

# Spin-mechatronics: spin current generation by mechanical motion

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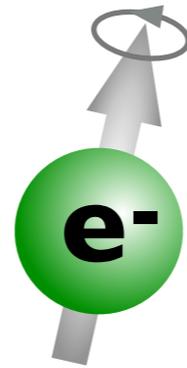


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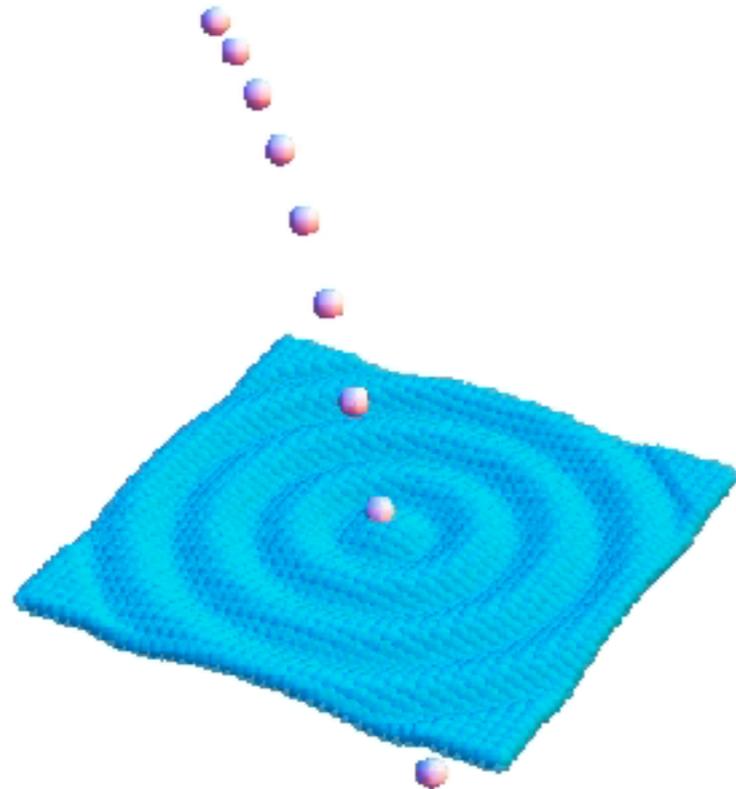


# “Spin-mechatronics”

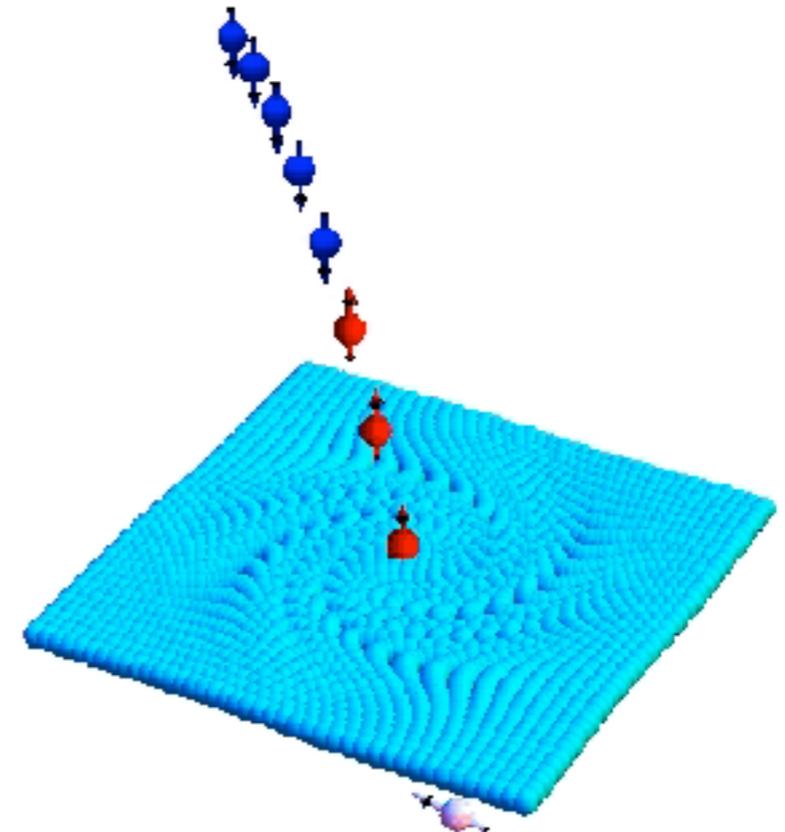
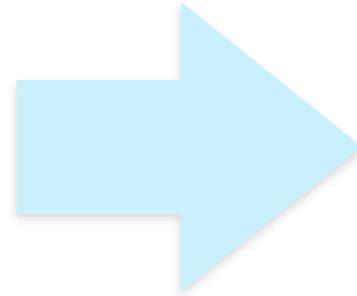
Charge



Spin



Charge current & mechanical motion



Spin current & mechanical motion

Observation of spin-current generation by

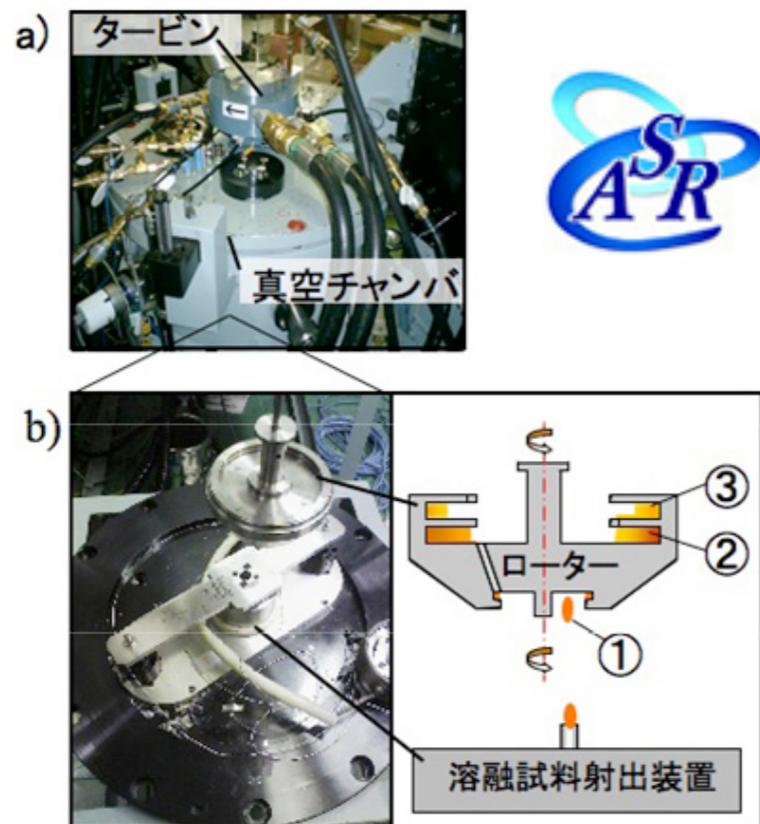
- Liquid metal motion in Hg (R.Takahashi, MM et al., Nat. Phys. 2016)
- Surface acoustic wave in Cu (D.Kobayashi, MM et al., PRL 2017 )

# Spin-mechatronics project since 2010

2010.4 From IMR-Tohoku Univ. to ASRC- JAEA

Ultra high-speed rotor  
in ASRC: Centrifuge of isotopes

⇒ Explore interconversion between spin and  
mechanical rotation ?



Prof. Maekawa  
ASRC, Director General

“Reconsider Einstein-de Haas/Barnett effect  
in terms of spin current  
after an interval of one century.”

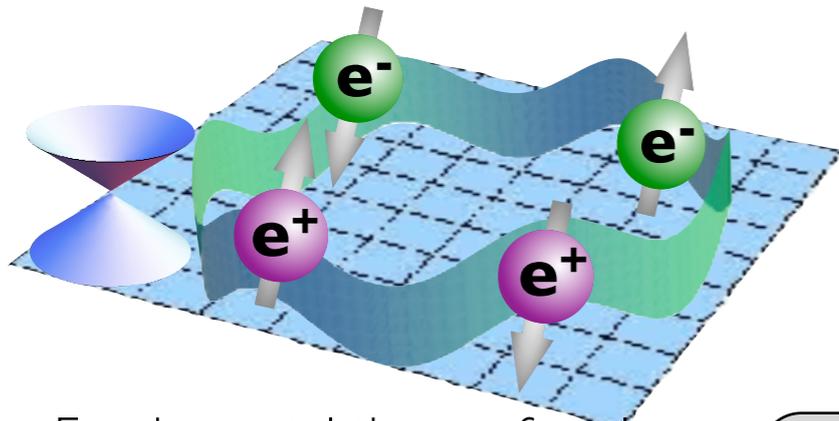


Prof. Saitoh  
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“Spin-mechatronics group” in ASRC

“**Spin current physics in non-inertial frames!**  
But, what is the Hamiltonian?”

# Electron in non-inertial frames

Special Relativistic Dirac equation

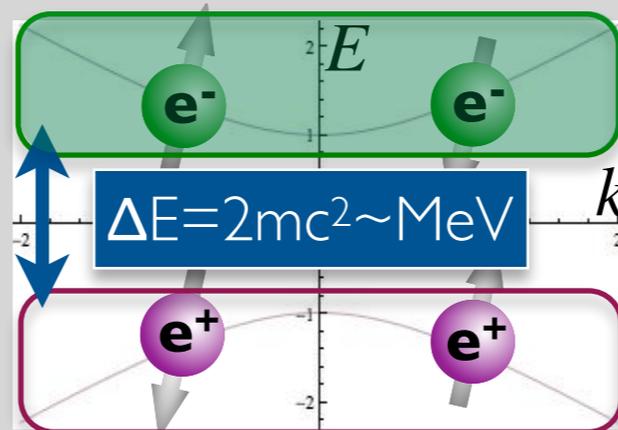


Fundamental theory for electron in inertial frames

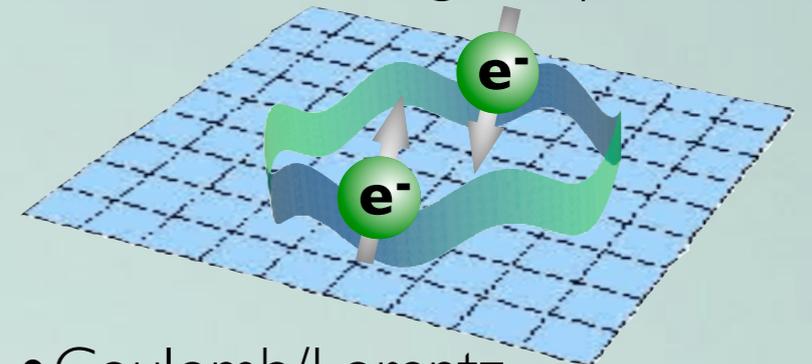
spin-1/2 electron/positron

Low energy limit

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{e,\uparrow} \\ \psi_{e,\downarrow} \\ \psi_{\bar{e},\downarrow} \\ \psi_{\bar{e},\uparrow} \end{pmatrix}$$



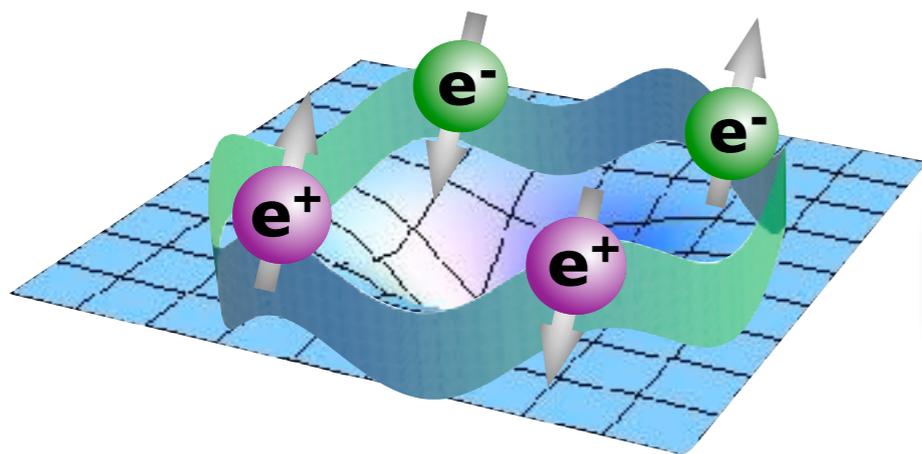
Pauli-Schrödinger equation



- Coulomb/Lorentz
- **Zeeman** (Spin precession)
- **Spin-Orbit** (Spin Hall)

spin-1/2 electron

General Relativistic Dirac equation

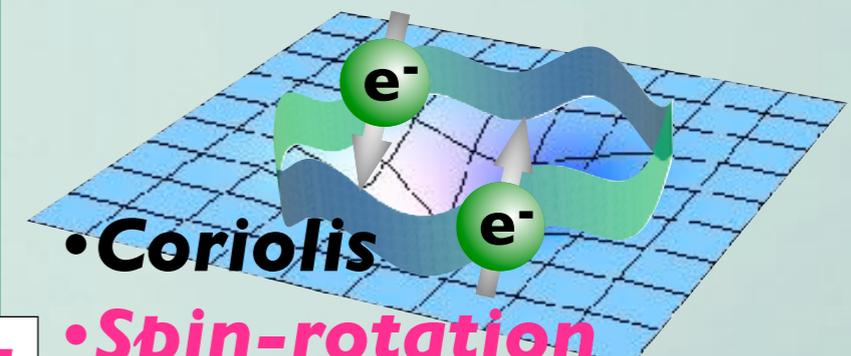


Fundamental theory for electron in **non-inertial** frames

Low energy limit

**MM et al., PRL2011**

Pauli-Schrödinger equation in accelerating systems



- **Coriolis**
- **Spin-rotation**
- **Mechanical SOC**

Gyromagnetic effect

Spin current generation by rigid, elastic, and fluid motion

# Magnetism and rotation



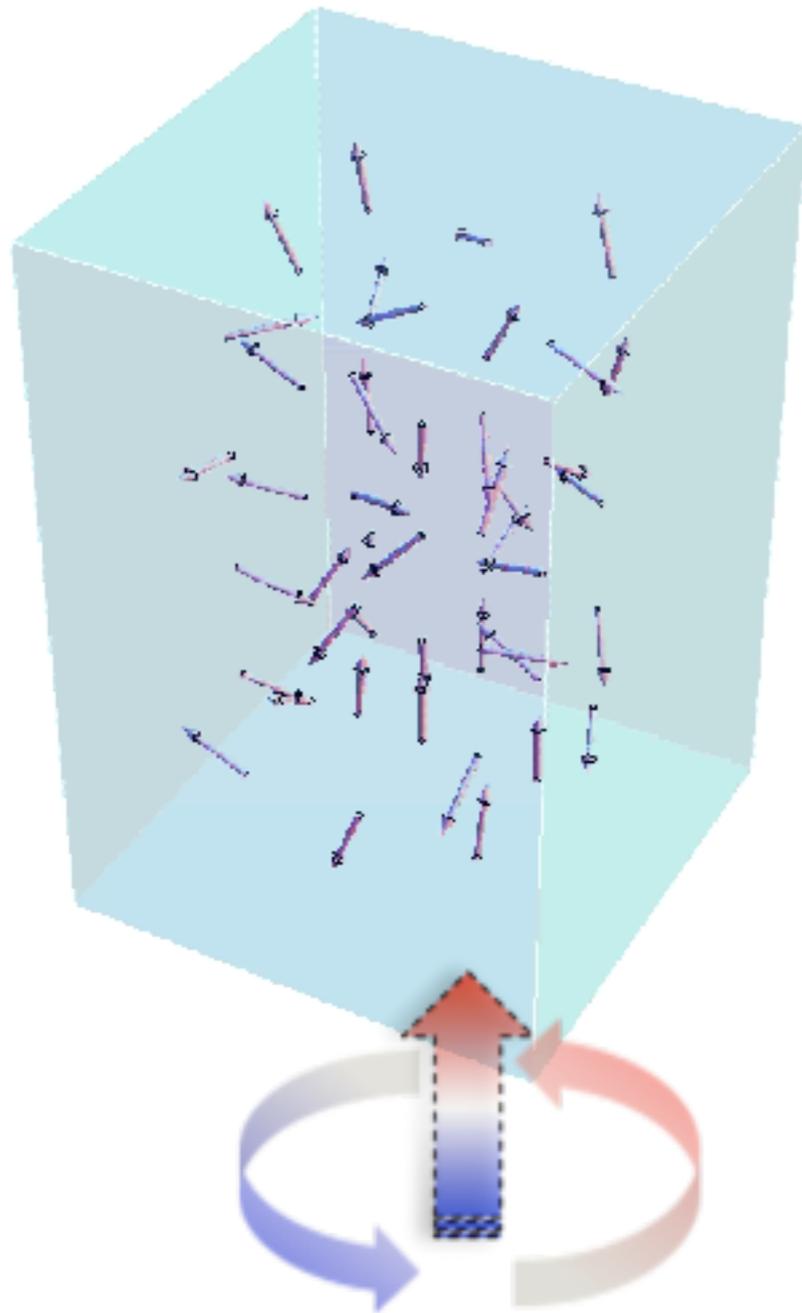
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Taken from  
Scientific American

# Magnetization by rotation: Barnett effect (1915)

$$H_{\text{Spin-rotation}} = -S \cdot \Omega$$

$$H_{\text{Cor}} = -L \cdot \Omega$$



Rotation = "Magnetic field"



By Dr. Chudo

$$H_{\text{Zeeman}} = -S \cdot \gamma B$$

$$\downarrow B_{\Omega} = \frac{\Omega}{\gamma} \left[ \gamma = \frac{e}{m} : \text{gyromagnetic ratio} \right]$$

$$H_{\text{Spin-rotation}} = -S \cdot \Omega$$

# How to detect? Rotation at 10kHz

## Rotation as gravity

**0.4 million G !!**  
(@ 1 mm from rotation axis )

gravity on white dwarf star  
**0.1 million G**

$$r\Omega^2 = 1\text{mm} \times (2\pi \times 10^4 \text{s}^{-1})^2 = 4 \times 10^6 \text{m/s}^2 \sim 0.4 \times 10^6 \text{G}$$

## Rotation as magnetic field

Gyromagnetic ratio of electron:  
1T~30GHz  
10kHz → **0.3μT**

Geomagnetism in Tokyo  
46 ± 0.05 μT

$$B = \Omega / \gamma_e, \quad \gamma_e = \frac{e}{m} = 1.76 \times 10^{11} \text{rad} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \cdot \text{T}^{-1}$$

Challenge: How to use mechanical rotation to manipulate spins?

