



# 超伝導体におけるマヨラナ粒子 ~実現と検出への展望~

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# Majorana fermions in superconductors : Introduction

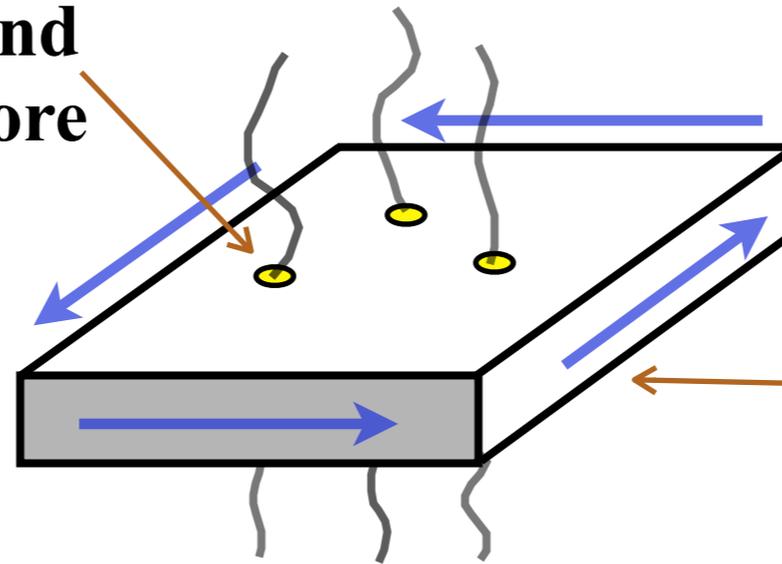
**Majorana fermion** : *particle = anti-particle !*

$$\gamma^\dagger = \gamma$$



**Ettore Majorana**  
c.f. neutrino ?

zero-energy bound  
state in vortex core



gapless edge mode  
on surfaces

**Majorana fermion in SC: equal-weight superposition of electron and hole**

Bogoliubov quasiparticle  $\gamma^\dagger = \int d\mathbf{r} [u_E(\mathbf{r})c^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) + v_E(\mathbf{r})c(\mathbf{r})]$

## Spinless p+ip SC

Bogoliubov quasiparticle  $\gamma^\dagger = \int d\mathbf{r} [u_E(\mathbf{r})c^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) + v_E(\mathbf{r})c(\mathbf{r})]$

Because of p-h symmetry of BCS Hamiltonian

$$\Gamma \hat{\mathcal{H}} \Gamma^{-1} = -\hat{\mathcal{H}}^* \quad \Gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{N.B.} \quad \Gamma^2 = 1$$

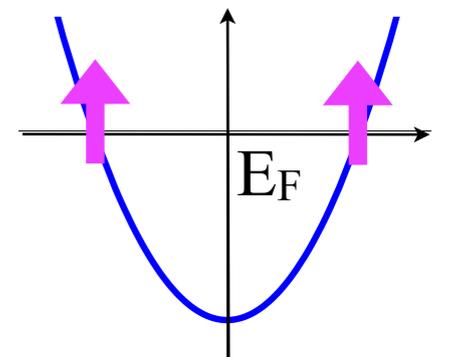
if  $\hat{\mathcal{H}}\phi = E\phi$  then  $\hat{\mathcal{H}}\Gamma\phi^* = -E\Gamma\phi^*$   $\phi^T = (u, v)$

→ If there is only one independent zero energy solution of BdG eq.

$$\phi = \Gamma\phi^* \rightarrow u_0^* = v_0 \rightarrow \gamma^\dagger = \gamma$$

**Non-degenerate zero energy Bogoliubov quasiparticle is Majorana !!  
equal-weight superposition of electron and hole !!**

This argument also applies to spin-triplet SC,  
spin-singlet with SO int. etc. (class D, DIII, BDI)



# How about the case that zero-energy modes are degenerate ?

class C, CI, (spin-singlet SC)

SU(2) spin symmetry implies two degenerate zero-energy states, if they exist

$$\gamma_1 = \int dr [u_\uparrow(r)c_\uparrow(r) - v_\downarrow(r)c_\downarrow^\dagger(r)]$$



$$\phi_1^T = (u_\uparrow, 0, 0, -v_\downarrow)$$



p-h conjugate

$$(\Gamma\phi_1)^{*T} = (0, iv_\downarrow^*, -iu_\uparrow^*, 0)$$

$$\gamma_2 = \int dr [u_\downarrow(r)c_\downarrow(r) + v_\uparrow(r)c_\uparrow^\dagger(r)]$$



$$\phi_2^T = (0, u_\downarrow, v_\uparrow, 0)$$



p-h conjugate

$$(\Gamma\phi_2)^{*T} = (-iv_\uparrow^*, 0, 0, -iu_\downarrow^*)$$

$$(\phi^T = (u_\uparrow, u_\downarrow, v_\uparrow, -v_\downarrow))$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}\phi = E\phi$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}(\Gamma\phi)^* = -E(\Gamma\phi)^*$$

$$\Gamma = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1_{2 \times 2} \\ 1_{2 \times 2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{N.B.} \quad \Gamma^2 = -1$$

If there are only two zero-energy modes,

$$\rightarrow \phi_1 = (\Gamma\phi_2)^* \quad \phi_2 = (\Gamma\phi_1)^*$$

$$\rightarrow u_\uparrow = -iv_\uparrow^* \quad \gamma_1^\dagger = i\gamma_2$$

$$u_\downarrow = iv_\downarrow^* \quad \gamma_2^\dagger = i\gamma_1$$

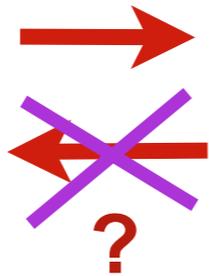
$$\tilde{\gamma}_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_1 + i\gamma_2) \quad \tilde{\gamma}_2 = \frac{1}{2i}(\gamma_1 - i\gamma_2) \quad \rightarrow \quad \tilde{\gamma}_1^\dagger = \tilde{\gamma}_1 \quad \tilde{\gamma}_2^\dagger = \tilde{\gamma}_2$$

**Majorana !!**

**equal-weight superposition of electron and hole !!**

$$\gamma^\dagger = \int d\mathbf{r} [u_E(\mathbf{r})c^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) + v_E(\mathbf{r})c(\mathbf{r})]$$

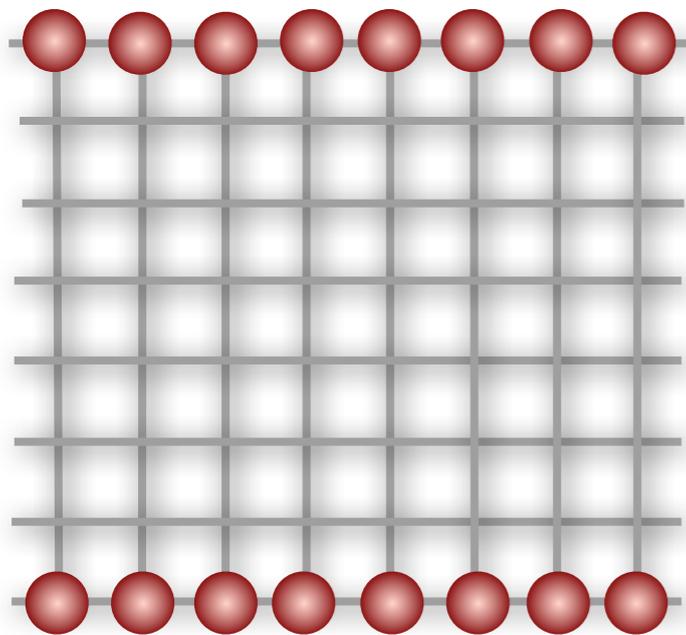
zero-energy  
Bogoliubov  
quasiparticle in SC



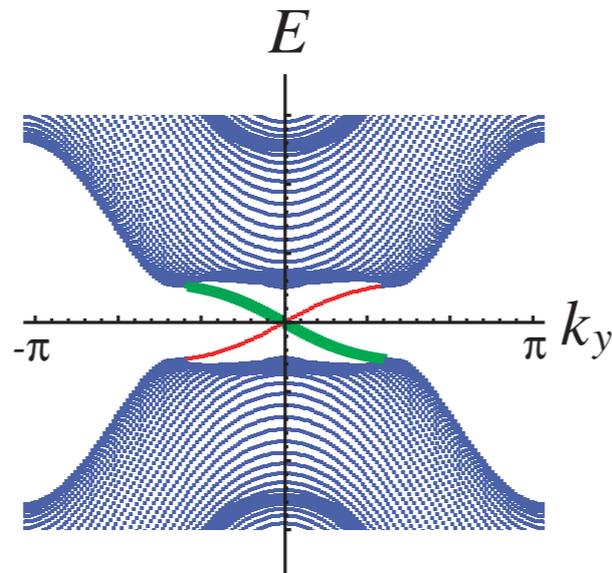
equal-weight superposition  
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$$|u| = |v|$$

*Majorana edge state*



2D top. SC



Majorana fermions with  
nonzero energy satisfy

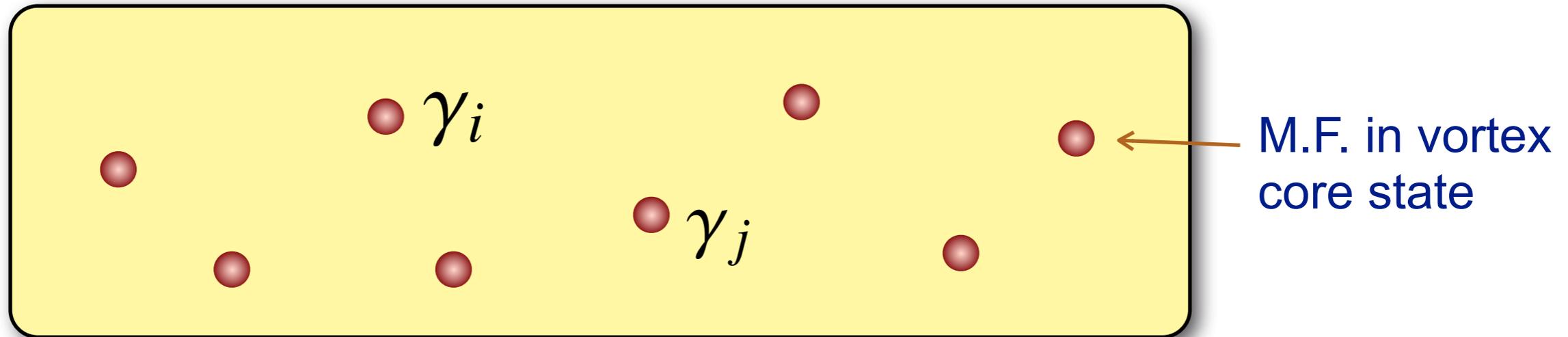
$$|u| = |v|$$

*Majorana condition  
for nonzero energy states*

$$\gamma_k^\dagger = \gamma_{-k}$$

*Bogoliubov q.p. with  $|u| = |v|$  is Majorana*

# Anti-commutation relation of Majorana fields holds



$$\gamma_i^2 = 1,$$

$$\gamma_i \gamma_j = -\gamma_j \gamma_i \quad \text{for } i \neq j.$$

**follow from**

$$\gamma_i = \sqrt{2} \sum_{\sigma} \int d\mathbf{r} [u_{i\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) + u_{i\sigma}^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r})]$$

$$\{\psi(\mathbf{r}), \psi(\mathbf{r}')\} = 0 \quad \{\psi(\mathbf{r}), \psi^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}')\} = \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

# Topology and Majorana Fermion

(Schnyder, Ryu, Furusaki, Ludwig; Kitaev; Teo, Kane)

$\Theta$  TRS

$\Xi$  PHS

vortex of 2D top. SC

edge of 2D top. SC

odd parity

even parity

Symmetry			$\delta = d - D$			
AZ	$\Theta^2$	$\Xi^2$	0	1	2	3
BDI	1	1	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0
D	0	1	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0
DIII	-1	1	0	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$
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C	0	-1	0	0	$2\mathbb{Z}$	0
CI	1	-1	0	0	0	$2\mathbb{Z}$

vortex of even-parity top. SC

vortex of 3D trivial (or weak top.) SC  
(e.g. URu<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub> ?)

