

# DeMeGRaS

Detection mechanisms in graphene radiation sensors



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# The main achievements:

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Despite:  
Covid-19 pandemic has taken its toll on  
plans and activities

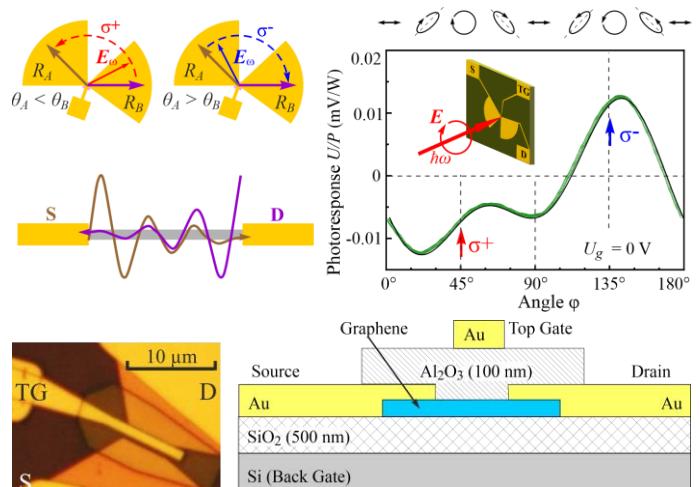
**13** published papers (w. ackn. to DeMeGRaS)  
(incl. Phys Rev B, ACS Photonics, Nano Lett, Opt Express)

**3** manuscripts submitted/in preparation:  
(incl. Nature Photonics)

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## • Helicity-Sensitive Plasmonic Terahertz Interferometer

- based on GFET with asymmetric bow-tie antennas.
- helicity- and phase-sensitive conversion of circularly polarized radiation into dc photovoltage caused by the plasmon-interference mechanism.
- dc signal changes sign with inversion of the helicity.
- our plasmonic interferometer can measure the phase difference between two arbitrary optical signals.



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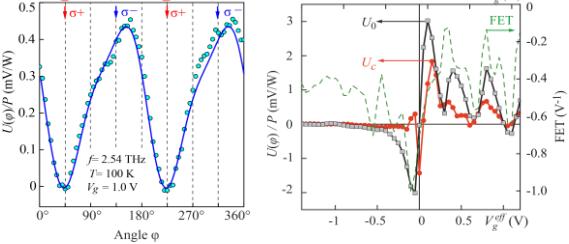
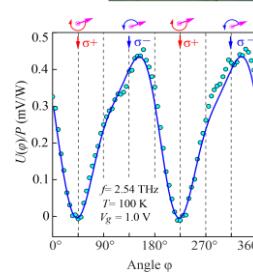
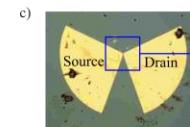
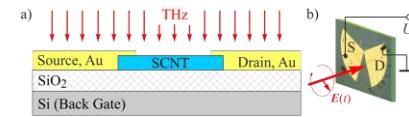
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- Carbon nanotubes for polarization sensitive terahertz plasmonic interferometry

- CNT lengths 0.8  $\mu\text{m}$  & 2.8  $\mu\text{m}$
- Diameters of both CNTs 2-4 nm.
- Bow-tie antenna + a field-effect transistor



- Helicity sensitive photovoltaic THz response
- The effect is a fingerprint of the plasma waves interference in the transistor channel.

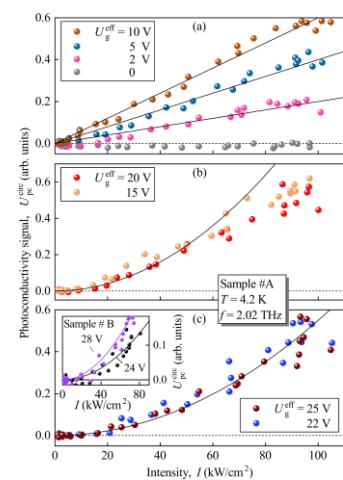
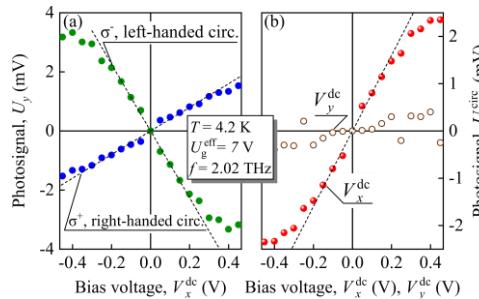
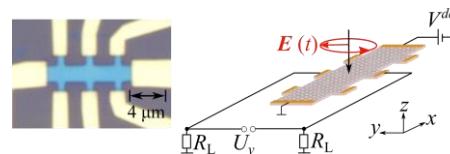


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- THz radiation induced circular Hall effect in graphene

