HL 23: Topological Insulators I (jointly with MA, DS, O, TT)

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HL 23.1 Mon 17:45 H 1012

Atom-specific spin mapping and buried topological states in a homological series of topological insulators — Sergey V. Eremeev^{1,2}, Gabriel Landolt^{3,4}, Tatiana V. Menshchikova^{1,2}, Bartosz Slomski^{3,4}, Yury M. Koroteev^{1,2}, Ziya S. Aliev⁵, Mahammad B. Babanly⁵, •Jürgen Henk⁶, Arthur Ernst⁶, Luc Patthey⁴, Andreas Eich⁷, Alexander A. Khajetorians⁷, Julian Hagemeister⁷, Oswald Pietzsch⁷, Jens Wiebe⁷, Roland Wiesendanger⁷, Pedro M. Echenique², Stepan S. Tsirkin^{1,2}, Imamaddin R. Amiraslanov⁸, J. Hugo Dil^{3,4}, and Evgueni V. Chulkov² — ¹Tomsk State University, Russian Federation — ²Donostia International Physics Center, San Sebastián, Spain — ³Universität Zürich, Switzerland — ⁴Paul-Scherrer-Institut, Villigen, Switzerland — ⁵Baku State University, Azerbaijan — ⁶Max-Planck-Institut für Mikrostrukturphysik, Halle, Germany — ⁷Universität Hamburg, Germany — ⁸Azerbaijan National Academy of Science, Baku, Azerbaijan

By ab-initio calculations and spin-resolved photoemission experiments we demonstrate that a homological series of topological insulators—the binary chalcogenides Bi₂Te₃, Bi₂Se₃, and Sb₂Te₃ with the addition of a group IV element—can be tuned in such a way that ideal and isolated Dirac cones are located within the topological transport regime [1]. These compounds exhibit exotic buried topological states strongly protected against surface perturbations and with complex spin textures.

[1] S. V. Eremeev $et\ al,$ Nature Comm. (2011), in press.

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In-plane anisotropy of Fe atoms on $Bi_2Se_3(111)$ — J. Honolka¹, A. A. Khajetoorians², V. Sessi³, T. O. Wehling⁴, S. Stepanow¹, J. Mi⁵, B. B. Iversen⁵, •T. Schlenk², J. Wiebe², N. Brookes³, A. I. Lichtenstein⁴, P. Hofmann⁵, K. Kern¹, and R. Wiesendanger² — ¹Max-Planck-Institut für Festkörperforschung, Heisenbergstrasse 1, 70569 Stuttgart, Germany -²Institute for Applied Physics, Universität Hamburg, D-20355 Hamburg, Germany — ³ESRF, Grenoble, France — ⁴1. Institut für Theoretische Physik I, Universität Hamburg, D-20355 Hamburg, Germany - ⁵Interdisciplinary Nanoscience Center, Aarhus University, Denmark Topological insulators exhibit a linearly dispersing gapless topological surface state where both the spin and momentum degrees of freedom are locked. The topological nature of this state results in interesting effects such as suppression of back-scattering. Recently, the robustness of these surface states against magnetic order has been investigated intensively. Here, we explore the magnetic properties of single Fe adatoms on the Bi_2Se_3 surface, in the coverage range < 1%, with combined non-local x-ray magnetic circular dichroism techniques and local low temperature scanning tunneling spectroscopy. We show that the Fe adatoms relax into the surface and exhibit a magnetic easy axis within the surface-plane, contrary to recent reports. Futhermore, we show how ab-initio approaches can give a reorientation of the easy axis from out-of-plane to in-plane when considering the interplay of Coulomb interactions, spin orbit coupling, and dynamic hybridization

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Ab initio study of Rashba splitting of 2DEG at the surfaces of topological insulators — Sergey V. Eremeev^{1,2}, •Maia G. Vergniory^{3,4}, Tatiana V. Menshchikova², and Evgueni V. Chulkov^{4,5,6} — ¹Institue of Strength and Materials Science, Tomsk, Russia — ²Tomsk State University, Tomsk, Russia — ³Max Planck Institute of Microstructure Physics, Halle, Germany — ⁴Donostia International Physics Center, Donostia, Spain — ⁵Departamento de Fisica de Materiales UPV/EHU, Donostia, Spain — ⁶Centro de Fisica de Materiales CFM-MPC and Centro Mixto CSIC-UPV/EHU, Donostia, Spain

effects.

