

Exceptional topological superconductors and their Floquet analog

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1. Introduction and motivation

- ▶ Topological (higher-order) systems and non-Hermitian topology
- ▶ Periodic dynamics and its consequences

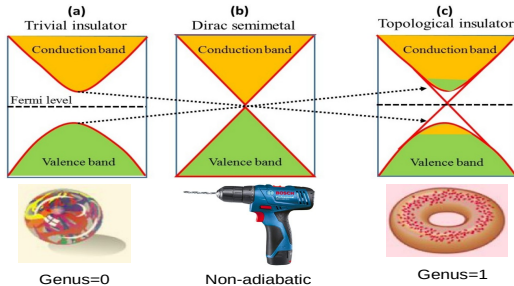
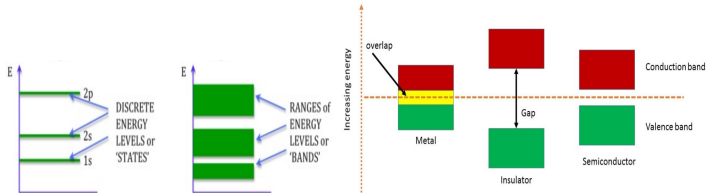
2. Question and its answer

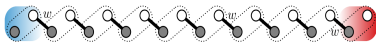
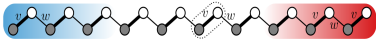
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3. Conclusions and experimental relevance

Understanding the basic band structure

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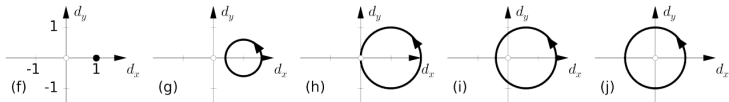
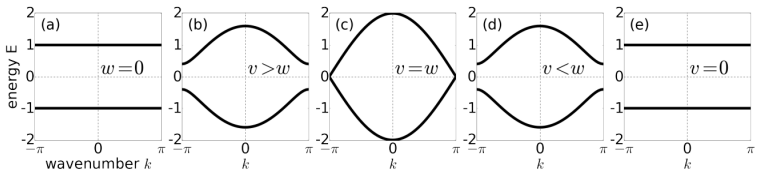


SSH Hamiltonian

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & v + we^{ik} \\ v + we^{-ik} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= d_x \sigma_x + d_y \sigma_y$$

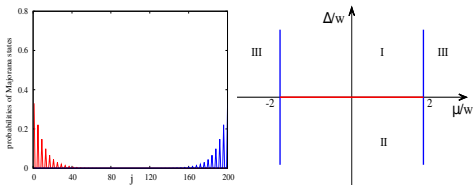
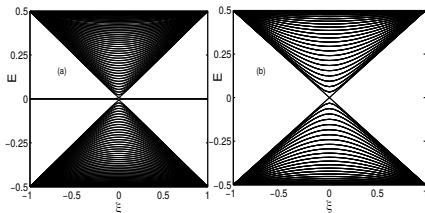
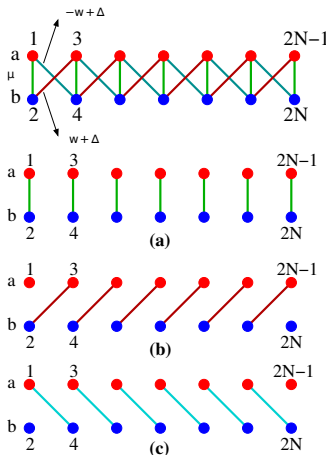
with $d_x = v + w \cos k$, $d_y = w \sin k$



Topological superconductor in 1D: p -wave spinless Majorana chain

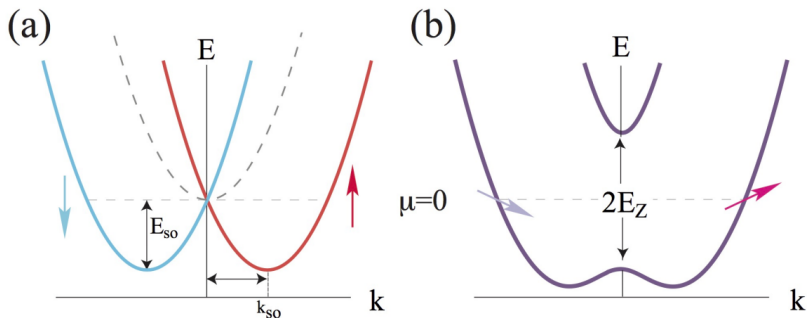
Physics-Uspekhi 44, 131 (2001)

p -wave Hamiltonian:
$$H = \frac{i}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} [(-w + \Delta)a_j b_{j+1} + (w + \Delta)b_j a_{j+1}] - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N \mu a_j b_j$$



Proximity induced topological superconductor PRL 100, 096407 (2008),

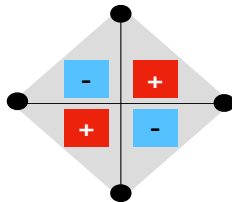
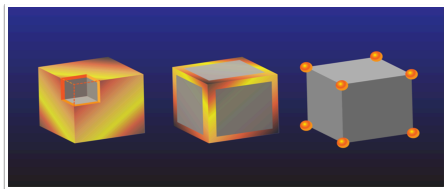
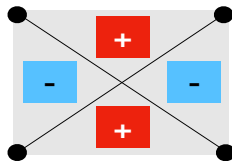
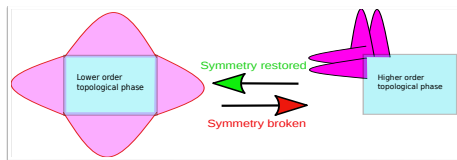
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- ▶ **p -wave Kitaev chain**
- ▶ Rashba nanowire ($k_x^2 + k_x \sigma_y$) + s -wave proximed SC + magnetic field ($E_z \sigma_x$)
 \Rightarrow emergent p -wave TSC in 1D
- ▶ Surface of TI + proximity induced s -wave SC + magnetic field \Rightarrow chiral TSC in 2D
- ▶ Helical spin chain + proximity induced s -wave SC \Rightarrow emergent p -wave TSC

What is a higher-order topological (HOT) phase? Science 357, 61

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- ▶ n^{th} -order topological phase in d dimensions is characterized by the existence of $n_c = (d - n)$ -dimensional boundary modes
- ▶ Mutually anticommuting matrices with discrete Wilson-Dirac masses

