

Topological Electronic States & Materials

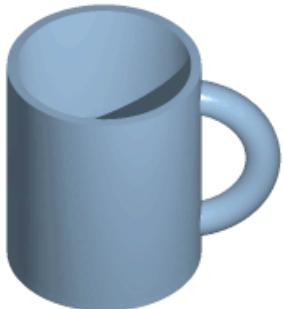


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Outline:

- 1. Introduction: Topological States**
- 2. Computational Method: Wilson Loop Method**
- 3. Realization & Materials:**
 - (1) Dirac Semimetal: Na_3Bi & Cd_3As_2**
 - (2) Weyl semimetal: HgCr_2Se_4 & TaAs (TaP, NbAs, NbP)**
- 4. New Fermions:**
- 5. Detecting CME by lattice dynamics**
(Z. D. Song, et.al, PRB 94, 214306 (2016). Talk: E44.00005)

1. Introduction:

Topo-States: State (wave-function) with topological characters

Description: Topological Invariants

Significance:

- (1) Robust against local perturbation
- (2) Protected boundary states (usually gapless)

Extension of concept in Condensed Matter Physics:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Real Space (r) | | Parameter Space (k or q) |
| Real EM field ($F_{\mu\nu}$) | | Emergent Gauge field ($f_{\mu\nu}$) |
| Fundamental particles: | | Emergent Quasi-particles |
| Low energy state: | | Quantum State in lattice |

Topological States in Momentum (k) Space:

Z or Z_2 Insulators, Dirac/Weyl Semimetal, and etc.

1. Introduction: K-space as parameter space

Bloch State:
$$\begin{cases} H(\vec{r})\psi_{nk}(\vec{r}) = \varepsilon_{nk}\psi_{nk}(\vec{r}) \\ \psi_{nk}(\vec{r}) = e^{ik \cdot \vec{r}} u_{nk}(\vec{r}) \end{cases} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} H_k(\vec{r})u_{nk}(\vec{r}) = \varepsilon_{nk}u_{nk}(\vec{r}) \\ H_k = e^{-ik \cdot \vec{r}} H e^{ik \cdot \vec{r}} \end{cases}$$

Gauge Freedom: $|u'_{nk}\rangle = e^{i\phi(k)}|u_{nk}\rangle \quad \rightarrow \quad H_k|u'_{nk}\rangle = \varepsilon_{nk}|u'_{nk}\rangle$

Berry Connection: $\vec{A}_n(k) = i\langle u_{nk} | \vec{\nabla}_k | u_{nk} \rangle$

Gauge dependent

$$\vec{A}'_n(k) = i\langle u'_{nk} | \vec{\nabla}_k | u'_{nk} \rangle = \vec{A}_n(k) - \vec{\nabla}_k \phi(k)$$

Berry Curvature: $\vec{\Omega}_n(k) = \vec{\nabla}_k \times \vec{A}_n(k) = i\langle \vec{\nabla}_k u_{nk} | \times | \vec{\nabla}_k u_{nk} \rangle$

Gauge invariant

$$\vec{\Omega}_n(k) = \vec{\nabla}_k \times \vec{A}'_n(k) = \vec{\nabla}_k \times \vec{A}_n(k)$$

Symmetry: $\vec{\Omega}_n(k) = \vec{\Omega}_n(-k) \quad \text{for IS} \quad \vec{\Omega}_n(k) \equiv 0$

$$\vec{\Omega}_n(k) = -\vec{\Omega}_n(-k) \quad \text{for TRS} \quad \text{for IS and TRS}$$

1. Introduction: Magnetic (gauge) Field in K-space

Key quantity: $\vec{\Omega}(\mathbf{k}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \times \vec{A}(\mathbf{k}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \times i \langle u_{nk} | \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} | u_{nk} \rangle$

$A(\mathbf{k})$: Berry connection, u_{nk} : periodic part of Bloch function

can be viewed as magnetic field in k-space

[Sundaram & Niu, et.al, PRB (1999); Jungwirth & Niu, et.al, PRL (2002);
Fang, et.al, Science (2003); Y. Yao & Niu, et.al, PRL (2004)]

Analogies

Berry curvature
 $\vec{\Omega}(\vec{k})$

Berry connection
 $\vec{A}(\vec{k}) = \langle \psi | i \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{k}} | \psi \rangle$

Geometric phase
 $\oint d\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A}(\vec{k}) = \iint d^2k \Omega_z(\vec{k})$

Chern number
 $\iint d^2k \Omega_z(\vec{k}) = \text{integer}$

Magnetic field
 $\vec{B}(\vec{r})$

Vector potential
 $\vec{A}(\vec{r})$

Aharonov-Bohm phase
 $\oint d\vec{r} \cdot \vec{A}(\vec{r}) = \iint d^2r B_z(\vec{r})$

Dirac monopole
 $\iint d^2r B_z(\vec{r}) = \text{integer } h/e$

Equation of motion:

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial \epsilon(\mathbf{k})}{\mathbf{k}} - \dot{\mathbf{k}} \times \vec{\Omega}(\mathbf{k})$$

$$\hbar \dot{\mathbf{k}} = -e\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) - e\dot{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r})$$

Anomalous velocity

$$x_i = i \frac{\partial}{\partial k_i} - \tilde{A}_i(\vec{k}), \quad [x, y] = -i \Omega_z(\vec{k})$$



Observable:
Anomalous Hall Effect

1. Introduction: Monopoles (Weyl nodes) in 3D

Weyl representation (2x2):

(Irreducible !!)

Left-hand + right-hand

$$H(\vec{k}) = \pm \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma} = \pm \begin{bmatrix} k_z & k_x - ik_y \\ k_x + ik_y & -k_z \end{bmatrix}$$

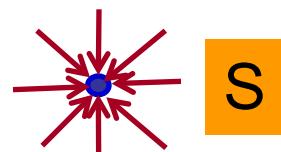
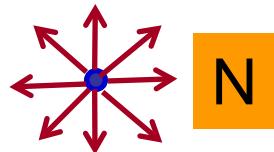
→ + or -

Note: (1) No way to have mass term: Weyl conditions: $|\vec{f}(\vec{k})| = 0$
(2) + and - nodes have to appear in pairs in lattice.

