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単層ヤヌス遷移金属ダイカルコゲナイドにおける光誘起スピン流に関する理論研究

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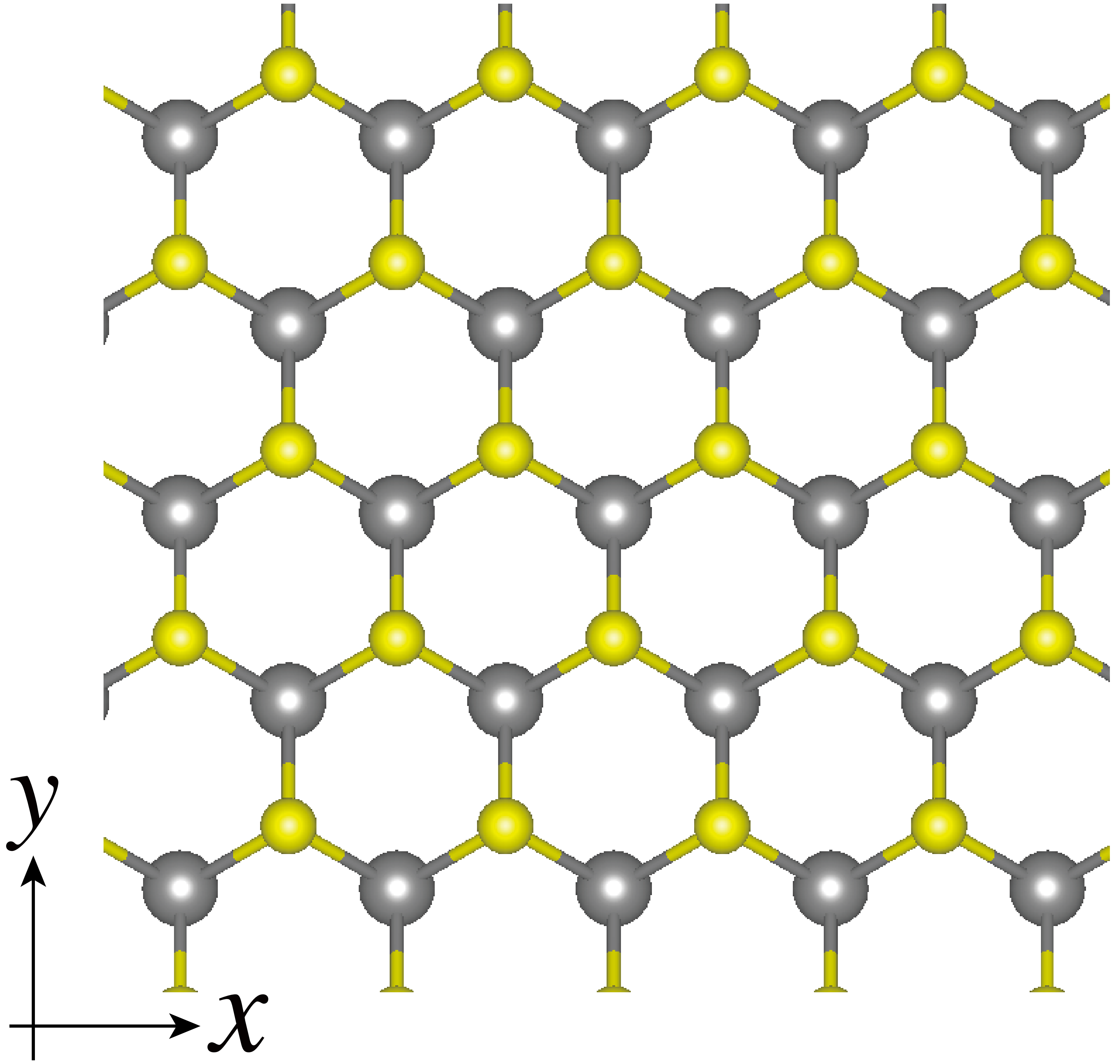
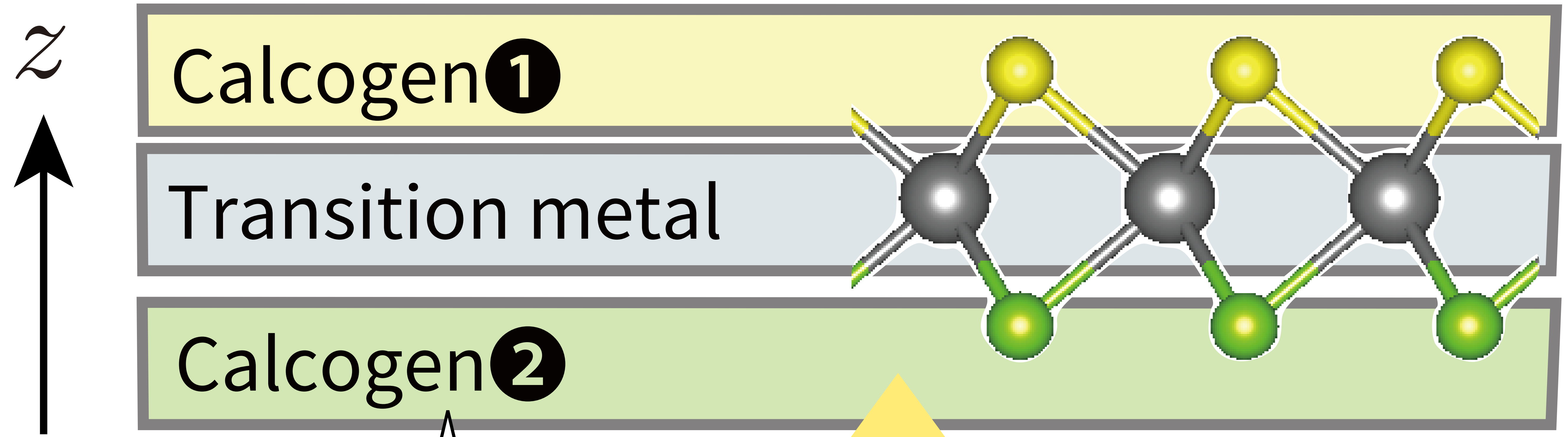
Monolayer Janus transition metal dichalcogenide (Janus TMDC)

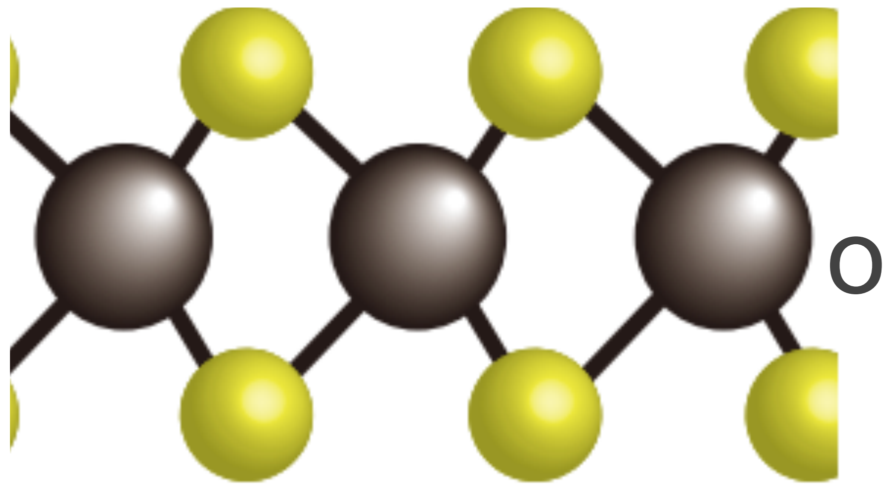
Top view



Side view



Conventional TMDC



Replace
one chalcogen layer

Out-of-plane mirror symmetry

TMDC	**Janus TMDC**
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・**Honeycomb lattice** type two-dimensional thin film crystal

・Composed of **transition metal atoms** (1 species) and **chalcogens** (2 species)

1.Zhang, J. et al. ACS Nano 11, 8192–8198 (2017). 2. Liu, Z., Tee, S., Guan, G. & Han, M. NANO-MICRO LETTERS 16, (2024).

Rashba-type spin-orbit coupling (Rashba SOC) in Janus TMDCs

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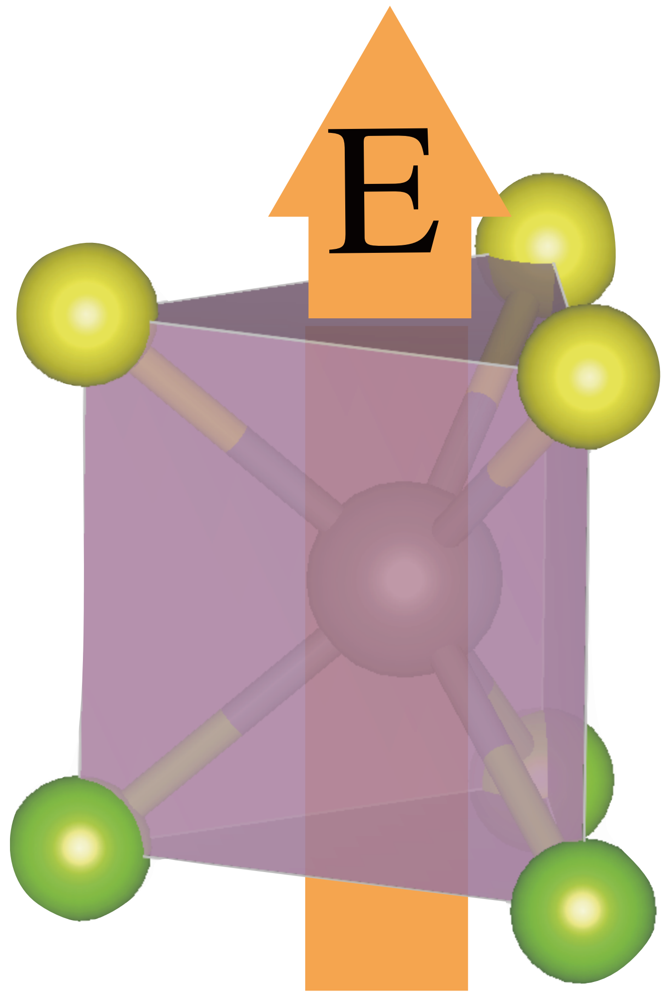


- Out-of-plane mirror symmetry breaking
- Internal electric field

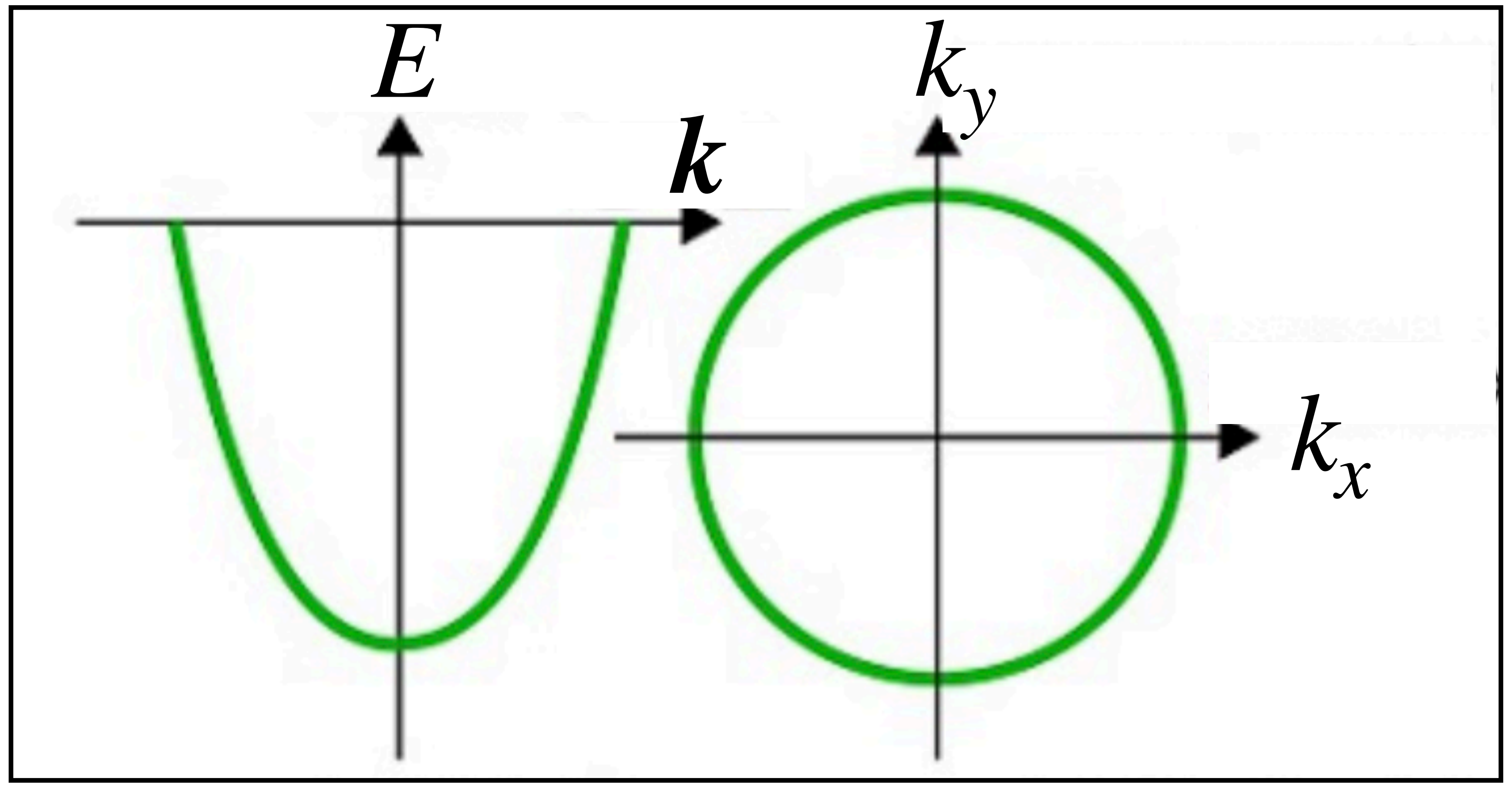
Janus TMDCs have
Rashba-type spin-orbit coupling
without external electric field

