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研究成果の概要(和文)：電圧による磁化制御は、超低電力スピントロニックデバイスの実現への道を開いたため、様々な研究が進められている。Cr2O3薄膜を使用することにより、Cr2O3と強磁性(FM)の交換結合のおかげで、FM層で電圧誘起磁化反転を実現することもできた。動的磁気特性は磁化反転と密接に関連しているため、これらの特性を深く理解する必要がある。強磁性共鳴技術を使用したPt/FM/Cr2O3積層膜の動的磁気特性を検討した。結果は、動的磁気特性がFM層とPt層の厚さの両方に依存することを示した。これは、動的磁気特性がFM層によって決定され、FM/Cr2O3の界面磁化と交換結合によって制御できることを意味する。

研究成果の学術的意義や社会的意義

So far the investigation of dynamic magnetic properties in exchange-coupled Cr2O3/FM/NM systems was lack. The investigation here would set more light in the origin of the voltage-induced magnetization switching, and contribute to the realization of ultra-low power spintronic devices using Cr2O3.

研究成果の概要(英文)：The control of magnetization using a voltage has attracted much attention because it has opened the way to realize the ultra-low power spintronic devices. By using Cr2O3 thin film, we also could achieve the voltage-induced magnetization switching in an adjacent ferromagnetic (FM) layer, thanks to the exchange coupling between Cr2O3 and FM. Since the dynamic magnetic properties are closely related to magnetization switching, a deep understanding on these properties is necessitated.

We focused on the investigation of the dynamic magnetic properties of Pt/FM/Cr2O3 systems using the ferromagnetic resonance technique. The results showed that the dynamic magnetic properties depends on both of the FM layer thickness and Pt layer thickness. This means that the dynamic magnetic properties of the Pt/FM/Cr2O3 system are strongly determined by the FM layer, and these properties could be correlated by the perpendicular magnetic anisotropy and the exchange coupling in the FM/Cr2O3 system.

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1. 研究開始当初の背景

Modulation of magnetic properties by means of electric-field (i.e., voltage) is attracting much attention for application to low power electronics. Of particular interest is to use the magneto-electric (ME) effect to achieve the voltage-induced magnetization switching. The ME switching of magnetization enables the direct coupling between the magnetization and the electric field using ME materials whose magnetization can be controlled by the electric field.

Among various ME materials, Cr_2O_3 is one of the most intensively studied systems showing the ME effect thanks to the antiferromagnetic (AFM) property of this material at above room temperature. In a stacking structure of Cr_2O_3 and a ferromagnetic (FM) layer, the exchange coupling results in the exchange bias, whose polarity can be controlled by a voltage thanks to the ME effect of Cr_2O_3 . The ME switching in $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3/\text{FM}$ has been demonstrated in the bulk systems at first [1, 2], and recently in the thin film systems [3, 4] with very fast magnetization dynamics [5]. It is well-known that the magnetization dynamics are closely related to the magnetic properties, especially the dynamic magnetic properties of every system, and these dynamic magnetic properties such as the damping constant, are very sensitive with the stacking structure and/or the perpendicular magnetic anisotropy. Therefore, a detailed investigation of the dynamic magnetic properties, and their correlation with the other parameters such as the perpendicular magnetic anisotropy are important to realize the application of Cr_2O_3 -based ME switching.

