

# Quantum Soliton in monoaxial chiral ferromagnetic chain\*

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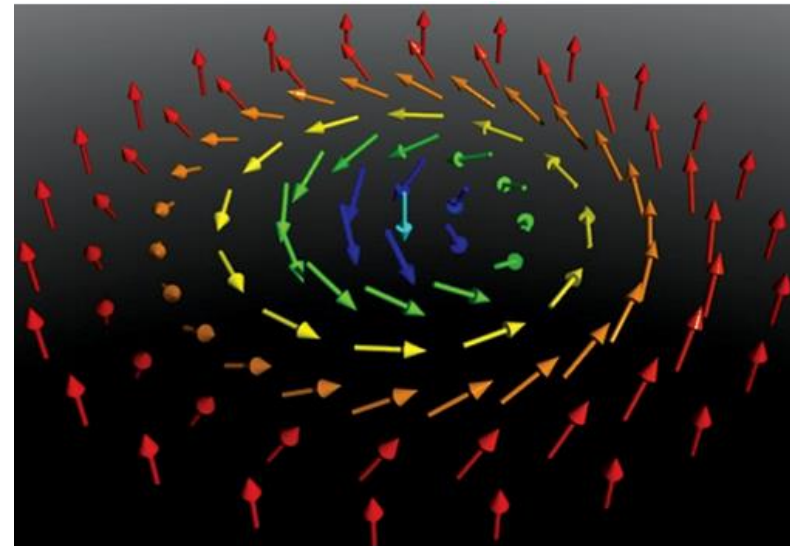
# Chiral Magnets have

- Crystal structure without inversion and mirror symmetries
- Nontrivial magnetic structure caused by Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya Interaction

Ex. Chiral soliton lattice, Skyrmion,



Reviews on Chiral Soliton Lattice:  
[Togawa, Kohsaka, Kishine, Inoue,](#)  
[J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. \*\*85\*\*, 112001 \(2016\)](#)



<http://www.riken.jp/en/research/rikenresearch/highlights/6527>

Reviews on Skyrmion: [Nagaosa and Tokura 2013, Nat. Nanotechnol. 8 899](#)

# Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya Interaction

Which has the form of  $\underbrace{\mathbf{D}_{ij}} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j)$

DM vector (Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya vector)

- Interaction between spins inherent to the bond  $(i,j)$  without inversion/reflection symmetry.
- Direction of the DM vector depends on the crystal structure

In this talk, we will focus on a simple case, where the DM vector is parallel to the crystal axis, where the chiral soliton lattice is formed as the ground state.

- Reasons:
1. Existence of good material ( $\text{CrNb}_3\text{S}_6$ )
  2. Common aspects with vortex in Superconductors and Chiral Liquid Crystal
  3. Possible simulating of DM vector in Cold Atoms cf. M. Kunimi's talk on Monday
  4. Possible realization of CSL in QCD (Higaki, Kamada, Nishimura )

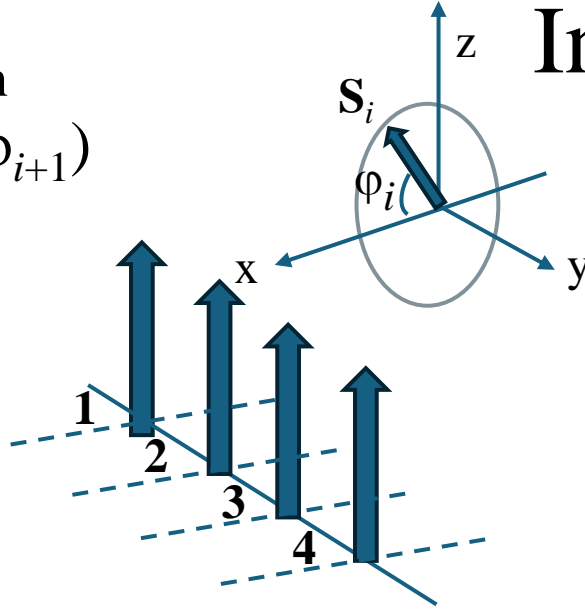
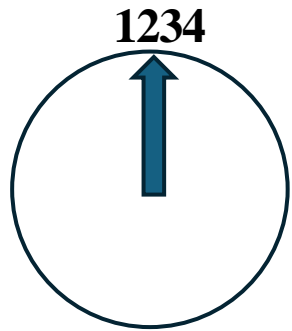
# Formation of Helical Spin Structure in Chiral magnets

In the absence of magnetic field

Ferromagnetic exchange interaction

$$-J \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_{i+1} = -J \cos(\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1})$$

favors parallel spin configuration

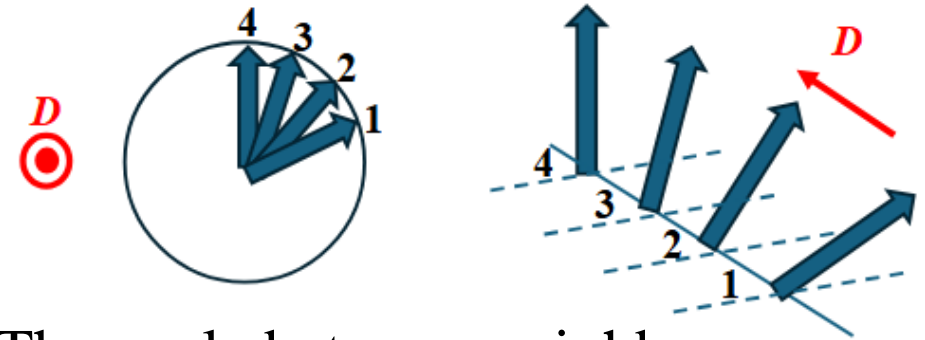
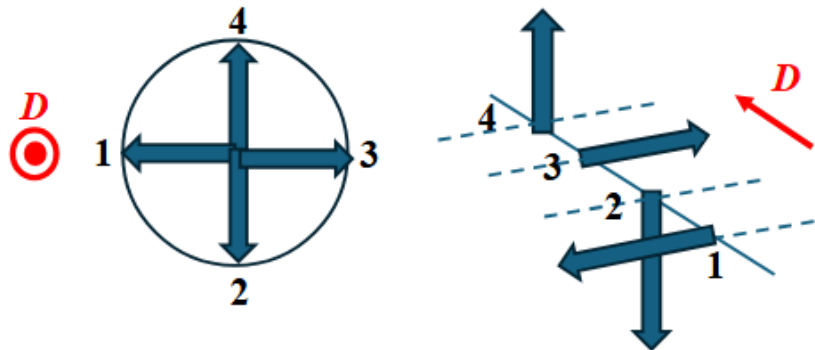


As a competition between the two,  
Spins form helical structure

Dzyaloshinskii Moriya Interaction

$$-D (\mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_{i+1})_z = -D \sin(\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1})$$

favors perpendicular configuration



The angle between neighbors  
is of the order of  $D/J$

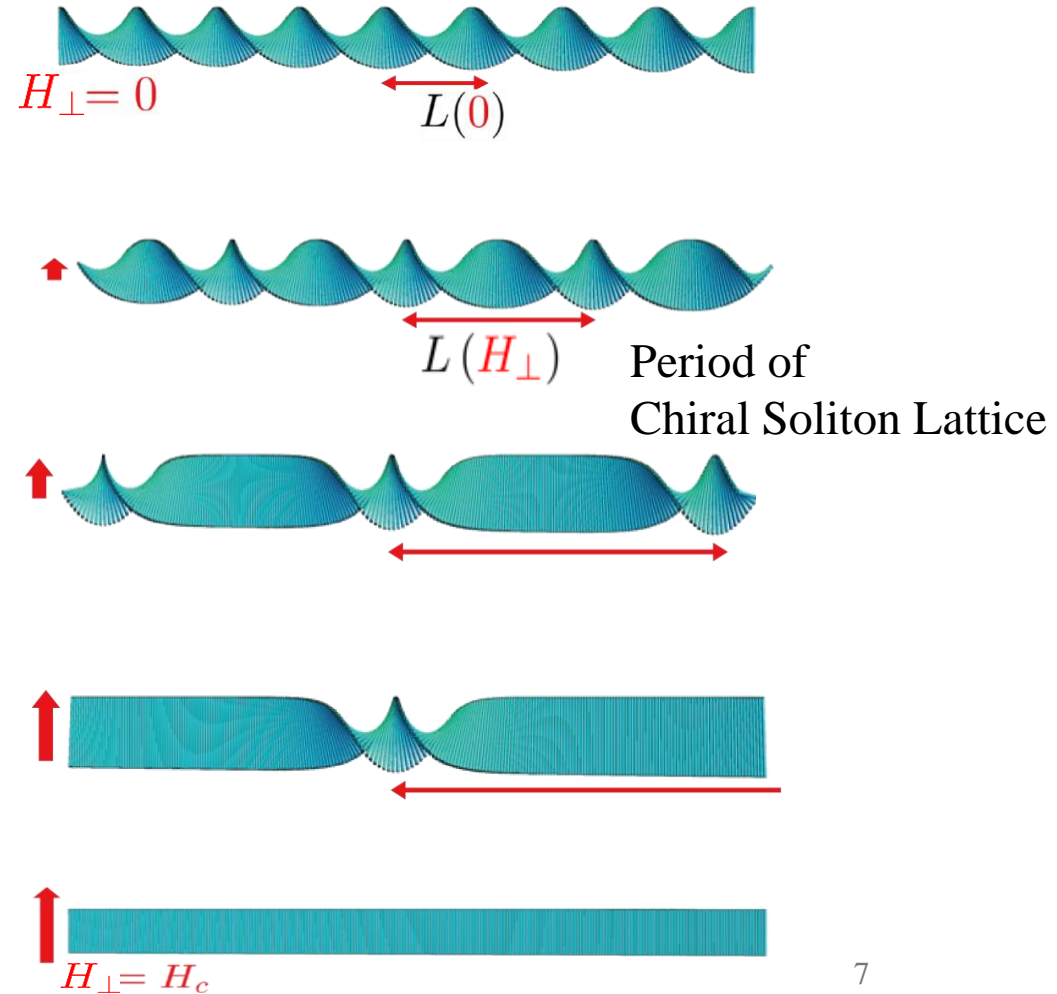
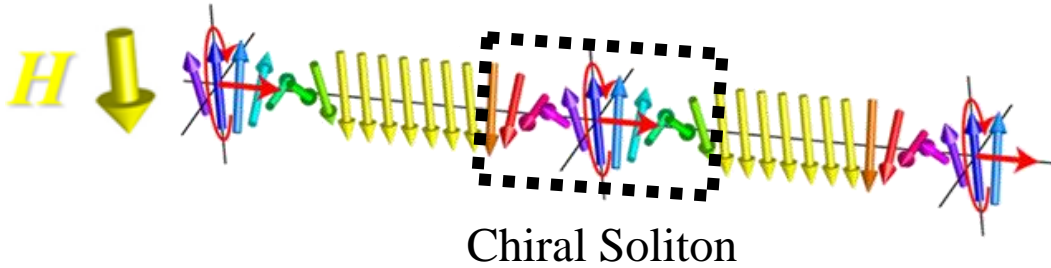
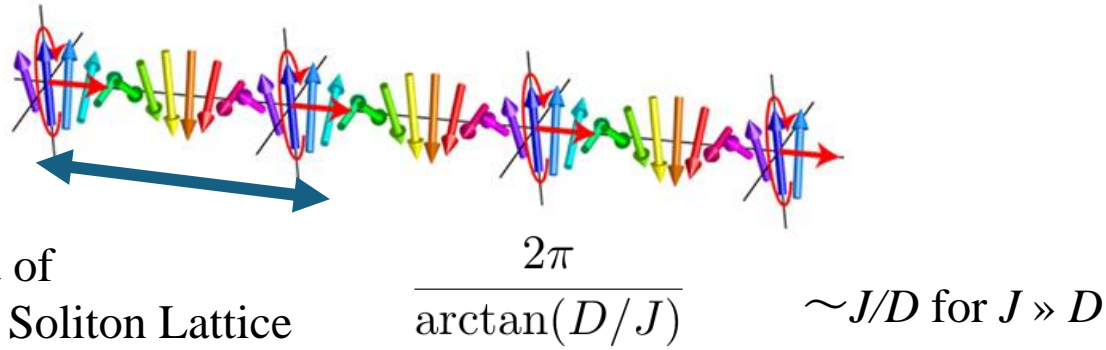
$$-J \cos(\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1}) - D \sin(\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1})$$

$$= -\sqrt{J^2 + D^2} \cos(\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1} - \alpha)$$

$$\alpha = \arctan(D/J)$$

# in magnetic fields

$$E = -\sum_i J \cos(\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1}) + D \sin(\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1}) - H \cos(\varphi_i)$$



Figures: Togawa *et al.*, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. **85**, 112001 (2016)

# Continuum approximation : Sine-Gordon Equation

$$E = \sum_i [-JS^2 \cos(\varphi_{i+1} - \varphi_i) - DS^2 \sin(\varphi_{i+1} - \varphi_i) - HS \cos \varphi_i]$$

