

PF研究会「磁性薄膜・多層膜を究める」

2011年10月14日

スピントロニクス研究の進展と 放射光への期待



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Activities in our Lab.

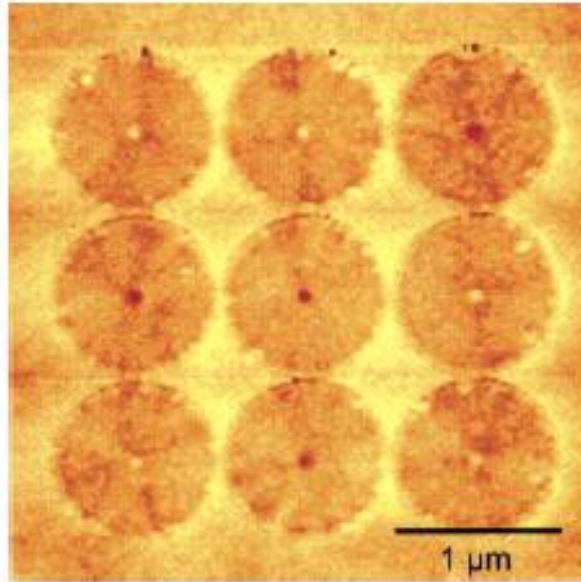
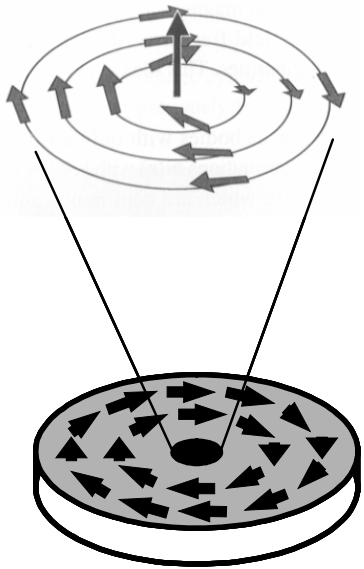
(1) Nanomagnetism

- Field-induced DW motion (Science 1999, PRL2008)
- Magnetic vortex core (Science 2000)
- Current-induced DW motion (PLR2004, N.Mat.2011)
- Current-induced magnetic vortex core switching (PRL2006,2008, N.Mat.2007)
- Electric field control of magnetism (N.Mat.2011)
- GMR in pure Si (Nature 2009)

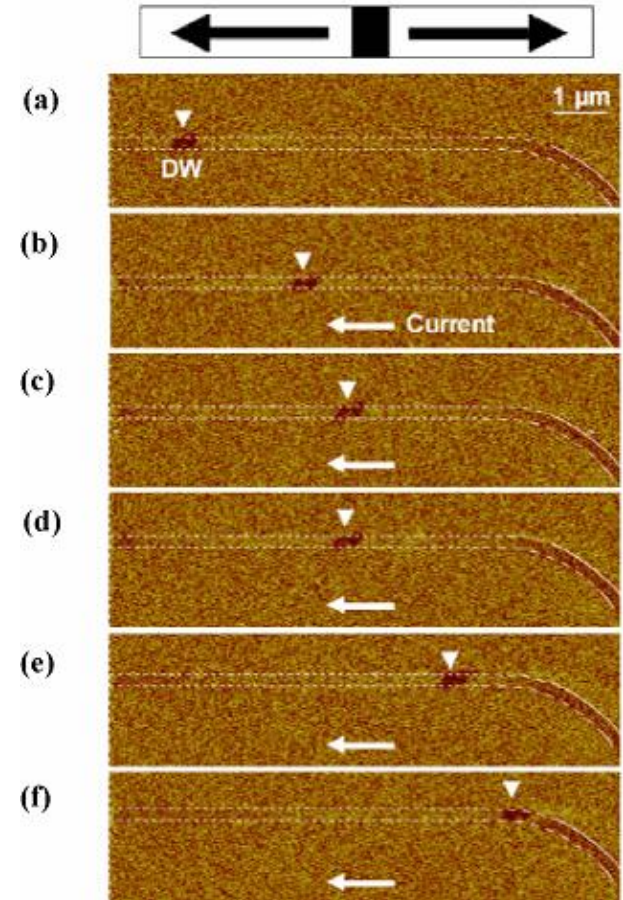
(2) Mesoscopic physics (Shot noise measurements)

- Experimental confirmation of fluctuation theorem (PRL2010)
- Shot noise in Kondo system (PRL2011)
- Shot noise in MTJ (APL2010, 2011)

磁気渦と磁壁、そしてちょっとだけ放射光



Vortex core, Science (2000)

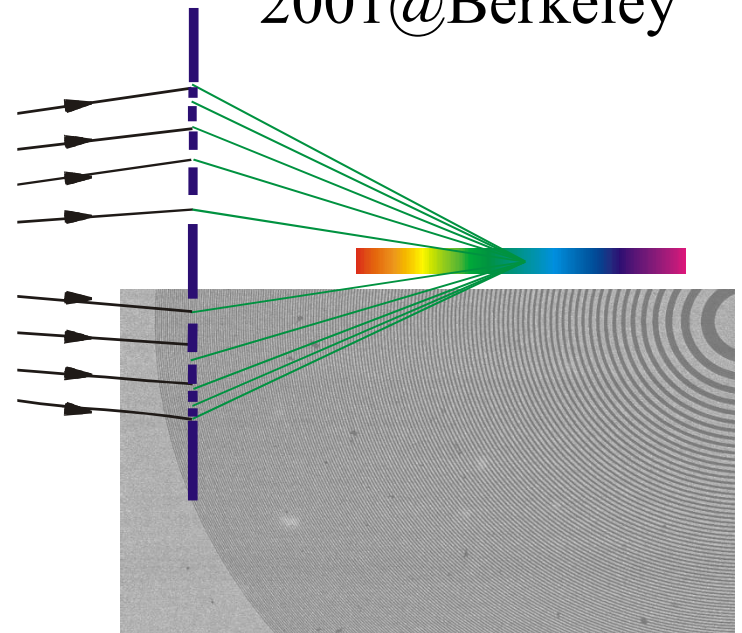
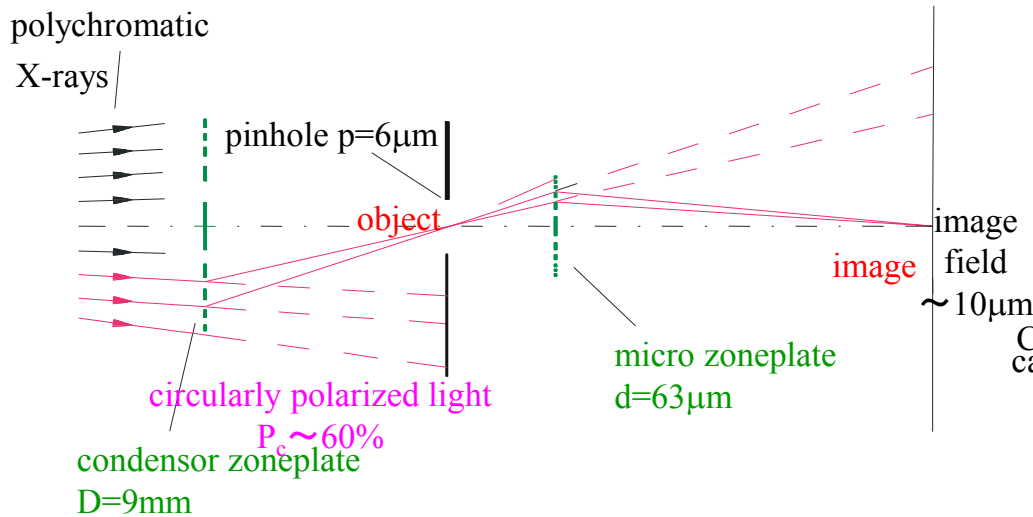
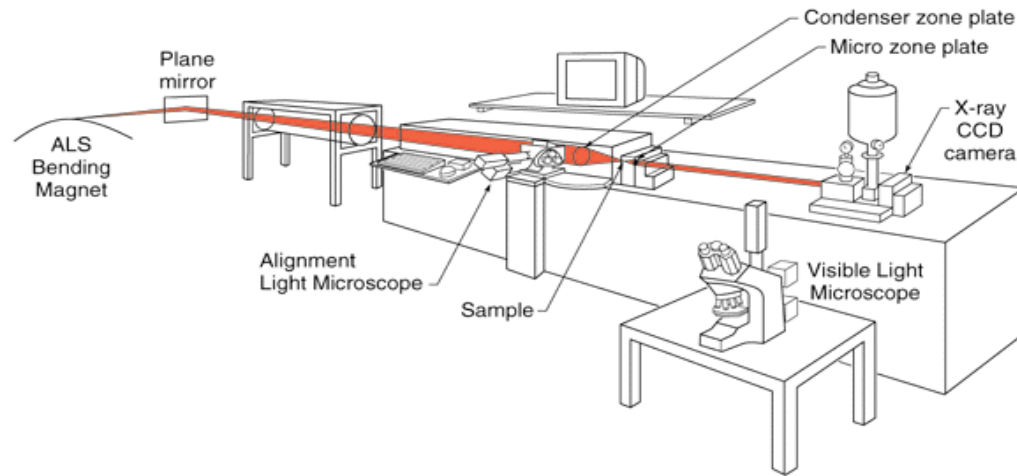


Current-induced DW motion, Phys.Rev.Lett.(2004) 4

Magnetic Transmission X-ray Microscope @ ALS in Berkeley with Peter Fischer

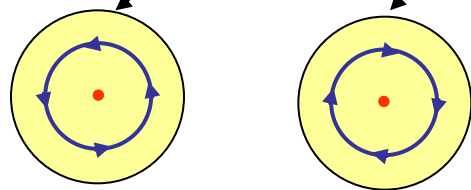
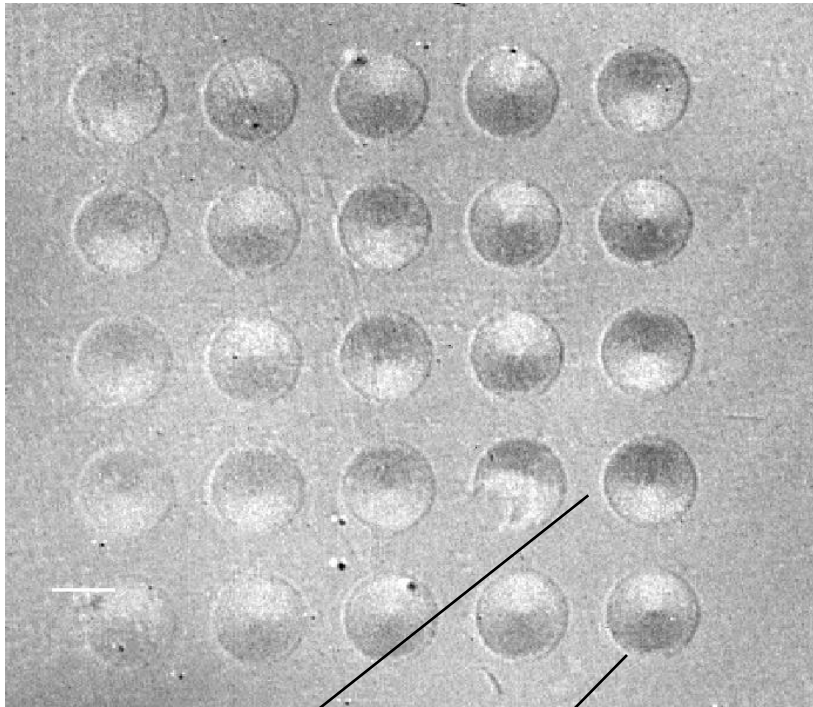


