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A Crash Course in Quantum Transport II: Various Mesoscopic Interactions

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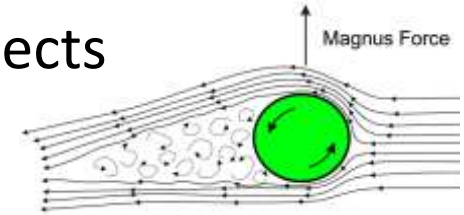
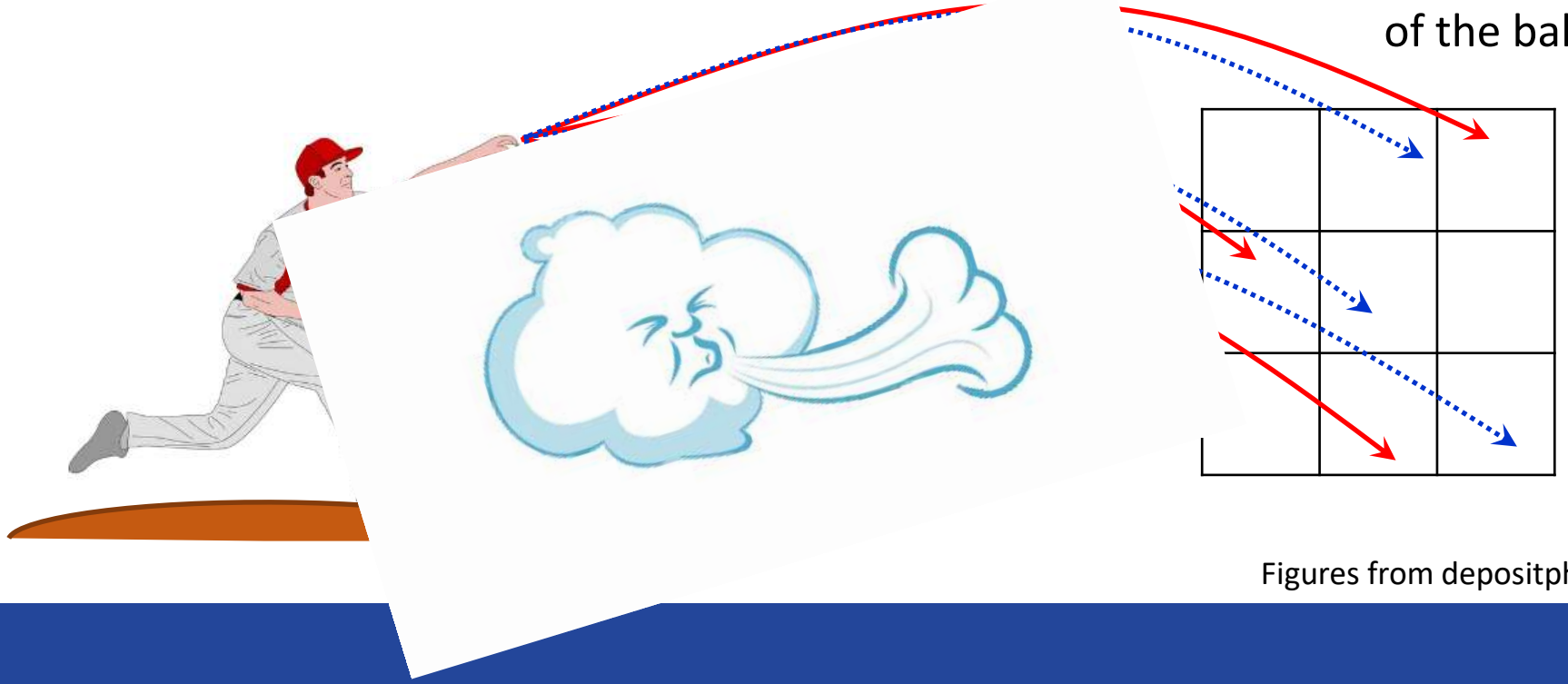
- **Mesoscopic quantum transport?**
- **Why 'transport?'**

→ Transport reveals information of transported objects

→ Imagine we are in a dark room!



Interaction b/t ball &wind **Spin** of the ball



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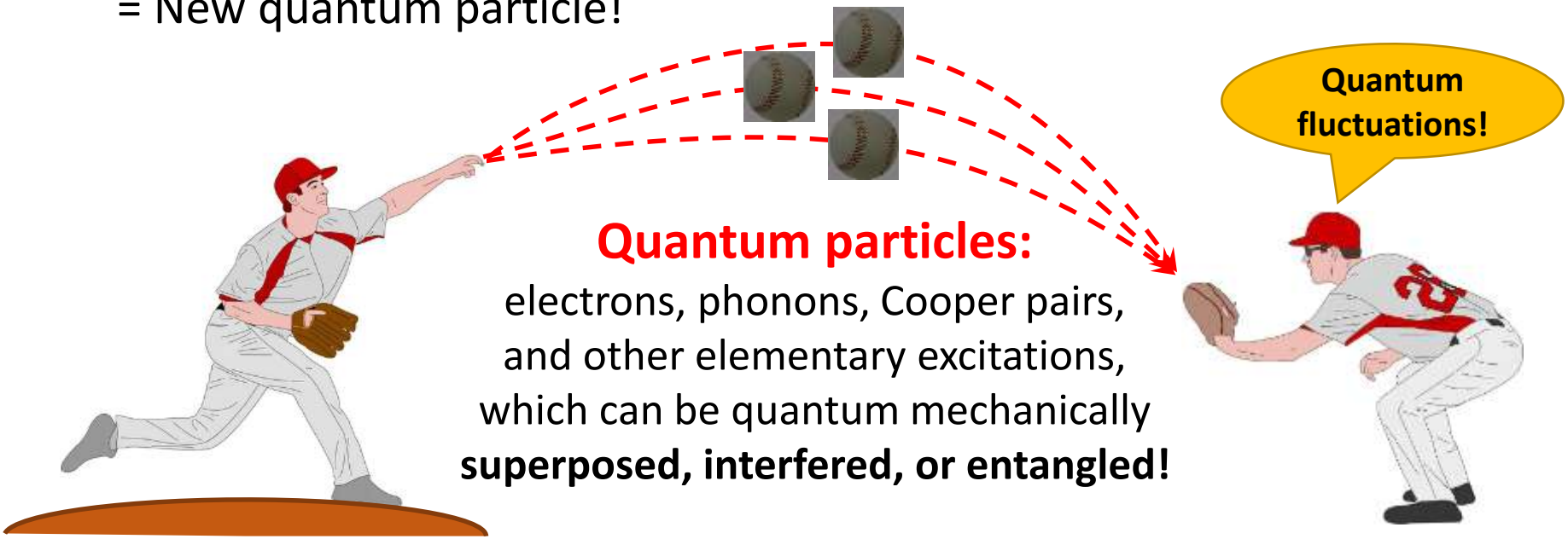
  → New phenomena with the same game setting?

  = New quantum particle!



Quantum particles:
electrons, phonons, Cooper pairs,
and other elementary excitations,
which can be quantum mechanically
superposed, interfered, or entangled!

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- **What's meso-scopic systems**

  → **Playground** for **quantum** baseballs (not too large: macro-scopic)
  but **well-controllable & designable** (not too small: micro-scopic)

We can place **quantum** pitchers, catchers, fans on the field, **as we want!**

Competition b/t **various scales matter**!

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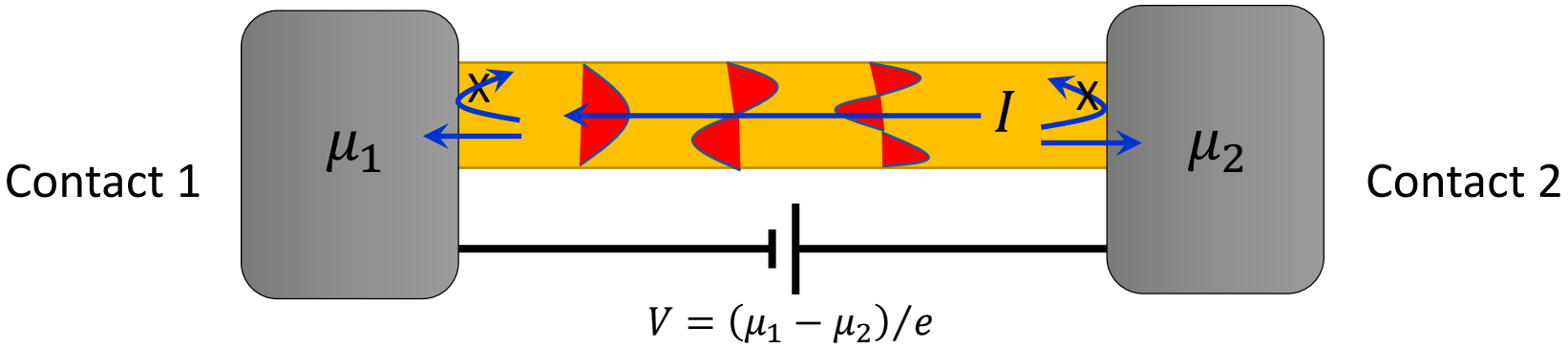

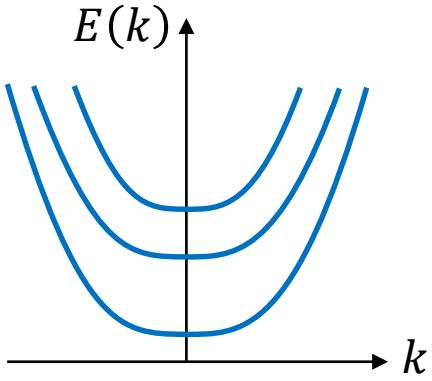

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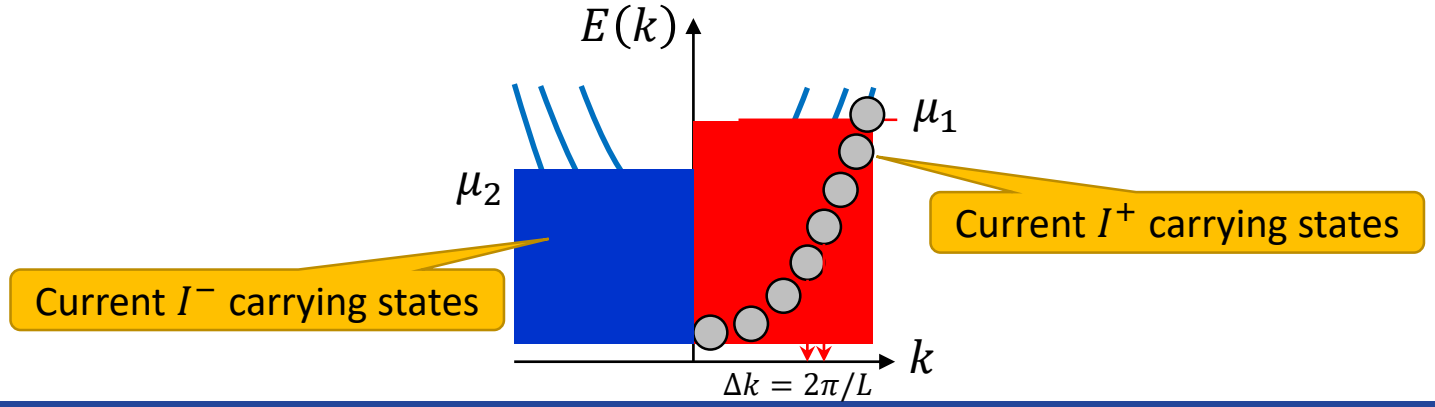
Opposite sign due to opposite group velocity



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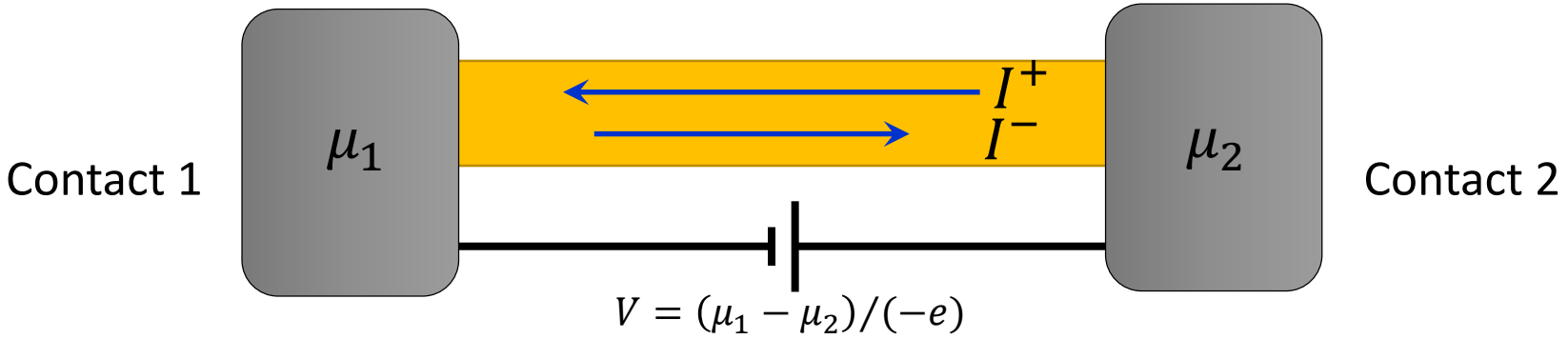
G of a perfect conductor = integer multiple of conductance quantum

$$I = I^+ + I^- = \frac{2e}{h} M(\mu_1 - \mu_2) = \frac{2e^2}{h} M \frac{\mu_1 - \mu_2}{e} = \frac{2e^2}{h} MV$$



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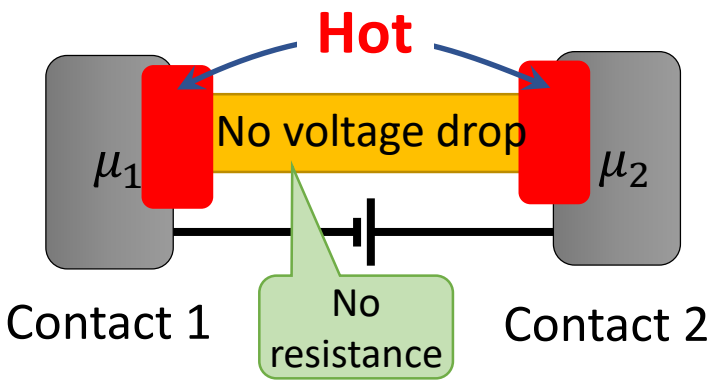
- **Quantized conductance**

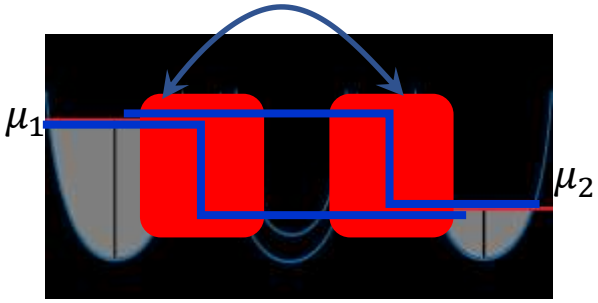
$$G = \frac{2e^2}{h} M \quad \rightarrow \quad \underline{\textbf{Contact resistance}} \quad R_c = \frac{h}{2e^2 M} = \frac{12.9}{M}\ \mathrm{k\Omega}$$

- **Where is the voltage drop?**

  Ans. at the contacts



Energy dissipation should occur to fit into B.C. at infinity



i) Translational symmetry is broken at contacts
ii) Contacts are irremovable

No matter how we define the voltage drop, it occurs **<u>at the contacts</u>**

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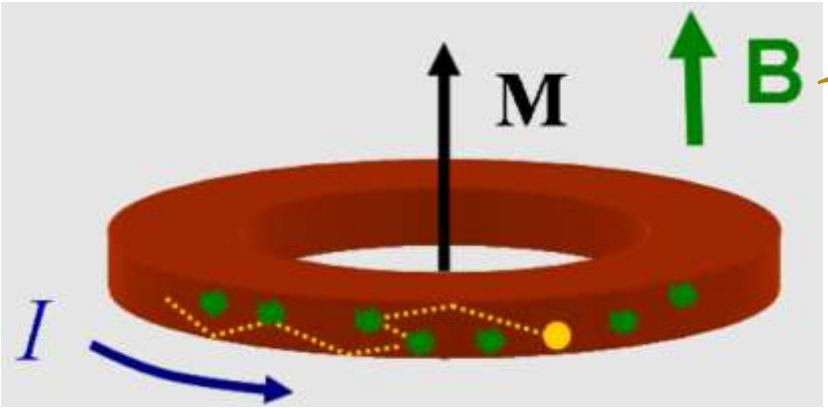
- **Persistent Current & Scales**

How long the time should be to be 'persistent?'



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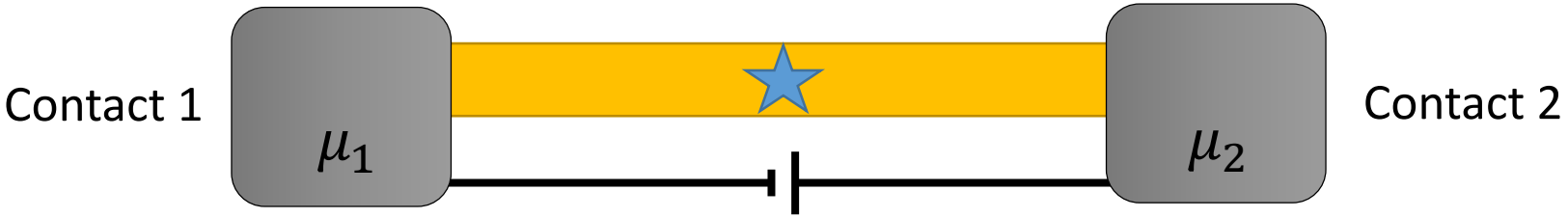
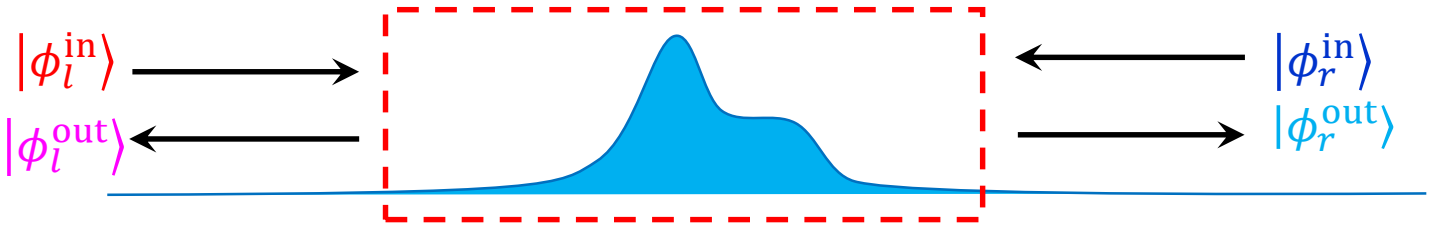


- **Scattering Matrix**



$|\phi_l\rangle \equiv \lim_{x\to-\infty} |\psi\rangle$
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General solution $\hat{H}|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle$: $|\phi_l\rangle = A|\phi_l^{\text{i}}\rangle + B|\phi_l^{\text{o}}\rangle$ & $|\phi_r\rangle = C|\phi_r^{\text{o}}\rangle + D|\phi_r^{\text{i}}\rangle$.

Undergraduate courses, we deal with two cases: (i) left & (ii) right incidence. We know

(i) $B = rA$ & $C = tA$ & $D = 0$: $\quad |\phi_l\rangle = A|\phi_l^{\text{i}}\rangle + rA|\phi_l^{\text{o}}\rangle$ & $|\phi_r\rangle = tA|\phi_l^{\text{o}}\rangle$

(ii) $B = t'D$ & $C = r'D$ & $A = 0$: $\quad |\phi_l\rangle = t'D|\phi_l^{\text{o}}\rangle$ & $|\phi_r\rangle = r'D|\phi_r^{\text{o}}\rangle + D|\phi_r^{\text{i}}\rangle$.

