

Novel device behaviors at low dimensional heterojunctions in 2-D materials

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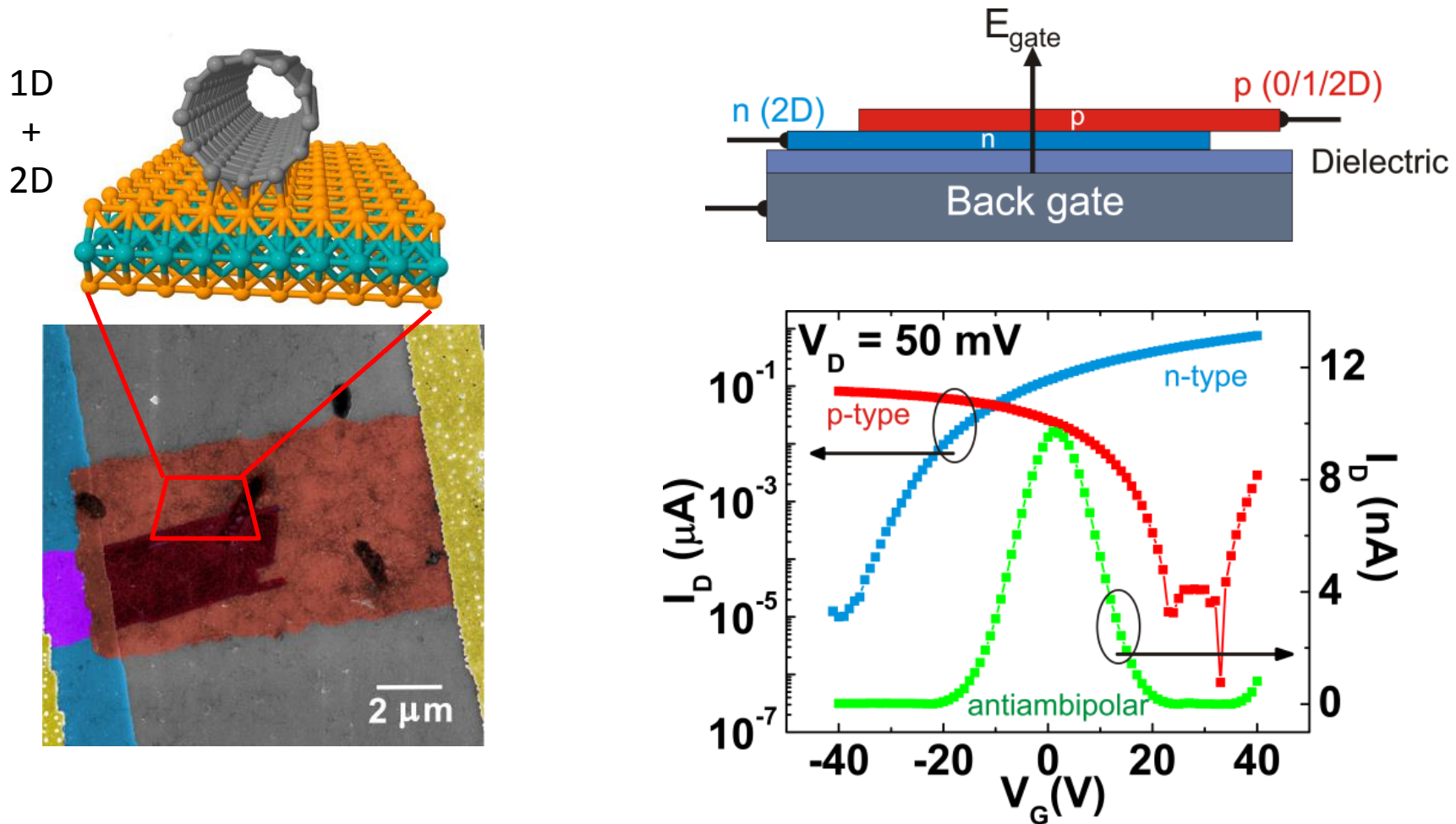
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2-D Geometry Produces New Functions

Hersam, Marks, Lauhon *et al*, *PNAS USA*, **110**, 18076 (2013).



Concept generalized in Hersam, Marks, Lauhon *et al*, *Nano Letters* **15**, 416 (2015).