# Observation of spin-rotation coupling

- Ferromagnets: Barnett's original exp. (1915)

$$H_{\text{Spin-rotation}} = -\mathcal{S} \cdot \Omega$$

Theoretical predictions:

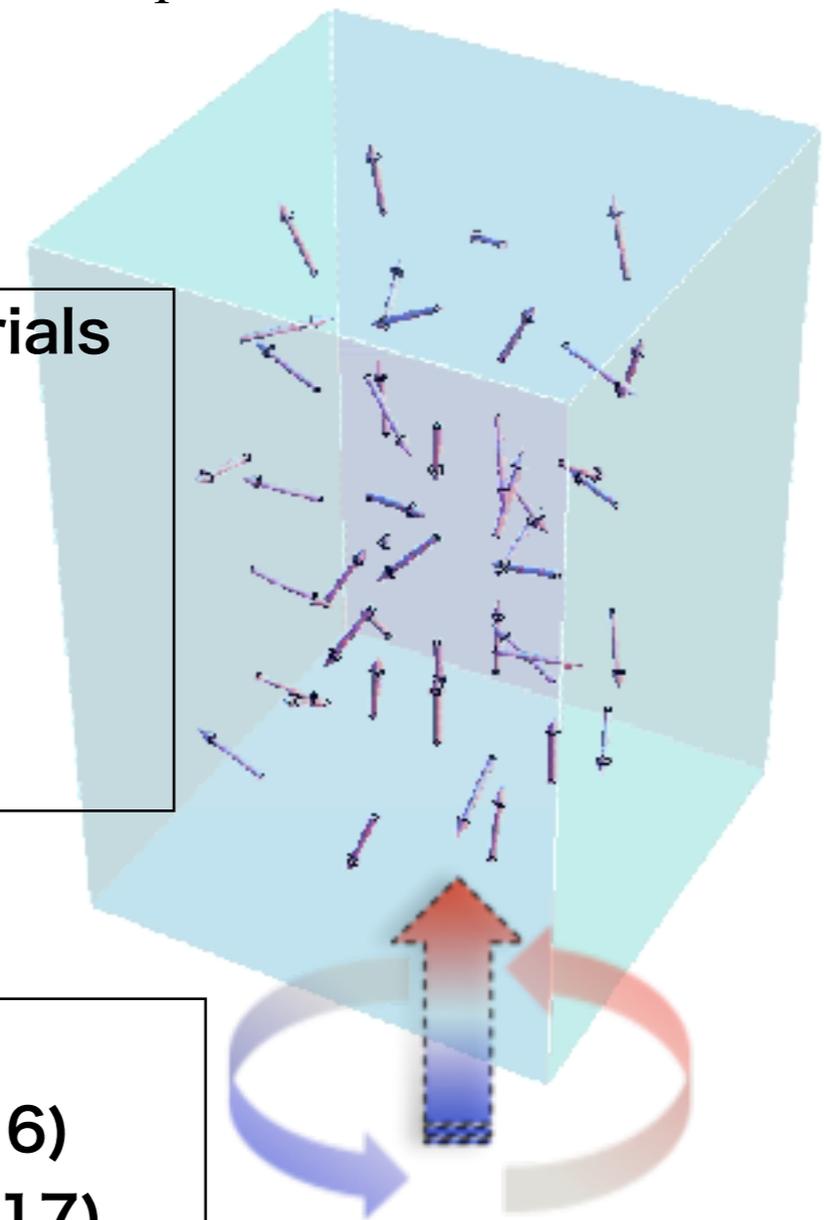
- MM et al., PRL(2011), ...

Spin-rotation coupling arise universally in rotating materials

- Paramagnetic states (Gd, Tb, Dy):  
Ono & MM et al., PRB(2015),  
Ogata, MM et al., APL(2017); JMMM(2017)
- Nuclear spin:  
Chudo & MM et al., APEX(2014), JPSJ(2015)

Spin-current generation by SRC

- Liquid metal flow: Takahashi & MM et al, Nat.Phys.(2016)
- Surface acoustic wave: Kobayashi & MM et al., PRL(2017)



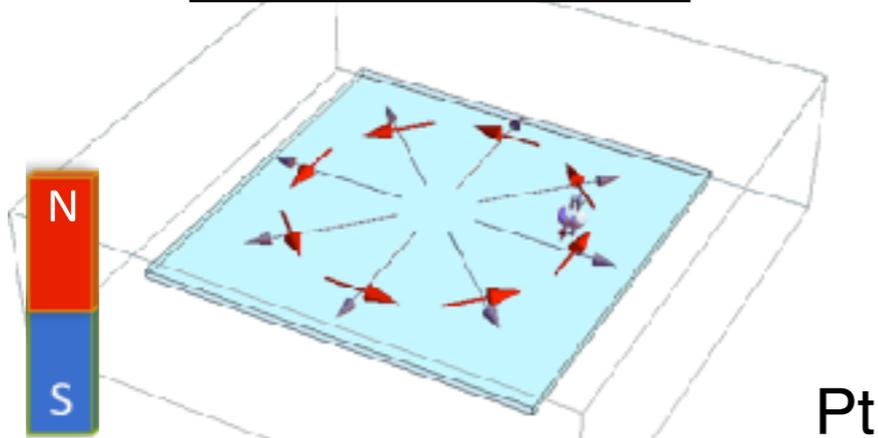
Gyromagnetic effect

Spin current generation by rigid, elastic, and fluid motion

# Mechanical generation of spin current

Mechanical  
Spin-Orbit

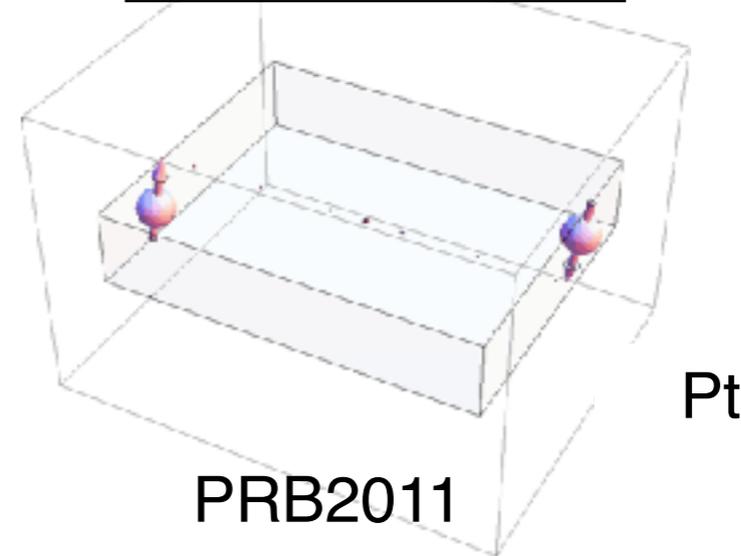
Rigid rotation



PRL2011, APL2011

Pt

Rigid vibration

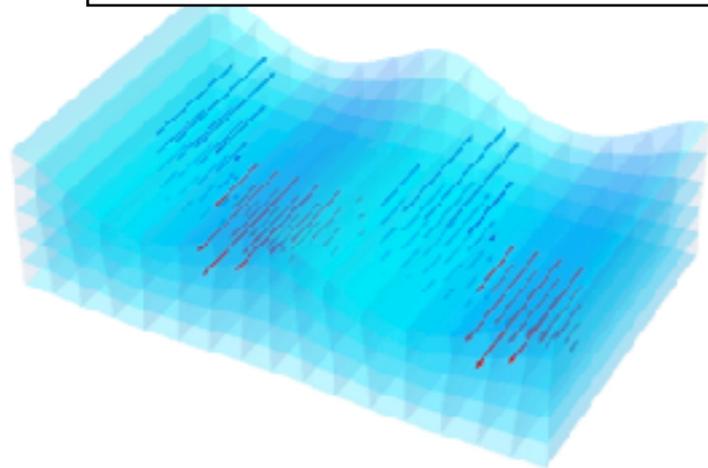


PRB2011

Pt

Spin-rotation

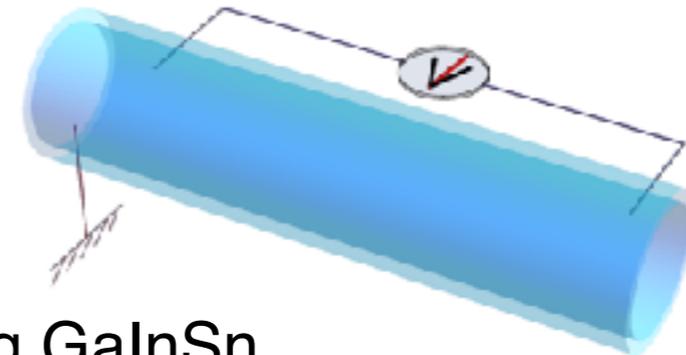
Surface acoustic wave



PRB(R)2013,2017; PRL2017

Cu

Fluid vorticity



Hg, GaInSn

Nature Phys. 2016

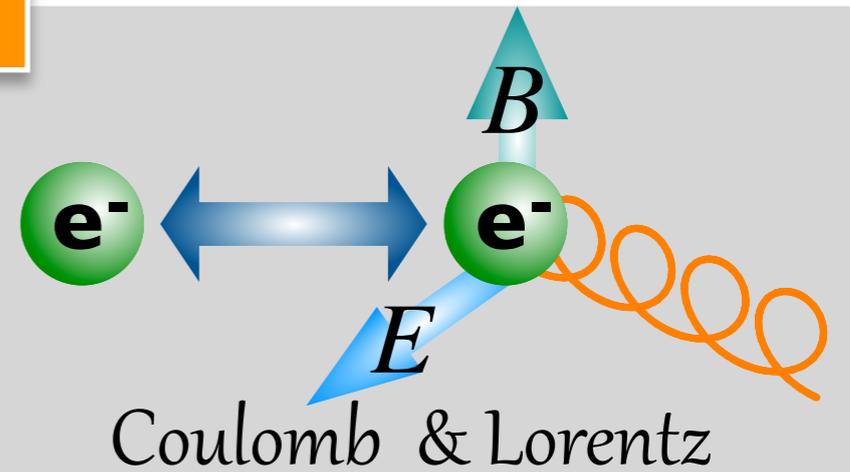
# Pauli-Schrödinger eq. in inertial frames

Low energy limit of Dirac eq. in inertial frames

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A})^2 + e\phi$$

Coulomb & Lorentz

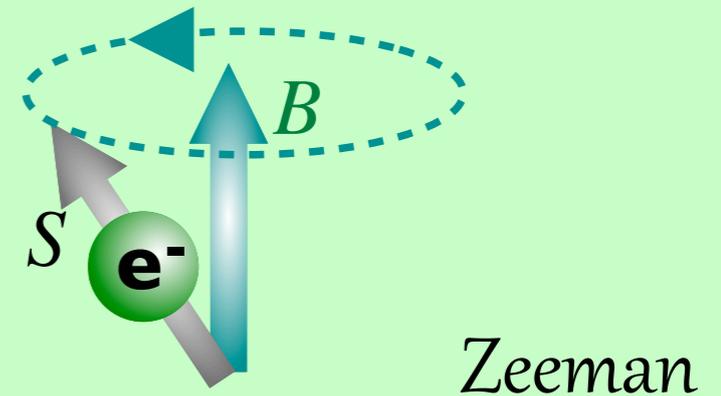
electric/magnetic field  
↓  
charge



$$-\mu_B \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

Zeeman

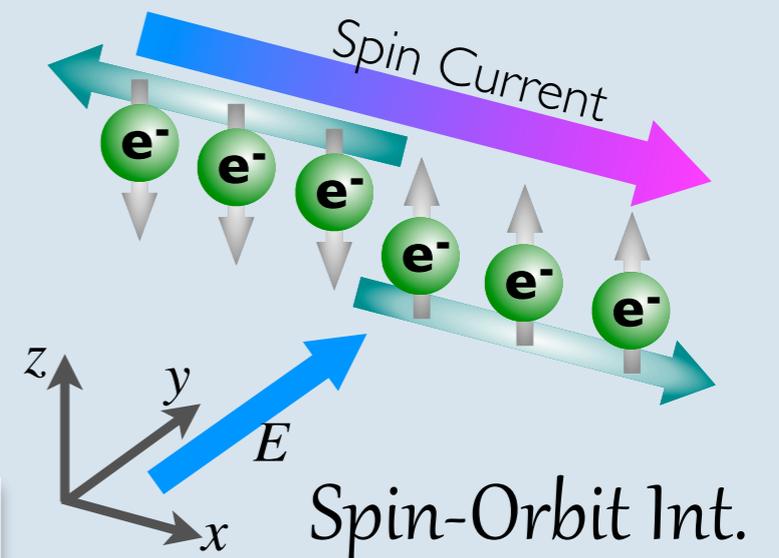
magnetic field  
↓  
spin



$$+\frac{\lambda}{\hbar} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot [(\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A}) \times (-e)\mathbf{E}]$$

Spin-Orbit Int.

electric field  
↓  
spin current

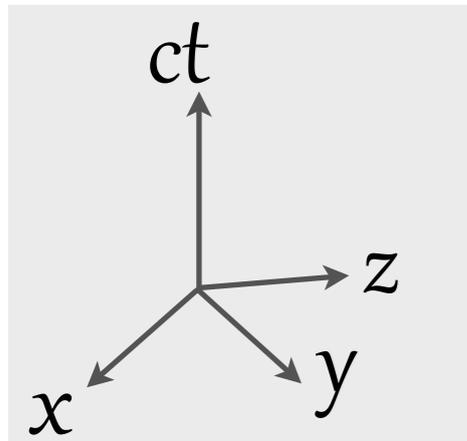


Low energy limit of Dirac eq. In non-inertial frames?

# Riemann-Cartan geometry (1922)

## Minkowski

Flat spacetime

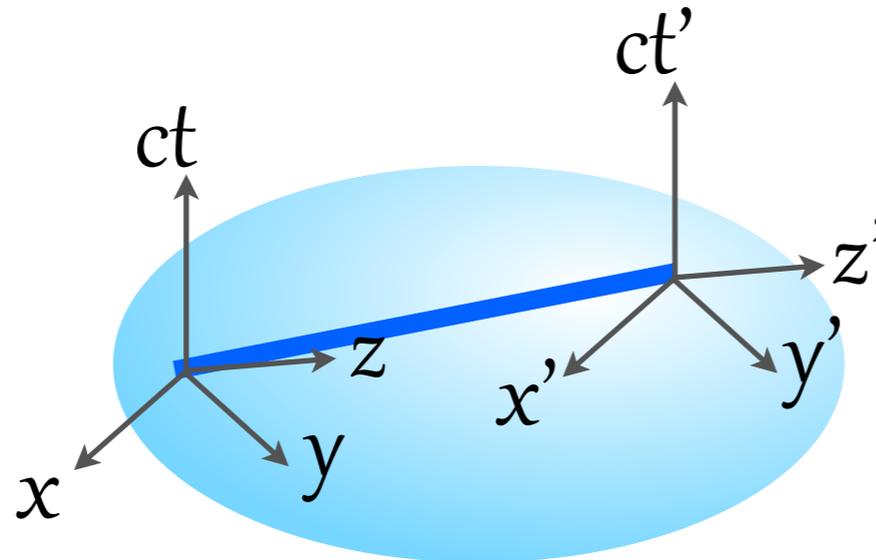


$$\eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(-+++)$$

Special Relativity(1905)

