Discovering momentum-dependent magnon spin texture in insulating antiferromagnets: Role of the Kitaev interaction

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We theoretically show that the Kitaev interaction generates a novel class of spin texture in the excitation spectrum of the antiferromagnetic insulator found in the Kitaev-Heisenberg-Γ model. In conducting electronic systems, there is a series of vortex type of spin texture along the Fermi surface induced by Rashba and Dresselhaus spin-orbit couplings. Such spin textures are rarely found in magnetic insulators, since there had been no systematic ways to control the kinetics of its quasiparticle called magnon using a magnetic field or spatially asymmetric exchange couplings. Here, we propose a general framework to explore such spin textures in arbitrary insulating antiferromagnets. We introduce an analytical method to transform any complicated Hamiltonian to the simple representation based on pseudo-spin degrees of freedom, which couples to the momentum-dependent fictitious “Zeeman field”. The direction of the pseudo-spin on a Bloch sphere describes the degree of contributions from the two magnetic sublattices to the spin moment carried by the magnon. There, the “Zeeman field” determines the direction of the pseudo-spin and thus becomes the control parameter of the spin texture, which is explicitly described by the original model parameters. The framework enabled us to clarify the uncovered aspect of the Kitaev interaction, and further provides a tool to easily design or explore materials with intriguing magnetic properties. Since these spin textures can be a source of a pure spin current, the Kitaev materials $A_2\text{PrO}_3$ ($A=$Li, Na) shall become a potential platform of power-saving spintronics devices.

I. INTRODUCTION

Exploring kaleidoscopic spin textures in crystalline solids is currently one of the most attractive topics in condensed matter physics, since it serves as the source of a wide variety of intriguing phenomena. In multiferroics, noncollinear spin textures such as spiral orders couple to an electric polarization, which enables the control of the polarization by a magnetic field in TbMnO$_3$ Noncoplanar spin textures, which are realized in skyrmion crystals MnSi$_2$ or pyrochlore magnets $A_2\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_4$ ($A=$Sm, Nd) couple to electrons in a more sophisticated manner; they produce an effective U(1) gauge field that works on an electron motion and generate a topological Hall effect.

Spin textures emerge also in momentum space as a consequence of electronic spin-orbit coupling (SOC). When a spatial-inversion symmetry is broken in bulk crystals or near the surface of materials, Rashba and Dresselhaus SOC’s are typically induced, which give rise to momentum-dependent vortex and antivortex spin textures at the Fermi level. These textures offer us an exciting playground to manipulate spins by an electric current, e.g. by spin torques or spin-valves, a spin field-effect transistor. Also, when such spin-textured band is shifted by the current, the spin is polarized throughout the sample, which is called inverse spin galvanic effect or Edelstein effect. However, the injection of electric currents is inextricably linked to Joule heating, which is unfavorable for device applications. Recently, there has been a growing interest in making use of magnetic insulators as replacements, aiming to utilize the dissipationless spin current instead.

In magnetic insulators, the kinetic motion of electrons is lost. However, the effect of SOC still exists, as it is transformed into an antisymmetric exchange between localized spins, called Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya (DM) interaction. One essential feature of this interaction is that it affects the kinetic motion of magnons, charge-neutral quasiparticles carrying spin-1. In insulating ferromagnets such as $A_2\text{V}_2\text{O}_7$ ($A=$Lu, Ho, In) and Cu(1-3,bdc), the DM interaction generates an effective U(1) gauge field, which is transcribed into a Berry curvature in momentum space, and then becomes the origin of a thermal Hall effect and topologically protected surface magnons.

More recently, the role of DM interaction turned out to be far richer in insulating antiferromagnets; there are two species of magnons belonging to two magnetic sublattices, which can be regarded as “up” and “down” pseudo-spins in analogy with electronic spins. Then, the DM interaction couples the pseudo-spins with the kinetic motion of magnons in a similar manner to the SOC that couples the spins and the momentum of electrons. Indeed, various tunable spin textures on magnon bands in momentum space are found in $\text{IrO}_2$ and square-lattice antiferromagnets, which are the models of Ba$_2\text{XGe}_2\text{O}_7$ ($X=$Co, Mn) and Cu(1-3,bdc); it can be regarded as a magnonic Rashba-Dresselhaus effect. Also, on a honeycomb lattice, a spin Nernst effect occurs by the DM interaction, whose origin can be understood in a similar context.

