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## 声学晶体中的自旋拓扑相

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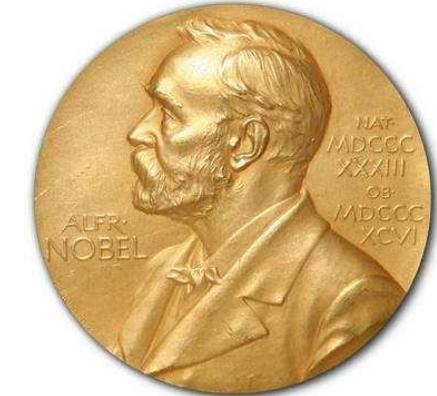
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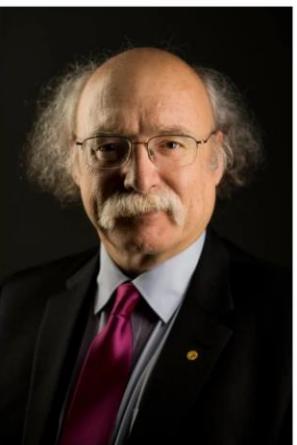
➤ **Conclusions**

# Background of topological insulators

2016 Nobel Prize



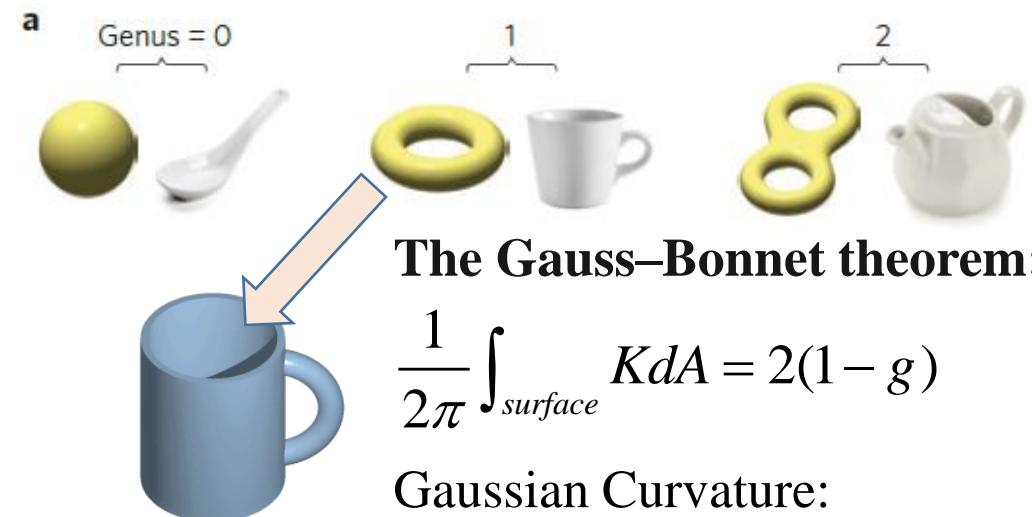
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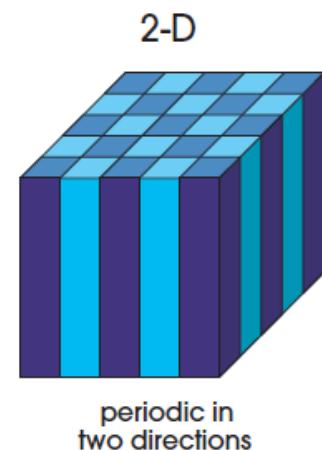
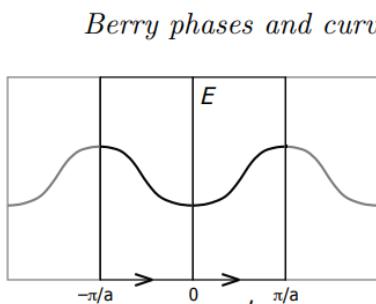
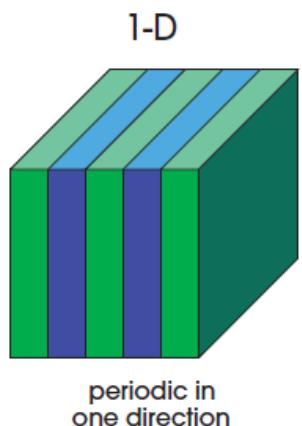


The Gauss–Bonnet theorem:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\text{surface}} K dA = 2(1 - g)$$

Gaussian Curvature:

$$K = 1/(R_1 R_2)$$



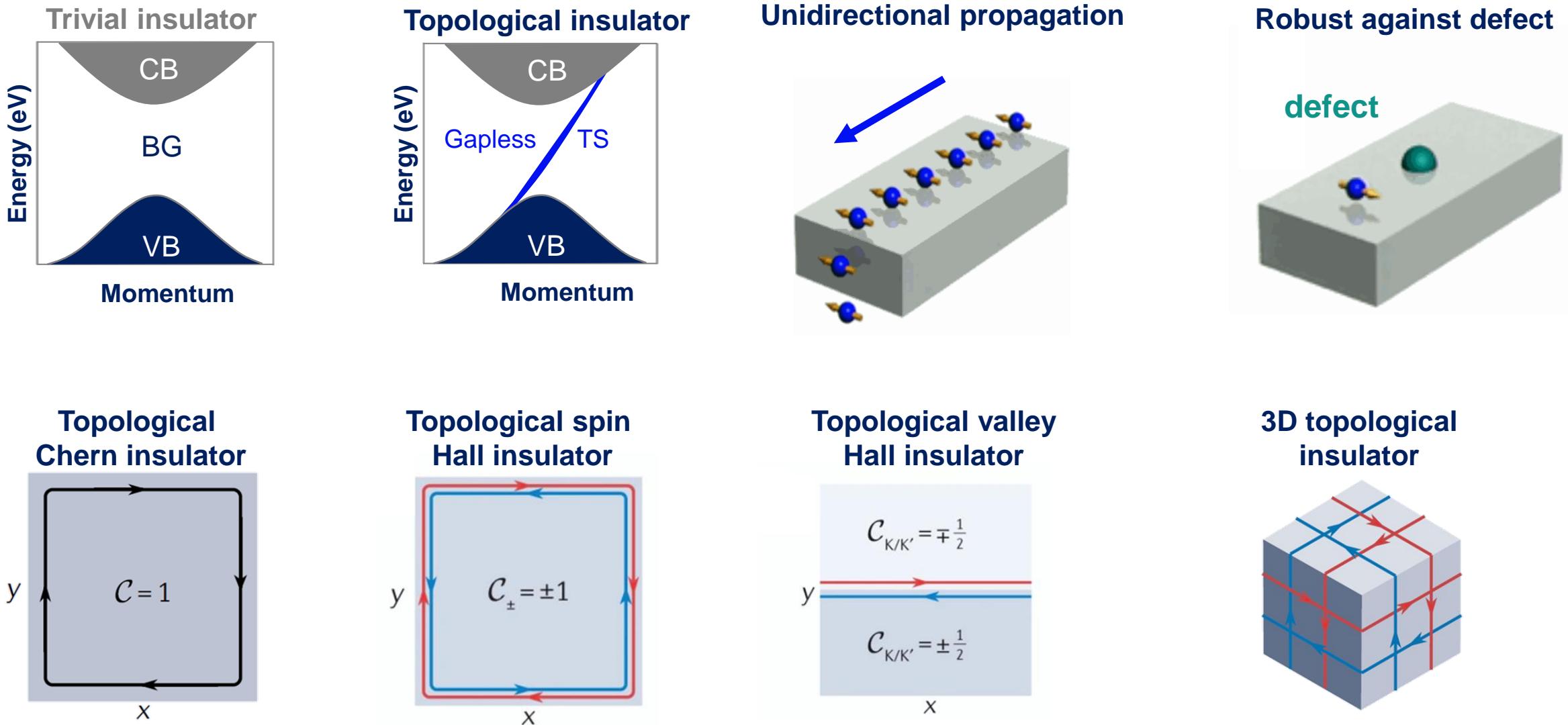
Berry phase:

$$\gamma_C = \oint_C \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{k}$$

Berry connection

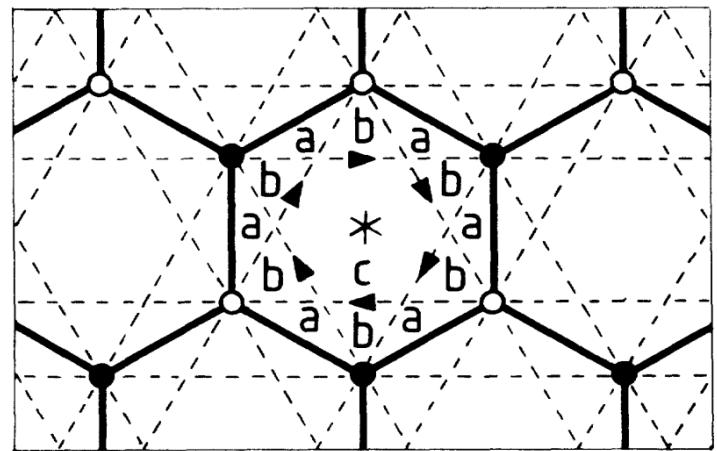
$$\mathbf{A} = -i \langle u(\mathbf{k}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} | u(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$$

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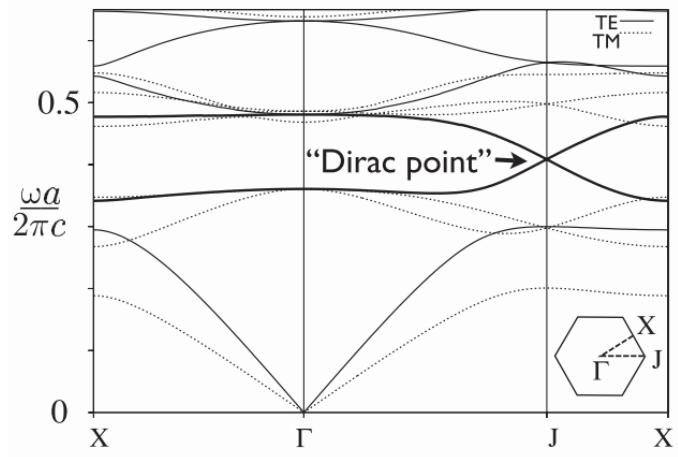
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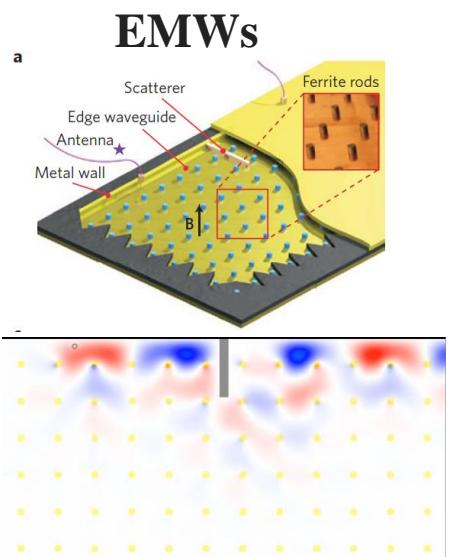


