

Theoretical description of the anomalous and spin Hall effects in disordered alloys using the Coherent Potential Approximation

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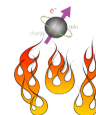
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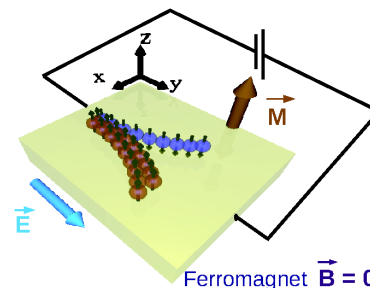
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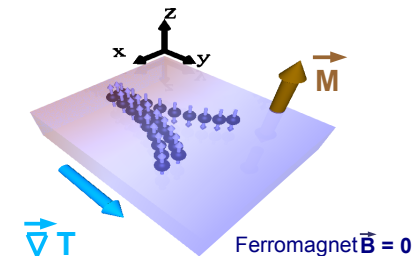
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- Electronic structure calculations
- Response to electric field
 - Anomalous Hall Effect (AHE)
 - Spin Hall Effect (SHE)
- Response to temperature gradient
 - Anomalous Nernst Effect (ANE)
 - Spin Nernst Effect (SNE)
- Summary



- Charge
 - Heat
 - Spin
- current density

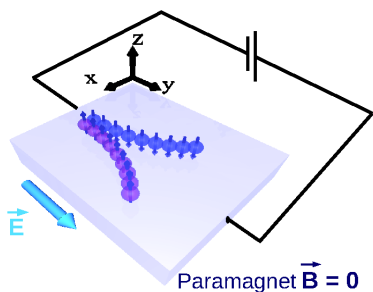


AHE

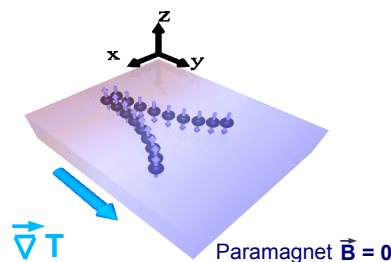


ANE

$$\begin{pmatrix} \vec{j}^c \\ \vec{j}^q \\ J^s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L^{cc} & L^{cq} & \mathcal{L}^{cs} \\ L^{qc} & L^{qq} & \mathcal{L}^{qs} \\ \mathcal{L}^{sc} & \mathcal{L}^{sq} & \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{ss} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{E} \\ -\vec{\nabla}T/T \\ F^s \end{pmatrix}$$

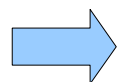


SHE

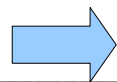


SNE

- Electric field
- Temperature gradient
- Fictitious field coupling to spin



Goal: investigation treating all microscopic contributions on equal footing on first-principles level

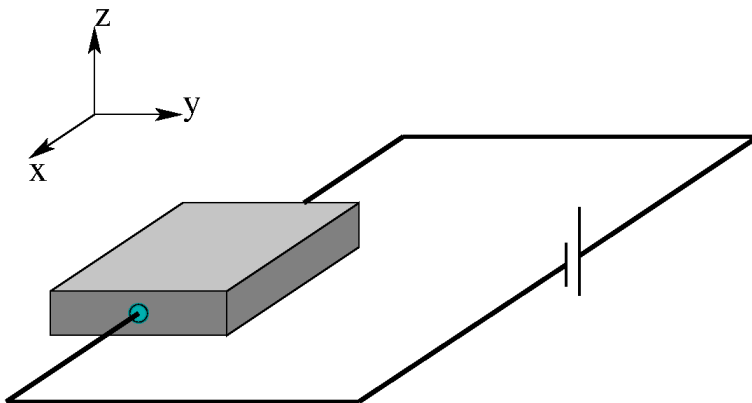


study of pure systems **and** disordered alloys



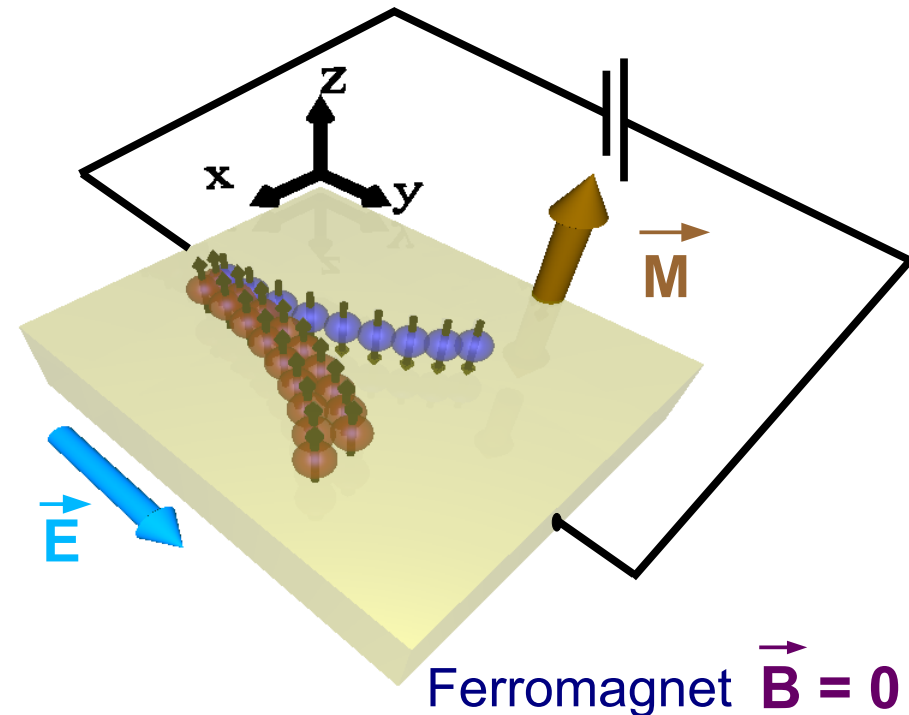
Ohm's law $\vec{j} = \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \vec{E}$

longitudinal and transverse currents



$$\begin{pmatrix} j_x \\ j_y \\ j_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{xz} \\ \sigma_{yx} & \sigma_{yy} & \sigma_{yz} \\ \sigma_{zx} & \sigma_{zy} & \sigma_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{pmatrix}$$

Anomalous Hall Effect (AHE)



Separating charge (+ spin)

Source relativistic spin-orbit interaction

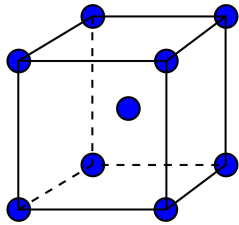


Neumann's Principle

$$\sigma = S \sigma S^\dagger \quad \forall S \in G$$

paramagnetic

$$G = m3m$$

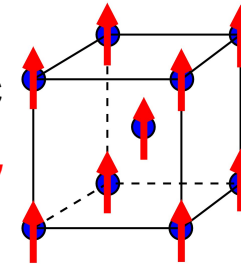


$$\underline{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma \end{pmatrix}$$

Isotropic conductivity
or resistivity

ferromagnetic

$$G = 4/m\bar{m}'m'$$



$$\underline{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & 0 \\ -\sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{xx} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

Galvano-magnetic effects
Anomalous Hall effect

$$\sigma_{xy} \text{ or } \rho_{xy}$$

Anisotropic magnetoresistance AMR

$$\frac{\Delta\rho}{\bar{\rho}} = \frac{\rho_{\parallel} - \rho_{\perp}}{\frac{1}{3}\rho_{\parallel} + \frac{2}{3}\rho_{\perp}}$$

Kleiner, PR **142**, 318 (1966)



$$\left[\frac{\hbar}{i} c \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\nabla} + \beta m c^2 + \bar{V}(\vec{r}) + \underbrace{\beta \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}_{\text{eff}}(\vec{r})}_{V_{\text{spin}}(\vec{r})} \right] \Psi(\vec{r}, E) = E \Psi(\vec{r}, E)$$

effective magnetic field

$$\vec{B}_{\text{eff}}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\delta E_{\text{xc}}[n, \vec{m}]}{\delta \vec{m}(\vec{r})}$$

is determined by the spin magnetisation $\vec{m}(\vec{r})$
within **spin density functional theory (SDFT)**

Within an atomic cell one can choose \hat{z}' to have:

$$V_{\text{spin}}(\vec{r}) = \beta \sigma_{z'} B_{\text{eff}}(r)$$



Electronic structure represented by **Green's function**

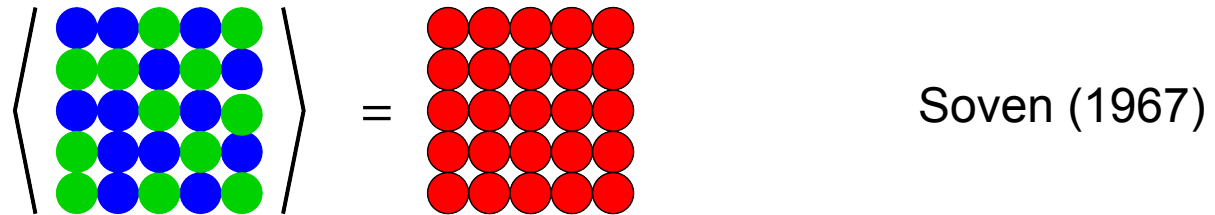
$$G^+(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', E) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \sum_i \frac{\Psi_i(\vec{r}) \Psi_i^\dagger(\vec{r}')}{E - E_i + i\epsilon}$$

Korringa-Kohn-Rostoker (KKR) method
based on multiple scattering theory

$$G^+(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', E) = \sum_{\Lambda\Lambda'} Z_\Lambda(\vec{r}, E) \tau_{\Lambda\Lambda'}^{nm}(E) Z_\Lambda^\times(\vec{r}', E) - \delta_{nm} \sum_\Lambda Z_\Lambda(\vec{r}_<, E) J_\Lambda^\times(\vec{r}_>, E)$$

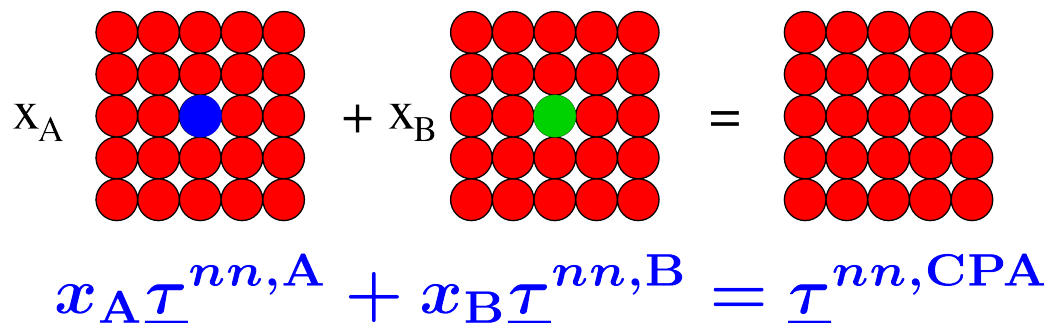
$Z(J)$ regular (irregular) solution of single-site Dirac equation
 τ scattering path operator
 $\Lambda = (\kappa, \mu)$ relativistic angular momentum quantum numbers

- effective CPA medium represents the electronic structure of an configurationally averaged substitutionally random alloy A_xB_{1-x}



- use mean field description – find best possible single-site scheme

*Embedding of an A- or B-atom into the CPA-medium
- in the average - should not give rise to additional scattering*



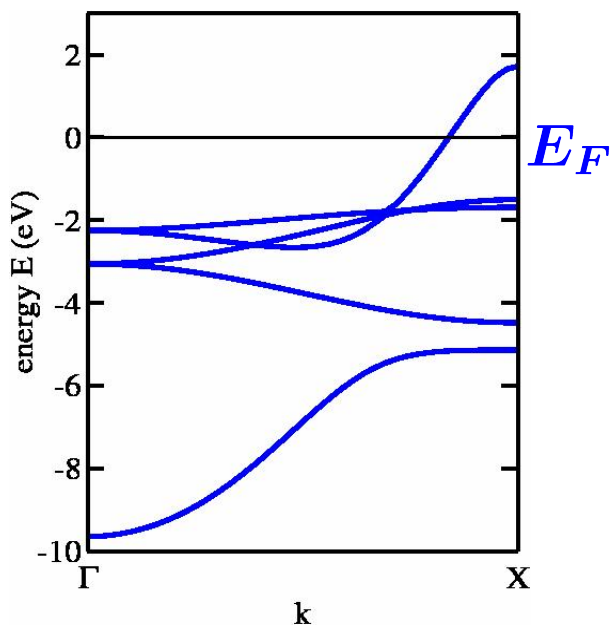
projected scattering path operator

$$\underline{\tau}^{nn,\alpha} = \underline{\tau}^{nn,CPA} \left[1 + \left(\underline{t}_{\alpha}^{-1} - \underline{t}_{CPA}^{-1} \right) \underline{\tau}^{nn,CPA} \right]^{-1}$$



