# Quasiparticles in the Solid State – standard model of quasi-Universe



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#### Mathematics and the Nature

The conversation with the Nature must be carried out in the language of mathematics, otherwise nature does not answer our questions. prof. **Michał Heller** 

> Dialog z przyrodą musi być prowadzony w języku matematyki, w przeciwnym razie przyroda nie odpowiada na nasze pytania.

> > prof. Michał Heller



Elements

Group	1	2	]	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Period																			
1	1 H																		2 <b>He</b>
2	з Li	4 Be												5 <b>B</b>	6 C	7 N	8 <b>O</b>	9 <b>F</b>	10 Ne
3	11 Na	12 Mg												13 Al	14 <b>Si</b>	15 <b>P</b>	16 <b>S</b>	17 Cl	18 <b>Ar</b>
4	19 K	20 Ca		21 <b>Sc</b>	22 Ti	23 V	24 <b>Cr</b>	25 <b>Mn</b>	26 <b>Fe</b>	27 <b>Co</b>	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 <b>Ga</b>	32 <b>Ge</b>	33 <b>As</b>	34 <b>Se</b>	35 <b>Br</b>	36 <b>Kr</b>
5	37 Rb	38 Sr		39 <b>Y</b>	40 <b>Zr</b>	41 Nb	42 <b>Mo</b>	43 <b>Tc</b>	44 <b>Ru</b>	45 <b>Rh</b>	46 <b>Pd</b>	47 <b>Ag</b>	48 <b>Cd</b>	49 <b>In</b>	50 <b>Sn</b>	51 <b>Sb</b>	52 <b>Te</b>	53 I	54 <b>Xe</b>
6	55 <b>Cs</b>	56 <b>Ba</b>	*	71 Lu	72 <b>Hf</b>	73 <b>Ta</b>	74 W	75 <b>Re</b>	76 <b>Os</b>	77 Ir	78 <b>Pt</b>	79 <b>Au</b>	80 <b>Hg</b>	81 Tl	82 <b>Pb</b>	83 <b>Bi</b>	84 <b>Po</b>	85 <b>At</b>	86 <b>Rn</b>
7	87 <b>Fr</b>	88 Ra	**	103 Lr	104 Rf	105 Db	106 <b>Sg</b>	107 Bh	108 <b>Hs</b>	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 <b>Cn</b>	113 Uut	<sup>114</sup> Uuq	115 Uup	116 Uuh	117 <b>Uus</b>	<sup>118</sup> Uuo
			*	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70		

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*Lanthanoids		La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Тb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb
	**	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102
**Actinoids		Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No

