Magnetic phases in bilayer graphene nanoflake controlled with external electric fields

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The paper presents a computational study of the ground-state magnetic phases in a bilayer rectangular graphene nanoflake [1]. The presence of external electric field with in-plane and perpendicular component is assumed, together with the possible Zeeman splitting of energy levels. The calculations are based on Hubbard model in Mean Field Approximation. The magnetic phase diagram reveals the presence of phases with total spin of 0 and 1. Moreover, significant stability ranges of antiferromagnetic states with layer spin imbalance are predicted within the phase with the total spin equal to 0. All the phases can be controlled with both electric field components. In particular, the antiferromagnetic order parameter can be varied continuously by the field.

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