2. 研究の目的

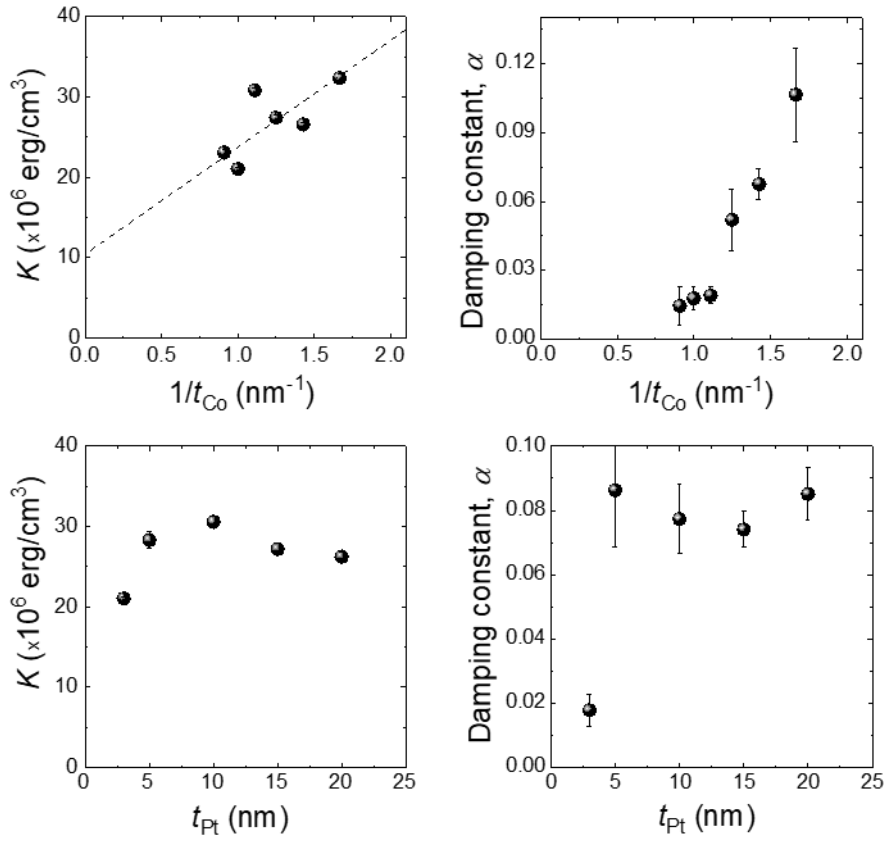
In this study, to deepen understating the ME switching in $\alpha\text{-Cr}_2\text{O}_3$ -based stacking structures, we investigated the dynamic magnetic properties in the $\text{Pt}/\text{Co}/\alpha\text{-Cr}_2\text{O}_3$ stacks. We also discussed the dynamic magnetic properties in correlation with the perpendicular magnetic anisotropy energy of the stack.

3. 研究の方法

$\text{Pt-cap}(t_{\text{Pt}})/\text{Co}(t_{\text{Co}})/\alpha\text{-Cr}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Pt-buffer}$ layer stacked films were deposited by DC magnetron sputtering onto $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ (0001) substrates. Herein, the perpendicular magnetic anisotropy energy was controlled by changing the thickness of each layer in the stack. The crystalline orientations of each layer were characterized by reflection high-energy electron diffraction (RHEED). As for the magnetic properties of the Co layer in this system, their magnetization measurements were investigated by a vibrating sample magnetometer (VSM), which provided the saturation magnetization M_s . An effective perpendicular magnetic anisotropy field $H_{\text{k,eff}}$ and the damping constant α were evaluated by a broadband ferromagnetic resonance (B-FMR) measurement technique composing of a vector network analyzer and a coplanar waveguide. The perpendicular magnetic anisotropy energy density K was estimated using the M_s and $H_{\text{k,eff}}$ values.

4. 研究成果

The clear RHEED patterns were observed as a result of the good epitaxial structure between all layers. The VSM data show the perpendicular magnetic anisotropy in all samples. Co layer thickness t_{Co} dependence of perpendicular magnetic anisotropy energy density K reveals that the bulk magnetic anisotropy plays an important role in the system in addition to the interfacial anisotropy. Damping constant α monotonically increases with the decrease of t_{Co} but not proportionally to $1/t_{\text{Co}}$. Both K and α increase with the increase of Pt layer thickness t_{Pt} from 3 nm to 5 nm and keep almost constant in the t_{Pt} range between 5 nm to 20 nm. This means that the dynamic magnetic properties of the $\text{Pt}/\text{FM}/\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$ system are strongly determined by the FM layer, and these properties could be controlled by the interfacial magnetization and exchange coupling in $\text{FM}/\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$. These results are of importance to understand the magnetization switching behavior driven by the ME effect as well as to design the spintronic devices using the ME effect.



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