

Origins of Nonlocal Resistance in Multiterminal Graphene: Spin Hall and Valley Hall vs. Other Competing Mechanisms

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Our group conducts research on the frontier problems of quantum transport of electron charge and spin in a variety of nanostructures. The field we are currently pursuing include:

- second-generation spintronics gr
- topological-insulator-based spintronics
- graphene-based nanoelectronics gr
- nanoelectronic biosensors gr
- nanoscale thermoelectrics gr
- strongly correlated heterostructures gr

We are also working on the development of new theoretical and computational formalisms, often involving massively parallel codes, which are required to study quantum many-body systems far from equilibrium. The principal tools that we employ daily include nonequilibrium Green function theory, density functional theory, and dynamical mean field theory.

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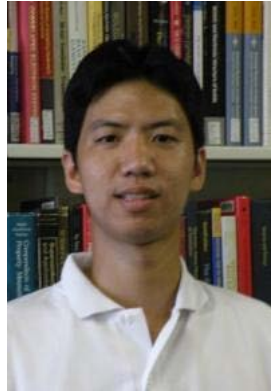
Research Highlights

The image on the left depicts graphene nanoribbon which is converted into a two-dimensional topological insulator (2D TI) using heavy adatoms (which locally enhance spin-orbit coupling). We have predicted that the edge currents in this 2D TI will generate highly optimized Seebeck coefficient, while its nanowires will show phonon propagation, which together conspires to produce a thermoelectric figure of merit $ZT \approx 3$ at low temperatures $T \sim 40$ K.

Collaborators



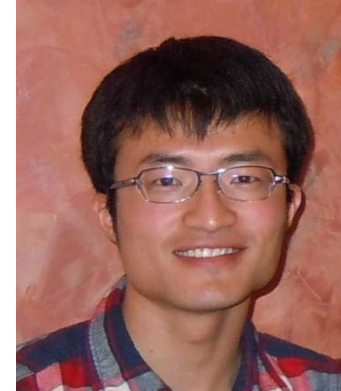
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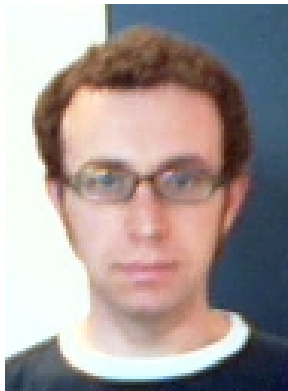
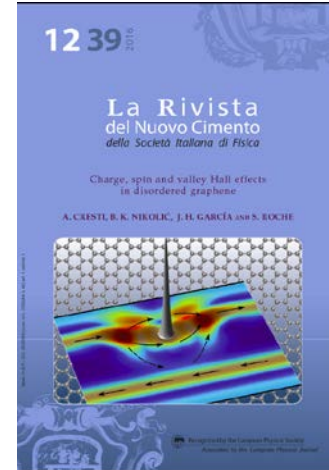
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"Ancient" History: Nonlocal Resistance in Quantum Hall Systems

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New Resistivity for High-Mobility Quantum Hall Conductors

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Landauer-Büttiker formula for quantum transport gains traction

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Absence of backscattering in the quantum Hall effect in multiprobe conductors

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Edge States, Transmission Matrices, and the Hall Resistance

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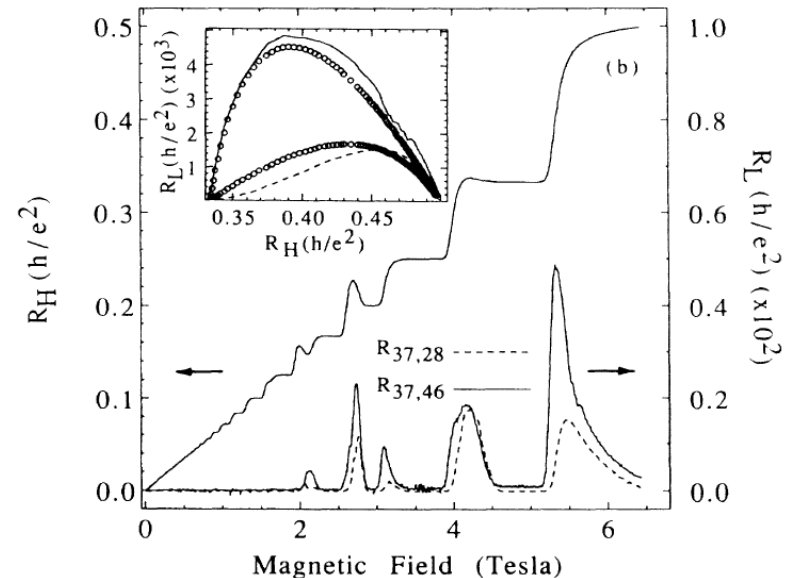
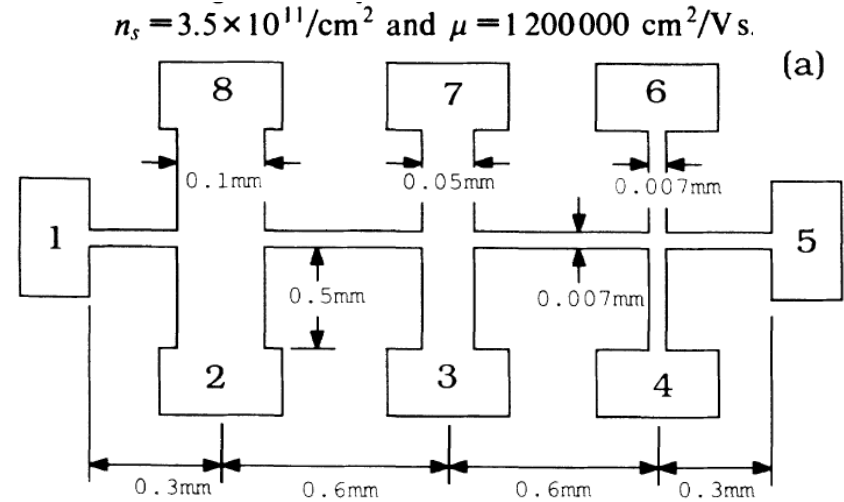
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Landauer-type formulation of quantum-Hall transport: Critical currents and narrow channels