2001 @ Berkeley

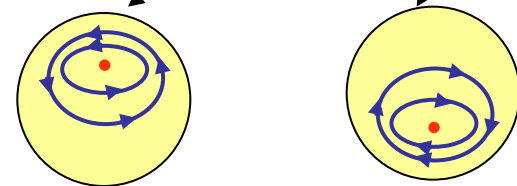
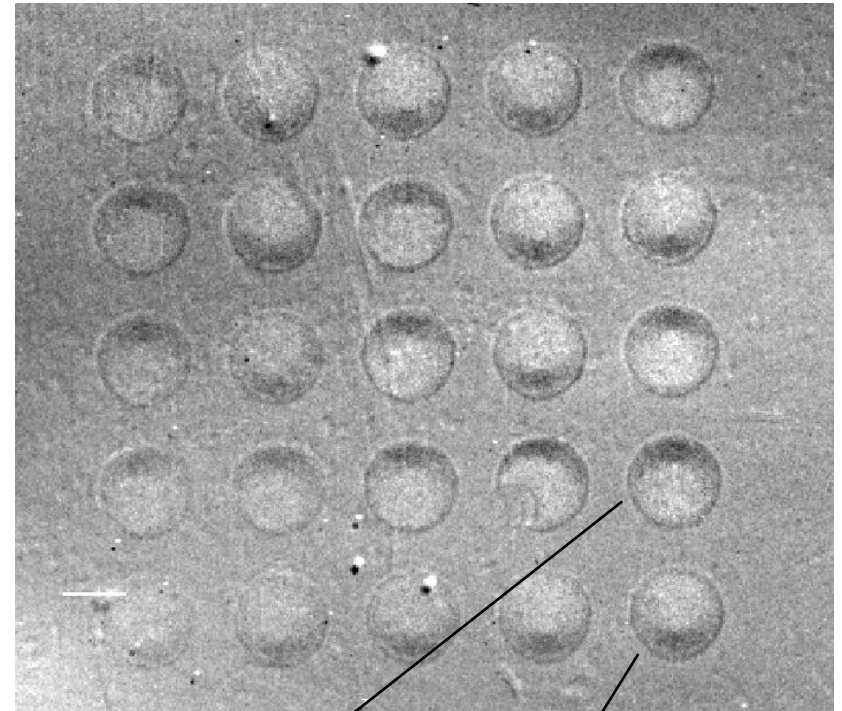


Magnetic domains in Permalloy disks

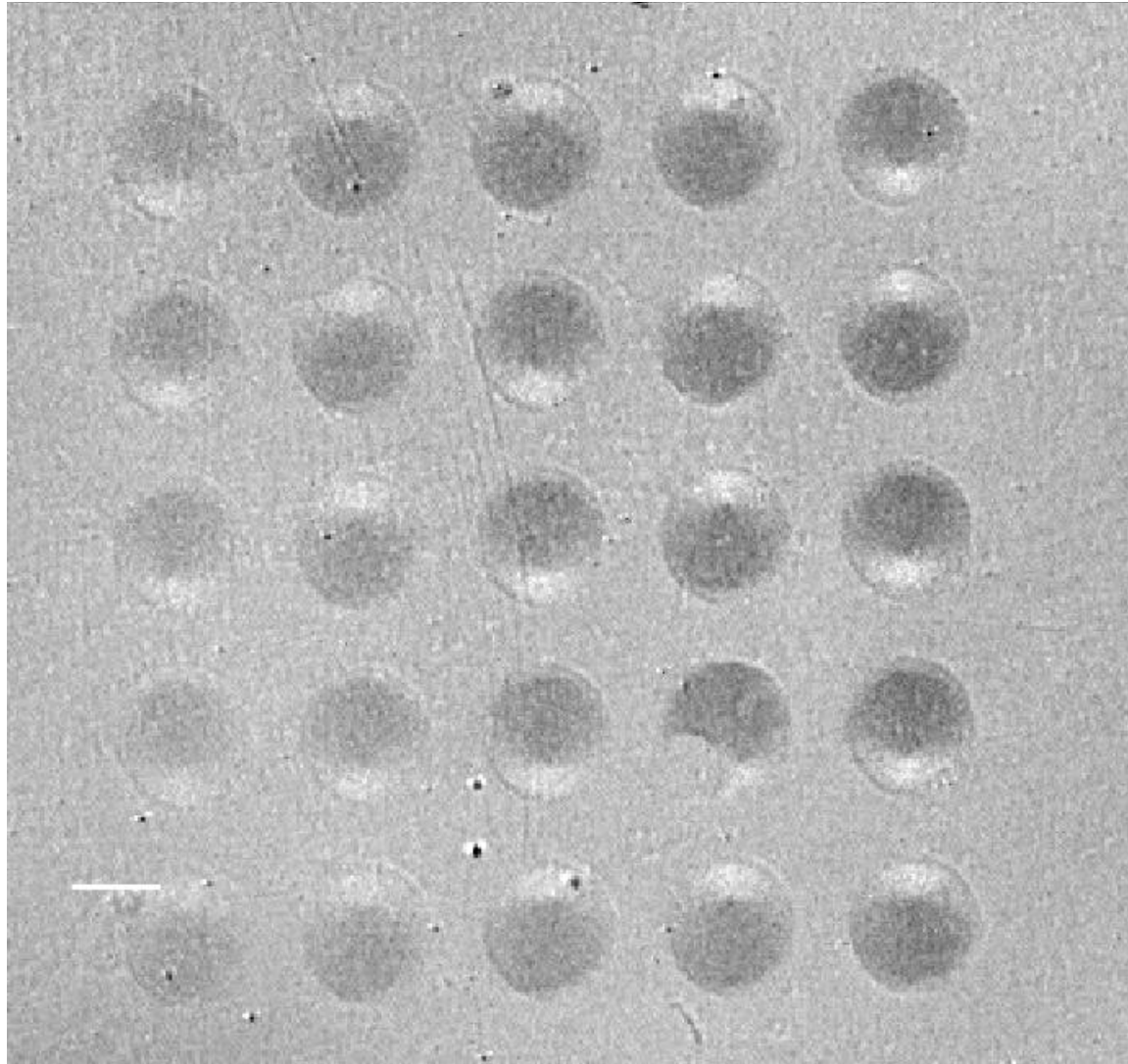
$H = 0$ Oe



$H = 300$ Oe



Magnetic domains in a 50nm PY dots

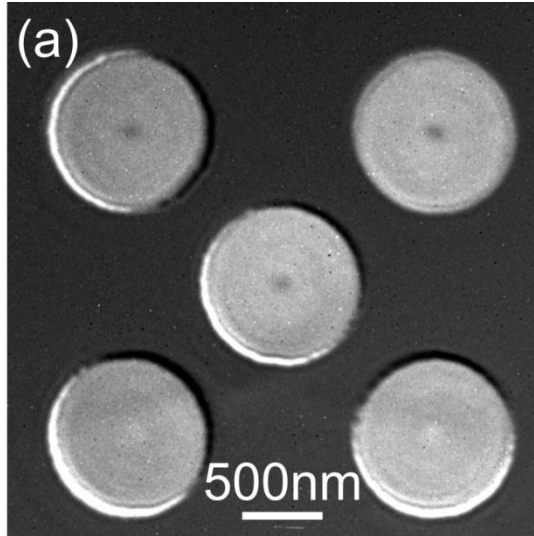


+0.5A
+0.3A
0A
-0.3A
-0.5A

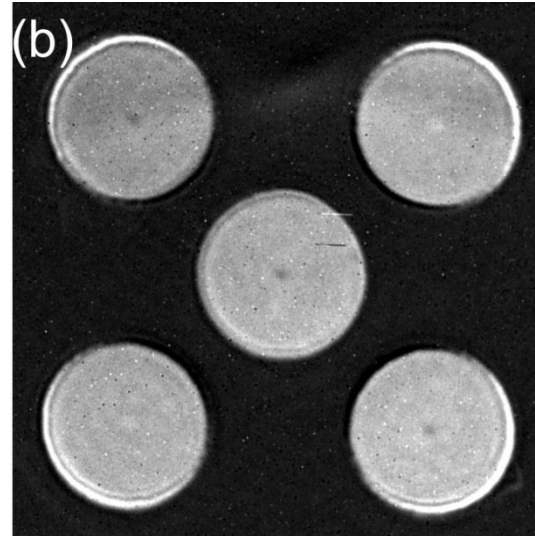
Vortex core observation by MTXM

P. Fischer, M.-Y. Im, S. Kasai, K. Yamada, T. Ono, A. Thiaville PRB 83 212402 (2011)

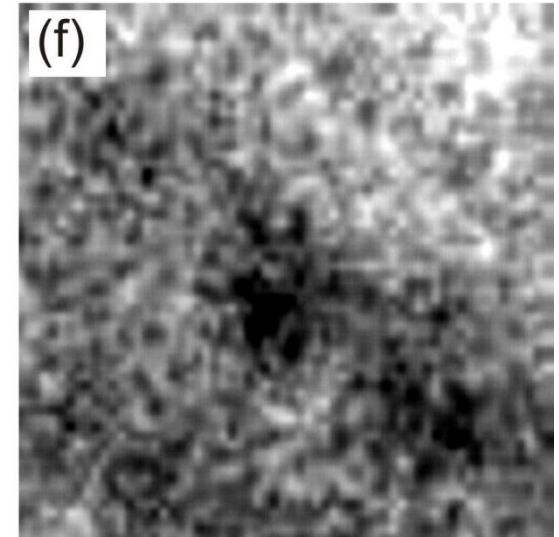
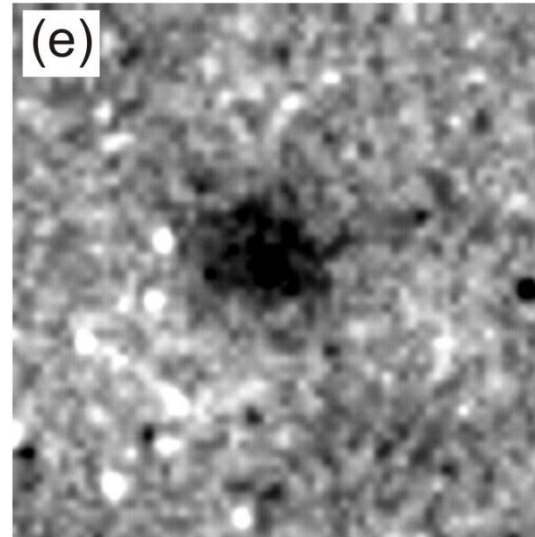
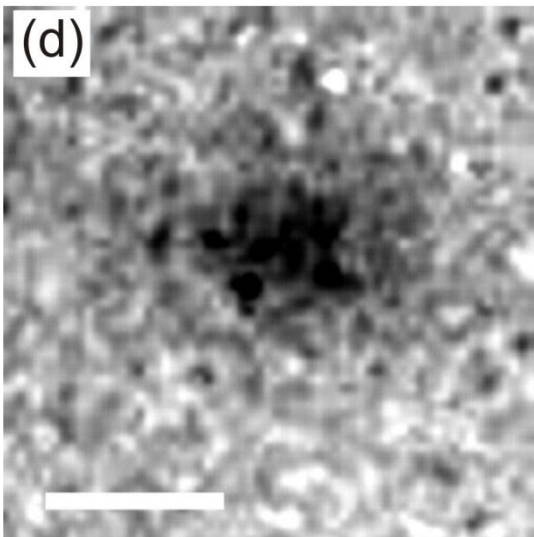
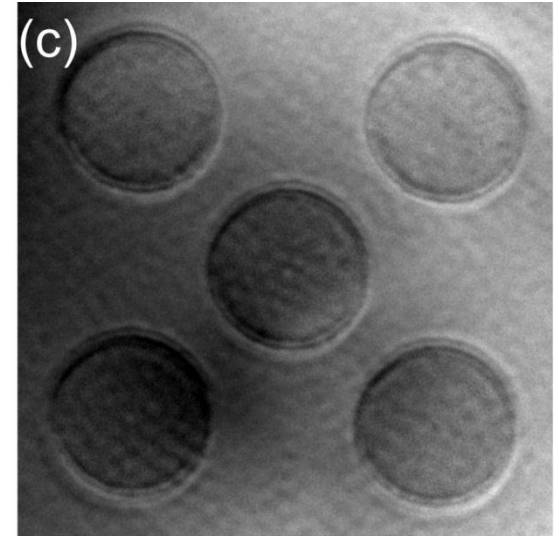
150 nm thick



