

# ***“Energy Harvesting by Spin Current” - Power Spintronics -***

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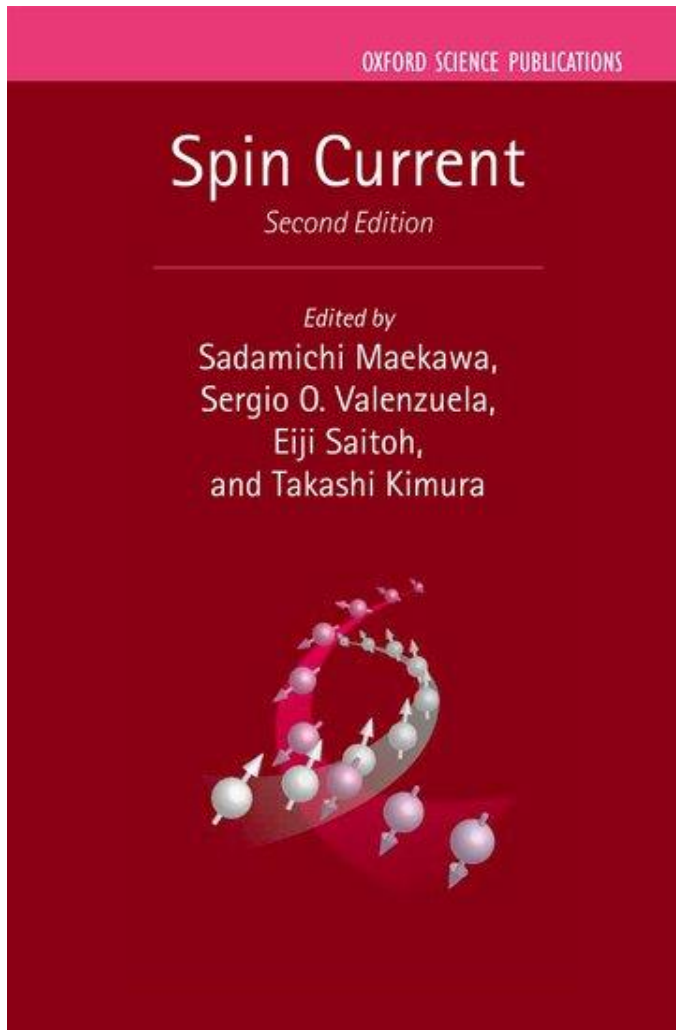
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Published in September 2017***

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*Hunting society (1.0) (狩猟社会)*

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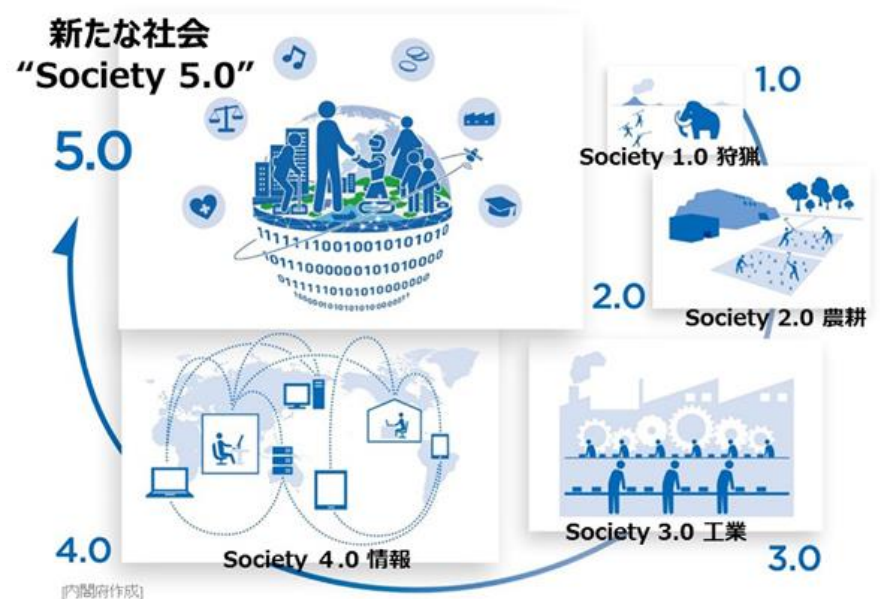
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*Information society (4.0) (情報社会)*

*Future society (5.0) (AI, IoT,...)*



Key issues:  
*energy, sensors, ...*



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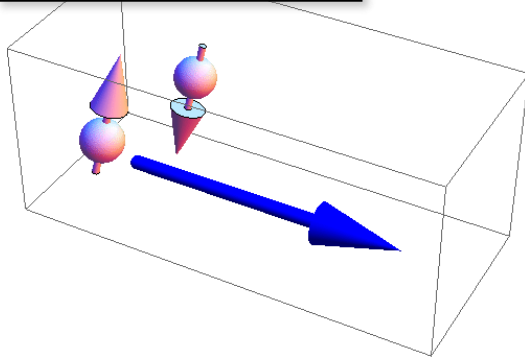
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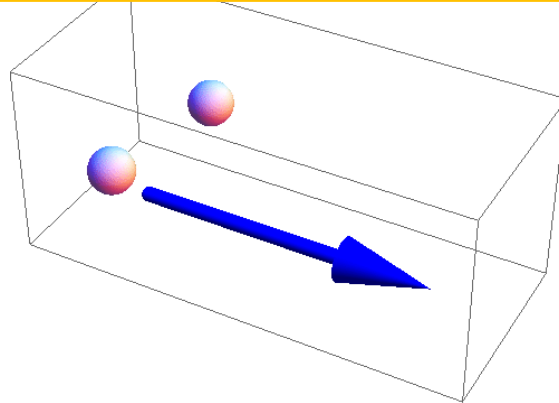
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# Spintronics

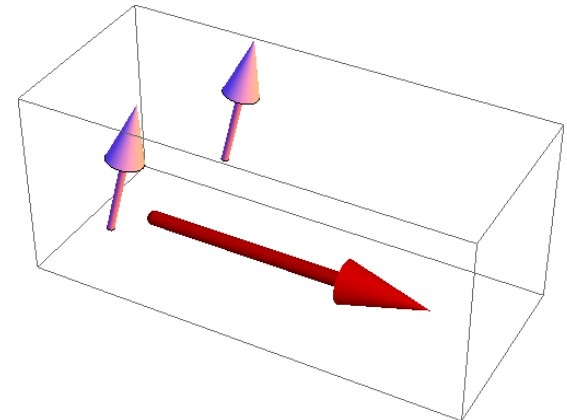
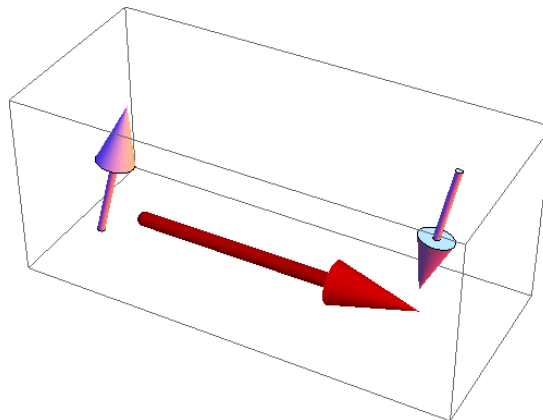
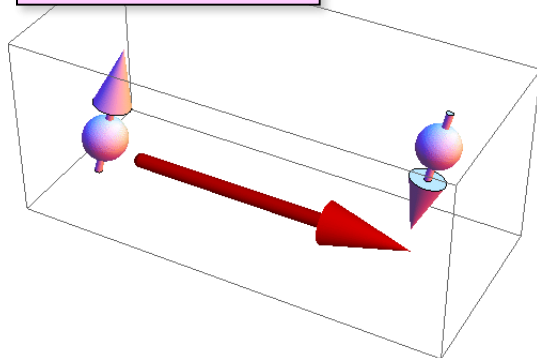
Electric current:  
Flow of charge