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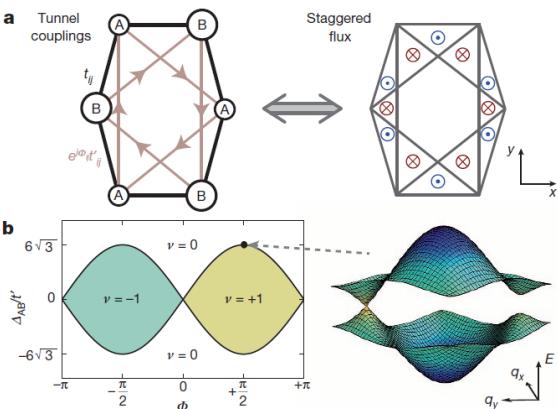


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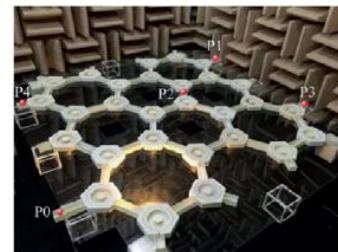


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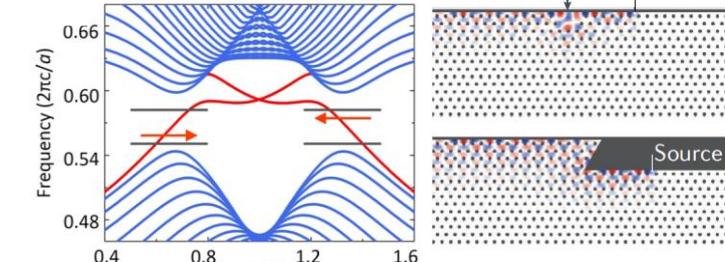
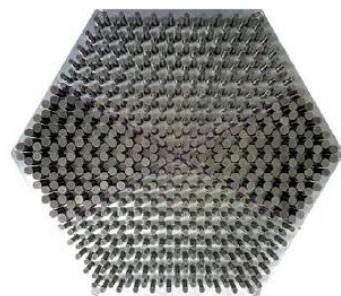
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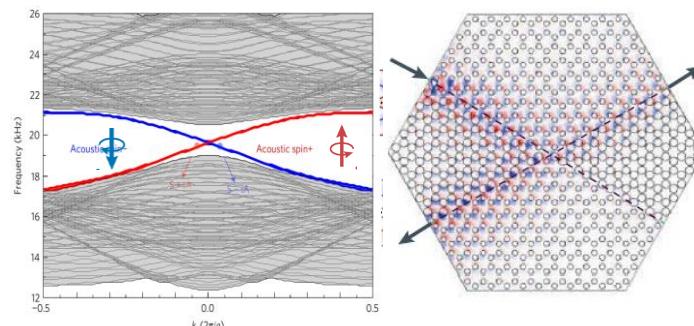
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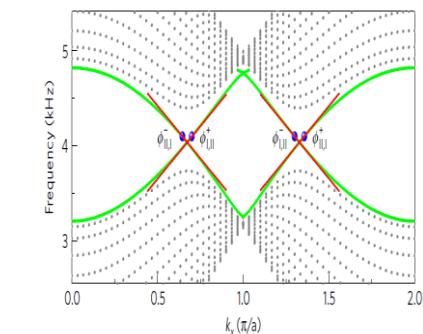
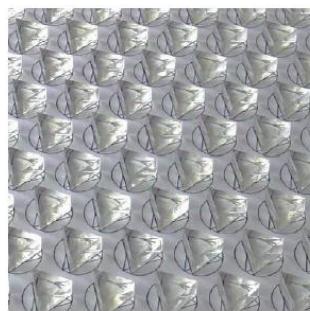
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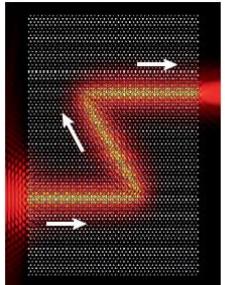
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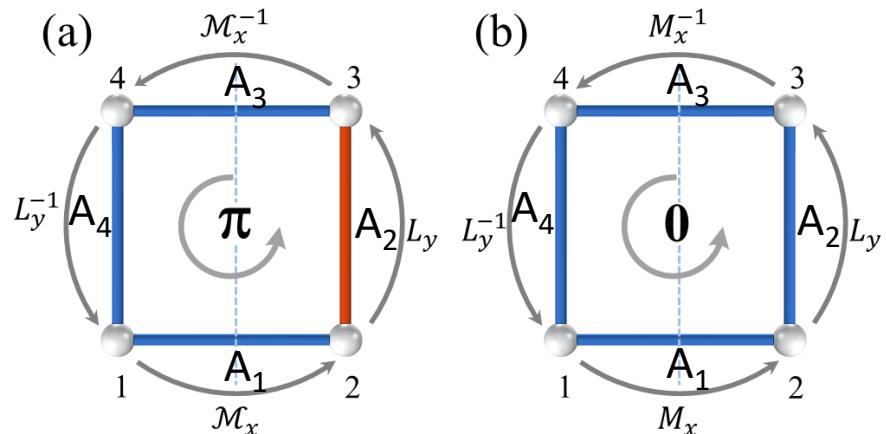




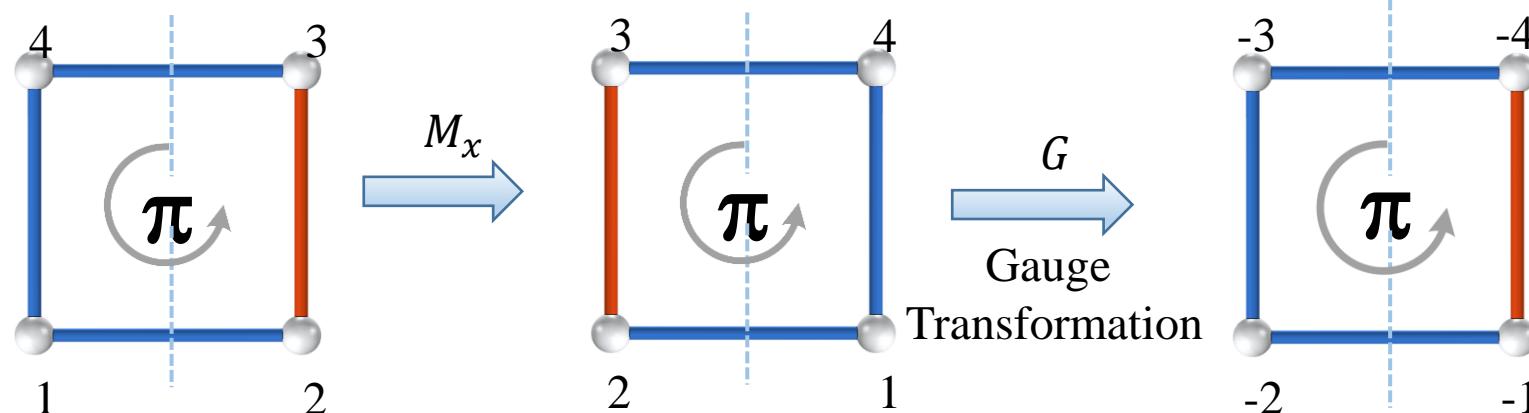
# Backgrounds of projective symmetry

## Gauge flux

$\mathbb{Z}_2$  Gauge field  $\rightarrow$  Coupling coefficients  $\{-, +\}$



Site: ● Positive coupling: — Negative coupling: —



$$e^{i\Phi} = \prod_{m \in \text{plaquette}} A_m \quad (m = 1, 2, 3, 4)$$

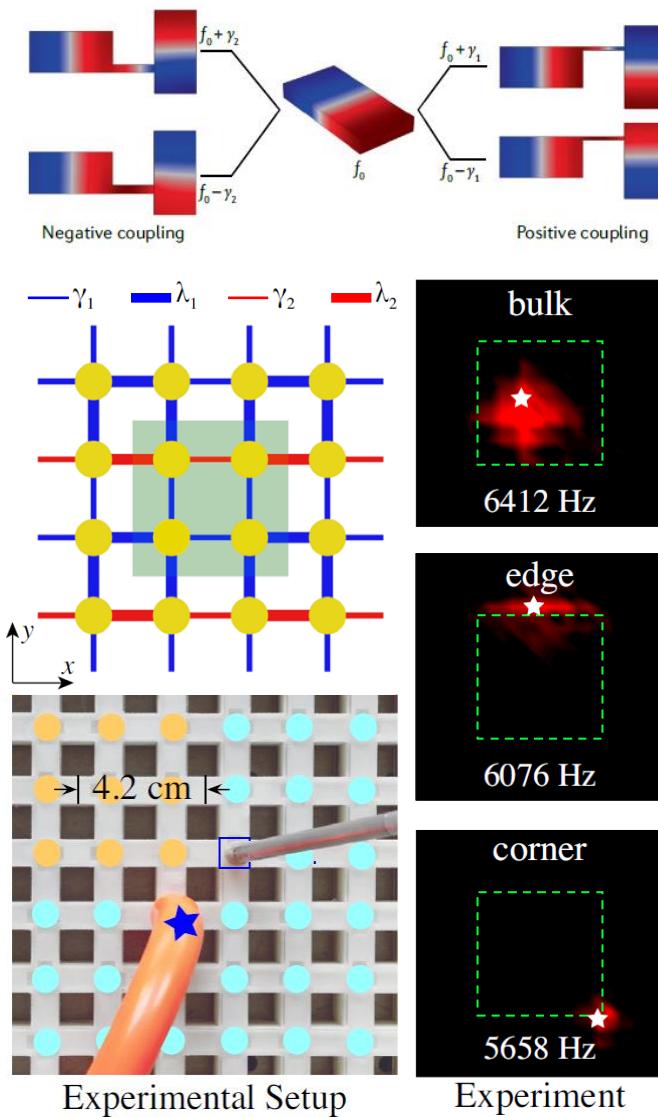
$$L_y^{-1} \mathcal{M}_x^{-1} L_y \mathcal{M}_x = e^{i\Phi}$$

