

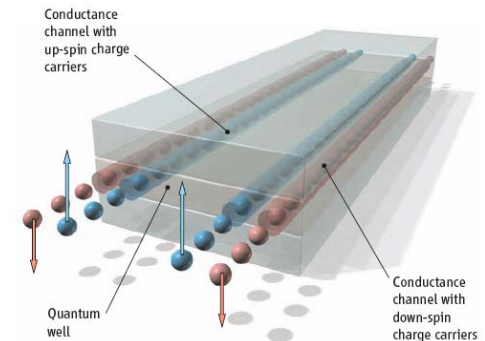
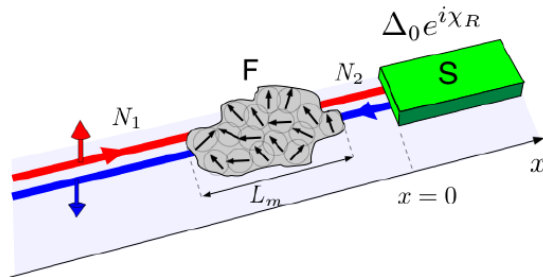


Superconducting hybrids based on QSH systems

Lecture 3

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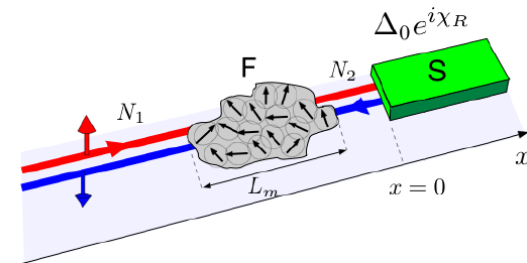
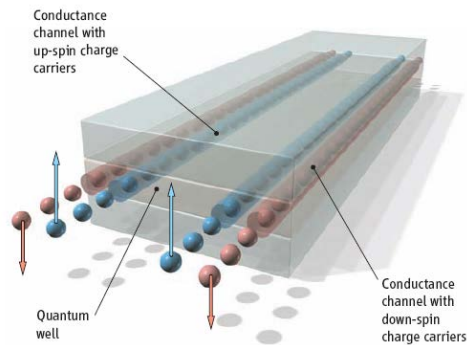


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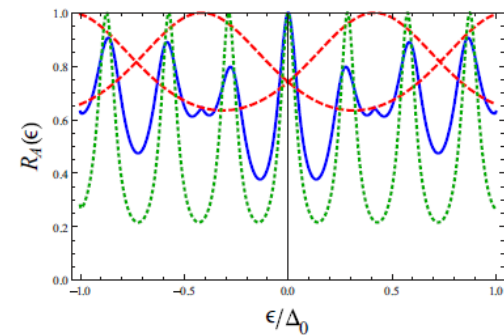




Summary Lecture 1



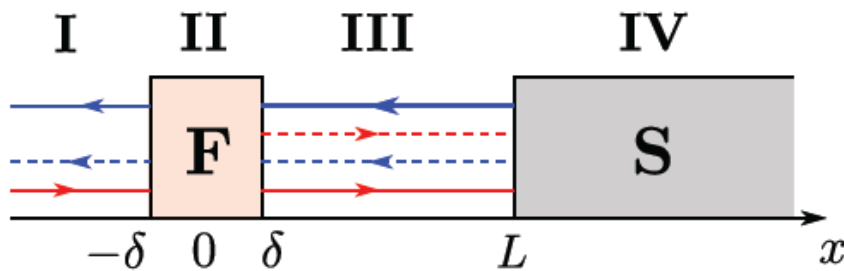
$$H_{BdG} = \begin{pmatrix} H_{0+FM}^e & \Delta(x) \sigma_0 \\ \Delta^*(x) \sigma_0 & H_{0+FM}^h \end{pmatrix}$$



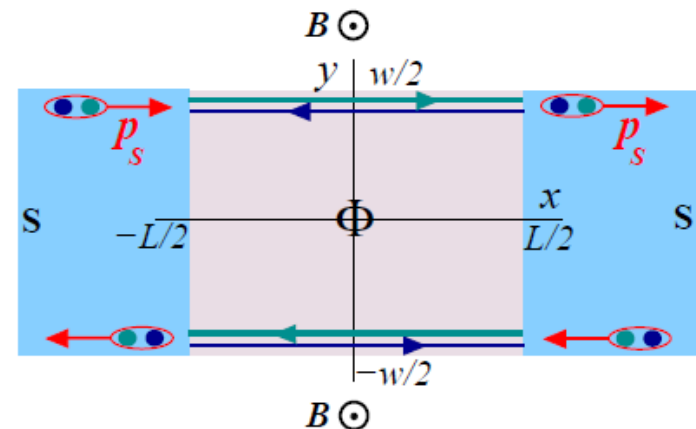
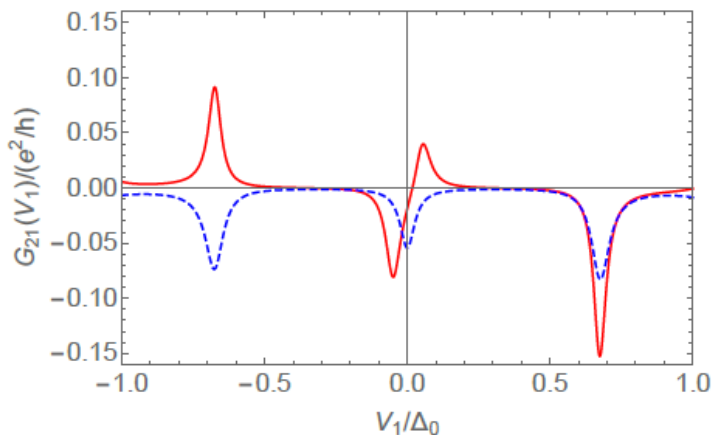
(c) $\mu_0 = 0.35, \mu = 0.3, L_m = 2.15, x_0 = 6$