#### **Elementary Particles**



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	Some Fare	Some rarowses and their properties											
Eleme	Category	Particle Name	Symbol	Anti- particle	Mass (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	B	L <sub>e</sub>	Lµ	L,	5	Lifetime(s)	Principal Decay Modes <sup>a</sup>	
	Leptons	Electron	e*	e+	0.511	0	+1	0	Ö	0	Stable		
	-	Electron- neutrino	v,	$\overline{\nu}_{e}$	$<7~{\rm eV}/\epsilon^2$	0	+1	0	θ	0	Suble		
		Muon	μ-	$\mu^+$	105.7	0	0	+1	0	0	$2.20 \times 10^{-6}$	$e^{-}\overline{\nu}_{e}\nu_{\mu}$	
		Muon- neutrino	νμ	$\overline{ u}_{\mu}$	< 0.3	0	0	+1	0	0	Stable		
		Tau	<b>T</b>	$\tau^+$	1 784	0	0	0	+1	0	$< 4 \times 10^{-13}$	$\mu^- \overline{\nu}_{\mu} \nu_{\tau}$ , $e^- \overline{\nu}_e \nu_{\tau}$	
		Tau- neutrino	v <sub>7</sub>	$\overline{\nu}_{\tau}$	< 30	0.	0	0	+1	0	Stable	Ť	
	Hadrons												
	Mesons	Pion	$\pi^+$	$\pi^{-}$	139.6	0	0	0	0	0	$2.60 \times 10^{-8}$	$\mu^+ \nu_{\mu}$	
			$\pi^0$	Self	135.0	0	0	0	0	0	$0.83 \times 10^{-16}$	$2\gamma$	
		Kaon	K+	К-	493.7	0	0	0	0	+1	$1.24 \times 10^{-8}$	$\mu^+ \nu_\mu, \pi^+ \pi^0$	
			$K_*^{\alpha}$	$\overline{K}_{s}^{0}$	497.7	0	0	0	0	+1	$0.89 \times 10^{-10}$	$\pi^{+}\pi^{-}, 2\pi^{0}$	
1057	00		K. <sup>0</sup>	$\overline{K}_{L}^{0}$	497.7	0	0	0	0	+1	$5.2 \times 10^{-8}$	π <sup>±</sup> e <sup>∓</sup> ν <sub>e</sub> , 3π <sup>0</sup>	
particles												$\pi^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}\overline{\nu}_{\mu}$	
Pare		Eta	η	Self	548.8	0	0	0	0	0	$< 10^{-18}$	$2\gamma, 3\pi^{0}$	
			$\eta^2$	Self	958	Ø	0	0	0	0	$2.2 \times 10^{-21}$	$\eta \pi^+ \pi^-$	
	Baryons	Proton	Р	P	938.3	+1	0	0	0	0	Stable		
		Neutron	n	n	939.6	+1	0.	0	0	0	614	$pe^-\overline{\nu}_e$	
		Lambda	$\Lambda^0$	$\overline{\Lambda}^0$	1 115.6	+1	Ð	0	0	-1	$2.6 \times 10^{-10}$	$p\pi^{-}, n\pi^{0}$	
		Sigma	$\Sigma^+$	$\overline{\Sigma}^{-}$	1 189.4	+1	0	0	ö	-1	$0.80 \times 10^{-10}$	$p\pi^0, n\pi^+$	
			$\Sigma^{0}$	$\overline{\Sigma}^{0}$	1 192,5	+1	0	Ð	0	-1	$6 \times 10^{-20}$	$\Lambda^0 \gamma$	
			Σ-	$\overline{\Sigma}^{+}$	1 197.3	+1	0	0	0	-1	$1.5 \times 10^{-10}$	$n\pi^{-}$	
		Delta	$\Delta^{++}$	$\overline{\Delta}$	1 230	+1	0	0	0	0	$6 \times 10^{-24}$	$p\pi^+$	
			$\Delta^+$	$\overline{\Delta}$ -	1 231	+1	0	0	0	0	$6 \times 10^{-24}$	$p\pi^0, n\pi^+$	
			$\Delta^{o}$	$\overline{\Delta}{}^{0}$	1 232	+1	0	0	0	0	$6 \times 10^{-24}$	nπ <sup>0</sup> , pπ <sup>-</sup>	
			$\Delta^{-}$	$\overline{\Delta}^+$	1 234	+1	0	0	0	0	$6 \times 10^{-24}$	$n\pi^{-}$	
		Xi	<b>Ξ</b> 0	<u>20</u>	1 315	+1	0	0	0	-2	$2.9 \times 10^{-10}$	$\Lambda^0 \pi^0$	
			Ξ-	₹+	1 321	+1	0	0	0	-2	$1.64 \times 10^{-10}$	$\Lambda^0 \pi^-$	
		Omega	Ω-	$\Omega^+$	1 672	+1	0	0	0	-3	$0.82 \times 10^{-10}$	$\Xi^{-}\pi^{0}, \Xi^{0}\pi^{-}, \Lambda^{0}K^{-}$	

<sup>4</sup> Notations in this column such as  $p\pi^-$ ,  $n\pi^0$  mean two possible decay modes. In this case, the two possible decays are  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p + \pi^-$  and  $\Lambda^0 \rightarrow n + \pi^0$ .

#### Particles - quarks



The Nobel Prize in Physics 1969 Murray Gell-Mann

## The Nobel Prize in Physics 1969



Murray Gell-Mann

The Nobel Prize in Physics 1969 was awarded to Murray Gell-Mann *"for his contributions and discoveries concerning the classification of elementary particles and their interactions"*.

#### Zweig, George



Portions of this entry contributed by George Kambouroglou

American physicist who was a graduate student in physics at Caltech under Richard Feynman. Zweig pored over all the experimental data on known particles and proposed the existence of quarks simple independently of Gell-Mann and Ne'eman. Zweig continued to work in particle physics, both experimental and theoretical, as a professor at Caltech until the early 1970s.

Zweig subsequently took up neurobiology, in particular studying sound. He investigated what happens to sound when it enters the ear, and how the brain maps sound onto the spatial dimensions of the cerebral cortex. This led to the discovery the continuous wavelet transform by Zweig in 1975. Zweig also developed the device known as the SigniScope, which simulates the response of the inner ear to speech. Zweig is president of Signition (which makes the SigniScope), and also continues his research in cochlear mechanics as a Fellow at Los Alamos National Laboratory.

