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Planar Hall Torque

Spin-orbit torques (SOTs) in bilayers of ferromagnetic (FM) and nonmagnetic (NM) materials, such as spin Hall [1] and Rashba [2, 3] torques, enable energy efficient manipulation of magnetization by electric currents. In this talk, I will discuss the discovery [4] of a damping-like SOT arising from planar Hall current in FM conductors [5, 6]. The magnitude of this planar Hall torque (PHT) is similar to that of the giant spin Hall torque in FM/Pt bilayers and strong PHT can be present in a system with negligibly

small spin Hall torque such as FM/Au bilayers. We also show that PHT is large enough to cancel magnetic damping of the FM and excite auto-oscillations of the FM magnetization. The discovery of PHT expands the class of materials and systems for energy efficient manipulation of magnetization by giant SOTs.

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