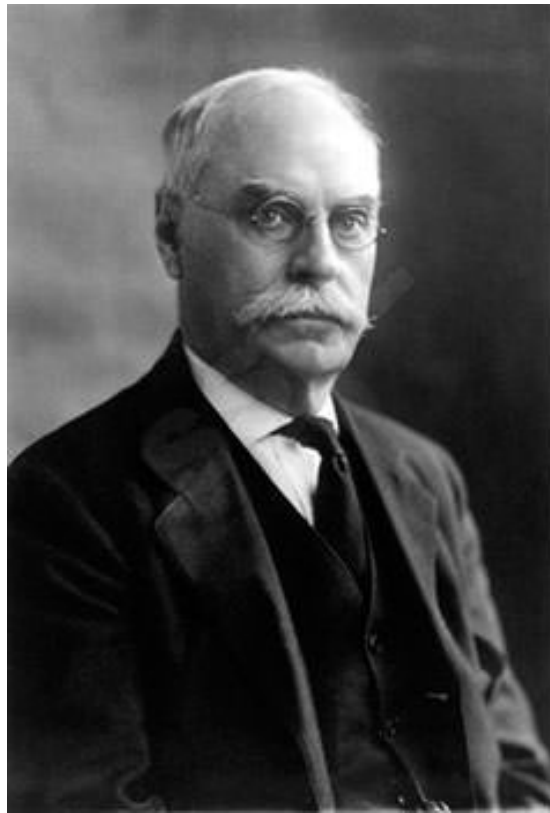
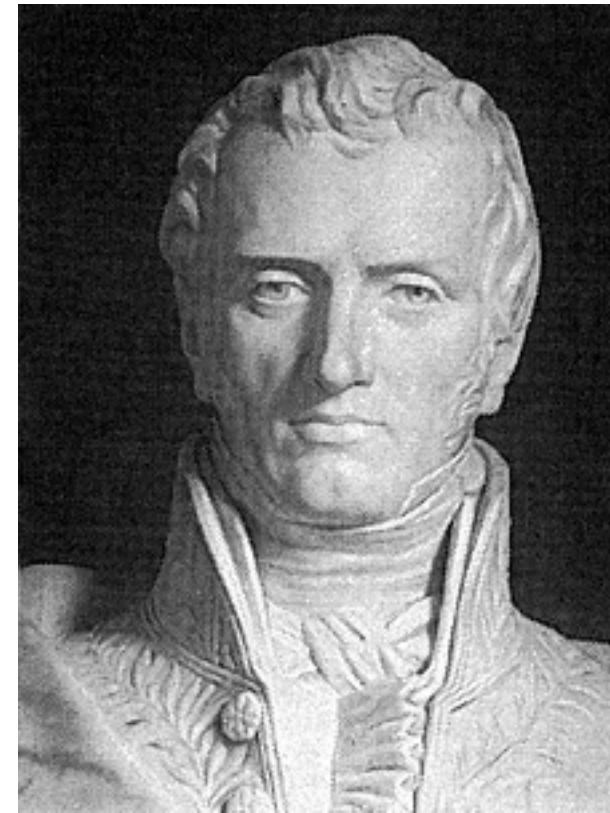


Hall effect in viscous electron fluids



Edwin Herbert Hall
1855-1938



Claude-Louis Navier
1785-1836



George Gabriel Stokes
1819-1903

KITP, Santa Barbara, November 13, 2019

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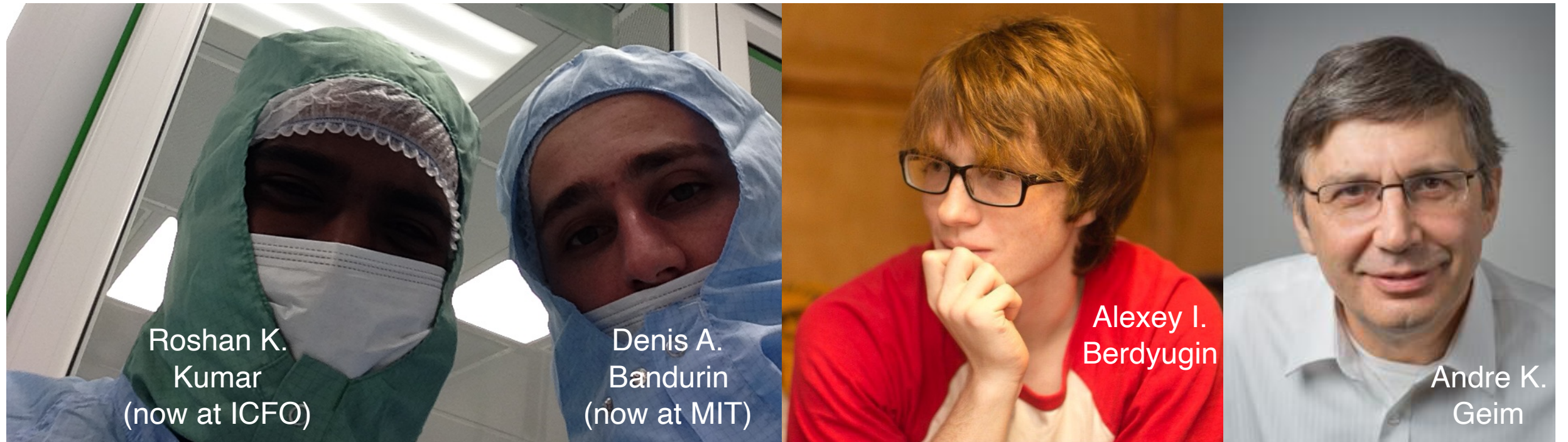
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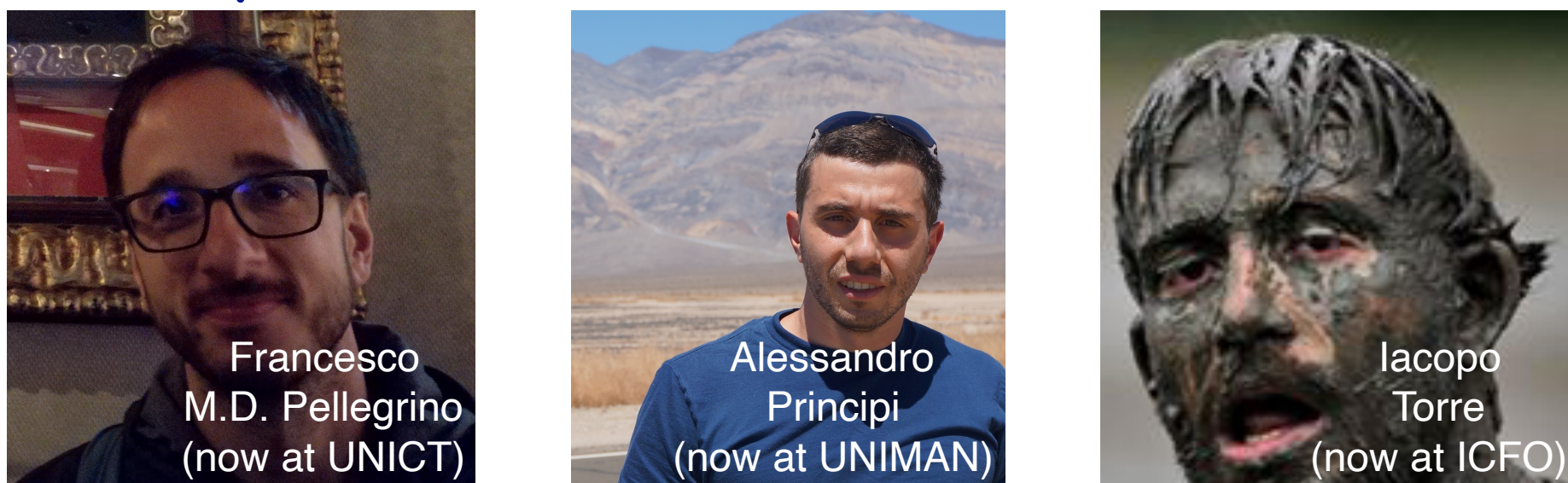
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For a recent popular review see
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Introduction

Solid-state hydrodynamics

- 📌 In a fluid or gas, hydrodynamics works because one has **local conservation of momentum** and **energy**
- 📌 All transport properties governed by just **3 quantities** (when $B=0$): the **shear viscosity** (η), the bulk viscosity (ζ), and the thermal conductivity (κ); in this talk we will always use the kinematic viscosity $\nu = \eta / (\rho m)$
- 📌 **Near-perfect fluids**: measured (!!!) record-low shear viscosity in strongly-interacting quantum fluids like quark-gluon plasmas and ultracold Fermi gases at unitarity
- 📌 What about **electron systems in a solid**? They can exchange energy and momentum with the lattice.

In a crystal, hydrodynamics is relevant when

$$l_{ee} \ll l, W$$

Strange metals (I)