## Riemann

Curved spacetime



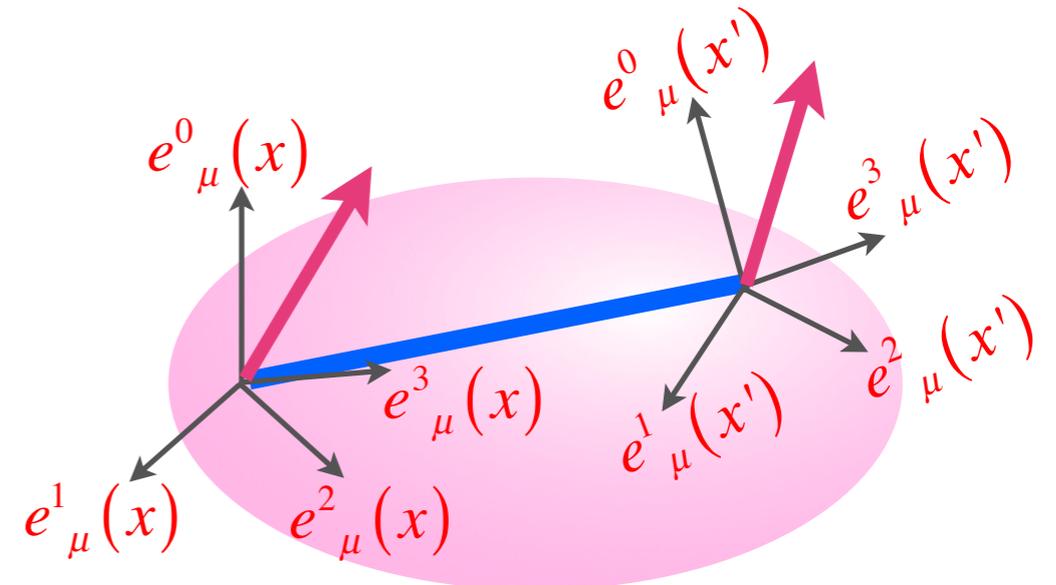
$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu}(x) dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

metric  
affine connection,  
curvature

General Relativity(1915)  
Gravity *w/o* spin & torsion

## Cartan (1922)

Curved spacetime w/ spin & torsion

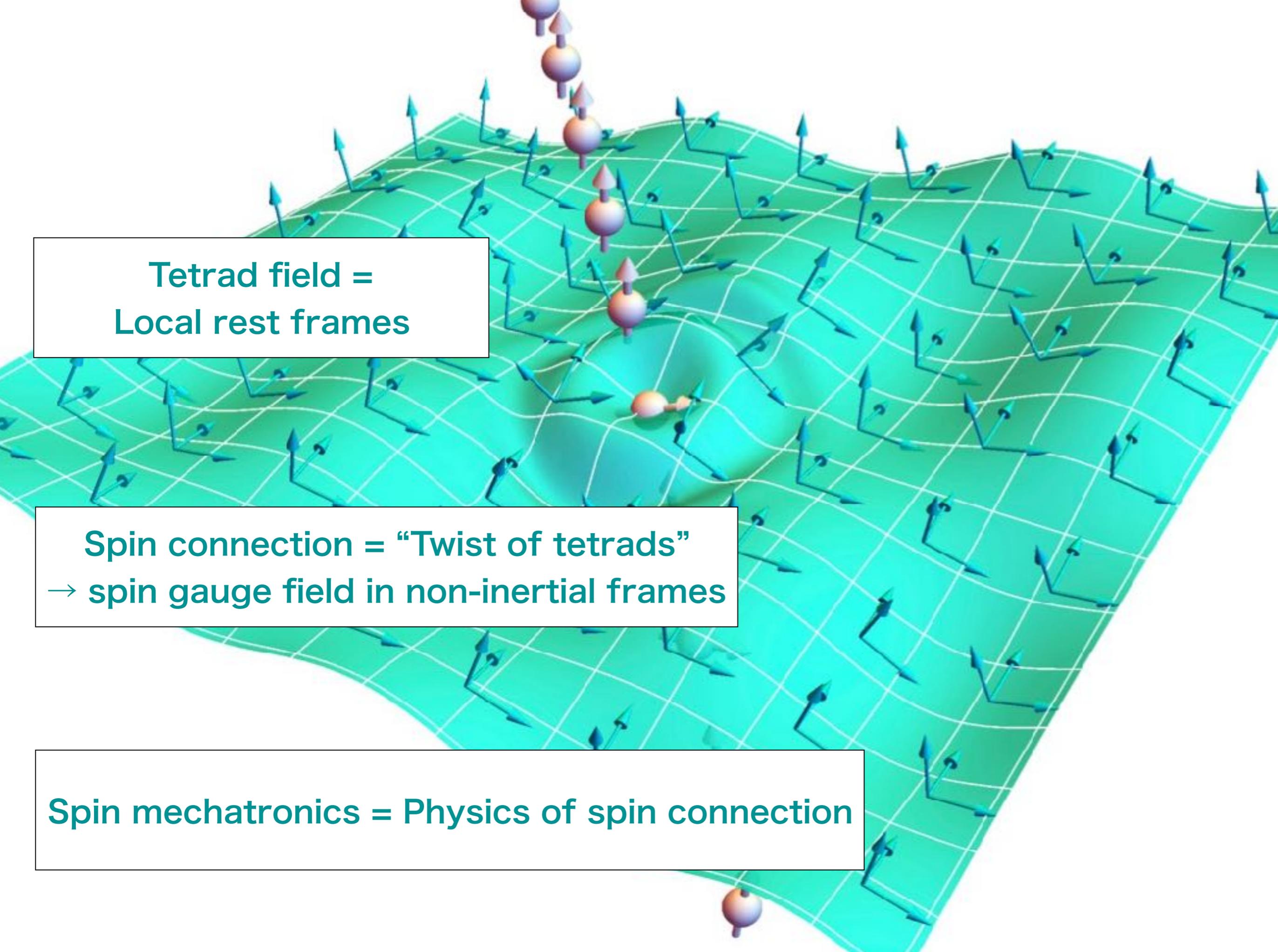


$$g_{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta_{ab} e^a{}_\mu(x) e^b{}_\nu(x) \left[ e_\mu(x) \sim \sqrt{g_{\mu\nu}(x)} \right]$$

tetrad field  
spin connection,  
curvature & torsion

Einstein-Cartan theory (1922)  
Gravity *w/* spin & torsion

Cf. Stern-Gerlach (1922)  
Pauli (1927)  
Dirac (1928)



**Tetrad field =  
Local rest frames**

**Spin connection = “Twist of tetrads”  
→ spin gauge field in non-inertial frames**

**Spin mechatronics = Physics of spin connection**

# Pauli-Schrödinger eq. in rotating frame

Low energy limit of Dirac eq. in rotating frame

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A})^2 + e\phi$$

Coulomb & Lorentz

$$-\mathbf{L} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}$$

Coriolis

electric/magnetic field + rotation  $\rightarrow$  charge

$$-\mu_B \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot (\mathbf{B} + (m/e)\boldsymbol{\Omega})$$

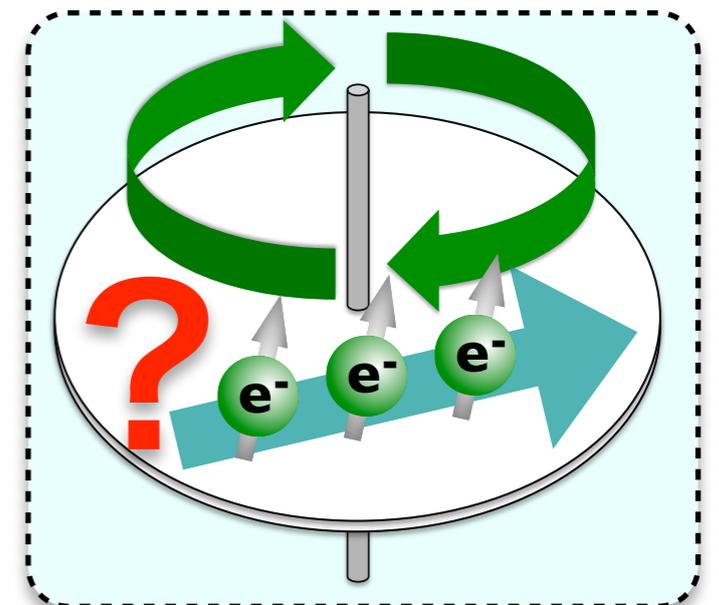
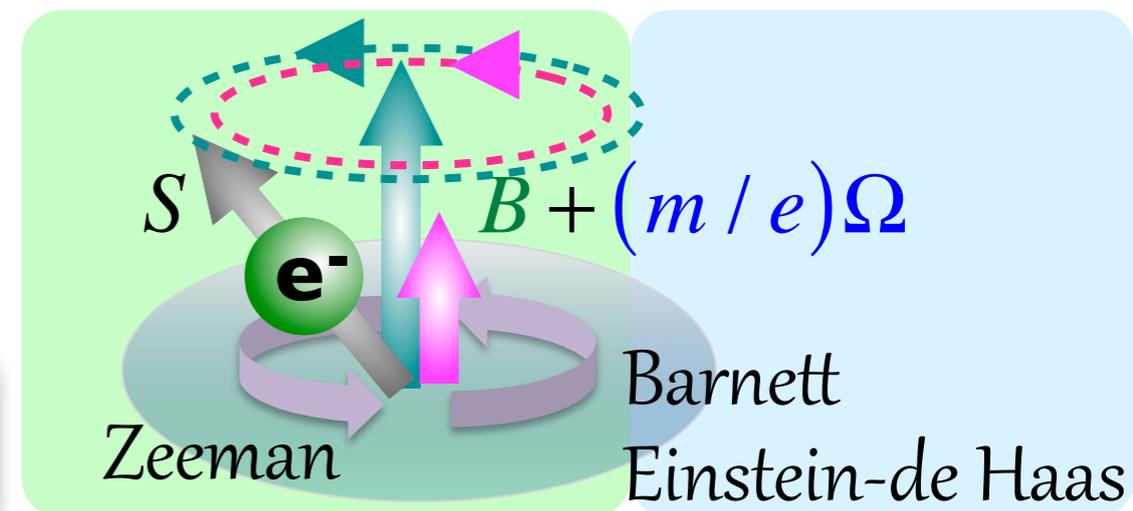
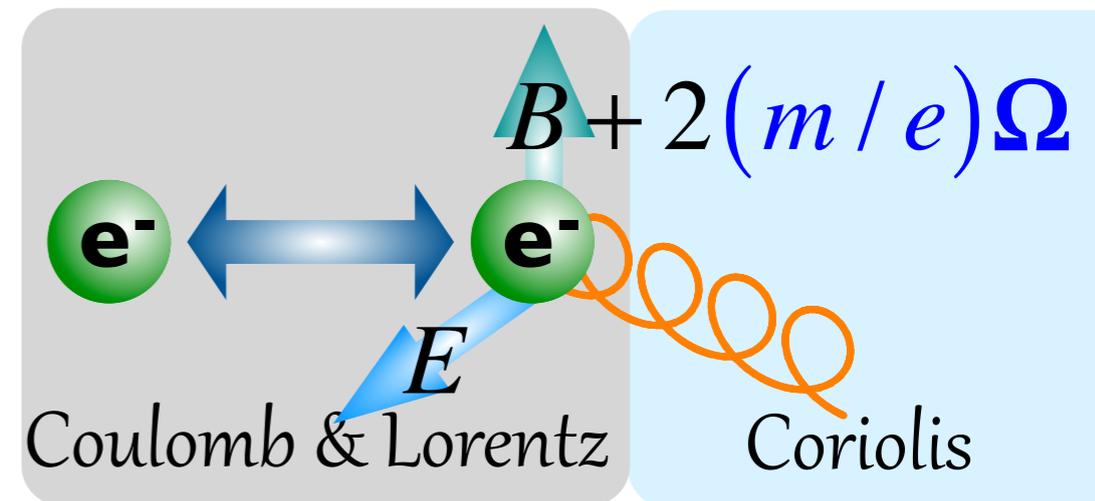
Zeeman Spin-rotation

magnetic field + rotation  $\rightarrow$  spin

$$+\frac{\lambda}{\hbar} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \left[ (\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A}) \times (-e)(\mathbf{E} + (\boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r}) \times \mathbf{B}) \right]$$

Spin Orbit Int. **NEW!**

electric field / magnetic field  $\times$  rotation  
 $\rightarrow$  spin current



# Mechanical Spin Hall Effect due to rotation

Mechanical Spin-Orbit Int.

$$+\frac{\bar{\lambda}}{\hbar} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \left[ (\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A}) \times (-e) \left( \mathbf{E} + (\boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r}) \times \mathbf{B} \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{v} - \frac{e\bar{\lambda}}{\hbar} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \left( \mathbf{E} + (\boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r}) \times \mathbf{B} \right)$$

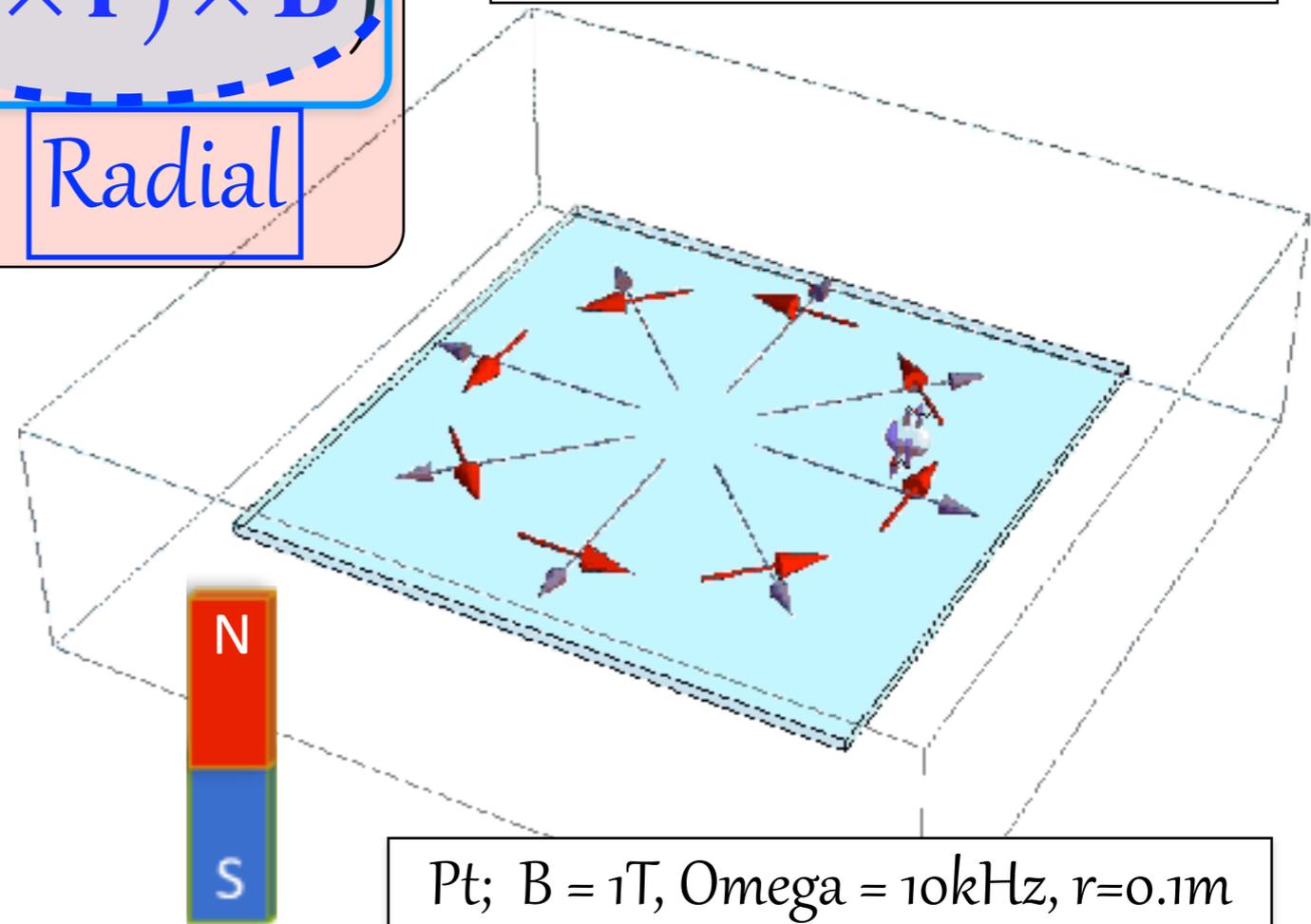
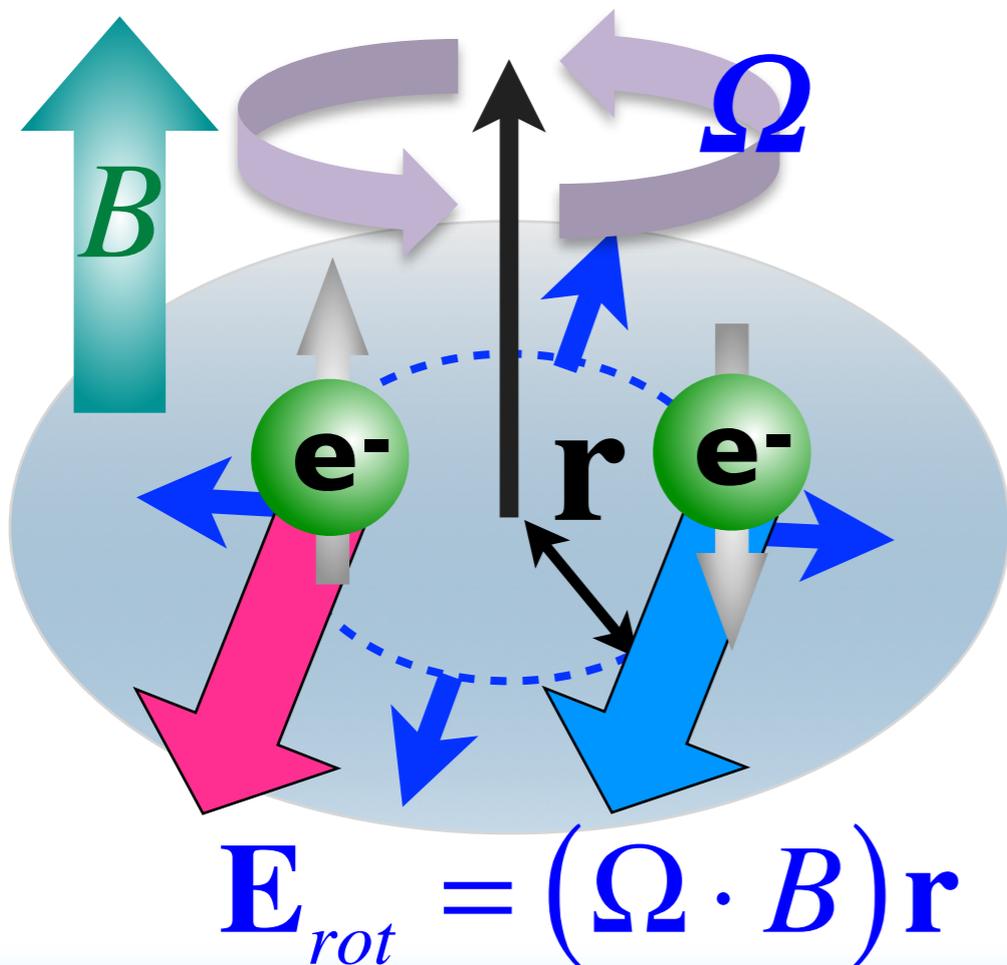
$\pm$ Azimuthal