Gauge transformation:  
 $GH(t_x, t_y)G^\dagger = H(t_x, -t_y)$

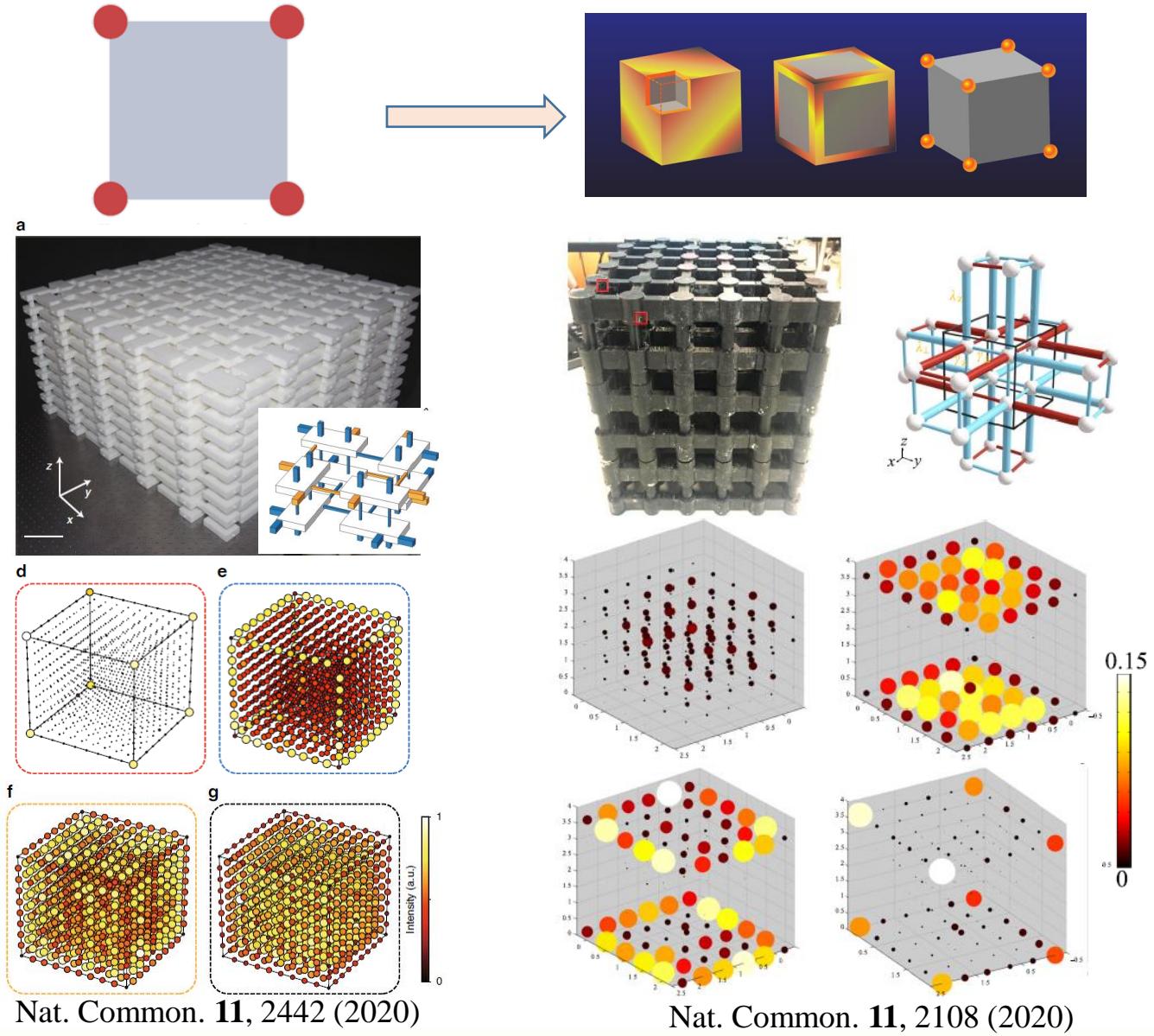
Projective mirror symmetry:  
 $\mathcal{M}_x = \mathbf{G} M_x$   
 $\mathbf{M}_x^2 = \mathbf{I}; \mathcal{M}_x^2 = -\mathbf{I}$

Acoustics:  
 $\hat{T} = \hat{\mathcal{K}}, T^2 = 1$   
Electrons:  
 $\hat{T} = -i\sigma_y \hat{\mathcal{K}}, T^2 = -1$

