

拓扑绝缘体与拓扑半金属

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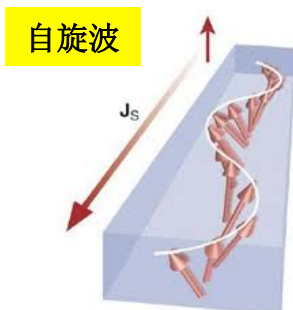
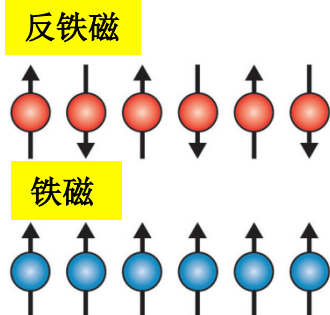
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1. 简介：拓扑有序态

有序态是凝聚态物理研究的基本内涵之一
例如：磁有序态、电荷有序态、超导态等

局域有序态：
对称性破缺导致有序态
(朗道对称性破缺理论)

1. 物态可以用局域序参量描写
如：铁磁态的磁化强度 $M(r)$
2. 相变伴随着对称性破缺
如： $M(r)$ 的出现破坏了
旋转对称性



宏观有序态：
拓扑有序态
(量子物理与几何的完美结合)

1. 具有拓扑性质的“量子态”
2. 不能用局域序参量描写，而要用全局拓扑不变量描写
3. 相变过程并不伴随对称性破缺



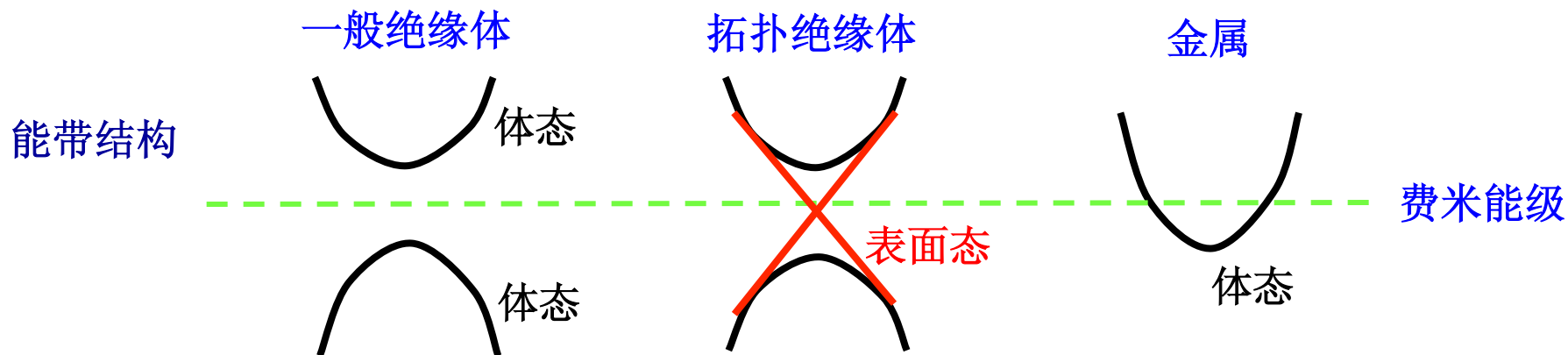
拓扑“0”



拓扑“1”

1. 简介：拓扑绝缘体简介

拓扑绝缘体：一种全新的拓扑有序态：**受时间反演性保护**
要考虑 **相对论+量子力学**



理论模型：

1. C. L. Kane, PRL (2005)
2. S. C. Zhang, PRL (2006)

材料实现：

1. 二维材料： L. Molenkamp, Science (2007)
2. 三维材料： 方忠 等, Nature Phys. (2009)
(Bi_2Te_3 , Bi_2Se_3 , Sb_2Te_3)

与一般表面态区别：

无论如何切样品，表面态总是存在

1. 简介: Why edge states?

“Band twist”



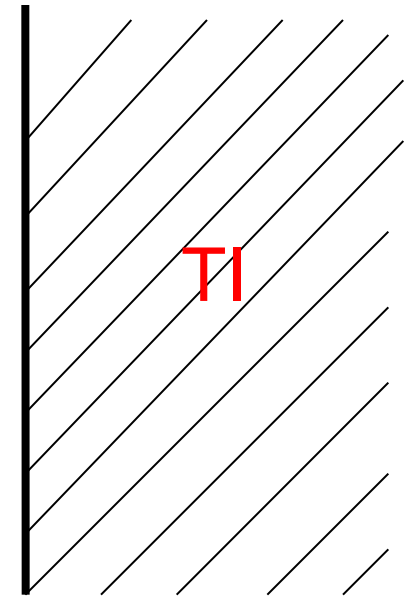
Defined by the Z_2 number
(or parity for inversion system)

Ref:

- [1] Kane & Mele, PRL (2005).
- [2] Fu, Kane, Mele, PRL (2007)
- [3] Fu, Kane, PRB (2007).

Boundary

Vacuum
Normal
insulator

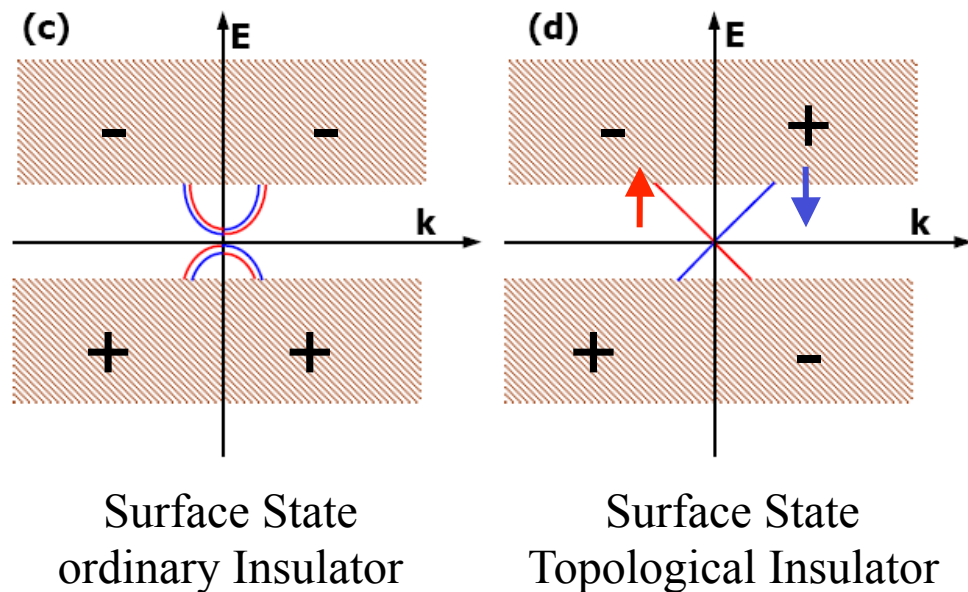


Cutting Band Ring

1. 简介: Different Surface states

Topological Insulators:

1. Insulating bulk
2. Conducting surface
3. Defined by the Z_2 quantum number
4. Surface state is protected by T reversal symmetry
5. Robust against none-M disorders

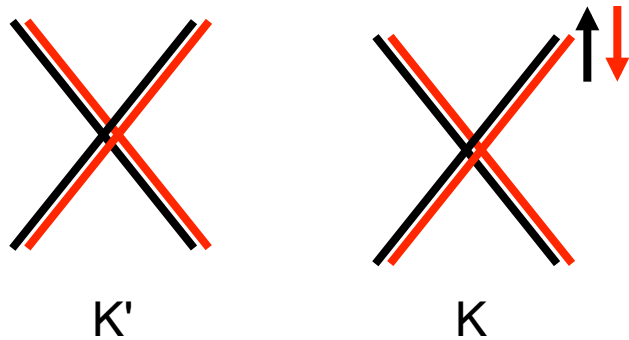


“能带 twist”

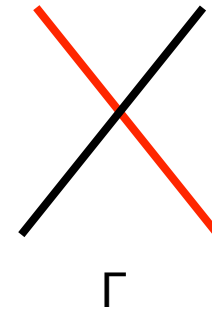


1. 简介: Surface state vs Graphene

Graphene



Surface state of TI



- (1) pseudo-spin
- (2) Klien Paradox
- (3) linear $n \sim E$,
linear $\sigma \sim E$,
linear $m \sim E$
- (4) Localization?
- (5) Universal σ ?
- (6)

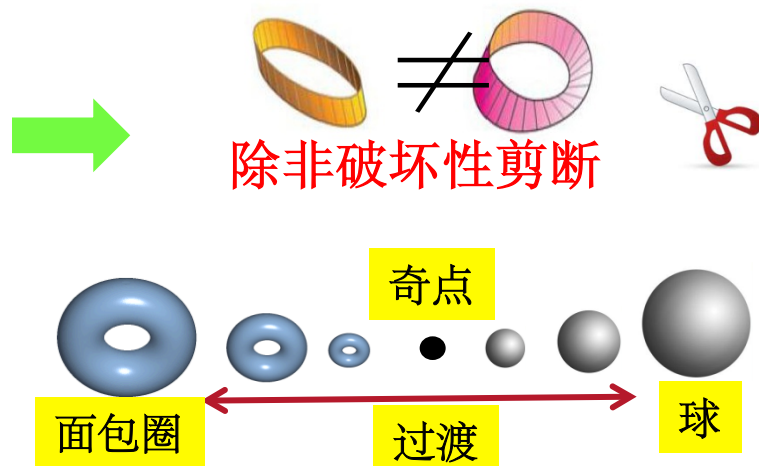
- (1) 1/4 of Graphene,
spin splitting,
T-invariant
- (2) 2DEG without mass
- (3) Klien Paradox
- (4) linear $n \sim E$,
linear $\sigma \sim E$,
linear $m \sim E$
- (5) QHE? Localization?
- (6) Multi-ferroic?

1. 简介：拓扑有序态 \Rightarrow 新奇量子现象

拓扑有序量子态的优点：

1. “0”与“1”严格区分，
无微扰过程，不怕干扰、噪声

2. 与“奇点”密切相关，
在边界上会有特殊量子态



信息高速公路：极低电阻、极低能耗

普通态



鱼目混杂，杂乱无章



遇到杂质，会被散射

拓扑有序态



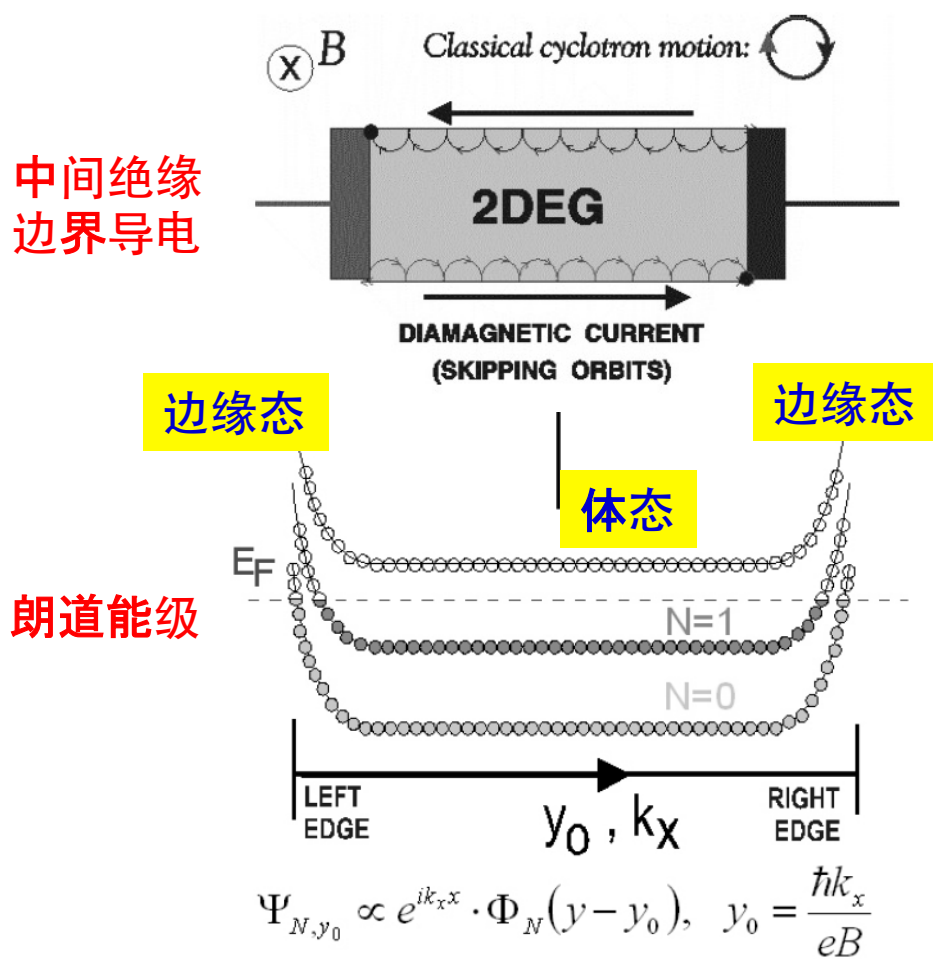
各行其道，永不混杂



遇到杂质，自动绕行

I. 简介：量子霍尔效应 (IQHE)

最早认识的拓扑有序态是----量子霍尔效应



1. Very Stable
2. No backscattering
(Edge state can not localize)

问题:

1. 需要强磁场、极低温
2. 破坏了时间反演对称性
3. 只存在于二维系统
4. 不是拓扑绝缘体
(需要借助于外磁场)

量子Hall效应

1. 简介：拓扑绝缘体简介

重要性：

(1) 基础科学发展：全新的物理概念、现象、效应

1. 新奇量子效应
2. 基本物理常数的确定

(2) 下一代电子技术：革新性的进步

1. 准零能耗电子器件：无电阻的“理想导线”
2. “电”与“磁”交叉调控，巨大响应
3. 能源器件：热电效应、非线性光学
4. 拓扑催化
5. 核燃料问题：高熔点、高热导

(3) 国际发展的趋势：是当前国际发展的前沿

1. 欧美已投入巨资
2. 日本正在启动

1. 简介: Family of TIs?

2D

3D

T-broken

T-invariant

T-invariant

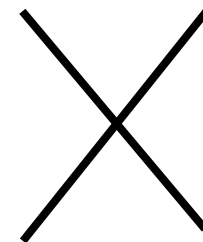
T-Broken

QHE
QAHE

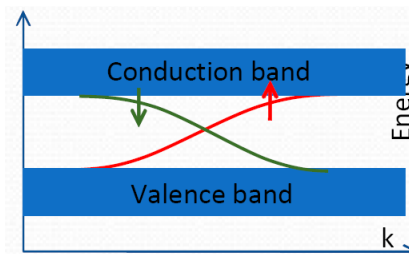
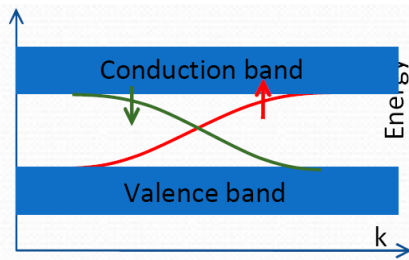
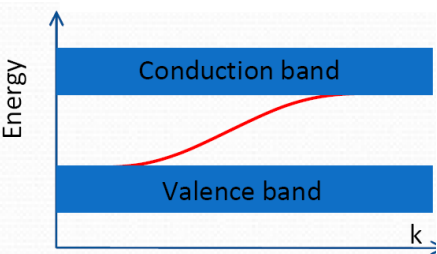
QSHE

Kondo
Anderson
Mott
Topological Band Insulator

Semi-metal



Fermi points
(in bulk)