Topic of study

Investigation of
the contribution of **Rashba SOC**
to **spin current generation**
in **Janus TMDCs**

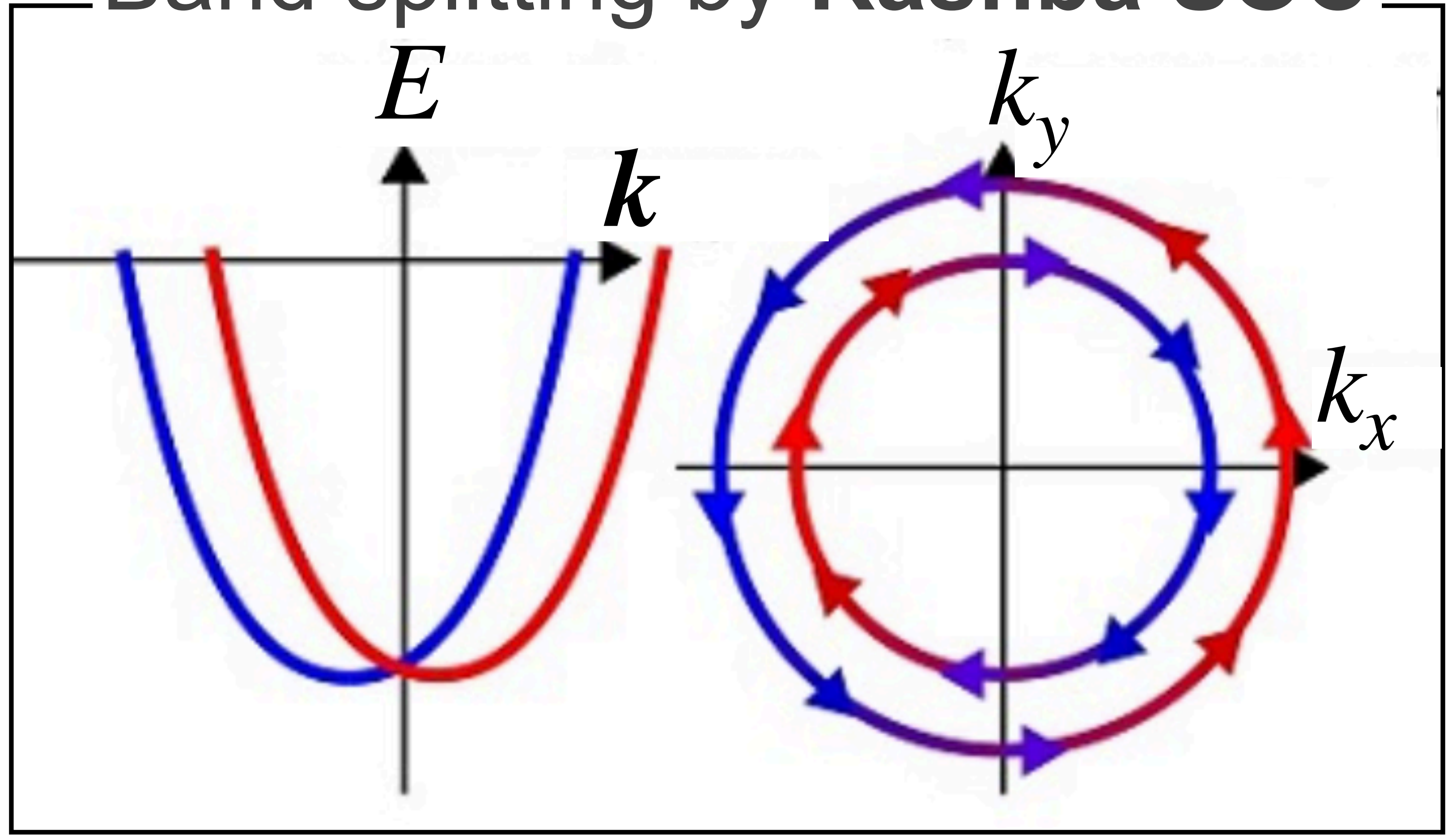
Spin polarized **perpendicular in the plane of the electron momentum direction**

Example: Free electron systems



Rashba SOC

Band splitting by **Rashba SOC**

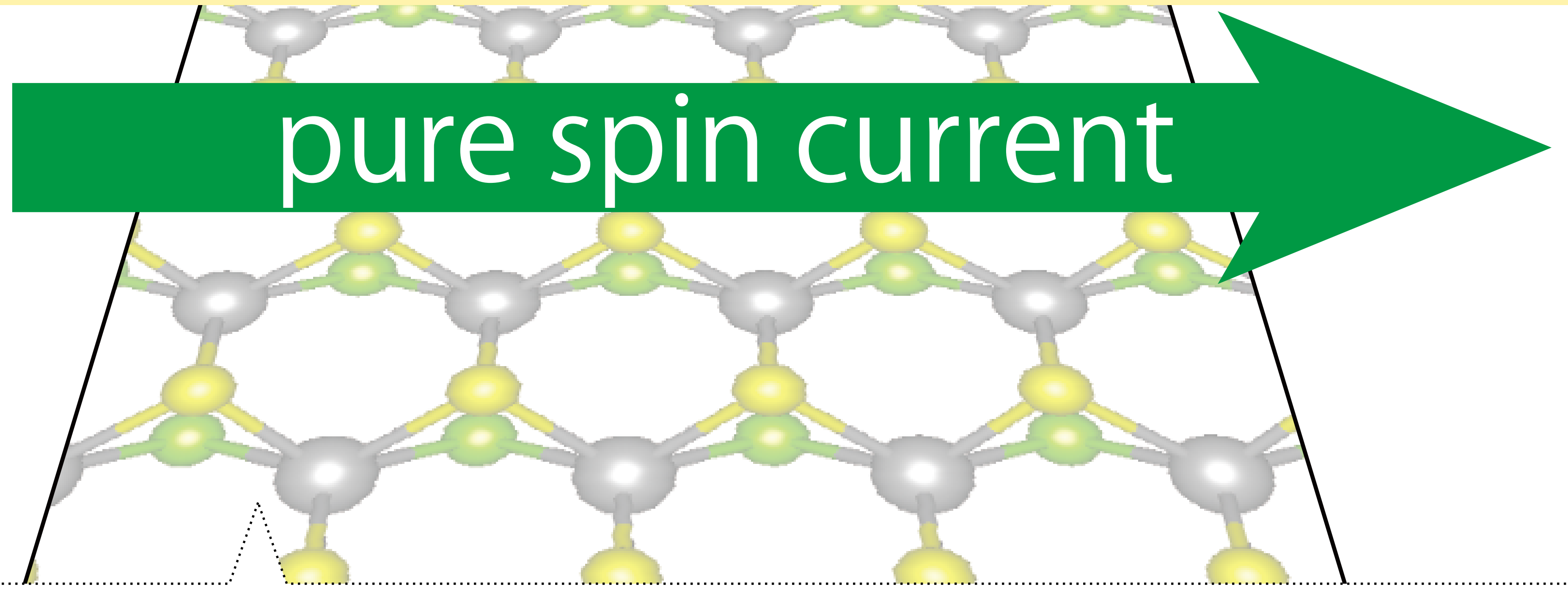


Key findings

There is a **optically-induced pure spin current** in the Janus TMDC that is induced by the **Rashba SOC**