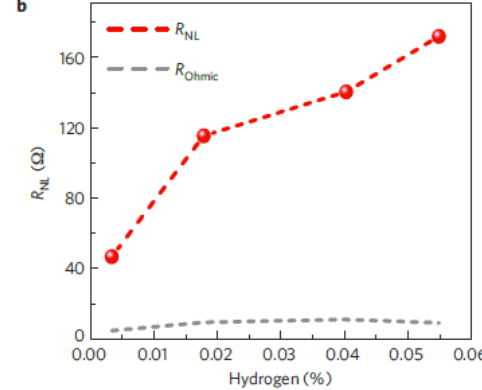
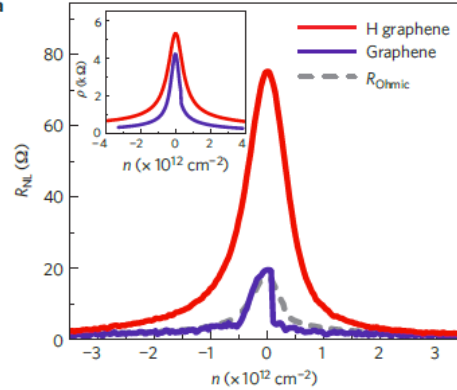
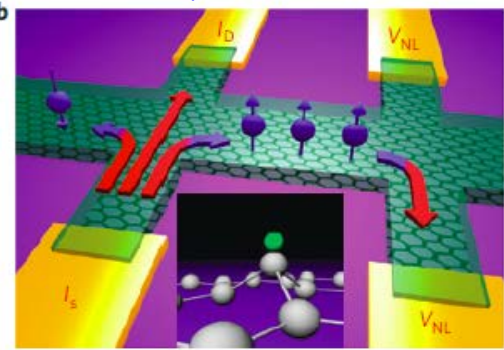
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Nonlocal Resistance in Graphene with Adatoms due to Direct and Inverse Spin Hall Effect (SHE)

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LB quantum transport theory removed in favor of semiclassical theory connecting R_{NL} to bulk conductivities based on PRB **79**, 035304 (2009)

Table 1 | Graphene decorated with metallic adatoms.

Adatom	Mobility ($\text{cm}^2\text{V}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$)	λ_s (μm)	γ	Δ (meV)
Cu-CVD	11,000	1.9	0.17	14.4
Cu-EPG	9,000	1.1	0.27	17.4
Au-EPG	15,000	2.0	0.15	18.0

CVD, chemical vapour deposition; EPG, exfoliated pristine graphene. The extracted values for Δ assume predominant intrinsic SOC (see main text).

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Table 1 | Comparison of room-temperature $\sigma_{s,\parallel}$ and $\theta_{s,\parallel}$ for Bi_2Se_3 with other materials

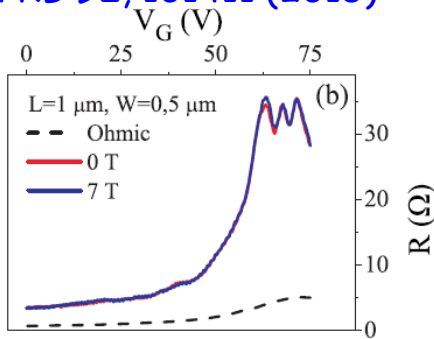
Parameter	Bi_2Se_3 (this work)	Pt (ref. 4)	β -Ta (ref. 6)	Cu(Bi) (ref. 23)	β -W (ref. 24)
θ_{\parallel}	2.0–3.5	0.08	0.15	0.24	0.3
$\sigma_{S,\parallel}$	1.1–2.0	3.4	0.8	—	1.8

θ_{\parallel} is dimensionless and the units for $\sigma_{S,\parallel}$ are $10^5 h/2e \Omega^{-1} \text{m}^{-1}$.

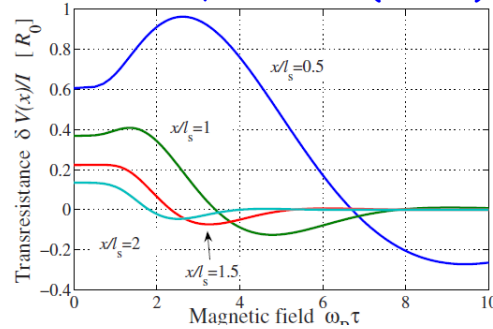
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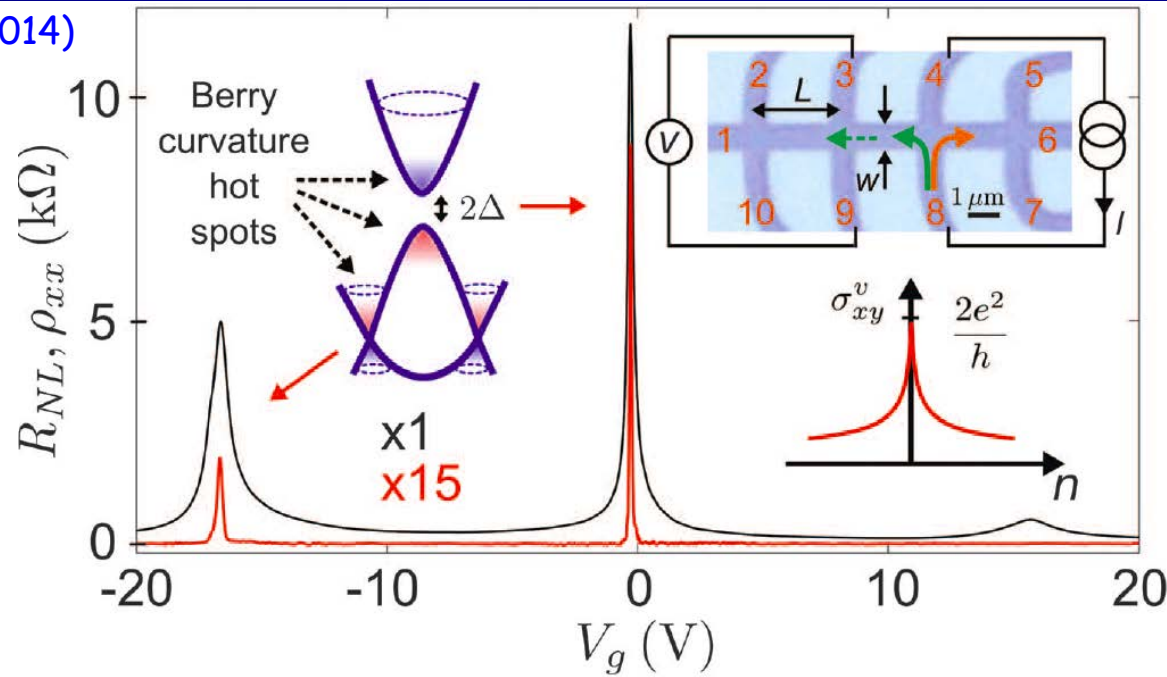
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Negative Nonlocal Resistance in Mesoscopic Gold Hall Bars: Absence of the Giant Spin Hall Effect

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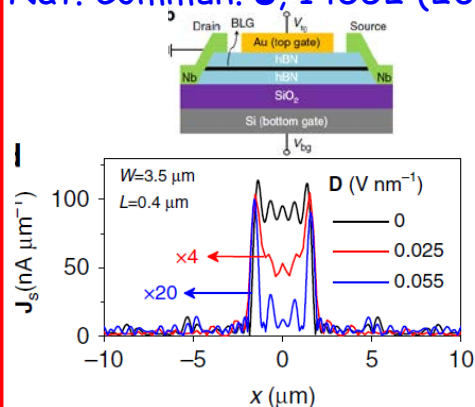
Nonlocal Resistance in Graphene due to (?) Direct and Inverse Valley Hall Effect

