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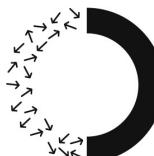
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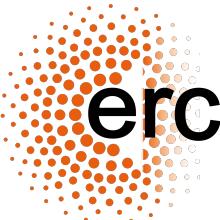
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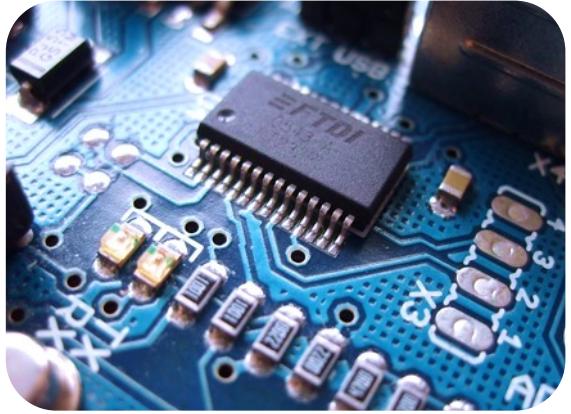


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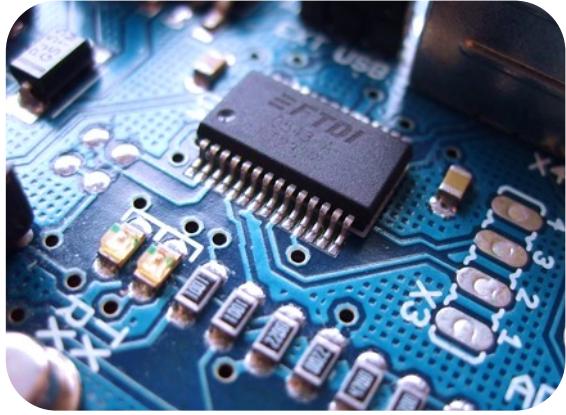
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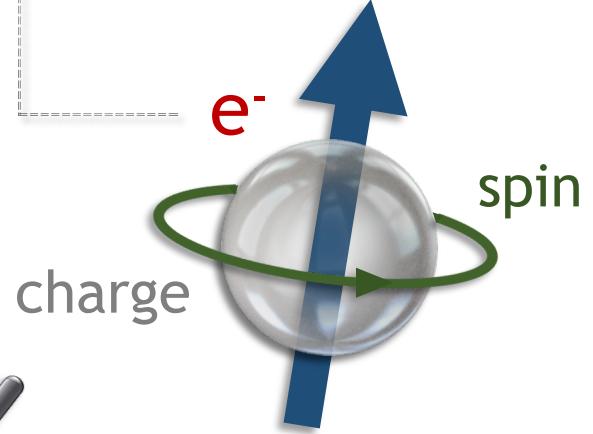
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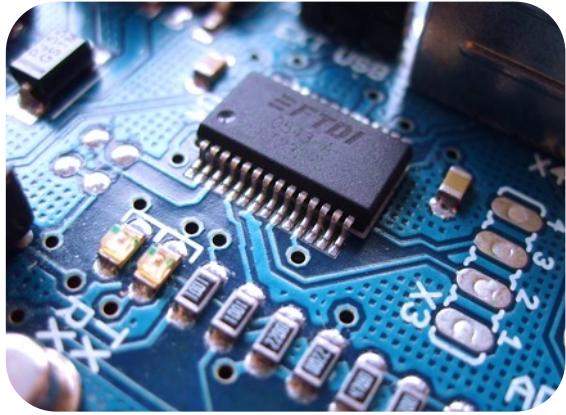
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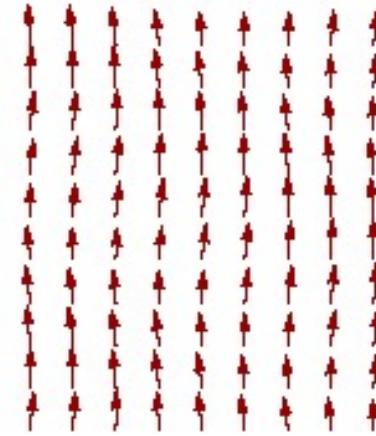
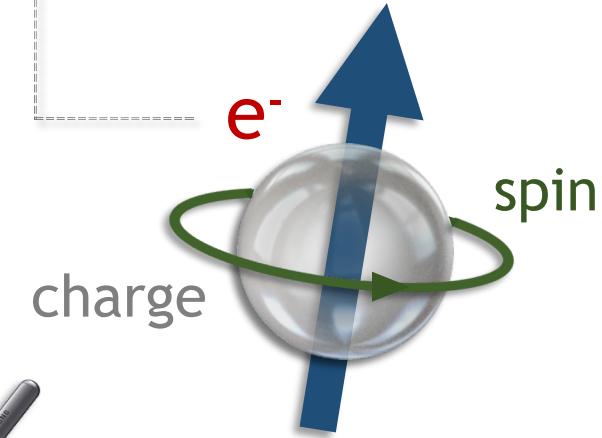
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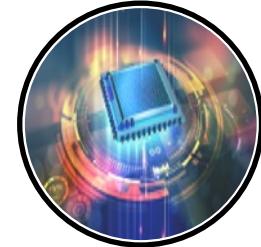
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Spin waves



LOW-COST  
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NANO-sized  
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WAVE-based  
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# Challenges and opportunities



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Topical Review

## The 2021 Magnonics Roadmap

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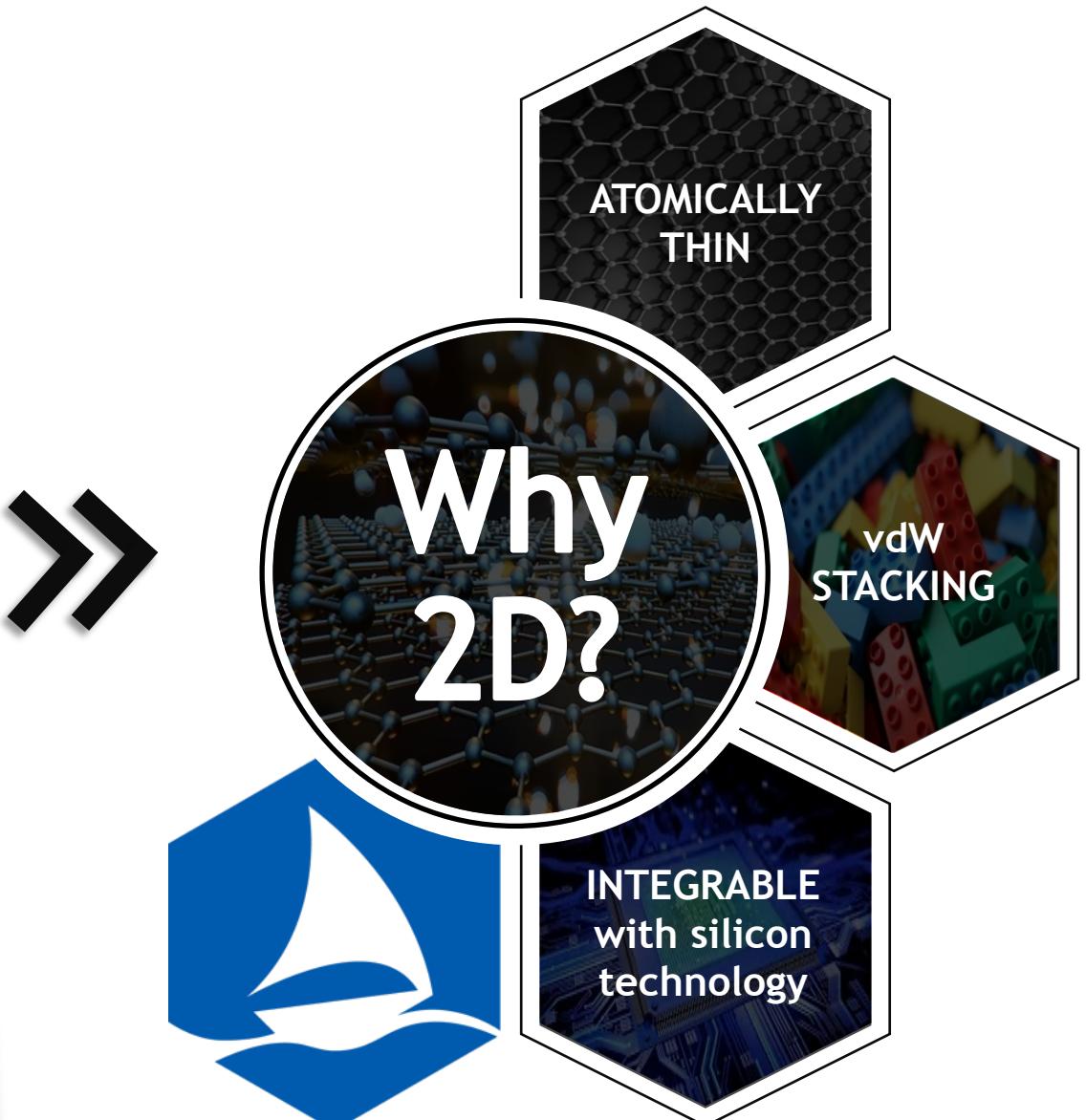
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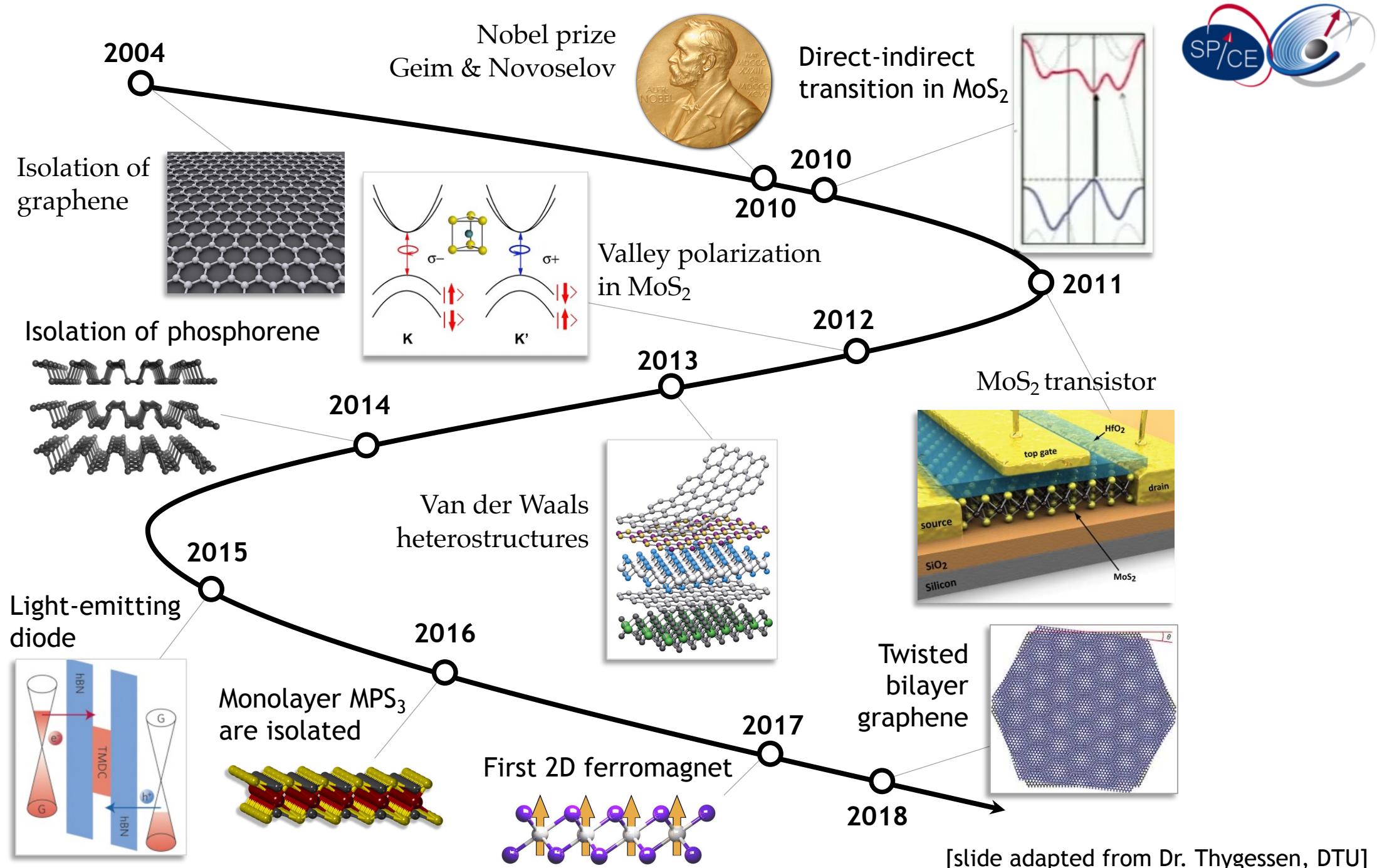
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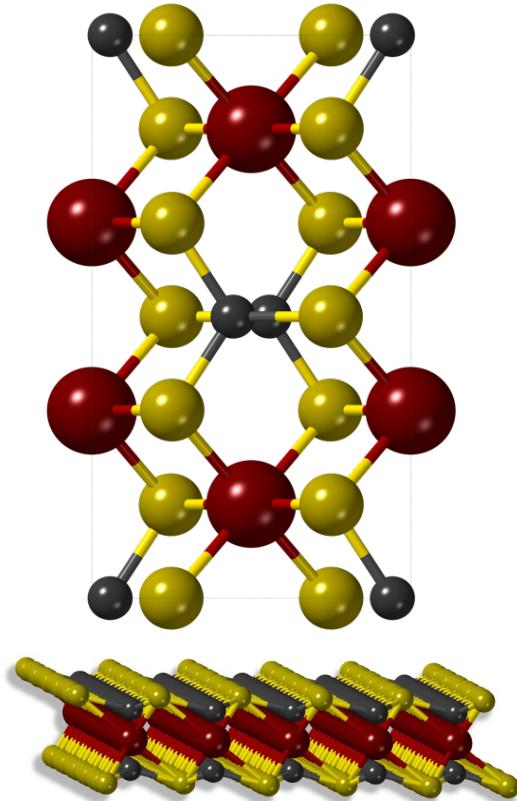




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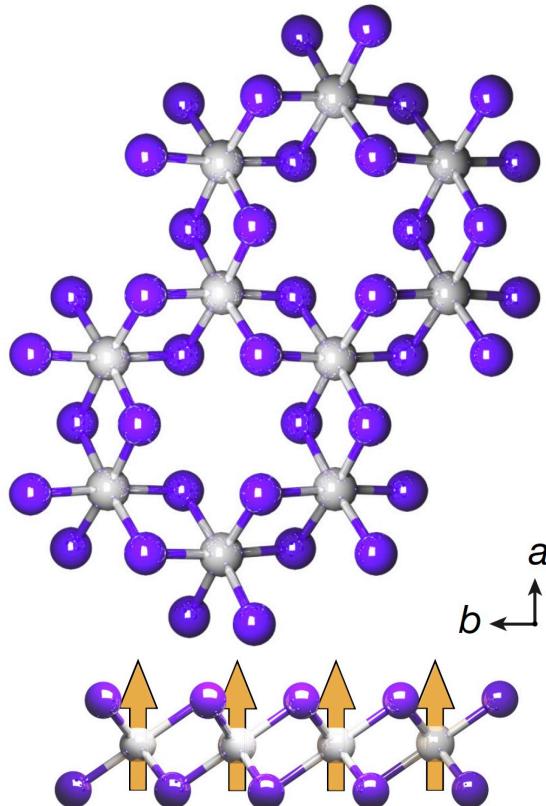
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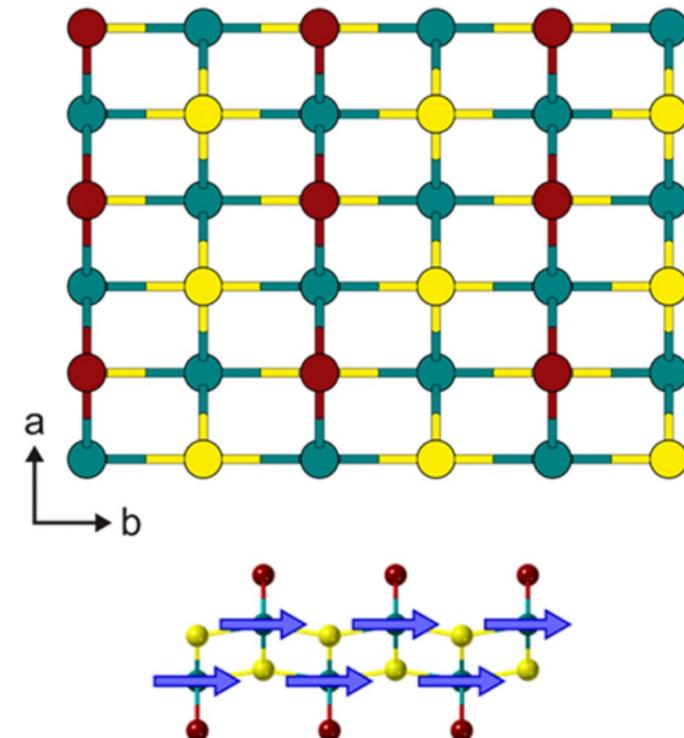
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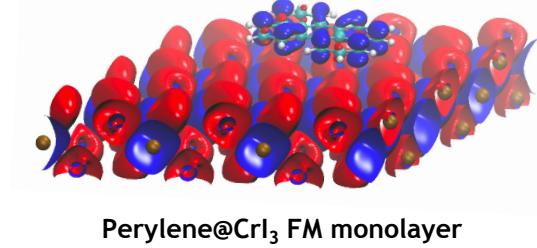
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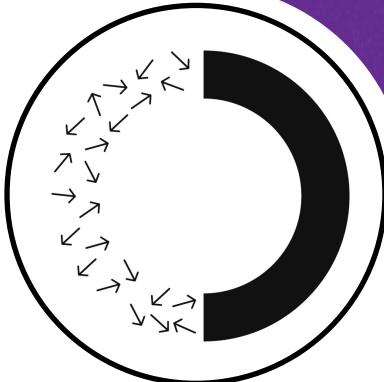
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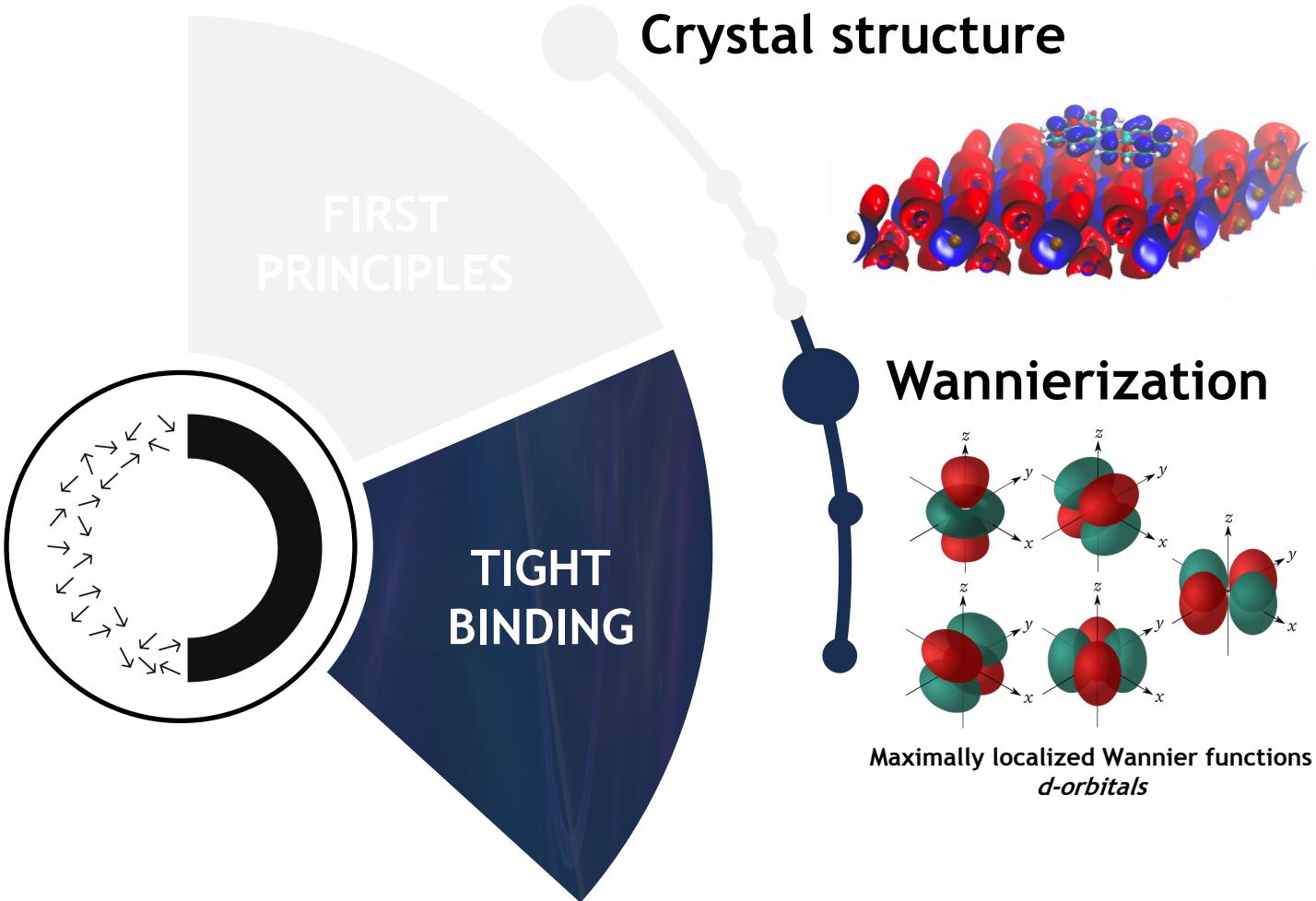
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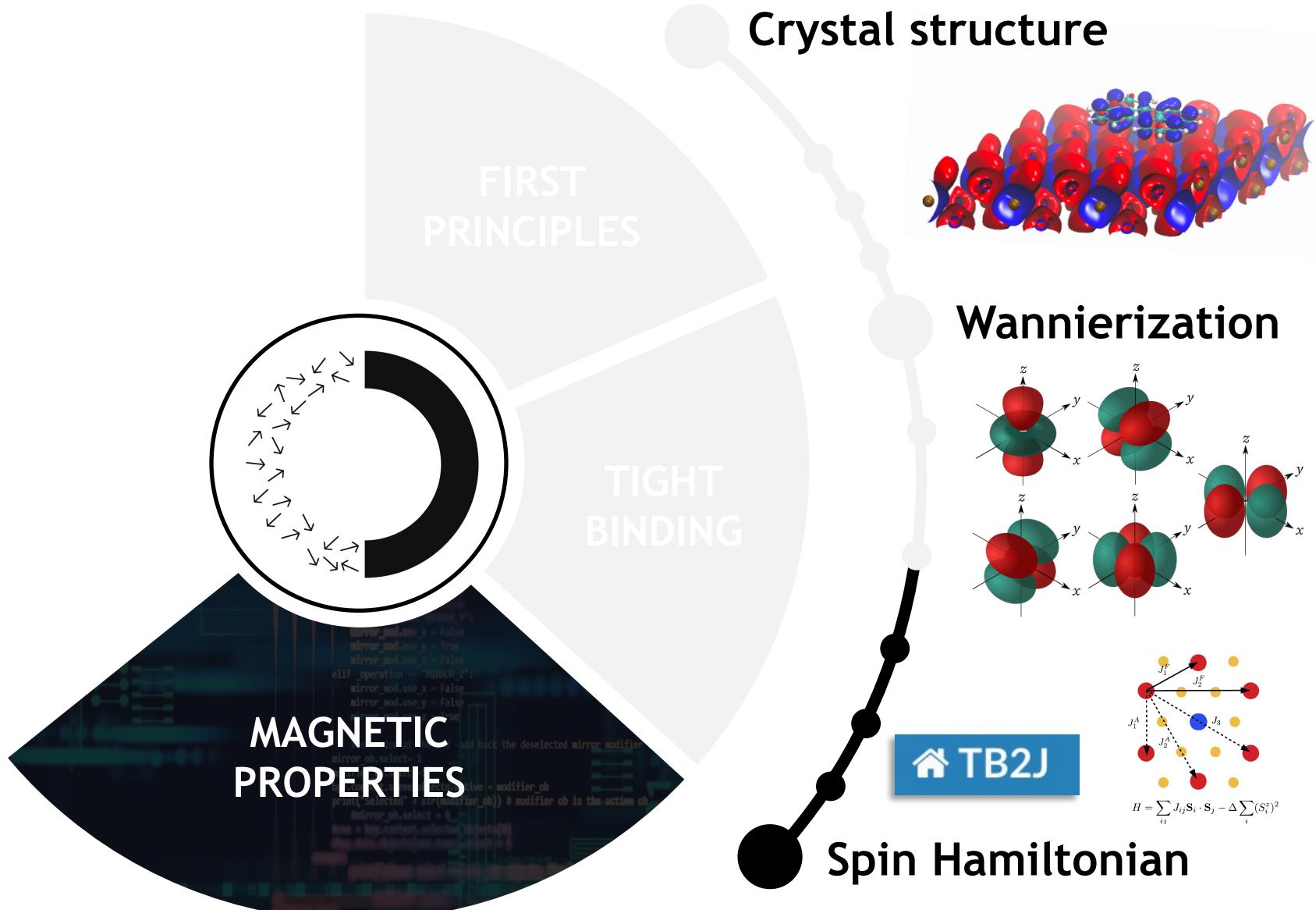
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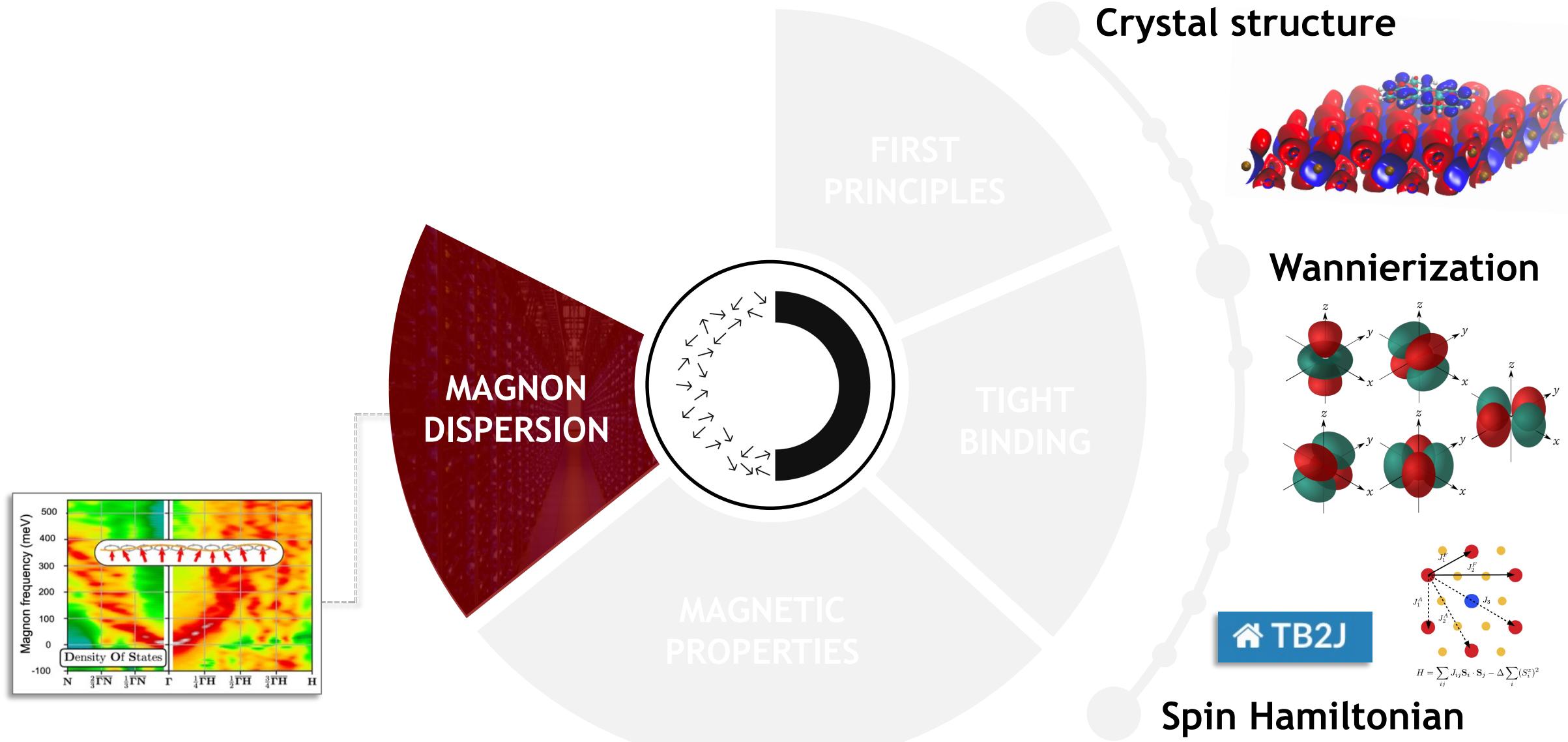
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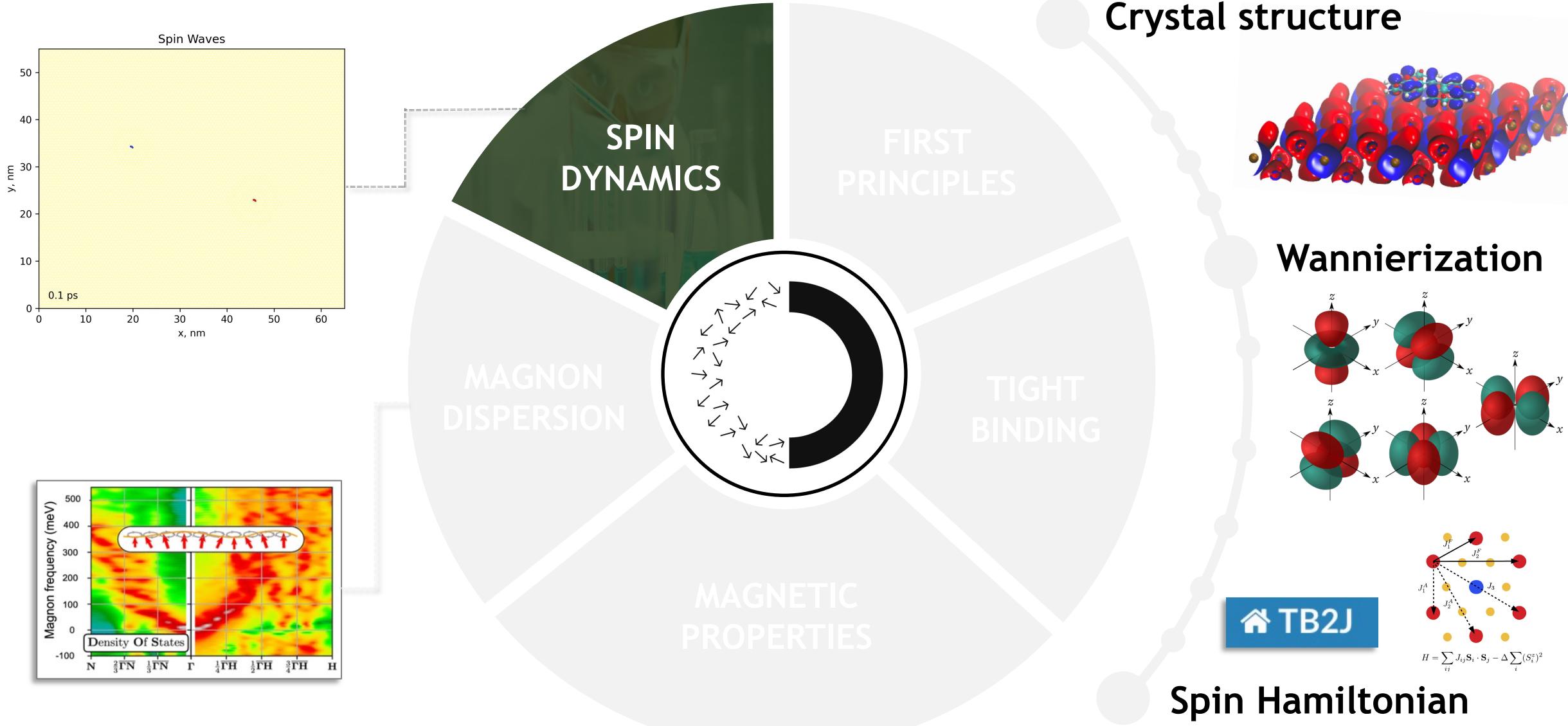
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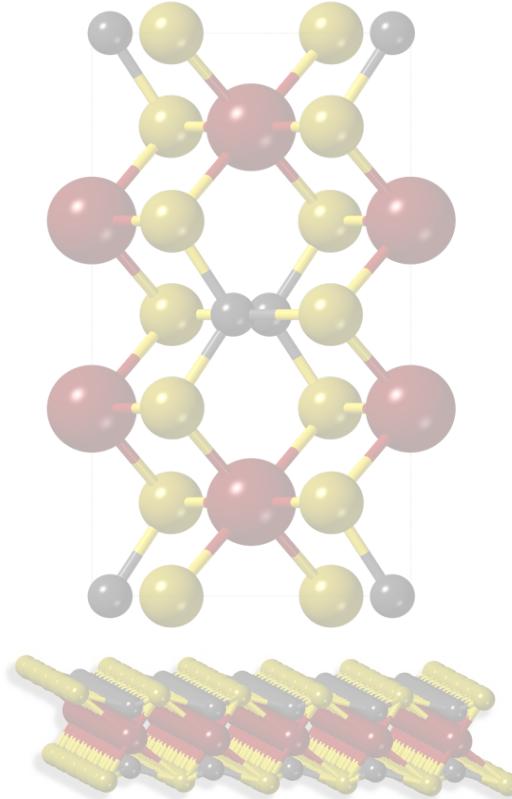
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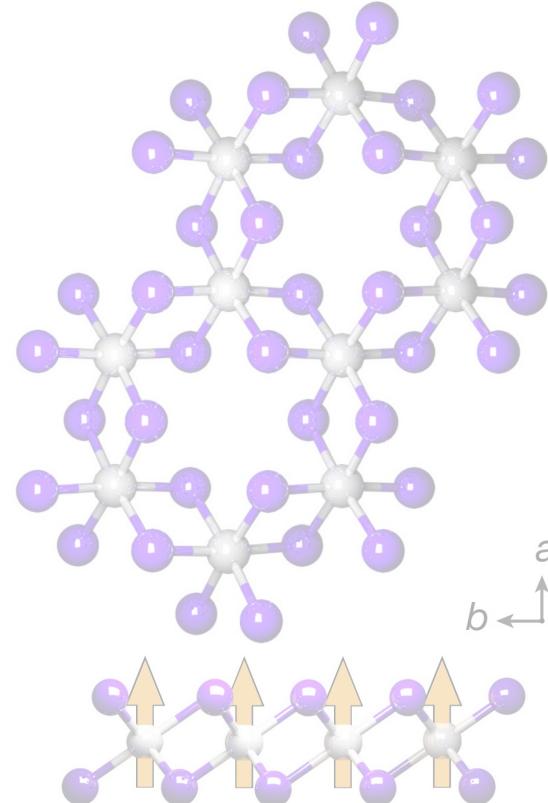
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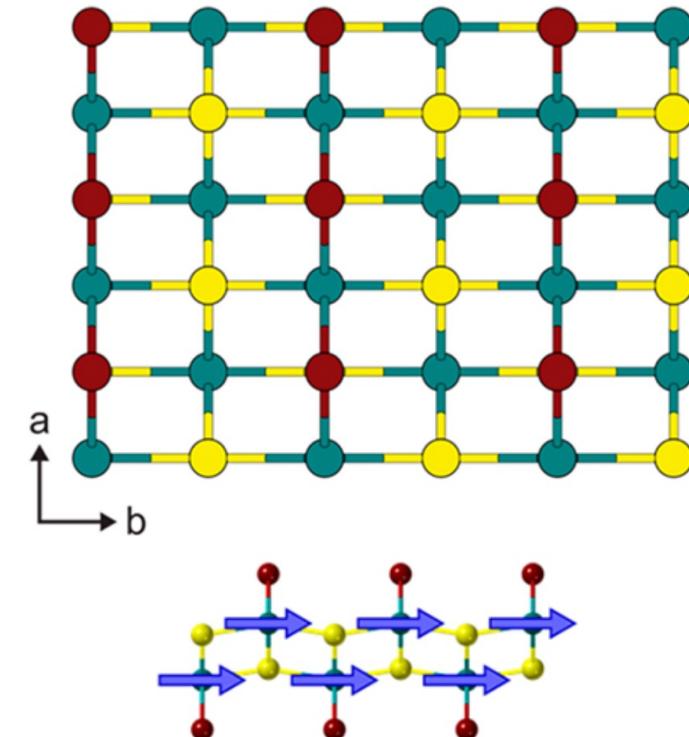
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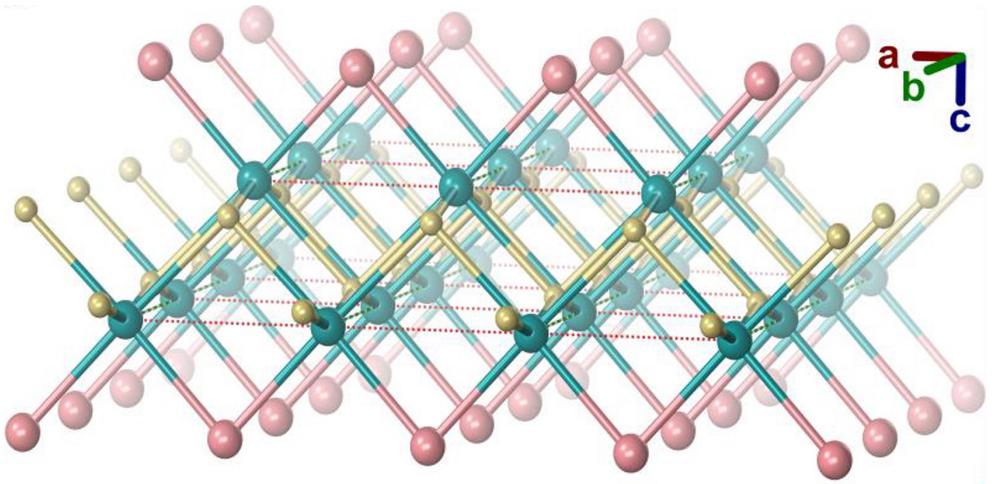
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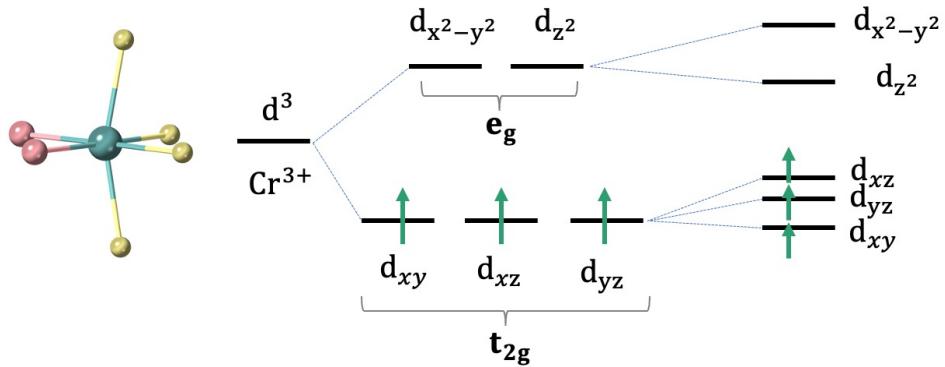
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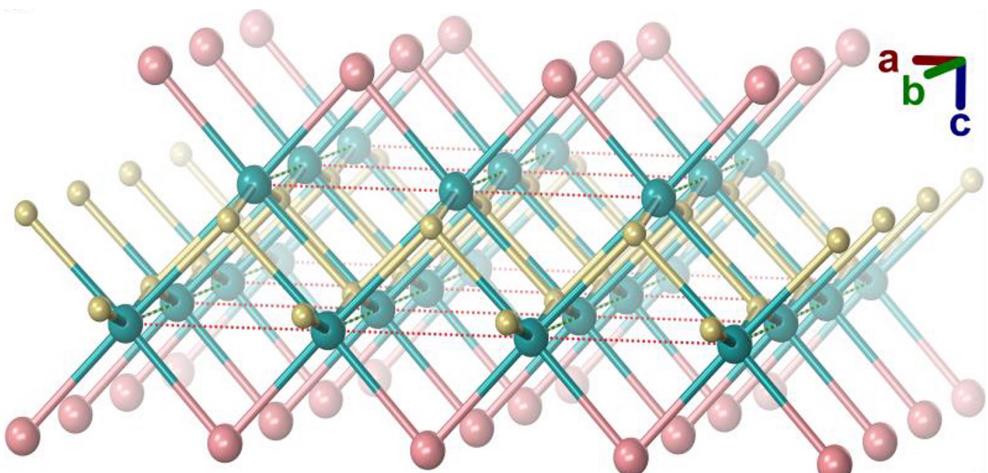
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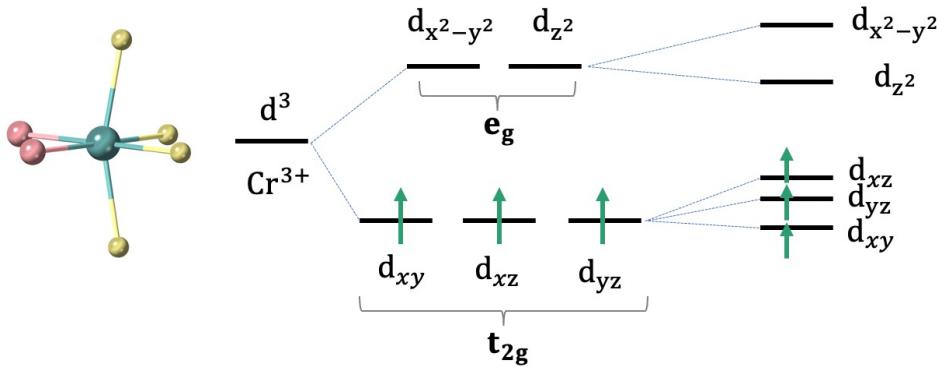
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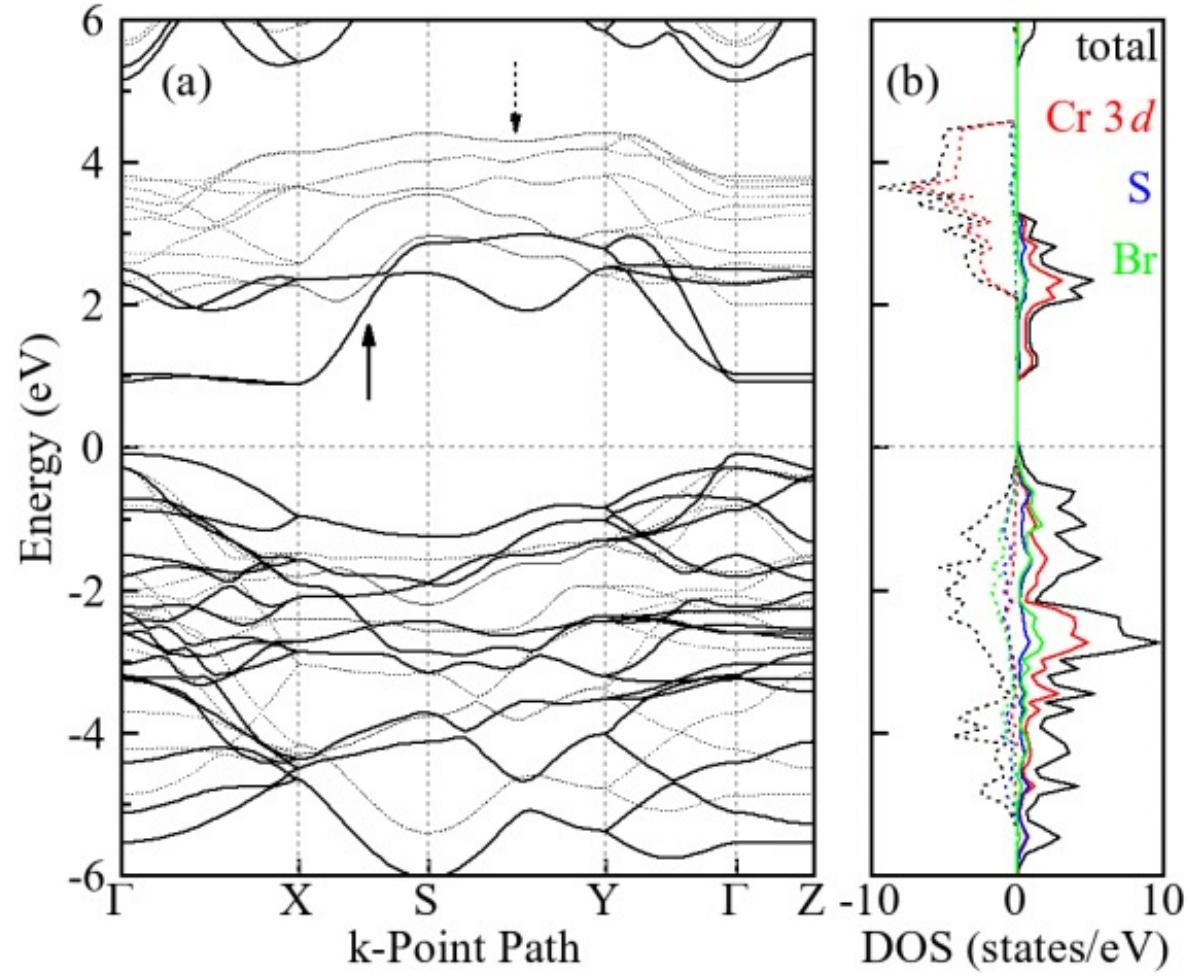
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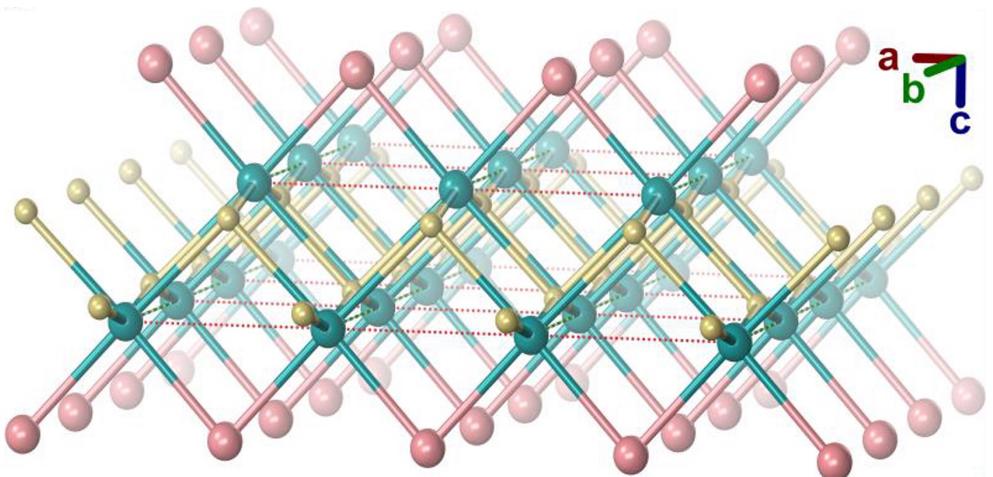
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## Electronic structure (DFT+U)



