



# **Interacting with Futuristic Topological Quantum Materials: A Potential Candidate for Spintronics Devices**

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Abstract: Spintronics, also known as magneto-electronics or spin transport electronics, uses the magnetic moment of the electron due to intrinsic spin along with its electric charge. In the present review, the topological insulators (2D, 3D, and hydride) were discussed including the conducting edge of 2D topological insulators (TIs). Preparation methods of TIs along with fundamental properties, such as low power dissipation and spin polarized electrons, have been explored. Magnetic TIs have been extensively discussed and explained. Weyl phases, topological superconductors, and TIs are covered in this review. We have focused on creating novel spintronic gadgets based on TIs which have metallic topological exterior facades that are topologically defended and have an insulating bulk. In this review, topological phases are discussed as a potential candidate for novel quantum phenomena and new technological advances for fault-tolerant quantum computation in spintronics, low-power electronics, and as a host for Majorana fermions are elucidated. Room temperature stable magnetic skyrmions and anti-skyrmions in spintronics for next-generation memory/storage devices have been reported.

Keywords: topological insulator; spin orbit; quantum hall state; MTIs; skyrmions

# 1. Introduction

The advanced condensed matter physics gained popularity in research over the last century, mainly due to the Ginzburg–Landau paradigm (Ginzburg and Landau, 1950) and the assumption model for the theory of spontaneous symmetry breaking. Maximum complexity for superconductivity, quantum magnetism, super fluidity, and soft matter can be easily seen in their paradigm. Much work has been done to comprehend and regulate this topologically unique quantum state when the quantum Hall (QH) state was discovered [1,2]. It is shown that, on a 2D (two dimension)-based sample with an insulating bulk, electric current flows along its edges [3].

TIs are unique substances different from the typically three types of solid materials: conductors, insulators, and semiconductors [4] (Figure 1). The mobility of free electrons is independent of the band separation crossing. Because of the large separation between occupied and unoccupied states, an insulator cannot conduct electricity. Energy must be taken up by the electron in order to make a jump from the maximum occupied energy to the least occupied energy state. The band gap of the semiconductor is between that of the conductor and the insulator as shown in Figure 1. However, the TIs defy easy categorization within any of these groups. TIs possess bulk electronic states with a tiny



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**Copyright:** © 2023 by the authors. Licensee MDPI, Basel, Switzerland. This article is an open access article distributed under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license (https:// creativecommons.org/licenses/by/ 4.0/). band gap, indicating that the bulk states do not contain free carriers. However, they also have metallic surfaces that are topologically shielded. A Dirac point Figure 1 that can cross the band gap is present in this gapless surface state, proving that the TI surface is conductive [5] and a unique surface state as a result of T-symmetry and high order spin orbit coupling (SOCs) in its interior is produced. This clearly indicates that TIs can minimize or eliminate the dispersion of non-magnetic contamination [6].

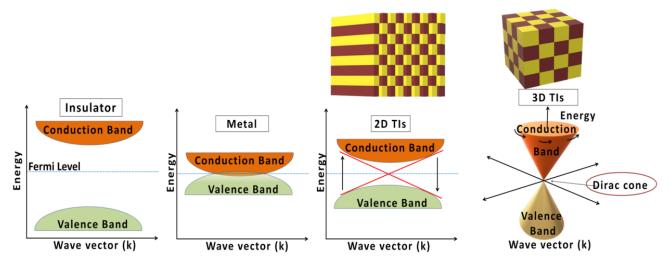


Figure 1. Energy Band diagram for insulator, metal, 2D TIs, and 3D TIs.

A recently identified electronic phase called TIs has a conducting surface but an insulating bulk [3,7]. In contrast to superconductors and magnets, a TIs has a topological order that is conserved by T-symmetry. Achieving high mobility; non-dissipative electrical transmission is a highly attractive target for devices. However, TIs can also be seen in the nonmagnetic field, which is a significant difference from the QH state. However, TIs can also be seen in the non-magnetic field, which is a significant distinction from the QH state. A magnetic field is induced during electron motion in 2D TIs due to spin-orbit interaction with heavy metals such as Hg and Bi. This is called the quantum spin Hall (QSH) state and was first demonstrated in 2006 in HgTe quantum wells [8,9]. More than a decade passed, yet research on TIs continued unabated. The TI's QSH states are stable at room temperature, giving it practical and technical importance. Preparation, doping, and studies of electric as well as magnetic properties are further possible areas of investigation. However, there is still a problem in controlling the Fermi level in synthesized TIs, and mass production of TIs for practical and industrial application is also a setback. Since TI was discovered much later, several metrics, such as electronic mobility, are lower than their theoretically predicted value. However, these investigations are driven by the desire to learn more about TI's remarkable properties before they are used in engineering and other applied contexts. Currently, TI research is still at an early stage. Researchers and scientists are working to increase the efficiency of TIs-based products.

## 2. Classification of TIs

The TIs can be categorized in very different ways based on the basic dimensions of the TIs, the parity of the Dirac point, the strong TIs, the weak TIs, the hybrid TIs, the induced magnetic based TIs, and the last classification by symmetry (Table 1). HfTe<sub>5</sub> and ZrTe<sub>5</sub> bulk materials have a significant gap with a monolayer. TIs is a 2D quantum well structure of HgCdTe. In comparison, the stoichiometry and chemical phase of 3D TIs are more stable and show more promising properties. The second is organized according to Dirac point parity. The last one will focus on geometry-based symmetry.

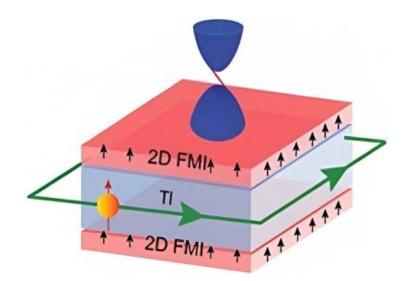
Types of Topological Insulators	Metal Related to TIs	Preparing Techniques	Morphology	Refs.
2D TIs	CdTe/HgTe	Molecular beam epitaxy (MBE)	Quantum well (QWs)	[8,10]
	GaSb/AlSb/AlSb/InAs	MBE	QWs	[11,12]
	$1T'-MoS_2$	MBE	Thin films	[13,14]
	1T'-MoTe <sub>2</sub>	Mechanical exfoliation	Nanoflakes	[15,16]
		MBE	Thin films	[17–19]
		Chemical vapour deposition	Thin film and nanosheet	[20,21]
	HfTe <sub>5</sub>	Chemical vapour deposition	Nanocrystals	[22,23]
	MnBi <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>4</sub>	Solid state reaction	Single crystals	[24,25]
	Wte <sub>2</sub>	MBE	Single layer thin film.	[26,27]
3D TIs	Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>	Mechanical exfoliation	Nanosheets	[28,29]
		Liquid-phase exfoliation	Nanosheets	[30,31]
		MBE	Thin sheets	[32,33]
		Pulse laser deposition	Thin sheets	[34,35]
		Chemical vapour deposition	Nanowires, nanoplates, Nanoribbons, thin films	[36,37]
		Liquid-phase synthesis	Nanocrystalline, nanobelts, Nanotubes, nanosheets	[31,38]
	Sb <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub>	Mechanical exfoliation	Nanosheets	[28,39]
		Liquid-phase exfoliation	Nanosheets	[40,41]
		Molecular beam epitaxy	Thin films	[42,43]
		Pulse laser deposition	Thin films	[44,45]
		Chemical vapour deposition	Thin films	[44,45]
	Bi <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub>	MBE	Thin films	[46,47]

Table 1. The procedures used to prepare typical TIs.