Continuum approximation

$$\sim \frac{JS^2}{a} \int dz \left[ \left( \frac{d\varphi(z)}{dz} \right)^2 - \frac{2\pi}{L(0)} \frac{d\varphi(z)}{dz} - \left( \frac{m}{L(0)} \right)^2 \cos \varphi(z) \right]$$

Stationary condition

$$m = \frac{\pi^2}{2} \left( \frac{H}{H_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad H_c = \frac{\pi^2 D^2 S}{16 J}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \varphi(z)}{dz^2} - \left( \frac{m}{L(0)} \right)^2 \sin \varphi(z) = 0 \quad \text{Sine-Gordon equation}$$

$$\varphi(z) = \pi + 2am \left( \frac{m(z - z_s)}{\kappa L(0)}; \kappa \right)$$

○ determines the period  
○ center of mass coordinate

Elliptic function

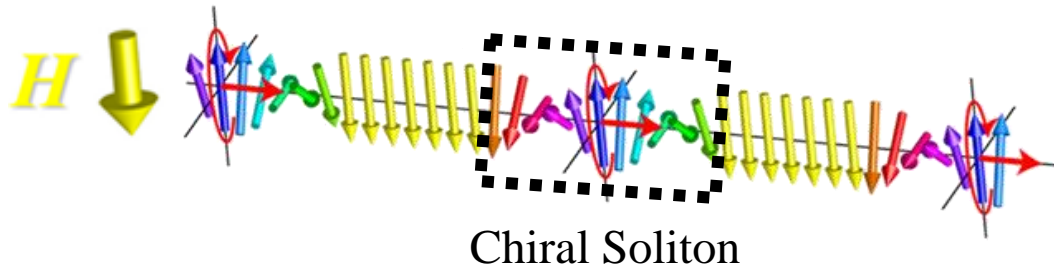
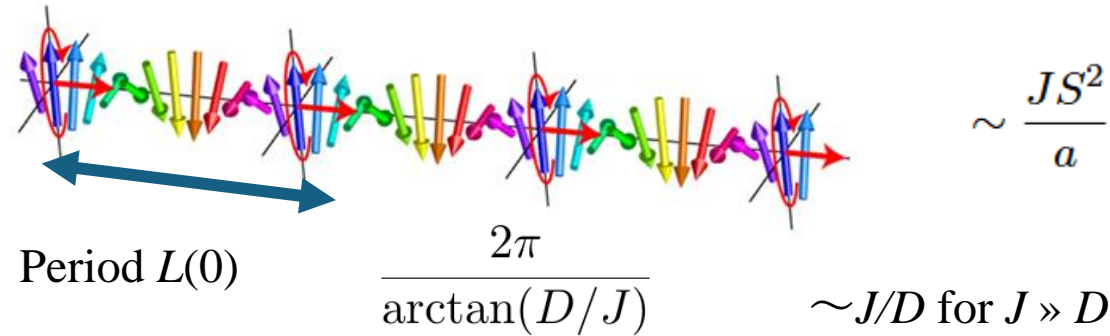
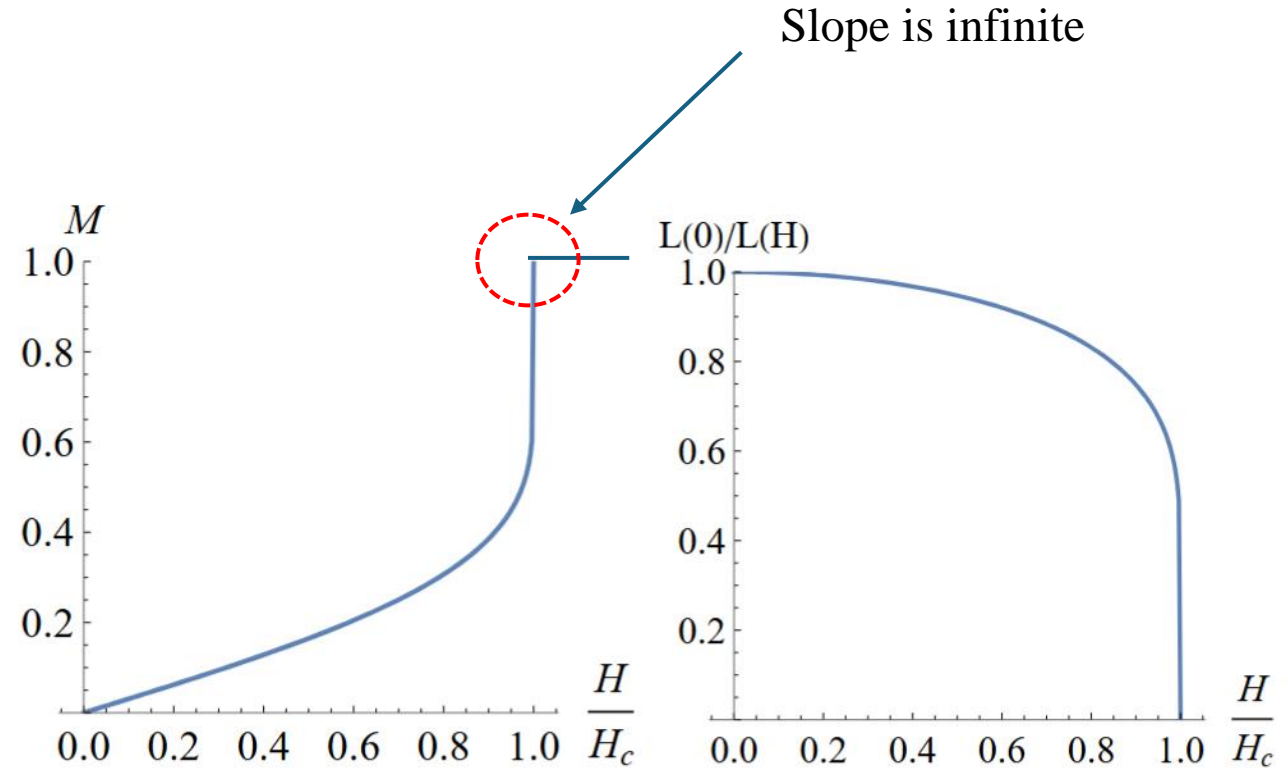
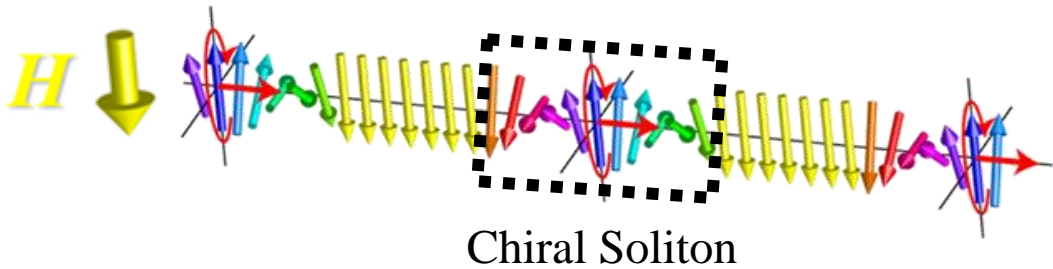
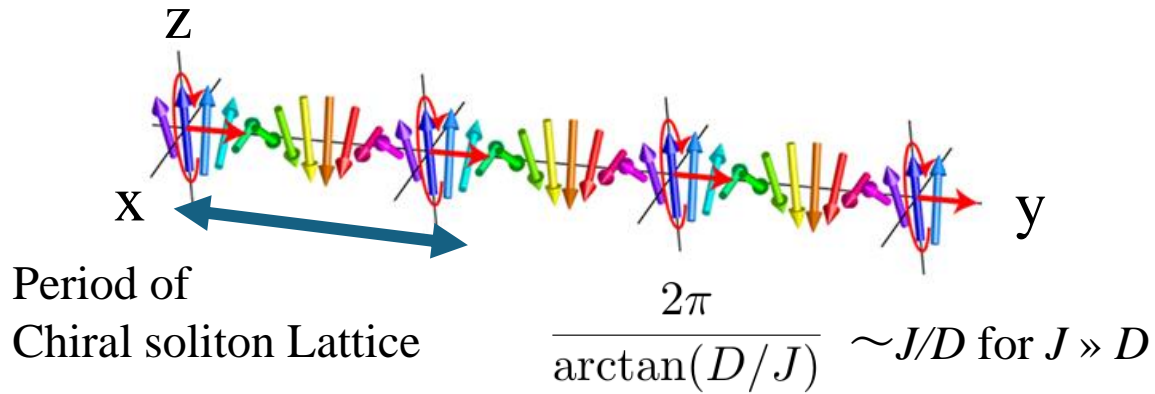


Figure: Togawa *et al.*, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. **85**, 112001 (2016)

Ⓚ is determined by minimizing  $E[\varphi]$

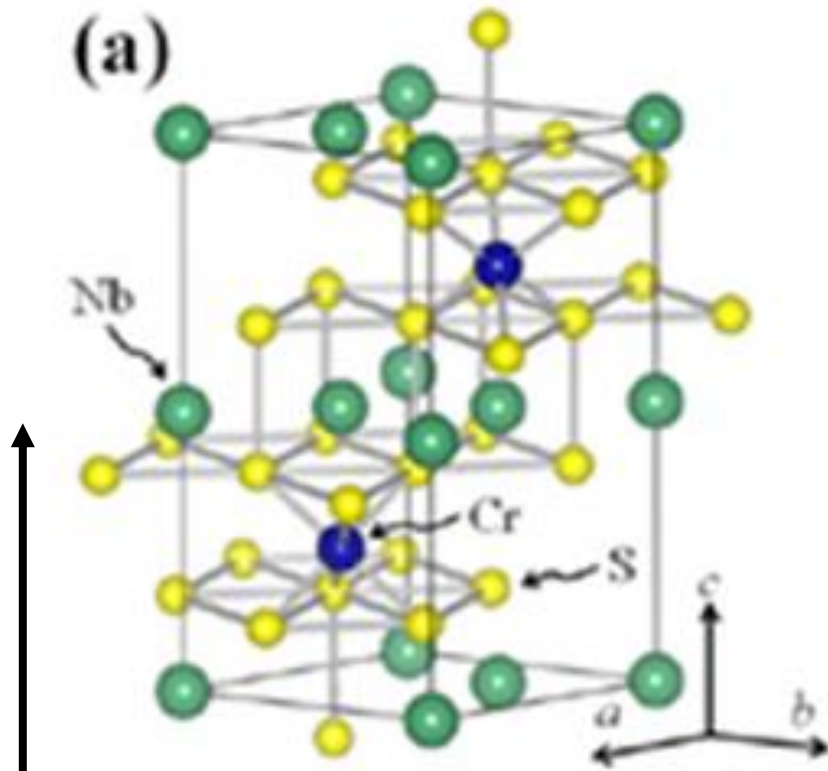


# Helimagnet in magnetic fields



$$\frac{M(H^z)}{M(H_c^z)} \simeq 1 + \frac{1}{\log(H_c^z - H^z)}$$

# Material: $\text{CrNb}_3\text{S}_6$



C axis  
= helical axis

Hexagonal,  $P6_322$ , which  
has chiral axis.

Metallic

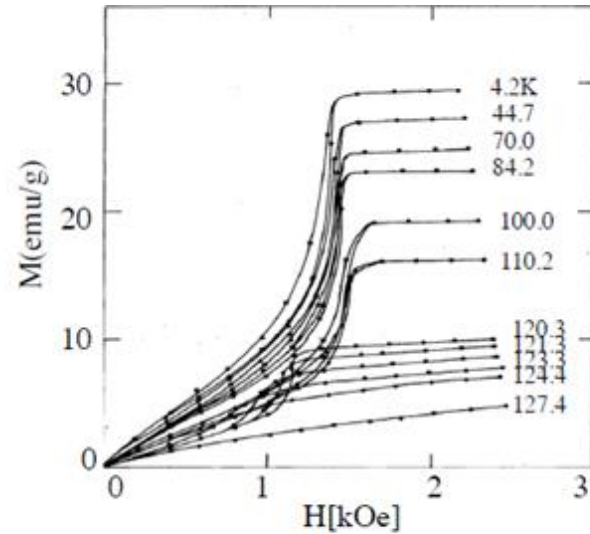
Cr spin  $3/2$ ,  $M \sim 3\mu_B$

$T_c = 127\text{K}$

Review article

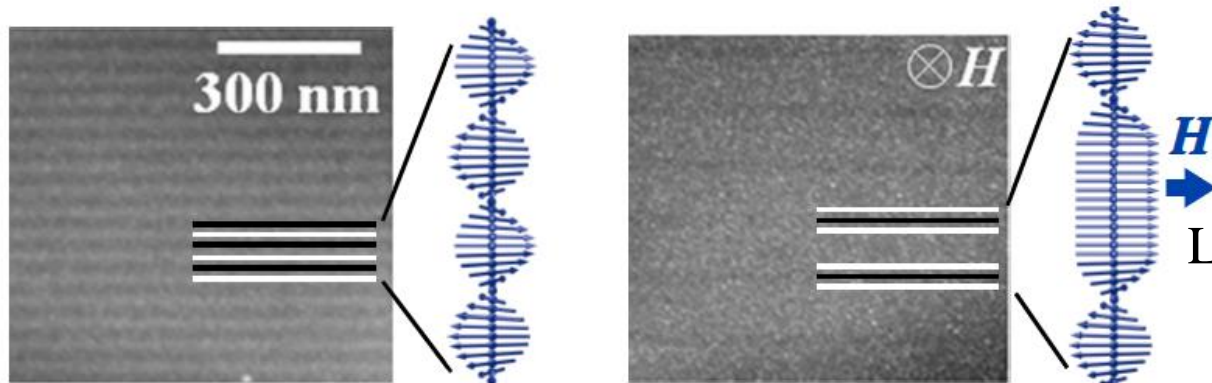
- Kishine-Ovchinnikov 2015
- Togawa, Kohsaka, Kishine, Inoue. 2016

# Magnetic properties



Magnetization measurements  
of  $\text{CrNb}_3\text{S}_6$   
Moriya-Miyadai 1982,  
Miyadai et al 1983.

