

Dynamical Responses from Magnetic Skyrmions and Monopoles

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Metastability of topologically-protected skyrmions

Skyrmion aggregation dynamics – glass transition and recrystallization

Nonreciprocal/nonlinear transport via chiral spin fluctuation

Electrodynamics of skyrmion strings

Outcomes of dynamics of emergent magnetic monopoles

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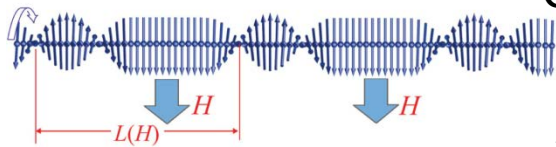
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Topological spin textures in chiral magnets

1D systems

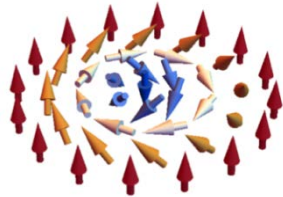


Chiral soliton lattice

- CrNb₃S₆
- CsCuCl₃

Y. Togawa *et al.*, PRL (2012).

2D systems



Bloch-type



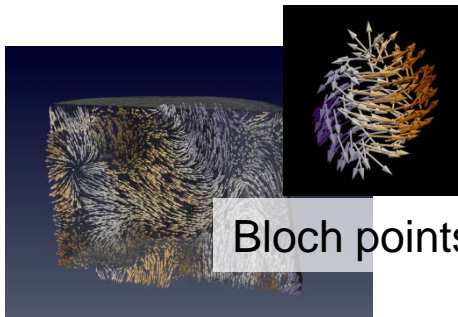
Néel-type

Skyrmion

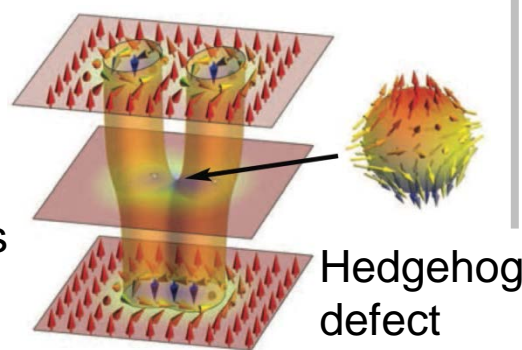
- B20 MnSi, FeGe
- Cu₂OSeO₃
- Fe/Ir interface
- GaV₄S₈

e.g., Nagaosa & Tokura, Nat. Nanotech. (2013).

3D systems



Bloch points

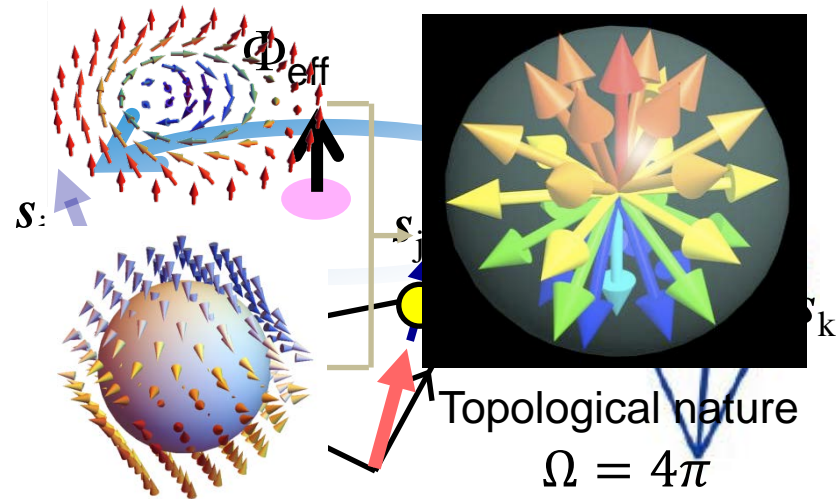


Hedgehog defect

C. Donnelly *et al.*, Nature (2017).

P. Milde *et al.*, Science (2013).

Non-trivial topology in emergent electromagnetism



Berry phase:

$$\gamma = \int_S d\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\Omega}{2} = 2\mathbf{s}_i \cdot (\mathbf{s}_j \times \mathbf{s}_k)$$

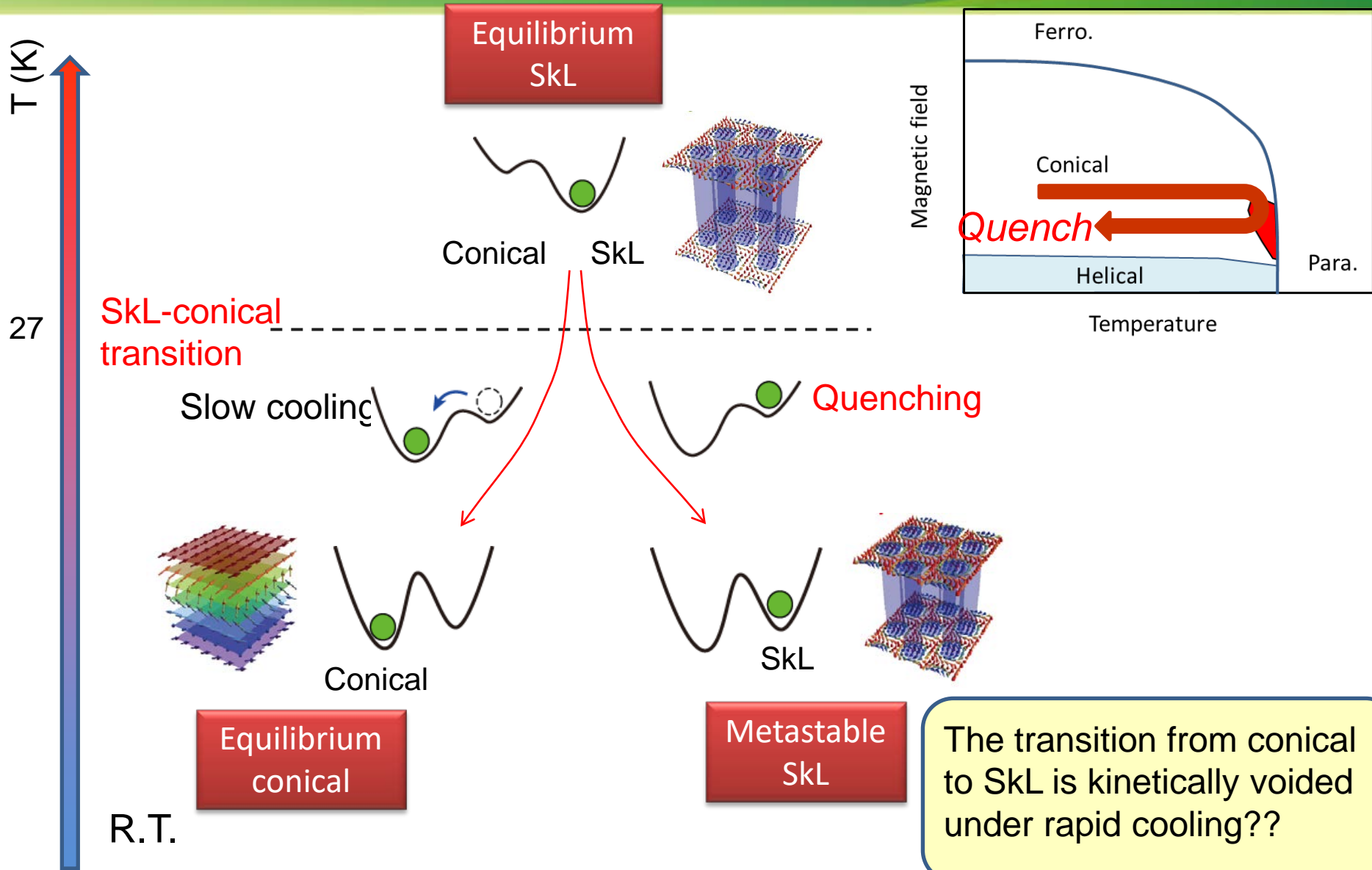
$$\pm 2\pi \leftrightarrow \pm \phi_0 = \pm \frac{h}{e}$$

Equation of motion:

$$\hbar \dot{\mathbf{k}} = -e\mathbf{E} - e\dot{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{B} - \hbar \dot{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{r})$$

Topological Hall effect

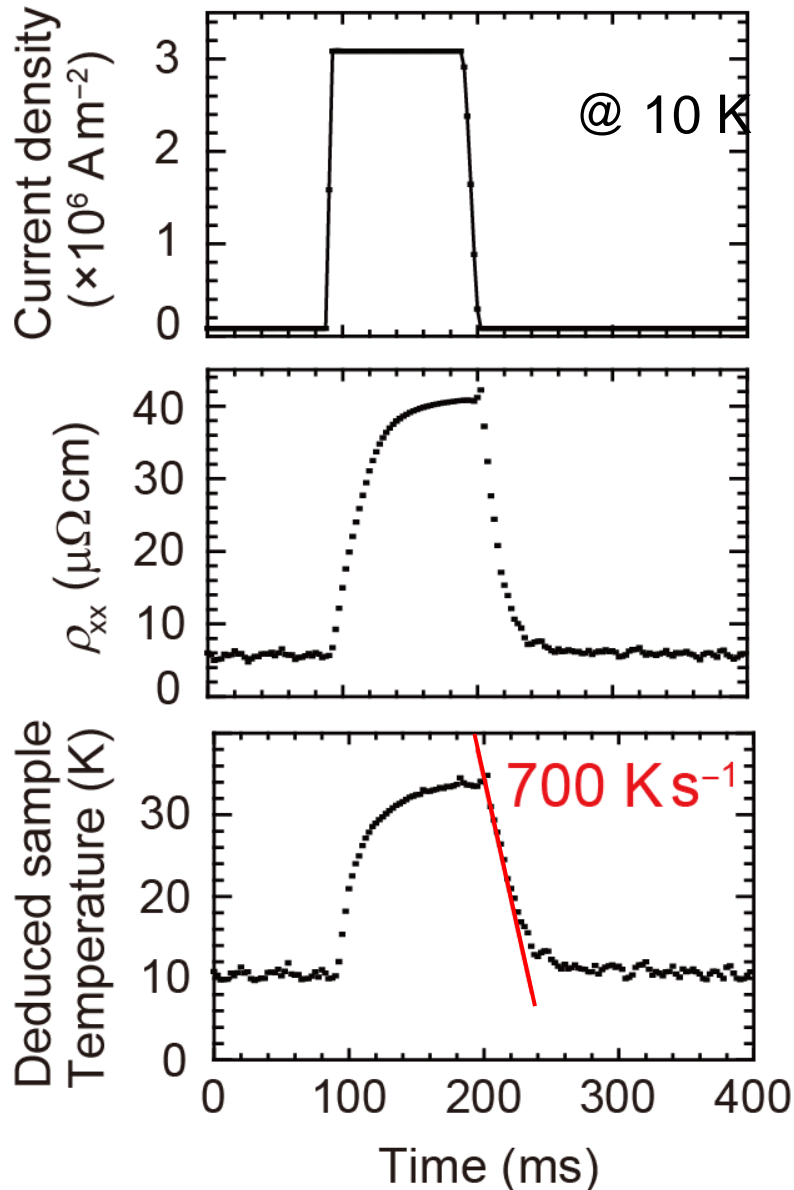
Creation of metastable skyrmions



The transition from conical to SkL is kinetically voided under rapid cooling??

