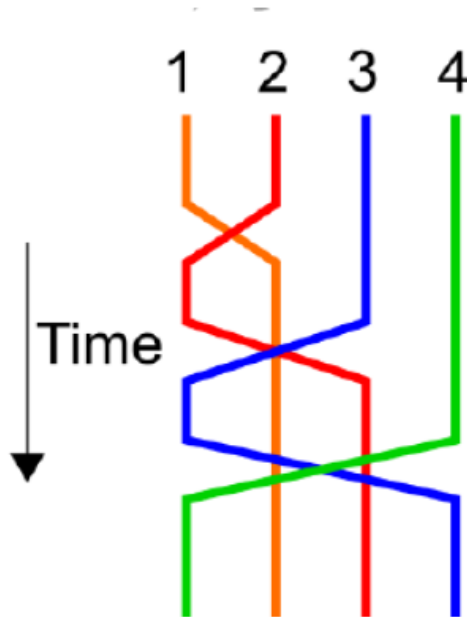
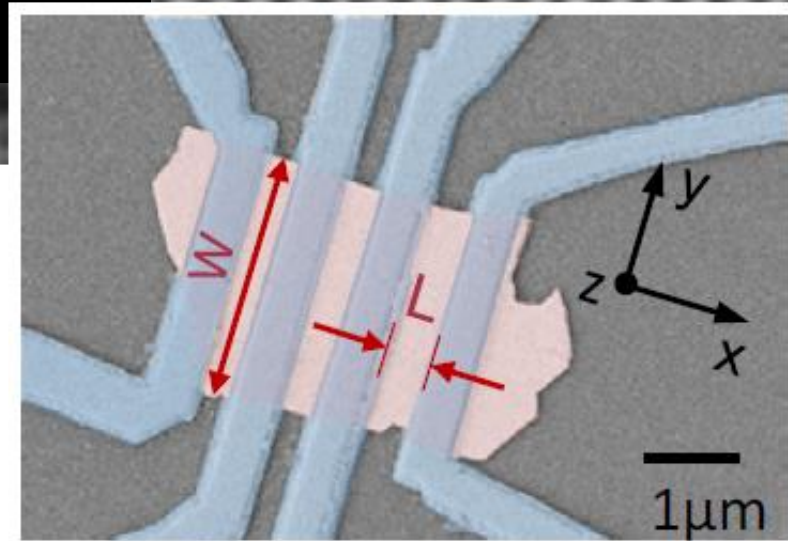


# Bismuth based topological Josephson junctions

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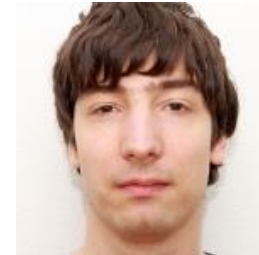
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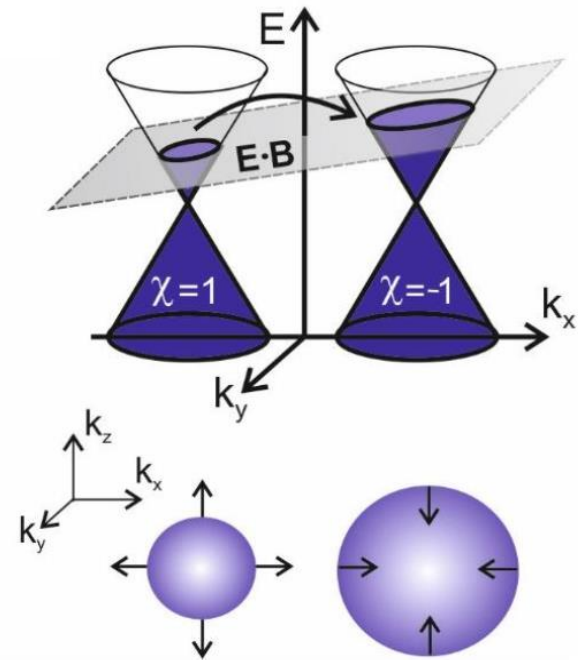
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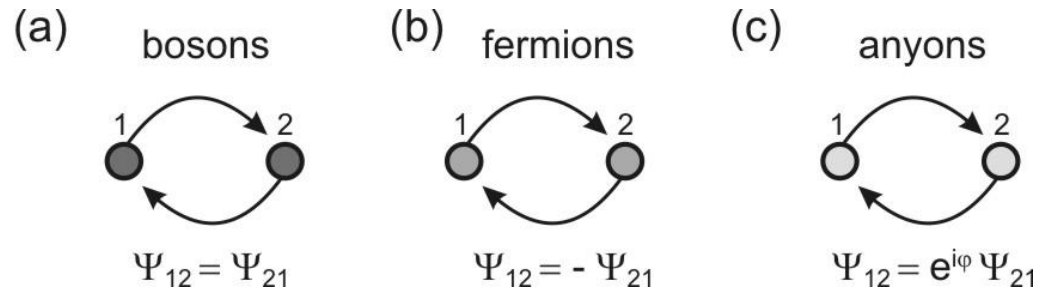
## 3D helical **spin-momentum locking** of Dirac semimetal



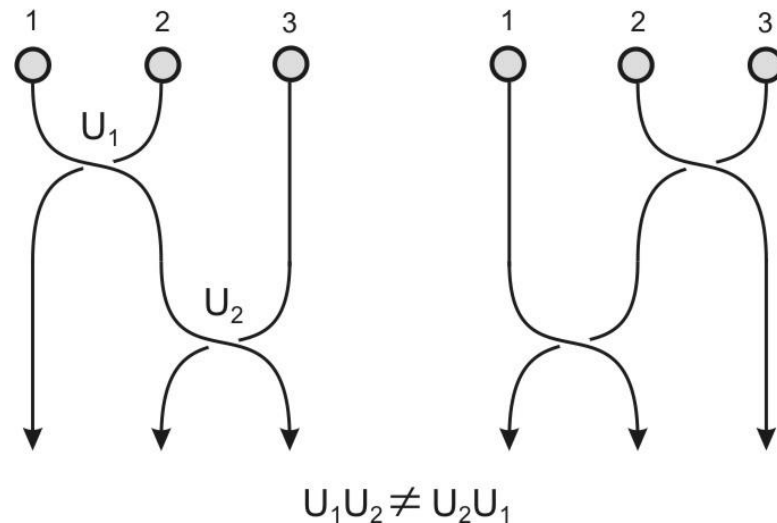
- Topological transport
- $4\pi$ -periodic Andreev bound states
- Zeeman induced  $\pi$ -junction



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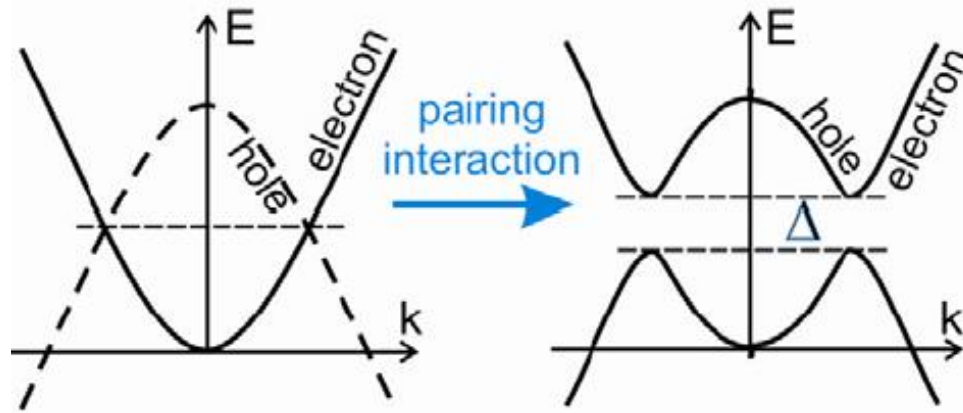
non-abelian anyons



*“Qubits stored in topology are less likely to be affected by their environment.”*