$\pm z$

$\mathbf{E}_{rot}$

Radial

Spin current generated in azimuthal direction

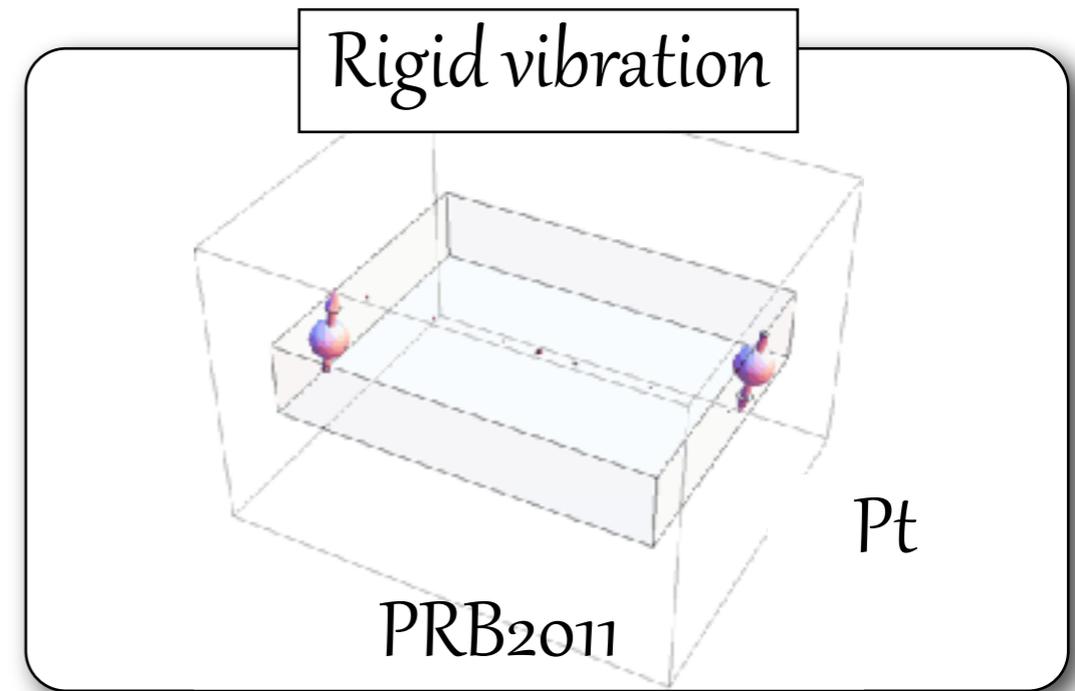
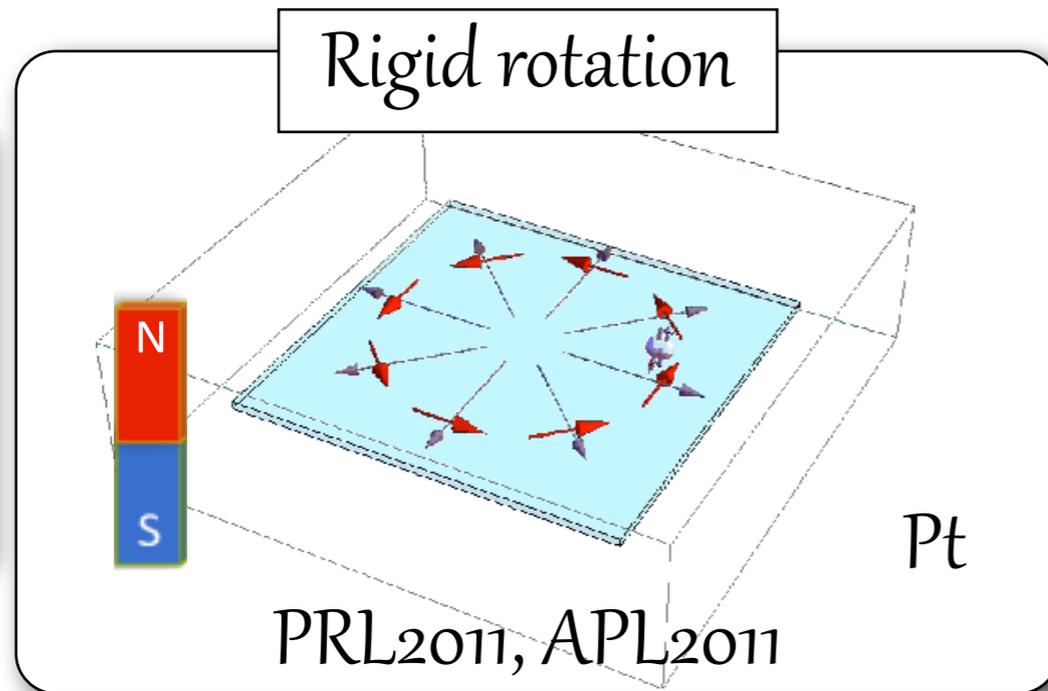


Pt;  $B = 1\text{T}$ ,  $\Omega = 10\text{kHz}$ ,  $r = 0.1\text{m}$   
 $\rightarrow$  Spin current  $10^8\text{A/m}^2$

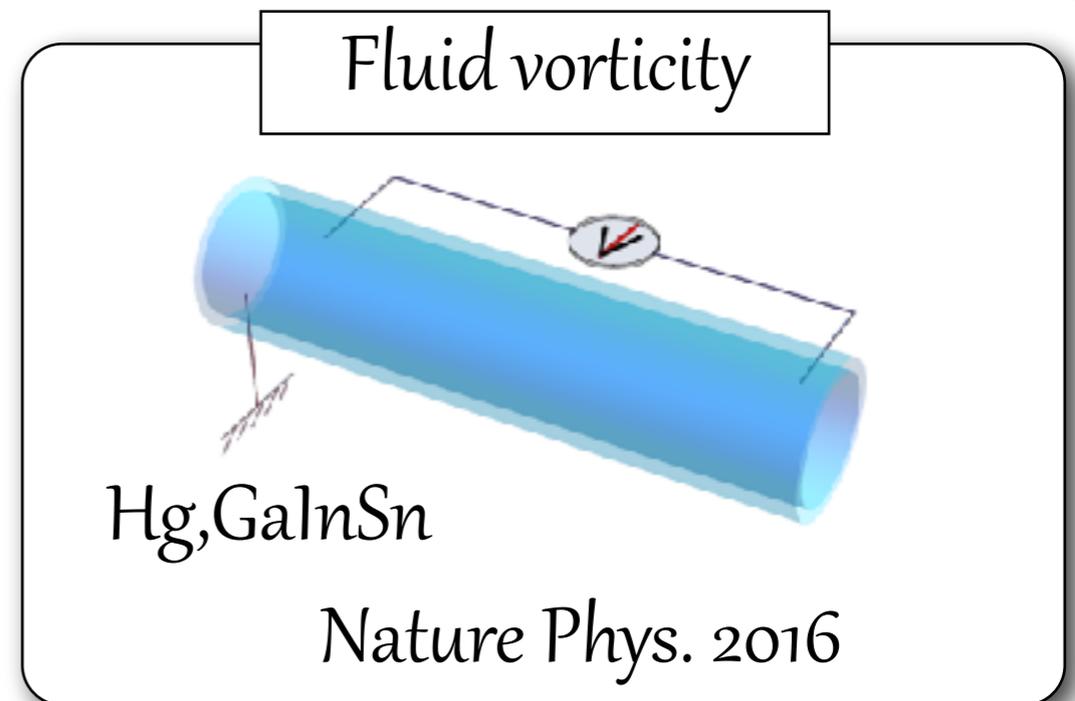
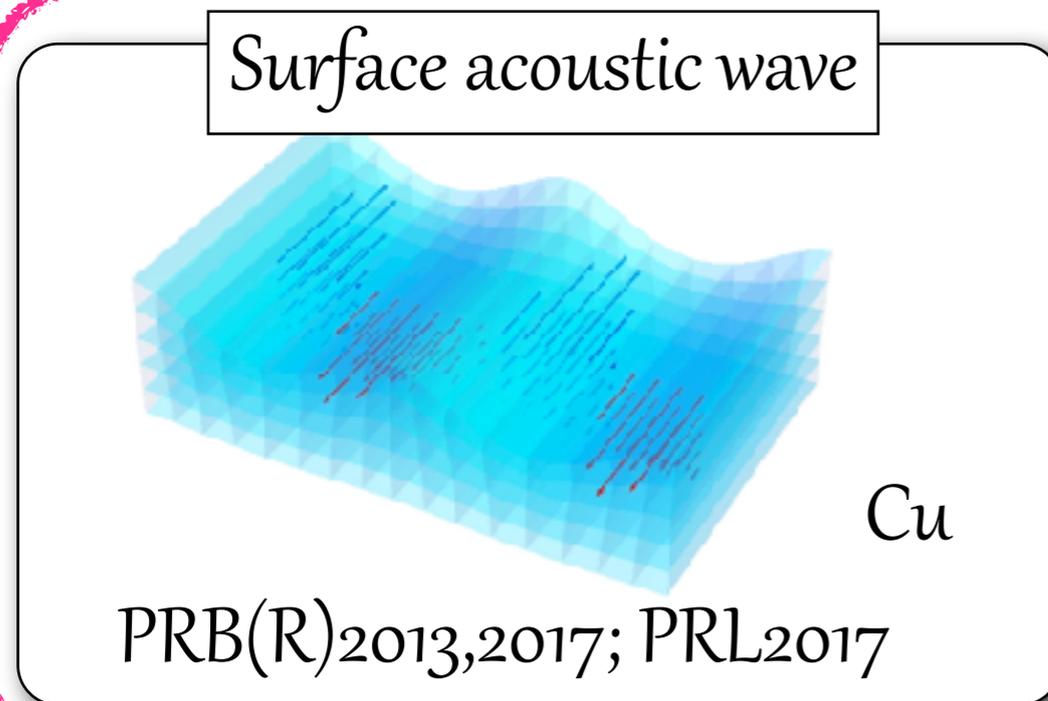
MM et al., PRL 106, 076601(2011)

# Mechanical generation of spin current

Mechanical Spin-Orbit



Spin-rotation



# Mechanical analogue of Stern-Gerlach effect

$$H_{\text{Zeeman}} = -S \cdot \gamma B$$

$$\Rightarrow F = -\nabla H_{\text{Zeeman}} = S \cdot \nabla(\gamma B)$$

Spin current is generated  
**along gradient of mag. field.**

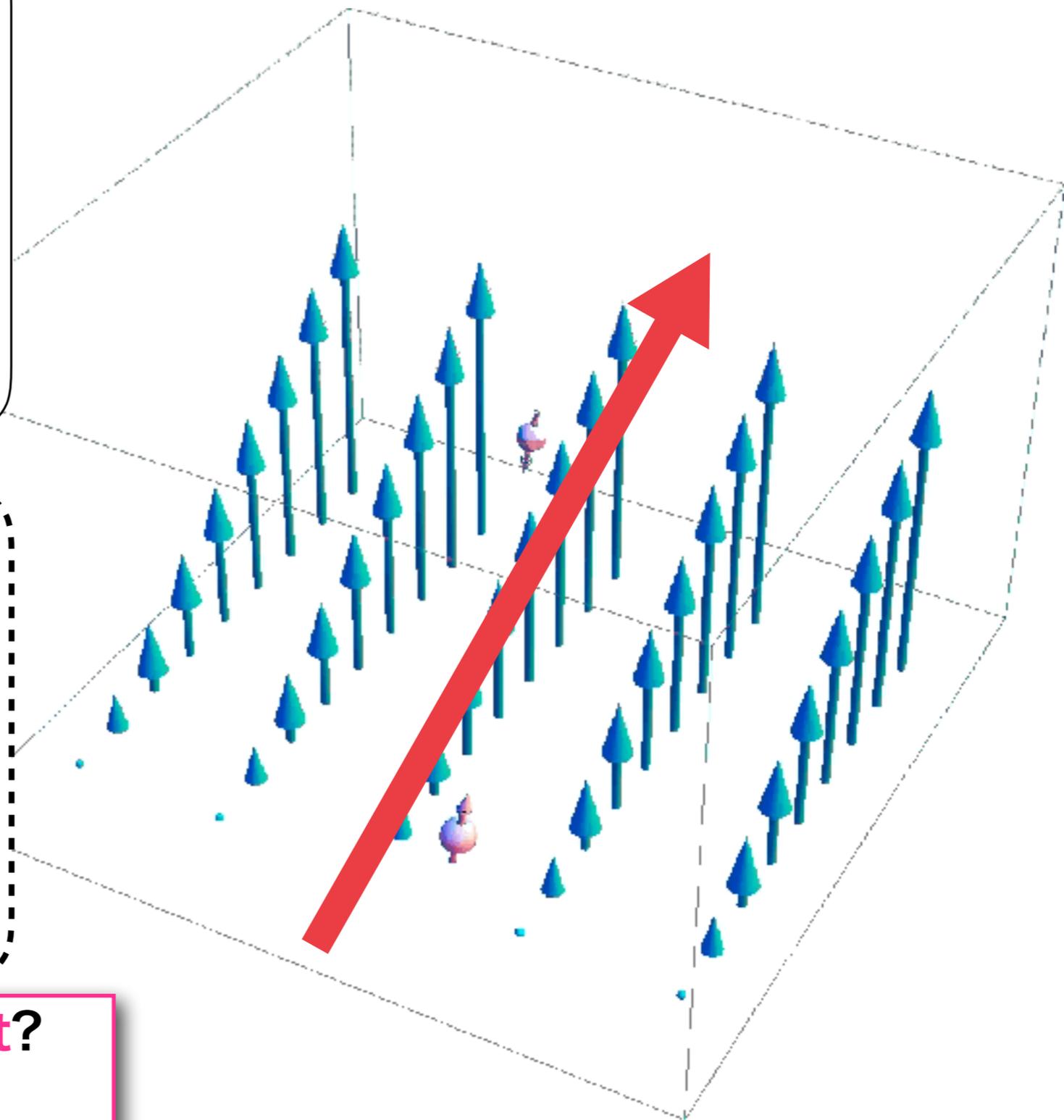
$$H_{\text{Spin-rotation}} = -S \cdot \Omega$$

$$\Rightarrow F = -\nabla H_{\text{Spin-rotation}} = S \cdot \nabla \Omega$$

Spin current is generated  
**along rotation-gradient.**

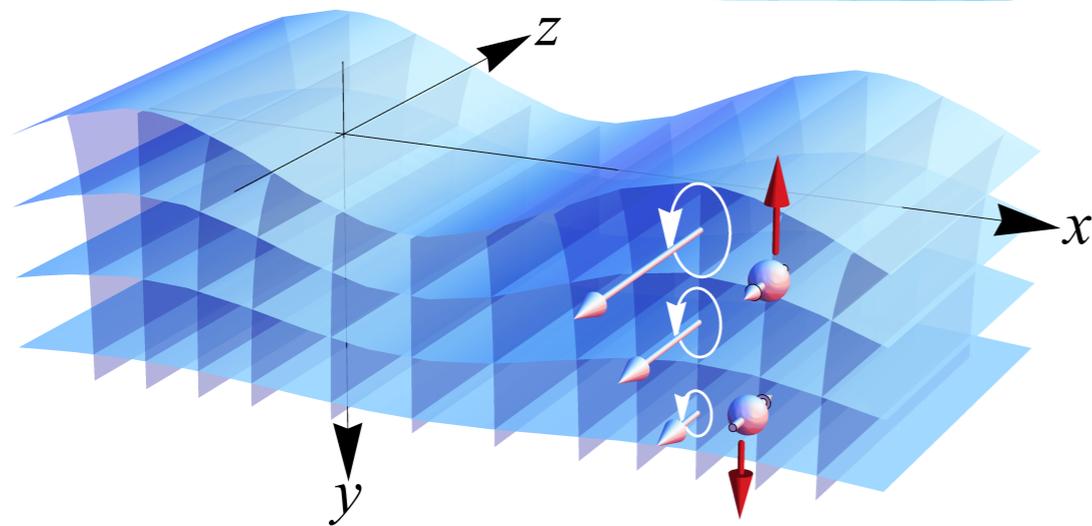
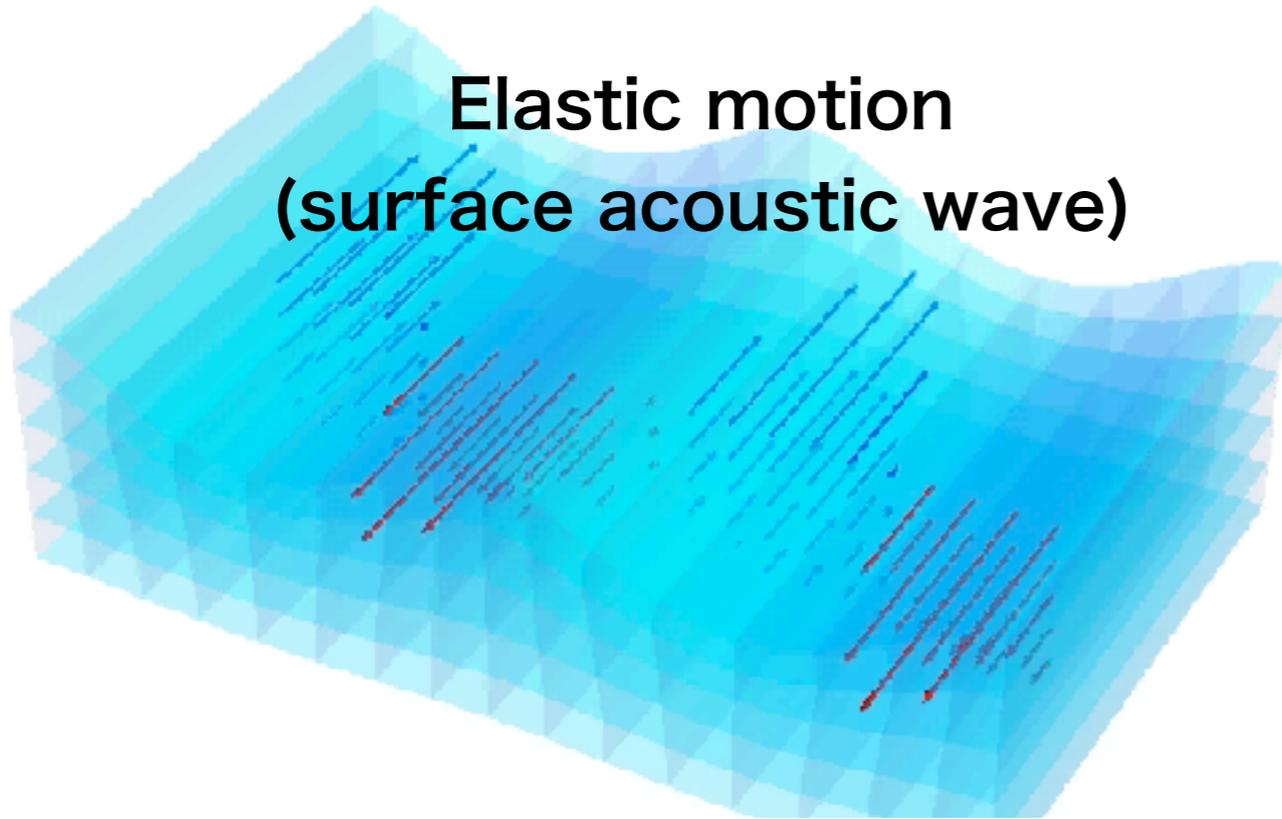
How to create **rotation-gradient**?

