

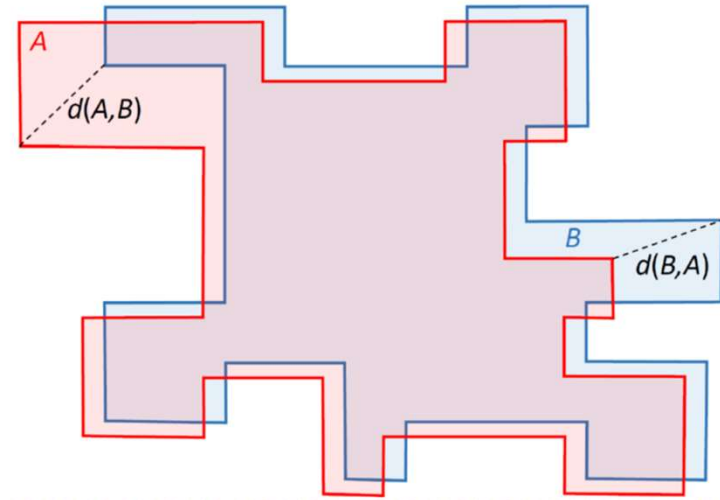
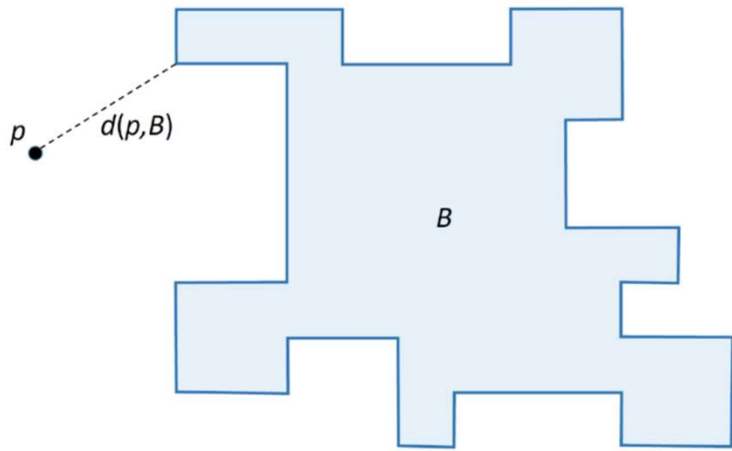
Bulk - Boundary Correspondence  
for Aperiodic Structures

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# The space of compact subsets $K(\mathbb{R}^2)$



(Hausdorff metric)  $d_H(A, B) = \max\{d(A, B), d(B, A)\}$

$(K(\mathbb{R}^2), d_H) = \text{metric space}$

## The space of closed sets $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^d)$

Proposition. For  $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  closed, define

$$\Lambda(r) = (\Lambda \cap B(0, r)) \cup \partial B(0, r)$$

Then:

$$D(\Lambda, \Lambda') = \inf \left\{ \frac{1}{1+r}, d_H(\Lambda(r), \Lambda'(r)) < \frac{1}{r} \right\}$$

defines a metric on  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

**Facts:**  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  is bounded, compact, complete.

## Patterns and the Space of Patterns

Definition:  $\omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is a Delone set if  $\exists r_{\min}, r_{\max}$

$$1) B(x, r_{\min}) \cap \omega = \{x\} \quad \forall x \in \omega$$

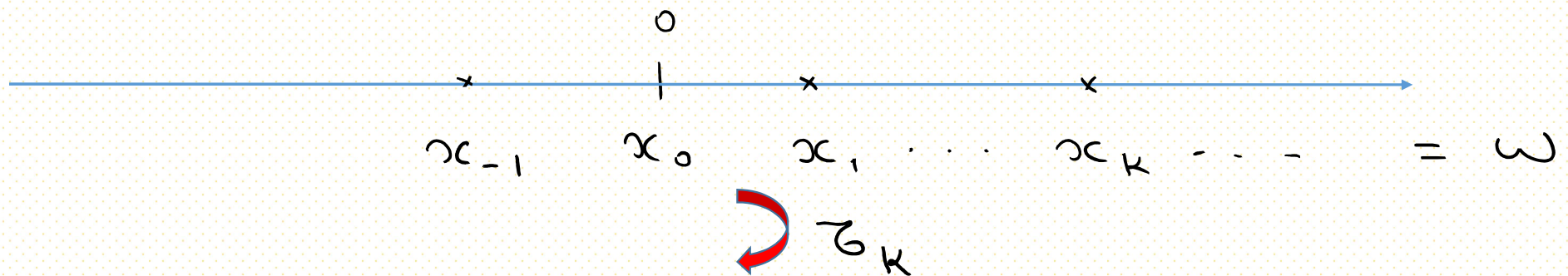
$$2) B(x, r_{\max}) \cap \omega \neq \emptyset \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

The Delone sets are closed  $\Rightarrow \omega \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

Point pattern = Delone set (for us!)

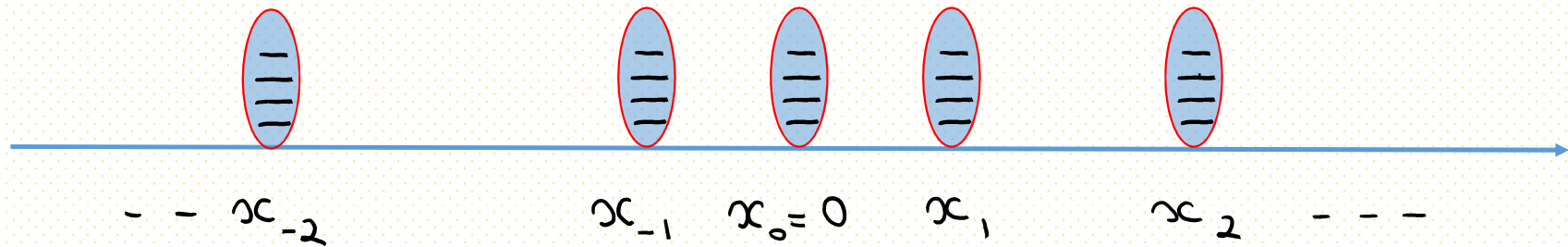



## The action of $\mathbb{Z}^d$ on point patterns



Such action always exists when the points can be labeled by  $\mathbb{Z}^d$  in a meaningful way.

