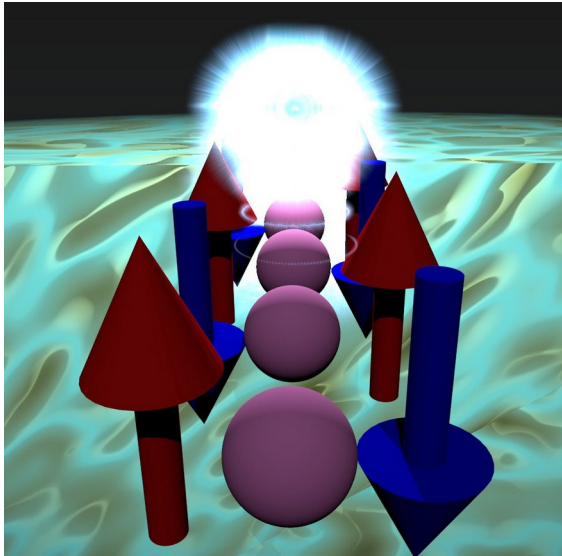


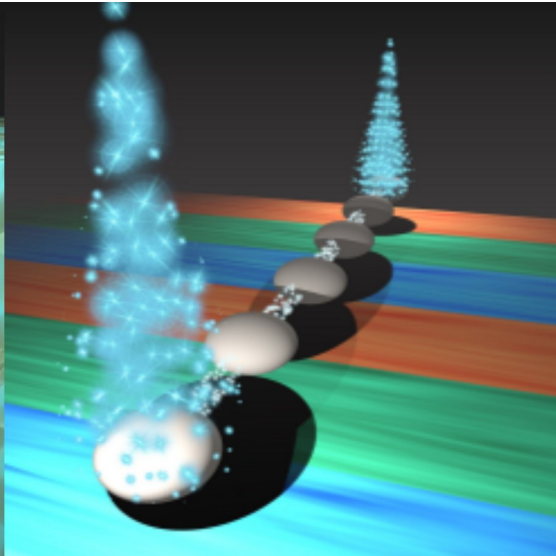
# Dynamical excitations in interacting non-Hermitian and quasiperiodic topological many-body matter

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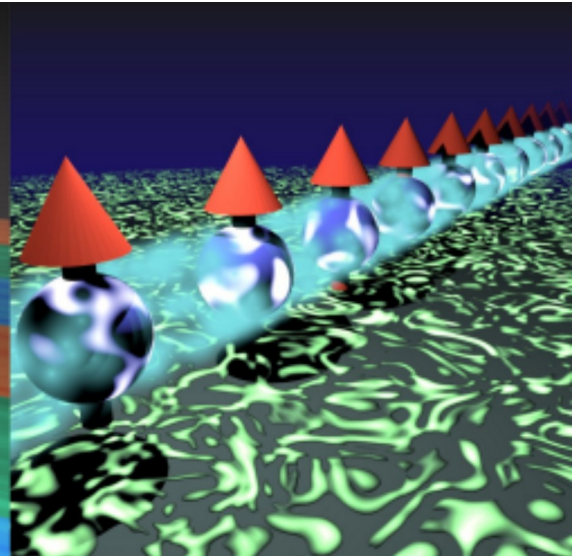
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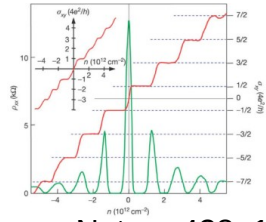


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# Topological matter

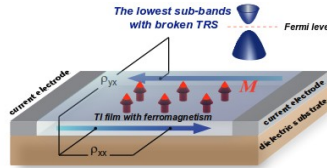
## Quantum Hall effect



graphene

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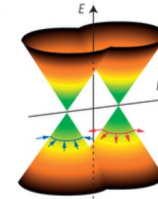
## Quantum Anomalous Hall effect



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Cr-doped  
(Bi,Sb)<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>

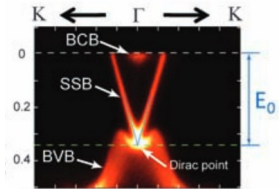
## Weyl semimetal



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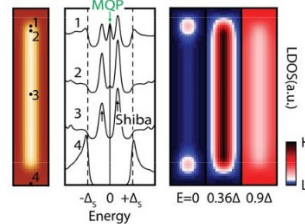
## Quantum Spin Hall effect



Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>

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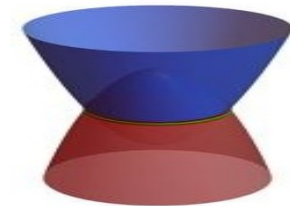
## Topological superconductor



Fe@Pb

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## Nodal line semimetals



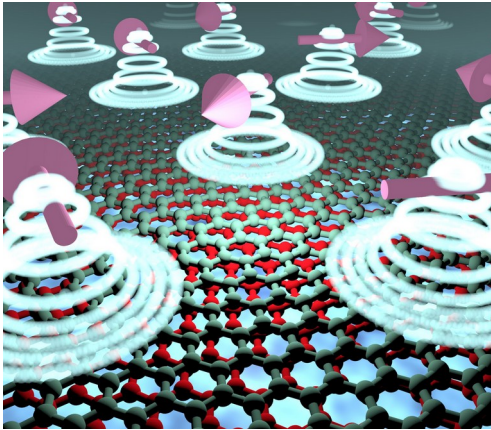
Mg<sub>3</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub>

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***All these states are described by effective single-particle Hamiltonians***

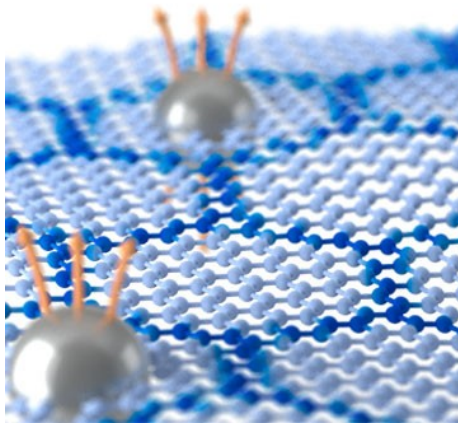
# Many-body quantum matter

## Quantum spin liquids



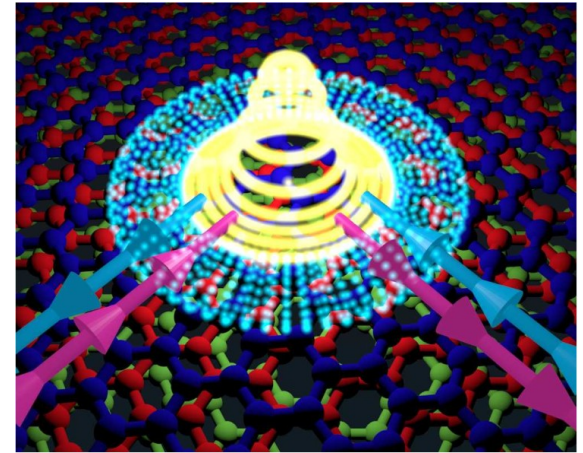
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## Fractional Chern insulators



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## Parafermions



*Annual Review of Condensed Matter Physics* 7, 119-139 (2016)

***Many-body quantum matter represents an exciting critically open challenge***



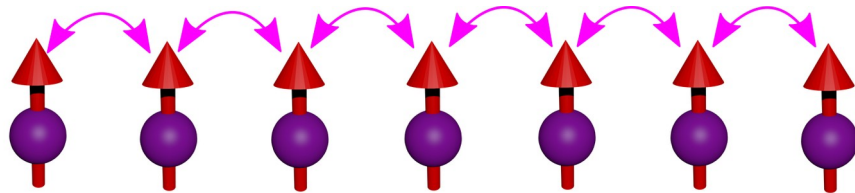
# The problem of dimensionality

In a many-body problem, the size of our vectors grows as

$$2^L$$

where  $L$  is the number of sites

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$



For a single-particle tight binding problem, we can reach up to  $10^8$  sites in a laptop

For a many-problem, we cannot even store states for systems bigger than  $L = 30$  sites

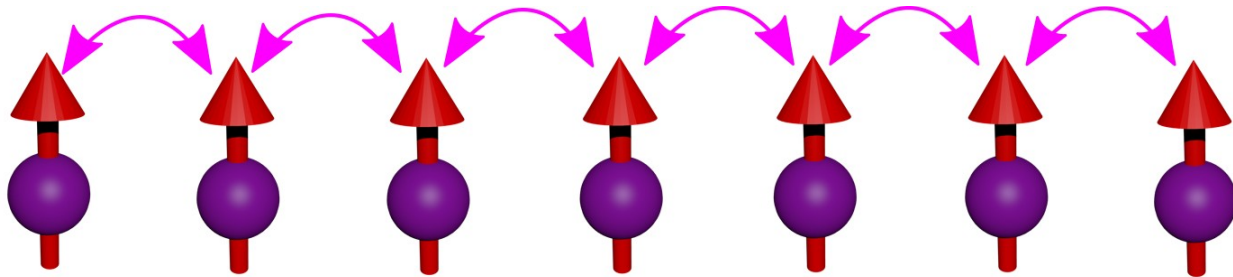
$$2^{30} \sim 10^9$$

**How can we compute dynamical properties if we cannot even store the states?**

# Many-body dynamical correlators

*One dimensional Heisenberg Hamiltonian*

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$



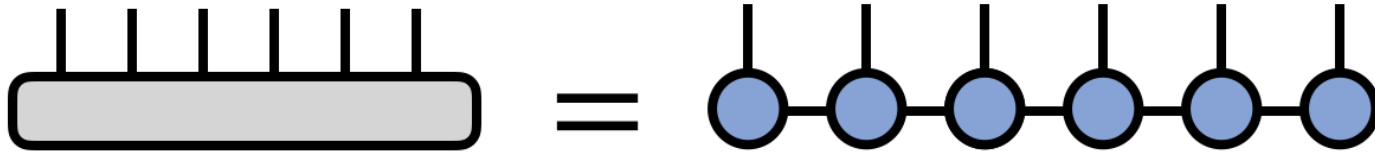
**We want to compute the dynamical correlator**

$$\mathcal{S}(N, \omega) = \langle GS | S_N^z \delta(\omega - \mathcal{H} + E_0) S_N^z | GS \rangle$$

# State compression with tensor-networks

Given a many-body wavefunction, we can parametrize the components as

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\{s\}} \text{Tr} \left[ A_1^{(s_1)} A_2^{(s_2)} \dots A_N^{(s_N)} \right] |s_1 s_2 \dots s_N\rangle$$



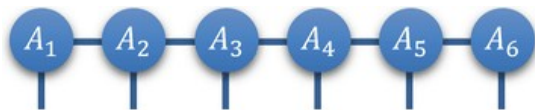
*Matrix product state*

The previous representation allows drastically reducing the memory required to store a state

*Annals of Physics 326, 96 (2011)*

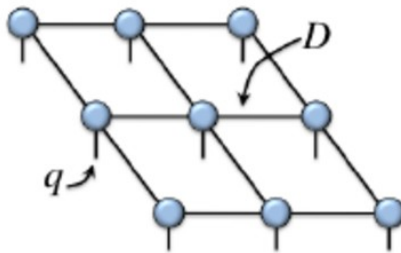
# Many-body state compression

Matrix-product states



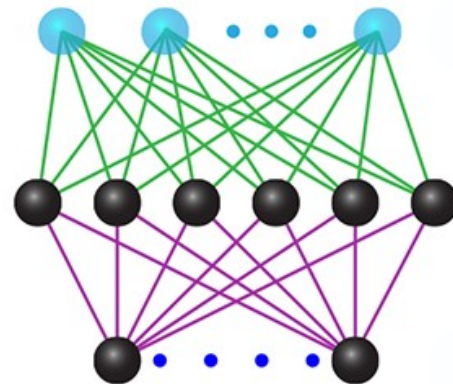
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Projected entangled pair-states



*Annals of Physics* 326, 96 (2011)

Neural-network quantum states



*Science* 355.6325 (2017): 602-606.

***Compressed many-body states allow using kernel-polynomial methods for many-body systems***

# The kernel-polynomial tensor-network algorithm

Take a many-body Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$

Obtain a tensor-network representation of the many-body ground state

$$|GS\rangle = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} A_1 \text{---} A_2 \text{---} A_3 \text{---} A_4 \text{---} A_5 \text{---} A_6 \text{---} \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \\ | \end{array}$$

And apply the kernel polynomial algorithm in the compressed representation

$$\bar{\chi}(\omega) = \langle GS | S_N^z \delta(\omega - \bar{H}) S_N^z | GS \rangle$$

$$\bar{\chi}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi \sqrt{1 - \omega^2}} \left[ \mu_0 + 2 \sum_{l=1}^{N_p} \mu_l T_l(\omega) \right]$$

*Rev. Mod. Phys.* 78, 275 (2006)

$$\mu_l = \langle GS | S_N^z T_l(\bar{H}) S_N^z | GS \rangle \quad |w_0\rangle = S_N^z |GS\rangle,$$

$$\mu_l = \langle GS | S_N^z |w_l\rangle \quad |w_1\rangle = \bar{H} |w_0\rangle,$$

$$|w_{l+1}\rangle = 2\bar{H} |w_l\rangle - |w_{l-1}\rangle,$$

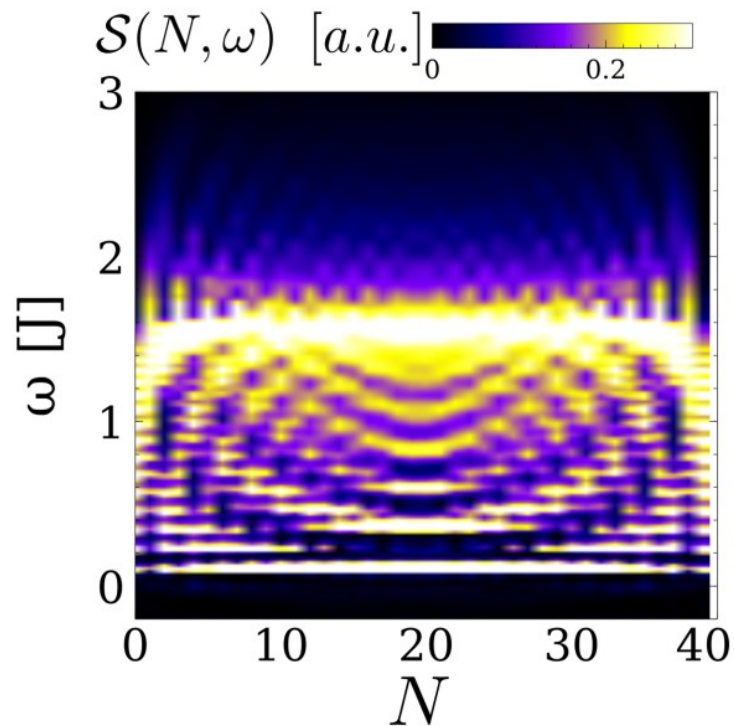
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**Open-source implementation in** <https://github.com/joselado/dmrgpy>

