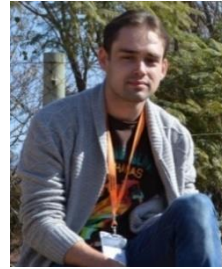


# JINR-India collaborative investigations of Josephson nanostructures

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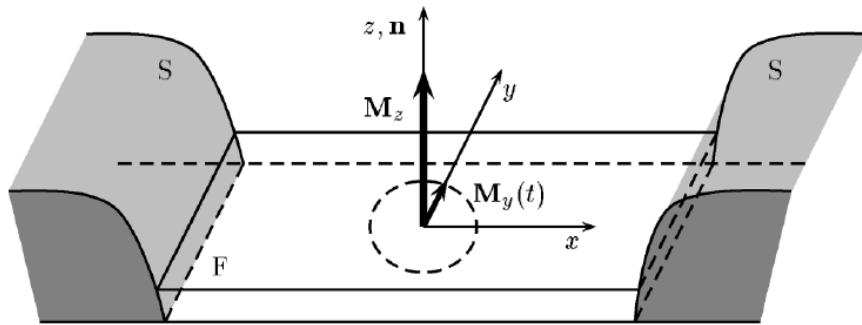
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**S/F/S  $\varphi_0$ -junction**

# Phi - 0 Josephson junction



$$G = E_J / (KV) \quad r = lv_{so} / v_F$$

Current phase relation

$$I = I_c \sin(\varphi - \varphi_0)$$

Landau Lifshits Gilbert equation

$$\frac{d\mathbf{M}}{dt} = -\gamma \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} + \frac{\alpha}{M_0} \left( \mathbf{M} \times \frac{d\mathbf{M}}{dt} \right)$$

The effective field

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} = \left[ \frac{K}{M_0} Gr \sin \left( \varphi - r \frac{M_y}{M_0} \right) \right] \hat{y} + \left[ H_z + \frac{K}{M_0} \frac{M_z}{M_0} \right] \hat{z}$$

Dynamical equations for Josephson junction

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{1}{\beta_c} [I - V - \sin(\varphi - rm_y)]$$

$$\frac{d\varphi}{dt} = V,$$

$$\beta_c = 2eI_c CR^2 / \hbar$$

The appropriate candidate for experimental verification



**MnSi or FeGe** (Ferromagnet without inversion symmetry)

$r \sim 0.1 - 1$ ,  $G \sim 0.1 - 100$ ,  $\omega_F \sim 10 \text{ GHz}$

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# Ferromagnetic resonance

The system precess around the easy axis

$$Gr\alpha \ll 1 \quad m_x, m_y \ll 1 \quad \text{и} \quad m_z = 1 = \text{const}$$

The solution of the linearized system is given by:

$$m_y(t) = \frac{\omega_+ - \omega_-}{r} \sin(\omega_J t) - \frac{\gamma_+ + \gamma_-}{r} \cos(\omega_J t)$$

where

$$\omega_{\pm} = \frac{Gr^2\omega_F}{2} \frac{\omega_J \pm \omega_F}{\Omega_{\pm}} \quad \gamma_{\pm} = \frac{Gr^2\omega_F}{2} \frac{\alpha\omega_J}{\Omega_{\pm}} \quad \Omega_{\pm} = (\omega_J \pm \omega_F)^2 + (\alpha\omega_J)^2$$

The supercurrent is given by:

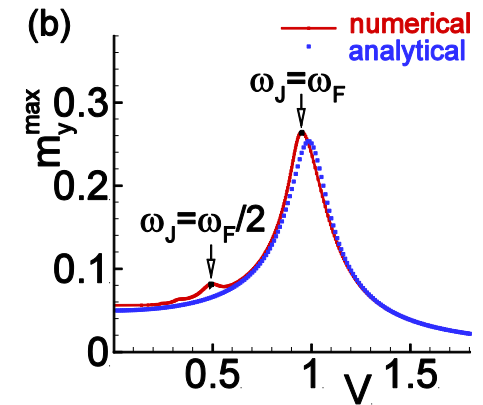
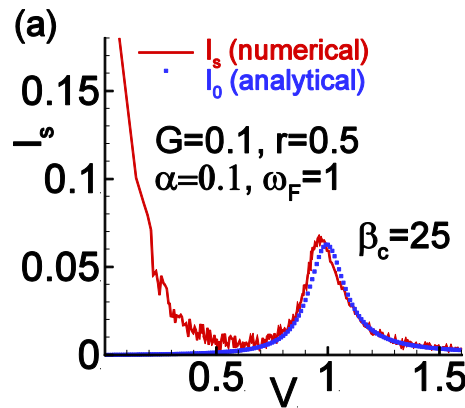


$$I_s(t) = \sin \omega_J t - \frac{\omega_+ - \omega_-}{2} \sin 2\omega_J t + \frac{\gamma_+ + \gamma_-}{2} \cos 2\omega_J t + I_0(\alpha)$$