100 nm thick



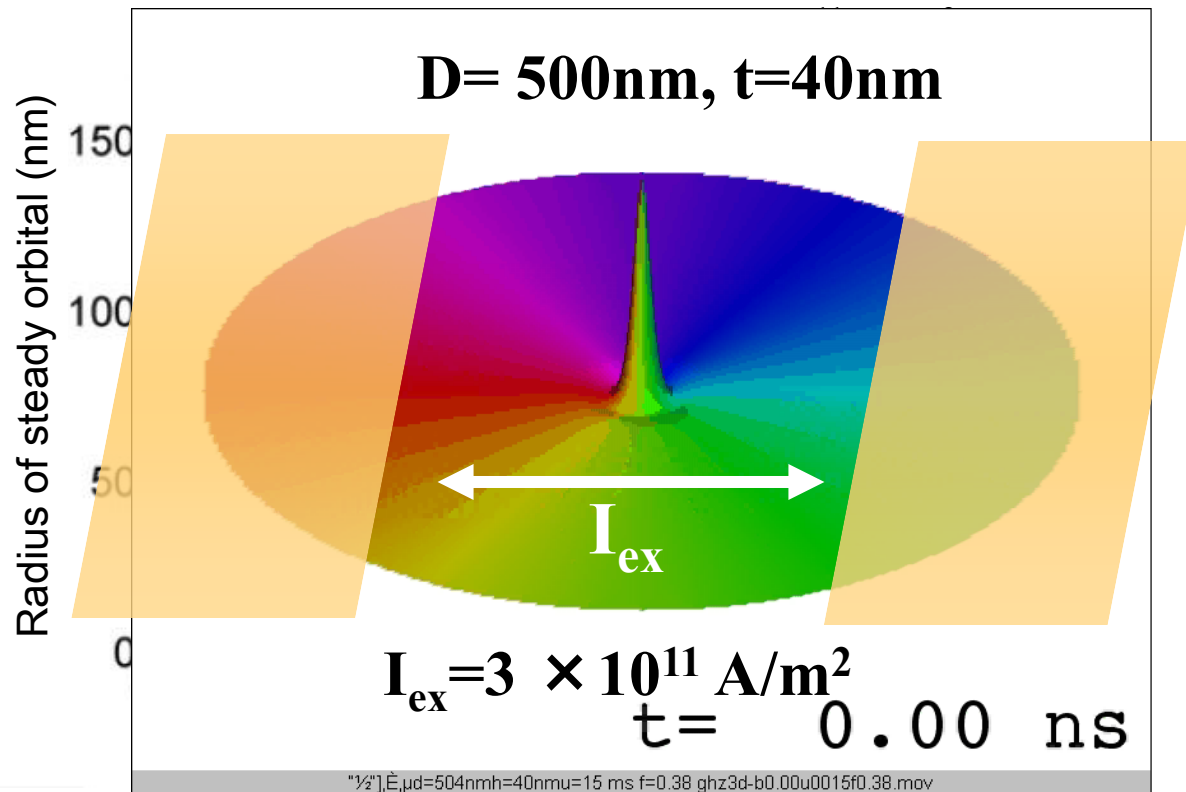
50 nm thick



Resonance of vortex core by AC current

-Micromagnetic simulation including spin transfer term-

$$\dot{\mathbf{m}} = -|\gamma|\mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{H} + \alpha \mathbf{m} \times \dot{\mathbf{m}} - u \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial x}, \quad u = \frac{g\mu_B J P}{2eM_s}$$

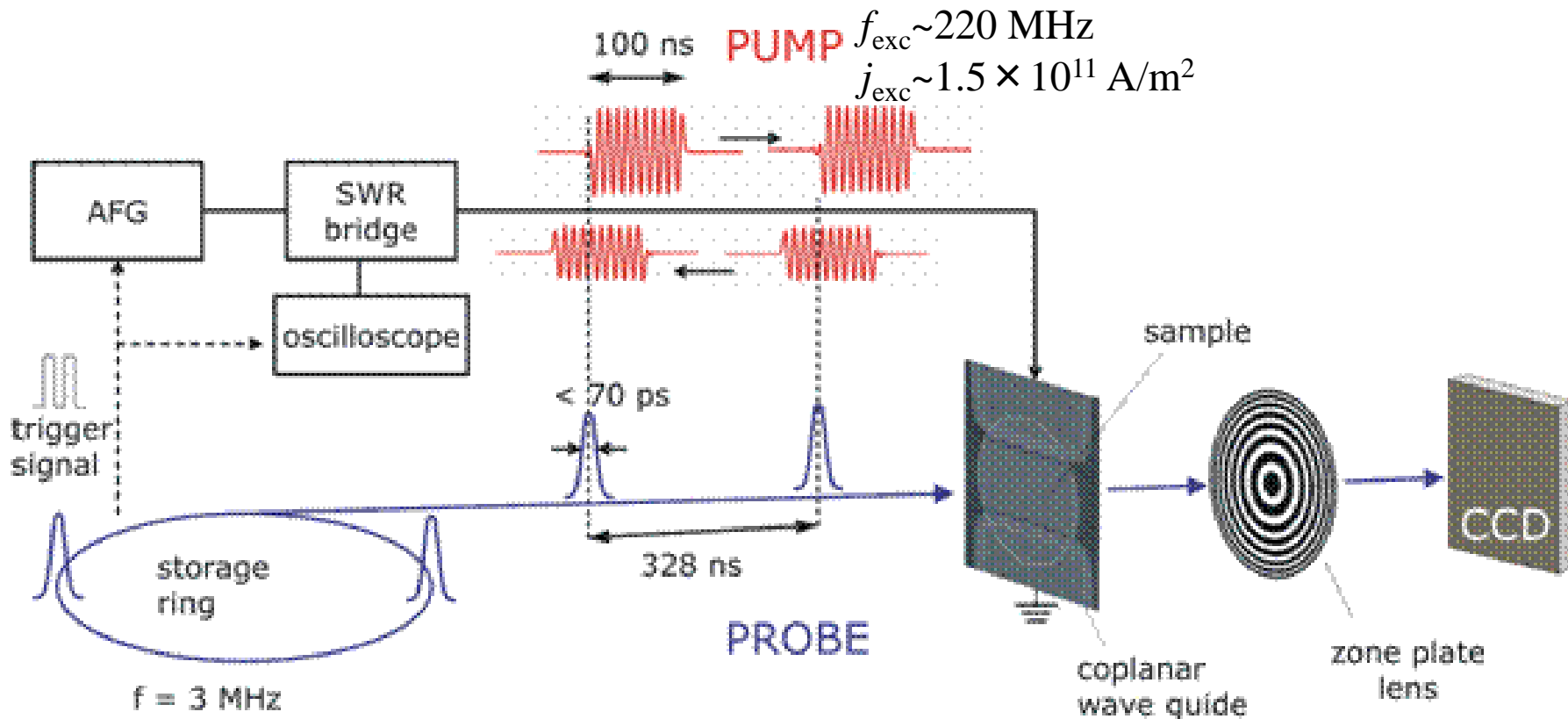


Experimental proof:

Resistance measurements, Kasai *et al.*, *PRL* 97, 107204 (2006).

X-ray microscope, Kasai *et al.*, *PRL* 101, 237203 (2008).

Real-space imaging of current-induced resonant motion of vortex core by Magnetic Transmission X-ray Microscope



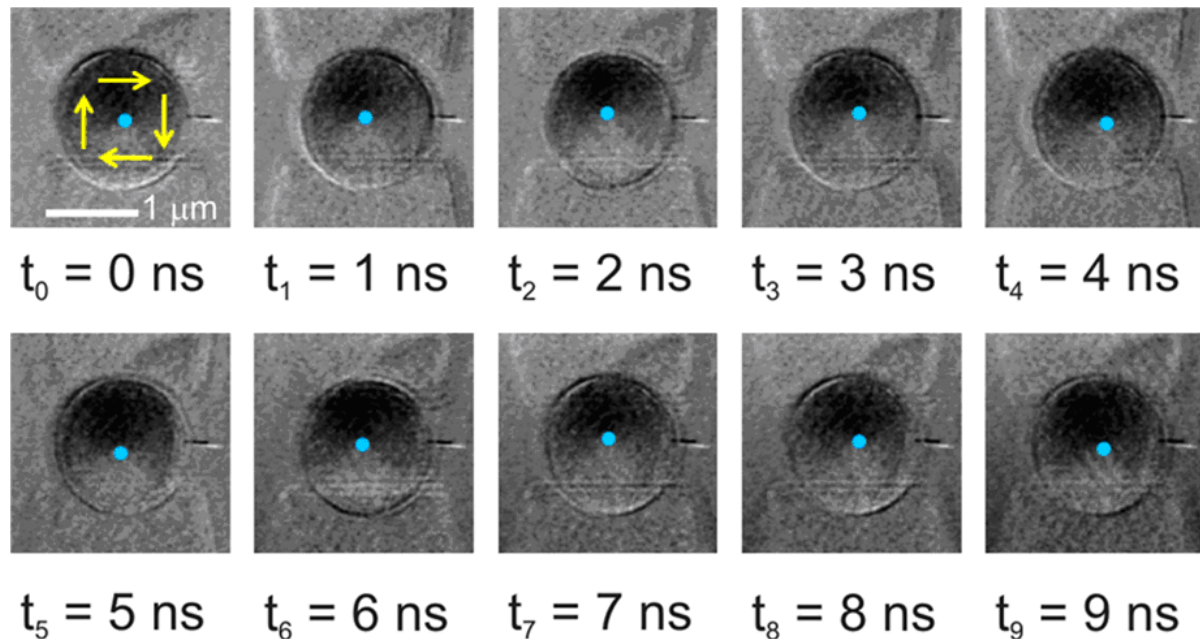
M-TXM with pump-probe method
(ALS: BL 6.1.2, Ni edge)