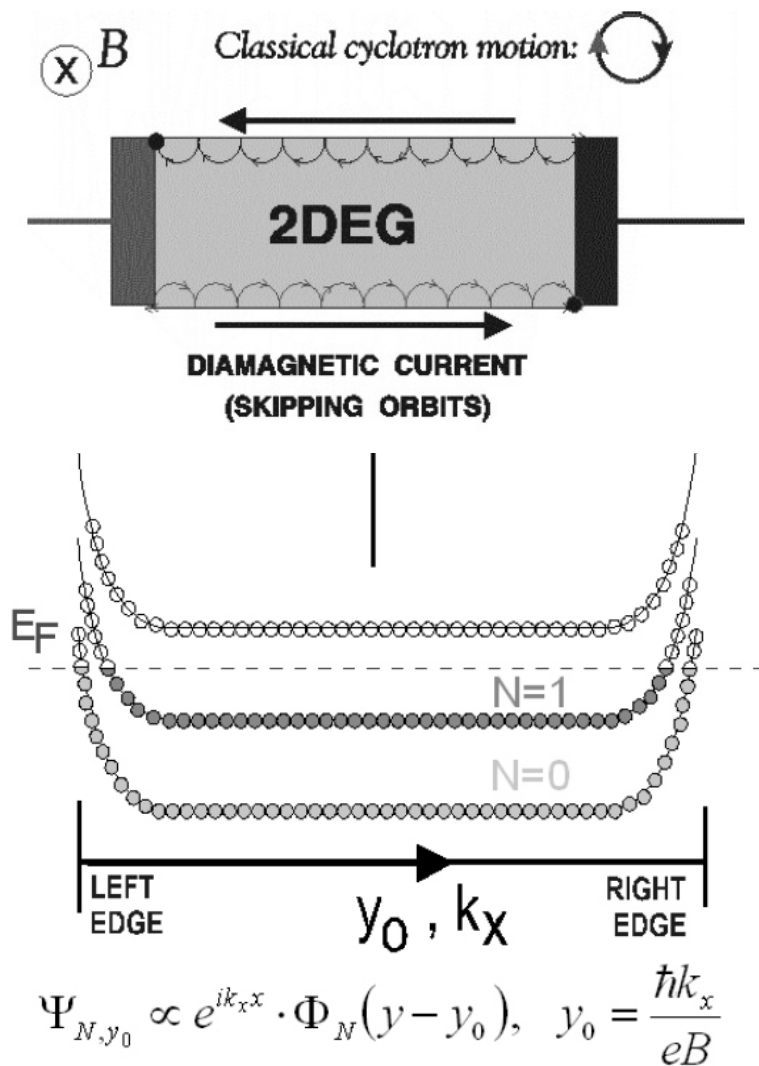


Edge States
TKNN
Chern number

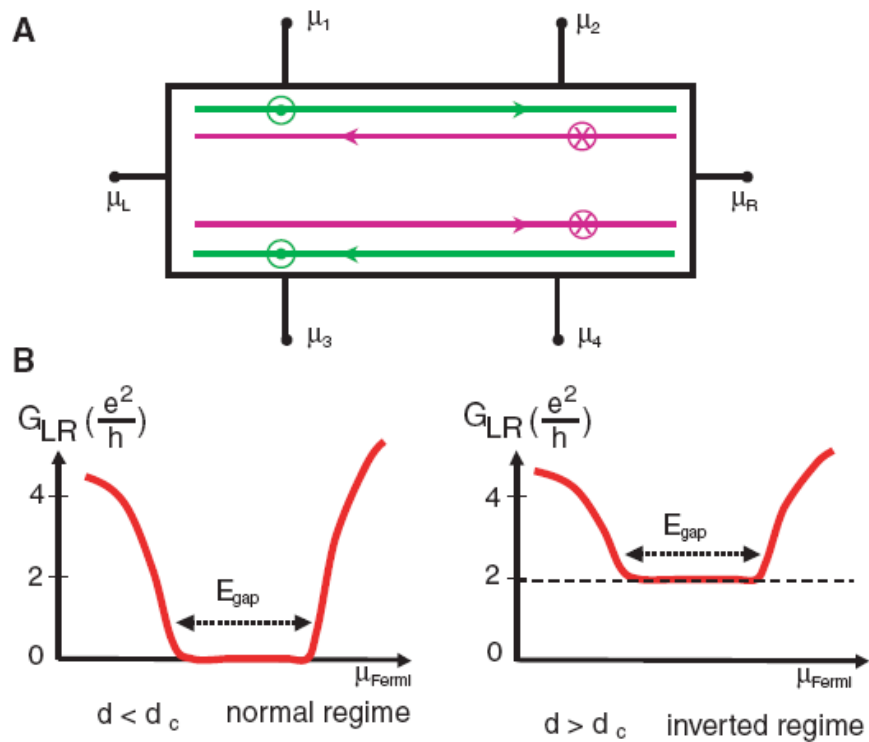
\mathbb{Z}_2

Surface States

2. 拓扑绝缘体: T-broken vs T-Invariant



QHE

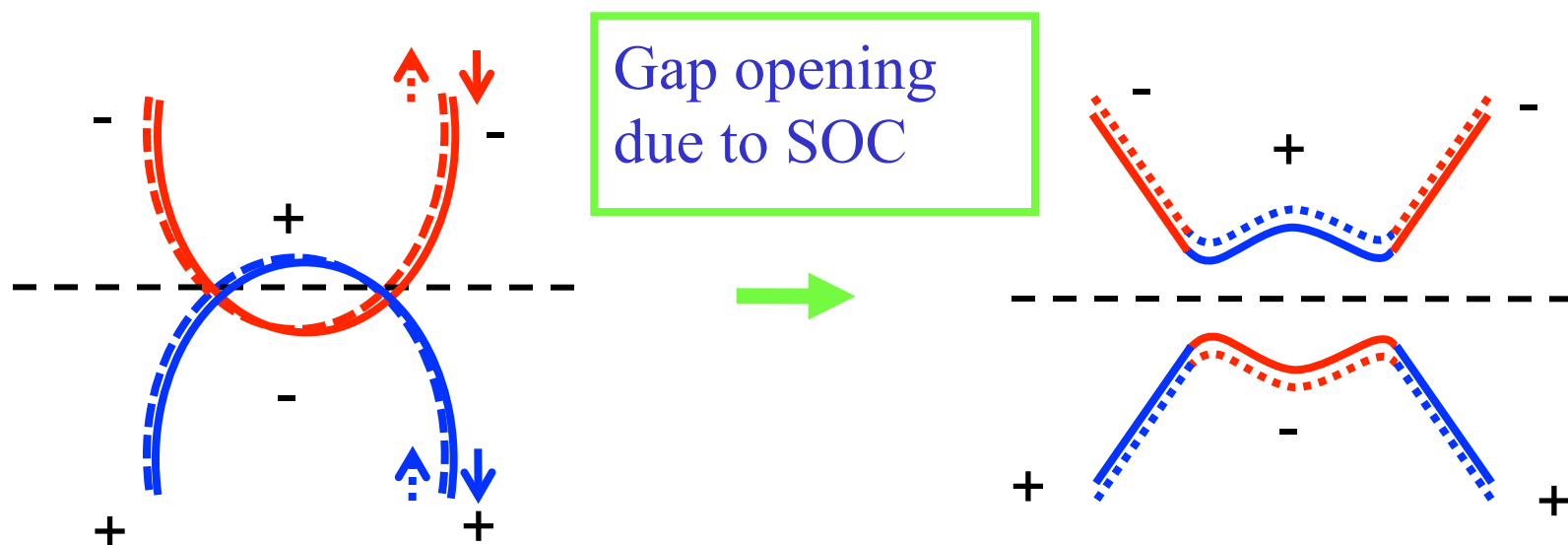


QSHE in HgTe/CdTe
(S. C. Zhang, SCIENCE 2006)

2. 拓扑绝缘体: Materials.

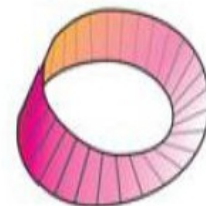
Guidelines:

1. Semiconductor with inverted band structure
2. Strong SOC



困难: Real materials for 3D TI?

“twisted band”



2. 拓扑绝缘体: Bi_2Te_3 , Bi_2Se_3 , Sb_2Te_3

Predictions for Bi_2Te_3 family: Basic Properties

1. Found 70 years ago.

Naturwissenschaften,
27, 133 (1939)

2. Semi-conductor.

Optical Gap ~ 0.2 eV

J. Phys. Chem. Solids, 2, 240 (1957)

3. One of the best
thermoelectric materials.

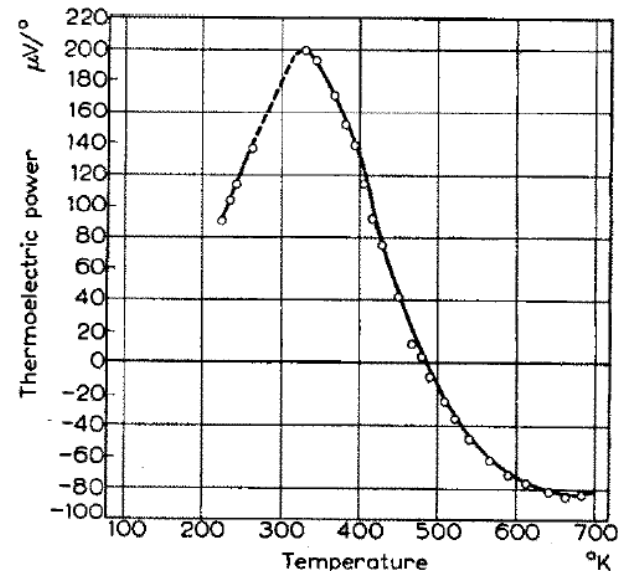
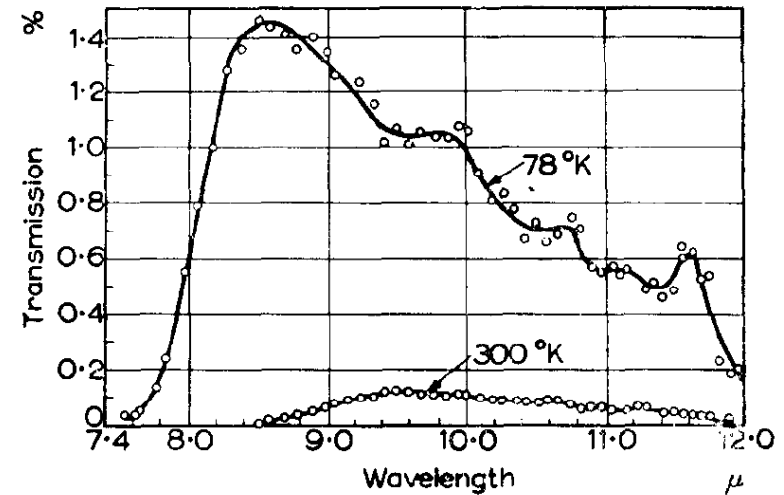
$ZT \sim 1$ at room T

4. Easy to be synthesized

5. Whole Family:

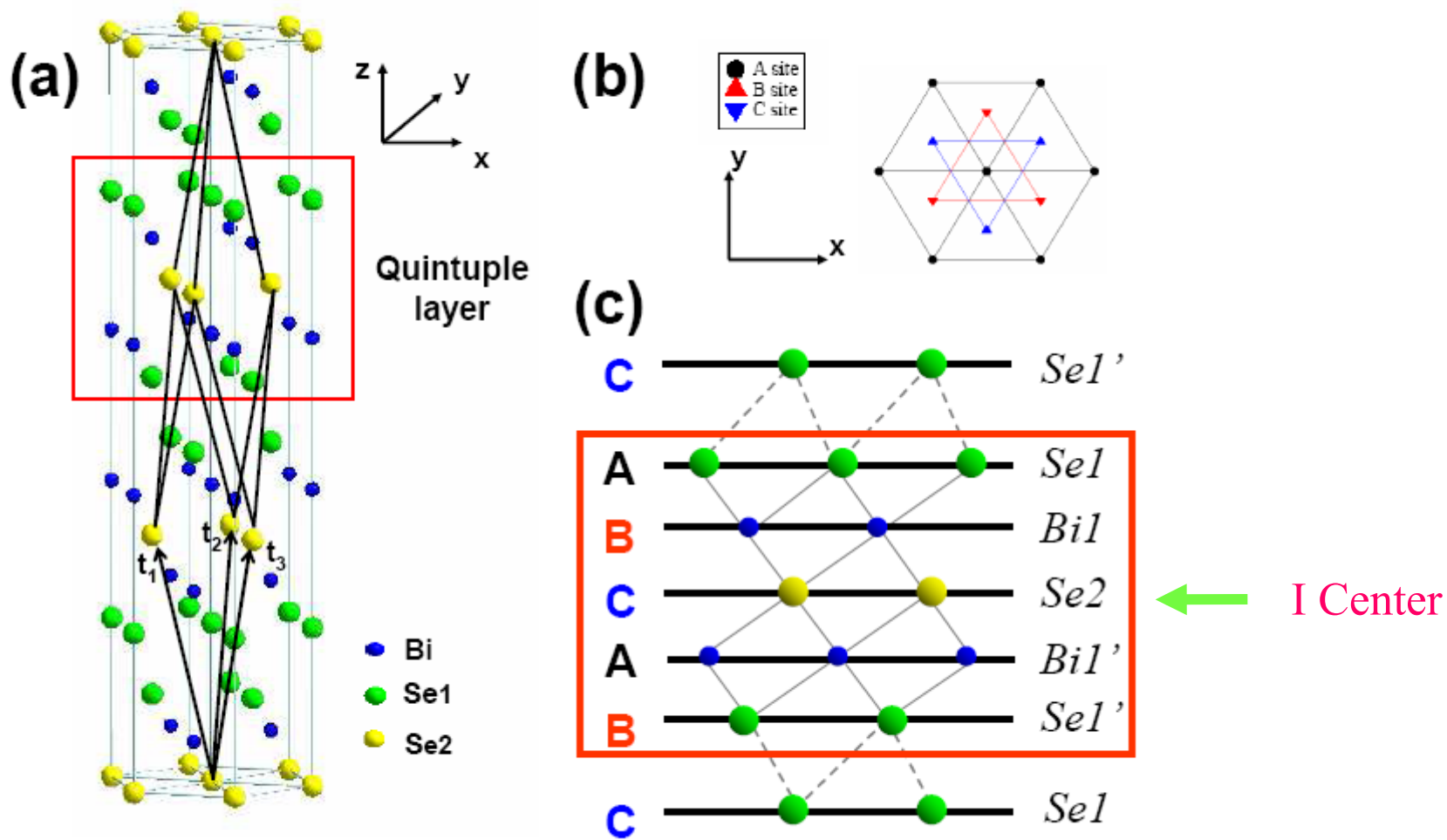
Bi_2Te_3 , Sb_2Te_3

Bi_2Se_3 , Sb_2Se_3

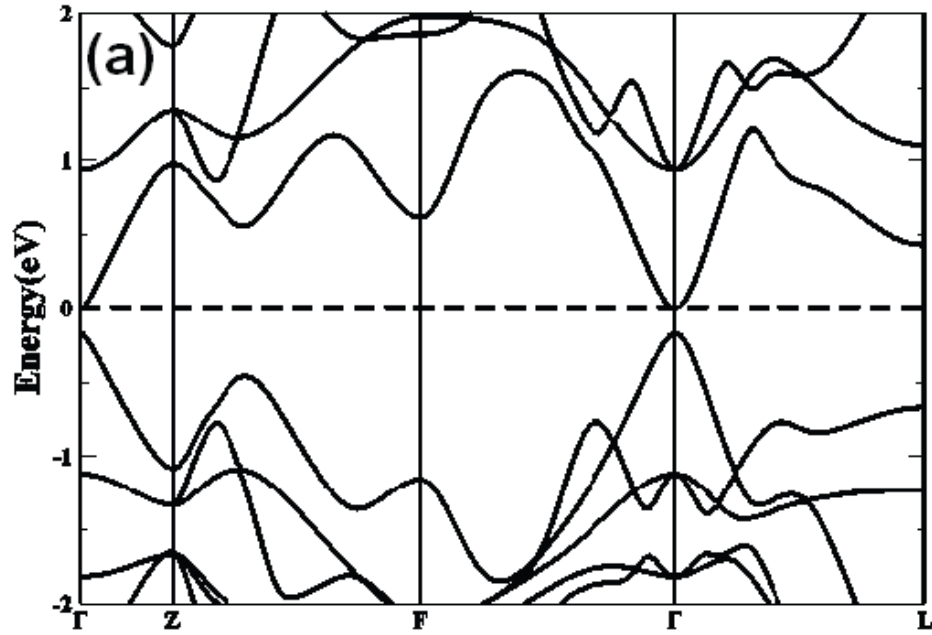


2. 拓扑绝缘体: Bi_2Te_3 , Bi_2Se_3 , Sb_2Te_3

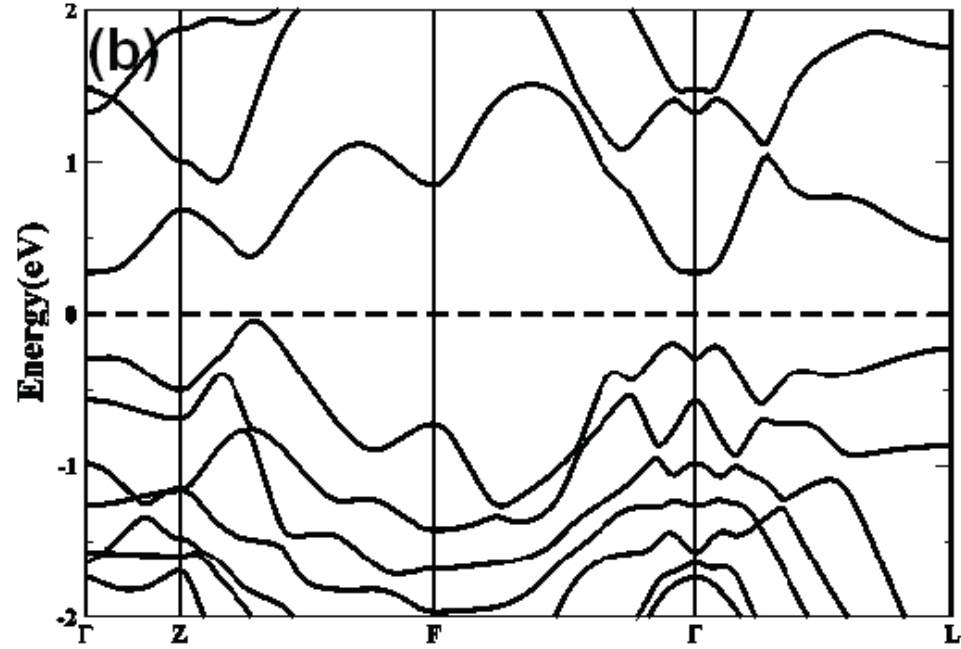
Crystal Structure $D_{3d}^5 (R\bar{3}m)$