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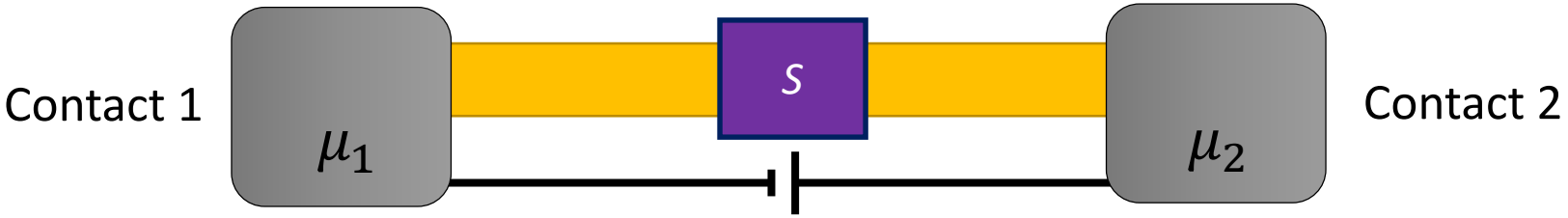

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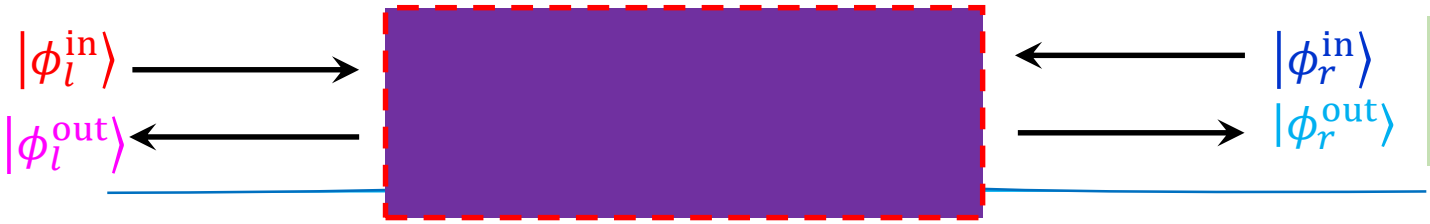

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$$\begin{pmatrix} B \\ C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r & t' \\ t & r' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ D \end{pmatrix} = S \begin{pmatrix} A \\ D \end{pmatrix}$$

If interested only in amplitudes of scattering states at infinity, only thing we need to know is

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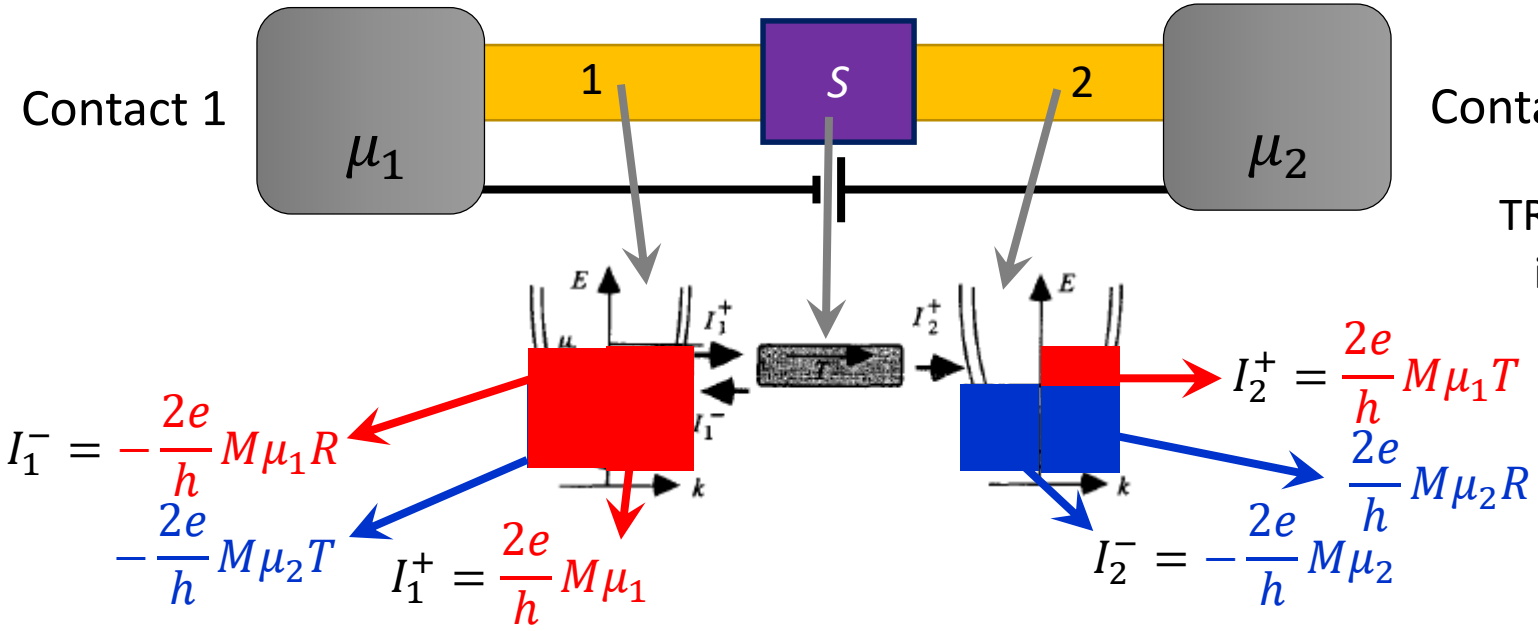

Total current at lead 1:

$$I_1 = I_1^+ + I_1^- = \frac{2e}{h} M\mu_1 - \frac{2e}{h} M\mu_1(1-T) - \frac{2e}{h} M\mu_2 T = \frac{2e}{h} M(\mu_1 - \mu_2)T$$

Total current at lead 2:

$$I_2 = I_2^+ + I_2^- = \frac{2e}{h} M\mu_1 T + \frac{2e}{h} M\mu_2(1-T) - \frac{2e}{h} M\mu_2 = \frac{2e}{h} M(\mu_1 - \mu_2)T$$

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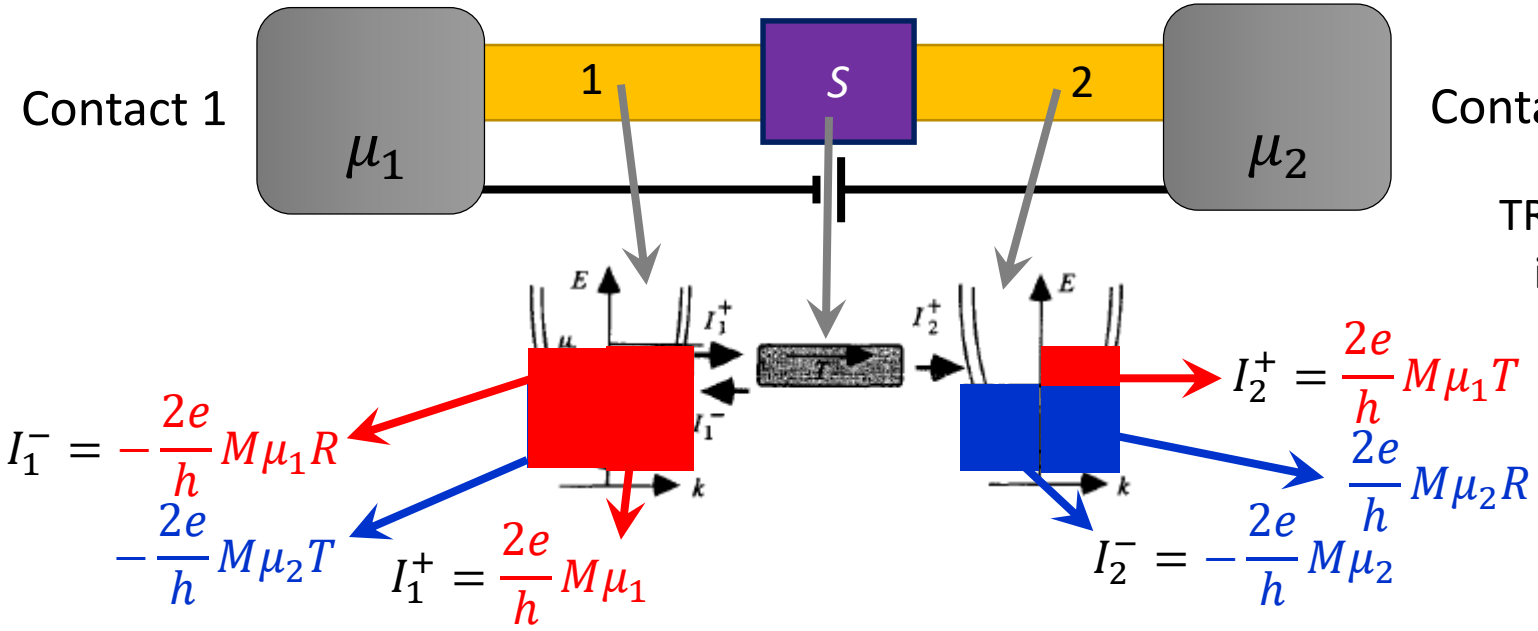

Total current at lead 1&2:

$$I = I_1 = I_2 = \frac{2e}{h} M(\mu_1 - \mu_2)T = \frac{2e^2}{h} MT\left(\frac{\mu_1 - \mu_2}{e}\right) = \frac{2e^2}{h} MTV$$

$$G = \frac{2e^2}{h} MT$$

Perfect conductor $T = 1$

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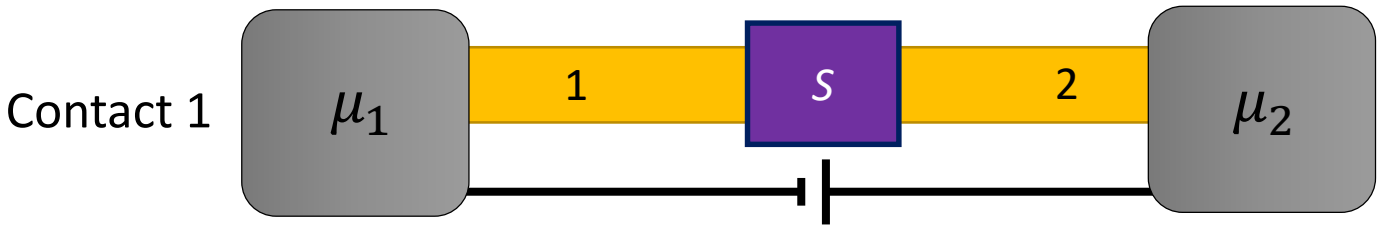
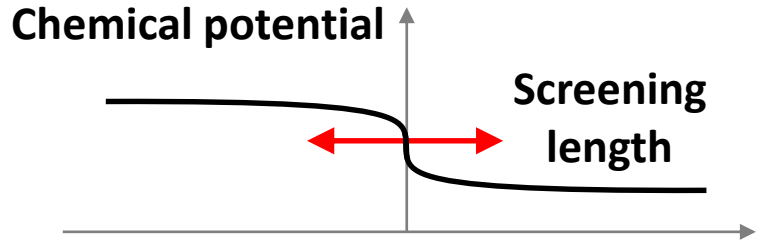
- **What is the electric field in the conductor?**





Gradient of chemical potential is generated by **Neq. Bias**

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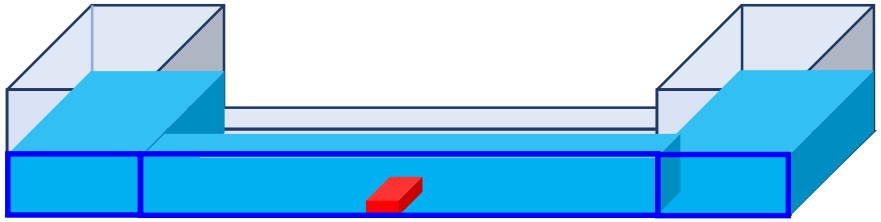
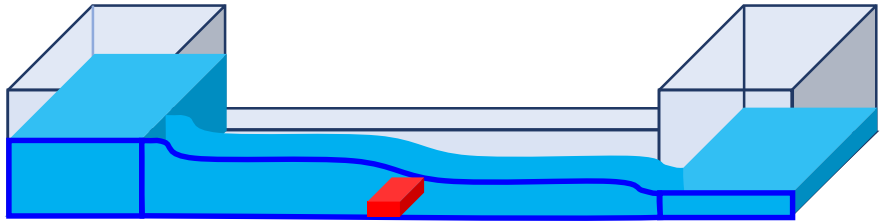


$\mu_1 > \mu_2$



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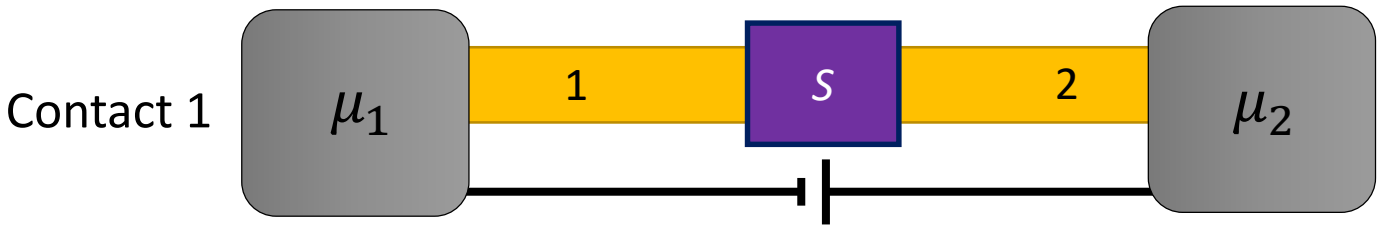
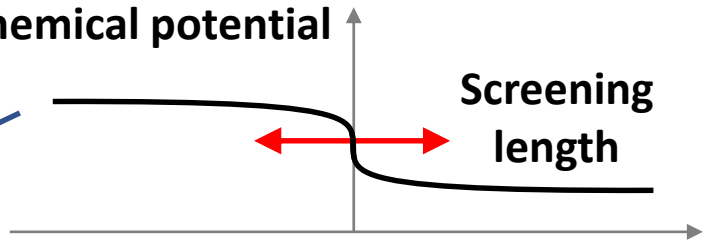


$-\nabla^2 U = n(\vec{r})/\epsilon$



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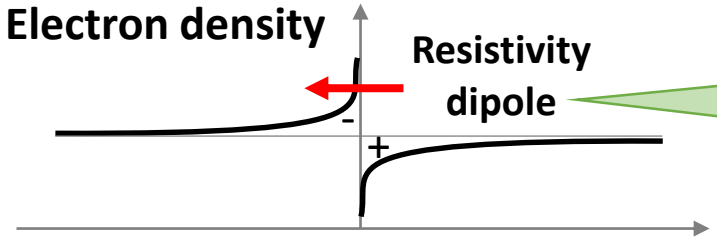

Local charge imbalance & local electric field (like pn-junction but **by Bias**)

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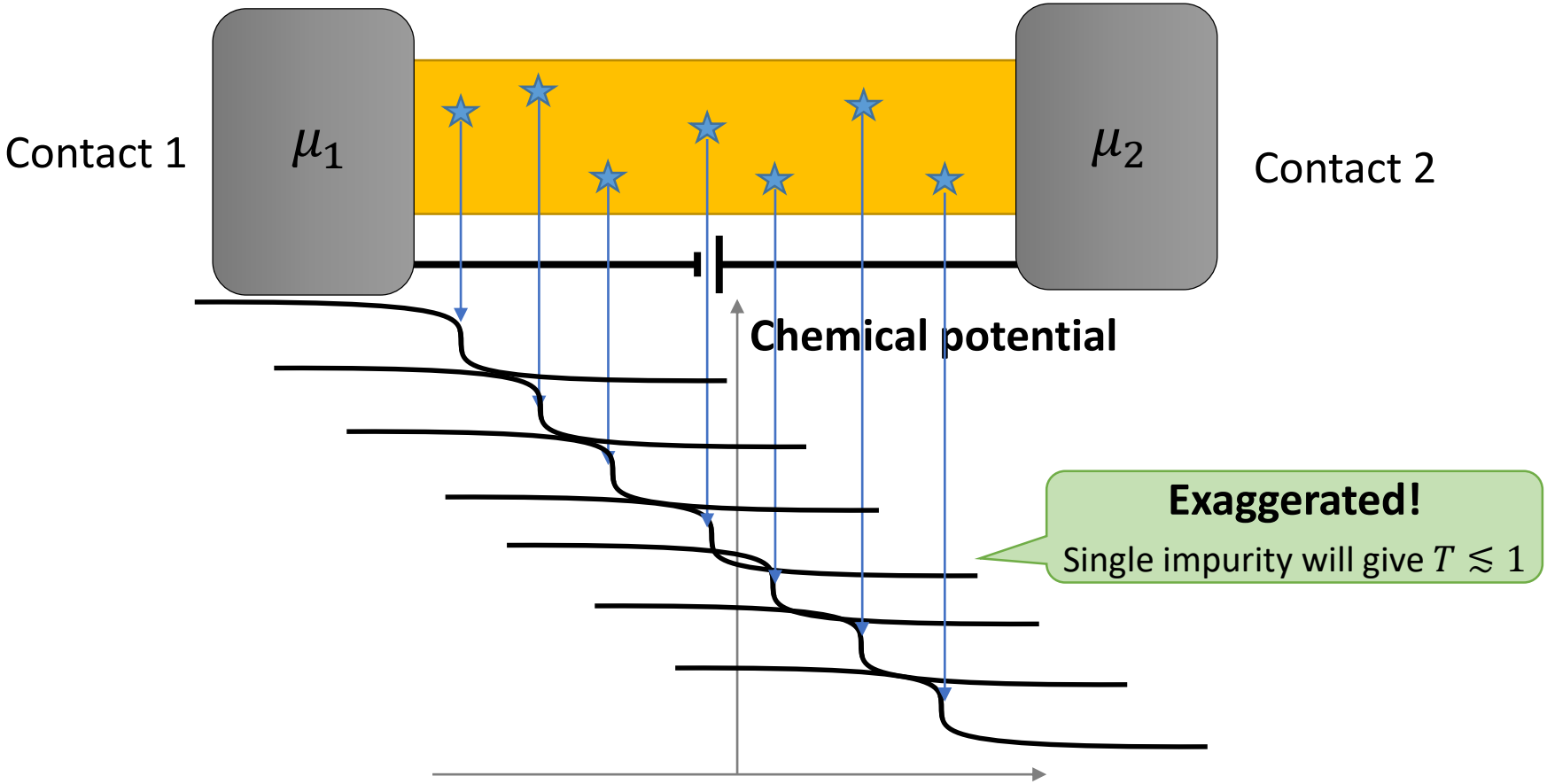