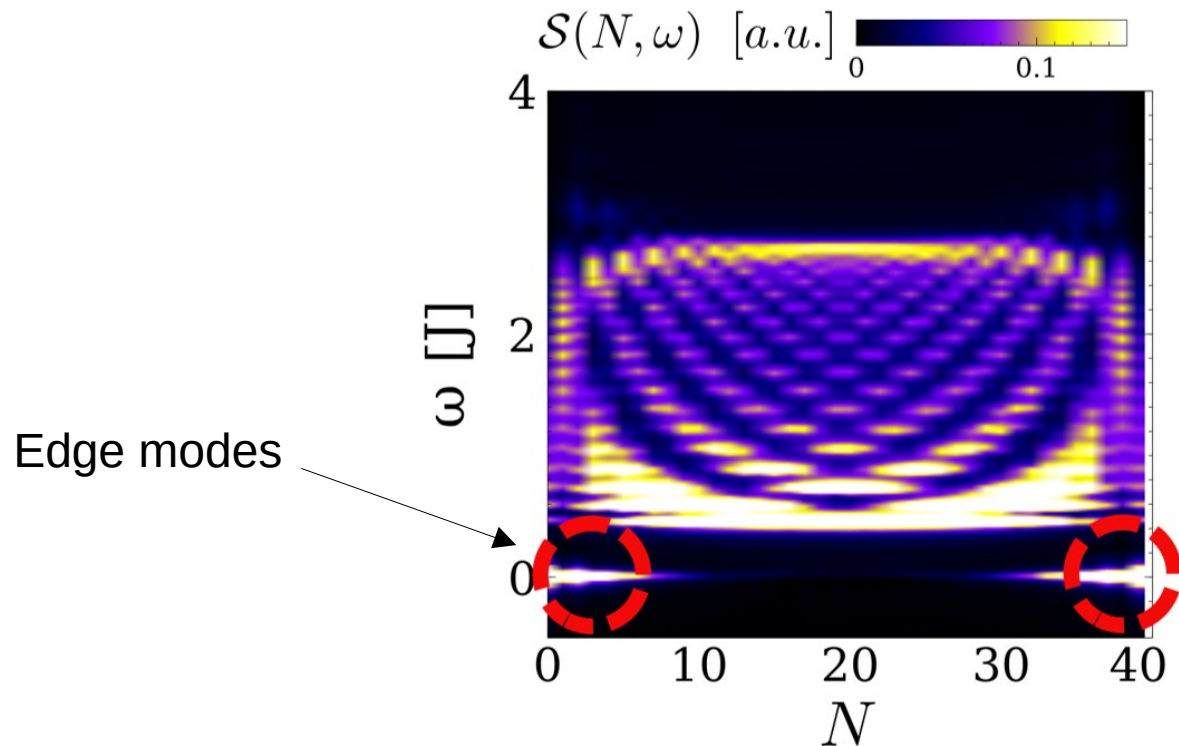


# Dynamical structure factor of a Heisenberg model

**S=1/2 chain**



**S=1 chain**



# Behind the scenes

## ***Bound states at spin-liquid/superconductor interfaces***

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Driven by interface physics

## ***Quasiperiodic many-body topology***

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Driven by quasiperiodicity

## ***Non-Hermitian many-body topology***

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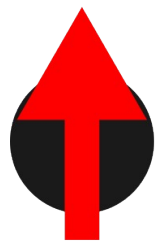
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Driven by losses

# Many-body excitations in spin-liquid/superconductor junctions

# Magnetic impurities in superconductors

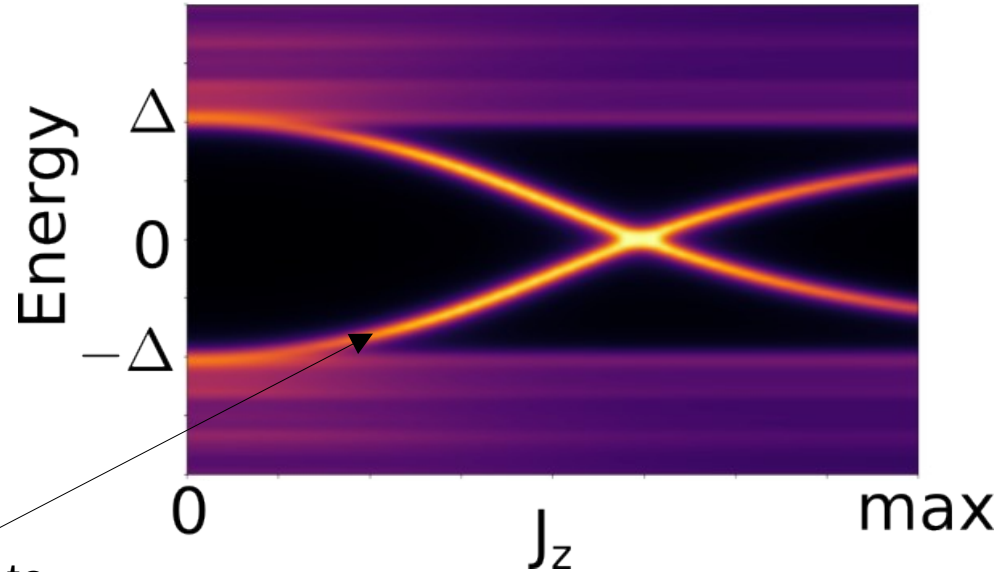
Magnetic impurity



Superconductor

$$H = J_z (c_{0,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{0,\uparrow} - c_{0,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0,\downarrow})$$

Yu-Shiba-Rusinov state



An in-gap Yu-Shiba-Rusinov state appears due to local time-reversal symmetry breaking



# Classical and quantum magnets

Stagger antiferromagnet (mean-field solution): breaks time-reversal

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{AF}} \quad |GS\rangle = \left| \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right\rangle$$

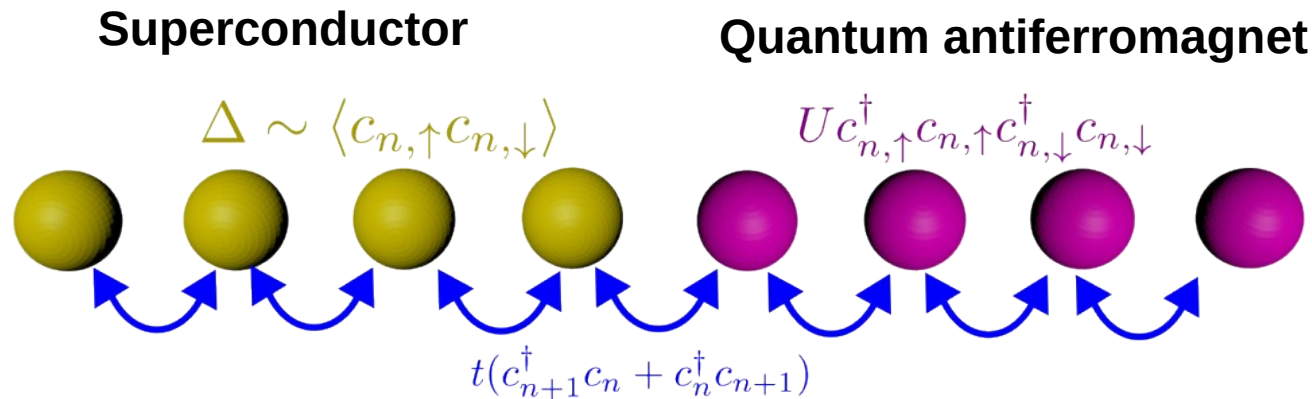
Quantum antiferromagnet (many-body solution): does not break time-reversal

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{U}} \quad |GS\rangle = \left| \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right\rangle - \left| \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \right\rangle$$

Hubbard interaction  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{U}} = \sum_n U c_{n,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{n,\uparrow} c_{n,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{n,\downarrow}$

**What happens at interfaces between a quantum many-body 1D antiferromagnet and a superconductor?**

# Superconductor-quantum antiferromagnet junction



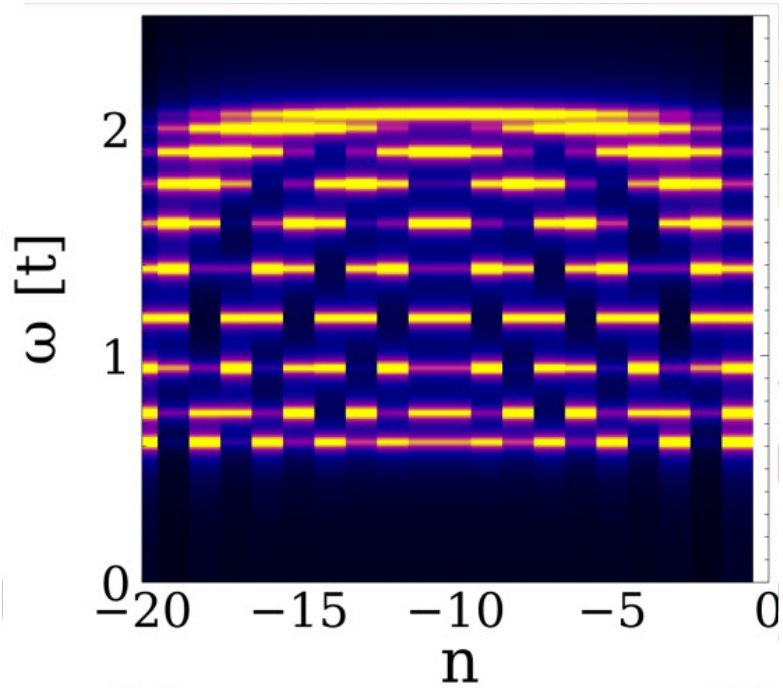
$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{SC}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{int}}$$

The ground state does not break time-reversal symmetry

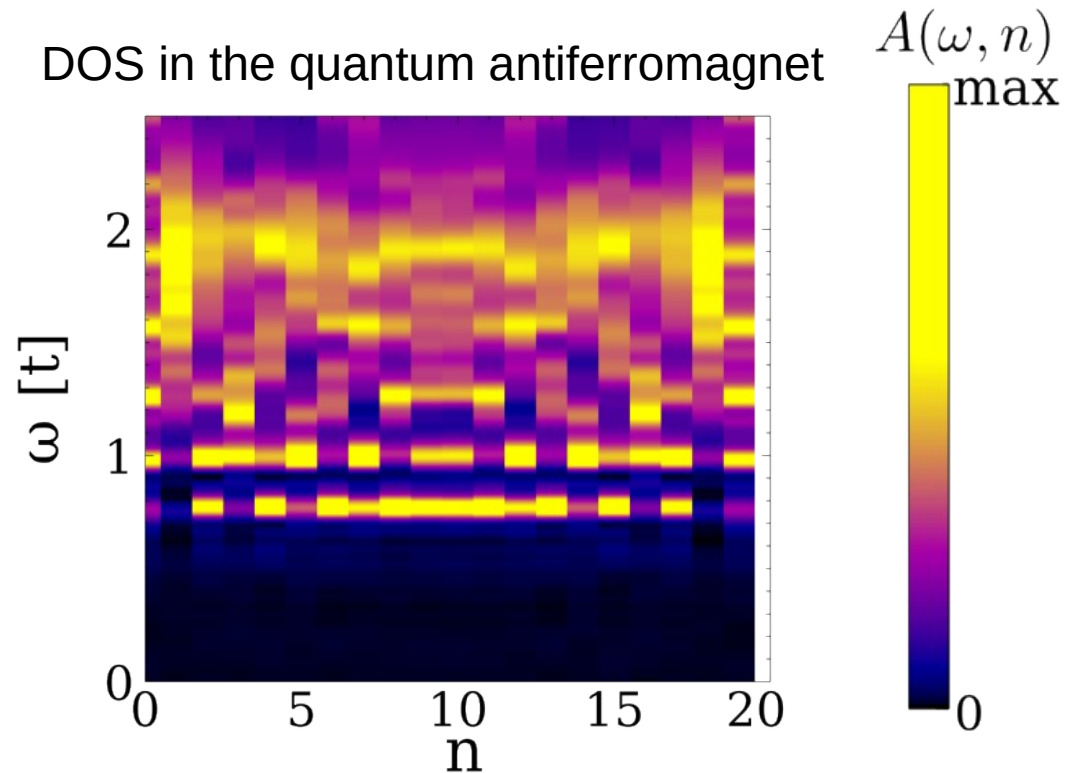
If it was a (time-reversal) symmetry broken antiferromagnet, there would be Yu-Shiba-Rusinov states