## 2.1. Two-Dimensional TIs

In 2D systems, Figure 2 Thouless and Kosterlitz investigated a novel phase transition in 1972 [48]. In 1982, Thouless et al. used the principles of topological interpretation to present how Hall conductivity quantization states play a clear role in the 2D electron gas model, acting as topological defects and formally known as the Thouless–Kohmoto–Nightingale (TKN) number, resulting in a peculiarity at TIs [48]. Due to the low spin-orbit coupling of graphene, the QSH effect has not yet been directly verified experimentally, although it is one of the most anticipated 2D TIs (SOCs) [49]. Increasing the SOCs effect is essential for fundamental studies and potential applications of graphene-based QSH insulators. According to studies, one way to increase graphene's SOCs is to heavily dope it with adatoms or to lay it on substrates with robust SOCs connections, as shown in Figure 2. Recently, interest in investigating non-trivial topologies has been sparked by the prospect of finding room-temperature QSH insulators in 2D transition metal dichalcogenides (TMDs) [50].

Single-layer 1T' Wte<sub>2</sub> is a stable QSH insulator, according to experimental evidence, but the QSH phase lasts for only 100K. Consequently, QSH phases are only seen in a limited number of pristine 2D TMDs. So, it is important to address additional variations outside of binary TMDs [52].



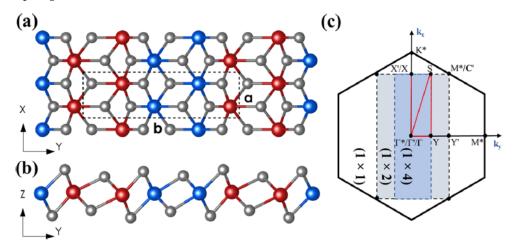
**Figure 2.** Upper hemisphere schematic represents in 2D TIs as conduction band (CB) and lower hemisphere represents the valence band (VB). The red line stands for surface states of 2D TIs which makes combination to separate CB and VB at a unique point called Dirac cone. spin magnetization in 2D TIs and upside black arrow in 2D TIs top surface and 2D TIs bottom surface represent to domain wall. © 2022 The Authors. Advanced Materials published by Wiley-VCH GmbH [51].

#### 2.2. Conducting Edge Sates for 2D TIs

Most often, 2D TIs follow a unique conductor pattern, conducting along their edges because of this property of bulk isolation. They can be characterized in two different ways, such as a bulk topological invariant (Z2 index for the QSH-type insulator and the Chern number for quantum anomalous Hall effect (QAHE), and 2D TIs character edges state, where QSH states are defined as helical for quantum anomalous Hall effect (QAHE). Two topologically distinct insulators, the Semenov phase and the Haldane phase, have metallic edge states with topological protection if the bulk gaps are preserved. The illustration is shown in 2D (Figure 3) and the 1D interface is where the edge modes work [53]. TIs have novel quantum material states that are adiabatically separated from traditional dielectric and semi-electrics. The bulk part of TI has a complete insulating gap, and time-reversal symmetry protects the presence of any gapless edge or surface. BiSb alloys, HgTe quantum wells, Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> crystals, and other systems have been theoretically predicted and the existence of these topological materials confirmed experimentally. Theoretical models, material properties, and experimental results are checked on 2D and 3D TIs. Topological superconductors have Majorana fermions in the bulk's full pairing gap and bulk surface states. In the present work, the topological superconductor (TSCs) theory is examined in close analogy to the TIs.

In Figure 4, it can be seen that a semi-infinite plane of a 2D body illustrates the differences in edges value between traditional and TIs. Since it is assumed that there is translational symmetry along the edge of the semi-infinite plane, the wavenumber k for the Bloch function is a best-chosen quantum number beside the direction [54]. Figure 4a,b show edge state diagrams for ordinary insulators and TIs, respectively. The differences in the connections between edge states and valence or conduction bands were also observed. Edge-state scattering in TIs is related to both the bulk valence band (VB) and conduction band (CB), in contrast to conventional insulators where it is related to the same bulk bands on both sides. From Figure 4a,b, it can be seen that SOCs cause the edge states to be spin-split, or Rashba split. The edge states with the opposite rotations and symmetries with respect to k = 0 are Kramers degenerate according to the time-reversal symmetry. Note that the bulk gap cannot be closed without continuously deforming Figure 4a,b into each other. This is given if the T-symmetry is preserved. Figure 4a,b show the simplest scenarios, but other types of edge states can also be considered. Non-magnetic insulators with edge states can be classified as topological and ordinary resistors can be identified by counting the Fermi energy's edge states using

Kramers pairs of states. The TIs ( $\nu = 1$ ) and the ordinary insulator ( $\nu = 0$ ) then give the number of pairings by calculating the number of edge states via the Fermi energy for insulators, each depending on how much Fermi energy is contained in the distance Figure 4a is either two or zero, while the value in Figure 4b is one. If the bulk gap does not close,  $\nu$  will not be this topological number as parameters are continuously changed. Upon the eventual closure of the bulk gap, the topological number might change. By changing the parameters, it can be shown how bulk gap decreases and this classification can be related to a change in topological number.



**Figure 3.** (a) Monolayer 1T' MM'X<sub>4</sub> compounds are shown in top. The **a** and **b** represent the lattice parameter of the unit cell in x and y direction respectively. (b) side views where M is Nb, Ta or V, is Ir or Co, and X is Te. (c) The BZs for 1 1 1T-MX<sub>2</sub> are indicated by solid lines. The 1 2 (1T'-MX<sub>2</sub>) and 1 4 (MM'X<sub>4</sub>) smallest repeated cell dashed lines enclosing their Brillouin Zones are cover in grey and blue, colour. The high symmetry points of 2D TMDs are marked with stars (\*) and primes ('), respectively [53] (© 2021 The Physical Society of the Republic of China (Taiwan). Published by Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved).

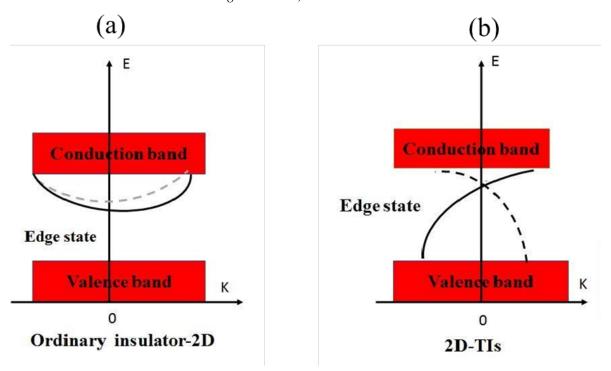
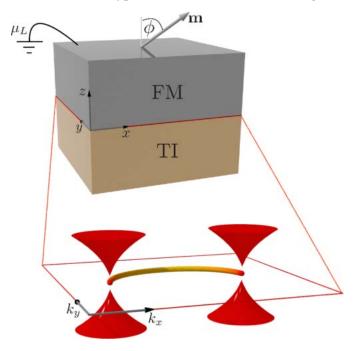


Figure 4. Edge states visualization in 2D TIs. (a) Ordinary insulator-2D; (b) 2D-TIs.

## 2.3. Three-Dimensional TIs

The spin QHE observed in HgTe quantum wells is caused by the 3D topological invariant. The term "topological insulators" was created because the 3D phases are topological in the same sense as the IQHE, with topologically protected edges or surface states (SSs) originating from SOCs rather than a magnetic field. All known 3D TIs have so far been identified using angle-resolved light emission spectroscopy, which examines the respective metallic SSs and subsequently the topological invariants. By changing the variables, one can categories how the bulk gap shrinks and associate this categorization with a change in the topological number. It was observed that topological and usual phase diagrams of insulators showed some similarities. Lin et al. proposed topological invariants for a general T-invariant band insulator [55]. Topological invariants, which in this context are integrals over a band structure are fundamentally mathematical quantities. They do not change if parameters are changed over and over again. The simpler versions of these invariants in inversion symmetric materials were discovered independently, and they were used to predict the discovery of the first TIs,  $Bi_xSb_{1-x}$  [29]. More forms of data are now available due to the variety of probes that can be used to evaluate 3D TIs. TIs have been linked to many different areas of condensed matter physics through theoretical studies and TIs have been found in a variety of different types of materials.

