

Bloch wave excitation at the edge of a lattice

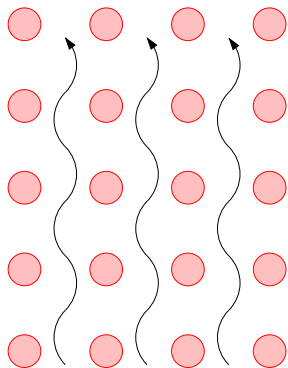
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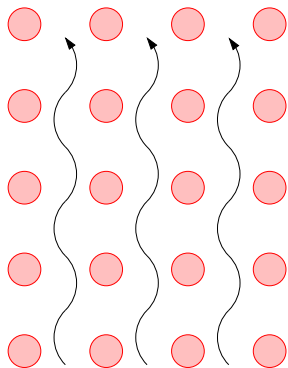
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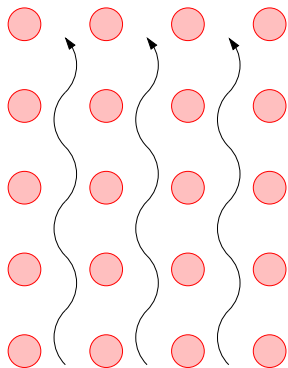
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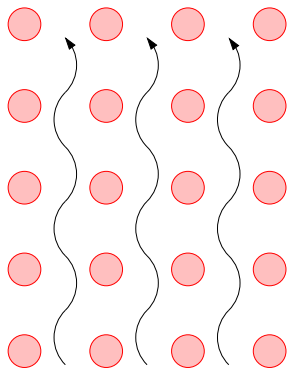


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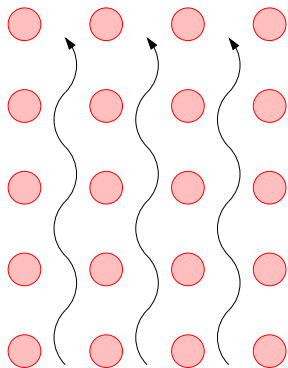
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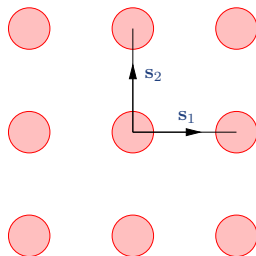


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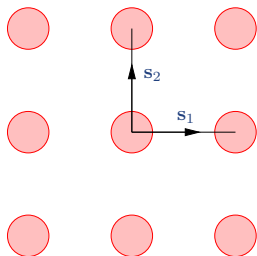
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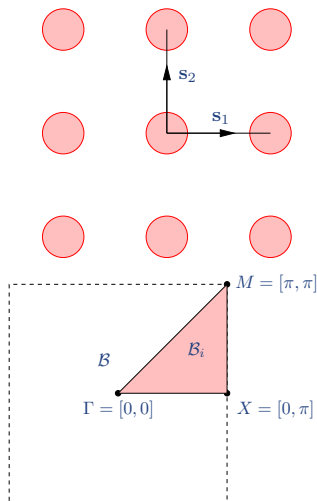
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- The irreducible Brillouin zone (IBZ) contains the shortest possible representation for each Bloch vector (X , Γ , M coords for $\mathbf{s}_1 = [1, 0]$ $\mathbf{s}_2 = [0, 1]$).



