

Supplementary Materials for

**Observation of spin splitting effect in altermagnets CrSb**

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### **Note 1. Symmetry analysis of spin conductivity in CrSb**

In bulk CrSb, the crystal symmetry generators are given by  $G = G_0 + M_z t \times G_0$  where  $G_0 = \{E, C_3, M_x, I\}$ . Among these,  $G_0$  constrains the spin-resolved conductivity tensor for each spin channel, while  $M_z t$  connects the conductivity tensors of the spin-up and spin-down channels. Specifically, the general form of the spin-resolved conductivity tensor is:

$$\sigma^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{xy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{xz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \\ \sigma_{xy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{yy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{yz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \\ \sigma_{xz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{yz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{zz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \end{pmatrix}$$

The symmetry constraints on the spin-resolved conductivity tensor are analyzed:

1. Under  $M_x$ , the following components vanish:

$$\sigma_{xy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sigma_{yx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sigma_{xz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sigma_{zx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = 0$$

Thus, the conductivity tensor reduces to:

$$\sigma^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{yy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{yz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \\ 0 & \sigma_{yz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & \sigma_{zz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Under  $C_3$ , we have the constraints:

$$\sigma_{yy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}, \sigma_{yz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sigma_{zy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = 0$$

The tensor then simplifies to:

$$\sigma^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{zz}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that  $\sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sigma_{yy}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}$ , indicates isotropic in-plane conductivity for both spin channels.

Other symmetries such as identity  $E$  and inversion  $I$  impose no further constraints on the spin-resolved conductivity.

Further considering the symmetry  $M_z t$  which enforces  $\sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow} = \sigma_{xx}^{\downarrow}$  and  $\sigma_{zz}^{\uparrow} = \sigma_{zz}^{\downarrow}$ , the conductivity tensors for the spin-up and spin-down channels become:

$$\sigma^{\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{xx}^{\uparrow} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{zz}^{\uparrow} \end{pmatrix}, \sigma^{\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^{\downarrow} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{xx}^{\downarrow} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{zz}^{\downarrow} \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, the spin-resolved conductivity tensor is:

$$\sigma^s = \frac{\hbar}{2e} (\sigma^\uparrow - \sigma^\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the charge conductivity tensor is:

$$\sigma^c = \sigma^\uparrow + \sigma^\downarrow = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^c & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{xx}^c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{zz}^c \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\sigma_{xx}^c = 2\sigma_{xx}^\uparrow, \sigma_{zz}^c = 2\sigma_{zz}^\uparrow$ .

This shows that  $g$ -wave CrSb cannot support a spin current in its pristine state.

However, when  $C_3$  is broken, following the same derivation procedure, we obtain:

$$\sigma^\uparrow = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^\uparrow & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{yy}^\uparrow & \sigma_{yz}^\uparrow \\ 0 & \sigma_{yz}^\uparrow & \sigma_{zz}^\uparrow \end{pmatrix}, \sigma^\downarrow = M_z^{-1} \sigma^\uparrow M_z = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx}^\uparrow & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{yy}^\uparrow & -\sigma_{yz}^\uparrow \\ 0 & -\sigma_{yz}^\uparrow & \sigma_{zz}^\uparrow \end{pmatrix}$$

The spin-resolved conductivity tensor then becomes:

$$\sigma^s = \frac{\hbar}{2e} (\sigma^\uparrow - \sigma^\downarrow) = \frac{\hbar}{2e} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\sigma_{yz}^\uparrow \\ 0 & 2\sigma_{yz}^\uparrow & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the charge conductivity tensor is:

$$\sigma^c = \sigma^\uparrow + \sigma^\downarrow = \begin{pmatrix} 2\sigma_{xx}^\uparrow & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\sigma_{yy}^\uparrow & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\sigma_{zz}^\uparrow \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, when an electric field is applied along the  $z$ -direction ( $J^c \parallel [0001]$ ), a pure spin current is generated along the  $y$ -direction ( $J^s \parallel [10\bar{1}0]$ ).

For clarity, we decompose the  $g$ -wave antiferromagnetic states connected by  $C_3$  rotational symmetry into three  $d$ -wave Fermi surfaces, which allows us to analyze the three spin-conductivity tensors related by  $C_3$  symmetry, as illustrated in Fig.S1. The total spin current can be decomposed into contributions from each Fermi surface:

$$J_{tot}^s = J_1^s + J_2^s + J_3^s,$$

where  $J_{tot}^s$  is the total spin current, and  $J_1^s$ ,  $J_2^s$  and  $J_3^s$  denote the spin currents originating from three Fermi surfaces, respectively. For example, the spin-conductivity tensor of the first Fermi surface (oriented along the  $y$  direction) is given by:

$$\sigma_1^s = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{yz}^s \\ 0 & \sigma_{yz}^s & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Under  $C_3$  symmetry, the two other equivalent conductivity tensors are obtained by rotating  $\sigma_1^s$  by  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$  and  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$  about the  $z$ -axis, respectively. For a rank-2 tensor, the transformation rule under a rotation by an angle  $\theta$  follows  $\sigma' = R(\theta) \cdot \sigma \cdot R^T(\theta)$ , with rotation matrix as:

$$R(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$C_3 = R\left(\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}\right), C_3^2 = R\left(\theta = \frac{4\pi}{3}\right).$$

Applying these rotations yields the other two spin conductivity tensors:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_2^s &= C_3 \cdot \sigma_1^s \cdot C_3^T = \frac{\sigma_{yz}^s}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\sqrt{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -\sqrt{3} & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \sigma_3^s &= C_3^2 \cdot \sigma_1^s \cdot (C_3^2)^T = \frac{\sigma_{yz}^s}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ \sqrt{3} & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

We then consider the spin currents arising from the three spin conductivity tensors. The applied electric field is expressed in spherical coordinates as:

$$\mathbf{E} = E(\sin \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta),$$

where  $E$  is the field magnitude,  $\theta$  is the polar angle, and  $\phi$  is the azimuthal angle.

The spin current defined as  $\mathbf{J}^s = \sigma^s \mathbf{E}$  is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J}_1^s &= \sigma_1^s \mathbf{E} = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi \end{pmatrix}, \\ \mathbf{J}_2^s &= \sigma_2^s \mathbf{E} = \frac{\sigma_{yz}^s E}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \cos \theta \\ -\cos \theta \\ -\sqrt{3} \sin \theta \cos \phi - \sin \theta \sin \phi \end{pmatrix}, \\ \mathbf{J}_3^s &= \sigma_3^s \mathbf{E} = \frac{\sigma_{yz}^s E}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} \cos \theta \\ -\cos \theta \\ \sqrt{3} \sin \theta \cos \phi - \sin \theta \sin \phi \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

The total response  $\mathbf{J}_{tot}^s$  is expressed as:

$$\mathbf{J}_{tot}^s = \mathbf{J}_1^s + \mathbf{J}_2^s + \mathbf{J}_3^s = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

To illustrate the cancellation mechanism explicitly, we evaluate the three contributions for electric fields aligned along the principal axes:

1. Electric field along the  $z$  direction ( $\theta = 0$ ) (Figure S1a):

$$J_1^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, J_2^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, J_3^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Electric field along the  $x$  direction ( $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \phi = 0$ ) (Figure S1b):

$$J_1^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, J_2^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{3} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, J_3^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Electric field along the  $y$  direction ( $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ) (Figure S1c):

$$J_1^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, J_2^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, J_3^s = \sigma_{yz}^s E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

In every case,  $J_{tot}^s = J_1^s + J_2^s + J_3^s = 0$ . These results demonstrate the symmetry-enforced cancellation between  $C_3$ -connected Fermi surfaces. In contrast, breaking the  $C_3$  symmetry disrupts this exact cancellation, giving rise to a nonzero spin response.

We now analyze the spin conductivity in the strained  $g$ -wave state, where the  $C_3$  rotational symmetry is broken. In this configuration, we still introduce three spin conductivity tensors constrained by the remaining symmetries.