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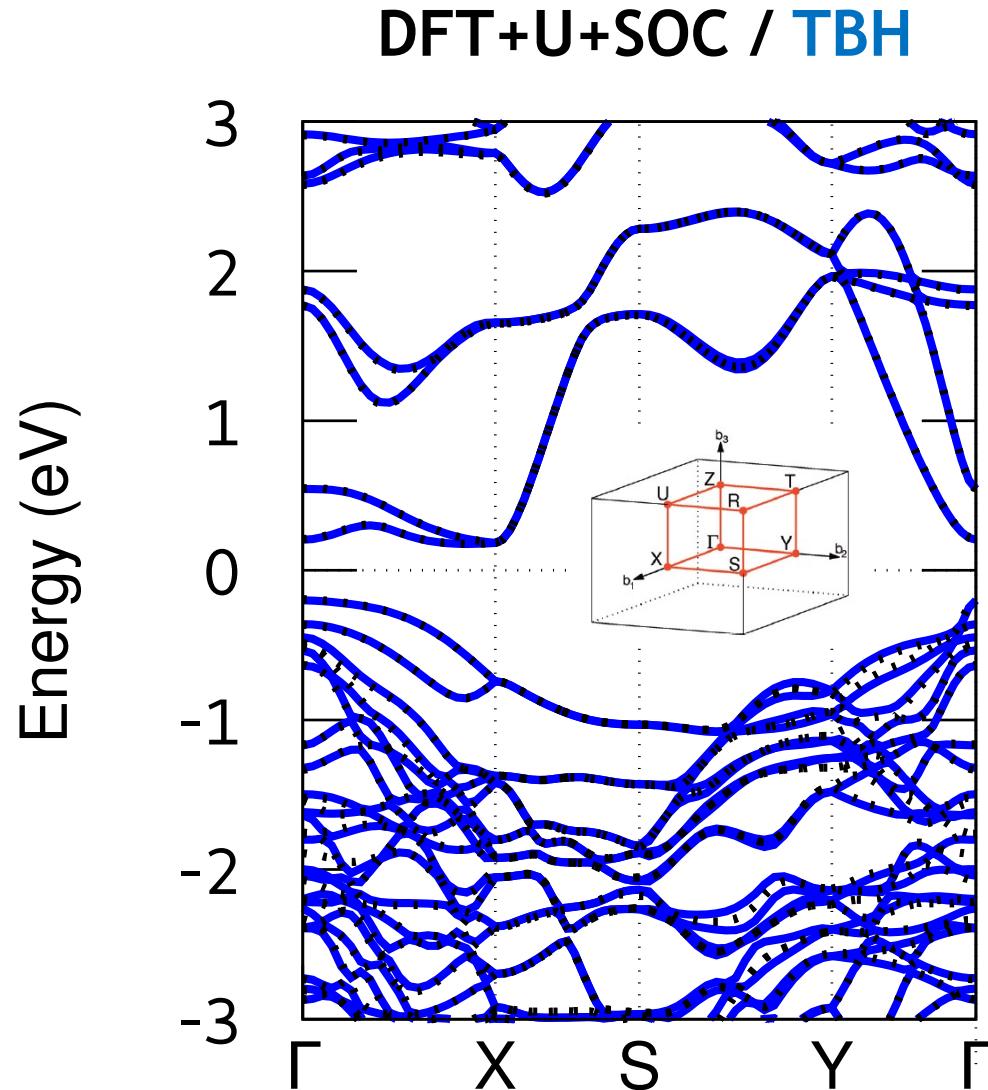


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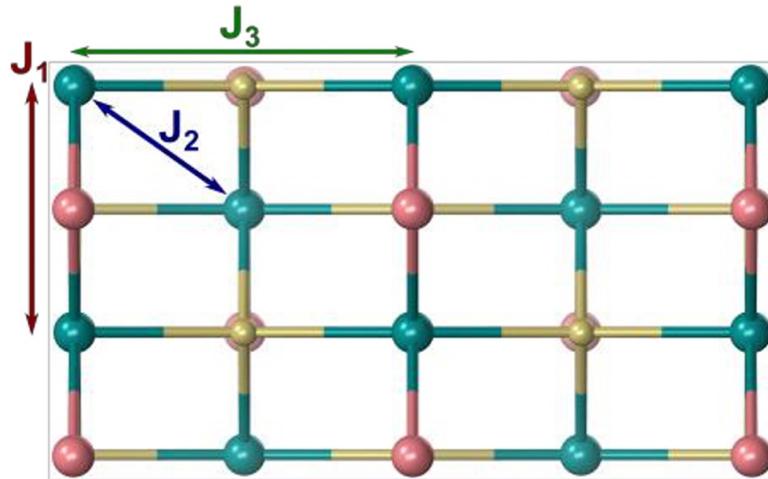
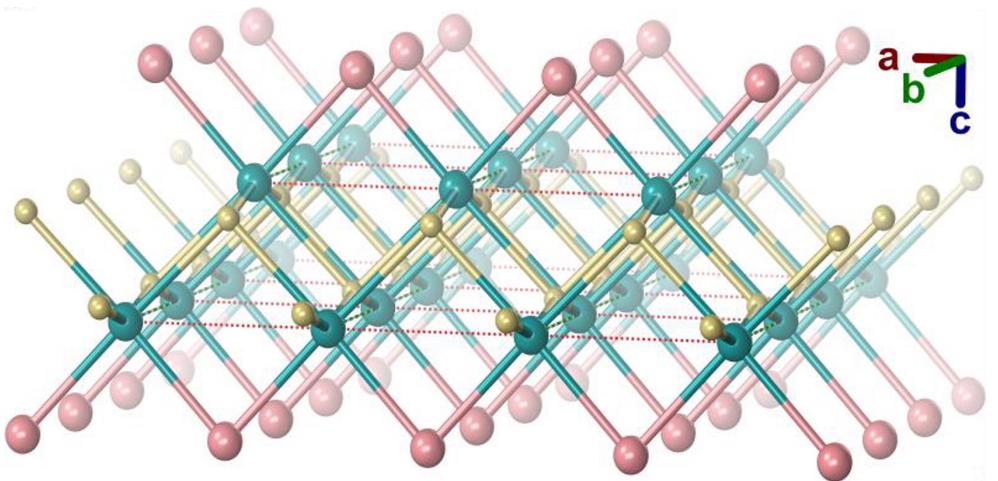
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$$|\mathbf{R}n\rangle = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{BZ} d\mathbf{k} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}} \sum_{m=1}^J U_{mn}^{(\mathbf{k})} |\psi_{m\mathbf{k}}\rangle$$

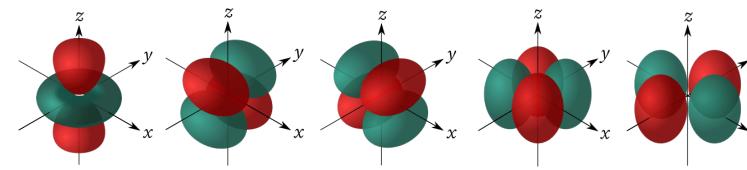
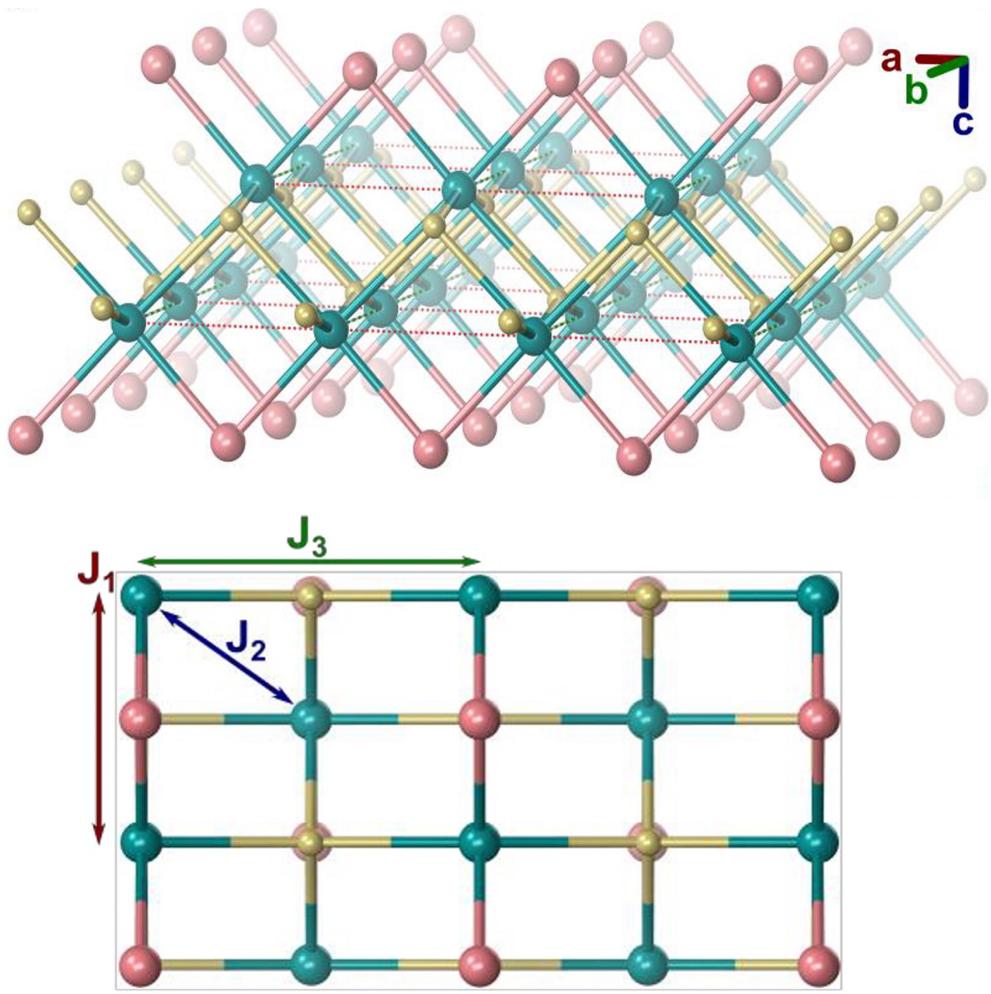
- Tight-binding model with *ab initio* parameters
- Selected projectors: Cr (d), S (p) and Br (p) orbitals
- Minimization of spread for the Wannier functions



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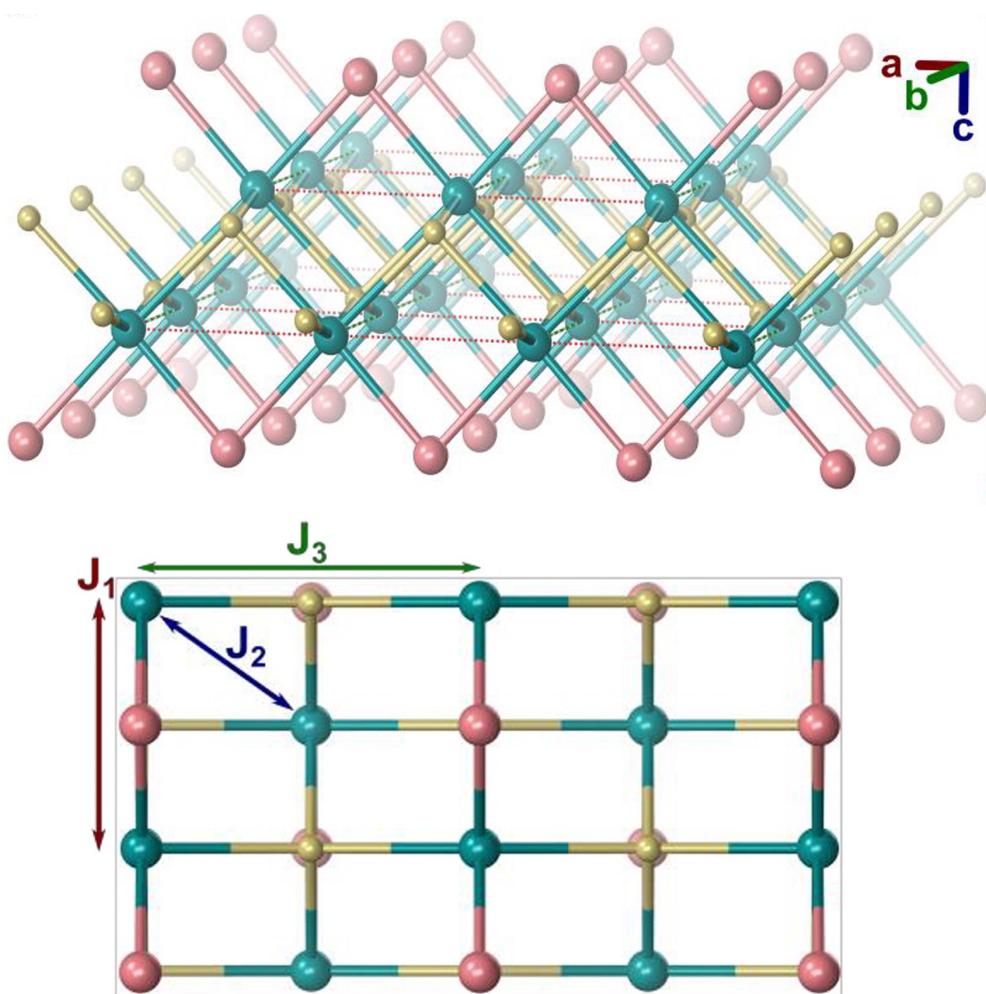
- Three Wannier hamiltonians that include SOC. Spin pointing x, y and z directions.
- Green's function method with local rigid spin rotation as a perturbation

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{n=1}^3 \left( -J_n \sum_{ij} \hat{S}_i \hat{S}_j - J_n^z \sum_{ij} \hat{S}_i^z \hat{S}_j^z \right) - D \sum_i (\hat{S}_i^z)^2$$

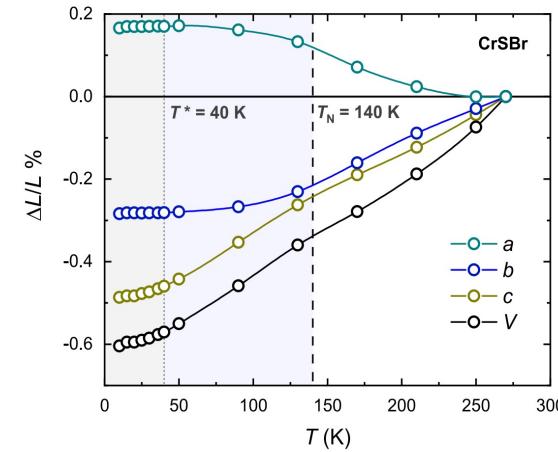
TB2J code : <https://github.com/mailhexu/TB2J>

U, eV	1	2	3	4	5	6
$J_1$ , meV	2.67	3.11	3.54	3.93	4.30	4.51
$J_2$ , meV	3.48	3.29	3.08	2.87	2.63	2.43
$J_3$ , meV	6.38	5.36	4.15	2.82	1.21	-0.64