Magnetic Monopole in K-space

Topological Weyl Semimetal

$$\vec{\Omega}(k) = \vec{\nabla}_k \times \vec{A}(k) = \pm \frac{\vec{k}}{2|k|^3} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\Omega} \neq 0$$



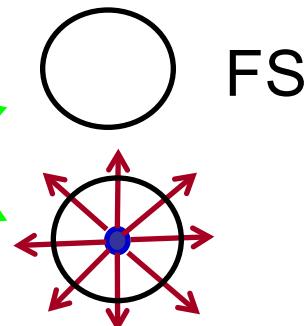
$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \oint_S \vec{\Omega}(k) \cdot dS(k) = Q$$

“Monopole Charge”

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \oint_{FS} \vec{\Omega}(k) \cdot dS(k) = C_{FS}$$

$C_{FS}=0$, Normal

$C_{FS} \neq 0$, Topological



Volovik, JETP (2003).

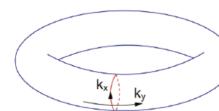
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Z. Fang, et.al, Science (2003).

1. Introduction: Various topo. states in terms of $\Omega(\mathbf{k})$

2D: $k_z=m$ $H = \begin{bmatrix} m & k_x - ik_y \\ k_x + ik_y & -m \end{bmatrix}$



$$\oint_{BZ} \vec{\Omega}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 2\pi Z$$

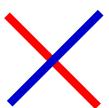
(Chern Insulator)

TRS: $\begin{bmatrix} m & k_x - ik_y \\ k_x + ik_y & -m \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} m & k_x + ik_y \\ k_x - ik_y & -m \end{bmatrix}$

$$\oint_{BZ} \vec{\Omega}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

(QSHI, need $Z_2=Z \bmod 2$)

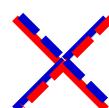
3D: $H = \pm \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma}$



$$\oint_{FS} \vec{\Omega}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 2\pi Z$$

(Weyl Semimetal)

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma} & 0 \\ 0 & -\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \end{bmatrix}$$

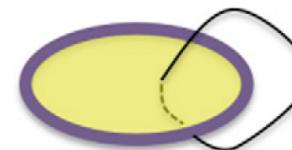


$$\oint_{FS/2} \vec{\Omega}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 2\pi Z$$

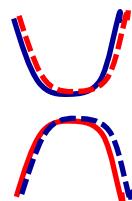
(Dirac Semimetal)

TRS
+
others

Or nodal-line semimetal:



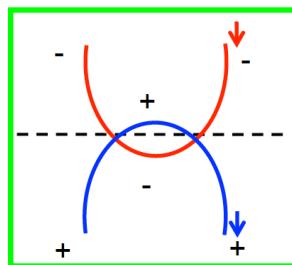
$$H = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma} & M \\ M & -\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \end{bmatrix}$$



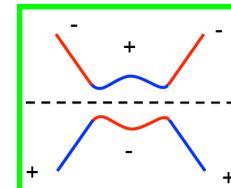
(3D TIs, need Z_2 in 3D)

1. Introduction: Band Inversion Mechanism

Without TRS:

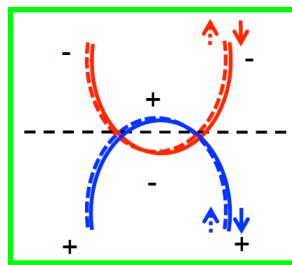


SOC

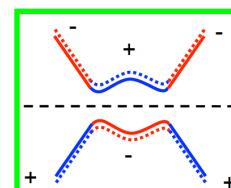


Gapped in 2D
Chern Insulator

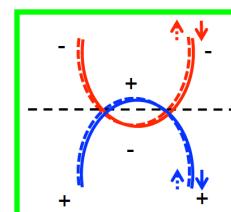
With TRS:



SOC



Gapped in
both 2D & 3D
Z2 TIs



Gapless if
+ Crystal symmetry
3D Dirac semimetal

- ◆ Intermetallic compounds or narrow-gap semiconductors
- ◆ Band inversion between s-p, p-d, p-p, d-d
- ◆ Strong SOC
- ◆ Symmetry: either I or T should be broken for Weyl

2. Method: Predictive roles by first-principles calculations

See our reviews: *Advance in Physics*, 64, 227 (2015); *MRS Bulletin*, 39, 849 (2014).

$$\rho = \langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle \text{ vs. } |\Psi\rangle = e^{i\phi(k)} |\psi\rangle \text{ Phase is important.}$$

- ◆ Berry phase can be well described by band-theory
- ◆ Topological States are robust against small errors
- ◆ Challenging for calculations of topological invariant

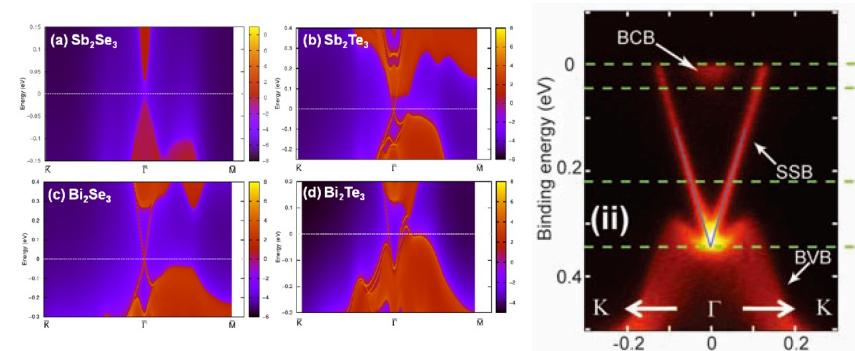
Examples:

3D TI: Bi_2Se_3 , Bi_2Te_3 , Sb_2Te_3

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

Exp: Y. Xia, et.al, *Nature Phys.* (2009)

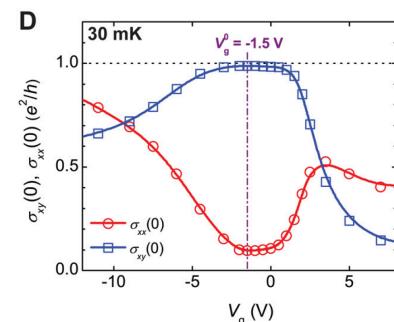
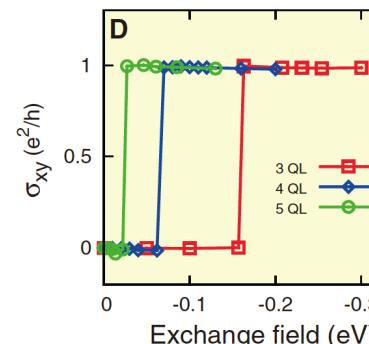
Y. L. Chen, et.al, *Science* (2009).



QAHE: Cr-doped Bi_2Te_3 family (Van-Vleck)

Theory: R. Yu, et.al, *Science*. (2010),

Exp: C. Z. Chang, et.al, *Science* (2013).