The first tensor, associated with the spin-surface oriented along the  $y$ -direction, is taken as

$$\sigma_1^s = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{yz}^1 \\ 0 & \sigma_{yz}^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

And the remaining two tensors, which are connected to each other by the mirror  $M_x$ , can be expressed as:

$$\sigma_2^s = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \sigma_{xz}^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{yz}^2 \\ \sigma_{xz}^2 & \sigma_{yz}^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_3^s = M_x \cdot \sigma_2^s \cdot M_x^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\sigma_{xz}^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{yz}^2 \\ -\sigma_{xz}^2 & \sigma_{yz}^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Consequently, under the electric field  $\mathbf{E} = E(\sin \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta)$ , the spin currents are expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J}_1^s &= \sigma_1^s \mathbf{E} = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sigma_{yz}^1 \cos \theta \\ \sigma_{yz}^1 \sin \theta \sin \phi \end{pmatrix}, \\ \mathbf{J}_2^s &= \sigma_2^s \mathbf{E} = E \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xz}^2 \cos \theta \\ \sigma_{yz}^2 \cos \theta \\ \sigma_{xz}^2 \sin \theta \cos \phi + \sigma_{yz}^2 \sin \theta \sin \phi \end{pmatrix}, \\ \mathbf{J}_3^s &= \sigma_3^s \mathbf{E} = E \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_{xz}^2 \cos \theta \\ \sigma_{yz}^2 \cos \theta \\ -\sigma_{xz}^2 \sin \theta \cos \phi + \sigma_{yz}^2 \sin \theta \sin \phi \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

With total spin current as:

$$\mathbf{J}_{tot}^s = \mathbf{J}_1^s + \mathbf{J}_2^s + \mathbf{J}_3^s = E(\sigma_{yz}^1 + 2\sigma_{yz}^2) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi \end{pmatrix}$$

This result shows that a nonzero net spin current appears whenever the electric field has a component along the  $y$ - or  $z$ -direction, i.e., when  $\cos \theta \neq 0$  or  $\sin \theta \sin \phi \neq 0$ .

To further illustrate why the spin currents are no longer canceled in the strained case, we explicitly derive the expressions for the three spin currents when the electric field is applied along three high-symmetry directions.

1. Electric field along the  $z$  direction ( $\theta = 0$ ) (Figure S1d):

$$\mathbf{J}_1^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sigma_{yz}^1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{J}_2^s = E \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xz}^2 \\ \sigma_{yz}^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{J}_3^s = E \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_{xz}^2 \\ \sigma_{yz}^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and total spin current:

$$\mathbf{J}_{tot}^s = \mathbf{J}_1^s + \mathbf{J}_2^s + \mathbf{J}_3^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sigma_{yz}^1 + 2\sigma_{yz}^2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0.$$

2. Electric field along the  $x$  direction ( $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \phi = 0$ ) (Figure S1e):

$$\mathbf{J}_1^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{J}_2^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sigma_{xz}^2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{J}_3^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -\sigma_{xz}^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and total spin current:

$$\mathbf{J}_{tot}^s = \mathbf{J}_1^s + \mathbf{J}_2^s + \mathbf{J}_3^s = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

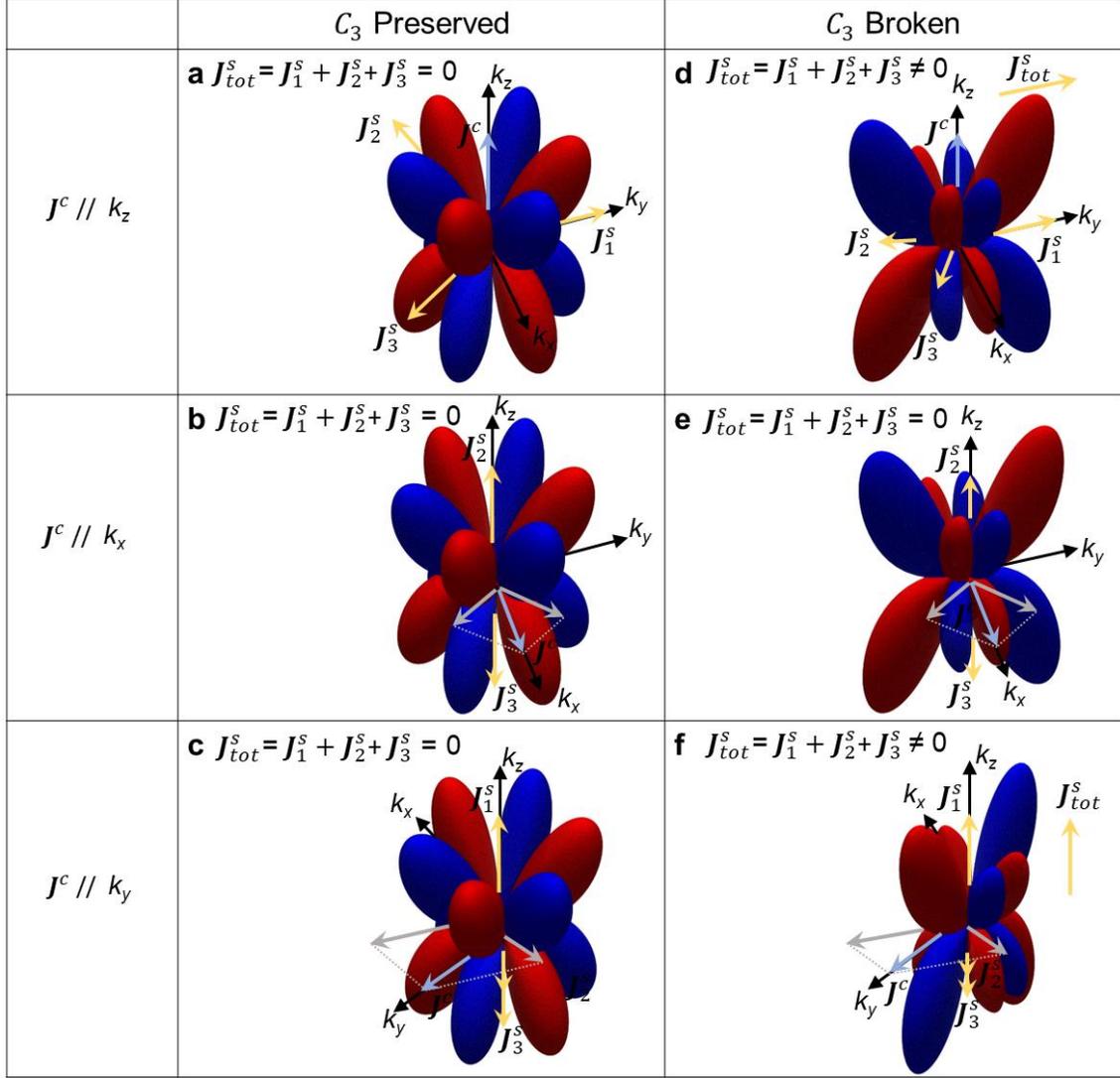
3. Electric field along the  $y$  direction ( $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ) (Figure S1f):

$$\mathbf{J}_1^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sigma_{yz}^1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{J}_2^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sigma_{yz}^2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{J}_3^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sigma_{yz}^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and total spin current:

$$\mathbf{J}_{tot}^s = \mathbf{J}_1^s + \mathbf{J}_2^s + \mathbf{J}_3^s = E \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sigma_{yz}^1 + 2\sigma_{yz}^2 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0.$$