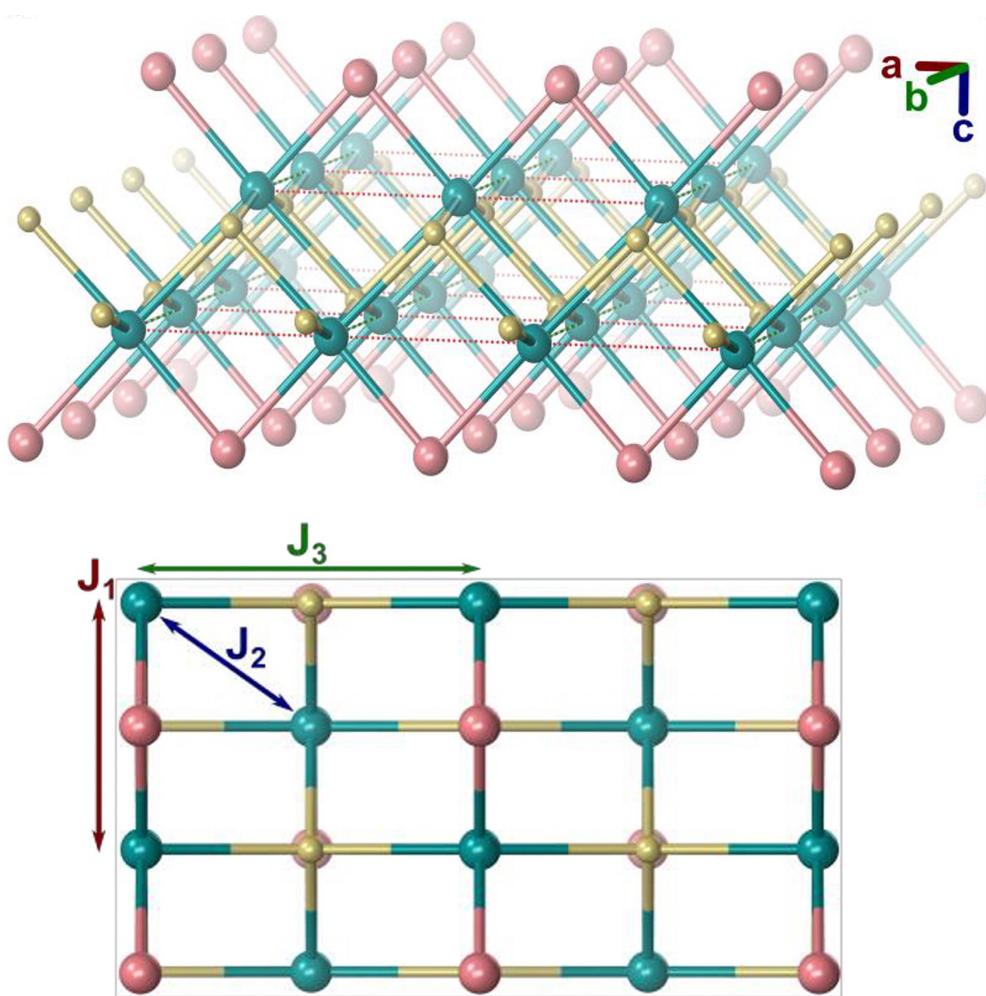
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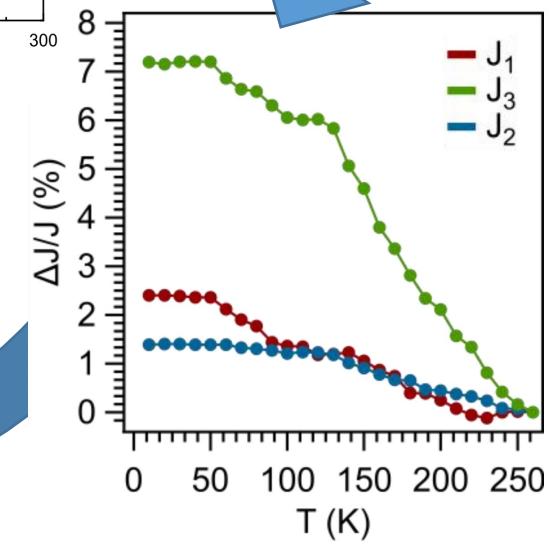
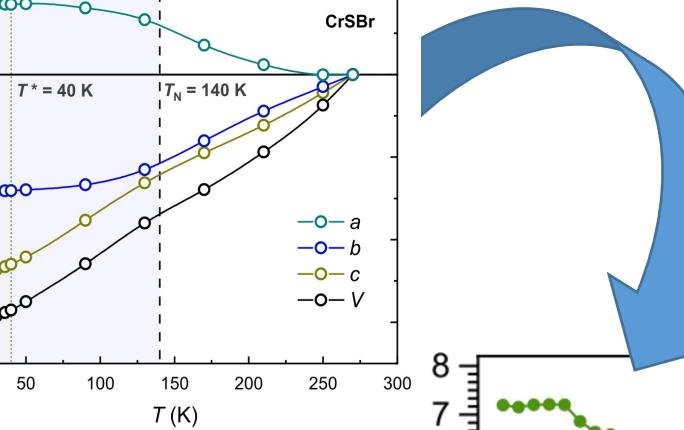
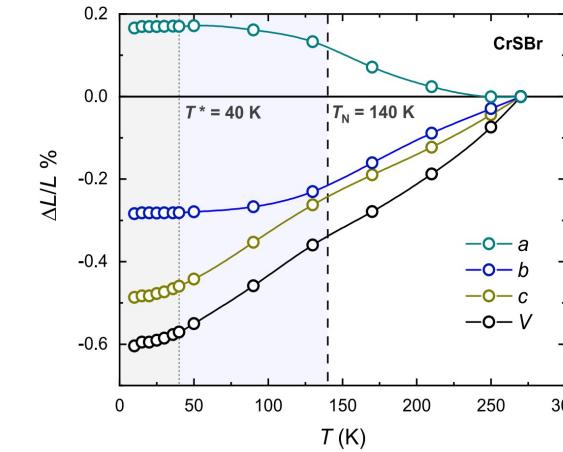
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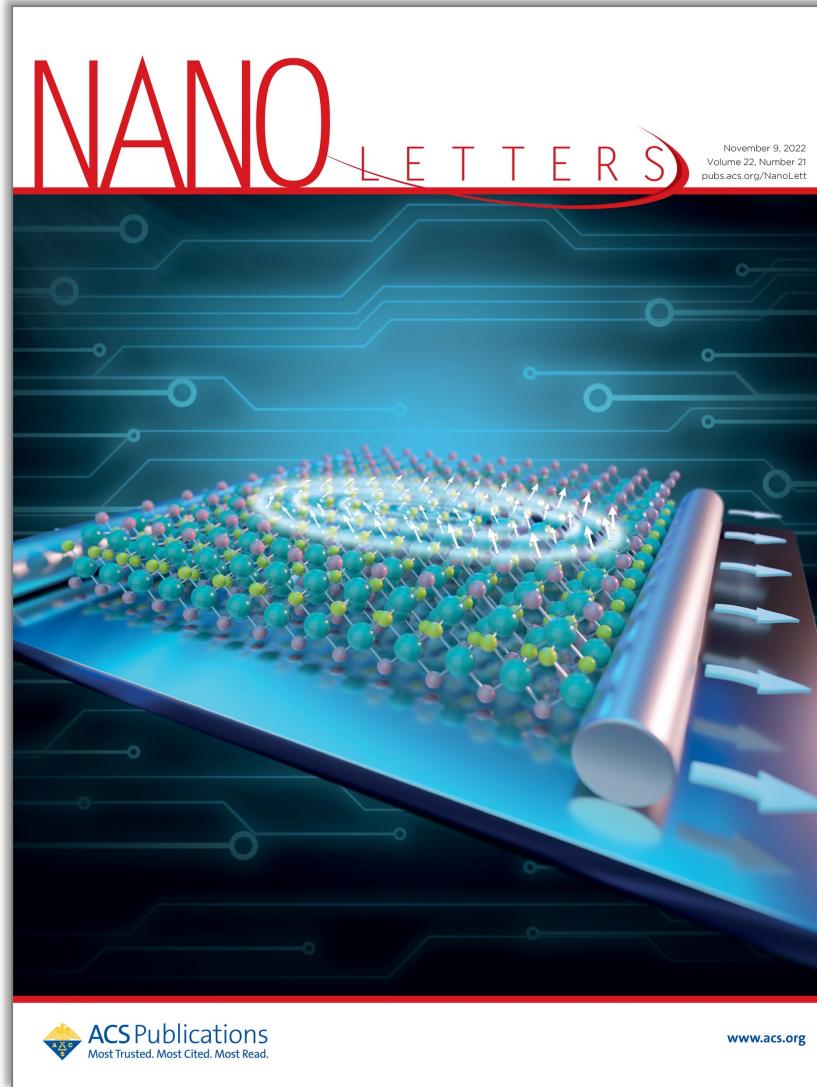
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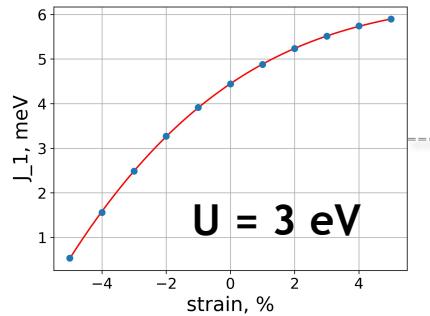
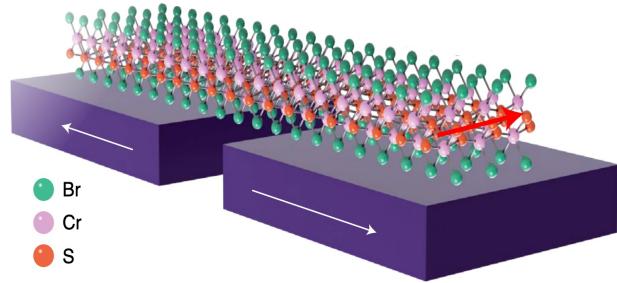
2D materials

Outstanding deformation capacity

Can we use strain engineering to control spin waves propagation?

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# High-density maps of magnetic exchange



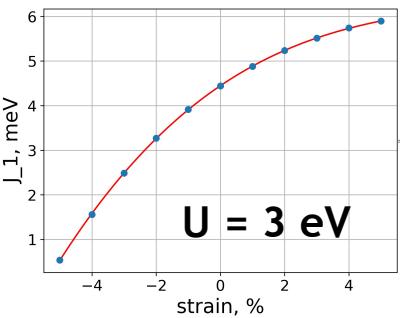
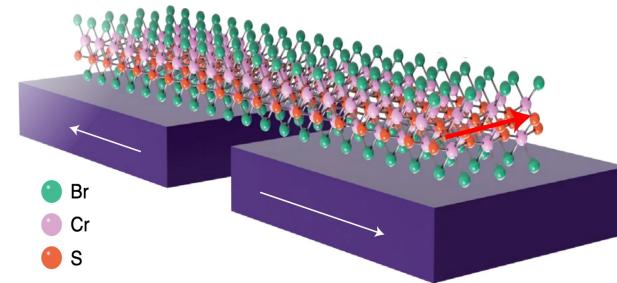
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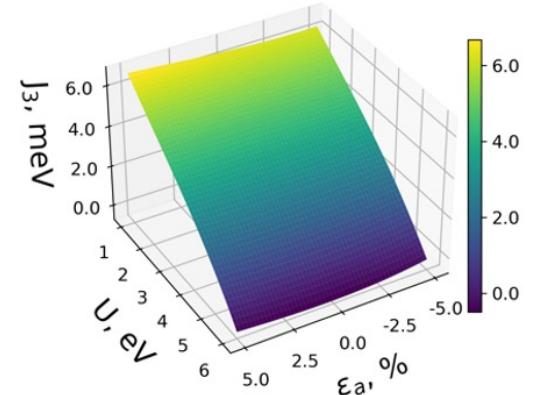
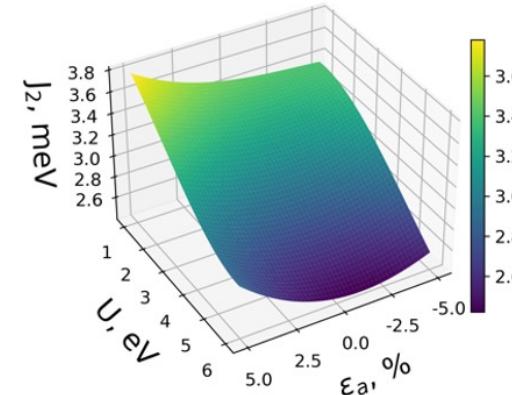
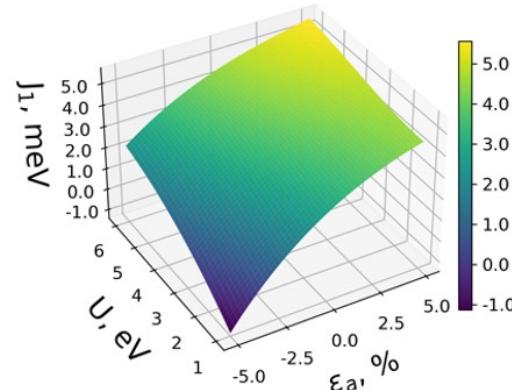


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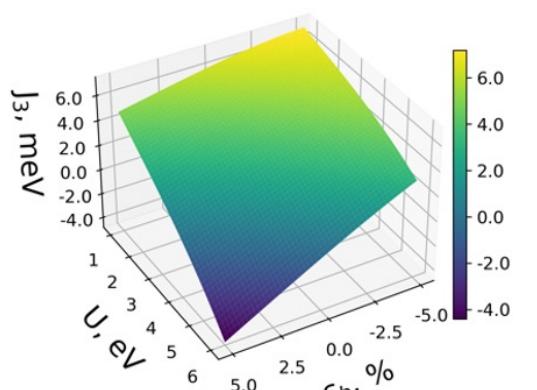
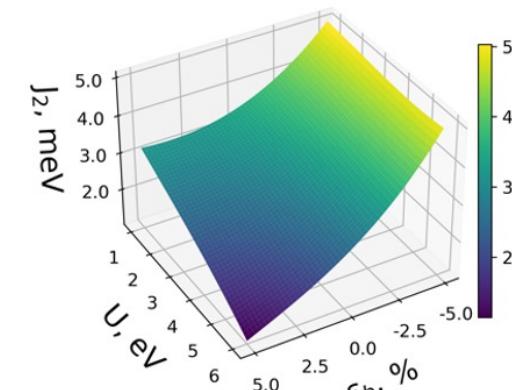
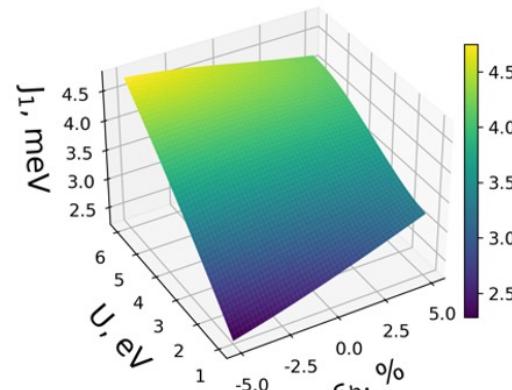
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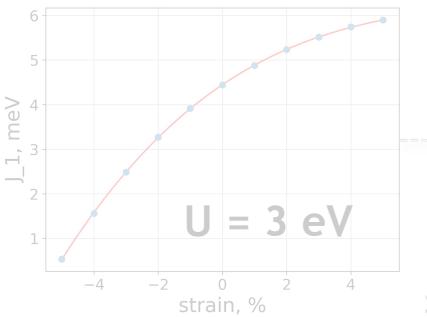
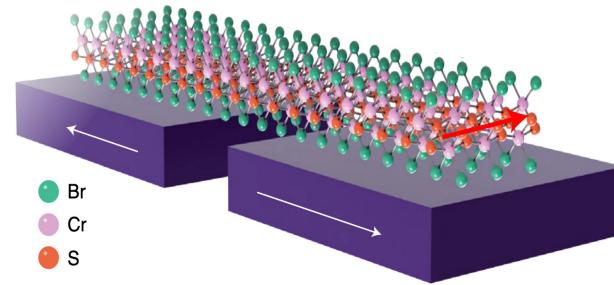
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# High-density maps of magnetic exchange

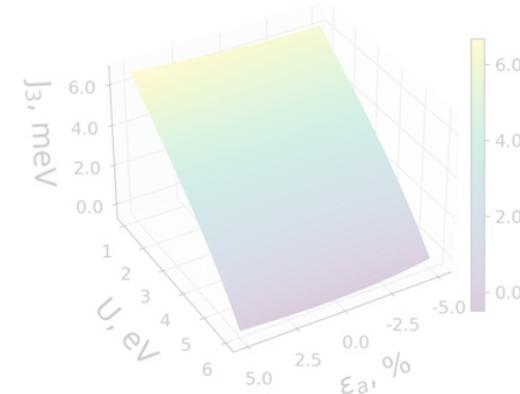
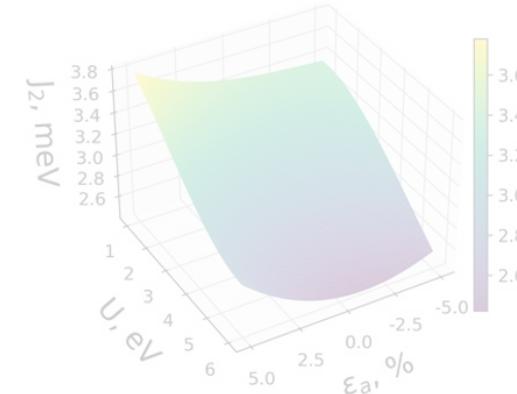
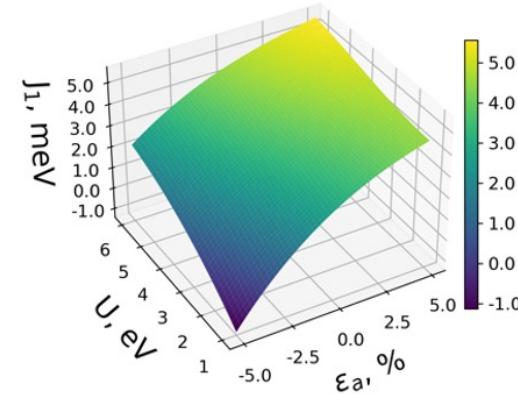


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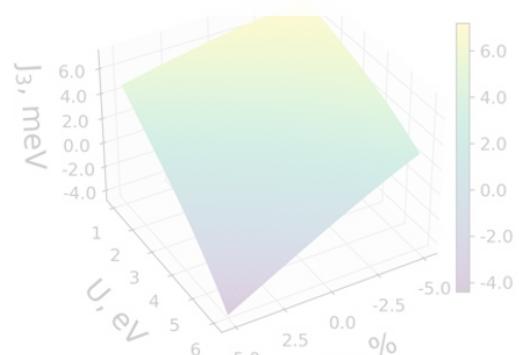
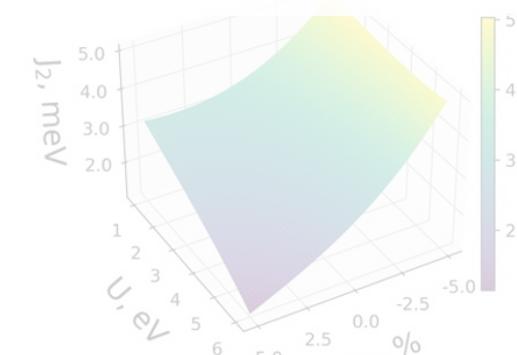
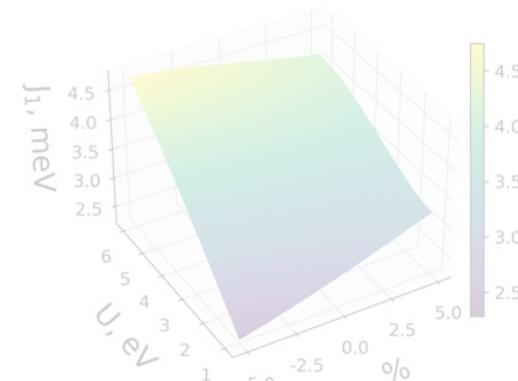
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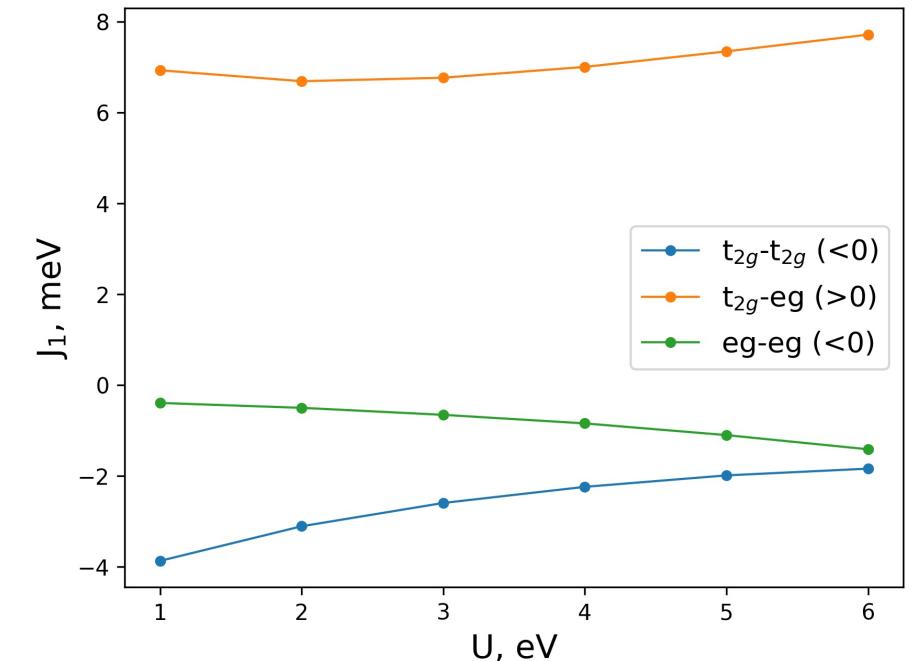
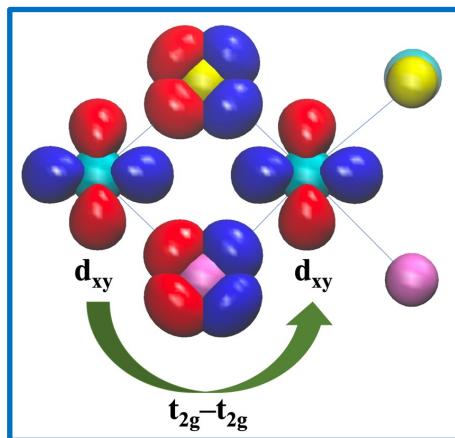
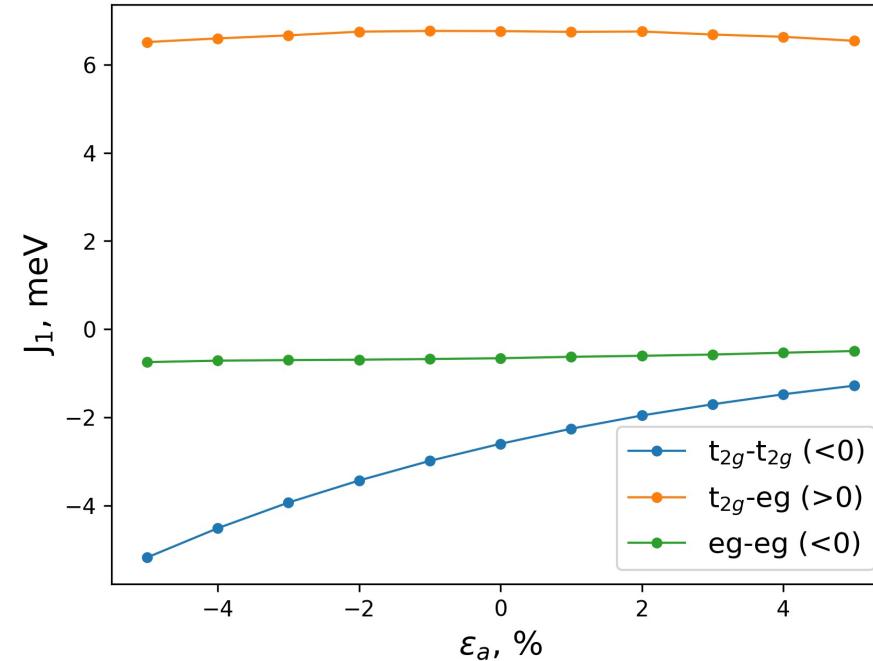
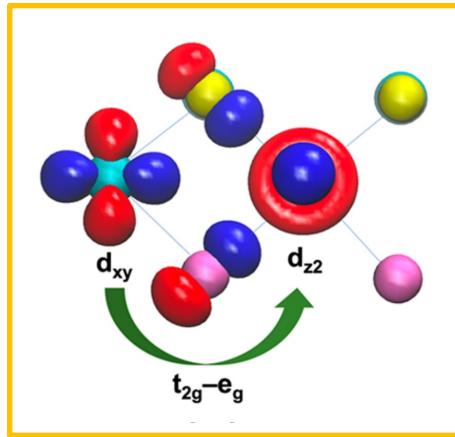
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# Orbital decomposed $J_1$ channels



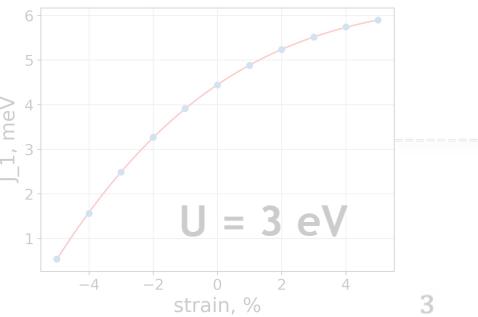
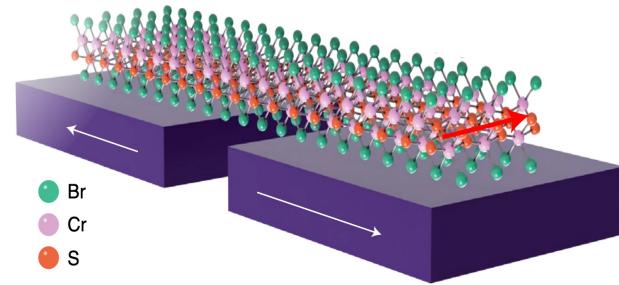
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- Competing **FM** ( $t_{2g}$ - $e_g$ ) vs **AFM** ( $t_{2g}$ - $t_{2g}$ ) pathways
- Tensile strain and an enhancement of Coulomb interactions lead to a decrease of the AFM channel, thus enhancing  $J_1$ .