One of the new generations of TIs is known as topological crystalline insulators (TCIs), and represents the third generation. Liu et al. [56] calculated the band gap structure and performed topological band analysis to develop TCIs in 2013. Likewise, its interior was characterized by a band gap, while its outside was home to a boundary state with spin filtering capabilities and was shielded by mirror symmetry (001). Its mirror symmetry of the lattice preserved an even number of Dirac cones rather than its T-symmetry. This unique topological phase has been realized in SnTe and Pb<sub>x</sub>Sn<sub>1-x</sub>Se (Te) films (001). Third generation TIs have an adjustable band gap that sets them apart from previous generations. In order to change the film parallel to the electric field and subsequently the edge state's band gap, the system's mirror symmetry must be broken. That was not the case at all with the second-generation TI, which featured a number of surface states. The solitary Dirac cone is one of the typical surface states of 3D TIs (Figure 5).



**Figure 5.** Representation of 3D-TIs couple to ferromagnetic lead. Here m is magnetization,  $\mu_L$  is chemical potential,  $\phi$  is polar angle of the magnetization direction and the red frame marks the interface (material junction) Copyright © 2019, The Author(s) [57].

## 2.4. Hybrid TIs

To exploit their new properties, one can fabricate different types of hybrid structures using TIs. For instance, remarkable magneto-transport behavior has been theoretically predicted for hybrid TI ferromagnetic hybrid structures (Figure 6) resulting in unusual spin-based momentum locking on the TIs' surface [58]. A recent advance in this direction is the effective development of the ferro insulator EuS on Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>. One could also produce and control Majorana fermions by combining a TI, the best conductor, and a ferro type insulator. In the last decade, a mixture of reverse-symmetry-breaking operations has been discovered in magnetic-topological quantum physics. Compared to the uniformly thin film nanomaterials, the MTIs heterostructure (Figure 6) provides a more stable framework to alter quantum mechanical phenomena, such as spin-orbit coupling and spin/magnetic physics, materials science, topological phases, such as the traditional unit-rank and above unit rank TIs and semimetals, have become a booming topic. A topological insulator typically exhibits a fixed-order topological invariant as well as a correspondence over linked bulk-boundaries.

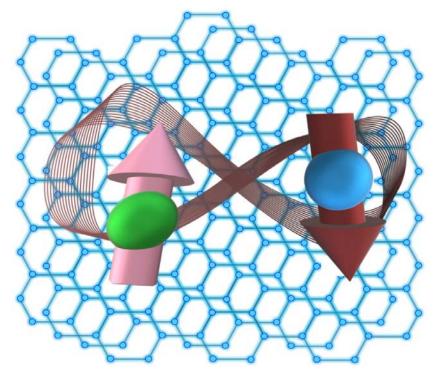


Figure 6. Spin visualization for hybrid material TIs.

Here, a novel topological insulator, termed hybrid-order TI, is recognized in a twolayer photonic crystal that simultaneously supports first- and second-order topologies. In the same system, zero-dimensional corner states and 1-D without gap helical edge states coexist. The new hybrid-order topological phase might result in inventive topological acoustic device applications.

## 3. Properties and Characteristics of TIs

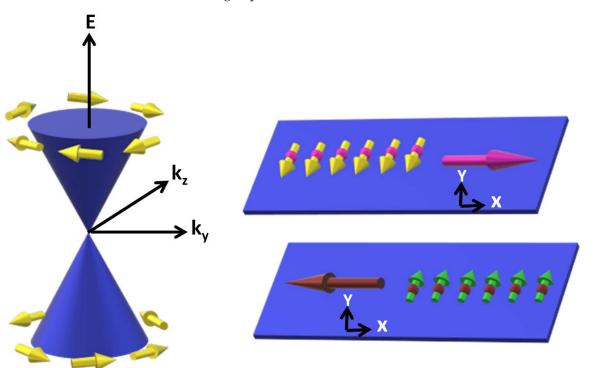
## 3.1. Low Power Dissipation

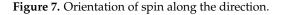
Low power dissipation is good characteristic of TI in addition to its high mobility. The presence of band gaps in an insulator causes resistance, while other factors cause resistance in a metal when electrons and phonons, impurities, and other particles collide. The surface of the TIs contains a Dirac electron that can pass through the impurity and continue on its original path while in contact with it. The electrons move both clockwise and counterclockwise as they approach the impurity, and their spin direction also changes.

The concept to avoid contamination is the coherent cancellation of the two scattering waves. This significantly reduces the resistance. The internal insulator happening prevents current from escaping during this time. As a result, TIs-based hardware can run on minimal power. Moreover, as integration increases, the heating problem of integrated circuits becomes more problematic. The heat issue could essentially be solved if the TIs were used to transport data [59].

## 3.2. Spin-Polarized Electrons

The existence of spintronics as a field is primarily due to the large gap between electron velocities in conductors and the speed of light, which nearly invariably results in weak spin-orbit coupling. Therefore, spins are often completely served, meaning that their relaxation time is typically significantly longer than other pronounced electronic timeframes. The magnetic anisotropy energies generated by weak spin-orbit coupling in ordered systems calculate the energetically favorable magnetization orientations in a crystalline lattice. The magnetic condensation energies, which indicate how much energy is reduced by magnetic order, are quite large compared to the anisotropy energies. Although tiny in comparison, the spin concentrations that can be created by transport currents are sufficient to cause magnetization switching. On the TIs surface state, ARPES can detect spin-polarized electrons from the Dirac cone. The TIs surface has spin-dependent electrons with spin-momentum locking even though it is in an insulating bulk state (see Figure 7) [60]. This makes it easier to comprehend magnetic and spin-electronic devices. The QSH is the characteristic that best describes TIs. The surface state of the TIs can be used to study the QSH and half-integer quantum Hall effect.





#### 3.3. Preparation Methods of TI

Although there has been significant progress in the theoretical understanding of TIs in spintronics, experimental realization of TIs in spintronics application still has a long way to go. People are working on experimental analysis of spintronics devices. TIs can be prepared in a variety of ways, but each process has unique benefits and drawback. In real-world applications, the cheapest technique of preparing TIs while maintaining high purity is always chosen. Doping also has a substantial impact on how well TIs function.

During preparation, impurities are typically impossible to avert. The performance of the TIs is impacted by these contaminants in various ways. Additionally, contaminants may be purposefully manipulated to alter the TIs characteristics and give them the required features. For instance, by adjusting the doping element and quantity, it is feasible to make 3D TIs that are both n-type carriers and p-type carriers. This review paper describes the common TIs preparation techniques (Table 2) and their relationship to doping.

The products of interest in this technique are evaporated individually in an oxidizing atmosphere (usually oxygen and ozone). Thermal energy usually in MBE is less than 1 eV. The deposition rate is therefore very slow as a deposit of >100 nm thick film requires several hours. The co-deposition and shutter methods are used as two types of deposition methods. Both atoms are simultaneously evaporated in co-deposition while the atoms are deposited by guided sequencing, one after the other in the shutter process.

**Table 2.** Comparison of various preparation techniques.

Methodology	Structurer Merits	Demerits	Refs.
MBE method	<ol> <li>Clean growth conditions, a cool growth temperature, and a modest growth pace of roughly metres per hour</li> <li>consistent thickness, correct composition, and good crystal integrity</li> <li>Quick to dope</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>High technological expenditures and ongoing preserve expenses</li> <li>high order vacuum standards</li> </ol>	[61–63]
Chemical Vapor Deposition (CVD)	<ol> <li>Basic equipment needed</li> <li>Extremely adaptable</li> <li>TI can be produced in large quantities on substrates with complex forms.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>A low rate of deposition</li> <li>Need for chemical</li> <li>safety and security</li> </ol>	[36,64,65]
Solvothermal Synthesis	<ol> <li>Easy to use, simple procedure</li> <li>Affordable</li> <li>Superior crystal</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The temperature of the solution changes.</li> <li>Concentrating reaction product particle size dispersion is problematic.</li> <li>Minimal output and maximum purity</li> </ol>	[66,67]
MOCVD	<ol> <li>Low pressure and normal or low temperature (1.33–13.3 kPa)</li> <li>Low thermal faults, high purity, and intrinsic defects</li> <li>Carefully adjusting the film's composition, doping amount, and thickness is possible.</li> <li>Industrial production, extensive film, top homogeneity, and strong crystalline</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>very high costly machinery is required</li> <li>flammable, hazardous, and dangerous source material in nature</li> <li>can-not make thin films from multiple materials at once.</li> </ol>	[68,69]
One Step Exfoliation Techniques	<ol> <li>Inherent features of 2D materials requires can be obtained exfoliation processes.</li> <li>High velocity is induced fragmentation and exfoliation of layered material.</li> <li>Graphene, MoS<sub>2</sub>, hexagonal boron nitride can be exfoliated robustly.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Crystal quality is clearly impacted by a minor lattice mismatch between the substrate and epitaxial layer.</li> <li>In the plane strain and higher density of defects.</li> <li>Impurities in one step exfoliation grown samples are still challenging to control.</li> </ol>	[70–72]
Mechanical Exfoliation	<ol> <li>Cost effective method for producing 2D.</li> <li>Suitalbe for MoS<sub>2</sub>, Graphene other 2D materials.</li> <li>Techniques like sonication or high-shear mixing are most frequently used.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Uniform exfoliation is challengeable.</li> <li>The force created by the exfoliation technique can also break up large MTI layers into smaller ones.</li> </ol>	[73–75]