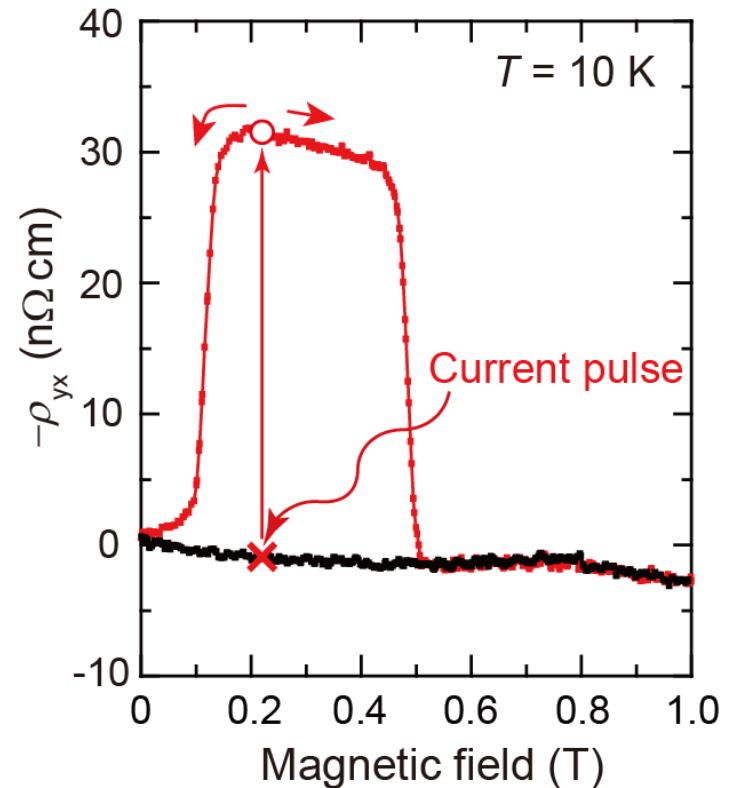
How to achieve rapid cooling?

Application of electric heating to the sample

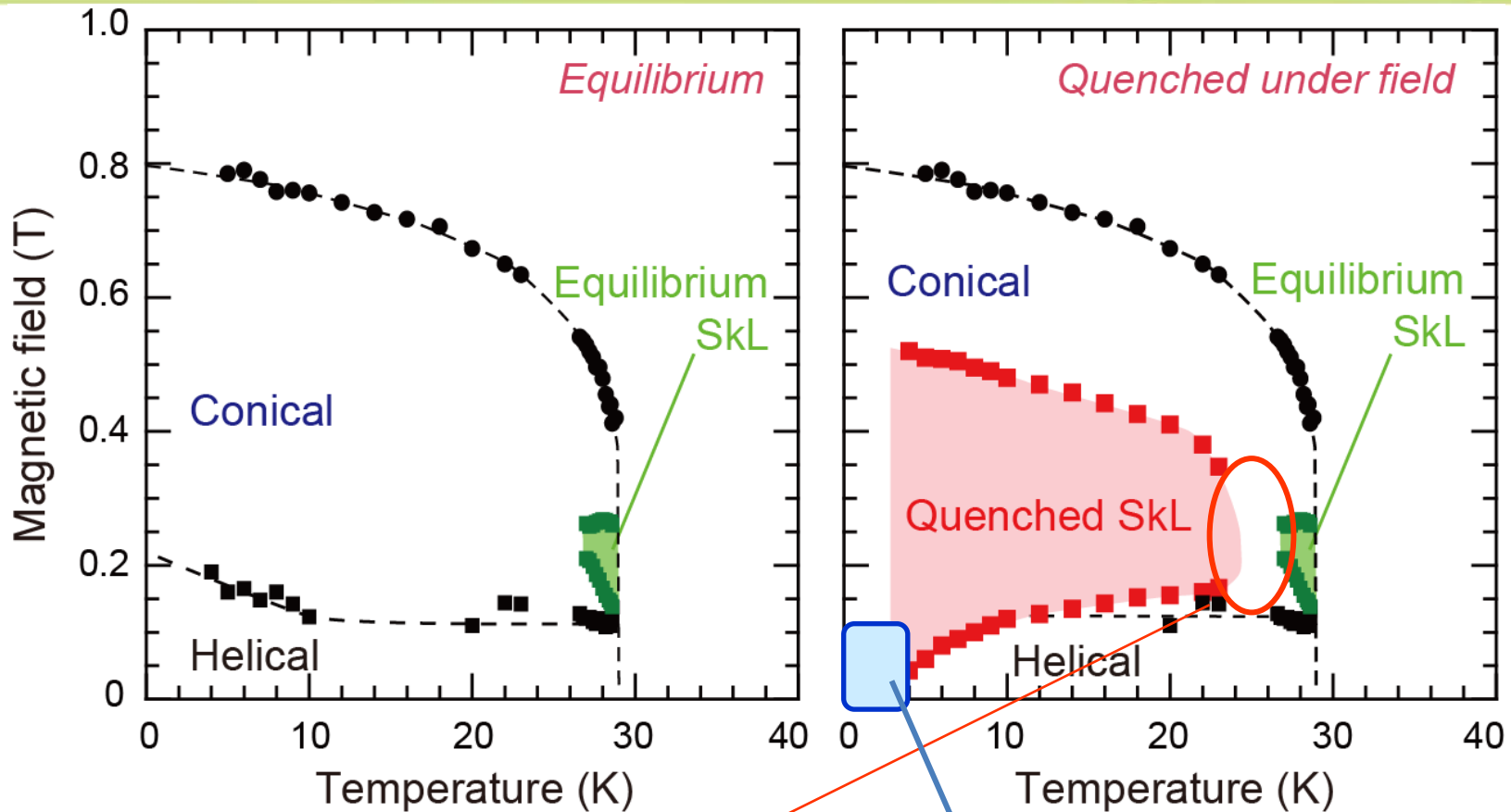


Lifetime \gg 1 week @ 10 K

Topological Hall effect as a probe of Sk



Phase diagram of equilibrium and quenched SkLs



Nakajima et al.
 Sci. Adv. (2017)

1. Quenched state is quite extended



Remarkable stability of metastable SkL

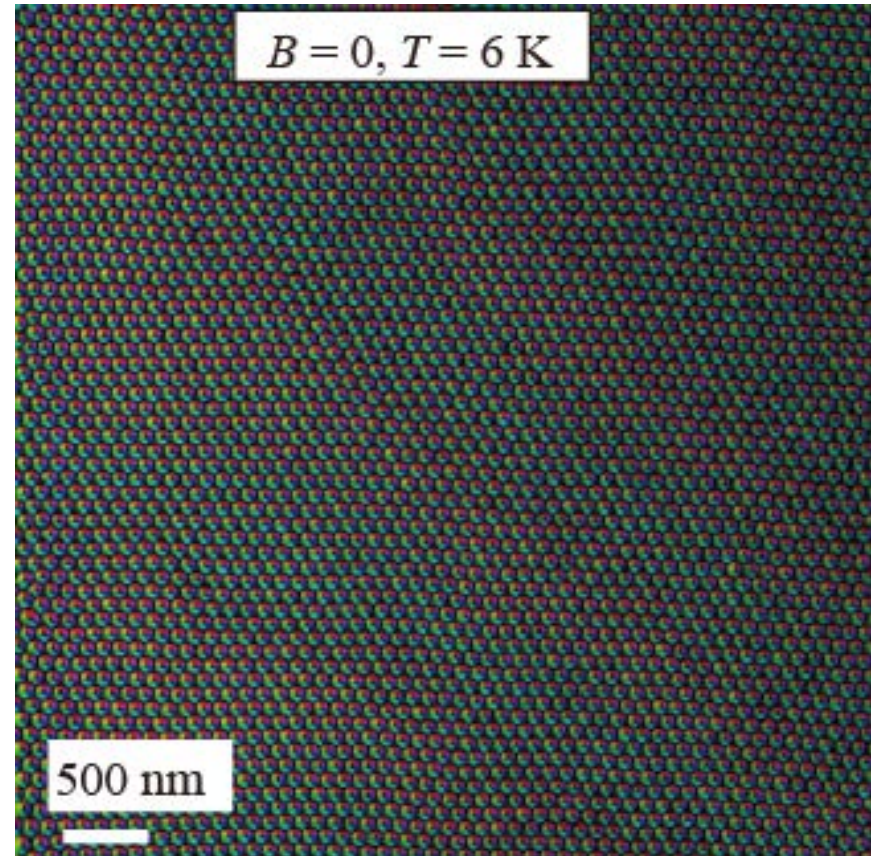
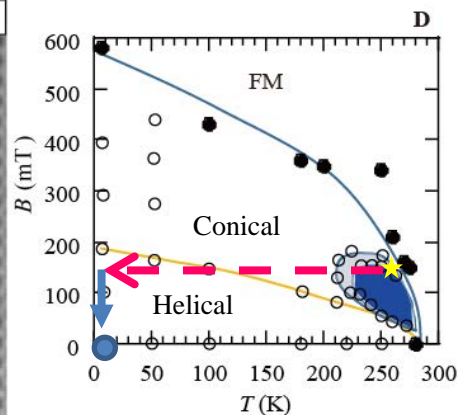
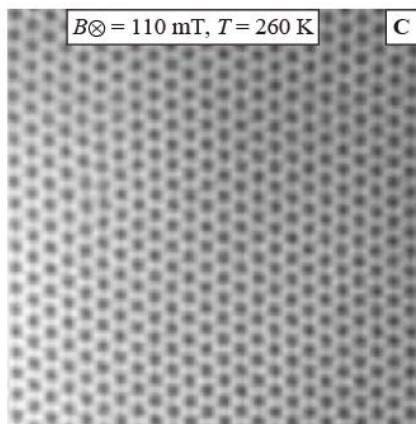
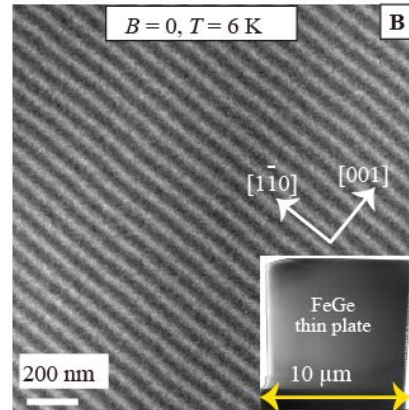
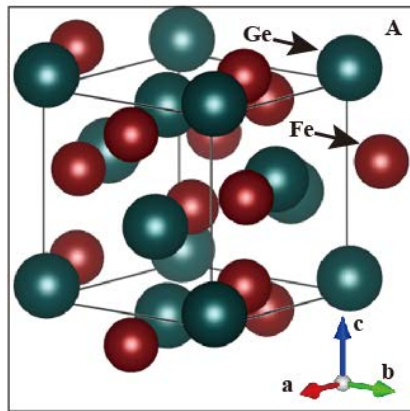
2. Appreciable gap between the quenched SkL and equilibrium SkL



There, metastable SkL is short-lived

Oike, Kagawa et al, Nature Phys. (2016)

