

Signatures of Collective photon emission and ferroelectric exciton ordering in moiré crystals

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In this talk, I will present our recent observation of many-body interaction-induced ferroelectric ordering of moiré excitons in H-stacked WSe₂/WS₂ heterobilayer. Strong exciton-exciton repulsion leads to an excitonic Mott state with a large on-site energy $U_{xx} \approx 35$ meV. Due to the interplay of anisotropic nature of dipolar interactions, large U_{xx} , and spatially indirect in-plane excitons in H-stacking, we observe signatures of ferroelectric ordering of moiré excitons in time-resolved photoluminescence spectra. In particular, we find a reduction in emission lifetime consistent with this ordering, which can be thought of as a novel cooperative phenomenon [1]. Our observations open new avenues to explore a system of correlated moiré electrons and excitons as a rich platform to study and create quantum matter in a driven-dissipative setting and also a many-body quantum open system simulator to uncover novel cooperative phenomena.

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