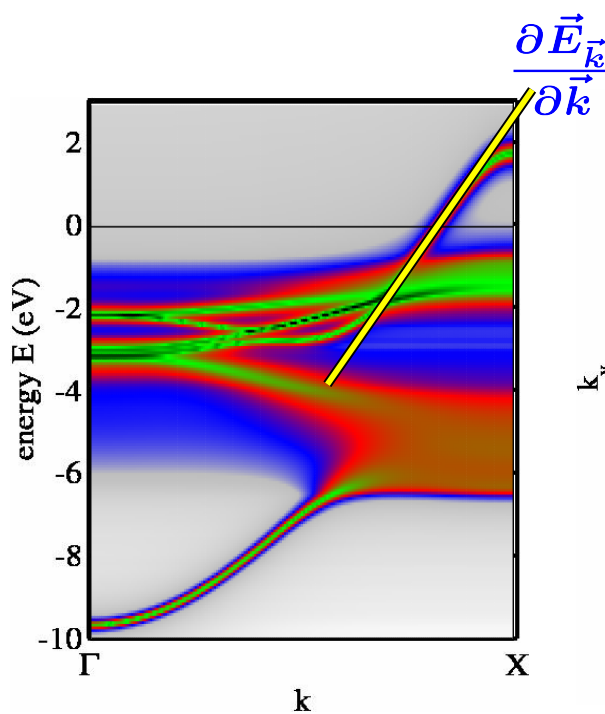
Dispersion relation
of pure Cu

\vec{k} along Γ -X



Bloch spectral function $A_B(\vec{k}, E)$
of $\text{Cu}_{0.80}\text{Pd}_{0.20}$

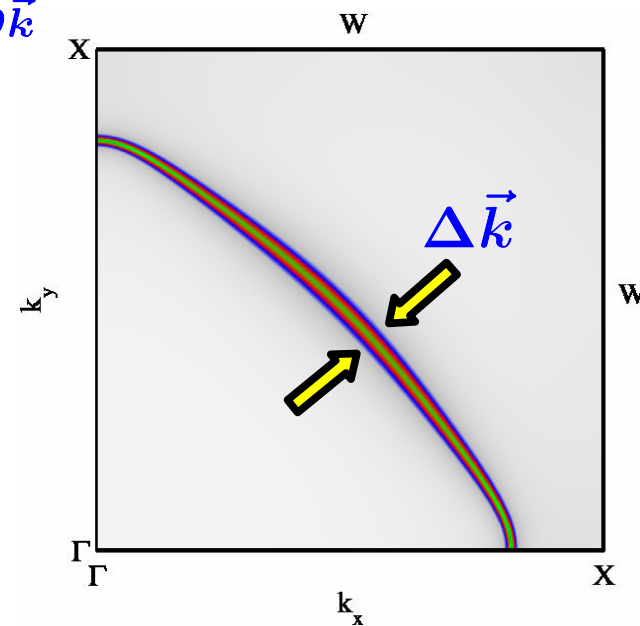
\vec{k} along Γ -X



group velocity

$$\vec{v}_{\vec{k}} = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial \vec{E}_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \vec{k}}$$

Fermi surface
in Γ -X-W-plane



life time

$$\tau_{\vec{k}} = \hbar / \Delta E_{\vec{k}}$$

$$\Delta E_{\vec{k}} = \Delta \vec{k} \frac{\partial E_{\vec{k}}}{\partial \vec{k}}$$



$$\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi\Omega} \text{Tr} \left\langle \hat{j}_\mu (G^+ - G^-) \hat{j}_\nu G^- - \hat{j}_\mu G^+ \hat{j}_\nu (G^+ - G^-) \right\rangle_c$$

$$+ \frac{|e|}{4\pi i \Omega} \text{Tr} \left\langle (G^+ - G^-) (\hat{r}_\mu \hat{j}_\nu - \hat{r}_\nu \hat{j}_\mu) \right\rangle_c$$

Smrčka and Středa, JPC **10**, 2153 (1977)

with current density operator $\hat{j}_\mu = -|e|c\alpha_\mu$

allows calculation of the full conductivity tensor

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_\perp & -\sigma_H & 0 \\ \sigma_H & \sigma_\perp & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_\parallel \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } \vec{M} \parallel \hat{z}$$

and $G = 4/mm'm'$



Implementation within KKR-CPA

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{4m^2}{\pi\hbar^3\Omega} \left\{ \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \sum_{\substack{\Lambda_1,\Lambda_2 \\ \Lambda_3,\Lambda_4}} c^\alpha c^\beta \tilde{J}_{\Lambda_4,\Lambda_1}^{\alpha\mu} \left(\underbrace{[1 - \chi\omega]^{-1}}_{\text{vertex correction}} \chi \right)_{\substack{\Lambda_1,\Lambda_2 \\ \Lambda_3,\Lambda_4}} \tilde{J}_{\Lambda_2,\Lambda_3}^{\beta\nu} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{\substack{\Lambda_1,\Lambda_2 \\ \Lambda_3,\Lambda_4}} c^\alpha \tilde{J}_{\Lambda_4,\Lambda_1}^{\alpha\mu} \tau_{\Lambda_1,\Lambda_2}^{\text{CPA},00} J_{\Lambda_2,\Lambda_3}^{\alpha\nu} \tau_{\Lambda_3,\Lambda_4}^{\text{CPA},00} \right\}$$

$$\Lambda = (\kappa, \mu)$$

relativistic quantum numbers

Vertex corrections (VC)

$$\langle jG \rangle \langle jG \rangle \rightarrow \langle jGjG \rangle$$

account for
scattering-in processes

Butler, PRB **31**, 3260 (1985) (non-relativistic)
 Banhart *et al.*, SSC **77**, 107 (1991) (fully-relativistic)
 Turek *et al.*, PRB **65**, 125101 (2002) (LMTO-CPA)

See also: Velicky, PR **184**, 614 (1969)



Kubo-Greenwood equation within KKR-CPA

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{\mu\nu}^1 = \frac{-4m^2}{\pi\hbar^3\Omega} \sum_{\alpha,\beta} c^\alpha c^\beta \sum_{K,K'} \tilde{J}_K^{\alpha\mu} \left([1 - \chi w]^{-1} \chi \right)_{KK'} \tilde{J}_{K'}^{\beta\nu}$$

Neglecting **the vertex corrections** gives

Boltzmann equation without scattering-in term

$$\sigma_{\mu\nu}^{\text{NVC}}(\epsilon) = \frac{e^2}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\epsilon} \frac{dS_{\vec{k}}}{\hbar v_{\vec{k}}} v_{\vec{k}}^\mu v_{\vec{k}}^\nu \tau_{\vec{k}}^B$$

Boltzmann equation including scattering-in term

$$\sigma_{\mu\nu}(\epsilon_F) = e^2 \sum_{\vec{k},\vec{k}'} v_{\vec{k}}^\mu [1 - \tau_{\vec{k}\vec{k}'}^B P]^{-1} v_{\vec{k}'}^\nu \tau_{\vec{k}'}^B \delta(\epsilon_F - \epsilon_{\vec{k}'})$$

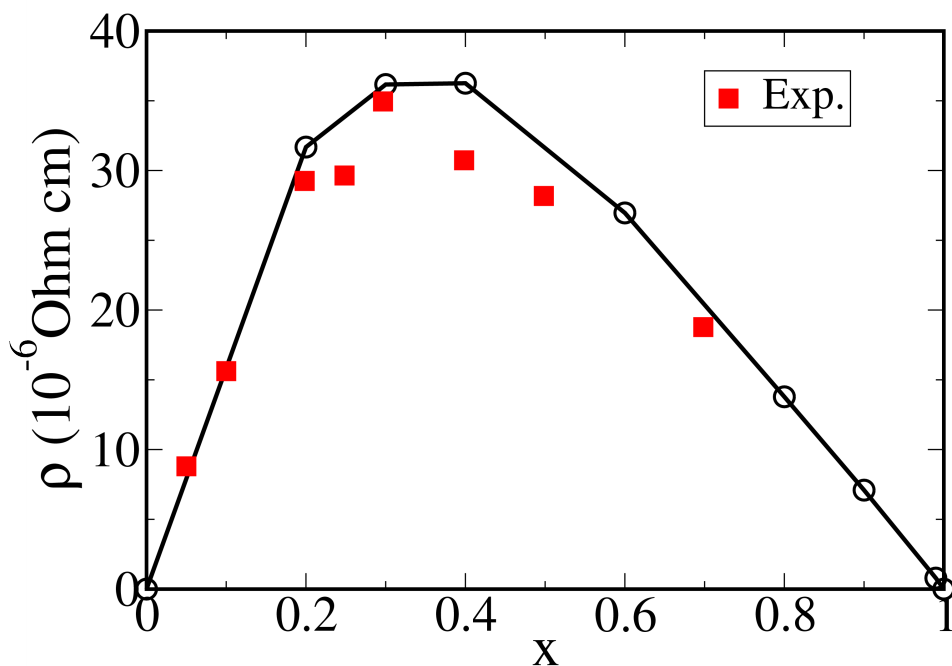
Inverse lifetime $(\tau_{\vec{k}}^B)^{-1} = \sum_{\vec{k}'} P_{\vec{k}\vec{k}'}$

Butler, PRB **31**, 3260 (1985)



Isotropic residual resistivity

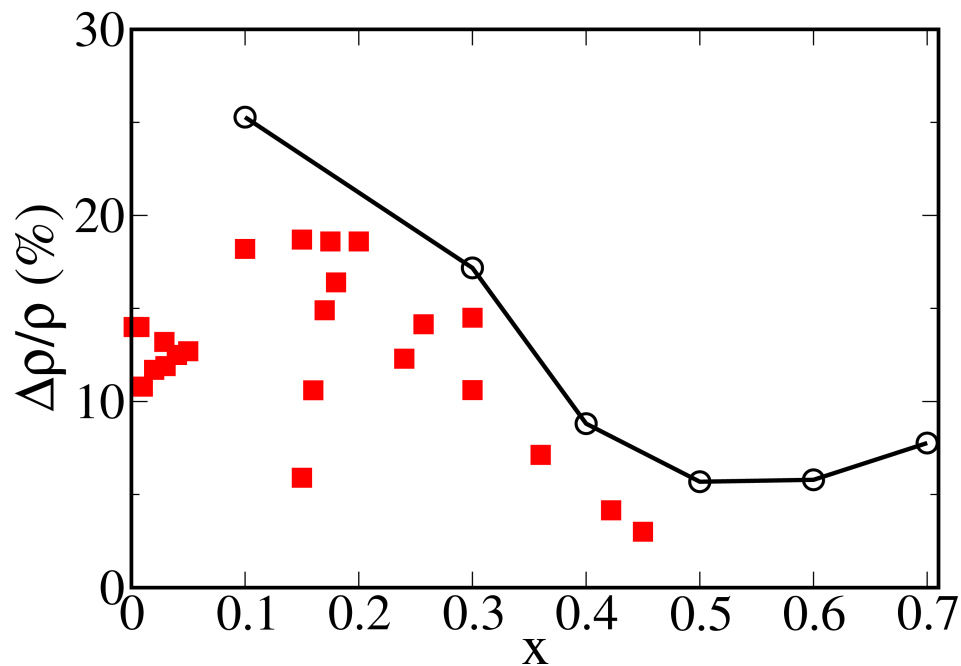
$$\rho = \frac{1}{3}\rho_{\parallel} + \frac{2}{3}\rho_{\perp}$$



see also:
Ebert *et al.*, PRB **54**, 8479 (1996)