$\text{Ni}_{81}\text{Fe}_{19}$ dot $d=1.5 \mu\text{m}$, $t=40 \text{ nm}$
on 200 nm-thick Si_3N_4 membrane

20nm space-resolution
70ps time-resolution

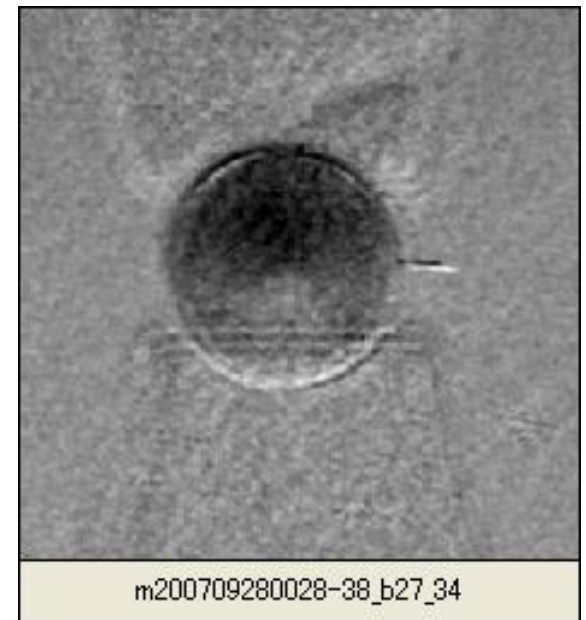
Time-resolved imaging of current-induced resonant motion of vortex core by Magnetic Transmission X-ray Microscope

Time-resolved image



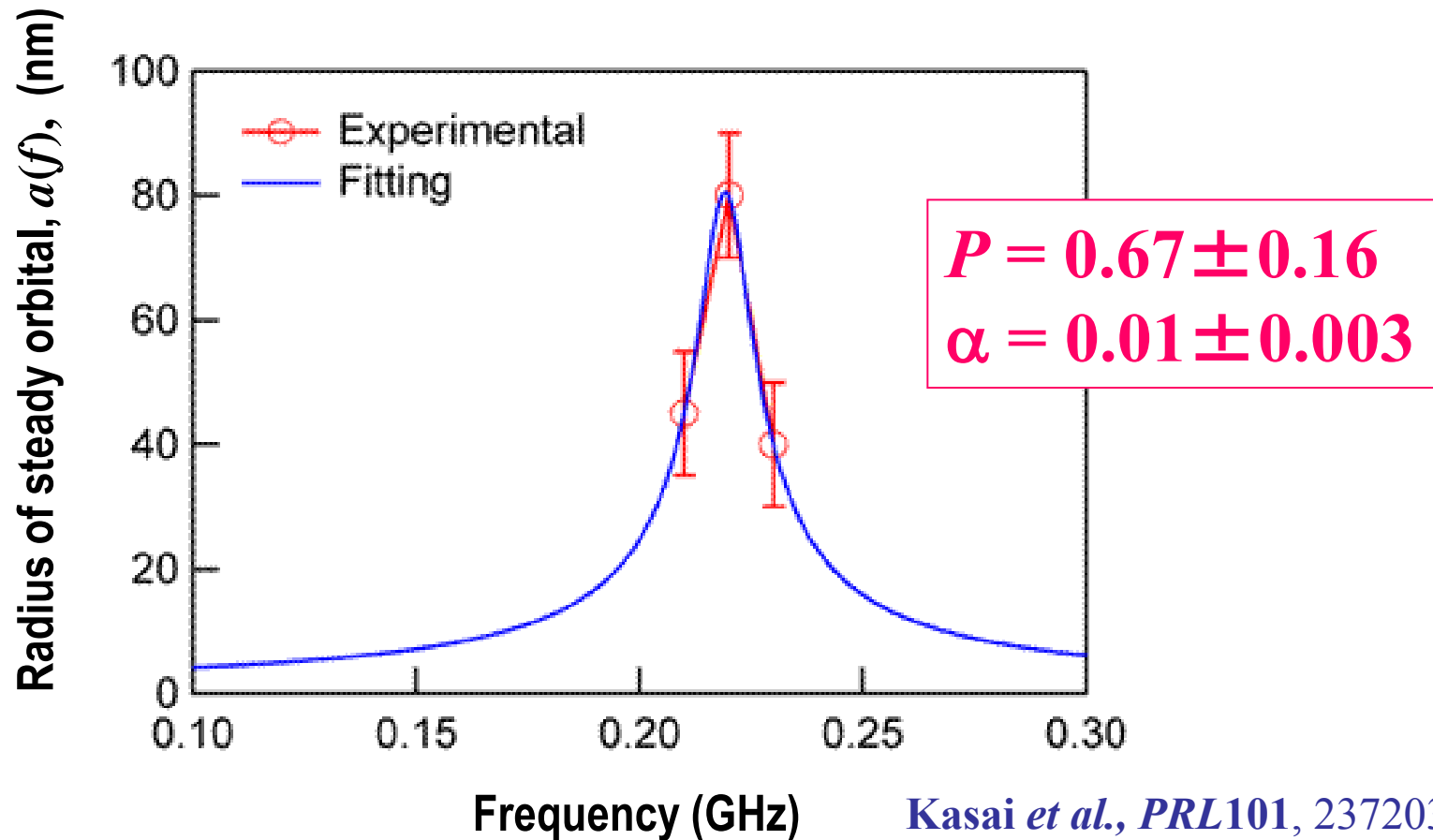
$$f_{\text{exc}} \sim 220 \text{ MHz}$$
$$j_{\text{exc}} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ A/m}^2$$

Movie



Kasai *et al.*, *PRL*101, 237203 (2008).

Fitting by analytical model



Determination of spin polarization
through spin-transfer torque!

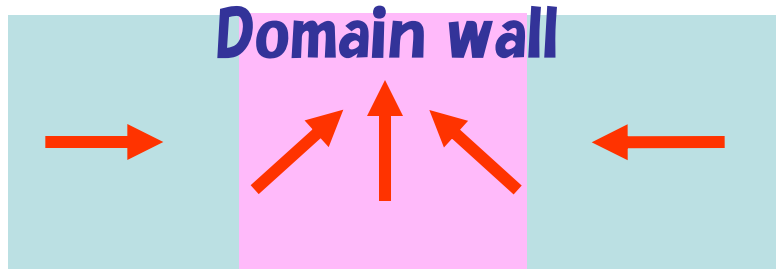
P determined from CPP-GMR measurements: $P=0.7$

J. Bass, W. P. Jr. Pratt, J. Magn. Magn. Mater. 200, 274 (1999)

Current-induced domain wall motion

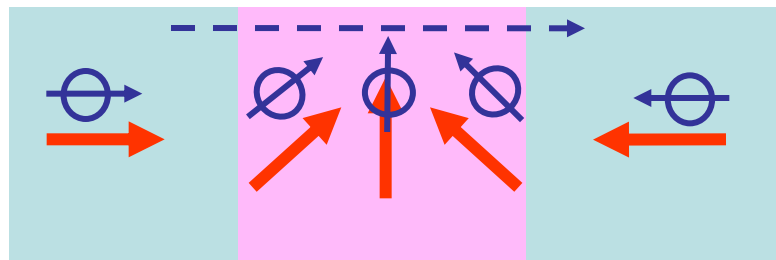
(Action-reaction between electron & local moment)

Berger(1984)



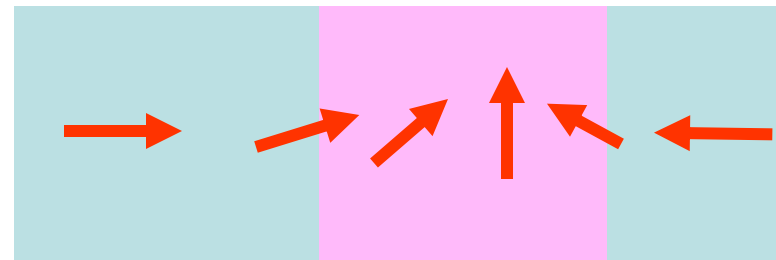
Static domain wall

Current



Spin rotates
anti-clockwise.

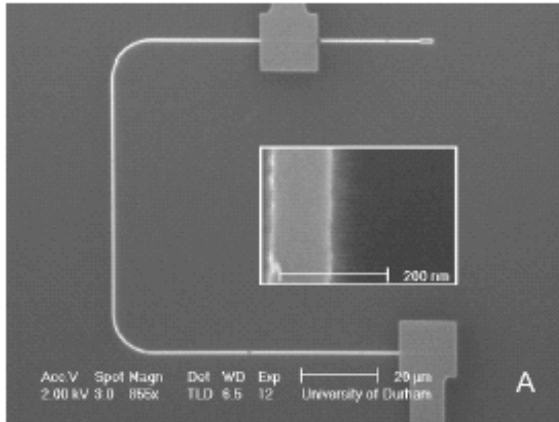
Action-reaction!
Adiabatic spin torque



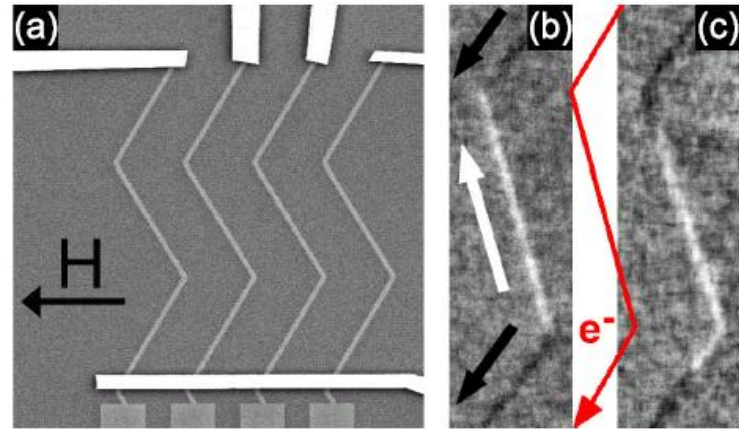
Local magnetic moment
should rotate clockwise.

DW motion by electric current without magnetic field!!