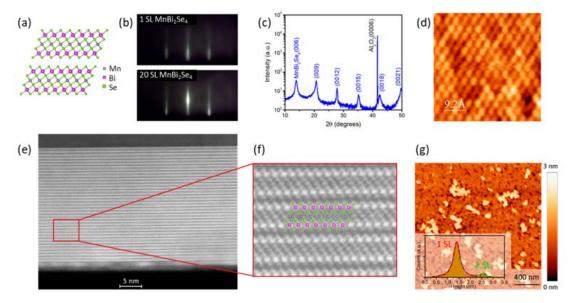
Methodology	Structurer Merits	Demerits	Refs.	
Scotch Tape Exfoiation	<ol> <li>Larger surface area and few-layers can be obtained.</li> <li>Best technique for obtaining high quality ultra-thin layers of 2D materials.</li> <li>Atomic layer-thick TMDs can exfoliate from the bulk hence easy to transfer on the substrate.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Impossible to achieve uniform shape and size</li> <li>Defects have a high impact and depending on the scotch tape nature.</li> <li>Little bit discrimination, distinguished between complete lifting, partial lifting or complete adhesion.</li> </ol>	[76–78]	
Liquid Phase Exfoliation	<ol> <li>Able to exfoliate single or few layers 2D materials.</li> <li>Best method for Graphene, h-BN, WS<sub>2</sub>, MoS<sub>2</sub>, MoSe<sub>2</sub>, Bi<sub>3</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>, TaS<sub>2</sub>, and SnS<sub>2</sub></li> <li>Exfoliation with liquid seems to be quite easy. Simply mixing some solvents with the bulk materials and applying the appropriate ultrasonic treatments will produce nanosheets.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The liquid-phase dispersion of graphene is the core problem that must be overcome in the experimental study of nanomaterials.</li> <li>However, because there are so many different solvents available, it is crucial to pick the right one.</li> </ol>	[79–81]	
Electrochemical Exfoliation	<ol> <li>ECE is another vital exfoliation technique to synthesize graphene.</li> <li>It has proven to be incredibly effective for the exfoliation of graphite.</li> <li>MoS<sub>2</sub>, BP, Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>, and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> have been electrochemically exfoliated in aqueous solutions</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>One restriction of this method is that only conducting and semiconducting materials can be considered.</li> <li>Other factors that must be taken into account include structural elements, environmental stability, the ability to withstand intense anodic and cathodic conditions without suffering substantial chemical changes, etc.</li> </ol>	[71,72,82]	

Table 2. Cont.

Magnetic topological states assist research into basic topological quantum physics and the development of new topological spintronic devices, according to a 2020 paper by Hao Wang et al. [83]. Nontrivial topologies, however, are often associated with fragile magnetism and may be significantly warped by it for the bulk of known magnetic topological states. It has been shown that a particularly resilient magnetic topological insulator phase may use a tight-binding approximation model and first-principles model to estimate that emerge in 2D EuCd<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub> quintuple surface layers. This phase maintains its integrity in both ferromagnetic and antiferromagnetic structure. SOCs allows EuCd<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub> to achieve a nontrivial band gap of 750 meV, accompanied by pure band inversions for both spin up and down spin, an integral spin Chern number, and two without gap edge states. By rotating the magnetization directions, EuCd<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub> is shown to be a suitable substance for studying and employing the TIs states in 2D spin-orbit magnets. This also validates robustness of the magnetic TIs phase.

Beside this an additional revolutionary work presented by Yujun Deng et al. [25] in 2020. In this study, they demonstrated that intrinsic magnetic moment of magnetic topological insulator of MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> which produce a quantum nature based anomalous type hall effect. Here, an investigation has been done on quantum transport in TIs MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> thin flake, which has pure magnetic order. The ferromagnetic layers in this multilayer van der Waals crystal bond to one another atomically in an anti-parallel manner. When there are an odd number of septuple layers in the sample, thin MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> becomes ferromagnetic. In a five-septuplet-layer specimen, the zero-field QAHE effect, an external magnet detected at 1.4 Kelvin. By ferromagnetically aligning all layers, the field raises the quantization temperature to 6.5 Kelvin. The findings demonstrate that MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> is a perfect platform for further investigation of the diversified topology of naturally shattered T-symmetry.

A study on the epitaxial development of  $MnBi_2Se_4$  films on  $Al_2O_3$  (0001) substrates using the MBE technique (Figure 8) was published in 2022 by T. Zhu et al. [84]. Substrate temperature maintained at 275 °C and under the effect of Se flow, they build  $MnBi_2Se_4$  layers in a three-step process for each layer. The two atomic layers of Bi must first be deposited in order to make a quintuple layer of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>. After waiting for the Mn to diffuse into the underlying Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> template layer for five minutes, only one atomic layer of Mn was deposited under Se flow to create a single trigonal MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub>. By repeating these processes, multilayer MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> up to 20 septuple layers (SLs) is produced, and throughout the growth, sharp and streaky reflection high energy electron diffraction (RHEED) patterns are visible.



**Figure 8.** Characterization of structural characteristics of MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> on Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. (**a**) The atomic crystal morphology more than one-layer MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> contains van der Waals stacked septuple layers (SLs) of Se, Bi, Mn, and Bi. (**b**) On MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> films, streaky RHEED patterns at 1 SLs and 20 SLs thicknesses reveal the 2D surface structure. (**c**) XRD scans of a 20 SLs MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> clear indicates for Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and the MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> planes are visible. (**d**) A STM are used to determine the Atomic-scale surface structure of a 20 SLs MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> film with a 4.0  $\pm$  0.1 Å — in plane lattice constant. by (**e**) cross-sectional STEM imaging of van der Waals stacking (**f**) Enlarged STEM image of MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub>. (**g**) atomic force microscope image of 1 SL film. (Copyright © 2021, American Chemical Society) [84].

#### 4. A Robust Approach towards Modification in MTIs

The Hamiltonian can be used to characterize [85] the surface states of a 3D TIs.  $H = v_F(\sigma_x p_y - \sigma_y p_x)$ , where  $v_F$  is Fermi velocity along the two-dimensional Pauli matrices notation. This leads to a Dirac cone with helical spin structure being used to represent their energy spectrum. Time reversal invariance of the Hamiltonians of these systems assures spin-momentum appears in the cone-shaped and prevents back types scattering. In other words, such surface states prevent T-symmetry [85–87]. The following Hamiltonian can be used to describe the massive surface states:

$$H = v_F(\sigma_x p_y - \sigma_y p_x) + mvF^2\sigma_z, \tag{1}$$

where Zeeman and/or magnetic altered interaction determine the mass m. It displays the corresponding surface states the magnetic interaction changes to Berry phase and spin morphology. This leads to a variety of curious quantum transport features, e.g., the quantum anomalous Hall effect (QAHE), which appears only when fermi level is situated in the mass gap range and when the Fermi level exits the gap, a switch from anti weak localization to weak localization occurs [88].