# High-density maps of magnetic exchange



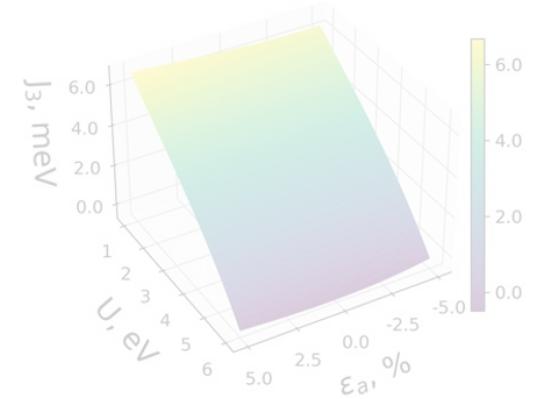
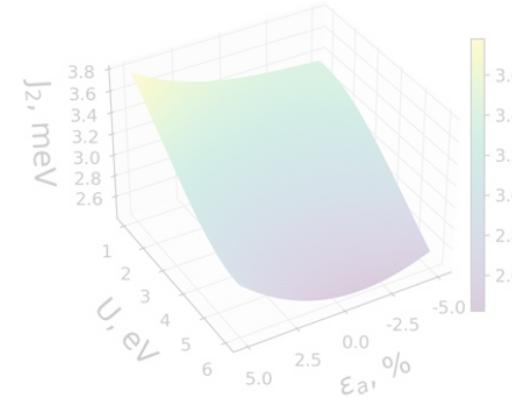
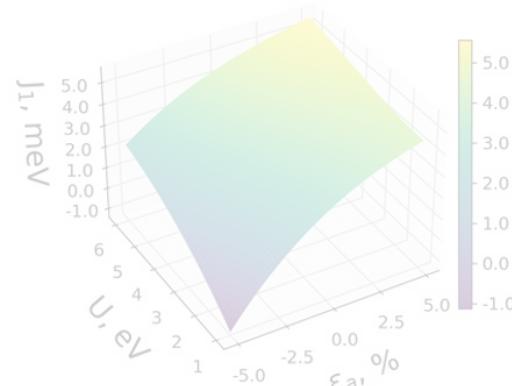
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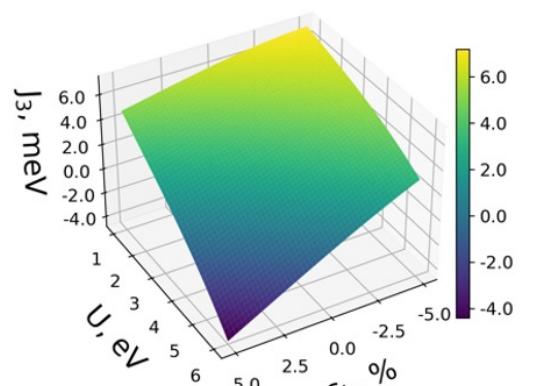
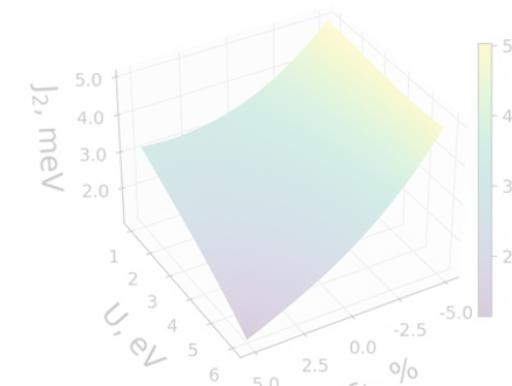
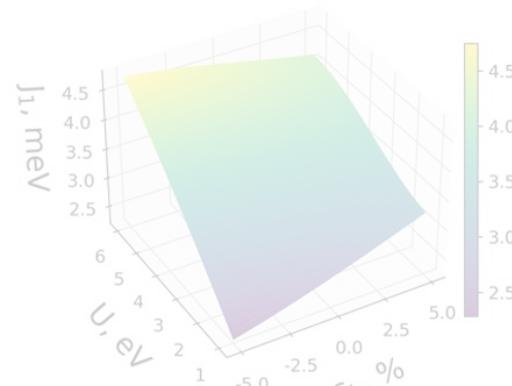
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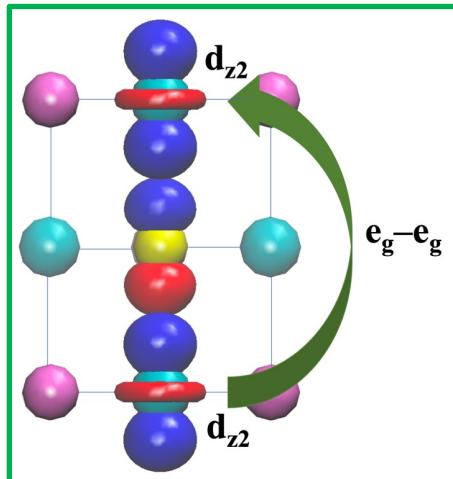
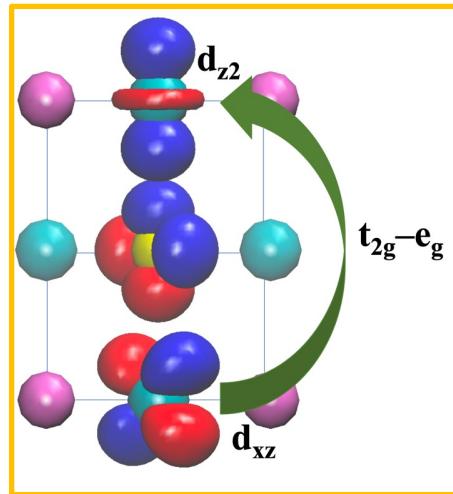
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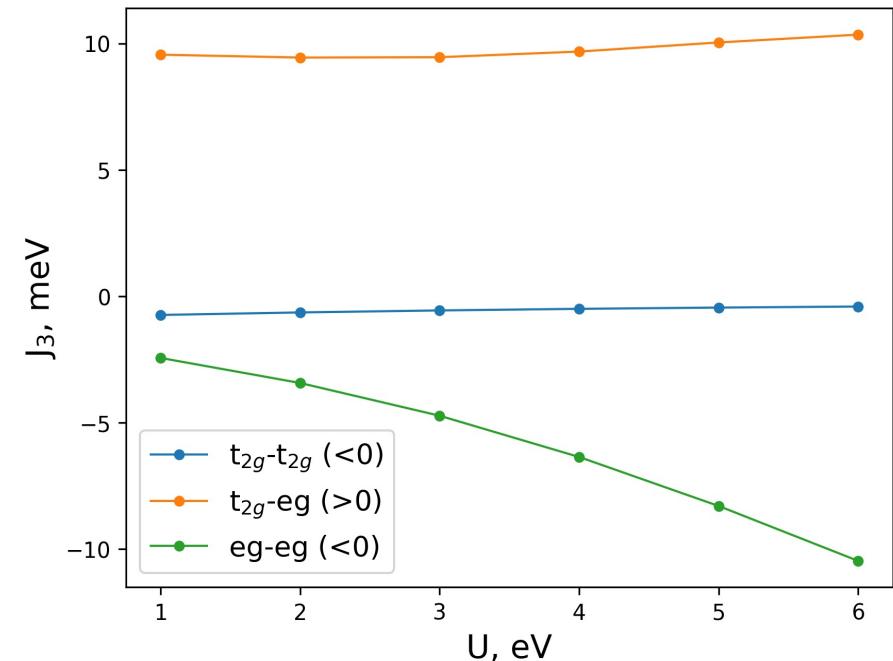
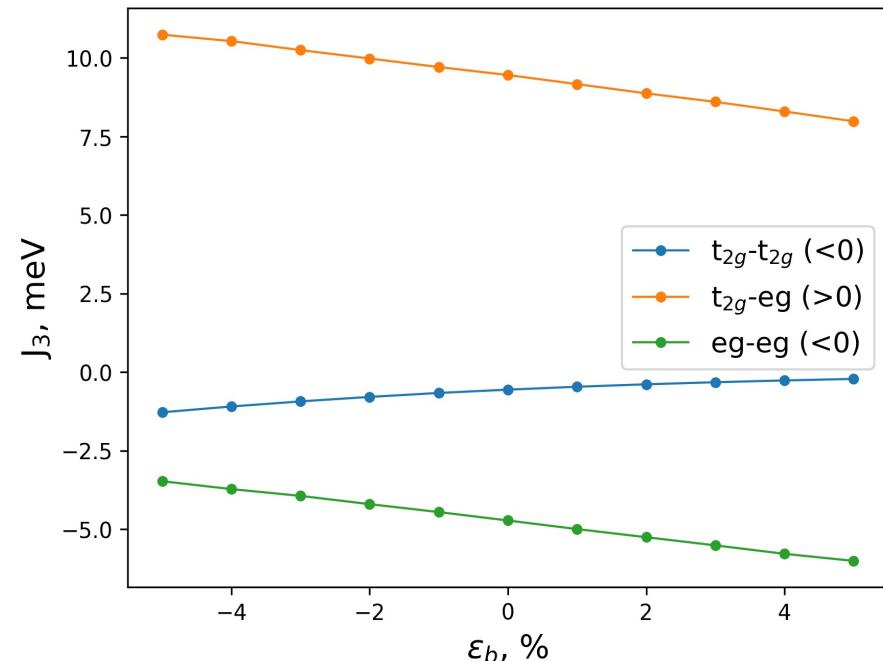
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# Orbital decomposed $J_3$ channels



- Uniaxial strain (b)



- Competing **FM** ( $t_{2g}-e_g$ ) vs **AFM** ( $e_g-e_g$ ) pathways
- **Compressive strain (b)** and **decrease of Hubbard U** lead to a decrease of the **AFM** channel, thus enhancing  $J_3$ .



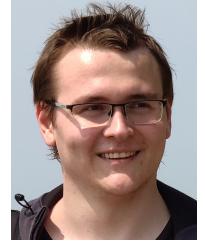
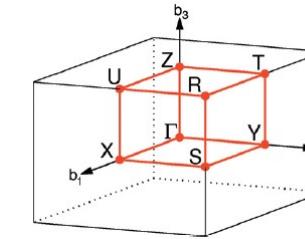
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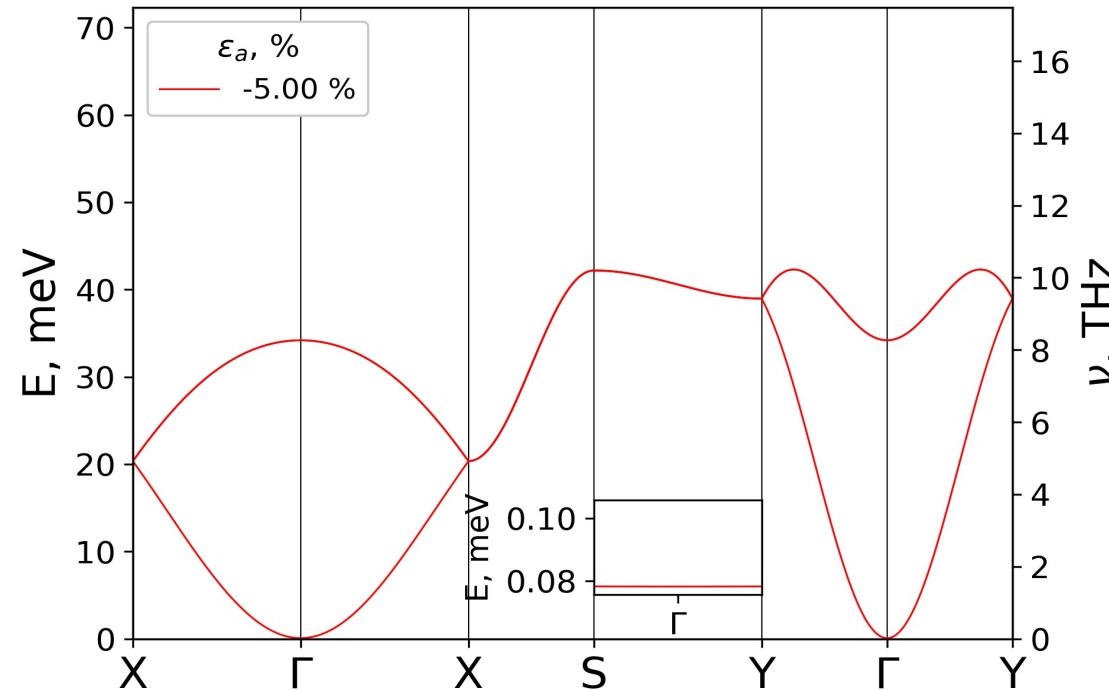
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## Uniaxial strain (a)



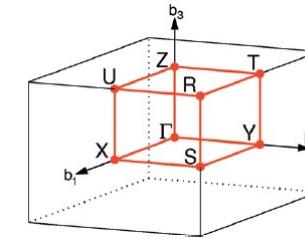
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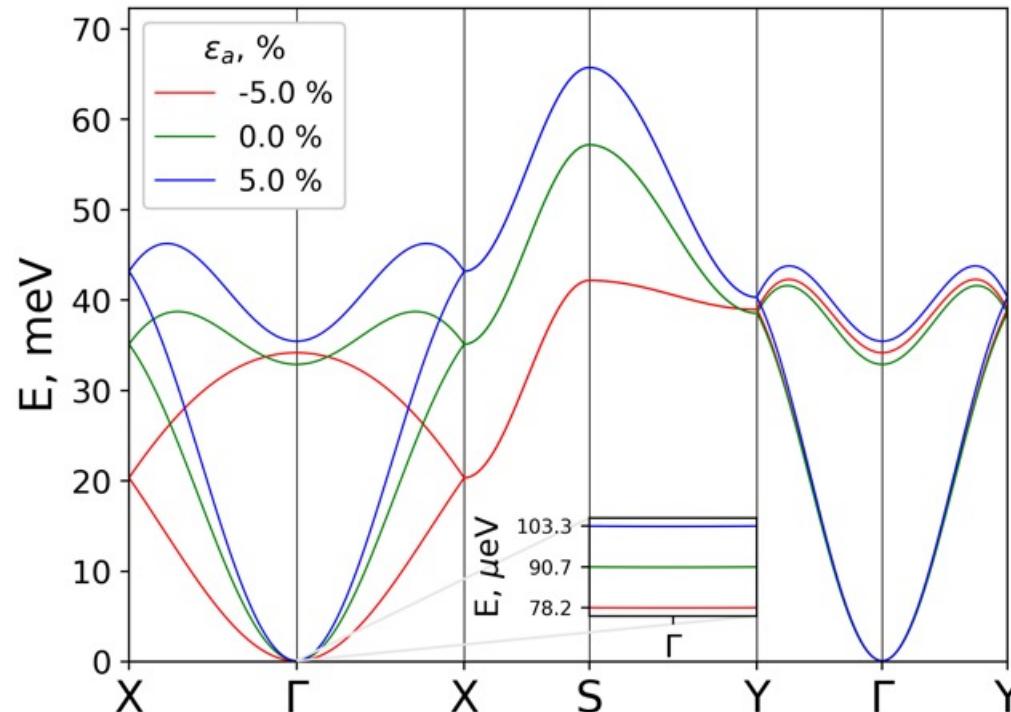
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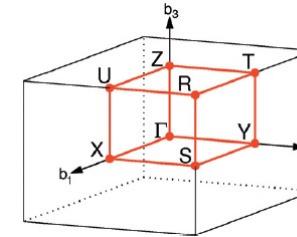


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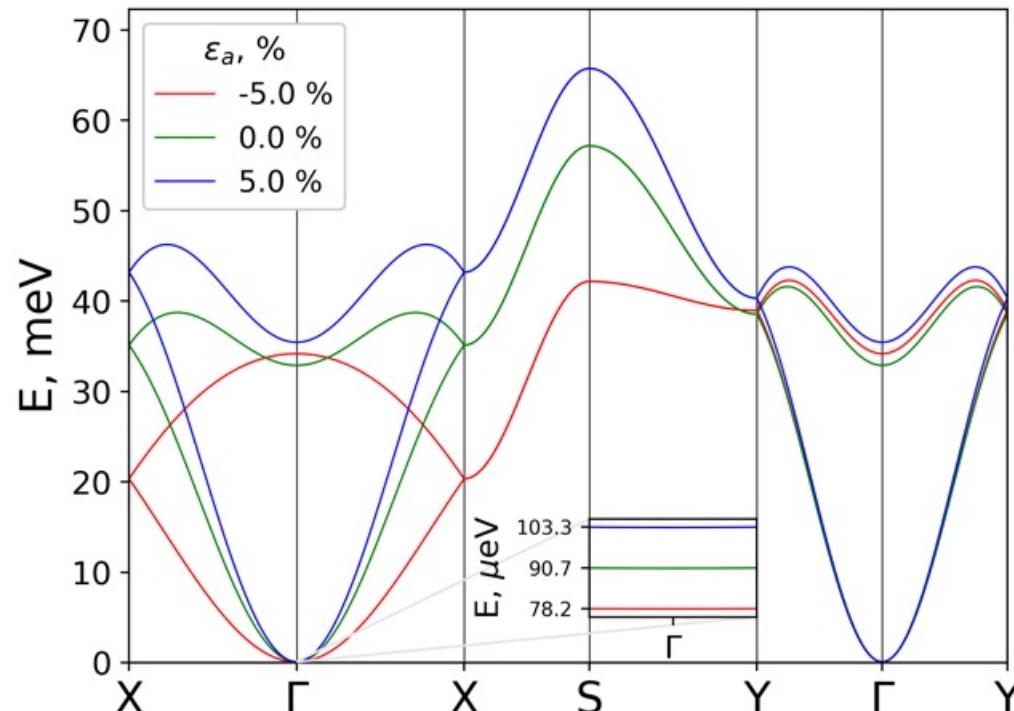
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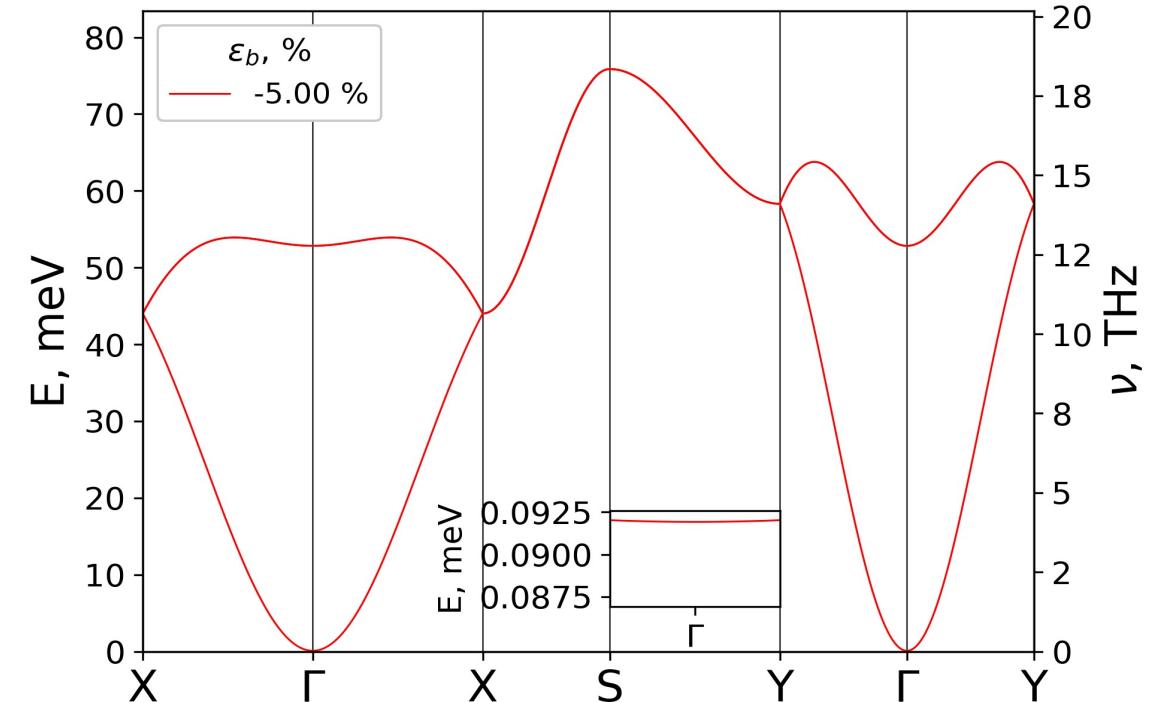


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Uniaxial strain (a)



Uniaxial strain (b)



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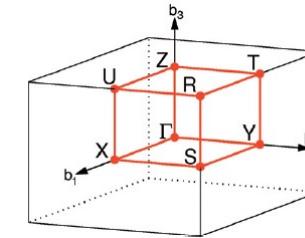


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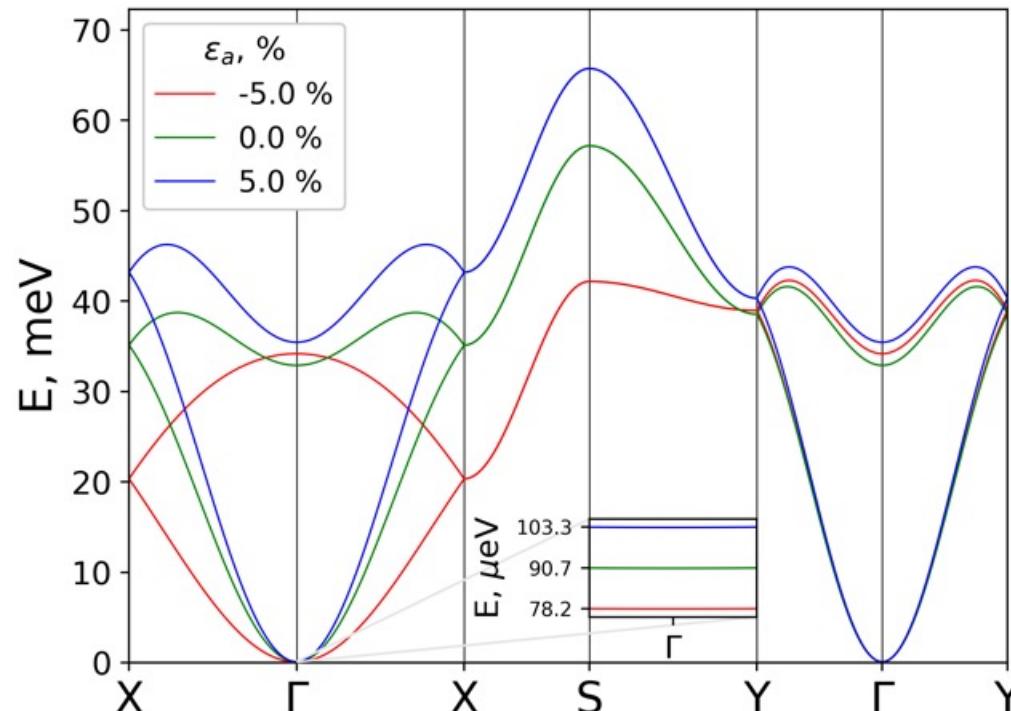
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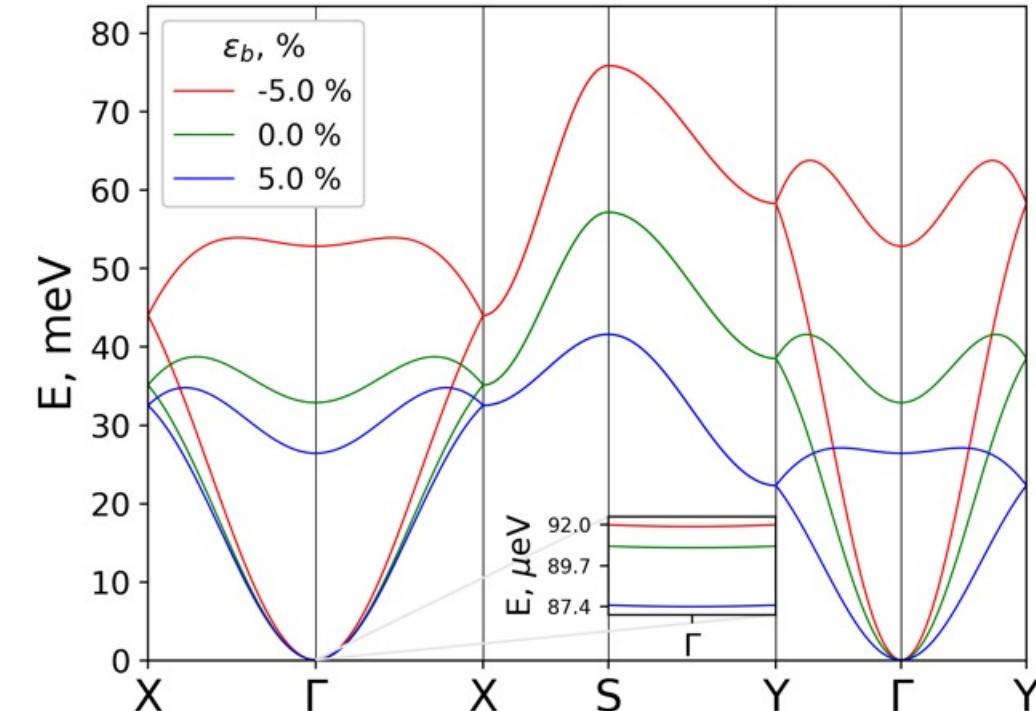


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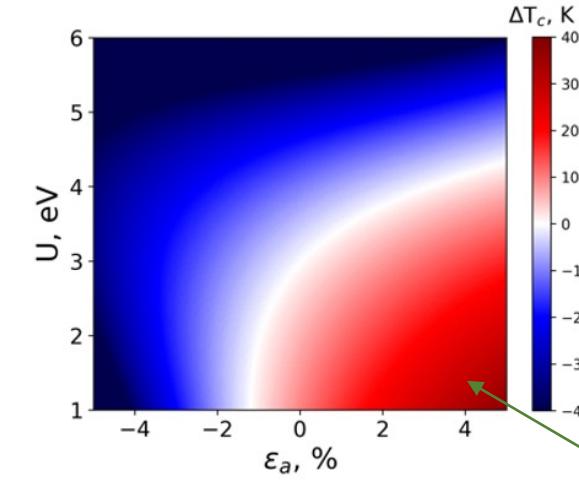
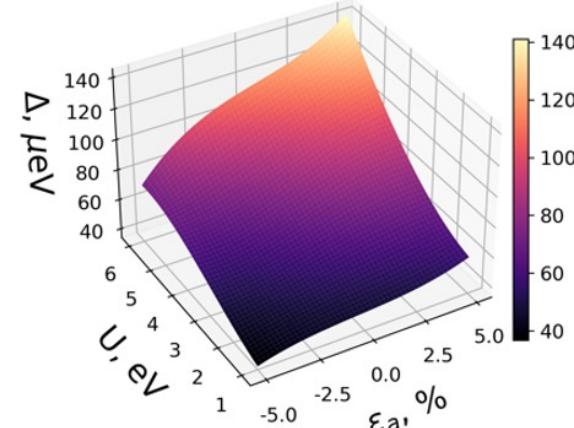
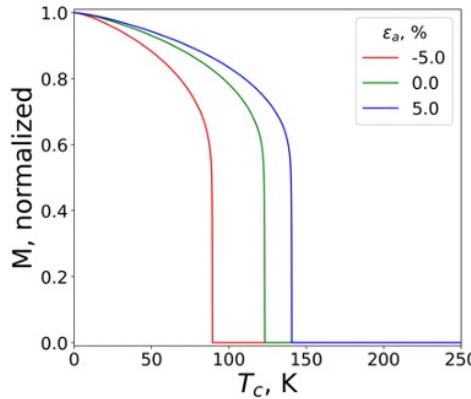


# Strain-engineering of Curie temperature



- From magnon dispersion relation through renormalized spin-wave theory

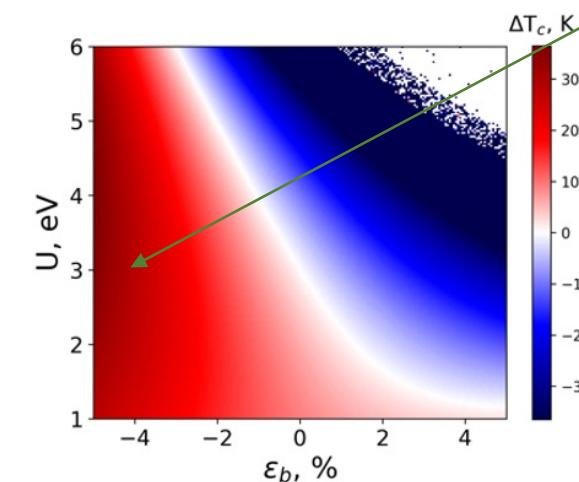
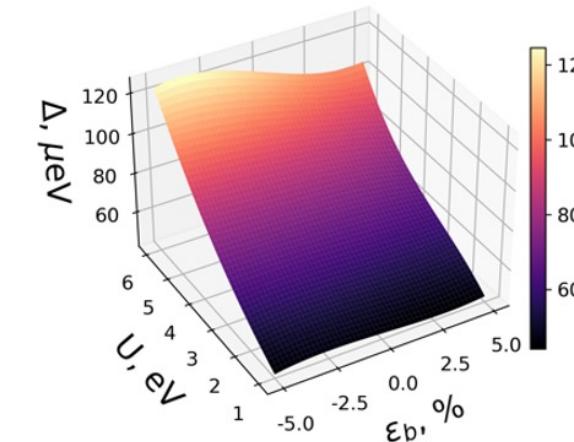
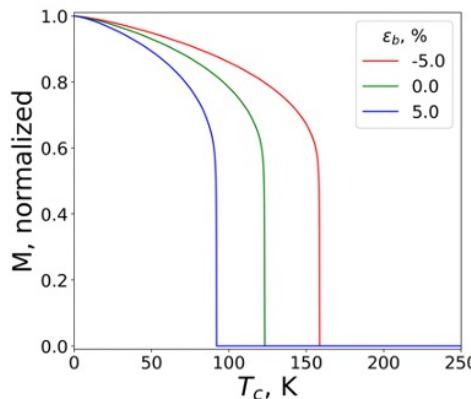
- Uniaxial strain (a)



$$M = S - \frac{1}{2(2\pi)^2} \int_{BZ} \frac{d^2\vec{k}}{e^{\beta ME(\vec{k})/S} - 1}$$

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- Uniaxial strain (b)



Fight t<sub>2g</sub>-t<sub>2g</sub> (J<sub>1</sub>)  
T<sub>c</sub> (calc) = 122 K  
30% enhancement!

Fight e<sub>g</sub>-e<sub>g</sub> (J<sub>3</sub>)



# Atomistic spin dynamics simulations



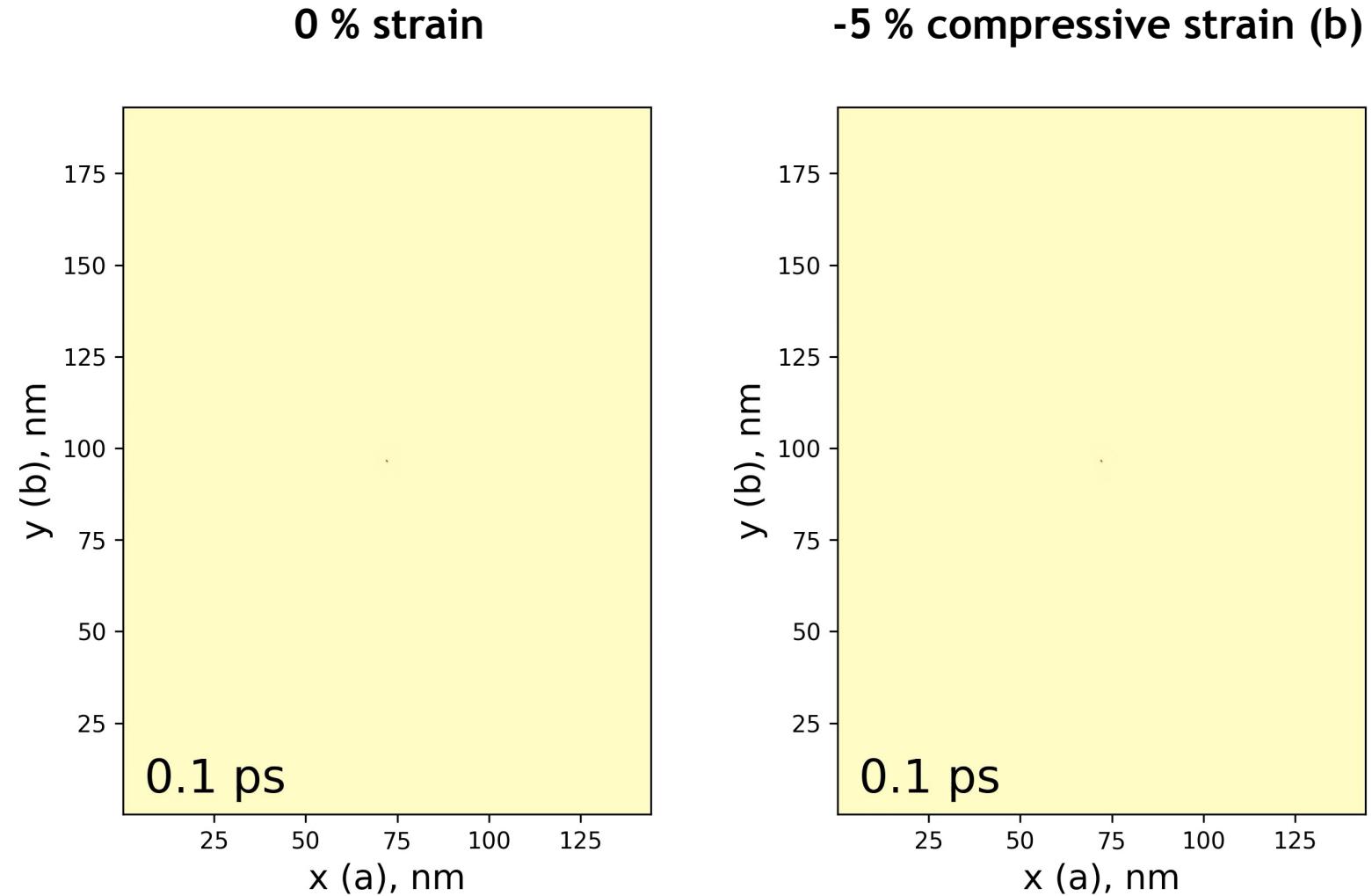
- Real-time real-space SWs propagation (LLG)

$$\frac{d\vec{m}}{dt} = -\gamma\mu_0\vec{m} \times \vec{H} + \alpha\vec{m} \times \frac{d\vec{m}}{dt}$$

- Gilbert damping: 0.01 (from  $\text{CrI}_3$  literature)

- Ultrashort oscillating magnetic field (1 ps) to generate a SW.