*odd-parity top. SCs may be advantageous for realizing and detecting topologically protected Majorana fermions.*

	d=1	d=2	d=3
D=0			
D=1			

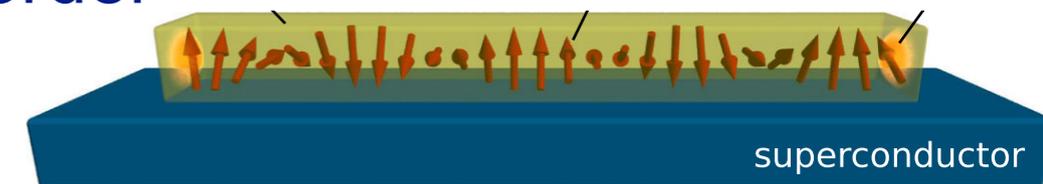
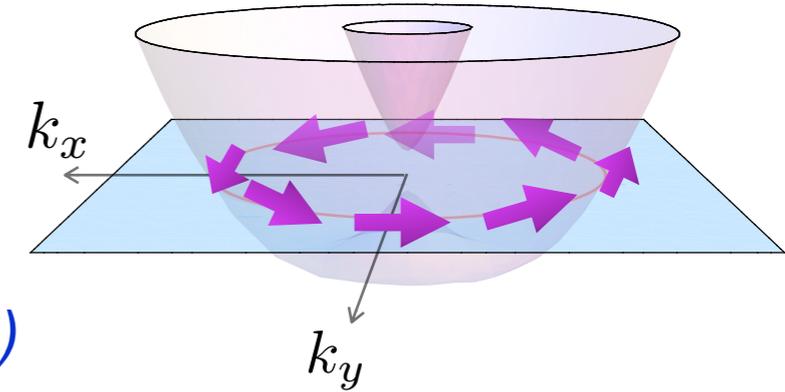
crystalline symmetry (mirror, mirror + TRS, etc.) provides topological protection of M.F. **even for trivial classes above**

(Fang, Gilbert, Bernevig; Shiozaki, Sato)

# Possible realization

## 2D class D with broken TRS

- $\text{Sr}_2\text{RuO}_4$  (Maeno et al.)
- spin-singlet SC with strong spin-orbit interaction and Zeeman fields  
(Sato, Takahashi, S.F.; Sau et al.; Alicea; Luchyn et al.; Oreg et al.)
- Proximity-induced SC on surface of top. insulator (L. Fu, C. L. Kane)  
(TRS must be broken by magnetic fields)
- spin-singlet SC coupled with spiral magnetic order  
(Braunecker, Simon; Klinovaja et al.; Vazifeh, Franz; Nakosai, Tanaka, Nagaosa)



## class DIII with TRS

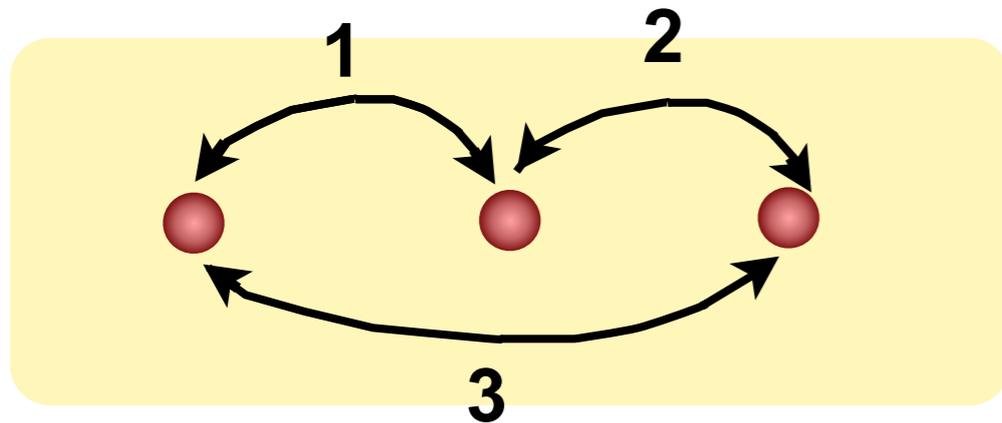
- Helium 3, B phase
- $\text{Cu}_x\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3$  (Fu, Berg; Sasaki et al.)

***Why interesting***  
***~ Exotic phenomena***  
***and possible detection scheme ~***

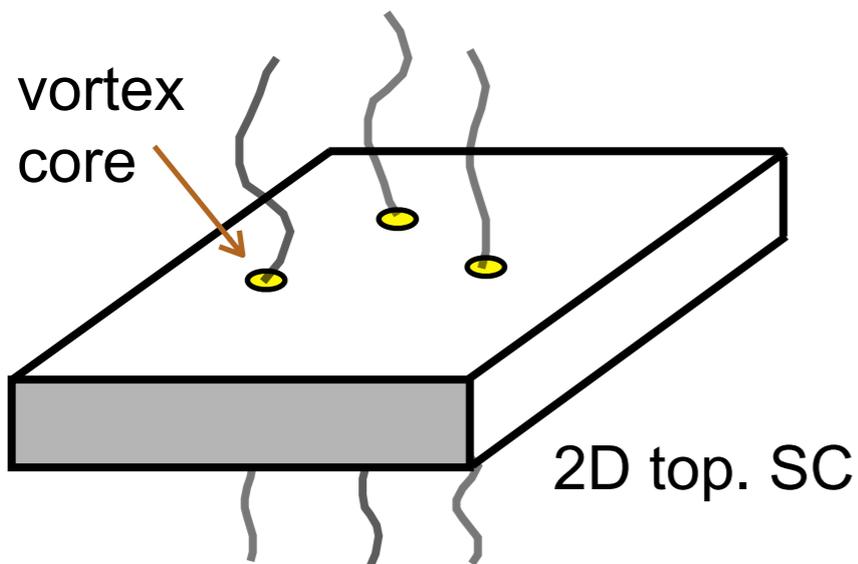
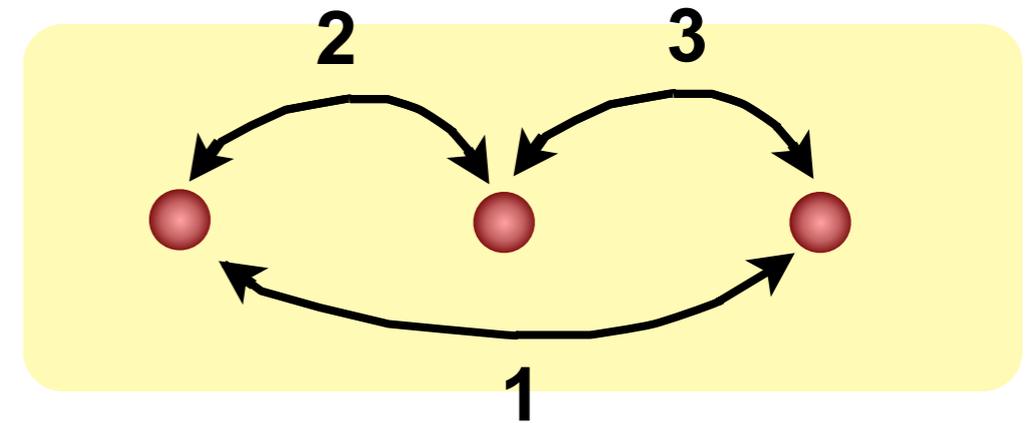
***Non-Abelian Statistics***

# Non-Abelian statistics

exchange (braiding) of particles is non-commutative !!

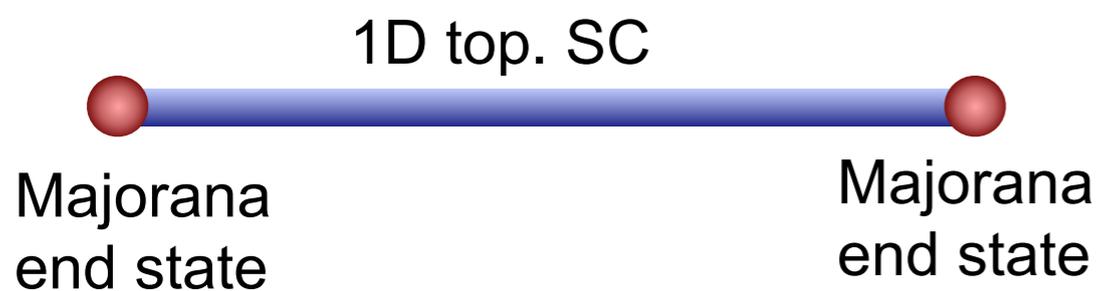


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- Originally proposed for vortex core states  
*(Read-Moore, Read-Green, Ivanov)*

- Edge states *without vortices* also obey non-Abelian statistics



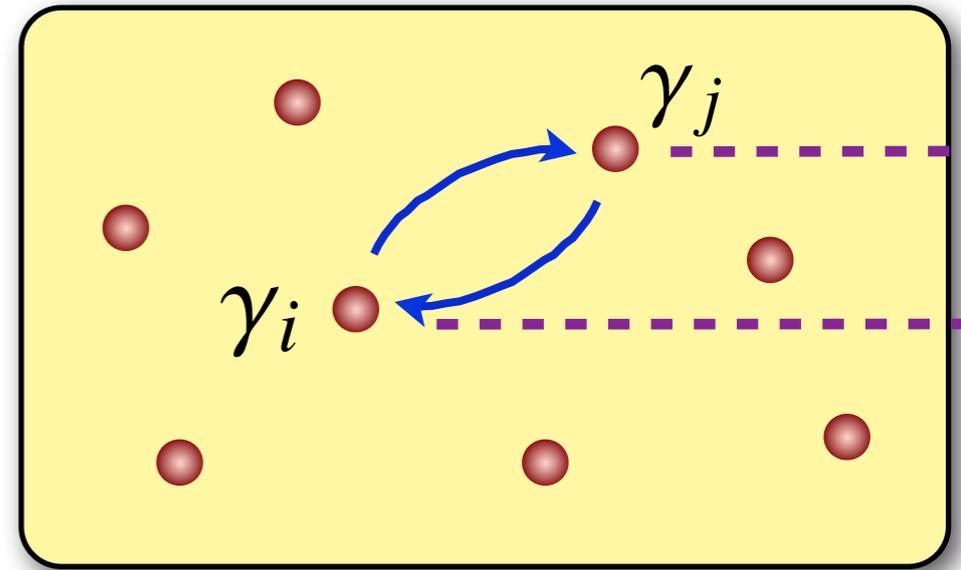
**General properties of Majorana zero-energy state in topological SC.**

# Exchange (braiding) operation of Majorana zero modes

$$\gamma_i \rightarrow \gamma_j, \quad \gamma_j \rightarrow -\gamma_i$$

Sign change is **not** due to vortex, but  
due to **Fermion-parity conservation !!**

(Clarke, Sau, Tewari; Halperin et al.)



$U_{12}$  : unitary operation for braiding of  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$

$$s_2 \gamma_2 = U_{12} \gamma_1 U_{12}^\dagger \quad s_1 \gamma_1 = U_{12} \gamma_2 U_{12}^\dagger$$

(G.S. is separated from excited states by finite energy gap)

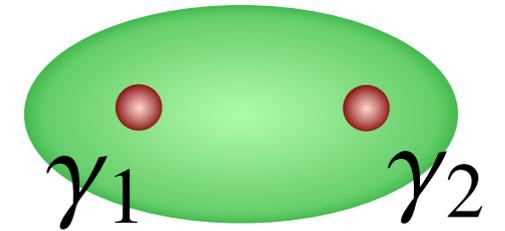
$s_1$   $s_2$  : phase factor

From  $s_1^2 \gamma_1^2 = s_2^2 \gamma_2^2 = 1$  and  $\gamma_1^2 = 1$   
 $\gamma_2^2 = 1$   $\rightarrow$   $s_1 = \pm 1$   $s_2 = \pm 1$

$$s_2 \gamma_2 = U_{12} \gamma_1 U_{12}^\dagger \quad s_1 \gamma_1 = U_{12} \gamma_2 U_{12}^\dagger \quad \begin{matrix} s_1 = \pm 1 \\ s_2 = \pm 1 \end{matrix}$$

**How the occupation number of complex fermion  $\psi_{12} = (\gamma_1 + i\gamma_2)/2$  is changed by braiding of Majorana zero modes ?**

$$n_{12} = \psi_{12}^\dagger \psi_{12} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + i\gamma_1\gamma_2).$$

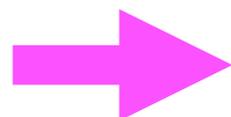


➔ 
$$U_{12} n_{12} U_{12}^\dagger = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2} U_{12} \gamma_1 \gamma_2 U_{12}^\dagger = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{i}{2} s_1 s_2 \gamma_1 \gamma_2.$$