Summary Lecture 2

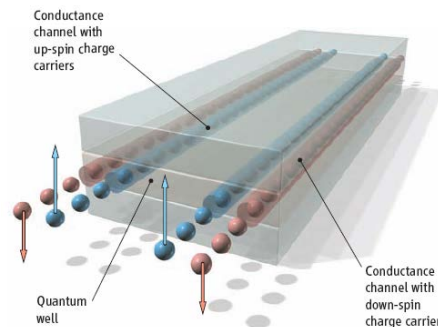
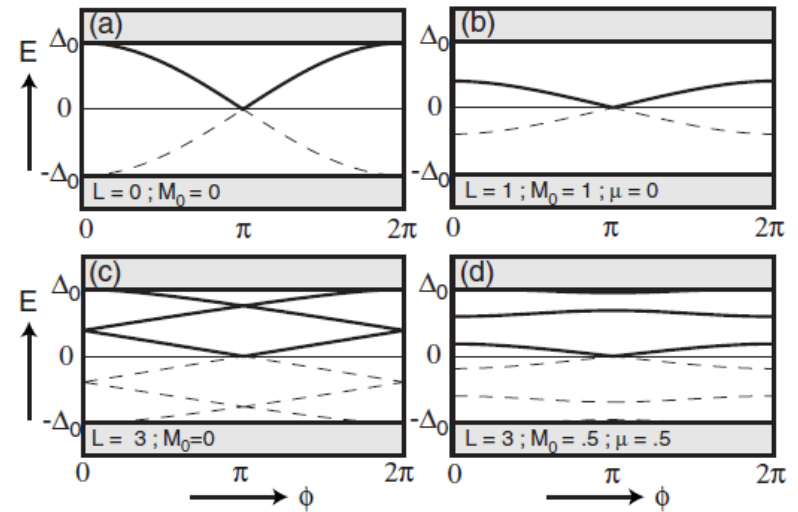
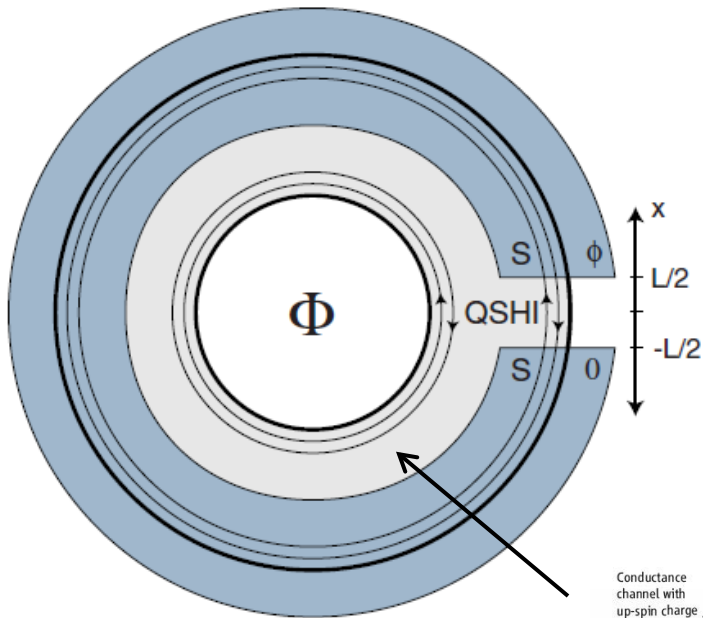


	Pairing	Interface	Bulk
f_0	$\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow$	ESE+OSO	ESE
f_3	$\uparrow\downarrow + \downarrow\uparrow$	ETO+OTE	ETO
$f_{\pm}$	$\uparrow\uparrow, \downarrow\downarrow$	OTE	X





Pioneering prediction



signatures of p-wave
superconductivity?

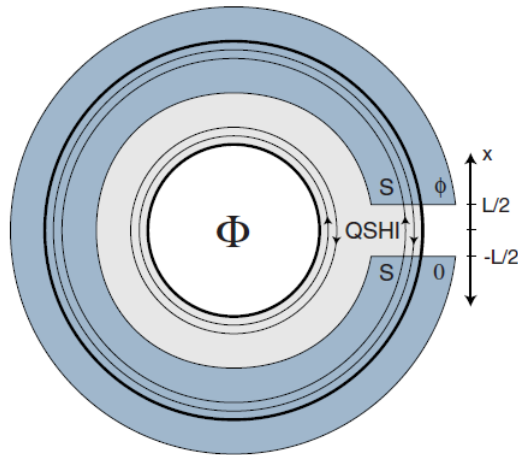


Outline

- Parity constraints in **topological JJs**
- Short junction limit: **simple current-phase relations** -> **parity measurement**
- Long junction limit: **bosonization** -> **influence of Coulomb interactions**



S/QSHI/S: rf SQUID geometry



$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int dx \Psi^\dagger H_{BdG} \Psi$$

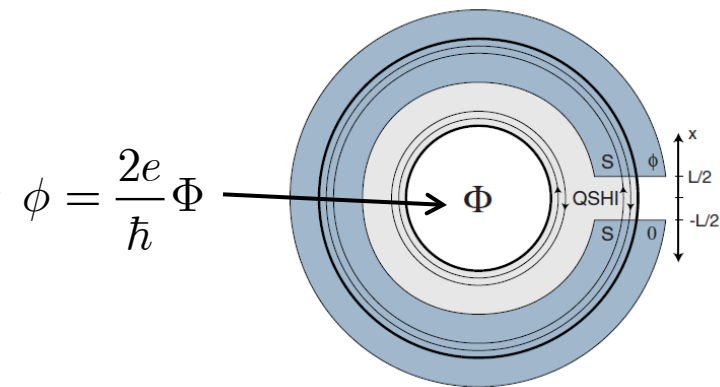
$$\Psi^\dagger = (\psi_{R\uparrow}^\dagger, \psi_{L\downarrow}^\dagger, \psi_{L\downarrow}, -\psi_{R\uparrow})$$

$$H_{BdG} = \left(-iv_F \partial_x \sigma_z - \mu \right) \tau_z + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{M}(x) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_x + \Delta_1(x) \cdot \tau_x + \Delta_2(x) \cdot \tau_y$$