(a)



Direct observation  
of “chiral soliton lattice”

Lorentz-transmission electron microscopy  
Togawa et al 2012,

$L(0)=48\text{nm}$ : period of helix at zero field

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International Molecule-type workshop

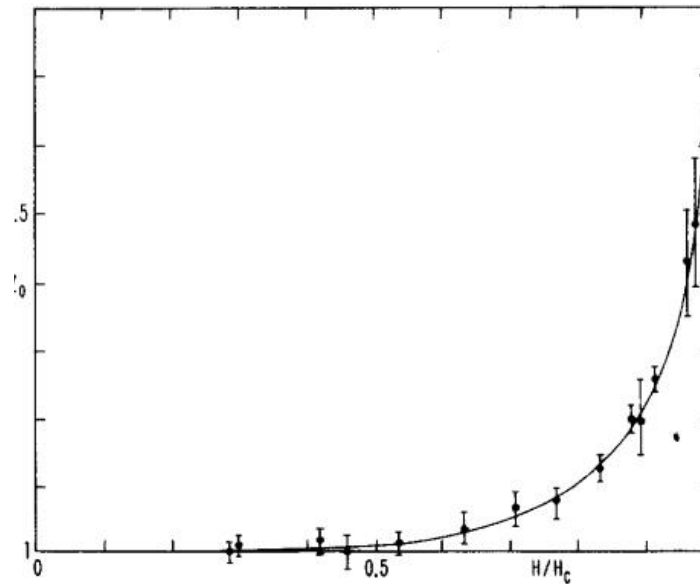
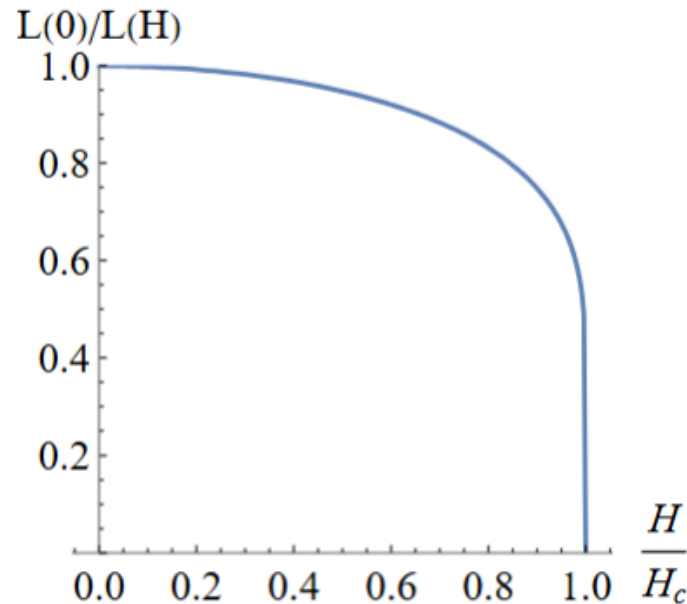
cf: Direct observation  
of Skyrmion, Yu et al. 2010 12

# Similarity with the Freedericksz transition in chiral liquid crystal

V. Freedericksz and V. Zolina,  
'Forces causing the orientation of an anisotropic liquid.'  
*Trans. Farad. Soc.* **29**, 919–930 (1933).

1/Period of Chiral Soliton for  
chiral magnetic lattice

Period of Chiral soliton in  
Liquid Crystal ( $L(H)$ )



**Fig. 2.** Dependence of helix pitch  $Z$  on field strength  $H$ ; theoretical curve after De Gennes (see Ref. 4).

CALCUL DE LA DISTORSION D'UNE STRUCTURE CHOLESTERIQUE  
PAR UN CHAMP MAGNETIQUE

P. G. De Gennes

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(Received 5 January 1968)

En champ magnétique nul un cristal liquide cholestérique a une structure hélicoïdale.<sup>1</sup> En présence d'un champ  $H$  la structure est distordue et la période spatiale augmente. Finalement, pour  $H$  supérieur à une valeur critique  $H_c$  ( $\sim 2 \cdot 10^4$  Oe) il y a alignement complet (passage à une phase nématique).

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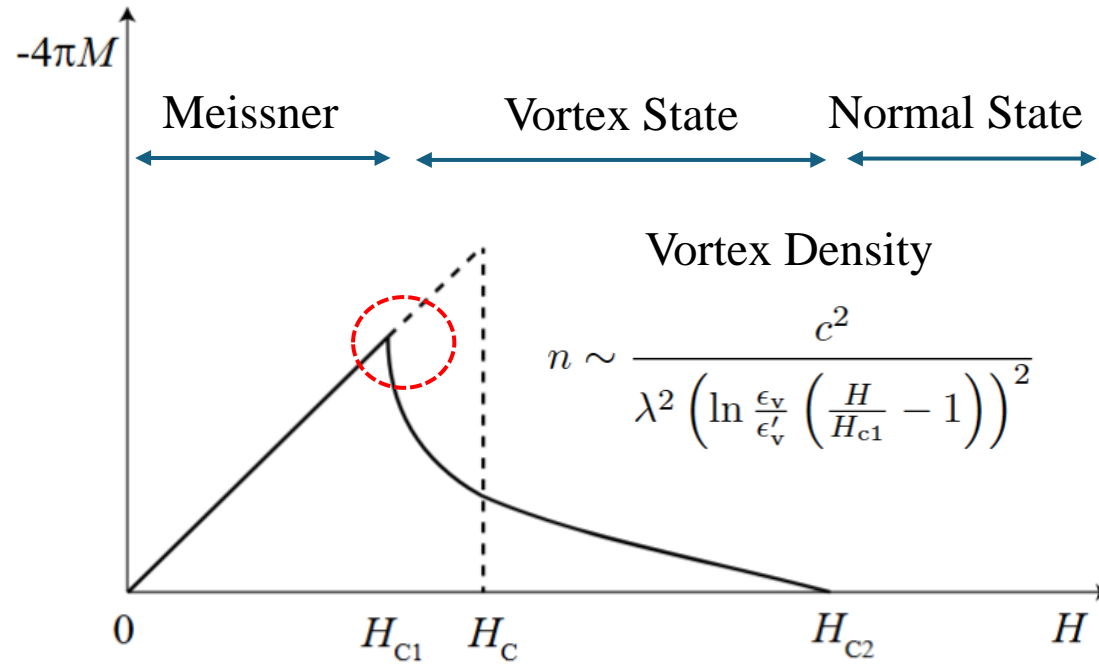
**DISTORTION OF A CHOLESTERIC STRUCTURE BY A MAGNETIC FIELD\***

Robert B. Meyer  
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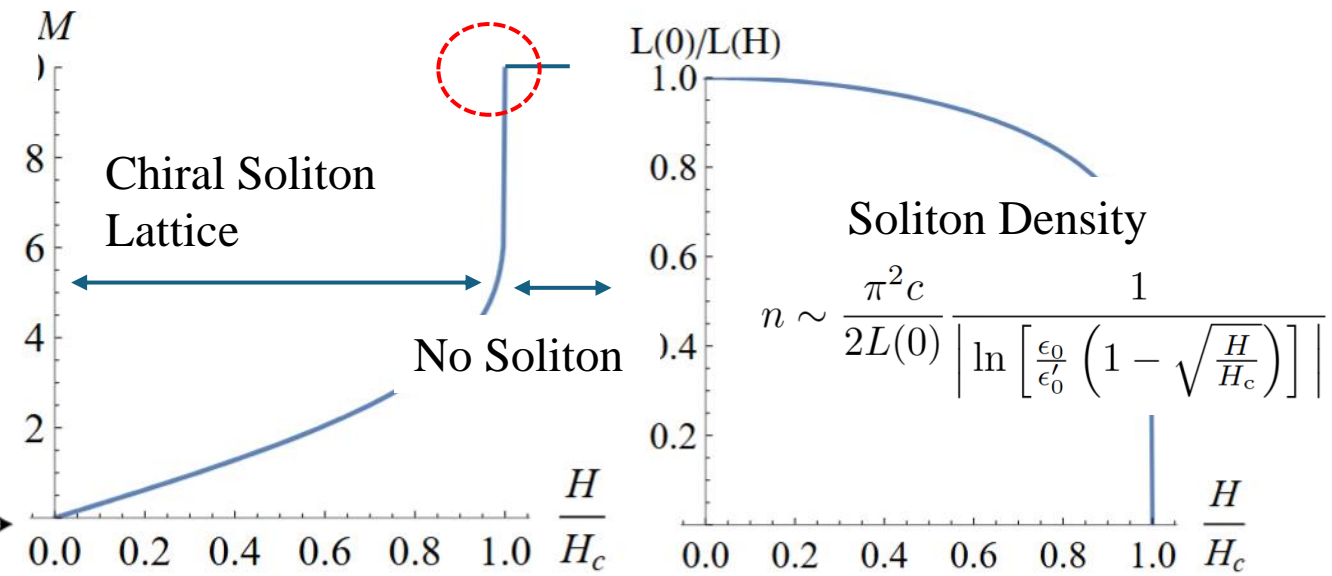
An experiment is described which confirms the theory of the distortion of a cholesteric structure by a magnetic field. Field effects in a sample of *p*-azoxyanisole doped with cholesteryl acetate were viewed directly with a microscope, and the pitch of the helical structure was measured as a function of field strength.