# Many-body spectral function

DOS in the superconductor



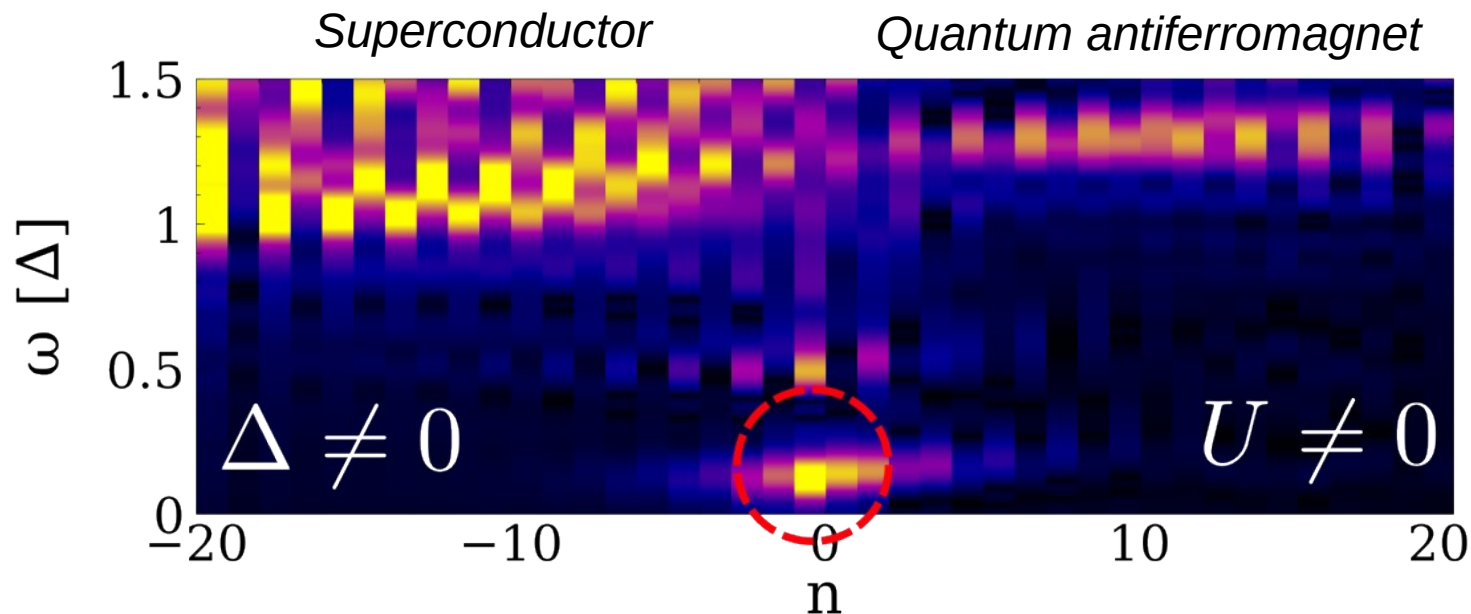
DOS in the quantum antiferromagnet



Both systems show an electronic gap when decoupled

# In-gap modes at the SC-quantum AF interface

## Superconductor-quantum antiferromagnet junction

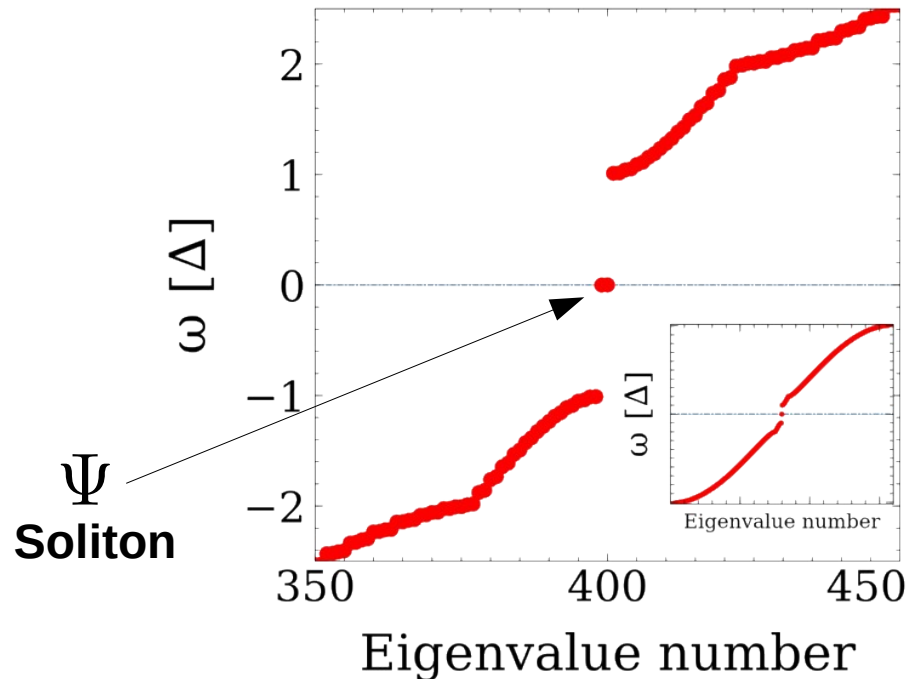
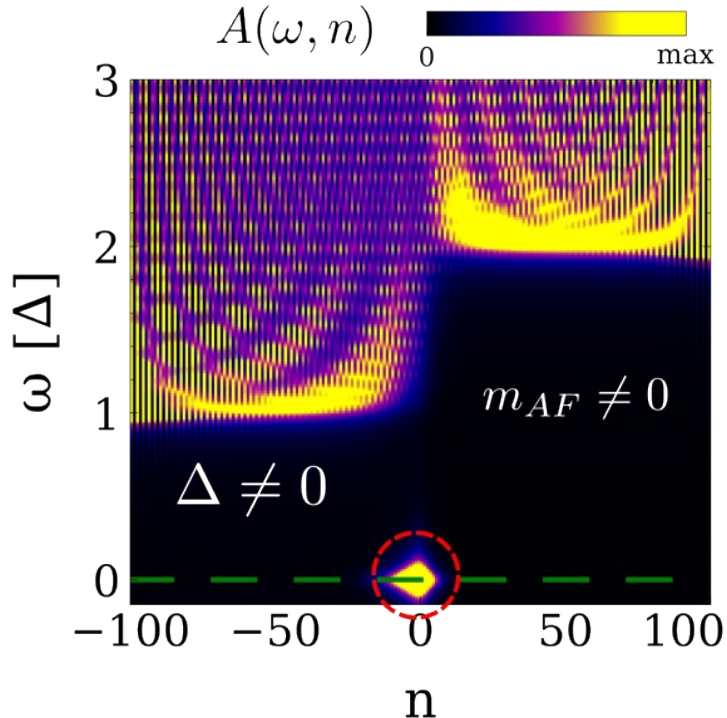


**Solitonic in-gap modes appear between the superconductor and the quantum antiferromagnet**



# Single-particle interfacial zero modes

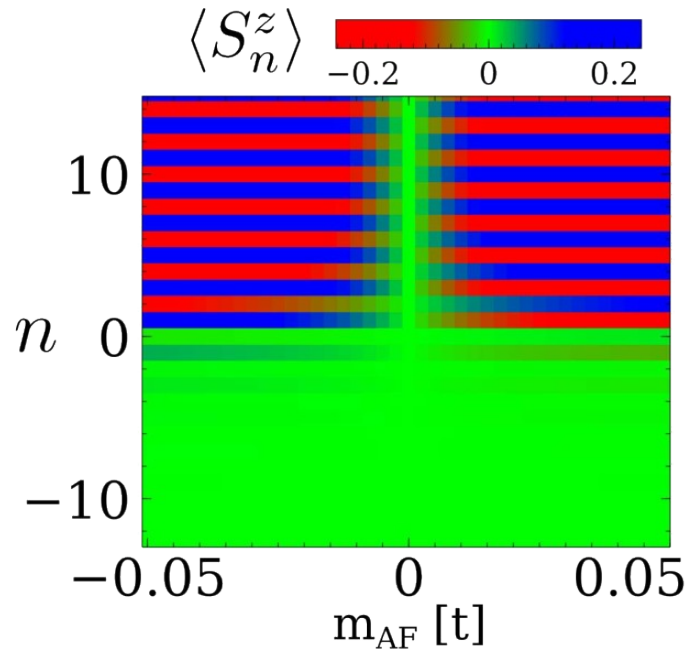
$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{SC}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{AF}}$  Single particle limit (stagger magnetization and no interactions)



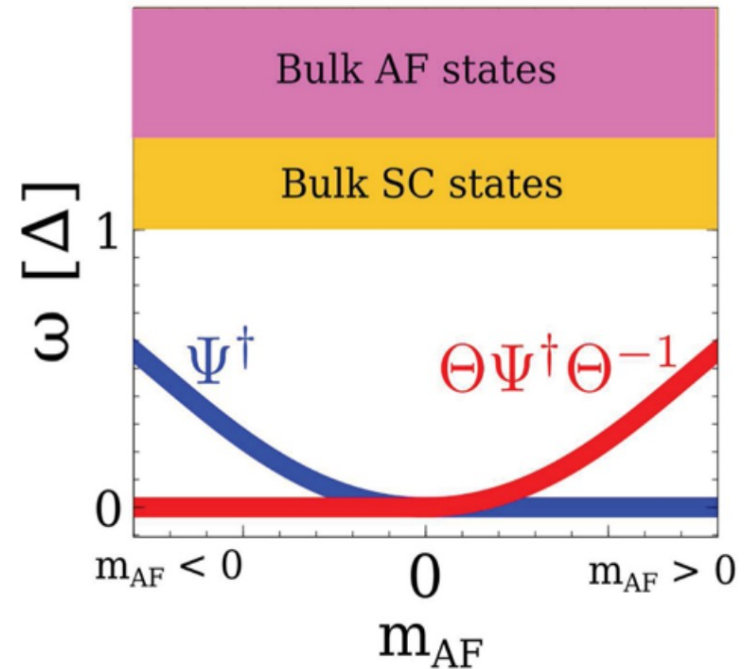
How are these modes connected to the many-body in-gap mode from before?

# From many-body to the single-particle symmetry broken state

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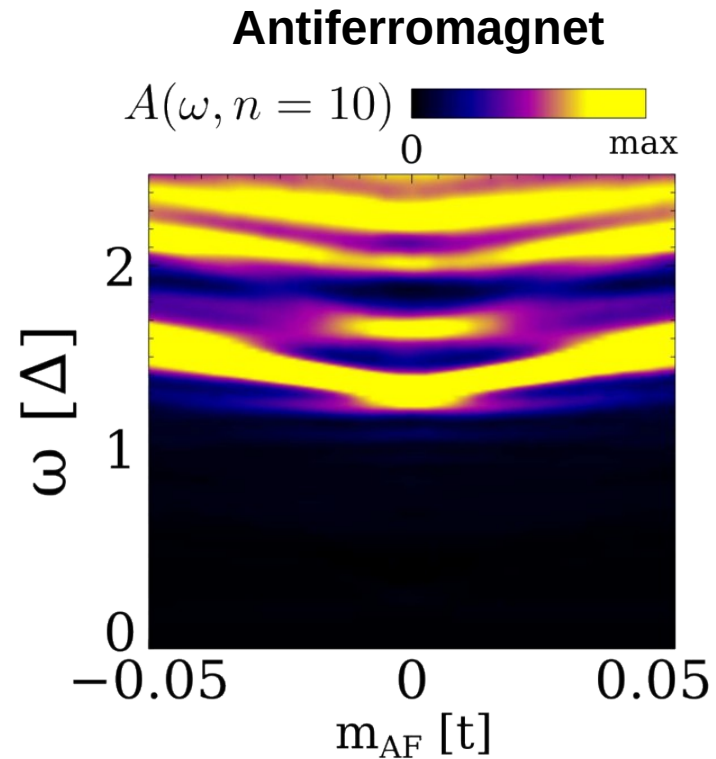
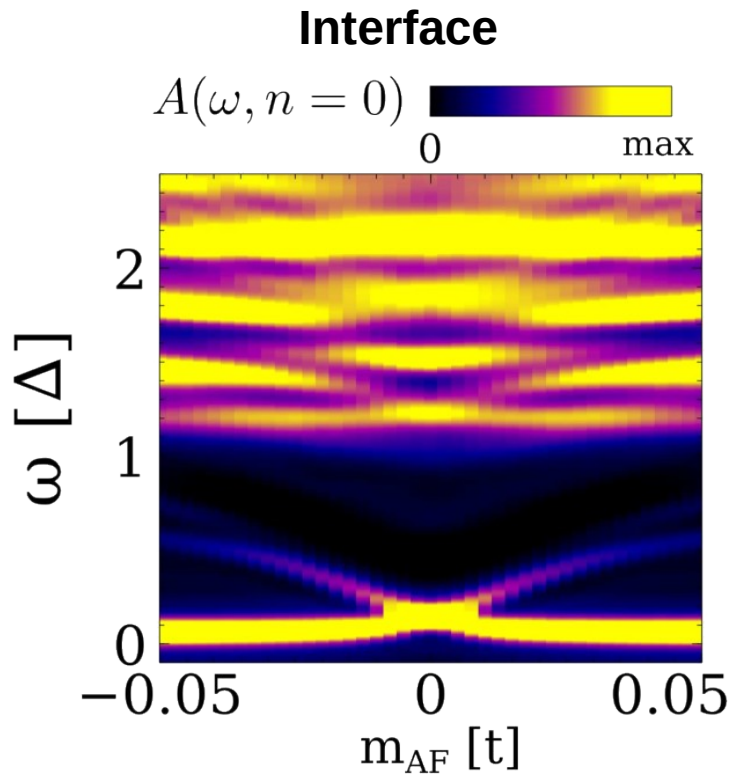


Sketch of the charge excitations



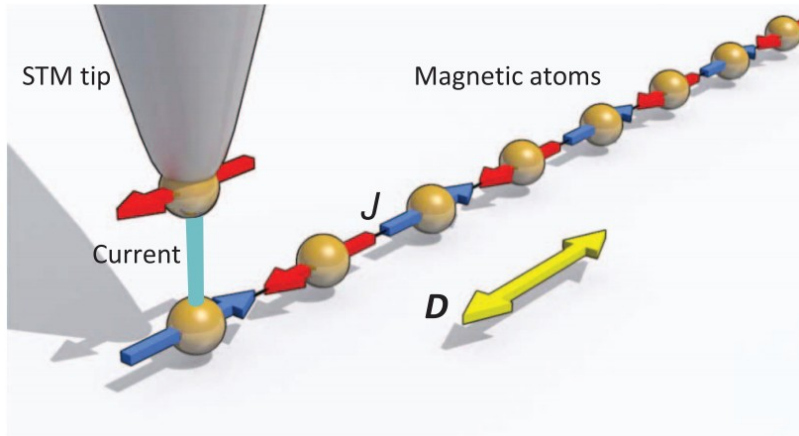
Switching on a magnetization pushes the interacting model to the symmetry broken state

# From many-body to symmetry broken

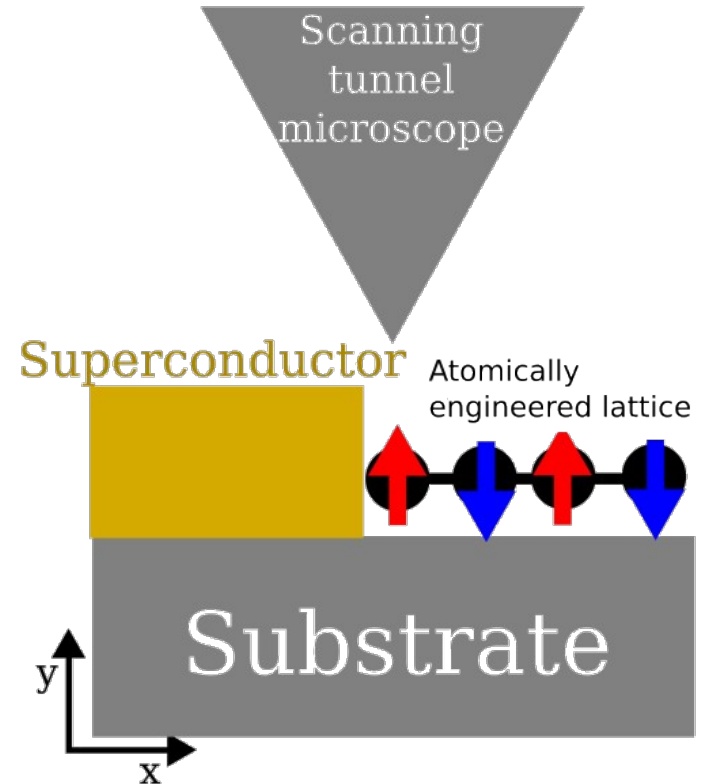


**The solitonic single-particle mode transforms into the many-body in-gap mode**

# Experimental realization with atomically engineered lattices



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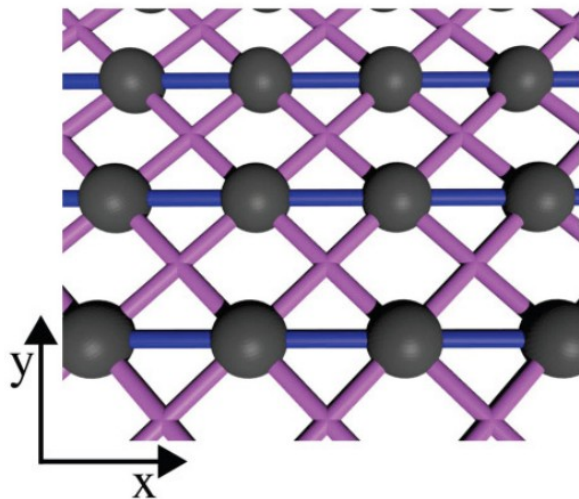




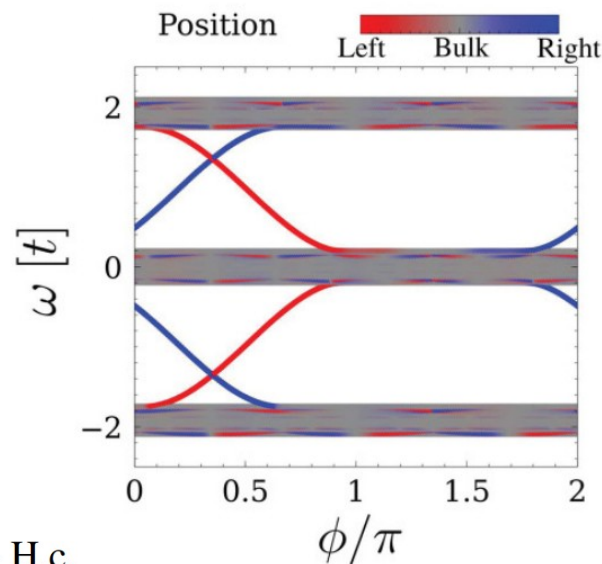
Coulomb modulated topology

# Quasiperiodic topology

Quantum Hall in a  
two-dimensional lattice



Spectrum of the associated  
quasiperiodic Hamiltonian



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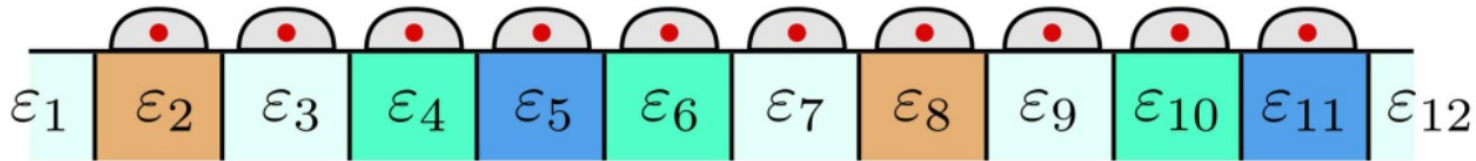
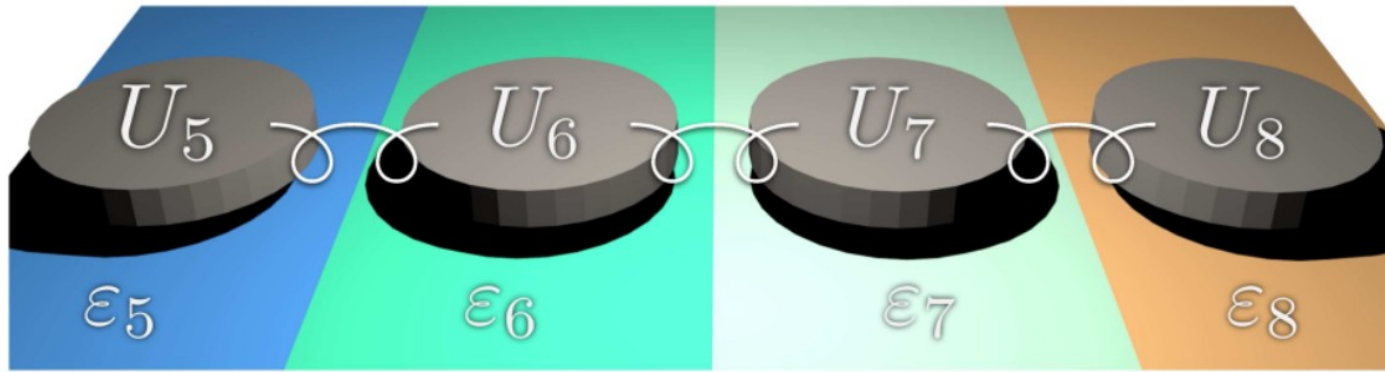
$$H = t \sum_N [1 + \lambda \cos(\alpha N + \phi)] c_N^\dagger c_{N+1} + \text{H.c.}$$