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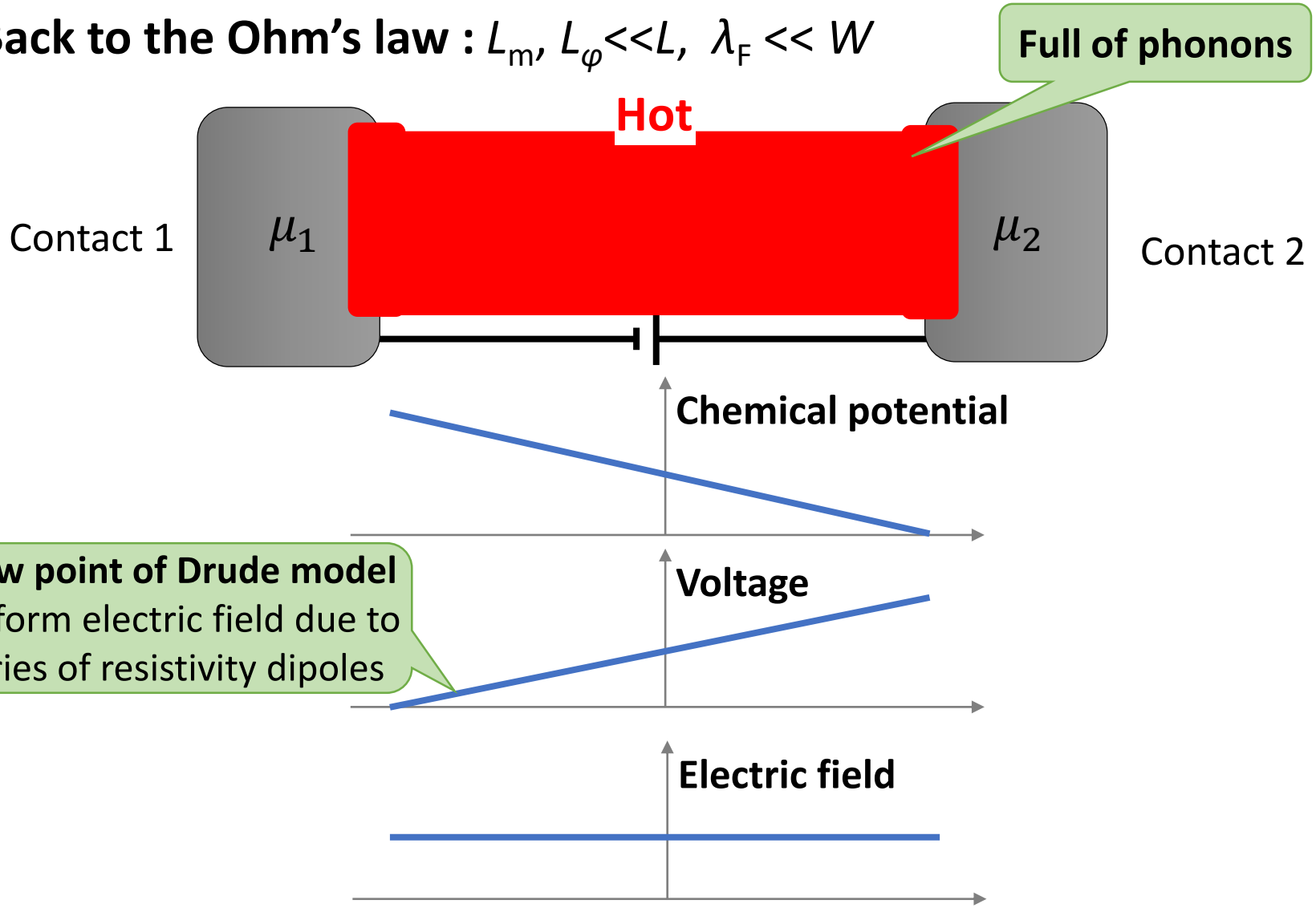

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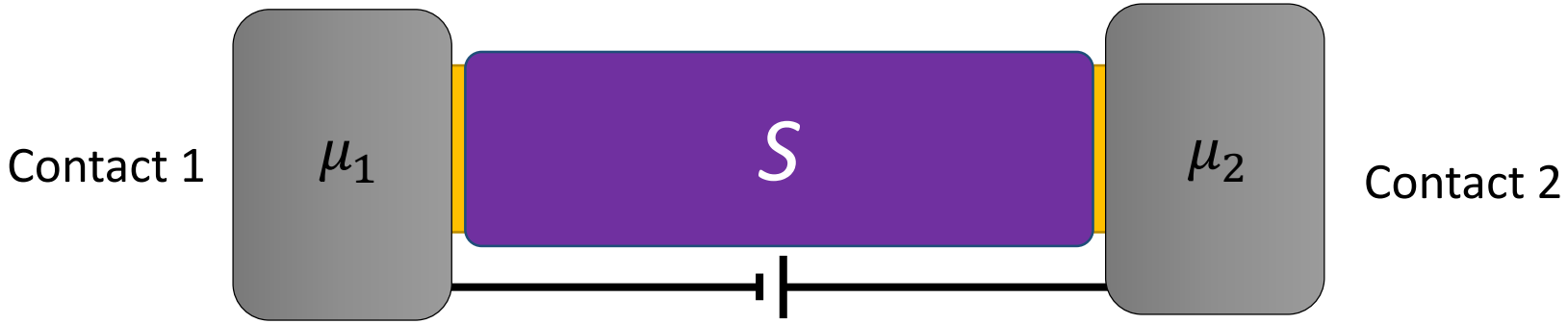


- **Landauer formula for Ohmic regime**

$$G = \frac{2e^2}{h} MT$$

$$M \sim \frac{k_F W}{\pi}$$

$$T(N) \sim \frac{L_m}{L}$$

$$G = \frac{2e^2}{h}\frac{k_F W}{\pi}\frac{L_m}{L} = \left(\frac{2e^2 k_F L_m}{h}\right)\frac{W}{L}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{2e^2 k_F}{h}\frac{h k_F \tau}{2\pi m} = \frac{k_F^2}{\pi}\frac{e^2\tau}{m} = \frac{n e^2 \tau}{m}$$

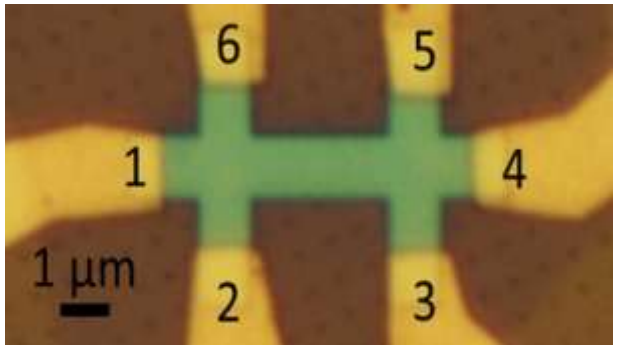
Ohm's Law & Drude model is derived

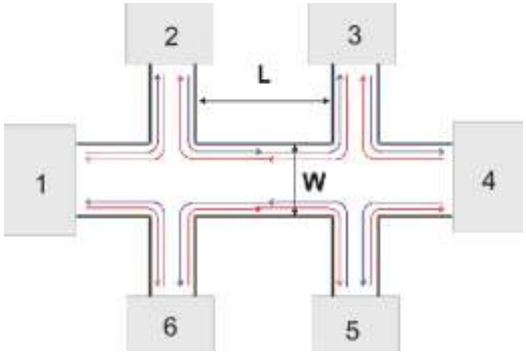
(Lesson) Now we know when MQT becomes classical from a microscopic view point & How limited Drude model is.

Landauer formalism gives another lesson: all you need to know for transport is the S-matrix.

(as long as it is a single particle physics)

Physics of MQT: multi-terminal transport





- **Büttiker formula: multi-terminal transport**

$$I_p = \frac{2e}{h}\sum_q \left[T_{q\leftarrow p}\mu_p - T_{p\leftarrow q}\mu_q\right] = \sum_q \left[G_{qp}V_p - G_{pq}V_q\right]$$

c.f. two-terminal case

$T_{21} = T_{12}$ to have $I_1 = 0$ for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$

$$G = \frac{2e^2}{h}T_{12}$$

$$I_1 = \frac{2e}{h}(T_{21}\mu_1 - T_{12}\mu_2) = \frac{2e}{h}T_{12}(\mu_1 - \mu_2) = GV$$

- **Sum rule:** $\sum_q G_{qp} = \sum_q G_{pq}$ to have $I_p = 0$ for $V_p = V_q = V_0$

Physics of MQT: multi-terminal transport

- **Three-terminal case**

$$I_1 = \frac{2e}{h}(T_{21}\mu_1 + T_{31}\mu_1 - T_{12}\mu_2 - T_{13}\mu_3)$$

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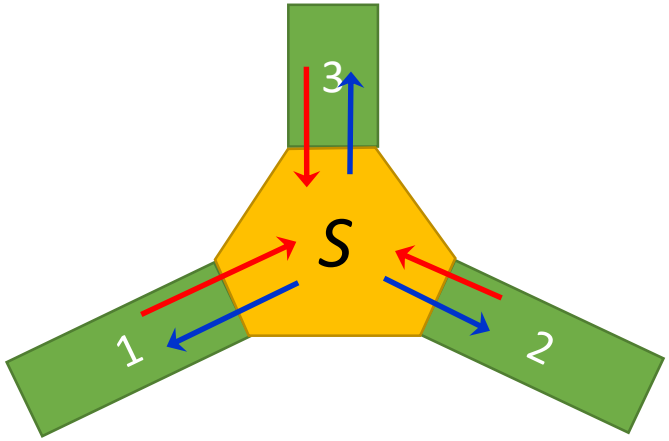
$T_{21} = |s_{ab}|^2$, a & b = ?



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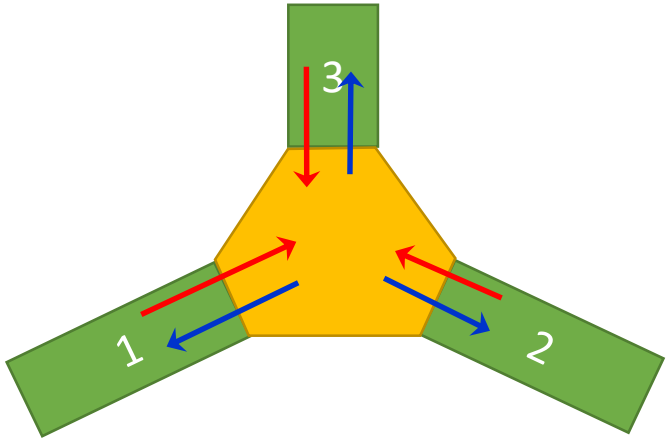

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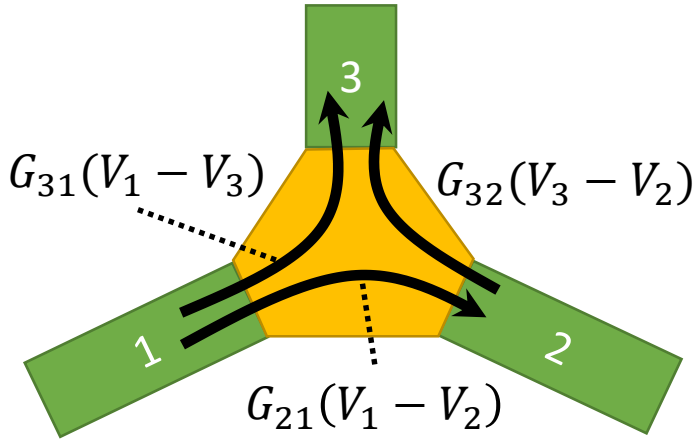
$$= G_{21}\mu_1 + G_{31}\mu_1 - G_{12}\mu_2 - G_{13}\mu_3$$
$$= G_{21}(V_1 - V_2) + G_{31}(V_1 - V_3)$$

$I_1 = -I_3 - I_2$ (Kirchhoff's Law)

Try!



Physics of MQT: finite voltage bias and temperature

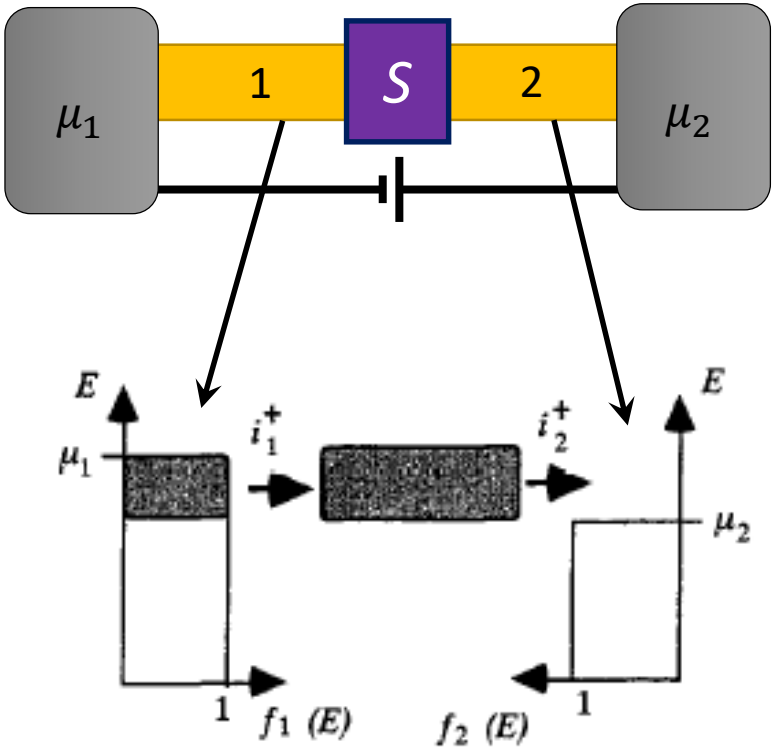
- **Beyond the linear response regime: Kubo's formula is not enough**

  → *S*-matrix, energy-dependent

  → Non-zero temperature

$$I = \frac{2e}{h} MT(\mu_1 - \mu_2) = \frac{2e}{h} MT \int [f_1(E) - f_2(E)]dE$$

$$\mapsto \frac{2e}{h} \sum_n \int T_n(E)[f_1(E) - f_2(E)]dE$$



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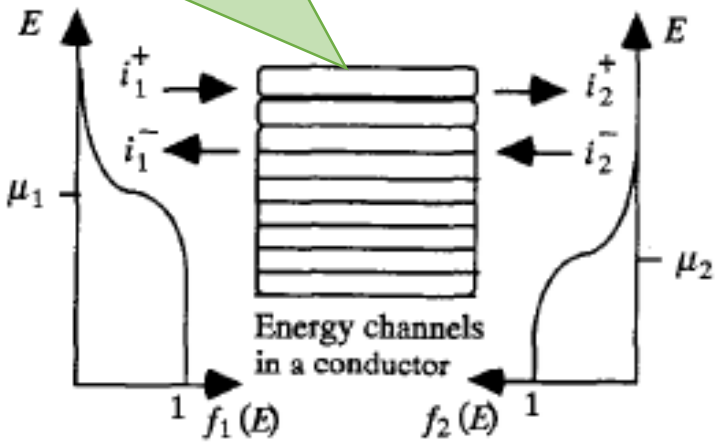


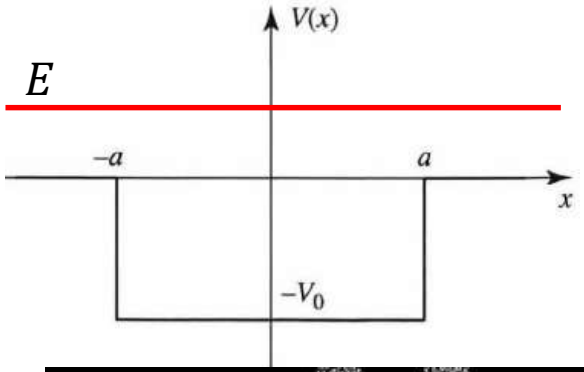
Application of Landauer-Büttiker formalism

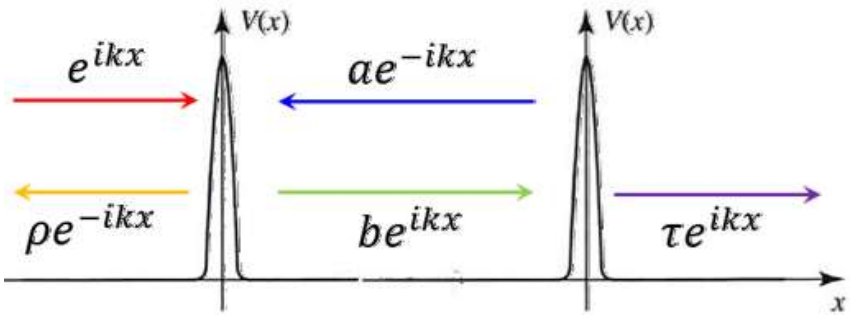
- **Usages of Landauer-Büttiker formalism in research (analytical)**

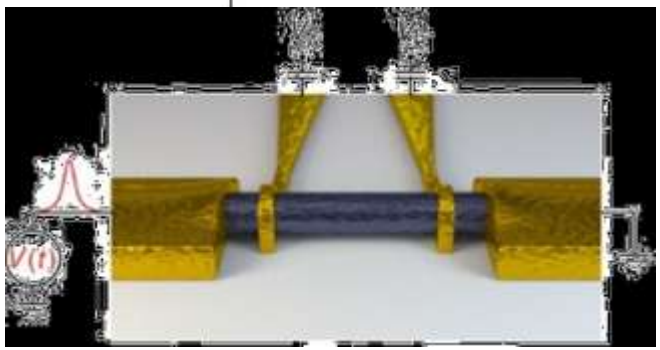
  → **Universal physics**: precise S-matrix may not be required much

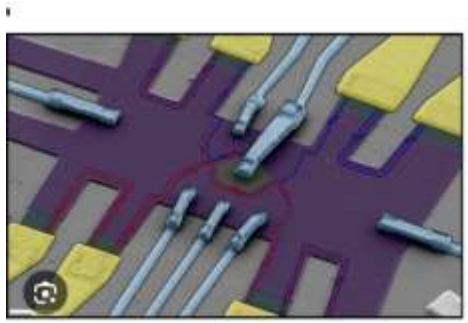
  → **Symmetry**: S-matrix can be known solely from symmetry

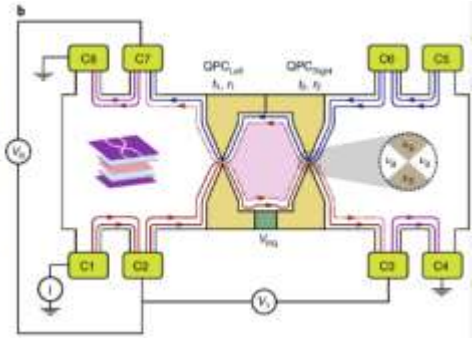
Resonant tunneling in MQT is universal in that particular shapes $V(x)$ or materials do not matter











Beyond coherent & metallic conductions

- **More about Landauer-Büttiker formalism**

  → MQT is quantal: DC current = $\langle \hat{I} \rangle$, i.e., long-time average of current

  → Current shot noise is also available [M. Büttiker, *PRB* **46**, 12485 (1992)]

  → Periodically driven quantum pumps can be dealt [M. Büttiker, (1990)]

- **Beyond Landauer-Büttiker formalism: other methods for MQT**

Formalisms	Advantages	Disadvantages
Landauer-Büttiker	Intuitive & quick calculations. Finite voltage bias & temperature	Cannot deal with many-body physics
Kubo's linear response theory	Relatively easy & quick, while allowing many-body physics	Only allows physics around equilibrium states
Master equation	Allowing many-body physics & Nonequilibrium bias & finite temp.	Particularly useful at tunneling regime
Keldysh formalism	All the above	Not so easy for everyone

Overview

- **Recap. of the last lecture: Mesoscopic Quantum Transport (MQT)**

  → It has been exactly 1 year!

- **MQT and low-energy theory in condensed matter systems**

  → Low-energy effective theory by $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method

- **$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method & Mesoscopic Interactions**

  → Mesoscopic Spin-orbit, Rashba, Zeeman interactions

- **MQT in action**

  → $\frac{dI}{dV}$ of topological systems calculating S-matrix

- **What left beyond today's lecture**

Mesoscopic Quantum Transport in 2 hours!