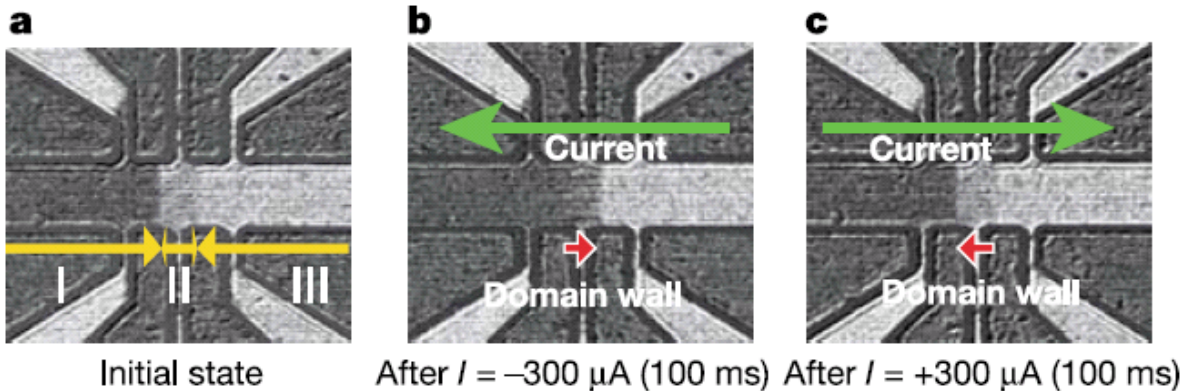
Experimental evidences



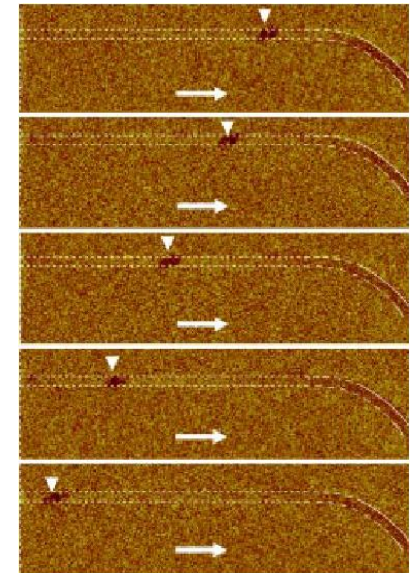
N. Vernier *et al.*,
Europhys. Lett. 65 (2004) 526.



M. Klaui & R. Allenspach *et al.*,
Phys. Rev. Lett. 95 (2005) 526.

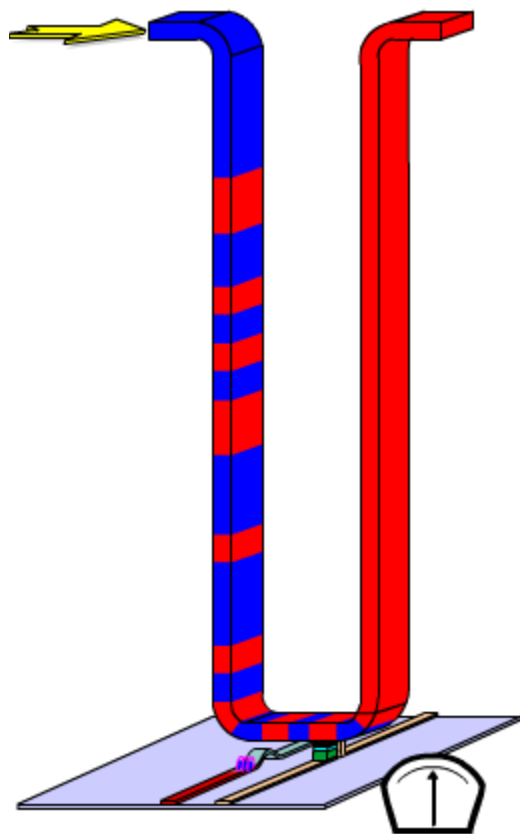


M. Yamanouchi *et al.*,
Nature, 428 (2004) 539.



A. Yamaguchi *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett., 92 (2004) 077205.

IBMによるMagnetic Racetrack Memoryの提案

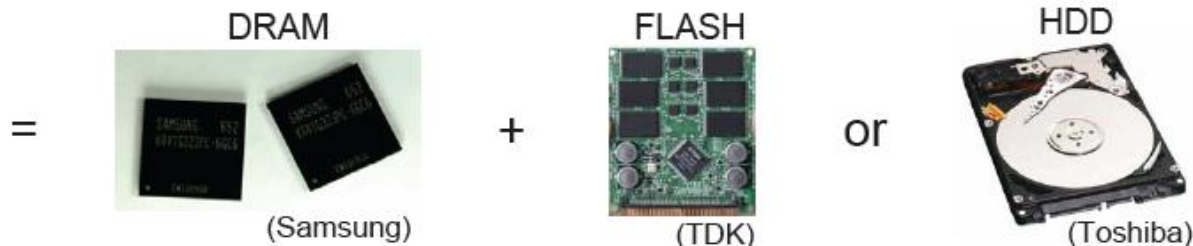
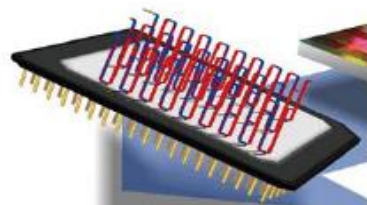


磁壁電流駆動を用いた3次元メモリー



情報は磁壁に記録

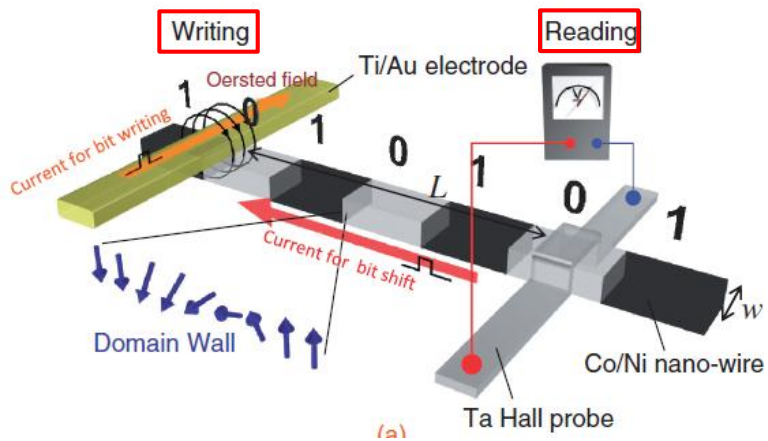
- HDD並の情報量
- 固体メモリー (DRAM, FLASH, SRAM...)並の安定性・高速性



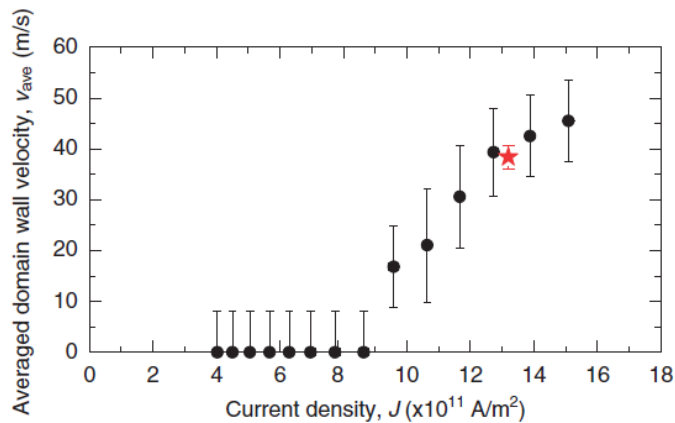
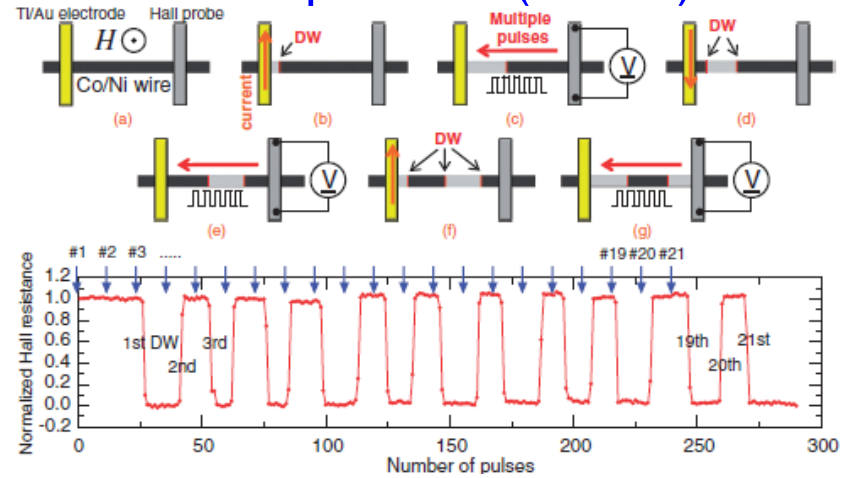
Courtesy of Stuart Parkin (IBM)

Race-track memory Demo. Writing, Shifting, Reading

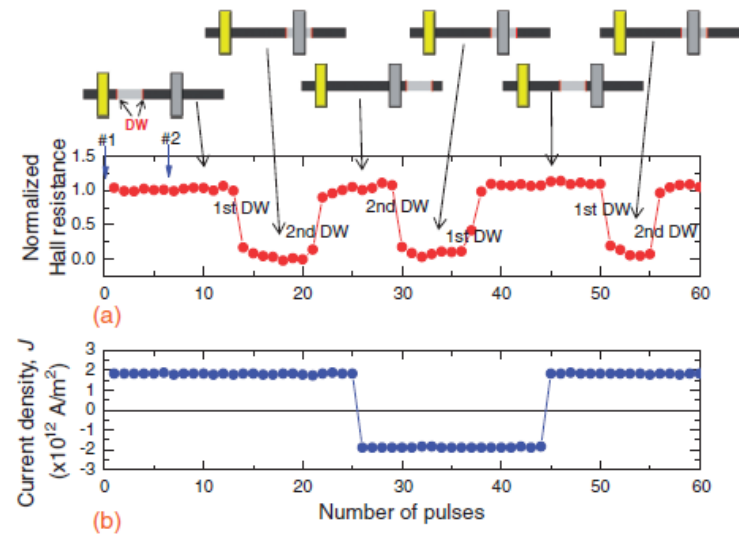
Applied Physics Express 3 (2010) 073004.



Shift operation (3DWs)

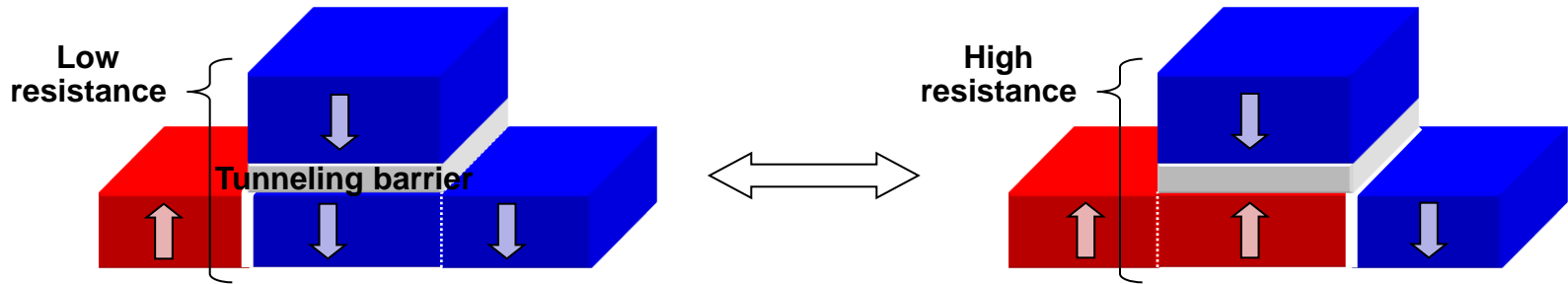


Back & forth operation (2DWs)



Multi-DWs motion with the same velocity as a single DW.