**If  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  are sufficiently far from other Majorana fermions, Fermion-parity of  $n_{12}$  is not changed by  $U_{12}$**



$$s_1 s_2 = -1$$

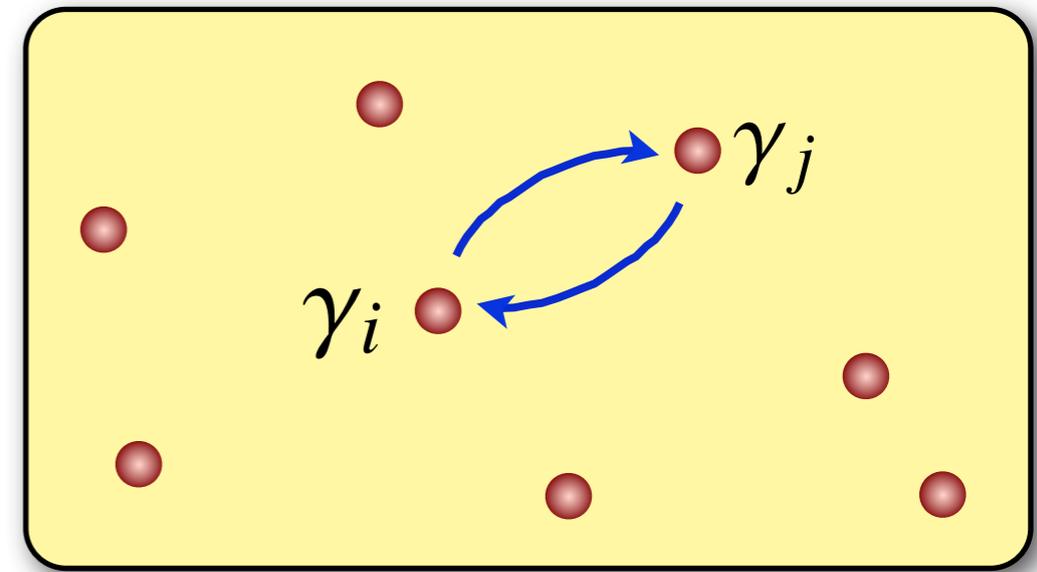


$$\gamma_1 \rightarrow \gamma_2, \quad \gamma_2 \rightarrow -\gamma_1$$

***non-Abelian statistics even without vortices***

## Braiding rule of Majorana zero modes :

$$\gamma_i \rightarrow \gamma_j, \quad \gamma_j \rightarrow -\gamma_i$$



## Exchange (braiding) operator

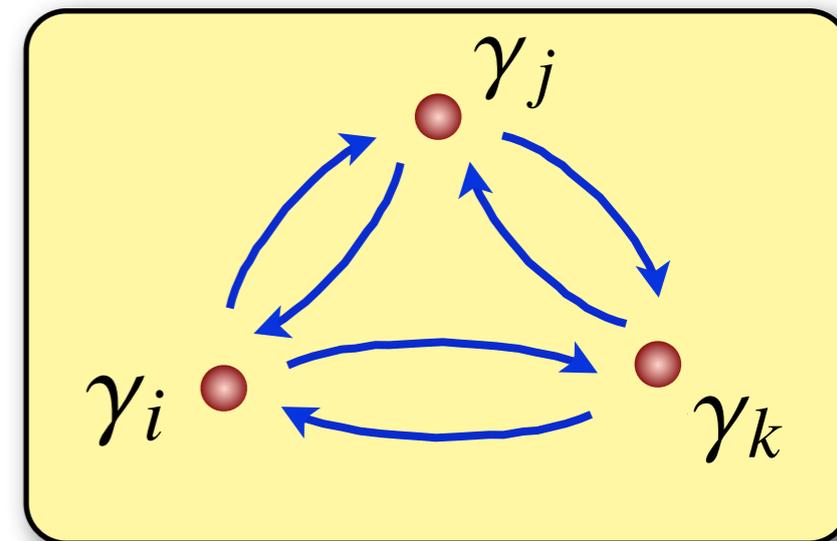
$$U_{ij} = \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\gamma_i\gamma_j\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 - \gamma_i\gamma_j)$$

$$U_{ij}\gamma_i U_{ij}^\dagger = \gamma_j \quad U_{ij}\gamma_j U_{ij}^\dagger = -\gamma_i$$

## Non-commutativity of exchange (braiding) operation

$$U_{ij}U_{jk} - U_{jk}U_{ij} = -\gamma_i\gamma_k = i(2n_{ik} - 1) \neq 0$$

**Non-Abelian character !**

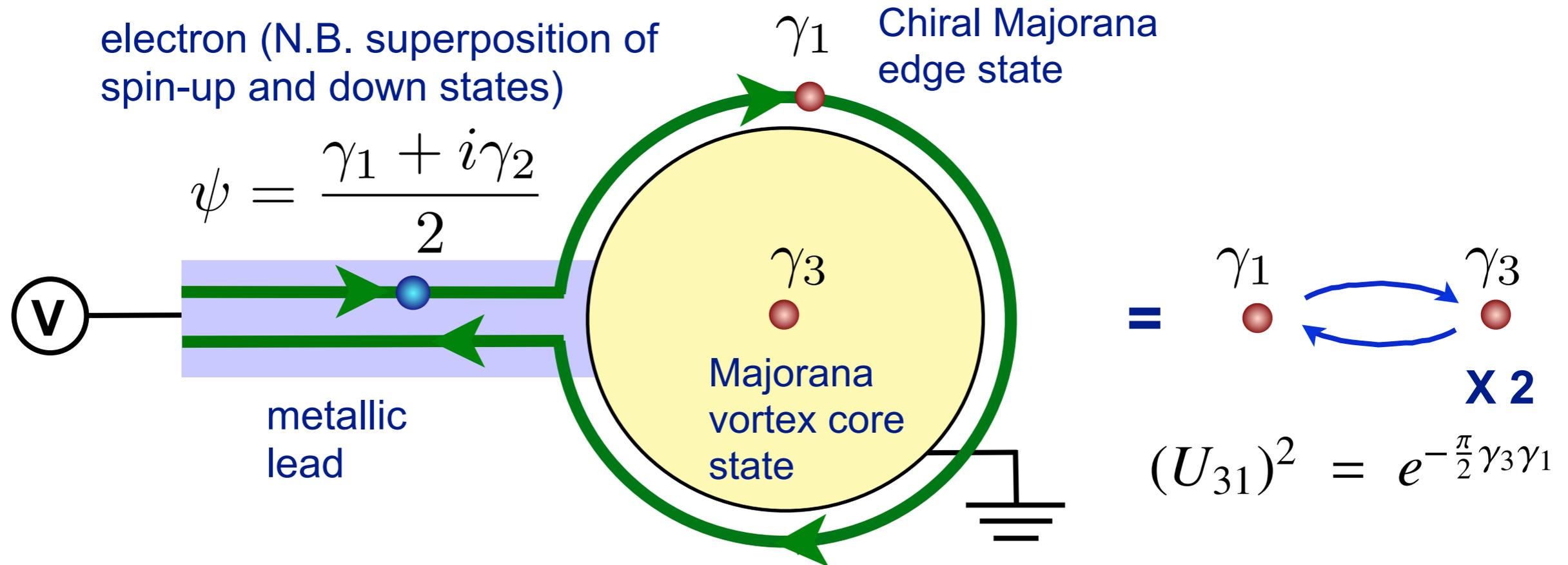


# How to detect Non-Abelian statistics ? (2D class D top. SC)

## Interferometer experiment I

*one-lead conductance measurement*

(Law, Lee, Ng;  
Li, Fleury, Buttiker)

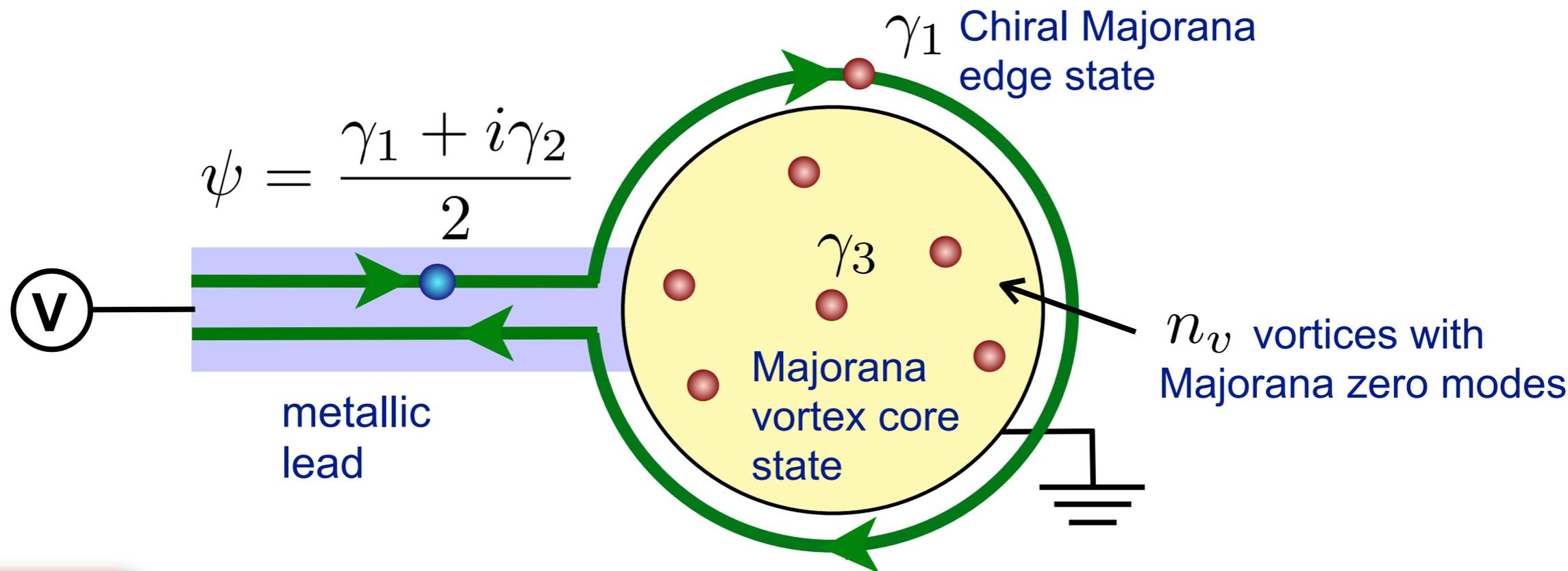


State vector of injected electron (hole) :  $|n_{12}\rangle$        $n_{12} = \psi^\dagger \psi$

$\gamma_1$  travels around  $\gamma_3$  and returns to original position

$$(U_{31})^2 |1\rangle = |0\rangle, \quad (U_{31})^2 |0\rangle = -|1\rangle$$

**Injected electron (hole) is perfectly converted to hole (electron) !!**



$n_v$  : odd **injected electron (hole) is perfectly converted to hole (electron) !! (perfect Andreev reflection)**

$$|1\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle \qquad |0\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$$

**Current :**  $I = \frac{2e}{h} \int_0^{eV} dE |s^{he}|^2$

**Conductance :**  $G = 2 \frac{e^2}{h}$  **irrespective of coupling between lead and SC**

$n_v$  : even **Conductance :  $G = 0$  (no Majorana edge state)**

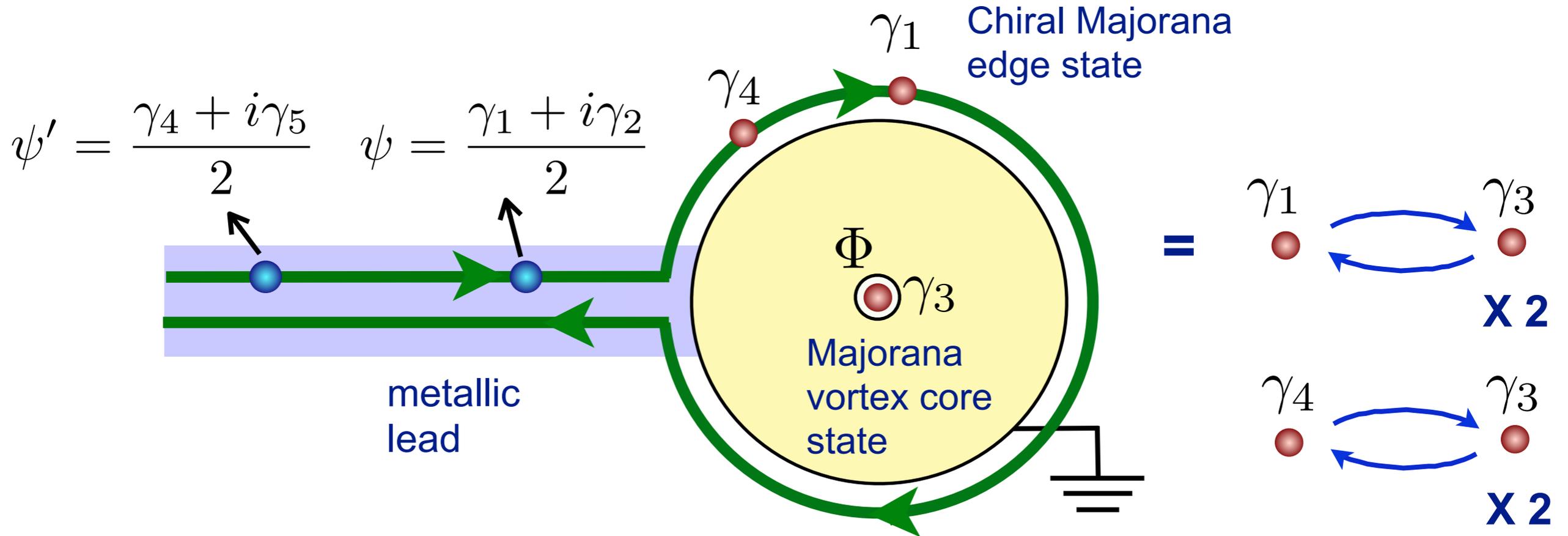
**However, for realistic systems with multiple channels in the lead, electrons not coupled to chiral Majorana mode lead to non-quantized conductance**