# Similarity with Type II Superconductors

Magnetization Curve of Type II Superconductors



Magnetization Curve of Chiral Magnet



This singularity is common for the condensation of topological defects

# Another similarity: Hysteresis in continuous transition

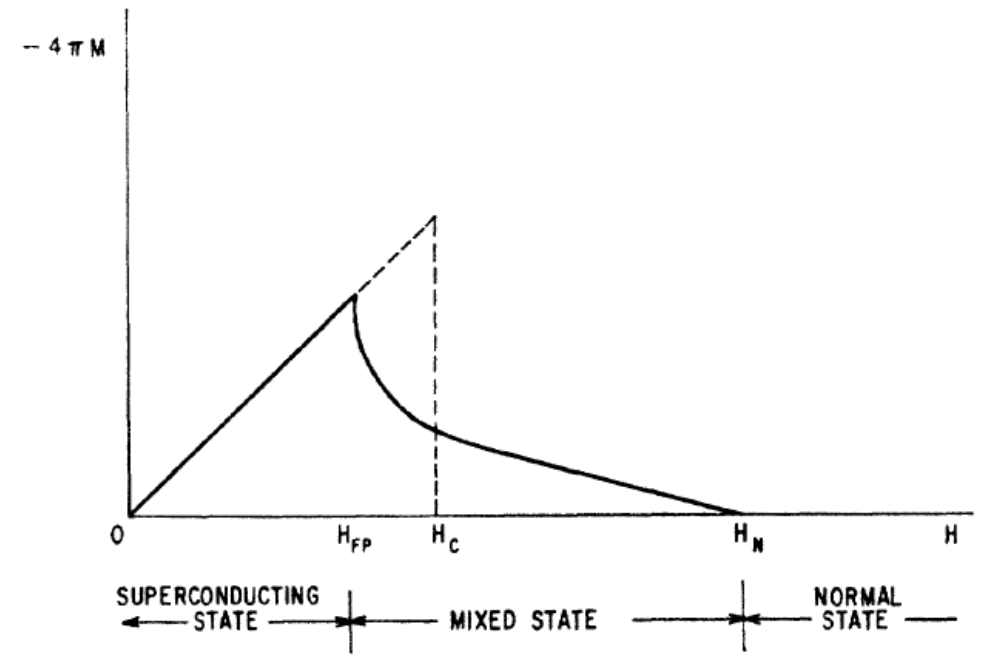
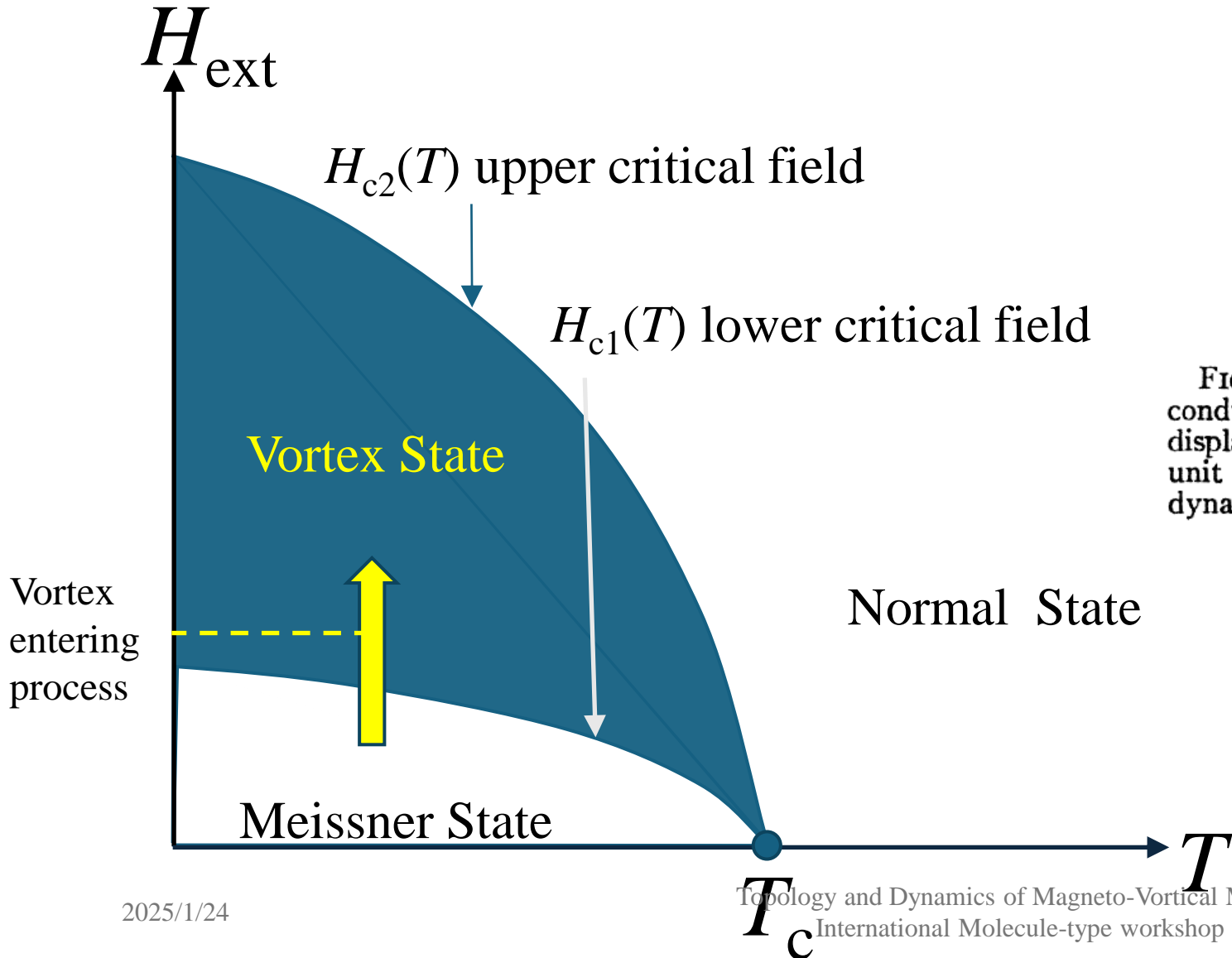
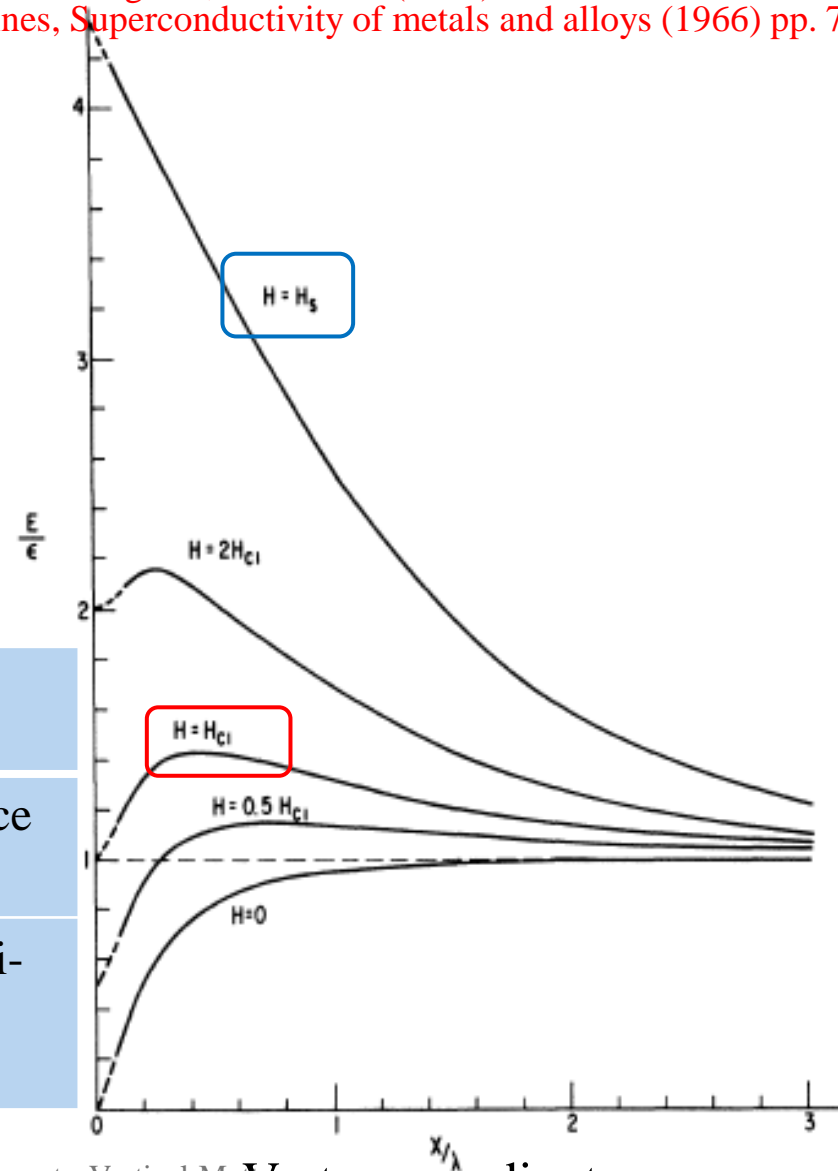
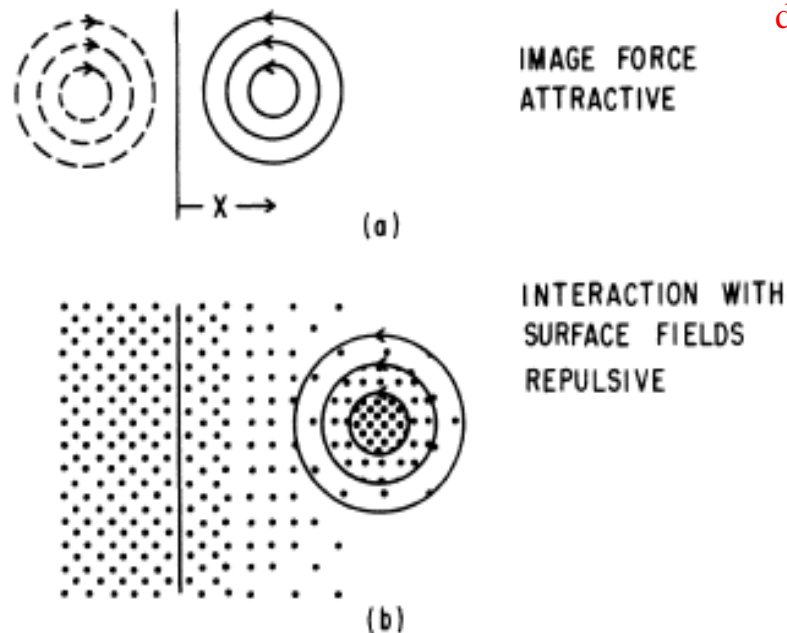


FIG. 1. Dashed curve: Magnetization curve for a soft superconductor. Solid curve: magnetization curve for a superconductor displaying "negative surface energy."  $M$  is the magnetization per unit volume,  $H$  is the applied magnetic field,  $H_C$  is the thermodynamic critical field.

# Surface barrier of vortex in superconductors

Bean and Livingston, PRL 12 14 (1964).

de Gennes, Superconductivity of metals and alloys (1966) pp. 76.



Cf: Surface barrier of Skyrmion

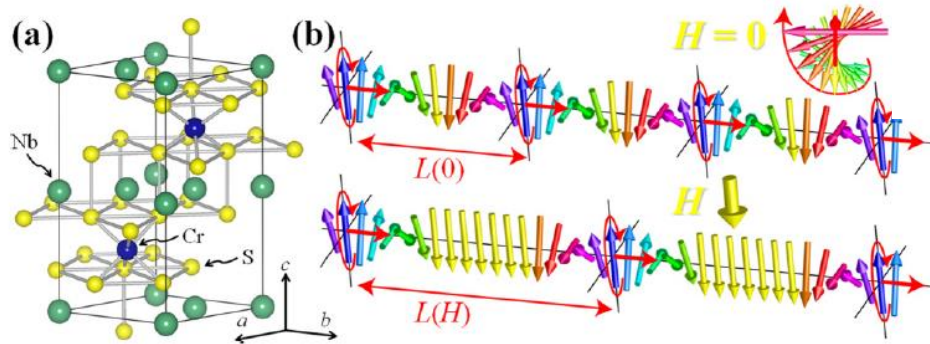
Iwasaki, Mochizuki and Nagaosa 2013  
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	Outward force	Inward force
Vortex in SC	Force with image vortex	Int. with surface current
Chiral soliton	Zeeman energy Exchange energy	Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya int

# Hysteresis in micron-sized samples

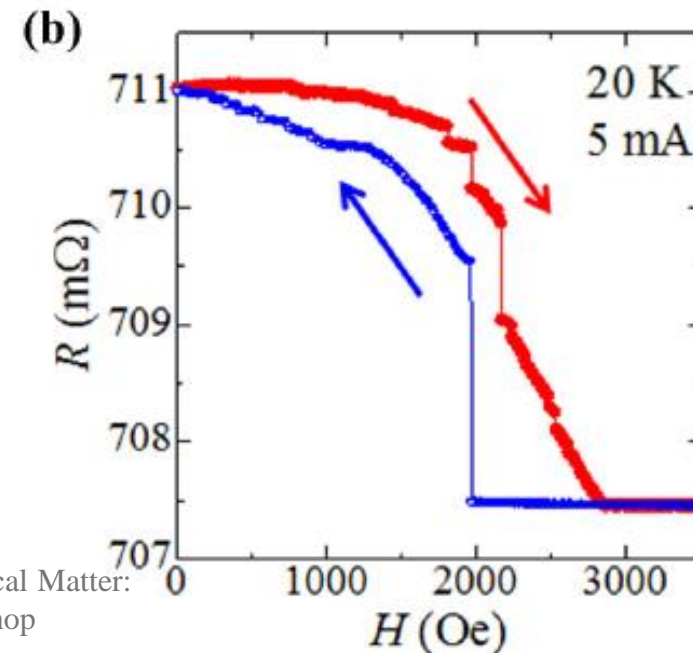
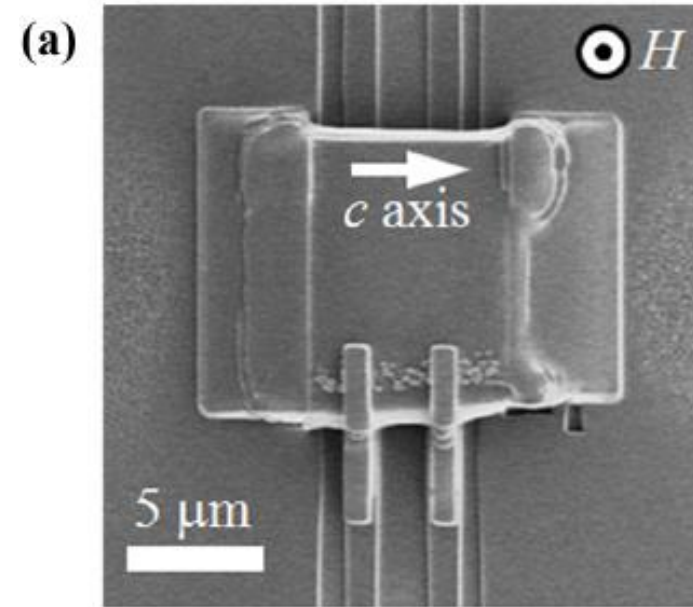
Togawa et al. PRB 92, 220412(R) (2015)