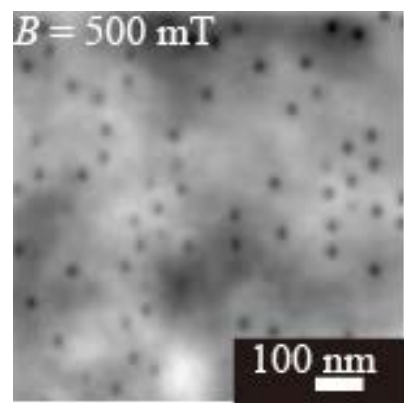
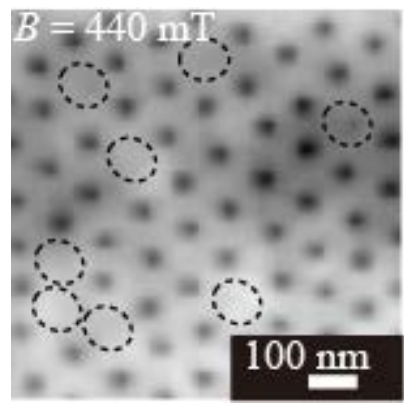
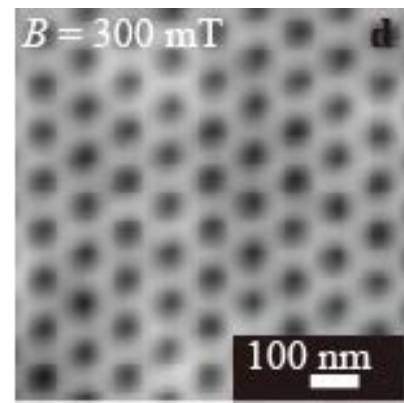
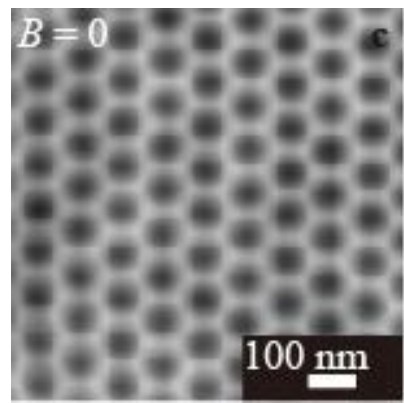
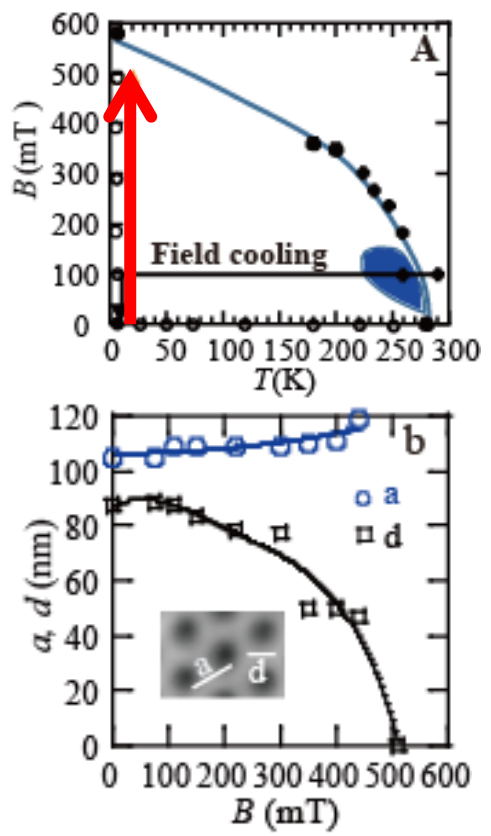
FeGe thin plate



Shrink of skyrmions with an increase of the bias-field

$B//z$

shrinking of Sk size

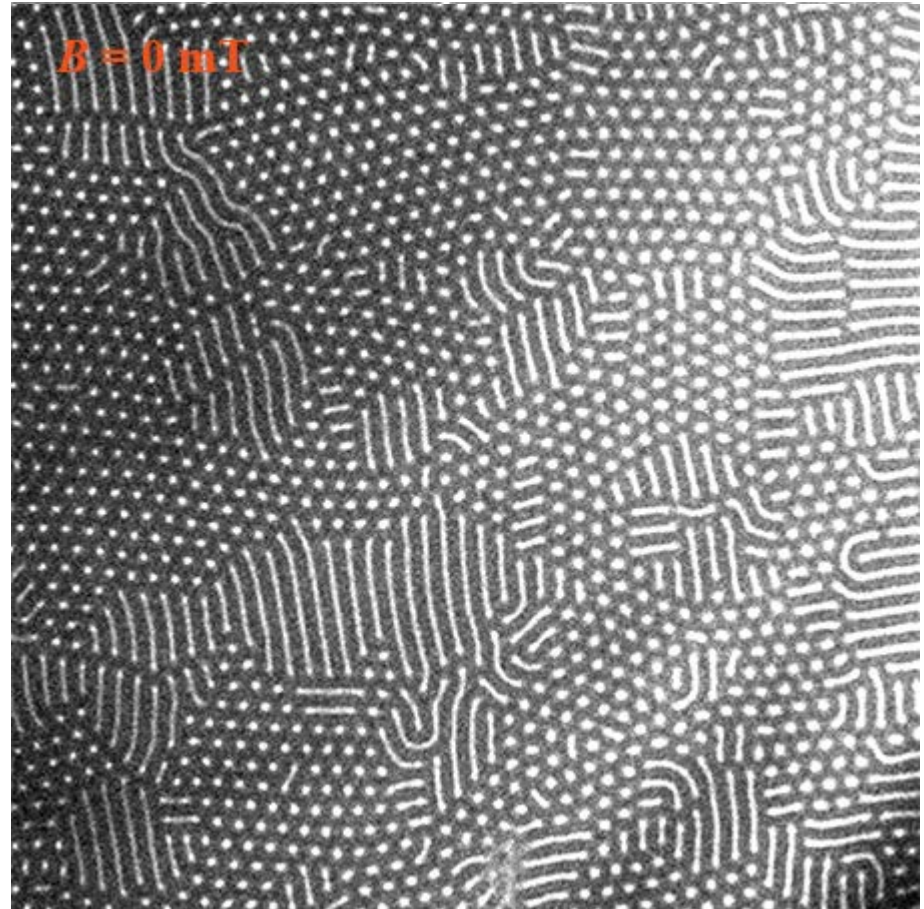
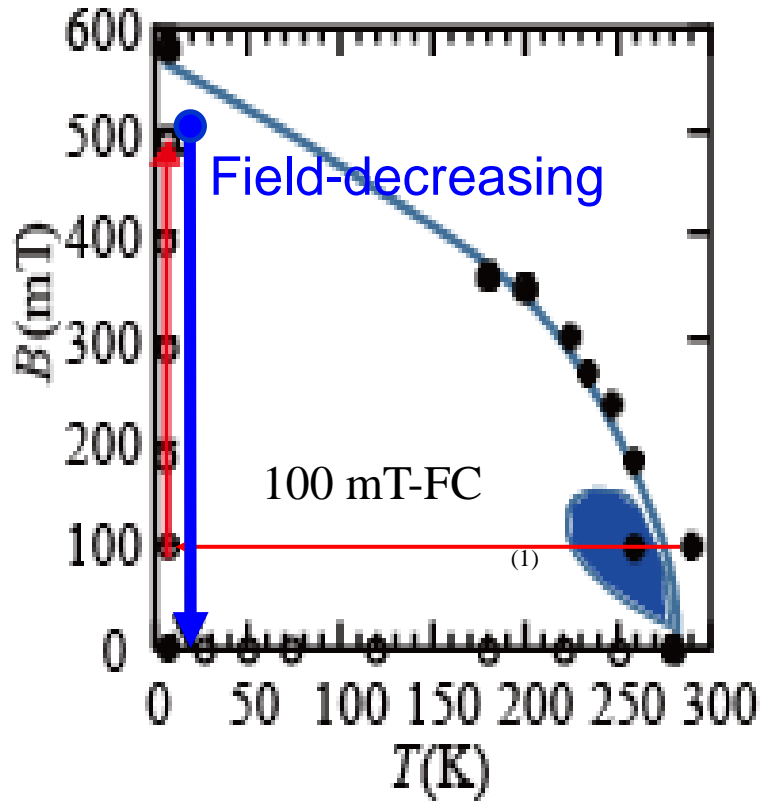


Sk vacancies in SkX

collapse of SkX

Recrystallization of metastable skyrmions

$T = 6 \text{ K}$



⇒ Sk glass ⇒ recrystallization ⇒ SkX+ conical ⇒ SkX+helical/elongated Sks monopoles

Nonreciprocal Responses of Noncentrosymmetric Matters

Nonreciprocal Response	Linear Response	Nonlinear Response
Time-reversal Unbroken	Forbidden	Shift current Nonlinear Hall effect pn junction
Time-reversal Broken	Optical ME effect Magneto-chiral effect Nonreciprocal magnon	Nonreciprocal nonlinear optical effect Electric magneto-chiral effect Inverse Edelstein effect Magneto-chiral anisotropy

chiral magnet
skrymion

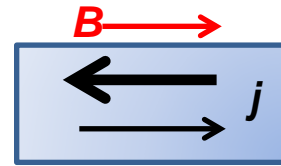
Electrical magnetochiral effect (eMChE)

eMChE

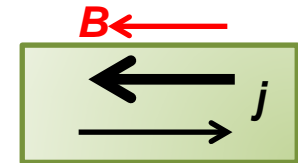
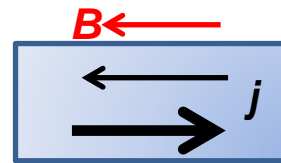
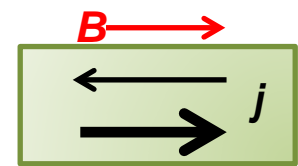
$$R^{D/L} = R_0(1 + \gamma^{D/L} \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{I} + \beta B^2)$$

- ✓ Resistivity depending on current direction
- ✓ Odd against magnetic field

Right-handed

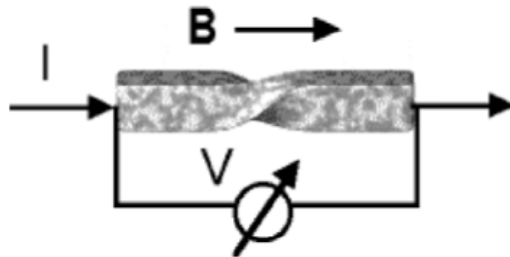


Left-handed



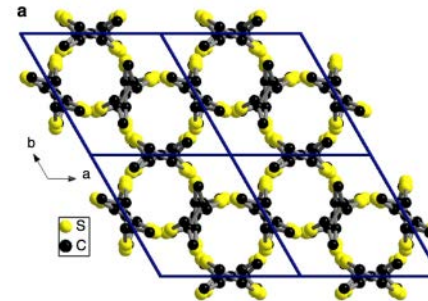
Previous works

Twisted Bismuth



G. L. J. A. Rikken *et al.*, PRL **87**, 236602 (2001).

Chiral molecular conductor



F. Pop *et al.*, Nature Commun. (2014).

Chiral magnets

eMChE in MnSi thin plate

Voltage is proportion to ρ

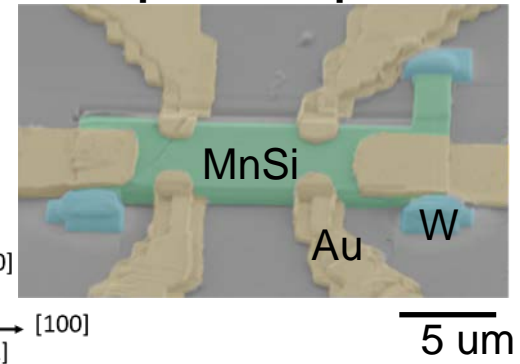
→ Detection of second harmonic signal

$$V_{\text{eMChA}} \propto \gamma^{\text{R/L}} (\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{I}) I$$

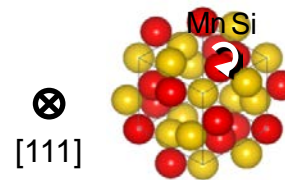
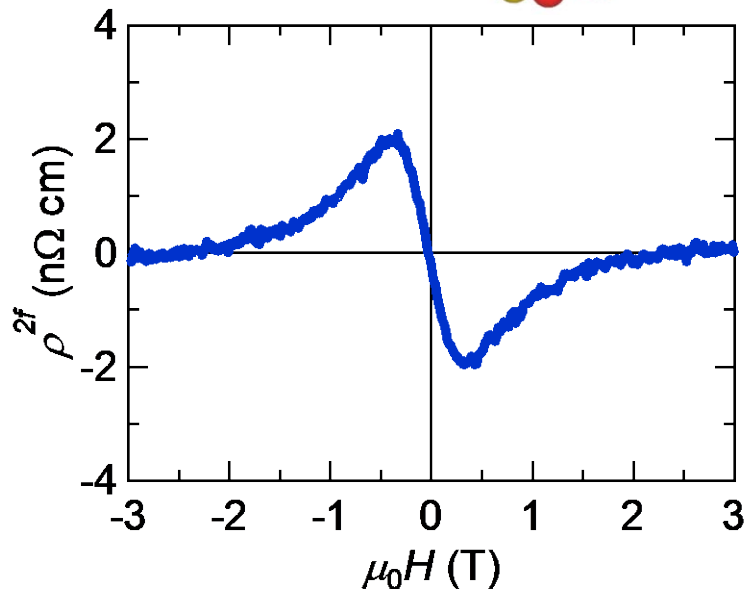
$$I \propto \sin(2\pi ft)$$

