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General Information

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Academic Experience

11/2018 - Present	Senior Research Scientist Center for Spintronics, KIST, Korea
09/2016 - 10/2018	Postdoctoral Researcher Institute of Physics, JGU Mainz, Germany
09/2016 - 09/2016	Guest Researcher Institute of Physics, JGU Mainz, Germany
03/2015 - 08/2016	Postdoctoral Researcher Center for Nanoscale Science and Technology, NIST, USA
02/2015 - 08/2016	Postdoctoral Researcher Institute for Research in Electronics and Applied Physics, UMD, USA
08/2014 - 02/2015	Guest Researcher Center for Nanoscale Science and Technology, NIST, USA
02/2013 - 02/2015	Postdoctoral Researcher Basic Science Research Institute, POSTECH, Korea
03/2009 - 02/2013	Research Assistant Department of Physics, POSTECH, Korea
03/2009 - 06/2010	Teaching Assistant Department of Physics, POSTECH, Korea
08/2008 - 12/2008	Grading Assistant Department of Physics, POSTECH, Korea

Research Interests

Electronic transport theory in quantum materials

- Berry curvature physics, anomalous transport phenomena, transport of quantum superposition
- Topological electronic states and their transport properties
- Dynamics of quasiparticles coupling with electrons in solids

Dynamic phenomena in low-dimensional materials

- Modeling electronic structure of low-dimensional materials
- Transport properties in low-dimensional materials
- Magnetization dynamics in low-dimensional magnets and its applications

Spin-orbit interaction in condensed matters

- Roles of spin-orbit interaction in equilibrium properties:
 - Rasha-Dresselhaus effects, magnetic anisotropy, chiral magnets, magnetic skyrmions
- Roles of spin-orbit interaction in non-equilibrium properties:
 Spin/orbital dynamics, spin/orbital Hall effect, spin-orbit torque

Spintronics applications

- Spin transport theory in heterostructures
- Magnetization dynamics driven by electrons/magnons
- Memory and non-memory applications of spintronic devices

Education

03/2009 - 02/2013 Institute Thesis Adviser Research Group Grade Remarks	Ph. D in Physics Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH), Korea Magnetization Dynamics in Rashba Spin-Orbit Coupling Systems Prof. Hyun-Woo Lee Theoretical Nanoscale Transport Lab 4.20 / 4.30 Thesis awarded at graduation
03/2005 – 02/2009 Institute Thesis Adviser Grade Remarks	B. S. in Physics (Major) and Mathematics (Minor) Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH), Korea Theoretical Analysis of Current-Induced Domain Wall Motion in a Ferromagnetic Nanowire Prof. Jae-Mo Park (Campus Life), Prof. Hyun-Woo Lee (Thesis) 4.18 / 4.30 (Summa cum laude) Thesis awarded at graduation Highest grade in all Departments in Science (Math, Physics, Chemistry, Life Science) Second highest grade in the entire university
03/2003 – 02/2005 Institute Thesis Adviser Remarks	High School Diploma Hansung Science High School Primality-test Algorithm for Great Numbers Young-Il Kim Participated in Research & Education Program with Prof. Han Hyuk Cho, Department of Mathematics Education, Seoul National University
	Awards (after 2020)
11/2023 10/2022 09/2022	Outstanding Young Researcher Award, by Korean Magnetics Society Hyun-Dang Physics Award, Korean Physical Society AUMS Young Researcher Award, Asian Union of Magnetics Societies
	Academic Activities
Program Committe	ee & Professional Memberships
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10/2023	Vice Secretary, Program Committee, ICAMD 2023, Jeju Session Organizer, Focus Session: Magnon Spintronics in 2023 KPS Fall Meeting, Changwon Local Committee Member, MML 2023, Seoul
04/2023	Session Organizer, Focus Session: Angular Momentum Dynamics of Elementary
10/2022	Excitations in Solids in 2023 KPS Spring Meeting, Daejeon Session Organizer, Focus Session: Young Researchers for Spintronics in Low
07/2018	Dimensions in KPS 70th Anniversary and 2022 Fall Meeting, Busan Workshop Organizer, Young Research Leaders Group Workshop: Collective phenomena in driven quantum systems, Mainz
2023 - 2024 2022 - present 2019 - 2020 2023 - 2024 2011 - present 2008 - 2016 2010 - present	Editorial Assistant, Korean Magnetics Society Committee Member, Applied Physics Division (Spin), Korean Physical Society Committee Member, Applied Physics Division (Spin), Korean Physical Society Fellow, Korean Magnetics Society Regular Member, Korean Magnetics Society Regular Member, American Physical Society Student/Regular Member, Korean Physical Society

Presentations Full list of presentations at https://sites.google.com/view/kwk-kist/presentations

