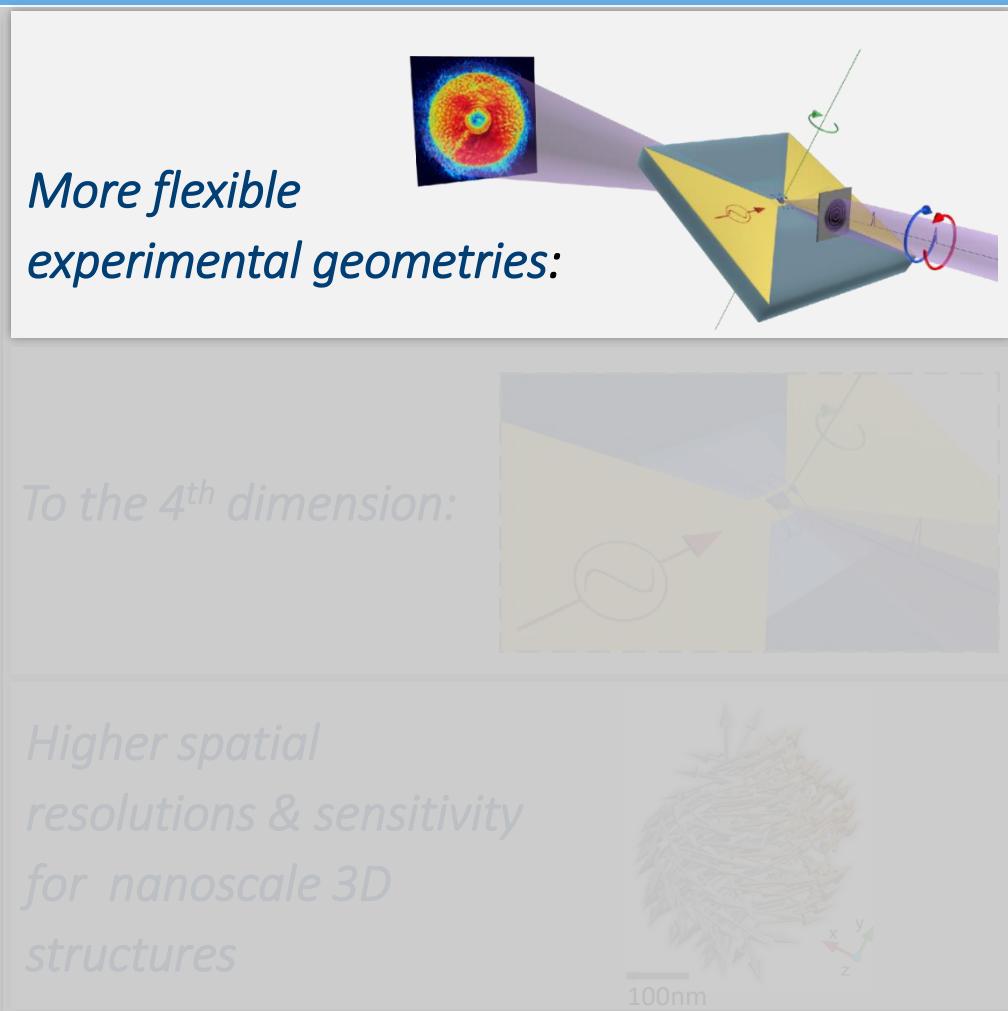
**Reconstruction algorithm available open access at:
10.5281/zenodo.1324335**



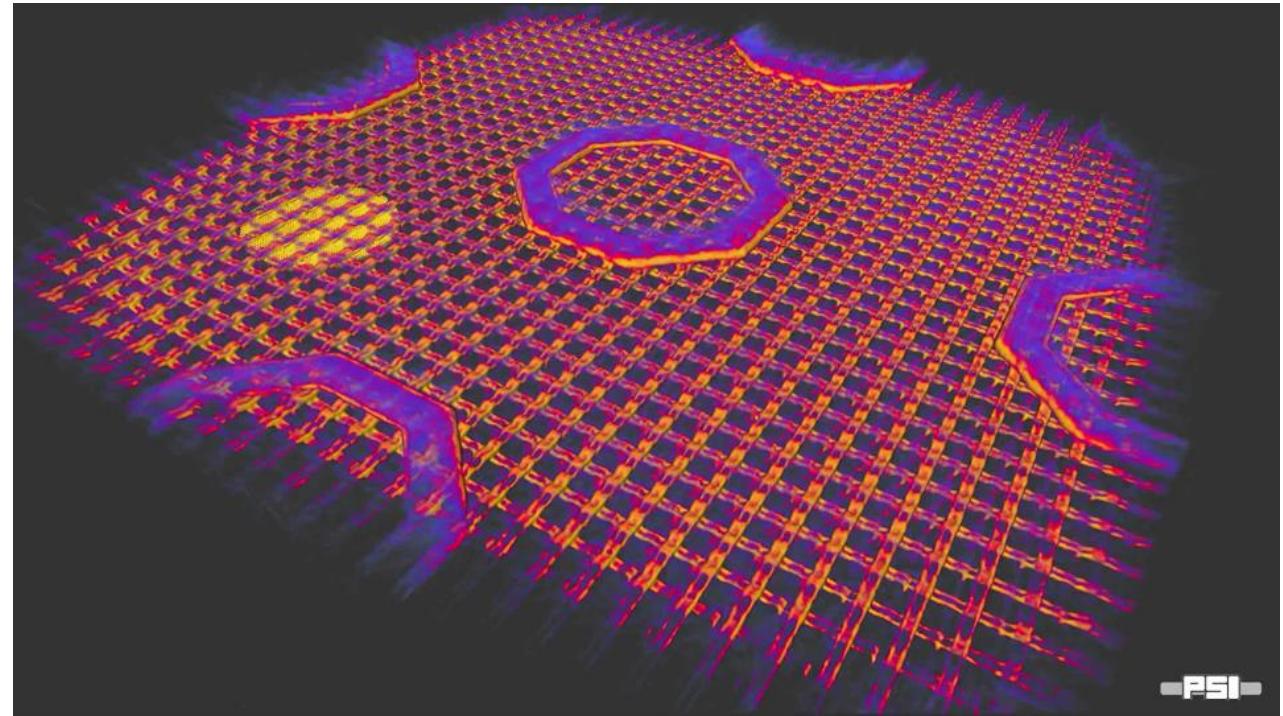
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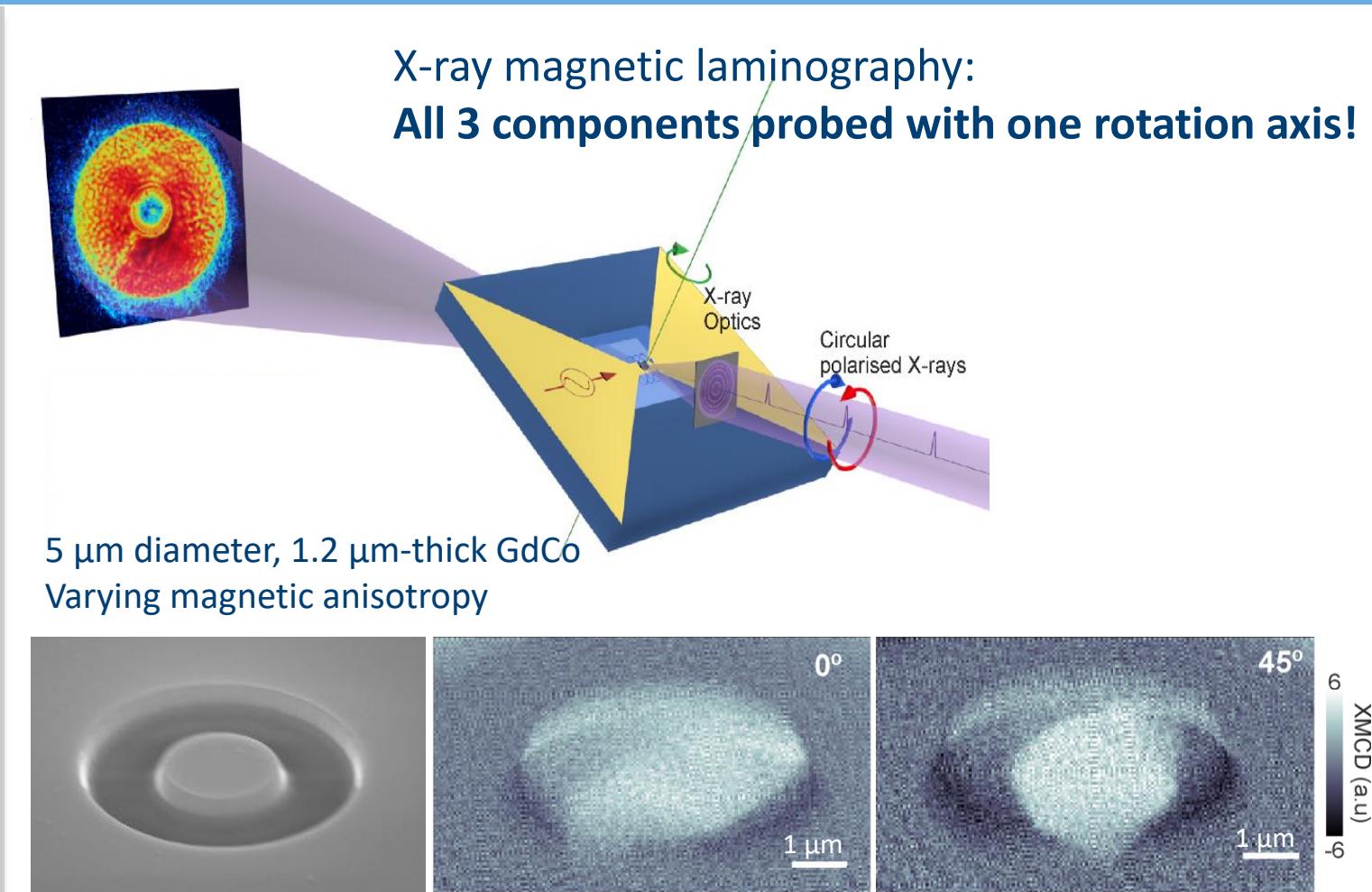
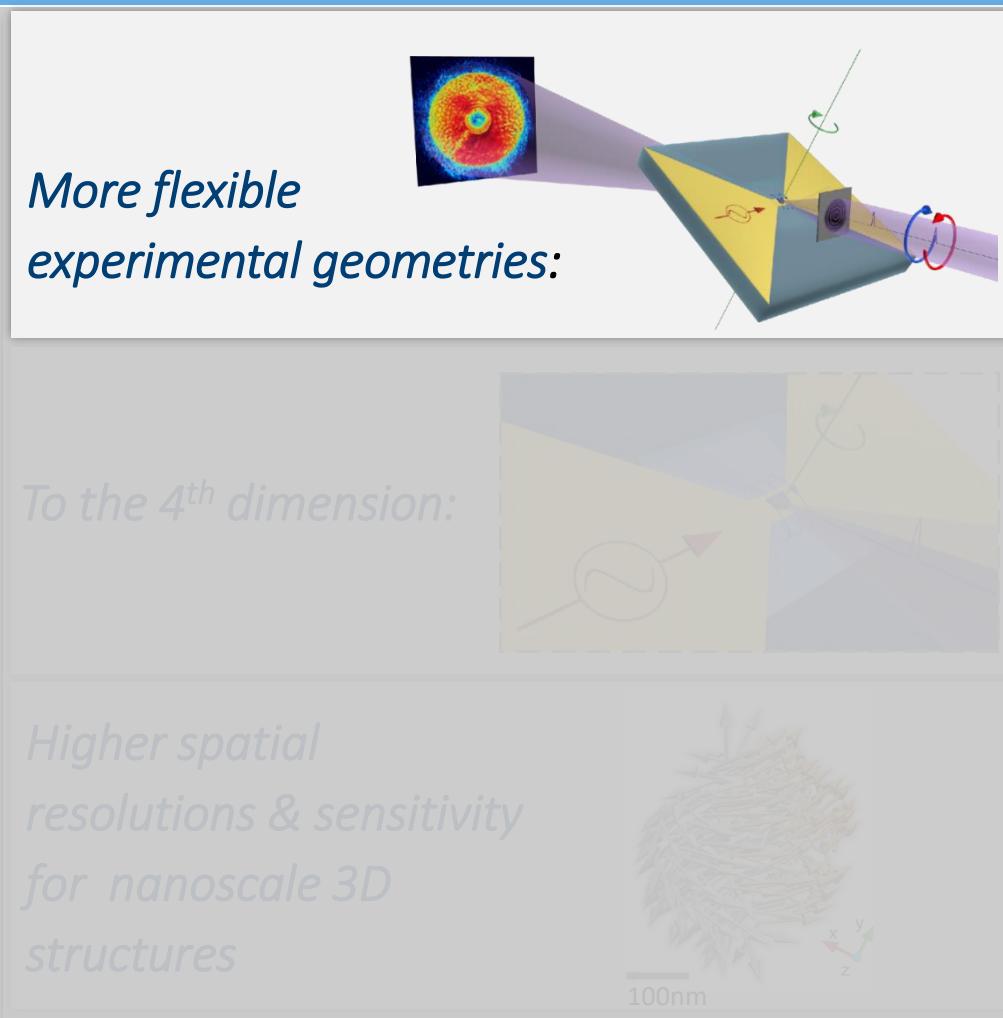
Then, we need a high resolution experimental setup: cSAXS beamline, SLS



