

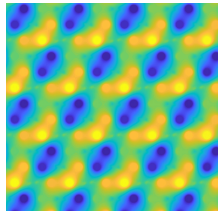
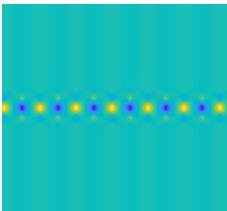
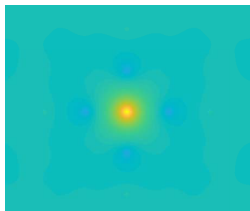
# Wave interaction with subwavelength resonators

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# Subwavelength resonances

- Focus, trap, guide, manipulate, and control waves at subwavelength scales.
- Construct a unified mathematical approach for modelling subwavelength confinement and guiding of waves as well as imaging and sensing using artificial materials.
- Microstructured resonant materials.
- Building block microstructure: subwavelength resonator.
- Evaluate the robustness of the proposed approaches for subwavelength confinement and guiding of waves with respect to uncertainties in the geometrical or physical parameters.



# Subwavelength resonances

- PDE model for a single subwavelength resonator:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta u + \omega^2 \frac{\rho}{\kappa} u = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{D}, d = 2, 3, \\ \Delta u + \omega^2 \frac{\rho_r}{\kappa_r} u = 0 \quad \text{in } D, \\ u|_+ = u|_- \quad \text{on } \partial D, \\ \frac{\rho_r}{\rho} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} \Big|_+ = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} \Big|_- \quad \text{on } \partial D, \\ u^s := u - u^{\text{in}} \text{ satisfies the (outgoing) Sommerfeld radiation condition.} \end{array} \right.$$

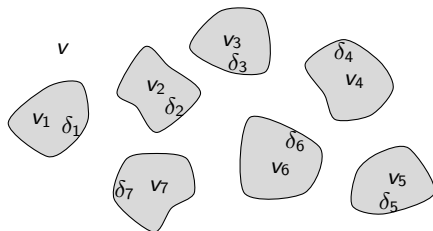
- $\kappa_r, \rho_r, \kappa, \rho$ : **material parameters** inside and outside  $D$ .
- $k_r = \omega \sqrt{\rho_r / \kappa_r}$ ;  $\nu_r = \sqrt{\kappa_r / \rho_r}$ ;  $k = \omega \sqrt{\rho / \kappa}$ ;  $\nu = \sqrt{\kappa / \rho}$ .
- $\nu_r, \nu = O(1)$ ; **High contrast**:  $\delta := |\rho_r / \rho| \ll 1$ .
- Given  $\delta$ , a **subwavelength resonant frequency**  $\omega = \omega(\delta) \in \mathbb{C}$ :
  - (i) there exists a **non-trivial** solution to the PDE model with  $u^{\text{in}} = 0$ ;
  - (ii)  $\omega$  depends continuously on  $\delta$  and satisfies  $\omega \rightarrow 0$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ .

# Subwavelength resonances

- **Finite systems** of subwavelength resonators:
  - **Hermitian case**:  $\kappa_r, \rho_r$  **positive**;
  - **Non-Hermitian case**:  $\kappa_r, \rho_r$  with **nonzero imaginary parts**;
  - **Time-modulated case**: Wave equation; **time-modulated material parameters** inside the resonator:  $\kappa_r \kappa(t), \rho_r \rho(t)$ .
- **Periodic systems** subwavelength resonators: crystals, screens, chains.
- **Extraordinary confinement and guiding properties** of microstructured resonant materials and their **robustness**.

# Finite systems of subwavelength resonators

- Finite system of subwavelength resonators<sup>1</sup>:
  - Let  $D = D_1 \cup \dots \cup D_N$ ;  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_N \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ :  $N$  disjoint resonators;  
 $v_i$ : wave speed in resonator  $D_i$ ,  $k_i = \omega/v_i$ : wave number in  $D_i$ ;
  - $\delta_i = O(\delta)$ ,  $|\delta| \ll 1$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .



<sup>1</sup>with B. Davies, E. Hiltunen, Submitted, 2020.

# Finite systems of subwavelength resonators

- Let  $d = 3$ . **Capacitance matrix**:  $C = (C_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$

$$C_{ij} = - \int_{\partial D_i} \underbrace{(\mathcal{S}_D)^{-1}[\chi_{\partial D_j}]}_{:=\psi_j} d\sigma, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

- $\mathcal{S}_D$ : **Single-layer potential** associated with the **fundamental solution**  $G$  to the Laplacian:  $\mathcal{S}_D[\phi] = \int_{\partial D} G(x-y)\phi(y) d\sigma(y)$ .
- **Generalized capacitance matrix**:  $\mathcal{C} = (\mathcal{C}_{ij}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$

$$\mathcal{C}_{ij} = \frac{\delta_i v_i^2}{|D_i|} C_{ij}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

- Characterization of the **subwavelength resonant frequencies**:

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$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\lambda_n} + O(\delta), \quad n = 1, \dots, N;$$

- $\{\lambda_n : n = 1, \dots, N\}$ : **eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{C}$** , which satisfy  $\lambda_n = O(\delta)$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ .

# Finite systems of subwavelength resonators

- Characterization of the **subwavelength resonant modes**:
  - $\mathbf{v}_n$ : **eigenvector of  $\mathcal{C}$**  associated to  $\lambda_n$ .
  - **Resonant mode**  $u_n$  associated to  $\omega_n$ :

$$u_n(x) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{v}_n \cdot \mathbf{S}_D^k(x) + O(\delta^{1/2}), & x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \overline{D}, \\ \mathbf{v}_n \cdot \mathbf{S}_D^{k_i}(x) + O(\delta^{1/2}), & x \in D_i. \end{cases}$$

- $\mathbf{S}_D^k : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^N$ :

$$\mathbf{S}_D^k(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{S}_D^k[\psi_1](x) \\ \vdots \\ \mathcal{S}_D^k[\psi_N](x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \partial D;$$

- $\psi_i := (\mathcal{S}_D)^{-1}[\chi_{\partial D_i}]$ .
- $\mathcal{S}_D^k$ : single-layer potential associated with  $G_k$ : **outgoing fundamental solution** of the Helmholtz operator  $\Delta + k^2$ .

# Finite systems of subwavelength resonators

- **Modal decomposition:**

- $V$ : matrix of eigenvectors of  $\mathcal{C}$ .  $V = [\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_N]$ .
- If  $\omega = O(\sqrt{\delta})$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , then the solution  $u$  to the scattering problem can be written, uniformly for  $x$  in compact subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , as

$$u(x) - u^{\text{in}}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n u_n(x) - \mathcal{S}_D^k \left[ \left( \mathcal{S}_D^k \right)^{-1} [u^{\text{in}}] \right] (x) + O(\delta^{1/2});$$

- $a_n = a_n(\omega)$  satisfy

$$V \begin{pmatrix} \omega^2 - \omega_1^2 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \omega^2 - \omega_N^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{v_1^2 \delta_1}{|D_1|} \int_{\partial D_1} (\mathcal{S}_D)^{-1} [u^{\text{in}}] d\sigma \\ \vdots \\ \frac{v_N^2 \delta_N}{|D_N|} \int_{\partial D_N} (\mathcal{S}_D)^{-1} [u^{\text{in}}] d\sigma \end{pmatrix} + O(\delta^{3/2}).$$

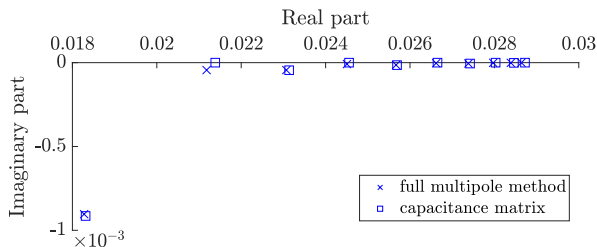


# Finite systems of subwavelength resonators

- **Boundary integral formulation**:  $\mathcal{A}(\omega, \delta)[\Psi] = 0$ ;
- $0$ : **characteristic value** of the **limiting operator-valued function**:  $\omega \mapsto \mathcal{A}(\omega, 0)$ .
- **Gohberg-Sigal** theory: perturbation of the characteristic value and the kernel of  $\mathcal{A}(0, 0)$ .
- Numerical approaches to **compute** the resonant frequencies:
  - **Discrete version of the boundary integral formulation** and **Muller's** method.
  - Use the **capacitance matrix** to obtain accurate numerical approximations with **significant reduction in computational power**.

# Finite systems of subwavelength resonators

- **Subwavelength resonant frequencies** of a system of  $N = 10$  spherical resonators; Each resonator has unit radius and  $\delta = 1/5000$ .
- Comparison between the values computed using the **multipole expansion method** to discretize the full boundary integral equation and the values computed using the **capacitance matrix**.
- Computations using the **full multipole method** took 41 seconds while the **approximations from the capacitance matrix** took just 0.02 seconds, on the same computer.