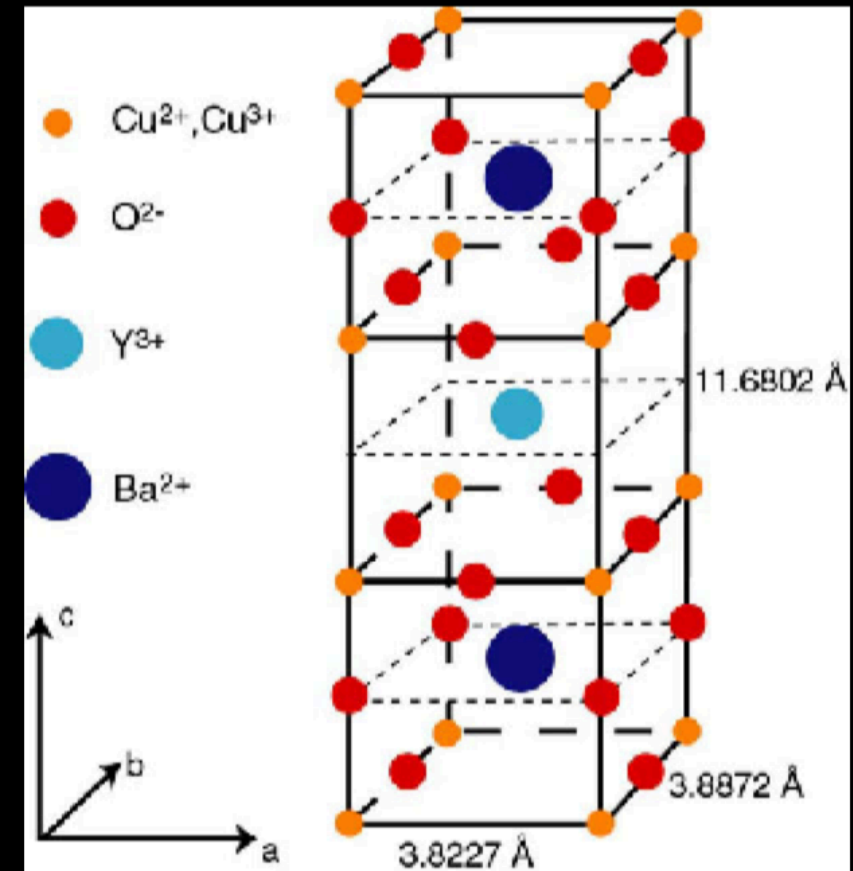
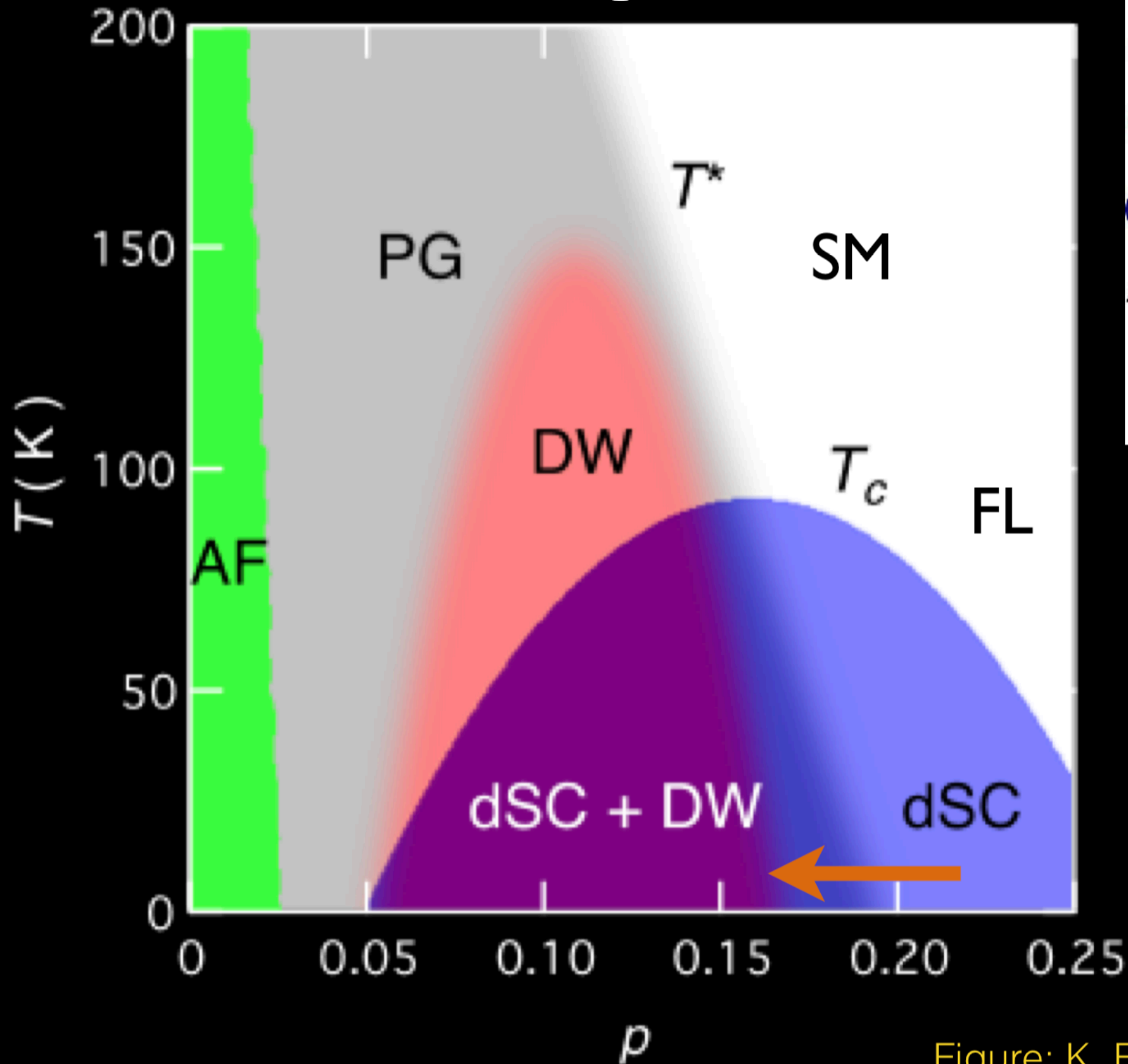
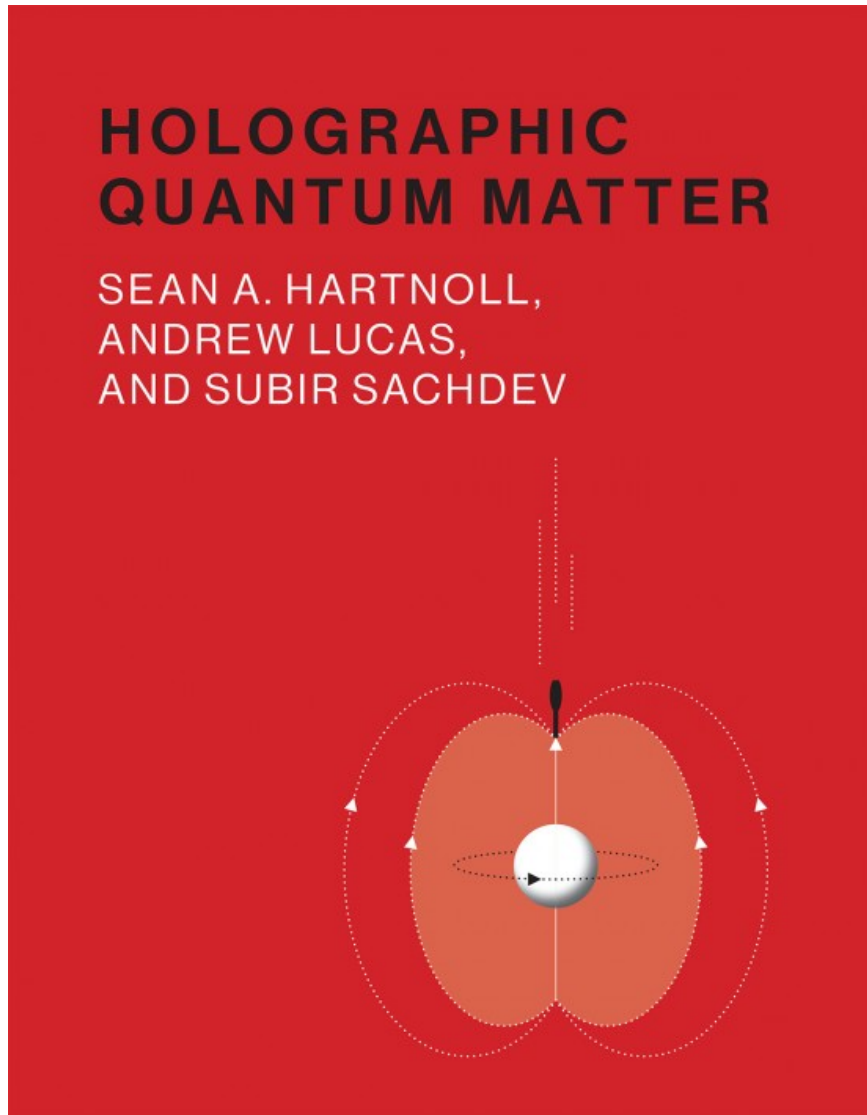


Figure: K. Fujita and J. C. Seamus Davis

Strange metals (II)



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**Planckian dissipation, minimal viscosity
and the transport in cuprate strange metals**

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Our humble approach:
focus on ultraclean Fermi liquids*

* Same approach taken by the MIT/Weizmann collaboration led by L. Levitov & G. Falkovich