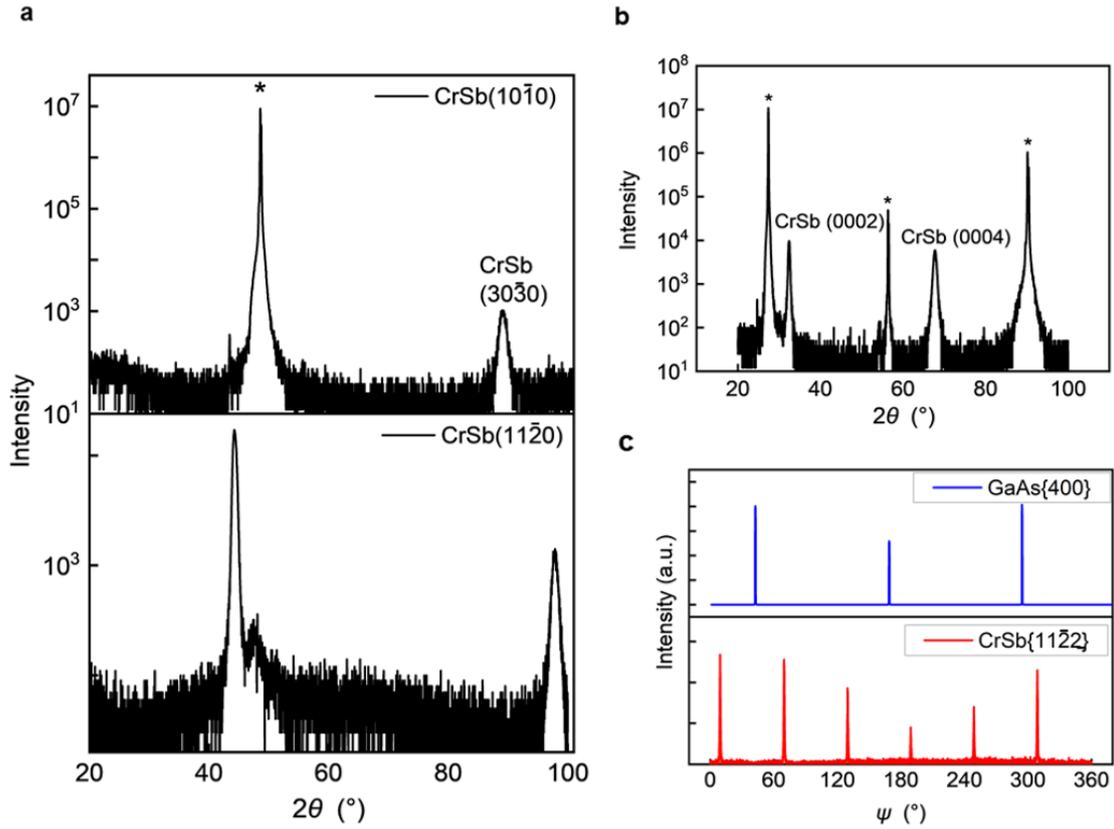
Comparing these results with the unstrained case, where the  $C_3$  symmetry enforces the relations  $\sigma_{yz}^2 = -\sigma_{yz}^1/2$ , and  $\sigma_{xz}^2 = -\sqrt{3}\sigma_{yz}^1/2$ —the sum of the three components would vanish identically. However, once  $C_3$  symmetry is broken by strain, the tensor elements  $\sigma_{yz}^1$ ,  $\sigma_{yz}^2$ , and  $\sigma_{xz}^2$  become independent variables, and consequently, the sum  $\mathbf{J}_1^s + \mathbf{J}_2^s + \mathbf{J}_3^s$  is no longer forced to cancel, giving rise to a nonzero net spin current  $\mathbf{J}_{tot}^s$ . This analysis clearly demonstrates that symmetry breaking is the key mechanism that modulates spin transports and enables a non-zero spin current.



**Fig. S1 Schematic illustration of spin-current generation in a  $g$ -wave altermagnet with preserved and broken  $C_3$  symmetry.** **a-c**, The charge current ( $J^c$ ) is applied along the  $k_z$  (**a**),  $k_x$  (**b**), and  $k_y$  (**c**) directions, respectively, with  $C_3$  symmetry preserved. **d-f**, The charge current is applied along the  $k_z$  (**d**),  $k_x$  (**e**), and  $k_y$  (**f**) directions, respectively, with  $C_3$  symmetry broken. The blue and the yellow arrows represent the charge current and the spin current, respectively. The gray arrows indicate the components of the charge current. In the  $g$ -wave state with preserved  $C_3$  symmetry, the net spin current vanishes,  $J_{tot}^s = J_1^s + J_2^s + J_3^s = 0$ , regardless of the direction of the applied charge current. In contrast, in the  $d$ -wave-like state with broken  $C_3$  symmetry, a finite net spin current is generated when the charge current is applied along the  $k_z$  and  $k_y$  directions.

## **Note 2. Sample growth and characterization**

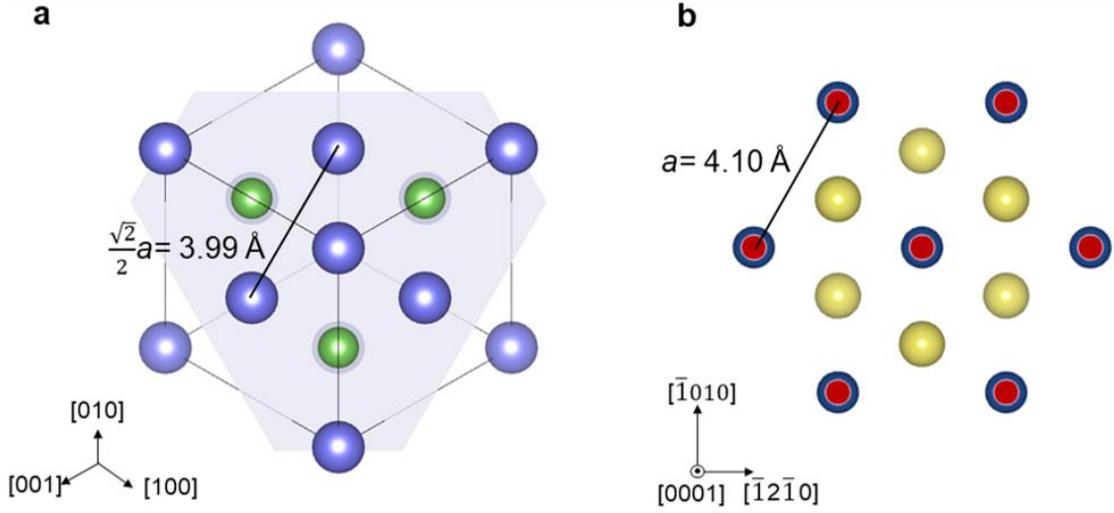
30 nm CrSb films with  $(10\bar{1}0)$  and  $(0001)$ -orientations were grown by d.c. magnetron sputtering at 300 °C on GaAs(110) and GaAs(111) single crystalline substrates, respectively. The base pressure of the sputtering chamber was below  $4 \times 10^{-8}$  Torr. During deposition, the reaction sputtering atmosphere is Ar, with a sputtering pressure of 3 mTorr. The deposition speed, specified by X-ray reflectivity, was approximately 3 nm/min. To evaluate the crystallinity of the deposited CrSb films, conventional X-ray diffraction (XRD) analysis was performed, as illustrated in Fig. S2. XRD spectrum of GaAs(110)/CrSb( $10\bar{1}0$ ) in Fig. S2a (top panel) shows a clear  $[30\bar{3}0]$  peak of CrSb. The  $(30\bar{3}0)$ -oriented CrSb is highly textured, as only one peak of CrSb is observed when the  $2\theta$  range from  $20^\circ$  to  $100^\circ$ . Figure S2a (lower panel) shows the XRD spectrum using non-oriented planes  $(11\bar{2}0)$ , the  $(11\bar{2}0)$  and  $(22\bar{4}0)$  peaks can be observed in the  $2\theta$  range from  $20^\circ$  to  $100^\circ$ . In the case of the GaAs(111)/CrSb(0001) film (Fig. S2b), the CrSb(0002) and CrSb(0004) can be observed, confirming the high crystalline quality.



**Fig. S2 XRD spectra of 30 nm-thick CrSb films grown on GaAs substrates. a**,  $\theta$ - $2\theta$  scan spectra of 30 nm GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0) film for the (10 $\bar{1}$ 0)-oriented plane (top panel) and (11 $\bar{2}$ 0)-non-oriented plane (lower panel). **b**,  $\theta$ - $2\theta$  scan spectra of 30 nm GaAs(111)/CrSb(0001). **c**,  $\psi$ -scan spectra of CrSb(0001) films grown on the GaAs(111) substrate.