$$V_{\text{eMChA}} \propto \sin(2\pi \cdot 2ft)$$

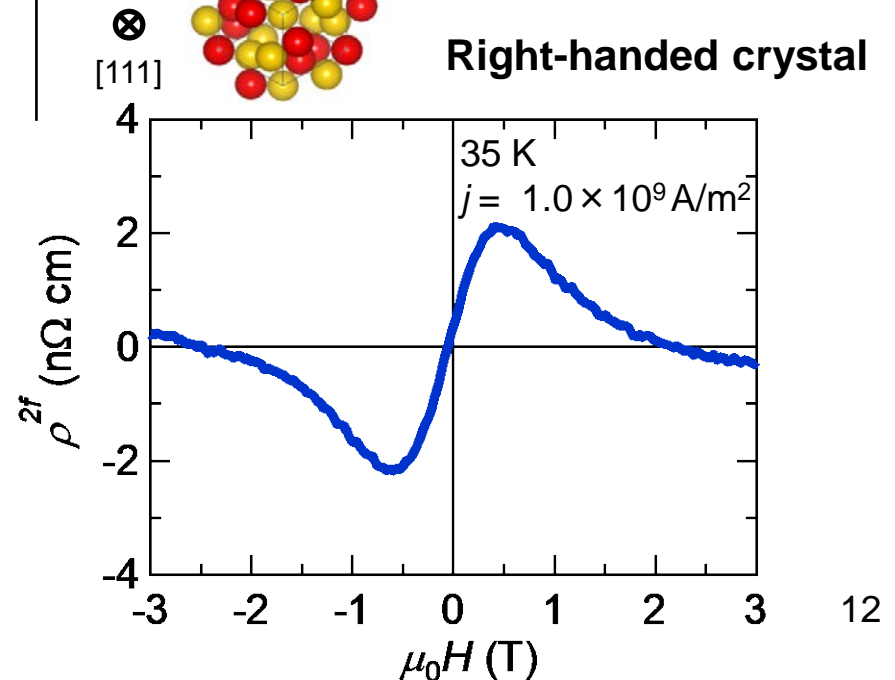
Thin plate sample



Left-handed crystal

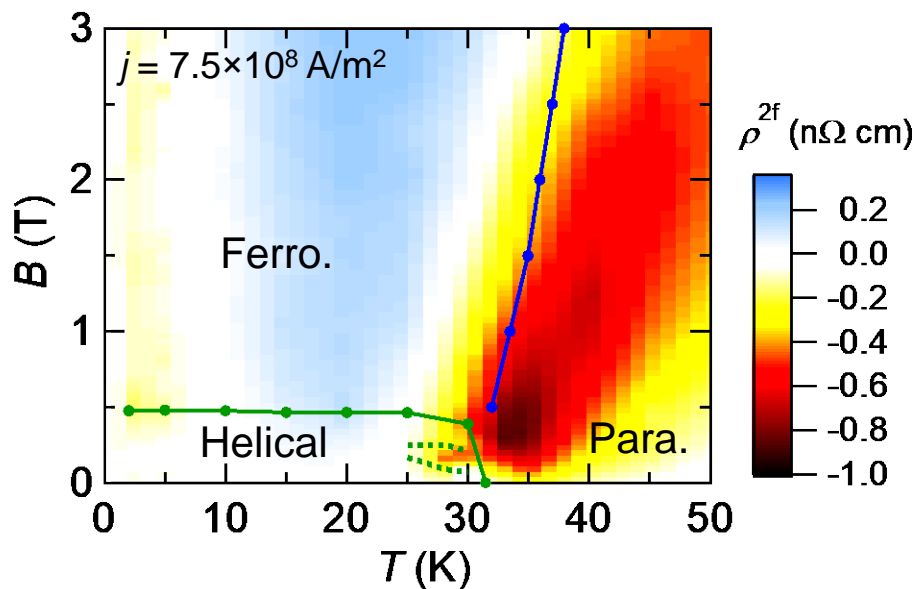
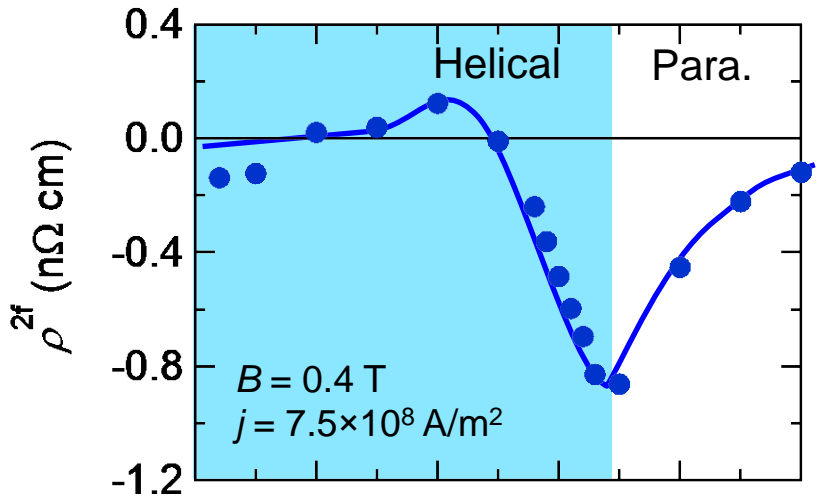


Right-handed crystal

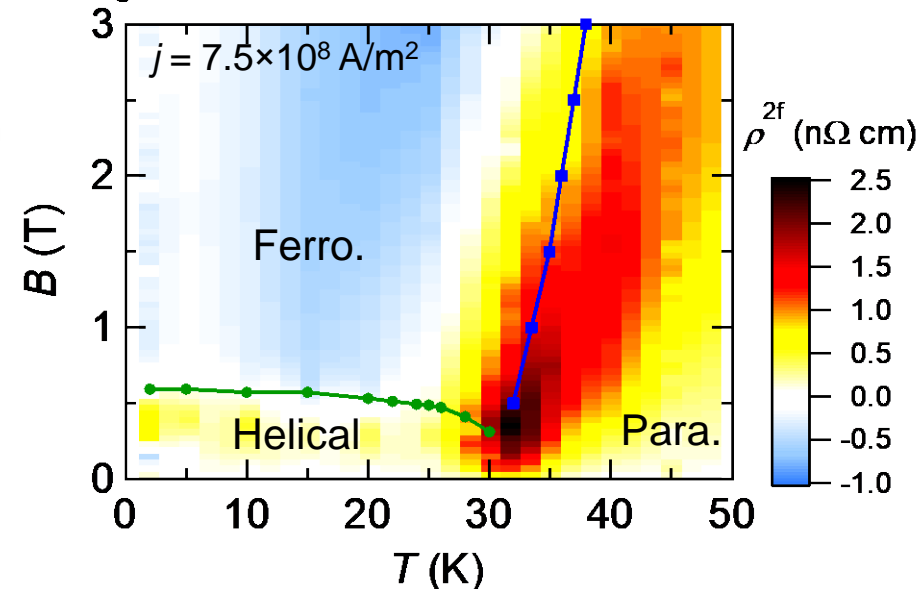
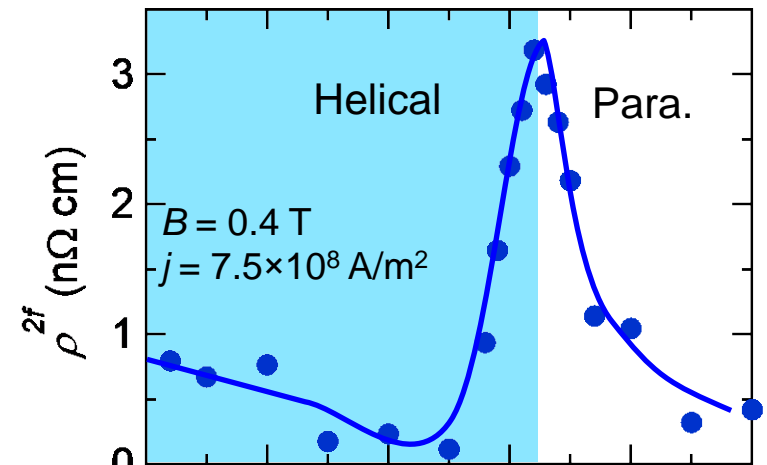


Field & temperature dependence of eMChE

Left-handed crystal



Right-handed crystal

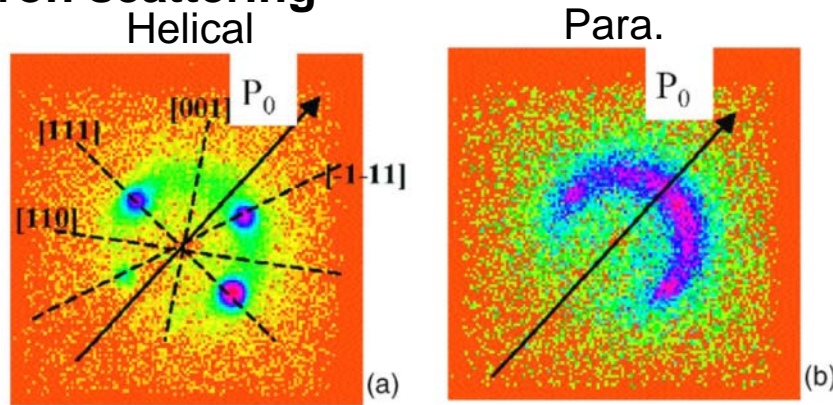


T. Yokouchi *et al.*, Nat. Commun. **8**, 866 (2017).

The magnitude of eMChE is largest just above the transition temperature.

Chiral spin fluctuations in MnSi

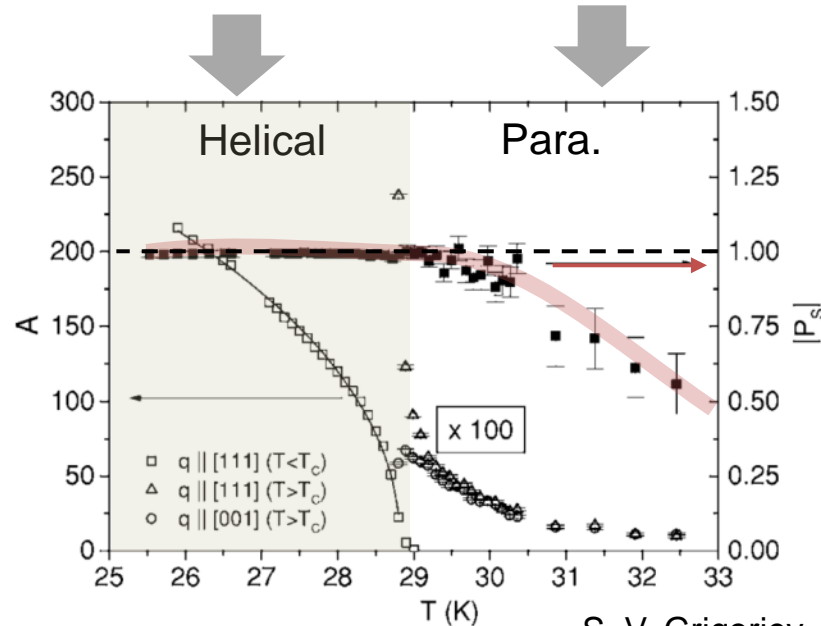
Polarized neutron scattering



Chiral spin fluctuations

$$\langle (C(t) - \langle C \rangle)^2 \rangle$$

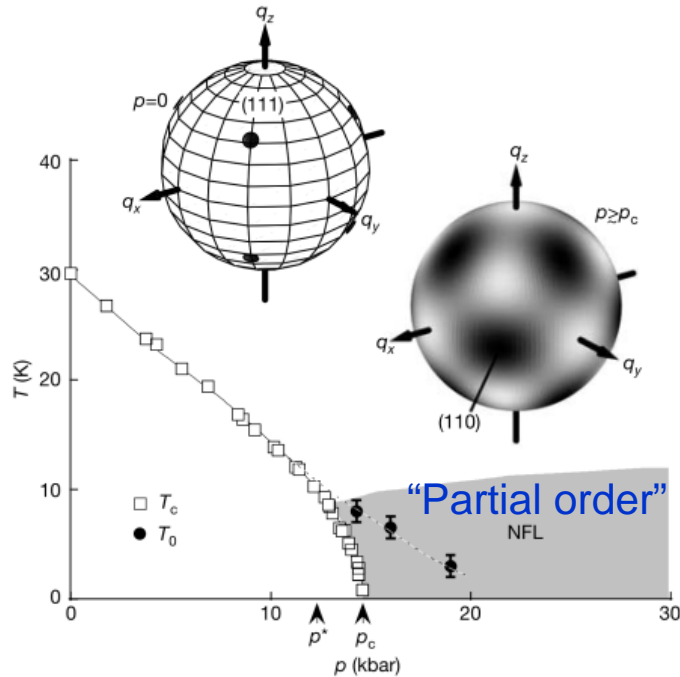
$$C = \mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j$$



S. V. Grigoriev, *et al.*, PRB **72**, 134420 (2005).

The chiral nature of spins still remains even in the paramagnetic phase. Asymmetric electron scattering by the chiral spin fluctuations gives rise to eMChE.

