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A temperature gradient applied to a ferromagnetic metal induces not only independent flows of electrons and magnons but also drag currents because of their mutual interaction. In this paper, we present a microscopic study of the electron flow induced by the drag due to magnons. The analysis is based on the s–d model, which describes conduction electrons and magnons coupled via the s–d exchange interaction. Magnetic impurities are introduced in the electron subsystem as a source of spin relaxation. The obtained magnon-drag electron current is proportional to the entropy of magnons and to $\alpha - \beta$ (more precisely, to $1 - \beta/\alpha$), where $\alpha$ is the Gilbert damping constant and $\beta$ is the dissipative spin-transfer torque parameter. This result almost coincides with the previous phenomenological result based on the magnonic spin-motive forces, and consists of spin-transfer and momentum-transfer contributions, but with a slight disagreement in the former. The result is interpreted in terms of the nonequilibrium spin chemical potential generated by nonequilibrium magnons.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Transport phenomena in ferromagnetic metals exhibit surprisingly rich physics as unveiled by intensive studies in spintronics. This is largely because they involve transport of not only charge and heat but also spin angular momentum. In the presence of magnetization textures, applying an electric current induces magnetization dynamics because of spin-transfer torques that the spin current of electrons exerts on the magnetization [1,2]. In turn, a time-dependent magnetization induces spin and charge currents of electrons via spin-motive forces that are reciprocal to the spin-transfer torques [3]. Even when the (equilibrium) magnetization is uniform, its thermal/quantum fluctuations, i.e., spin waves or magnons, can interact with electrons. Moreover, transport through an inhomogeneous region induces nonequilibrium spin accumulation, both in electrons and magnons, which then induce diffusion spin currents. The concept of “spin chemical potential” [4] and “magnon chemical potential” [5] have been introduced to describe such effects.

One of the important effects in the interplay of electrons and magnons in transport phenomena are drag effects. When subjected to a temperature gradient, electrons and magnons flow not only independently but also by dragging each other. Thermoelectric measurements indicate the presence of magnon-drag contributions in Fe [6], NiCu [7], NiFe [8], and in Fe, Co, and Ni [9]. Theoretical studies include both phenomenological [7,10,11] and microscopic [12] ones. In particular, phenomenological studies based on the spin-motive force picture [10,11] indicate the importance of the dissipative $\beta$ parameter, which stems from spin relaxation of electrons. Microscopic treatment of spin-relaxation effects requires the consideration of so-called vertex corrections, beyond the simple self-energy (damping or scattering-time) effects, as noted in the study of current-induced spin torque [13,14], but such studies are not available yet for the drag effects. In a related work, which studies spin torques due to magnons, a careful treatment of the spin-relaxation effects revealed an additional contribution not obtained in a phenomenological analysis [15]. Therefore, one may expect an analogous situation also in magnon-drag transport phenomena.

In this paper, we present a microscopic analysis of magnon-drag electric current (or electron flow) induced by a temperature gradient. Using the s–d model that describes conduction electrons interacting with magnons, we calculate the electric current caused by magnons that are driven by the temperature gradient. The temperature gradient is treated by its mechanical equivalent, a fictitious gravitational field, introduced by Luttinger [16]. The obtained result consists of two terms, which may be interpreted as due to the spin-transfer effect and the momentum-transfer effect, as in the phenomenological theory [11]. However, as to the former (spin-transfer effect), there is a quantitative difference, and our result is proportional to $\alpha - \beta$ (or $1 - \beta/\alpha$), where $\alpha$ is the Gilbert damping constant. It vanishes, and changes sign, at $\alpha = \beta$, which agrees with the intuitive notion that the case $\alpha = \beta$ is very special as recognized in the studies of current-induced spin torques [2]. To the best of our knowledge, the present result provides the first example that this is also the case for the inverse effect, i.e., that the case $\alpha = \beta$ is very special also for the magnetization-dynamics-induced electron current. This may mostly be of conceptual importance, but it will acquire a practical one if one can determine the value of $\beta/\alpha$ from magnon-drag experiments. We interpret the results in terms of the spin chemical potential induced by magnons. In the course of our study, we give an
argument that justifies Luttinger’s prescription by an explicit calculation.

The organization of the paper is as follows. In Sec. II, we describe the microscopic model and some calculational tools such as Green’s functions. In Sec. III, we outline the microscopic calculation of magnon-drag electron flow. The result is discussed in terms of spin-motive force and spin chemical potential. In Sec. IV, we revisit the phenomenological theory based on the spin-motive force, and compare the result with our microscopic result. In Sec. V, we give an alternative analysis which “derives” the spin chemical potential. Details of the microscopic calculations are presented in Appendices A and B. In Appendix C, we reanalyze the phenomenological theory in another way using the stochastic Landau-Lifshitz-Gilbert equation.

II. MODEL

A. Hamiltonian

We consider a system consisting of conduction electrons and magnons in a ferromagnetic metal with uniform equilibrium magnetization. The Hamiltonian is given by

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{el}^0 + \mathcal{H}_{mag} + \mathcal{H}_{sd},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{el}^0 = \int d\mathbf{r} \left[ \frac{1}{2m} \left( \partial_t \mathbf{c}^\dagger \right) (\partial_t \mathbf{c}) + \mathbf{c}^\dagger \left( V_{\text{imp}} - \mu \right) \mathbf{c} \right],$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{mag} = \sum_q \omega_q \mathbf{a}_q \mathbf{a}_q^\dagger,$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{sd} = -J_{sd} \int d\mathbf{r} c^\dagger (\mathbf{S} \cdot \sigma) \mathbf{c},$$

where \( c = (c_1, c_1^\dagger) \) and \( c^\dagger = (c_1^\dagger, c_1) \) are annihilation and creation operators of the electrons, \( \mathbf{a}_q \) and \( \mathbf{a}_q^\dagger \) are those of magnons, and \( \mu \) and \( m \) are the mass and the chemical potential of the electrons, \( \omega_q = \sqrt{J q^2 + \Delta} \) is the magnon dispersion with exchange stiffness \( J \) and energy gap \( \Delta \), \( S = S_n \) (\( |n| = 1 \)) is the localized spin with magnitude \( S \), \( \sigma = (\sigma^x, \sigma^y, \sigma^z) \) are Pauli matrices, and \( J_{sd} \) is the s-d exchange coupling constant. We consider low enough temperature and assume \( S \) is constant. Hereafter we use \( M \equiv J_{sd} S \) and \( \mathbf{n} \) instead of \( S \). For \( V_{\text{imp}} \), we consider both nonmagnetic and magnetic impurities,

$$V_{\text{imp}}(\mathbf{r}) = u_i \sum_{j} \mathbf{S}_j \cdot \sigma \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_j),$$

where \( \mathbf{S}_j \) is the impurity spin located at position \( \mathbf{R}_j \). We average over the impurity positions, \( \mathbf{R}_i \) and \( \mathbf{R}_j \), as usual, and the impurity spin directions,

$$\overline{S_i^a S_j^\beta} = \delta_{ij} \delta_{a \beta} \times \begin{cases} S_i^x S_j^x + S_i^y S_j^y & (\alpha = \beta = x, y), \\ S_i^z S_j^z & (\alpha = \beta = z). \end{cases}$$

The s-d exchange interaction describes the exchange-splitting in the electron spectrum, and the electron-magnon scattering,

$$\mathcal{H}_{sd} = -M \int d\mathbf{r} \sigma^c \mathbf{c} + \mathcal{H}_{el-mag},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{el-mag} = M \int d\mathbf{r} \left[ \frac{1}{S_0} a^\dagger a - \sqrt{\frac{2}{S_0}} (a \hat{\sigma}^c + a^\dagger \hat{\sigma}^c) \right],$$

where \( S_0 = S / r_0^3 \) is the spin density of the magnetization, \( r_0 \) the lattice constant, \( \hat{\sigma} = c^\dagger \sigma c \), and \( \hat{\sigma}^\pm = (\hat{\sigma}^x \pm i \hat{\sigma}^y) / 2 \). We consider electron-magnon interaction to be dominant over magnon-impurity scattering, and neglect the latter. This is motivated by the fact that in metals the Gilbert damping is orders of magnitude larger than in insulators.

