

Quantized Spin Pumping in Ferromagnetic–Superconducting Nanowires

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We study adiabatic spin pumping induced by the precession of magnetization in ferromagnetic–superconducting nanowires and demonstrate that magnetic dynamics provide a direct probe of topological superconducting phases. The system is described by a multiband Bogoliubov–de Gennes model, where the magnetization orientation evolves slowly in time and its phase acts as a pumping parameter.

Using a scattering-matrix approach combined with the Brouwer–Buttiker–Pretre–Thomas formalism, we compute the spin transferred per precession cycle and find robust quantization to integer values. Mapping the pumped spin as a function of the Fermi energy E_F and superconducting gap Δ yields characteristic semi-elliptical regions of nontrivial topology in the phase diagram. Different topological regions are distinguished by the sign of the pumped spin, reflecting spin-resolved spectral flow across the superconducting gap.

In the trivial phase no quantization of the spin occurs. Therefore, our results establish quantized spin pumping as a powerful and experimentally relevant signature of multiband topological superconductivity in magnetic hybrid nanostructures.

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