

# Quantum Hall states for Fractons with conserved dipole moment

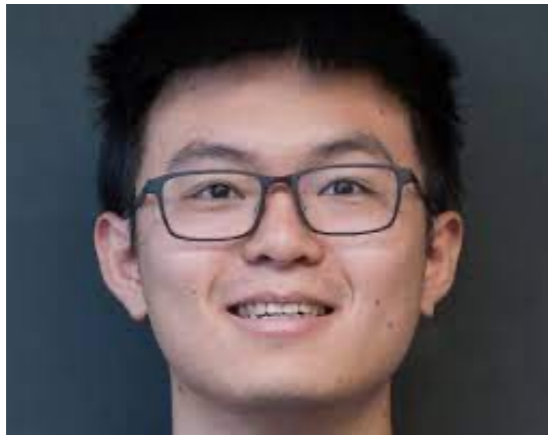
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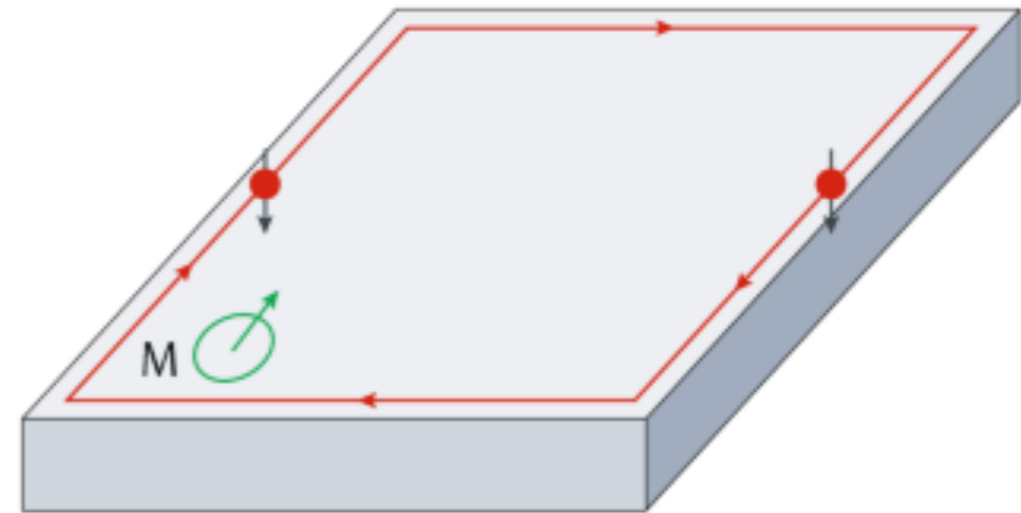
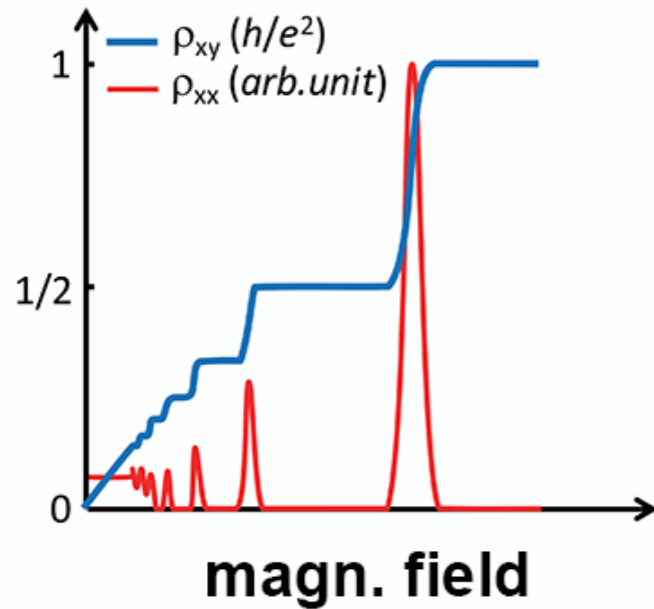


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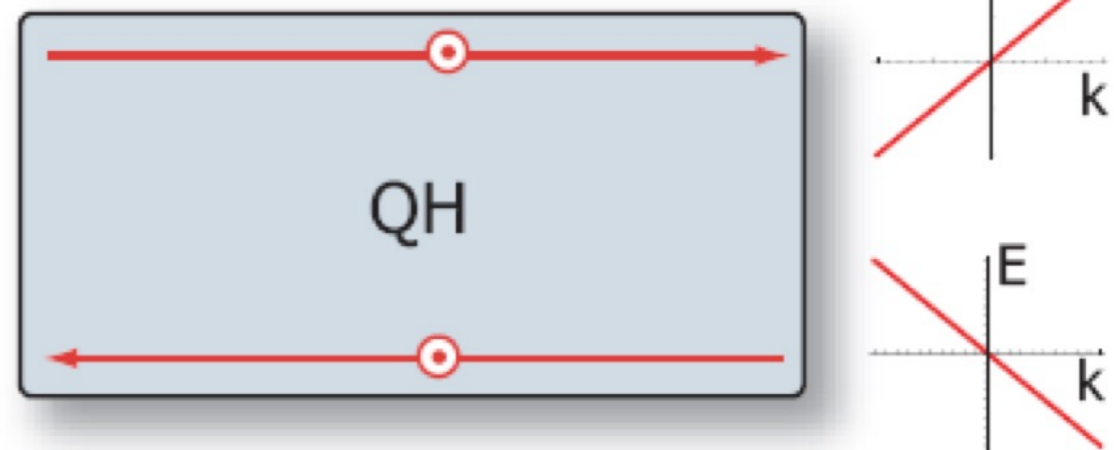
# Quantum Hall Zoology



✓ QHE: charge insulator

Edge  $\rightarrow$  chiral charge current  
 $\rightarrow$  Current anomaly

Chiral gapless Dirac fermions



# Generalization of Quantum Hall states?

## Quantum Hall zoology

- Bulk is incompressible, charge carrier gapped
- Boundary has a certain type of anomaly  $\rightarrow$  gapless
- Quantized EM response

**Today: Generalization to Fracton system**

**$\rightarrow$  With both charge and dipole conservation**

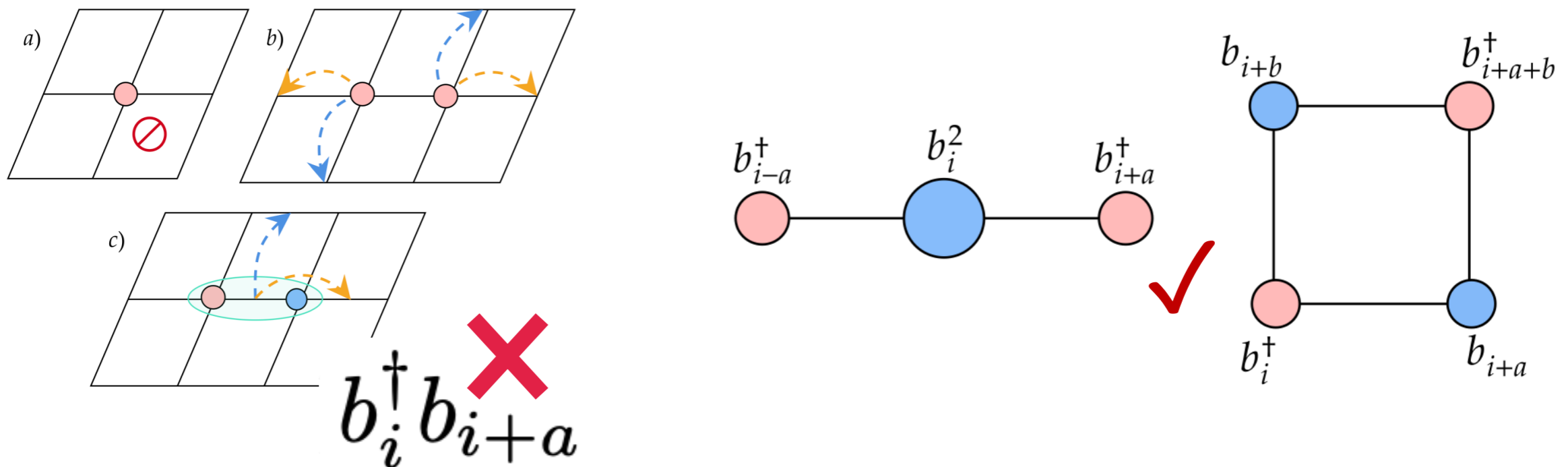
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## Definitions

- Conserved charge  $q$  and dipole moment  $p^x, p^y$

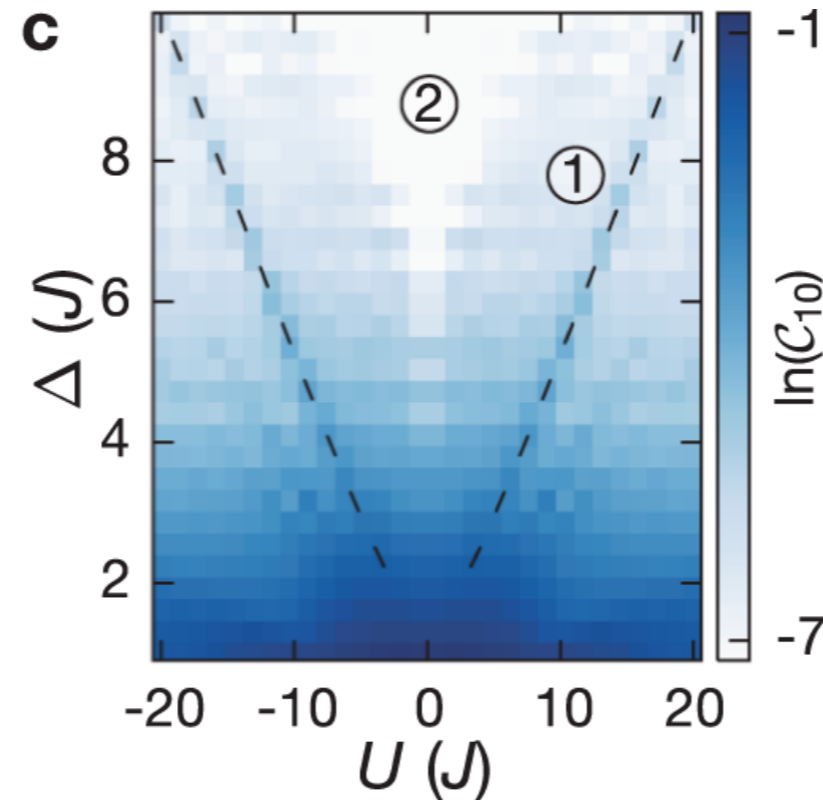
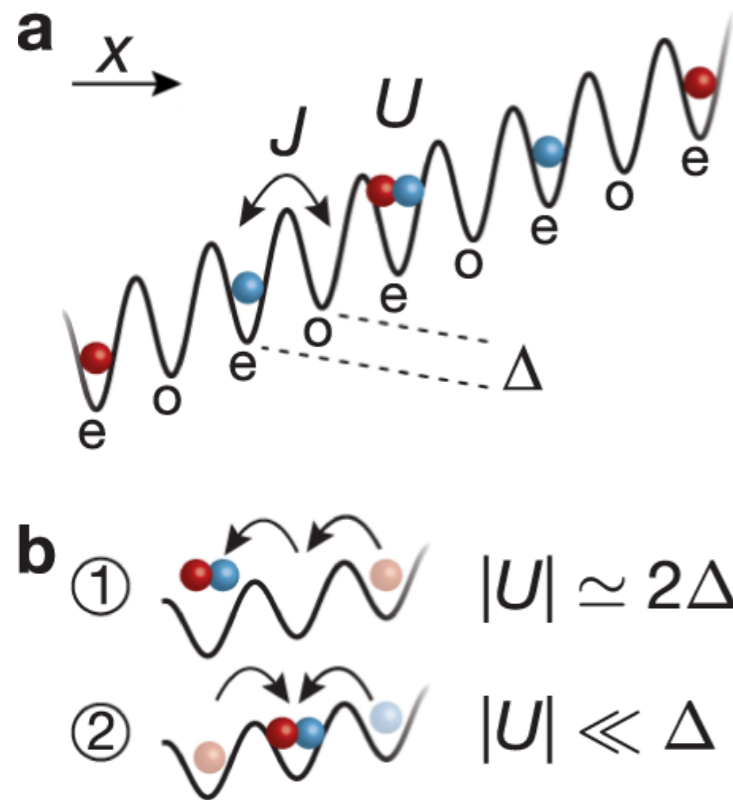
$$p^i = \sum_{x_i} x_i q(x_i)$$