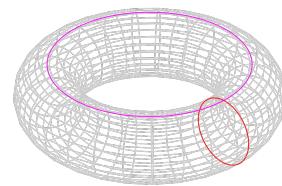
2. Methods: Difficulties

Connection: $\vec{A}_n(\mathbf{k}) = i\langle u_{nk} | \vec{\nabla}_{\mathbf{k}} | u_{nk} \rangle$

Curvature: $\vec{\Omega}_n(\mathbf{k}) = \vec{\nabla}_{\mathbf{k}} \times \vec{A}_n(\mathbf{k})$

Invariants: $\oint_S \vec{\Omega}_n(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 2\pi Z$

Manifolds



2D BZ



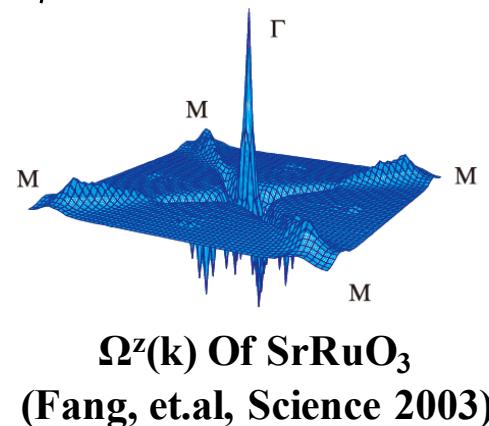
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- Problems:**
- (1) Fine k-points. (Wannier interpolation)
 - (2) Smooth gauge, non-abelian $U(N_b)$ (Kubo formula)
 - (3) Not work for Z_2

Matrix Elements: $\langle \psi_{mk} | \hat{v} | \psi_{nk} \rangle = \omega_{nm,k} \left\langle u_{mk} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{k}} \right| u_{nk} \right\rangle$

$$\Omega_n^z(k) = - \sum_{m \neq n} \frac{2\text{Im}\langle \psi_{nk} | v_x | \psi_{mk} \rangle \langle \psi_{mk} | v_y | \psi_{nk} \rangle}{\omega_{mn,k}^2}$$

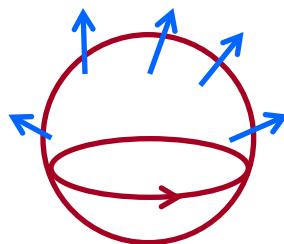
$$\sigma_{xy} = -\frac{e^2}{\hbar} \int_{BZ} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{n(occ)} \Omega_n^z(\mathbf{k}) = Z \frac{e^2}{\hbar}$$



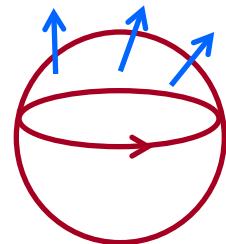
2. Methods: Loop Method

Stocks' theorem:

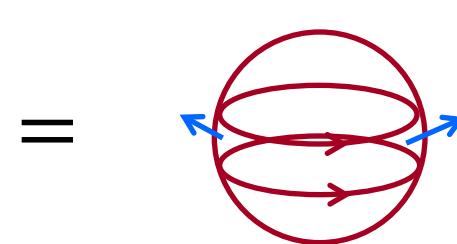
$$\text{Flux} = \int_S \vec{\Omega}_n(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_S \vec{\nabla}_{\mathbf{k}} \times \vec{A}_n(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \oint_{\partial S} \vec{A} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \theta$$



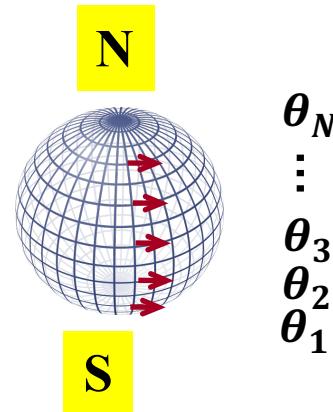
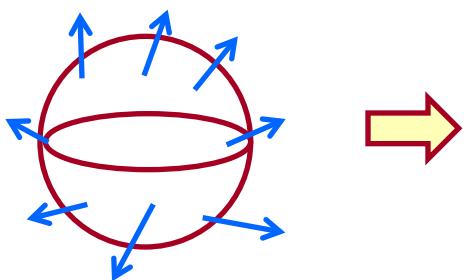
$$\text{Loop } 1 = \theta_1$$



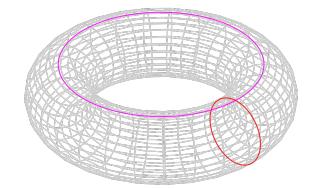
$$\text{Loop } 2 = \theta_2$$



$$\Delta\theta = \text{Net Flux}$$



or



$$\theta_1 \theta_2 \theta_3 \dots \theta_N$$

$$\text{Total Flux} = \oint_S \vec{\Omega}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \sum \Delta\theta = \int_{l_{\perp}} d\theta$$

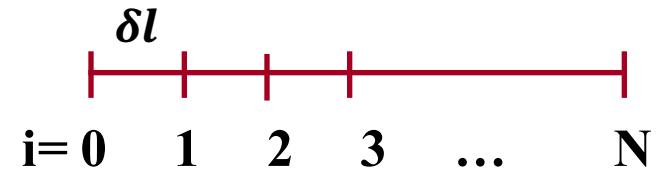
$$\text{where } \theta = \oint_{l_{\parallel}} \vec{A} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$

2. Methods: Wilson Loop integration

$$\theta = \oint_{l_{\parallel}} \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

Loop l_{\parallel}

Discretize



Periodic: site $N =$ site 0

$$F_{i,i+1}^{mn} = \langle u_{m,i} | u_{n,i+1} \rangle \approx e^{-iA_{i,i+1}^{mn}\delta l}$$

$$A_{i,i+1}^{mn} = i \langle u_{m,i} | (|u_{n,i+1}\rangle - |u_{n,i}\rangle) \rangle / \delta l$$

$N_b \times N_b$ Matrix: $D^{mn} = F_{0,1} F_{1,2} F_{2,3} \dots F_{N-1,0} = \prod_{i=0}^{N-1} F_{i,i+1}$

$U(N_b)$ Wilson Loop: $D = \left\{ P \exp \left[\oint_C -i \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} \right] \right\}$

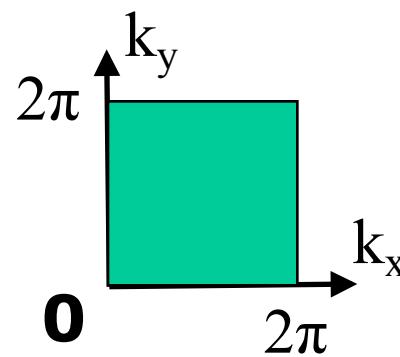
Eigen Values of D^{mn} :

$$\lambda_m^D = |\lambda_m^D| e^{i\theta_m}$$

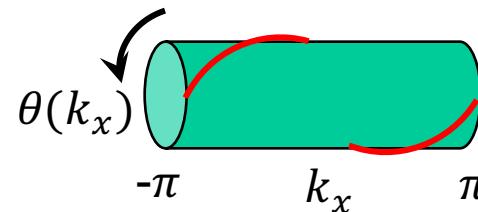
No need for gauge-fixing.
Good for both Z and Z2.

