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Domain wall motion and spin wave

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Abstract

In this talk, I will discuss the interplay between magnetic domain wall (DW) motion and spin wave (SW) [1-2] absorption and emission. Both DW and SW are the fundamental excitations of magnetic systems. In a magnetic nanowire, we show that DW propagation accompanies normally spin wave emission on the one hand. On the other hand, a SW passing through a DW tends to drive the DW moving against the SW propagating direction. This interplay between DW and SW leads to very rich physics. I shall present our recent progress on the subject: 1) Magnon, quanta of SW, can efficiently mediate spin angular momentum transfer between SW and DW because magnons are spin-1 particles [1]. 2) Magnonic spin-transfer torque can drive a DW to propagate at a high speed [1]. 3) DW motion will generate SW, and, as a result, a static magnetic field can even drive a DW to propagate along a dissipationless nanowire through SW emission [2]. 4) The widely believed Walker rigid-body propagation mode is not stable in a dissipated wire because of the SW emission, and DW propagation is locked into a soliton mode [2]. Furthermore, our studies imply that two DWs can interact with other through the SWs.

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About the Speaker

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