

# Chiral Fermion on Curved Domain-wall

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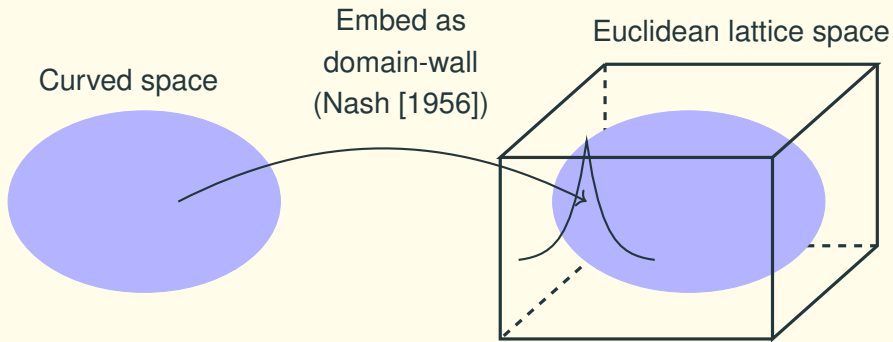
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## Motivation

We propose a lattice formulation of fermion in a curved space, embedding a curved domain-wall into a flat square lattice.



Cf. Brower et al. [2017] and Ambjørn et al. [2001] studied on triangle lattices.

## Embedding a curved space

For any  $n$ -dim. Riemann space  $(M^n, g)$ , there is an embedding  $f : M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  ( $m \gg n$ ) such that  $M^n$  is identified as

$$x^\mu = f^\mu(\tilde{x}^1, \dots, \tilde{x}^n) \quad (\mu = 1, \dots, m) \quad (1)$$
$$\left( \begin{array}{l} x^\mu : \text{Cartesian coordinates of } \mathbb{R}^m \\ \tilde{x}^i : \text{coordinates of } M^n \end{array} \right.$$

and the metric  $g$  is induced as

$$g_{ij} = \sum_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial f^\mu}{\partial \tilde{x}^i} \delta_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial f^\nu}{\partial \tilde{x}^j}. \quad (2)$$

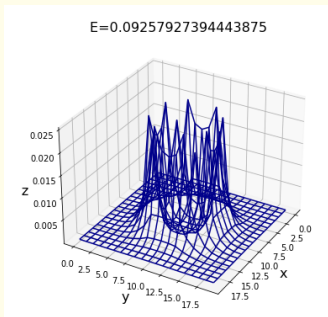
Therefore  $(M^n, g)$  can be identified as a submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

cf. Nash [1956].

# Our Work

We find that

- Edge states are localized at the curved domain-wall ( $S^1$  or  $S^2$  in this work),
- **They feel gravity** (through induced spin connection).



Cf. Similar studies in condensed matter physics [Imura et al. [2012], Parente et al. [2011]].

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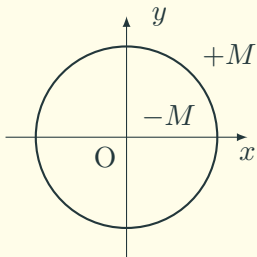
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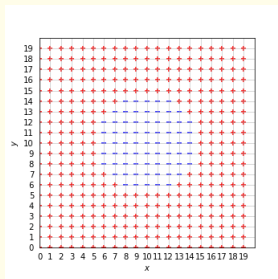
We embed an  $S^1$  domain-wall into  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and study

- Spectrum of Dirac operator,
- Edge states,
- Their effective Dirac op.

both in the continuum and on the lattice.



**Fig 1:** Continuum Case



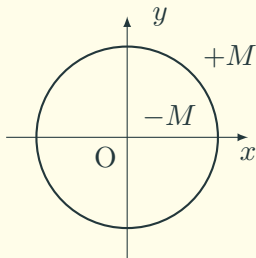
**Fig 2:** Lattice case



## Dirac op in Continuum case

The domain-wall is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_A(r) &= \text{sign}(r - r_0) \\ &= \begin{cases} -1 & (r < r_0) \\ 1 & (r \geq r_0) \end{cases},\end{aligned}$$



and the Dirac op. is

$$\begin{aligned}H &= \sigma_3 \left( \sum_{i=1,2} \left( \sigma_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right) + M\epsilon \right) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} M\epsilon & e^{-i\theta} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{i}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \\ -e^{i\theta} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{i}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) & -M\epsilon \end{pmatrix}.\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