#### **Elementary Particles**



## **Elementary Particles**



## **Kinetic Energy**





## Kinetic Energy $E(\vec{p}), \vec{p} = \hbar \vec{k}$



## Many-body interaction



#### Many-body interaction



#### The electronic band structure



Fig. 2.3 Development of the diamond band gap

W. R. Fahrner (Editor) Nanotechnology and Nanoelectronics

#### Basis of solid state

#### **Born-Oppenheimer approximation**





Max Born (1882-1970)

Jacob R. Oppenheimer (1904-1967)

"ACTUALLY I STARTED OUT IN QUANTUM MECHANICS, BUT SOMEWHERE ALONG THE WAY I TOOK A WRONG TURN."

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S. Harris

#### **Periodic potential**

#### **Bloch's theorem**

When potential is periodic  $V(\vec{r}) = V(\vec{r} + \vec{R})$ then solutions of Schrödinger equation

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + V(\vec{r})\right)\varphi_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r}) = E_{n,\vec{k}}\varphi_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r})$$

are in the form of:

$$\varphi_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r}) = e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}}u_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r})$$
  
Plane wave Envelope

Bravais vectors

where Bloch function:

$$u_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r}) = u_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r} + \vec{R}) = u_{n,\vec{k}+\vec{G}}(\vec{r})$$





"You want proof? I'll give you proof!"



#### The electronic band structure





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Landolt-Boernstein

$$E_n(\vec{k}) = E_n(0) + \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 \left(\frac{1}{m_{ij}^*}\right) \frac{\hbar^2 k_i k_j}{2} + \cdots$$

We replace MANY BODY INTERACTION by the effective mass tensor:

$$\frac{1}{m_{ij}^*} = \frac{\delta_{ij}}{m} + \frac{2\hbar^2}{m^2} \sum_{l \neq n} \frac{\int u_{n,0} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} u_{l,0} d^3 r \cdot \int u_{n,0} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} u_{l,0} d^3 r}{E_n(0) - E_l(0)}$$



$$E_n(\vec{k}) \approx E_n(0) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \left( \frac{k_1^2}{m_1^*} + \frac{k_2^2}{m_2^*} + \frac{k_3^2}{m_3^*} \right)$$

 $m^* = 0.01 - 1000 m_0$ 



$$E(\vec{p}) = \frac{mv^2}{2} = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} = \frac{\hbar^2 \vec{k}^2}{2m^*}$$



#### k·p perturbation theory – effective mass

The energy  $E_n(\mathbf{k})$  around extremum for the uniaxial crystal (np. GaN):

$$E_n(\vec{k}) = E_n(0) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \left( \frac{k_1^2 + k_2^2}{m_{\perp}^*} + \frac{k_3^2}{m_{\parallel}^*} \right)$$

For a cubic crystal:



#### k·p perturbation theory – effective mass

Na, K, Co, Al – elektrony

Zn, Cu, Au - ???

Pasmo prawie całkowicie zapełnione elektronami.





Many body system:



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We "created" quasi-particles, which are non-interacting (at least "not too strong") ("free electrons", "effective mass") – the same for phonons, polarons, plasmons, excitons, trions, bi-excitons

#### Quasi-particles creator (you!)



## Quasi-particles (standard model)



Photon E = hv

Phonon  $E = \hbar \omega$ 

Magnon  $E = \hbar \omega$ 

### **Elementary Particles**





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## **Elementary Particles**

3D









#### + dimension

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#### **Composed particles**

#### FIRST:

Coulomb potential in 3D in the semiconductor of dielectric constant  $\varepsilon_r$ , effective mass  $m^*$ :





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0.0-1000 <i>m</i> <sub>0</sub>	<b>0.0-1</b> <i>m</i> <sub>0</sub>	0.1-1000 <i>m</i> <sub>0</sub>	0
-1 ½ e	1 1/2 <i>lh</i>	<sup>1</sup> 3/2 <i>hh</i>	ο γ 1
electron	light hole	heavy hole	photon



#### FIRST:



#### FIRST:



#### FIRST:



#### FIRST:



#### FIRST:







quantum dot



### Potencjał harmoniczny 2D





Zależność od mocy pobudzania widm fotoluminescencji otrzymanych w temperaturze bliskiej temperatury ciekłego helu (ok. 5 K) dla licznego (wielomilionowego) zbioru kropek kwantowych InAs/GaAs.

