

# **Topological photonics**

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**Mathematics** 

New degree of freedom

Robust, nearly-perfect properties

2 reviews: Lu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić *Nat. Photonics* (Nov. 2014) Lu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić *Nat. Physics* (July, 2016)

## 2016

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## The Nobel Prize in Physics 2016



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#### Oliver E. Buckley Condensed Matter Prize

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"For theories of topological order and its consequences in a broad range of physical systems."

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#### Vortices

#### Zhen, Hsu, Lu, Stone, Soljačić Phys. Rev. Lett. (2014)



#### Bound states in continuum

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## Quantum Hall phase





#### Quantum anomalous Hall

#### Haldane model (1988)



Zhang, et al. Science (2013)



#### Photonic realization

Haldane, Raghu, *arXiv/PRL/PRA* (2005-2008) Wang, Chong, Joannopoulos, Soljačić, *Nature* (2009) Hafezi, Demler, Lukin, Taylor, *Nat. Phys.* (2011) Fang, Yu & Fan, *Nat. Photon.* (2012) Kraus, et al. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* (2012) Khanikaev, et al. *Nat. Mater.* (2013) Rechtsman, et al. *Nature* (2013)

## Photonic crystals

#### Lord Rayleigh (1887)



Well-known gratings,DBR,DFB,VCSEL







Fabricable devices photonic crystal fibers







#### Yablonovitch and John (1987)



#### Difficult to make



Pouya et al. (2012)



Microwave











Single polarization Single frequency All angles

Ye, **Lu**, Joannopoulos, Soljačić, Ran arXiv:1510.00016

Eigen-value problem

Lu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić Nat. Photon. (2014) Review

$$i\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \nabla \times \\ -\nabla \times & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E \\ H \end{pmatrix} = \omega \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E \\ H \end{pmatrix}$$

Time-reversal symmetryT - breaking
$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^*$$
 $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu & i\nu & 0 \\ -i\nu & \mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Ferrimagnetic $T^2 = +1$ Boson $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu & i\nu & 0 \\ -i\nu & \mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Ferrimagnetic

**Bloch solutions** 

$$\psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}(r) = \begin{pmatrix} E(r) \\ H(r) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{u}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(r)e^{-ikr}$$

Topology of  $u_k$  in k space (B.Z.)

Band topology

## 波函数 如何 连续历遍 整个布里渊区

 $u_k(r)$ 



#### Infinite variation

New degree of freedom

#### Gauss-Bonnet theorem

#### Lu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić Nat. Photon. (2014) Review



#### Berry curvature

Lu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić Nat. Photon. (2014) Review



 $\psi_{k}\left(\boldsymbol{r}\right) = \boldsymbol{u_{k}(r)}e^{-i\boldsymbol{k}\cdot\boldsymbol{r}}$ 

Table B1 | Comparison of the Berry phase for Bloch wavefunctions and the Aharonov-Bohm phase.

$\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{k}) = \left\langle u(\mathbf{k}) \middle  i \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \middle  u(\mathbf{k}) \right\rangle$	Berry connection
$\oint \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{dl}$	Berry phase
$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{k}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \times \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{k})$	Berry curvature
$\iint \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot d\mathbf{s}$	Berry flux
$C = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oiint \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{ds}$	Chern number



 $\mathcal{F}(k)$  is even under **P** and odd under **T** 



## Topological phase transition

Lu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić Nat. Photon. (2014) Review



#### Videos





one-way waveguides



## Large Chern numbers (Z)

2cm

One-way photonic circuit



Skirlo, Lu, Soljačić *PRL* (2014) Skirlo, Lu, Igarashi, Yan, Joannopouls Soljačić *PRL* (2015)



#### Chern monopoles in 3D



## History of Weyl points

m=0

Dirac Hamiltonian (1928)  $H(k) = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma \cdot k & m \\ m & -\sigma \cdot k \end{pmatrix}$ 

Proposals

Weyl (1929)

Pauli (1930) Neutrinos (has mass)

Volovik (2002) 3He-A

Wan, Turner, Vishwanath, Savrasov (2011) pyrochlore iridates

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Reviews Turner, Vishwanath (2013) Hosur, Qi (2013) First experiments February 2015

Weyl points in photonic crystals arXiv 1502.03438 (MIT,ZJU)

Fermi arcs in TaAs arXiv 1502.03807 (Princeton, PKU) arXiv 1502.04684 (IOP Beijing)

## Weyl experiment

Lu, Fu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić

physicsworld TOP10 BREAKTHROUGH 2015 Weyl semimetal of TaAs by IOP & Princeton <u>APS Highlights of the year</u>

Lu, Wang, Ye, Ran, Fu, Joannopoulos, Soljačić Science 349, 622 (2015)





Nat. Photonics. 7, 294 (2013)

#### 2 & 4 Weyl points





## 3D gapped phase



Topological insulators

## 2D anti-localization



## 3D generalized Dirac point

Lu, Fang, Fu, Johnson, Joannopoulos, Soljačić Nature Phys. (2015)





## Topological **phononic** crystals

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Wang, Lu, Bertoldi Phys. Rev. Lett. (2015)







Nash, et. al arXiv:1504.03362

## Topological magnetoplasmon

Jin, **Lu**, Wang, Fang, Joannopoulos, Soljačić, Fu, Fang *Nat. Comm.* (2016)





studied by Fetter and many others in 1970s





#### New degree of freedom for light



## The language of topology



#### Science & Technology

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