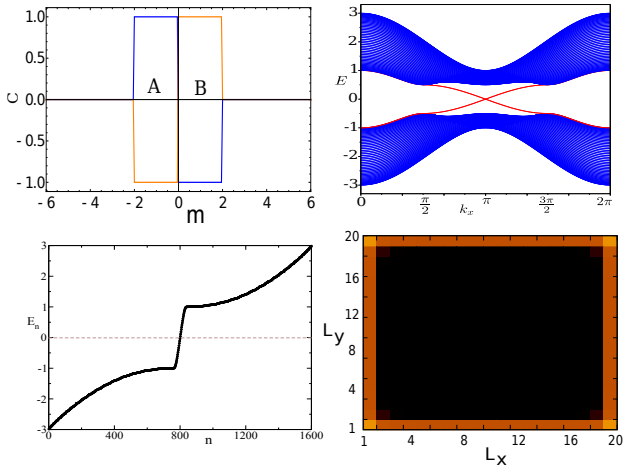
HOTI Hamiltonian: QSHI and perturbation

$$H_{\text{QSHI}} = t_1 \sum_{j=1}^2 \Gamma_j \sin k_j - t_0 \Gamma_3 \left[m - \sum_{j=1}^2 \cos k_j \right]$$

$$V = \Delta (\cos k_x - \cos k_y), \quad H_{\text{HOTI}} = H_{\text{QSHI}} + \mathbf{V} \Gamma_4$$

with $\Gamma_1 = \sigma_3 \tau_1$, $\Gamma_2 = \sigma_0 \tau_2$, $\Gamma_3 = \sigma_0 \tau_3$, $\Gamma_4 = \sigma_1 \tau_1$ and $(\boldsymbol{\tau}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \in$
(sublattice, spin)

- ▶ **Connecting to construction method:** $t_1 \sum_{j=1}^2 \Gamma_j \sin k_j$ in H_{QSHI} represent $m = 2$ terms $\rightarrow t_0 \Gamma_3 [m - \sum_{j=1}^2 \cos k_j]$ is $p = 1$ term as first-order mass yielding $n = 1$ -order regular topological phase $\rightarrow V \Gamma_4$ is $p = 2$ term as Wilson-Dirac mass yielding $n = 2$ -order HOT phase



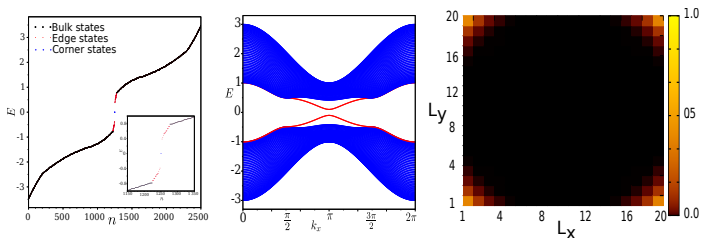
- ▶ Gap vanishes at $\mathbf{k} = (0, 0)$, (π, π) when $m = \pm 2$ and $\mathbf{k} = (\pi, 0)$, $(0, \pi)$ when $m = 0$.

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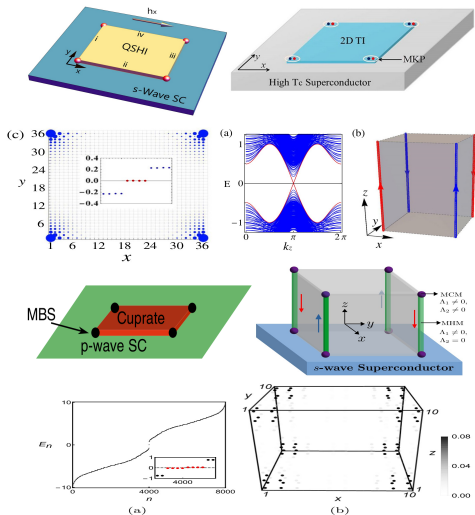
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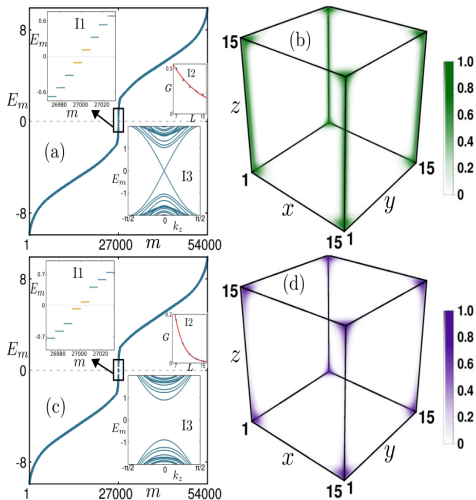


Higher-order topological superconductor (HOTSC) PRB 98, 165144

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- ▶ QSHI with SOC + proximity induced *s*-wave SC + uniaxial magnetic field \Rightarrow corner modes in 2D (TRS broken)
- ▶ QSHI with SOC + proximity induced *d*-wave SC \Rightarrow Corner modes in 2D (TRS preserved)
- ▶ Hopping + *p* + *id*-wave SC \Rightarrow Corner modes in 2D (C_4T preserved)
- ▶ 3D TI + proximity induced *s*-wave SC + magnetic field + Wilson-Dirac mass terms \Rightarrow hinge and corner modes in 3D
- ▶ Hopping + SOC + *d*₁ + *id*₂-wave SC \Rightarrow Corner modes in 3D



- ▶ **Second-order Wilsonian mass term:**
 $d_{x^2-y^2}$ SC gap term

$\Delta_1(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\tau_x$ (8 MHMs)
or $\Lambda_1(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\mu_x\sigma_y$ (16 MHMs) in the TI + s -wave proximed SC

- ▶ **Third-order Wilsonian mass term:**
 $d_{3z^2-r^2}$ SC gap term

$\Delta_2(2 \cos k_z - \cos k_x - \cos k_y)\tau_y$ (8 MCMs) or
 $\Lambda_1(2 \cos k_z - \cos k_x - \cos k_y)\mu_z$ (16 MCMs) in the TI + s -wave proximed SC

Microscopics to an effective non-Hermitian model

- ▶ Explicit presence of gain and loss terms (optical meta-materials)
- ▶ Interacting systems (electron-electron, electron-phonon) leading to quasiparticles of finite lifetime i.e., $H \rightarrow H + \Sigma$ where self-energy Σ is complex
- ▶ Quantum systems in contact with reservoir (Lindblad master equation):

$$\partial_t \rho(t) = \mathcal{L}_t \rho(t) = -i[H, \rho(t)] + \sum_j (L_j \rho(t) L_j^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{L_j L_j^\dagger, \rho(t)\})$$