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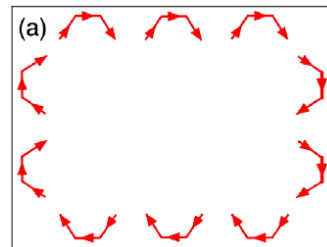


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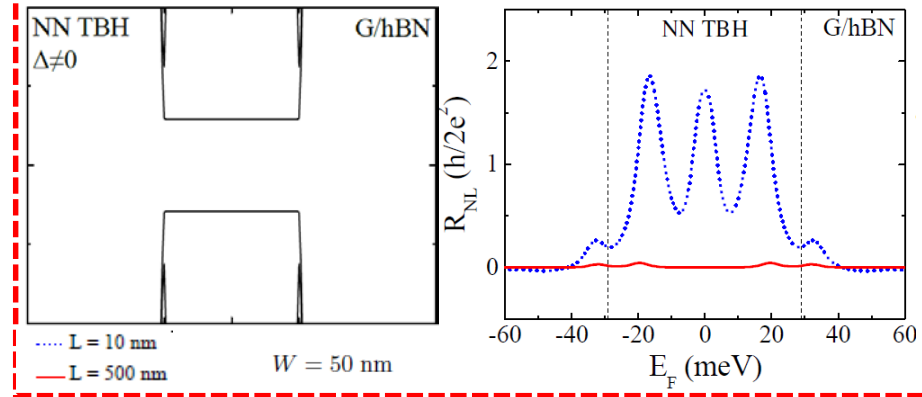
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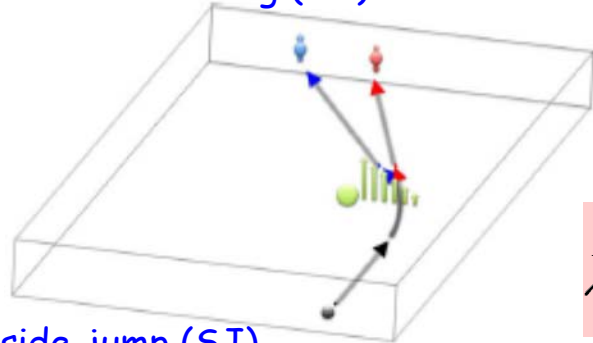


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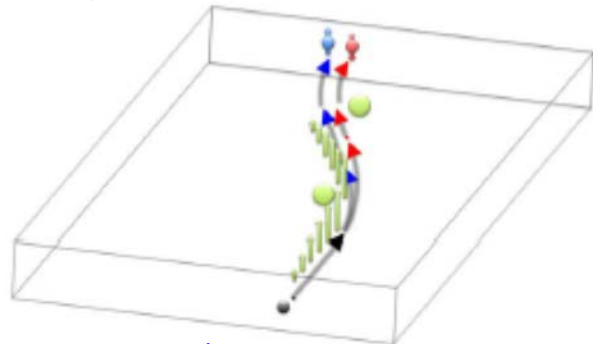
Physical Mechanisms of SHE: Extrinsic vs. Intrinsic

skew-scattering (SS)



$$\hat{H}_{\text{SO}} = -\frac{\lambda^2}{4\hbar} [\hat{\mathbf{p}} \times \nabla V(\mathbf{r})] \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \mapsto \lambda_c^2 [\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \nabla V(\mathbf{r})] \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$$

side-jump (SJ)



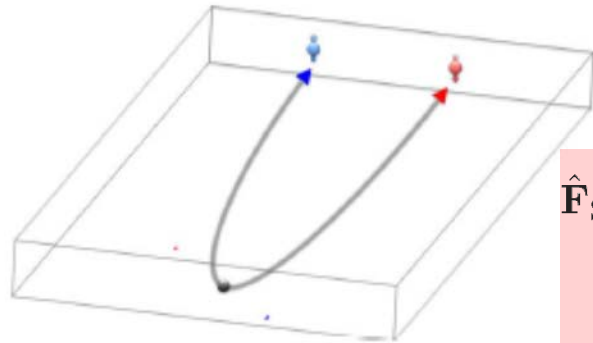
$$\lambda^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{m^2 c^2} \simeq 1.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{\AA}^2 \mapsto \lambda_c^2 \simeq 5 \text{\AA}^2$$

strong SOC with the nuclei of the periodically arranged atoms is hidden behind the vacuum-like form

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{\text{phys}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \lambda_c^2 \hat{\mathbf{p}} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{\hbar \hat{\mathbf{k}}}{m^*} + \frac{2\lambda_c^2}{\hbar} \nabla V_{\text{imp}}(\mathbf{r}) \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{r}_{\text{phys}} = \int dt \mathbf{v}(t) = -2\lambda_c^2 \Delta \mathbf{k} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$$

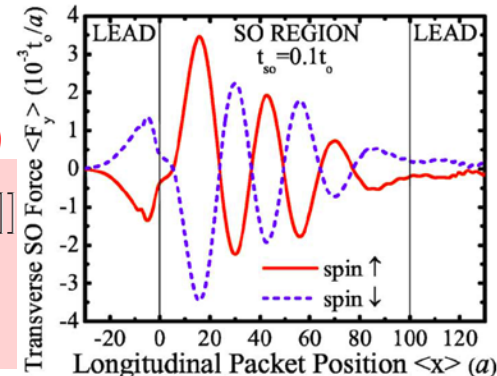
SOC in band structure



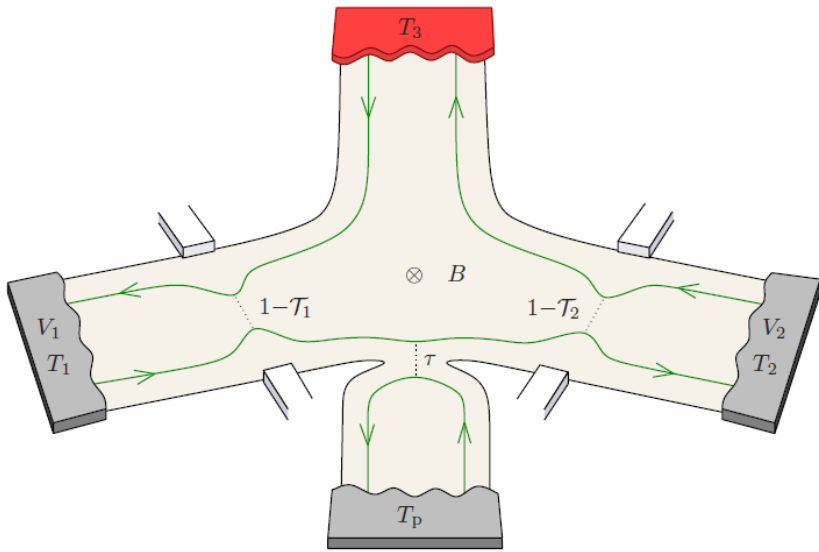
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$$\hat{\mathbf{F}}_{\text{SO}} = m^* \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}_H}{dt^2} = \frac{m^*}{\hbar^2} [\hat{H}_{\text{Rashba}}, [\hat{\mathbf{r}}_H, \hat{H}_{\text{Rashba}}]]$$

$$= \frac{2\alpha^2 m^*}{\hbar^3} (\hat{\mathbf{p}}_H \times \mathbf{z}) \otimes \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_H^z$$