The DM interaction is not the only outcome the Kitaev models and related materials, iridium oxides $A_2\text{IrO}_3$ ($A=$Li, Na) and ruthenium chloride α-
RuCl\textsubscript{3}\textsuperscript{0.3} have been extensively studied. The Kitaev model is exactly solvable and is known to host a $\mathbb{Z}_2$ spin-liquid ground state, characterized by the fractionalization of spins into Majorana fermions and $\mathbb{Z}_2$ fluxes. However, in the above-mentioned materials, there also exist a Heisenberg exchange interaction and a so-called $\Gamma$-term, which together replace the expected spin-liquid phase with the magnetically-ordered phase at low temperatures in reality.

In the present paper, we propose that this lowest-temperature state of the Kitaev materials can be more than just a simple ordered antiferromagnet. An exotic spin texture is found in its magnon excitation spectrum, whose origin is the spatially anisotropic Kitaev interaction. This finding is made possible by the framework we propose together in this paper. As a standard treatment for an arbitrary Hamiltonian of insulating antiferromagnets with a long-range magnetic order, a bosonic Bogoliubov-de Gennes (BdG) Hamiltonian is derived, which describes a magnon excitation at low energies. We construct a systematic way to exactly transform this bosonic BdG Hamiltonian to the representation based on the pseudo-spin degrees of freedom. Classifying the symmetry of a pseudo-spin state immediately tells us analytically what parameter in the original model works to generate spin textures in what condition. We demonstrate the usefulness of our framework, choosing the antiferromagnets in 1D and on a honeycomb lattice with DM interactions as examples.

Analyzing the excitation of the Kitaev model is not simple, in contrast to its ground state. Nevertheless, we show analytically that the Kitaev interaction almost always generates intriguing spin textures, and the $\Gamma$-term assists their variation in momentum space. The excitation of the Kitaev model is exactly solvable and is known to host a spin-liquid ground state, characterized by the fraction-

II. SPIN TEXTURE IN MOMENTUM SPACE

A. Electrons in metals

As a prototype reference, we first show how the spin textures are formed in momentum space in the case of electronic systems with SOC. The Bloch Hamiltonian of electrons in solids with a single orbital per sites can be written as

$$H(k) = R^\mu(k)\sigma^\mu + R(k) \cdot \sigma,$$

(1)

where $R(k) = (R^x(k), R^y(k), R^z(k))$ and $R^\mu(k) \in \mathbb{R}$ $(\mu = 0, x, y, z)$, $\sigma^0$ is the unit matrix, and $\sigma = (\sigma^x, \sigma^y, \sigma^z)$ is the Pauli matrix representing the electron spin degrees of freedom. In the absence of SOC, the up and down electron spins do not couple so that $R(k) = 0$.

By solving the eigenvalue equation of $H(k)$,

$$H(k)w^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k) = \varepsilon^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k)w^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k),$$

(2)

we obtain the energy bands $\varepsilon^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k) = R^0(k) \pm |R(k)|$. The two bands split when $|R(k)| \neq 0$ as shown in Fig. 1(a). The degree of splitting depends on $k$, and $R(k)$ can be regarded as an effective $k$-dependent "Zeeman field". This field points in the $R(k) = |R(k)|/|R(k)|$ direction, so that the upper and lower bands carry the spins that are pointing in the $\pm R(k)$ directions, which is indeed evaluated for each eigenstate $w^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k)$ as

$$S^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k) = \frac{1}{2} \{w^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k)\}^\dagger \sigma w^{\text{(el)}}_{\pm}(k) = \pm \frac{1}{2} R(k).$$

(3)

A momentum-dependent spin texture thus emerges when the direction of the "Zeeman field" varies with $k$:

$$\hat{R}(k) \neq \text{const.}$$

(4)

Indeed the Hamiltonian including the Rashba and Dresselhaus SOC terms gives $R(k) = (-\alpha k_y, \alpha k_x, 0)$ and $(-\beta k_x, \beta k_y, 0)$, respectively, with the coupling constant $\alpha$ and $\beta$. Since $R(k)$ rotates with $k$ in the $xy$-plane, the vortex/anti-vortex type of spin texture emerges in momentum space.