Publications

Overview

- 64 Publications including
 - 34 publications contributed as a first/corresponding author
 - Nature Materials, Nature Nanotechnology, 4 Nature Communications (one as a first author), 11 Physical Review Letters (six as a first/corresponding author).
 - 2 Advanced Materials (one as a corresponding author),
 - 2 Nano Letters (one as a first author), 2 ACS Nano (one as a corresponding author), Physics Reports, Advanced Science
 - Two News & Views articles in Nature Physics, Nature Materials (both as a first author)
- Highly cited papers (citation indices from Google Scholar)
 - 1 paper cited 450+ times
 - 1 more paper cited 350+ times
 - 1 more paper cited 250+ times (first author)
 - 1 more paper cited 200+ times (first author)
 - 3 more papers cited 100+ times (two as a first author)
 - 7 more papers cited 50+ times (four as a first author)
- **Highlighted articles**
 - 4 papers highlighted in Physics Plaza, Physics & High Technology
 - 3 papers selected as Cover
 - 1 paper highlighted as News & Views
 - 1 paper selected as 100 Remarkable Achievements of National Research & Development
 - 1 paper highlighted as Top 10 News in Science and Technology in 2016
 - 1 paper Altmetric Attention Score 55+ (< Top 5%)
- **Patents**
 - Two Korean patents in spintronic devices registered (Highest contribution for both)
 - Two US patents in spintronic devices registered (Highest contribution for both)
- Citations: 2700+ times cited in total (h-index 23)

Full list of publications at https://sites.google.com/view/kwk-kist/publications/list-of-publications

Selected Publications

t: equal contributions c: corresponding author(s)

[15] Field-free switching of perpendicular magnetization by two-dimensional PtTe2/WTe2 van der Waals heterostructures with high spin Hall conductivity

F. Wang[†], G. Shi[†], K.-W. Kim[†], H.-J. Park, J. G. Jang, H. R. Tan, M. Lin, Y. Liu, T. Kim, D. Yang, S. Zhao, K. Lee, S. Yang, A. Soumyanarayanan, K.-J. Leec, and H. Yangc Accepted for publication

Optoelectronic manifestation of the orbital angular momentum driven by chiral hopping in helical Se chains

B. Kim[†], D. Shin[†], S. Namgung, N. Park, **K.-W. Kim**^c, and J. Kim^c ACS Nano 17, 18873 (2023)

Universal hopping motion protected by structural topology

M. Song[†], M. You[†], S. Yang, T.-S. Ju, K.-W. Moon, C. Hwang, **K.-W. Kim**^c, A. M. G. Park^c, and K.-J. Kim^c Adv. Mater. 34, 2203275 (2022) **Selected as Cover**

Spin Swapping Effect of Band-Structure Origin in Centrosymmetric Ferromagnets

H.-J. Park, H.-W. Ko, G. Go, J. H. Oh, K.-W. Kim^c, and K.-J. Lee^c Phys. Rev. Lett. 129, 037202 (2022)

Highlighted in Physics Plaza, Physics & High Technology, Oct (2022)

[11] Orbital Dynamics in Centrosymmetric Systems

S. Han, H.-W. Leec, and K.-W. Kimc Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 176601 (2022)

Highlighted in Physics Plaza, Physics & High Technology July-Aug (2022)

[10] Generalized Spin Drift-Diffusion Formalism in Presence of Spin-Orbit Interaction of Ferromagnets

K.-W. Kim^c and K.-J. Lee^c

Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 207205 (2020)

Altmetric Attention Score 55+ (< Top 5%)

[9] Exploitable magnetic anisotropy of the two-dimensional magnet Crl₃

J. Kim[†], K.-W. Kim[†], B. Kim, C.-J. Kang, D. Shin, S.-H. Lee, B.-C. Min, and N. Park^o Nano Lett. **20**, 929-935 (2020)

Cited 50+ times

[8] Prediction of ferroelectricity-driven Berry curvature enabling charge- and spin-controllable photocurrent in tin telluride monolayers

J. Kim[†], K.-W. Kim[†], D. Shin, S.-H. Lee, J. Sinova, N. Park, and H. Jin^c Nat. Commun. **10**, 3965 (2019)

[7] Unidirectional Magnon-Driven Domain Wall Motion due to Interfacial Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya Interaction

K.-W. Kim[†], S.-W. Lee[†], J.-H. Moon, G. Go, A. Manchon, H.-W. Lee, K. Everschor-Sitte, and K.-J. Lee^c Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 147202 (2019)

[6] Spintronics: Chiral Damping

K.-W. Kimc and H.-W. Leec

Nature Mater. 15, 253-254 (2016)

[5] Spintronics: SHE's electric

K.-W. Kim^c and Hyun-Woo Lee^c Nature Phys. **10**, 549-550 (2014)

[4] Chirality from interfacial spin-orbit coupling effects in magnetic bilayers

K.-W. Kim, H.-W. Leec, K.-J. Lee, and M. D. Stiles

Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 216601 (2013)

Cited 200+ times

Highlighted in Physics Plaza, Physics & High Technology, Mar (2014)

[3] Current-induced motion of a transverse magnetic domain wall in the presence of spin Hall effect

S.-M. Seo[†], K.-W. Kim[†], J. Ryu, H.-W. Lee^c, and K.-J. Lee^c

Appl. Phys. Lett. 101 (02), 022405 (2012)

Cited 100+ times

[2] Prediction of giant spin motive force due to Rashba spin-orbit coupling

K.-W. Kim, J.-H. Moon, K.-J. Lee, and H.-W. Lee^c

Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 217202 (2012)

Cited 100+ times

Highlighted in Physics Plaza, Physics & High Technology, Nov (2012)

[1] Magnetization dynamics induced by in-plane currents in ultrathin magnetic nanostructures with Rashba spin-orbit coupling

K.-W. Kim, S.-M. Seo, J. Ryu, K.-J. Leec, and H.-W. Leec

Phys. Rev. B 85, 180404(R) (2012)

Cited 250+ times