**Spin current, charge current!**



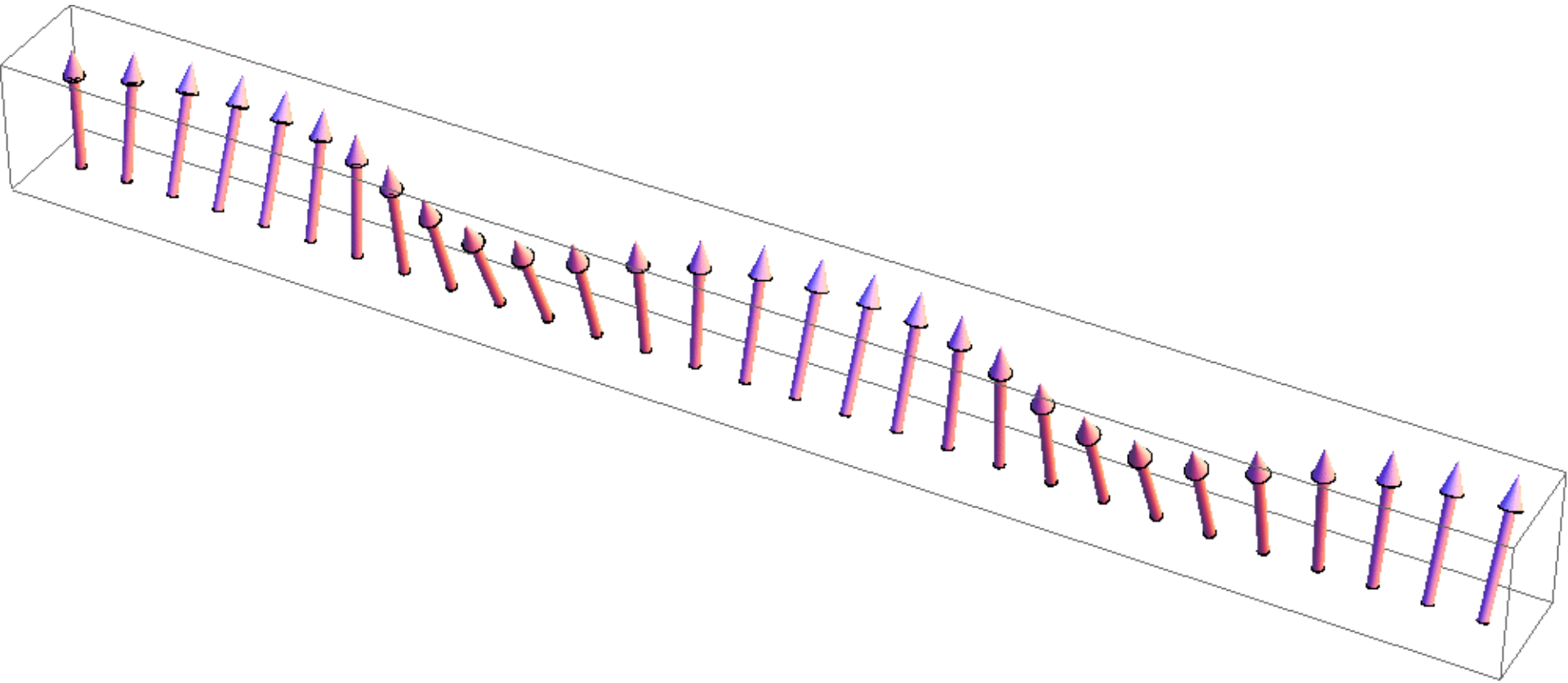
Spin current:  
Flow of spin



**Spin current is free from Joule heating!**

**⇒ Energy-saving devices; Solution to the heating problem in electronics.**

# Spin-wave (magnon) spin current



## ***Interactions for spin current:***

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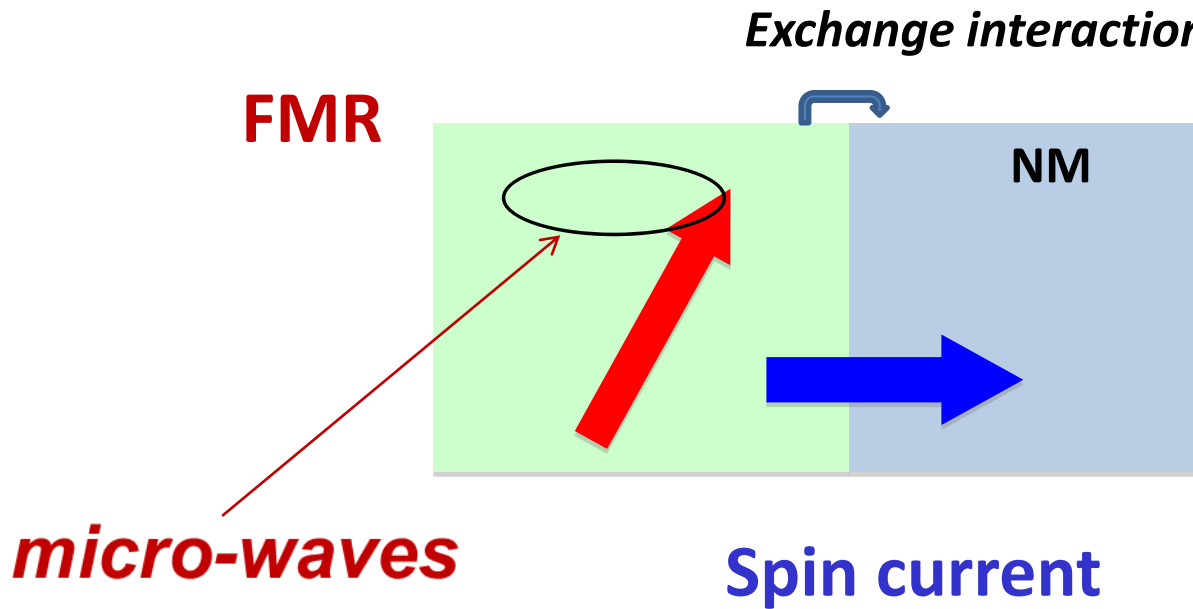


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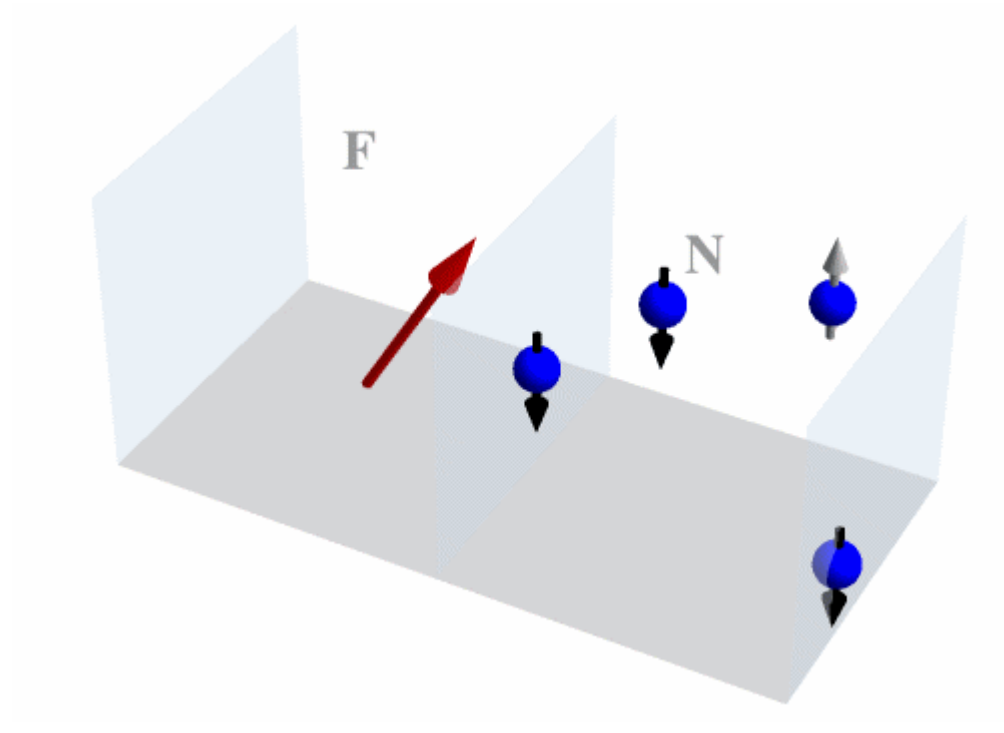


# Spin pumping

*(spin current generation by FMR)*



*Exchange interaction at the interface ( $J_{sd}$ )!!*



19<sup>th</sup> Century

21<sup>st</sup> Century

Energy

Interconversion

Spin-Seebeck effect

Heat

Electricity

Seebeck effect (1821)



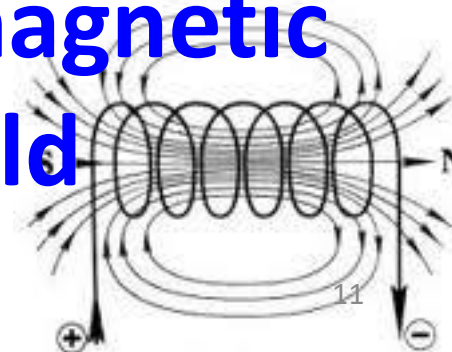
Spin-motive force

Magneto-caloric effect (1881)

Faraday effect (1831)

Magnet

Electromagnetic field



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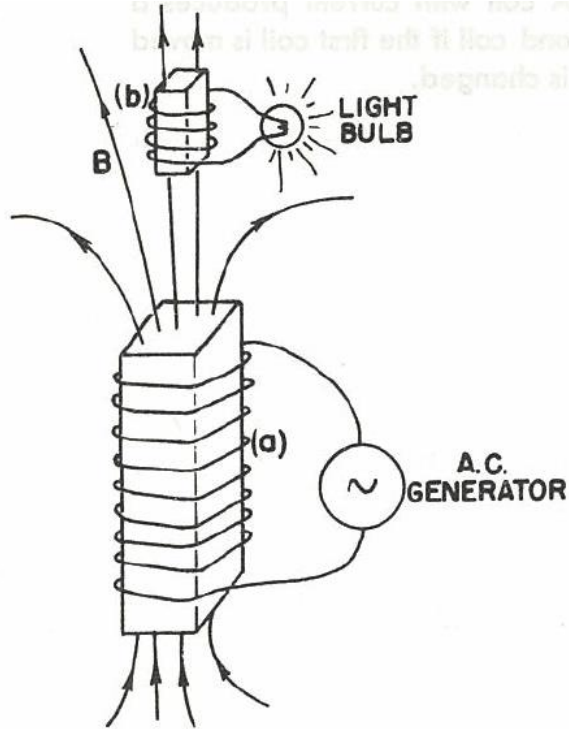
***Energy conservation and harvesting by spin current***



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# Faraday's law of induction :

(after The Feynman Lectures on Physics (1964))



Modern electrical technology  
began with Faraday's law!!  
(by Feynman)

Fig. 16-5. Two coils, wrapped around bundles of iron sheets, allow a generator to light a bulb with no direct connection.

*from Faraday to Dirac, and more...*



M. Faraday

Faraday's law:

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt} \quad (1831)$$

Maxwell Equation:

(1865)

Dirac equation:

Q.M. + Special Relativity

→ Electron should have

“spin.” (1928)



P.A.M. Dirac

**Spin current + Faraday's law!!**

S. E. Barnes and S. Maekawa: PRL98, 246601 (2007)

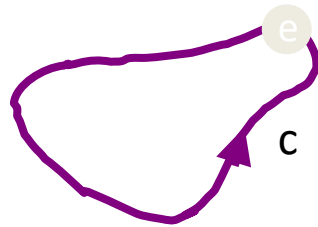
Case i:

# Faraday's Law:

- induced electromotive force

(1831)

$$\mathcal{E} \equiv \frac{1}{-e} \oint_c \mathbf{f}_e \cdot d\mathbf{r} = - \oint_c \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = - \frac{d\Phi}{dt}$$



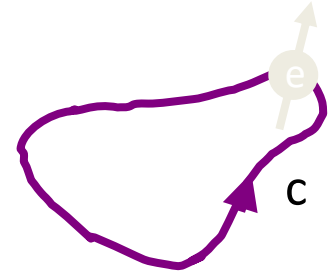
- force acting on electron

$$\mathbf{f}_e = (-e)\mathbf{E} = (-e) \left[ -\nabla\varphi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \right]$$

# Spin-Motive Force

Spin-motive force:

$$\mathcal{E}_s^\pm \equiv \frac{1}{-e} \oint_c \mathbf{f}_s^\pm \cdot d\mathbf{r} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + : \text{up spin} \\ - : \text{down spin} \end{array} \right.$$



• force acting on “spin”

(Barnes & Maekawa 2007)

for example, magnetic field

## (Generalized Faraday's Law)

Electro-motive force:

$$\mathcal{E} \equiv \frac{1}{-e} \oint_c \mathbf{f}_e \cdot d\mathbf{r} \quad (\text{Faraday 1831})$$

• force acting on electric charge

for example, electric field



Case ii:

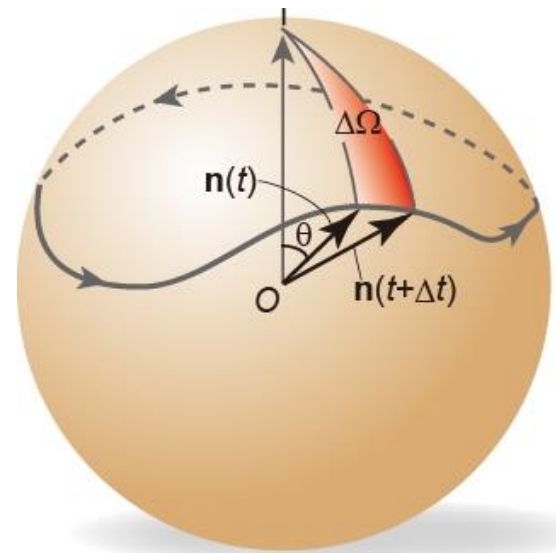
# spin Berry phase

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt} \quad (1831) \quad (\text{Faraday's Law})$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{\hbar}{(-e)} \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \quad (2007) \quad (\text{Generalized Faraday's Law})$$

$$\gamma = \gamma_e + \gamma_s$$

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_e = \frac{(-e)}{\hbar} \Phi \\ \gamma_s = -\frac{\Omega}{2} \end{cases}$$



Force acting on electron charge:  $\mathbf{f}_e = -e(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$

Force acting on electron spin:  $\mathbf{f}_s = -e[\pm \mathbf{E}_s + \mathbf{v} \times (\pm \mathbf{B}_s)]$

Spin electric field:  $E_{is} = \frac{\hbar}{2e} \mathbf{m} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial t} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial x_i} \right)$

Spin magnetic field:  $B_{is} = -\epsilon_{ijk} \frac{\hbar}{4e} \mathbf{m} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial x_j} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial x_k} \right)$

