Novel Phenomena in Photonic Flatband Lattices

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Outline

Introduction - flatband systems

Our work (design and demonstration)



Unconventional flatband localization



Square-root higher-order topological insulators



Flat bands (FB)

in tight-binding models



A completely dispersionless band

Zero group velocity

Flat bands: extremely sensitive to perturbation novel strongly correlated many-body physics

Flatband Physics



Flatband Systems



M. R. Slot, et al., Nat. Phys. (2017)

Polaritons



C. E. Whittaker et al., PRL (2018)

Bose-Einstein Condensates

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S. Taie, et al., Sci. Adv. (2015)

Realistic Materials

Magic-angle graphene



R. Chisnell, et al., PRL (2015)

Nature 556, 80 (2018) Nature 556, 43 (2018)

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Photonic flat bands



How to create FB photonic lattices ?



Multiple-beam interference technique (reconfigurable)

Efremidis et al., PRE (2002) Fleischer et al. PRL;Nature (2003). Neshev et al, OL (2003). Cohen et al, Nature (2005).

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How to create FB photonic lattices ?

Site to site cw-laser writing technique for **bounded lattices** (reconfigurable) Quasi-nondiffraction zone From laser 3**0**µm Density **From** laser Filter **Spatial** Filter **SLM** BS L **SBN** L FM $L \lambda/2$ BS 4F system z – shift x Z [2] Μ М

Motivation



Can we design a 2D photonic lattice to represent a 3D torus structure?

- Periodic boundary condition
- Nontrivial loop states
- Real-space topology





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Unconventional Flatband Line States in Photonic Lieb Lattices

Shiqi Xia, Ajith Ramachandran, Shiqiang Xia, Denghui Li, Xiuying Liu, Liqin Tang, Yi Hu, Daohong Song, Jingjun Xu, Daniel Leykam, Sergej Flach, and Zhigang Chen Phys. Rev. Lett. **121**, 263902 – Published 28 December 2018

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Communication

Flatband Line States in Photonic Super-Honeycomb Lattices

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Compact Localized State (CLS)



Aoki, Ando, Matsumura, Phys. Rev. B (1996) Bodyfelt, Leykam, Danieli, Yu, Flach, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2014)

Demonstration of CLS in Photonic lattices

• Lieb lattices:

R. A. Vicencio, et al., PRL. (2015);S. Mukherjee, et al., PRL. (2015)S. Xia , et al., OL. (2016)

- Kagome lattices:
 Y. Zong et al. OE. (2016);
- Rhombic lattices
 - S. Mukherjee, et al. OL (2015) ; OL(2017); Nat Commun (2017); PRL(2018)
 - S. Xia, et al., APL Photon.(2020);
 - S. Longhi, OL (2014) ; OL (2019) ;
 - R. Khomeriki, et al. PRL (2016)



... ...

CLSs incomplete?





No all CLSs are independent

Elementary hexagon

Bergman, Wu, Balents, PRB 78, 125104 (2008) Ramachandran, Andreanov, Flach, PRB 96, 161104(R) (2017). J.-W. Rhim, B.-J. Yang, PRB 99, 045107 (2019)

Why are CLSs incomplete?



- On torus with N unit cells, find N-1 linearly independent states
- Where is the missing state?

Answer:

- Two non-contractible loops formed on the torus.

- Total states: N+1 states
- This requires another band to touch the flat band.
- Non-contractible loops states(NLS) is not equal to CLS in topology
- real space topology

NLSs in Kagome



Question

Such **NLSs** exist in principle only in the infinite flat-band lattices, or forming noncontractible loops on a torus.



What happens at the open boundary?

Unconventional line localization in truncated Lieb



Xia, ..., Song, Leykam, Flach, Chen, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2018)

out-of-phase 17

FB Localization in truncated Super-honeycomb



Yan, ..., Song, ..., Tang, Leykam, Chen. Adv. Opt. Mater. 8, 1902174, (2020)

Truncated Kagome lattice



line state:

$$\psi_{LS}\rangle = c_0 \left(|B_1\rangle - |C_1\rangle + |B_2\rangle - |C_2\rangle + |B_3\rangle - |C_3\rangle + |B_4\rangle \right)$$

applying the Hamiltonian to this line state:

$$H_{k}|\psi_{LS}\rangle = c_{0}t(-|B_{1}\rangle+2|C_{1}\rangle-2|B_{2}\rangle+2|C_{2}\rangle-2|B_{3}\rangle+2|C_{3}\rangle-|B_{4}\rangle)$$



Corbino-Kagome geometry



Demonstration of NLS in Corbino-Kagome lattices

J. Ma, J.-W. Rhim, L. Tang, ..., B.-J. Yang, D. Leykam, Z. Chen. Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 183901(2020).