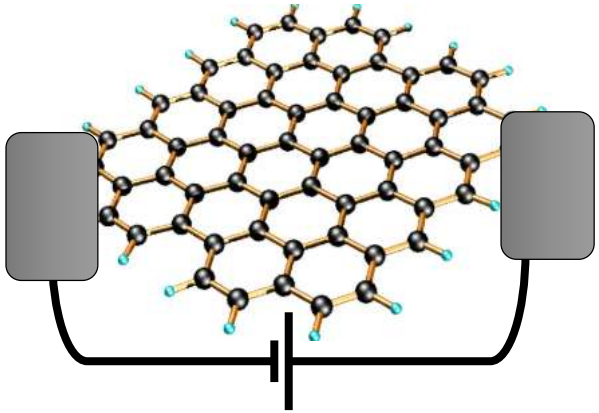
MQT: scales matter always

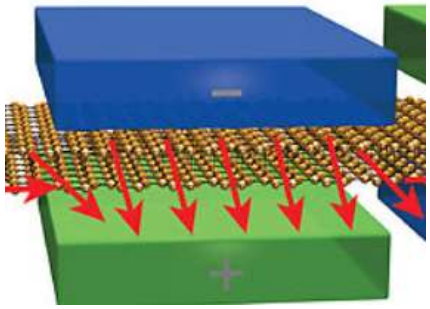
- **MQT in condensed matter systems under interactions?**

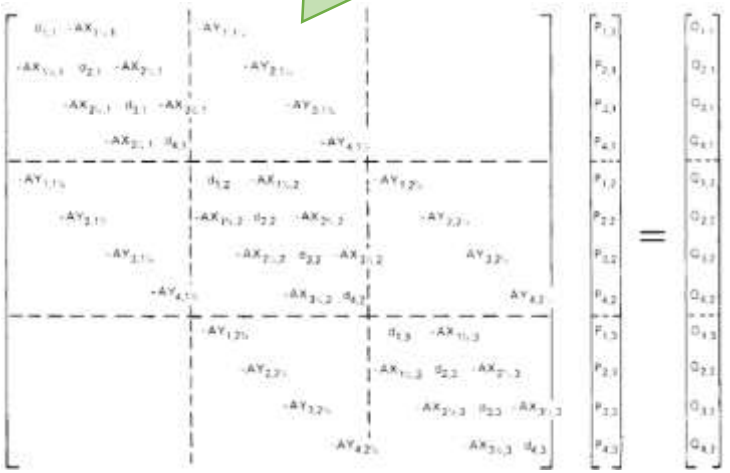
  → Landauer-Büttiker formalism: S-matrix is the central quantity!

$$I = \frac{2e}{h}\int T(E)[f_1(E) - f_2(E)]dE$$

Condensed matter's S-matrix?







MQT: scales matter always

- **MQT in condensed matter systems under interactions?**

→ Current at (nearly) zero temp.

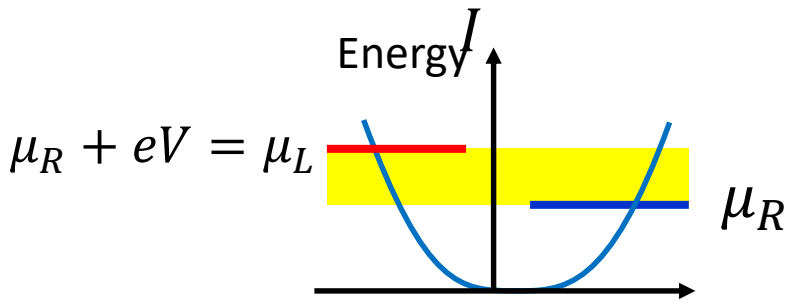
$$I = I(V) = \frac{2e}{h}\int_{\mu_R}^{\mu_L} T(E)dE$$

S-matrix only around particular energies

→ Differential conductance at (nearly) zero temp.

$$\frac{dI}{dV} = \frac{I(V+dV)-I(V)}{dV} = \frac{2e^2}{h}T(\mu_L)$$

Yields selected quantum propagations



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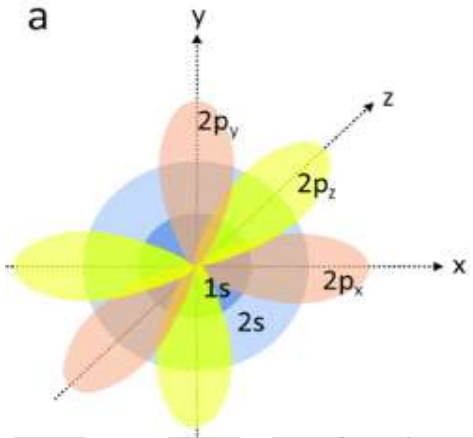

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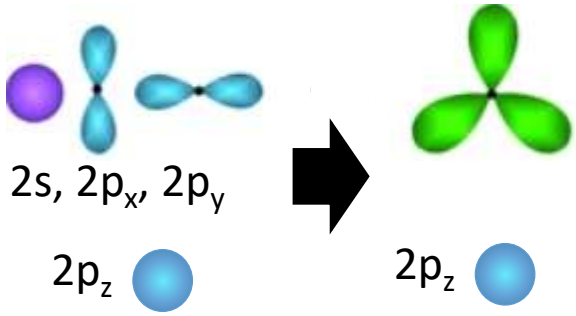

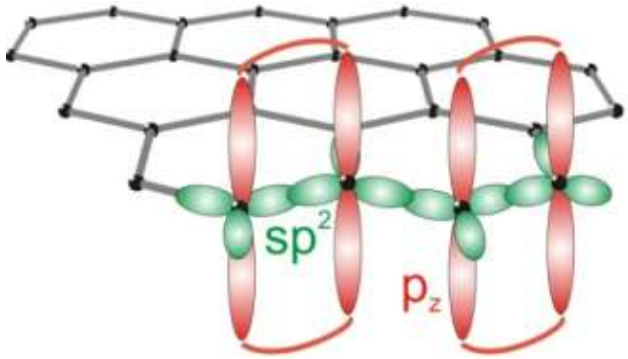

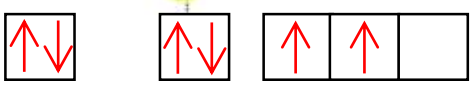

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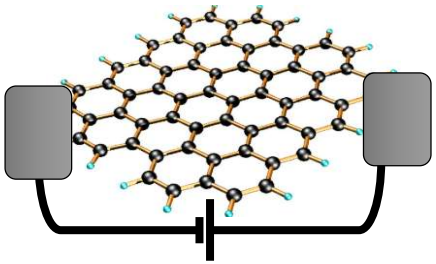
1s	2s	$2p_{x,y,z}$



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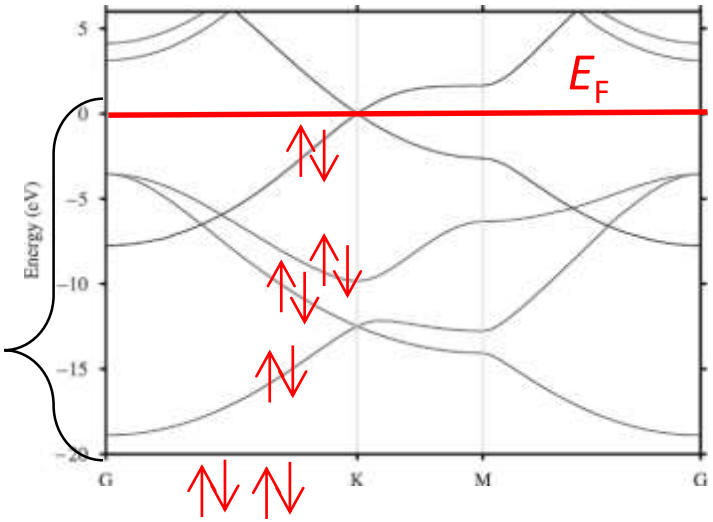

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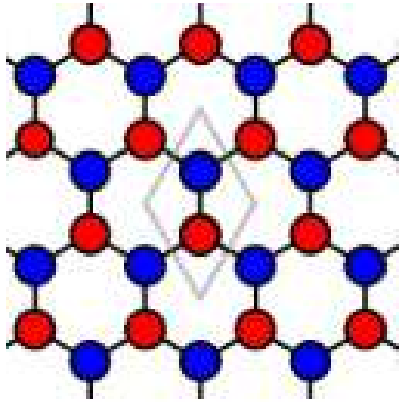

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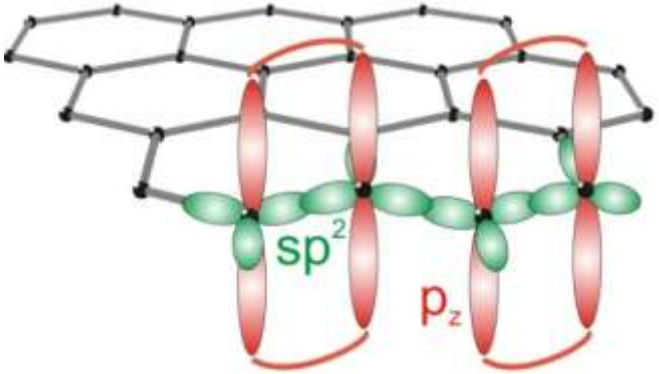

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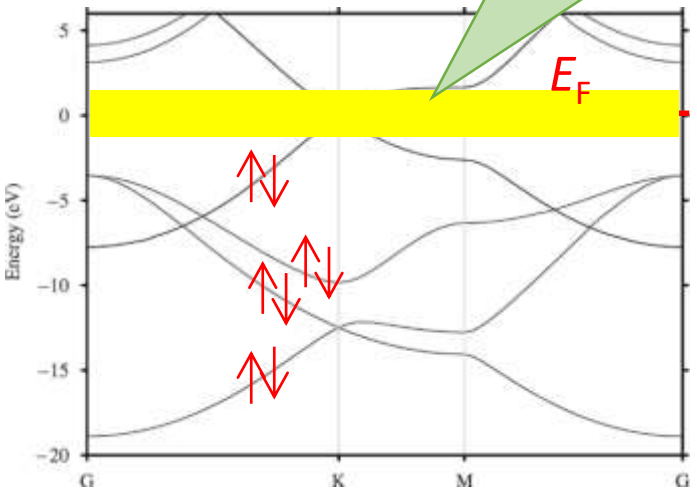
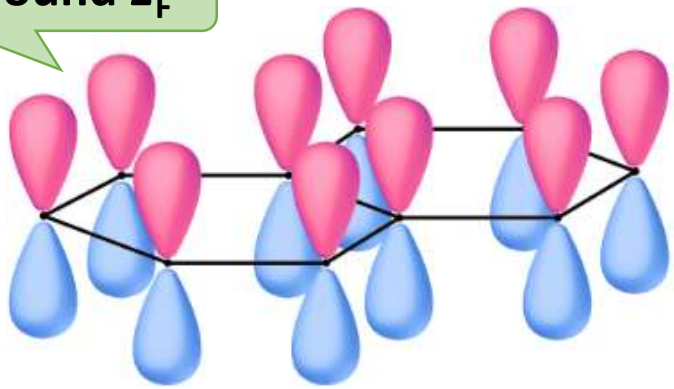


Around E_F



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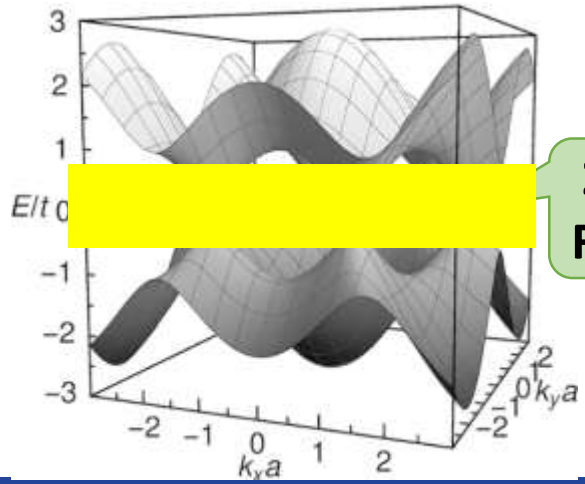

2D Dirac Fermions

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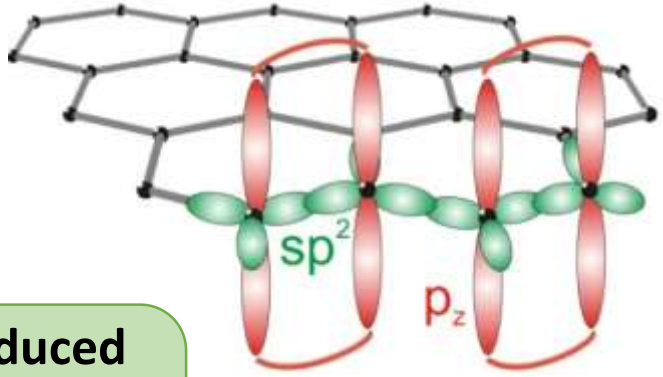

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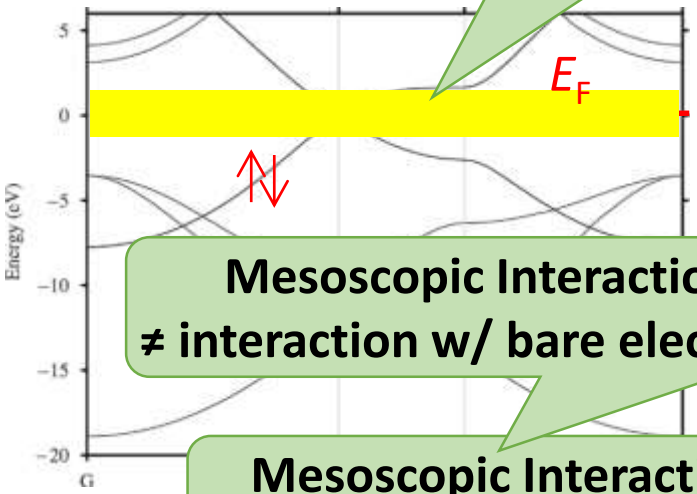
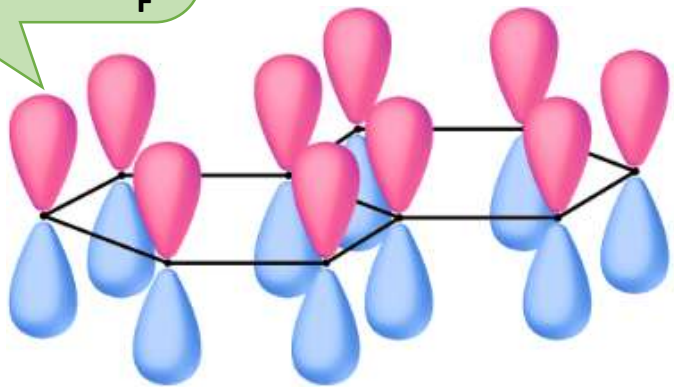


Conduction occurs around this energy

Mesoscopic Interaction ≠ interaction w/ bare electrons

Mesoscopic Interaction breaks Inversion Symmetry

Reduced degree of freedom around E_F



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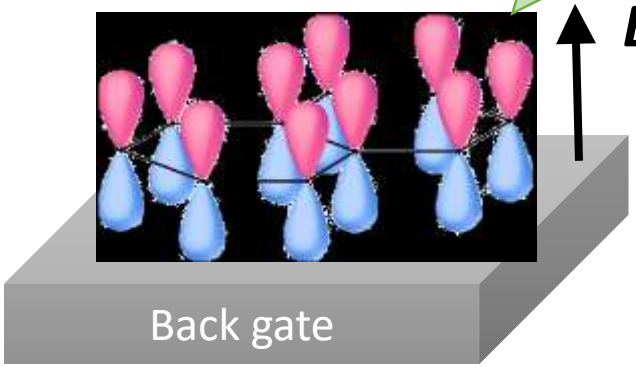


***E*-field**

MQT and low-energy theory w/ mesoscopic interactions

- **Limited energy window, so what?**

→ In the case of graphene

$\hat{H}(\vec{k})$ **is a 7 by 7 matrix**

= 6 valence bands + 1 conduction band
(without considering spins)

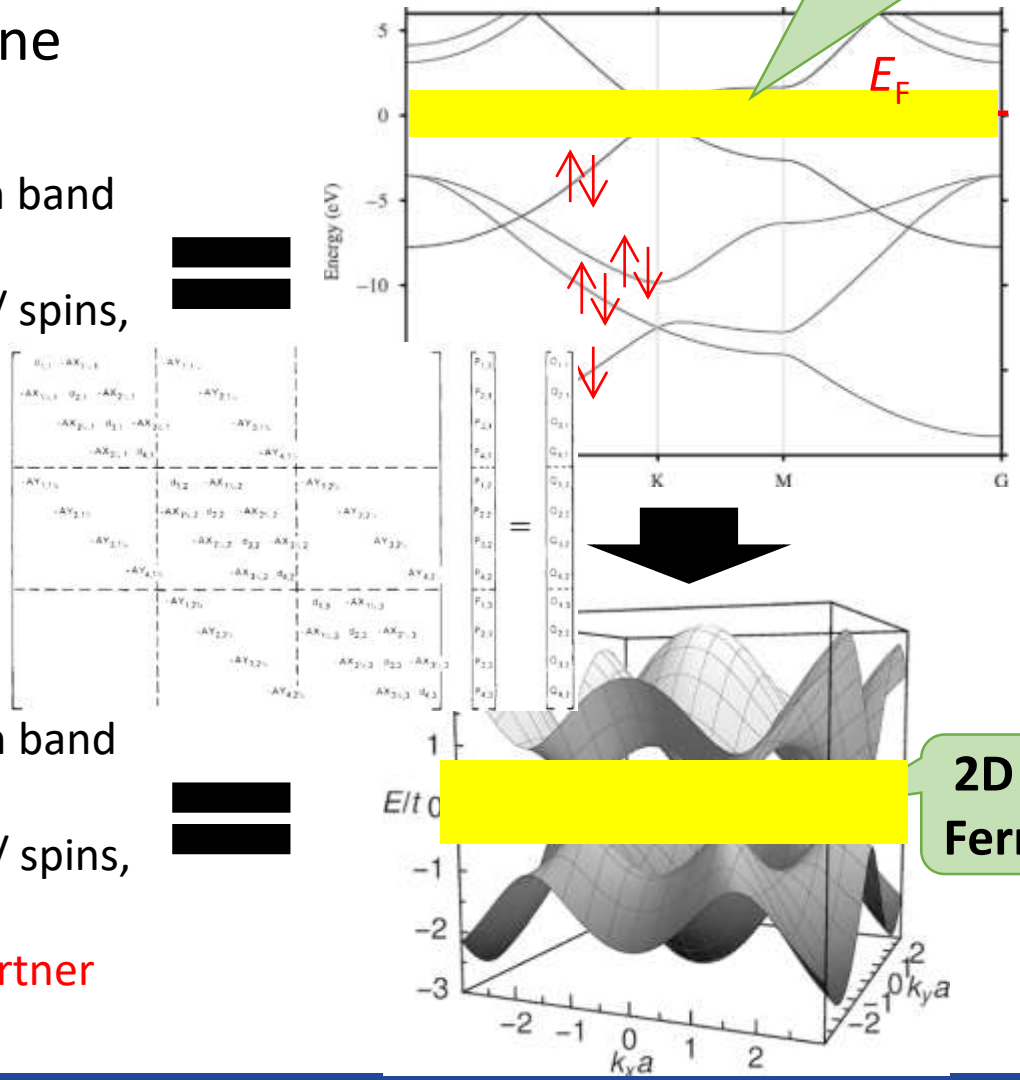
※ If we consider interactions w/ spins,
it's doubled: 14 by 14 matrix

$\hat{H}(\vec{k})$ **is a 2 by 2 matrix**

= 1 valence bands + 1 conduction band
(without considering spins)