Thesis of study

Janus TMDC is a candidate for **optospintronics devices**



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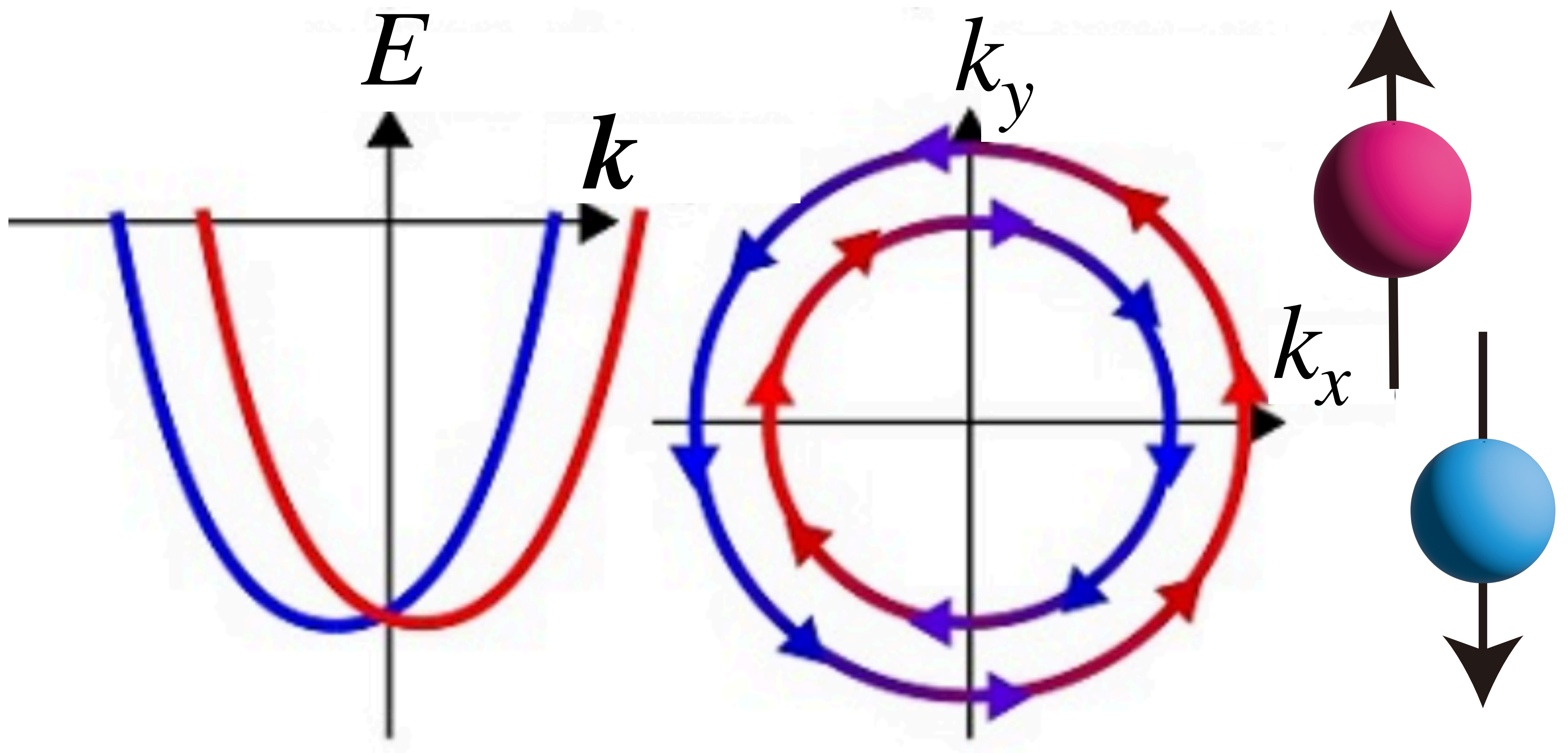
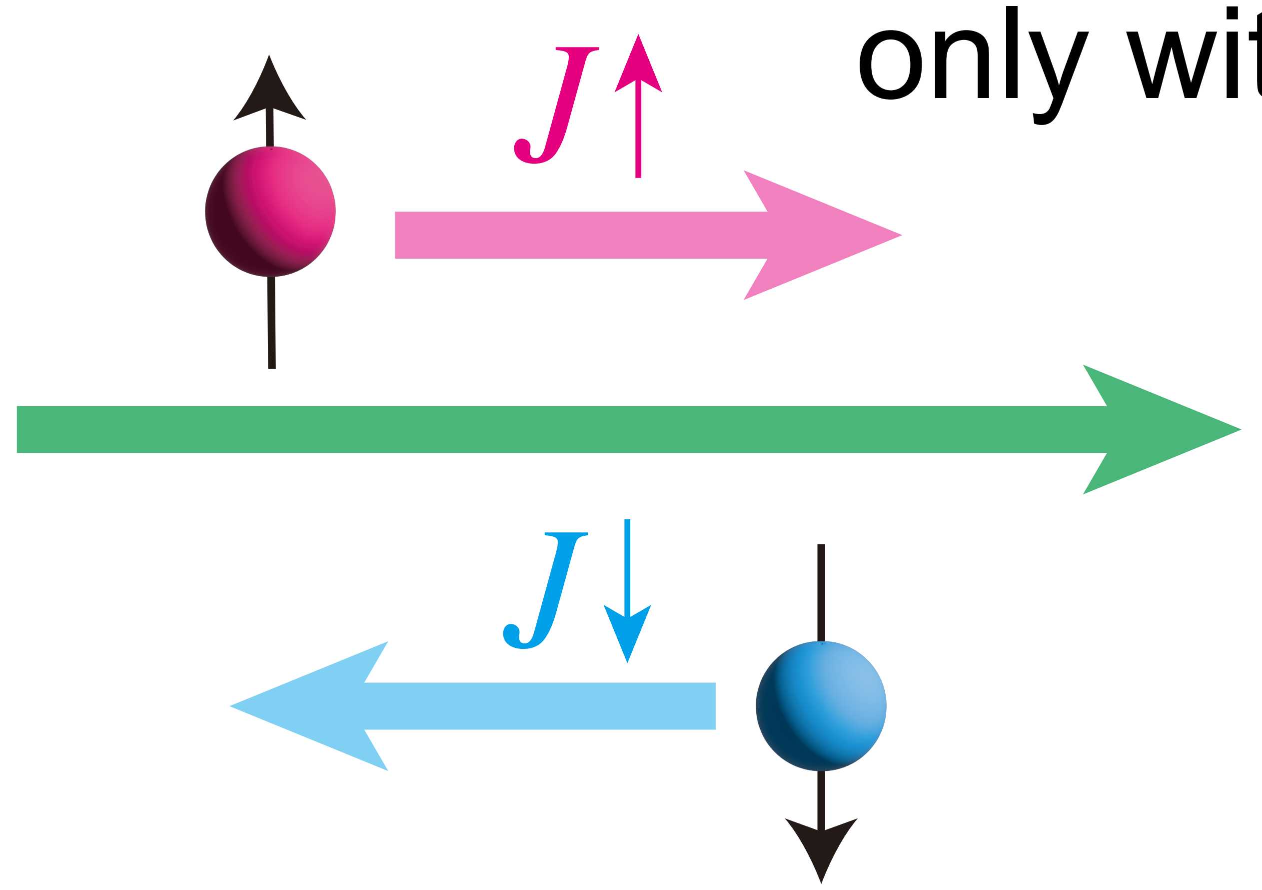


pure spin current

Flow of the spin angular momentum only without flow of the charge



$$J^{spin} = J\uparrow - J\downarrow \neq 0$$

$$J = J\uparrow + J\downarrow = 0$$

optically-induced

・Electric field induced by light

Methods

Step① Tight-binding model

- Rashba SOC parameter
- Energy band structure
- Spin polarization

Step② Spin dependent optical hall conductivity

- Kubo formula
- Evaluation

  Spin dependent optical hall conductivity

  Spin current generation efficiency

  (**spin Hall angle**)

Step③ Symmetry analysis

- Neumann's principle

Multi-orbital TB model and Rashba SOC parameter

Considering $d_{z^2}, d_{xy}, d_{x^2-y^2}$ orbitals of transition metal atom

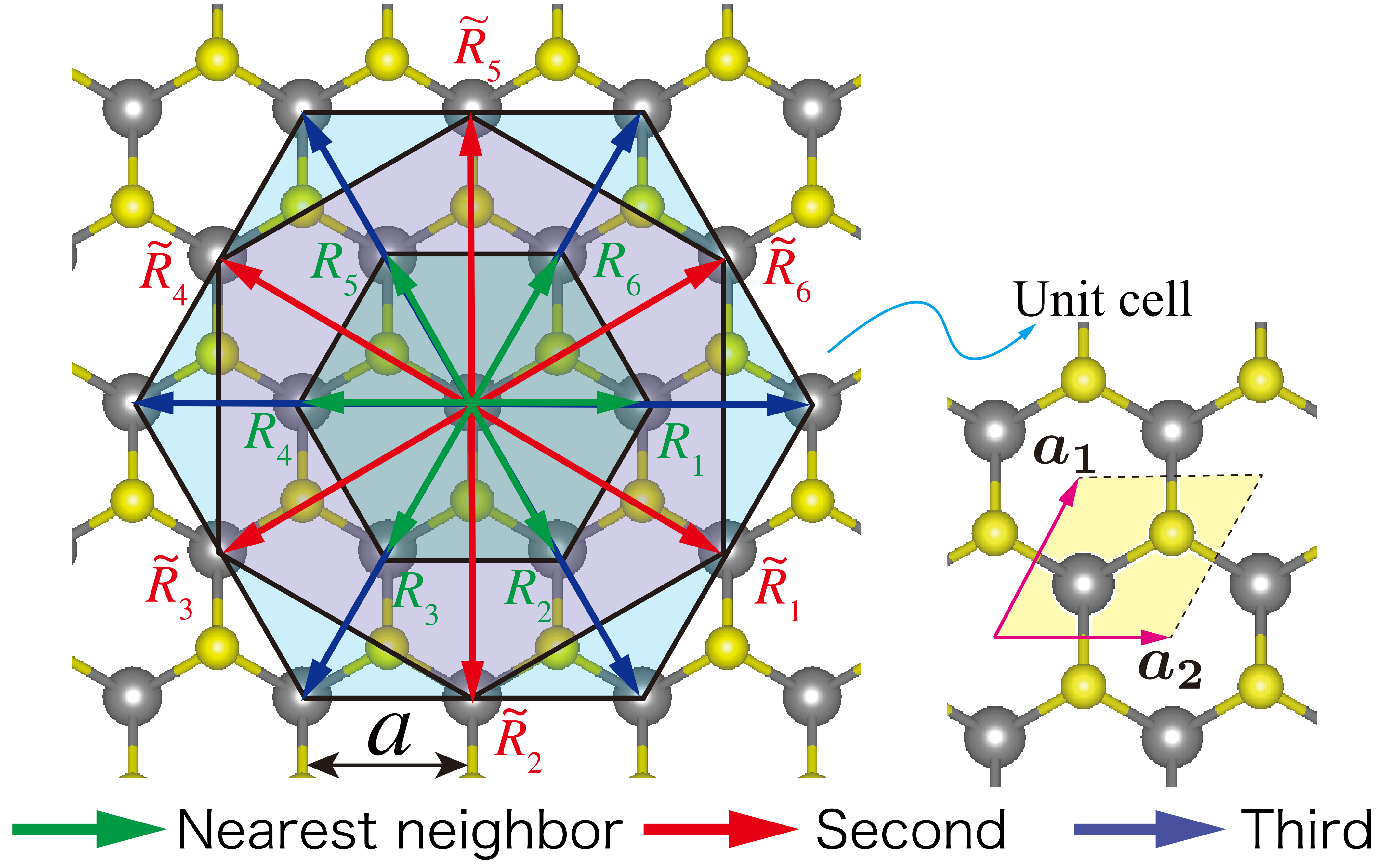
$$\hat{H}(\boldsymbol{k}) = \hat{\sigma}_0 \otimes \hat{H}_{TNN}(\boldsymbol{k}) + \hat{\sigma}_z \otimes \frac{1}{2}\lambda \hat{L}_z + \hat{H}_R(\boldsymbol{k})$$

Common to TMDC: Non-SOC term, Ising SOC term

Rashba SOC term

※ $\hat{H}_R = (f_x(\boldsymbol{k})\hat{\sigma}_y - f_y(\boldsymbol{k})\hat{\sigma}_x) \otimes diag(2\alpha_0, 0, 0)$

$$f_x(\boldsymbol{k}) = \sin(2\alpha) + \sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta),$$
$$f_y(\boldsymbol{k}) = \sqrt{3}\sin(\beta)\cos(\alpha).$$
$$(\alpha, \beta) = (\tfrac{1}{2}k_x a, \tfrac{\sqrt{3}}{2}k_y a)$$



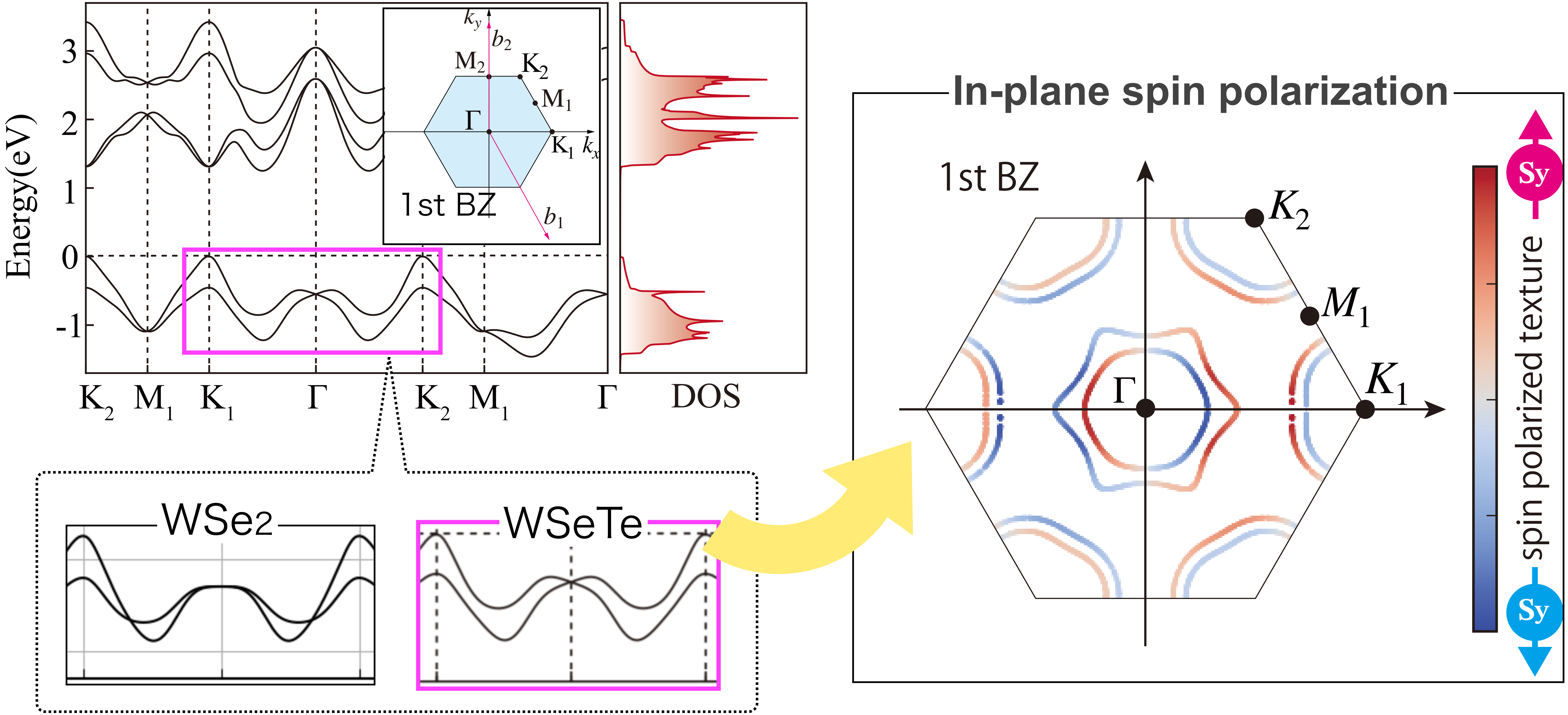
● Rashba SOC parameter α_0

- Determining the intensity of band splitting
- Setting $\alpha_0 = 0.045$ eV

, which is corresponds to **WSeTe**

1.Yao, Q.-F. *et al*. *Phys. Rev. B* **95**, 165401 (2017).