In the multi-orbital systems, the Bloch Hamiltonian is described by a $2n \times 2n$ $(n > 2)$ Hermitean matrix. Therefore, the simple picture about the coupling of spins with momentum, obtained in Eq. (4), no longer applies. However, such seemingly complicated Hamiltonian can be formally reduced to the simple form of Eq. (4), if we adopt the Brillouin-Wigner formalism. This formalism was used to clarify the analytical condition for Dirac band dispersions in electronic systems. For later convenience, we consider the case of $n = 2$, whose Hamiltonian and its retarded Green function can be generally written as

$$H(k) = \sum_{\mu, \nu=0, x, y, z} h^{\mu\nu}(k)\tau^\mu \otimes \sigma^\nu = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11}(k) & H_{12}(k) \\ H_{21}(k) & H_{22}(k) \end{bmatrix},$$

(5)
\( G^{(el)}(k, \varepsilon) = [\varepsilon \sigma^0 - H(k)]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} G_{11}(k, \varepsilon) & G_{12}(k, \varepsilon) \\ G_{21}(k, \varepsilon) & G_{22}(k, \varepsilon) \end{pmatrix} \),

where \( h_{\mu n}(k) \), \( \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R} \) and \( \tau^\mu \) (\( \mu = 0, x, y, z \)) denotes the unit and Pauli matrices acting on the orbital space. \( H_{lB}(k) \) and \( H_{lI}(k, \varepsilon) \) are the 2\times2 matrices, and \( l = 1, 2 \) is the orbital index. The pole and residue of \( G^{(el)}(k, \varepsilon) \) give all the eigenvalues and eigenstates of \( H(k) \). The Green function in the subspace of the \( l = 1 \) orbital, \( G_{11}(k, \varepsilon) \), also gives all the eigenvalue and eigenstates projected onto the \( l = 1 \) subspace. Thus, we can obtain the effective Hamiltonian for \( l = 1 \) orbital as

\[
G_{11}(k, \varepsilon) = [\varepsilon \sigma^0 - H_{l\text{eff}}^{-1}(k, \varepsilon)]^{-1},
\]

One can formally solve the eigenvalue equation of Eq. (8) as we did in Eq. (2), and the solution is obtained in the following form,

\[
\varepsilon = R_{l=1}^0(k, \varepsilon) \pm \left| R_{l=1}(k, \varepsilon) \right|,
\]

where both sides of the equation include the parameter \( \varepsilon \), that takes the same value in principle. The vector \( R_{l=1}(k, \varepsilon^{(el)}(k)) \) represents the contribution from the \( l = 1 \) orbital to the electron spin at the band-\( n \). The actual value of the energy \( \varepsilon = \varepsilon^{(el)}(k) \) is obtained by solving Eq. (9), which is equivalent to obtaining the eigenvalue of Eq. (8). However, even by keeping \( \varepsilon \) unknown, one can formally regard \( R_{l}(k, \varepsilon) \) as an effective \( k \)-dependent “Zeeman field” that splits the energy bands carrying spins come from the \( l \)-orbital, pointing in the directions, \( \pm R_l(k, \varepsilon^{(el)}(k)) \). The necessary condition to have a momentum-dependent spin texture is given by \( R_{l}(k, \varepsilon^{(el)}(k)) \neq \text{const.} \)

### B. Insulating antiferromagnets

#### 1. Bosonic BdG Hamiltonian

Let us consider a generic two-sublattice antiferromagnetic insulator, whose Hamiltonian \( \tilde{H} \) is written in terms of a spin operator \( \tilde{S}_l \) on a site \( l \), e.g. a Heisenberg model, XXZ model, and so on. We confine ourselves to the case where the system has a long-range magnetic order in the ground state. The magnetic unit cell consists of two sublattices, \( A \) and \( B \), and the directions of the classical spins on these sublattices are given by the unit vectors denoted as \( \hat{M}_A \) and \( \hat{M}_B \), which are determined in advance so as to minimize the energy of the classical ground state of the Hamiltonian. In the spin-wave theory, the quantum fluctuation that represents the excitation from this ground state is described by the Holstein-Primakoff bosons \( \hat{a}_i / \hat{b}_i \)

defined on the sites belonging to the sublattice \( A/B \). The spin moment at a site \( i \in A \) shrinks as

\[
\langle \hat{S}_i \rangle = \left( S - \langle \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_i \rangle \right) M_A,
\]

where \( S \) is the spin quantum number and \( \langle \cdots \rangle \) is the expectation value in terms of some target excited state or a mixed state at finite temperature. The expectation value of the spin at a site \( i \in B \) can also be obtained in a similar manner.