where

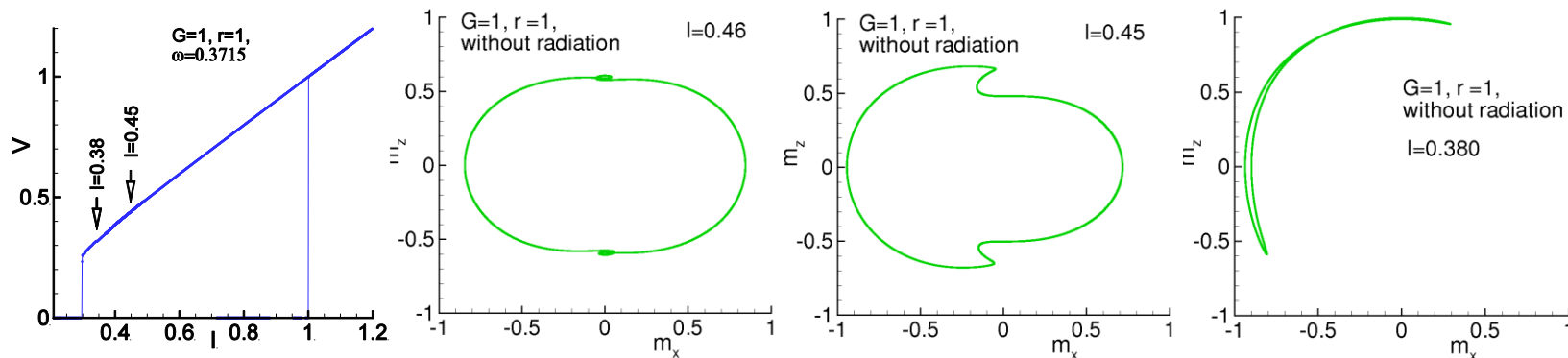
$$I_0 = \frac{\gamma_+ + \gamma_-}{2}$$

Damped resonance at  $\omega \Rightarrow 1$

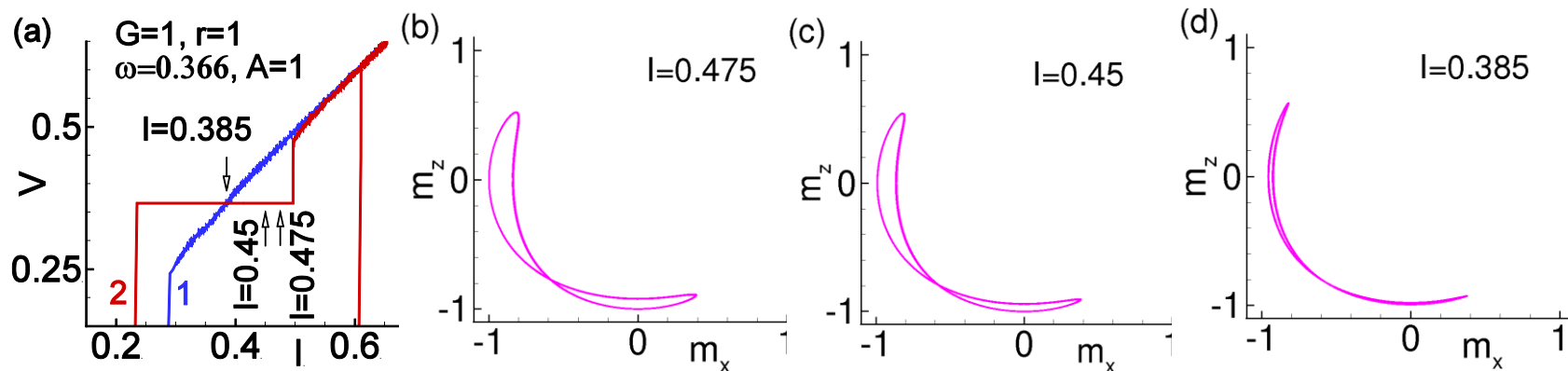


# Effect of external electromagnetic radiation

Without radiation



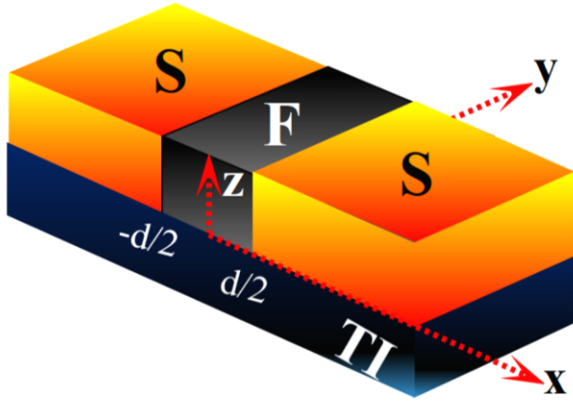
Under radiation,  $W=0.366, A=1$



The transformation of precession trajectories under the influence of external periodic drive