**1D quasiperiodic models can be mapped to 2D quantum Hall states**

*This mapping is only valid in the non-interacting limit*

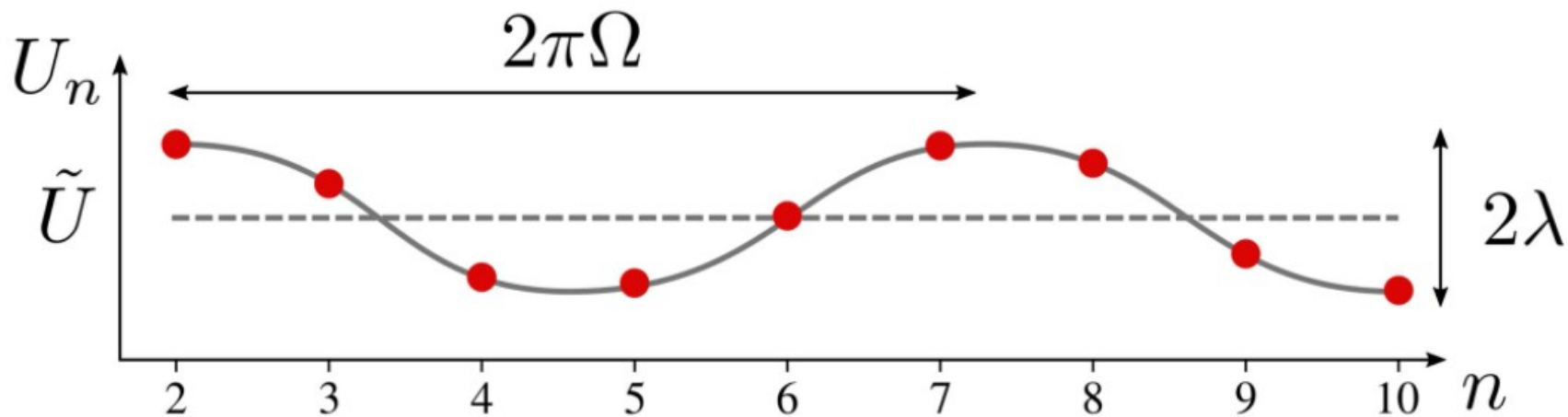
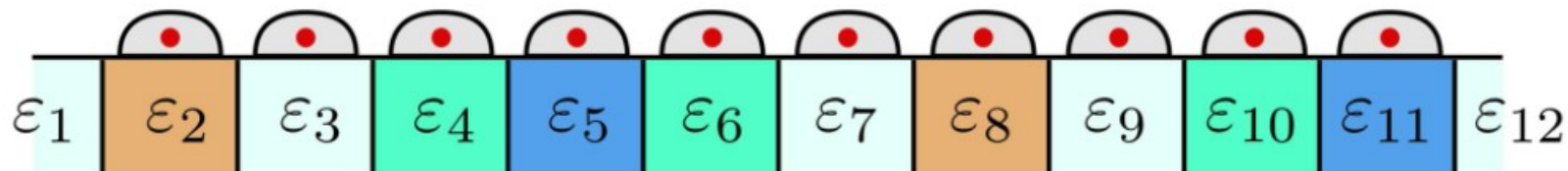
# Many-body quasiperiodic interactions

Substrate engineering allow creating spatially dependent interactions



$$H = \sum_{n,s} t c_{n,s}^\dagger c_{n+1,s} + \sum_n U_n c_{n,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{n,\uparrow} c_{n,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{n,\downarrow} + h.c. \quad U_n = \tilde{U}[1 + \lambda \cos(\Omega n + \phi)]$$

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# Single particle Coulomb-engineered topology

*Engineered interacting model*

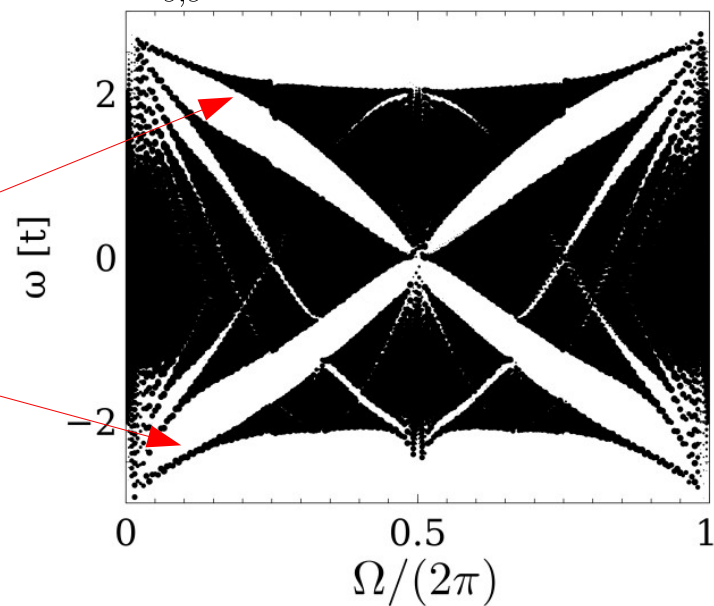
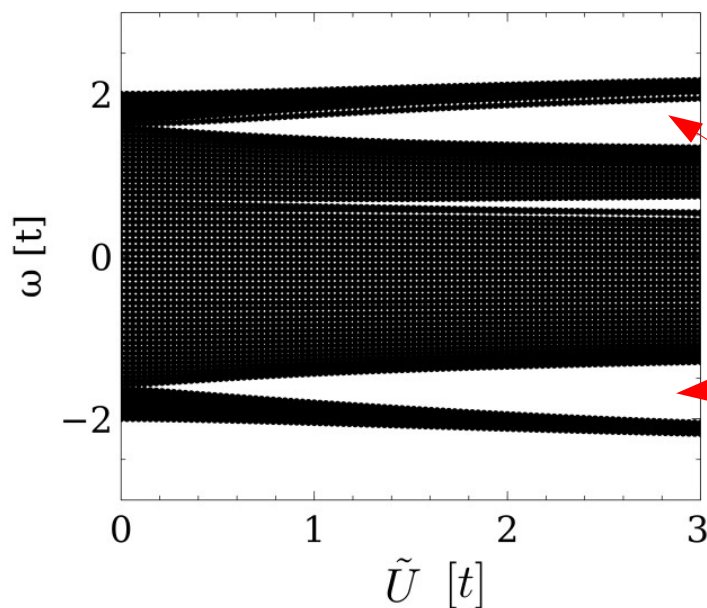
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*Modulated interactions*

$$U_n = \tilde{U} [1 + \lambda \cos(\Omega n + \phi)]$$

*Solved at the Hartree-Fock level*

$$\sum_{s,s'} \langle \vec{\sigma}_{s,s'} c_{n,s}^\dagger c_{n,s'} \rangle = 0$$



# Single particle Coulomb-engineered topology

*Engineered interacting model*

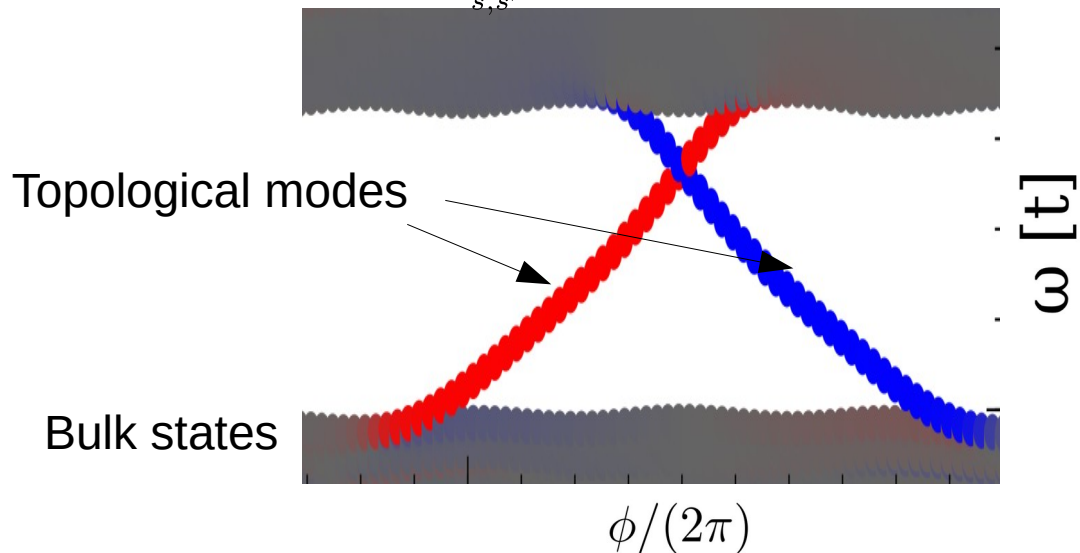
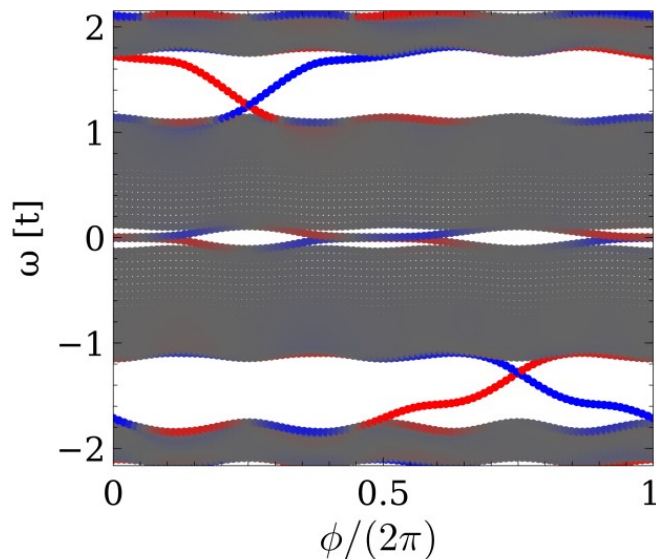
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Modulated local interactions create topological modes

# Many-body topology

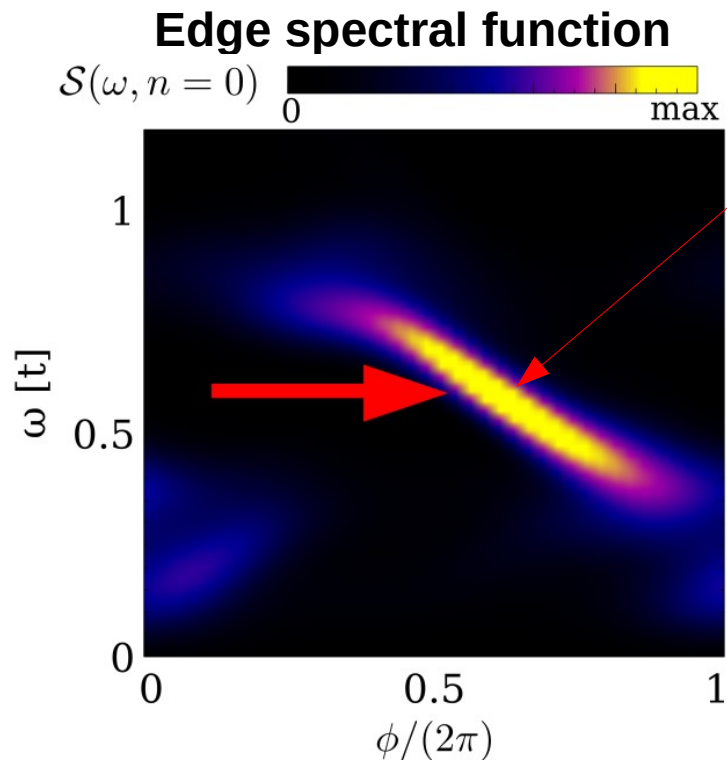
Let us focus in an interacting Hamiltonian with a trivial mean-field Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{n,s} t c_{n,s}^{\dagger} c_{n+1,s} + \sum_n U_n \left( c_{n,\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{n,\uparrow} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( c_{n,\downarrow}^{\dagger} c_{n,\downarrow} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + h.c.$$

In the many-body setting, we will look at the dynamical spin excitation spectra

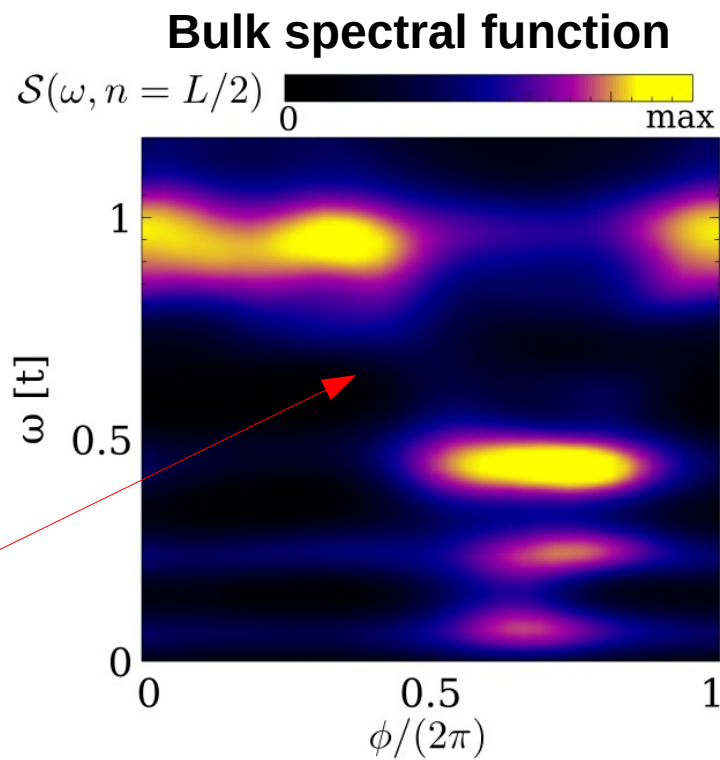
$$\mathcal{S}(\omega, n) = \langle GS | S_n^z \delta(\omega - H + E_{GS}) S_n^z | GS \rangle$$