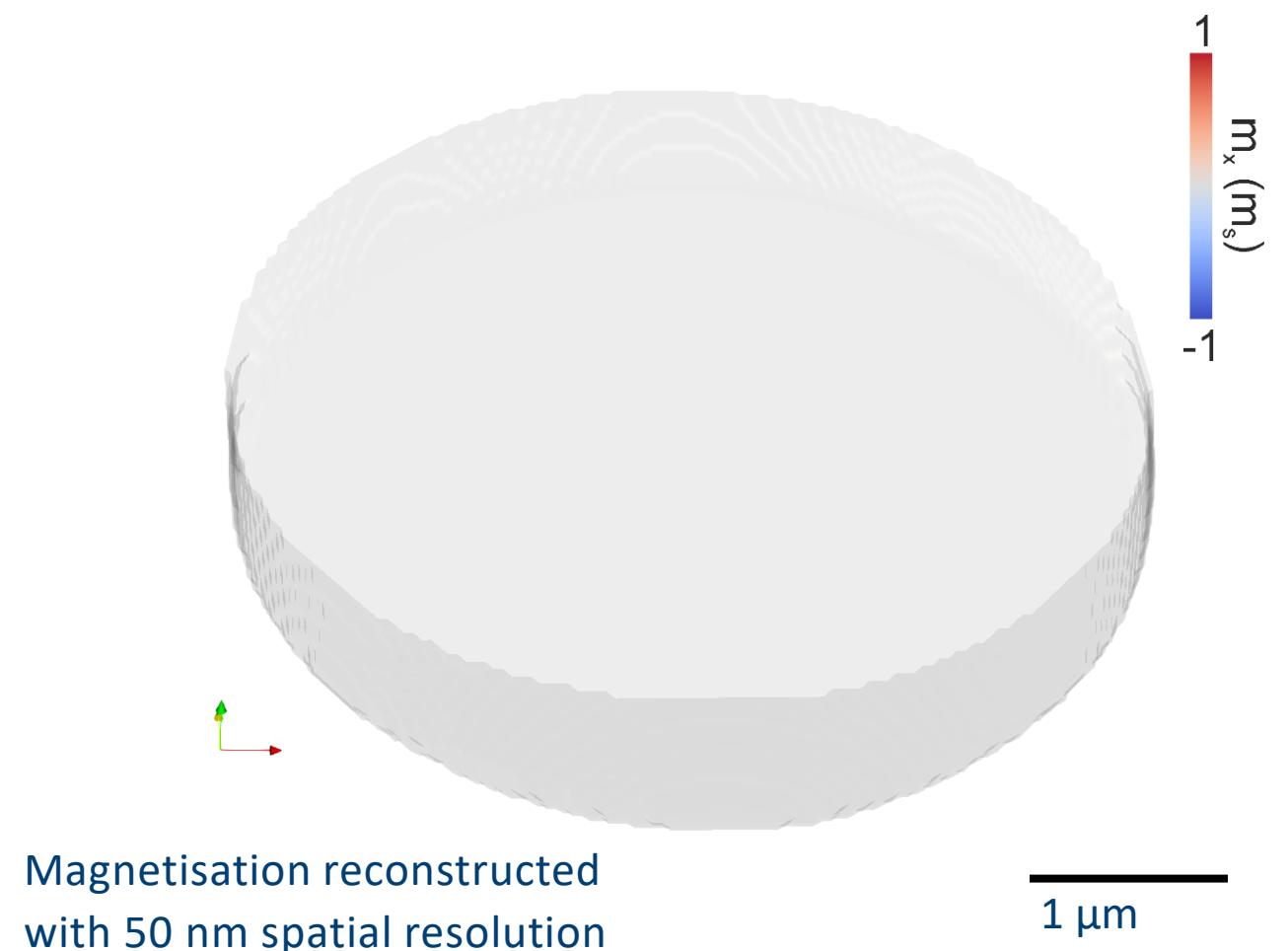
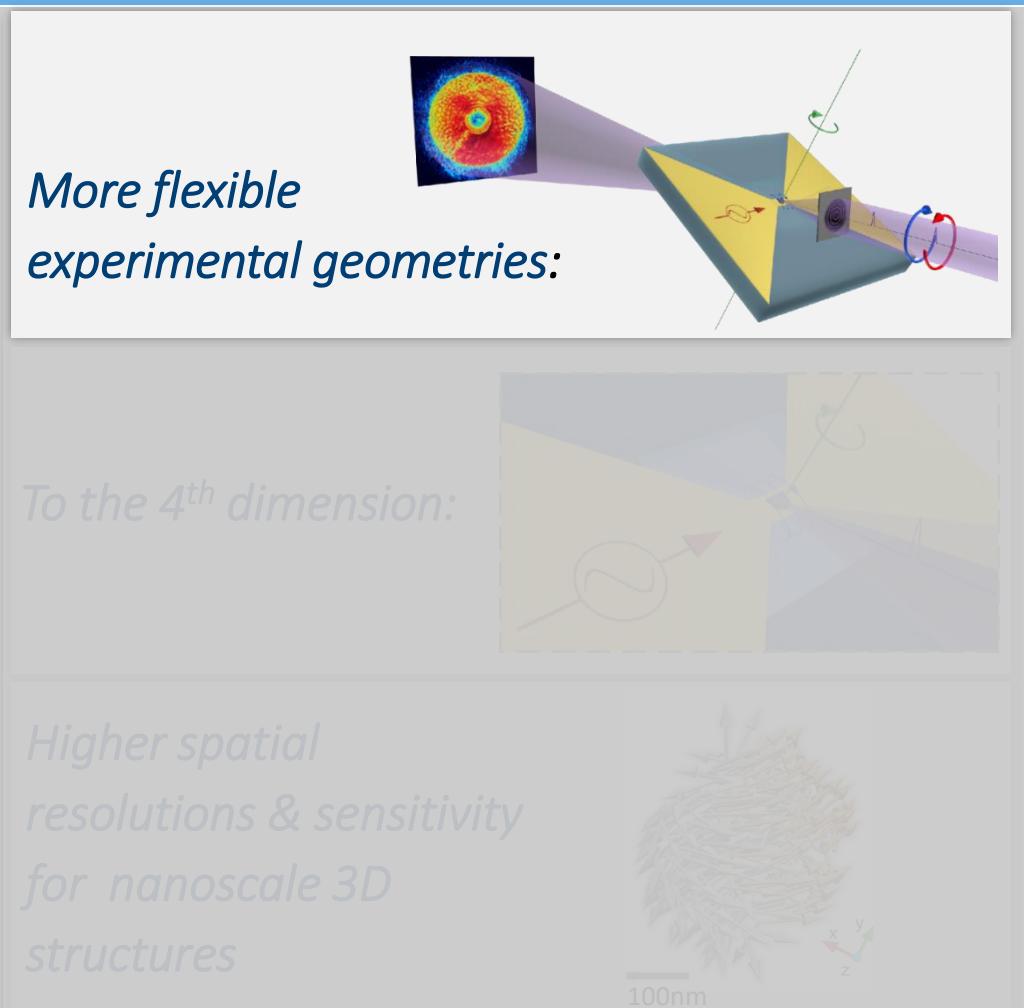
Mulit-scale hard X-ray laminography of an integrated circuit
Spatial resolution: <20 nm