Energy band structure and spin polarization of WSeTe



- **Rashba SOC-derived band splitting** occurs near the Γ point

Spin dependent optical hall conductivity

$$\sigma_{ij}^{spin(k)}(\omega) = \frac{i\hbar e}{(2\pi)^2}\int_{BZ} d^2\boldsymbol{k}\Sigma_{n\neq m}\frac{f(E_n(\boldsymbol{k})) - f(E_m(\boldsymbol{k}))}{E_m(\boldsymbol{k}) - E_n(\boldsymbol{k})} \times \frac{\langle u_n(\boldsymbol{k}) | \hat{j}_i^{spin(k)} | u_m(\boldsymbol{k})\langle u_m(\boldsymbol{k}) | \hat{v}_j | u_n(\boldsymbol{k})\rangle}{E_m(\boldsymbol{k}) - E_n(\boldsymbol{k}) - \hbar\omega - i\eta}$$

Spin Hall Angle

$$\theta^{spin} = \frac{2e}{\hbar}\frac{\sigma_{xy}^{spin}}{\sigma_{xx}}$$

Calculated from TBM

$E_n(\boldsymbol{k})$: **Energy eigenvalue** n**-band**

$|u_n(\boldsymbol{k})\rangle$: **Energy eigenstate** n**-band**

$\hat{v}_i = \frac{1}{\hbar}\frac{\partial \hat{H}(\boldsymbol{k})}{\partial k_i}$: **Velocity operator**

$\hat{j}_i^{spin(z)} = \frac{1}{2}\{\hat{\sigma}_z, \hat{v}_i\}$: **Spin current density operator**

variable value

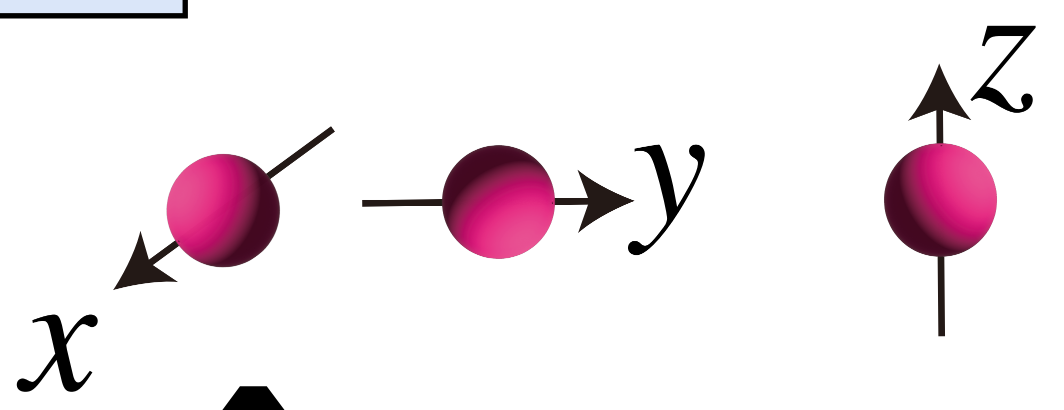
ω : **optical angular frequency**

i : **Spin current conduction direction**

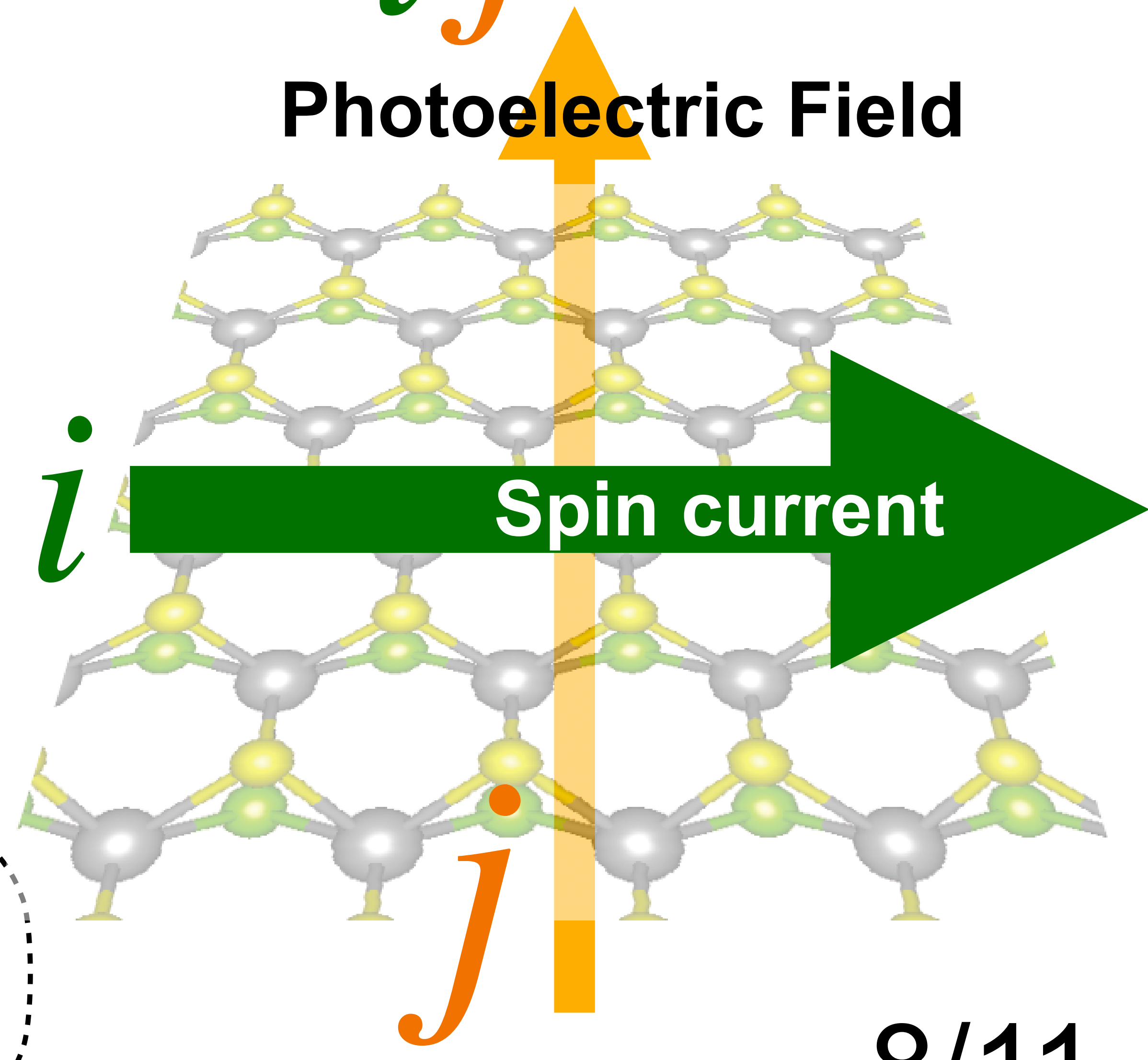
j : **Photoelectric field oscillation direction**