# Dynamics over Point Patterns



-  - identical discrete resonators
- internal degrees of freedom  $\mathbb{C}^N$

Coupling  $\Rightarrow$  Collective modes

The Hilbert space:

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^N \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^d) = \text{Span} \left\{ \zeta \otimes |n\rangle, \zeta \in \mathbb{C}^N, n \in \mathbb{Z}^d \right\}$$

Obs: Hilbert space is exactly the same for all patterns

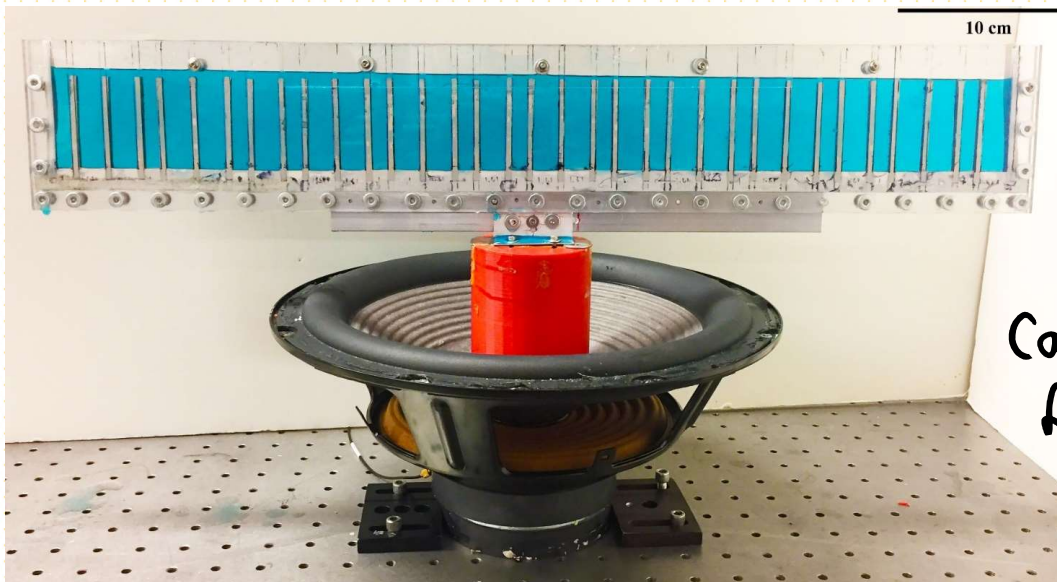
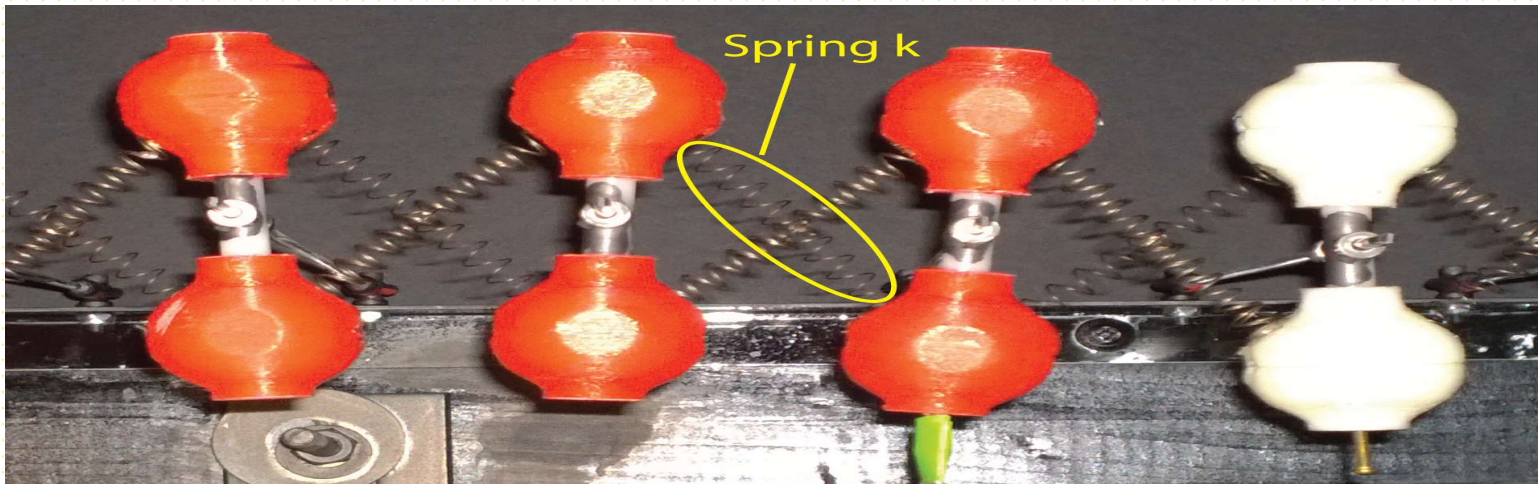
The Hamiltonian: ( $H_\omega$  continuous of  $\omega$  in strong top)

$$H_\omega = \sum_{n, m} \hat{w}_{n, m}(\omega) \otimes |n\rangle\langle m|$$

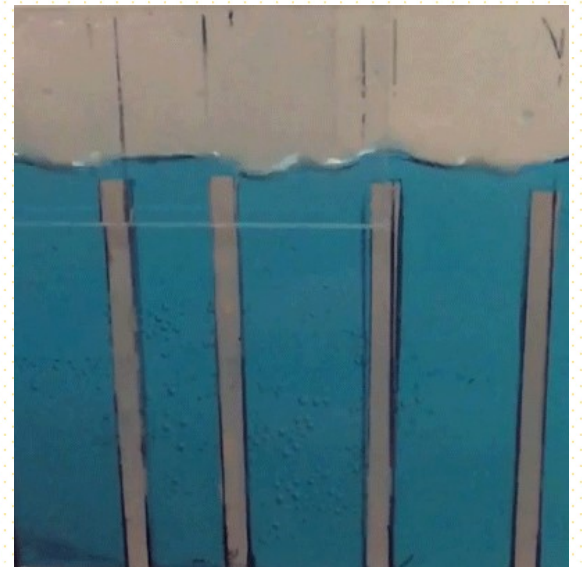
Example:  $H_\omega = \sum_{n, m} e^{-\beta|x_n - x_m|} |n\rangle\langle m|$

(to be used throughout)

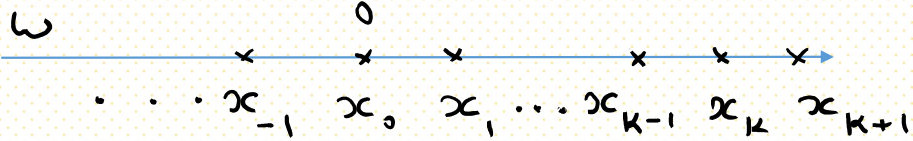
Coupling by  
evanescent tails



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Experiment  
# 1



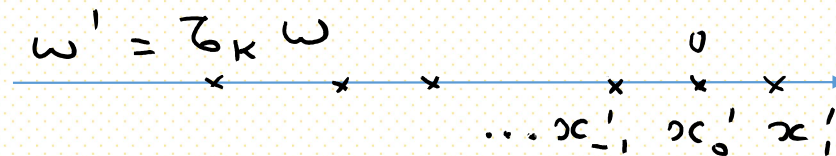
$$\psi_0 = \sum_i c_i |i\rangle$$

$$\psi(t) = e^{-itH_\omega} \psi_0$$



$H_\omega$  (derived from dynamics)