Thus the total Hamiltonian is given by

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{el} + \mathcal{H}_{mag} + \mathcal{H}_{el-mag},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{el} = \int d\mathbf{r} \left[ \frac{1}{2m} \left( \partial_t \mathbf{c}^\dagger \right) (\partial_t \mathbf{c}) + \mathbf{c}^\dagger \left( V_{\text{imp}} - \mu \right) \mathbf{c} - M c^\dagger \sigma^c \mathbf{c} \right].$$

B. Green’s function

The Green’s functions of electrons \( G_{\text{el}}(i \epsilon_n) \) and magnons \( D_q(i \nu_i) \) are given by

$$G_{\text{el}}(i \epsilon_n) = \frac{1}{i \epsilon_n + \mu - k^2 / 2m + \sigma M - \Sigma_{\sigma}(i \epsilon_n)},$$

$$D_q(i \nu_i) = \frac{1}{i \nu_i - \omega_q - \Pi_q(i \nu_i)},$$

with Matsubara frequencies, \( \epsilon_n = (2n + 1) \pi T \) and \( \nu_i = 2 \pi l T \), and self-energies, \( \Sigma_{\sigma}(i \epsilon_n) \) and \( \Pi_q(i \nu_i) \), for the electrons and magnons, respectively.

We assume the electron self-energy is dominated by impurity scattering and treat it in the Born approximation [Fig. 1(a)]. Thus, \( \Sigma_{\sigma}(\epsilon) = \Sigma_{\sigma}(\epsilon + i 0) = -i \gamma_0 \), with

$$\gamma_0 = \pi (\Gamma_{1\nu_0} + \Gamma_{2\nu_0}) = \frac{1}{2 \tau_{\sigma}},$$

and

$$\Gamma_1 = n_i u_i^2 + n_s u_s^2 S_s^2, \quad \Gamma_2 = 2 n_i u_i^2 S_s^2.$$

Here, \( n_i \) (\( n_s \)) is the concentration of nonmagnetic (magnetic) impurities, and \( \nu_0 \) is the density of states of spin-\( \sigma \) electrons.

Fig. 1. (a) Self-energy of electrons, \( \Sigma \). (b) Self-energy of magnons, \( \Pi \). (c) Spin vertex \( \Lambda_\alpha \) renormalized by impurity-ladder corrections. (d) Four-point vertex \( \Gamma_{\sigma \sigma'} \), which we call the diffusion-type vertex correction, or simply, the diffusion propagator. The solid (wavy) lines represent electron (magnon) propagators, and the dashed line with a cross represents impurity scattering.
The magnon self-energy comes from the electron-magnon scattering [Fig. 1(b)]. Expanding with respect to the wave vector \( \mathbf{q} \) and the frequency \( \nu \) of magnons, we write

\[
\Pi_q(\nu + i0) = -\left[ \frac{\delta S}{S} + i\frac{\alpha}{\zeta} \right] \nu + \delta Jq^2 + O(\nu^2, \nu^4). \tag{15}
\]

Here, \( \delta S, \delta J, \) and \( z \equiv S/(S + \delta S) \) are the renormalization constants for spin, the exchange stiffness, and wave function, respectively, of the magnons. Also, \( \alpha \) is the Gilbert damping constant calculated as [13]

\[
\alpha = \pi n_c \nu_0^2 [2S^2 v_1 v_\perp + S^2 (v_1^2 + v_\perp^2)] z / x_0. \tag{16}
\]

Here and hereafter, we assume the s-d exchange coupling \( M \) is much larger than the spin-relaxation rate [15].

As seen from \( H_{\text{el-mag}} \) [Eq. (8)], the natural expansion parameter in the electron-magnon problem is \( s_0^{-1} \) (or \( S^{-1} \)). In this paper, we focus on the leading contributions, which are \( O(s_0^{-1}) \). As seen below, we need two electron-magnon scattering vertices in the magnon-drag process, giving \( -s_0^{-1/2} = s_0^{-1} \). Since \( \delta S \) and \( \delta J \) are \( O(s_0^{-1}) \), we set \( z = 1 \) and \( \delta J = 0 \) in the magnon Green’s function.

### III. MICROSCOPIC CALCULATION

#### A. Thermal linear-response theory

To treat the temperature gradient in the linear response theory, we introduce Luttinger’s (fictitious) gravitational potential \( \psi \), which couples to the energy density \( h(r) \) of the system [16]. The coupling is described by the Hamiltonian

\[
\mathcal{H}' = \int d^3r h(r)\psi(r, t). \tag{17}
\]

We consider the case \( \psi(r, t) = \psi_{Q, \omega} e^{iQ \cdot r - i\omega t} \), where \( Q \) and \( \omega \) are the wave vector and the frequency of \( \psi \), and write the linear response of a physical quantity \( A \) to \( \psi \) as

\[
\langle A \rangle_{\omega}^\psi = -\langle A; h(-Q) \rangle_{\omega+i0} \psi_{Q, \omega}, \tag{18}
\]

where \( h(-Q) \) is the Fourier component of \( h(r) \). The response function \( \langle A; B \rangle_{\omega+i0} \) is obtained from

\[
\langle A; B \rangle_{\omega+i0} = \int_0^{T-1} d\tau e^{i\omega \tau} \langle T_\tau A(T)B \rangle_{\text{eq}} \tag{19}
\]

by the analytic continuation, \( i\omega_0 \rightarrow \omega - i0 \), where \( A \) and \( B \) are arbitrary operators. Here, \( T \) is the temperature and \( \langle \cdots \rangle_{\text{eq}} \) represents the average in thermal equilibrium. Hereafter we use \( \langle \cdots \rangle \) instead of \( \langle \cdots \rangle_{\text{eq}} \) for simplicity. Using the continuity equation,

\[
\partial_\tau h(r) + \partial_j j_i^Q = 0, \tag{20}
\]

which defines the heat-current density \( j_i^Q \), we rewrite Eq. (18) as a linear response to \(-\partial_j \psi \) [17],

\[
\langle A \rangle_{\omega}^\psi = \frac{K_i(\omega + i0) - K_i(0)}{i\omega} \left( -\partial_j \psi - \frac{\partial_j T}{T} \right), \tag{21}
\]

\[
K_i(\omega) = \langle A; j_i^Q(-Q) \rangle_{\text{eq}}. \tag{22}
\]

Here, we introduced the temperature gradient \( \partial_j T \) through the combination \(-\partial_j \psi - \partial_j T / T \). This is justified for operators \( A \) of which the average vanishes naturally in the equilibrium state, where \( \partial_j T / T + \partial_j \psi = 0 \) holds [16,17]. Therefore, the response to \(-\partial_j T / T\) is obtained as the response to \(-\partial_j \psi \) [16].

#### B. Magnon-drag process

Specializing to the present model, Eq. (9), we find from Eq. (20) that the heat-current density \( j_i^Q \) consists of two parts, \( j_i^Q = j_{\text{el}, i}^Q + j_{\text{mag}, i}^Q \), one for the electrons \( j_{\text{el}, i}^Q \) and one for magnons,

\[
j_{\text{mag}, i}^Q = -J(\hat{a}^\dagger (\partial_t c) - (\partial_t c^\dagger)c), \tag{23}
\]

where \( \hat{a} = \partial_t c \).