Spectrum of Andreev BS

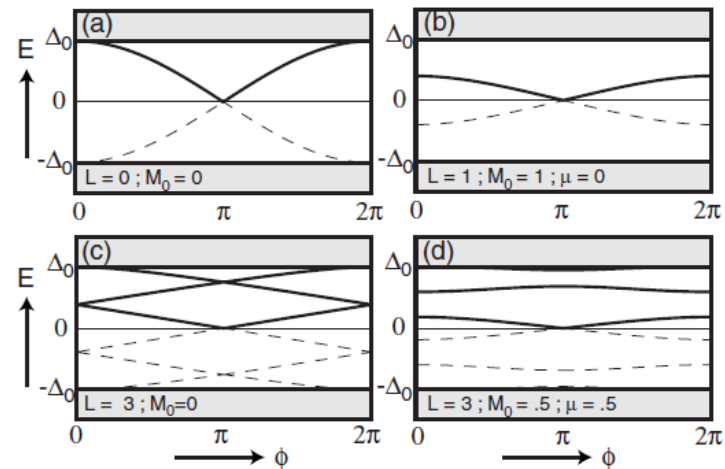
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_1(x) &= \Delta_0 \left[\theta\left(-x - \frac{L}{2}\right) + \theta\left(x - \frac{L}{2}\right) \cos \phi \right] \\ \Delta_2(x) &= \Delta_0 \theta\left(x - \frac{L}{2}\right) \sin \phi \\ M(x) &= M_0 \theta\left(x + \frac{L}{2}\right) \theta\left(-x + \frac{L}{2}\right)\end{aligned}$$



short junction limit:

$$\varepsilon_0(\phi) = \sqrt{D} \Delta_0 \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right)$$

normal-state transmission prob.





Low energy Hamiltonian

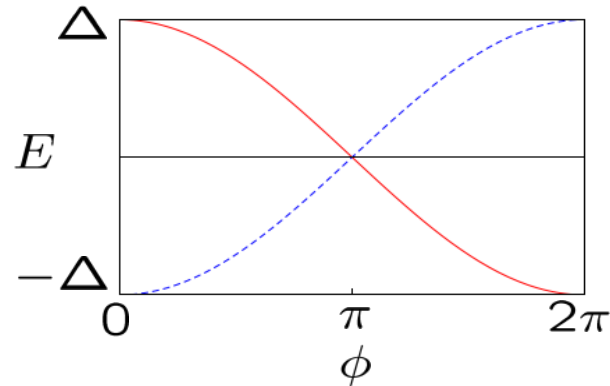
$$E \ll \Delta_0$$

$$H = \varepsilon_0(\phi) \left(\gamma_0^\dagger \gamma_0 - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

describes 2 states:

$$N_0 = \gamma_0^\dagger \gamma_0 = 0, 1$$

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mixing requires a change in $N_0 \leftrightarrow$
parity constraint

$\rightarrow$ crossing at $E=0$ protected

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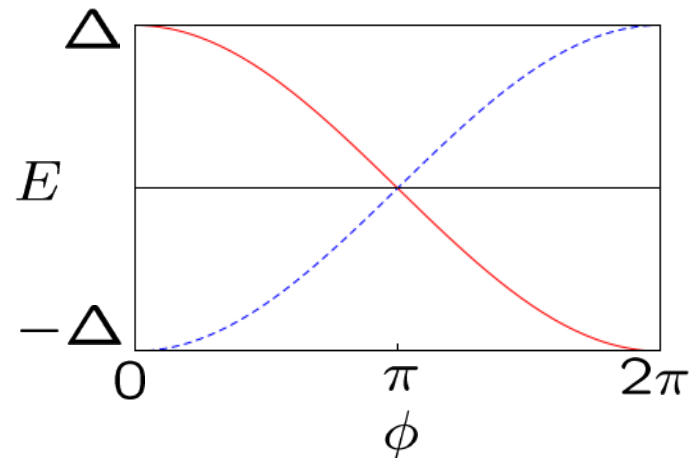
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Fermion parity changes
-> fermion parity anomaly



$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + 2\pi$$

$$\frac{\phi}{2\pi} = \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_0} \text{ with } \Phi_0 = \frac{h}{2e}$$