The effective low-energy Hamiltonian takes the quadratic form, \( \tilde{H} \simeq \tilde{H}_{\text{sw}} + \text{const.} \), with \( \tilde{H}_{\text{sw}} \) given by

\[
\tilde{H}_{\text{sw}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \hat{\Phi}(k) \tilde{H}_{\text{BdG}}(k) \hat{\Phi}(k),
\]

where \( \hat{\Phi}(k) = (\hat{a}_k \hat{b}_k, \hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{b}_k, \hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{b}_k, \hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{b}_k)^T \) is the Fourier transform of \( \hat{a}_i / \hat{b}_i \). The bosonic BdG Hamiltonian \( \tilde{H}_{\text{BdG}}(k) \) is the \( 4 \times 4 \) Hermitian matrix, and it can be generally expressed as

\[
\tilde{H}_{\text{BdG}}(k) = \begin{pmatrix} \Xi(k) & \Delta(k) \\ \Delta^*(k) & -\Xi^*(k) \end{pmatrix},
\]

where \( \Xi(k) \) and \( \Delta(k) \) are the \( 2 \times 2 \) matrices satisfying \( \Xi^\dagger(k) = \Xi(k) \) and \( \Delta^\dagger(k) = -\Delta(k) \). Magnon bands \( \epsilon_\pm(k) \) and corresponding eigenvectors \( \mathbf{r}_\pm(k) = (u_{\pm,A}(k), u_{\pm,B}(k), v_{\pm,A}(k), v_{\pm,B}(k))^T \) can be obtained by solving the eigenvalue equation of the non-Hermitian matrix \( \Sigma^2 \tilde{H}_{\text{BdG}}(k) \) with \( \Sigma^2 = \sigma^0 \otimes \sigma^0 \), where \( \sigma^\mu \) and \( \sigma^\nu \) are the unit and Pauli matrices acting on a particle-hole and sublattice space, respectively (see Appendix A). The local spectral weight, namely the local density of the eigenstates on \( A \) and \( B \) sublattices, is given as

\[
d_{\pm,A/B}(k) = |u_{\pm,A/B}(k)|^2 + |v_{\pm,A/B}(k)|^2.
\]

At finite temperature, the moments in Eq. (10) is rewritten as

\[
\langle \hat{S}_i \rangle = \left( S - \delta S_A - \frac{1}{N_c} \sum_{k, n=\pm} g(\varepsilon(n,k)) d_{n,A}(k) \right) M_A,
\]

where \( \delta S_A = (1/N_c) \sum_{k, n=\pm} |v_{n,A}(k)|^2 \) denotes the contribution from a zero-point fluctuation, \( N_c \) is the number of unit cells in the system and \( g(\varepsilon) \) is the Bose distribution function. One can see that the local spectral weight \( d_{n,A/B}(k) \) denotes the amplitude of how much the eigenstate of magnon bands \( n = \pm \) at \( k \) contribute to the shrinking of ordered moments on the sublattice \( A/B \). The spin moments in momentum space carried by magnons are thus the ones that suppress the spin moments in real space from those of the ground state as \( -M_{A/B} d_{\pm,A/B}(k) \), as shown schematically in Fig. 1(b). The ones on upper (+) and lower (−) bands are defined \( m_{\pm} \).

\[
S_\pm(k) = -M_A d_{\pm,A}(k) - M_B d_{\pm,B}(k)
\]

\[
= -M_u (d_{\pm,A}(k) + d_{\pm,B}(k))
- M_s (d_{\pm,A}(k) - d_{\pm,B}(k)),
\]

(15)
where we introduce the magnetic moments in the uniform direction, \( M_u \equiv (M_A + M_B)/2 \), and staggered direction, \( M_s \equiv (M_A - M_B)/2 \), for later convenience. The vector \( S_{\pm}(k) \) is defined on each \( k \)-point in the Brillouin zone, and forms magnon spin textures in momentum space. The straightforward treatment is to solve the eigenvalue equation of \( H_{BdG}(k) \) directly and obtain \( d_{\pm A/B}(k) \). However, it is often difficult to analytically obtain \( d_{\pm A/B}(k) \) except for some simple cases. Even if the spin textures are feasible, one often needs to fine-tune numbers of parameters, such as the direction of the magnetic field and the way of alignment of DM vectors. We thus provide a systematic and efficient framework to judge how and when the spin textures emerge in insulating antiferromagnets.