**Microsoft**

# Majoranas in superconductors?

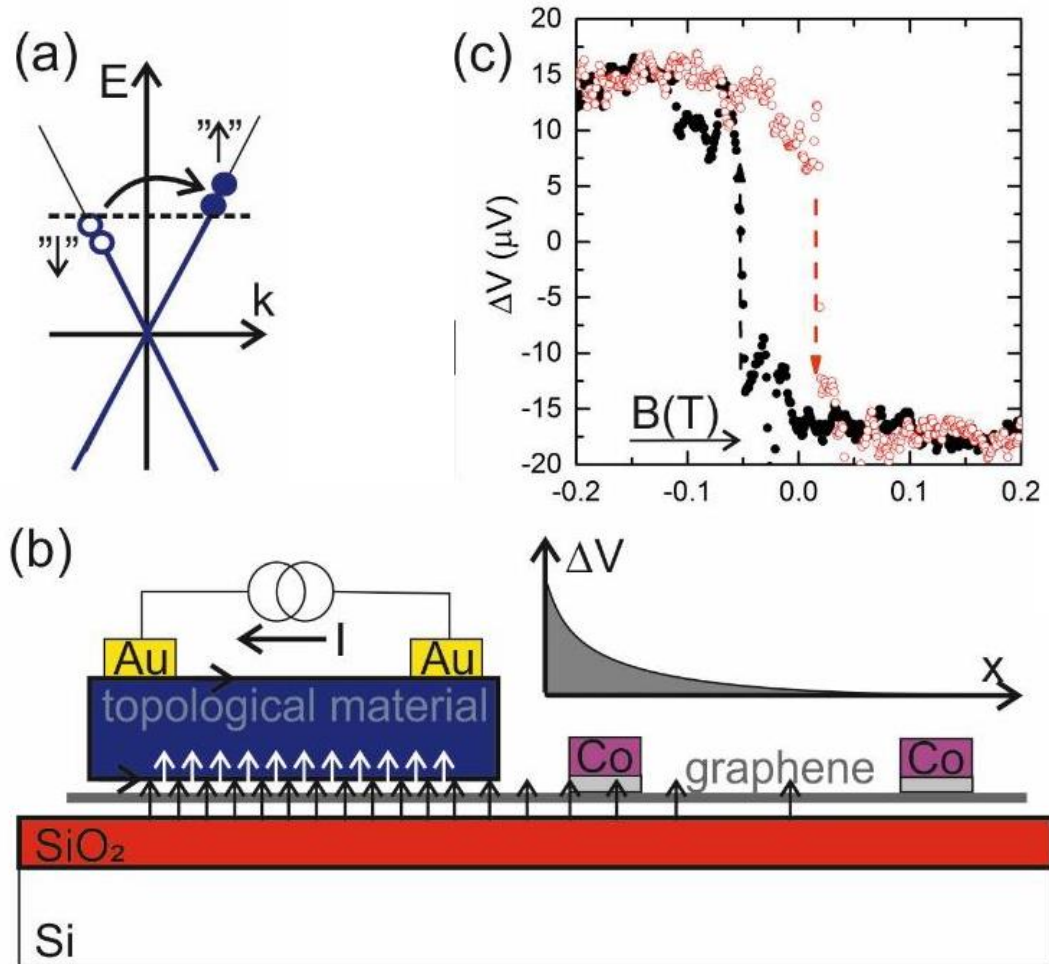


Bogoliubov quasiparticles:  $\gamma_{\epsilon} = \gamma_{-\epsilon}^{\dagger}$

Needed for Majorana:  $\gamma_{\epsilon} = \gamma_{\epsilon}^{\dagger}$

→ Zero energy state required

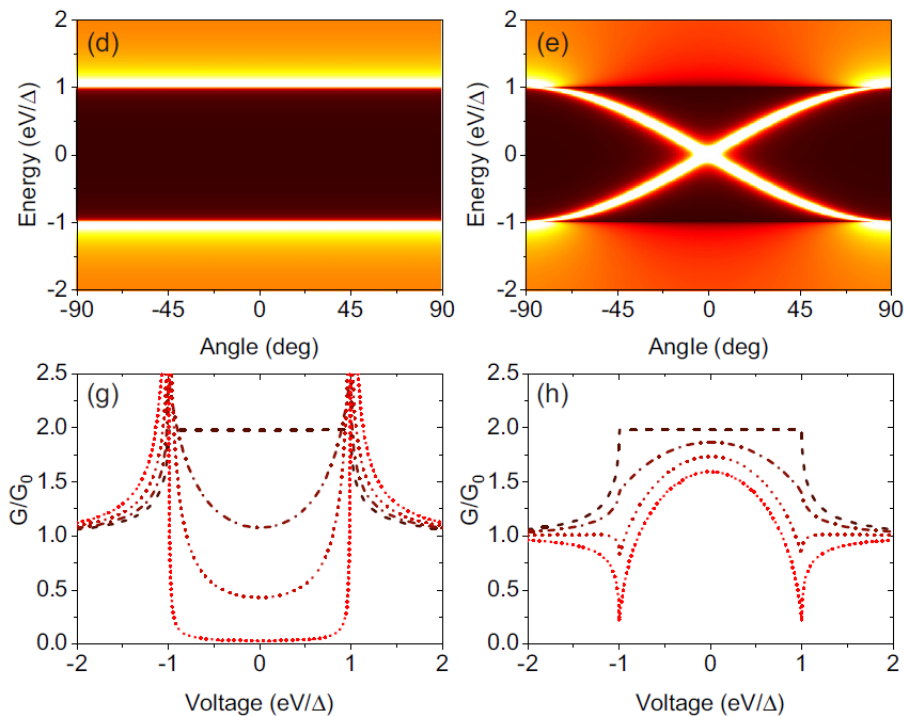
# Spin-momentum locking



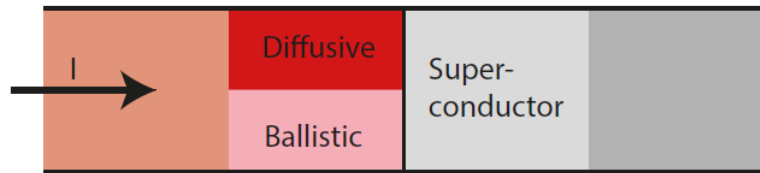
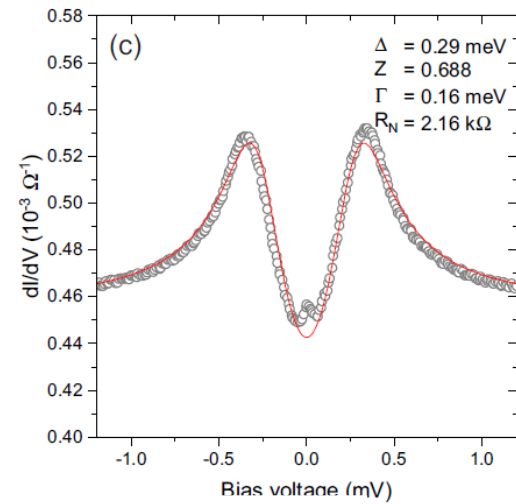
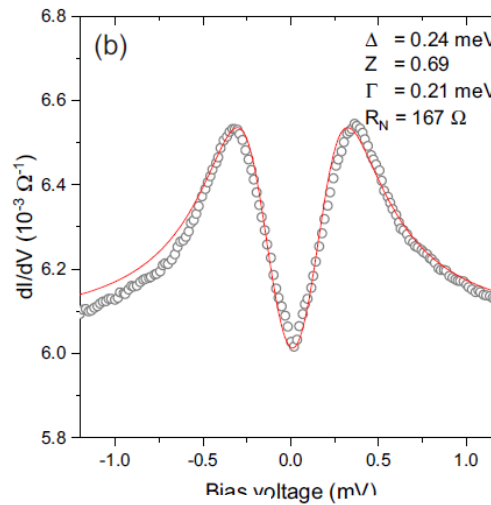
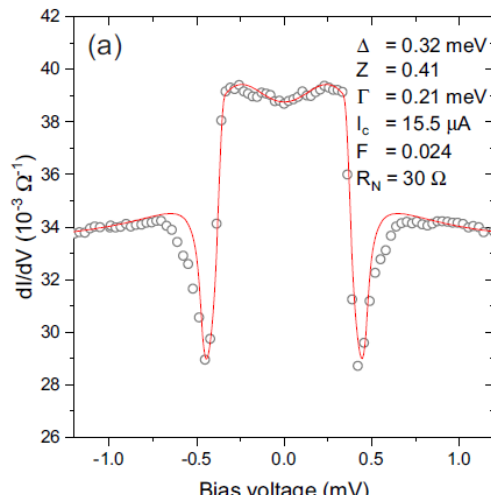
# Topology and superconductivity

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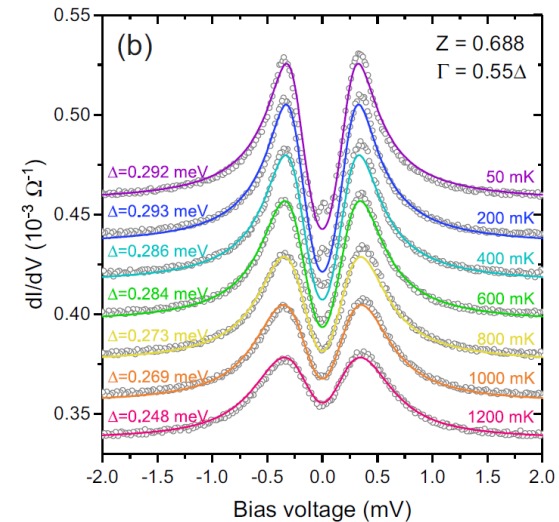
3D chiral  $p$ :



# PdTe<sub>2</sub> type II Dirac semimetal



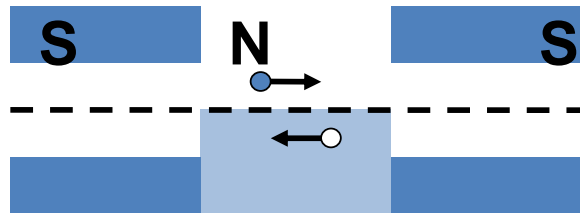
Dominant s-wave superconductor...



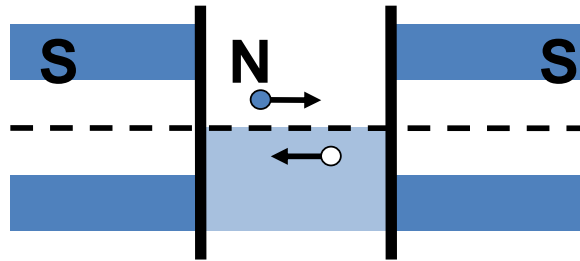


# Why topological Josephson junctions?

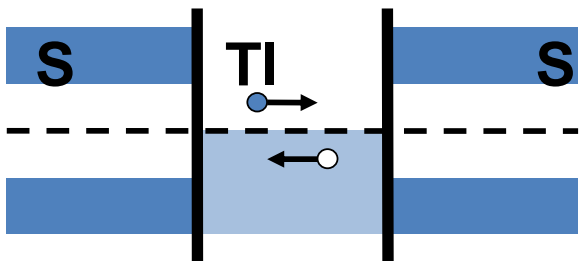
Standard SNS:



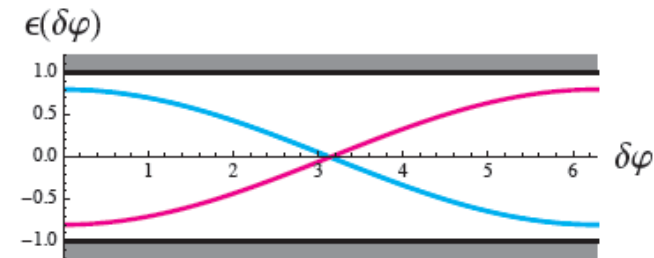
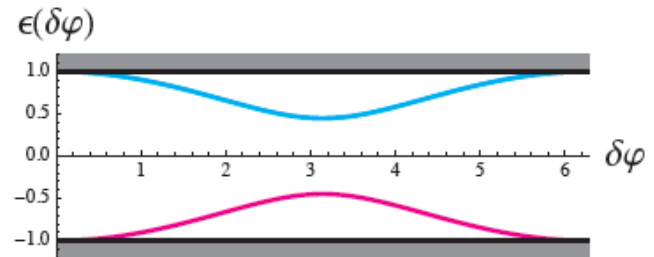
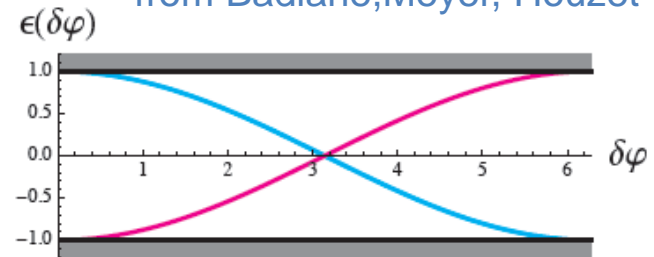
Including interface barrier:



With topological interlayer:

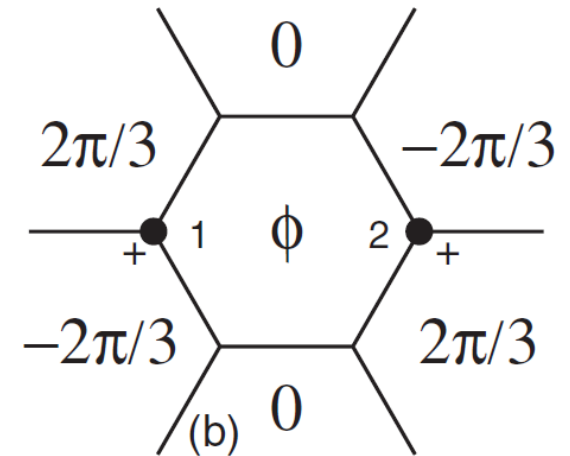
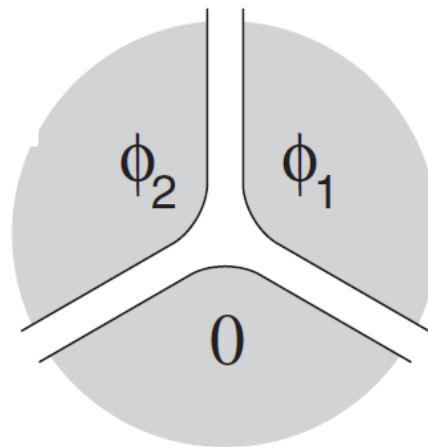
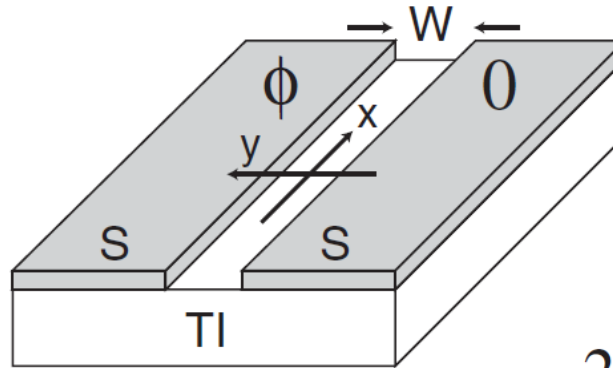
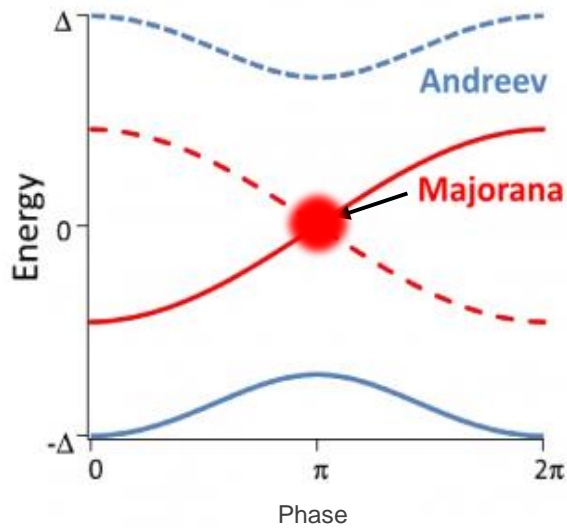