- circular transversal THz photoconductivity
- dc Hall effect manifests the time-inversion symmetry breaking by circularly polarized THz radiation in the zero magnetic field.
- the interplay of the 2- and 4-order effects in the radiation electric field



$$\begin{aligned} j_x &= \gamma_1 |\mathbf{E}|^2 E_x^{\text{dc}}, \\ j_y &= \eta \gamma_3 |\mathbf{E}|^2 E_x^{\text{dc}} \end{aligned}$$

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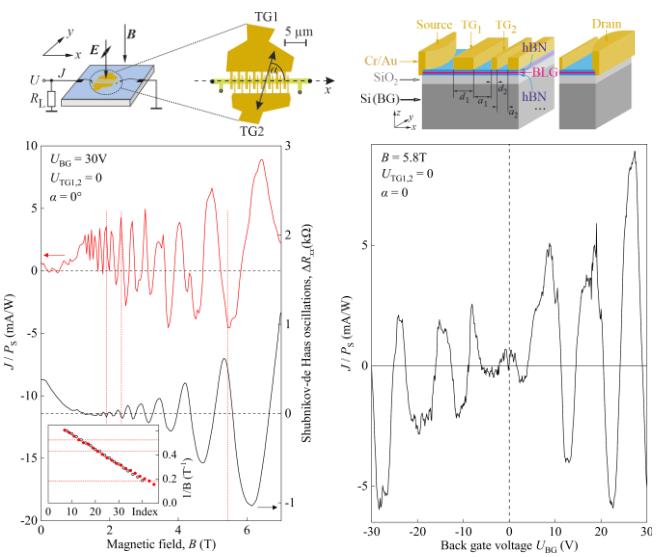
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- Giant ratchet magneto-photocurrent in graphene lateral superlattices

- Magnetic quantum ratchet effect in graphene with an *asymmetric* lateral dual-grating top gate.
- Photoresponses sensitive to the orientation of radiation **electric field** (linear ratchet), **radiation helicity** (circular ratchet) and the **polarization independent** one (Seebeck ratchet)
- The THz ratchet shows  $1/B$  magneto-oscillations in phase with the Shubnikov–de Haas effect
- The amplitude of the oscillations is greatly enhanced by magnetic field. Giant oscillations are also observed as functions of  $V_{tg}$ .

$$\Xi = \overline{|\mathbf{E}(x)|^2 \frac{dV(x)}{dx}}$$

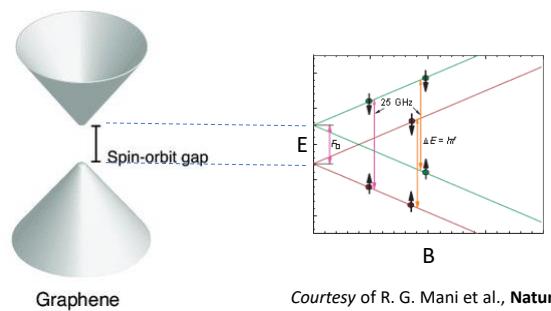
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- Temperature Tunable Zero-Field Splittings in Graphene-based THz detectors

- The spin orbit interaction in graphene is weak and the zero-field splitting (ZFS) or spin-orbit gap is small.
- However, probing it is of great interest as this gap is topologically non trivial.
- Recent Electron Spin Resonance (EPR) experiments have shown that this gap is on the order of 45 μeV
- THz detectors may serve as complementary tools to probe the fine structure of EPR



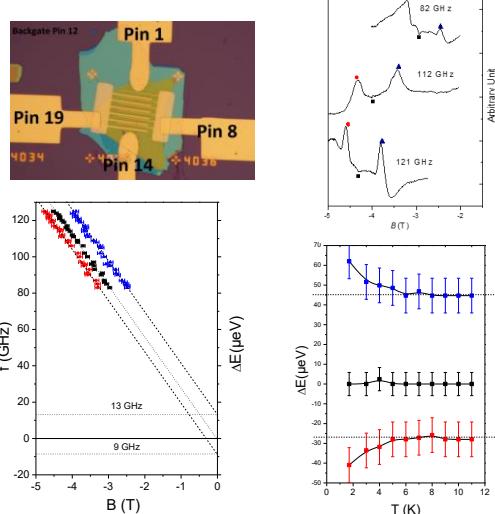
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- Temperature Tunable Zero-Field Splittings in Graphene-based THz detectors

- THz detectors allow to detect spin resonances (i.e. spin-flip transitions) by photoconductivity technique
- The fourfold degeneracy of graphene in K and K' points is lifted by the SO coupling to produce a pair of spin degenerate levels.
- The spin degeneracy is lifted by the Zeeman effect in the magnetic field  $B$
- Extrapolation of the results as a function of  $B$  allow to extract the ZFS of 13 GHz ( $\sim 50 \mu\text{eV}$ )
- Moreover, unexpectedly, this spin-orbit gap changes with temperature. This may be due to the temperature induced strain effect on the graphene layer.