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Spin

Mechanical

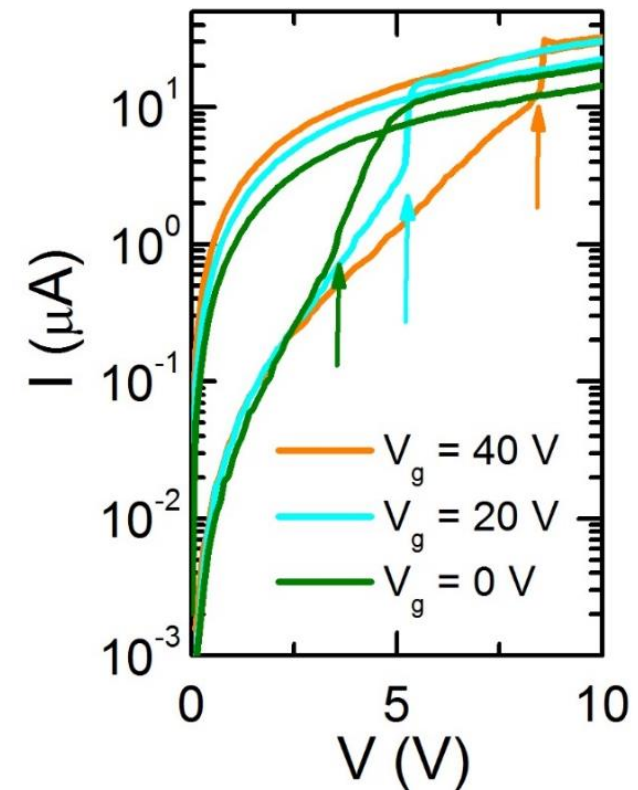
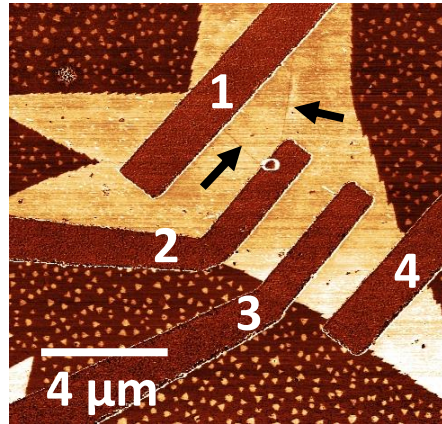
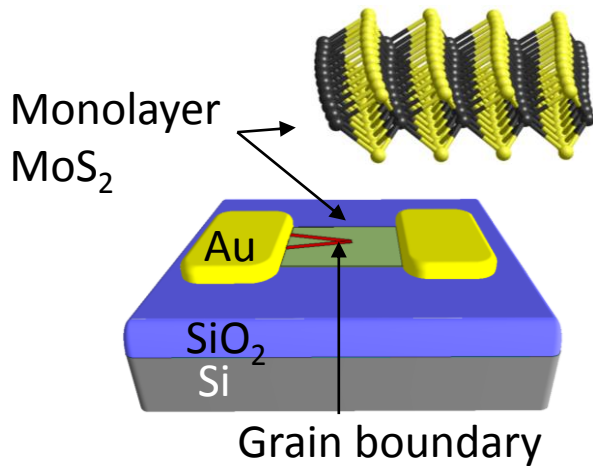
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Grain boundaries lead to memristive behavior

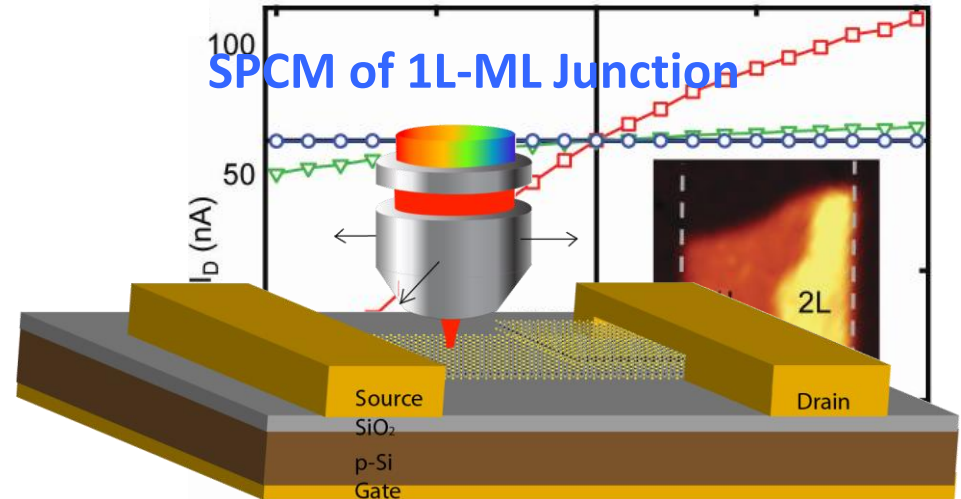
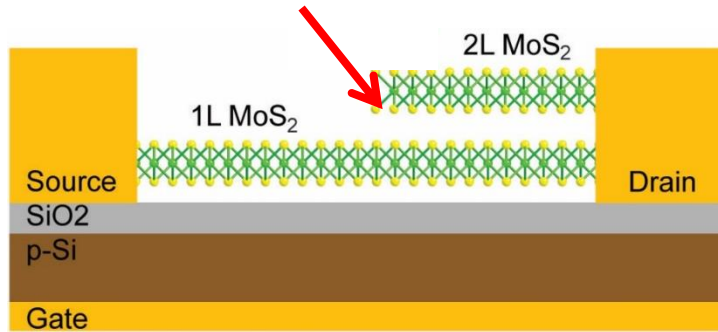
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- Hysteretic I-V curve with low and high resistance states \rightarrow memristor.
- Switching ratio (ON/OFF) $\sim 10^3$
- Observed in devices with grain boundaries *and* sulfur vacancies.

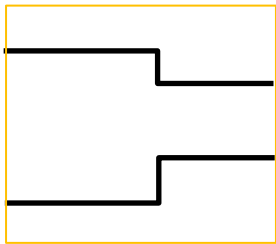
Unique opportunity for neuromorphic computing

A new type of heterojunction in MoS₂

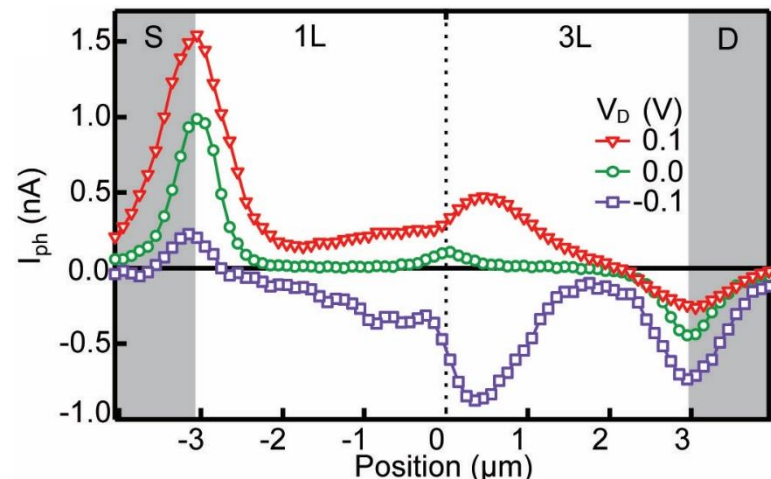
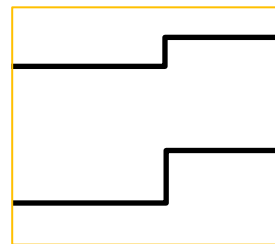


Thickness-dependent bandstructure results in fundamentally new type of semiconductor junction.

