

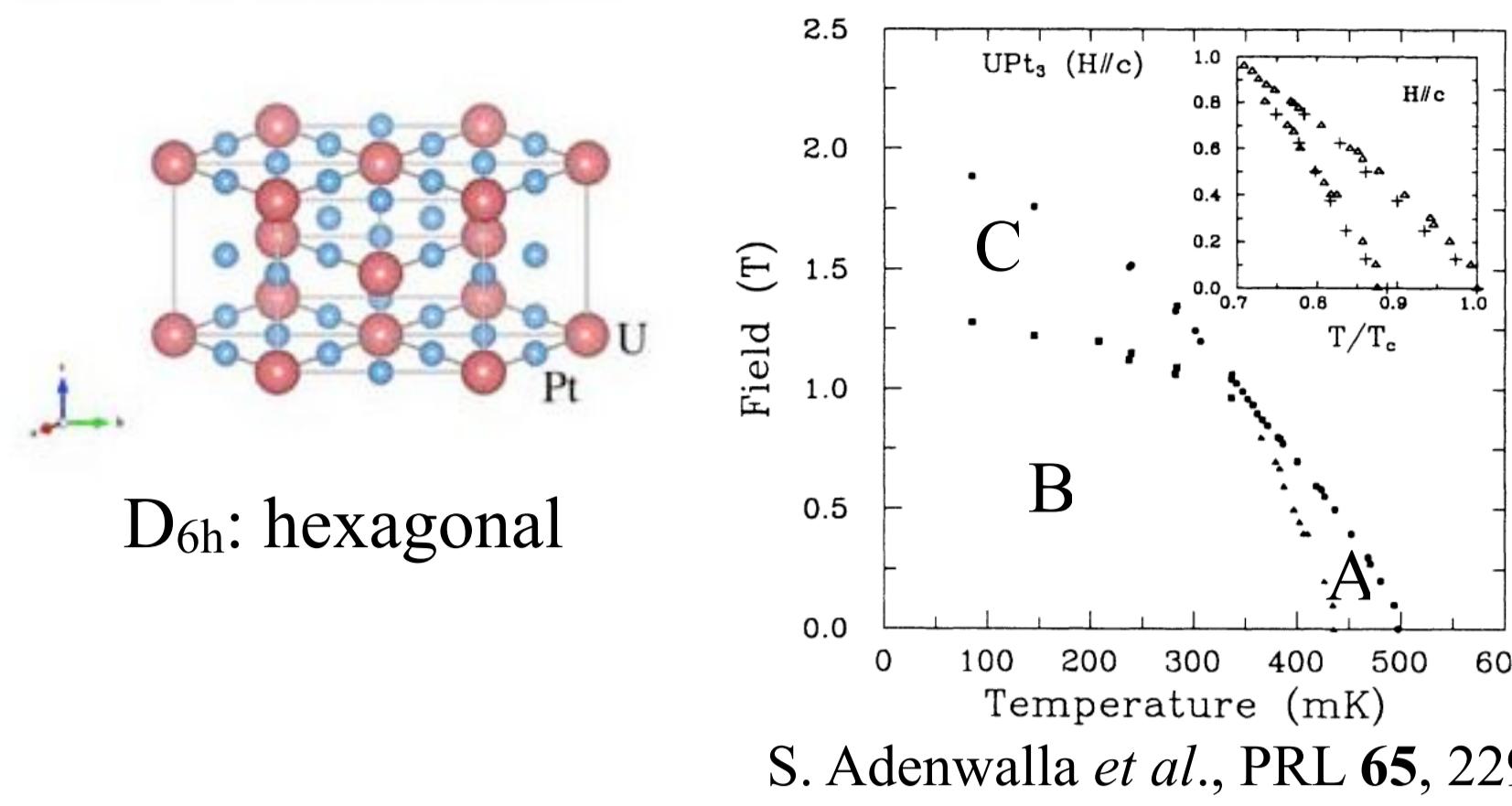
UPt₃ as a Topological Superconductor

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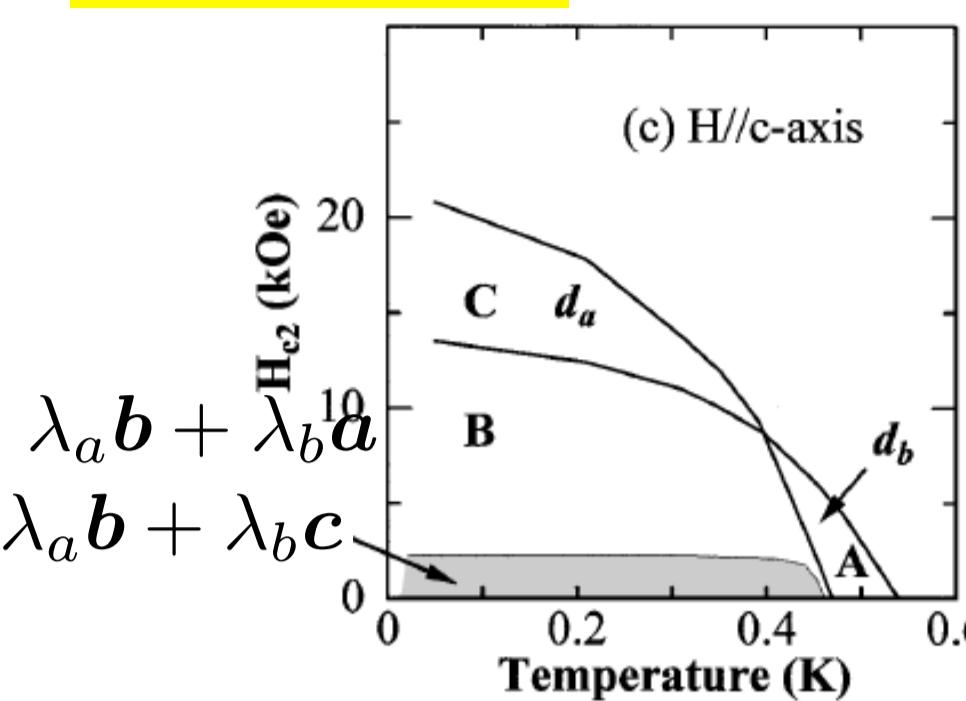
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Introduction