# THE ARTICLE





#### 3D



#### **Composed fermions**



# Composed ??? (anyons)



https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/20140617170859-56463076-topological-quantum-computer-decodes-the-stock-market-behavior







### Dressed states





#### **GROUND STATE POLARITON PHOTOLUMINESCENCE**



$$H = \begin{bmatrix} E_{C}(k_{II}) & \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \\ \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} & E_{X}(k_{II}) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\downarrow$$
$$\Omega \propto \sqrt{\frac{N_{QW}f_{osc}}{L_{C}}}$$

K. Lekenta, B. Piętka



	atoms	polaritons
m	Rb: 10 <sup>4</sup> m <sub>e</sub>	10 <sup>-4</sup> m <sub>e</sub>
Т	10 <sup>-7</sup> K	>100K
N	10 <sup>14</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>	<10 <sup>11</sup> /cm <sup>2</sup>
t	00	1 ps



J. Kacprzak, Nature 2006



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1.7

B=0.0 T

B=1.33 T

PL Intensity [arb. units] 1.69 1.68 (Paint (eV) 1.68 1.67 UP 'P<sub>lh</sub>  $\sigma$ **₄**LP<sub>hh</sub> 1.66 3 B=0.0 T B=1.33 T B=5.0 T B=3.35 T PL Intensity [arb. units] 1.685 UP (∕ə) 1.68 Ağ1.675 ⊔u 1.67 LP<sup>IU</sup> σ LP<sub>hh</sub> 1.665 0 Angle (°) -20 0 -20 -20 0 -20 20 0 Angle (°) Angle (°) Angle (°)

B=3.35 T



B=5.0 T

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### **Doubly dressed states**





















Experiment B. Piętka J. Szczytko (WF UW) D. Stephan M. Teich et al. (HZDR)



**Theory** M. Matuszewski, N. Bobrovska (IF PAN)







photon <sup>0</sup> ħω phonon <sup>0</sup> ħΩ magnon

- magnetic monopole
- spinon, orbiton, holon
- skyrmion
- majorama fermions
- ...
#### Instead of conlcusions:

#### Create your own quasi-particle!



### Dziekuję za uwagę





The crystal:







The magnetization M in the absence of B M > 0

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#### Cząstki elementarne





composite fermions, anyons

1D chain



http://www.pi1.physik.uni-stuttgart.de/LFP/LFPForschung\_d.php

1D chain



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ground state

excitation

1D chain



holon

ground state

excitation

time

**spinon** http://www.pi1.physik.uni-stuttgart.de/LFP/LFPForschung\_d.php

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#### Observation of Spin-Charge Separation in One-Dimensional SrCuO<sub>2</sub>

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#### **Probing Spin-Charge Separation in a Tomonaga-Luttinger Liquid**

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In a one-dimensional (1D) system of interacting electrons, excitations of spin and charge travel at different speeds, according to the theory of a Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid (TLL) at low energies. However, the clear observation of this spin-charge separation is an ongoing challenge experimentally. We have fabricated an electrostatically gated 1D system in which we observe spin-charge separation and also the predicted power-law suppression of tunneling into the 1D system. The spin-charge separation persists even beyond the low-energy regime where the TLL approximation should hold. TLL effects should therefore also be important in similar, but shorter, electrostatically gated wires, where interaction effects are being studied extensively worldwide.

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Two discrete peaks in the ARPES data form the signature of a spin-charge separation event. The raw data (black dots) are fitted with gaussian peaks for the holon (blue) and the spinon (red) with an integrated background (dashed line). The solid black line is the sum of the two gaussian peaks and the background. The inset compares the data with the calculated spectral function, and the shaded green area indicates the extra intensity predicted by theory. The red bar shows that the spinon peak is wider than the holon peak.

http://www-als.lbl.gov/index.php/research-areas/materialscondensed-matter/234-first-direct-observation-of-spinons-andholons.html 2016-05-29

#### Spinon, holon, orbiton, triplon

Triplon!