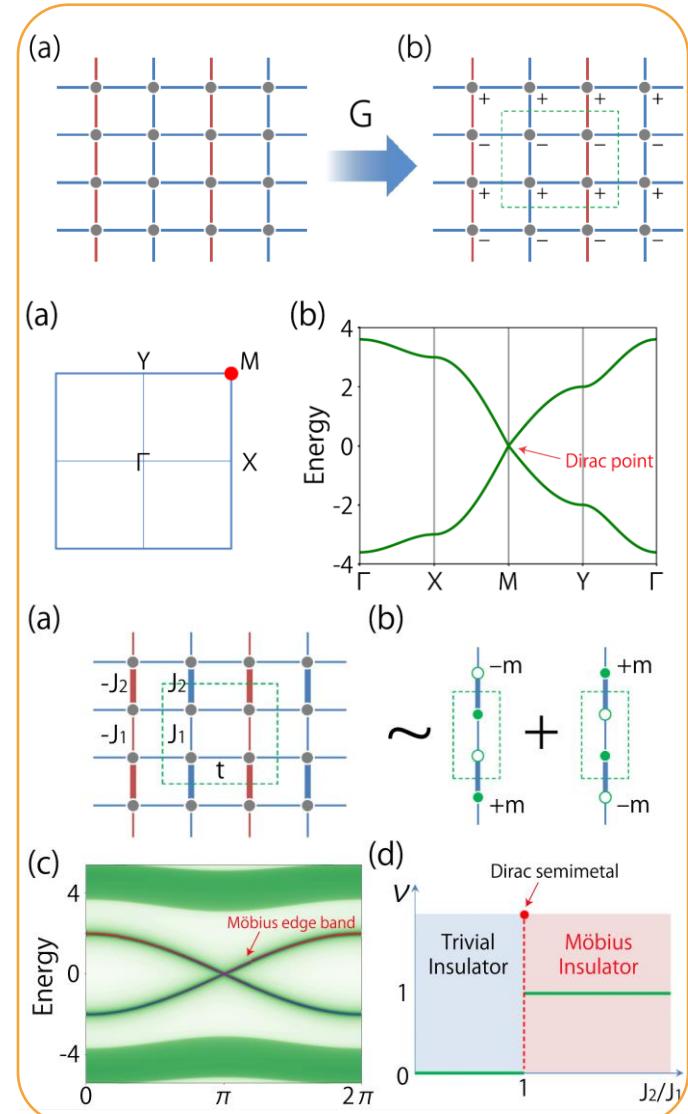
# Background of topological acoustics



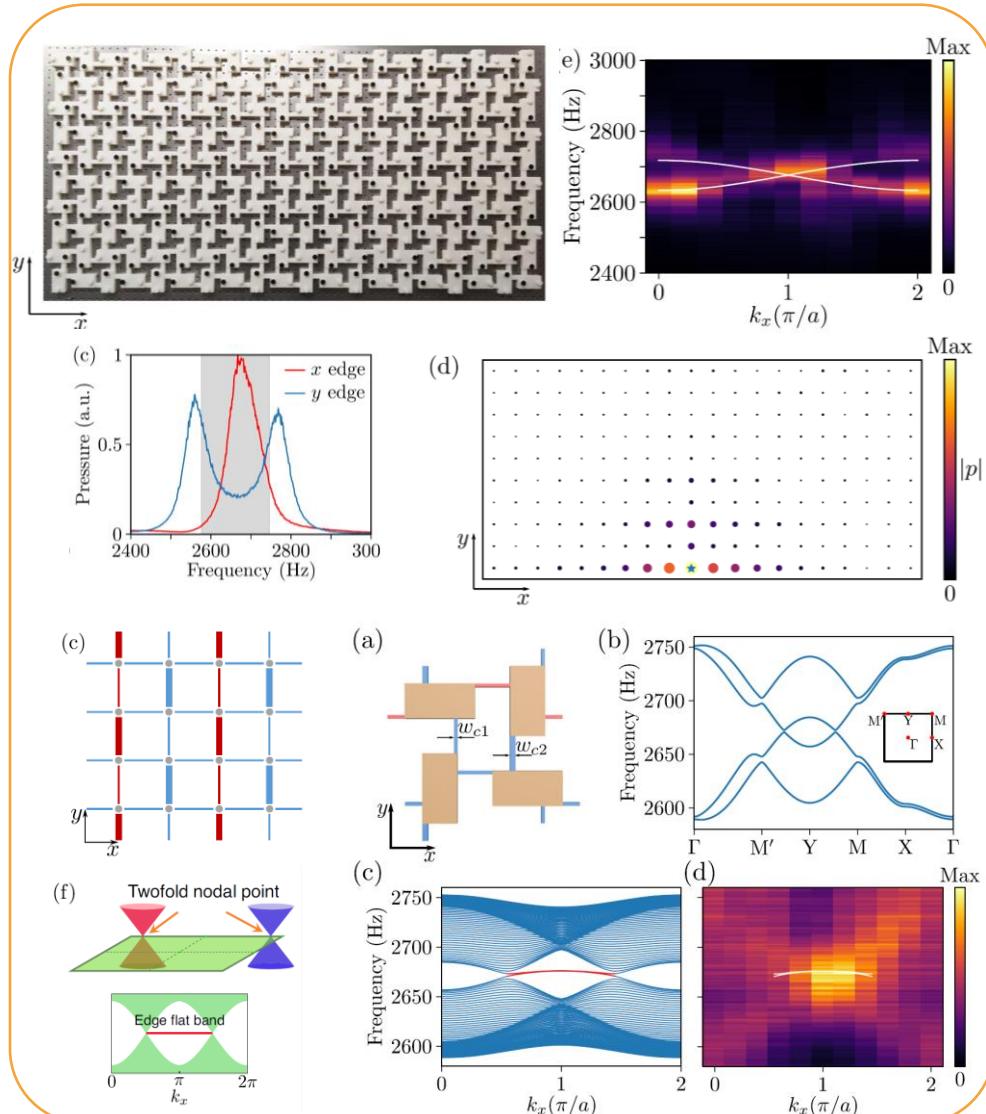
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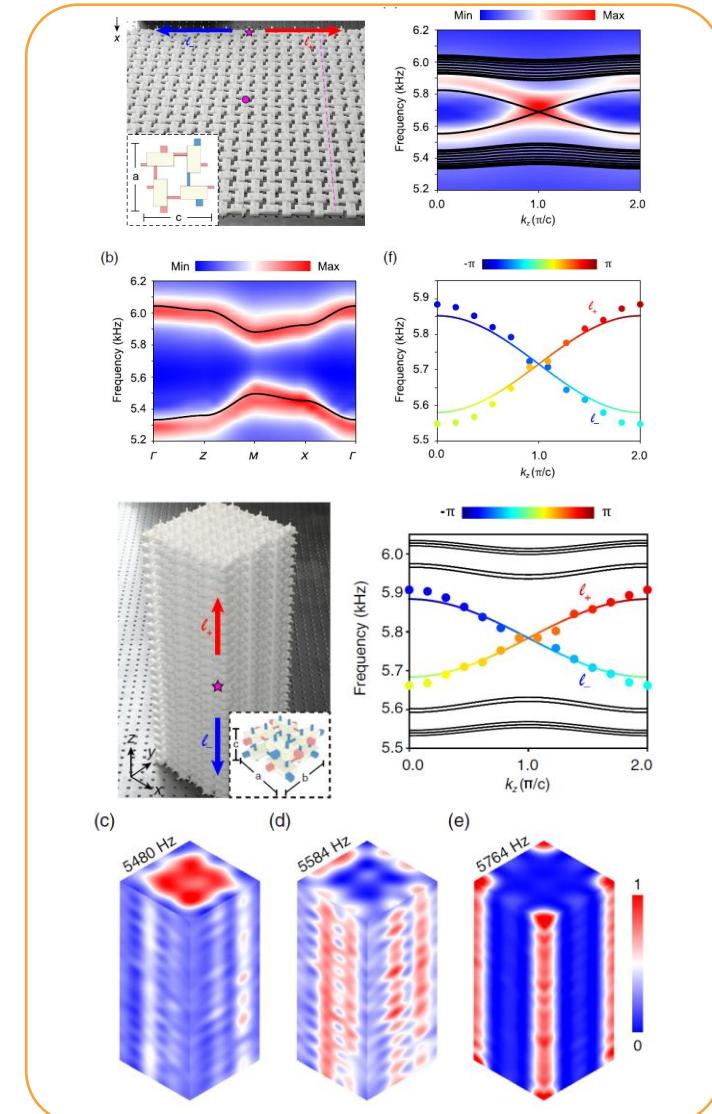
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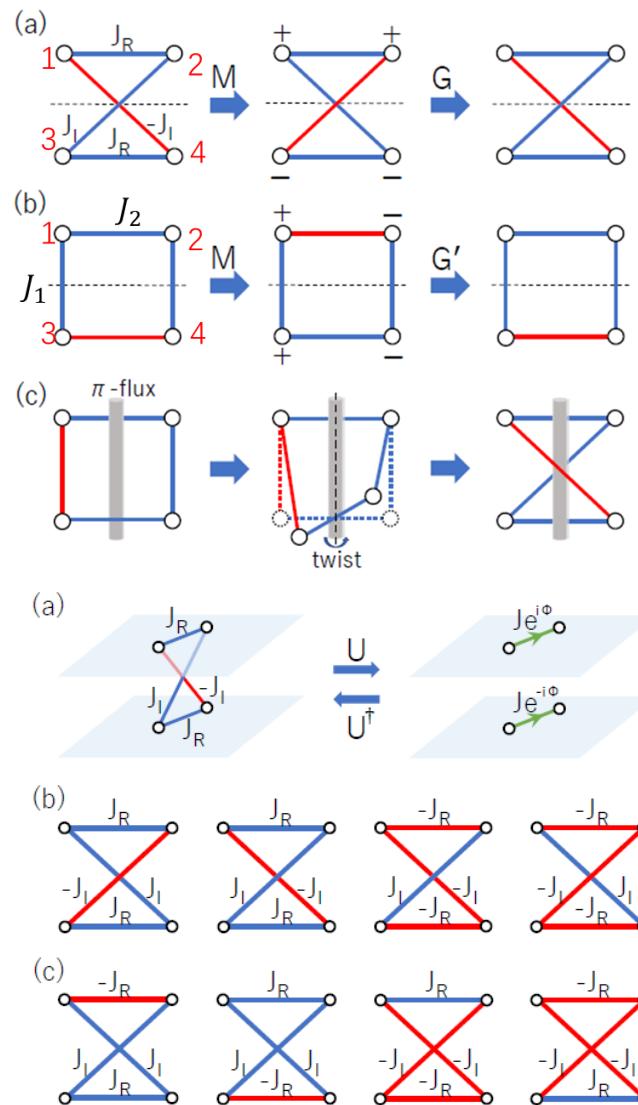