Type I

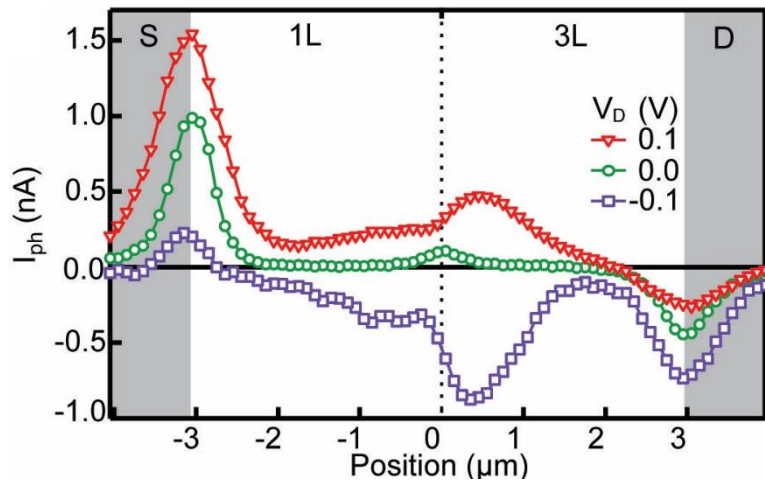


Type II



SPCM modeling extracts band profiles

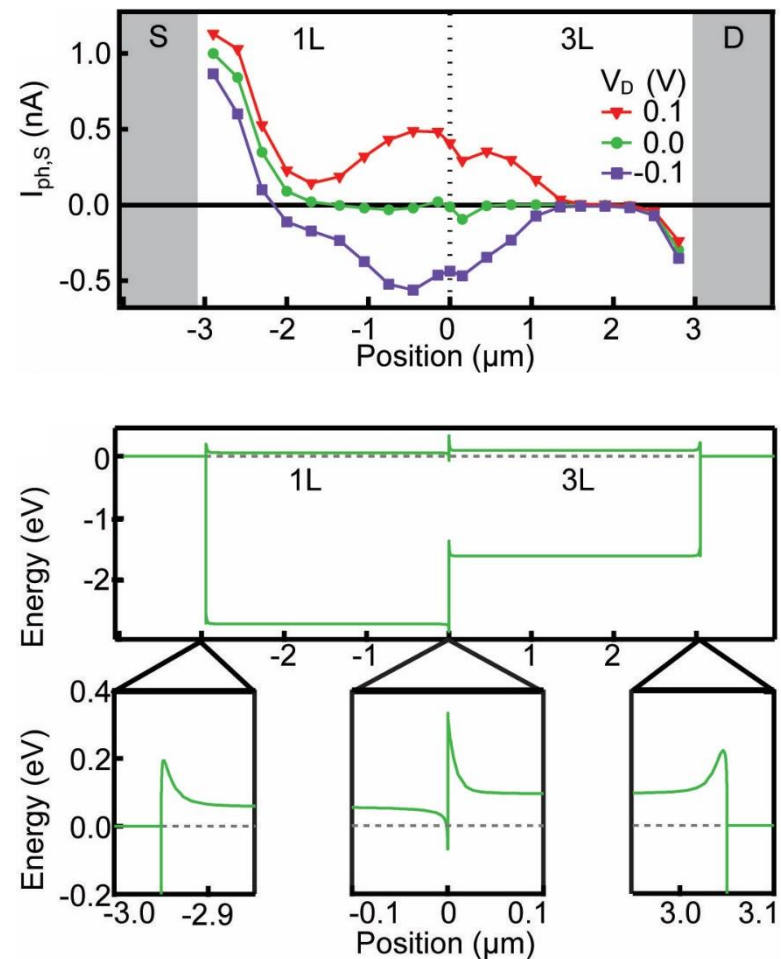
Measured



FE modeling based on material parameters determined from uniform thickness devices.

Simulations reproduce bias dependence assuming a type-2 band offset.