# How to detect Non-Abelian statistics ?

## Interferometer experiment II

*vanishing of AB effect and AC effect*

(Grosfeld, Stern; Stern, Halperin; Bonderson, Kitaev, Shtengel)

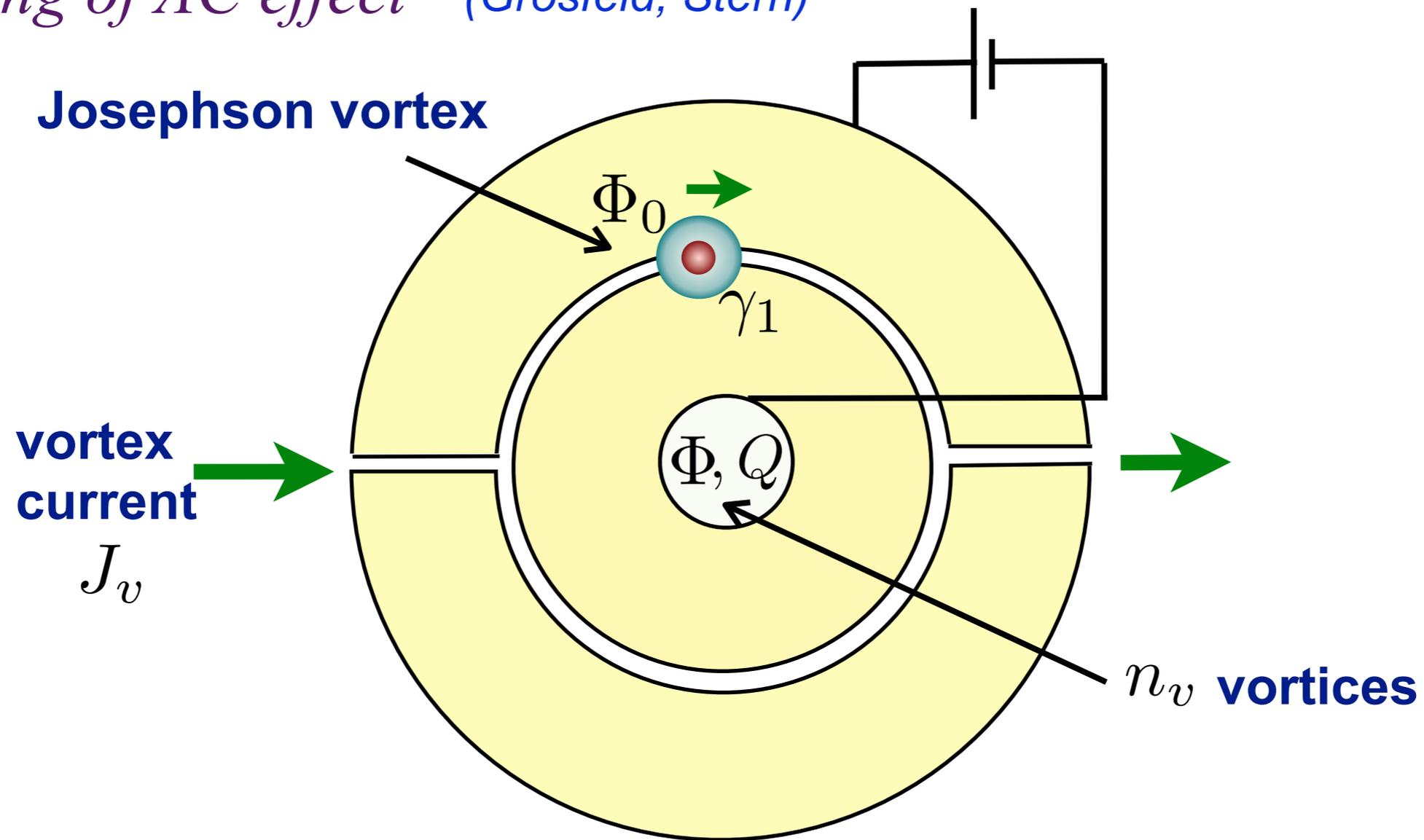


$$(U_{31})^2 = \gamma_1 \gamma_3 \quad \text{and} \quad (U_{43})^2 = \gamma_3 \gamma_4 \quad \text{do not commute}$$

→ **dephasing of interference**

→ **vanishing of AB effect  
(but experimental detection is not clear)**

*vanishing of AC effect* (Grosfeld, Stern)



$n_v$  : even

There is no M.F. in the center hole  
conventional AC effect :

$$J_v \sim J_{v0} + J_{v1} \cos \left( 2\pi \frac{Q}{2e} \right)$$

$n_v$  : odd

M.F. in the center hole

**AC effect disappears !!**

$$J_v \sim J_{v0}$$

***Non-local correlation and  
“teleportation”***

# Splitting electrons into two M.F. and non-local correlation

$$\psi = \frac{\gamma_1 + i\gamma_2}{2} \text{ electron}$$

*non-local correlation ?*

*(Bolech, Demler; Tewari et al.; Semenoff; Nilsson, Akhmerov, Beenakker)*

## 1D top. SC



**Mode expansion of electron field :**

$$\psi_\sigma(x) = \sum_{i=1,2} u_{\sigma i}(x) \gamma_i + (\text{non-zero energy modes})$$

**correlation function of electrons :**

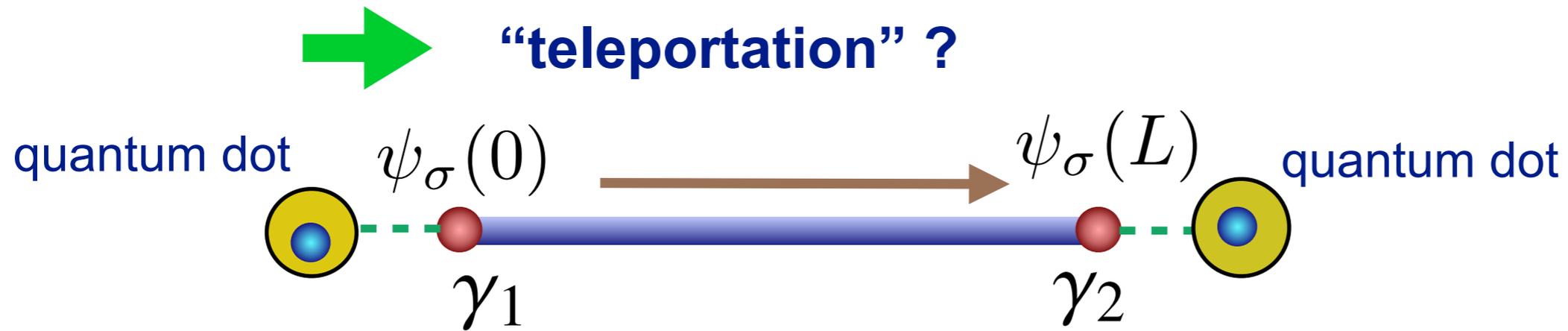
$$\langle \psi_\sigma(x) \psi_\sigma^\dagger(y) \rangle \sim u_{\sigma 1}(x) u_{\sigma 2}^*(y) \underbrace{\langle \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \rangle}_{\pm 1}$$

$x \sim 0$   
 $y \sim L$

**non-zero even for  $|x - y| \rightarrow \infty$       *non-local correlation !!***

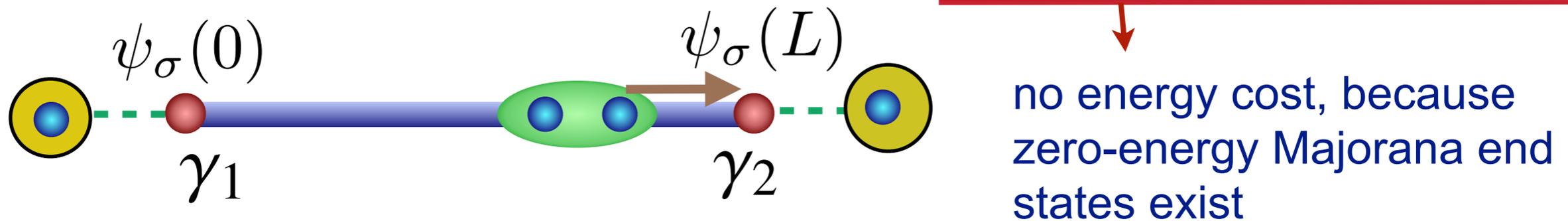
**non-local correlation independent of distance !!**

$$\langle \psi_\sigma(x) \psi_\sigma^\dagger(y) \rangle \sim u_{\sigma 1}(x) u_{\sigma 2}^*(y) \langle \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \rangle \neq 0 \quad \text{for } |x - y| \rightarrow \infty$$

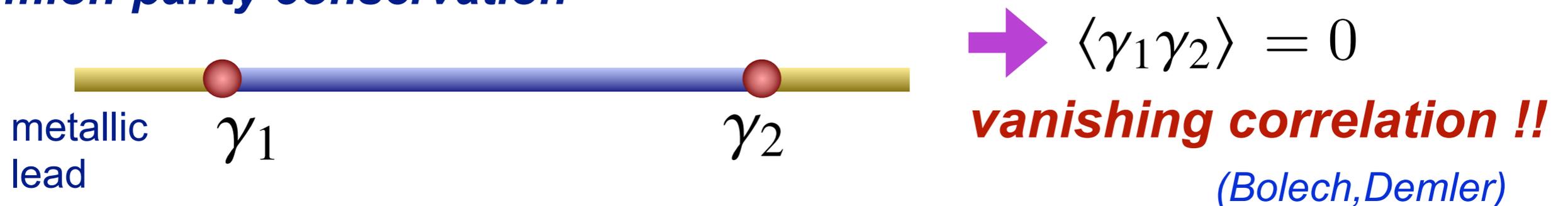


**However ! problems arise !**

**(i) An electron detected at  $x=L$  may come from breaking up a Cooper pair**



**(ii) Coupling with leads or dots to probe “teleportation” breaks Fermion-parity conservation**

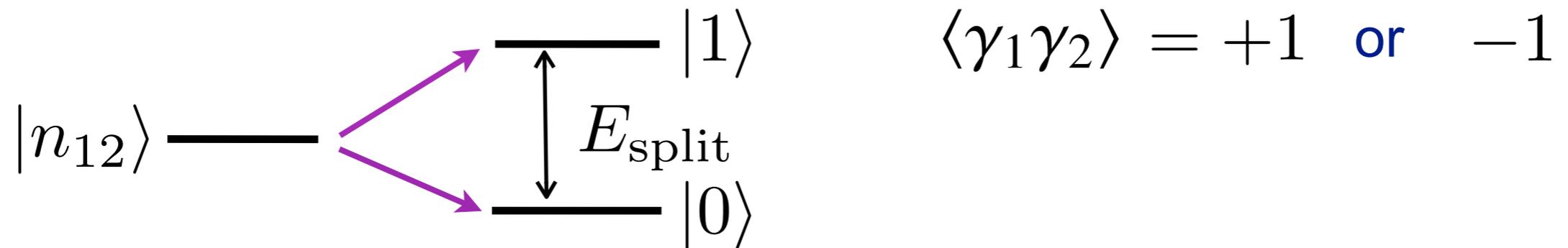


**(ii) Coupling with leads or dots to probe “teleportation” breaks Fermion-parity conservation**



$\rightarrow \langle \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \rangle = 0$   
**vanishing correlation !!**  
 (Bolech, Demler)

**However, situation changes, when Fermion-parity degeneracy is lifted by overlap of Majorana-zero-mode wave functions.**