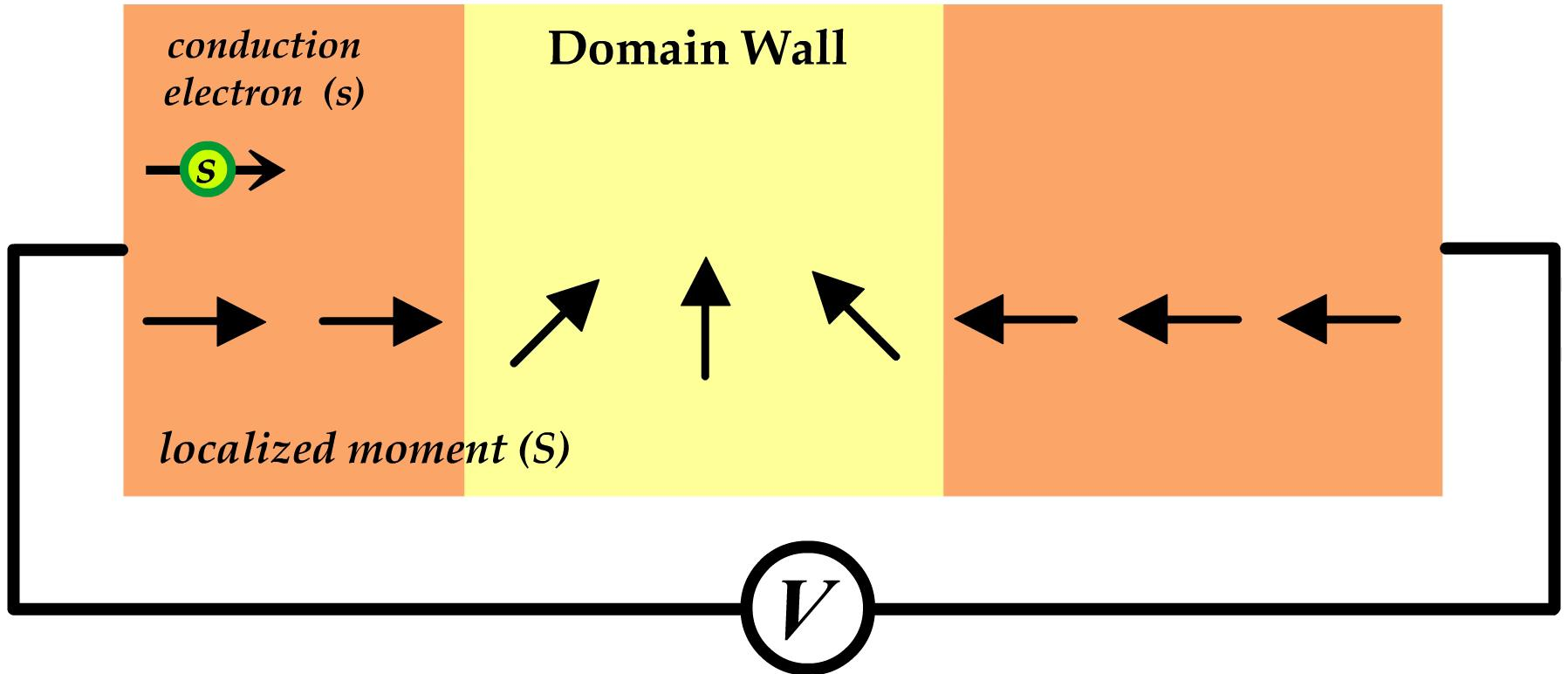
Spin force:

$$\mathbf{f}_{nc} = -\frac{P\hbar}{2} \mathbf{m} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial t} \times \nabla \mathbf{m} \right)$$

**Current-driven domain wall motion:**

$$\theta = 2 \cot^{-1} e^{-(z-z_0)/w}$$

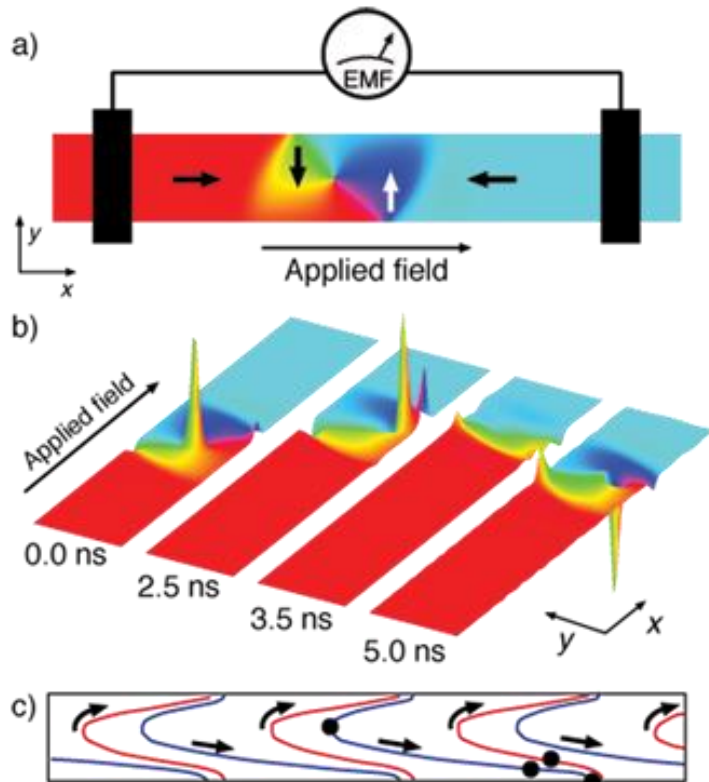
**Magnetic Field (H)**  
**current ( $J_c$ )**  
←



**Domain wall motion by current: Spin transfer torque (STT),  
Electric voltage by domain wall motion: Spin motive force (SMF).  
STT and SMF are the front and back of a coin**

# SMF Case (1):

## emf due to domain wall motion



$$\mathcal{E}_s = \frac{\hbar d\phi}{e dt} = \frac{g\mu_B}{e} H$$

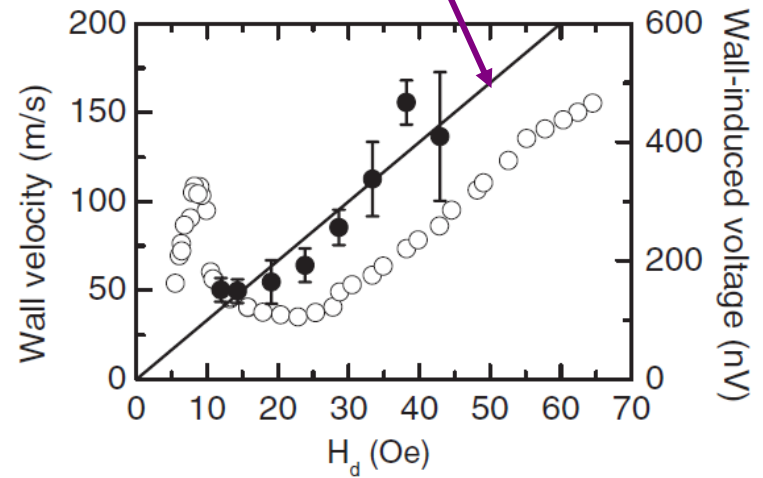
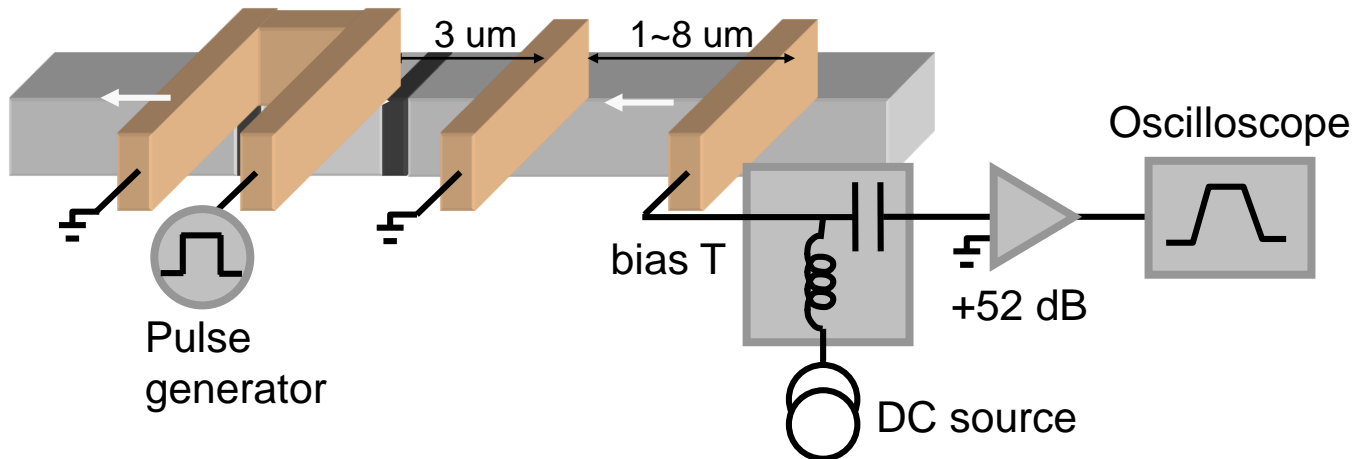
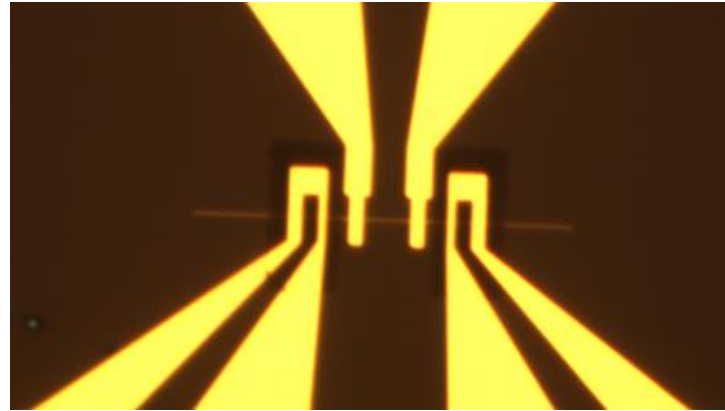
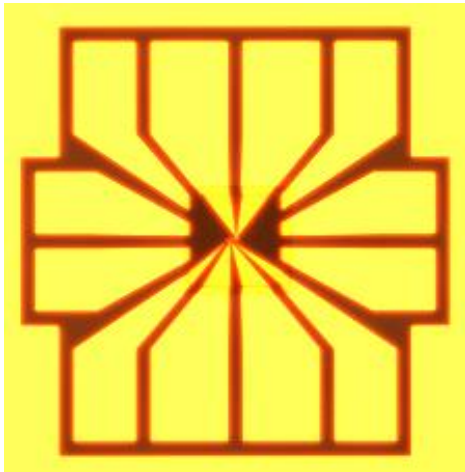


FIG. 4. Measured wall velocity (open symbols) and wall-induced voltage (solid symbols) versus drive-field. Solid line is fit with slope 10 nV/Oe