# Many-body topological modes



Topological  
edge mode

Topological  
bulk gap

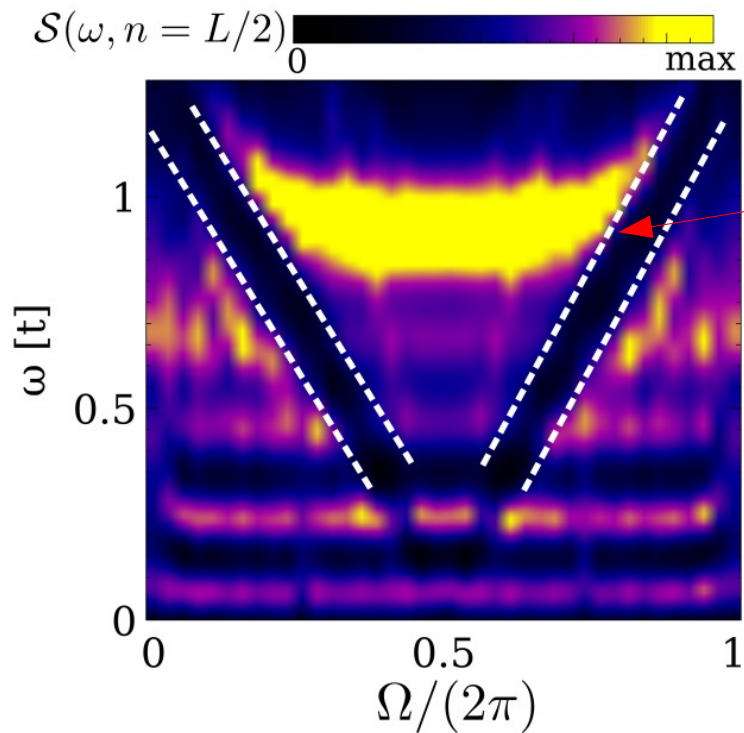


Topological modes protected by a many-body quasiperiodic Chern invariant

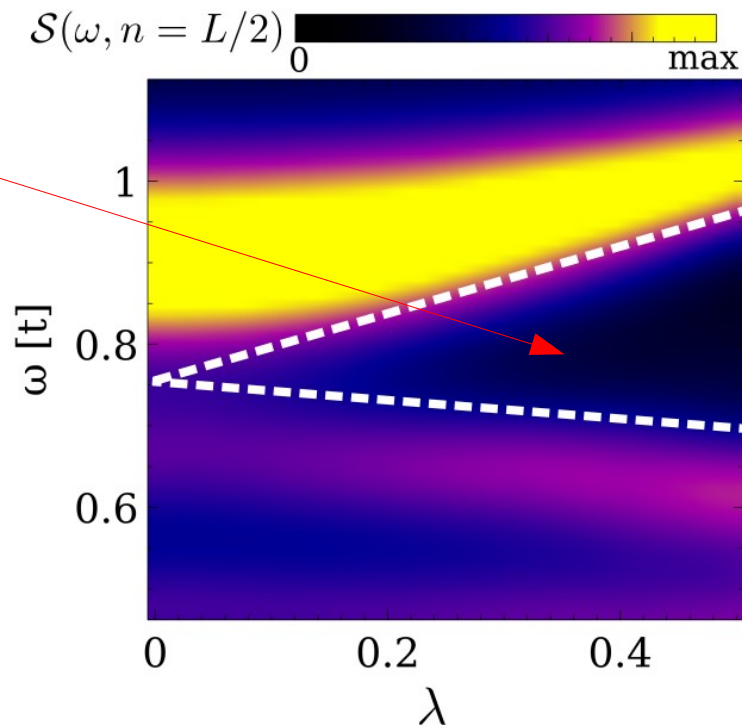


# Many-body topological gaps

**Bulk spectral function**



**Bulk spectral function**



Topological  
bulk gap

Topological gaps appear for generic modulation frequencies and strengths

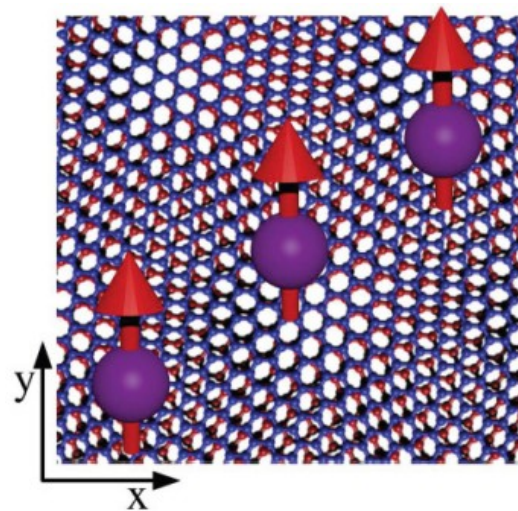


# Quasiperiodic spinon topology

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*Many-body spin Hamiltonians can be intrinsically quasiperiodic*

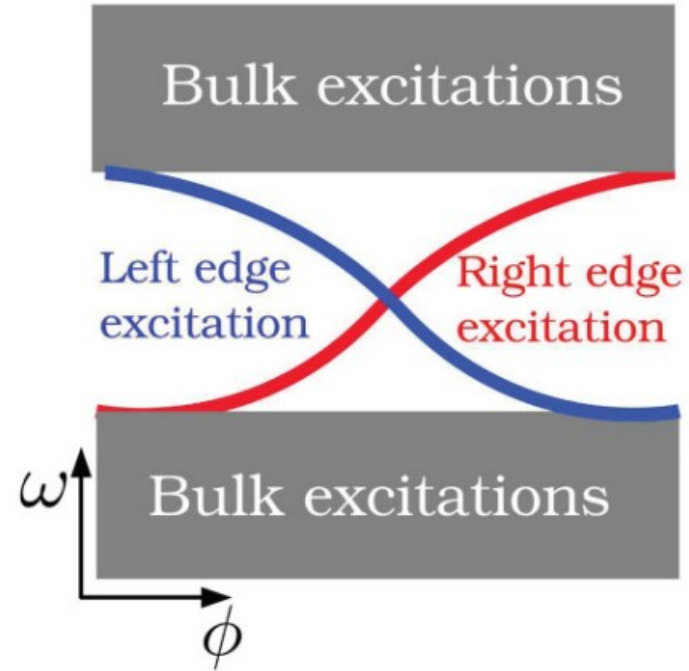
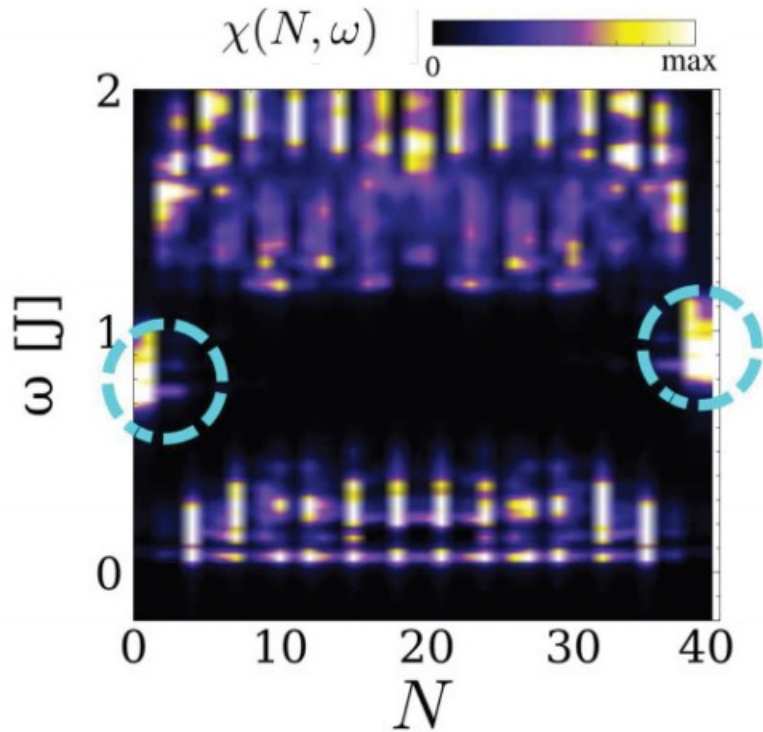
For example, an atomic chain on top of a moire system



We will consider the generalized quasiperiodic Heisenberg model

$$H = J \sum_N [1 + \lambda \cos(\alpha N + \phi)] \vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{S}_{N+1} \quad \text{with} \quad S = 1/2, 1, 3/2, 2$$

# Topological quasiperiodic spinon for $S=1/2$

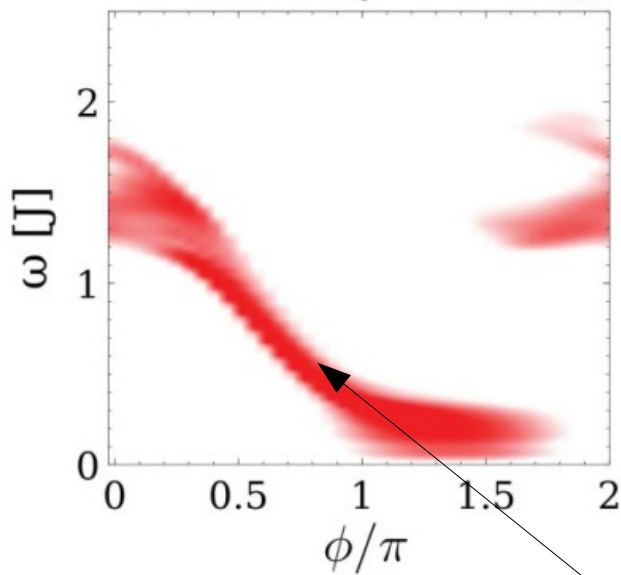


*Quasiperiodic many-body interactions create topological spinon modes*

# Topological quasiperiodic spinons for $S=1/2$

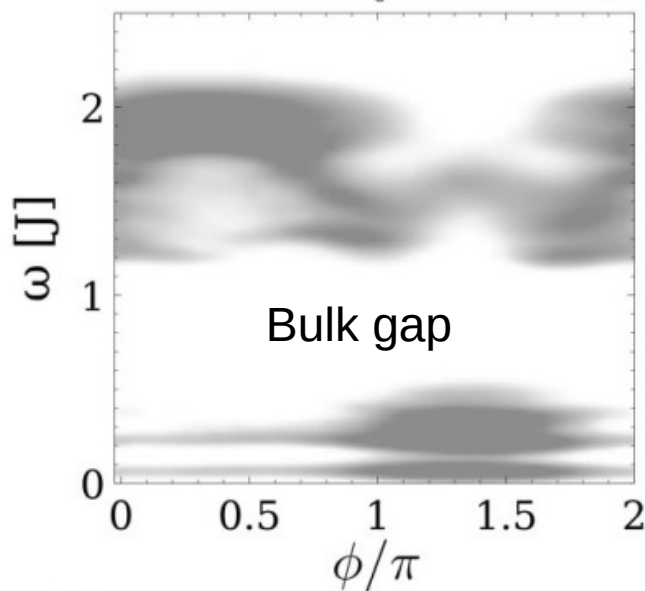
**Left edge**

$\chi(0, \omega)$  0 max



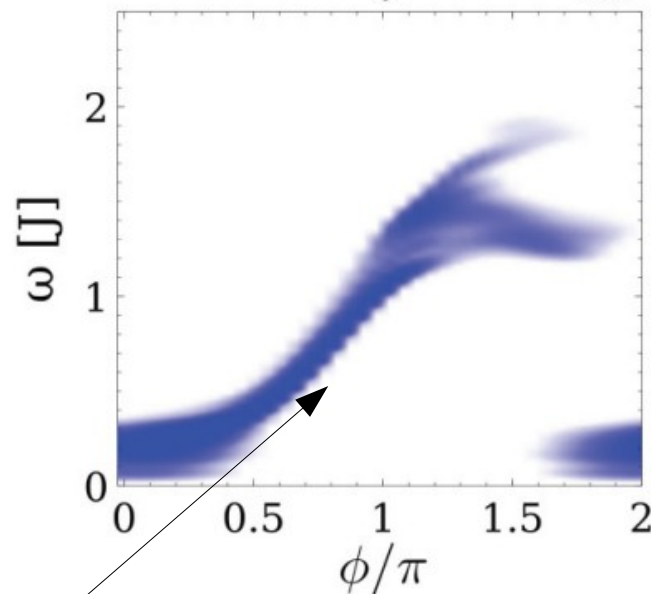
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$\chi(L/2, \omega)$  0 max



**Right edge**

$\chi(L-1, \omega)$  0 max

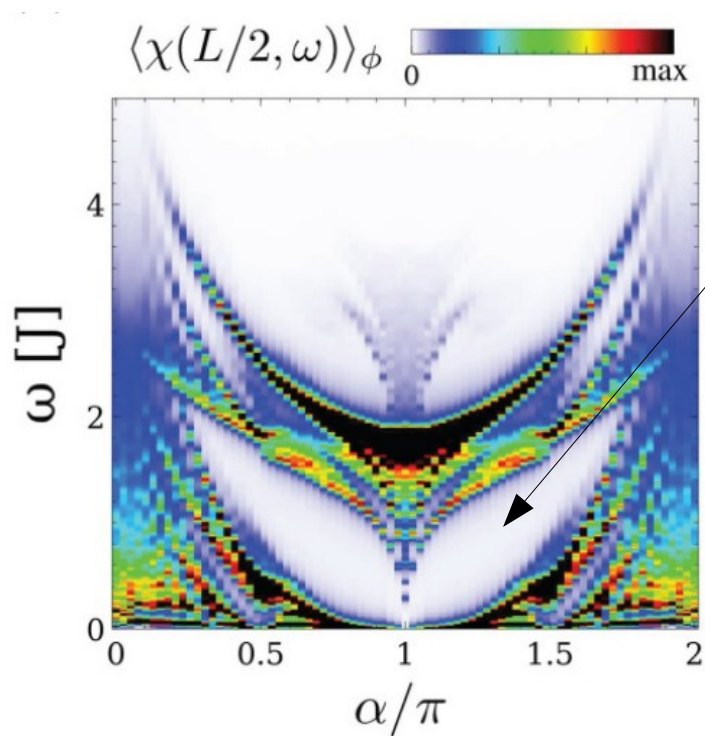


$$H = J \sum_N [1 + \lambda \cos(\alpha N + \phi)] \vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{S}_{N+1}$$

