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Spintronics

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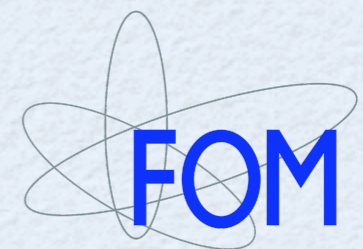
Graphene



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- ~~Introduction: graphene~~ last talk of a graphene workshop...
- Introduction: (4-terminal) lateral spin valves
- Making graphene based devices
- RT spin valve / precession measurements on graphene
- Spin vs charge diffusion; relaxation mechanism, anisotropy
- Carrier drift: controlling the transport / injection
- And finally: transport through p-n junctions

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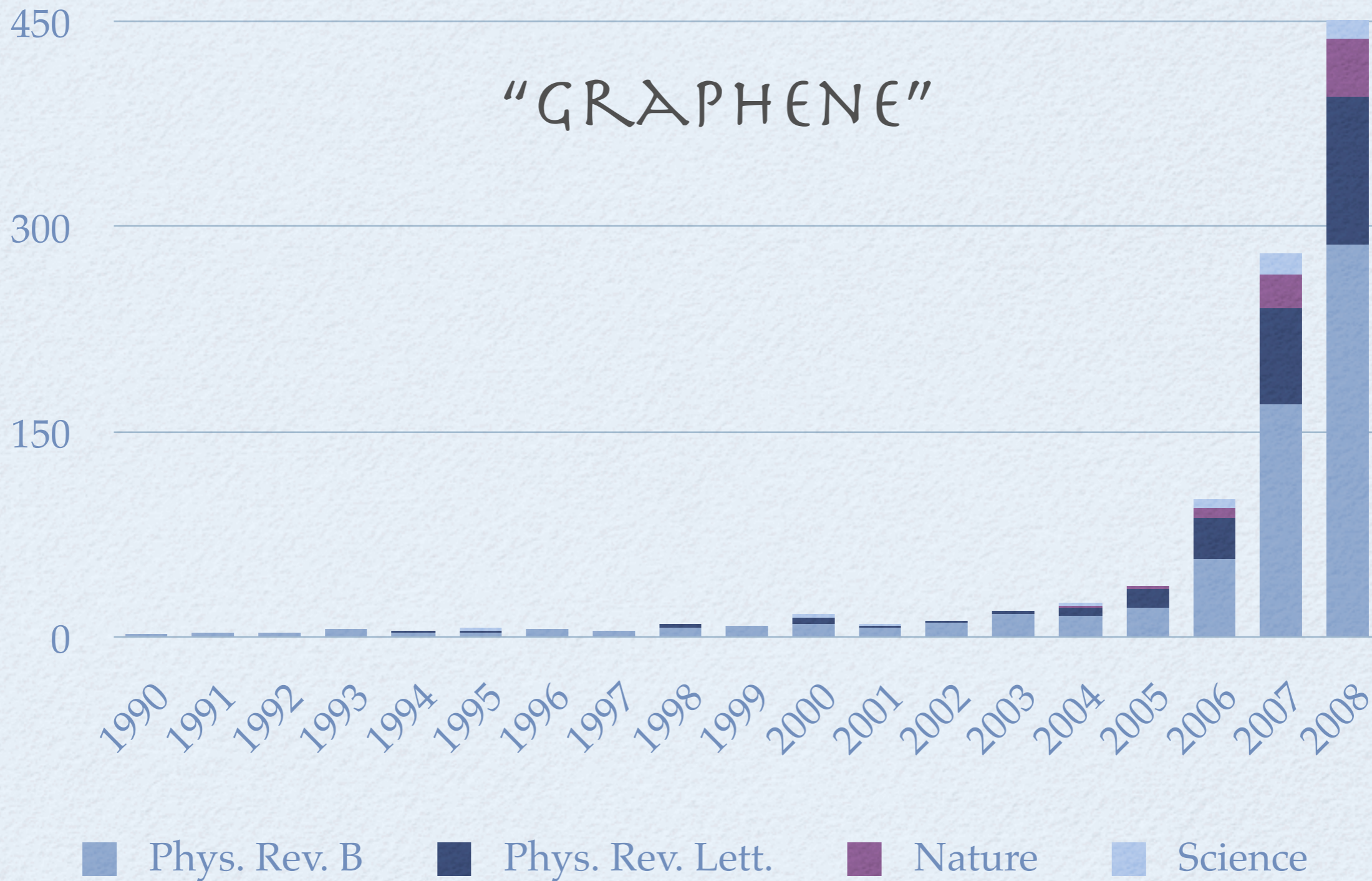
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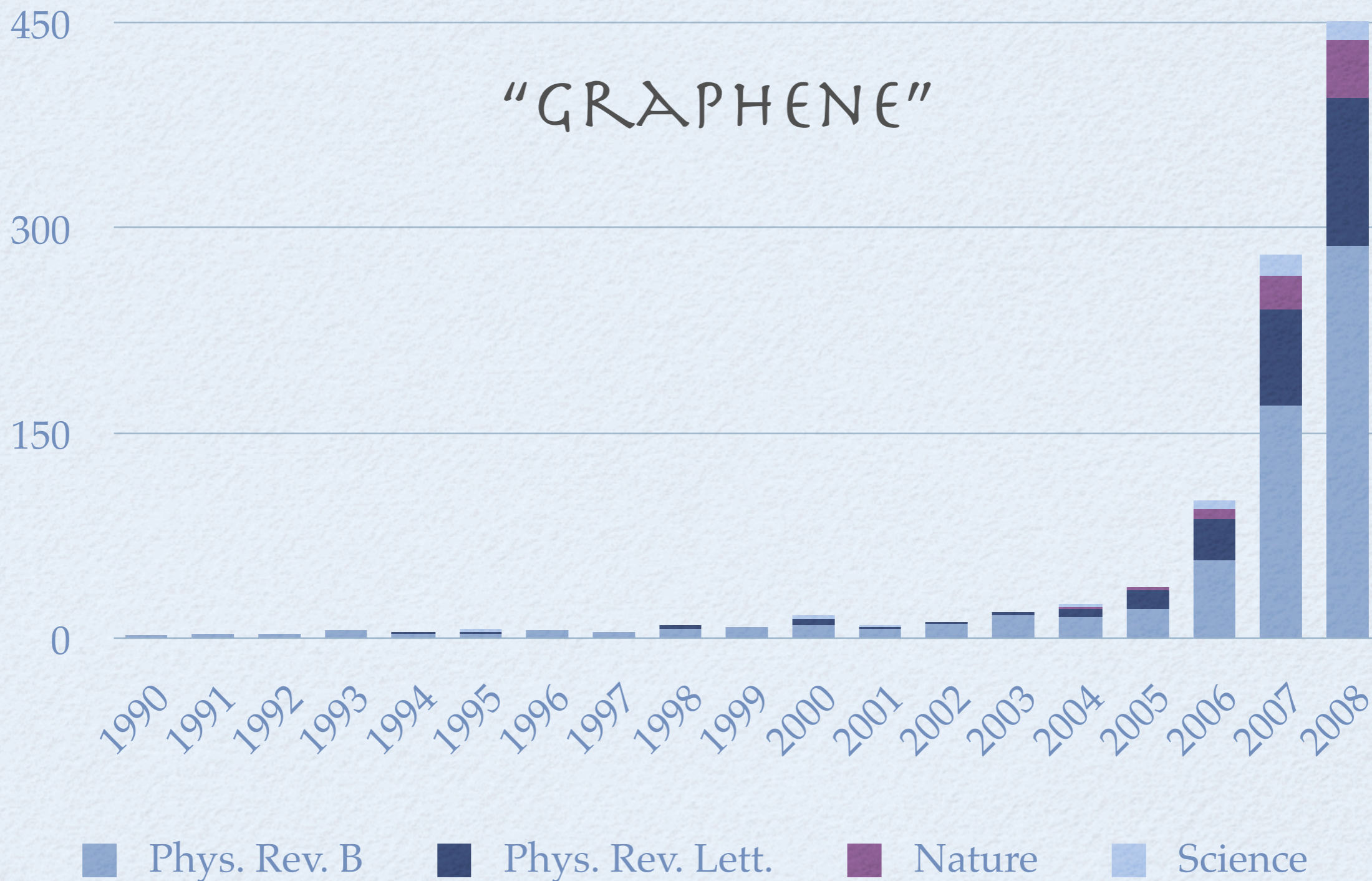
**BUT**  
of all these,  
graphene is the youngest!  
(and very much alive)

# "GRAPHENE"



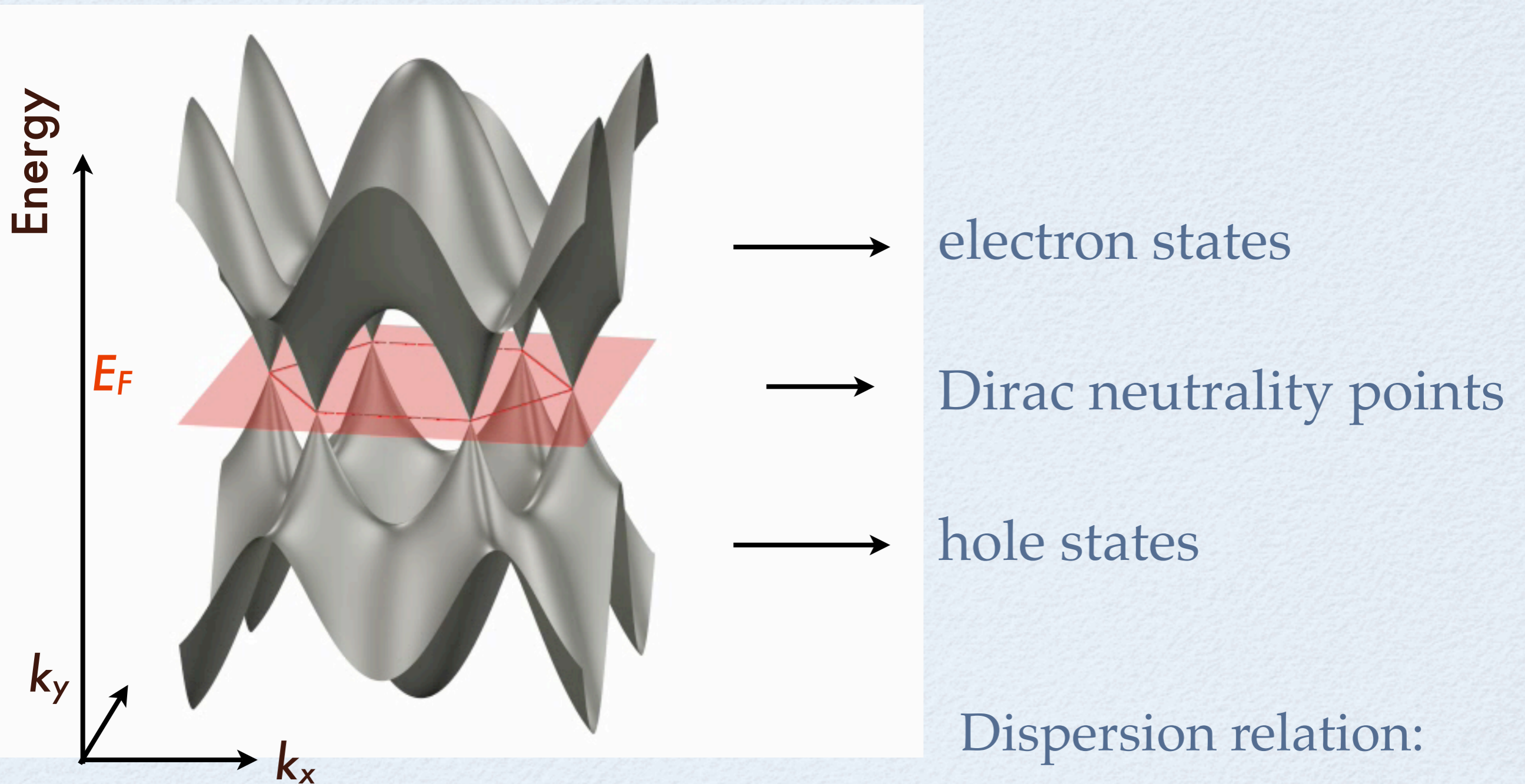
# BEST THING SINCE SLICED BREAD?

"GRAPHENE"





# GRAPHENE BANDSTRUCTURE

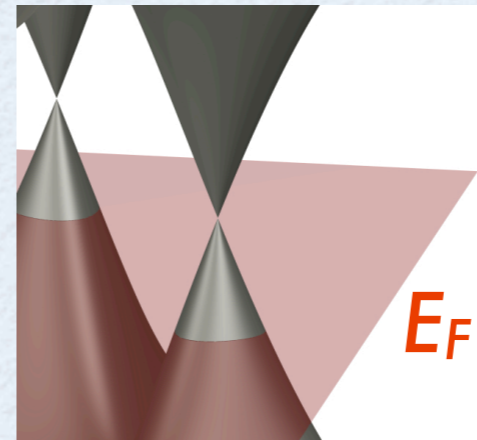


Dispersion relation:

$$E(k_x, k_y) = \pm t \sqrt{1 + 4 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} k_x a\right) \cos\left(\frac{1}{2} k_y a\right) + 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{1}{2} k_y a\right)}$$

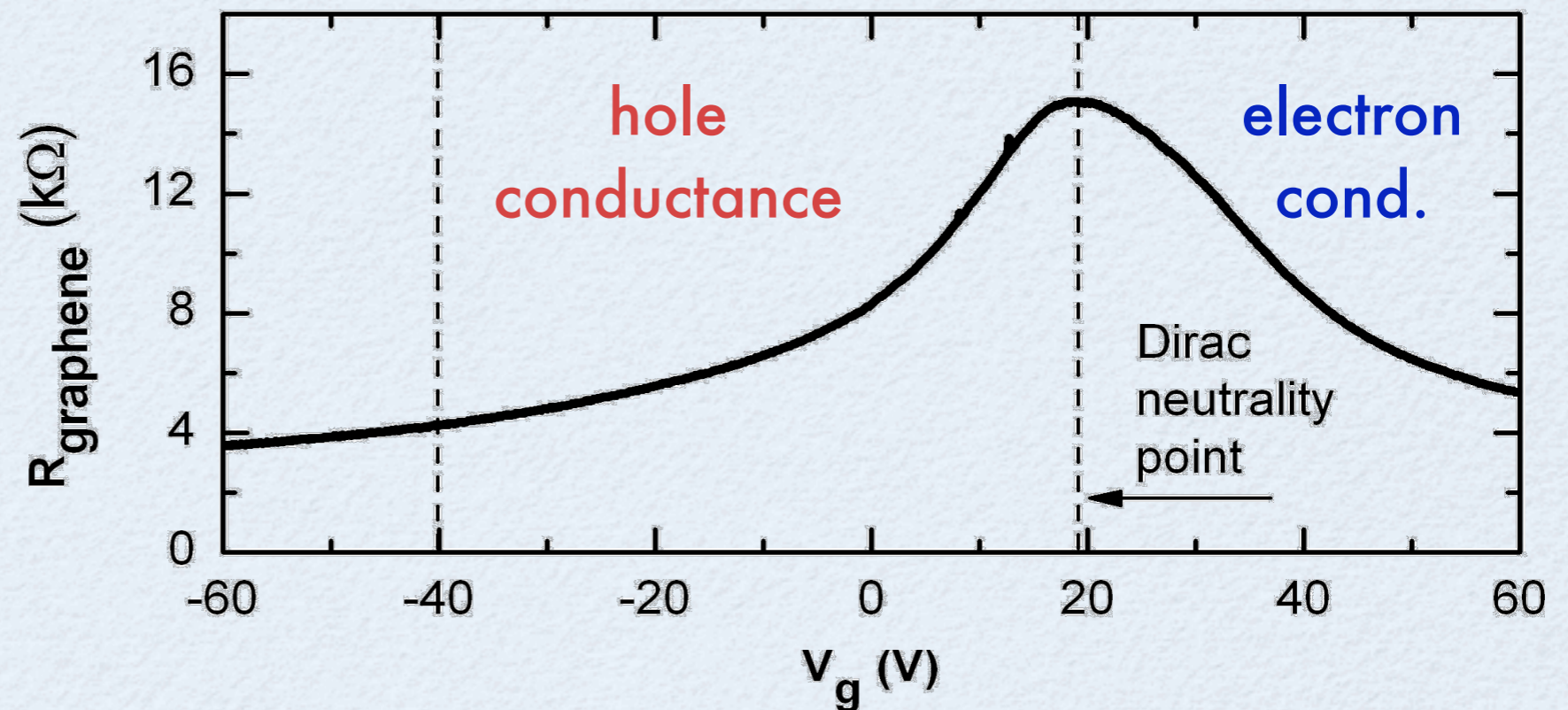
# GATE VOLTAGE DEPENDENCE

4-terminal electrical measurement  
of graphene resistance:



*Einstein relation:*

$$\sigma(E) = v(E) e^2 D(E)$$



*Existence of minimum conductivity: A.K. Geim & K.S. Novoselov, Nature Materials 6, 183 (2007)  
and everybody else who does CHARGE transport...*

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Theory predicted (“folklore”?):

- Weak spin-orbit + hyperfine interactions
- Long spin relaxation  $T_1$  and dephasing  $T_2$  times (5-50 ns)  
→ spin qubit, quantum computation?

With high mobilities:

- spin-flip length up to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  at RT?
- low power non-volatile spin logic devices, p-n junctions
- robust, thin (=high integration density)

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# ABOUT SPIN RELAXATION

## i: Elliott-Yafet:

spin flip induced by scattering;

$$\tau_s \sim \tau_d$$

## ii: D'yakonov-Perel:

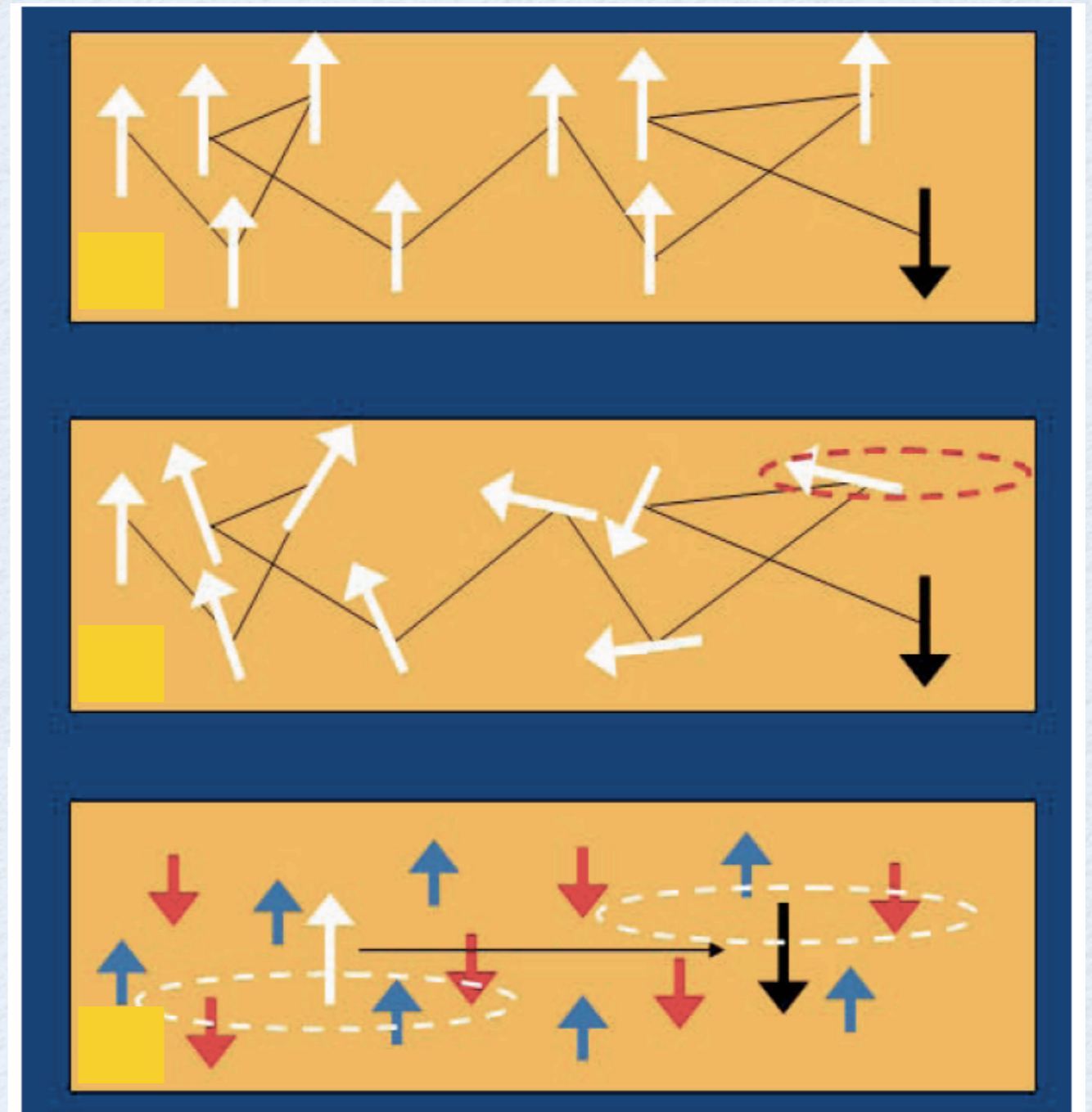
spin precession around fluctuating effective magnetic field;

$$\tau_s \sim 1/\tau_d$$

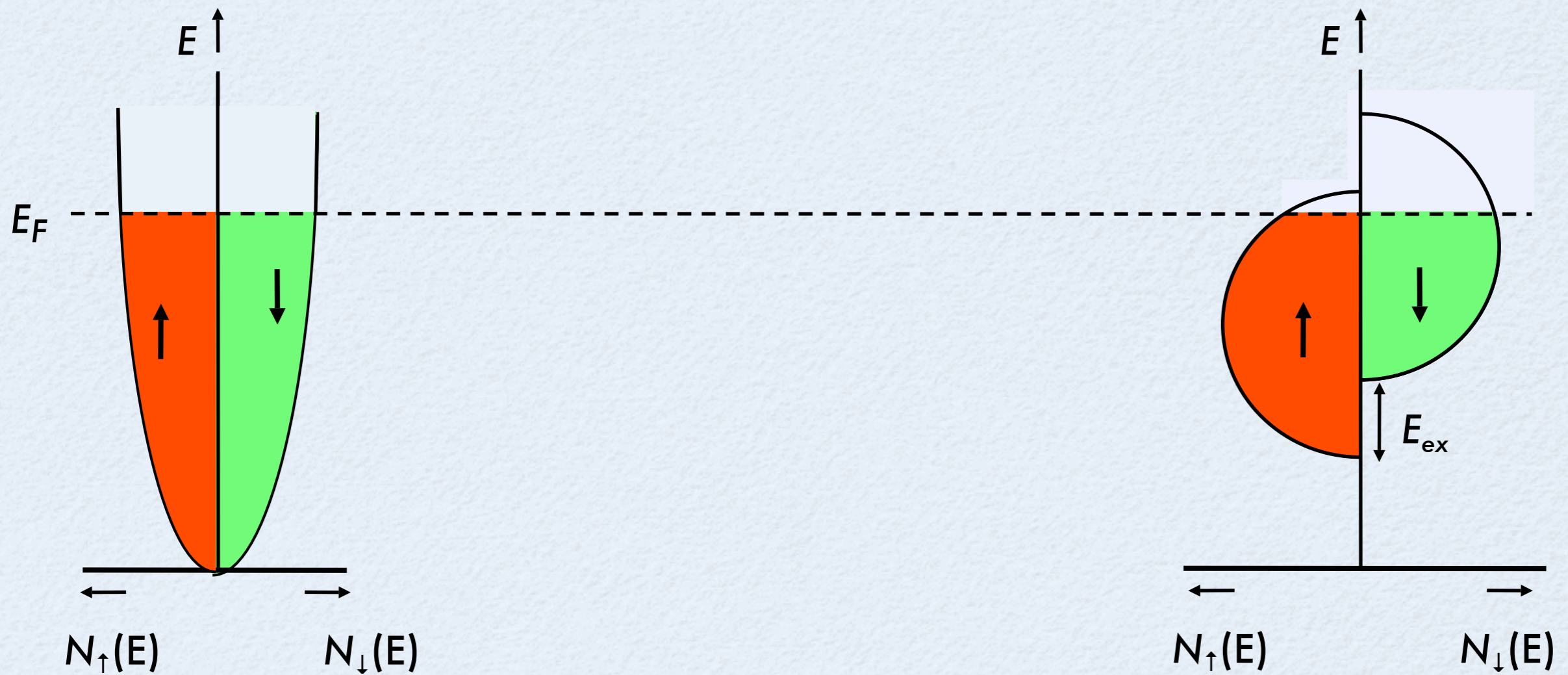
## iii: hyperfine:

interaction with nuclear spin;

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# SPIN INJECTION: THE BASIC PICTURE

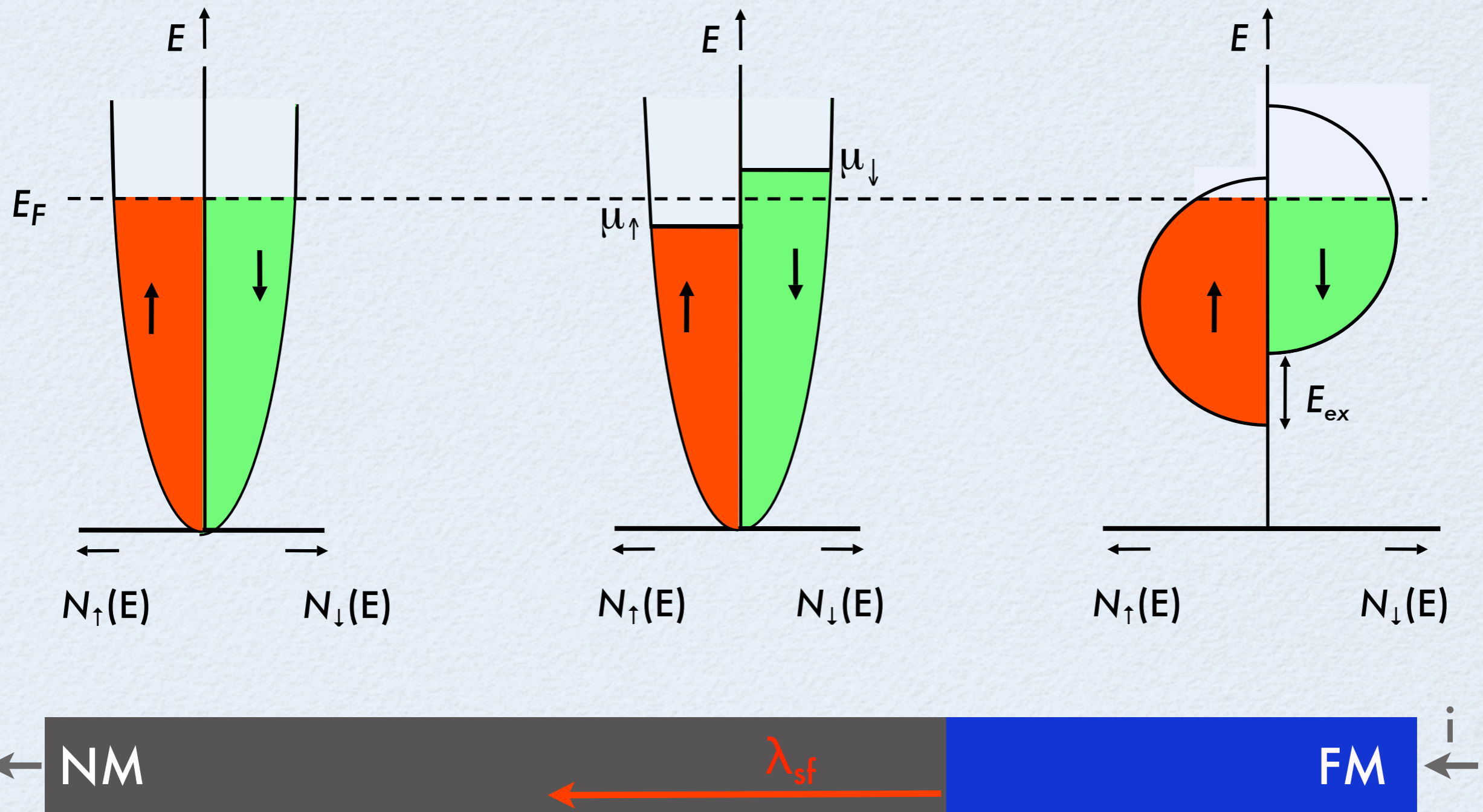


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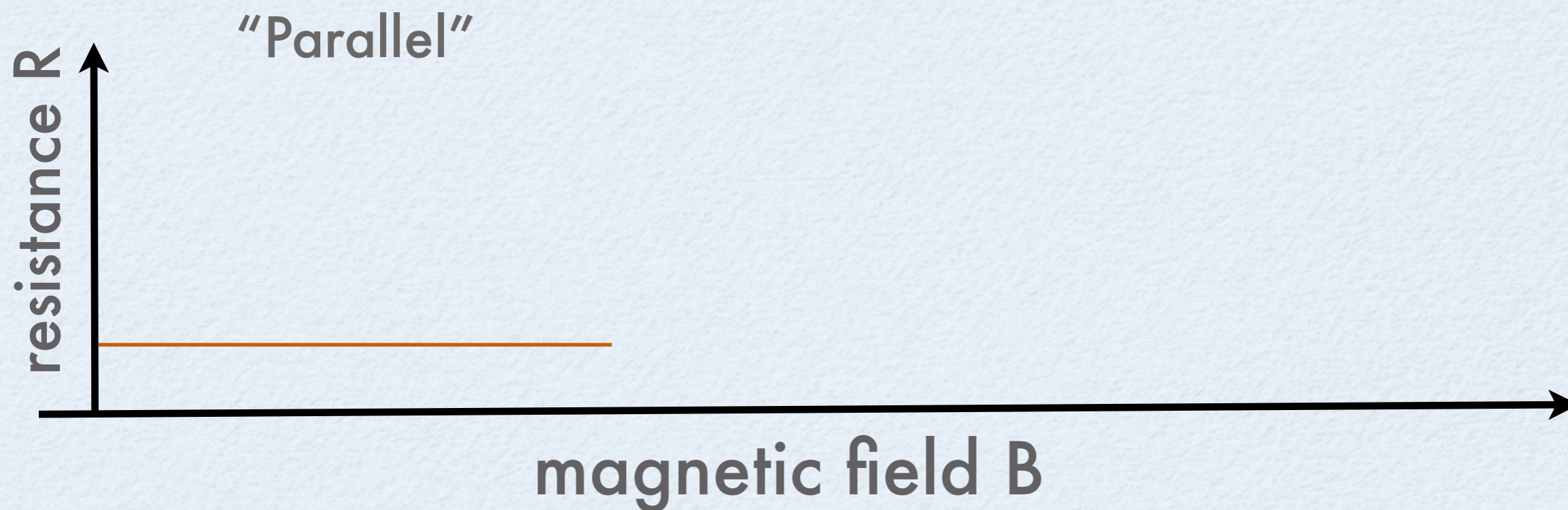
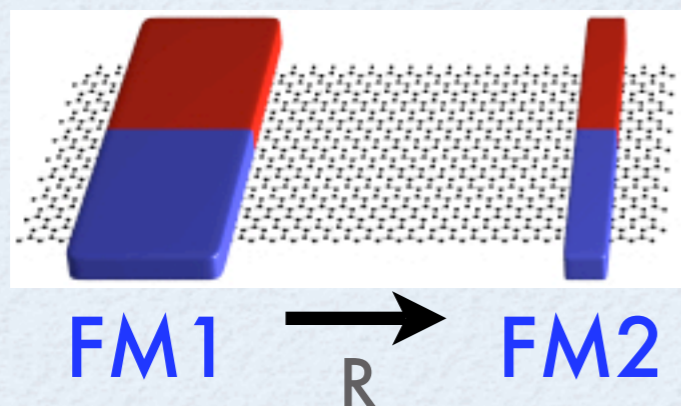
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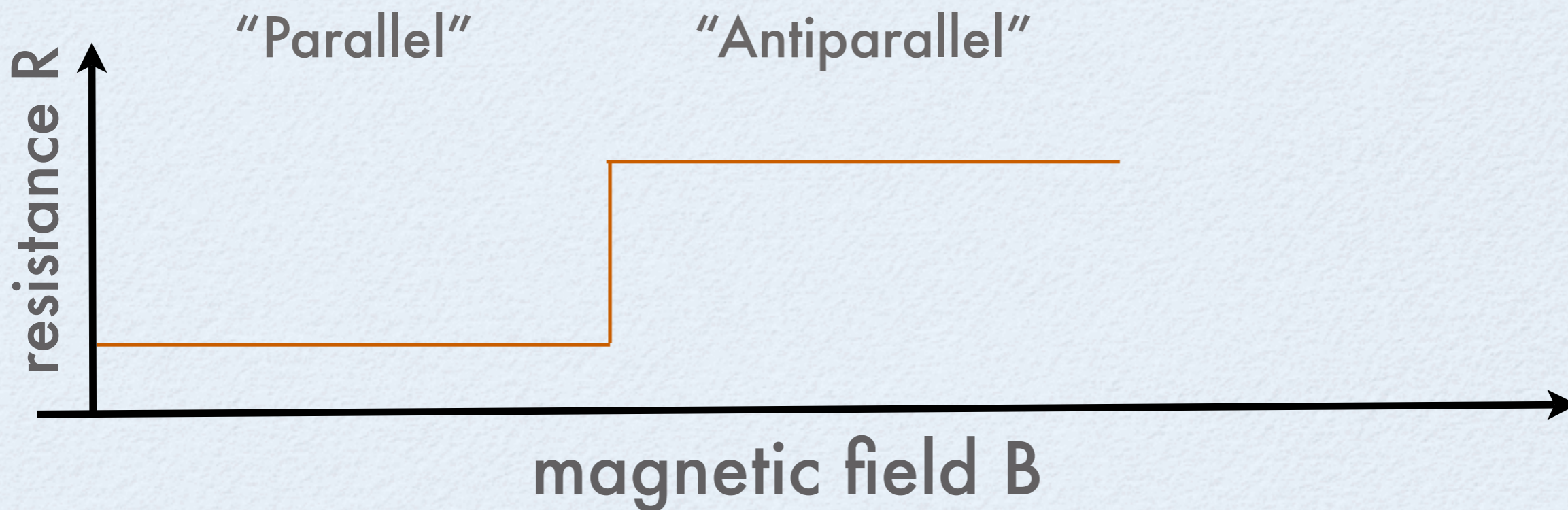
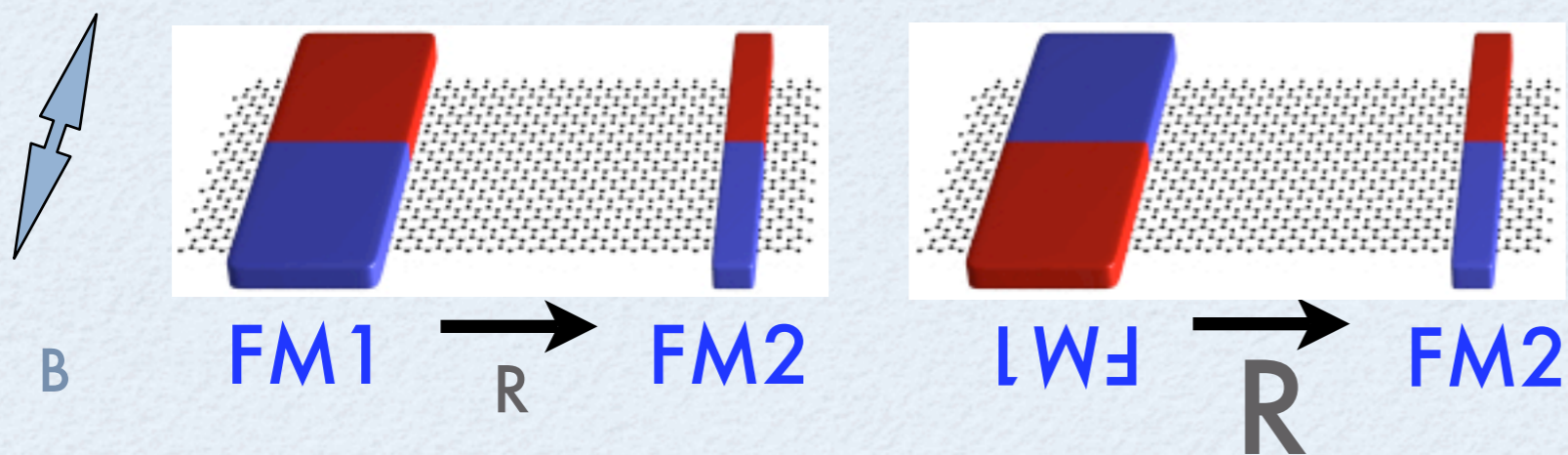
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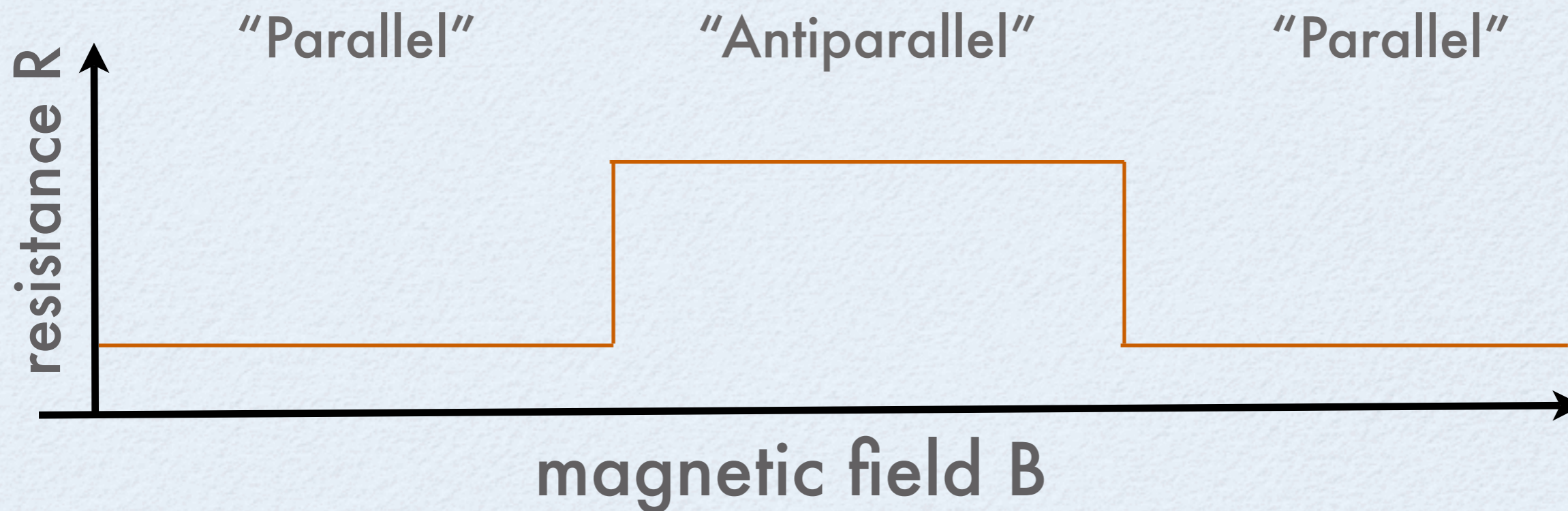
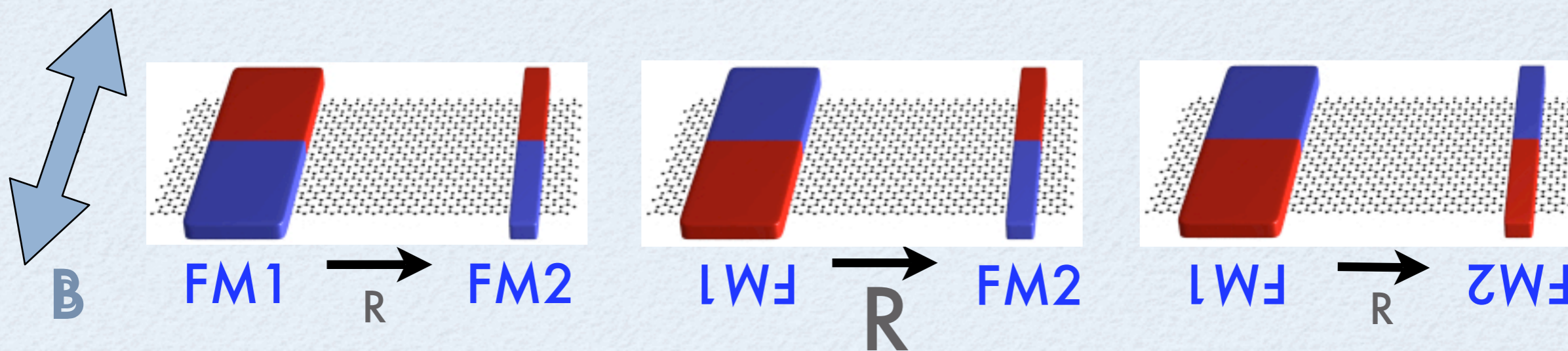
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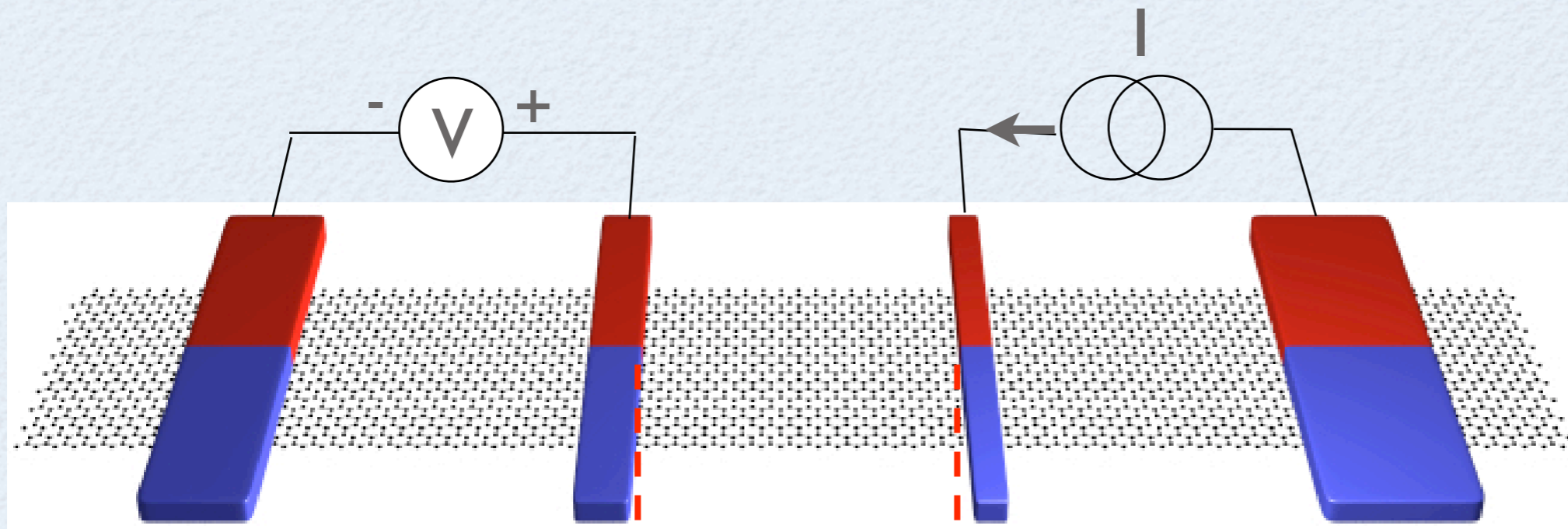
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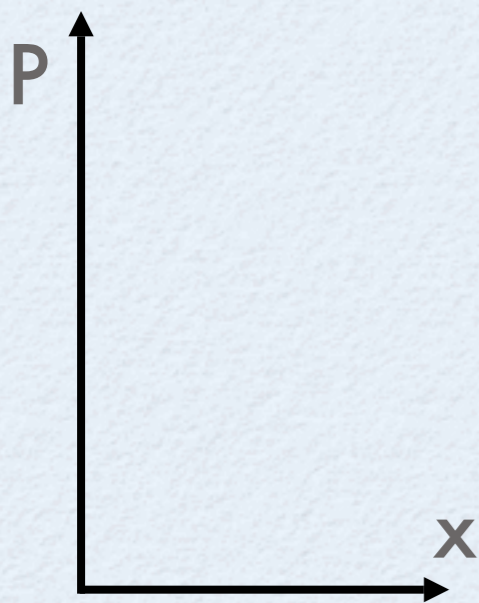
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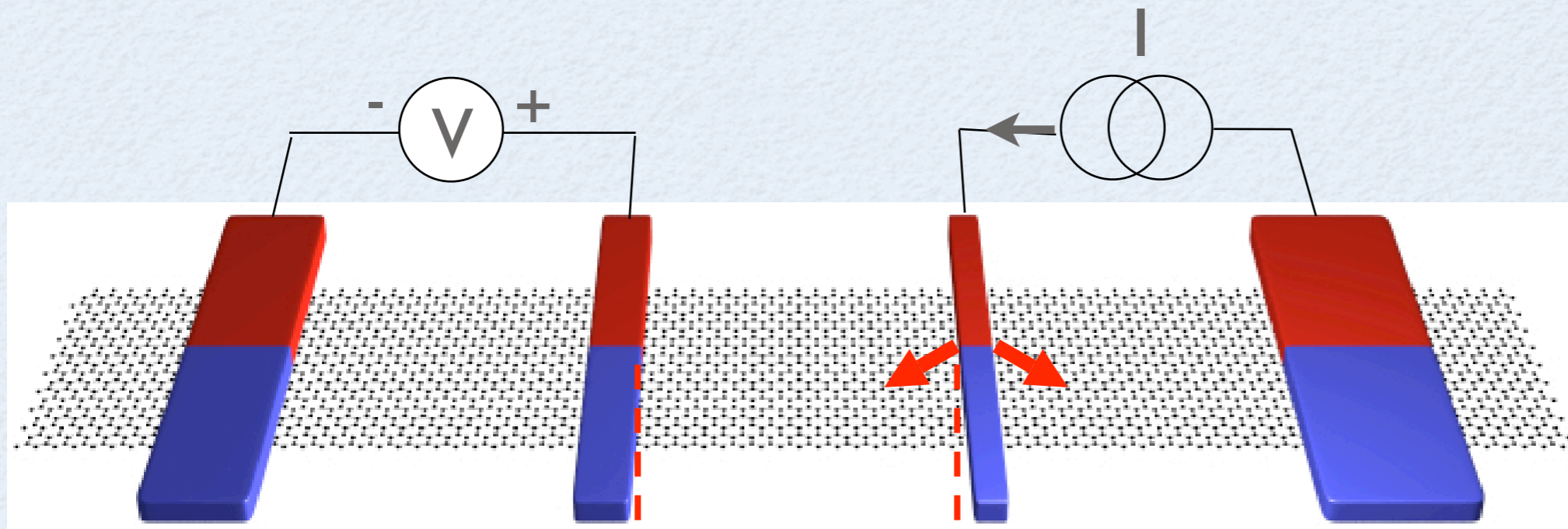
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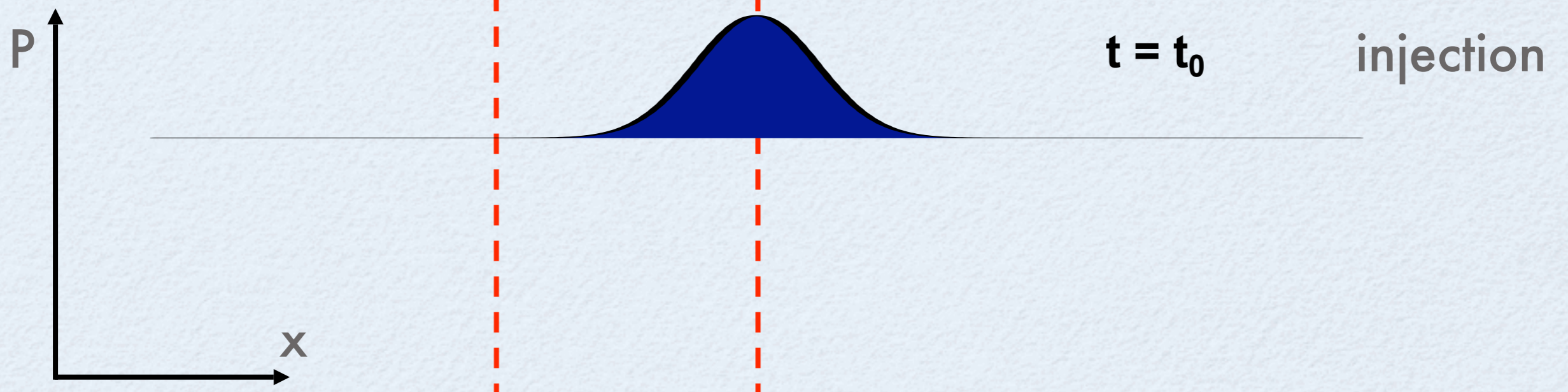
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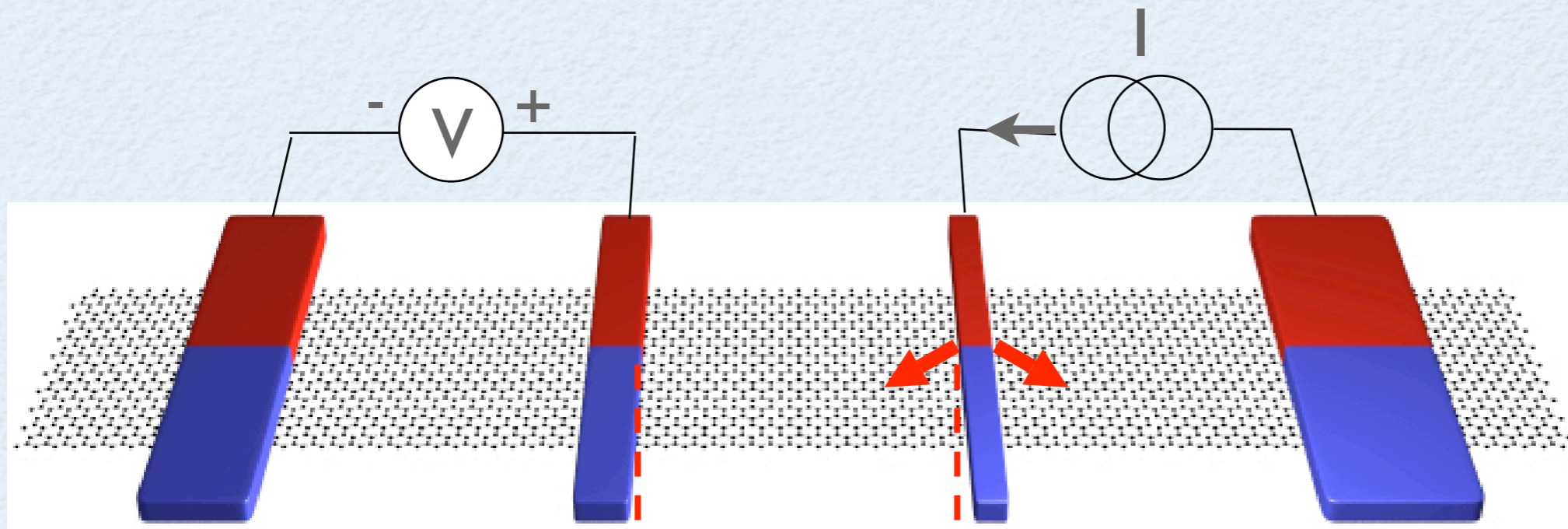
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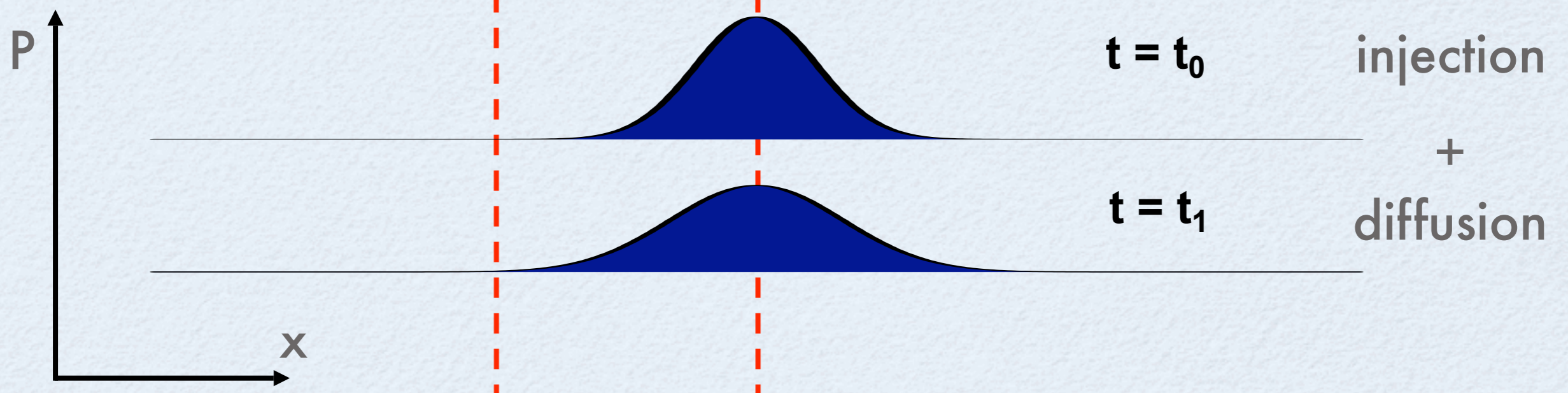
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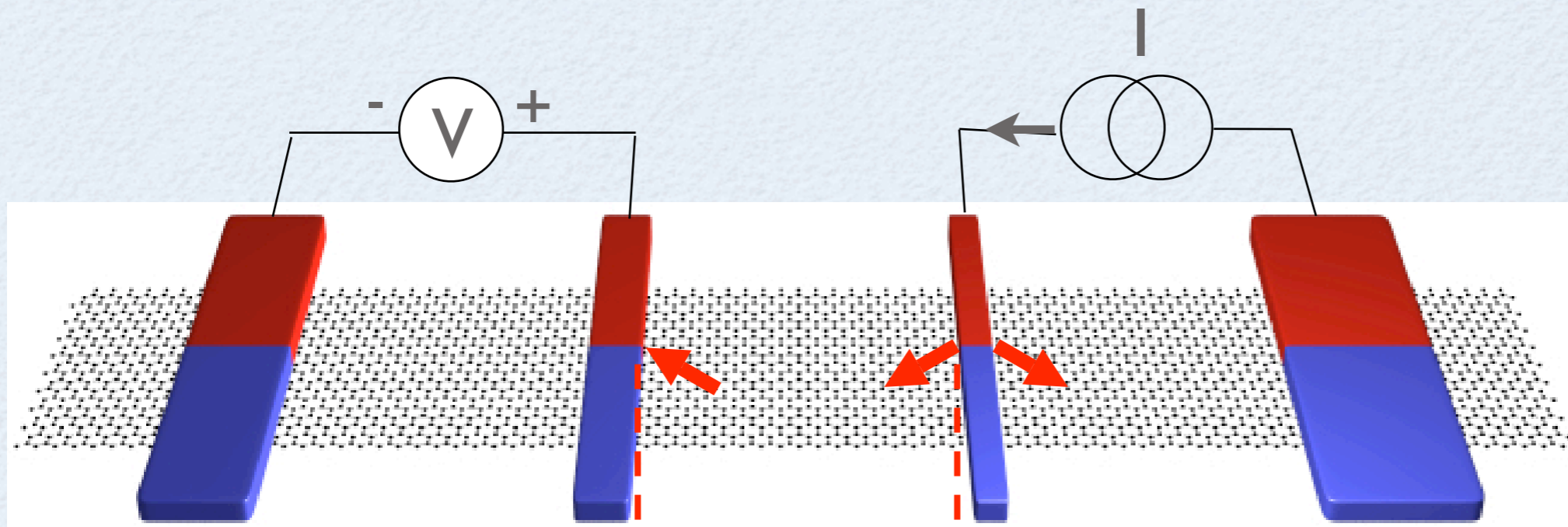
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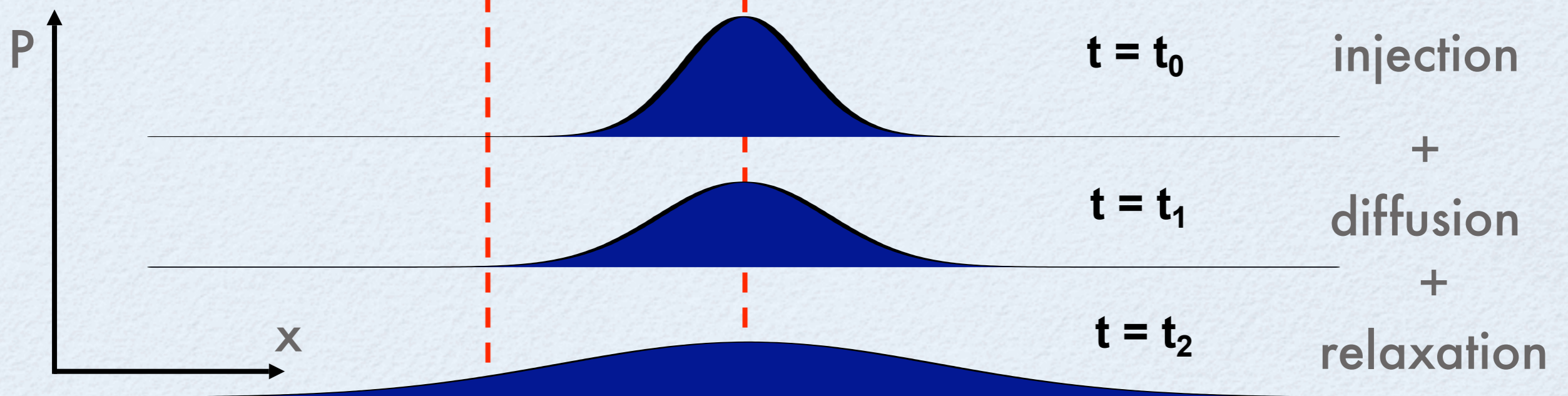
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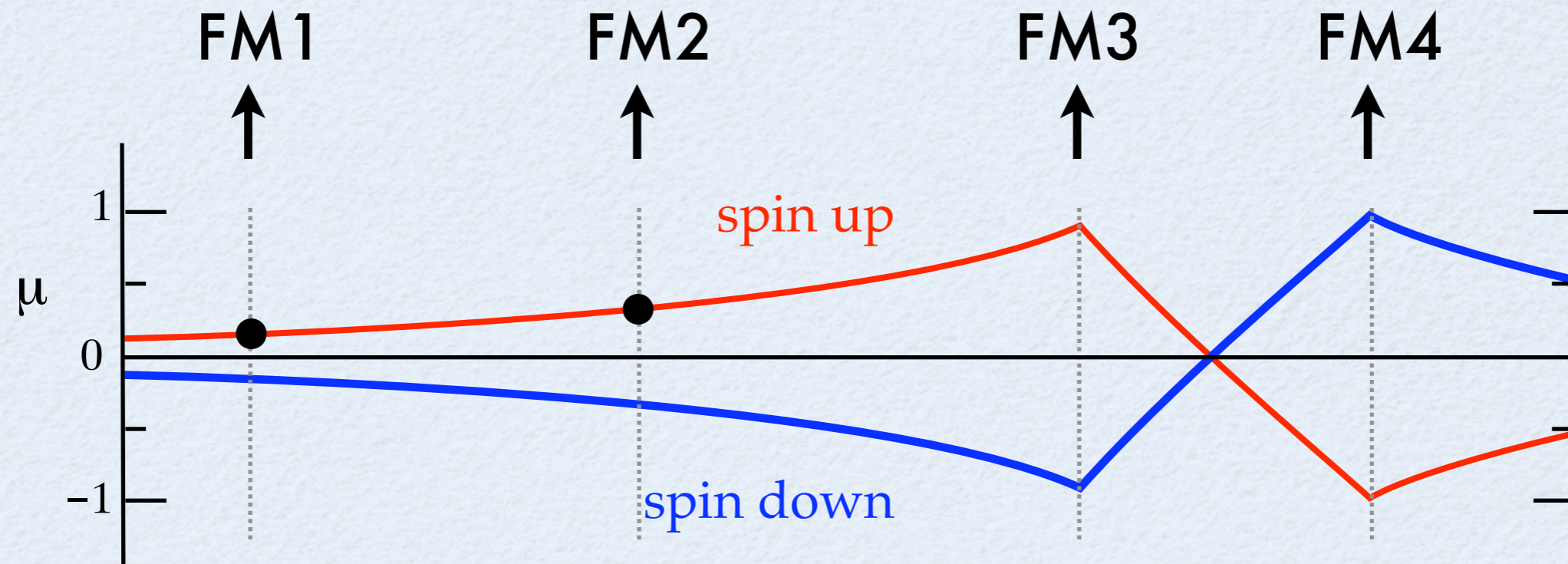


