

The Hall effect in composites

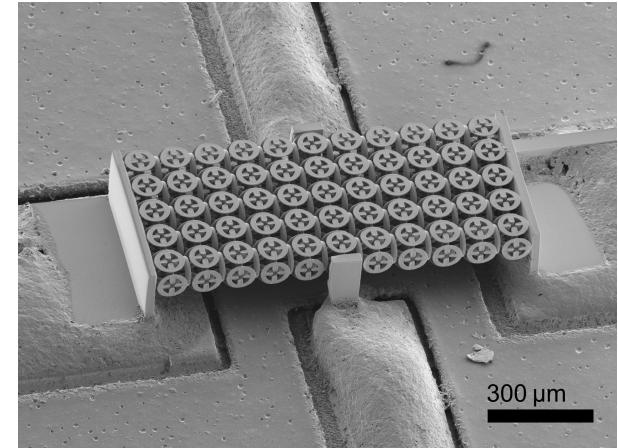
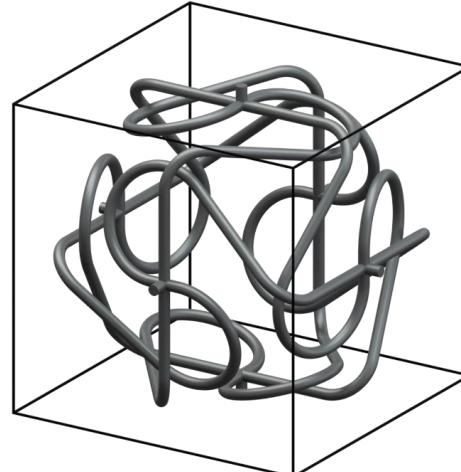
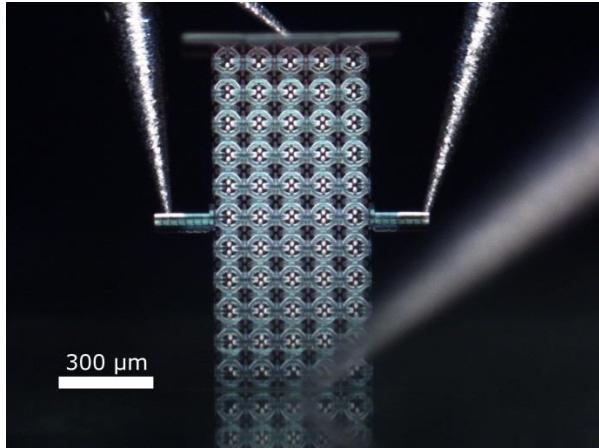
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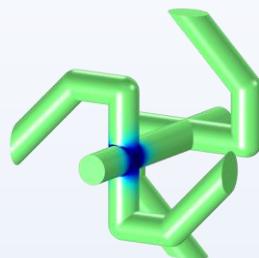
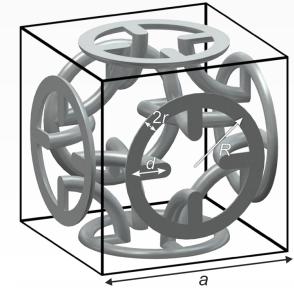
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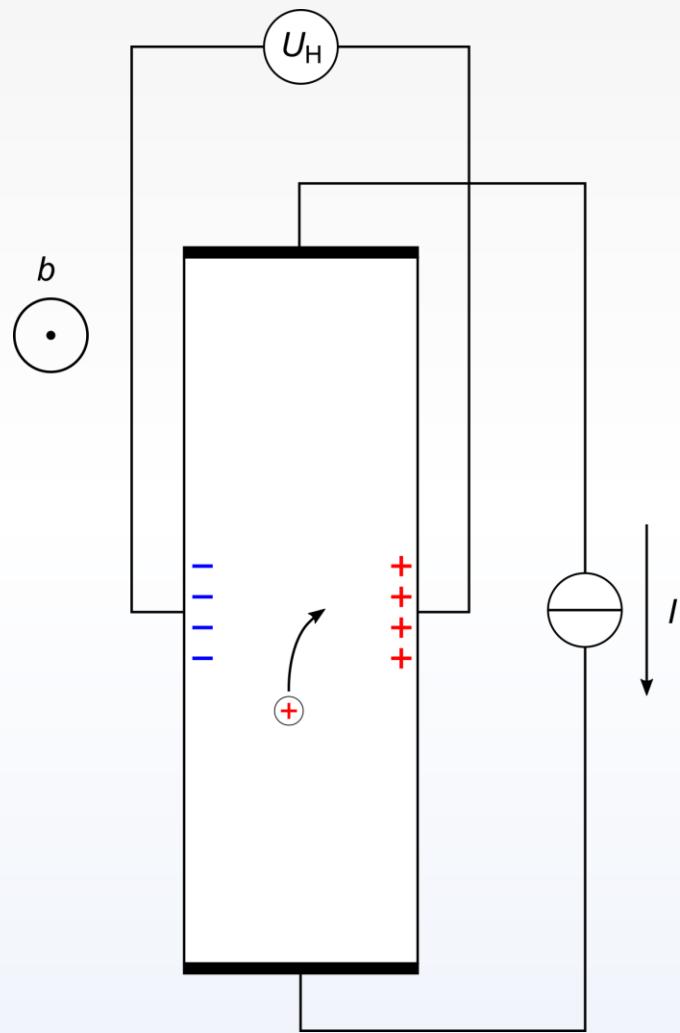


Outline

- Theory and homogenization of the Hall effect
- Sign-inversion of the effective Hall coefficient in chainmail-inspired composites
- Symmetry considerations
- Current state of experiments
- Novel structures showing a sign-inversion of the effective Hall coefficient
- Anisotropic structures

$$\text{Cof}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0^*) \mathbf{A}_H^* = \langle \text{Cof}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0 \nabla \Phi)^\top \mathbf{A}_H \rangle$$





$$U_H = \frac{1}{nq} \frac{Ib}{h} = A_H \frac{Ib}{h}$$

negative charge carriers (e.g. n-type semiconductor)

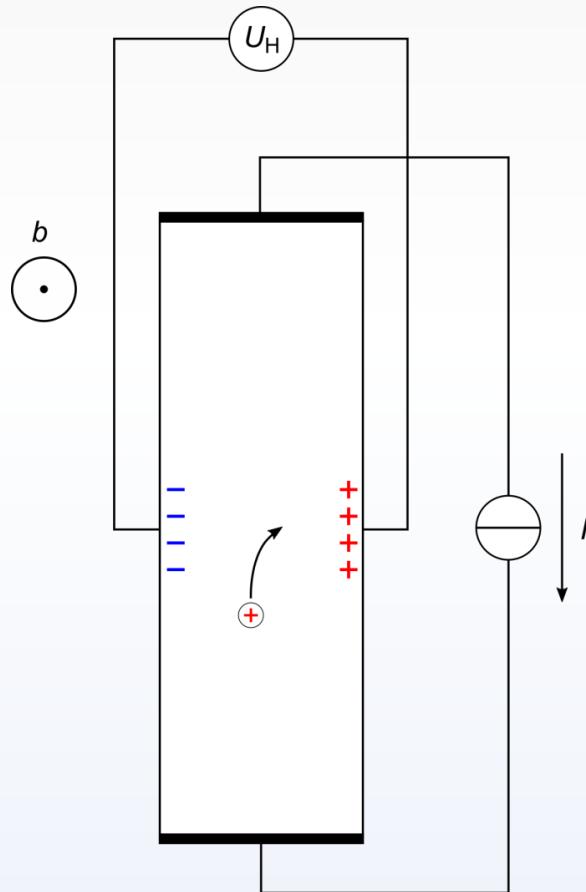


negative A_H

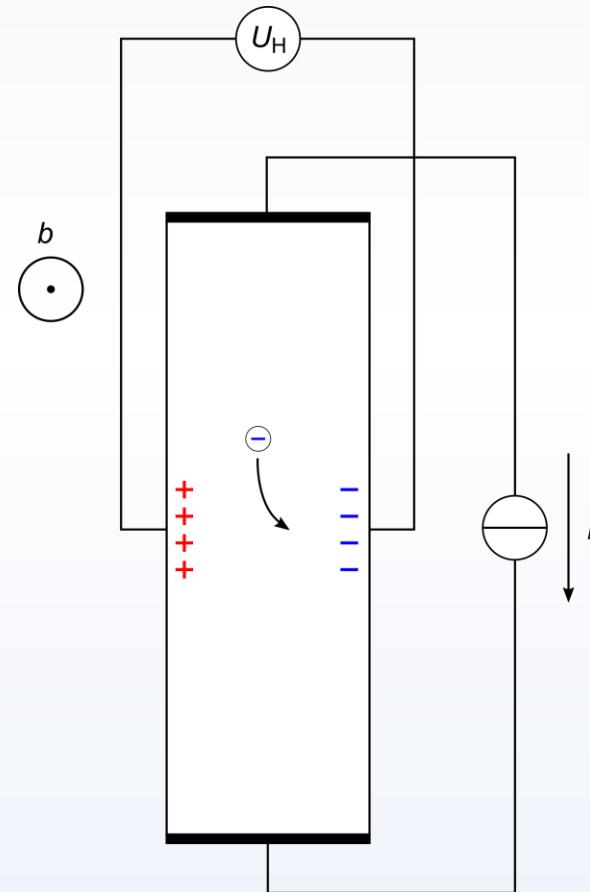
positive charge carriers (e.g. p-type semiconductor)



positive A_H



positive Hall coefficient



negative Hall coefficient

Conductivity problem $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j} = 0, \quad \mathbf{j} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{b}) \mathbf{e}, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{e} = 0$

From Onsager's principle: $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{b}) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}(-\mathbf{b})^\top$

Small magnetic fields

Expansion in orders of the magnetic flux density:

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{b}) &= \boldsymbol{\sigma}_0 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1(\mathbf{b}) \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_0^\top &= \boldsymbol{\sigma}_0 \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1(\mathbf{b})^\top &= -\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1(\mathbf{b})\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_0 + \mathcal{E}(S\mathbf{b}) \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \curvearrowleft \\ S = -\text{Cof}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0) \mathbf{A}_H \\ \boldsymbol{\rho} = \boldsymbol{\rho}_0 + \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{A}_H \mathbf{b}) \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \curvearrowleft \end{array}$$

$$\text{Cof}(\mathbf{A})_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \det \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{pmatrix} = -(A_{21}A_{33} - A_{31}A_{23})$$

L. D. Landau and E. M. Lifshitz, *Electrodynamics of Continuous Media*, 1960

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Isotropic materials

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0 = \sigma_0 \mathbf{I} \quad A_{\text{H}} = A_{\text{H}} \mathbf{I}$$

\mathbf{b} -field along $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{b}) = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_0 & \sigma_0 A_{\text{H}} b_z & 0 \\ -\sigma_0 A_{\text{H}} b_z & \sigma_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Effective Hall tensor

$$\mathbf{A}_H(\mathbf{x}) \longrightarrow \mathbf{A}_H^*$$

Small magnetic fields

\mathbf{A}_H^* can be obtained from a solution of the zero magnetic-field problem

$$\text{Cof}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0^*) \mathbf{A}_H^* = \langle \text{Cof}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0 \nabla \Phi)^\top \mathbf{A}_H \rangle$$

$$\Phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3)^\top \quad \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \nabla \Phi) = 0$$

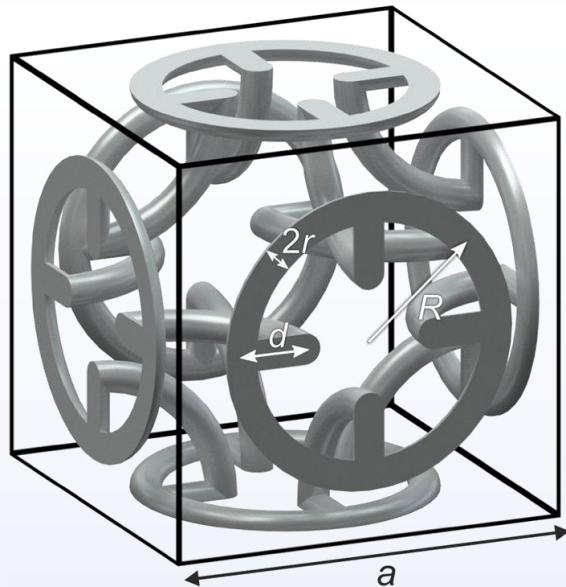
Isotropic case first considered by D. Bergman

$$A_H^* = \left\langle \left(\tilde{J}_{11} \tilde{J}_{22} - \tilde{J}_{21} \tilde{J}_{12} \right) A_H(\mathbf{x}) \right\rangle$$