Band Structure Bi₂Se₃

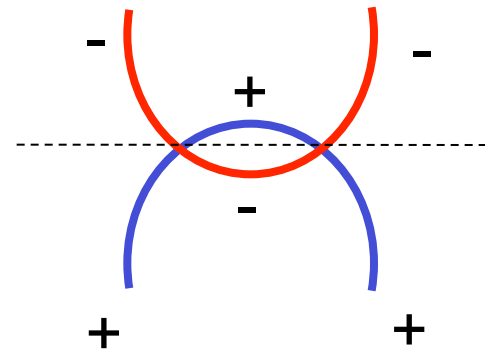


Without SOC

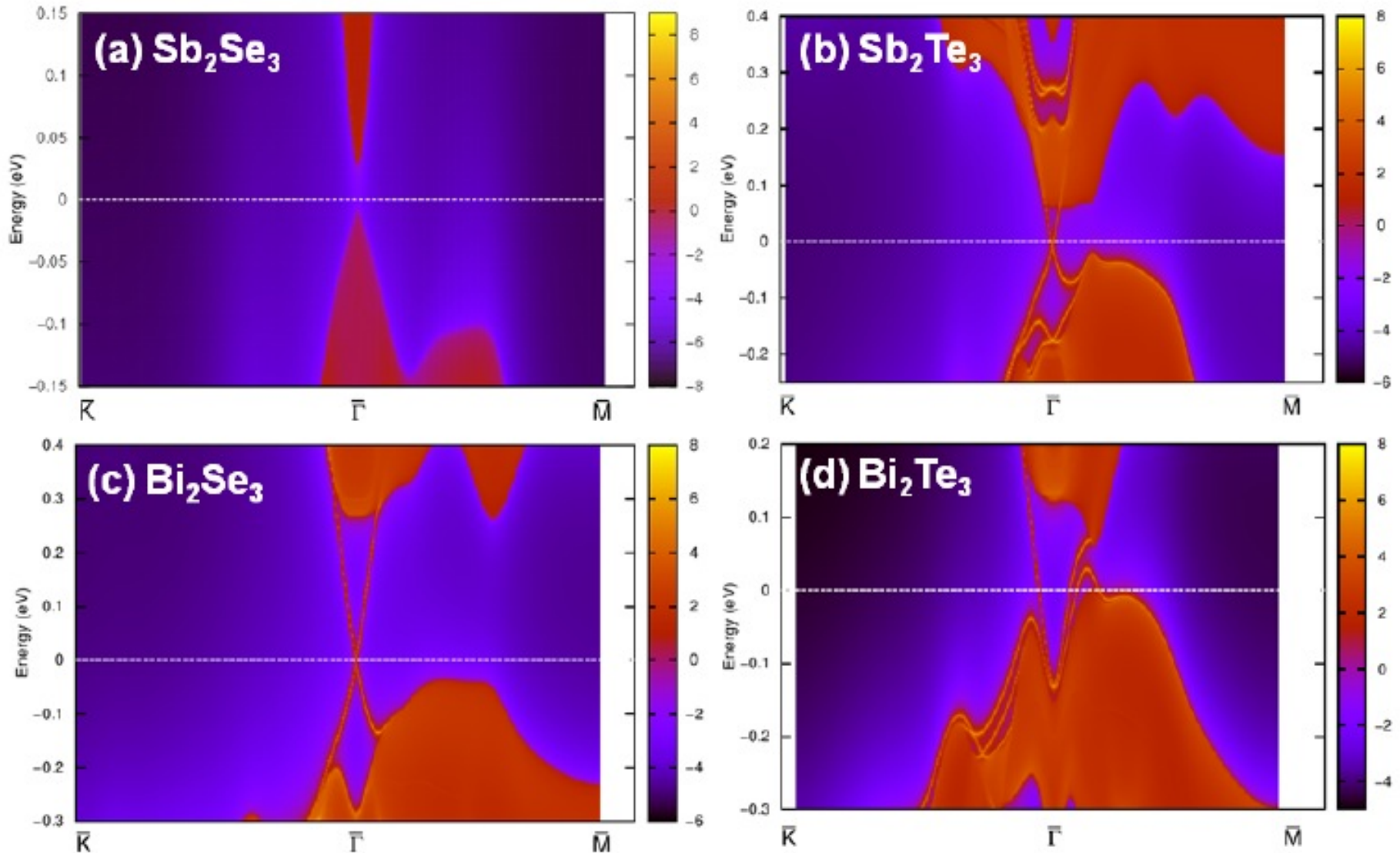


With SOC

1. Only Gamma Point is relevant.
2. SOC will invert the bands at Gamma.
3. Gap is around 0.3 eV.



ab-initio Surface States:
Bi₂Se₃ has the biggest Gap around 0.3eV

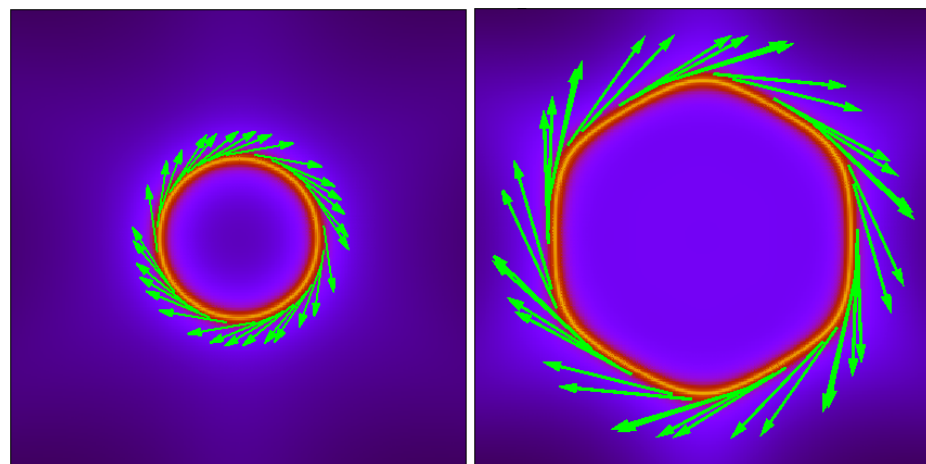
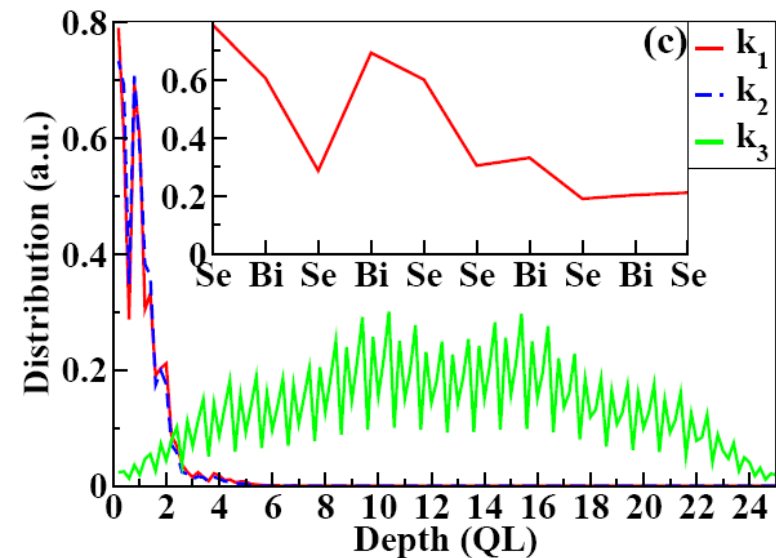


H. J. Zhang, et.al., Nature Phys. (2009)

2. Materials: Bi_2Te_3 , Bi_2Se_3 , Sb_2Te_3

Penetration Depth
of Surface state, 2nm

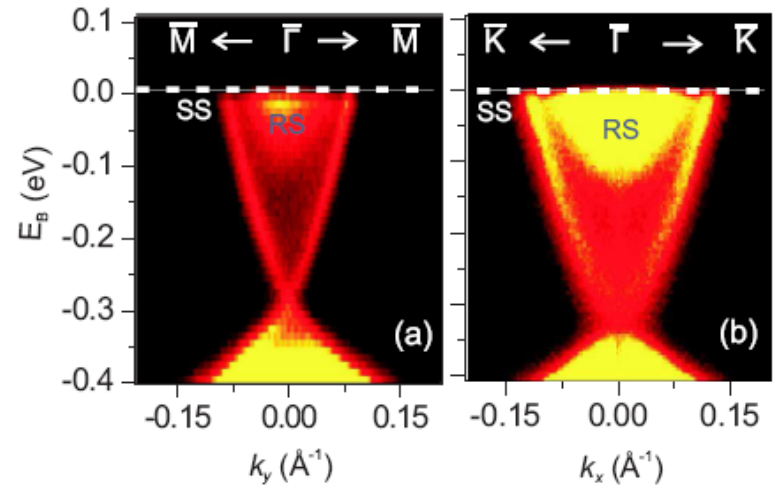
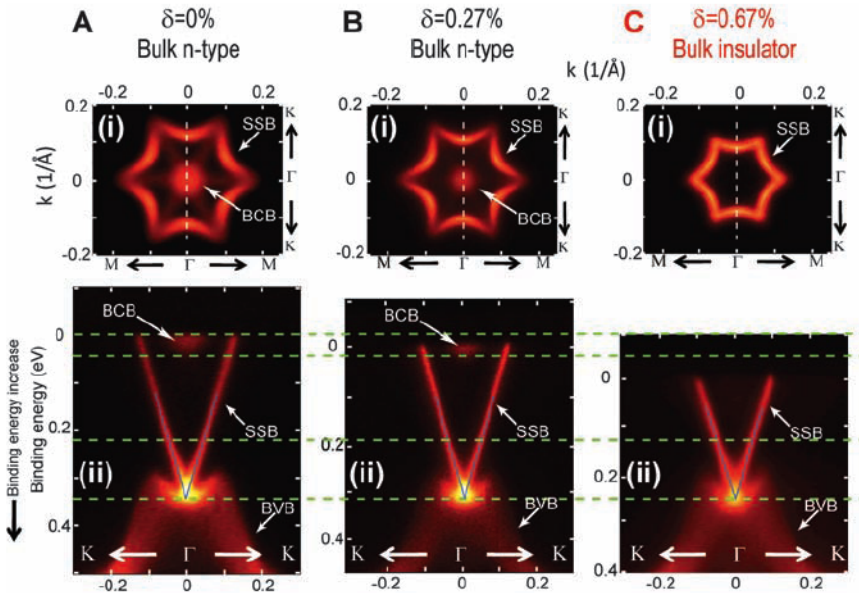
Chiral Spin texture



W. Zhang, et.al., New J. Phys, 12, 065013 (2010)

2. TI Materials: Exp. evidence

ARPES

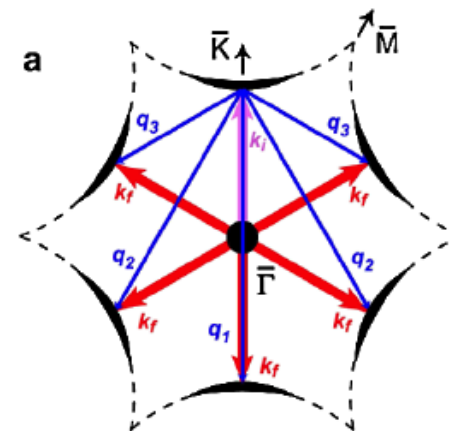
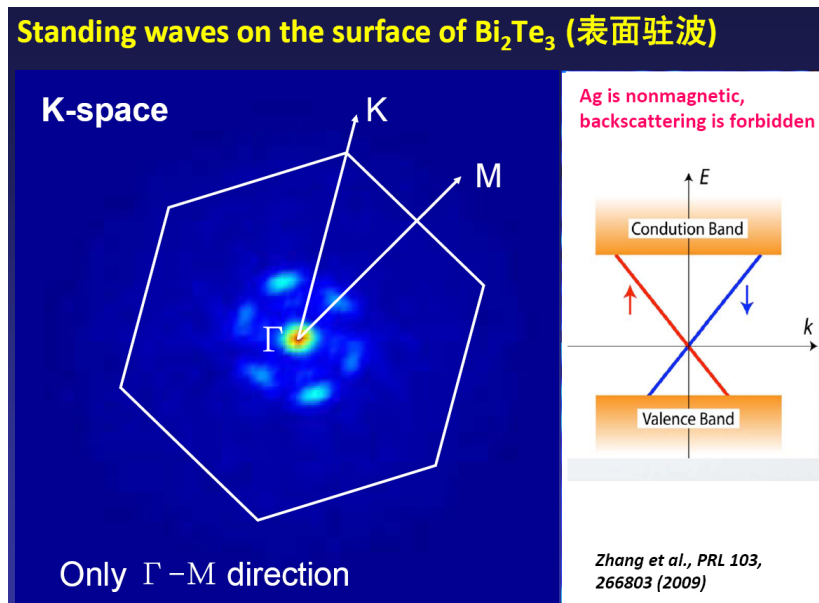
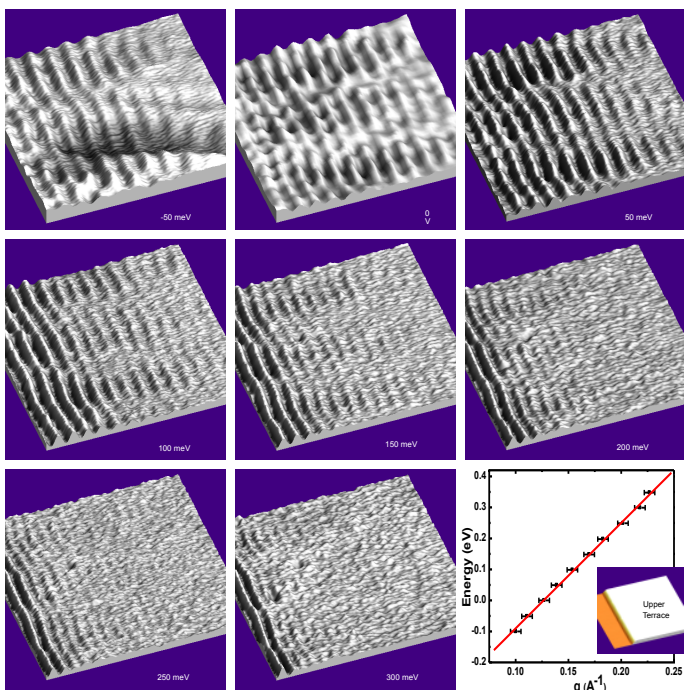


Y. L. Chen, et al.
SCIENCE (2009)
 Bi_2Te_3

Y. Xia, et al.
Nature Physics (2009)
 Bi_2Se_3

2. TI Materials: Exp. evidence

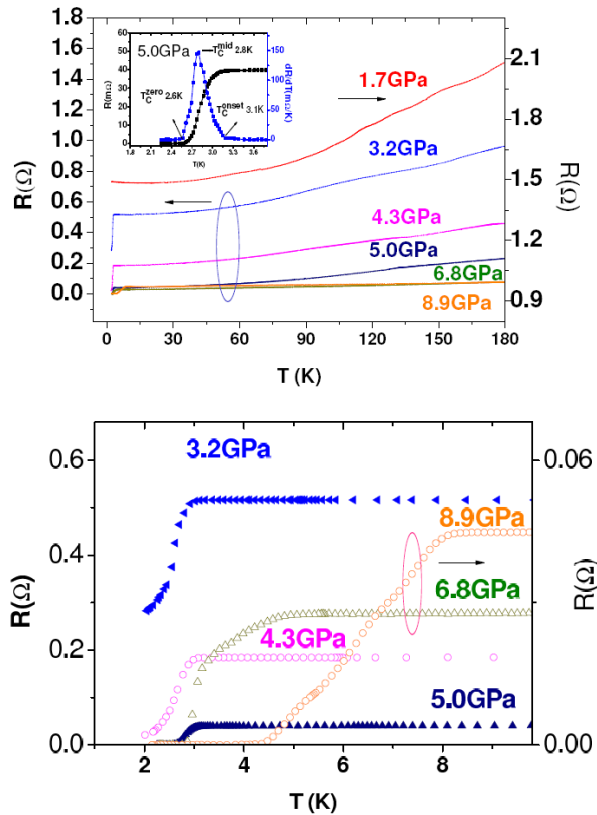
Absence of back-scattering



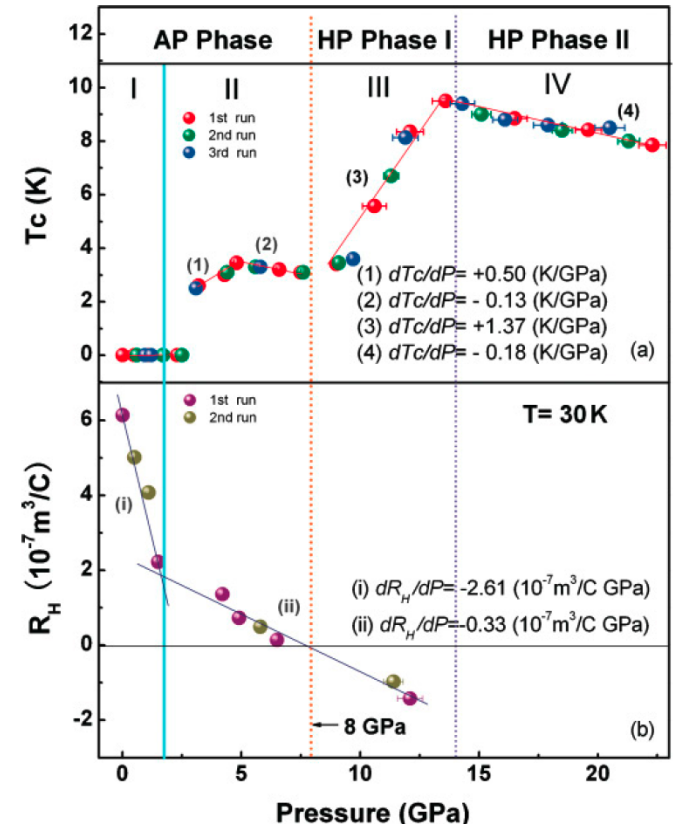
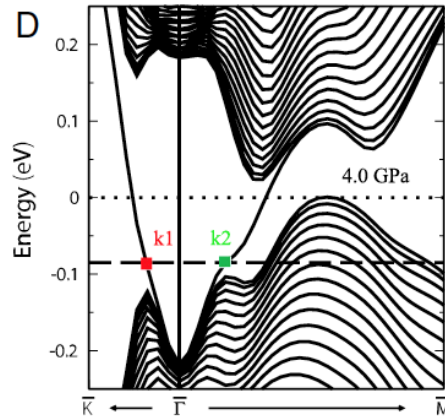
T. Zhang, et. al., PRL (2009).