Simulated



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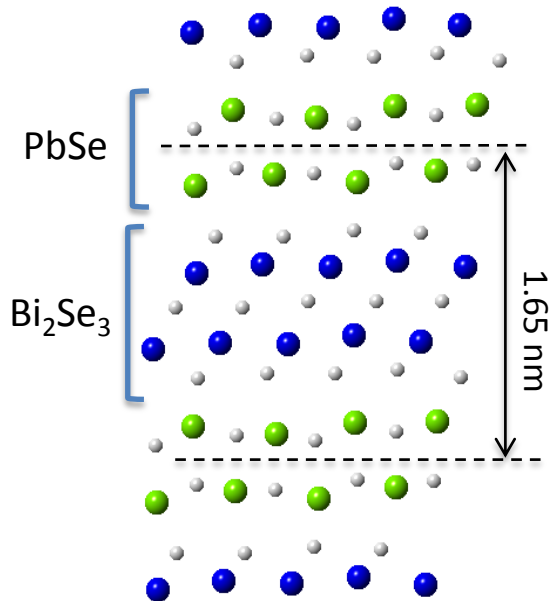
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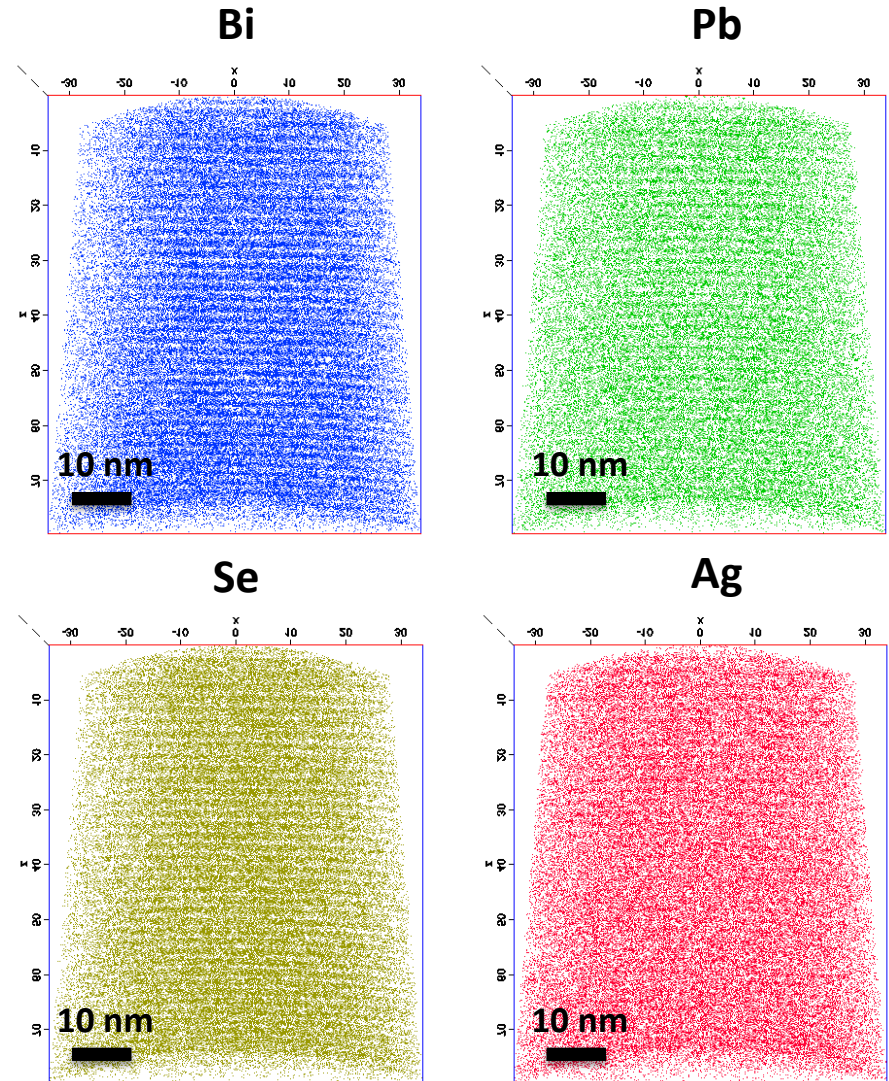
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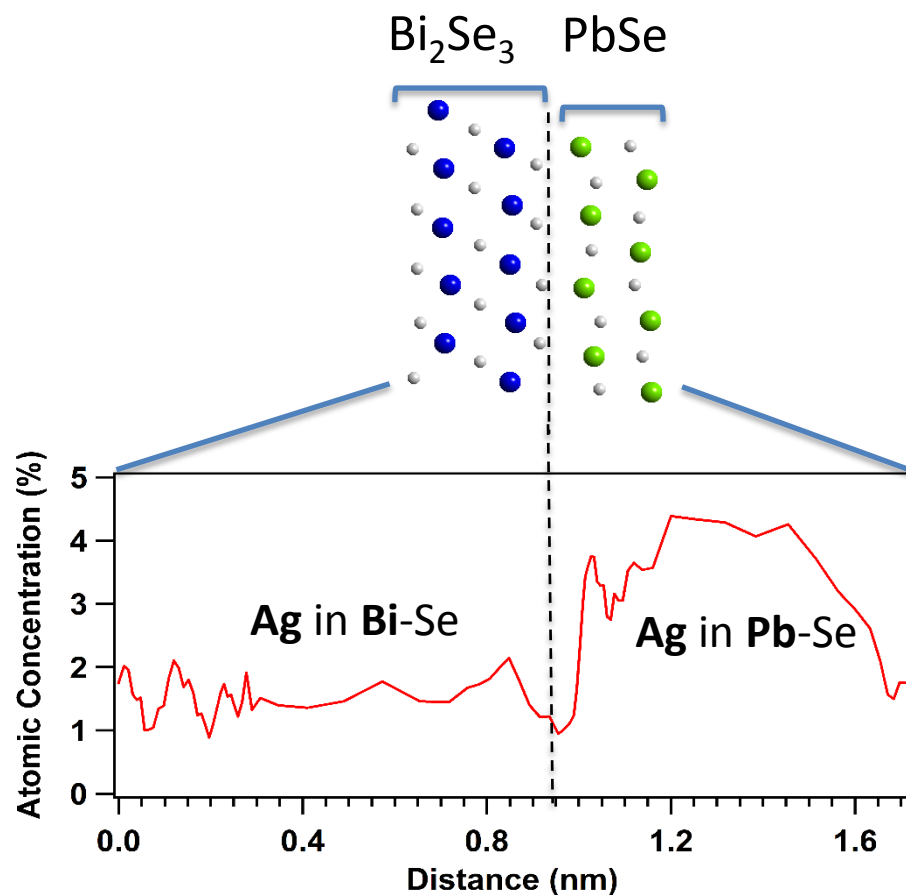
Atom Probe Tomography of a 2D Material: Ag doped $(\text{PbSe})_5(\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3)_{3m}$