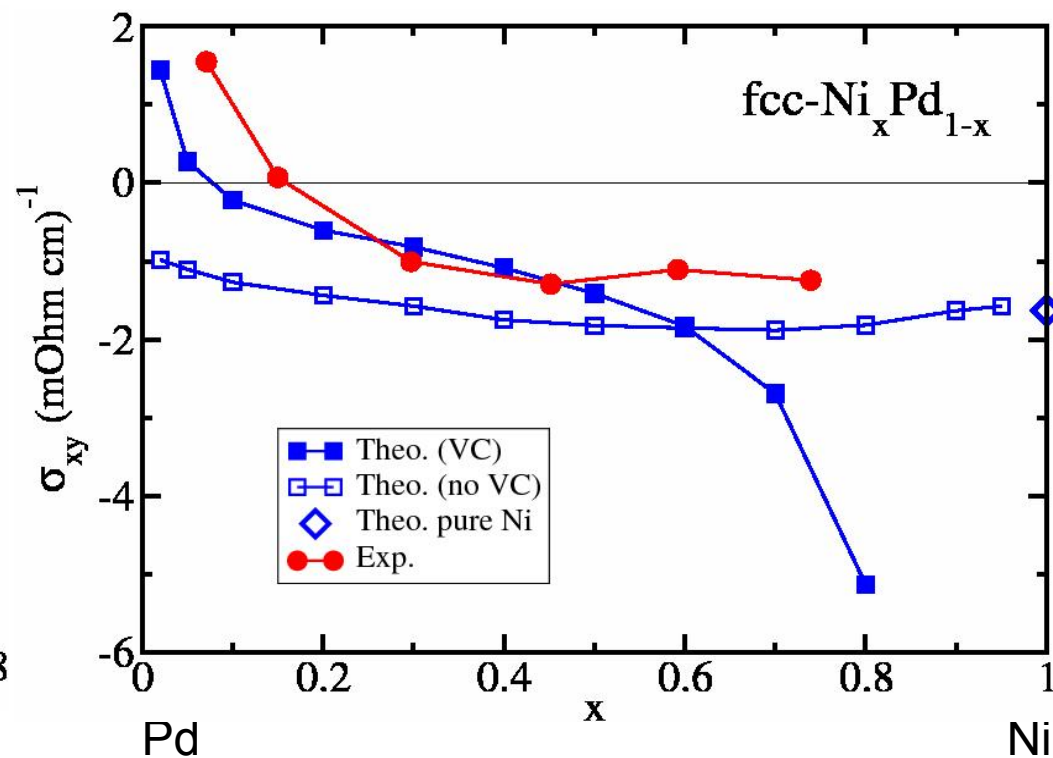
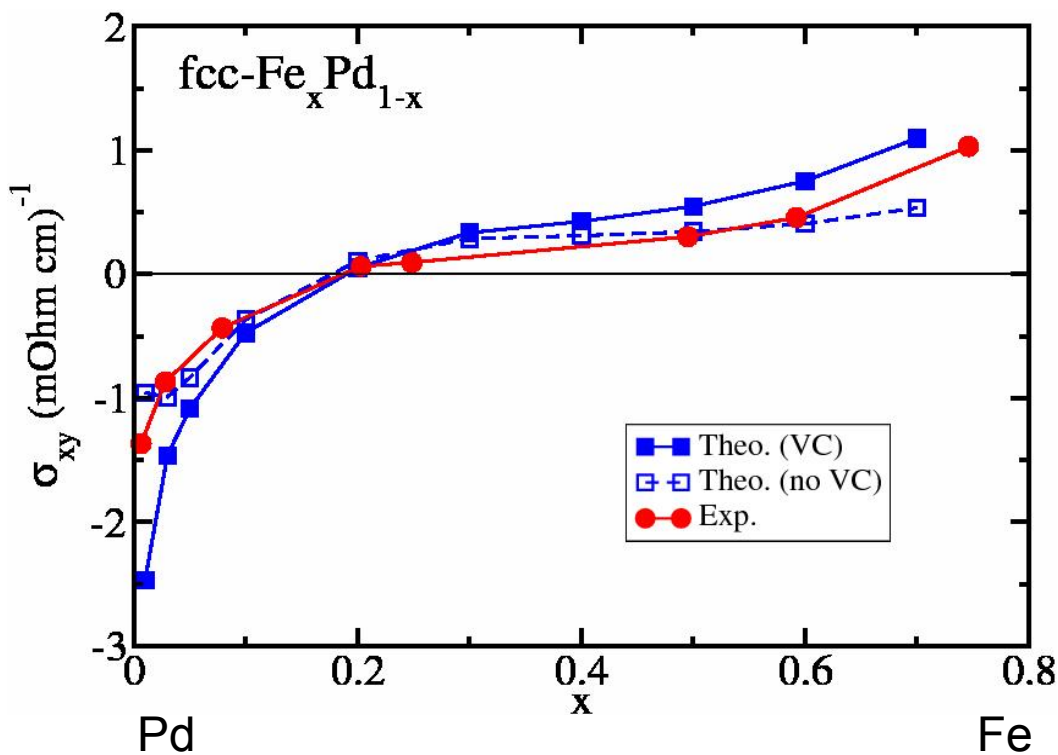
Anisotropic magnetoresistance AMR

$$\frac{\Delta\rho}{\rho} = \frac{\rho_{\parallel} - \rho_{\perp}}{\frac{1}{3}\rho_{\parallel} + \frac{2}{3}\rho_{\perp}}$$



see also :
Banhart *et al.*, PRB **56**, 10165 (1997)
Khmelevskiy *et al.*, PRB **68**, 012402 (2003)
Turek *et al.*, JPCS **200**, 052029 (2010)
& PRB **86**, 014405 (2012)

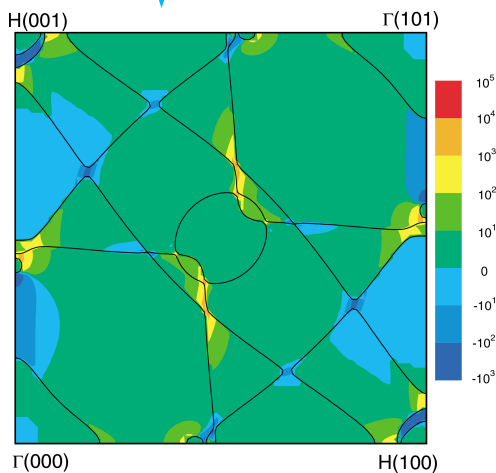
KKR-CPA results based on Kubo-Středa equation



Expt.: Matveev *et al.*, Fiz. Met. Metalloved **53**, 34 (1982)
 Theo.: Lowitzer *et al.*, PRL **105**, 266604 (2010)



$\sigma_{xy} (\Omega\text{cm})^{-1}$	bcc Fe	fcc Ni	hcp Co	
SPR-KKR, LSDA	685	-2062	325	Kubo-Středa
SPR-KKR, LSDA+U	703	-1092	390	
Roman et al. (2009)			481	Berry curvature
Yao et al. (2004)	751	-2073	492	
Wang et al. (2007)	753	-2203	477	
Dheer (1967)	1032			Experiment
Lavine (1961)		-646 (RT)		
Ye et al. (2012)		-1100 (5 K)		
Volkenshtein (1961)			813	
Miyasato et al. (2007)			480	



Fe

Intrinsic Hall conductivity in terms of the Berry curvature

$$\sigma_{xy}^{\text{intr}} = -e^2 \hbar \sum_n \int_{\text{BZ}} \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} f_n \Omega_n(\mathbf{k})$$

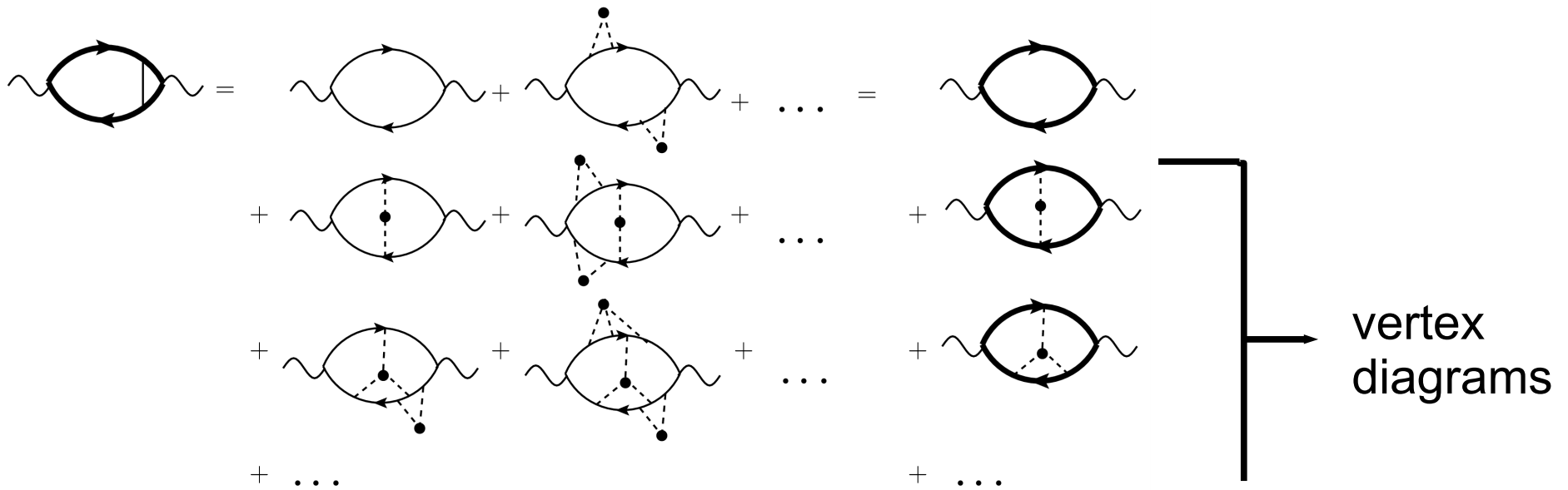
$$\Omega_n(\mathbf{k}) = - \sum_{n' \neq n} \frac{2\Im \langle \psi_{n\mathbf{k}} | v_x | \psi_{n'\mathbf{k}} \rangle \langle \psi_{n'\mathbf{k}} | v_y | \psi_{n\mathbf{k}} \rangle}{(E_{n'} - E_n)^2}$$

Equivalence of Kubo and Berry curvature formulation
See e.g. Naito *et al.*, PRB **81** 195111 (2010)

Yao *et al.*, PRL **92**, 037204 (2004)



$$\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{e^2 \hbar}{2\pi V} \text{Tr} \left\langle \hat{j}_\mu G^+ [1 + \dots] \hat{j}_\nu G^- [1 + \dots] \right\rangle_c$$



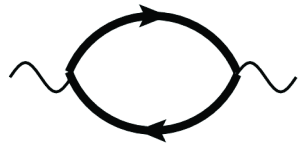
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extrinsic

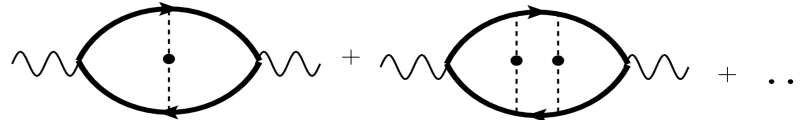
scaling

$$\rho_{xx} \propto x$$

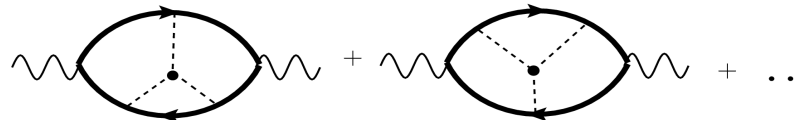
$$\rho_{xy}^{sj} \propto x^2$$



side-jump
scattering



skew
scattering



$$\rho_{xy}^{skew} \propto x - 3x^2$$

Crepieux *et al.*, PRB **64**, 014416 (2001)



Superclean limit
skew scattering should dominate with

$$\sigma_{xy}^{\text{skew}} = \sigma_{xx} S \quad S : \text{skewness factor}$$

decomposition of σ_{xy}

$$\sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{xx} S + \sigma_{xy}^{\text{sj}} + \sigma_{xy}^{\text{intr}}$$

For diluted alloys with concentration x as implicit parameter

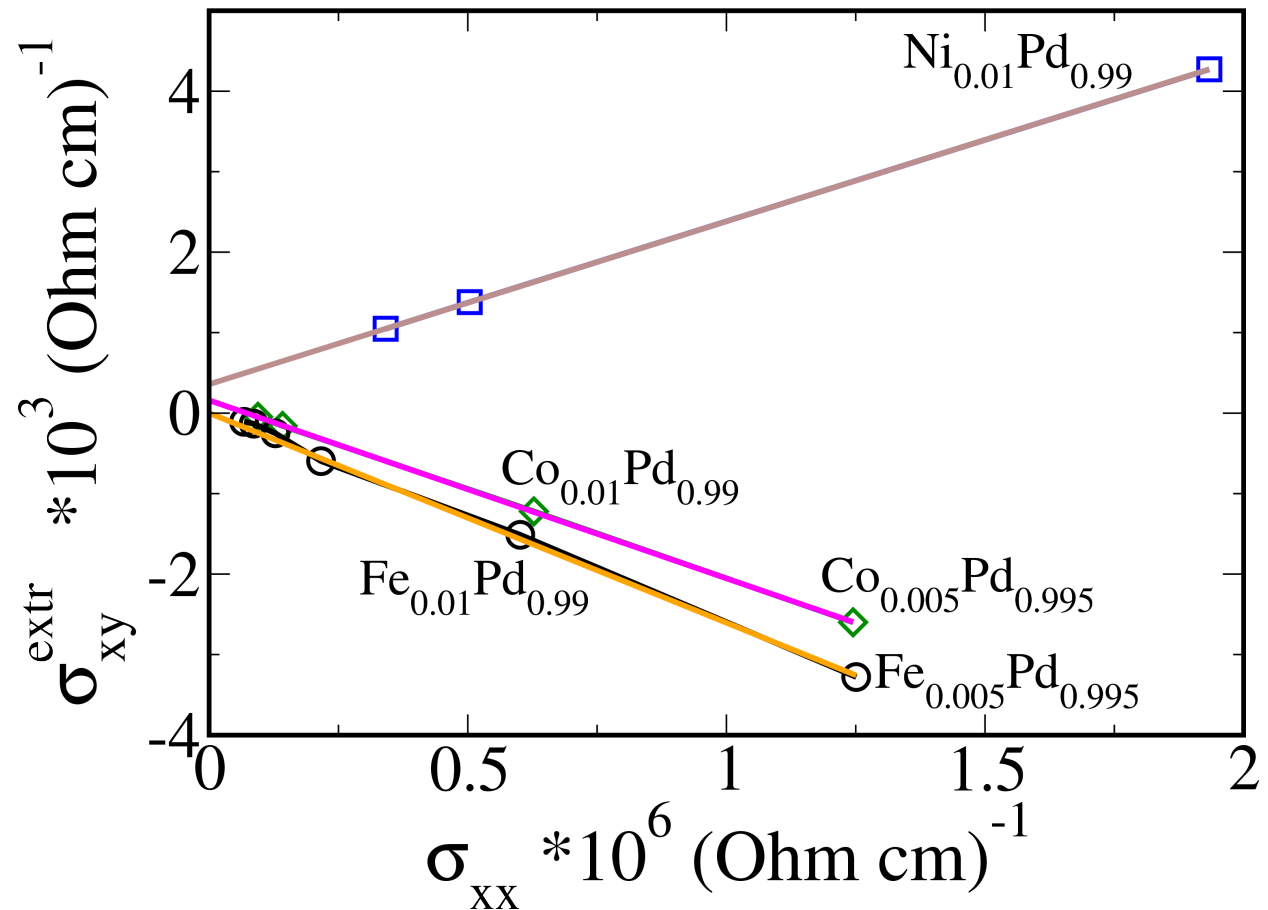
$$\sigma_{xy}^{\text{sj}} + \sigma_{xy}^{\text{intr}} \approx \text{const}$$