- 1. Surface acoustic wave,
- 2. Fluid motion of liquid metal !!



# Spin current by vorticity gradient

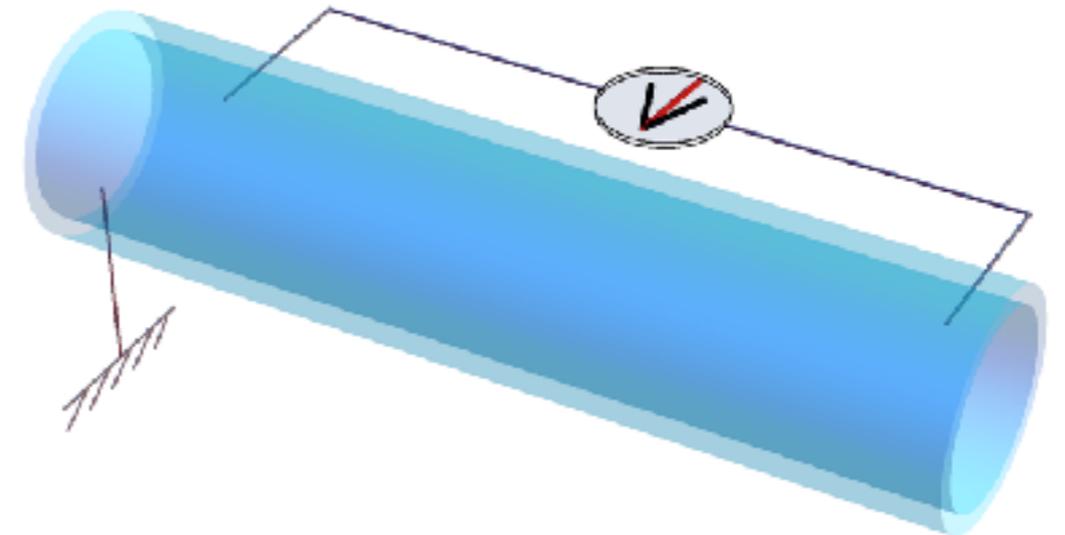
**Elastic motion  
(surface acoustic wave)**



MM et al., PRB(R)2013

Kobayashi, MM et al.,  
PRL2017 (Editors' Suggestion)

**Fluid motion**

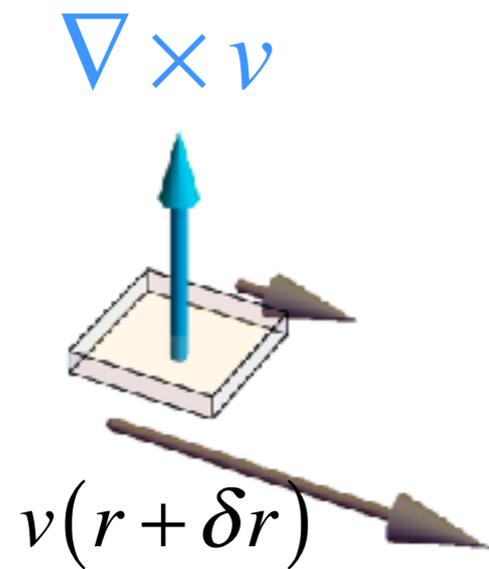


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Nature Physics 2016  
MM et al., PRB(R)2017

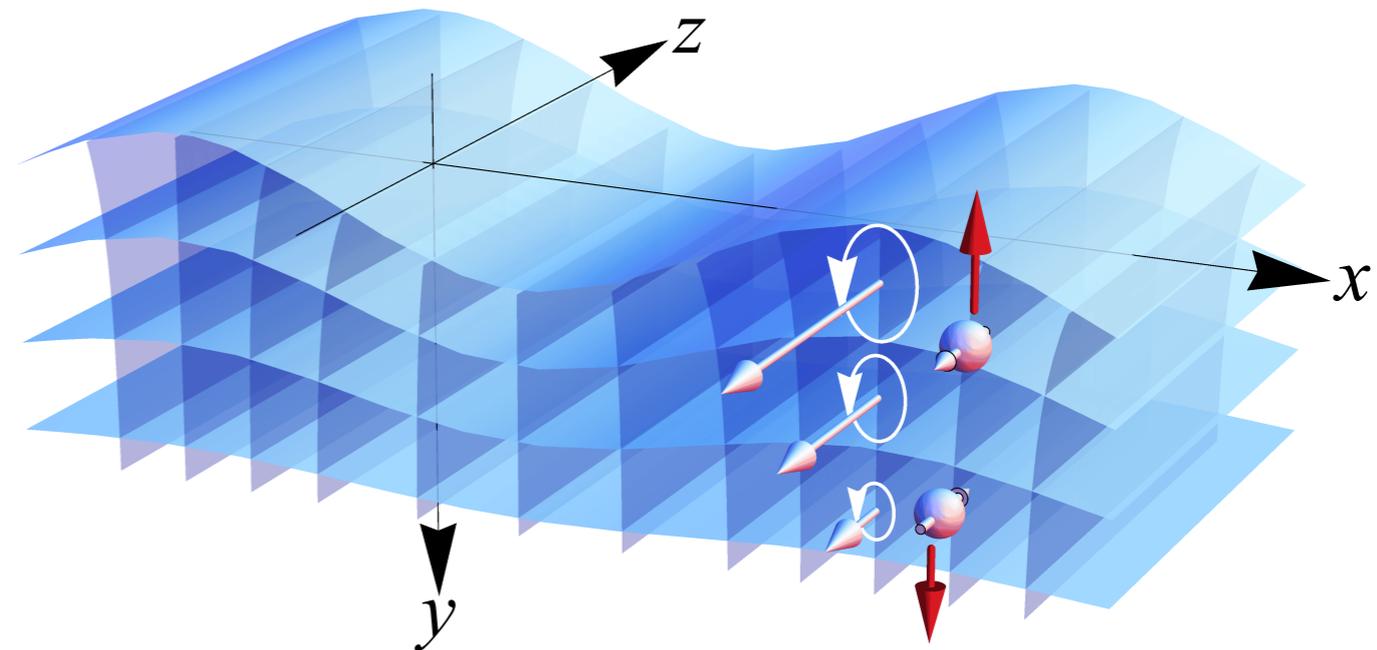
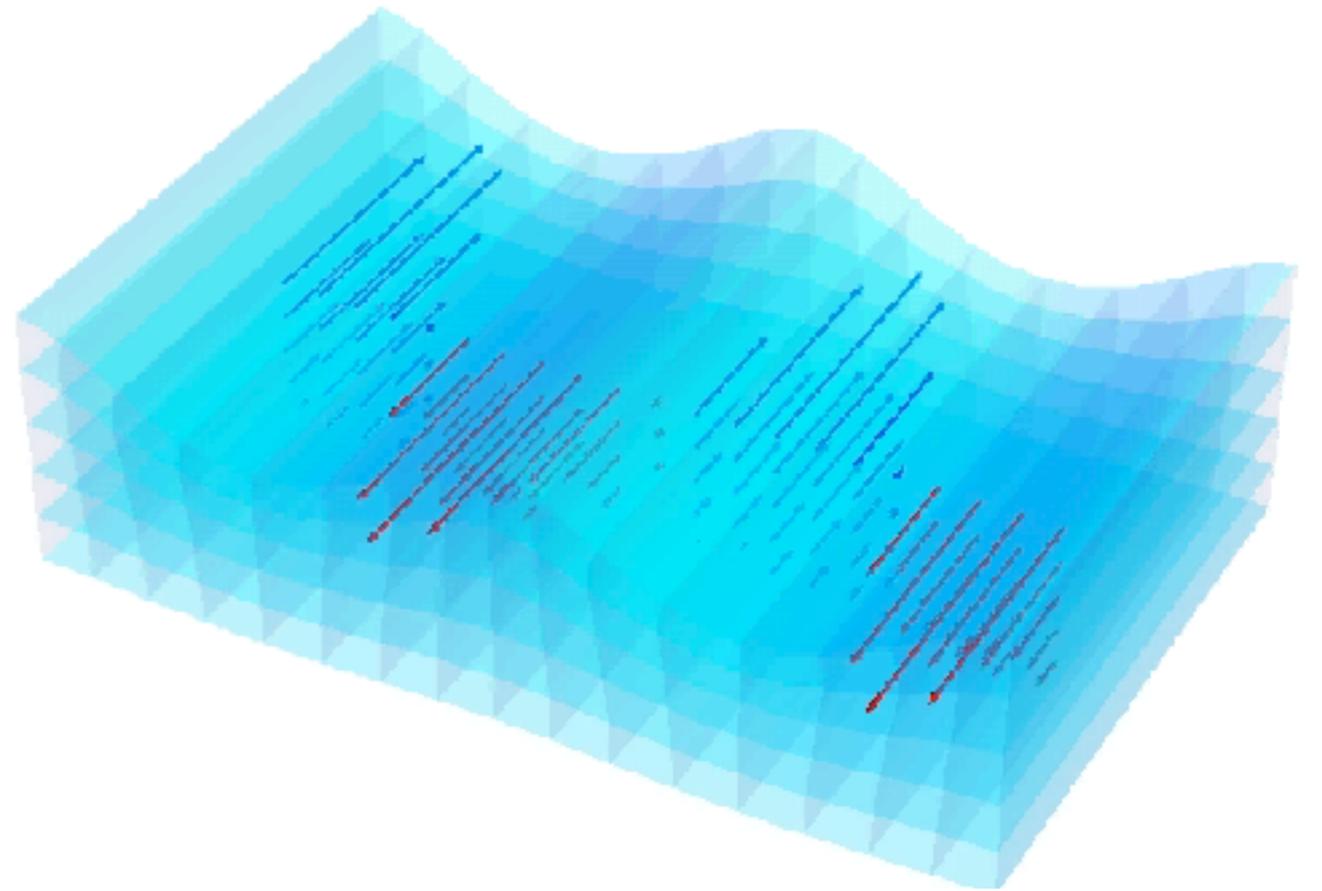
Science, Editor's choice  
Nature Physics, N&V  
Nature Materials, N&V

# Spin current generation by surface acoustic wave

**Vorticity:**  
local rotation of lattice



Spin current is generated  
along vorticity gradient!



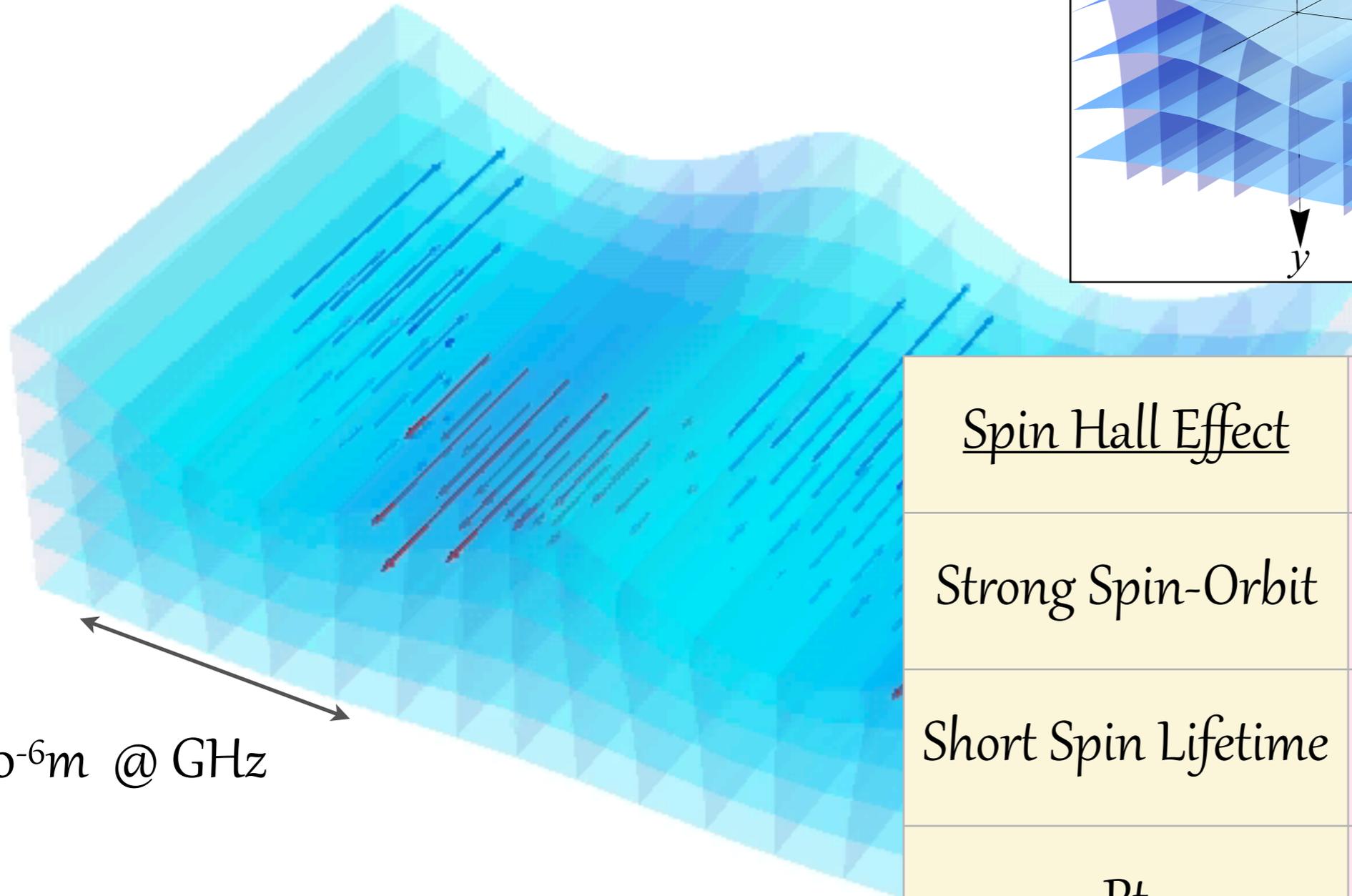
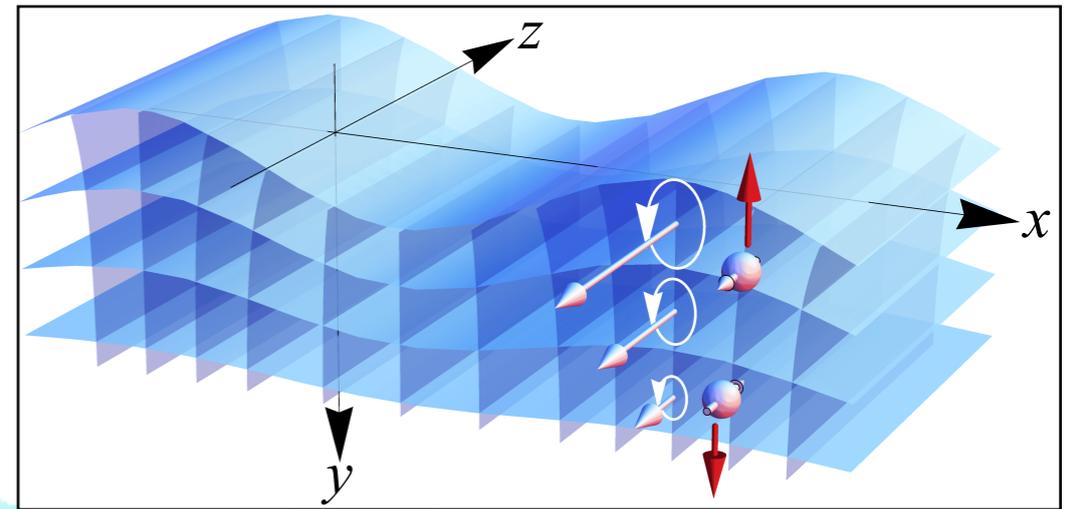
# Spin-vorticity vs. Zeeman

Mechanical	Electromagnetic
$H_{\text{Spin-vorticity}} = -S \cdot \frac{\boldsymbol{\omega}}{2}$	$H_{\text{Zeeman}} = -S \cdot \frac{eB}{m}$
$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \nabla \times \boldsymbol{v}$	$\boldsymbol{B} = \nabla \times \boldsymbol{A}$
$\boldsymbol{v}$ : velocity field	$\boldsymbol{A}$ : vector potential

For theoretical details: MM et al., "Spin-mechatronics", JPSJ 86, 011011 (2017).