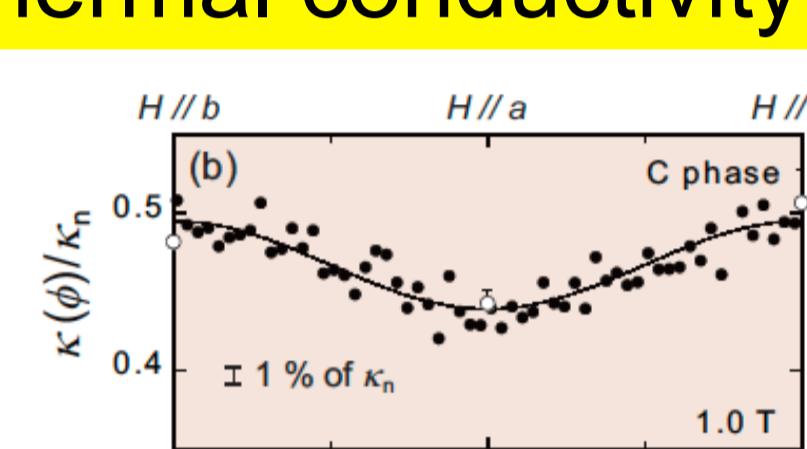


- line node and point node
- spin-triplet state

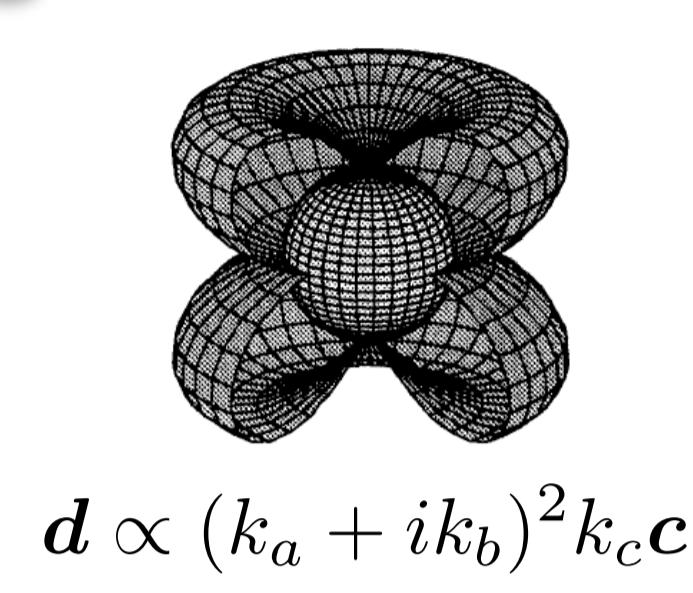
Knight shift



thermal conductivity

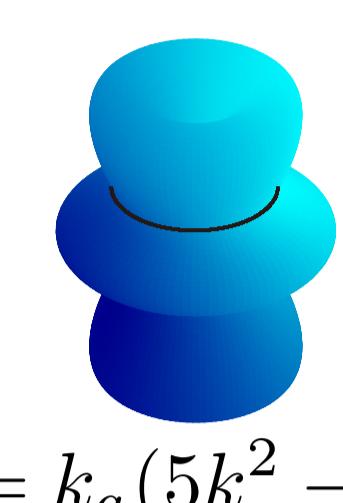


E_{2u} representation



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E_{1u} representation