- Give rise to fracton dynamics
- A single charge cannot move



# Dipole U(1) symmetry

## Experimental relevance

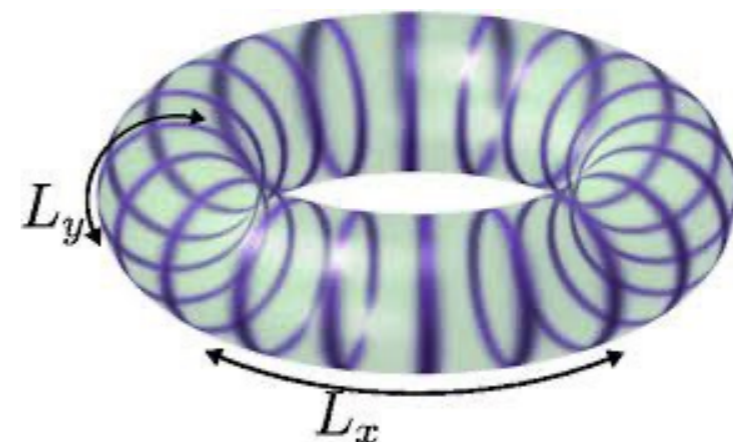


**Tilted Fermi-Hubbard chains with linear potential**

*Aidelsburger, et al., Nature comm*

**Quantum Hall on thin torus in LLL,  
Momentum locked with position:**

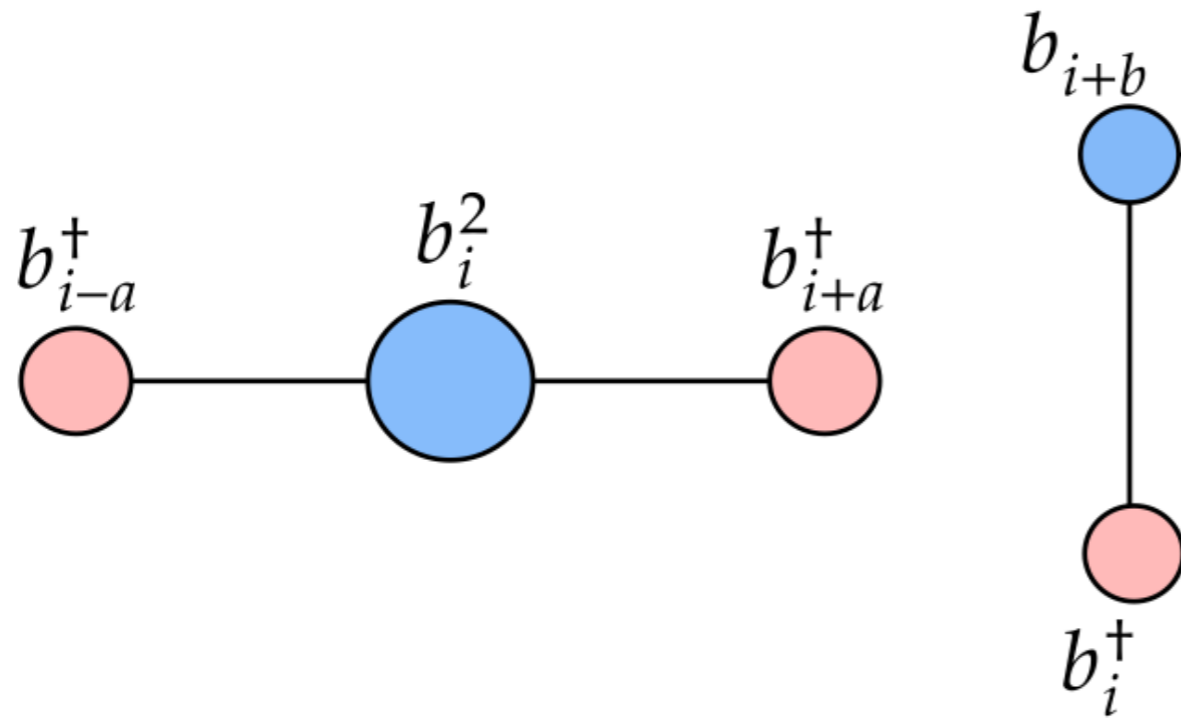
Momentum conservation  $\rightarrow$  dipole moment conservation



# Outline

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- What types of anomalies emerge on the boundary?
- EM response?
- What are the field theories of dipole QHE state?
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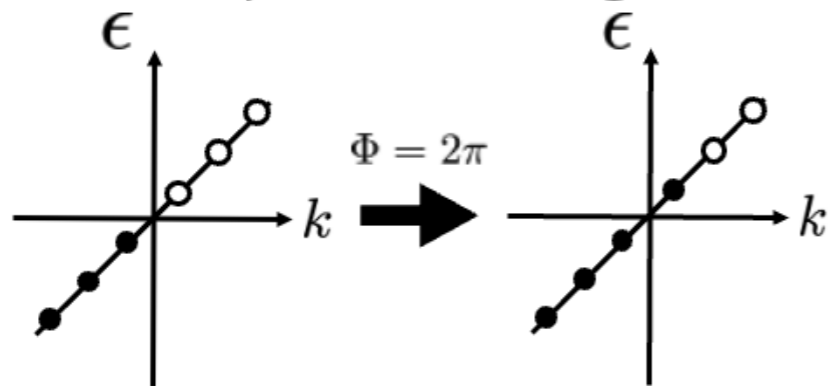
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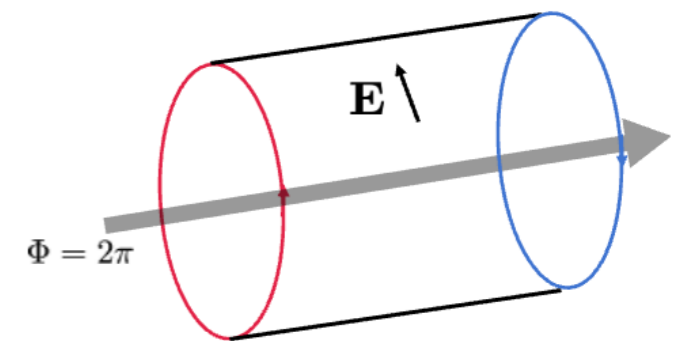
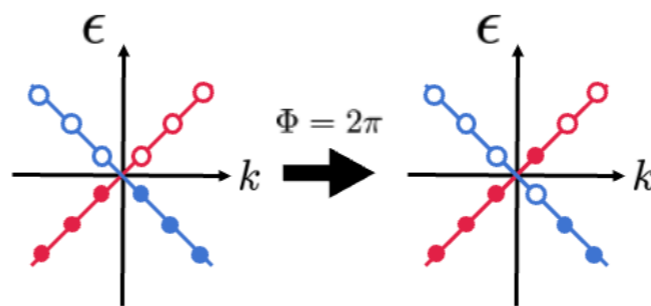
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## Review of QHE

- Anomaly on the edge



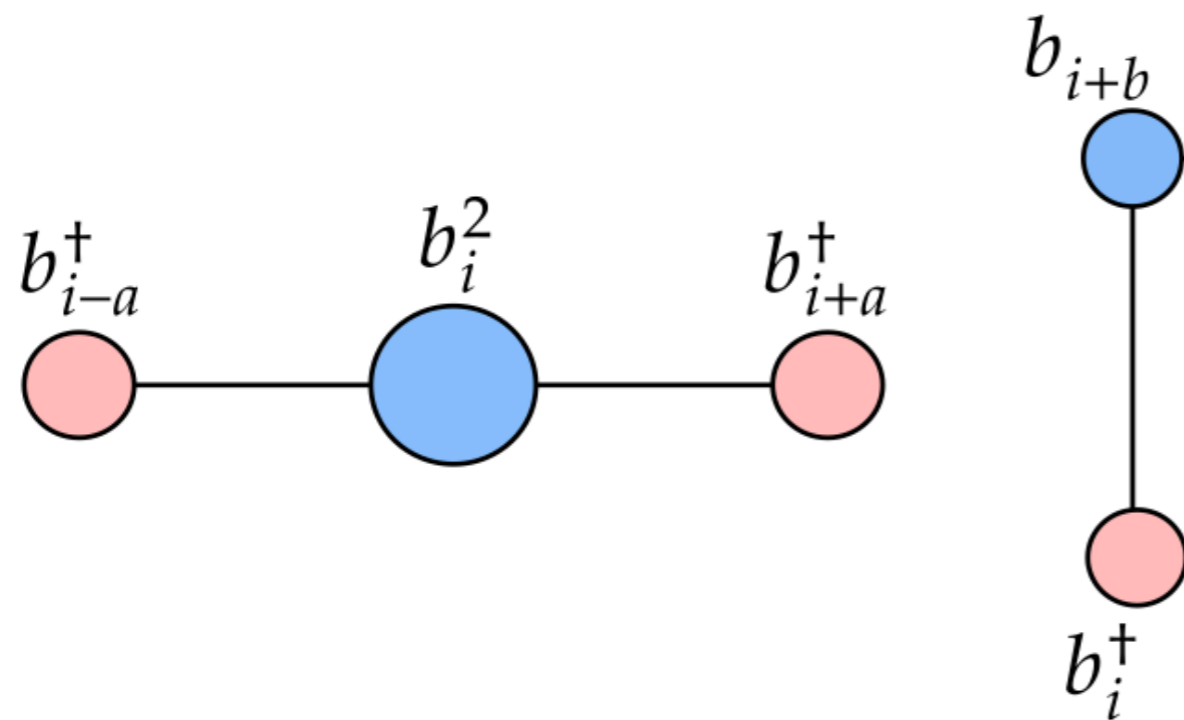
- Combining the two edges



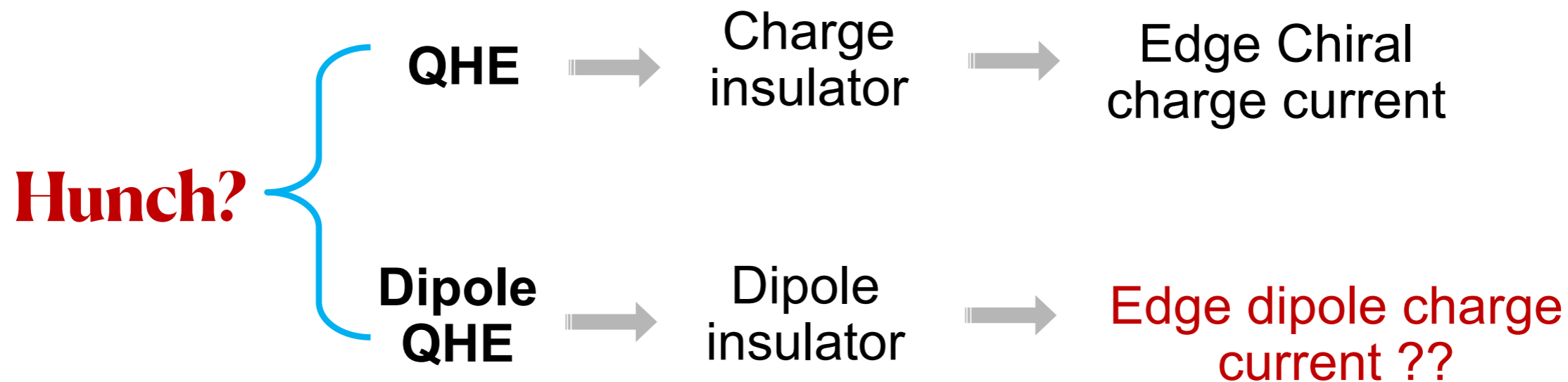
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# Aim: QHE with conserved dipole moment $p^x$



How to imagine 'quantum Hall' state in dipole preserving system?



