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Titanium dioxide ( $\text{TiO}_2$ ) is a widely used photocatalytic material with many potential applications in electronics, optoelectronics, and photovoltaics. The change of the crystal structure by impurity hydrogen (H) and oxygen vacancy ( $\text{V}_\text{O}$ ) affects the electronic properties and the activation performance of  $\text{TiO}_2$ . Therefore, we pay attention to the effect of H doping of  $\text{TiO}_2$ , and there are excess electrons accompanying H or  $\text{V}_\text{O}$ . It is known that the electrons can localize at Ti 3d orbitals, forming  $\text{Ti}^{3+}$  ions [1, 2]. The trapped electrons form small polarons that consist of the electrons coupled to the distortion of the lattice around the  $\text{Ti}^{3+}$  ions. We examine the structure of H in rutile  $\text{TiO}_2$  by using density functional theory (DFT) calculation. The spin density for a localized electron in Ti site exists and it is verified that the excess electrons are described as localized small polarons by DFT calculation. We also understand H behavior by calculating the isotropic and anisotropic hyperfine coupling constants. Because muonium in crystals behaves similarly to H, muon spin rotation ( $\mu\text{SR}$ ) has played an important role in identification of hydrogen-like states in  $\text{TiO}_2$ . We evaluate the accuracy of DFT calculation for H in  $\text{TiO}_2$  by the comparison with hyperfine parameters of  $\mu\text{SR}$  [3].

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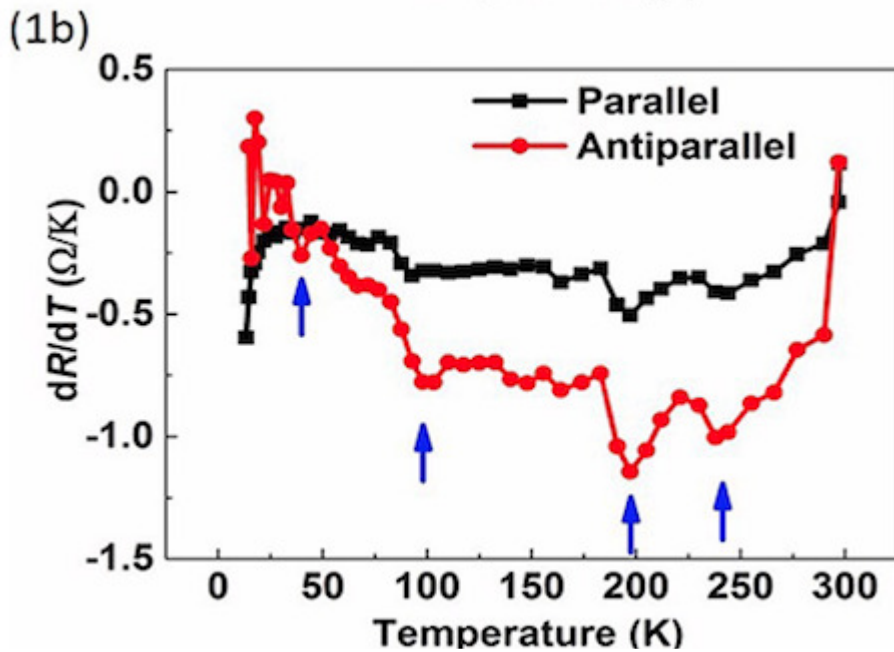
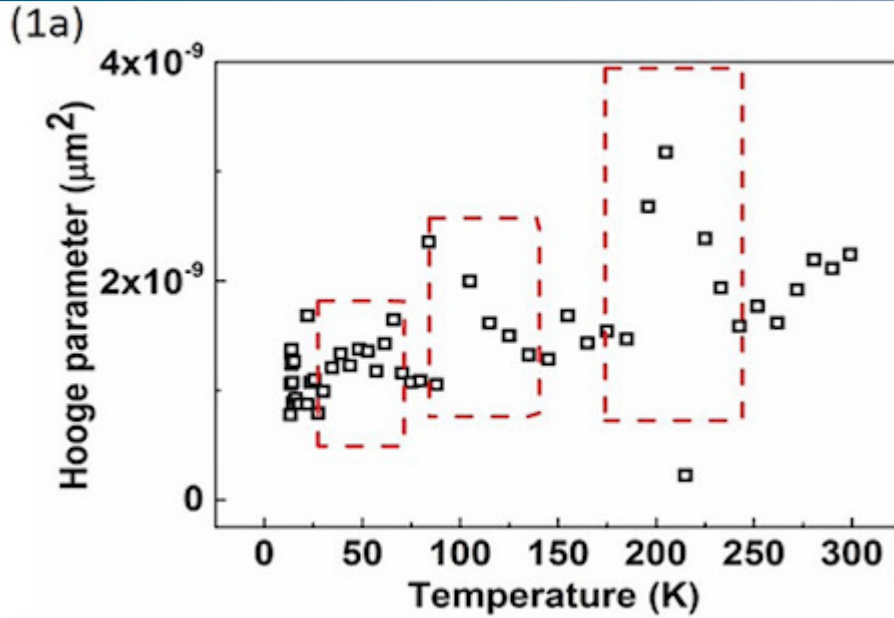
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### Enhancement of $1/f$ noise due to thermally-activated trapping-detrapping processes in Magnetic Tunnel Junctions (MTJs)

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In MTJs, the electronic  $1/f$  noise is attributed to the resistance fluctuation that originates from the trapping-detrapping (TD) events during tunneling process [1]. Previous studies have focused on the impact of temperature ( $T$ ),<sup>2</sup> bias voltage,<sup>3</sup> and magnetization configuration<sup>2</sup> on the electronic  $1/f$  noise. However, a more elaborated description of TD mechanism is still lacking. Herein we investigated the  $T$  dependence of the electronic  $1/f$  noise and several abnormal noise peaks were observed (Fig.1a). These peaks should not arise from the random telegraph noise because no Lorentzian feature was observed.<sup>4</sup> They presumably derive from the activation of extra TD events during the tunneling process, which is evidenced by the observation of the dips in the  $dR(T)/dT$  curve (Fig.1b). These TD processes impede the tunneling of electrons and locally increase the resistance ( $R$ ). As a result, the  $R$  fluctuation in MTJs is promoted, enhancing the electronic  $1/f$  noise. Since the manifestation of the electronic  $1/f$  noise is closely related to the activation energies of TD processes, the observed phenomenon indicates that the distribution of activation energies of the thermally-activated TD processes could be dramatically altered at certain  $T$ , leading to the abnormally boosted electronic  $1/f$  noise.



[Temperature dependence of electronic 1/f noise]

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