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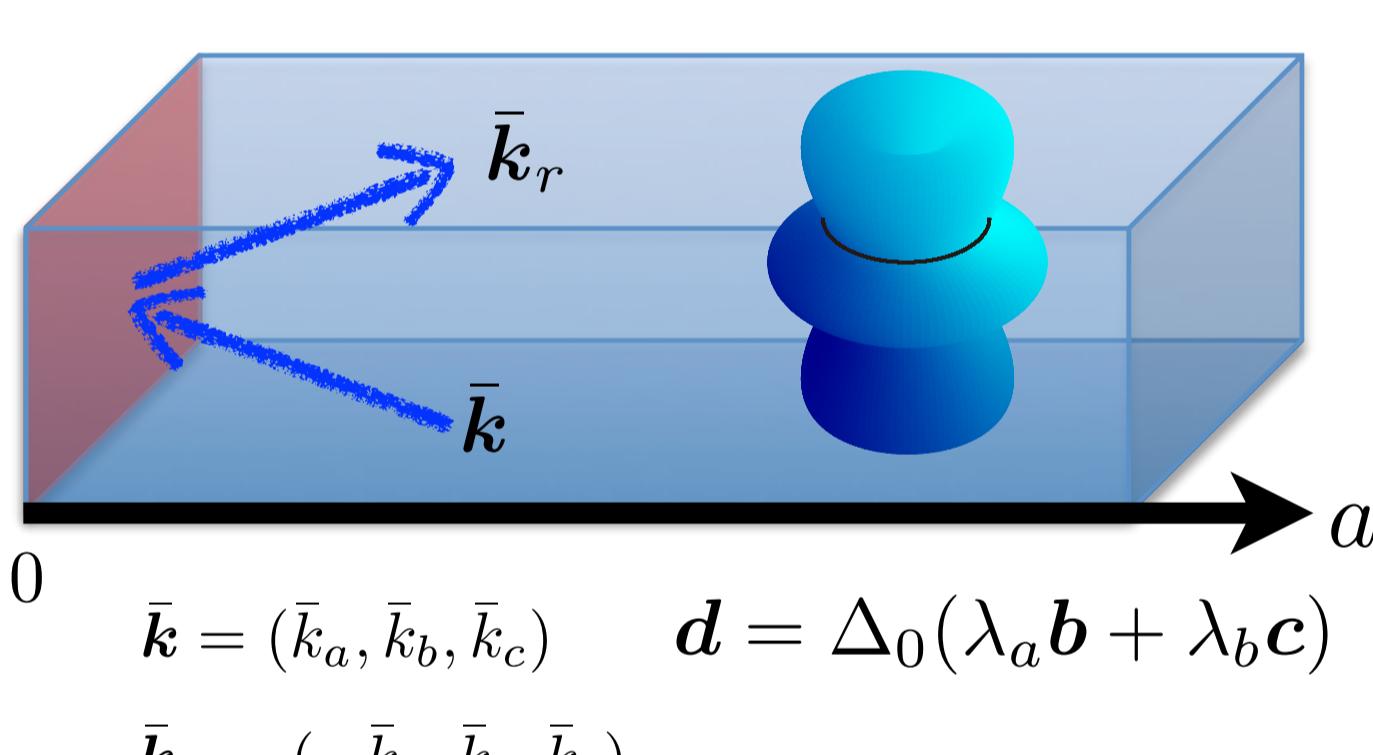
- We have studied topological states (edge and vortex states) in the E_{1u} representation with time-reversal and particle-hole symmetries.
- We suggest detection of the topological property distinguishable from the E_{2u} representation.