# Effective medium theory

- **Monopolar resonance frequency** for a single subwavelength resonator:

$$\underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{\text{Cap}_D}{|D|}} v_r \sqrt{\delta}}_{:=\omega_M} + i \underbrace{\left(-\frac{\text{Cap}_D^2 v_r^2}{8\pi v |D|} \delta\right)}_{:=\tau_M} + O(\delta^{\frac{3}{2}}).$$

- **Capacity**  $\text{Cap}_D := -\int_{\partial D} \mathcal{S}_D^{-1}[1] d\sigma$ .
- **Monopole approximation** near the monopolar resonance frequency<sup>2</sup>:  
$$u(x) - u^{\text{in}}(x) = g(\omega, \delta, D)(1 + o(1))u^{\text{in}}(x_0)G_k(x, x_0).$$
- **Scattering coefficient**  $g$ :

$$g(\omega, \delta, D) = \frac{\text{Cap}_D}{1 - \left(\frac{\omega_M}{\omega}\right)^2 + i\tau_M}.$$

- **Scattering enhancement** near the monopolar resonance frequency.

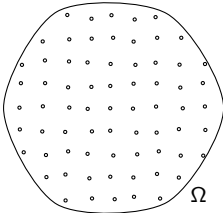
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<sup>2</sup>with B. Fitzpatrick, D. Gontier, H. Lee, H. Zhang, Ann. IHP C, 2018.

# Effective medium theory

- **Effective medium theory** for **dilute systems** of subwavelength resonators<sup>3</sup>:
- **Effective operator**:  $\Delta + k^2 + V(x)$

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\omega_M}{\omega}\right)^2 - 1} \Lambda \tilde{V}(x).$$

- $\omega_M := \sqrt{\lambda_1}$ ;
  - $\Lambda$ : depends only on the **size** and **number** of the subwavelength resonators;
  - $\tilde{V}$ : depends only on the **distribution of the centers** of the subwavelength resonators.
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- The diagram shows a large, roughly circular domain labeled  $\Omega$ . Inside this domain, there is a regular grid of small circles, representing the centers of subwavelength resonators. The circles are arranged in a pattern that is roughly rectangular but follows the shape of the domain  $\Omega$ .
- $\omega$  **slightly below**  $\omega_M$ : **high-contrast effective  $\kappa$**   $\Rightarrow$  **superresolution imaging**: **imaginary part of the Green function** sharper peak than the free-space one.
  - $\omega$  **slightly above**  $\omega_M$ : **negative effective  $\kappa$** .
  - Effective medium theory **does not hold** at  $\omega = \omega_M$ : adding or removal of one resonator from the system affects the total field by a **magnitude  $O(\mu^{\text{in}})$** .

<sup>3</sup>with **H. Zhang**, SIAM J. Math. Anal., 2017.

# Effective medium theory

- **Dimer consisting of two identical resonators:**
  - **Two quasi-static resonances** with positive real part for the **resonator dimer**  $D$ .
- As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ ,



$$\omega_{M,1} = \sqrt{(C_{11} + C_{12})} v_r \sqrt{\delta} - i\tau_1 \delta + O(\delta^{3/2}),$$
$$\omega_{M,2} = \sqrt{(C_{11} - C_{12})} v_r \sqrt{\delta} + O(\delta^{3/2}).$$

- $\tau_1 = \frac{v_r^2}{4\pi v} (C_{11} + C_{12})^2$ .
- Resonances  $\omega_{M,1}$  and  $\omega_{M,2}$ : **hybridized** resonances of the resonator dimer  $D$ .

# Effective medium theory

- Resonator dimer: approximated as a **point scatterer** with **resonant monopole** and **resonant dipole** modes.
- For  $\omega = O(\delta^{1/2})$  and  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ ,  $|x|$ : sufficiently large<sup>4</sup>,

$$u(x) - u^{\text{in}}(x) = \underbrace{g^0(\omega)u^{\text{in}}(0)G_k(x, 0)}_{\text{monopole}} + \underbrace{\nabla u^{\text{in}}(0) \cdot g^1(\omega)\nabla G_k(x, 0)}_{\text{dipole}} + O(\delta|x|^{-1}).$$

- **Scattering coefficients:**

$$g^0(\omega) = \frac{C(1, 1)}{1 - \omega_{M,1}^2/\omega^2} (1 + O(\delta^{1/2})), \quad C(1, 1) := C_{11} + C_{12} + C_{21} + C_{22};$$

$$g^1(\omega) = (g_{ij}^1(\omega));$$

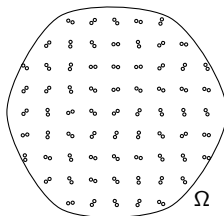
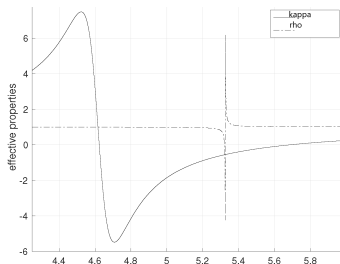
$$g_{ij}^1(\omega) = \int_{\partial D} (\mathcal{S}_D^0)^{-1}[x_i](y)y_j - \frac{\delta v_r^2}{\omega^2|D|(1 - \omega_{M,2}^2/\omega^2)} P^2 \delta_{i,1}\delta_{j,1};$$

$$P := \int_{\partial D} y_1(\psi_1 - \psi_2)d\sigma(y).$$

<sup>4</sup>with B. Fitzpatrick, H. Lee, S. Yu, H. Zhang, Quart. Appl. Math., 2019.

# Effective medium theory

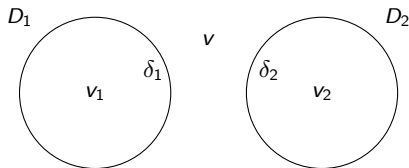
- **Double-negative** effective material properties<sup>5</sup>: **negative effective  $\kappa$  and  $\rho$**  for frequencies near the **hybridized resonant frequencies of a single dimer**.



<sup>5</sup>with B. Fitzpatrick, H. Lee, S. Yu, H. Zhang, *Quart. Appl. Math.*, 2019.

# Exceptional points

- Structures with **exceptional points** are structures where **eigenvalues and eigenmodes coincide**.
- Exceptional points** arise in **non-Hermitian** structures.
- Asymptotic exceptional points of two resonators**<sup>6</sup>:



- Parity-time-symmetric** system:  $D_1 = -D_2$  and  $v_1^2 \delta_1 = \overline{v_2^2 \delta_2}$  ( $v_i^2 = \kappa_i / \rho_i$ ).

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$$v_1^2 \delta_1 := a + ib, \quad v_2^2 \delta_2 := a - ib,$$

for  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ;  $|b|$ : magnitude of the **gain** and the **loss**.

- $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry forces the **spectrum of the capacitance matrix** to be **conjugate symmetric**.
- The operator in the PDE model: **not  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric** due to the radiation condition  $\Rightarrow$  **approximate nature** of the exceptional points.

<sup>6</sup>with B. Davies, E.O. Hiltunen, H. Lee, S. Yu, Submitted, 2020.



# Exceptional points

- Generalized capacitance matrix  $\mathcal{C} = (C_{ij})$ :

$$C_{ij} = - \int_{\partial D_i} (\mathcal{S}_D)^{-1} [\chi_{\partial D_j}] d\sigma, \quad i, j = 1, 2,$$

$$\mathcal{C} := \mathcal{V}\mathcal{C} = \frac{1}{|D_1|} \begin{pmatrix} v_1^2 \delta_1 C_{11} & v_1^2 \delta_1 C_{12} \\ v_2^2 \delta_2 C_{21} & v_2^2 \delta_2 C_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{V} := \frac{1}{|D_1|} \begin{pmatrix} v_1^2 \delta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & v_2^2 \delta_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{C}$ :

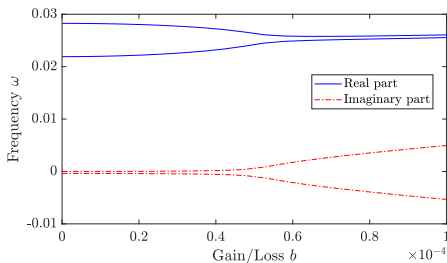
$$\lambda_i = \frac{1}{|D_1|} \left( a C_{11} + (-1)^i \sqrt{a^2 C_{12}^2 - b^2 (C_{11}^2 - C_{12}^2)} \right), \quad i = 1, 2.$$

- As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\omega_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i} + O(\delta), \quad i = 1, 2.$$

# Exceptional points

- **Asymptotic exceptional point** occurs when  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ :
  - There is a magnitude  $b_0 = b_0(a) > 0$  of the gain/loss such that  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$ , and corresponding **eigenmodes, coincide** to leading order in  $\delta$ .
  - $b_0 = \frac{aC_{12}}{\sqrt{C_{11}^2 - C_{12}^2}}$  corresponds to the point where  $\mathcal{C}$  has a **double eigenvalue** corresponding to a **one-dimensional eigenspace**.
  - $b < b_0$ :  $\sqrt{\lambda_1}$  and  $\sqrt{\lambda_2}$  are **real**, and  $\sqrt{\lambda_1} \neq \sqrt{\lambda_2}$ ;
  - $b > b_0$ :  $\sqrt{\lambda_1}$  and  $\sqrt{\lambda_2}$  are **purely imaginary**, and  $\sqrt{\lambda_1} \neq \sqrt{\lambda_2}$ ;
  - $b = b_0$ :  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  **coincide** at leading order in  $\delta$ .

