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# Current "sexy" topics

Spin Liquids

Geometric Frustration

Kitaev model

Quantum models with strong spin-orbit coupling (i.e. 4d and 5d elements)

Anything "Topologically non trivial"





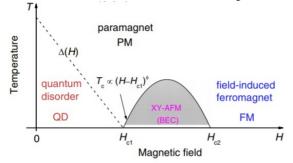






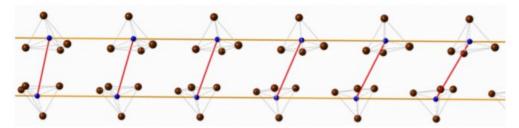
#### Realisations of interesting Hamiltonians

1D alternating chain (experimental accessibility of the condensate regime)



1D spin 3/2 chain (experimental proof of Haldane conjecture)

Almost anything to do with spin ladders





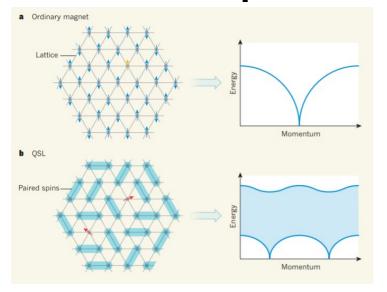


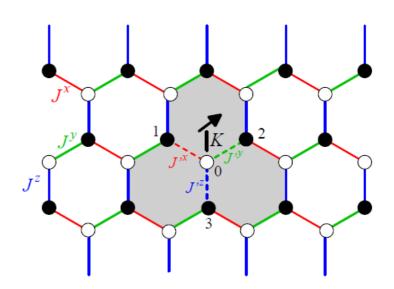






## Spin Liquids:





Outstanding issues: ideal systems, supressed contaminating interactions











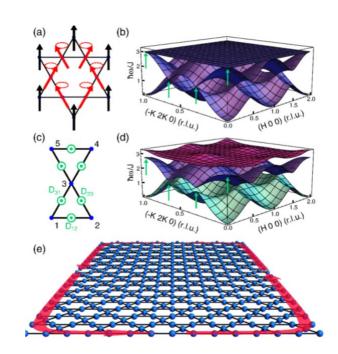
## Topological Wizardry

Dirac electrons

Topological magnons

Topological spinons

Vortex / BKT dynamics













# Major Challenges

Synthesis is, as always, a huge challenge.

Deuteration, crystal size (magnetic dilution)

Guiding synthesis with accurate predictions would help tremendously











#### Some current ideas



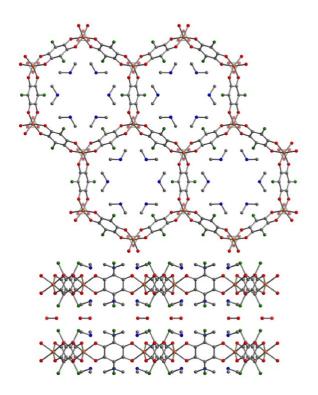


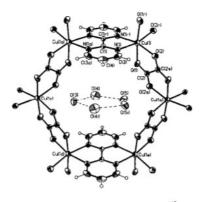


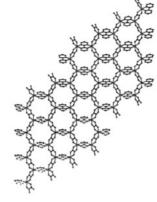




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### You are invited (March 18,











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