Oxide Nanoelectronics on Demand

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By scanning a positively biased conductive AFM tip in contact mode at LaAIO₃ top surface, nanoscale patterns of conductive regions can be written at the interface between LaAlO₃ and SrTiO₃ at room temperature.

by scanning the same area with negatively biased AFM probe. Conductive nanowires as narrow as 2.1 nm and Isolated dots as small as 1 nm have been created.



Direct conductive → Thermal hopping \rightarrow Quantum tunneling

Potential barriers in the middle of a conductina channel can be created by applying a negative voltage to the AFM tip and scanning it across the channel.







References

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Confinement of electrons in an onedimensional nanowire can suppress backscat-tering and lead to the observation of quantum Hall states.

Rectification of transport, analogous with conventional Schottky diodes, can (a) be achieved by creatina an asymmetric potential barriers using triangular voltage profiles.



The conductance of the junction area in a SketchFET is sensitive to visible and infrared light. Sensitivity of the photocurrent is wavelengthdependent and can be tuned by gate bias. Onthe-fly placement of photosensitive junctions can lead to novel applications in nanophotonic devices and optical sensors.



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ratio $> 10^4$. I_{B} (nm)