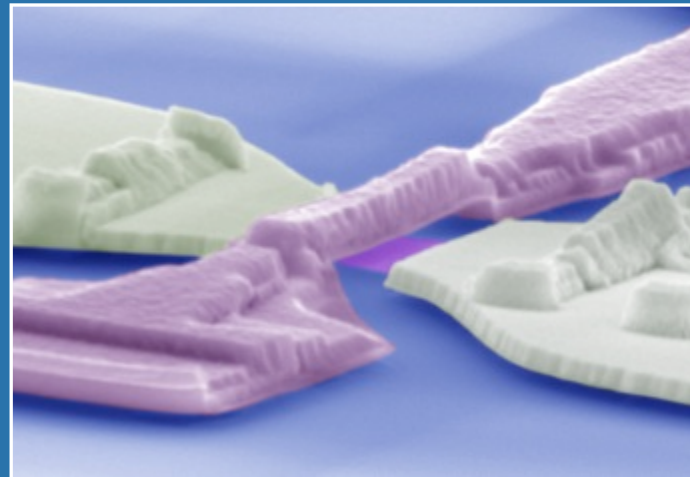


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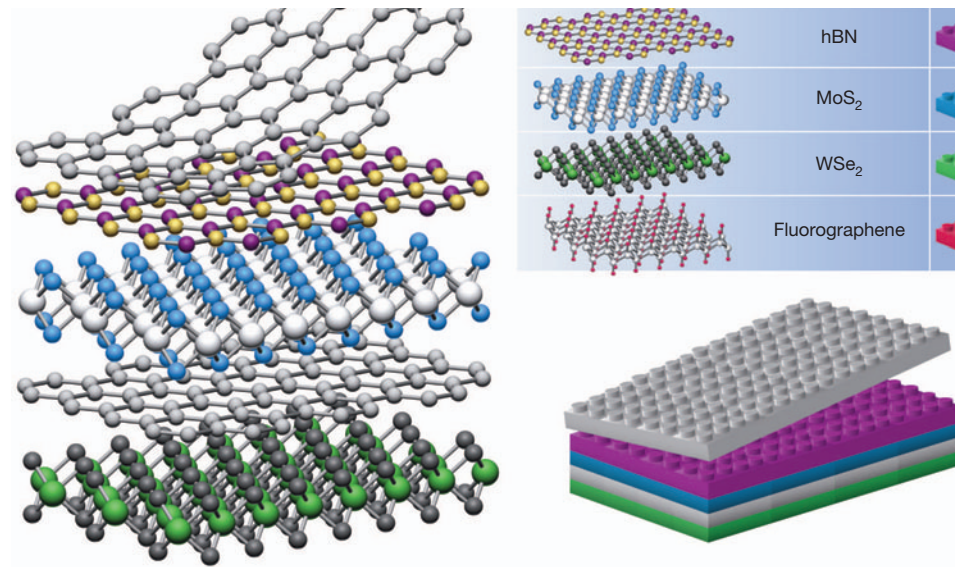
Quantum Hall Effect in Few-layer Atomic Membranes



Outline

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- Transport Properties of Ionic Liquid-Gated Suspended MoS₂ Transistors
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2D Materials and Heterostructures



Geim, Nature 2013.

- Conductors, e.g. graphene, few-layer graphene
- Semiconductors, e.g. MoS₂, WS₂,
- Superconductors, Nb₂Se₃
- Insulators, e.g. hBN
- Charge density waves, e.g. NbSe
- Ferromagnets, e.g. VSe₂

What to ask a material scientist/experimentalist



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High Mobility allows exploration of

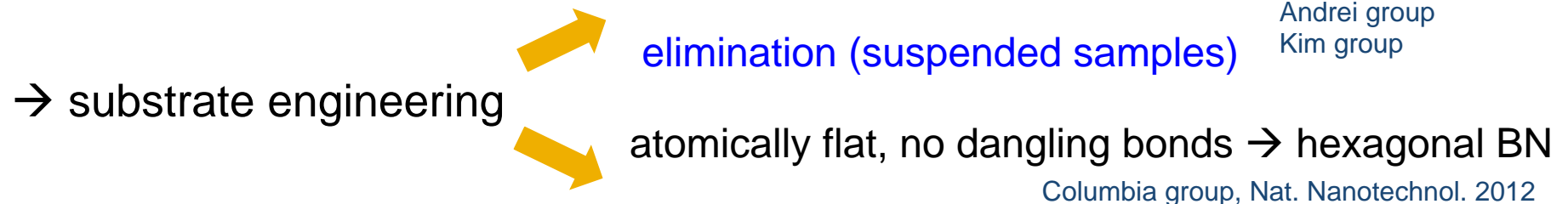
- Better electronic devices and transistors
- Novel phenomena not obscured by disorder
 - integer and fractional quantum Hall effect
 - magnetic focusing
 - electron optics
 - electron correlation
 - spontaneous symmetry breaking
 -
- ultimate possibilities
 - set the stage for technological innovations and revolutions



Usual Suspects of Mobility Bottleneck

- Lattice defects/substitutions/vacancies
- Phonons
 - intrinsic
 - surface phonons from **substrates**
- Impurities
 - intrinsic
 - charged impurities/dangling bonds from **substrates**
- Ripples and corrugations
 - intrinsic
 - **substrates**

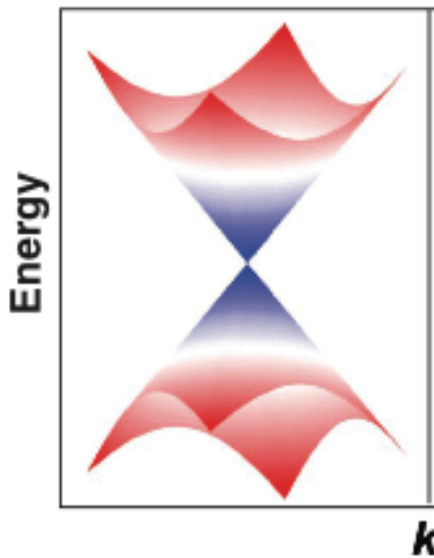
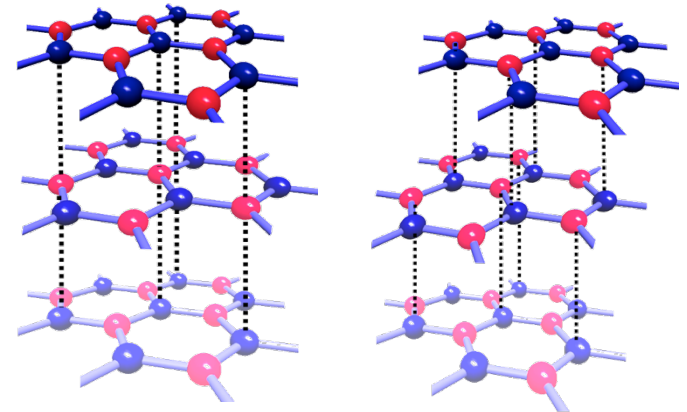
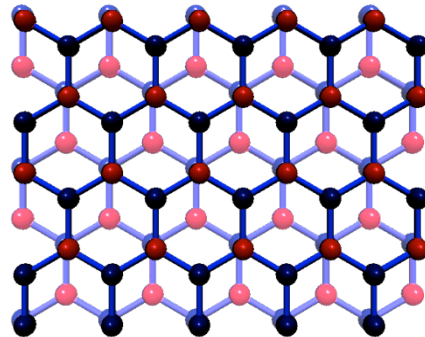
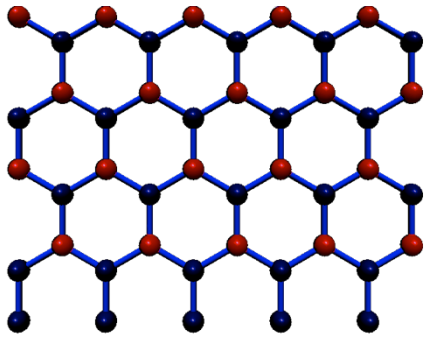
Schottky barriers (for semiconducting 2D materials)



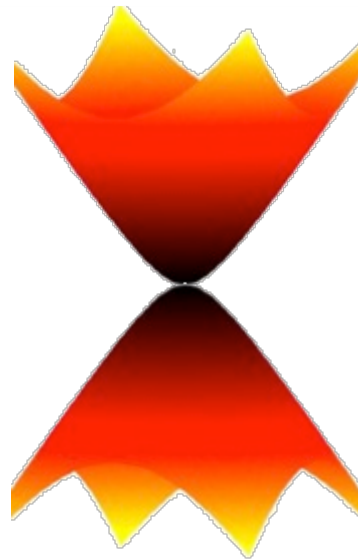
There is still life in graphene....

- Extremely **simple** and **elegant** system and Hamiltonian
- **Rich physics**
 - massless or massive Dirac fermions
 - possible phases: layer antiferromagnet, ferromagnet, unconventional superconductivity, quantum spin Hall...
- **Strong interactions** in few-layer graphene with competing symmetries (layer, valley, spin, orbital...)
→ rich phase diagram
- Fantastic **quantum Hall** platform
 - multicomponent
 - lowest Landau level is $2L$ -degenerate ($L = \#$ layers)
 - extremely tunable (density, $B_t \rightarrow$ spin, $B_{\perp} \rightarrow$ orbital, $E_{\perp} \rightarrow$ layer)

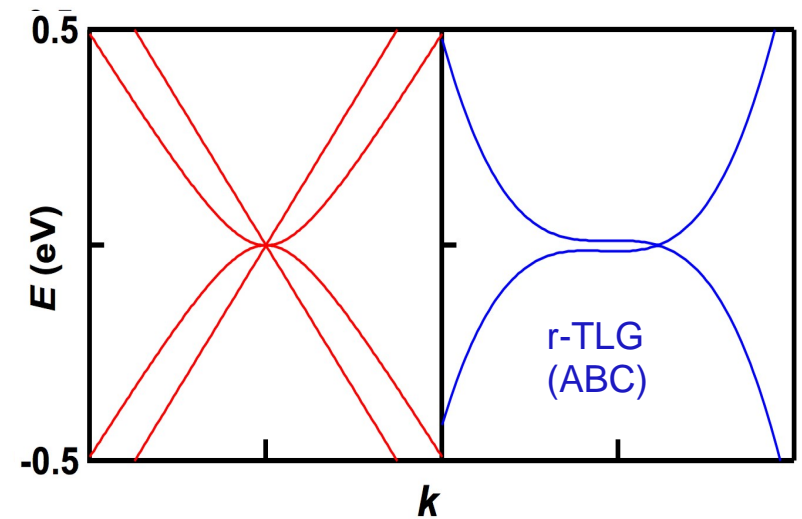
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$$E = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m^*}$$

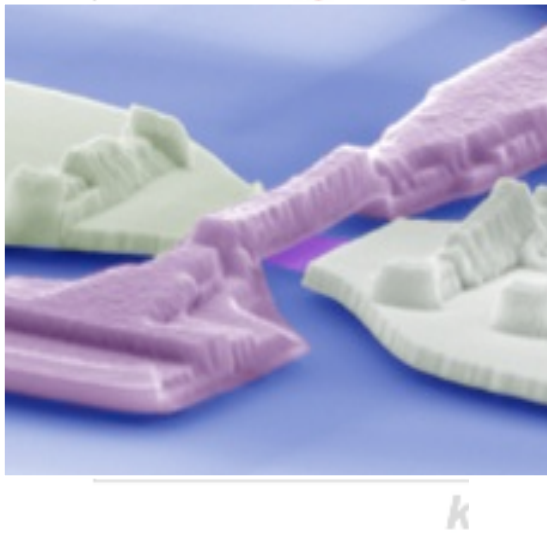


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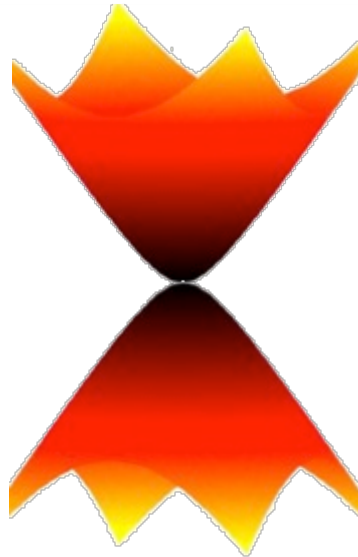
$$E = \frac{\hbar^3 v_F^3 k^3}{t_{\perp}^2}$$

1, 2, 3...