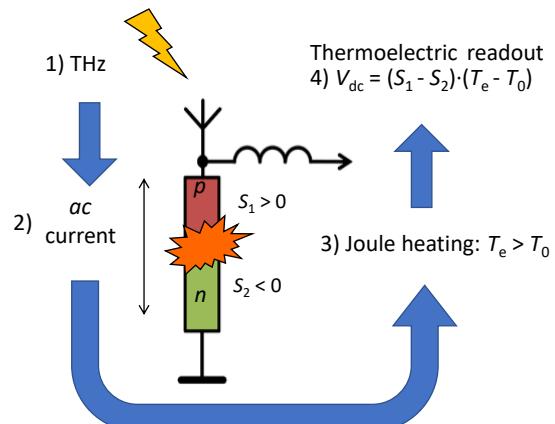


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- Thermoelectric readout in graphene radiation sensors

- Graphene parts with different doping ( $p-n$  junction).
- Weak  $e\text{-}ph$  coupling + Joule heating:  $T_e > T_0$  is easy.
- The Seebeck coefficient  $S$  of graphene is large  $\sim 100 \mu\text{V/K}$  → large signal
- No bias → no  $1/f$  noise
- Contrary to anti-heating prejudice, the  $e$ -heating is fast

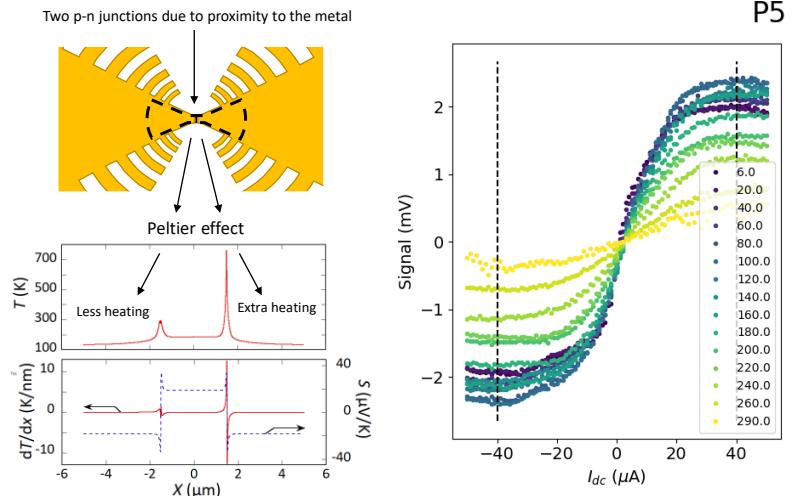


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- Current induced asymmetry in graphene detector turns thermoelectric readout on

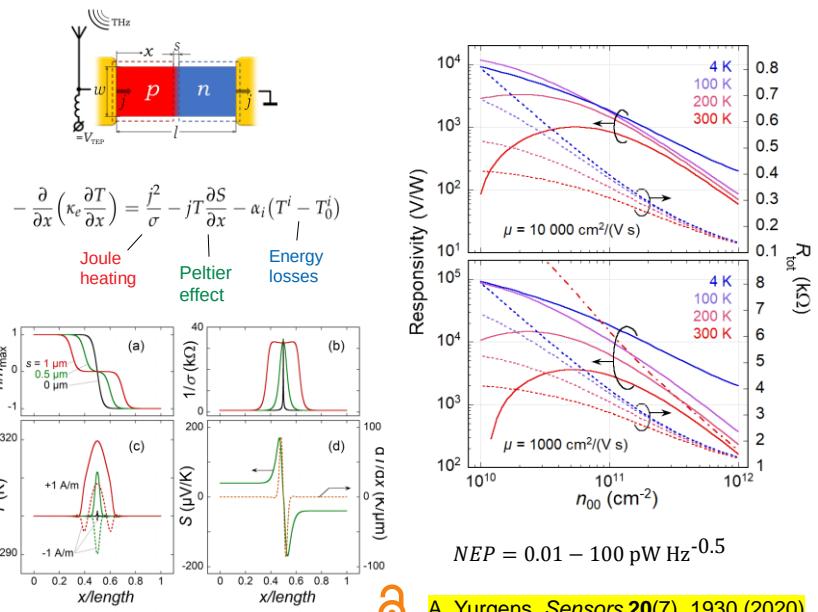
- Two identical  $p-n$  junctions near each electrode = initial symmetry
- DC current induces additional heating in one- and cooling in another  $p-n$  junction = asymmetry
- AC current gets rectified because of the asymmetry
- Variable sensitivity



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- Thermoelectric readout: responsivity in the ideal case

- Large responsivity  $\sim 10^3 - 10^5 \text{ V/W}$
- Mobility is only important to keep the overall resistance low.
- Peltier effect is significant
- Graphene uniformity ( $n_{00}$ ) is the key parameter



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Overall outcome: 13 papers published and 3 in preparation

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