Edge State

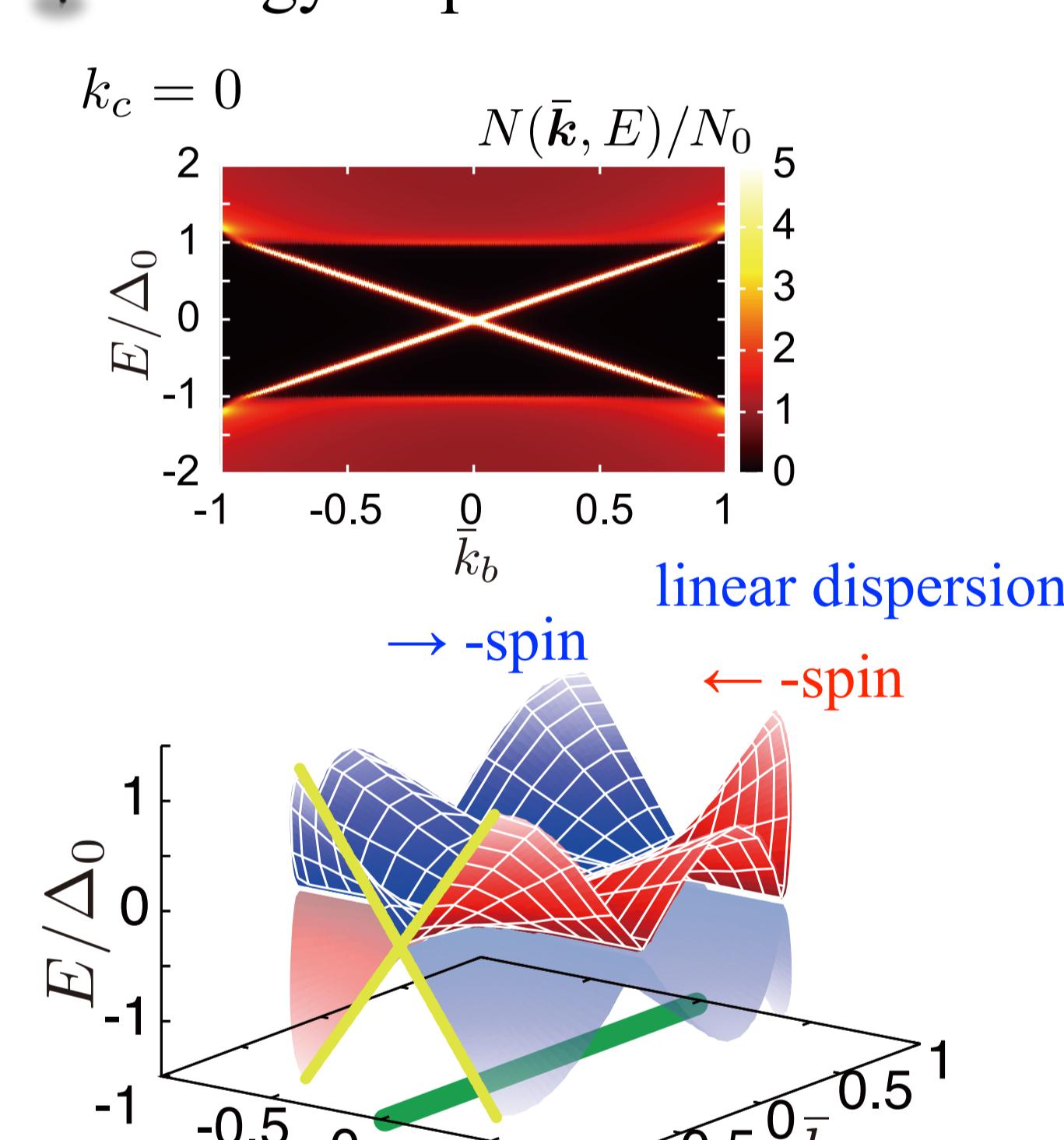
System

specular edge

$$\hat{g}(\bar{k}, a=0, \omega_n) = \hat{g}(\bar{k}_r, a=0, \omega_n)$$



Energy dispersion



Majorana Ising anisotropy

General Hamiltonian

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}(\bar{k}) = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0(\bar{k}) + \hat{\mathcal{H}}_H$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_0(\bar{k}) = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\epsilon}(\bar{k}) & \hat{\Delta}(\bar{k}) \\ \hat{\Delta}^\dagger(\bar{k}) & -\hat{\epsilon}^T(-\bar{k}) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\mathcal{H}}_H = \begin{pmatrix} -\mu_B \mathbf{H} \cdot \hat{\sigma} & 0 \\ 0 & \mu_B \mathbf{H} \cdot \hat{\sigma}^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$\hat{\epsilon}(\bar{k})$: general normal state Hamiltonian with D_{6h} symmetry

Mirror reflection in ca-plane

$$\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca} & \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca}^* \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca} \propto i\hat{\sigma}_b$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca}\hat{\mathcal{H}}_0(k_a, k_b, k_c)\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca}^\dagger = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0(k_a, -k_b, k_c)$$

$$[\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca}, \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0] = 0, \quad (k_b = 0)$$