Calculations and figure from Badiane, Meyer, Houzet



# Majorana manipulation on a surface

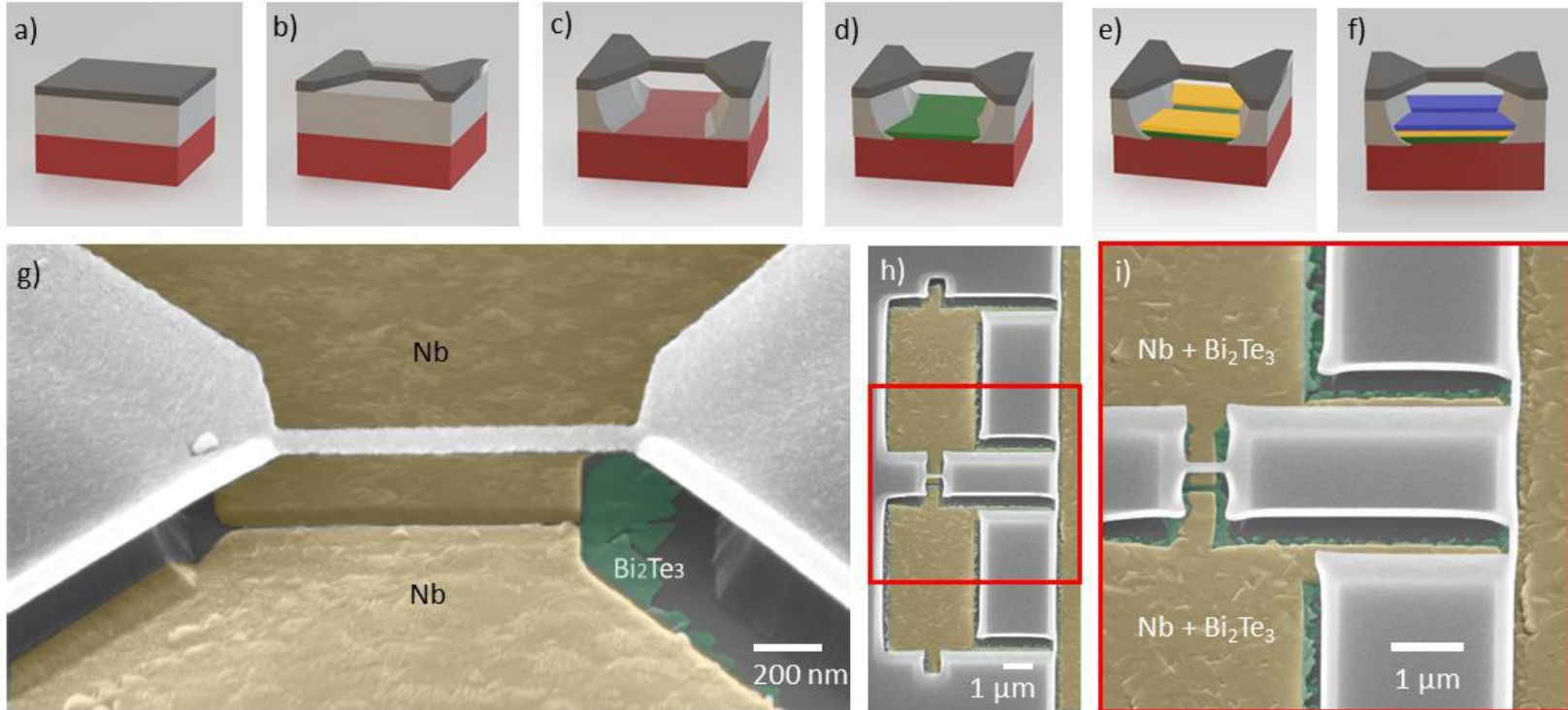
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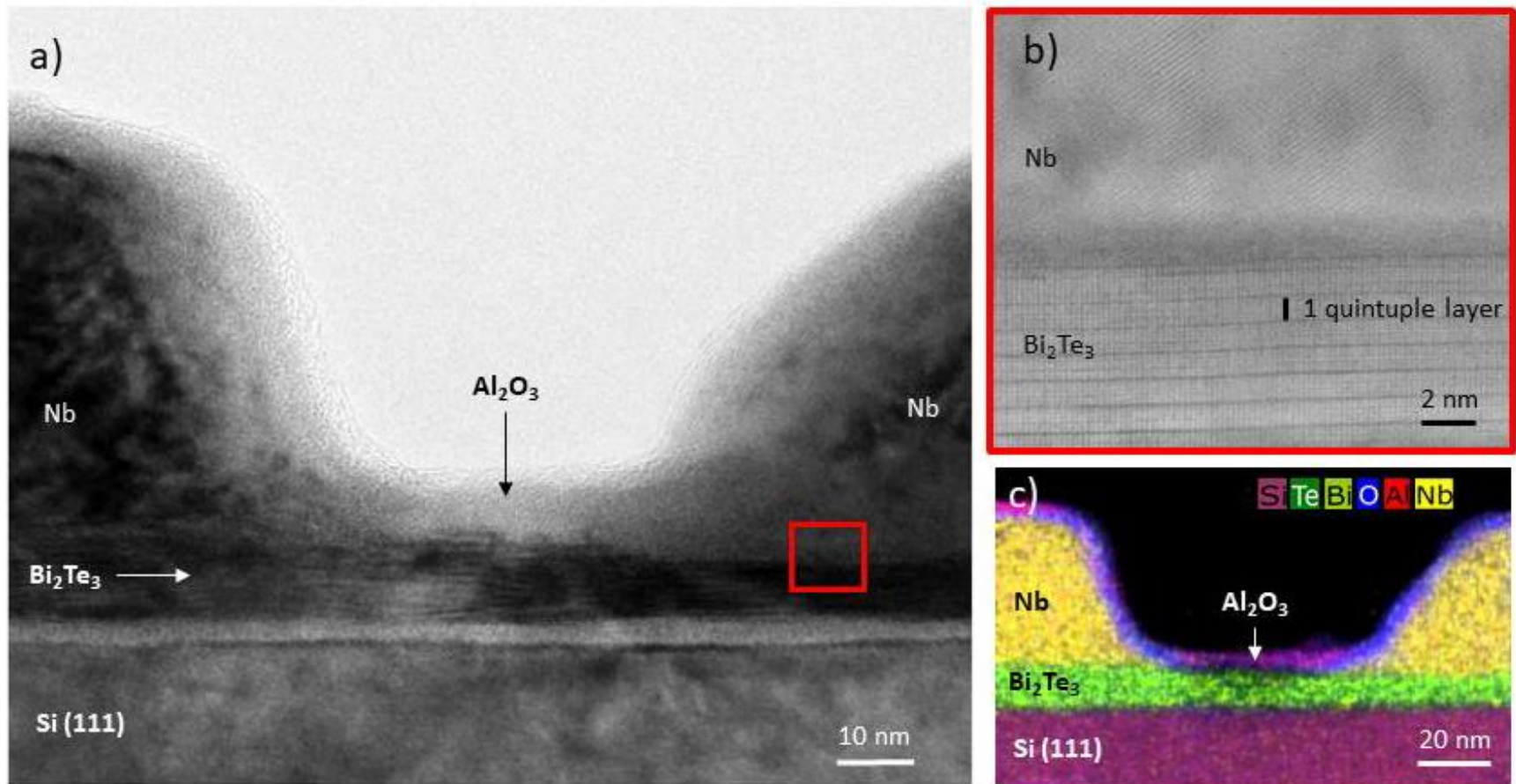
# Advanced device fabrication

In situ electrode deposition by shadow mask technology → enhanced IcRn

Selective area growth → towards 1D



# Advanced device fabrication

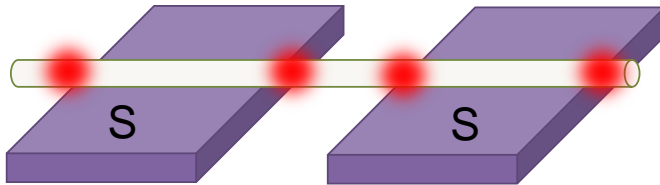


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# Majoranas

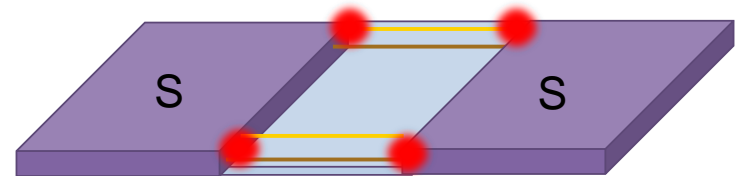
## 1D Nanowires (InAs, InSb... )

Strong evidence (Delft, Lund, Copenhagen)



## 1D edges of 2D QSH (HgTe)

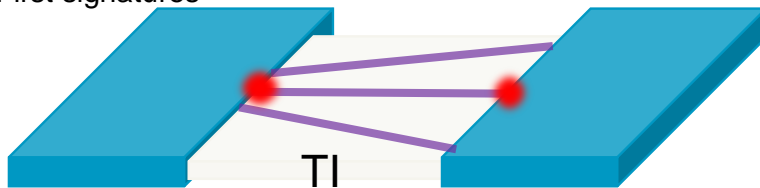
Strong evidence (Würzburg)



## 2D surface states of 3D topological insulators

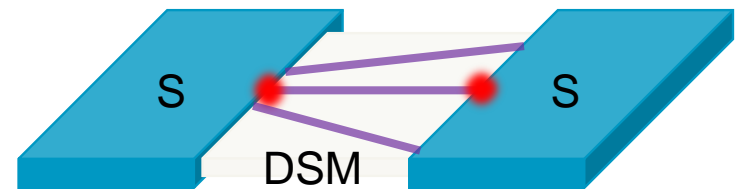
( $\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$ ,  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$ ,  $\text{Bi}_1\text{Sb}_1\text{Te}_1\text{Se}_2$ )