Redefining the Hamiltonian $H_e = H - i \sum_j L_j^\dagger L_j$ leads to

$$\partial_t \rho(t) = \mathcal{L}_t \rho(t) = -i[H_e \rho(t) - \rho(t) H_e^\dagger] + \sum_j L_j \rho(t) L_j^\dagger \quad \text{where}$$

$\sum_j L_j \rho(t) L_j^\dagger$ is the jump term

Non-Hermitian Hamiltonian: $H \neq H^\dagger$

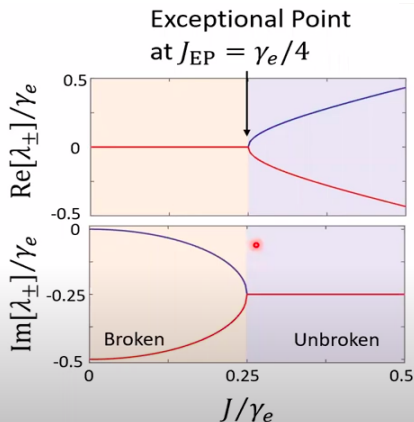
$$H|\psi_n^R\rangle = E|\psi_n^R\rangle, \langle\psi_n^L|H = E\langle\psi_n^L| \Rightarrow H^\dagger|\psi_n^L\rangle = E^*|\psi_n^L\rangle$$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & J \\ J & -i\frac{\gamma_e}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

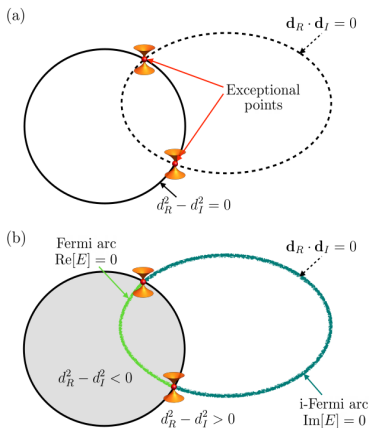
Eigenvalues & eigenvectors

$$\lambda_{\pm} = -i\frac{\gamma_e}{4} \pm \sqrt{J^2 - \frac{\gamma_e^2}{16}}$$

$$|\psi_{\pm}\rangle \propto \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\pm} \\ J \end{pmatrix}$$



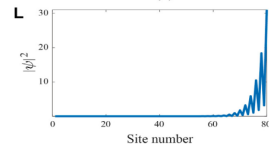
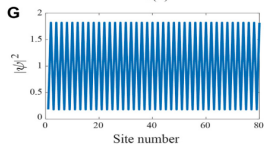
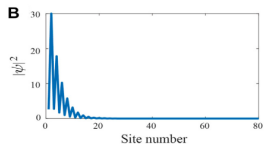
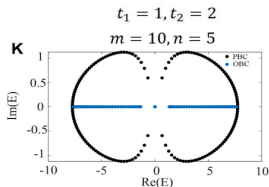
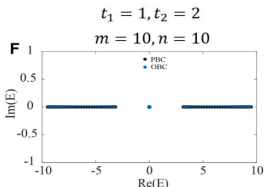
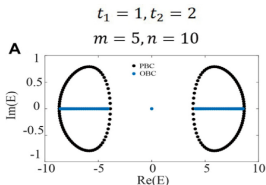
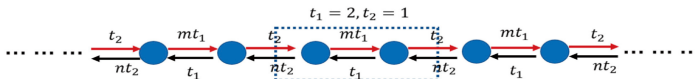
$$H = J\sigma_x + \frac{i\gamma_e}{4}\sigma_z - \alpha\frac{i\gamma_e}{4}\sigma_0 \rightarrow \text{PT-symmetric if } \alpha = 0$$



- ▶ Two-level Hamiltonian
 $H(k) = \mathbf{d}(k) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + d_0(k) \sigma_0$ with
 $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{d}_R + i \mathbf{d}_I$
- ▶ Hermitian case with $\mathbf{d}_I = 0$:
 $E_{\pm} = \pm \sqrt{d_x^2 + d_y^2 + d_z^2}$ vanishes for
 $d_x = 0, d_y = 0, d_z = 0 \rightarrow$ **three constraints for a two band crossing**
- ▶ Non-Hermitian case with $\mathbf{d}_I \neq 0$:
 Complex-energy spectrum
 $E_{\pm} = d_0 \pm \sqrt{d_R^2 - d_I^2 + 2i \mathbf{d}_R \cdot \mathbf{d}_I}$
- ▶ Degeneracies occur more frequently when
 $d_R^2 - d_I^2 = 0$ and $\mathbf{d}_R \cdot \mathbf{d}_I = 0 \rightarrow$ **two constraints for a two band crossing**

Modified SSH model:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t_1 + t_2 e^{ik} \\ mt_1 + nt_2 e^{-ik} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



Main questions

- ▶ Can we engineer non-Hermitian exceptional HOTSC phase using *d*-wave pairing?
- ▶ How is the bulk boundary correspondence modified? How to characterize the MZMs?
- ▶ How can one engineer the anomalous Floquet HOTSC phase for the NH case?

Underlying model for our problem

$$H_{\text{dD}}(\mathbf{k}) = \begin{pmatrix} H_{\text{TI}}^{\text{dD}}(\mathbf{k}) - \mu & \Delta \\ \Delta^* & \mu - \mathcal{T}^{-1} H_{\text{TI}}^{\text{dD}}(-\mathbf{k}) \mathcal{T} \end{pmatrix}$$

where Pauli matrices $(\sigma, \mathbf{s}, \tau)$ operate on the (sublattice/orbital, spin, particle-hole) degrees of freedom

- ▶ For 2D: $H_{\text{TI}}^{2\text{D}} = (m - \cos k_x - \cos k_y)\sigma_z + \sin k_x \sigma_x s_z + \sin k_y \sigma_y s_y$ preserving TRS
 $\mathcal{T} = i s_y \mathcal{K}$, $M_x = \sigma_0 s_x$ and $M_y = \sigma_z s_x$ and $\Delta = \Delta(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\sigma_0 s_0$, PHS:
 $\mathcal{P} = \tau_y \sigma_x s_z \mathcal{K}$, CS: $\mathcal{C} = \tau_z \sigma_x s_y$
- ▶ For 3D:
 $H_{\text{TI}}^{3\text{D}} = (m - \cos k_x - \cos k_y - \cos k_z)\sigma_z + \sin k_x \sigma_x s_x + \sin k_y \sigma_x s_y + \sin k_z \sigma_x s_z$
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 $\Delta = \Delta_1(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\sigma_0 s_0 + i\Delta_2(2 \cos k_z - \cos k_x - \cos k_y)\sigma_0 s_0$, PHS:
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Underlying model for our problem