- Tensile strain  $a$  reaches group velocity  $v_a = 4.2 \cdot 10^3$  m/s vs compressive strain  $b$  reaches group velocity  $v_b = 7.5 \cdot 10^3$  m/s



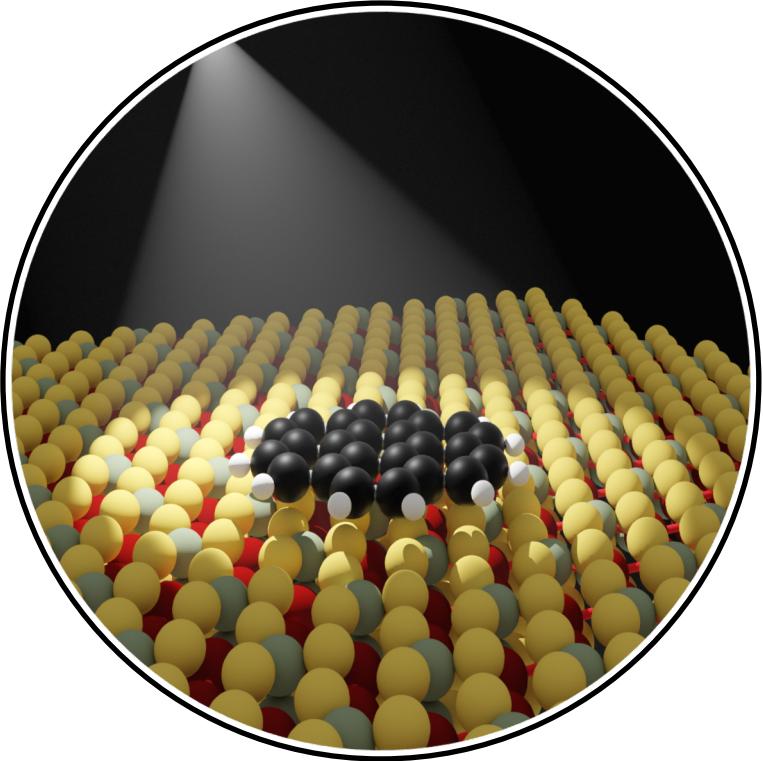
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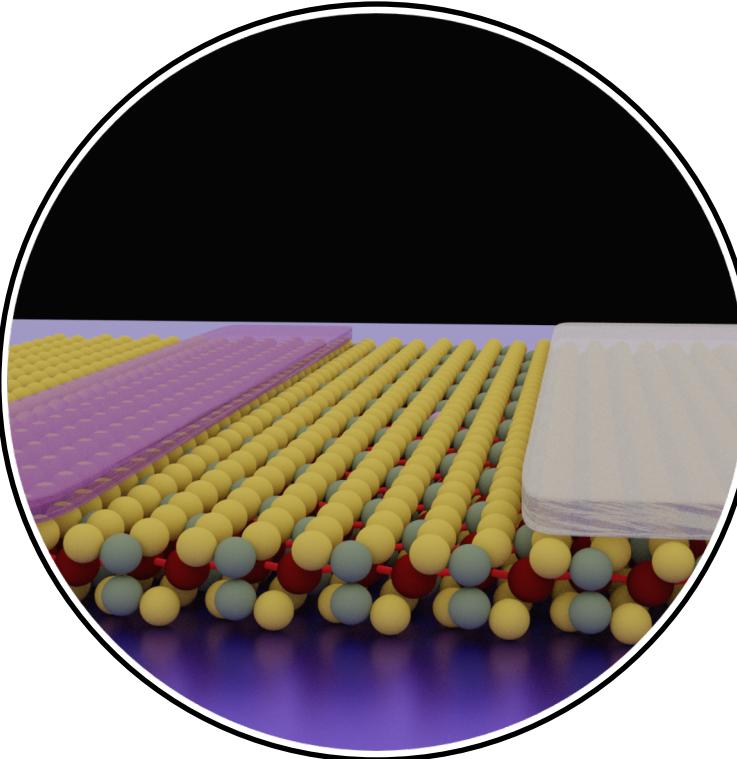
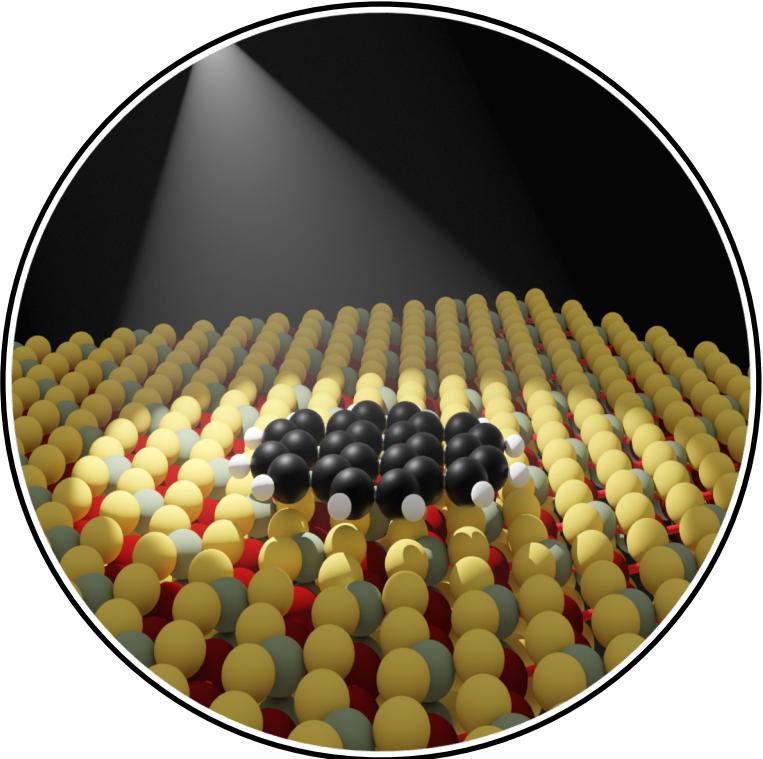
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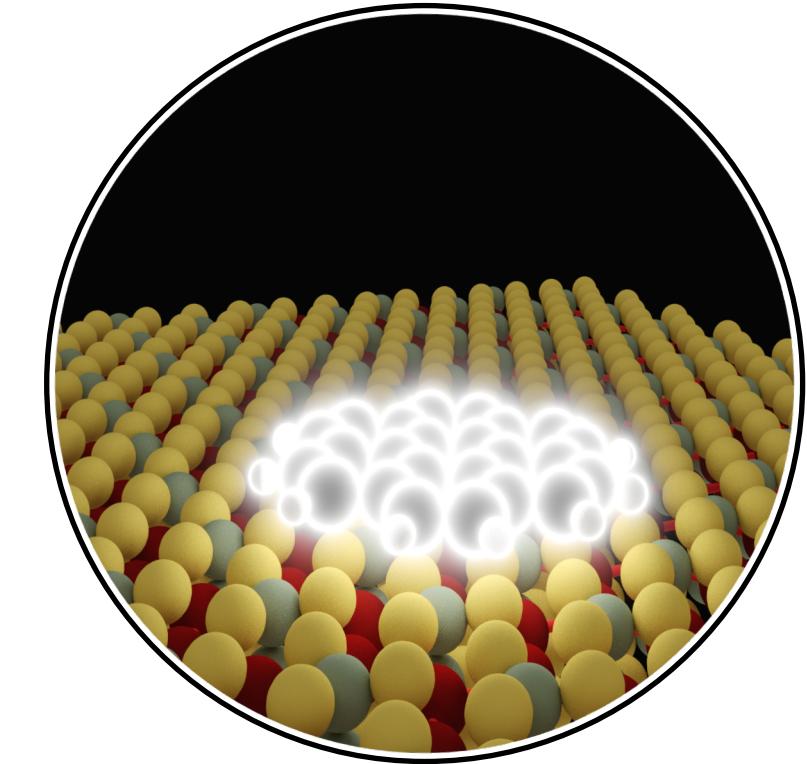
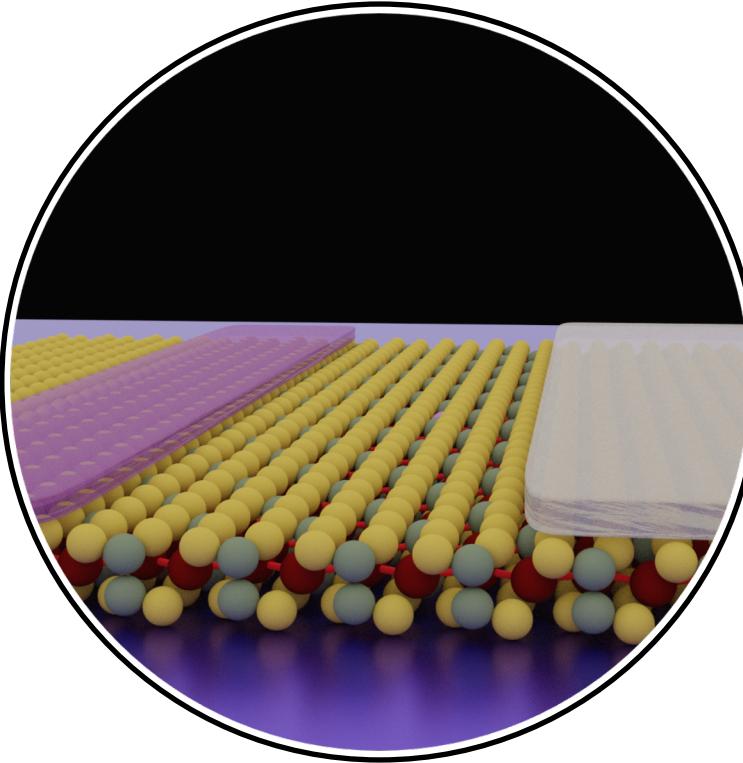
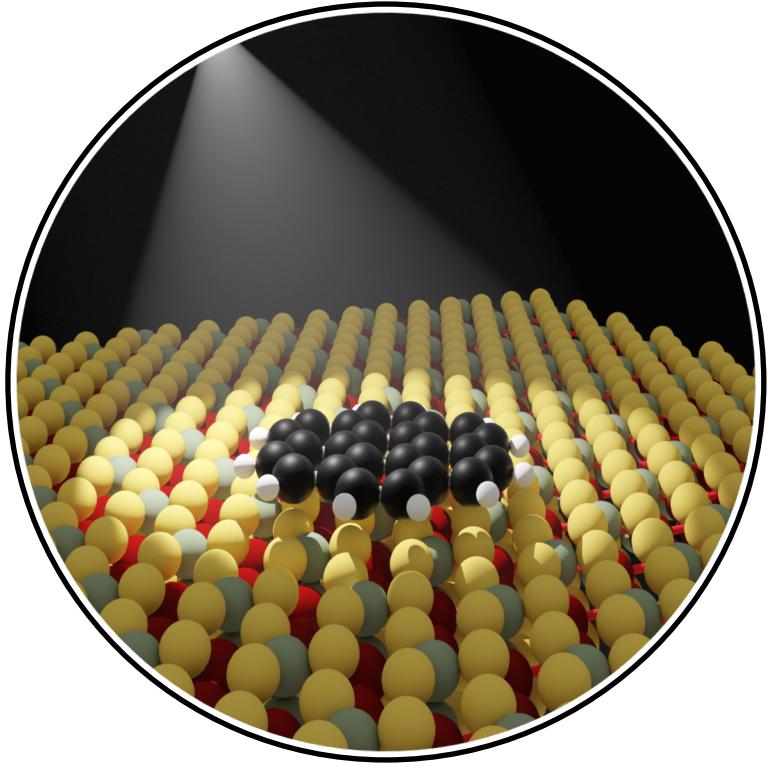
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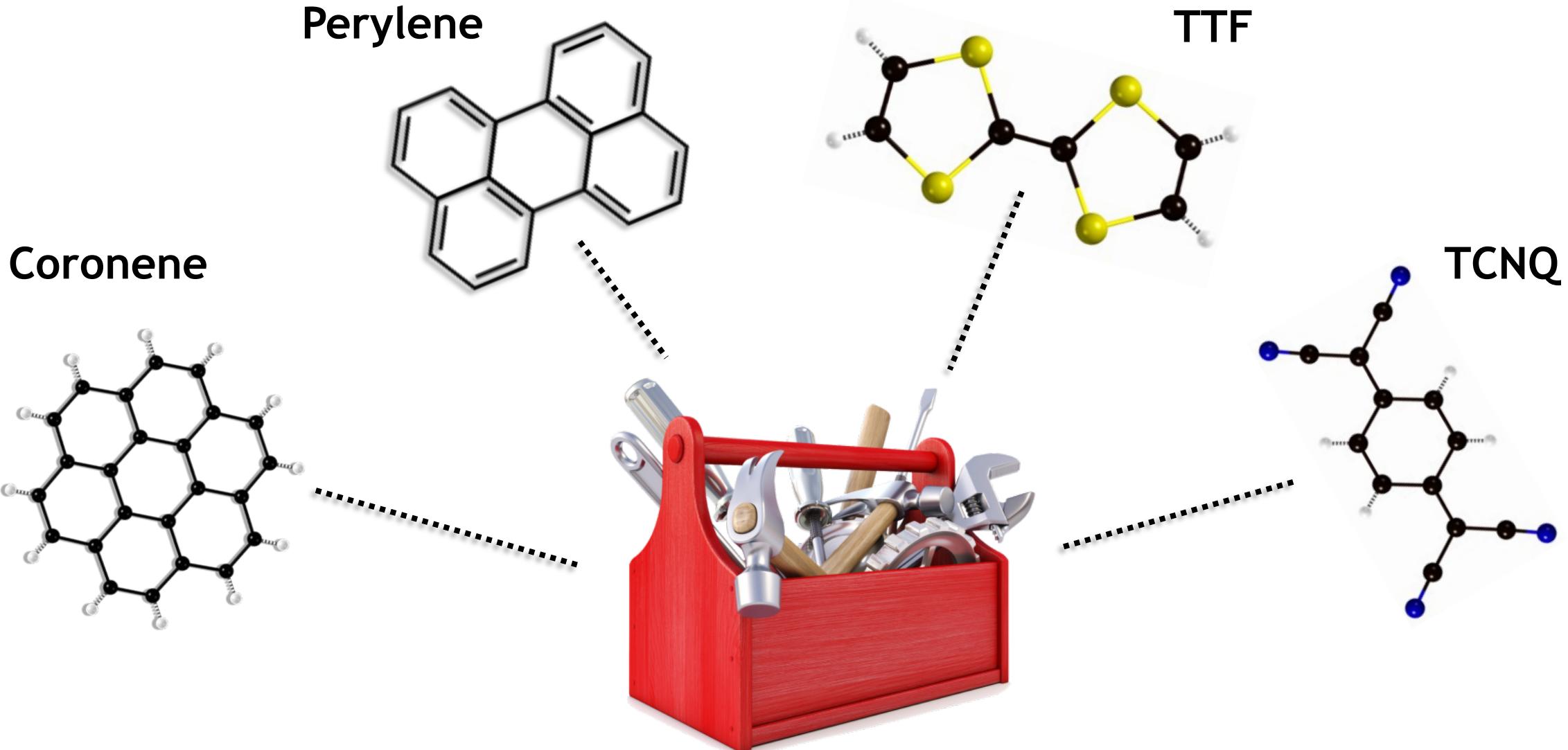
# Chemistry to excite, modulate and detect



Spin waves in hybrid molecular/2D magnetic materials!



# Organic molecules toolbox

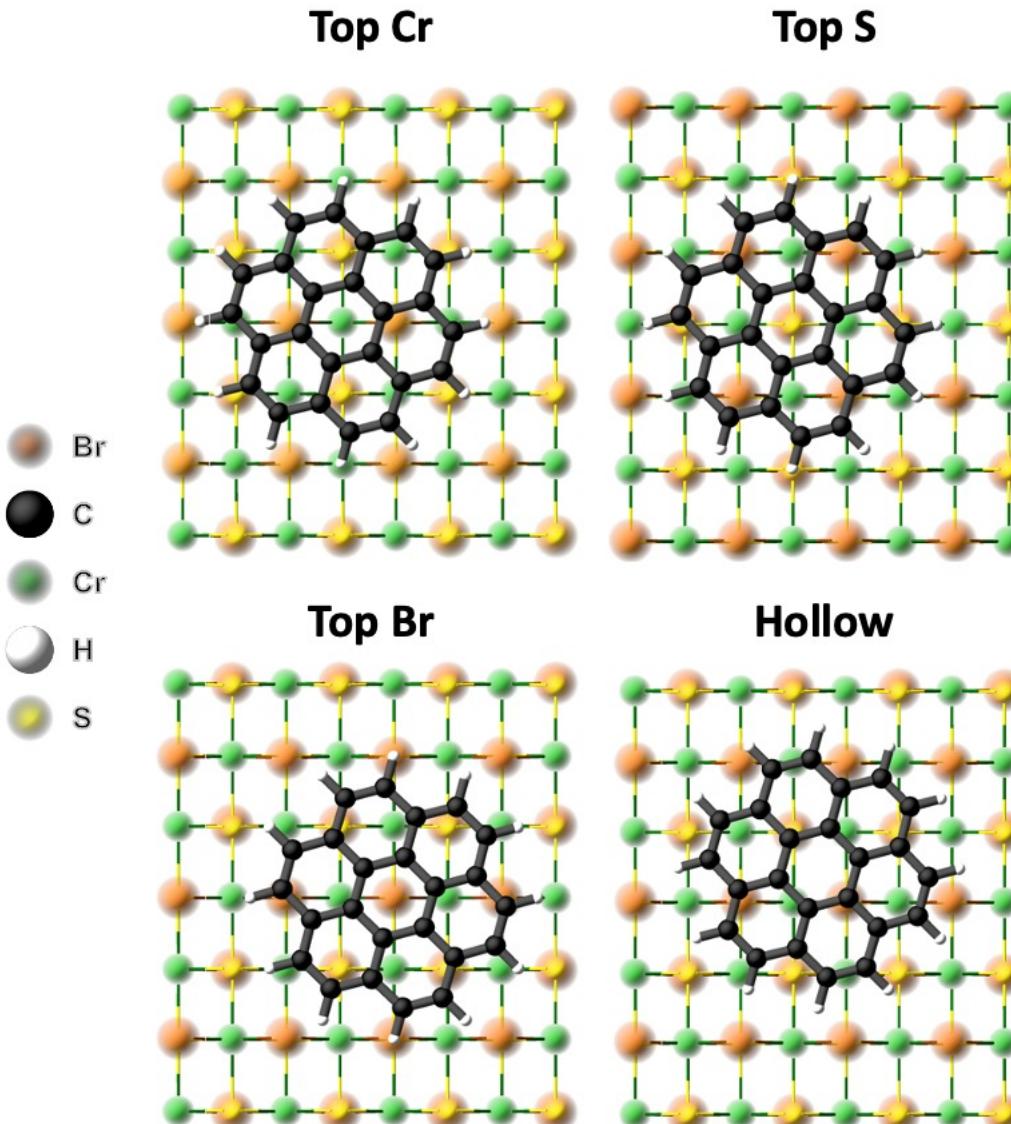


# DFT structural optimization (PBE + vdW)



- Different adsorption sites
- Different orientation of the molecules (rotation  $\phi$  axis)
- 4x4 supercells (~12 Å between molecules)
- Dispersion corrections
- Calculation of  $E_{ads}$

$$E_{ads} = E_{hybrid} - E_{2D} - E_{mol}$$

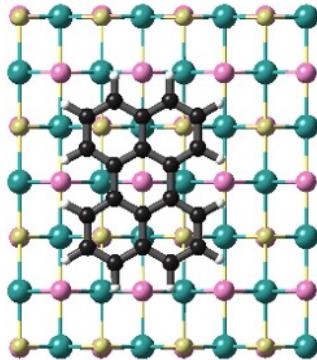


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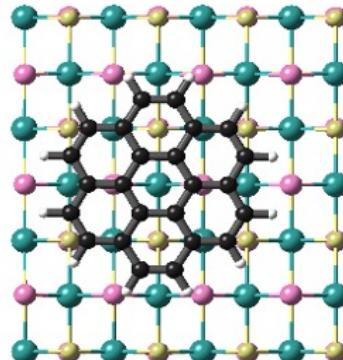


- Full optimization for each molecular orientation

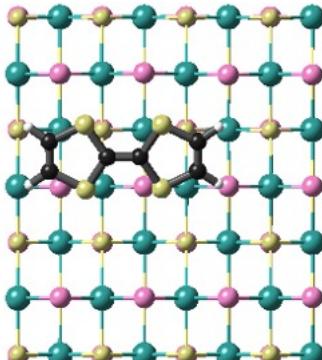
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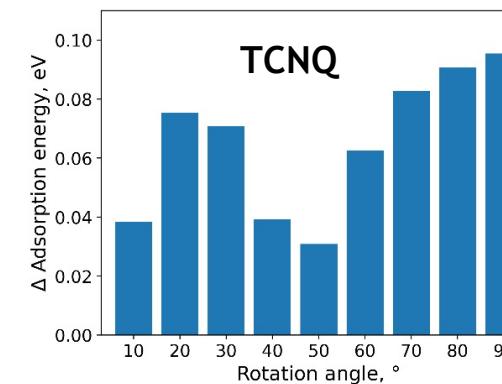
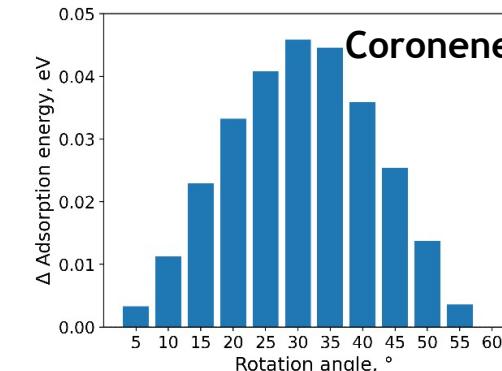
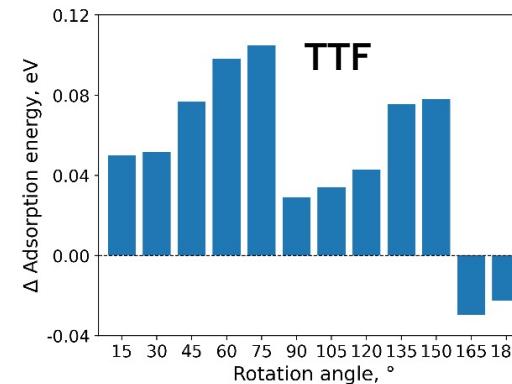
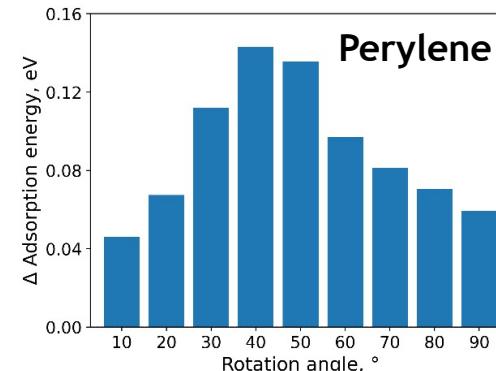
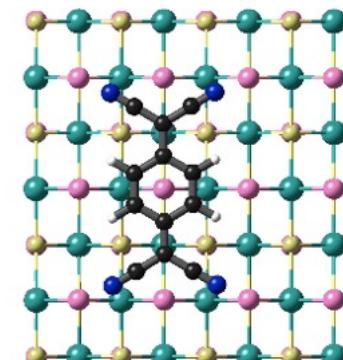
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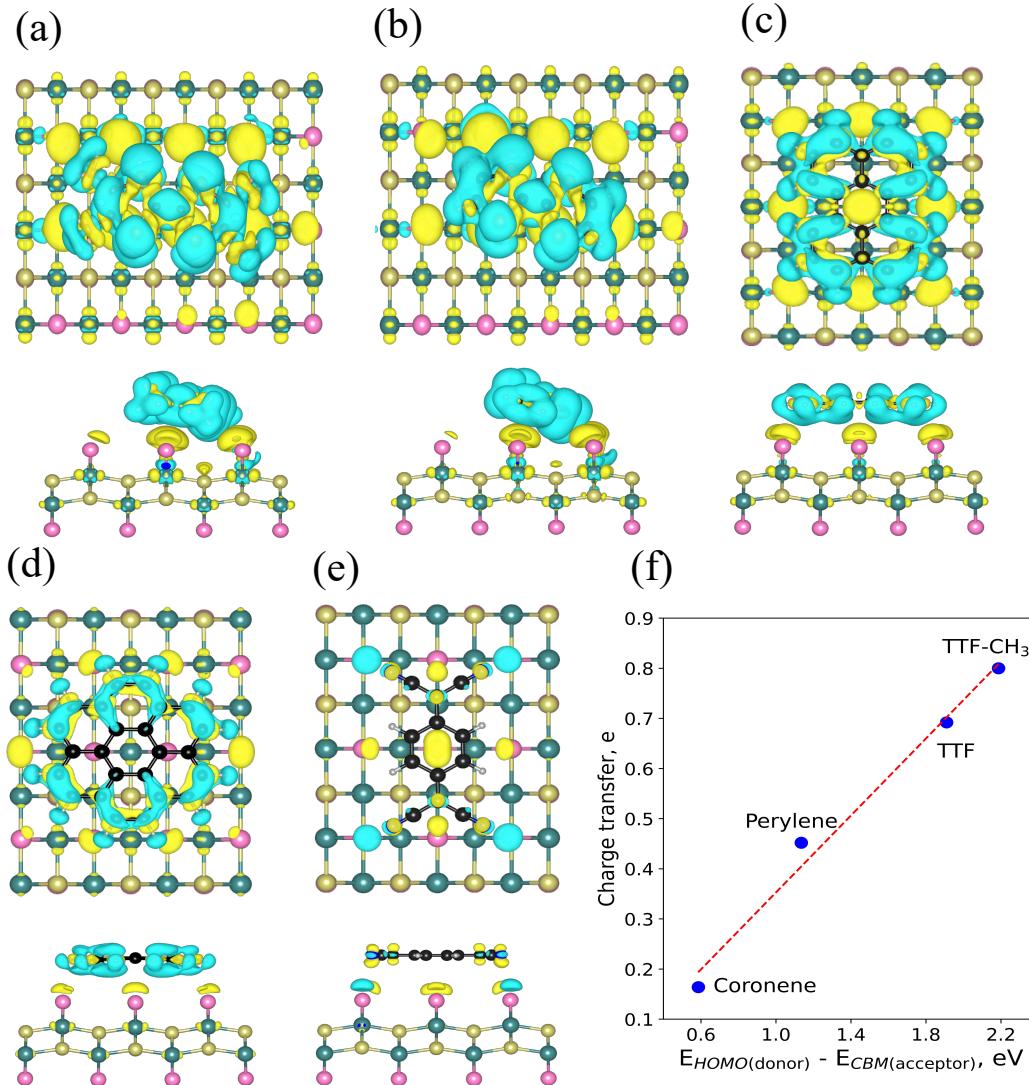


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Molecules	Site	$E_{ads}$ , eV	$h$ , Å	e <sup>-</sup> transfer
TTF-CH <sub>3</sub>	Hollow-top	-2.23	1.32	0.80
TTF	Hollow-top	-1.55	2.14	0.69
Perylene	Br-top	-1.35	2.76	0.45
Coronene	Cr-top	-1.18	2.97	0.16
TCNQ	Br-top	-0.65	3.15	-0.03

# Towards molecular controlled magnonics



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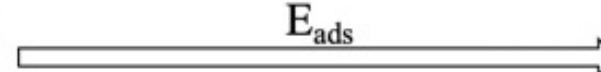
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Cr-S-Cr ( $\delta$ ) / ( $^{\circ}$ )	157.591	162.712	161.782	160.271	159.959

## Distorted CrSBr

Exchange	CrSBr	TTF-CH <sub>3</sub>	TTF	Perylene	Coronene	TCNQ
J <sub>1</sub> (meV)	3.11	3.14	3.14	3.14	3.14	3.15
J <sub>2</sub> (meV)	3.87	3.84	3.84	3.85	3.84	3.84
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## CrSBr + Molecules

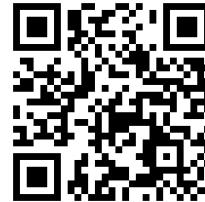
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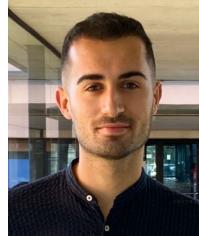


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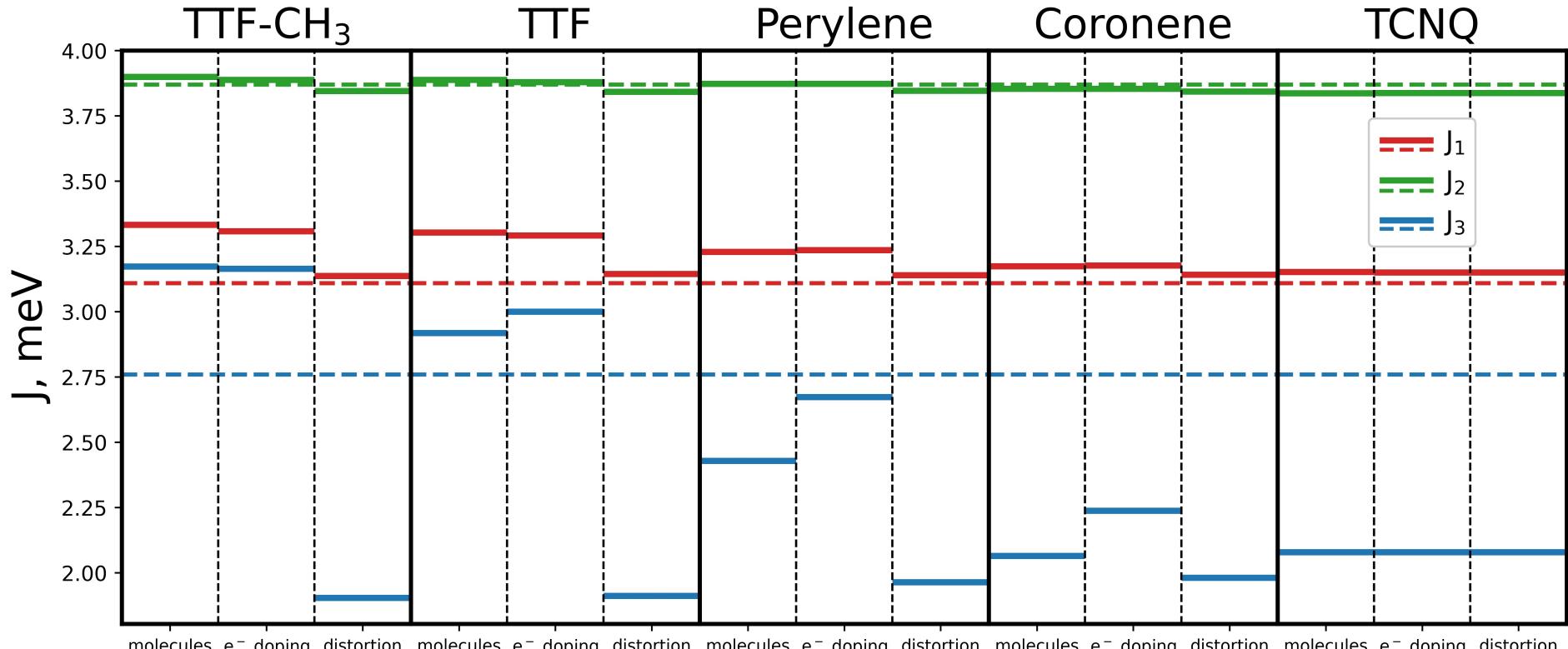
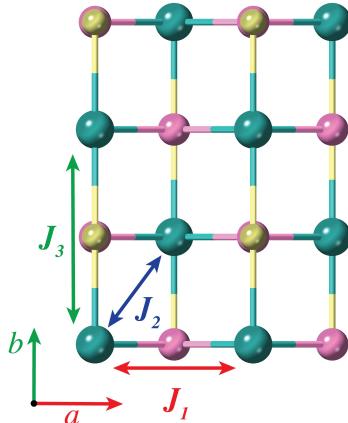