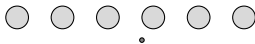


# High-order exceptional points

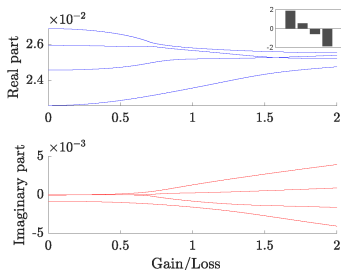
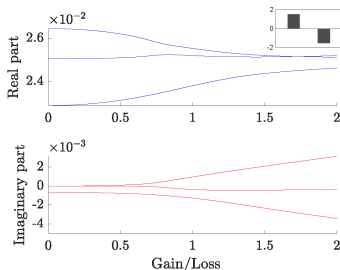
- Asymptotic  $N$ th order exceptional point:

$$\det(C - \lambda I) = (\lambda - x)^N, \quad \dim \text{Ker}(C - \lambda I) = 1.$$

- If a small particle is introduced into a structure with  $N$ th order exceptional point, the splitting in the resonant frequencies is of the same order as the  $N$ th root of the small particle's volume  $\Rightarrow$  enhanced sensing.



- $PT$ -symmetric systems with high-order exceptional points<sup>7</sup>:



<sup>7</sup>with B. Davies, E.O. Hiltunen, H. Lee, S. Yu, Studies in Appl. Math., 2021.

# Time-modulated systems of subwavelength resonators

- Wave equation in a **time-modulated structure**:

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{1}{\kappa(x, t)} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \frac{1}{\rho(x, t)} \nabla \right) u(x, t) = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Time-modulation** of the resonators:

$$\kappa(x, t) = \begin{cases} \kappa, & x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{D}, \\ \kappa_r \kappa_i(t), & x \in D_i, \end{cases}, \quad \rho(x, t) = \begin{cases} \rho, & x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{D}, \\ \rho_r \rho_i(t), & x \in D_i. \end{cases}$$

- $\rho_i(t)$  and  $\kappa_i(t)$ : **modulation** inside the  $i^{\text{th}}$  resonator  $D_i$ ;  $\rho_i, \kappa_i$ : **periodic with period  $T$** ;  $\kappa_i \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\kappa_i'(t) = O(\delta^{1/2})$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .

# Time-modulated systems of subwavelength resonators

- **Floquet transform** in  $t$ :

$$\begin{cases} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{1}{\kappa(x, t)} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \frac{1}{\rho(x, t)} \nabla \right) u(x, t) = 0, \\ u(x, t) e^{-i\omega t} \text{ is } T\text{-periodic in } t. \end{cases}$$

- **Time-Brillouin zone**:  $\omega \in Y_t^* := \mathbb{C}/(\Omega\mathbb{Z})$ ;  $\Omega = (2\pi)/T = O(\delta^{1/2})$ .
- A quasifrequency is a **subwavelength quasifrequency** if the corresponding solution is **essentially supported** in the subwavelength frequency regime:

$$u(x, t) = e^{i\omega t} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} v_n(x) e^{in\Omega t}, \quad \omega : \text{Floquet exponent},$$

where

$$\omega \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } M\Omega \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \delta \rightarrow 0,$$

for some integer-valued function  $M = M(\delta)$  such that, as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \|v_n\|_{L^2(K)} = \sum_{n=-M}^M \|v_n\|_{L^2(K)} + o(1), \quad K \text{ compact set containing } D.$$

# Time-modulated systems of subwavelength resonators

- **Capacitance matrix formulation of the problem**<sup>8</sup>:
  - As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , the **quasifrequencies**  $\omega \in Y_t^*$  are, to leading order, given by the quasifrequencies of the system of ordinary differential equations:

$$\sum_{j=1}^N C_{ij} c_j(t) = -\frac{1}{\rho_i(t)} \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{\kappa_i(t)} \frac{d(\rho_i c_i)}{dt} \right),$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ . ( $c_j(t) = e^{i\omega t} \sum_n c_{j,n} e^{in\Omega t}$ ).

- Rewrite as a system of **Hill equations**:

$$\Psi''(t) + M(t)\Psi(t) = 0.$$

- Compute the **Floquet exponents** of the Hill system of equations.

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<sup>8</sup>with [E.O. Hiltunen](#), submitted, 2020.

# Time-modulated systems of subwavelength resonators

- If  $\kappa_i(t) = 1, \rho_i(t) = \rho_1(t), t \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, \dots, N$ :

$$\Psi''(t) + C\Psi(t) = 0.$$

- $\Rightarrow$  **Static case**: Quasifrequencies  $\omega_i$  read at leading order in  $\delta$ :

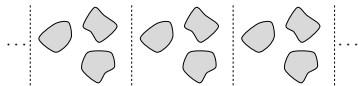
$$\omega_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}.$$

# Periodic systems of subwavelength resonators

- $d_l$ : dimension of periodicity of the lattice.  $d$ : dimension of the ambient space.  
 $P_{\perp} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d-d_l}$ : projection onto the last  $d - d_l$  coordinates.

- Three different cases:

- $d - d_l = 0$ : **crystal**;
- $d - d_l = 1$ : **screen**;
- $d - d_l = 2$ : **chain**.



- $\Lambda$ : **periodic lattice**;  $l_1, \dots, l_{d_l}$ : lattice vectors ( $P_{\perp} l_i = 0, i = 1, \dots, d_l$ ).

$$\Lambda := \{m_1 l_1 + \dots + m_{d_l} l_{d_l} \mid m_i \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

- $Y$ : **fundamental domain**

$$Y := \{c_1 l_1 + \dots + c_{d_l} l_{d_l} \mid 0 \leq c_1, \dots, c_{d_l} \leq 1\}.$$

- $\Lambda^*$ : **dual lattice** of  $\Lambda$  generated by  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{d_l}$  satisfying  $\alpha_i \cdot l_j = 2\pi \delta_{ij}$ ,  
 $P_{\perp} \alpha_i = 0, i = 1, \dots, d_l$ ;
- **Brillouin zone**  $Y^* := (\mathbb{R}^{d_l} \times \{0\}) / \Lambda^*$ ;  $\mathbf{0}$ : zero-vector in  $\mathbb{R}^{d-d_l}$ .



# Periodic systems of subwavelength resonators

- Periodically repeated  $i^{\text{th}}$  resonator  $\mathcal{D}_i$  and the full periodic structure  $\mathcal{D}$ :

$$\mathcal{D}_i = \bigcup_{m \in \Lambda} D_i + m, \quad \mathcal{D} = \bigcup_{i=1}^N \mathcal{D}_i.$$

- Floquet-Bloch theory:**

- $f(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ :  $\alpha$ -quasiperiodic, with quasiperiodicity  $\alpha \in Y^*$ , if  $e^{-i\alpha \cdot x} f(x)$ :  $\Lambda$ -periodic.
- Floquet transform:**  $\mathcal{F}[f](x, \alpha) := \sum_{m \in \Lambda} f(x - m) e^{i\alpha \cdot m}$ .
- $\mathcal{F} : L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^2(Y \times Y^*)$ : invertible with inverse

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}[g](x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d_l}} \int_{Y^*} g(x, \alpha) d\alpha, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

- $u^\alpha(x) := \mathcal{F}[u](x, \alpha)$ ; **Subwavelength spectrum**  $\sigma(\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha \in Y^*$ , of the quasiperiodic problem consists of discrete values  $\omega_i^\alpha$ :  $\sigma(\alpha) = \{\omega_i^\alpha\}$ .
- Subwavelength spectrum** of the original problem:

$$\sigma = \bigcup_{\alpha \in Y^*} \sigma(\alpha).$$

- $\alpha \mapsto \omega_i^\alpha$ : **band functions**.