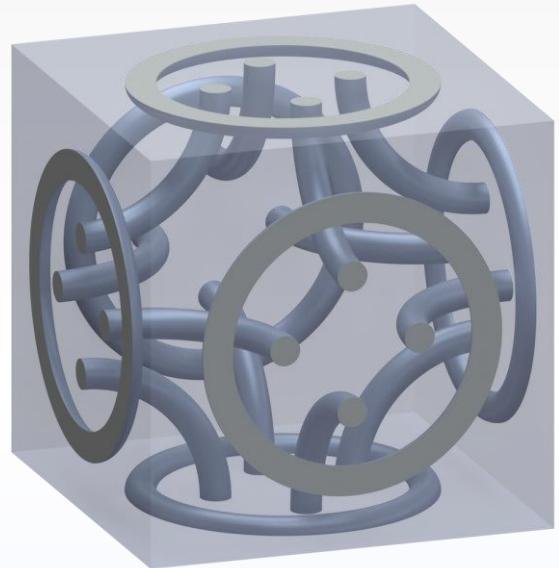
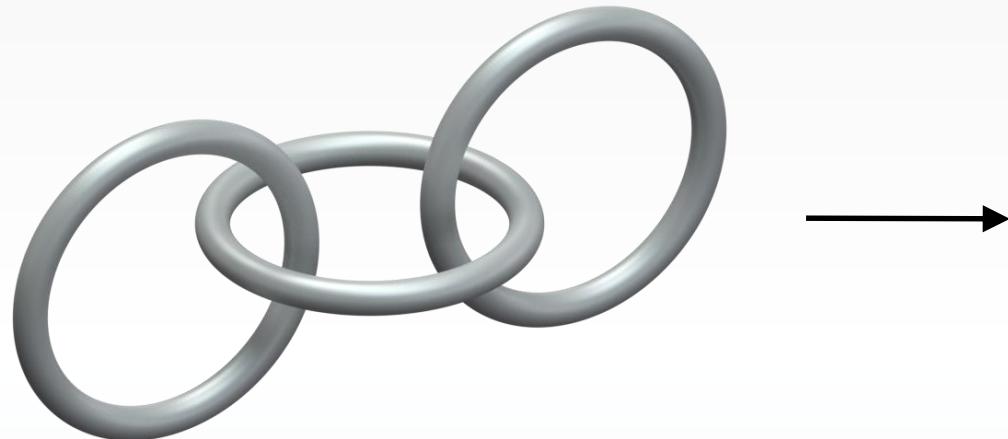
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Sign-inversion of the effective Hall coefficient



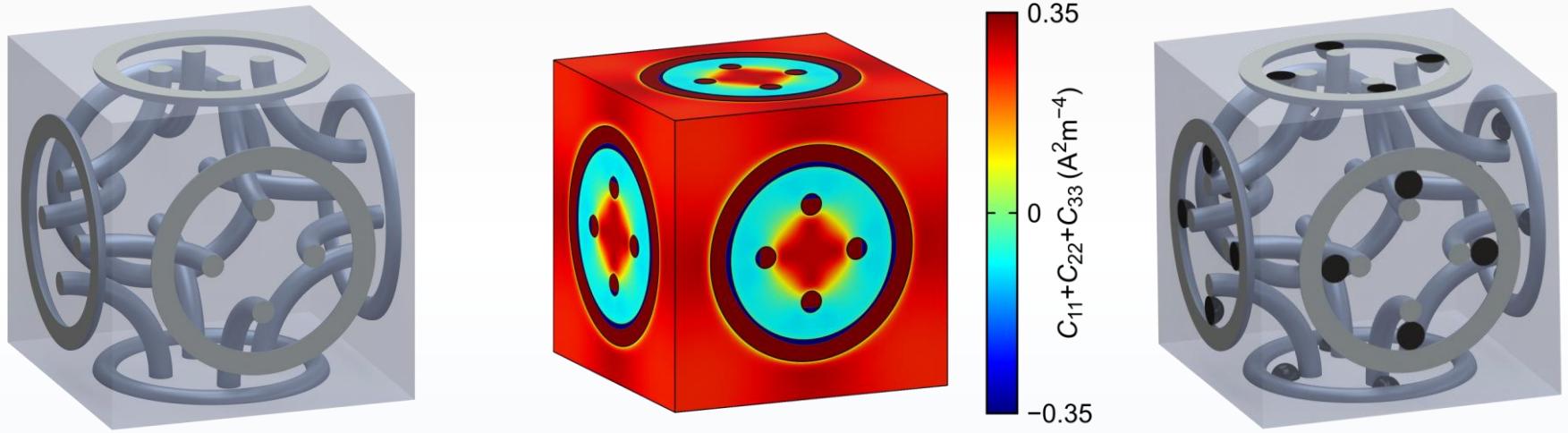
Change of sign of the determinant



$$\text{Cof}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0^*) \mathbf{A}_H^* = \langle \text{Cof}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_0 \nabla \Phi)^T \mathbf{A}_H \rangle$$

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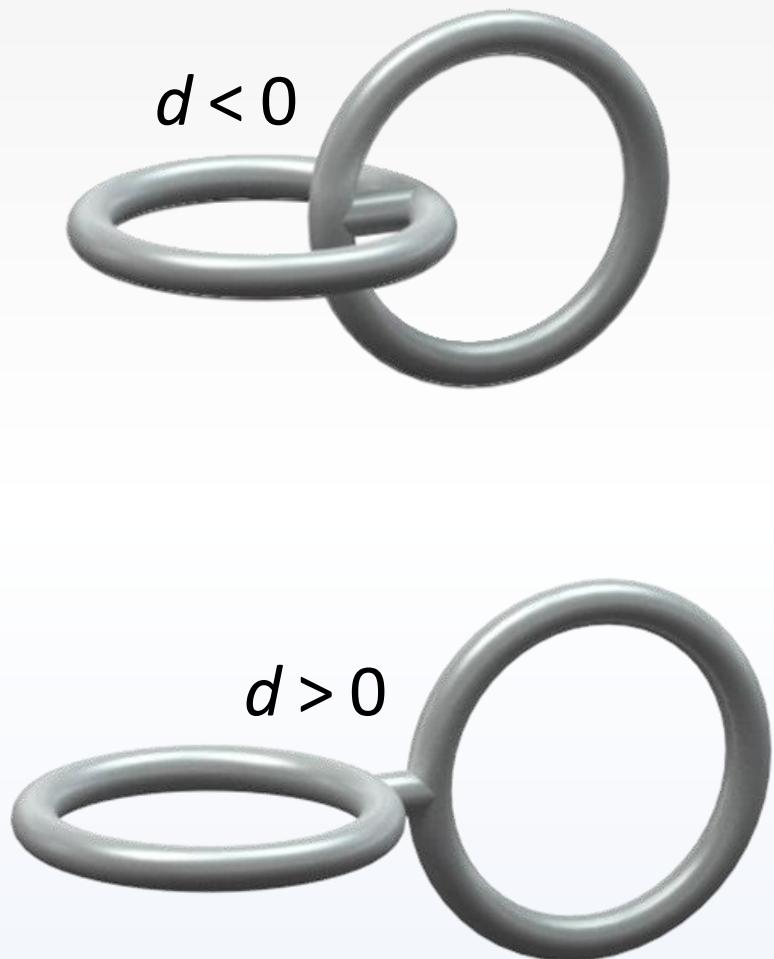
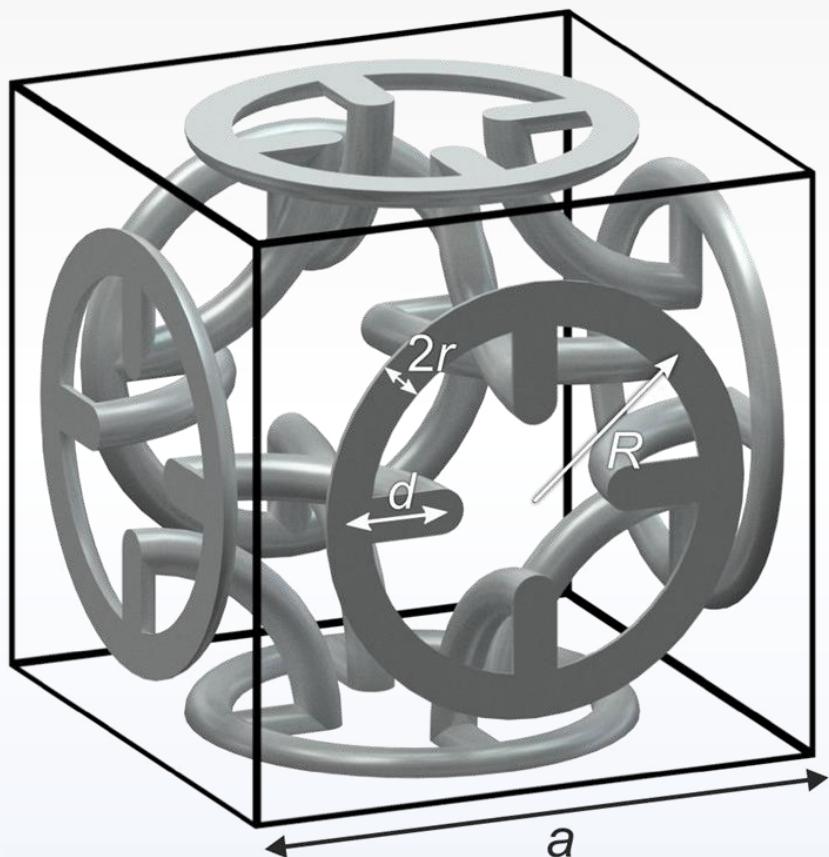
3D structure suggested by chainmail-artist Dylon Whyte