Experiment  
# 2



$$\psi_0 = \sum_i c_i |i\rangle$$

$$\psi'(t) = e^{-itH_{\omega'}} \psi_0$$



$$H_{\omega'} = H_{T_k \omega}$$

Consistency between the two observations:

$$H_{T_k \omega} = T_k H_\omega T_k^*, \quad T_k |i\rangle = |i+k\rangle$$

## Conclusions:

1) The dynamics of collective states is determined by

$$\{ H_{\tau_k \omega} \}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^d}, \text{ a whole family!}$$

2) The covariant property  $H_{\tau_k \omega} = T_k H_\omega T_k^*$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{w}_{n,m}(\tau_k \omega) = \hat{w}_{n-k, m-k}(\omega) \text{ (continuous of } \omega)$$

$$3) H_\omega = \sum_{n,m} w_{n,m}(\omega) \otimes |n\rangle\langle m| = \sum_q \sum_M \hat{w}_{0,q}(\tau_M \omega) \otimes |M\rangle\langle M| T_q$$



## The Hull and the Minimal Algebra of Observables

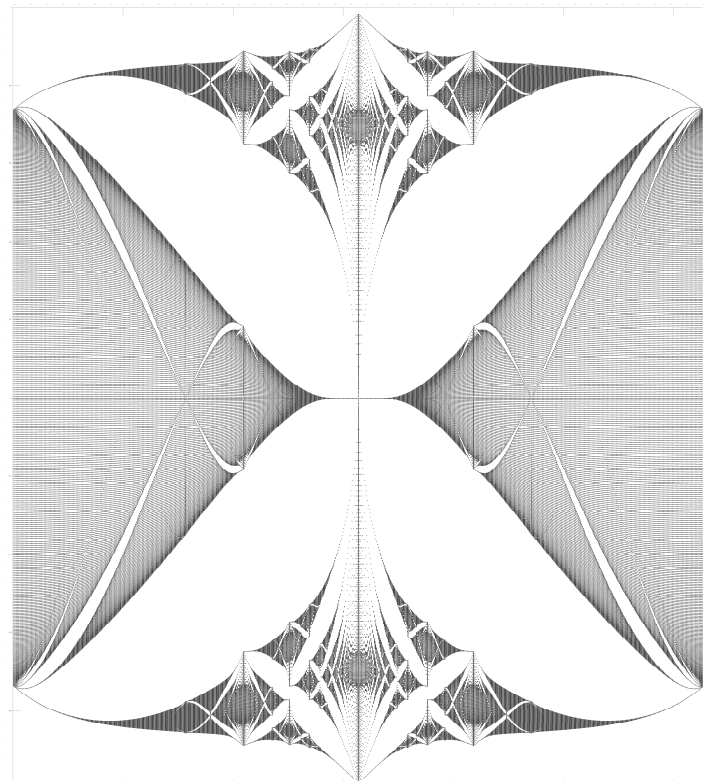
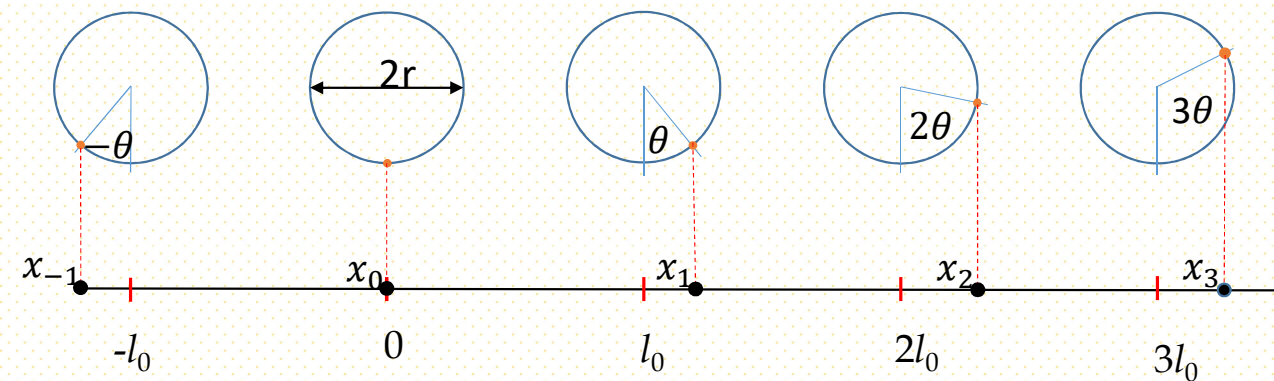
Starting from the original  $\omega$ ,  $\tau_k \omega$  provide an orbit in the topological space  $(\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^d), \mathcal{D})$

$$\text{Hull: } \Omega = \overline{\{\tau_k \omega, k \in \mathbb{Z}^d\}} \subset \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

The hull is invariant w.r.t. translations

$$\Rightarrow (\Omega, \mathbb{Z}, \tau) \quad \text{classical topological dynamical system}$$

( $\theta = \text{irrational}$ )

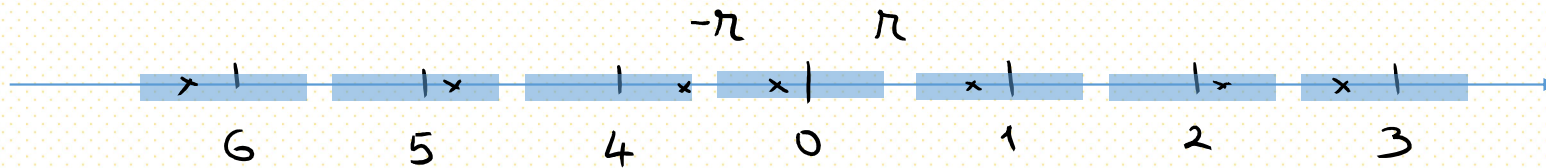


$$\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{R}) \ni \tau_k \omega \iff k\theta \in \sqrt{\pi}$$

$\{\tau_k \omega\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$  generates a dense orbit in  $\sqrt{\pi}$   $\rightarrow \Omega = \sqrt{\pi}$



(a disordered crystal)

