スピン軌道相互作用を有する冷却原子系における *CP²スキルミオン*結晶とその派生相

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Summary of my talk

Hamiltonian = SU(3) Heisenberg + SU(2) Heisenberg + Zeeman + Generalized DM



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Recent trends

- 3D topological soliton
 - Skyrmion string
 - Hopfion

Composite & Constituent

- multi-Skyrmion
- Skyrmionium
- fractional Skyrmion (meron)

Different surroundings

- anti-ferromagnets
- ferrimagnets
- SU(N) magnets

These figures are taken from

[B. Göbel, I. Mertig, & O. Tretiakov, Phys. Rep. 895, 1 (2021)]













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Mean-field phase diagram (square lattice)

[N. Papanicolaou, Nucl. Phys. B 305, 367]



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Spin-1 Bose-Hubbard model with spin-orbit coupling

$$H_{\rm BH} = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \left[\hat{b}_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} \left(e^{iA_{i,j}} \right)_{\sigma\rho} \hat{b}_{j,\rho} + \text{H. c.} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \left[U_0 \, \hat{n}_i (\hat{n}_i - 1) + U_2 \left(\widehat{S}_i^2 + 2\hat{n}_i \right) \right] - h \sum_{i} \hat{S}_i^z$$

$$\overset{\text{M}}{\longrightarrow} A_{i,i \pm e_x} = \pm \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{2}} \tau^x, \quad A_{i,i \pm e_y} = \pm \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{2}} \tau^y \qquad \tau^a: \text{Spin-1 matrix}$$

$$[\text{Juzeliūnas, Ruseckas, Dalibard, PRA 81, 053403 (2010)]}$$



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$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \left[\underbrace{J \ \hat{T}_{i}^{\alpha} \hat{T}_{j}^{\alpha}}_{SU(3)} + \underbrace{K \ \hat{S}_{i}^{\alpha} \hat{S}_{j}^{\alpha}}_{SU(2)} + \underbrace{2f_{\alpha\beta\gamma} A_{i,j}^{\alpha} \hat{T}_{i}^{\beta} \hat{T}_{j}^{\gamma}}_{Generalized DM} \right] - h \sum_{i} \hat{S}_{i}^{z} \qquad (J < 0)$$

$$H_{DM} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \varepsilon_{abc} D_{i,j}^{a} \hat{S}_{i}^{b} \hat{S}_{j}^{c}$$

$$SU(3) \text{ operators} \quad \hat{T}_{j}^{\alpha} = (\lambda^{\alpha})_{\sigma\rho} |\sigma\rangle_{j} \langle \rho|_{j} \text{ where } \hat{S}_{j}^{z} |\sigma\rangle_{j} \equiv \sigma |\sigma\rangle_{j}$$

$$SU(3) \text{ spin coherent state} \quad |Z\rangle = \bigotimes_{j} |Z_{j}\rangle \text{ with } |Z_{j}\rangle = Z_{j}^{\sigma} |\sigma\rangle_{j}$$

$$At the single site level, |Z_{j}\rangle \text{ can describe any spin-1 state at site } j.$$

$$Z_{j} = (Z_{j}^{+1}, Z_{j}^{0}, Z_{j}^{-1})^{T} \text{ takes its value on } S^{5}/S^{1} = SU(3)/U(2) = CP^{2}.$$

$$Topological charge \qquad N = -\frac{1}{64\pi} \sum_{\langle ijk \rangle} f_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \langle \hat{T}_{i}^{\alpha} \rangle \langle \hat{T}_{j}^{\beta} \rangle \langle \hat{T}_{k}^{\gamma} \rangle \in \pi_{2}(CP^{2}) = \mathbb{Z}$$

Ground state phase diagram

*CP*² *Double-Skyrmion crystal* (D-SkX)

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*CP*² *Meron crystal* (MeX)



[**YA**, Y. Akagi, et al., PRB **106**, L100406 (2022)]



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CP² Double-Skyrmion crystal

Triangular lattice of $N = -2 CP^2$ Skyrmions Magnetic Skyrmion-like magnetic structure But, non-trivial quandrupole structure $(J = -1, \kappa = -0.4)$ 1.0 ⁷Li 0.8 Energy density Top. charge density E_i N_i 0.6 -3.2076 -0.086 -0.172 -3.2238 FM -0.258 -K-0.344 -0.430 -3.2400 y D-SkX -3.2562 0.4 -0.516 -0.602 -3.2724 -0.688 -0.774 -0.860 -3.2886 ^{0.2} HM' MeX-SkX ⁴¹K х ⁸⁷Rb crossover 0.4 0.6 0.8 ²³Na

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Meron crystal



Skyrmion crystal





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Skyrmion crystal $\left|\langle \widehat{S}_i \rangle \right|^2$





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Top. charge density

Energy density



Summary

- ✓ We have studied the ground states in an SU(3) spin system obtained as an effective theory of the spin-orbit coupled spin-1 Bose-Hubbard model.
- \checkmark The SU(3) spin systems host various exotic phases:



They possess non-trivial dipole and quadrupole moment structures, unlike the standard magnetic Skyrmions.

Thank you for your attention!