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k}) = \begin{pmatrix} H_{\text{TI}}(\mathbf{k}) - \mu & \Delta(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\sigma_0 s_0 \\ \Delta(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\sigma_0 s_0 & \mu - U_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1} H_{\text{TI}}^*(-\mathbf{k}) U_{\mathcal{T}} \end{pmatrix},$$

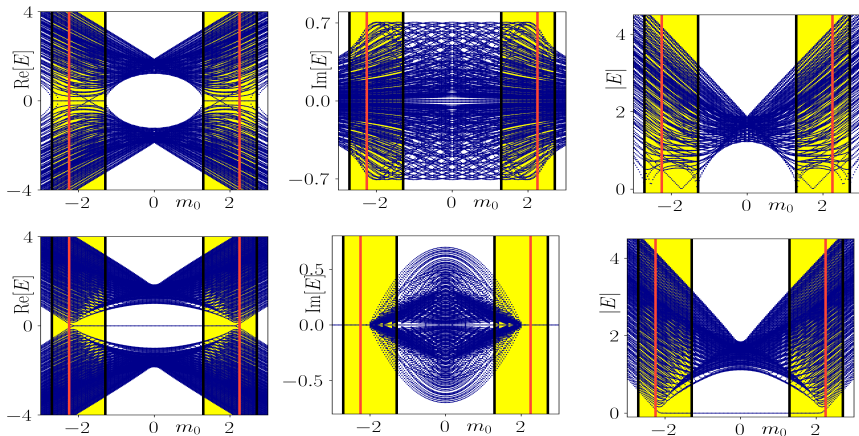
- ▶ Ingredients: $H_{\text{TI}}(\mathbf{k}) = (\lambda_x \sin k_x + i\gamma_x)\sigma_x s_z + (\lambda_y \sin k_y + i\gamma_y)\sigma_y s_0 + (m_0 - t_x \cos k_x - t_y \cos k_y)\sigma_z s_0 = H_{\text{TI}}^{\text{H}}(\mathbf{k}) + i\gamma_x \sigma_x s_z + i\gamma_y \sigma_y s_0$
- ▶ $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$ preserves ramified (time-reversal symmetry) TRS: $U_{\mathcal{T}} \mathcal{H}_{\text{TI}}^*(\mathbf{k}) U_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{TI}}(-\mathbf{k})$ with $U_{\mathcal{T}} = \sigma_0 s_y$
- ▶ $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$ preserves ramified (particle-hole symmetry) PHS † : $U_{\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{H}_{\text{TI}}^*(\mathbf{k}) U_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1} = -\mathcal{H}_{\text{TI}}(-\mathbf{k})$ with $U_{\mathcal{C}} = \sigma_x s_0$
- ▶ $H_{\text{TI}}^{\text{H}}(\mathbf{k})$ preserves TRS $\mathcal{T} = iU_{\mathcal{T}}\mathcal{K}$ and PHS $\mathcal{C} = U_{\mathcal{C}}\mathcal{K}$

The model and crystalline symmetries

The compact form $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{\Gamma}$; where, $\mathbf{N} = \{\lambda_x \sin k_x + i\gamma_x, \lambda_y \sin k_y + i\gamma_y, m_0 - t_x \cos k_x - t_y \cos k_y, \Delta(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\}$, $\mathbf{\Gamma} = \{\tau_z \sigma_x s_z, \tau_z \sigma_y s_0, \tau_z \sigma_z s_0, \tau_x \sigma_0 s_0\}$ with the Pauli matrices τ , σ , and s act on PH (e, h), orbital (α, β), and spin (\uparrow, \downarrow) degrees of freedom, respectively.

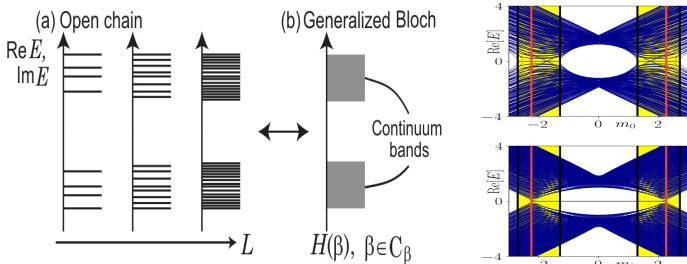
- ▶ For $t_x = t_y$, $\lambda_x = \lambda_y$, and $|\gamma_x| = |\gamma_y| \neq 0$, $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$ breaks the following crystalline symmetries four-fold rotation with respect to z, $C_4 = \tau_z e^{-\frac{i\pi}{4} \sigma_z s_z}$, mirror-reflection along x, $\mathcal{M}_x = \tau_x \sigma_x s_0$ and mirror-reflection along y, $\mathcal{M}_y = \tau_x \sigma_y s_0$ while $\mathcal{H}^H(\mathbf{k})$ respects the above symmetries
- ▶ $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$ and $\mathcal{H}^H(\mathbf{k})$ both preserve mirror-rotation I $\mathcal{M}_{xy} = C_4 \mathcal{M}_y$ for $\gamma_x = \gamma_y \neq 0$ [$\mathcal{M}_{xy} \mathcal{H}(k_x, k_y) \mathcal{M}_{xy}^{-1} = \mathcal{H}(k_y, k_x)$], and mirror-rotation II $\mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}} = C_4 \mathcal{M}_x$ for $\pm\gamma_x = \mp\gamma_y \neq 0$ [$\mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}} \mathcal{H}(k_x, k_y) \mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}}^{-1} = \mathcal{H}(-k_y, -k_x)$], sublattice/ chiral symmetry $\mathcal{S} = \tau_y \sigma_0 s_0$ [$\mathcal{S} \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k}) \mathcal{S}^{-1} = -\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$].