$spin(k)$: **Spin polarization direction**

Experimental conditions and external parameters



$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}^{spin(k)}$$



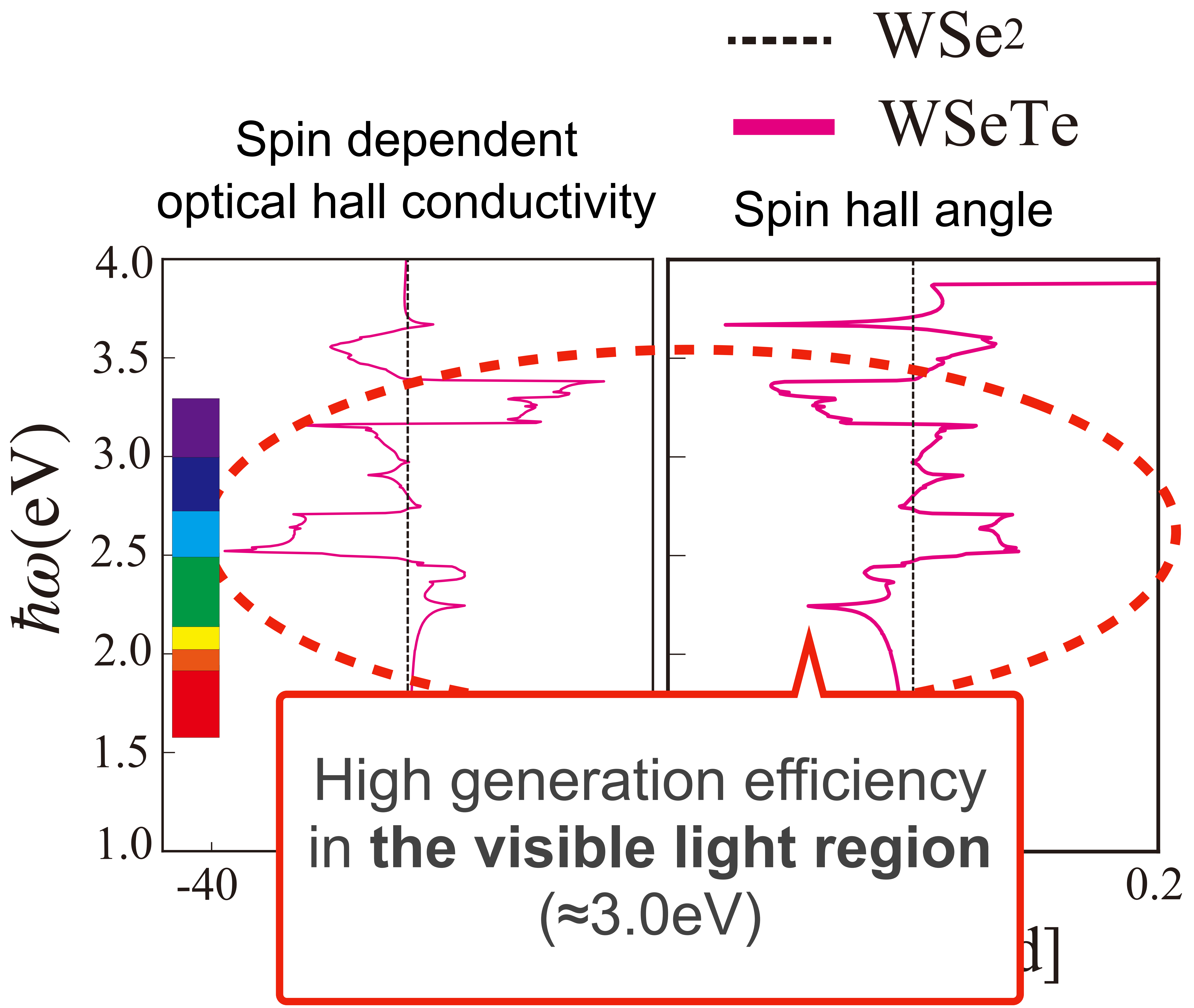
Other symbols

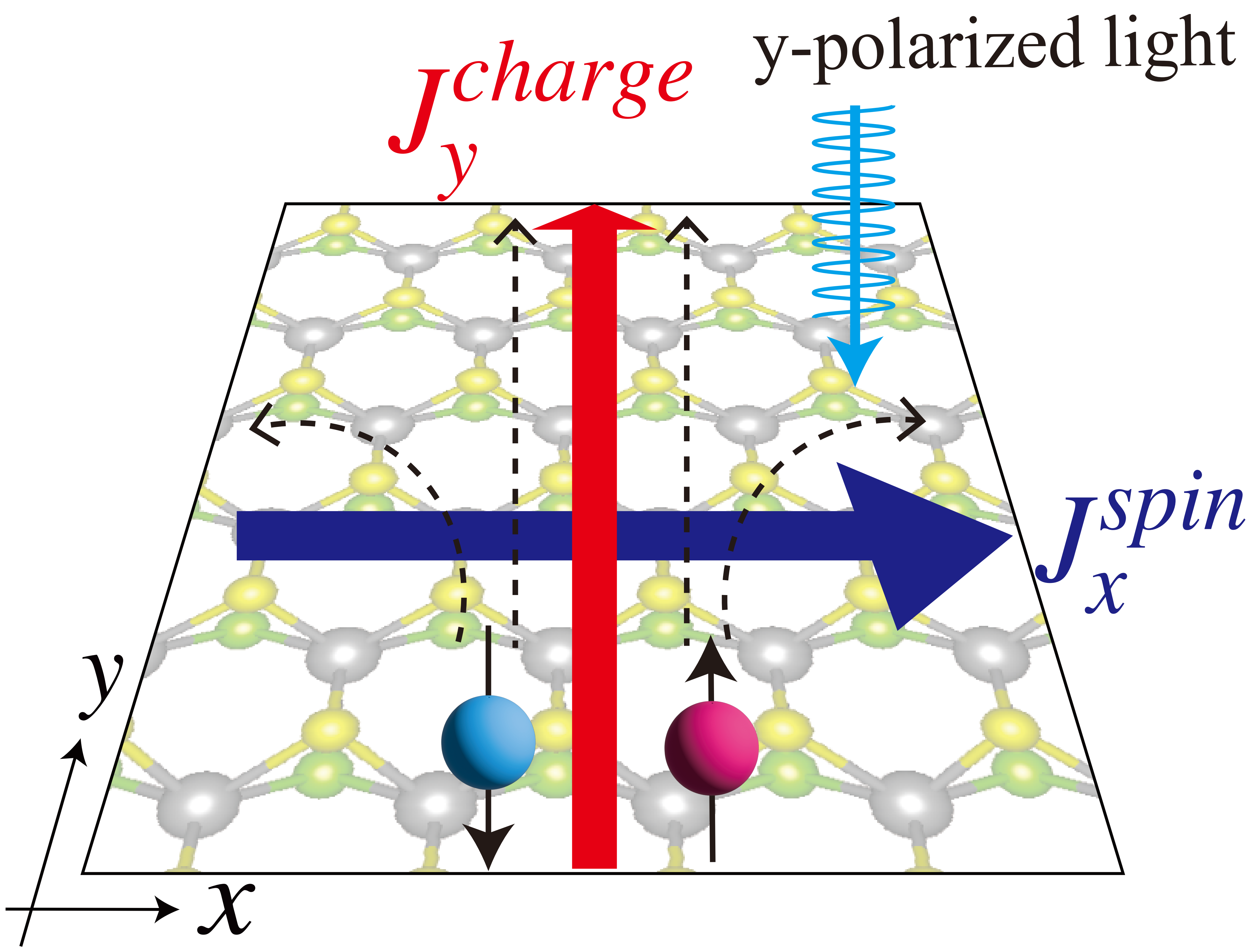
η : an infinitesimally small real number

$\hat{\sigma}_z$: Pauli matrix (z-component)

$f(E_n(\boldsymbol{k}))$: Fermi distribution function

Optically induced pure spin current





- **Pure spin currents are generated**

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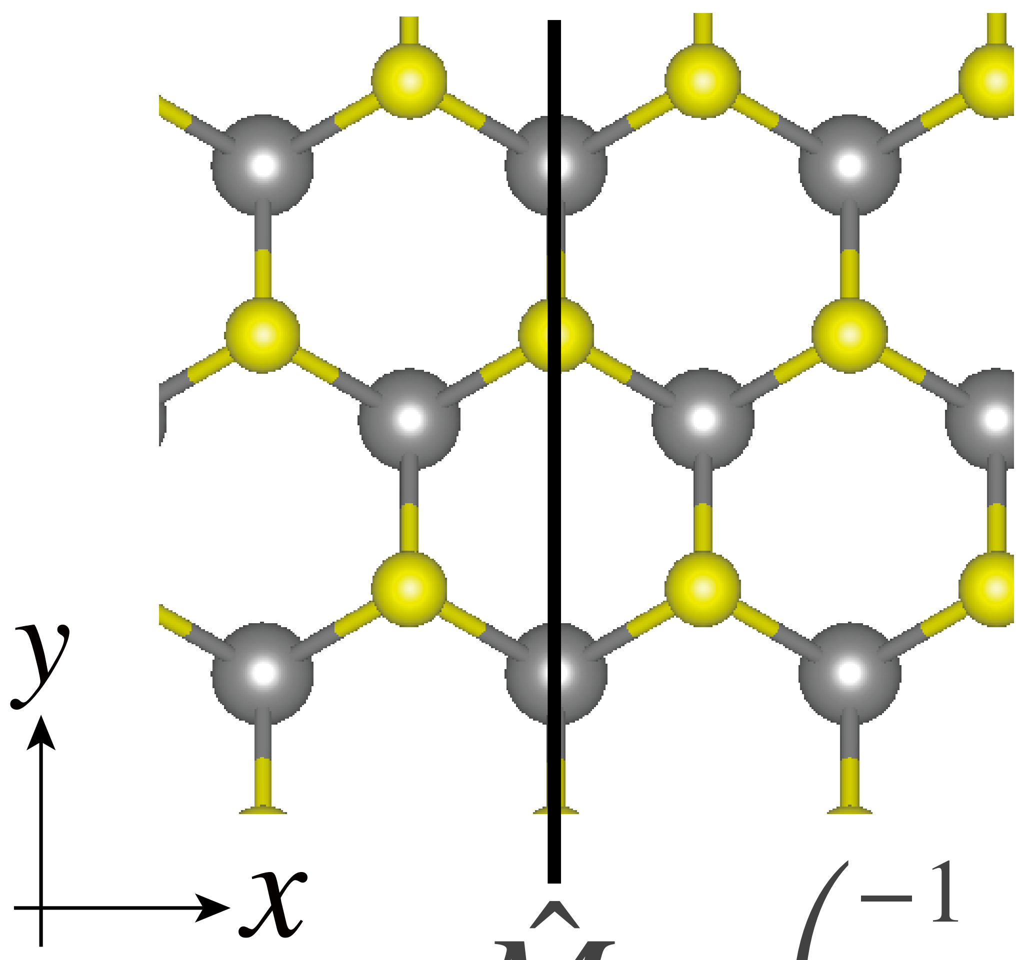
Neumann's principle

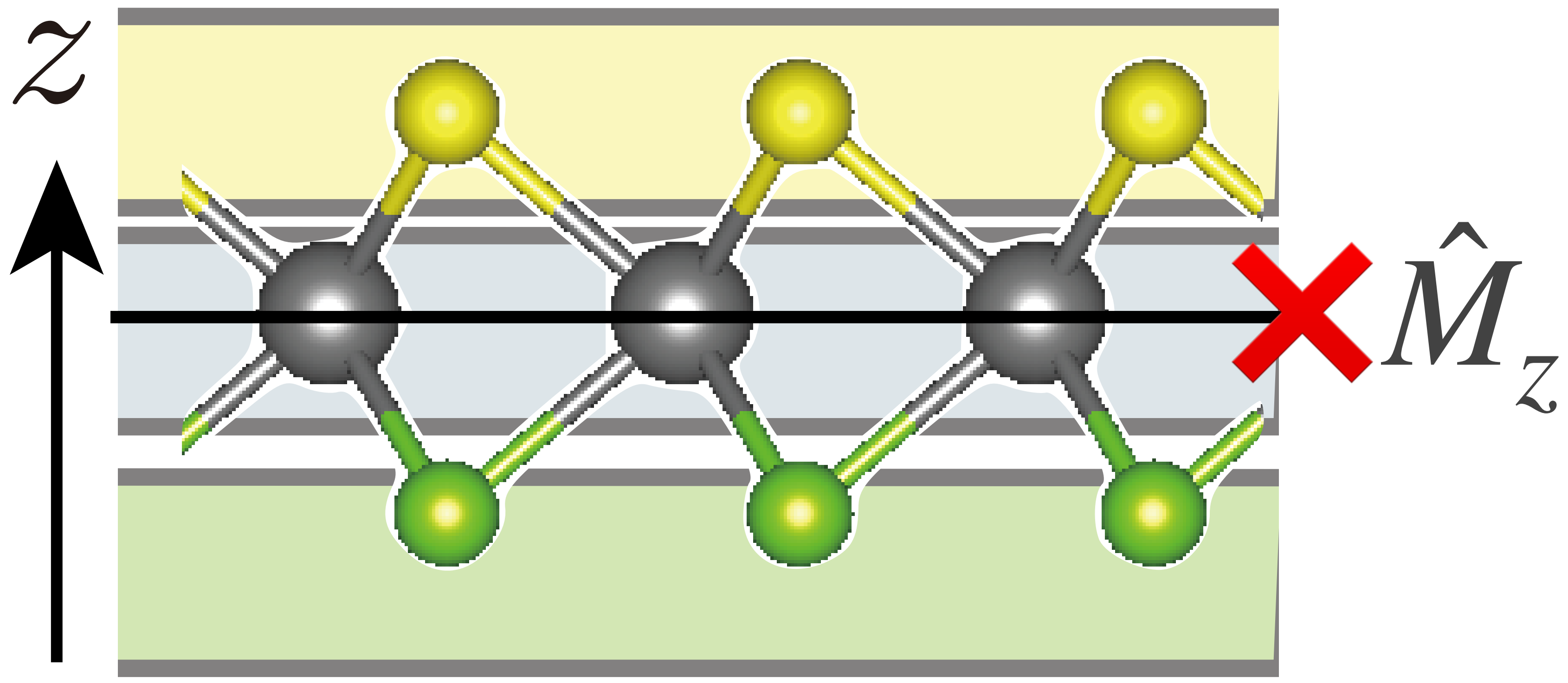
The physical properties of a crystal must obey **the symmetry of its structure**

$$\sigma^{\alpha}_{\beta\gamma} = \mathbf{det}(R) R_{\alpha\alpha'} R_{\beta\beta'} R_{\gamma\gamma'} \sigma^{\alpha'}_{\beta'\gamma'}$$

$\hat{R}$ Symmetry operator $\mathbf{det}(R) = \pm 1$

Janus TMDC

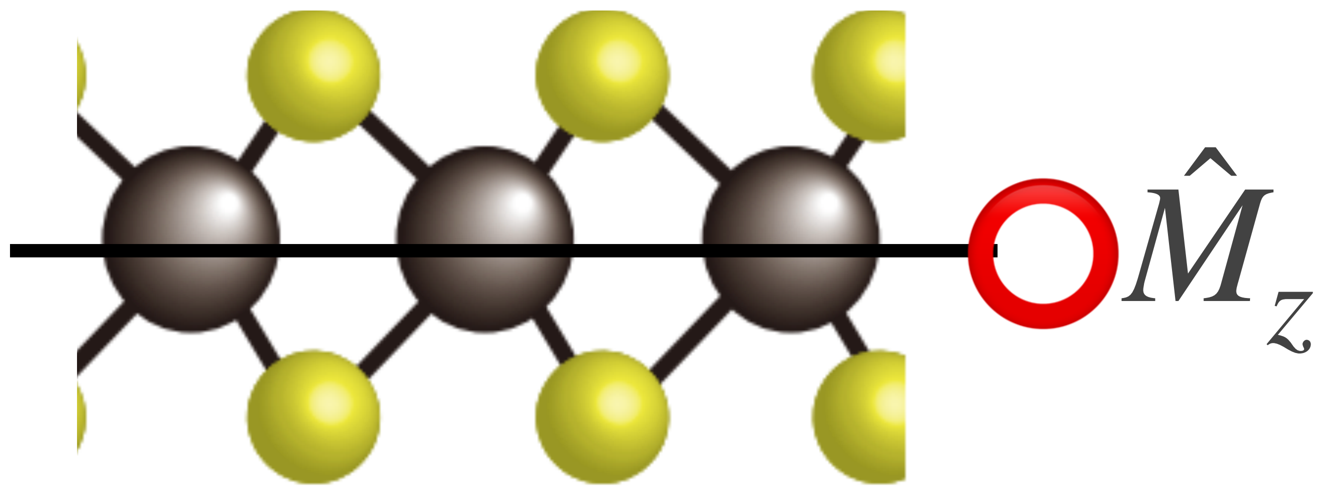




$$\hat{M}_x = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma^{spin(y)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma^{y}_{xy} \\ \sigma^{y}_{yx} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