## Edge states

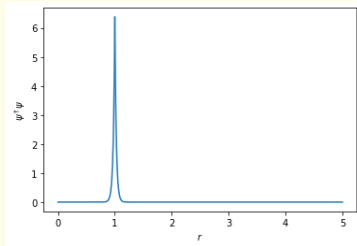
When  $M$  is large enough, edge states are

$$\psi_{\text{edge}}^{E,j} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{M}{4\pi r}} e^{-M|r-r_0|} \begin{pmatrix} e^{i(j-\frac{1}{2})\theta} \\ e^{i(j+\frac{1}{2})\theta} \end{pmatrix}.$$

They are "chiral" eigenstates of

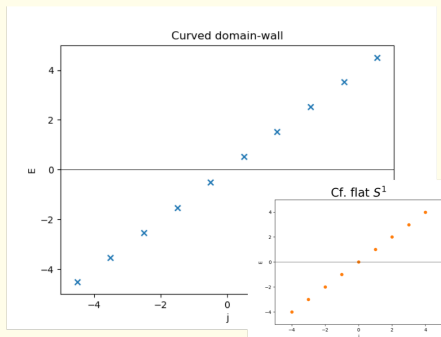
$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{\text{normal}} &:= \sigma_1 \cos \theta + \sigma_2 \sin \theta \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i\theta} \\ e^{i\theta} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

with eigenvalue  $+1$ .



**Fig 3:** Edge state when  $M = 5, r_0 = 1$

# Effective Dirac op



**Fig 4:** Eigenvalue of edge states at  $M = 5, r_0 = 1$

Effective Dirac op on the chiral edge states is

$$H_{S^1} = \frac{1}{r_0} \left( -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (4)$$

$$E = \frac{j}{r_0} \left( j = \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{3}{2}, \dots \right). \quad (5)$$

The  $\frac{1}{2}$  is identified as the **induced spin connection**.

Gravity appear as the gap of the spectrum

# Lattice domain-wall fermion

Let  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^2$  is a 2-dim. lattice. The domain-wall is given by

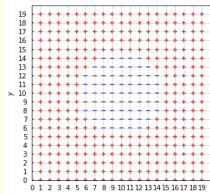
$$\epsilon(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & (|x| < r_0) \\ 1 & (|x| \geq r_0) \end{cases},$$

and the (Wilson) Dirac op is

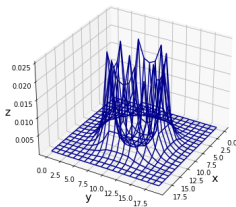
$$H = \sigma_3 \left( \sum_{i=1,2} \left[ \sigma_i \frac{\nabla_i^f + \nabla_i^b}{2} - \frac{r}{2} \nabla_i^f \nabla_i^b \right] + \epsilon M \right),$$
$$(\nabla_i^f \psi)_x = \psi_{x+\hat{i}} - \psi_x, \quad (\nabla_i^b \psi)_x = \psi_x - \psi_{x-\hat{i}}$$

where periodic boundary condition is imposed in the  $x$  and  $y$  direction.