The time reversal symmetry (TRS) in 3D TIs has so far been successfully combated by magnetic doping with diluted transition metals (Cr, Mn, and V). Initially made in Cr-doped (Bi, Sb)<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> [89–91], the fundamental discovery of QAHE was later exhibited in V-doped (Bi, Sb)<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> [92] with a wider range of observation temperature.

As a result, research on intrinsic magnetic TIs has gained increased attention. In these materials, the magnetic components are arranged within the crystal lattice. One of these systems, MnBi<sub>2</sub>X<sub>4</sub> (X = Se, Te), has generated big interest because it is anticipated that it will possess unique topological hazes linked to layered antiferromagnetic order. The essential major of the layered van der Waals (vdW) structures of these materials are SLs (X, Bi, X, Mn, and Bi, X). Essentially, each X, Bi, X, and Bi, X layer of the associated TIs has the magnetic MnX layer injected into it. Despite experimental evidence of axion insulator and QAHE insulator phases in MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub>, material production has prevented research on topological phases in the selenide-based MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub>. In attempts to synthesize monoclinic MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub>, its thermodynamically stable phase has been created using bulk crystals instead of the required vdW crystal. Additionally, the synthesis of multilayer vdW MnBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> crystals, which is necessary for researching topological and interlayer magnetic coupling effects, has proven to be challenging. Isolated SLs within Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> or its surface have only been created through thin film growth.

## 4.1. TIs as a Spintronics Device

TIs are a new class of materials that contain novel quantum states. Gapless Dirac surface states shielded by T-symmetry are created as a result of a nontrivial band topology and strong SOCs, and surface conductions display unusual spin-momentum locking properties, as shown in Figure 9 [93].

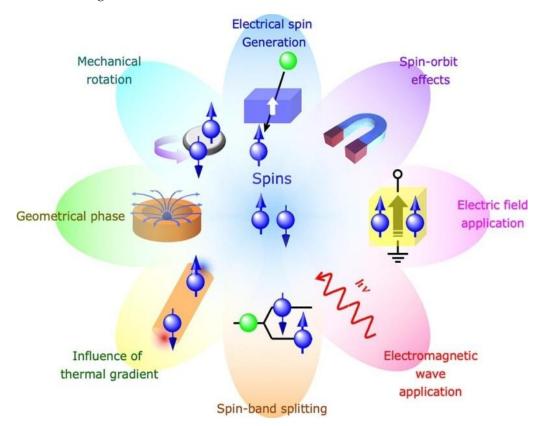


Figure 9. Graphical representation of spin with various aspect (Copyright © 2014, IOP) [93].

The 3D transition metal (TM) Mn is an uncommon magnetic doping agent that induces ferromagnetic order in chalcogenide TIs. It is frequently used as a dopant to add long-range ferromagnetic order to typical dilute magnetic semiconductors. The TRS-breaking effect in TIs was originally identified in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> doped with Mn [52]. Angle RESOLUTION PHOTOEMISSION SPECTROSCOPY (ARPES) has revealed a sizable Zeeman gap at the surface state (SS) Dirac cone [53,54], despite the fact that QAHE in Mn-doped TIs has never been noted. Research on the characteristics of Mn doped TIs is still in its infancy. There are

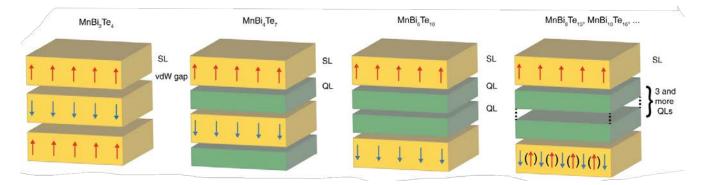
currently many different dopants sites, magnetic transition temperatures, electronic states, saturation magnetizations, and anisotropies that can be seen in samples that are nominally identical in preparation. Mn dopants frequently enter TI hosts.

## 4.2. Magnetic Topological Insulator (MTIs)

The topology of the electronic wave-functions in combination with the magnetic spin configuration greatly affects the properties of a class of substances known as magnetic topological materials. These materials offer a wide range of applications, including dissipation-free spin and charge transport, information storage, and control. They can support chiral electronic channels with perfect conduction. Theoretical predictions of the QAHE without Landau levels and the most recent identification of magnetic Weyl semimetals and anti-ferromagnetic TIs are discussed in this article along with experimental developments in the study of magnetic topological materials. A number of experiments were performed to produce Chern insulators, indicating Weyl and Dirac magnetic semimetals having axionic and higher-order topological phases of matter.

# 4.3. MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> a Classical Topological Insulator

The intrinsic MTIs MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> has attracted much attention due to its special magnetic and topological properties (Figure 10). To date, most reports have focused on bulk or flake samples. For material integration and device applications the epitaxial growth of MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> film in nanoscale is more important but challenging. Here, we report the growth of selfregulated MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> films by the MBE. By tuning the substrate temperature to the optimal temperature for the growth surface, the stoichiometry of MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> becomes sensitive to the Mn/Bi flux ratio. A MnTe phase and a Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> phase respectively were formed in response to excess and insufficient Mn.



**Figure 10.** Multilayer view of magnetic insulator MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> family. (SLs-Septuple layer, QL-Quintuple layer). Red arrows and green arrows represent up-spin and down-spin respectively. (© The Author(s) 2020) [94].

Superconducting quantum interference device (SQUID) magnetic studies of a 7 SLs MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> film shows that antiferromagnetic order and an anomalous magnetic hysteresis loop along the c-axis coexist at the Néel temperature of 22 K. Band structure investigations using angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES) at 80 K reveal a Dirac-like surface state, indicating that the paramagnetic phase of MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> has topological insulator characteristics.

Earlier discussion lays out the crucial growth parameters for the design and optimization of the synthesis of nanoscale MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> films which are essential for basic science and device applications requiring antiferromagnetic TIs. MBE is the most sophisticated way to fabricate van der Waals (vdW) materials like MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> [95,96]. Additionally, the thin-film arrangement can serve as an appropriate platform to realize several artificial MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> stacking structures, such as heterostructures and hybrid systems with other materials as ferromagnets [97,98].

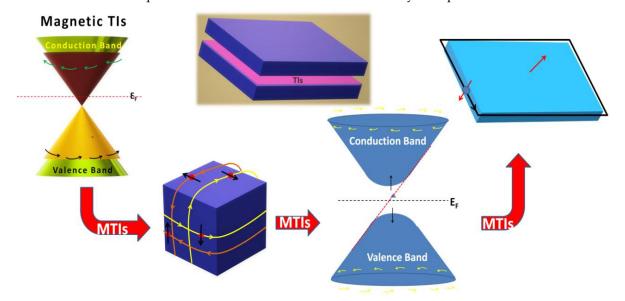
## 4.4. Optimistic Approach towards Topological Insulator Antiferromagnetic in Spintronic

The new time-reversal symmetry-breaking physics can be realized using MTIs from the tetradymite family and related ternary compounds by exploiting the special Néel order in an antiferromagnet CrSb and the topological order in a magnetic topological insulator Cr-doped (Bi,Sb)<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> produced by MBE. Various heterostructures are proved to be successful at manipulating these diverse quantum states. It has been demonstrated that artificial structural engineering can be used to specifically shape emergent interfacial magnetic interactions. Exchange coupling at interfaces and exchange coupling between antiferromagnets were found to have an impact on the topological magnetism as mediated by the massive Dirac fermions by examining bilayers, tri layers, and superlattices consisting of these two components. Through measurements of magneto-electrical transport polarized neutron reflectometry/diffraction, the manipulation of the mass of Dirac fermions by using various Cr doping concentrations and the relationship between the magnetic spin textures of the antiferromagnet of the magnetic TIs was further investigated. These investigations demonstrate the antiferromagnet's effectiveness as a layer for the massive Dirac fermions of the magnetic TIs interfacial and interlayer exchange coupling which also results in a significant improvement in magnetic ordering. A new foundation for topological antiferromagnetic spintronics is provided by this work. In condensed matter physics, the QAHE is a crucial quantum transport phenomenon. Since the QAHE has only ever been experimentally produced for Cr/V-doped (Bi, Sb)<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> at a very low observational temperature, its potential use in dissipation less quantum electronics has been severely constrained.