2. Pseudo-spin degrees of freedom

The central idea of our framework is to extract an effective “Zeeman field”, \( R(k, \varepsilon) \), that couples to the pseudo-spin degrees of freedom from the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian using the Brillouin-Wigner formalism. We only outline the results in the following for the sake of clarity. Although they look simple enough, the derivation and proofs for the bosonic case are not as straightforward; since the magnons are bosons, their Green’s functions are the non-Hermitian matrices, and their eigenstates are those of the non-Hermitian matrix \( \Sigma^* H_{BdG}(k) \). The proofs and the details of applying the Brillouin-Wigner formalism, reducing the \( 4 \times 4 \) non-Hermitian matrix to a \( 2 \times 2 \) Hermitian one are given in Appendices. [3] and [4].

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We focus on the Green function in a particle subspace,
\[
G(k, \varepsilon) = [\varepsilon_0 - H_{eff}(k, \varepsilon)]^{-1},
\]
where the contribution from the pair creation-annihilation terms \( \Delta(k) \), are renormalized into the effective Hamiltonian
\[
H_{eff}(k, \varepsilon) = \Xi(k) - \Delta(k)[\sigma^y + \Xi^*(-k)]^{-1}\Delta^+(k) = R^0(k, \varepsilon)\sigma^0 + R(k, \varepsilon)\cdot \sigma,
\]
which is the \( 2 \times 2 \) Hermitian matrix, namely it has the same form as the fermionic (electronic) ones. The unit and Pauli matrices \( \sigma^\mu (\mu = 0, x, y, z) \) act on the sublattice space. The effective Hamiltonian, namely the pole and residue of Eq. (17), exactly reproduces the magnon bands and eigenstates of the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian, and we find an analytical relationship between \( d_{\pm A/B}(k) \) and \( R(k, \varepsilon) \) (see Appendix. [3]).

The key picture presented in Eq. (18) is that the \( A \) and \( B \) sublattices degrees of freedom are regarded as pseudo-spin degrees of freedom. For example, if this pseudo-spin has an SU(2) symmetry,
\[
[H_{eff}(k, \varepsilon), \sigma^\mu] = 0, \quad (\mu = x, y, z),
\]
the “Zeeman field” vanishes, \( R(k, \varepsilon) = 0 \). This context is equivalent to the case of electrons in Eq. (1); the SU(2) symmetry of spins is kept when \( R(k) = 0 \), in which case
the up and down spin bands are fully degenerate (see Appendix D for details).

Despite the above-mentioned similarity, the way how the spin textures are generated in the case of this antiferromagnons differs from that of electrons. To clarify this point, we examine the role of the “Zeeman field” and the pseudo-spin. Since the pseudo-spin points in the direction parallel/antiparallel to \( R(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \), its direction may vary with \( \mathbf{k} \). Notice that the direction of pseudo-spin indicates the relative weight and phase of \( \hat{a} \)- and \( \hat{b} \)-magnons that contribute to the eigenstate at the \( \mathbf{k} \)-point. One can introduce a geometrical representation known as a Bloch sphere as shown in Fig. 1(d). If the arrow representing the pseudo-spin points in the +z-direction, the state consists only of \( \hat{a} \)-magnons, and if it points to the equator, the two species of magnons mix with equal weights. Therefore, the z-component of the “Zeeman field” \( R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \) determines the relative weight of magnons on the sublattice \( A/B \).

The pseudo-spin is not the spin moment itself. Once the direction of the pseudo-spin is given, the weights of \( \hat{a}/\hat{b} \)-magnons are fixed, each carrying the spin moments. Therefore, type-(i) spin textures depend on whether \( \mathbf{M}_A \) and \( \mathbf{M}_B \) are collinear or noncollinear.

Before discussing the relationships between \( R(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \) and \( S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) \), we summarize in Fig. 1(c) the classification of three different spin textures. (i) Neither the direction nor the amplitude of spins vary with \( \mathbf{k} \). (ii) The amplitude varies with \( \mathbf{k} \) but the direction does not, and (iii) both the direction and the amplitude vary with \( \mathbf{k} \). Only type-(iii) shows the rich directional variation of \( S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) \), which we would like to search for.