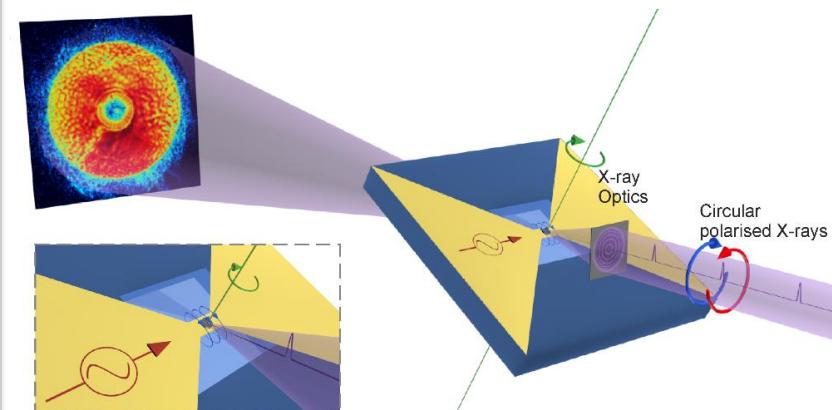
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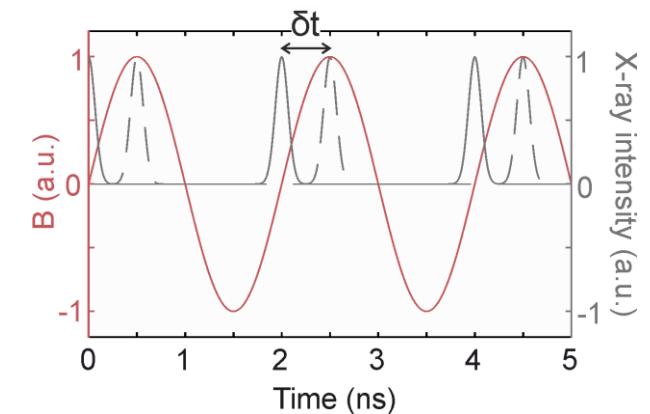
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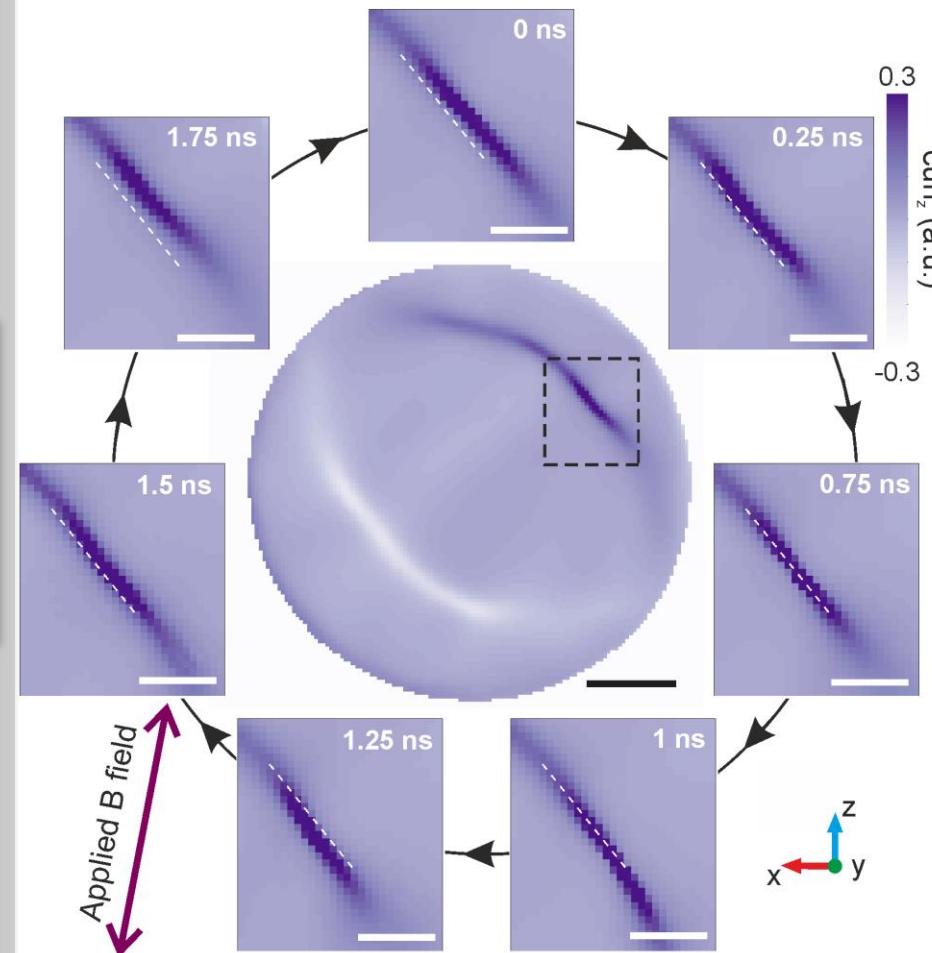
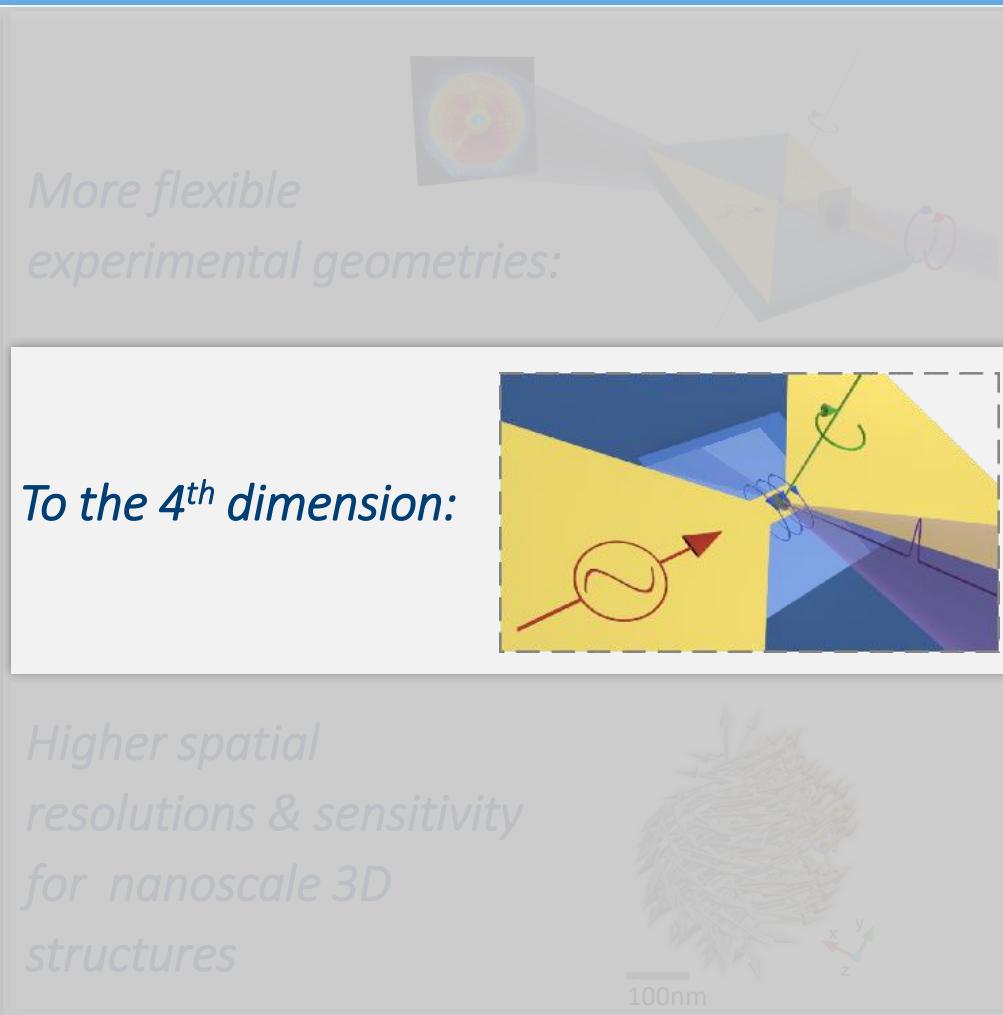
- Exploit pulsed waveform of synchrotron @ 500 MHz with 70 ps resolution
- Pass frequency & phase-matched excitation through stripline to create AC magnetic field



At multiple time-steps,
measure 3D laminography dataset
→ Four-dimensional magnetic information



3D magnetisation dynamics



Track fast motion
(200 m/s)
of topological structures
– *domain walls* –
with high accuracy

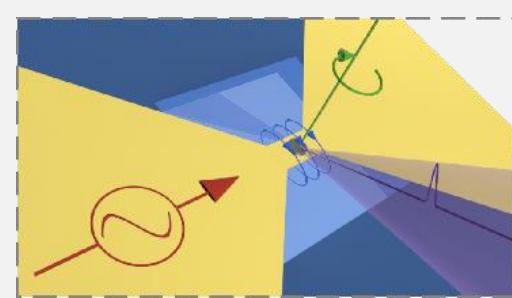


3D magnetisation dynamics

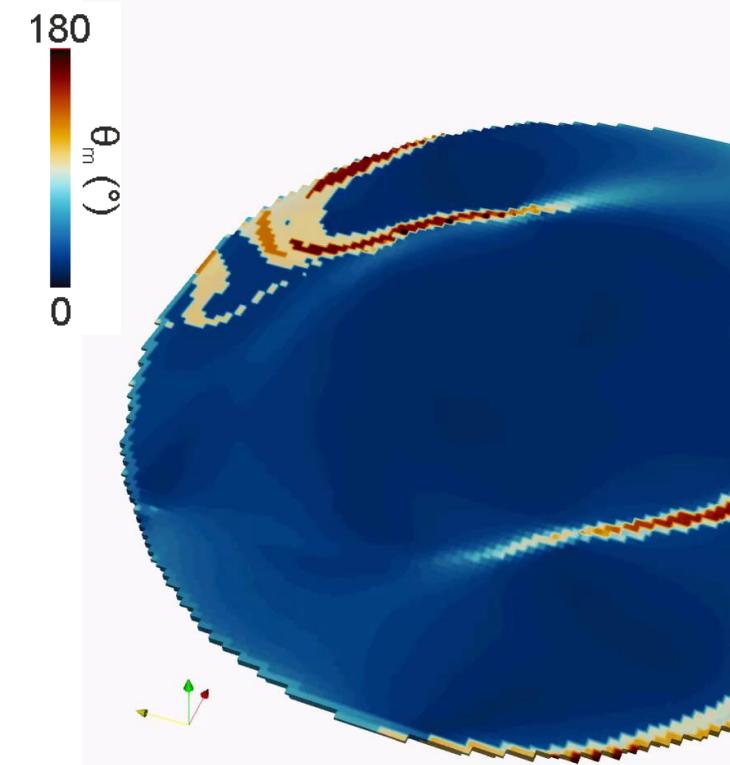
More flexible experimental geometries:



To the 4th dimension:



Higher spatial resolutions & sensitivity for nanoscale 3D structures



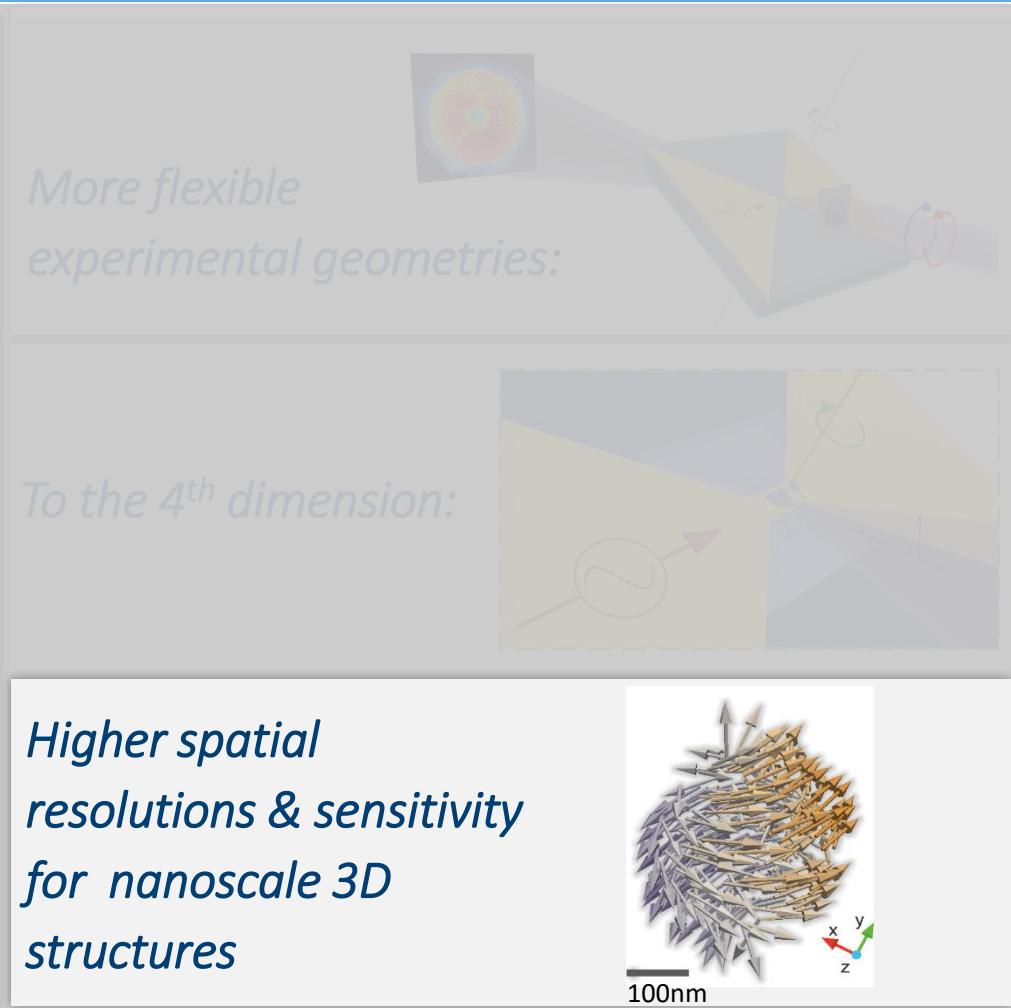
→ Map the modes of the magnetisation dynamics
Which are closely linked to 3D magnetic structure



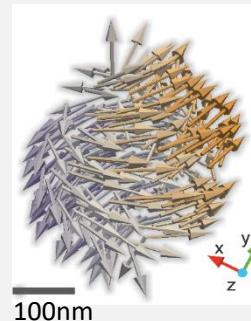
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Donnelly, Finizio, Gliga, Holler, Hrabec, Odstrčil, Mayr, Scagnoli, Heyderman, Guizar-Sicairos & Raabe, Nature Nanotechnology 15 356 (2020)

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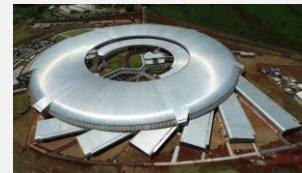


Smaller length scales → higher signal to noise ratio!

Higher coherent flux:

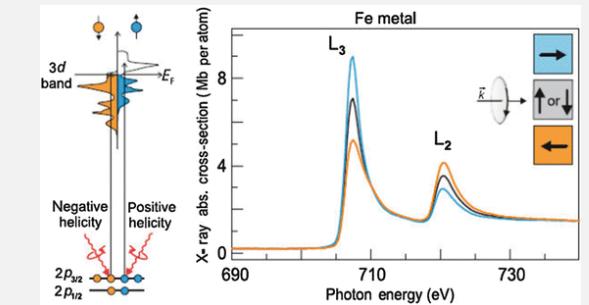
*Upgrades of 3rd generation:
ESRF-II SLS 2.0 Diamond II*

And the next generation!



*Providing up to 10³ more flux
in coming years*

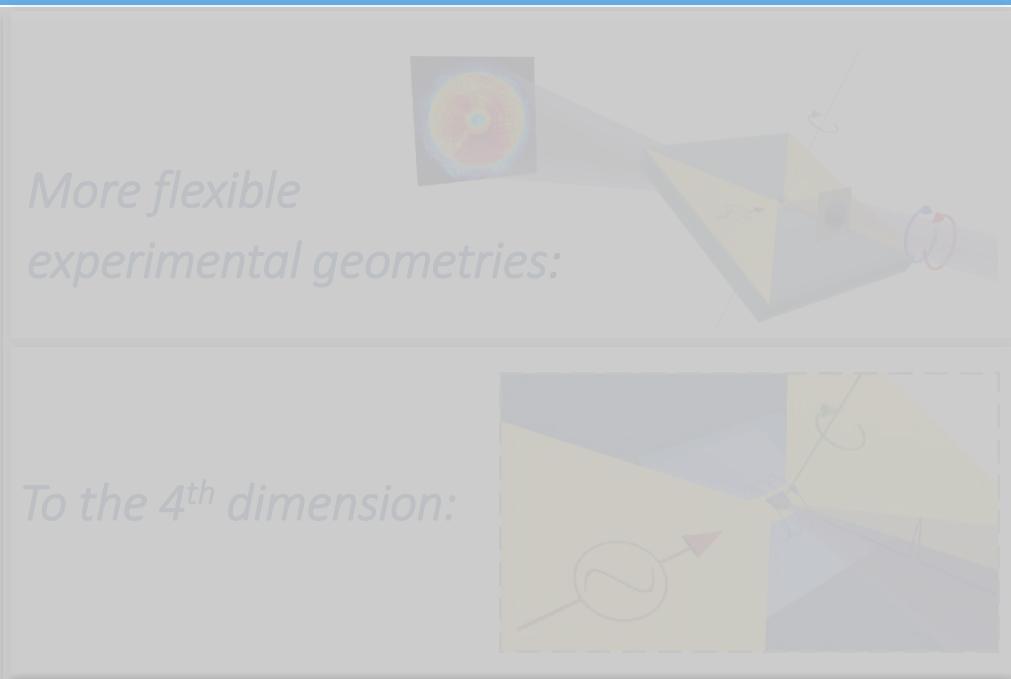
**Stronger signals:
→ soft X-rays**



*XMCD of transition metals:
Up to 100% of absorption*



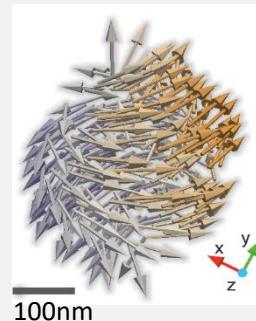
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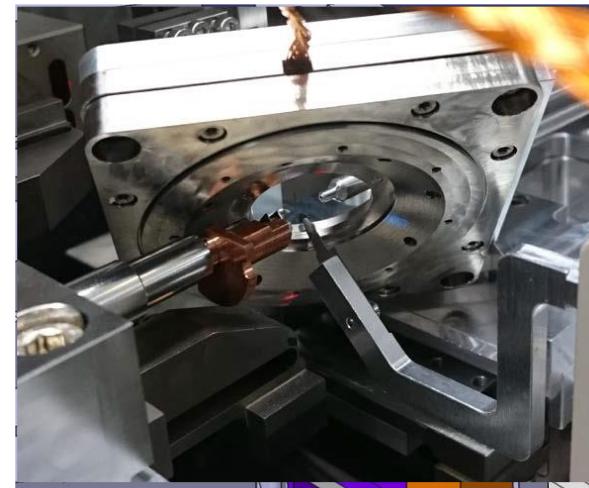
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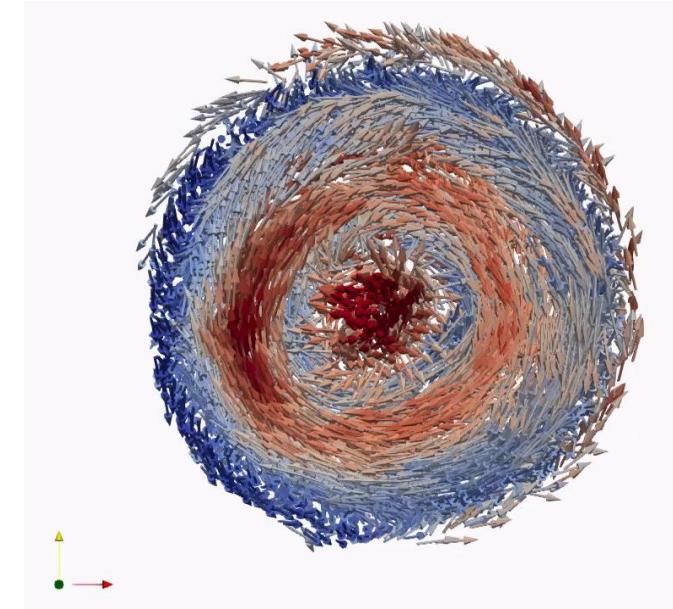


Soft X-ray STXM Laminography @ PoLLux, SLS



Setup implemented by
Katharina Witte, PSI.