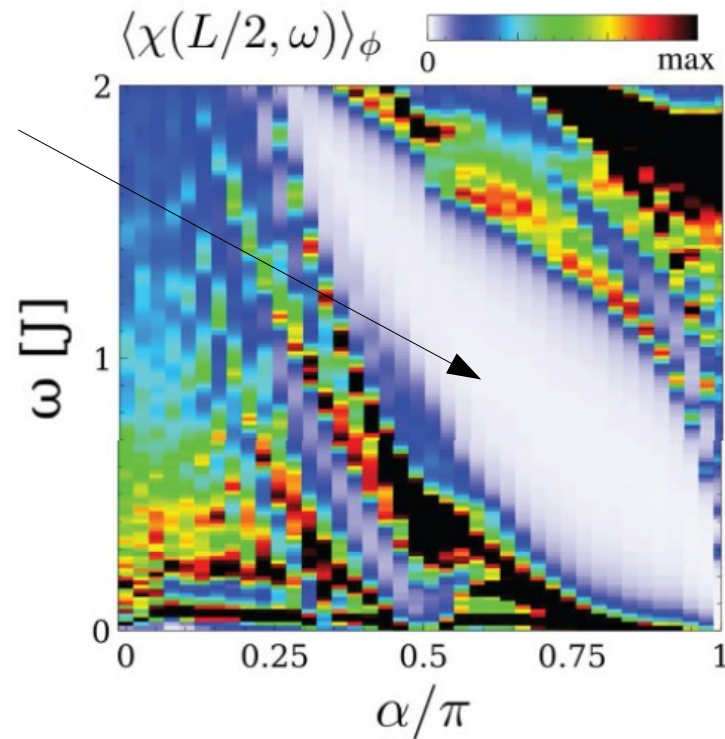
Topological spinon pumping modes



# Spinon Hofstadter spectra $S=1/2$



Topological gap

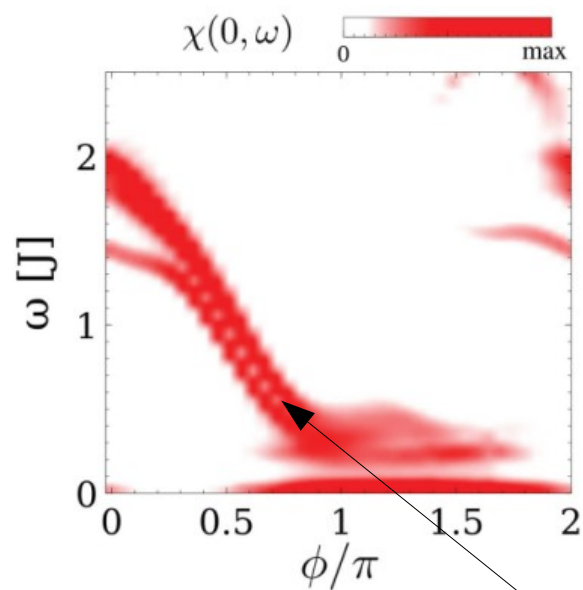


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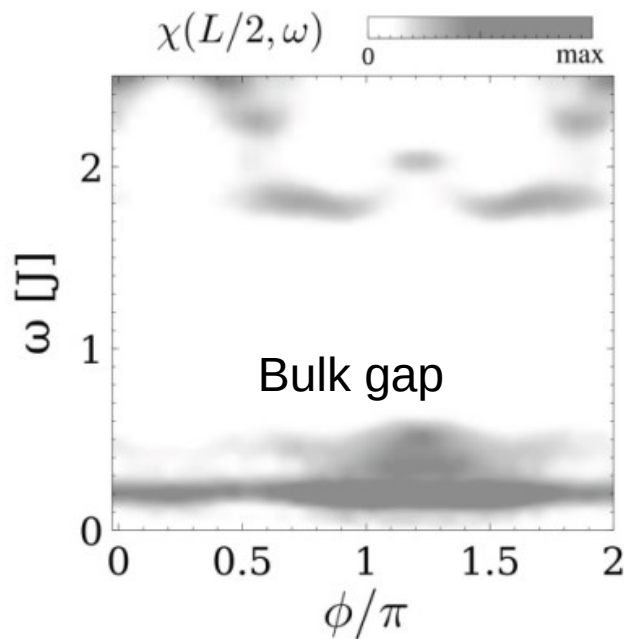
**Topological gaps appear for arbitrary quasiperiodicity**

# Topological quasiperiodic spinons for $S=1$

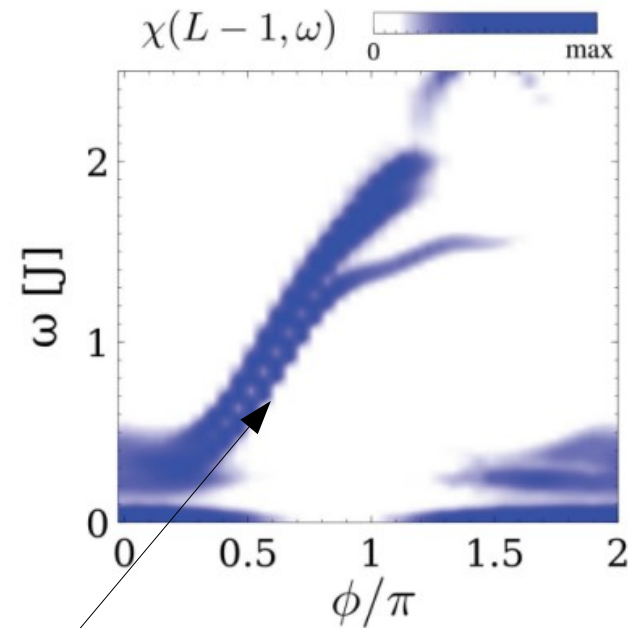
**Left edge**



**Bulk**



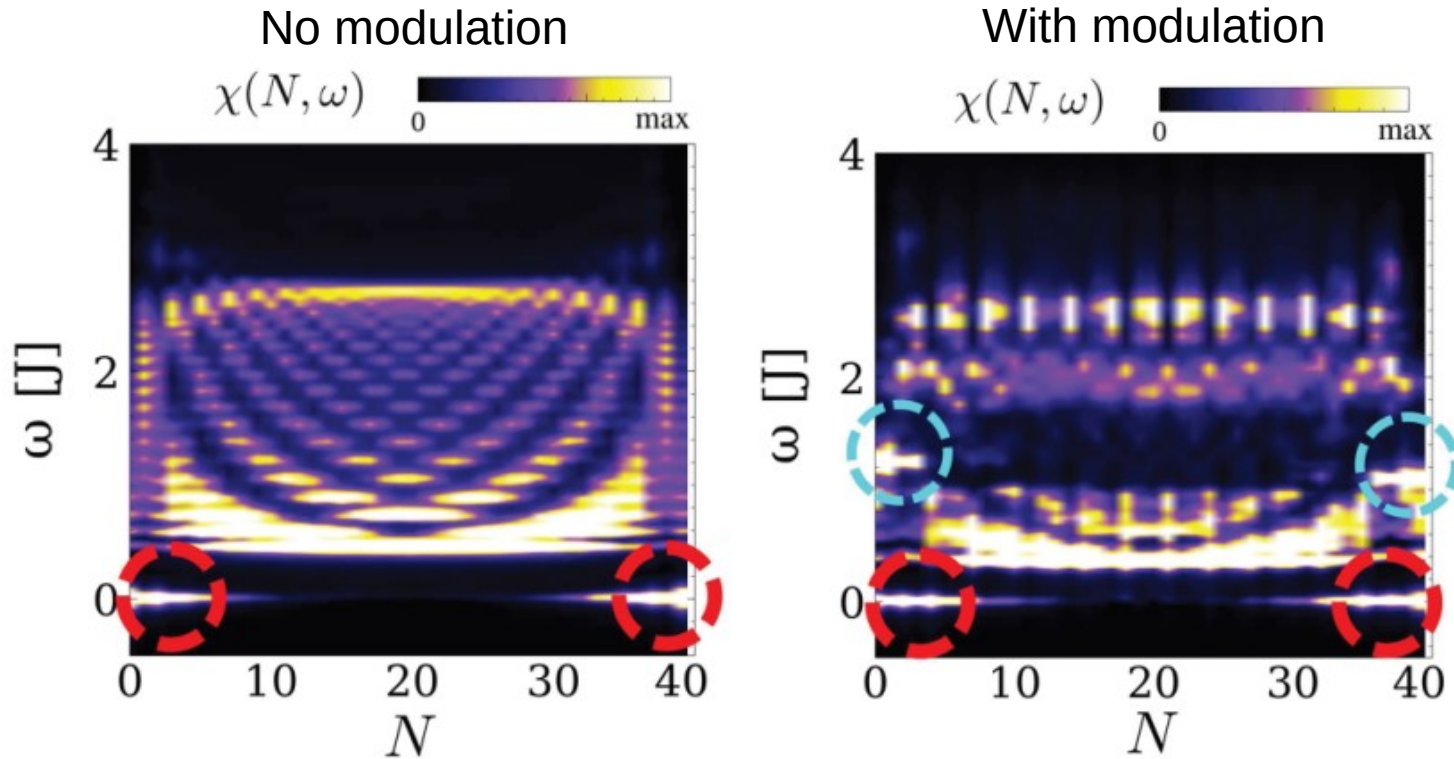
**Right edge**



$$H = J \sum_N [1 + \lambda \cos(\alpha N + \phi)] \vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{S}_{N+1}$$

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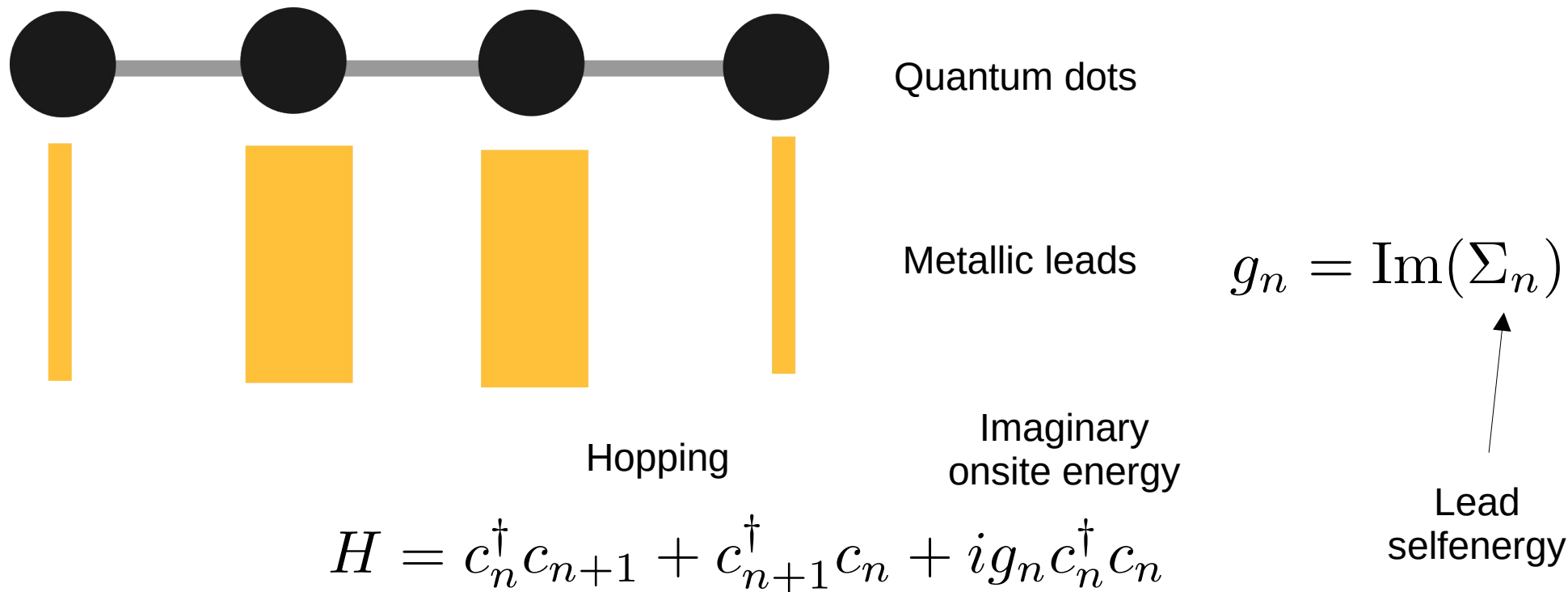
# Topological quasiperiodic spinons for $S=1$



*Quasiperiodicity creates additional topological modes away from  $E=0$*

# Non-Hermitian topological many-body excitations

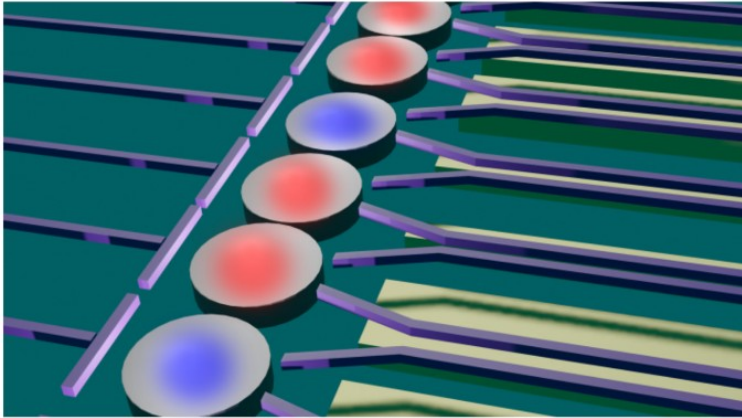
# Non-Hermiticity in quantum dots



Coupling to metallic leads generates non-Hermitian terms in an effective Hamiltonian



# Topological excitations driven by modulated losses

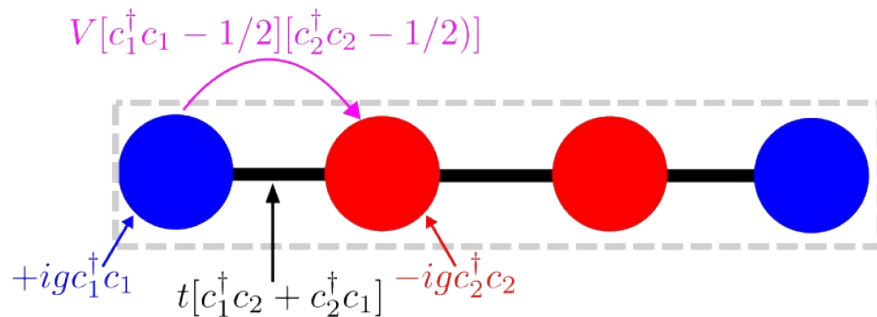


Bloch Hamiltonian

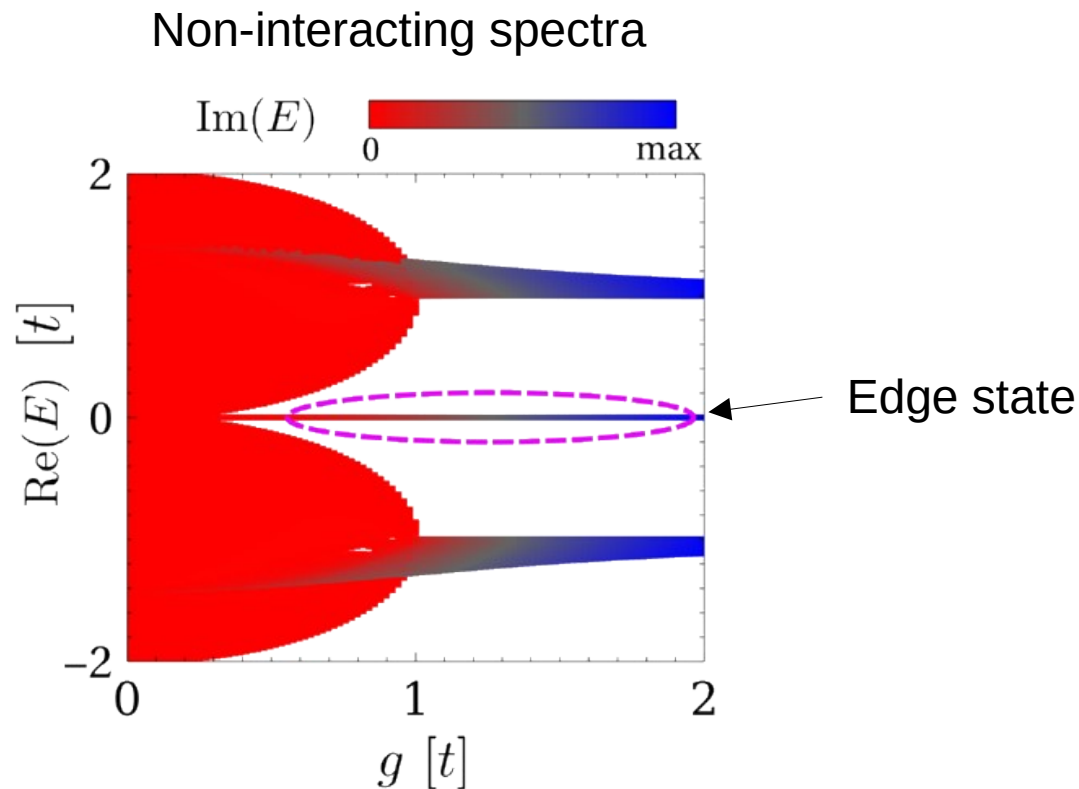
$$H_k = \begin{pmatrix} ig_1 & t & 0 & te^{-ik} \\ t & ig_2 & t & 0 \\ 0 & t & ig_3 & t \\ te^{ik} & 0 & t & ig_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Losses coming from a self-energy

$$g_n = \text{Im}(\Sigma_n)$$



# Edge mode driven by losses



Does this topological mode survive the presence of many-body interactions?