# **S/F/S Josephson junctions on top of 3D TI**

# SFS Junction on top of TI



The Josephson energy reads as

The effective field components in LLG equation read as

The expression for the Josephson current is

$$J_s = J_c(m_x) \sin \left( \varphi - \frac{2h_y d}{v_F} \right),$$

$$J_c(m_x) = J_b \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} e^{\left[ -\frac{2\pi T d}{v_F \cos \phi} \right]} \cos \left[ \frac{2h_x d \tan \phi}{v_F} \right] \cos \phi d\phi,$$

$$E_s = \epsilon_J \left[ 1 - \cos \left( \Omega_J t - r m_y \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{dm}{d\tau} = -\frac{\Omega_F}{(1 + \alpha^2)} \left( m \times h_{eff} + \alpha [m \times (m \times h_{eff})] \right).$$

$$h_x = \Gamma \left[ \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} e^{-\bar{d}/\cos \phi} \sin \phi \sin \left( r m_x \tan \phi \right) d\phi \right] \left[ 1 - \cos \left( \Omega_J t - r m_y \right) \right]$$

$$h_y = \Gamma \left[ \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} e^{-\bar{d}/\cos \phi} \cos \phi \cos \left( r m_x \tan \phi \right) d\phi \right] \sin \left( \Omega_J t - r m_y \right) + m_y$$

$$h_z = 0,$$

$$\Gamma = Gr / J_c^{m_x=0}, \text{ and } G = \epsilon_J / K_{an} V_F.$$



# Easy axis splitting

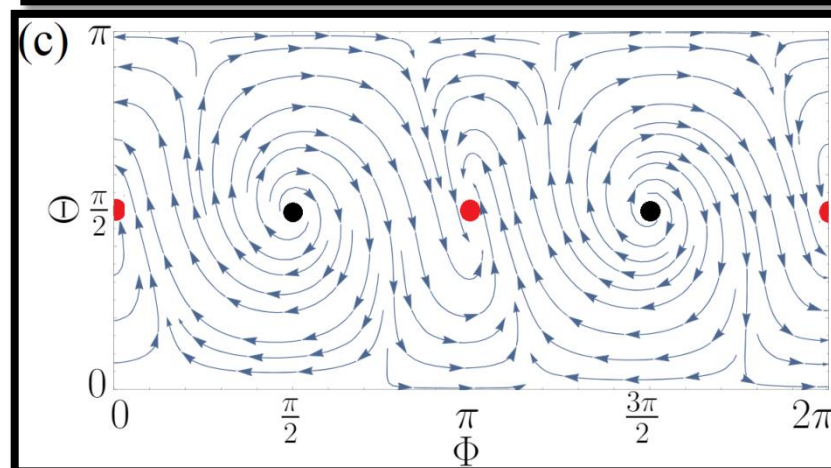
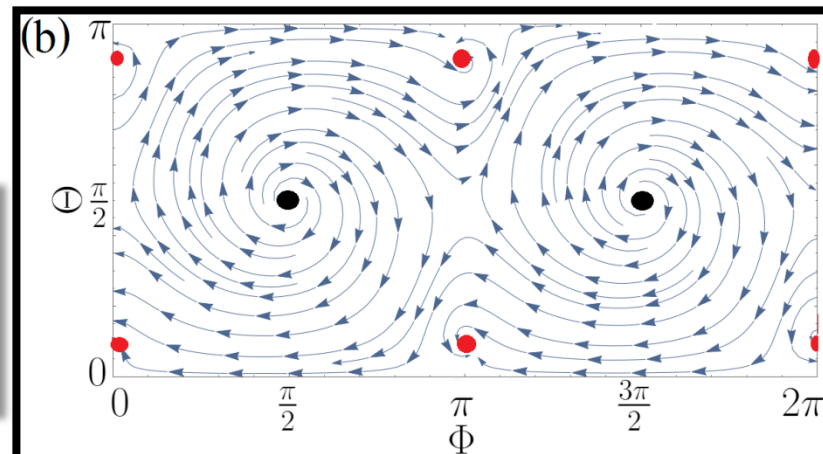
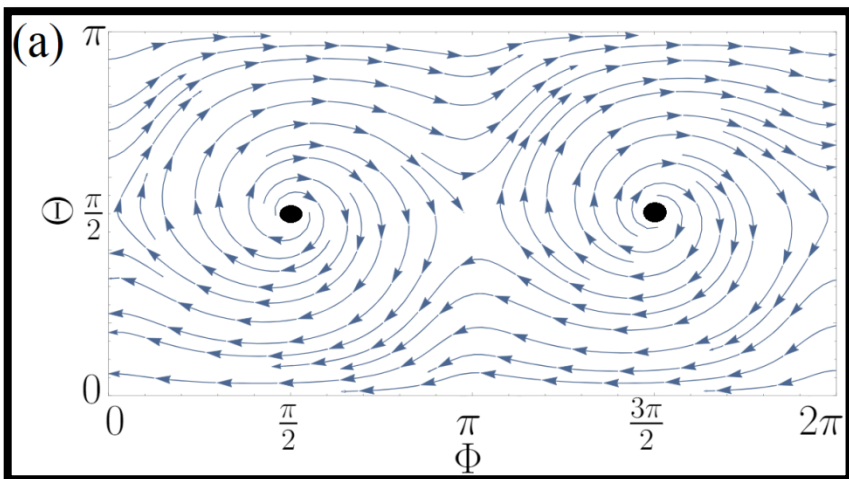
$$h_x = \Gamma \left[ \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} e^{-\tilde{d}/\cos\phi} \sin\phi \sin\left(rm_x \tan\phi\right) d\phi \right] \left[ 1 - \cos\left(\Omega_J t - rm_y\right) \right]$$