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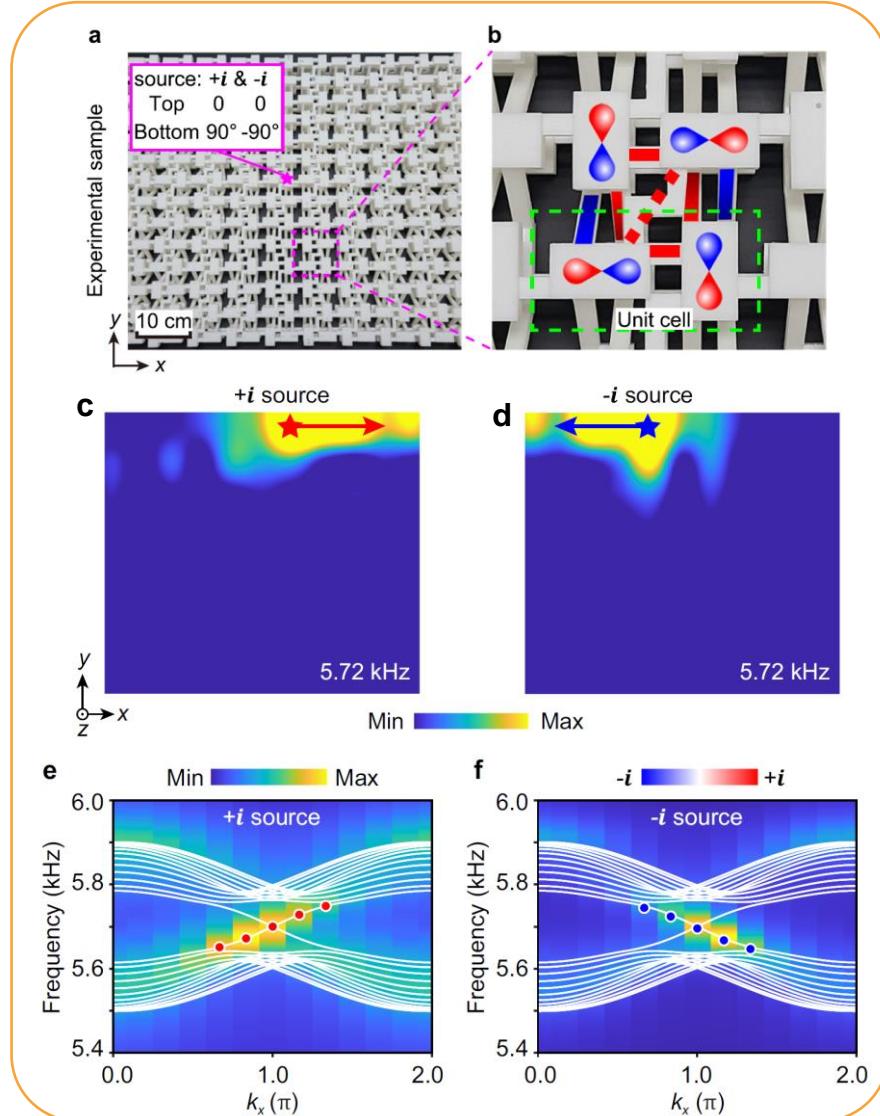
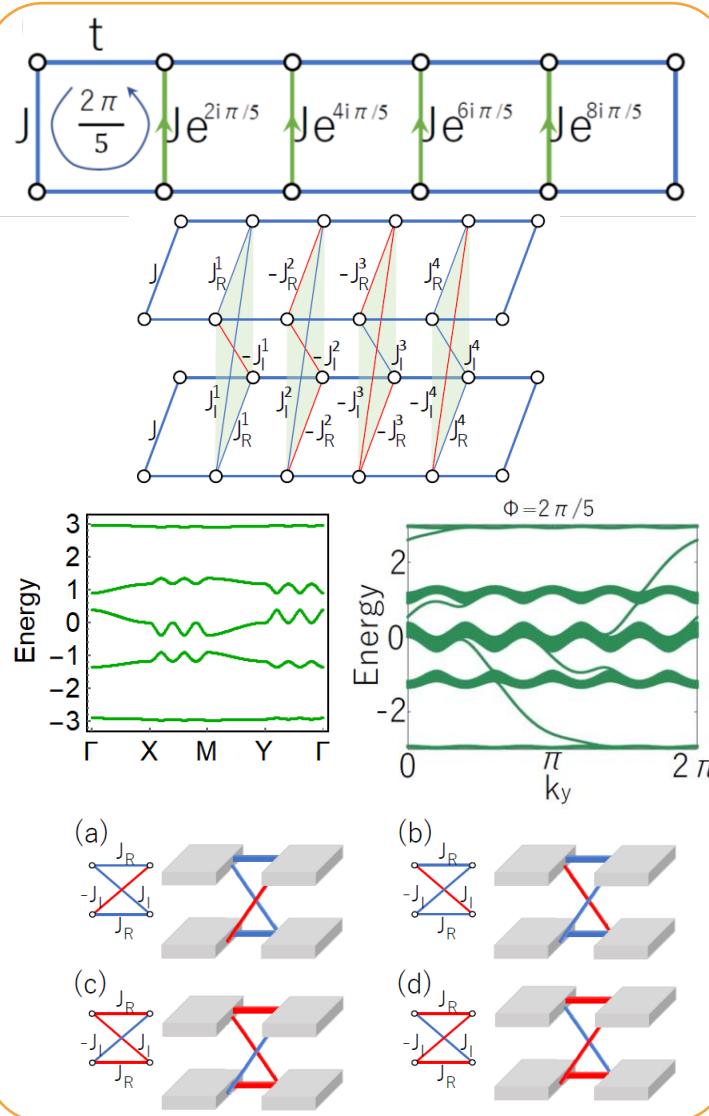
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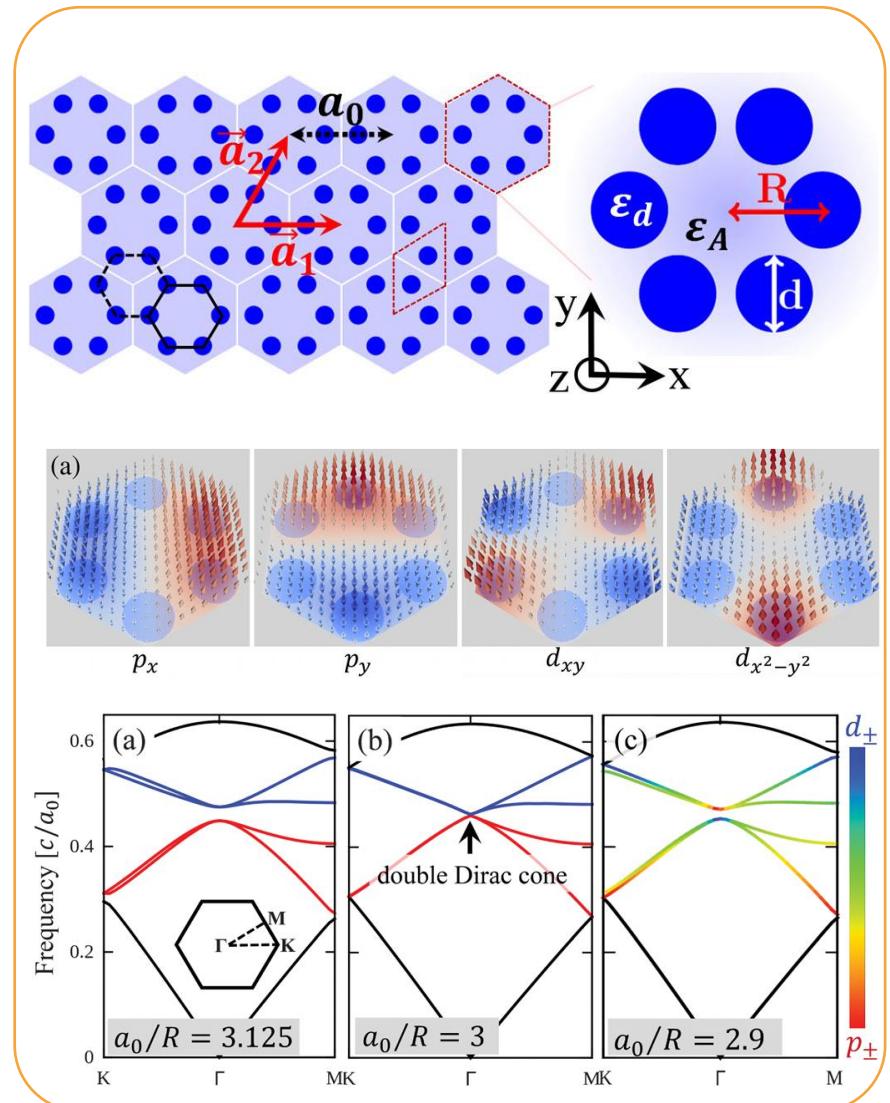
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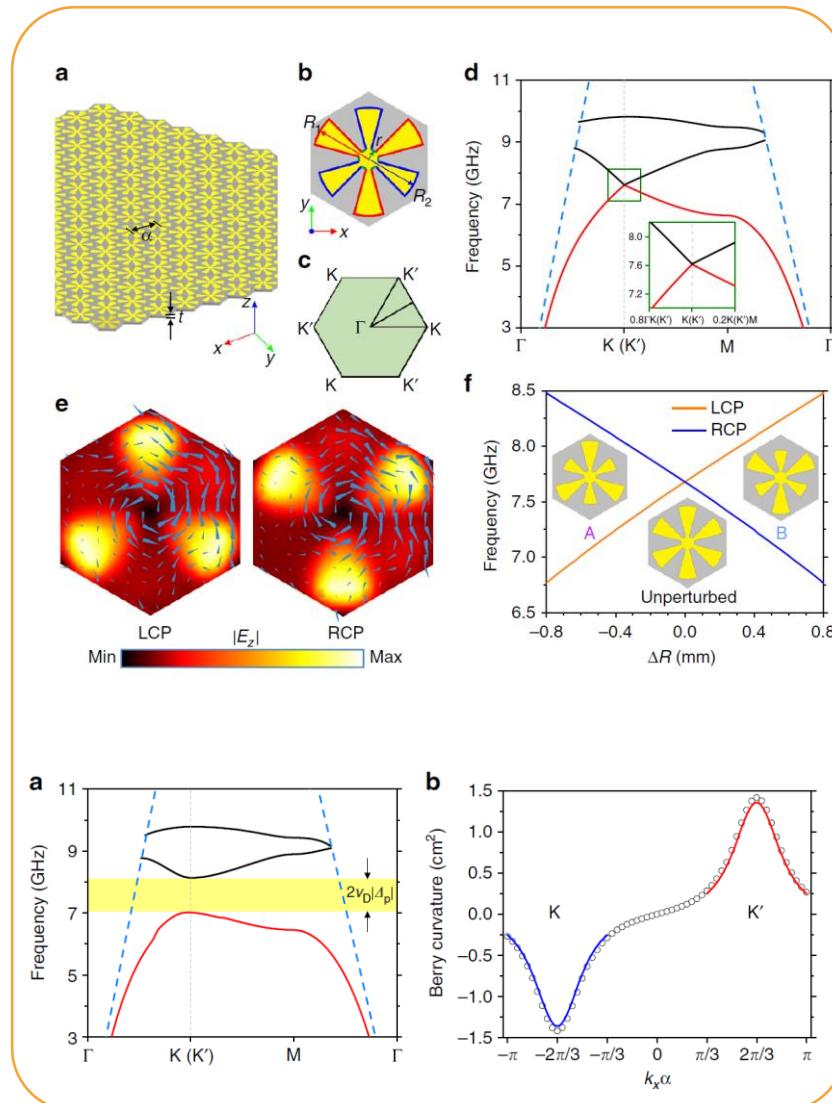


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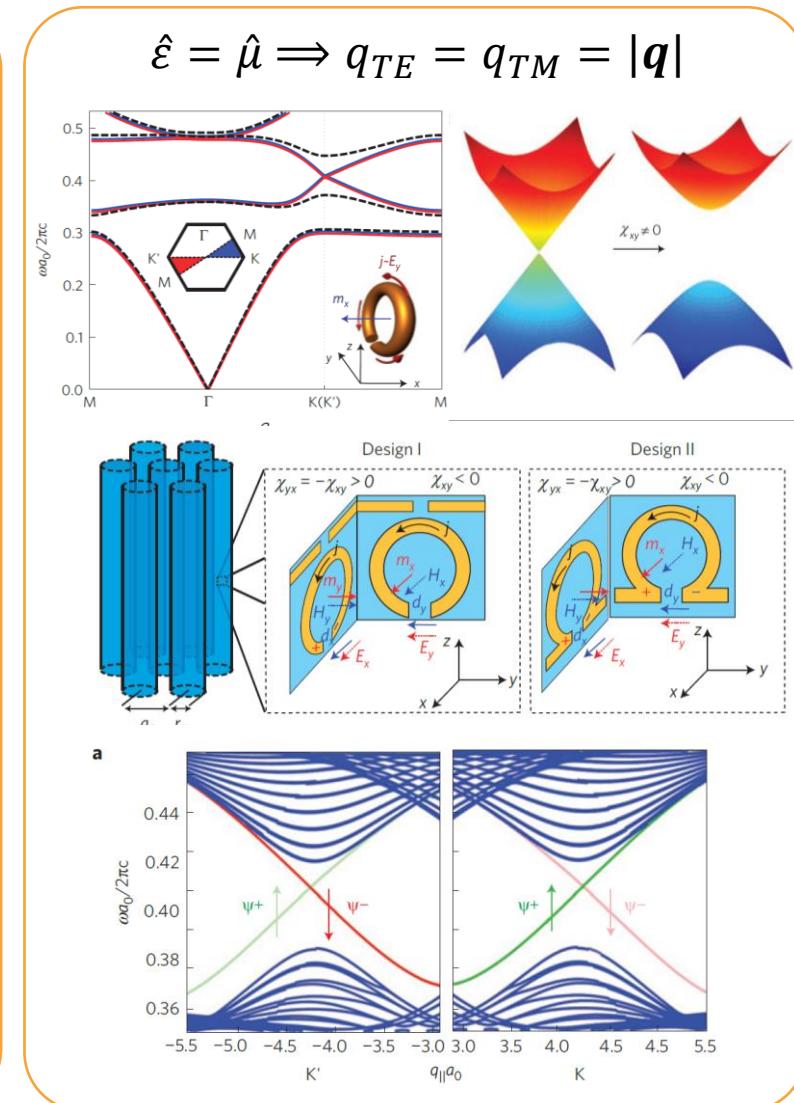
# Motivation for spinful topological phases



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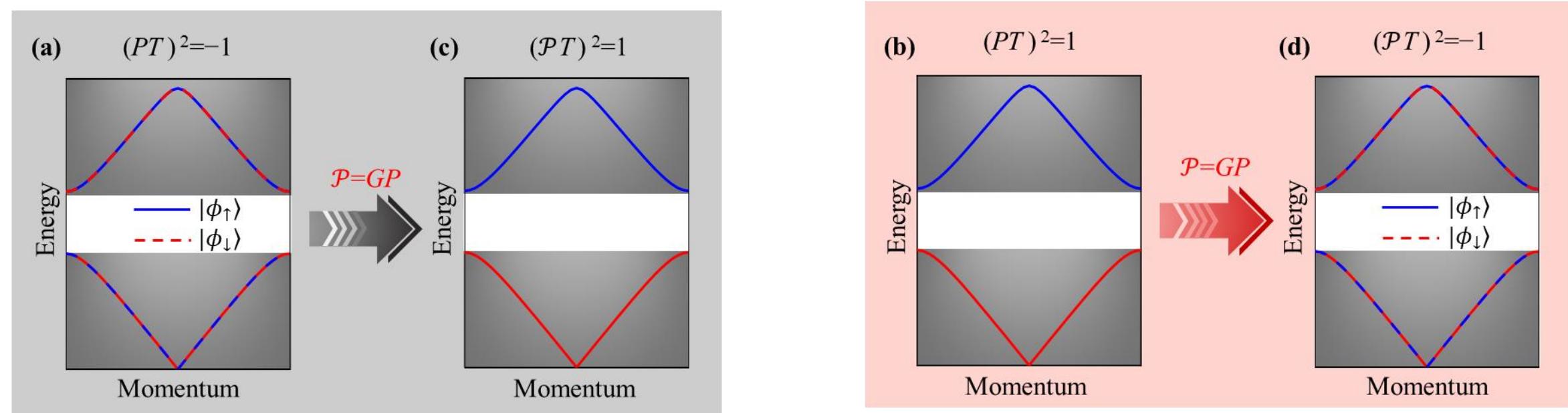
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# Analytical model for spinful topological phases