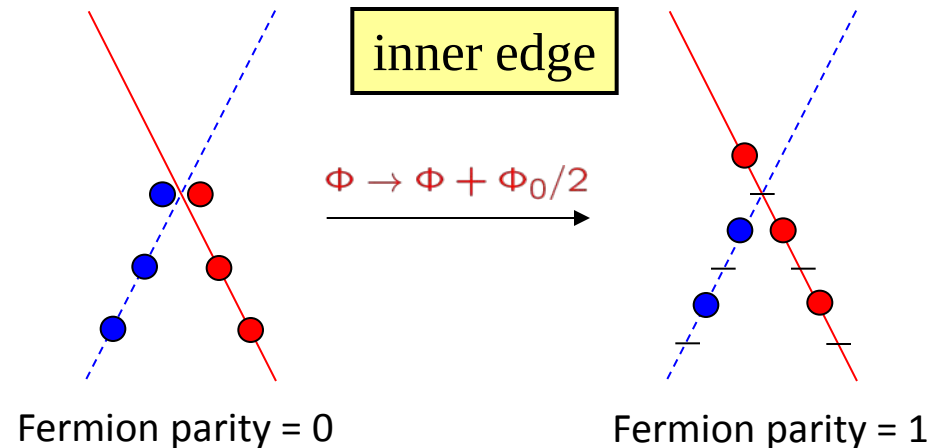
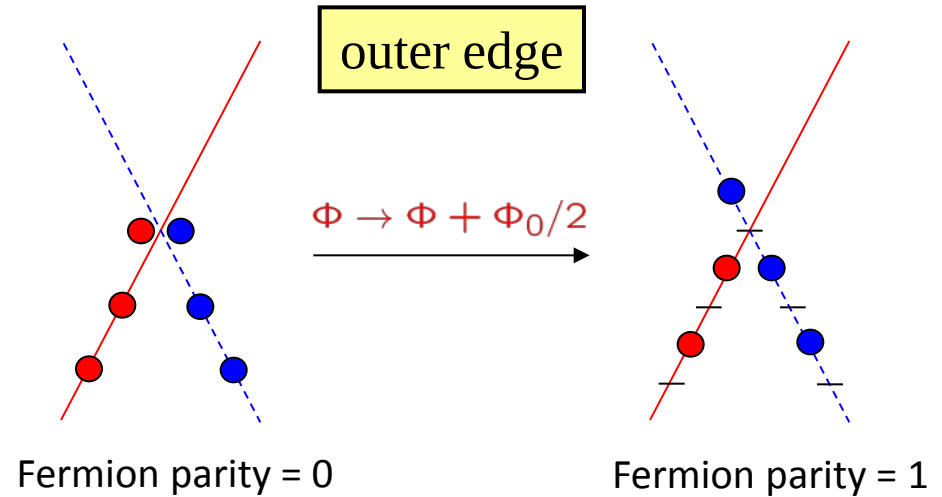
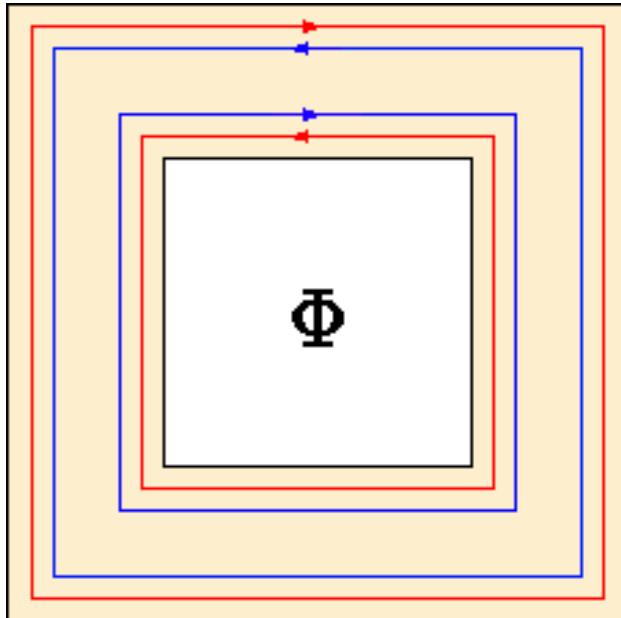


Parity pumping

quantization condition (outer edge):

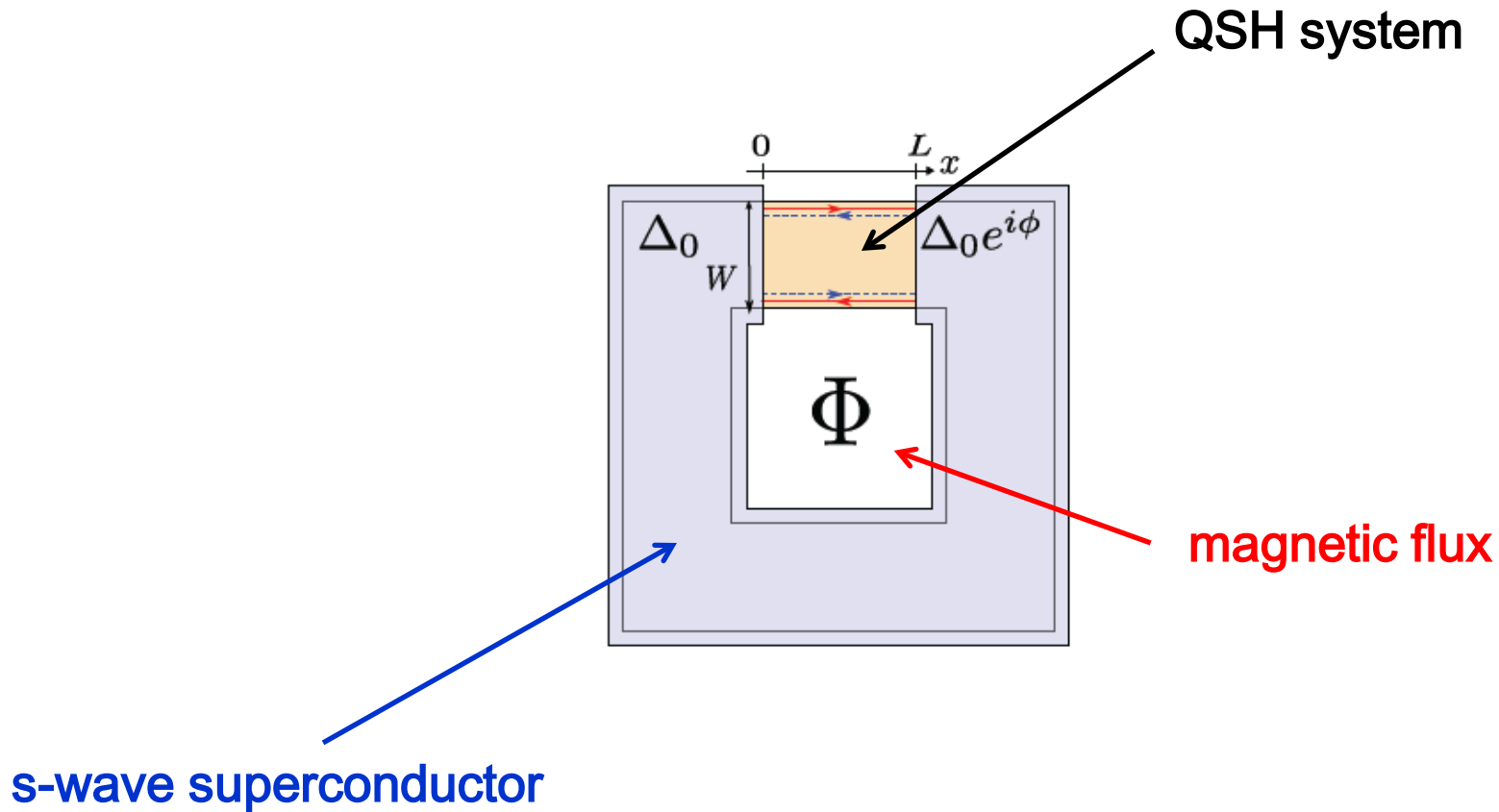
$$k_n = \frac{2\pi}{L_{\text{out}}} \left(n \pm \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_0} \right)$$

