## Topology, Magnetism and Chirality



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## **Topological quantum chemistry**



from all 250,000 known inorganic compounds 25% are topological!

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# A complete catalogue of high-quality topological materials

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# Comprehensive search for topological materials using symmetry indicators

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#### **Chiral electrons**





Chiral anomaly is the anomalous non-conservation of a chiral current.

A sealed box with equal numbers of positive and negative charged particles is found when it is opened to have more positive than negative particles, or vice-versa.

Prohibited from classical conservation laws, but can be **broken in a quantum world**.

#### Universe contains more matter than antimatter

Wikipedia

#### **Chiral electrons**



Chiral anomaly: broken parity – one explanation for the asymmetry of matter and antimatter Axial gravitational anomaly



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#### **Magnetic Weyl Semimetals**





Bernevig, Felser and Beidenkopf, Nature accepted

#### Non collinear Weyl semimetals





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Sakai et al. Nature 2020

#### **2D-Magnetic Weyl semimetals**







Sean Howard, et al., Nature Communications 12 (2021) 4269

















Satya N. Guin, et al., Advanced Materials 33 (2021) 2006301

#### More kagome Weyl semimetals











distorted kagome



ZrNiAl (P62m)



Pöttgen, Z. Anorg. Allg. Chem. 640 (2014) 869

non collinear AFM:  $Mn_3Sn$ ,  $Mn_3Ge$ ferromagnet:  $Co_3Sn_2S_2$ superconductor:  $Cs(K)V_3Sb_5$ new compounds already grown  $YMn_6X_6$  ...



#### **New Fermions**



#### RESEARCH Weyl Dirac new Fermion chiral Fermion **RESEARCH ARTICLE SUMMARY TOPOLOGICAL MATTER Beyond Dirac and Weyl fermions: Unconventional quasiparticles in** conventional crystals chiral. 2-fold 4- fold 6-fold chiral n-fold Barry Bradlyn,\* Jennifer Cano,\* Zhijun Wang,\* M. G. Vergniory, C. Felser, R. J. Cava. B. Andrei Bernevig<sup>+</sup>

Free fermionic excitations in solid-state systems that have **no high-energy counterparts.** 

Some of these new Fermions are even chiral

- Chiral Crystals: B20, Skyrmions and chiral Fermions
- CoSi, MnSi, PdGa, PtAl, RhSi
- Superconductors A15 superconductors: Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, Li<sub>2</sub>Pd<sub>3</sub>B

Enantiomer A and enantiomer B Crystal structure





PdGa

The structure is chiral but the band structure is achiral



Schröter et al., Nature Physics 2019, Schröder et al., Science 369 (2020) 179, Sanchez et al. Nature Nature 567 (2019) 500





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#### Mengyu Yao et al., to be published

#### **Chiral Fermions and catalysis**





RhSi thin films, B20 structure (only one chirality available so far), with only (111) surface we can see clearly the different oxidation behaviors for D- and L-DOPA. Open question: (1) chiral structure/surface, (2) chiral surface state, (3) orbital angular momentum

### **Chiral electrons – molecules, surfaces and crystals**











#### **Summary**





#### **Topological chemistry**

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#### **Topological magnets**

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#### **Topological thermoelectrics**

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## Vision



- Berry curvature design of large responses
  - in ferromagnetic Weyl semimetals
  - non collinear antiferromagnets
  - high temperature Nernst measurements







- Crystal growth of both enantiomers of topological chiral compounds
  - interfaces, grain boundaries, chiral phonons, magnons, ...
  - the interplay between chiral structure, chiral surface state, orbital momentum, spin momentum locking ...
  - strain and magnetic field
- Chiral electrons, chiral Fermions, chiral surfaces and catalysis
  - enhanced light matter interaction and magnetic field
- Non local transport in chiral crystals
  - spin polarized currents
- Chirality plus magnetism, superconductivity, correlations ...
  - Skyrmions, Antiskyrmions ...

Borry phase











# Vision

- Quantum chemistry beyond topology:
  - filling enforced obstructed surface states ...
  - interfaces, grain boundaries
- More kagome compounds magnetic and nonmagnetic
- Flatbands beyond kagome ... pyrochlore, Lieb lattices
- Beyond the single particle picture topology in correlated materials such as oxides
- Light topological matter interaction

Collaboration:

- New quantum effects such as quantum anomalous Nernst effect ...
- Twist, bend ...
- Experiments and understanding of 3D quantum Hall effects
- More crystals for quantum simulation of high energy and astrophysics

















#### Thank you for your attention



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#### **Quantum chemistry beyond topology**















The Fermi-arc doublets visualize the Chern number = 4



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#### **Chiral oxides and chalcogenides**





S. Halasyamani and K. R. Poeppelmeier, Chem. Mater. 10 (1998) 2753-2769

#### flatbands

MnPtSn (216)

X|X1

- Er [eV]

#### Catalogue of Flat Band Stoichiometric Materials

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Kagome, pyrochlore and Lieb lattices

Flat-band compound from various space groups: 87, 221, 216, 225 ....many more



#### chiral surface states with STM



Sessi et al., Nature Communications 11 (2020) 3507

Quasiparticle interference of two PdGa(001) enantiome

#### new catalysist with chiral surface states



better than Pt for hydrogen evolution reaction (HER) and  $IrO_2$  (OER, oxygen evolution reaction), Pt and IrO2 are topological relativistic effects and spin orbit coupling



Qun Yang, et al. Advanced Materials 32 (2020) 1908518

#### **Quantum chemistry beyond topology**













#### Light on the band structure