R. Yu, et.al, PRB 84, 075119 (2011)

2. Methods: Plots for Z and Z2 invariant



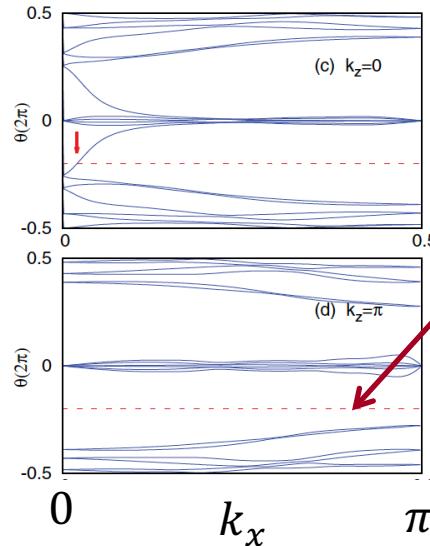
$$\theta_n(k_x) = \oint_{C_y} \vec{A}_n \cdot d\vec{k}_y$$



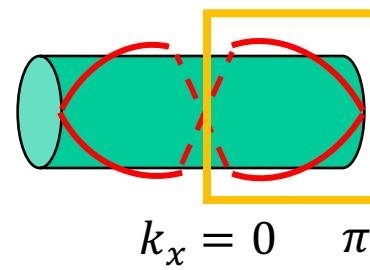
$Z=1$



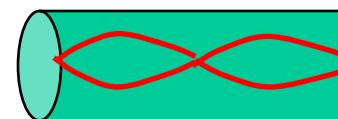
$Z=0$



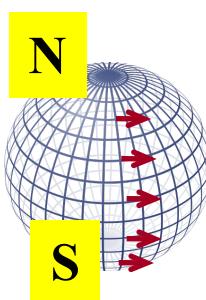
Reference line in gap.
Results for Bi_2Se_3



$Z_2=1$

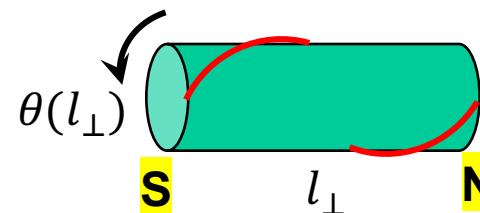


$Z_2=0$



θ_N
⋮
 θ_3
 θ_2
 θ_1

$$\theta(l_\perp) = \oint_{l_\parallel} \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l}_\parallel$$

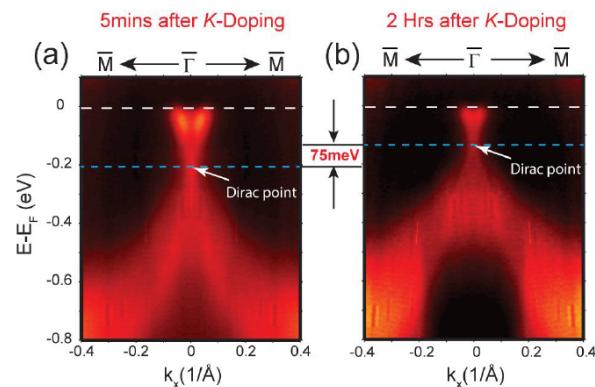
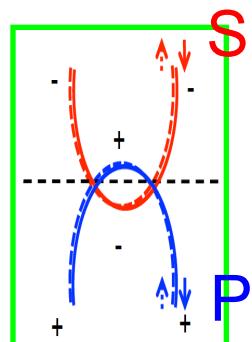
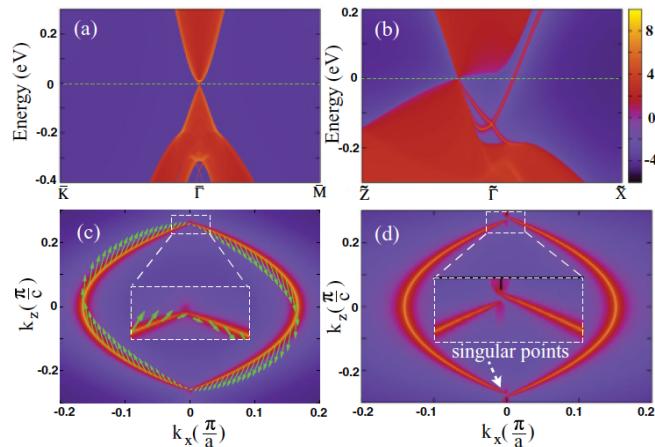


Fermi Surface
Chern number
 $Z=1$

3. Materials: Dirac Semimetals

Na₃Bi

Z. J. Wang, PRB 85, 195320 (2012)

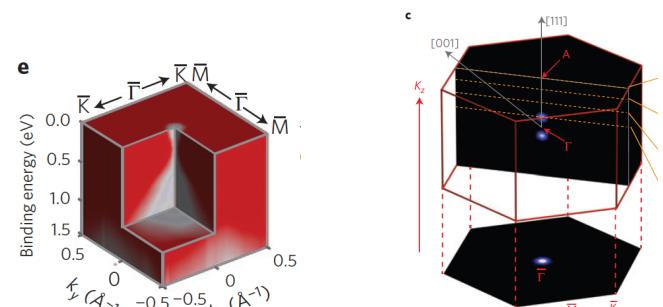
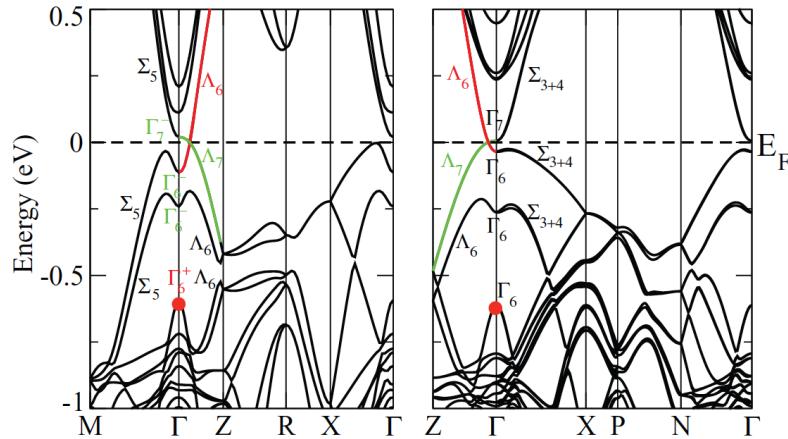


