

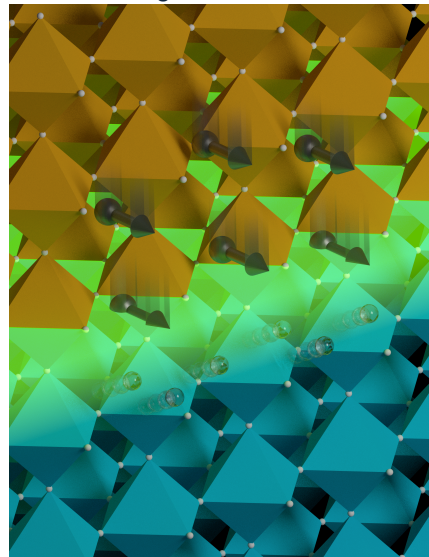
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“SrTiO₃-based 2-dimensional electron gases for ultralow power spintronics”

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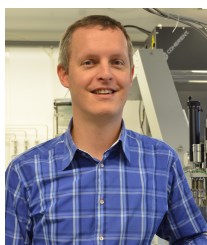
One promising approach for beyond CMOS is the so-called MESO transistor proposed by Intel (for MagnetoElectric-Spin-Orbit), a spin-based non-volatile device in which magnetic information is written by a magnetoelectric element and read out by a spin-orbit element through the inverse spin Hall effect (ISHE) or the inverse Edelstein effect (IEE). The IEE occurs in systems with broken inversion symmetry such as two-dimensional electron gases (2DEG) displaying Rashba spin-orbit coupling and results in more efficient conversion than the ISHE.



In this talk, I will show that the 2DEG that forms at the interface of SrTiO₃ (STO) with LaAlO₃ or reactive metals such as Al may be exploited to interconvert spin and charge currents with very high efficiencies. By applying a gate voltage, we tune the position of the Fermi level in the complex multi-orbital structure of STO, which results in a strong variation of the conversion amplitude with sign changes. This can be related to the band structure through ARPES experiment and tight-binding calculations. Importantly, a finite spin to charge conversion effect persists at room temperature. In a second part, I will present gate-controlled, all-electrical spin current generation and detection in planar nanodevices free from ferromagnets and only based on a STO 2DEG.

Finally, I will propose a new approach to achieve a non-volatile control of spin-charge interconversion with Rashba 2DEGs based on ferroelectricity rather than ferromagnetism, that may pave the way to an entirely new family of ultralow power spintronics devices.

Figure caption : Conversion of a spin current injected in the 2DEG at the LaAlO₃/SrTiO₃ interface into a charge current.



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