Onoda *et al.*, PRB **77**, 165103 (2008) , Crepieux *et al.*, PRB **64**, 014416 (2001)



KKR-CPA results based on Kubo-Středa equation

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{xy}^{\text{extr}} &= \sigma_{xy}^{\text{skew}} + \sigma_{xy}^{\text{sj}} \\ &= \sigma_{xx} S + \sigma_{xy}^{\text{sj}}\end{aligned}$$



⇒ side-jump contribution is negligible **for these systems**



Kubo-Středa linear response

any system

Boltzmann

dilute alloys

Berry curvature

pure systems

longitudinal



longitudinal



Decomposition

transverse



transverse



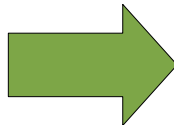
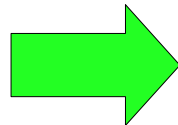
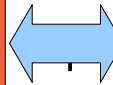
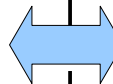
scaling laws



vertex corrections



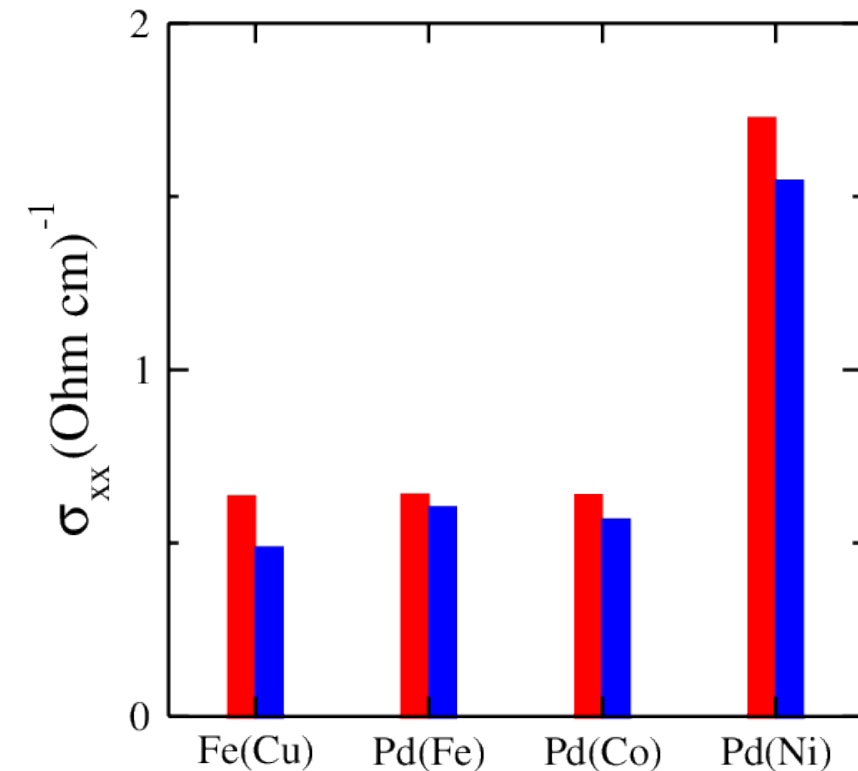
scattering-in terms





Comparison of results for diluted alloys (1%)

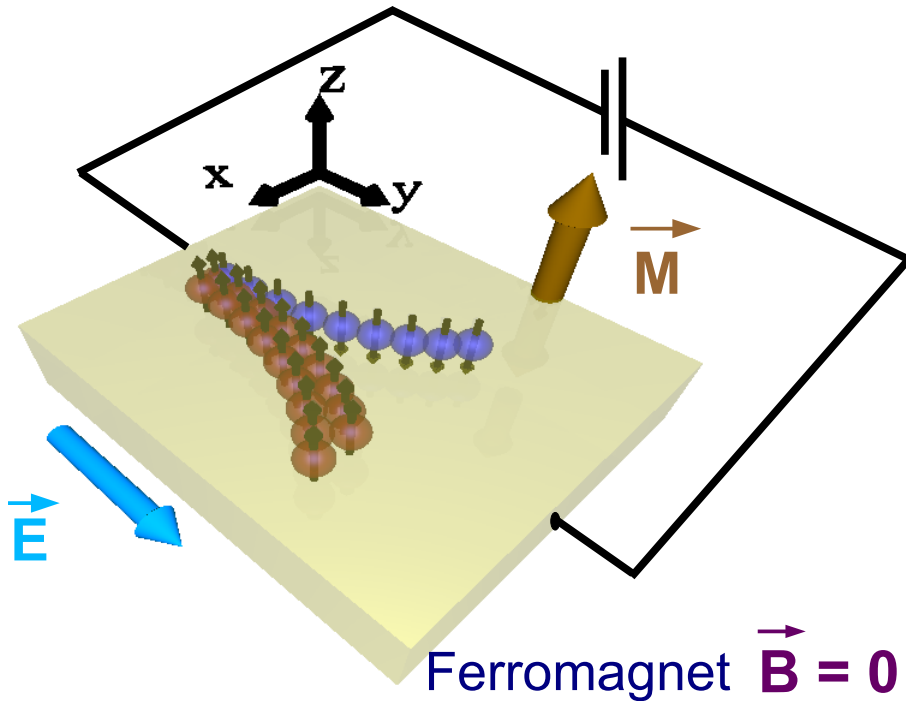
longitudinal conductivity σ_{xx}



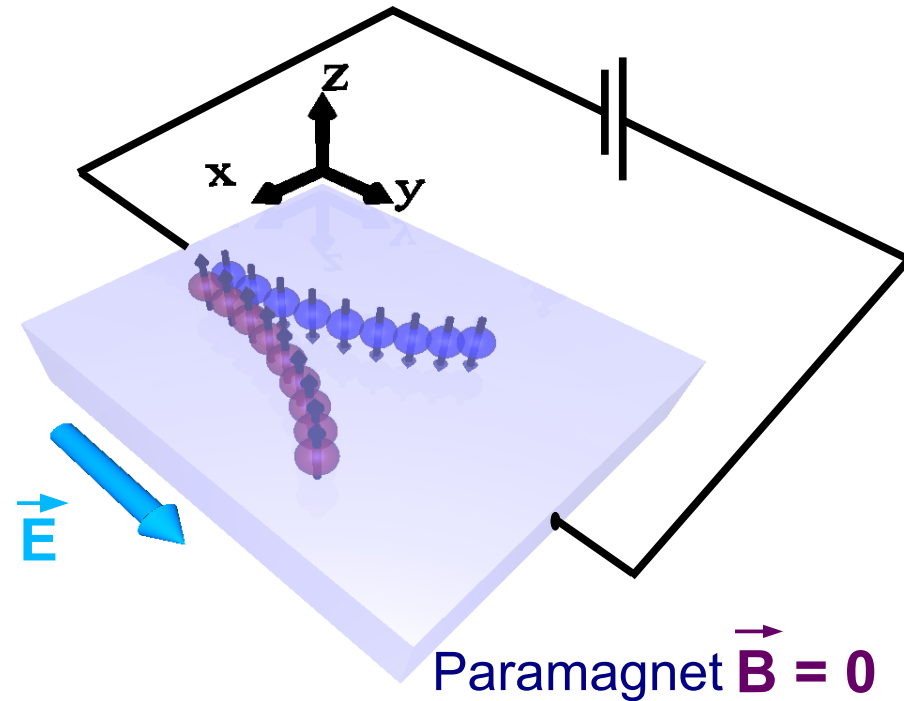
Boltzmann-based calculations:
Gradhand, Fedorov, Mertig, unpublished (2013)

PRELIMINARY RESULTS !

Anomalous Hall Effect (AHE)



Spin Hall Effect (SHE)



Separating charge (+ spin)

spin

Source in both cases **relativistic** spin-orbit interaction



“Spintronics without magnetism”



$$\sigma_{\mu\nu}^z = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi N\Omega} \text{Tr} \left\langle \hat{J}_\mu^z (G^+ - G^-) \hat{j}_\nu G^- - \hat{J}_\mu^z G^+ \hat{j}_\nu (G^+ - G^-) \right\rangle_c$$

$$+ \frac{e}{4\pi i N\Omega} \text{Tr} \left\langle (G^+ - G^-) (\hat{r}_\mu \hat{J}_\nu^z - \hat{r}_\nu \hat{J}_\mu^z) \right\rangle_c$$

with current density operator

charge $\hat{j}_\mu = -|e|c\alpha_\mu$

spin $\hat{J}_\mu^z = c\alpha_\mu T_z$

Lowitzer *et al.*, PRB **82**, 140402(R) (2010)

Lowitzer *et al.*, PRL **106**, 056601 (2011)

spin polarization four-vector \mathcal{T} for particle in field $\vec{T} = \beta\vec{\Sigma} - \frac{1}{mc}\gamma_5\vec{\Pi}$

$$T_4 = \frac{i}{mc}\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{\Pi}$$

with kinetic momentum $\vec{\Pi} = \frac{\hbar}{i}\vec{\nabla} - \frac{e}{c}\vec{A}$

based on:

[1] Bargmann & Wigner, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. **34**, 211 (1948)

[2] Vernes *et al.*, PRB **76**, 012408 (2007)



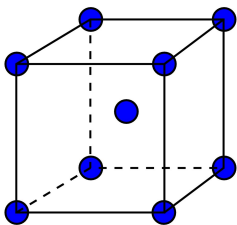
Extension of Kleiner's scheme

unitary symmetry operation

anti-unitary symmetry operation

paramagnetic

$$G = m3m$$



$$\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{xy}^z \\ 0 & -\sigma_{xy}^z & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\sigma_{xy}^z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \sigma_{xy}^z & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_{xy}^z & 0 \\ -\sigma_{xy}^z & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

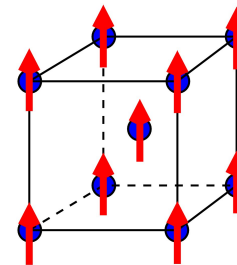
Kleiner, PR **142**, 318 (1966)

$$\sigma_{ij}^k = \sum_{lmn} D(P_R)_{li} D(P_R)_{mj} D(P_R)_{nk} \sigma_{lm}^n$$

$$\sigma_{ij}^k = - \sum_{lmn} D(P_R)_{li} D(P_R)_{mj} D(P_R)_{nk} \sigma_{lm}^n$$