ARPES:

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Cd₃As₂

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A single pair of
Dirac points,
PT symmetry
+
C3 or C4

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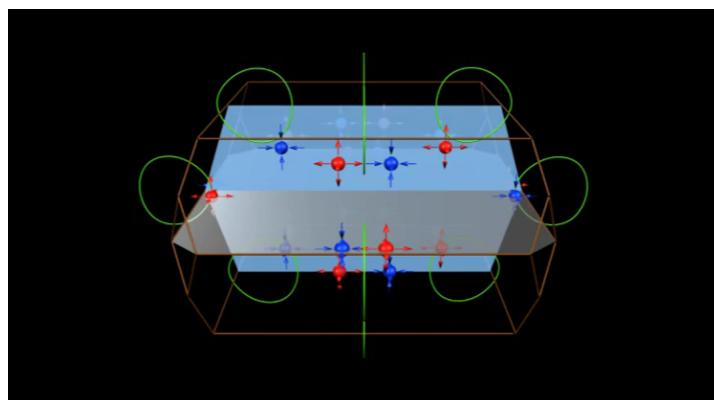
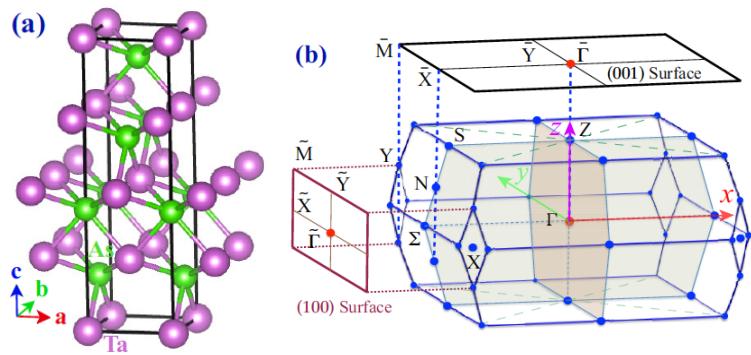
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Cd₃As₂ mobility, up to $10^7 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ at 5K!

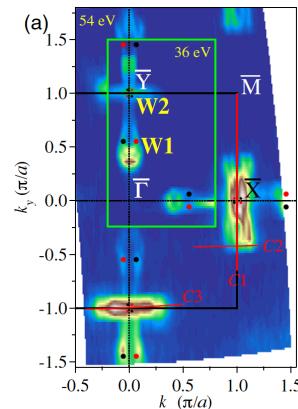
3. Materials: Weyl semimetals: TaAs family

Family: TaAs, TaP, NbAs, NbP ($I4_1md$, 109, $C4v$)

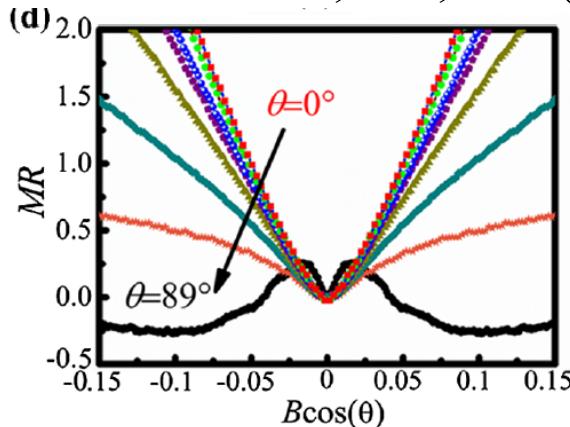
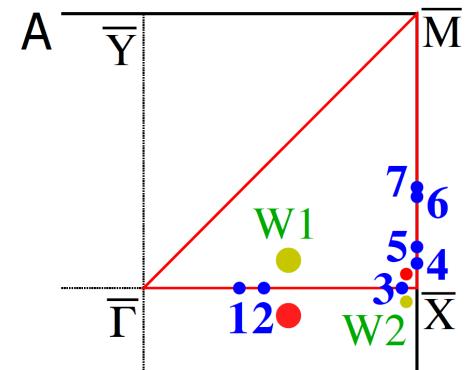
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Theory



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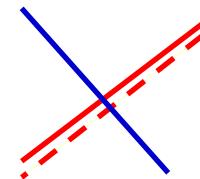
4、New Fermions:

- ◆ Fermions are spinor representation of Lorentz symmetry.
- ◆ No Lorentz symmetry in a crystal. Instead, we have crystal symmetry.
- ◆ New fermions are expected as representation of crystal symmetry.

3-fold point: between Weyl (2) and Dirac (4) ?

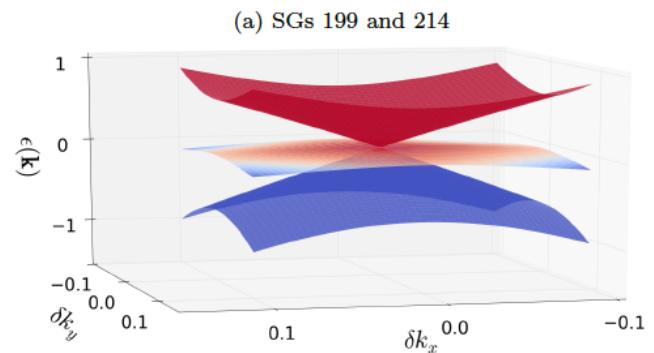
Scheme 1: 2-fold band + 1 band, anti-crossing

(Weng, et.al, PRB 93, 241202 (2016).)



Scheme 2: 3d-irrep, high symmetry point.