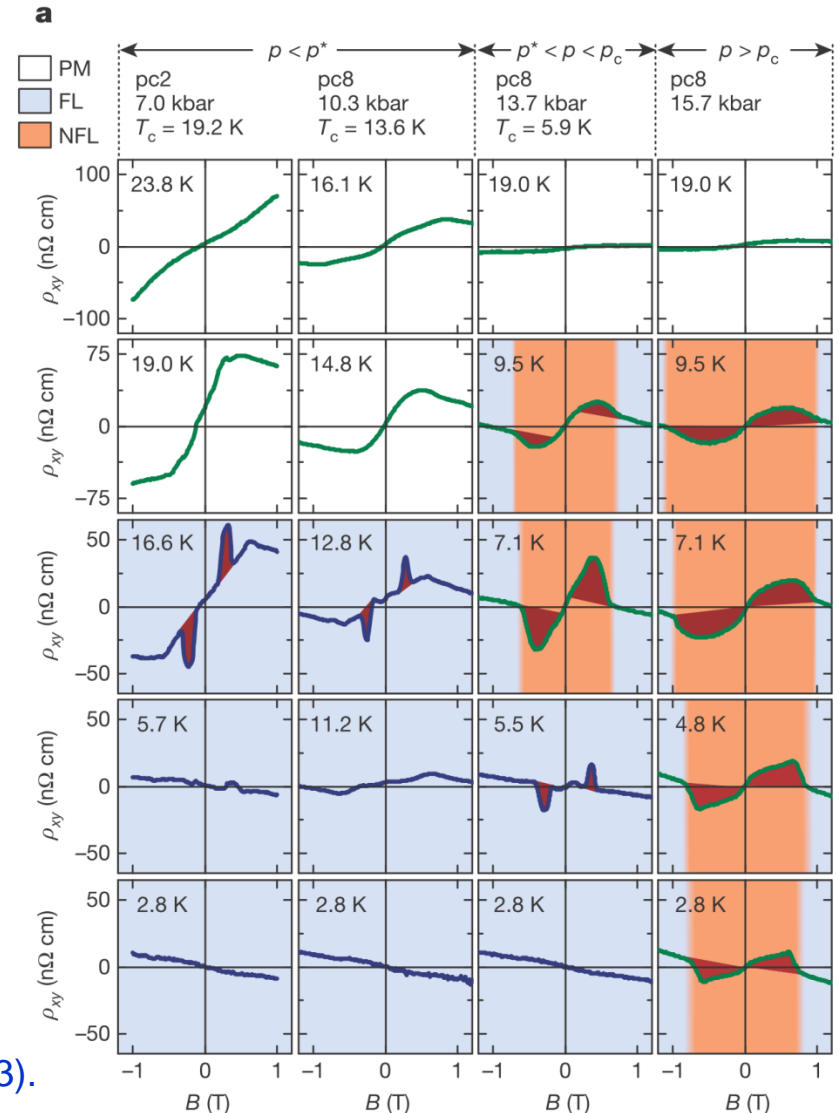
Pressure effect on eMChE



C. Pfleiderer, *et al.*, Nature **427**, 227 (2004).

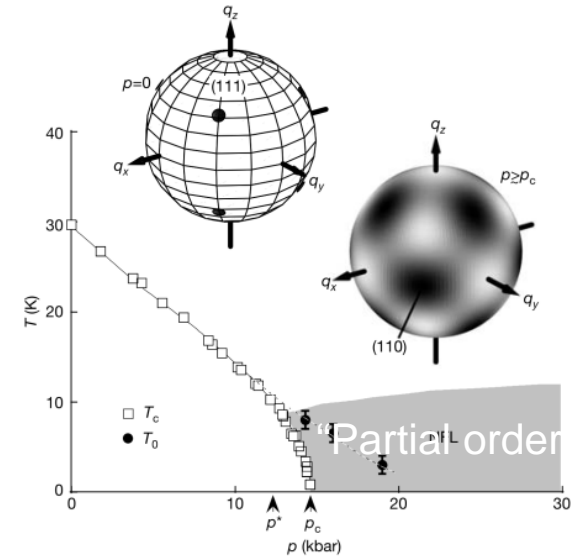
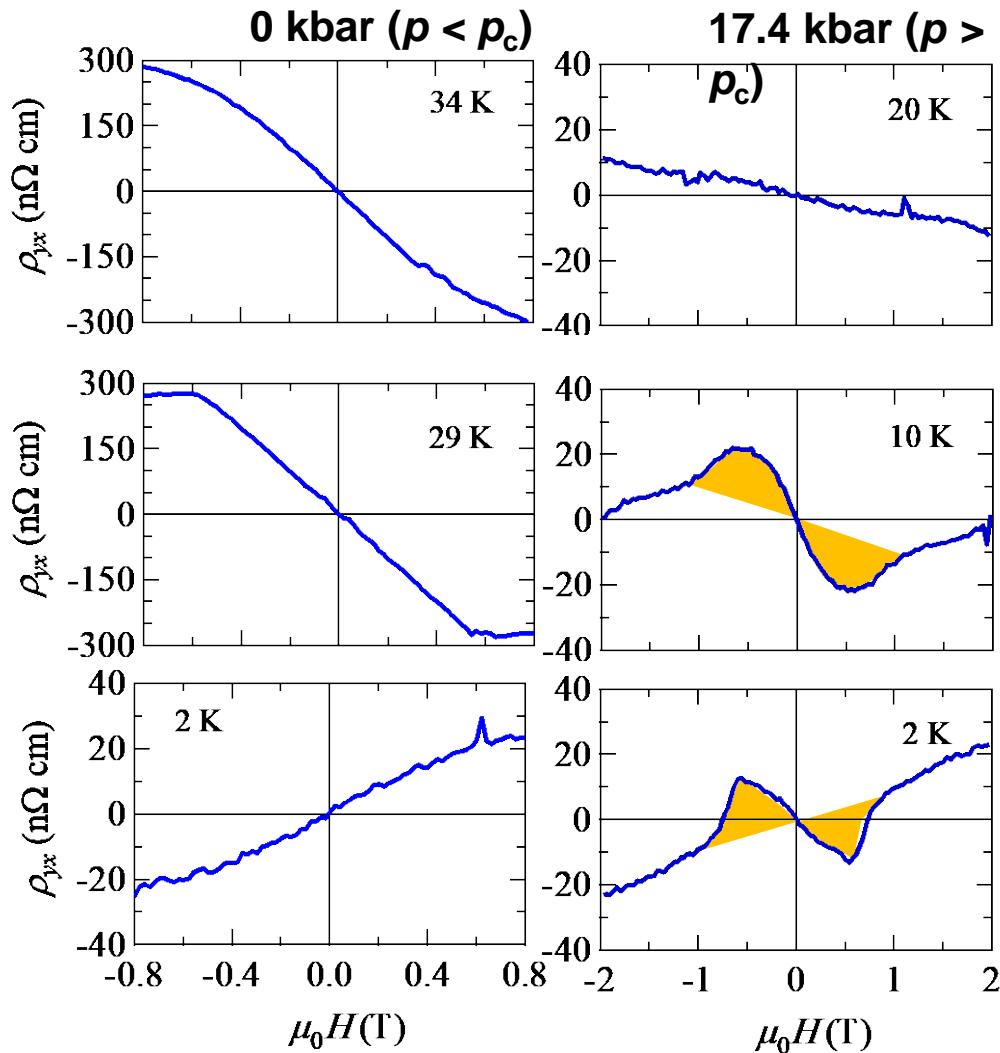
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"Partial order" Dynamical topological spin texture related to quantum phase transition.

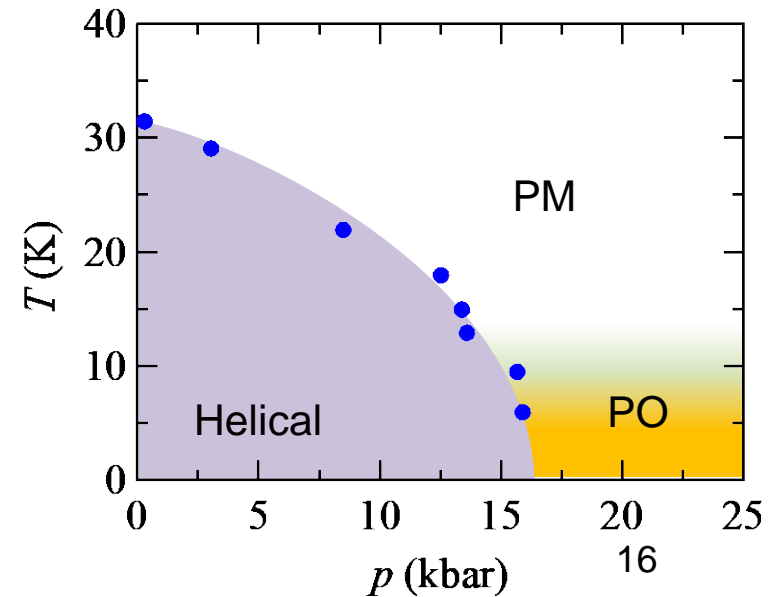


Pressure effect on Hall resistivity

Topological Hall effect in PO

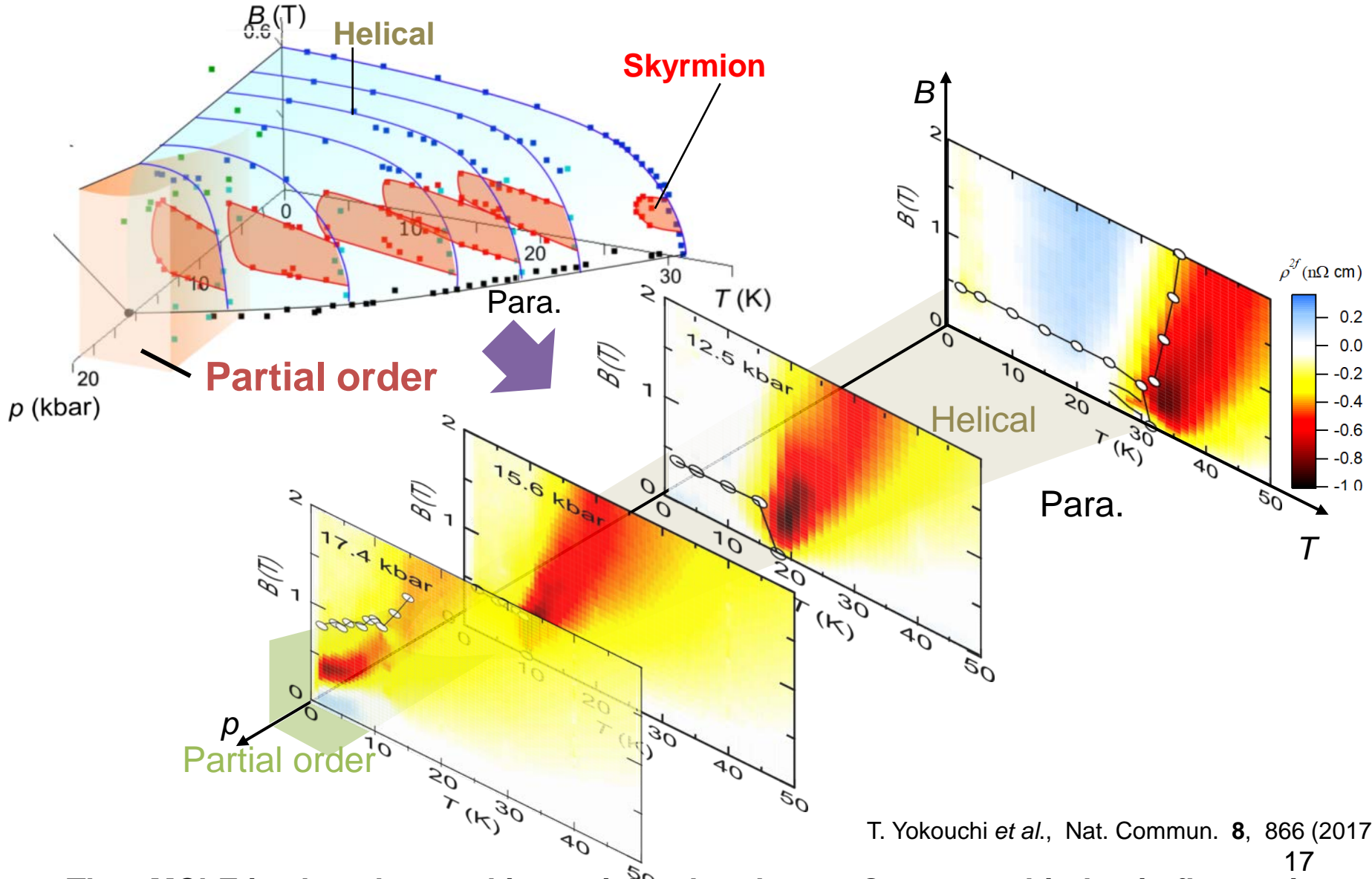


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Electrical magnetochiral effect under pressure