ferromagnetic

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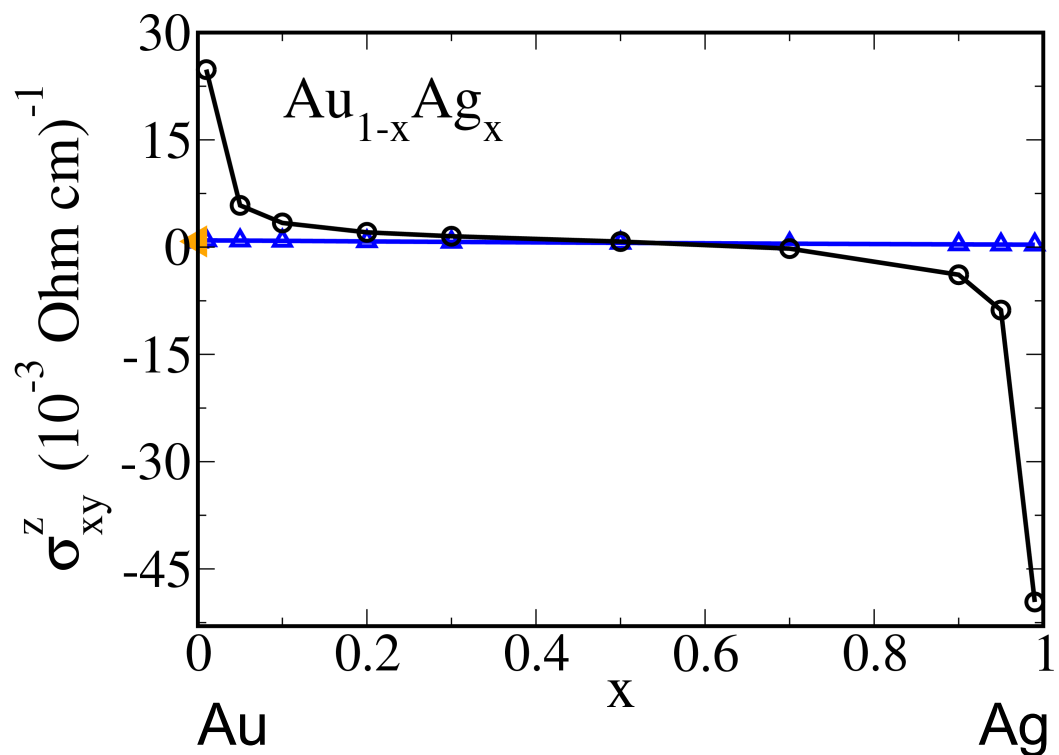
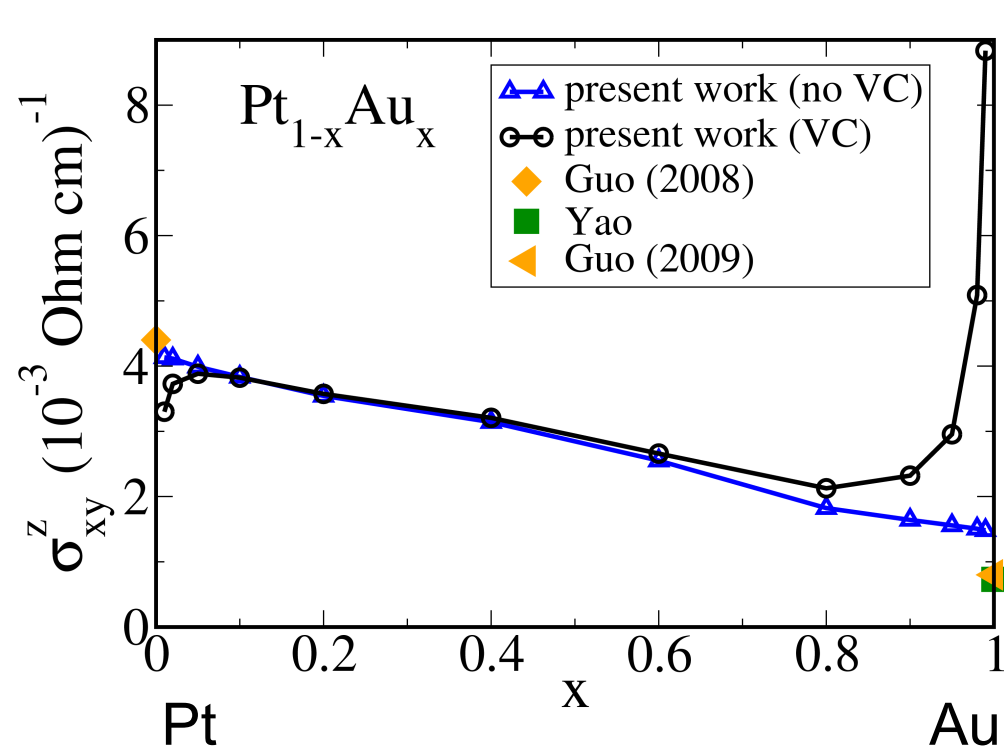
$$\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \sigma_{xz}^x \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{yz}^x \\ \sigma_{zx}^x & \sigma_{zy}^x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\sigma_{yz}^x \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{xz}^x \\ -\sigma_{zy}^x & \sigma_{zx}^x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^z & \sigma_{xy}^z & 0 \\ -\sigma_{xy}^z & \sigma_{xx}^z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{zz}^z \end{pmatrix}$$



KKR-CPA results based on Kubo-Středa equation



Lowitzer et al., PRL 106, 056601 (2011)

Guo et al., PRL 100, 096401 (2008)

Guo, JAP 105, 07C701 (2009)

Yao et al., PRL 95, 156601 (2005)

} intrinsic SHE of pure elements



Ansatz in analogy to AHE

$$\sigma_{xy}^z = \sigma_{xx} S + \sigma_{xy}^{z,sj} + \sigma_{xy}^{z,intr}$$

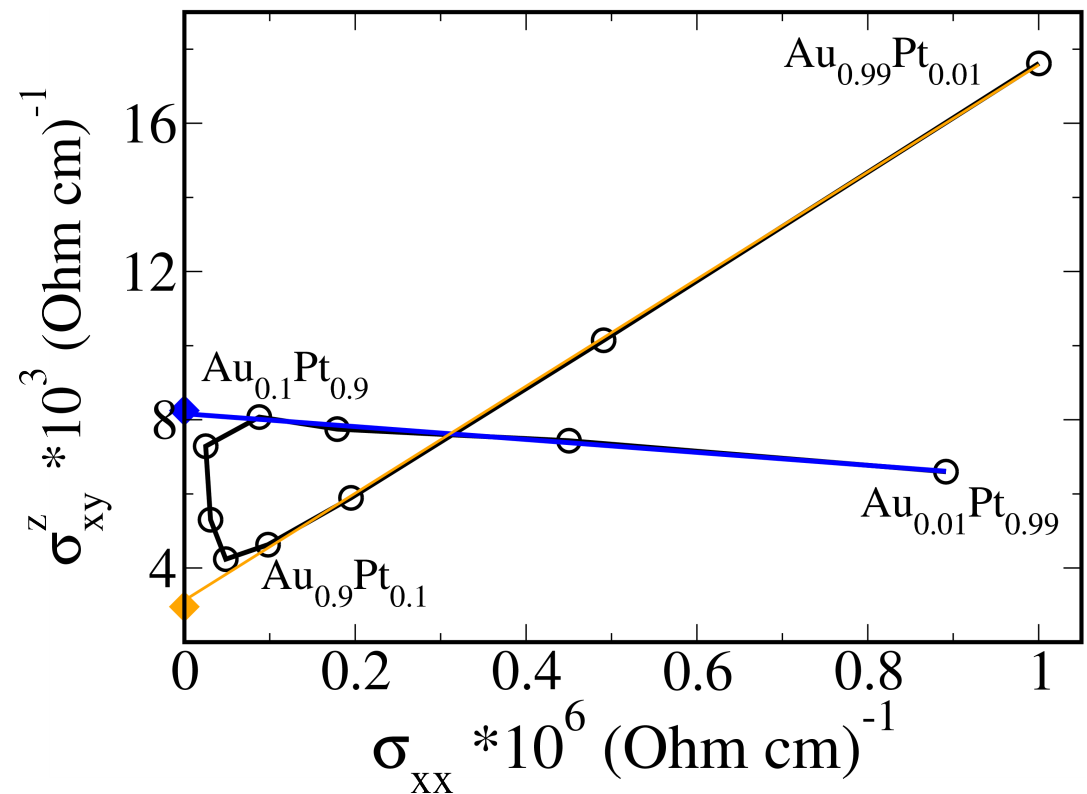
linear relation on both sides of
alloy system for composition

$$x_{Au}(x_{Pt}) \leq 0.1$$

Extrapolation to $\sigma_{xx} \rightarrow 0$

$$\sigma_{xy}^z = \sigma_{xy}^{z,sj} + \sigma_{xy}^{z,intr}$$

KKR-CPA results for $Au_{1-x}Pt_x$





Kubo-Středa linear response

any system

Boltzmann

dilute alloys

Berry curvature

pure systems

longitudinal



longitudinal



Decomposition

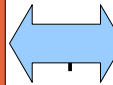
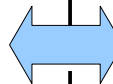
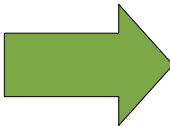
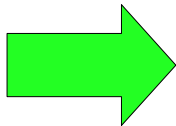
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scaling laws



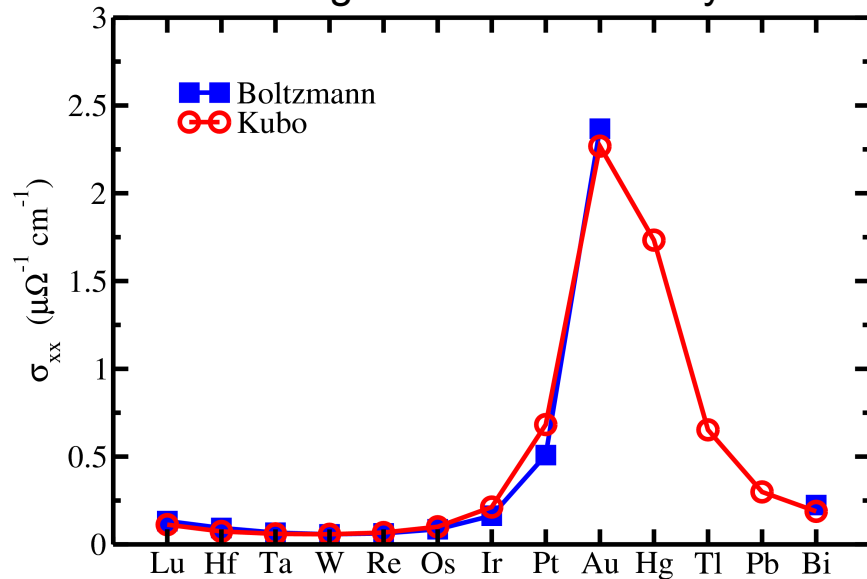
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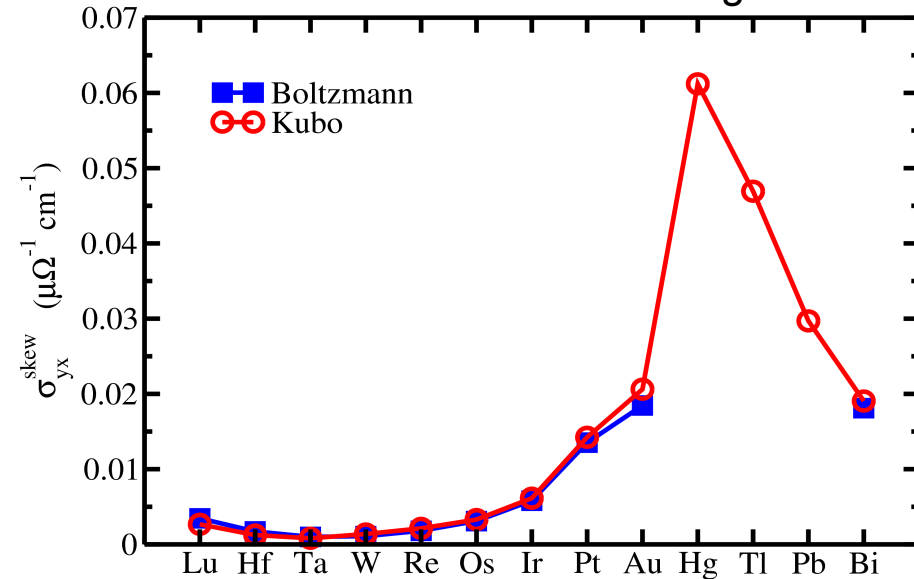
scattering-in terms