To verify the crystallography orientation between CrSb films and substrates, we performed  $\psi$ -scan XRD characterization. For GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0) film, both the CrSb film and substrate show two-fold symmetry, and the positions of their diffraction peaks are the same (Fig. 2b). It indicates that (10 $\bar{1}$ 0)-oriented CrSb film shows epitaxy growth mode with the epitaxial relationship of CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)[0001] // GaAs(110)[001], as illustrated in Fig. 2a in the main text. For GaAs(111)/CrSb(0001) film, the CrSb film shows three-fold symmetry and the substrate shows six-fold symmetry, the peak spacing of CrSb and GaAs is  $30^\circ$  (Fig. S2c). It indicates that (0001)-oriented CrSb film shows epitaxy growth mode with the epitaxial relationship of

CrSb(0001)[11 $\bar{2}$ 0]//GaAs(111)[110], as illustrated in Fig. S3.



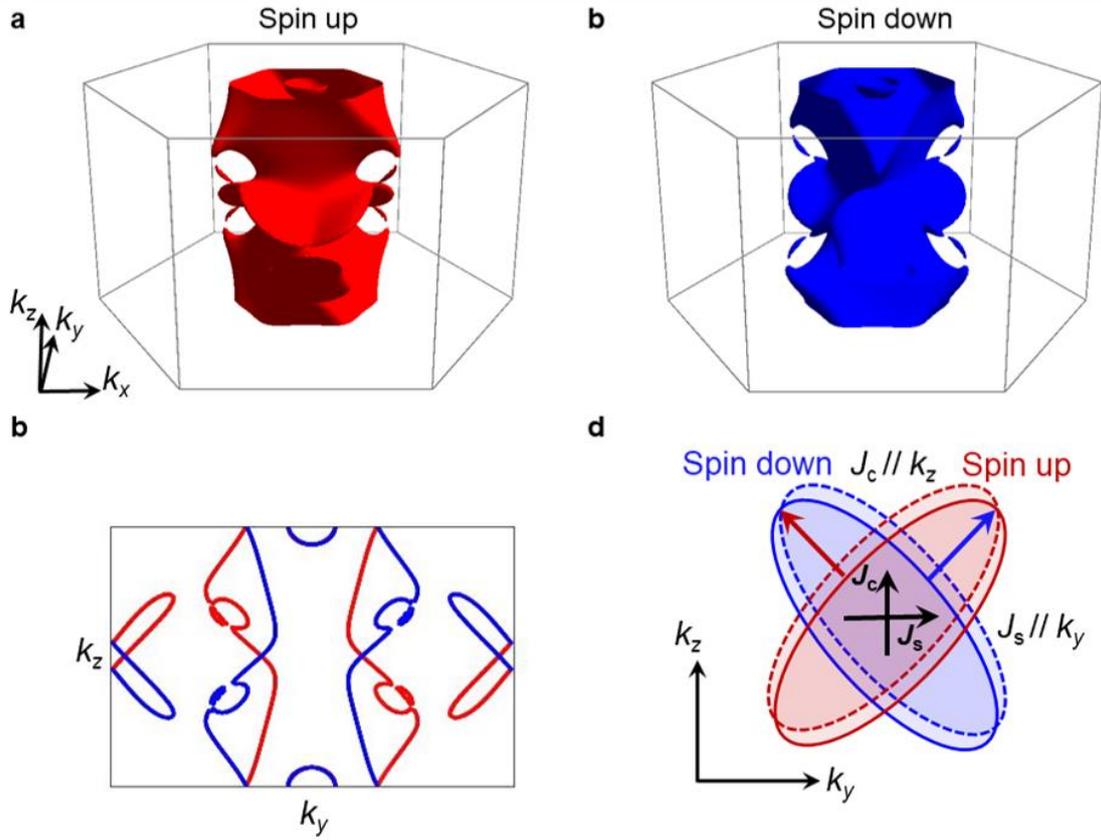
**Fig. S3 Schematic of the epitaxy growth modes of CrSb(0001) film grown on GaAs(111) substrate.** **a**, Schematic of the cubic GaAs(111) substrate, here  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}a = 3.99$  Å. **b**, Schematic of the hexagonal CrSb(0001) film, here  $a = 4.13$  Å.

### **Note 3. The $d$ -wave-like Fermi surface in CrSb with $C_3$ symmetry breaking**

The space group of bulk CrSb is the  $P6_3/mmc$ , with generators given by  $G = \{E, C_{3z}, M_x, M_z t, I\}$ . When antiferromagnetic (AFM) order is considered without spin-orbit coupling, the generators can be classified into two groups, expressed as  $G = G_0 + C \times G_0$ . Here  $G_0 = \{E, C_{3z}, M_x, I\}$  denotes the symmetries that preserve the same AFM sublattice, while  $C = M_z t$  represents the symmetry that exchanges the two AFM sublattices. In momentum space,  $G_0$  constrains the Fermi surface for each spin channel, whereas  $M_z t$  constrains the Fermi surfaces of the spin-up and spin-down channels, therefore, restricting spin conductivity for spin splitting torque (SST).

When  $C_3$  symmetry is broken, the generators of  $G_0$  reduce to  $\{E, M_x, I\}$ , while  $M_z t$ —which connects opposite AFM sublattices—is preserved, ensuring that CrSb remains a compensated antiferromagnet. A schematic illustration of the Fermi surface under this symmetry breaking is shown in Fig. 1f of the main text. To investigate strain effects in CrSb realistically, we performed first-principles calculations<sup>1-4</sup> based on the experimental lattice structure. The corresponding Fermi surface obtained from DFT is

shown in Fig. S4.



**Fig. S4 Strained-induced Fermi surface under the breaking of  $C_3$  symmetry.** a,b, Spin-resolved Fermi surfaces for spin-up (a) and spin-down (b) channels. c, Cross-section of Fermi surface on  $k_y - k_z$  plane. d, Spin splitting plane for charge-spin current interconversion.

#### **Note 4. Spin conductivity in strained CrSb**

We evaluate the spin-resolved conductivity by the Boltzmann equation using the Wannier model<sup>5</sup> derived from DFT calculations. The results are presented in Fig. S5, which shows that  $\sigma_{yz}^\downarrow = -\sigma_{yz}^\uparrow$ , while all other tensor elements remain identical between the two spin channels—consistent with our symmetry analysis. We further calculate the spin splitting angle via the relation:

$$\tan\theta_{ji}^i = \frac{2eJ^s}{\hbar J^c}$$

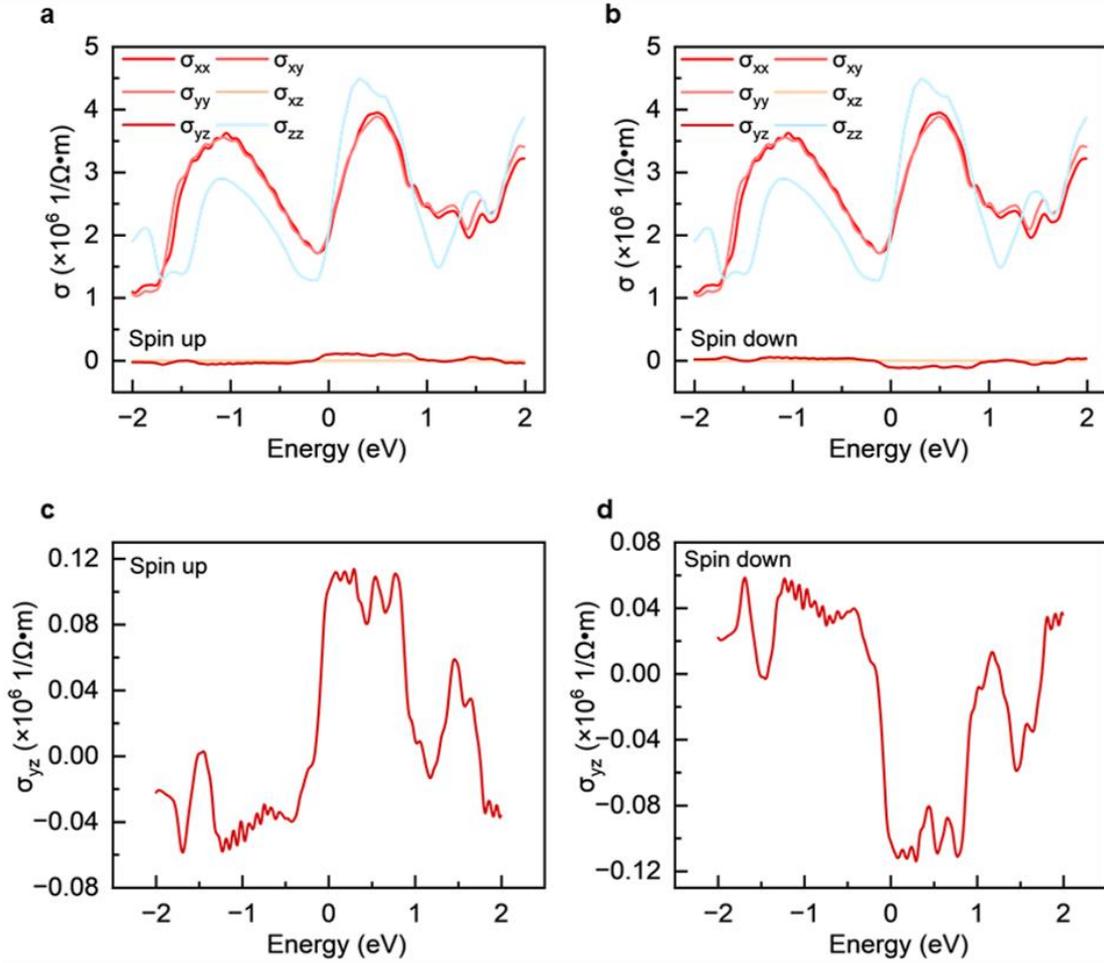
For strained CrSb under an electric field applied along the  $z$ -direction, this expression becomes