# Periodic systems of subwavelength resonators

- $k = \omega/v$ :  $k \neq |\alpha + q|$  for all  $q \in \Lambda^*$ .
- **Quasi-periodic Green's function:**

$$G^{\alpha,k}(x,y) = \sum_{m \in \Lambda} \frac{e^{ik|x-y-m|}}{4\pi|x-y-m|} e^{i\alpha \cdot m}.$$

- **Uniform convergence** for  $x$  and  $y$  in compact sets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $x \neq y$ , and  $k \neq |\alpha + q|$  for all  $q \in \Lambda^*$ .
- Single layer potential associated with  $G^{\alpha,k}$ :

$$S_D^{\alpha,k}[\phi] = \int_{\partial D} G^{\alpha,k}(x,y) \phi(y) d\sigma(y).$$

- $S_D^{\alpha,k} : L^2(\partial D) \rightarrow H^1(\partial D)$  is invertible if  $k$  is small enough and  $k \neq |\alpha + q|$  for all  $q \in \Lambda^*$ .
- For  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,

$$S_D^{\alpha,k} = S_D^{\alpha,0} + O(k^2) \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow 0.$$

# Periodic systems of subwavelength resonators

- System of  $N$  resonators  $D_1, \dots, D_N$  in  $Y$ .
- **Quasiperiodic capacitance matrix**
  - For  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,  $C^\alpha = (C_{ij}^\alpha) \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$ :

$$C_{ij}^\alpha = - \int_{\partial D_i} (\mathcal{S}_D^{\alpha, 0})^{-1} [\chi_{\partial D_j}] d\sigma, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

- $C^\alpha$ : Hermitian.
- **Generalized quasiperiodic capacitance matrix**
  - For  $\alpha \neq 0$ ,  $C^\alpha = (C_{ij}^\alpha) \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$ :

$$C_{ij}^\alpha = \frac{\delta_i v_i^2}{|D_i|} C_{ij}^\alpha, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

# Periodic systems of subwavelength resonators

- Let  $d = 2, 3$ , and  $0 < d_l \leq d$ . Assume  $|\alpha| > c > 0$  for some constant  $c$  independent of  $\omega$  and  $\delta$ . As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , the  $N$  subwavelength resonant frequencies satisfy the asymptotic formula

$$\omega_n^\alpha = \sqrt{\lambda_n^\alpha} + O(\delta^{3/2}), \quad n = 1, \dots, N.$$

- $\{\lambda_n^\alpha : n = 1, \dots, N\}$ : eigenvalues of the generalized quasiperiodic capacitance matrix  $C^\alpha$ , which satisfy  $\lambda_n^\alpha = O(\delta)$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ .
- Resonant mode  $u_n^\alpha$  associated to  $\omega_n^\alpha$ :

$$u_n^\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{v}_n^\alpha \cdot \mathbf{S}_D^{\alpha,k}(x) + O(\delta^{1/2}), & x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{\mathcal{D}}, \\ \mathbf{v}_n^\alpha \cdot \mathbf{S}_D^{\alpha,k_i}(x) + O(\delta^{1/2}), & x \in \mathcal{D}_i. \end{cases}$$

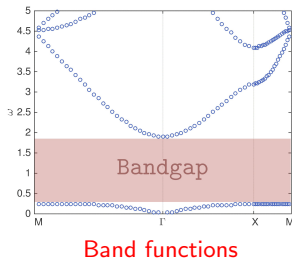
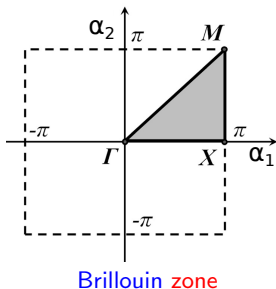
- $\mathbf{S}_D^{\alpha,k} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^N$ :

$$\mathbf{S}_D^{\alpha,k}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} S_D^{\alpha,k}[\psi_1^\alpha](x) \\ \vdots \\ S_D^{\alpha,k}[\psi_N^\alpha](x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \partial\mathcal{D},$$

with  $\psi_i^\alpha := (S_D^{\alpha,0})^{-1}[\chi_{\partial\mathcal{D}_i}]$ .

# Subwavelength bandgap opening

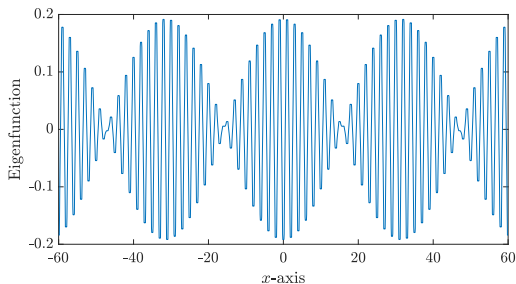
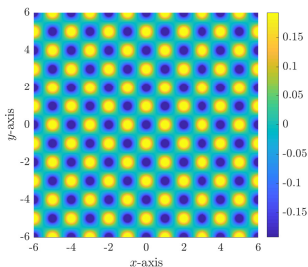
- **Square crystal** in two dimensions ( $d = d_l = 2$ )<sup>9</sup>:



<sup>9</sup>with B. Fitzpatrick, H. Lee, S. Yu, H. Zhang, J. Diff. Equat., 2017.

# Subwavelength bandgap opening

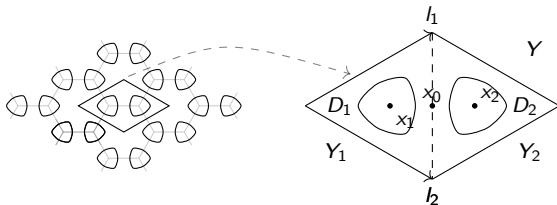
- **Two-scale behaviour** of the resonant mode of a square crystal for  $\alpha$  close to  $(\pi, \pi)$ : **rapidly oscillating** on the small scale, and a large scale envelope which satisfies a **homogenized equation**<sup>10</sup>.



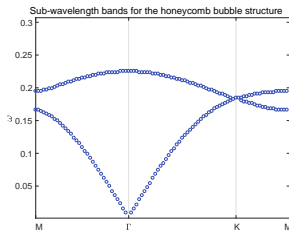
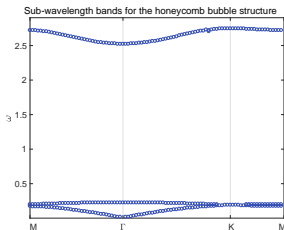
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# Honeycomb lattice of subwavelength resonators

- Honeycomb lattice:



- Subwavelength band structure:



# Honeycomb lattice of subwavelength resonators

- At  $\alpha = \alpha^*$ , the first eigenfrequency  $\omega^* := \omega(\alpha^*)$  of **multiplicity 2**.
- **Conical behavior** of subwavelength bands<sup>11</sup>: The first band and the second band form a **Dirac cone** at  $\alpha^*$ , i.e.,

$$\omega_1(\alpha) = \omega(\alpha^*) - \lambda |\alpha - \alpha^*| [1 + O(|\alpha - \alpha^*|)],$$

$$\omega_2(\alpha) = \omega(\alpha^*) + \lambda |\alpha - \alpha^*| [1 + O(|\alpha - \alpha^*|)];$$

$\lambda = |c| \sqrt{\delta} \lambda_0 \neq 0$  for sufficiently small  $\delta$ .

- **Dirac point** at  $\alpha = \alpha^*$ .

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<sup>11</sup>with B. Fitzpatrick, E.O. Hiltunen, H. Lee, S. Yu, SIAM J. Math. Anal., 2020. 



# Honeycomb lattice of subwavelength resonators

- For  $\alpha$  close to  $\alpha^*$ , **eigenmodes**:

$$\tilde{u}_1(x)S_1\left(\frac{x}{s}\right) + \tilde{u}_2(x)S_2\left(\frac{x}{s}\right) + O(\delta + s);$$

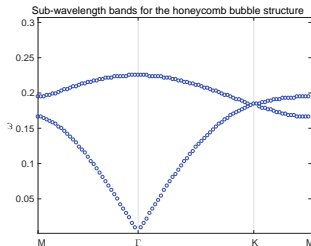
- Effective equation:  $\tilde{u}_j$  satisfies

$$|c|^2 \lambda_0^2 \Delta \tilde{u}_j + \underbrace{\frac{(\omega - \omega^*)^2}{\delta}}_{\text{near zero}} \tilde{u}_j = 0.$$

- Dirac equation**:<sup>12</sup>

$$\lambda_0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (-ci)(\partial_1 - i\partial_2) \\ (-\bar{c}i)(\partial_1 + i\partial_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}_1 \\ \tilde{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\omega - \omega^*}{\sqrt{\delta}} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}_1 \\ \tilde{u}_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

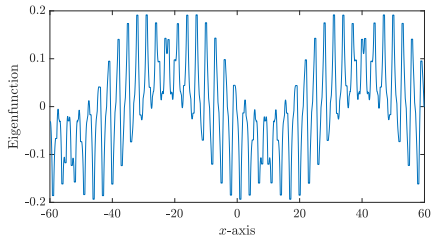
- Single **near-zero effective material property**:  $1/\kappa$  near zero;
- Zero-phase shift** propagation.
- High transmittance**: **double-zero effective material properties**  $\Leftarrow$  **Dirac cone near  $\Gamma$** .