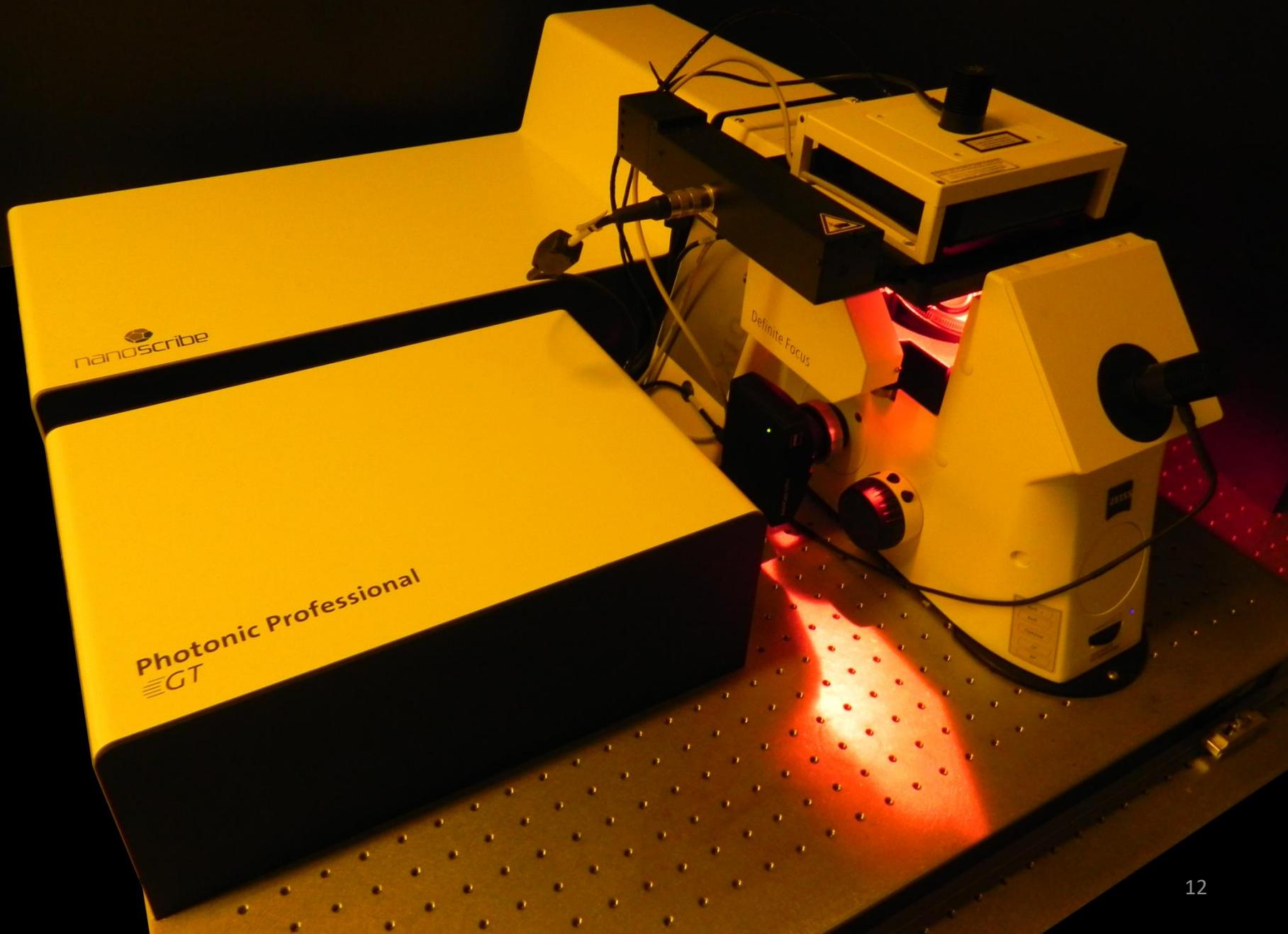


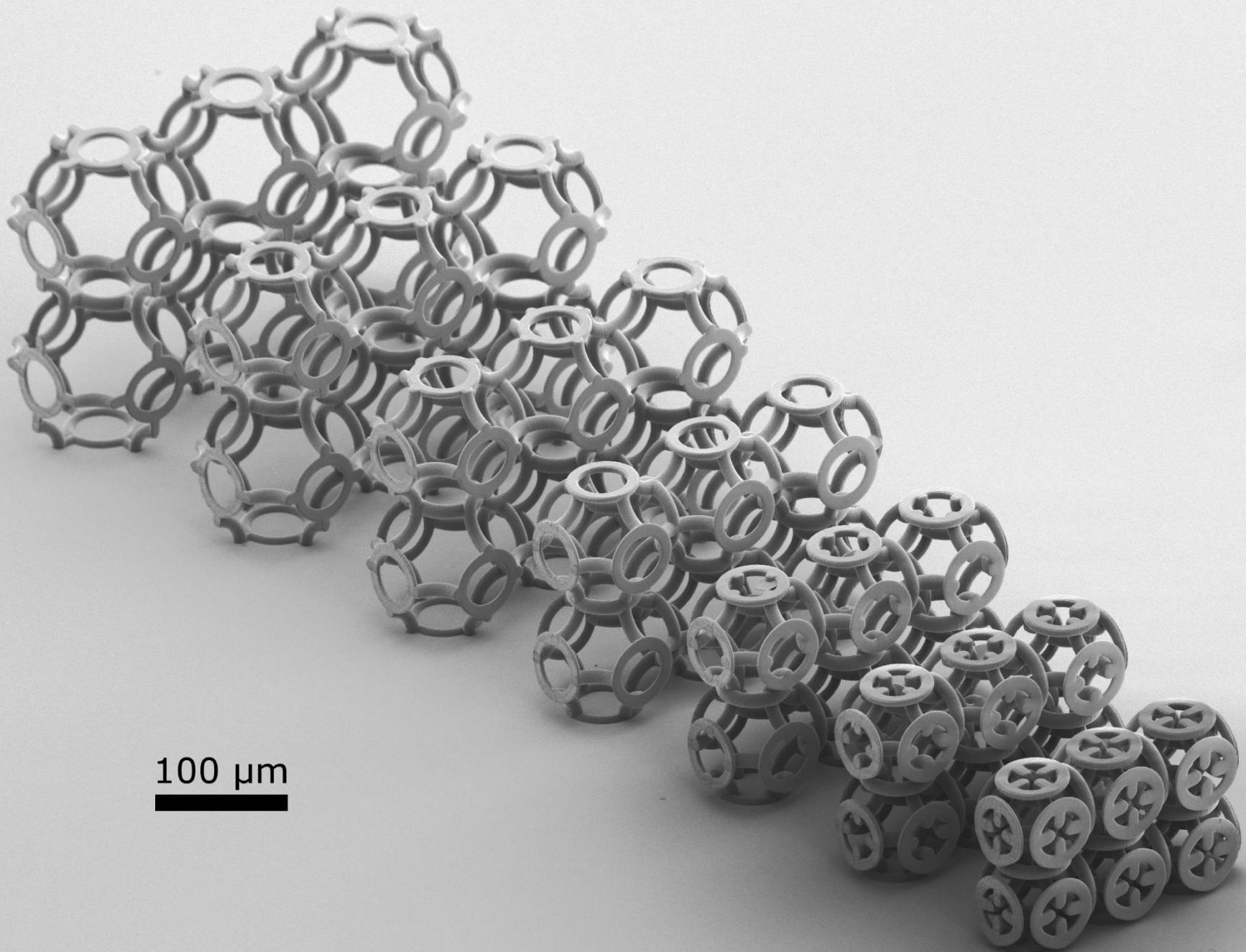
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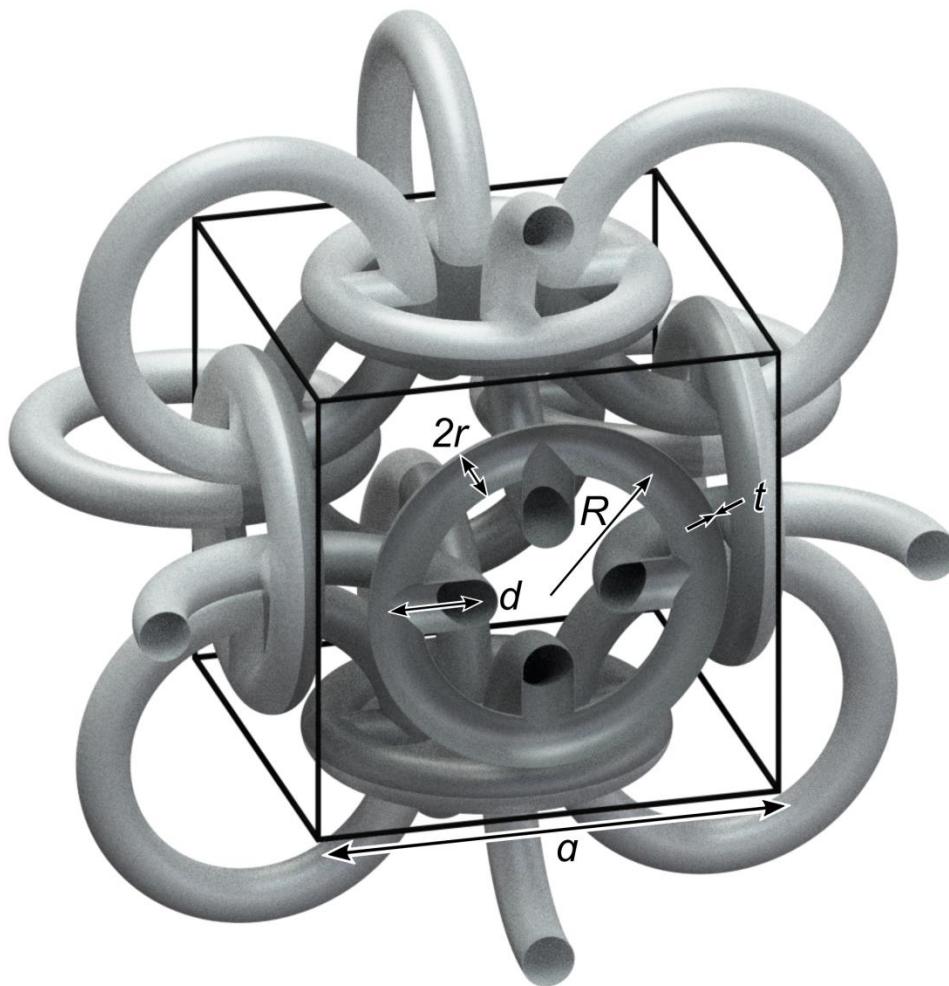
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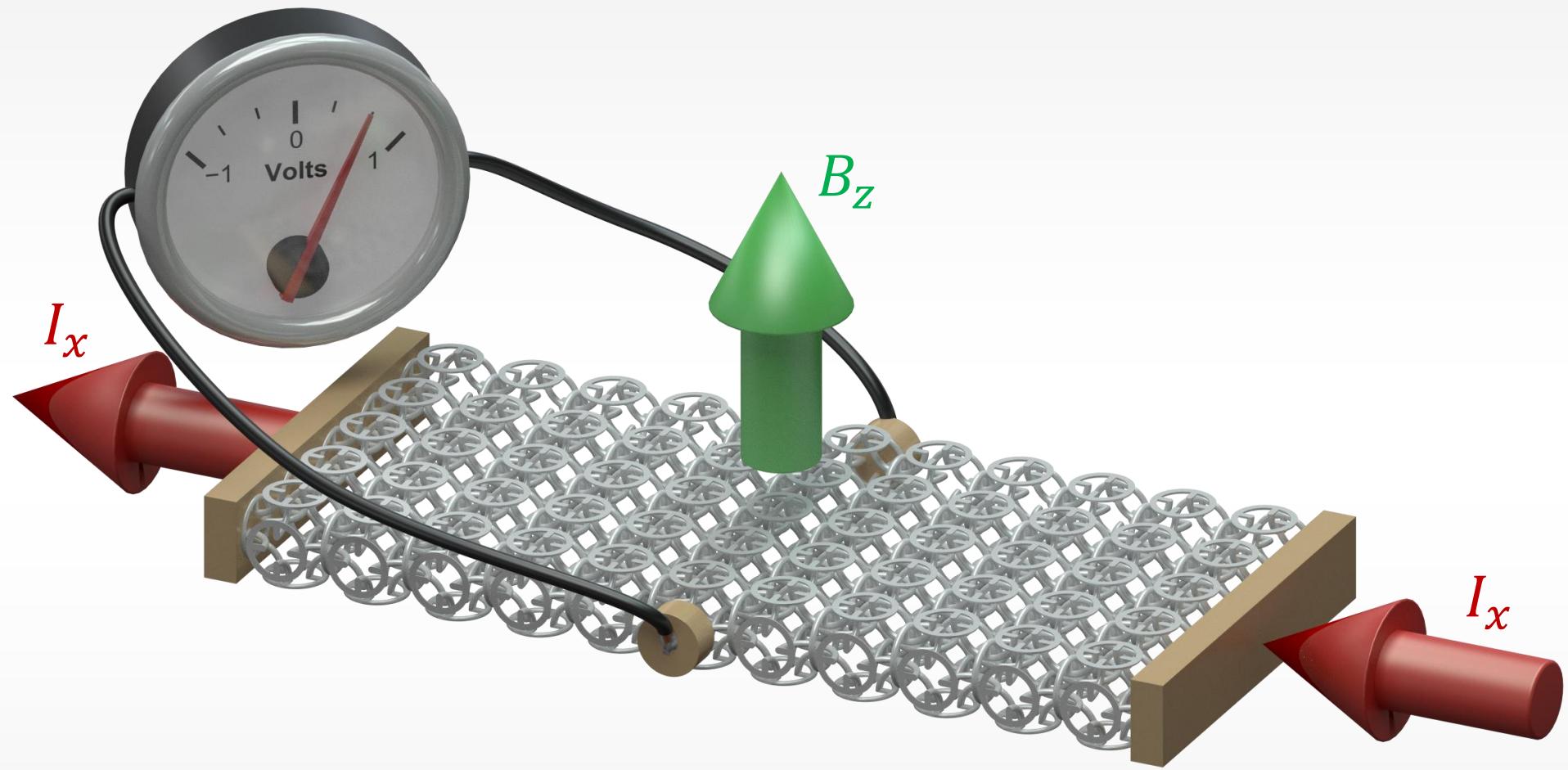
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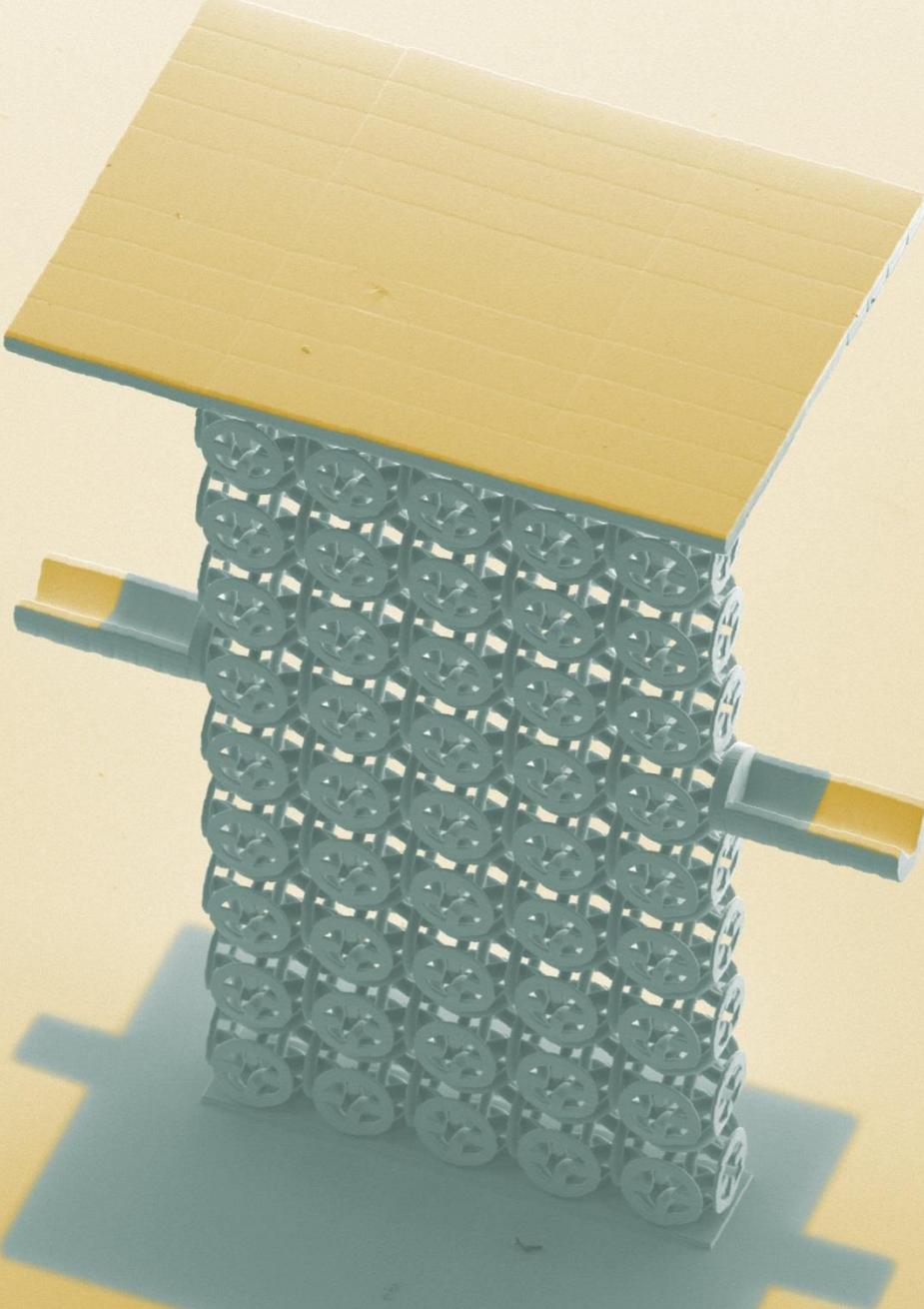