In this paper, we are interested in the magnon-drag process, which corresponds to taking the magnon heat-current density \( j_{\text{mag}, i}^Q \) for \( j_i^Q \) in Eq. (22). As for \( A \) in Eq. (22), we focus on the electron (number) current density,

\[
\langle j_{\text{el}, i} \rangle_{\text{drag}} = \frac{\hbar}{2mi} [c^\dagger (\partial_t c) - (\partial_t c^\dagger)c]. \tag{24}
\]

Therefore, we consider

\[
\langle j_{\text{el}, i} \rangle_{\text{drag}} = \frac{K_{ij}(\omega + i0) - K_{ij}(0)}{i\omega} \left( -\partial_j \psi - \frac{\partial_j T}{T} \right), \tag{25}
\]

\[
K_{ij}(\omega) = \langle j_{\text{el}, i}(Q)j_{\text{mag}, j}(-Q) \rangle_{\text{eq}}. \tag{26}
\]

i.e., the correlation function between the electron (number) current and the magnon heat current. Here \( j_{\text{el}, i}(Q) \) and \( j_{\text{mag}, j}(-Q) \) represent their respective Fourier components. The combination \(-\partial_j \psi - \partial_j T / T \) in Eq. (25) indicates that the current vanishes in the equilibrium state, in which \(-\partial_j \psi - \partial_j T / T \) = 0 (Einstein-Luttinger relation) holds. We will verify this form by an explicit calculation in Secs. V A and V B.

The relevant magnon-drag processes are shown diagrammatically in Fig. 2(a). These are the leading contribution with respect to \( 1/s_0 \), and expressed as

\[
K_{ij}(\omega_0) = \frac{2M^2}{s_0} T \sum_{i, q} u_i \left\{ \left( iv_i + i\omega_0 \right) D_q(iv_i + i\omega_0)D_q(iv_i) \right. \right.
\]

\[
- \left. \frac{1}{2} \left[ D_q(iv_i + i\omega_0) + D_q(iv_i) \right] \right\} \mathcal{E}_i, \tag{27}
\]

where \( u_i = 2Jq_i \) is the magnon velocity, \( \omega_0 \) is the Matsubara frequency of the external perturbation \( \psi \), and we have set \( Q = 0 \) for simplicity. The terms linear in \( D_q \) are "corrections"
arising from the δ function in the relation [17]

\begin{equation}
(T, a(\tau)a^\dagger) = -(T, a(\tau)a^\dagger) = \frac{d}{d\tau}D(\tau) + \delta(\tau).
\end{equation}

These terms, combined with the first term (−D_q D_q) in the curly brackets, lead to \(\{\cdots\} = \{i\omega + \frac{1}{2} [\Pi_q(i\nu_l + i\omega_o) + \Pi_q(i\nu_l)]\} D_q D_q\). This amounts to making a replacement, \(i\nu_l + i\omega_o/2 \to \omega_q\), in the first term if the self-energies are neglected.

The last factor \(E_i\) in Eq. (27) is the electron part coming from the electron triangles in Fig. 2(a),

\[ E_i = T \sum_{n,k} v_l [G_{k\downarrow}(i\nu_n + i\omega_o) \Lambda_{\uparrow\downarrow} G_{k-q\uparrow}(i\nu_n - i\nu_l) \times \Lambda_{\downarrow\uparrow} G_{k\downarrow}(i\nu_n + i\omega_o) \Lambda_{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{k\downarrow}(i\nu_n + i\omega_o) \Lambda_{\downarrow\uparrow} \times G_{k+q\uparrow}(i\nu_n + i\nu_l + i\omega_o) \Lambda_{\downarrow\uparrow} G_{k\downarrow}(i\nu_n)], \]

where \(v_l = k_i/m\) is the electron velocity and \(\Lambda_{\sigma\sigma'}\)'s are the renormalized spin (\(\sigma \pm\)) vertices; see Appendix A for the definition. After the analytic continuations, \(i\nu_l \to \nu\) and \(i\omega_o \to \omega + i0\), an expansion is made with respect to \(\omega\) and/or \(\nu\). From Eq. (25), we are primarily interested in the \(\omega\)-linear terms. The factor \(\omega\) comes either from the magnon part or from the electron part. Hence we write

\[
E_{i}^{(1)} \simeq \frac{1}{(2M)^2} \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_\downarrow}{e^2} (-i\omega q_i) + E_{i}^{(1)(0)},
\]

where \(\sigma_\sigma = e^2 (u_{F\sigma}^2) v_\sigma \tau_\sigma\) is the conductivity of electrons with spin \(\sigma\),

\[
\beta_{\text{cl}} = \frac{\pi n_{\text{e}} u_{\text{e}}^2}{M} \left[ (S_+^2 + S_\downarrow^2) v_\uparrow + P^{-1}(S_+^2 - S_\downarrow^2) v_- \right]
\]

is the so-called \(\beta\) parameter that parametrizes the dissipative corrections to the spin-transfer torque [13,14] and to the Berry-phase spin-motive force [18,19]. We define \(\nu_{\pm} = \nu_{\uparrow} \pm \nu_{\downarrow}\) and \(P = (\sigma_+ - \sigma_\downarrow)/(\sigma_+ + \sigma_\downarrow)\). For the present purpose, we can discard the \(\omega\)-linear term in \(E_i^{(2)}\). It will be used in Sec. IV when we discuss the spin-motive force. The magnon part is calculated by using

\[
\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\nu \left( -\frac{\partial n}{\partial \nu} \right) v_l^2 \sum_q u_l q_i D^R_q D^A_q = \frac{1}{2\alpha} T_{\text{mag}} \delta_{ij},
\]

\[
\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\nu v_l \sum_q u_l q_i \text{Im} \left[ (D^R_q)^2 \right] = E_{\text{mag}} \delta_{ij},
\]

where \(\delta_{ij}\) is the Kronecker delta.
\[
\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\nu \langle v \rangle \sum_q n_q \langle D_q^2 \rangle = \Omega_{\text{mag}} \delta_{ij},
\]

where \( E_{\text{mag}} = \sum_q \omega_q n(\omega_q) \) is the energy density, \( \Omega_{\text{mag}} = k_B T \sum_q \ln(1 - e^{-\beta \omega_q / k_B T}) \) is the thermodynamic potential density, and \( S_{\text{mag}} = -\beta \Omega_{\text{mag}} / \beta T \) is the entropy density of magnons. Thus the magnon-drag electron (number) current is obtained as

\[
\langle j_{\text{el,dr}} \rangle = -\frac{1}{2s_0} \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_1}{e^2} \left[ E_{\text{mag}} - \frac{\beta \delta T}{\alpha} S_{\text{mag}} - \Omega_{\text{mag}} \right] (-\partial_i \psi) - \frac{1}{2s_0} \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_1}{e^2} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta \delta T}{\alpha} \right) S_{\text{mag}} (-\partial_i \psi),
\]

where we used \( \Omega_{\text{mag}} = E_{\text{mag}} - T S_{\text{mag}} \). Note that \( \Omega_{\text{mag}} \), which arises as “corrections” here, turned the energy \( E_{\text{mag}} \) into the entropy \( T S_{\text{mag}} \), and the result depends on magnons only through their entropy. This is the main result of this paper.

C. Result

A physical result is obtained by replacing \( \partial_i \psi \) by \( \partial_i T / T \),

\[
\langle j_{\text{el,dr}} \rangle = -\frac{1}{2s_0} \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_1}{e^2} \left[ E_{\text{mag}} - \beta \delta T \right] S_{\text{mag}} (-\partial_i \psi) - \frac{1}{2s_0} \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_1}{e^2} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta \delta T}{\alpha} \right) \nabla \Omega_{\text{mag}}.
\]

In the second line, we noted \( S_{\text{mag}} = -\beta \Omega_{\text{mag}} / \beta T \) and assumed that \( \Omega_{\text{mag}} \) is position (\( r \)) dependent only through the local temperature, \( T = T(r) \).

The obtained magnon-drag current, Eq. (39), is proportional to \( \sigma_1 - \sigma_1 \) [20]. This indicates that the magnons exert on the electrons a spin-dependent force,

\[
F_\sigma = -\frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_1}{2s_0} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta \delta T}{\alpha} \right) \nabla \Omega_{\text{mag}},
\]

where \( \sigma = \pm 1 \) depending on the electron spin projection, \( \sigma = \uparrow \) or \( \downarrow \). Some discussion will be given in Sec. IV in relation to the spin-motive force.