DW-MRAM proposed by NEC



Reading: TMR effect

Writing: Current-induced DW motion

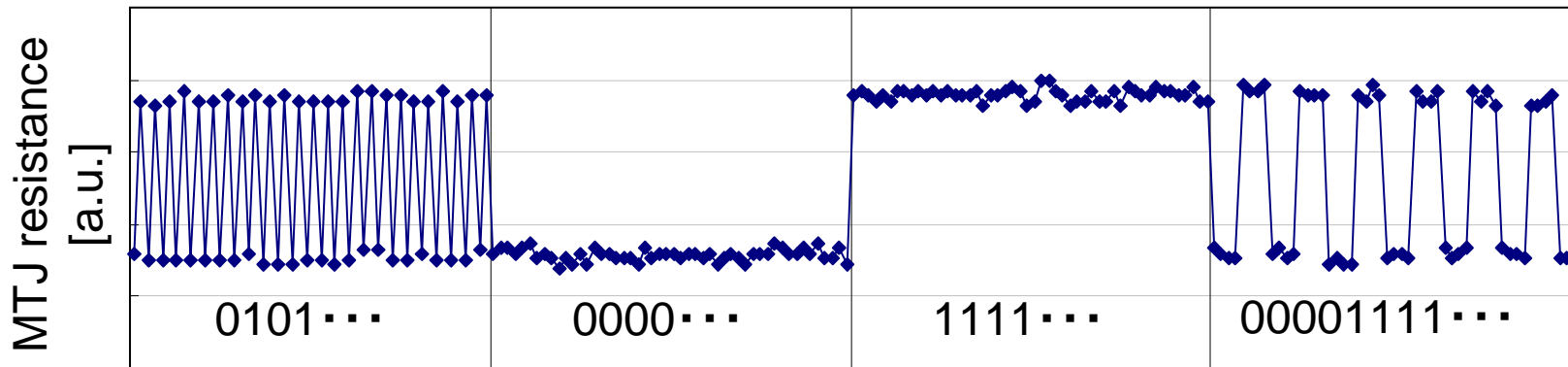
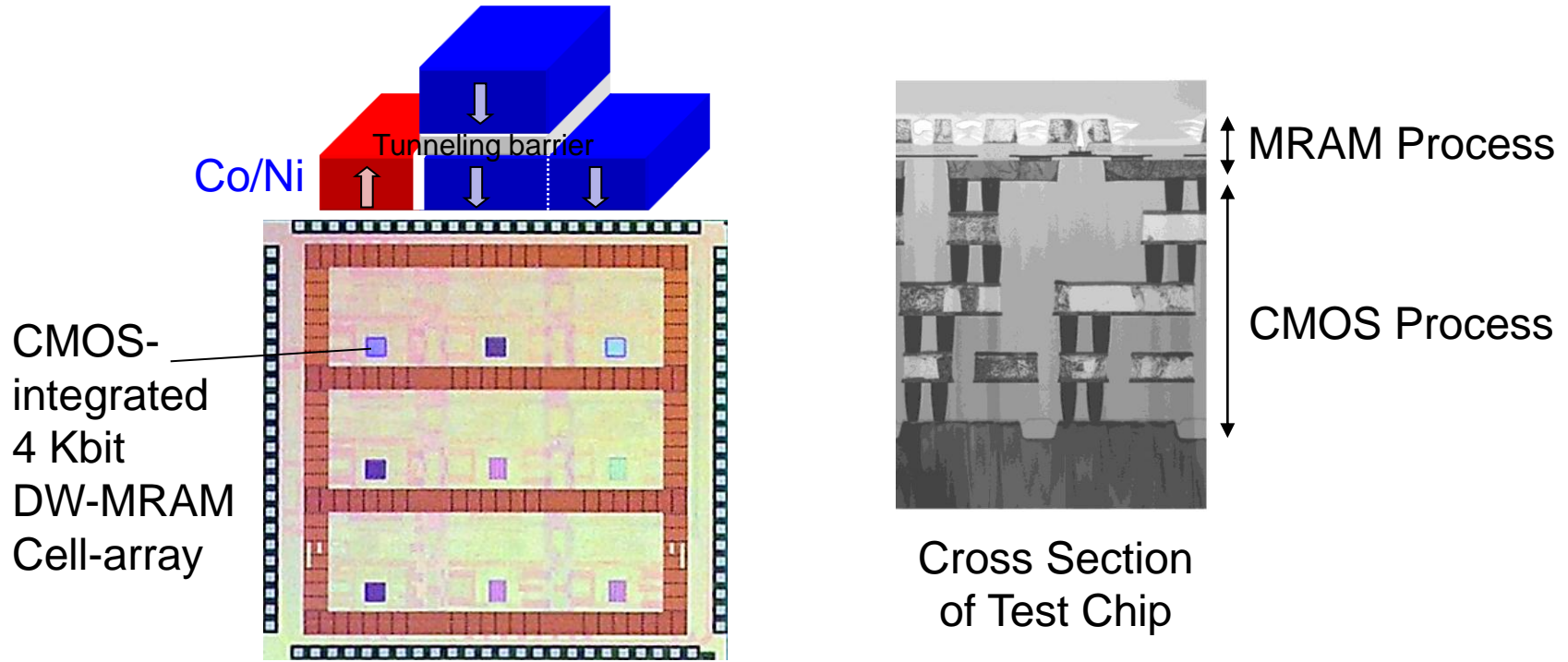
Independent circuits for reading and writing

Fast operation

Replace SRAM

NEDO Spintronics nonvolatile devices project (2007-2011)

CIDW-MRAM Array Demo (NEC)