First signatures

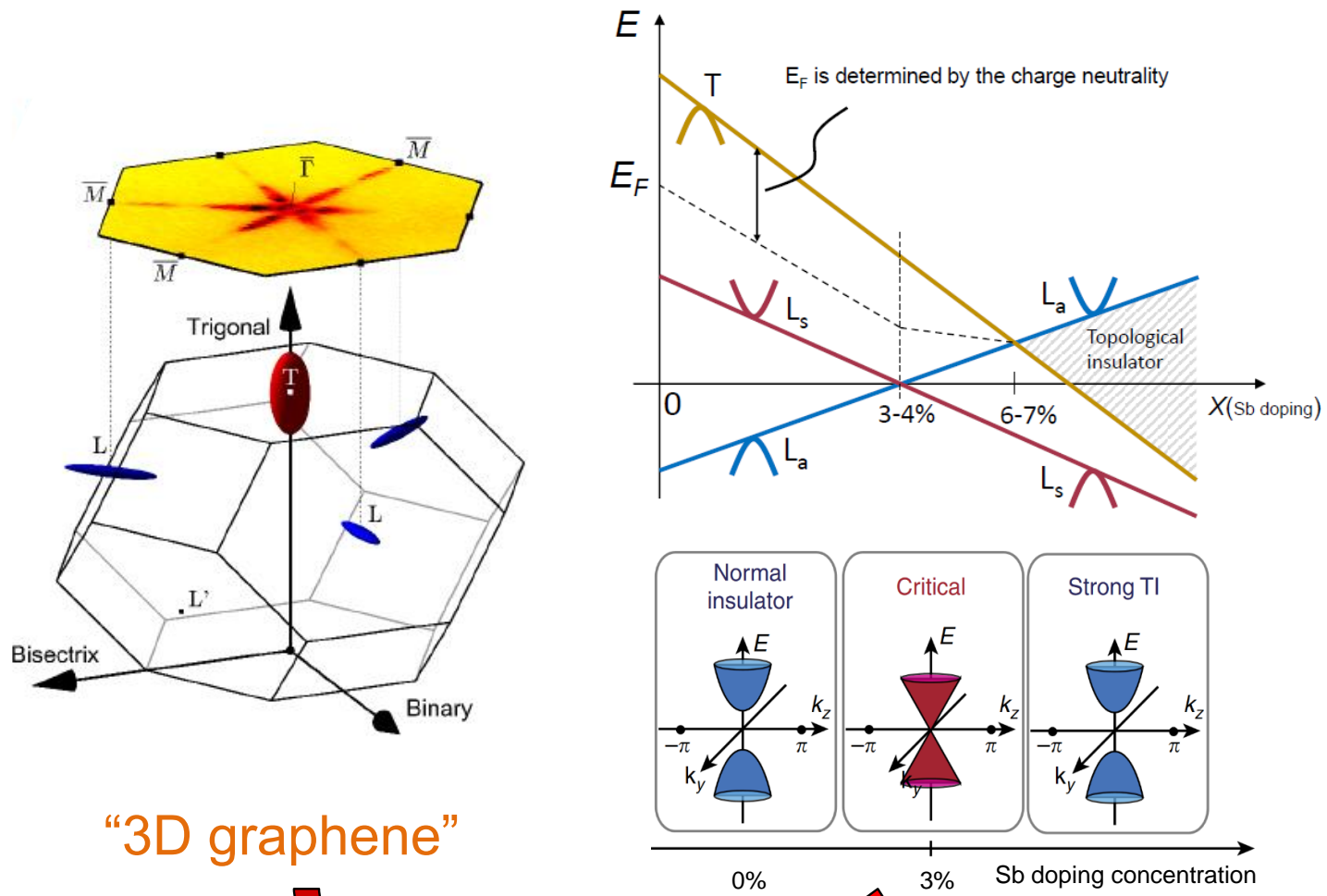


## 3D bulk states (Dirac/Weyl semimetals)

This talk



# 3D Dirac semimetal $\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Sb}_x$



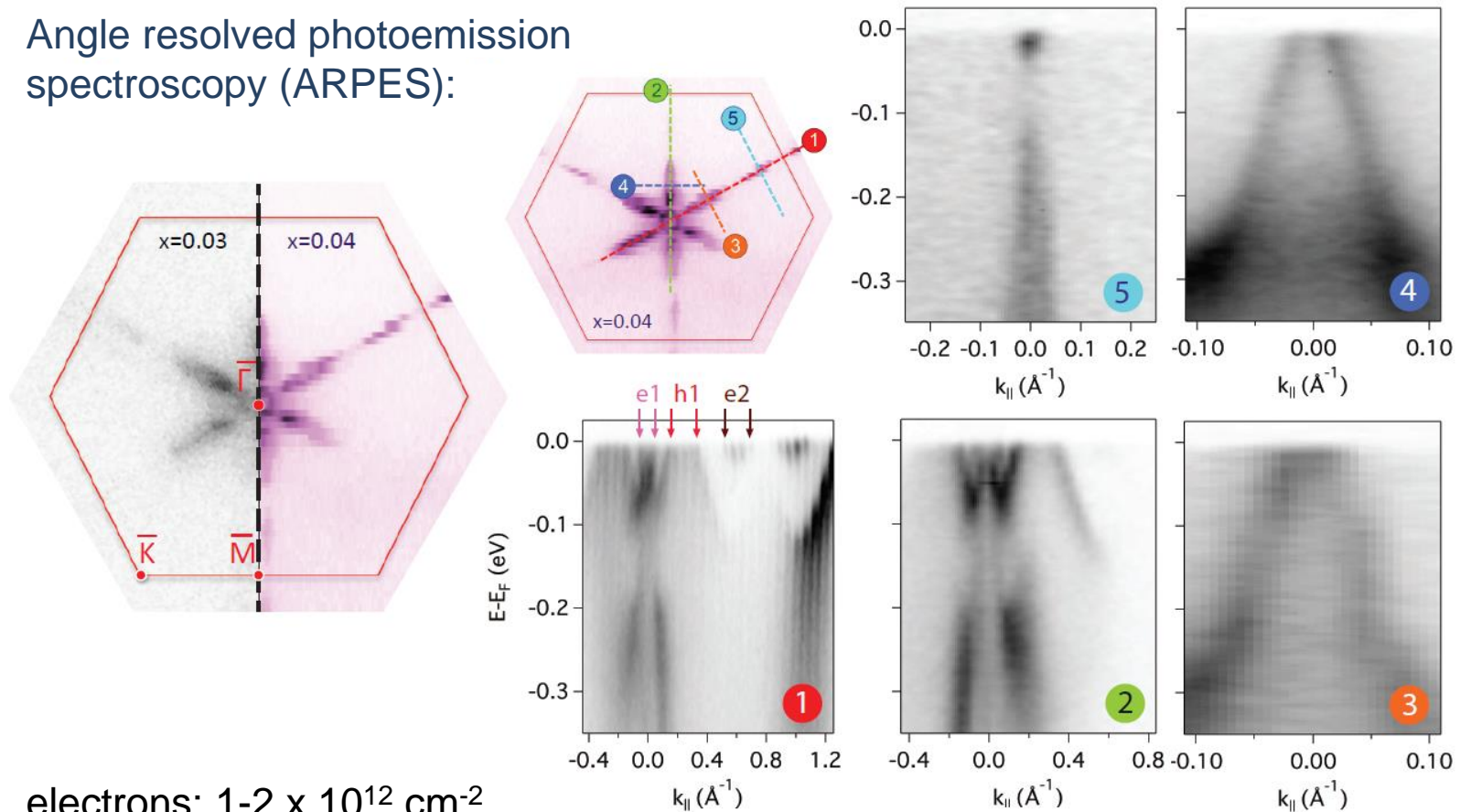
“3D graphene”





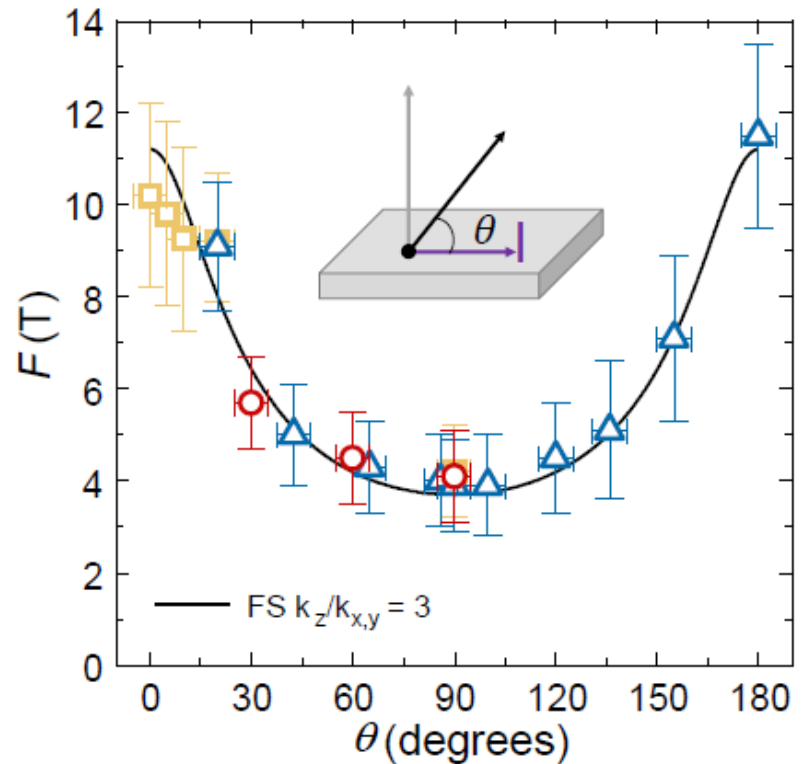
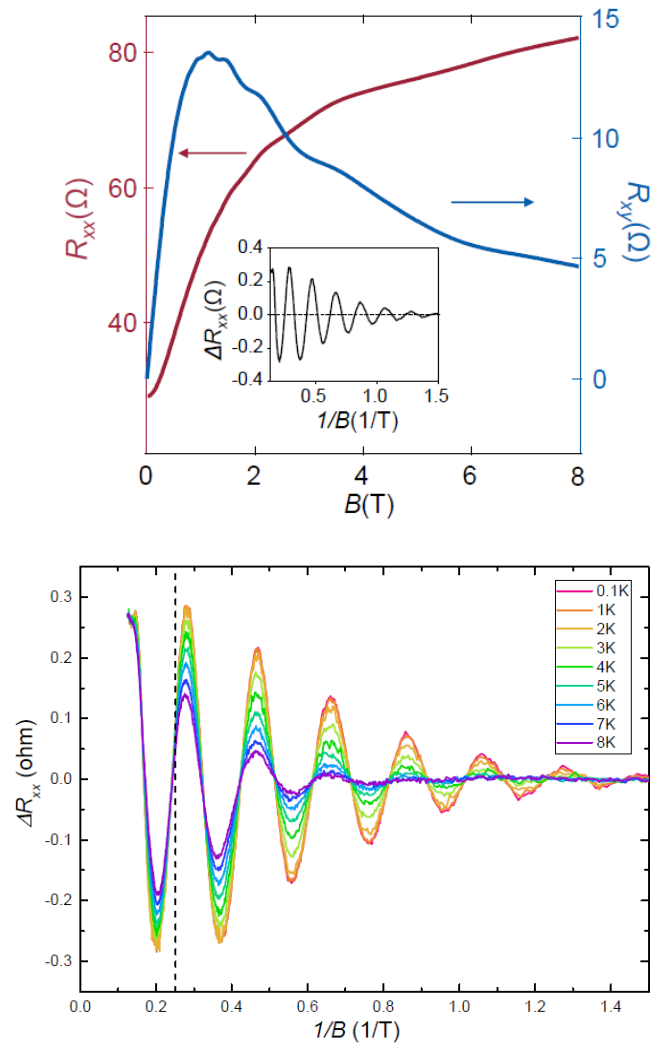
# Surface (111) of $\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Sb}_x$

Angle resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES):



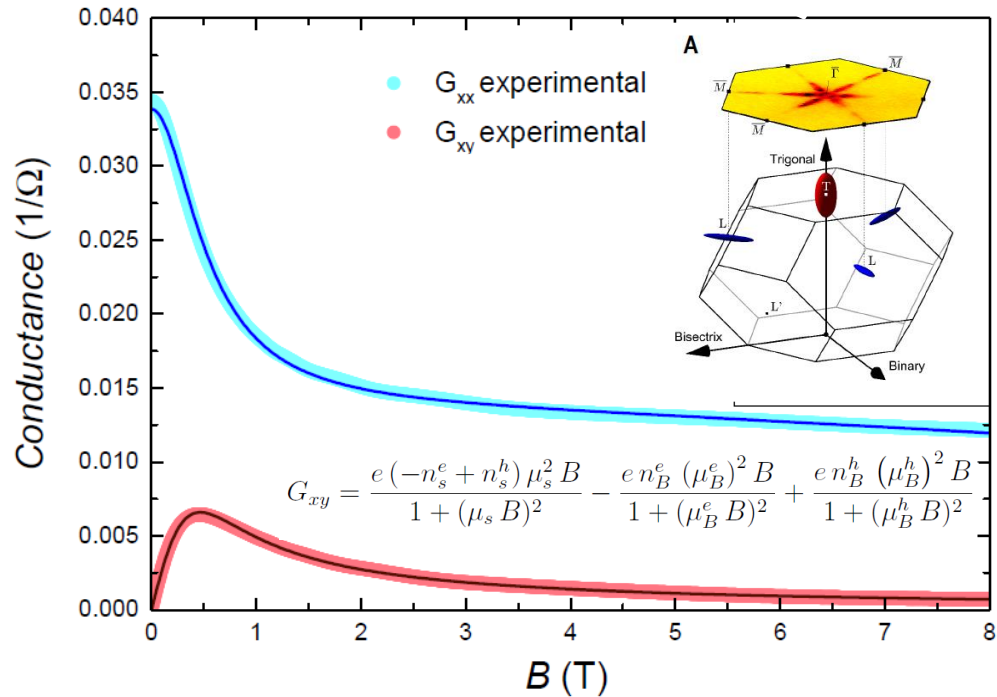
electrons:  $1-2 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$   
holes:  $1-2 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