Higher sensitivity of soft X-rays make probing nanostructures possible



Magnetic laminography of
“target skyrmion”

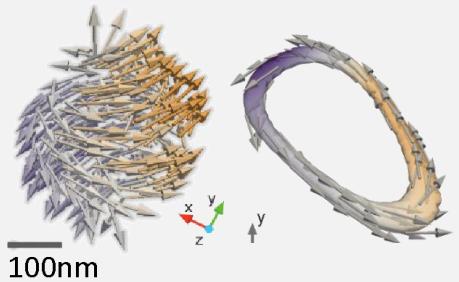


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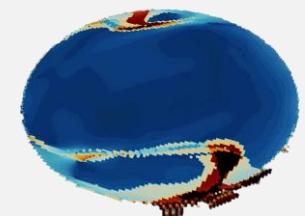
Witte, Späth, Finizio, Donnelly, Watts, Sarafimov, Odstrcil, Guizar-Sicairos, Holler, Fink & Raabe, Nano Letters **20** 1305 (2020)
J. Raabe et al., Rev Sci Instrum. 79 113704, (2008)

Experimental 3D nanomagnetism:

In the bulk:

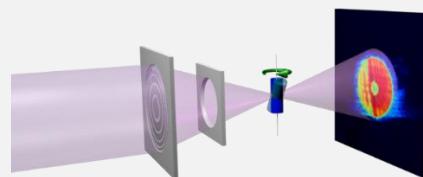


Observe 3D magnetic configurations

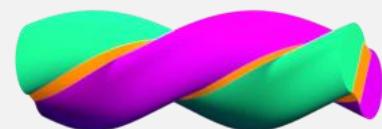


And their 3D magnetisation dynamics!

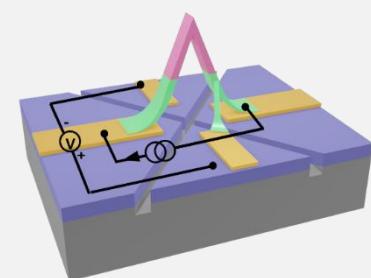
→ *3D imaging techniques*



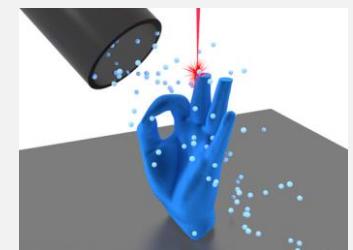
In patterned 3D structures:



Introduce geometric effects such as chirality



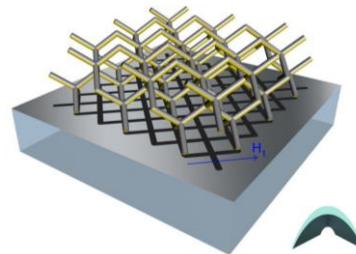
Realise 3D spintronics!



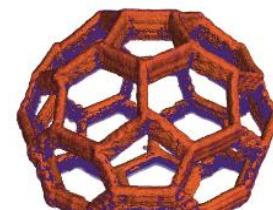
→ *3D nanofabrication*

Fabrication of 3D magnetic nanostructures?

Coated 3D scaffolds (2-photon lithography):



May et al., Comm. Phys. 2, 13 (2019)

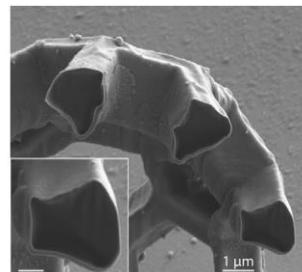


Donnelly et al., PRL (2015)



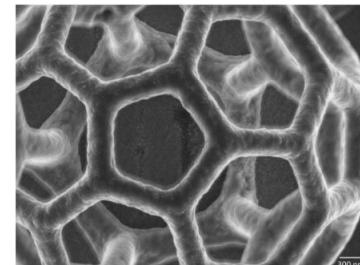
With new ways to achieve homogeneous deposition:

Electroless deposition:



Pip et al., Small (2020)

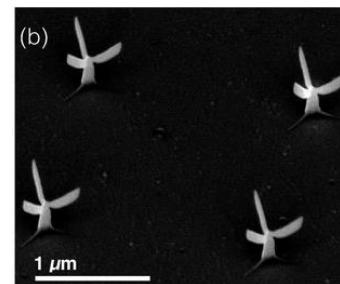
ALD + Electrodeposition:



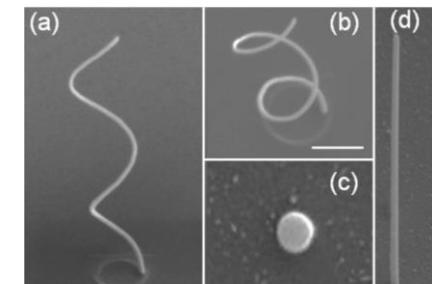
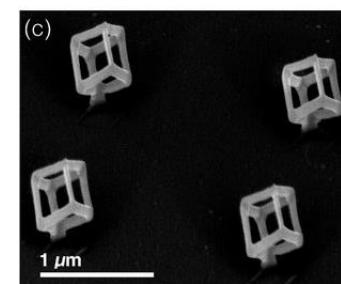
Gliga et al., Materials Today 26, 100 (2019)

Direct-write printing of magnetic materials (FEBID):

Nanowire-based structures & lattices:



Keller, et al., Sci. Rep. 8, 6160 (2018)

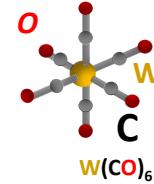
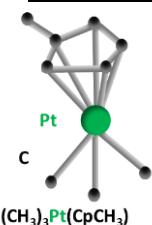
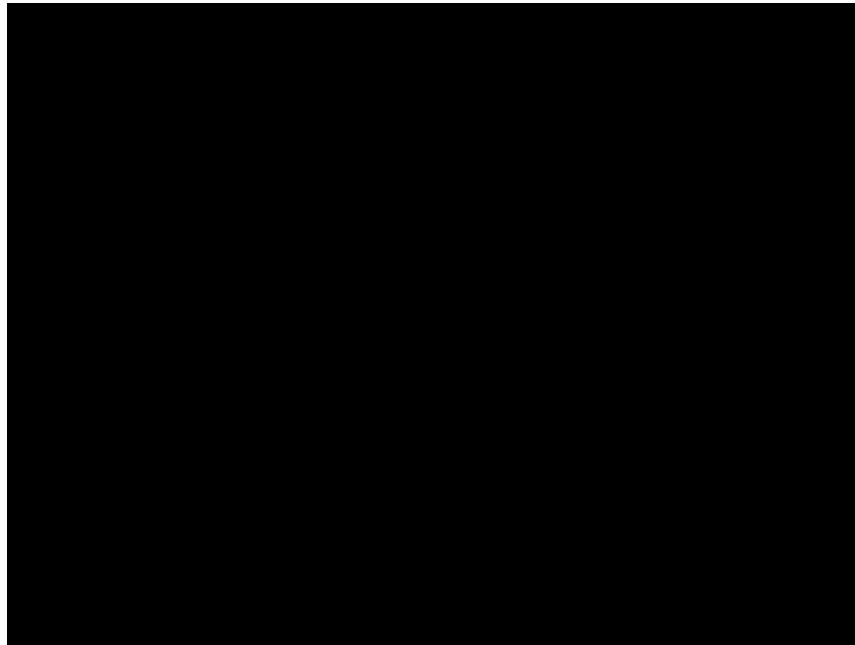


Fernandez-Pacheco et al.,
Sci. Rep. 3, 1492 (2013)

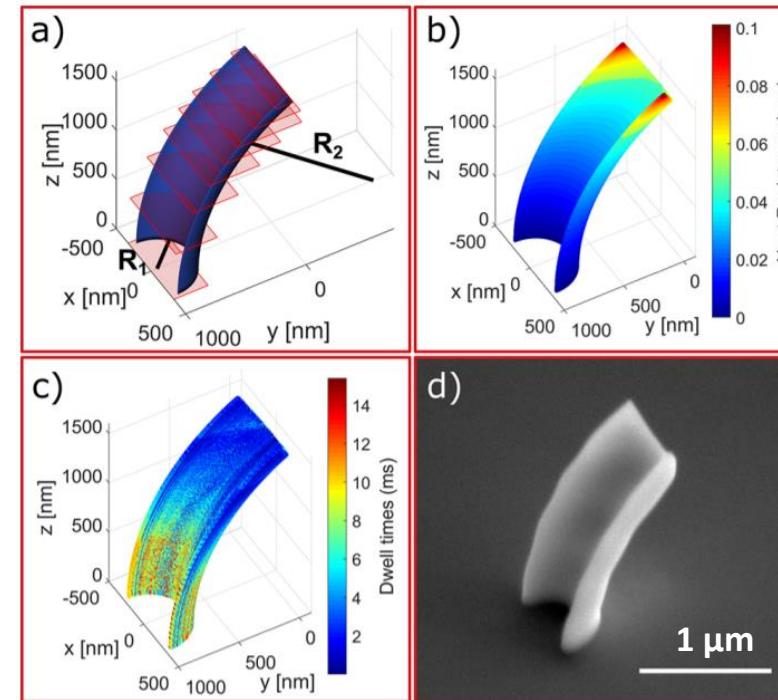
Beyond nanowires?

3D printing of magnetic materials

Combining focused electron-induced deposition (FEBID):



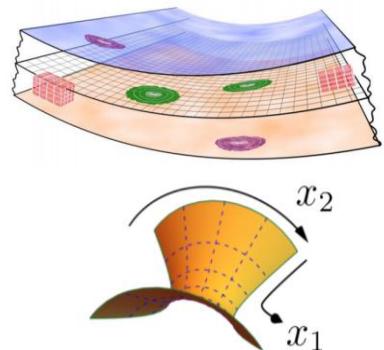
With CAD designs and a growth model:



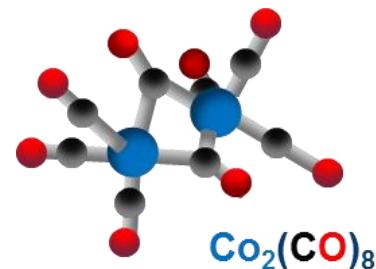
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Opening the door to...