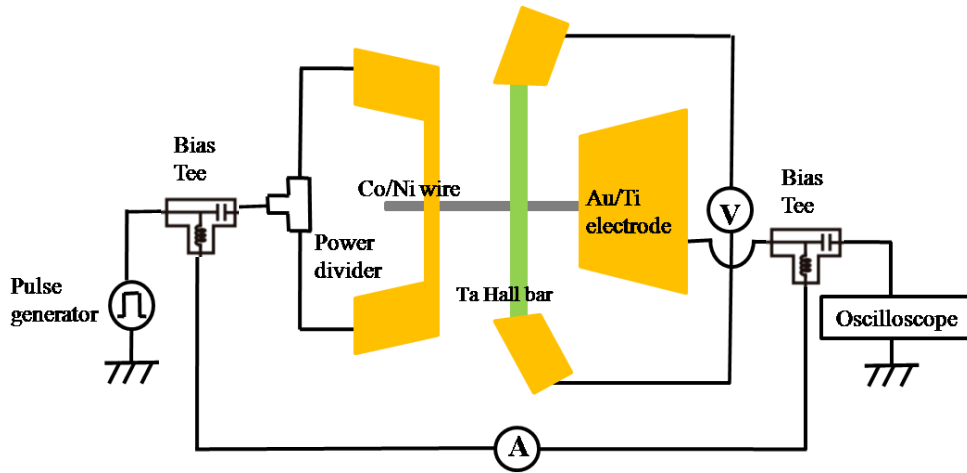


Write-Read Cycle $>10^9$

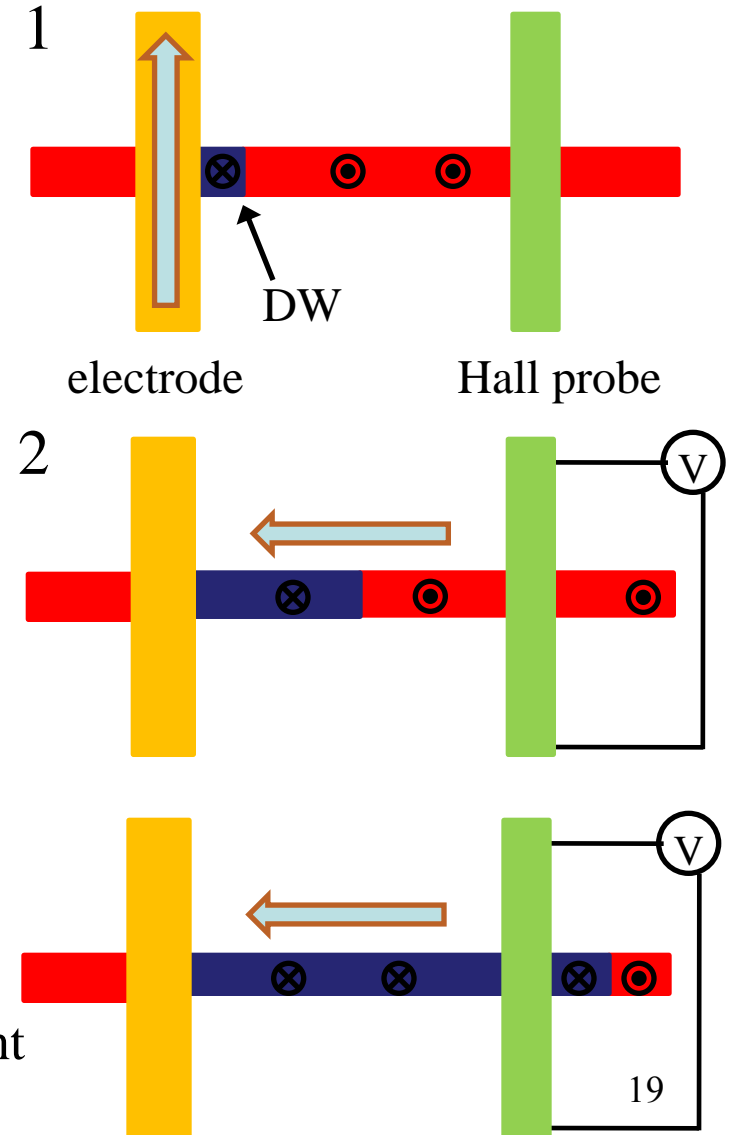
Symposium on VLSI Technology, 2009.6.17

Current-induced DW motion

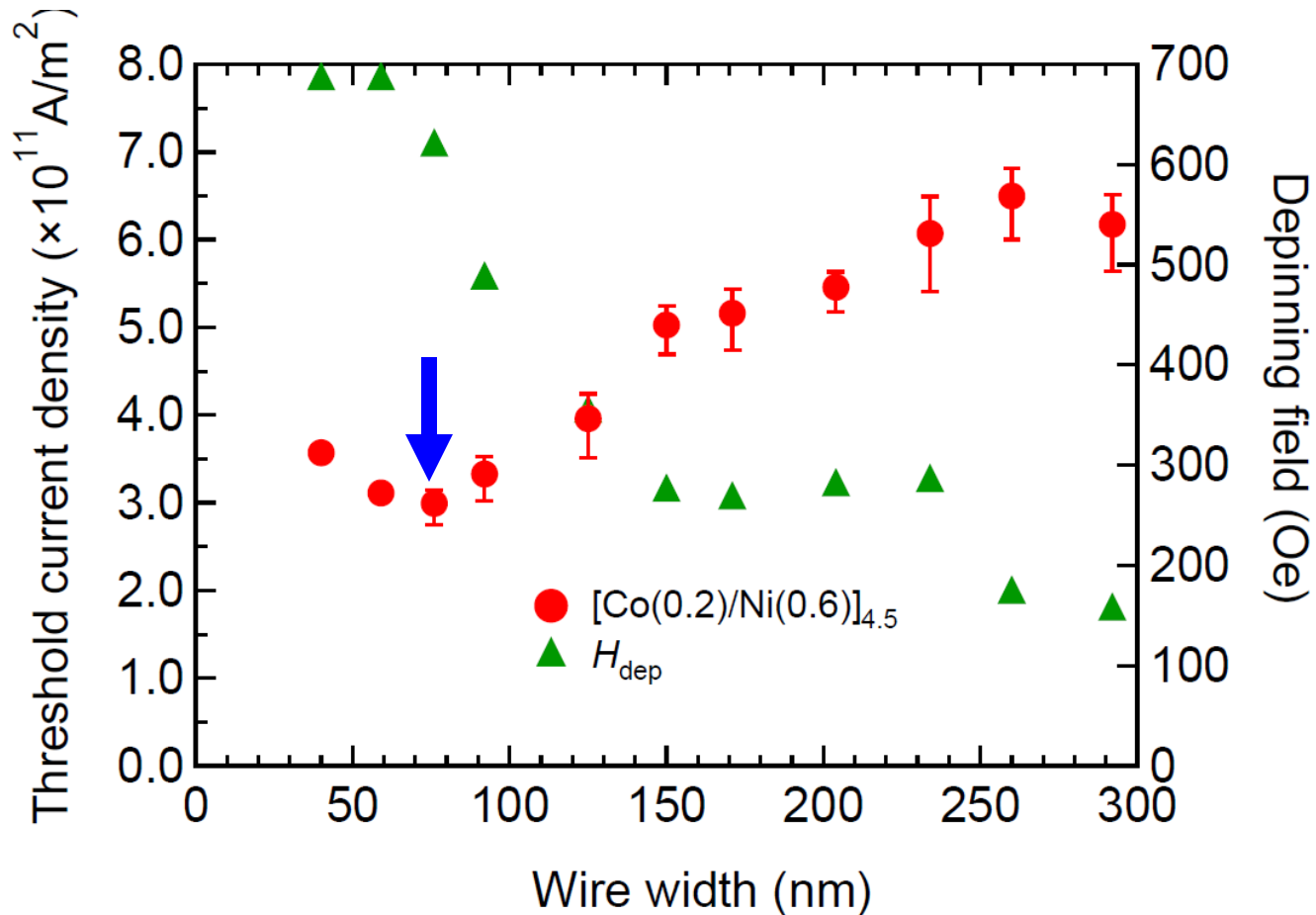
Co/Ni nanowire with perpendicular magnetization



1. DW injection by local magnetic field.
2. Current pulse application (15ns).
3. Hall measurement.
4. Continue process 2&3 until the total pulse duration reaches $1.5 \mu\text{s}$.
5. Continue process 1-4 20 times for each current density.



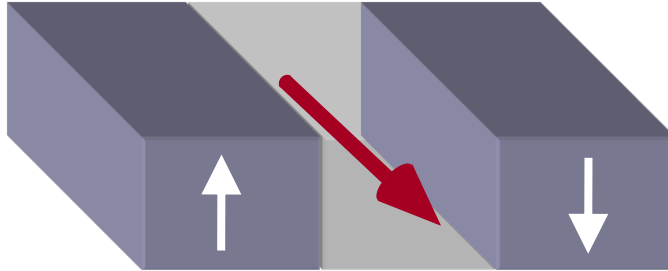
J_{th} & H_{dep} v.s. wire width



Why J_{th} minimum for specific width?

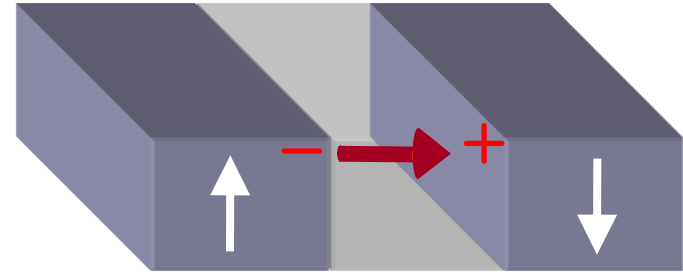
Why minimum J_c for specific dimension?

Bloch DW

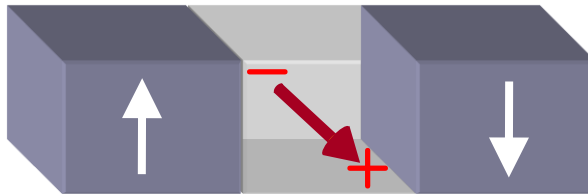


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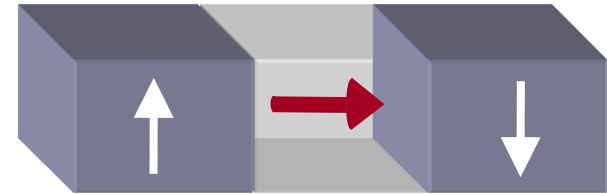
Neel DW



For current-driven DW motion,
Spin torque has to overcome the barrier of Neel wall!



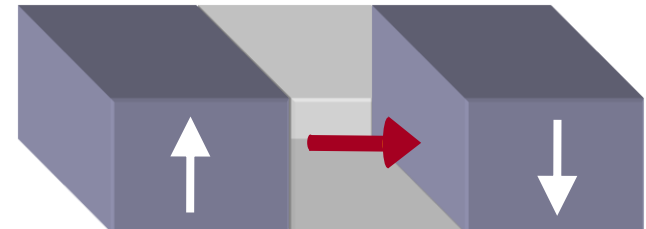
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Spin torque has to overcome the barrier of Bloch wall!