## 2D or not 2D?

**Figure 1** In a one-dimensional chain of quantum spins (spin S = 1/2) with antiferromagnetic nearest-neighbour interactions, the lowest-lying eigenstates can be described as weakly interacting particles called spinons of spin-1/2. **a**, A possible ground state. A second possible state is found by flipping all the spins. **b**, Flipping a spin in the centre of the chain produces an excited state with a total spin of 1. **c**, Flipping two spins on each side of the central spin produces a state with the same energy, so the spinons can move independently within the chain. The spinons can also be viewed as domain walls (denoted by stars) between the two possible ground states. Kohno, Starykh and Balents<sup>2</sup> show that individual spinons can only move coherently between chains by pairing up into a composite particle, a triplon. Figure derived from ref. 11.

Ross H. McKenzie, Nature Physics | VOL 3 | NOVEMBER 2007 | 756

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Nature 485, 82 (2012)

The hallmark of one-dimensional physics is a breaking up of the elementary electron into its separate degrees of freedom. The separation of the electron into independent quasiparticles that carry either spin (spinons) or charge (holons) was first observed fifteen years ago. Here we report observation of the separation of the orbital degree of freedom (orbiton) using resonant inelastic X-ray scattering on the onedimensional Mott insulator Sr2CuO3. We resolve an orbiton separating itself from spinons and propagating through the lattice as a distinct quasiparticle with a substantial dispersion in energy over momentum [...]



Schematic representation of frustration in water ice and spin ice. a, In water ice, each hydrogen ion is close to one or the other of its two oxygen neighbours, and each oxygen must have two hydrogen ions closer to it than to its neighbouring oxygen ions. b, In spin ice, the spins point either directly toward or away from the centres of the tetrahedra, and each tetrahedron is constrained to have two spins pointing in and two pointing out.

J. Snyder et al. Nature 413 (2001)

Spin-ice systems, such as  $Dy_2Ti_2O_7$  and  $Ho_2Ti_2O_7$ , can be described by a corner-sharing network of tetrahedra forming a pyrochlore lattice of localized magnetic moments.



 $m = 10\mu_B$  (rare-earth ions),  $\vec{r}_{ij}$  is the distance between spins *i* and *j* and  $\vec{S}_i$  is a spin of unit length. The coupling constants are on the 1 K energy scale. These energy scales are 100 times smaller than the crystal field terms that confine the spins along the axis joining the centres of two adjoining tetrahedra. As a result, on the 1 K energy scale, the moments behave as Ising spins along this axis.



The pyrochlore and diamond lattices. The magnetic moments in spin ice reside on the sites of the pyrochlore lattice, which consists of cornersharing tetrahedra. These are at the same time the midpoints of the bonds of the diamond lattice (black) formed by the centres of the tetrahedra. The ratio of the lattice constant of the diamond and pyrochlore lattices is  $a_d/a = \sqrt{3/2}$ The Ising axes are the local [111] directions, which point along the respective diamond lattice bonds.



A single spin flip produces defects on two neighboring tetrahedra. (C) The defects can move apart. They interact like oppositely charged magnetic monopoles connected by a trail of flipped spins (a Dirac string). The pink arrows indicate spins, the blue spheres indicate monopoles, and the red spheres indicate antimonopoles.













The measured heat capacity per mole of Dy2Ti2O7 at zero field (open squares) is compared with a Debye-Hückel theory for the monopoles (blue line) and the best fit to a single-tetrahedron (Bethe lattice) approximation (red line).

D. J. P. Morris et al. SCIENCE VOL 326, 411 (2009)

#### Dirac string



http://physicsworld.com/cws/article/news/2009/sep/03/magnetic-monopoles-spotted-in-spin-ices



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Dirac string



FIGURE 1. A visualization of the MoEDAL detector adjacent to the LHCb detector at intersection point 8 on the LHC ring



The magnetization M in the absence of B M = 0

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Dzyaloshinsky-Moriya term

$$\widehat{H} = g\mu_B \vec{B} \cdot \vec{S} + \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J_{ij} \,\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j + \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} D_{ij} \,\vec{S}_i \times \vec{S}_j$$

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## Real-space observation of a two-dimensional skyrmion crystal

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Topological spin textures in the helical magnet  $Fe_{0.5}Co_{0.5}Si$ . **a**, **b**, Helical (**a**) and skyrmion (**b**) structures predicted by Monte Carlo simulation. c, Schematic of the spin configuration in a skyrmion. **d–f**, The experimentally observed real-space images of the spin texture, represented by the lateral magnetization distribution as obtained by transport-ofintensity equation (TIE) analysis of the Lorentz TEM data: helical structure at zero magnetic field (d), the skyrmion crystal (SkX) structure for a weak magnetic field (50 mT) applied normal to the thin plate (e) and a magnified view of e (f).