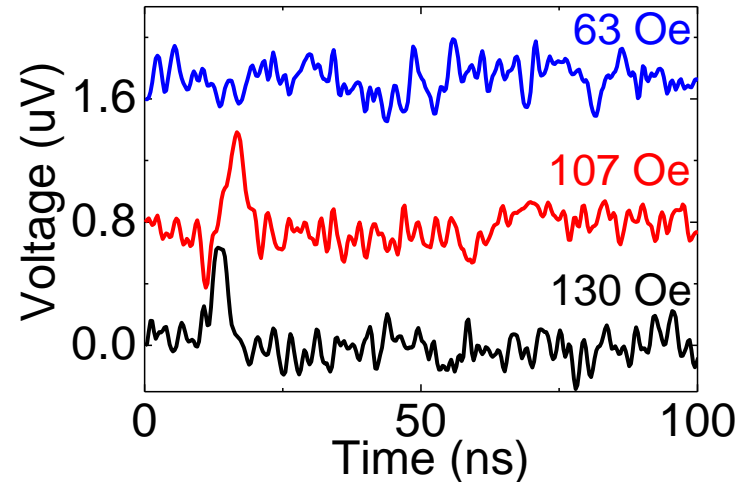
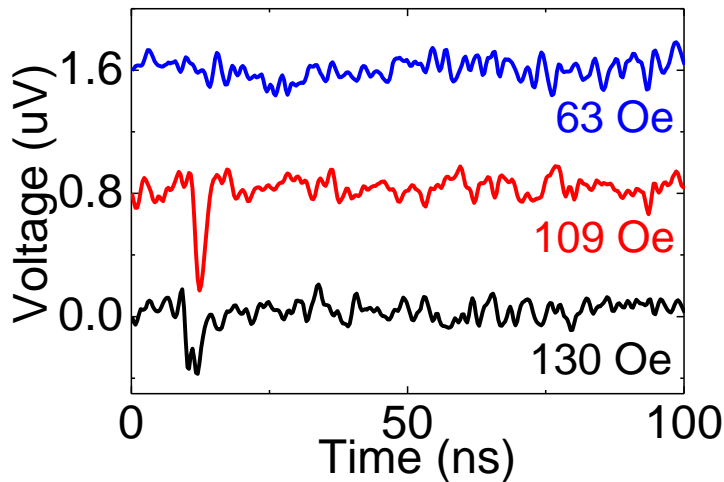
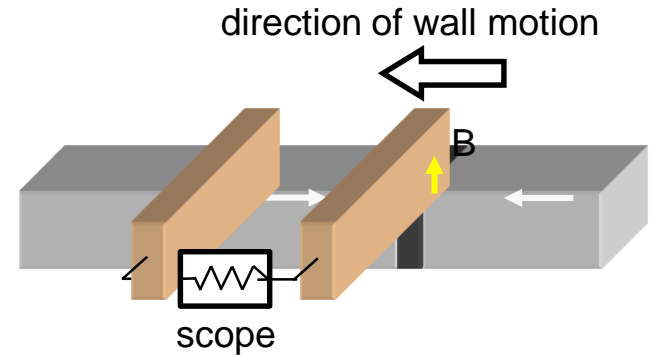
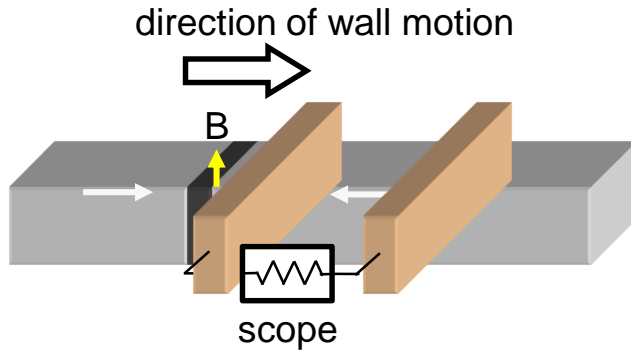
**Electromotive force due to domain wall motion in a NiFe nanowire.**

## (Real Time observation)

- Permalloy nanowires: e-beam lithography
- Dimension: 100-600 nm wide, 10-20 nm thick



# Sign of the voltage: Left moving vs. right moving DW



- Sign of the voltage reverses when the motion direction is altered

**Real Time observation !**

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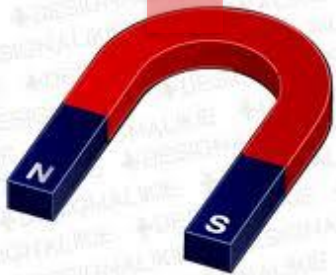
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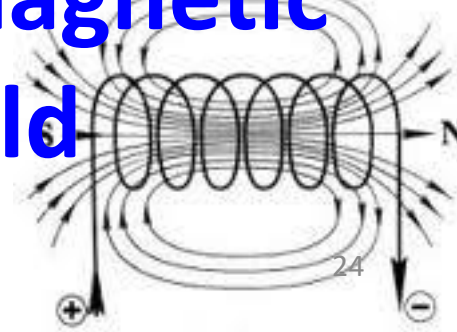


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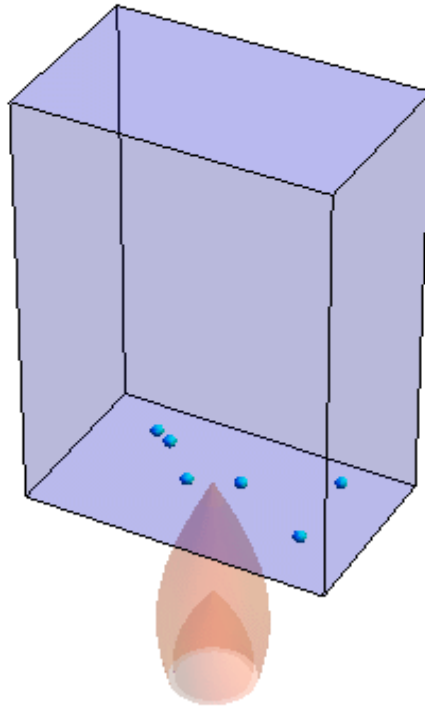
Electromagnetic field





# *Seebeck effect, spin Seebeck effect*

Boiling of water

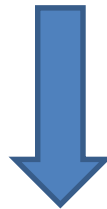


**Boiling of electrons  
(Seebeck effect)**

**Boiling of spin current  
(spin Seebeck effect)**

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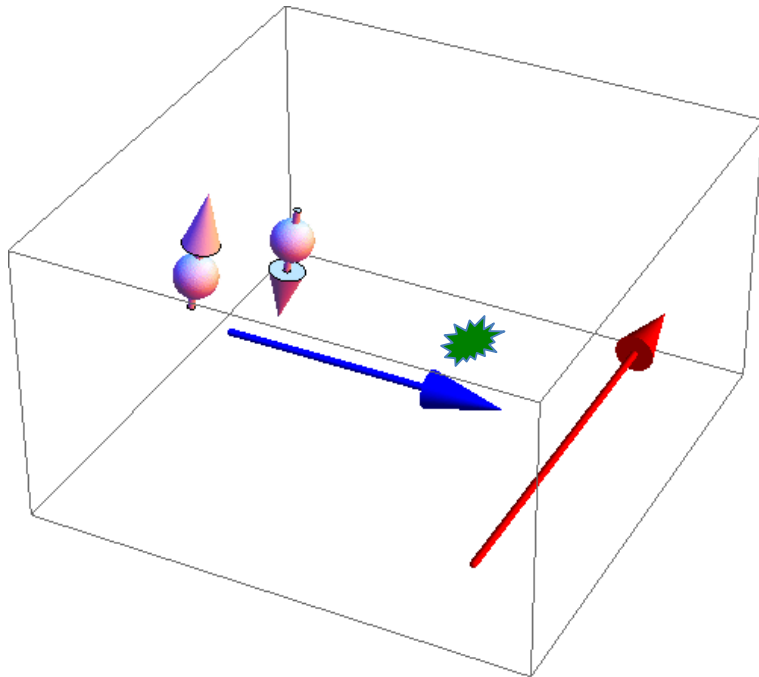
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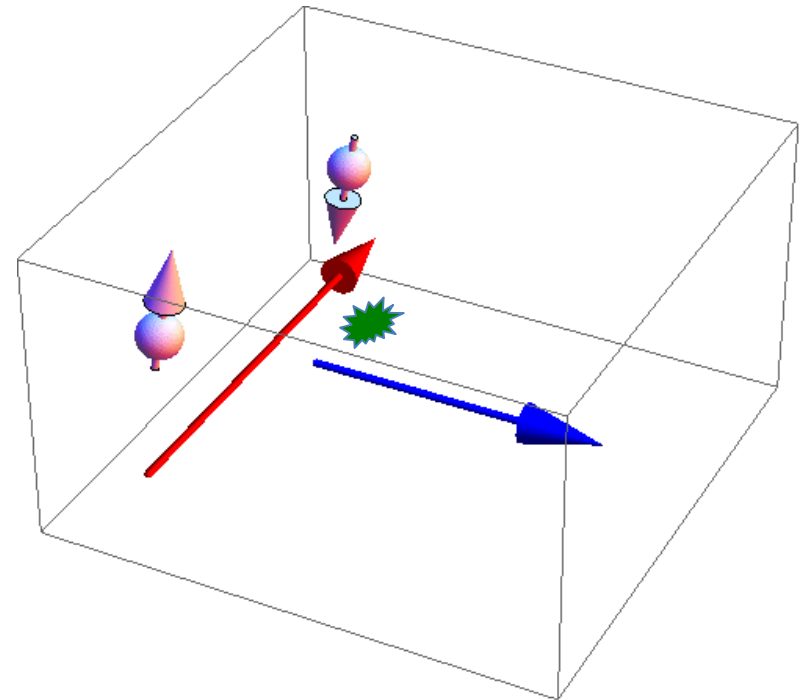
***A variety of phenomena in spintronics.***

# Spin Hall effect

Interconversion of electric current and spin current  
(via **spin-orbit interaction**)



Electric current  
→ Spin current



Spin current  
→ Electric current

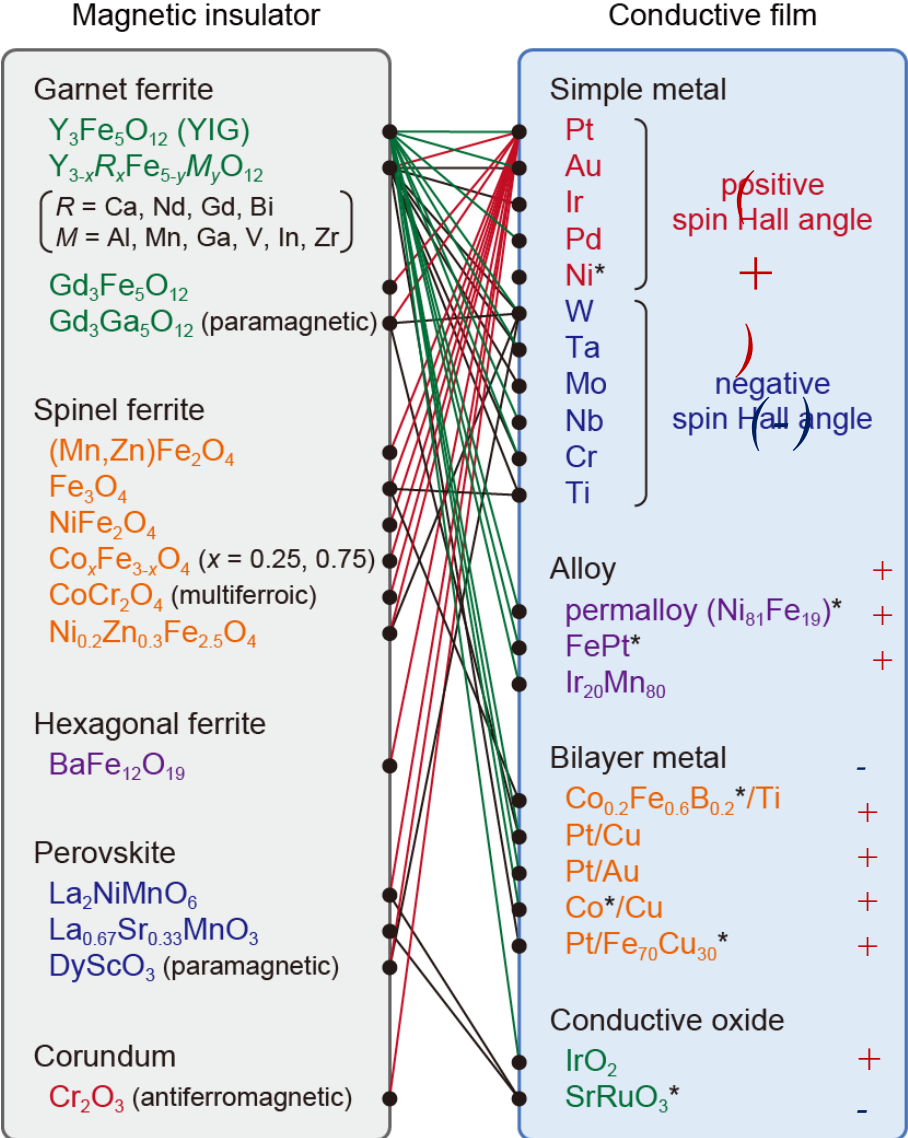
# Combination of magnetic insulators and conductive films used for measuring SSE