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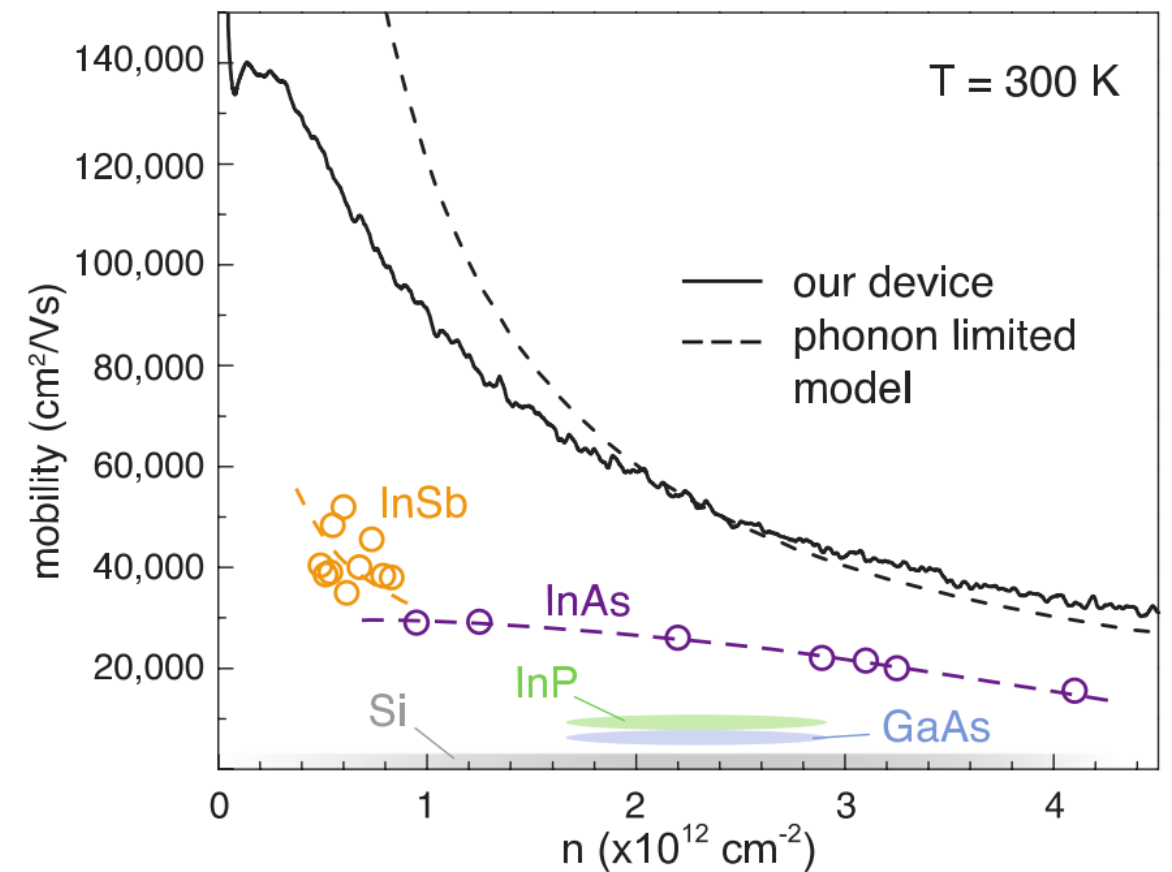
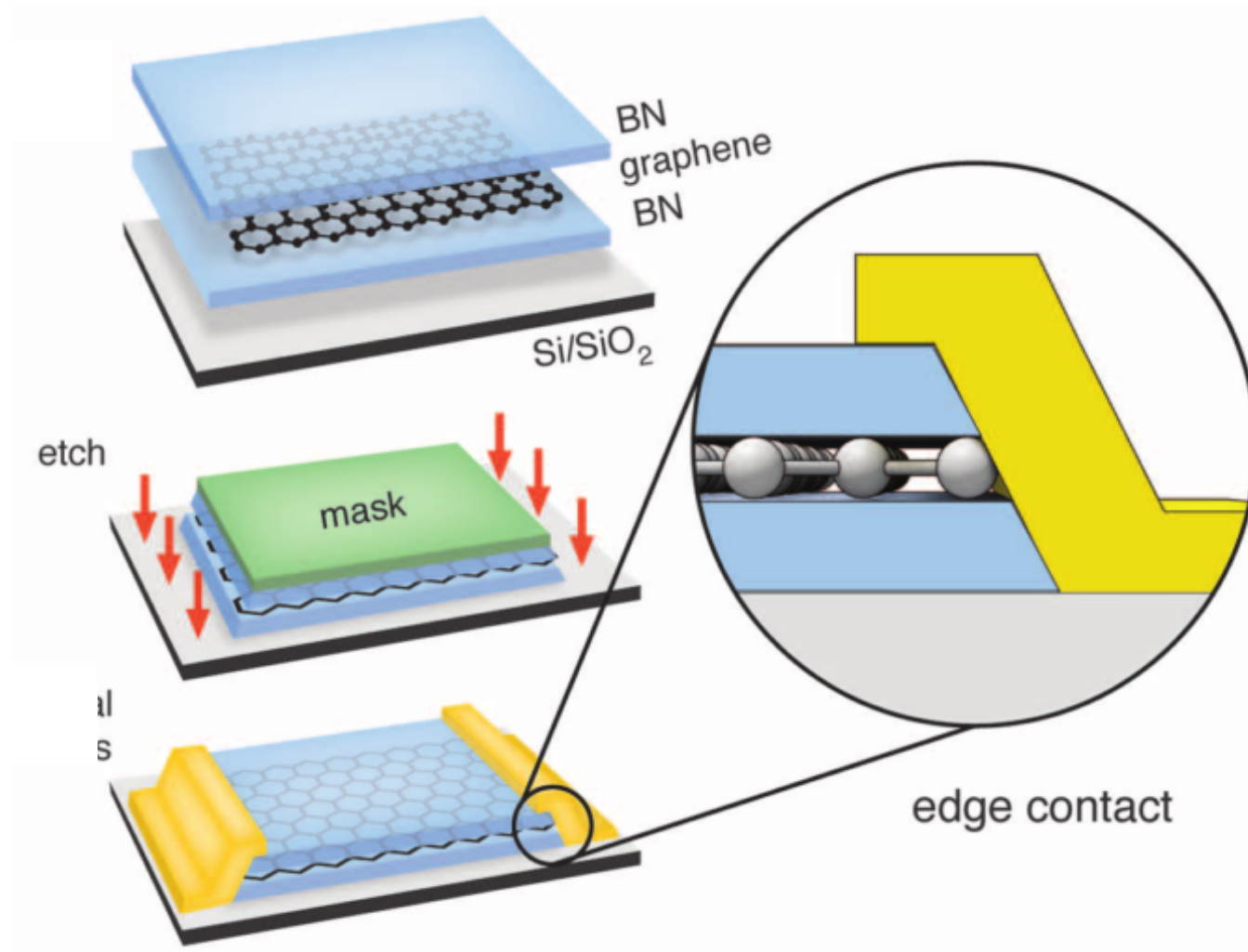
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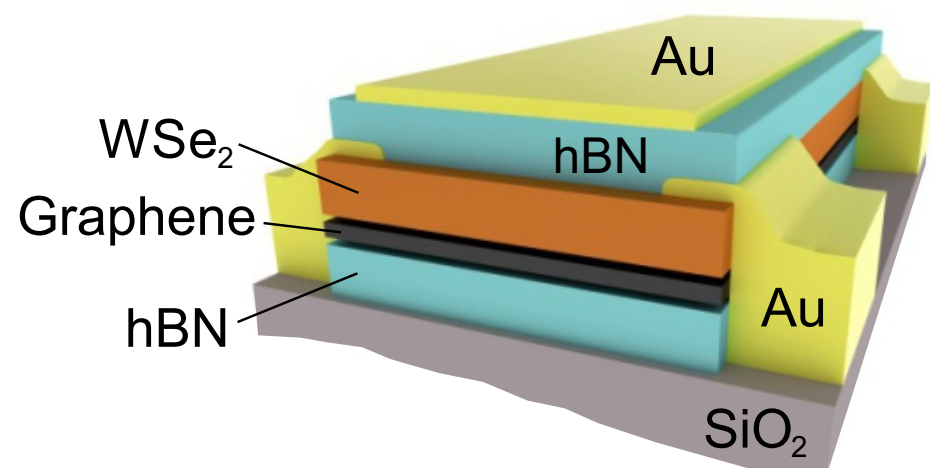
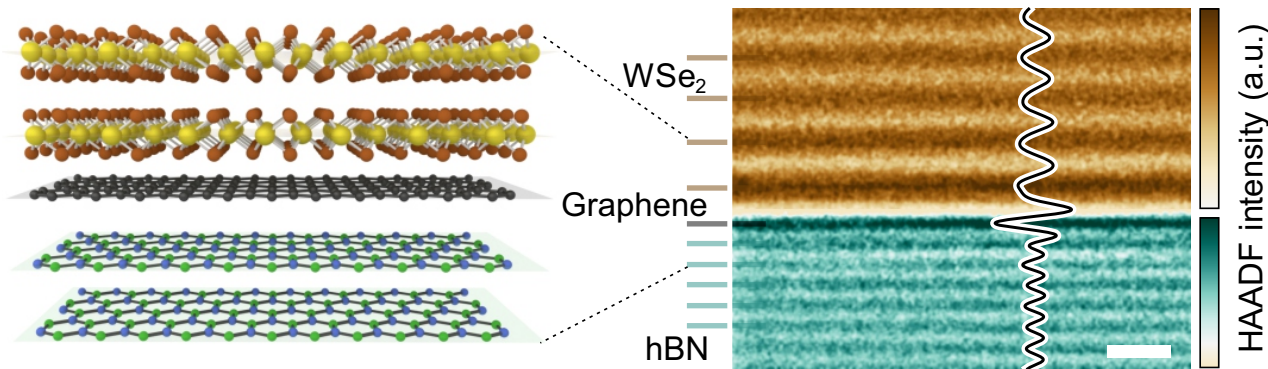
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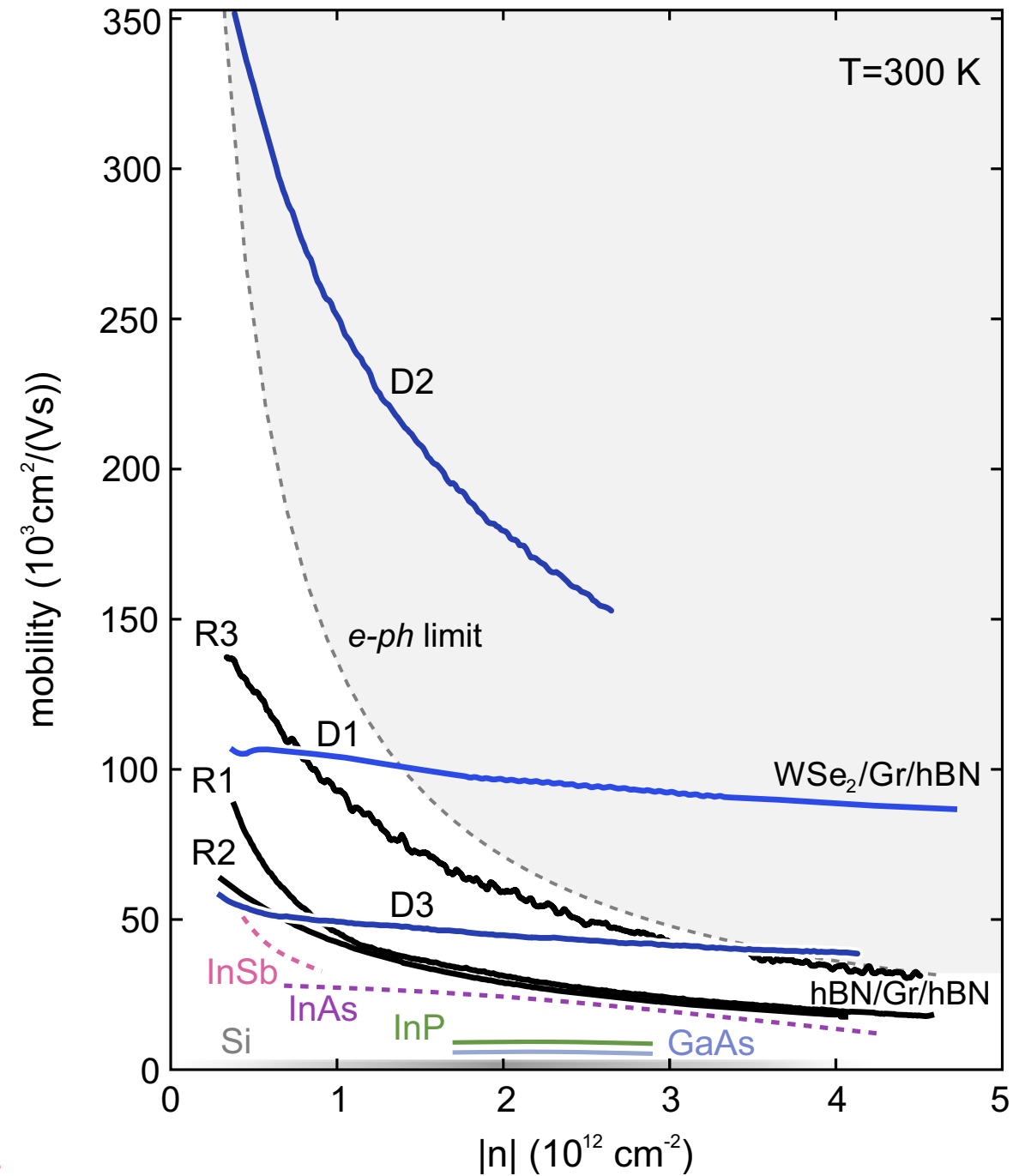
L. Wang et al., Science **342**, 614 (2013)

See also works by Manchester, MIT, Harvard, Zürich, Cambridge, Aachen, etc

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Crucial heterostructures for the observation of non-linear hydro phenomena, such as preturbulence and other instabilities

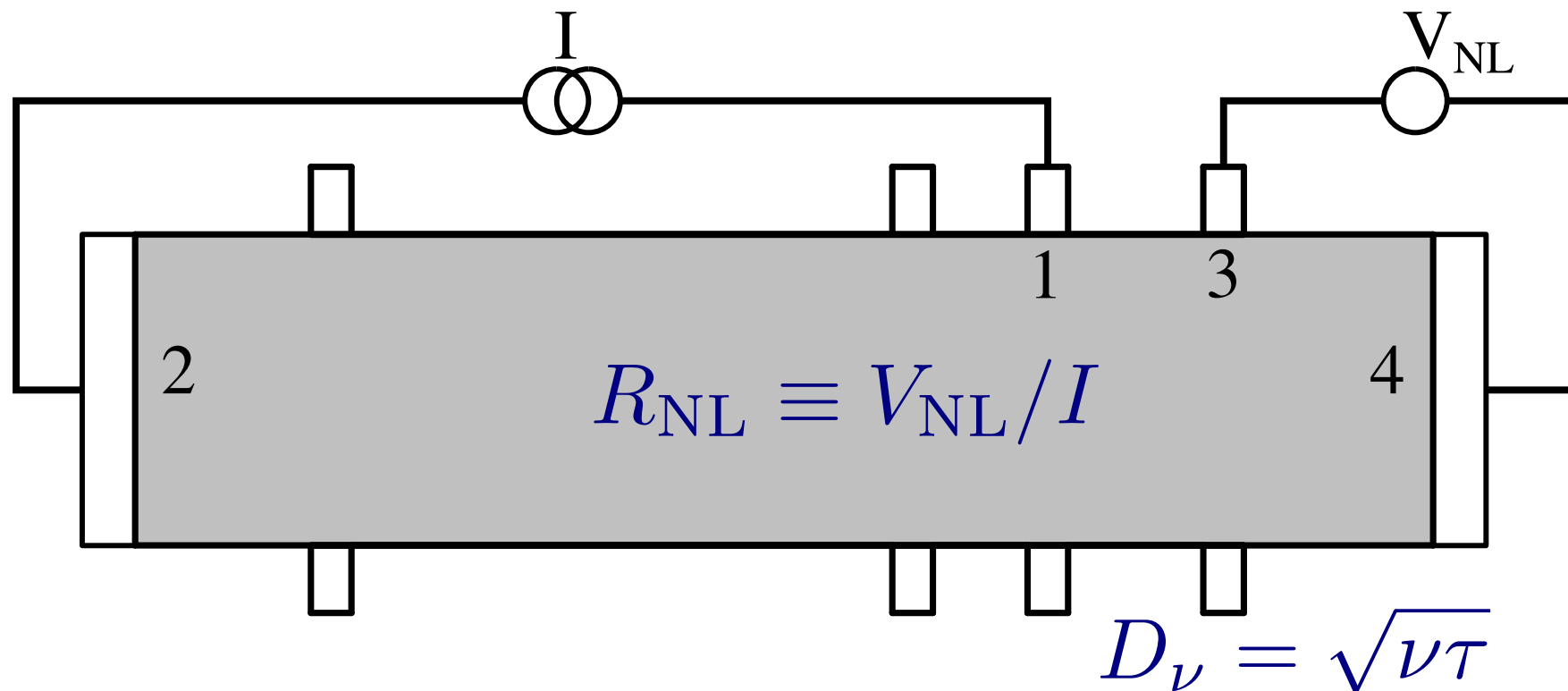


How to observe hydro electron flow
in these ultraclean materials
(and also "old" ones such as GaAs*)

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The "vicinity" resistance geometry

Nonlocal transport: the "vicinity" resistance



Solve the following steady-state equations:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) = D_{\nu}^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) - \sigma_{\text{dc}} \nabla \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

supplemented by boundary conditions:

$$\left[\partial_y J_x(x, y) + \partial_x J_y(x, y) \right]_{y=\pm W/2} = \mp \frac{J_x(x, y = \pm W/2)}{l_b}$$

Solution of the problem (I)

For a translationally-invariant geometry, the problem can be solved by employing FTs:

$$\mathbf{J}(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dk_x}{2\pi} e^{ik_x x} \hat{\mathbf{J}}(k_x, y)$$