**If  $E_{\text{split}}$  is larger than energy-scale of voltage applied on leads and  $T$**

$$\langle \psi_\sigma(x) \psi_\sigma^\dagger(y) \rangle \sim u_{\sigma 1}(x) u_{\sigma 2}^*(y) \langle \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \rangle \neq 0$$

**non-local correlation survives !!**

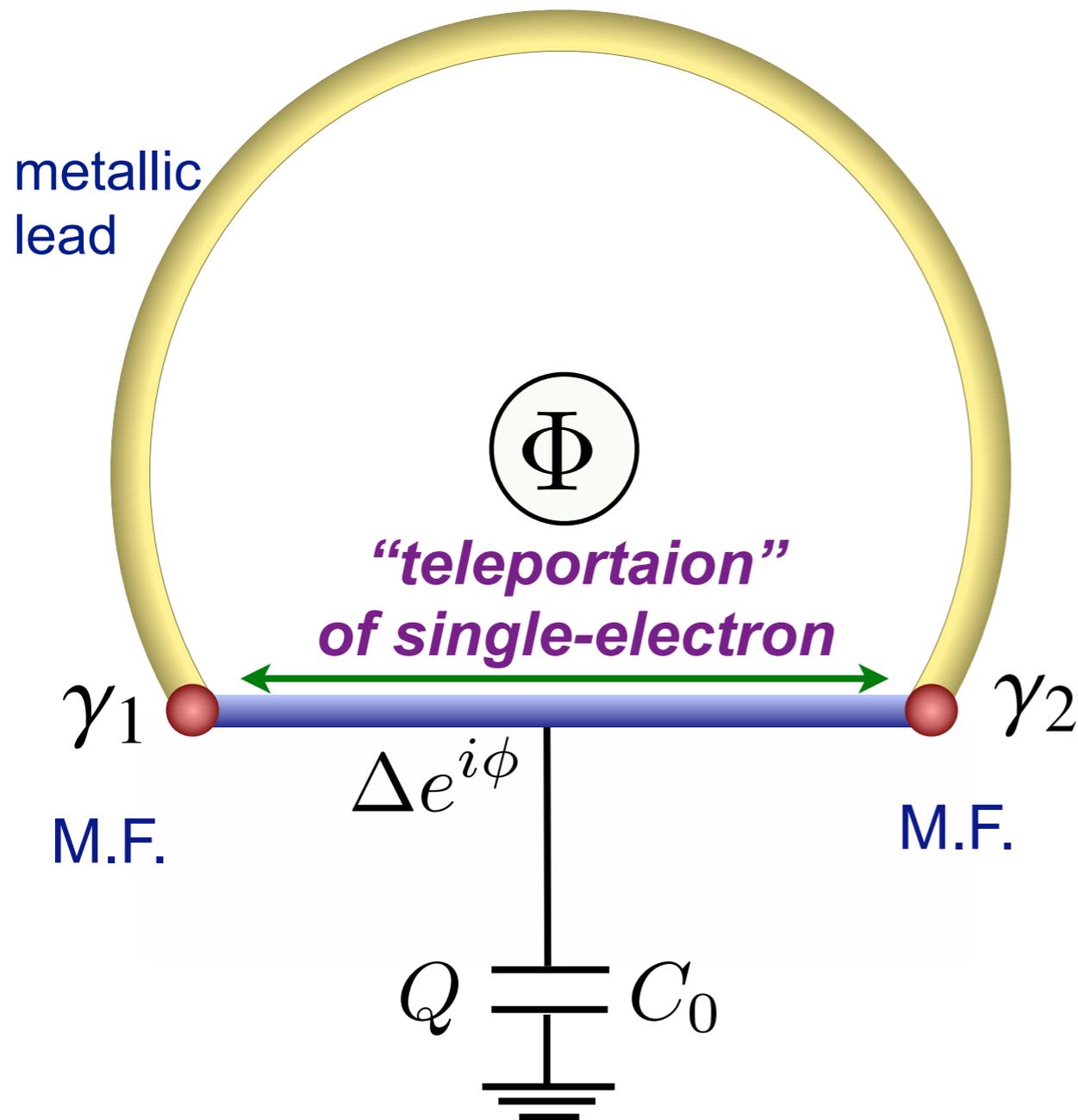
(Nilsson, Akhmerov, Beenakker)

Correlation does not depend on  $|x-y|$  explicitly, though overlap does

# Non-local correlation and “teleportation” in mesoscopic SC

## 1D top. SC

taking account of charging energy  $Q^2/(2C_0)$  (*Liang Fu*)  
and fluctuation of SC phase  $\phi$

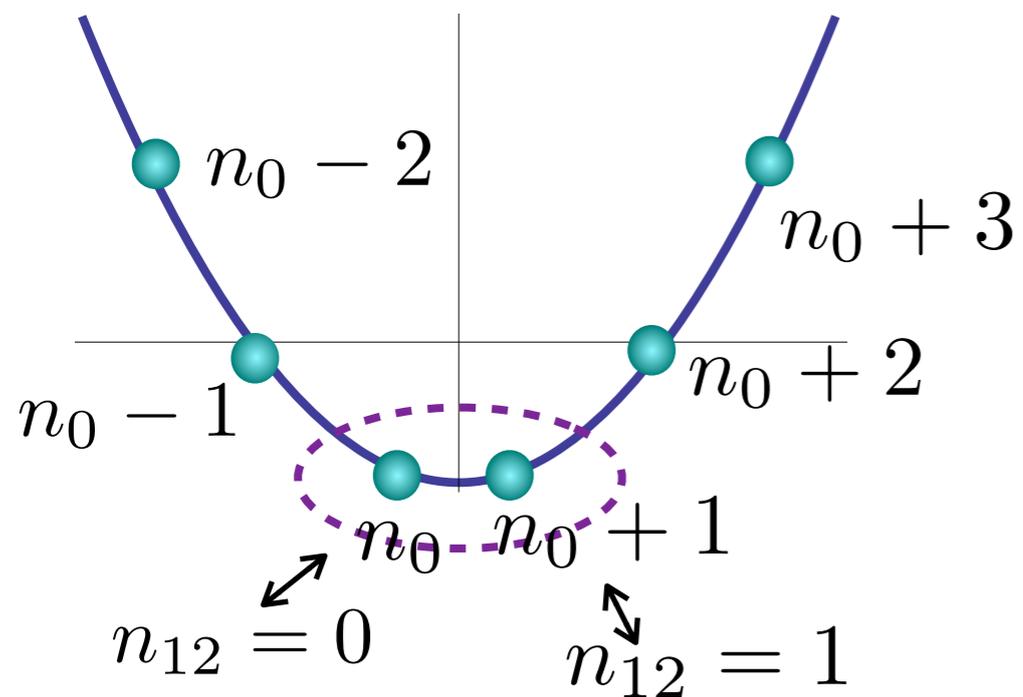


AB effect with period  $\frac{h}{e}$

(not  $\frac{h}{2e}$  !!)

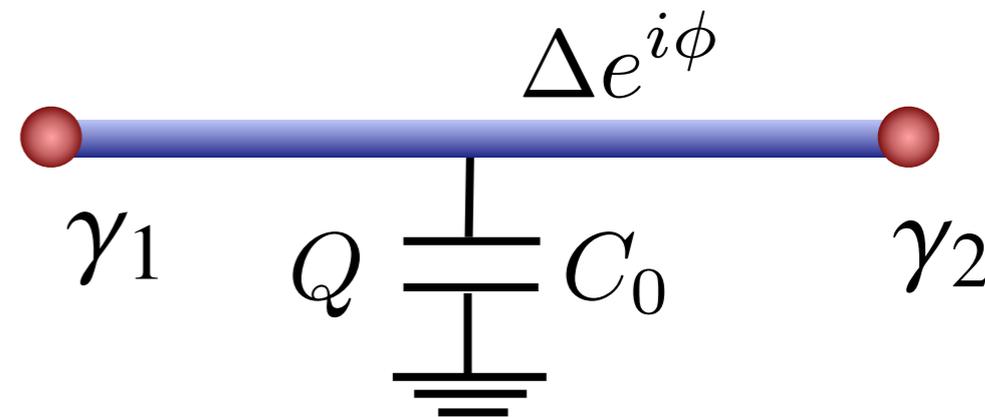
even for sufficiently large length of SC wire

charging energy :  $Q^2/(2C_0)$



truncating Hilbert space

$n_0$  : # of electrons in SC



Fermion-parity degeneracy :  $n_{12} = 0$ , or 1

$$n_{12} = \psi_{12}^\dagger \psi_{12} \quad \psi_{12} = (\gamma_1 + i\gamma_2)/2$$

$$[n_{12}, e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}}] = \pm e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}} \quad (\text{c.f. } [S^z, S^\pm] = \pm S^\pm)$$

$e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}}$  raising and lowering  $n_{12}$

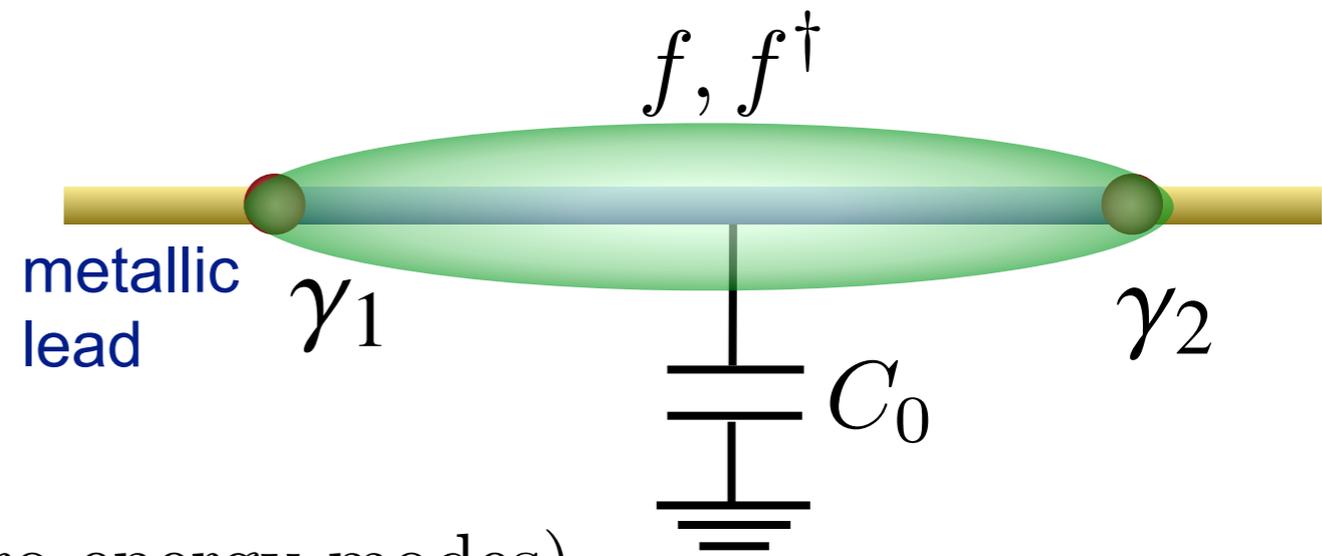
$$e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} |0\rangle = |1\rangle, \quad e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} |1\rangle = |0\rangle,$$

$$e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} |1\rangle = 0, \quad e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} |0\rangle = 0.$$

Furthermore,  $e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}}$  does not commute with Majorana fields  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$

$$[\gamma_1, e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}}] = \pm (-1)^{n_{12}} \quad [\gamma_2, e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}}] = -i(-1)^{n_{12}}$$

## Tunneling of electrons from leads into SC via M.F.



### Mode expansion of electron field :

$$\psi_\sigma(x) = \sum_{i=1,2} u_{\sigma i}(x) \gamma_i e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} + (\text{non-zero energy modes})$$

### Tunneling Hamiltonian at $x=0$ and $L$ :

$$H_T = \sum_{k,\sigma} [V_{k\sigma 1} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger \gamma_1 e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} + V_{k\sigma 2} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger \gamma_2 e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} + V_{k\sigma 1}^* \gamma_1 c_{k\sigma} e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} + V_{k\sigma 2}^* \gamma_2 c_{k\sigma} e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}}] \rightarrow \sum_{k,\sigma} \sqrt{2} [V_{k\sigma 1} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f - i(-1)^{n_{12}} V_{k\sigma 2} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f + V_{k\sigma 1}^* f^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + iV_{k\sigma 2}^* f^\dagger c_{k\sigma} (-1)^{n_{12}}].$$

We introduce an operator :

$$f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma_1 e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}}, \quad f^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \gamma_1$$

also, related to  $\gamma_2$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma_2 e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} = -i(-1)^{n_{12}} f, \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \gamma_2 = if^\dagger (-1)^{n_{12}}$$

**independent of distance !!**

$$f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma_1 e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}}, \quad f^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \gamma_1$$