## 4.5. MTIs Spintronics Application

A new technique called spintronics, also known as magneto-electronics or spin transport electronics, makes use of the electron's magnetic moment and intrinsic spin in addition to its fundamental electrical charge. A robust approach is used to develop MTIs for spintronic devices. The two most important physics problems in semiconductors and metals are spin transport and spin relaxation. A novel technology is being used in electronic storage technology that uses various spin parity phenomena such as MTIs, TIs, and GMR. The giant-magneto resistance (GMR) a sandwich structure which is made up of alternating ferromagnetic and non-magnetic metal layers was developed using spintronics. The device resistance varies from small (parallel magnetizations) to large (perpendicular magnetizations). Antiparallel magnetizations depend on the relative direction of the magnetizations in the magnetic layers (Figure 11) [99]. Magnetic field differences are detected using this variation in resistance also known as magneto resistance (MR). One of two possible positions for an electrons magnetic field is up or down as a result two additional binary states are added to the standard high and low logic values represented by current. These four states are a representation of quantum bits or qubits. Spintronic technology is used in mass storage devices. It is employed to cram a large amount of data into a small amount of space. It is also used in the medical industry for cancer detection. Digital electronics can benefit from spintronic technology in general. Mass storage hard drives have undergone testing.

Spintronics has been hailed as a viable low power alternative to current silicon-based transistors. These transistors switching process produces heat and this issue ends up in performance failure. A spintronics device relies on electron spin rather than electricity. An electron's spin and mobility are correlated in a topological insulator, indicating that if a device can control electrons route, it can also control its spin. This suggests that "up" or "down" spin states might be controlled like bits in a computer. Theoretically, such a device would maintain its coolness. In light of the aforementioned behavior, researchers from Pennsylvania State University and the University of Chicago showed how to "draw" circuits on a topological insulator using visible or UV light [100]. The scientists compared their method to a "quantum Etch-a-Sketch" since the circuits stayed in place for several hours. The amazing characteristics of this sort of spintronics computing system such as low power dissipation, quantum computing and ultra-high computing speed make it a



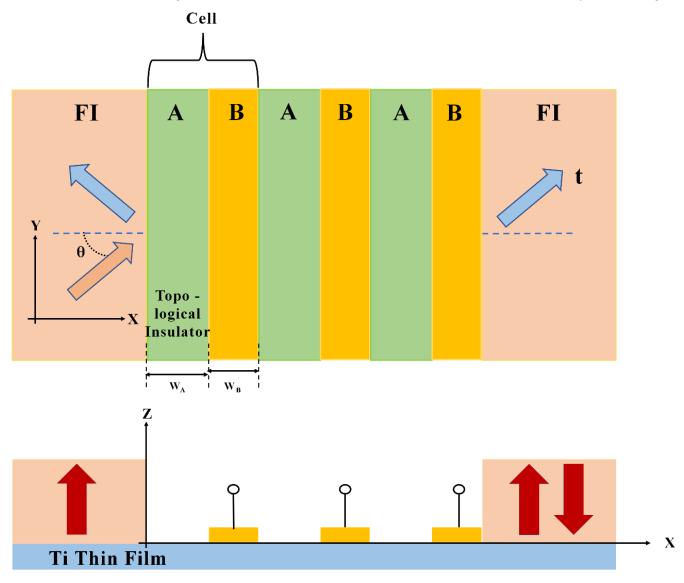
great replacement for conventional systems. The scientists compared their method to a "quantum Etch-a-Sketch" since the circuits stayed in place for several hours.

Figure 11. Magnetize visualization characteristics of MTIs.

A report on enormous MR in TIs spin-valves at room temperature was published in 2021 by Peng Tseng et al. [101]. To increase the MR value a TIs thin film spin-valve with a segment gate-controlled potential is suggested. In contrast to conventional bulk TIs, a thin film of TIs, such as BiSbTeSe<sub>2</sub>, is utilized in the spin valve in this study. The findings point to a high band-structure-adopting MR value at room temperature of more than 1000%. In the antiparallel form, the current is severely constrained, whereas the parallel configuration displays a high chance of spin electron transmission. With regard to the spin transport behavior to cutting-edge spin-valve devices, the feature is significantly tunable. Figure 12 illustrates the suggested structure.

Future spintronics projects the optical or magnetic injection to produce spin-polarized interfaces between semiconductors and superconductors for transport Spin relaxation in semiconductors, metals amplifiers, and PN junctions. In the past few years spintronics exploiting MTIs SOCs nanomaterials has rapidly advanced. When a charge current is run through TIs, they display exceptionally strong SOCs and nontrivial topological surface states that develop in the bulk band topology order which distinguishes them from typical heavy metals and allows them to be used to efficiently alter neighboring magnetic materials. The most current advancements in the field of magnetic spintronics based on TIs are covered in this article. Our main areas of interest are the spin orbit torque induced magnetization switching in magnetic TIs structures, effects of spin injection and spin pumping in TIs magnet systems as well as electrical detection of the surface spin-polarized current in TIs.

A lot of the study of TIs has not progressed beyond the theoretical level. There has been a flood of reports on publications that investigate TIs inherent features. They focus mostly on QSH and superconductivity calculations as well as the TIs surface state and firstprinciple calculations of these phenomena. However, there is not nearly as much research on the application of TIs. Hence, many such implementations fall short of expectations. This is because TIs-based devices practical performance falls short of their theoretical maximum. The TIs have many notable qualities such as optical, electrical and magnetic properties. TIs have a wide variety of other potential applications. Better quality factor and less power consumption make TIs a prime candidate for application in batteries, gas sensors, solar cells and memories. TIs would make it possible to build the qubit computer, a new technology that would store and manipulate information by using the way atoms move. The dedicative advantages of TIs which set them apart from traditional semi electric allow them to be used in such ways that could lead to big changes in electronic devices



in the future. Still, synthetic topological insulator nanostructures require a lot of work to figure out how to make electronic devices with new ideas and new ways of working.

**Figure 12.** The TIs thin film spin valve with a 3-cell top gate is represented schematically in terms of its device profile. The unit cell (A/B) in this system is assumed to be the normal and top-gate potentials. The grey electrodes that represent the top gates on the TI surface provide squared gate voltages (Vg). The spin valve receives spin electrons at an incidence angle of (FI-ferromagnetic insulator) [101] (Copyright © 2021, The Author(s)).

### 4.6. Realizing Topological Superconductivity in Topological Insulator Materials

Numerous non crystalline materials have been used to create TIs with bulk-boundary correspondence, the most notable of which being amorphous networks, quasicrystals, and fractal lattices. As their nucleation occurs around a clearly defined Fermi surface with a Fermi momentum, their existence, which depends on the underlying translational symmetry and topological superconductors outside the realm of quantum crystals, remains untapped. Here, we describe a class of non-crystalline Dirac materials that lack translational symmetry and on which topological superconductors can be produced by proper local or on-site pairings. We present this result for all of the non-crystalline platforms stated above that are embedded in a two-dimensional flat space. The resulting non crystalline topological superconductors have a strong one-dimensional Majorana edge and a quantized topological invariant (Bott index). The majority of superconductors currently

exist as s-wave superconductors with spin-singlet pairing and these traditional s-wave pristine superconductors display nontopological properties. According to our knowledge a Cooper pair's total spin (S) can exist in one of two states [102]: either the spin-singlet pairing state with S = 0 or the spin-triplet pairing state with S = 1. In order to meet opposing parity of the total wave function odd parity of the wave function of a Cooper pair (S = 0) necessitates even parity of the orbital wave function (L = 0, 2, 4, ...). Additionally, swave or d-wave coupling is indicated by L = 0 or 2, respectively. The orbital wave function should be odd parity [L = 1 (p-wave), 3 (f-wave), 5, ...] in spin-triplet states (S = 1). Most superconductors including ordinary superconductors, cuprate superconductors, [103] and iron-based superconductors, are known to possess spin-singlet pairing states [104]. Therefore, although being fairly uncommon, TRS-breaking superconductors with spin-triplet pairing states have drawn a lot of attention in the quest for TSCs. "Intrinsic" TSCs are pristine superconductors with nontrivial topology and unusual pairing symmetry. There are only a few potential spin-triplet superconductors in existence. Several contenders may have spin-triplet pairing based on strong evidence, but none has been as conclusively shown as superfluid 3He.  $Sr_2RuO_4$  and UPt<sub>3</sub> are the attractive options for spin-triplet pairing despite having low superconducting transition temperatures (Tc). Other potential spin-triplet superconductors include noncentrosymmetric (lacking inversion symmetry) superconductors such as Li<sub>2</sub>Pt<sub>3</sub>B and ferromagnetic heavy fermion superconductors, such as UGe<sub>2</sub> and UCoGe [105]. It is possible that the recently found quasi-1D-structured K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>3</sub>As<sub>3</sub> family also has an unusual pairing state [106].