Equation (40) has the form of a total gradient, suggesting that it is of diffusive nature and is induced by a spin-dependent, nonequilibrium chemical potential,

\[
\delta \mu_\sigma = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_1}{2s_0} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta \delta T}{\alpha} \right) \delta \Omega_{\text{mag}},
\]

where \( \delta \Omega_{\text{mag}} \) is the deviation of \( \Omega_{\text{mag}} \) from its thermal-equilibrium value. In Sec. V, B, we will give a further analysis that supports this picture of the spin chemical potential.

IV. PHENOMENOLOGY BASED ON SPIN-MOTIVE FORCE

In this section, we revisit the phenomenology based on the spin-motive force along the lines of Refs. [10,11], and compare the result with the microscopic result. The physical pictures that emerge from the microscopic study are also discussed.

When the magnetization vector \( \mathbf{n} \) varies in space and time, it exerts a spin-dependent force, \( \pm F_i \), on electrons, where

\[
F_i = \frac{\hbar}{2} [\mathbf{n} \times (\dot{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{n})] - \beta \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_i \mathbf{n}.
\]

This is called the spin-motive force. The first term is the “Berry phase term” and the second term with a dimensionless coefficient \( \beta \) is the dissipative correction, which we call the \( \beta \) term [18,19,21]. (\( \beta \) is equal to \( \beta \) [Eq. (33)], but we continue to use these notations: \( \beta \) for the microscopically calculated one, and \( \beta \) for the phenomenologically introduced one.) These effects are reciprocal to the current-induced spin torques; the former is reciprocal to the spin-transfer torque, and the latter to its dissipative correction.

Spin waves, or magnons, can also be the origin of the spin-motive force. Although they are fluctuations, they will induce a net electron current

\[
\langle j_{\text{el,smf}} \rangle = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_1}{e^2} (F_i),
\]

if the average survives, \( \langle F_i \rangle \neq 0 \). This will contribute to the magnon-drag electron current. Here we assume a uniformly magnetized state at equilibrium, \( \mathbf{n}_{\text{eq}} = \pm \mathbf{z} \), and consider small fluctuations \( \delta \mathbf{n} \) around it, such that \( \mathbf{n} = \pm \mathbf{z} + \delta \mathbf{n} \). With magnon operators, \( \{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^\dagger\} = (s_0 / 2)^2 (\delta n_{\uparrow z} \pm i \delta n_{\downarrow z}) \), we rewrite \( F_i \) as

\[
F_i = \frac{i}{2s_0} \left[ -\dot{\mathbf{a}} \dot{\mathbf{a}} + (\dot{\mathbf{a}}^\dagger \mathbf{a}) \dot{\mathbf{a}} \right] - \frac{\beta}{2s_0} \left[ \mathbf{a} \cdot \partial_i \mathbf{a} + (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a}) \dot{\mathbf{a}} \right].
\]

As noted previously [10,11], the second term is essentially the magnon heat current \( j_{\text{mag,smf}} \). Here we note that the first term is expressed by the magnon energy, \( \hbar_{\text{mag}} = i (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a}) / 2 \), and the magnon current \( j_{\text{mag},i} = -iJ (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \partial_i \mathbf{a} - (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a}) \dot{\mathbf{a}}) \). Thus,

\[
F_i = \frac{1}{2s_0} \left[ \partial_i h_{\text{mag}} + \frac{1}{2J} \partial_j j_{\text{mag},j} + \frac{J}{2} \partial_j j_{\text{mag},j} \right].
\]

Let us evaluate each term in Eq. (45) for a steady state with a temperature gradient. Since the first term has a spatial derivative \( \partial_i \), we evaluate it in the local equilibrium state as \( \langle h_{\text{mag}} \rangle = E_{\text{mag}}(T) \), which depends on \( r \) through the local temperature \( T = T(r) \). This leads to \( \langle \partial_i h_{\text{mag}} \rangle = (\partial \Omega_{\text{mag}} / \partial T) (\partial_i T) \). The second term vanishes in the steady state because of the overall time derivative. The third term is evaluated as \( \langle j_{\text{mag},i} \rangle = -\kappa \Omega_{\text{mag}} \) with the magnon heat conductivity \( \kappa \). This is calculated using, e.g., the Kubo-Luttinger formula as [22]

\[
\kappa = \frac{1}{T} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} \left( -\frac{\partial n}{\partial v} \right)^2 \sum_q \mathbf{u}_q^2 \mathbf{D}_q^2 \mathbf{D}_q^2 = \frac{J}{2} S_{\text{mag}},
\]

where we used Eq. (34). This expression for \( \kappa \) in terms of magnon entropy also follows from an intuitive argument. Following Drude, and with a slight reformulation using a distribution function, one may express the magnon heat-current density at position \( x \) as [23]

\[
j_{\text{mag}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q n_q \omega_q [n(x - u_q \tau) - n(x + u_q \tau)],
\]

where \( n(x) \) is the Bose distribution function defined with a local temperature \( T(x) \), \( \tau = (2\alpha \omega_q)^{-1} \) is the lifetime of magnons, and the temperature gradient is assumed in the \( x \) direction. The first term represents the energy flow from the left region, and the second term from the right, which are due to magnons that experienced their last collision at \( x \pm u_q \tau \); the factor 1/2 is there because half of
magnons at $x \pm u_\tau$, namely, those with $q_x > 0$ or $q_x < 0$ propagate to $x$. Expanding as $n(x - u_\tau) - n(x + u_\tau) \simeq -2u_\tau(\partial n/\partial T)(\partial T/\partial \tau)$ and using Eq. (B16), one has

$$
\kappa = \frac{1}{2\alpha} \sum_q u_q^2 n(q) = \frac{J}{\alpha} S_{\text{mag}},
$$

in agreement with Eq. (46).

Taken together, we obtain

$$
\langle F_i \rangle = \frac{1}{2s_0} \left[ -\frac{\partial E_{\text{mag}}}{\partial T} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} S_{\text{mag}} \right] (-\partial T).
$$

The same result has been obtained by other methods; see Appendix C. Therefore, we may conclude that any (phenomenological) theories starting from the spin-motive force lead to Eq. (49). The first term is somewhat different from the one obtained in Ref. [11], and gives a slight revision to it (see Appendix C3).

We now compare Eq. (49) with the microscopic result, Eq. (38). One readily sees a disagreement in the first term; namely, the entropy $S_{\text{mag}}$ appears in the microscopic result instead of $\partial E_{\text{mag}}/\partial T$ in the phenomenological result.

To identify the origin of the difference, let us look at the Feynman diagram. To calculate the spin-motive force, one calculates the electric current induced by magnetization dynamics [18]. This can be done by considering small fluctuations $\delta n$ around the uniform magnetization, and looking at the second-order (nonlinear) response to $\delta n$ [24]. This is expressed diagrammatically in Fig. 3(a), and the response function is given by $E^{(2)}$ in Eq. (31). Therefore, the induced current is calculated as

$$
\langle j_{el,i} \rangle = \frac{2M^2}{s_0} E^{(2)}_{\text{el}} a_{q,v} a^*_{-q,-v},
$$

where $a, a^*$ is a classical (c-number) counterpart of $\{a, a^\dagger\}$ defined just above Eq. (44), and the subscripts indicate their wave vector and frequency. This leads to Eq. (44), hence to Eq. (42). Therefore, the spin-motive force is described by the $\nu$- and $\omega$-linear terms in $E^{(2)}_{\text{el}}$. The appearance of $E^{(2)}_{\text{el}}$ (originally from the magnon-drag calculation) in the nonlinear response here is due to the matching of the causality relationship; see Fig. 3(b) and the caption thereof.

On the other hand, in the present magnon-drag process, the first term comes from the $\omega$-linear term in $E^{(1)}_{\text{el}}$, not from the $\nu$-linear term in $E^{(2)}_{\text{el}}$; the latter is irrelevant for the magnon-drag DC electron current. Since $E^{(1)}_{\text{el}}$ is accompanied by $D^R D^R$ (not $D^R D^A$), the physical interpretation of this term (in the magnon-drag current) does not necessarily rely on the causal relationship to the magnetization dynamics. In fact, the spin-transfer process may be understood to occur in the quasi- or local-equilibrium situation, as will be discussed in the paragraph containing Eq. (64).