CrNb<sub>3</sub>S<sub>6</sub> Magneto Resistance



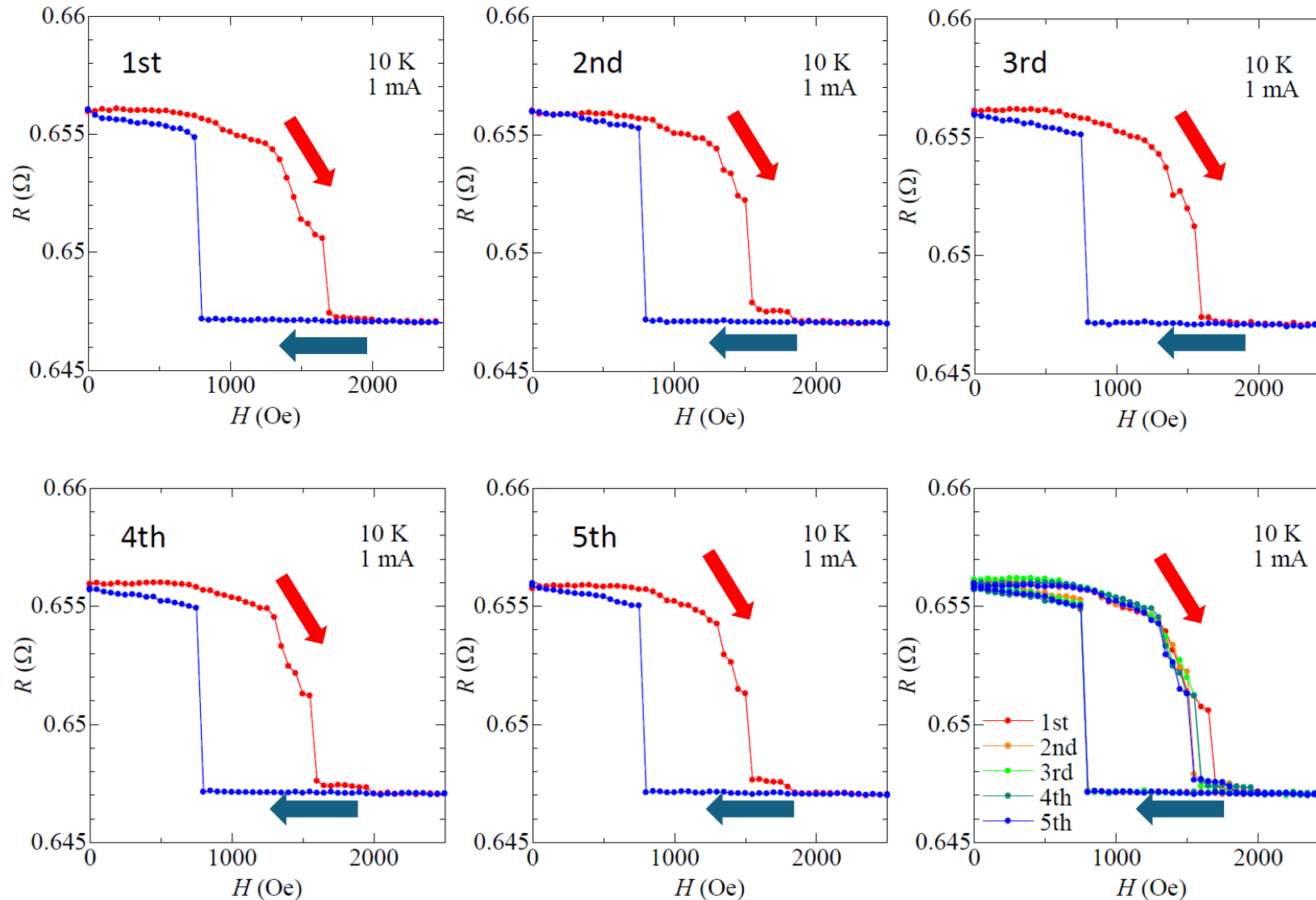
Hysteresis: Increasing process (red) and decreasing process (blue)

Sample: 10 $\mu\text{m}$  \* 10 $\mu\text{m}$  \* 1 $\mu\text{m}$





# Reproducibility (based on five runs) of Magneto-Resistance of $\text{CrNb}_3\text{S}_6$ in demagnetization-free configuration



Sample:  $11.25\mu\text{m} * 17.5\mu\text{m} * 0.7\mu\text{m}$

Shinozaki, Masaki, Aoki Togawa Kato, PRB (2018)

# Surface barrier of chiral soliton in chiral magnet

Sine-Gordon equation for helical configuration

$$S(z) = S(\cos \varphi(z), \sin \varphi(z), 0)$$

$$\mathcal{H}[\varphi] = J^{\parallel} S^2 a_0 N_{2d} \int_I dz \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} \right)^2 - \frac{2\pi}{L(0)} \left( \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} \right) - \left( \frac{m}{L(0)} \right)^2 \cos \varphi \right)$$

$$m = \frac{\pi^2}{2} \left( \frac{H}{H_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$L(0) = 2\pi a_0 J^{\parallel} / D$$

$N_{2d}$  : # of spin in each layer

$I = [0, \infty)$  : semi-infinite system with a boundary at  $z=0$

Shinozaki, Masaki, Aoki, Togawa, Kato. PRB (2018)

Single soliton solution

$$\varphi_0(z; z_s, m) = 4 \arctan(e^{m(z-z_s)/L(0)})$$

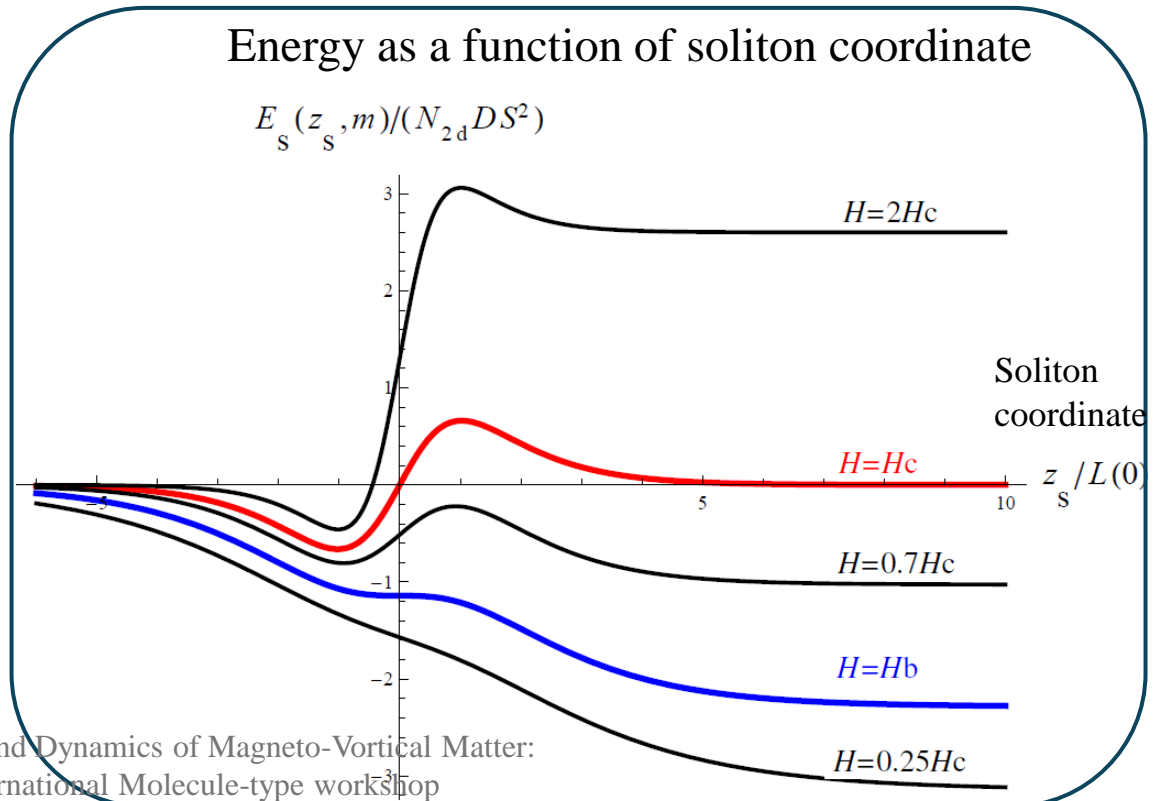
$z_s$  : Soliton coordinate

$z_s > 0$ , inside of sample  
 $z_s < 0$ , outside of sample

Energy barrier exists at fields higher than

$$H_b = \frac{4}{\pi^2} H_c \approx 0.405285 H_c$$

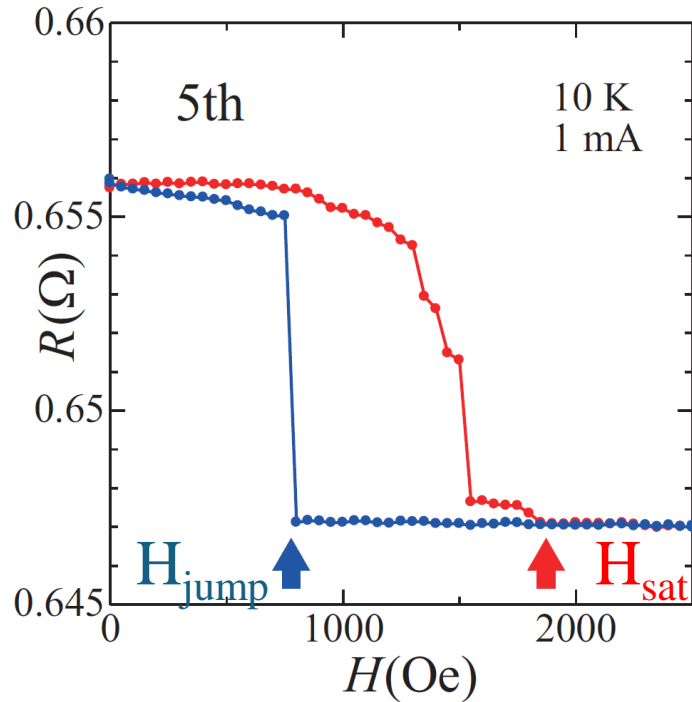
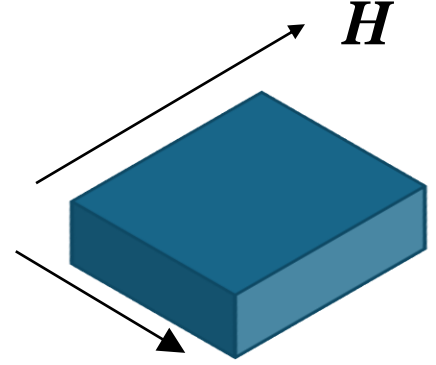
Energy as a function of soliton coordinate



# Comparison with experiments ( in demagnetization-free configuration)

Theoretical result:

$$H_b = \frac{4}{\pi^2} H_c \approx \underline{0.405285 H_c}$$



sample	$H_{\text{jump}}/\text{Oe}$	$H_{\text{sat}}/\text{Oe}$	$H_{\text{jump}}/H_{\text{sat}}$
A	$775 \pm 25$	$2025 \pm 25$	0.382
	$775 \pm 25$	$1875 \pm 25$	0.413
	$775 \pm 25$	$1725 \pm 25$	0.449
	$775 \pm 25$	$1975 \pm 25$	0.392
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B	$892.5 \pm 2.5$	$2147.5 \pm 2.5$	0.415
	$892.5 \pm 2.5$	$2202.5 \pm 2.5$	0.405
	$892.5 \pm 2.5$	$2187.5 \pm 2.5$	0.408
C	$710 \pm 10$	$1770 \pm 10$	0.401

C-axis  
=helical  
axis)

Size(a axis, b axis, c axis) sample A ( $11\mu\text{m}$ ,  $0.7\mu\text{m}$ ,  $17.5\mu\text{m}$ )

B ( $10\mu\text{m}$ ,  $1\mu\text{m}$ ,  $10\mu\text{m}$ )

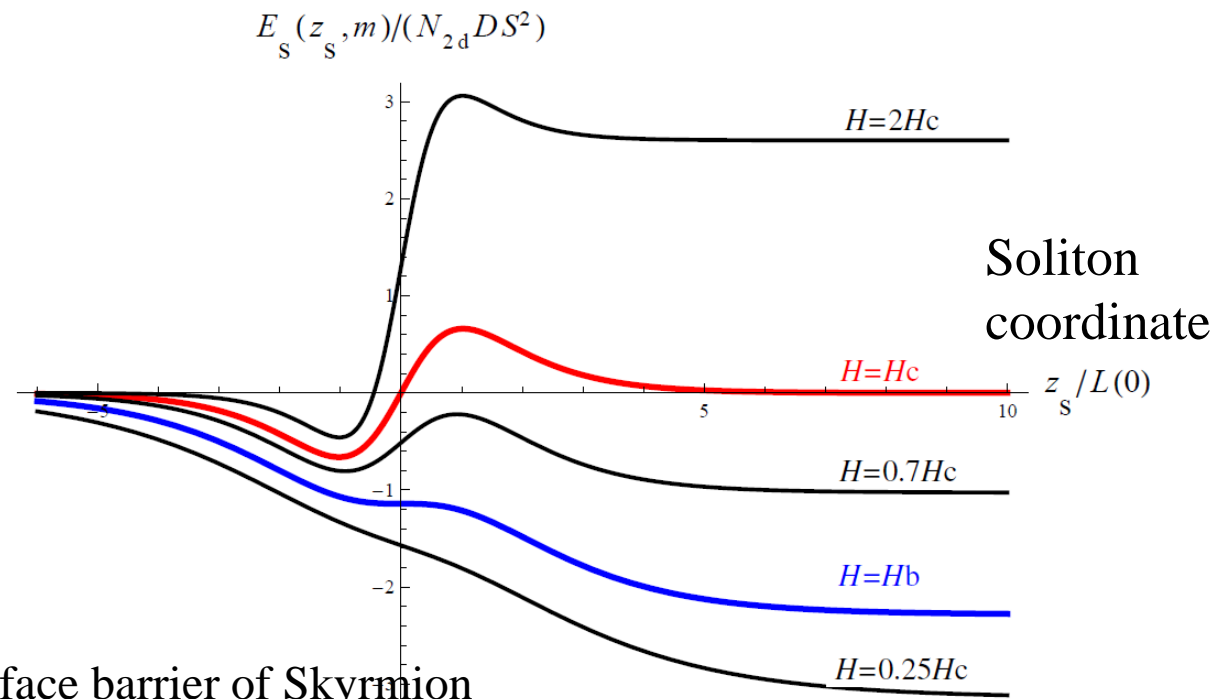
C ( $13\mu\text{m}$ ,  $0.5\mu\text{m}$ ,  $13\mu\text{m}$ )