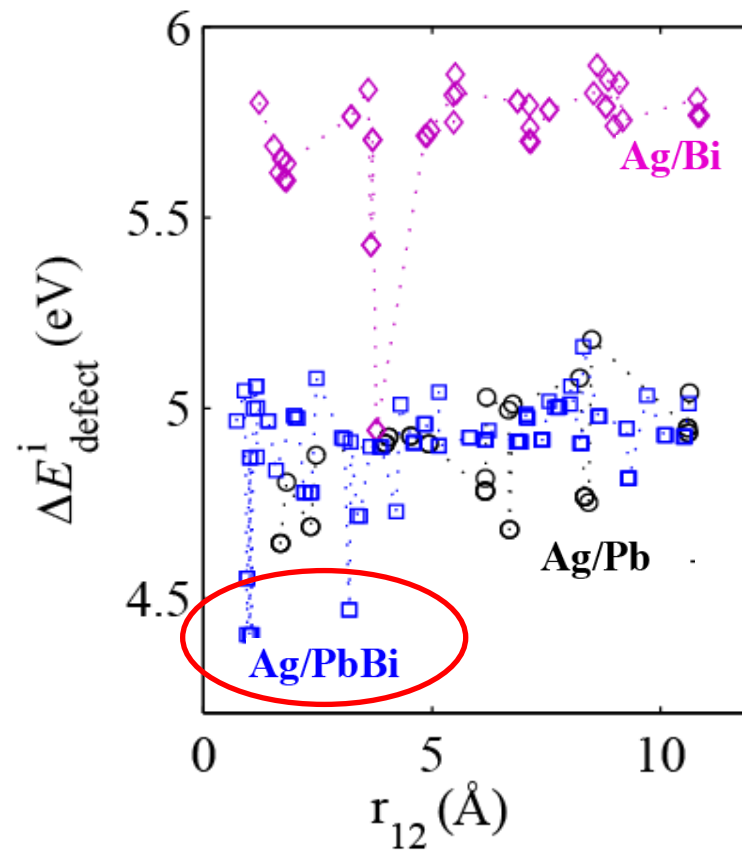
- Ag doping changes $m=1$ phase from metallic to superconducting.
- Ag is expected to dope only the PbSe layer. ***Can dopant location be resolved by APT?***



Atom probe shows Ag dopes both Pb and Bi layers



First Principles Calculations: Defect Formation Energies



Significance: Validation of ability to predict and measure dopant locations in 2-D materials.

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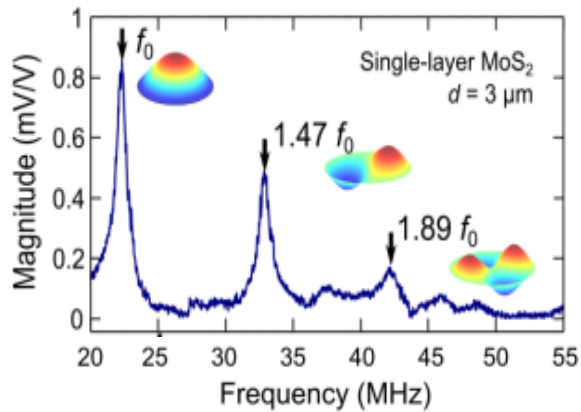
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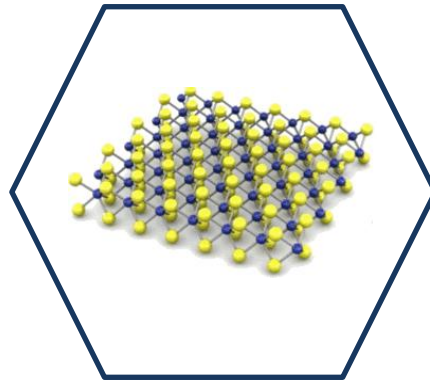
Mechanical Properties of MoS₂ Membranes

Sensitive to small forces

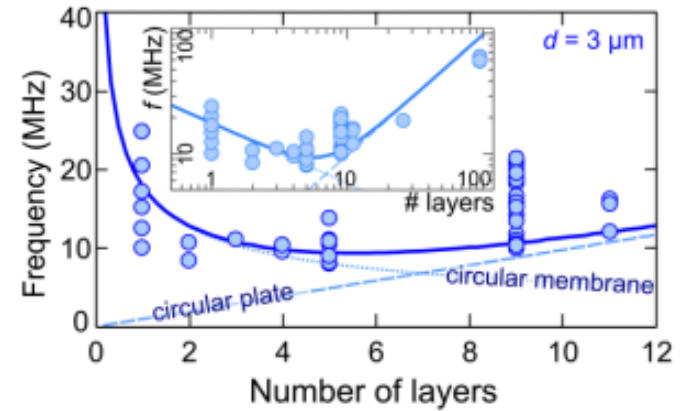


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$$f = \frac{2.4048}{\pi d} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\rho t}}$$