*SSE is a universal phenomenon in magnetic materials*

**Model system:**

*Pt/Y<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>5</sub>O<sub>12</sub> (YIG) junction*

*K. Uchida, H. Adahci, T. Kikkawa, A. Kirihara, M. Ishida, S. Yorozu, S. Maekawa, and E. Saitoh, "Thermoelectric generation based on spin Seebeck effects" (IEEE Proc. 106, 1946, (2016)).*



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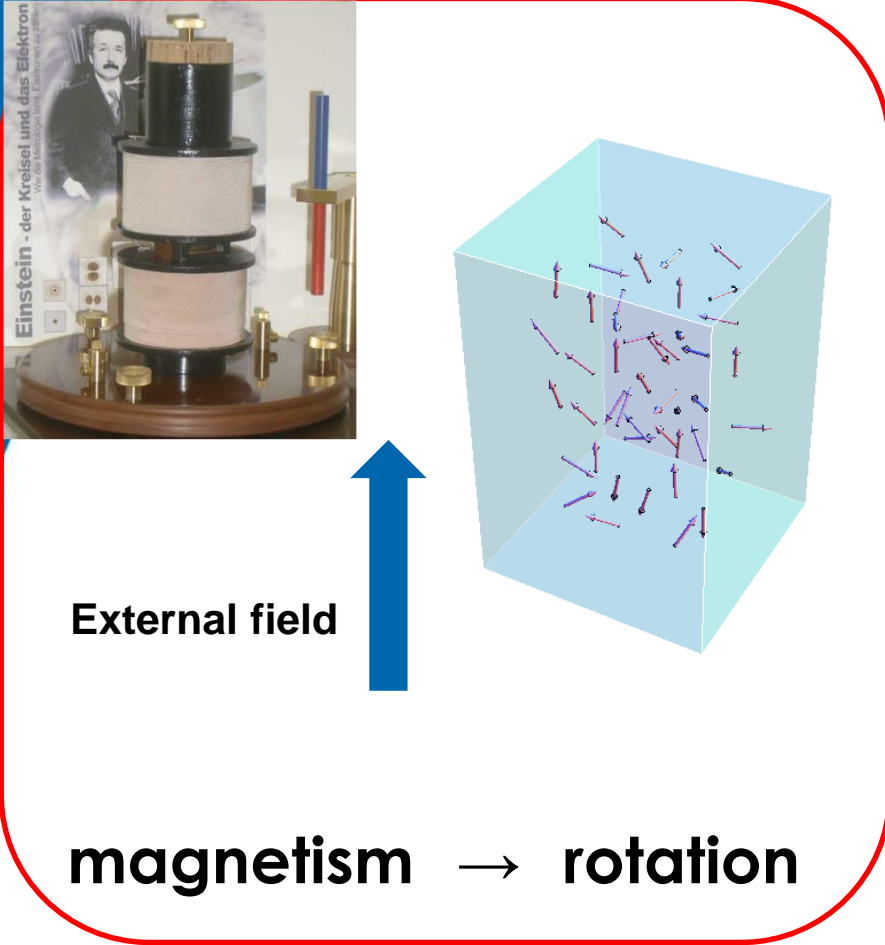
***due to spin-rotaton coupling.***



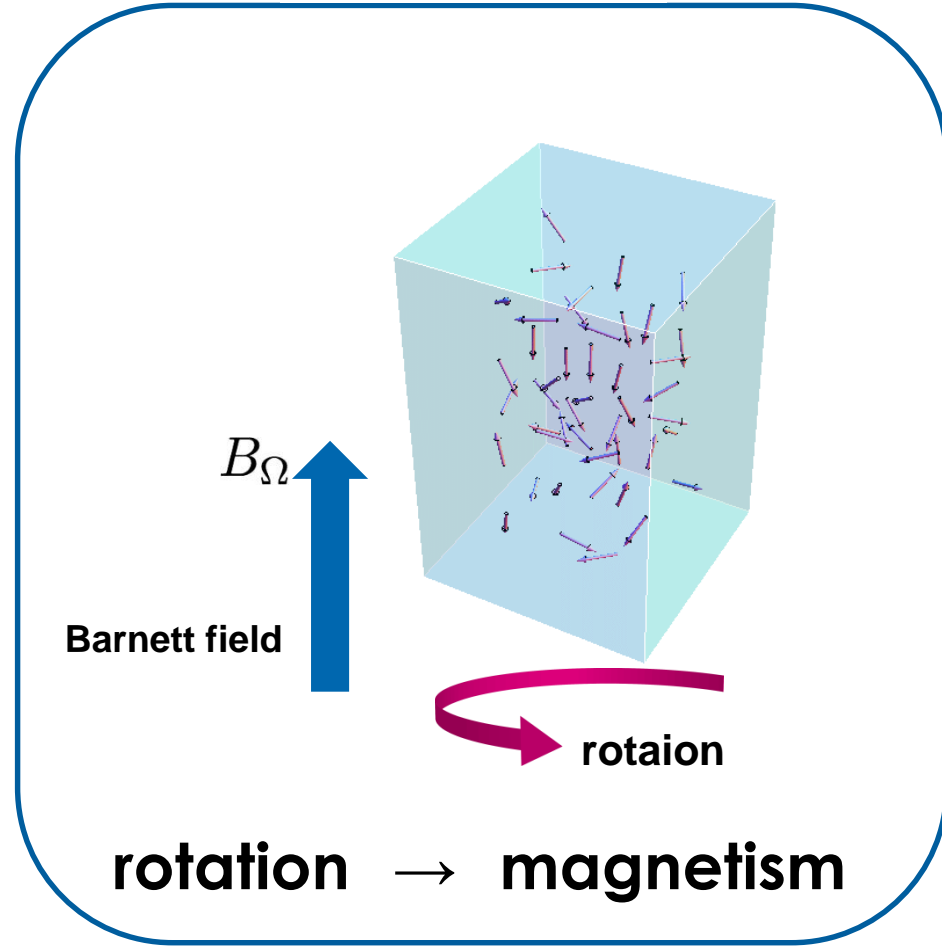
# Fundamental phenomena (1915)

$$\mathcal{H} = -S \cdot \Omega$$

## Einstein-de Haas effect



## Barnett effect



# Derivation of spin-rotation coupling

## Dirac equation

$$\left[ \gamma^\mu (p_\mu - \mathbf{i}\hbar\Gamma_\mu) - mc \right] \psi = 0$$

$\gamma^\mu$ : gamma matrix     $m$ : mass  
 $q$ : charge     $c$ : velocity of light

## Spin connection

$$\Gamma_\mu = -\frac{1}{4} \bar{\gamma}_\alpha \bar{\gamma}_\beta e_\nu^{(\alpha)} g^{\nu\lambda} \left[ \partial_\mu e_\lambda^{(\beta)} - \frac{1}{2} g^{\sigma\eta} (\partial_\nu g_{\eta\mu} + \partial_\mu g_{\eta\nu} - \partial_\eta g_{\mu\nu}) e_\sigma^{(\beta)} \right]$$

$e_\mu^{(\alpha)}$ : vierbine     $g^{\mu\nu}$ : metric

low energy limit

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{H} = \frac{p^2}{2m} - (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} - \frac{\hbar}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

## Non-relativistic limit

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \frac{p^2}{2m} \quad \leftarrow \quad U = \exp(\mathbf{i}\mathbf{J} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}t/\hbar)$$

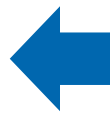
$\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{S}$  total angular momentum

$$\mathcal{H} = U\mathcal{H}_0U^\dagger - \mathbf{i}\hbar U \frac{\partial U^\dagger}{\partial t} = \frac{p^2}{2m} - (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} - \mathbf{S} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

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***We need to observe the Barnett field in the rotating frame!!***



# *Foucault Pendulum*

$$\text{Period (day)} = 1 \text{ day} / \sin \varphi$$

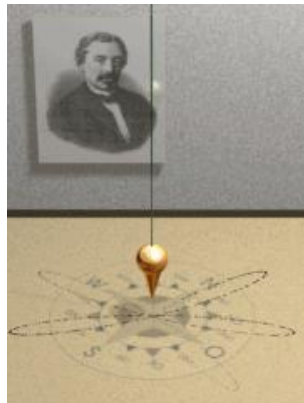
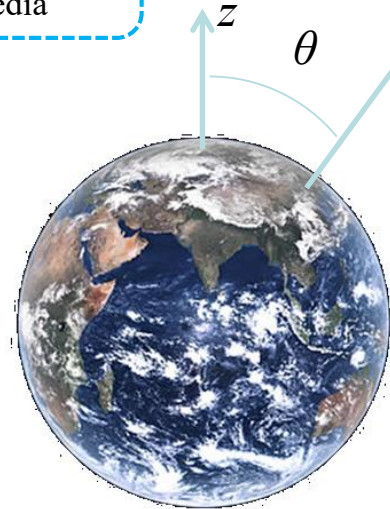
( $\varphi$ : latitude)  
cf. wikipedia

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$$\text{Rotation freq. (Earth)} \Omega = 1 \text{ round/day,}$$
$$\varphi = 90^\circ - \theta, \quad \sin(\pi/2 - \theta) = \cos \theta$$

↓

$$\text{Rotation freq.} = \Omega \cos \theta$$



$$\mathcal{H} = -L \cdot \Omega$$

Foucault pendulum in the Southern Hemisphere  
(Reverse in the Northern Hemisphere)

*Rotation couples to  
angular momentum:*

$$\mathcal{H} = -\mathbf{L} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

$\boldsymbol{\Omega}$ : angular velocity of rotation

$\mathbf{L}$ : angular momentum

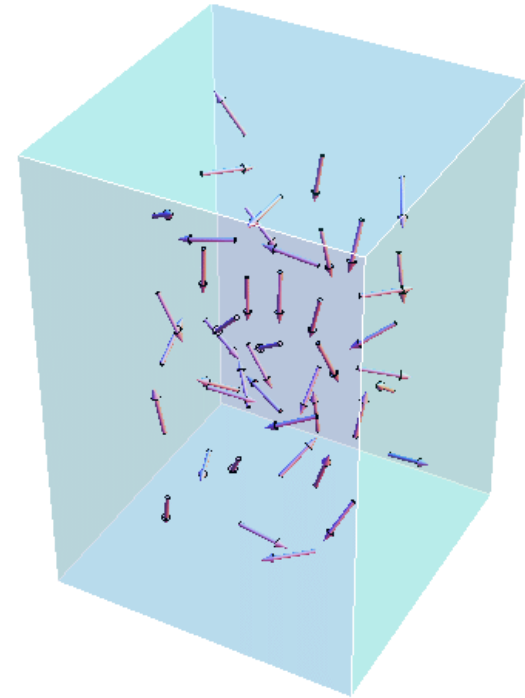
*Magnetic field couples to  
magnetic moment:*

$$\mathcal{H} = -\mathbf{S} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} \equiv -\boldsymbol{\mu} \cdot \mathbf{B}_\Omega$$