Mirror chiral operator

$$\Gamma = \mathcal{T}\mathcal{C}\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ca}$$

$$\{\Gamma, \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0\} = 0, \quad (k_b = 0)$$

1D winding number

$$w(k_c) = -\frac{1}{4\pi i} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk_a \text{tr}[\Gamma \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0^{-1} \partial_{k_a} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0]$$

$$|w(k_c)| = 2, \quad (k_b = 0, |k_c| < k_F)$$

zero energy state

Magnetic field

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{H} \cdot \hat{\sigma}) \tau_z \Gamma^\dagger = (H_a \sigma_a - H_b \sigma_b + H_c \sigma_c) \tau_z$$

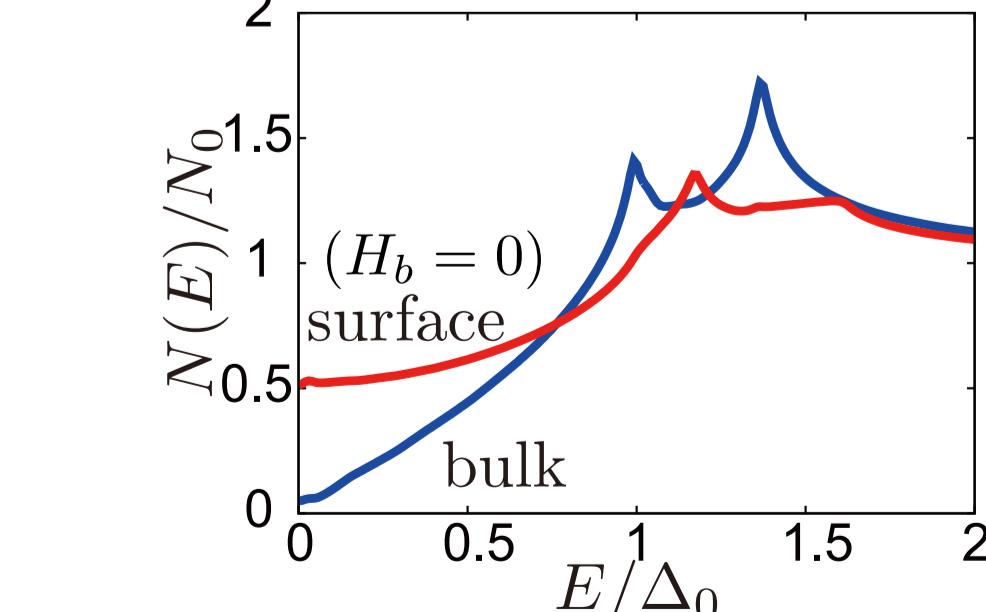
$w(k_c)$ is invariant without H_b

Zero energy state is protected by mirror chiral symmetry without H_b . Majorana Ising anisotropy

$$E = \pm \sqrt{E_0^2 + (\mu_B H_b)^2}$$

Surface LDOS

≈ Tunneling conductance



Formulation

$$\Delta/E_F \ll 1$$

Eilenberger equation

$$-i\hbar v_F(\bar{k}) \cdot \nabla \hat{g}(\bar{k}, \mathbf{r}, \omega_n) = \left[\begin{pmatrix} i\omega_n \hat{1} & -\hat{\Delta}(\bar{k}, \mathbf{r}) \\ \hat{\Delta}^\dagger(\bar{k}, \mathbf{r}) & -i\omega_n \hat{1} \end{pmatrix}, \hat{g}(\bar{k}, \mathbf{r}, \omega_n) \right]$$

$$\hat{g} = -i\pi \begin{pmatrix} \hat{g} & i\hat{f} \\ -i\hat{f} & -\hat{g} \end{pmatrix} \quad \bar{k} = \mathbf{k}/k_F \quad \hat{\Delta}$$

Gap equation

$$\hat{\Delta}(\bar{k}, \mathbf{r}) = N_0 \pi k_B T \sum_{|\omega_n| \leq \omega_c} \langle V(\bar{k}, \bar{k}') \hat{f}(\bar{k}', \mathbf{r}, \omega_n) \rangle_{\bar{k}'}$$