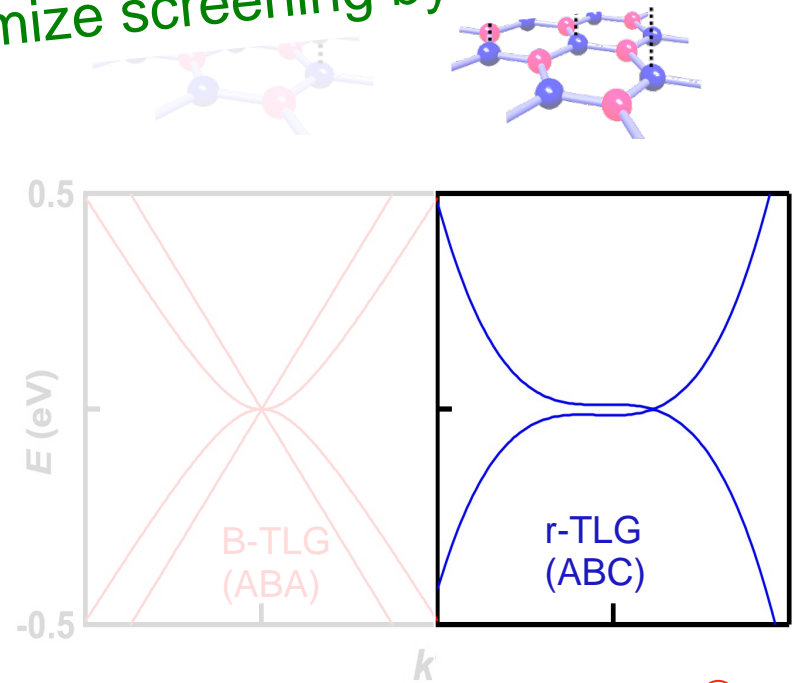
- Flat bands and large density of states at DP
- Unstable to electronic interactions → symmetry broken states
- Use suspended samples to minimize screening by substrate



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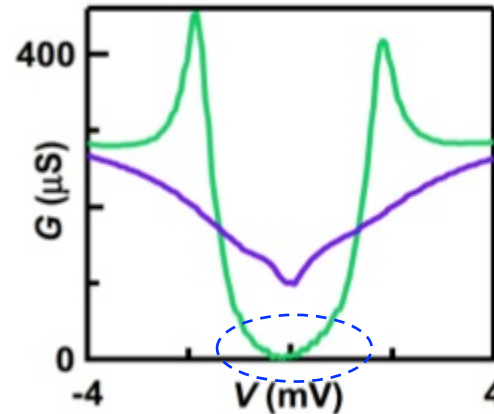
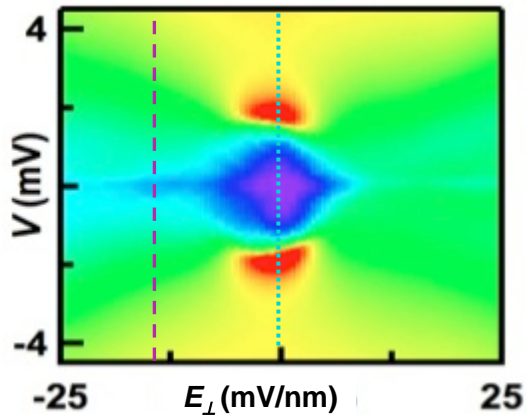


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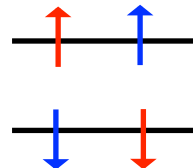
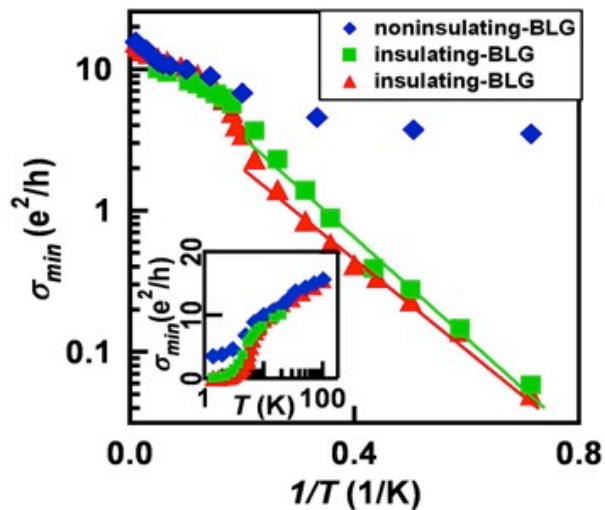
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Gapped Insulating State in BLG

dI/dV vs. Electric field and source-drain bias at charge neutrality point



- **intrinsic gapped** ground state $\sim 2\text{meV}$
- Gap can be closed by electric field of either polarity $\sim 12\text{ meV/nm}$.
- Layer antiferromagnet

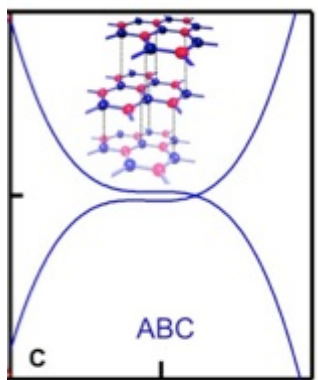
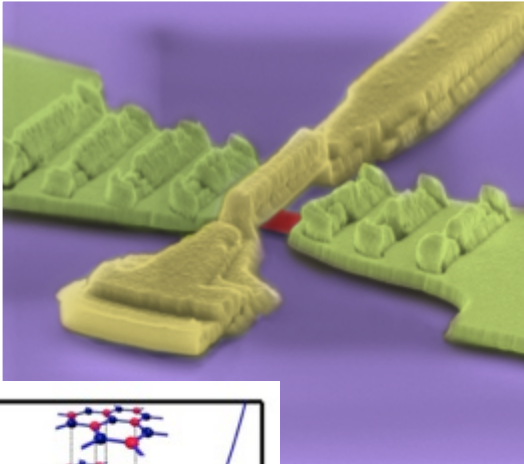


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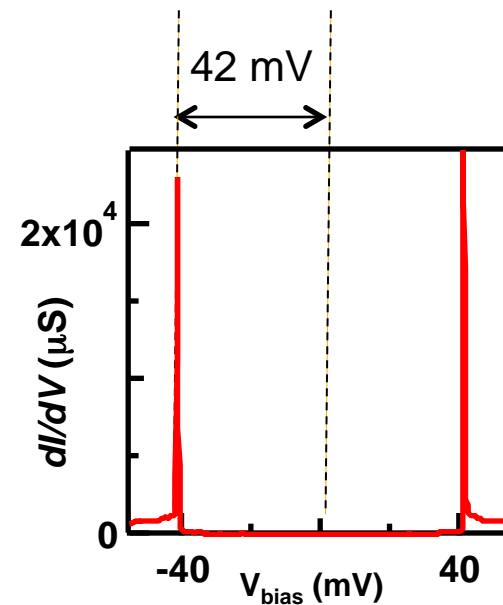
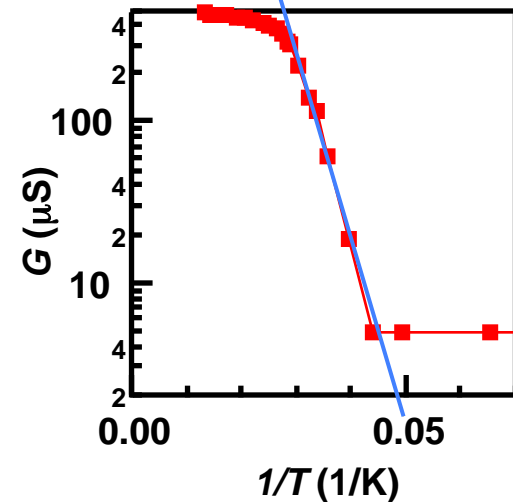
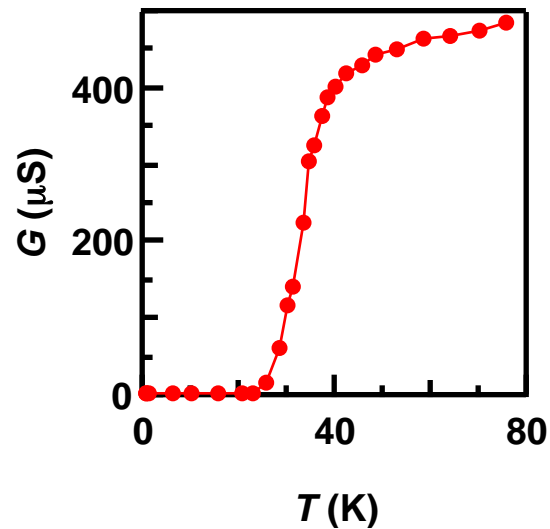
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See also results from Yacoby group, Schonenberger group, van wees group and Morpurgo group.