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**Dipole U(1):**

$$\phi_{L/R}^1(r) \rightarrow \phi_{L/R}^1(r) + x\alpha$$

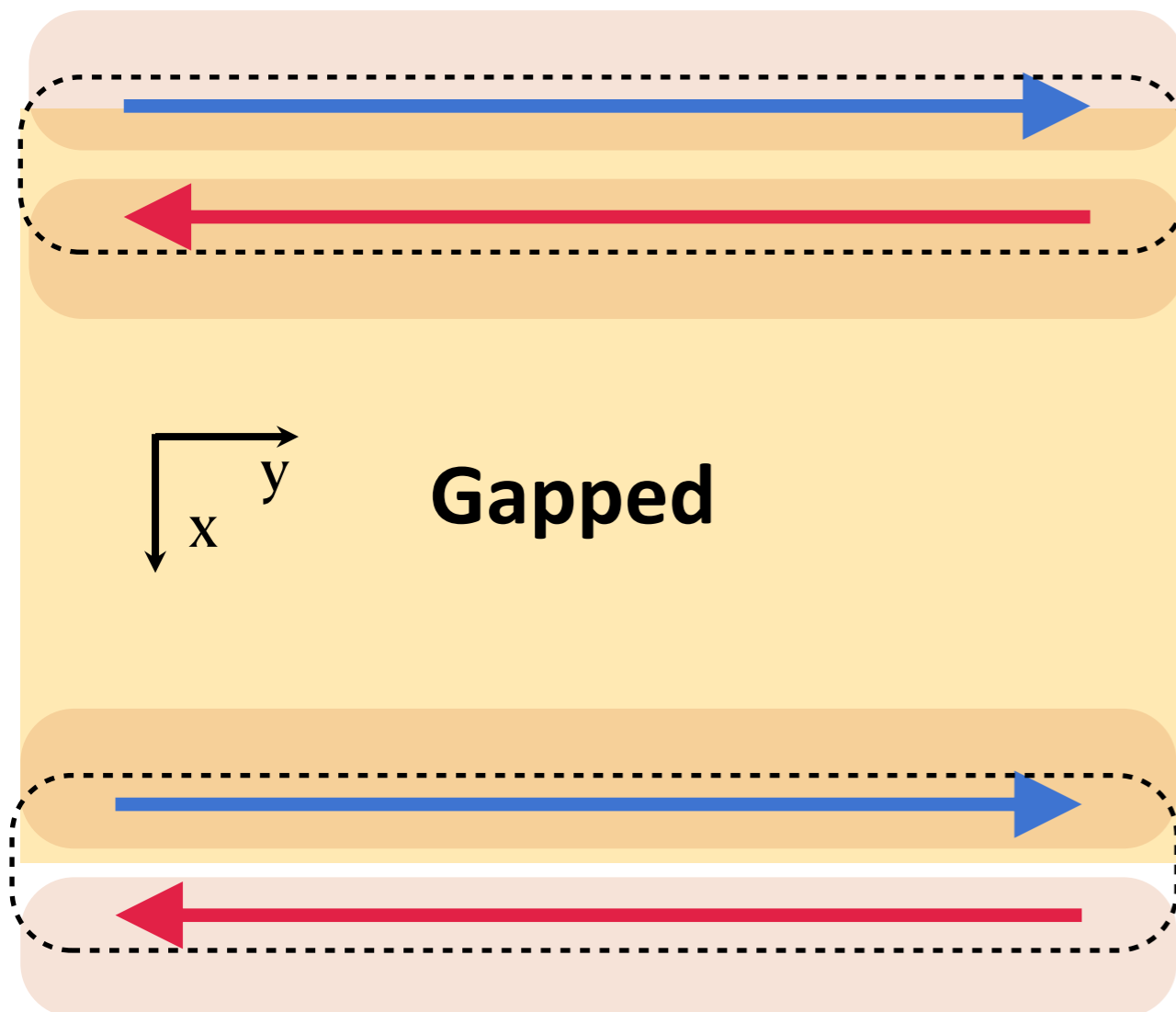
**Consequence of Chiral dipole current**

→ Insert flux

→ charge pattern change

Flux wrt charge

$$U(1) : A_y = \frac{2\pi}{L_y}$$

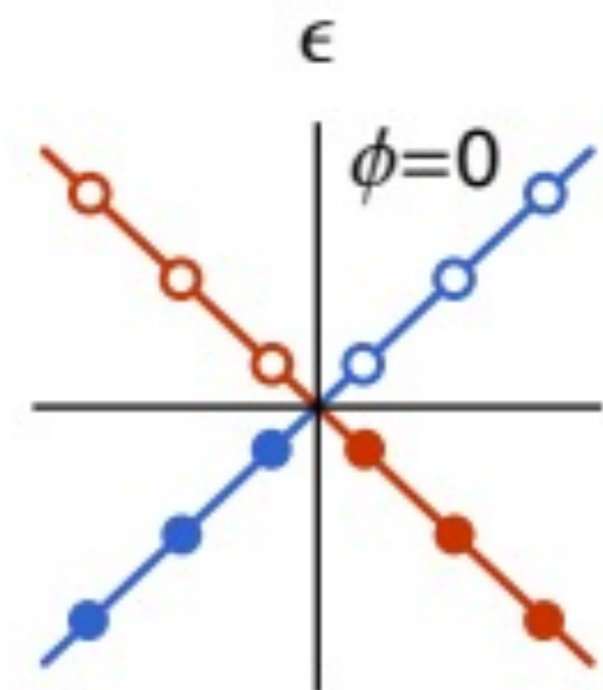


X=1, +e

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X=L-1, +e

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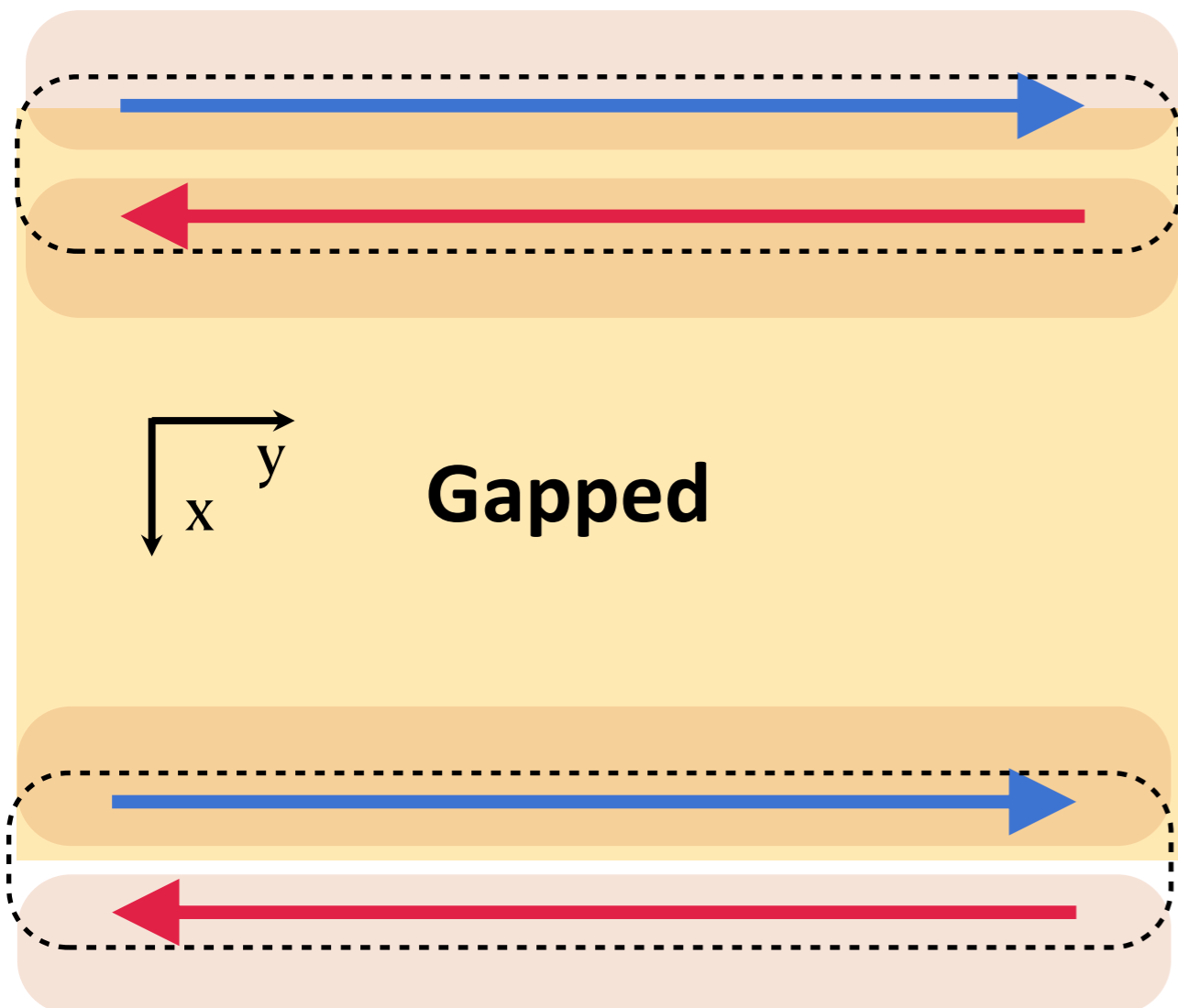
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Flux wrt  
dipole

$$U^{dip}(1) : A_y = \frac{2\pi x}{L_y}$$



$x=1, +e$

$x=2, -2e$

$$\phi_y = 2\pi$$

$$\phi_y = 4\pi$$

...