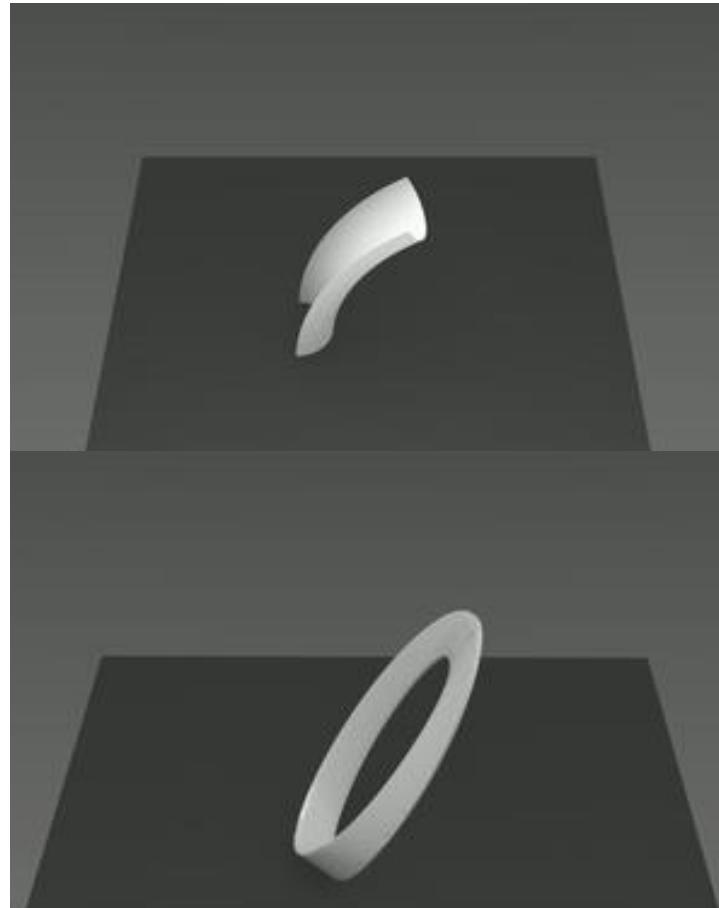
Curved surfaces



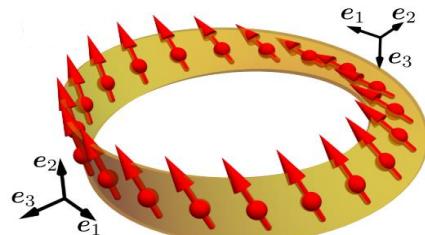
Sheka et al., Comm. Phys. **3**, 1 (2020).



3D model

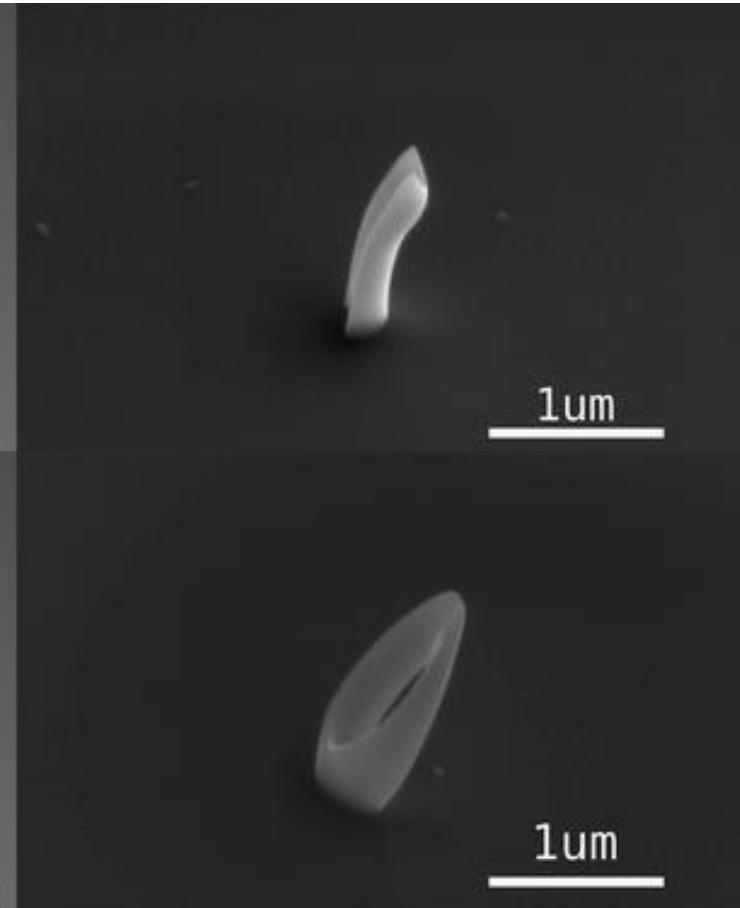


Topological objects



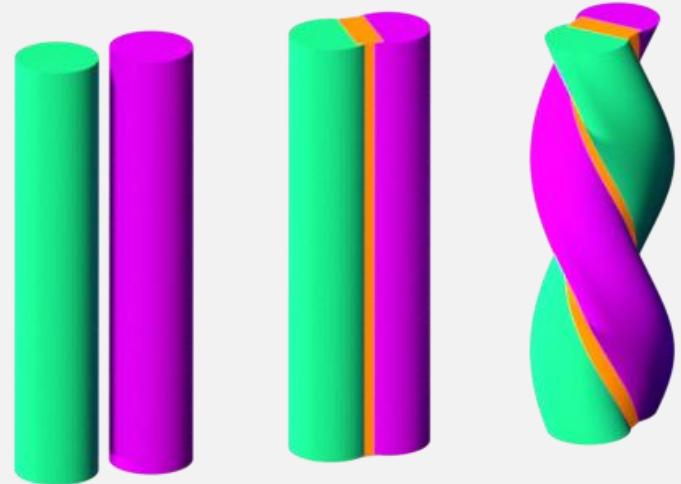
Gaididei et al., J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. **50**, 385401 (2017).

Fabricated structure



And with these new capabilities we can achieve:

Geometry-induced magnetochirality



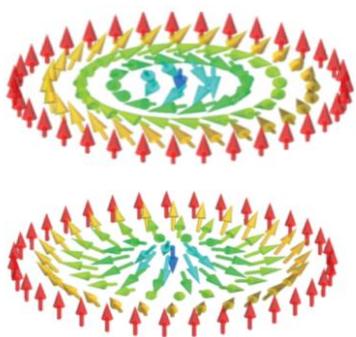
Stray field

Geometry-induced chirality

Chirality: DMI

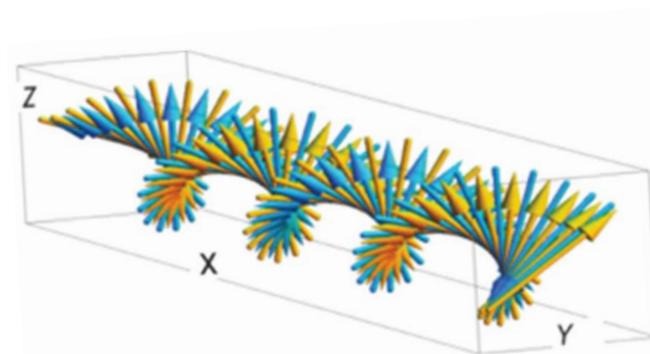
Results in exotic chiral states:

Skyrmi



Fert, et.al. Nat Rev Mat 2017

Spin Spirals

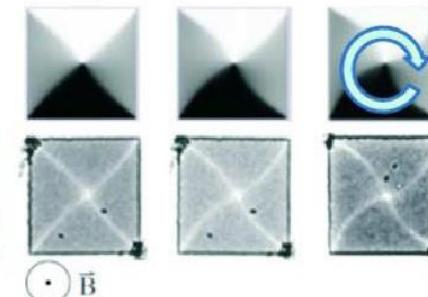


Vedmedenko et al, Phys. Rev. Lett., 2014

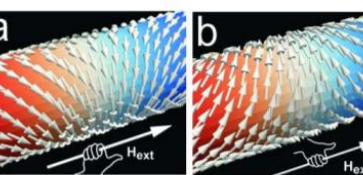
Until now, mostly required **specific** materials & interfaces

But...

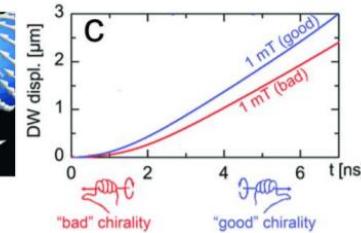
Chirality can also be induced via curvature:



Dietrich et al., PRB 77 174427 (2008)



Hertel, Spin 3 1340009 (2013)



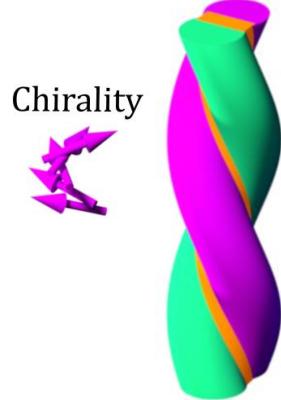
And *chiral geometries*:



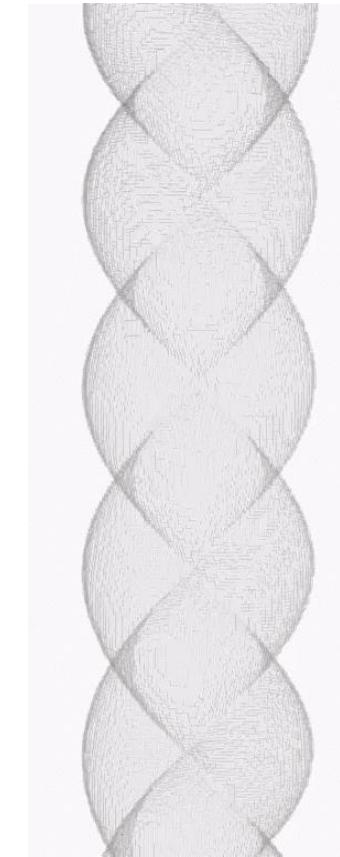
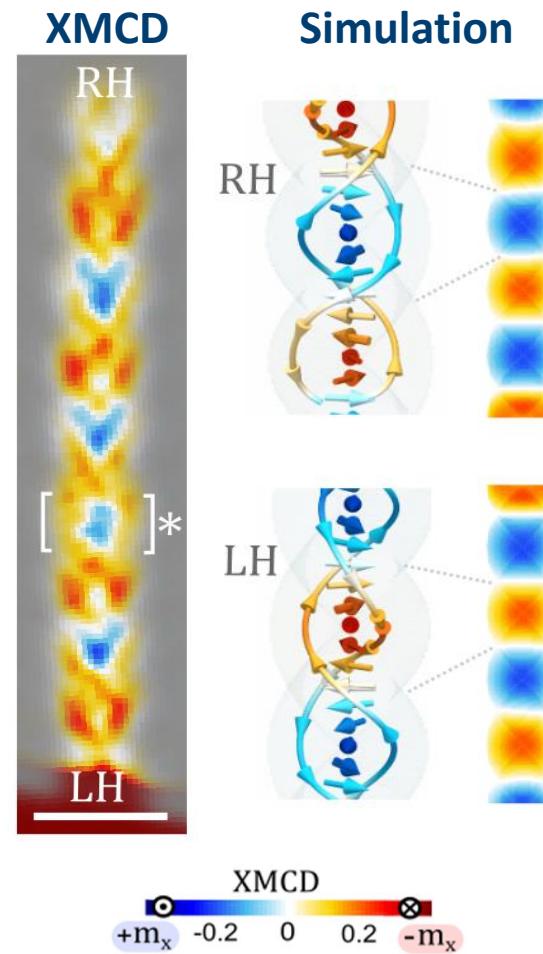
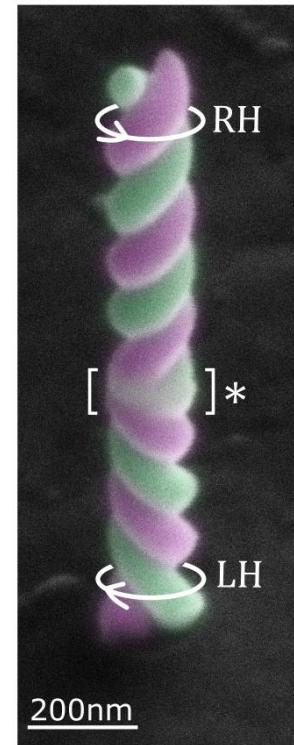
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ACS Nano 14, 8084 (2020)