Dual-Gated Suspended ABC Trilayer Graphene



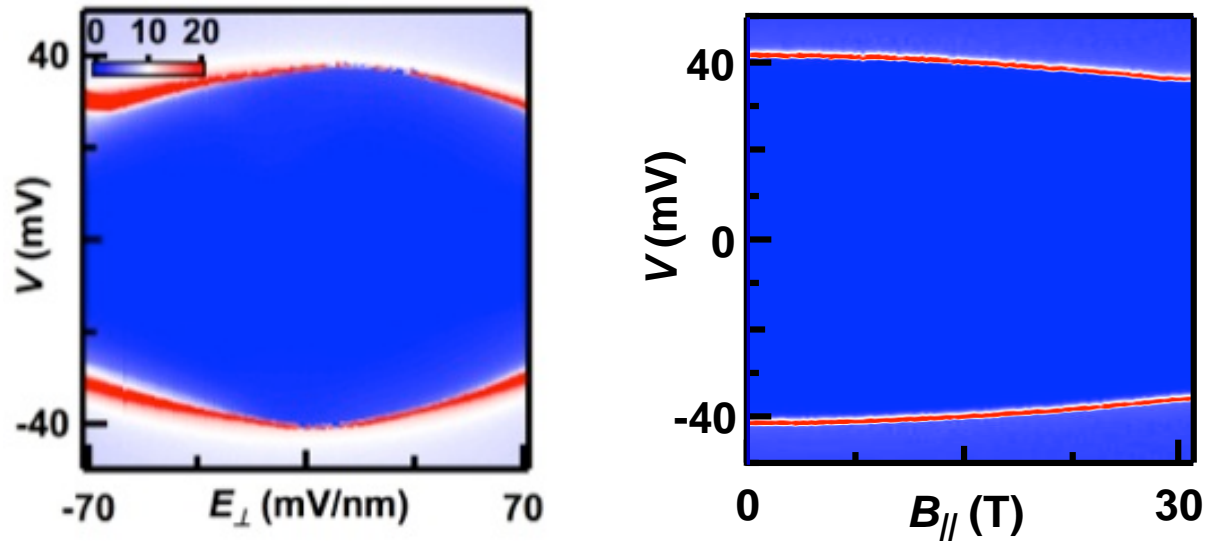
mobility
20,000 –
90,000 cm²/
Vs



- Metal – insulator transition, $T_c \sim 35\text{K}$
- Thermal activation measurement yields $\Delta \sim 41\text{ meV}$
- $G(V_{bias})$ curves at $E_{\perp}=n=0$ yield $\Delta \sim 42\text{ meV}$

Effect of electric and magnetic fields

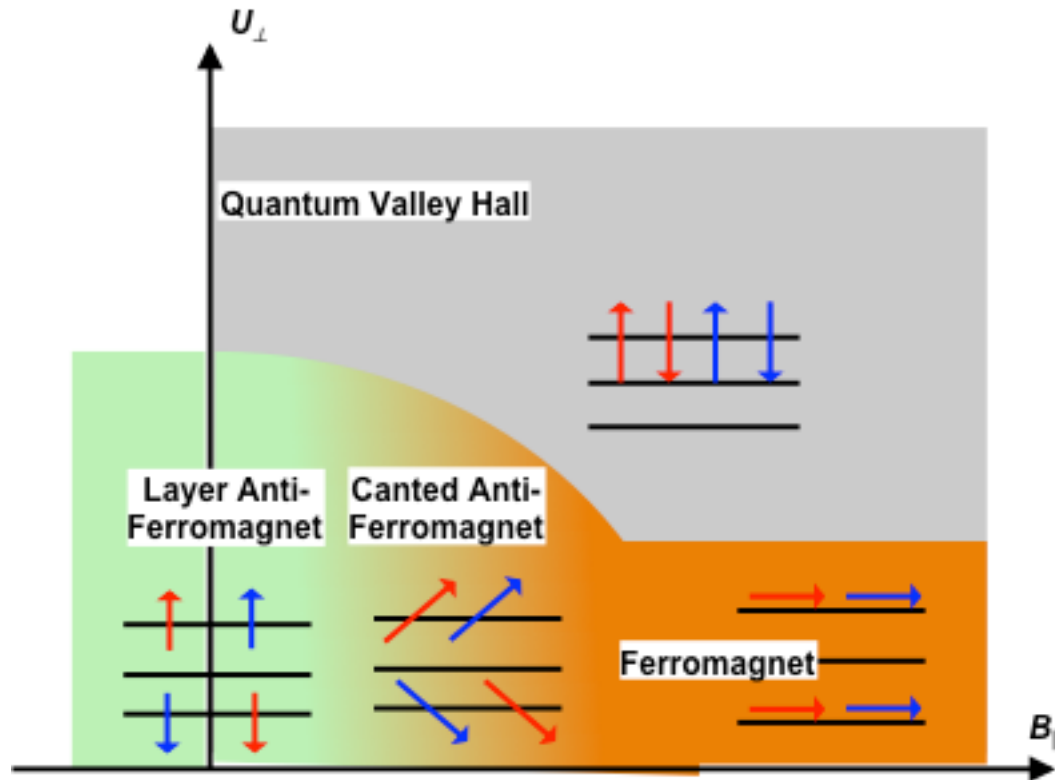
Differential conductance G vs source drain bias V at $n=0$



- gap reduced symmetrically by $|E_{\perp}|$
→ not layer polarized; arises from electronic interactions
- gap reduced by parallel magnetic field at 30T

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Proposed Phase Diagram



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Layer-dependent Gap

- Spontaneous and single-particle gaps
- why stop at 3...

$$\alpha \sim \frac{\text{Coulomb Energy}}{\text{Fermi Energy} \sim k^p} \sim \kappa^{-1} n^{-\frac{p-1}{2}}$$

n =charge density (10^{10} cm^{-2})
 κ =dielectric constant

	Dispersion	α ($\kappa=1$)	Interaction-induced Gap	T_c
GaAs/AlGaAs	$E \sim k^2$	$(10-50)/\sqrt{n}$		
Single Layer Graphene	$E \sim k$	2.2	<0.1 meV	N/A
Bilayer Graphene	$E \sim k^2$	$70/\sqrt{n}$	2-3 meV	5K
ABC-stacked Trilayer	$E \sim k^3$	$1500/n$	40 meV	36K
ABC-stacked N-layer	$E \sim k^N$	gigantic	gigantic?	RT?

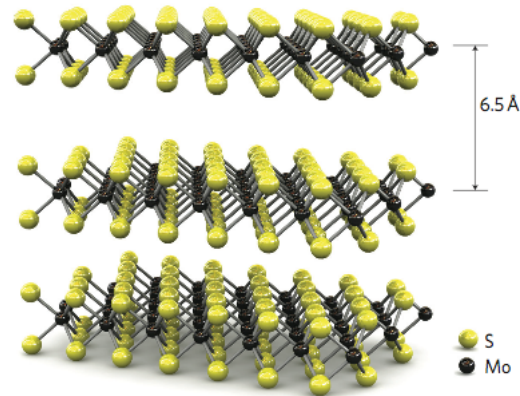
Interaction-induced gap in tetra-layer?

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MoS₂

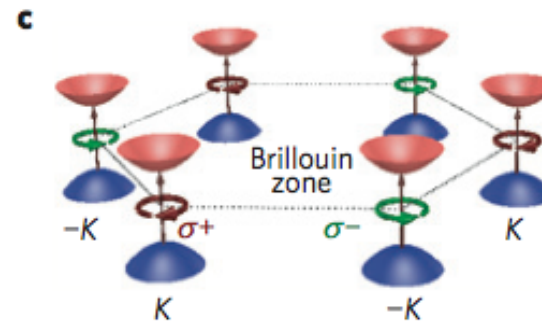
- gapped, On/Off ratio $>10^6$
- direct-to-indirect band gap transition as function of thickness
- valley physics



Radisavljevic et al, Nat. Nanoetchnol. 2011.

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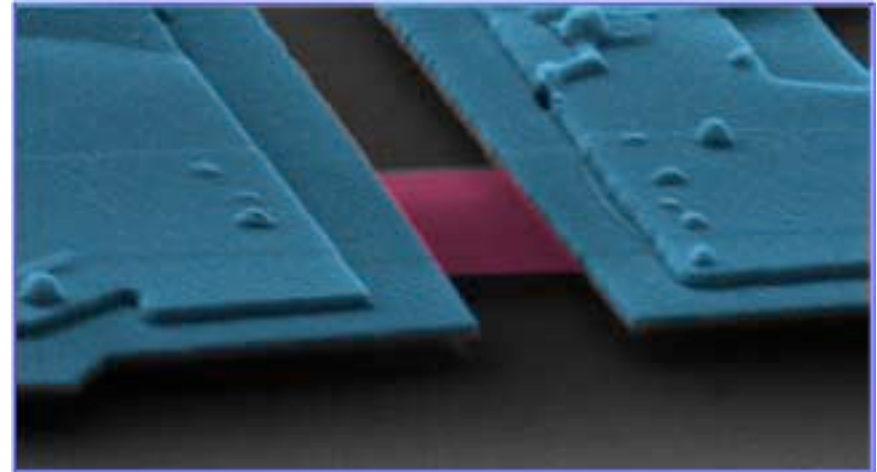
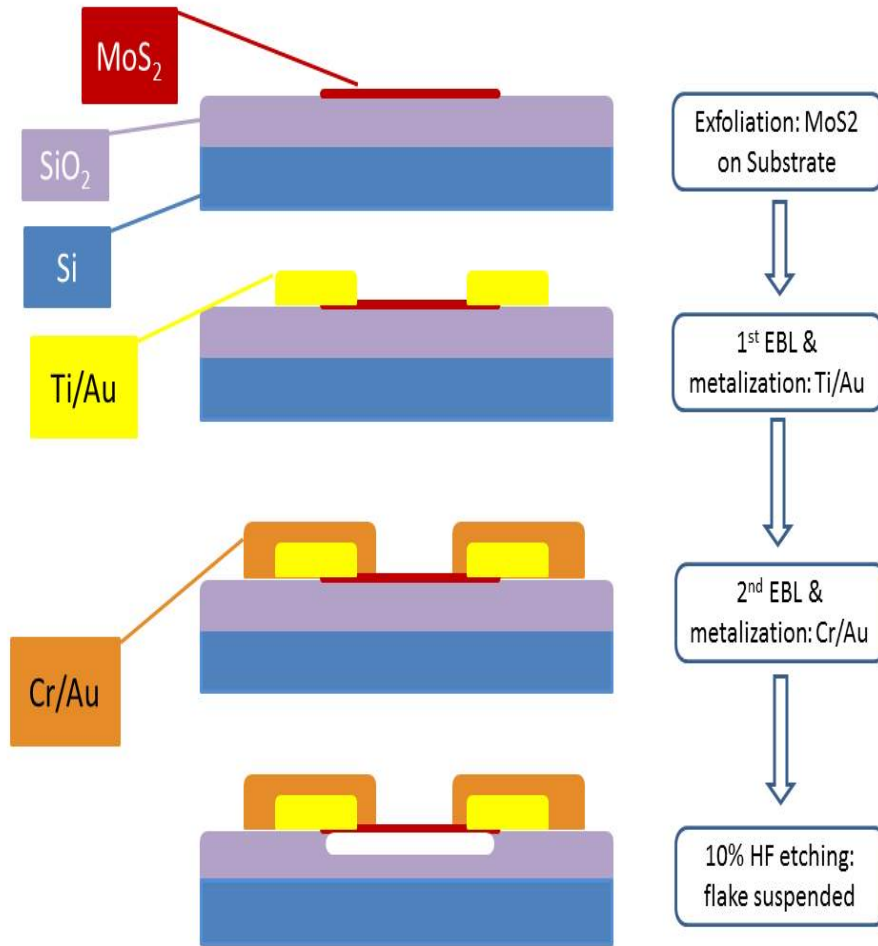
Mobility $< \sim 200 - 500 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$



Wu et al, Nat. Phys. 2013.

and many others

Suspending MoS₂



- the mobility is even lower, 0.1 -50 cm²/Vs
- gas annealing → 200 cm²/Vs
- Removing substrates does not significantly improve mobility
- Other mobility bottlenecks:
 - Schottky barriers at contact
 - impurity scattering
 - defects