$x=L-1, +(L-1)e$

$x=L, -Le$

$$\phi_y = 2(L-1)\pi$$

$$\phi_y = 2L\pi$$

# Consequence?

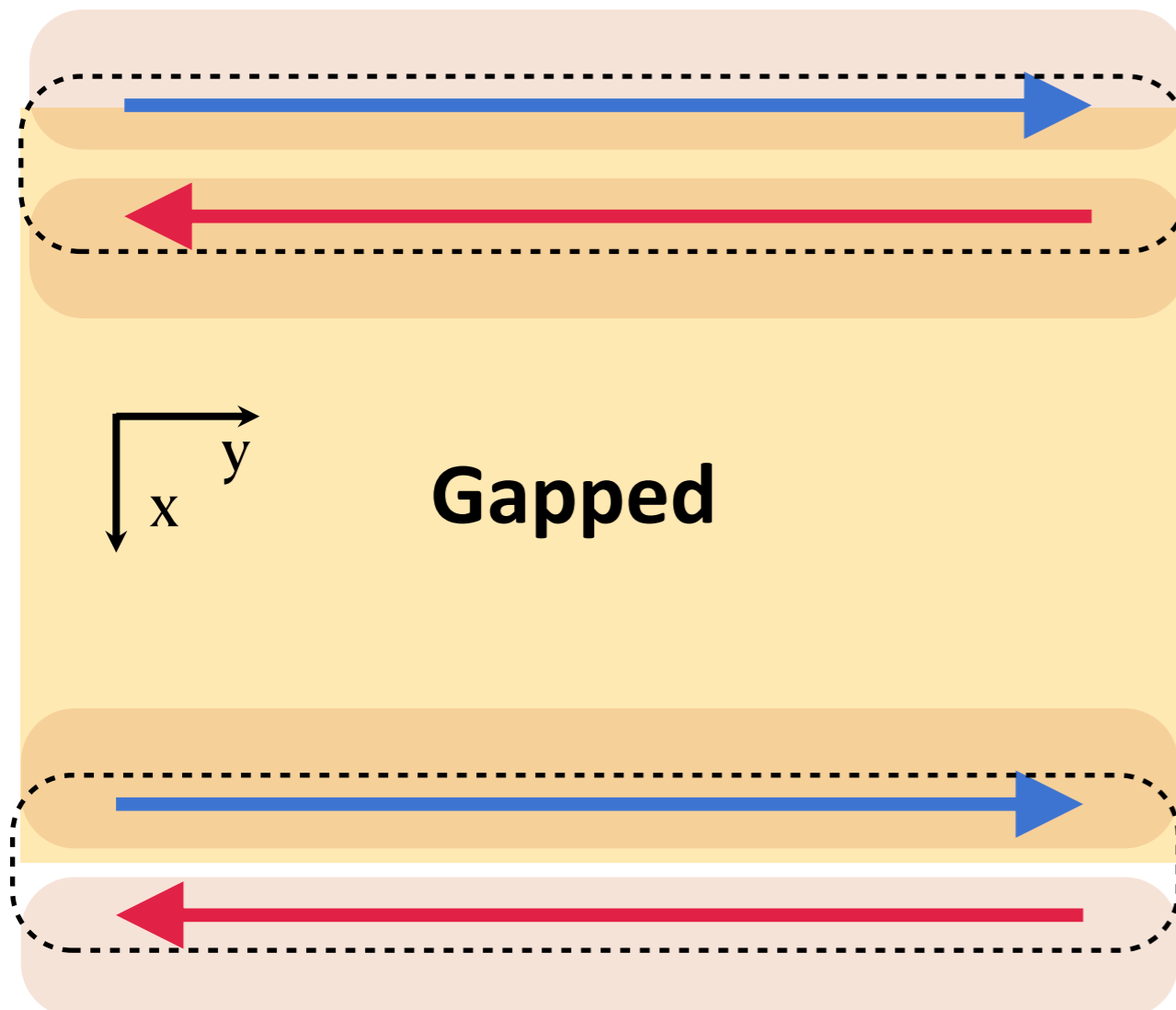
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$$U^{dip}(1) : A_y = \frac{2\pi x}{L_y}$$

Total charge  $\delta q = 0$

Total dipole moment ?

$$\delta p^x = e - 4e + (L - 1)^2 e - L^2 e \neq 0$$



X=1, +e

X=2, -2e

X=L-1, +(L-1)e

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**Anomalous!**

**Cannot exist!**

No go theorem:

No chiral dipole current

for dipole QHE

# Anomaly free

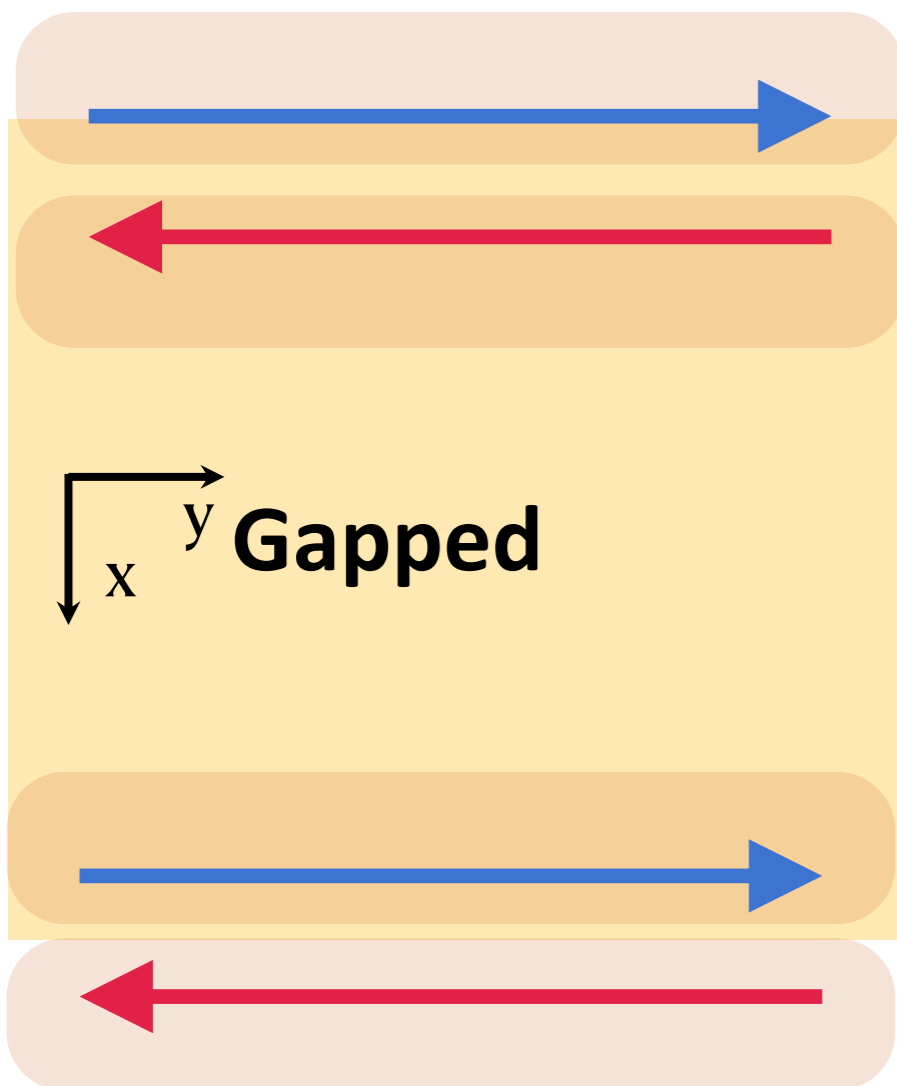
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$$\sum_i m_i = 0$$

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$$\sum_i i m_i = 0$$

$$\sum_i (i)^2 m_i = 0$$



$x=1, m_1$

$x=2, m_2$

... ..

$x=L-1, m_{L-1}$

$x=L, m_L$

Charge invariant  
under dipole flux

Dipole invariant  
under dipole flux

What boundary  
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# What boundary can exist?

$$X=1, c=1$$

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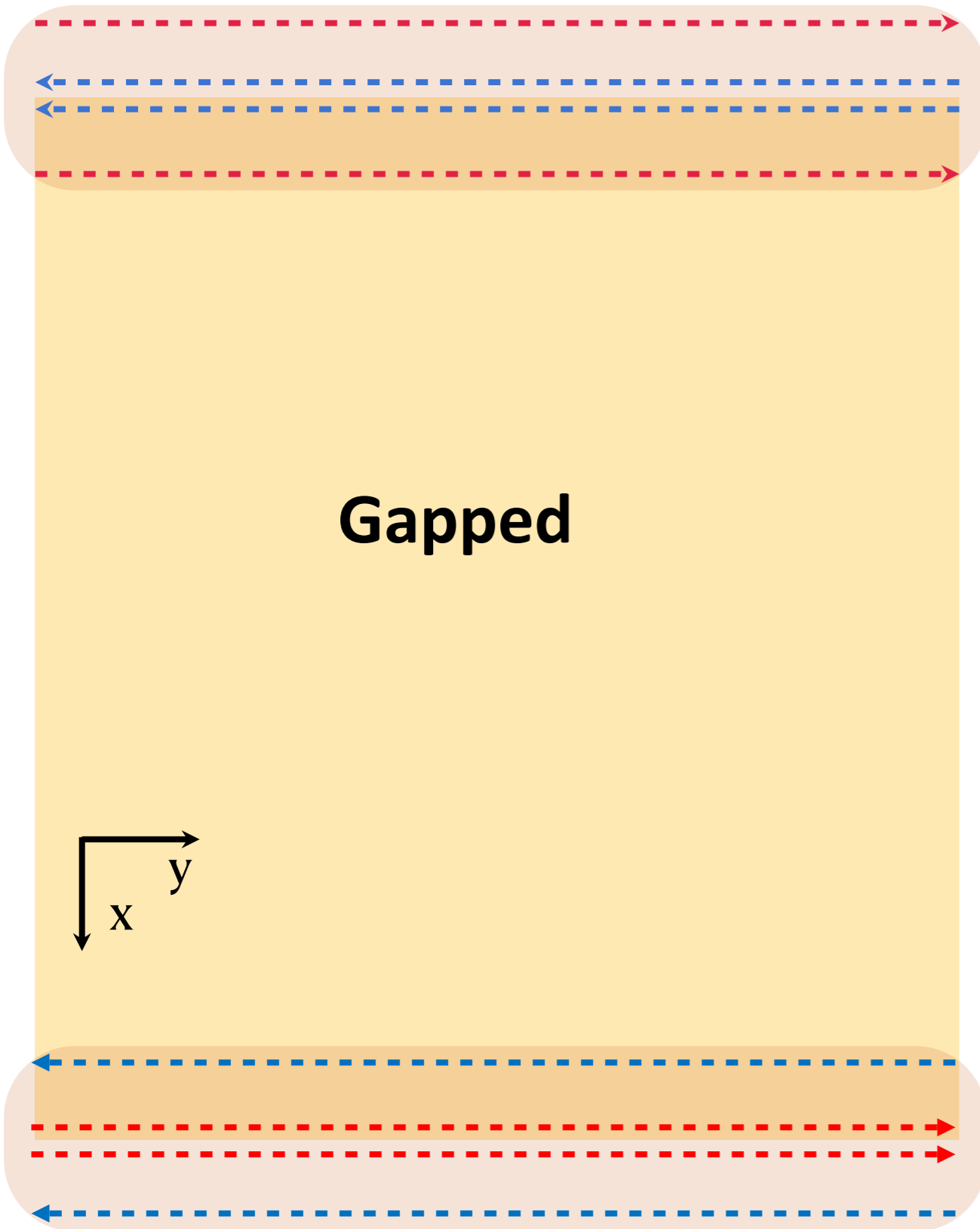
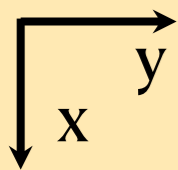


Quadrupole  
Current?

**Gapped**

How to fulfill ?

Coupled wires!