p - T - B phase diagram of MnSi



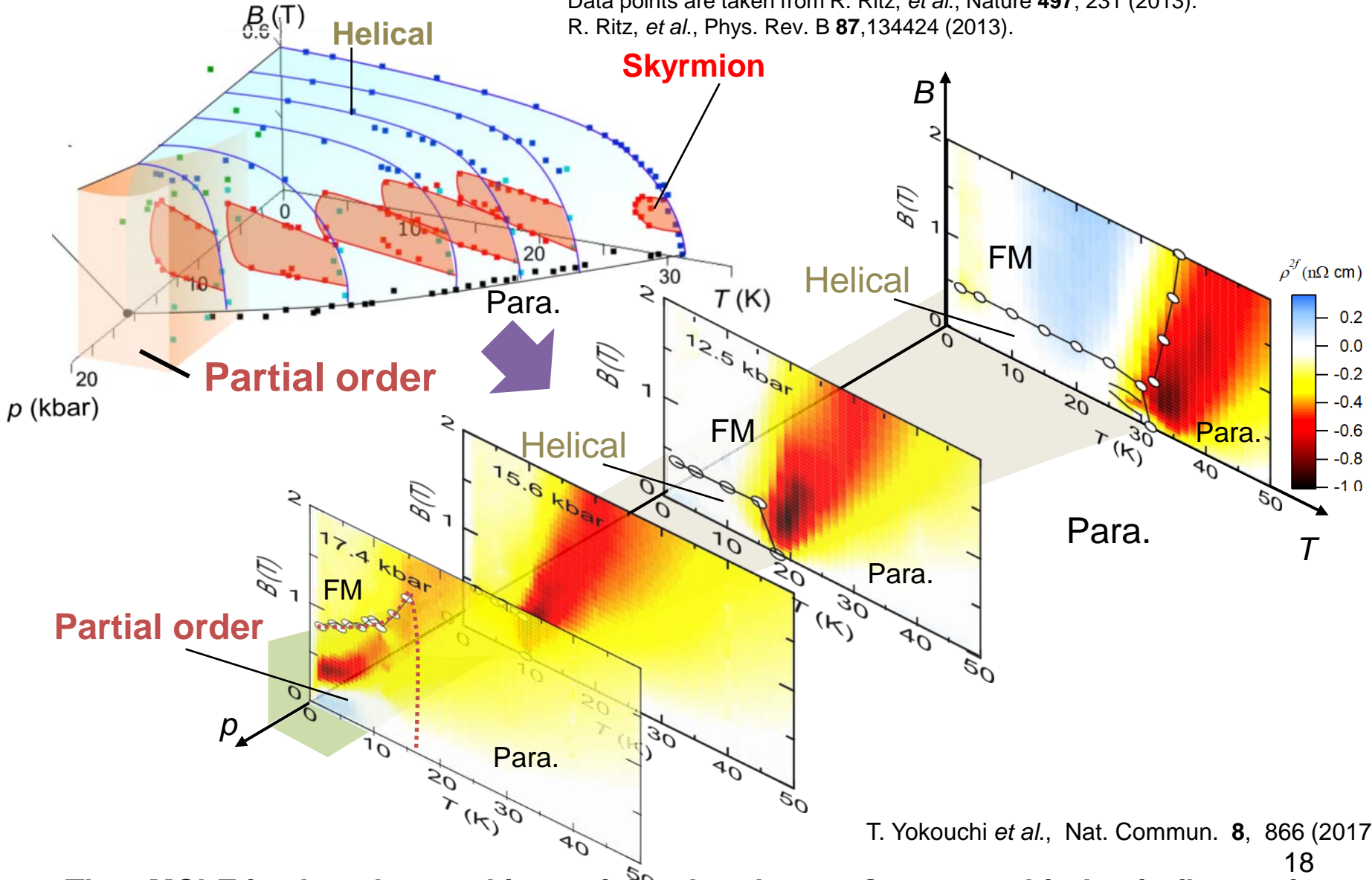
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The eMChE is also observed in partial order phase → Quantum chiral spin fluctuations

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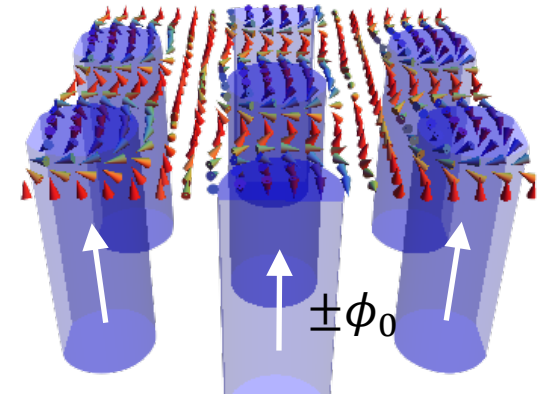
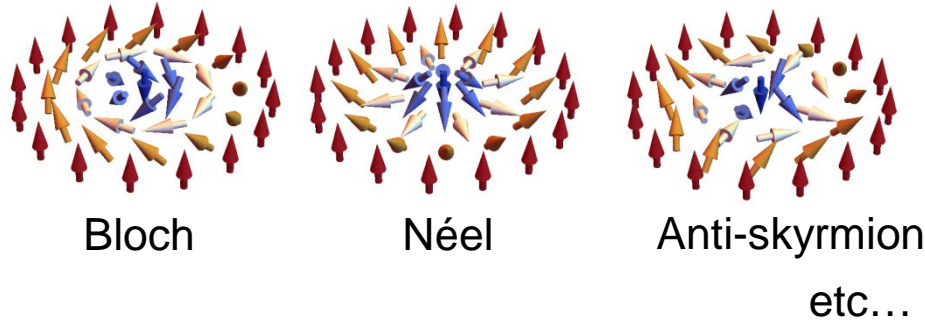


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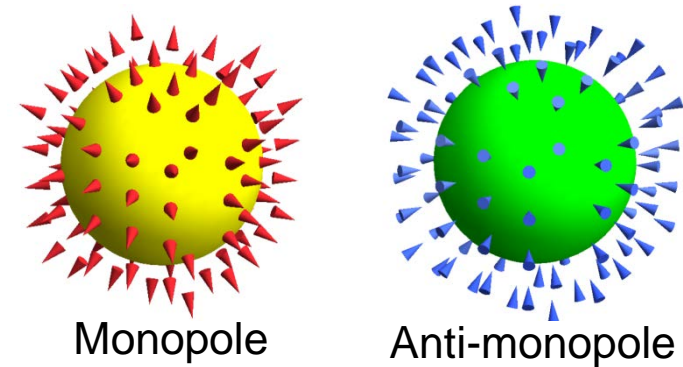
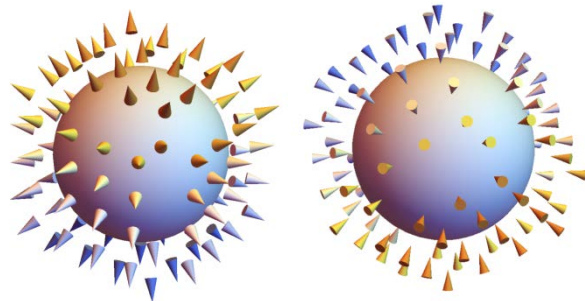
Hedgehogs and emergent monopoles

Skyrmions and anti-skyrmions



Flux-line distribution

Hedgehogs and anti-hedgehogs



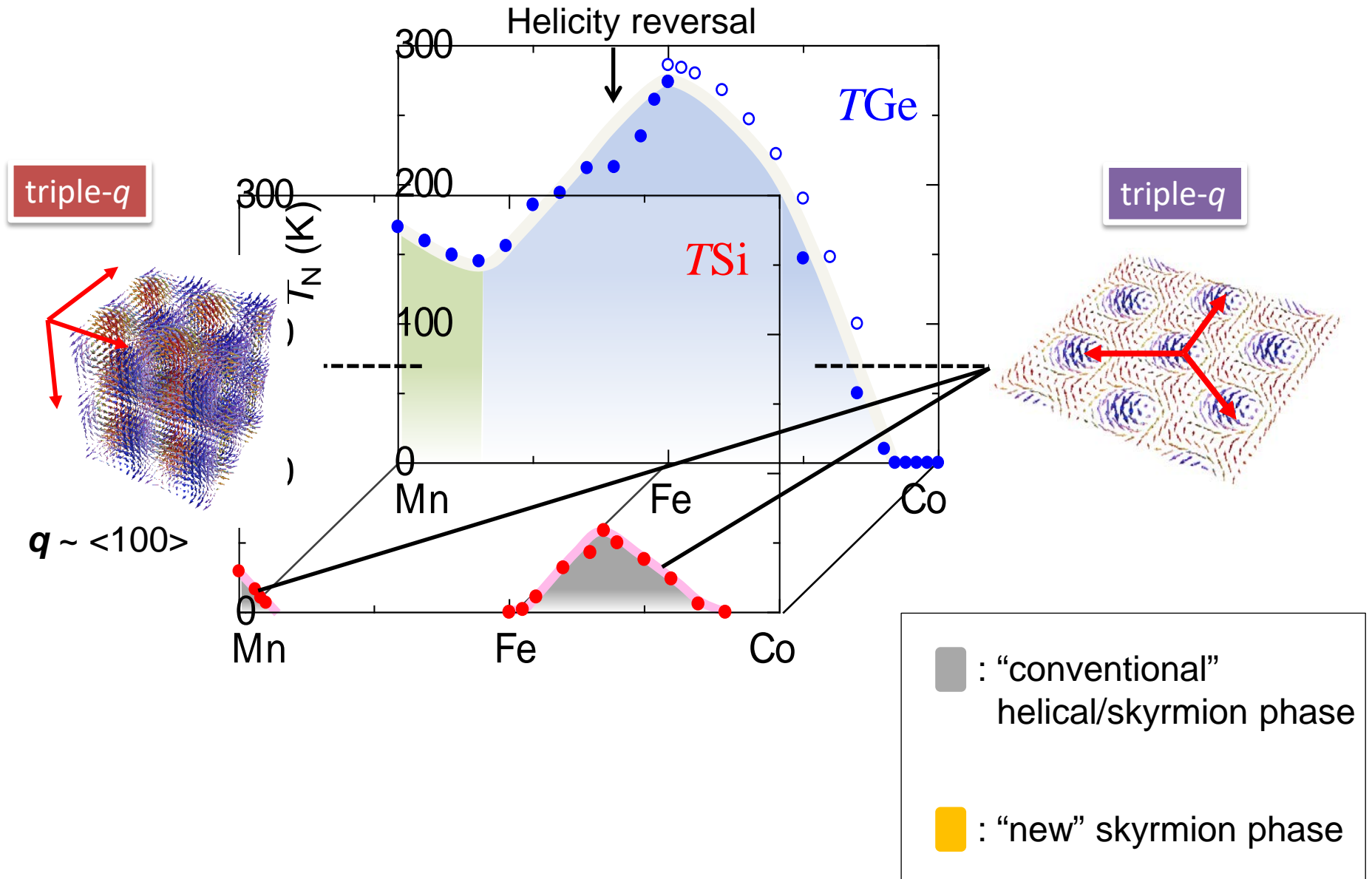
etc...