Landauer-Büttiker (LB) Quantum Transport Theory for Charge and Spin Currents in Multiterminal Circuits



PRL 117, 176602 (2016)

$$\theta_{SH} = \frac{I_3^{S_z}}{I_1}$$

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PRL 57, 1761 (1986)

$$I_p = \sum_q G_{pq} (V_p - V_q)$$

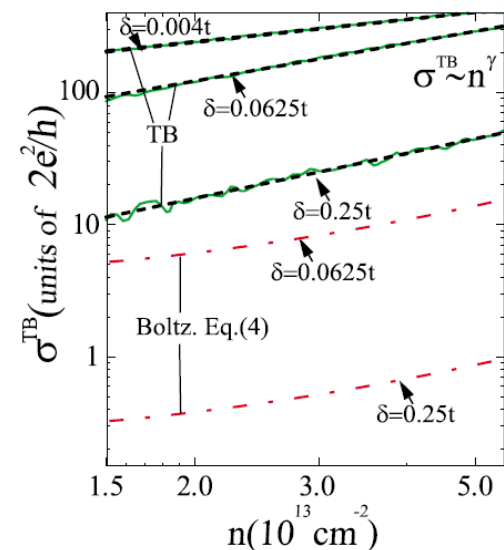
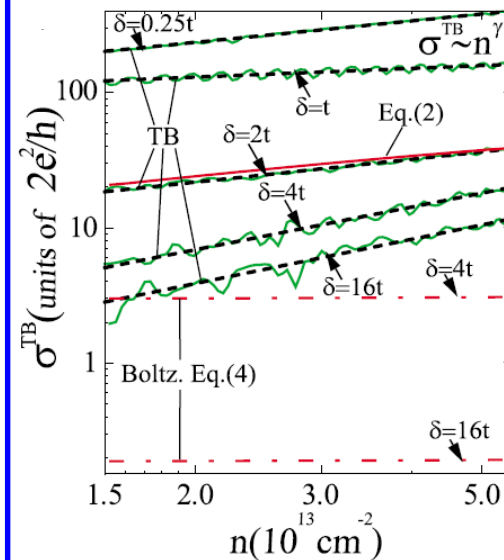
$$G_{pq} = \int dE \left(-\frac{\partial f}{\partial E} \right) \text{Tr} [\mathbf{t}(E) \mathbf{t}^\dagger(E)]$$

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$$I_p^{S_\alpha} = \sum_q G_{pq}^{S_\alpha} \left[(V_p - V_q) - \frac{E - E_F}{eT} (T_p - T_q) \right]$$

$$G_{pq}^{S_\alpha} = \int dE \left(-\frac{\partial f}{\partial E} \right) \text{Tr} [\hat{\sigma}_\alpha \mathbf{t}(E) \mathbf{t}^\dagger(E)]$$

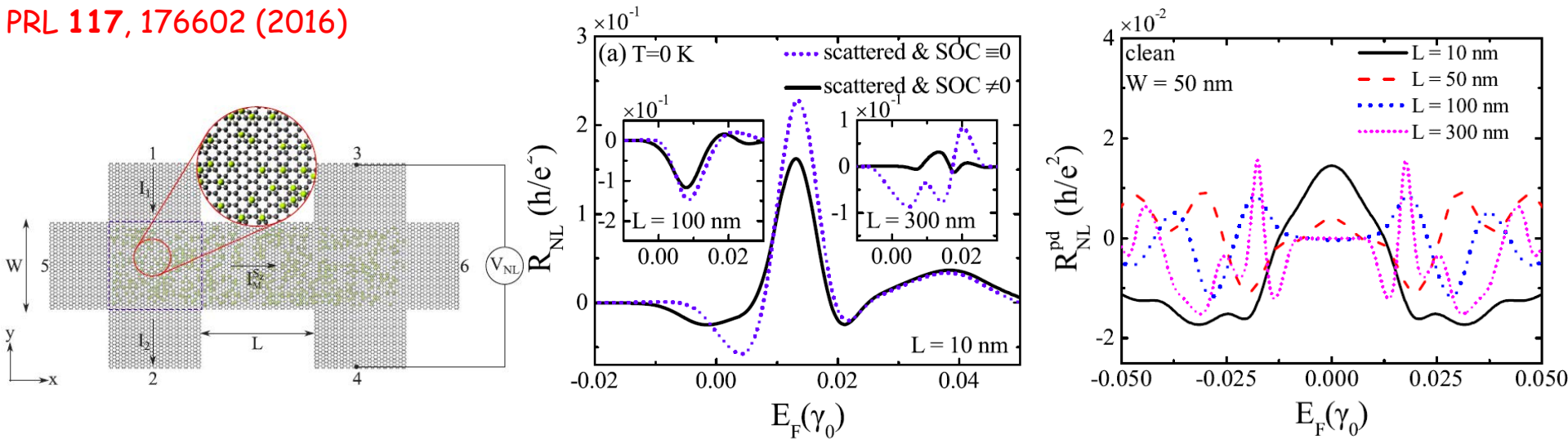
LB theory puts limits on the usage of Boltzmann equation for graphene



