Making Carbon Magnetic

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Graphene

















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spin x valley



*K*₂

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3.0°



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Half filled band – symmetry broken phase Think Hund's rules

Bistritzer and MacDonald, PNAS (2011) Cao, et al. Nature (2018)

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Let's make some samples!















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Ideally:
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hBN alignment

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hBN alignment is the key for AH?



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Theory: Zhang, et al. PRB (2019) Bultinck, et al. PRL (2020) Xie and MacDonald, PRL (2020) – Gap open spontaneously?

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Interaction driven spin/valley polarization



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Xie et al. PRL (2020) Zhang et al. PRR (2019) Bultinck et al., PRL (2020) Martin et al., PRL (2008) Lee et al., Nat. Comms (2019)

In-plane field can couple to valley!

Probing Nature of Magnetism





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Magnetic field





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Magnetic field











 $\varphi > 0$

Hysteresis loops in tilted field



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Data collapses when plotted vs B perpendicular! Orbital Ferromagnet!

Similar conclusion: Tschirhart, et al. Science (2021) Sharpe, et al. Nano Lett. (2021)



















Splotchy magnet yet quantized?

(Q)AH is quite common in moirés!

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Moiré quasicrystal





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 120° commensurate, U = 0





We must take the mesoscopics seriously! Previous treatment too simplistic

















Shi et al. PRB (2021)









Second harmonic generation for hBN



Kamat, Sharpe, et al. PNAS (2024) Pendharkar, et al. PNAS (2024)

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Polarized Raman for graphene







Second harmonic generation for hBN







270°

Torsional force microscopy for moirés



Kamat, Sharpe, et al. PNAS (2024) Pendharkar, et al. PNAS (2024)

















Anomalous Hall!



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This device exhibits both magnetism and superconductivity!



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What is θ_{GBN} ?



120 commensurate

60 commensurate





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Why is this orbital magnet so hard to reproduce in TBG? (Q)AH appears to be quite ubiquitous in moirés hBN's effect is shift dependent! Expect AH near commensurate structures?

Using intermediate characterization during fab we: Verified hBN alignment, AH, and superconductivity in a single sample

We still have much to learn about TBG. Explore: G-G and G-hBN twist phase space FCI states at high field



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