※ If we consider interactions w/ spins,
it's doubled: 4 by 4 matrix

※ *K*'-valley is a time-reversal partner
of *K*-valley



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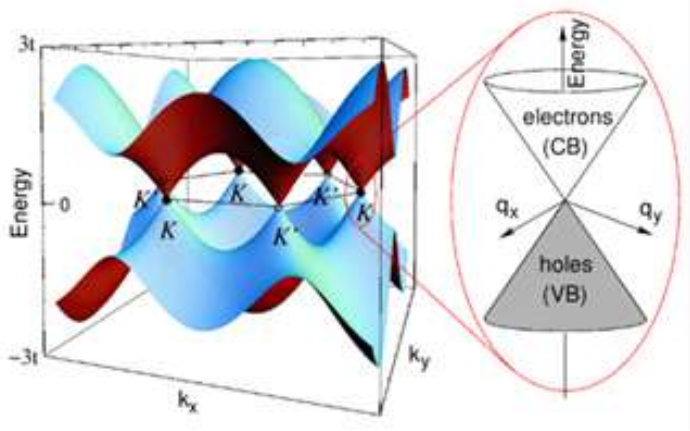
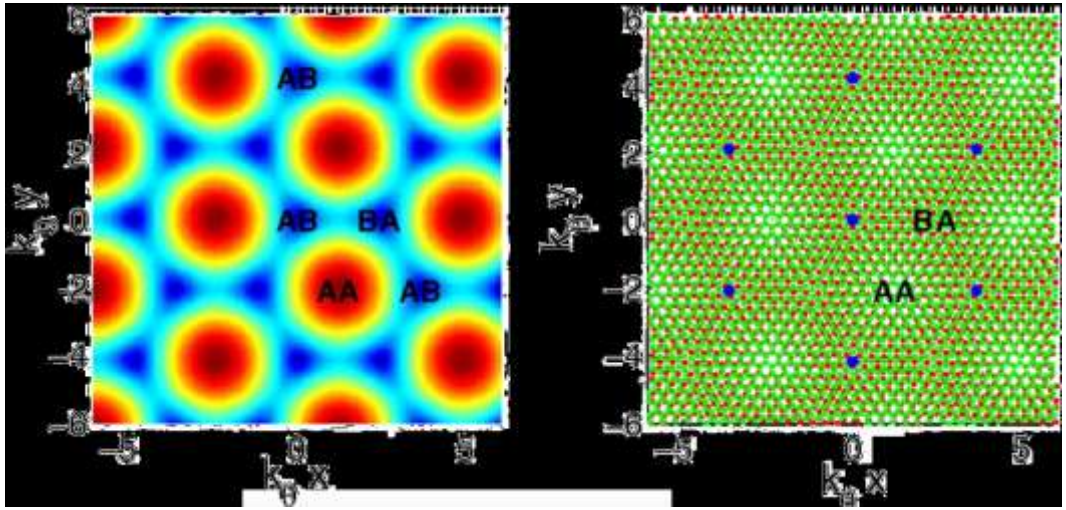
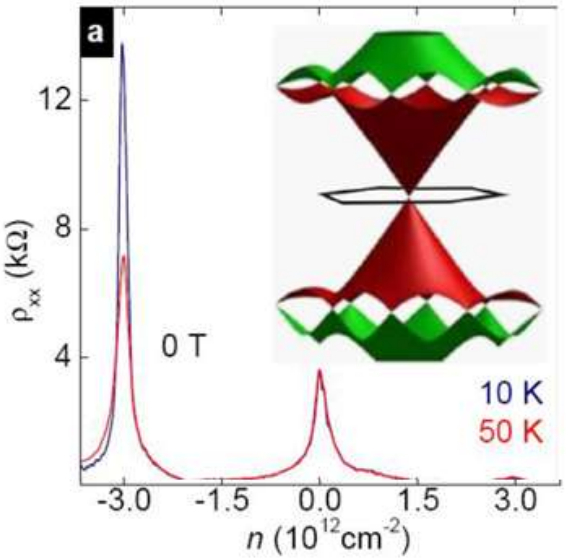


2D relativistic Dirac fermion

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}} = v_F \vec{p} \cdot \hat{\sigma} = v_F \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_x - ip_y \\ p_x + ip_y & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Pseudospin-momentum locking





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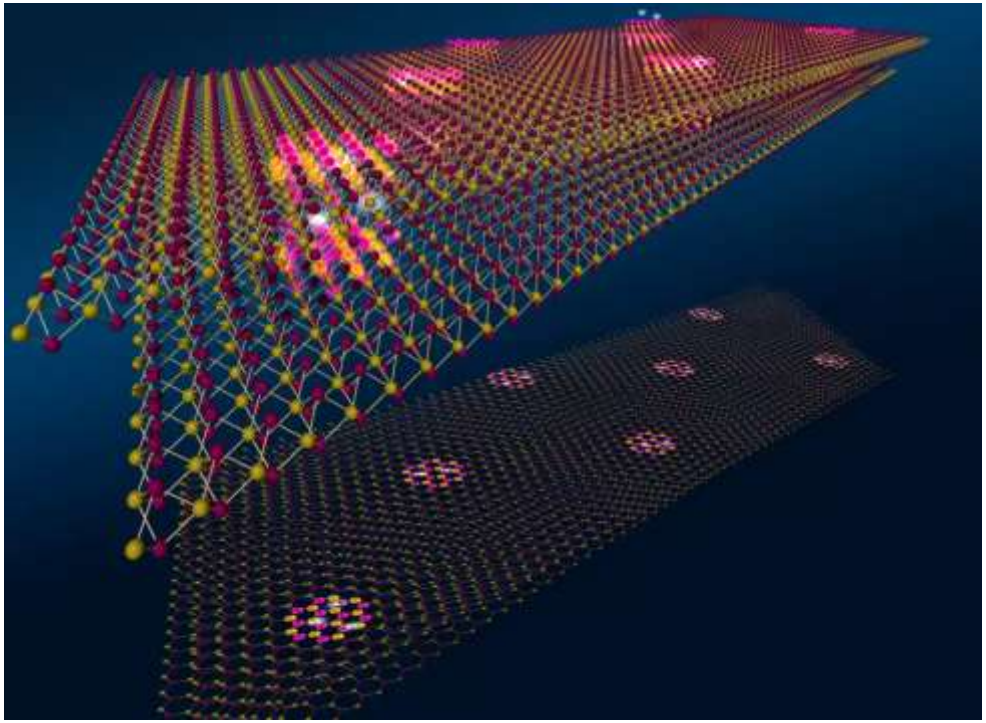

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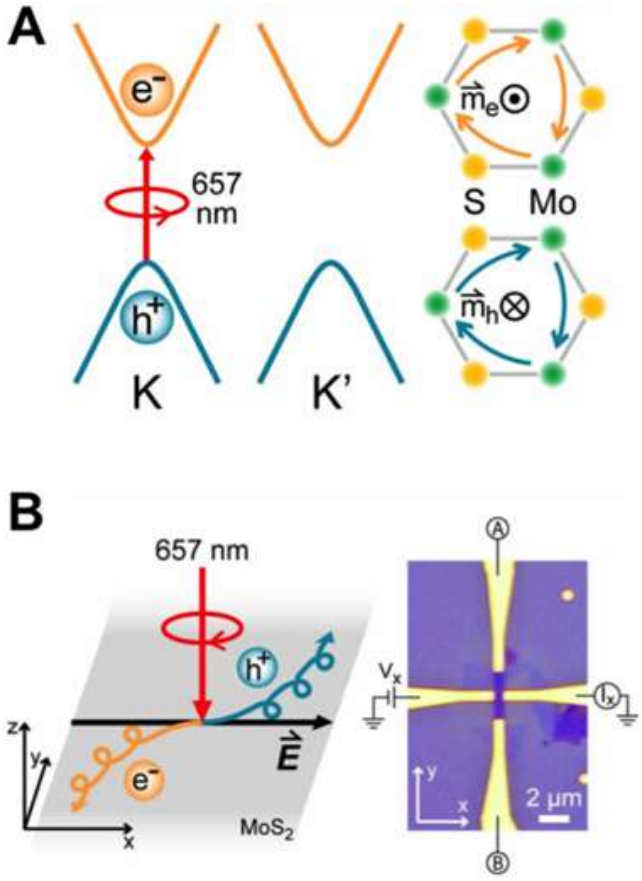

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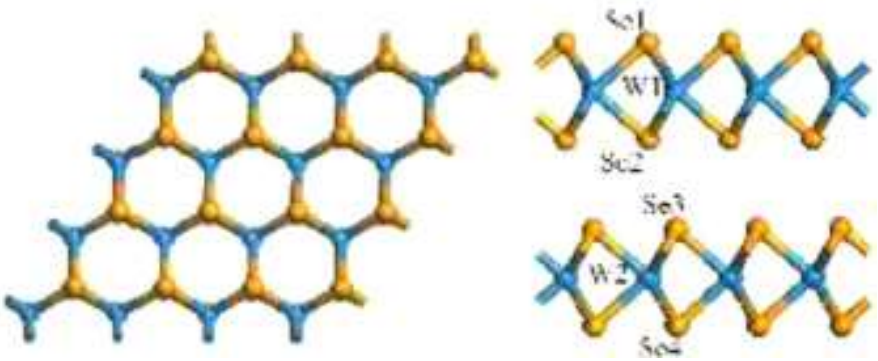

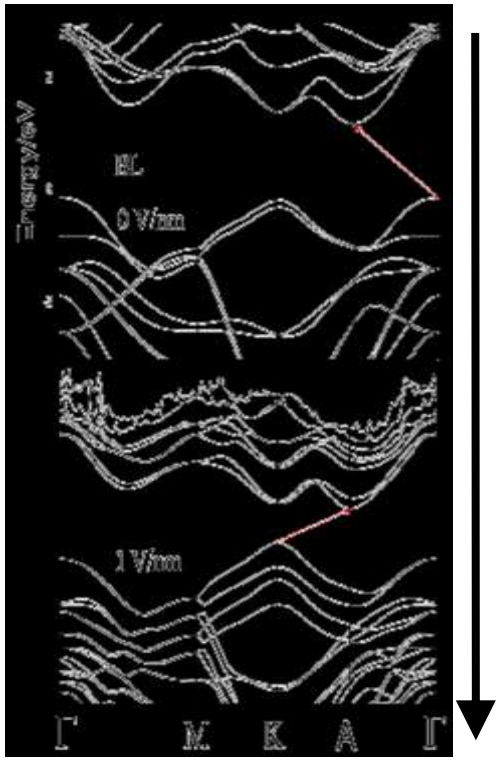

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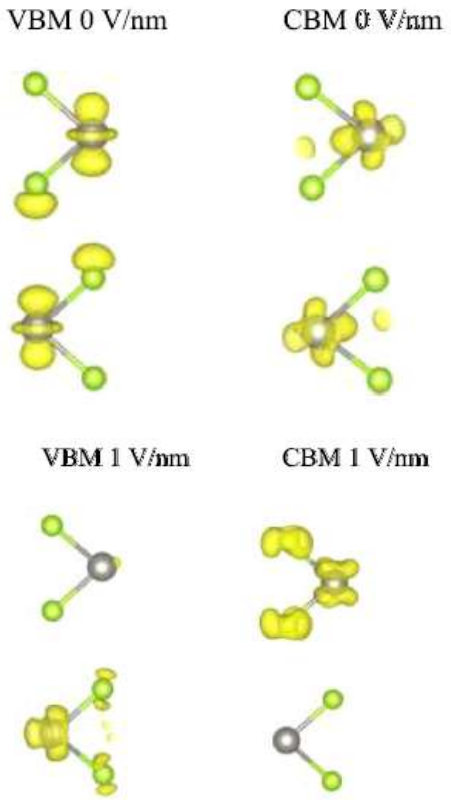

chalcogenide

Transition Metal

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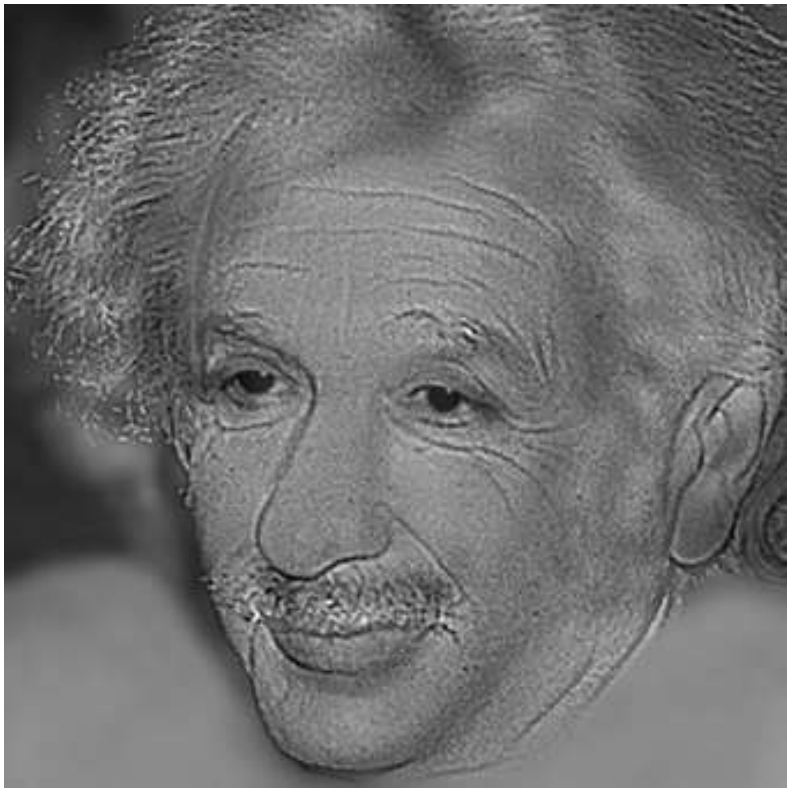
$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method in action: formalism

- **Low-energy effective Hamiltonian:** $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method

  → How does a system looks around a particular momentum



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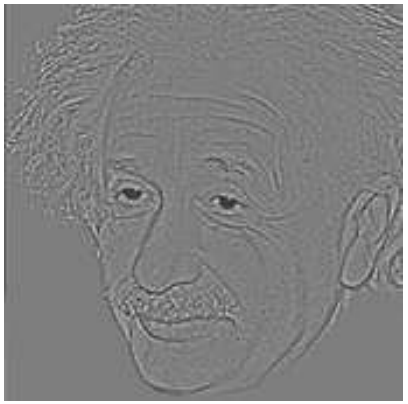

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$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method in action: formalism

- **Low-energy effective Hamiltonian:** $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method

→ How does a system looks around a particular momentum $\vec{k}$

→ There will be eigenstates $|n\vec{k}\rangle$ of the full Hamiltonian $\hat{H}$

$$\hat{H}\left(\vec{k}\right)|n\vec{k}\rangle = E_n\left(\vec{k}\right)|n\vec{k}\rangle$$

→ Select subspace of the full Hilbert space with *n*'s such that $E_n\left(\vec{k}\right)$ is around Fermi energy. Let's say those are *n*=1,2

→ Matrix representation of the low-energy Hamiltonian around E_F

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(\vec{p}) = \begin{pmatrix} \langle 1\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|1\vec{k}\rangle & \langle 1\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|2\vec{k}\rangle \\ \langle 2\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|1\vec{k}\rangle & \langle 2\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|2\vec{k}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

You can choose n's as many as you want

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- **Philosophy behind** $\vec{k}\cdot\vec{p}$-method

→ Put $\vec{p}=0$

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} \langle 1\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k})|1\vec{k}\rangle & \langle 1\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k})|2\vec{k}\rangle \\ \langle 2\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k})|1\vec{k}\rangle & \langle 2\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k})|2\vec{k}\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} E_{1\vec{k}} & 0 \\ 0 & E_{2\vec{k}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Exact

→ If $\vec{p}$ is small,

$$|n,\vec{k}+\vec{p}\rangle \approx |n,\vec{k}\rangle$$

1st order Perturbation (2nd order is often used)

→ Accordingly,

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(\vec{p}) = \begin{pmatrix} \langle 1\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|1\vec{k}\rangle & \langle 1\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|2\vec{k}\rangle \\ \langle 2\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|1\vec{k}\rangle & \langle 2\vec{k}|\hat{H}(\vec{k}+\vec{p})|2\vec{k}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method in action: Low-energy effective *H*

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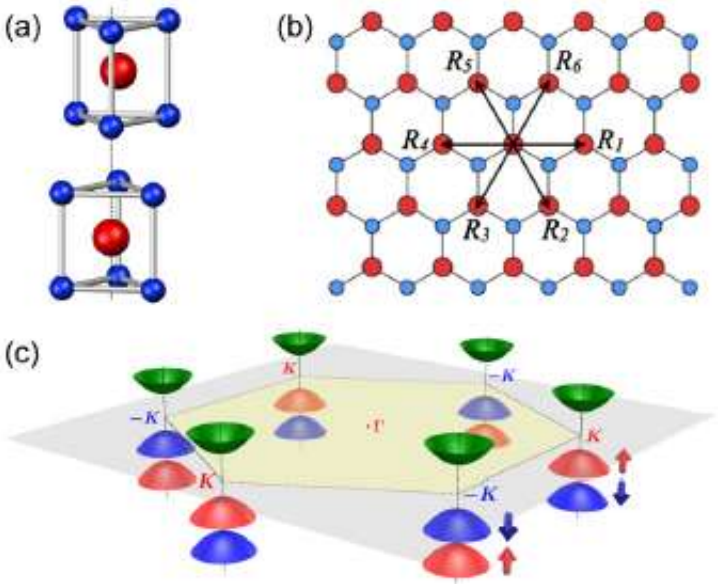

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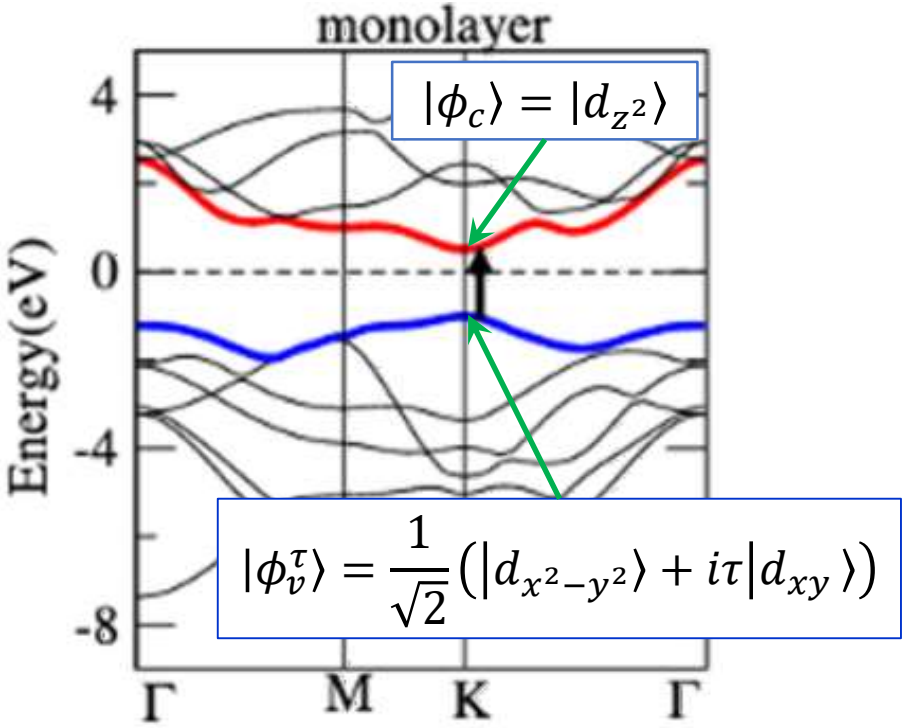

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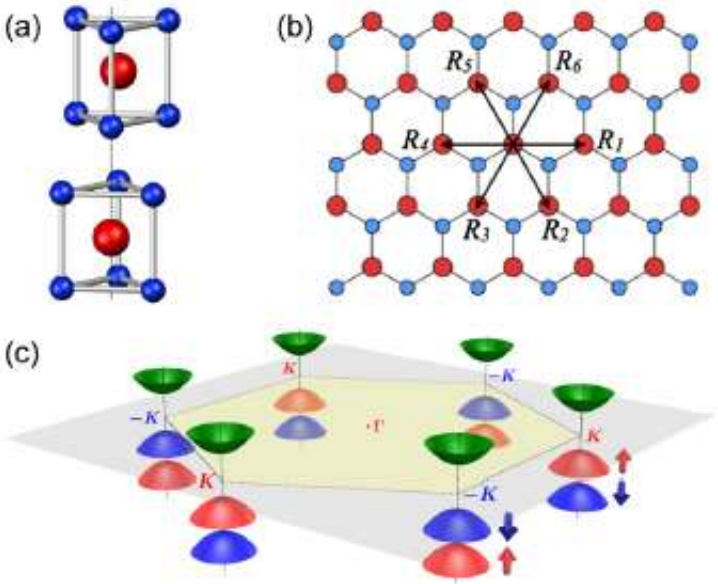

FIG. 1 (color online). (a) The unit cell of bulk 2*H*-MoS_2, which has the inversion center located in the middle plane. It contains two unit cells of MoS_2 monolayers, which lacks an inversion center. (b) Top view of the MoS_2 monolayer. $\boldsymbol{R}_i$ are the vectors connecting nearest Mo atoms. (c) Schematic drawing of the band structure at the band edges located at the *K* points.