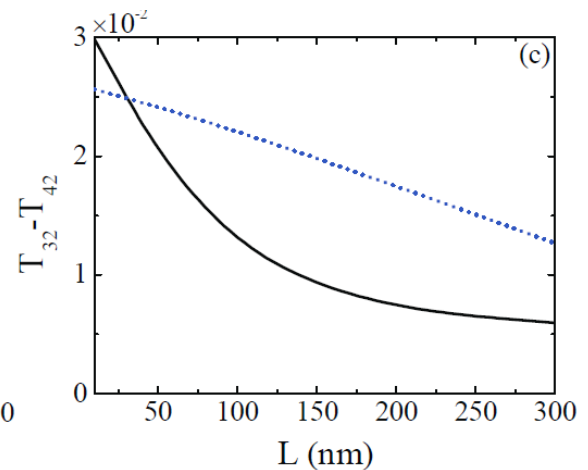
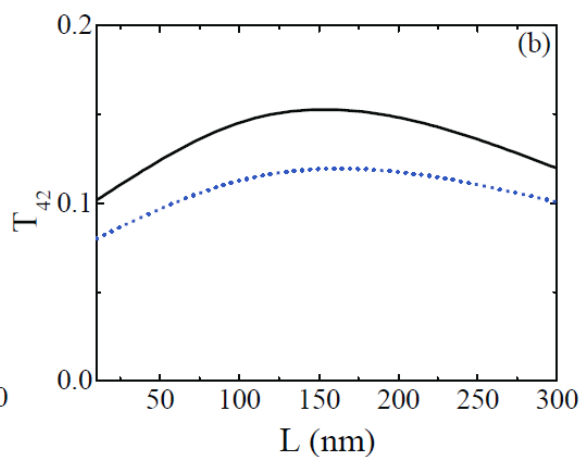
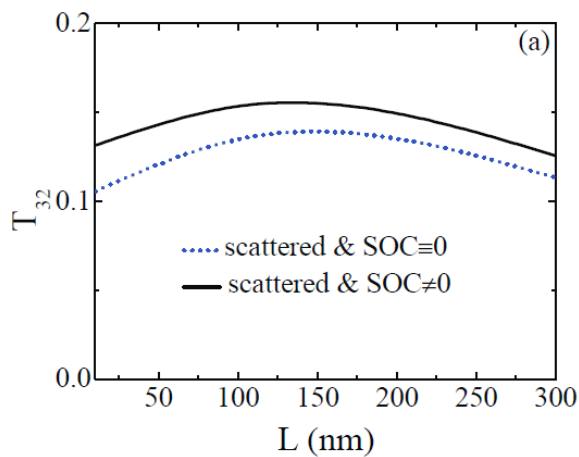
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LB Theory of Nonlocal Resistance in Multiterminal Graphene with Adatoms

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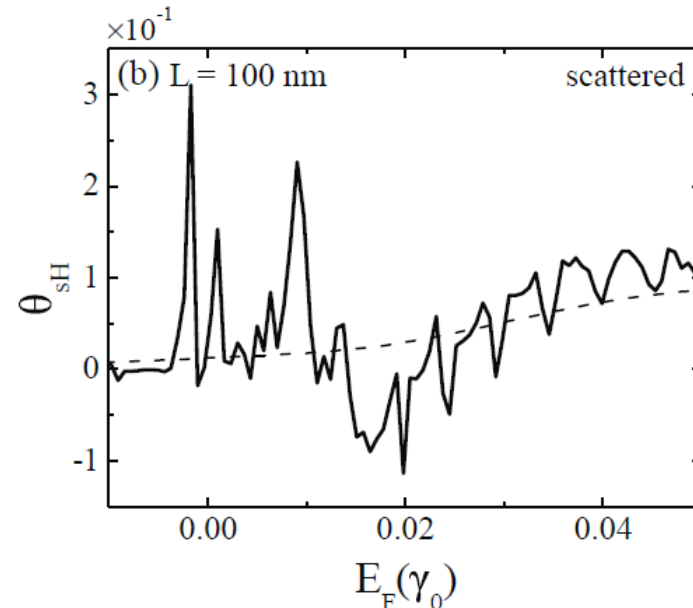
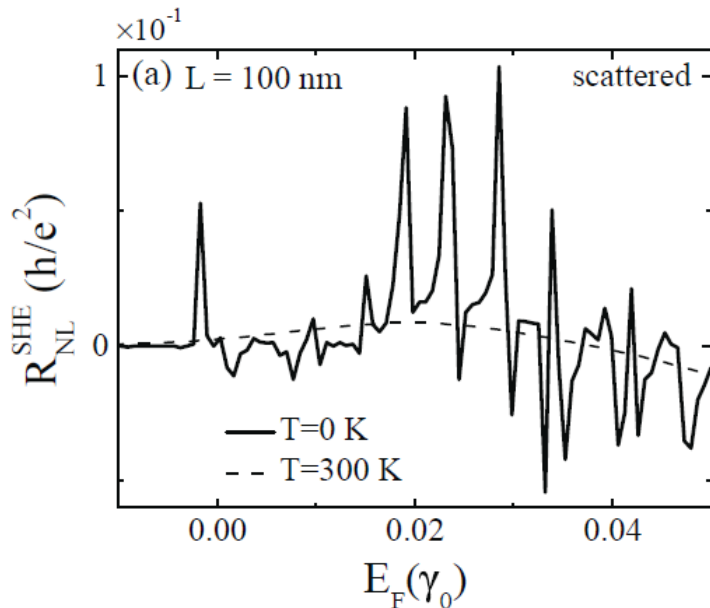
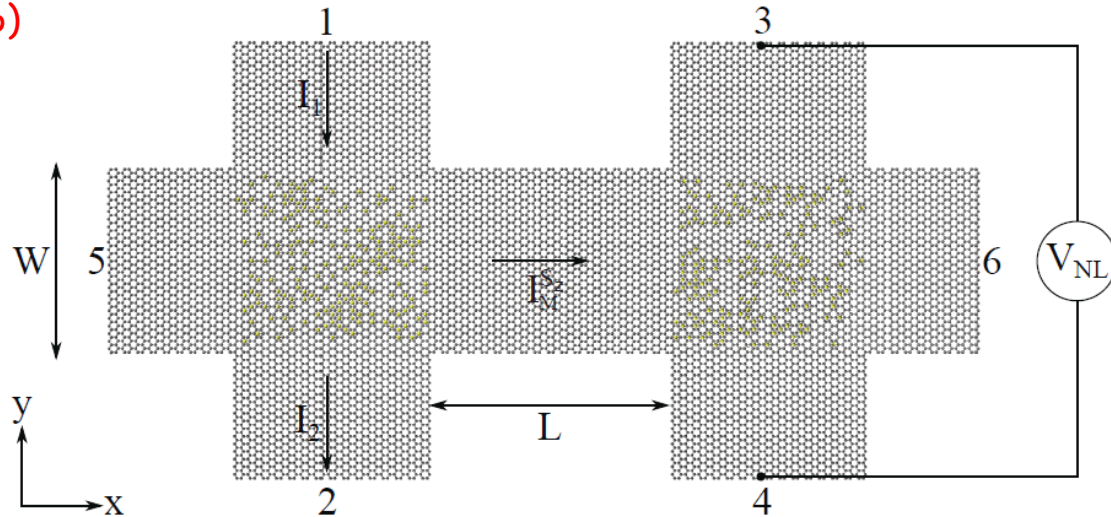


$$R_{NL} = R_{NL}^{SHE} + R_{NL}^{Ohm} + R_{NL}^{pseudodiffusive} + R_{NL}^{quasiballistic}$$