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Spin manipulation using electric currents is one of the most promising directions in the field of spintronics. We used neutron scattering to observe the influence of an electric current on the magnetic structure in a bulk material. In the skyrmion lattice of manganese silicon, where the spins form a lattice of magnetic vortices similar to the vortex lattice in type II superconductors, we observe the rotation of the diffraction pattern in response to currents that are over five orders of magnetization dynamics in nanostructures. We attribute our observations to an extremely efficient coupling of inhomogeneous spin currents to topologically stable knots in spin structures.





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# Near room-temperature formation of a skyrmion crystal in thin-films of the helimagnet FeGe

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T = 260 K



(a,b) The in-plane magnetization textures of the helical structure (B=0) and of the skyrmion crystal (B=150 mT), as deduced from the transport-of-intensity equation analysis of the under-focus and over-focus Lorentz TEM images on a 30-nm-thick FeGe plate. Scale bar, 70 nm. Colours and white arrows are signs of the magnitude and orientation of in-plane magnetizations, whereas the dark colour depicts the upward (downward) spins in the periphery (core) of the skyrmions. (c) Schematic diagram and cross-sectional view of a microdevice with a trapezoidal FeGe plate that is composed of a 100 nm-thick thinner terrace for electron-beam transmission and another trapezoidal thicker part for supporting the thinner part. (d) The under-focus Lorentz TEM image for the skyrmion crystal taken at 250 K and 150 mT for the present device. Scale bar (**d**), 100 nm.



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Typical magnetic force microscopy data at the surface of  $Fe_{1-x}Co_xSi (x = 0.5)$ 





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Monte Carlo simulation for a system first field cooled at B=0.16J (B||[110]) down to T = 0.6 J.



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### Coulomb potential in 3D

#### FIRST:

Coulomb potential in 3D in the semiconductor of dielectric constant  $\varepsilon_r$ , effective mass  $m^*$ :

 $V(r) = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_r\varepsilon_0}\frac{1}{r}$   $Ry = \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}\right)^2 \frac{m}{2\hbar^2} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2ma_B^2} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0a_B} = 13.6 \text{ eV}$   $a_B = \frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0\hbar^2}{m_0e^2} = 0.5 \text{ Å}$   $E_n = -Ry\frac{1}{n^2}$   $E_n = -\frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0}{n^2}$ 

$$E_n = -\left(\frac{m^*}{m_0}\right)\frac{1}{\varepsilon_r^2}Ry\frac{1}{n^2} = -Ry^*\frac{1}{n^2}$$
$$a_B^* = \frac{4\pi\varepsilon_r\varepsilon_0\hbar^2}{m_0e^2}\left(\frac{m_0}{m^*}\right) = a_B\varepsilon_r\left(\frac{m_0}{m^*}\right)$$

For Hydrogen Ry = 13.6 eV and  $a_B = 0.053$  nm

For GaAs semiconductor  $Ry^*pprox 5$  meV and  $a_B^*pprox 10$  nm

### Coulomb potential in 2D

In 3D: 
$$E_n^{3D} = -\left(\frac{m^*}{m_0}\right)\frac{1}{\varepsilon_r^2}Ry\frac{1}{n^2} = -Ry^*\frac{1}{n^2}$$

In 2D: 
$$E_n^{2D} = -\frac{Ry^*}{\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2}$$



 $E_1^{2D} < E_1^{3D}$  thus  $|E_1^{2D}| > |E_1^{3D}|$ 



$$a_B^* = \varepsilon_r \left(\frac{m_0}{m^*}\right) \qquad Ry^* = \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_r\varepsilon_0}\right)^2 \frac{m^*}{2\hbar^2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0\varepsilon_r a_B^*} = \left(\frac{m^*}{m_0}\right) \frac{R_T}{\varepsilon_r^2}$$

### Exciton in 2D





FIG. 1. cw absorption (i.e., 1 - reflectivity; bold line, left axis) and the TR-PL integrated over 1300 ps (logarithmic scale, right) results.  $E_{1s} = 1.4823 \text{ eV}$  ( $E_{2s} = 1.4882 \text{ eV}$ ) is the 1s (2s) heavy-hole exciton,  $E_{\text{plasma}} = 1.4888 \text{ eV}$ , light-hole exciton  $E_{\text{lh}} = 1.4988 \text{ eV}$  (vertical lines). The low energy exponential tail of the excitonic transition originates from the trion at 1.4807 eV (discussed in [18]).

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