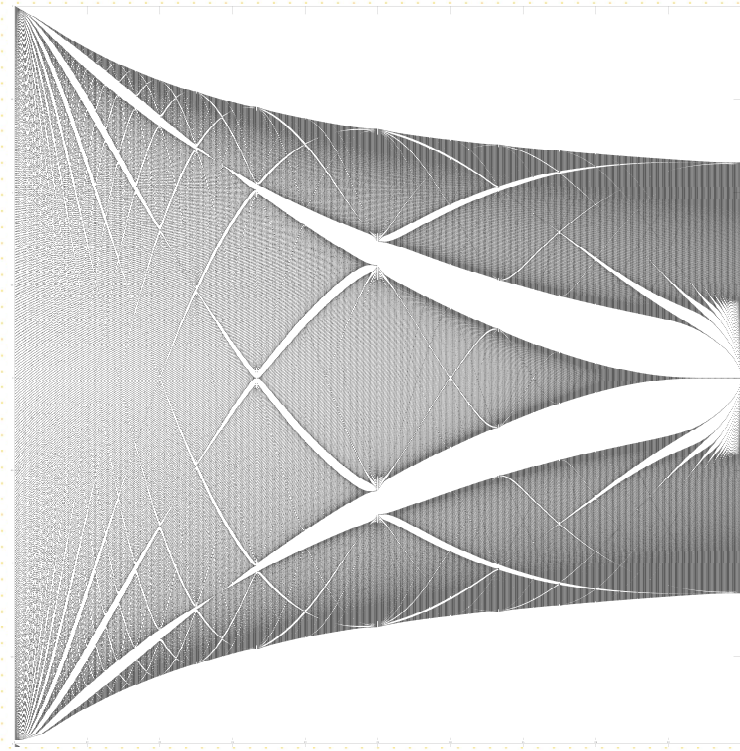
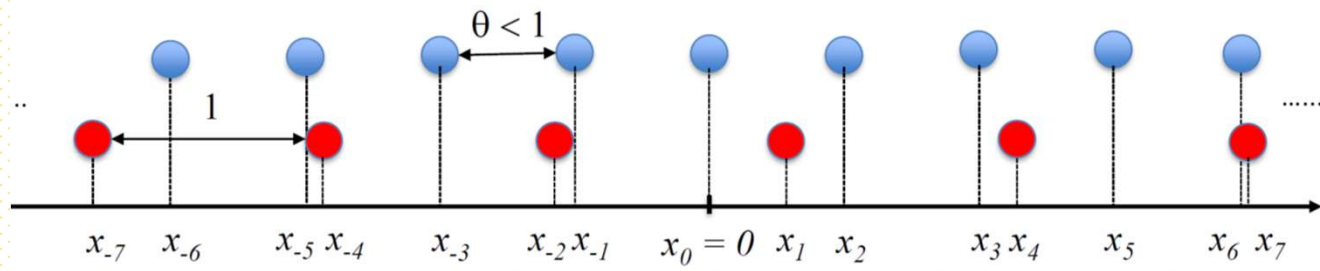


$\{\alpha_n\}_n$  randomly, independently, uniformly

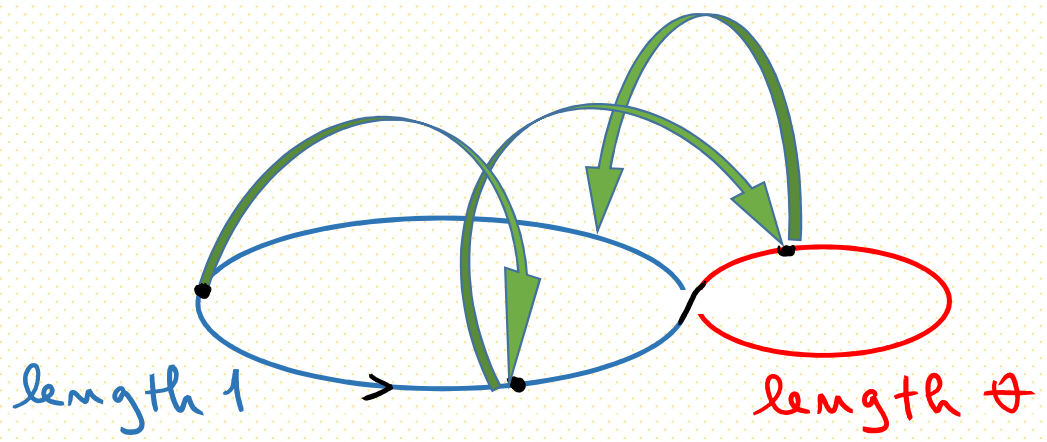
$$x_n = n + \pi \alpha_n, \quad \pi < 0.5.$$

Then:  $T_K \omega$  generates a dense orbit in  $[-1, 1]^{\mathbb{Z}}$

$$\Omega = [-1, 1]^{\mathbb{Z}} \quad (\text{topologically trivial})$$

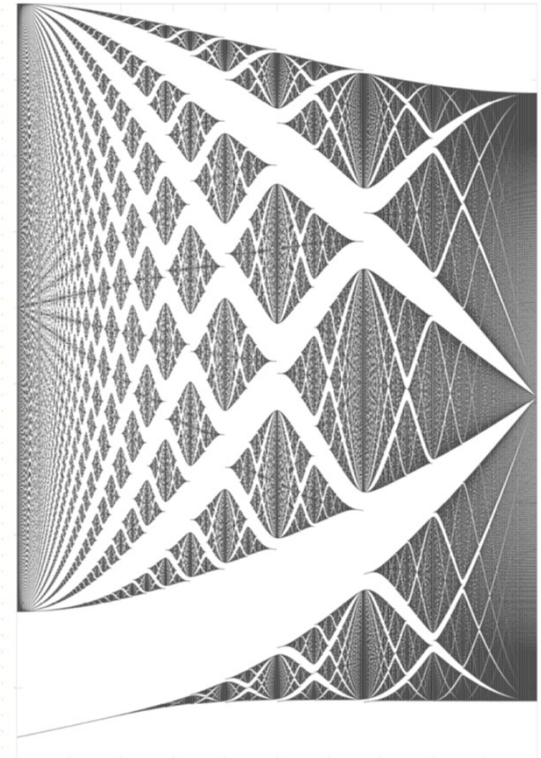
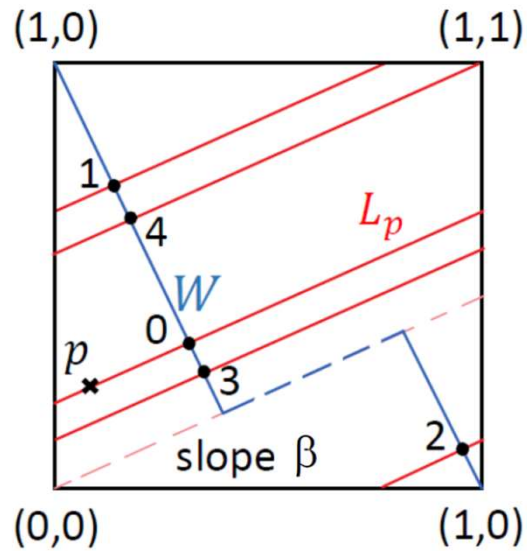
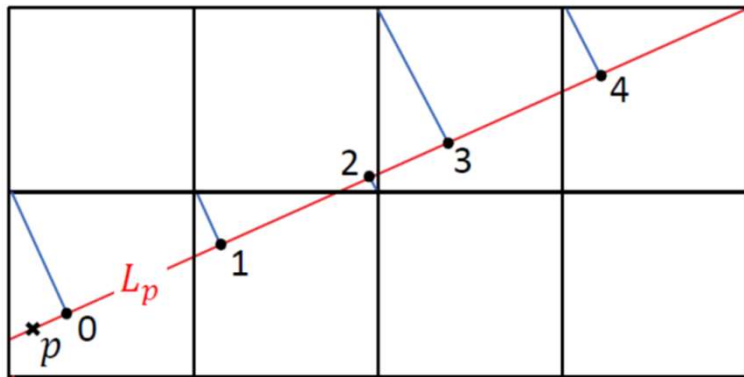