Cf. Kaplan [1992] studied a flat domain-wall in  $\mathbb{R}^{2m+1}$

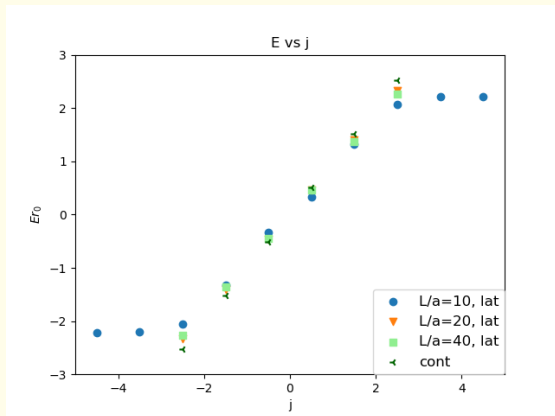


$$E=0.09257927394443875$$



**Fig 5:** Edge state

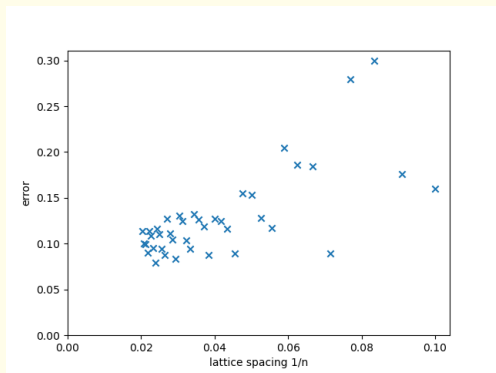
# Continuum Limit



**Fig 6:** the Dirac eigenvalue spectrum normalized by the circle radius when  $Ma = 0.7, r_0 = L/4$ .

$L$ : Lattice size  
 $a$ : lattice spacing

## Relative Error



Finite  $a$  scaling is not monotonic but decreasing.

**Fig 7:**  $\text{error} = \left| E_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{con}} - E_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{lat}} \right| / E_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{con}}$  is a relative error of  $E_{1/2}$  between continuum and lattice when  $r_0 = \frac{L}{4}$ .  $a$  is lattice distance and  $n \rightarrow \infty$  means continuum limit.

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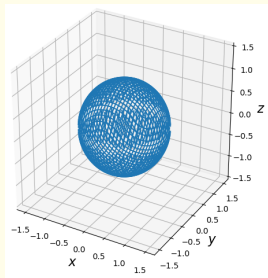
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$$\epsilon(r) = \text{sign}(r - r_0) = \begin{cases} -1 & (r < r_0) \\ 1 & (r \geq r_0) \end{cases},$$



and the Dirac op is

$$H = \gamma^0 \left( \gamma^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} + M\epsilon \right) = \begin{pmatrix} M\epsilon & \sigma^j \partial_j \\ -\sigma^j \partial_j & -M\epsilon \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$\gamma^0 = \sigma_3 \otimes 1, \gamma^j = \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma^j \quad (7)$$



## Edge states and Their spectrum

In the large M limit, edge states are

$$\psi_{\text{edge}}^{\pm E, j, j_3} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{M}{2}} \frac{e^{-M|r-r_0|}}{r} \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{j, j_3}^{(\pm)} \\ \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{x}}{r} \chi_{j, j_3}^{(\pm)} \end{pmatrix},$$
$$E \simeq \frac{j + \frac{1}{2}}{r_0} \left( j = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \dots \right)$$

Edge states are "chiral" states of

$$\gamma_{\text{normal}} := \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x^i}{r} \gamma^i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{\boldsymbol{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{r} \\ \frac{\boldsymbol{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{r} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (8)$$

with eigenvalue  $+1$ .

Effective Dirac op is obtained as

$$H_{S^2} = \frac{1}{r_0} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{L} + 1), \quad (9)$$

which acts on a two-component spinor  $\chi$ .

## Effective Dirac op and Dirac op. of $S^2$

Effective Dirac op is obtained as

$$H_{S^2} = \frac{1}{r_0}(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{L} + 1) \quad (10)$$

↓ gauge trsf. by  $s = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) & -e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) & e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} s^{-1}H_{S^2}s &= -\frac{\sigma_3}{r_0} \left( \sigma_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \sigma_2 \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\cos \theta}{2 \sin \theta} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \right) \right) \\ &= -\frac{\sigma_3}{r_0} \mathbb{D}_{S^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Spin conn. of  $S^2$

Edge states feel gravity of the spherical domain-wall

Cf. [Takane and Imura [2013]].