$$\Phi_0 = \frac{h}{e}$$



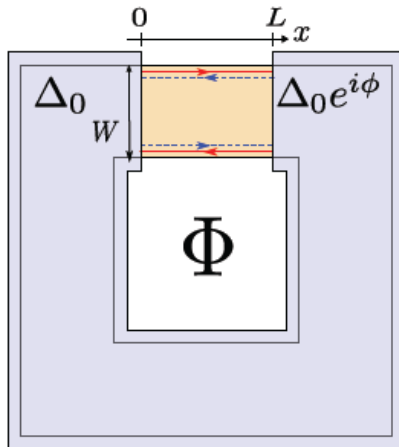


Modified setup





JJ current vs. parity pumping

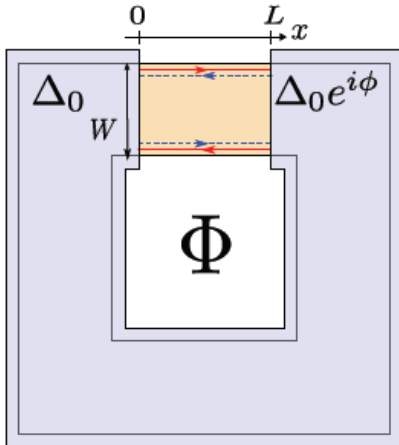


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total fermion parity number: $\Sigma = \sigma \cdot \sigma'$



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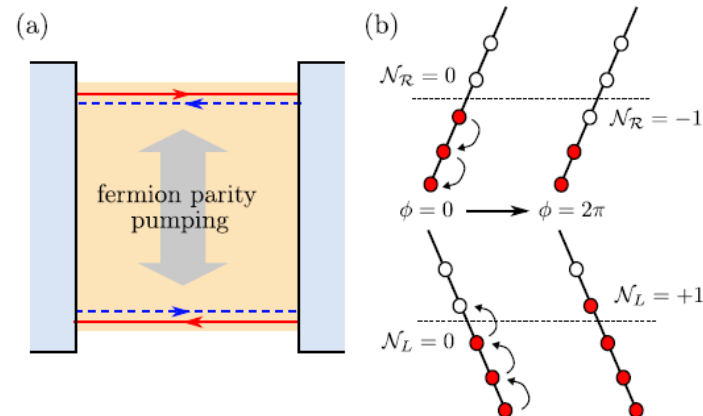


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Fu & Kane PRB 2006

Crépin & BT PRL 2014



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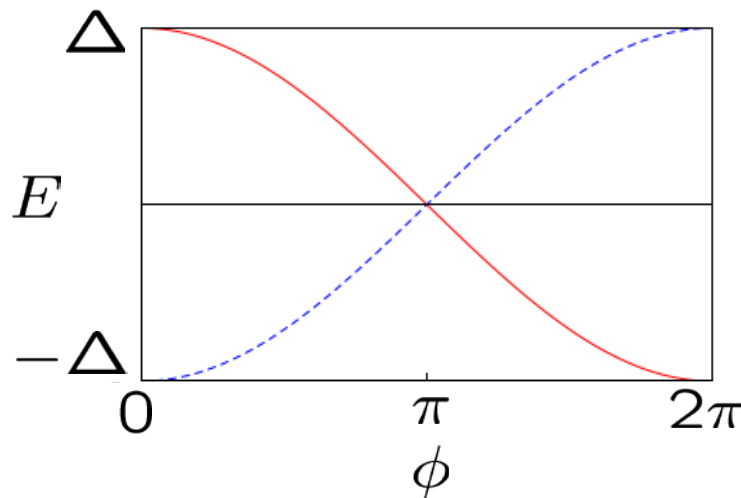
Short junction limit

$$L \ll \xi = v_F / \Delta_0$$

$$I_{up,\pm}[\phi] = I_{down,\pm}[\phi] = \pm I_c \sin\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right)$$

$$I_c = \frac{\Delta_0}{2}$$

Due to Andreev bound states:





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odd parity:

$$J_{+,-}[\phi] = J_{-,+}[\phi] = 0$$

even parity:

$$J_{+,+}[\phi] = -J_{-,-}[\phi] = 2I_c \sin\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right)$$

-> parity detector



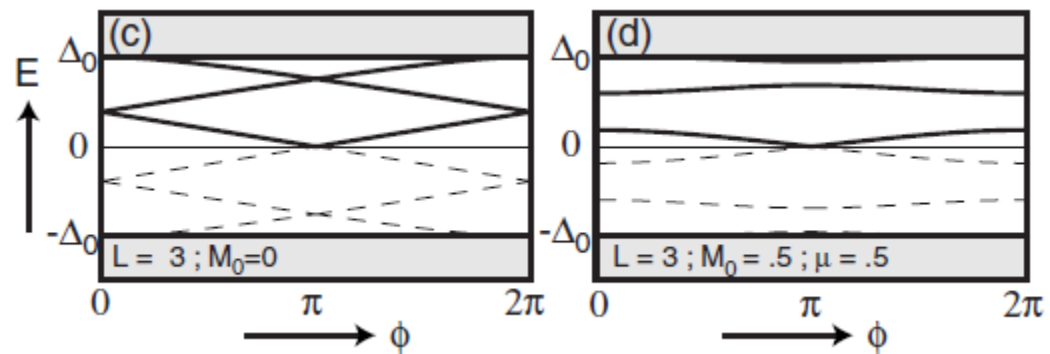
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ABS spectrum:

$$\varepsilon_n = \frac{\pi v_F}{L} \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right) \text{ with } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

valid for $\varepsilon \ll \Delta_0$

Kulik Sov. Phys. JETP 1970



Long junction: twisted BC

perfect AR (upper edge):

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_{R,\uparrow}(0) &= i\psi_{L\downarrow}^\dagger(0) \\ \psi_{R,\uparrow}(L) &= -ie^{i\phi}\psi_{L\downarrow}^\dagger(L)\end{aligned}$$

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Long junction: effective model

BdG Hamiltonian (upper edge):