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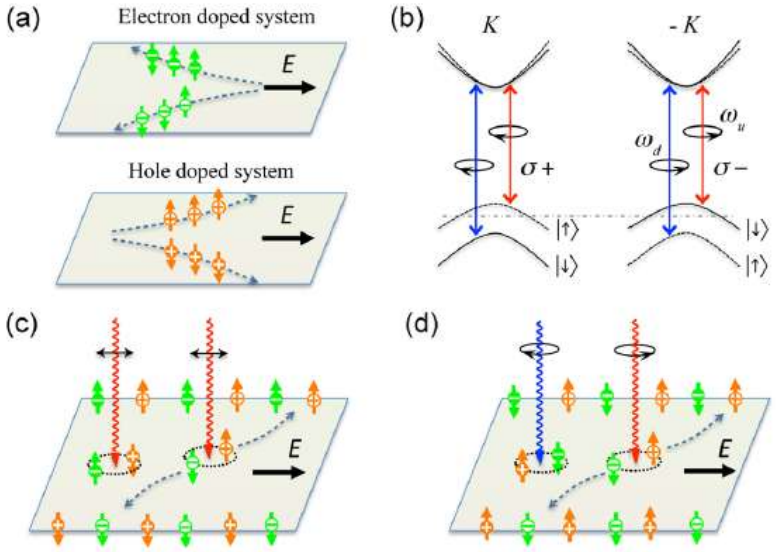

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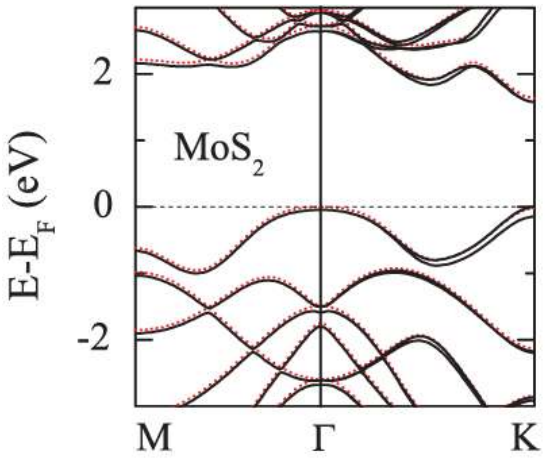

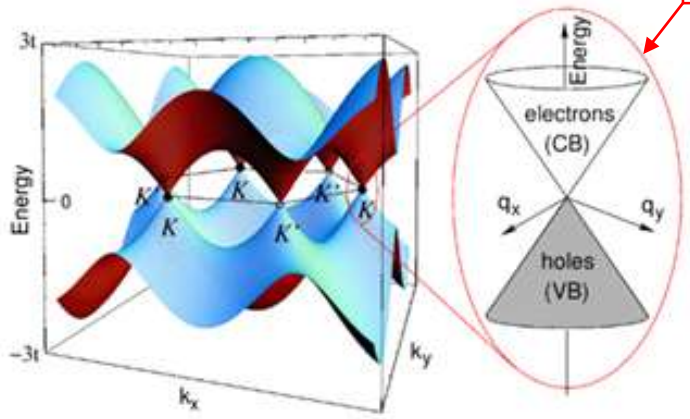

Graphene

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Counting Symmetry

e.g., Time-reversal symmetry

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$\hat{\Theta}^{-1}\hat{H}_0^{\tau}\hat{\Theta} = \hat{\sigma}_y\left(\hat{H}_0^{\tau}\right)^*\hat{\sigma}_y = \hat{H}_0^{-\tau}$?

where $\hat{\Theta}^{-1} = -i\hat{\sigma}_y K$.

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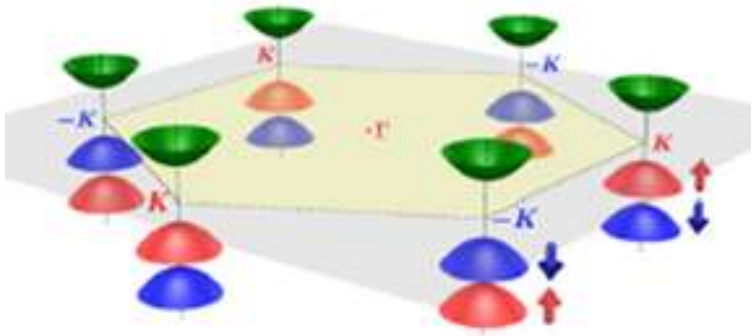

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  → PRL **108**, 196802 (2012)

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$$\hat{\Theta}|\phi_v^{\tau}\rangle = |\phi_v^{-\tau}\rangle.$$

Now,

$$\hat{\Theta}^{-1}\hat{H}_0^{\tau}\hat{\Theta} = \left[at\left(-i\tau\partial_x\hat{\sigma}_x - i\partial_y\hat{\sigma}_y\right) + \frac{\Delta}{2}\hat{\sigma}_z\right]^*$$

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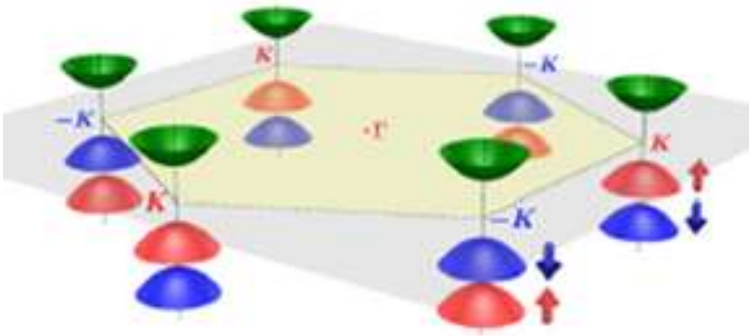

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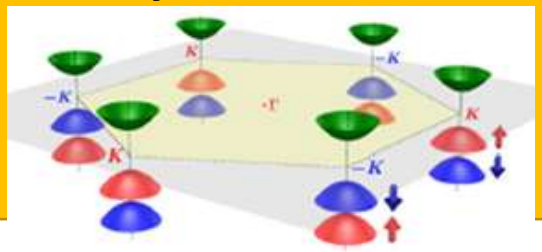

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Intrinsic and Rashba spin-orbit interactions in graphene sheet

→ PRB **74**, 165310 (2006); Mesoscopic interactions are

$$\hat{V} = \hat{H}_{SO} + \hat{H}_{EF} = \frac{1}{2(m_e c)^2}(\nabla \times \vec{p})\cdot\vec{S} + eE\sum_i z_i$$

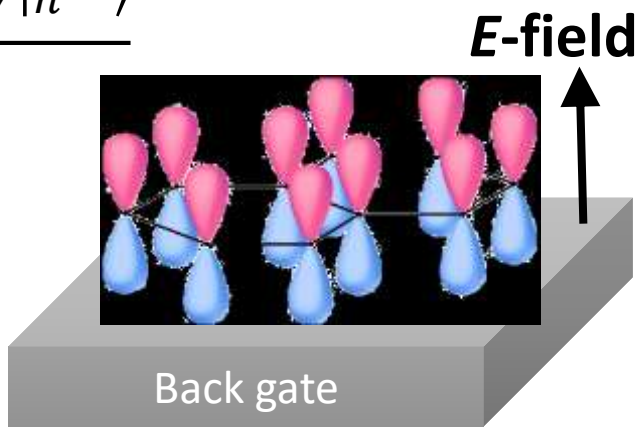
i is the lattice site index

→ The 1st order perturbation in $\vec{k}\cdot\vec{p}$-method vanishes

→ The 2nd degenerate perturbation

Leonard I. Schiff, *Quantum Mechanics*, McGraw-Hill, New York, (1968)

$$V^{(2)}_{m,n} = \sum_{l\notin D} \frac{\langle m^{(0)}|V|l^{(0)}\rangle\langle l^{(0)}|V|n^{(0)}\rangle}{E_E - E_l^{(0)}}$$



→ Low-energy sector

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} |K, p_z A, \uparrow\rangle, |K, p_z A, \downarrow\rangle, |K', p_z A, \uparrow\rangle, |K', p_z A, \downarrow\rangle, \\ |K, p_z B, \uparrow\rangle, |K, p_z B, \downarrow\rangle, |K', p_z B, \uparrow\rangle, |K', p_z B, \downarrow\rangle \end{Bmatrix}$$

→ Applicable to 2D TMD: $p_z A \mapsto \phi_c$ & $K, p_z B \mapsto \phi_v^+$ & $K', p_z B \mapsto \phi_v^-$

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→ **Mesoscopic Spin-orbit & Rashba interaction**

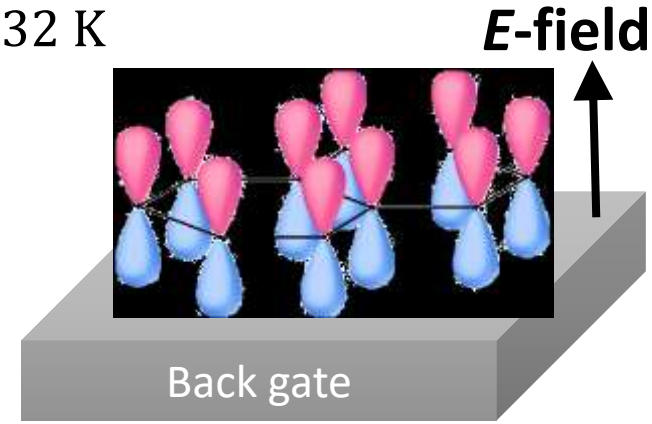
$$V_{\text{eff}} = -\lambda_{SO} + \lambda_{SO}\sigma_z\tau_z s_z + \lambda_R\left(\sigma_x\tau_z s_y - \sigma_z s_x\right)$$

→ Dirac point at K(K')-valley opens a gap $E_g = 2(\lambda_{SO} - \lambda_R)$

→ $2\lambda_{SO} = \frac{|s|}{9(sp\sigma)^2}\xi^2 \approx 0.00114\ \text{meV} \approx k_B \times 0.0132\ \text{K}$

→ $\lambda_R = \frac{eEz_0}{3(sp\sigma)}\xi \propto E$

Mesoscopic interactions depend on the shape of wavefunctions at low-energy



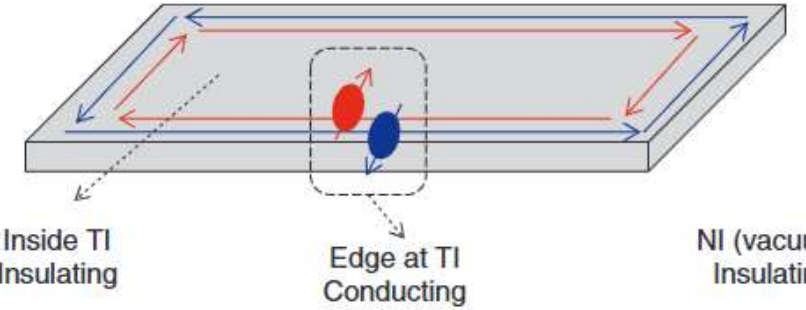
$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method in action: Low-energy effective *H*

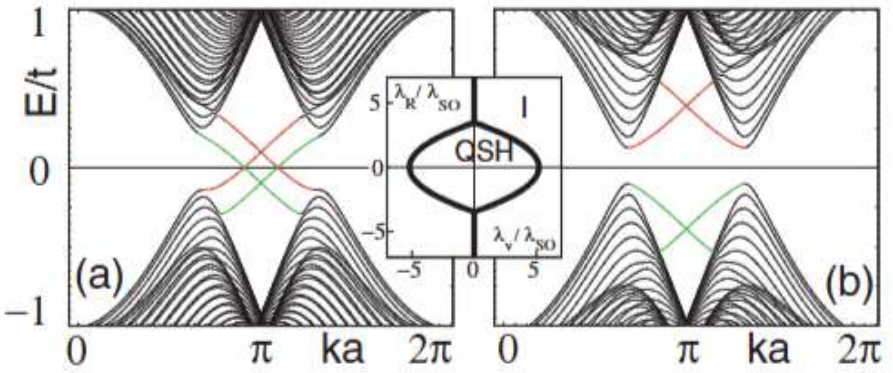
- **Graphene as 2D Topological Insulator (TI)**

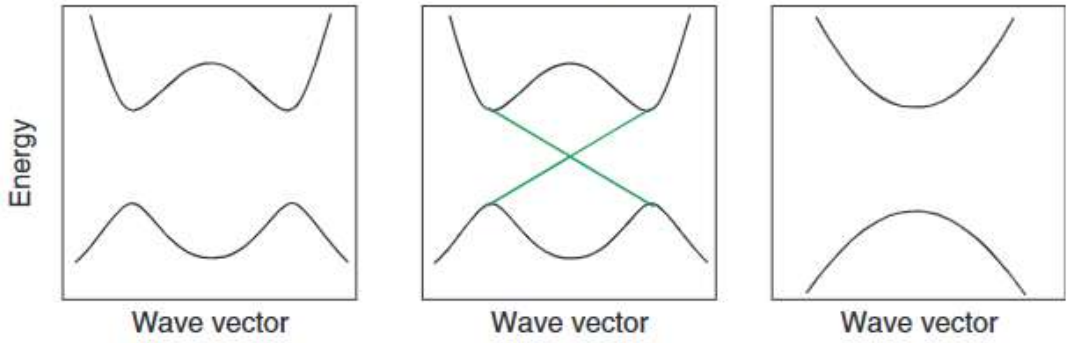
  → PRL **95**, 226801 (2005); Quantum Spin Hall Effect in Graphene

  → PRL **95**, 146802 (2005); Z2 Topological Order and the Quantum Spin Hall Effect

  → Basically, 2D TIs realize the effective H of graphene







$$\lambda_{SO} \approx k_B \times 0.0066\ \mathrm{K}$$
$$\lambda_R \approx k_B \times 0.129\ \mathrm{K}$$
$$\lambda_R/\lambda_{SO} \approx 20$$

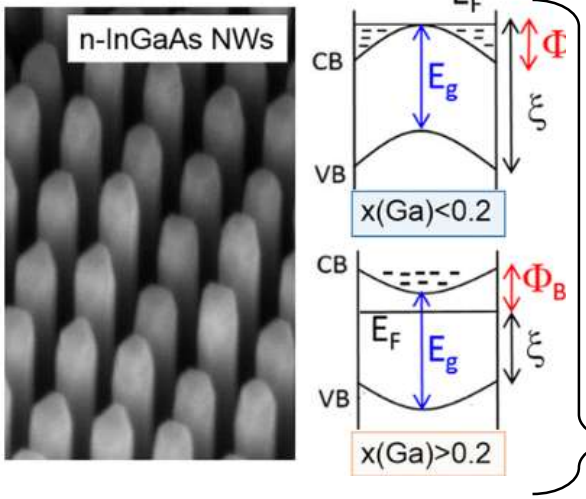
What is Mesoscopic Quantum Transport

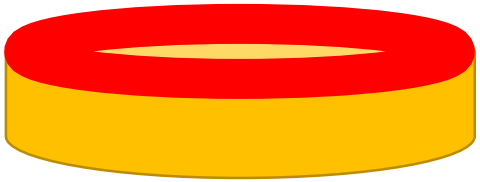
- **Low-energy effective Hamiltonian:** $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method

→ 1D InAs Nanowire?

→ Nano Letters 16, 5135 (2016)

Direct Measurements of Fermi Level Pinning at the Surface of Intrinsically n-Type InGaAs Nanowires





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Strength of Mesoscopic interaction will vary

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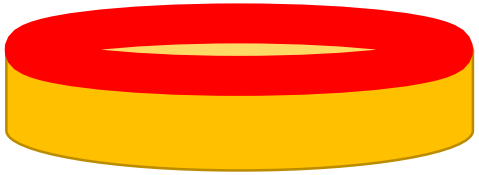

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- **Mesoscopic Zeeman Interaction ≠ Bare Zeeman interaction**

  → Very high Landé g-factor, $g \approx 14$ ($g \approx 2$ for bare electrons)

$$H_Z = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} = g\mu_B \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B}$$

  → Tunable Landé g-factor: PRB **72**, 201307(R) (2005)

  → Tunable Spin-orbit interaction: Nanoscale Adv. **4**, 2642 (2022)

Overview

- **Recap. of the last lecture: Mesoscopic Quantum Transport (MQT)**

  → It has been exactly 1 year!