# Quantum oscillations of bulk holes





# Multiband magnetotransport



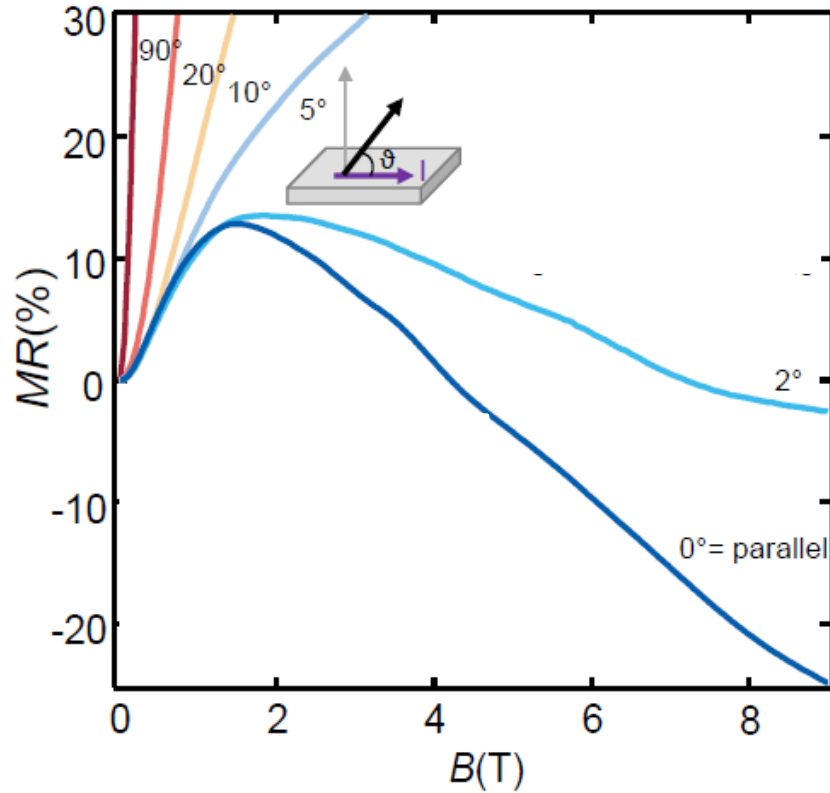
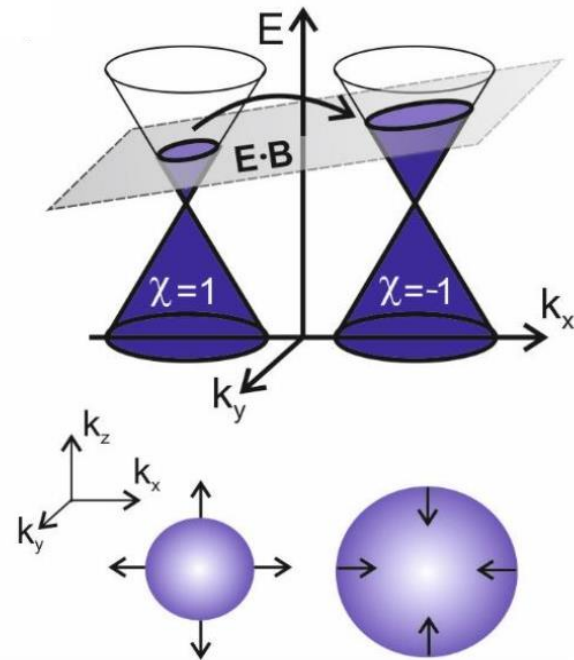
Electrons in the bulk Dirac cone:

$$0.2 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$E_F = \hbar (\pi^2 n_e v_1 v_2)^{1/3} = 16 \text{ meV}$$

# Chiral anomaly in $\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Sb}_x$

Polarization of chirality:



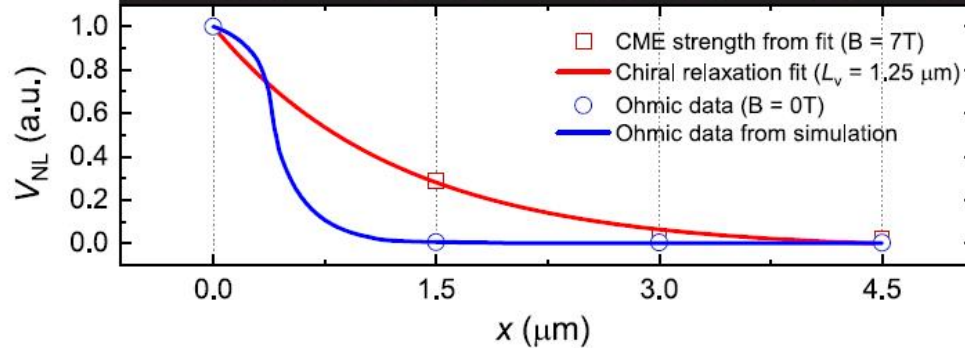
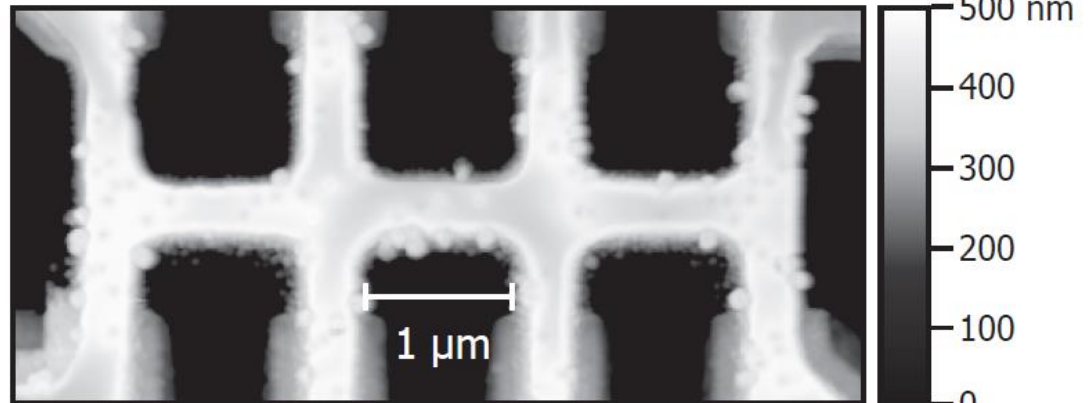
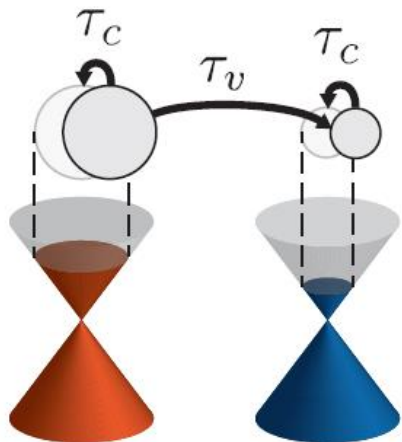
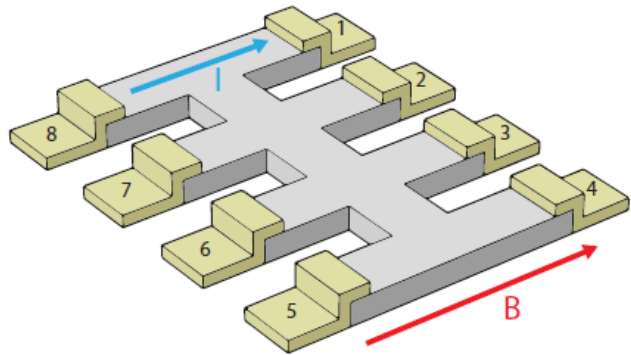
Analogy pion decay:



**Negative longitudinal magnetoresistance (LMR)**

**3%✓ 4%✗**

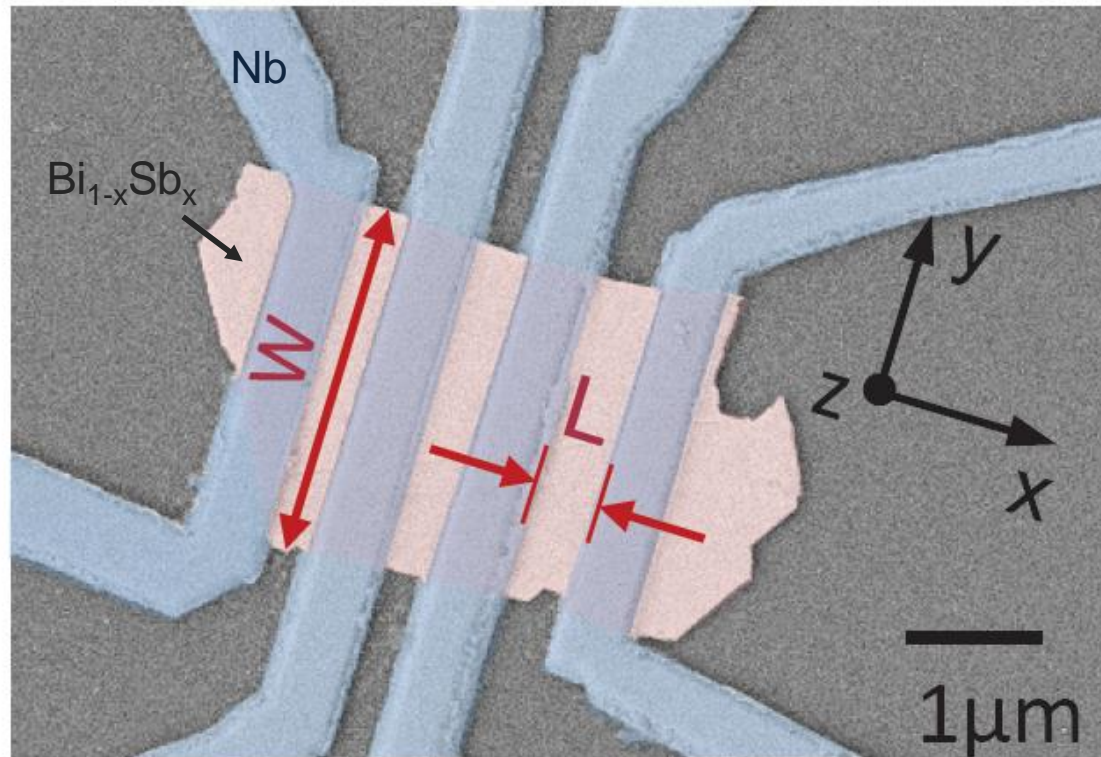
# Monopole diffusion



$$\frac{\partial \rho_{\pm}}{\partial t} = f(\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}) \frac{e^2}{4\pi^2 \hbar^2} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

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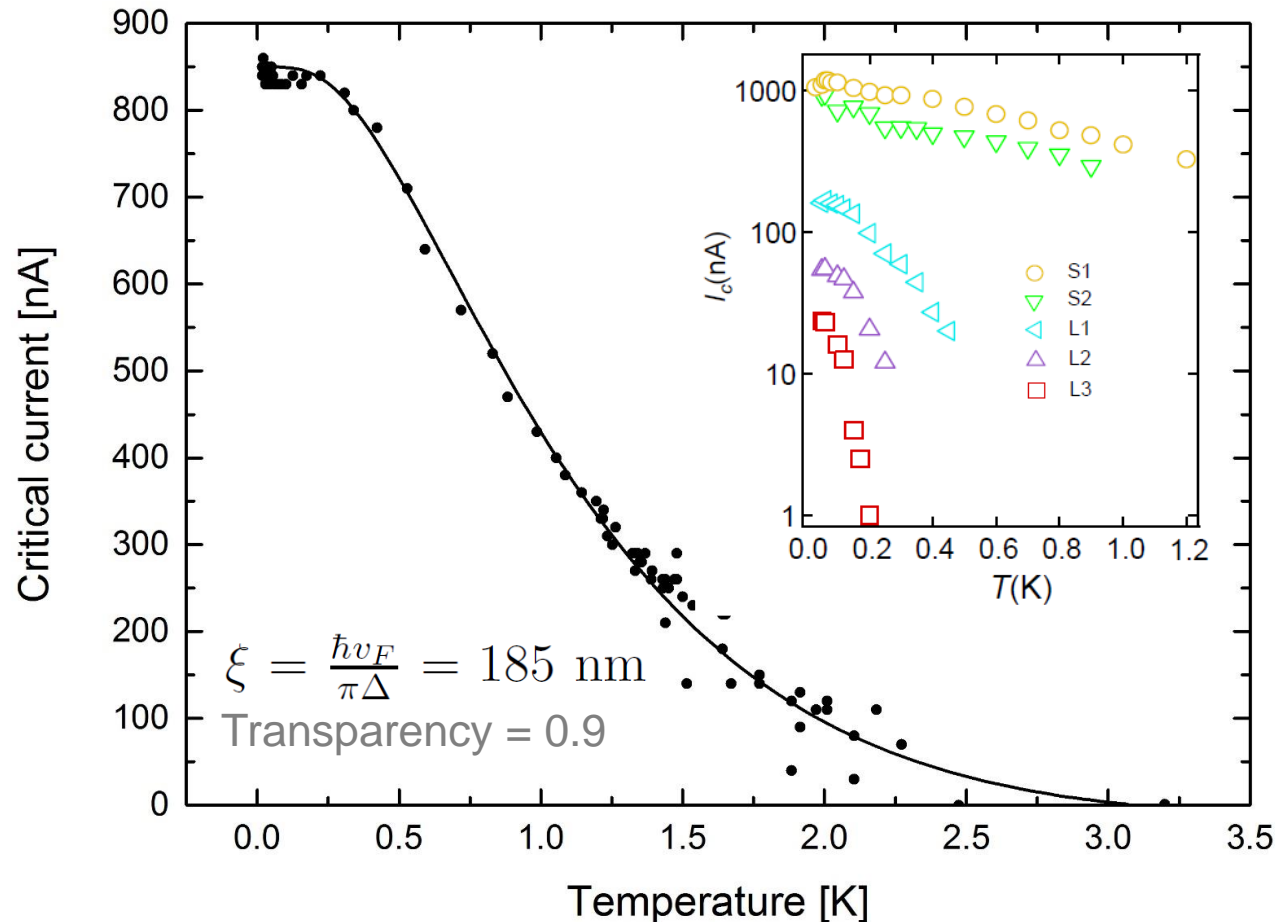
# $\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Sb}_x$ Josephson junctions