Local density of states (LDOS)

$$\hat{g} = \begin{pmatrix} g_0 + g_z & g_x - ig_y \\ g_x + ig_y & g_0 - g_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$N(\mathbf{r}, E) = \langle N(\bar{k}, \mathbf{r}, E) \rangle_{\bar{k}} = N_0 \langle \text{Re}[g_0(\bar{k}, \mathbf{r}, \omega_n)] |_{i\omega_n \rightarrow E + i\eta} \rangle_{\bar{k}}$$

vortex // c

Bogoliubov-de Gennes equation

$$\int d\rho_2 \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\epsilon}_{k_c}(\rho_1, \rho_2) & \hat{\Delta}_{k_c}(\rho_1, \rho_2) \\ -\hat{\Delta}_{-k_c}^\dagger(\rho_1, \rho_2) & -\hat{\epsilon}_{-k_c}^T(\rho_1, \rho_2) \end{pmatrix} u_{\nu, k_c}(\rho_2) = E_{\nu, k_c} u_{\nu, k_c}(\rho_1)$$

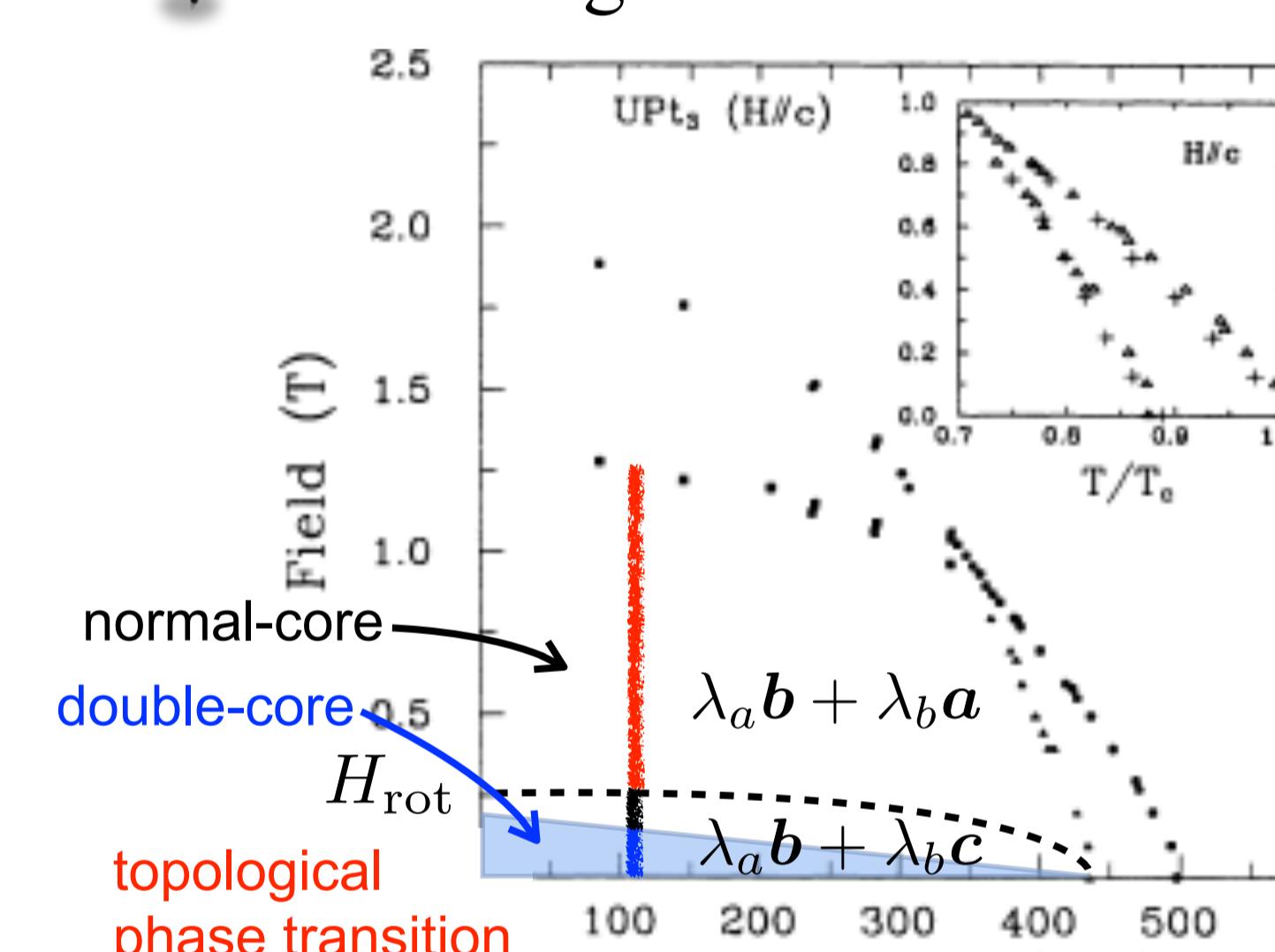
$$\rho = (\rho_1 + \rho_2)/2, \quad \rho_{12} = \rho_1 - \rho_2$$

$$\hat{\epsilon}_{k_c}(\rho_1, \rho_2) = \delta(\rho_{12}) \left[-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla_\rho^2}{2m} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(k_F^2 - k_c^2) \right] \hat{1}$$