Energy spectrum with PBC and OBC



The EPs $m_0^{s,\pm} = s(t_x + t_y) \pm \sqrt{\gamma_x^2 + \gamma_y^2}$ for $(k_x, k_y) = (0, 0)$ and (π, π) with $s = \pm$ are marked by black lines within which $\text{Re}[E(k)]$ associated with $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$ remains gapless as designated by yellow-shaded region

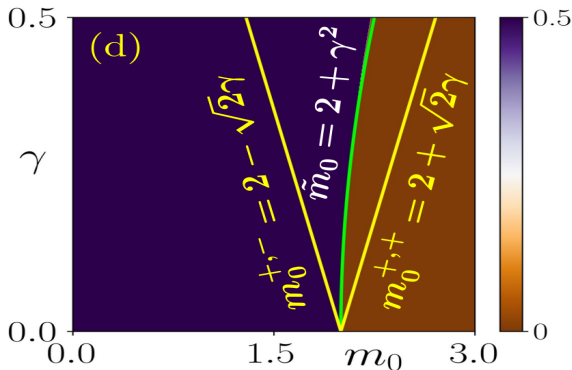
How is the bulk boundary correspondence modified?



- ▶ Hermitian $\mathcal{H}^H(\mathbf{k})$: topological phase appears $m_0 < |t_x + t_y|$, trivial phase appears $m_0 > |t_x + t_y|$
- ▶ Non-Hermitian $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$: $m_0^{s,\pm} = s(t_x + t_y) \pm \sqrt{\gamma_x^2 + \gamma_y^2} \rightarrow$ **topological gapped phase from PBC** $m_0^{-,+} < m_0 < m_0^{+,-}$
- ▶ **Non-Bloch momentum** $\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \mathbf{k}' + i\boldsymbol{\beta}$ with $\beta_i = \gamma_i/\lambda_i$ ($i = x, y$) to get satisfy bulk-boundary correspondence for small γ
- ▶ **Topological gapped phase from OBC** sustains for $m > m_0^{+,-}$ and $m < m_0^{-,+}$

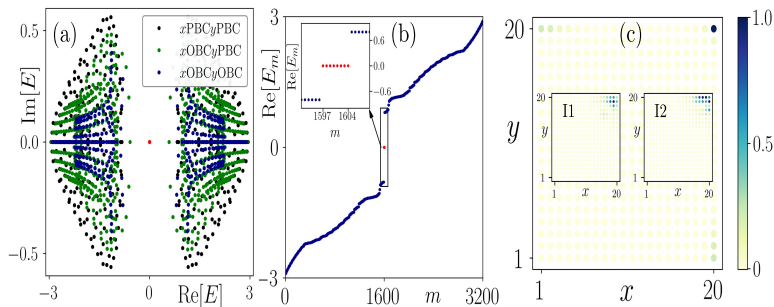
Breaking and recovery of bulk-boundary correspondence

Can we engineer non-Hermitian exceptional HOTSC phase?



- ▶ The topological phase (PBC and OBC) boundary with Non-Bloch momentum $\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \mathbf{k}' + i\beta$ is $m = \pm(t_x + t_y + \gamma_x^2/2\lambda_x^2 + \gamma_y^2/2\lambda_y^2)$
- ▶ Non-Hermiticity induced topological phase that exists beyond $m = \pm(t_x + t_y)$.

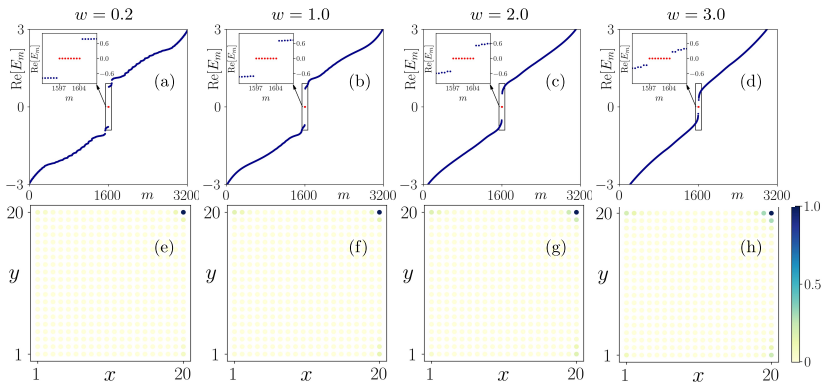
Another consequence of non-Bloch momentum: Skin modes



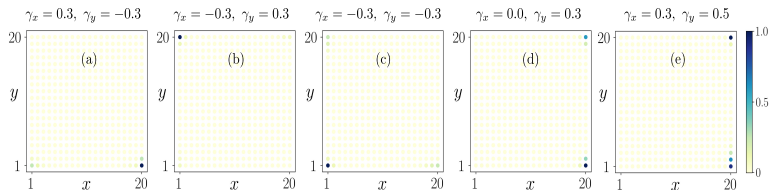
- ▶ **Non-Bloch form of momentum in non-Hermitian system leads to skin modes which are otherwise Bloch band for Hermitian system**

Disorder stability

- ▶ The onsite disorder potential of the form $V(i, j) = \sum_{i, j} V_{ij} \Gamma_3$ that preserves the chiral and mirror-rotation I symmetry. Here, V_{ij} is randomly distributed in the range $V_{ij} \in [-\frac{w}{2}, \frac{w}{2}]$