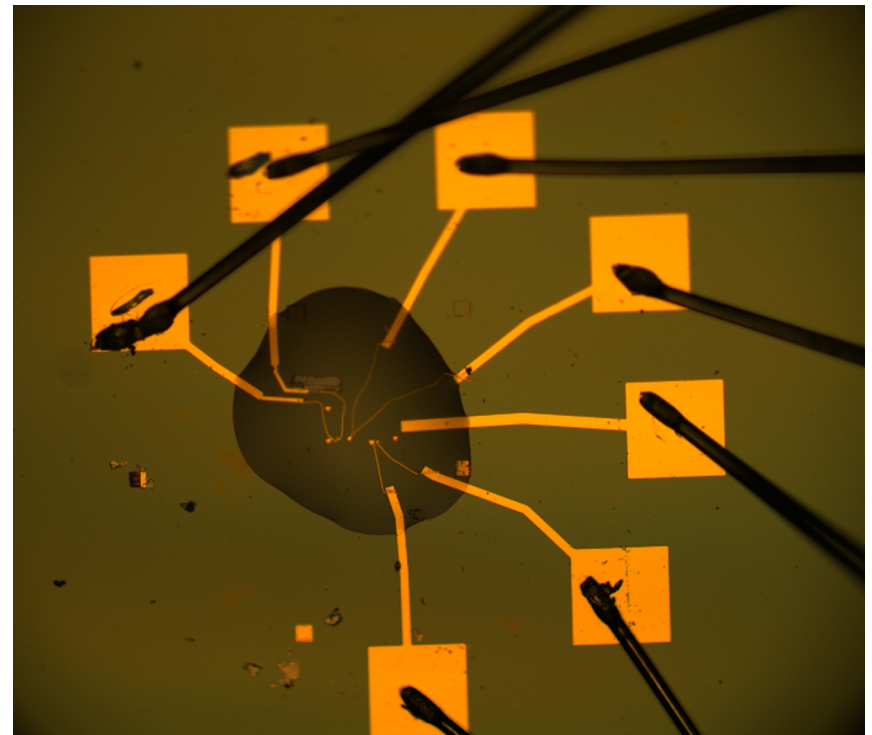
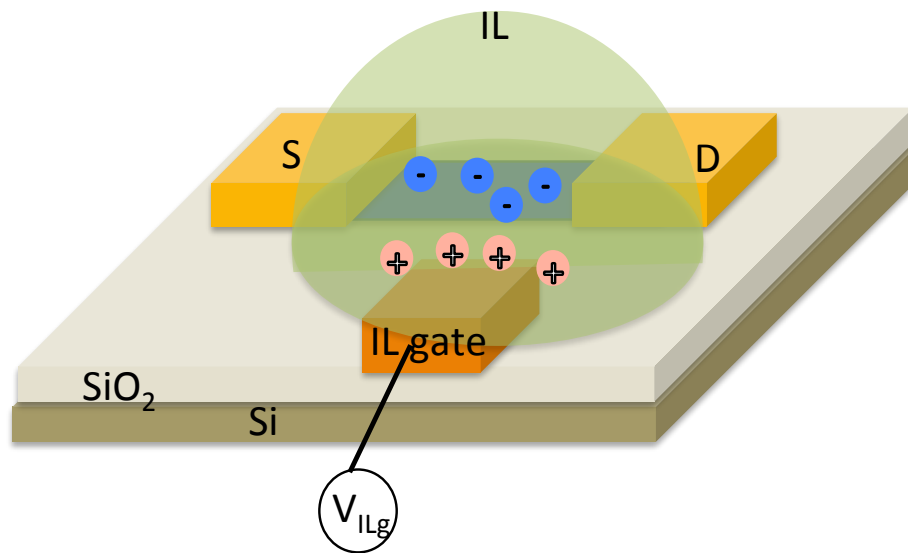
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see recent work from Columbia group

Ionic liquid gating of MoS₂

In collaboration with Robert Haddon at UCR

- Ionic liquids are molten salts with low melting point
- can induce high carrier density (up to 10^{14} cm⁻²)
- use DEME-TFSI (N,N-diethyl-N-(2-methoxyethyl)-N-methylammonium bis-(trifluoromethylsulphonyl)-imide)



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Comparing Suspended and non-suspended devices

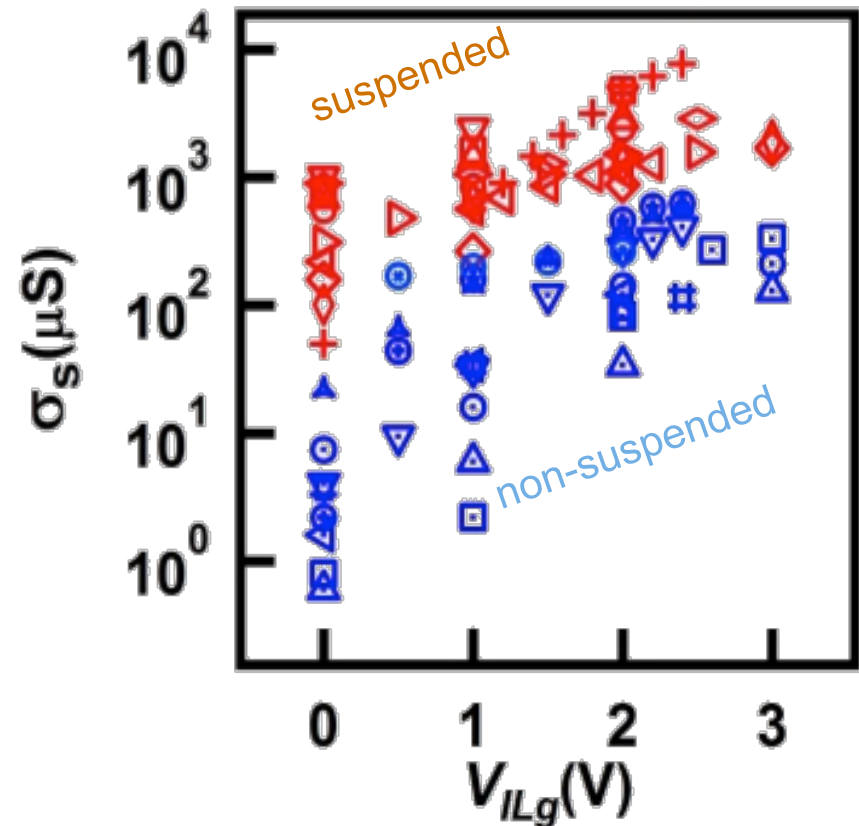
Performed IL gating of 9 **suspended** and 9 **substrate-supported** samples

- use DEME-TFSI (N,N-diethyl-N-(2-methoxyethyl)-N-methylammonium bis-(trifluoromethylsulphonyl)-imide)
- all suspended devices are more conductive by 1-4 orders of magnitude

→ IL gating is more effective in free-standing devices

Mechanism:

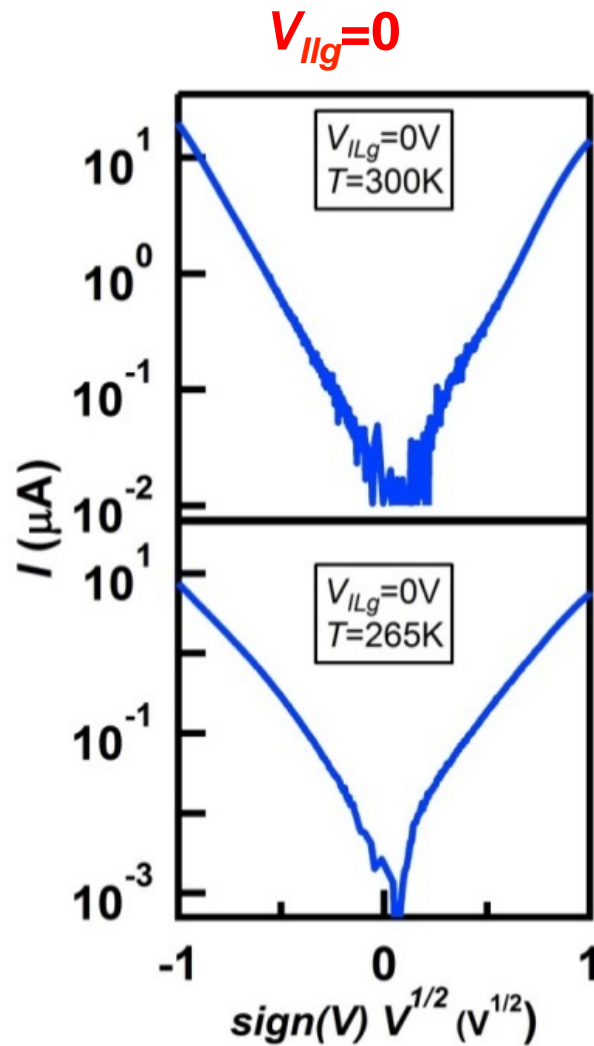
1. Higher charge density
2. Better screening that reduce Schottky barriers and impurity scattering



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Transport Mechanism

Schottky emission at MoS₂-electrode interfaces



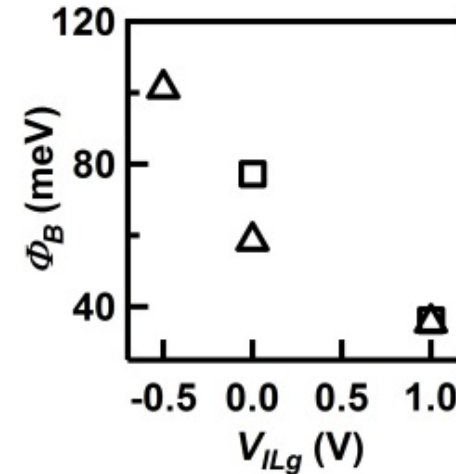
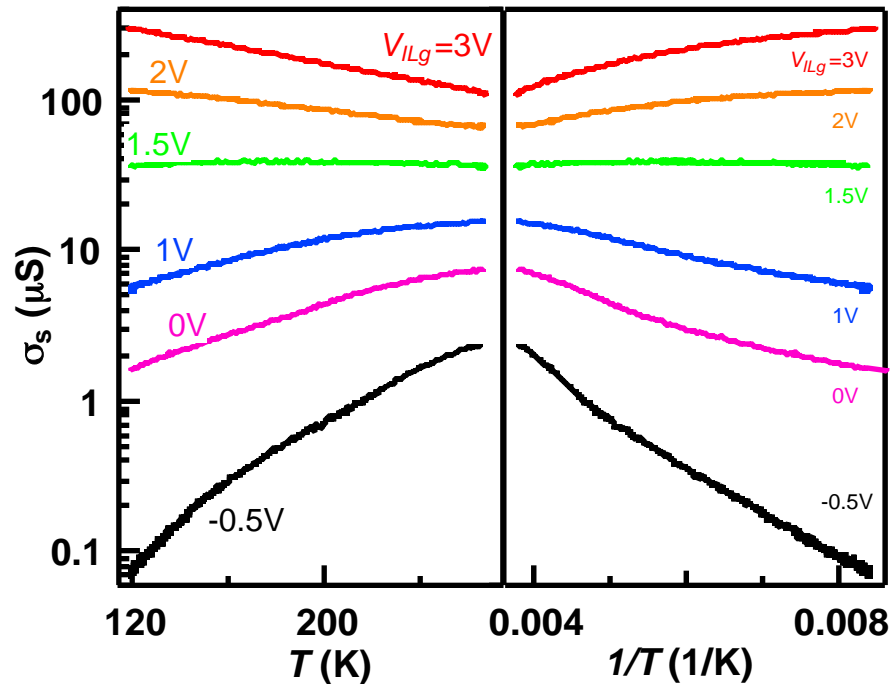
$$I \propto \exp\left(\frac{a\sqrt{V} - \Phi_B}{k_B T}\right)$$