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Fourier transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{R,\uparrow}(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}} \sum_n \exp \left(i \frac{\pi}{L} \left(x + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right) x \right) c_{R,\uparrow,n} \\ \psi_{L,\downarrow}(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}} \sum_n \exp \left(-i \frac{\pi}{L} \left(x + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right) x \right) c_{L,\downarrow,n} \end{aligned}$$

chiral constraint:

$$\psi_{R,\uparrow}(x,t) = -i \psi_{L,\downarrow}^\dagger(-x,t)$$

$$c_{R,\uparrow,n} = -i c_{L,\downarrow,-n-1}^\dagger$$

$$H_{\text{up}} = \frac{v_F}{2} \sum_n \left[\frac{\pi}{L} \left(n + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right) c_{R,\uparrow,n}^\dagger c_{R,\uparrow,n} + \frac{\pi}{L} \left(n + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right) c_{L,\downarrow,n}^\dagger c_{L,\downarrow,n} \right]$$



Bosonization

number of fermions w/
respect to Fermi sea

chiral bosonic field
(periodic on $[-L, L]$)

$$\psi_{R,\uparrow}(x,t) = F_R \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi a}} e^{i\frac{\pi}{L}\left(\hat{N}_R + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\phi}{2\pi}\right)x} e^{-i\tilde{\phi}_R(x)}$$

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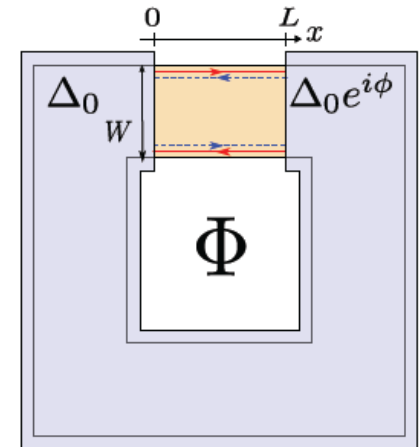
$$\tilde{\phi}_R(x) = -\sum_{q>0} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{Lq}} \left(e^{iqx} b_{R,q} + e^{-iqx} b_{R,q}^\dagger \right) e^{-aq/2}$$



Hamiltonian

$$H_{up} = \frac{v_F \pi}{2L} \left(\hat{N}_R - \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right)^2 + v_F \sum_{q>0} q b_{R,q}^\dagger b_{R,q}$$

$$H_{down} = \frac{v_F \pi}{2L} \left(\hat{N}_L + \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right)^2 + v_F \sum_{q>0} q b_{L,q}^\dagger b_{L,q}$$



$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + 2\pi \quad \rightarrow \text{parity pumping}$$



Josephson current: calculation

$$I_{up,\pm}[\phi] = -\frac{2e}{\hbar} \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \ln Z_{up,\pm}^t[\phi]$$

Topological part of partition function:

$$Z_{up,\pm}^t[\phi] = \sum_{\substack{N_R \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \text{even/odd}}} \exp \left(-\beta \frac{\hbar \pi v_F}{2L} \left(N_R - \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right)^2 \right)$$

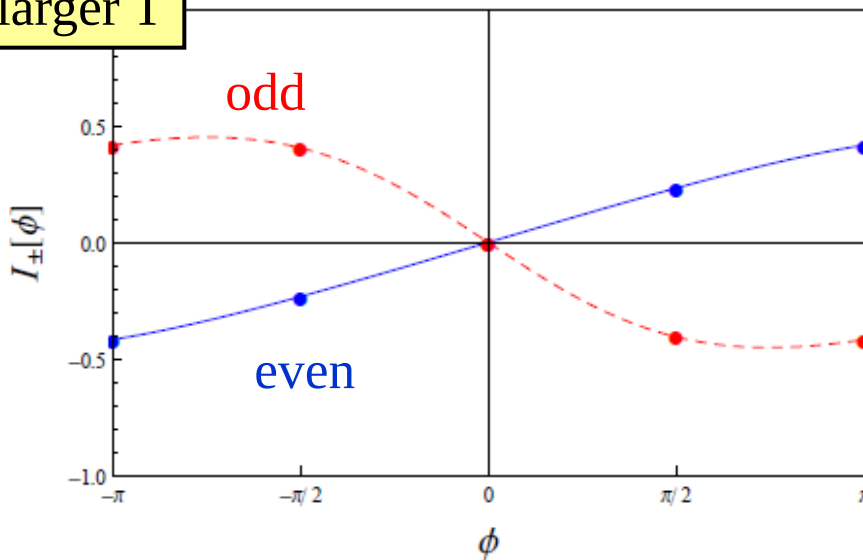
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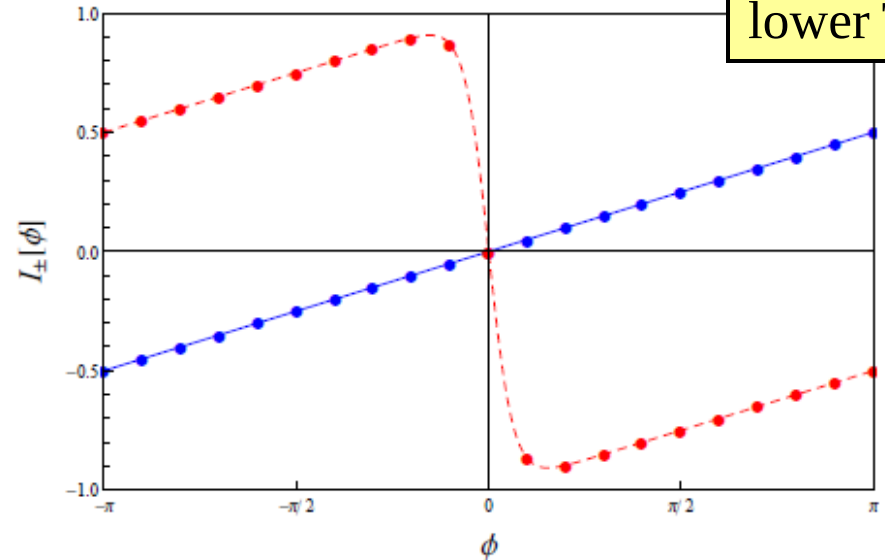
Josephson current: result