- **MQT and low-energy theory in condensed matter systems**

  → Low-energy effective theory by $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method

- **$\vec{k} \cdot \vec{p}$-method & Mesoscopic Interactions**

  → Mesoscopic Spin-orbit, Rashba, Zeeman interactions

- **MQT in action**

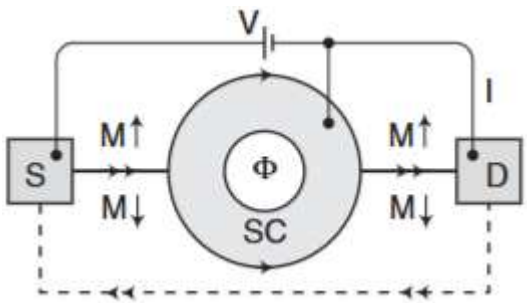
  → $\frac{dI}{dV}$ of topological systems calculating S-matrix

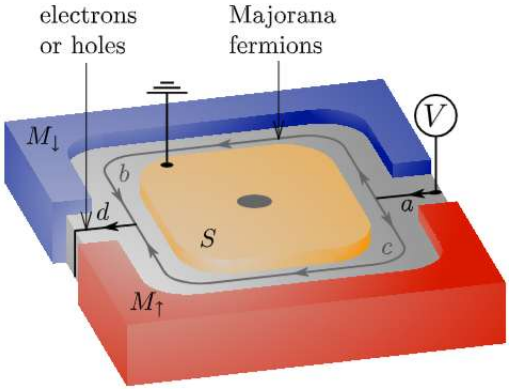
- **What left beyond today's lecture**

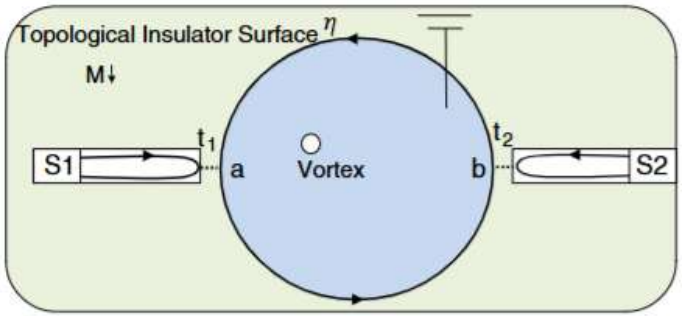
MQT in action: $\frac{dI}{dV}$ of topological system from S-matrix

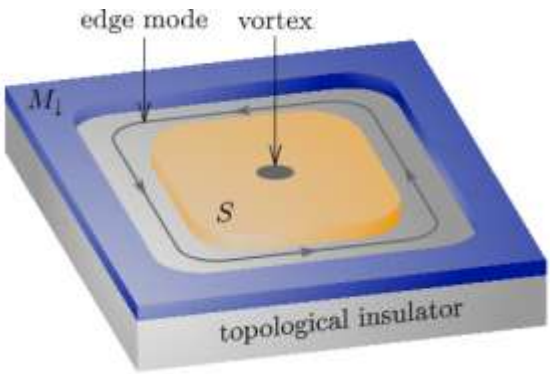
- **Reproducing journal papers: Quantum Transport in TSC**

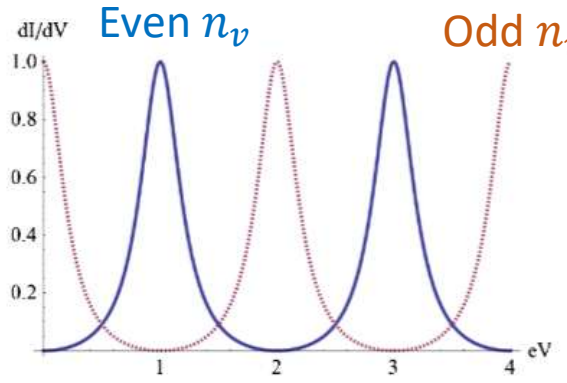
→ PRL **102**, 216403 (2009), PRL **102**, 216404 (2009), and PRL **103**, 237001 (2009)











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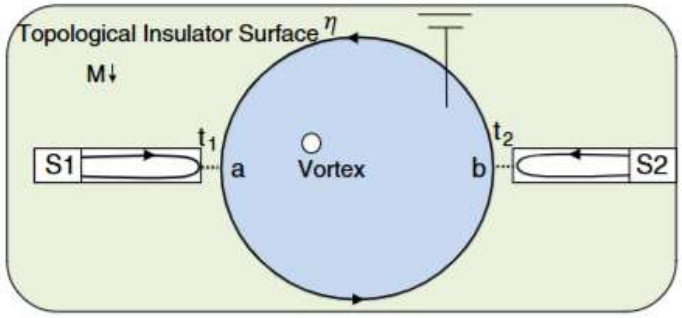
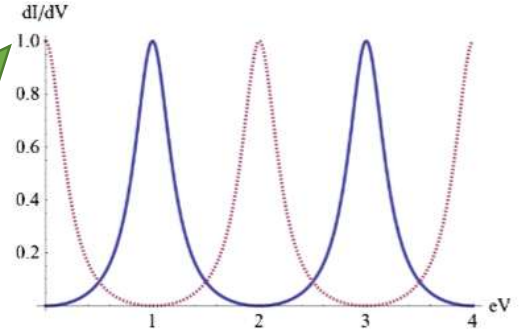
MQT in action: $\frac{dI}{dV}$ of topological system from S-matrix

- **Quantum Transport in TSC**

  → Majorana zero modes (MZM) always come in pair



Conductance quantum, as MZM = equal superposition of electron & hole



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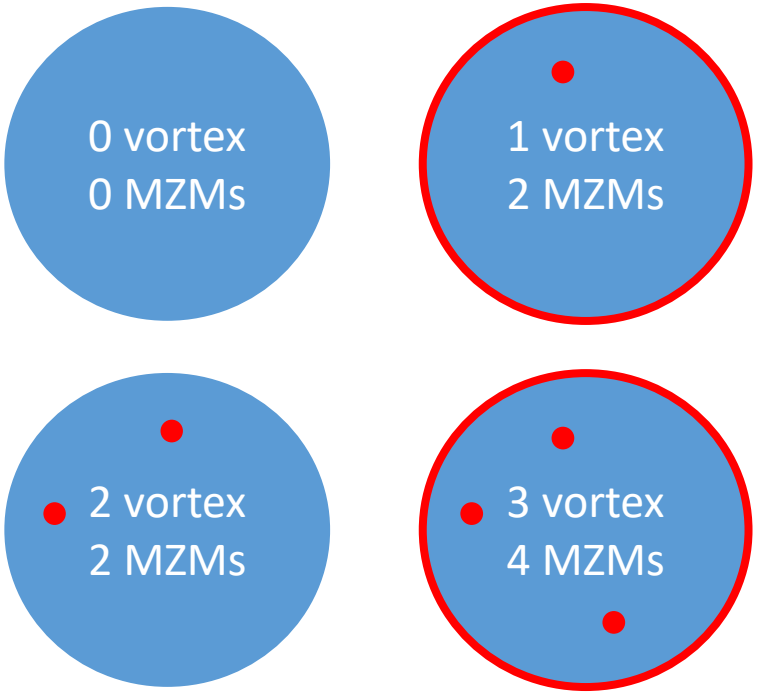

Quantization condition along BC

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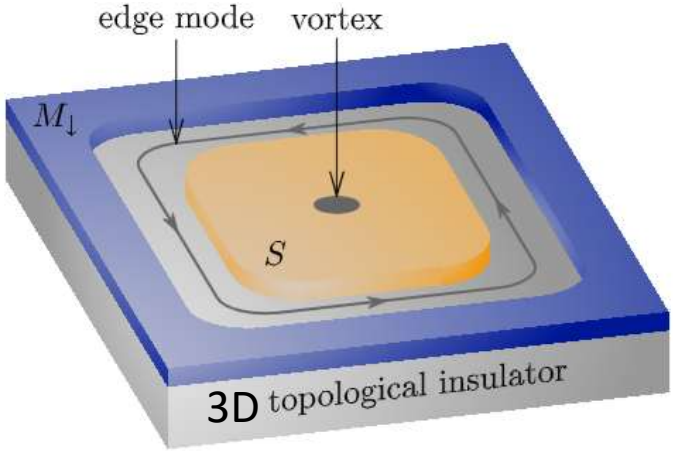

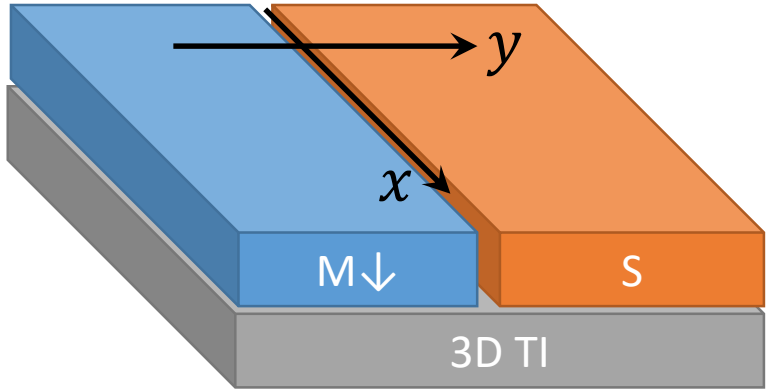

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$\vec{k}\cdot\vec{p}$-method, around $k_x = 0$

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$$\Delta(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0, & y < 0 \\ \Delta e^{i\varphi(x,y)}, & y > 0 \end{cases}$$

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Zero-energy solutions

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Region: $y > 0$

$$\psi(y) \propto e^{-\frac{\Delta}{\hbar v_F}y}\left[C\begin{pmatrix}e^{\frac{i\varphi}{2}}\\0\\0\\e^{-\frac{i\varphi}{2}}\end{pmatrix} + D\begin{pmatrix}0\\e^{\frac{i\varphi}{2}}\\-e^{-\frac{i\varphi}{2}}\\0\end{pmatrix}\right]$$

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- **Wave function matching at y=0**

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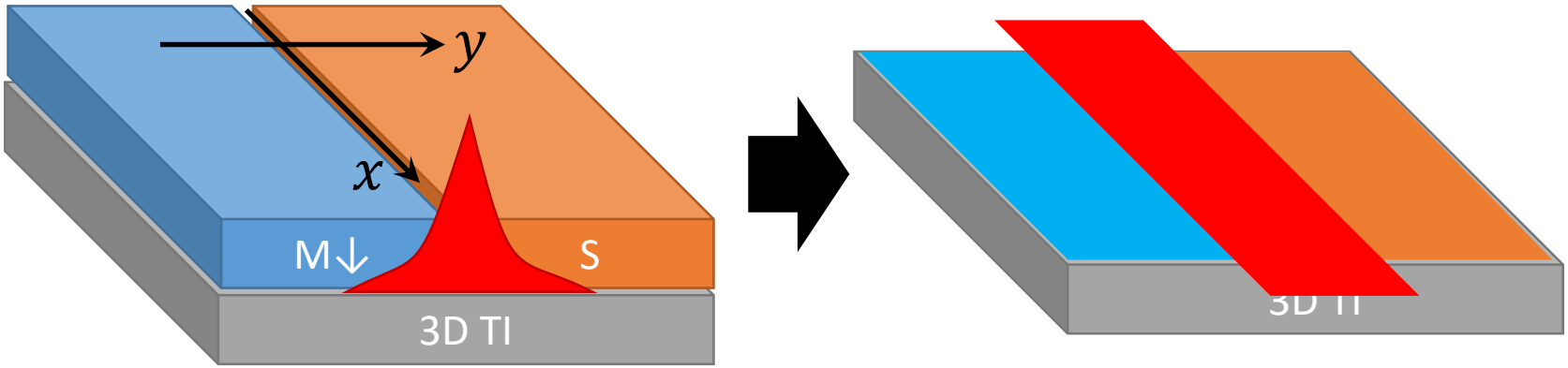

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Particle-hole symmetry is expressed by the anticommutation $H\Xi=-\Xi H$ of the Hamiltonian with the operator

$$\Xi=\begin{pmatrix}0&i\sigma_y\mathcal{C}\\-i\sigma_y\mathcal{C}&0\end{pmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

Try checking $\Xi\psi(y)=\psi(y)$: Majorana mode

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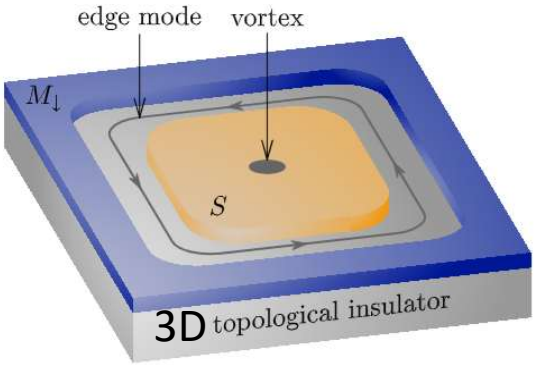

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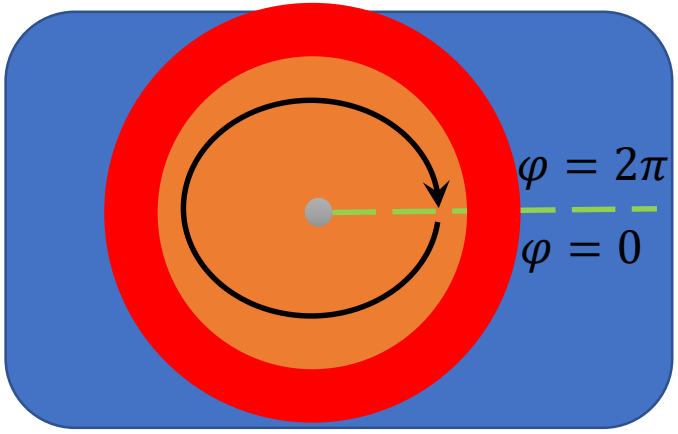

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Mesoscopic Interaction may renormalize v_F

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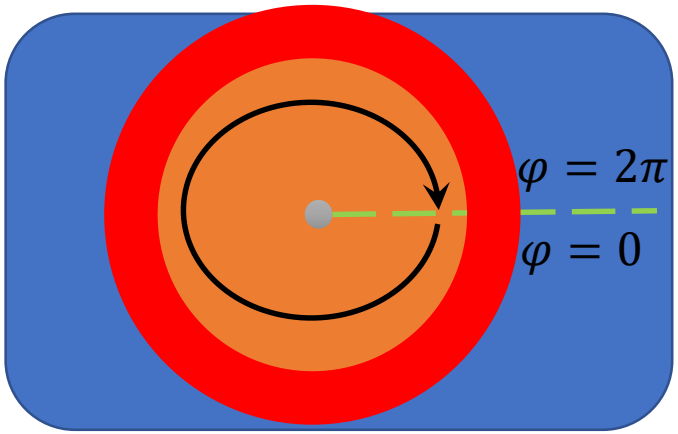

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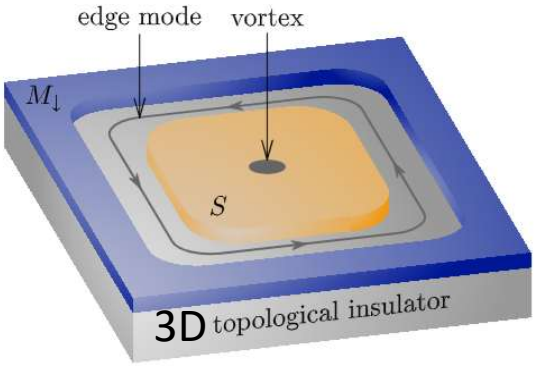

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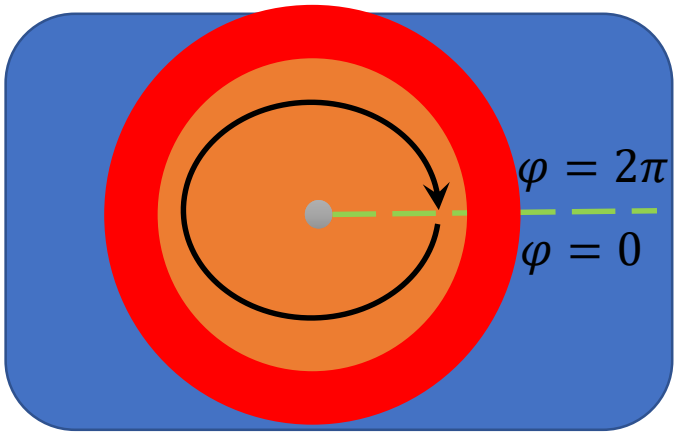

Below spinor rotates along boundary

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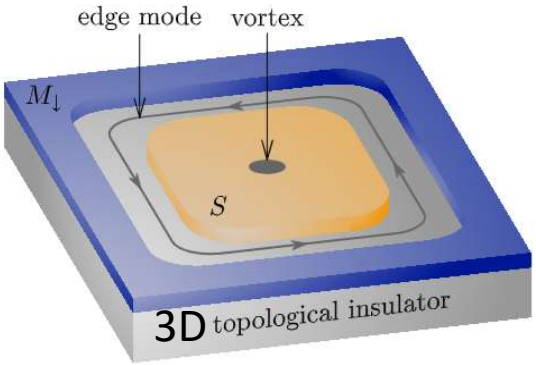

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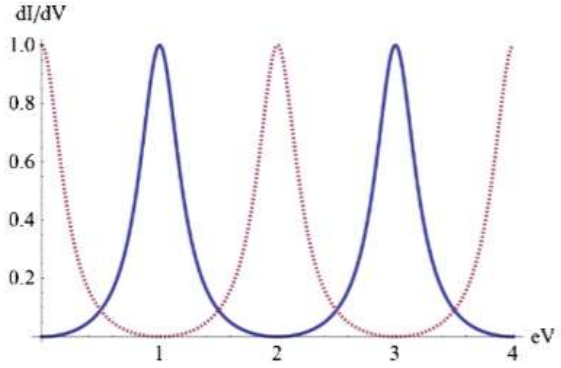

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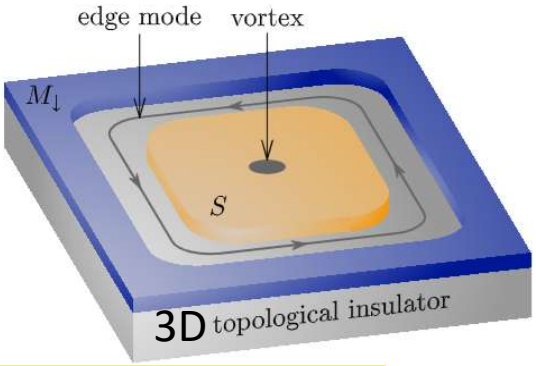
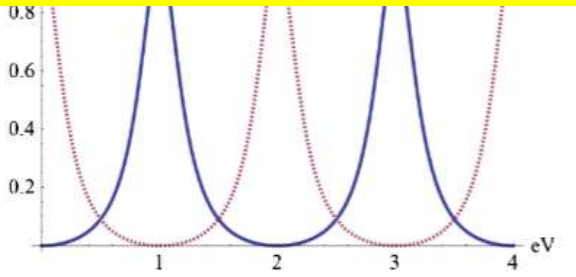


Conductance quantum, as MZM = equal superposition of electron & hole



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- **Try:** derive the low-energy Hamiltonian of below using $\vec{k}\cdot\vec{p}$-method (it should be chiral electron & hole modes)

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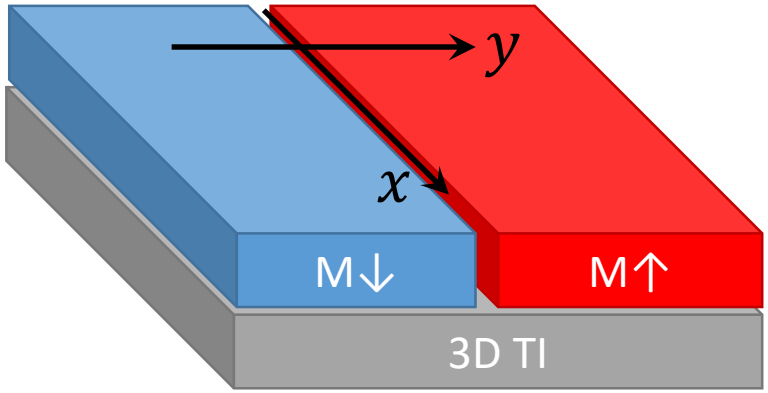