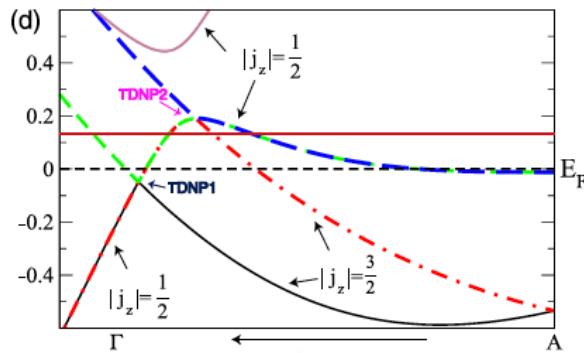
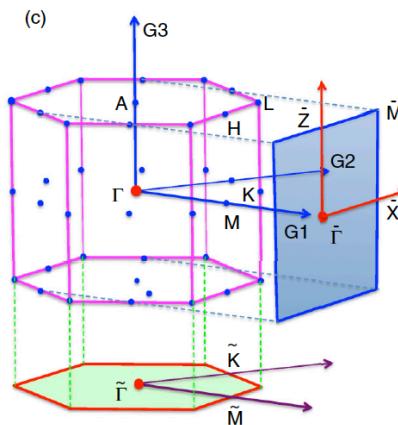
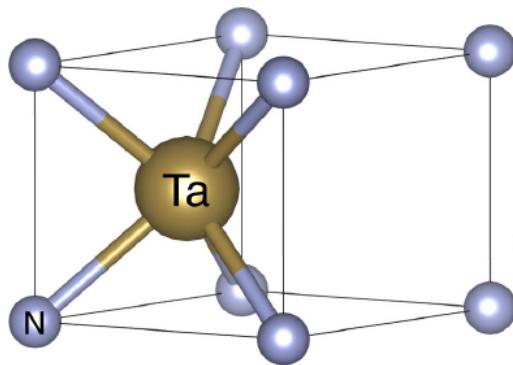
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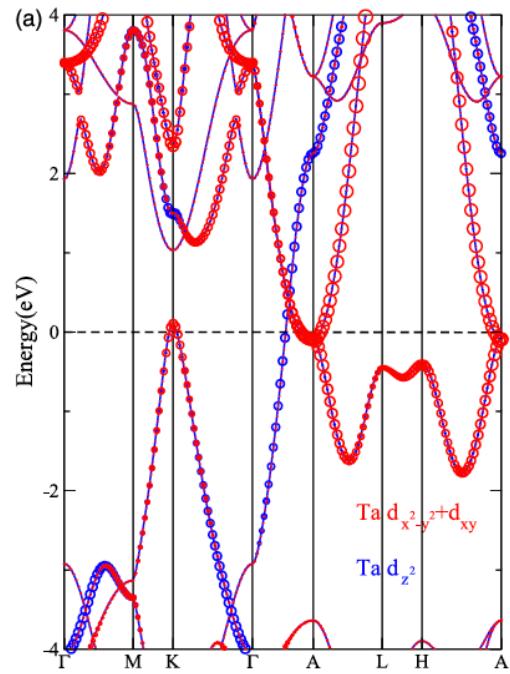
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$$j_z = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$j_z = \frac{3}{2}$$

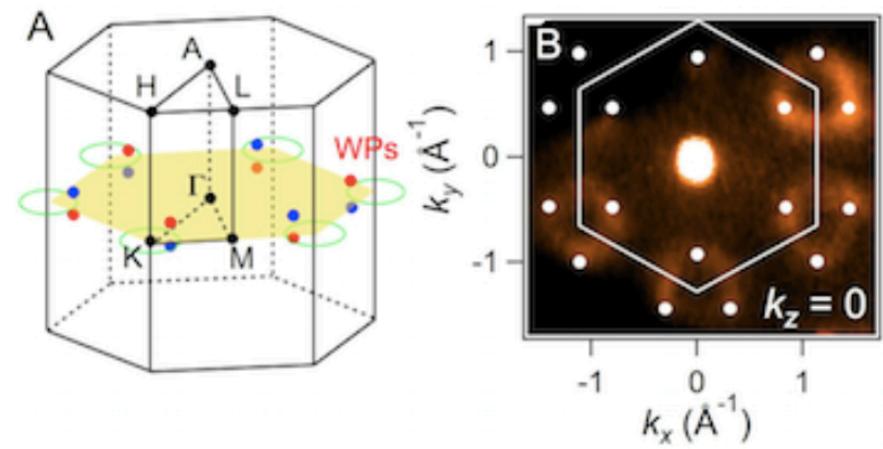
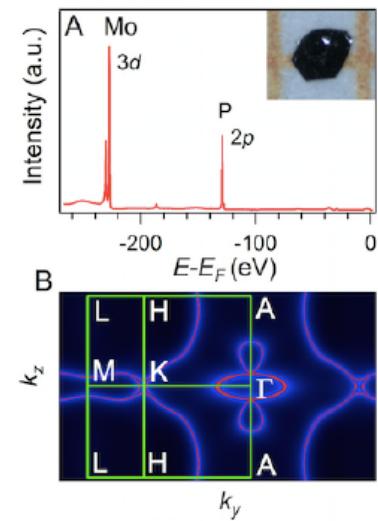
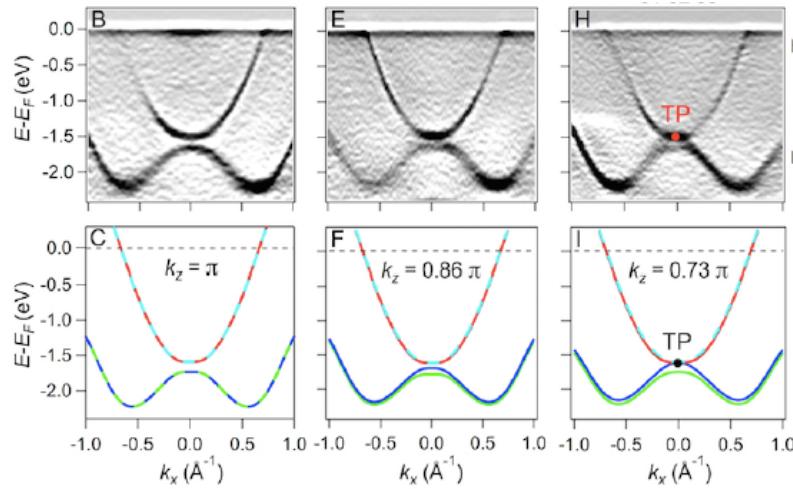
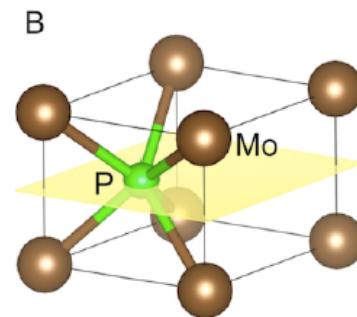
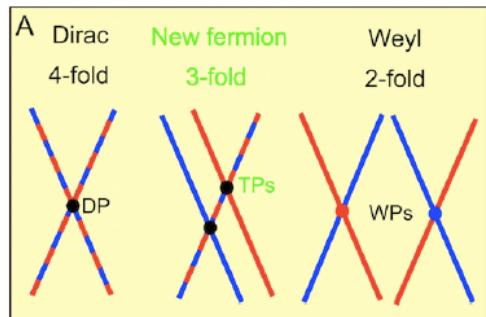


$$H_3(\mathbf{q}) = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1/2}q_z & \lambda_1q_+^2 & \lambda_2q_+ \\ \lambda_1q_-^2 & u_{1/2}q_z & \lambda_2q_- \\ \lambda_2q_- & \lambda_2q_+ & u_{3/2}q_z \end{bmatrix}$$

