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Quantum spin hall effect in $LaAlO_3/SrTiO_3$ nanostructures¹ GUANGLEI CHENG, University of Pittsburgh

LaAlO₃/SrTiO₃ heterostructures are known to exhibit strong spin-orbit coupling. We investigate local and non-local transport behavior of nanoscale Hall crosses created by conductive AFM lithography. The four-terminal resistance of these structures is consistently found to be $\sim h/e^2$, independent of the length of the channel. We also observe large (1-10 k Ω) non-local resistances and zero-field Hall resistance that are attributed to quantum spin Hall phase with a spin-orbit derived pseudo-magnetic fields $B_{eff} \sim 15$ T. The pure spin current is blocked by Cooper pairs that form below Tc 200 mK, leading to a collapse of the non-local and zero-field Hall resistances.

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