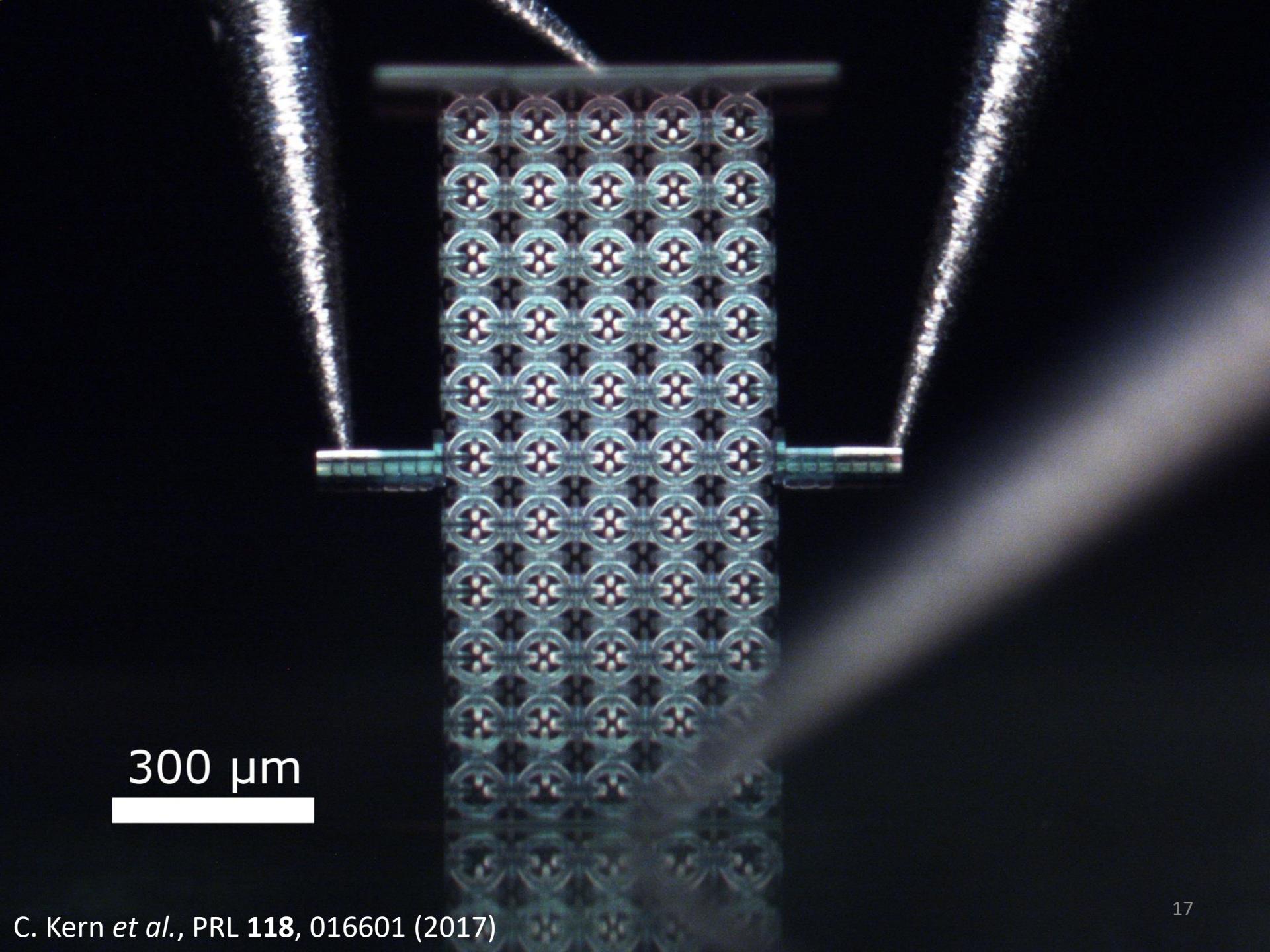




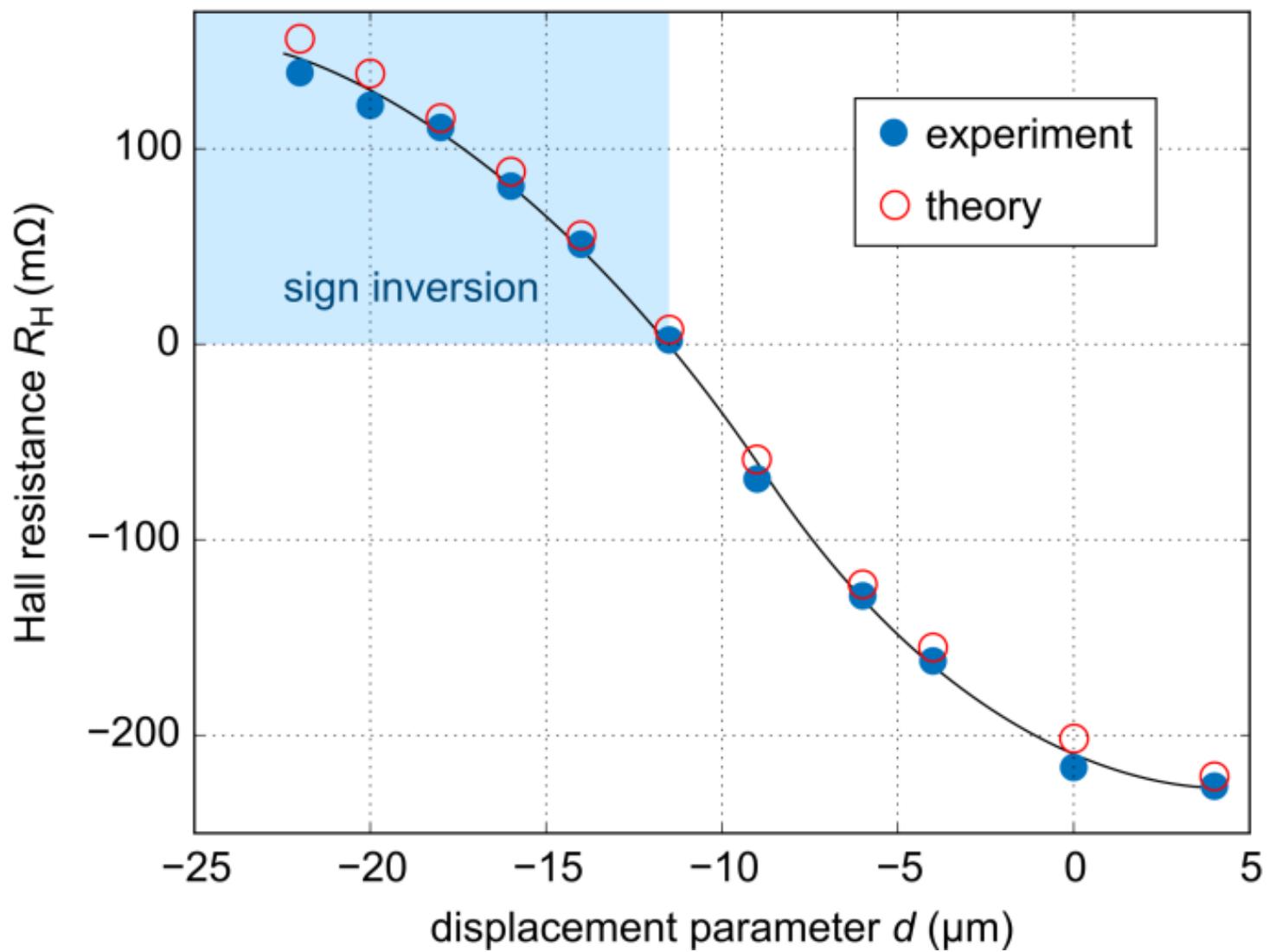


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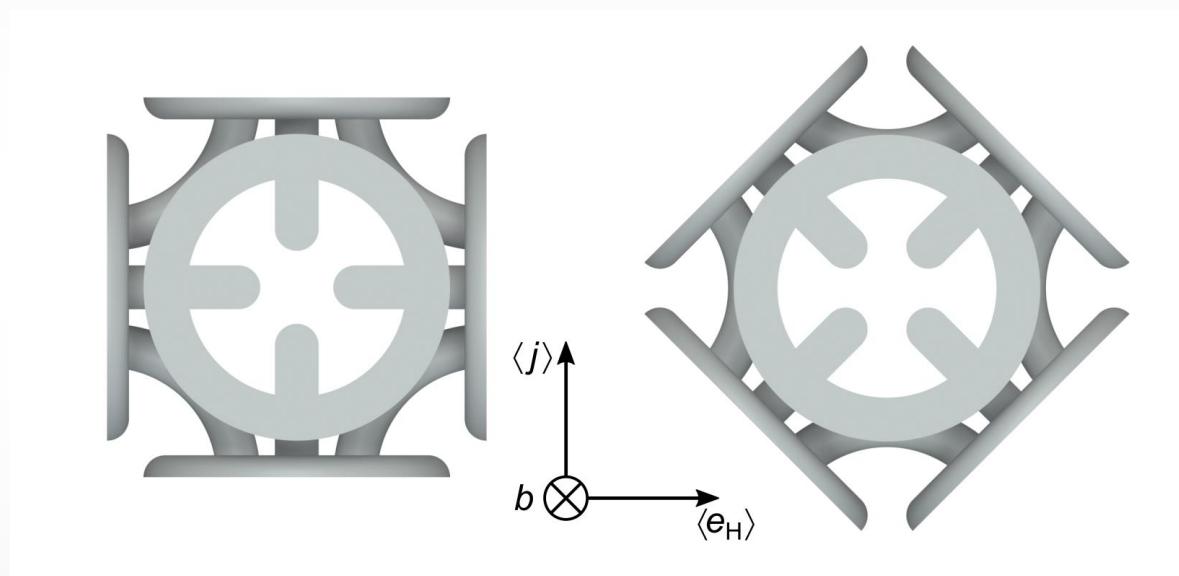
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300 μm



What happens for other unit cell orientations?



Symmetry considerations

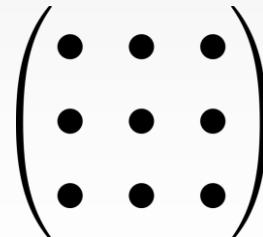
Neumann's principle

If a system has a certain group of symmetry operations then any physical observable of that system must also possess these symmetry operations.