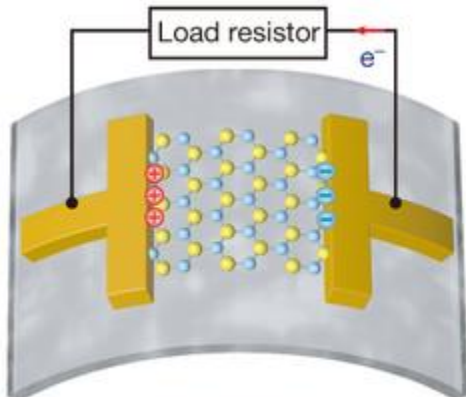


Membrane-like below ~6L



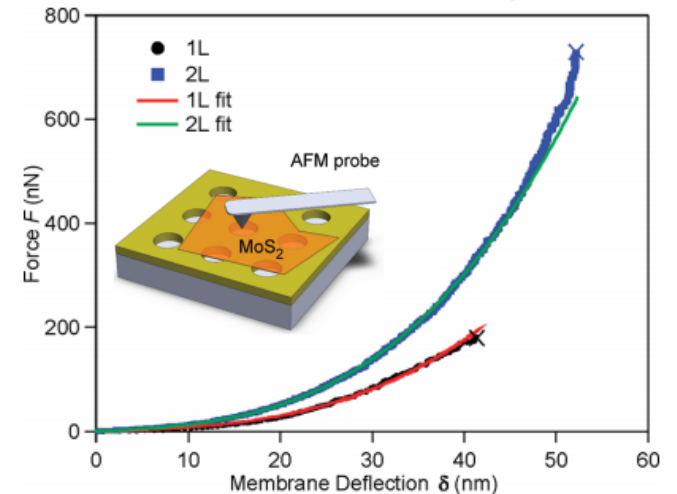
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Piezoelectric Monolayer



Nature **514**, 474 (2014)

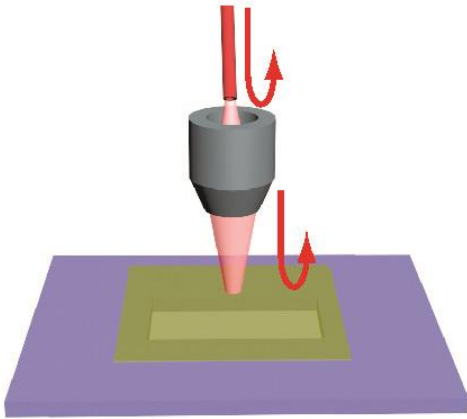
Nonlinear force vs. displacement



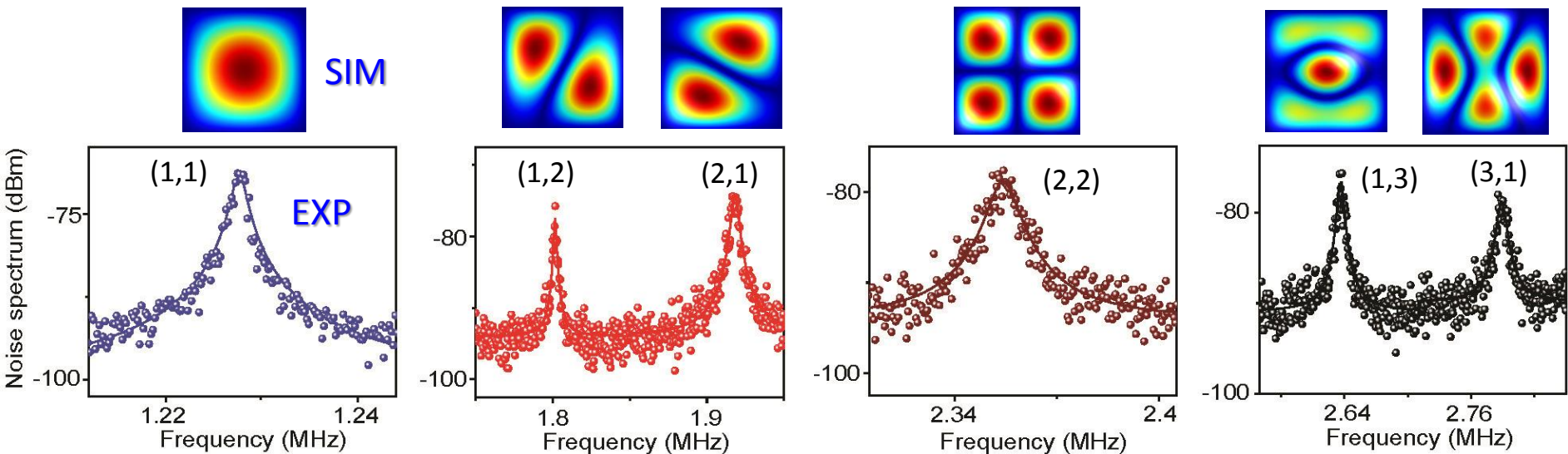
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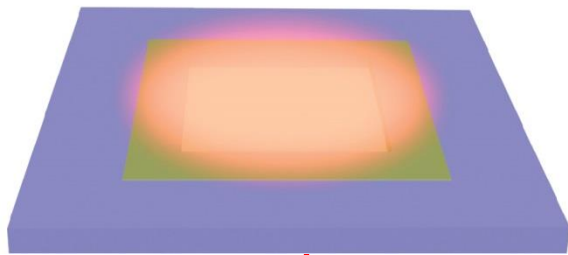
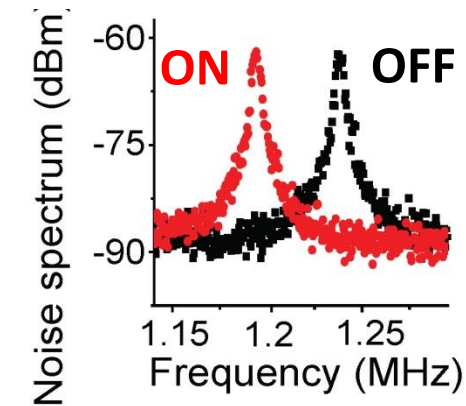
Modes identified from thermal fluctuations