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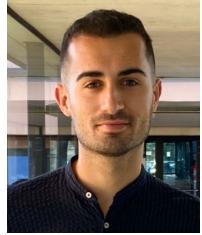
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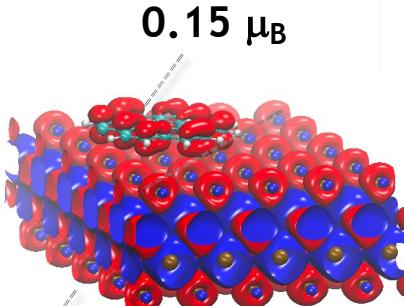
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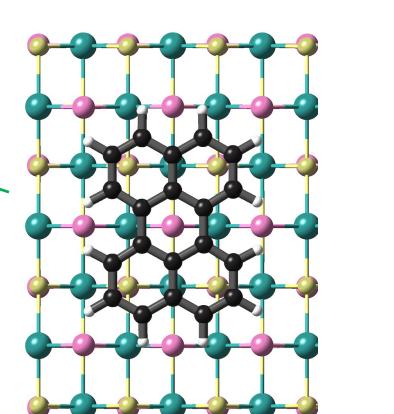
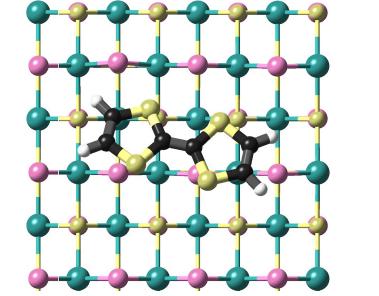
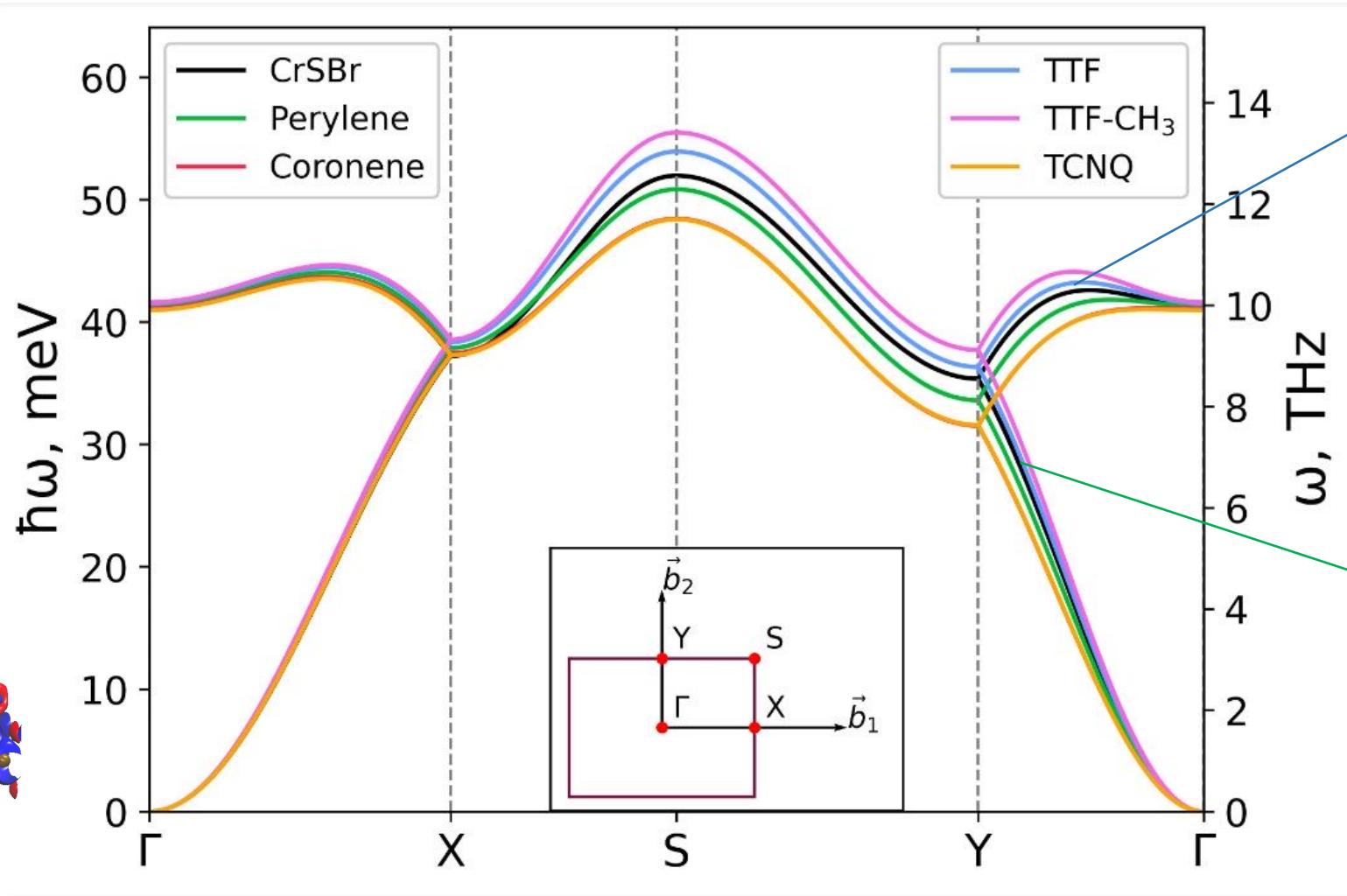


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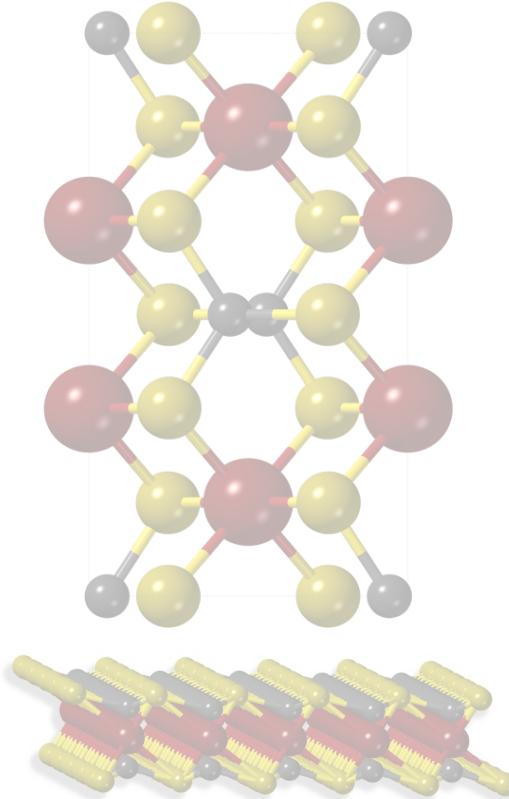
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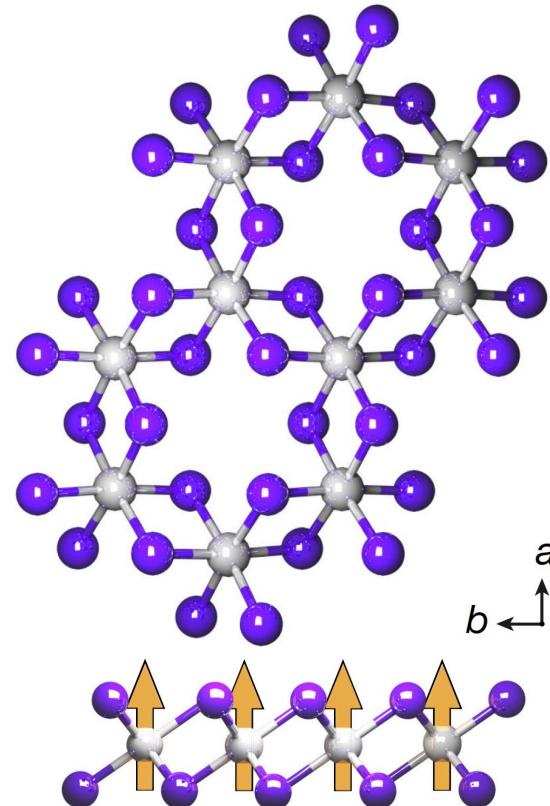
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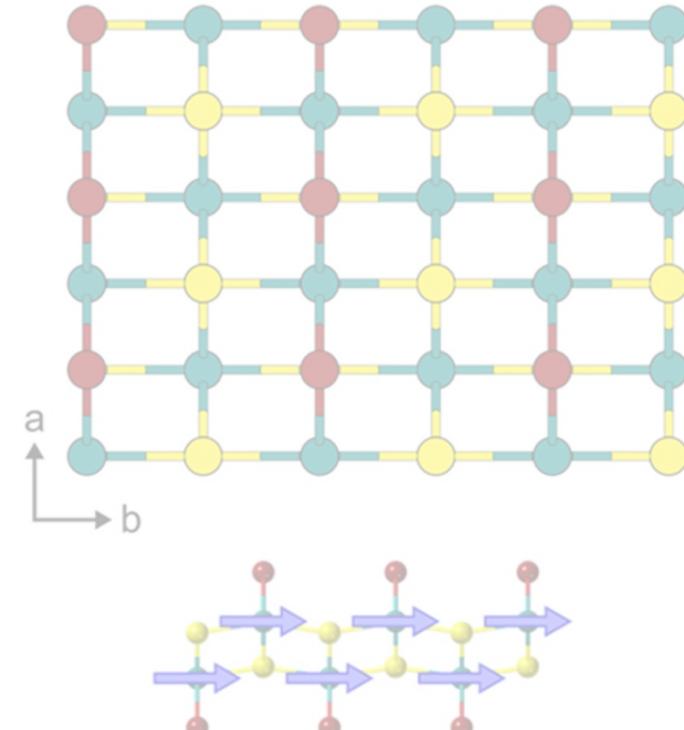
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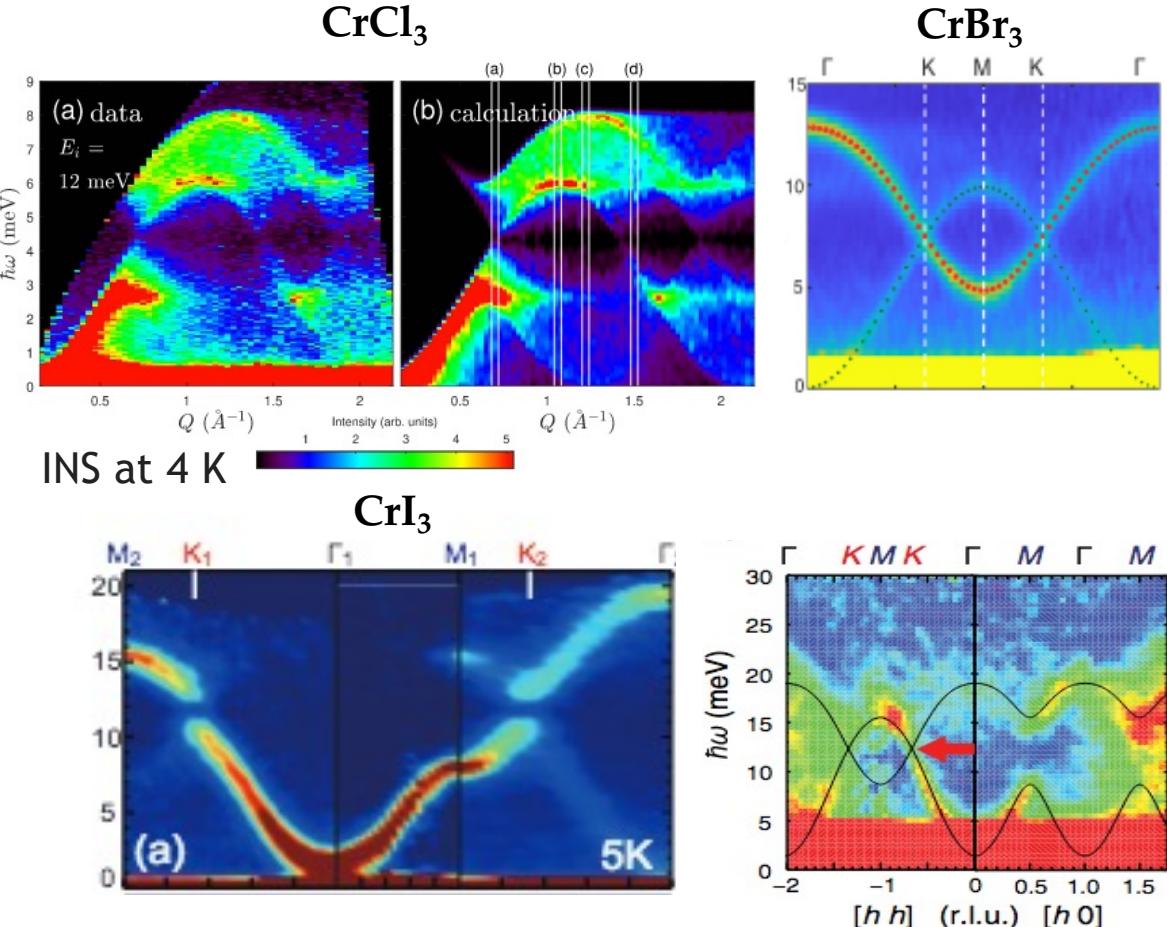
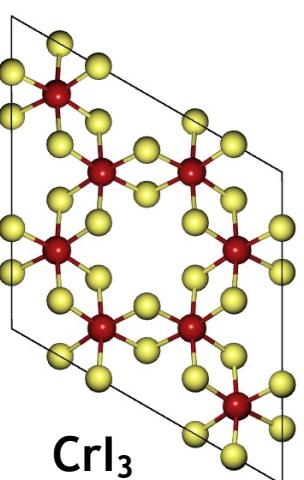
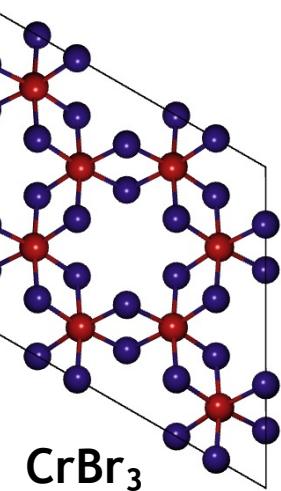
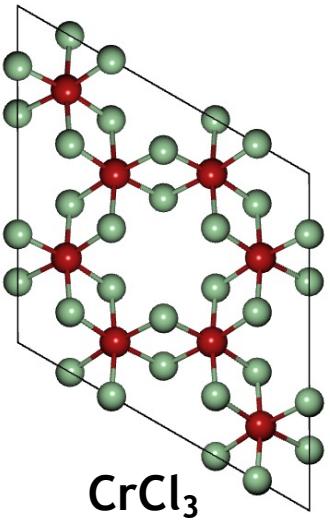
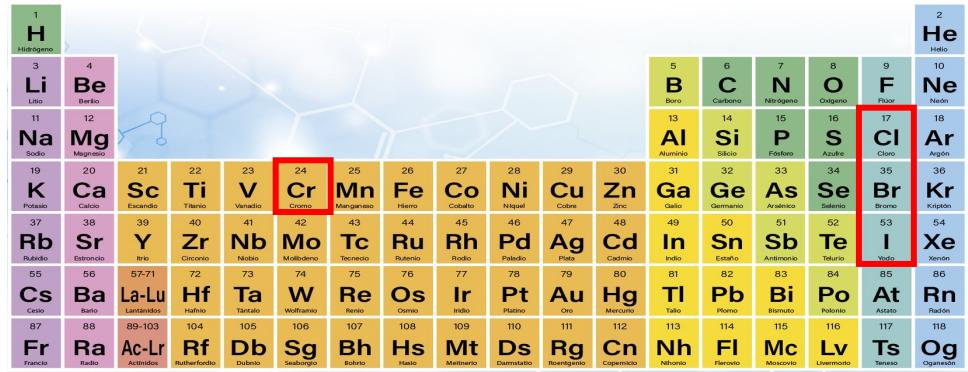
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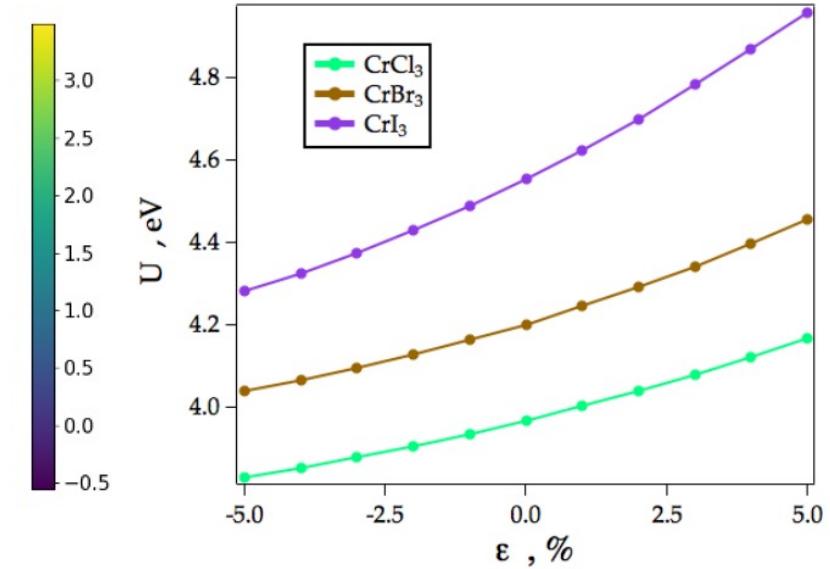
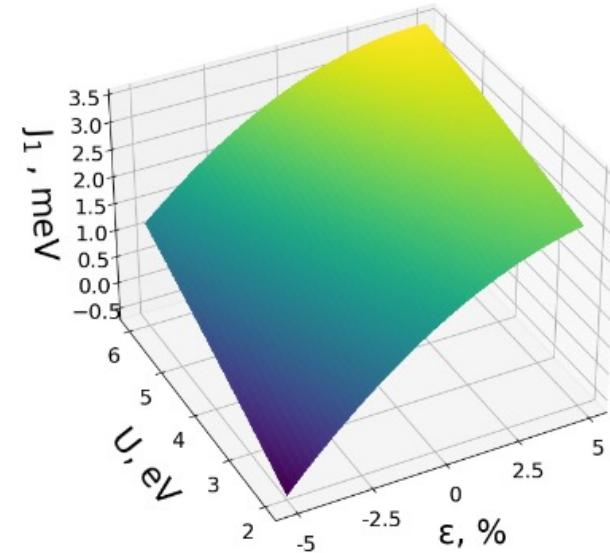
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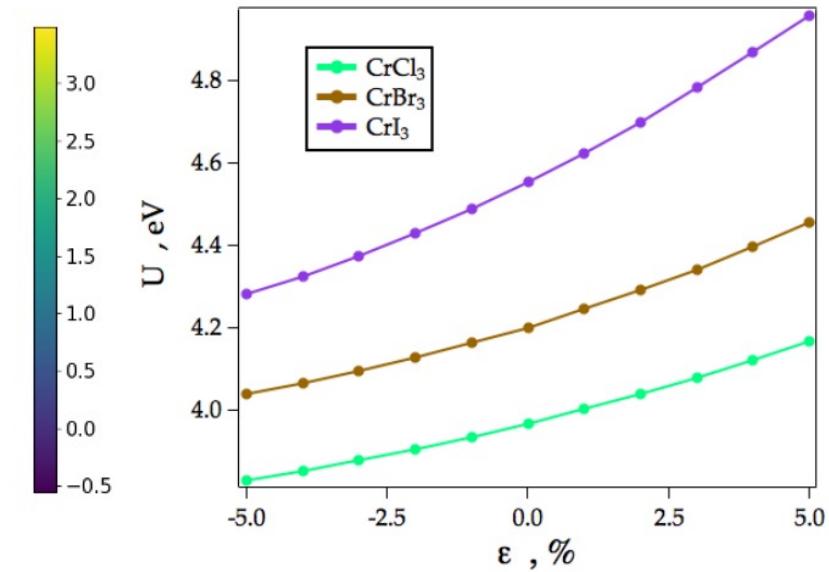
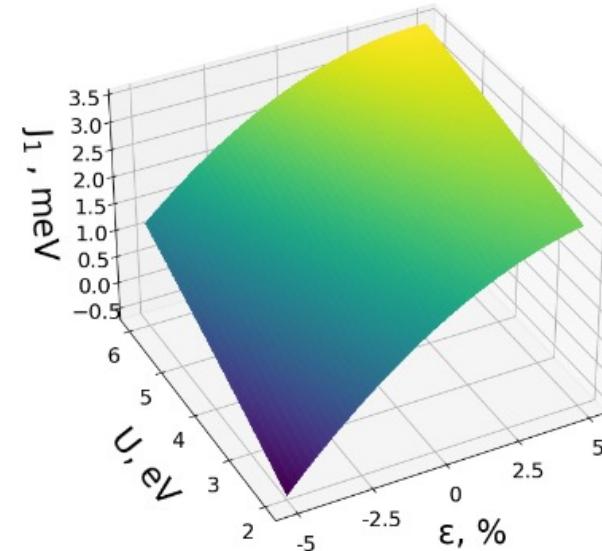


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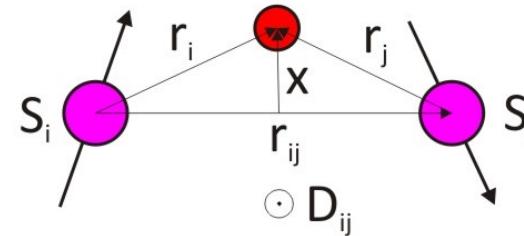
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- In absence of DMI (antisymmetric exchange), there is no gap



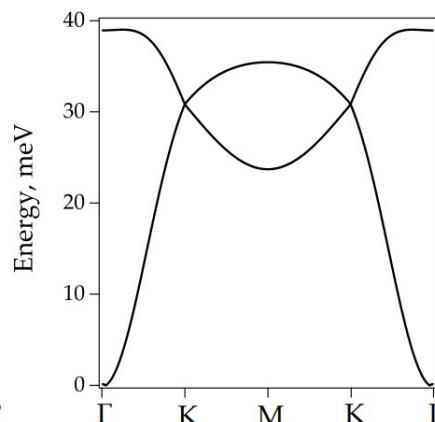
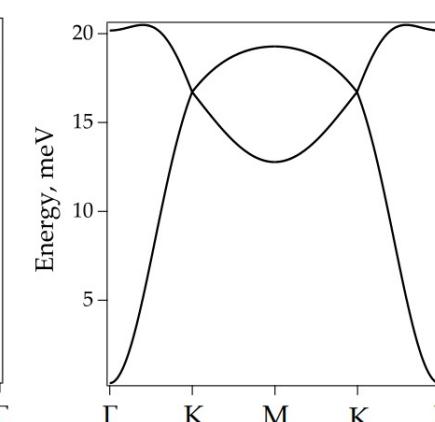
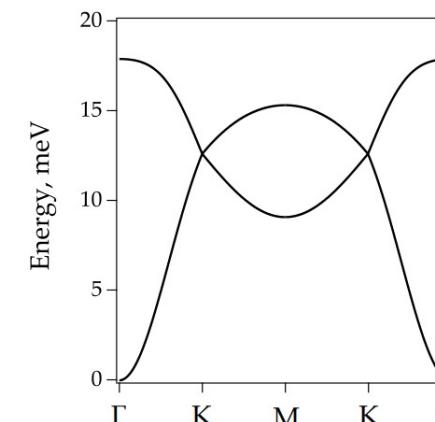
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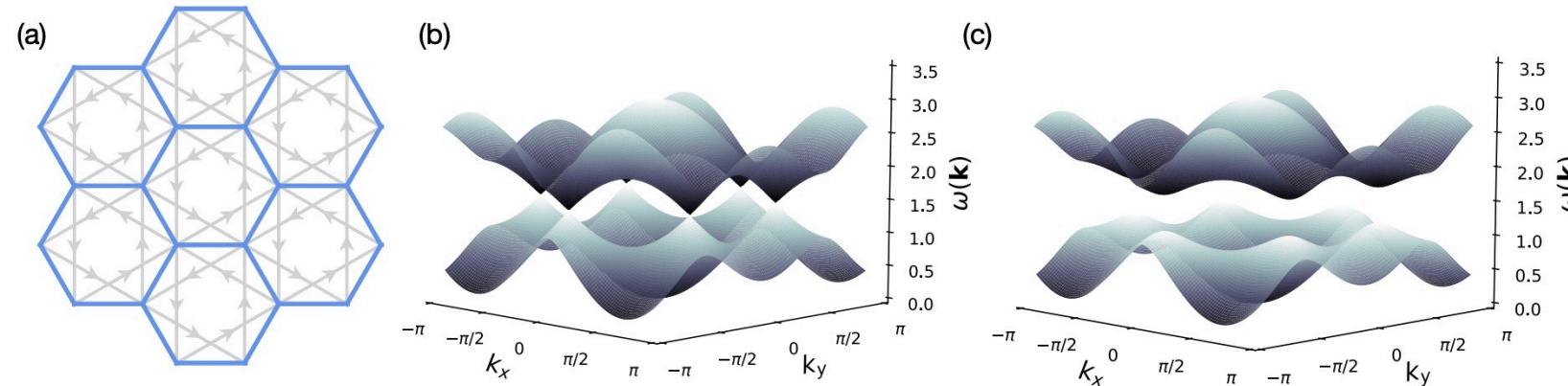
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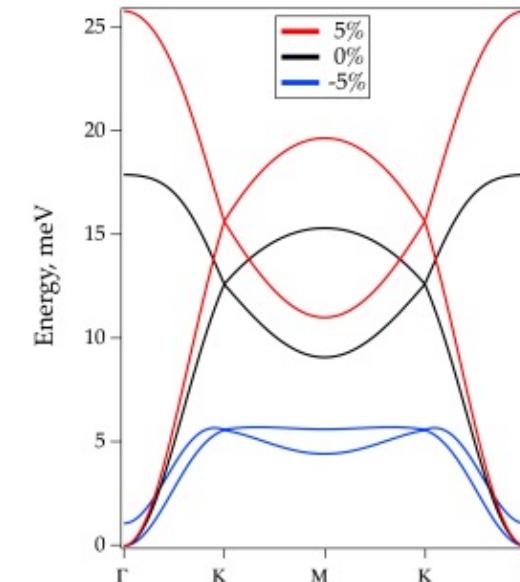
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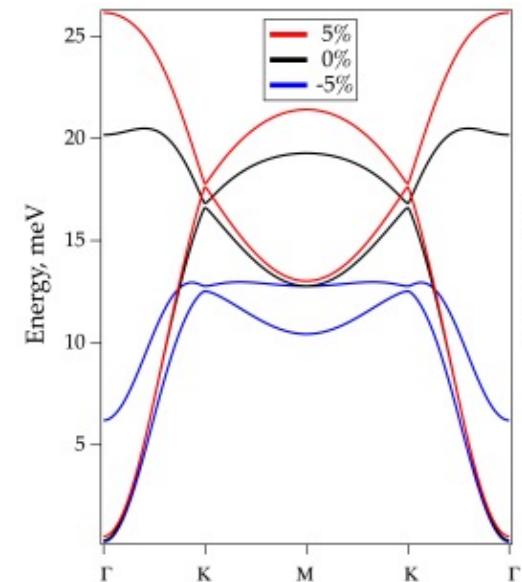
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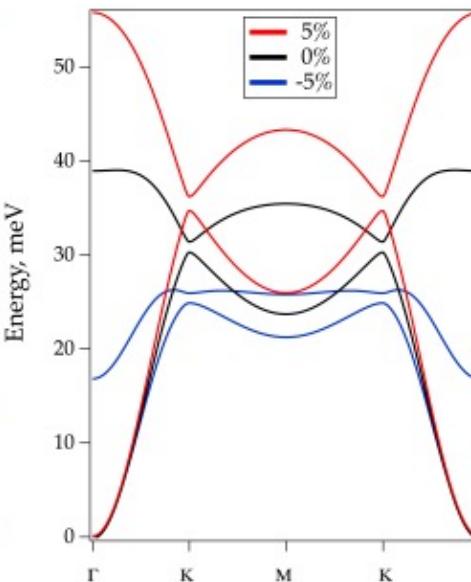
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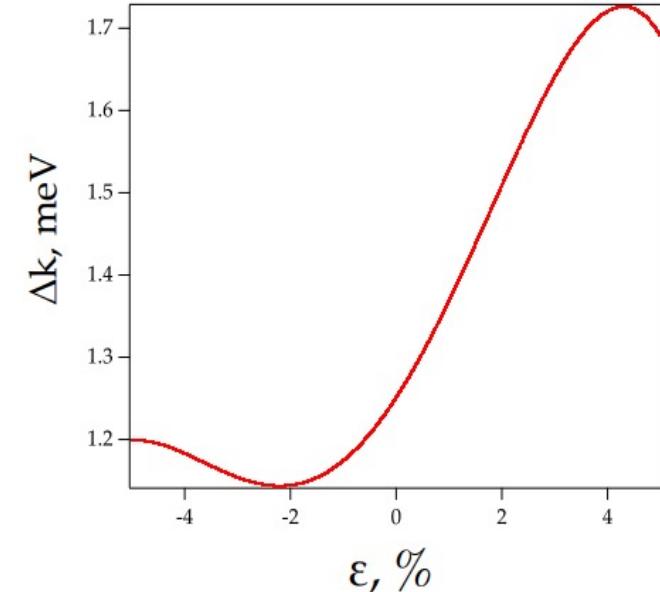
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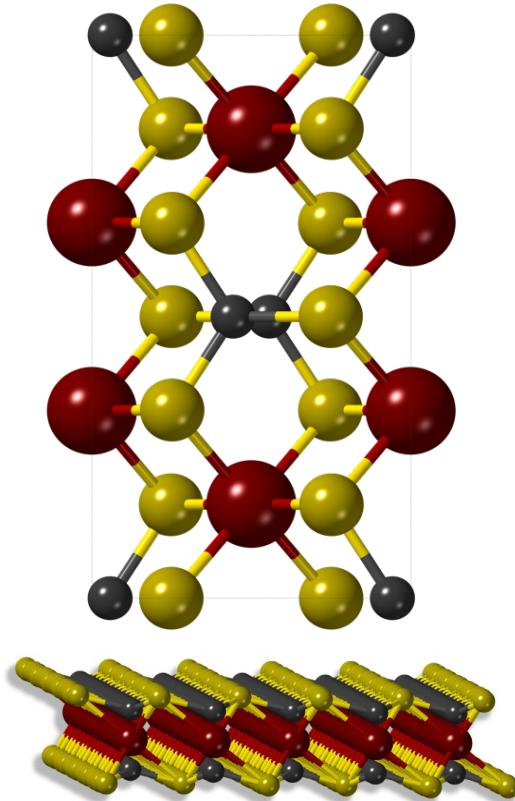
- DMI gaps out the Dirac points in the magnon dispersion of CrI<sub>3</sub> monolayer
- Strain engineering of DMI: enhancement of magnon gap (by 40 %)