2. TI materials:

拓扑绝缘体在压力下的超导态:



靳常青, PNAS (2011)

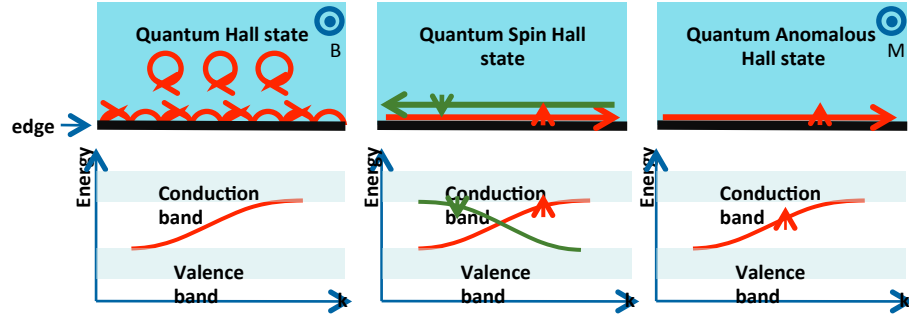


孙立玲, 等, PRB (2011).
Editor's Suggestion

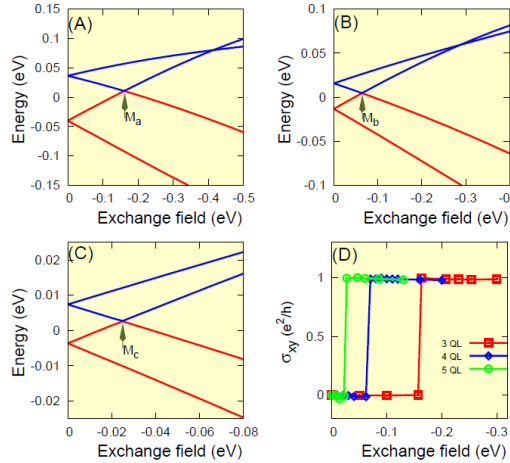
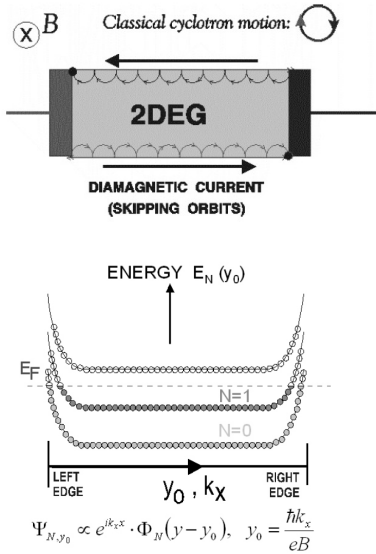
拓扑超导态?

2. 拓扑绝缘体：最新进展

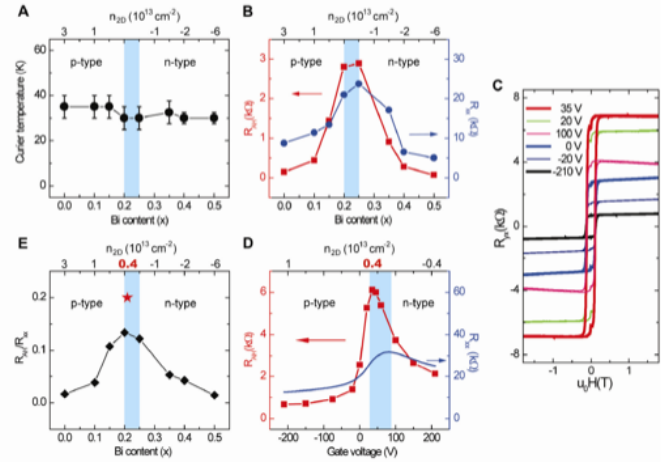
磁性拓扑绝缘体----量子化反常Hall效应



Bi₂Se₃ film doped with Cr or Fe



量子反常Hall效应
方忠、戴希等，SCIENCE(2010)
无需外加磁场实现量子Hall效应！



$R_{AH} \approx 6K\Omega$, 约1/4个 e^2/h (25K Ω)

已获得初步实验证实：
何柯，马旭村，薛其坤等，
Cr-Bi₂Te₃-Sb₂Te₃ film,
arxiv: 1108.4754(2011).

量子Hall效应

2. TI Materials: Ag_2Te

Crystal Structure:

$T > 417 \text{ K}$,

$\alpha\text{-Ag}_2\text{Te}$,

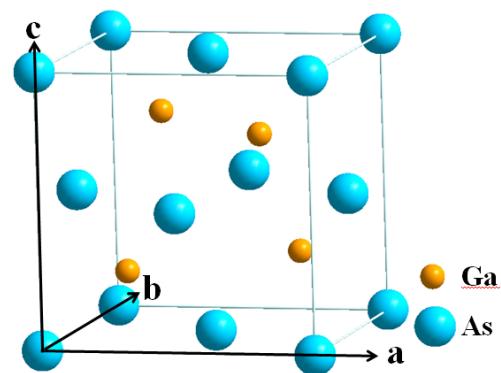
anti-fluorite ($\text{Fm}\bar{3}\text{m}$)

$T < 417 \text{ K}$,

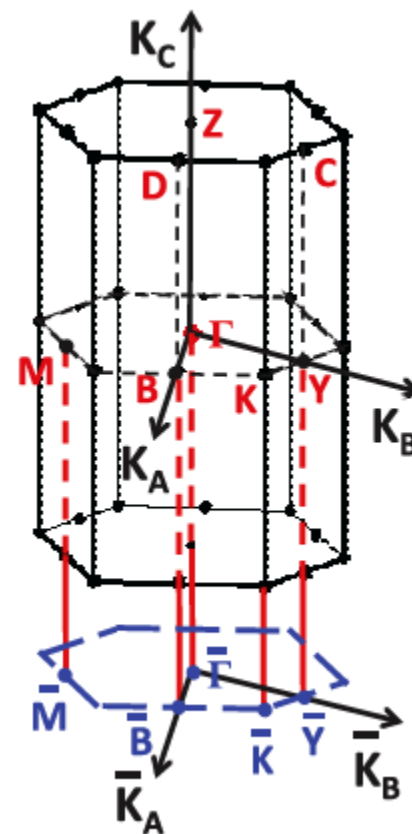
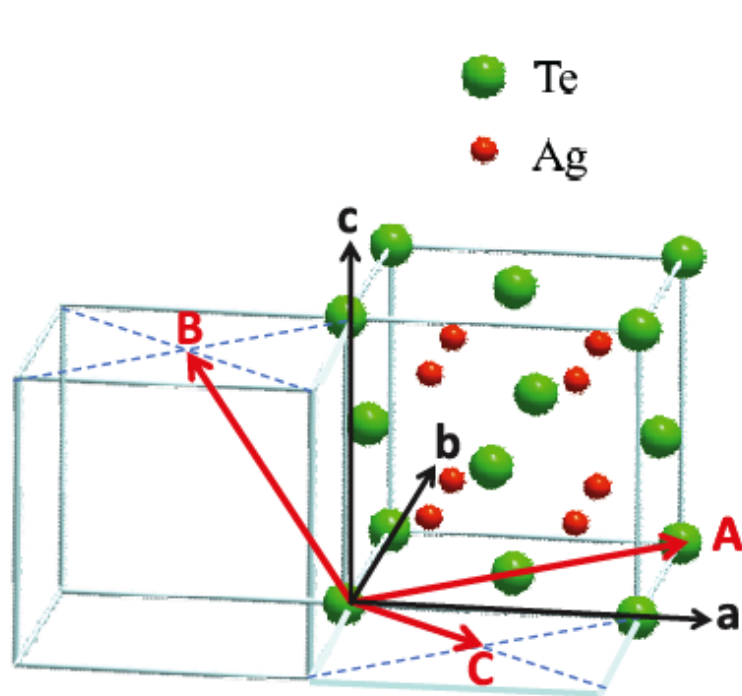
$\beta\text{-Ag}_2\text{Te}$,

distorted ($\text{P}2_1/\text{c}$)

Cubic: a, b, c

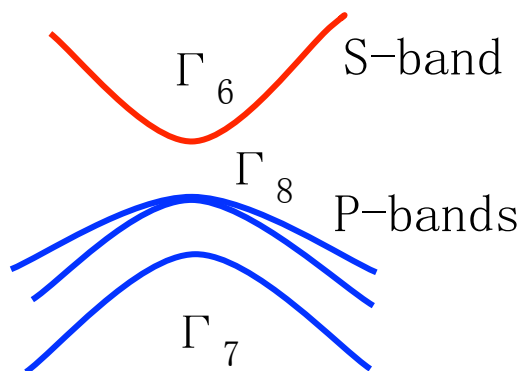


GaAs

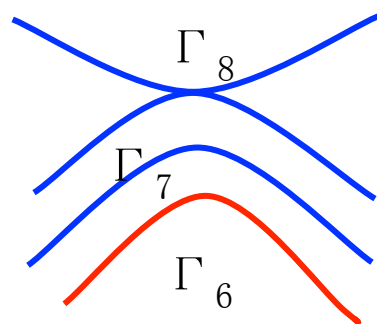


2. TI Materials: Ag_2Te

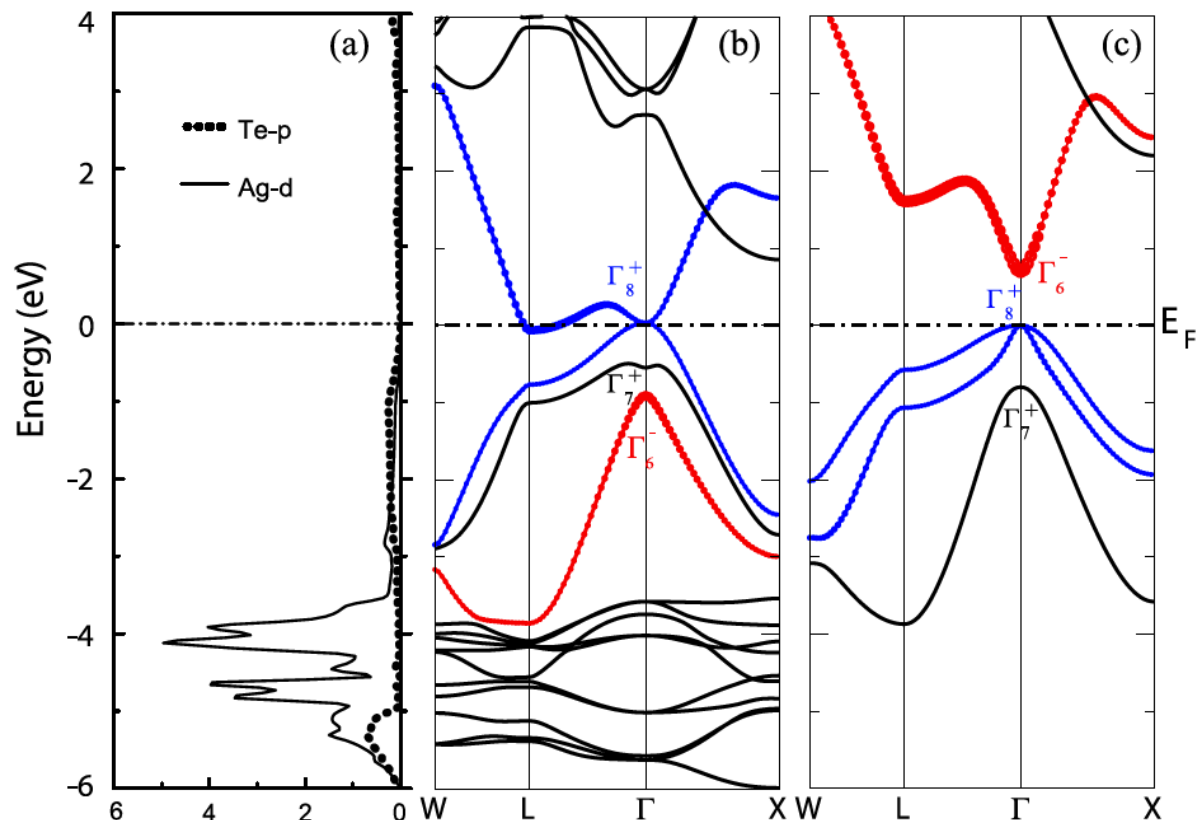
Inverted Band Structure of $\alpha\text{-Ag}_2\text{Te}$ Similar to HgTe



GaAS

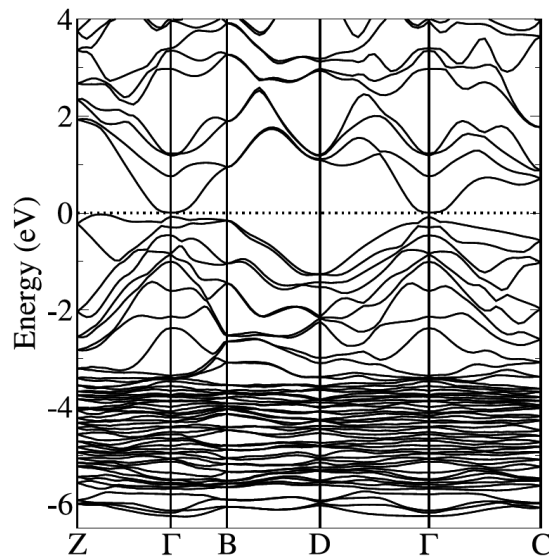


HgTe

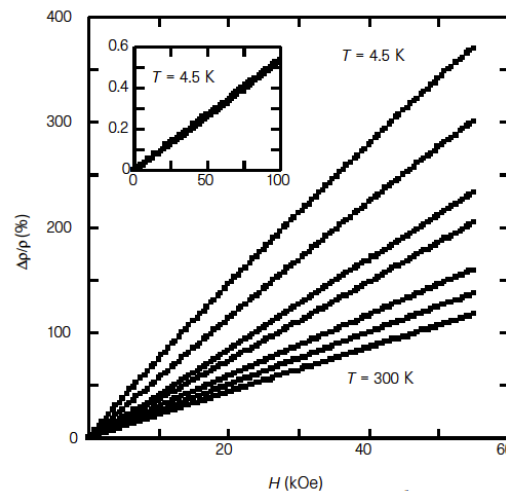


2. TI Materials: Ag_2Te

β - Ag_2Te , gap=80meV



Quantum Magneto-resistance
in $\text{Ag}_{2+\delta}\text{Te}$?



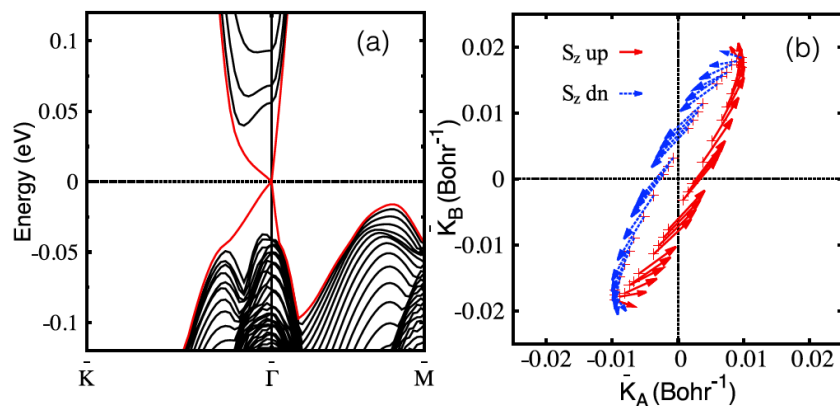
Super-linear MR
R. Xu, et.al.,
Nature (1997).

$$\text{Conventional MR: } \frac{\Delta\rho}{\rho} \propto \begin{cases} (\mu H)^2, & \mu H < 1 \\ C, & \mu H > 1, \end{cases}$$

Abrikosov's Quantum MR:

$$\rho_{xx} = \rho_{yy} = \frac{N_i H}{\pi n^2 e c}, \quad \rho_{xy} = RH = \frac{H}{nec},$$

