



Monolayer V_2MX_4 : A new family of quantum anomalous Hall insulators

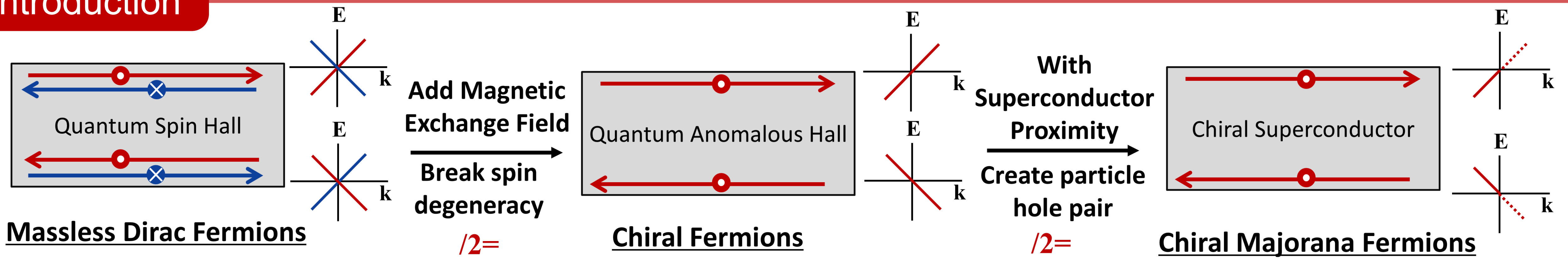
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Introduction



How do we achieve this step?

1. Doped Topological Insulator (TI)

Mature technology and lots of results
Dirty Always small exchange gap

2. TI/Magnetic Insulator Heterojunction

Cleaner than doping
Technically difficult

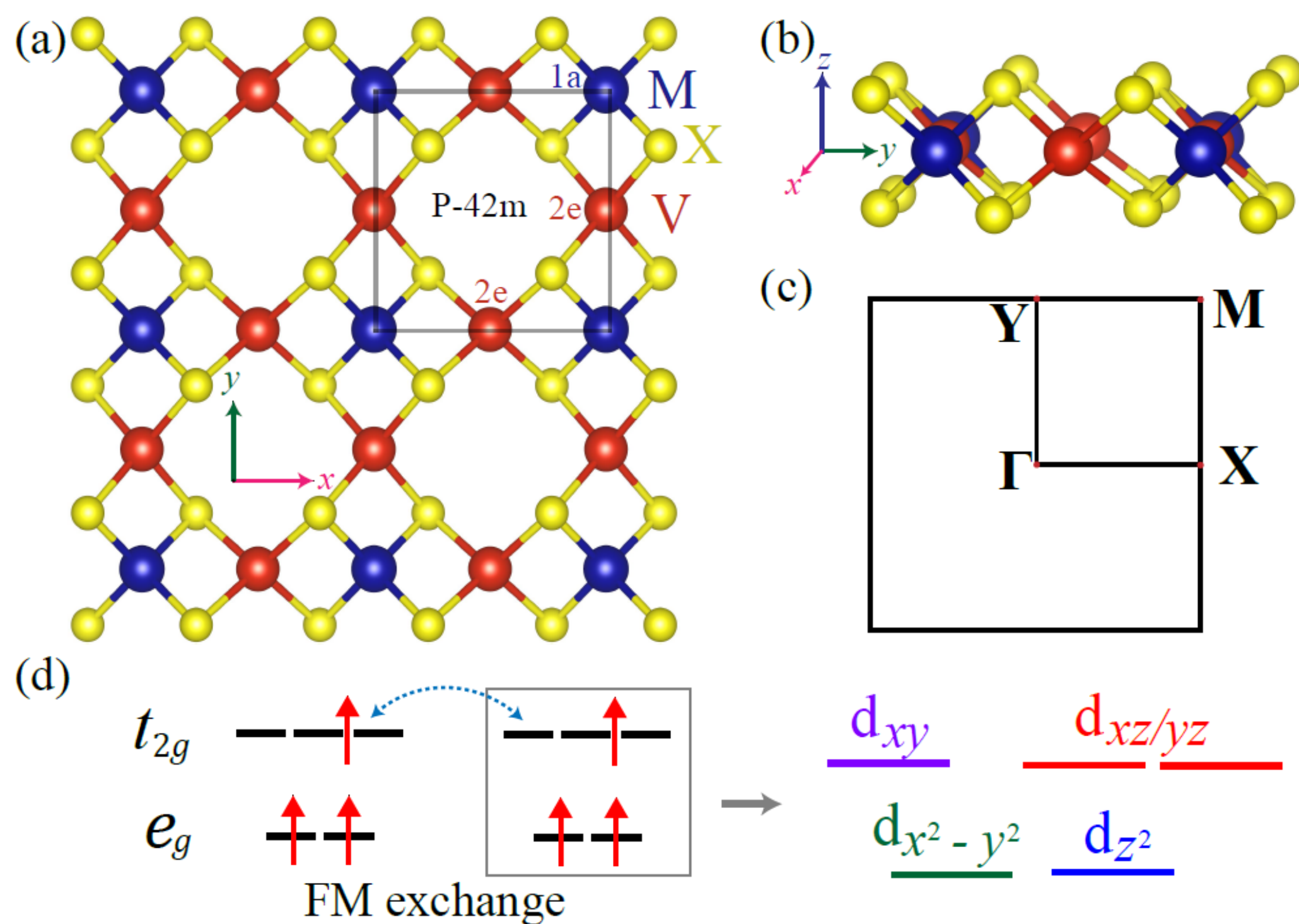
3. Intrinsic Magnetic Topological Material

Ideal material for QAH Rare and hard to find
Only MnBi2Te4 realized in experiment

Candidates for quantum computing!