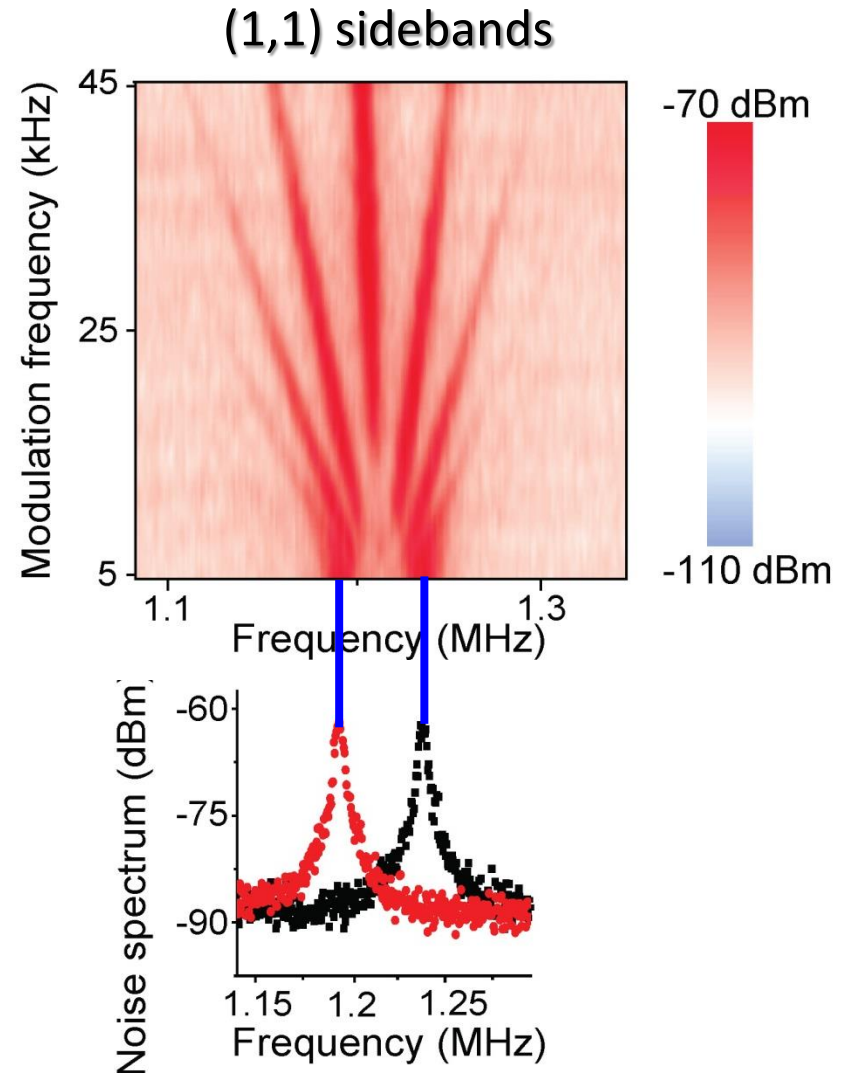
- Thermally excited vibrational modes are observed and identified.
- Nominally degenerate modes are split.
 - Could indicate mode-coupling.



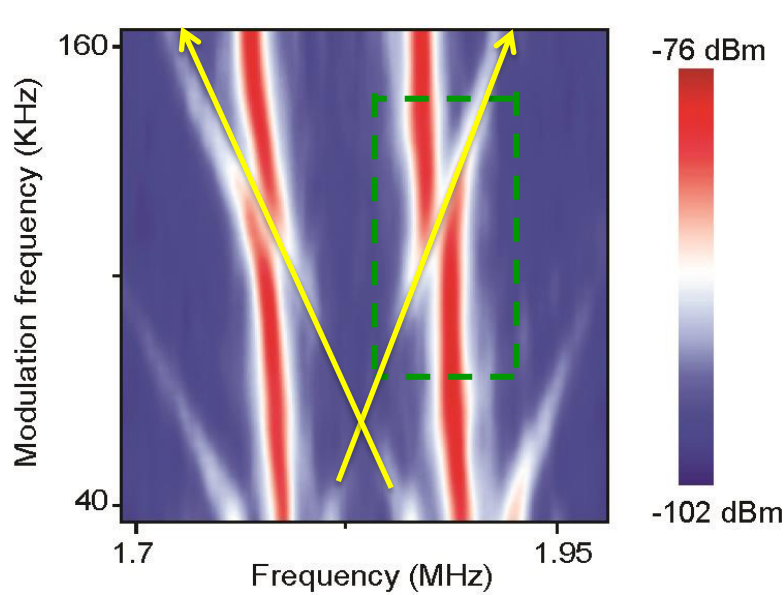
Distribution of thermal energy in mechanical modes depends on modulation frequency