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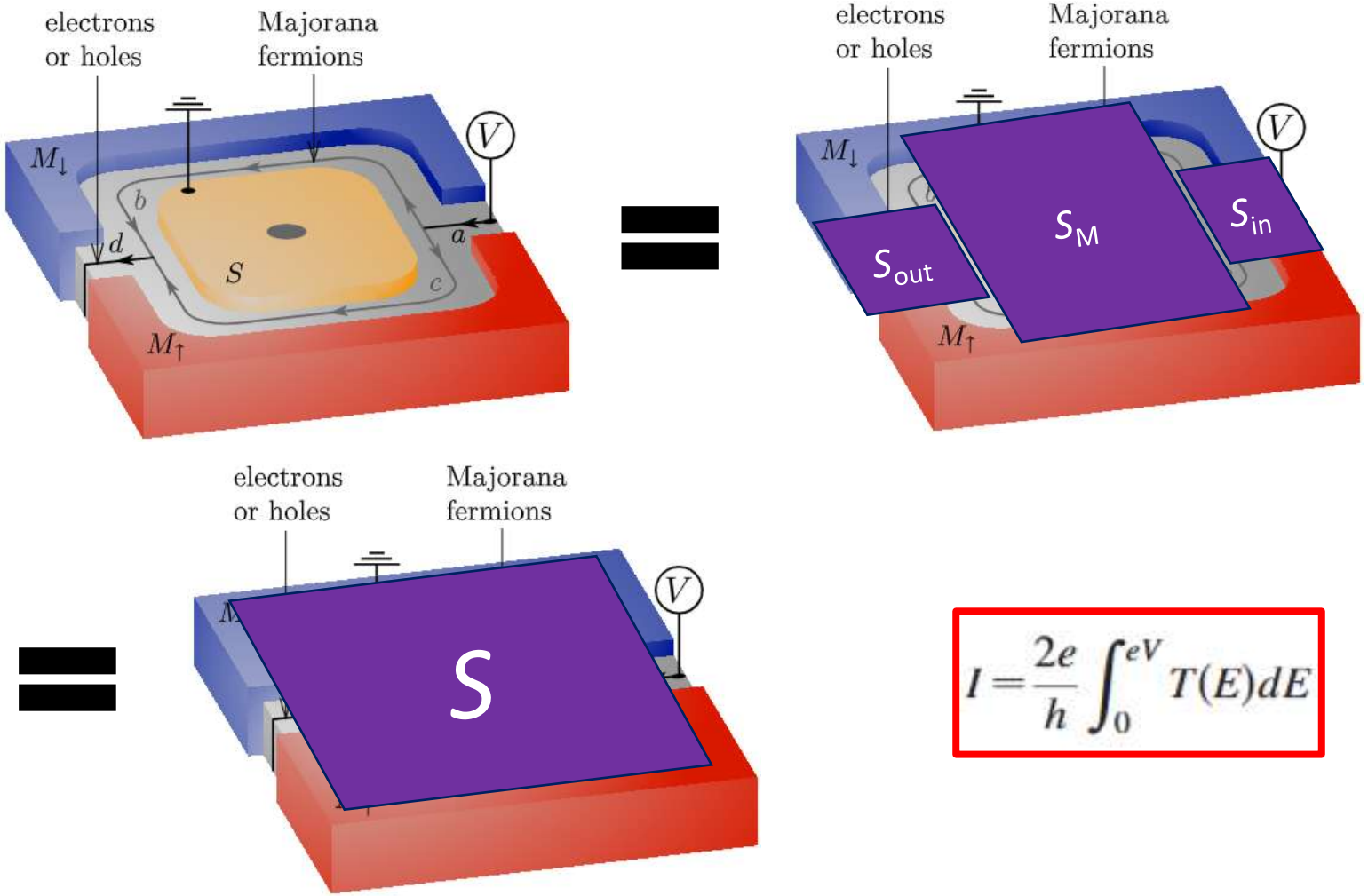
- **Mesoscopic Quantum Transport in TSC using S-matrix**



$$I = \frac{2e}{h}\int_0^{eV} T(E)dE$$

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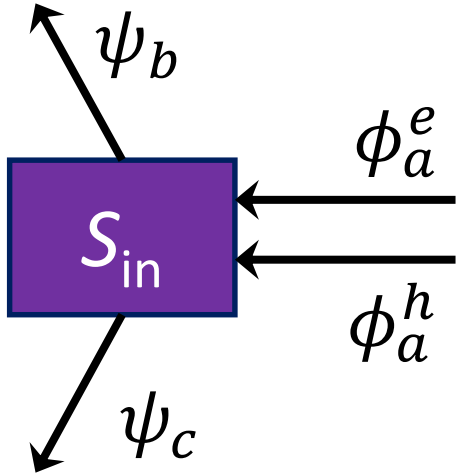

$\rightarrow \left|\Psi_{in}^E\right\rangle = \phi_a^e|\phi_a^e\rangle + \phi_a^h|\phi_a^h\rangle$ is an incoming state at energy E.

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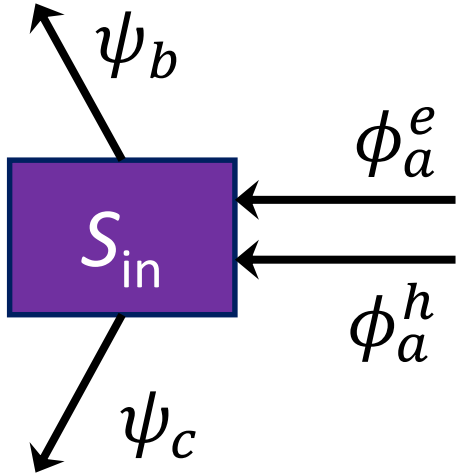

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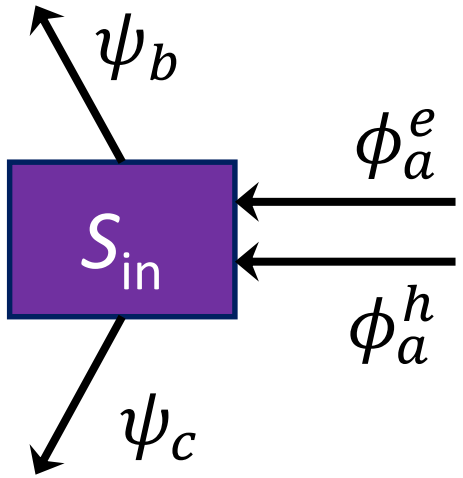

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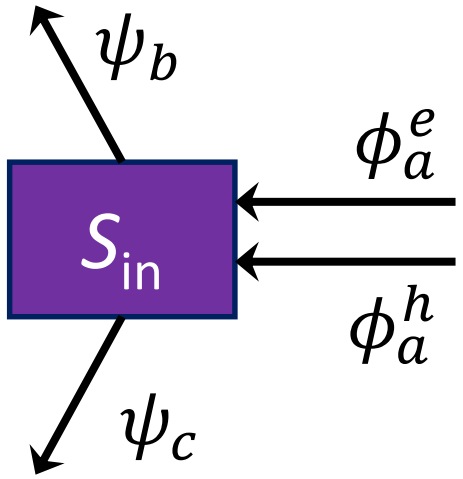

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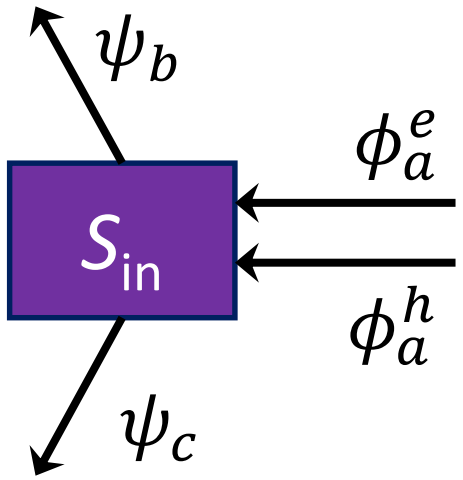
Hence, $\begin{pmatrix} \psi_b^* \\ \psi_c^* \end{pmatrix} = S_{\text{in}}(-E) \begin{pmatrix} (\phi_a^h)^* \\ (\phi_a^e)^* \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \psi_b \\ \psi_c \end{pmatrix} = S_{\text{in}}^*(-E) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_a^e \\ \phi_a^h \end{pmatrix}$

MQT in action: $\frac{dI}{dV}$ of topological system from S-matrix

- **Symmetry of S_{in}-matrix: particle-hole**

At small excitation energies $|\varepsilon| \ll |M_z|, |\Delta|$ the ε dependence of S_{in} may be neglected. (The excitation energy is limited by the largest of voltage V and temperature T.) Then Eq. (6) together with unitarity ($S_{in}^{-1} = S_{in}^{\dagger}$) fully determine the scattering matrix,

$$S_{in} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \pm i & \mp i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\alpha} \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (7)$$



→ $S_{in} = S_{in}^{*} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and by using unitarity. The sign ambiguity & α is undetermined but does not affect the conductance.

→ **Try!**

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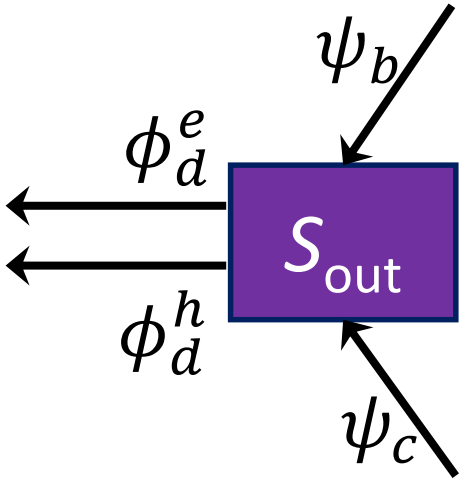
- **Symmetry of S_{out}-matrix: time-reversal**

The scattering matrix S_{out} for the conversion from Majorana modes to electron and hole modes can be obtained from S_{in} by time reversal,

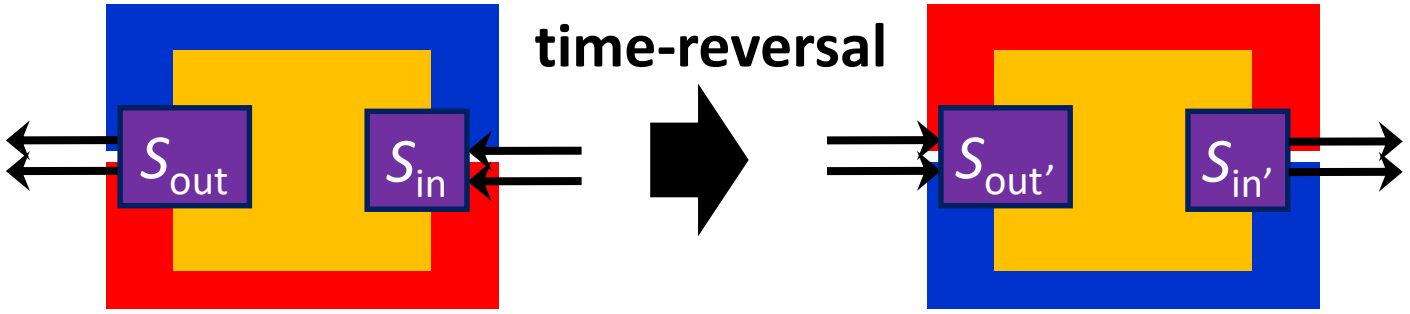
$$S_{out}(\boldsymbol{M}) = S_{in}^{T}(-\boldsymbol{M}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\alpha'} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\alpha'} \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm i \\ 1 & \mp i \end{pmatrix}. \quad (8)$$

The phase shift α' may be different from α, because of the sign change of $\boldsymbol{M}$ upon time reversal, but it will also drop out of the conductance.



→ Just use time-reversal symmetry!

→ **Try it!** (You've learned how to apply the time-reversal operator to a low-energy Hamiltonian & S-matrix)



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- **S_M-matrix**

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→ Just picking up phases with scattering. But we know

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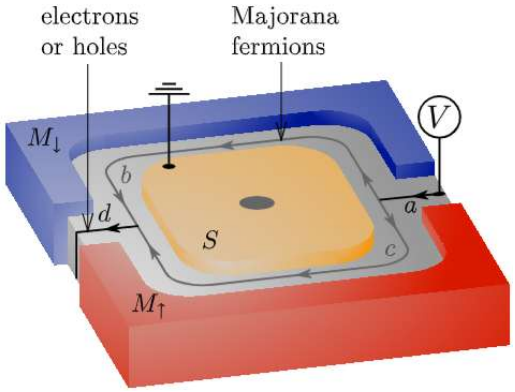
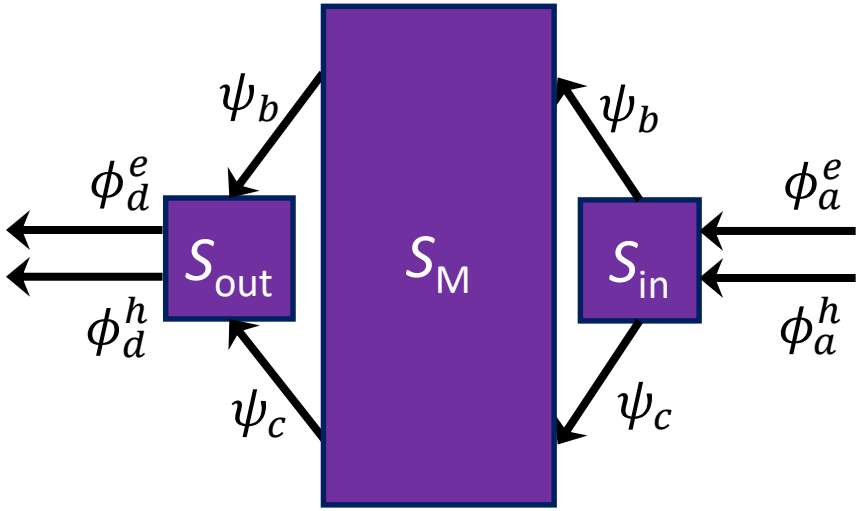


- **S-matrix**

$$S = \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix}e^{i(\alpha+\alpha')}\left(e^{i\beta_b} - e^{i\beta_c}\right) & e^{-i(\alpha-\alpha')}\left(e^{i\beta_b} + e^{i\beta_c}\right)\\ e^{i(\alpha-\alpha')}\left(e^{i\beta_b} + e^{i\beta_c}\right) & e^{-i(\alpha+\alpha')}\left(e^{i\beta_b} - e^{i\beta_c}\right)\end{pmatrix}$$



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where β_b and β_c are the phase shifts accumulated by the Majorana modes along edge b and c, respectively. The relative phase

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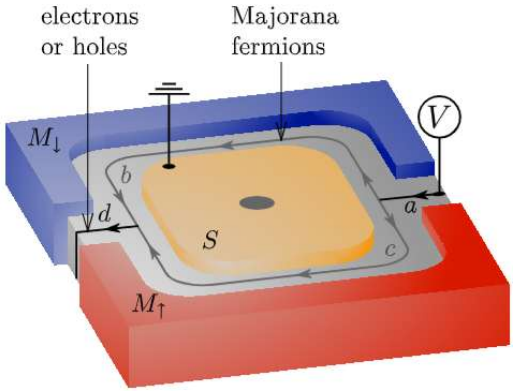

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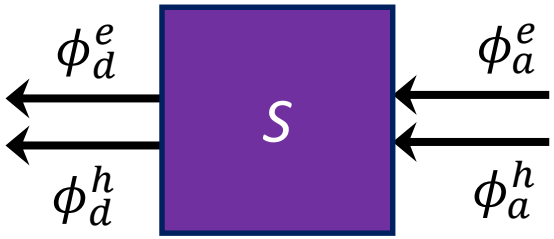

$$\begin{pmatrix}\phi_d^e\\ \phi_d^h\end{pmatrix} = S\begin{pmatrix}\phi_a^e\\ \phi_a^h\end{pmatrix}, S = \begin{pmatrix}S_{ee} & S_{eh}\\ S_{he} & S_{hh}\end{pmatrix}$$

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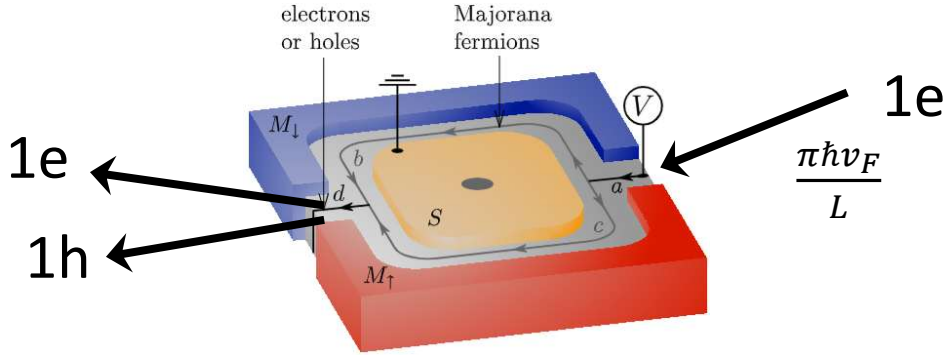
- **Quantum Transport using Landauer-Büttiker**

Negligible energy dependence of $T(E)$

$$I = I(V) = \frac{e}{h}\int_{\mu_R}^{\mu_L} T(E)dE = \frac{e^2}{h}TV$$

→ Charge transmission into Superconductor



$$T = 1 - |S_{ee}|^2 + |S_{he}|^2 = 1 + |S_{he}|^2 - 1 + |S_{he}|^2 = 2|S_{he}|^2$$

from unitarity, $|S_{ee}|^2 + |S_{he}|^2 = 1$

$$G(0) = \frac{2e^2}{h}\sin^2\left(\frac{n_v\pi}{2}\right)$$

Finally, $\frac{dI}{dV} = \frac{2e^2}{h}|S_{he}|^2 = \frac{2e^2}{h}\sin^2\left(\frac{n_v\pi}{2} + \frac{eVL}{2\hbar v_F}\right)$

Electrons are incident at $E = eV$

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- **Physical pictures**

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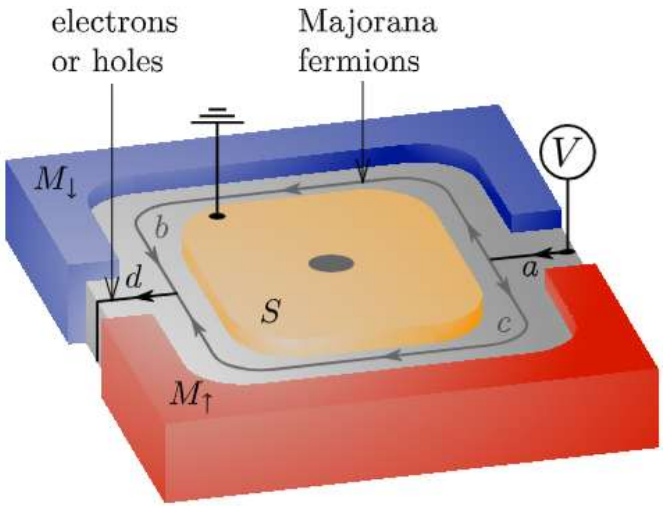

$$c_a^\dagger \to \gamma_b + i\gamma_c,$$

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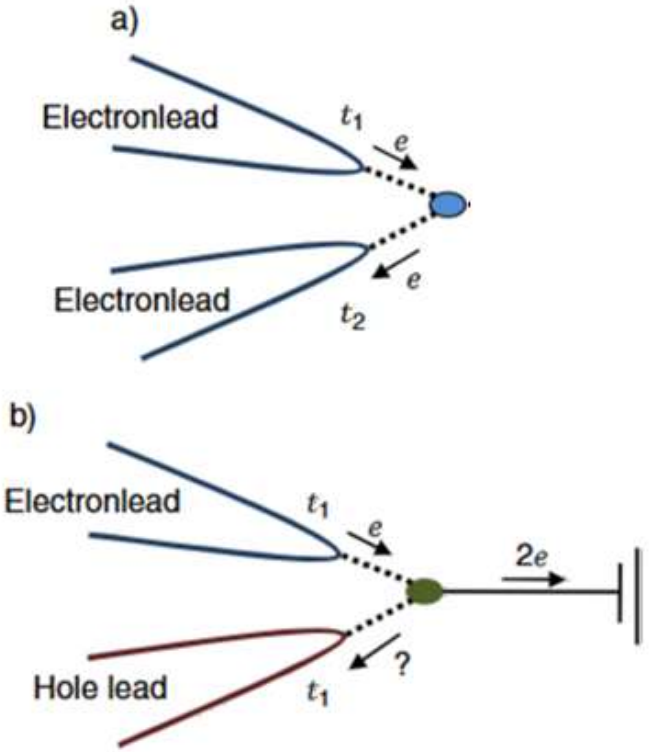

What left beyond today's lecture

- **More about Landauer-Büttiker formalism**

  → MQT is quantal: DC current = $\langle \hat{I} \rangle$, i.e., long-time average of current

  → Current shot noise is also available [M. Büttiker, *PRB* **46**, 12485 (1992)]

  → Periodically driven quantum pumps can be dealt [M. Büttiker, (1990)]

- **Beyond Landauer-Büttiker formalism: other methods for MQT**

Formalisms	Advantages	Disadvantages
Landauer-Büttiker	Intuitive & quick calculations. Finite voltage bias & temperature	Cannot deal with many-body physics
Kubo's linear response theory	Relatively easy & quick, while allowing many-body physics	Only allows physics around equilibrium states
Master equation	Allowing many-body physics & Nonequilibrium bias & finite temp.	Particularly useful at tunneling regime
Keldysh formalism	All the above	Not so easy for everyone