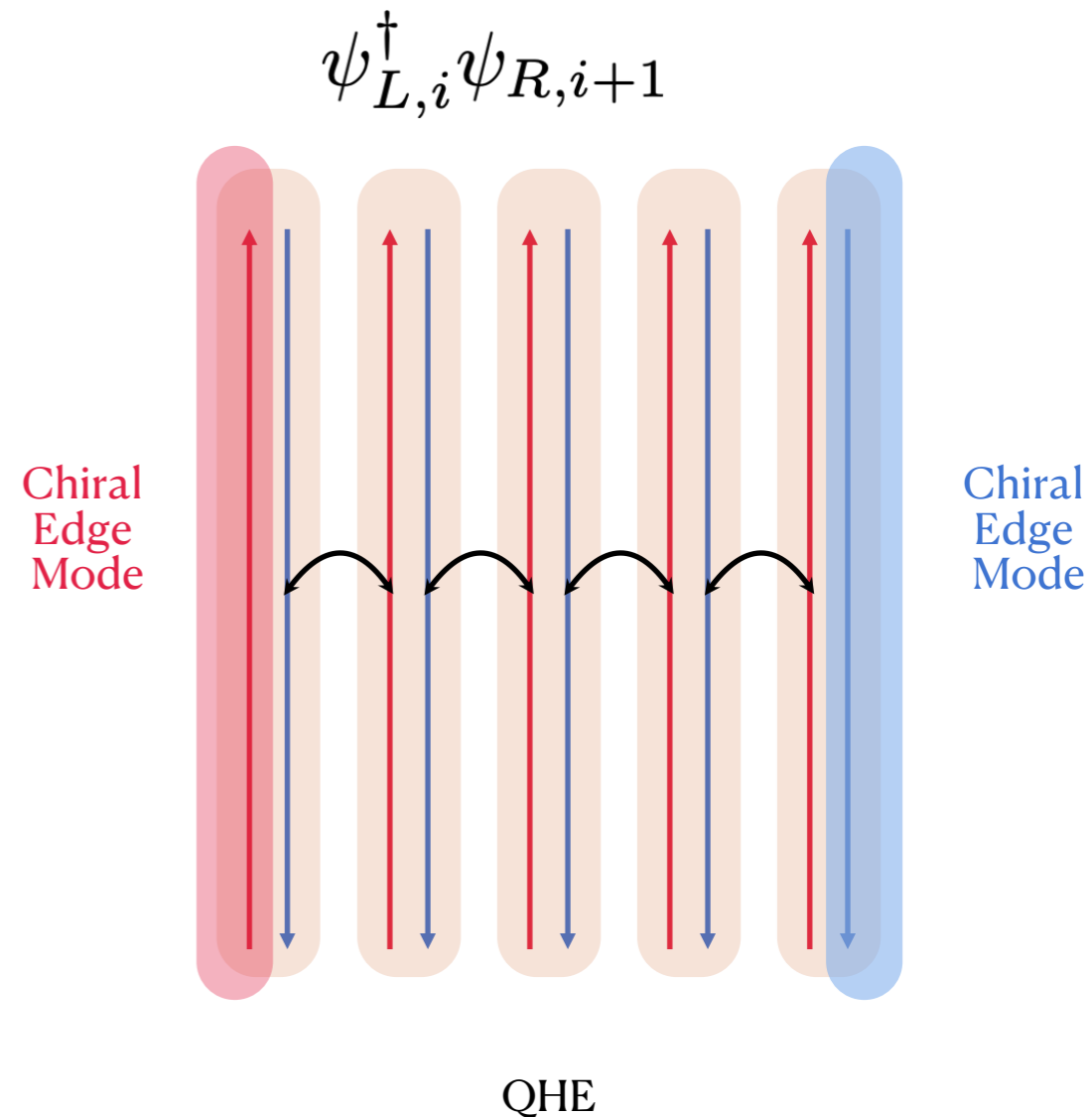
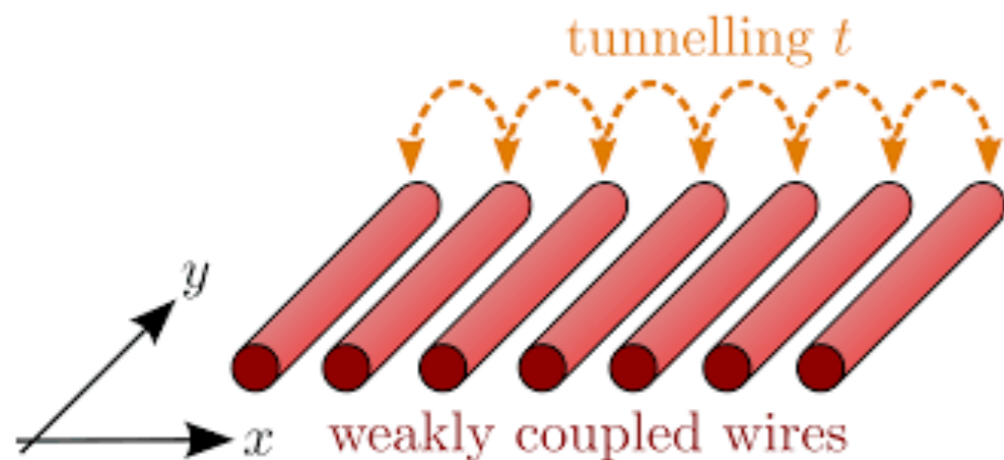


# Review of QHE from coupled wire

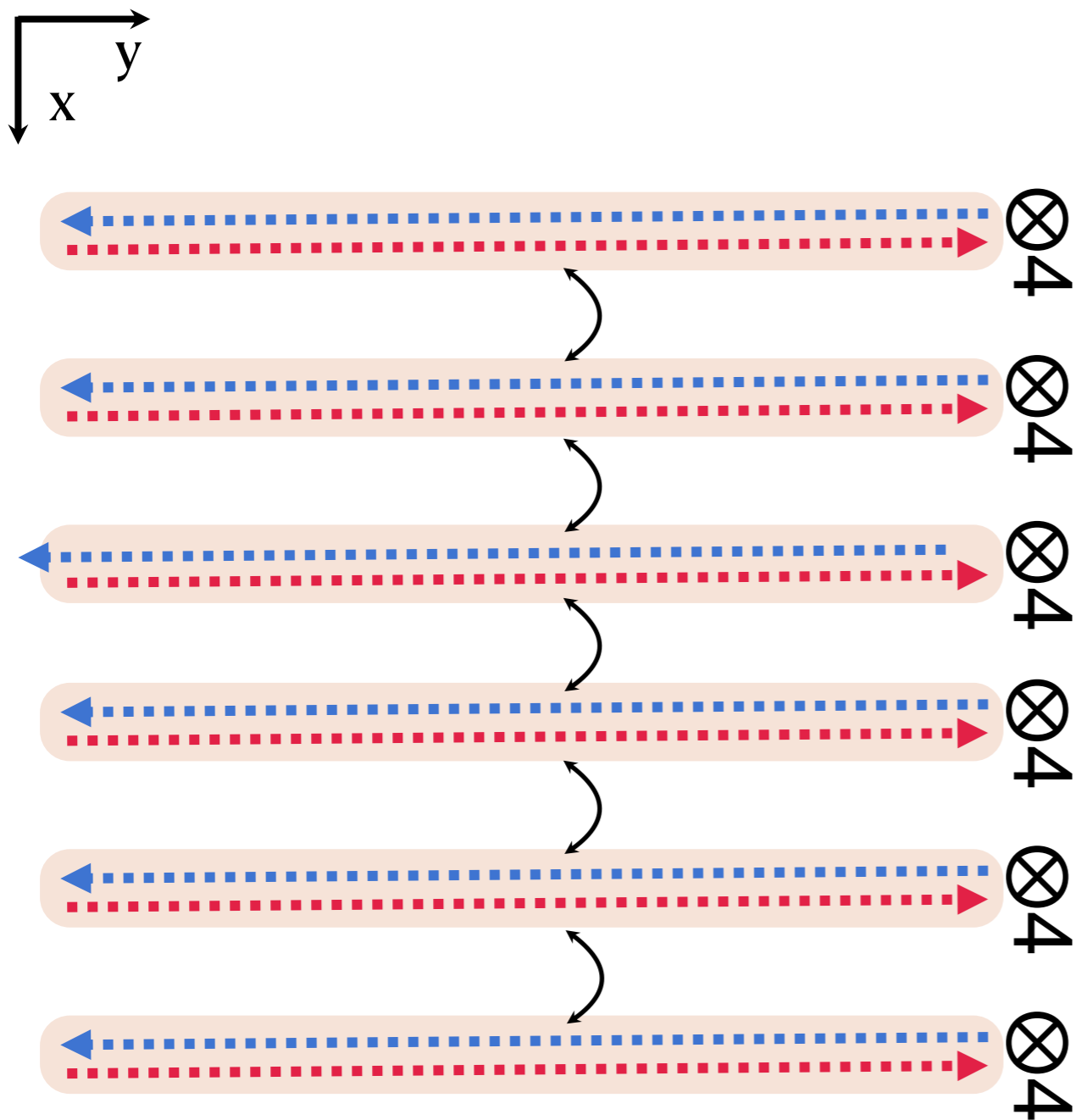
- Wire construction: A popular tool to construct gapped topological phases in  $d > 1$  from 1+1d Luttinger liquid.

*Example: wire construction of 2d QHE*

- Pave Luttinger liquid wires along  $y$
- Inter-wire coupling L/R movers
- Left over chiral fermion on the edge



# Coupled wire setup



$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{wires}} = \sum \psi_r^\dagger i \partial_y \tau^{zz0} \psi_r,$$

$$\psi = (\psi_{L/R}^1, \psi_{L/R}^2, \psi_{L/R}^3, \psi_{L/R}^4).$$

$$\psi_{R/L}^j \sim e^{i\phi_{R/L}^j}$$

$$U^{dip}(1)$$

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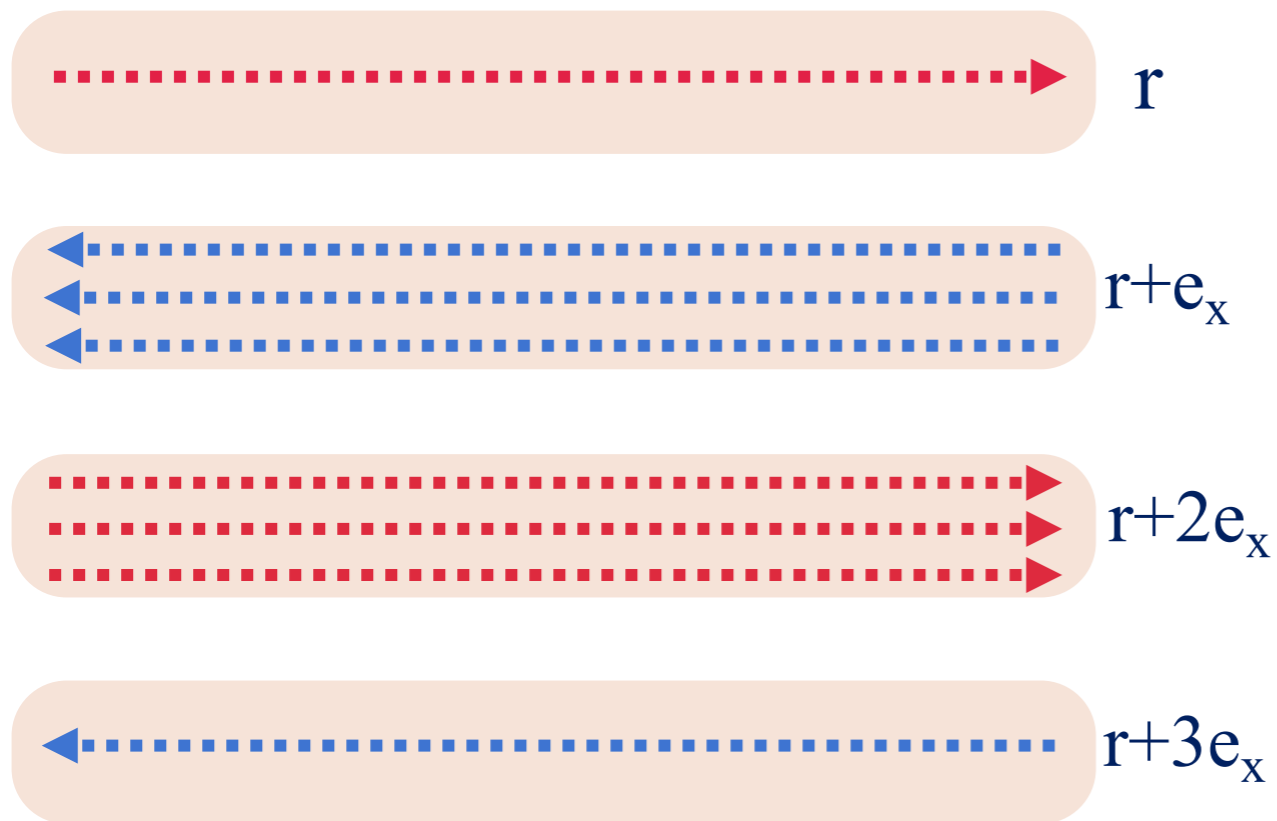
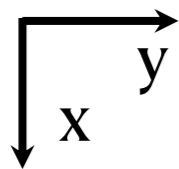