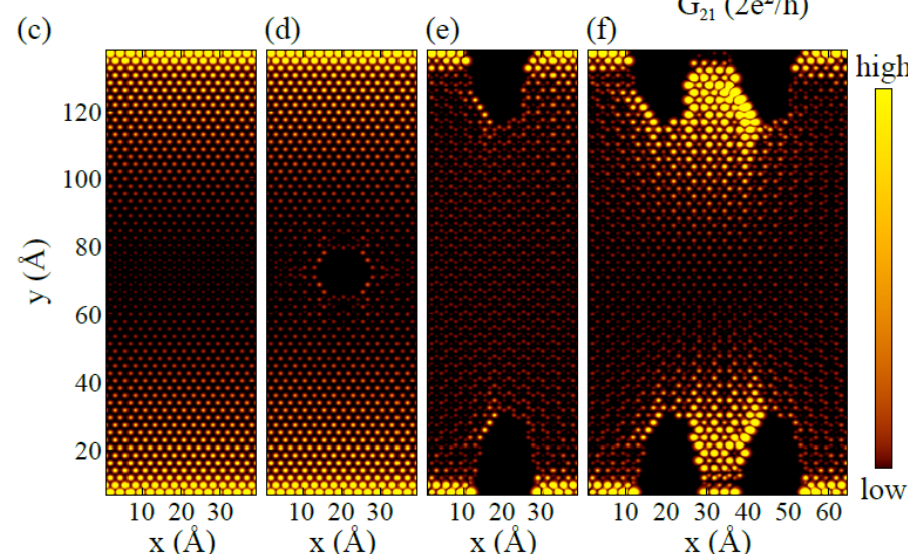
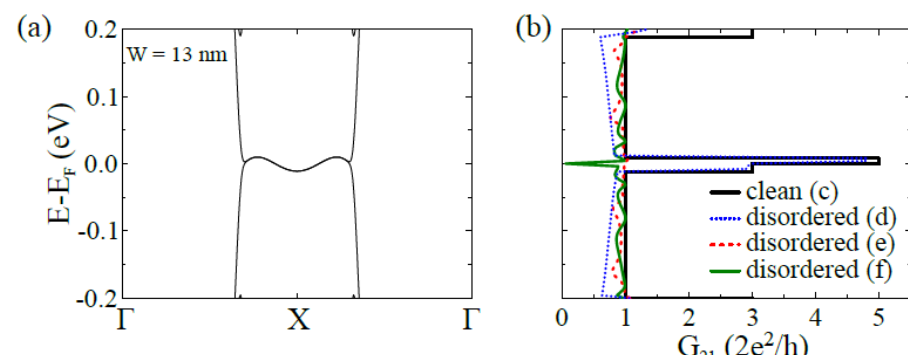
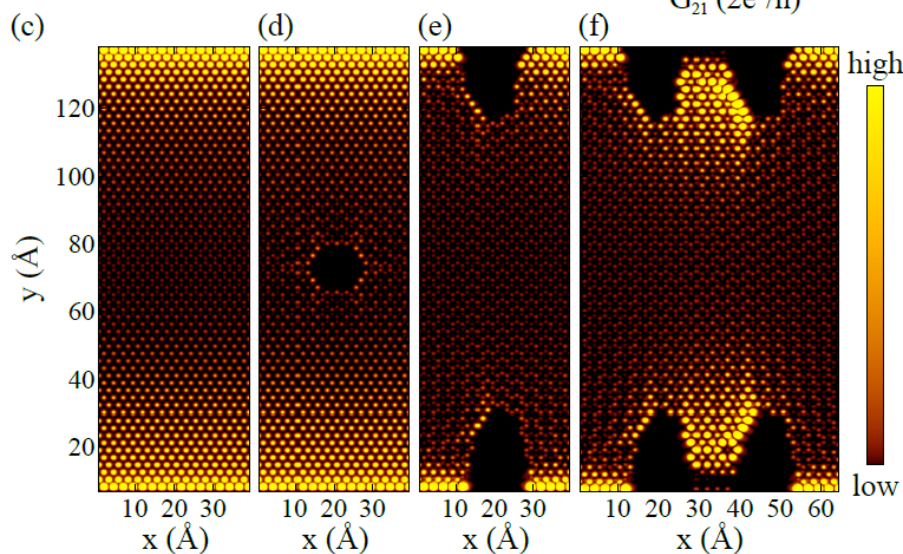
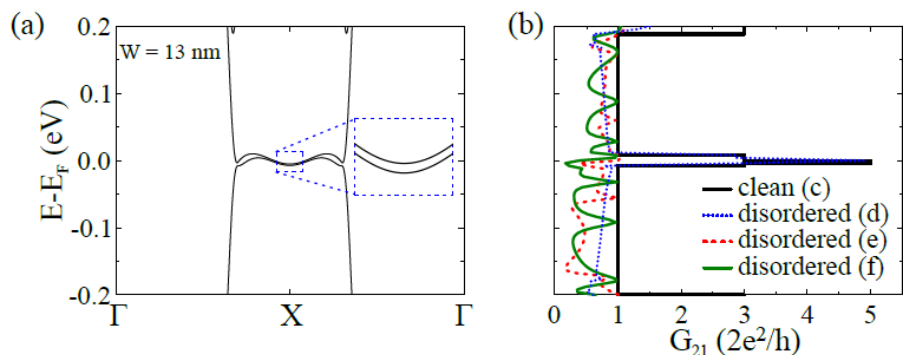


How to Get Nonlocal Resistance Due to Purely Direct and Inverse SHE in Graphene with Adatoms

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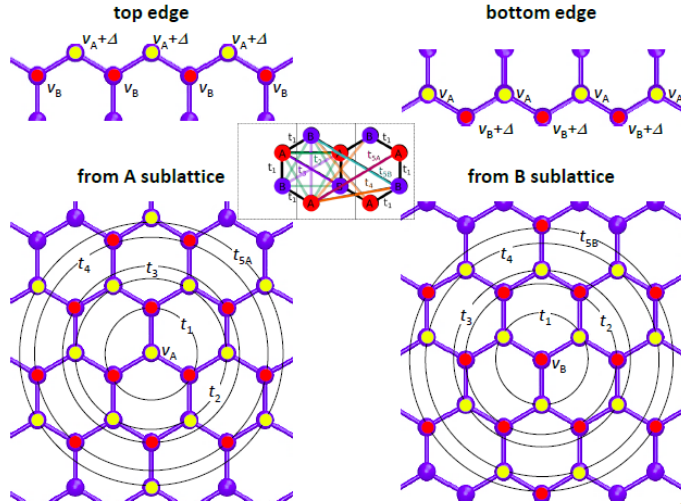
First-Principles Bandstructure and Quantum Transport in Zigzag Nanowires of G/hBN vs. G



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Ab Initio Tight-Binding Hamiltonian for Graphene-on-hBN Nanowires with Zigzag Edges

