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Vision of the Institute

To be a nationally recognized institution of excellence in technical education and produce competent professionals capable of making a valuable contribution to society.

Mission of the Institute

- To promote academic growth by offering state-of-the-art undergraduate and postgraduate programs.
- To undertake collaborative projects which offer opportunities for interaction with academia and industry.
- To develop intellectually capable human potential who are creative, ethical and gifted leaders.

Vision of the Department

To produce globally competent electronics & communication engineering students with knowledge of core as well as inter-discipline domains.

Mission of the Department

- Educating the students in field of electronics and communication engineering to create competent professionals with moral values, social ethics and pursuing higher education.
- Inculcating the understanding technical competence in the fields of electronics and communication engineering and implementation of theoretical concepts in practical multidiscipline scenarios.

TQMs News Highlights



- Researchers at MIT demonstrated a topological transistor that operates with ultra-low energy consumption, setting a benchmark for future processors.
- A European research consortium successfully integrated TQM-based photodetectors into optical communication systems, showing promise for high-speed internet applications.
- In Japan, a team reported advancements in topological insulator-based memory devices, highlighting potential breakthroughs in neuromorphic and spintronic computing.
- Startups in the US and China are actively investing in TQM-enabled sensors for aerospace and defense industries due to their high sensitivity and robustness.the scalability of silicon with the flexibility of 2D materials.

Message from the Head of Department

Delving into the quantum realm, this issue examines Topological Quantum Materials (TQMs), pioneers of the next electronics wave. We explore the development of quantum-inspired electronics, the distinct challenges and opportunities within TQM research, and the emerging trends shaping this revolutionary frontier of science.

Topological Quantum Materials (TQMs): Pioneering the Next Wave of Electronics

Topological Quantum Materials (TQMs) represent a revolutionary class of materials where the laws of topology and quantum mechanics intersect to unlock extraordinary electronic properties. Unlike conventional materials, TQMs host robust surface states that remain protected against defects, impurities, and external perturbations. This resilience, combined with unique phenomena such as spin-momentum locking and exotic quasiparticles, positions them at the forefront of next-generation electronics. From ultra-low power devices to quantum computing and spintronics, TQMs are paving the way for breakthroughs that could redefine the future of technology and information processing.

TQM Development: Unlocking Quantum-Inspired Electronics

Topological Quantum Materials (TQMs) are an emerging class of materials with exotic electronic properties derived from their unique quantum states. Unlike conventional semiconductors, TQMs exhibit robust surface conduction, high mobility, and resistance to defects, making them highly suitable for next-generation electronic and communication applications. Their ability to conduct electricity on the surface while remaining insulating inside opens new possibilities in

low-power, high-efficiency device design. In electronics, TQMs are finding applications in energy-efficient transistors, high-speed data transfer systems, and quantum communication devices. In communication engineering, they promise low-loss signal transmission, ultra-sensitive sensors, and advanced spintronic devices. Their quantum-protected states also make them attractive for secure communication systems and neuromorphic computing architectures.

One of the most exciting prospects of TQMs is their role in quantum computing hardware, where their stability against scattering and interference provides a strong platform for building qubits with longer coherence times. At the same time, they are also being explored for energy storage, advanced photonic devices, and low-power integrated circuits, paving the way for smarter, faster, and greener technologies.

Challenges and Opportunities in TQMs

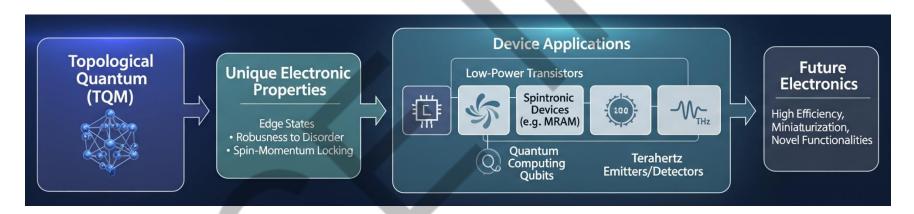
The development of Topological Quantum Materials (TQMs) represents a remarkable opportunity to revolutionize electronics and communication systems, yet it comes with significant technical and practical challenges. On the opportunity side, TQMs offer ultra-efficient charge and spin transport, which could dramatically reduce energy losses in circuits and data centers. This is particularly important for nextgeneration communication networks. where faster, low-power data transmission is critical. In addition, their robust surface states make them highly resistant to defects and disorder, enabling devices that are more reliable and durable over time.

TQMs also open the door for quantum computing applications, where their topological properties can be used to create qubits that are inherently protected from decoherence, potentially overcoming one of the main limitations of conventional quantum hardware. In electronics, TQMs

could lead to high-speed, low-power transistors, spintronic devices, neuromorphic computing architectures, and photonic components. For communication engineering, they enable secure signal transmission, high-sensitivity detectors, and ultra-stable memory devices, all of which are essential for the future of 6G networks and IoT infrastructure.

Despite these opportunities, several challenges must be addressed before TQMs can see widespread adoption. Material synthesis remains a major hurdle, as producing high-quality, defect-free TQMs at scale is complex and costly. Integration with existing semiconductor processes is another challenge; conventional CMOS technology may not easily accommodate these quantum materials without new fabrication techniques. Additionally, device stability and reproducibility are ongoing concerns, since even small imperfections can affect topological properties.

There also economic infrastructural barriers. The specialized equipment and expertise required to study and manufacture TQM-based devices limit access, particularly for smaller research labs and startups. Furthermore, understanding and controlling the quantum phenomena in these materials requires advanced theoretical and experimental research, which takes time and investment. Nevertheless. the potential benefits outweigh the challenges. With coordinated efforts in research, collaboration between academia and industry, and targeted government support, **TQMs** transform electronics and communication engineering. Overcoming the synthesis, integration, and scalability issues will pave the way for smarter, faster, and more energy-efficient devices, positioning TQMs at the forefront of the quantum era in technology.



Emerging Trends in TQMs

Topological Quantum Materials (TQMs) are advancing rapidly, driven by their unique quantum properties and synergy with emerging technologies. A major trend is their integration with spintronics, where electron spin, instead of charge, carries information. This enables faster, energy-efficient circuits, non-volatile memory, and novel logic architectures that consume less power than conventional electronics. Spintronic devices based on TQMs also offer enhanced stability and durability, making them ideal for high-performance computing, data storage, and advanced communication systems.

TQMs are also transforming quantum communication networks. Their topologically protected surface states resist scattering and decoherence, enabling secure. high-speed transfer. data Researchers are developing TQM-based components for quantum key distribution, long-distance optical communication, and cryptographic devices, which will be critical for next-generation networks like 6G.

The fusion of TQMs with photonics is another key trend. Combining TQMs with optical technologies has led to ultrasensitive photodetectors, low-loss optical interconnects. and on-chip light

manipulation devices. These innovations are vital for data centers, high-speed optical communication, LiDAR, and advanced imaging systems, where efficiency and miniaturization are essential.

Simultaneously, TQM-enabled superconducting systems are being explored for quantum computing. Their inherent robustness allows qubits to maintain coherence longer, addressing a major bottleneck in scalable quantum computation. These advancements highlight TQMs' potential to drive low-power, high-speed electronics and secure, next-generation communication systems.

Finally, the development of 2D topological materials and heterostructures is opening exciting avenues for flexible electronics, nanoscale sensors, and environmentally sustainable devices. Their ultra-thin nature allows integration into wearable electronics, compact sensors, and next-generation energy-efficient systems, expanding the possibilities of both consumer and industrial electronics.