Shinozaki, Masaki, Aoki Togawa Kato. PRB (2018)

# Comparison with chiral soliton and vortex in superconductors

Shinozaki, Masaki, Aoki Togawa Kato. PRB (2018)

Energy as a function of soliton coordinate

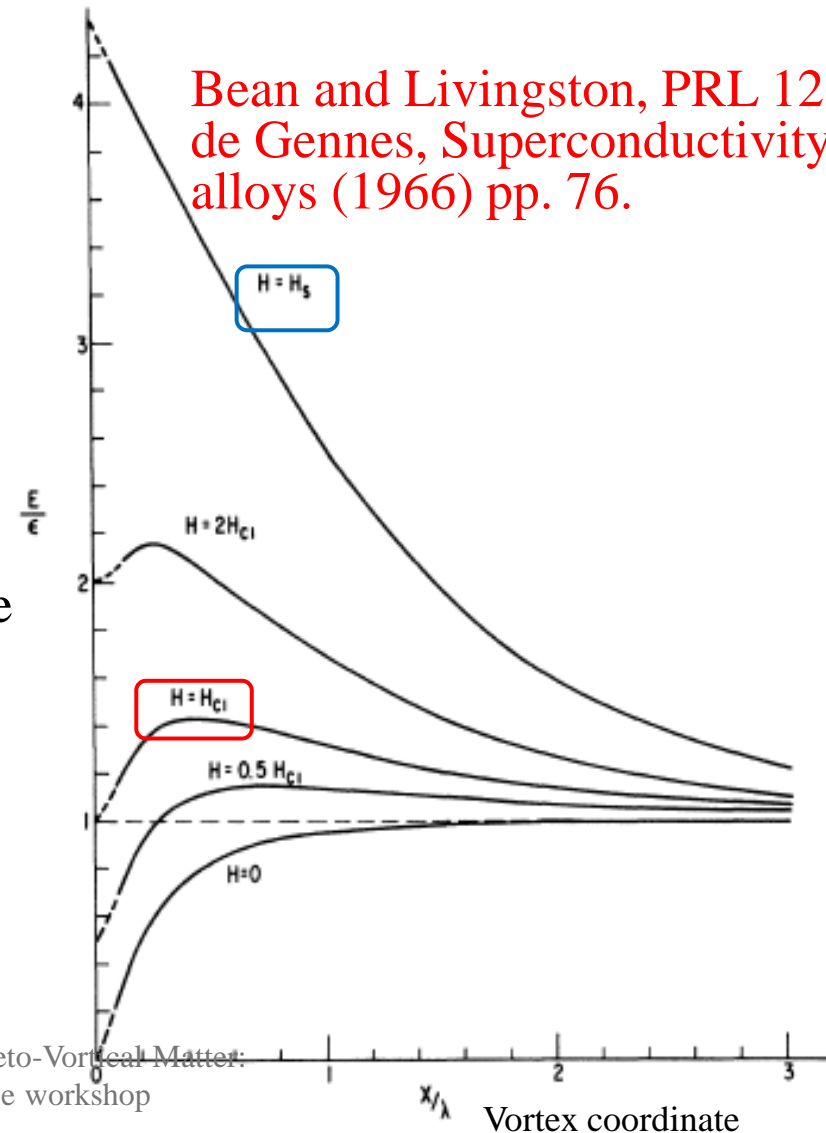


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# Short Summary: Introduction to Classical Chiral magnet

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- Good material exists:  $\text{CrNb}_3\text{S}_6$
- Similarity with Chiral Liquid Crystal, Vortex in type II superconductors,
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- Good Agreement on the hysteresis between theory and experiments

**Shinozaki et al, 2018**

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## II: Quantum Spin Chain of monoaxial Chiral magnet

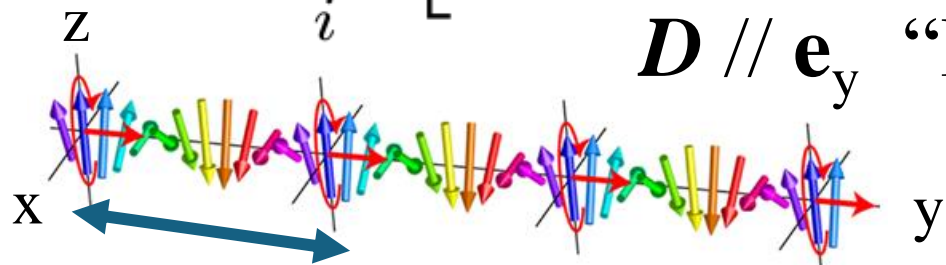
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- Numerical Result: Difference between Half integer spin and Integer spin in chiral magnet
- Theory for  $S=1/2$
- Theory for higher Spin

# Monoaxial chiral ferromagnets

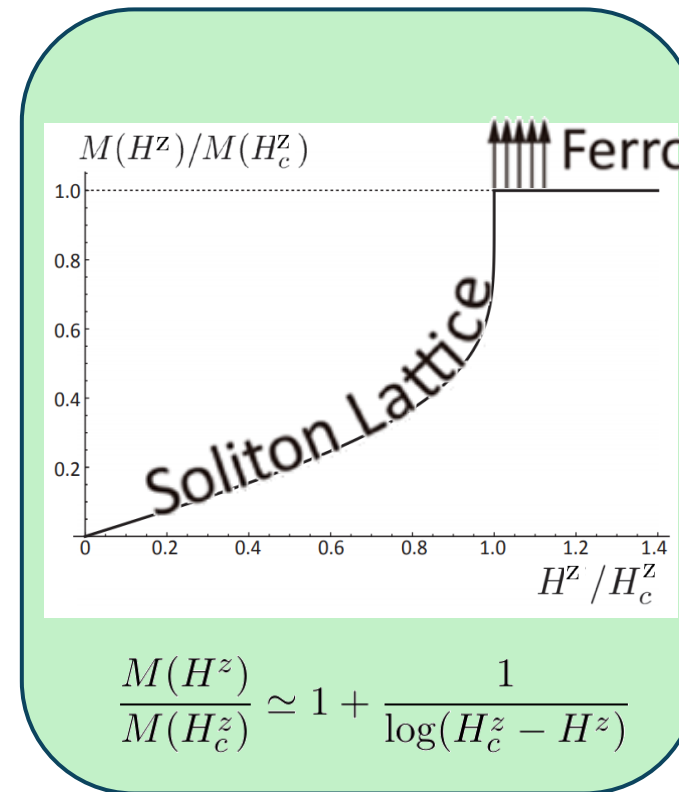
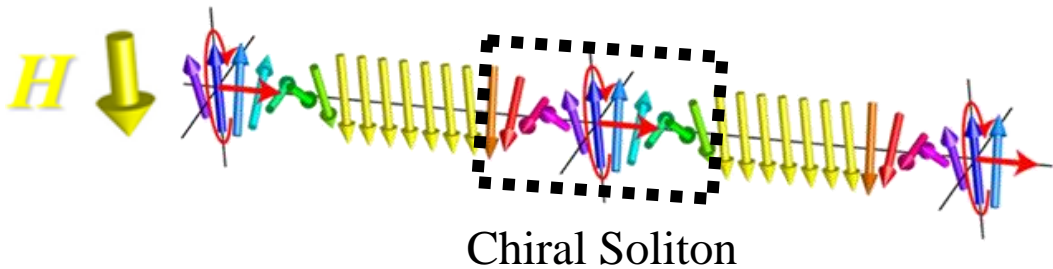
$$\hat{H}_{\text{chiral}} = \sum_i \left[ -J \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{S}}_{i+1} - D \left( \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \times \hat{\mathbf{S}}_{i+1} \right)_y - H \hat{S}_i^z + K \left( \hat{S}_i^y \right)^2 \right]$$

$\mathbf{D} // \mathbf{e}_y$  “Monoaxial”



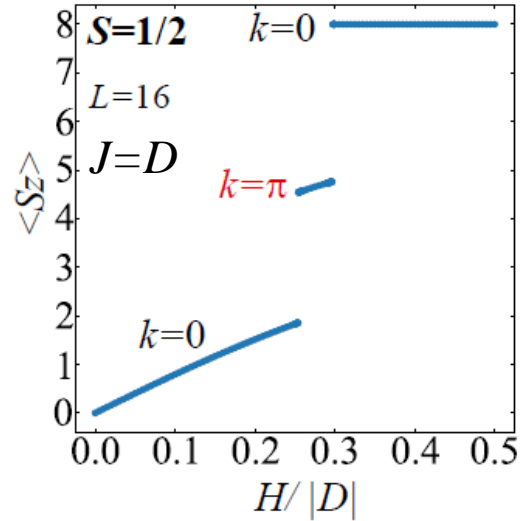
Period of  
Chiral Soliton Lattice

$$\frac{2\pi}{\arctan(D/J)} \sim J/D \text{ for } J \gg D$$

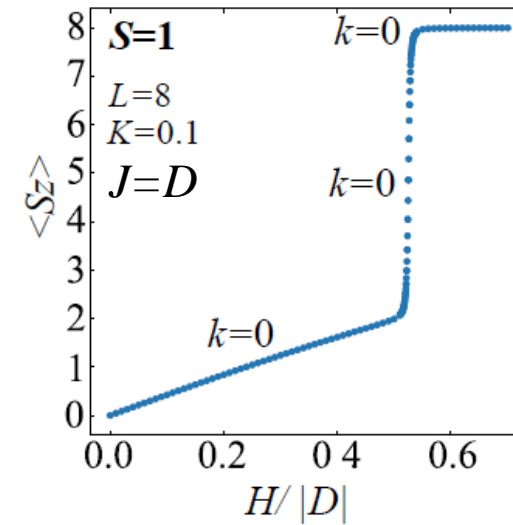


# Numerical Results of Magnetization in finite size system (Exact Diagonalization under PBC)

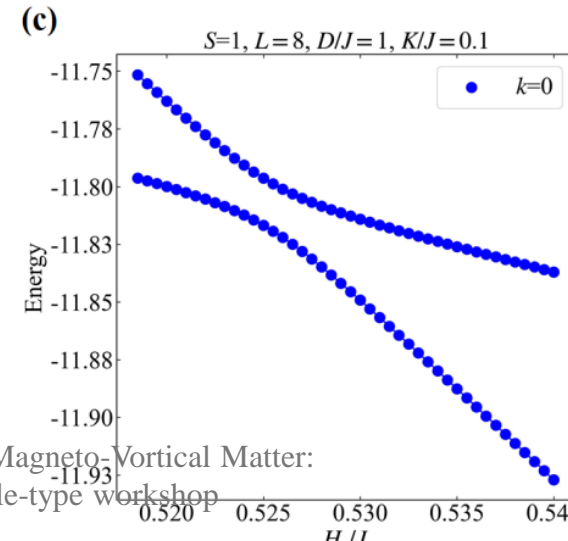
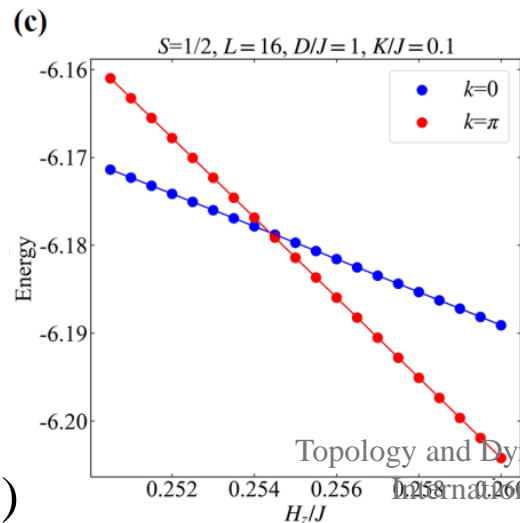
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**Discontinuous  
Magnetization  
=Level-Crossing**