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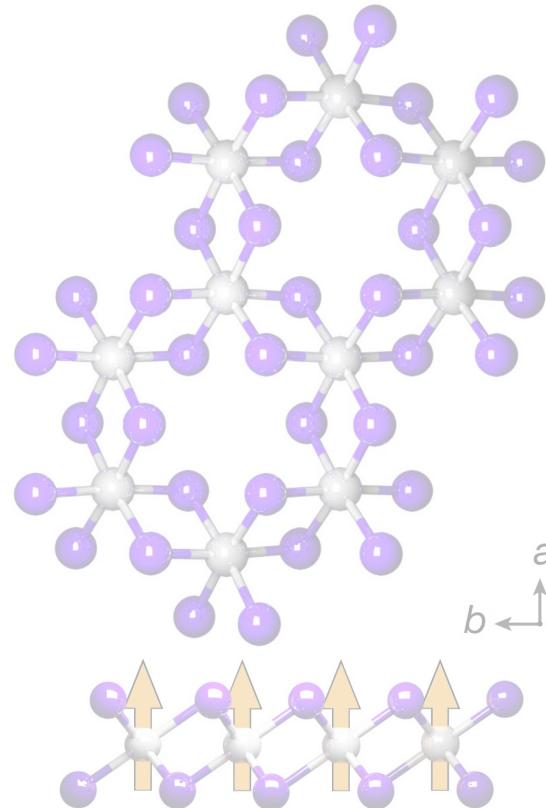
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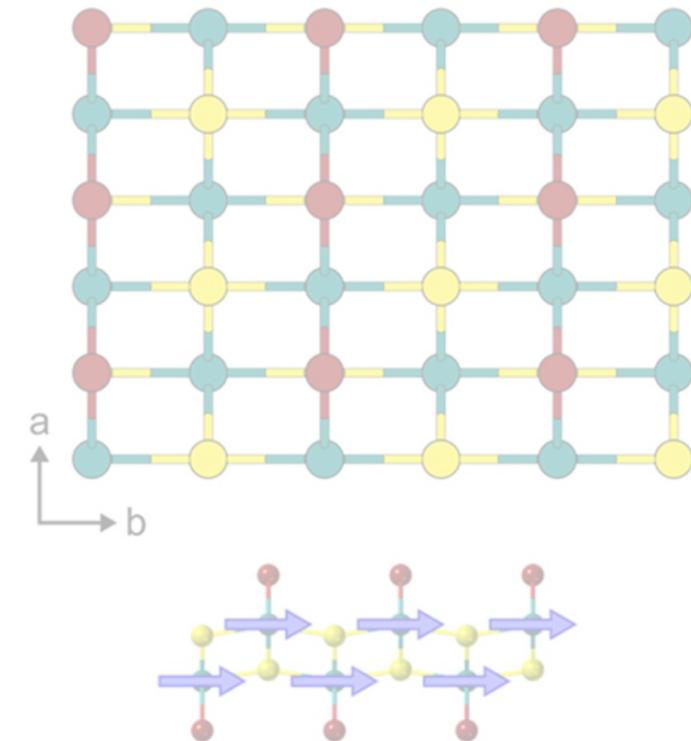
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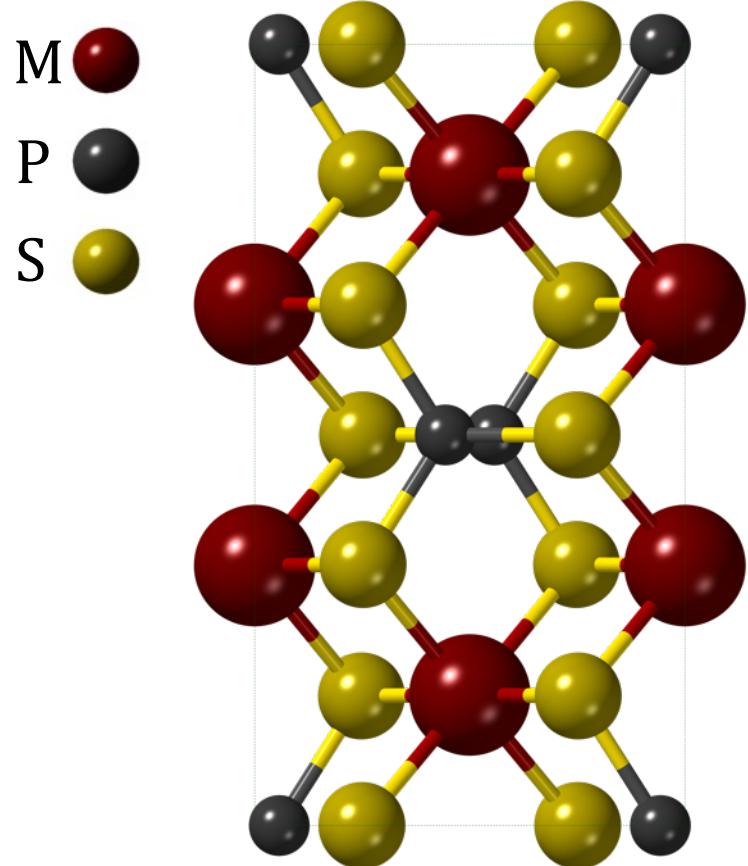
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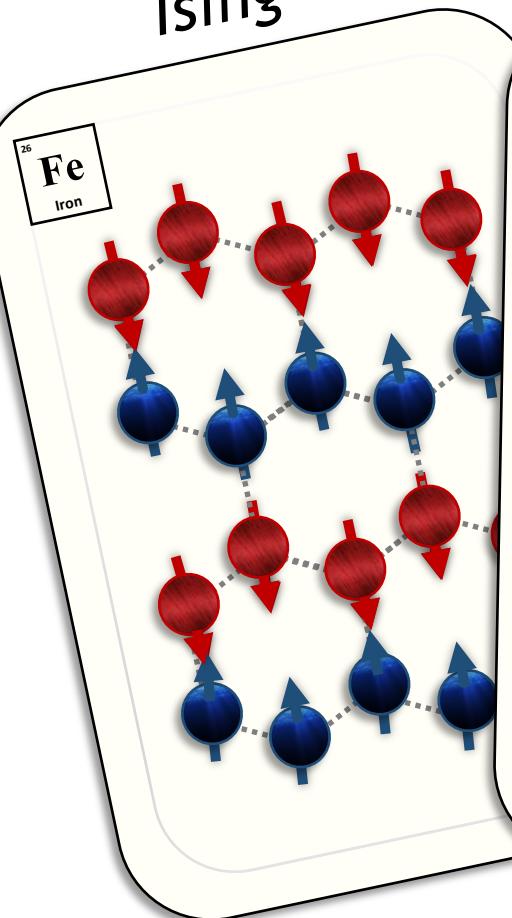
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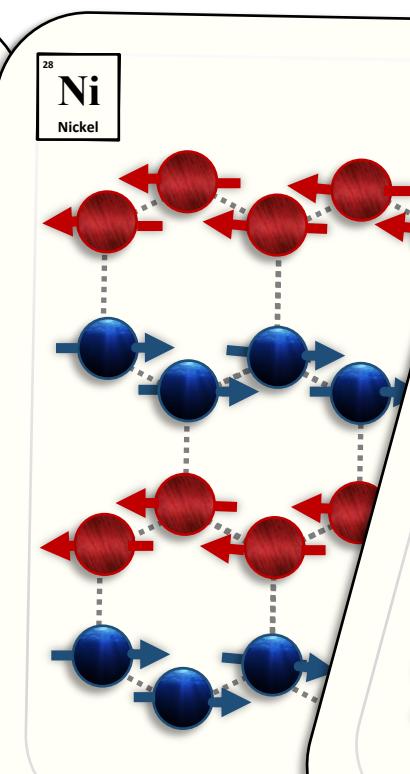
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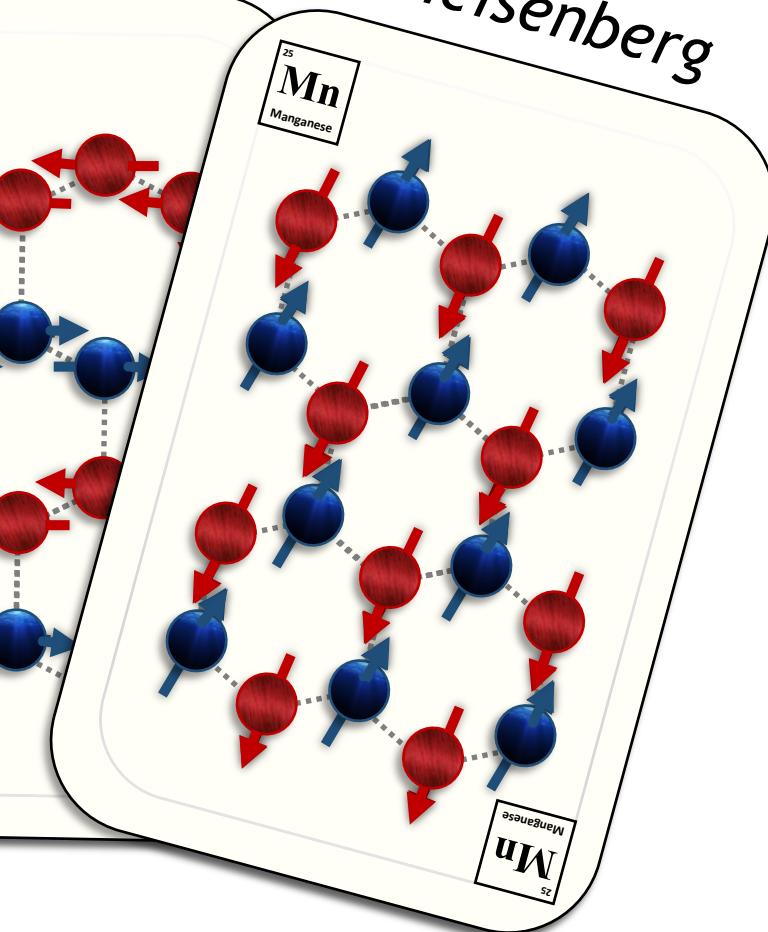
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# ARPES simulation of FePS<sub>3</sub>



Valence band electronic structure of the van der Waals antiferromagnet FePS<sub>3</sub>

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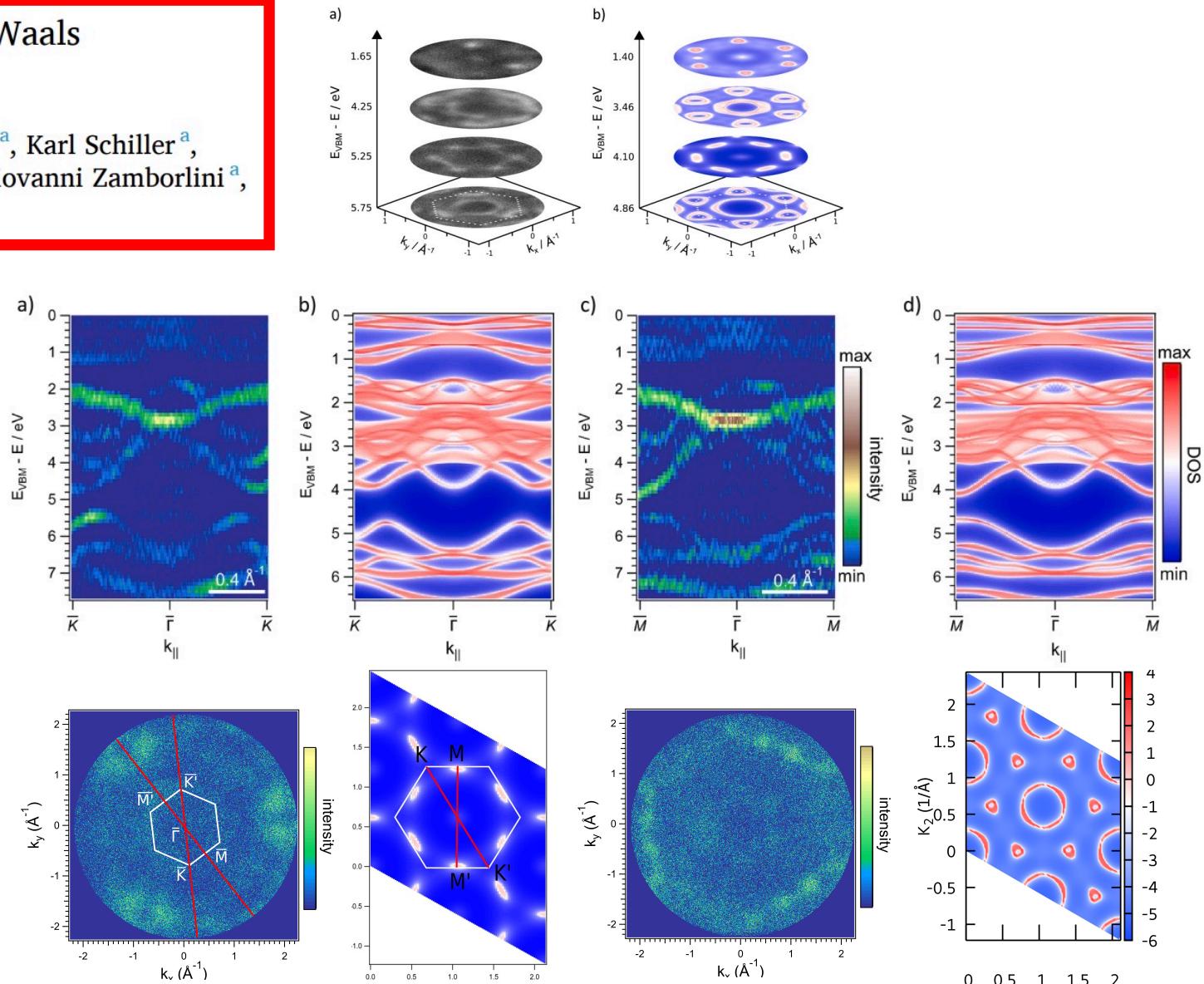


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- Exp. vs theo. momentum maps for various energies
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# Spontaneous magnetostriiction in $\text{MPS}_3$



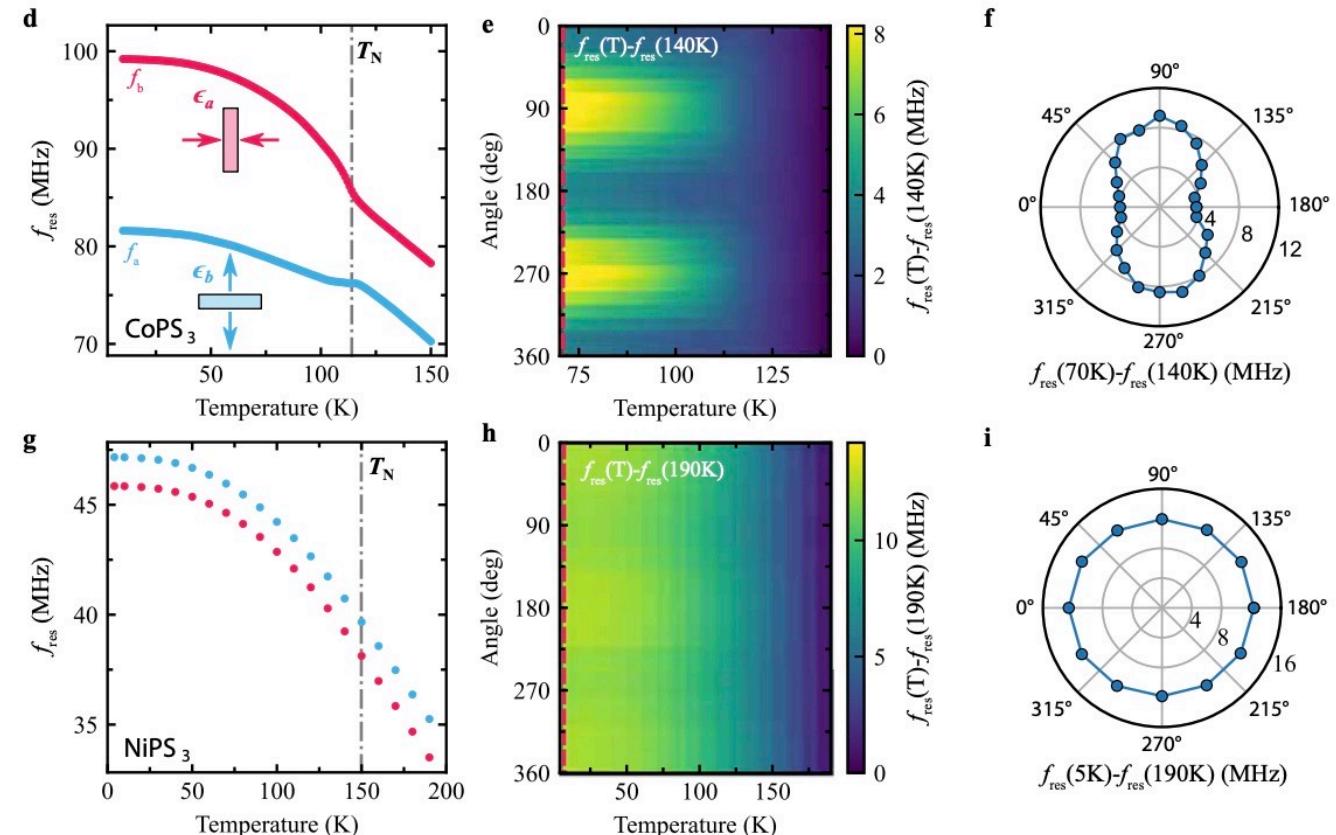
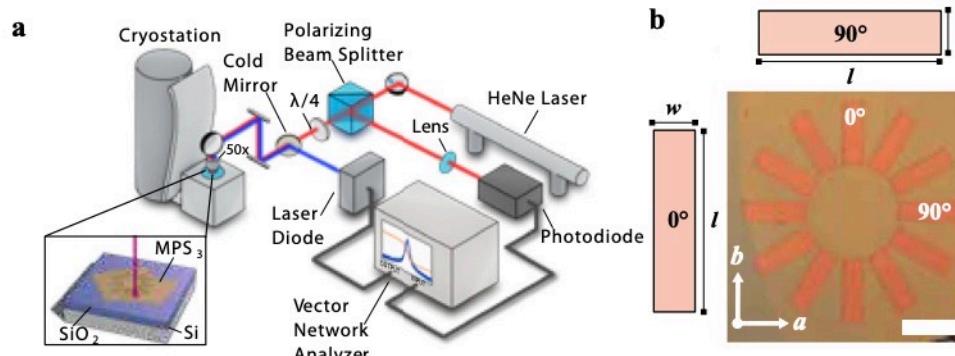
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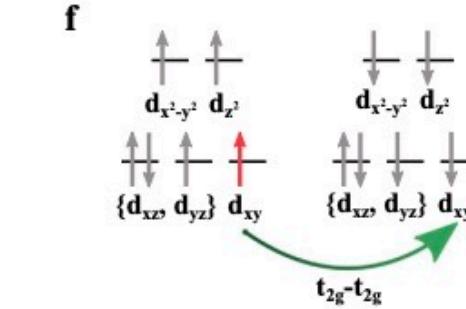
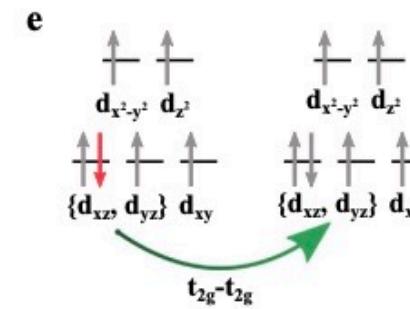
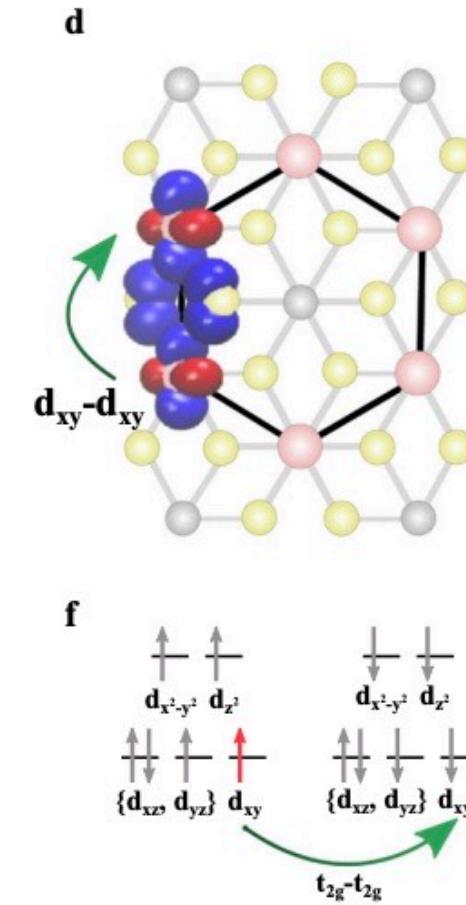
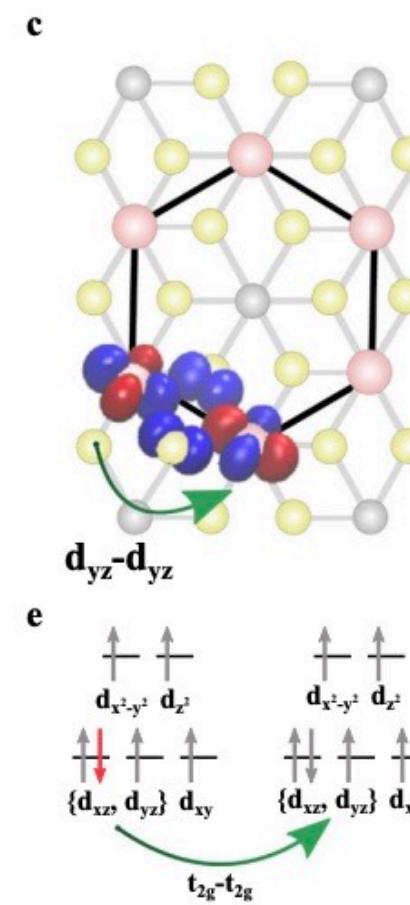
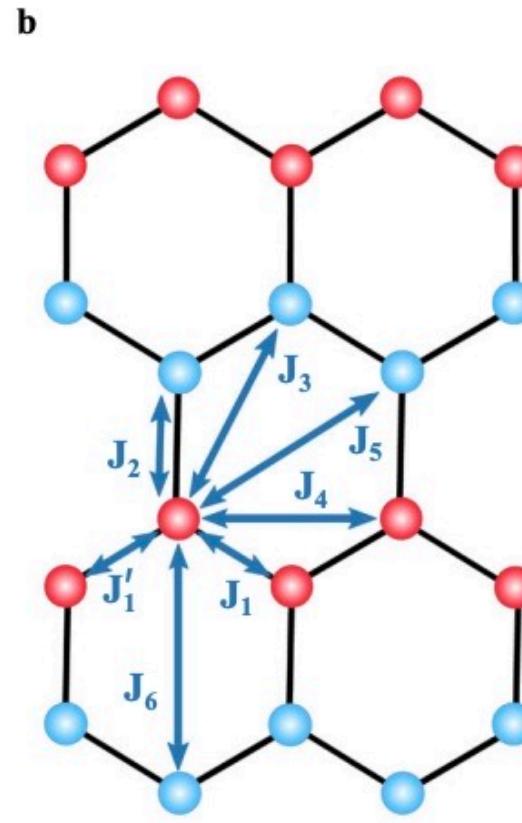
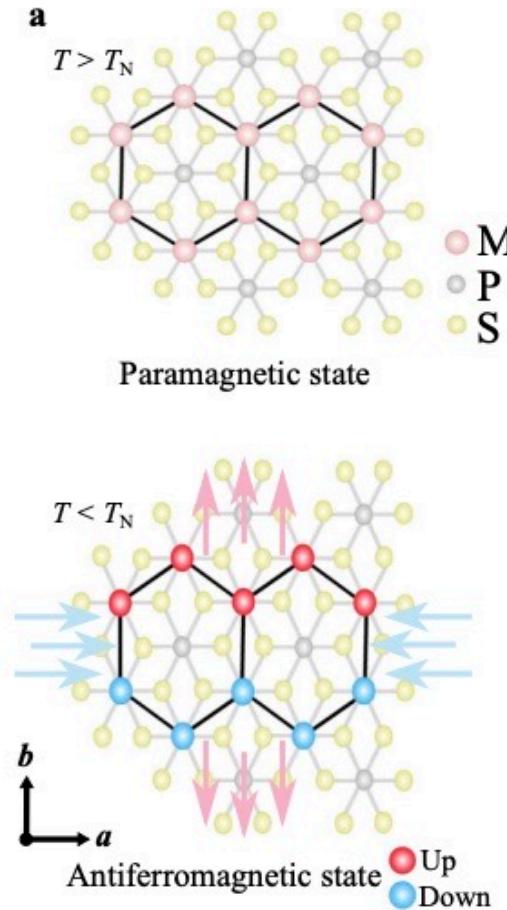
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Lattice parameter ( $\text{\AA}$ )	$a$	$b$	$a$	$b$	$a$	$b$
NM	5.895	10.19	5.947	10.301	5.812	10.07
AF-zigzag	5.745	10.231	5.868	10.338	5.817	10.061
Change (%)	-2.545	+0.402	-1.328	+0.359	+0.086	-0.089

# Magnetic structure & electron configuration



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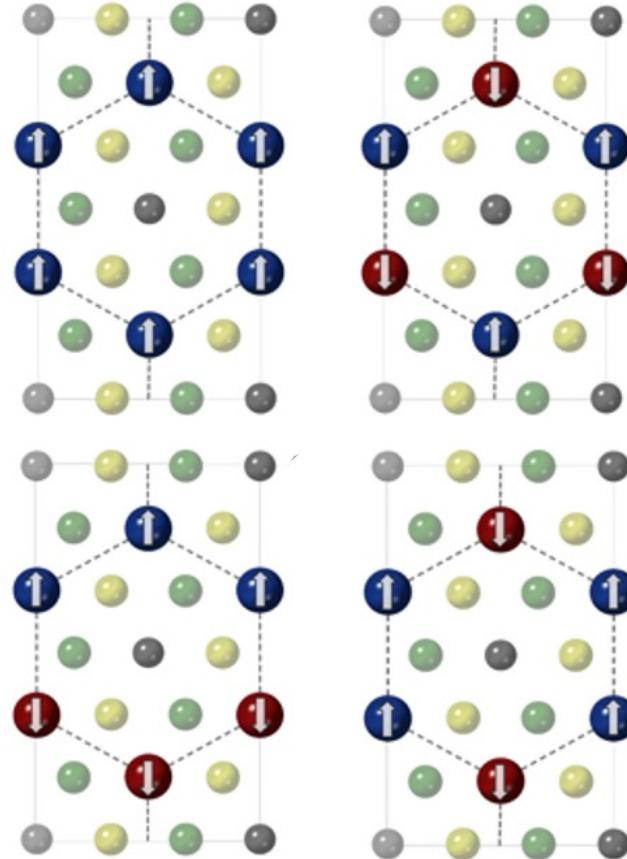
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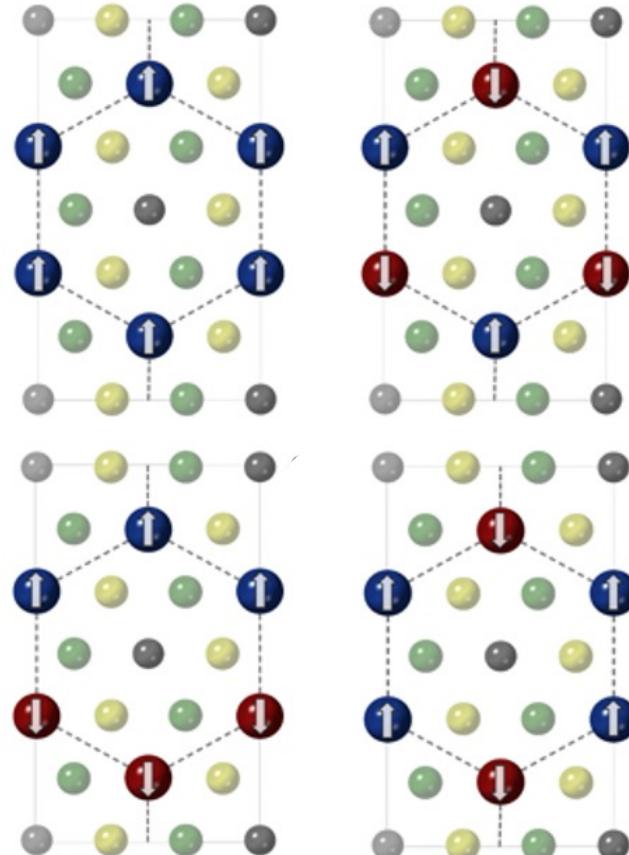
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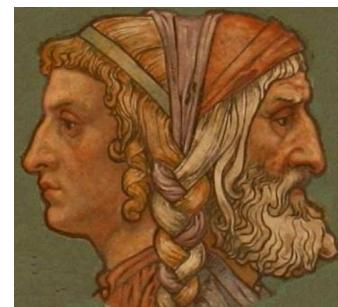
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AFM-Zigzag	7.90	6.99	0.00	0.00
AFM-Stripy	4.24	7.25	41.64	52.38
MAE	-67.55	-355.52	-97.48	414.29



Change of magnetic easy axis from **in-plane** ( $\text{NiPS}_3$ ) to **out-of-plane** ( $\text{Ni}_2\text{P}_2\text{S}_3\text{Se}_3$ )



Drastic enhancement of **magnetic anisotropy** (induced broken inversion symmetry)