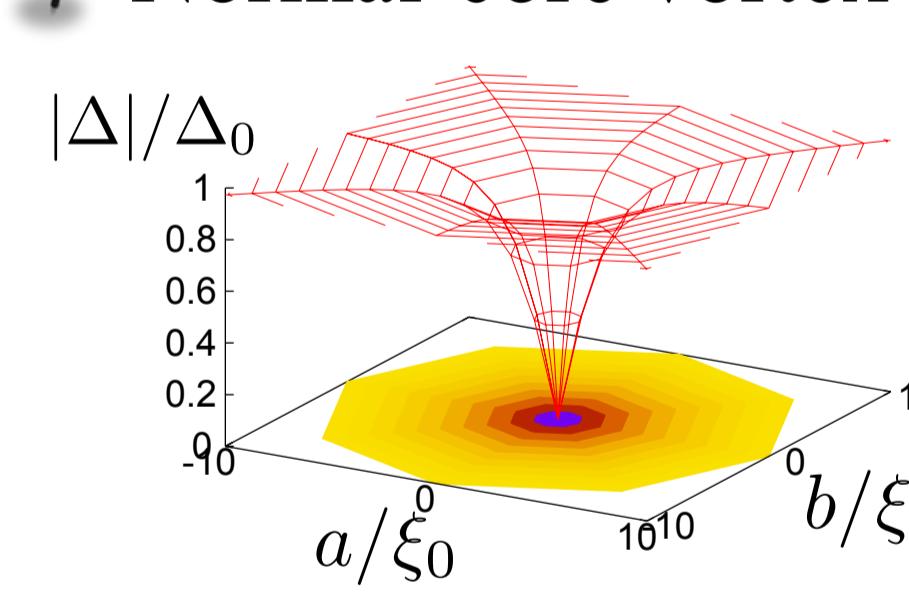
$$\hat{\Delta}_{k_c}(\rho_1, \rho_2) = \int \frac{dk^{2D}}{(2\pi)^2} \hat{\Delta}(\mathbf{k}, \rho) e^{i\mathbf{k}^{2D} \cdot \rho_{12}}$$