## 4.7. Doped Based Typical Topological Superconductor for Topological Insulator

By varying the carrier density/Fermi level or applying chemical pressure, chemical doping intercalation is frequently used to generate superconductivity in electron correlation systems to examine fascinating physics. Table 3 summarized the undoped TIs superconductor with their superconducting transition temperature, and space group.For instance, electron doping enabled the realization of superconductivity in fluorine-doped LaOFeAs, ushering in the era of iron-based superconductors [107]. Doping materials with lower radii such as P-for-As doping in BaFe<sub>2</sub>As<sub>2</sub> can also cause chemical pressure [108]. The QAHE ferromagnetism in diluted magnetic semiconductors and diluted magnetic oxides represent two other amazing physical phenomena that have been found in magnetic element-doped systems [109]. As a result, doping or intercalating a TIs is a naturally intriguing method of investigating putative TSCs [110]. Table 4 gives a summary of the superconductivity generated by doping in TIs or TCIs. Tc is the superconducting transition temperature for various doping contents x.

Materials	Nature	Tc	Space Group	Refs.
Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>	Topological insulator	0.3–7 K	R-3m	[111,112]
Bi <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub>	TIs	2.6–9.5 K	R-3m	[97,113]
Sb <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub>	TIs	3–7.3 K	R-3m	[114,115]
BiTe	TIs	1–5.2 K	P3ml	[116,117]
BiTeBr	TIs	1–4.8 K	P3ml	[116,118]
BiTeCl	TIs	4.8 K	P6mc	[116,119]
$Cd_3As_2$	Dirac Semimetal	2.4 K	I4 <sub>I</sub> mc	[120,121]
ZrTe <sub>5</sub>	Dirac Semimetal	1.8–6 K	Cmcm	[122,123]
HfTe <sub>5</sub>	Dirac Semimetal	1.8–4.8 K	Cmcm	[124,125]
TaP	Weyl Semimetal	1.8–3 K	I4 <sub>I</sub> md	[126,127]
MoTe <sub>2</sub>	Weyl Semimetal	0.1–8.2 K	$P2_1/m$	[15,128]
LaBi	Topological Semimetal	4.8 K	Fm-3m	[129,130]
WTe <sub>2</sub>	Weyl Semimetal	3.7 K	Pmn2 <sub>I</sub>	[131,132]
MoP	Semi metal	2.5–4 K	P-m62	[133,134]
NbAs	Topological Semimetal	2–2.6 K	C2/m	[135,136]

Table 3. List of Topological superconductor.

Materials	Tc	Туре	x	Refs.
Cu <sub>x</sub> Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>	3.8 K	TIs	0.09 < x < 0.64	[110,137]
$Sr_xBi_2Se_3$	2.9 K	TIs	0.058 < x < 0.1	[138,139]
Nb <sub>x</sub> Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>	3.2 K	TIs	0.25	[137,140]
Ti <sub>x</sub> Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>	2.8 K	TIs	0.6	[141]
$Cu_{x}(PbSe)_{5}(Bi_{2}Se_{3})_{6}$	2.85 K	TIs	0.3 < x < 2.3	[142,143]
Sn <sub>1-x</sub> In <sub>x</sub> Te	4.7 K	TCIs	0.017 < x < 0.4	[144,145]
$(Pb_{0.5}Sn_{0.5})_{1-x}In_xTe$	4.7 K	TCIs	0.1 < x < 0.3	[146,147]

Table 4. List of typical Topological superconductor with different doping.

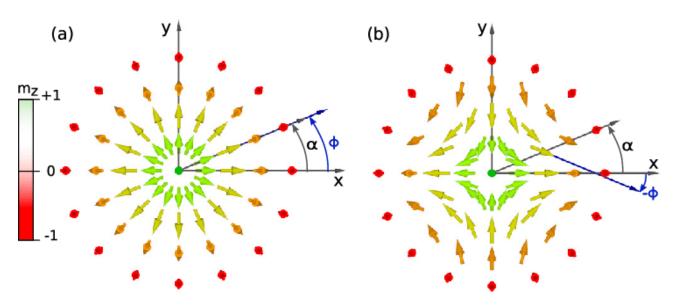
## 4.8. MTIs as a Potential Application in Magnetic Skyrmions Device

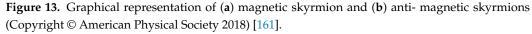
The structure of the magnetic skyrmion is defined by the spin whirling, vortex-like pattern, which means that all the constituent spin moments in the two-dimensional sheet only wrap the sphere once. Due to the driven motion with low electric-current excitation, topological protection and magnetic skyrmion's nature spintronics may one day benefit from this extraordinary metastability. The skyrmions frequently manifest themselves in the form of crystal lattices such as hexagonal lattices in magnetic materials, but they can also occasionally appear as isolated or independent particles.

The texture of the magnetization contains tiny swirling topological defects called magnetic skyrmions, listed Table 5. Their topological characteristics have a significant impact on both their dynamics and stabilization. They are typically brought on by chiral interactions between atomic spins in thin films with broken inversion symmetry or non-centrosymmetric magnetic compounds (Figure 13).

Table 5. List of skyrmions materials.

Material	Symmetry Operation	Symmetry of the Crystal	Electronic Nature of Skyrmion	Magnetic Modulation (nm)	Transition Temp. (K)	Refs.
MnSi	Т	P213	Metal	18 nm	30	[148,149]
Fe <sub>1-x</sub> Co <sub>x</sub> Si	Т	P213	Semiconductor	30–230 nm	2-50	[150,151]
Mn <sub>1-x</sub> FexGe	Т	P213	Metal	3–4 nm	150-170	[152,153]
MnSi <sub>1-x</sub> Ge	Т	P213	Metal	9–18 nm	30	[99,154]
Cu <sub>2</sub> OSeO <sub>3</sub>	Т	P213	Metal	62 nm	59	[155,156]
$GaV_4S_8$	C3v	R3m	Insulator	19 nm	13	[157,158]
VOSe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	C4v	P4Cc	Insulator	140 nm	7.5	[159,160]





### 4.9. Emerging Topological Insulators for Future Representatives

Owing to the availability of a broad pool of elements within the half-Heusler family, the physical characteristics of these materials may be modified by selecting the necessary element combination.