(a) 5NN Tight-binding Hamiltonian: Definition of parameters



(b) 5NN Tight-binding Hamiltonian: Numerical values of parameters

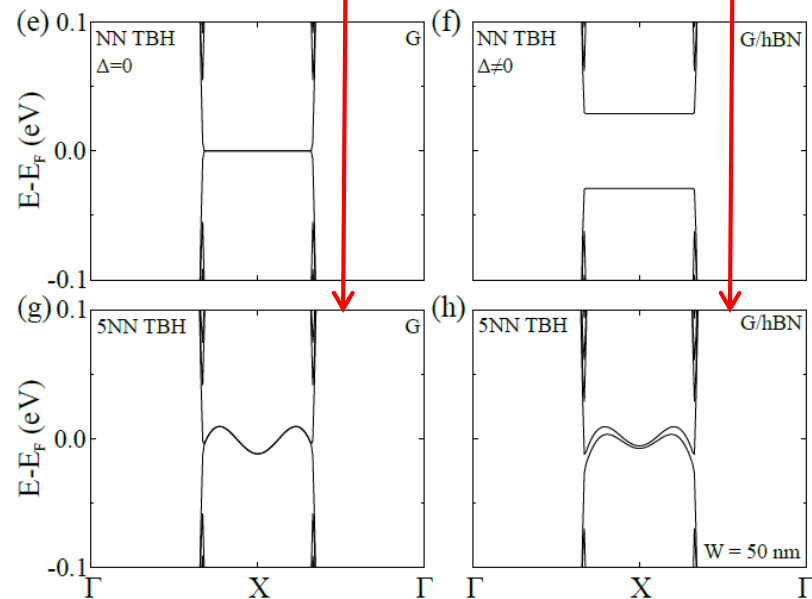
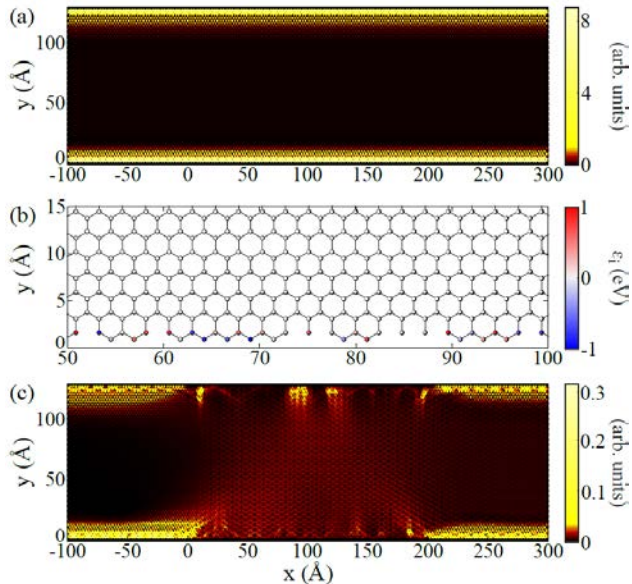
Isolated graphene wire with zigzag edges

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_A &= 0.3667 \text{ eV} \\
 v_B &= 0.3667 \text{ eV} \\
 \Delta &= 0.06262 \text{ eV} \\
 t_1 &= 2.6672 \text{ eV} \\
 t_2 &= 0.2083 \text{ eV} \\
 t_3 &= 0.2000 \text{ eV} \\
 t_4 &= -0.1800 \text{ eV} \\
 t_{5A} &= 0.0416 \text{ eV} \\
 t_{5B} &= 0.0416 \text{ eV}
 \end{aligned}$$

Graphene-on-hBN wire with zigzag edges

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_A &= 0.3495 \text{ eV} \\
 v_B &= 0.352 \text{ eV} \\
 \Delta &= 0.0855 \text{ eV} \\
 t_1 &= 2.6672 \text{ eV} \\
 t_2 &= 0.2083 \text{ eV} \\
 t_3 &= 0.2000 \text{ eV} \\
 t_4 &= -0.1800 \text{ eV} \\
 t_{5A} &= 0.0416 \text{ eV} \\
 t_{5B} &= 0.0428 \text{ eV}
 \end{aligned}$$

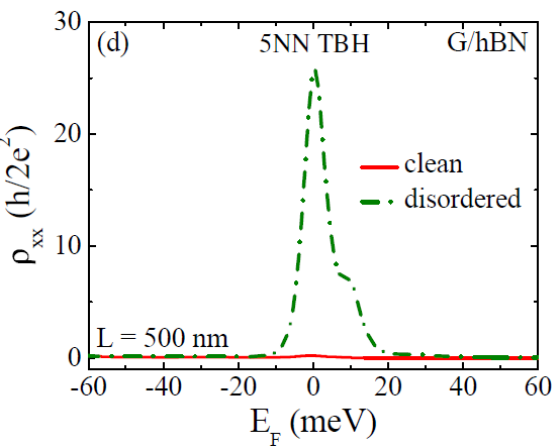
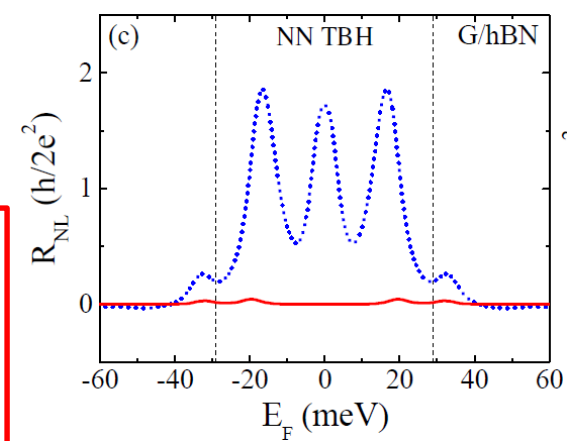
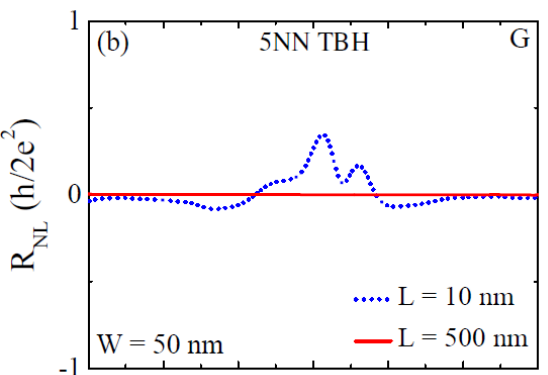
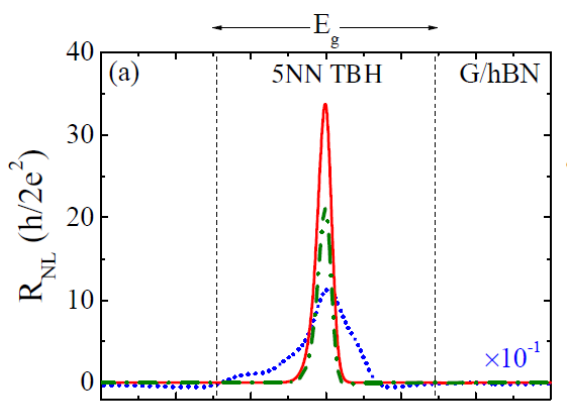
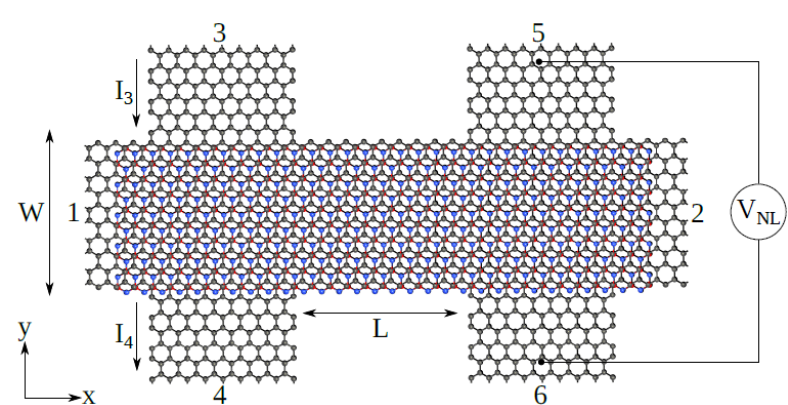
Edge currents for TBH