**Continuous  
Magnetization  
=Level-Repulsion**

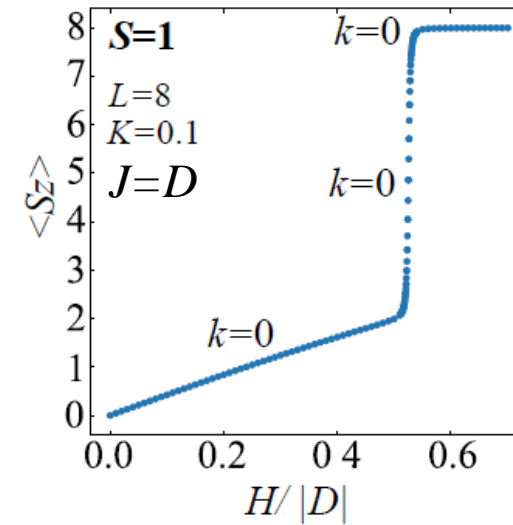
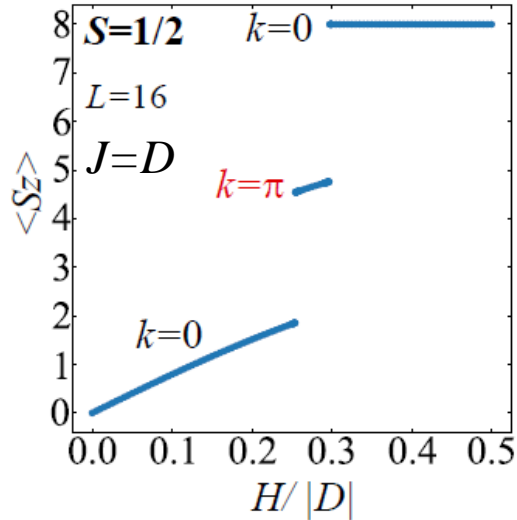


# Issue:

## Understanding of Different behavior in magnetization process between half-Integer and Integer Spins (a “Spin Parity Effect”)

Numerical Diagonalization

Under the periodic boundary condition

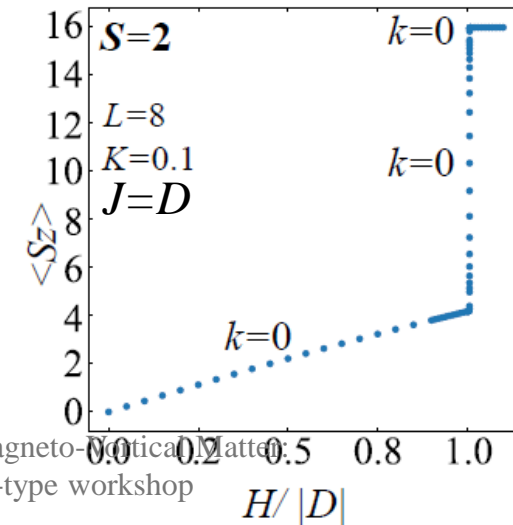
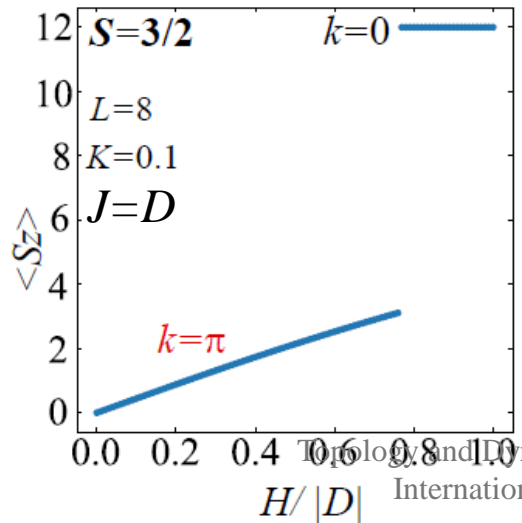


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Kodama et al PRB 2023

**Discontinuous Magnetization = Level-Crossing**



**Continuous Magnetization = Level-Repulsion**

# Earlier Studies = Large $S$ approach

Semiclassical Approach (Spin coherent state and Berry phase argument) for

- Nonchiral nanomagnets (**Braun-Loss 1996 PRB**) :  
solitons (domain wall ) are generated by Ising anisotropy
- 2D chiral magnets (**Takahima-Ishizuka-Balents 2016 PRB**):  
Quantum skyrmion; Review; Ochoa-Tserkovnyak 2019 IJMP

**We seek for a theory valid for small  $S$ .**

Cf : Haldane Gap problem

$O(3)$  Nonlinear Sigma model (large  $S$  + Berry phase )  $\Leftrightarrow$  AKLT model ( $S=1$ )

# $S=1/2$ case

Clue:

Model in the  $J/D \Rightarrow 0$  limit is a **canonical model** to understand spin parity effect in chiral magnet

$$\mathcal{H}_{DH} = \sum_i \left[ D \left( \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \times \hat{\mathbf{S}}_{i+1} \right)^y - H \hat{S}_i^z \right]$$

Number of Solitons becomes a **conserved quantity**. (Next page)

$$\hat{N} = \sum_{i=1}^L \left( \frac{1}{4} - \hat{S}_i^z \hat{S}_{i+1}^z \right)$$

Remark: This is opposite limit to the “solid-state limit” ( $J/D \gg 1$ ).  
However, this limit can be realized in **Rydberg Atoms**(Kunimi’s talk).

**Proposal for realizing quantum spin models with Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction using Rydberg atoms**

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# Conserved Quantity=Soliton Number Operator

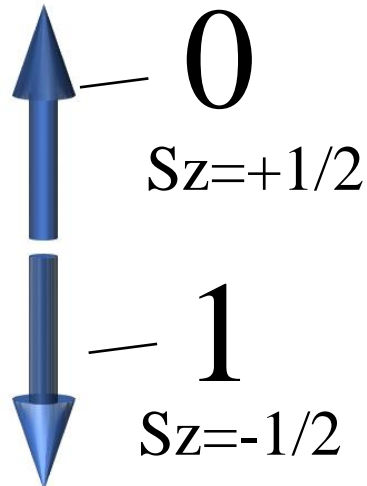
$$\hat{N} = \sum_{i=1}^L \left( \frac{1}{4} - \hat{S}_i^z \hat{S}_{i+1}^z \right)$$

0 for parallel spins “00” or “11”

1/2 for antiparallel spins “01” or “10”

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N} |000\underbrace{1111}_{1/2 + 1/2}100\rangle &= |000\underbrace{11111}_{1}100\rangle, \\ \hat{N} |00\underbrace{11}_{1/2} \underbrace{1001}_{1/2+1/2}110\rangle &= 2|00\underbrace{111}_{1}00\underbrace{110}_{2}\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

## Conventional Basis

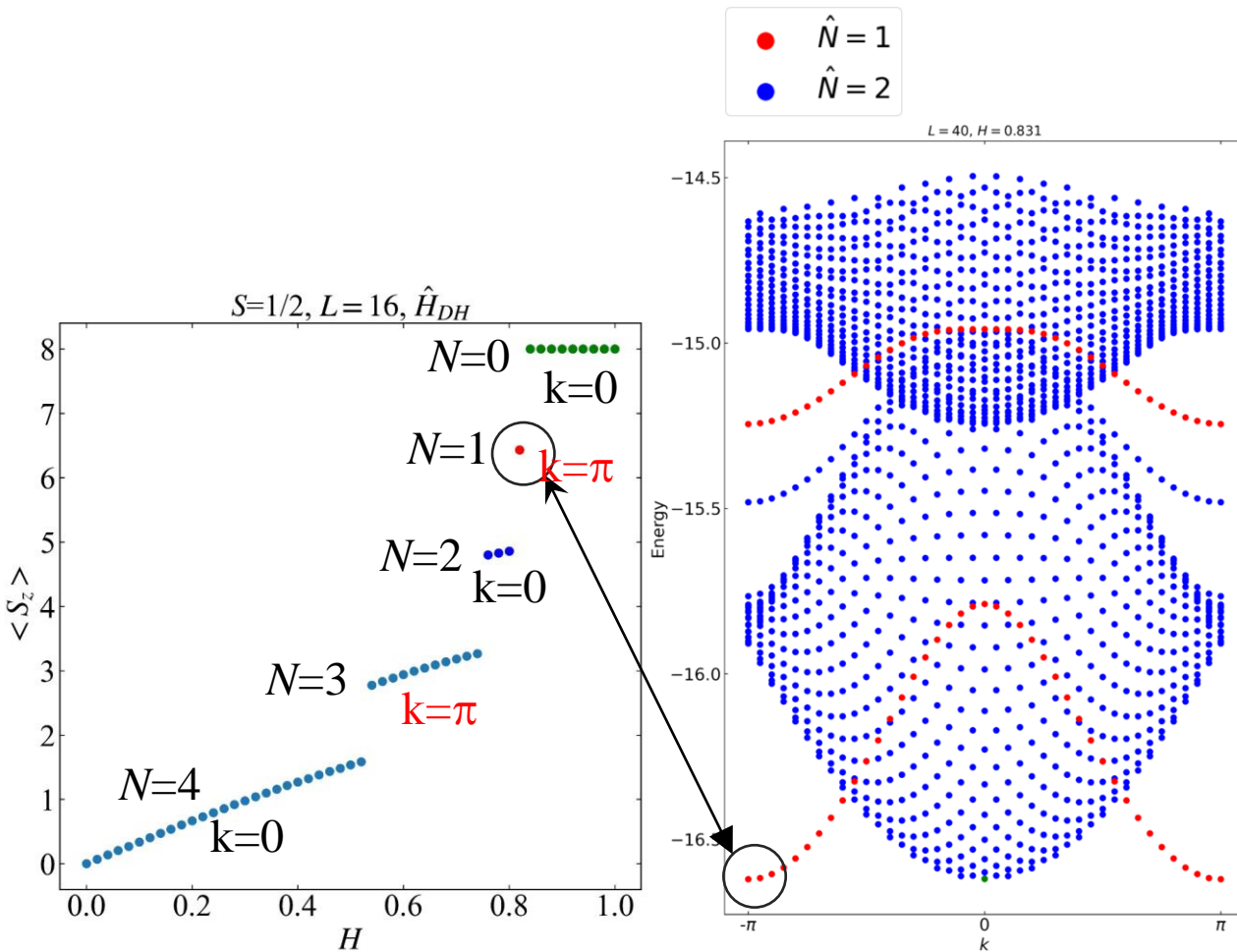


$$|n_1, n_2, \dots, n_L\rangle =: |\mathbf{n}\rangle$$

$$n_i = 0, 1, \dots, 2S \quad (i = 1, \dots, L)$$

$$\hat{S}_{i,z} |\mathbf{n}\rangle = (S - n_i) |\mathbf{n}\rangle$$

# Numerical Results for $H_{DH}$ model (under the PBC)



- **Magnetization/deMagnetization Processes consisting of successive escape/penetration of Solitons,**
- **One-Soliton states ( $N=1$ ) have minimum energy at  $k=\pi$**
- Two-Soliton states ( $N=2$ ) have minimum energy at  $k=0$ ,**

We prove that the ground state has  $k=0$  ( $\pi$ ), when  $N=\text{even}$  ( $\text{odd}$ )

# Four Important Operators in the proof

➤  $N$ : Soliton Number Operator

➤  $T$ : One-site Translation Operator

$$\hat{T}|n_1, \dots, n_L\rangle = |n_L, n_1, \dots, n_{L-1}\rangle$$

➤  $H_{DH}$ : Hamiltonian

➤  $U$ : Sign-Changing Operator (Unitary)

Commuting  
Set

Definition of  $U$

$$\hat{U}|\mathbf{n}\rangle = \underbrace{(-1)^{\delta(\mathbf{n})}}_{\text{Signed Basis}} |\mathbf{n}\rangle$$

**Signed Basis**

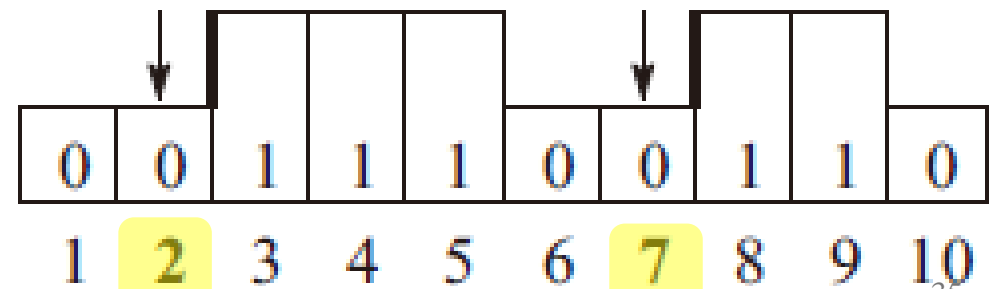
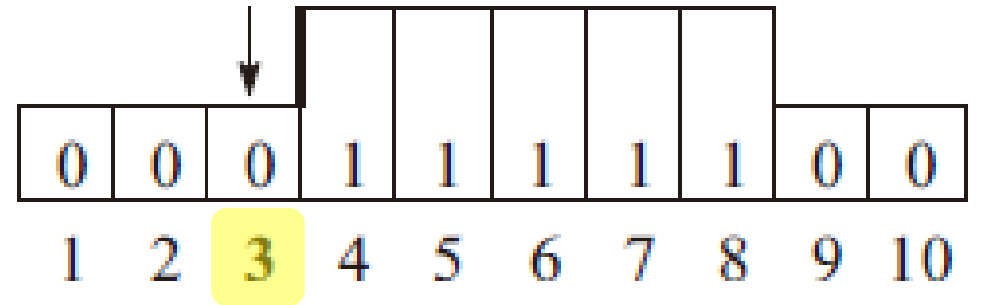
$$|n_1, n_2, \dots, n_L\rangle =: |\mathbf{n}\rangle$$

