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Rotated Heisenberg Model

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Abstract

Rotated Heisenberg model is a new class of quantum spin models to describe quantum magnetisms in systems with strong spin-orbit coupling (SOC). It originates from the strong coupling limit of interacting fermions of spinor bosons at integer fillings in a lattice in the presence of a SOC. In this talk, we focus on Rotated Ferromagnetic Heisenberg model (RFHM).We introduce Wilson loops to characterize frustrations and gauge equivalent class. For a special equivalent class, we identify a new spin-orbital entangled commensurate ground state. It supports not only commensurate magnons, but also a new gapped elementary excitation: in-commensurate magnons with two gap minima continuously tuned by the SOC strength. When applying a Zeeman field to the RFH, we find that the condensations of the incommensurate magnons lead to rich and new quantum phases through new universality class of quantum phase transitions. These quantum phases include two collinear states at low and high Zeeman field, two co-planar canted states at two dual related SOC strengths respectively, also a non-coplanar incommensurate Skyrmion (IC-SkX) crystal phases surrounded by the 4 phases. We also explore new universality classes of quantum phase transitions between (among) these phases and finite temperature transitions above all these phases. Experimental implementations and detections of these new phenomena are discussed. Rotated Antiferromagnetic Heisenberg model (RAFHM) will also be briefly discussed. Possible implications to condensed matter systems with or without SOC are given.

About the Speaker

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