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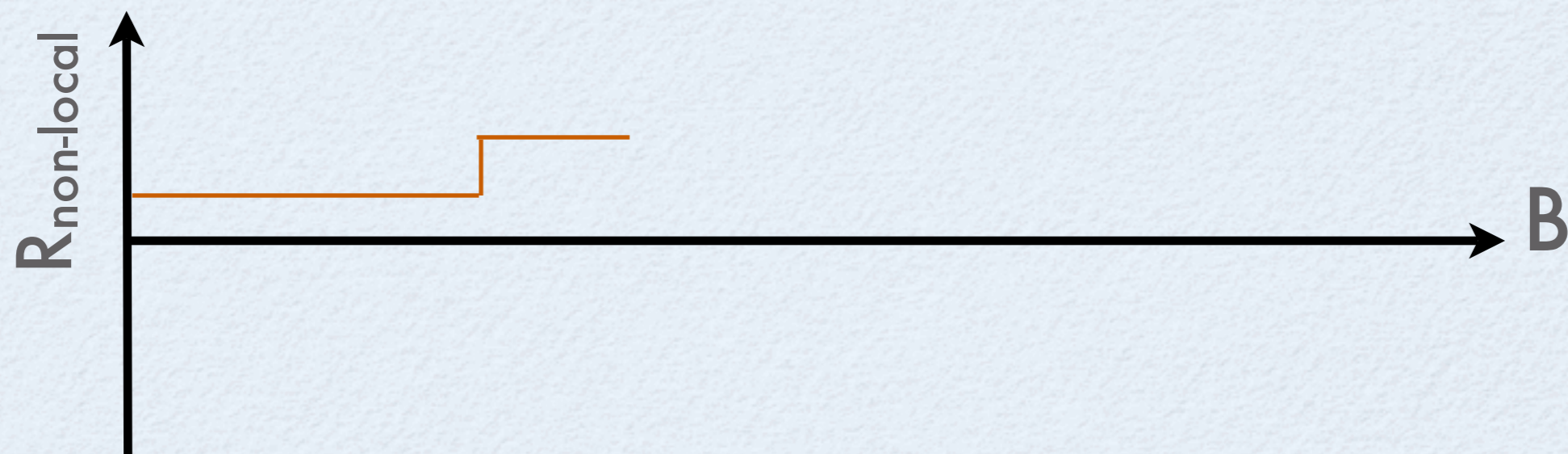
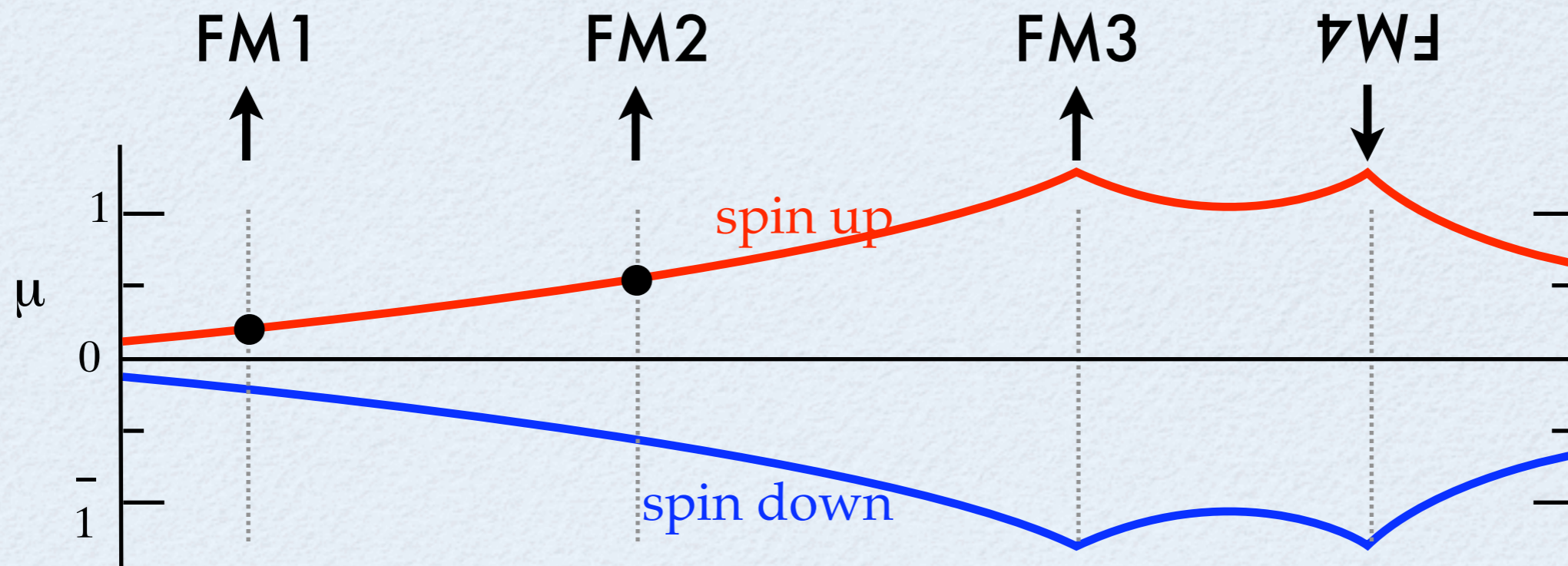




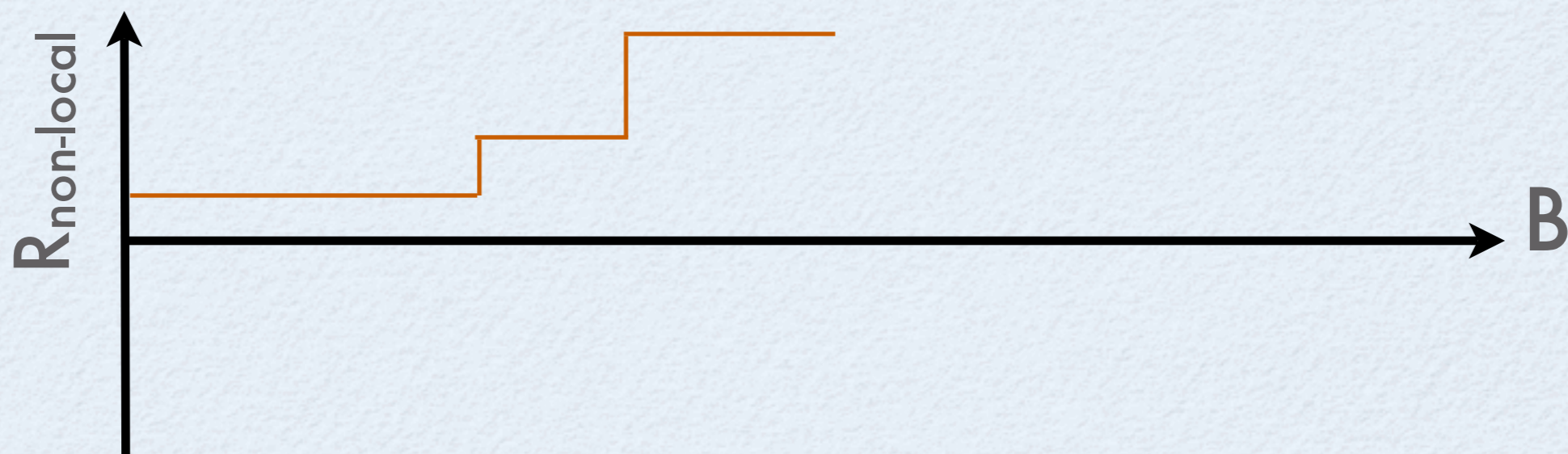
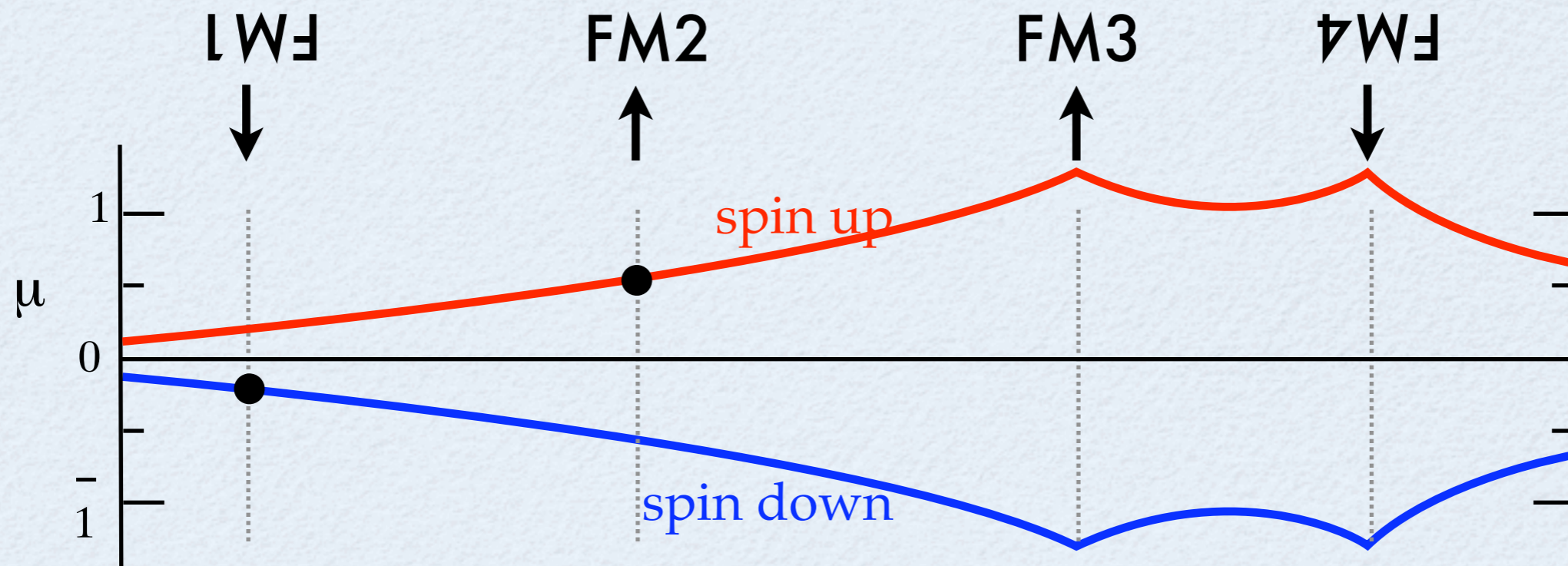
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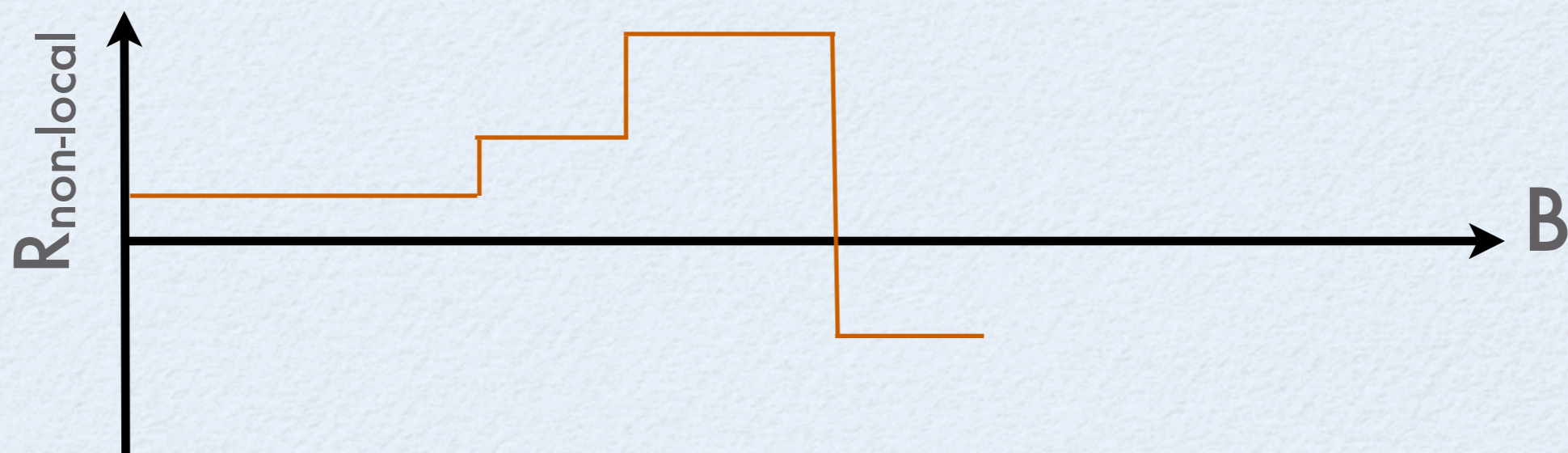
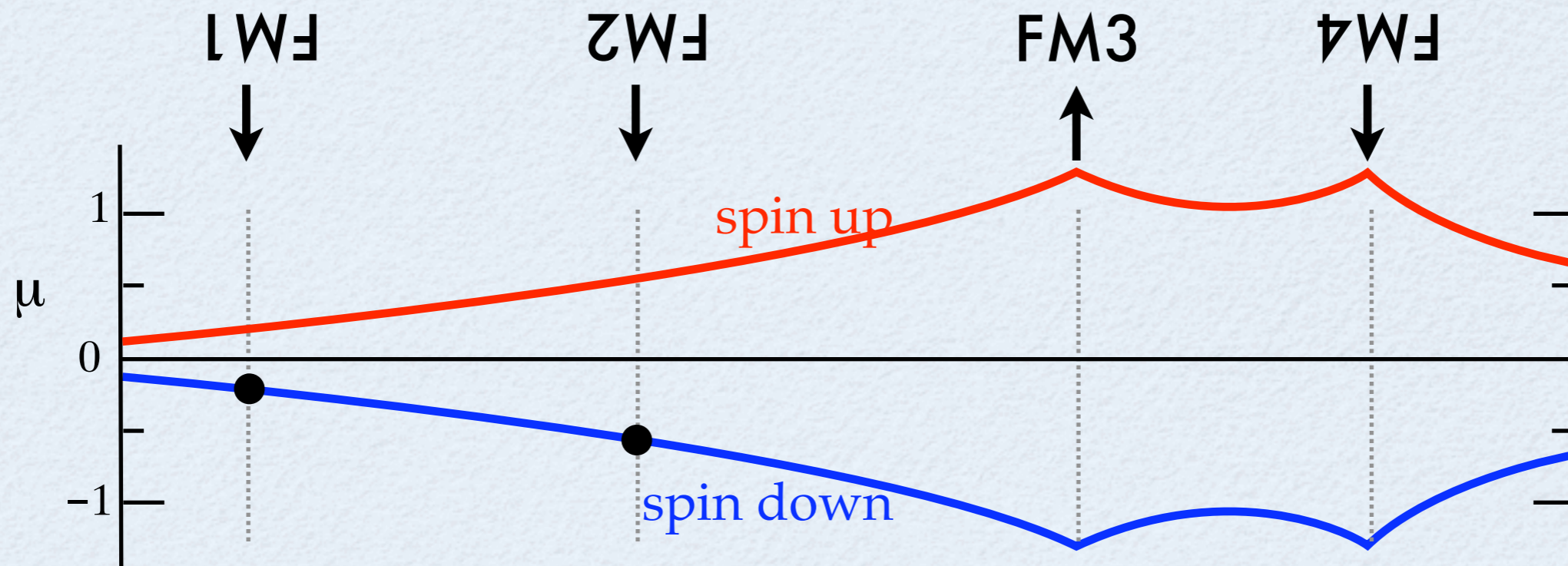
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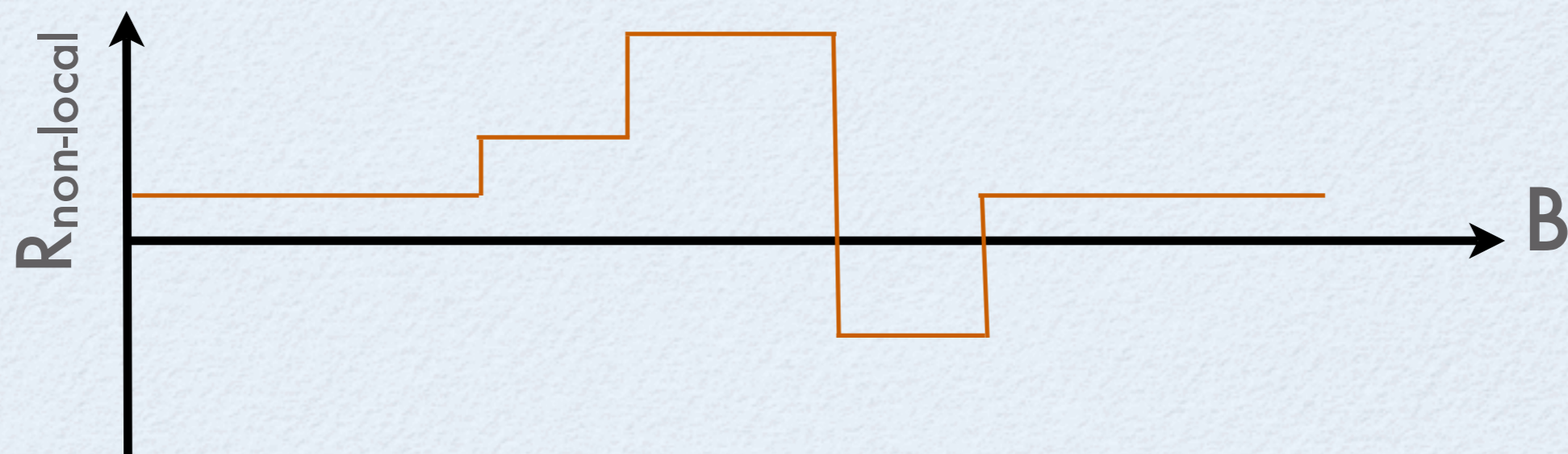
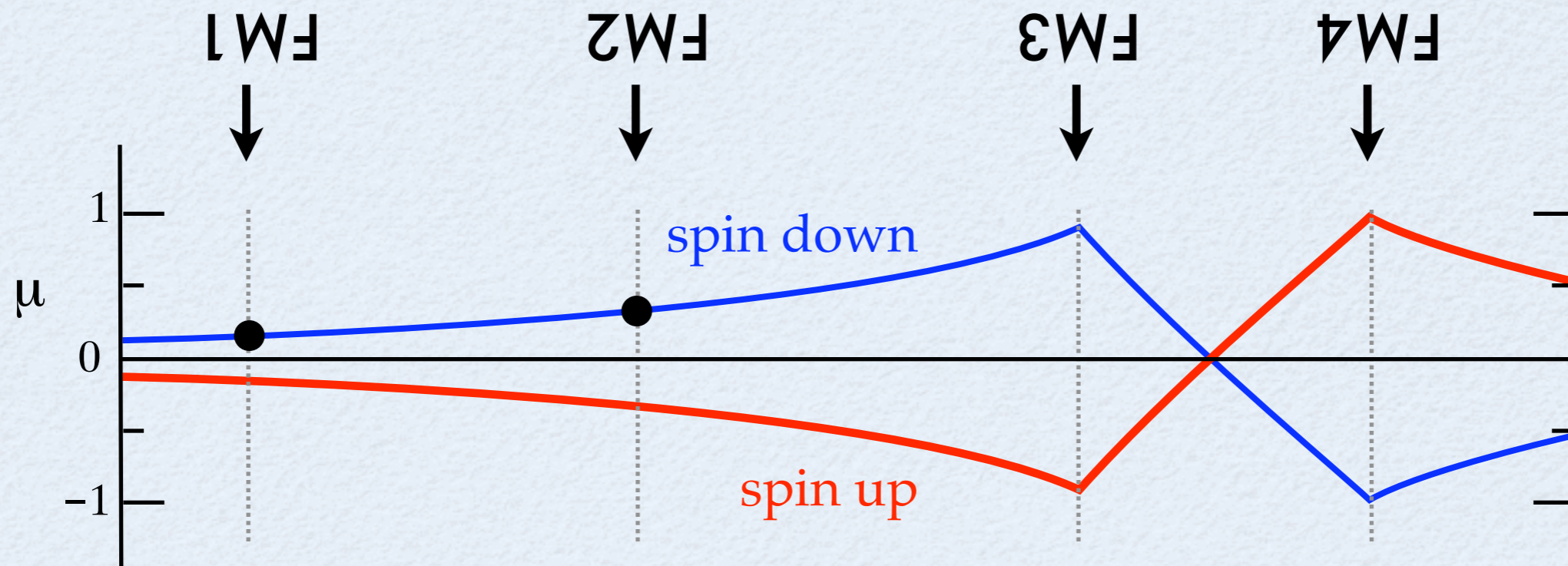
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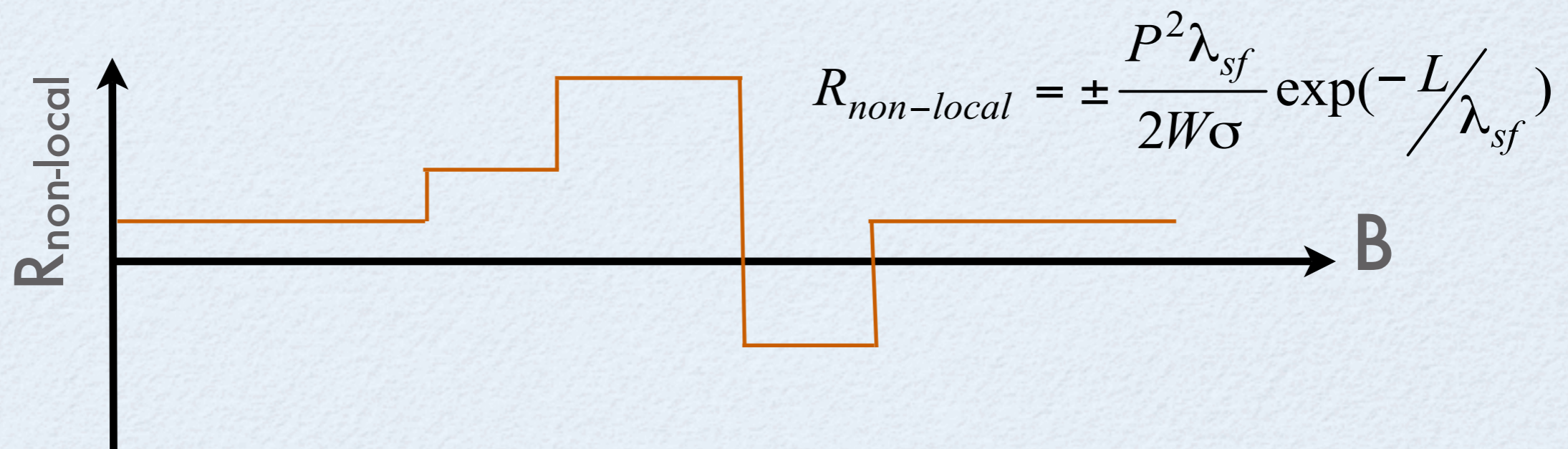
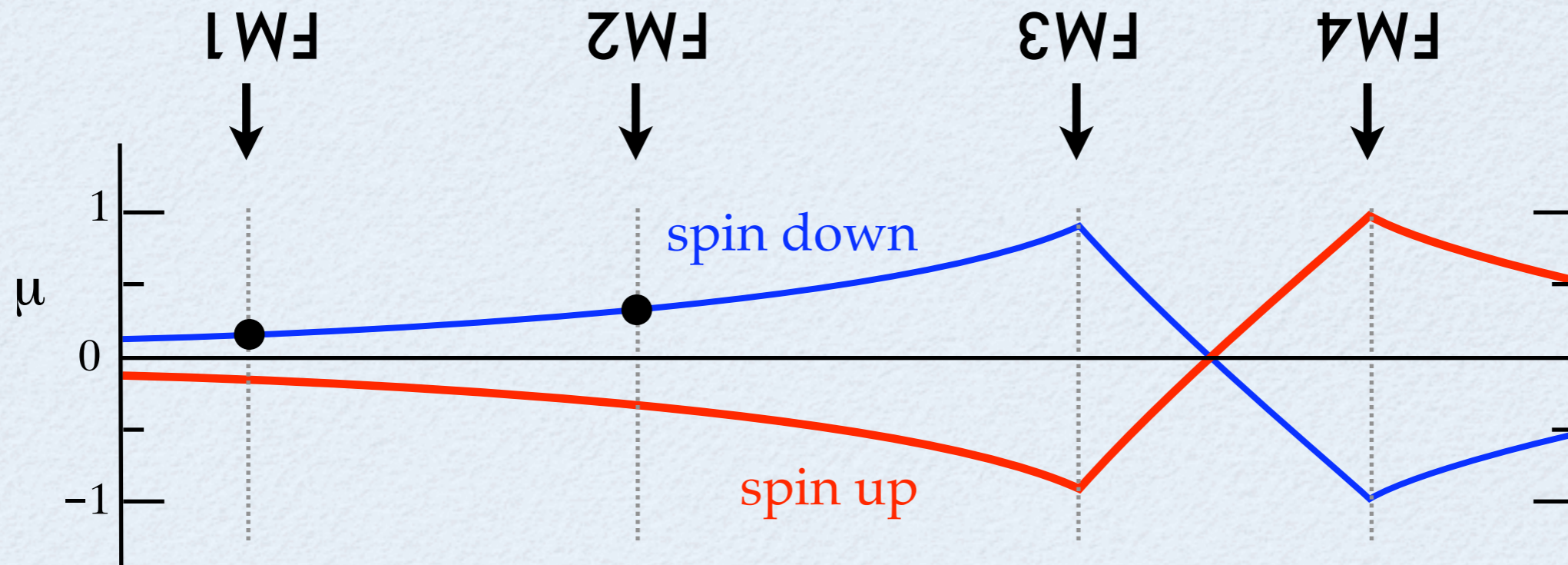
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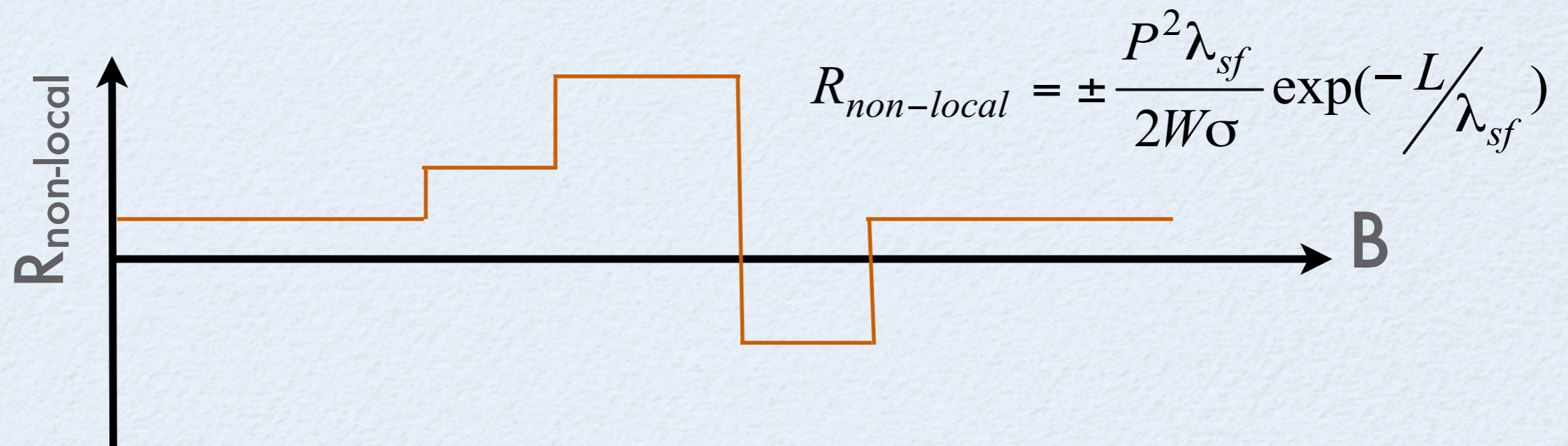
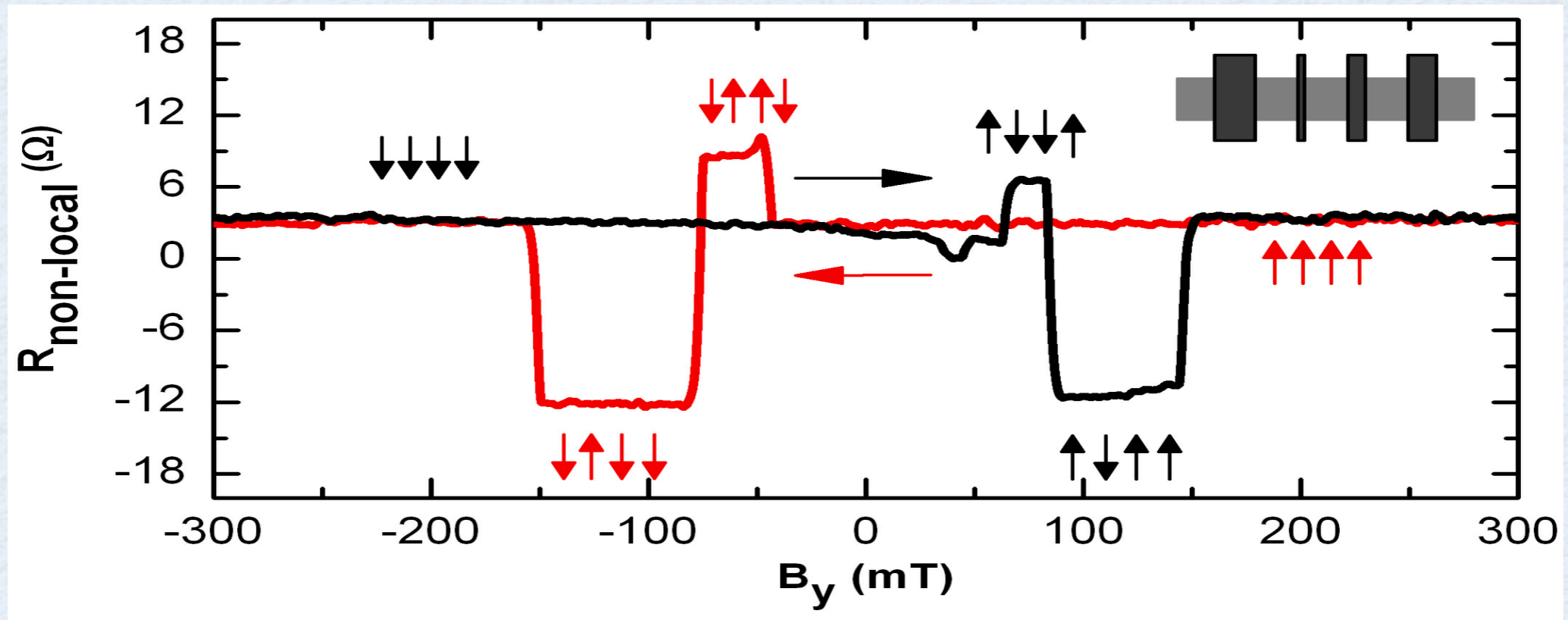
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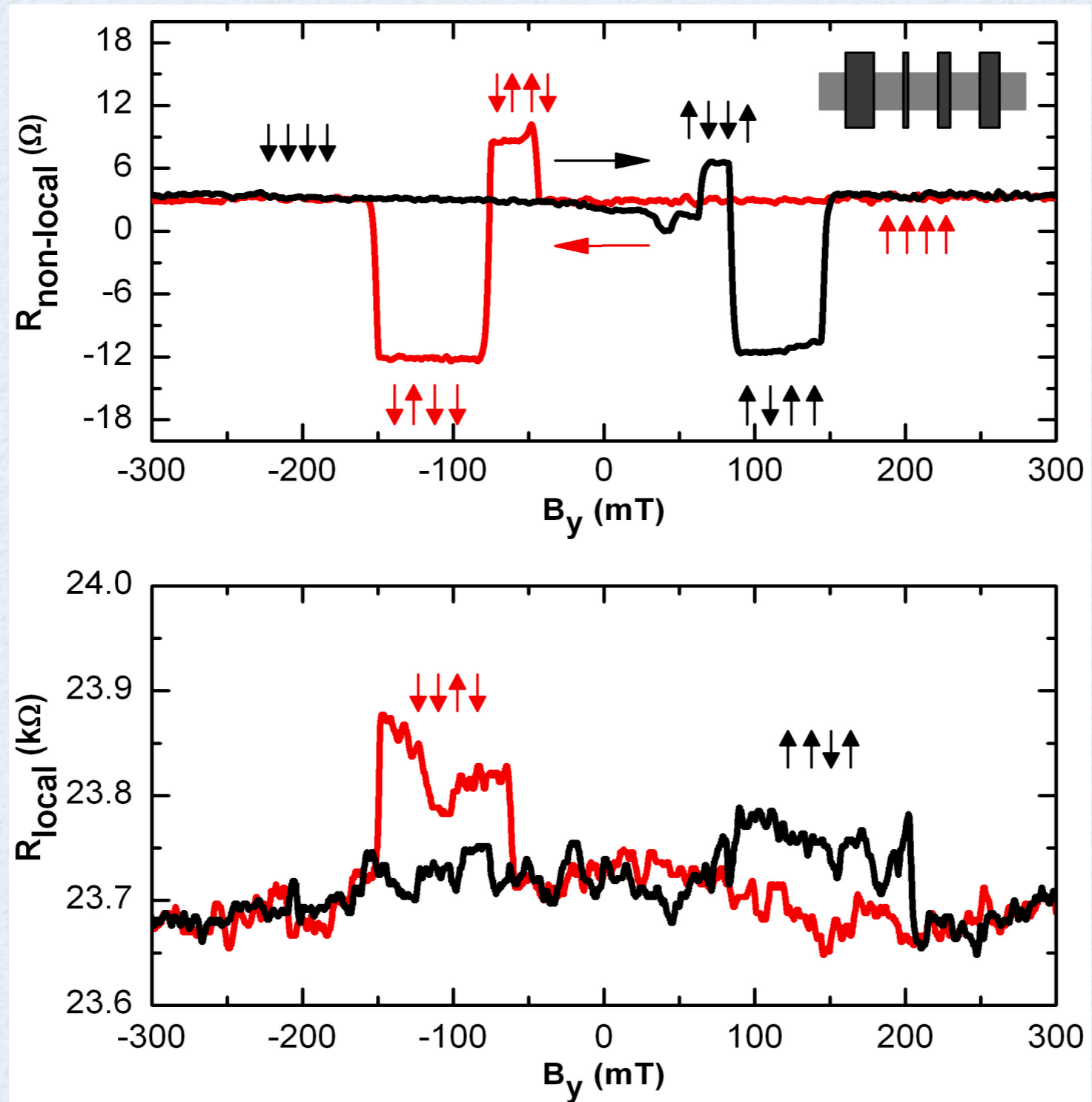
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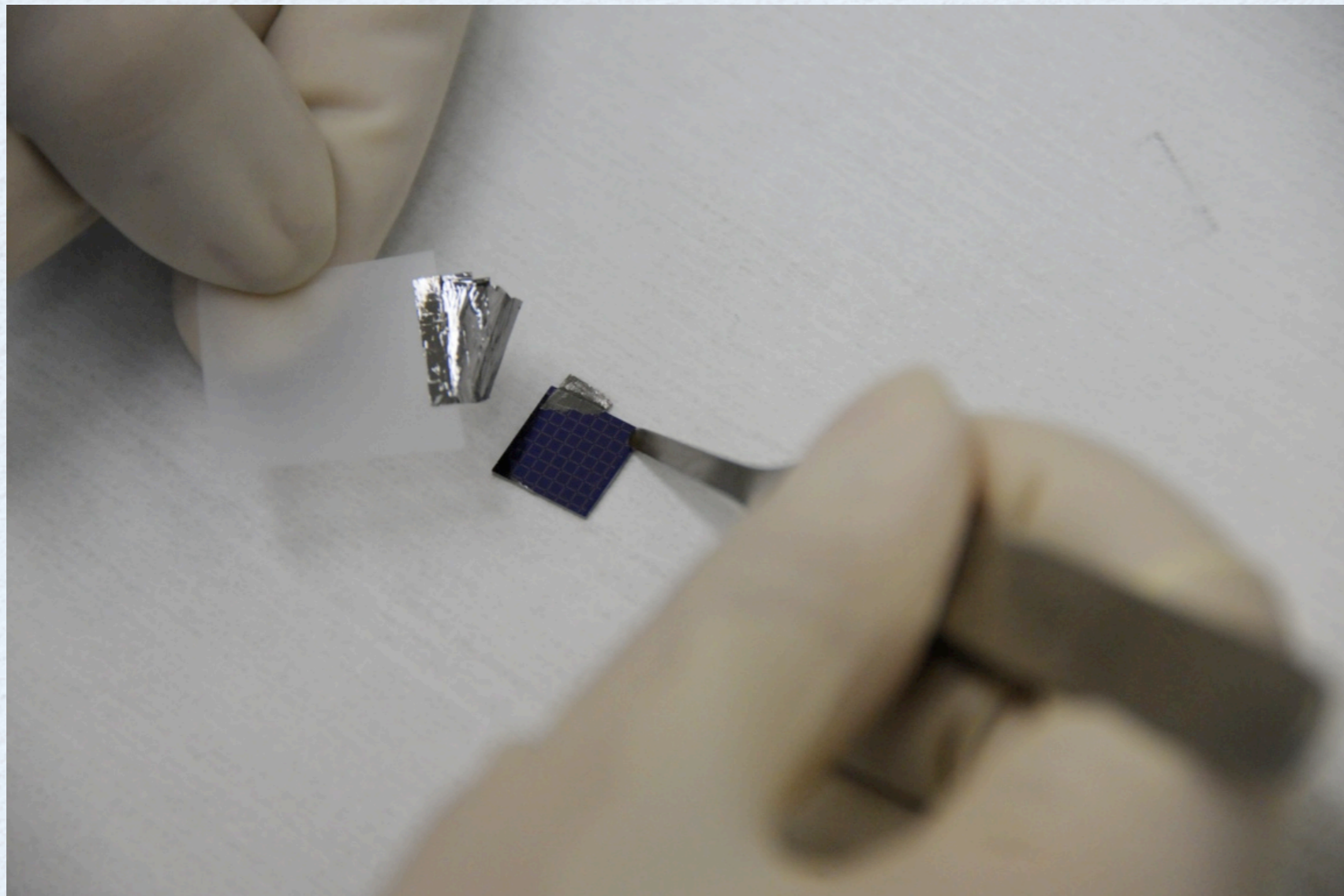
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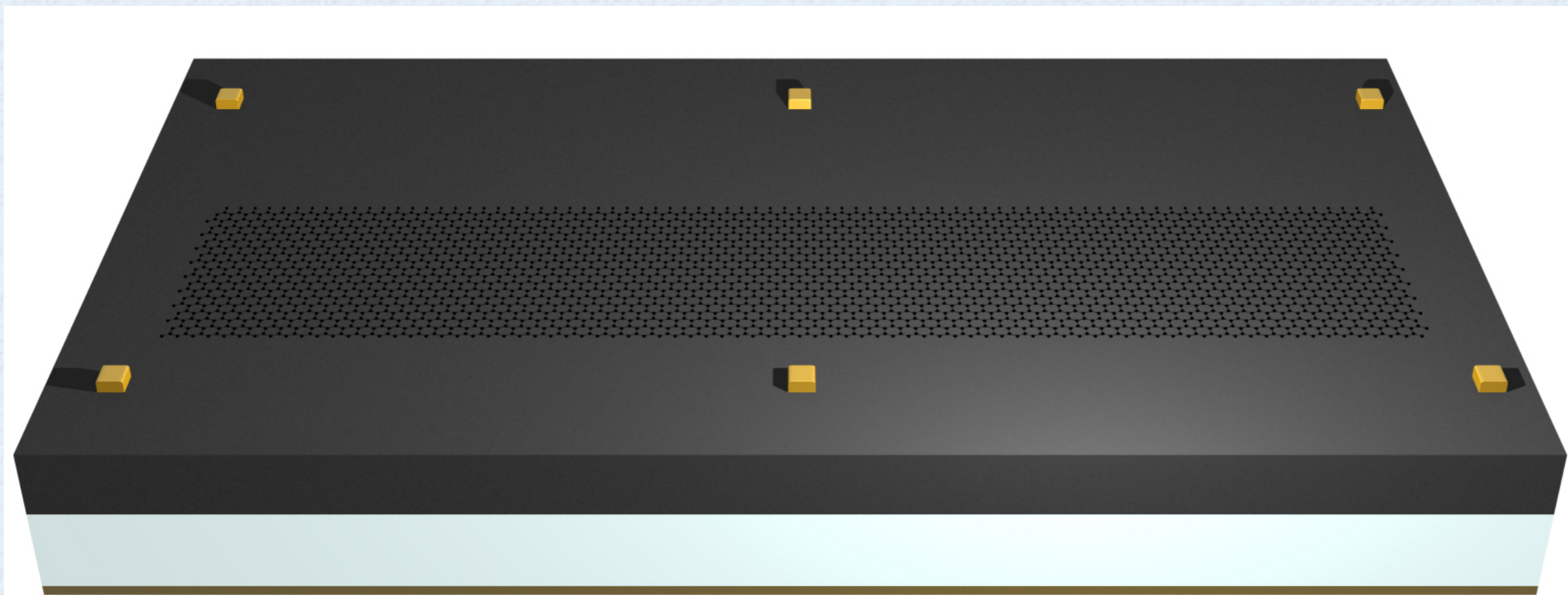
# THE BIRTH OF A GRAPHENE SPIN VALVE DEVICE