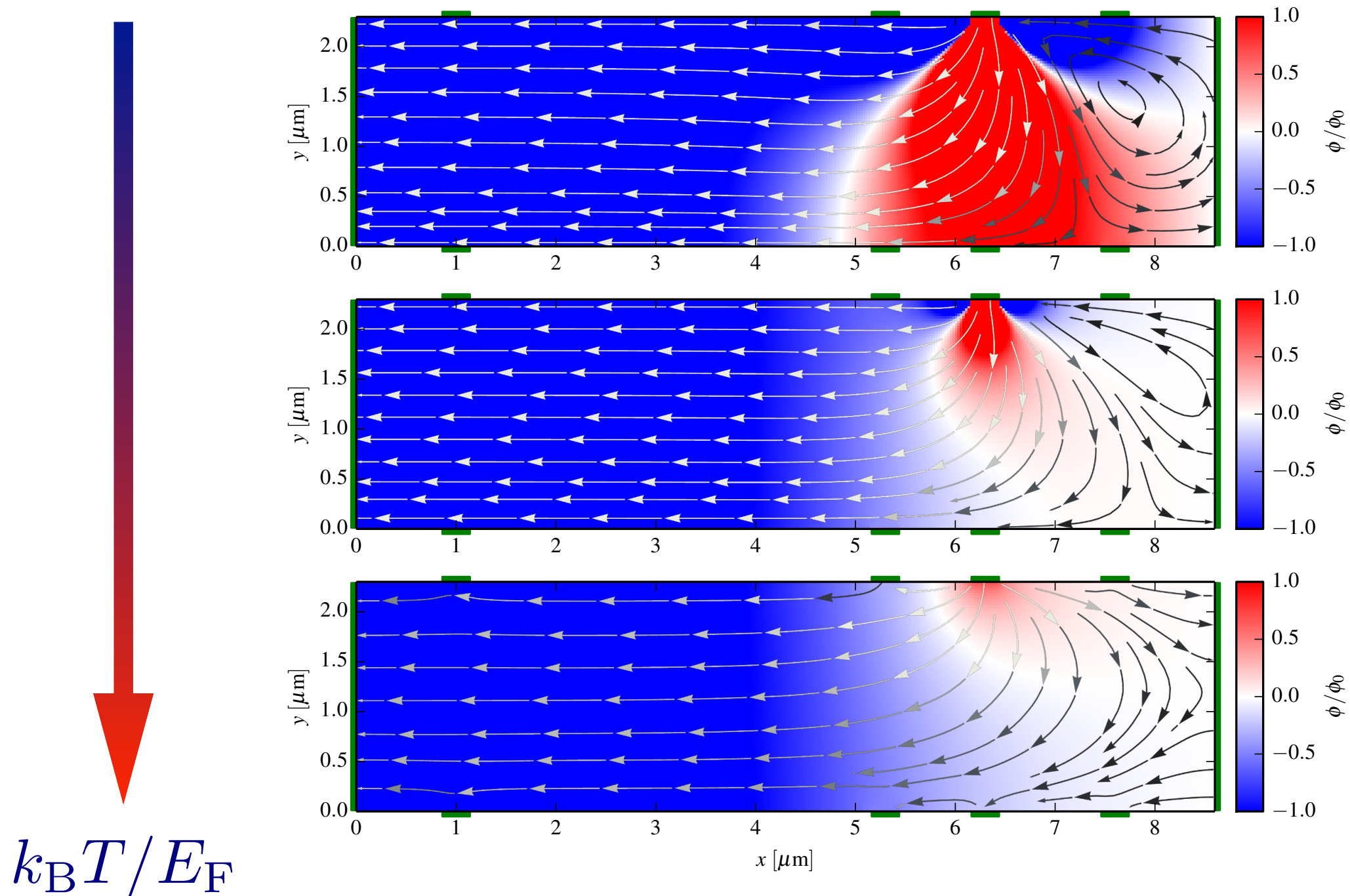
One can recast the problem into a system of 4x4 first-order differential equations

$$\partial_y \mathbf{w}(k_x, y) = \mathcal{M}(k_x) \mathbf{w}(k_x, y)$$

The general solution can be therefore written as:

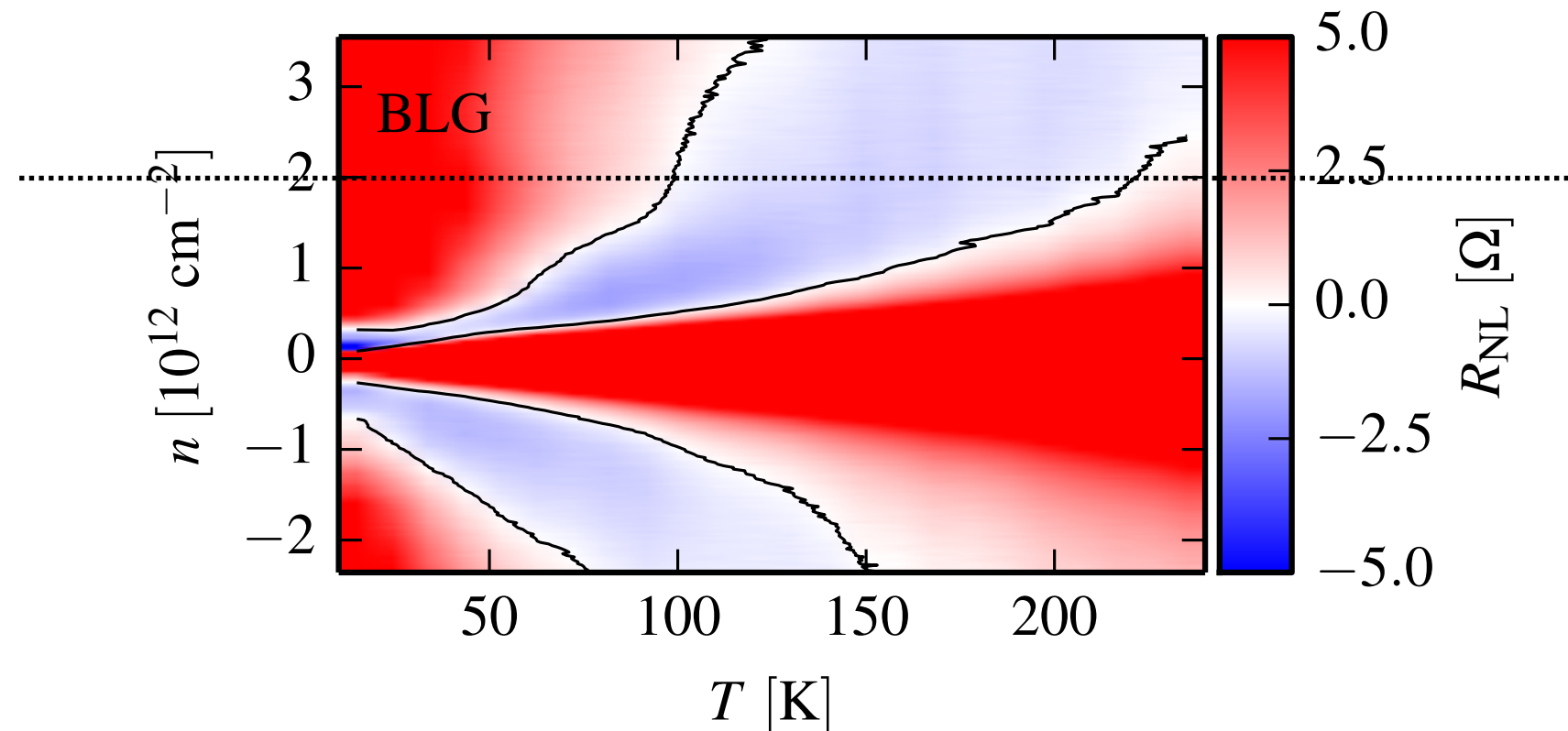
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{w}(k_x, y) = & C_1(k_x) e^{|k_x|y} \begin{pmatrix} i \\ +\text{sgn}(k_x) \\ +i\text{sgn}(k_x) \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + C_2(k_x) e^{-|k_x|y} \begin{pmatrix} i \\ -\text{sgn}(k_x) \\ -i\text{sgn}(k_x) \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ & + C_3(k_x) e^{qy} \begin{pmatrix} +\frac{k_x}{q} \\ -i\frac{k_x^2}{q^2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + C_4(k_x) e^{-qy} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{k_x}{q} \\ -i\frac{k_x^2}{q^2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad q \equiv \sqrt{k_x^2 + 1/D_\nu^2} \end{aligned}$$

Solution of the problem (II)



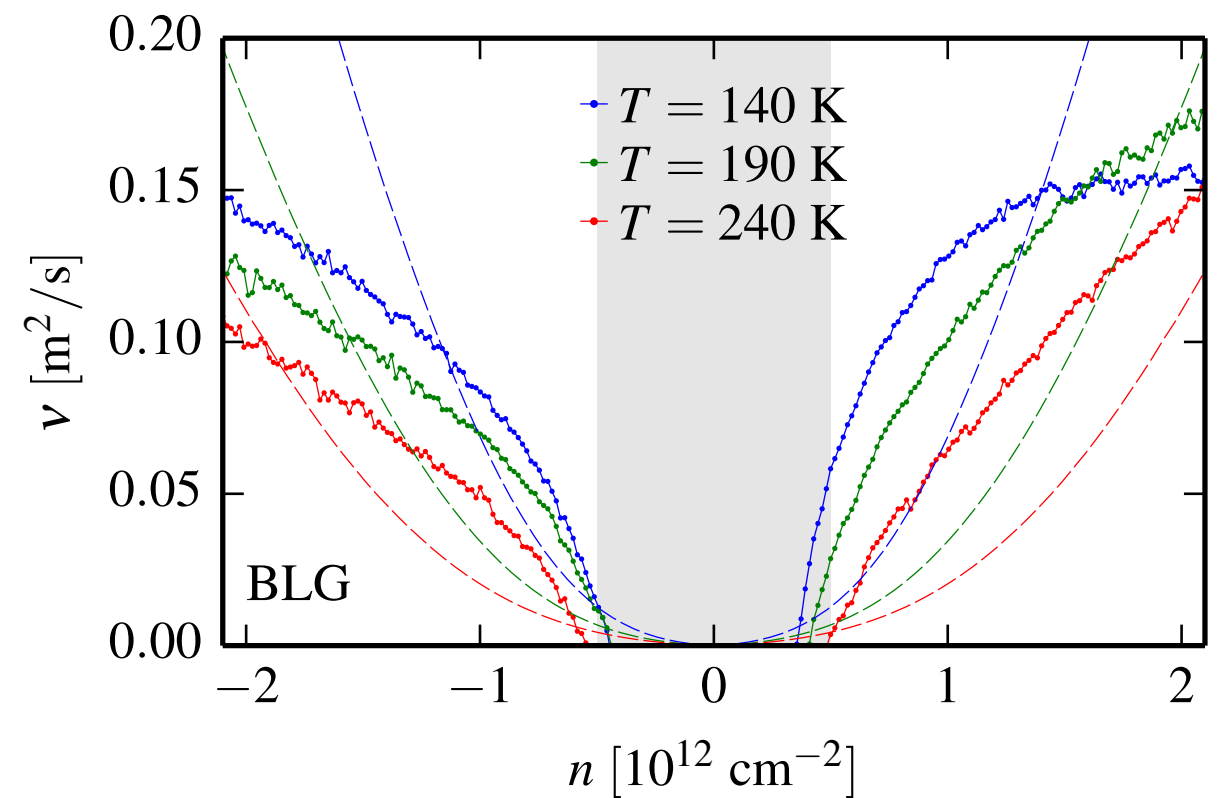
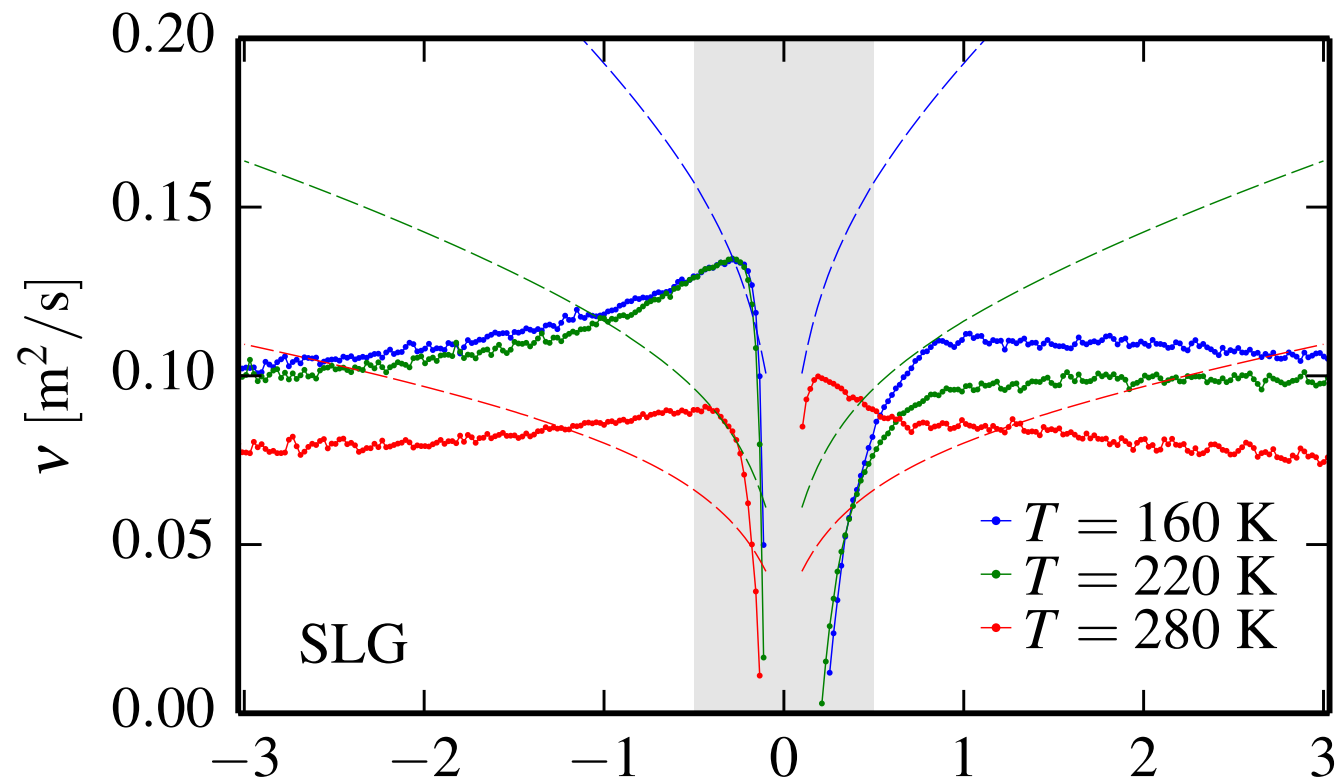
$$\phi(r, \theta) \approx -\frac{I}{\pi\sigma_{\text{dc}}} \left[\ln \left(\frac{r}{D_\nu} \right) + 2D_\nu^2 \frac{\cos(2\theta)}{r^2} \right]$$