The surface of three dimensional topological insulators (TI) holds a metallic surface state (SS) with Dirac dispersion. Recently it has been demonstrated by using Angle Resolved Photoemission Spectroscopy (ARPES) that besides de Dirac cone 2D electron gas (2DEG) arise at the surface of Bi2Se3 and Bi2Te3 after a few hours of exposition in vacuum or upon deposition of atoms. In this work by means of DFT ab initio calculations we present a new interpretation for the

driving mechanism of the simultaneous formation and evolution of the parabolic and M-shaped 2D electron gas (2DEG) bands at the surface of Topological Insulators. As it has been probed in previous publications [7,8] it might be due to an expansion of the van der Waals spacing produced by impurities intercalation. We will show the effect of these expansions on the spatial relocalization of the Dirac cone and we will compare our results with some experimental data for different binary and ternary compounds.

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Reactive chemical doping of the Bi₂Se₃ topological insulator — •Hadj Mohamed Benia, Chengtian Lin, Klaus Kern, and Christian R. Ast — Max-Planck-Institut für Festkörperforschung, 70569 Stuttgart, Germany

We studied the evolution of the surface electronic structure of the topological insulator $\rm Bi_2Se_3$ as a function of water vapor exposure using angle resolved photoemission spectroscopy. We find that a surface reaction with water induces a band bending, which shifts the Dirac point deep into the occupied states and creates quantum well states with a strong Rashba-type splitting. The surface is thus not chemically inert, but the topological state remains protected. The band bending is traced back to Se-abstraction leaving positively charged vacancies at the surface. Due to the presence of water vapor, a similar effect takes place when $\rm Bi_2Se_3$ crystals are left in vacuum or cleaved in air, which likely explains the aging effect observed in the $\rm Bi_2Se_3$ band structure.

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Unoccupied electronic states of topological insulators —
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We report on the first investigation of the unoccupied electronic states of materials which are currently discussed in the context of topological insulators: $\rm Bi_2Se_3(111)$, $\rm Sb(111)$ and $\rm TlBiSe_2(111)$. First, different preparation methods (sputter-annealing, cleaving with scotch-tape) will be compared with regard to the surface quality of the samples, i.e. crystallographic order and chemical composition. Second, spin-resolved inverse-photoemission data will be presented. The experimental requirements concerning energy and momentum resolution will be addressed. Our first results show predominantly bulk-derived features with only small spin asymmetries. The experimental data will be discussed along with theoretical calculations for the unoccupied states.

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Quantization of conduction and valence band states through adsorption of nonmagnetic impurities on Bi₂Se₃ — •MARCO BIANCHI¹, RICHARD HATCH¹, ZAKARIA ABD ELFATTAH³, JIANLI MI², BO BRUMMERSTEDT IVERSEN², and PHILIP HOFMANN¹ — ¹Department of Physics and Astronomy, Interdisciplinary Nanoscience Center, Aarhus University, 8000 Aarhus C, Denmark — ²Departamento de Física de Materiales CSIC-UPV/EHU-Materials Physics Center, E-20018 Donostia-San Sebastián, Spain ³Center for Materials Crystallography, Department of Chemistry, Interdisciplinary Nanoscience Center, Aarhus University, 8000 Aarhus C, Denmark

Angle-resolved photoemission (ARPES) can give detailed information on the surface electronic structure of materials. Here we present an ARPES study of the adsorption-induced changes in the electronic structure of the topological insulator Bi₂Se₃(111). Exposure to CO results in strong shifts of the features observed by ARPES. The spectral changes can be explained by a simultaneous confinement of the bulk conduction band and valence band states. This is only possible because of the unusual bulk electronic structure of Bi₂Se₃. The valence band quantization leads to spectral features which resemble those of a band gap opening at the Dirac point. Similar effects are observed

when Rb is adsorbed on the surface. In this case up to seven quantum well states are found in the valence band, both above and below the

Dirac point.