$$a = e \sqrt{\frac{e}{4\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r d}}$$

slope yields $\epsilon_r \sim 11$

→ dielectric constant of DEME-TFSI ~ 14.5

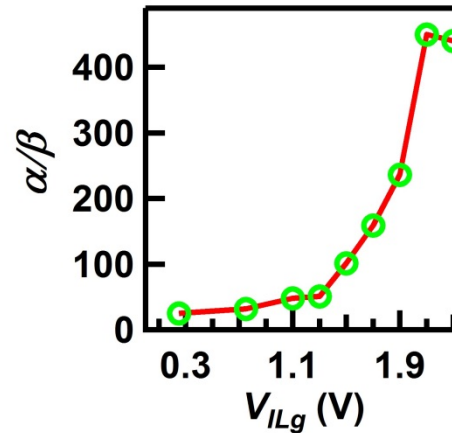
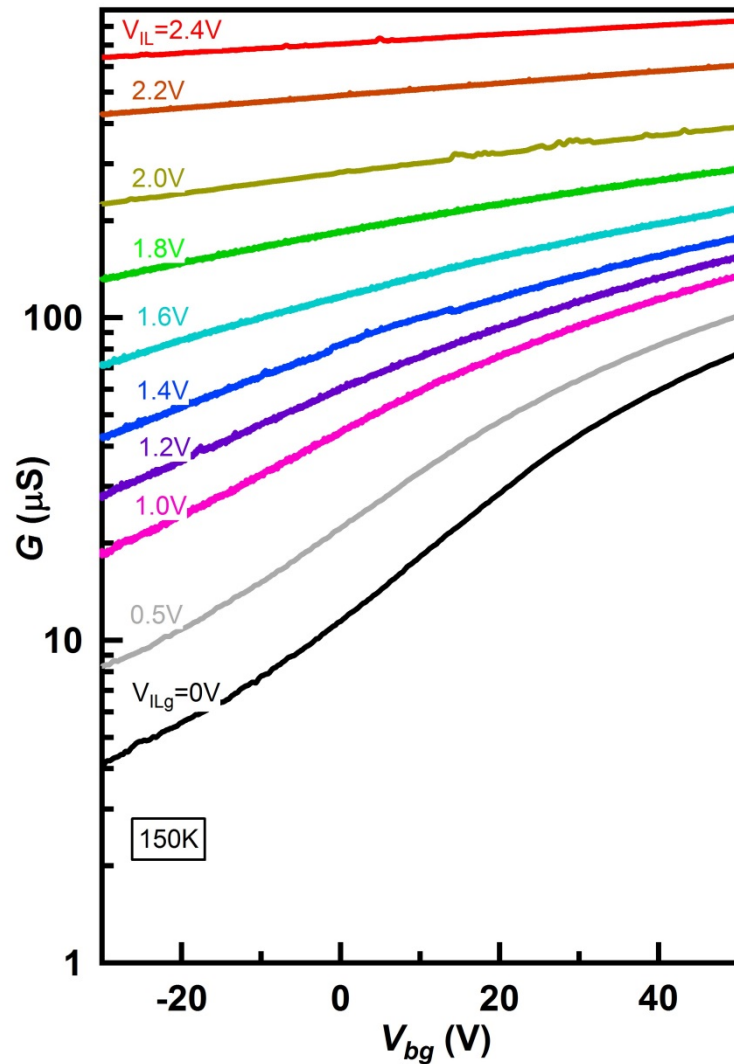
I_L-tuned Metal Insulator Transition



- metal insulator transition observed as V_{ILg} is tuned
- At small V_{ILg} , transport via thermal activation

$$I \propto \exp\left(\frac{a\sqrt{V} - \Phi_B}{k_B T}\right) \quad a = e \sqrt{\frac{e}{4\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r d}} \text{ obtained from I-V curves}$$

Ionic liquid gating of Suspended MoS₂



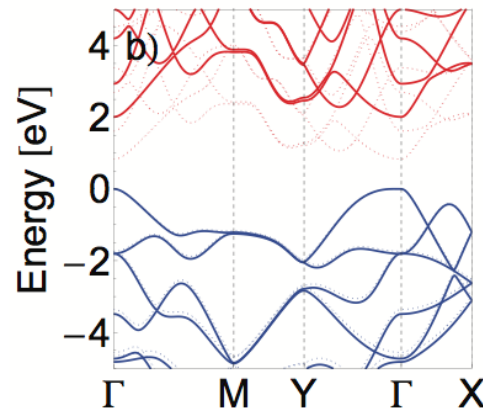
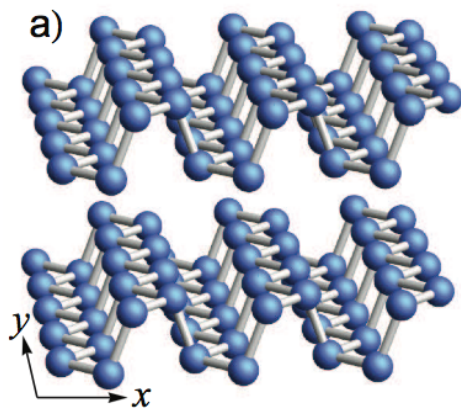
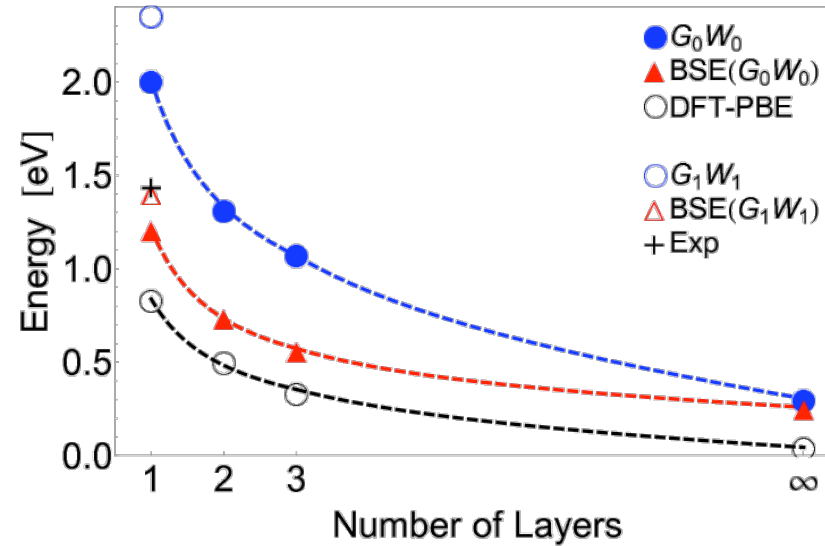
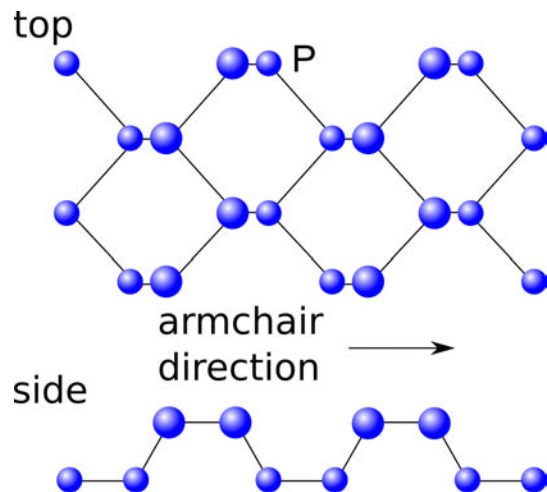
- **ratio of ionic liquid gate to back gate: up to 400**
- $> \sim$ coupling efficiency of substrate-supported devices
- allow extremely high doping density

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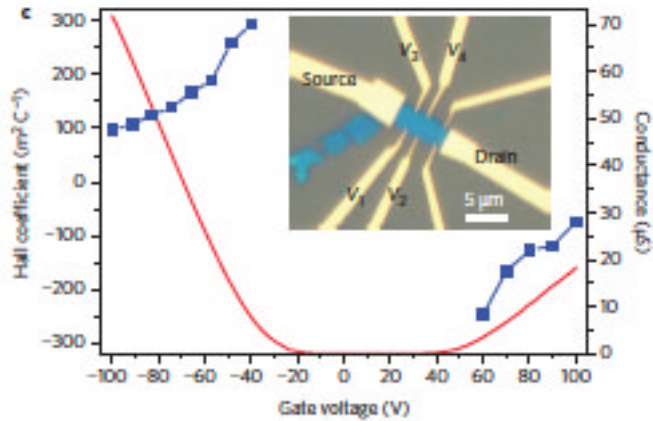
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Black Phosphorus



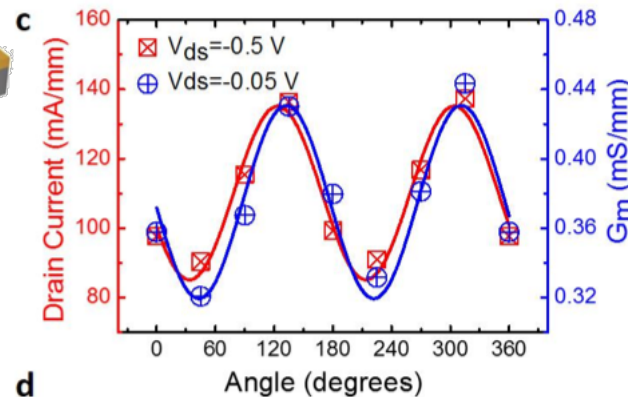
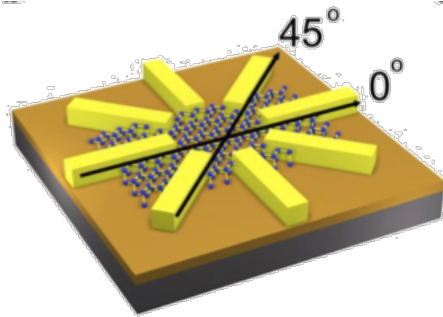
- Puckered atoms within layers
- Anisotropic
- Thickness dependent band gap, 0.3 - 2 eV
- Direct band gap for all thickness