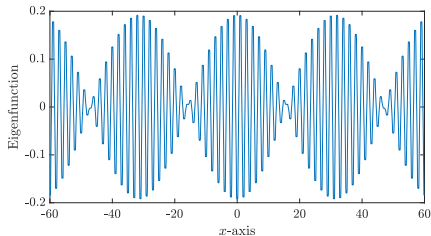
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# Honeycomb lattice of subwavelength resonators

- One-dimensional plot along the  $x$ -axis of the real part of the Bloch eigenfunction of the honeycomb lattice shown over many unit cells:



- Square lattice:



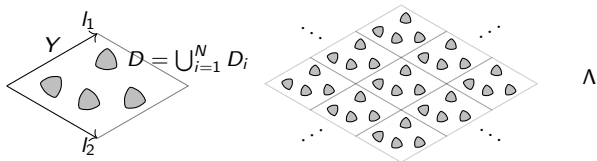
# Periodic time-modulated systems

- Wave equation in a **periodic time-modulated structure**:

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{1}{\kappa(x, t)} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \frac{1}{\rho(x, t)} \nabla \right) u(x, t) = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- $Y$ : unit cell;  $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup_{m \in \Lambda} D + m$ ;  $\mathcal{D}_i = \bigcup_{m \in \Lambda} D_i + m$ ;  $D_i, i = 1, \dots, N$ .
- Time-modulation** of the resonators:

$$\kappa(x, t) = \begin{cases} \kappa, & x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{\mathcal{D}}, \\ \kappa_r \kappa_i(t), & x \in \mathcal{D}_i, \end{cases}, \quad \rho(x, t) = \begin{cases} \rho, & x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{\mathcal{D}}, \\ \rho_r \rho_i(t), & x \in \mathcal{D}_i. \end{cases}$$



# Periodic time-modulated systems

- Floquet transform in both  $x$  and  $t$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{1}{\kappa(x,t)} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \frac{1}{\rho(x,t)} \nabla \right) u(x,t) = 0, \\ u(x,t)e^{-i\alpha \cdot x} \text{ is } \Lambda\text{-periodic in } x, \\ u(x,t)e^{-i\omega t} \text{ is } T\text{-periodic in } t. \end{array} \right.$$

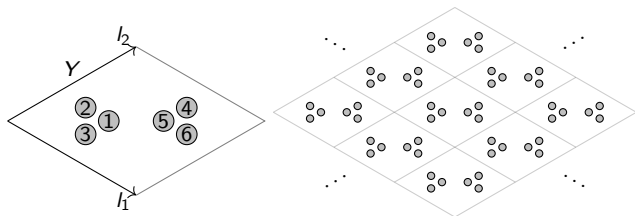
- Space-Brillouin zone:**  $\alpha \in Y^* := \mathbb{R}^d / \Lambda^*$ ; **Time-Brillouin zone:**  $\omega \in Y_t^* := \mathbb{C} / (\Omega\mathbb{Z})$ ;  $\Omega = (2\pi)/T$ .
- As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , the **quasifrequencies**  $\omega = \omega(\alpha) \in Y_t^*$  are, to leading order, given by the quasifrequencies of the system of ordinary differential equations:

$$\sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij}^\alpha c_j(t) = -\frac{1}{\rho_i(t)} \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{\kappa_i(t)} \frac{d(\rho_i c_i)}{dt} \right),$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ . ( $c_j(t) = e^{i\omega t} \sum_n c_{j,n} e^{in\Omega t}$ ).

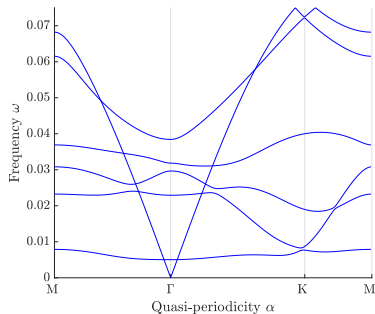
# Trimer honeycomb lattice

- Dirac cone degeneracy at  $\Gamma$  in trimer honeycomb lattice
- Fundamental domain  $Y$  now contains six resonators  $D_i$ :

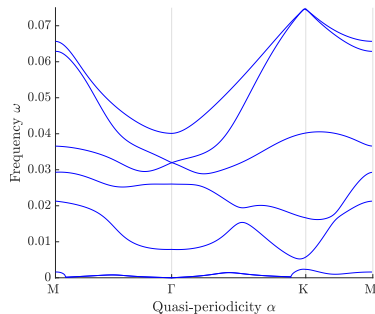


- Modulation given by  $\kappa_i(t) = 1$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 6$  and
$$\rho_1(t) = \rho_4(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon \cos(\Omega t)}, \quad \rho_2(t) = \rho_5(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon \cos(\Omega t + \frac{2\pi}{3})}, \quad \rho_3(t) = \rho_6(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon \cos(\Omega t + \frac{4\pi}{3})}, \text{ for } 0 \leq \epsilon < 1.$$

# Trimer honeycomb lattice



Unmodulated case

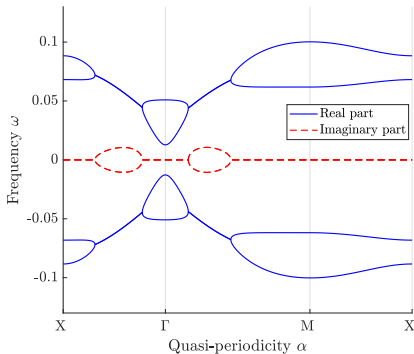
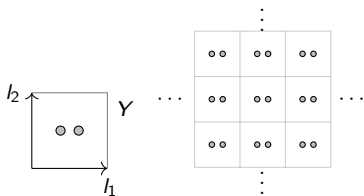


Modulated case

# Exceptional points in time-modulated systems

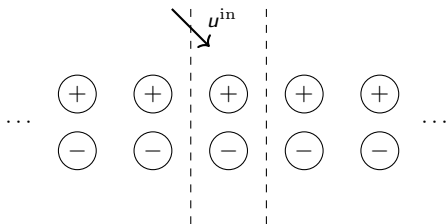
- **Exceptional point degeneracy in square lattice of dimers:**

- $\rho_1(t) = \rho_2(t) = 1, \kappa_1(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon \cos(\Omega t)}, \kappa_2(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon \cos(\Omega t + \pi)}, t \in \mathbb{R},$   
for  $0 \leq \epsilon < 1.$



# $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric screens

- Band structure and exceptional points of  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric screens (periodically repeated  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric dimers):

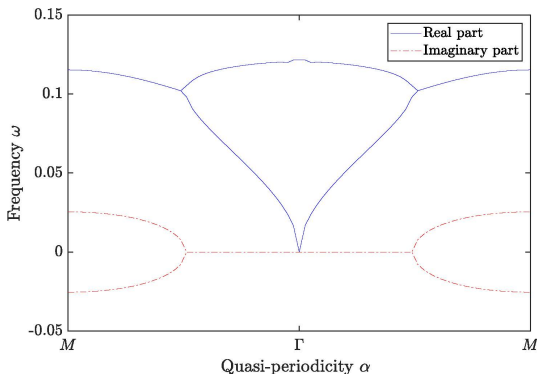


- $\omega_i^\alpha = \sqrt{\lambda_i^\alpha} + O(\delta), i = 1, 2;$   
 $\lambda_i^\alpha = (aC_{11}^\alpha \pm \sqrt{a^2|C_{12}^\alpha|^2 - b^2((C_{11}^\alpha)^2 - |C_{12}^\alpha|^2)})/|D_1|.$
- Exceptional point occurs when  $b = b_0(\alpha) = \frac{a|C_{12}^\alpha|}{\sqrt{(C_{11}^\alpha)^2 - |C_{12}^\alpha|^2}}.$
- Exceptional point depends both on the geometry and on the quasiperiodicity  $\alpha$ .



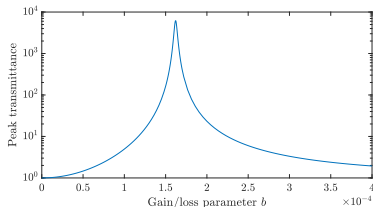
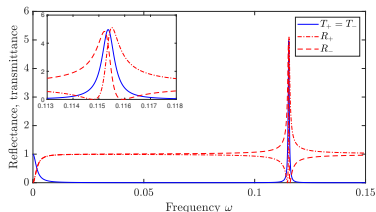
# $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric screens

- Close to  $\Gamma$ , the system is always below the exceptional point.
- For larger  $\alpha$  and for large enough  $b$ , there is a point  $\alpha_0$  where  $b = b_0(\alpha_0)$ .
- For  $\alpha$  above  $\alpha_0$ , the band structure of the system has a non-zero imaginary part and the two bands are complex conjugate to each other.



# $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric screens

- **Unidirectional transmission:** there is a frequency such that the screen's **reflection coefficient** is **asymptotically close to zero** when the incident wave is **from one side** and non-zero when the incident wave is **from the other side** of the screen.
- **Critical frequency range:** **first radiation continuum**  
 $|\alpha| < k = \omega/v < \inf_{q \in \Lambda^* \setminus \{0\}} |\alpha + q|$ .
- **Extraordinarily high transmittance:** for a critical gain/loss parameter  $b$ .
- Gain and loss allows the **scattering matrix** to be **non-unitary** and the reflectance and transmittance to exceed one.
- Compute explicit expressions for the subwavelength **band structure close to the origin**.