## Euler number of $S^2$

We get the spin connection

$$\omega_{\Delta} = -\frac{\cos \theta}{2 \sin \theta} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sin \theta d\phi = -\frac{1}{2} i \sigma_3 \cos \theta d\phi, \quad (12)$$

So the Levi-Civita connection  $\omega$  and Riemann curvature  $R$  is given by

$$\omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\cos \theta d\phi \\ \cos \theta d\phi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

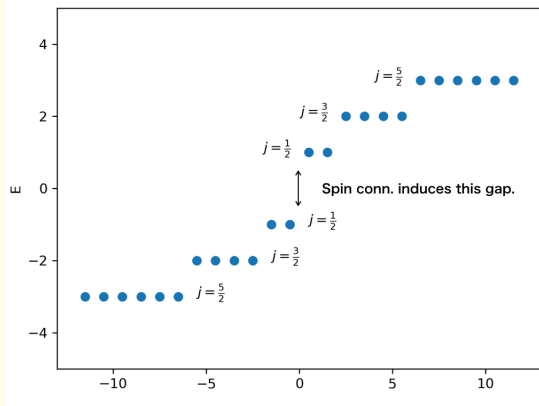
$$\frac{R}{2\pi} = \frac{d\omega + \omega^2}{2\pi} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{\sin \theta}{2\pi} d\theta d\phi \\ -\frac{\sin \theta}{2\pi} d\theta d\phi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (14)$$

Euler class of  $S^2$

The Euler number of  $S^2$  is identified as

$$\chi(S^2) = \int_{S^2} \frac{\sin \theta}{2\pi} d\theta d\phi = 2. \quad (15)$$

# Induced gravity makes a gap in the spectrum.



**Fig 8:** Spectrum of edge states when  $M = 5, r_0 = 1$

Eigenvalue

$$E \simeq \pm \frac{j + \frac{1}{2}}{r_0} \quad (16)$$

Degeneracy

$$2j + 1 \quad (17)$$

$$(\text{Euler number of } S^2) = 2$$

# Lattice Domain-wall Fermion

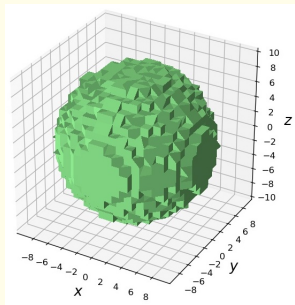
Let  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^3$  is a 3-dim. lattice. The domain-wall is given by

$$\epsilon(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & (|x| < r_0) \\ 1 & (|x| \geq r_0) \end{cases},$$

and the (Wilson) Dirac op is

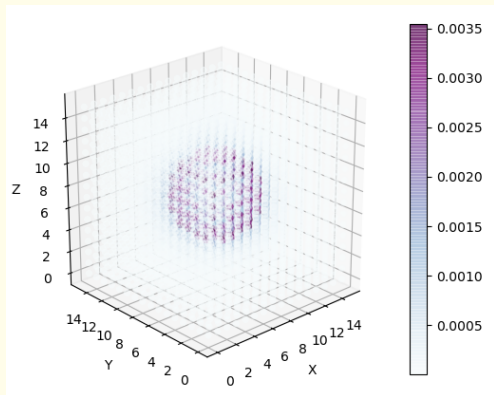
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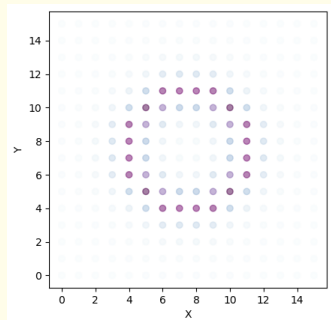


**Fig 9:**  $S^2$  Domain-wall on lattice

## Edge states



**Fig 10:** Edge state localized at  $S^2$  when  $M=0.7$  and lattice size =  $16^3$



**Fig 11:** Slice at  $z = 7$



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We have considered  $S^1$  and  $S^2$  as a curved domain-wall on square lattice. We have confirmed that

- Chiral edge-localized states appear at the domain-wall.
- They feel gravity through the induced spin connection.

# Outlook

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- Systematics in the continuum limit
- Gravitational anomaly inflow.
- Index theorem with a nontrivial curvature.

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Appendix

## Effective Dirac op

We consider a normalized edge state as

$$\psi_{\text{edge}} = \rho(r) \begin{pmatrix} \chi(\theta) \\ e^{i\theta} \chi(\theta) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \chi(\theta + 2\pi) = \chi(\theta) \quad (18)$$

$$\int_0^\infty dr 2r \rho^2 = 1, \quad \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \chi^\dagger \chi = 1 \quad (19)$$

and let  $2r\rho^2 \rightarrow \delta(r - r_0)$  ( $M \rightarrow \infty$ ). Then we obtain

$$\int dx dy \psi_{\text{edge}}^\dagger H \psi_{\text{edge}} \rightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \chi^\dagger \frac{1}{r_0} \left( -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \chi \quad (20)$$

  
Effective Dirac op  $H_{S^1}$  !!