V. SPIN CHEMICAL POTENTIAL

In this section, we give an alternative argument that introduces a spin chemical potential. This is intended to complement the heuristic discussion in Sec. III C.

Our strategy here is as follows. In the microscopic theory, statistical quantities such as the chemical potential and temperature, which characterize the distribution function, cannot be handled easily. Instead, we can disturb the system by "mechanical" perturbations (which are described by the Hamiltonian and thus controllable theoretically) and then observe the result. By examining how the distribution function is deformed, we may read off the change of statistical parameters such as chemical potential and temperature. For example, an inhomogeneous potential (or electric field) induces a density modulation. This effect is described by an inhomogeneous change of chemical potential, and appears in the current as a diffusion current [21].

In the following, we examine the possibility that the magnon-drag effects are described in a similar manner. We first illustrate the procedure using a simple model (Sec. V A), and then consider the present problem of magnon-drag process (Sec. V B). In both cases, we take the $\psi$ field as a mechanical perturbation.

A. Electron-only process: Effective temperature

We begin by reviewing the relation between the gravitational field $\partial \psi$ and temperature gradient, $\partial T$. For simplicity, we consider a (spin-unpolarized) free electron system subject to nonmagnetic impurities, forgetting about magnons and even the magnetization (exchange splitting). We calculate the electron density $\delta n_{el}$ and current density $\langle j_{el,i} \rangle$ induced by the disturbance $\psi$ having finite $Q$ (and $\omega$). In this case, it is essential to consider the diffusion-type vertex corrections [Fig. 1(d)], hence the diagrams shown in Fig. 4. The results are given by

$$
\delta n_{el} = \int d\epsilon \left( -\frac{\delta f}{\delta \epsilon} \right) \epsilon \eta(\epsilon),
$$

$$
\langle j_{el,i} \rangle = \int d\epsilon \left( -\frac{\delta f}{\delta \epsilon} \right) \epsilon \sigma(\epsilon)(-\partial \psi) Q
- \int d\epsilon \left( -\frac{\delta f}{\delta \epsilon} \right) \epsilon D(\epsilon)[\partial \eta(\epsilon)]Q.
$$
and the current density in response to a spatially modulated potential, 

\[ j_{a,i} = j_{a,i}^{Q} + j_{a,i}^{el} \]

are the Hamiltonian density and heat current density, respectively, of the conduction electrons. The shaded rectangle represents the diffusion-type ladder vertex correction due to impurities [Fig. 1(d)], which describes diffusive motion of the electrons.

\[ \eta(\varepsilon) = -\nu(\varepsilon) \frac{D(\varepsilon)Q^2}{D(\varepsilon)Q^2 - i\omega} \psi_Q \] (53)

describes “diffusive corrections” which arise since \( Q \) is finite. We defined \( \varepsilon^2 \sigma(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon^2 (v_e^2/3)v(\varepsilon)\tau(\varepsilon) \) and \( D(\varepsilon) = (v_e^2/3)\tau(\varepsilon) \), which are the Boltzmann conductivity and the diffusion constant, respectively, evaluated at energy \( \varepsilon \) (measured from the chemical potential \( \mu \)).

If we consider a local modification of temperature, \( T \to T + \delta T(r) \), the electron density changes by

\[ \delta n_{el} = \int d\varepsilon \nu(\varepsilon)[f(\varepsilon; T + \delta T) - f(\varepsilon; T)] \]

\[ \simeq \frac{\delta T}{T} \int d\varepsilon \nu(\varepsilon) \left( -\frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon} \right). \] (54)

In the “slow” limit \( \omega \to 0 \), Eq. (51) may be compared with Eq. (54), and we may identify the effective temperature change \( \delta T_Q \) by

\[ \lim_{\omega \to 0} \frac{D(\varepsilon)Q^2}{D(\varepsilon)Q^2 - i\omega} \psi_Q = \frac{\delta T_Q}{T}. \] (55)

This is nothing but the Einstein-Luttinger relation, \( \psi_Q + \delta T_Q/T = 0 \), that holds in the equilibrium state (under a static potential, \( \psi_Q \)). Using this \( \delta T_Q \), we may rewrite Eq. (52) as

\[ \langle j_{el,1} \rangle = \int d\varepsilon \left( -\frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon} \right) \sigma(\varepsilon)(-\partial T_Q) \psi_Q \]

\[ = \int d\varepsilon \left( -\frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon} \right) \sigma(\varepsilon)(-\partial T_Q) \psi_Q \]

\[ \times \left( -\partial T_Q \right). \] (56)

This shows the “equivalence” of the mechanical force \( \partial T_Q \) and the statistical force \( \partial T_Q \), that forms the basis of Luttinger’s thermal linear-response theory.

**B. Magnon-drag process: Spin chemical potential**

Let us apply a similar procedure to the magnon-drag process. For this purpose, we calculate the magnon-drag electron current in response to a spatially modulated potential, \( \psi \propto \psi_Q e^{iQ \cdot r - \omega t} \), with finite wave vector \( Q \). As in the preceding subsection, we consider the diffusion-type vertex corrections and the diagrams in Fig. 2(b). The result is obtained as

\[ \langle j_{el,1} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\alpha} \sigma_\uparrow - \sigma_\downarrow \] (57)

where

\[ \delta n_{el}^\sigma = \frac{\sigma_\sigma}{2\alpha} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta_{el}}{\alpha} \right) TS_{mag} Q^2 (\tau / \omega) \psi_Q \] (58)

is the change of the electron density (of spin \( \sigma \)) caused by the perturbation \( \psi_Q \), and \( D_a = (v_e^2/3)\tau_e \) is the diffusion constant. From the form of Eq. (58), it is natural to regard the density change \( \delta n_{el}^\sigma \) as caused by the change of the electrons’ chemical potential, instead of temperature as in Eq. (54). Namely, in the “slow” limit, \( \omega \to 0 \), may be compared with

\[ \delta n_{el}^\sigma = \int d\varepsilon \nu(\varepsilon) \left[ f(\varepsilon; T + \delta \mu_\sigma) - f(\varepsilon; T, \mu) \right] \]

\[ \simeq \int d\varepsilon \nu(\varepsilon) \left( -\frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon} \right) \delta \mu_\sigma \simeq \nu_\sigma \delta \mu_\sigma. \] (59)

where \( \delta \mu_\sigma \) is the change in (spin-dependent) chemical potential. From the comparison, we may identify [26]

\[ \delta \mu_\sigma = \frac{\sigma}{2\alpha} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta_{el}}{\alpha} \right) TS_{mag} \psi_Q. \] (60)

In the second line, we used the Einstein-Luttinger relation, \( \psi_Q = -\delta T_Q/T \). Note that Eq. (61) is consistent with Eq. (41). Using Eq. (61) for \( \delta \mu_\sigma \) in Eq. (59), we rewrite Eq. (57) as

\[ \langle j_{el,1} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\alpha} \sigma_\uparrow - \sigma_\downarrow \] (62)

\[ \times \left( -\partial T_Q \right). \] (63)

This reproduces the form of Eq. (25).

The nonequilibrium chemical potential \( \delta \mu_\sigma \) is spin dependent, \( \delta \mu_\uparrow = -\delta \mu_\downarrow \) (because of the overall factor \( \sigma = \pm 1 \)). Thus the electrons feel the effects of the nonequilibrium magnons as a “spin chemical potential,” or spin accumulation, \( \mu_s = \mu_\uparrow - \mu_\downarrow \). This is quite natural since the local change \( \delta T_Q \) in temperature modulates the magnon density, and the balance of the “reaction”

\[ m + \epsilon_\uparrow \rightleftharpoons \epsilon_\downarrow \] (64)

shifts in the left or the right direction. Here, \( m, \epsilon_\uparrow, \) and \( \epsilon_\downarrow \) represent a magnon, an electron with spin up, and an electron with spin down, respectively. If we focus on the electrons (\( \epsilon_\uparrow \) and \( \epsilon_\downarrow \)), this is precisely controlled by the chemical-potential difference, \( \mu_\uparrow - \mu_\downarrow \). This process corresponds to the first
term (the spin-transfer term) of \((1 - \alpha/\beta_{\alpha})\) in Eq. (63). The absence of the causality relationship, as discussed at the end of Sec. IV, may be due to the local equilibrium nature of this process.