Let us start from the case of collinear antiferromagnets, \( \mathbf{M}_A = -\mathbf{M}_B = \mathbf{M}_s \), and \( \mathbf{M}_z = 0 \), which leads to \( S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) = -\mathbf{M}_z(d_{\pm,A}(\mathbf{k}) - d_{\pm,B}(\mathbf{k})) \) in Eq. (16). When \( R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = 0 \), the pseudo-spin points to the equator, which gives \( d_{\pm,A}(\mathbf{k}) = d_{\pm,B}(\mathbf{k}) \) and \( S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) = 0 \). When \( R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \neq 0 \) and \( R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = R^y(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = 0 \), the pseudo-spin points toward the north or the south pole, and we find \( d_{\pm,A}(\mathbf{k}) - d_{\pm,B}(\mathbf{k}) = 1 \). Then the spin moment is locked to \( \pm \mathbf{M}_s \) for the two bands, which is type-(i). Otherwise, when \( R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \neq 0 \) while \( R^x(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = R^y(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \) varies with \( \mathbf{k} \), the pseudo-spin moves along the latitudinal direction, leading to \( d_{A,\pm}(\mathbf{k}) - d_{B,\pm}(\mathbf{k}) \neq \text{const.} \), which is type-(ii).

For the noncollinear case, both \( \mathbf{M}_A \) and \( \mathbf{M}_B \) start to contribute to \( S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) \). \( \mathbf{M}_s \) couples to \( d_{\pm,A}(\mathbf{k}) + d_{\pm,B}(\mathbf{k}) \) which generally varies with \( \mathbf{k} \) and stretches the amplitude \( |S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k})| \). \( \mathbf{M}_s \) couples to \( d_{\pm,A}(\mathbf{k}) - d_{\pm,B}(\mathbf{k}) \) which is zero when \( R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = 0 \) since the pseudo-spins point to the equator, and we find the fixed direction, \( S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) \parallel \mathbf{M}_s \), leading to type-(ii). When \( R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \neq 0 \), \( S_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) \) varies in the \( \mathbf{M}_s \)-direction by the latitudinal motion of the pseudo-spins, and together with the contribution from the \( \mathbf{M}_s \)-direction, form a type-(iii) spin texture.

We would like to stress here that one generally finds \( d_{\pm,A}(\mathbf{k}) + d_{\pm,B}(\mathbf{k}) \neq 1 \), which is the particular feature of magnons as bosonic particles. Contrastingly, in the electronic systems, the spectral weight of each one-body discrete energy level is always equal to 1. Namely there is no “stretching mode” of spin moments, and only the directional variation of spins are allowed to exist as one can see from the cases of Rashba and Dresselhaus electrons. Therefore, type-(ii) and (iii) spin textures are the characteristic phenomena found in the antiferromagnetic insulator.

To summarize this section, once the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian Eq. (12) is obtained by the standard treatment from the original spin Hamiltonian, by deriving the analytical form of \( R(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \) from Eq. (18), and using the Tables in Eq. (19), one can easily judge what parameters in the original spin Hamiltonian works to generate what types of spin textures. Using this framework, it is also possible to design material systems that generate a desirable spin texture. So far, type-(i) and (ii) are observed in many ferro or antiferromagnets, but type-(iii) is observed only in the 1D and 2D antiferromagnets with DM interactions. In the following section, we show some unprecedented example; in a KHF model, the Kitaev interaction and the \( \Gamma \)-term cooperatively generate the type-(iii) magnon spin texture.

III. APPLICATION TO MODELS

In this section, we first apply our framework to the 1D antiferromagnet with DM interaction to demonstrate that the pseudo-spin picture based on the two sublattice degrees of freedom is useful to classify magnon spin textures in momentum space. We then examine the details of a peculiar magnon spin texture in the KHF model and a honeycomb-lattice antiferromagnet with DM interaction, showing that our framework can easily determine what types of spin textures emerge and what parameters play a crucial role even for complicated and nontrivial models.