# Spin current from Surface Acoustic Wave

Spin current  $\propto$  Gradient of rotation



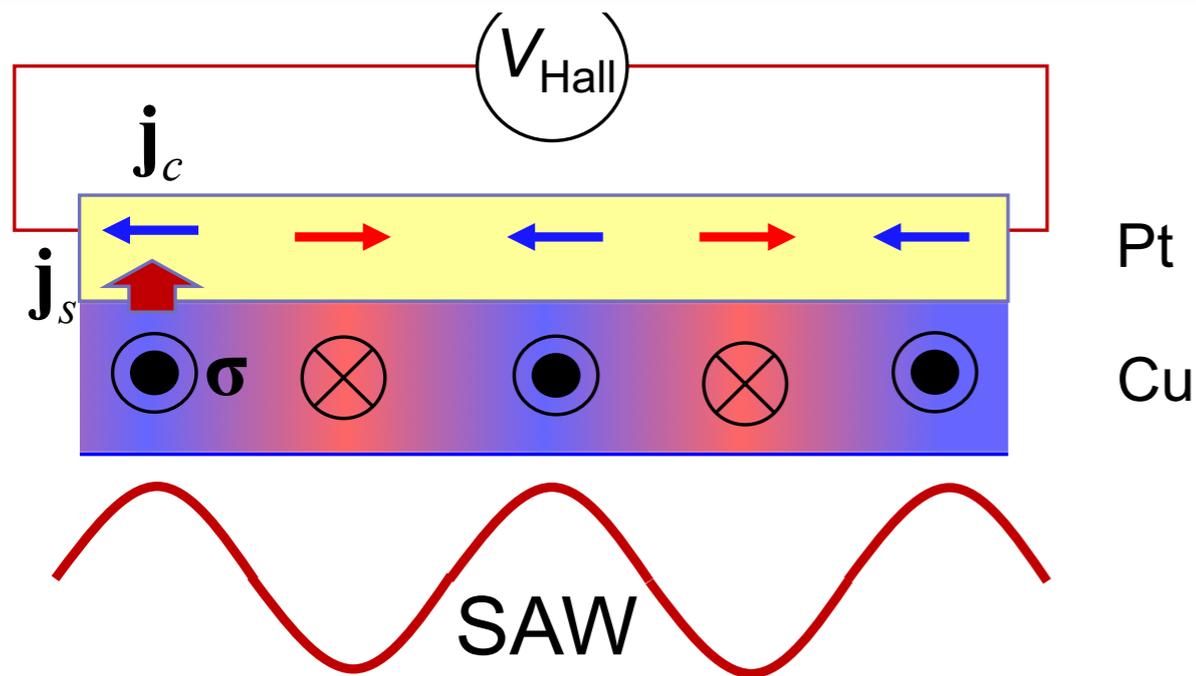
$10^{-6}\text{m}$  @ GHz

MM et al., Phys. Rev. B87, 180402(R) (2013)

<u>Spin Hall Effect</u>	<u>Spin-rotation</u>
Strong Spin-Orbit	w/o Spin-Orbit
Short Spin Lifetime	Long Spin Lifetime
Pt	Cu

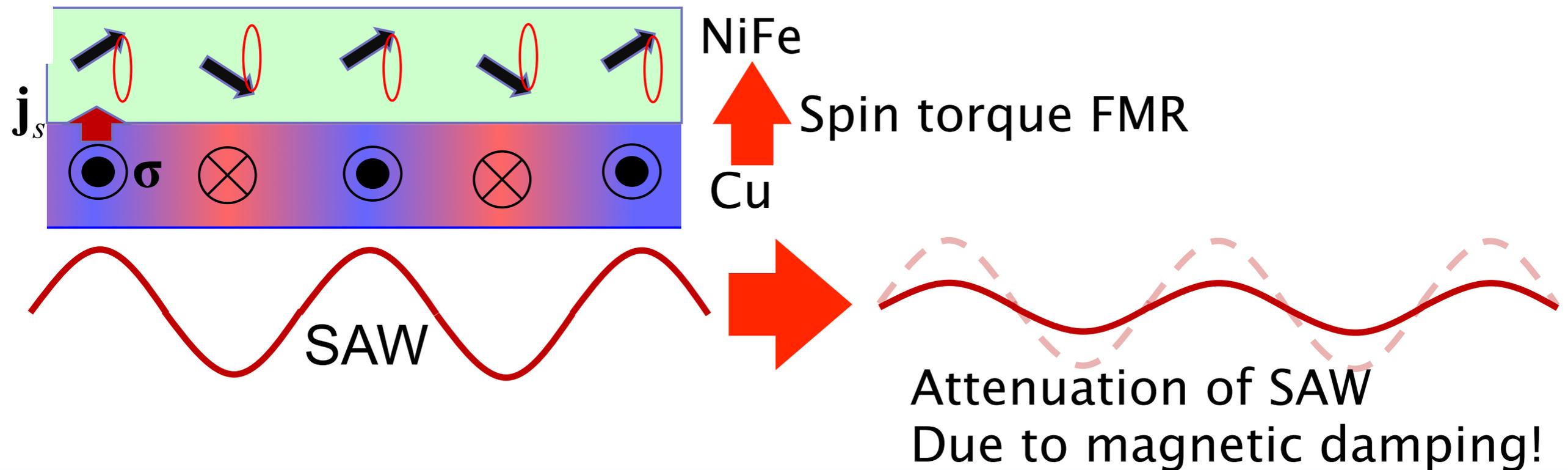
Cu can be utilized for spin-current source!  $\rightarrow$  Rare metal free spintronics

# How to detect AC spin current by SAW?

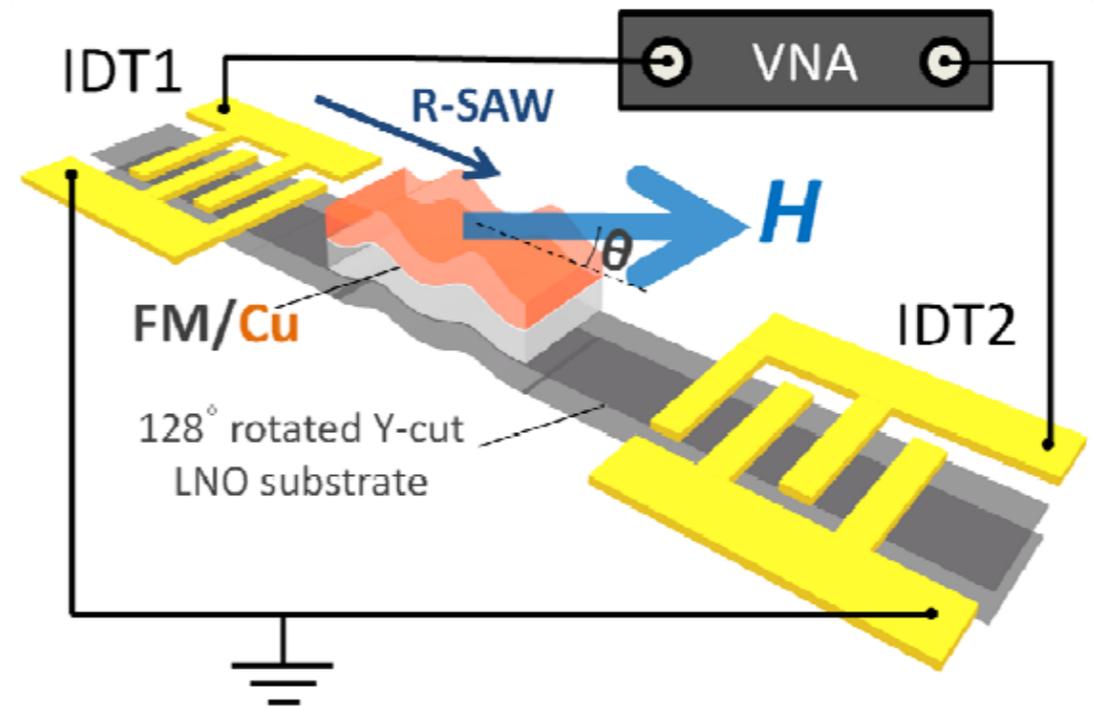
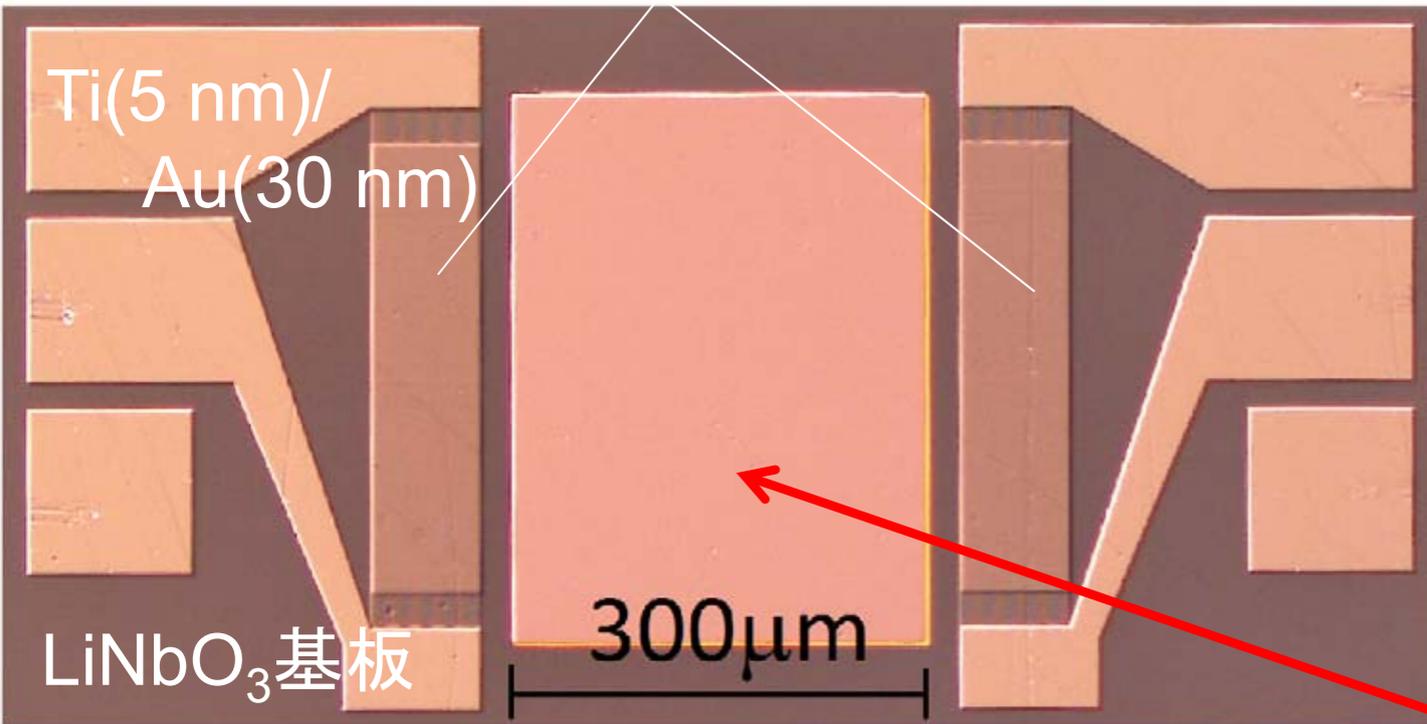


Inverse SHE:  
Hall voltage caused by  
Non-uniform spin current  
is compensated...

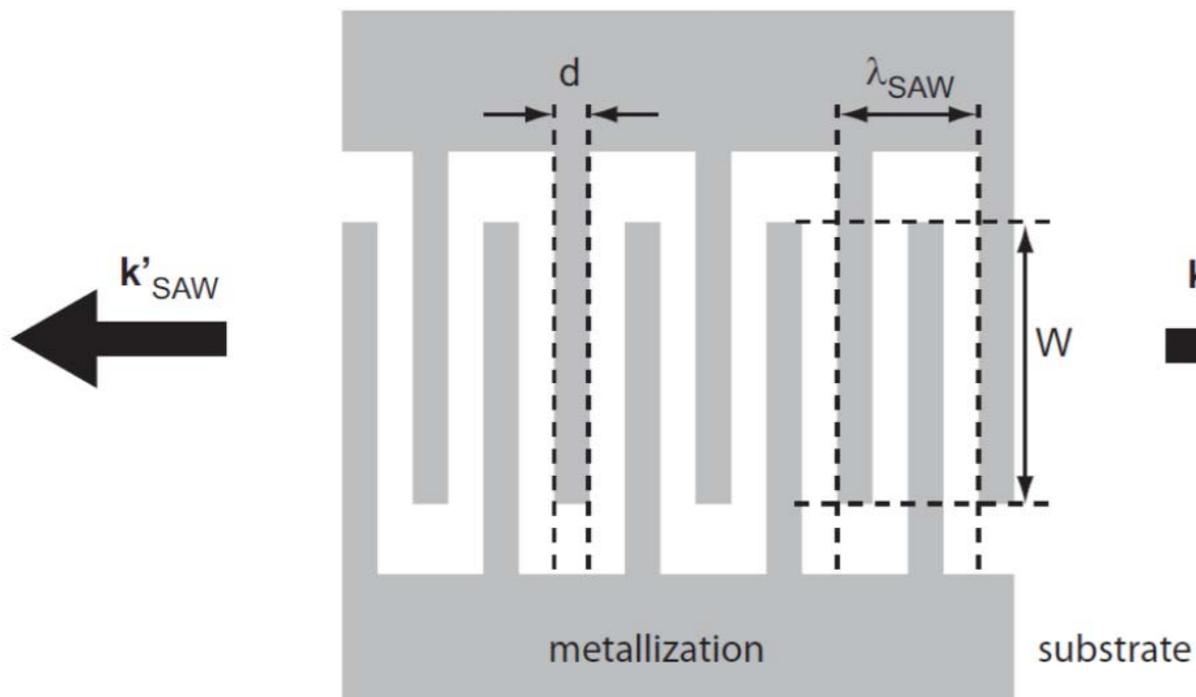
Prof. Nozaki's beautiful idea!