Measurement of the vicinity resistance

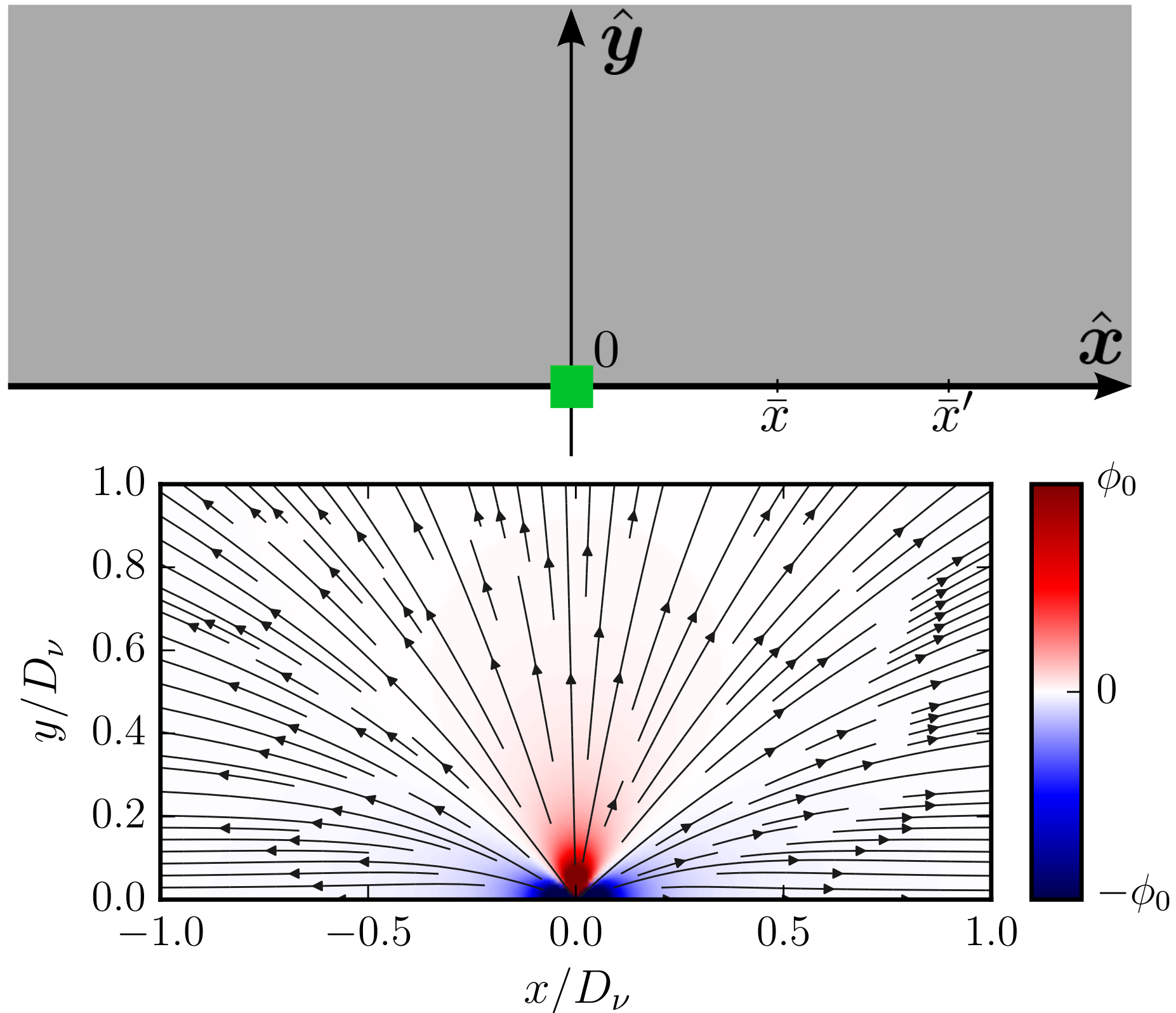


- The **first sign change** signals the crossover from the **ballistic regime** (governed by single-particle quantum mechanics) to an interaction-dominated regime and then the **hydrodynamic regime** (where the anomalous contribution to the potential dominates)
- The **second sign change** signals the crossover from the **hydrodynamic regime** to the ordinary **diffusive regime** governed by local Ohm's law

