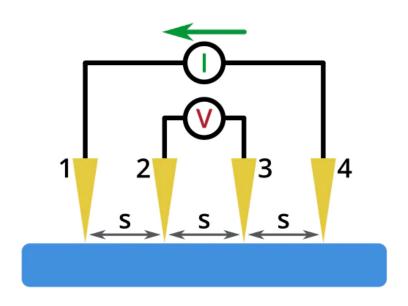
# Semester Project

Mid-Sem Presentation

# Transport Measurements on TMDCs using a Lock-In Amplifier

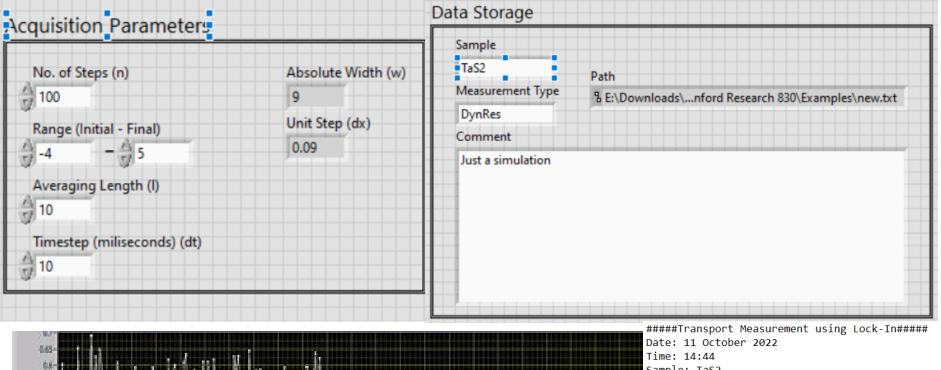
#### Transport Measurements

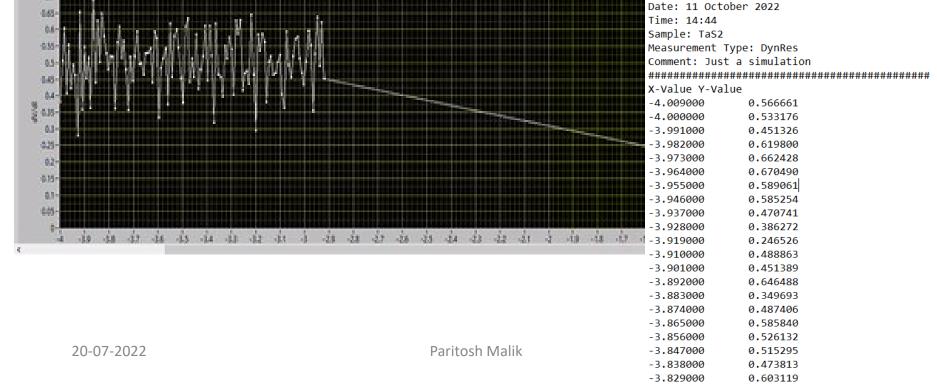
- Measurement of properties related to the transport of electron in a material.
- We are planning to measure resistivity (XX) and hall resistivity (XY) using four probe measurement.

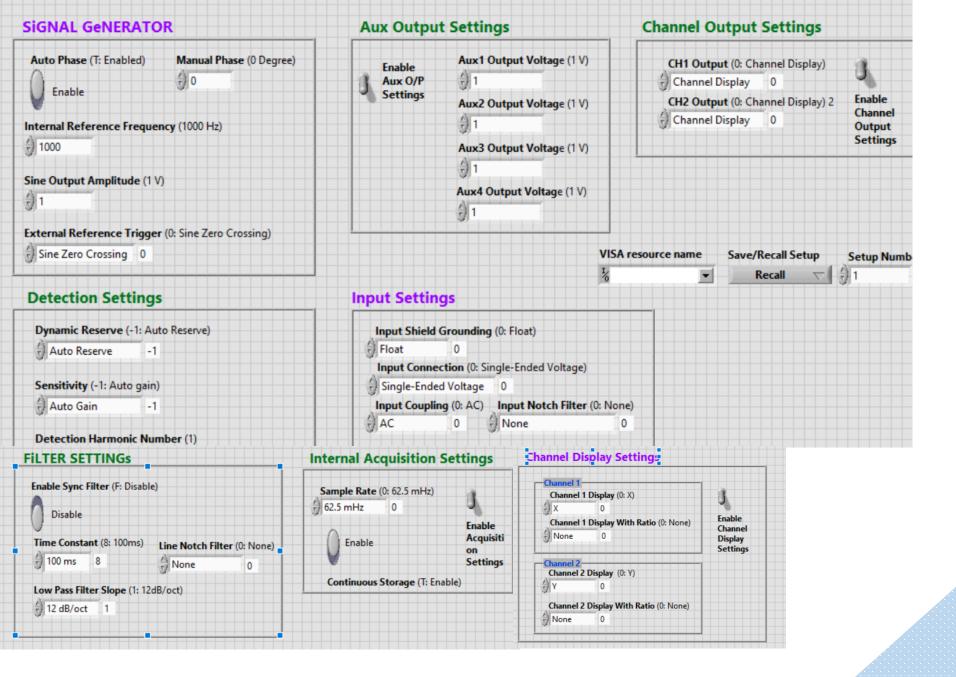


#### LabVIEW Virtual Instrument(VI)

- We have developed a LabVIEW project that contains several programs which can
  - 1. Control every aspect of the Lock-In
  - 2. Change AUX output voltage in steps in provided range and store the output of Lock-In in .txt file which can then be processed and plotted in Origin.