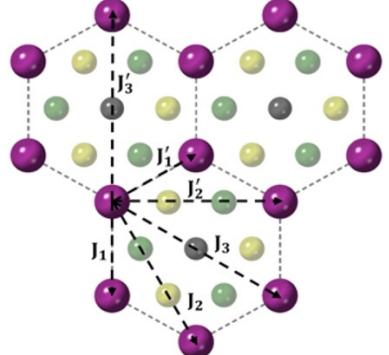
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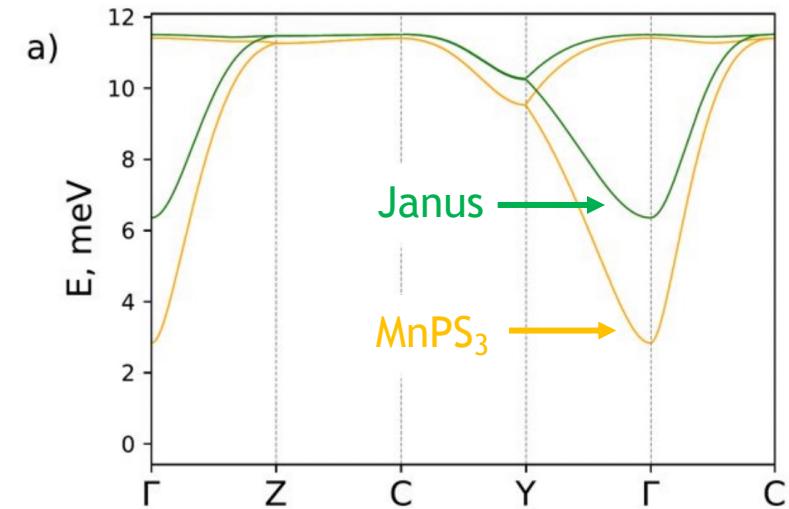
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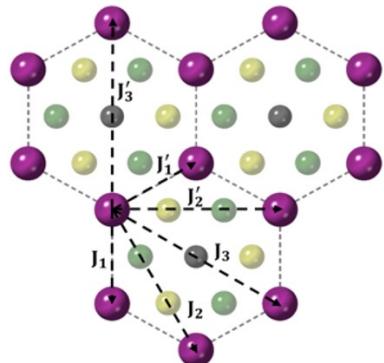
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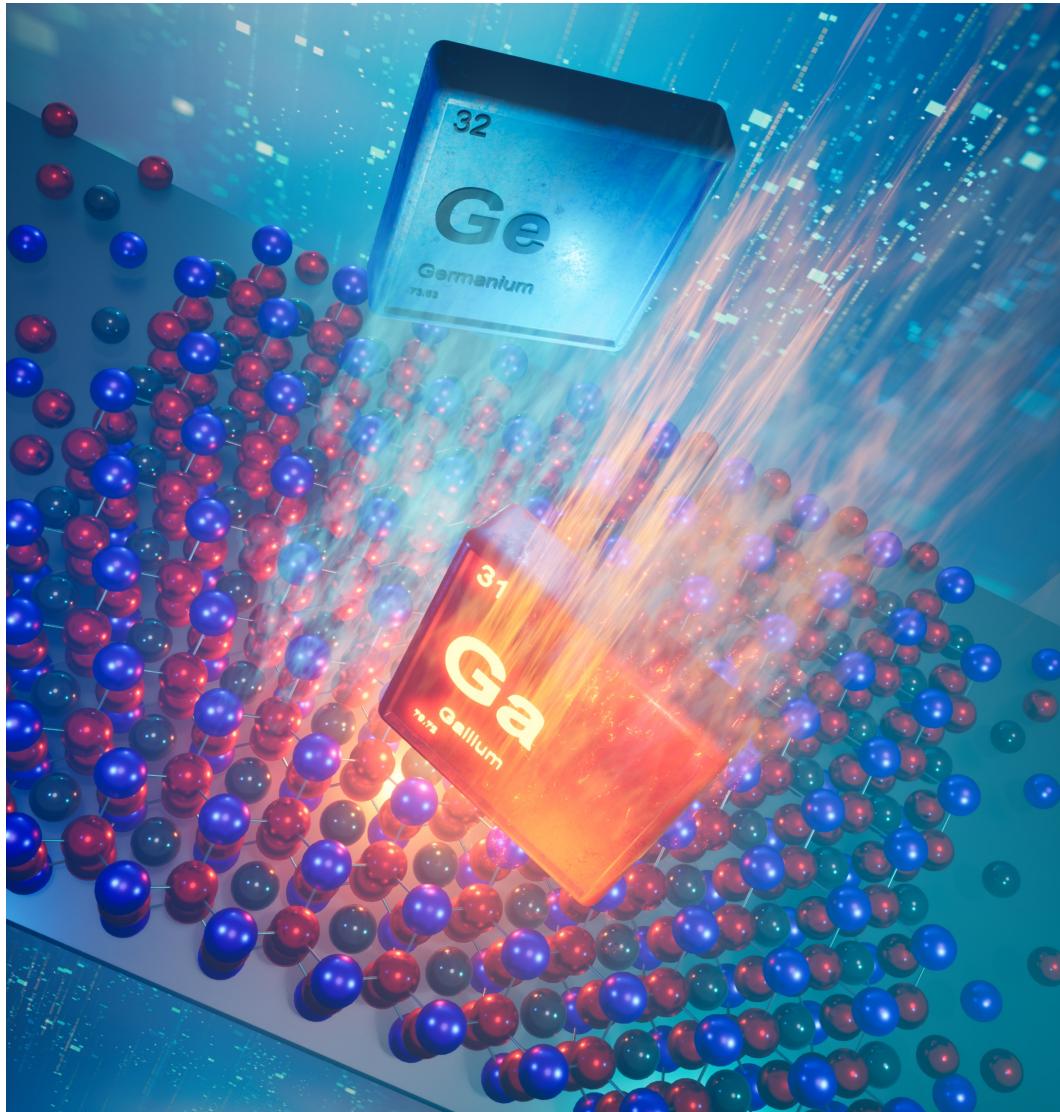
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Altermagnets (AM) are a recently discovered third class of collinear magnets, distinctly different from conventional ferromagnets (FM) and antiferromagnets (AF) [1–3]. AM have been actively researched in the last few years, but two aspects so far remain unaddressed: (1) Are there realistic 2D single-layer altermagnets? And (2) is it possible to functionalize a conventional AF into AM by external stimuli? In this paper we address both issues by demonstrating how a well-known 2D AF, MnP(S,Se)<sub>3</sub>, can be functionalized into strong AM by applying out-of-plane electric field. Of particular interest is that the induced altermagnetism is of a higher even-parity wave symmetry than expected in 3D AM with similar crystal symmetries. We confirm our finding by first-principles calculations of the electronic structure and magnetooptical response. We also propose that recent observations of the time-reversal symmetry breaking in the famous Fe-based superconducting chalcogenides, either in monolayer form[4] or in the surface layer[5–7], may be related not to an FM, as previously assumed, but to the induced 2D AM order. Finally, we show that monolayer FeSe can simultaneously exhibit unconventional altermagnetic time-reversal symmetry breaking and quantized spin Hall conductivity indicating possibility to research an intriguing interplay of 2D altermagnetism with topological and superconducting states within a common crystal-potential environment.

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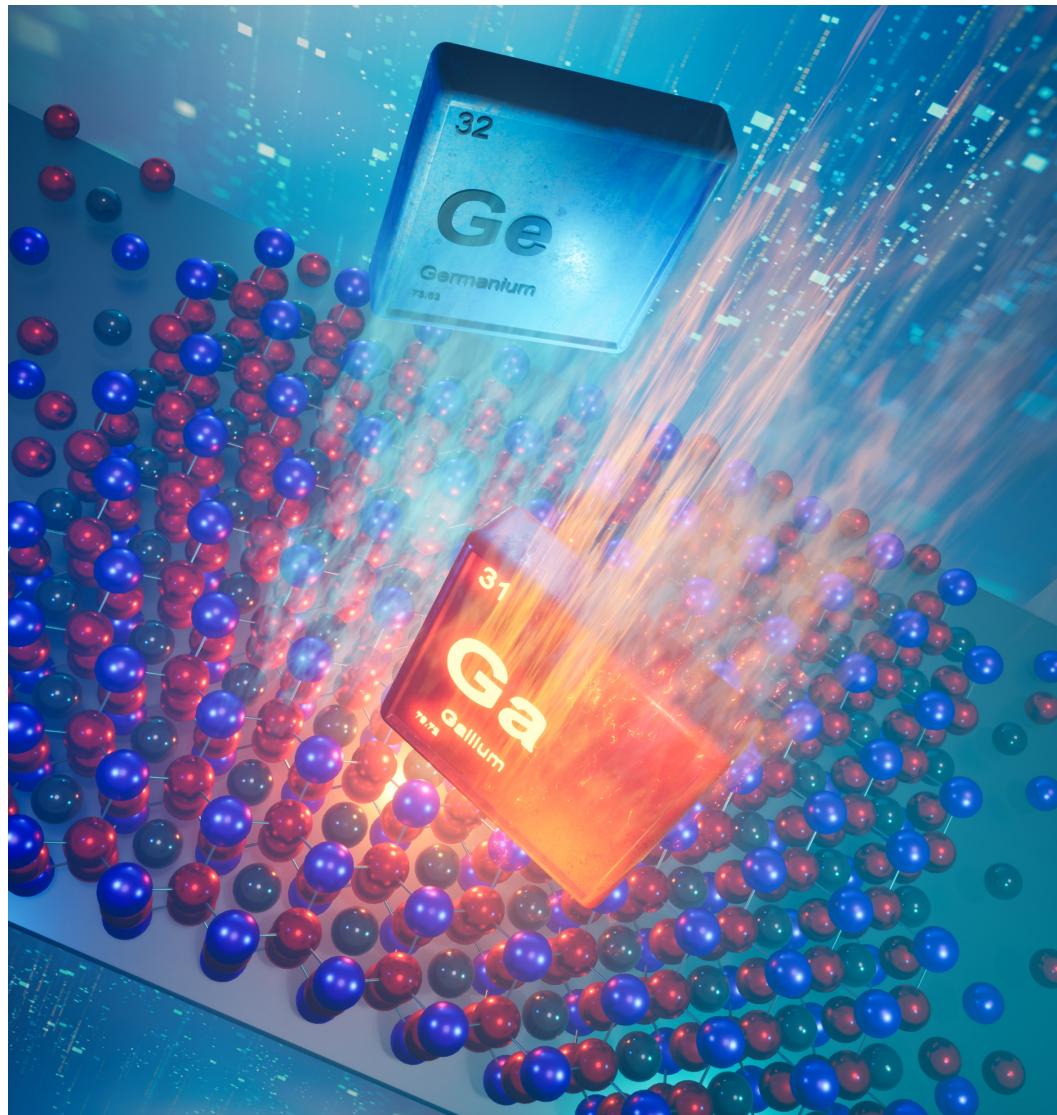
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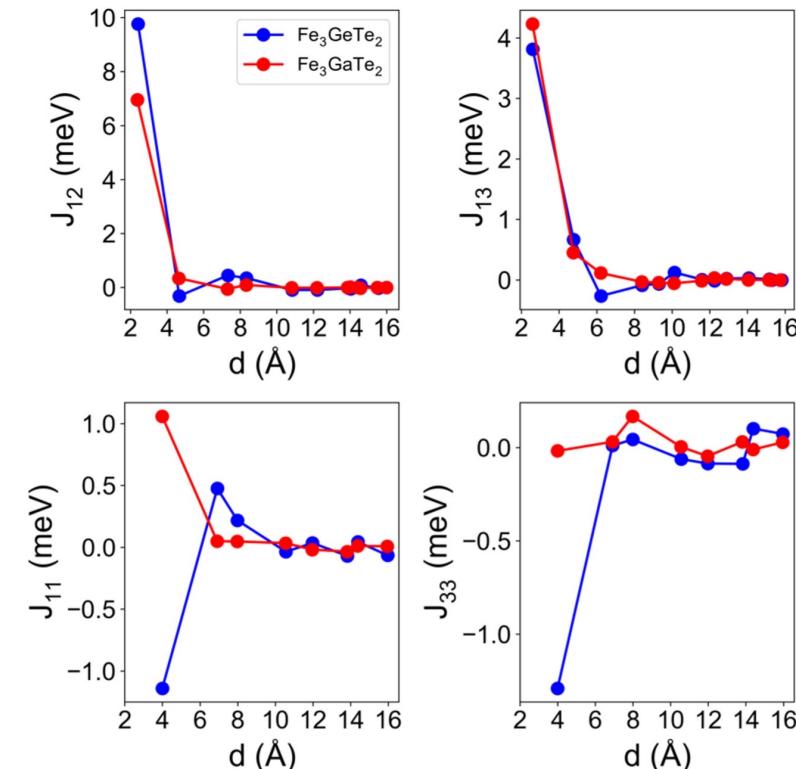
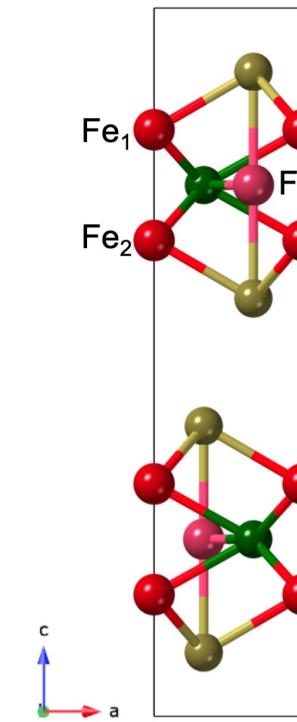
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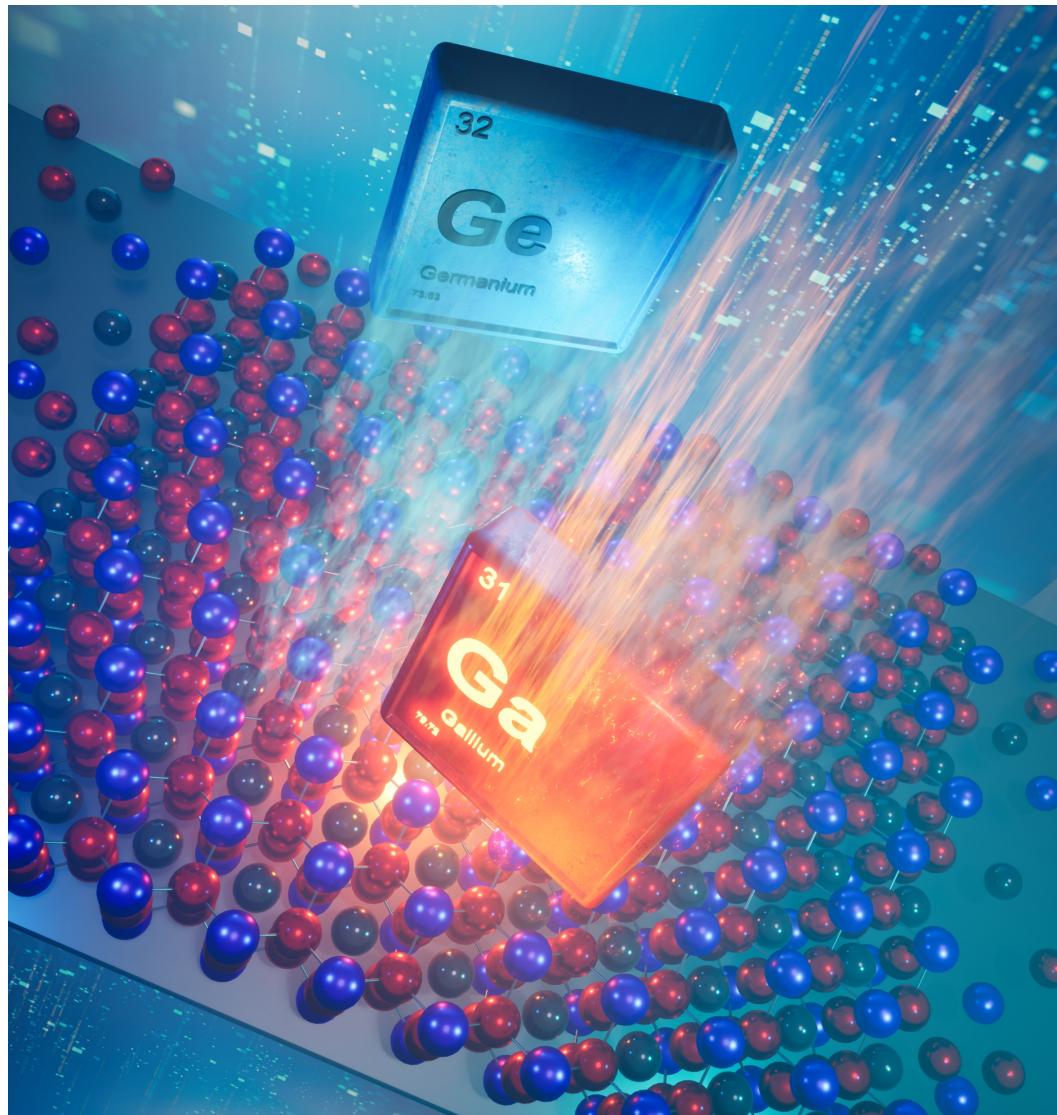


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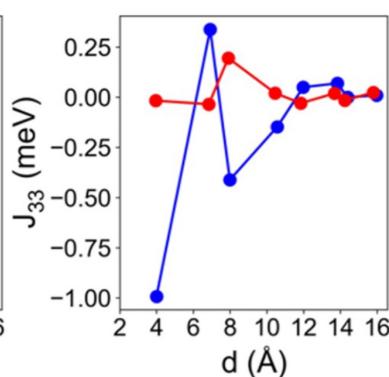
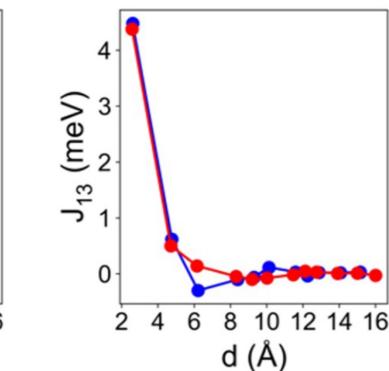
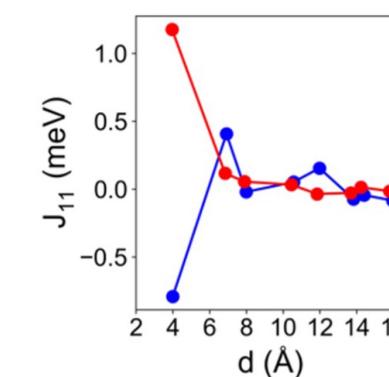
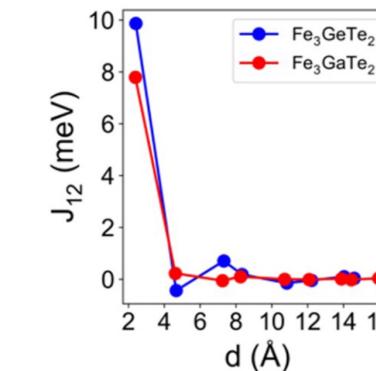
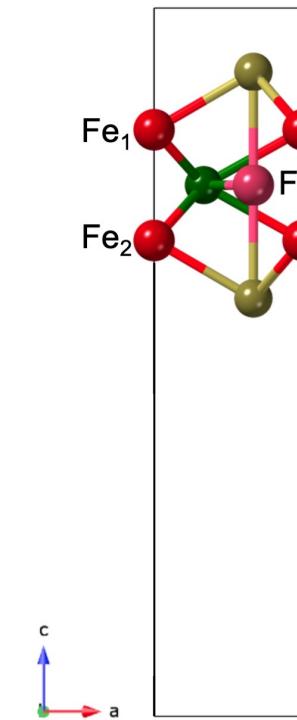


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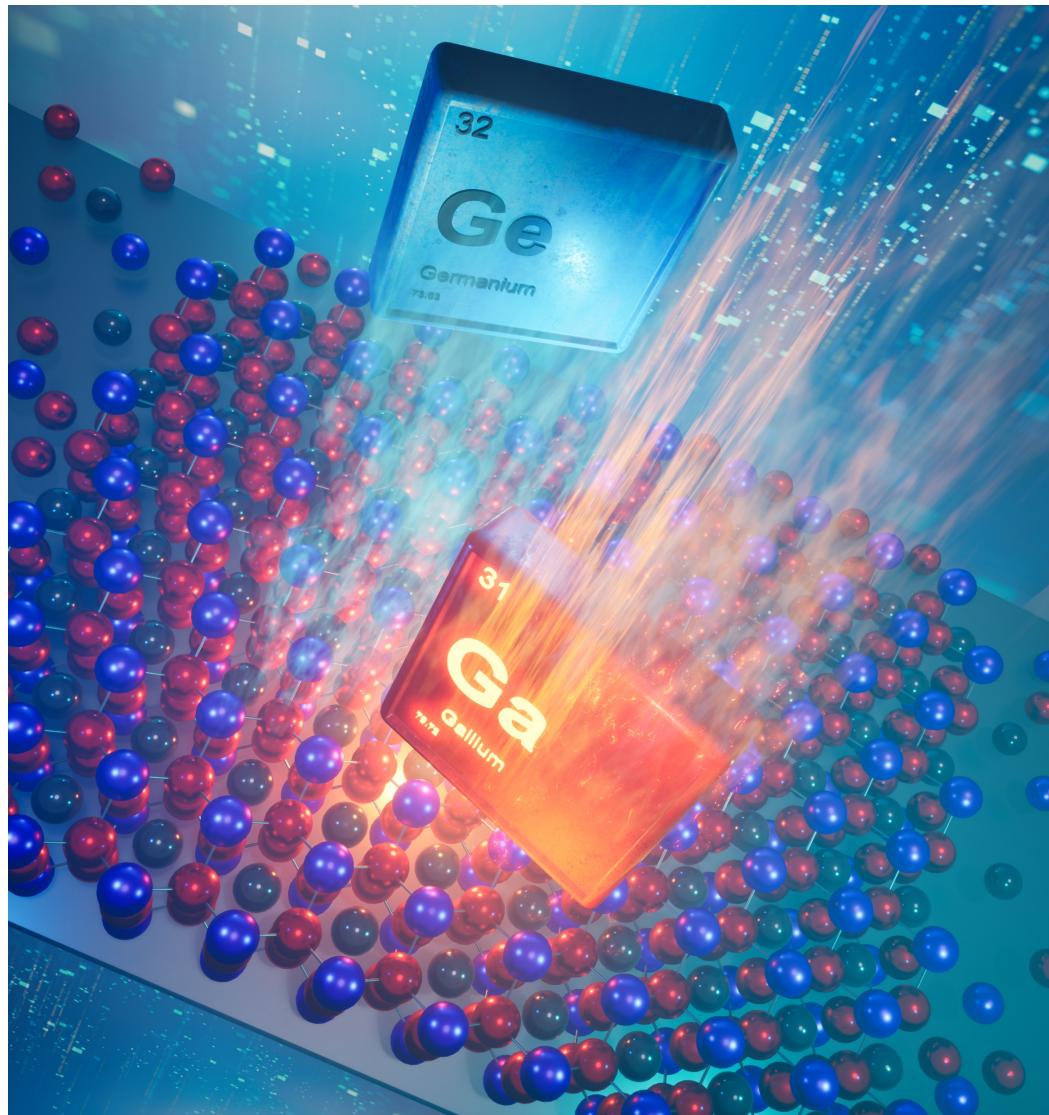


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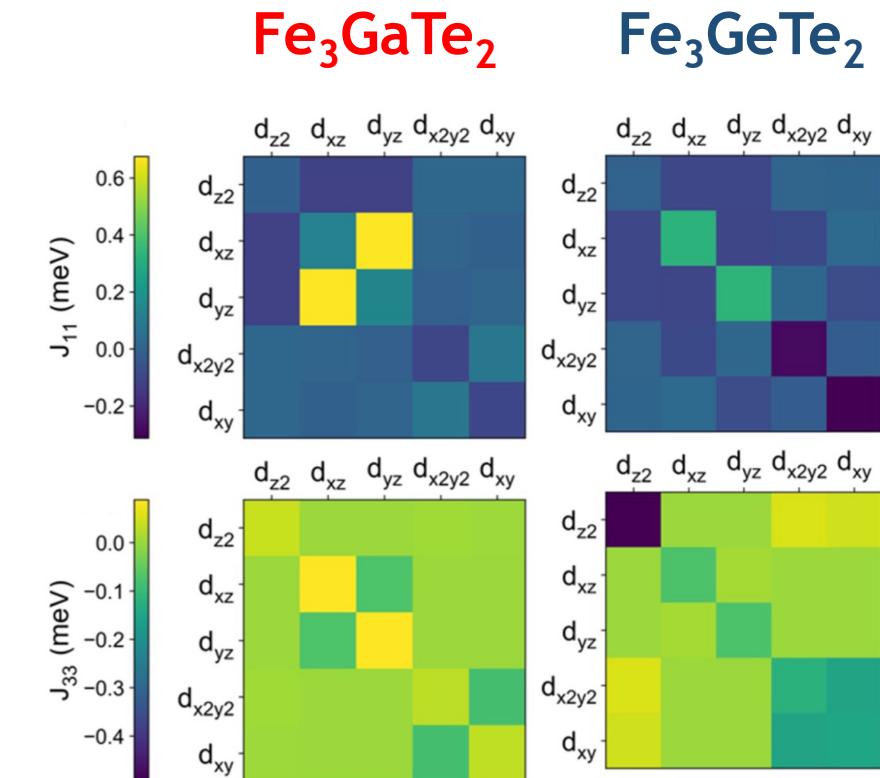
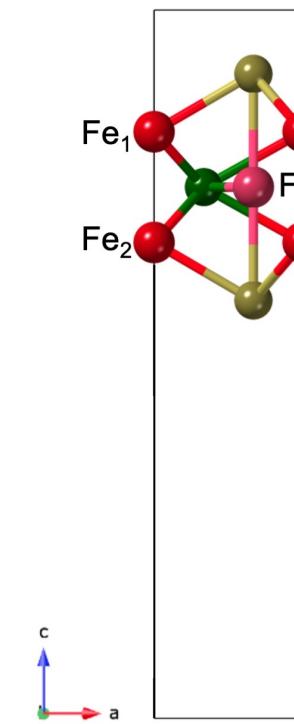
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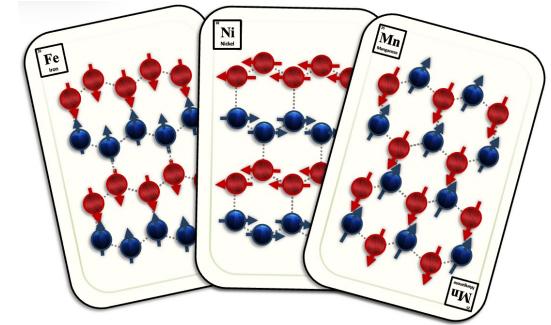
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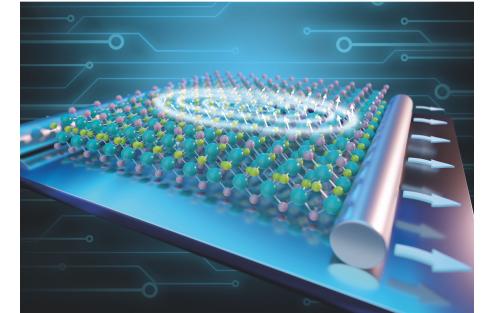
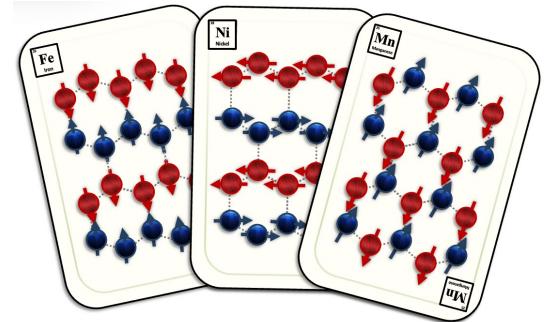
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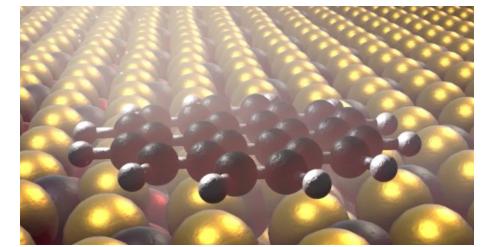
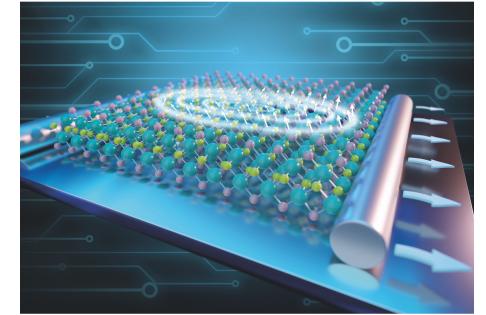
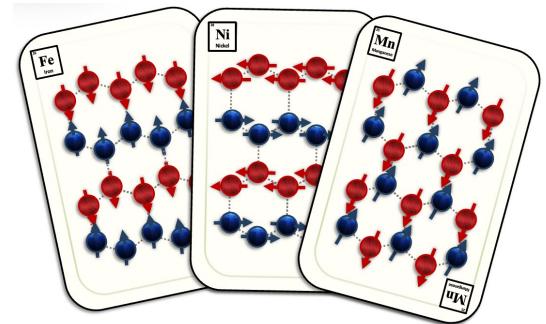
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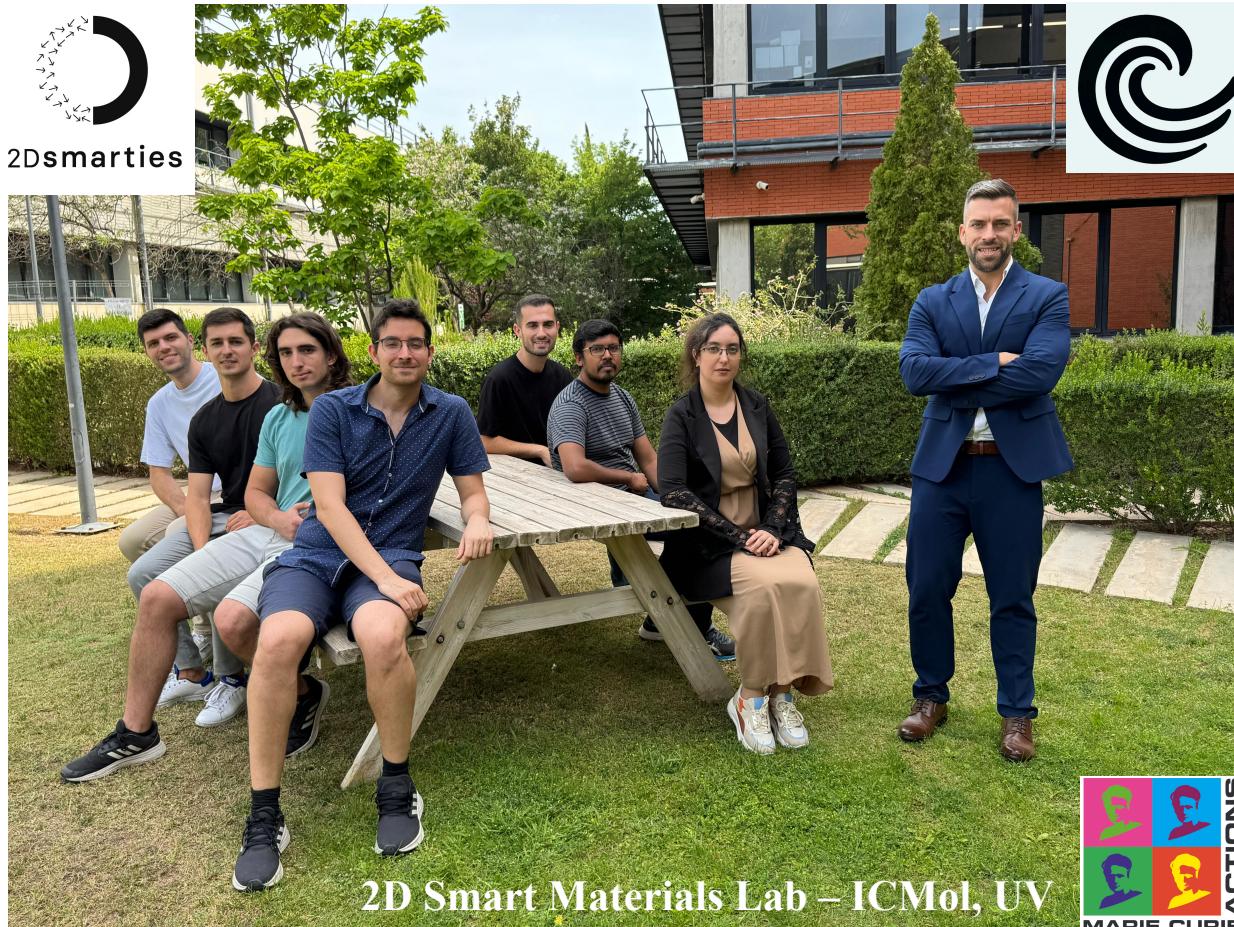
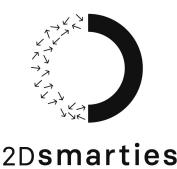
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