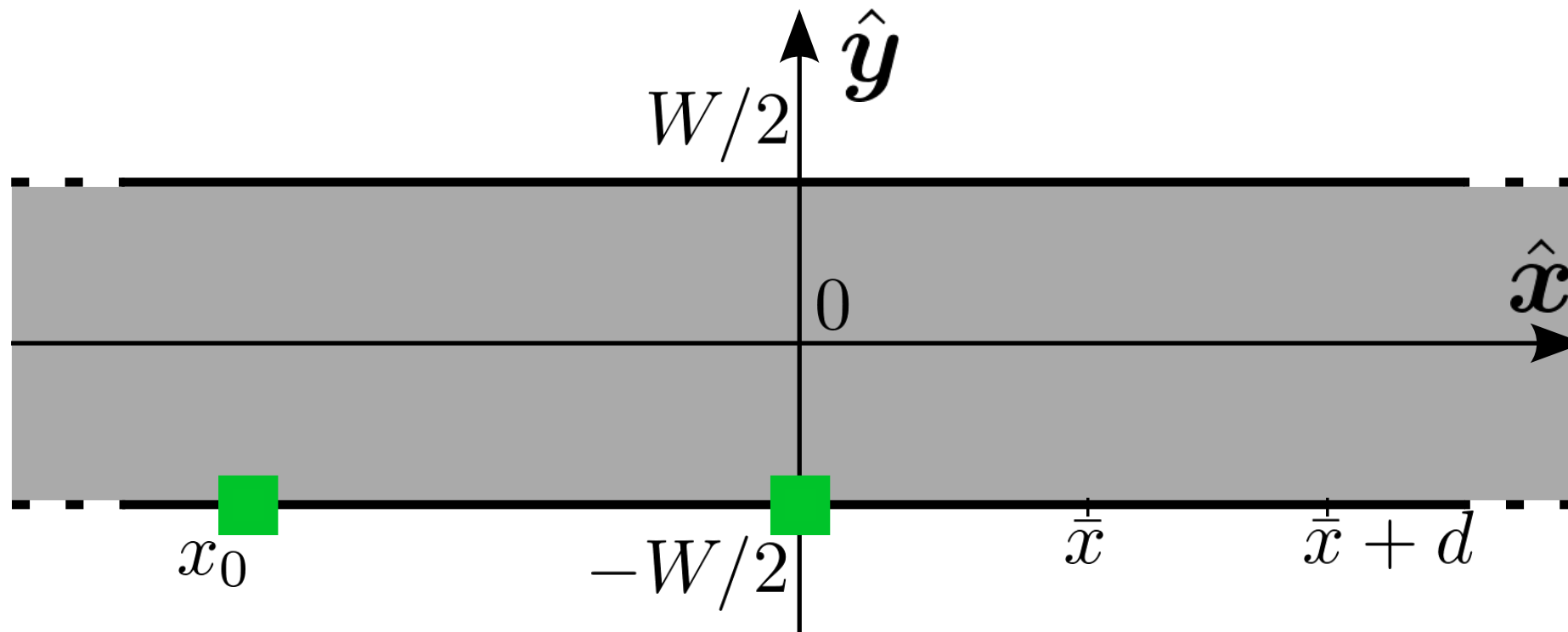
Kinematic viscosity



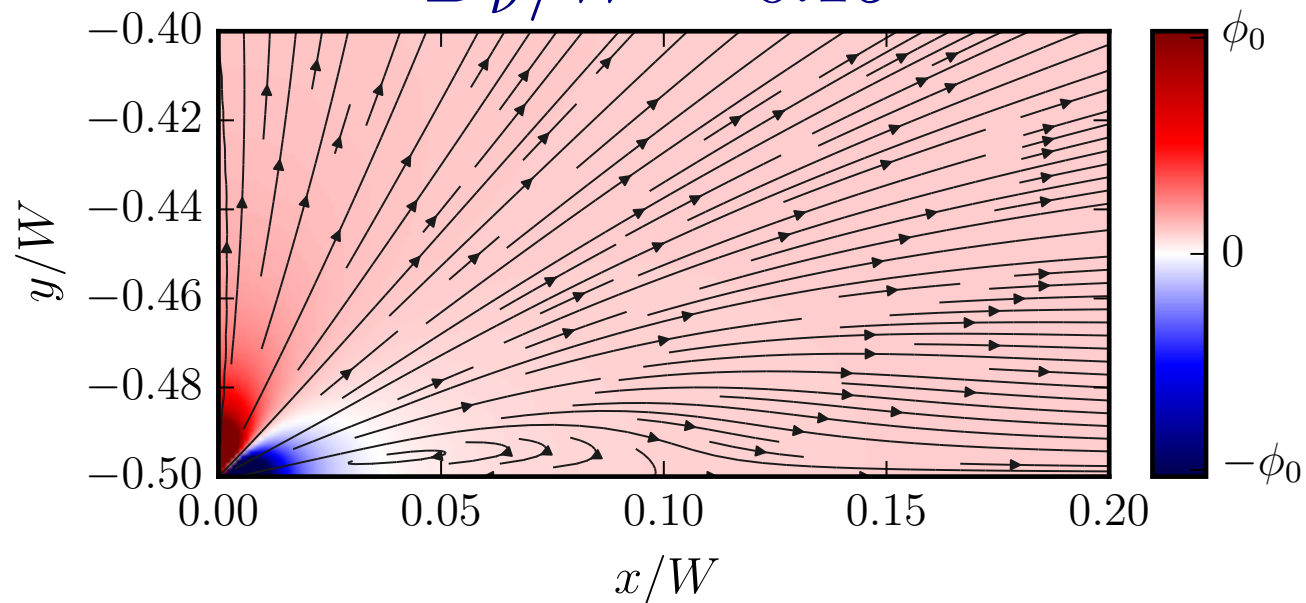
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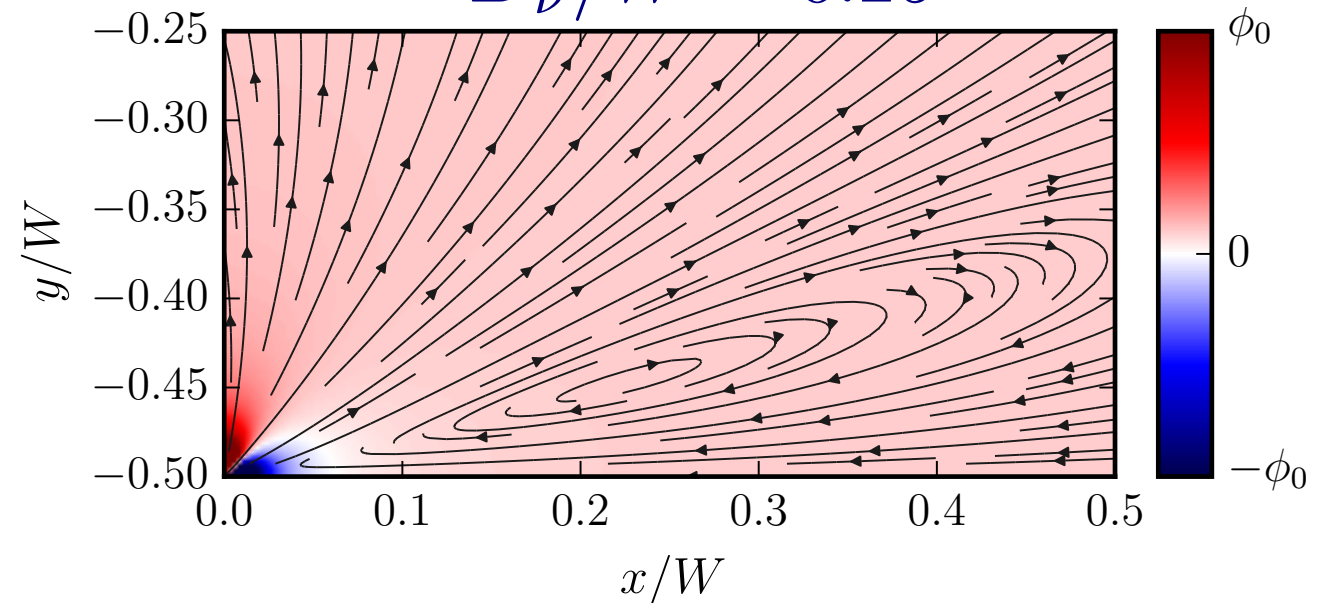
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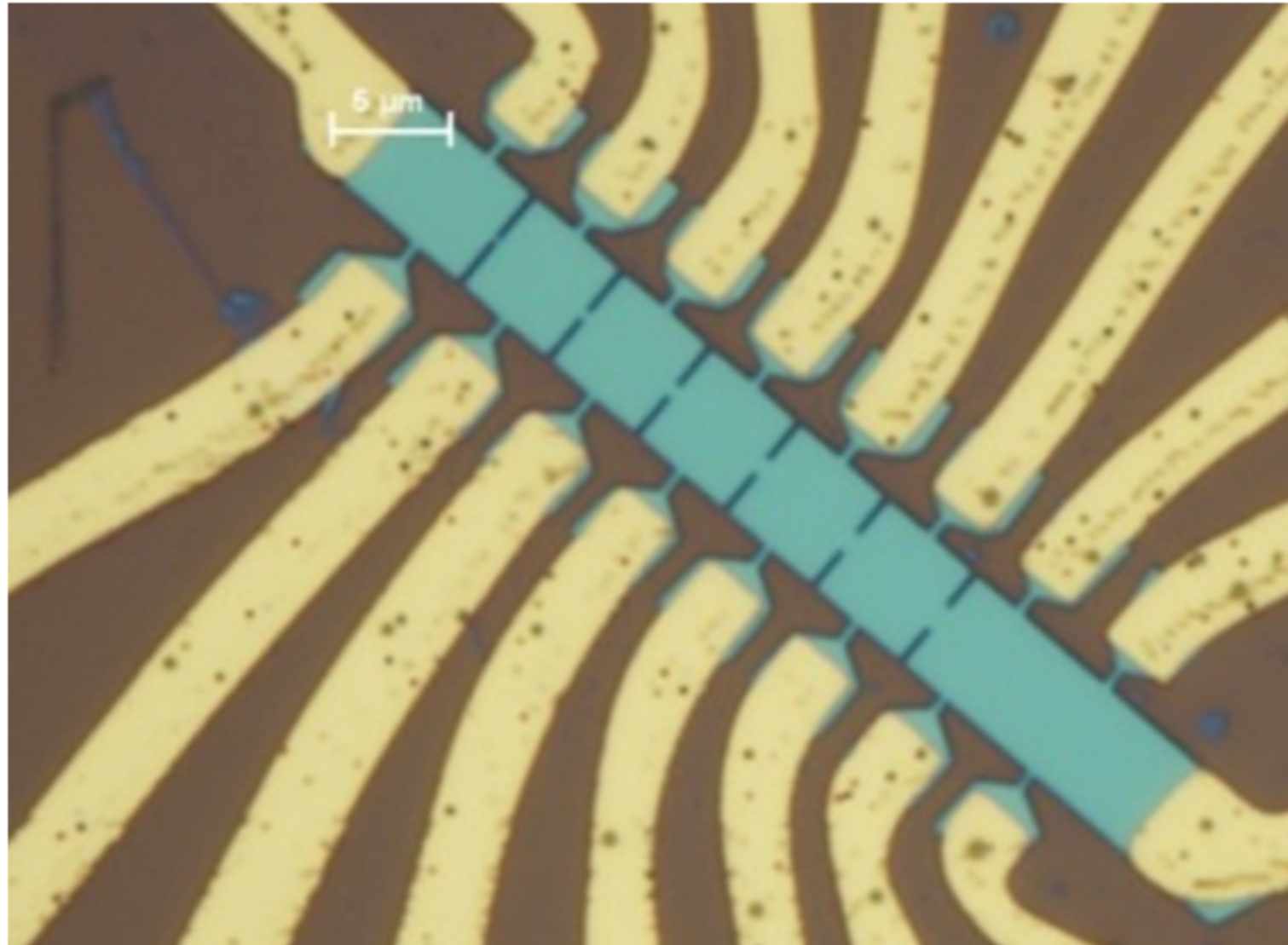
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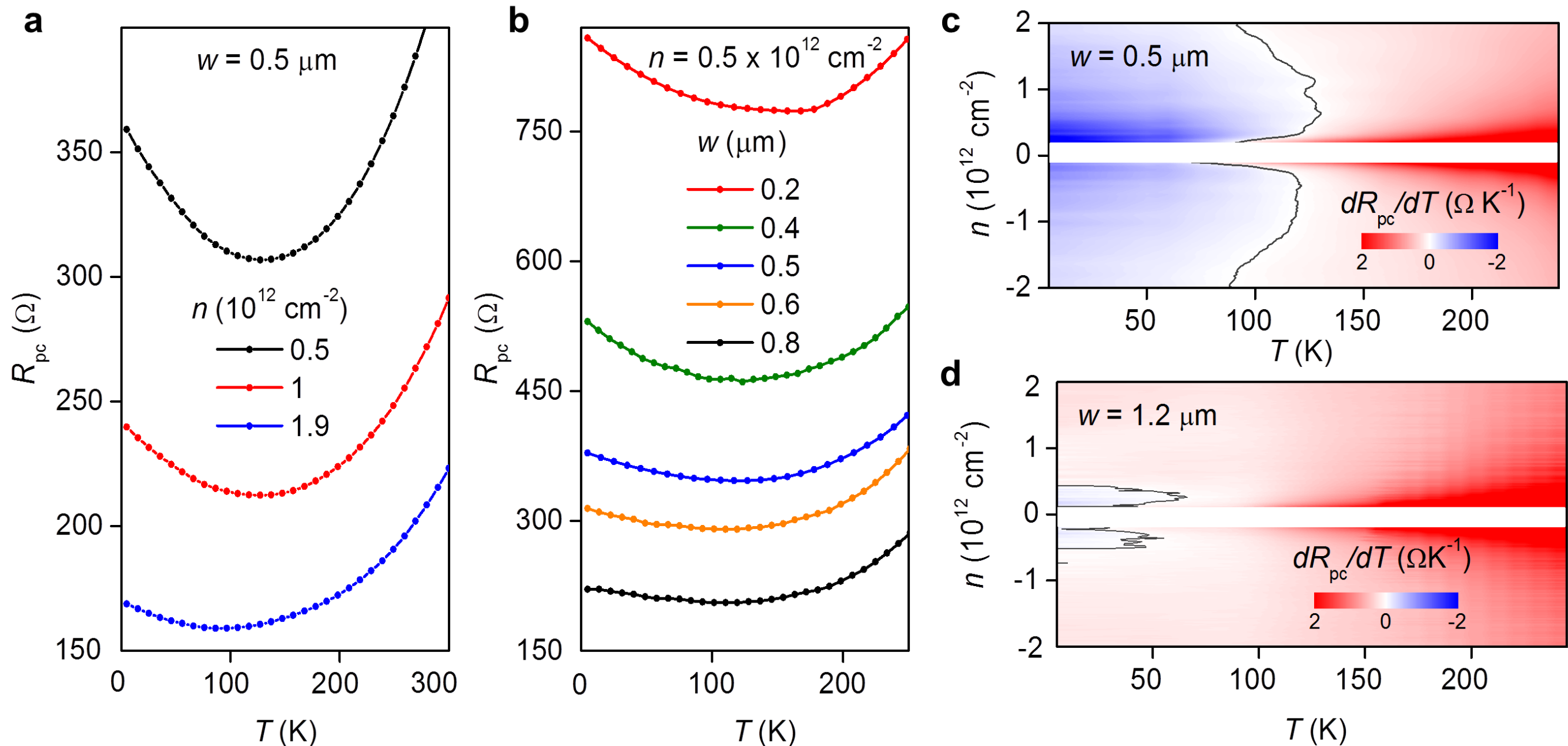
$$D_\nu/W = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \simeq 0.225$$