Longitudinal conductivity

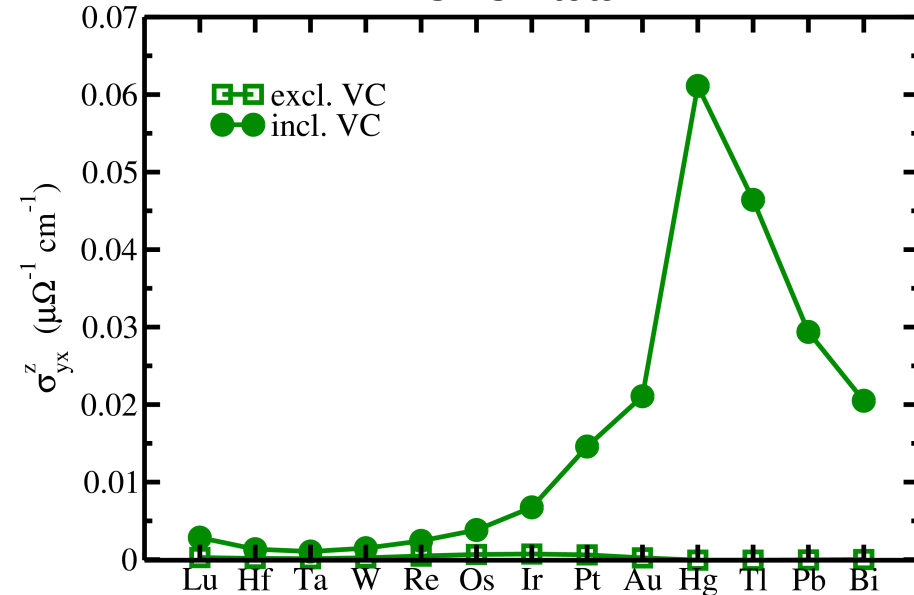


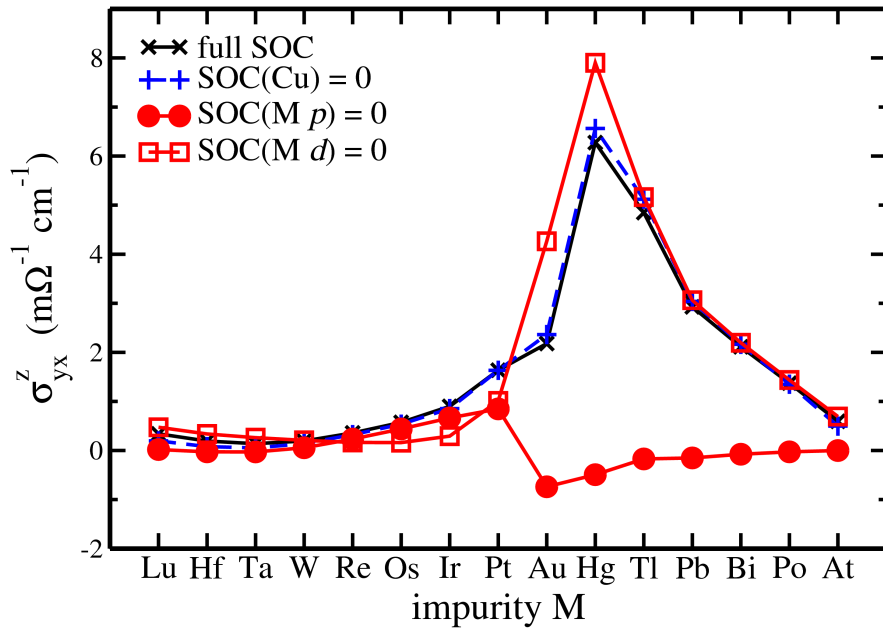
SHC – skew scattering



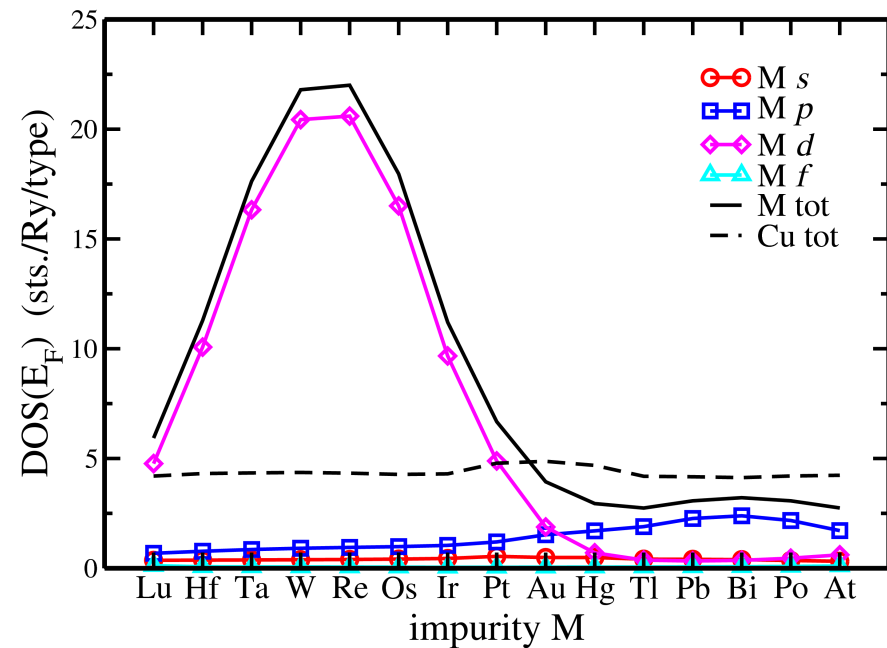
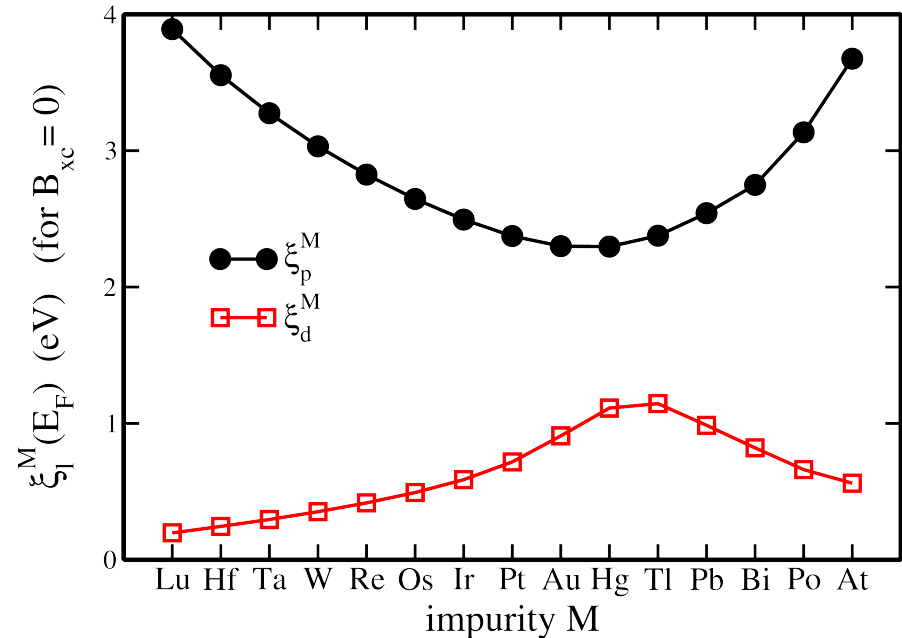
Boltzmann results:
C. Herschbach *et al.*, arXiv:1308.4012v1

SHC - total

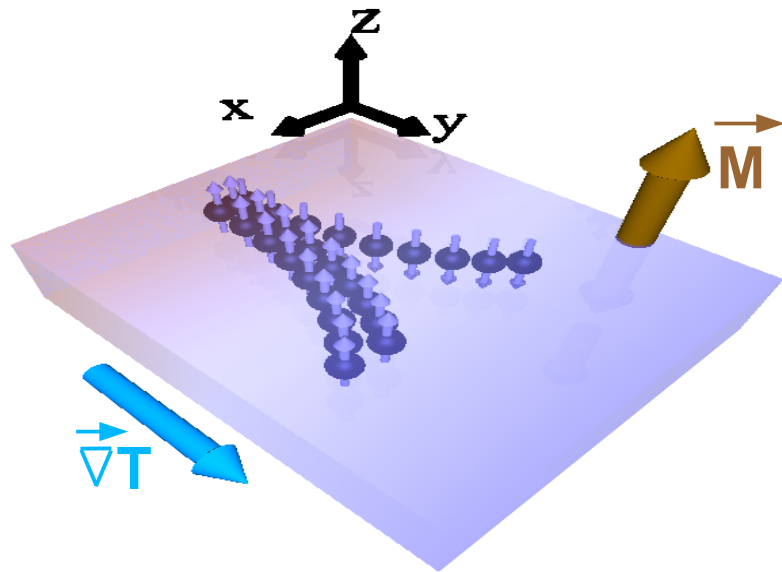




- SHC caused primarily by SOC of M
- Mostly p - but also d -states relevant around maximum
- Crossover of dominance of d - to p -states at E_F between $M = \text{Au}$ and Hg
- SOC strength maximal in d -channel and minimal in p -channel, but larger in the latter

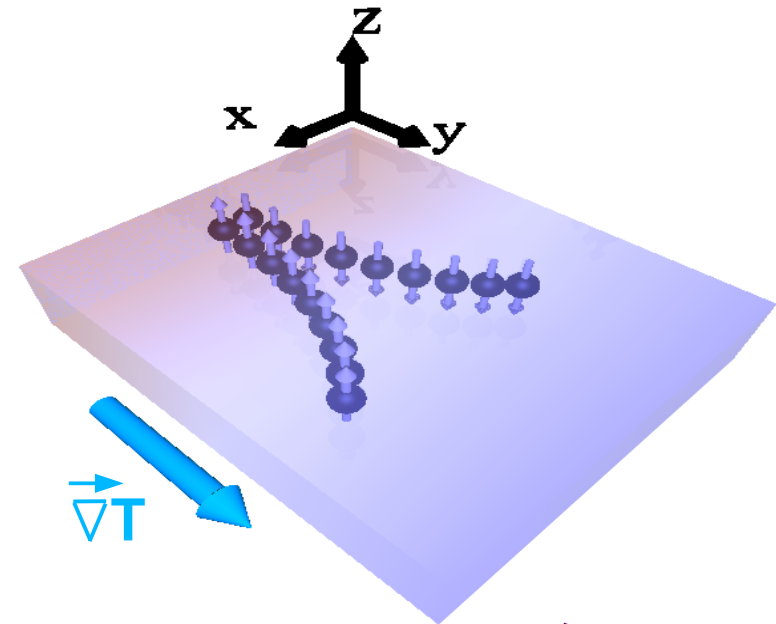


Anomalous Nernst Effect (ANE)



Ferromagnet $\vec{B} = 0$

Spin Nernst Effect (SNE)



Paramagnet $\vec{B} = 0$

Thermal analogues to

Anomalous Hall

and

Spin Hall effect



Currents induced by gradient of electrochemical potential $\vec{\nabla}\mu = \vec{\mu}_c - e\vec{E}$
and temperature gradient $\vec{\nabla}T$:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{charge} \quad \vec{j}^c &= -L^{cc}\vec{\nabla}\mu - L^{cq}\vec{\nabla}T/T \\ \text{heat} \quad \vec{j}^q &= -L^{qc}\vec{\nabla}\mu - L^{qq}\vec{\nabla}T/T \\ \text{spin} \quad J^s &= -\mathcal{L}^{sc}\vec{\nabla}\mu - \mathcal{L}^{sq}\vec{\nabla}T/T \end{aligned}$$

with response functions

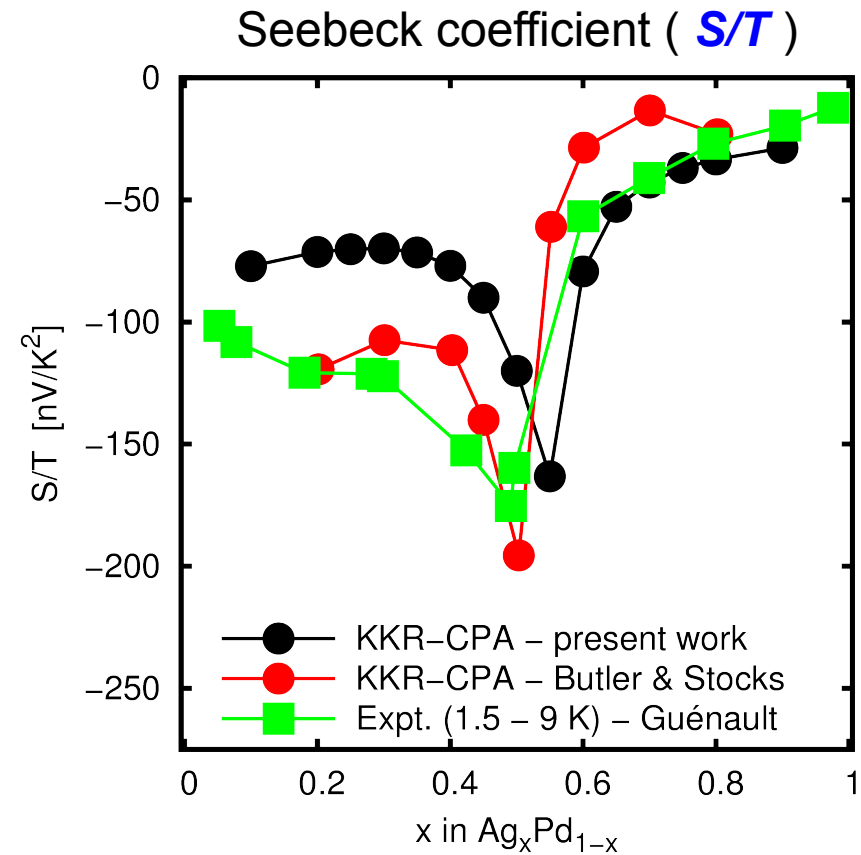
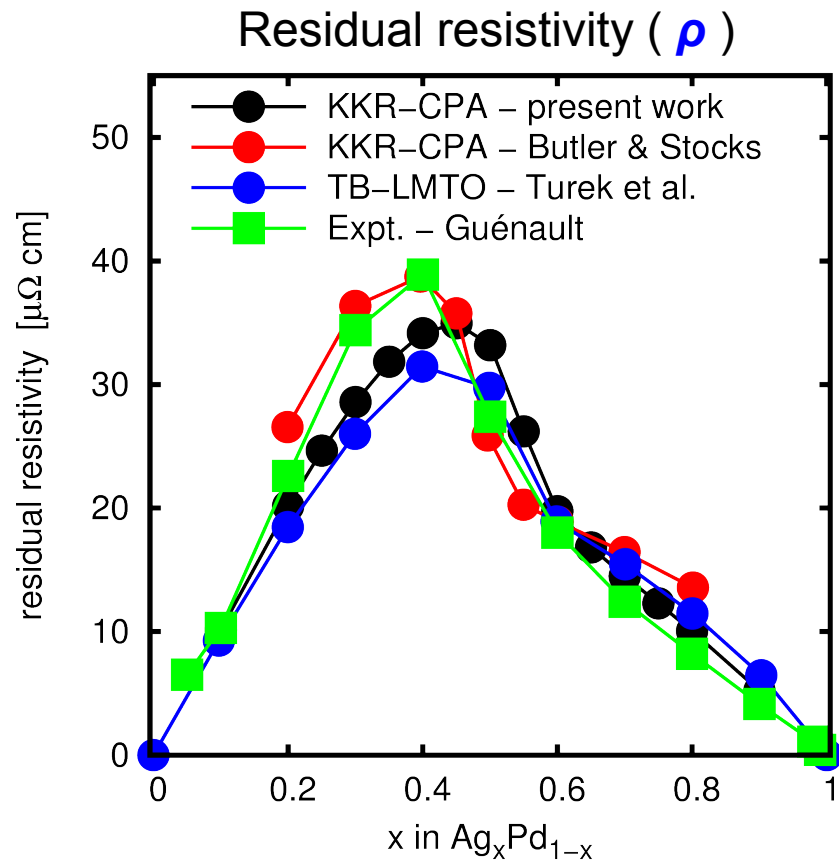
$$(L/\mathcal{L})_{\mu\nu}^{(s/c)c(\xi)}(T) = -\frac{1}{e} \int dE \sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(s/c)c(\xi)}(E) \left(-\frac{\partial f(E, T)}{\partial E} \right)$$