# Looking for a non-Hermitian edge mode

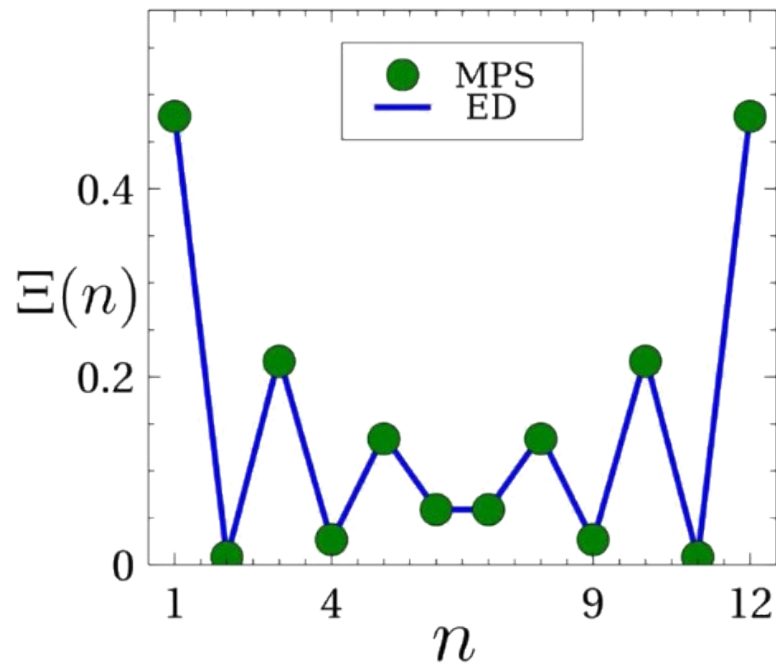
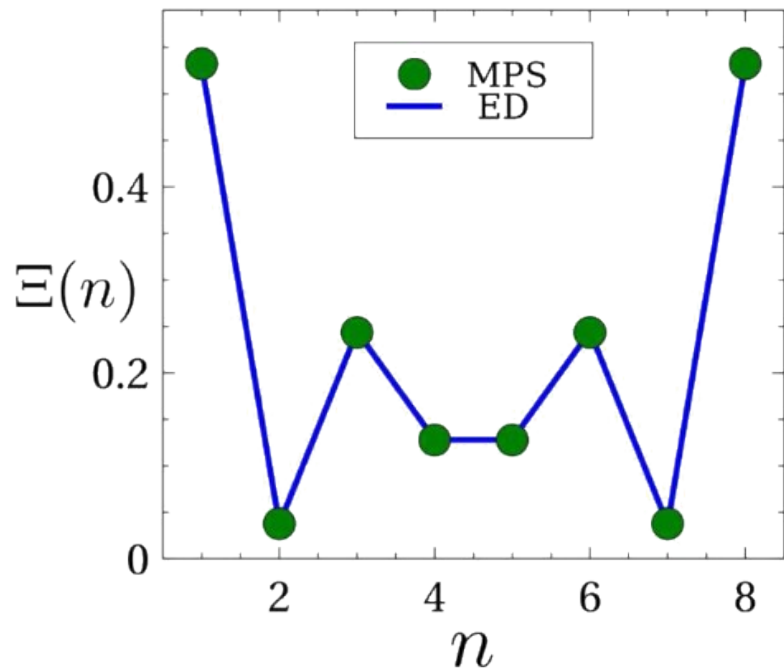
- As the Hamiltonian is non-Hermitian, DMRG cannot be used
- The ground state and excited is obtained using a non-Hermitian Krylov-Arnoldi iterative solver with matrix-product states
- The edge modes are imaged by the correlator

$$\Xi(n) = \sum_i |\langle \Psi_i | c_n | \Omega \rangle|^2.$$

Degenerate energy manifold

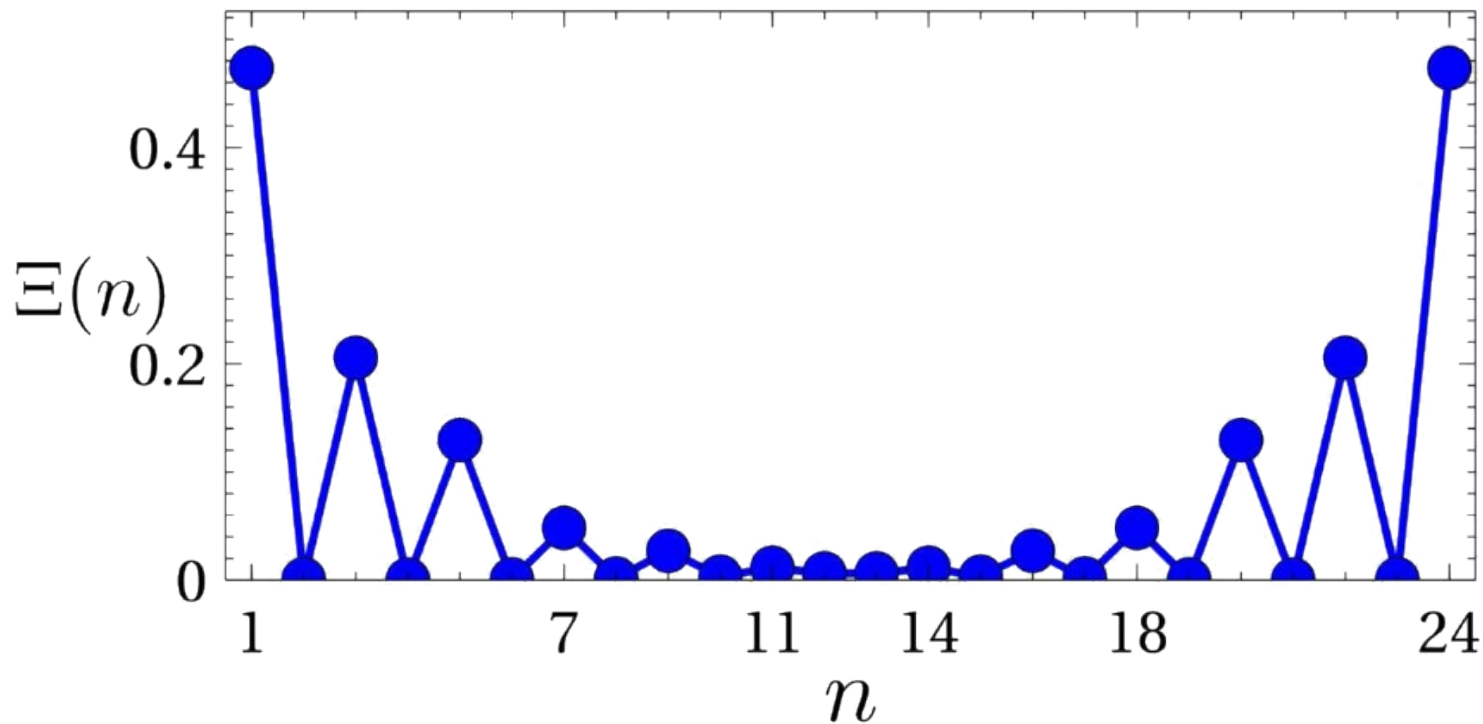
Ground state

# Non-Hermitian edge modes



In short chains two overlapping edge modes appear in the correlator

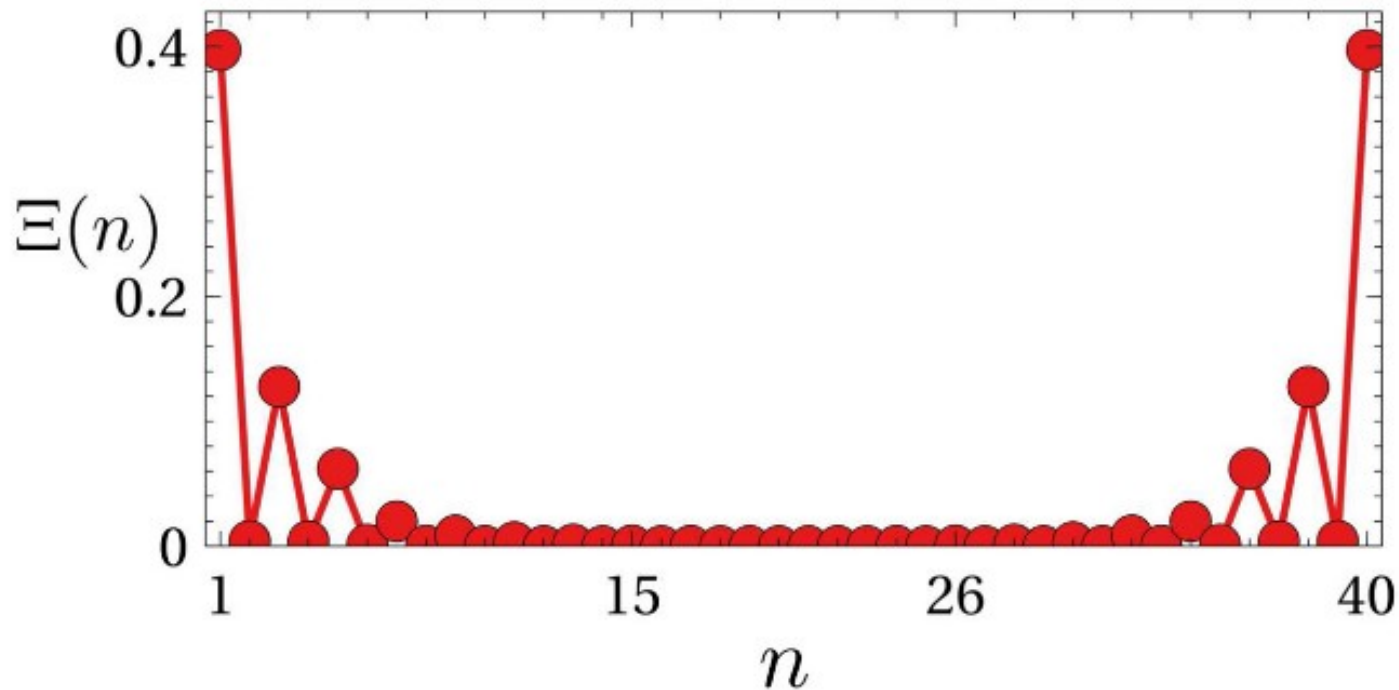
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In long chains solved with MPS, the non-Hermitian mode becomes well localized at the edge



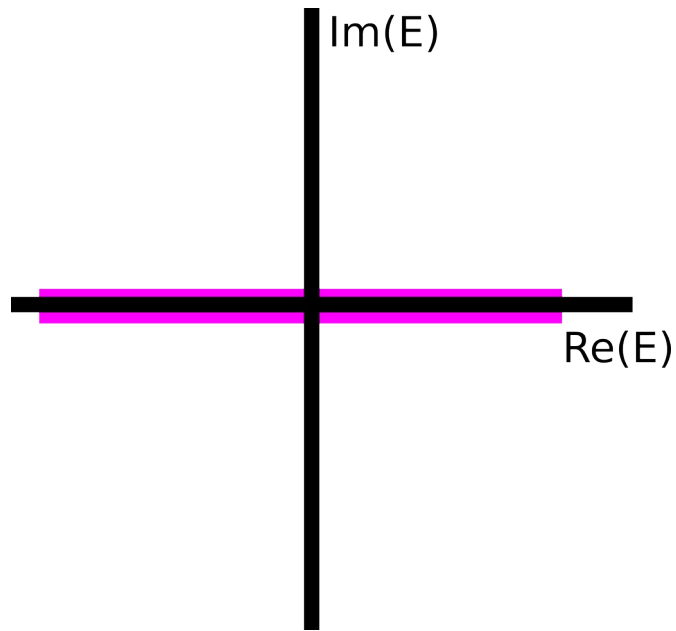
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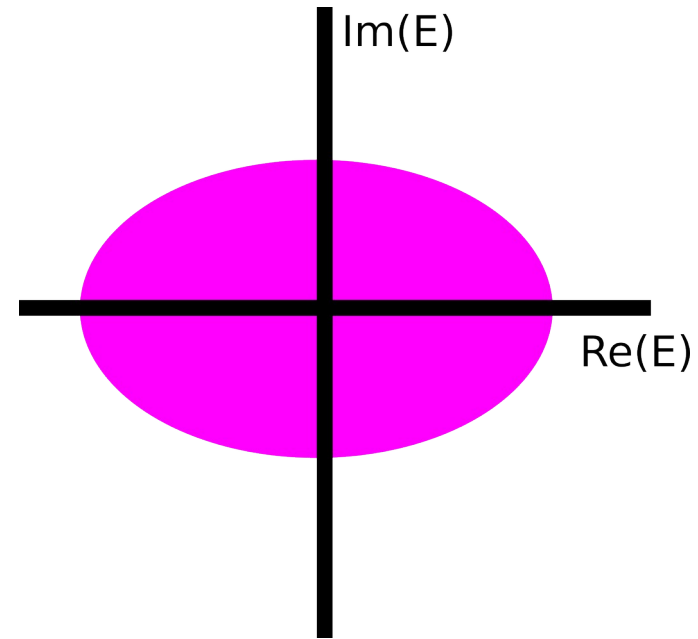
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# Dynamical correlators in non-Hermitian models

In the Hermitian case



In the non-Hermitian case



In the non-Hermitian case, dynamical correlators are defined in the complex energy plane

# Dynamical correlator of a many-body non-Hermitian model

In a non-Hermitian model, the dynamical correlator cannot be computed with a usual Kernel polynomial expansion

$$S(\omega, l) = \left\langle \text{GS}_L \left| c_l \delta^2 (\omega + E_{\text{GS}} - H) c_l^\dagger \right| \text{GS}_R \right\rangle + \left\langle \text{GS}_L \left| c_l^\dagger \delta^2 (\omega + E_{\text{GS}} - H) c_l \right| \text{GS}_R \right\rangle$$

$$\delta^2(\omega - H) = \sum_n \delta(\Re(\omega - E_n)) \delta(\Im(\omega - E_n)) |\Psi_{R,n}\rangle \langle \Psi_{L,n}|$$

We define a Hermitrized Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{pmatrix} & \omega - H \\ \omega^* - H^\dagger & \end{pmatrix}$$

And perform a KPM expansion of

$$f(\omega) = \langle \psi_L | \delta^2(\omega - H) | \psi_R \rangle$$

$$f(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \partial_{\omega^*} G(E=0)$$

$$G(E) = \langle L | (E - \mathcal{H})^{-1} | R \rangle$$

# Dynamical correlator of a topological non-Hermitian model

We take the following non-Hermitian model

$$\tilde{H} = \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \left( \frac{J + \gamma}{2} c_l^\dagger c_{l+1} + \frac{J - \gamma}{2} c_{l+1}^\dagger c_l \right) \quad \text{Drives skin effect}$$

$$+ J_z \left( c_l^\dagger c_l - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( c_{l+1}^\dagger c_{l+1} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \sum_{l=1}^L i h_l^z \left( c_l^\dagger c_l - \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