The "point contact" geometry

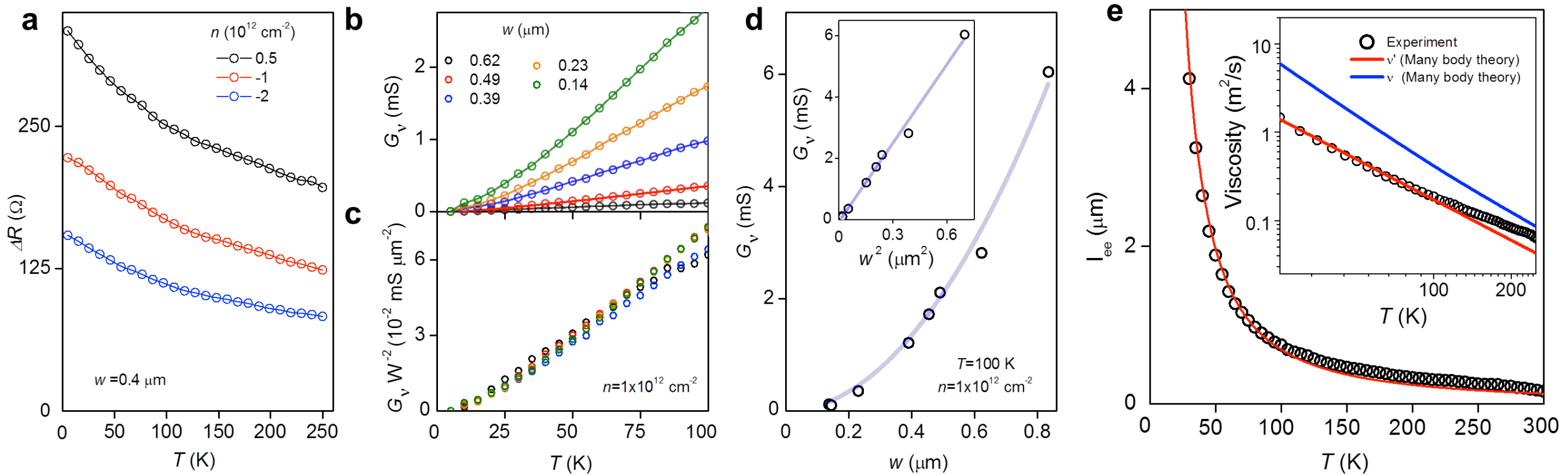
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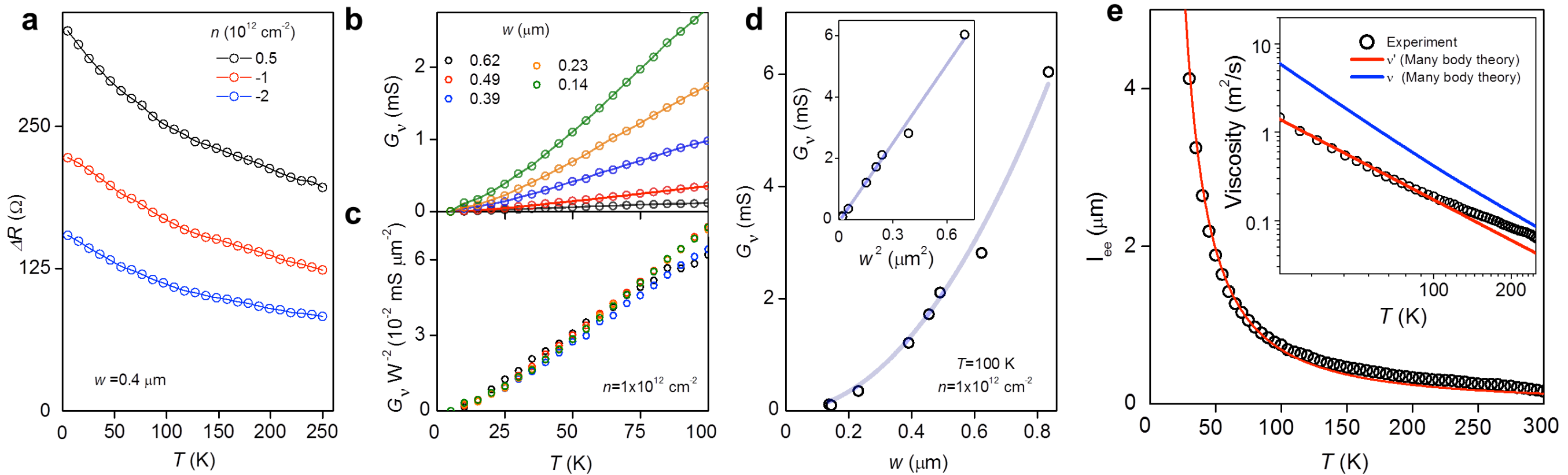
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$$R_{pc} = \frac{1}{\underbrace{G_b}_{\text{Sharvin (ballistic)}} + \underbrace{G_\nu}_{\text{e-e interaction contribution}}} + \underbrace{R_C}_{\text{"contact resistance" (diffusive contribution)}}$$

$$G_\nu = \frac{\sqrt{\pi |n| e^2 w^2 v_F}}{32 \hbar \nu}$$

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Recent developments

Spin-vorticity coupling and viscous magnon fluids



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Nonlocal Spin Transport as a Probe of Viscous Magnon Fluids

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Viscous Hall effect*

Many other papers on measurement protocols to access the Hall viscosity of electron liquids:
Gromov et al., Scaffidi et al., A. Stern et al., E.M. Hankiewicz et al.

Hall viscosity

2D viscous stress tensor

$$\sigma'_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l} \eta_{ij,kl} (\partial_k v_l + \partial_l v_k)$$

where the rank-4 tensor introduced above is given by

Bulk viscosity

Shear viscosity

$$\eta_{ij,kl} \equiv \zeta \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \eta (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk} - \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl}) \\ + \eta_H (\delta_{jk} \epsilon_{il} - \delta_{il} \epsilon_{kj})$$

Hall viscosity

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}' = (\eta + i\eta_H \tau_y) [(\partial_x v_x - \partial_y v_y) \tau_z + (\partial_x v_y + \partial_y v_x) \tau_x] + \zeta \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

Navier-Stokes-Lorentz Eq (I)

We start from the Navier-Stokes equation in the presence of a magnetic field:

$$-\nabla P(\mathbf{r}) + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}'(\mathbf{r}) + e\bar{n}\nabla\phi(\mathbf{r}) - \frac{e}{c}\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{m}{\tau}\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r})$$

Using the previous expression for the viscous stress tensor and introducing the electrochemical potential, we finally get:

$$\frac{\sigma_0}{e}\nabla\phi(\mathbf{r}) = (1 - D_\nu^2\nabla^2)\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) + \omega_c\tau(1 + D_H^2\nabla^2)\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}) \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

which, as usual, needs to be solved together with the continuity equation and suitable BCs (such as no-slip, free surface, or interpolations between the two) on the components of the current orthogonal and tangential to the device boundary

$$D_H = \sqrt{\nu_H/\omega_c} \quad \nu_H \approx \nu_0 \frac{BB_0}{B_0^2 + B^2}$$

Navier-Stokes-Lorentz Eq (II)

Solutions can be found for both free-surface and no-slip BCs, and devices of finite geometry such as Hall bars with finite width.

The solution for a single injector into a half space with no-slip BCs is however enlightening:

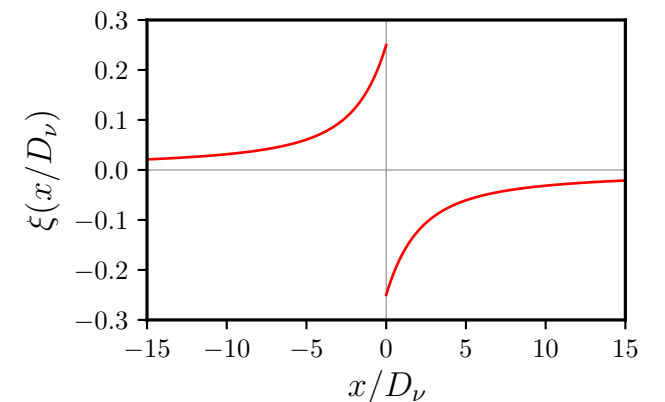
$$\phi(x) = I[r_{\text{even}}(x) + r_{\text{odd}}(x)]$$

$$r_{\text{even}}(x) = -\rho_0 \left[\frac{1}{\pi} \ln \left(\frac{|x|}{D_\nu} \right) + \frac{D_\nu^2}{\pi x^2} + \frac{D_\nu}{\pi |x|} K_1 \left(\frac{|x|}{D_\nu} \right) \right]$$

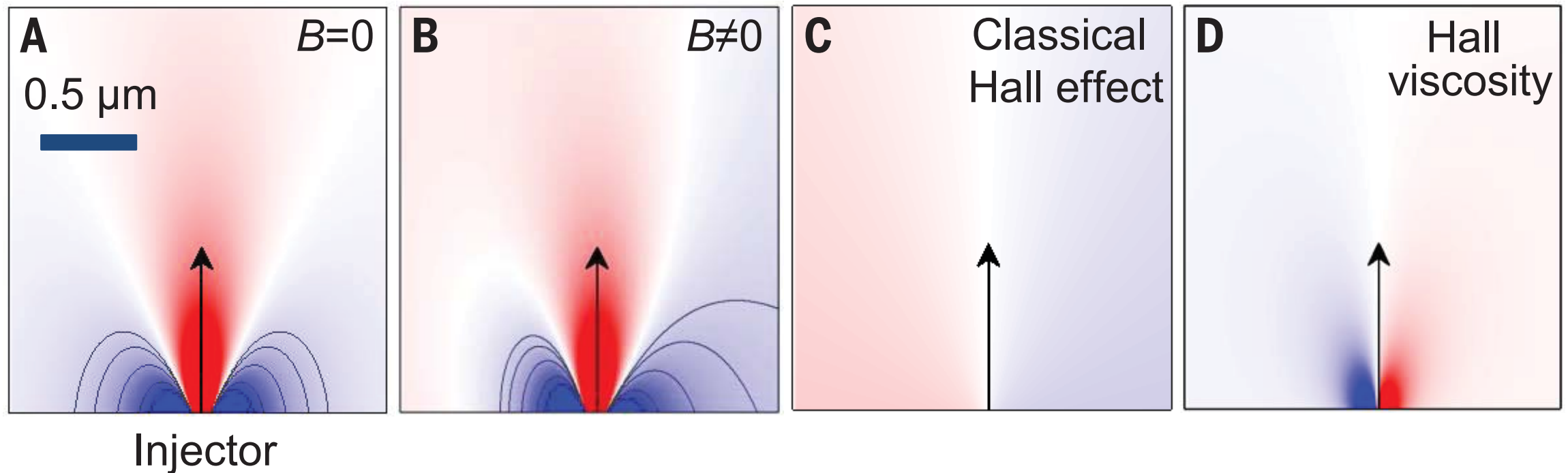
Hall resistivity

$$\rho_H = B / (-e\bar{n}c)$$

$$r_{\text{odd}}(x) = \frac{\rho_H}{2} \text{sgn}(x) - \rho_0 \frac{\nu_H}{\nu} \frac{D_\nu}{2x} \left[\mathbf{L}_1 \left(\frac{|x|}{D_\nu} \right) - I_1 \left(\frac{|x|}{D_\nu} \right) \right]$$



Navier-Stokes-Lorentz Eq (III)