**really conventional  
(complex) fermion or not ?**

$$f f^\dagger + f^\dagger f = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

**However**  $f^2 = 0, \quad (f^\dagger)^2 = 0$  **hold only under a certain condition**

**we need finite overlap between two M.F.**

$$e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} |0\rangle = |1\rangle, \quad e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} |1\rangle = |0\rangle,$$

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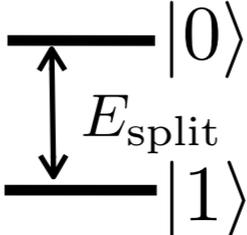
$$[\gamma_1, e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}}] = \pm (-1)^{n_{12}}$$

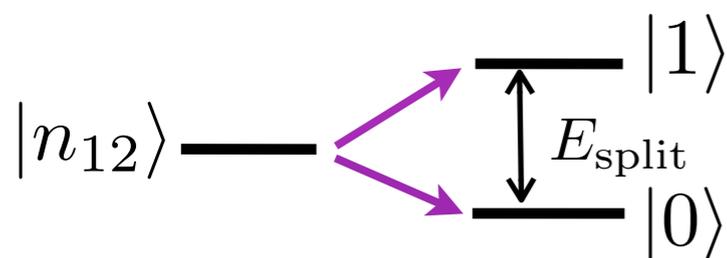
$$[\gamma_2, e^{\pm i\frac{\phi}{2}}] = -i(-1)^{n_{12}}$$

$$f^2 |0\rangle = 0, \quad (f^\dagger)^2 |0\rangle = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$f^2 |1\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |1\rangle, \quad (f^\dagger)^2 |1\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |1\rangle \quad \text{no}$$

**When degeneracy is lifted by overlap,  
 $f$  is fermion within the space of  $|0\rangle$**

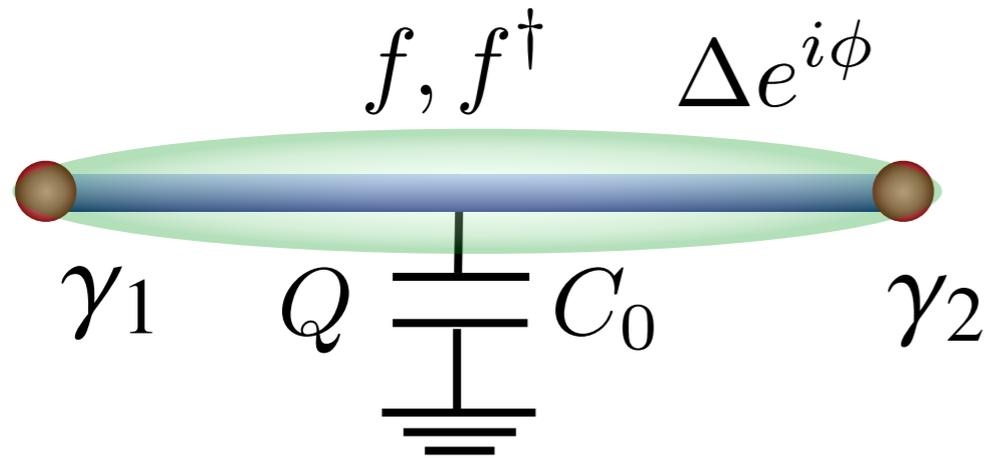
**If**  **, definition of  
is changed to**



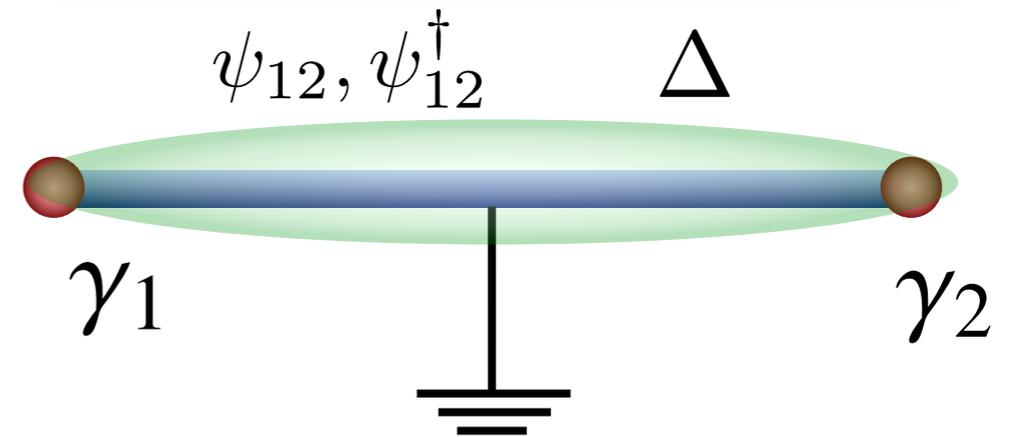
$$f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} \gamma_1$$

$$f^2 |1\rangle = 0, \quad (f^\dagger)^2 |1\rangle = 0$$

not grounded  
(with charging energy,  
phase fluctuation)



grounded  
(no charging energy,  
no phase fluctuation)



**Tunneling Hamiltonian :**

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_T &= \sum_{k,\sigma} \sum_{i=1,2} [V_{k\sigma i} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger \gamma_i e^{-i\phi/2} + h.c.] \\
 &= \sum_{k,\sigma} \sqrt{2} [V_{k\sigma 1} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f - i(-1)^{n_{12}} V_{k\sigma 2} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f \\
 &\quad + V_{k\sigma 1}^* f^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + iV_{k\sigma 2}^* f^\dagger c_{k\sigma} (-1)^{n_{12}}].
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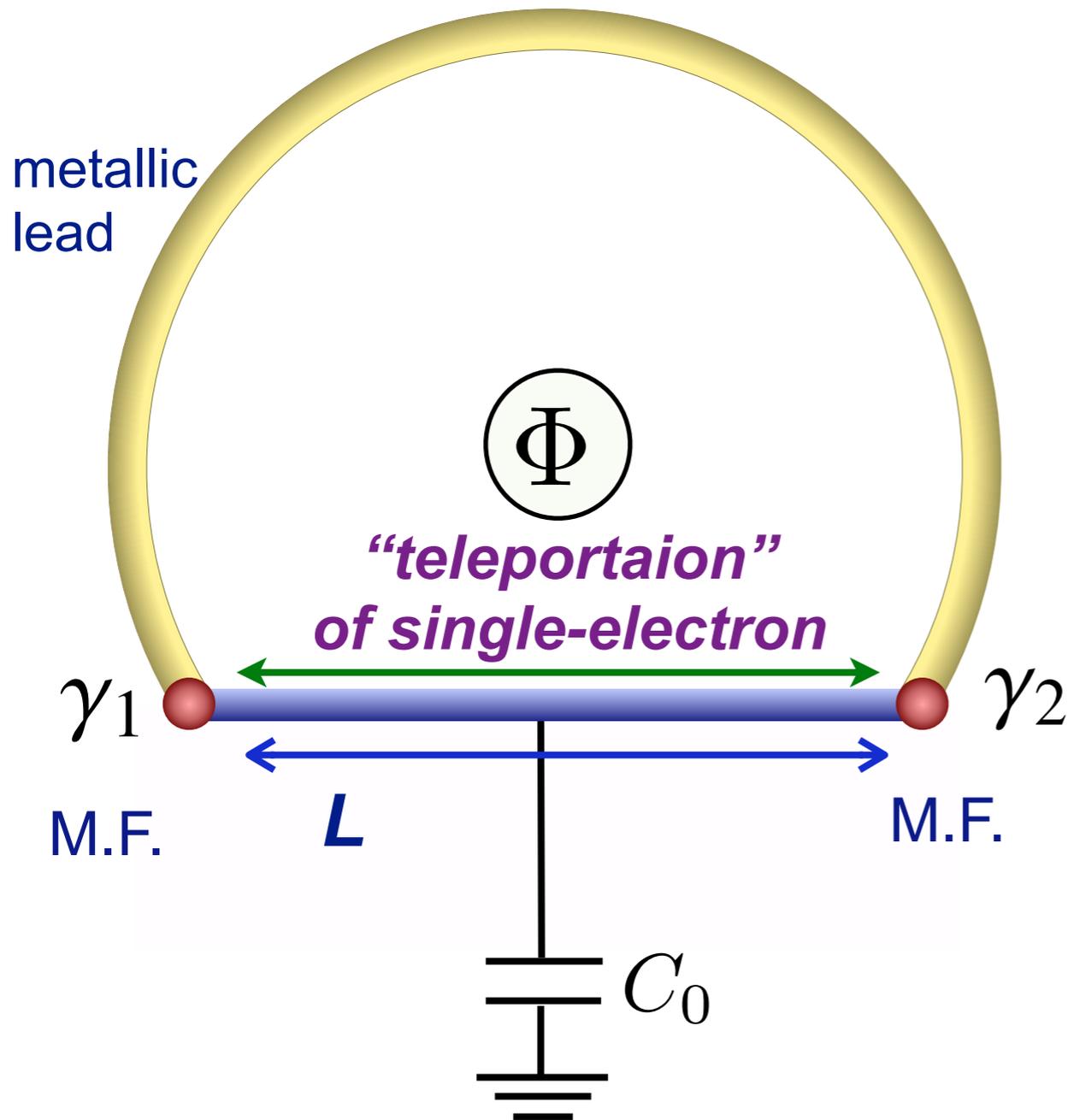
$$\psi_{12} = (\gamma_1 + i\gamma_2)/2$$

$$V_{k\sigma} = V_{k\sigma 1} - iV_{k\sigma 2}$$

**Andreev  
scattering**

# AB effect due to “teleportation” via Majorana fermions

$$H_T = \sum_{k,\sigma} \sqrt{2} [V_{k\sigma 1} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f - i(-1)^{n_{12}} V_{k\sigma 2} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f + h.c.]$$



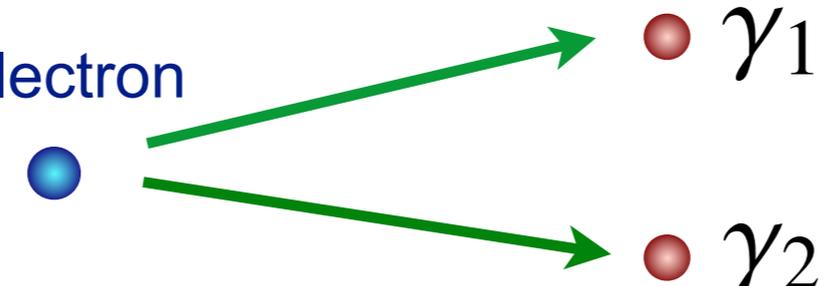
AB effect with period  $\frac{h}{e}$

(not  $\frac{h}{2e}$  !!)

even for sufficiently large length of SC wire

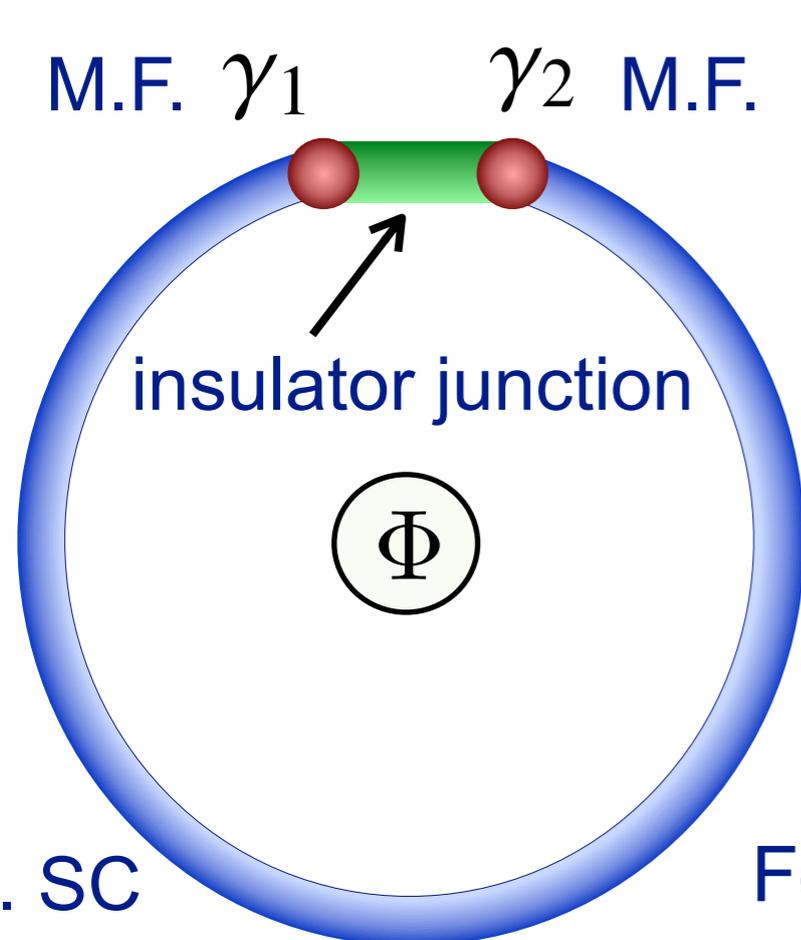
*Although level splitting is required, and it depends on the length  $L$  exponentially, non-local correlation does not depend on  $L$  explicitly !!*