- Symmetry of the microstructure gives us the form of the effective tensors

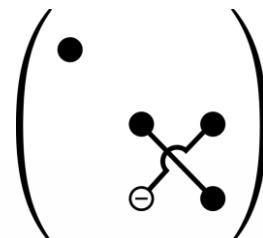
Symmetry considerations

Triclinic



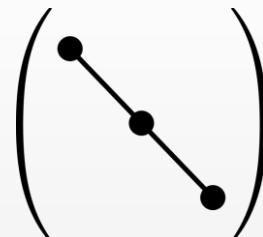
Tetragonal

One four-fold rotational axis

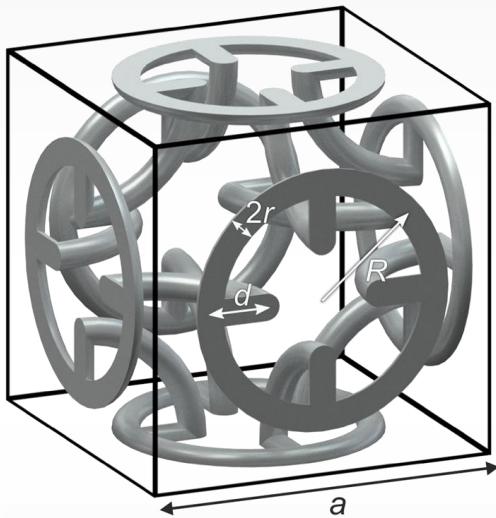


Cubic

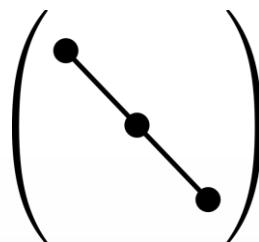
Four three-fold rotational axes

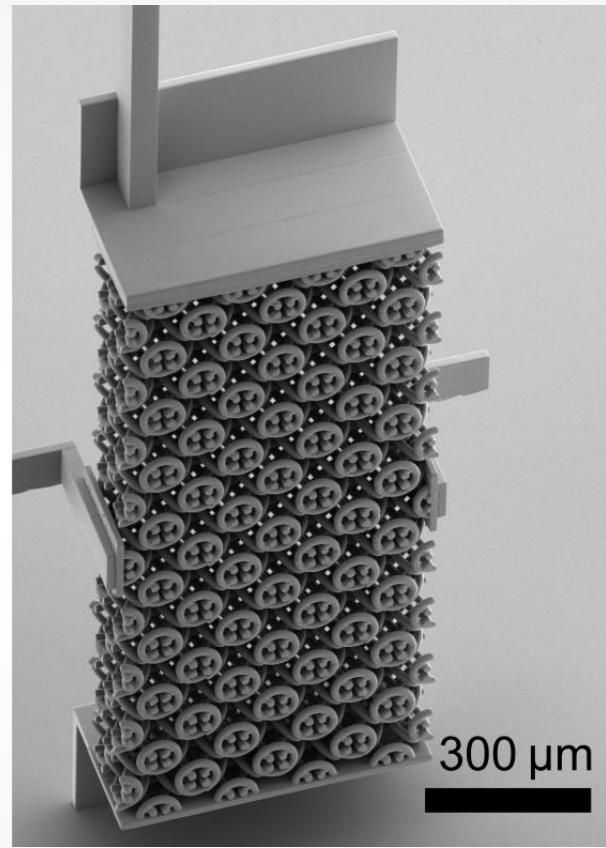
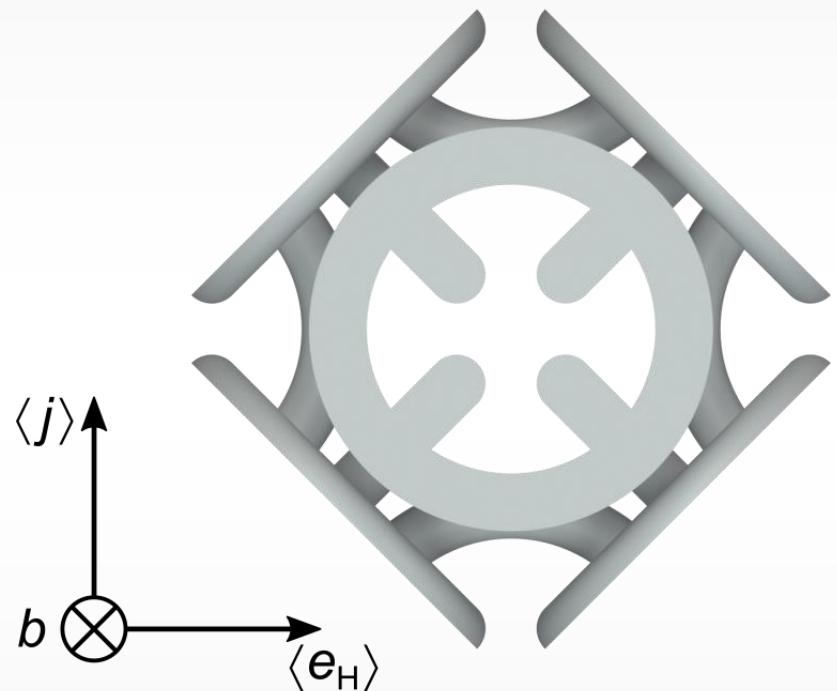


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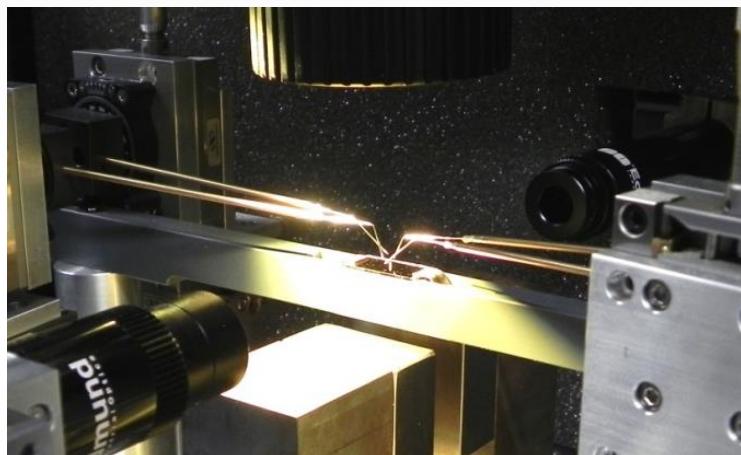
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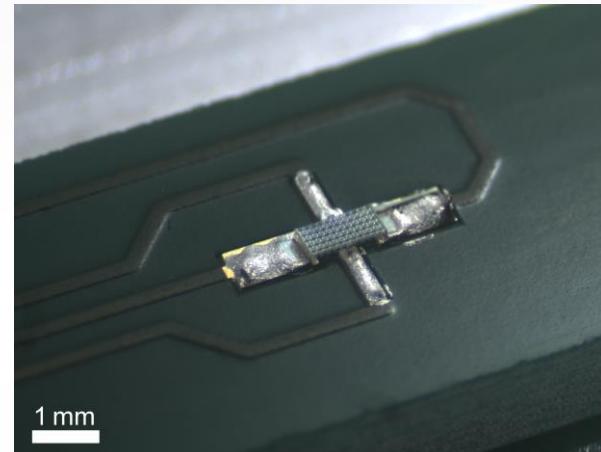


Current state of experiments

Probe station based

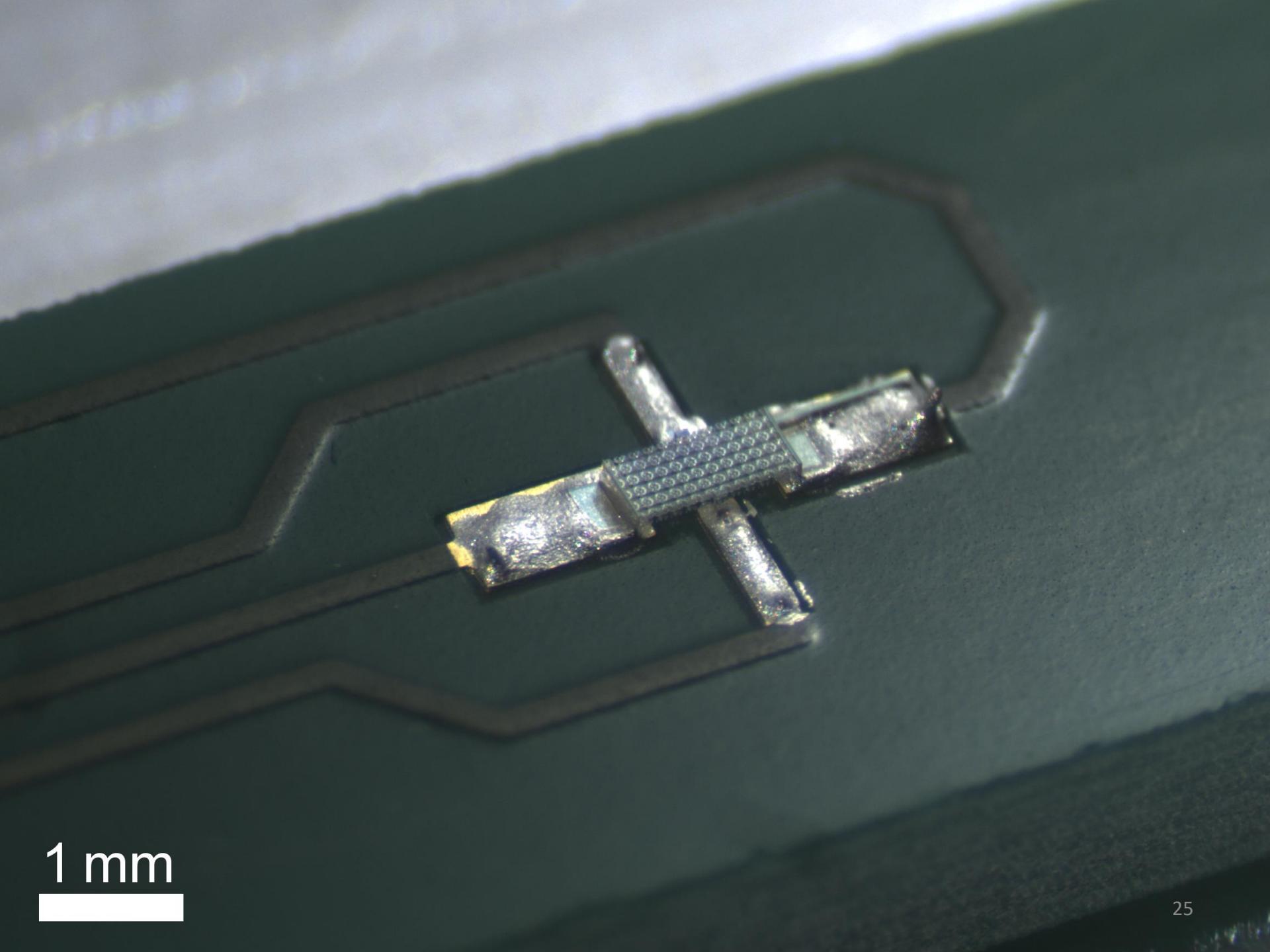


Integrated device

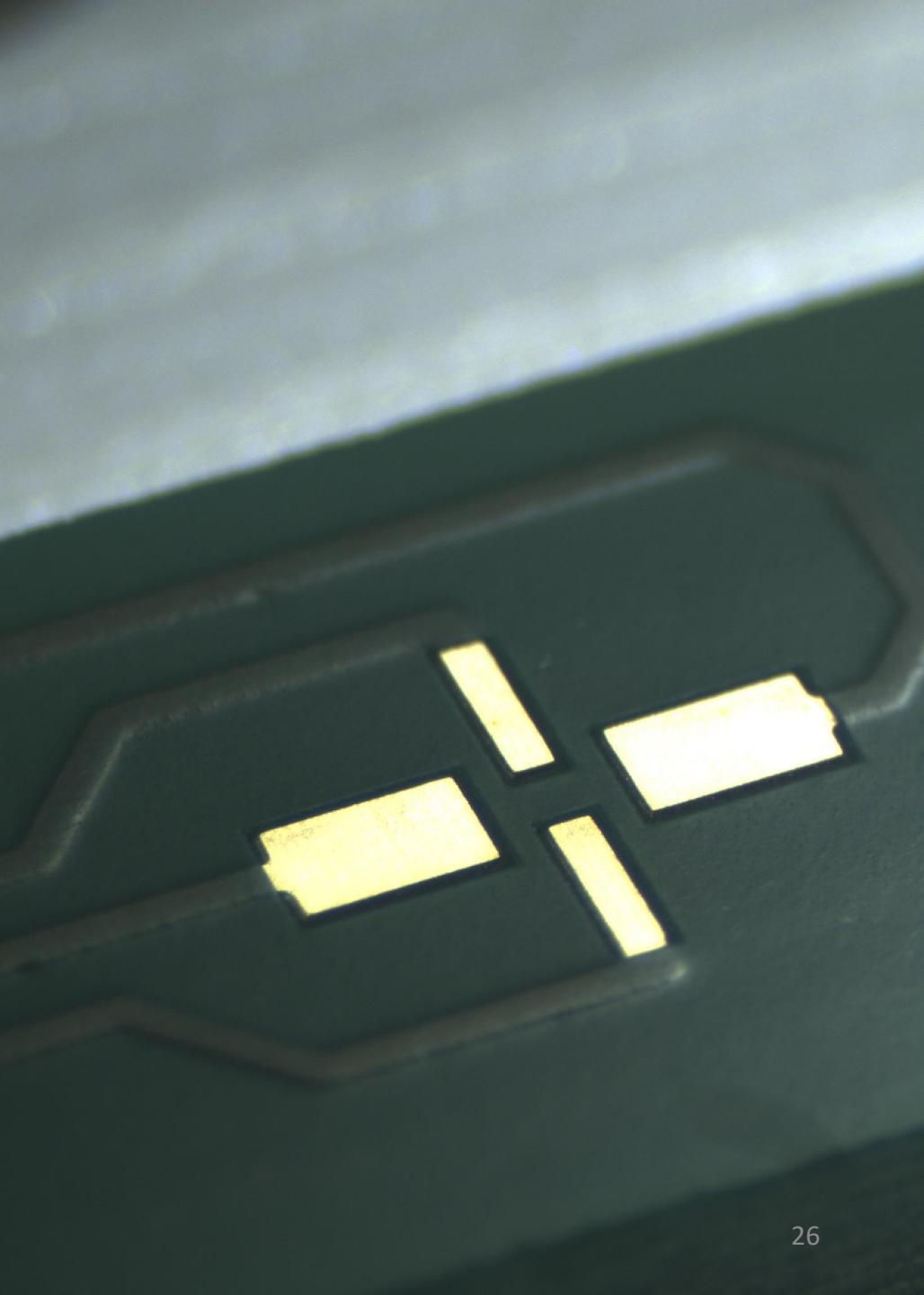
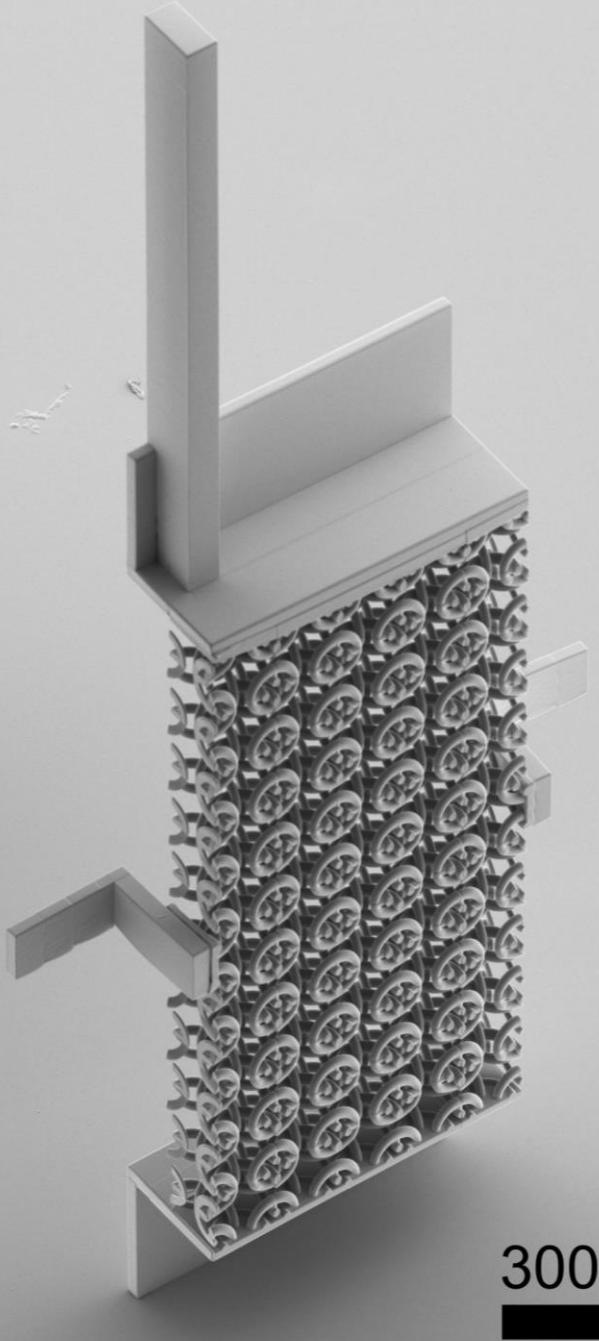