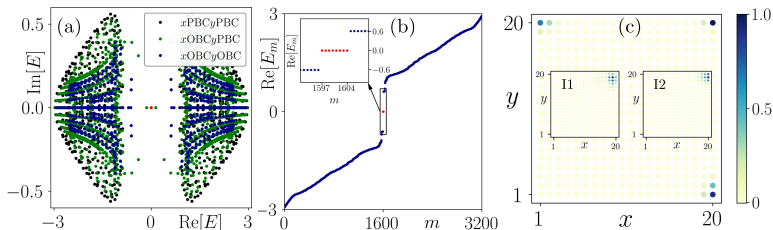


Breaking of mirror-rotation symmetries and localization at multiple corners



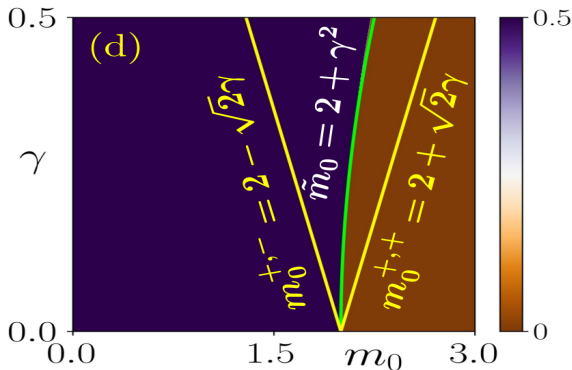
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 $\mathcal{M}_{xy} \mathcal{H}(k_x, k_y) \mathcal{M}_{xy}^{-1} = \mathcal{H}(k_y, k_x)$, if $\gamma_x = \gamma_y \neq 0$ while $t_x = t_y$ and $\lambda_x = \lambda_y$
- ▶ **Mirror rotation II with $\mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}} = C_4 \mathcal{M}_x$ constraints single corner localization:**
 $\mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}} \mathcal{H}(k_x, k_y) \mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}}^{-1} = \mathcal{H}(-k_y, -k_x)$, if $\pm \gamma_x = \mp \gamma_y \neq 0$ while $t_x = t_y$ and $\lambda_x = \lambda_y$,
- ▶ **Sublattice/ chiral symmetry with $\mathcal{S} = \tau_y \sigma_0 s_0$ is preserved:**
 $\mathcal{S} \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k}) \mathcal{S}^{-1} = -\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$.

- The Hamiltonian is given by $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{\Gamma}$; where, $\mathbf{N} = \{\lambda_x \sin k_x + i\gamma_x, \lambda_y \sin k_y + i\gamma_y, m_0 - t_x \cos k_x - t_y \cos k_y, \Delta_s, \Lambda(\cos k_x - \cos k_y)\}$, $\mathbf{\Gamma} = \{\tau_z \sigma_x s_z, \tau_z \sigma_y s_0, \tau_z \sigma_z s_0, \tau_x \sigma_0 s_0, \tau_0 \sigma_x s_x\}$. **The last term proportional to Λ represents C_4 symmetry breaking Wilson-Dirac mass term.**



Topological invariant: bi-orthogonalized nested polarization

How to characterize the MZMs?



- ▶ Projection of the position operator in the occupied subspace \Rightarrow **Polarization**
 $P_x = e \sum_{n=1}^N \langle W_n(j) | x | W_n(j) \rangle$ corresponds to sum of the Wannier centers of the occupied bands where $W_n(r - R_j)$ denotes the Wannier functions \Rightarrow
 $= -\text{Im}[\ln \prod_{j=0}^{J-1} \langle u_n(k_j) | u_n(k_{j+1}) \rangle] / (2\pi) + j$
- ▶ $W_\alpha = F_{\mathbf{k}+N\Delta k_\alpha} \cdots F_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}}$ with $[F_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}}]_{mn} = \langle u_{\mathbf{k}+\Delta k_\alpha}^m | u_{\mathbf{k}}^n \rangle$, Wilson loop is unitary, eigenstates depend on the base point k , eigenvalues do not
- ▶ **Projected position operator using the Bloch functions (eigenvalues) \Rightarrow Polarization (Wannier center)**, Polarization (Berry phase in the occupied sub-space) $p_x = -\frac{i}{2\pi} \text{Log Det} [W_{k+2\pi \leftarrow k}]$
- ▶ Polarization \leftrightarrow Wannier center \leftrightarrow Wilson loop \leftrightarrow Berry phase
- ▶ Example of FOT phase: $p_x = 1/2 \pmod{1}$ for 1D SSH model

Construction of static n th-order/ (nested) n Wilson loops

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Equilibrium or Floquet stroboscopic and insensitive to gap

The position operator \hat{x} is **projected onto occupied subspace** \rightarrow **first-order Wilson loop (Wannier bands and values)** and first-order polarization



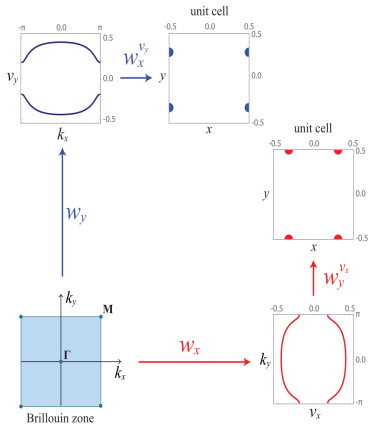
The position operator \hat{y} is **projected onto subspace associated with first-order Wannier bands** \rightarrow **second-order Wilson loop** and second-order polarization



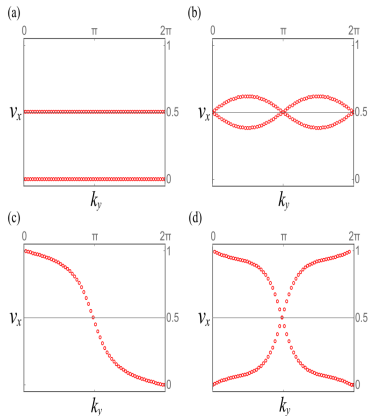
The position operator \hat{z} is **projected onto subspace associated with second-order Wannier bands** \rightarrow **third-order Wilson loop** and third-order polarization

- ▶ **FSOTSC in 2D:** $p_y^{\pm\nu_x} = \frac{1}{N_x} \sum_{k_x} \nu_y^{\pm\nu_x}(k_x) = 1/2(\text{mod } 1)$ while first-order is gapped
- ▶ **FTOTSC in 3D:** $p_z^{\pm\nu_y^{\pm\nu_x}} = \frac{1}{N_x N_y} \sum_{k_x, k_y} \nu_z^{\pm\nu_y^{\pm\nu_x}} = 1/2(\text{mod } 1)$ while first-order and second-order are gapped out