Not allowed by U(1) dipole conservation



# Building block

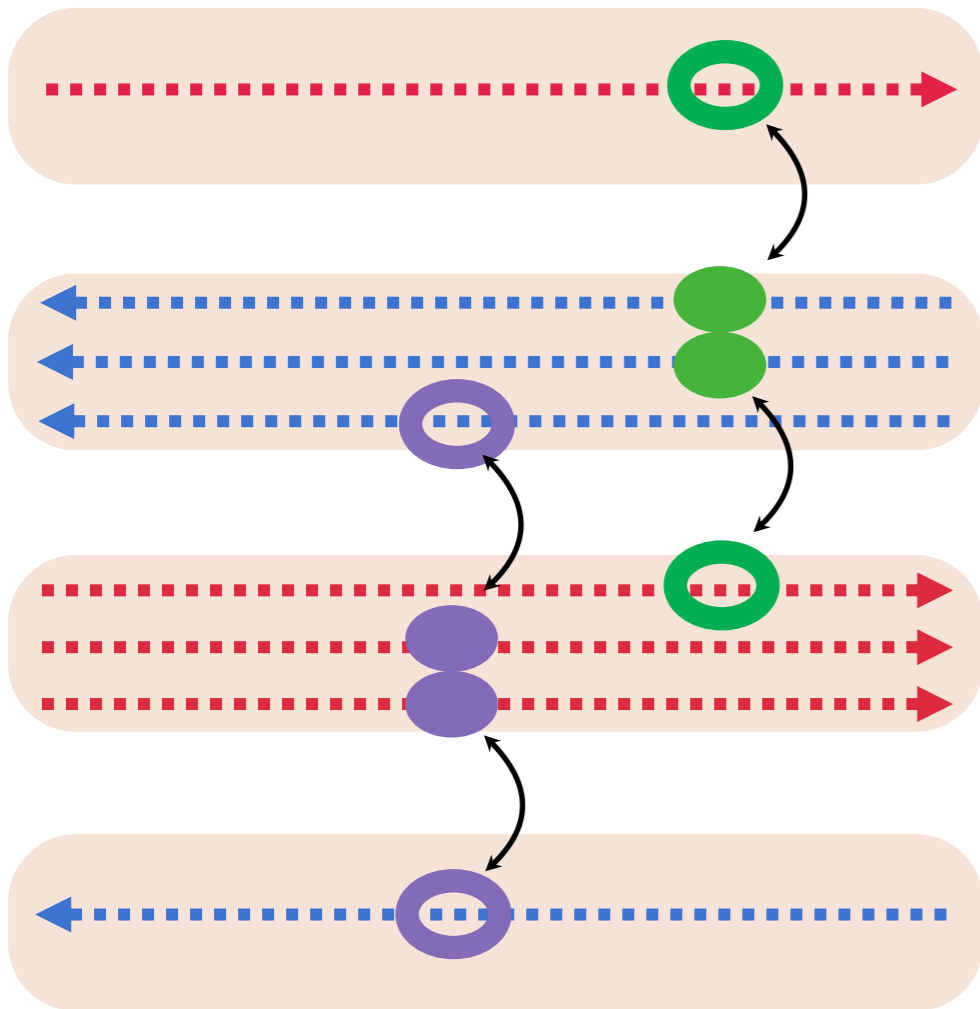
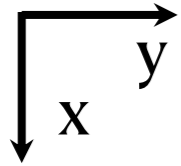
- ✓ building blocks of chiral bosons from 4 rows
- ✓ bulk= translation stacking of building blocks
- ✓ coupling of wire within building block
- ✓ coupling respect charge & dipole symm



	U(1)	U <sup>dip</sup> (1)
$\phi_r$	1	x
$\phi_{r+e_x}$	1	x+1
$\phi_{r+2e_x}$	1	x+2
$\phi_{r+3e_x}$	1	x+3

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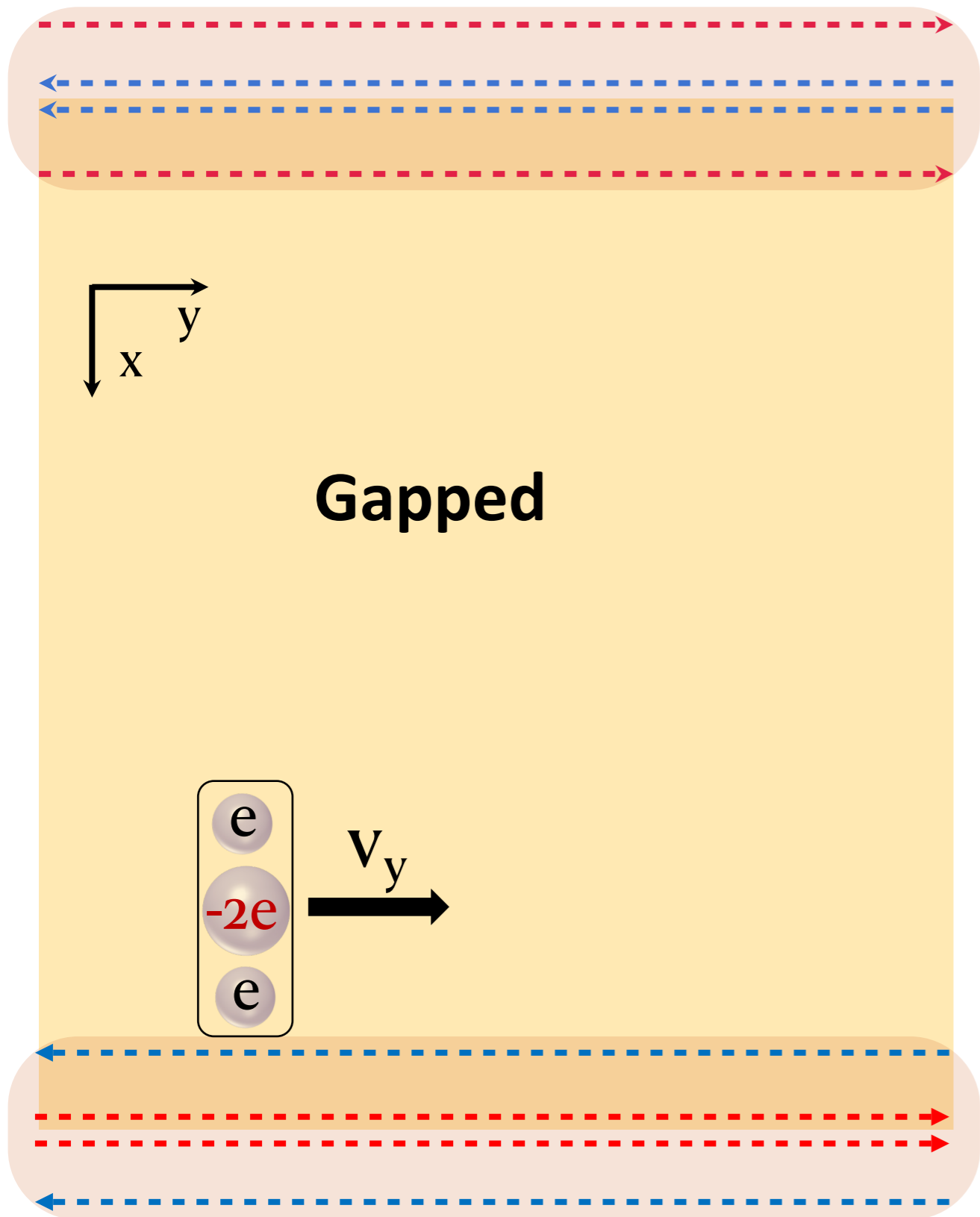
- ✓ building blocks of 4 adjacent wires
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$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_r \left[ -g_1 \cos(-\phi_{L,r}^1 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^2 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^3 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^4) \right. \\ -g_2 \cos(-\phi_{L,r}^1 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^3 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^4 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^2) \\ -g_3 \cos(-\phi_{L,r}^1 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^4 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^2 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^3) \\ -g_4 \cos(\phi_{R,r+3e_x}^1 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^2 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^3 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^4) \\ -g_5 \cos(\phi_{R,r+3e_x}^1 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^3 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^4 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^2) \\ \left. -g_6 \cos(\phi_{R,r+3e_x}^1 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^4 - \phi_{L,r+2e_x}^2 + \phi_{R,r+e_x}^3) \right],$$

Four independent mass terms, fully gapped out

# Boundary modes



$$X=1, c=1$$

$$X=2, c=-2$$

$$X=3, c=1$$



Quadrupole  
Current?

$$U(1) : A_y = \frac{2\pi}{L_y}, \quad U^{dip}(1) : A_y = \frac{2\pi x}{L_y}.$$

✓ anomaly under  $U^{dip}(1)$

Edge Dipole moment change under  $U^{dip}(1)$  flux insertion

✓ Both edge has chiral quadrupole current

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_y(\partial_x^2 \phi) \partial_t \phi + K(\partial_y \partial_x \phi)^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{y=L} = \partial_t \partial_x^2 \Phi \partial_x \Phi + K(\partial_x^2 \Phi)^2$$

# Classification = **Edge Anomaly**

$$U(1) : A_y = \frac{2\pi}{L_y}$$



$$\sum_i m_i \neq 0$$

Shift of boundary charge under flux  
Self anomaly

$$U^{dip}(1) : A_y = \frac{2\pi x}{L_y}$$

$$\sum_i i m_i \neq 0$$

Shift of boundary charge under dipole flux, mixing anomaly

$$\sum_i (i)^2 m_i \neq 0$$

Shift of edge Dipole under dipole flux, Self anomaly

	U(1)	$U^{dip}(1)$	Mixing
Phase 1		✓	
Phase 2		✓	✓
Phase 3	✓	✓	✓

# Take home message

- Quantum Hall states in with dipole conservation

Boundary~ **chiral quadrupole current**

- No-go theorem: No chiral dipole current for dipole QHE

→ **No chiral N-pole current for N-pole QHE**

→ **chiral  $N^2$ -pole current for N-pole QHE**

- Generalization to fractionalized case : coupled fractional Luttinger liquids

- Other Generalization

✓ 3D    ✓ TSC

# 3d FQHE for Fracton

## with subsystem charge conserved on planes

- The side surfaces of the system are gapped.

