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# Valley-spin coupling

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Mak, K. F., He, K., Shan, J., & Heinz, T. F. Nature Nanotechn, 7, 494 (2012) Also experiments by X. Cui, J. Feng, B. Urbaszek groups

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**Open questions (motivation):** 

- How to break the valley degeneracy and control the valley splitting?
- How to create and control the steady-state valley polarization



### **Answer (method):**

 Apply magnetic field and break the time reversal symmetry

## **Experimental details**



### Gate control of neutral and charged excitons in a monolayer MoSe<sub>2</sub>



First shown by T.Heinz' (MoSe<sub>2</sub>) and X.Xu's (MoSe<sub>2</sub>) groups

Mak et al. Nature Mat., **12**, 207 (2013) Ross et al. Nature Comm., 4:1474 (2013)



 $\triangleright$  Low-doping regime : X<sup>-</sup> and X<sup>0</sup> have similar intensity

Sample 415

▶ High-doping regime : X<sup>-</sup> dominates

## **Excitons in a monolayer MoSe<sub>2</sub>**

#### X0 exciton : neutral exciton



## **Excitons in monolayer MoSe<sub>2</sub>**

#### X- exciton : negatively charged trion



# **Valley Zeeman effect**

$\Delta E_{Z} = E_{s}^{c/v} + \Delta E_{l}^{c/v} + \Delta E_{k}^{c/v}$				
	K valley		K' valley	
	СВ	VB	СВ	VB
Spin	-μ <sub>B</sub>	<b>-μ</b> B	+µ <i>B</i>	+μ <sub>B</sub>
Atomic d-orbitals (intracellular)	0	-2µв	0	+2µ <sub>B</sub>
Phase winding of Bloch function (intercellular), $\alpha = m_0/m_{C,V}$	-αμΒ	-αμΒ	$+\alpha\mu_B$	$+\alpha\mu_B$

W. Yao, et al. PR B, 2008; X. Xu, et al. Nature Phys., 2014, T. C. Berkelbach et al. PRB, 2013

## **Valley Zeeman effect**



# Valley Zeeman effect in a monolayer MoSe<sub>2</sub> : low carrier density



# Zeeman shift of exciton peaks



- Valley degeneracy is lifted due to the contribution from the valence band atomic orbitals, resulting in total Lande factor of 4.1
- Binding energies are not influenced by the magnetic field at low densities



Field (T)

- The relative intensities of X– and X0 varies monotonically with magnetic field
- The trend is reversed for the opposite valleys



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Theory: H. Yu, et al. Nat. Commun. 5, 3876 (2014).





• At  $E_F > E_C$ , the trion Zeeman shift is expected to follow total VB contribution only  $(5\mu_B)$ , which would result in 0.29 meV/T.

- low carrier density
- Estimated carrier density of 3x10<sup>12</sup> would cause the Fermi level to be ~10meV above the CB edge

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### Valley splitting and polarization in monolayer MoSe<sub>2</sub>

- Splitting of K/K' valleys by application of perpendicular magnetic field (tuning valley DoF)
- Charge imbalance in different valleys for doped samples creation of steady-state valley polarization
- Intervalley configuration is the lower energy state for the trion
- Variation in the trion emission energy X-(B) with at high doping (call for more experimental and theoretical studies)