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WMI All-electrical angular momentum Technische Universität München transport in antiferromagnetic insulators and isolated ferromagnetic metals

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# Antiferromagnetic Spintronics

#### **THz Dynamics**



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#### **Electrical Switching**



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#### **Non-collinear Antiferromagnets**



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## Strain and magnetic domains



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S.W. Cheong et al., npj Quantum Mater. 5, 3 (2020)



### Atomically sharp domain walls in CuMnAs



F. Krizek et al., Sci. Adv.8, eabn3535 (2022)



# Spin degeneracy in antiferromagnets



time-reversal ( $\mathcal{T}$ ) symmetry broken via magnetization



#### $\mathcal{T}$ -symmetry

Kramers spin degeneracy

Spin-orbit interaction allows for spin splitting → Other more robust effects?

L. Šmejkal et al., Phys. Rev. X 12, 040501 (2022). 5



## Non-collinear Antiferromagnets





## Anomalous Hall effect in non-collinear Mn<sub>3</sub>Sn



Finite net magnetic moment controlled via external magnetic field

S. Nakatsuji *et al., Nature* **527**, 212 (2015) 7



# Anomalous Hall effect in non-collinear Mn<sub>3</sub>Sn





# Anomalous Nernst effect (ANE) Mn<sub>3</sub>Sn



Weiler *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **108**, 106602 (2012) Reichlova *et al.*, Nature Communications **10**, 5459 (2019)



## Charge to Spin current conversion Mn<sub>3</sub>Sn

#### Charge to Spin current

Spin to Charge current





### Tunneling Magnetoresistance Mn<sub>3</sub>Pt



Quin *et al.*, Nature **613**, 485 (2023).



#### Altermagnetism



Z. Feng et al., Nature Electronics 5, 735 (2022)

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### Altermagnetism



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## Altermagnets and d-wave superconductivity



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### Node symmetries

Spin-momentum locking			G	$\mathbf{R}^{\mathrm{III}}_{s}$	н	A	Candidate	Spin-momentum locking			G	$\mathbf{R}^{\mathrm{III}}_{s}$	н	A	Candidate
Planar (Kwy, Kz)	P-2 d-wave		mmm 4/m 4/mmm	²m²m1m (8)	2/m mmm	C2x	La2CuO4, FeSb2	Bulk		e ive () t ive ()	2/m 3m 6/m	<sup>2</sup> 2/ <sup>2</sup> m (4) <sup>1</sup> 3 <sup>2</sup> m (12) <sup>2</sup> 6/ <sup>2</sup> m (12)	7 3	C <sub>22</sub>	CuF2
				24/1m (8)		C41	KRu4O8		d-wave						
		(ks, ky)		<sup>2</sup> 4/1m <sup>2</sup> m1m (16)		C4	RuO <sub>2</sub> , MnO <sub>2</sub> , MnF <sub>2</sub>		-						
	P-4 g-wave			14/1m2m2m (16)	4/m	C <sub>2x</sub>	KMnF3		B-4 <i>g-</i> wave					C <sub>6z</sub>	0013, 1613, 16203
											6/mmm	<sup>2</sup> 6/ <sup>2</sup> m <sup>2</sup> m <sup>1</sup> m (24)	3m	C67	CrSb, MnTe, VNb <sub>3</sub> S <sub>6</sub>
	P-6 /-wave		6/mmm	<sup>1</sup> 6/1 <sup>m2</sup> m <sup>2</sup> m (24)	6/m	C2t			B-6 /-wave		m3m	1m132m (48)	m3	C4z	

#### L. Šmejkal, J. Sinova, and T. Jungwirth, Phys. Rev. X 12, 031042 (2022)







A.B. Hellenes, arXiv 2309.01607 (2023)

# Angle-resolved photoelectron emission spectroscopy MnTe



#### J. Krempaský et al., Nature 626, 517 (2024)



#### Anomalous Hall effect in RuO2



Z. Feng et al., Nature Electronics 5, 735 (2022)

T. Tschirner *et al., APL Mater.* **11**, 101103 (2023) <sup>17</sup>

# Charge-to-Spin current conversion RuO<sub>2</sub>











A. Bose et al., Nature Electronics 5, 267 (2022)



#### Altermagnetic magnons



Other excitations?



RA (kΩ μm²)

#### Appetizer





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## All-electrical Spin Current Generation and Detection





## All-Electrical Magnon Transport



SHE induced magnon generation



SHE induced magnon absorption

#### Joule heating induced magnon generation

Bender and Tserkovnyak, PRB **91**, 140402 (2015). Cornelissen *et al.*, Nat. Phys. **11**, 1022 (2015). Goennenwein *et al.*, APL **107**, 172405 (2015). Cornelissen et al., PRB **94**, 014412 (2016).

Electrically controlled magnon accumulation/depletion in thermal magnon gas

Lebrun *et al.*, Nature **561**, 222 (2018).

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# All-Electrical Magnon Transport

Experiment:

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electrical injection and detection of magnon diffusion in MOI

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## Antiferromagnetic Magnons





## Antiferromagnetic Magnons Described via Pseudospin



A. Kamra





General concept also applicable to other bosonic systems, e.g. photons, phonons

T. Wimmer *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **125** , 247204 (2020). A. Kamra *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B **102**, 174445 (2020).