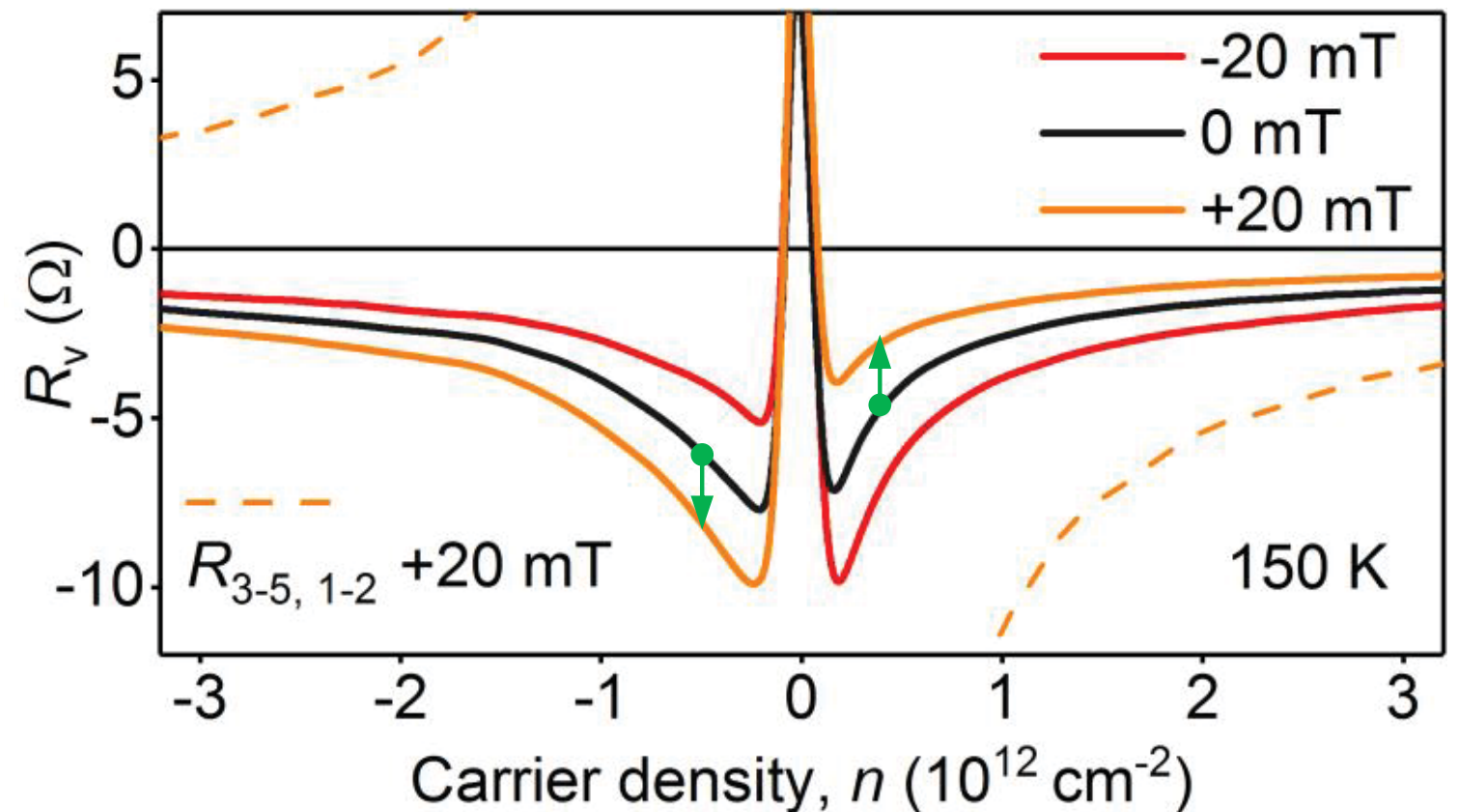
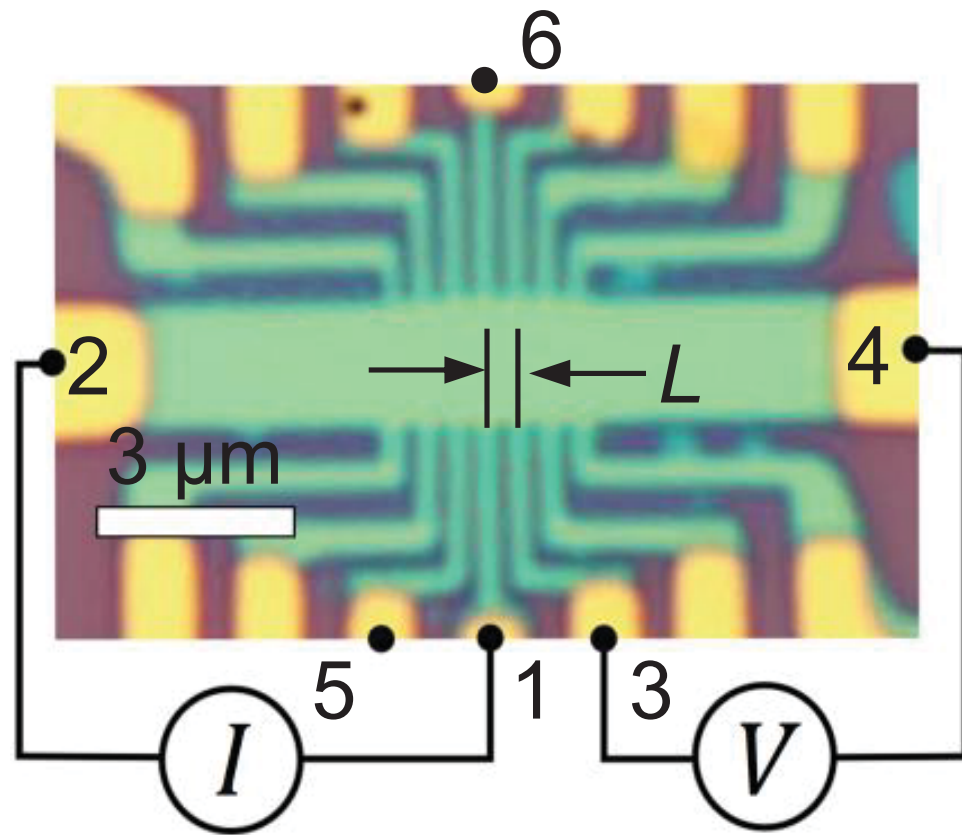


For experimental convenience, in order to extract the Hall viscosity we introduce the **viscous Hall resistance**:

$$R_A(x) \equiv \frac{R_V(x, -B) - R_V(x, B)}{2}$$

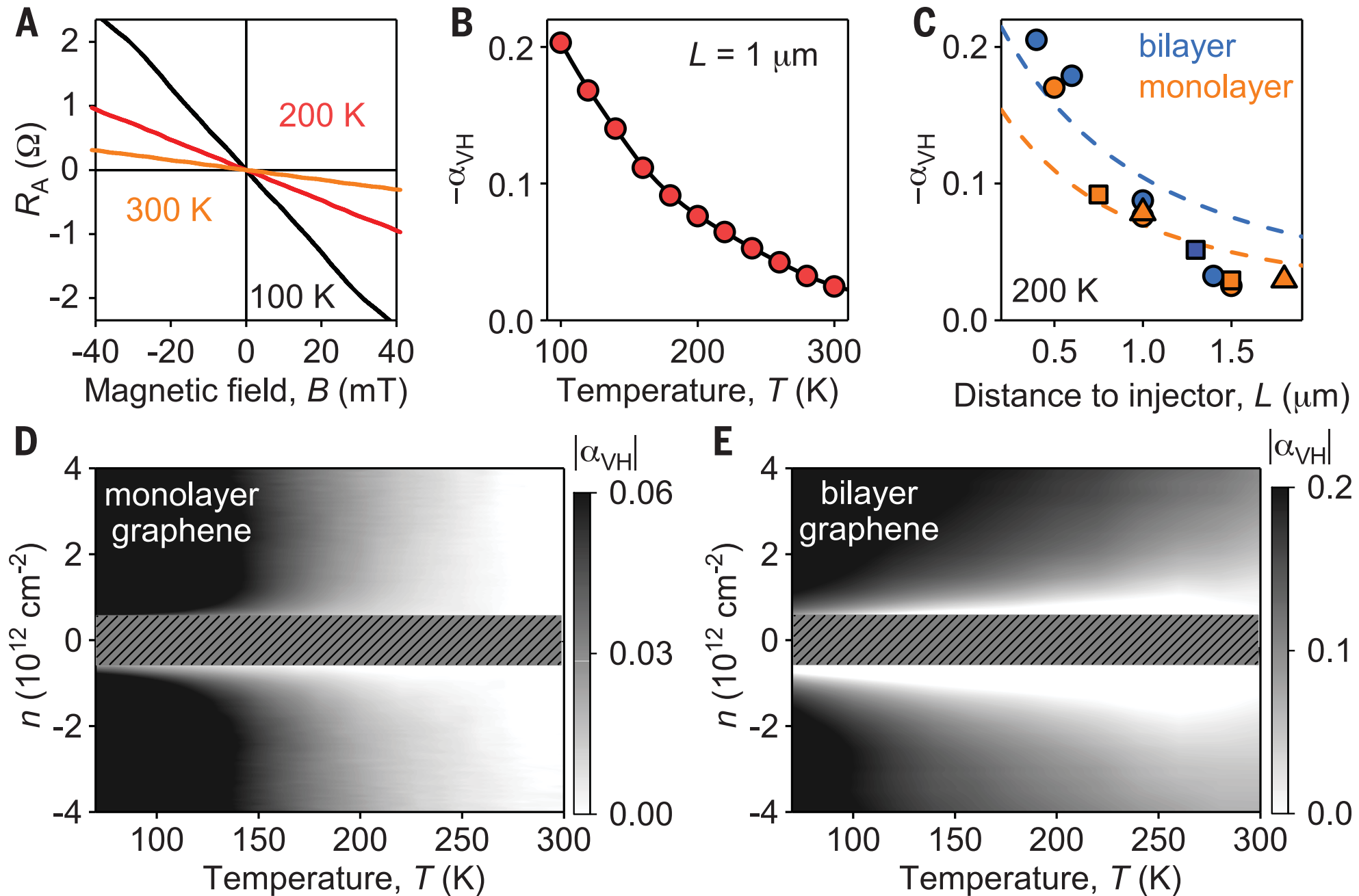
$$= \rho_0 \frac{\nu_H}{\nu} \frac{D_\nu}{2x} \left[\mathbf{L}_1 \left(\frac{|x|}{D_\nu} \right) - I_1 \left(\frac{|x|}{D_\nu} \right) \right]$$

Measuring the Hall viscosity



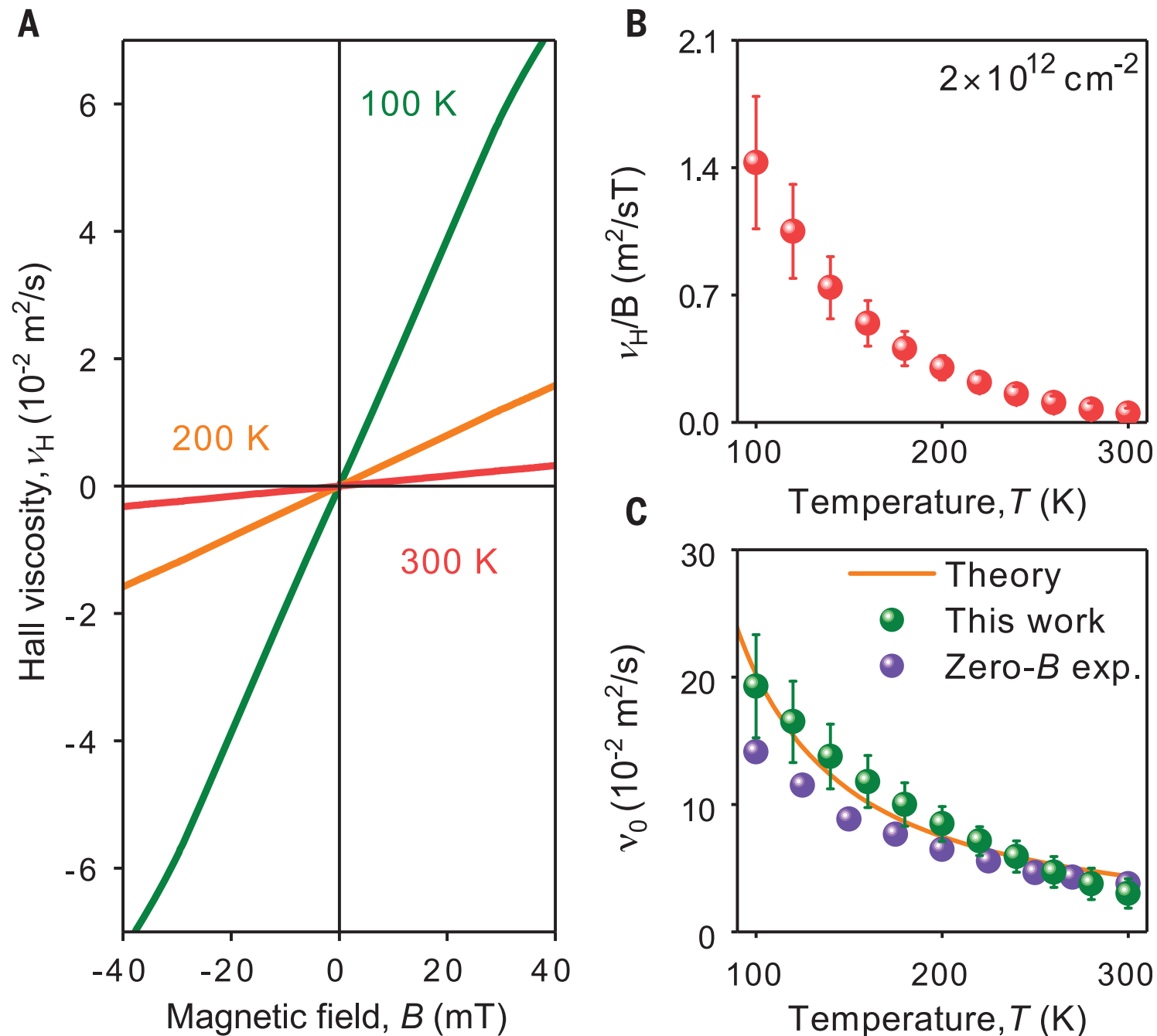
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Take-home messages

- **Vicinity** and **point-contact geometries** have enabled the observation of viscous phenomena in graphene; they may be soon observed in "old" systems including graphite, bismuth, etc. but also strongly correlated and topological materials and, maybe, even "strange metals" such as high-temperature superconductors in the normal state, which are expected to be (minimally) viscous
- The **Hall viscosity** has also been measured in the semiclassical regime; it is certainly very interesting to think about (possibly all-electrical) protocols to measure it in the quantum Hall regime
- Particularly enticing is to extend the existing hydrodynamic studies into the regime where **nonlinear** terms in the Navier-Stokes equation could no longer be ignored. The observation of preturbulence, for example, requires materials with smaller ν and longer τ as compared to the 2DESs studied so far

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