$$h_y = \Gamma \left[ \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} e^{-\tilde{d}/\cos\phi} \cos\phi \cos\left(rm_x \tan\phi\right) d\phi \right] \sin\left(\Omega_J t - rm_y\right) + m_y$$

$$\mathbf{m} = (\sin\Theta \cos\Phi, \cos\Theta, \sin\Theta \sin\Phi).$$

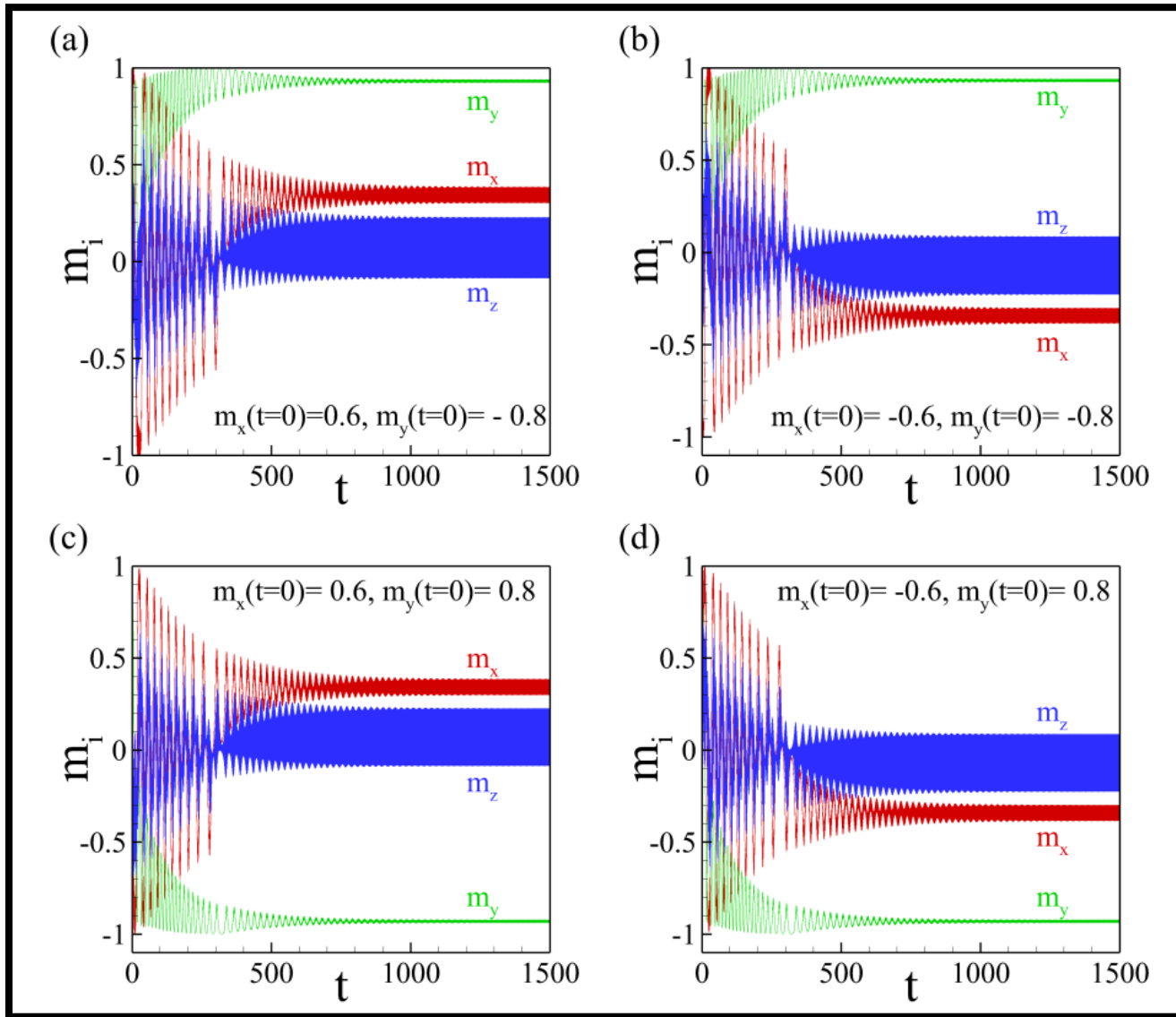
$$\dot{\Theta} = \frac{\Omega_F}{\alpha^2 + 1} \left( -\alpha h_y \sin\Theta + h_x (\alpha \cos\Theta \cos\Phi + \sin\Phi) \right),$$

$$\dot{\Phi} = \frac{\Omega_F}{\alpha^2 + 1} \left( -\alpha h_x (\csc\Theta \sin\Phi + \cot\Theta \cos\Phi) - h_y \right).$$



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# Magnetization Dynamics



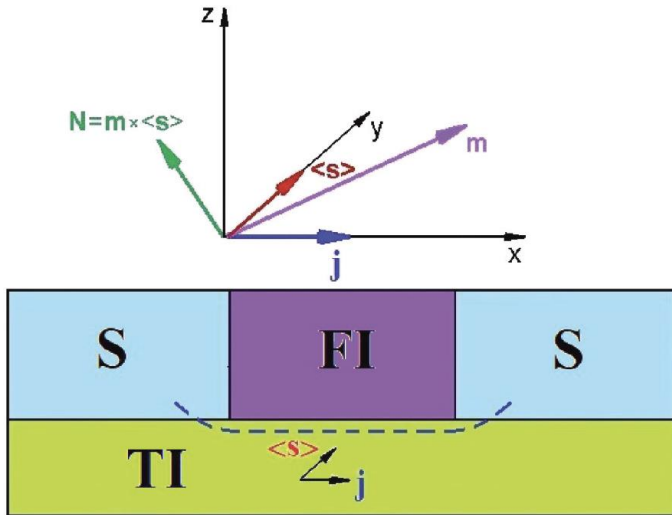
Time evolution of the magnetization starting from different initial conditions.