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Landauer-Büttiker Theory of Nonlocal Resistance and ρ_{xx} in Multiterminal Graphene/hBN

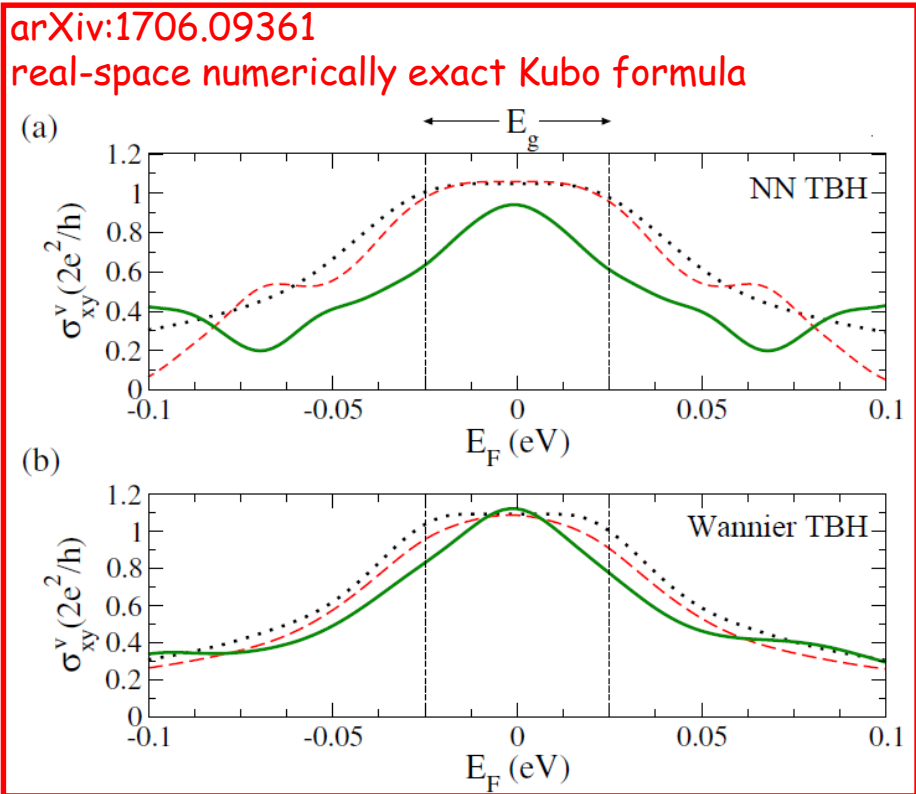
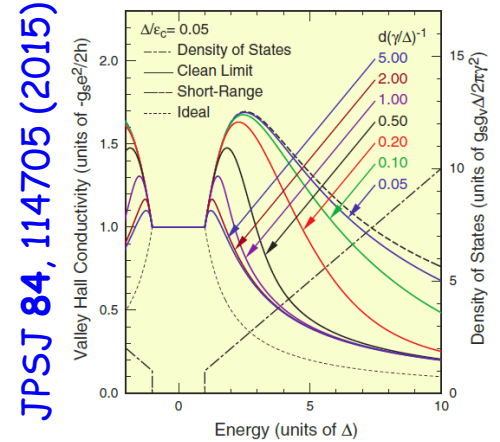
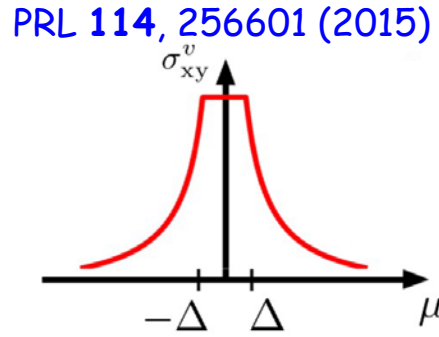
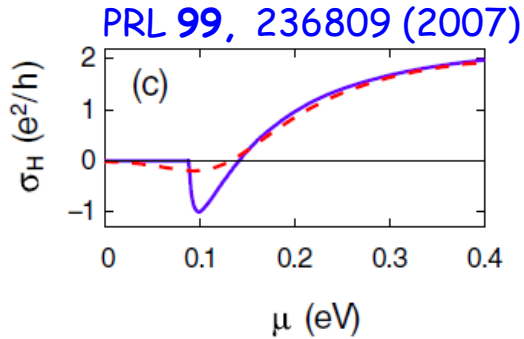
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COMPARE TO EXPERIMENT

- R_{NL} peak is seen in aligned G/hBN zigzag wires, never in nonaligned ones despite edge states being present
- ρ_{xx} peak value is metallic-like
- ρ_{xx} peak is wider than R_{NL} peak
- R_{NL} peak centroid is slightly shifted to the left of the DP

Kubo Theory of Valley Hall Conductivity in Graphene/hBN

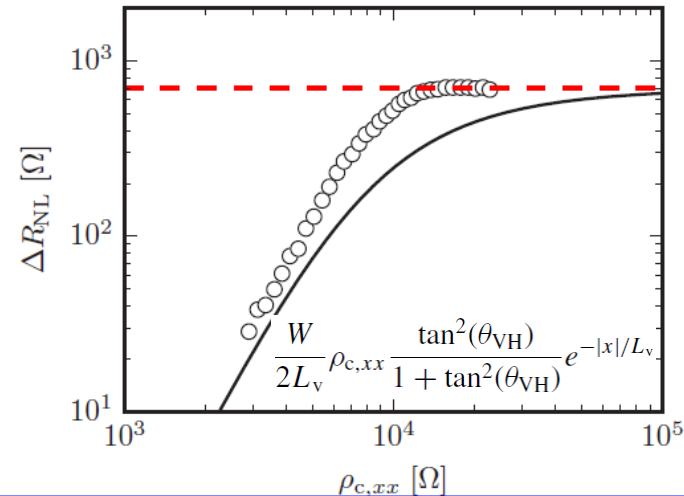


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nonlocal resistance obtained indirectly from σ_{xy}^v + semiclassical diffusion

$$R_{NL} \propto (\sigma_{xy}^v)^2 \rho_{xx}^3$$

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Conclusions in Pictures