# THE SCOTCH TAPE METHOD



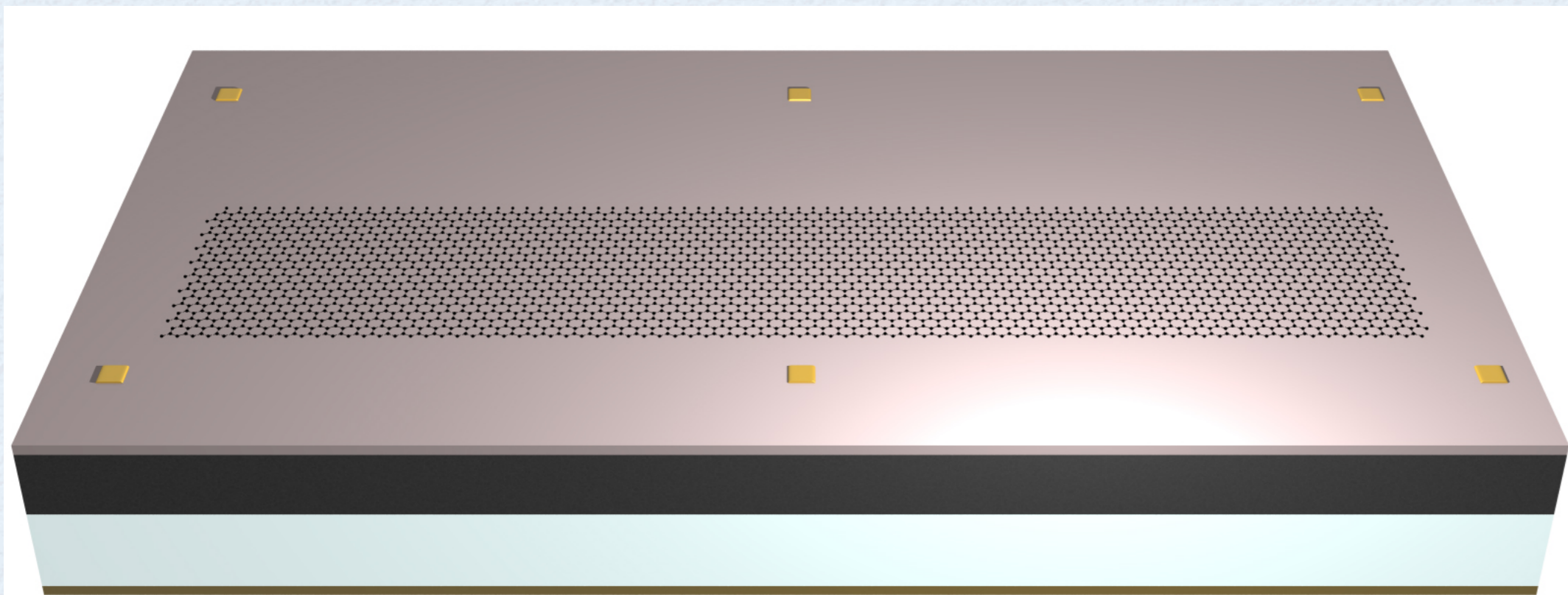
# GRAPHENE SPIN VALVE DEVICE

Graphene flakes: localization (optical + AFM)  
Ti/Au (40nm) markers  
Si(n++) / SiO<sub>2</sub> (300 nm) substrate  
Ti/Au (100 nm) gate electrode



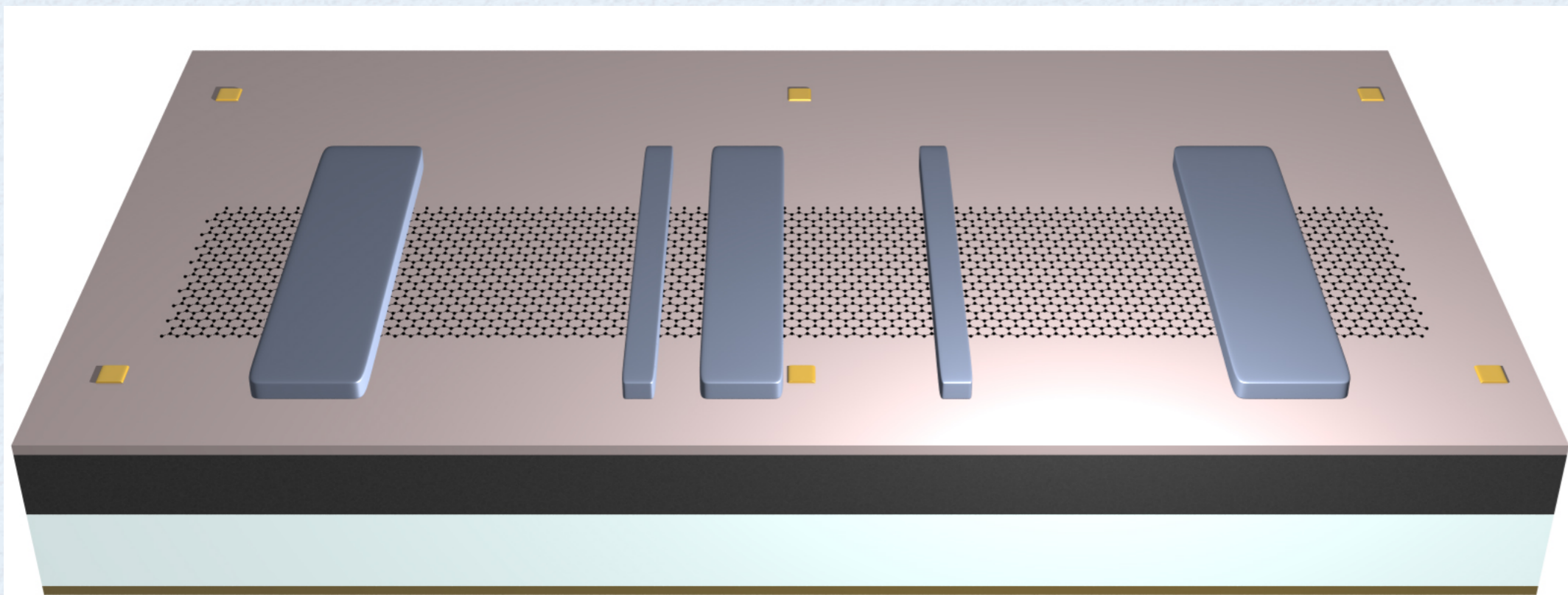
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key ingredient: Al (0.6 nm) UHV evaporation + oxidization



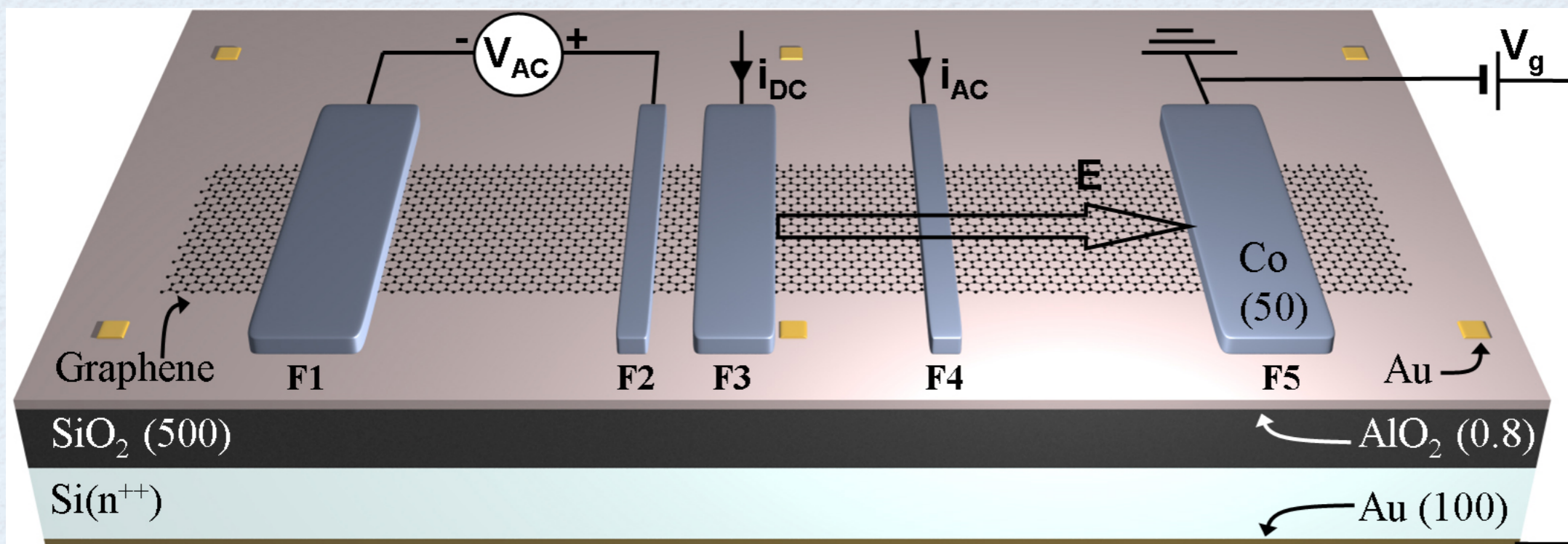
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**Electron beam lithography + Lift-off: Co contacts**

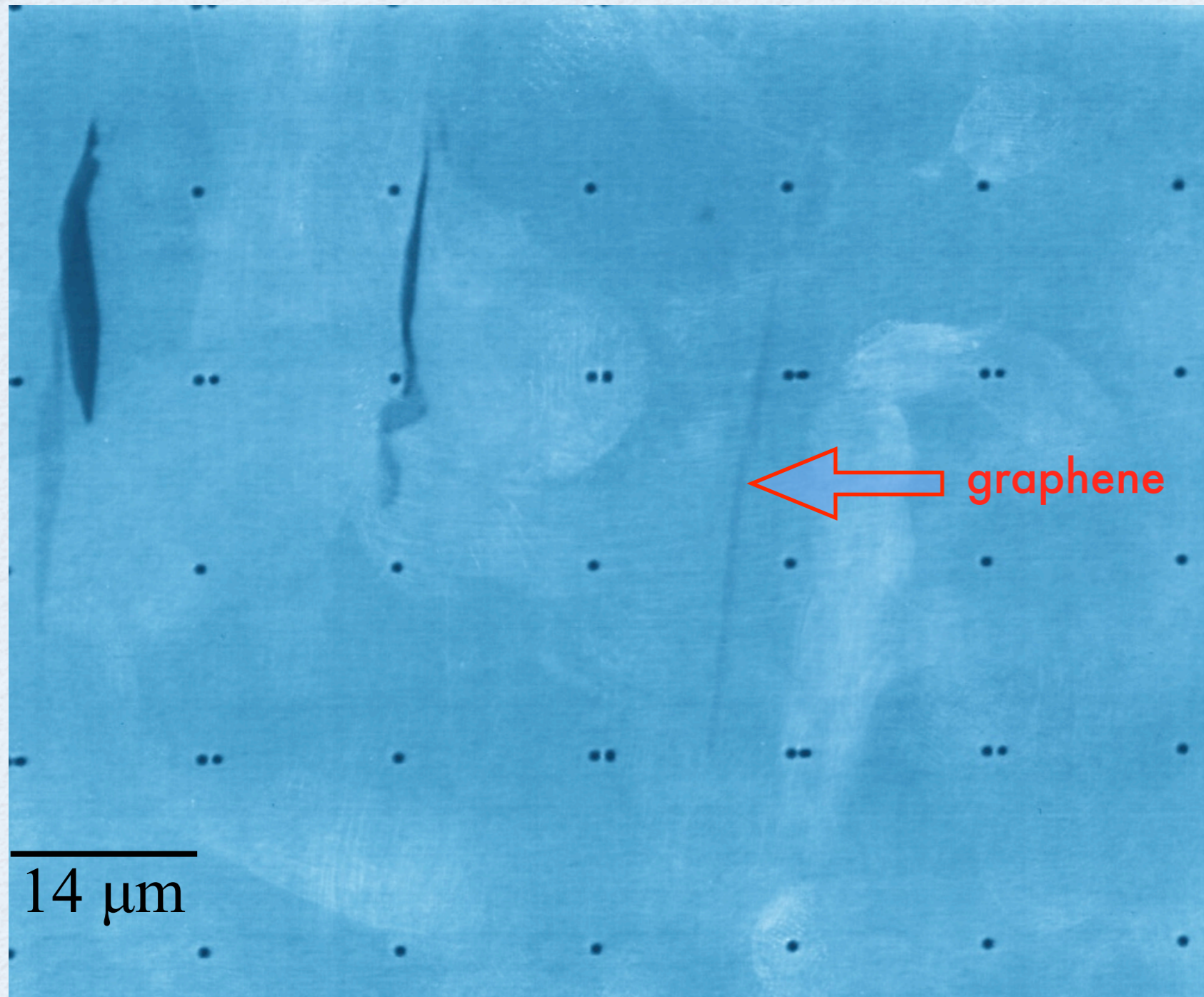


# GRAPHENE SPIN VALVE DEVICE

And ready to be measured

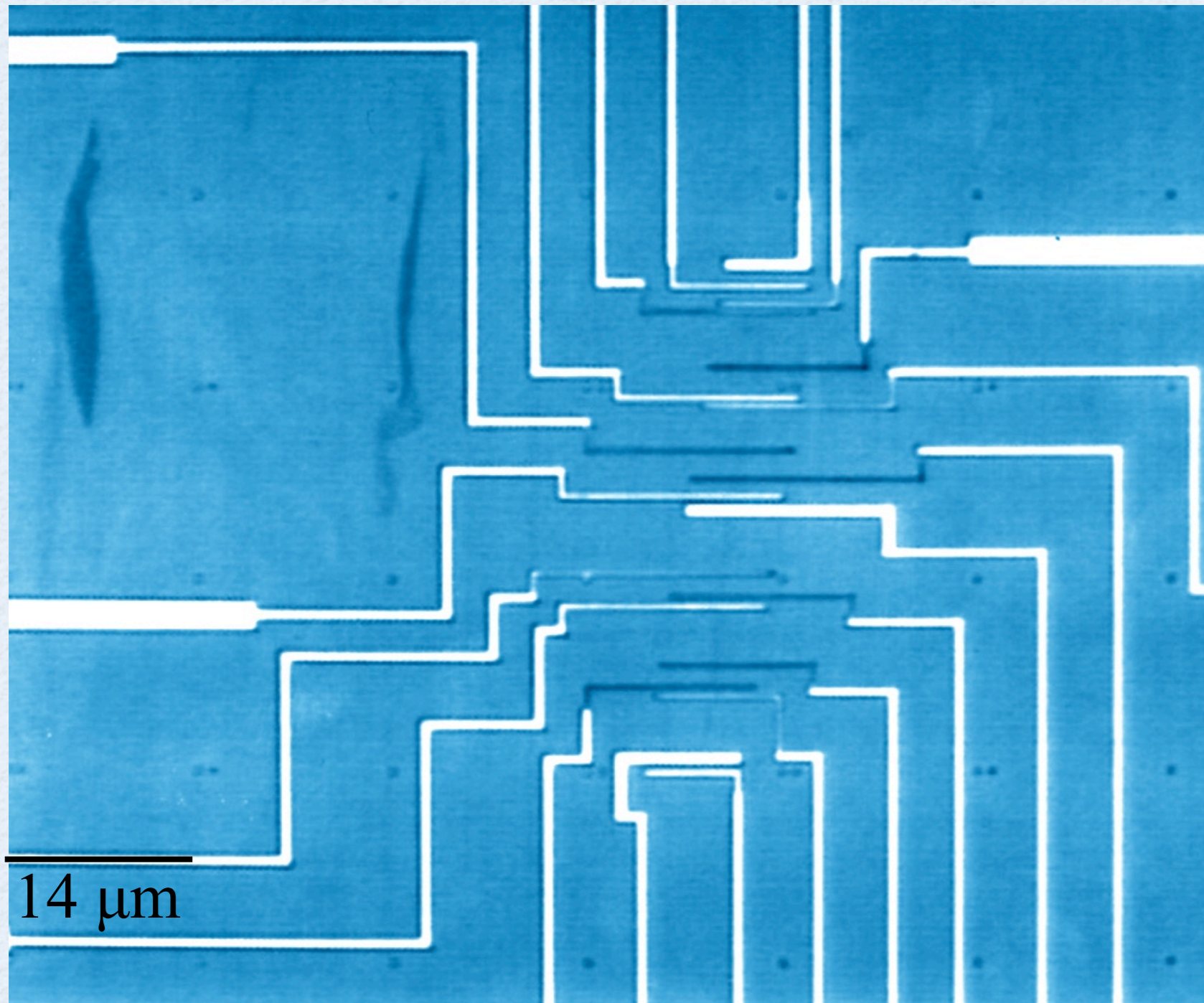


# A SUITABLE GRAPHENE FLAKE



*optical  
microscope  
image*

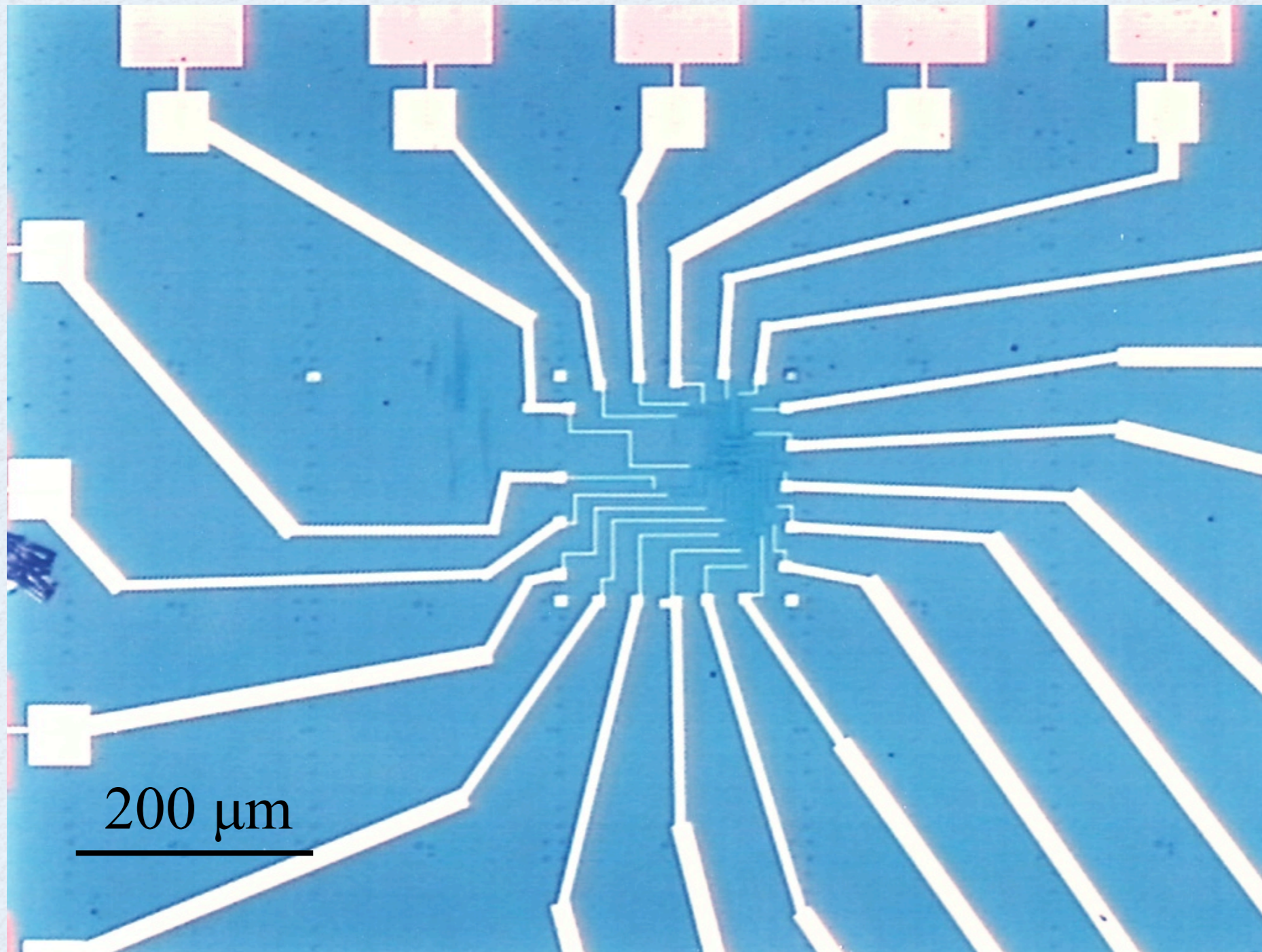
# COBALT CONTACTS ON THE FLAKE



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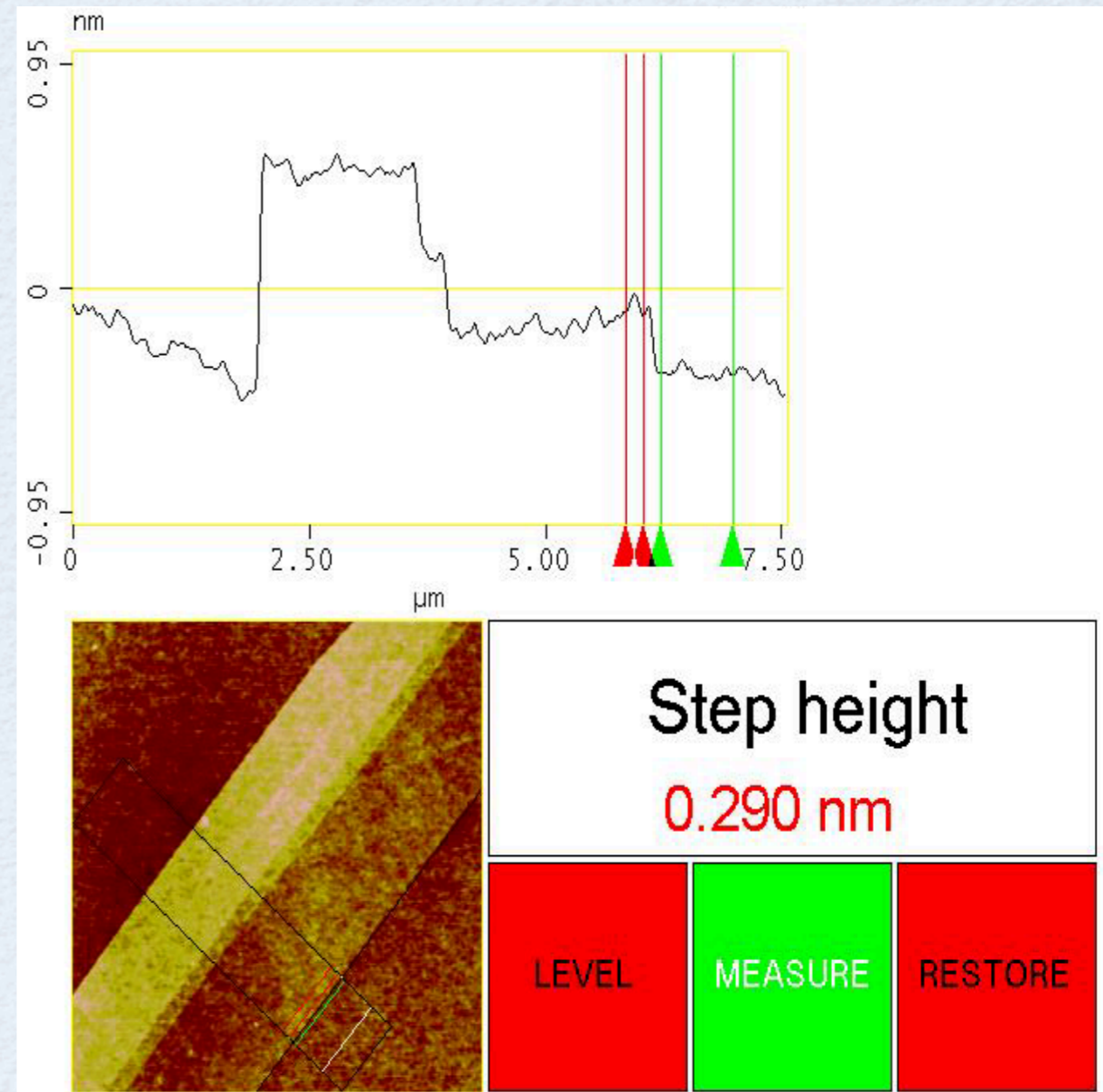
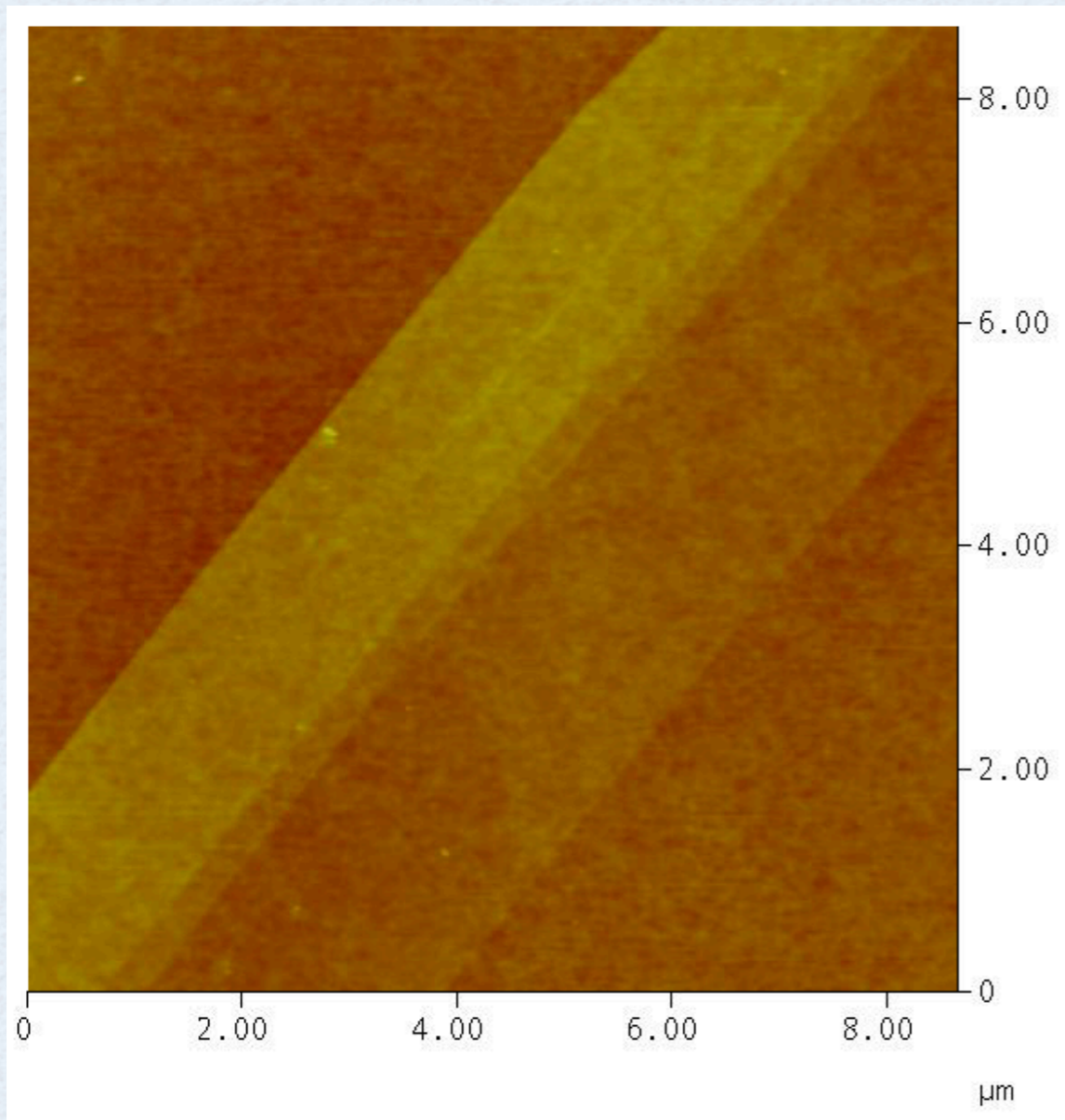


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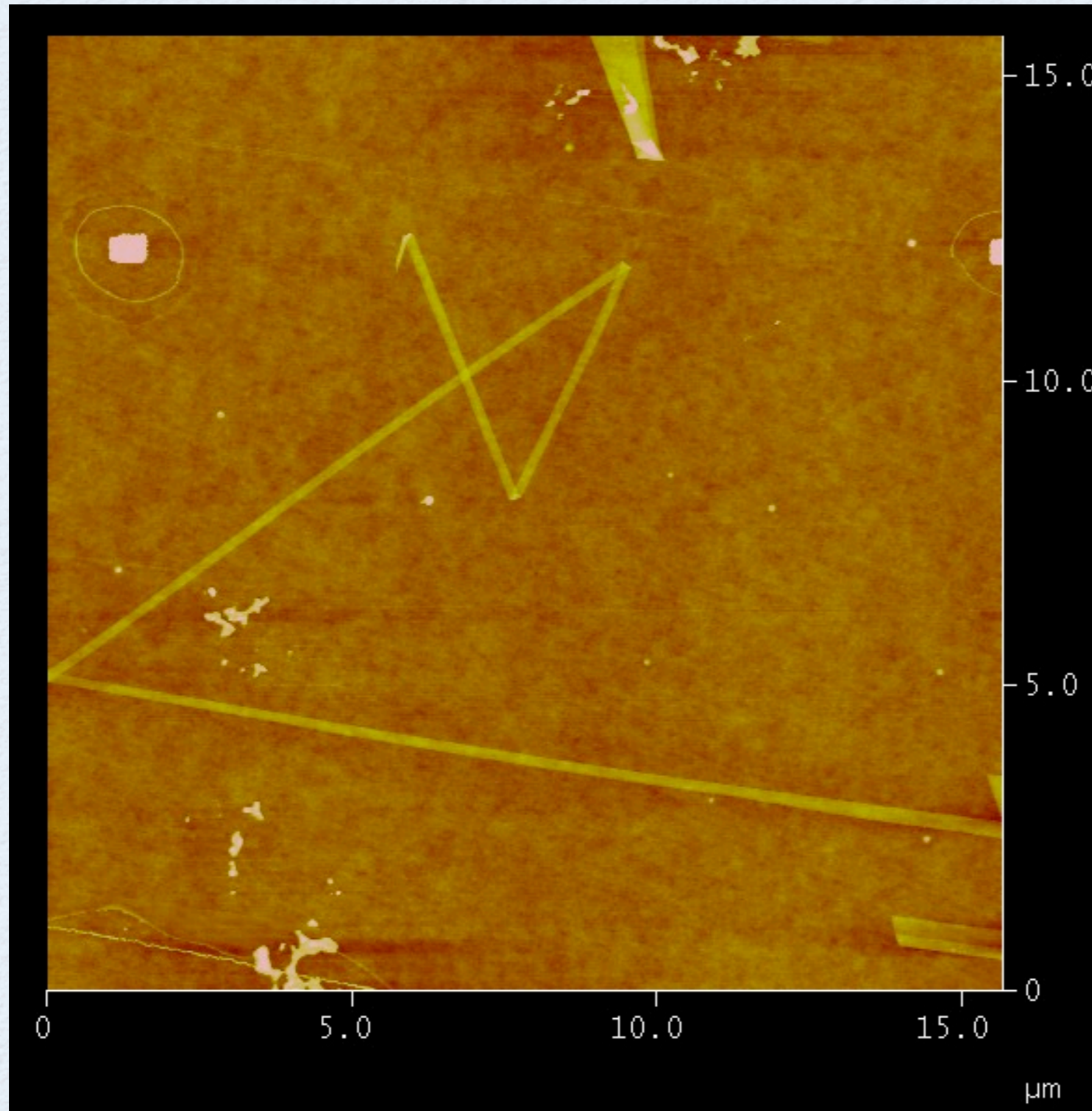


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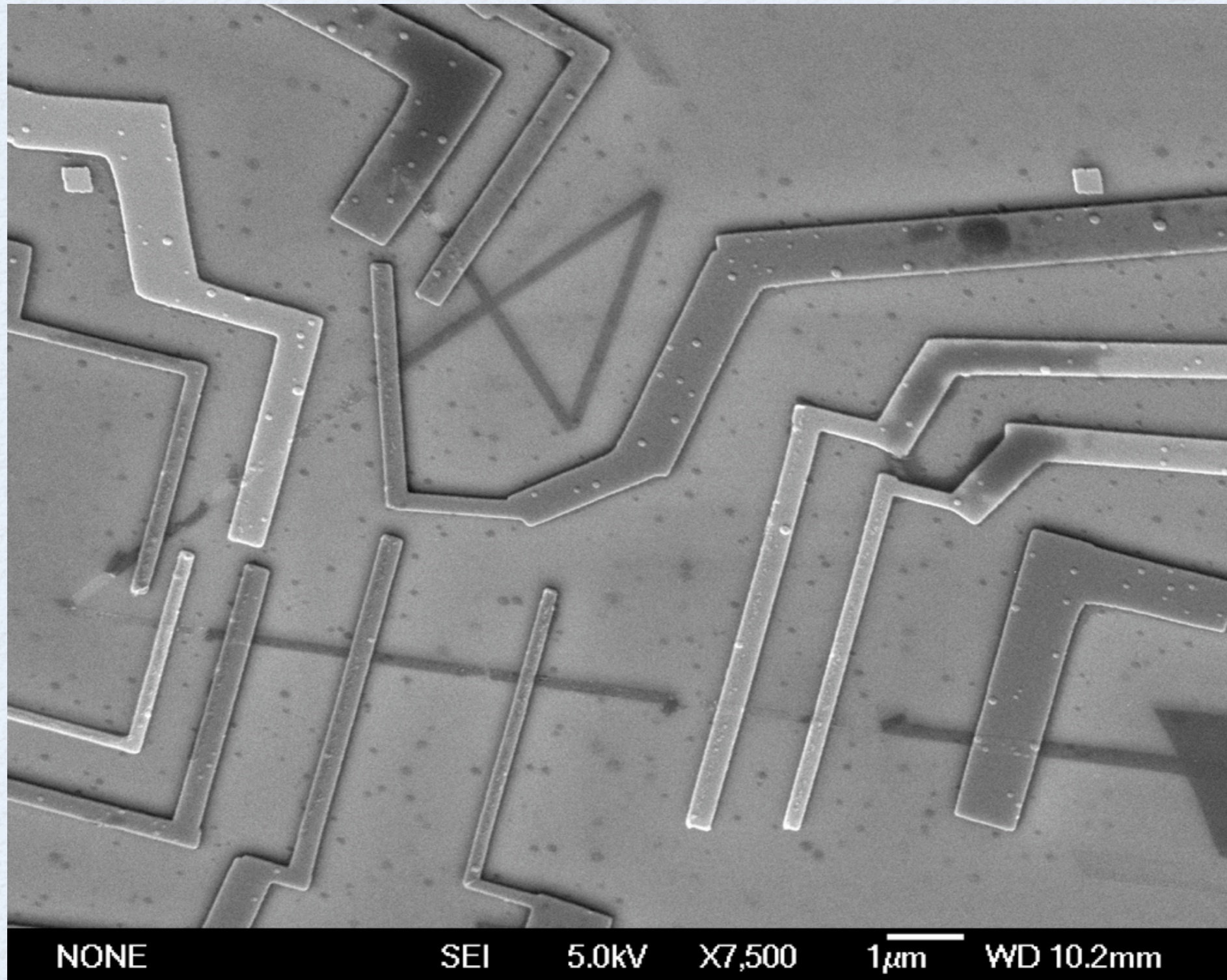
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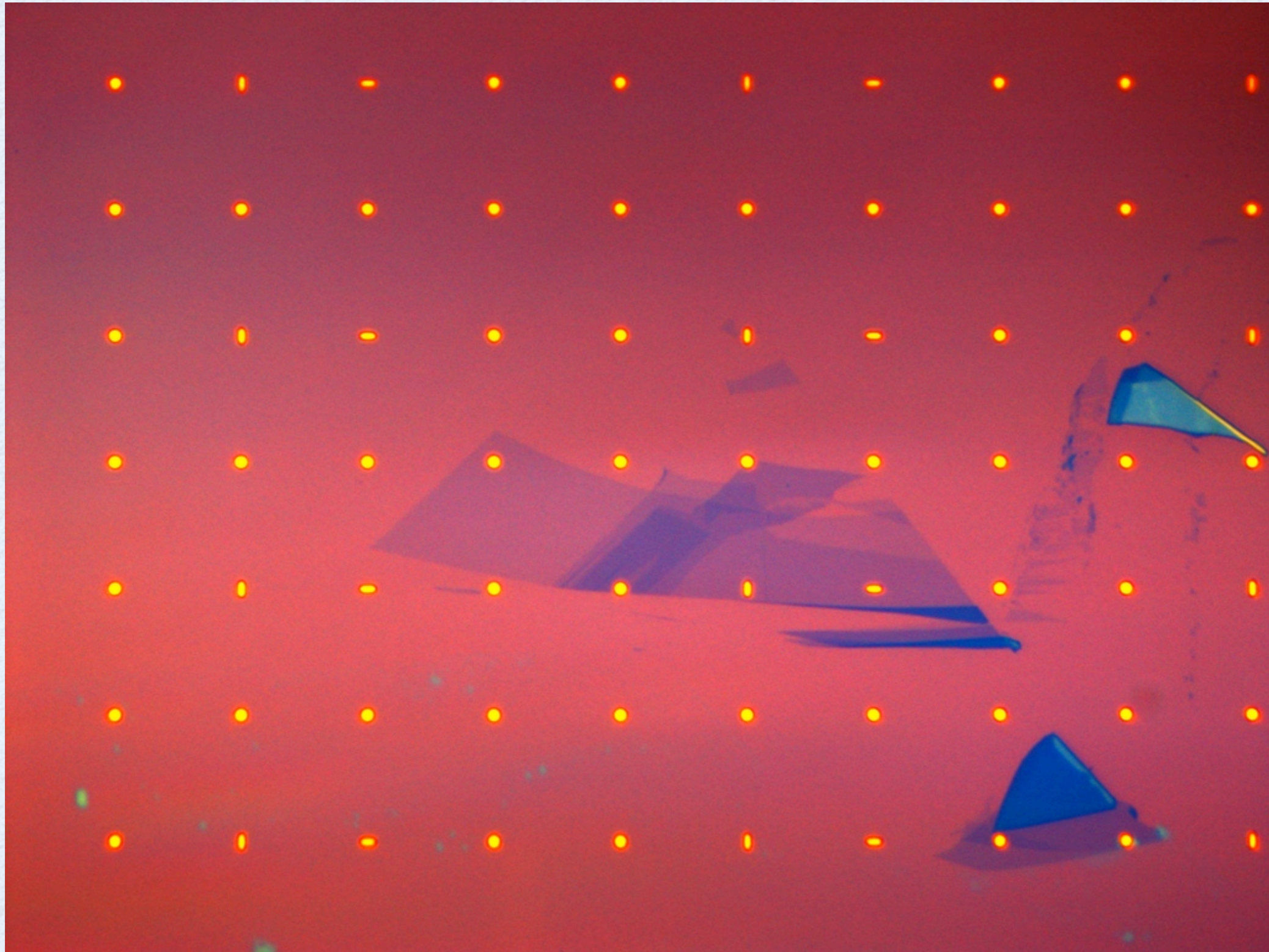
*before...*