$$\tan\theta_{ji}^i = \frac{2eJ^s}{\hbar J^c} = \frac{2e\sigma_{yz}^s E_z}{\hbar\sigma_{zz}^c E_z} = \frac{2e\sigma_{yz}^s}{\hbar\sigma_{zz}^c}$$

Substituting  $\sigma_{yz}^s = \frac{\hbar}{2e} 2\sigma_{yz}^\uparrow$  and  $\sigma_{zz}^c = 2\sigma_{zz}^\uparrow$ , we obtain:

$$\tan\theta_{ji}^i = \frac{\sigma_{yz}^\uparrow}{\sigma_{zz}^\uparrow}$$

These calculation results are shown in Fig. 1f in the main text.



**Fig. S5 Charge and spin-resolved conductivity components under the breaking of  $C_3$ .** **a,b**, Spin-resolved conductivity for spin up  $\sigma^\uparrow$  (**a**) and spin down  $\sigma^\downarrow$  (**b**). **c,d**,  $\sigma_{yz}^s$  components corresponding to the experimental configuration for spin up (**c**) and spin down channels (**d**).

### Note 5. Extracting $\sigma_L$ in ST-FMR signals

The spin-torque ferromagnetic resonance (ST-FMR) voltages ( $V_{\text{mix}}$ ) are composed

of torque signals from longitudinal spin polarization ( $\sigma_L$ ), transverse spin polarization ( $\sigma_T$ ), and out-of-plane spin polarization ( $\sigma_O$ ), as shown in Table S1. The torque components acting on the Py moments can be categorized as follows:  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$  generate field-like (FL) torques ( $\tau_{FL-\sigma_L}$  and  $\tau_{FL-\sigma_T}$ ) and  $\sigma_O$  generates damping-like (DL) torque ( $\tau_{DL-\sigma_O}$ ), all of which contribute to out-of-plane torque ( $\tau_{\perp}$ ). While  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$ -induced damping-like torque ( $\tau_{DL-\sigma_L}$  and  $\tau_{DL-\sigma_T}$ ) and  $\sigma_O$ -induced field-like torque ( $\tau_{FL-\sigma_O}$ ) constitute in-plane torque ( $\tau_{\parallel}$ ). In addition, the Oersted field provides an extra contribution to  $\tau_{\perp}$ . The current induced  $\tau_{\parallel}$  and  $\tau_{\perp}$  contribute to the amplitudes of the symmetric ( $V_s$ ) and antisymmetric ( $V_a$ ) Lorentzian components of the  $V_{mix}$  line shape, respectively. Accordingly, these torque components can be extracted by fitting the  $V_{mix}$ - $H$  curves to a superposition of  $V_s$  and  $V_a$ :<sup>6-8</sup>

$$V_{mix} = V_s F_s + V_a F_a \quad (S1)$$

$$F_s = \frac{\Delta H^2}{[(H - H_0)^2 + \Delta H^2]} \quad (S2)$$

$$F_a = \frac{\Delta H(H - H_0)}{[(H - H_0)^2 + \Delta H^2]} \quad (S3)$$

Where  $F_s$  and  $F_a$  are symmetric and antisymmetric Lorentzian functions and the amplitude of  $V_s$  and  $V_a$  can reflect the amplitude of the  $\tau_{\parallel}$  and  $\tau_{\perp}$ .  $H$ ,  $\Delta H$ , and  $H_0$  are the external magnetic field, the spectral width, and the ferromagnetic resonance field, respectively. Based on Eqs. (S1)–(S3), the contributions of  $V_s$  and  $V_a$  can be extracted and shown in Fig.3b,c in the main text.

With respect to the expressions of  $\tau_{DL}$  and  $\tau_{FL}$  in Table S1, both  $\tau_{DL-\sigma_L}$ ,  $\tau_{DL-\sigma_T}$  contribute to  $\tau_{\parallel}$ , which is reflected in  $V_s$ . In materials where the longitudinal charge current produces spin current with only  $\sigma_T$ ,  $V_{mix}$ ,  $V_s$  and  $V_a$  change sign while maintaining the same amplitude at  $\varphi = 180^\circ - \beta$  and  $180^\circ + \beta$ .  $\varphi$  is the angle between the current and the magnetization. To verify the presence of  $\sigma_L$ , we compare the ST-FMR signals obtained at magnetic field angles of  $120^\circ$  ( $180^\circ - 60^\circ$ ) and  $240^\circ$  ( $180^\circ + 60^\circ$ ). As depicted in Fig.3b,c,  $V_a(120^\circ)$  and  $V_a(240^\circ)$  have the same magnitude but opposite signs. However,  $V_s(120^\circ)$  and  $V_s(240^\circ)$  have different magnitudes, demonstrating there is the  $\tau_{DL-\sigma_L}$  contribution. It should be emphasized that the damping-like torque and field-like torque have distinct physical origins.  $\tau_{DL}$  component mainly stems from bulk effects,

such as the spin Hall effect, while  $\tau_{FL}$  is typically generated by interfacial phenomena, for instance, the Rashba spin-orbit interaction. Because the SST in this system arises from the bulk CrSb layer, only the  $\tau_{DL}-\sigma_L$  component contributes the measured  $V_s$  signals, but no  $\tau_{FL}-\sigma_L$  component contributes  $V_a$  signals.

**Table S1** Amplitudes of the symmetric ( $V_s$ ) and antisymmetric ( $V_a$ ) ST-FMR voltages are proportional to the SOT parallel ( $\tau_{//}$ ) and vertical ( $\tau_{\perp}$ ) to the sample plane, respectively. Note that the SOT in CrSb/Py bilayers is contributed by  $\sigma_L$ ,  $\sigma_T$ ,  $\sigma_O$  and Oersted field.

