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## **Weekly Seminar**

# **CHIRAL SPINTRONICS**

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#### Abstract

Chirality is one of the fundamental asymmetries in nature. Recently chiral nature of specific magnetic structures has been enormous attention and arisen to be very useful for potential application to spintronics since it has been realized that the combination with spin-orbit interaction such as spin Hall effect can be very efficient in manipulation of magnetic elements [1]. In this talk I will present a variety of novel emergent phenomena associated with chiral properties from emergent magnetic nanostructures: spin-orbit torques from perpendicularly magnetized ultrathin films [2], exchange coupling torque [3] and chiral exchange drag [4] from synthetic antiferromagnets, and chiral tunneling from chiral molecules [5]. In the end I will conclude my talk with promising outlooks from these new findings.

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### About the Speaker

Dr. See-Hun Yang is a Research Staff Member working for IBM Research – Almaden, San Jose, CA in the US. His research interests are spintronics and magnetoelectronics to understand the physics of current-induced manipulation of magnetic elements in nanostructures and to develop devices that are useful for emerging new types of memory and neuromorphic artificial intelligence technology. Before joining IBM, he obtained B.S, M.S, and Ph.D. from Department of Physics, Seoul National University with the theses on Heusler alloys and heavy fermion materials. After this, he worked for Advanced Light Source, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory as a postdoc research fellow, where he developed a novel technique to probe magnetic and electronic structure in the buried layers using x-ray standing waves. He received IBM Research Division Award for the Discovery of Giant Tunneling Magnetoresistance in MgO-based Magnetic Tunnel Junctions that is one of major impacts to modern spintronics. Recently, he has made a few breakthroughs by discovering entirely new powerful torques that can move magnetic domain walls much more efficiently by current than established conventional spin transfer torque. He has published more than 100 peer reviewed papers in Science, Nature Materials, Nature Nanotechnology, Nature Physics, Nature Communications, Science Advances, Nano Letters, Physical Review Letters, and Journal of Physics, etc.

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