The second term (proportional to \(\beta_{\alpha}/\alpha\)) acts in the opposite way; it increases the density of up-spin (down-spin) electrons in the hotter (colder) region. Let us interpret this effect in terms of the spin-transfer process and the gravitational potential \(\psi\). We interpret this effect in terms of the spin-transfer process and the gravitational potential \(\psi\). The obtained result is physically interpreted in terms of the spin-transfer process and the momentum-transfer process from the magnons to the electrons. It is found that the effect of nonequilibrium magnons yields a nonzero spin chemical potential of the electrons. In the process, we gave a microscopic procedure that leads to the Luttinger form of the response, namely, a combination of the form \(-\partial_1 \psi - \partial_2 T/T\). We supplemented the analysis with a phenomenological one that is based on the spin-motive force, and found that the agreement with the microscopic result is good for the dissipative \(\beta\) term, but differs slightly for the Berry-phase (spin-transfer) term.

**VI. SUMMARY**

In this paper, we studied magnon-drag electron flow induced by a temperature gradient. The analysis is based on a microscopic model that contains spin relaxation, and on the linear response theory due to Luttinger that exploits a gravitational potential \(\psi\). The obtained result is physically interpreted in terms of the spin-transfer process and the momentum-transfer process from the magnons to the electrons. It is found that the effect of nonequilibrium magnons yields a nonzero spin chemical potential of the electrons. In the process, we gave a microscopic procedure that leads to the Luttinger form of the response, namely, a combination of the form \(-\partial_1 \psi - \partial_2 T/T\). We supplemented the analysis with a phenomenological one that is based on the spin-motive force, and found that the agreement with the microscopic result is good for the dissipative \(\beta\) term, but differs slightly for the Berry-phase (spin-transfer) term.

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**APPENDIX A: VERTEX CORRECTIONS**

In this Appendix, we calculate the vertex corrections to the electron spin \(\sigma^\pm\) due to impurity potentials in the ladder approximation. The renormalized vertex \(\Lambda^\pm_{\sigma\sigma}\) satisfies

\[
(\Lambda^\pm_{\sigma\sigma})^{ab} = (\sigma^\pm)_{\sigma\sigma} + \Gamma_0 Y_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab}(\Lambda^\pm_{\sigma\sigma})^{ab}, \tag{A1}
\]

where \((\sigma^+)_{\uparrow\uparrow} = (\sigma^-)_{\downarrow\downarrow} = 1\) (other elements vanish),

\[
\Gamma_0 = n_\uparrow u_\uparrow^2 - n_\downarrow u_\downarrow^2 S_{\uparrow\downarrow}^z, \tag{A2}
\]

and \(Y_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab} = \sum_k G^{\sigma}_{\sigma\sigma} G_{k\sigma}^{\sigma}\) with \(\bar{\sigma} = -\sigma\). We write the Green’s function as \(G^{\sigma}_{\sigma\sigma} = (\varepsilon_\sigma + \alpha M - h^2 k^2/2m - \Sigma_{\sigma}^{\alpha})^{-1}\), where \(a, b\) specify retarded (R) or advanced (A), namely, \(a = R\) for \(\varepsilon_a > 0\), and \(a = A\) for \(\varepsilon_a < 0\). Writing the self-energy as

\[
\Sigma_{\sigma}^{\alpha} = \Gamma_1 g_{\sigma}^{R} + \Gamma_2 g_{\sigma}^{A}, \tag{A3}
\]

with \(\Gamma_1 = n_\uparrow u_\uparrow^2 + n_\downarrow u_\downarrow^2 S_{\uparrow\downarrow}^z\), \(\Gamma_2 = 2n_\uparrow u_\uparrow^2 S_{\uparrow\downarrow}^z\) [Eq. (14)], and \(g^\sigma_{\sigma} = \sum_k G^\sigma_{k\sigma}\), we evaluate \(Y_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab}\) as

\[
Y_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab} = \frac{g^{ab}_{\sigma\sigma}}{i\varepsilon_{ba} - 2\alpha M + \Sigma_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab}}, \tag{A4}
\]

where \(\varepsilon_{ba} = \varepsilon_b - \varepsilon_a\), \(g^{ab}_{\sigma\sigma} = g^{ab}_{\sigma\sigma} - g^{ba}_{\sigma\sigma}\), and \(\Sigma_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab} = \Sigma_{\sigma}^a - \Sigma_{\sigma}^b\).

Then, from Eq. (A1), we obtain

\[
(\Lambda^\pm_{\sigma\sigma})^{ab} = \frac{(\sigma^\pm)_{\sigma\sigma}}{1 - \Gamma_0 Y_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab}} \frac{\varepsilon_{ba} - 2\alpha M + \Sigma_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab}}{i\varepsilon_{ba} - 2\alpha M + \Delta_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab}}, \tag{A5}
\]

where \(\Delta_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab} = \Delta_0^{ab} - \Delta_{\sigma\sigma}^{ab}\) with

\[
\Delta_0^{ab} = \left(\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_0\right)\delta_{ab} + \Gamma_2 S_{\uparrow\downarrow}^z, \tag{A6}
\]

Explicitly, \(\Lambda^+\) and \(\Lambda^-\) are given by

\[
(\Lambda^{+}_{\uparrow\uparrow})^{ab} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ba} - 2\alpha M + \Sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{ab}}{i\varepsilon_{ba} - 2\alpha M + \Delta_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{ab}}, \tag{A7}
\]

\[
(\Lambda^{-}_{\downarrow\downarrow})^{ab} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ba} + 2\alpha M + \Sigma_{\downarrow\downarrow}^{ab}}{i\varepsilon_{ba} + 2\alpha M + \Delta_{\downarrow\downarrow}^{ab}}. \tag{A8}
\]

(Other elements vanish, \(\Lambda^{+}_{\downarrow\uparrow} = \Lambda^{-}_{\uparrow\downarrow} = 0\), etc.) Therefore,

\[
G^{\sigma}_{k\uparrow}(\Lambda^{+}_{\uparrow\uparrow})^{ab}G^{\sigma}_{k\downarrow} = \frac{G^{R}_{k\uparrow} - G^{A}_{k\downarrow}}{i\varepsilon_{ba} - 2\alpha M + \Delta_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{ab}}, \tag{A9}
\]

\[
G^{\sigma}_{k\downarrow}(\Lambda^{-}_{\downarrow\downarrow})^{ab}G^{\sigma}_{k\uparrow} = \frac{G^{R}_{k\downarrow} - G^{A}_{k\uparrow}}{i\varepsilon_{ba} + 2\alpha M + \Delta_{\downarrow\downarrow}^{ab}}. \tag{A10}
\]

For example,

\[
G^{R}_{k\uparrow}(\Lambda^{+}_{\uparrow\uparrow})^{RA}G^{A}_{k\downarrow} = \frac{G^{R}_{k\uparrow} - G^{A}_{k\downarrow}}{-2\alpha M + \Delta_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{RA}}, \tag{A11}
\]

\[
G^{R}_{k\downarrow}(\Lambda^{-}_{\downarrow\downarrow})^{RA}G^{A}_{k\uparrow} = \frac{G^{R}_{k\downarrow} - G^{A}_{k\uparrow}}{2\alpha M + \Delta_{\downarrow\downarrow}^{RA}}. \tag{A12}
\]

In the second lines, we assumed that \(\Delta^{ab}\)'s, which are on the order of spin relaxation rate, are much smaller than the exchange splitting \(M\).
APPENDIX B: DETAILS OF MICROSCOPIC CALCULATION

In this Appendix, we present the details of the calculation of the magnon-drag electron current. It is divided into the electron part and the magnon part.