TMDC



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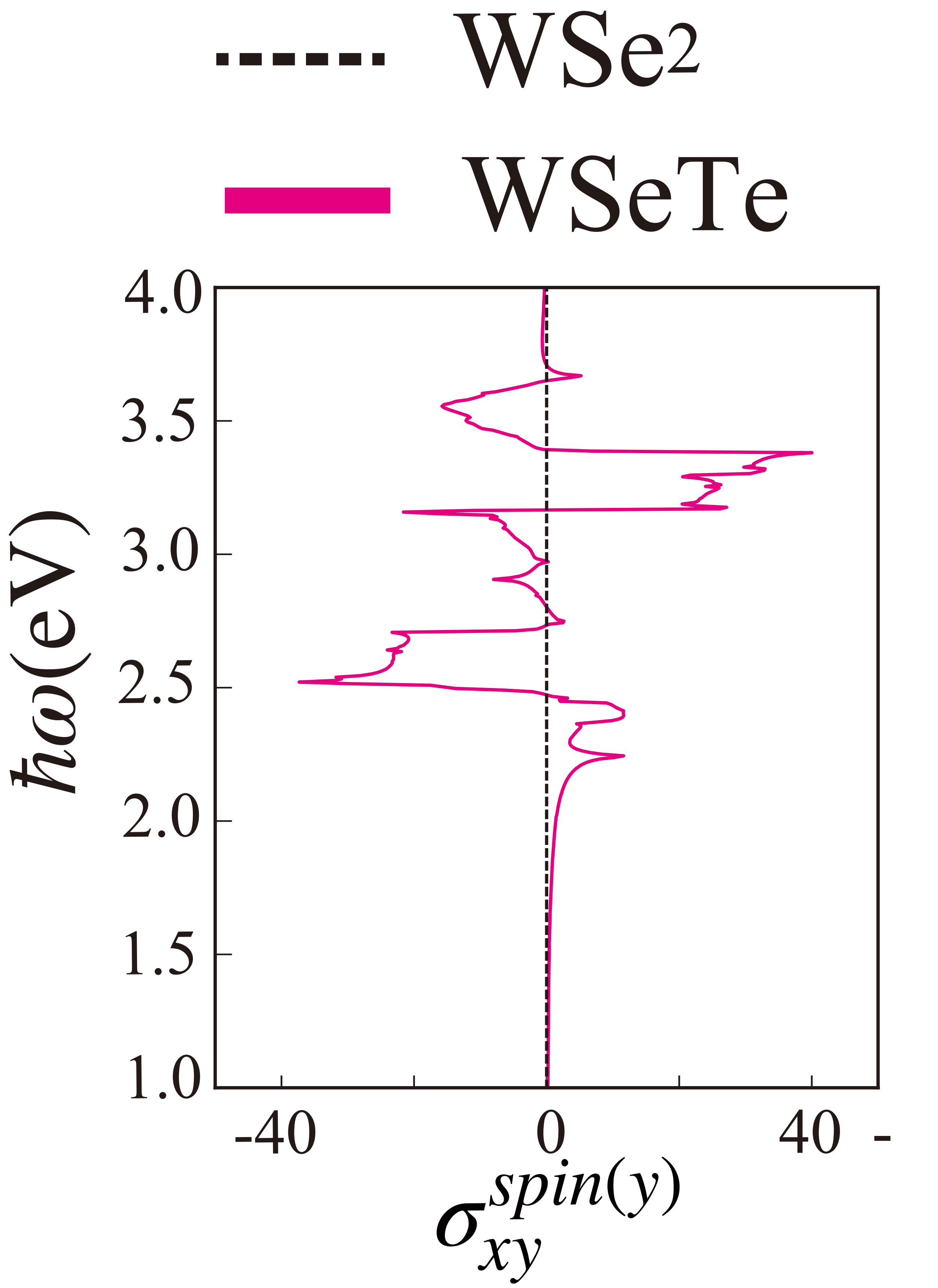
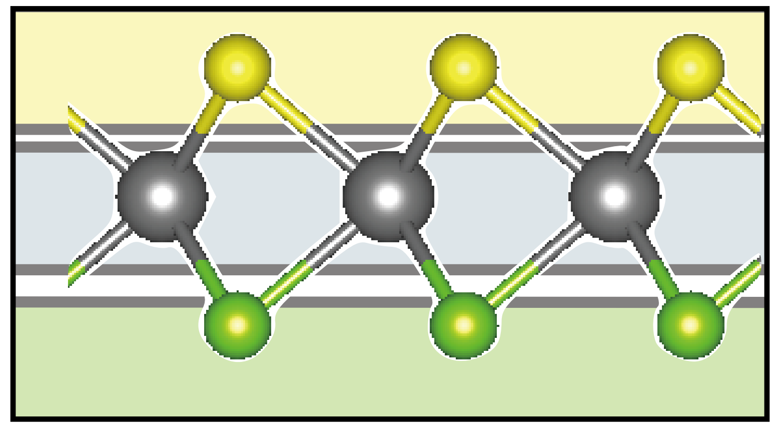


Spin dependent optical hall conductivity

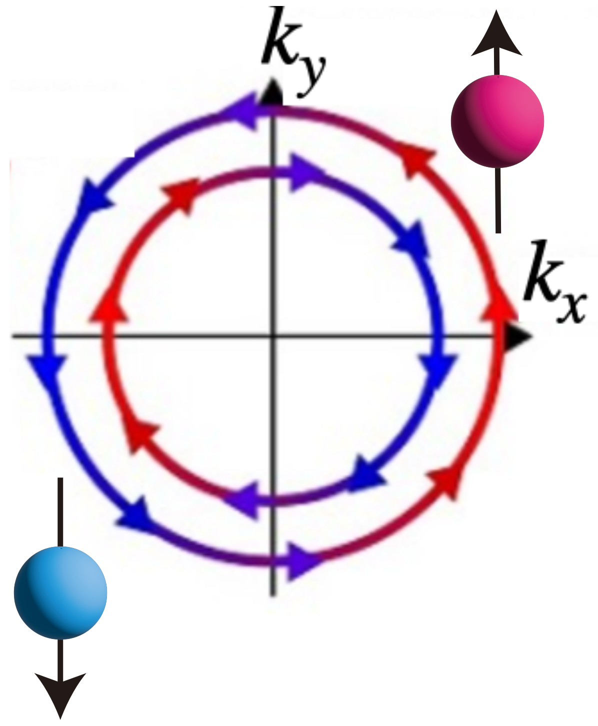
Summary Optically induced pure spin current in Janus TMDC

Factors

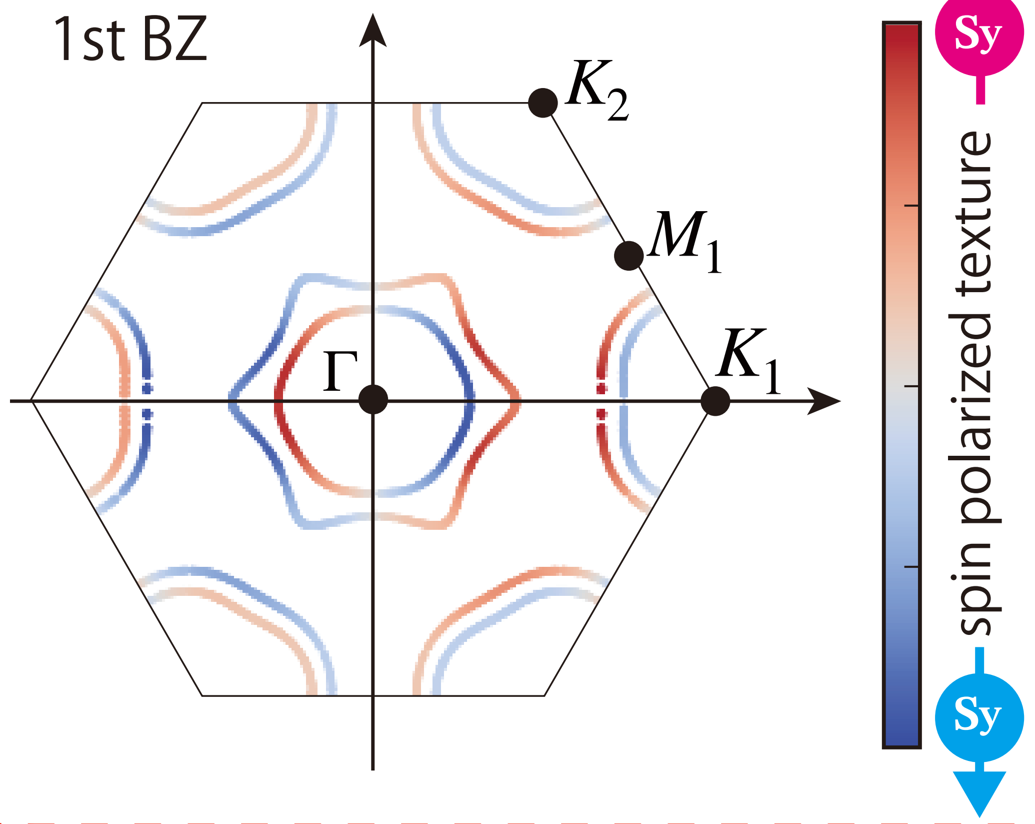
Structural asymmetry



Rashba SOC



In-plane spin polarization



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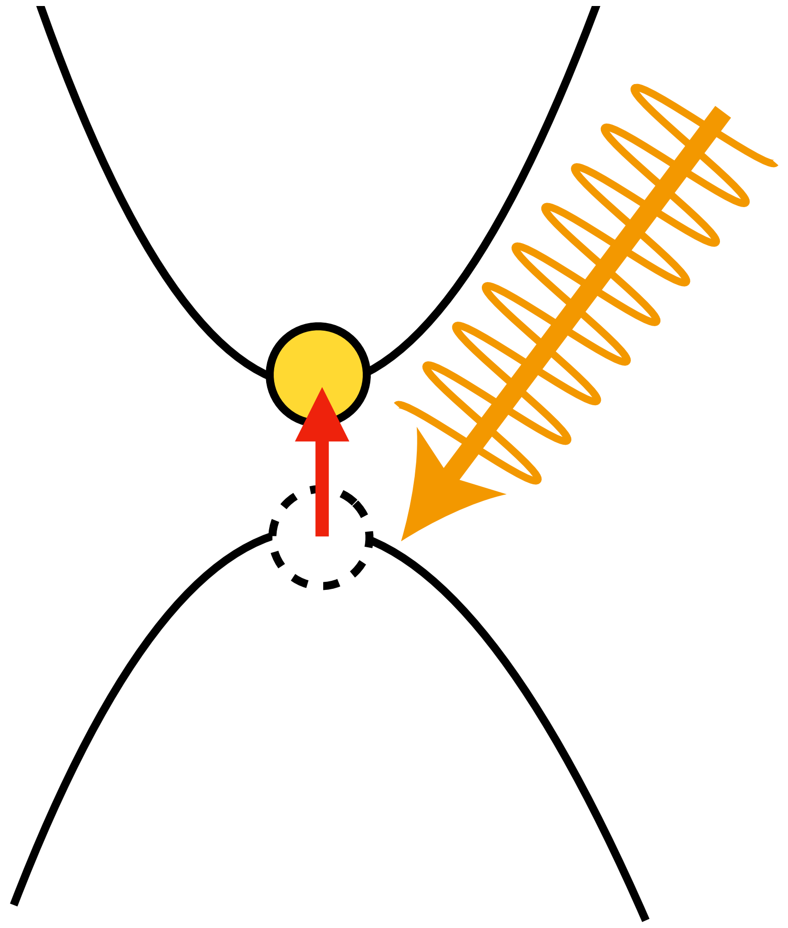
Carrier Excitation via Light