Four panels correspond to four possible stable states, which are reached by the system at large  $t$ .

$\Gamma = 1.57, r = 0.5, d \sim 0.3, \alpha = 0.01, \Omega_F / \Omega_J = 0.2$ , time is measured in units of  $\Omega_J^{-1}$

# **S/IF/S Josephson junctions on top of 3D TI**

# S/IF/S Josephson junctions on 3D TI



The dashed line represents a schematic trajectory of the current flow.

where  $K$  and  $K_u$   $\longrightarrow$  hard axis and easy axis anisotropy constants

The expression for the Josephson current is 
$$j = j_c \sin(\chi - \chi_0) + \frac{1}{2eR_N}(\dot{\chi} - \dot{\chi}_0)$$

The induced electron spin polarization  $\langle s \rangle$  lies in the TI surface plane and is perpendicular to the current.

The LLG equation:

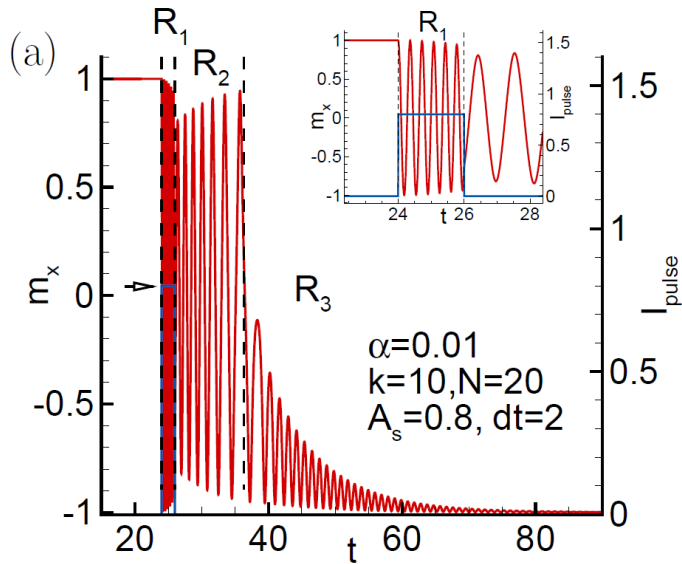
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial t} = -\gamma \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} + \frac{\alpha}{M} \mathbf{M} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial t} + \frac{J_{\text{ex}}}{d_F} \mathbf{M} \times \langle \mathbf{s} \rangle,$$

The effective exchange field  $\nearrow$

The effective field components in LLG equation read as

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{K}{M} m_z \mathbf{e}_z + \frac{K_u}{M} m_x \mathbf{e}_x,$$

# Magnetization reversal



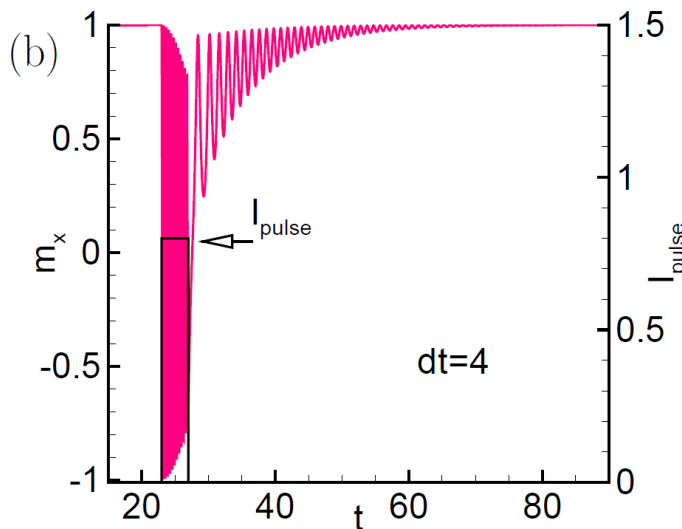
The ratio of the hard-axis and easy-axis anisotropies  $\longrightarrow k = K/K_u$

It is seen that the magnetization dynamics consists of three different regimes R1, R2 and R3 in panel (a).