# SAME SAMPLE, SEM IMAGE

*...and  
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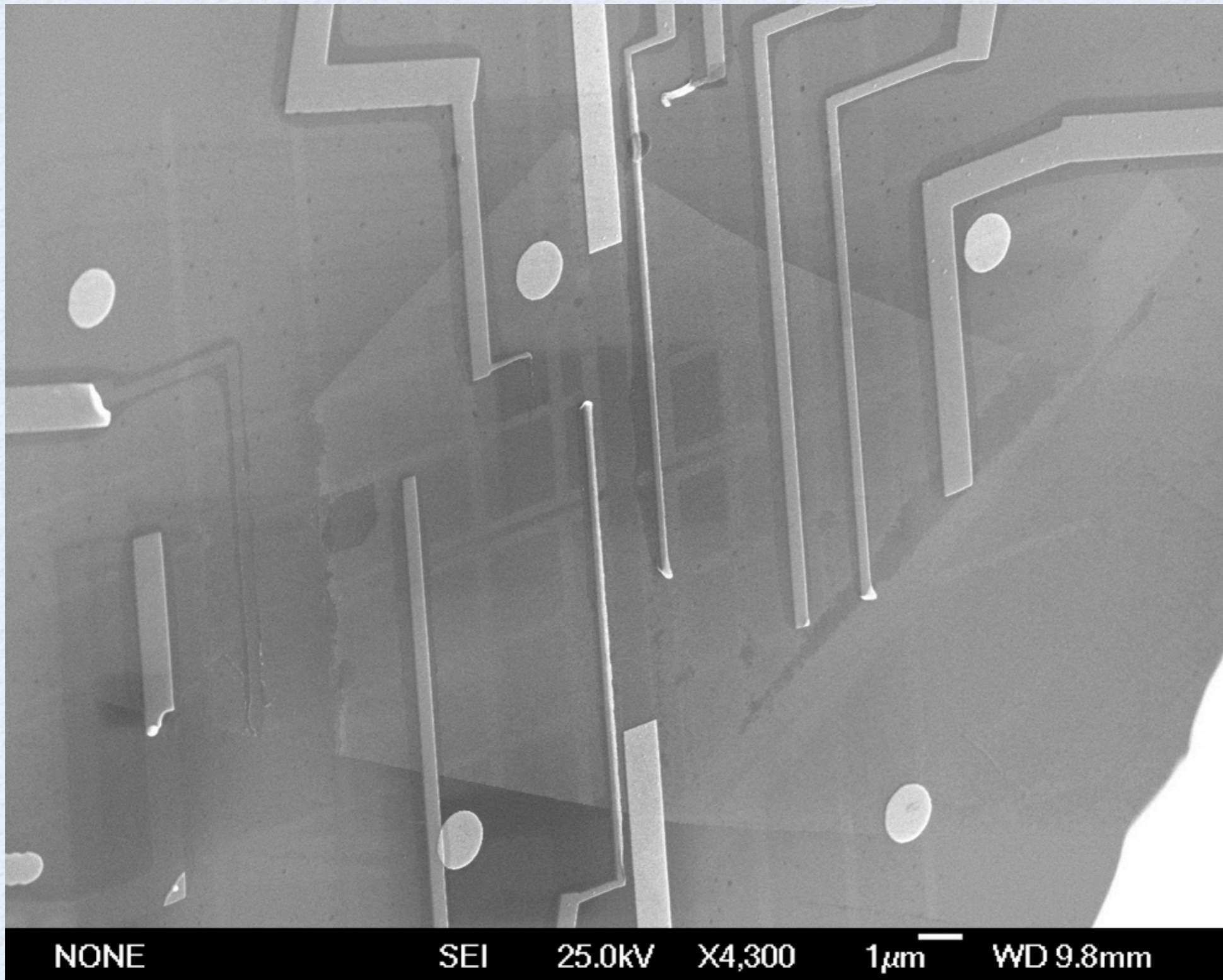


# KISH SAMPLES, OPTICAL IMAGING

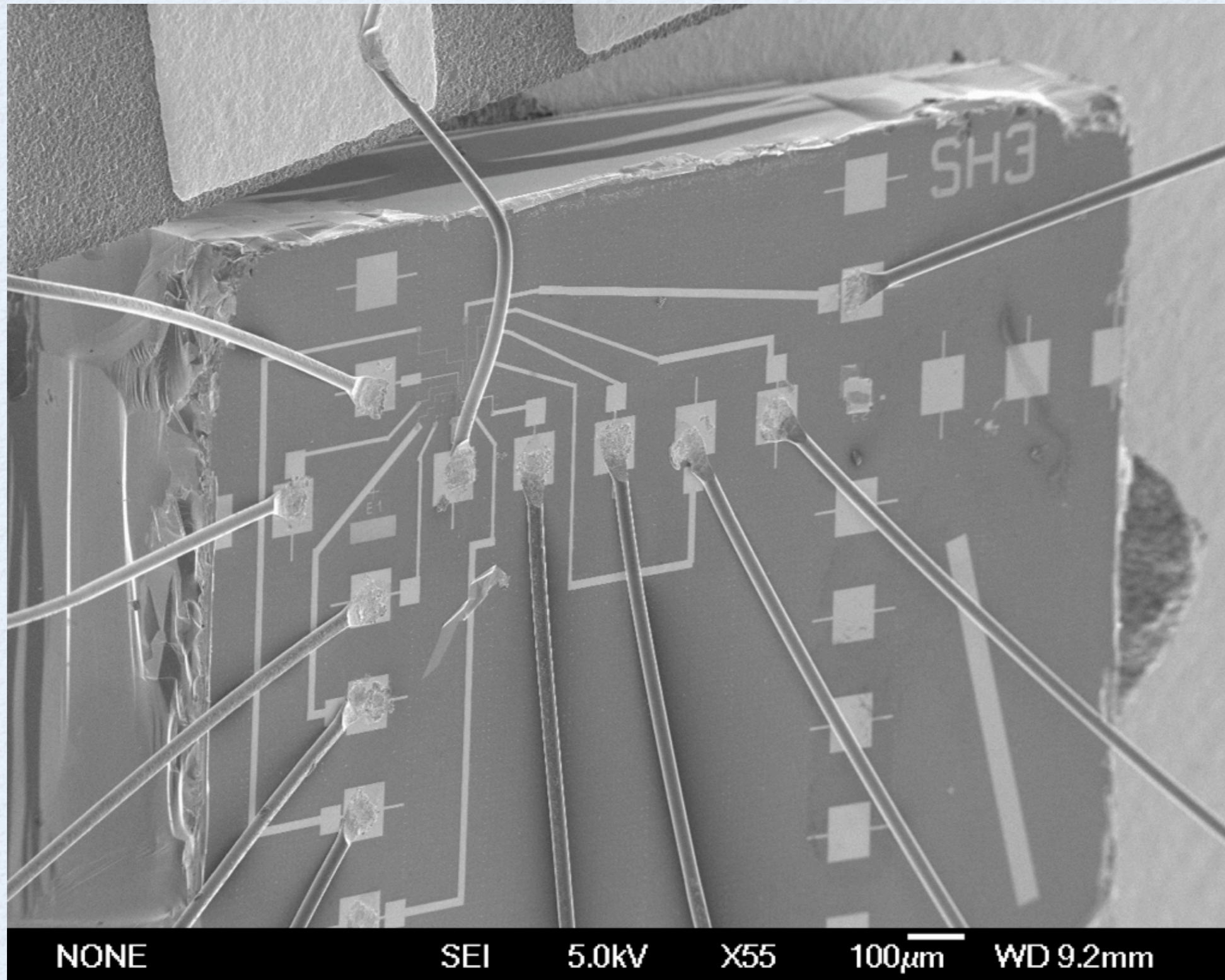


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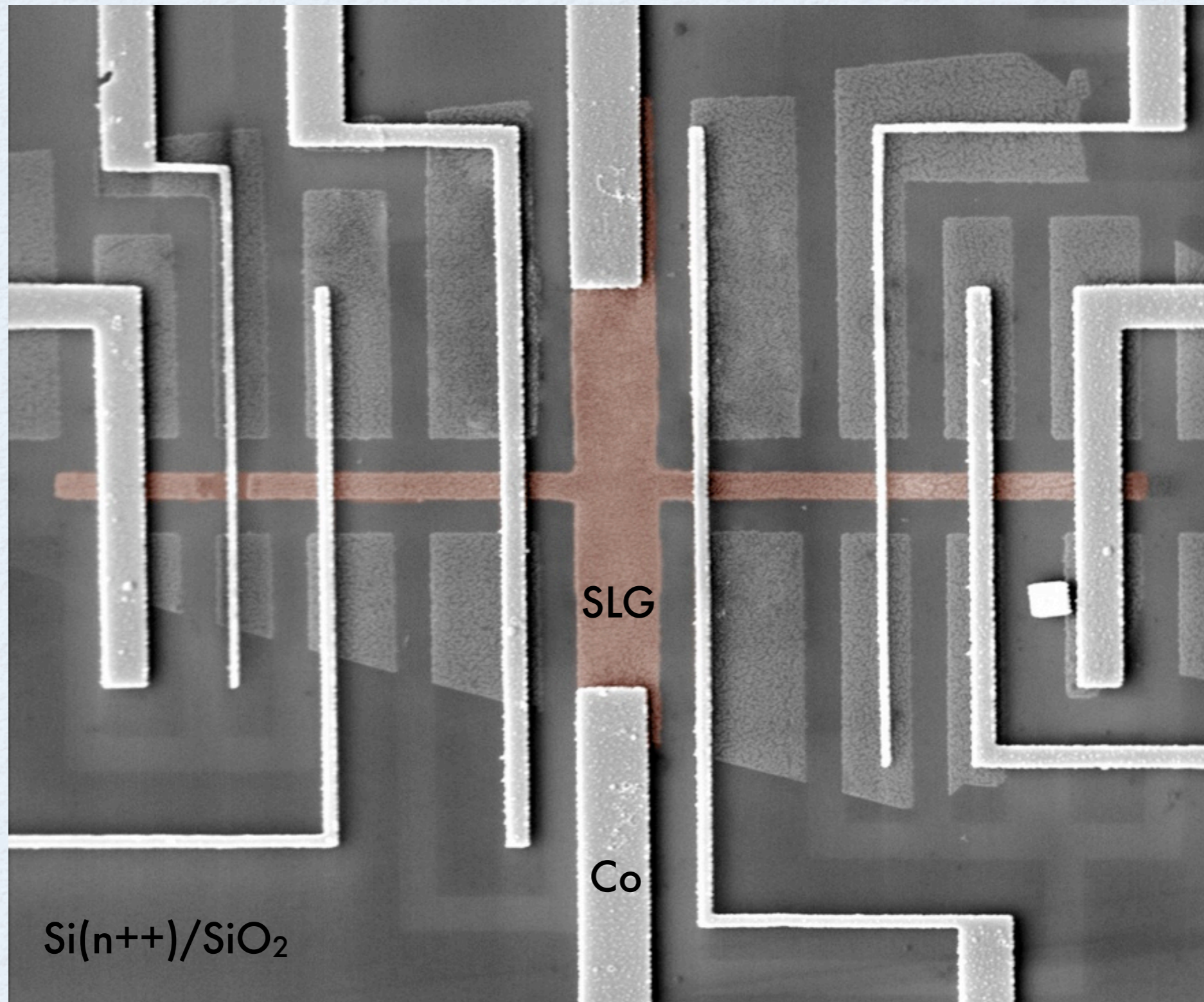
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# SAMPLE OVERVIEW, SEM IMAGING



# SHAPE CONTROL: PLASMA ETCHING

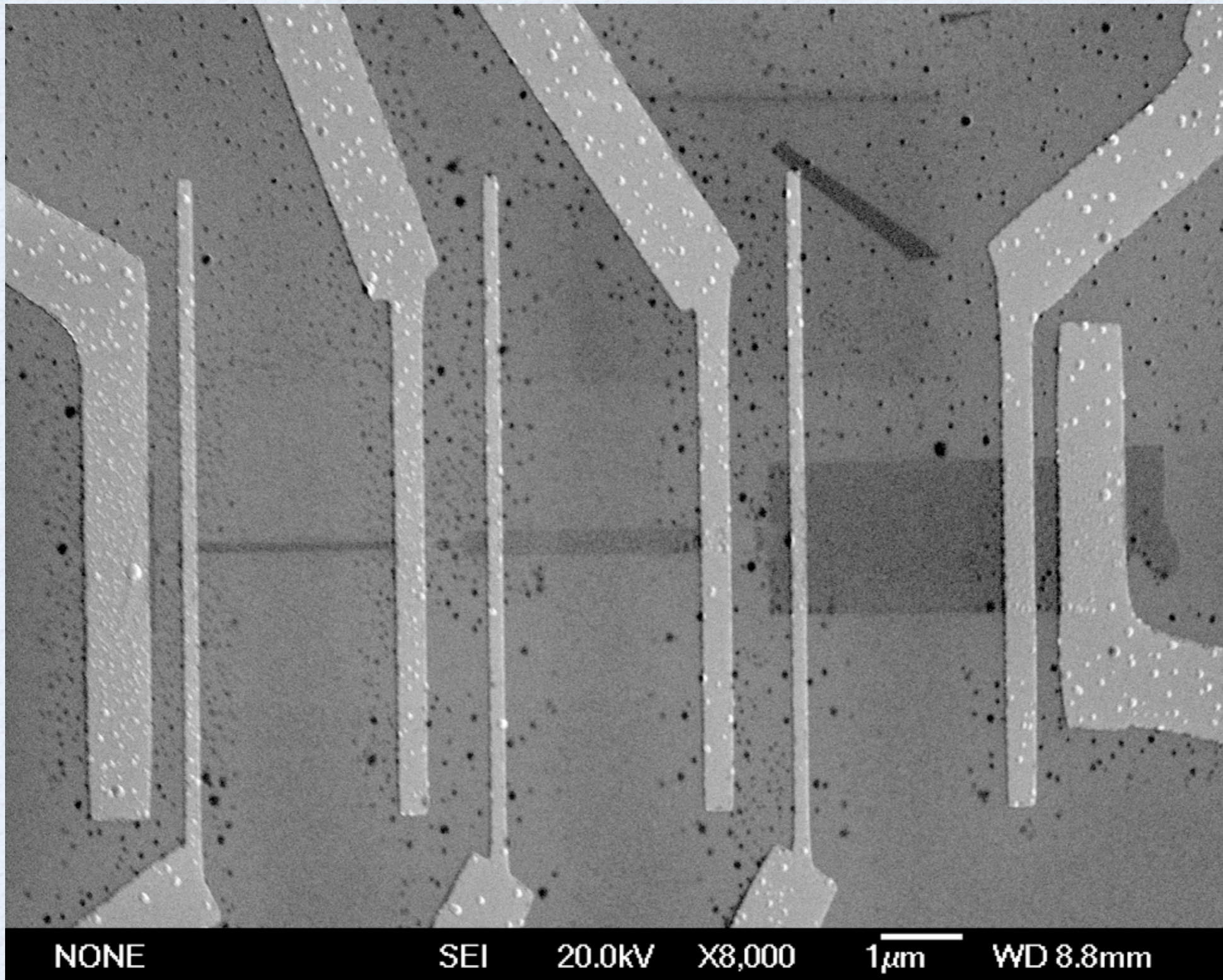


*artificially  
coloured  
SEM  
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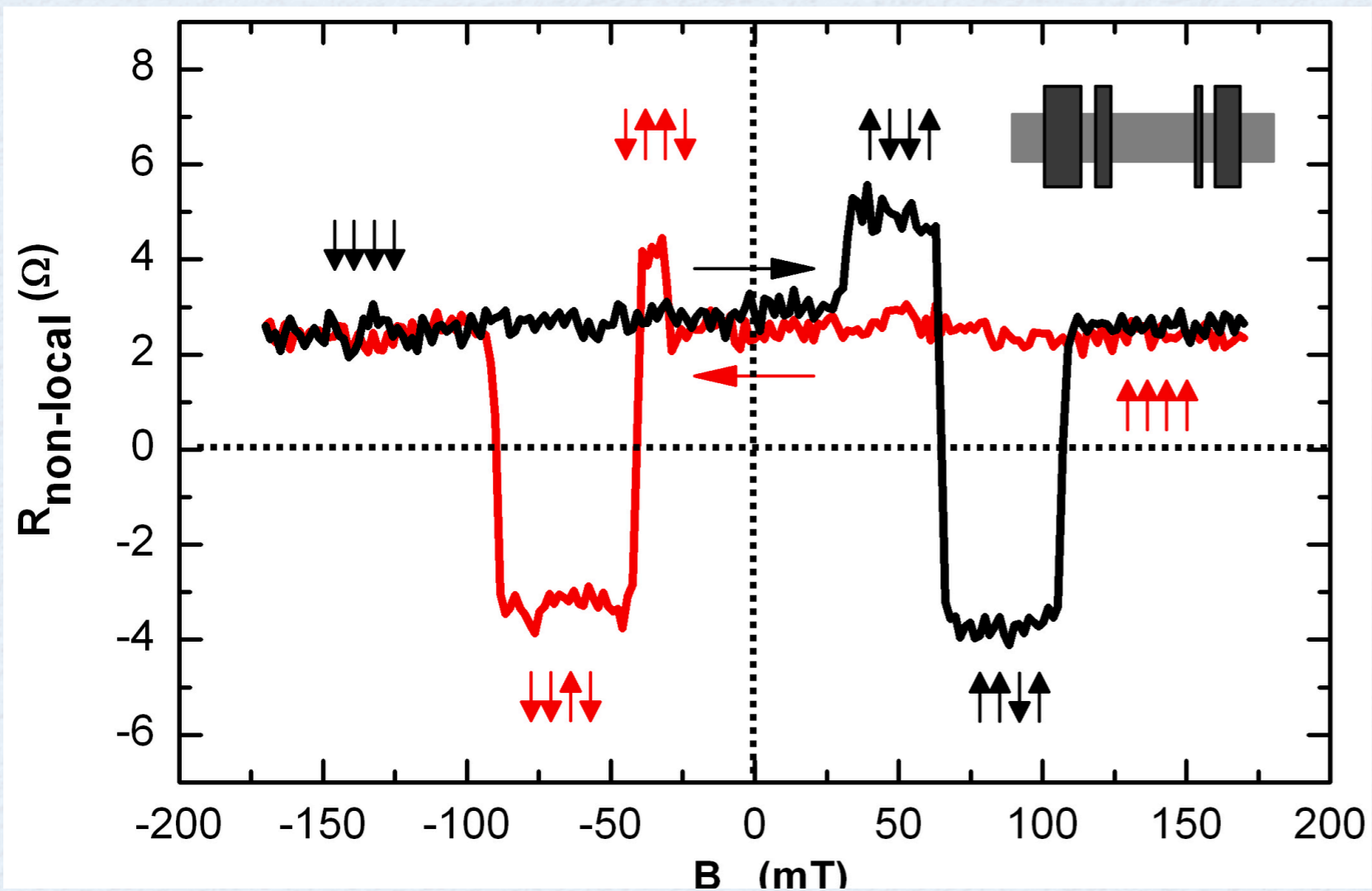
# WIDTH CONTROL: PLASMA ETCHING

*dirty, but  
it works*



# SPIN VALVE AND SPIN PRECESSION

# 4-TERMINAL SPIN VALVE MEASUREMENT

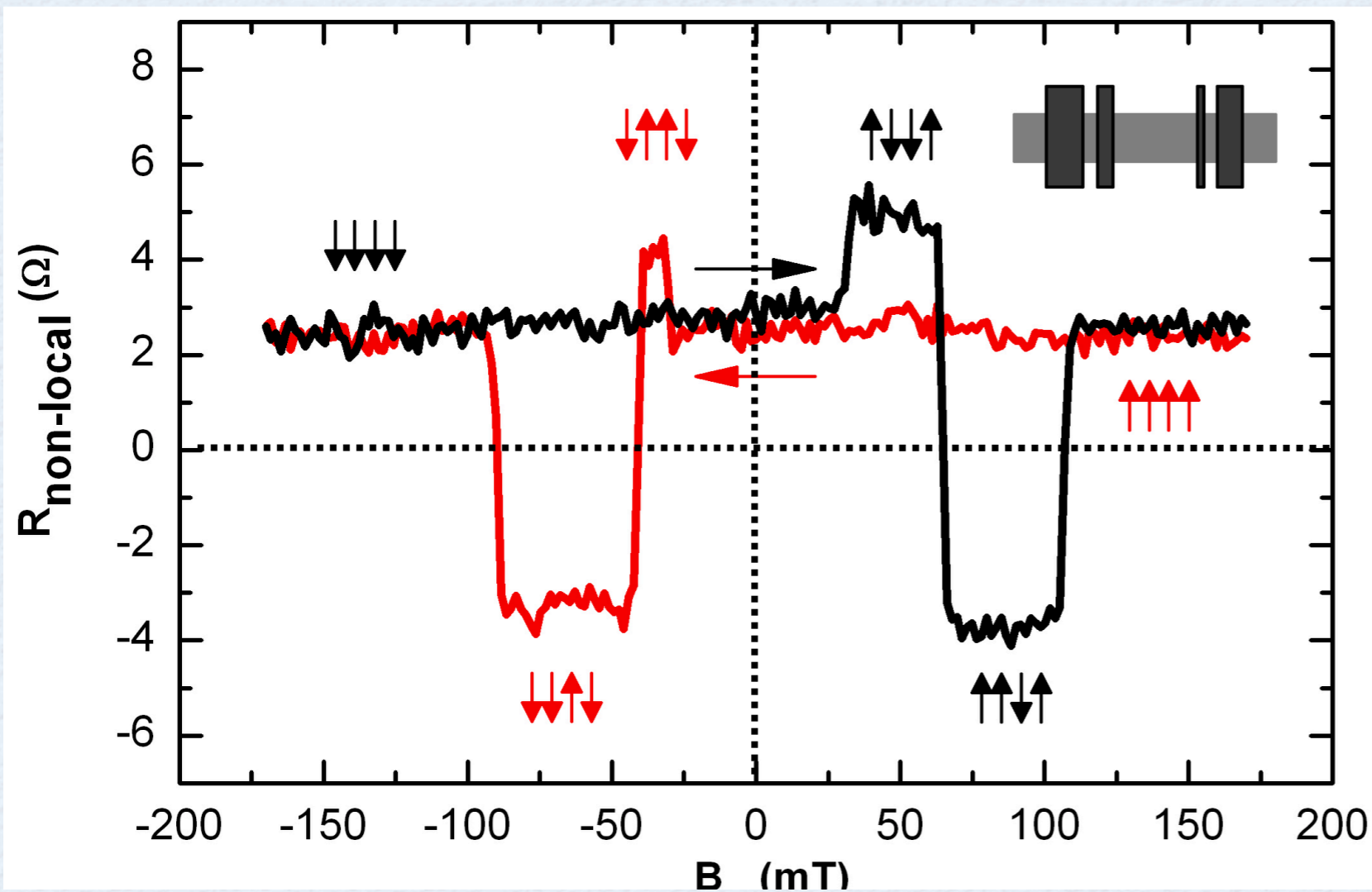


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Determining spin transport parameters: length dependence?

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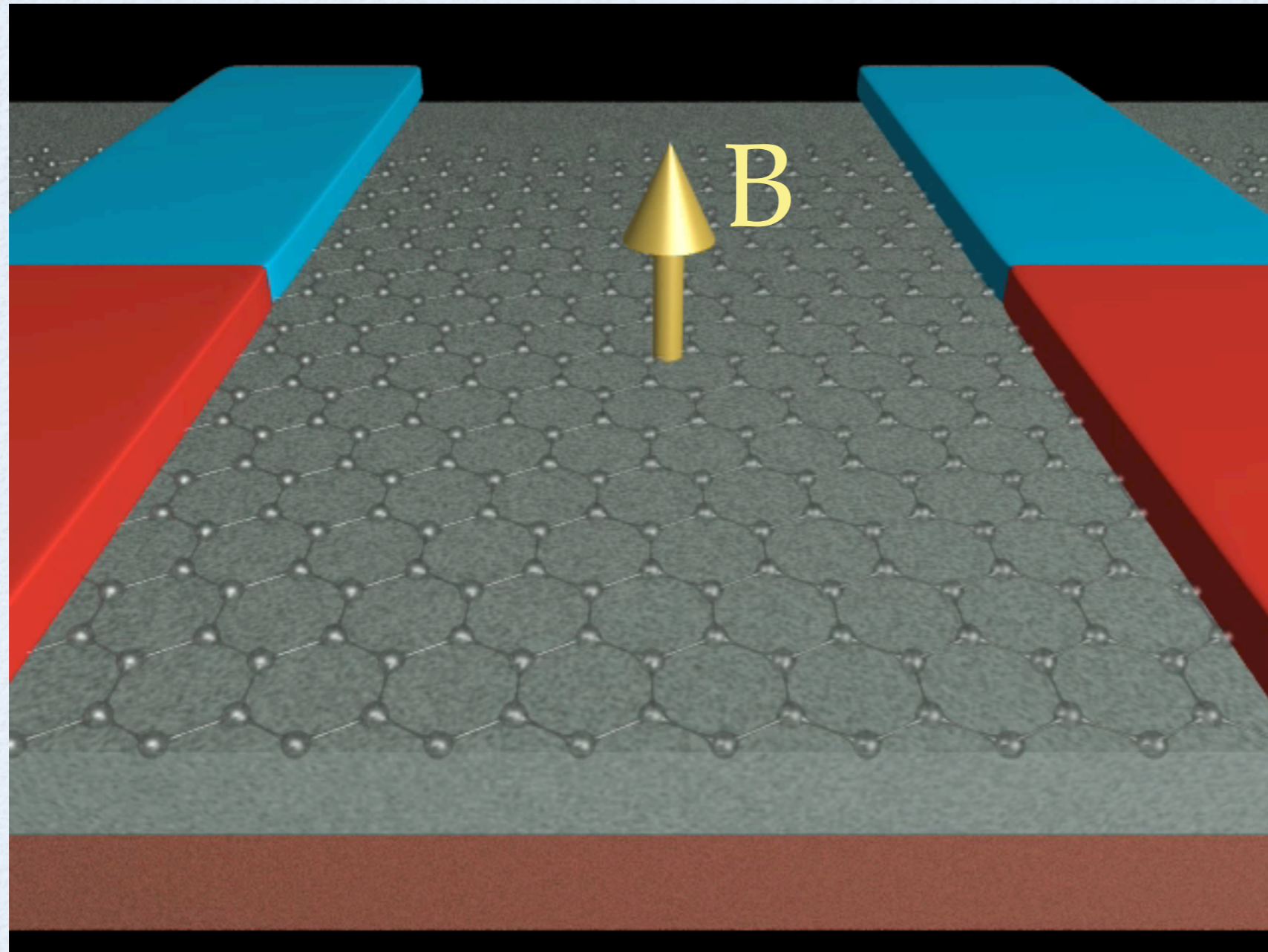
- > diffusion over  $6\mu\text{m}$
- > sign reversal
- > low noise
- >  $T = 300\text{K}!$
- > old measurement!

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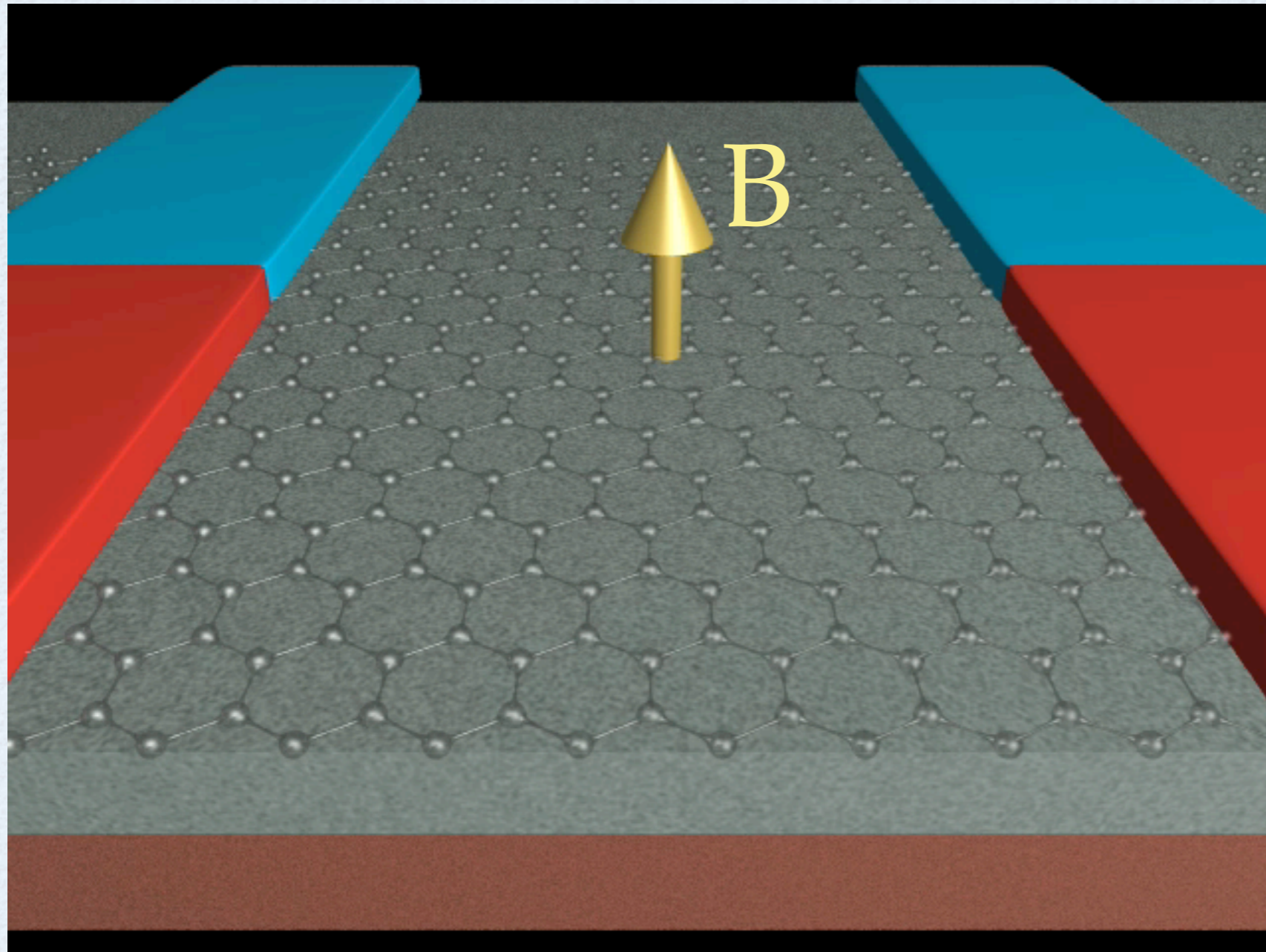
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spin precession  
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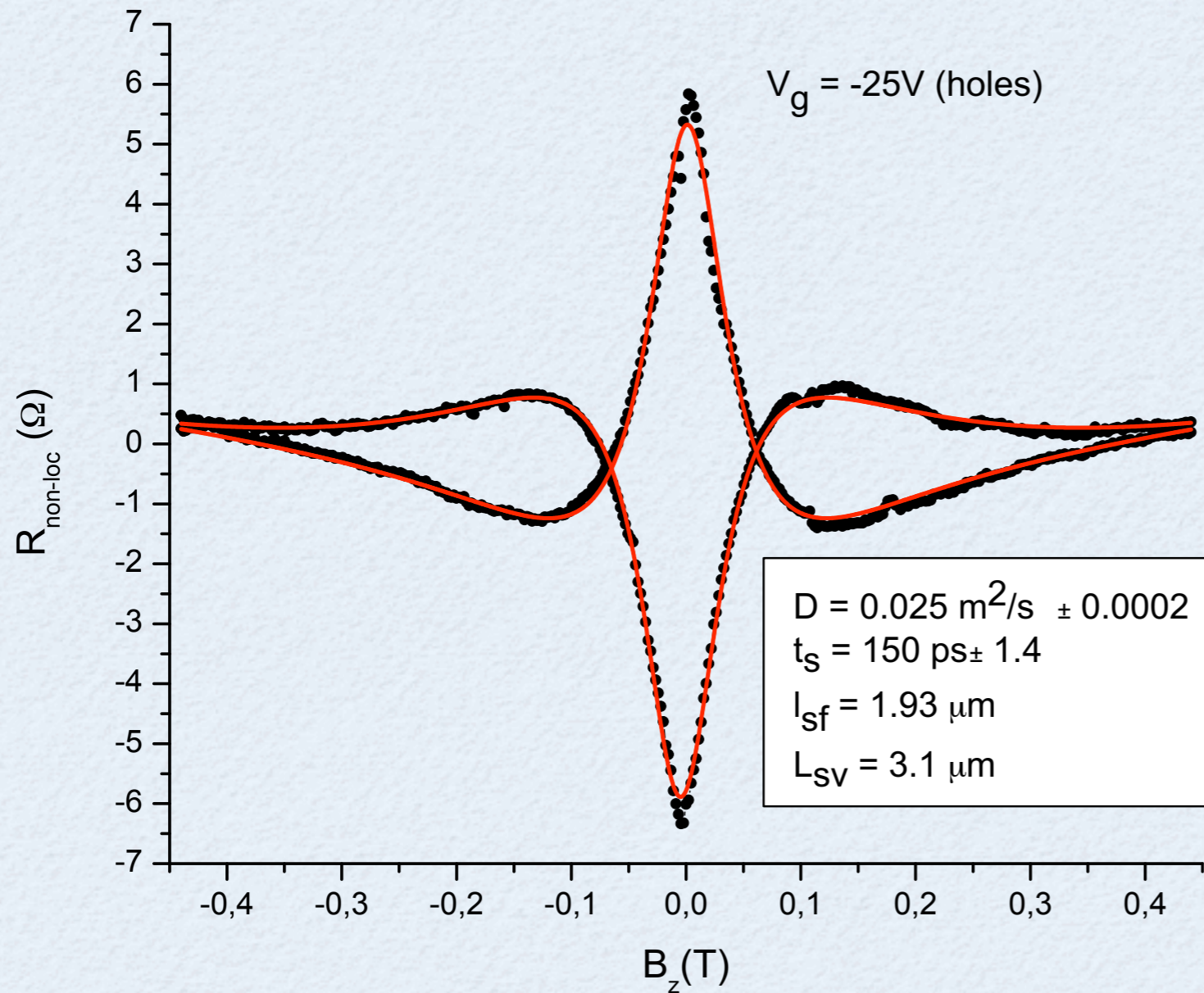


spin precession  
under external  
magnetic field

spin signal  
depends on:

- B strength
- SV length
- spin flip time
- diffusion const
- spin injection

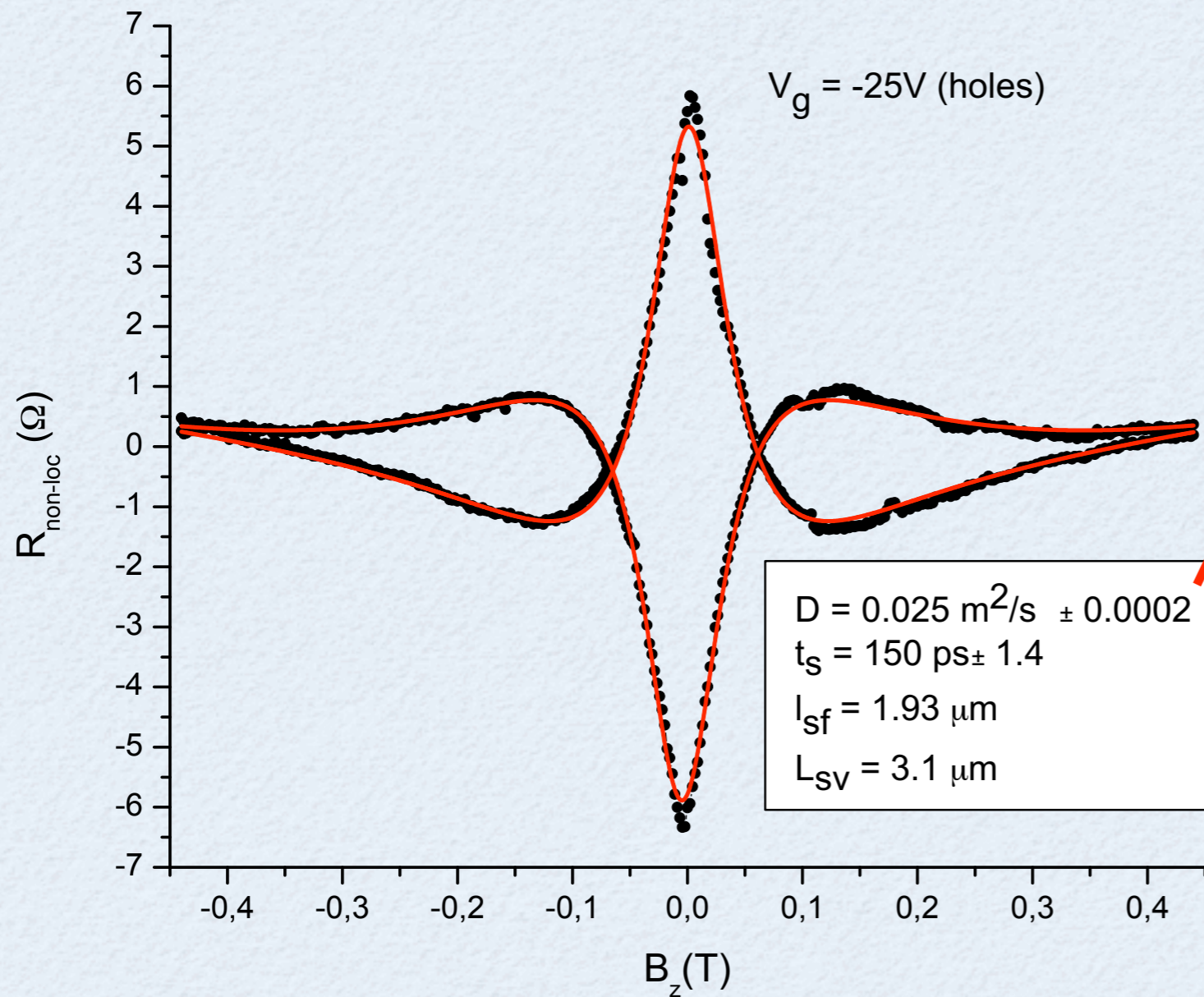
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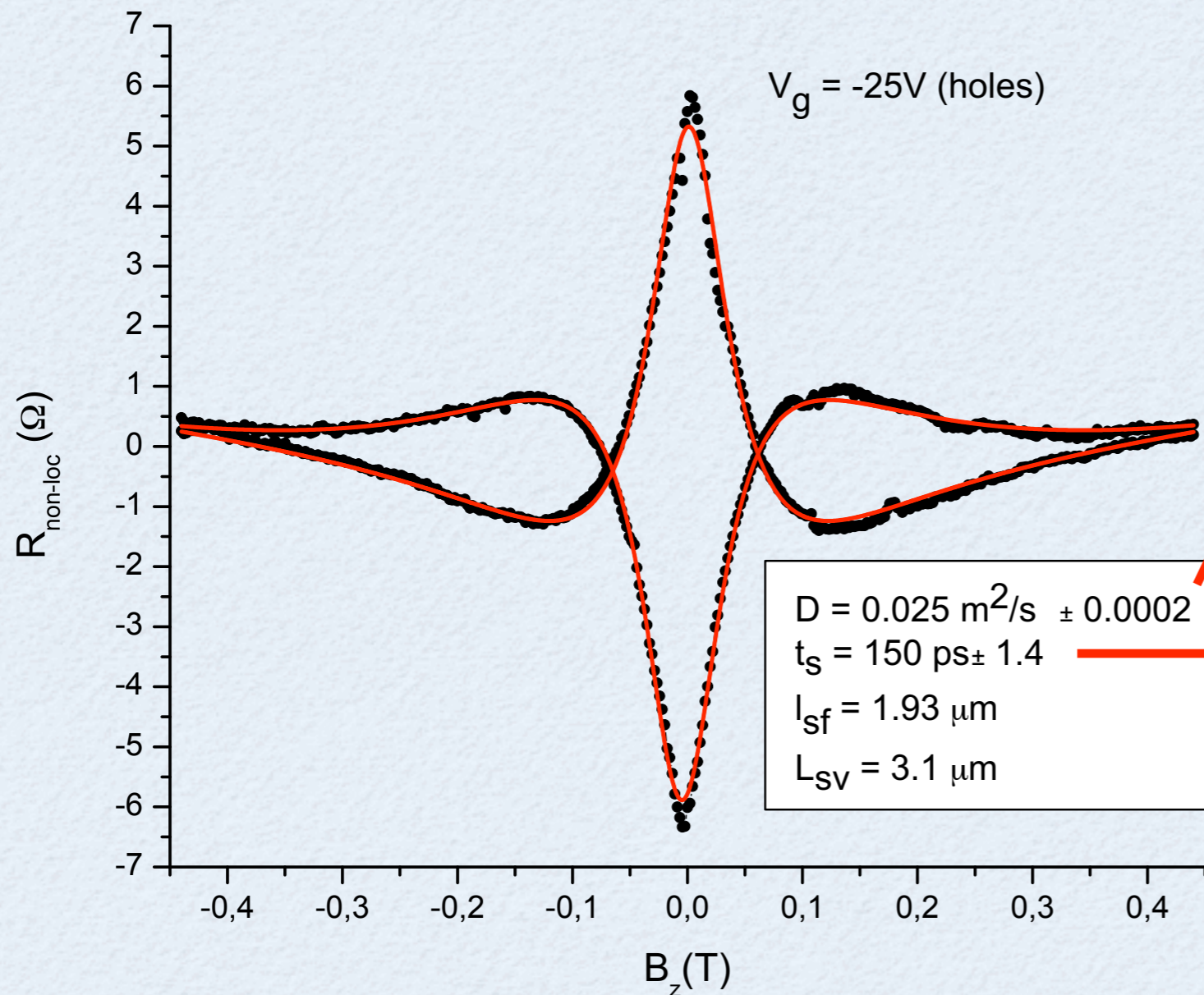
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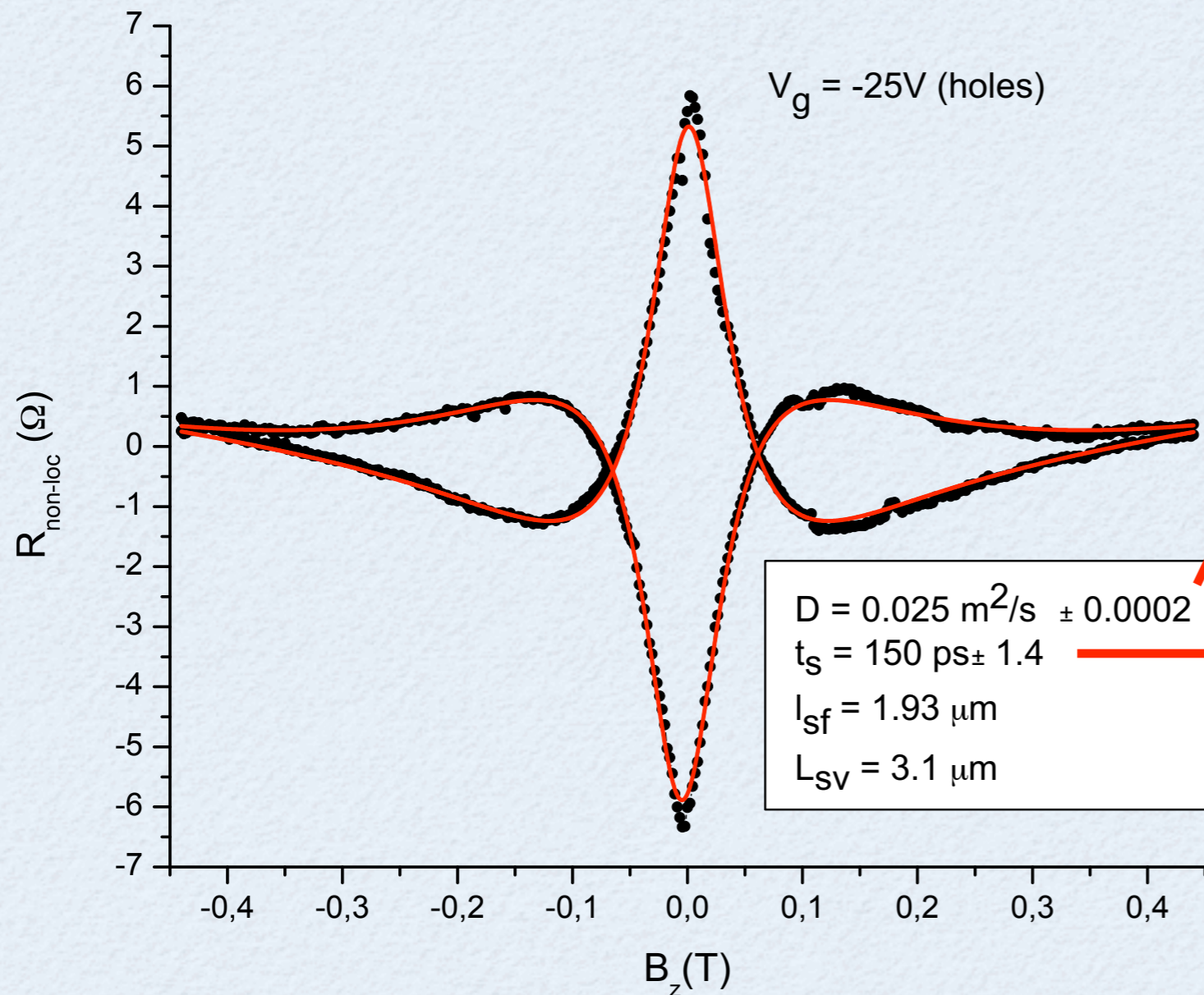
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**Relaxation:**  
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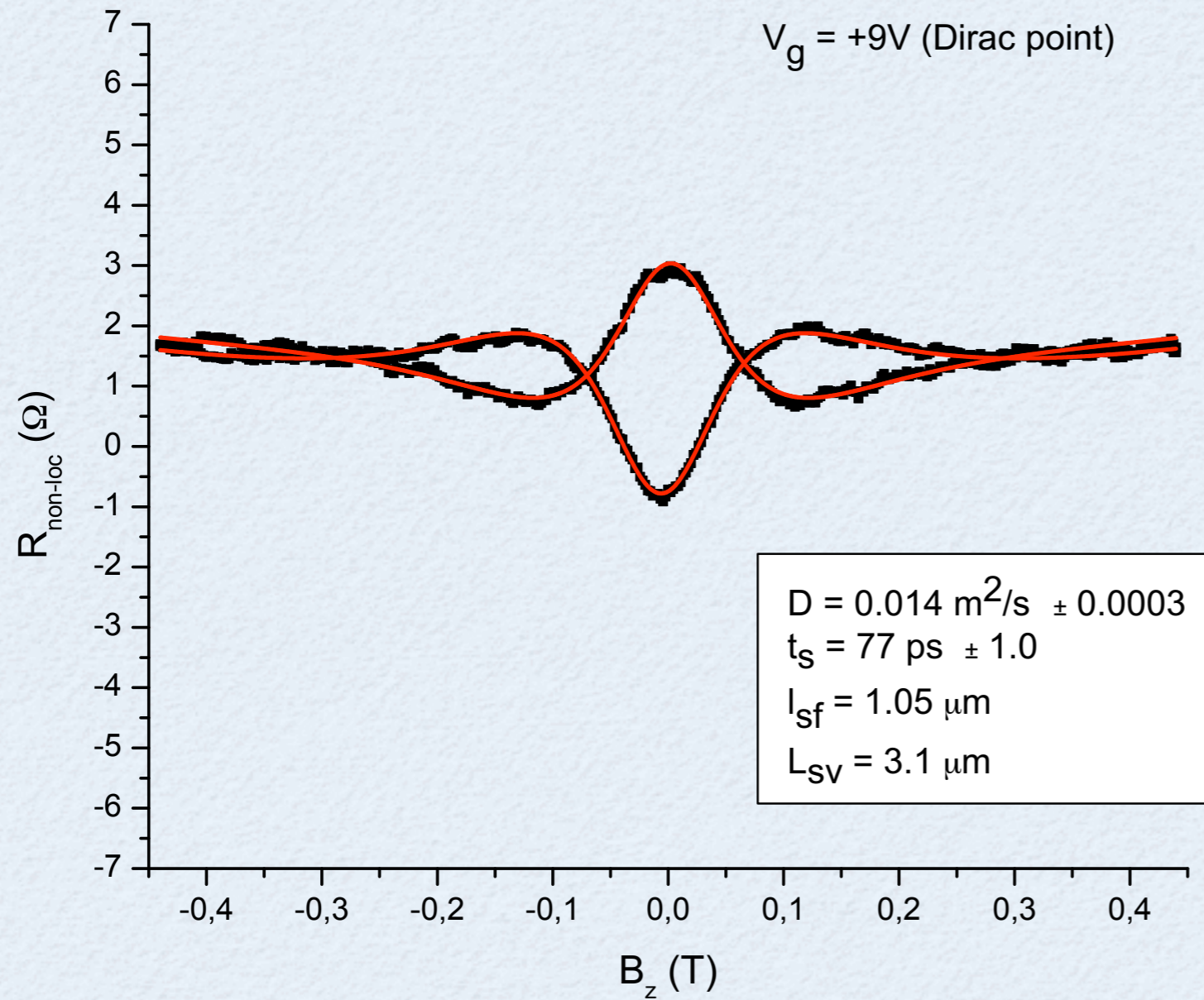
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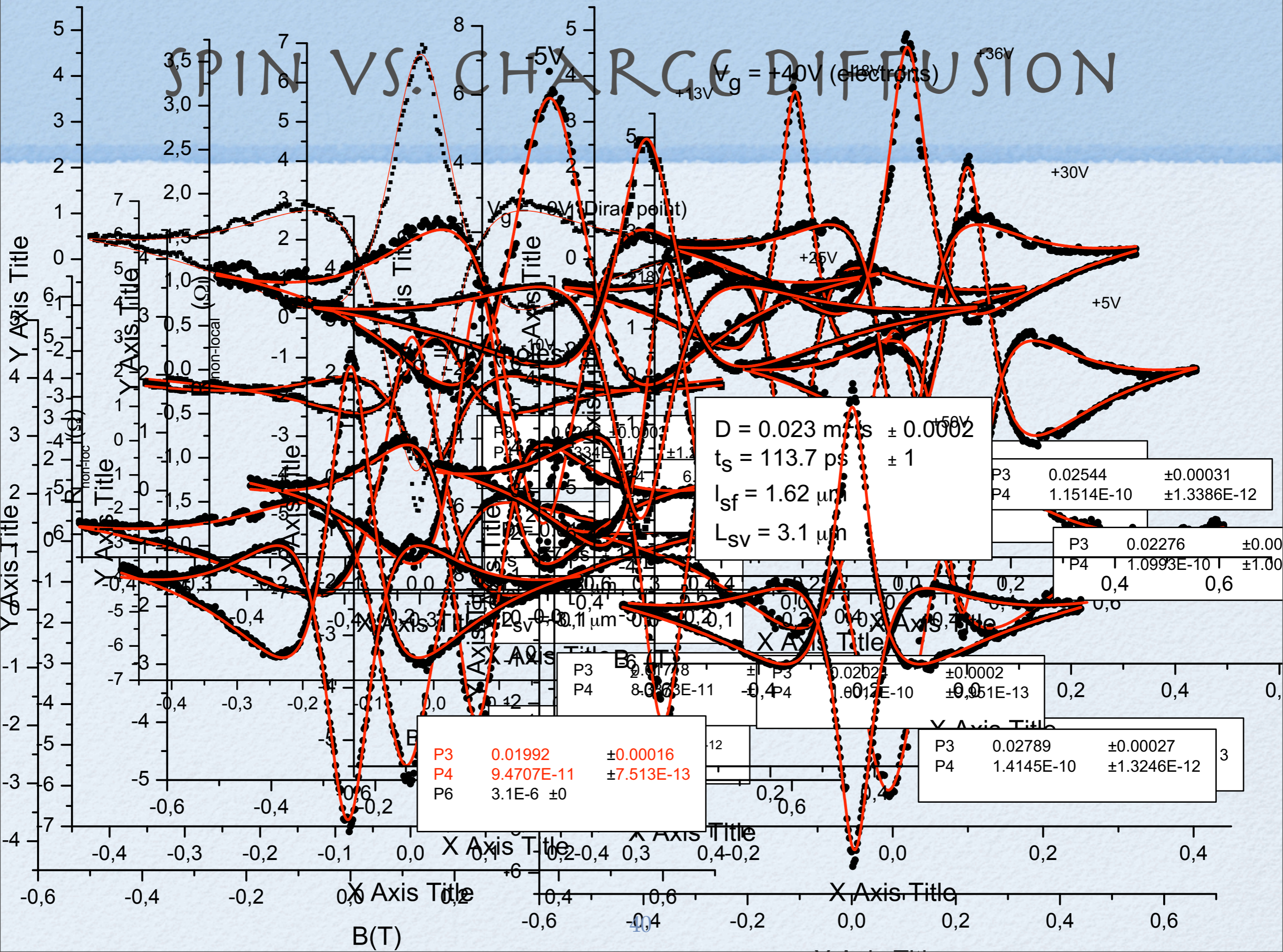
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|----|------------|-----------------|
| P3 | 0.01992    | $\pm 0.00016$   |
| P4 | 9.4707E-11 | $\pm 7.513E-13$ |
| P6 | 3.1E-6     | $\pm 0$         |