1. Electron part

As described in the text, the electron part, given by Eq. (29), contributes in two different ways, \( \mathcal{E}^{(2)}_{i} \equiv \mathcal{E}_{i}(q, \nu + i\eta; \omega + 2i\eta) \) and \( \mathcal{E}^{(1)}_{i} \equiv \mathcal{E}_{i}(q, \nu + i\eta; \omega + i\eta) \), where \( \eta \) is a positive infinitesimal. For the magnon-drag contribution, the former is calculated by setting \( \omega = 0 \) and retaining the \( \nu \)-linear terms, and the latter by setting \( \nu = 0 \) and retaining the \( \omega \)-linear terms. They are given, respectively, by

\[
\mathcal{E}^{(2)}_{i} = \frac{v}{2\pi} q_i (\mathcal{E}_i^r + \mathcal{E}_i^a),
\]

with

\[
\mathcal{E}_i^r = -i \sum_k v_i v_k [G_R^i (\Lambda_{1i}^-)^{RR} (G_{1i}^r)^2 (\Lambda_{1i}^+)^{RA} - (\Lambda_{1i}^-)^{RA} (G_{1i}^a)^2 (\Lambda_{1i}^+)^{AA} G_{1i}^A]
\]

\[
+ G_{1i}^{R} [(\Lambda_{1i}^+)^{RR} (G_{1i}^r)^2 (\Lambda_{1i}^-)^{RA} - (\Lambda_{1i}^+)^{RA} (G_{1i}^a)^2 (\Lambda_{1i}^-)^{AA} G_{1i}^A],
\]

and

\[
\mathcal{E}_i^a = -i \sum_k v_i v_k \text{Im}[G_R^i (\Lambda_{1i}^-)^{RR} (G_{1i}^r)^2 (\Lambda_{1i}^+)^{RR} G_{1i}^R + G_{1i}^{R} [(\Lambda_{1i}^+)^{RR} (G_{1i}^r)^2 (\Lambda_{1i}^-)^{RR} G_{1i}^R] ,
\]

where \( G^{RA}_i = G^{RA}_{k\sigma_i}(0) \).

To calculate \( \mathcal{E}^{(1)}_{i} \), we use Eqs. (A9) and (A10) and the approximations as in Eqs. (A11) and (A12) valid for weak spin relaxation (compared to \( M \)). With short notations, \( \Delta^{ab} = \Delta_{1i}^{ab} \) and \( \Delta^{ab} = \Delta_{1i}^{ab} \), we write

\[
\mathcal{E}_i^{(1)} \simeq \frac{i}{(2M)^2} \sum k v_i v_k \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\Delta^{AA} - \Delta^{RR}}{2M} \right) (G_i^R - G_i^A) - \left( 1 + \frac{\Delta^{AA} - \Delta^{RA}}{2M} \right) (G_i^R - G_i^A) \right] \]

\[
- \frac{\Delta_1}{2M} G_i^R G_i^A + \frac{\Delta_2}{2M} G_i^R G_i^A - 2i \text{Im}[(G_i^R - G_i^A)^2]
\]

where \( \Delta_1 = \Delta^{RA} - \Delta^{RR} + \Delta^{AA} - \Delta^{RA} - \Delta^{RA} \), and \( \Delta_2 = \Delta^{RA} - \Delta^{RR} + \Delta^{AA} - \Delta^{RA} - \Delta^{RR} \), and we retained the leading terms with respect to the electron damping. On the other hand, \( \mathcal{E}_i^{(2)} \) is calculated as

\[
\mathcal{E}_i^{(2)} \simeq \frac{2}{(2M)^2} \sum k v_i v_k \text{Im}[(G_i^R - G_i^A)^2].
\]

Therefore, we have

\[
\mathcal{E}_i^{(1)} + \mathcal{E}_i^{(2)} = \frac{i}{(2M)^2} \sum k v_i v_k \left[ \frac{\Delta_1}{2M} G_i^R G_i^A - \frac{\Delta_2}{2M} G_i^R G_i^A \right]
\]

\[
= -i \frac{\delta_{ii}}{(2M)^2} \frac{2\pi}{e^2} \left[ \frac{\Delta_1}{2M} \sigma_i - \frac{\Delta_2}{2M} \sigma_i \right].
\]

Here we noted

\[
\sum_k v_i v_k G_R^i G_i^A = \delta_{ii} \frac{v_{Fe}^2}{3} \frac{\pi}{\gamma_{\sigma}} = \delta_{ii} \frac{2\pi}{e^2} \sigma_{\sigma},
\]

The \( \omega \)-linear terms in \( \mathcal{E}_i^{(2)} \) [as given in Eq. (31)], which contribute to the spin-motive forces, can be obtained in a similar way.
Similarly, we obtain
\[ E_i(1) \simeq \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(2M)^2} q_i t \sum_k v_i v_i [G^R_{\uparrow \downarrow} G^A_{\uparrow \downarrow} - G^R_{\uparrow \downarrow} G^A_{\uparrow \downarrow}] \]
\[ \simeq \frac{1}{(2M)^2} q_i \frac{\sigma_- - \sigma_+}{e^2}. \quad (B11) \]

2. Magnon part

For the magnon part, we encounter the following integrals,
\[ I_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\nu \left( \frac{\delta n}{\delta v} \right) v^2 \sum_q u_i q_i D^R_q(v) D^A_q(v), \quad (B12) \]
\[ I_2 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int d\nu n(v) v \sum_q u_i q_i \text{Im} \left\{ [D^R_q(v)]^2 \right\}, \quad (B13) \]
\[ I_3 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int d\nu n(v) v \sum_q u_i q_i \text{Im} \left\{ D^R_q(v) \right\}. \quad (B14) \]

To calculate \( I_1 \), we use \( D^R_q(v) D^A_q(v) \simeq (\pi/\alpha v) \delta(v - \omega_q) \).

Then,
\[ I_1 \simeq \frac{1}{2\alpha} \sum_q \omega_q u_i q_j \left( \frac{\delta n}{\delta v} \right)_{\text{mag}} \]
\[ = \frac{1}{2\alpha} T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \sum_q n(\omega_q) u_i q_j. \quad (B15) \]

By noting \( \partial/\partial q_i \text{Im} \left\{ [D^R_q(v)]^2 \right\} = n(\omega_q) u_i \), we see
\[ \sum_q n(\omega_q) u_i q_j = \sum_q q_j \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} k_B T \ln (1 - e^{-\hbar \omega_q/k_B T}) = -\delta_{ij} n(\omega_q), \quad (B16) \]

where
\[ n(\omega_q) = k_B T \sum_q \ln (1 - e^{-\hbar \omega_q/k_B T}) \quad (B17) \]

is the thermodynamic potential of magnons. Therefore,
\[ I_1 = -\frac{1}{2\alpha} \delta_{ij} T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} n(\omega_q) \]
\[ = -\frac{1}{2\alpha} \delta_{ij} T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \Omega_{\text{mag}}, \quad (B18) \]

where \( \Omega_{\text{mag}} = -\partial \Omega_{\text{mag}}/\partial T \) is the entropy (density) of magnons.

For \( I_2 \), we use \( u_i (D^R_q)^2 = \partial D^R_q/\partial q_i \) and \( \text{Im} D^R_q(v) \simeq -\pi \delta(v - \omega_q) \), and calculate as
\[ I_2 = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\nu n(v) v \sum_q \text{Im} \left\{ D^R_q \right\} \]
\[ \simeq \delta_{ij} \sum_q \omega_q n(\omega_q) \]
\[ = \delta_{ij} \Omega_{\text{mag}}. \quad (B19) \]

Similarly, \( I_3 \) is calculated as
\[ I_3 = -\sum_q u_i q_j n(\omega_q) \]
\[ \simeq -\sum_q u_i q_j \delta_{ij} \Omega_{\text{mag}}. \quad (B20) \]

APPENDIX C: SEMICLASSICAL ANALYSIS BASED ON SPIN-MOTIVE FORCE

In this Appendix, we calculate
\[ \langle F_i \rangle = \frac{1}{\hbar} \text{Im} \left\{ \langle \dot{a}^\dagger \dot{a} \rangle - \beta \text{Re} \langle \dot{a}^\dagger \dot{a} \rangle \right\} \quad (C1) \]
semitically using the stochastic Landau-Lifshitz-Gilbert (LLG) equation. This method has been used in the calculation of magnonic spin torques [27,28].