Interdigital transducer  
(80 pairs)



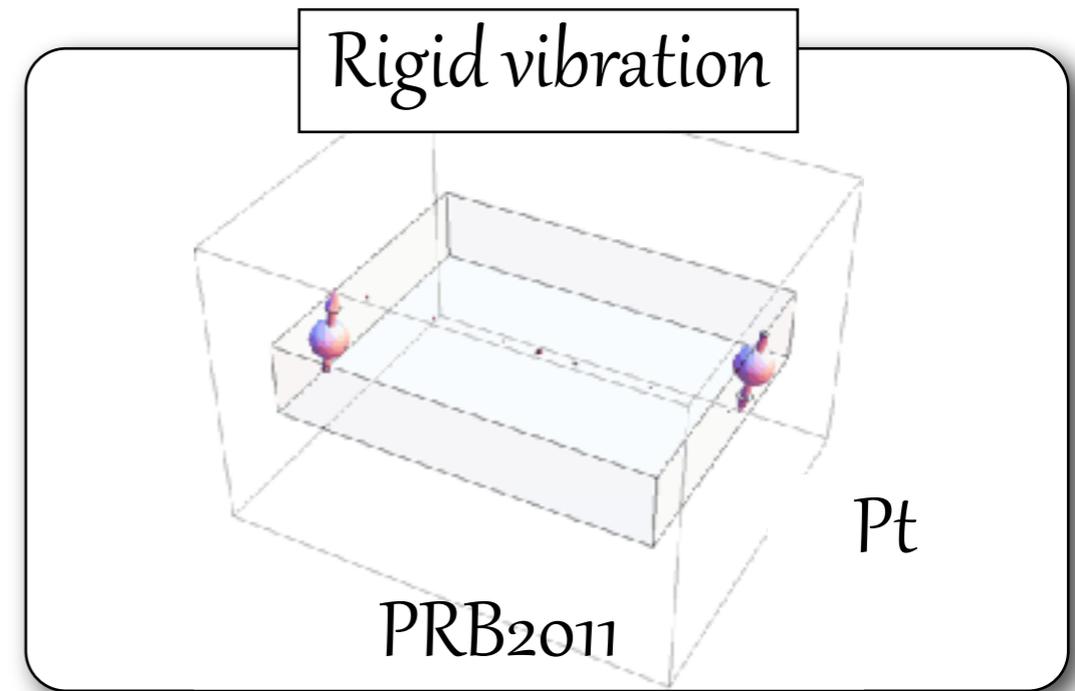
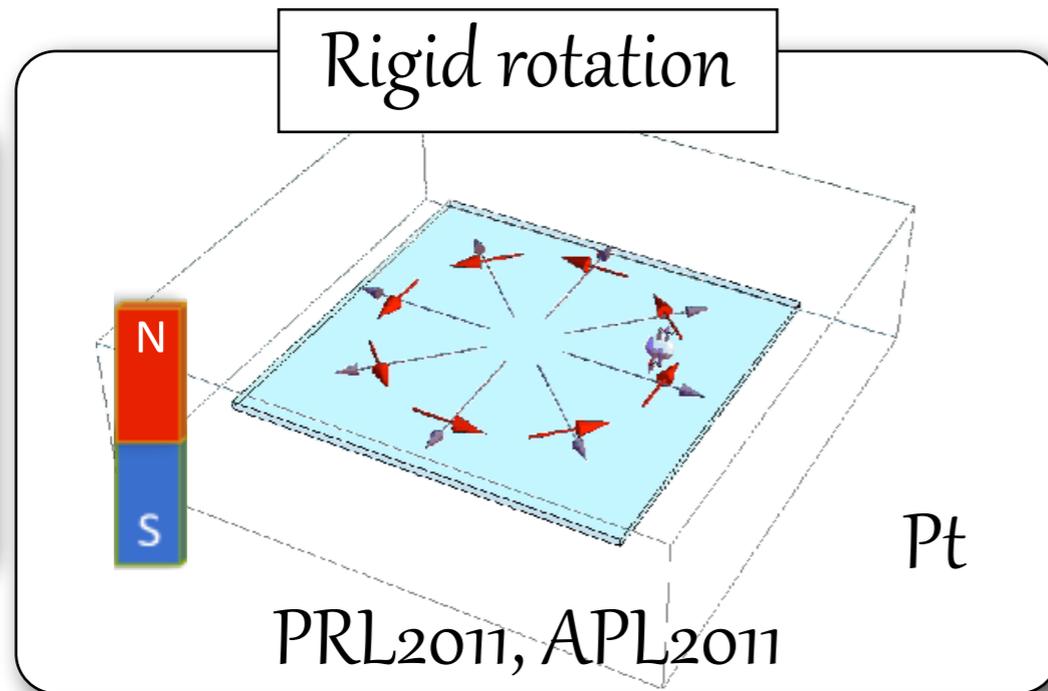
NiFe(20 nm) / Cu(180 nm)



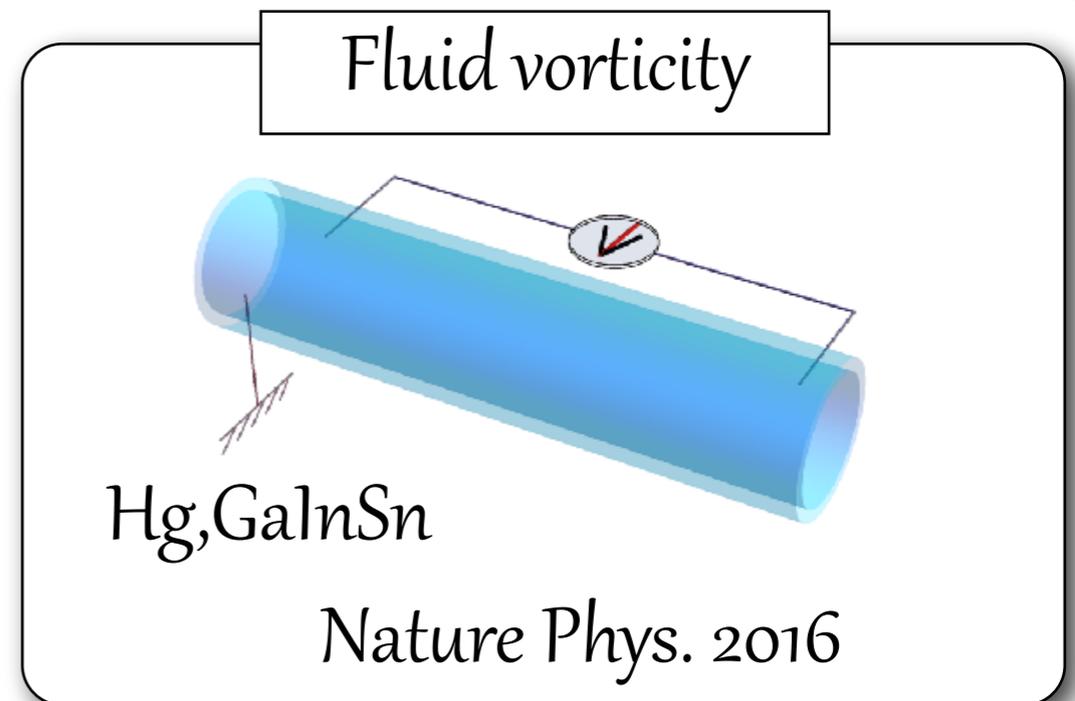
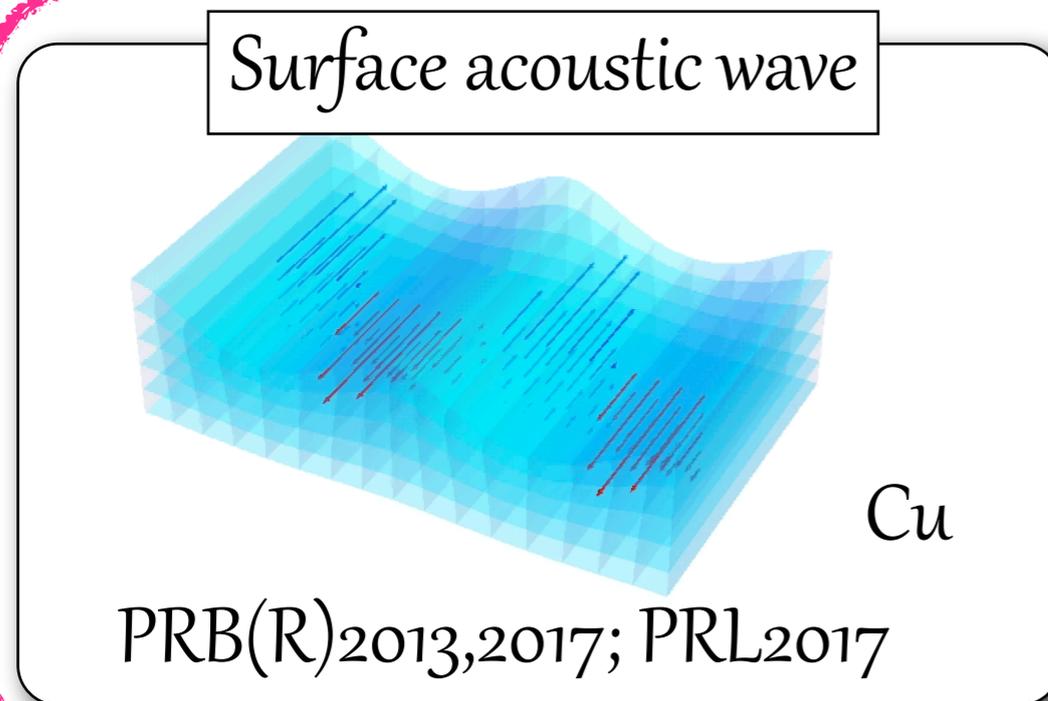
$d = 0.6 \mu\text{m}$   
 $\lambda_{\text{SAW}} = 2.4 \mu\text{m}$   
 $w = 300 \text{ nm}$

# Mechanical generation of spin current

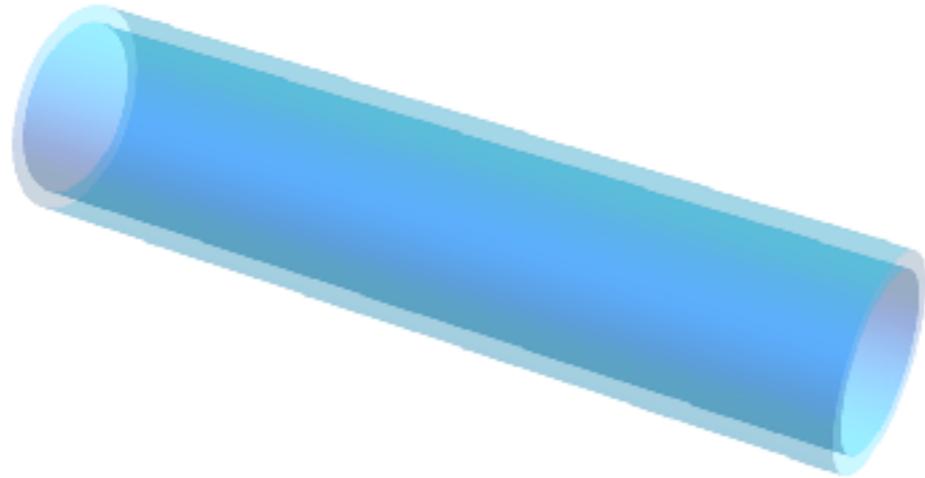
Mechanical Spin-Orbit



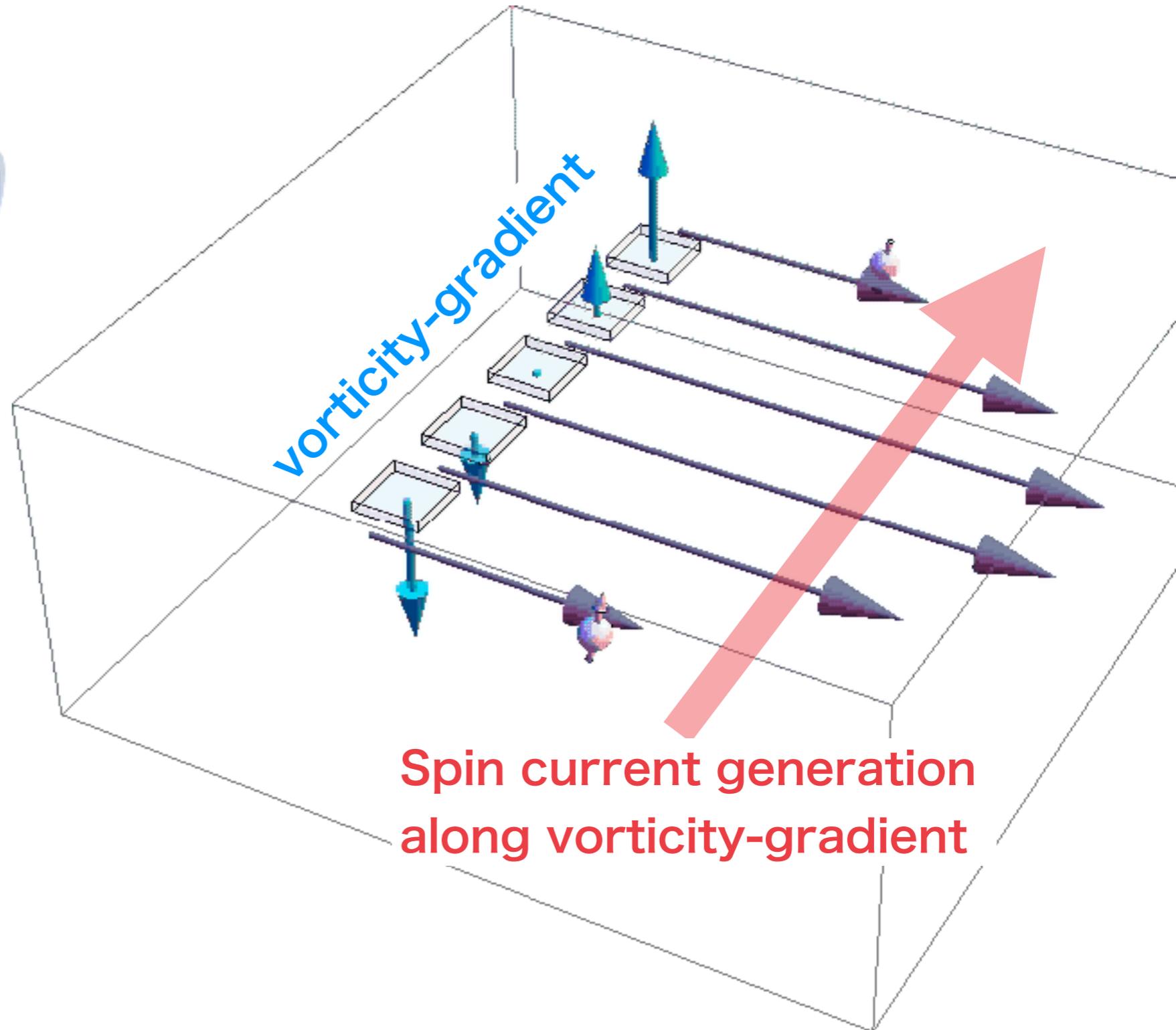
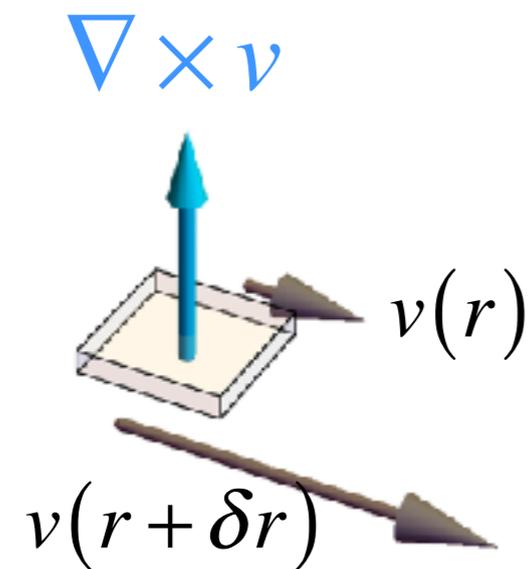
Spin-rotation



# Rotation (vorticity) -gradient in a pipe flow of liquid metal

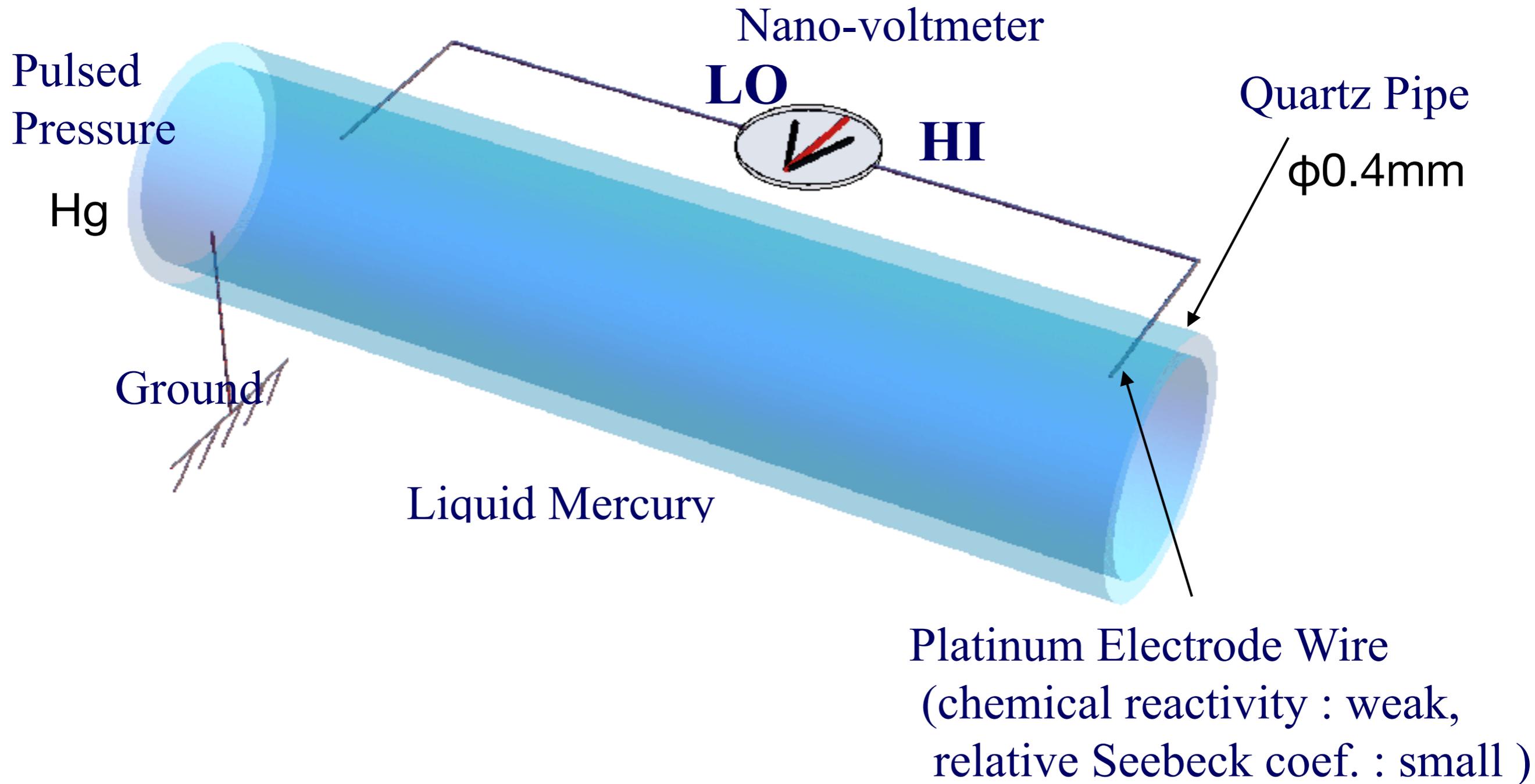


**Vorticity:**  
local rotation of fluid



**Spin current generation  
along vorticity-gradient**

# Experimental setup for spin hydrodynamic generation



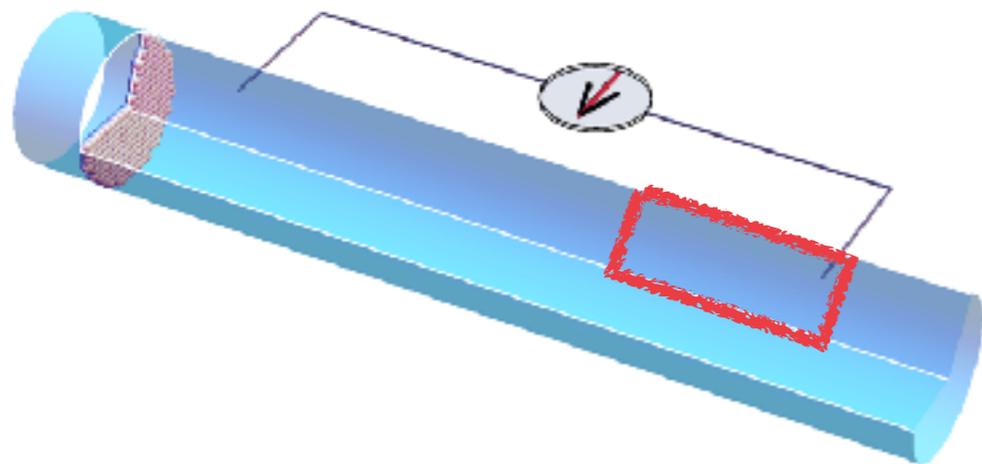
# Mechanism of Spin-hydrodynamic voltage generation