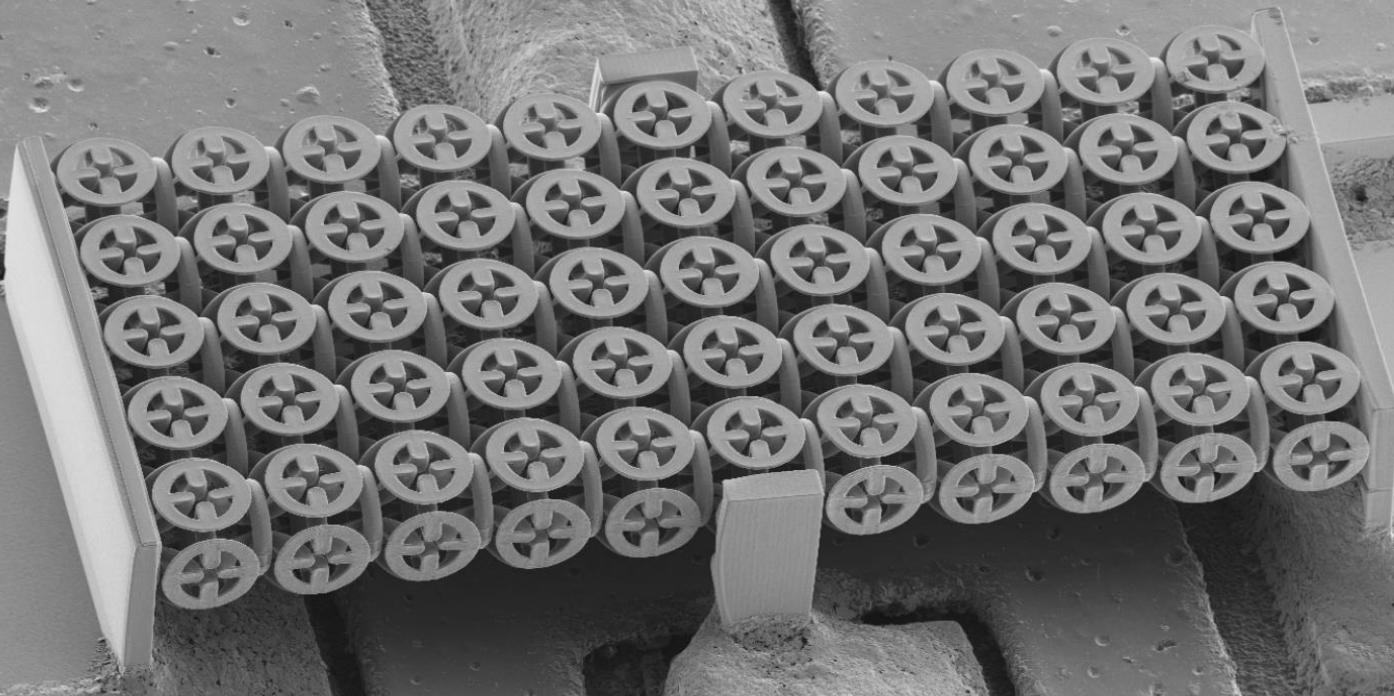
- “Less demanding” fabrication

- Facilitates measurements
- Prerequisite for applications

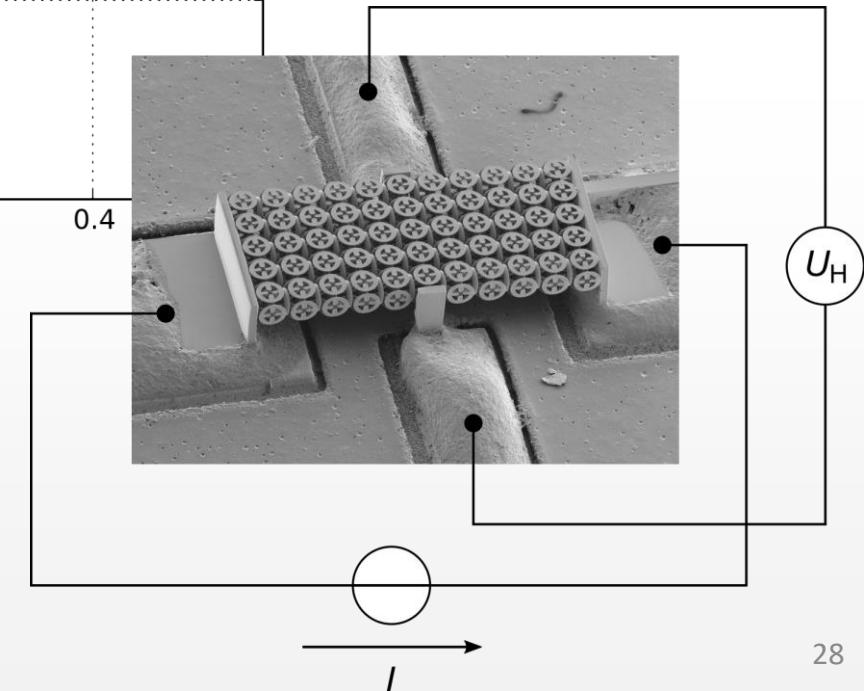
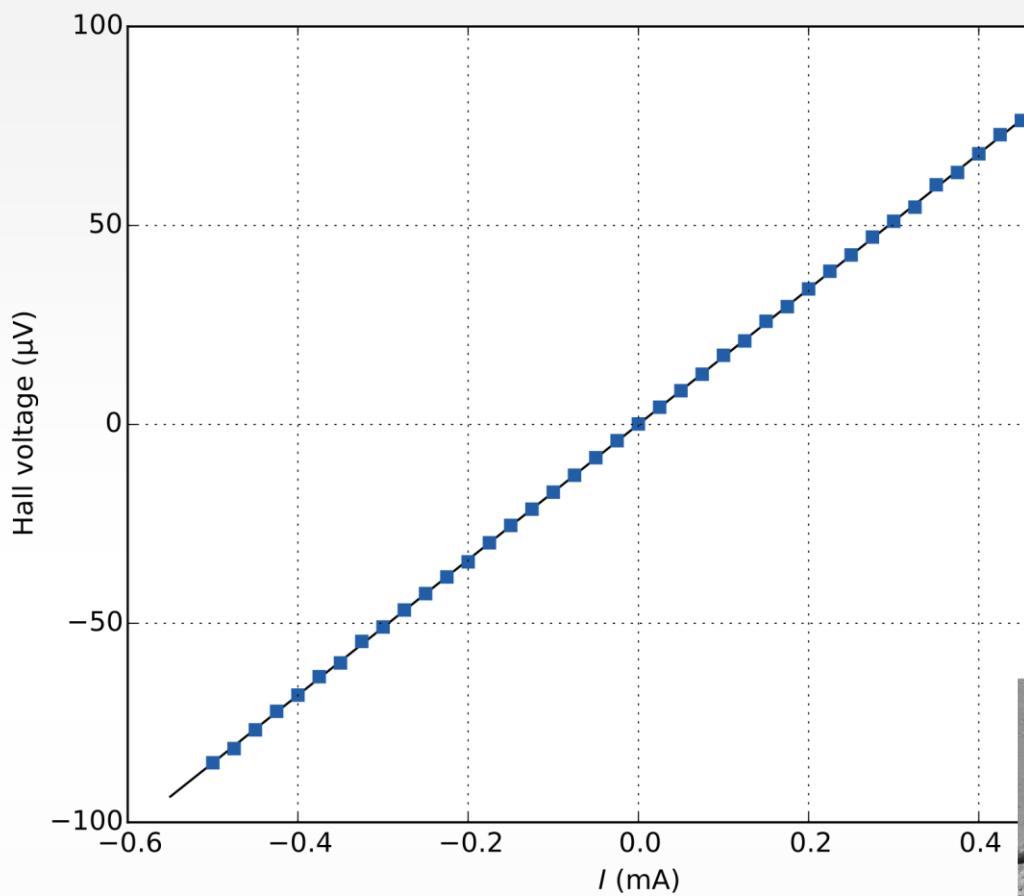


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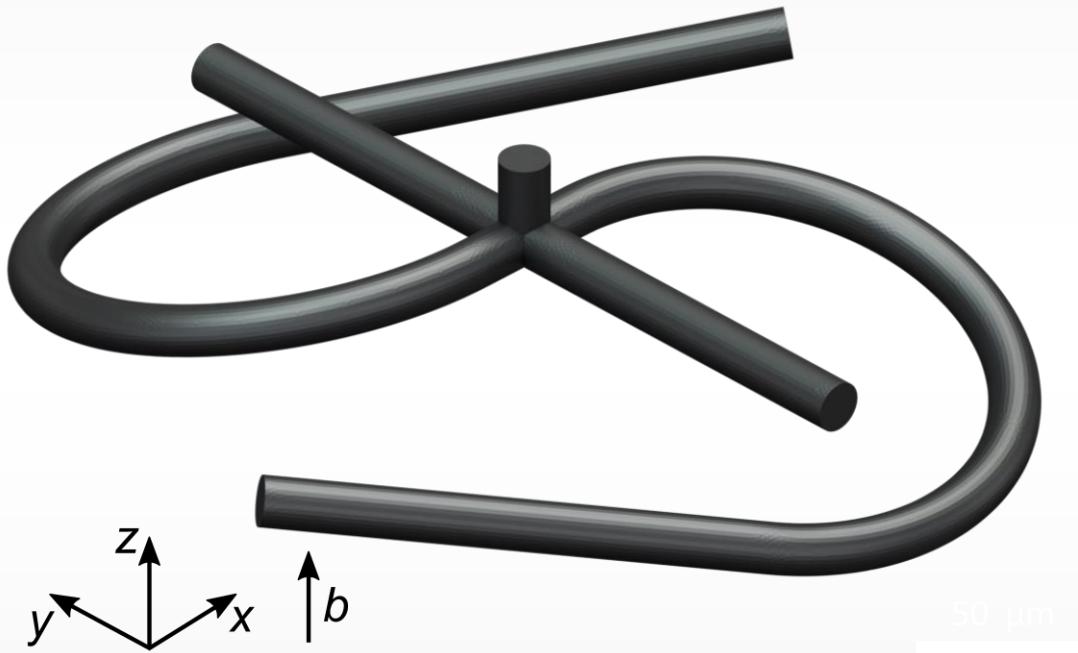