***“Fractionalization” and  
4π-periodic Josephson effect***

$$\psi = \frac{\gamma_1 + i\gamma_2}{2} \text{electron}$$


“Fractionalization”  
Majorana fermions

**4π-periodic (fractional) Josephson effect :** Cooper pairs with 2e split into Cooper pairs with e  
(Kwon, Sengupta, Yakovenko; Kitaev)



Single-electron tunneling Hamiltonian :

$$H_{1t} = -te^{i\phi} \psi_{\sigma 1}^\dagger \psi_{\sigma 2} + h.c. \quad \phi = \frac{2e}{\hbar} \Phi$$

Mode expansion of electron fields:  $i = 1, 2$

$$\psi_{\sigma i} = u_{\sigma i}(x)\gamma_i + (\text{non-zero energy modes})$$

➡

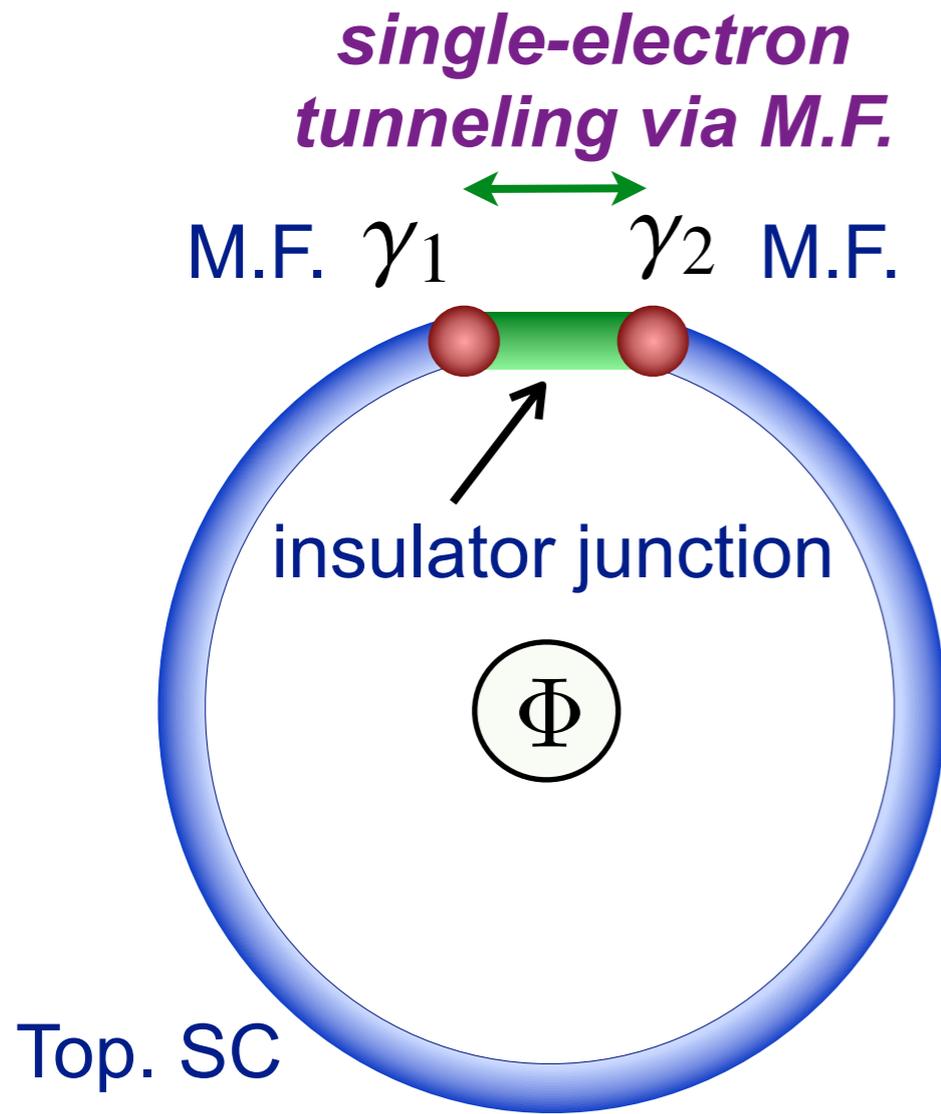
$$H_{1t} = J_M i\gamma_1 \gamma_2 \cos \frac{\phi}{2}$$

For parity-eigen state  $i\gamma_1 \gamma_2 = 1, \text{ or } -1$

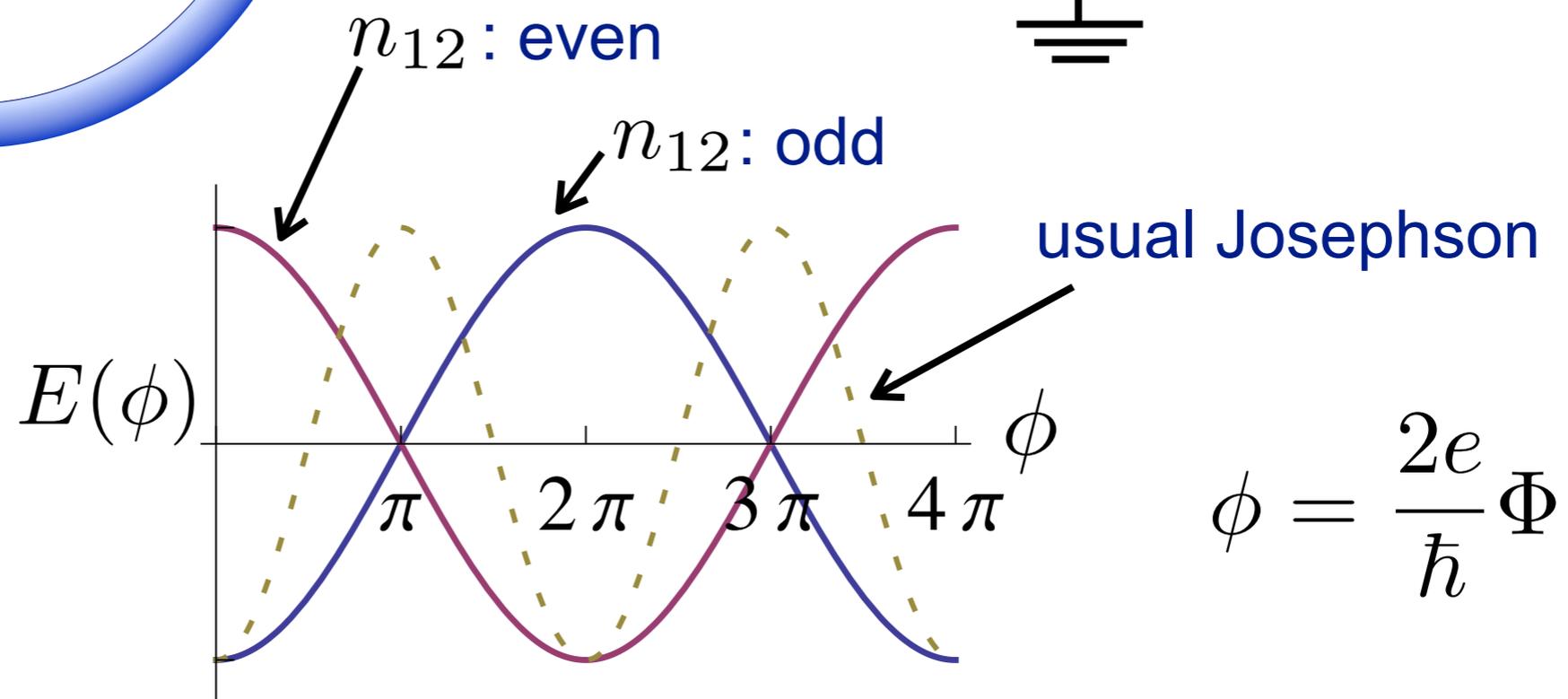
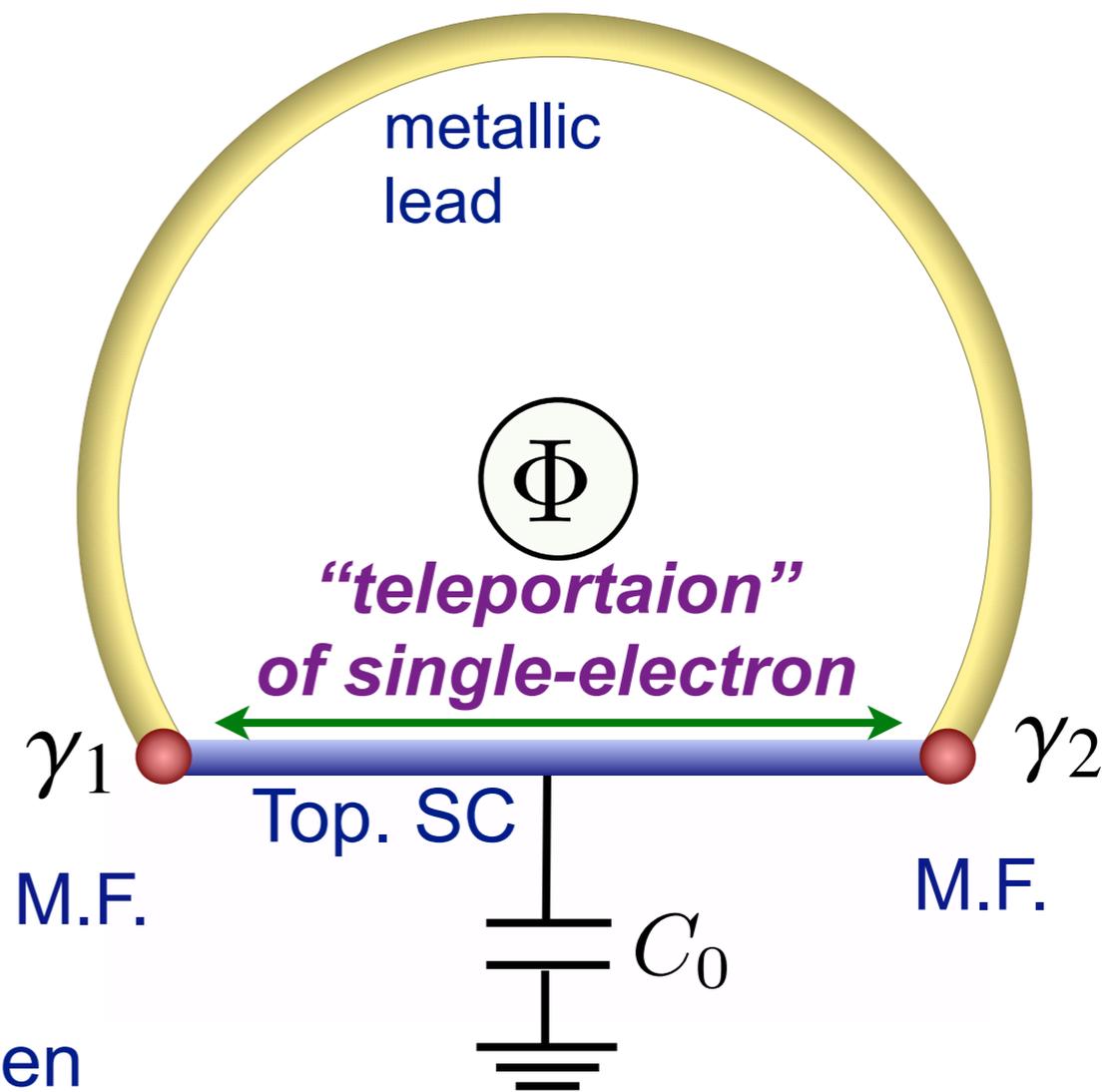
➡ **4π-periodic**