$$I_{up,\pm}[\phi] = e \frac{v_F}{L} \frac{\phi}{2\pi} - \frac{2e}{\hbar\beta} \partial_{\phi} \ln \theta_{\frac{3}{2}} \left[i\beta \frac{\hbar\pi v_F}{2L} \frac{\phi}{\pi}, e^{-2\beta \frac{\hbar\pi v_F}{L}} \right]$$

larger T



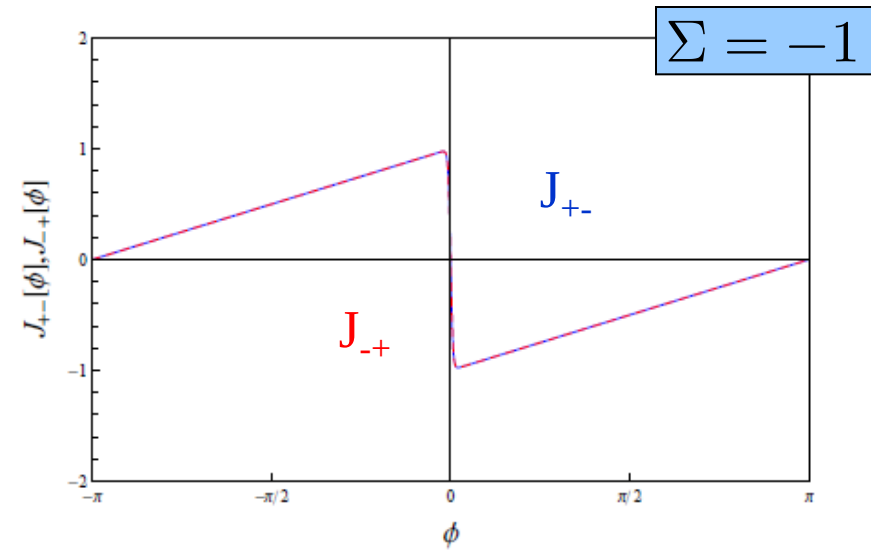
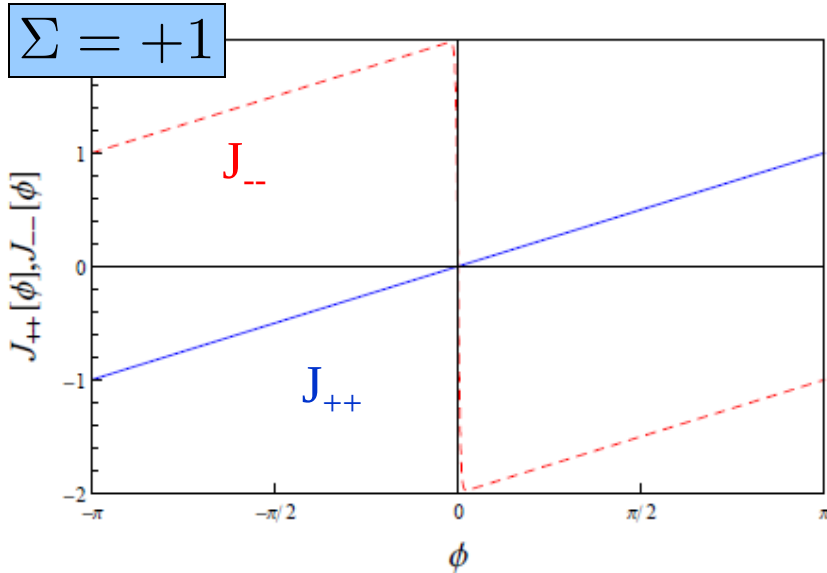
lower T





Josephson current: combined

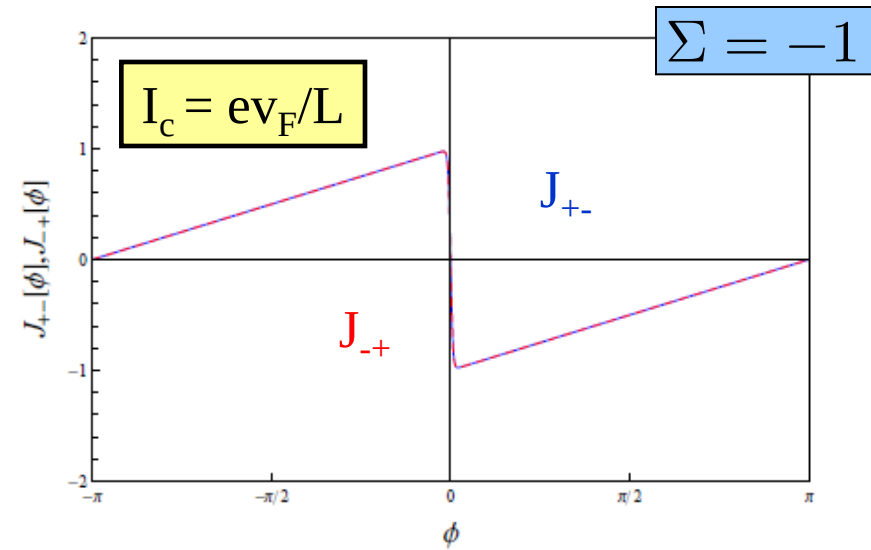
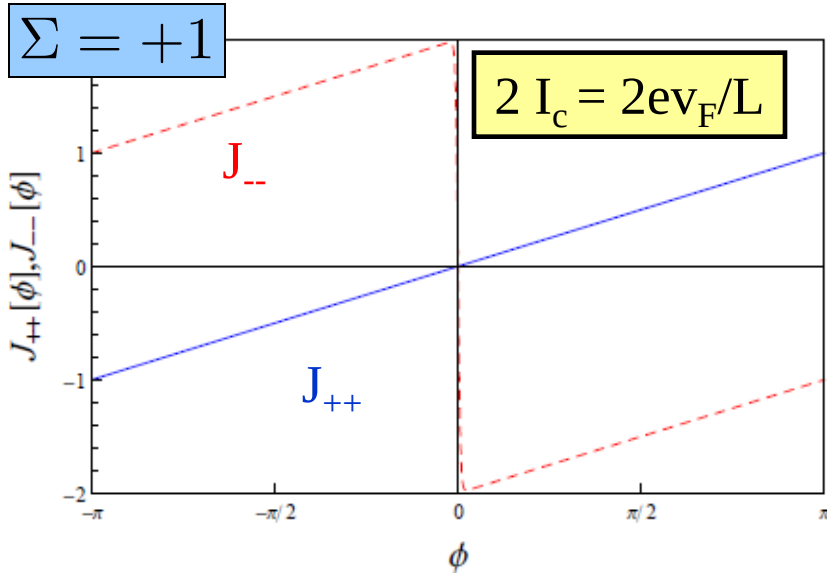
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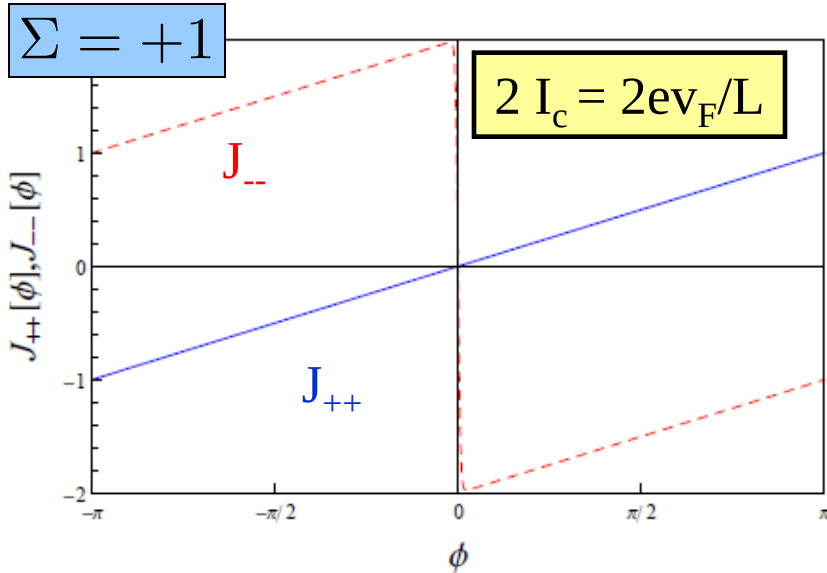
Josephson current 2