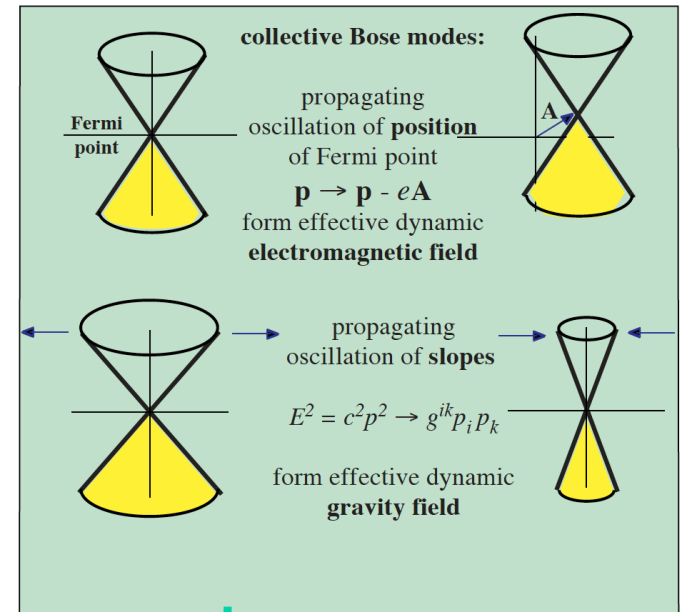
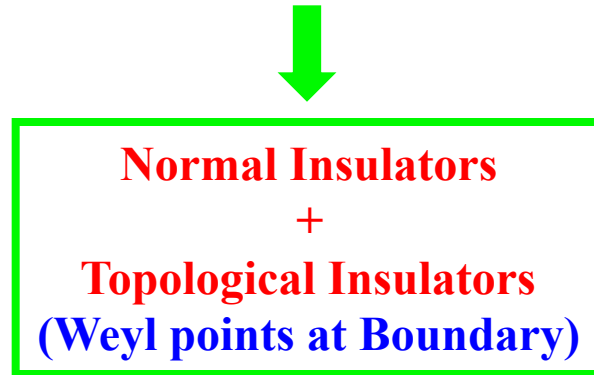
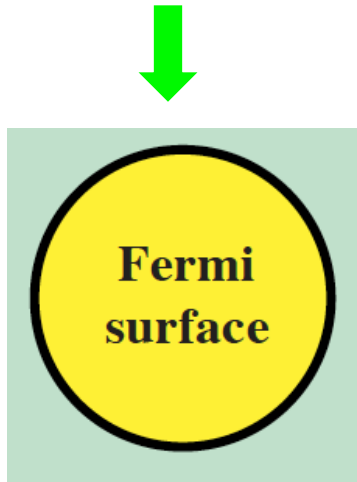
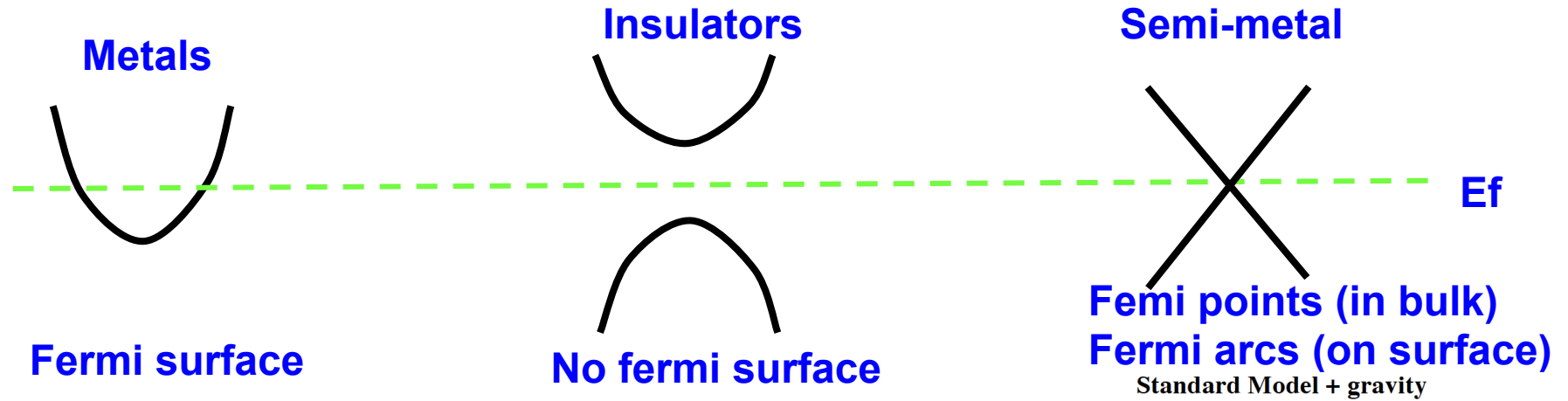
Linear Dispersion is Important!
Landau Level Spacing. $\propto \sqrt{B}$



W. Zhang, et.al., PRL **106**, 156808 (2011).

3. 拓扑半金属: Momentum Space Topology

Three distinct stable classes in 3D:



Our Subjects

3. 拓扑半金属: Family of TIs?

2D

3D

T-broken

T-invariant

T-invariant

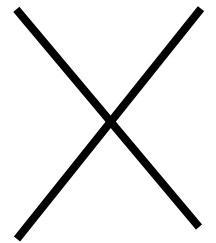
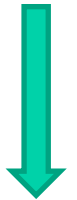
T-Broken

QHE
QAHE

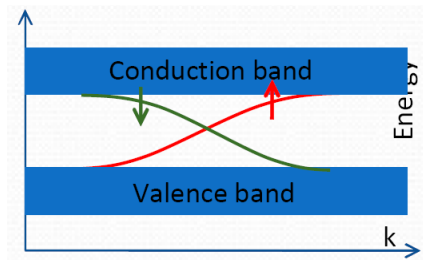
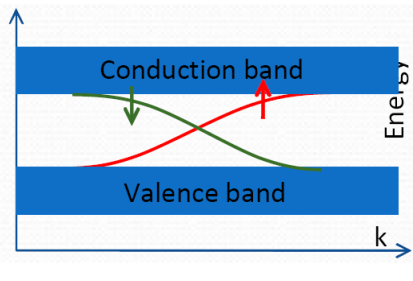
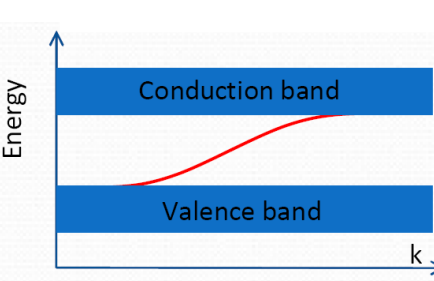
QSHE

Kondo
Topological Band Insulator
Anderson
Mott

Semi-metal



Femi points
(in bulk)

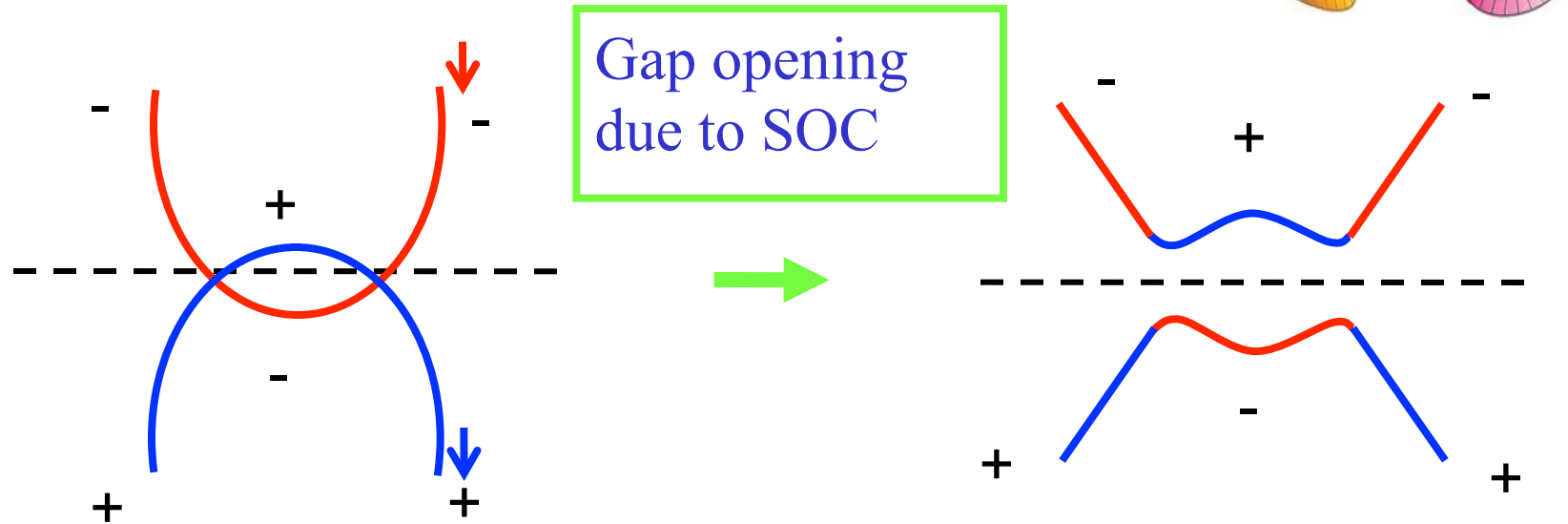


Edge States
TKNN
Chern number

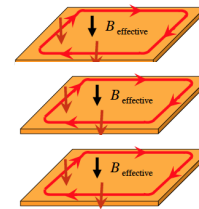
\mathbb{Z}_2 Surface States

3. Semi metals: From 2D to 3D without TRS?

2D Chern Insulators:



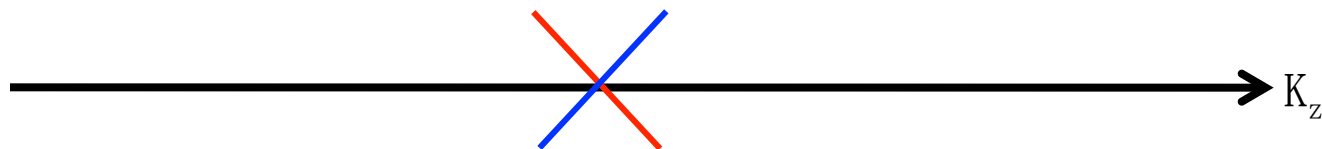
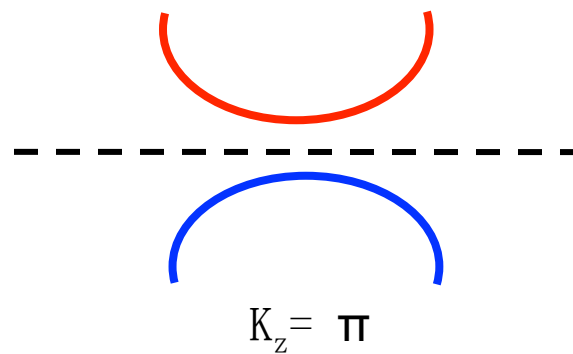
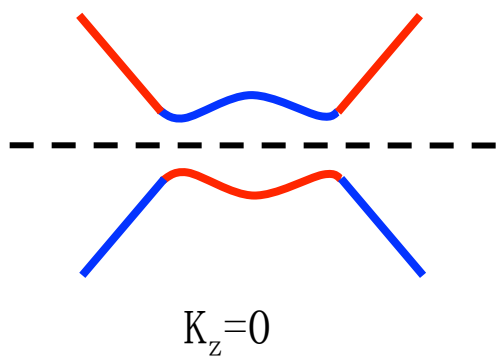
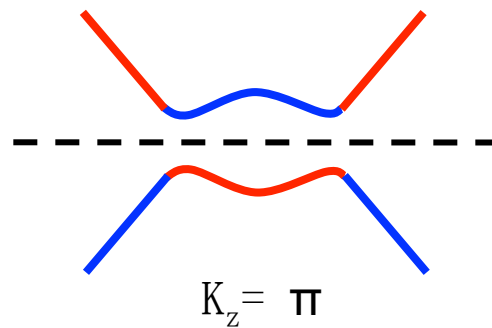
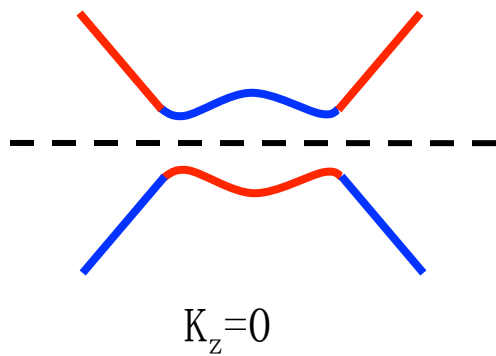
3D: (1) Weak 3D Chern Insulators:



(2) Strong 3D--Any analogy? Chern semi-metal:
Time Reversal Polarization in momentum space!

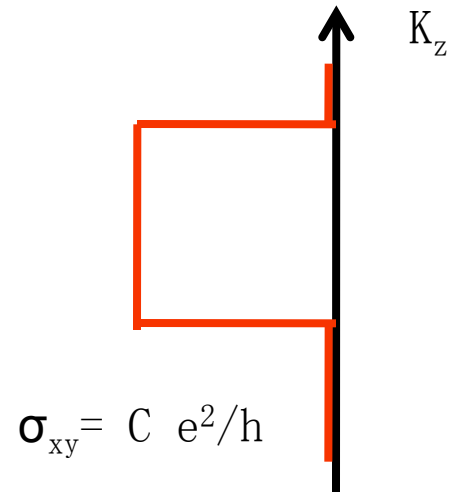
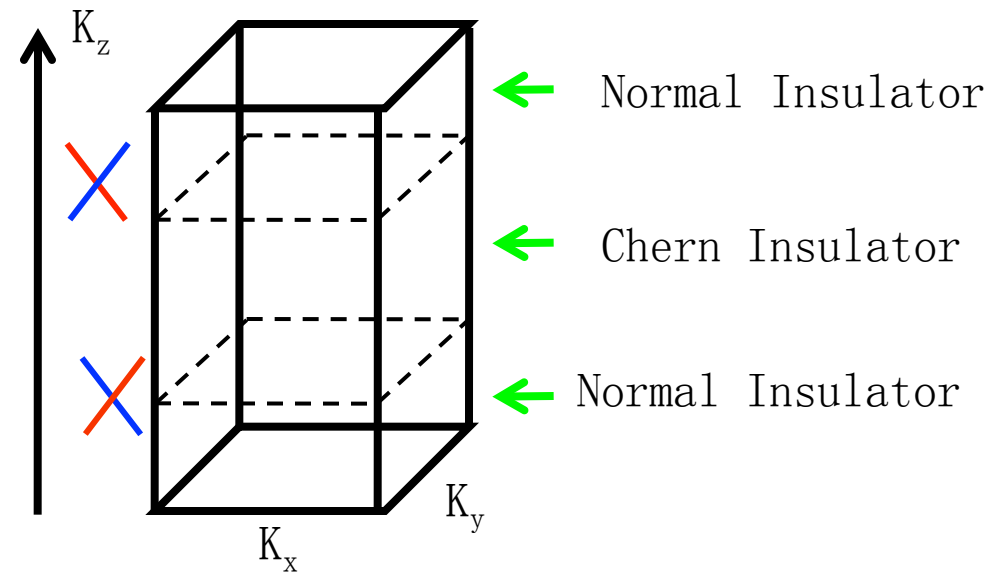
3. Semimetals: Chern Insulators and semi-metal?

Weak Chern Insulators:



Topological Phase Transition

3. Semimetal: Chern semi-metal?



2x2 Hamiltonian in Bulk (not 4x4): $\epsilon_{\pm} = \pm |\vec{f}(\vec{k})|$

$$H(\vec{k}) = \vec{f}(\vec{k}) \cdot \vec{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} f_z & f_x - if_y \\ f_x + if_y & -f_z \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Weyl nodes at: } |\vec{f}| = 0$$

Berry's connection: $\vec{A}(\vec{k}) = -i \langle u_{\vec{k}} | \nabla_{\vec{k}} | u_{\vec{k}} \rangle$

Berry's curvature: $\vec{\Omega}(\vec{k}) = \nabla_{\vec{k}} \times \vec{A}$

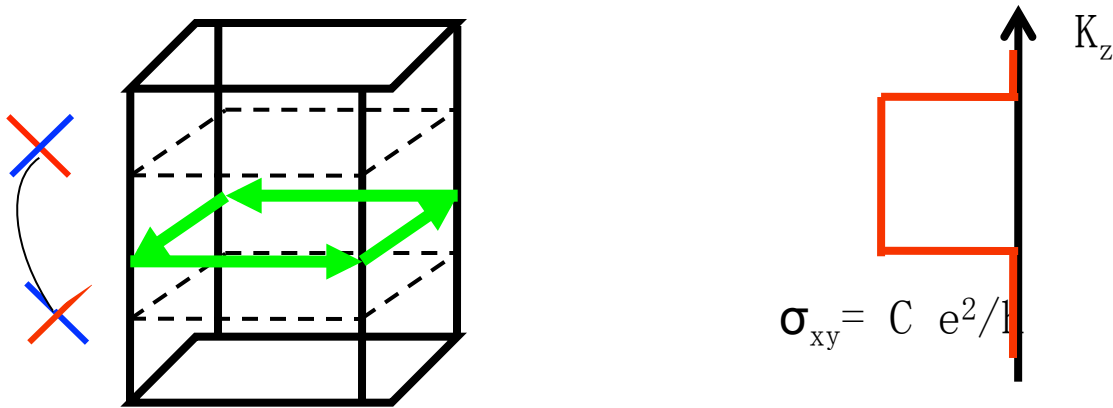
3. Semimetal: Chern semi-metal?

(1) It is topologically unavoidable. (not accidental)

(2) Time-reversal polarization & Magnetic Monopoles in the K-space.

$$\vec{\Omega} = \pm \frac{\vec{f}}{|\vec{f}|^3} \quad \text{around} \quad |\vec{f}|=0 \quad (\text{See, Z. Fang, Science (2003)})$$

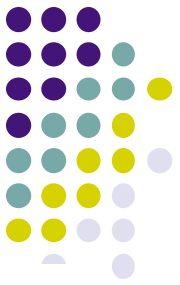
(3) Fermi arcs on the side surface.



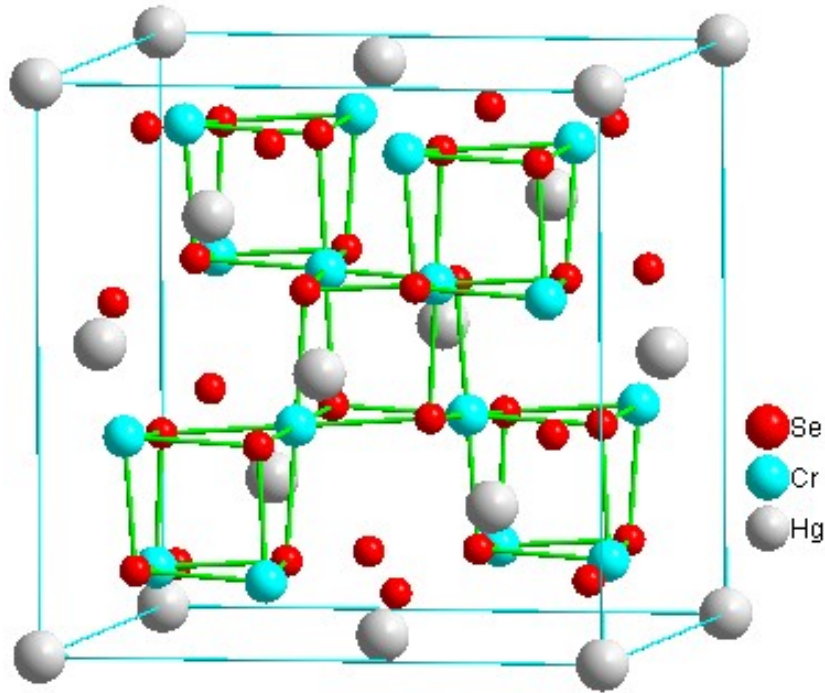
(See, X. G. Wan & Savaraso, PRB (2011), on AF Pyrochlore iridates)

(4) QAHE in quantum well structure.