$\boldsymbol{\mu}$ : magnetic moment

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \gamma \mathbf{S}, \quad \mathbf{B}_\Omega = \frac{\boldsymbol{\Omega}}{\gamma}$$

$\gamma$ : gyromagnetic ratio



electron



$\sigma$

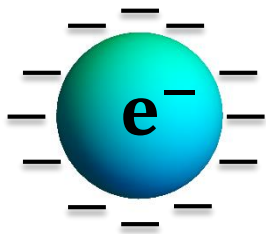
spin

$e^-$

charge

### Electron charge

~ 「ball of charge」



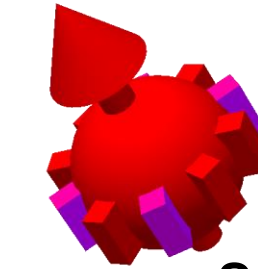
Negative charge

⇒ electricity

### Spin: angular momentum

~ 「rotor」

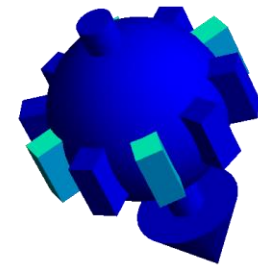
N



S

Right rotation

S



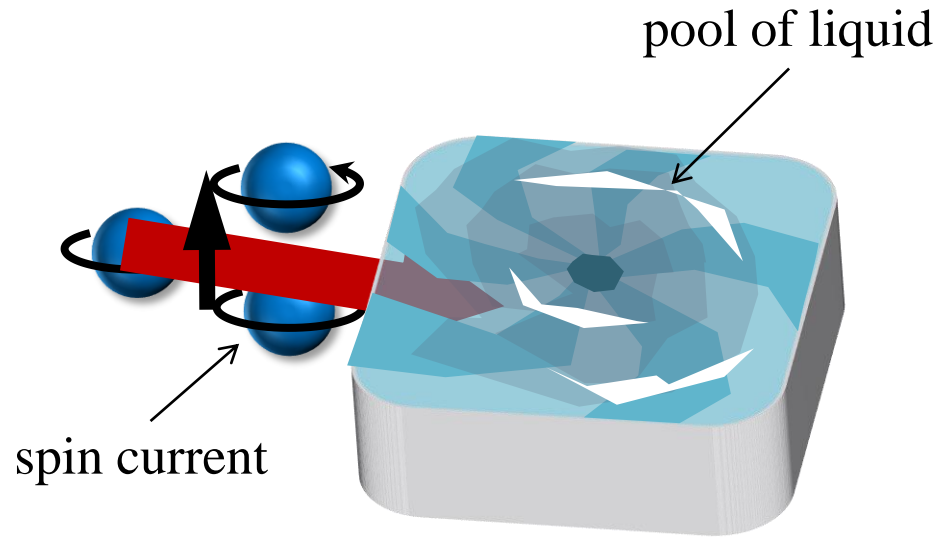
N

Left rotation

⇒ magnetism, rotational motion

**Electron = microscopic rotor**

# spin current injection into liquid

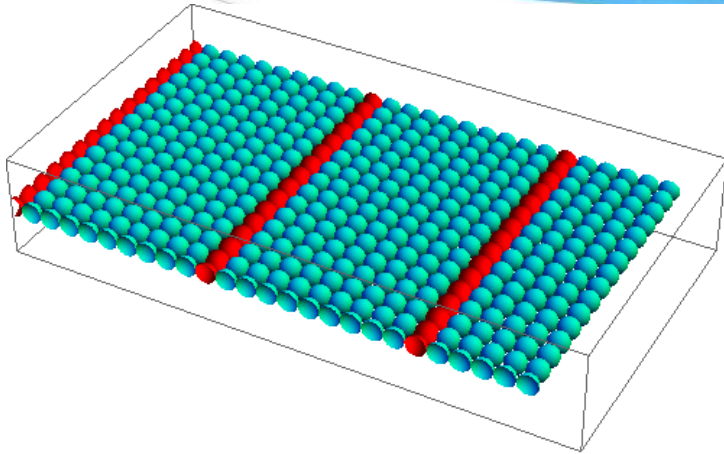


electron spin is a kind of rotation

→ Spins create a whirl!!

# spin current generation from fluid motion

Rotation motion can be created by a flow of liquid metals such as Hg.



empirical velocity distribution in a pipe



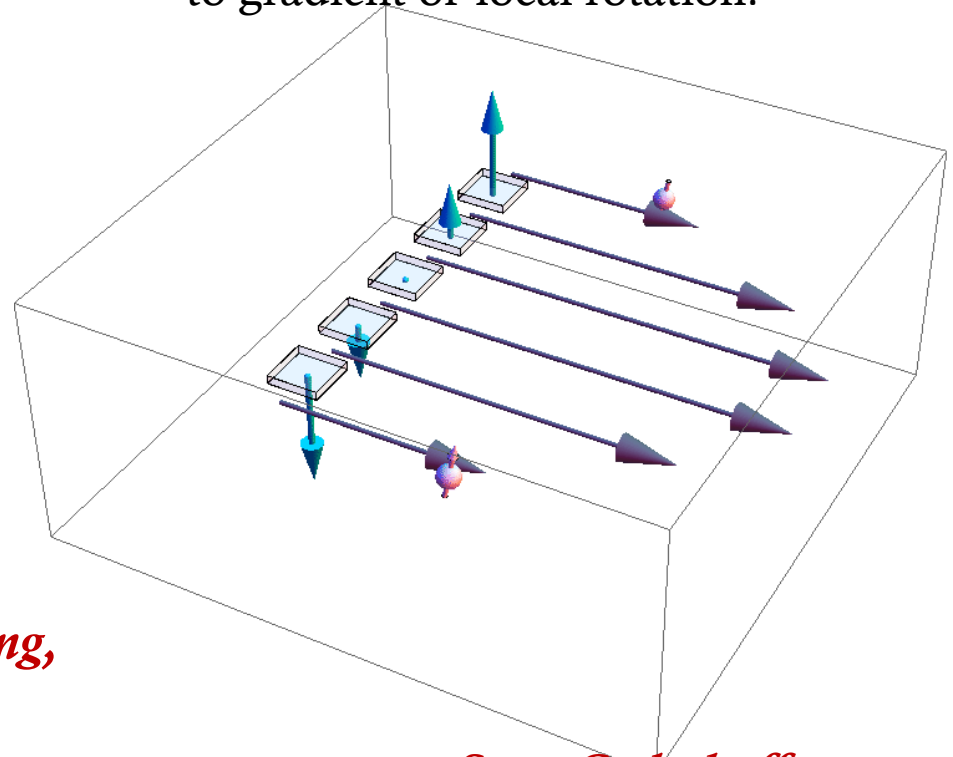
there are local rotational motions  
(vorticity)

$H = S \cdot \Omega$ : *spin-rotation coupling,*

$v(r)$ : *velocity of liquid metal,*

$\Omega = \nabla \times v$  (*vorticity*)

Spin current is induced parallel  
to gradient of local rotation.