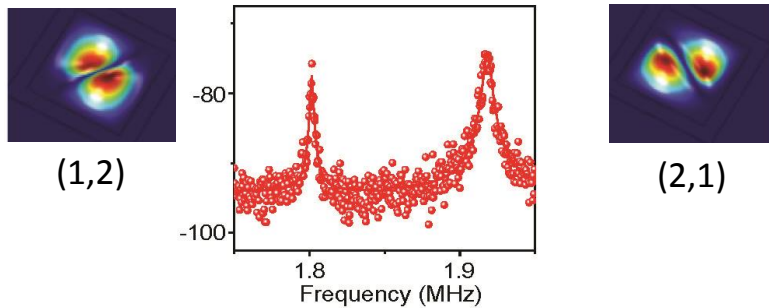
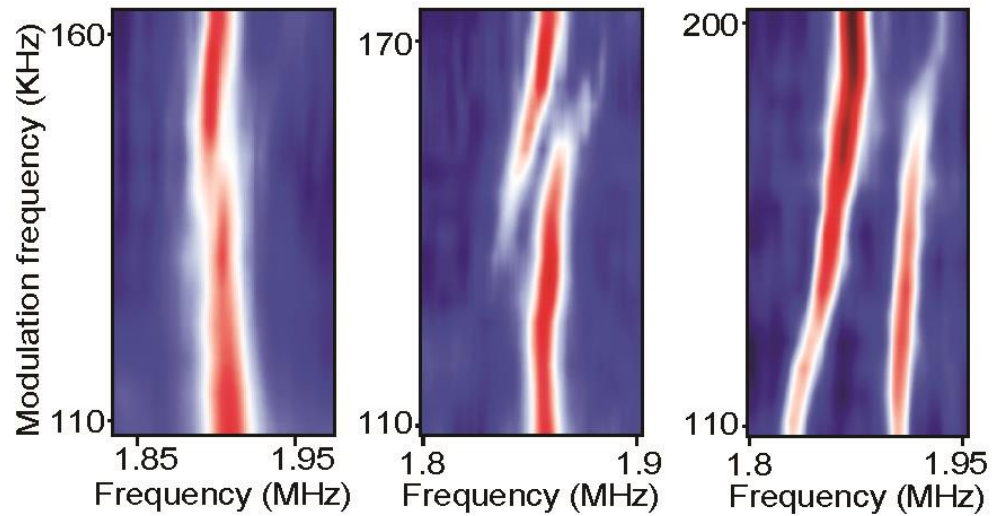
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Normal-mode splitting is observed



150 μW \longrightarrow 350 μW



- Peak splitting \rightarrow coupling rate g .
- g is 10 X the decay rate γ .

Strong coupling enables coherent energy exchange.

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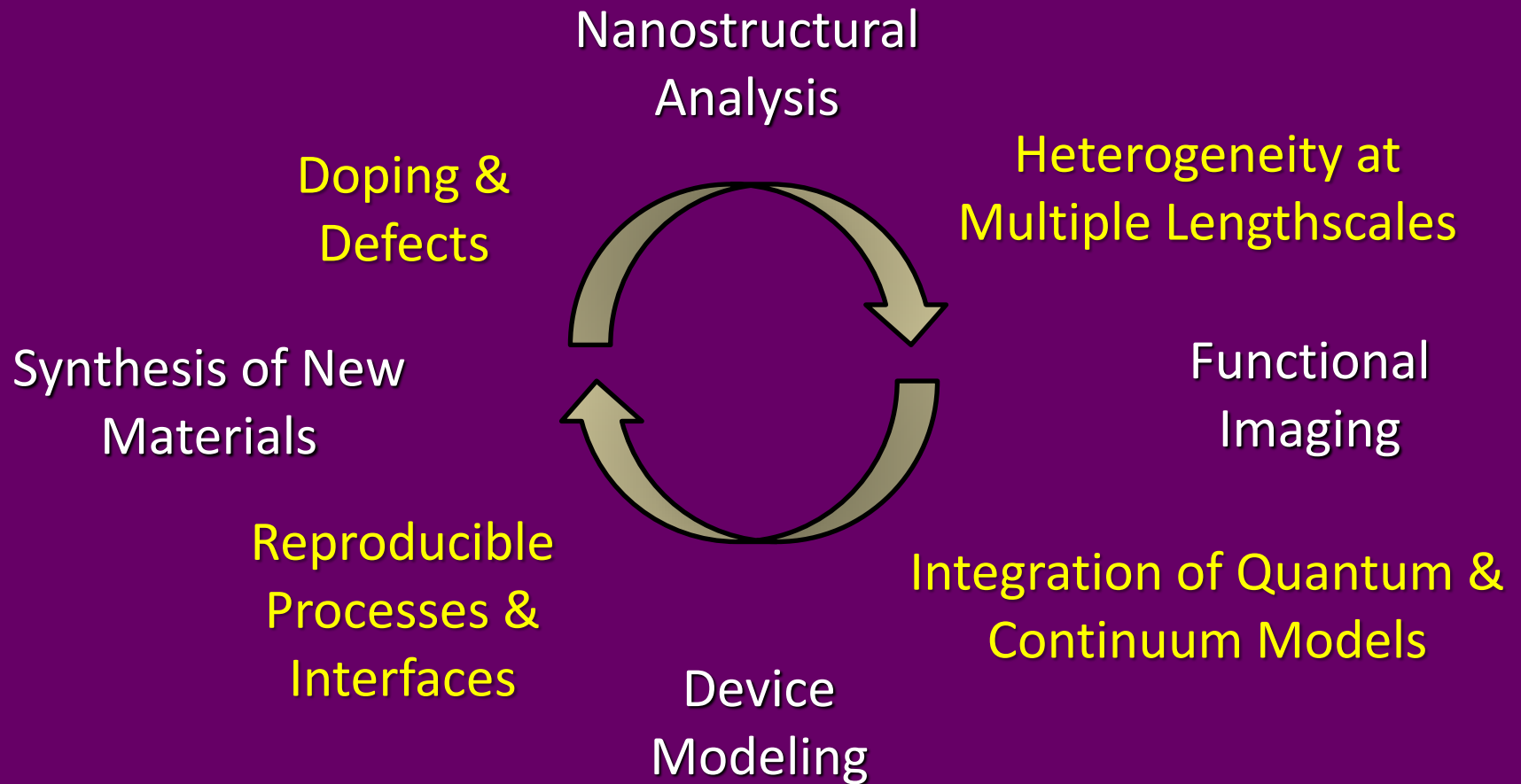
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Challenges in 2-D Materials & Devices



Integrated approach to 2D MSE

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