The hull:



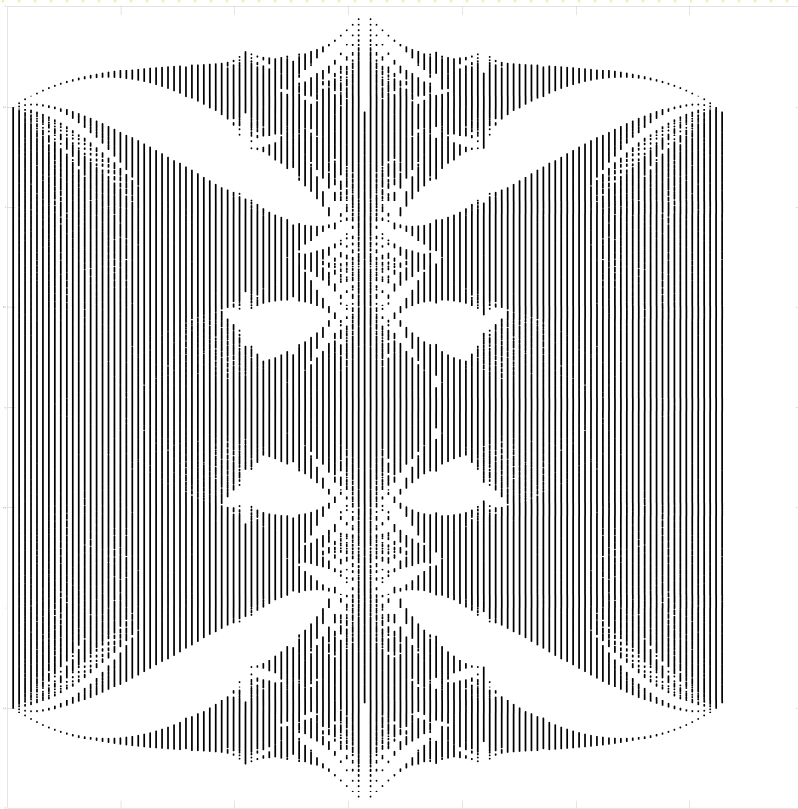
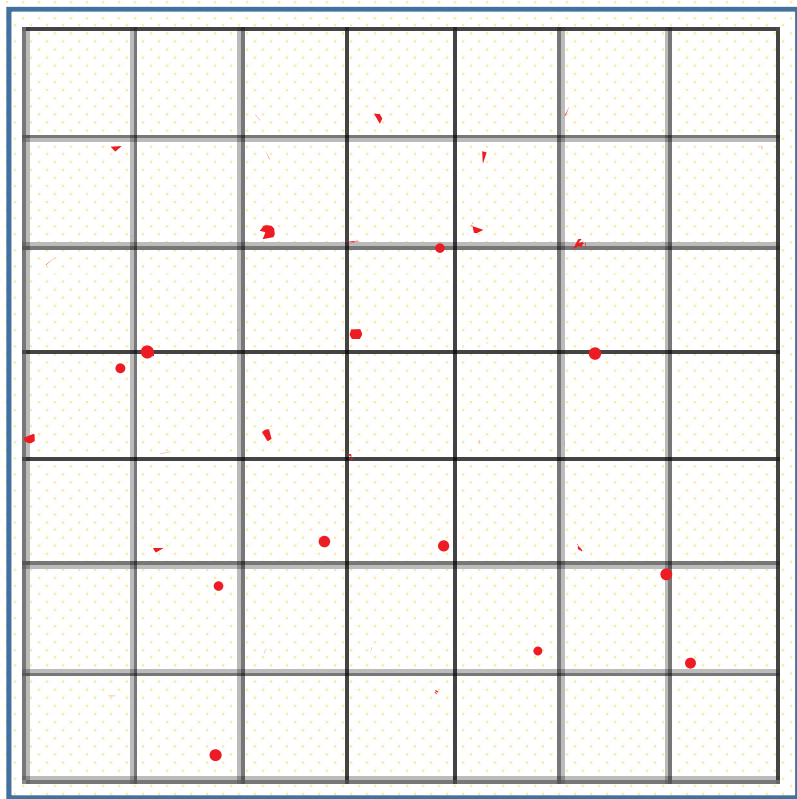
discrete translations  
= hoppings by  $\theta$

# Quasi-crystals by cut-and-project



The hull is the Cantorized circle at  $\{n\theta, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

$$x_{nm} = (m, m) + \pi \left( \sin(m\theta_1), \sin(m\theta_2) \right)$$

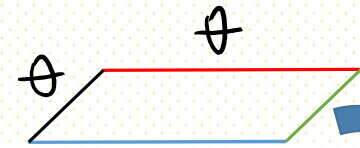


$\{e_k \omega\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^2}$  generates a dense orbit in  $\mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \Omega = \mathbb{T}^2$

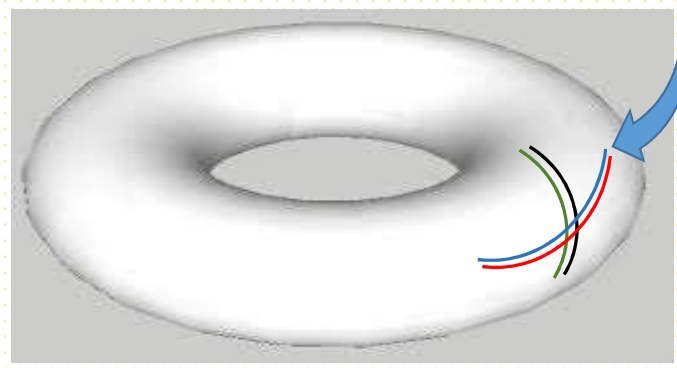
Lattice constant  $\theta$



Lattice constant 1



Glued as colored coded



$\Omega$

The algebra: Starting point  $(\Omega, \tau, \mathbb{Z}^d)$

$$A_d = C^*(C(\Omega), u_1, \dots, u_d)$$

universal algebra generated by  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  plus  $u_j$ 's

$$f u_q = u_q (f \circ \tau_q), \quad u_q = u_1^{q_1} \dots u_d^{q_d}, \quad q \in \mathbb{Z}^d$$