	$\sigma_L$	$\sigma_T$	$\sigma_O$	Oersted field
$V_s(\tau_{//})$	Dampinglike ( $m \times \sigma_L \times m$ )	Dampinglike ( $m \times \sigma_T \times m$ )	Fieldlike ( $\sigma_O \times m$ )	
$V_a(\tau_{\perp})$	Fieldlike ( $\sigma_L \times m$ )	Fieldlike ( $\sigma_T \times m$ )	Dampinglike ( $m \times \sigma_O \times m$ )	$-m \times H$

**Note 6. Angle-dependent ST-FMR measurements**

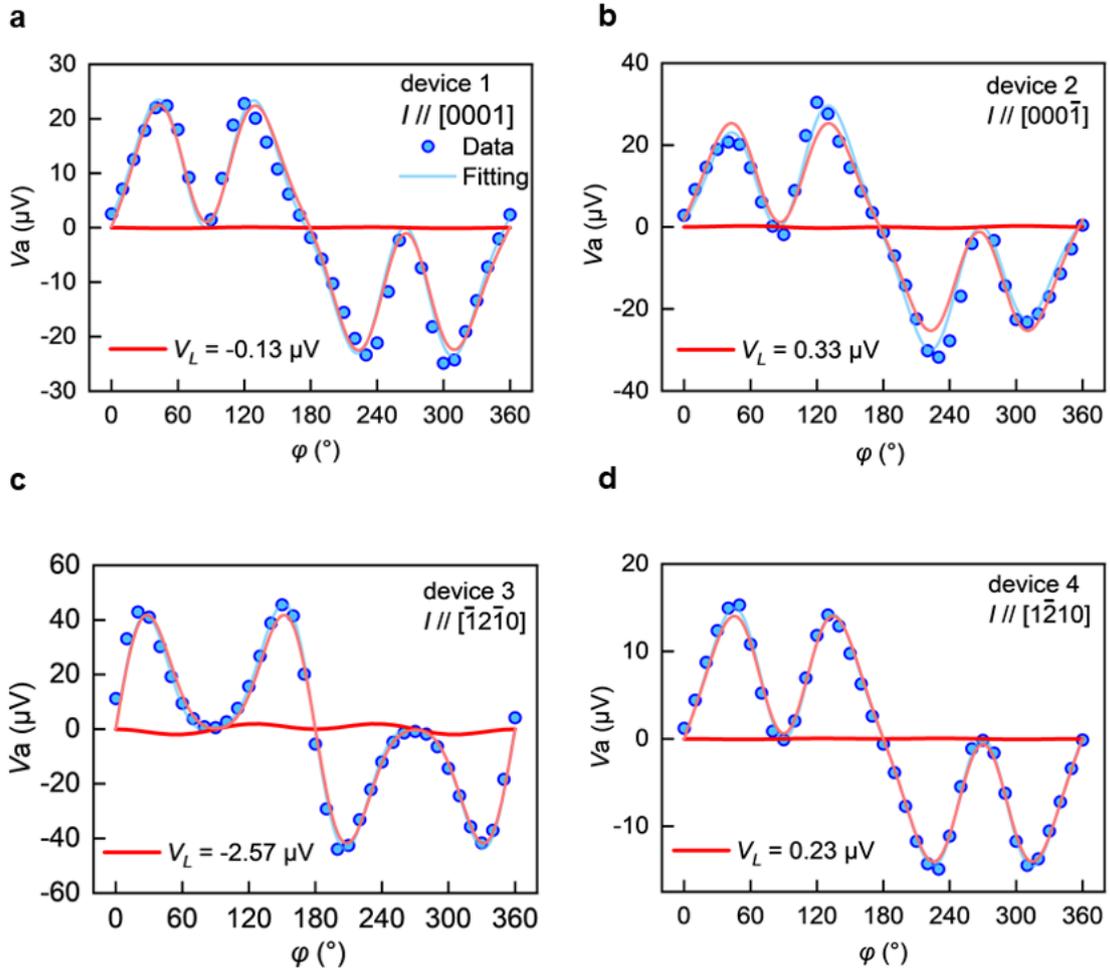
To identify the exotic torques more accurately, we performed angle-dependent ST-FMR measurement by changing the angle  $\varphi$  with an external magnetic field. Considering that  $V_{\text{mix}}$  contributed by  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$  obey different angle-dependent lineshapes, that is,  $\sin 2\varphi \sin \varphi$  for  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sin 2\varphi \cos \varphi$  for  $\sigma_T$ , we can separate the contribution of  $\sigma_L$  and  $\sigma_T$ . The fitting curves for the angle-dependent ST-FMR signals are based on Eqs.(4) and (5):<sup>9</sup>

$$V_s = S_{DL}^x \sin \varphi \sin 2\varphi + S_{DL}^y \cos \varphi \sin 2\varphi + S_{FL}^z \sin 2\varphi \quad (4)$$

$$V_a = A_{FL}^x \sin \varphi \sin 2\varphi + A_{FL}^y \cos \varphi \sin 2\varphi + A_{DL}^z \sin 2\varphi \quad (5)$$

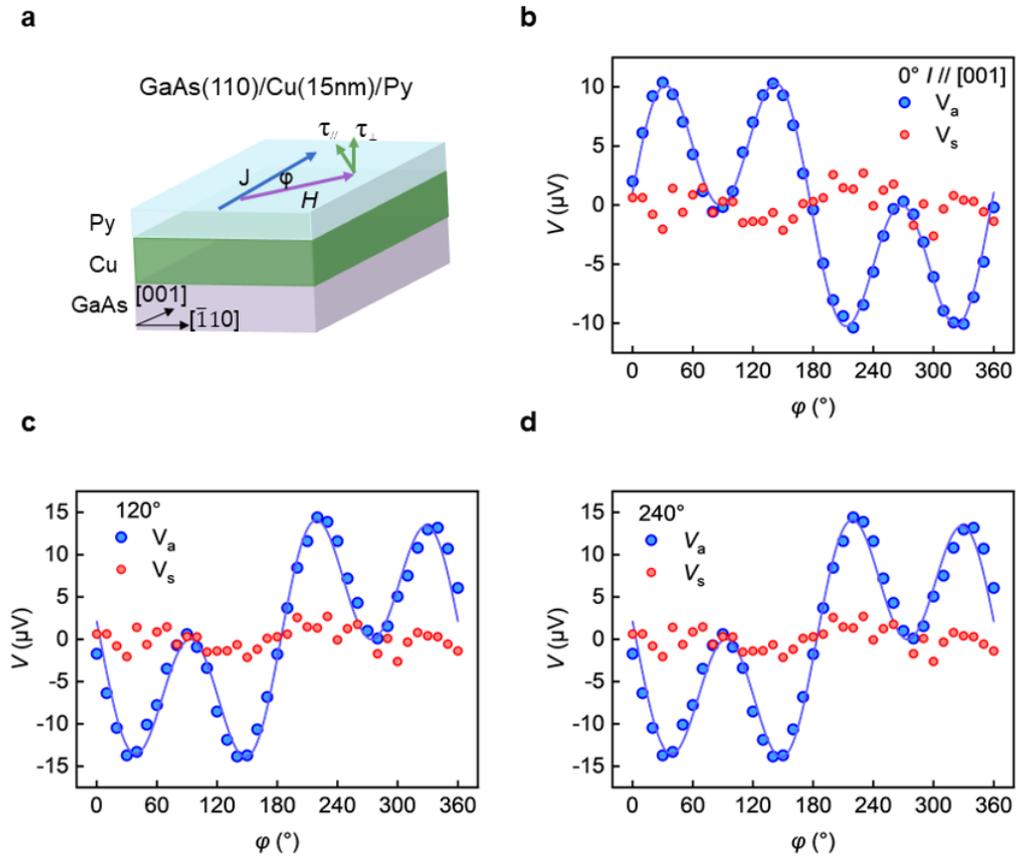
Where  $S_{DL}^x$ ,  $S_{DL}^y$ ,  $A_{DL}^z$  are the coefficients for the damping-like torques generated by the spin conductivities  $\sigma_L$ ,  $\sigma_T$  and  $\sigma_O$ , respectively, while  $A_{FL}^x$ ,  $A_{FL}^y$ ,  $S_{FL}^z$  correspond to the field-like torque components. Noted that  $A_{FL}^y$  also incorporates the contribution from the Oersted-field.  $V_s$  components are analyzed in the main text, confirming the presence of  $\tau_{DL}-\sigma_L$  in GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py films, which is a strain-induced SST.

