

High-mobility Transport Anisotropy in Few-layer Black Phosphorous

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Introduction, Objectives, & Impact of Professor's Research

In Professor Wang's lab, we are working with two-dimensional materials, specifically black phosphorus and applying them to electronics and optoelectronics trying to make them energy efficient. Using few-layer black phosphorus crystals, we fabricate field-effect transistors and experiment with the new devices to see the impact black phosphorus could have on future technologies. Also, he impact that black phosphorus has is immense as it is favorable material that allows machines to have high performance and for developing mid-infrared polarizers and polarization sensors.

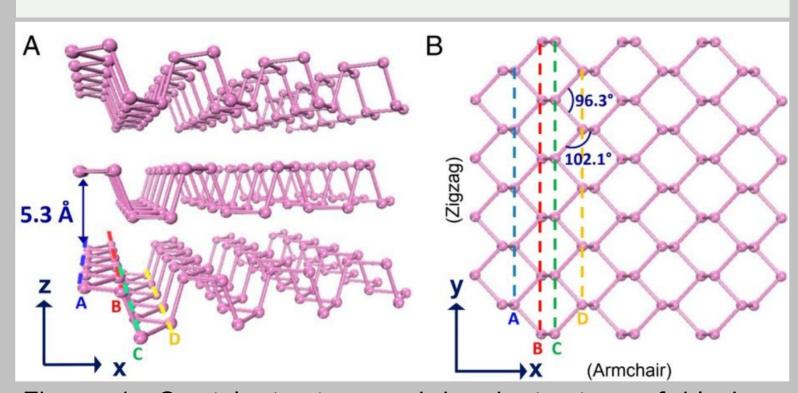
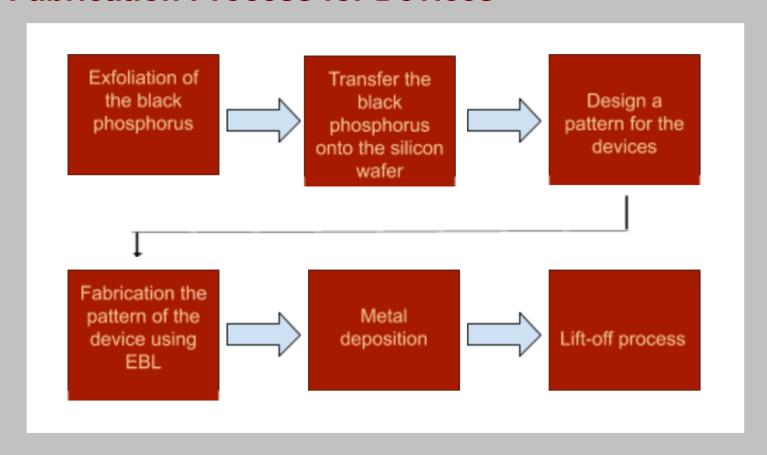


Figure 1. Crystal structure and band structure of black Phosphorus (BP). (A) Side view of the BP crystal lattice. The interlayer spacing is 0.53 nm. (B) Top view of the lattice of single-layer BP.

Fabrication Process for Devices



Measurements and Results

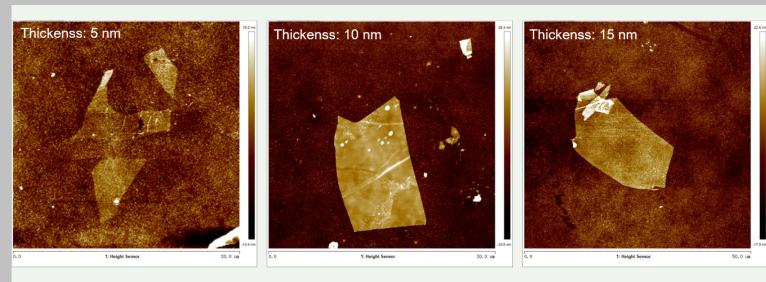


Figure 2. AFM image of exfoliated few layered BP crystal with different thicknesses.

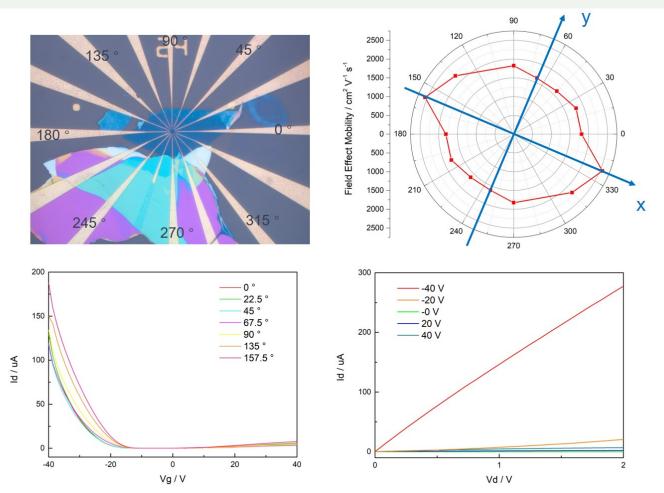


Figure 3. We fabricated the device for polarization measurement. we measure a mobility of 2559 and 1617 cm2V-1s-1 along the light (x) and heavy (y) effective mass directions. BP along x direction exhibit an on–off current ratio exceeding 105.

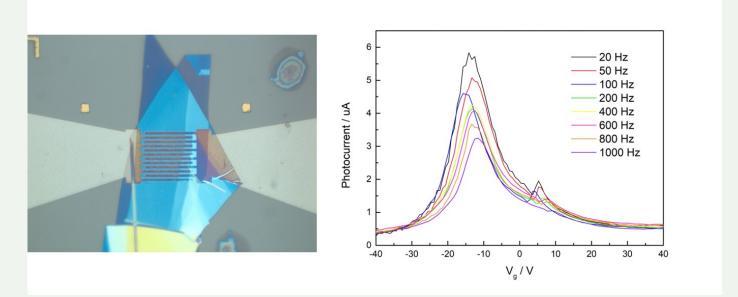


Figure 4. We also fabricated a device for photo-detection. We measured the photoresponse at IR with wavelength=3.39 um and power=20 uW.

How This Relates to Your STEM Coursework and Skills Learned

In the time I spent at Professor Wang's lab, I have learned to use devices such as the AFM, probe machine, and EBL. That have helped me to fabricate the devices that I use and to experiment with the devices to see their effects. At SHINE, I have also learned how the 2D materials that I work with are very useful in electrical engineering and the future of technology. In my time at SHINE, I also learned that electrical engineering is not just about numbers and that there is a lot of work that is handson with a high risk high reward factor.





Next Steps for Me

SHINE was a great opportunity for me to experience electrical engineering and has helped me to further grow my interest in the STEM field and has helped me to find a new interest in two-dimensional materials that I may continue working on, in the future.

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