Full dynamical correlator

Drives topology

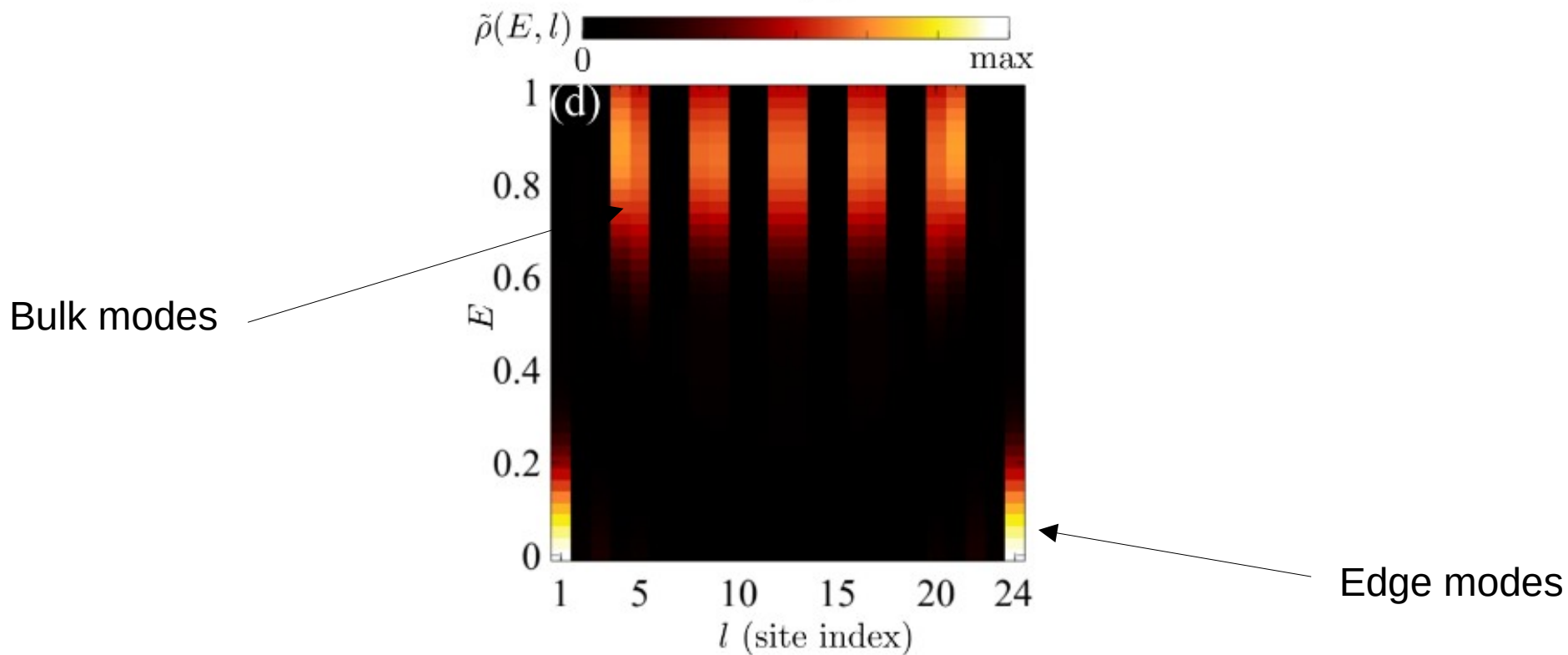
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Integrated in the imaginary axis

(equivalent to the Hermitian one)

$$\tilde{\rho}(E \in \mathbb{R}, l) = \left| \int \mathcal{S}(E + iy, l) dy \right|$$

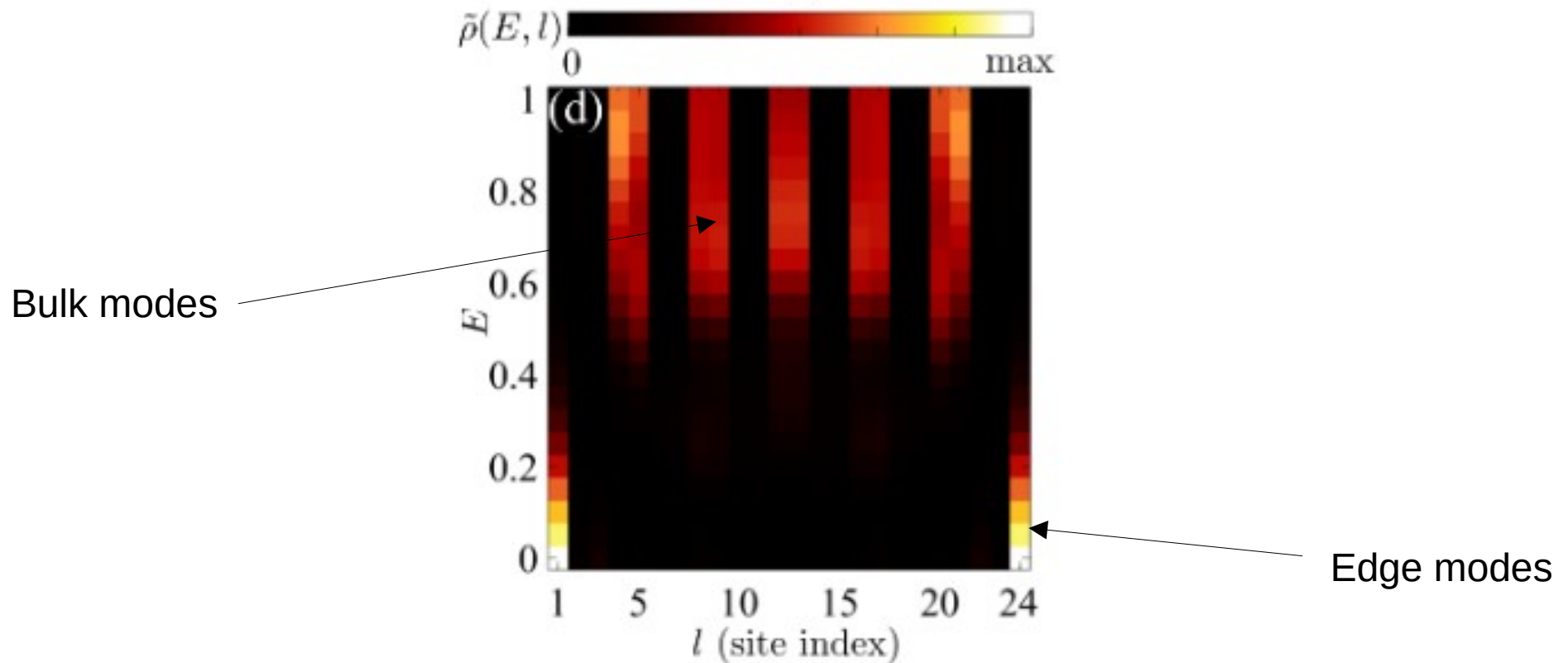
# Non-Hermitian topological modes without skin effect



The non-Hermitian dynamical correlator allows visualizing the topological modes



# Non-Hermitian topological modes with skin effect



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Open-source software for  
interacting and topological matter

# Open-source software for tensor-network kernel polynomial algorithms

## dmrgpy

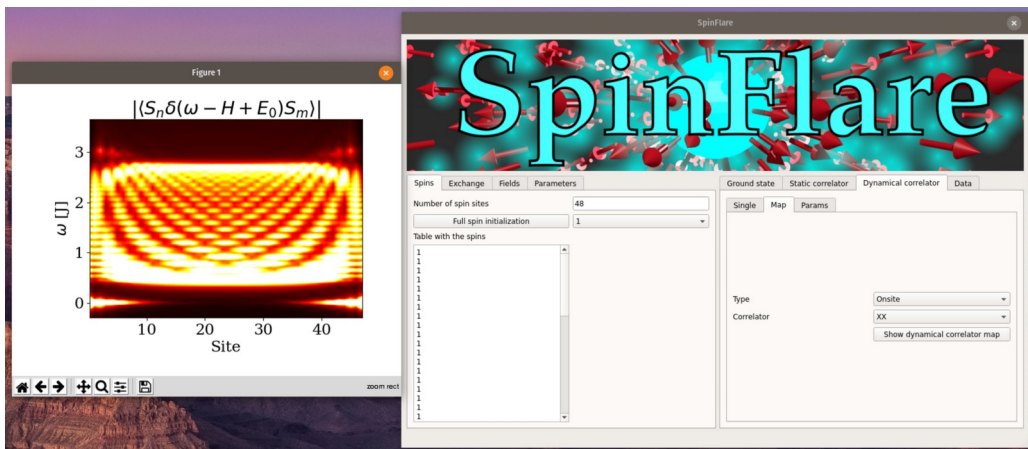
<https://github.com/joselado/dmrgpy>

```
from dmrgpy import spinchain
spins = ["S=1" for i in range(40)] # S=1 chain
sc = spinchain.Spin_Chain(spins) # create spin chain object
h = 0 # initialize Hamiltonian
for i in range(len(spins)-1):
    h = h + sc.Sx[i]*sc.Sx[i+1]
    h = h + sc.Sy[i]*sc.Sy[i+1]
    h = h + sc.Sz[i]*sc.Sz[i+1]
sc.set_hamiltonian(h)
sc.get_dynamical_correlator(name=(sc.Sz[0], sc.Sz[0]))
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*Generic Python library for tensor-network kernel polynomial algorithms for spins, fermions, parafermions*

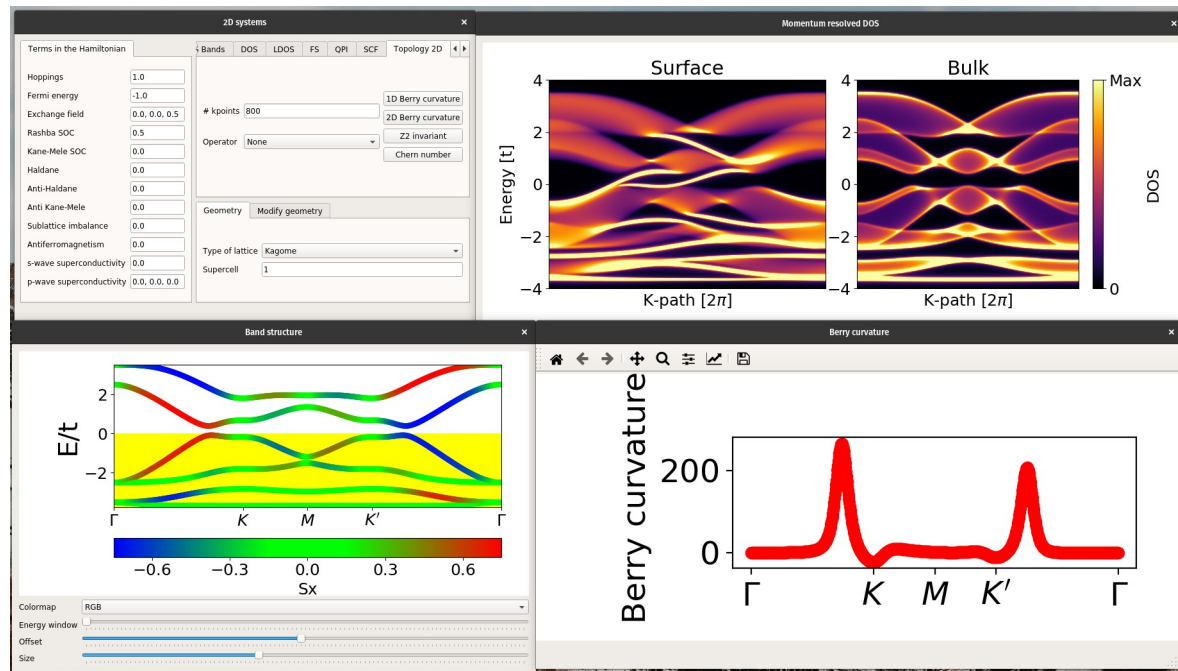
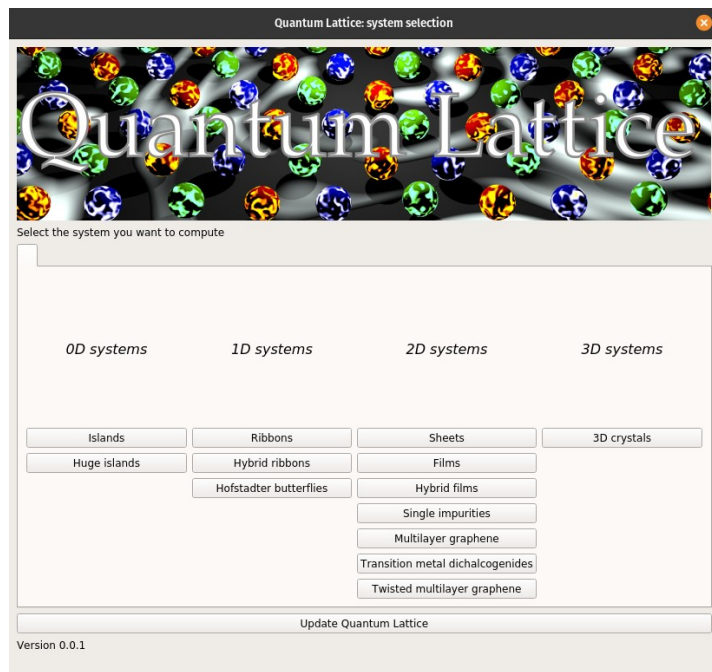
## spinflare

<https://github.com/joselado/spinflare>



*User friendly interface to compute excitations in quantum Heisenberg models*

# Quantum Lattice: A user interface to compute electronic properties



**Quantum Lattice:** open source interactive interface for tight binding modeling

<https://github.com/joselado/quantum-lattice>

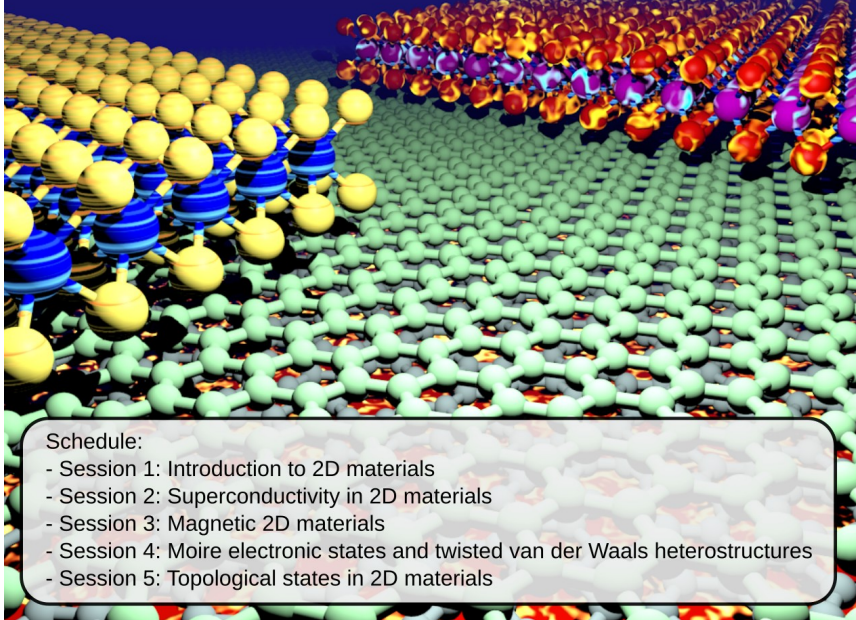


# Topological and correlated matter in 2D materials school

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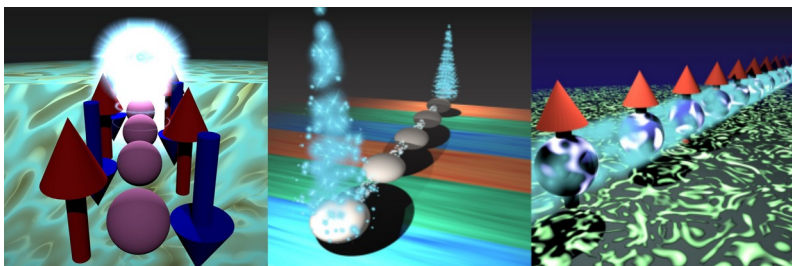
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