A. 1D antiferromagnet

We consider the 1D antiferromagnet in Fig. 2(a), described by the following Hamiltonian:

\[
\hat{H} = J \sum_j \hat{S}_j \cdot \hat{S}_{j+1} + D \sum_j e_z \cdot (\hat{S}_j \times \hat{S}_{j+1}) - \Lambda \sum_j (\hat{S}_j^z)^2 - h \sum_j \hat{S}_j^x, 
\]

where \( J > 0 \) is the Heisenberg exchange interaction, \( \Lambda > 0 \) is the easy-axis anisotropy, \( D \) is the Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction, and \( h \) denotes the magnetic field pointing in the \( x \)-direction. This type of antiferromagnet has been studied in the context of a nonreciprocity of device applications, and a magnon spin-momentum locking. For sufficiently small \( D \), a canted Néel order is
realized in a classical ground state (see Fig. 2(a)), where \( \Lambda \) plays a role to suppress the spiral order to keep the canted antiferromagnetic structure. The canting angle is given by \( \zeta = \arcsin (h/(2J_{2} + \Lambda)S) \).

By applying the linear spin-wave theory, we obtain \( \Xi(k) \) and \( \Delta(k) \) in Eq. \( (12) \) as

\[
\Xi(k_{x}) = \Xi_{0}\sigma^{0} + \Xi_{x}(k_{x})\sigma^{x},
\]

\[
\Delta(k_{x}) = \Delta_{0}\sigma^{0} + \Delta_{x}(k_{x})\sigma^{x} + \Delta_{y}(k_{x})\sigma^{y},
\]

with

\[
\Xi_{0} = 2JS + \Lambda S(1 + \cos^{2}\zeta), \]

\[
\Xi_{x}(k_{x}) = 2JS\sin^{2}\zeta \cos k_{x}, \]

\[
\Delta_{0} = -\Lambda S \sin^{2}\zeta, \]

\[
\Delta_{x}(k_{x}) = -2JS\cos^{2}\zeta \cos k_{x}, \]

\[
\Delta_{y}(k_{x}) = -2iDS \cos \zeta \sin k_{x}. \]

Then, the “Zeeman field” is calculated from Eq. \( (18) \) as

\[
R^{x}(k_{x}, \varepsilon) = \Xi_{x}(k_{x}) - \frac{1}{2}(\Delta_{0} + \Delta_{x}(k_{x}))^{2} - (\text{Im}\Delta_{y}(k_{x}))^{2}
\]

\[
+ \frac{1}{2}(\Delta_{0} - \Delta_{x}(k_{x}))^{2} - (\text{Im}\Delta_{y}(k_{x}))^{2},
\]

\[
R^{y}(k_{x}, \varepsilon) = 0,
\]

\[
R^{z}(k_{x}, \varepsilon) = \frac{2(\Delta_{0}\Xi_{x}(k_{x}) - \Delta_{x}(k_{x})(\varepsilon + \Xi_{0}))}{(\varepsilon + \Xi_{0})^{2} - (\Xi_{x}(k_{x}))^{2}} \text{Im}\Delta_{y}(k_{x}).
\]

We first find that for a collinear antiferromagnet (\( \zeta = 0 \)), \( R^{z}(k_{x}, \varepsilon) = 0 \) is realized since \( \Xi_{x}(k_{x}) = \Delta_{0} = 0 \). As another important point, we see from Eqs. \( (23) \) and \( (26) \) that \( R^{z}(k_{x}, \varepsilon) \propto D \). Therefore, referring to Fig. \( 1(e) \), one can conclude that \( D \neq 0 \) and a noncollinear magnetic order generate type-(iii) magnon spin textures. The vector \( \mathbf{R}(k_{x}, \varepsilon) \) also provides us the information on the \( k_{x} \)-dependence of the spin texture: \( R^{x}(k_{x}, \varepsilon) \) is odd with respect to \( k_{x} \), indicating that the \( z \)-component of the spin is reversed at \( k_{x} = 0 \).

Figure 2(b) shows the magnon bands and spin textures, which are explained well from the classification in Fig. 1(e). This model is a prototype platform, where depending on the collinear/noncollinear alignment or \( D \)-values, all types of textures are systematically realized.

B. Kitaev-Heisenberg-\( \Gamma \) model

1. Kitaev magnons

The Hamiltonian of the \( S = 1/2 \) KH\( \Gamma \) model on the honeycomb lattice in a magnetic field is given as

\[
\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_{\mu=x,y,z} \sum_{(i,j)_{\mu}} \left\{ J\hat{S}_{i} \cdot \hat{S}_{j} + 2K\hat{S}_{j}^{\nu} \hat{S}_{i}^{\nu} \right\}
+ \Gamma \left( \hat{S}_{j}^{\nu} \hat{S}_{j}^{\rho} + \hat{S}_{i}^{\nu} \hat{S}_{i}^{\rho} \right) - \sum_{i} \mathbf{h} \cdot \hat{S}_{i},
\]