Few-Layer Black Phosphorus Transistors

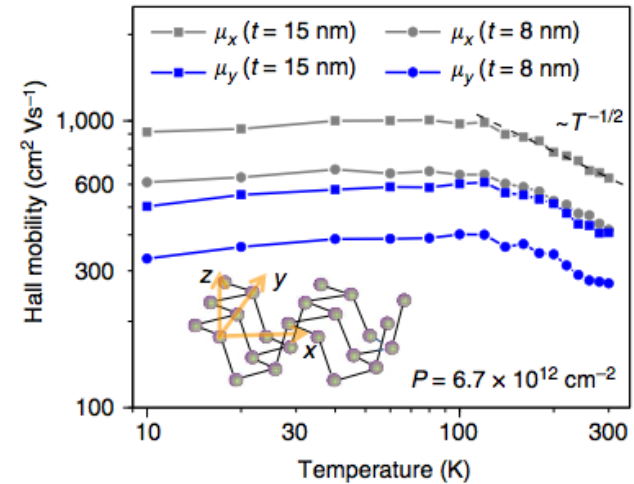


- ambipolar transport
- gapped, on/off ratio $\sim 10^5$
- Anisotropic Transport
- Mobility $\sim 100\text{-}1000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ for thickness $\sim 2 - 20 \text{ nm}$

Li et al, Nature Nanotechnol 2014

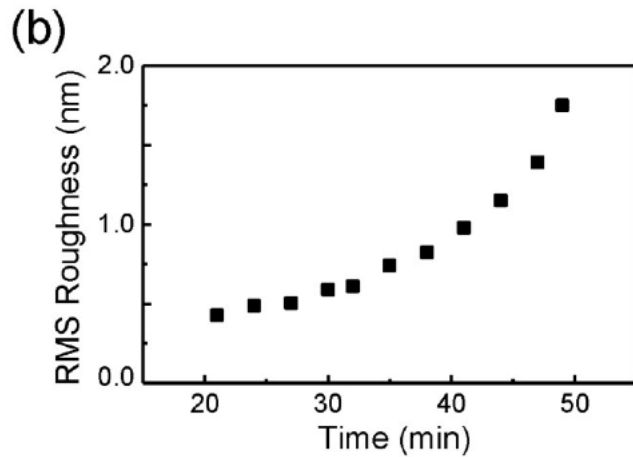
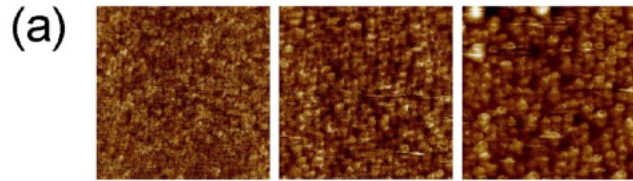


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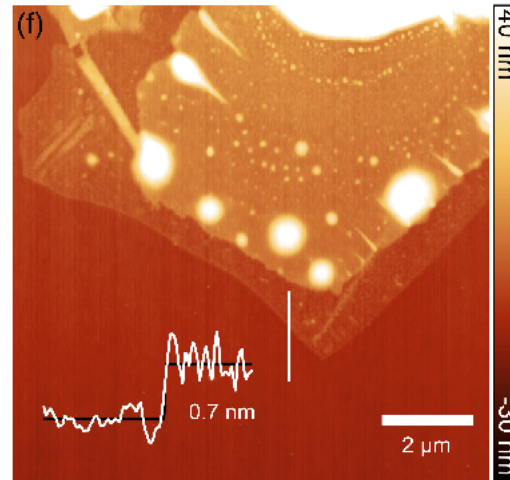
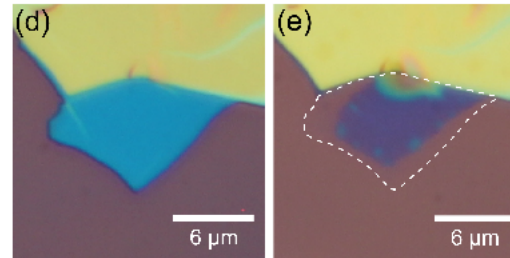


Xia et al, Nature Comm. 2014

Challenges



Kroenig et al, APL 2014



Island et al, 2D Materials 2014

Instability in air

- react with water and O_2 to form phosphoric acid
- reaction accelerated by light

Favor et al, arxiv 2014

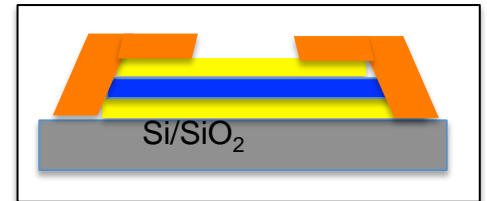
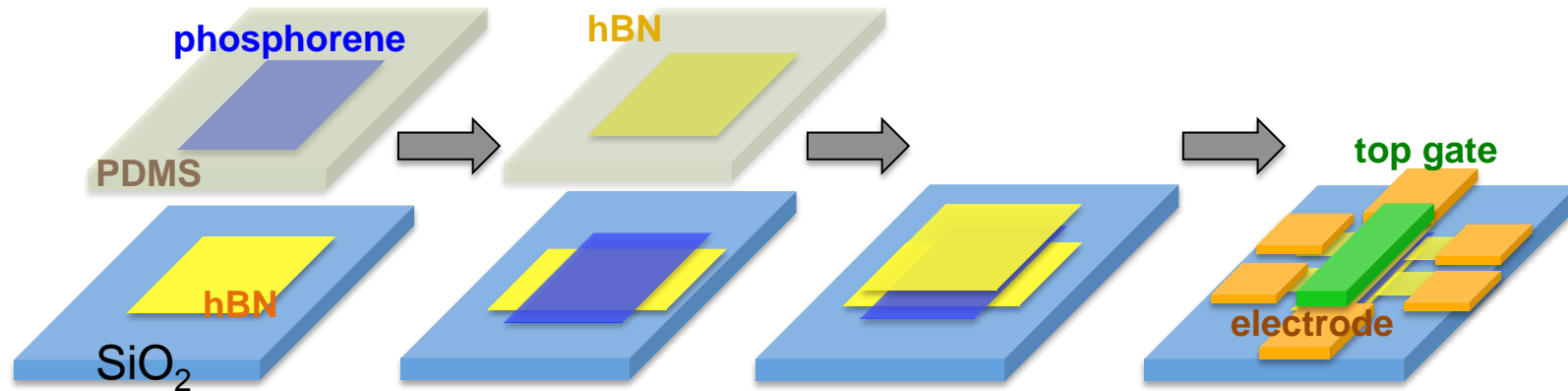
Challenges

Mission Impossible?

This device will self-destruct in 1 hour



Device Fabrication

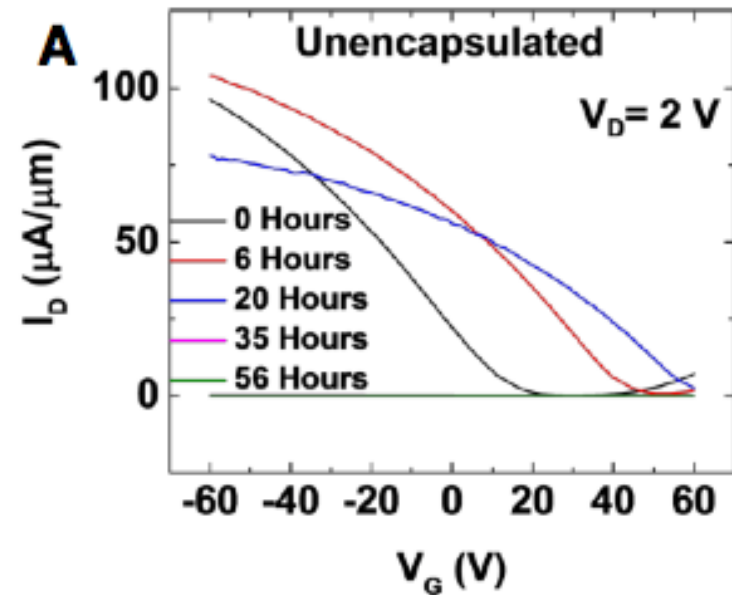
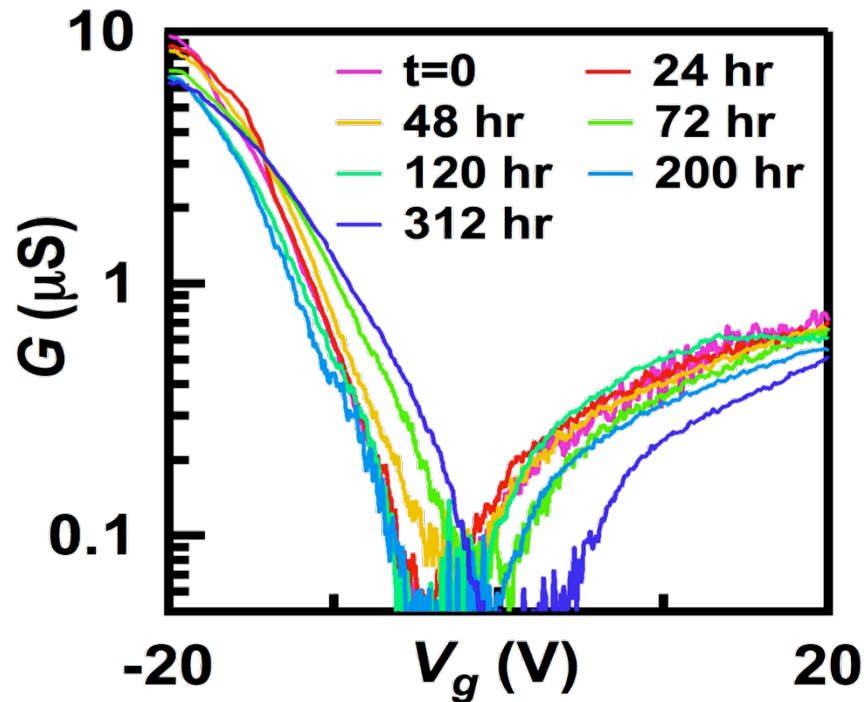


- Dry transfer to form hBN/few-layer phosphorene/hBN heterostructure sandwiches
- etch to expose edges of phosphorene
- 1D metallic contact to 2D layers

Columbia group, Science 2013

Device Stability

Encapsulated in hBN (our data)