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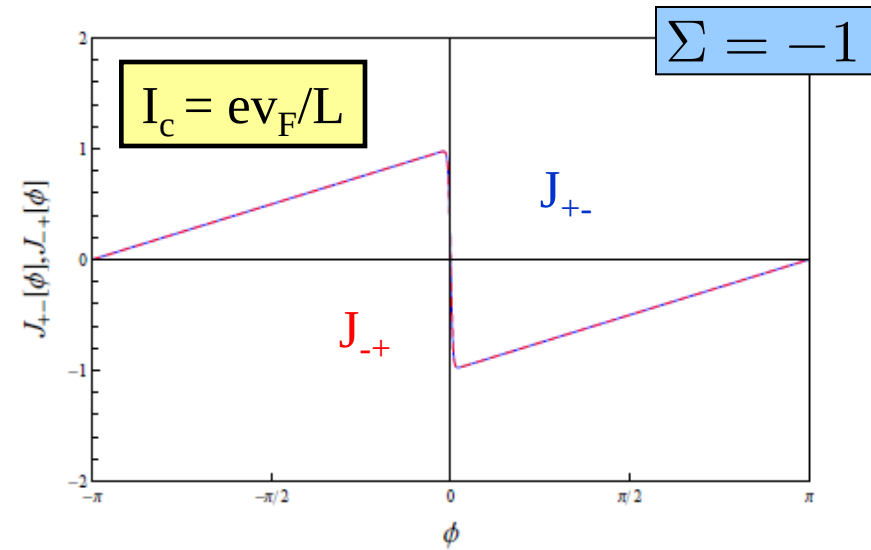


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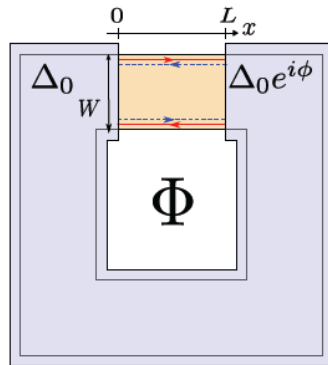
4pi-periodic



2pi-periodic



Influence of Coulomb interactions



$$H_{\text{int}} = g_2 \int_0^L dx : \rho_{R,\uparrow}(x) \rho_{L,\downarrow}(x) :$$

$$H_{\text{up}} = \frac{v_N \pi}{2L} \left(\hat{N}_R - \frac{\phi}{2\pi} \right)^2 + v_S \sum_{q>0} q B_{R,q}^\dagger B_{R,q}$$

$$v_N = v_F \left(1 - \frac{g_2}{2\pi v_F} \right)$$

-> rescaling of the critical current $I_c = ev_N/L$



Take home messages

- Critical current:

$$\begin{array}{l} 2I_c \text{ even case} \\ I_c \text{ odd case} \end{array} \quad \text{with } I_c = \frac{ev_F}{L}$$

- Phase dependence:

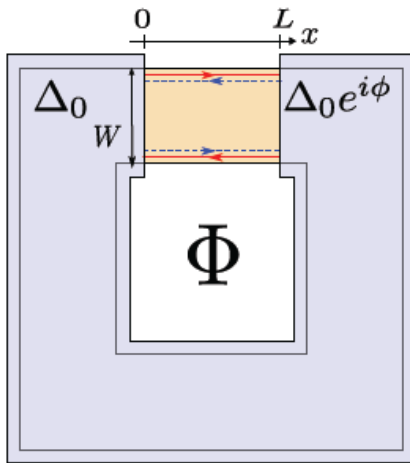
$$\begin{array}{l} J[\phi] = J[\phi + 4\pi] \text{ even case} \\ J[\phi] = J[\phi + 2\pi] \text{ odd case} \end{array}$$

-> parity detector

- Phase dependence could be modified by **disorder**



Summary Lecture 3



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total fermion parity:

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