## Spin dynamics in nonhomogeneous magnetic structures



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#### Outline



THz magnon

Summary and Prospect



#### Spintronics = Electronics + Magetics



#### What happens if the electron moves?



#### Spintronics = Electronics + Magetics

# Flow of charge= current Flow of spin= ?

#### The study on the "moving spin" $\rightarrow$ "spintronics"



#### Why now?

"spin" was already known at 100 years ago. Then, why the "flow of spin" becomes main topic only now?



#### Discovery of giant magnetoresistance



Parallel → low resistance Antiparallel → high resistance →Giant Magnetoresistance (GMR)

#### Spin plays an important role!



#### Discovery of giant magnetoresistance



#### 9 October 2007



The Discovery of Giant Magnetoresistance

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#### Newly discovered phenomena

	(year) $ ightarrow$ demonstrated by experimentally
Fundamental mechanism	phenomena
Spin dependent scattering	→ Nobel prize in physics 2007
Spin dependent diffusion	Spin pumping effect (2002)
Spin dependent thermal conductivity	Spin seebeck effect (2008), Magnon Hall effect (2010)
Spin orbit interaction	Spin Hall effect (2004), Rashba effect
s-d exchange interaction	Spin transfer torque (2000), Spin-flip in cold electron (2015)
Antisymmetric exchange interaction	Interfacial Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction (2013)
Spin rotation coupling	Spin hydrodynamic generation (2015)
Size effect in spin transport	Dimensional transition (2009)



#### Newly discovered phenomena





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**Brief introduction** 

**Spintronics** 

#### Spin dynamics (domain wall dynamics)

By magnetic field By spin transfer toque By spin orbit torque

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Spin dynamics induced by magnetic field

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial t} = -|\gamma| \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{H}_{eff} || + \frac{\alpha}{M_s} \mathbf{M} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial t}$$
Precession
$$\mathbf{M} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} [\vec{m}, \mathbf{H}]$$

$$\mathbf{H} = -\vec{m} \cdot \vec{H}_{eff}, \quad \vec{H}_{eff} = -\frac{\delta E(m)}{\delta m}, \quad \vec{m} = \gamma \vec{S}$$
from
$$[S_i, S_j] = i\hbar S_k$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{m} = -\gamma \vec{m} \times \vec{H}_{eff}$$



#### Domain wall dynamics induced by magnetic field





Spin dynamics induced by spin transfer torque



- Spin torque > Damping torque → Switching
- Spin torque ~ Damping torque → Stationary Precession



#### Spin dynamics induced by spin transfer torque





#### Domain wall dynamics induced by spin transfer torque



<u>KJK</u> et al. IEEETM (2009) <u>KJK</u> et al. APEX (2010) KJK et al. PRL (2010)



#### Spin dynamics induced by spin orbit torque

Moving electron under electric field feels effective magnetic field!



 $H \propto \vec{s} \cdot \left( \vec{p} \times \nabla \phi(\vec{r}) \right)$ *H*<sub>eff</sub>



#### Spin dynamics induced by spin orbit torque



Charge current (Jc) is converted to spin current (Js)

 $\frac{J_s}{J_c} = \theta_{SH} \frac{\hbar/2}{-e}$   $\theta_{SH}$ : Spin Hall angle



Kato et al. Science (2004)



#### Domain wall dynamics induced by spin orbit torque

Spin current injection by spin Hall effect



$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial t} = -\left|\gamma\right| \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{H}_{eff} + \frac{\alpha}{M_{s}} \mathbf{M} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial t} + \frac{\alpha_{sHE}}{M_{s}} \mathbf{M} \times (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \mathbf{M})$$

Spin Hall torque



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#### Time scale in spin dynamics





#### What I have done so far...







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#### Topological spin objects



These non-uniform magnetic configurations are protected topologically.  $\rightarrow$  Extraordinary stability  $\rightarrow$  memory devices



#### Is magnetic domain wall a topological object?



Magnetic soliton

Four-fold degeneracy Up  $\rightarrow$  Down and Down  $\rightarrow$  Up x Left-handed and right-handed helicity



Magnetic domain-wall

- If precessional motion occurs,  $\rightarrow$  helicity is changed
- → DW motion is generally not a topologically protected in the presence of a external field because the DW can be deformed by finite energy.



#### Magnetic domain wall dynamics in one dimension



#### **Precessional regime**

$$v = \gamma \Delta \frac{\alpha}{1 + \alpha^2} H$$

Steady regime

Walker breakdown field

$$v = \frac{\gamma \Delta}{\alpha} H$$

$$H_{W} = 2\pi\alpha M_{S} \left| N_{y} - N_{x} \right|$$



#### Magnetic domain wall dynamics in two dimension



#### **Precessional regime**

$$v = \gamma \Delta \frac{\alpha}{1 + \alpha^2} H$$



Precession  $\rightarrow$  Evolution of vertical Bloch lines





#### Interfacial Dzyaloshinskii–Moriya interaction (DMI)



#### S. Emori, et al., Nat. Mater. (2013)

Second order exchange interaction

K. S. Ryu et al., Nat. Nanotech. (2013)



#### Magnetic domain wall dynamics under DMI





#### Two controlled samples



#### Experimental results





#### Compare to the theory



- Theoretical model cannot explain the experimental results.
- DMI enhances the DW velocity in the precessional regime!



#### Compare to the simulation





#### Topological characteristics of vertical Bloch lines (VBLs)

Q = +1, C = +1/2 Q = +1, C = -1/2 Q = -1, C = +1/2 Q = -1, C = -1/2







Four-fold degeneracy Charge Q x chirality C



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#### Topological characteristics of vertical Bloch lines (VBLs)



Four-fold degeneracy Charge Q x chirality C

 $\sum_{i} Q_{i}$  Total charge  $\square$  Topological charge of DW  $\sum_{i} C_{i}$  Total chiraltiy  $\square$  Topological winding number of DW

Topological constraint



#### Topological characteristics of vertical Bloch lines (VBLs)





#### Topological characteristics of VBL under DMI



#### Topological characteristics of VBL under DMI





#### Energy splitting generates velocity difference



#### Unidirectional collision of VBLs





#### Locking of the azimuthal angle of DW under DMI



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#### Soliton-like DW motion even above the Walker field







#### Class of magnet



#### Ferromagnet



#### Antiferromagnet



#### Ferrimagnet

Microscopically antiferromagnet Macroscopically ferromagnet

Possible to control by magnetic field



#### Transition Metal-Rare Earth ferrimagnet









Radu et al. Nature. **472**, 205 (2011) C.E.Graves et al. Nat. Mater. **12**, 293 (2013)



#### $\bullet$ $T_{\rm M}$ of ferrimagnet



#### $T_{\rm M}$ : Magnetization compensation temperature



#### \* Another compensation temperature: $T_A$





#### \* Previous studies on $T_A$





#### • Previous studies on $T_A$



C. D. Stanciu et al. PRB 73, 220402(R) (2006)



#### ✤ Let's check it!



SiN (5 nm) GdFeCo (30 nm) SiN (5 nm)

#### <u>Films (Tsukamoto group @ Nihon University)</u> <u>Patterning and measurement (Ono group @ Kyoto University)</u>



#### How the measure?

Real-time DW detection technique

 $\rightarrow$  Direct detection of DW using Oscilloscope



#### Remove the rising time of magnetic field



Monitoring signal

#### • Why the DW velocity is enhanced at $T_A$ ?





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Micromagnetic simulation reproduces the exp. result.

By S.-H. Oh, K-J Lee Korea University









#### Applied physics?



#### Next generation magnetic memory







#### Summary





Future plan





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