Monolayer V_2MX_4 family: FM ground state, $C = -1$ QAH, large gap

Structure and Magnetic Properties



The magnetic ground state of the 2D materials class is FM along z direction
Spin magnetic moment ~ 2.6 (1.3) μ_B per V (Ti) atom.

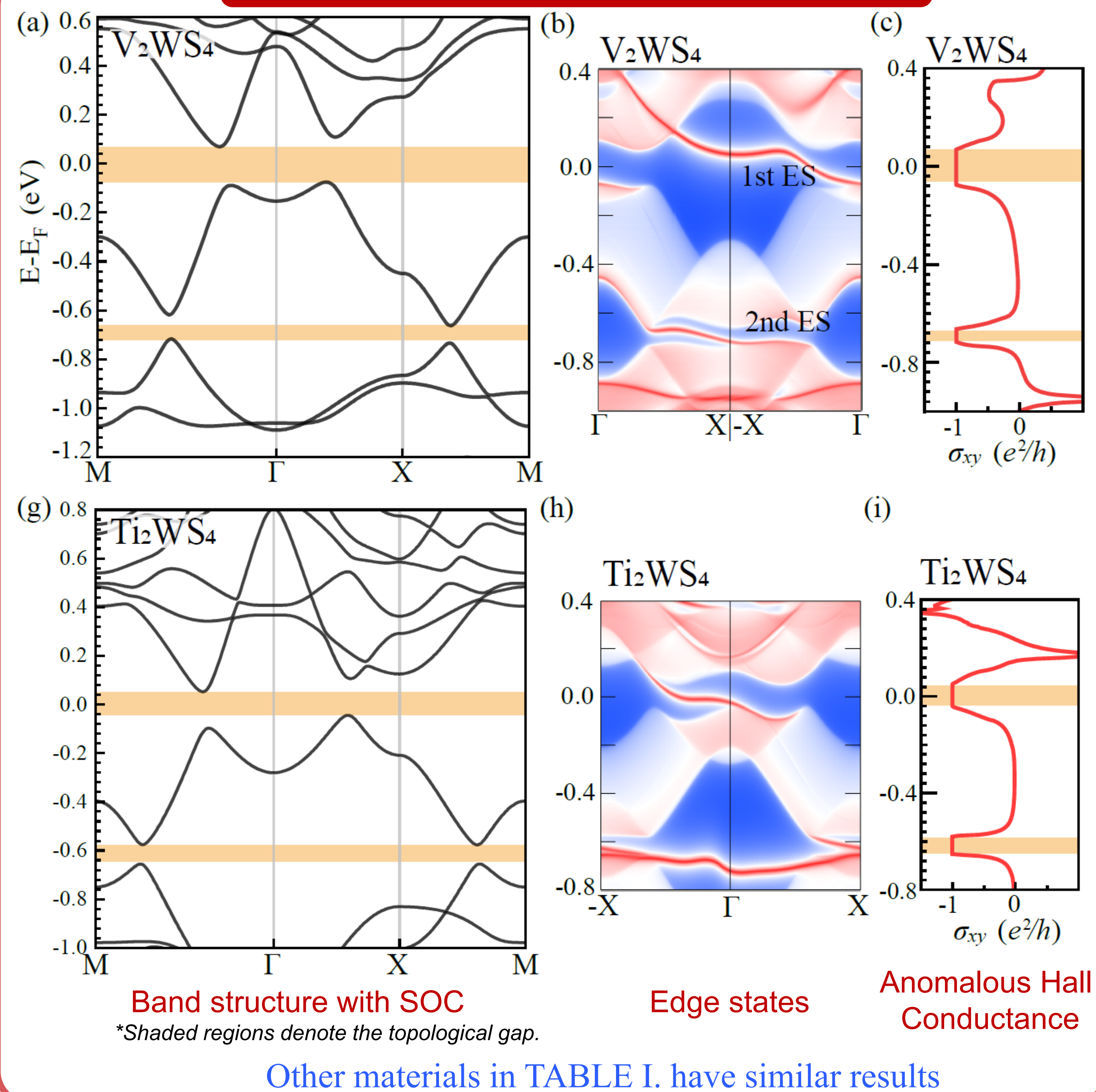
FM From:

1. Direct exchange between V(Ti) pairs due to Hund's rule. (1NN)
2. Super-exchange from V(Ti)-M-V(Ti). (2NN)

Materials	a (Å)	T_c (K)	MAE (meV)	E_g (meV)
V_2WS_4	5.74	470	12.1	279
V_2WSe_4	5.82	440	13.2	258
V_2MoS_4	5.72	310	2.0	115
V_2MoSe_4	5.83	284	2.2	70
Ti_2WS_4	5.75	240	10.7	259
Ti_2WSe_4	5.79	210	13.7	275

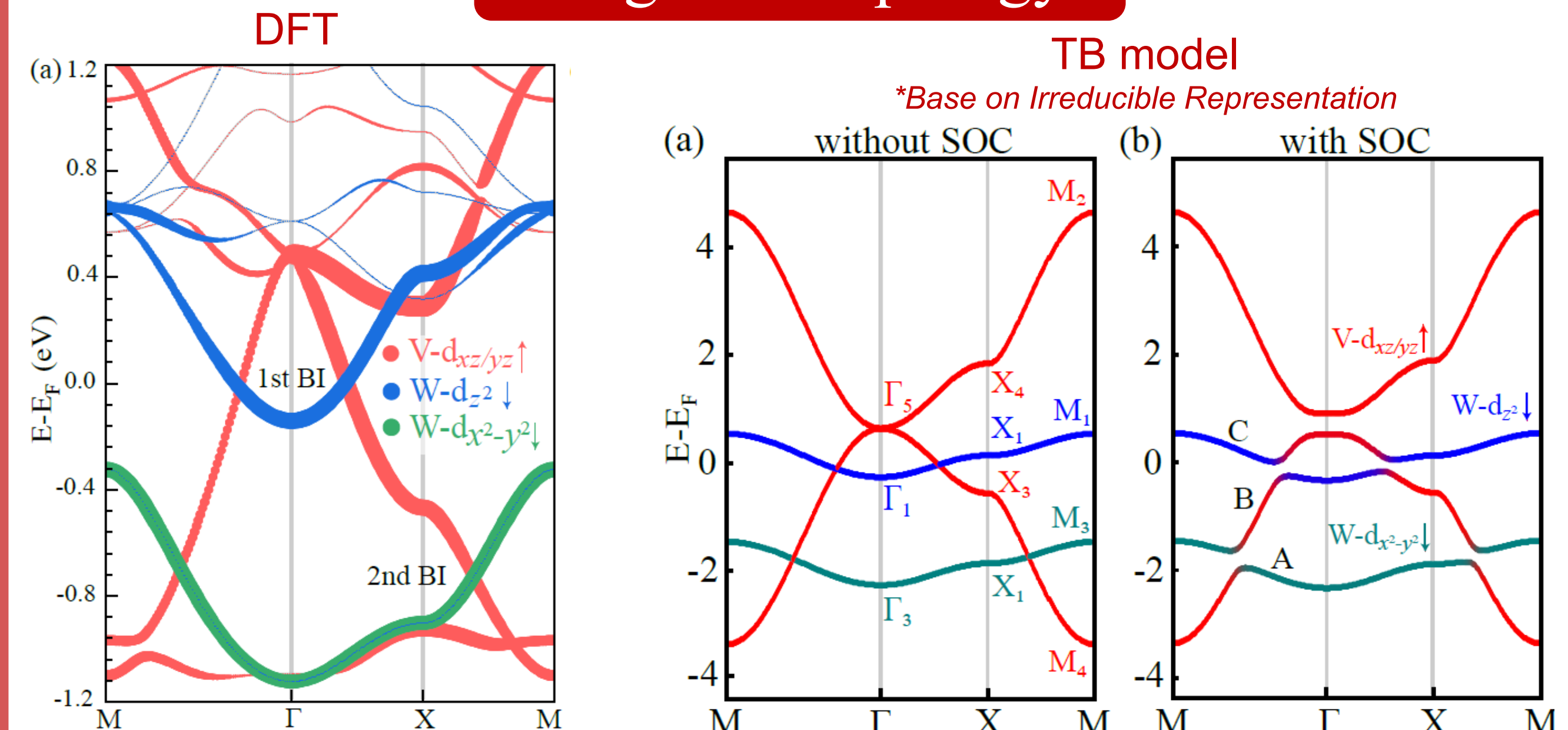
TABLE I. Lattice constant, MAE per unit cell, Curie temperature T_c from Monte Carlo simulations, and band gap E_g from using the Heyd-Scuseria-Ernzerhof hybrid functional method [51] (Fig. S4).

Bands and topological properties



Other materials in TABLE I. have similar results

Origin of Topology



d -orbitals projection bands structure

1. Spin polarized quadratic band touching of degenerate V(Ti) - $d_{xz/yz}$
2. Band inversion between V(Ti) - $d_{xz/yz}$ and W(Mo) - $d_{z^2}/d_{x^2-y^2}$

Reference

1. arXiv: 2303.14685
(Old version, will be updated soon)

2. arXiv: 2211.08938

Monolayer $ATiX_4$, another QAH family we predicted.

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QSH \rightarrow QAH \rightarrow Chiral Majorana Fermions.

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