$$(L/\mathcal{L})_{\mu\nu}^{(s/c)q(\xi)}(T) = -\frac{1}{e} \int dE \sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(s/c)c(\xi)}(E) \left(-\frac{\partial f(E, T)}{\partial E} \right) (E - E_F)$$

$$L_{\mu\nu}^{qq}(T) = -\frac{1}{e} \int dE \sigma_{\mu\nu}^{cc}(E) \left(-\frac{\partial f(E, T)}{\partial E} \right) (E - E_F)^2$$

where L^{ab} and L^{ba} are connected via Onsager symmetry relations

and $\sigma^{cc} \equiv -eL^{cc}$, $\sigma^{sc} \equiv -e\mathcal{L}^{sc}$ for $T \rightarrow 0$

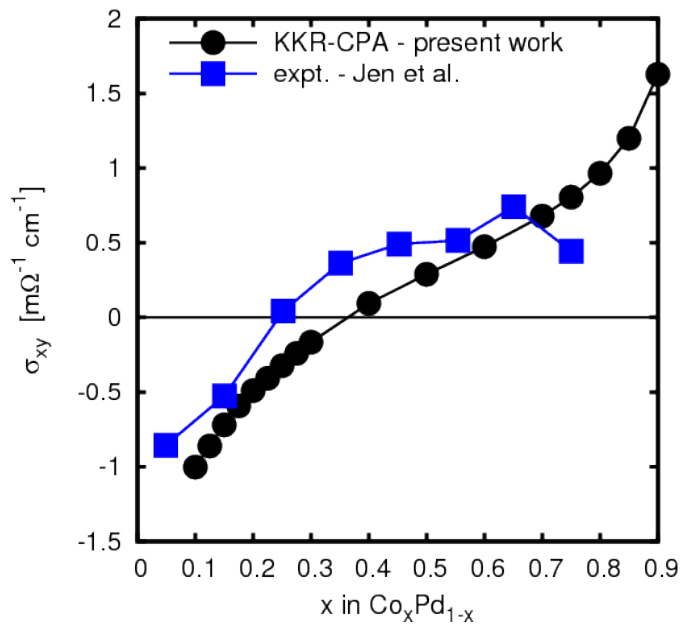
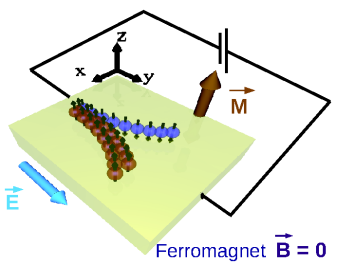


- Butler & Stocks: ρ obtained from BSF, without vertex corrections

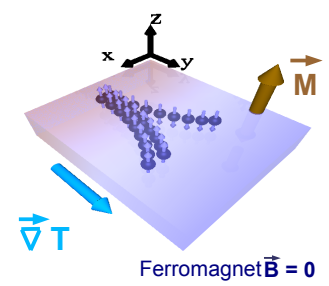
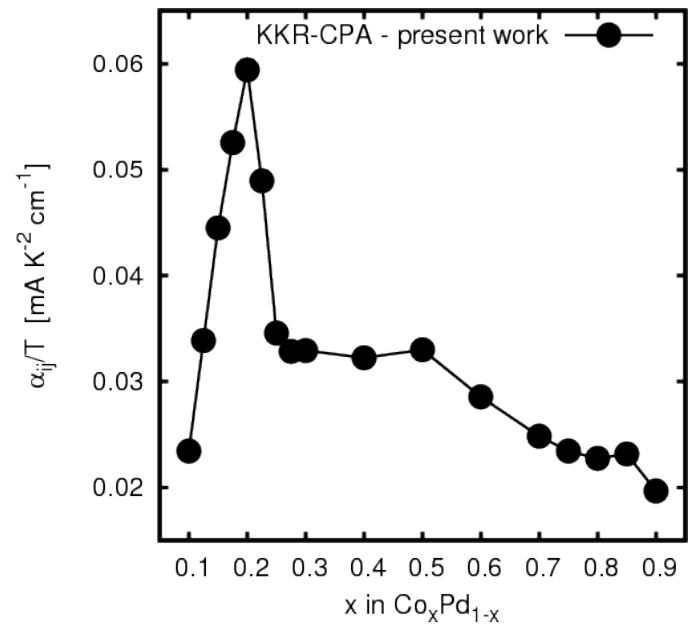
Theory: Butler and Stocks, PRB **29**, 4217 (1984), I. Turek *et al.*, PRB **65**, 125101 (2002)

Experiment: Guénault, PM **30**, 641 (1974)

Anomalous Hall conductivity



Anomalous Nernst conductivity

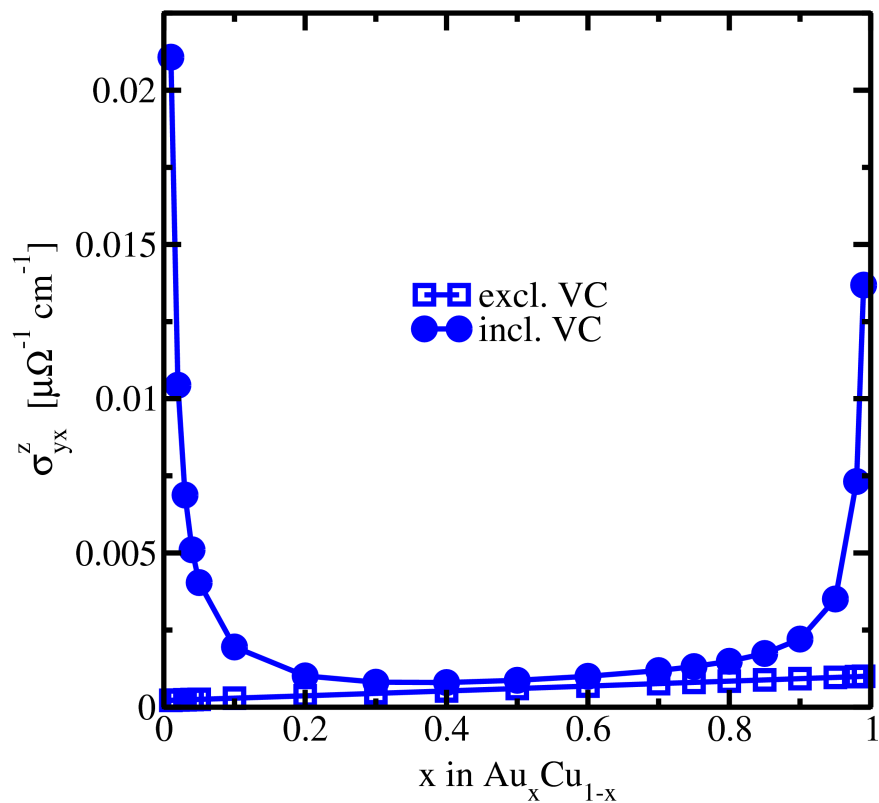


- No direct relation between AHC and ANC
- AHC shows sign change, while ANC does not
- ANC: Maximum at $x \approx 0.2$ in line with behaviour of ρ , AMR ratio & S

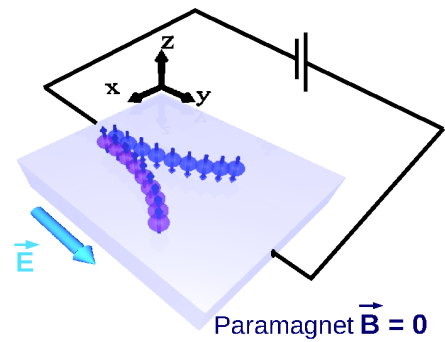
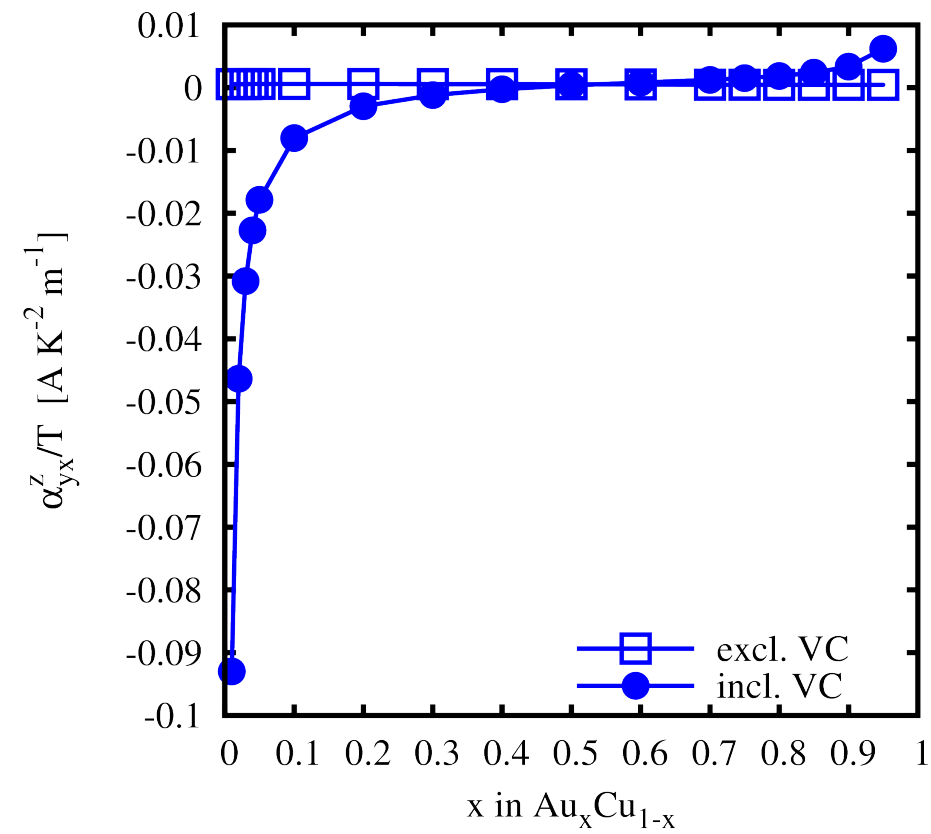
Expt.: Jen *et al.*, JAP **76**, 5782 (1994)