1. Formulation

The stochastic LLG equation is given by
\[ \dot{n} = -J n \times \dot{n} + n \times h - \alpha n \times \dot{n}, \quad (C2) \]

where \( n \) is the magnetization unit vector, and \( h \) is the Langevin noise field that satisfies the fluctuation-dissipation theorem,
\[ \langle h_i(r, t) h_j(r', t') \rangle = 2\alpha s_0 T \delta_{ij} \delta(r - r') \delta(t - t'), \quad (C3) \]
where \( T \) is the temperature. We consider the case that the temperature is nonuniform and assume \( T \) in Eq. (C3) is position-dependent, \( T = T(r) \), and calculate \( \langle F_i \rangle \) that is proportional to \( \partial_i T \).

In the complex notation, \( a = (s_0/2)^{1/2}(\delta n_x + i\delta n_y) \) and \( h = \dot{n}_x + i\dot{n}_y \). Eq. (C2) becomes
\[ i\dot{a} = -J \beta^2 a + \alpha \dot{a} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2s_0}} h(r, t), \quad (C4) \]

where \( \Delta \) is the magnon energy gap, and \( h \) satisfies
\[ \langle h(r, t) h^*(r', t') \rangle = 4\alpha s_0 T(r) \delta(r - r') \delta(t - t'). \quad (C5) \]

Using the retarded Green’s function \( D^R \) that satisfies
\[ \left[ i\dot{a}_i + J \beta^2 \delta - \Delta - \alpha \dot{a}_i \right] D^R = \delta(r - r') \delta(t - t'), \quad (C6) \]
Eq. (C4) is solved as
\[ a(r, t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2s_0}} \int dt' \int d\nu D^R \frac{r - r', t - t'}{h(r', t')}. \quad (C7) \]

In the Fourier representation, \( D^R_q(v) = (v - \omega_q + i\nu)^{-1} \), where \( \omega_q = J q^2 + \Delta \), it reads
\[ a_q(v) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2s_0}} D^R_q(v) h(q, v), \quad (C8) \]

and \( \alpha^* \) is given by the complex conjugate of Eq. (C7).

For a quantum system (in the present case, magnons), we consider the Fourier transform of Eq. (C3) with respect to time, wherein the temperature is replaced as \( T \rightarrow \frac{\nu}{2} \coth \frac{\nu}{2T} = v[n(v) + \frac{1}{2}] \) for the Fourier component of frequency \( v \). Its gradient is thus replaced as
\[ \partial_i T \rightarrow v \left( \frac{\partial n}{\partial T} \right) \partial_i T. \quad (C9) \]
2. Calculation of \( \langle F_i \rangle \)

To obtain \( \langle F_i \rangle \), it is sufficient to calculate \( \langle \dot{a}^\dagger \partial \alpha a \rangle \). With Eq. (C8), this proceeds as follows,

\[
\langle \dot{a}^\dagger (r, t) \partial \alpha a (r, t) \rangle = \left[ \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int dt_1 \int dr_1 D^R (r - r_1, t - t_1) h (r_1, t_1) \right] ^* \times \left[ \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int dt_2 \int dr_2 D^R (r - r_2, t - t_2) h (r_2, t_2) \right]
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{2\pi_0} \int dt_1 dt_2 \int dr_1 dr_2 [\dot{\alpha} D^R (r - r_1, t - t_1)] [\dot{\alpha} D^R (r - r_2, t - t_2)] h (r_1, t_1) h (r_2, t_2)
\]

\[
= \frac{4\alpha \pi_0}{2\pi_0} \int dt_1 \int dr_1 [\dot{\alpha} D^R (r - r_1, t - t_1)] [\dot{\alpha} D^R (r - r_1, t - t_1)] T (r_1)
\]

\[
= 2\alpha \int dt_1 \int dr_1 \sum_{\alpha \nu} \int \frac{dv dv'}{(2\pi)^2} i v i q_i D^q_i (v') D^R (v) T_q \ e^{i (v' - q_i) r_1 - i (v - v') (t - t_1)} e^{i (v - q') r}
\]

\[
= 2\alpha \sum_{\alpha \nu} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} \left[ i (q_1 + \frac{q_1}{2}) D^R (v) D^A (v) + 2\alpha \sum_{\alpha \nu} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} i v q_i u_j 2i \text{Im} [(D^R)^2 D^A] \frac{q_i}{2} T_q e^{i q_i r},
\]

(C10)

where \( D^A (v) \equiv \frac{D^R (q)}{v} \) and \( D^A = D^A (v) \). With the replacement (C9), we obtain

\[
\langle \dot{a}^\dagger (r, t) \partial \alpha a (r, t) \rangle \simeq \alpha \dot{\alpha} (T) \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left\{ i \sum_{\alpha} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} v^2 n (v) D^R D^A \right\} - 2 \sum_{\alpha} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} q_i u_j v^2 n (v) \text{Im} [(D^R)^2 D^A] \}
\]

(C12)

Using the relations

\[
\sum_{\alpha} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} v^2 n (v) D^R D^A \simeq \sum_{\alpha} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} v^2 n (v) \cdot \frac{\pi}{\alpha v} \delta (v - \omega_q)
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{2\alpha} \mathcal{E}_{\text{mag}}
\]

(C13)

and

\[
\sum_{\alpha} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} v^2 n (v) q_i u_j \text{Im} [(D^R)^2 D^A] = \sum_{\alpha} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} v^2 n (v) q_i u_j \text{Im} \left\{ \frac{D^R}{2i\alpha v} (D^A - D^R) \right\}
\]

\[
\simeq \sum_{\alpha} \int \frac{dv}{2\pi} v^2 n (v) q_i u_j \text{Im} \left\{ \frac{1}{2i\alpha v} D^R D^A \right\}
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{4\alpha^2} \sum_{\alpha} q_i u_j n (\omega_q)
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{4\alpha^2} \Omega_{\text{mag}} \delta_{ij},
\]

(C14)

where \( \Omega_{\text{mag}} \) is given by Eq. (B17), we obtain

\[
\langle \dot{a}^\dagger \partial \alpha a \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)_T \left[ T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left\{ i \mathcal{E}_{\text{mag}} - \frac{1}{\alpha} \Omega_{\text{mag}} \right\} \right]
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)_T \left\{ i T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \mathcal{E}_{\text{mag}} + \frac{1}{\alpha} T S_{\text{mag}} \right\}.
\]

(C15)

From Eq. (C1), this leads to

\[
\langle F_i \rangle = \frac{1}{2\xi_0} \left\{ - \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_{\text{mag}}}{\partial T} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} S_{\text{mag}} \right\} (-\partial T).
\]

(C16)
3. Comparison with the previous study

To compare the phenomenological result (C16) obtained here with the one obtained previously [11], let us consider the case $T \gg \Delta$, where every quantity shows power-law dependence on temperature $T$. In this case, $T \partial \varepsilon_{\text{mag}} / \partial T \simeq (1 + d / 2) \varepsilon_{\text{mag}}$ and $T \varepsilon_{\text{mag}} \simeq (1 + 2 / d) \varepsilon_{\text{mag}}$, and Eq. (C16) becomes

$$
\langle F_i \rangle = - \frac{1}{2 \varepsilon_0} \left( 1 + \frac{d}{2} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{2 \beta}{d \alpha} \right) \varepsilon_{\text{mag}} \left( - \frac{\partial T}{T} \right).
$$

(C17)

Compared with the result of Ref. [11], the coefficient of $\beta / \alpha$ is different by a factor of 2.

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[20] It is possible to argue this differently if we note

$$
\langle \sigma_i - \sigma_j \rangle \beta_{\text{el}} = (\sigma_i - \sigma_j) \beta_i + (\sigma_i + \sigma_j) \beta_{\text{el}}.
$$

[26] If a comparison is made with Eq. (54), we see that $\delta T = 0$; namely, the electron temperature is not changed by the coupling to nonequilibrium magnons.