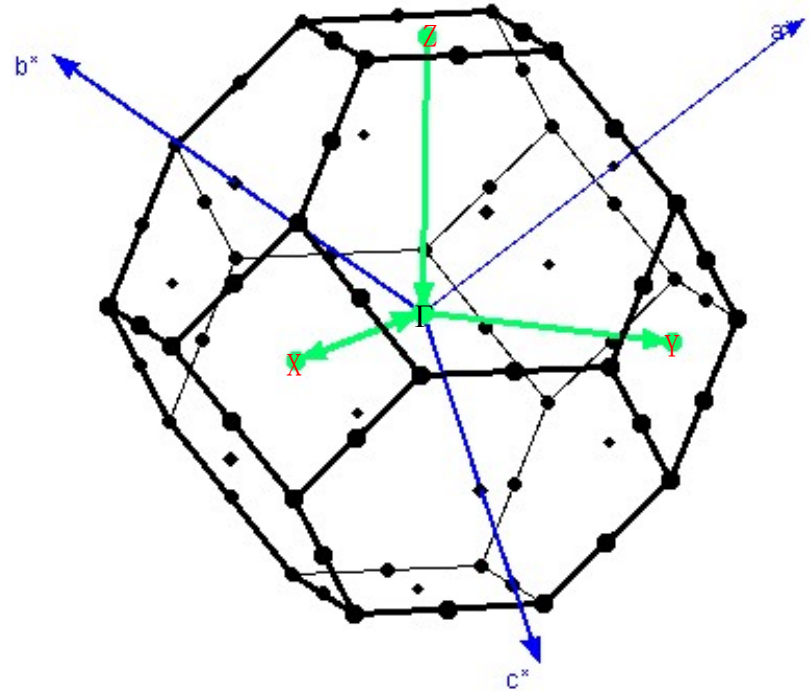
Crystal structure of HgCr_2Se_4



Crystal structure



BZ



HgX sublattice is zinc-blende

Two HgX sublattices are connected by Inversion, like Diamond.

Space group $Fd\bar{3}m$ (point group O_h).

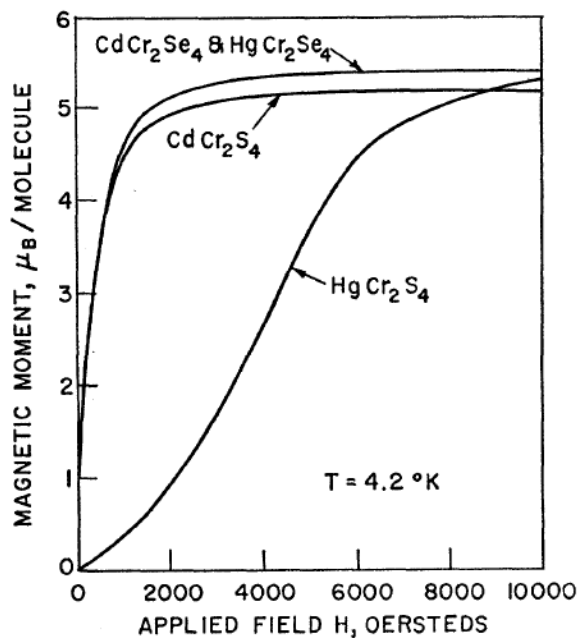
Each Cr atom is octahedrally coordinated by 6 nearest Se atoms.

HgCr₂Se₄



TABLE II. Magnetic and crystallographic properties of ferromagnetic spinels.

Composition	Lattice parameter Å	<i>u</i> parameter	Magnetic moment (4.2°K) μ _B /molecule	Curie temp. <i>T_c</i> , °K	Curie-Weiss θ, °K	Curie constant <i>C_M</i>	$\frac{\theta}{T_c}$
CdCr ₂ S ₄	10.244	0.390	5.15	84.5	152	3.70	1.80
CdCr ₂ Se ₄	10.755	0.390	5.62	129.5	204	3.82	1.57
HgCr ₂ S ₄	10.237	0.390	5.35	36.0	142	3.62	3.94
HgCr ₂ Se ₄	10.753	0.390	5.64	106	200	3.79	1.89



MAGNETIZATION CURVES AT 4.2°K

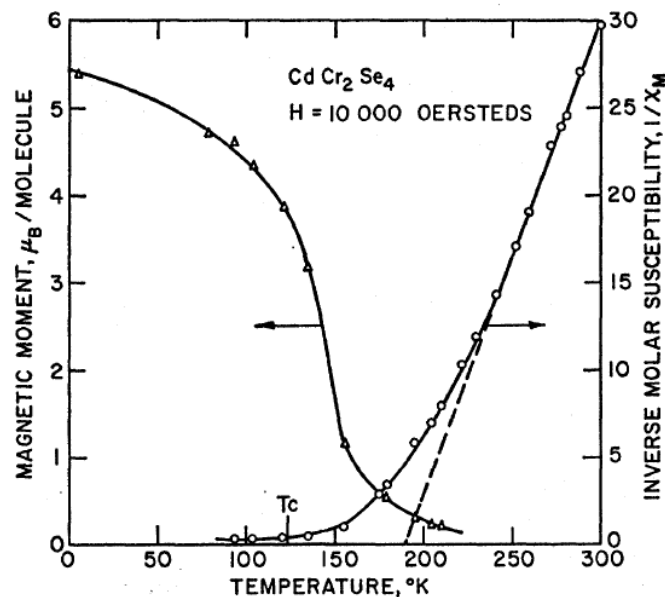
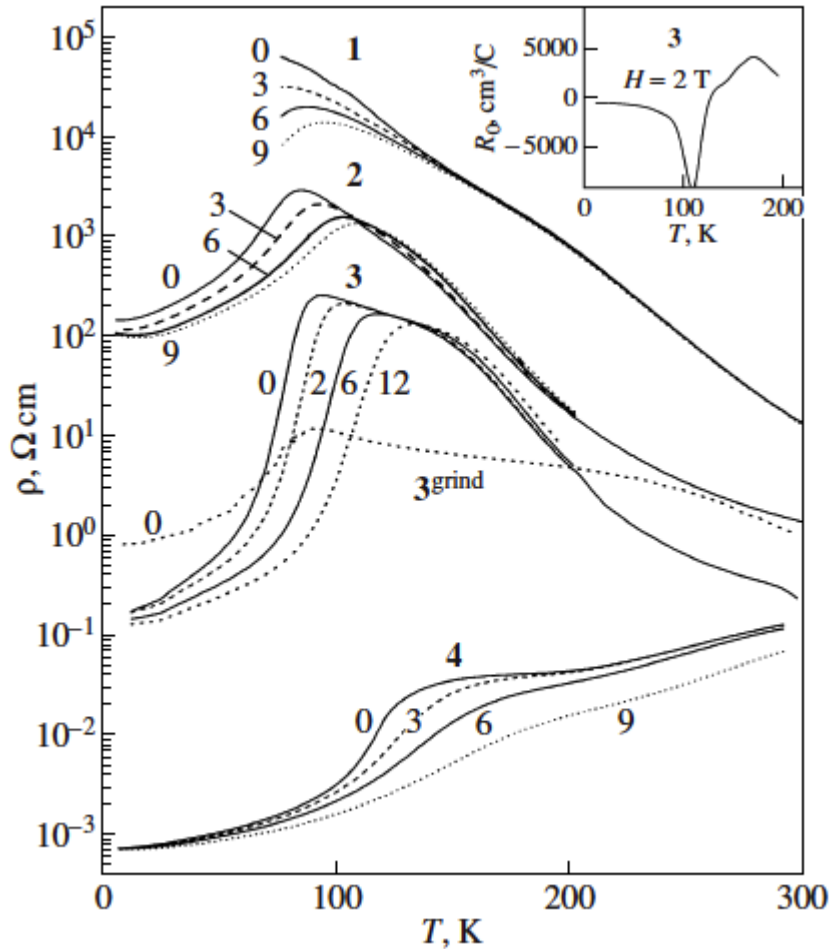
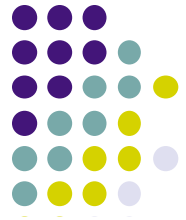


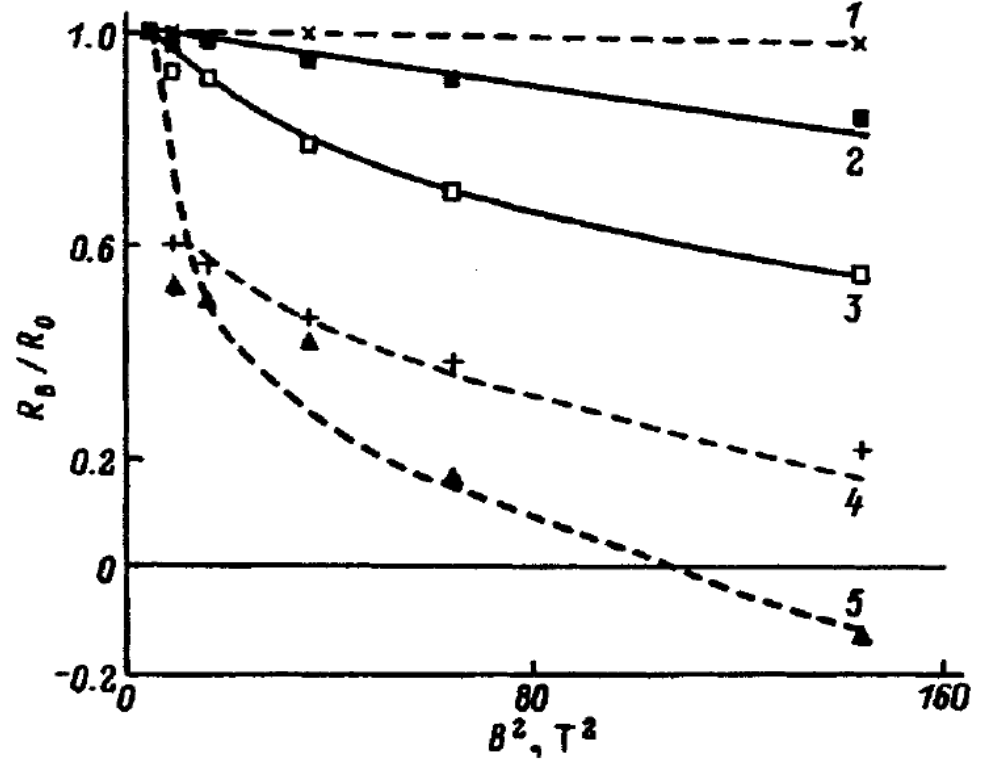
FIG. 3. Magnetic moment and inverse susceptibility as a function of temperature for CdCr₂Se₄ in an applied field of 10 000 Oe.

HgCr₂Se₄



Metallic

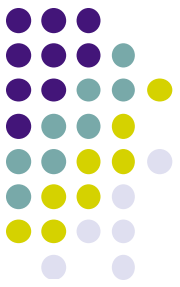
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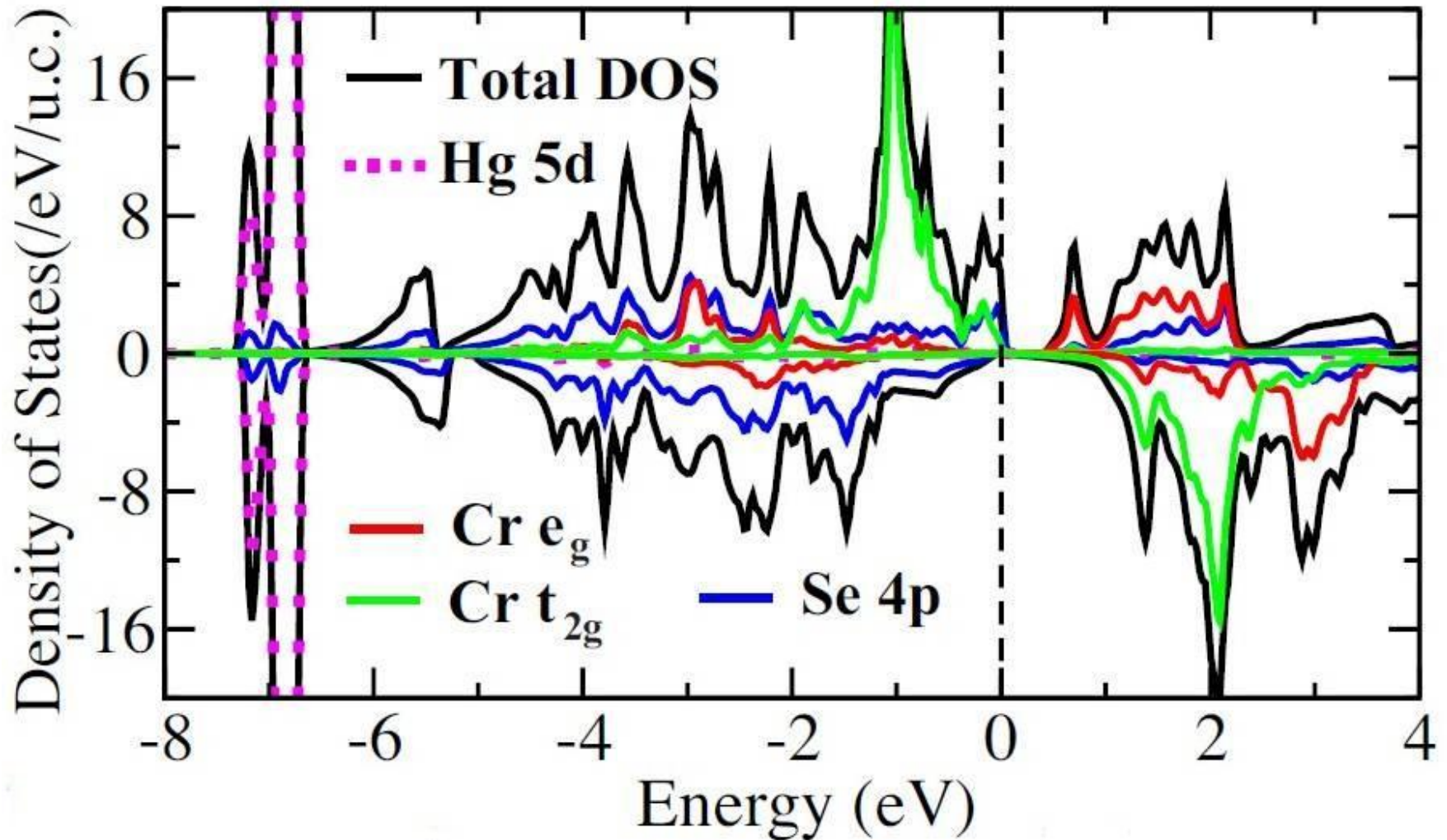
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Electronic structure without SOC

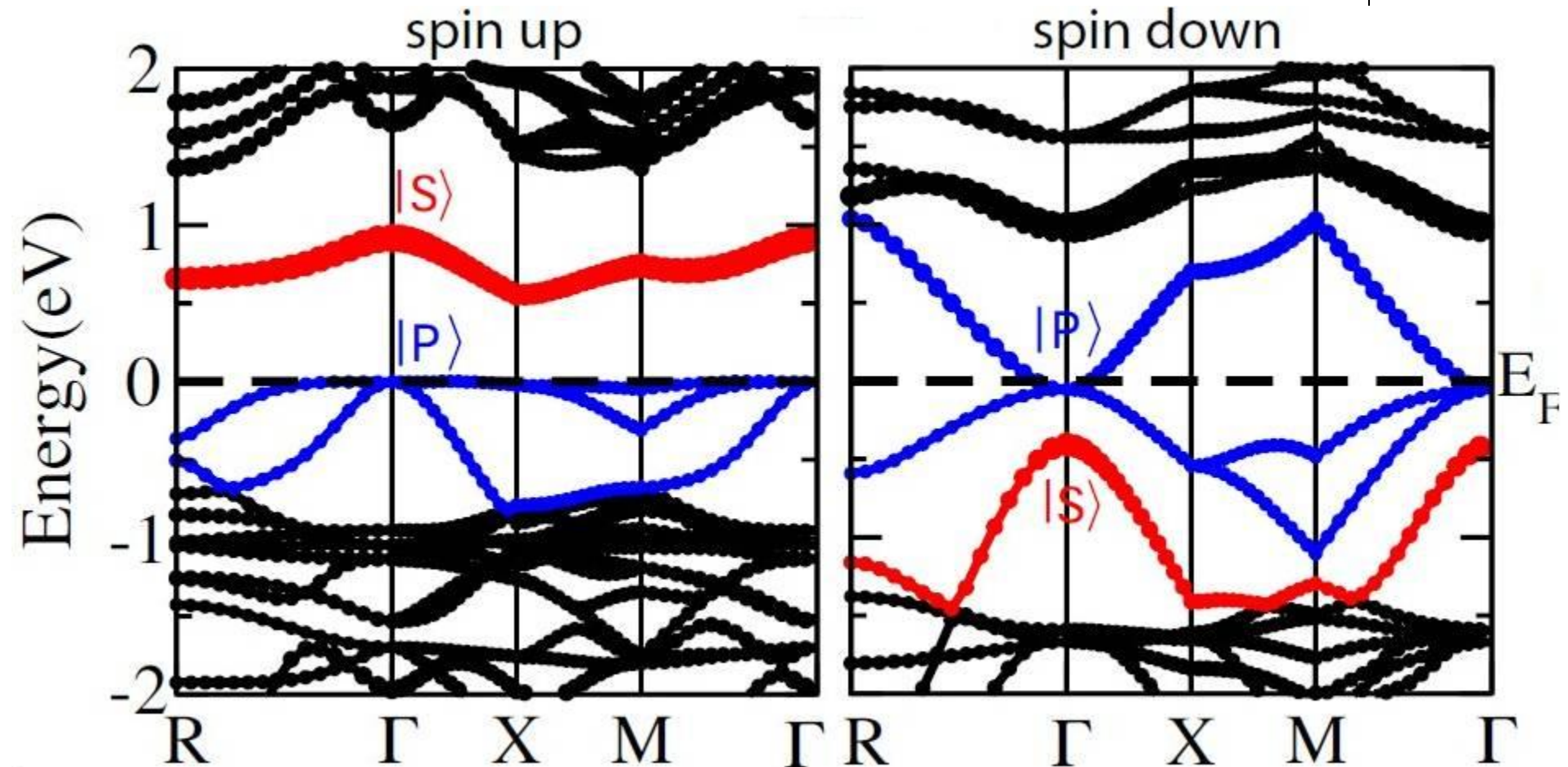
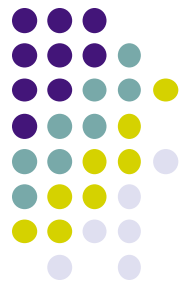