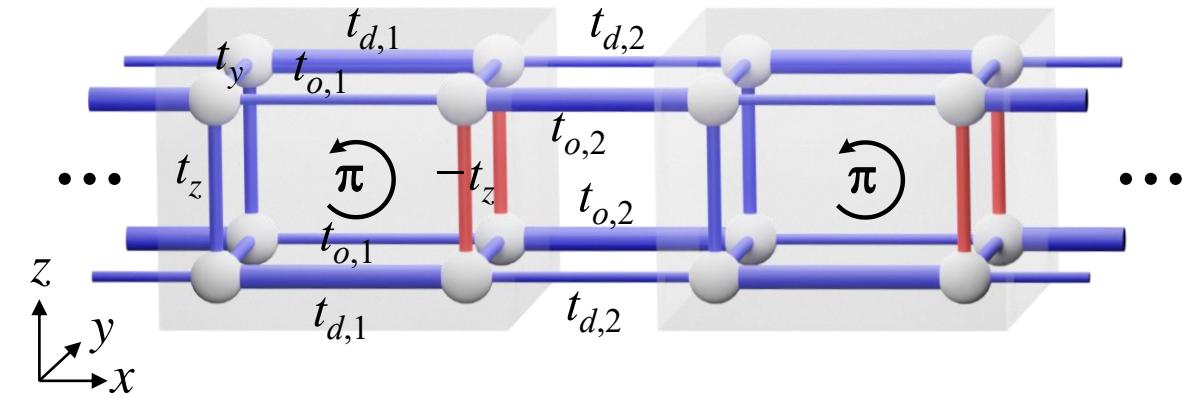
Topological classification under spacetime inversion symmetry ( $PT$ ) and sublattice symmetry ( $S$ ).

	$(PT)^2$	$S$	$d = 1$	$d = 2$	$d = 3$
AI	+	0	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0
BDI	+	$[S, PT] = 0$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	$2\mathbb{Z}$
CI	+	$\{S, PT\} = 0$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$
AII	-	0	0	0	0
CII	-	$[S, PT] = 0$	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}$
DIII	-	$\{S, PT\} = 0$	$2\mathbb{Z}$	0	0



# Analytical model for spinful topological phases

## Tight-binding model



Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H} = t_y \Gamma_{100} + t_z \Gamma_{301} + \sum_{\{s=d,o\}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & u_s \\ u_s^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes M_s$$

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu\lambda} = \rho_\mu \otimes \tau_\nu \otimes \sigma_\lambda,$$

$$M_d = \text{diag}(1,0,0,1), M_o = \text{diag}(0,1,1,0),$$

$$u_d = t_{d,1} + t_{d,2} e^{-ik}, \text{ and } u_o = t_{o,1} + t_{o,2} e^{-ik}$$

Symmetry operators and  $\mathbb{Z}_2$   $G$ :

$$\hat{P} = \Gamma_{111} \hat{I}, \hat{T} = \hat{\mathcal{K}}, \hat{S} = \Gamma_{333} \hat{I}$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \Gamma_{003}, \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{G}P.$$

Topological classification:

$$(\mathcal{PT})^2 \mathcal{H} = (\mathcal{GPT})^2 \mathcal{H} = -\mathcal{H} \quad (\mathcal{PT})^2 = -1$$

$$(\mathcal{PTS})\mathcal{H} + (\mathcal{SPT})\mathcal{H} = 0, \quad \{\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{PT}\} = 0$$

$$U\mathcal{H}U^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & Q(k)_{4 \times 4} \\ Q^\dagger(k)_{4 \times 4} & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint dk \text{tr} Q^{-1}(k) \partial_k Q(k). \quad \nu \in 2\mathbb{Z}$$

DIII

Spin

Eigenstates:

$\psi_1$  and  $\psi_2$

Spins:

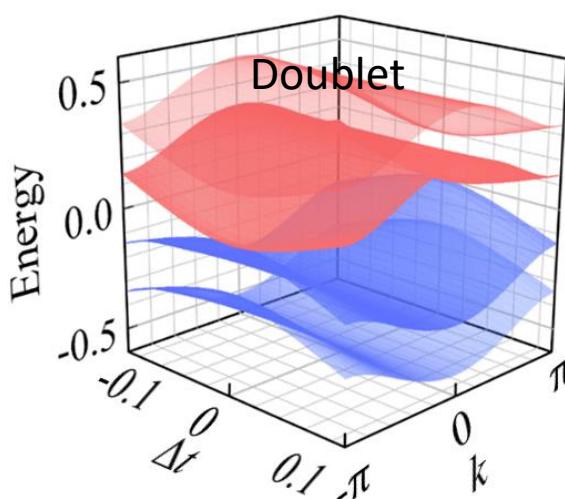
$$\psi_+ = U\psi_1 \text{ and } \psi_- = U\psi_2, U = e^{(i\pi/4)\Gamma_{100}} e^{-(i\pi/4)\Gamma_{133}}$$

Pseudo time-reversal symmetry  $\mathcal{PT}$ :

$$\psi_+ \xrightarrow{\mathcal{PT}} \psi_- \xrightarrow{\mathcal{PT}} -\psi_+ \xrightarrow{\mathcal{PT}} -\psi_-$$

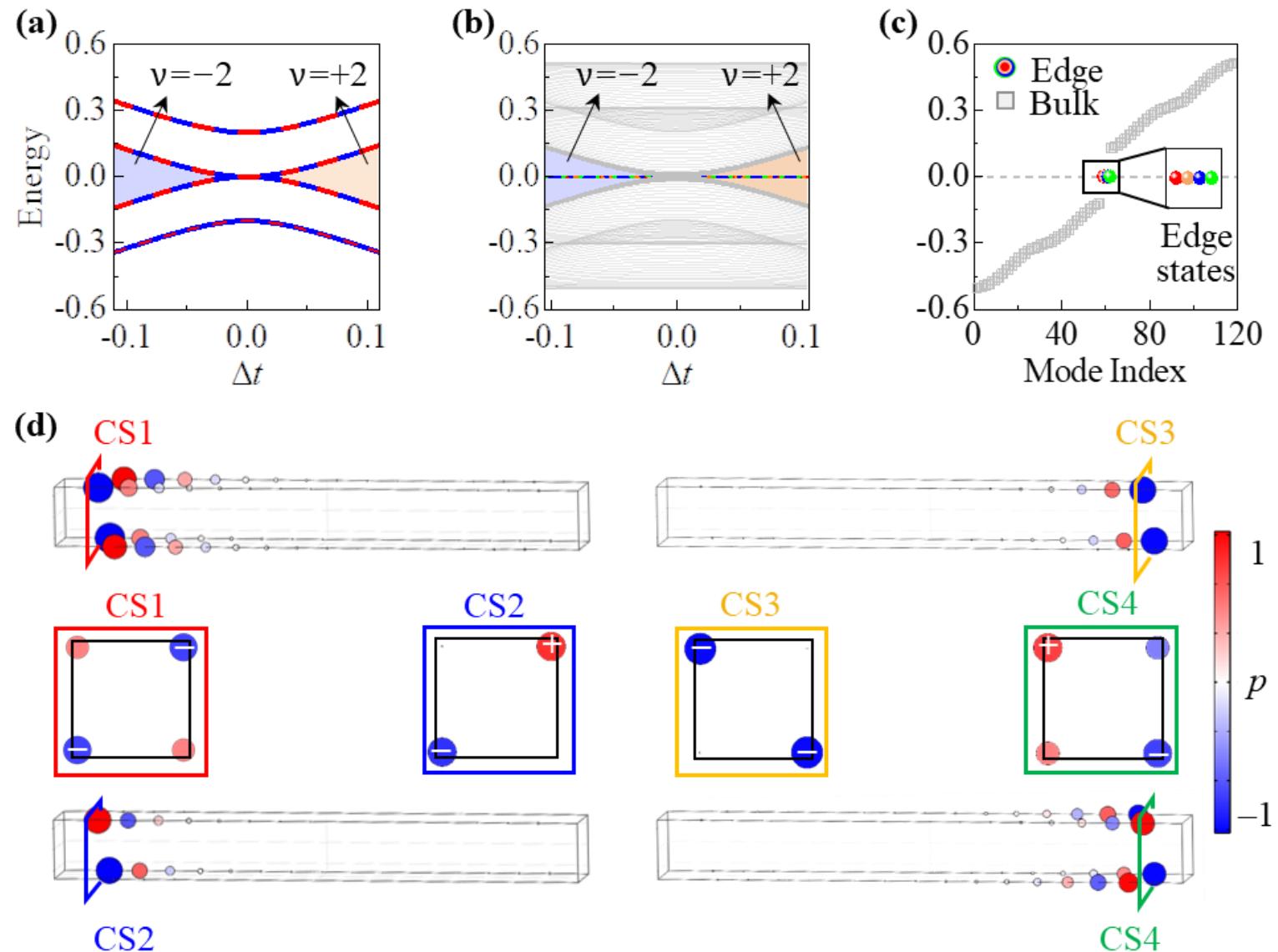
# Analytical model for spinful topological phases