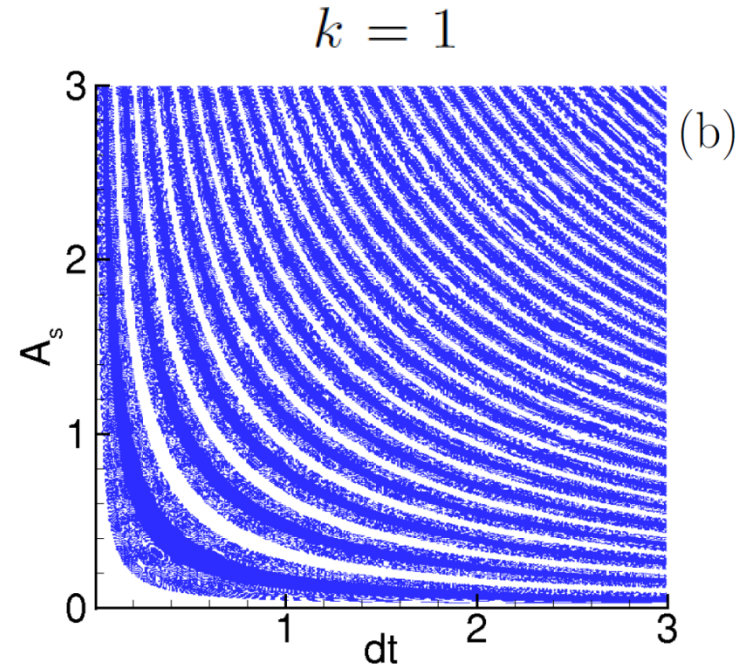
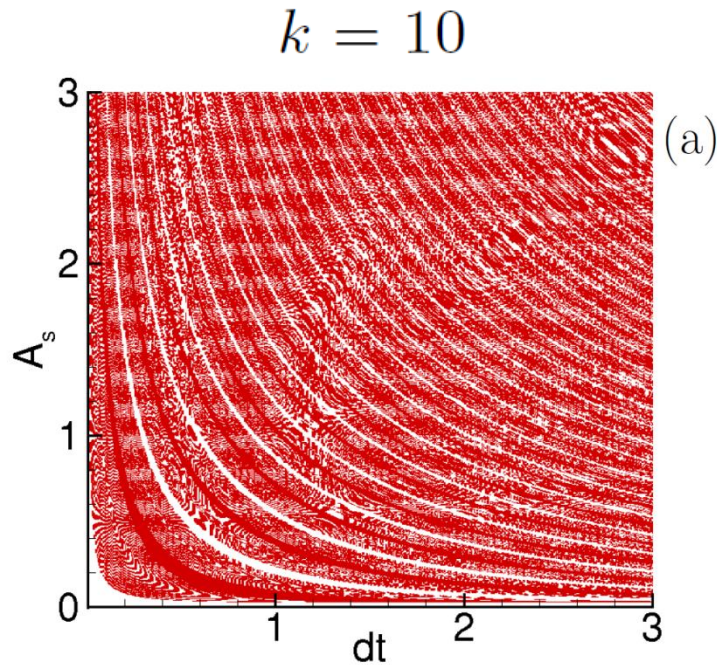
The regime R1 corresponds to the dynamics during the current pulse.

Regime R2 differs from R3 by the fact that the final state of the magnetization is not determined yet in this regime.

Regime R2 is not necessary realized in the system. Such an example is illustrated in panel (b).



# Reversal diagram

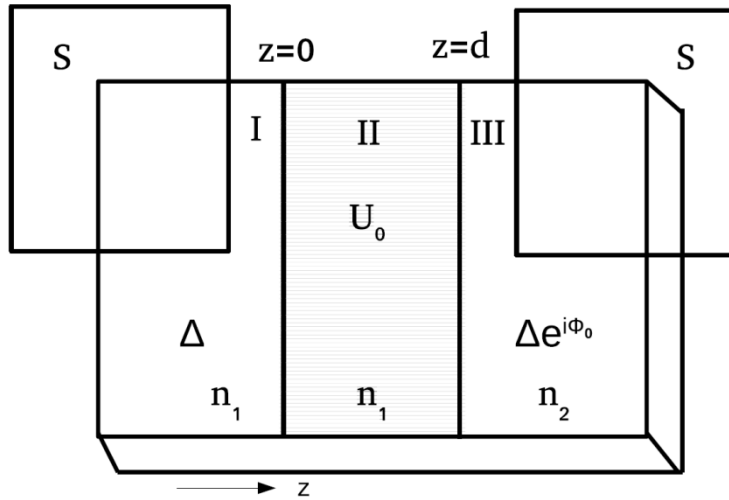


The regions, where the reversal occurs are colored and where it does not occur are white.

They are separated by the white/colored striped regions, which represent an "uncertainty" regime.

# **Weyl and multi-Weyl semimetals Josephson junctions**

# Josephson junctions of Weyl and multi-Weyl semimetals



The expression for the Andreev bound states

$$E_{\pm}(\phi_0) = \pm \Delta_0 \sqrt{1 - T_N \sin^2(\phi_0/2)}$$

The expression for the Josephson current is

$$I_J = \frac{I_0}{4n_1} \left( \frac{Lk_F}{2\pi} \right)^2 \int_0^{\pi/4} d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi$$

$$\times (\sin 2\theta)^{2/n_1 - 1} \cos 2\theta \frac{T_N \sin \phi_0}{\sqrt{1 - T_N \sin^2(\phi_0/2)}}$$

$$G_N = \left( \frac{e^2}{\hbar n_1} \frac{Lk_F}{2\pi} \right)^2 \int_0^{\pi/4} d\theta$$

$$\times \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi (\sin 2\theta)^{2/n_1 - 1} \cos 2\theta T_N$$