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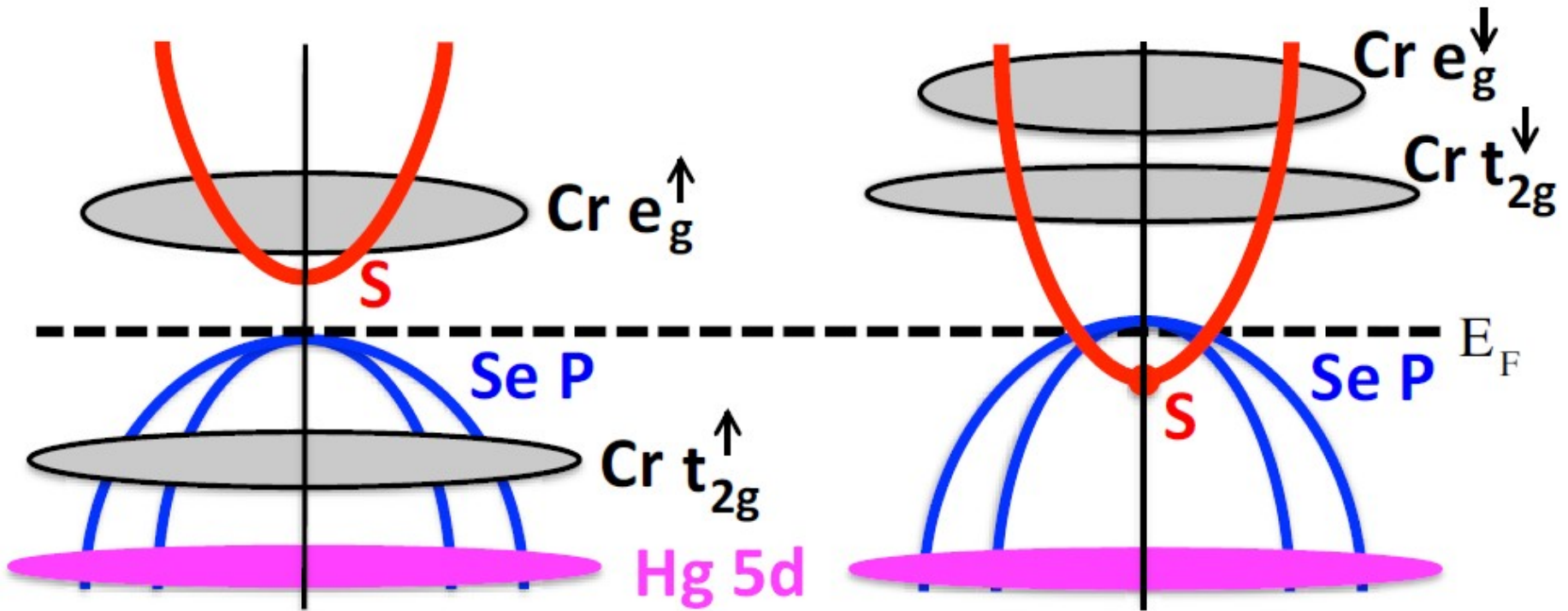
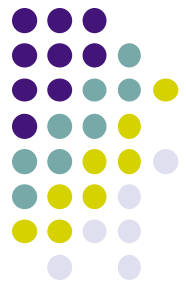


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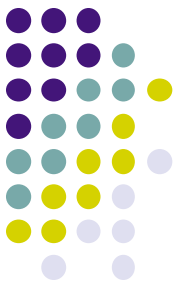
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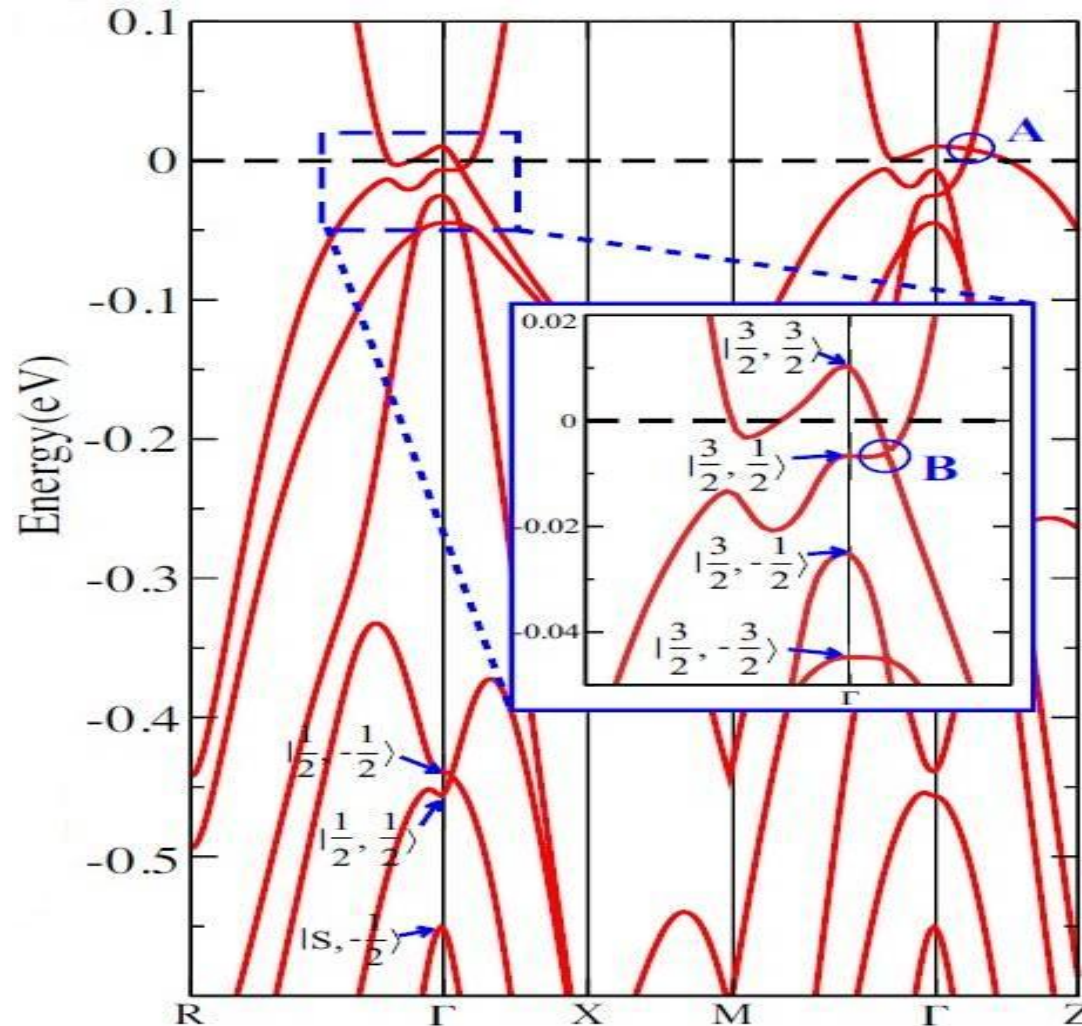
Schematic diagram for the band-inversion



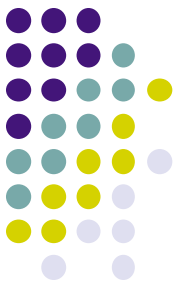
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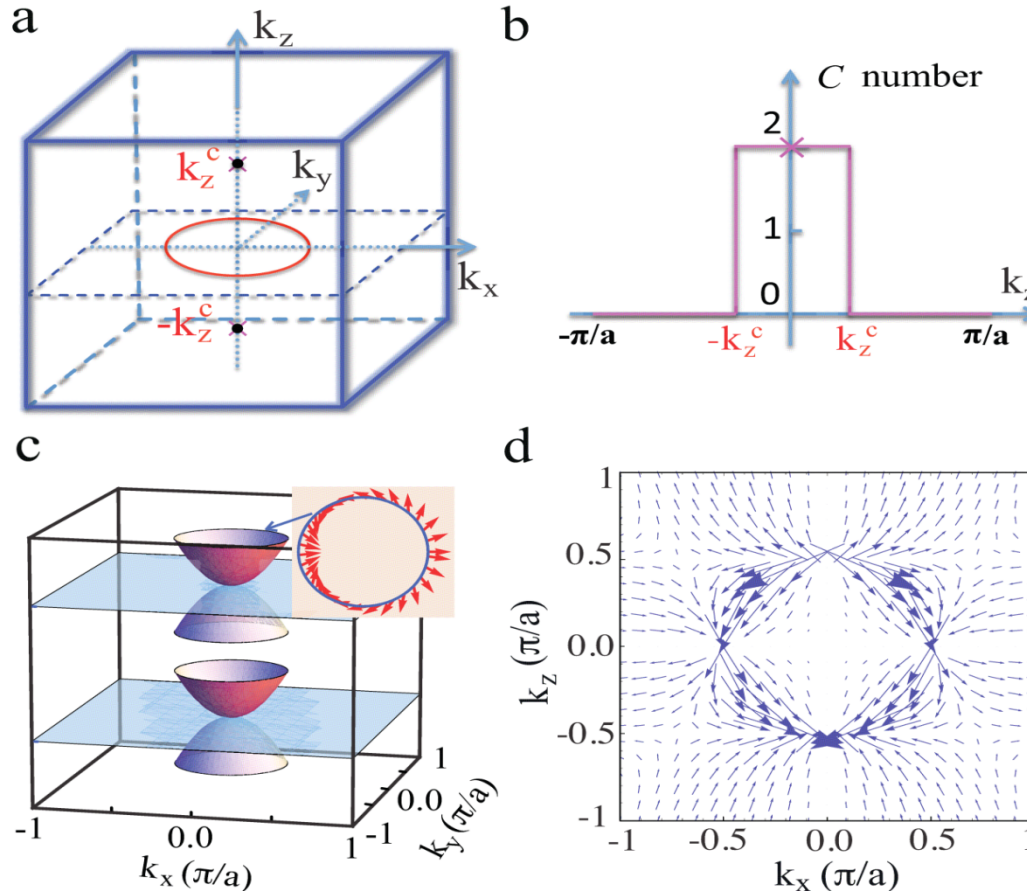
low energy band with SOC



Weyl fermions and magnetic monopoles



Due to the presence of k_{\pm} in the off-diagonal element, it is easy to check that Chern number C equals to 2 for the planes $k_z^c < k_z < k_z^c$ and $k_z \neq 0$ with



The in-plane band dispersions near the $k_z = \pm k_z^c$ are thus quadratic rather than linear, with a phase of 4π for the chiral spin texture. The two Weyl nodes form a single pair of magnetic monopoles carrying gauge flux in k -space.

8-band model for HgCr2Se4



2-band effective model

Two basis: $|3/2, 3/2\rangle$, $|S, -1/2\rangle$ with band-inversion

$$H_{eff} = \begin{bmatrix} M & Dk_z k_-^2 \\ Dk_z k_+^2 & -M \end{bmatrix}$$

Here $k_{\pm} = k_x \pm ik_y$, and $M = M_0 - \beta k^2$ is the mass term expanded to the second order, with parameters $M_0 > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ to ensure band inversion.

$$E(\mathbf{k}) = \pm \sqrt{M^2 + D^2 k_z^2 (k_x^2 + k_y^2)} \quad \text{two gapless solutions:}$$

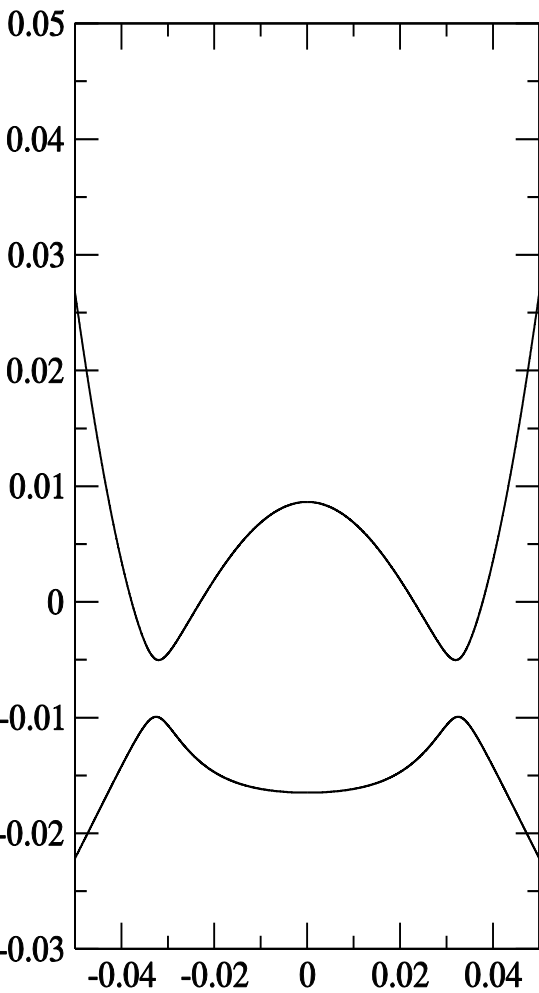
$$k_z = \pm k_z^c = \pm \sqrt{M_0 / \beta}$$