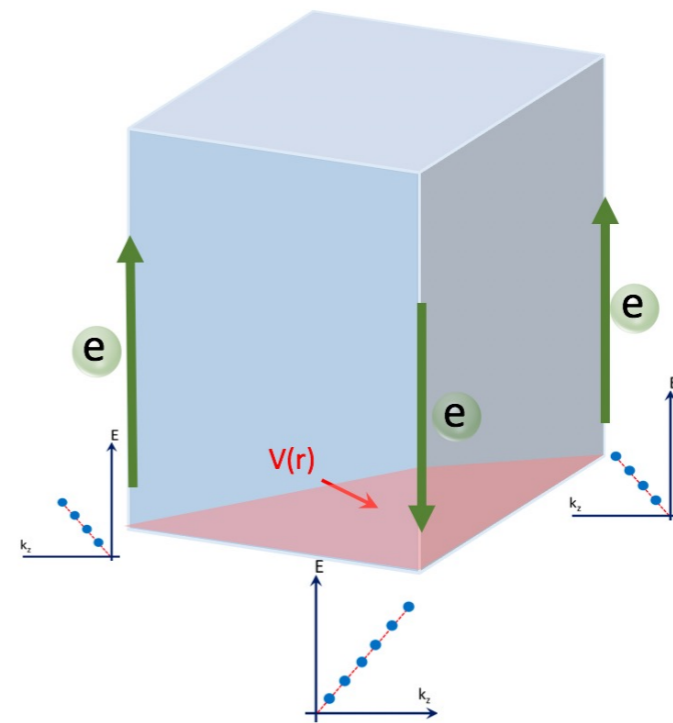
However, on the hinge, there are gapless hinge modes.

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- The side surface are gapless, subsystem  $U(1)$  anomaly

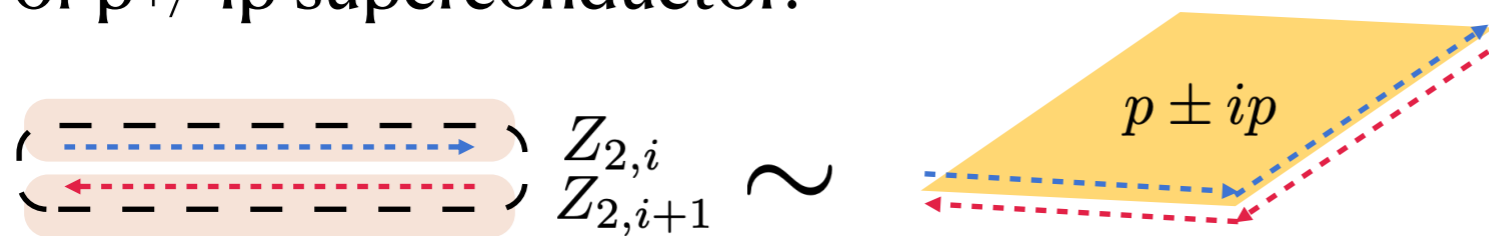
Sullivan, Iadecola, Williamson, PRB (2021)  
Sullivan, Dua and Cheng, PRR (2021)

Chiral modes along the z-hinges



# 2d TSC with subsystem $Z_2$ symmetry

- Majorana wire construction
- Intersection modes are mapped to the boundary of  $p+/-ip$  superconductor.

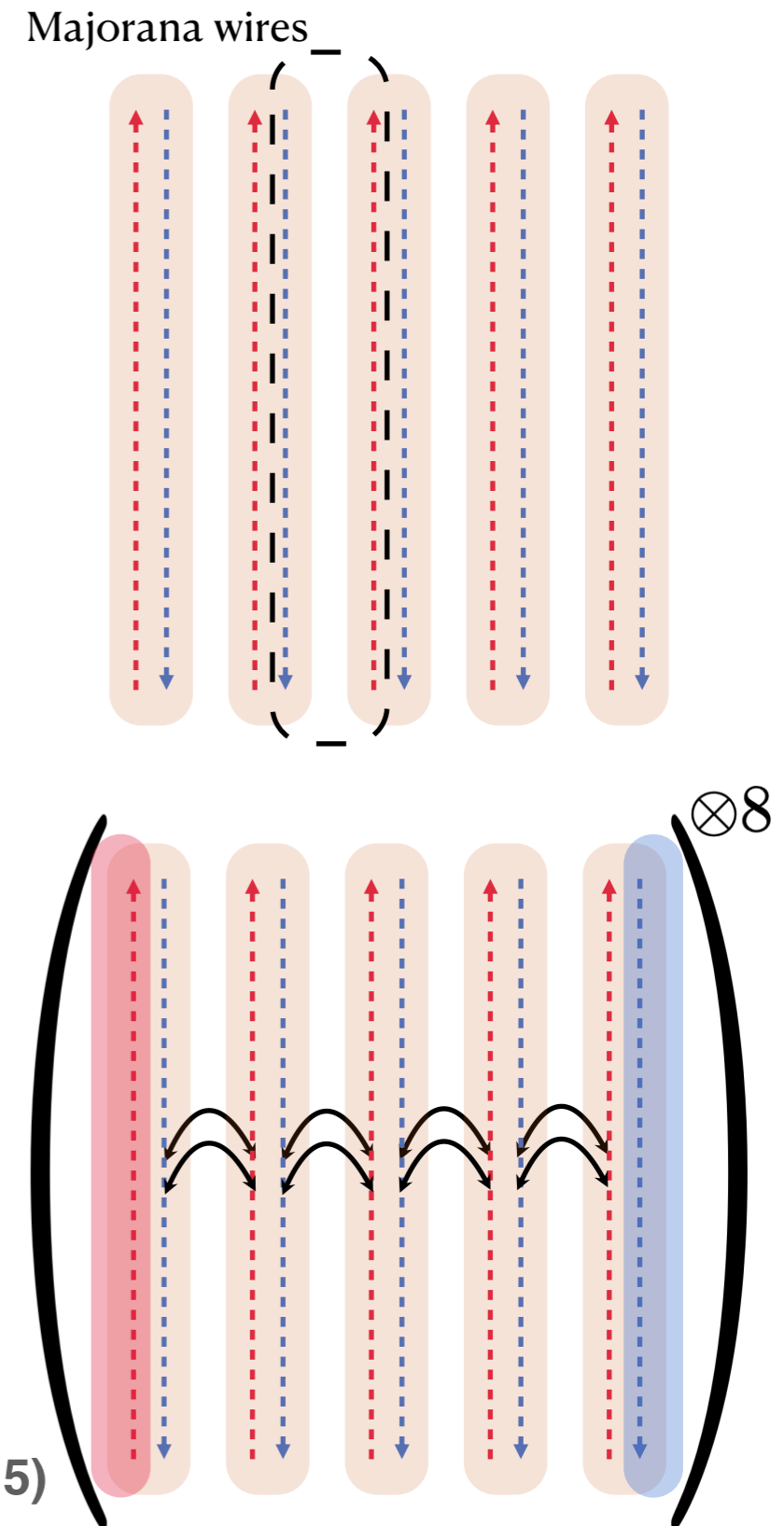


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- Interacting fermion SPT classification tells us **8** copies of  $(p+/-ip)$  SC is trivial — the edge could be gapped by interaction.

- Edge chiral central charge  $c_- = 4$

Fidkowski, Kitaev, PRB (2009)  
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# Open questions?

- EFT for these FQH states. Higher-rank symmetric tensor gauge fields?

UV-IR mixing: GSD depend on system size!

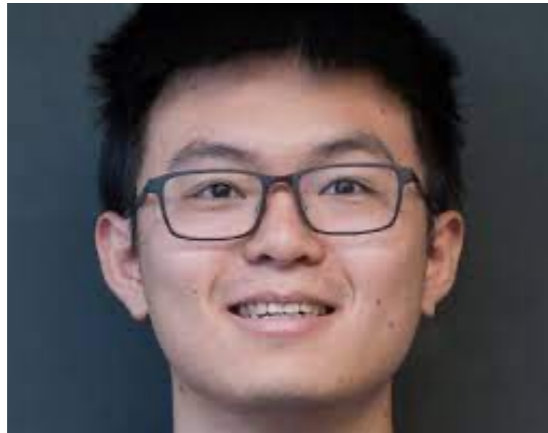
- The interplay between spatial symmetry with charge multipole symmetry?

Dislocation, disclination carries additional zero mode, projective non-Abelian defects.

- Anyon condensation web: Normal QHE  $\rightarrow$  QHE for fracton



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# Questions?

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## How to construct?

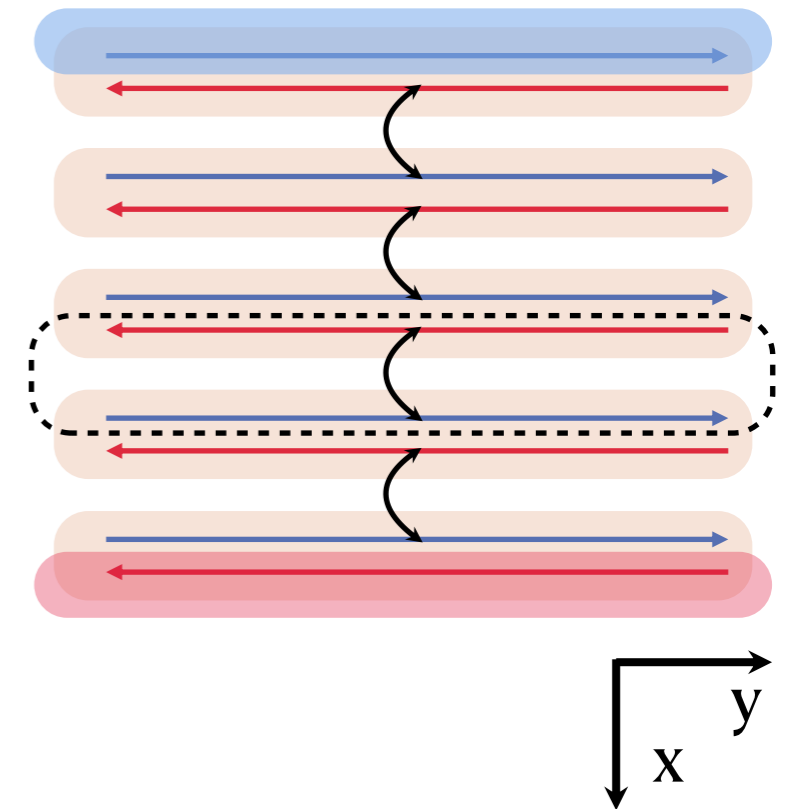
- Wire construction
- Pave wires of Luttinger liquid along y