N.B. there is also usual Josephson tunneling with 2π-periodicity

**4π-periodic Josephson effect**

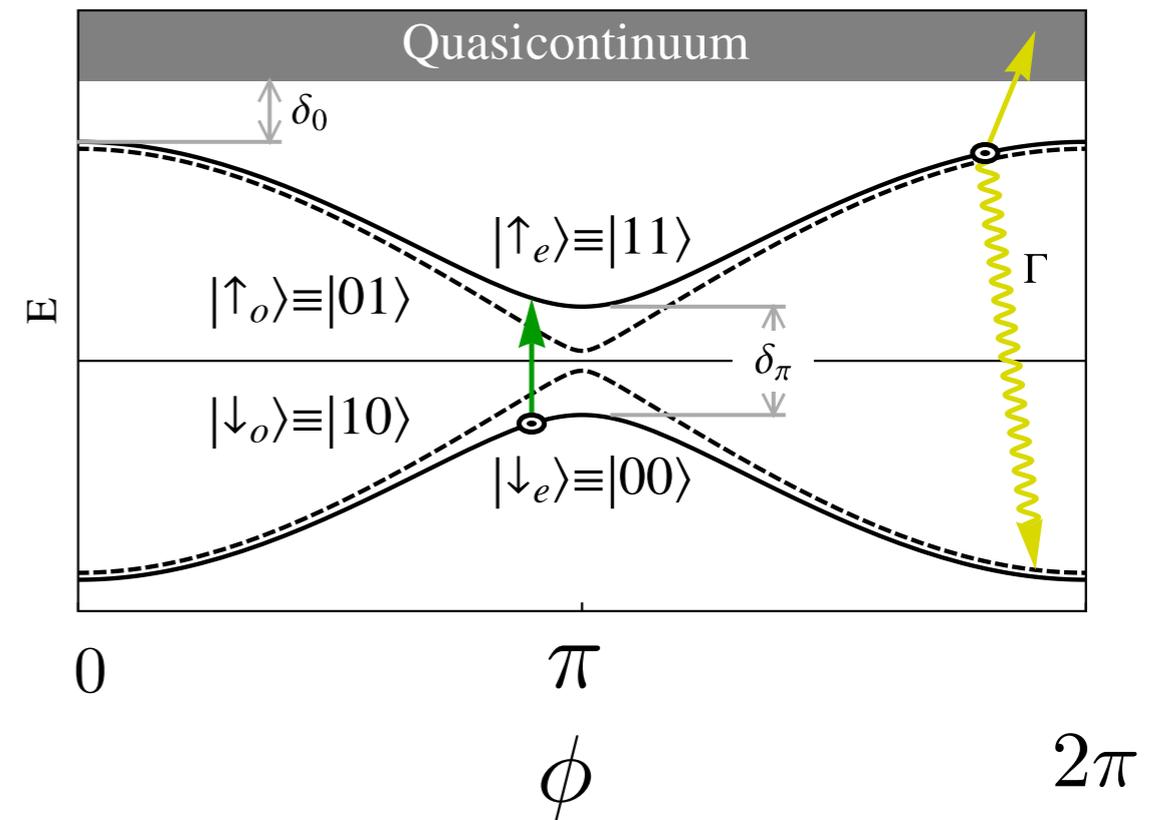
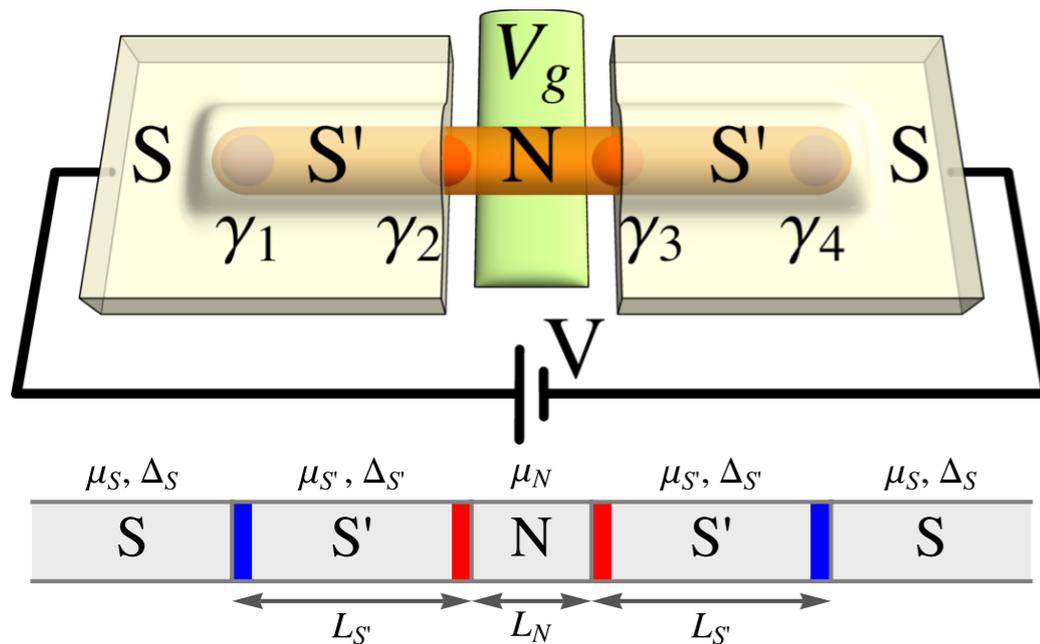


**Teleportation**



# AC $4\pi$ -periodic Josephson effect

(San-Jose et al.)



$$\psi_a = \gamma_2 + i\gamma_3 \quad \psi_b = \gamma_1 + i\gamma_4$$

$4\pi$ -periodic Josephson effect is absent for finite size systems,  
because of admixture with two other Majorana end states

However, ac  $4\pi$ -periodic Josephson effect is still possible,  
because of non-adiabatic transition induced by ac fields

Experimentally detected? Rokhinson et al., Nature Physics 8, 795 (2012)

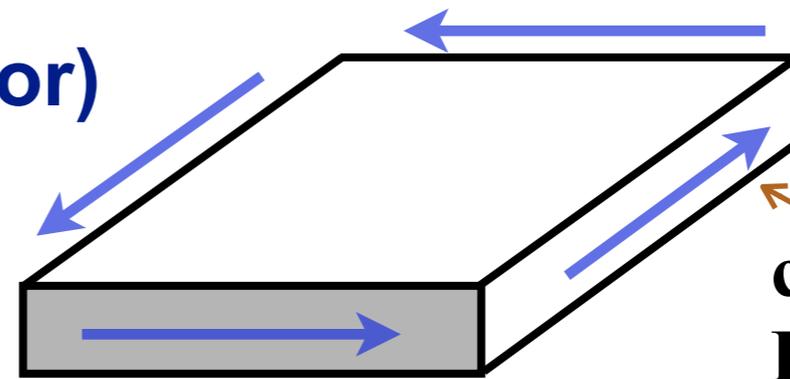
not yet convincing

# ***Thermal Responses***

# Chiral superconductor with broken TRS (class D and C)

Analogy to QHE (or Chern insulator)

**QHE:** 
$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{e^2}{h} N$$



chiral gapless Dirac(QHE) or Majorana (SC) edge mode

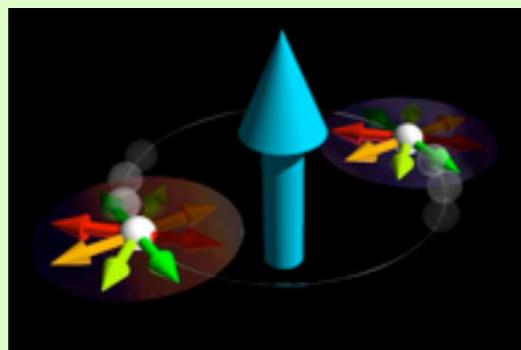
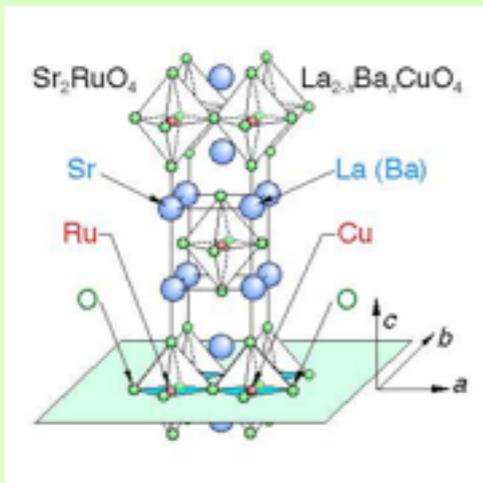
**2D class D top. SC:** *charge is not conserved but, energy is still conserved*

$$\kappa_{xy} = \frac{\pi^2 k_B^2 T}{6h} N$$

**quantum anomalous thermal Hall effect**  
(Read, Green; Nomura et al.; Sumiyoshi, S.F.)

## Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>

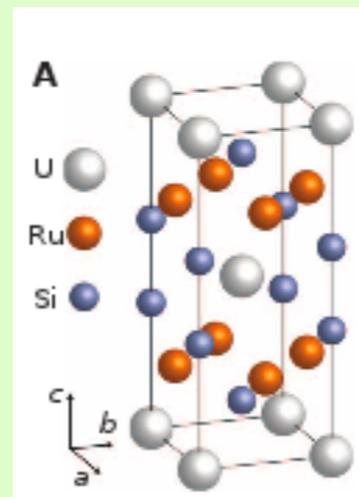
Chiral  $p_x+ip_y$  SC (topological)  
2D class D



(Y. Maeno et al.)

## URu<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>

Chiral  $d+id$  SC (not topological)



**3D class C(trivial)**  
not quantized but still nonzero spontaneous thermal Hall effect

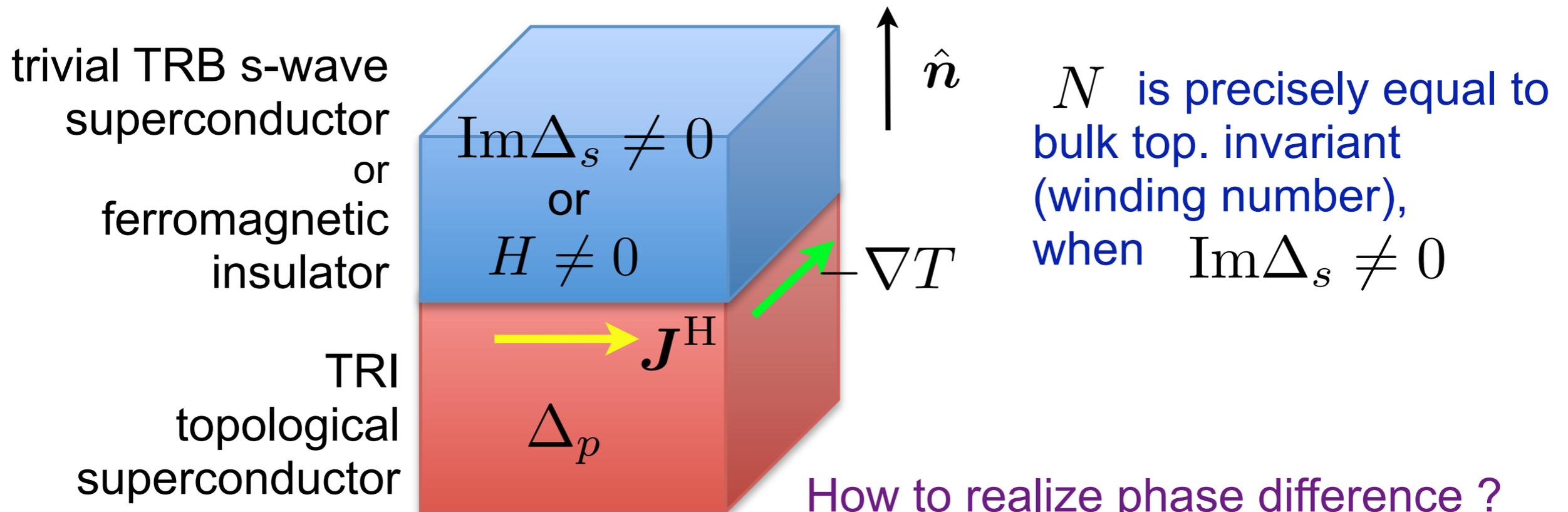
(Y. Kasahara et al.)

# TRI topological superconductor (class DIII)

## Quantum anomalous thermal Hall effect

$$J_H = -\frac{\pi^2 k_B^2 T}{12h} N \hat{n} \times \nabla T$$

(Wang, Qi, Zhang; Nomura et al.; Shiozaki, S.F.)



How to realize phase difference ?

- bias between s-wave SC and TSC
- dynamical effect,  $\text{Im}\Delta_s(\omega) \neq 0$  for  $\omega \neq 0$  due to inelastic scattering

## SUMMARY

### Exotic phenomena associated with Majorana fermions in SC

- (i) Non-Abelian statistics**
- (ii) Non-local correlation and “teleportation”**
- (iii) Majorana fermion as “fractionalization” of electron**
- (iv) Thermal responses**

**In particular,  
experimental detections of (i) and (ii) are the most important future  
issues**