Methods

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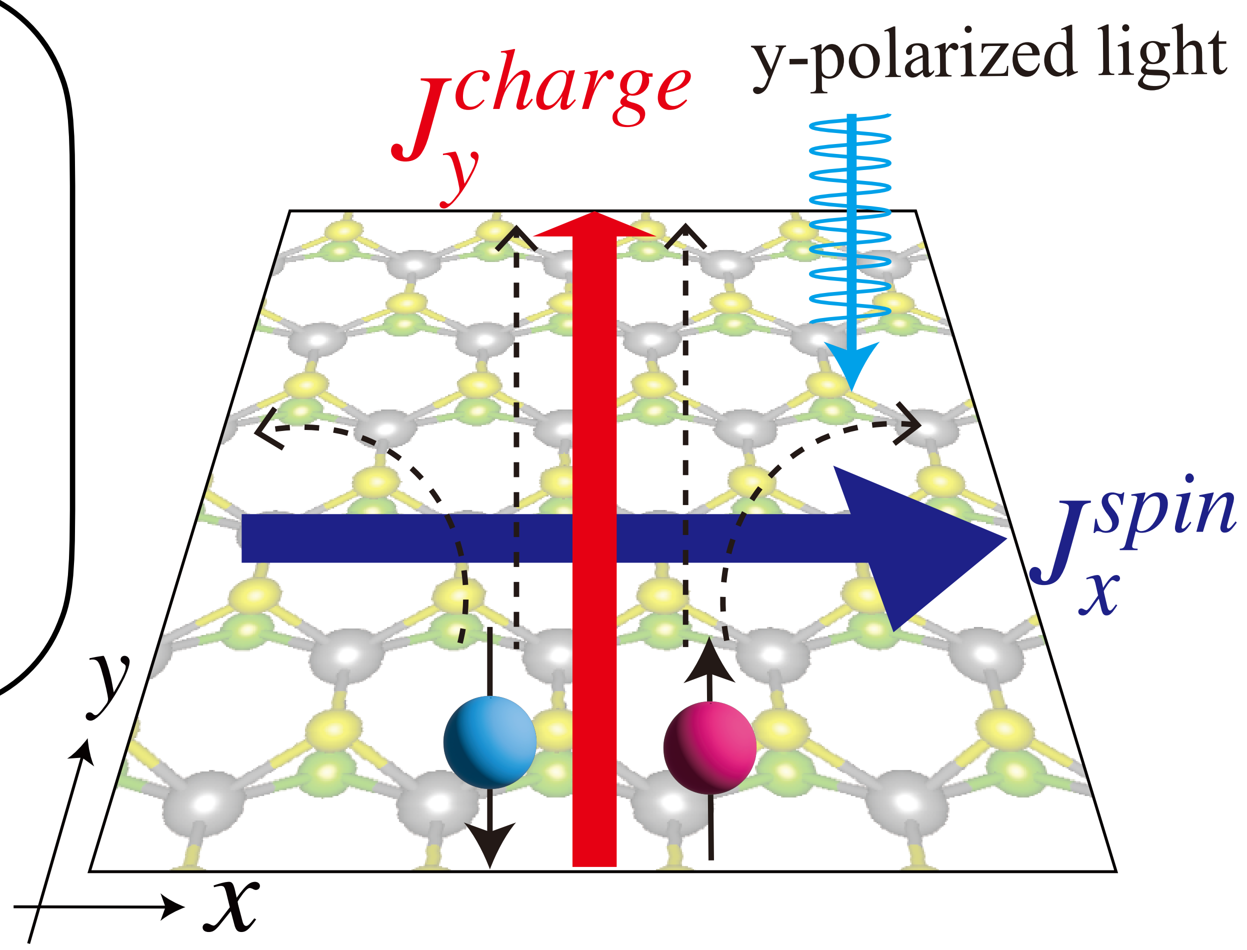

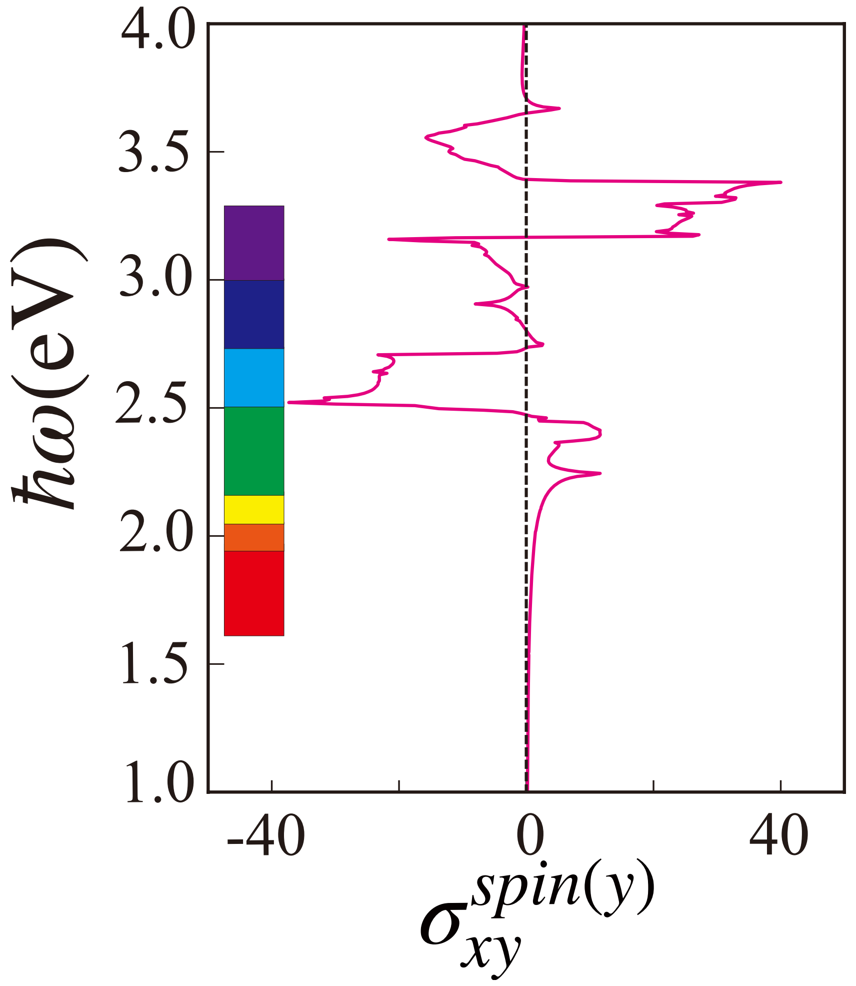

Our results offer a new degree of freedom for designing optospintronic devices, such as **spin current harvesting** via light irradiation in 2D materials

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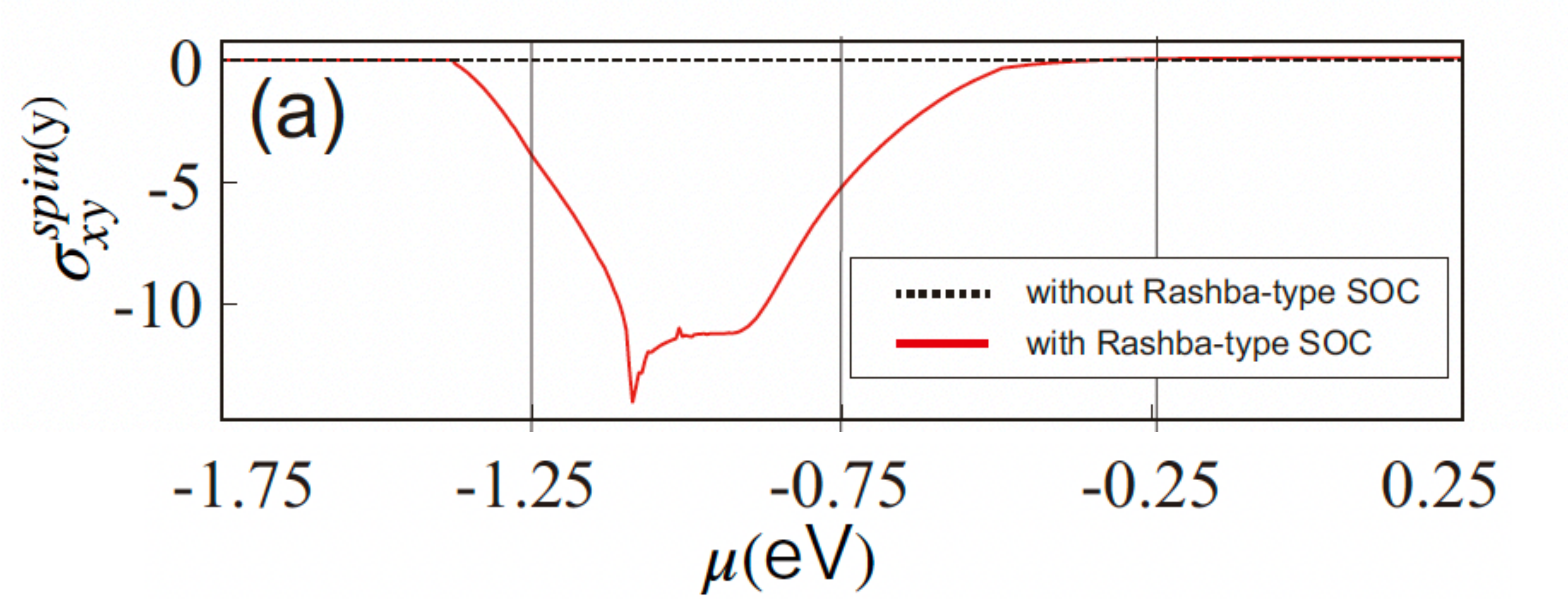
Appendix Direct current limit

$$\sigma_{ij}^{\mathrm{spin}(k)}(\omega) = \frac{e}{(2\pi)^2}\int_{\mathrm{BZ}} \Omega_{ij}^{\mathrm{spin}(k)}(\omega, \boldsymbol{k})\, d^2\boldsymbol{k}$$

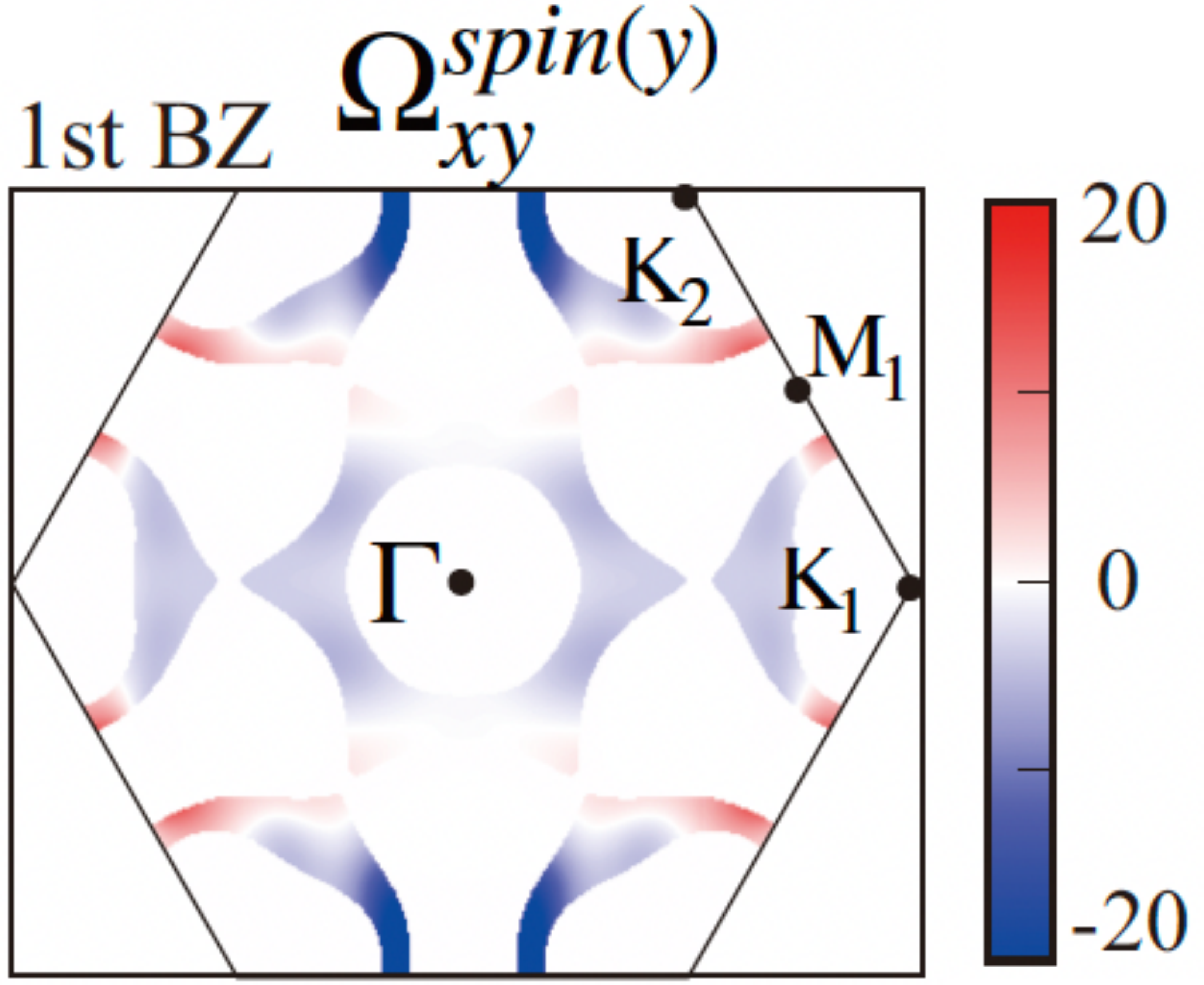
$\omega = 0$

Spin Berry curvature

$$\Omega_{i\perp j}^{\mathrm{spin}(k)}(\boldsymbol{k}) = \hbar \sum_n f(E_n(\boldsymbol{k})) \sum_{m(\neq n)} \frac{-2\mathrm{Im}\langle u_n(\boldsymbol{k})|\hat{j}_i^{\mathrm{spin}(k)}|u_m(\boldsymbol{k})\rangle\langle u_m(\boldsymbol{k})|\hat{v}_j|u_n(\boldsymbol{k})\rangle}{(E_m(\boldsymbol{k}) - E_n(\boldsymbol{k}))^2}$$