$$k_x^2 + k_y^2 = M_0 / \beta$$

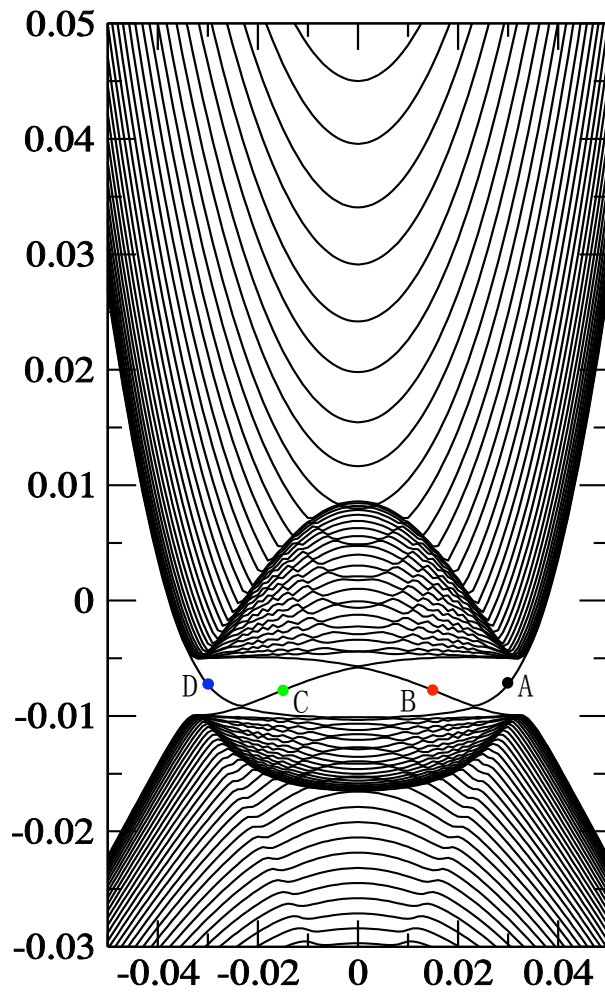
Edge states and fermi arcs on surface



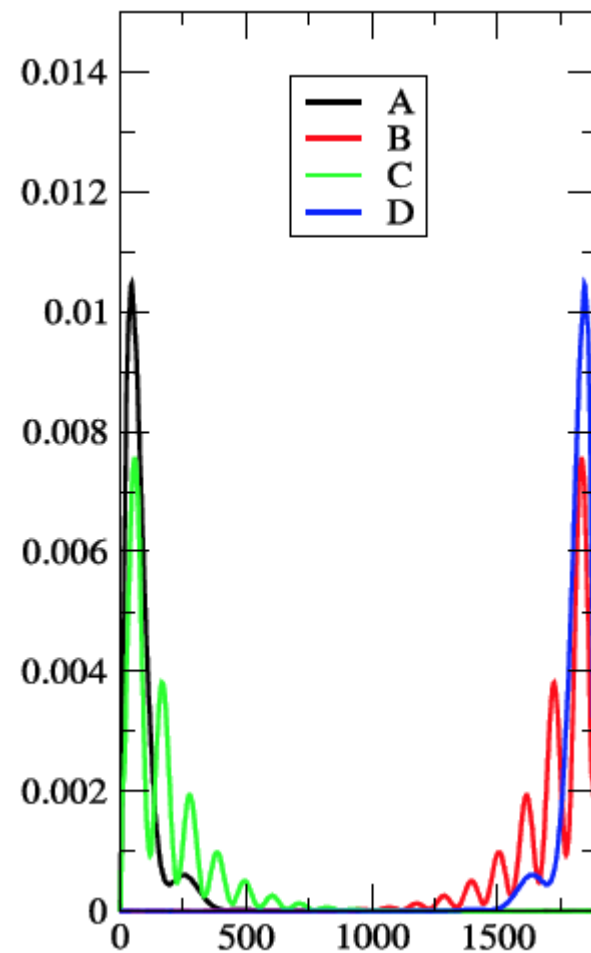
Edge state in $k_z=0.06\pi$ plane



Band of bulk



Edge state

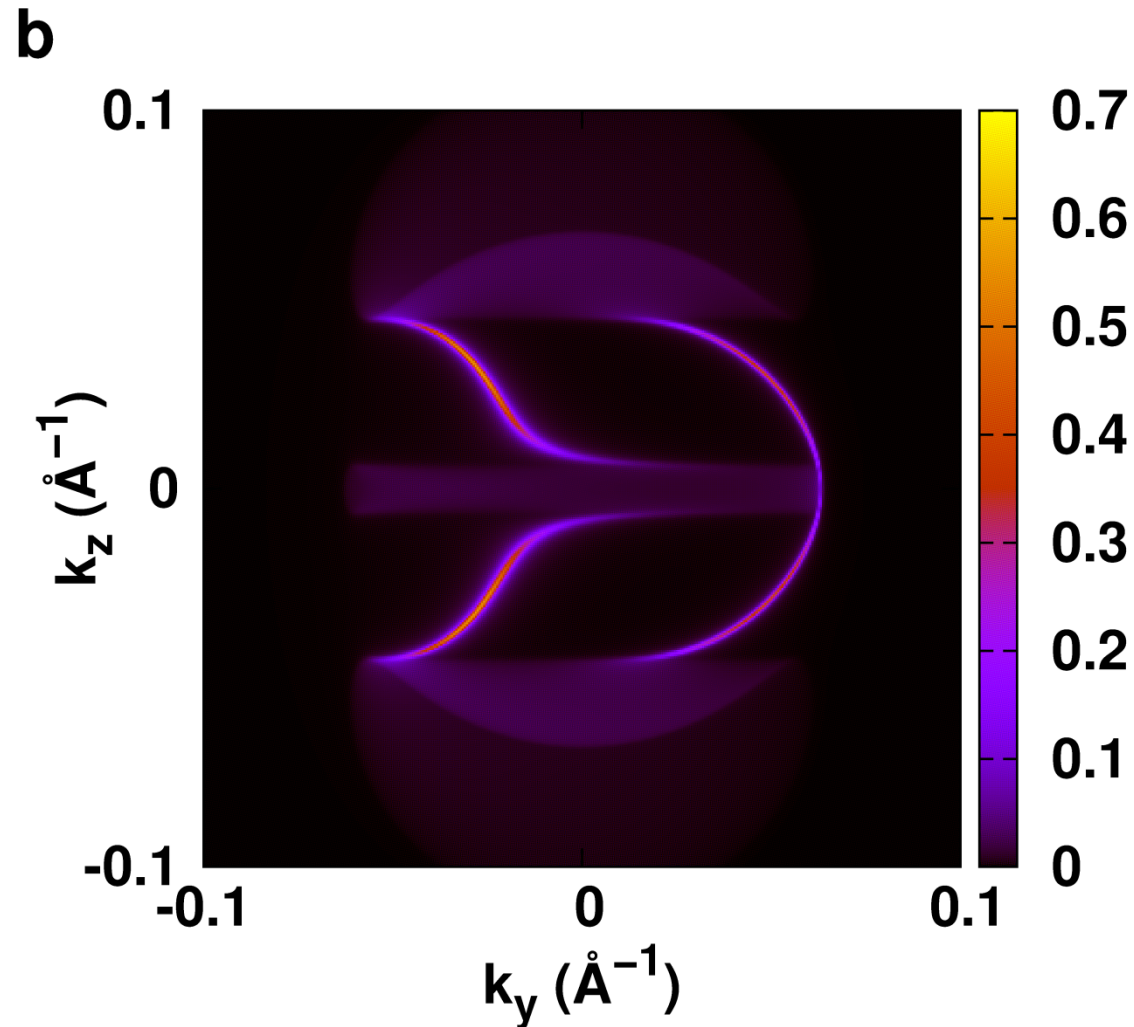


Distribution along x

Edge states and fermi arcs on surface



Fermi arcs for the (k_y , k_z) side surface

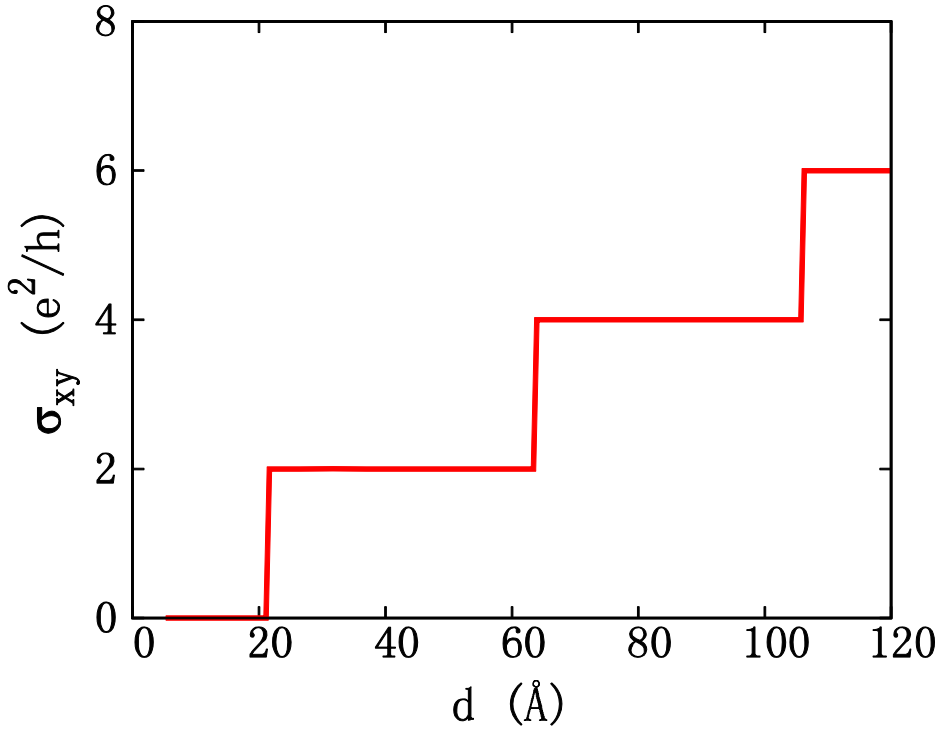
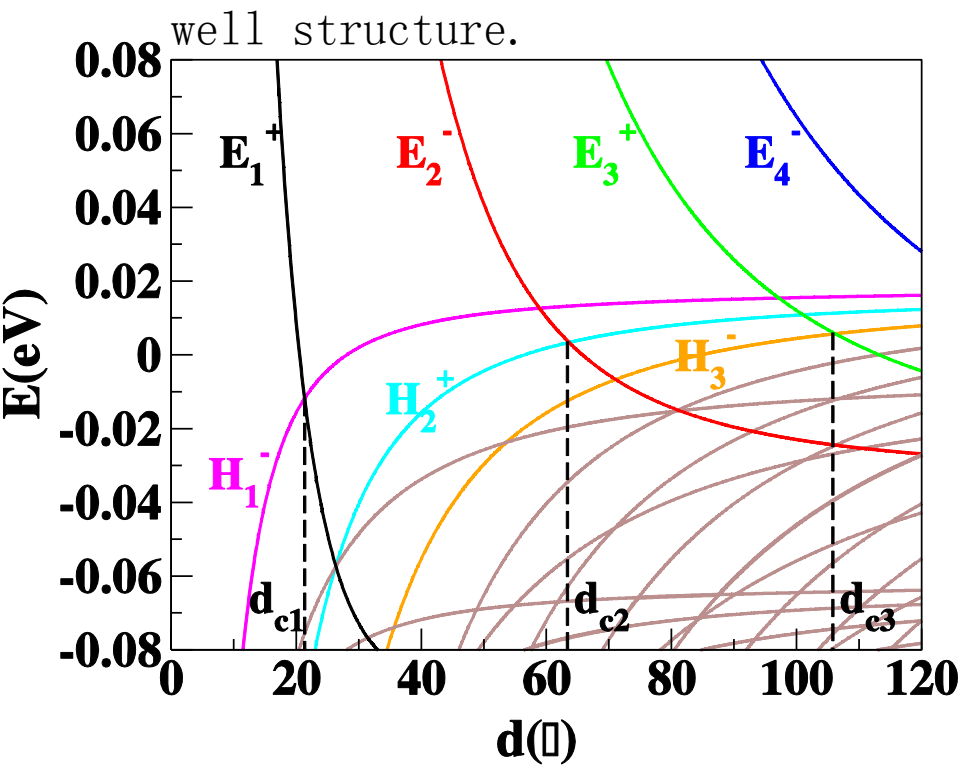


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QAHE in the quantum well structure



If we consider the open boundary condition along z direction, and replace k_z by $\frac{i\hbar\partial_z}{d}$ to evaluate the Hall conductance in the quantum well structure.

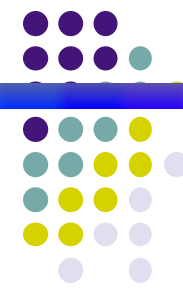


Energy gap at Γ vs. d

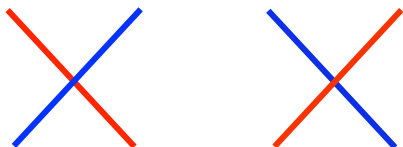
Hall conductance vs. d

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4. Topological Dirac Semimetal:

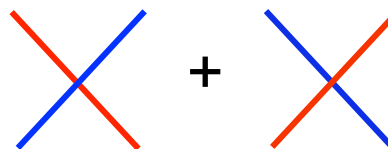


Weyl Semi-metal



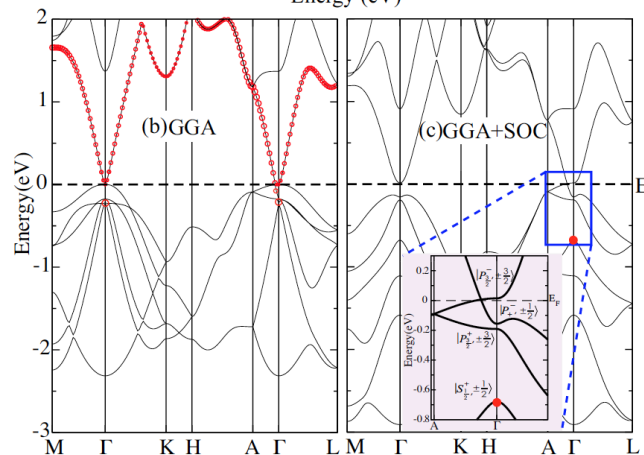
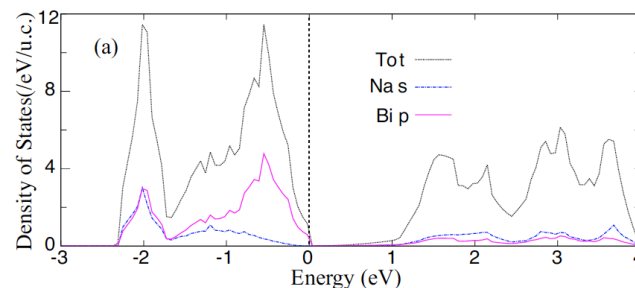
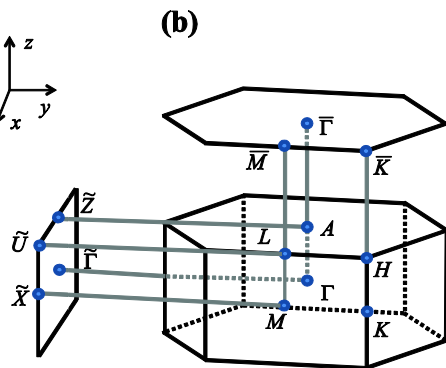
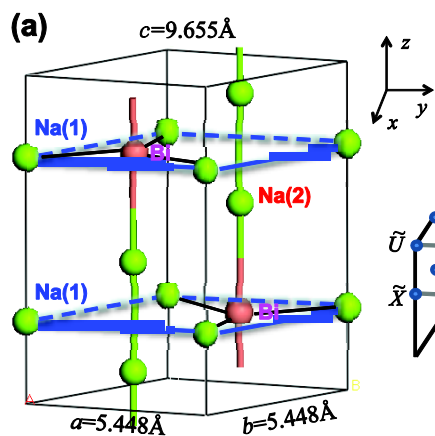
Separated in K
2x2 Hamiltonian
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Dirac Semi-metal

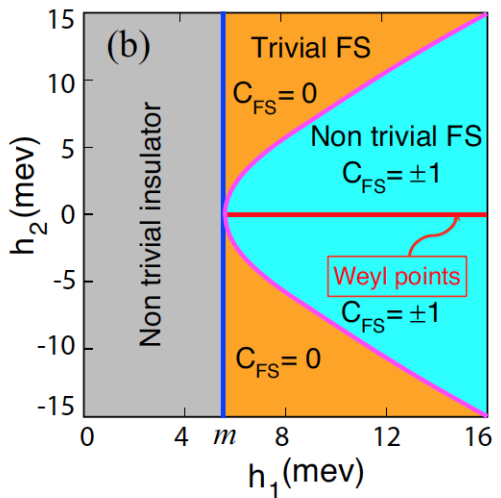
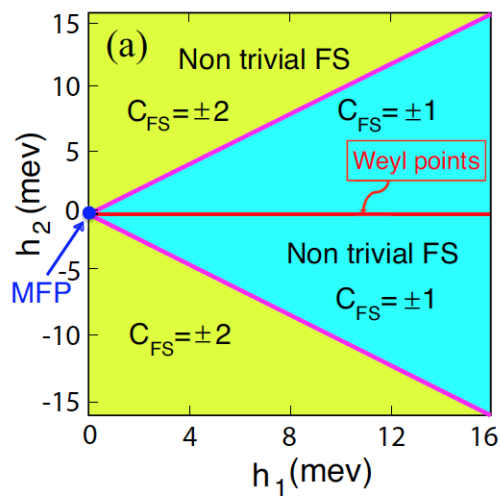
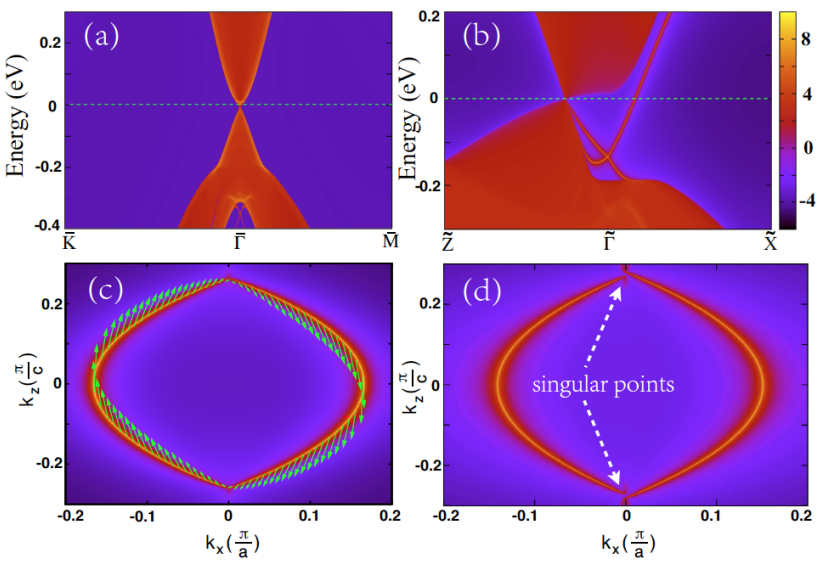


Overlapped in K
4x4 Hamiltonian
Protected by crystal Symm

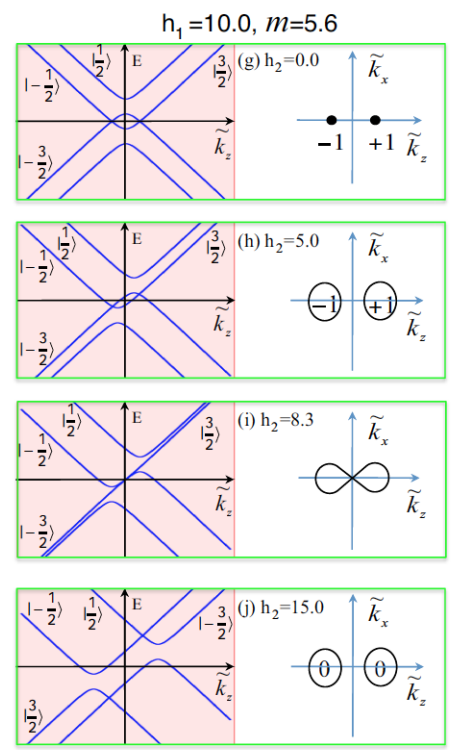
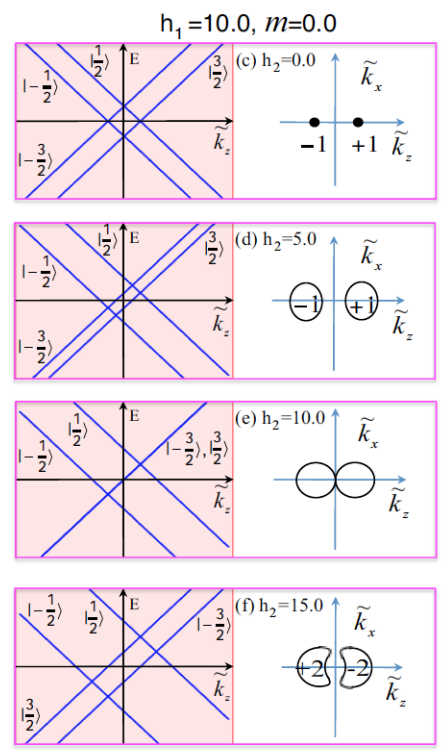
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4. Topological Dirac Semimetal:



Marginal Fermi points in $\text{Na}_3\text{Bi}, \text{K}_3\text{Bi}, \text{Rb}_3\text{Bi}$
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