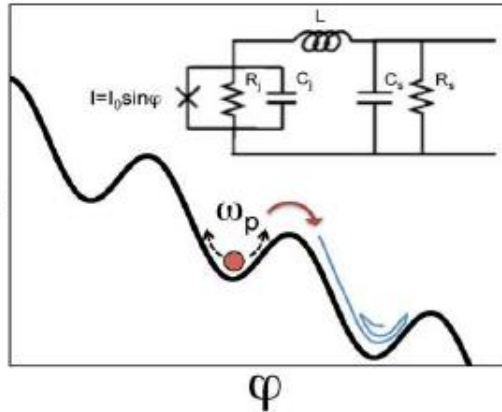
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# Bi<sub>1-x</sub>Sb<sub>x</sub> Josephson junctions, x=0.03

Ballistic 500 nm Josephson junctions:

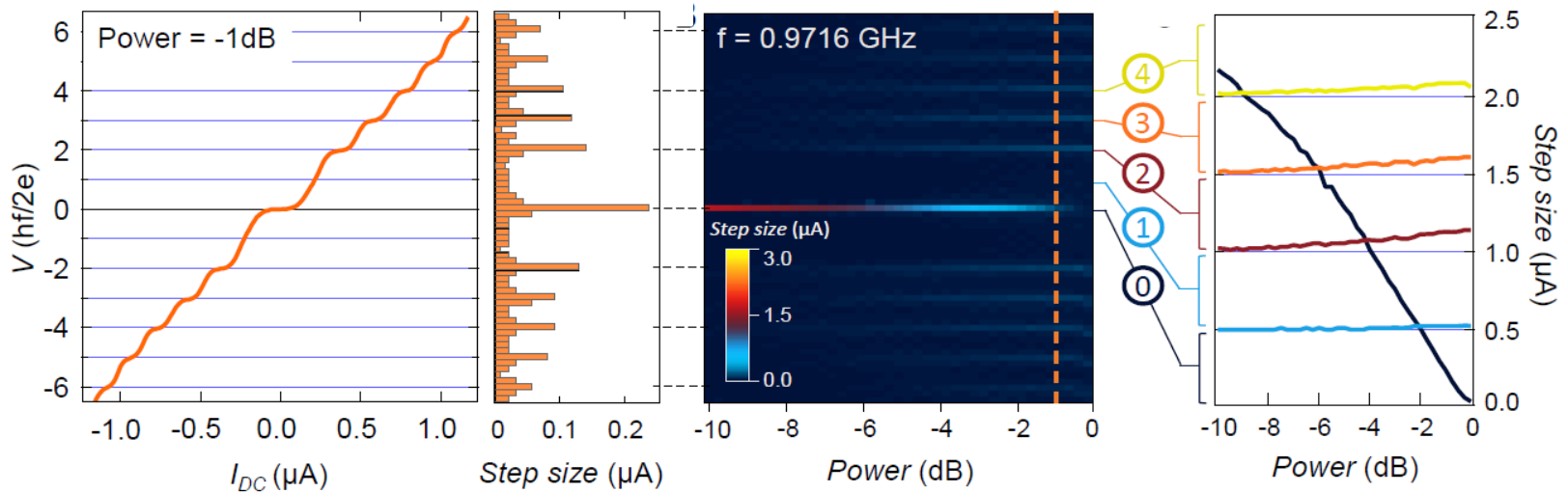
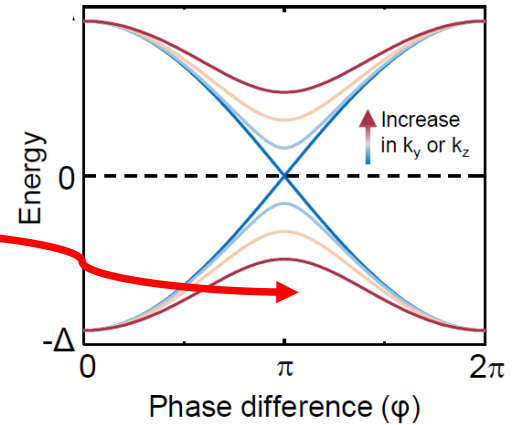


# Observation of $4\pi$ -periodic supercurrent

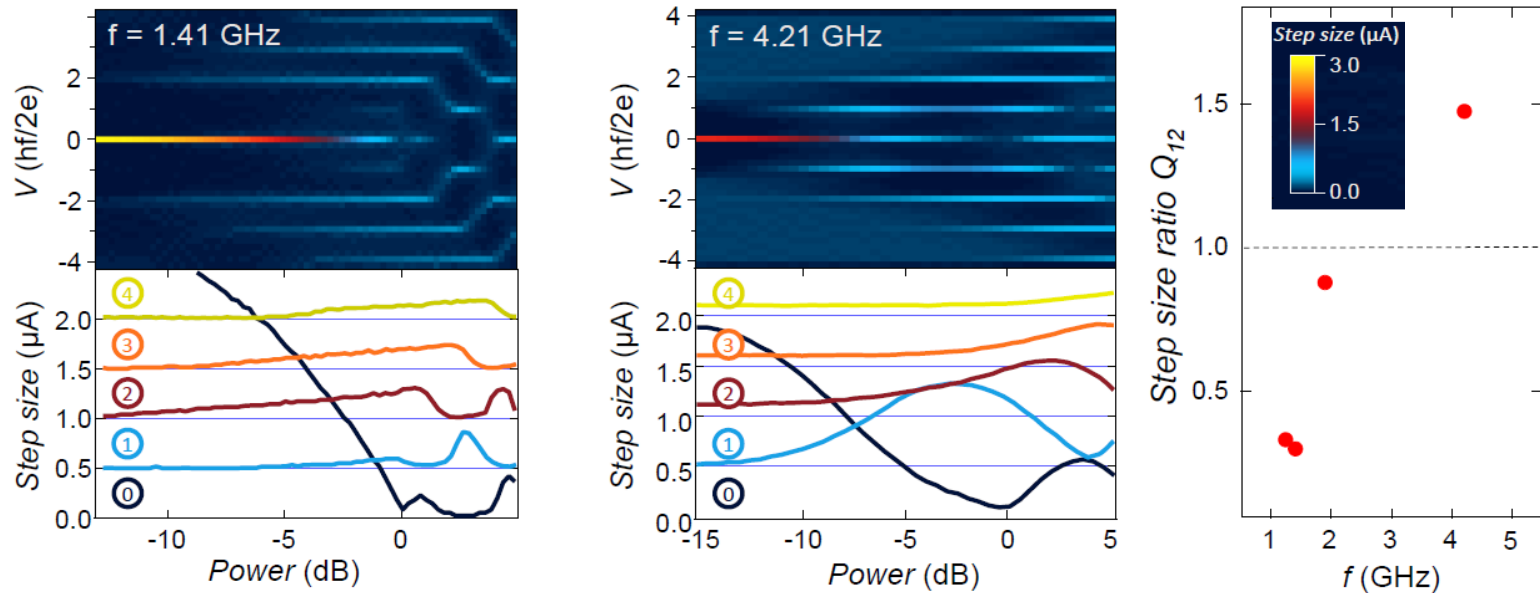


Microwave irradiation:

$$n \frac{h}{2e} \nu$$



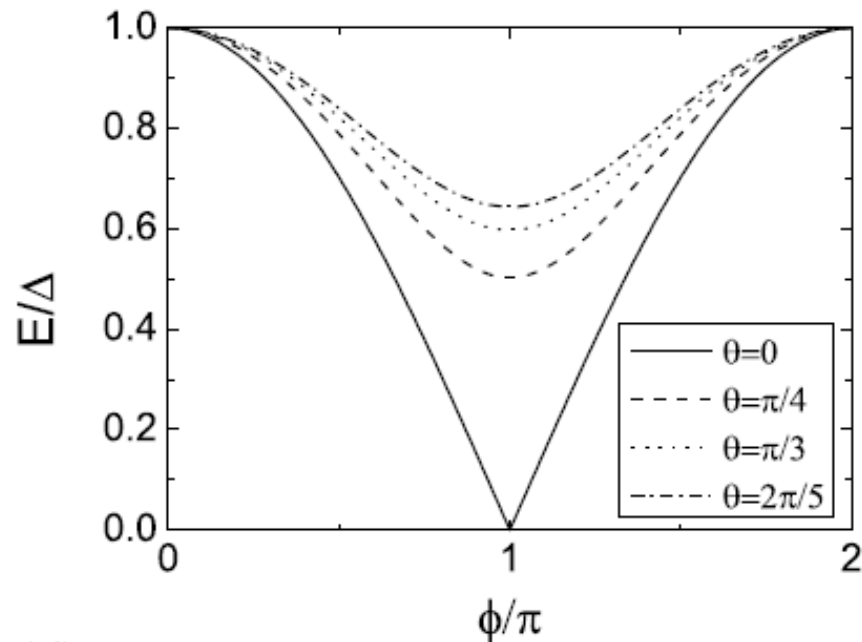
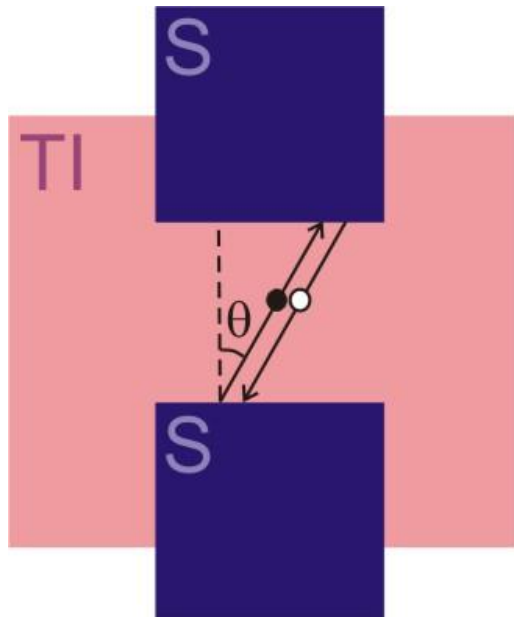
# Recovery of $2\pi$ -periodicity