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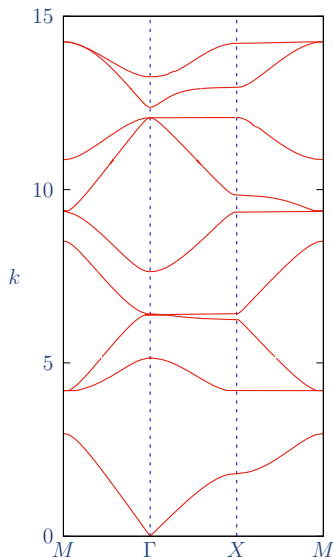
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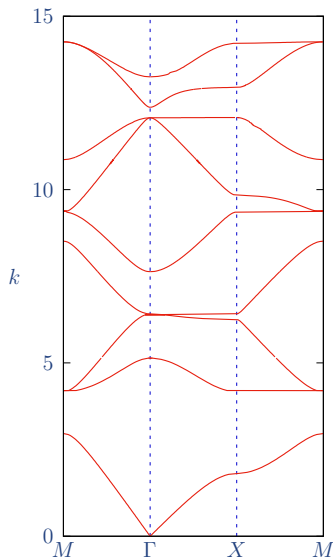
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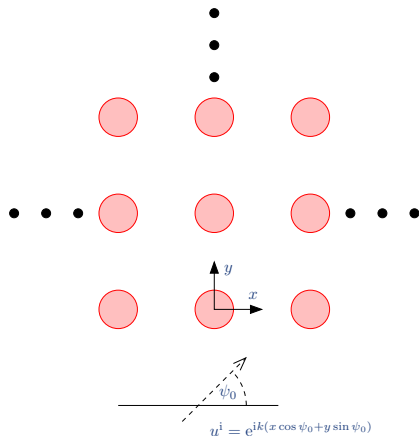
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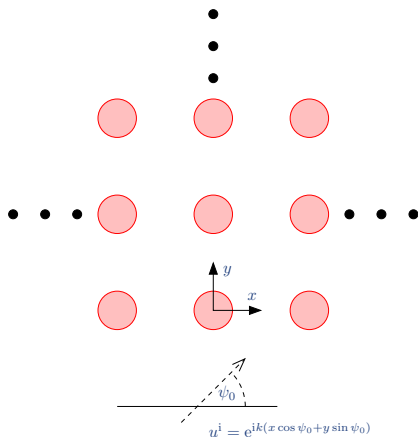
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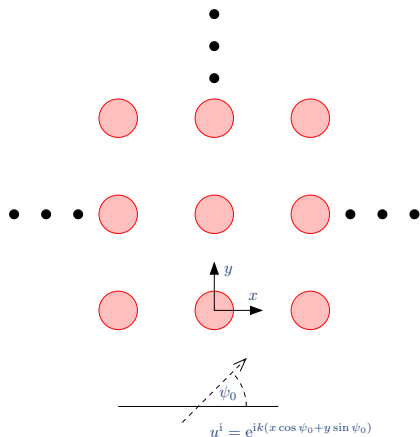
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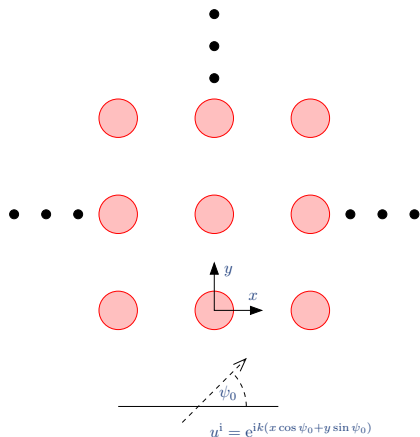
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A remark from a presentation in 2014

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Sums of this type were evaluated by Twersky in the 1960s.

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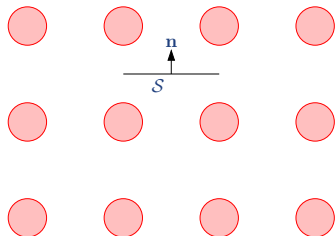
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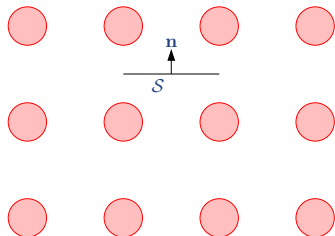
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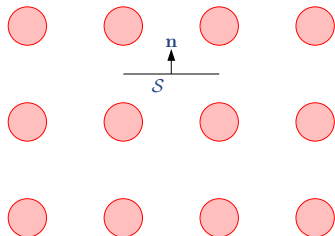
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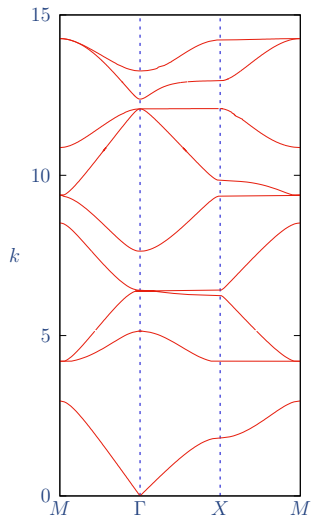
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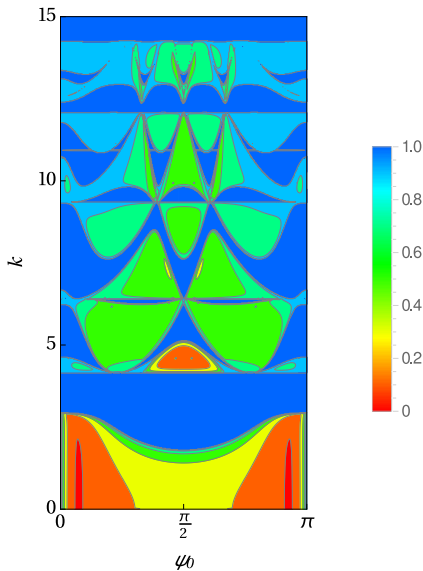
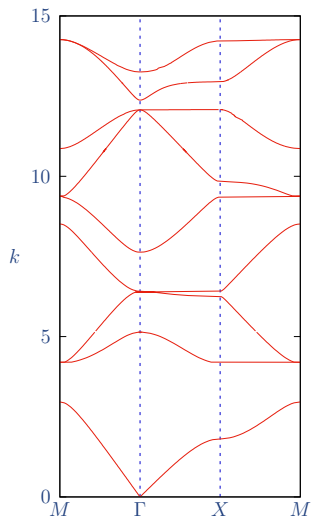
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