## “Spin-hydrodynamic generation”

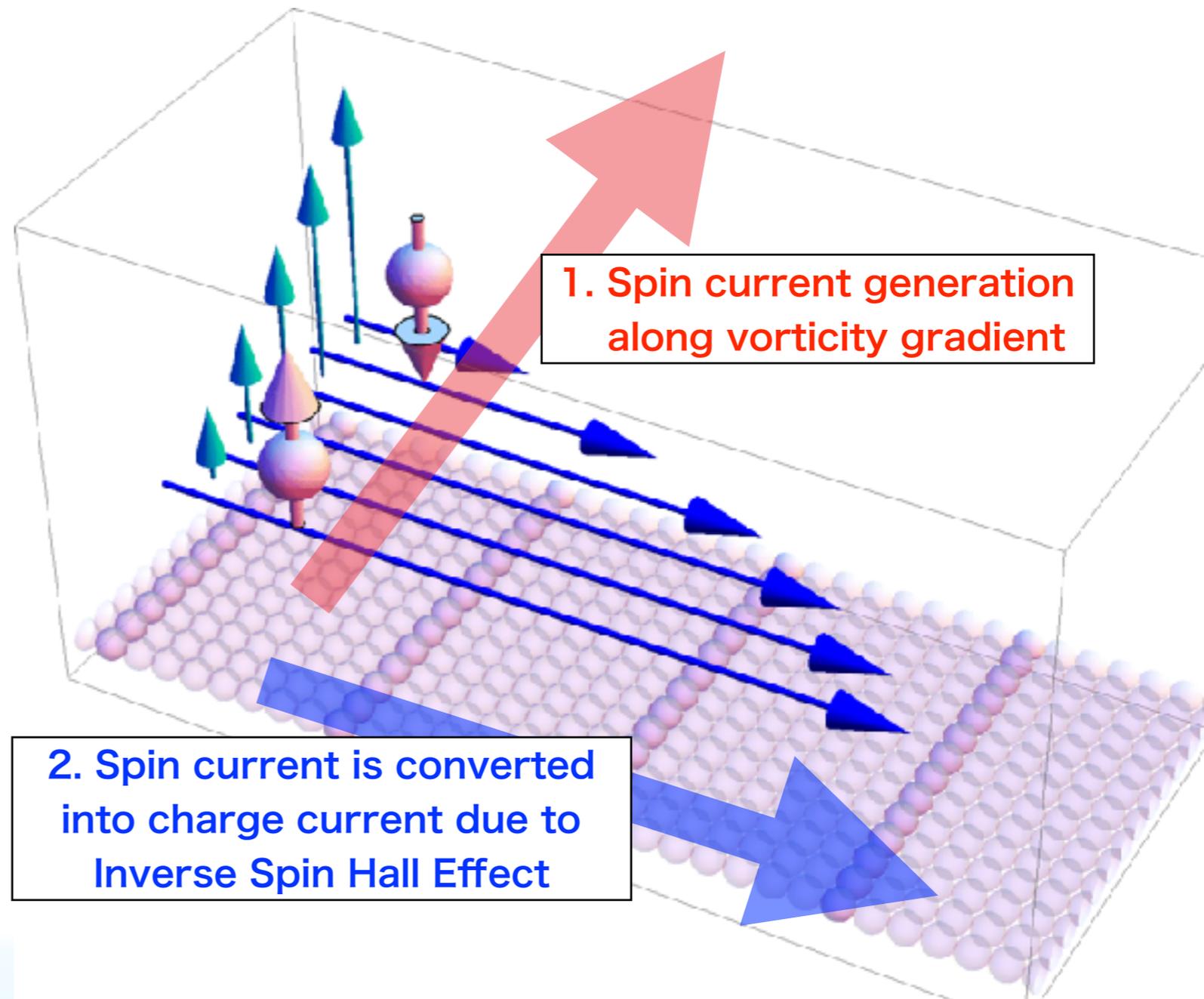
1. Spin current generation along vorticity gradient

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2. Spin current is converted into charge current by ISHE



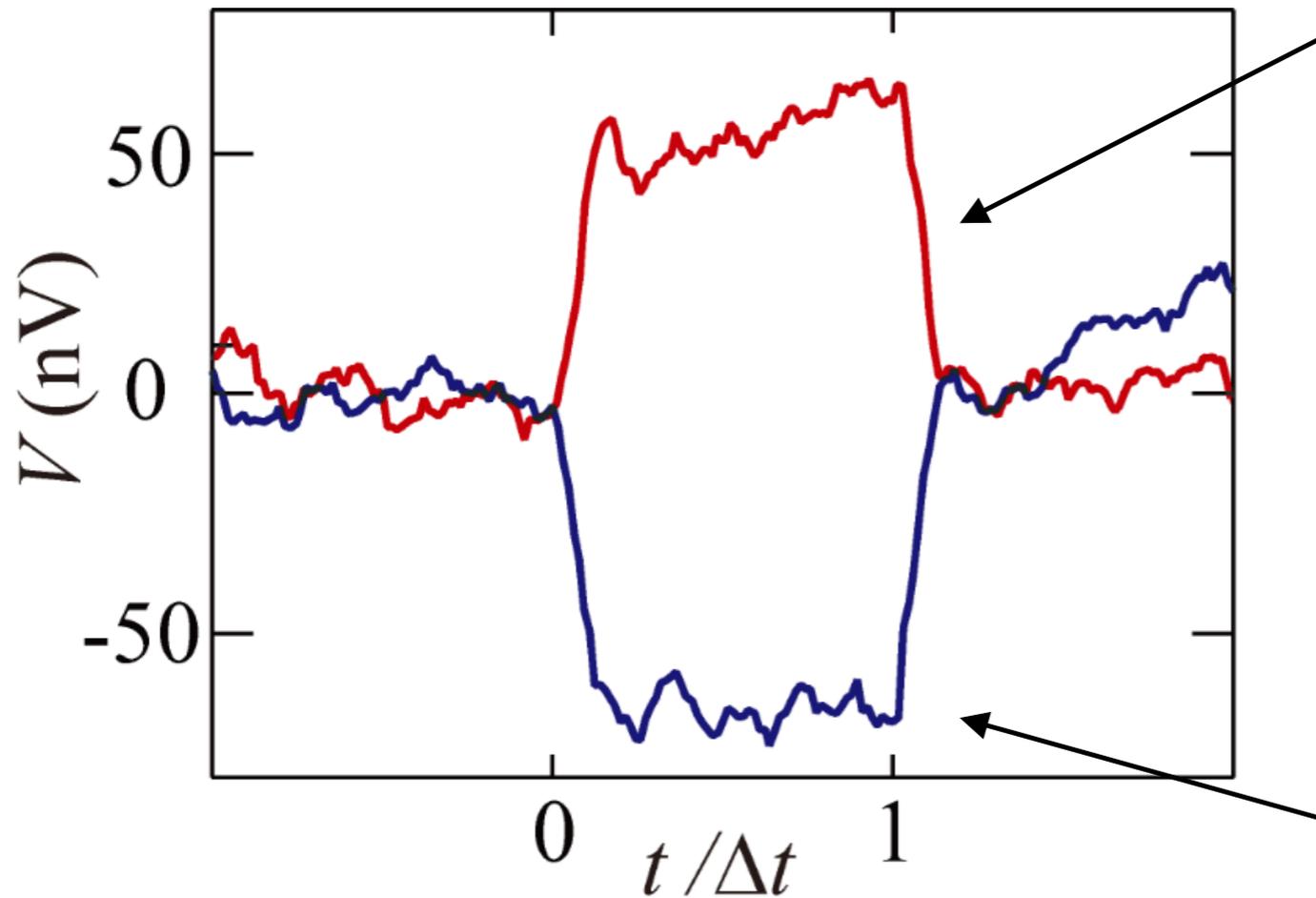
flow of liquid metal: Hg



1. Spin current generation along vorticity gradient

2. Spin current is converted into charge current due to Inverse Spin Hall Effect

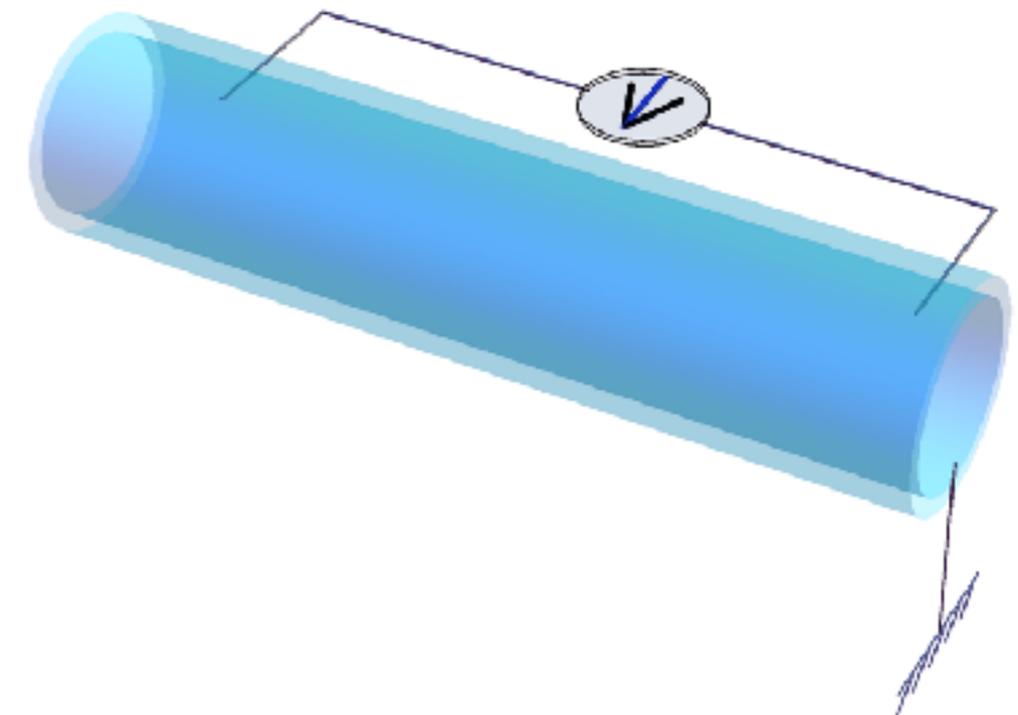
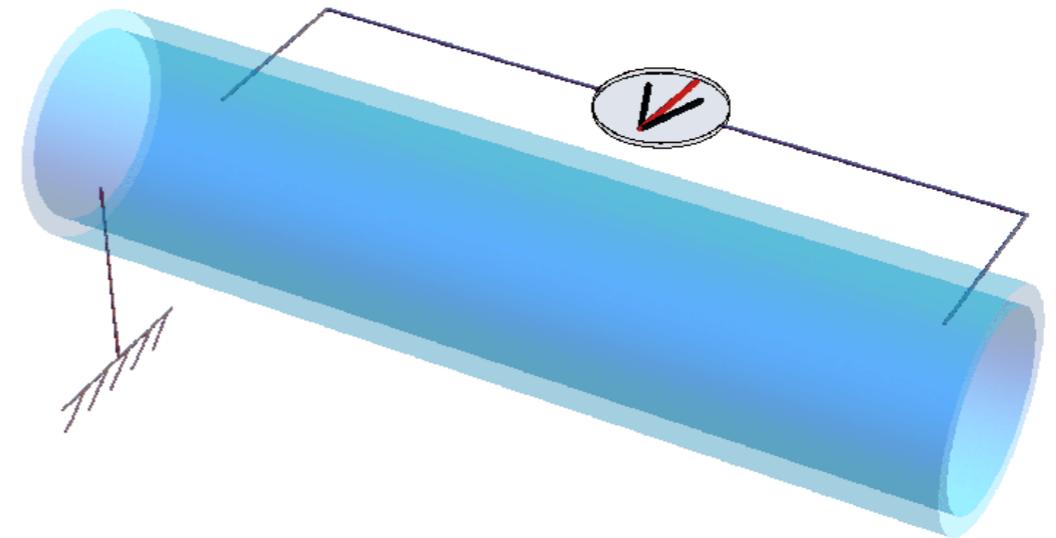
# Result - Spin-hydrodynamic signal measurement



$\Delta t$  5.9 sec, 2.7 m/s

Internal Diameter  $\phi$  0.4 mm

Length  $L$  80 mm



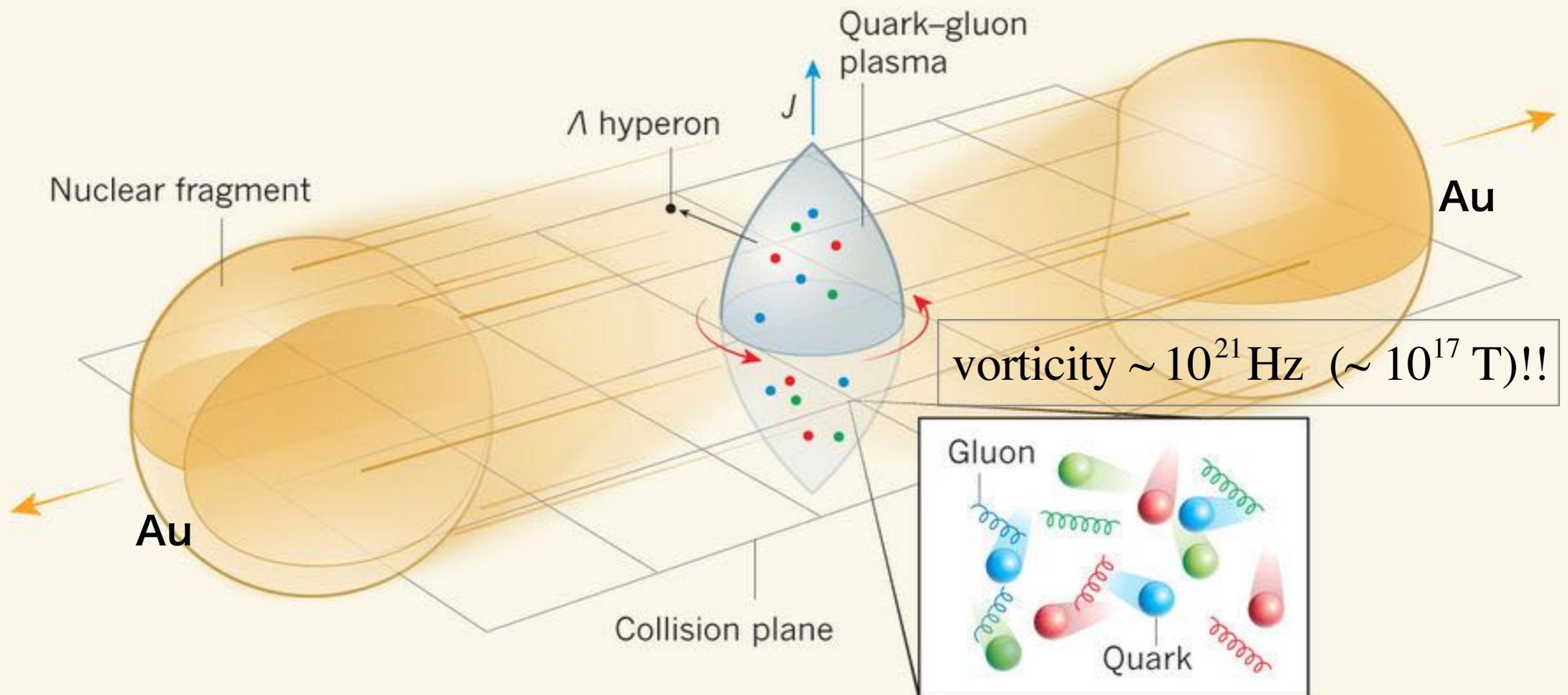
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## Global $\Lambda$ hyperon polarization in nuclear collisions

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### Au+Au, non-central collision in Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC)



Recently, Takahashi *et al.*<sup>14</sup> reported the first observation of a coupling between the vorticity of a fluid and the internal quantum spin of the electron, opening the door to a new field of fluid spintronics. In their study, the vorticity  $\omega$ —a measure of the ‘swirl’ of the velocity flow field around any point (non-relativistically,  $\omega = \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \mathbf{v}$ )—is generated through shear viscous effects as liquid mercury flows next to a rigid wall.

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