However, "it received much attention only in the 1980s with the discovery of the quantum Hall effect (QHE) [1]. In order to create the QHE electron, gas must be contained in two dimensions and subjected to extremely low temperatures and a strong magnetic field. As a result, its conductance is quantized and electrons start to flow at the materials edges without being stopped by dissipation-related phenomena. Fu et al. made the initial prediction of TIs 3D analogues of the metallic edge states [162]. In contrast to the requirements for the QHE in 3D TIs an external magnetic field is not required and is observed due to intrinsic SOC. After the discovery of TIs properties in  $Bi_{1-x}Sb_x$  alloys, there was a surge in the discovery of other similar 3D materials, which demonstrated the TIs phenomenon [163]. Half-Heusler compounds (HHC) are the latest addition to the TIs family (Table 6). The half-Heusler compounds are non-centrosymmetric interpenetrating fcc crystal structures, lacking inversion symmetry, and are known for their multidisciplinary applications. HHC are composed of three elements (XYZ) with the rare earth based half-Heusler compounds being of significant interest to the condensed matter community owing to their various properties such as superconductivity [164] heavy fermion and Kondo behavior [165] and hosting various magnetic ground state effects. The desired properties of these half-Heusler can be tuned via various permutations and combination of the elements to facilitate SOC (with specific combinations of rare-earth elements and main-group elements) and by varying the hybridization (by the application of pressure) [166]. The 18-valence electron HHC are natural semimetals and ideal candidate for studying topological phenomena. In contrast to the two-dimensional TIs, HgTe (can be considered as a defect variant of a typical HHC XYZ) many HHC show a bulk band gap which is a pre-requisite for observing TIs-related behavior. The experimental verification of TIs is conducted by Angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES) which was instrumental in identifying surface states of the TIs compounds such as  $Bi_{1-x}Sb_x$  (x = 0.12–0.13) [167],  $Bi_2Se_3$  [168] and  $Bi_2Te_3$  [169]. Due to the single surface Dirac cone in  $Bi_2Se_3$  it was chosen as the ideal 3D TIs candidate for crucial fundamental studies. In other such 3D TIs systems the surface Dirac cone exists just beneath the top of the valence band complicating the study of the surface transport properties. However due to the presence of nonmagnetic elements in the Bi–Sb system, the magnetic ground state is not present. Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> was selected as the optimum 3D TIs candidate for critical basic studies due to its single surface Dirac cone. The investigation of the surface transport features is made more challenging in other similar 3D TIs systems where the surface Dirac cone is located just below the top of the valence band". The magnetic "ground state is absent in the Bi-Sb system due to the presence of nonmagnetic components. HHC come to the rescue at this point because the presence of rare-earth elements makes it possible for the magnetic ground state and topological behavior to coexist. Type-II antiferromagnetic state expression is made possible by using the examples of YPtBi and GdPtBi where the Y atom lacks the f-electrons in its system while Gd contains the f-electrons [170]. However, it is difficult to predict the location of the Dirac point and the number of surface states crossing the fermi level, as is evident from the ARPES results of the tetradymite family (TlBi $X_2$ , X = Se, Te). This difference can be attributed to the strong spin orbit contribution from the Te as compared to the Se. The ARPES results on LuPtBi by Liu et al. [171] show the metallic surface electronic state while studies by other groups [172] on the same system confirms the topological surface states. The discrepancy in these reports might be due to the differences involved in their respective approaches to the cleaving plane for the purposes of their study and the presence of dangling bonds, as ARPES measurement on LuPtBi were conducted on the freshly cleaved surface along (111) direction in both the experiments. TIs can also be characterized indirectly through transport measurements, such as magneto-resistance and their analysis via Shubnikov-de-Hass (SdH) oscillations, determining the Berry phase factor. However, separation of surface states from the bulk states is difficult in transport measurement techniques when the surface bands lie inside the bulk of the valence band. The

Hall measurement study helps in determining the transport mechanism and contributes to understanding the origin of SdH oscillations in the system. Calculation of the Berry phase factor can also be performed independently through Hall measurements" [173].

S.No	TIs Compound	Space Group	Properties	Refs.
1.	LaPtBi	F-43m	LaPtBi crystallizes in the MgAgAs-type fcc cubic structure.	[174]
2.	LuPtBi	F-43m	Tc = 1.0 K Material is nano centrosymmetric	[175]
3.	ScPtBi	F-43m	Polycrystalline nature (in thin films) follows the cubic MgAgAs-type crystal structure	[176]
4.	YPtBi	F-43m	The non-centrosymmetric half Heusler compound YPtBi shows superconductivity below a critical temperature Tc = 0.77 K with a zero-temperature.	[177]
5.	CePtBi	F-43m	It is semimetal with very low charge-carrier concentrations. It also shows a simple antiferromagnetic structure below TN = 1.15 K.	[178]
6.	GdPtBi	F-43m	GdPtBi, shows three interpenetrating fcc lattices type crystal structure The spin direction for Gd in the antiferromagnetic strong SoC in GdPtBi play important role	[177]
7.	LaPtBi	F-43m	LaPtBi show linear magnetoresistance (LMR), also called quantum magnetoresistance. It is gapless semiconductor	[179]
8.	LuPdBi	F-43m	LuPdBi has a high level of optical absorption on complete visible spectrum, that is a crucial feature for optoelectronic devices.	[180,181]
9.	ScPdBi	F-43m	It shows metallicity below 2 K retains its behaviour under severe circumstances (up to 9 T and 19 GPa). ScPdBi exhibited no significant magnetotransport impact.	[182,183]
10.	YPdBi	F-43m	It shows a wide range of emergent features, including heavy-fermion behaviour, unconventional superconductivity, and magnetism.	[184]

Table 6. Half-Heusler type topological quantum materials based on rare- earth doping.

#### 5. Major Challenges in TIs

There seems to be no doubt that the TIs will face significant challenges in the development of the MTIs, per the summary and analysis.

Controlling the electron spin can be achieved with a material called a topological insulator and it has major challenges because it behaves as an insulator on the inside but is highly conductive on the surface. So, keeping in view of these states manufacturing and implementing magnetic topological insulator-based material has been limited. It involves several quantum phenomena, e.g., scattering of electrons or scattering of conduction electron in a metal due to magnetic impurities whose resulting characteristics change in the resistivity with temperature in the magnetic topological insulator. Electrical transport measurements frequently do not provide clear access to purely magnetic topological surface states since vacancies and site defects are invariably present, as in the case of materials of the Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> type [185]. Discovering more topological insulator over 50 materials have not been experimentally tested which is great task to develop magnetic topological insulator with Majorma fermions, Dirac type massive fermions and Wiley type massless fermions

based magnetic material for magnetic topological insulator. This is a challenge because when combining with a superconductor type material, its states create mismatch.

When magnetic topological insulator is applied in photonic device control becomes very difficult. There are technical hurdles to overcome in downsizing the system and in another hand a photonic analogue of magnetic based TIs was latest predicted on the basis of the anticipated arrangement of permittivity and permeability matched bianisotropic material in 2Ds super lattice. Observation of a magnetic topological insulator for photonic devices is challenging because bianisotropic metamaterial is usually highly dispersive. Recent measurements have also shown that the surface-transport properties in MTIs have ageing effects. These problems offer both a significant challenge and an excellent chance for surface chemical changes. Growing a protective layer over newly exposed surfaces for MTIs could be challenging.

Due to the special properties of magnetic TIs controlling the edge state will be a ground-breaking effort in the advancement of MTIs. Uncompensated magnetic moment and localized spin canting may occur in the case of AFM material. However, this effect is typically localized and disordered which hardly affects the magnetic TIs general properties. The impact of heat temperature on MTIs which lowers device efficiency is yet another extremely important problem. TIs are thus considered with optimism as mass-Dirac particles, which are crucial in low-dissipation circuits, are less common. This opens the door for the creation of energy-efficient technology. In reference to topological suppression from bulk states consequences the dynamical, electrical and magnetic characteristics of TIs surface state must also be investigated by researchers using the Dirac electron. This must boost TIs development and have an impact on scholars everywhere.

#### 6. Conclusions and Future Prospects

TIs will witness increased practical use in the future particularly in various fields, e.g., condensed states physics, macro-microelectronic, and communication technology. Because of the fascinating metallic states and the surface inherent Dirac point without spin, degeneracy will result in the production of particles useful for quantum computing. Metallic surfaces are possible candidates for novel spintronic devices. Majorana spin half particles which can be produced at the boundary between a TIs and a superconductor are also just one step away from a topological quantum computer that is error-proof. The controllability of TIs interaction with magnetic material currently prevents their incorporation into spintronic devices and quantum computing systems. Although surface state machinations and heterogeneous amalgamation have only been partially realized thus far, it is anticipated that future work on methods of synthesis and device optimization will lead to the development of a variety of novel nanoelectronics, optoelectronics, and spintronics applications.

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