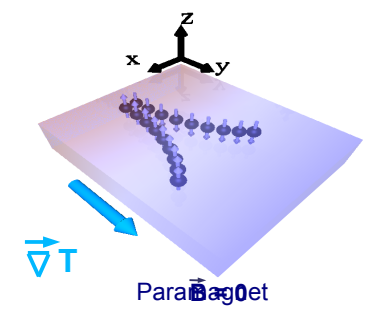
Spin Hall conductivity



(Thermal) Spin Nernst conductivity



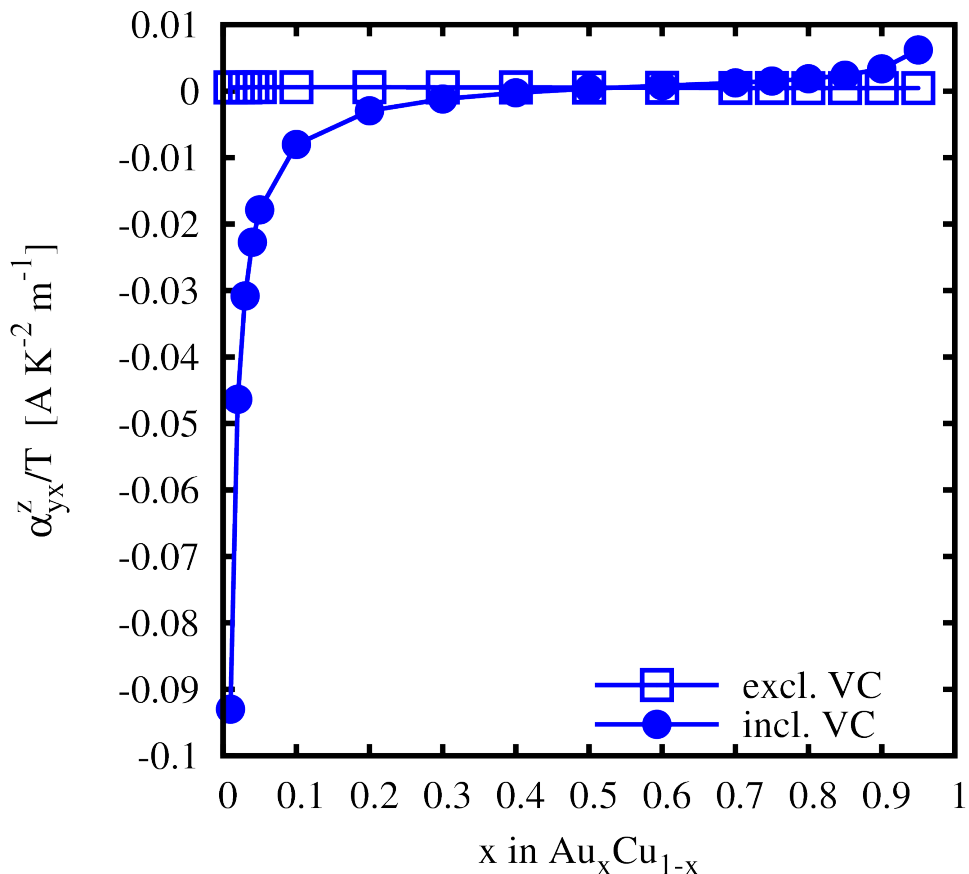
Wimmer et al. arXiv:1306.0621



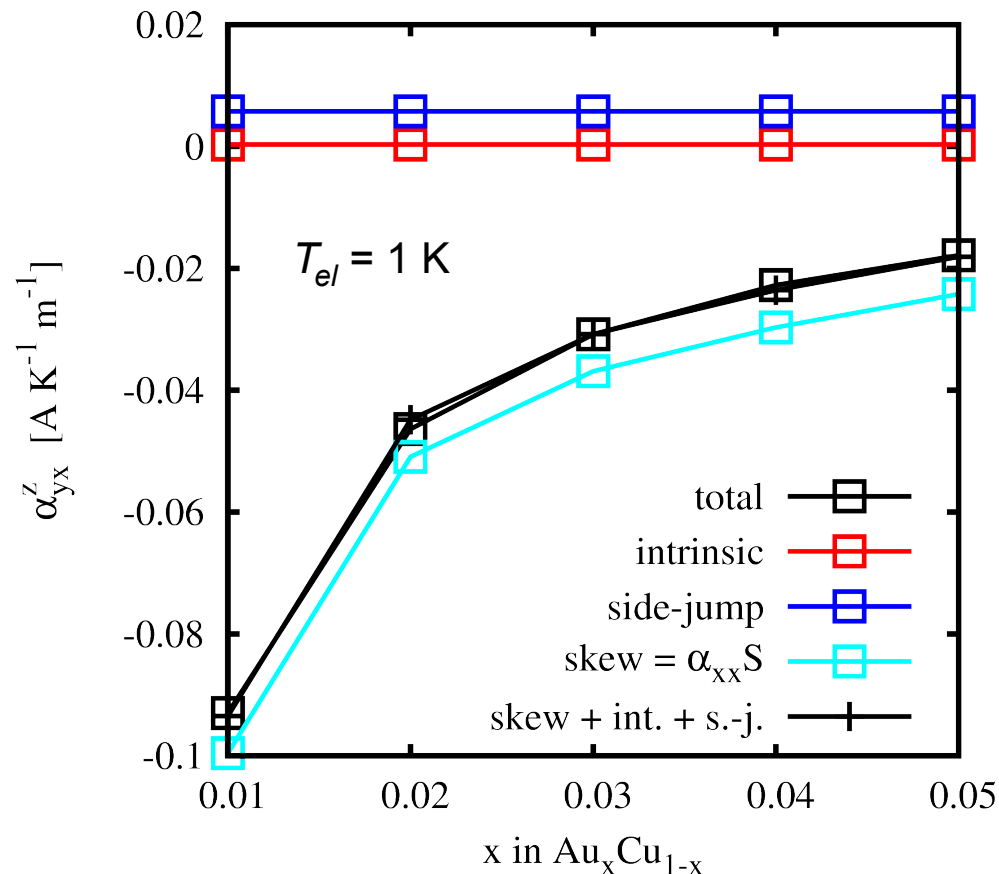
Spin Nernst Conductivity in Au_xCu_{1-x} and its decomposition via scaling behaviour



(Thermal) Spin Nernst conductivity σ_{SN}^T



Decomposition of SNC for Cu-rich alloys



$$\alpha_{yx}^z = \alpha_{xx}S + \alpha_{yx}^{z,sj} + \alpha_{yx}^{z,intr}$$



Open circuit condition implies

$$\vec{E} = -\frac{1}{eT} (L^{cc})^{-1} L^{cq} \vec{\nabla} T = S \vec{\nabla} T$$

leading to the spin current density

$$\begin{aligned} J^s &= \mathcal{L}^{sc} (-e\vec{E}) + \mathcal{L}^{sq} (-\vec{\nabla} T / T) \\ &= \alpha^{scq} \vec{\nabla} T \end{aligned}$$

with the combined response tensor

$$\alpha^{scq} = -e\mathcal{L}^{sc} S - \mathcal{L}^{sq} / T$$

consisting of an **electrical** and a **thermal** contribution.

The transverse element with polarization normal to driving forces and response

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{yx}^{scq,z} &= -e\mathcal{L}_{yx}^{sc,z} S_{xx} - \frac{1}{T} \mathcal{L}_{yx}^{sq,z} \\ &= \alpha_{yx}^{sc,z} + \alpha_{yx}^{sq,z} \end{aligned}$$

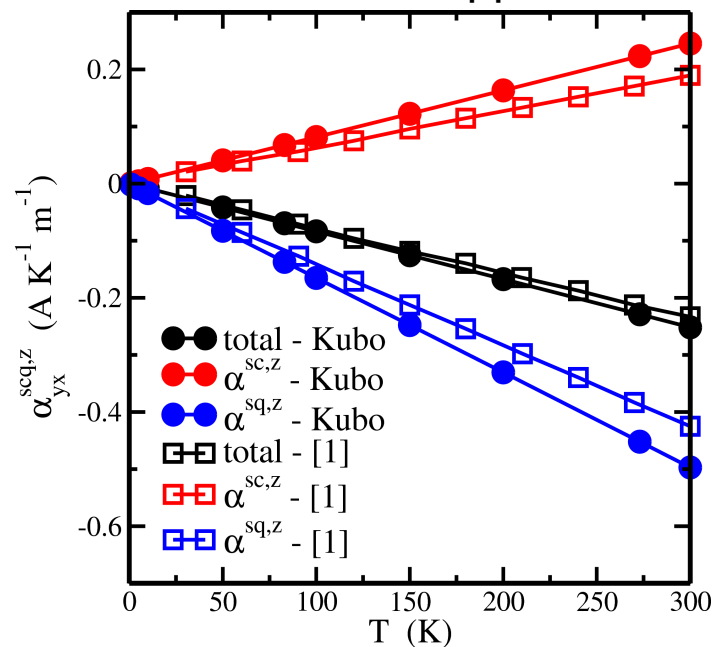
is the **spin Nernst conductivity**.

see also: Tauber *et al.*, PRL **109**, 026601 (2012).

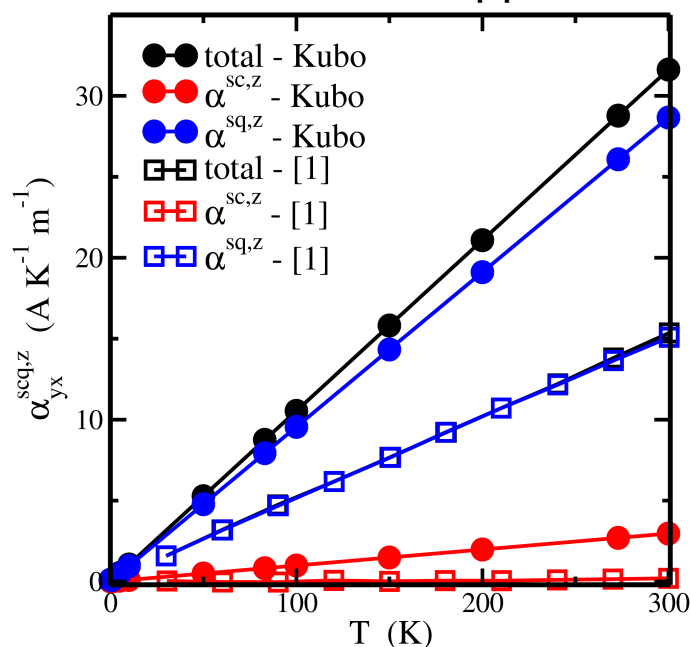


- Comparison to calculations using Boltzmann transport theory [1]

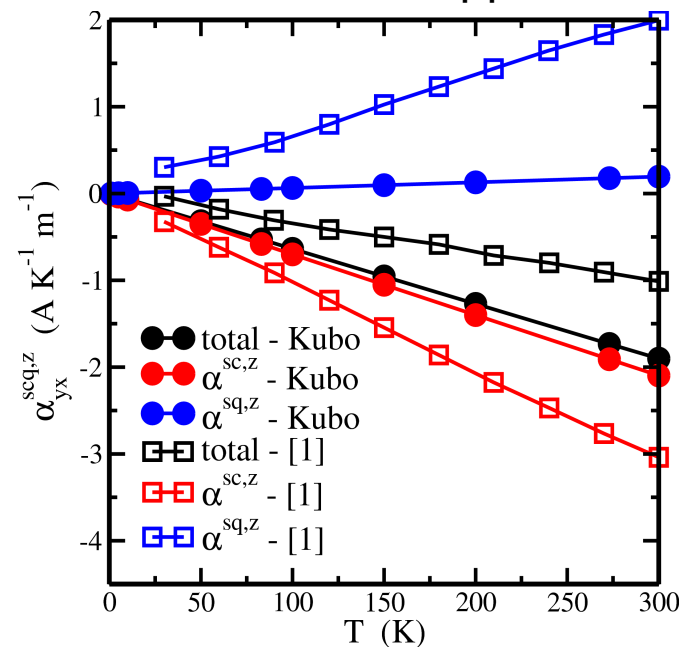
1 % Ti in copper



1 % Au in copper



1 % Bi in copper



$$\alpha_{yx}^{scq,z} = \alpha_{yx}^{sc,z} + \alpha_{yx}^{sq,z}$$

— “proper” Spin Nernst conductivity

Spin Hall contribution due to electric field created by longitudinal Seebeck effect

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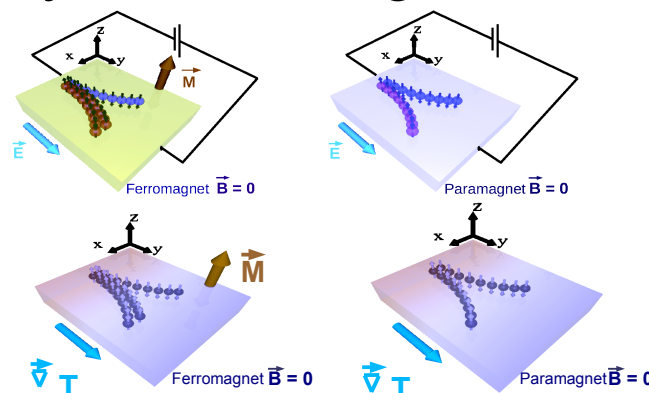


- A relativistic implementation of the Kubo-Středa formalism on the basis of the KKR-CPA formalism was presented

$$\sigma_{\mu\nu}^z = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi N\Omega} \text{Tr} \left\langle \hat{J}_\mu^z (G^+ - G^-) \hat{J}_\nu G^- - \hat{J}_\mu^z G^+ \hat{J}_\nu (G^+ - G^-) \right\rangle_c + \frac{e}{4\pi i N\Omega} \text{Tr} \left\langle (G^+ - G^-) (\hat{r}_\mu \hat{J}_\nu^z - \hat{r}_\nu \hat{J}_\mu^z) \right\rangle_c$$

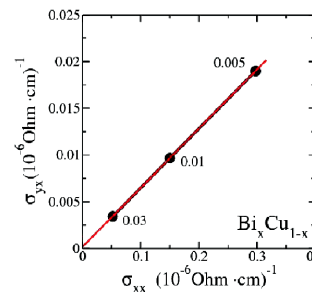
- Applications to concentrated alloys for investigations on

- Anomalous Hall Effect
- Spin Hall Effect
- Anomalous Nernst Effect
- Spin Nernst Effect



- Decomposition into intrinsic and extrinsic contributions based on vertex corrections

- Skew- and side-jump contributions identified via scaling behaviour



- Results for diluted alloys in full coherence with results based on Boltzmann formalism