Second-order Wilson loop: SOT



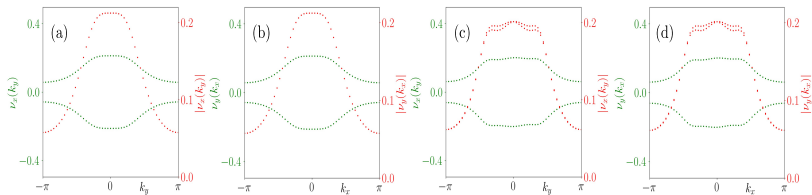
First-order Wilson loop: FOT



Bi-orthogonalized version for NH system

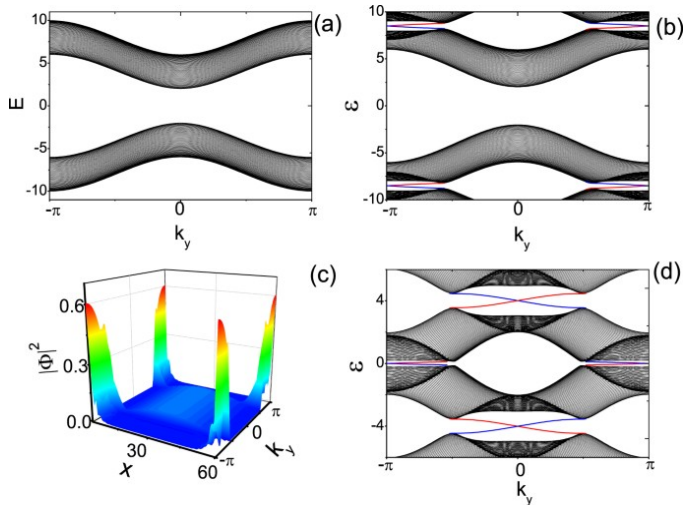
- ▶ The bi-orthogonalization guarantees $\sum_n |\Psi_n^R(\mathbf{k}')\rangle \langle \Psi_n^L(\mathbf{k}')| = \mathbb{I}$ and $\langle \Psi_n^L(\mathbf{k}') | \Psi_n^R(\mathbf{k}') \rangle = \delta_{mn}$; where, n runs over all the energy levels irrespective of their occupations.
- ▶ The **non-Bloch form of the momentum** $\mathbf{k}' \rightarrow \mathbf{k}'$ in $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k})$ i.e., $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{k}) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}'(\mathbf{k}')$.
- ▶ Polarization along $x \rightarrow$ **first-order Wilson loop** \rightarrow Wannier Hamiltonian $\log W_{x,\mathbf{k}'}$ \rightarrow Wannier spectrum $\pm\nu_x$ and Wannier functions $|\nu_{x,\mu}^R(\mathbf{k}')\rangle$ and $\langle \nu_{x,\mu}^L(\mathbf{k}')|$
- ▶ Polarization along the perpendicular y -direction by projecting onto each $\pm\nu_x$ branch \rightarrow **nested Wilson loop** $W_{y,\mathbf{k}'}^{\pm\nu_x} = F_{y,\mathbf{k}'+(L_y-1)\Delta_y\mathbf{e}_y}^{\pm\nu_x} \cdots F_{y,\mathbf{k}'+\Delta_y\mathbf{e}_y}^{\pm\nu_x} F_{y,\mathbf{k}'}^{\pm\nu_x}$
 where $\left[F_{y,\mathbf{k}'}^{\pm\nu_x} \right]_{\mu_1\mu_2} = \sum_{mn} [\nu_{x,\mu_1}^L(\mathbf{k}' + \Delta_y\mathbf{e}_y)]_m^* \left[F_{y,\mathbf{k}'} \right]_{mn} [\nu_{x,\mu_2}^R(\mathbf{k}')]_n$ with $\left[F_{y,\mathbf{k}'} \right]_{mn} = \langle \Psi_m^L(\mathbf{k}' + \Delta_y\mathbf{e}_y) | \Psi_n^R(\mathbf{k}') \rangle$
- ▶ Nested Wannier Hamiltonian $\log W_{y,\mathbf{k}'}^{\pm\nu_x} \rightarrow$ Wannier spectrum $\nu_{y,\mu'}^{\pm\nu_x}(k'_x) \rightarrow$
nested bi-orthogonalized polarization $\langle \nu_{y,\mu'}^{\pm\nu_x} \rangle = \frac{1}{L_x} \sum_{k'_x} \text{Re} \left[\nu_{y,\mu'}^{\pm\nu_x}(k'_x) \right]$

Consistency check: Bi-orthogonalized first-order polarization



- ▶ M_x : $\nu_x(k_y) \rightarrow -\nu_x(k_y)$, and $\nu_y^{\nu_x}(k_x) \rightarrow \nu_y^{-\nu_x}(-k_x)$; M_x causes the first-order branches to appear in pairs
- ▶ M_y : $\nu_x(k_y) \rightarrow \nu_x(-k_y)$, and $\nu_y^{\nu_x}(k_x) \rightarrow -\nu_y^{\nu_x}(k_x)$; M_y defines the shape of the first-order branches
- ▶ The four-fold rotation C_4 and mirror rotations \mathcal{M}_{xy} , $\mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}}$ interchange the branches, C_4 : $\nu_x(k_y) \rightarrow -\nu_y(k_x)$, and $\nu_y^{\nu_x}(k_x) \rightarrow \nu_x^{-\nu_y}(-k_y)$, \mathcal{M}_{xy} : $\nu_x(k_y) \rightarrow \nu_y(k_x)$, and $\nu_y^{\nu_x}(k_x) \rightarrow \nu_x^{\nu_y}(k_y)$ $\mathcal{M}_{x\bar{y}}$: $\nu_x(k_y) \rightarrow -\nu_y(-k_x)$, and $\nu_y^{\nu_x}(k_x) \rightarrow -\nu_x^{-\nu_y}(-k_y)$.

How can one engineer the anomalous Floquet HOTSC phase for the NH case?



- ▶ Temporal analog of Bloch theorem for a **time periodic Hamiltonian**:
 $H(t) = H(t + T)$
- ▶ Wave function can be written in the Floquet basis:
 $|\Psi_j(t)\rangle = e^{-i\mu_j t} |\Phi_j(t)\rangle$, with $|\Phi_j(t + T)\rangle = |\Phi_j(t)\rangle$
- ▶ Wave-function of Schrödinger equation at the stroboscopic instant:
 $|\Psi(T)\rangle = \sum_j r_j e^{-i\mu_j T} |\Phi_j(0)\rangle$ with $r_j = \langle \Phi_j(0) | \Psi_j(0) \rangle$
- ▶ Time evolution operator: **Floquet operator**
 $U(T) = \mathcal{T} e^{-i \int_0^T H(t) dt} = \sum_j e^{-i\mu_j T} |\Phi_j(0)\rangle \langle \Phi_j(0)| = \exp(-iH_F T)$
where H_F is the Floquet Hamiltonian with eigenstates $|\Phi_j(0)\rangle$ and eigenvalue μ_j

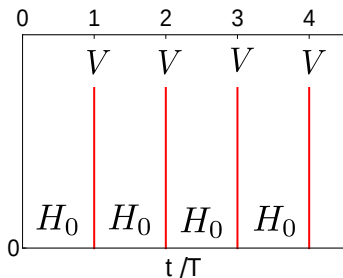
Dynamic generation of second-order TI (SOTI): Floquet SOTI