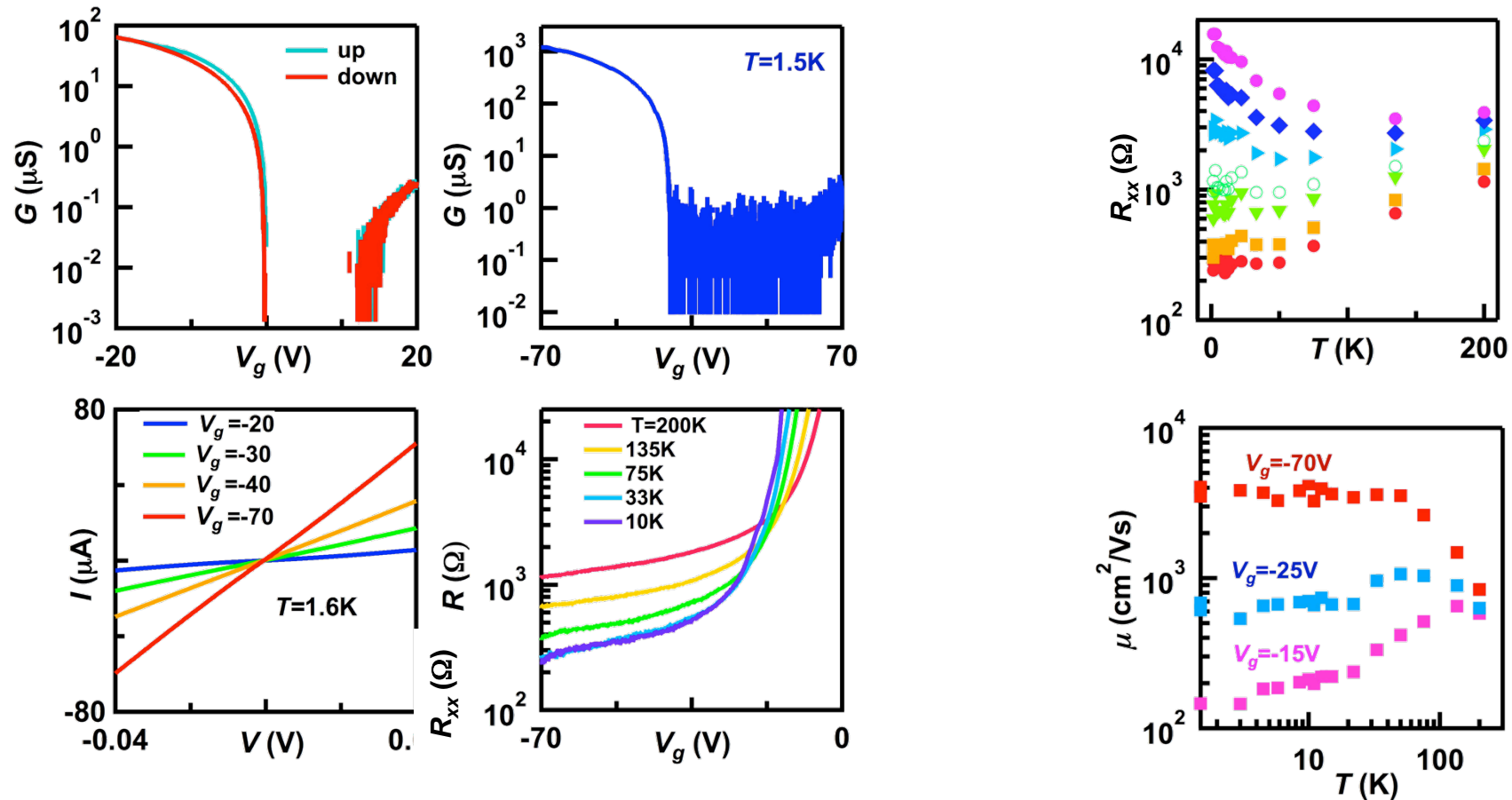


Wood et al, Nano Letters 2014

- Device left in air for 2 weeks
- Slight shift in charge neutrality point
- Only slight decrease in conductance & mobility

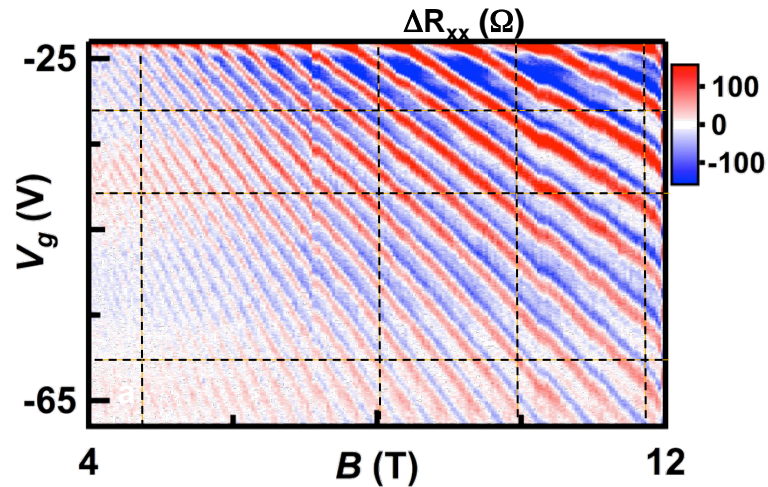
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Device mobility



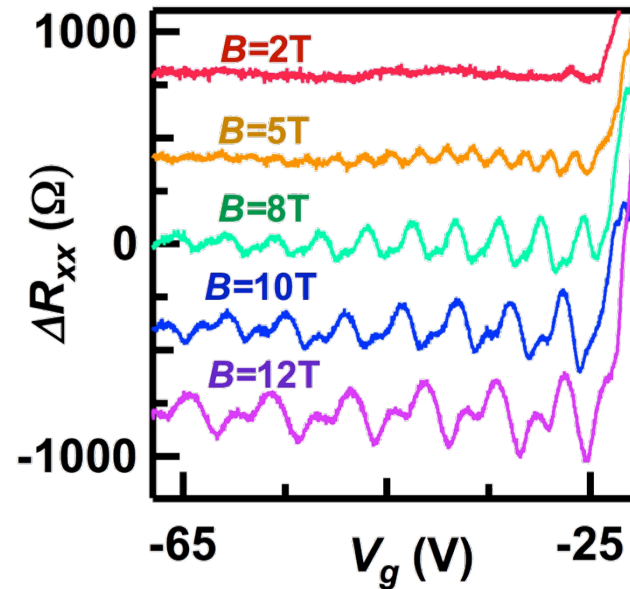
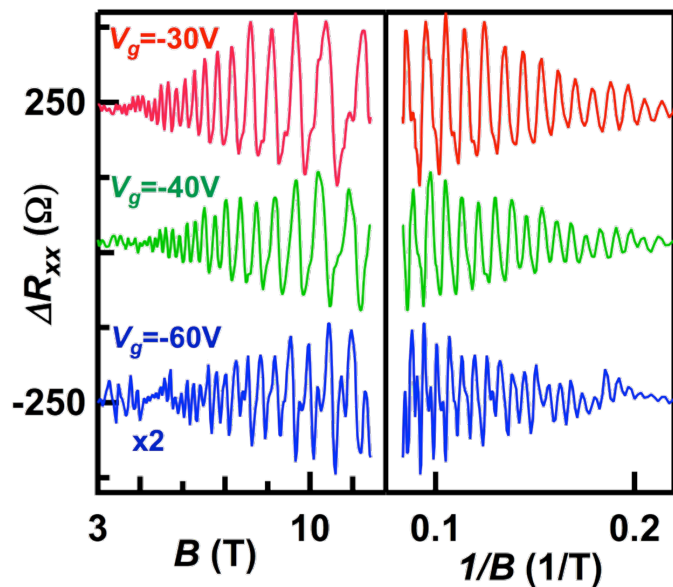
- Ambipolar transport
- On/off ratio $\sim 10^5$
- linear I-V \rightarrow ohmic contact
- Metal-insulator transition
- highly hole-doped: metallic, μ up to 4000
- towards band edge: insulating, $\mu \downarrow$ with T

Quantum Oscillations



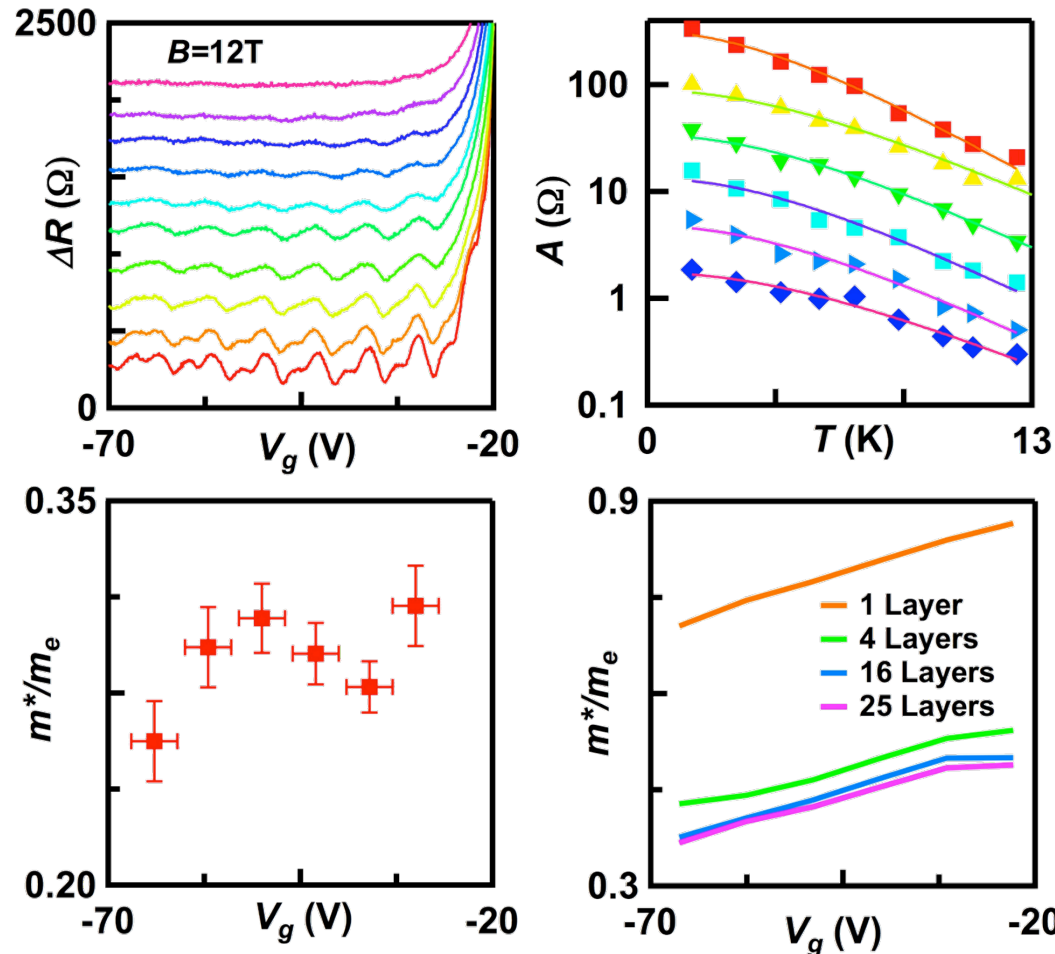
R_{xx} with smooth background subtracted

- oscillations periodic in $1/B$
- oscillations periodic in $V_g \sim n$
- doubling frequency in for $B > 8T \rightarrow$ Zeeman splitting



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Temperature Dependence Quantum Oscillations



Oscillations' amplitude dependence on T

$$A(T) = \frac{CT}{\sinh(bT)}$$

$$b = \frac{2\pi^2 k_B m^*}{\hbar e}$$

- effective mass of charge carriers ~ 0.25 to $0.31 m_e$ as Fermi energy increases towards band edge
- agree with DFT calculations within 50%

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Fast Moving Field

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High quality sandwiched black phosphorus heterostructure and its quantum oscillations