$$f_c = \frac{2e}{h} R_N I_c^{4\pi} \quad I_c^{4\pi} = 0.2 \mu A$$

From the critical frequency we obtain:  $I_{4\pi} > 20\%$  of  $I_c$

# Non-perpendicular trajectories



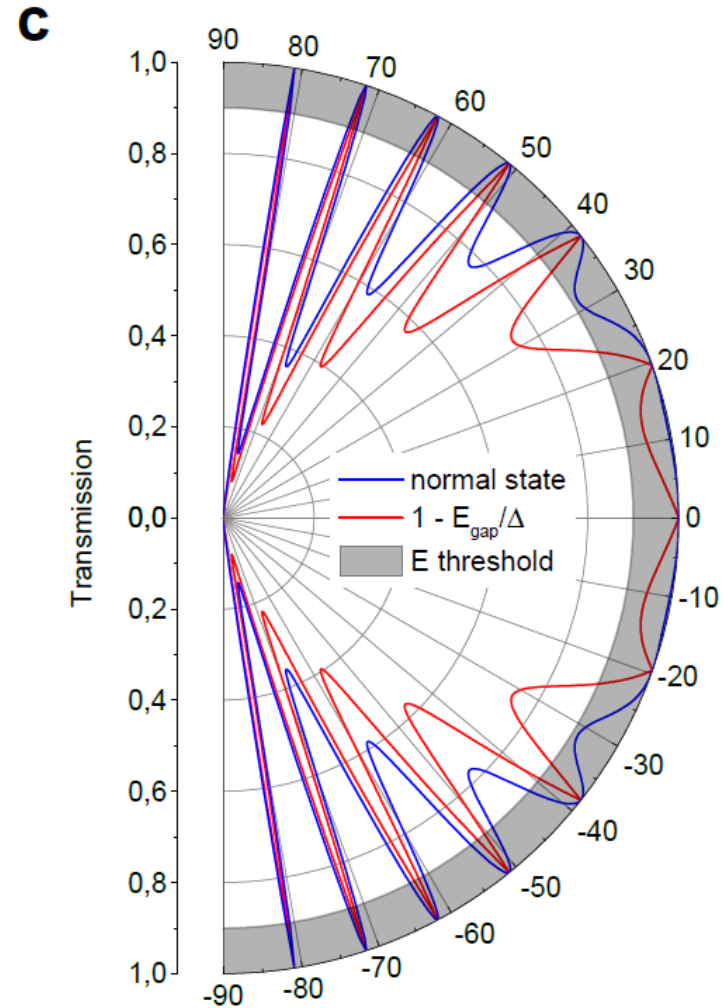
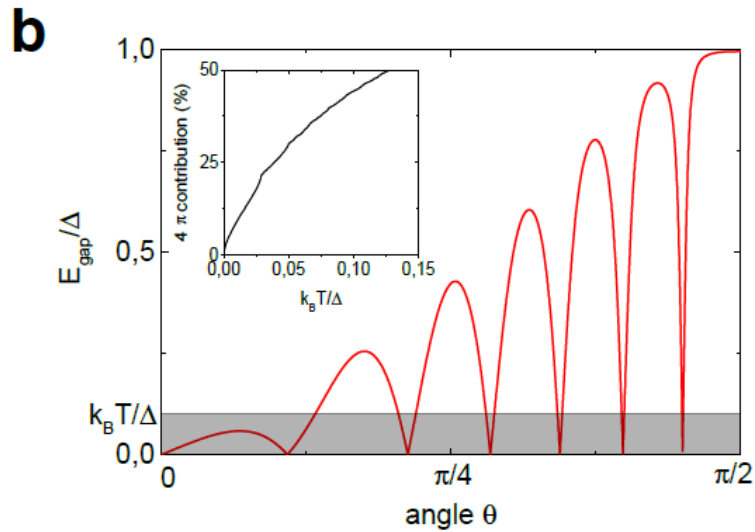
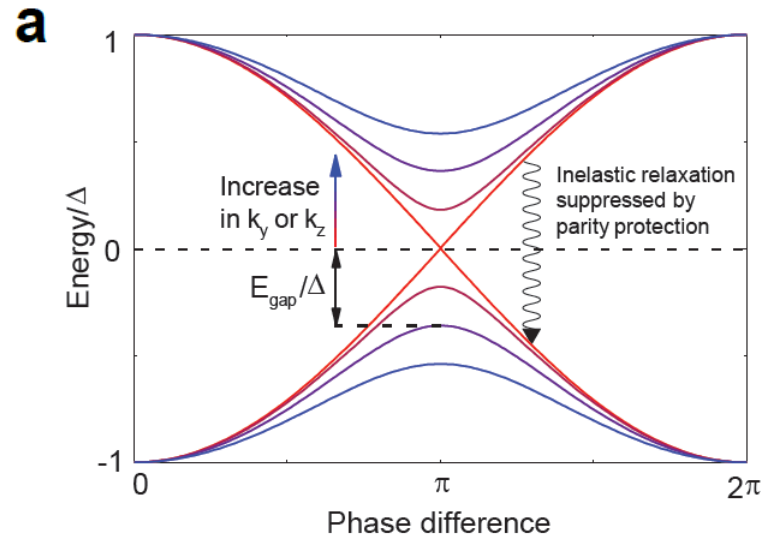
**Towards single channel:**

1. Quantization of transverse momentum
2. Including a magnetic layer

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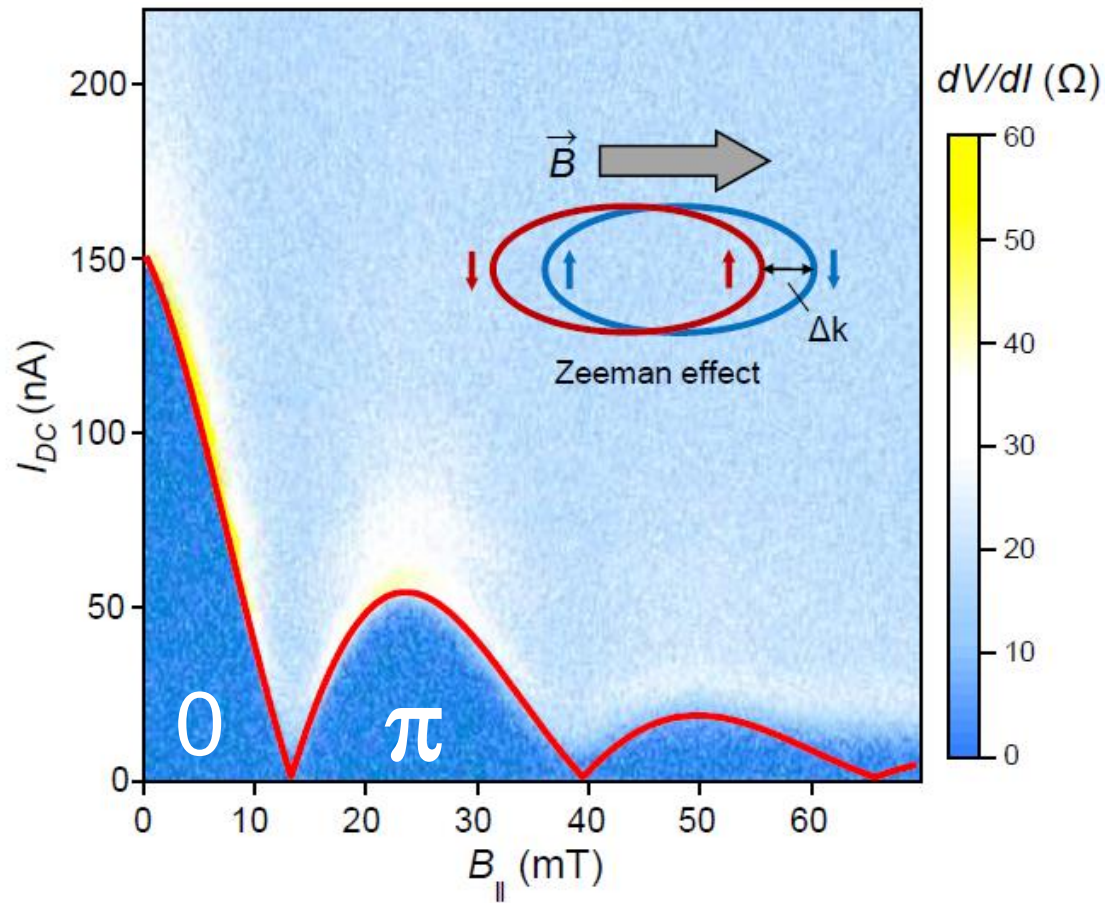