$$\vec{b} = \nabla \times \vec{e} \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \vec{b} = 4\pi Q \delta(\mathbf{r}) \quad Q: \text{monopole charge}$$

$$= \frac{d\mathbf{b}}{dt} + \nabla \times \mathbf{e} = -\mathbf{J}_m \quad \mathbf{J}_m: \text{monopole current}$$

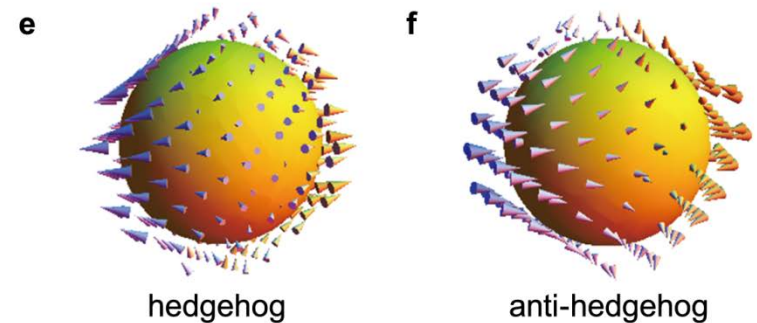
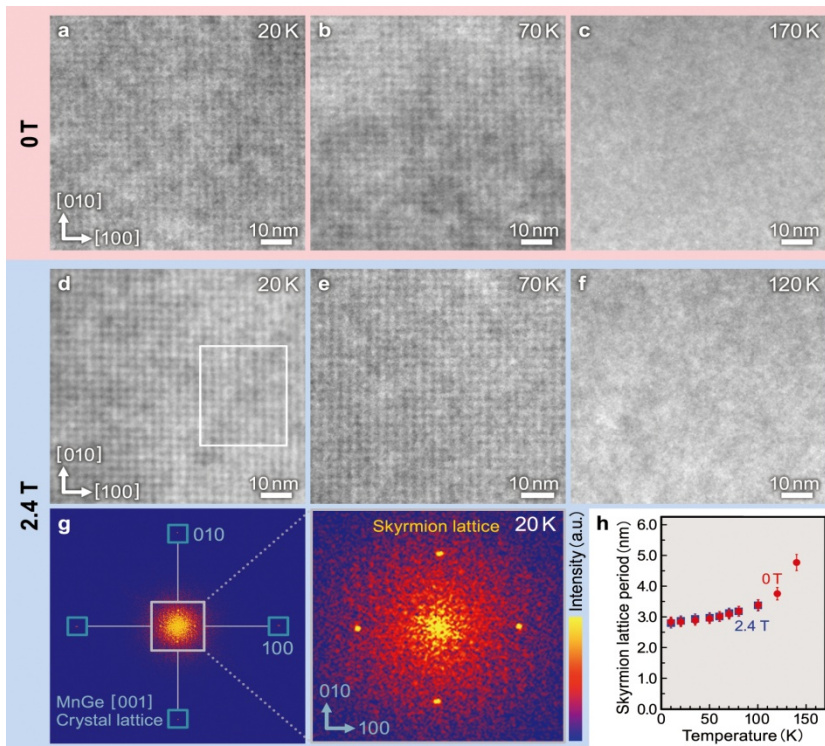
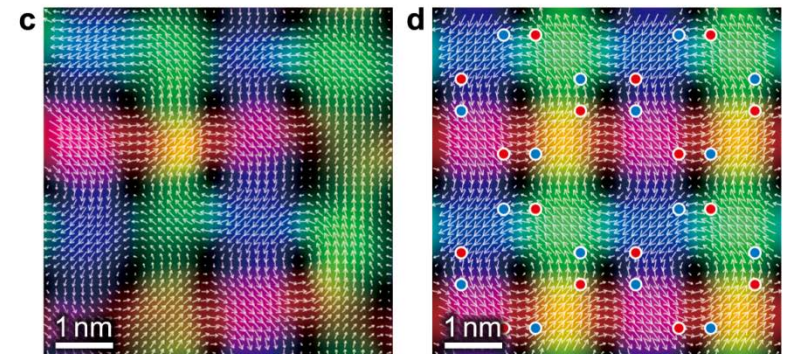
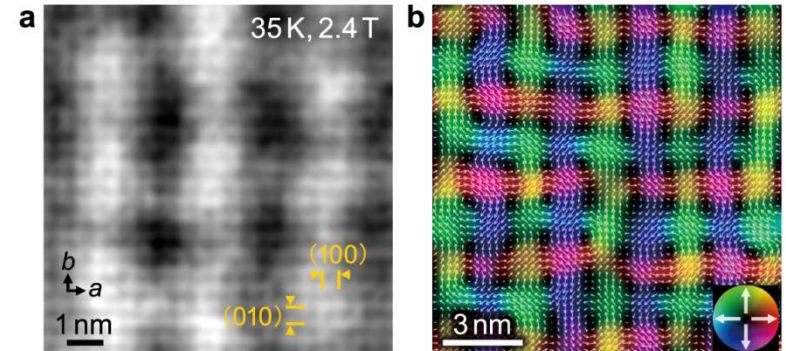
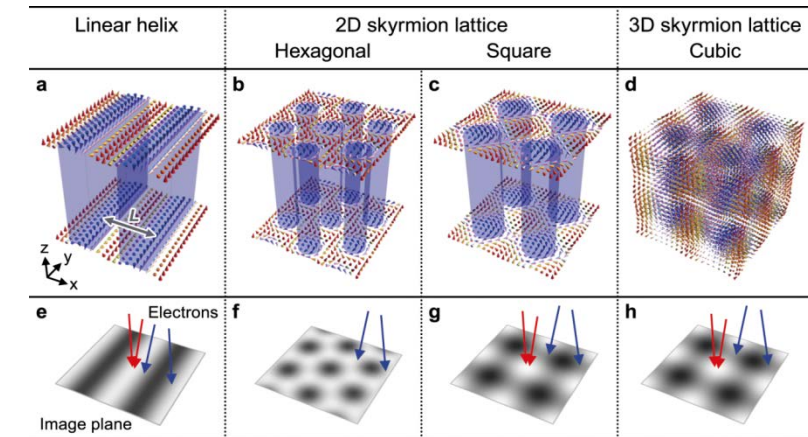
Pair of hedgehog and anti-hedgehog in MnGe

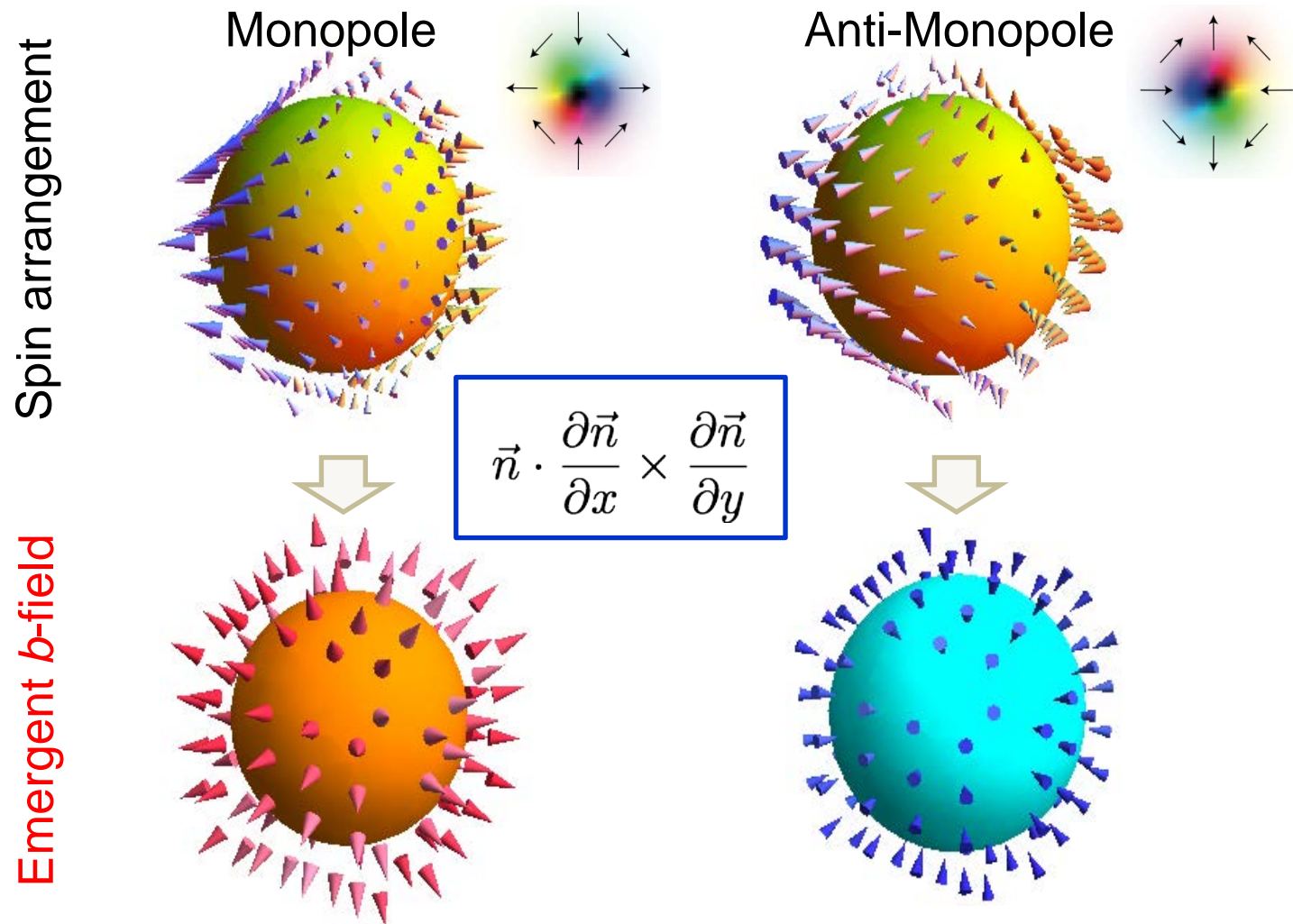
Magnetic phase diagram in *B20* compounds



MnGe; short-period cubic lattice of skyrmion

T. Tanigaki et al. Nano Lett. (2016)



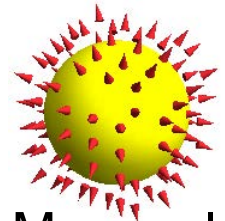
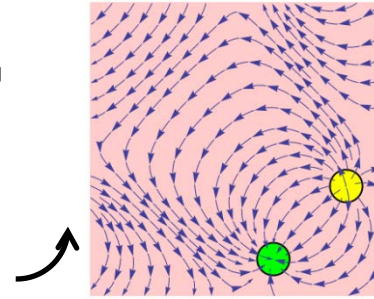
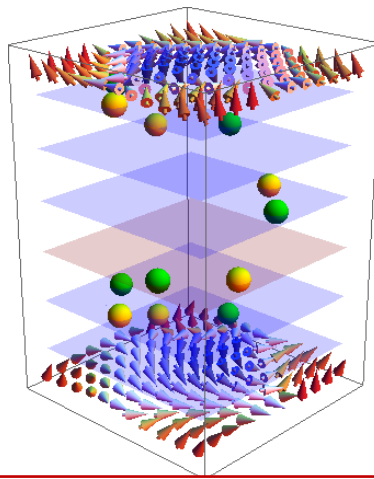
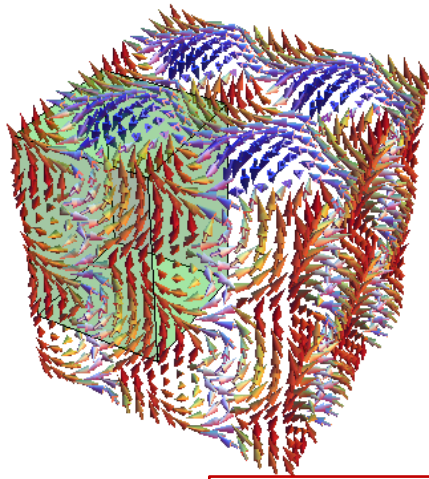


Monopole electronics??