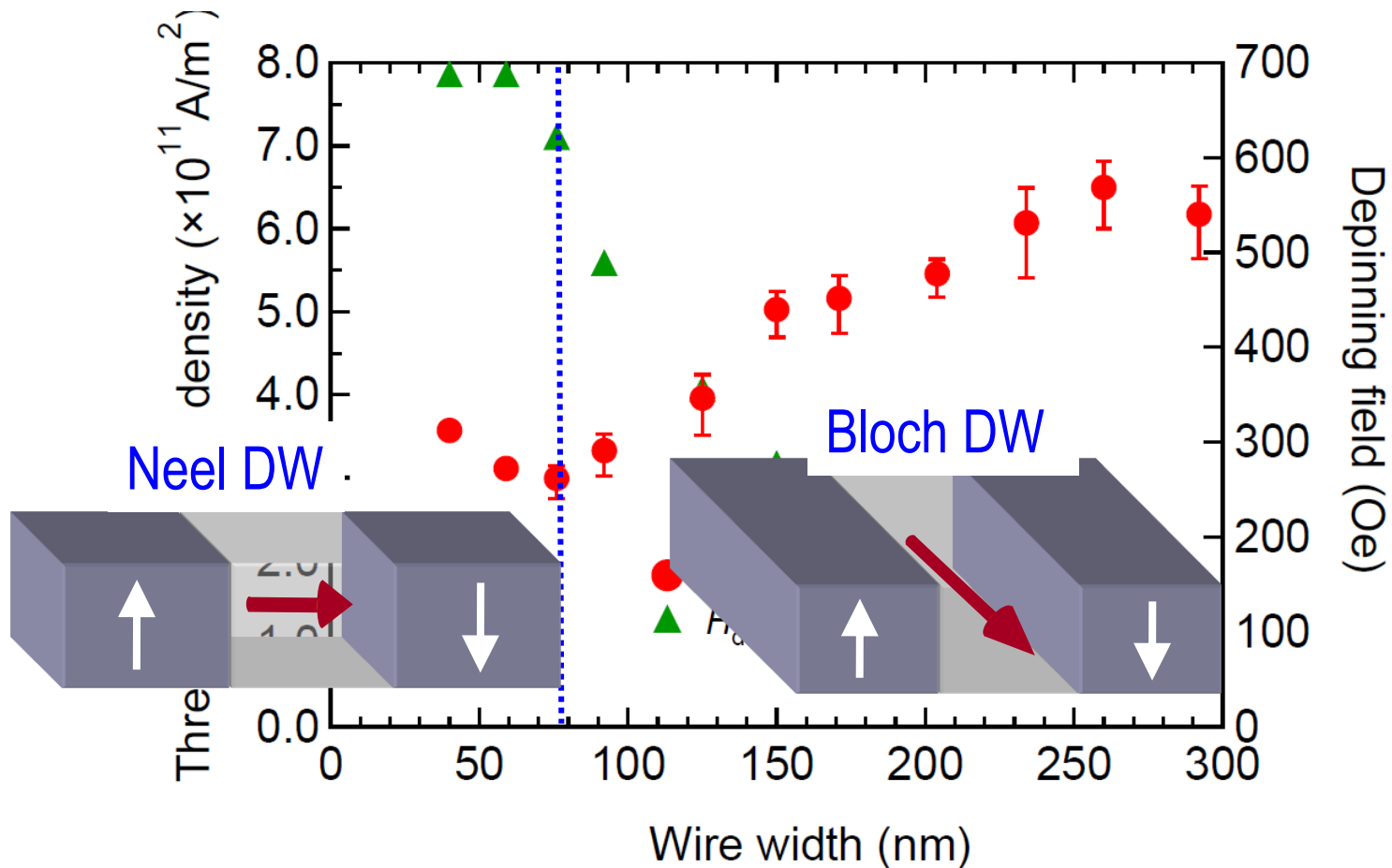


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Resulting in J_{th} minimum

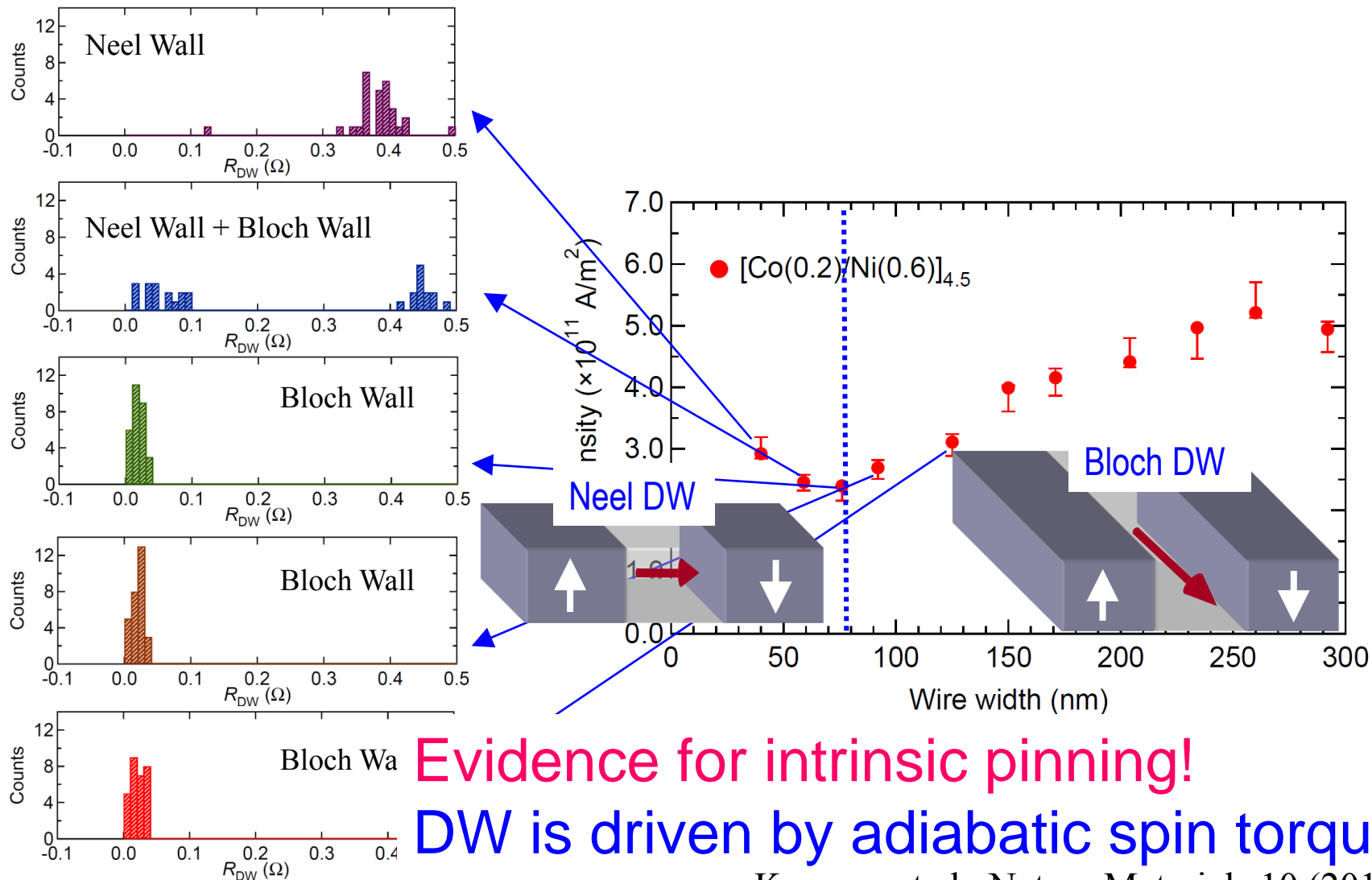
DW structure v.s. wire width



Check DW structure !

-> DW resistance measurements

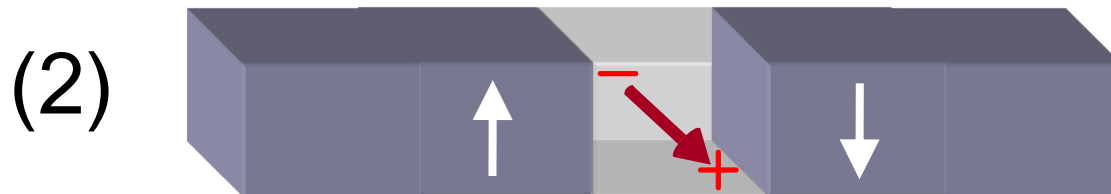
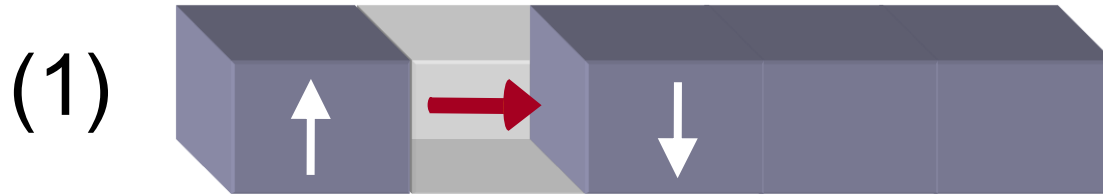
DW resistances v.s. wire width



Koyama et al., Nature Materials 10 (2011)194.

ネール磁壁とブロッホ磁壁 顕微鏡で見たいな。

Intrinsic pinning下の磁壁移動



磁壁エネルギー最大状態

この直前に電流を切ると(1)へ
直後に電流を切ると(2)へ移動



この**磁壁のステップ移動**を観察したい

Observation of CIDWM by PEEM @SPring8

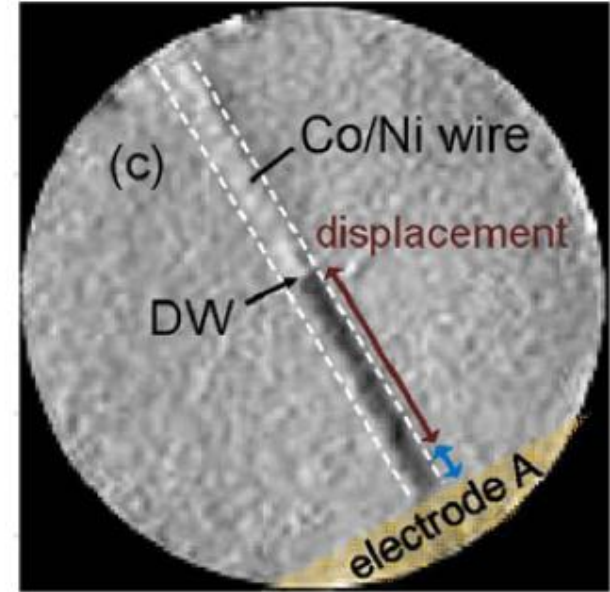
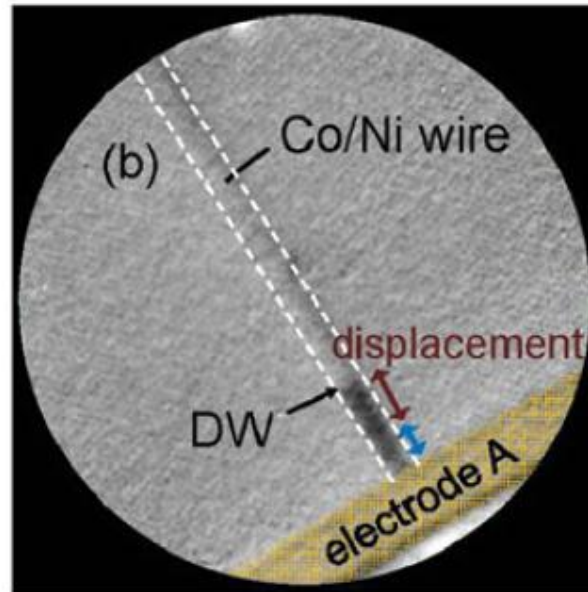
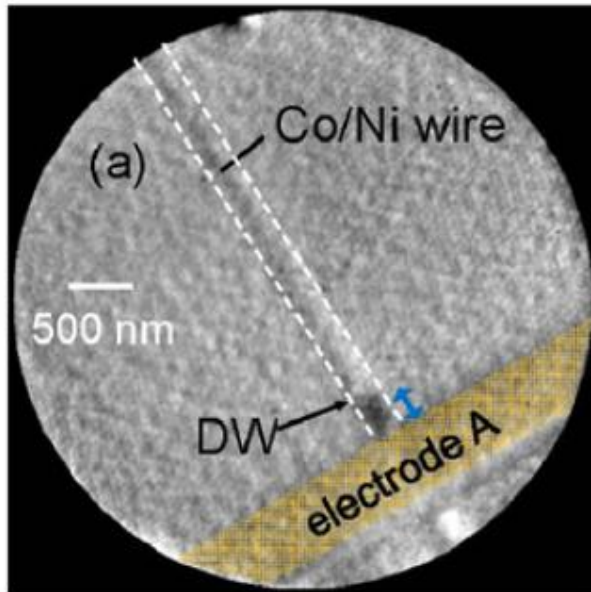
小山くん、千葉さん、大島さん、谷川さん、小嗣さん、大河内さん

N. Ohshima *et al.*, *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter* **23** (2011) 382202.

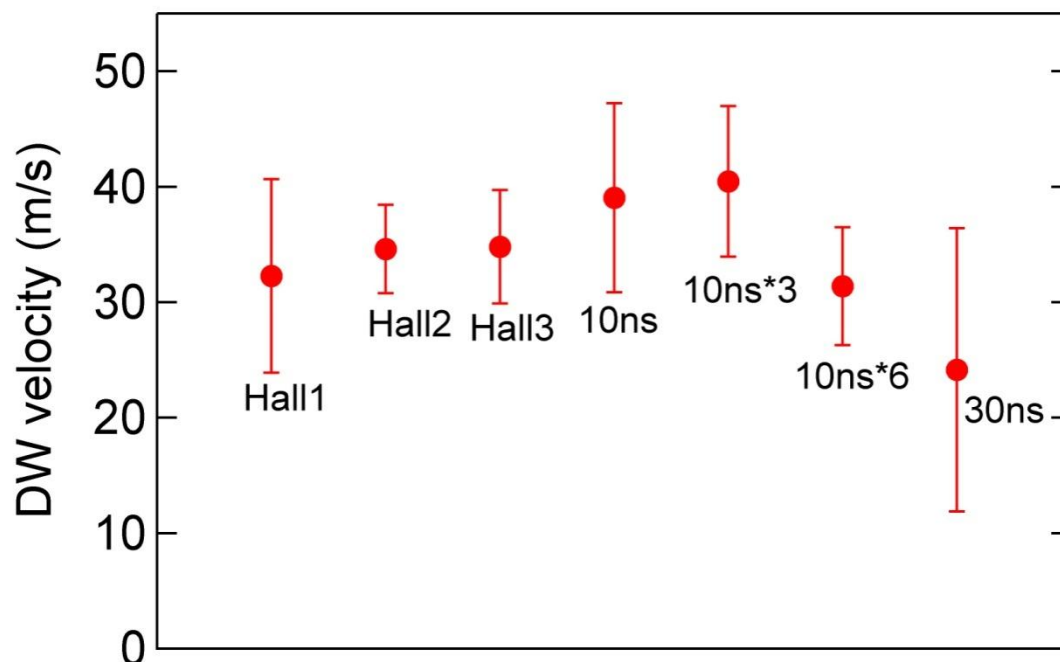
DW nucleation

$2.5 \times 10^{12} \text{ A/m}^2$ (10 ns)

$2.5 \times 10^{12} \text{ A/m}^2$ (10 ns \times 3)



磁壁移動速度の見積もり 電氣的測定と直接觀察の比較



- ✓ 10 nsのパルスを印加した場合、磁壁移動速度は約30 ~ 40 m/sである。
- ✓ 10 nsパルスによる電氣測定結果(Hall 1~3: 同一基板上の違う試料での結果)とPEEM測定結果は、ばらつきを含めておおよそ一致している。

放射光へ期待しています！

スピントロニクス素子は
20nmルール・GHz動作

- (1) nm分解能
- (2) ps分解能
- (3) 元素選択性
- (4) one shot観察