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Periodically kick in the FOT mass term

$$V(t) = m_1 \Gamma_3 \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \delta(t - r T) \quad \text{with} \quad \Gamma_3 = \tau_z \sigma_z s_0$$

$$U(\mathbf{k}, T) = \exp[-i\mathcal{H}_0(\mathbf{k})T] \exp[-im_1\Gamma_3]$$



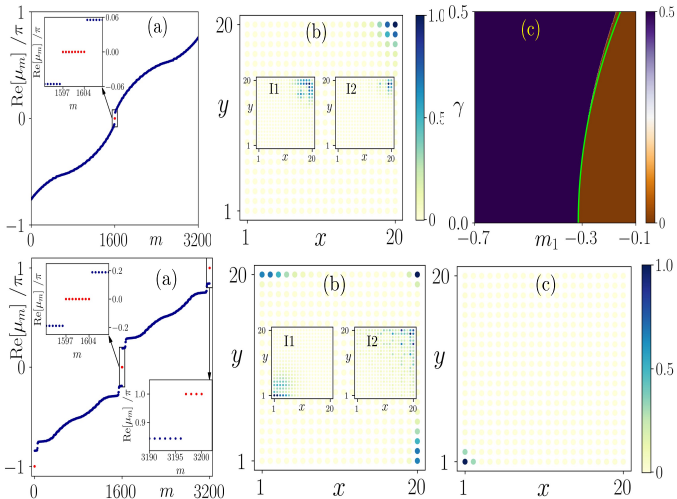
- ▶ $H_{\text{HOTSC}}^{\text{stat}} = H_{\text{HOTSC}}^{\text{stat}} + m_1 \Gamma_3$ exhibit trivial gapped phase as

$$m_0 > |t_x + t_y + \sqrt{\gamma_x^2 + \gamma_y^2}|$$

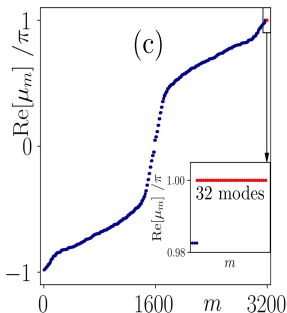
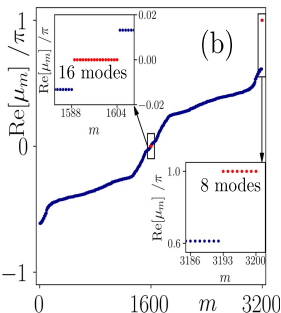
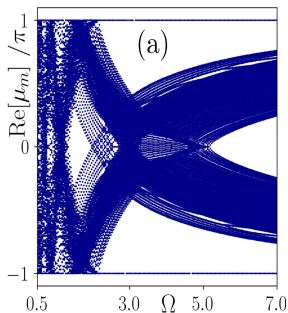
- ▶ $H_{\text{Flq}}(\mathbf{k}) \approx \mathcal{H}_0(\mathbf{k}) + \frac{m_1}{T} \Gamma_3 + m_1 \sum_{j=1,4}^{\neq 3} N_j \Gamma_{j1}$ and renormalized mass term

$$m'_0 = m_0 - t_x - t_y - \frac{\gamma_x^2}{2\lambda_x^2} - \frac{\gamma_y^2}{2\lambda_y^2} + \frac{m_1}{T}$$

Floquet NH HOTSC



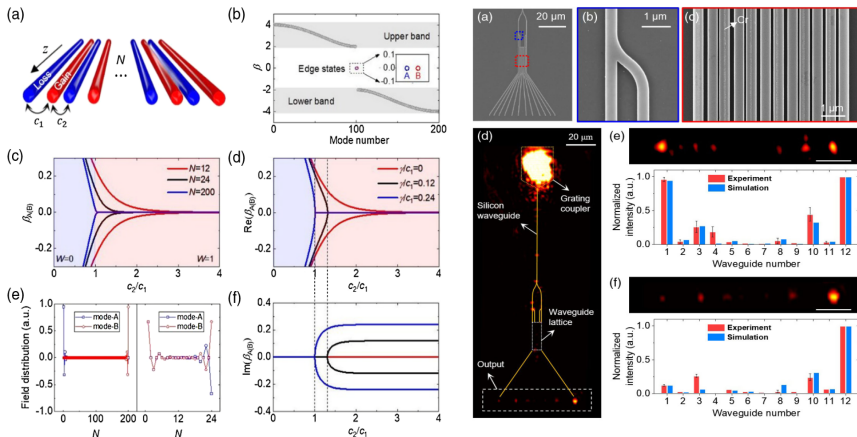
Tuning the MCMs dynamically



Conclusion

- ▶ **Considering 2D NH TI, proximized with d-wave superconductivity, we show the emergence of NH SOTSC phase**
- ▶ Breakdown of bulk-boundary correspondence for Bloch momenta → **recovery of bulk-boundary correspondence with non-Bloch momenta**
- ▶ MZMs are topologically characterized by the **bi-orthogonal nested polarization**
- ▶ **Floquet anomalous π -mode** following the mass kick

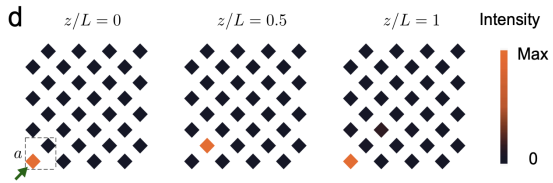
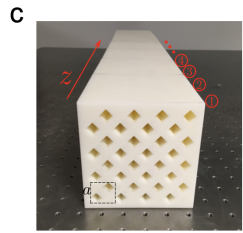
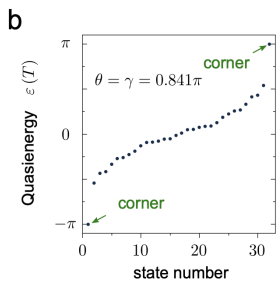
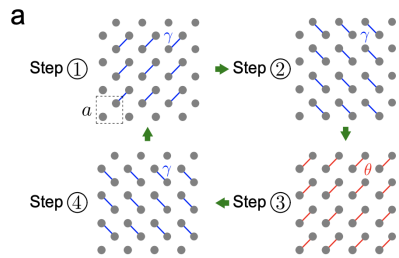
Experimental connections: NH topology PRL 123, 165701 (2019)



- ▶ Non-Hermitian SSH model using a finite silicon waveguide lattice leading to topological phase → finite size effect of Hermitian system is overcome by the PT symmetric non-Hermitian terms such that topological edge modes sustain

Experimental connections: Floquet HOT in acoustic system

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