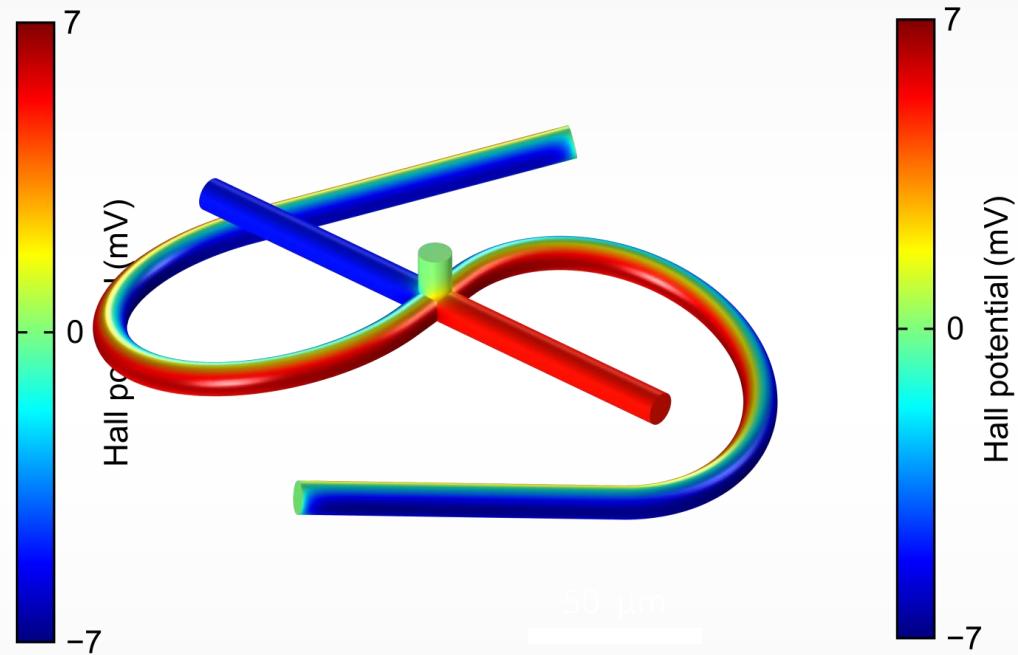
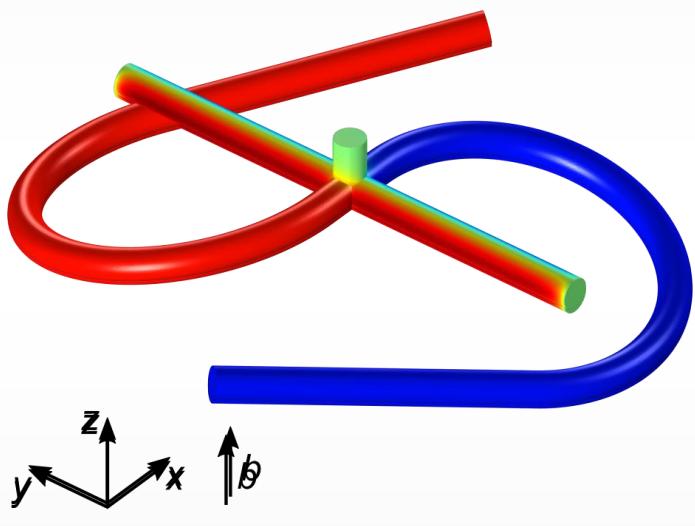


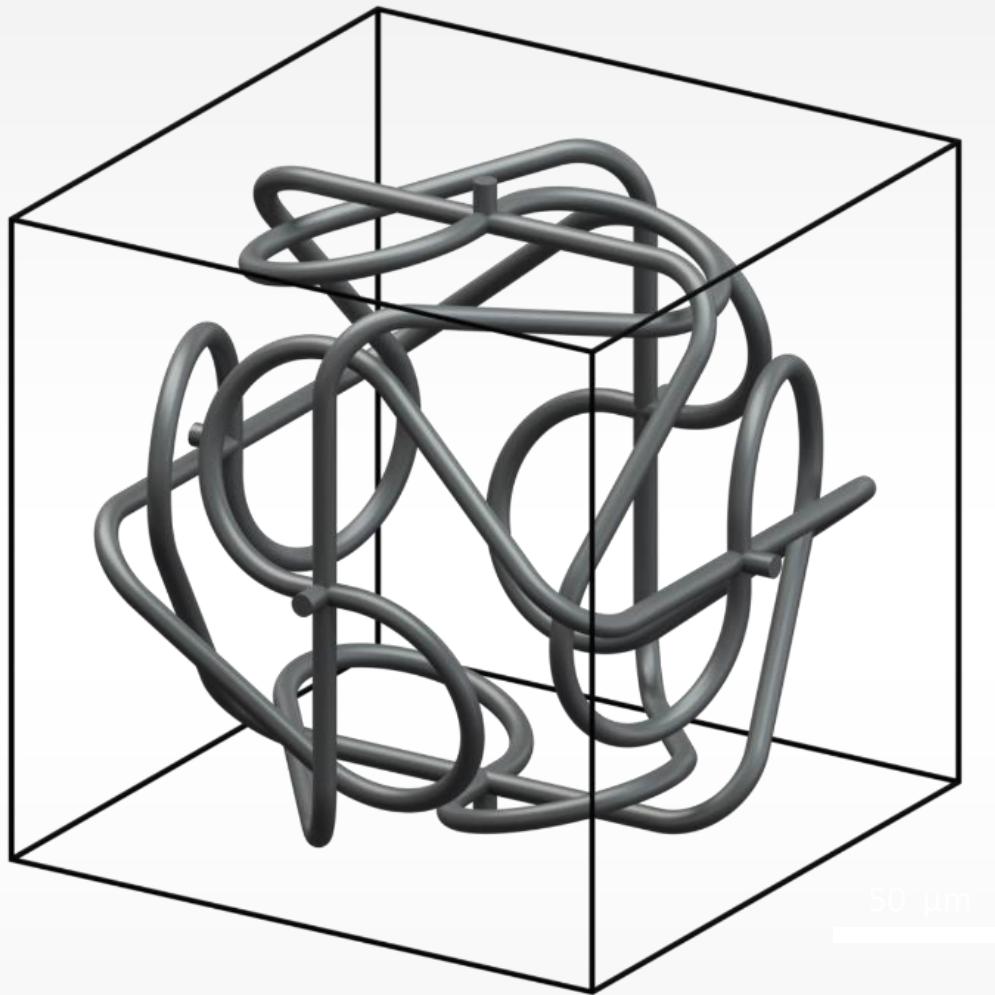
300 μm



Are there other composites showing a sign-inverted effective Hall coefficient?







$$\text{Cof}(\sigma_0^*) A_H^* = \langle \text{Cof}(\sigma_0 \nabla \Phi)^\top A_H \rangle$$

Anisotropic structures

An antisymmetric Hall tensor

$$\mathbf{A}_H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{23} \\ 0 & -A_{23} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

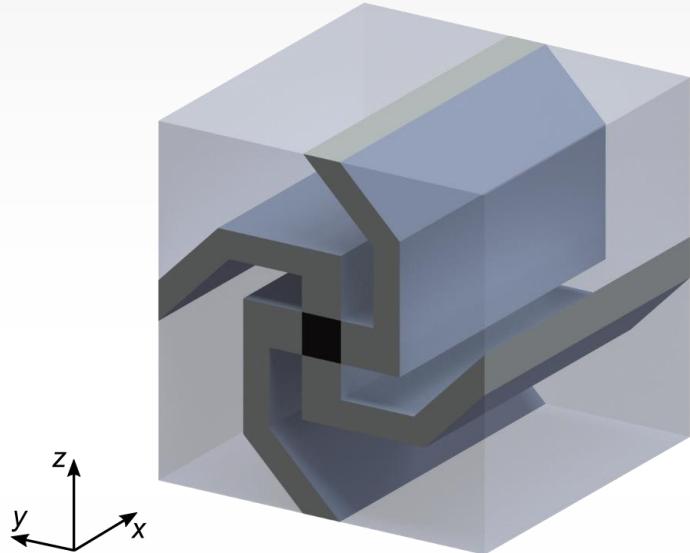
Current along \hat{x} , magnetic field in the yz -plane

$$\mathbf{j} = j_x \hat{x} \quad \mathbf{b} = b_y \hat{y} + b_z \hat{z}$$

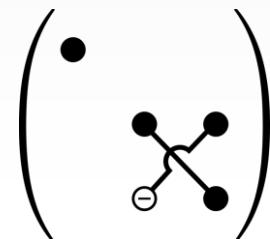
$$\longrightarrow \mathbf{e}_H = \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{A}_H \mathbf{b}) \mathbf{j} = -A_{23} j_x (b_y \hat{y} + b_z \hat{z})$$

The Hall electric field is parallel to the magnetic field: ***Parallel Hall effect***

An antisymmetric Hall tensor

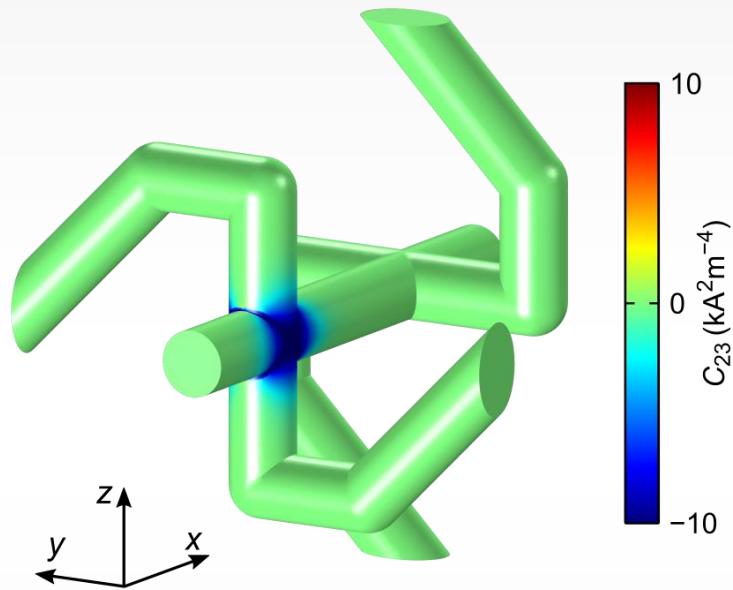


Tetragonal symmetry implies

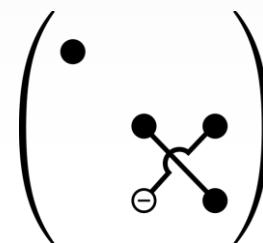


$$\mathbf{A}_H^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_H^0$$

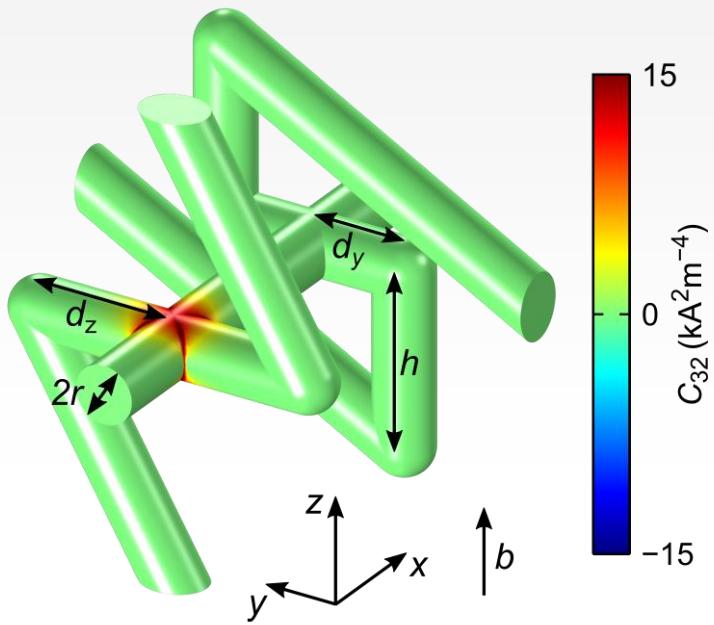
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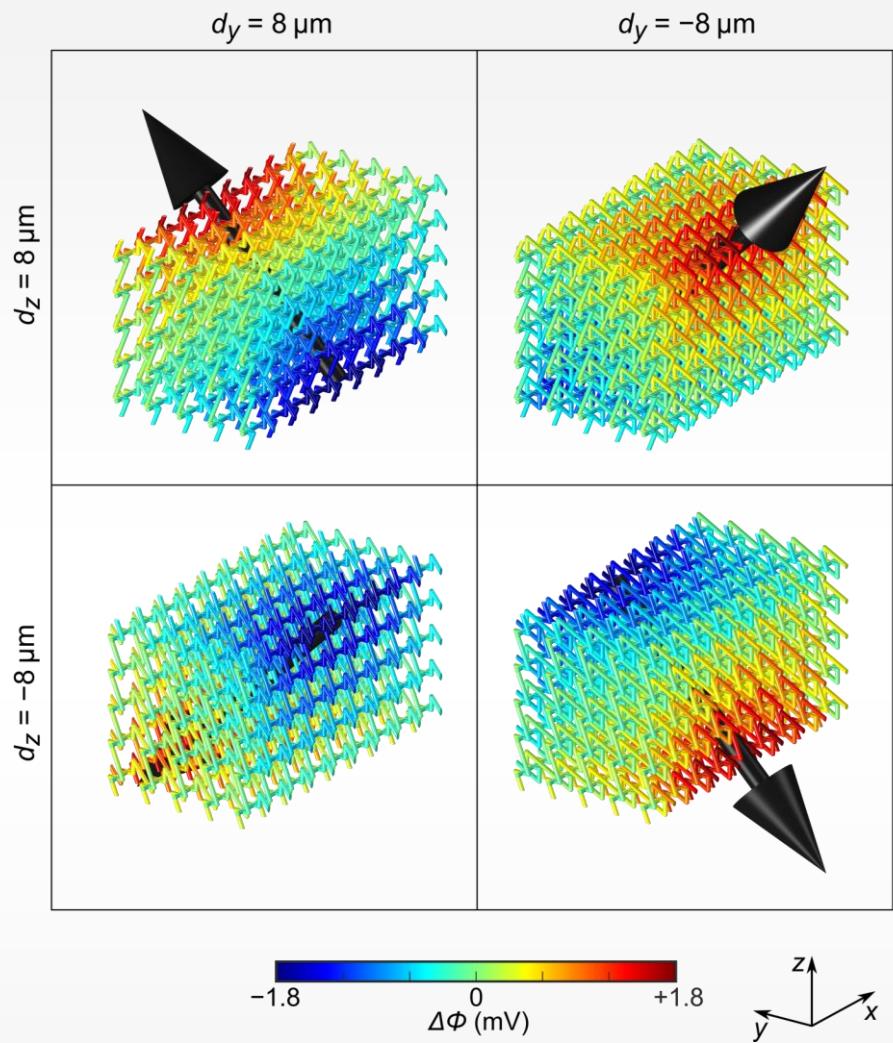