→ The normal state junction conductance

The expression for tunneling conductance is given by

$$T_N = \frac{2 \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_3}{1 + \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_3 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_3 \cos((n_2 - n_1)\phi + 2\chi)}$$

where

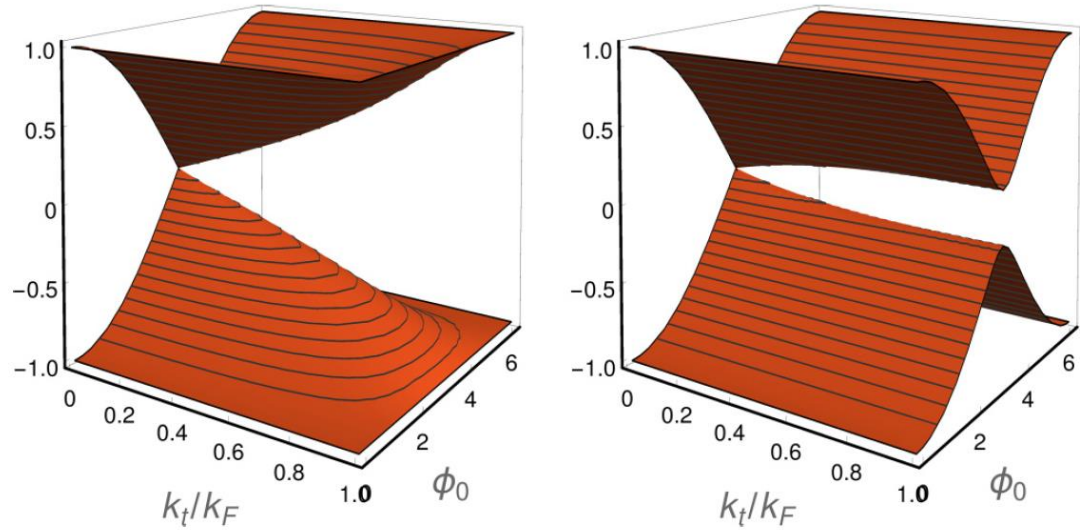
$$\cos \theta_1 = \sqrt{1 - \frac{k_p^{2n_1}}{\mu_s^2}}$$

$$\cos \theta_3 = \sqrt{1 - \frac{k_p^{2n_2}}{\mu_s^2}}$$

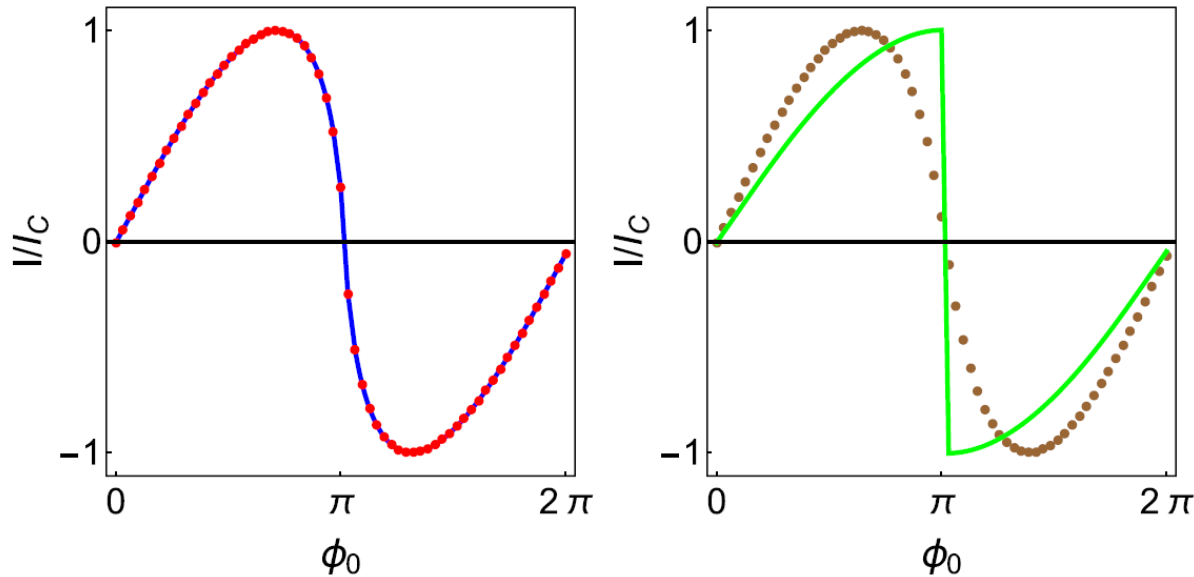
$\chi = U_0 d / (\hbar v_F)$  → The barrier parameter



# Energy and superconducting current dependencies



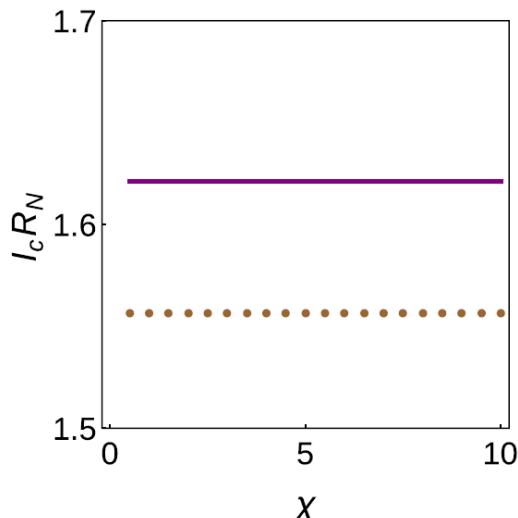
Energy as a function of the relative phase and the transverse momentum