# Resonances in the first radiation continuum

- For any  $\alpha_0 \in Y^*$  with  $|\alpha_0| < 1/v$ ,  $(S_D^{\omega\alpha_0, \omega})^{-1}$ : **holomorphic** operator-valued function of  $\omega$  in a neighbourhood of  $\omega = 0$ :

$$(S_D^{\omega\alpha_0, \omega})^{-1} = S_0^{\alpha_0} + \omega S_{-1}^{\alpha_0} + O(\omega^2) \text{ as } \omega \rightarrow 0.$$

- Periodic capacitance matrix:** For  $\alpha_0$  with  $|\alpha_0| < 1/v$ :

$$C^0 = (C_{ij}^0) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}, \quad C_{ij}^0 = - \int_{\partial D_j} S_0^{\alpha_0} [\chi_{\partial D_i}] d\sigma.$$

- $C^0$ : **independent of  $\alpha_0$ .**
- Generalized periodic capacitance matrix:**

$$C_{ij}^0 = \frac{\delta_i v_i^2}{|D_i|} C_{ij}^0, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

- Let  $d - d_j = 1$  and assume that  $\alpha = \omega\alpha_0$  for some  $\alpha_0$  independent of  $\omega$  and  $\delta$  such that  $|\alpha_0| < 1/v$ . As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , there are  **$N$  subwavelength resonant frequencies**

$$\omega_n^\alpha = \sqrt{\lambda_n^0 + O(\delta)}, \quad n = 1, \dots, N, \quad \{\lambda_n^0\}: \text{eigenvalues of } C^0.$$

- High-order correction:**

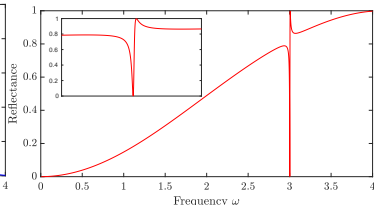
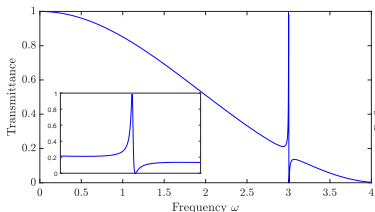
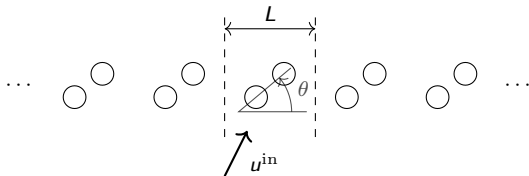
$$\det(C^0 + \omega C^{1, \alpha_0} - \omega^2 I) = 0; \quad C_{ij}^{1, \alpha_0} = -(\delta_i v_i^2 / |D_i|) \int_{\partial D_j} S_{-1}^{\alpha_0} [\chi_{\partial D_i}] d\sigma.$$

# Bound states in the continuum and Fano resonances

- Subwavelength **band structure close to the origin**.
- **Symmetric screen of dimers** repeated periodically:
  - $\omega_2$ : real and corresponds to an eigenvalue that is **embedded within the continuous radiation spectrum**, which is the spectrum of waves that can propagate into the far field.
  - **Bound state in the continuum**: eigenmode associated with this real-valued resonant frequency vanishes in the far field  $\Rightarrow$  it will not interact with incoming waves and the corresponding resonance peak will therefore not appear in the transmission spectrum.
- Symmetry broken: the real eigenvalue  $\omega_2$  will be shifted into the complex plane and the corresponding mode will be coupled to the far field.
- Design the system so that the two **resonances interfere**:  $\omega_1$  with large imaginary part.
- Derive an expression for the scattering matrix  $\Rightarrow$  demonstrate the occurrence of a **Fano-type transmission anomaly**.
- Existence of **asymmetric peaks in transmission spectra** due to the interference between a “discrete state” and a “continuum”.

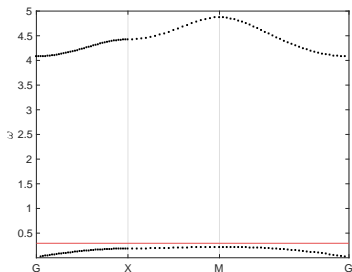
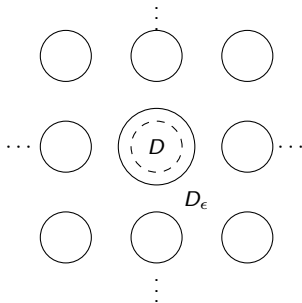
# Bound states in the continuum and Fano resonances

- Resonators arranged in a **symmetric dimer** that is **inclined at an angle of  $\theta$**  to the plane of the screen.



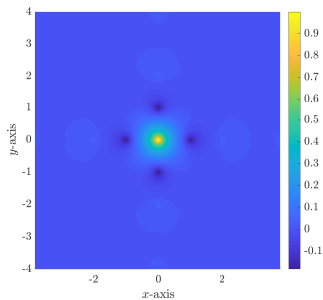
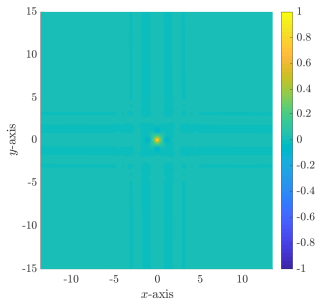
# Subwavelength defect modes

- **Defect modes:** Create a detuned resonator with an **upward shifted** resonance frequency (within the subwavelength band gap).
  - Weak interaction  $\Rightarrow$  **decrease the radius of one resonator** (from  $R$  to  $R + \epsilon$ ;  $\epsilon < 0$ );
  - Strong interaction  $\Rightarrow$  **increase the radius of one resonator** (from  $R$  to  $R + \epsilon$ ;  $\epsilon > 0$ );
  - Shift at **resonator radius = resonator separation**.



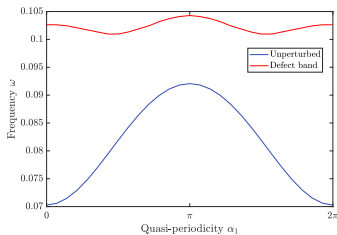
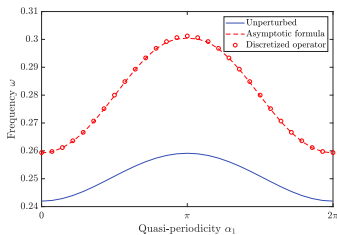
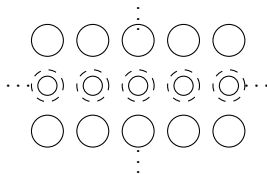
# Subwavelength defect modes

- Real part of the **defect eigenmode**:



# Subwavelength guided modes

- **Line defect:**<sup>13</sup>
- **Defect band within** the subwavelength band gap: **large** perturbation of the radius;
- **Defect modes: localized to and guided** along the line defect;
- **Absence of bound modes.**

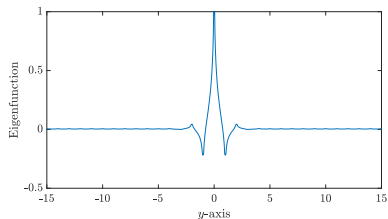
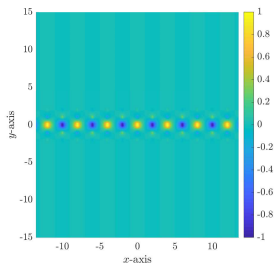


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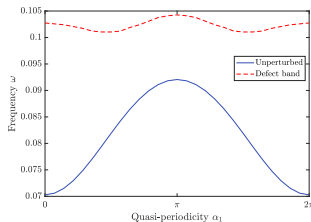
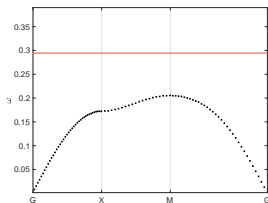
# Subwavelength guided modes

- Real part of the **defect eigenmode** for  $\alpha_1 = \pi/2$  in the dilute case. Each peak corresponds to one resonator, and the defect line is located at  $y = 0$ :



# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

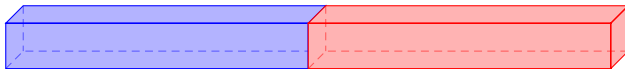
- General principle for **trapping and guiding waves at subwavelength scales**: introduce a defect to a periodic arrangement of subwavelength resonators.
- **Sensitivity** to imperfections in the crystal's design:



- **Goal**: design subwavelength wave guides whose properties are **robust** with respect to imperfections.
- **Idea**: **Topological invariant** which captures the crystal's wave propagation properties.
- **Topologically protected edge mode**.