The factor  $\frac{1}{2}$  means induced spin connection.

## Effective Dirac op

We consider a normalized edge state as

$$\psi_{\text{edge}} = \rho(r) \begin{pmatrix} \chi(\theta, \phi) \\ \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{r} \chi(\theta, \phi) \end{pmatrix} \quad (21)$$

$$\int_0^\infty dr r^2 2\rho^2 = 1, \quad \int_{S^2} \chi^\dagger \chi = 1, \quad (22)$$

and we assume  $2r^2\rho^2 \rightarrow \delta(r - r_0)$  ( $M \rightarrow \infty$ ). Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int dx^3 \psi_{\text{edge}}^\dagger H \psi_{\text{edge}} &= \int_0^\infty dr 2r^2 \rho^2 \int_{S^2} \chi^\dagger \frac{1}{r} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{L} + 1) \chi \\ &\rightarrow \int_{S^2} \chi^\dagger \frac{1}{r_0} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{L} + 1) \chi \quad (M \rightarrow \infty), \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

  
Effective Dirac op  $H_{S^2}$  !!

where  $\mathbf{L}$  is an orbital angular momentum.

## Effective Dirac op and Dirac op. of $S^2$

The gauge transformation using

$$s = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) & -e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) & e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \end{pmatrix} \quad (24)$$

changes  $\chi \rightarrow s^{-1}\chi$  and

$$\begin{aligned} H_{S^2} &\rightarrow s^{-1} H_{S^2} s \\ &= \frac{1}{r_0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} + \frac{i}{\sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} + \frac{i}{\sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{\sigma_3}{r_0} \left( \sigma_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} + \sigma_2 \left( \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} - \frac{\cos\theta}{2\sin\theta} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \right) \right) \\ &= -\frac{\sigma_3}{r_0} \mathbb{D}_{S^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Spin conn. of  $S^2$

Edge states are affected by the spin connection of the spherical domain-wall [Takane and Imura [2013]].

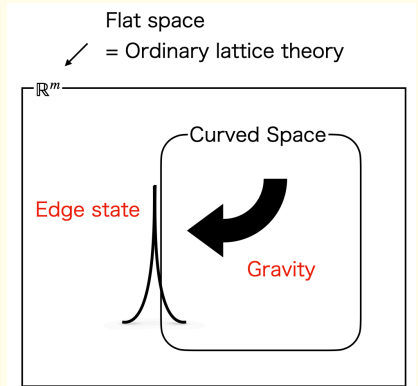
# Goal

Embed  $S^1, S^2$  into a square lattice.

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Curved domain-wall



- Edge states appear !
- They feel gravity !





# Motivation

It is too difficult to consider a lattice theory on a curved space.  
If we use

- A square lattice  
→ A curved space can NOT be approximated by it.
- Triangulation [Ambjørn et al. [2001]]  
→ Lattice regularization is different from of lattice gauge theory.



**Fig 13:** Triangulation of a toy<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup><https://12px.com/blog/2014/02/delaunay/>

## Main result

- Edge states appear at the curved domain-wall,
- They feel gravity or curvature through the induced spin connection.

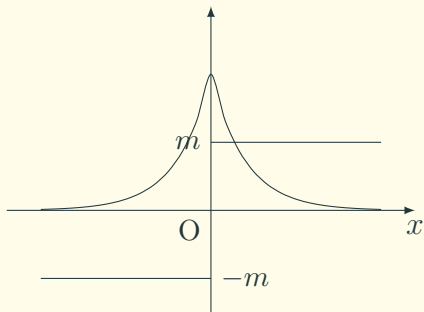
Cf. Similar studies in condensed matter physics.[Imura et al. [2012], Parente et al. [2011]].

## Domain-wall and edge states

If the sign of mass is flipped as

$$\epsilon(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & (x < 0) \\ 1 & (x > 0) \end{cases},$$

then localized states appear at  $x = 0$ .



**Fig 14:** Edge state localized at the domain-wall.