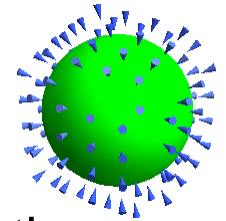
[N. Kanazawa et al. Nature Commun. \(2016\)](#)

Magnetic field dependence of emergent monopole-antimonopole crystal

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Monopole



Anti-monopole

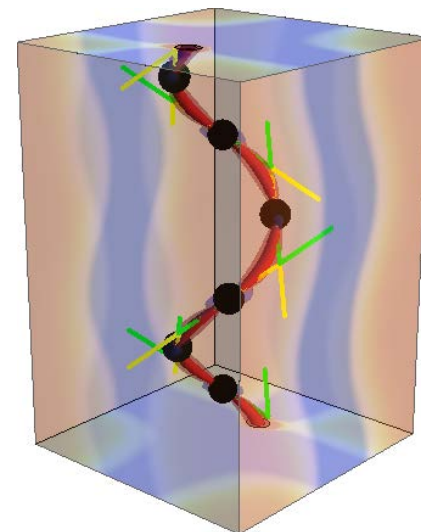
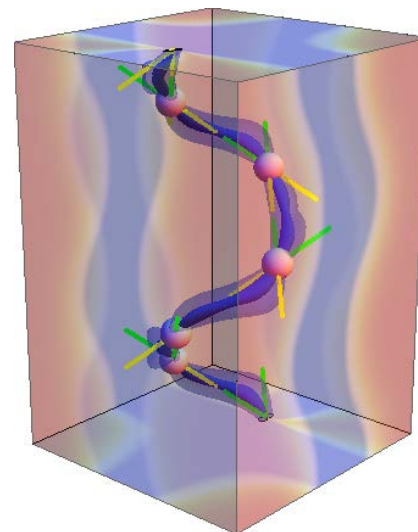
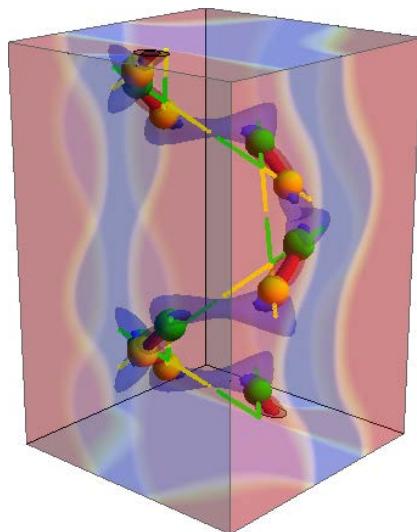
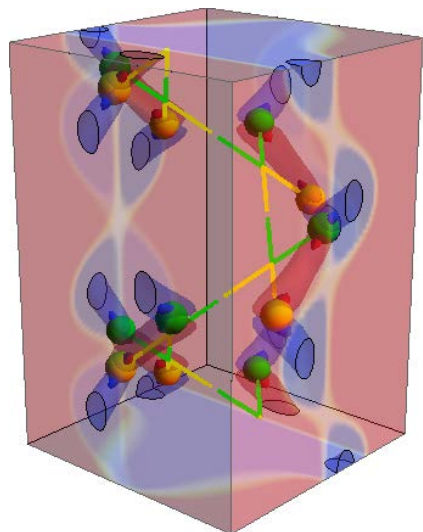
$$\text{polarization factor } n_z \equiv \frac{1}{V_{\text{unit cell}}} \int_{\text{unit cell}} M_z(\mathbf{r}) / |\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r})| dV$$

$n_z = 0$

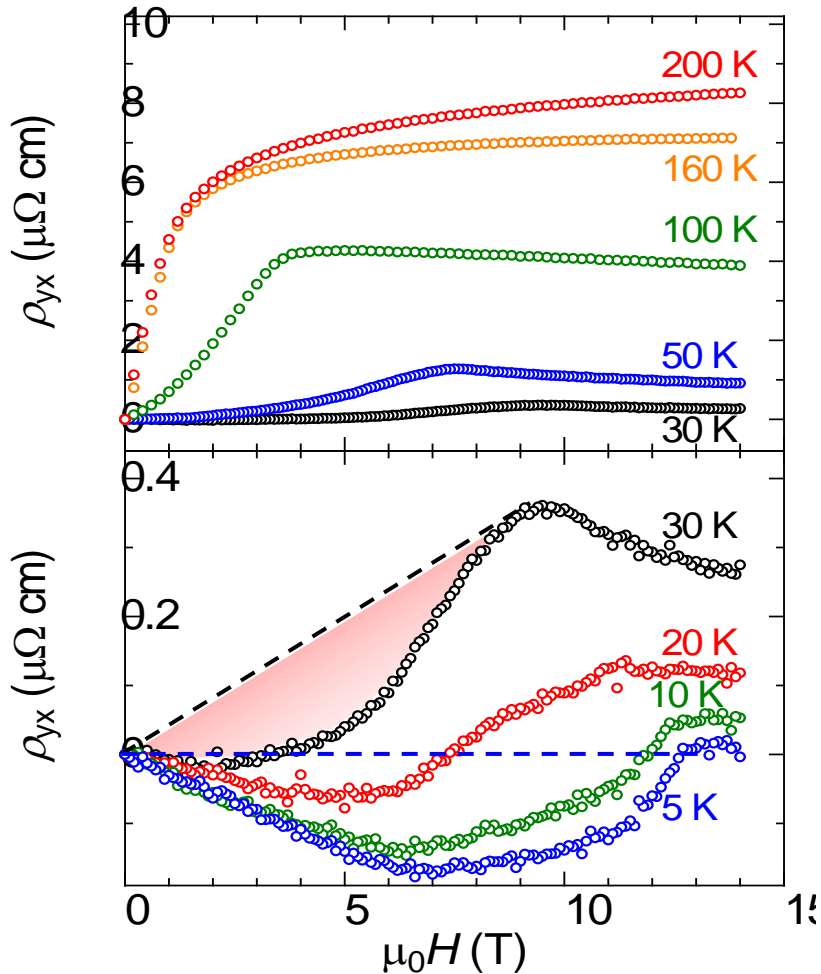
$n_z = 0.245$

$n_z = 0.457$

$n_z = 0.605$



Topological Hall effect in MnGe



Hall “resistivity”

$$\rho_{yx} = R_0 B_z + S_H \rho_{xx}^2 M + P R_0 b_z(r)$$

Do not obey AHE relation

- Hall resistivity is not proportional to M
- Sign change of ρ_{yx} below 30 K

$$H < H_C$$

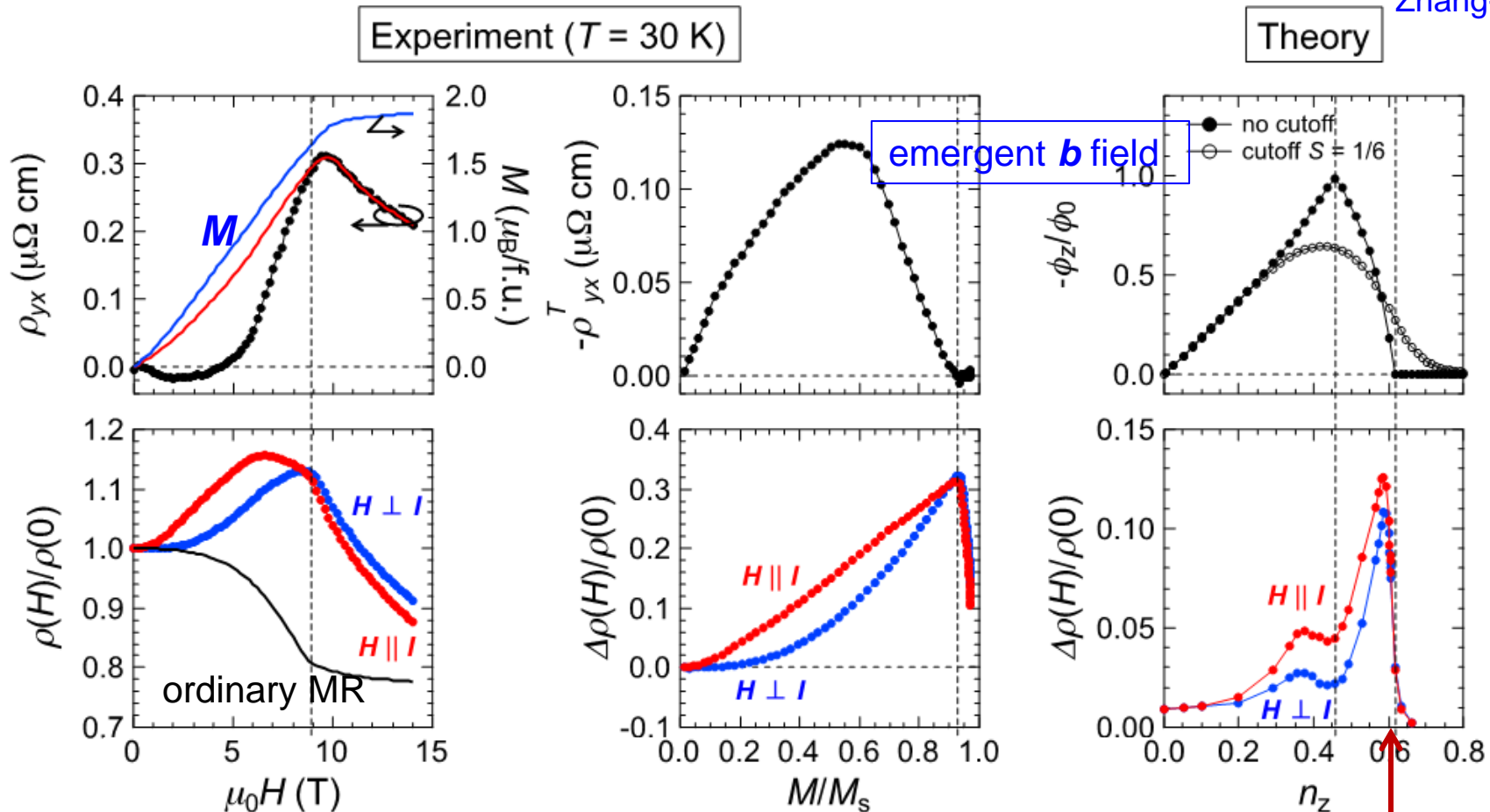
Topological Hall effect
due to a non-coplanar spin order (Skyrmion)

$$\rho_{yx}^T \sim -0.16 \mu\Omega \text{ cm} \rightarrow B_{\text{eff}} \sim -40 \text{ T}$$

Magnetic field dependence of emergent monopole-antimonopole crystal

N. Kanazawa et al. Nature Commun. (2016)

Zhang-Nagaosa



✓ Topological Hall effect (emergent b field) is maximized at mid H region.

✓ Positive MR is maximized at the skyrmion-vanishing point.

monopole pair annihilation

Large scattering rate by the enhanced fluctuation at the annihilation point.

Summary

particle nature of skyrmions protected by topology

Skyrmion recrystallization
topological phase separation

skyrmion strings as **quantum soft matter**

Dynamical deformation of skyrmion strings
generate emergent **e & b** fields.

Magnetic monopole fluctuations
as strong scatterer of conduction electrons

Large magnetoresistance and thermoelectricity
upon unwinding monopole-antimonopole pairs