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

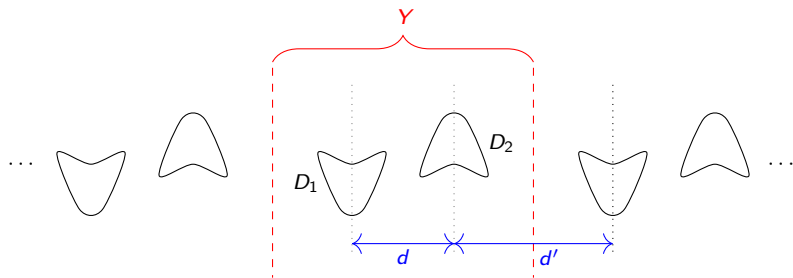
- Bulk-boundary correspondence:
  - Take two crystals with **topologically different** wave propagation properties (different values of the **topological invariant**);
  - Join half of crystal A to half of crystal B;
  - At the **interface**, a **topologically protected edge mode** will exist<sup>14</sup>.



<sup>14</sup>with B. Davies, E.O. Hiltunen, S. Yu, J. Math. Pures Appl., 2020.

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- An infinite chain of resonator dimers:<sup>15</sup>



Two assumptions of **geometric symmetry**:

- dimer is symmetric, in the sense that  $D(:= D_1 \cup D_2) = -D$ ,
- each resonator has reflective symmetry.

<sup>15</sup>Analogue of the **Su-Schrieffer-Heeger** model in **topological insulator theory** in quantum mechanics.

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- The **Zak phase**:

$$\varphi_n^z := \int_{Y^*} A_n(\alpha) d\alpha; \quad Y^* = \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z} \simeq (-\pi, \pi] \quad (\text{first Brillouin zone});$$

- **Berry-Simon connection**:

$$A_n(\alpha) := i \int_D u_n^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \bar{u}_n^\alpha dx; \quad n = 1, 2.$$

- For any  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in Y^*$ , **parallel transport** from  $\alpha_1$  to  $\alpha_2$  gives  $u_n^{\alpha_1} \mapsto e^{i\theta} u_n^{\alpha_2}$ , where  $\theta$  is given by

$$\theta = \int_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_2} A_n d\alpha.$$

- $\Rightarrow$  The **Zak phase** corresponds to **parallel transport around the whole of  $Y^*$** .

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- Quasi-periodic capacitance matrix:  $C = (C_{ij}^\alpha)_{i,j=1,2}$ .
- The Zak phase is given by the change in the argument of  $C_{12}^\alpha$  as  $\alpha$  varies over the Brillouin zone:

$$\varphi_n^z = -\frac{1}{2} [\arg(C_{12}^\alpha)]_{\gamma^*}.$$

- Further, it holds that

$$C_{12}^{\alpha'} = e^{-i\alpha} C_{12}^\alpha, \Rightarrow \text{if } d = d' \text{ then } C_{12}^\pi = 0,$$

where the prime denotes that  $d$  and  $d'$  have been swapped.

- Thus,

$$|\varphi_n^{z'} - \varphi_n^z| = \pi,$$

i.e. the cases  $d > d'$  and  $d < d'$  have different Zak phases.

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- **Dilute computations:** Assume that the dimer is a rescaling of fixed domains  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ :

$$D_1 = \epsilon B_1 - \left(\frac{d}{2}, 0, 0\right), \quad D_2 = \epsilon B_2 + \left(\frac{d}{2}, 0, 0\right),$$

for  $0 < \epsilon$ .

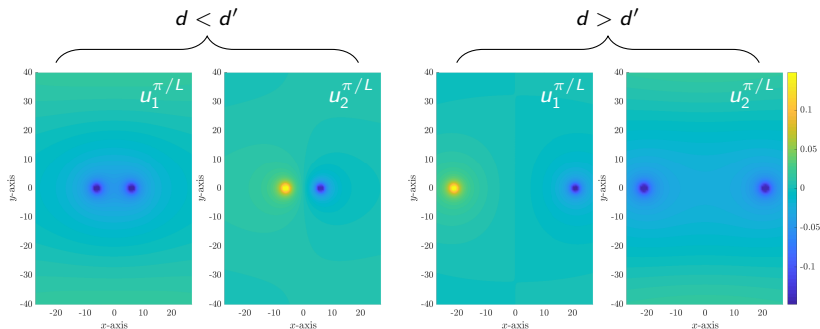
- In the **dilute regime**, as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\varphi_n^z = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } d < d', \\ \pi, & \text{if } d > d', \end{cases}$$

- There exists a **band gap** for all  $d \neq d'$ ,
- The dilute crystal has a **degeneracy** precisely when  $d = d'$ .
- The dispersion relation has a **Dirac cone** at  $\alpha = \pi$ .
- **Band inversion** occurs between  $d < d'$  and  $d > d'$ .

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- **Band inversion:**

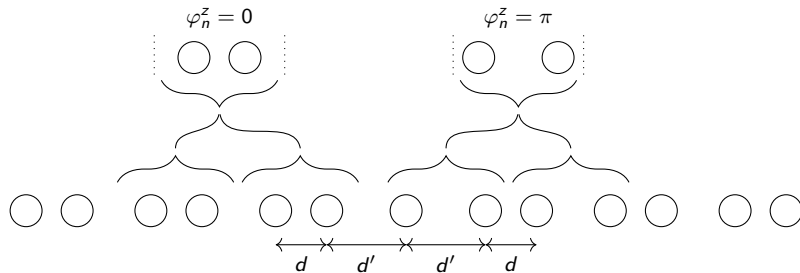


The monopole/dipole natures of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> eigenmodes have swapped between the  $d < d'$  and  $d > d'$  regimes.



# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- A finite chain of resonators



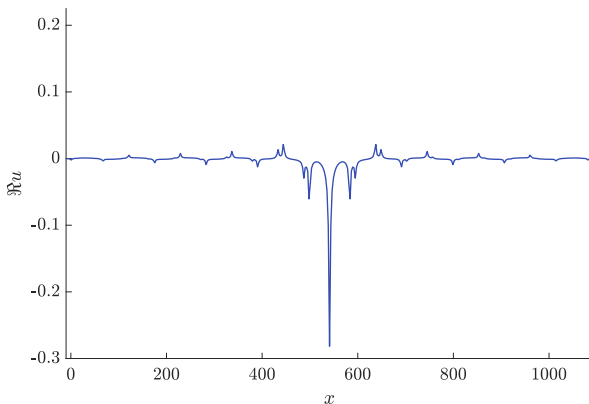
- Capacitance matrix of the finite chain  $D = \bigcup_{l=1}^N D_l$ :

$$C = (C_{ij}), \quad C_{ij} := - \int_{\partial D_j} (\mathcal{S}_D)^{-1} [\chi_{\partial D_i}], \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

- Odd number of resonators  $\Rightarrow$  odd number of eigenvalues; middle frequency: midgap frequency  $\Rightarrow$  robust to imperfections.

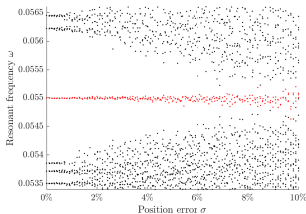
# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- **Finite chain - localisation:** There is a localized eigenmode

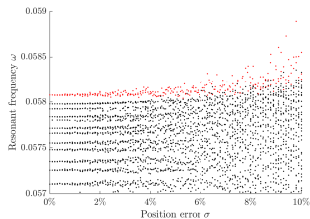


# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- **Finite chain—stability to imperfections:** Simulation of band gap frequency (red) and bulk frequencies (black) with Gaussian  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$  errors added to the resonator positions.  $\sigma$ : expressed as a percentage of the average resonator separation.
- Even for relatively small errors, the frequency associated with the point defect mode exhibits **poor stability** and is easily **lost** amongst the bulk frequencies.



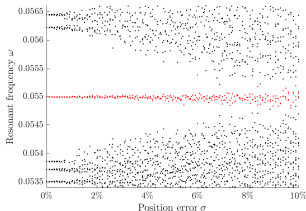
Finite chain with topological interface



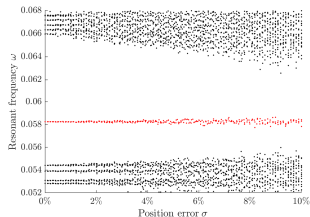
Classical, point defect chain.

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- **Finite chain - effect of diluteness.**
- The variance of each frequency is consistent across both dilute and non-dilute regimes.
- In both the dilute and non-dilute regimes, the structure supports a localized mode whose resonant frequency is in the **middle** of the band gap.
- In the dilute regime, the **nearest-neighborhood approximation**,  $C_{ij} = 0$  if  $|i - j| > 1$  **does not** give an accurate approximation  $\Rightarrow$  **significant difference** between classical wave propagation problems and topological insulator theory in quantum mechanics.



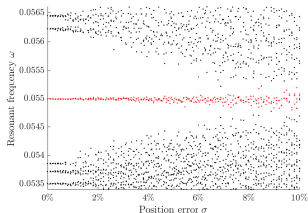
Dilute chain,  $d = 12$ ,  $d' = 42$ ,  $R = 1$



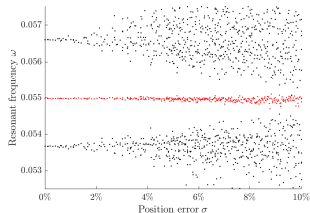
Non-dilute chain,  $d = 3$ ,  $d' = 6$ ,  $R = 1$

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- **Short finite chains:** The stable mode exists also in **very short chains** of subwavelength resonators.
- With only 9 resonators, there is a **midgap frequency** which is much **more stable** than the **bulk frequencies**.



