



Supplementary Figure 1: Spin polarization of surface Dirac-cone band

a, Schematic of spin- and angular-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (SARPES) experimental geometry using the HeI α light source (21.2 eV) and very low energy electron diffraction (VLEED) spin detectors. **b**, Angular-resolved photoemission (ARPES) image plotted as functions of the emission angle θ and the binding energy, showing the surface Dirac-cone. **c**, Spin-resolved energy distribution curves recorded at $\theta = -3.5^\circ$ for x , y , z spin orientations, respectively. Red (blue) markers indicate the intensities for spin-up (spin-down) components, I_x^\uparrow (I_x^\downarrow), I_y^\uparrow (I_y^\downarrow), and I_z^\uparrow (I_z^\downarrow).

Supplementary Note 1. Spin- and angular- resolved photoemission spectroscopy (SARPES)

SARPES with the HeI α light source (21.2 eV) was performed at the Efficient SPin REsolved SpectroScOpy (ESPRESSO) end station attached to the APPLE-II type variable polarization undulator beam line (BL-9B) at the Hiroshima Synchrotron Radiation Center (HSRC)¹. The analyzer of this system consists of 2 sets of VLEED (Very low energy electron diffraction) spin detectors, thus enabling the detection of the electron spin orientation in 3 dimension². The angular resolution was set to $\pm 1.5^\circ$ and the total energy resolution was set to 35 meV. Samples were cleaved *in situ* at around room temperature and measured at 20 K.

The geometry of the measurement is shown in Supplementary Figure 1a. Here, x, y, z represent the axes fixed at the β -PdBi₂ sample, where x and y are taken along the in-plane nearest Pd-Pd directions and z along the stacking direction. X, Y, Z are the coordinate system fixed at the spin detector system. The magnetization of the targets in the two VLEED spin detectors can be selectively aligned along X, Z , and Y, Z , respectively, by using electric coils. The acquisition of the spin polarization along the β -PdBi₂ crystal axes, x, y, z , is available by the following procedures.

The spin polarization of the electron at the spin detector, e.g. P_Y for Y -direction, is obtained by

$$P_Y = \frac{1}{S_{eff}} \frac{I_Y^+ - I_Y^-}{I_Y^+ + I_Y^-}, \text{ where } S_{eff} = 0.32 \text{ is the effective Sherman function and } I_Y^+, I_Y^- \text{ are the raw ARPES}$$

spectra recorded with the target magnetization of plus and minus along Y -direction. P_X and P_Z are

similarly obtained from $I_X^{+,-}$ and $I_Z^{+,-}$, respectively. The spin-up and spin-down spectra, $I_X^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$, $I_Y^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$,

$I_Z^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$, are calculated by $I_Y^{\uparrow,\downarrow} = (1 \pm P_Y) \frac{I_Y^+ + I_Y^-}{2}$, and etc.

The spin polarization P_x, P_y, P_z and the SARPES spectra $I_x^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$, $I_y^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$, $I_z^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$ projected along the x, y, z crystal axes are related to P_X, P_Y, P_Z and $I_X^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$, $I_Y^{\uparrow,\downarrow}, I_Z^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$ by

$$\begin{pmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_X \\ P_Y \\ P_Z \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} I_x^{\uparrow,\downarrow} \\ I_y^{\uparrow,\downarrow} \\ I_z^{\uparrow,\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_X^{\uparrow,\downarrow} \\ I_Y^{\uparrow,\downarrow} \\ I_Z^{\uparrow,\downarrow} \end{pmatrix},$$

where θ is the emission angle of the electron. $I_x^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$, $I_y^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$, and $I_z^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$ thus obtained are shown in

Supplementary Figure 1c for $\theta = -3.5^\circ$ as indicated in Supplementary Figure 1b. Note that for

y -component which is discussed in the main text, the simple relation $I_y^{\uparrow,\downarrow} = I_Y^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$ holds regardless of θ .

Supplementary References

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