$$\psi_{L,i}^\dagger \psi_{R,i+1} \quad \times$$

Not allowed, breaks dipole moment  $p^x$  conservation

- Interacting terms, no band theory limit

$$\psi_{L,i}^\dagger \psi_{R,i+1} \psi_{R,i+2} \psi_{L,i+3}^\dagger$$



**Hunch?**

**QHE**



Charge insulator



Edge Chiral charge current

**Dipole QHE**



Dipole insulator



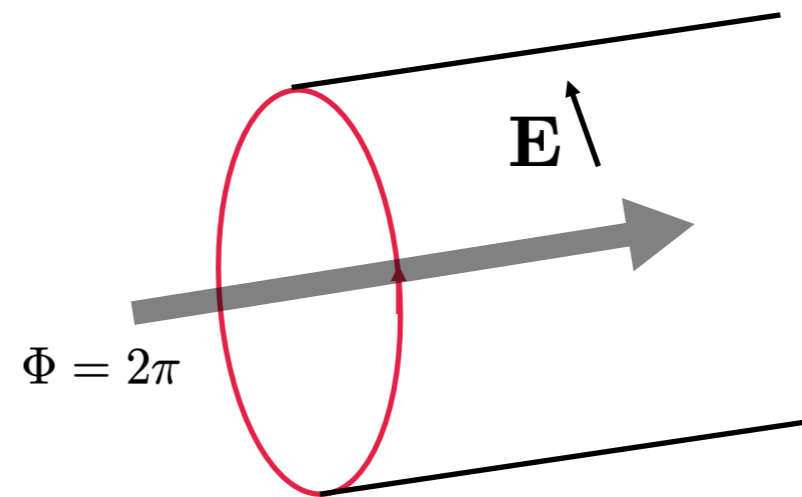
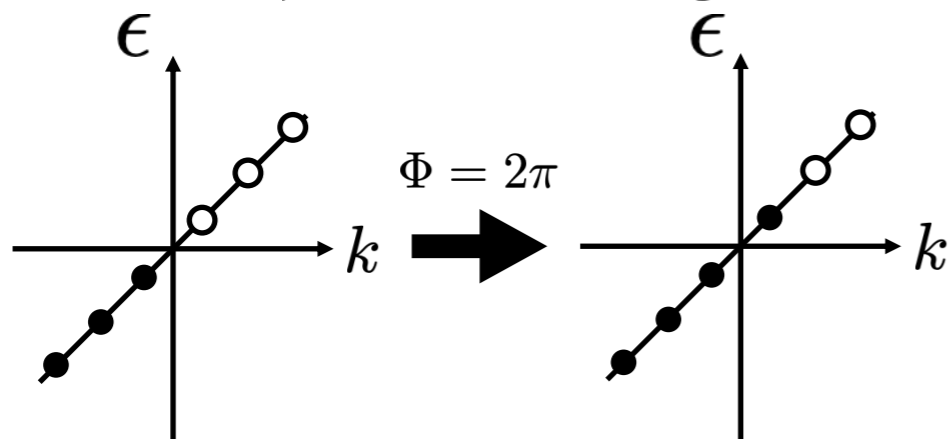
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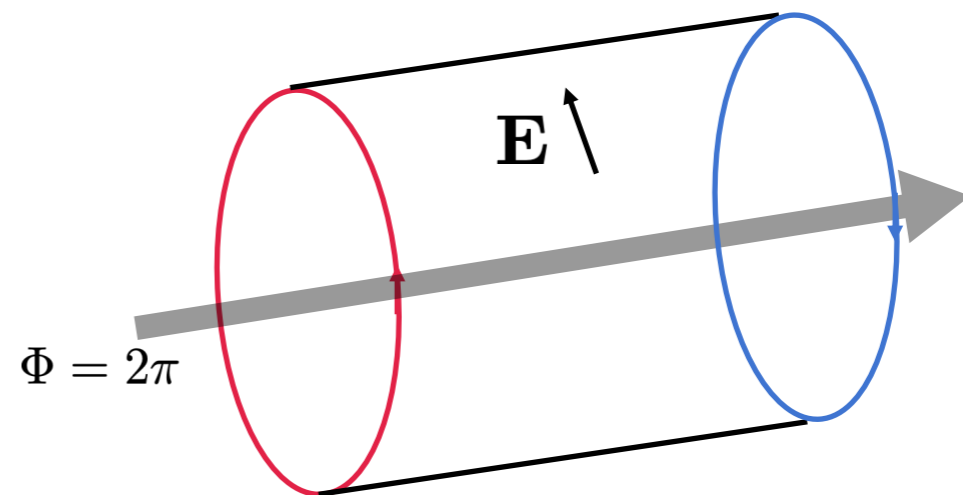
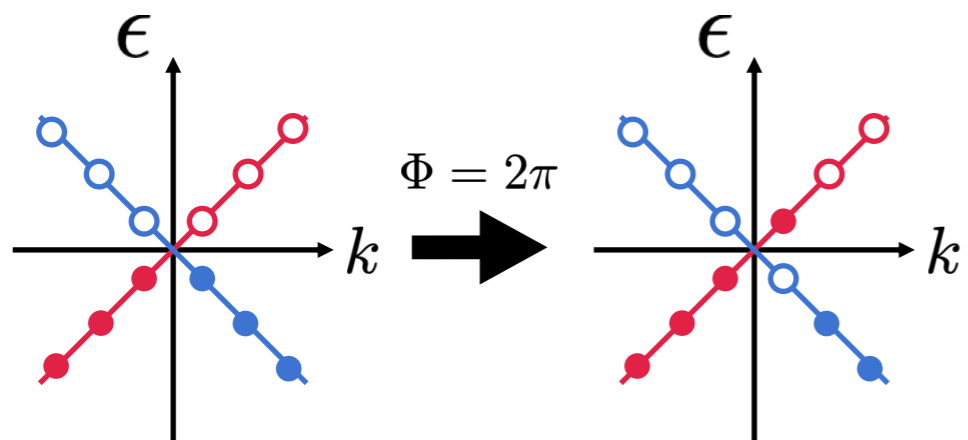
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# Current anomalies in QHE

- Anomaly on the edge



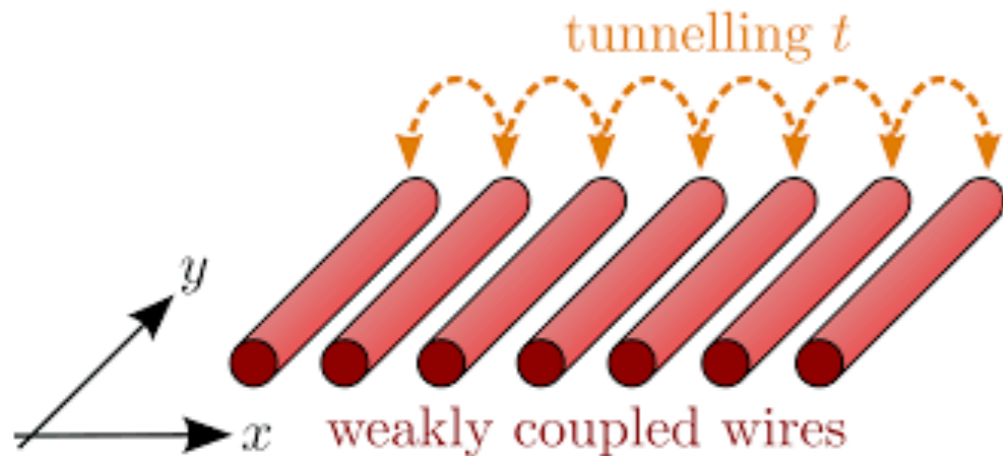
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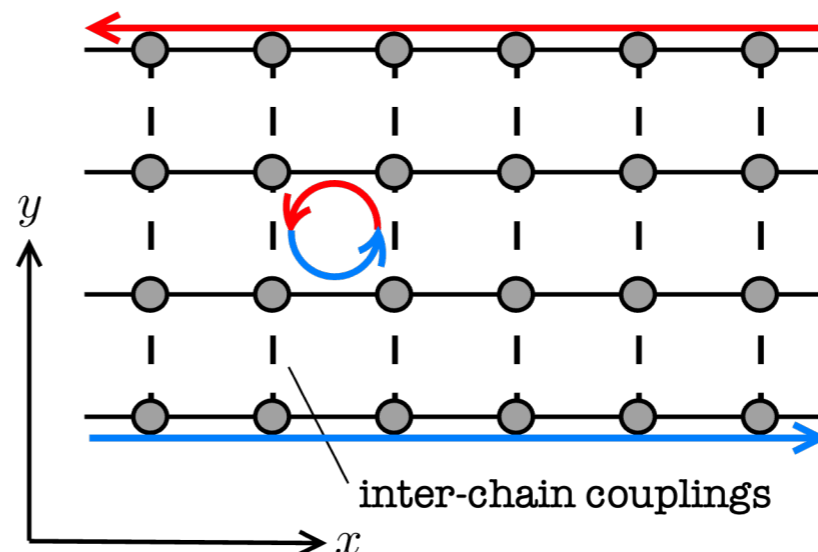
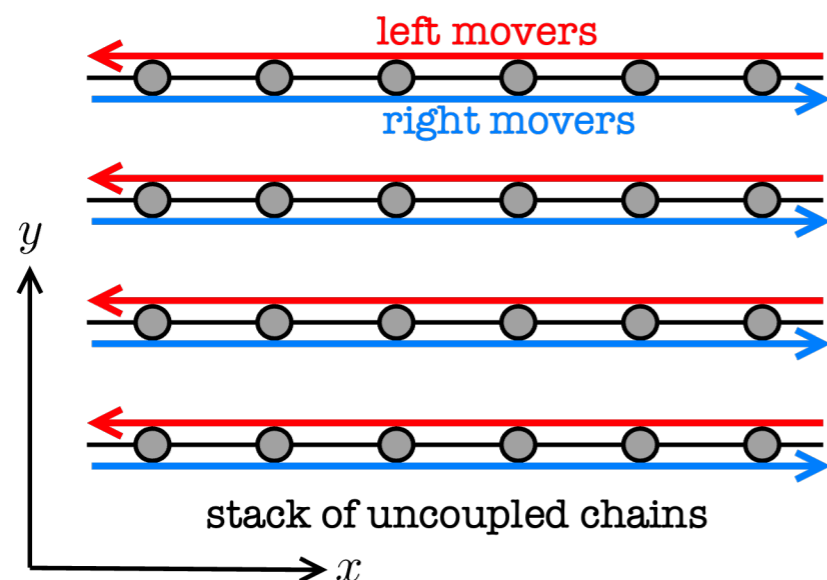
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# Coupled wire construction

## A quick overview



- ✓ Pave Luttinger liquid wires along  $y$
- ✓ Inter-wire coupling L/R movers wrt  $U^{\text{dip}}(1)$
- ✓ Left over modes on the edge



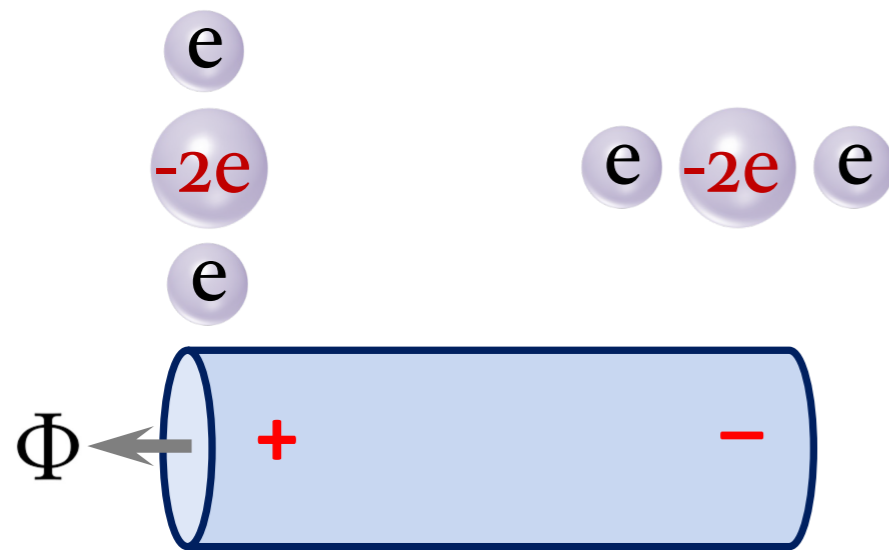
# EM response?

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$$\mathcal{L}_{y=L} = \partial_t\partial_x^2\Phi\partial_x\Phi + K(\partial_x^2\Phi)^2$$

Y=L



Global Dipole flux  $\rightarrow$  charge pump