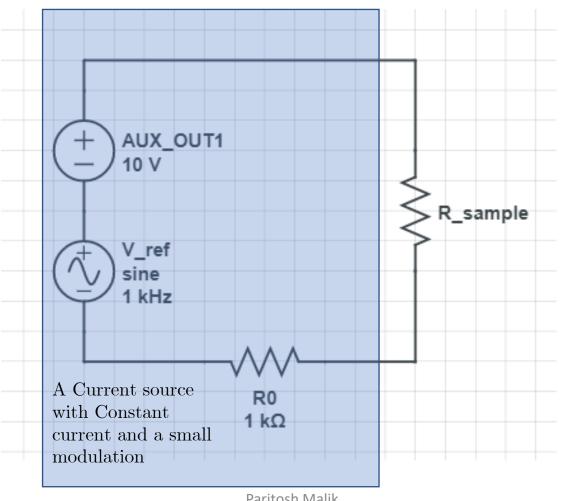




#### Failed Attempt

- We tried to take a measurement of resistance of know carbon resistor using Lock-In amplifier both for the source and the measurements.
- Using a know high resistance to create current source from Lock-In voltage supply

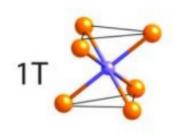
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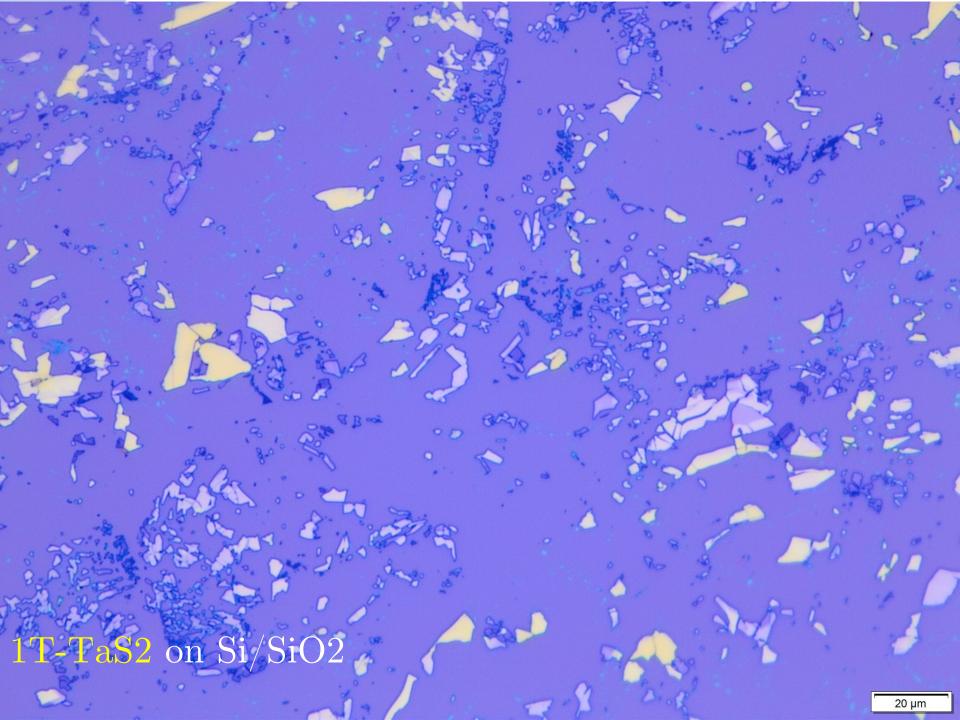
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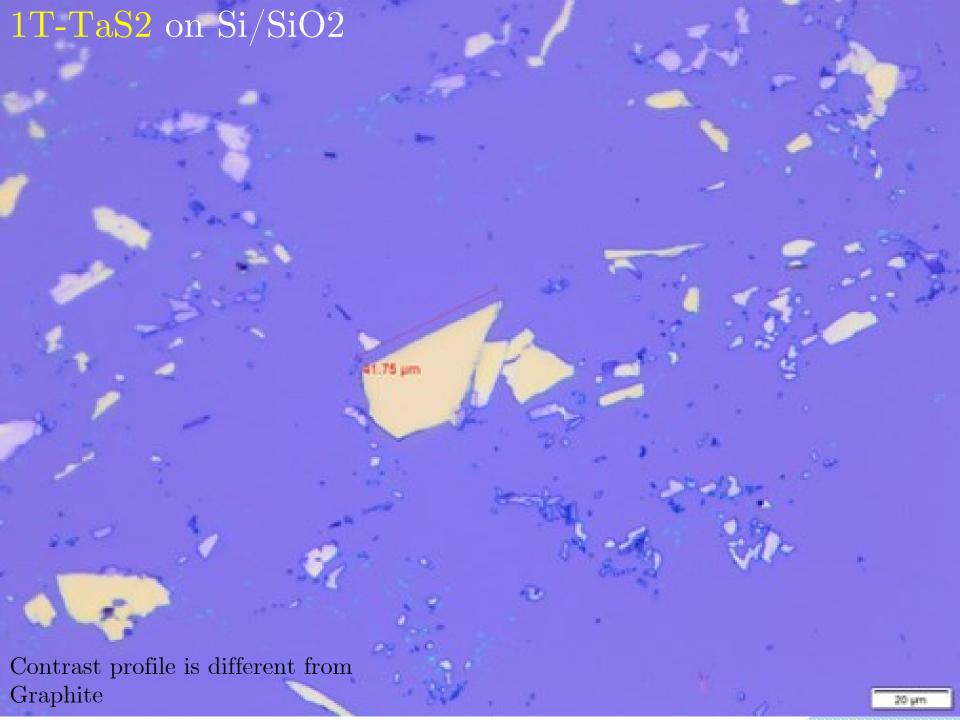
- But the result was not satisfactory and were changing with modulation frequency
- Possible Solution: we can first characterise the circuit, at different input voltage, frequency and load resistance to pinpoint the source problem.