Artificial double helix



→
with FEBID



Helical Bloch
domain-wall
(Spin Spiral)

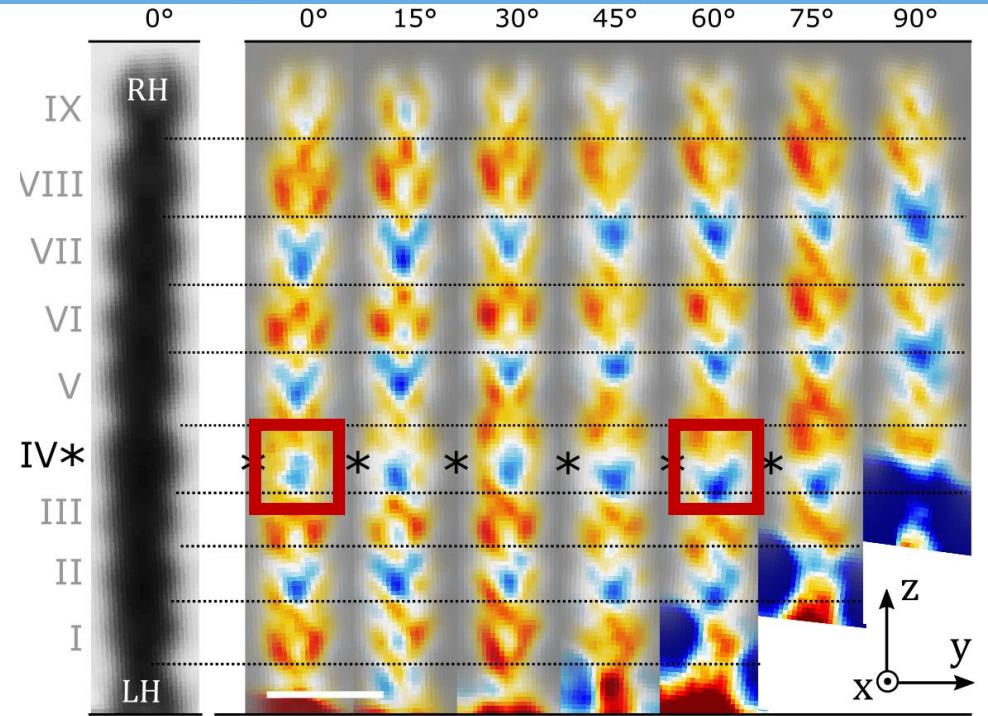
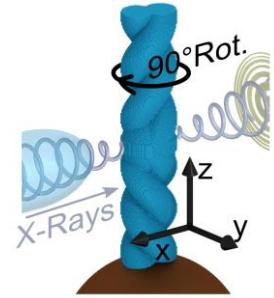
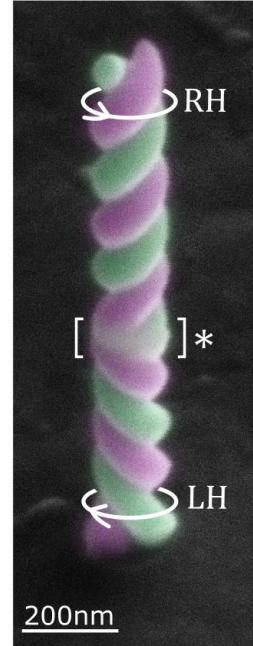
→ Chiral domain
wall!



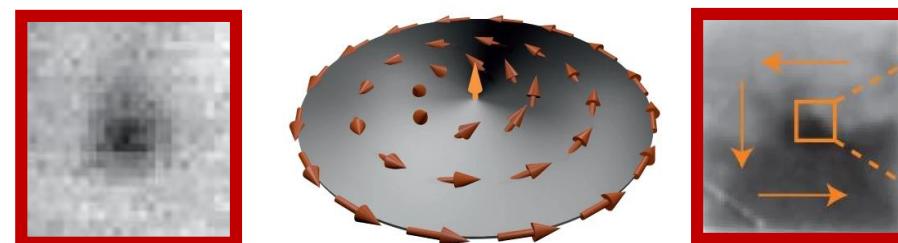
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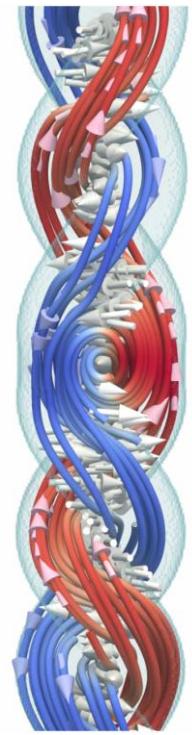
Artificial double helix



What happens at the threshold?



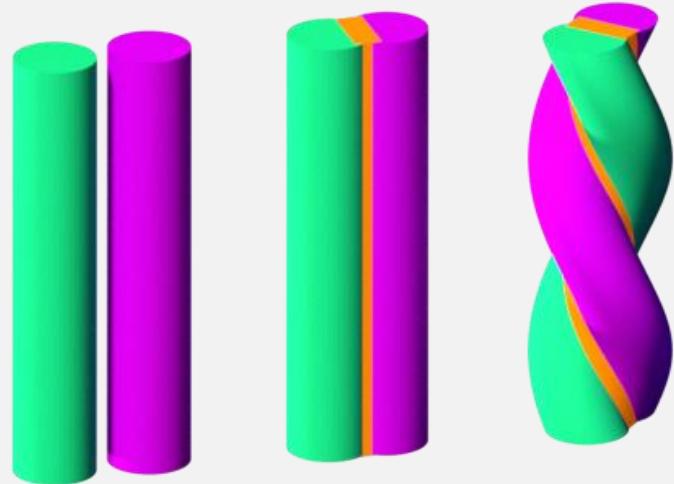
Wintz et al., Nat. Nano. 11, 948 (2016)



*Topological defect
– vortex! –
at chirality threshold*

And with these new capabilities we can achieve:

Geometry-induced magnetochirality



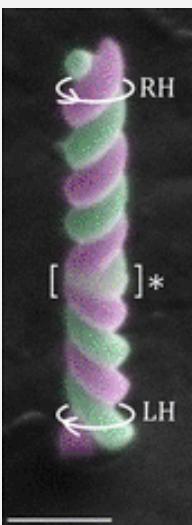
Stray field



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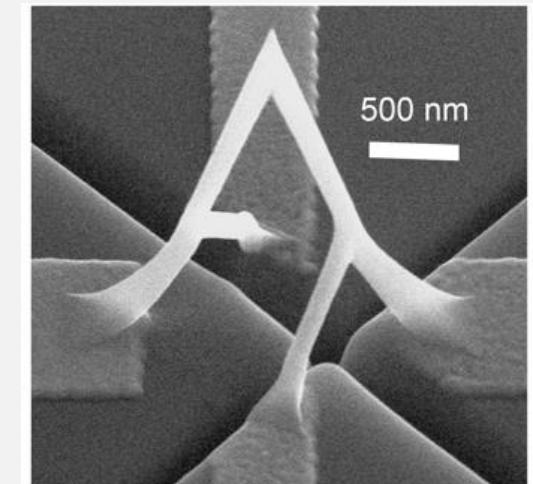
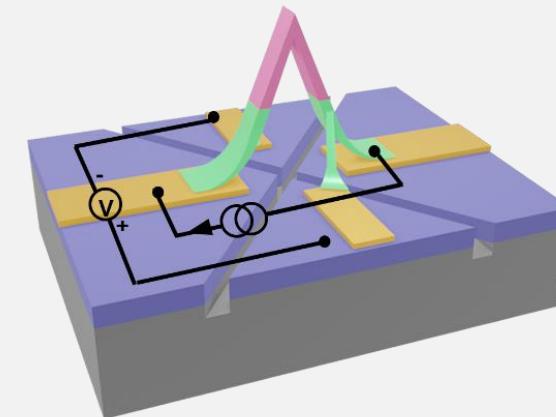


Chirality



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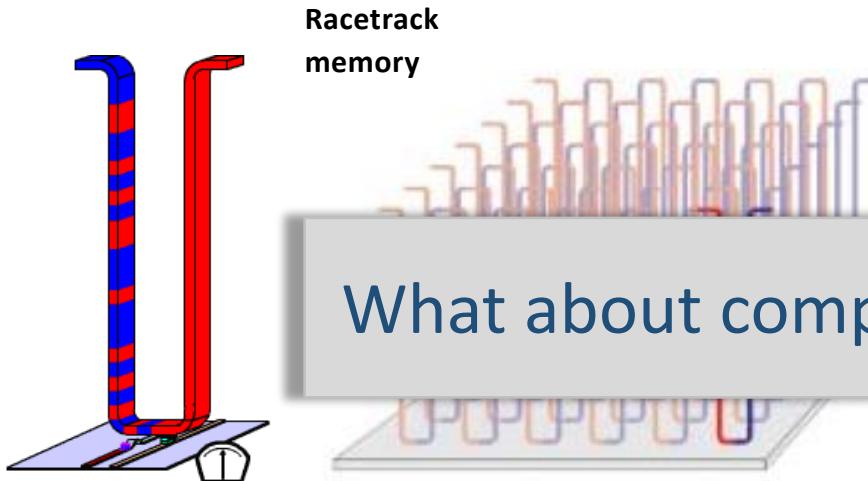
Bringing spintronics to 3D



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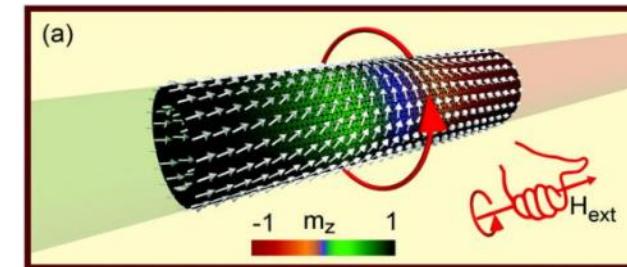
3D spintronics promises...