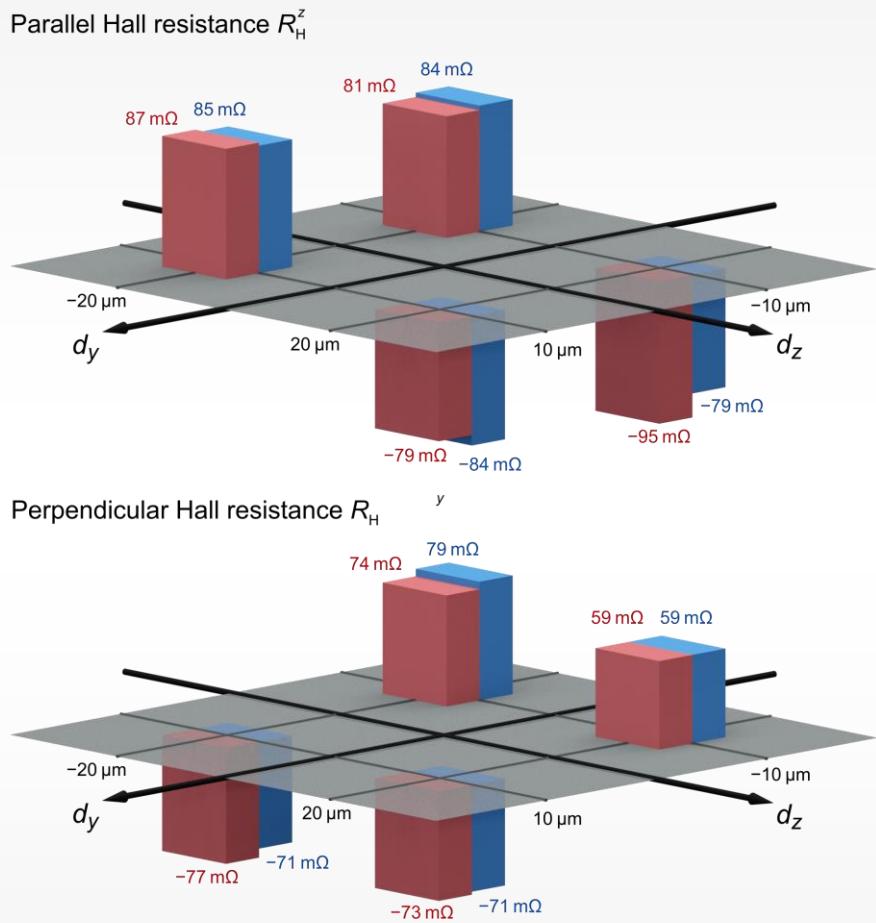
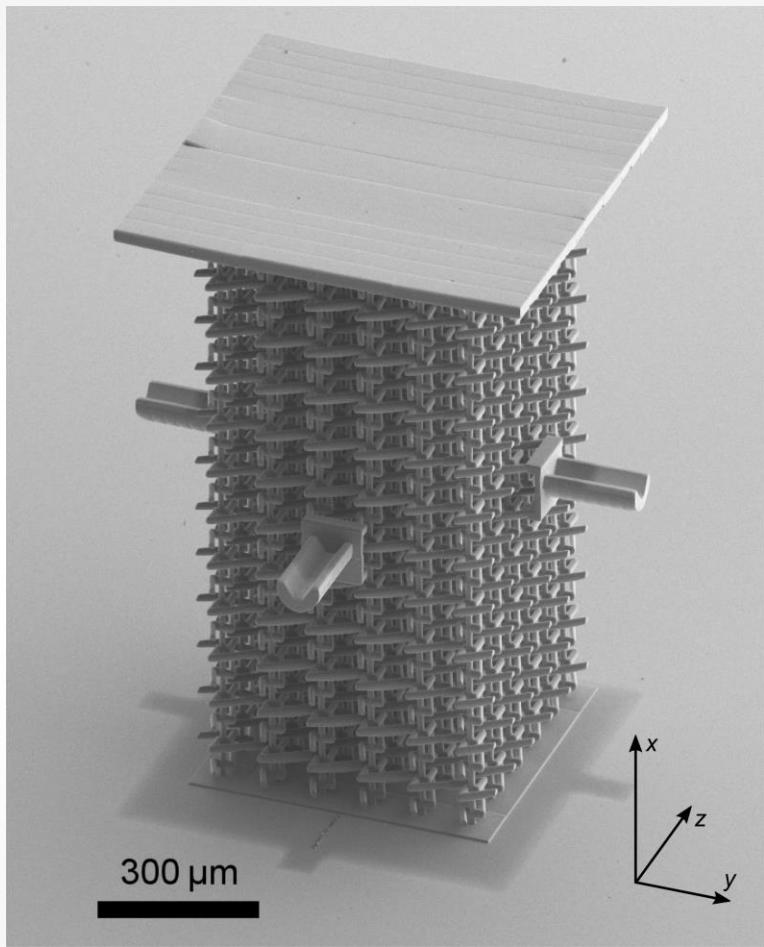
$$A_H^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.05 & 8.81 \\ 0 & -8.81 & 0.05 \end{pmatrix} A_H^0$$

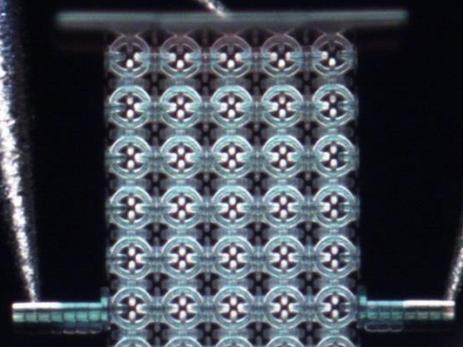


Monoclinic symmetry implies

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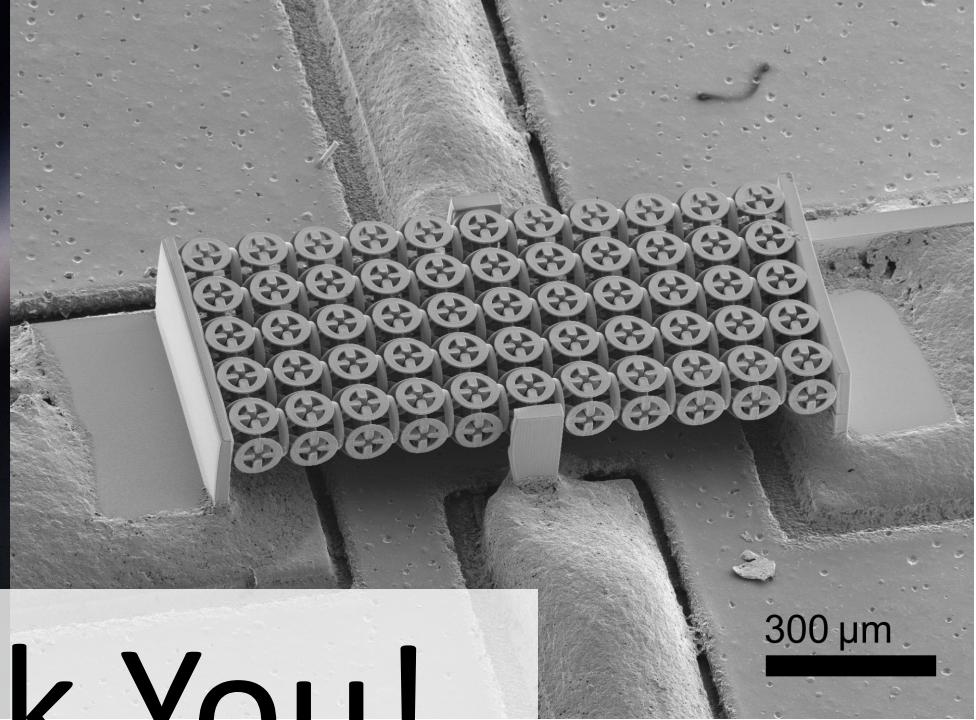
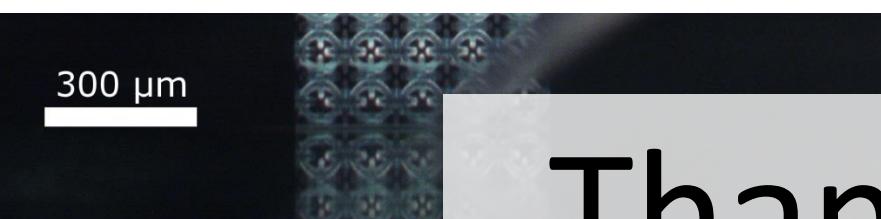




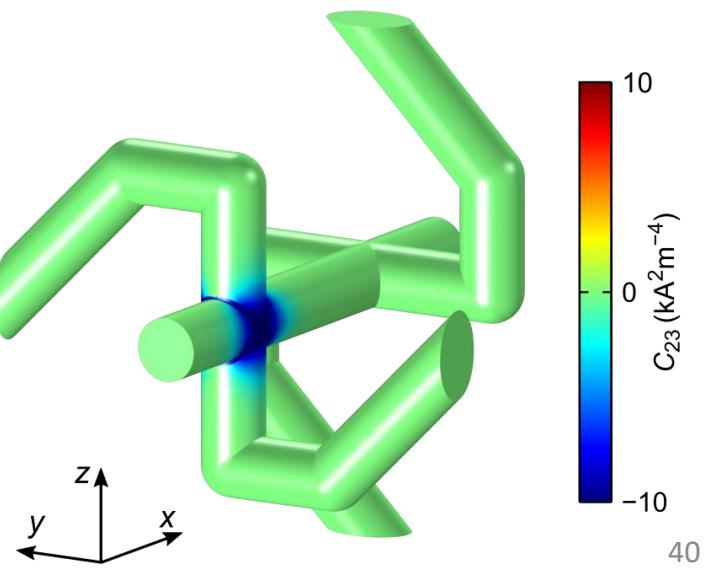
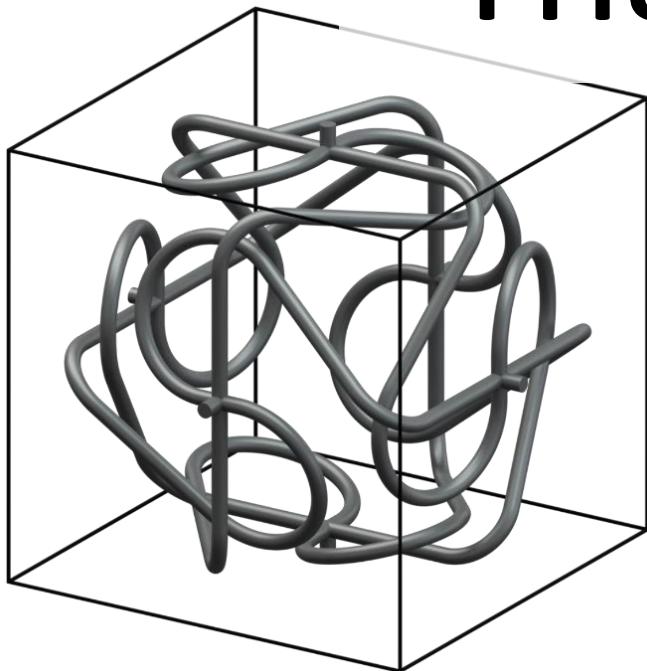


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300 μm



Thank You!



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