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Theory of the hydrogen adatoms induced spin-orbit coupling in graphene¹ DENIS KOCHAN, MARTIN GMTIRA, JAROSLAV FABIAN, University Regensburg — We have analyzed the first-principles data of the electronic structure of hydrogenation in graphene by means of group theory derived effective Hamiltonians. We propose effective models for semihydrogenated graphene as well as for graphene with a single hydrogen adatom. The chemisorption of hydrogen modifies the structural symmetry of the plane graphene in two essential ways—it breaks the pseudospin (sublattice) symmetry and induces rippling. We show that in addition to the Rashba spin-orbit interaction there emerges another spin-orbit field which is induced by the pseudospin inversion asymmetry due to the adatoms. Our realistic effective Hamiltonians should be useful for spin transport and spin relaxation investigations.

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