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Answer:

The physical property considered in PRL 112, 085503 (2014) and in our manuscript are completely different although both are related to magnetism and vibrational modes. In fact, both effects should coexist.

In PRL 112, 085503 (2014) the angular momentum due to the displacement of the atom out of the equilibrium is studied and Eq. 4 refers to a model hamiltonian for the crystal lattice (atoms) in a uniform magnetic field.

In our work we treat the response of the electron gas to the perturbation generated by a phonon of finite q in the crystal. In our theory the key point is that electrons with momentum k and $-k$ couple differently to phonons with finite q and the existence of a finite population of spin polarization is due to the symmetry breaking within the Brillouin zone. Therefore, the angular momentum of individual atoms is not considered in relation to the magnetism as in PRL 112, 085503 (2014). For example, the spin response of the electron gas is null for a phonon with $q=0$ whereas PRL 112, 085503 (2014) would describe a finite contribution. It is clear that both works correspond to different physics.

The vector potential in Eq. 4 of PRL 112, 085503 (2014) describes the coupling of the angular momentum of individual atoms to an external magnetic field. Though interesting, we do not

consider this contribution but a new one related to the response of the electron gas. We calculate the SCF potential due to the phonon propagation considering the full non-collinear response of the electron gas in first order of perturbation theory.

In order to make this clear we have added the following to the end of the long paragraph starting in page 3 (extending to the beginning of page 4)

“At this point it is worth to mention that the magnetic polarization of the electron gas as described in this manuscript does not have a relation with the angular momentum of the atoms as described by Zhang et al. in \cite{Niu2014}. In our theory linearly polarized phonons with null angular momentum give a finite and meaningful contribution to the magnetization. It is therefore clear that the physics described in \cite{Niu2014} is different and not connected to the spin response of the electron gas as described in the present work.”

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The referee understood correctly. The variation of the 4-component density is

$$\delta \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \text{Re} \left[\left(\delta \tilde{n}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^0(\mathbf{r}) \sigma_0 + \delta \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r}) \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right) e^{-i\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu} t} \right] = \delta n_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^0(\mathbf{r}, t) \sigma_0 + \delta \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r}, t) \boldsymbol{\sigma}.$$

Therefore, the magnetic fluctuation should be

$$\overline{\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha} = \sqrt{\int_{\Omega} \frac{d^3 \mathbf{r}}{\Omega} (\langle \delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r}, t)^2 \rangle_T - \langle \delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r}, t) \rangle_T^2)}.$$

But as the average of the trigonometric function is null

$$\langle \delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r}, t) \rangle_T^2 = 0 ,$$

we have simply that

$$\overline{\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha} = \sqrt{\int_{\Omega} \frac{d^3 \mathbf{r}}{\Omega} \langle \delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r}, t)^2 \rangle_T}.$$

Expanding the above equation considering the trigonometric terms and the real and imaginary components of the density response one obtains the following,

$$\begin{aligned} (\overline{\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha})^2 &= \int_{\Omega} \frac{d^3 \mathbf{r}}{\Omega} \langle \delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r}, t)^2 \rangle_T = \langle \langle \text{Re} [\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r}) e^{it\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu}}]^2 \rangle_T \rangle_r \\ &= \langle \text{Re} [\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r})]^2 \rangle_r \langle \cos^2(t\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu}) \rangle_T + \langle \text{Im} [\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r})]^2 \rangle_r \langle \sin^2(t\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu}) \rangle_T \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\langle \text{Re} [\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r})]^2 \rangle_r + \langle \text{Im} [\delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^\alpha(\mathbf{r})]^2 \rangle_r \right) \end{aligned}$$

Where we have taken into account that

$$\langle \cos^2(t\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu}) \rangle_T = \langle \sin^2(t\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu}) \rangle_T = \frac{1}{2} \quad ; \quad \langle \sin(t\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu}) \cos(t\omega_{\mathbf{q},\nu}) \rangle_T = 0$$

Thought the calculations are correct there is typo in our Eq. 2 where the 1/2 was missing in the previous version of the manuscript. We have corrected it in the present version.

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We are very grateful to Referee 2 for the positive comments and acknowledging the importance of our contribution.

The referee is right. The role of broken spatial inversion is to generate a non-trivial spin polarization and WSe₂ is already non-centrosymmetric. The only requirement to obtain a meaningful spin response of the electron gas as we describe it in this manuscript is to have a spin polarization in the Brillouin zone and a phonon mode with finite momentum.

In the new version of the manuscript we mention this point and the importance of the absence of inversion symmetry at the end of page 2 where we have added the following:

“...is completely general for crystals with spin-orbit coupling since the only requirement is a non-trivial pattern of the spin-polarization within the BZ associated to the absence of inversion symmetry [1].”

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We thank the referee for this comment. In fact the main effort in our manuscript it to show that the effect is meaningful. Comparing the scalar charge density (Fig. 2b) with the magnetic contributions (Fig. 2a) is the most straightforward way to see the expected effect. In the case of WSe₂ we find that the magnetic contributions only one order of magnitude smaller than the scalar one, as mentioned in the main paragraph of page 3 (it is actually only 5 times smaller).

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1. The color map for the magnitude of in-plane magnetization in real space is missing in Figure 1.