# 'Majorana' percentage

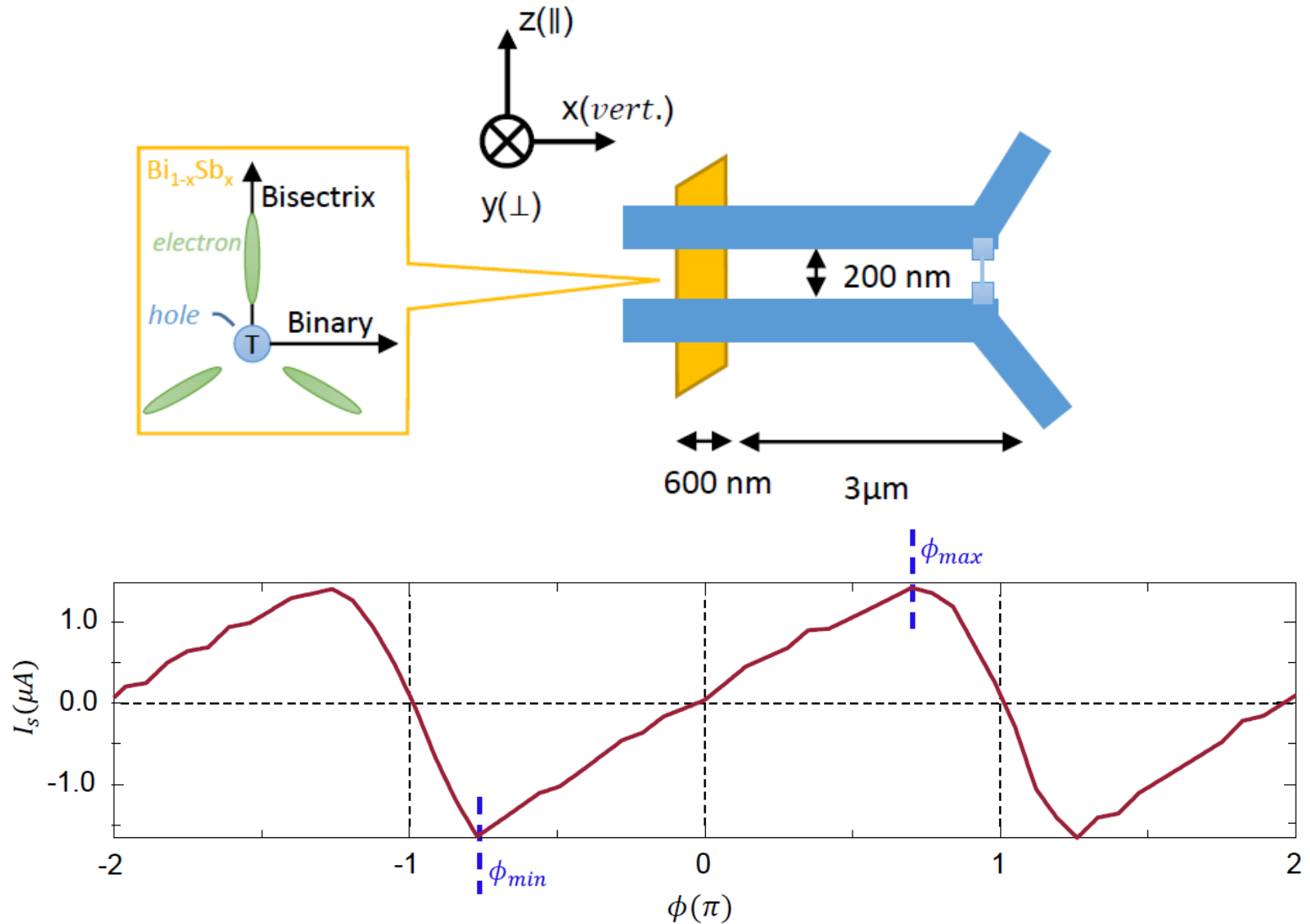


# Giant Zeeman effect in Dirac cone

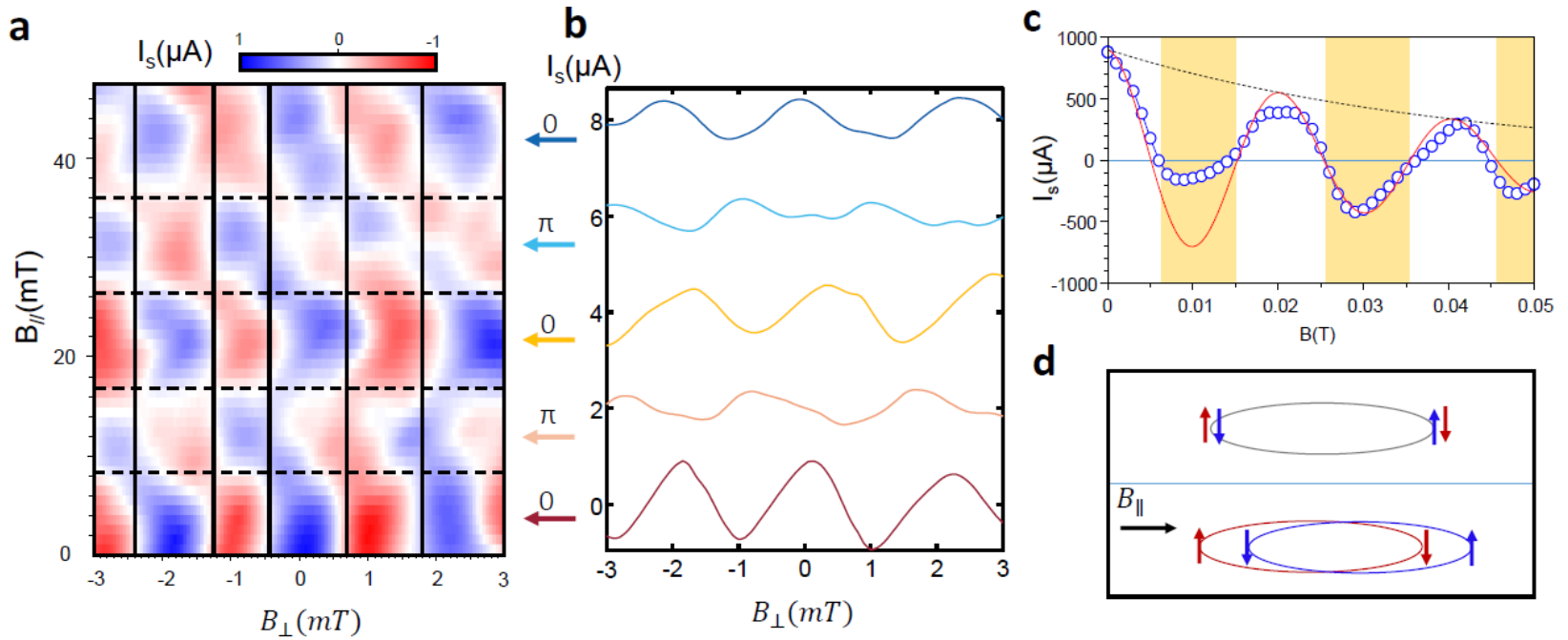
$$\Delta k_x = \frac{g\mu_B B_x}{\hbar v_F} \quad \text{with } g = 1000$$



# Asymmetric SQUID for current-phase relation



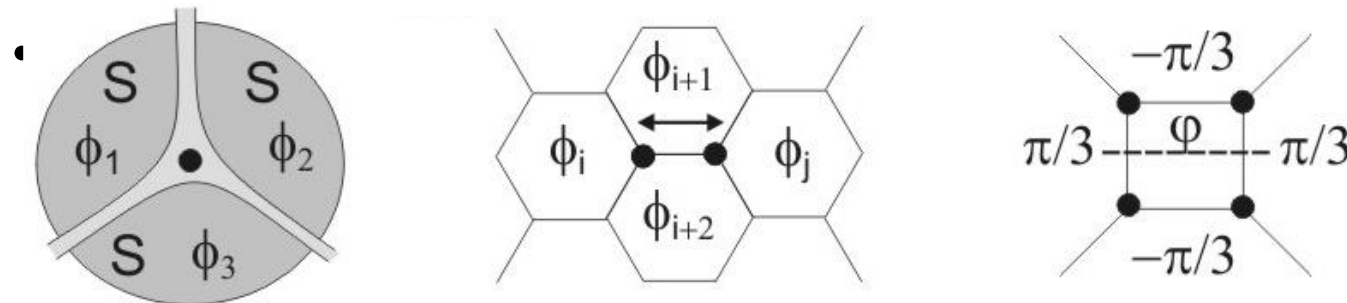
# 0 – pi transitions



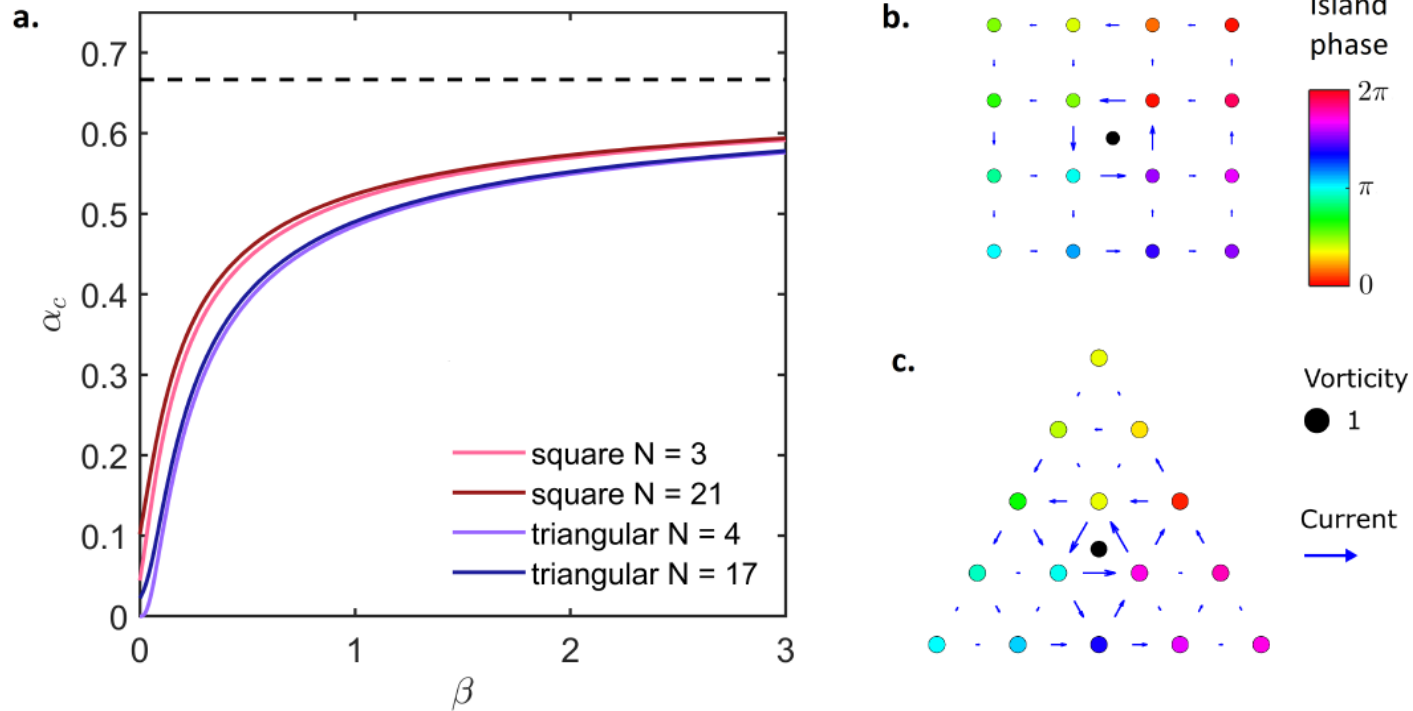
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# Conclusion and outlook

- Josephson supercurrent observed in several topological Josephson junctions
- Largest Majorana signal in the 3D Dirac semimetal
- Thin films & gating needed



# Outlook: Majorana vortex lattice

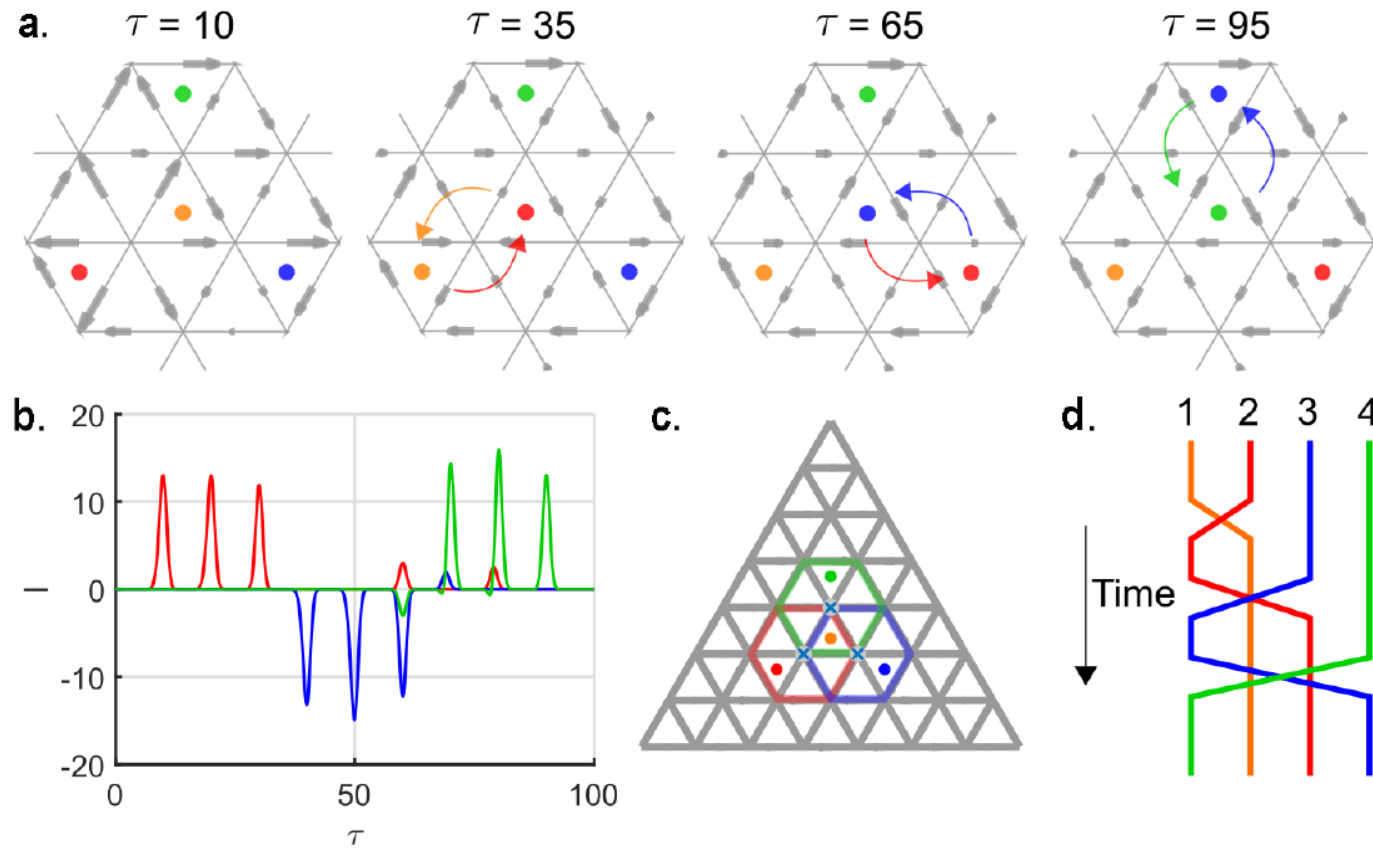


$$\alpha = I_c^{4\pi} / (I_c^{2\pi} + I_c^{4\pi})$$

$\beta$ . = dimensionless self inductance of the loop

# Outlook: Majorana vortex lattice

Using *local current pulses* instead of flux biasing



Compatible with GHz rapid single flux quantum (RSFQ) technology?

# Outlook: Majorana vortex lattice

Using *global* current pulses and trap sites