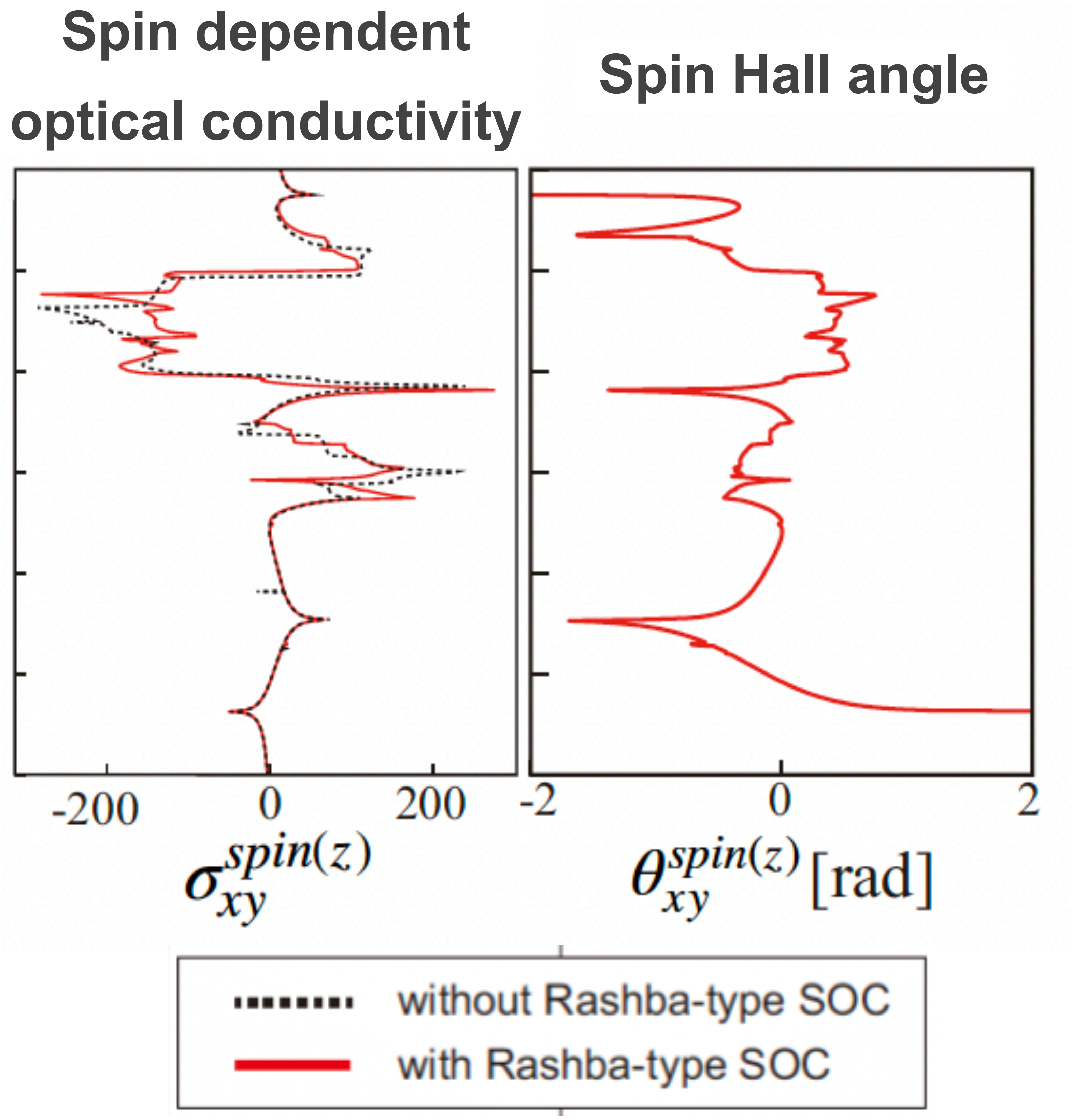


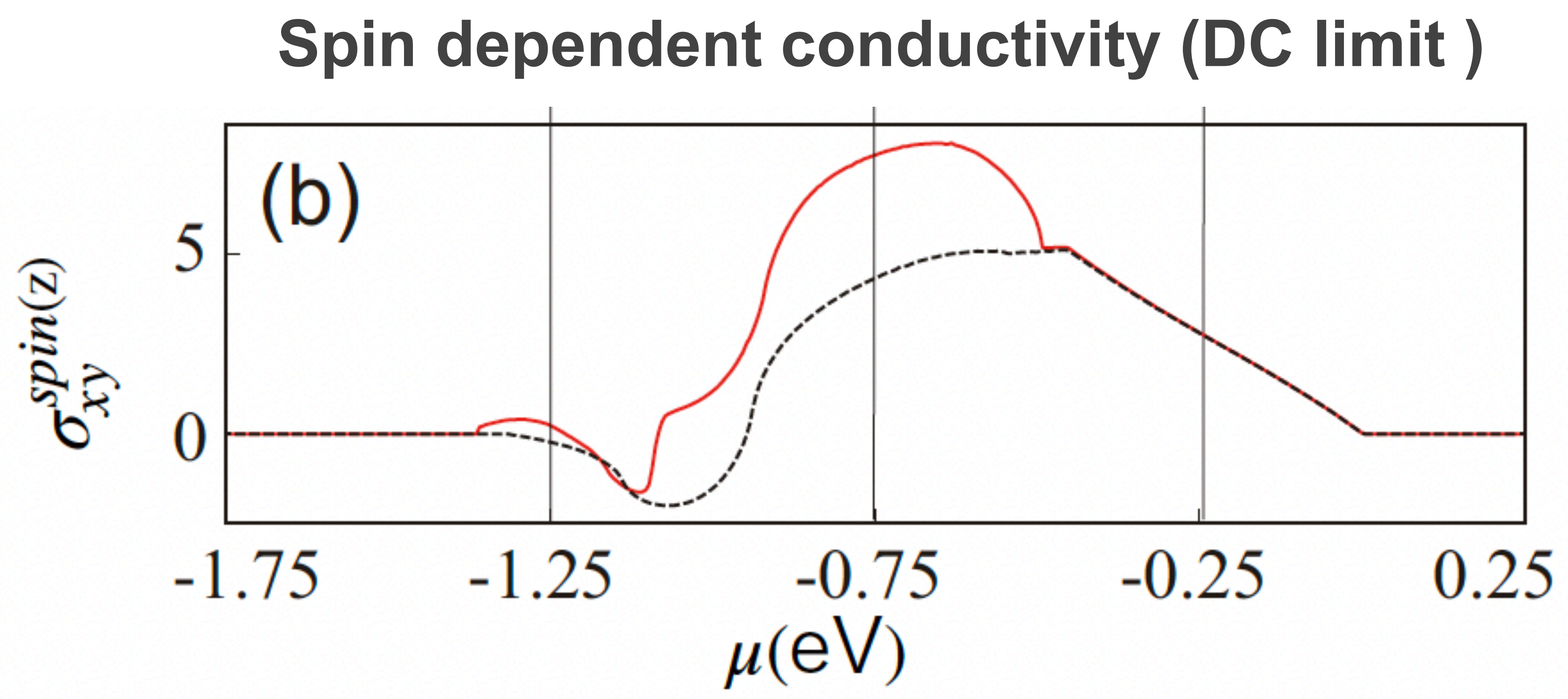
Spin dependent conductivity (DC limit)



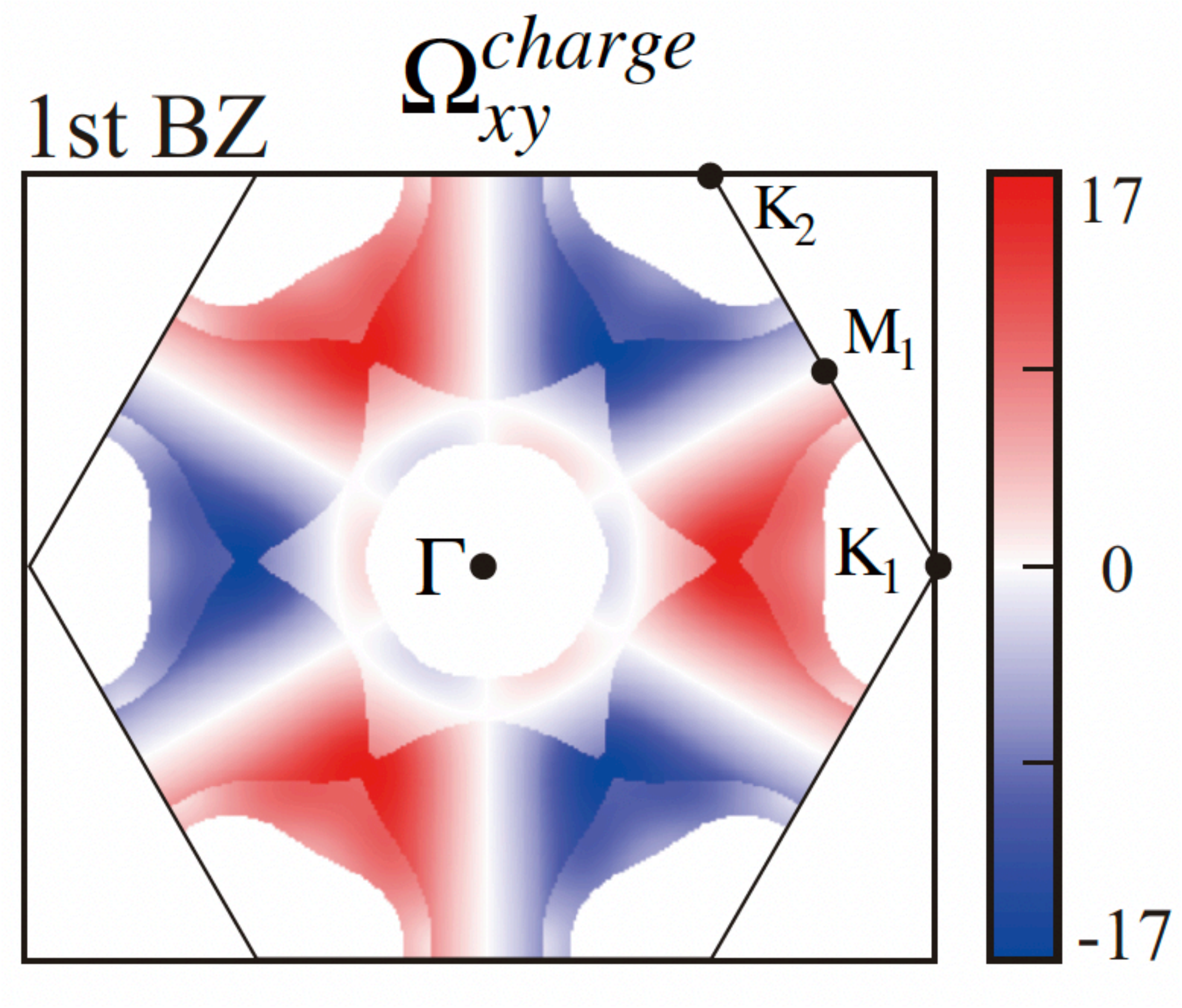
Spin Berry curvature

Appendix Ising SOC derived pure spin current





Appendix Charge Hall current



Appendix Neumann's principle

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- 紫：エネルギーが高い（380〜450nm、2.755〜3.26eV）
- 青：エネルギーが高い（430〜490nm）
- 緑：エネルギーが低い（495〜570nm、2.175〜2.50eV）
- 黄：エネルギーが低い（570〜590nm、2.10〜2.175eV）
- 橙：エネルギーが低い（590〜620nm、1.99〜2.10eV）
- 赤：エネルギーが最も低い（620〜750nm、1.65〜1.99eV）