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Higgs mode in quantum spin systems

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Outline

• Higgs mode in quantum spin systems

• Low-dimensional system

• Spin dimer system

Extended spin-wave theory describing both Nambu-Goldstone and Higgs modes

• Rerated system and optical property

Higgs mode in quantum spin systems



To have the Higgs mode



Quantum phase transition		
 Low dimensionality 	quasi 1-dimensional S=1 system	Affleck, PRL (1989)
 Local quench of spin 	spin dimer system easy-plane single-ion anisotropy <i>D</i> (<i>S</i> ^z) ²	

Quasi 1-dimensional S=1 system

Hamiltonain

$$H_3 = J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle}^{\text{chains}} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j + J' \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle}^{\text{planes}} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j$$

Affleck, PRL (1989) Affleck and Wellman, PRB (1992)

Low-energy effective mode (σ model)

mass (Haldane gap)

$$L = \sum_{i} \left[(\partial \phi_i / \partial t)^2 / 2v - v (\partial \phi_i / \partial z)^2 / 2 - (\Delta^2 / 2v) \phi_i^2 - 2Ds (\phi_i^z)^2 - (\lambda/4) (\phi_i \cdot \phi_i)^2 \right]$$

= $2J's \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \phi_i(z) \cdot \phi_j(z)$ inter-chain

Intersite-interaction-induced quantum phase transition $J_c' = \Delta^2 / 16vs$ $\phi = (\phi_x, \phi_y, \phi_0 + \phi_z)$ Higgs

critical vaule

Nambu-Goldstone classical

Spin dimer system TICuCl₃





Motion of triplet excitation







Classical energy for pressure-induced order





Extended spin-wave theory

Introduce bosons for mean-field states







Intensity of neutron scattering



Finite temperature

Merchant et al., Nat. Phys. (2014)







At the critical pressure



Merchant et al., Nat. Phys. (2014)

Related system and optical property



Electromagnon excitation and Higgs mode

Electromagnon

Electric-field-excitable magnon Multiferroic systems



Electric field excites the Higgs mode selectively

Spin-dependent electric polarization





Summary

Higgs mode in quantum spin systems

Detectable in the vicinity of a quantum critical point





various ways to induce QPT Low-dimensionality Spin dimer, dimer + monomer, trimer Easy-plane single-ion anisotropy

Good playground to study Higgs mode

Various ways to detect Higgs mode

Neutron scattering Light absorption Raman scattering ESR

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