



Spintronic Phenomena for Reversible, Neuromorphic, Reservoir, and Secure Computing

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ABSTRACT

The rich physics present in a wide range of spintronic materials and devices provide opportunities for a variety of computing applications. This presentation will describe four distinct proposals to leverage spintronic phenomena for reversible computing, neuromorphic computing, reservoir computing, and hardware security. The presentation will begin with a solution for reversible computing in which magnetic skyrmions propagate and interact in a scalable system with the potential for energy dissipation below the Landauer limit. An approach for neuromorphic computing based on the stochastic switching of spin-transfer torque magnetic tunnel junctions (MTJs) will then be discussed, including results from the first experimental demonstration of a neuromorphic network with MTJ synapses. Next, a reservoir computing system will be described that efficiently leverages the dynamics of frustrated nanomagnets. This presentation will conclude with a logic locking paradigm based on nanomagnet logic, the first logic locking system that is secure against both physical and algorithmic attacks.

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