## Spinful topological phase transition:



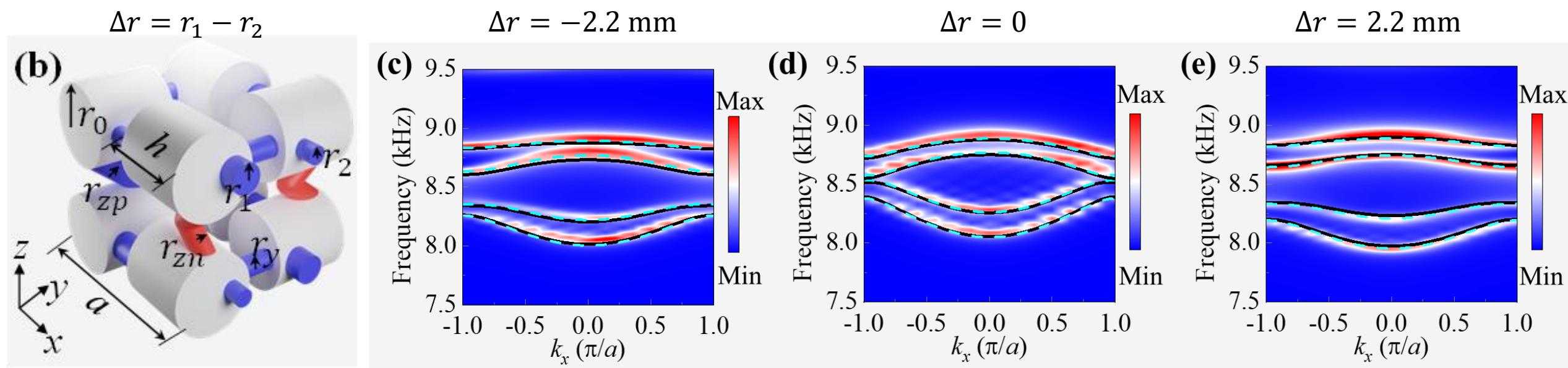
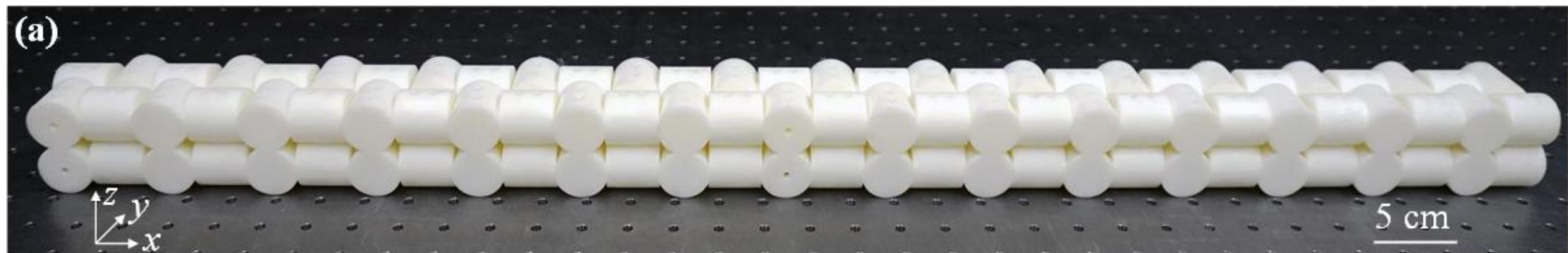
Coupling contrast:

$$\Delta t = \frac{t_{d,1} - t_{d,2}}{2}$$



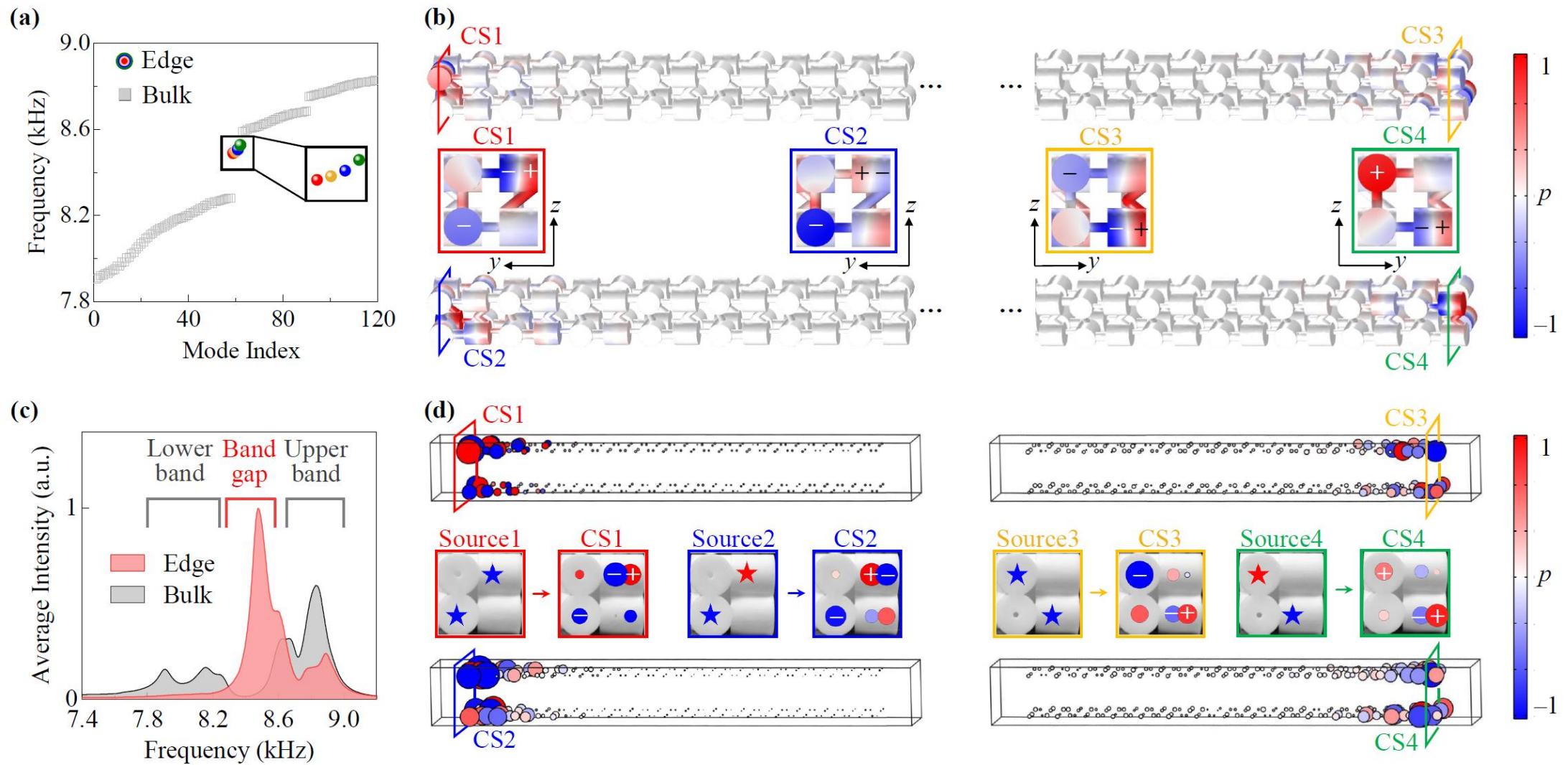
# Sample design and experimental demonstration

## Experimental measurement of Kramers doublet



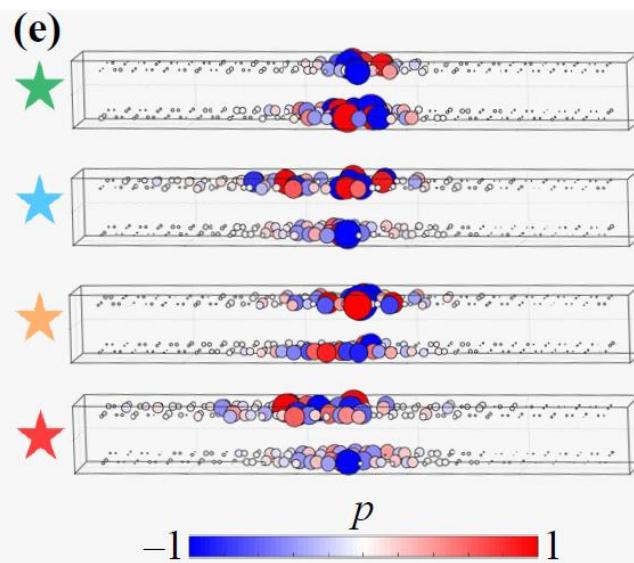
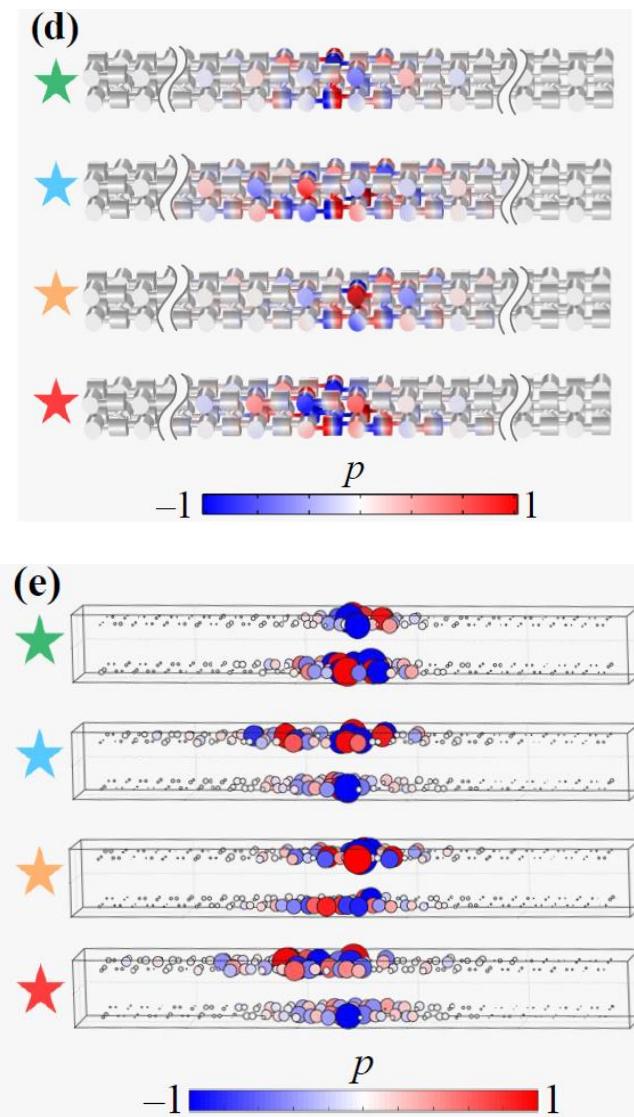
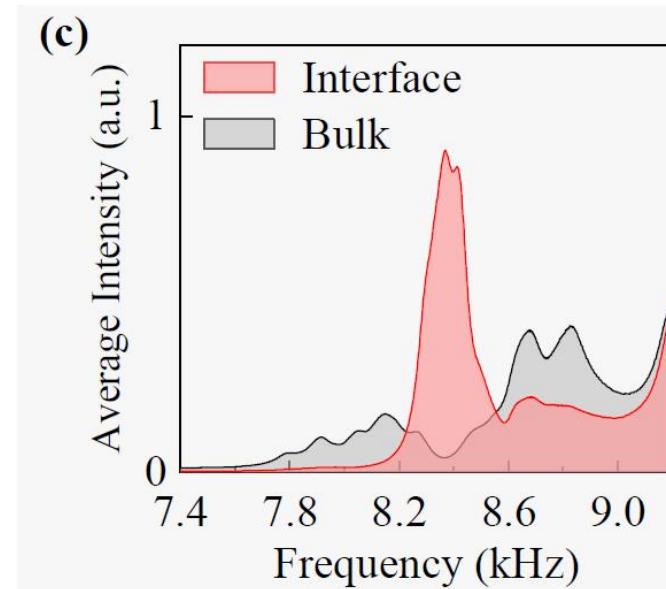
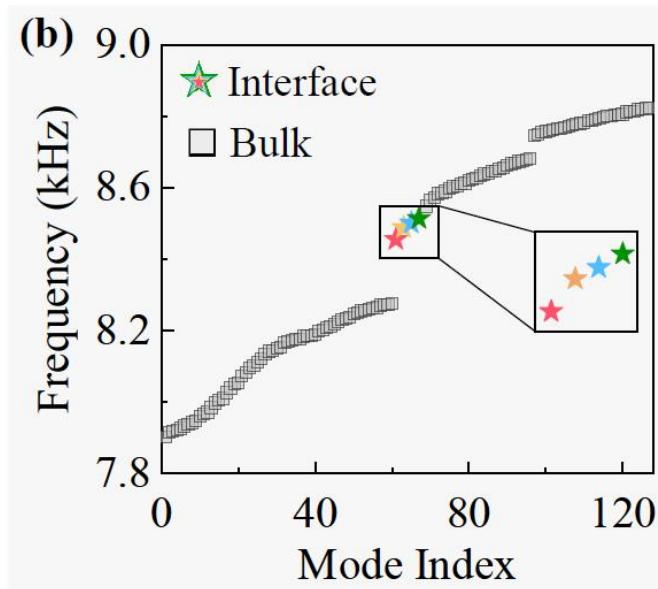
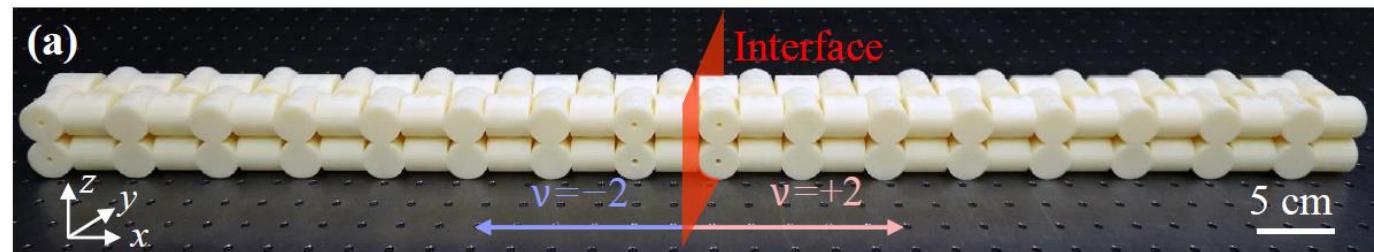
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## Observation of Kramers pairs of topological boundary modes