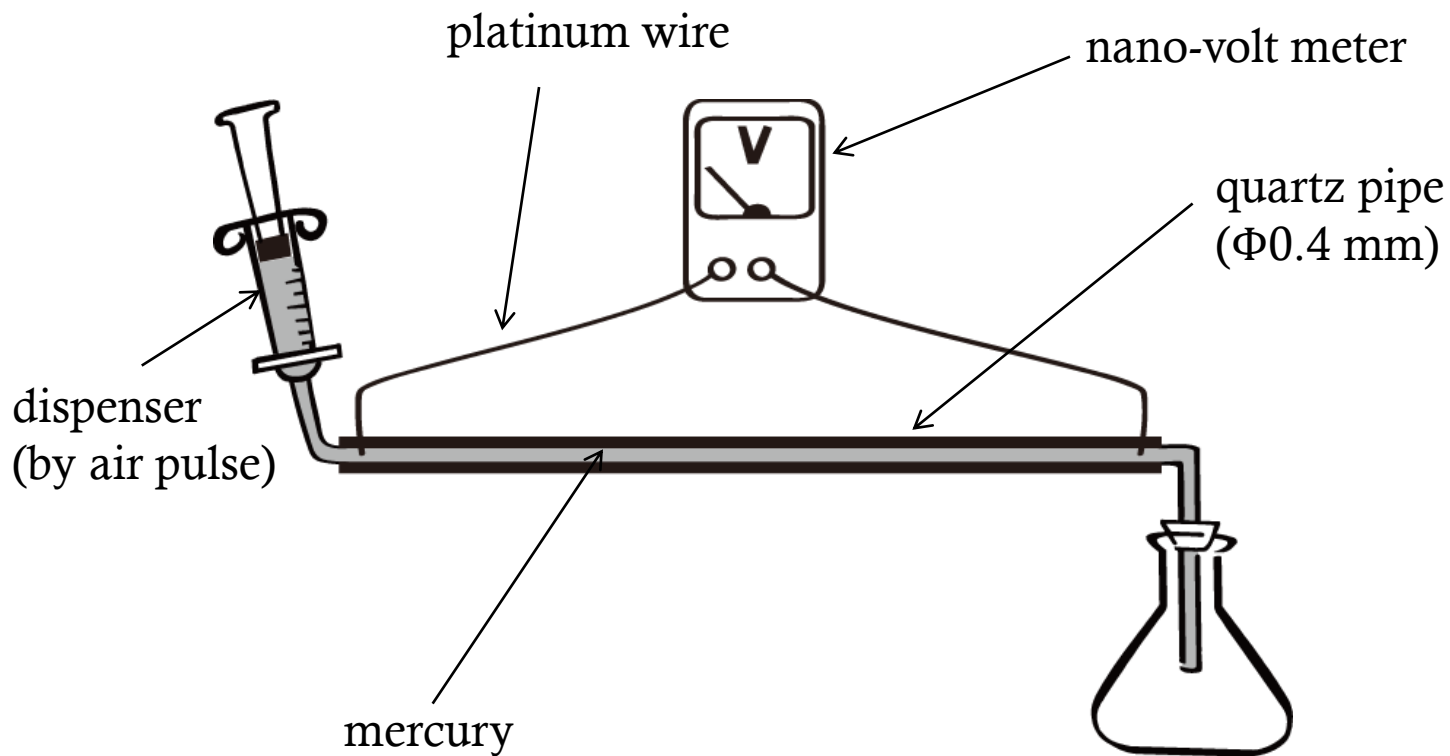


*Stern-Gerlach effects:*

$$F_s = \nabla \cdot B$$

$$= \nabla \cdot \Omega$$

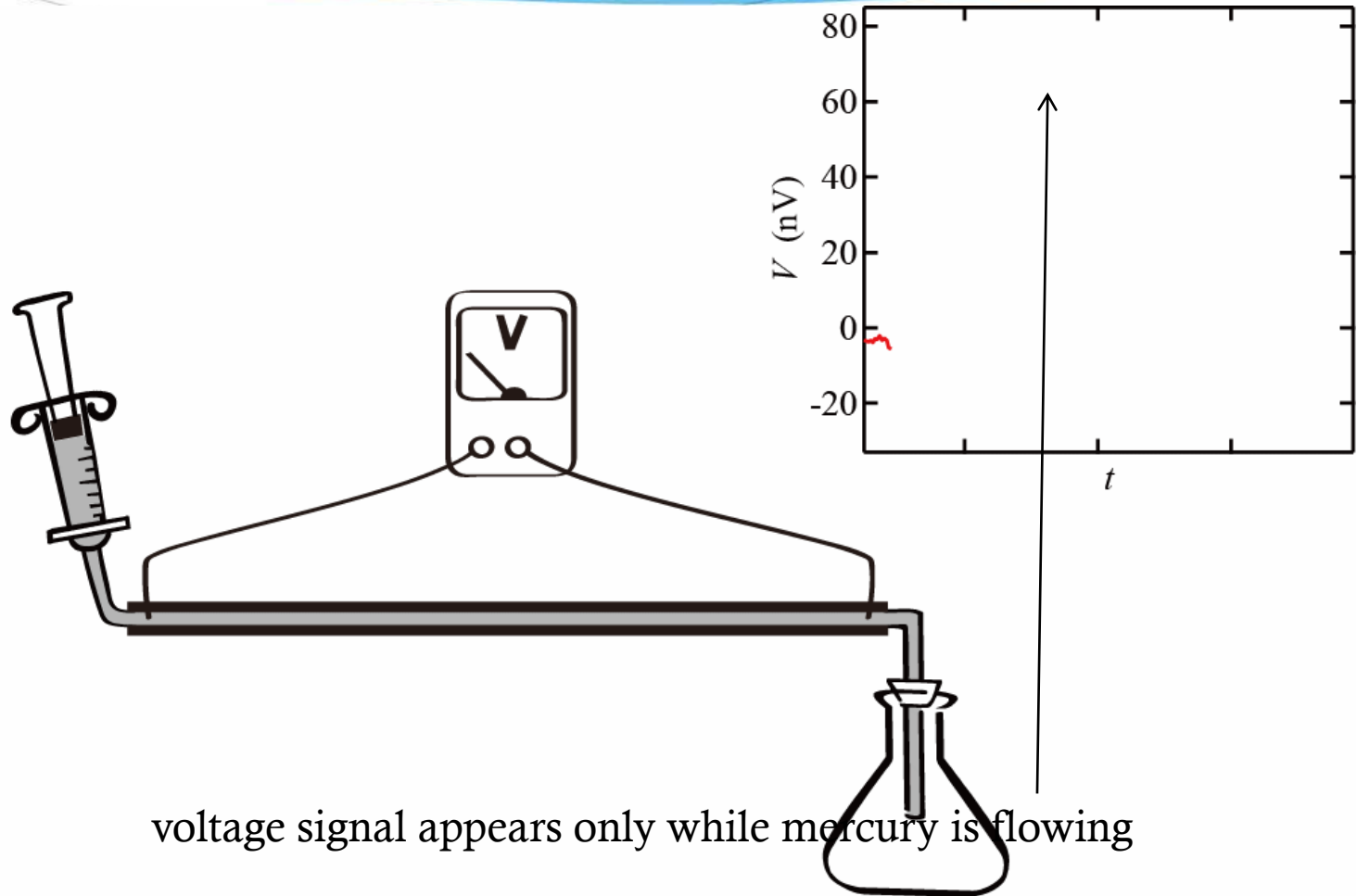
# Experimental setup



*R. Takahashi et al., Nature Phys., 12, 52 (2016).*

# overview

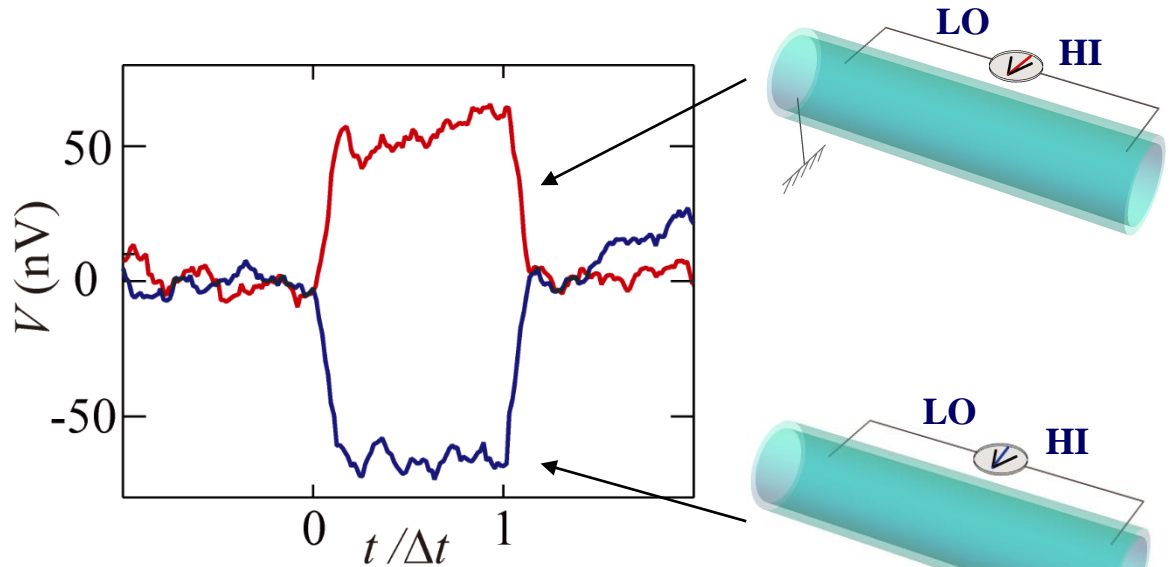
## measurement result



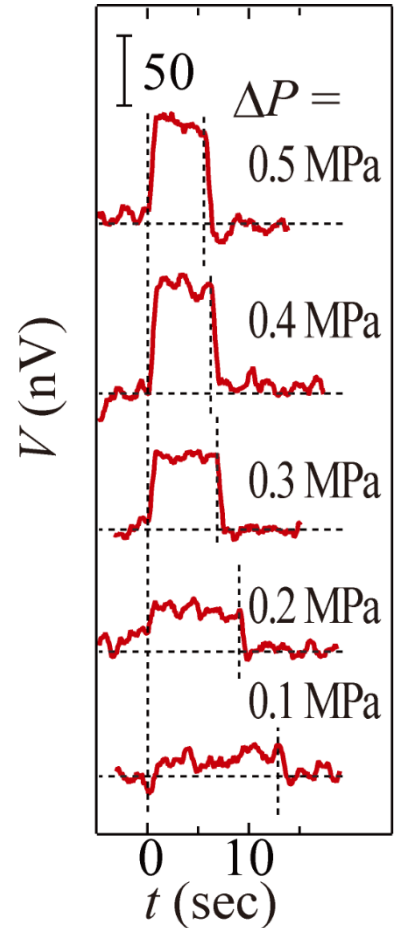
voltage signal appears only while mercury is flowing



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# Result 1 -SHD Signal Measurement



$\Delta t$  5.9 sec, 2.7 m/s  
 Internal Diameter  $\phi$  0.4 mm  
 Length  $L$  80 mm

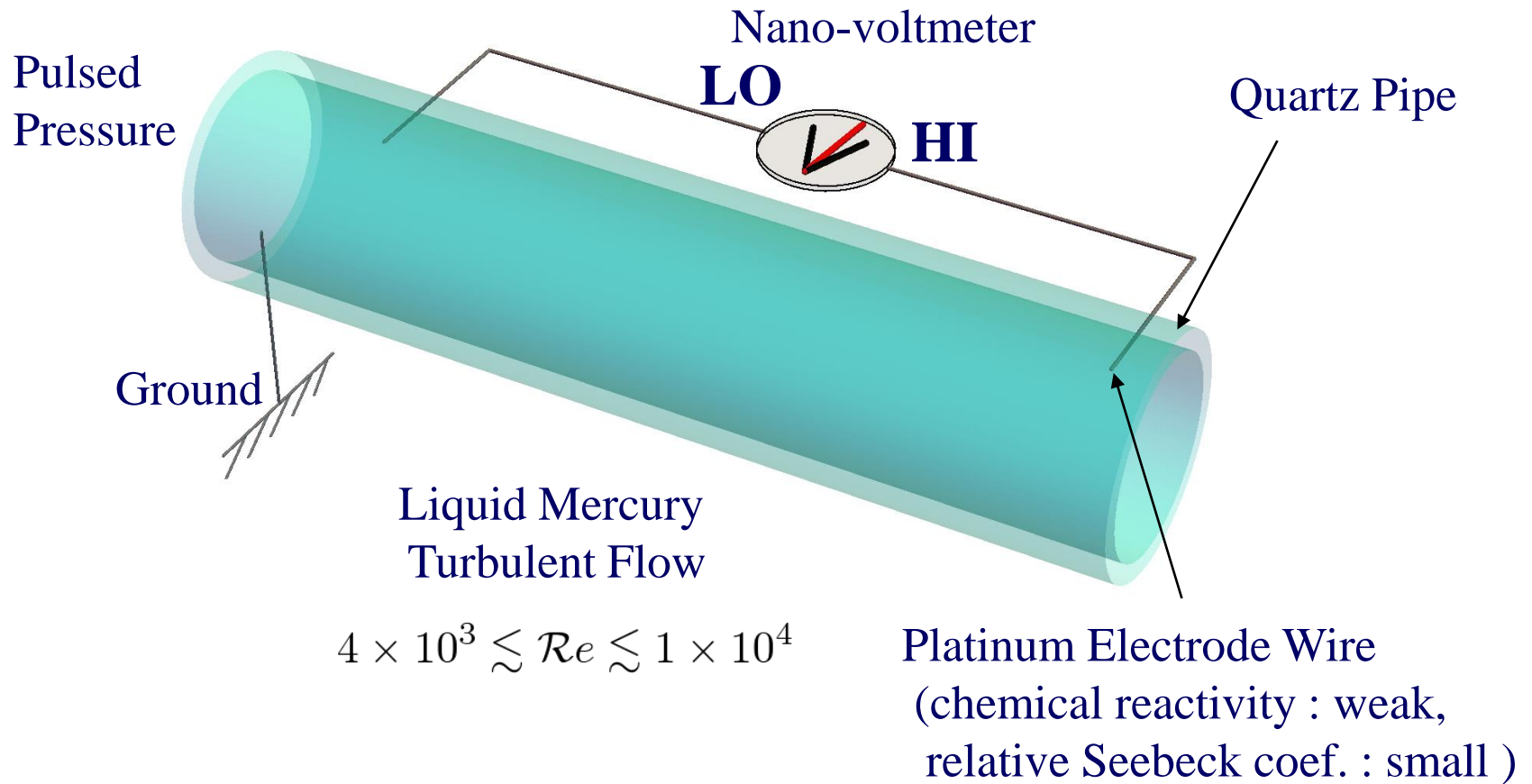


-  Signal is reversed by reversing the flow direction
-  Signal increases with increasing pulsed pressure  $\Delta P$