## Antiferromagnetic Magnons Described via Pseudospin



Pseudospin S

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- Pseudospin S direction determines the polarization state of the magnon modes and their superpositions
- Finite magnon spin is given by z component of S
- Mapping of up- and downspin states similar to Bloch sphere description of a twolevel system

# WMI

# Mode Coupling $\Omega$ and Pseudospin Diffusion Equation



What happens when they couple?



Mode coupling  $\Omega$  induced via breaking of rotational symmetry about the Neel vector  $\pmb{n}$ 

Diffusive pseudospin transport equation:

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} = D\nabla^2 S - \frac{S}{\tau_{\rm s}} + S \times \Omega \,\hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

S : pseudospin density vector D: diffusion constant  $au_s$ : spin lifetime  $\Omega$ : coherent coupling between 'spin-up' and 'spin-down' modes  $\rightarrow$ precession frequency of pseudospin

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# Pseudospin Precession Frequency in Hematite and 1D Solution of Pseudospin Diffusion Equation





In hematite: coupling  $\Omega$  determined by easy-plane anisotropy and DMI induced canting

Pseudospin precession frequency:

 $\hbar\Omega = \hbar\widetilde{\omega}_{\rm an} - \mu_0 m_{net0} H$ 

 $s_{z}(z) = \frac{j_{s0}\lambda_{s}}{D(a^{2}+b^{2})}e^{\frac{-az}{\lambda_{s}}}\left(b\cos\left(\frac{b\,z}{\lambda_{s}}\right) - a\sin\left(\frac{b\,z}{\lambda_{s}}\right)\right)$ 

with 
$$a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + \Omega^2 \tau_s^2}}$$
 and  $b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{-1 + \sqrt{1 + \Omega^2 \tau_s^2}}$   
and  $\lambda_s = \sqrt{D\tau_s}$  spin Diffusion Length

T. Wimmer *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **125** , 247204 (2020). A. Kamra *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B **102**, 174445 (2020).

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 $m_{net0}$ : canted magnetic moment at zero external field

 $\rightarrow$  DMI-induced canting

 $\omega_{an}$ : easy-plane anisotropy energy



# Sample Layout and Properties: $Pt/\alpha - Fe_2O_3$ (hematite)



J. Han *et al.*, Nature Nanotechnology **15**, 1748-3395 (2020).





# Nonreciprocal Pseudospin Diffusion Equation



Diffusive pseudospin transport equation:

$$\frac{\partial \mu_s}{\partial t} = D\nabla^2 \mu_s - \frac{\mu_s}{\tau_s} + \mu_s \times \omega \hat{x} - l \frac{\partial \mu_s}{\partial z} \times \delta \omega \hat{x}$$

Antisymmetric component of the k-resolved pseudofield  $\boldsymbol{\omega}(\boldsymbol{k})$ 

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_{s}(z) = \boldsymbol{\mu}_{s}^{\mathrm{sym}}(z) + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{s}^{\mathrm{asym}}(z)$$

$$\mu_{sz}(+d) = \mu_{sz}^{\text{sym}}(d) + \mu_{sz}^{\text{asym}}(d) \qquad \qquad \mu_{sz}(-d) = \mu_{sz}^{\text{sym}}(d) - \mu_{sz}^{\text{asym}}(d)$$





## Magnetic Field Dependence





$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_{s}(z) = \boldsymbol{\mu}_{s}^{\mathrm{sym}}(z) + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{s}^{\mathrm{asym}}(z)$$

Symmetric signal has maximum at  $\mu_0 H_c$ Antisymmetric signal changes sign at  $\mu_0 H_c$ 



# Symmetric/Antisymmetric Spin Signal





 $R_{\rm asym}^{\rm el} = \Delta R_{\rm asym}^{\rm el} \sin^3 \varphi$ 



#### Magnetic Field Dependence





#### Angular momentum transport metallic FMs



K. Ganzhorn. PhD Thesis (2018).

R. Schlitz et al., arXiv:2311.05290 (Accepted in PRL 2024).

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#### Model



• Magnetization defines the two spin states







#### Model



• Inherent magnetization eliminates all spin accumulation transverse to it







#### Model



 $\mu_{el}:$  electron spin chemical potential  $\lambda_{el}:$  electron spin decay length











 $\begin{array}{l} \mu_{el} : \mbox{ electron spin chemical potential} \\ \lambda_{el} : \mbox{ electron spin decay length} \\ \mu_m : \mbox{ magnon chemical potential} \\ \lambda_m : \mbox{ magnon decay length} \end{array}$ 











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CoFe-Py√ •



Mixed Configurations:

R. Schlitz et al., arXiv:2311.05290 (Accepted in PRL 2024).



#### Transport mechanism



$$\eta_s(d) = \frac{c_1}{d+c_2}$$



 $\eta_s(d) = c_1 e^{-\frac{d}{\lambda}}$ 



#### Transport mechanism



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- Angular momentum transport between two separated FM strips
- Dipolar coupling between thermal magnons dominant mechanism

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