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| $D = 0.023 \text{ m}^2/\text{s} \pm 0.0002$ |  |  |
| $t_s = 113.7 \text{ ps} \pm 1$              |  |  |
| $l_{sf} = 1.62 \mu\text{m}$                 |  |  |
| $L_{sv} = 3.1 \mu\text{m}$                  |  |  |

|    |            |                  |
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| P4 | 1.1514E-10 | $\pm 1.3386E-12$ |

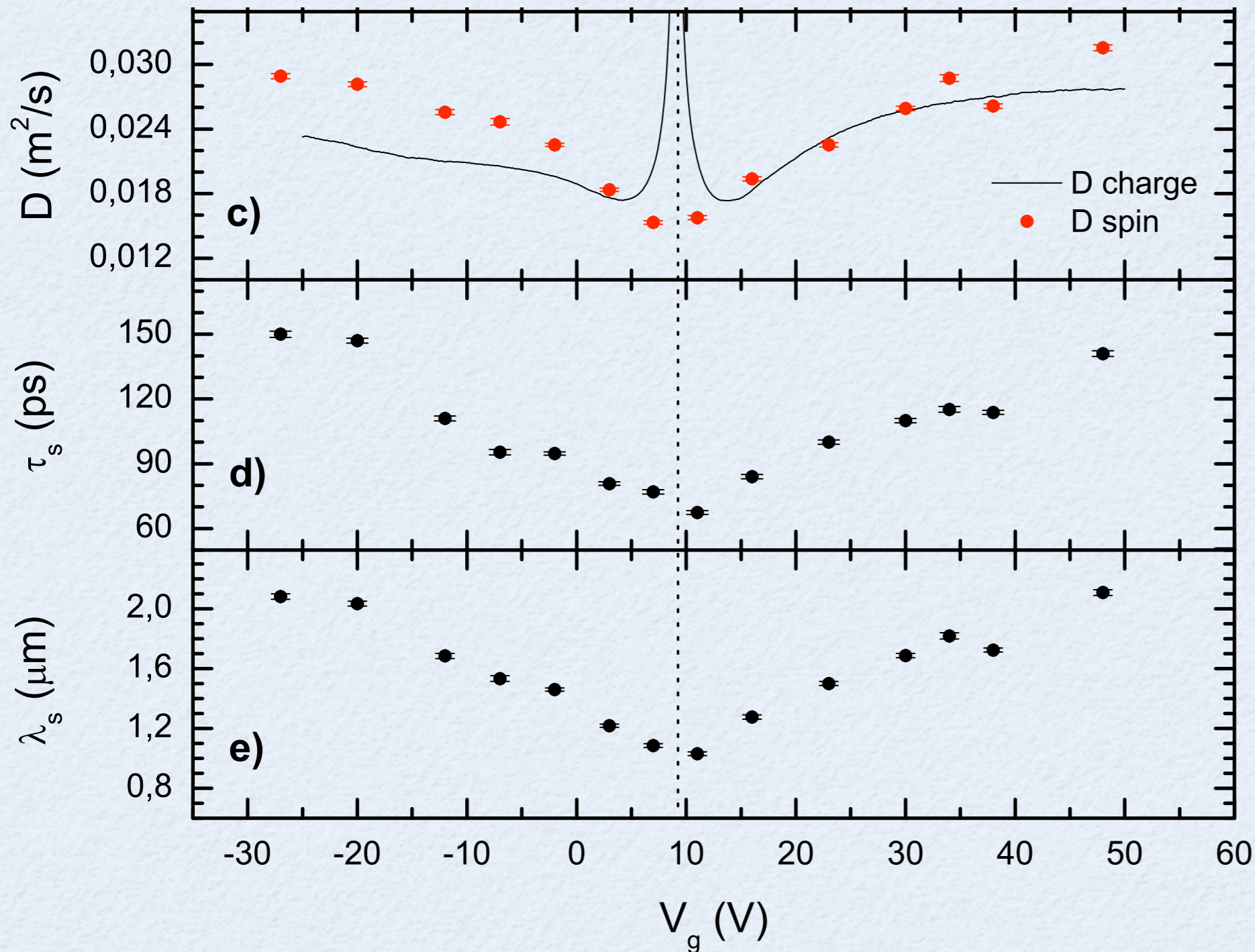
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|    |            |                 |
|----|------------|-----------------|
| P3 | 0.01778    | $\pm 0.00022$   |
| P4 | 8.0363E-11 | $\pm 0.051E-13$ |

|    |            |                 |
|----|------------|-----------------|
| P3 | 0.02022    | $\pm 0.00022$   |
| P4 | 1.0017E-10 | $\pm 0.051E-13$ |

|    |            |                  |
|----|------------|------------------|
| P3 | 0.02789    | $\pm 0.00027$    |
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spin and charge:  
similar diffusion

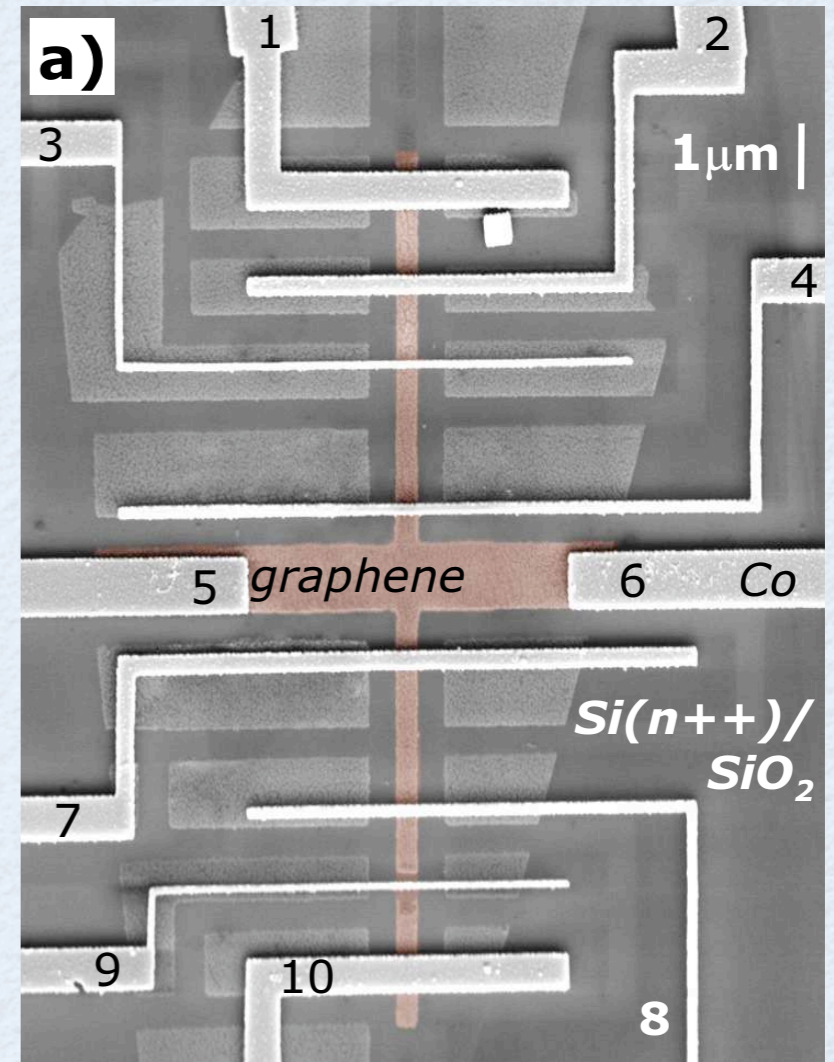
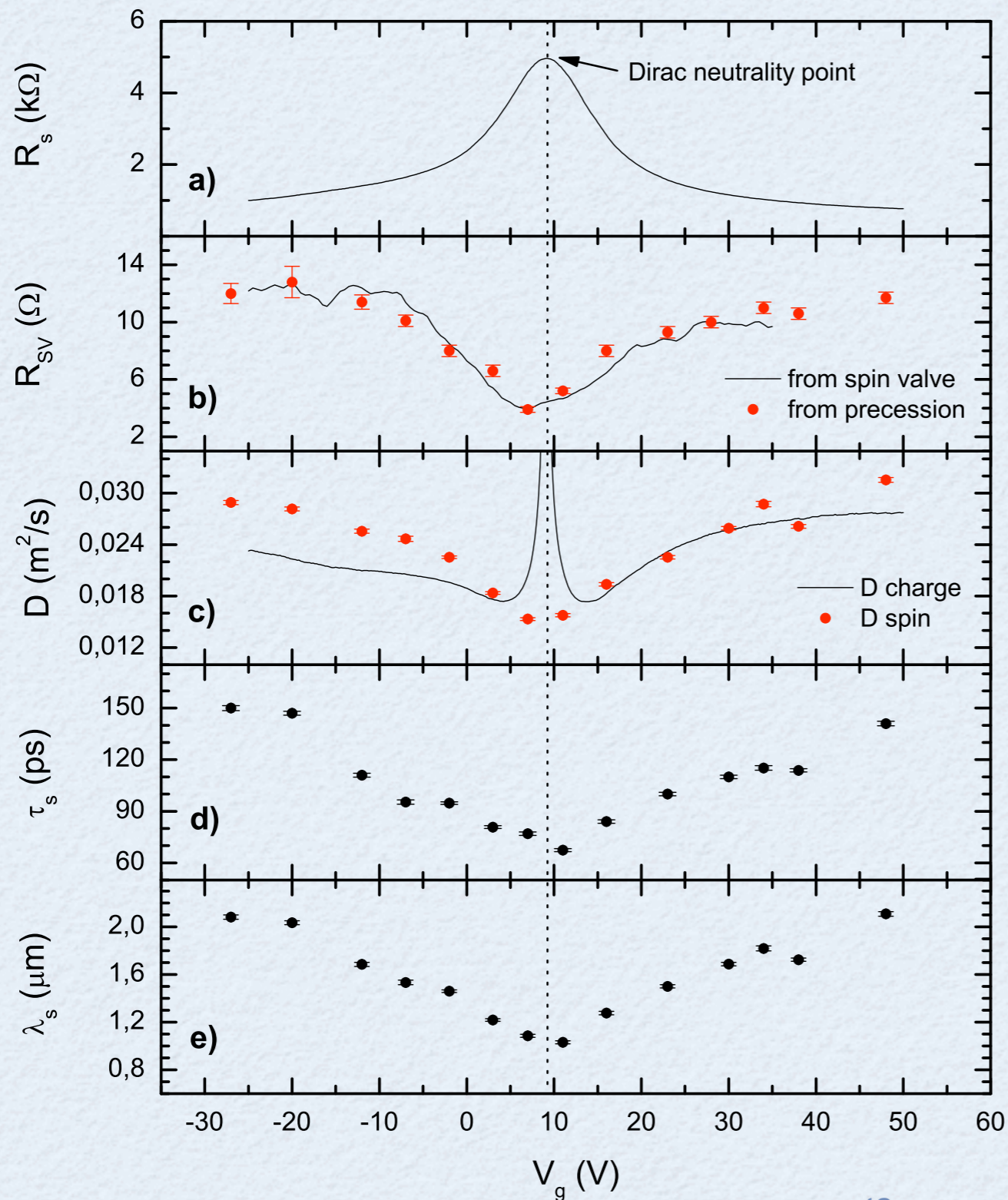
**no  
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-> e-e interactions  
too weak!

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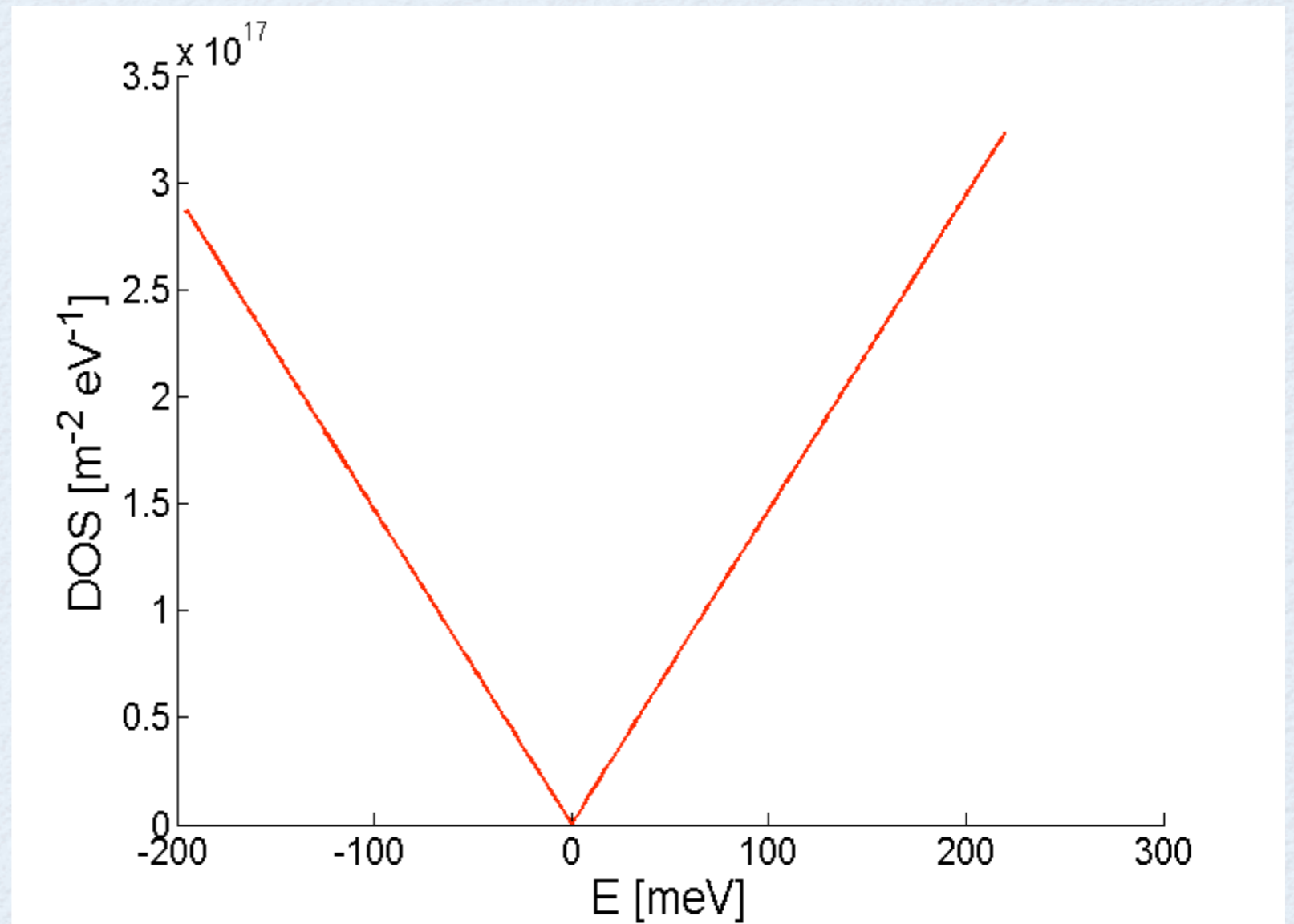
$$D = \frac{1}{e^2 \nu(E_F) R_{\text{square}}(V_g)}$$

$\nu(E_F)$ : DOS at  $E_F$

$R_{\text{square}}(V_g)$ : resistivity



singularity at  
charge neutrality point!



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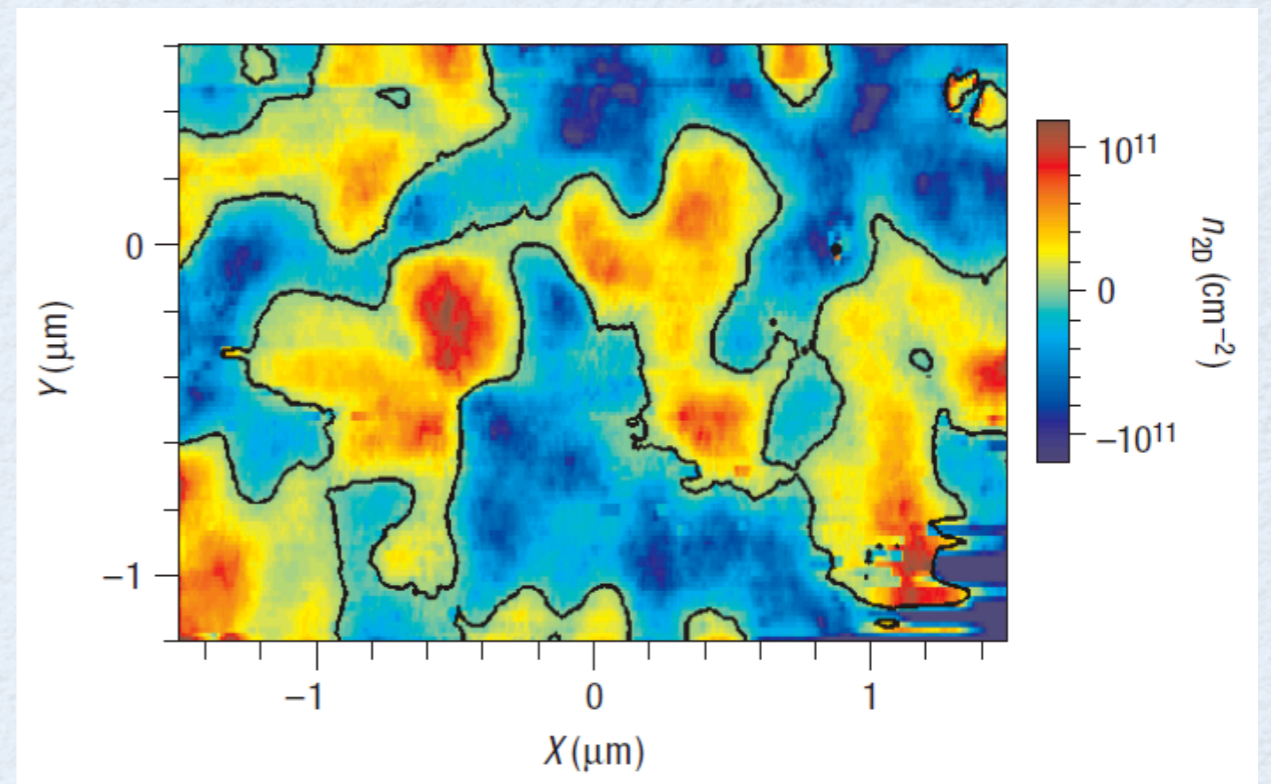
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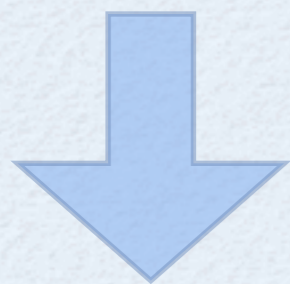
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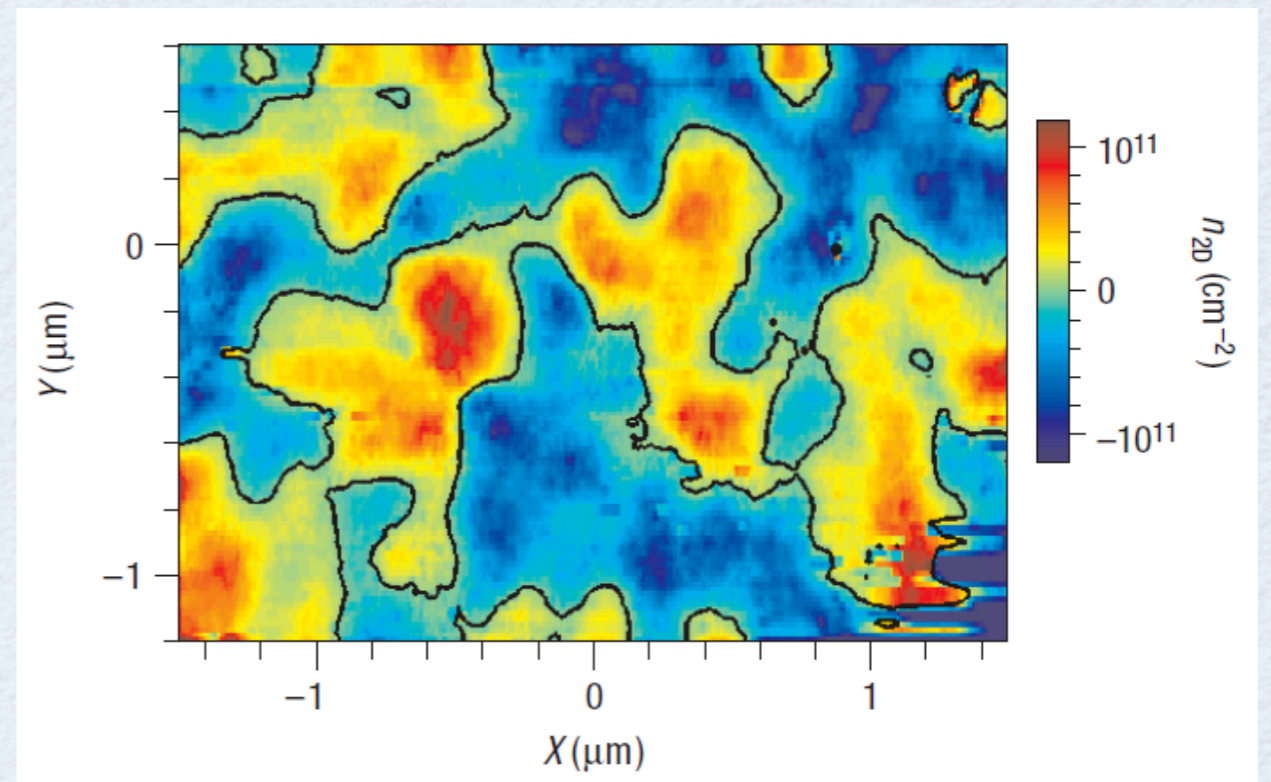


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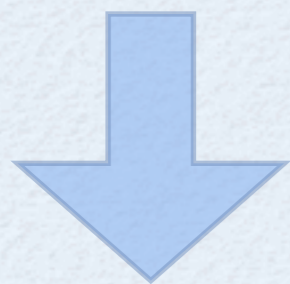


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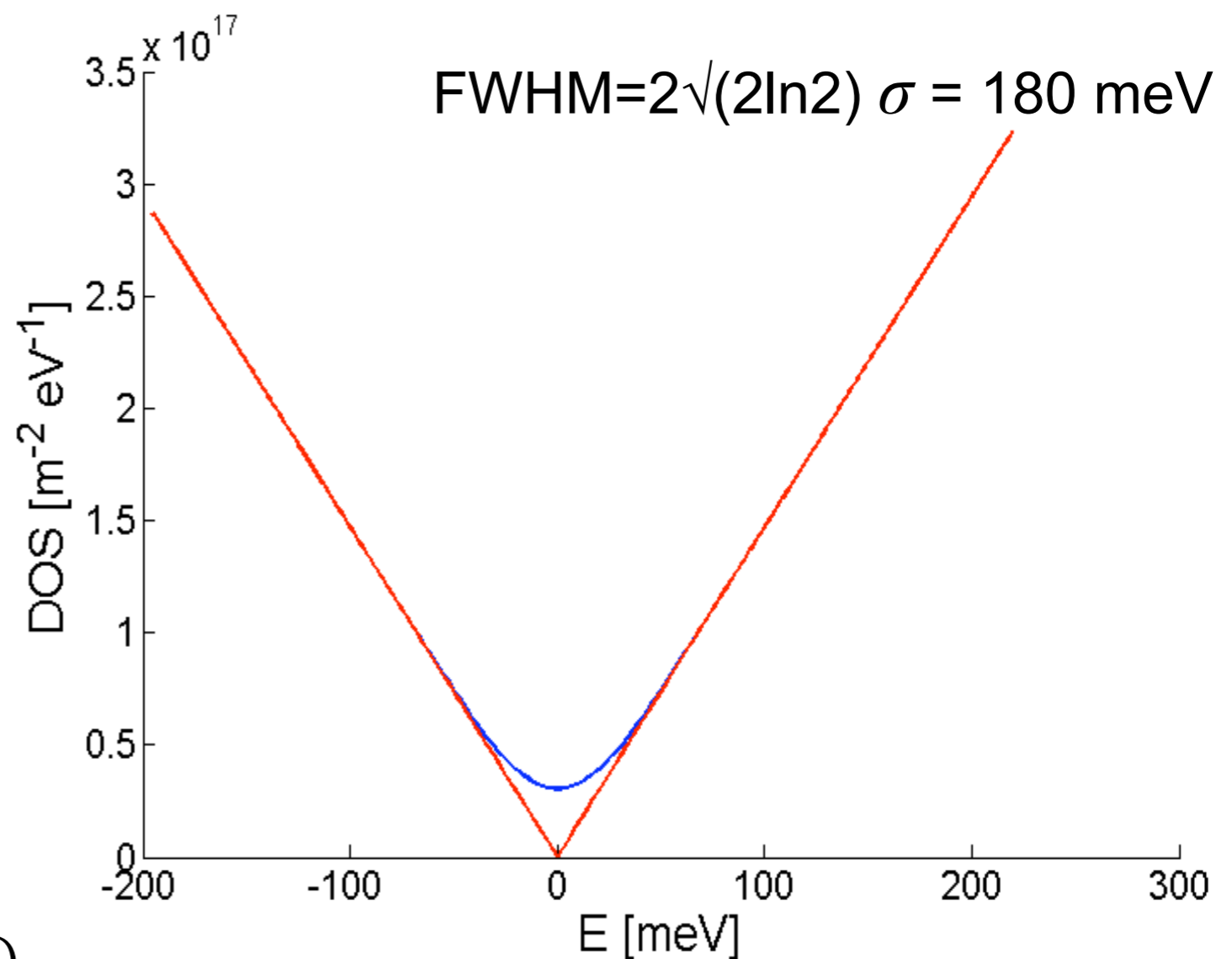
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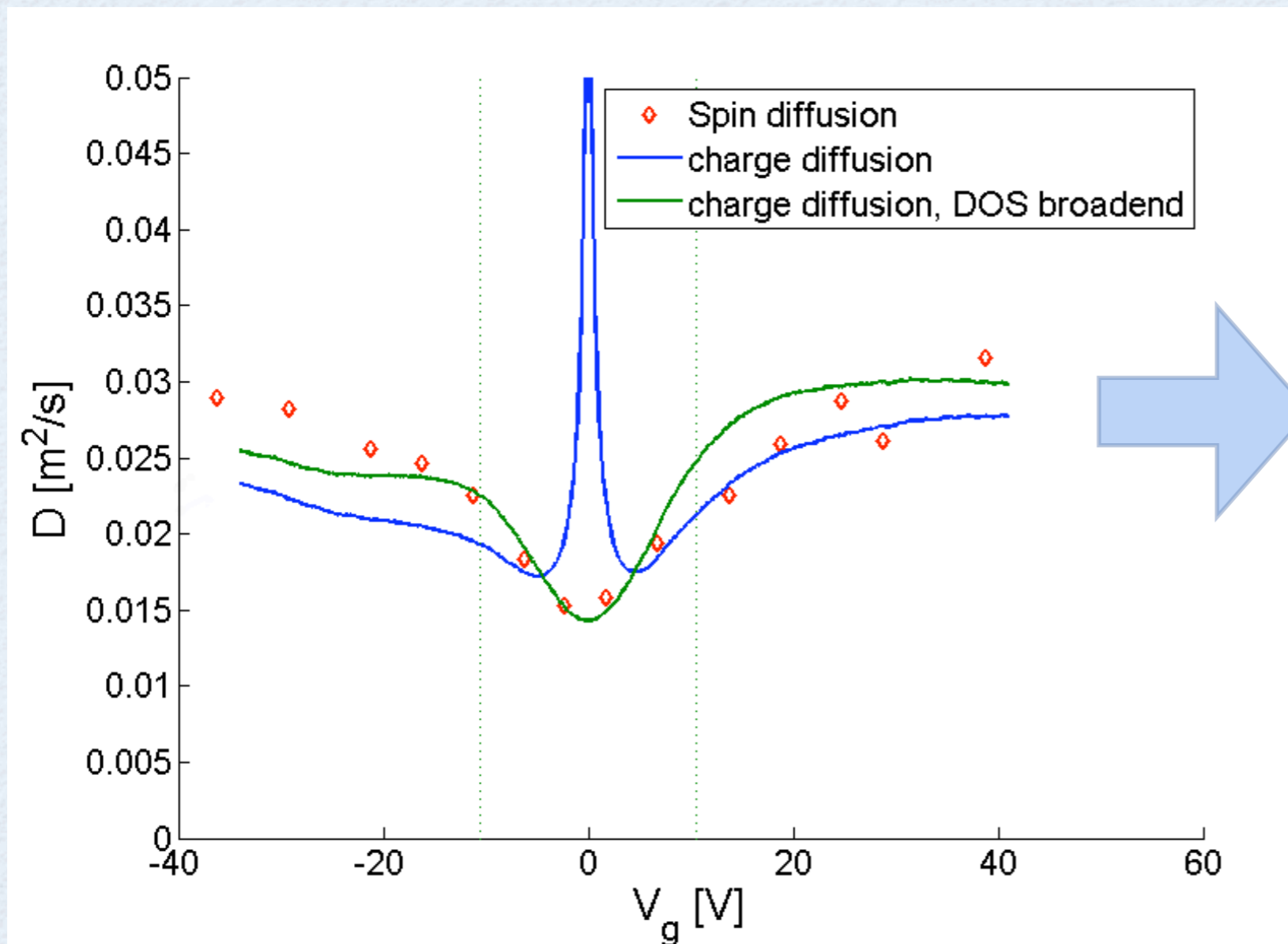
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$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} q(E) = \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{4g_s g_v \sqrt{\pi}}{(h\nu_f)^2} \left\{ \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{E^2}{2\sigma^2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} E \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{E}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \right) \right\} \right] = \frac{2g_s g_v \pi E}{(h\nu_f)^2} \quad \text{unbroadened}$$

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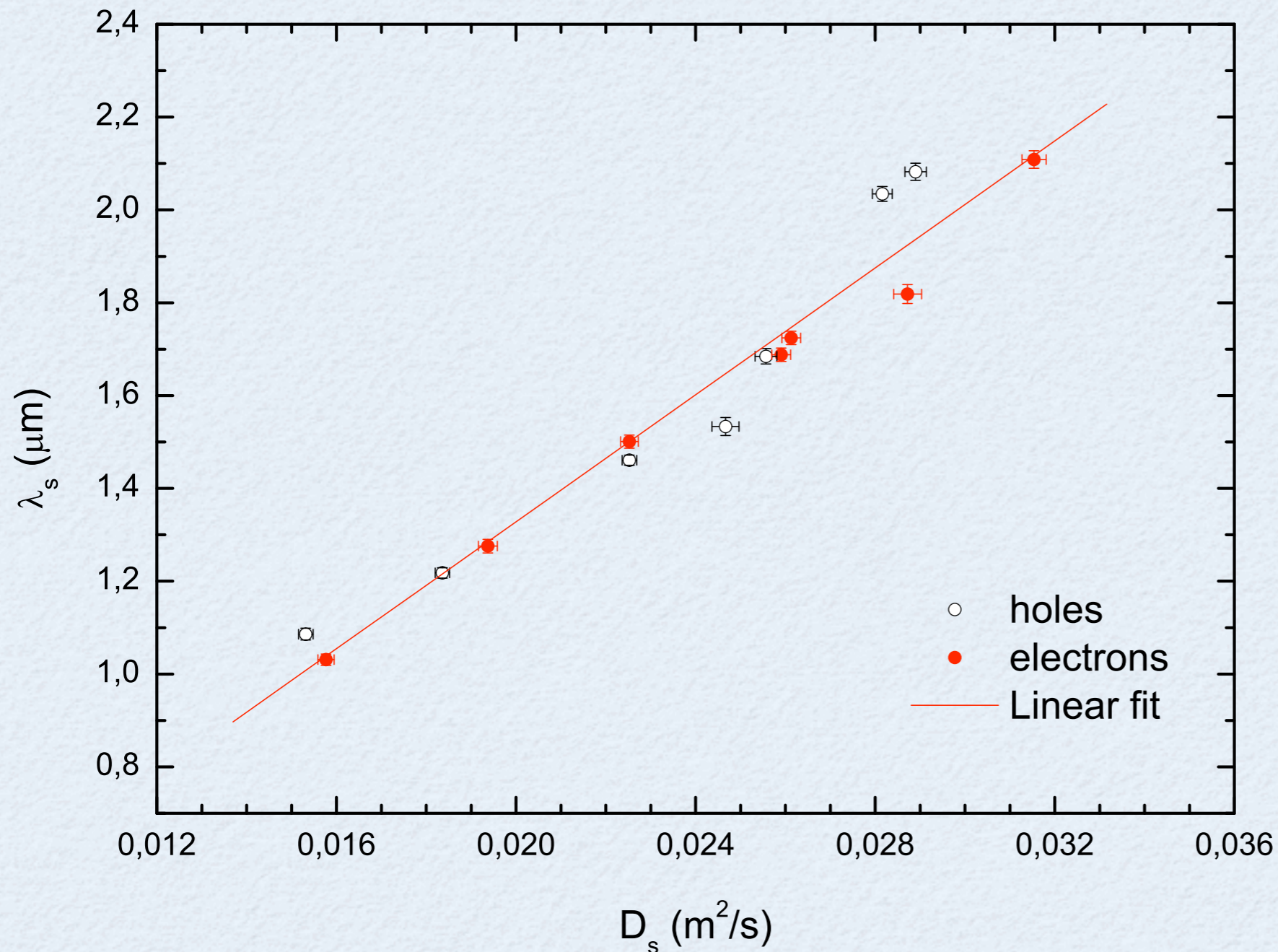


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very good agreement  
from 2 different  
approaches

no Coulomb drag!  
relaxation:  
on impurities

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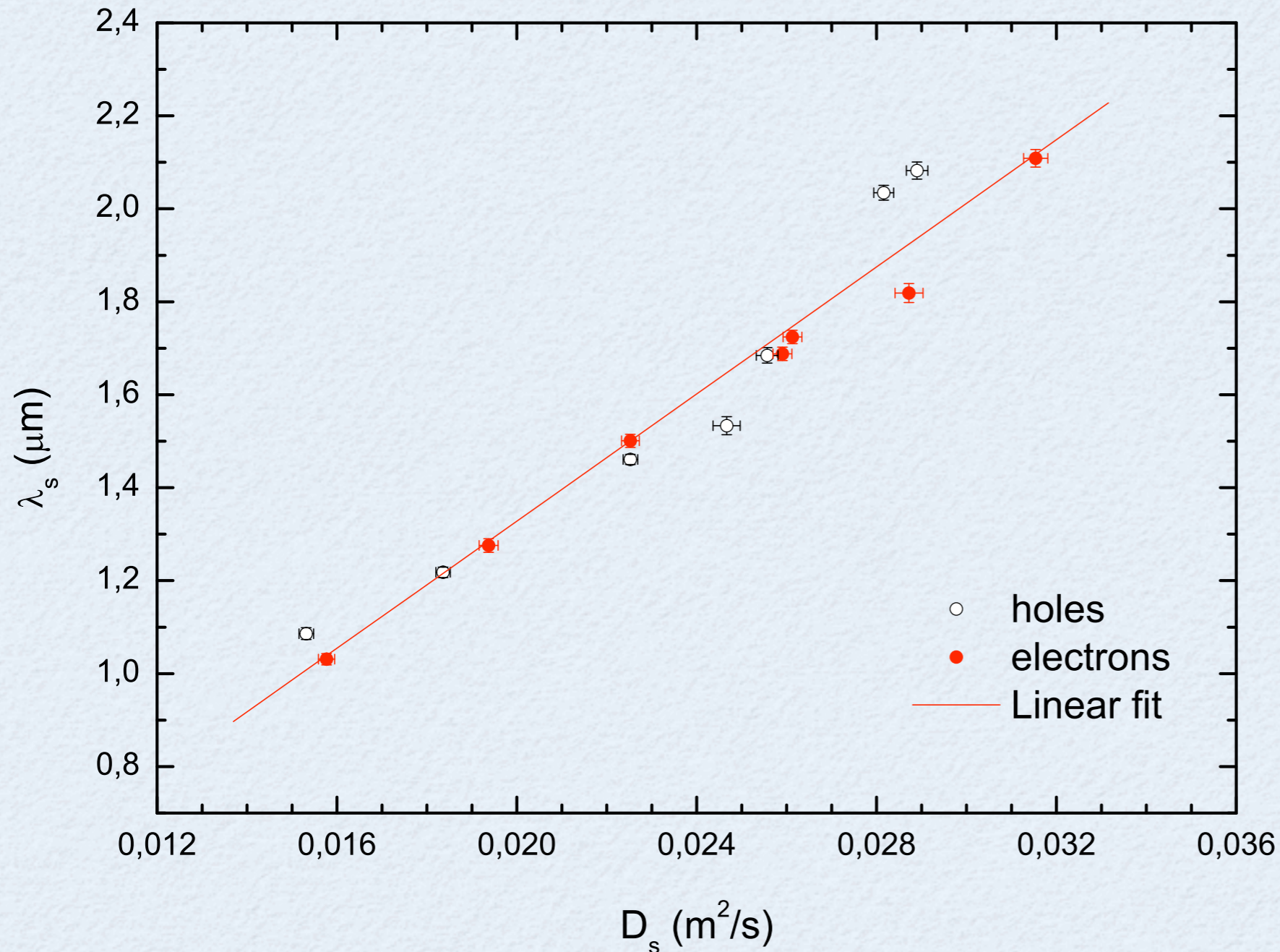