#### Tantalum Disulfide



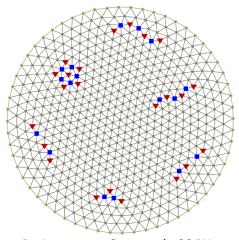
- We have 1T-TaS2 phase with each Ta atom with 6 S atoms in octahedral structure
- It shows an variety of CDW phases transitions from 550K to 50K, with an unusual insulating phase below 200K, also shows superconductivity at high pressures and low temp( $\sim 2.5~GPa~-~1.5~K$ ) <sup>[1]</sup>
- It also has a metastable **metallic** state at low temperatures ( $\sim 20~K$ ) which can be activated using optical and electrical pulse. [2]





## Wigner Crystals

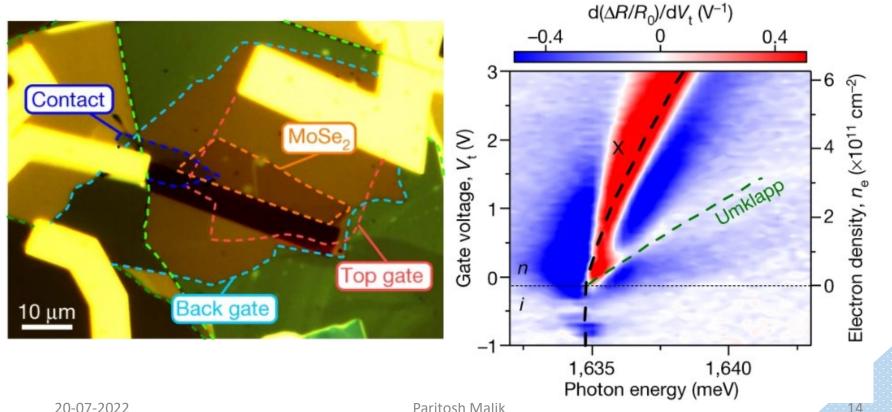
- It is an electronic crystal that was predicted by Eugene Wigner in 1934.<sup>[3]</sup>
- It is due to strong-correlation between the electrons.
- When the Coulomb interaction between the particles become more significant than the motion of particles



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#### Signatures of Wigner crystal of electrons in a monolayer semiconductor

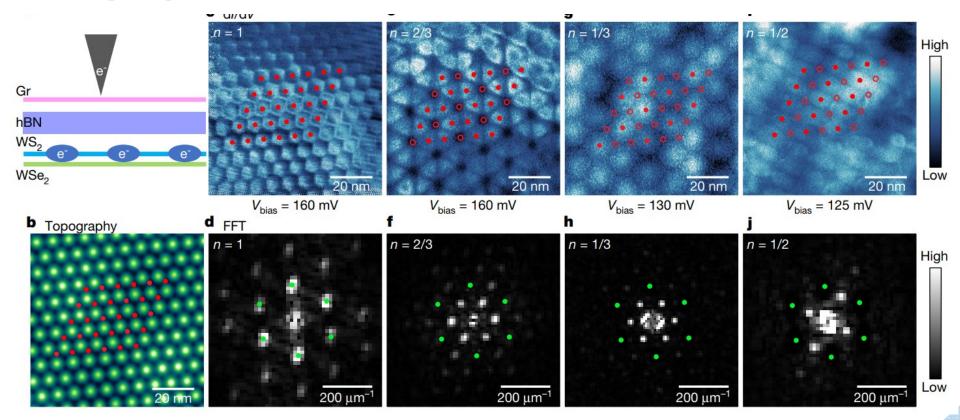
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