物理结果: Chiral Anomaly → Helical Anomaly

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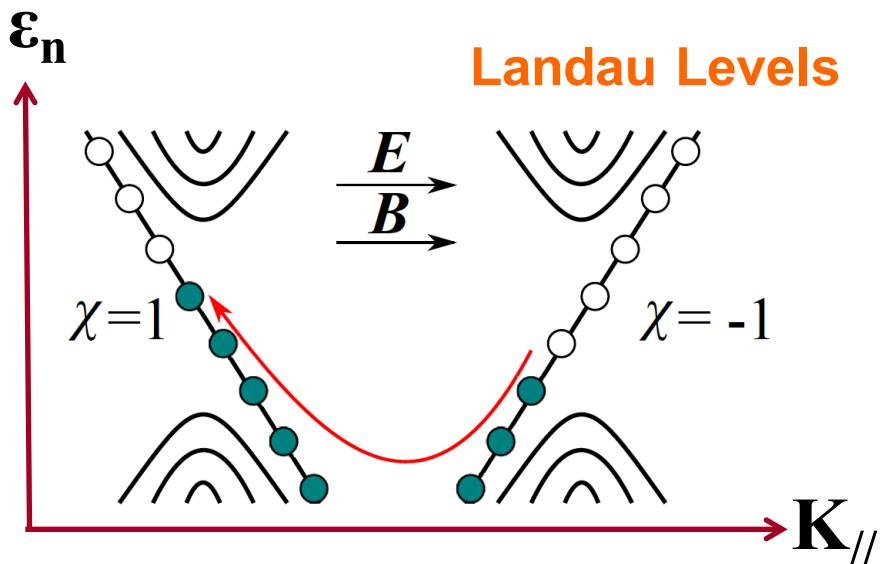
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5. Detecting CME:

Chiral Anomaly

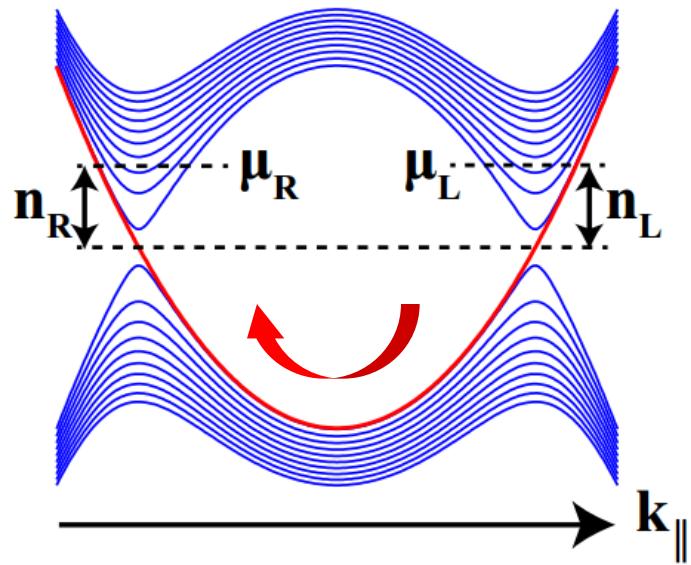
(Nielsen & Ninomiya, Phys. Lett. 2011)



- ◆ Negative MR for $E \parallel B$.

Chiral Magnetic Effect

(K. Fukushima, et.al. PRB (2008))



$$\frac{\partial n_a}{\partial t} = \frac{e^2 N_W}{4\pi^2 \hbar^2} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} - \frac{n_a}{\tau_{\text{inter}}}$$



$$\mathbf{J}_{\text{CME}} = \frac{e^2 \mathbf{B}}{4\pi^2 \hbar^2} \sum_{\mathbf{K}_i} \chi_i \mu_i$$

5. Detecting CME:

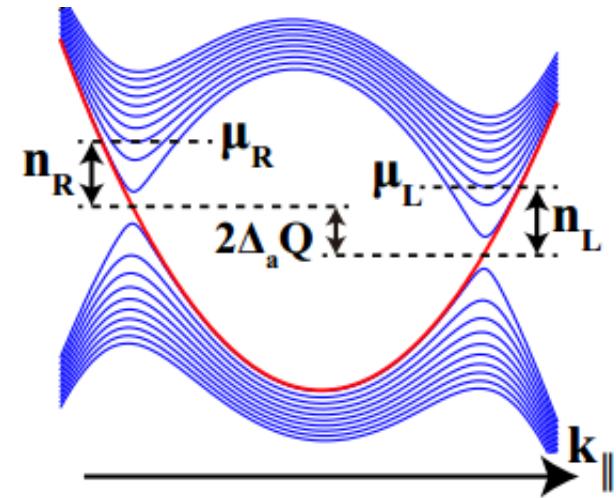
Deformation potential in longwave limit

$$\hat{H}_{ep} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{p}} \hat{\psi}_{\mathbf{K}_i + \mathbf{p}}^\dagger \Delta_{\mathbf{K}_i, Q} \hat{\psi}_{\mathbf{K}_i + \mathbf{p}} Q$$

$$\mu_i = \Delta_{\mathbf{K}_i, Q} Q$$

$$\mathbf{J}_{\text{CME}, Q} = \frac{N_W e^2 \mathbf{B}}{4\pi^2 \hbar^2} \Delta_{a, Q} Q$$

Symmetry of phonon mode



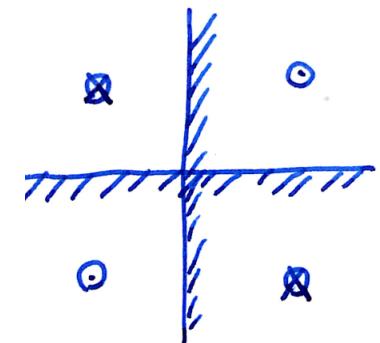
$$\Delta_{a, Q} = \frac{1}{N_W} \sum_{\mathbf{K}_i} \chi_i \Delta_{\mathbf{K}_i, Q}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N_W} \sum'_{\mathbf{K}_i} \chi_i \Delta_{\mathbf{K}_i, Q} \frac{1}{|H^{\mathbf{K}_i}|} \sum_{g \in G} \det g \cdot D_Q(g)$$