Here we show the angle-dependent  $V_a$  signals of GaAs(110)/CrSb( $10\bar{1}0$ )/Py films.  $V_a$  includes the contributions of  $\tau_{\text{FL}}-\sigma_L$ ,  $\tau_{\text{FL}}-\sigma_T$ ,  $\tau_{\text{DL}}-\sigma_O$ , and the Oersted field. We extract the  $\tau_{\text{FL}}-\sigma_L$  terms,  $\sin 2\varphi \cos \varphi$ , from  $V_a-\varphi$  curves, and their magnitudes are denoted as  $V_L$ . As depicted in Fig. S6a, when the current is applied along the CrSb[0001], the  $V_L$  is  $-0.13 \mu\text{V}$  (dark red curve), which is very small compared to the value in  $V_s-\varphi$  curves. Furthermore, the magnitudes of  $V_L$  remain minuscule regardless of the current is along any other crystal directions, such as  $[000\bar{1}]$ ,  $[\bar{1}2\bar{1}0]$  and  $[1\bar{2}10]$ , as shown in Fig. S6b-d. These results demonstrate the absence of  $\tau_{\text{FL}}-\sigma_L$ .



**Fig. S6** Angle-dependent ST-FMR signals in GaAs(110)/CrSb( $10\bar{1}0$ )/Py. **a-d**, Antisymmetric resonance components ( $V_a$ ) as a function of in-plane magnetic-field angle for a GaAs(110)/CrSb( $10\bar{1}0$ )/Py film, with current applied along the  $[0001]$  (**a**),  $[000\bar{1}]$  (**b**),  $[\bar{1}2\bar{1}0]$ (**c**), and  $[1\bar{2}10]$  (**d**).

To ensure the accuracy of the ST-FMR measurements, we grew a sample consisting of GaAs(111)/Cu(15 nm)/Py(9 nm) thin film (Fig. S7a). The 15 nm Cu layer cannot produce the spin current flow to the Py layer. Therefore, the  $V_s$  signal will be completely suppressed, and the  $V_a$  signal will present a  $\sin 2\phi \cos \phi$  component, which originates from the Oersted field.  $V_s$  and  $V_a$  components are extracted from  $V_{\text{mix}}$ , as shown in Fig. S7b-d. When the current is applied along the GaAs[001] ( $0^\circ$ , Fig. S7b), only the  $V_a$  can be detected, and the  $V_s$  signal exhibits only minor fluctuations near the noise level. The angular dependence of the  $V_a$  component follows a  $\sin 2\phi \cos \phi$  dependence, indicating the absence of any spin-orbit or spin-splitting torque contributions. Similar behaviors are observed regardless of the applied current direction ( $120^\circ$  or  $240^\circ$ ). These results are consistent with the predictions, thereby validating both the reliability of our experimental setup and the robustness of the ST-FMR measurements.

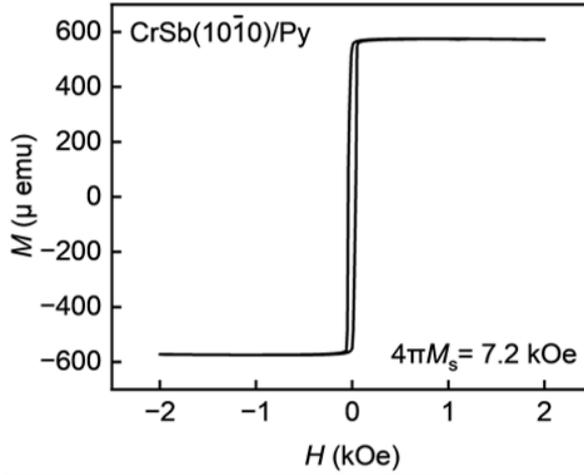


**Fig. S7 Angle-dependent ST-FMR signals in GaAs(110)/Cu/Py.** **a**, Schematic illustration of the GaAs(110)/Cu/Py thin film. **b-d**,  $V_a$  and  $V_s$  as a function of in-plane magnetic-field angle  $\phi$  for a Cu(15 nm)/Py(9 nm) device, with current applied along

the GaAs[001] direction ( $0^\circ$ , which is the angle between the current and the GaAs[001] direction) (b),  $120^\circ$  (c), and  $240^\circ$  (d).

**Note 7. Magnetic properties of GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py**

To calculate the spin splitting torque efficiency ( $\theta_{ss}$ ) of GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py films, we characterized the magnetic properties by the vibrating sample magnetometer, as shown in Fig. S8. The saturation magnetization of GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py films is  $4\pi M_s \sim 7.2$  kOe.

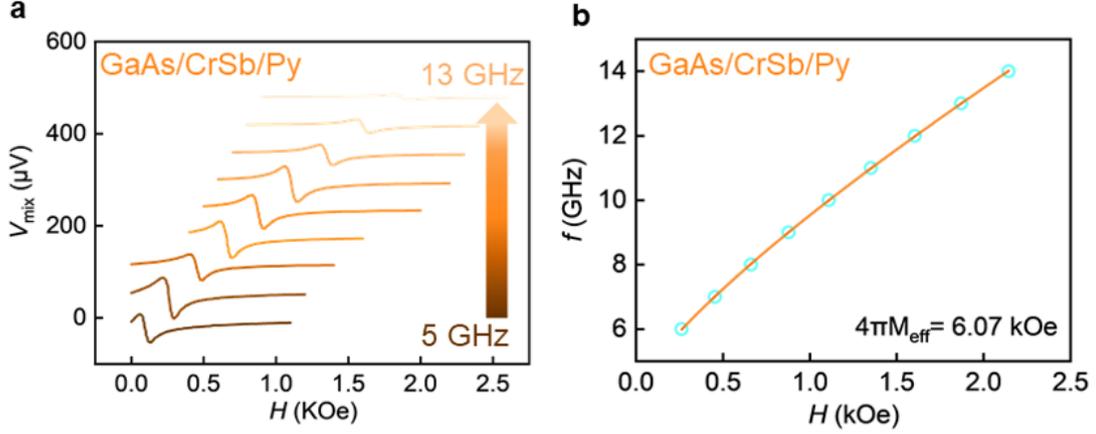


**Fig. S8 Magnetic properties of GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py.** Dependence of magnetization ( $M$ ) on in-plane  $H$  of GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py films.

The frequency-dependent  $V_{\text{mix}}$  signals and resonance field of GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py sample are shown in Fig. S9. As the frequency increases from 5 GHz to 13 GHz, the resonance fields increase, and the dependence of microwave frequency on the resonance fields is fitted by the Kittel equation:<sup>6</sup>

$$f = \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} (H_0(H_0 + 4\pi M_{\text{eff}}))^{1/2} \quad (6)$$

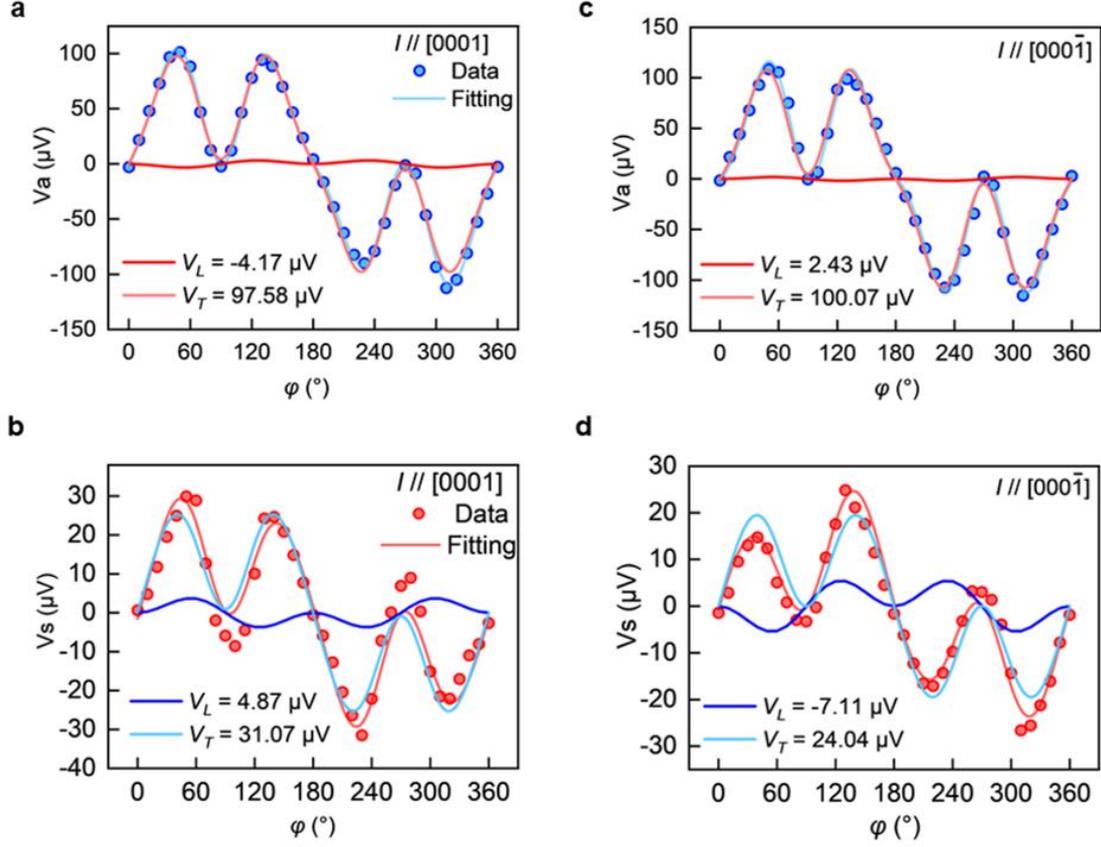
Where  $f$  is the microwave frequency,  $\gamma$  is the gyromagnetic ratio, and the  $4\pi M_{\text{eff}}$  is 6.07 kOe, which is obtained by fitting the Kittel equation.