# Sample design and experimental demonstration

## Topological interface between $\nu = +2$ and $\nu = -2$



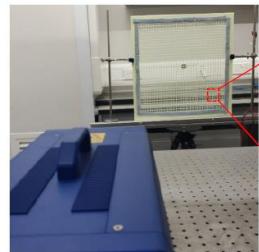


- **Designed a 1D topological acoustic crystals with a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  gauge field**
- **Observed the Kramers double-degenerate band structures**
- **Observed the Kramers pairs of topological boundary modes**
- **Observed the topological interface states between two spinful topological acoustic crystals with opposite winding numbers**

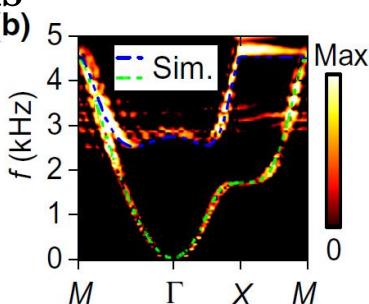
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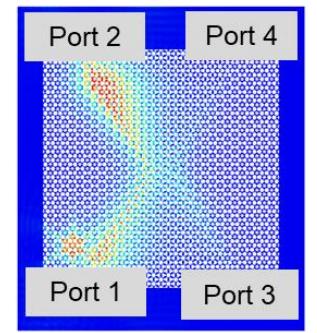
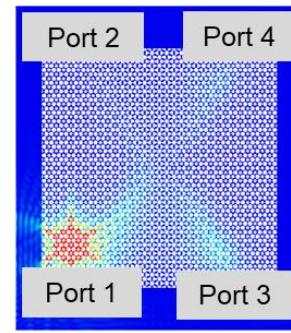
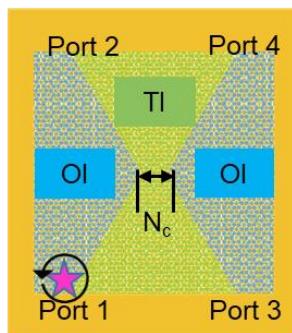


## Phononic crystals



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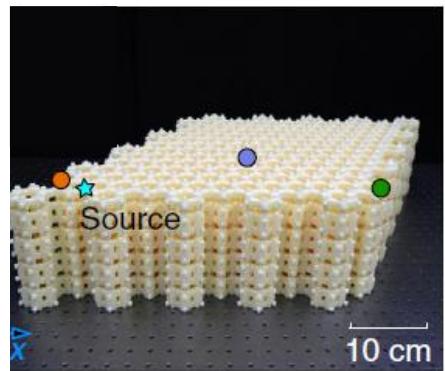
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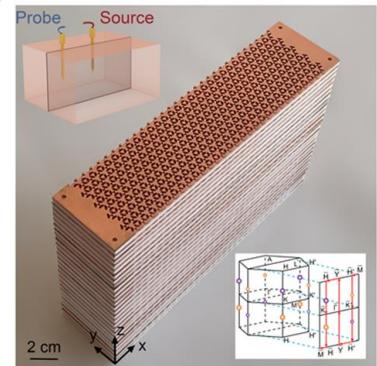
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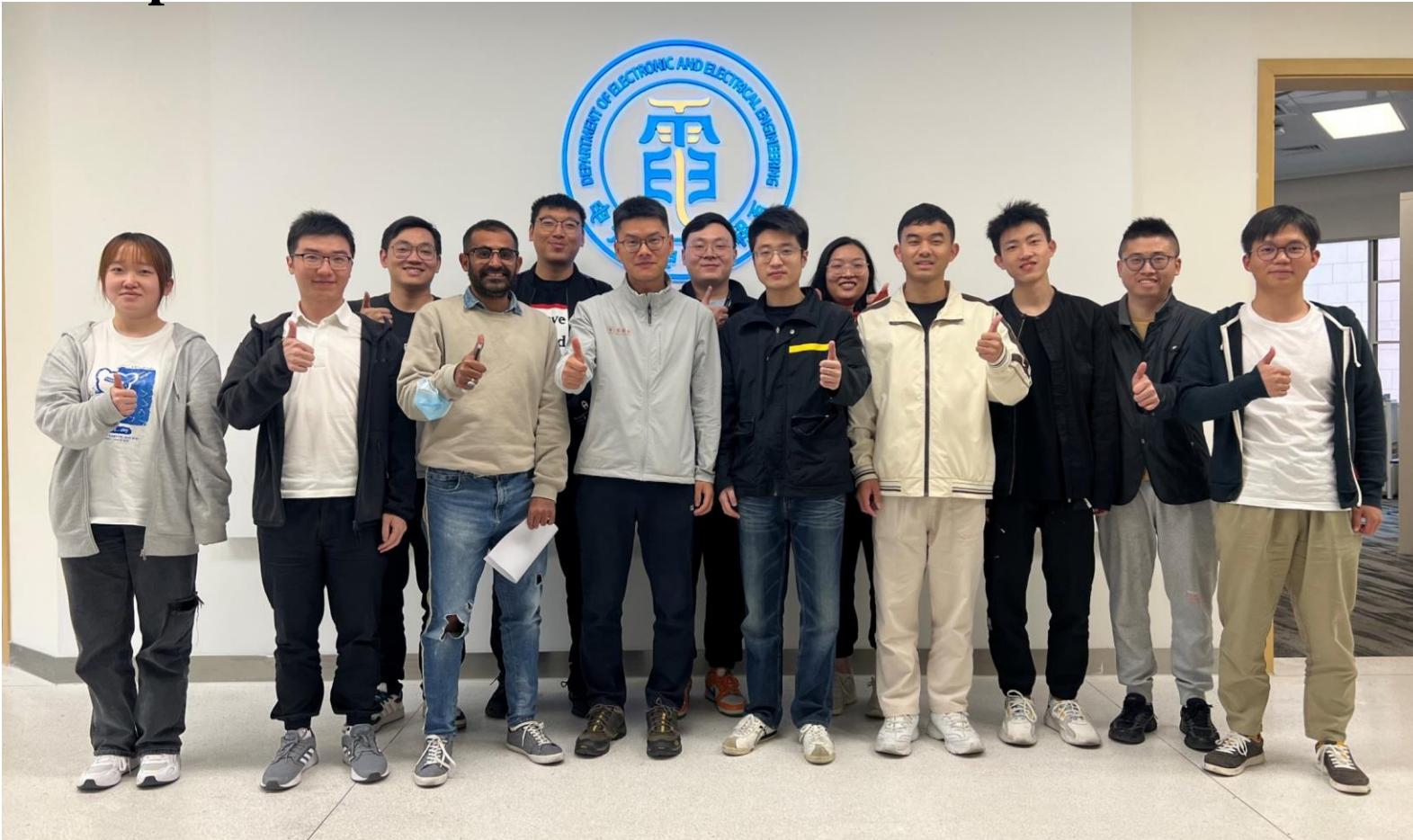


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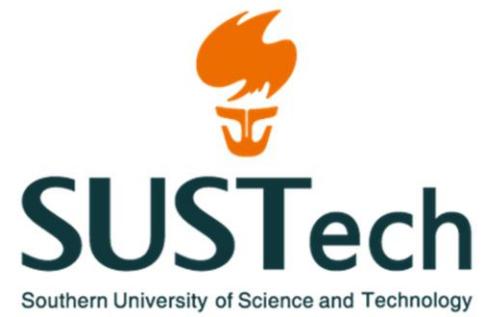
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