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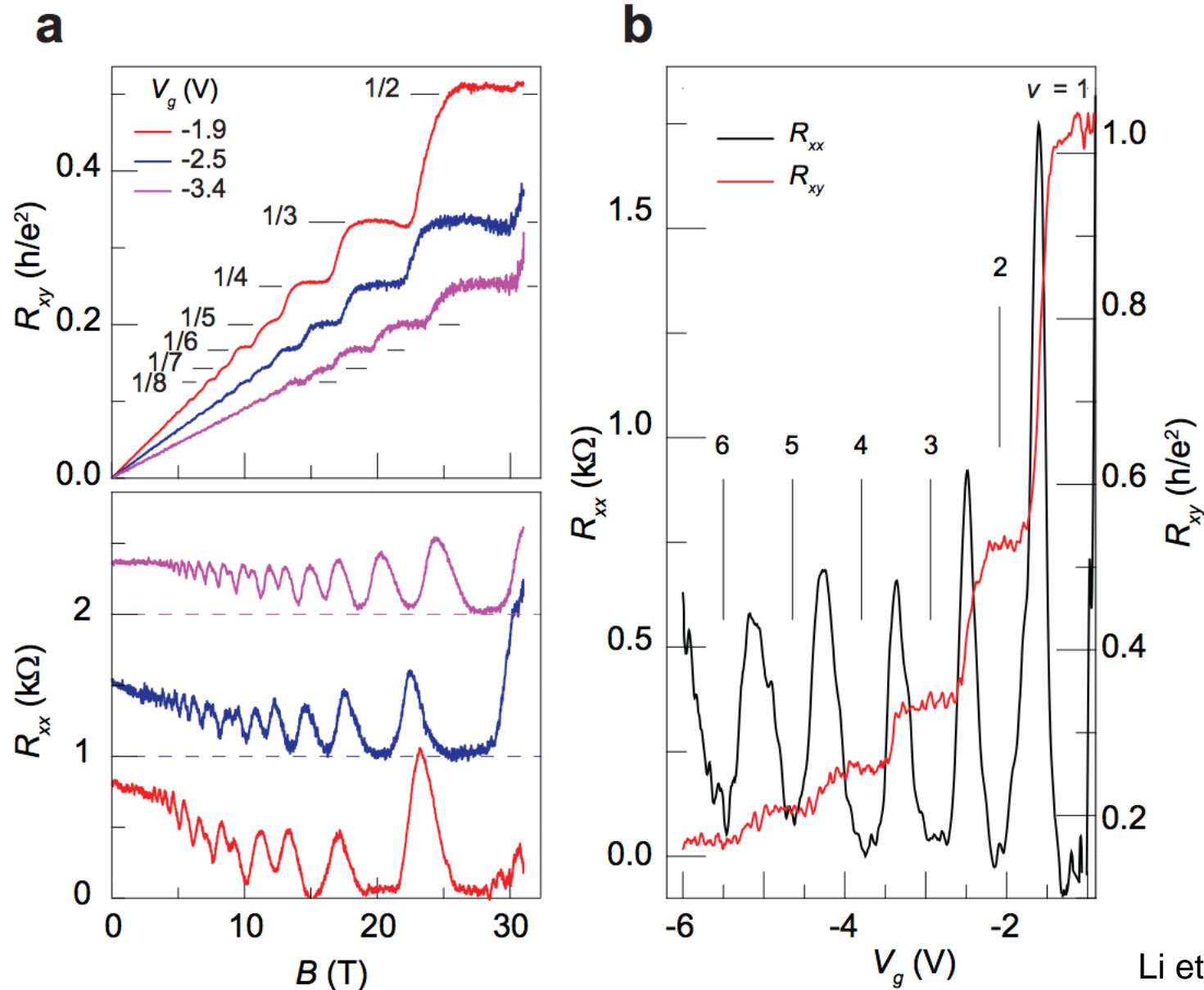
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Quantum Oscillations in Black Phosphorus Two-dimensional Electron Gas

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Report of Quantum Hall Effect



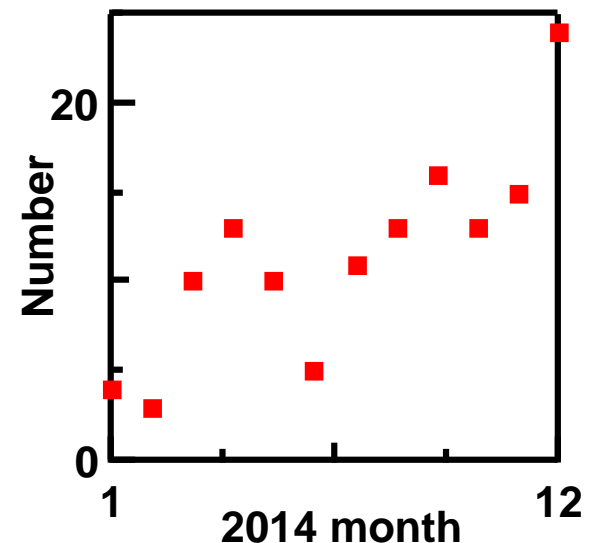
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Conclusion

- Few layer phosphorene has both high mobility and band gap
- Stable via hBN encapsulation

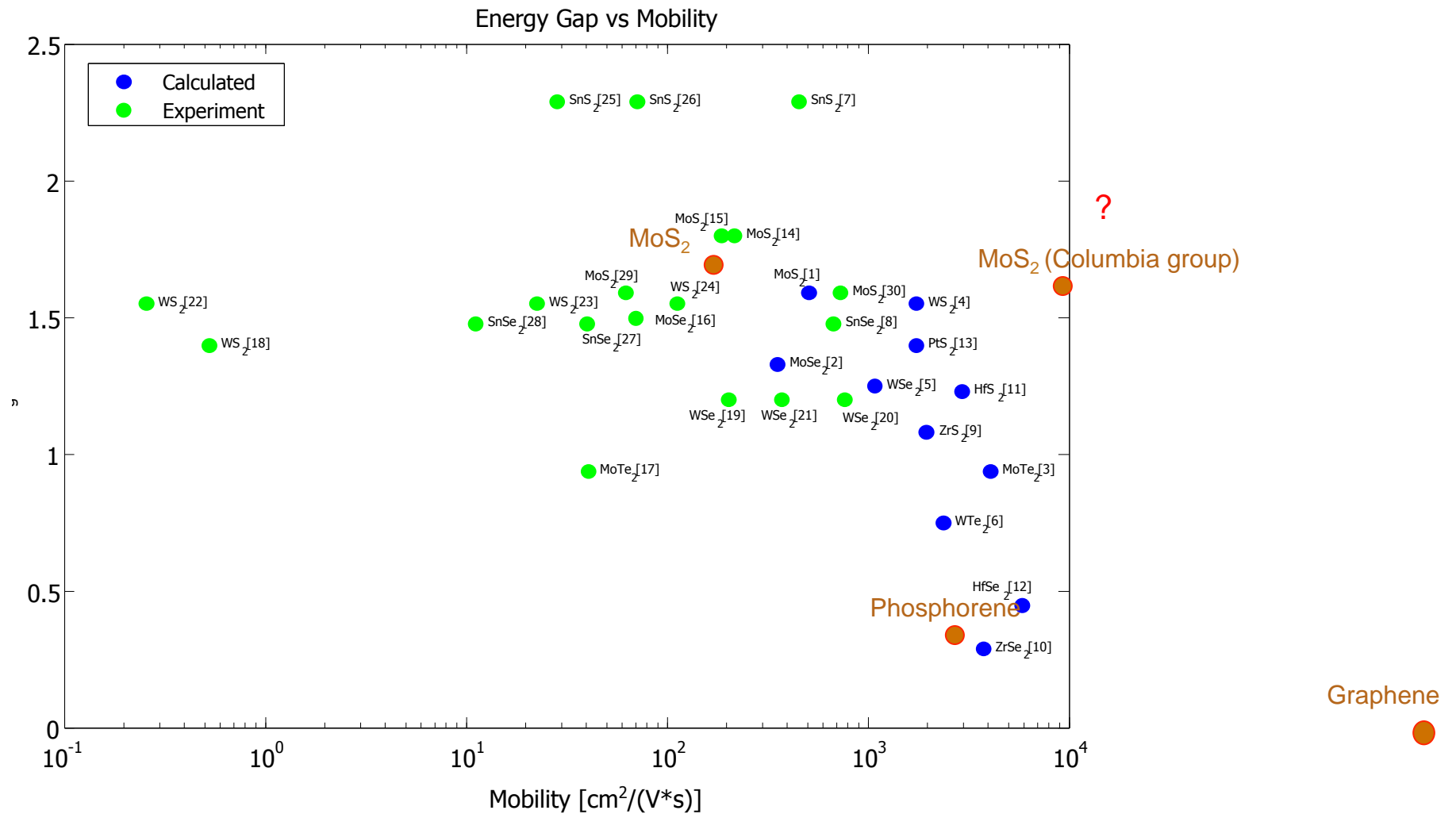
Outlook

- Physics
 - strain-dependent band gap
 - large anisotropy (up to 60x, electrical and thermal transport, thermopower)
 - electric field effect
 - pressure-induced superconductivity?
 - (anisotropic?) quantum Hall effect
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- Electronics and optoelectronics
- hBN encapsulation of reactive 2D materials



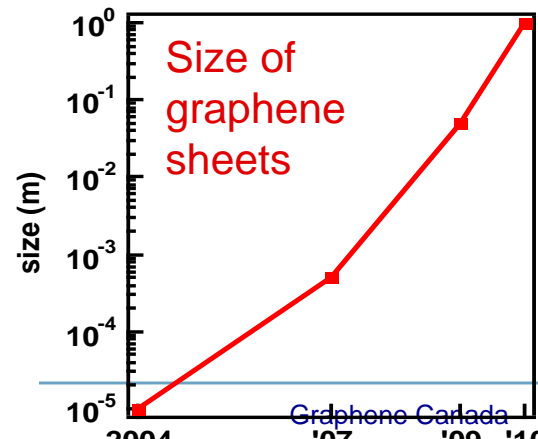
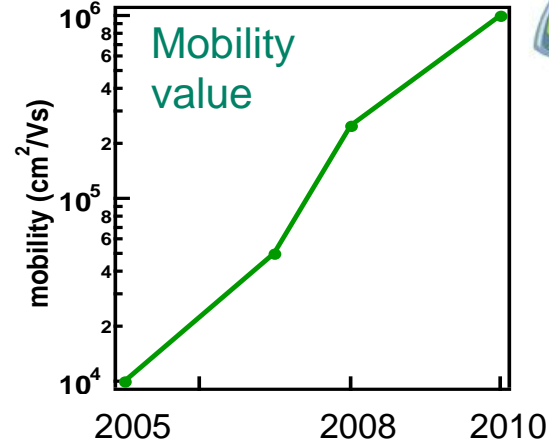
2D Materials: Gap vs Mobility

Courtesy: FAME center



What to ask a material scientist, part II

Yes, but does it scale?



Basic research
→ technology

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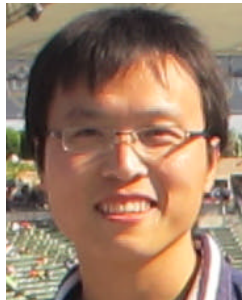
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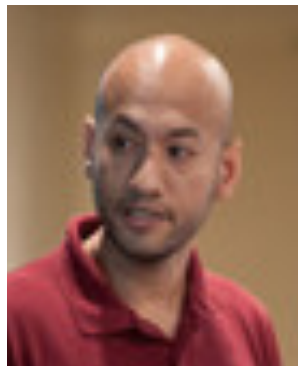
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