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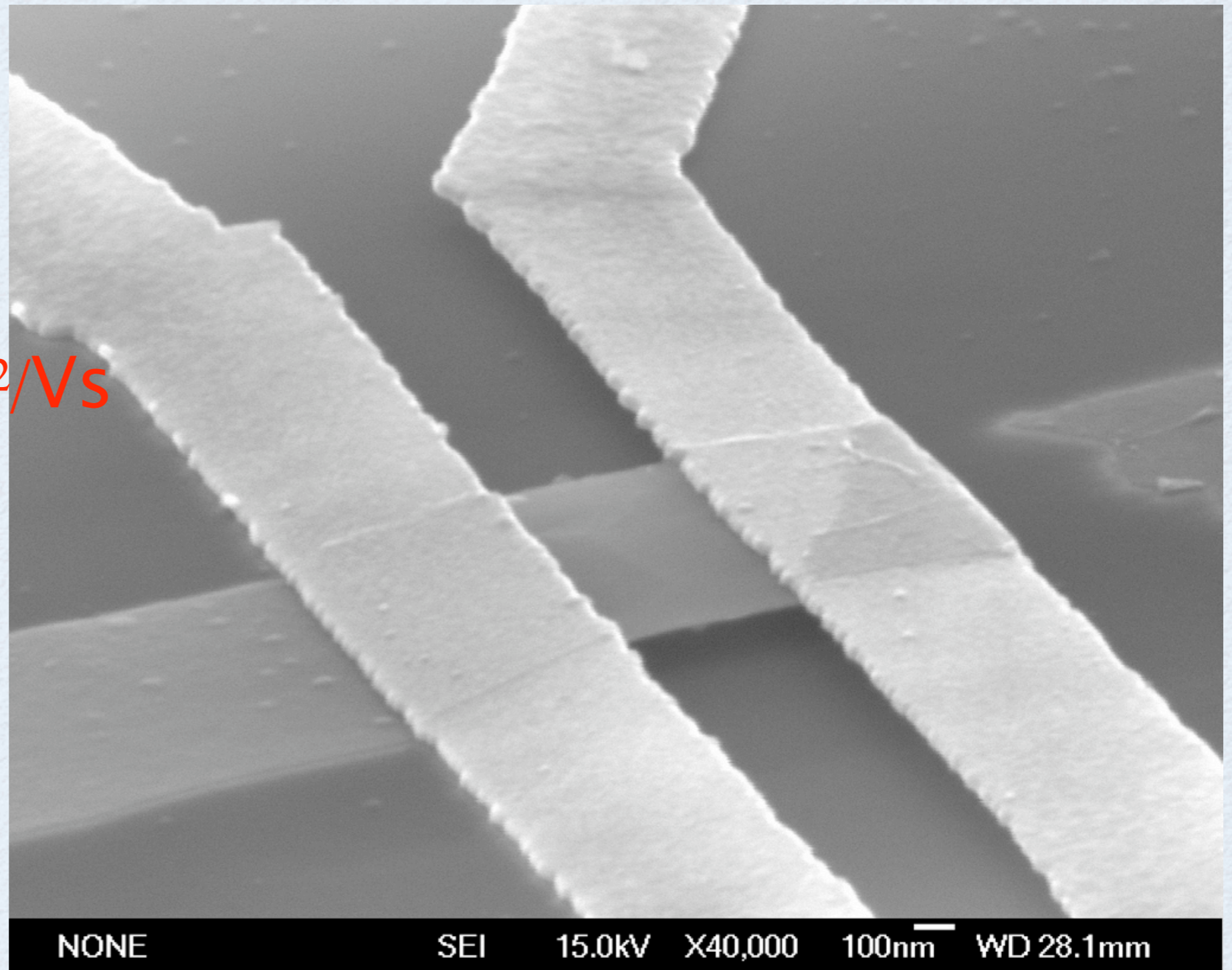
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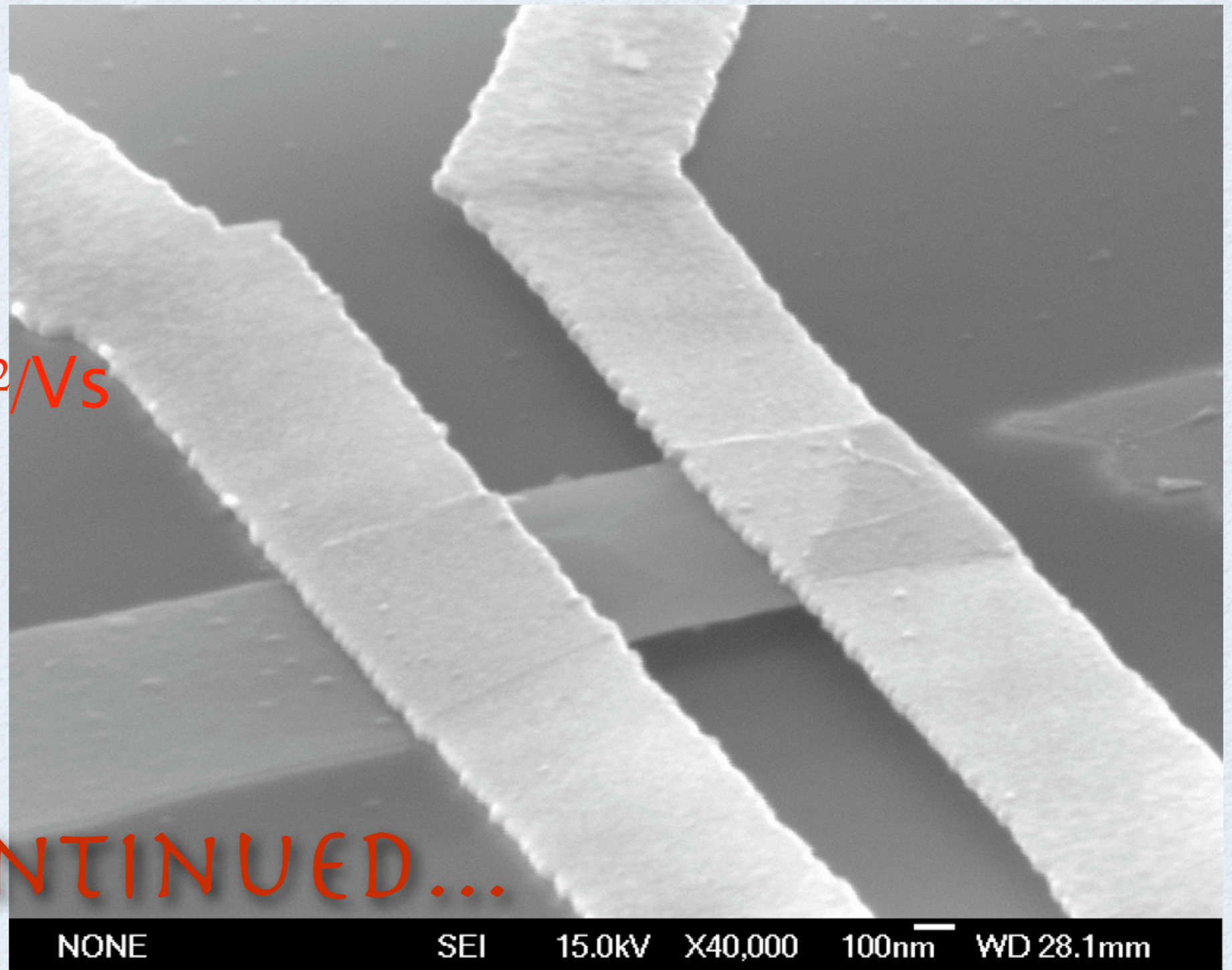
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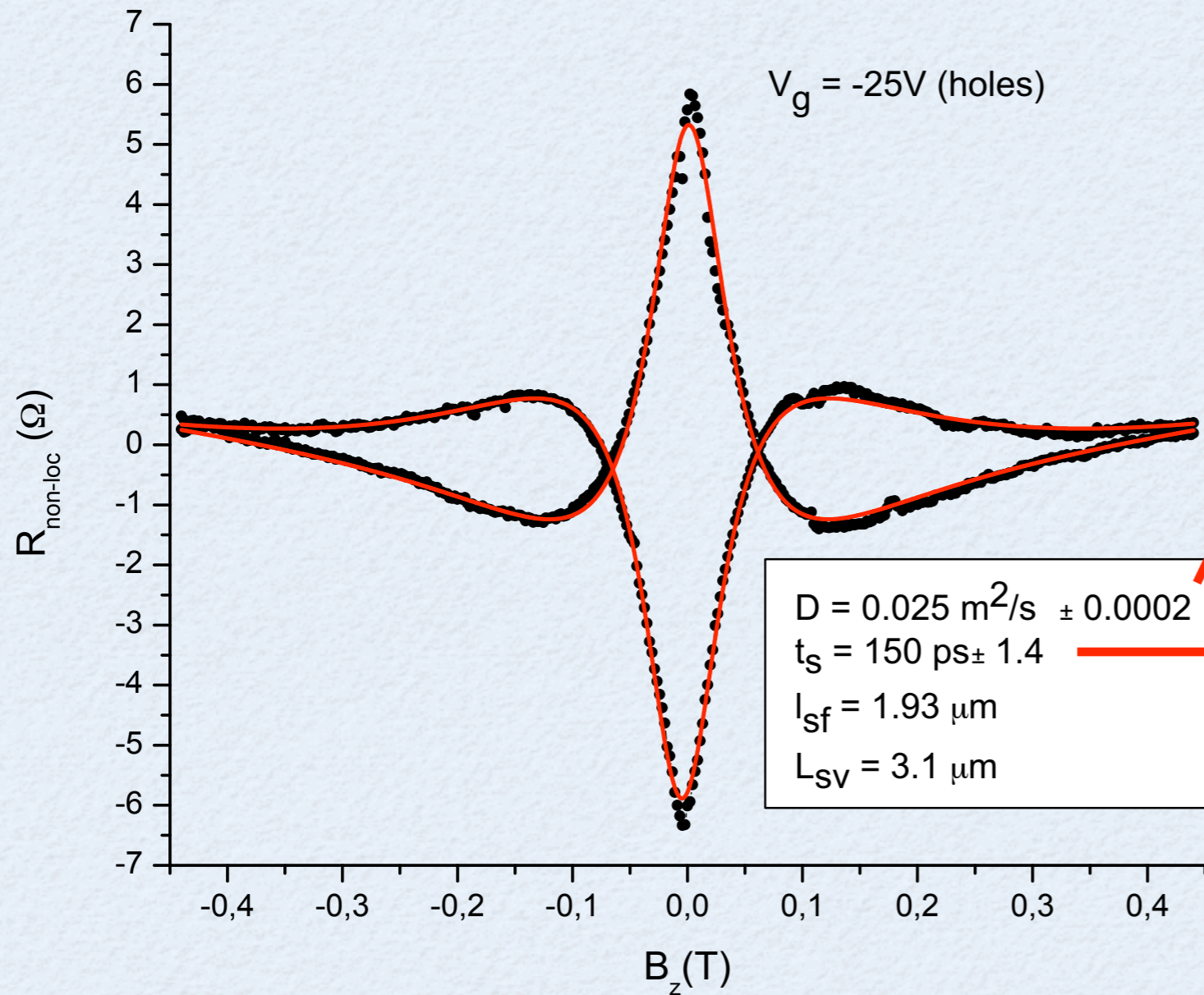
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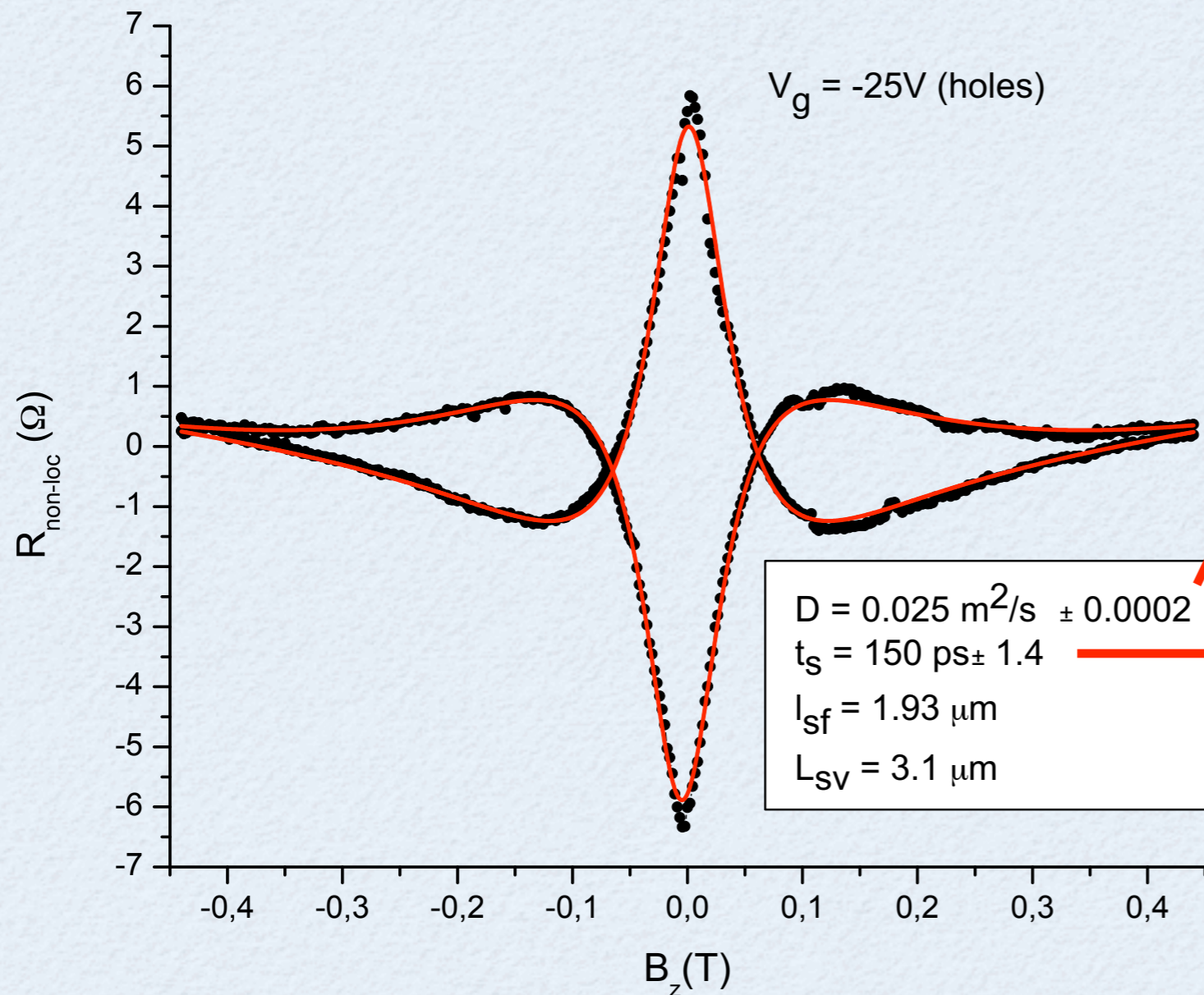
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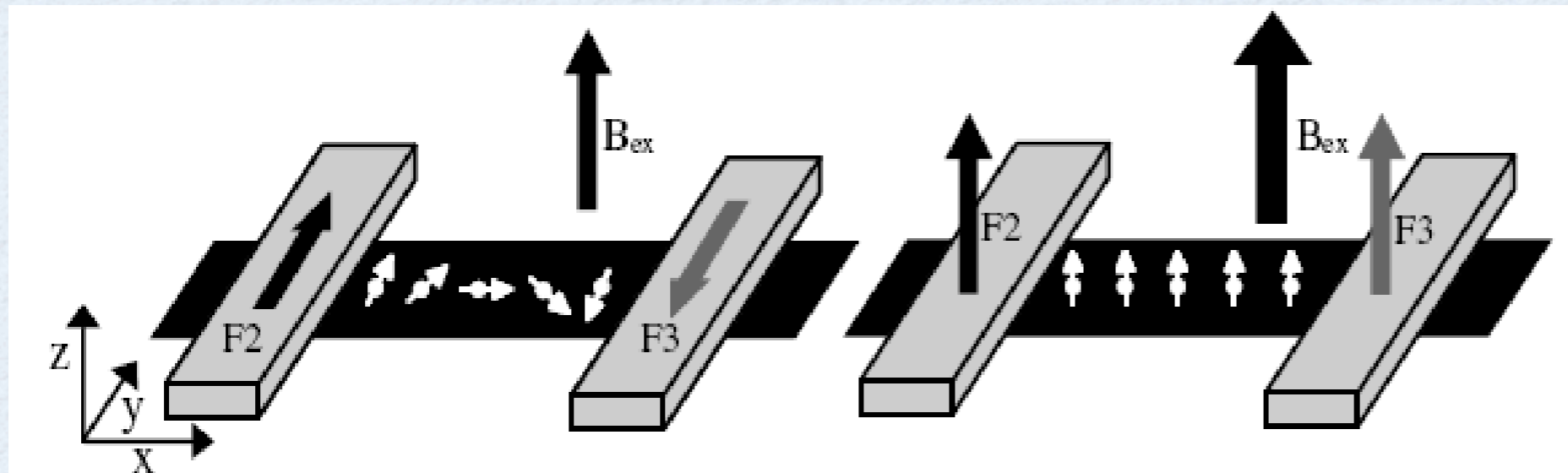


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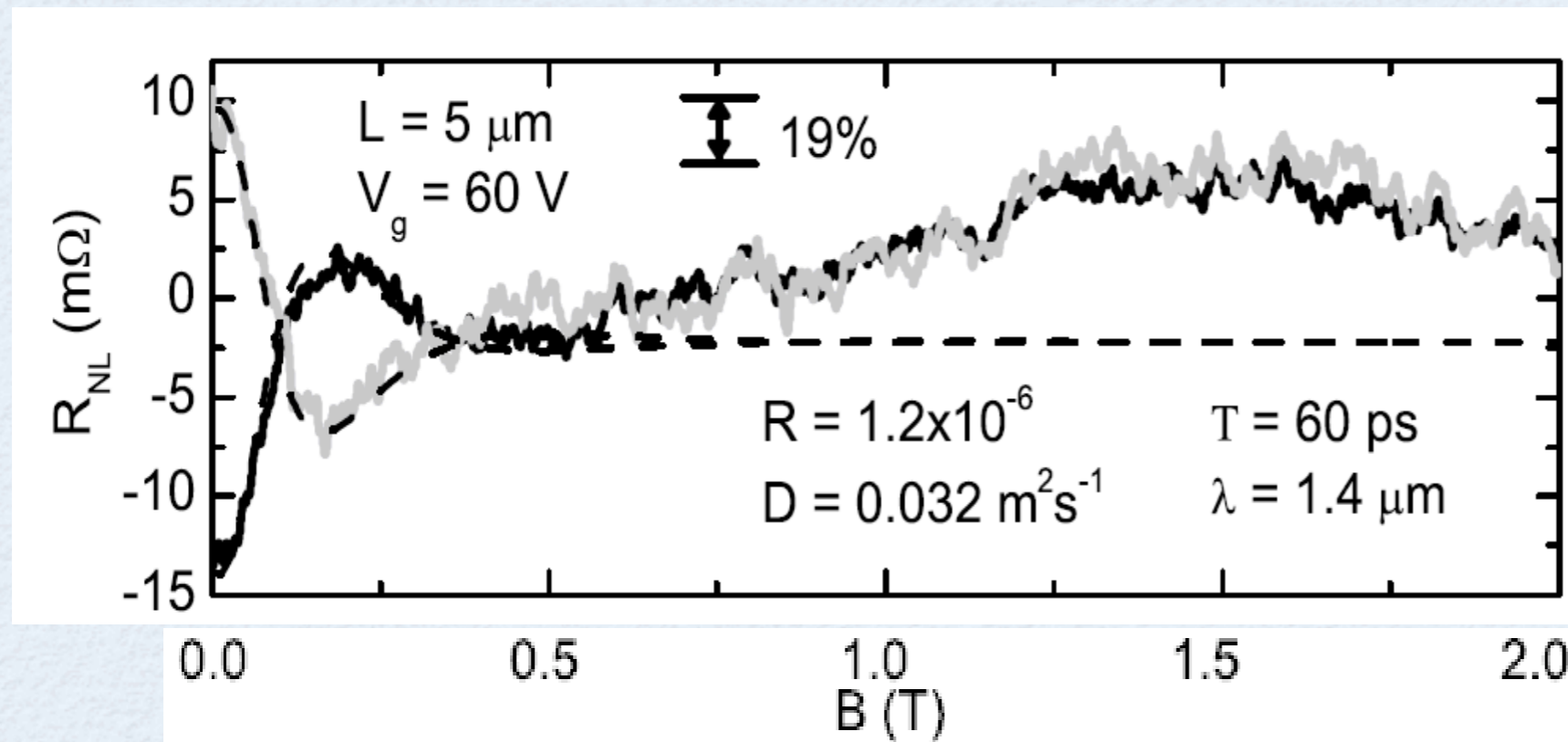
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What happens if the spin imbalance is orthogonal to the graphene plane?

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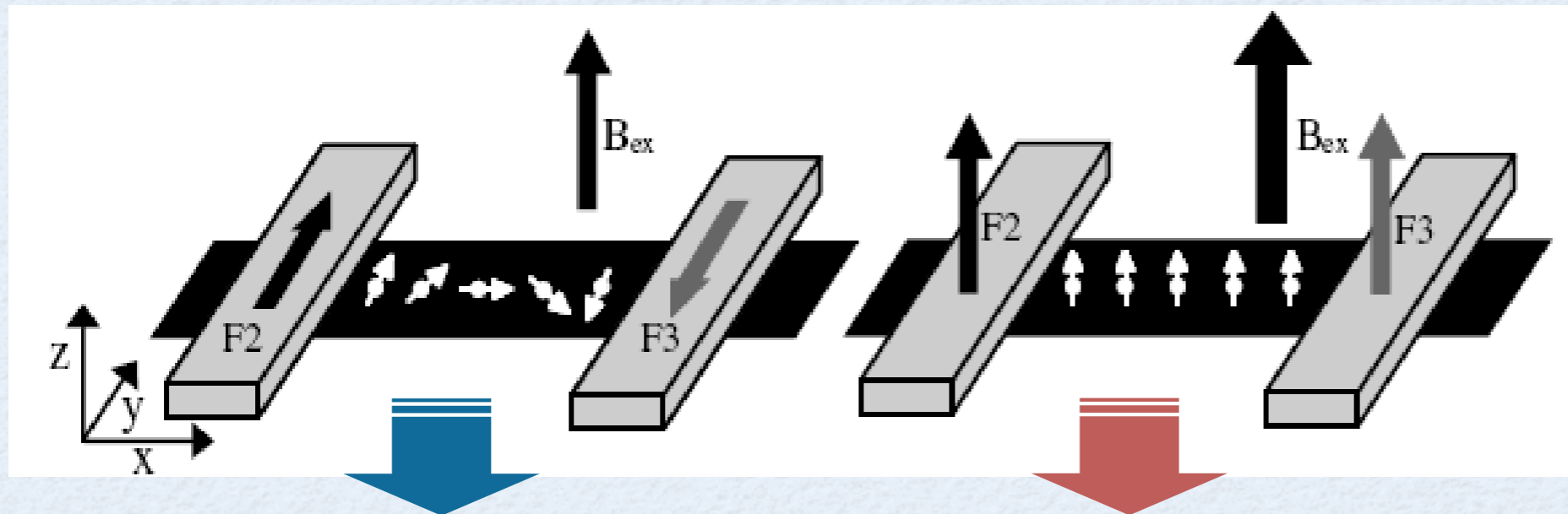


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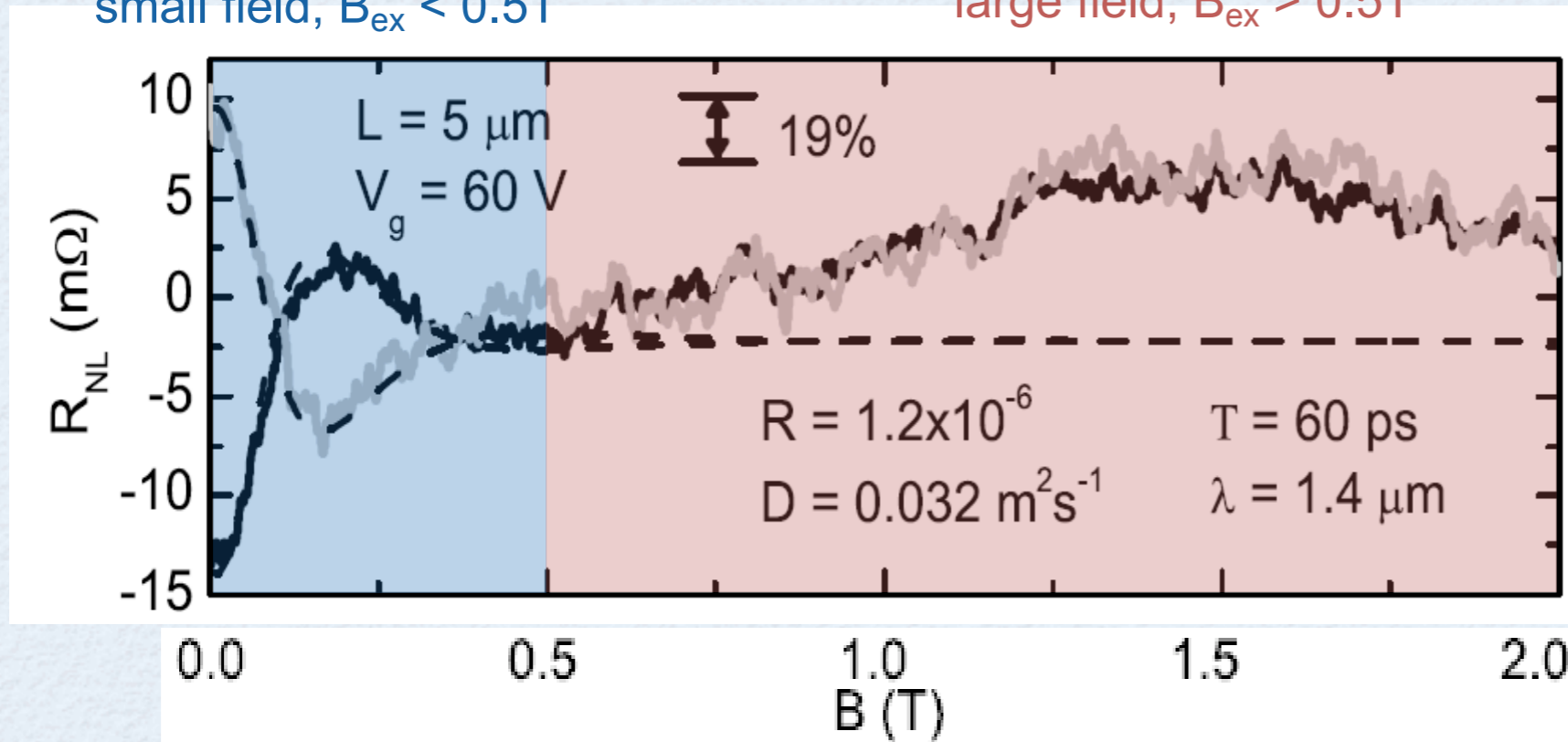


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$$\tau_{\perp} \approx 0.8 \tau_{\parallel}$$

small field,  $B_{ex} < 0.5T$

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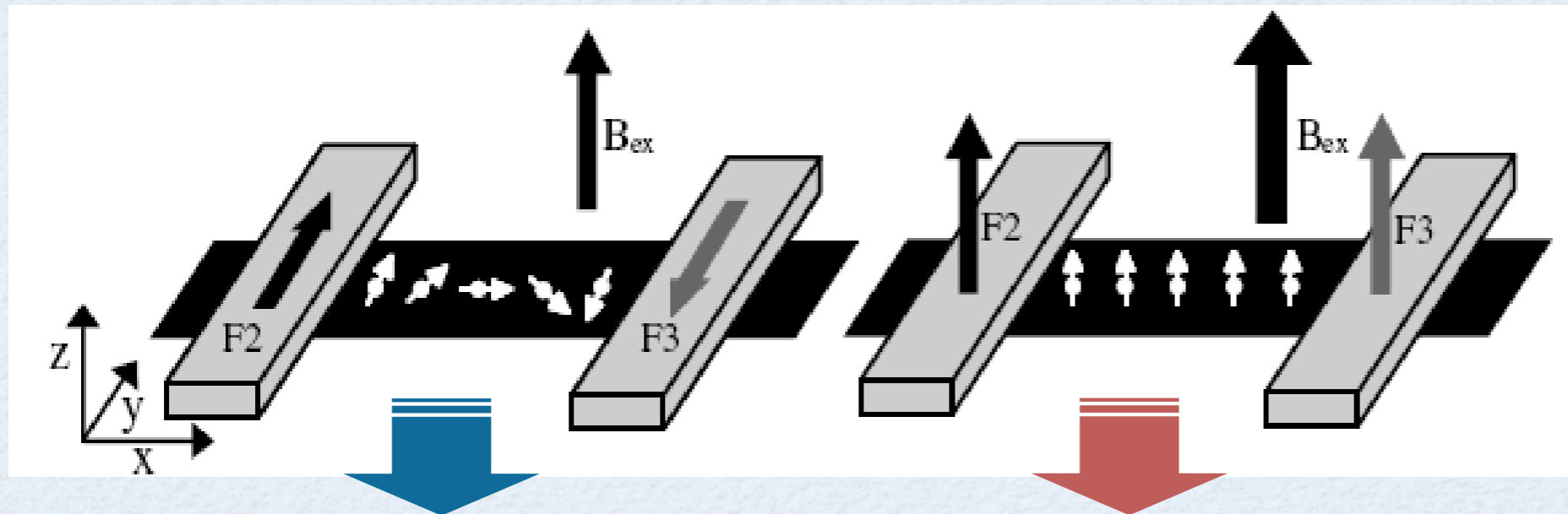


SO fields:  
predominantly  
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Again:  
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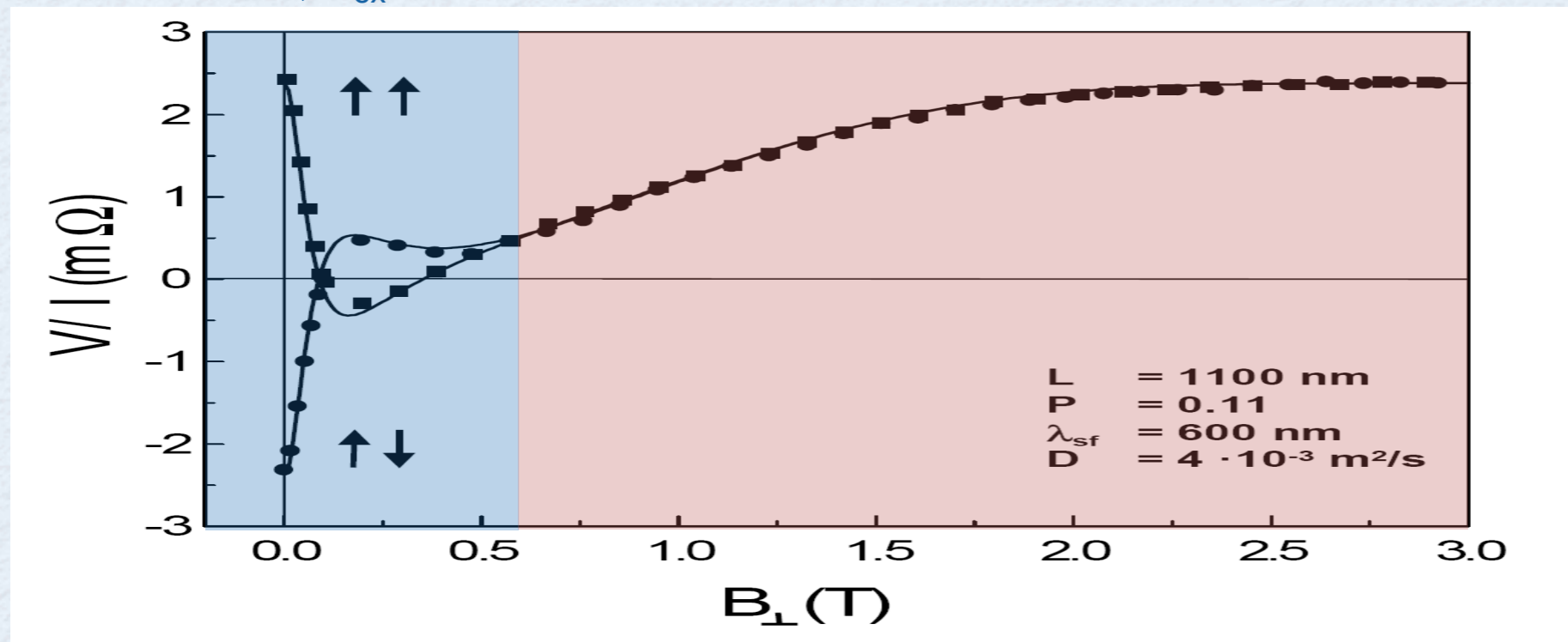
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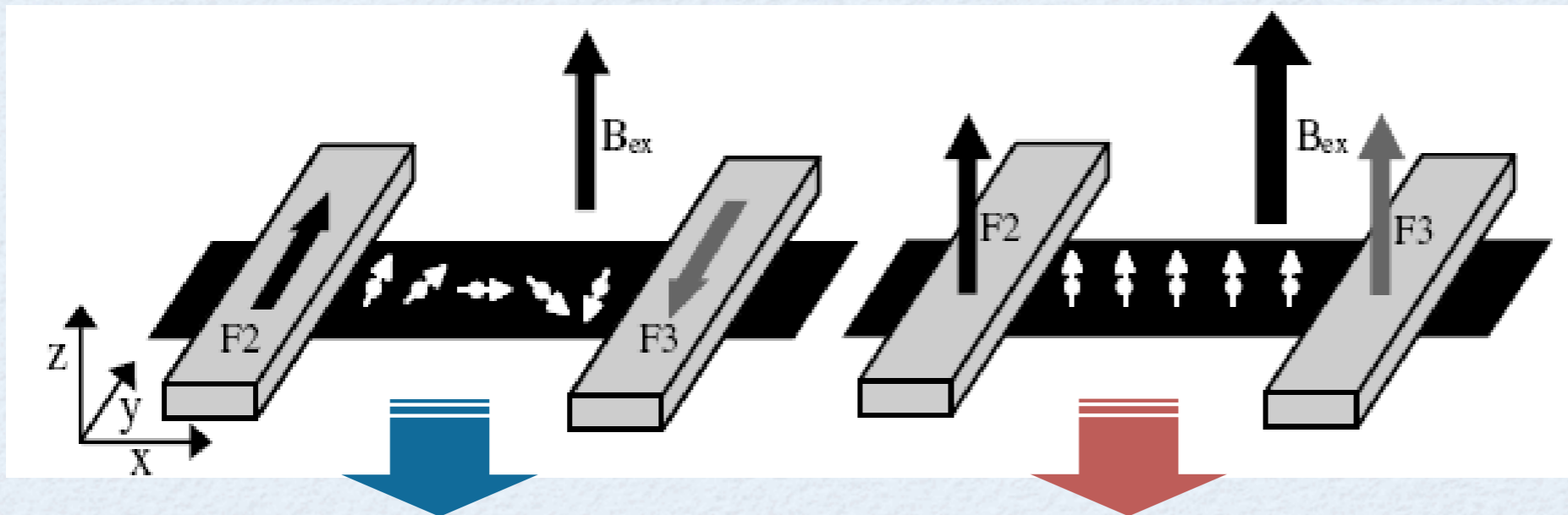
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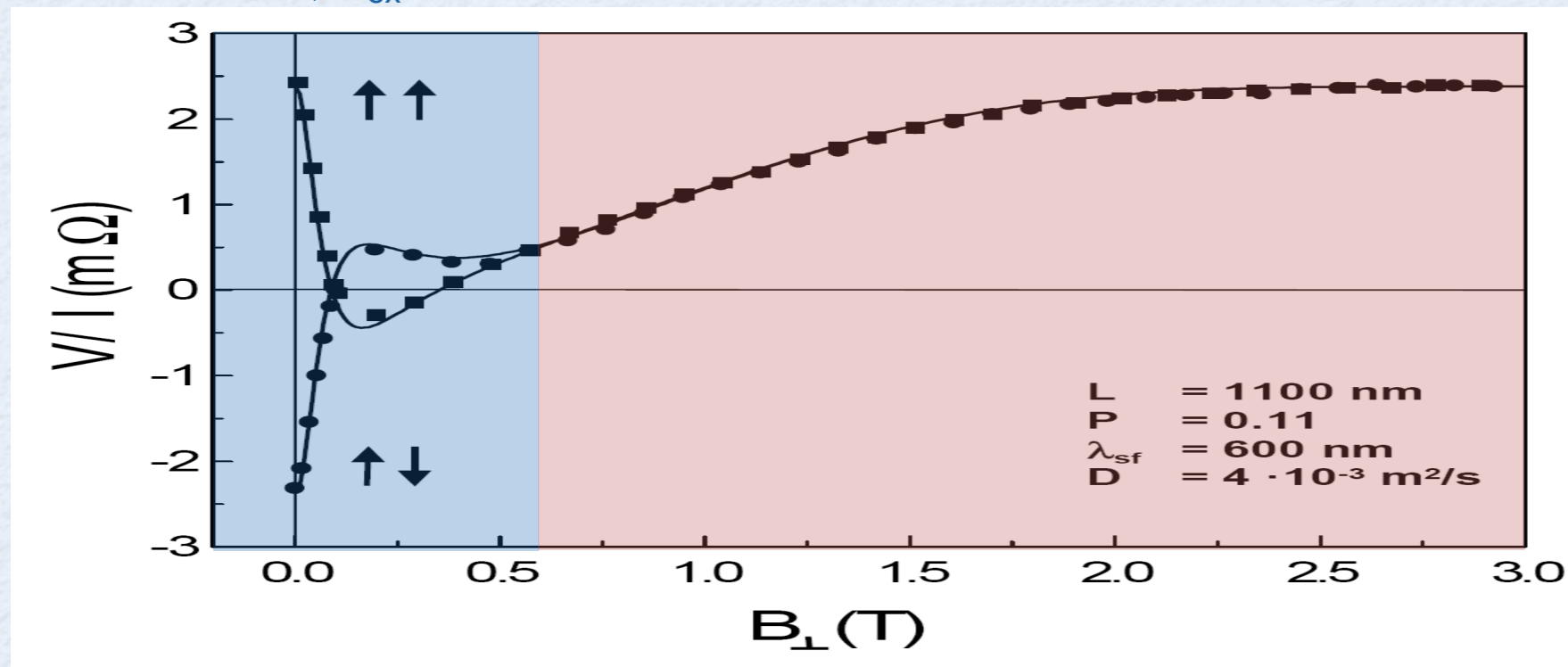
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Jedema et al.,  
Nature (2002)

spin relaxation  
is isotropic in  
Al films!

# CARRIER DRIFT TO CONTROL SPIN TRANSPORT

Spin drift effects in n-GaAs: X. Lou et al.,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 176603 (2006)

# DRIFT-DIFFUSION UNDER AN $E$ FIELD?

- *Yu-Flatté for spin imbalance (degenerate SC):*

$$D \nabla^2 \vec{\mu} = \frac{\vec{\mu}}{\tau} - \vec{v}_D \nabla \vec{\mu}$$

*Z.G. Yu and M.E. Flatté,  
Phys. Rev. B **66**, R 201202 (2002)*

- *Solution along  $x$ :  $\mu(x) = A \exp\left(\frac{x}{\lambda_+}\right) + B \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\lambda_-}\right)$*

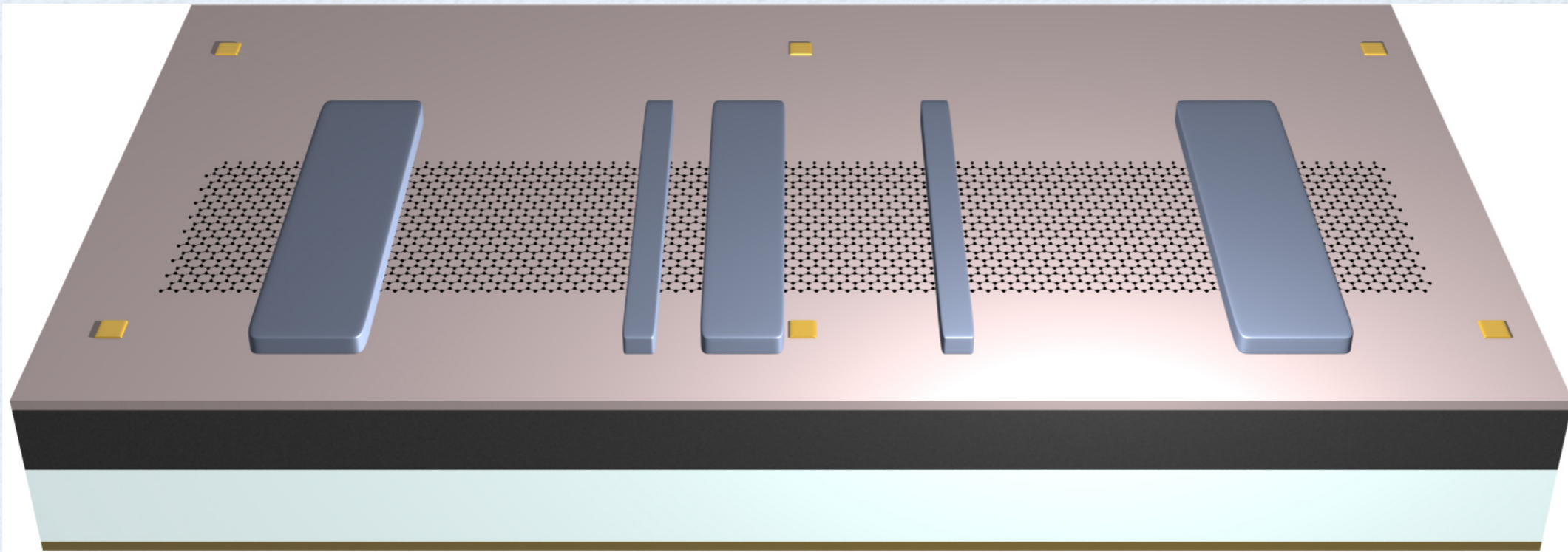
*where  $\frac{1}{\lambda_{\pm}} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\lambda_D} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\lambda_D^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_s^2}}$  = up / downstream spin transport length;*

$\lambda_s = \sqrt{D\tau}$  = spin diffusion length, **symmetric in  $x$**

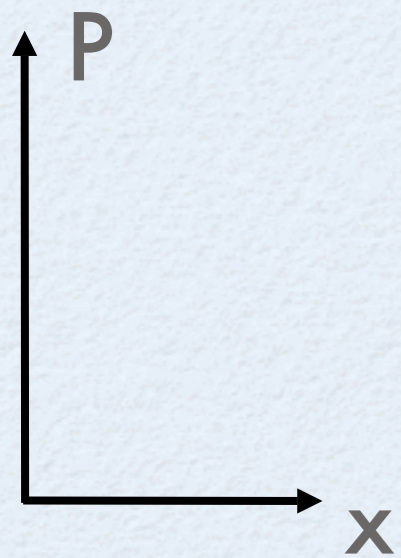
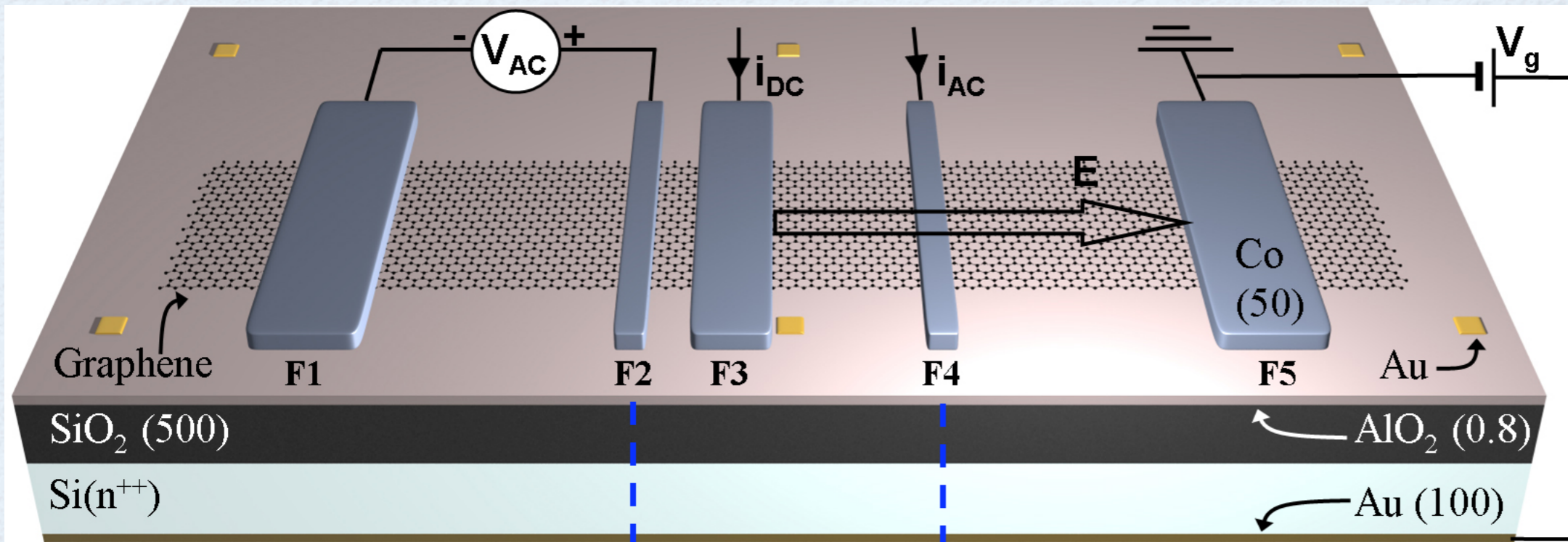
$\lambda_D = \frac{D}{v_D}$  = “spin drift length”, **asymmetric due to  $v_D = \mu E$**