Direct observation of the NLS – real space topology

Outline



Unconventional flatband localization



Photonic square-root higher-order topological insulators



oscillations in Non-Hermitian

Realization of second-order photonic square-

root topological insulators

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Conventional topological insulators

(D-1) dimensional boundary states in a **D**-dimensional gapped bulk



2D surface state in a 3D TI

Tokura, Yasuda, Tsukazaki. Nat. Rev. Phys. 1,126 (2019)

Higher-order topological insulators (HOTI)



(D-n) dimensional gapless boundary states in a Ddimensional gapped bulk

> (n-th) order HOTI ($n \ge 2$)

0D corner states in a 2D or 3D TIs

W. A. Benalcazar, et al. Science, 357,61 (2017)

Experimental Demonstration of HOTIs



Other systems

HOTI in bismuth: F. Schindler, et al. <u>Nature Physics</u> 14, 918 (2018) HOTI in electric circuits: S. Imhof, et al. <u>Nature Physics</u> 14, 925 (2018)

Super-honeycomb Lattices(SHCLs)



Motivation: Photonic Square-root HOTIs



 inherited from the nontrivial square root of its parent lattice Hamiltonian

Electric circuits

Nano Lett. 20, 7566 (2020)

Acoustics

Phys. Rev. B. 102, 180102 (2020)







Nat. Commun.11, 907 (2020)

Square root Hamiltonian



Corner states in SHCL (Square root HOTIs)



Square root topological property





Use the bulk polarization as a topological invariant

 $2\pi p_n = \arg \theta_n(K) \pmod{2\pi}$

where

 $\theta_{n}(\boldsymbol{k}) = \boldsymbol{u}_{n}^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{k}) \cdot (U_{\boldsymbol{k}}\boldsymbol{u}_{n}(\boldsymbol{k}))$

The topological property of corner states in SHCL is inherited from breathing Kagome model

Mizoguchi , Kuno , Hatsugai, Phys. Rev. A. 102, 033527 (2020)

Experimental observation-two kinds of corner states

Experimental lattices



Outline





Unconven loci

Higher-order exceptional point and Landau-Zener Bloch oscillations in driven non-Hermitian photonic Lieb lattices

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Landau-Zener Bloch oscillations in Non-Hermitian flatband lattices

Flatbands in non-Hermitian systems



Bloch Oscillation with Flatbands

PRL 116, 245301 (2016)

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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Landau-Zener Bloch Oscillations with Perturbed Flat Bands

Ramaz Khomeriki^{1,2} and Sergej Flach^{2,3}

PHYSICAL REVIEW A 103, 023721 (2021)

Stable Bloch oscillations and Landau-Zener tunneling in a non-Hermitian \mathcal{PT} -symmetric flat-band lattice

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Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 245301 (2016) arXiv:1706.01107 (2017) Phys. Rev. A 103, 023721 (2021). Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 123601 (2009) Sci. Rep. 5, 1 (2015) Nat. Commun. 7, 1–6 (2016)

PT Lieb ribbon with external field



t = 1 $f_{1} = t(1+ig)$ $t_{2} = t(1-ig)$ g : non-Hermitian parameter

Hamiltonian in the tight-binding approximation

$$H = \sum_{n} -\left(t_{1}a_{n}^{\dagger}b_{n} + t_{2}a_{n}^{\dagger}b_{n-1} + ta_{n}^{\dagger}c_{n} + t_{2}e_{n}^{\dagger}d_{n} + t_{1}e_{n}^{\dagger}d_{n-1} + te_{n}^{\dagger}c_{n} + h.c.\right) + \Delta\beta_{y}\left(a_{n}^{\dagger}a_{n} + b_{n}^{\dagger}b_{n} - d_{n}^{\dagger}d_{n} - e_{n}^{\dagger}e_{n}\right) + n\Delta\beta_{x}\left(a_{n}^{\dagger}a_{n} + b_{n}^{\dagger}b_{n} + c_{n}^{\dagger}c_{n} + d_{n}^{\dagger}d_{n} + e_{n}^{\dagger}e_{n}\right) + \frac{\Delta\beta_{x}}{2}\left(b_{n}^{\dagger}b_{n} + d_{n}^{\dagger}d_{n}\right)$$

unbroken PT phase or completely real spectra?

Spectrum without/with external field



Flatband Landau-Zener-Bloch Oscillation







Flatband Landau-Zener-Bloch Oscillation







Summary



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