Generic  
element:

$$a = \sum_q a_q u_q, \quad a_q \in C(\Omega)$$



The canonical representation:

$$A_d \xrightarrow{\pi_\omega} \text{Operators over } \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^d)$$

$$\pi_\omega(u_i) = T_i \quad (\text{translation in } i\text{-th direction})$$

$$\pi_\omega(f) = \sum_{\vec{m}} f(\tau_{\vec{m}} \omega) |m\rangle\langle m|$$

All covariant families  $\{H_\omega\}$  can be generated like

$$\mathbb{C}(N) \otimes A_d \ni \sum_{\vec{q}} \hat{w}_{\vec{q}} u_{\vec{q}} \xrightarrow{\pi_\omega} H_\omega = \sum_{\vec{q}, \vec{m}} \hat{w}_{\vec{q}} (\tau_{\vec{m}} \omega) \otimes |\vec{m}\rangle\langle \vec{m}| T_{\vec{q}}$$

REMARKS about the meaning of  $A_d$ .

1)  $A_d$  provides the environment where we can deform the system. This can be done in several ways:

a) changing the coefficients  $\hat{w}_a(\omega)$

b) changing the pattern but leaving  $\Omega$  the same

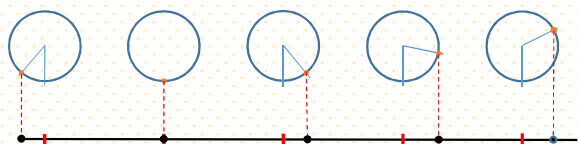
2) The element  $h = \sum_a \hat{w}_a v_a$  encodes the whole  $\{H\omega\}_{\omega \in \Omega}$

but note that  $\nabla(h) = \nabla(H\omega)$  (indep of  $\omega$ )



# Bulk - Boundary Principle at work

Example 1:



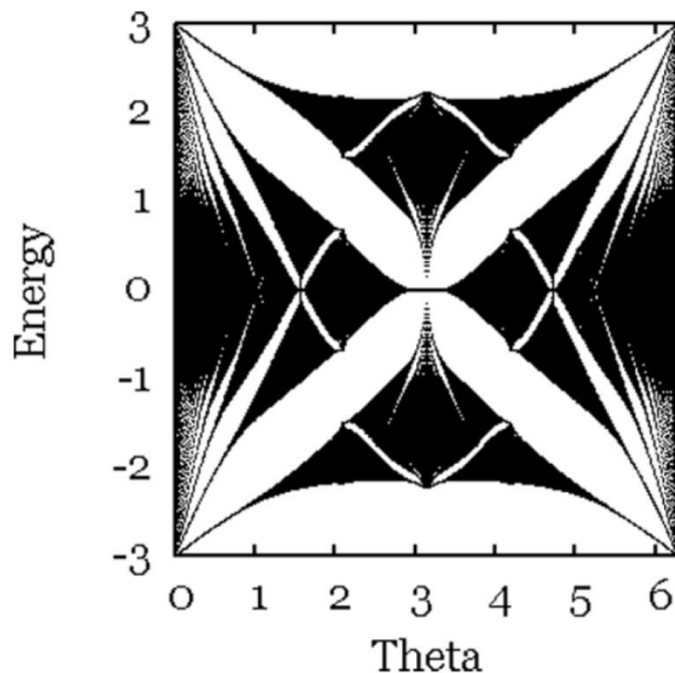
$$\hbar = \sum_q w_q u^q$$

$$w_0(\omega) = |\omega_1 - \omega_0|$$

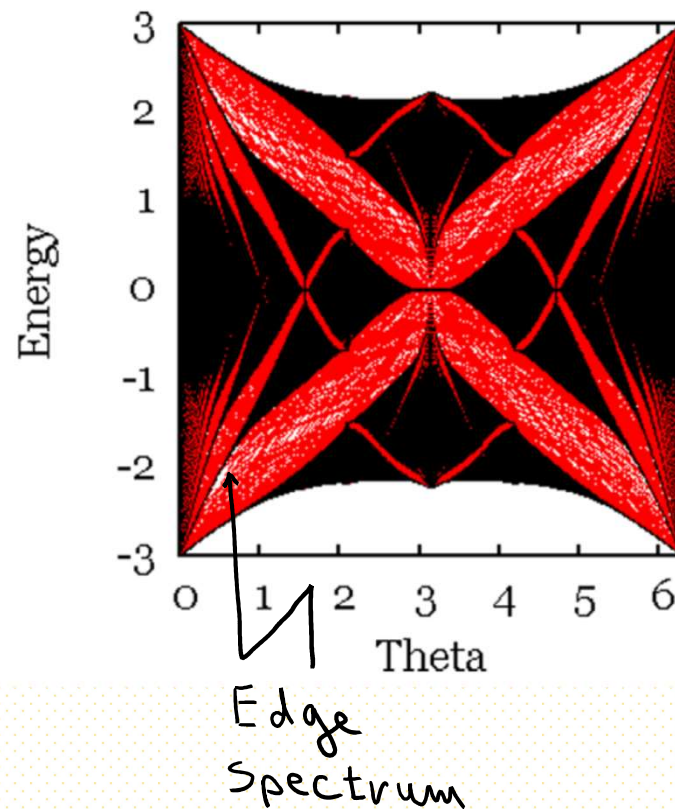
$$w_{\pm 1} = 1$$

$$w_q = 0 \text{ in rest}$$

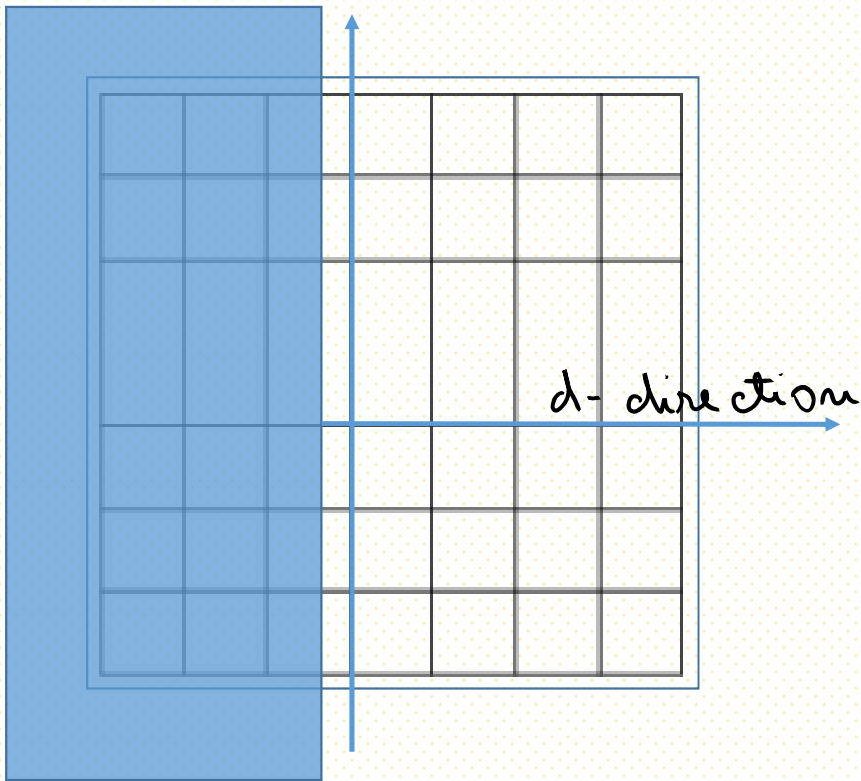
Bulk



Ribbon



## Systems with boundary



Hilbert space

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \mathbb{C}^N \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{N})$$

$T_d$  - becomes partial isometry

$$T_d^* T_d = I, \quad T_d T_d^* = I - P_0$$

$$P_0 = \sum_{m_d=0} |m\rangle\langle m|$$

## The Algebra of Observables for Half-Space

$$\hat{A}_d = C^*(C(\Omega), \hat{u}_1, \dots, \hat{u}_d)$$

where the only change is:

$$\hat{u}_d \hat{u}_d^* = 1, \quad \hat{u}_d^* \hat{u}_d = 1 - e$$

A generic element takes the form:

$$\hat{a} = \sum_{\vec{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^{d-1}} \sum_{n, m \in \mathbb{N}} \hat{a}_{\vec{q}, n, m} \hat{u}_{\vec{q}} \hat{u}_d^m (\hat{u}_d^*)^m$$

## Canonical Representation

$$C(\Omega) \ni \hat{f} \xrightarrow{\hat{\Pi}_\omega} \sum_{\vec{q}, m} \hat{f}(z_{\vec{q}, m} \omega) |\vec{x}_{\vec{q}, m} \rangle \langle \vec{x}_{\vec{q}, m} |$$

$$\hat{u}_j \rightarrow T_j, \quad j=1, \dots, d-1, \quad \hat{u}_d \rightarrow T_d, \quad e \rightarrow P_0$$

Example:  $H_\omega$  with Dirichlet boundary condition

$$\hat{h}_D = \sum_{\vec{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^{d-1}} \left( \sum_{n < 0} w_{\vec{q}, n} u_{\vec{q}} (u_d^*)^{|n|} + \sum_{n > 0} w_{\vec{q}, n} u_{\vec{q}} u_d^n \right)$$

## The Boundary Algebra

The special elements

$$\tilde{a} = \sum_{\vec{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^{d-1}} \sum_{m, m' \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{a}_{\vec{q}, m, m'} \hat{u}_q u_d^m e (u_d^*)^{m'}$$

are mapped by  $\widehat{\pi}_\omega$  in boundary terms. They form:

$$\text{(ideal)} \quad \tilde{A}_d = \hat{A}_d \oplus \tilde{A}_d \subset \hat{A}_d$$

Example.  $\hat{h}' = \hat{h}_D + \tilde{h} \rightarrow H_\omega$  with a different BC.

Important remarks about half-space algebra.

1)  $\hat{h}$  encodes the whole family  $\{\hat{H}_\omega\}_{\omega \in \Omega}$

2) This time  $\nabla(\hat{H}_\omega)$  depends on  $\omega$ . More precisely

$$\nabla(\hat{H}_{\vec{q}_{\parallel}} \omega) = \nabla(\hat{H}_\omega)$$

$$\nabla(\hat{H}_{\vec{q}_{\perp}} \omega) = \nabla(\hat{H}'_\omega)$$

where  $\hat{H}'_\omega$  is with boundary moved up by  $\vec{q}_{\perp}$

Conclusion. 
$$\nabla(\hat{h}) = \bigcup_{\omega \in \Omega} \nabla(\hat{H}_\omega) = \bigcup_{\text{Boundary}} \nabla(\hat{H}_\omega)$$

## Elements of K-Theory

Both, the bulk spectrum and the emergence of edge spec can be rationalize using K-Theory:

$K_0(A)$  classifies projections

$$p \in \mathbb{C}(\infty) \otimes A, \quad p^2 = p^* = p$$

$p \sim p'$  if homotopic

$$[p]_0 + [p']_0 = \begin{bmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & p' \end{bmatrix}_0$$

$K_1(A)$  classifies unitaries

$$u \in \mathbb{C}(\infty) \otimes A, \quad u^* u = u u^* = 1.$$

$u \sim u'$  if homotopic

$$[u]_1, [u']_1 = [u \cdot u']_1,$$

## The Engine of Bulk-Boundary Correspondance

There exists the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \tilde{A}_d \xrightarrow{i} \hat{A}_d \xrightarrow{ev} A_d \longrightarrow 0 \quad (ev(\hat{u}_j) = u_j)$$

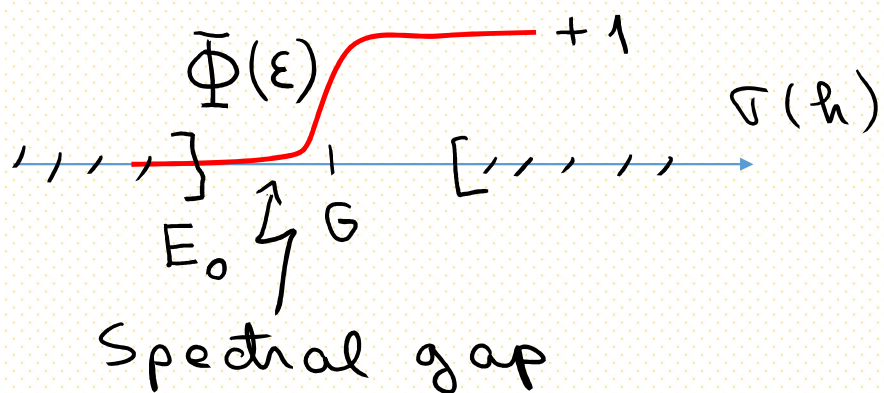
which automatically leads to an exact sequence:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} K_0(\tilde{A}_d) & \longrightarrow & K_0(\hat{A}_d) & \longrightarrow & K_0(A_d) \\ \text{Ind} \uparrow & & & & \downarrow \text{Exp} \\ K_1(A_d) & \longleftarrow & K_1(\hat{A}_d) & \longleftarrow & K_1(\tilde{A}_d) \end{array}$$