# DRIFT GEOMETRY

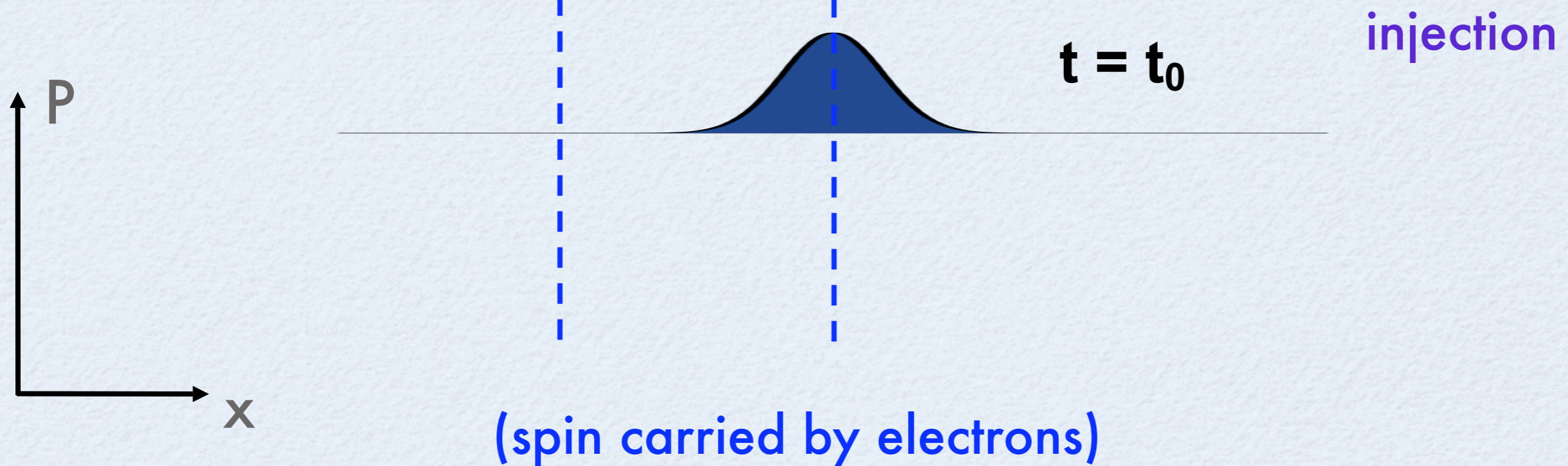
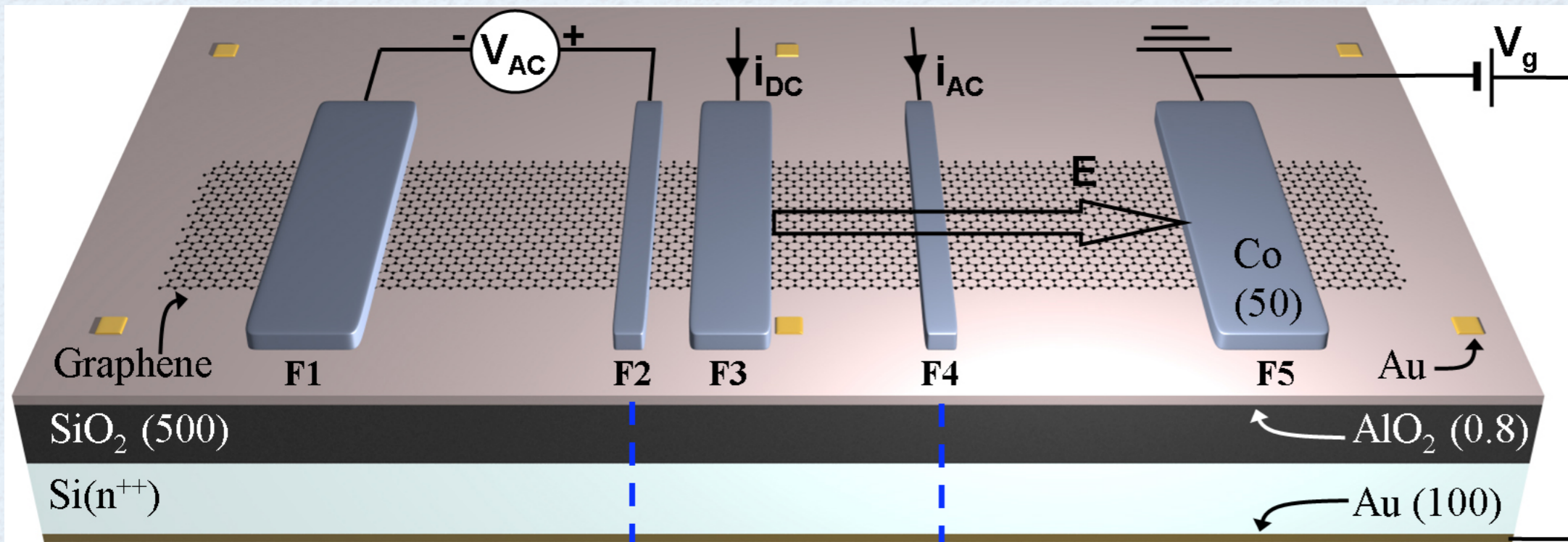


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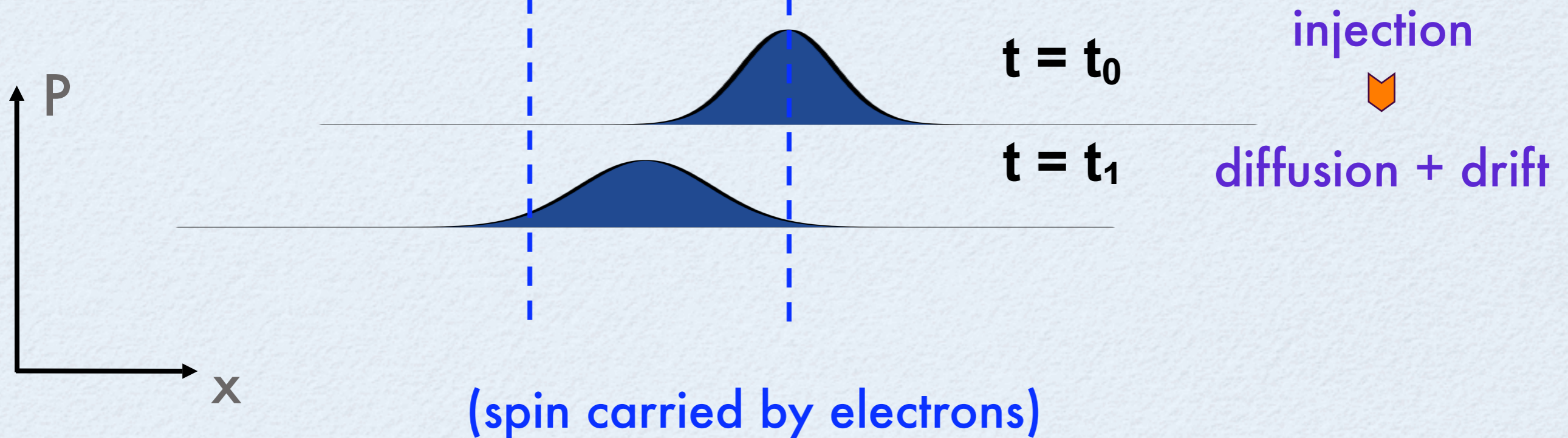
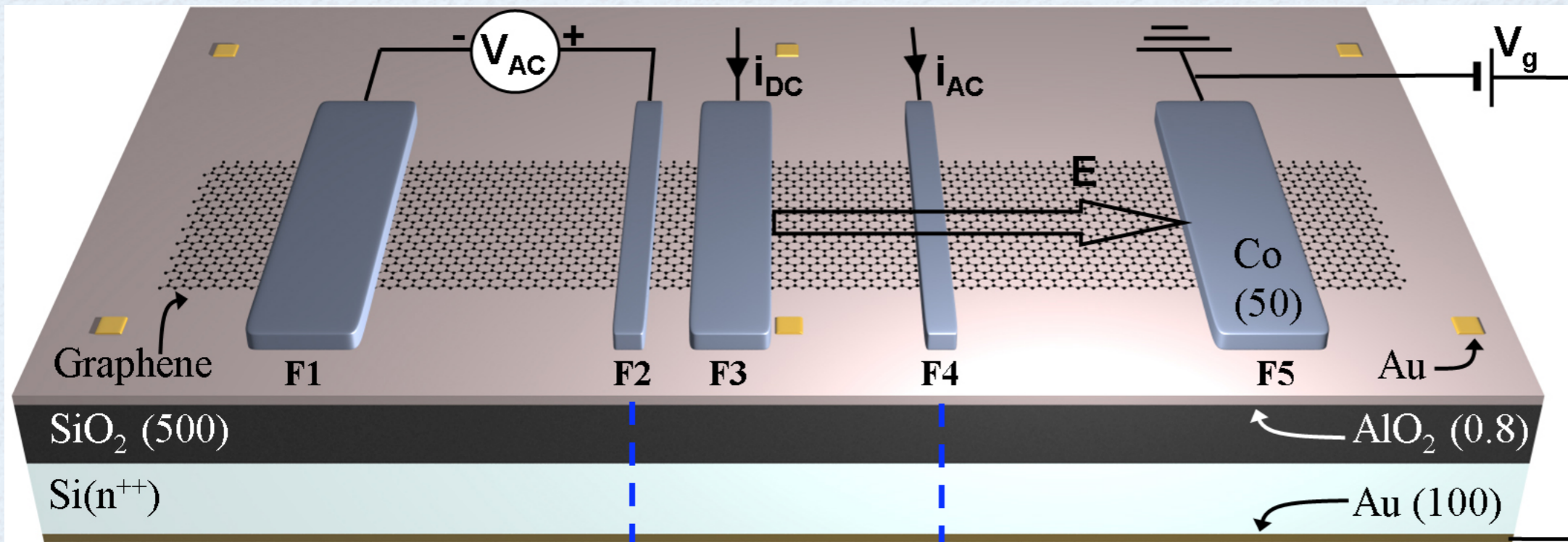


(spin carried by electrons)

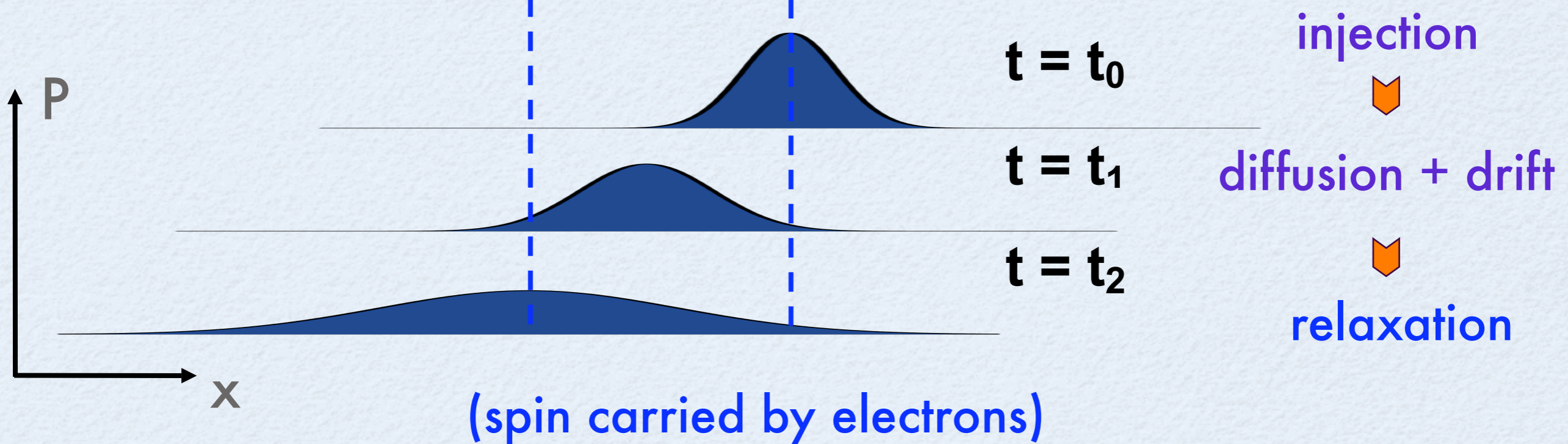
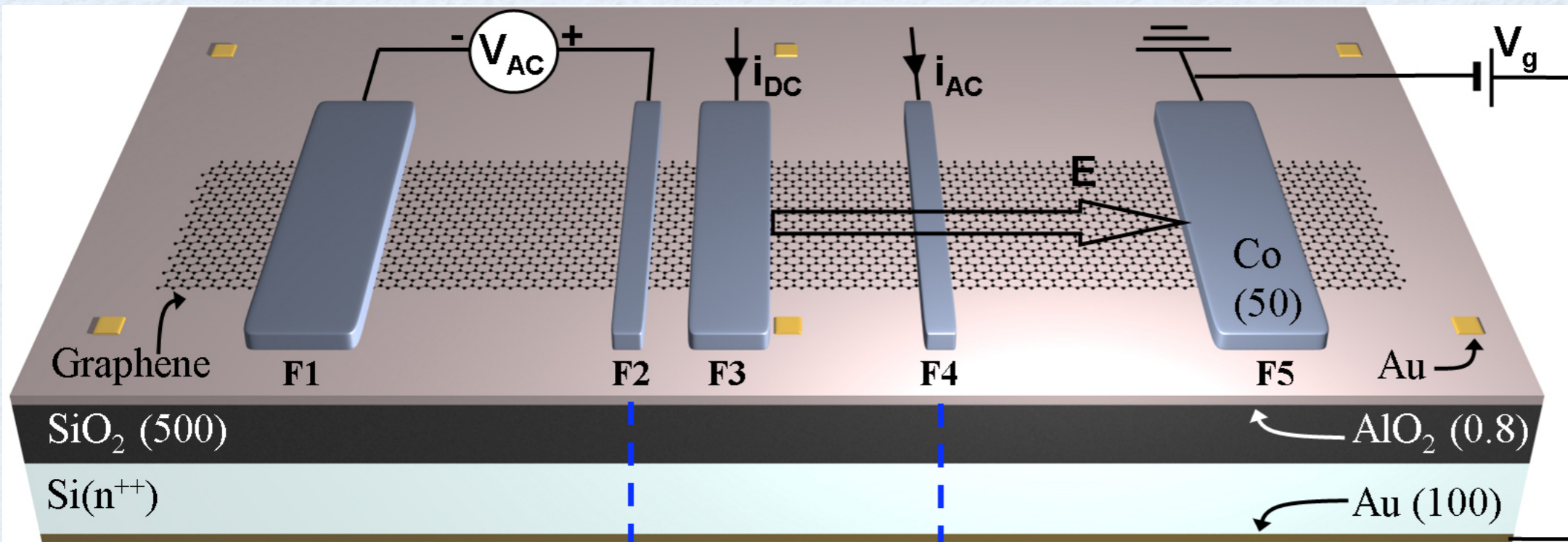
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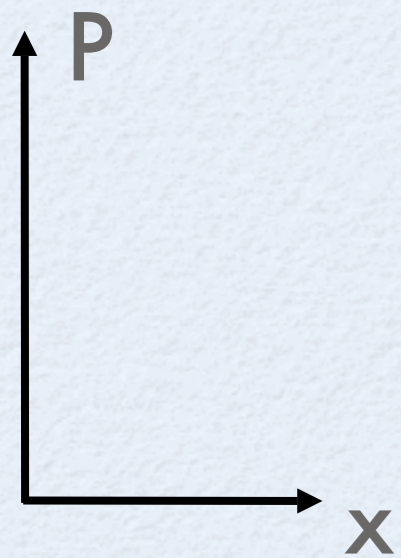
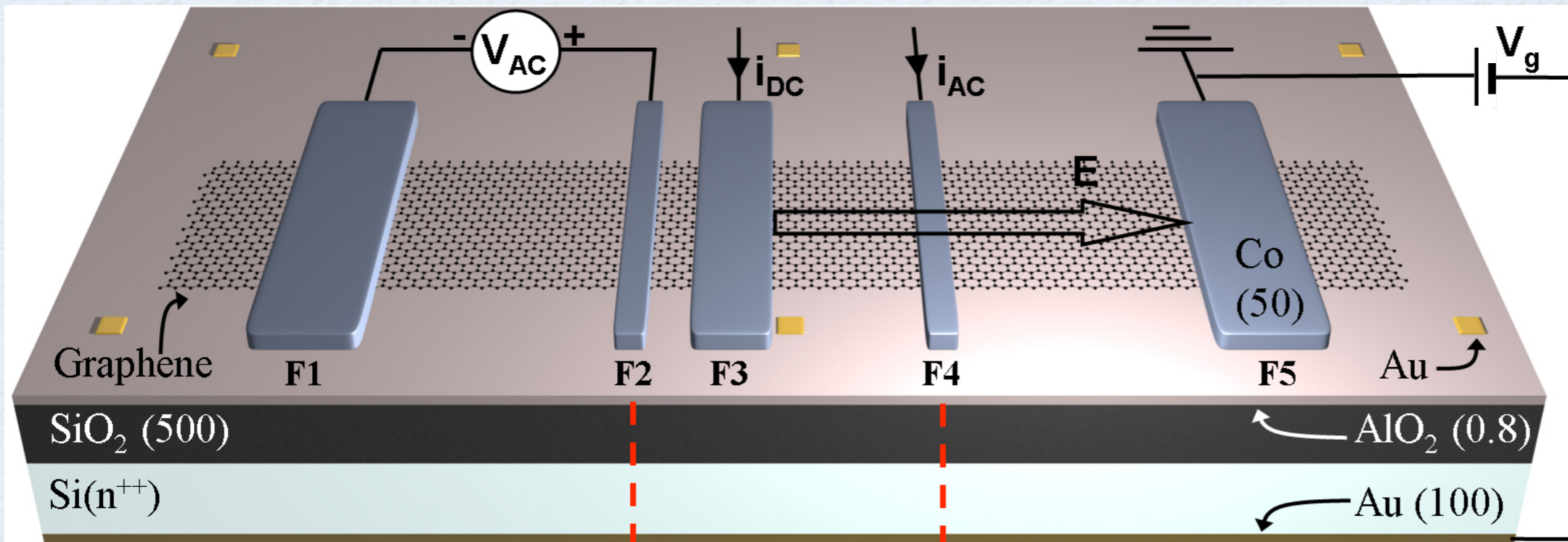
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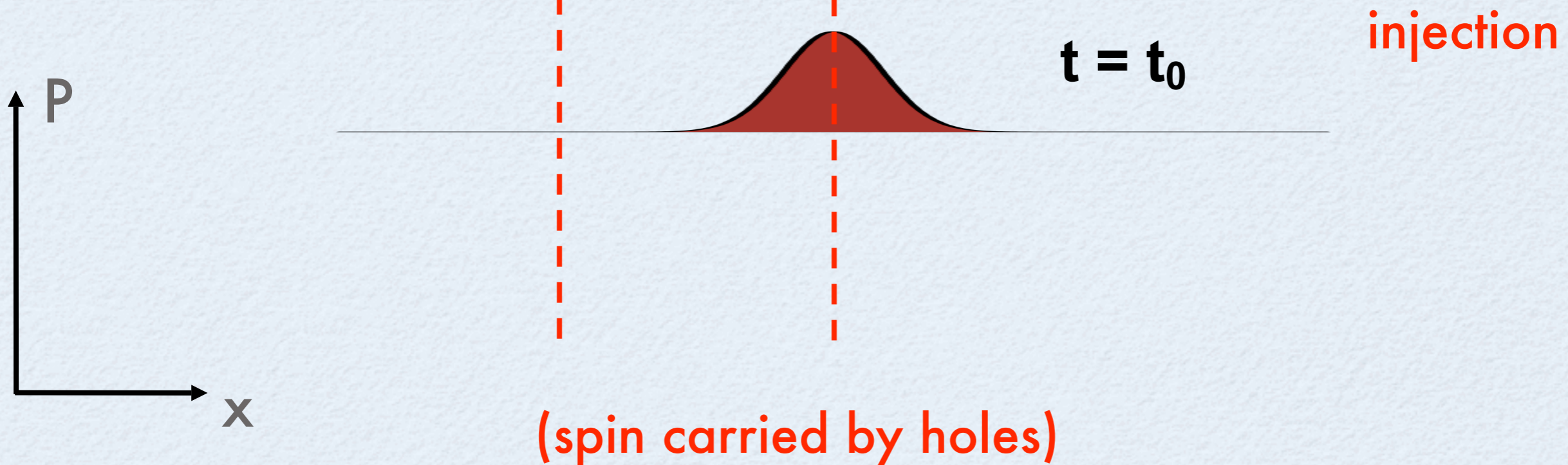
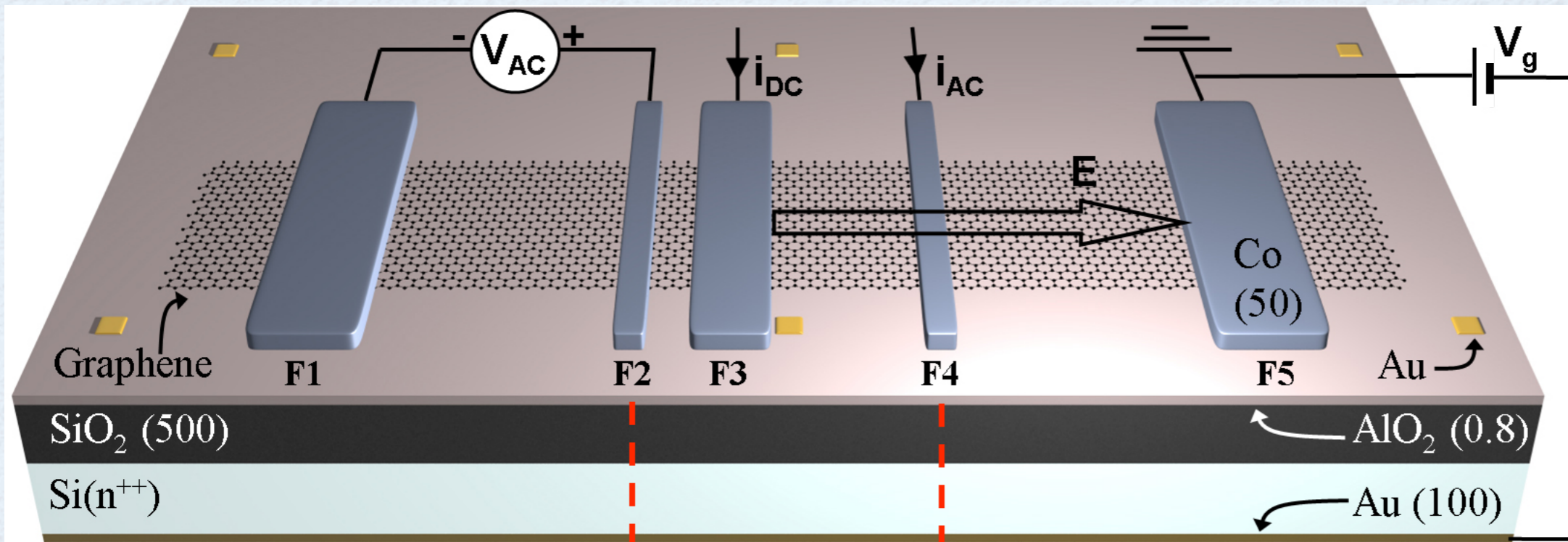


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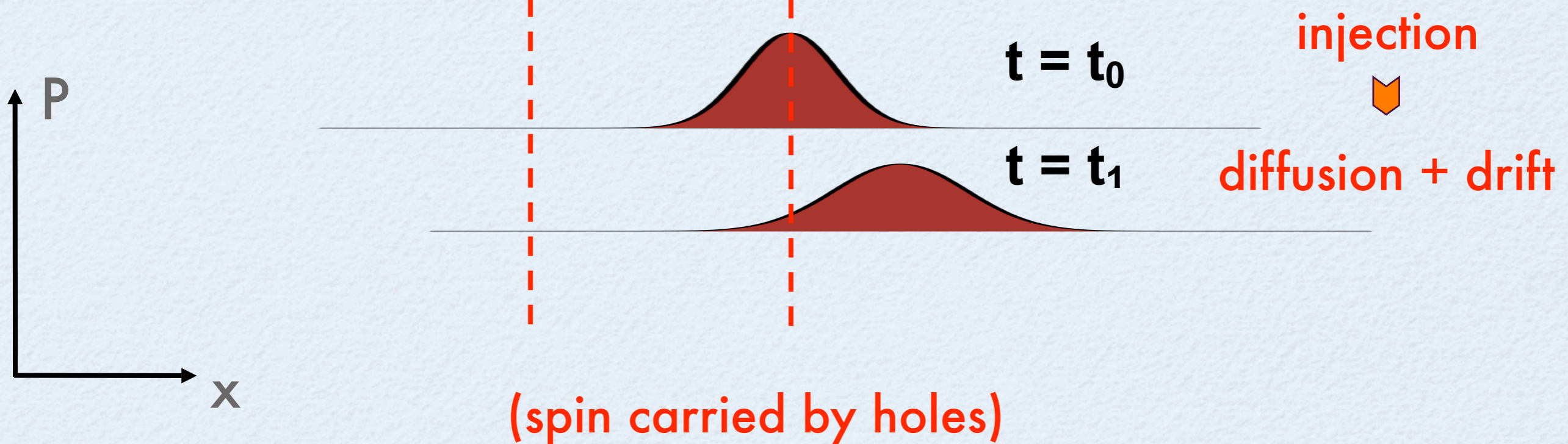
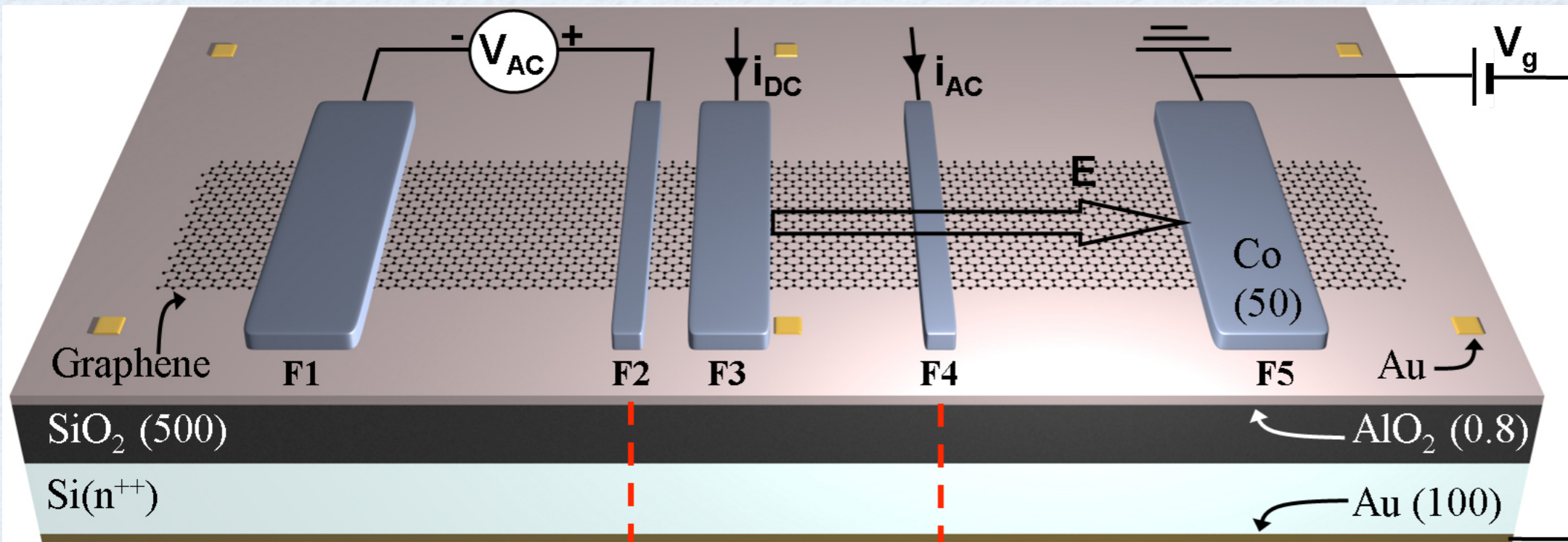


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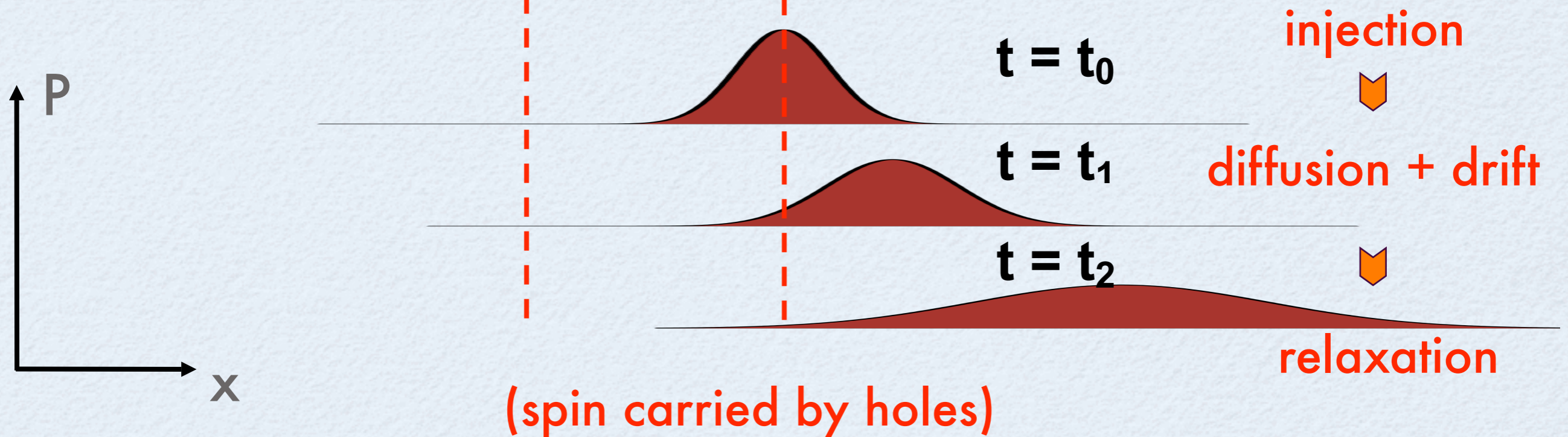
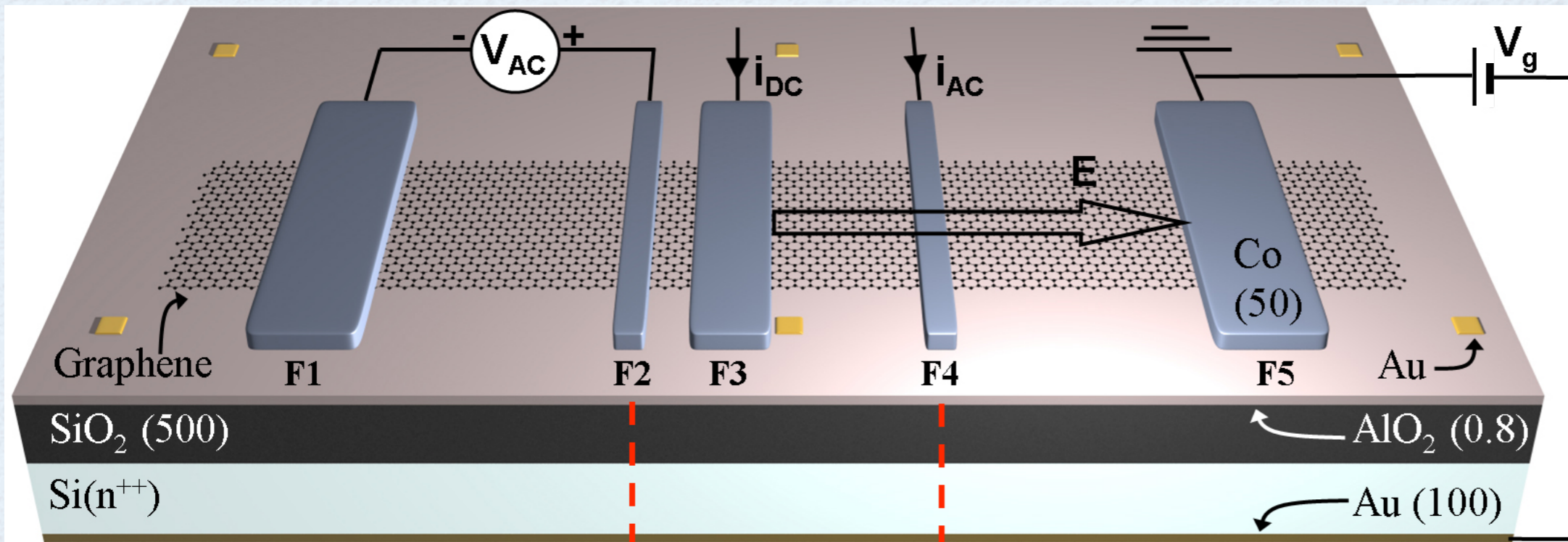
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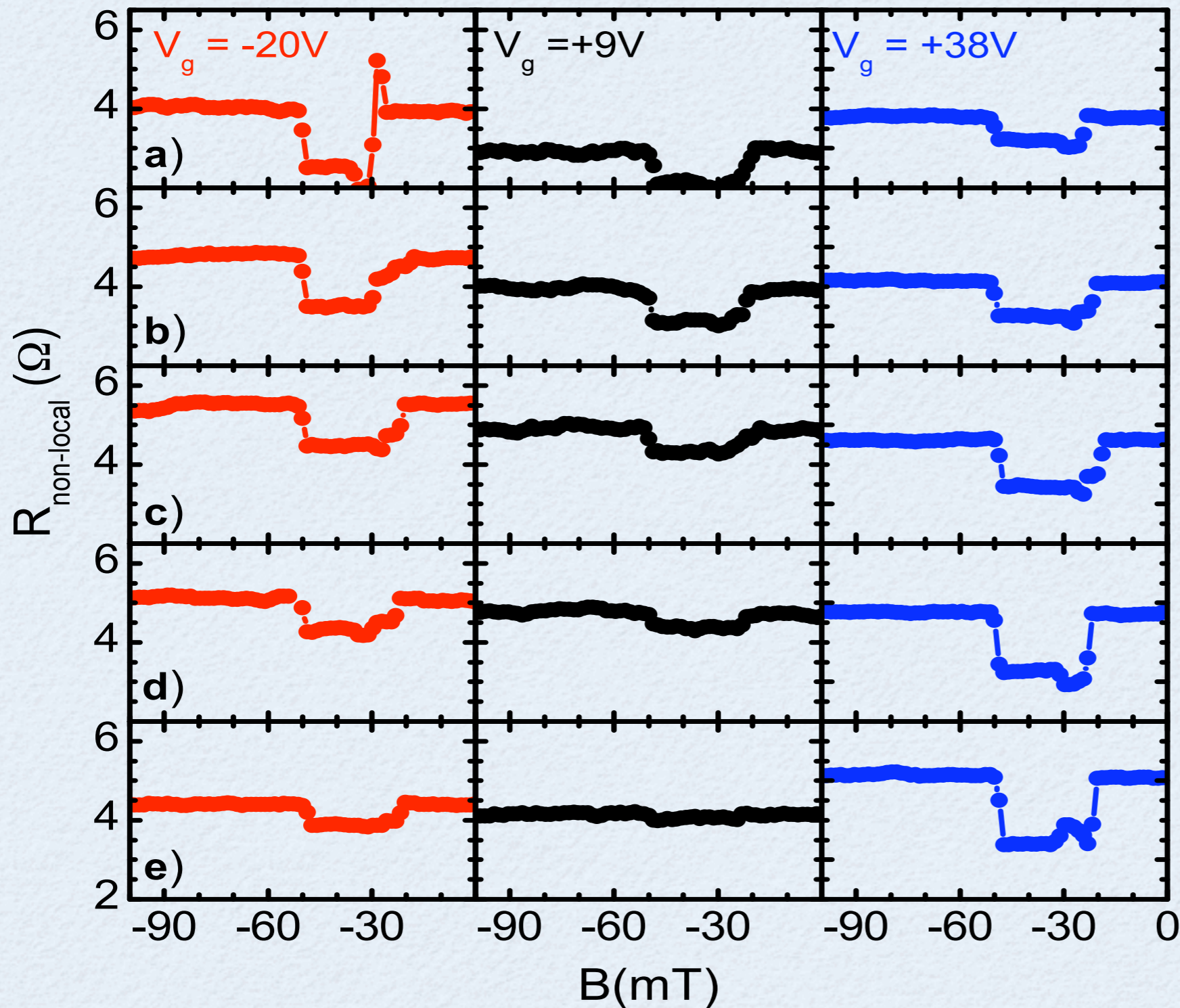
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# SPIN DRIFT MEASUREMENTS\*



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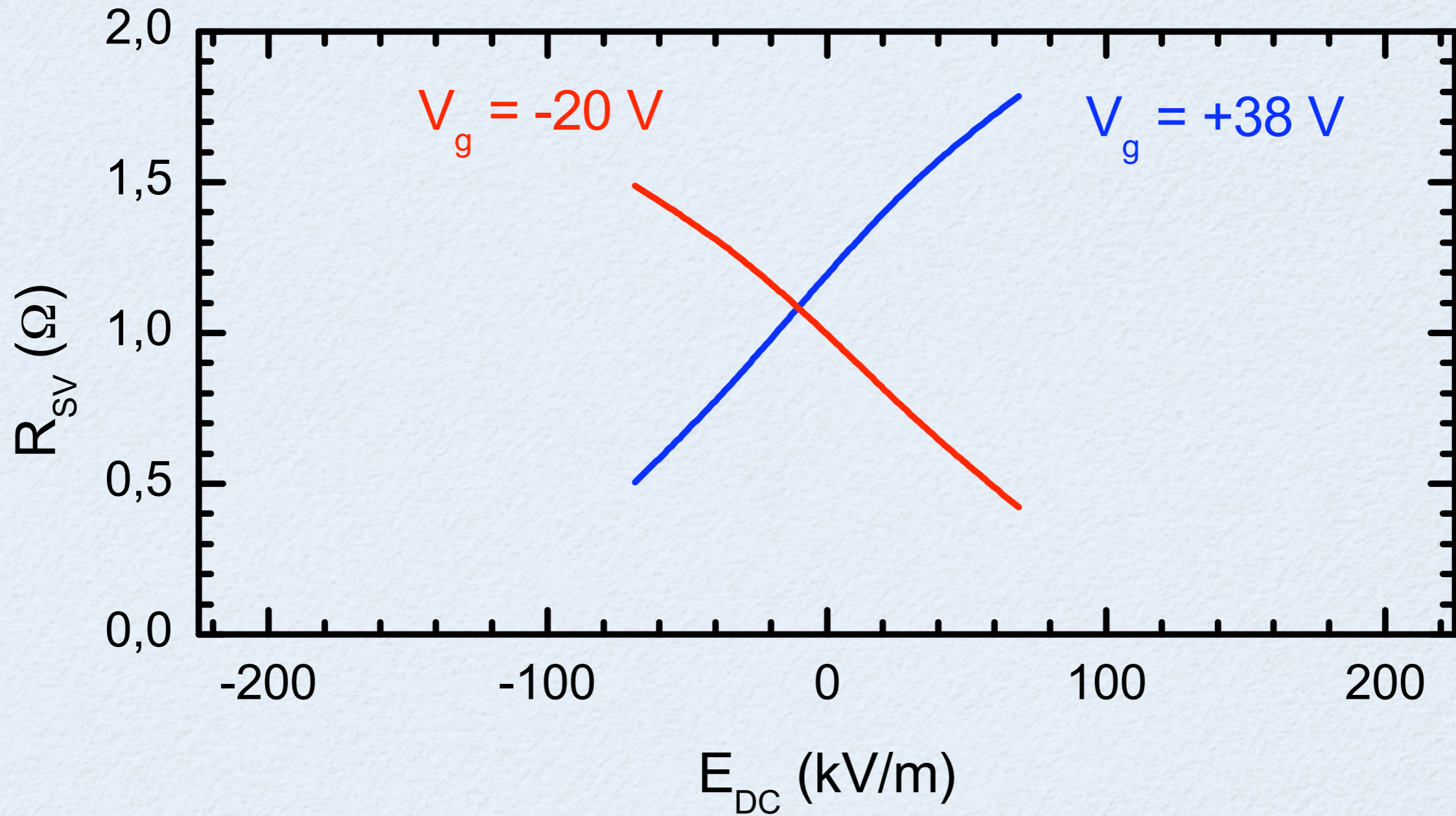
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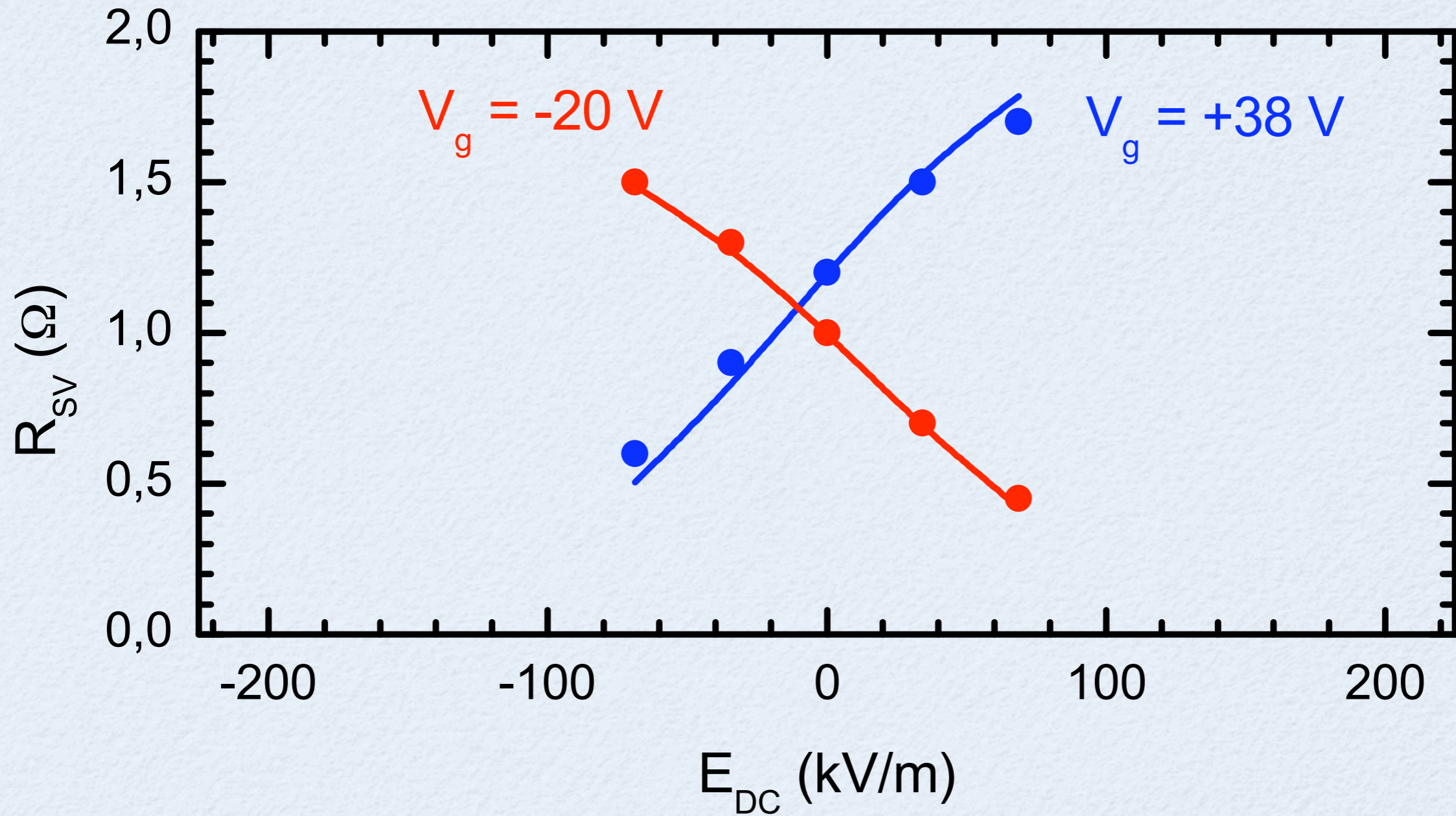
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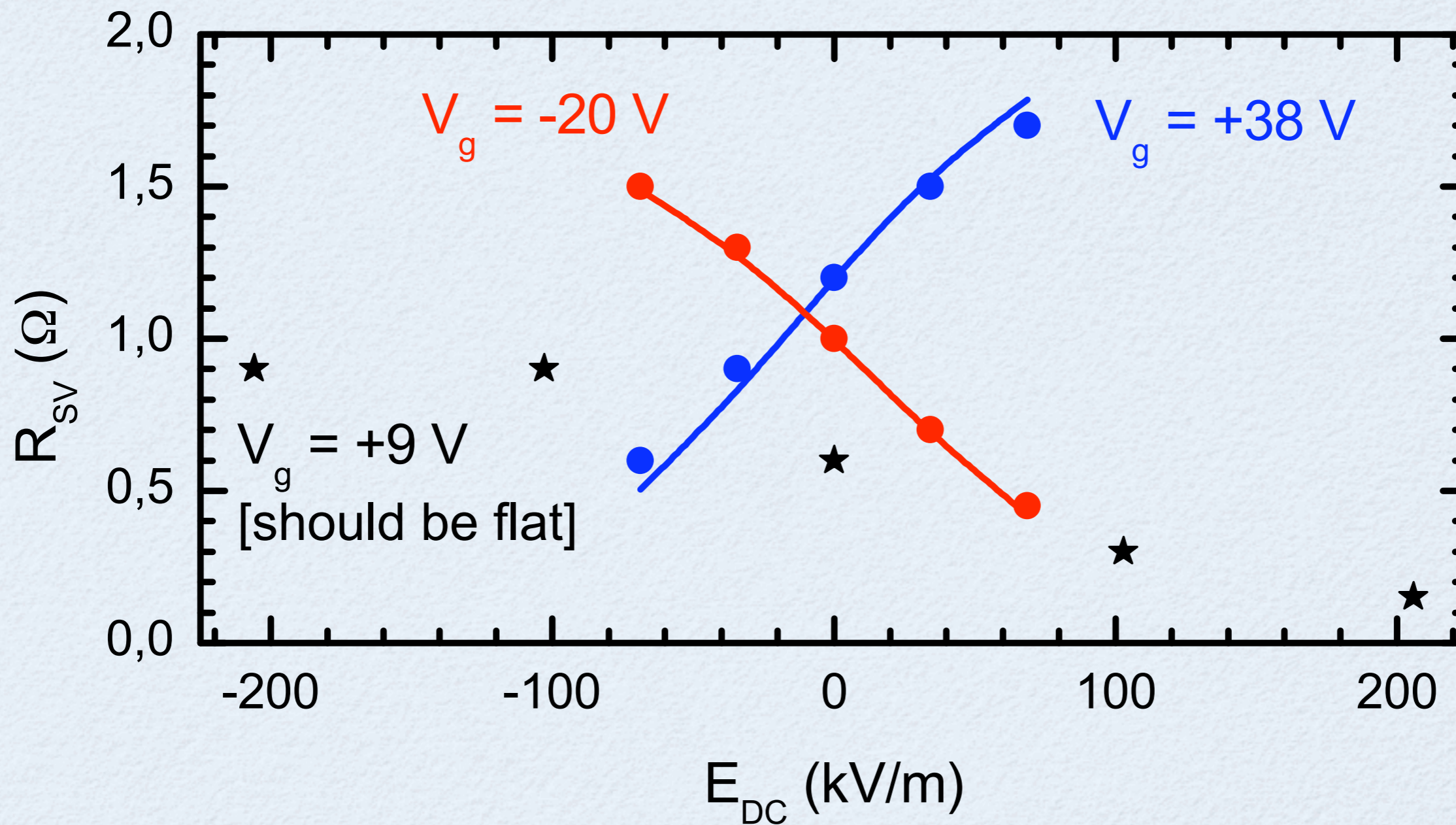
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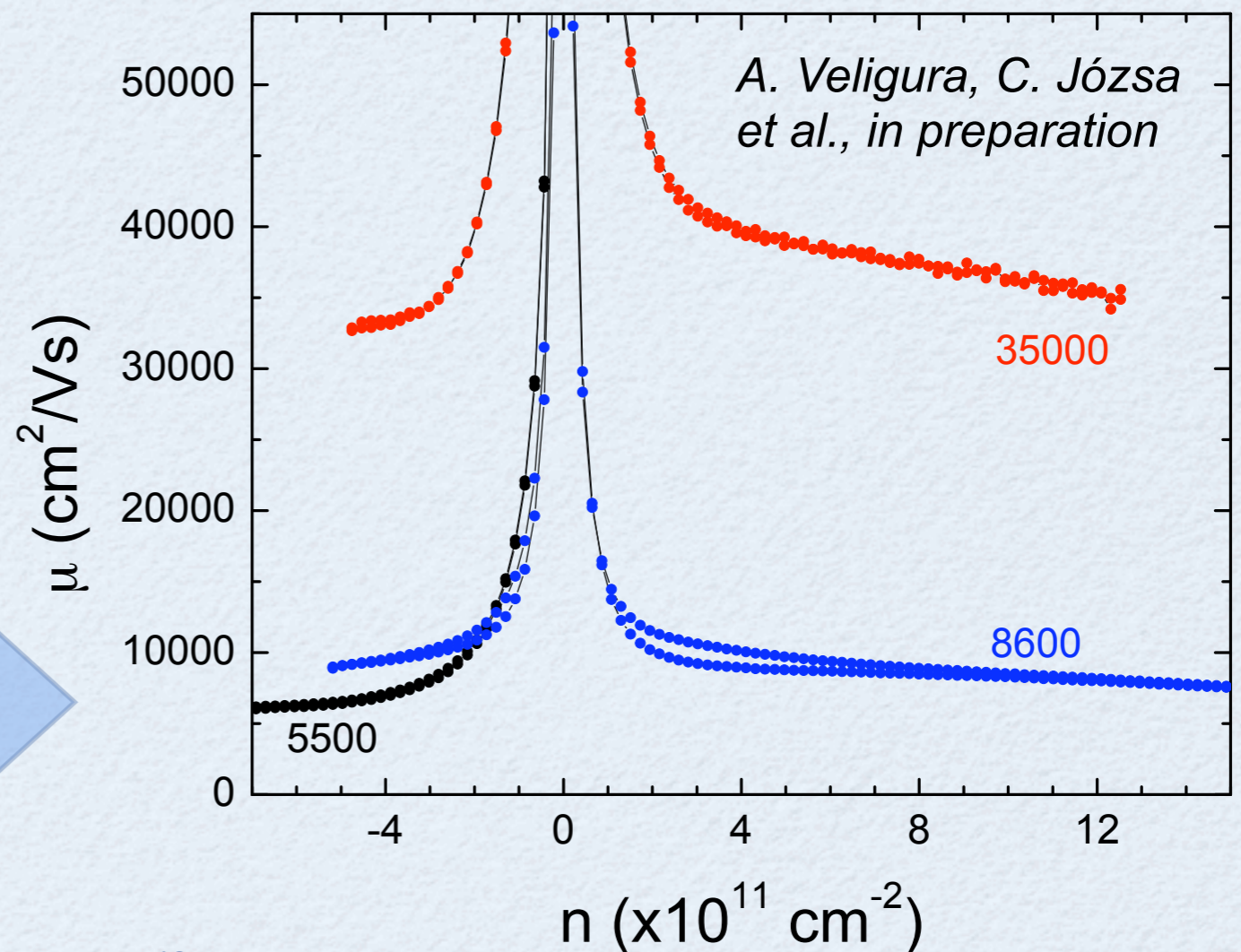
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heat treatment:  
 $150^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $10^{-5}$  mbar