$\delta(\mathbf{n})$ : sum of the **coordinates** of the left edge of each soliton

$$\delta(\mathbf{n}) = \sum_{i=1}^L i \underbrace{(n_{i+1} - n_i + |n_{i+1} - n_i|) / 2}_{\substack{1 \text{ for } n_i n_{i+1} = \text{“01”} \\ 0 \text{ otherwise}}}$$

Ex.  $(-1)^3 |00\mathbf{0}1111100\rangle \quad (-1)^3$

$(-1)^{2+7} |0\mathbf{0}1110\mathbf{0}110\rangle \quad (-1)^{2+7}$





# $\hat{U}$ : Properties of Sign-Changing Operator (Unitary)

$$[\hat{U}, \hat{N}] = 0$$

$$\langle \mathbf{n} | \hat{U} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{DH} \hat{U} | \mathbf{n} \rangle \leq 0, \quad \text{for } \mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{n}'$$

Off diagonal matrix element is non-positive

$$\hat{U} \hat{T} = \hat{T} \hat{U} \exp \left( i\pi \hat{N} \right)$$

In the eigenspace with  $N$  **even** (**odd**),  $U$  **commutes with T**  
**anticommutes with T**

$$\langle \mathbf{n} | \hat{U} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{DH} \hat{U} | \mathbf{n} \rangle \leq 0, \quad \text{for } \mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{n}'$$

→ The ground state of  $\hat{U} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{DH} \hat{U}$   
has the crystal momentum  $\mathbf{k}=0$  (Theorem. Perron-Frobenius)

$$\hat{U} \hat{T} = \hat{T} \hat{U} \exp(i\pi \hat{N})$$

→ In the eigenspace with  $N$  **even** (**odd**),  
 $U$  **conserves the crystal momentum**  
 $U$  **changes the crystal momentum by  $\pi$**



In the eigenspace with  $N$  **even** (**odd**),

the ground state of  $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{DH}$  has the crystal momentum **0** ( **$\pi$** )

# Higher $S$ cases

# Higher $S$ : Several Soliton Number Operators $\hat{N}_f$ $f (=1, 2, \dots, 2S)$ with amplitude/height $f$

$$|n_1, n_2, \dots, n_L\rangle =: |\mathbf{n}\rangle$$

$$n_i = 0, 1, \dots, 2S \quad (i = 1, \dots, L)$$

$$\hat{S}_{i,z} |\mathbf{n}\rangle = (S - n_i) |\mathbf{n}\rangle$$

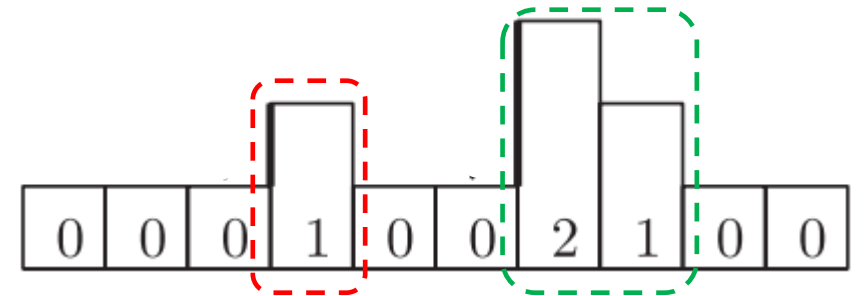
**Ex.  $S=3/2$ ,**

$$|00100000\rangle, \quad (N_1, N_2, N_3) = (1, 0, 0)$$

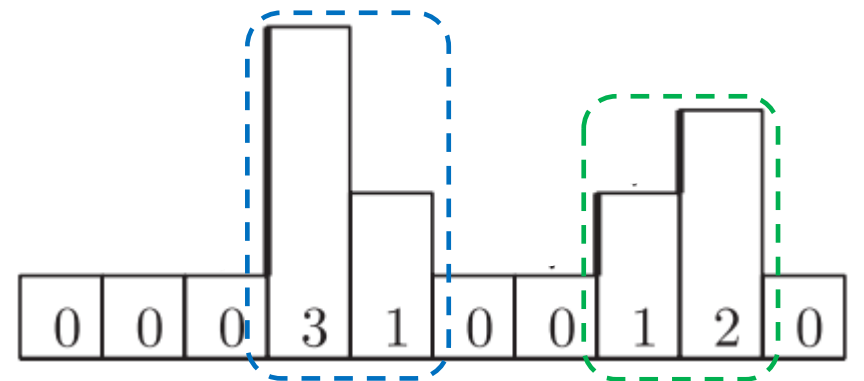
$$|01211000\rangle, \quad (N_1, N_2, N_3) = (0, 1, 0)$$

$$|01123100\rangle, \quad (N_1, N_2, N_3) = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$|01310230\rangle, \quad (N_1, N_2, N_3) = (0, 0, 2)$$



$$(N_1, N_2, N_3) = (1, 1, 0)$$



$$(N_1, N_2, N_3) = (0, 1, 1)$$

# $\hat{U}$ : Sign-Changing Operator (Unitary)

$$\bullet [\hat{U}, \hat{N}_f] = 0$$

$$\bullet \langle \mathbf{n} | \hat{U} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_p \hat{U} | \mathbf{n}' \rangle \leq 0, \quad \text{for } \mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{n}' ; \text{ off diagonal matrix element is non-positive}$$

→ the ground state of  $\hat{U} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_p \hat{U}$  Cf. Perron-Frobenius Theorem  
has crystal momentum  $k=0$

$$\bullet \hat{U} \hat{T} \hat{U} = \pm \hat{T}$$

When  $\sum_{f=1}^{2S} f N_f$  is even (odd), U conserves the crystal momentum (changes the crystal momentum by  $\pi$ )

“Total Height of Solitons”

→ When  $\sum_{f=1}^{2S} f N_f$  is even (odd), the ground state of  $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_p$  has the crystal momentum 0 ( $\pi$ )

# Height Parity Effect $\Rightarrow$ Spin Parity Effect

$\rightarrow$  When  $\sum_{f=1}^{2S} f N_f$  is **even** (**odd**), the ground state of  $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_P$  has the crystal momentum **0** ( **$\pi$** )

The crystal momentum in the ground state is determined by height of soliton as well as soliton numbers (“Height Parity Effect”).

Ex. : Lowest energy state in the one-soliton state

**S=1/2**

**S=1**

**S=3/2**

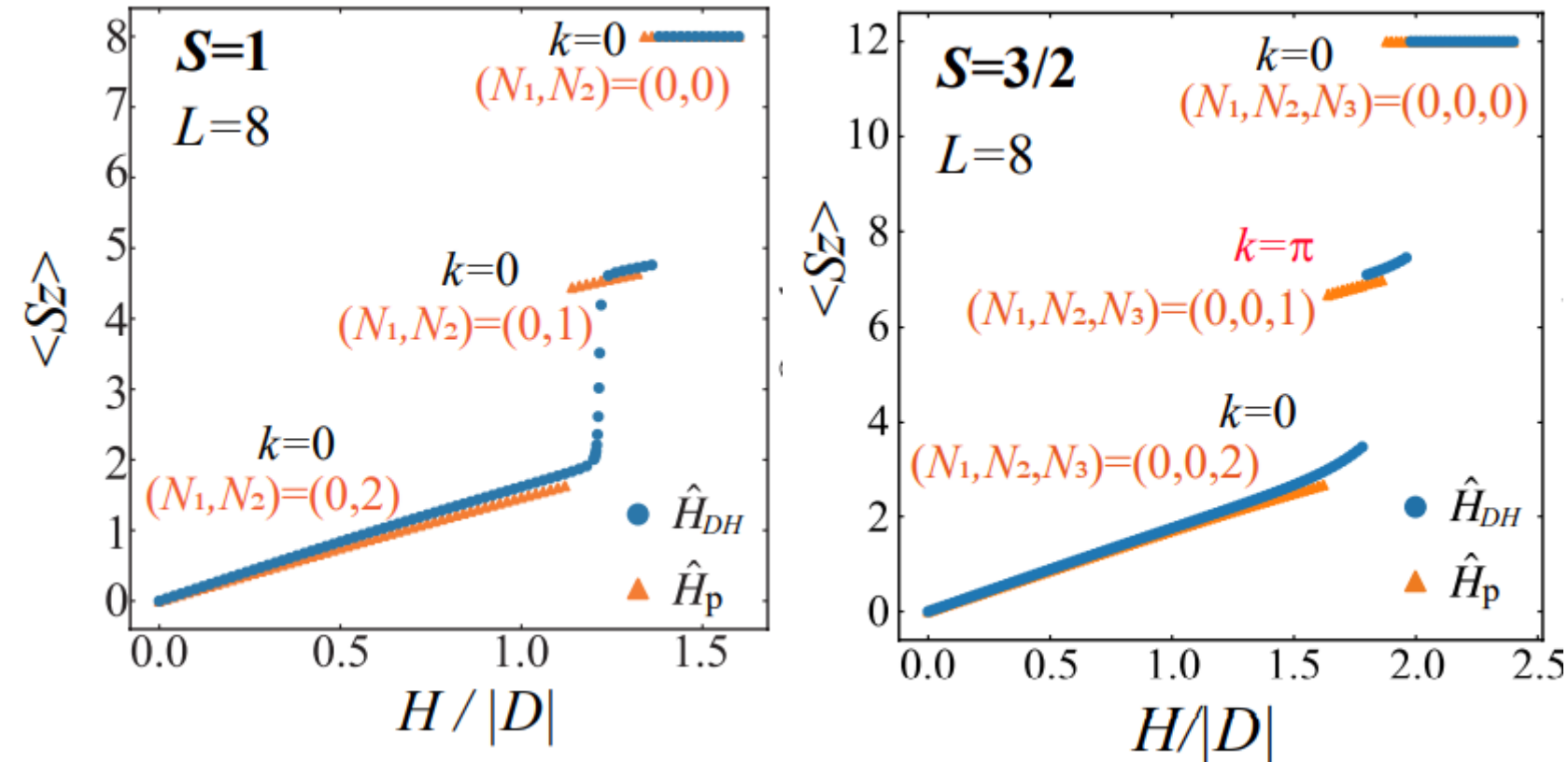
**S=2**

**S=5/2**

f=1	$k_{\min}=\pi$	$k_{\min}=\pi$	$k_{\min}=\pi$	$k_{\min}=\pi$	$k_{\min}=\pi$
f=2		$k_{\min}=0$	$k_{\min}=0$	$k_{\min}=0$	$k_{\min}=0$
f=3			$k_{\min}=\pi$	$k_{\min}=\pi$	$k_{\min}=\pi$
f=4				$k_{\min}=0$	$k_{\min}=0$
f=5					$k_{\min}=\pi$

Only solitons with  $f=2S$  contribute to the ground state  $\Rightarrow$  Spin Parity Effect

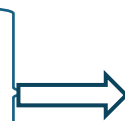
# Height Parity Effect $\Rightarrow$ Spin Parity effect



In the ground states,  
**only solitons with  
 maximum height  $f=2S$   
 contribute.**

“Height parity effect”

Soliton with maximum height contribute



“Spin parity effect”.

# Summary of the second part:

- Different behavior in magnetization process between half-Integer and Integer Spins (a “Spin Parity Effect”) in chiral ferromagnetic spin chain

half-Integer Spin: Level crossing  $\Leftrightarrow$  Integer Spin: Level Repulsion

- **Models in the limit  $D/J \Rightarrow \infty$  are canonical models** to understand Spin parity effect in monoaxial chiral ferromagnetic chain. This limit can be realized in Rydberg atom quantum simulators (Kunimi-Tomita-Katsura-Kato: Phys Rev. A ).
- Essential is “**height parity effect**”, a soliton with odd (even) height  $f$  has the  $k=\pi$  ( $k=0$ ) in the lowest energy state.
- In the low energy sector, only solitons with maximum height  $f=2S$  contribute. It results in the **spin parity effect** in the magnetization process.



# Summary

## I: Introduction to Classical Chiral magnet

- Chiral magnet, Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya Interaction, Chiral Soliton Lattice
- Sine-Gordon Theory of Chiral Soliton Lattice
- Example of Real Material: CrNbS
- Similarity with Chiral Liquid Crystal, Vortex in type II superconductors,
- Hysteresis in Continuous Phase Transition: Common Property between Chiral magnets and Type II Superconductors [Shinozaki et al, 2018](#)

## II: Quantum Spin Chain of monoaxial Chiral magnet

[Kodama et al , 2023](#)

- Numerical Result: Difference between Half integer spin and Integer spin in chiral magnet
- Theory for  $S=1/2$
- Theory for higher Spin "height Parity effect" → "Spin Parity effect"