# How the Exponential Map Works

$h \in A_d$



$$P = \chi_{(-\infty, G)}(h) \in K_0(A_d)$$

Boundary ( $\hat{h} \in \hat{A}_d$ )

$$\text{Exp}[P]_0 = [e^{-2\pi i \Phi(\hat{h})}]$$

$$\text{If } \text{Exp}[P]_0 \neq [1],$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\sigma(\hat{h}) \cap [G - \delta, G + \delta] \neq \emptyset$$

Example 1:  $x_n = n + r \sin(n\theta)$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega = \mathbb{T}^1, \quad \tau_k x = (x + k\theta) \bmod 2\pi$$

Then:  $C(\Omega) = C^*(\nu)$ ,  $\nu: \mathbb{T}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\nu(x) = e^{ix}$

The algebra of observables:

$$A = C^*(C(\Omega), u) = C^*(\nu, u)$$

Commutation relation:

$$\nu u = u(\nu \circ \tau_1) = u(e^{i(x+\theta)}) = e^{i\theta} u \nu$$

Conclusion:  $A =$  rotational algebra

$K_0(A)$  generated by  $[1]_0$  and  $[e]_0$  ( $\text{ch}[e]_0 = 1$ )

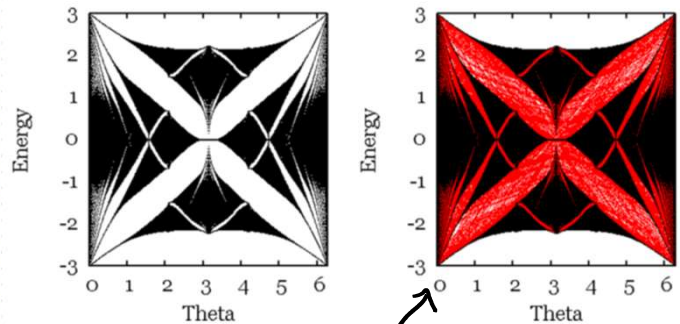
$K_1(\tilde{A}) = K_1(C(\Omega))$  generated by  $[v]_1$ .

$\text{Exp}[e]_0 = [v]_1$ , and  $\text{ch}[e]_0 = \text{Winding}[v]_1$ ,

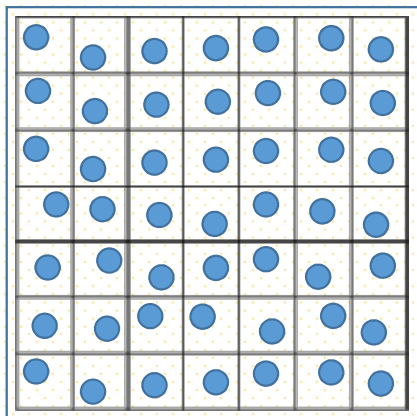
Then, for any gap

$$[P_{\text{gap}}]_0 = m[1]_0 + n[e]_0$$

$$\text{Exp}[P_{\text{gap}}]_0 = [v^m]_1 \neq [1]_1$$



Edge States!



$$P_{nm} = (n, m) + (n\theta_1, m\theta_2) \bmod (1, 1)$$

$$\Omega = \mathbb{T}^2$$

$$\tau_{\vec{a}} : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega \quad \begin{cases} \tau_{1,0}(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + \theta_1, x_2) \\ \tau_{0,1}(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, x_2 + \theta_2) \end{cases}$$

$$C(\Omega) = C(\mathbb{T}^2) = C^*(u_1, u_2)$$

$$u_i : \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\begin{cases} u_1(x_1, x_2) = e^{ix_1} \\ u_2(x_1, x_2) = e^{ix_2} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{A} = C^*(C(\Omega), u_3, u_4) = C^*(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4)$$

Commutation Relations:

$$u_1 u_3 = u_3 (u_1 \circ \tau_{1,0}) = u_3 e^{i(x_1 + \theta_1)} = e^{i\theta_1} u_3 u_1$$

$$u_2 u_4 = u_4 (u_2 \circ \tau_{0,1}) = u_4 e^{i(x_2 + \theta_2)} = e^{i\theta_2} u_4 u_2$$

Conclusion:  $\mathcal{A}$  is just the noncommutative torus

$$\mathcal{A} = C^*(u_1, \dots, u_4), \quad u_i u_j = e^{i\theta_{ij}} u_j u_i, \quad \begin{cases} \theta_{1,3} = \theta_1 \\ \theta_{2,4} = \theta_2 \end{cases}$$

## $K_0$ - Group and its Generators:

$\mathcal{J} \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\}$  = set of indices

$\Rightarrow K_0(A)$  is generated by

$[e_{\mathcal{J}}]_0$ ,  $2^3$  - generators

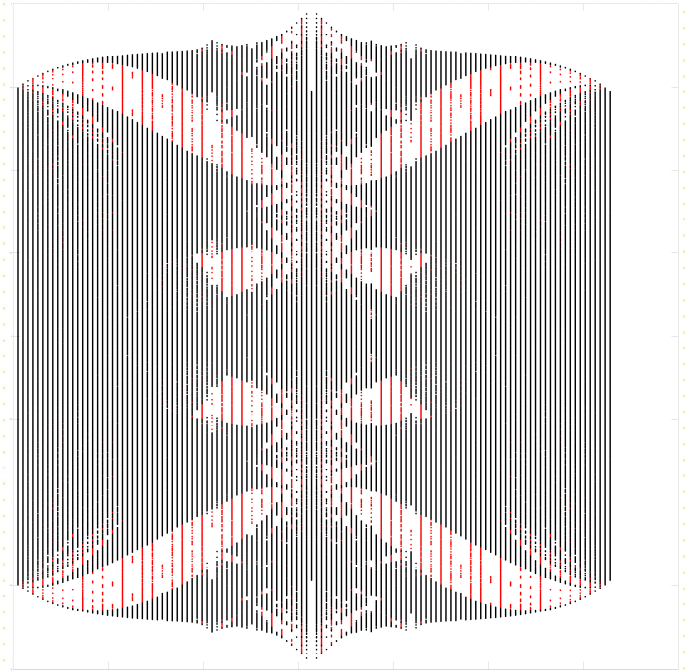
For top generator ( $\mathcal{J} = \{1, \dots, 4\}$ )

$$\text{Ch}_2[e_{\text{top}}] = 1 = \text{Winding} \{ \text{Exp}[e_{\text{top}}] \}$$

As expected, there are many gaps in  $\sigma(H_w)$

$$[P_G]_0 = \sum_{j \in \{1, \dots, 4\}} \alpha_j [e_j]_0$$

} integers



and there is a  $P_g$  with  $\alpha_{top} \neq 0$ . Then:

$$\text{Ch}_{top} [P_g]_0 = \alpha_{top} = \text{Wind}_3 \text{Exp} [P_g]_0 \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Edge modes appear!