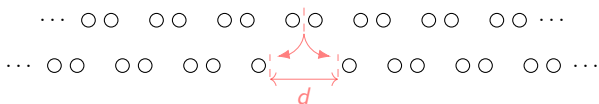
$N = 41$  resonators



$N = 9$  resonators

# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

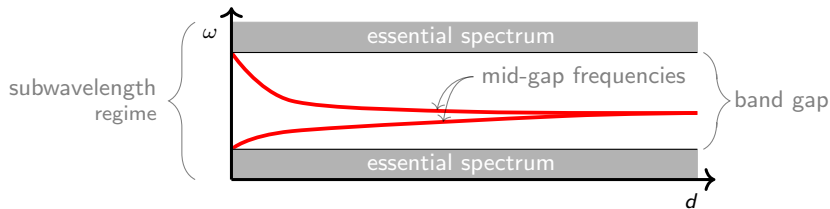
- A **second approach** for creating robust localized subwavelength modes<sup>16</sup>:
  - We start with an array of pairs of subwavelength resonators, known to have a subwavelength band gap. A **dislocation** (with size  $d > 0$ ) is introduced to create mid-gap frequencies.



<sup>16</sup>with B. Davies, E.O. Hiltunen, submitted, 2020.

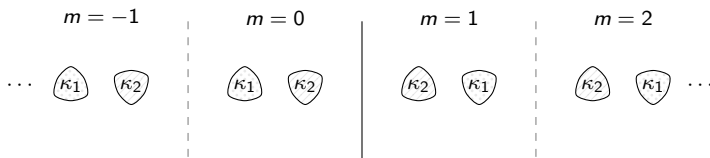
# Topological properties of Hermitian systems

- As the dislocation size  $d$  increases from zero, a **mid-gap frequency appears from each edge** of the subwavelength band gap. These two frequencies converge to a **single value within the subwavelength band gap** as  $d \rightarrow \infty$ .



# Topological properties of non-Hermitian systems

- **Edge modes in the non-Hermitian case**<sup>17</sup>:
  - **Protected edge modes** in crystals where the periodic geometry is intact, and a defect is placed in the **parameters**.
  - A topological winding number: the **non-Hermitian Zak phase**, which describes the winding of the complex eigenvalues.
  - **Exceptional point** degeneracies can open into **non-trivial band gaps** enabling **topologically protected non-Hermitian edge modes**.



<sup>17</sup>with [E.O. Hiltunen](#), submitted, 2020.



# Topological properties of non-Hermitian systems

- Generalized quasiperiodic capacitance matrix:

$$C^\alpha = \frac{1}{\rho|D_1|} \begin{pmatrix} \kappa_1 C_{11}^\alpha & \kappa_1 C_{12}^\alpha \\ \kappa_2 C_{21}^\alpha & \kappa_2 C_{22}^\alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Eigenvalues  $\lambda_j^\alpha$  of  $C^\alpha$ :

$$\lambda_j^\alpha = \frac{1}{\rho|D_1|} \left( C_{11}^\alpha \frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2}{2} + (-1)^j \sqrt{\left( \frac{\kappa_1 - \kappa_2}{2} \right)^2 (C_{11}^\alpha)^2 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 |C_{12}^\alpha|^2} \right).$$

- As  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\omega_i^\alpha = \sqrt{\lambda_i^\alpha} + O(\delta)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .
- Degeneracy to occur for small  $\delta$ :  $\lambda_1^\alpha = \lambda_2^\alpha$  at some  $\alpha \in Y^*$ .
- Non-Hermitian Zak phase:  $u_j^\alpha$ : right eigenmode;  $v_j^\alpha$ : left eigenmode corresponding to  $\overline{\omega_j^\alpha}$ ,

$$\varphi_j^{\text{zak}} := \frac{i}{2} \int_{Y^*} \left( \left\langle v_j^\alpha, \frac{\partial u_j^\alpha}{\partial \alpha} \right\rangle + \left\langle u_j^\alpha, \frac{\partial v_j^\alpha}{\partial \alpha} \right\rangle \right) d\alpha.$$

# Topological properties of non-Hermitian systems

- Hermitian counterpart of the structure is topologically trivial:

$$\varphi_j^{\text{zak}}(\text{Re}(\kappa_1), \text{Re}(\kappa_2)) = 0.$$

- $\Rightarrow$

$$\varphi_j^{\text{zak}}(\kappa_1, \kappa_2) = -\varphi_j^{\text{zak}}(\kappa_2, \kappa_1) + O(\delta), \quad \varphi_j^{\text{zak}}(\overline{\kappa_1}, \overline{\kappa_2}) = \varphi_j^{\text{zak}}(\kappa_1, \kappa_2) + O(\delta).$$

- $\Rightarrow$  If  $\kappa_1 = \overline{\kappa_2} := \kappa$ ,  $\varphi_j^{\text{zak}}(\kappa, \overline{\kappa}) = O(\delta)$ .

- Degeneracy occurs when  $\kappa_1 = \overline{\kappa_2} = \kappa$  for sufficiently large  $\kappa$ :

- $\beta_1 = C_{11}^\pi + C_{12}^\pi$ ,  $\beta_2 = 2C_{11}^0$ ;  $l = (\beta_1 + \beta_2)/(\beta_2 - \beta_1)$ .

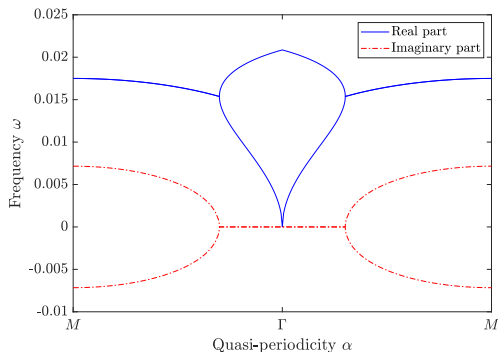
- If  $\kappa_1 = \overline{\kappa_2} := \kappa$  with  $|\text{Im}(\kappa)| \leq \frac{\text{Re}(\kappa)}{\sqrt{l^2 - 1}}$  (unbroken  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry),

the structure does not support localized modes in the subwavelength regime.

- If  $\kappa_1 = \overline{\kappa_2} := \kappa$  with  $|\text{Im}(\kappa)| > \frac{\text{Re}(\kappa)}{\sqrt{l^2 - 1}}$  (broken  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry) or if  $\kappa_1 \neq \overline{\kappa_2}$  (no  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry): characterization of the localized mode in the subwavelength regime.

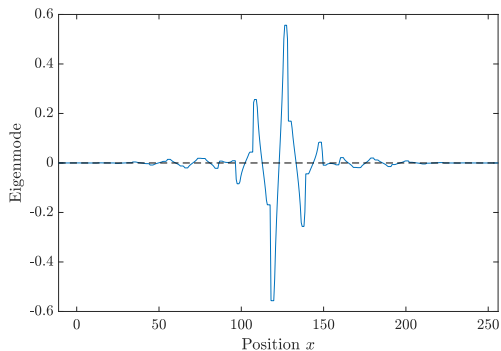
# Topological properties of non-Hermitian systems

- Non-Hermitian Zak phase: **not quantized** but can nevertheless predict the existence of localized edge modes. **Edge modes** can be achieved by **swapping  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$**  while keeping the distance between the resonators fixed.
- **Purely non-Hermitian effect:** as  $\text{Im}\kappa_1$  and  $\text{Im}\kappa_2 \rightarrow 0$ , the effect disappears.



# Topological properties of non-Hermitian systems

- Edge mode in a non-Hermitian system:



# Concluding remarks

- **Mathematical and numerical** framework for **subwavelength** wave physics: **focus, guide, manipulate, and control** waves at **subwavelength scales**.
- **Quantitative explanation** of the mechanisms behind the spectacular properties exhibited by **subwavelength resonators** in recent physical experiments.
- **Non-Hermitian** subwavelength resonators: existence and implications of **exceptional points**; **non-quantized topological invariants** to predict the existence of edge modes.
- **Time-modulated** subwavelength resonators: conceptually similar properties can arise, which nevertheless have **fundamentally different** physical implications.
- Avenue for understanding the **topological properties** of **non-hermitian** and **time-modulated** systems of subwavelength resonators.

# Concluding remarks

Classical wave problems	Quantum mechanics
PDE model	Hamiltonian
Capacitance matrix: discrete approximation of the differential problem resonant frequencies & resonant modes	
Dilute regime: approximation of the capacitance matrix	Tight-binding model: Hamiltonian: small correction to sum of Hamiltonians of single isolated atoms
Not accurate: slow decay of the off-diagonal terms of the capacitance matrix	Nearest-neighborhood approximation: Tridiagonal tight-binding matrix