**Fig. S9 Frequency-dependent ST-FMR measurements.** **a**,  $V_{\text{mix}}$  signals with the frequency ranging from 5 GHz to 13 GHz for a GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py sample. **b**, Frequency-dependent resonance fields.

### **Note 8. Additional devices**

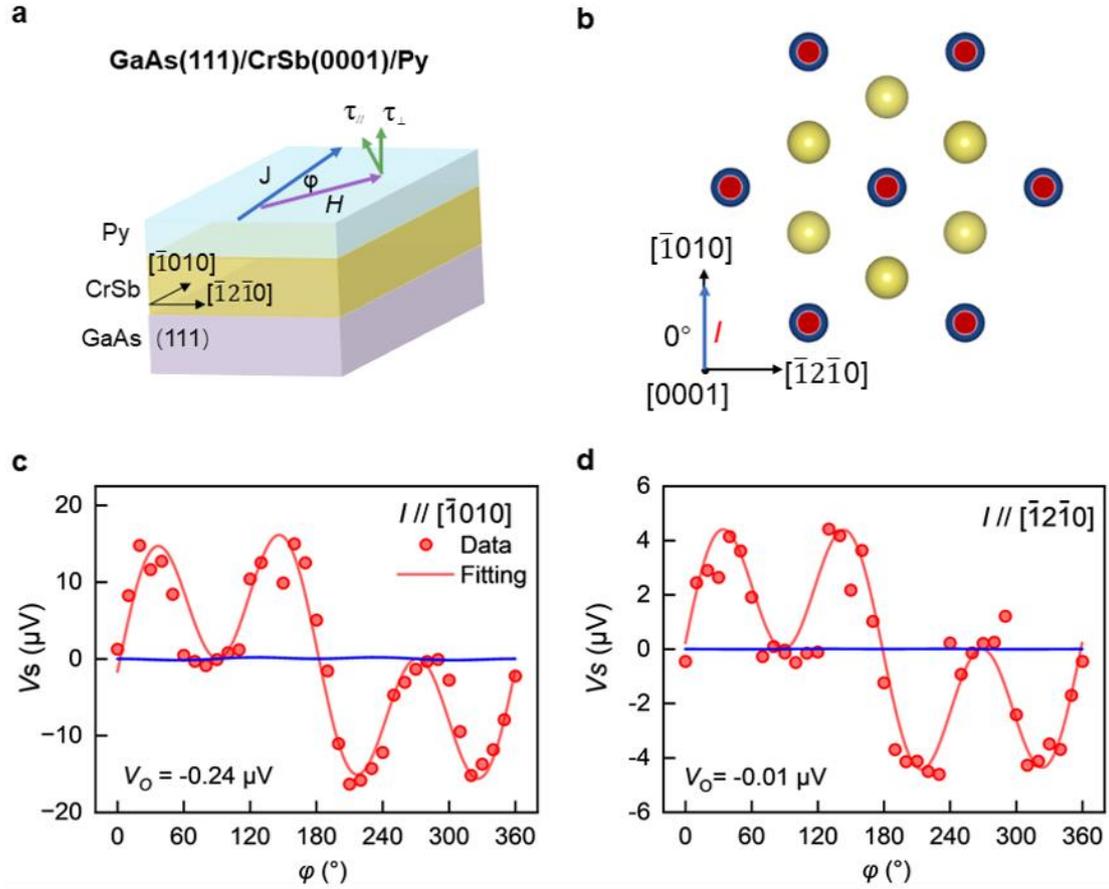
In the main text, we demonstrated the strain-induced spin splitting torque  $\tau_{\text{DL}}\text{-}\sigma_L$  in GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py films. Here, we further examine the repeatability of this effect using additional devices, as shown in Fig. S10. It is noteworthy that not all eight tested devices exhibit a pronounced  $\sigma_L$  spin polarization, which may be attributed to the partial cancellation of antiferromagnetic domains within the sample strip area. The  $V_a$  components display negligible  $V_L$  regardless of whether the current is applied along the [0001] or [000 $\bar{1}$ ] (Fig. S10a and S10c), indicating a vanishingly small  $\tau_{\text{FL}}\text{-}\sigma_L$ . When the current is applied along the CrSb[0001], the  $V_L$  is 4.87  $\mu\text{V}$ , corresponding to  $V_L/V_T = 0.156$  in  $V_s$  (Fig.S10b). This value is smaller than that of the device discussed in the main text, likely due to the influence of antiferromagnetic domain structures. When the current is applied along the [000 $\bar{1}$ ], the  $V_L$  is  $-7.11 \mu\text{V}$ , yielding  $V_L/V_T = -0.30$  in  $V_s$  (Fig.S10d), which is nearly identical in magnitude to the value reported in the main text. Taken together, these results confirm the repeatability and reliability of the strain-induced SST.



**Fig. S10** Angle-dependent ST-FMR measurements in an additional GaAs(110)/CrSb(10 $\bar{1}$ 0)/Py film. **a-d**,  $V_a$  and  $V_s$  as a function of  $\phi$ , with current applied along the CrSb[0001] direction (**a,b**), and CrSb[000 $\bar{1}$ ] (**c,d**).

### **Note 9. Characterization of spin-splitting torque in GaAs(111)/CrSb(0001)/Py**

In the main text, we presented the  $V_a$  components when the current is applied along the CrSb[10 $\bar{1}$ 0] and CrSb[ $\bar{1}$ 2 $\bar{1}$ 0] directions, demonstrating the absence of  $\tau_{DL}-\sigma_O$ . Here, the corresponding  $V_s$  components are presented, from which the  $\tau_{DL}-\sigma_O$  contribution, characterized by a  $\sin 2\phi$  dependence, can be extracted from the  $V_s-\phi$  curves, as presented in Fig. S11. The extracted  $V_O$  components are minimal with magnitudes of  $-0.24 \mu\text{V}$  when the current is applied along CrSb[10 $\bar{1}$ 0], and  $-0.01 \mu\text{V}$  when the current is applied along CrSb[ $\bar{1}$ 2 $\bar{1}$ 0], confirming the absence of the  $\tau_{FL}-\sigma_O$ . These results demonstrate that spin splitting torque cannot be generated in a system with preserved  $C_3$  symmetry.



**Fig. S11 Absence of SST in GaAs(111)/CrSb(0001)/Py film characterized by ST-FMR.** **a**, The schematic of GaAs(111)/CrSb(0001)/Py film, where in-plane crystalline axes of the CrSb film are denoted. **b**, The CrSb(0001) plane and the crystal orientation. **c,d**,  $V_s$  as a function of  $\phi$ , with current applied along the CrSb $[\bar{1}010]$  (**c**), and CrSb $[\bar{1}2\bar{1}0]$  (**d**).

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