Sum over non-equivalent Weyl points

little group of K

Representation of the phonon mode



The phonon mode must behave like a pseudo scalar (Not Raman, and not infra-red active)

Example for C_{2v}

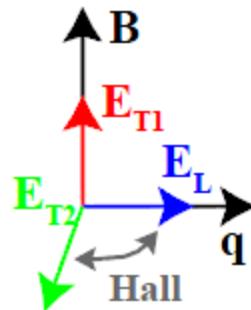
5. Detecting CME:

Pseudo scalar phonon in materials

| Materials | | Space Group | Little Group at Γ | Relevant Wyckoff Sites | SSGs | Pseudo Scalar Phonon ^a | Polarised |
|-----------|----------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------|
| Weyl | non magnetic | ABi _{1-x} Se _x Te ₃ [1] | 160 | C _{3v} | - | - | - |
| | | BiTeI under pressure [1] | 156 | C _{3v} | - | - | - |
| | | Se/Te under pressure [2] | 152/153 | D ₃ | 3a | C ₂ | A ₁ |
| | magnetic | TaAs [3, 4] | 109 | C _{4v} | - | - | - |
| | | A ₂ Ir ₂ O ₇ [5] | 227.131 ^b | O _h ^c | - | - | - |
| | | HgCr ₂ Se ₄ [6] | 141.557 ^b | D _{4h} ^c | 8c, 16h | C _{2h} , C _s | 2 × A _{1u} |
| Dirac | Class I ^d | Cu ₃ PdN [7] | 221 | O _h | - | - | - |
| | | A ₃ Bi [8] | 194 | D _{6h} | - | - | - |
| | | BaAuBi-family [9] | 194 | D _{6h} | - | - | - |
| | | LiGaGe-family [9] | 186 | C _{6v} | - | - | - |
| | | SrSn ₂ As ₂ [9] | 160 | C _{3v} | - | - | - |
| | | Cd ₃ As ₂ [10] | 137 | D _{4h} | 3 × 8g, 8f | C _s , C ₂ | 4 × A _{1u} |
| | | Cd ₃ As ₂ [10] | 110 | C _{4v} | 9 × 16b, 2 × 8a | C ₁ , C ₂ | 29 × A ₂ |
| | Class II | β -cristobalite BiO ₂ [11] | 227 | O _h | - | - | - |
| | | HfI ₃ [9] | 193 | D _{6h} | - | - | - |
| | | AMo ₃ X ₃ -family [9] | 176 | C _{6h} | 2 × 6h, 2c | C _s , C _{3h} | 3 × A _u |
| | | Distorted Spinel [12] | 74 | D _{2h} | 4a, 4d, 8h, 8i | C _{2h} , C _{2h} , C _s , C _s | 4 × A _u |

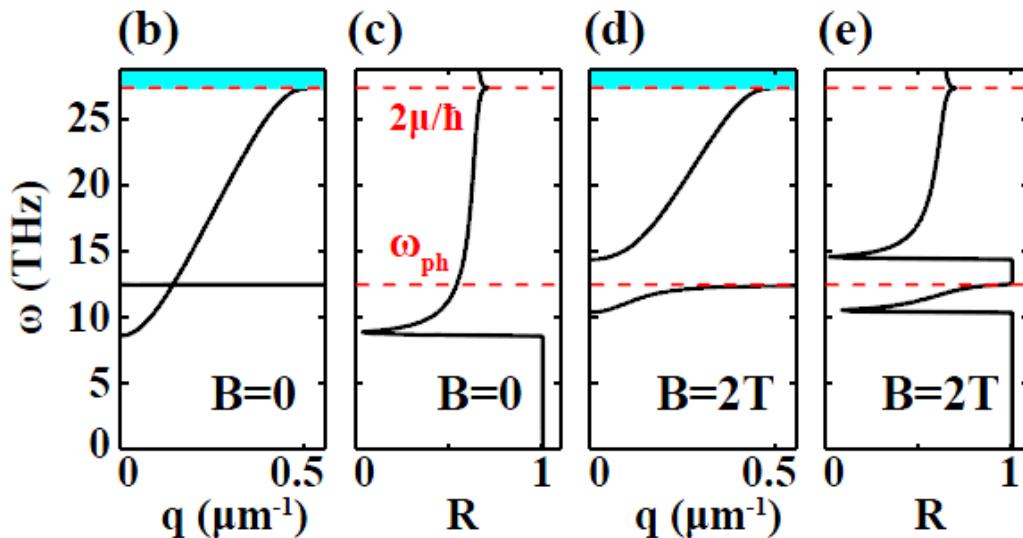
5. Detecting CME:

Transversal EM fields (non-polarized phonon)



$$-\kappa\omega^2 E_{T1} - i\frac{\omega}{\epsilon_0}\sigma_T(\omega\mathbf{q})E_{T1} + \frac{1}{\mu\epsilon_0}\mathbf{q}^2 E_{T1} - i\frac{\omega e^2 B}{4\pi^2\epsilon_0\hbar^2} \left(N_W \Delta_a Q + \frac{n_a}{\nu_D} \right) = 0$$

$$\Delta\omega \approx \frac{e^2 N_W \Delta_a |\mathbf{B}|}{\pi^2 \hbar^2} \times \sqrt{\frac{\Omega}{8\epsilon_0 M_{ph} \omega_{ph}^3 \left(\frac{2\epsilon_{r,T}^0}{\omega_{ph}} + \frac{\partial\epsilon_{r,T}^0}{\partial\omega} \right)_{\omega_{ph}, \mathbf{q}_0}}}$$



Song, et.al,
PRB 94, 214306 (2016).

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Summary:

- 1. Topological States (Insulators & Semimetals) in K-space.**
- 2. Efficient Wilson Loop Method.**
- 3. Dirac SM: Na_3Bi , Cd_3As_2**
- 4. Weyl SM: HgCr_2Se_4 , TaAs , NbAs , TaP , NbP**
- 5. Detecting CME by lattice dynamics**
- 6. Open questions:**
 - (1) MR is very complicated?**
 - (2) Superconductivity in doped WSM?**
 - (3) A single pair of Weyl nodes?**
 - (4) Controlling of Chiral Anomaly**
 - (5)**