High memory densities:



Parkin *et al.*, Science **320**, 190 (2008)

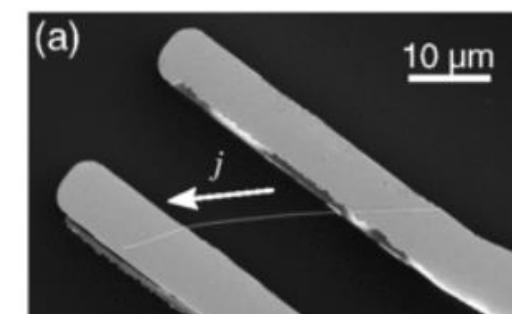
Fast, chiral, domain wall motion



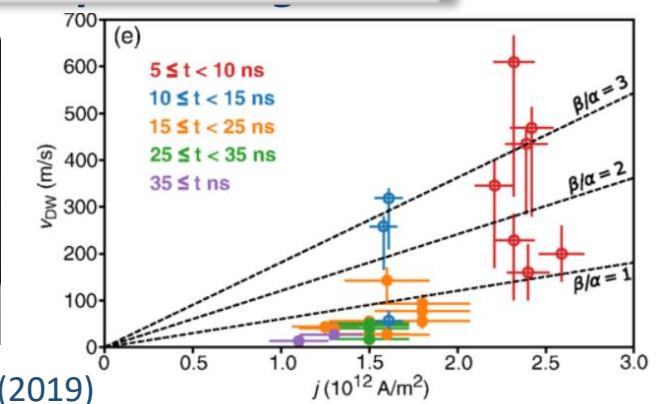
Yan *et al.*, APL **100**, 252401 (2012)

What about complex three-dimensional spintronics devices?

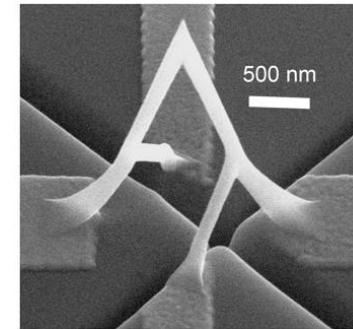
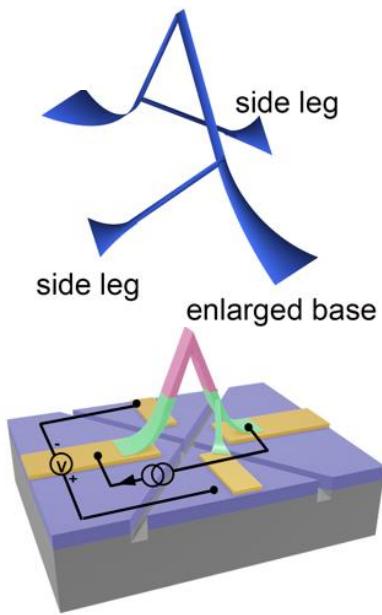
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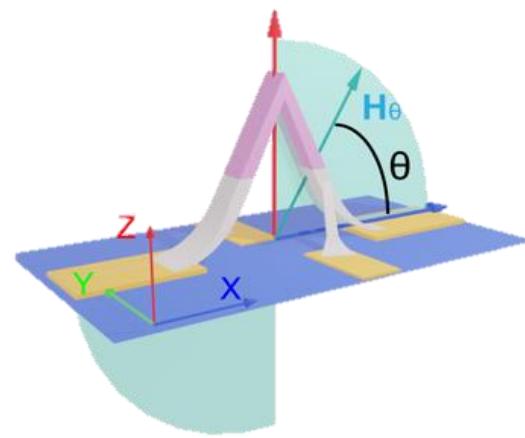
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Our 3D device: a cobalt nanobridge

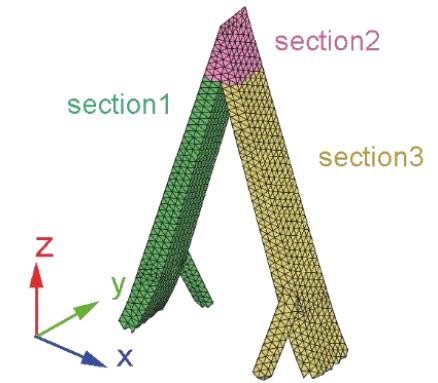


To understand the magnetotransport in 3D:



Angular dependence of the magnetotransport

We combine:



Finite element and macrospin simulations

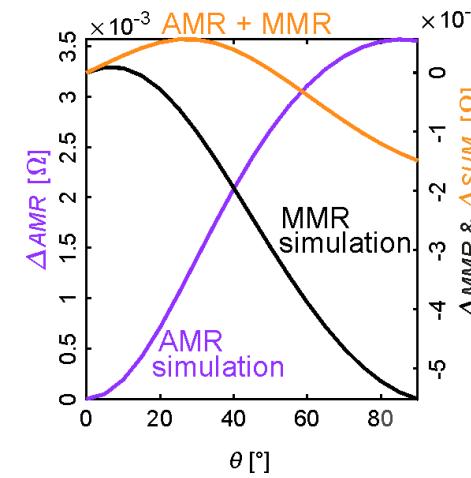
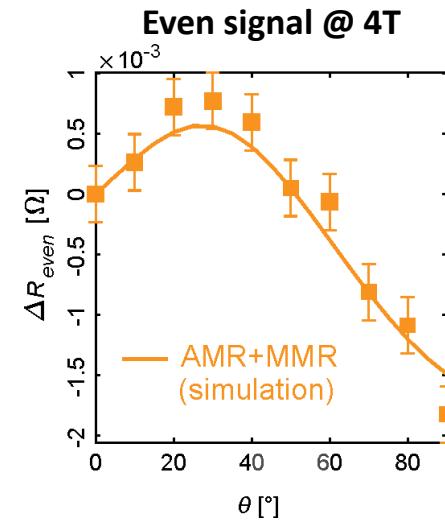
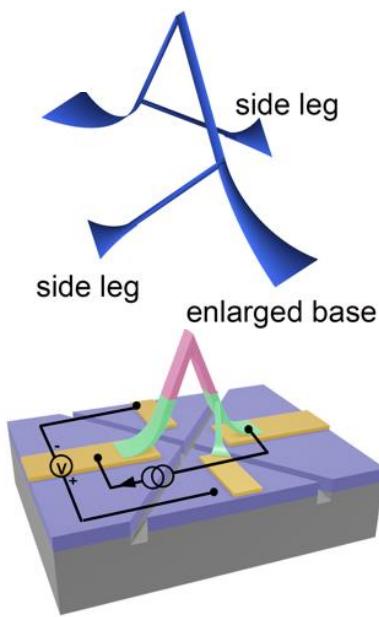
→ *Characterise magnetoelectrical properties*



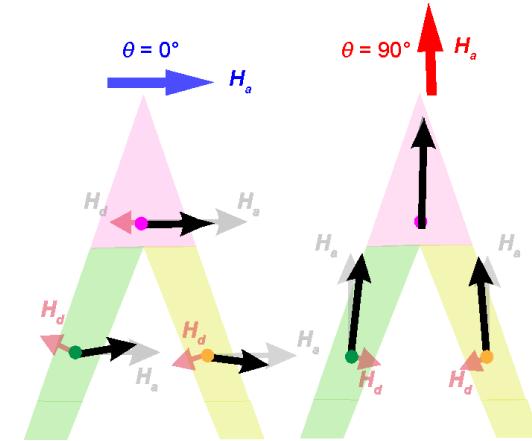
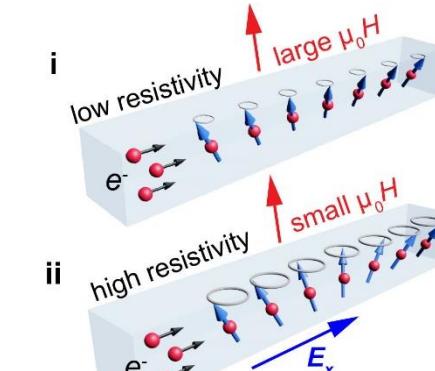
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Meng, Donnelly, Abert, Skoric, Holmes, Xiao, Liao, Newton, Barnes, Sanz-Hernandez, Hierro-Rodriguez, Suess, Cowburn, Fernandez-Pacheco,
Submitted, arXiv:2011.09199 [cond-mat.mes-hall]

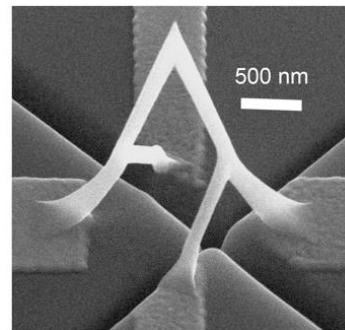
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Magnon Magnetoresistance (MMR)



→ Magnon magnetoresistance: strongly influences the transport
→ Due to importance of magnetostatics in 3D



Nanoprototyping method → extendable to wide variety of geometries!

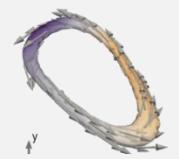


Conclusions



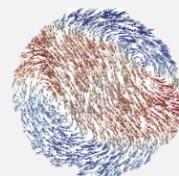
Magnetic tomography: Bloch points

Donnelly et al., Nature **547**, 328 (2017)



Observation of magnetic vortex rings

Donnelly et al., Nature Physics (Accepted)



Hard & soft magnetic laminography

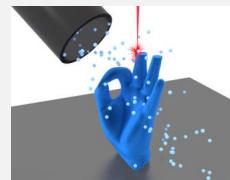
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Magnetisation dynamics in 3D

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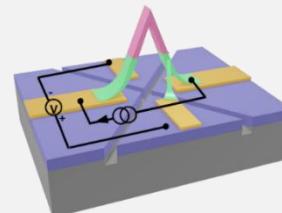
3D printing of magnetic nanostructures

Skoric et al., Nano Letters **20**, 184 (2020)



Chiral magnetic nanostructures

Sanz-Hernandez et al., ACS Nano **14**, 8084 (2020)



Towards 3D spintronics...

Meng et al., arXiv:2011.09199 [cond-mat.mes-hall]

& Outlook...

Higher spatial resolution with
next generation + upgrades

Statics and dynamics of 3D
magnetic systems!

Topologically non-trivial
3D structures!