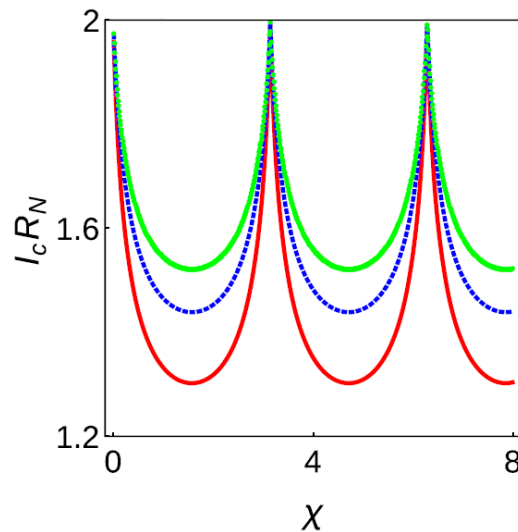
Note that  $I/I_C$  becomes independent of  $\chi$  in the thin-barrier limit for  $n_1 = n_2$  (left panel) but depends substantially on  $\chi$  if  $n_1 \neq n_2$  (right panel).

# System of nanomagnet + Josephson junction

$$n_1 \neq n_2$$



$$n_1 = n_2$$

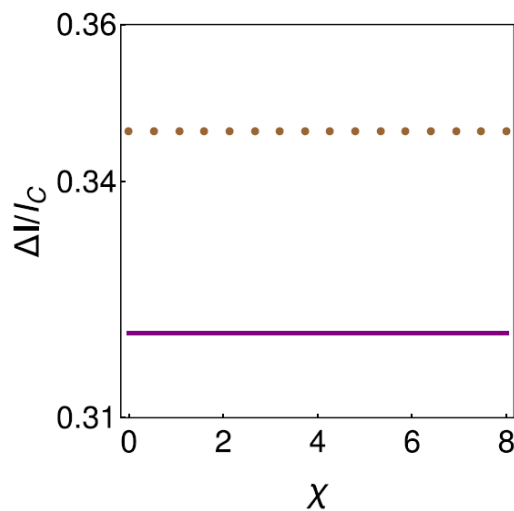


The barrier independent of  $I_c R_N$  for  $n_1 \neq n_2$  for several choices of  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ . We find  $c = 1.56$  (1.62) for  $n_1 = 1$  and  $n_2 = 2$  (3)

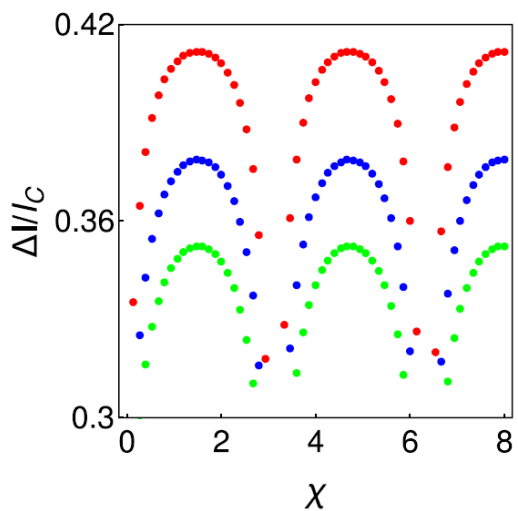
$$I_c R_N = \frac{\pi \Delta_0}{2e} \frac{\mathcal{I}_1}{\mathcal{I}_2} = \frac{\pi \Delta_0}{2e} c$$

In contrast,  $c$  is an oscillatory function of  $\chi$  for  $n_1 = n_2$  as shown in the right panel

$$n_1 \neq n_2$$



$$n_1 = n_2$$



$I_c R_N$  starts to oscillate with the barrier strength. However, the magnitude of this oscillation decreases rapidly with decreasing the barrier thickness.

# Summary

- It was shown that an external electromagnetic field allows to control the magnetic moment dynamics and can lead to a transformation of precession trajectories.
- The splitting of the ferromagnet's easy-axis which can lead to stabilization of an unconventional four-fold degenerate ferromagnetic state was demonstrated .
- It was demonstrated that strong spin-momentum locking in the TI surface states provides a possibility of efficient reversal of the magnetic moment by current pulse with amplitude lower than the critical current, that results in strongly reduced energy dissipation.
- It was shown that the product of the critical current on the normal-state resistance for Weyl semimetal based junctions, has a universal value independent of the barrier potential, which is a consequence of change in topological winding number across the junction.

## Future plans

We plan to continue our collaborative work investigating higher-order topological superconductors. This year we submitted a joint Russian-India project to RSF with the title: *"Temperature Driven Emergent Phases and Novel Transport Signatures in Higher-order Topological Materials"*

Thank you for attention.