Vortex State

Phase diagram



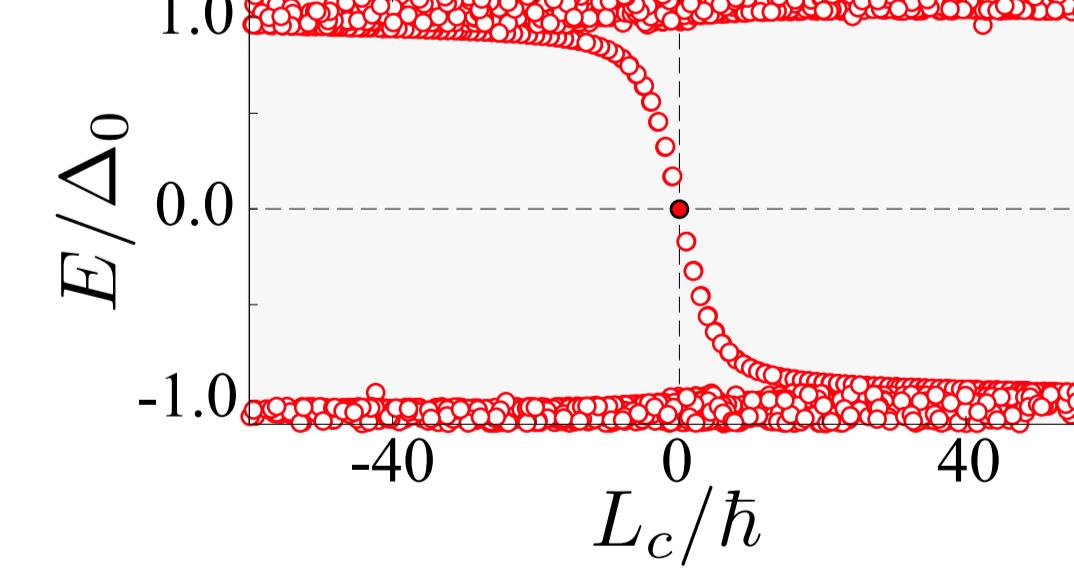
Normal-core vortex



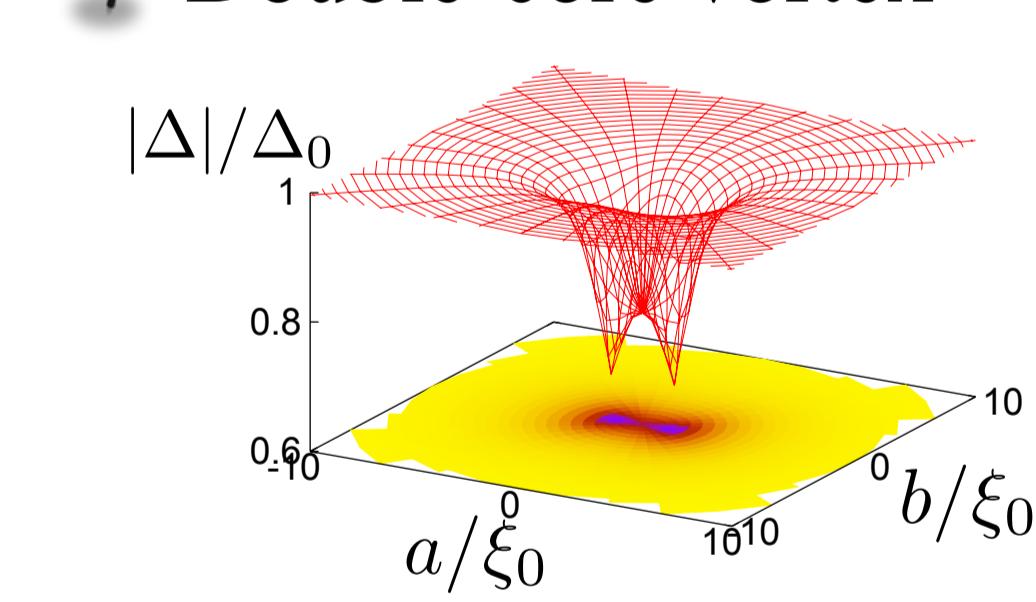
$$H > H_{\text{rot}} : d = \Delta_0 e^{i\varphi} (\lambda_a b + \lambda_b a)$$

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$$k_c = 0$$



Double-core vortex



$$d = \Delta_0 e^{i\varphi} (\lambda_a b + \lambda_b c) \quad r \rightarrow \infty$$

$$d = \Delta_{\text{core}} \lambda_b a \quad r = 0$$

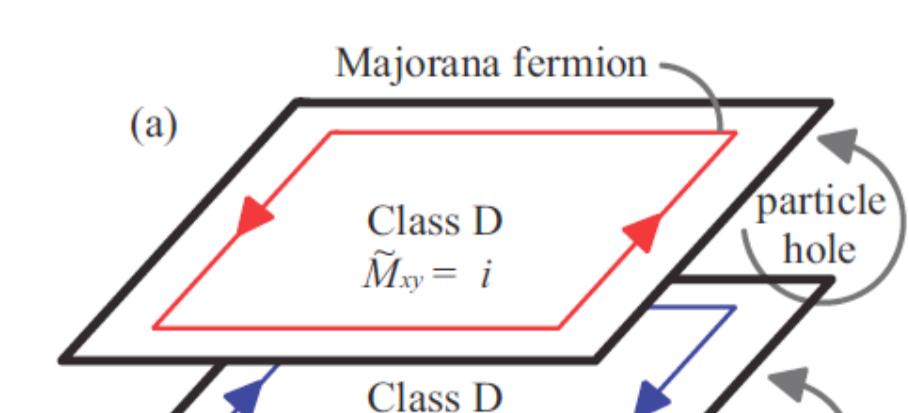
Symmetry protection

Mirror reflection in ab-plane

$$\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab}^{(-)} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab} & \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab}^* \\ -\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab}^* & -\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab} \propto i\hat{\sigma}_c$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab} \hat{\Delta}(\mathbf{k}) \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab}^T = -\hat{\Delta}(k_a, k_b, -k_c) \quad \text{in high field: } \lambda_a b + \lambda_b a$$

$$[\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{ab}^{(-)}, \hat{\Delta}(\mathbf{k})] = 0, \quad (k_c = 0)$$



Ueno et al., arXiv:1303.0202.

Summary

We have studied topological states of UPt₃ B-phase.

- Edge state has linear dispersion with zero energy state showing Majorana Ising anisotropy, which will be detected by the tunneling spectroscopy.

- Vortex state undergoes topological phase transition from topologically trivial Dirac modes to topologically protected Majorana zero modes.

Y. Tsutsumi et al., arXiv:1307.1264.