***Spin current***  $\longrightarrow$  ***Mechanical motion!!***  
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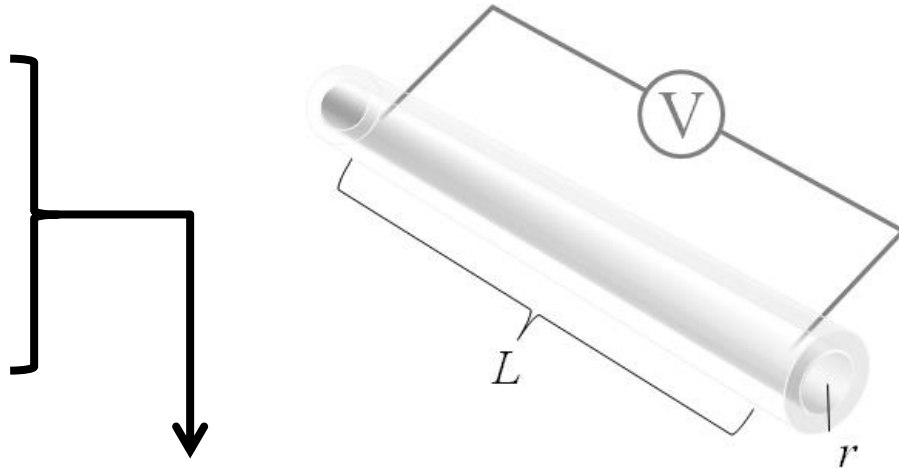


# Experimental setup for Spin hydrodynamic generation

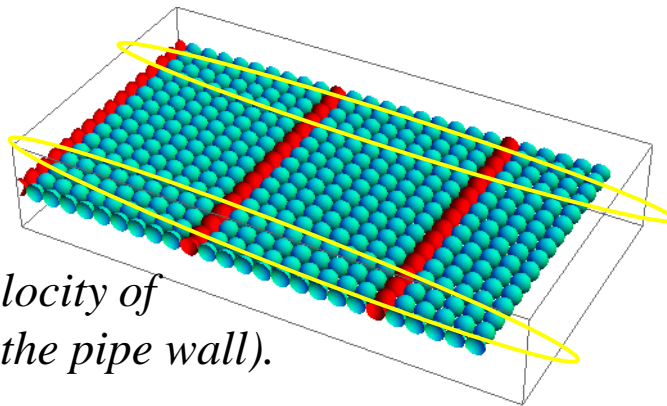


# Electric voltage due to spin current

- ✓ Fluid dynamics
- ✓ Spin dynamics
- ✓ Spin Hall effect



$$V_{\text{ISHE}} \sim \left( \frac{4e}{\kappa \hbar} \frac{\theta_{\text{SHE}} \lambda_{\text{sf}}^2 \zeta}{R_{\delta} \nu \sigma} \right) \left( \frac{L}{r} v_*^2 - R_{\delta} \nu \frac{L}{r^2} v_* \right)$$



- $\kappa$ : Karman constant
- $\nu$ : dynamic viscosity
- $\theta_{\text{SHE}}$ : spin Hall angle
- $\sigma$ : conductivity
- $\lambda_{\text{sf}}$ : spin diffusion length
- $R_{\delta}$ : sublayer Reynolds number
- $\zeta$ : modification of  $\nu$

$v_*$  is the so-called friction-velocity of turbulent flow (velocity near the pipe wall).

**spin current is mainly generated in the vicinity of the pipe wall.**

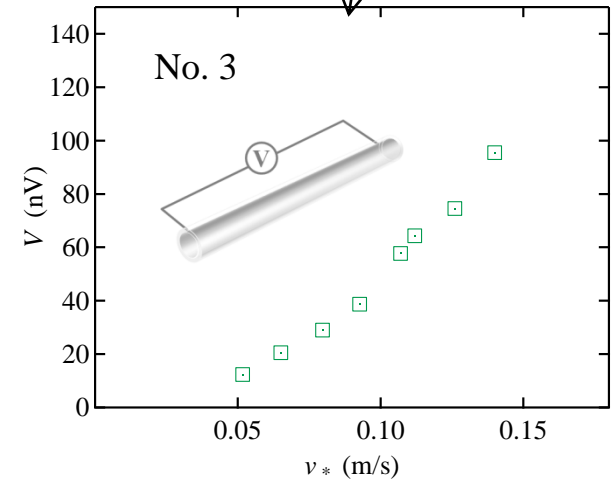
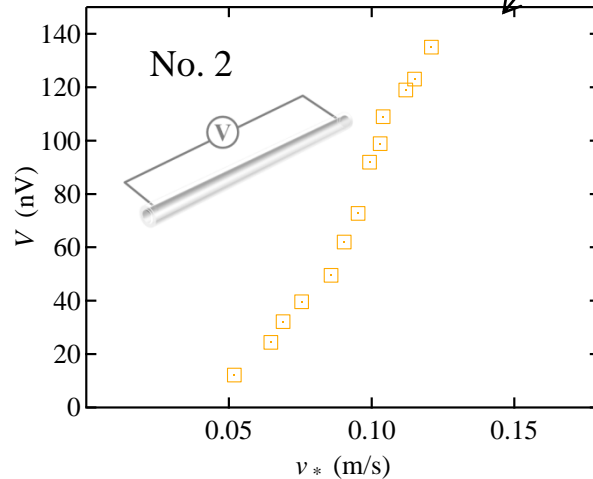
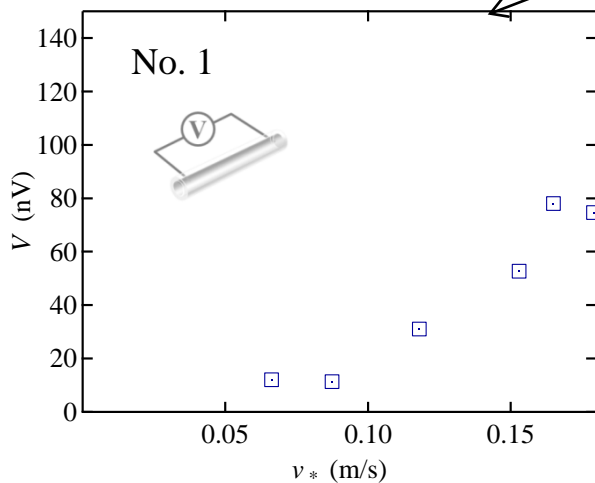
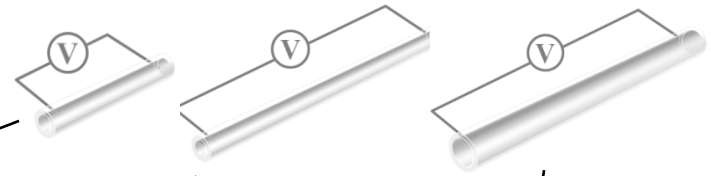
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scale independent relation

No.	1	2	3
$r$	0.2 mm	0.2 mm	0.5 mm
$L$	82 mm	400 mm	400 mm



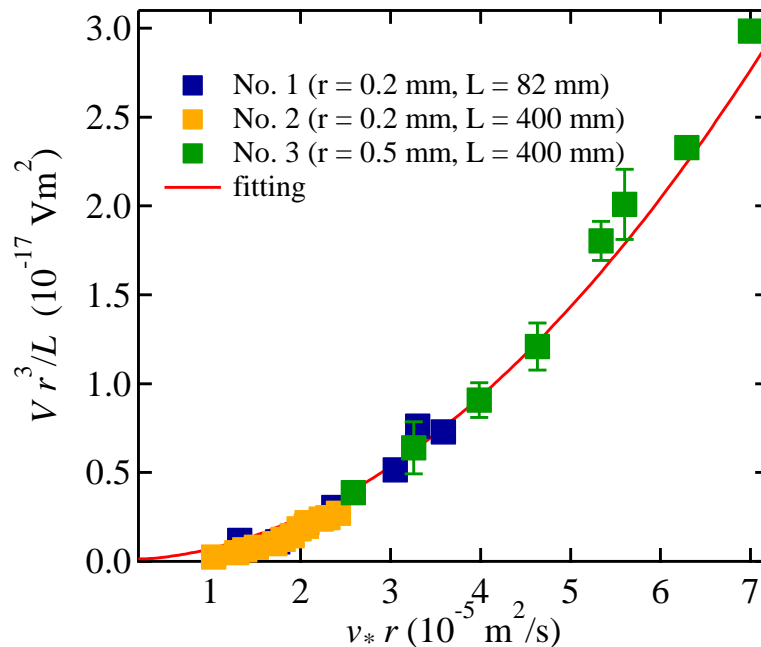
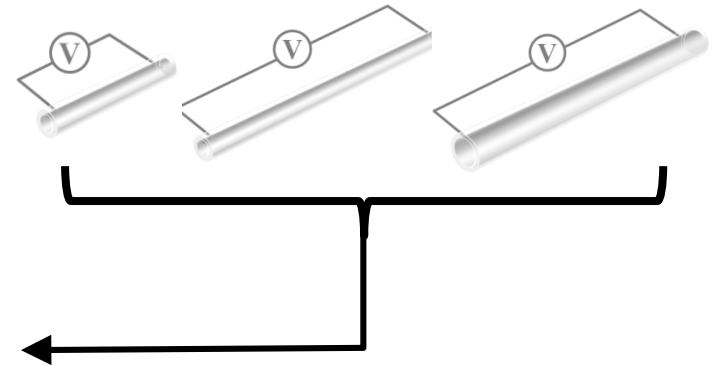
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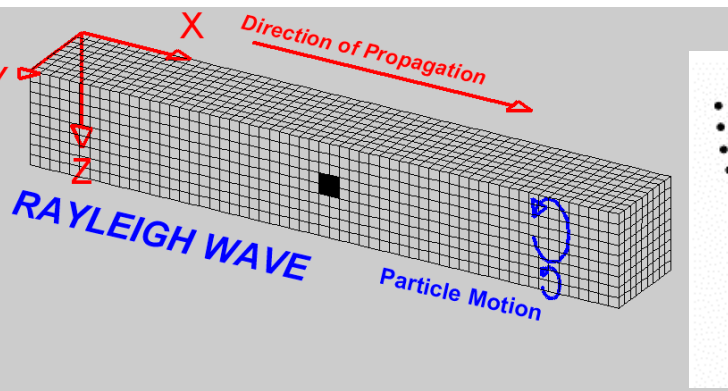
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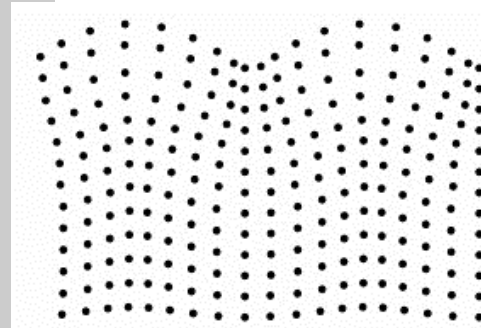
All results can be fitted  
by the same parameter set

$$V \propto v^2$$

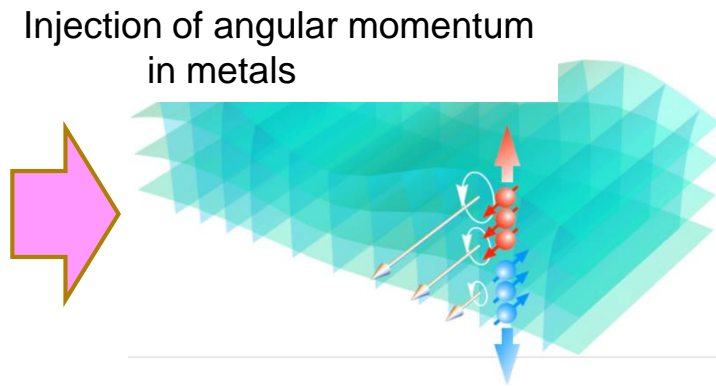
# Angular momentum in phonons ~ surface phonons ~



Rayleigh wave



Lattice motion



Spin current

## Characteristics:

- Elliptical motion of lattice
- Lattice rotation ( $\sim$ GHz) near surface ( $\sim\mu\text{m}$ )
  - Long distance ( $\sim$ mm)
- Rayleigh wave in metal thin films

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# Whirlpool

