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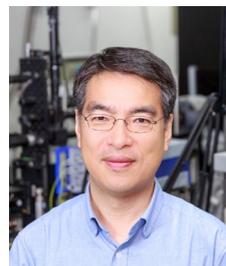
Title of the Presentation: Optical spectroscopy of twisted TMD heterostructures

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Short Biography:

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Abstract:

Heterostructures of transition metal dichalcogenides (TMDs) have been extensively studied as the alignment of the bands in the constituent materials allow for manipulation of optoelectronic and transport properties. The band offset between the bands is usually the most important parameter in determining the physical properties of these structures. However, as evidenced in the so-called 'magic-angle graphene' [1], the twist angle between the crystallographic directions of the two layers is an important parameter that affect the physical properties. As the twist angle between two layers of a given set of materials is varied, the moiré periodicity changes. The additional periodicity imposed by the moiré superlattice modifies the phonon spectrum as well as the electronic band structure, and the optoelectronic properties of the HSs change systematically. Furthermore, at very small twist angles, atomic-scale lattice reconstruction [2] has been observed and should be accounted for in describing the physical properties of heterostructures. In this talk, I will present some of the latest experimental data on the phonon spectra and the band structures from twisted heterostructures of different combination of TMDs.

[1] Cao Y., et al., Nature (2018); 556, 43; Ibid. 80.

[2] Yoo H., et al., Nature Materials (2019), 18, 448.