To avoid confusion with the colorbar of the displacement of the W atom in the z direction, we have intentionally omitted this colorbar. The arrows have been scaled to make them visible in the unit cell. We have modified the caption of the figure as follows:

“The coloured vector field is proportional to the in-plane magnetization at each point in real space, with yellow/light (blue/dark) arrows representing the largest (smallest) values. These arrows as well as the displacements of the Se atoms have been scaled to make them visible in the unit cell.”

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The main paragraph of page 3 discusses in detail all the atomic polarization-vector dependence and many other details related to physical phenomena described in the present work. We would be grateful to the Referee if he suggested any additional point he considers relevant but missing in the present version.

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The distinction of acoustic and optical modes is meaningful only for small momenta where all modes give a similar contribution in order of magnitude. In the border of the BZ the lowest energy modes (already without acoustic character) give a significant contribution but this is related mainly to the importance of the components of $\mathbf{W}$ to the polarization vector as mentioned in the caption of Fig. 3. The arrows in the insets of Figs 3b and 3c (for $q=K$) are proportional to the atomic displacements of the atoms. The larger the displacement of the atom (as it happens in the acoustic branches), the larger the magnetization the corresponding phonon induces.

We understand that in this journal the captions of figures play an important role and caption of Fig.3 discusses this point but if the referee or the Editor considers it relevant we could add an additional comment in the main text.

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Review Report

Re: COMMSPHYS-19-0189A-Z

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by Idoia G. Gurtubay, Asier Eiguren

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We are very grateful to the referee for appreciating the novelty of our contributions and the recommendation to collaborate with research teams in the experimental field.

Our manuscript gives the clues to observe this phenomenon in an experimental way, since the dynamic structure factor is accessible by means of several experimental techniques (inelastic x-ray scattering, neutron etc.) as we mentioned in our work. It is worth mentioning that we have already been in contact with some members of the research group "Structure and microscopic properties in solids" in our faculty (<http://www.cryst.ehu.es/>), and particularly with Prof. Gotzon Madariaga, who is a specialist in X-ray scattering techniques. We hope this will serve us to confirm the phenomenon. In a second step we are planing to contact some group working with the measurement of magnetic properties of coherent phonons.

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Phonons generate a spin dependent perturbation which is different for electrons at time reversed momenta, and therefore behave effectively as an external magnetic field by lifting the Kramers degeneracy. This happens only when spin-orbit coupling and a perturbation with finite wave-length are present, because in this way the change of the spin polarization is not compensated within the Brillouin zone (BZ).

In fact, all points of the BZ contribute to the induced spin-density,

$$\rho_{\mathbf{q}}^{\sigma,\sigma'}(\mathbf{r}) \sim \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{g_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},\mathbf{k}}}{E_{\mathbf{k}} - E_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}} \Psi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma}(\mathbf{r})^* \Psi_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\sigma'}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{pmatrix} \rho_{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r}) + \delta m_{\mathbf{q}}^z(\mathbf{r}) & \delta m_{\mathbf{q}}^x(\mathbf{r}) - i\delta m_{\mathbf{q}}^y(\mathbf{r}) \\ \delta m_{\mathbf{q}}^x(\mathbf{r}) + i\delta m_{\mathbf{q}}^y(\mathbf{r}) & \delta \rho_{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r}) - \delta m_{\mathbf{q}}^z(\mathbf{r}) \end{pmatrix}$$

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but we can not state anything general for TR invariant $\mathbf{q}$ points (other than Γ). This is already stated in the paragraph between equation (1) and (2).

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We thank the referee for this question as we were not sufficiently clear in this point. The induced magnetization is a Bloch wave including a periodic part,

$$\vec{M}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r}) = \vec{m}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}} \quad , \quad \vec{m}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r}) = \vec{m}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{R})$$

For visualization purposes we needed to include the full Bloch wave (as in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2) but the key quantity in the structure factor ($S(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}, \omega)$) is the periodic part $\delta \vec{m}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r})$. The $\mathbf{G}$ components of $S(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G})$, $\int d^3\mathbf{r} e^{-i(\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{G})\mathbf{r}} \delta M_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}) = \int d^3\mathbf{r} e^{-i\mathbf{G}\mathbf{r}} \delta m_{\mathbf{q},\nu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{r})$, express the local field details inside a unit cell.

This quantity is the same in the $\Gamma - K$ and the $\Gamma - K'$ directions and fulfills all the rest of expected symmetries. Even though the Bloch wave is periodic in reciprocal space, $\vec{M}_{\mathbf{q},\nu}(\mathbf{r}) = \vec{M}_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{G},\nu}(\mathbf{r})$, we admit it may result misleading for representation in Fig. 3, as the extra phase affects the Bloch wave in a non-trivial way and causes an apparent lack of symmetry. For this reason and because it is the periodic part the one which enters the structure factor, we have represented this last quantity in the new version of our Fig. 3.

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Strictly speaking, the real space oscillations produce a vanishing net magnetization due to the sinusoidal modulation. However, the effect is appreciable at microscopic scale as a fluctuation of

the microscopic magnetization as expressed with the dynamical structure factor which is accessed by many experimental probes (Inelastic X-ray, neutron scattering, IEELS ect.). We also mention in the beginning of page 3 that the magnetization connected with phonons, as described in this article, may be directly traced to classical (coherent) phonons and probably a direct measurement may be possible also in this sense. Although we plan to continue investigating in this direction, we consider this subject is beyond the scope of this work.

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