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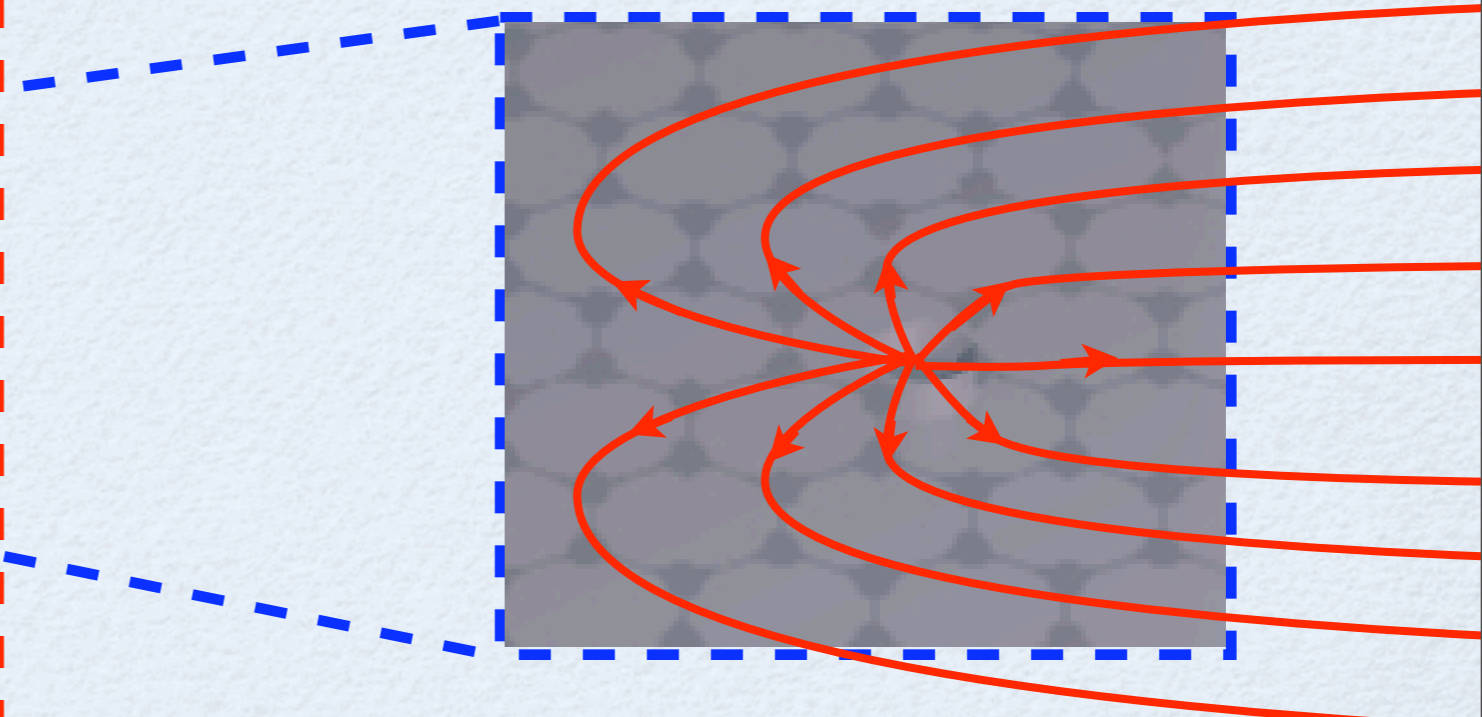
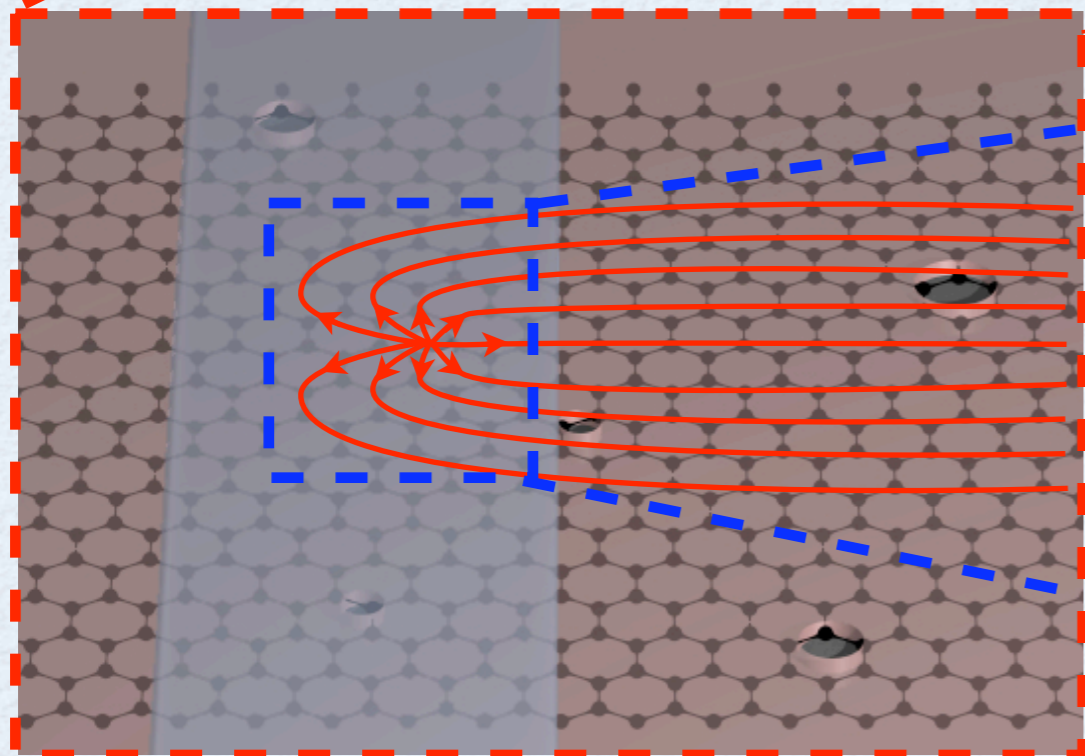
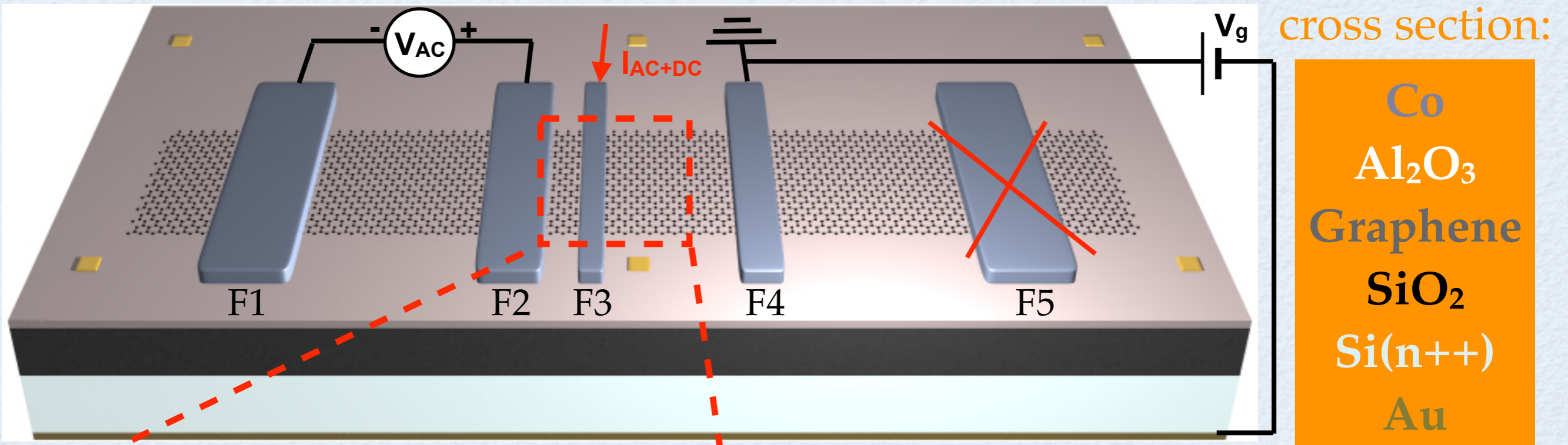




# HOW TO COMBAT THE IMPEDANCE MISMATCH?

DC biasing effects on spin detection in Fe/GaAs junctions:  
S.A. Crooker *et al.*, arXiv: 0809.1120v1 (2008)

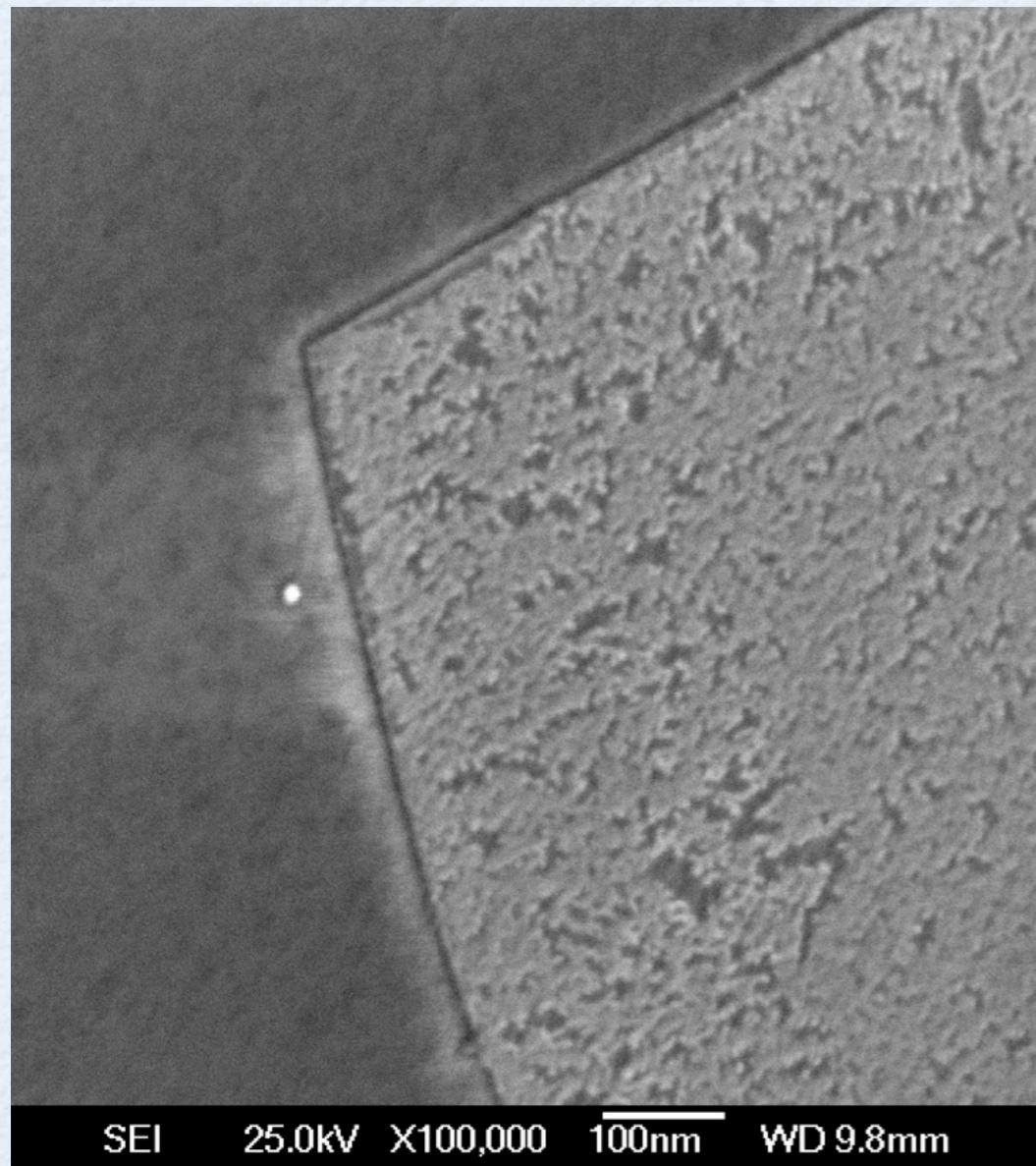
# DC BIAS ON AC SPIN INJECTORS



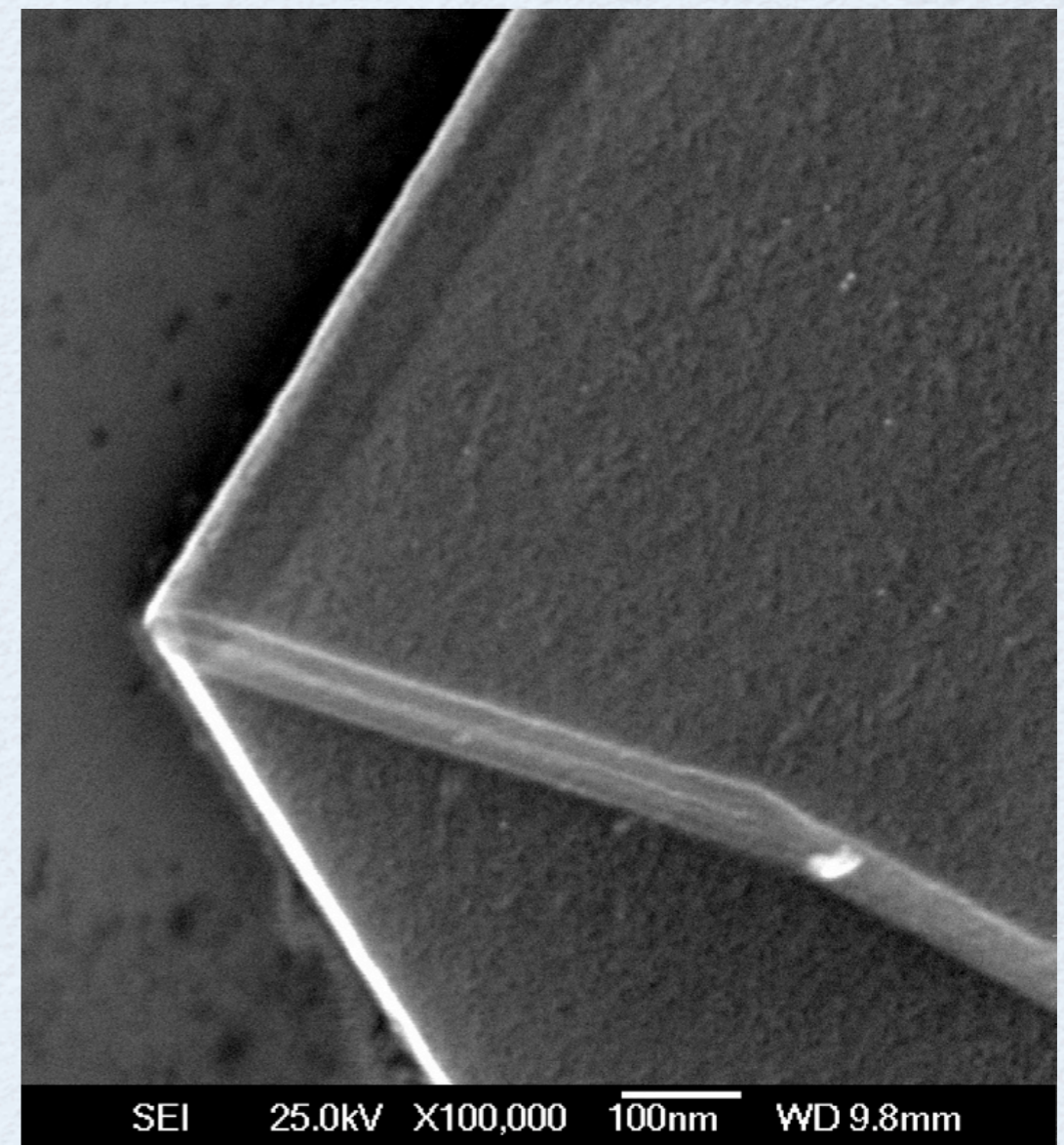
# A VERY "BAD" BARRIER

*SEM images:*

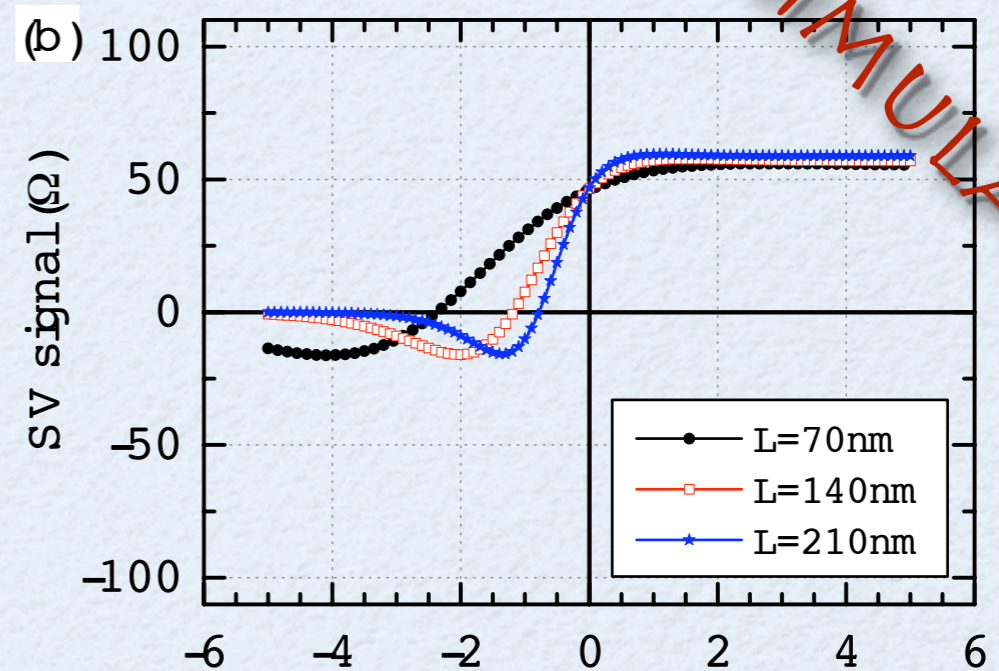
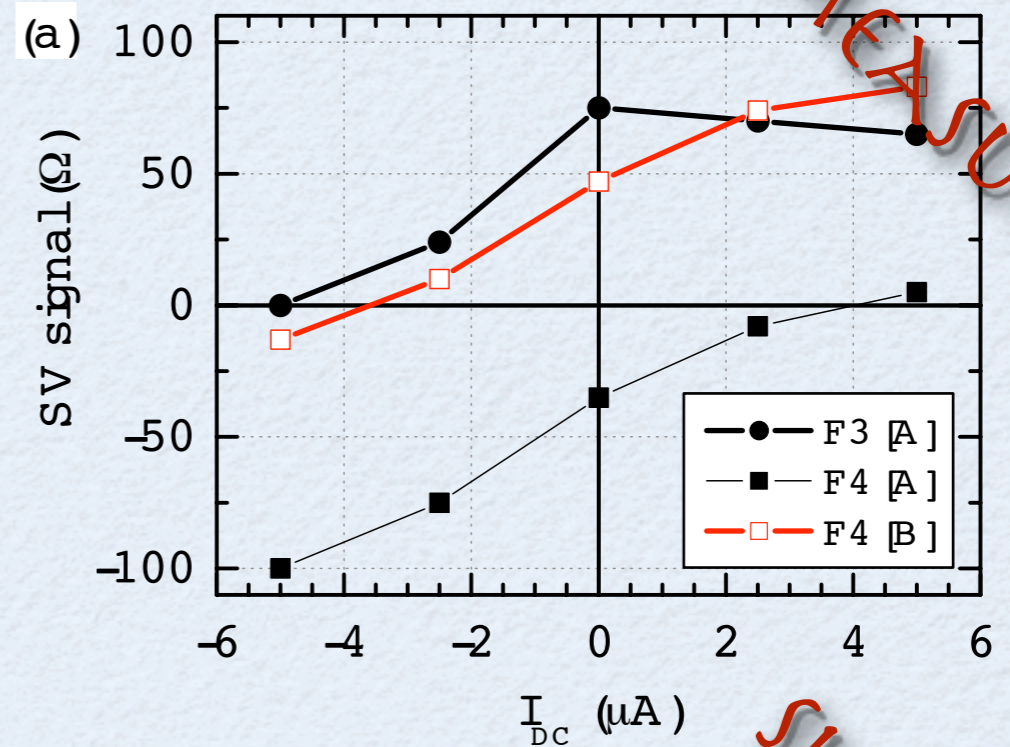
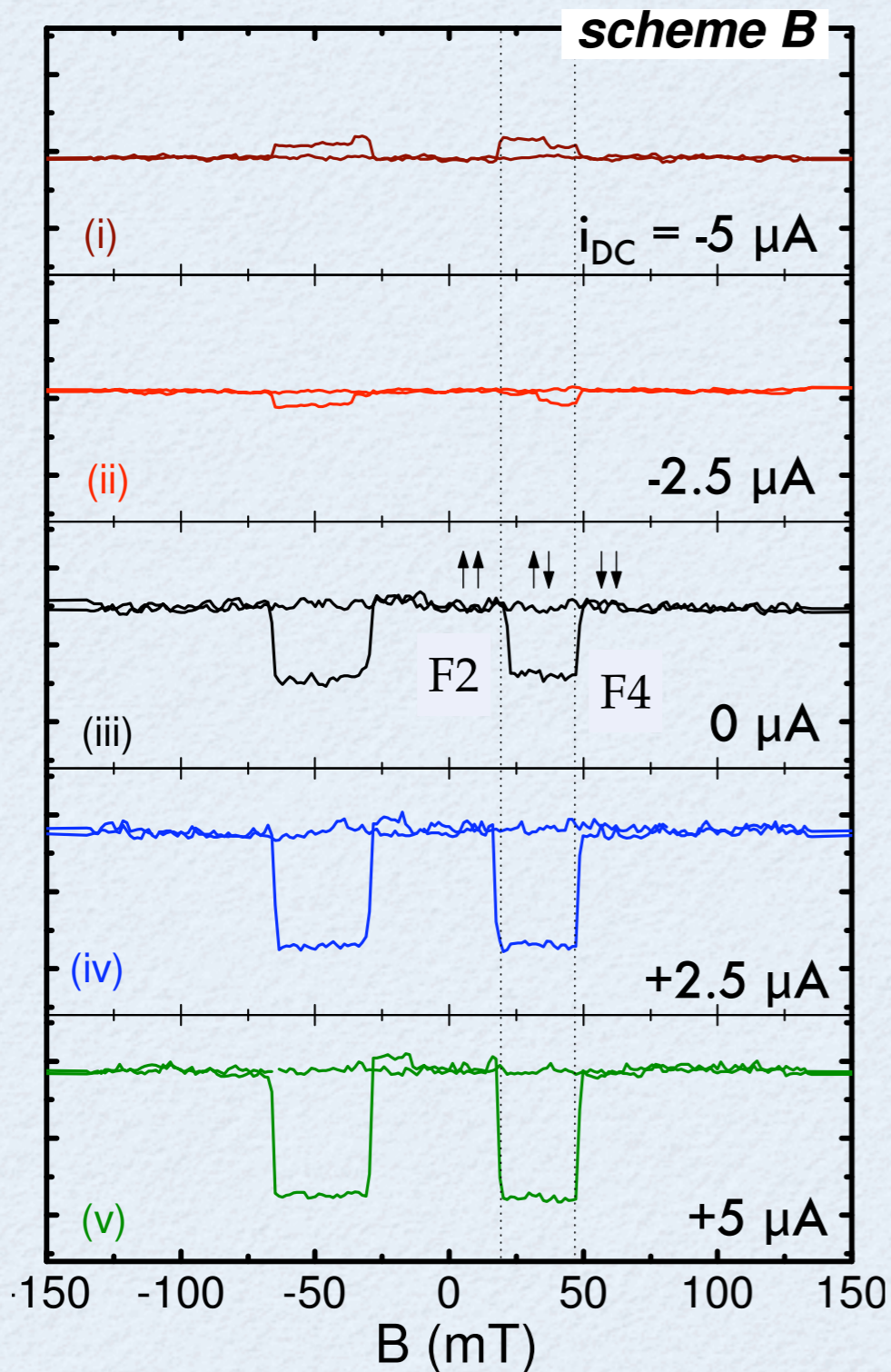
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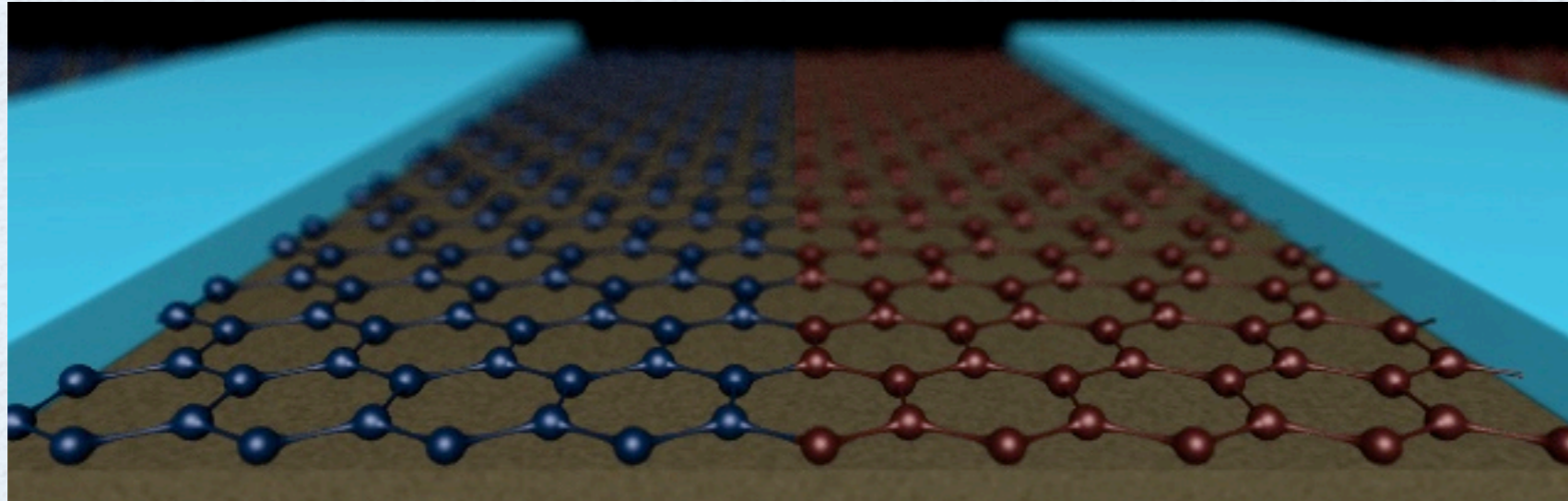
# SPIN VALVE & DC BIAS - MEASUREMENTS\*



\*C. Józsa et al., PRB 79, 081402(R) (2009)

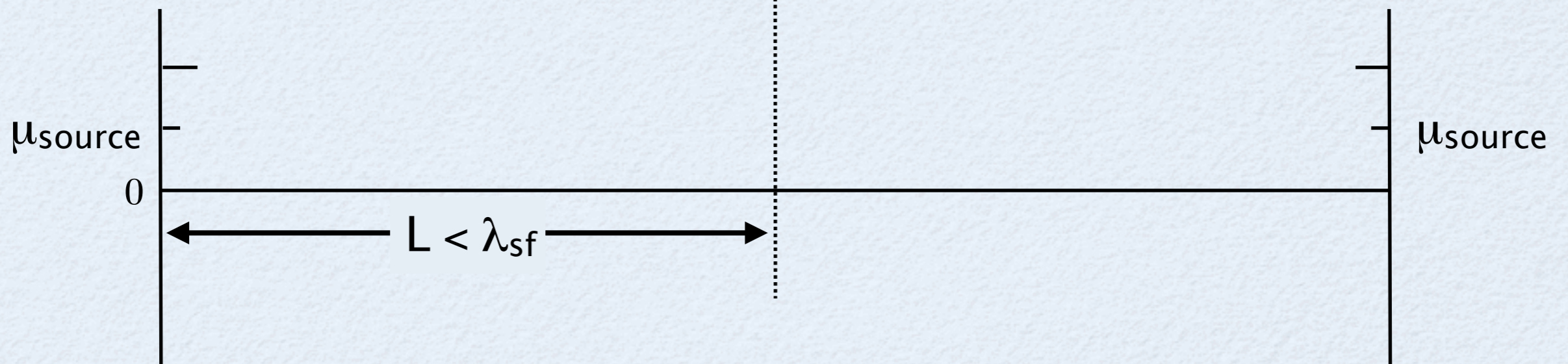
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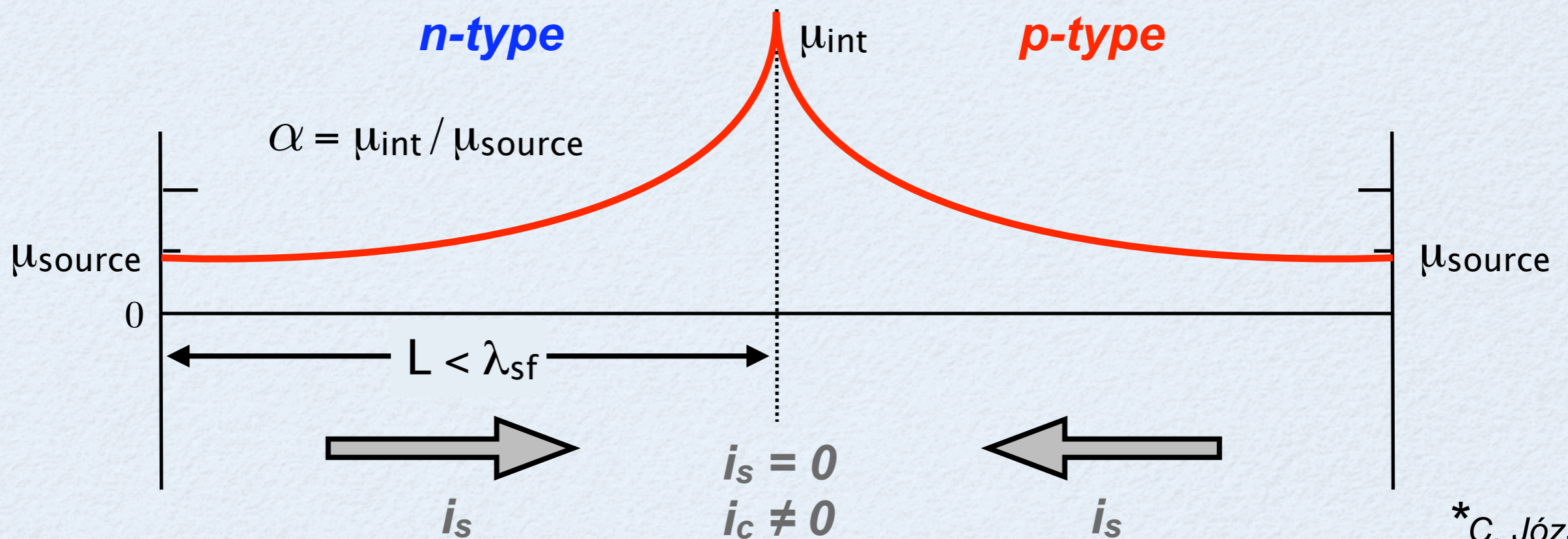
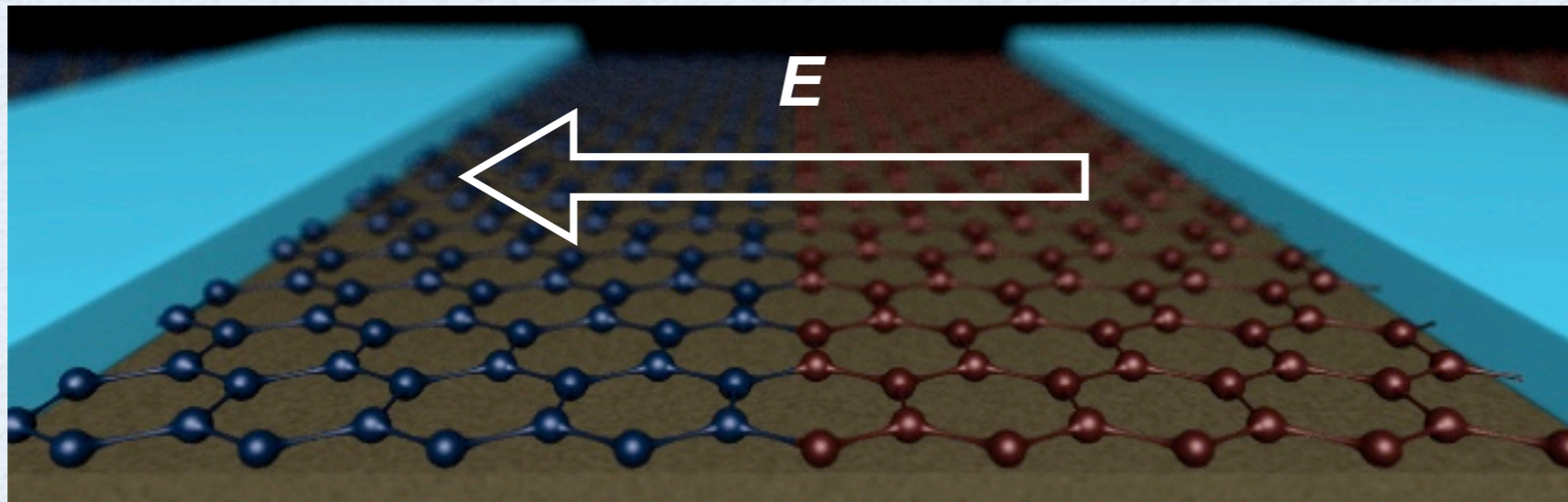
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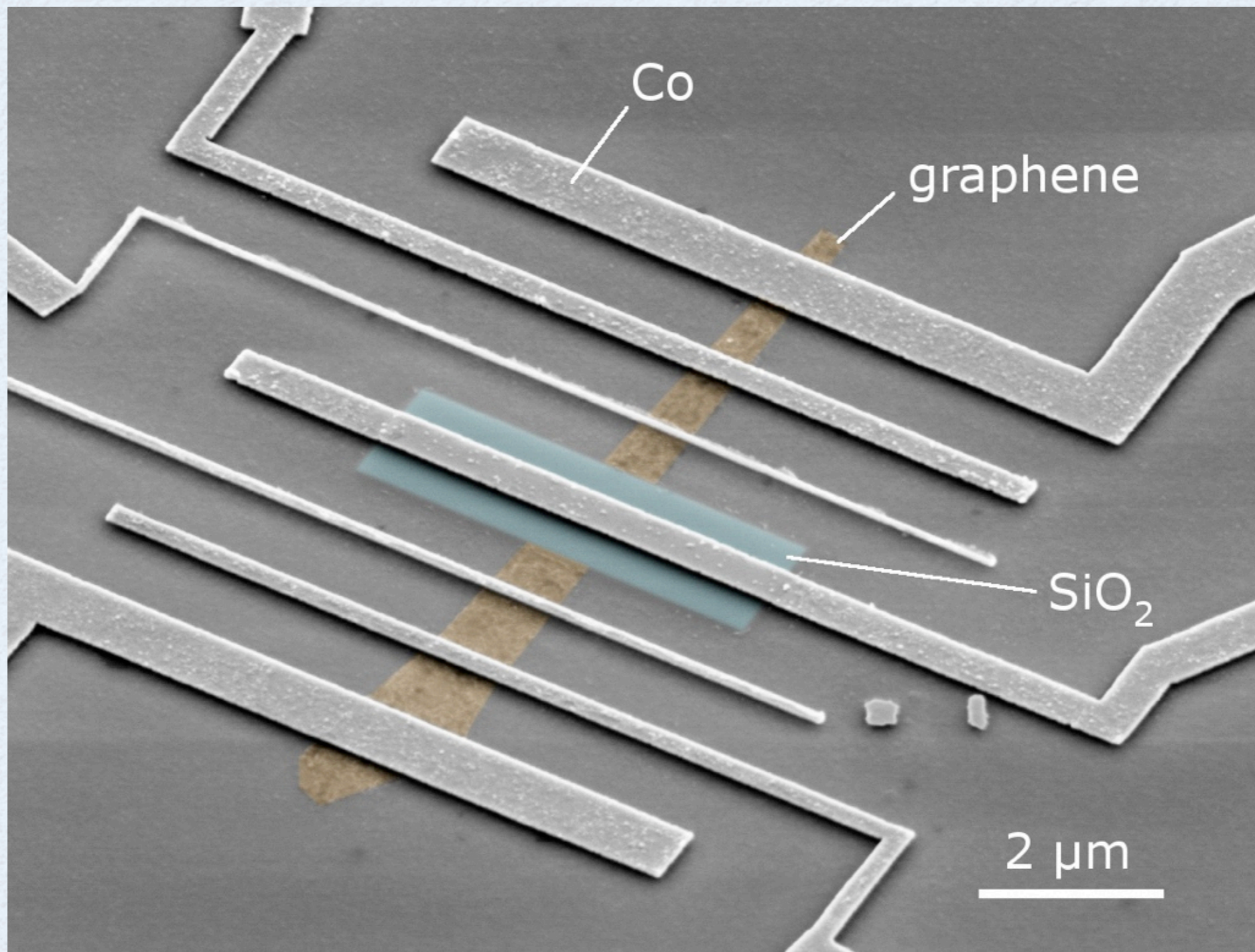
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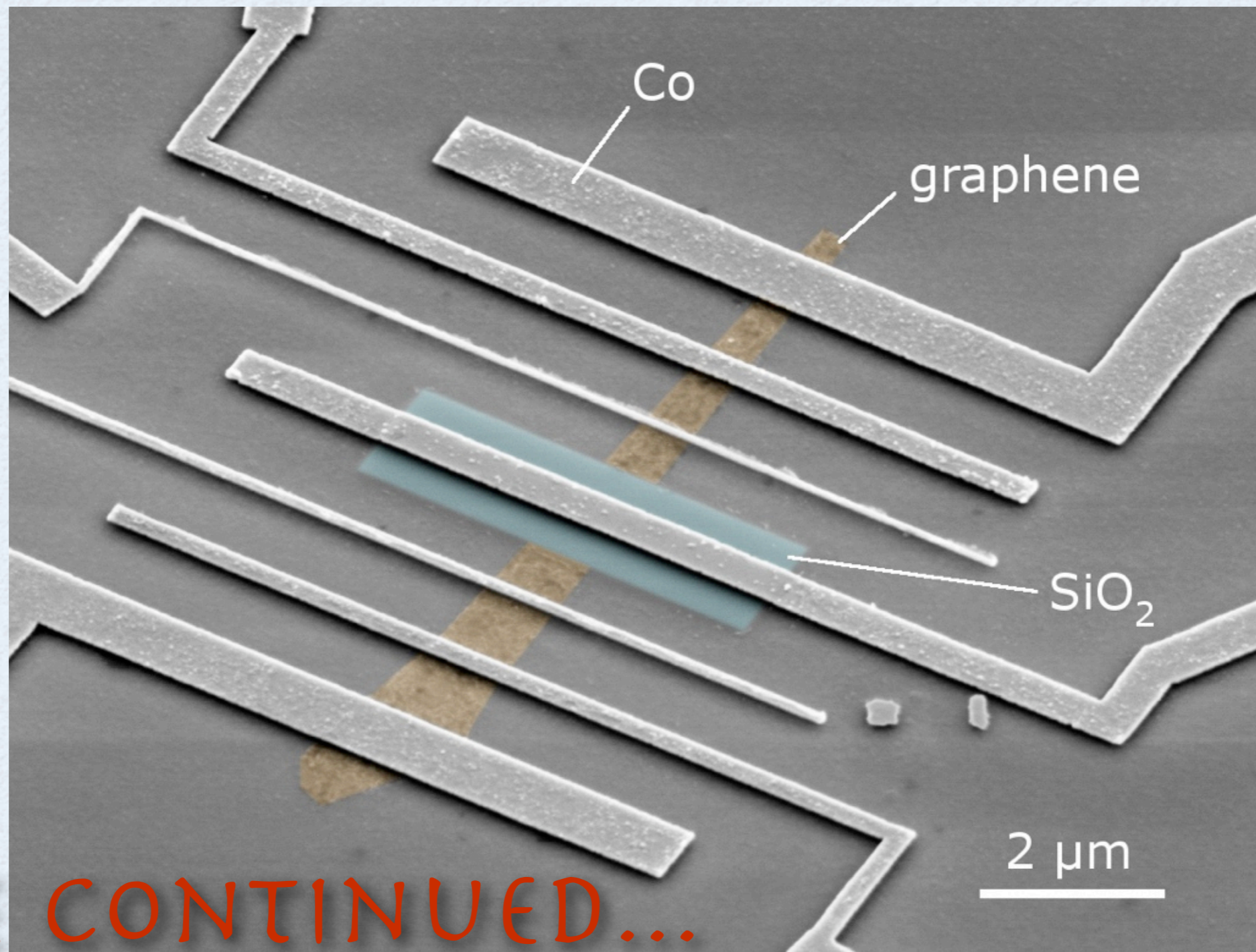
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TO BE CONTINUED...

# SUMMARY

## Spin vs. charge diffusion, relaxation anisotropy:

- No sign of spin Coulomb drag - weak e-e interactions;
- $\tau_s \leq 200$  ps, due to Elliott-Yafet;
- higher  $\mu$  (cleaner+suspended graphene)  $\rightarrow \lambda_s \approx 100$   $\mu\text{m}$  at RT.

## Control on spin injection+transport:

- Carrier drift enhances transport/injection; signals  $\approx 100$   $\Omega$ .

## Spin amplification device:

- spin imbalance enhanced by drift in a p-n junction;
- plenty of questions at the neutrality point.

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