where \( K \) denotes the Kitaev-type exchange interaction, which couples only the \( \mu \)-component of neighboring spin operators along the bonds, \( (i,j)_{\mu} \) denoted as \( \mu \)-link in Fig. 3(a). The \( \Gamma \)-term couples the other two spin components, \( (\nu, \rho) \neq \mu \), and \( \nu \neq \rho \) along the same \( \mu \)-link, and we focus on \( \Gamma < 0 \), which corresponds to Li\(_{2}\)Pr\(_{2}\)O\(_{4}\).\(^{22}\)

We parametrize \( J \) and \( K \) as \( J = \cos \Theta \) and \( K = \sin \Theta \). In the following, we focus on the region, \( 0 \leq \Theta < \pi/2 \), where the Néel order is realized as a classical ground state for sufficiently small \( \Theta \).\(^{21}\)\(^{24}\) The finite magnetic field \( \mathbf{h} \) induces the canting of the antiferromagnetically-ordered moments, and we denote the canting angle as \( \zeta \).

Since the model is highly anisotropic in real space, the spin axis and the spatial axis are no longer independent with each other. We adopt the conventional definition
for A$_2$BO$_3$-type layered compounds, taking the $x$, $y$, $z$-spin axes along the edges of the cube shown in Fig. 3(a). These axes are each perpendicular to the $x$, $y$, $z$-links of the honeycomb bonds, respectively. The two dimensional $a$, $b$-coordinate of the honeycomb lattice is taken as $a = (e_x + e_y - 2e_z)/\sqrt{6}$ and $b = (-e_x + e_y)/\sqrt{2}$ on the honeycomb plane.

The direction of the classical magnetic moments are given as

$$M_A = e_u \sin \zeta + e_s \cos \zeta, \quad M_B = e_u \sin \zeta - e_s \cos \zeta,$$

where $e_u$ and $e_s$ are the unit vectors pointing in the direction of the uniform and staggered magnetization, respectively. The classical energy is given as a function of $\zeta$, $e_u$ and $e_s$:

$$E_{cgs} = -(3J + 2K)N_cS^2 \cos 2\zeta - 2(h \cdot e_u)N_cS \sin \zeta + 2\Gamma N_cS^2 \sum_\mu (e_u^\mu e_u^\mu \sin^2 \zeta - e_s^\mu e_s^\mu \cos^2 \zeta),$$

and the ground-state spin configuration is determined by minimizing Eq. (29). The canting angle $\zeta$ is then given by

$$\zeta = \arcsin \left( \frac{h \cdot e_u}{2(3J + 2K)S + 2\Gamma S \sum_\mu (e_u^\mu e_u^\mu + e_s^\mu e_s^\mu)} \right),$$

and $e_u$ and $e_s$ are determined numerically, where we find that $e_u$ is almost parallel to $h$. When the magnetic field is perpendicular to the honeycomb plane, $h/h = (1, 1, 1)/\sqrt{3}$, or $\Gamma = 0$, the classical ground state is degenerate with respect to the rotation of $e_s$ about the $e_u$-axis. In this case, one needs to include the zero-point fluctuation energy to determine the direction of the magnetic moments in the ground state. The details will be given in Appendix E.

The elements of the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian is written as

$$\Xi(k) = \Xi_0 \sigma^0 + \Xi_x(k) \sigma^x + \Xi_y(k) \sigma^y + \Xi_z,$$

$$\Delta(k) = \Delta_x(k) \sigma^x + \Delta_y(k) \sigma^y,$$
Fig. 3(a)). The explicit form of $\delta$ with $|\delta|$ of the magnetic field, and Im $\Xi$ with $|\Xi|$ are shown in Appendix F.

\[ R^x(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = \Xi_x(\mathbf{k}) + \Xi_x(-\mathbf{k}) \frac{|\Delta_y(\mathbf{k})|^2 - |\Delta_y(-\mathbf{k})|^2}{\det[\varepsilon^0 + \Xi^*(-\mathbf{k})]} \]

where $\delta_\mu$ denotes the vector connecting the $\mu$-link (see Fig. 3(a)). The explicit form of $P_\mu$ and $Q_\mu$ ($\mu = x, y, z$) are shown in Appendix F.

2. “Zeeman” field

From Eq. (18) the vector $\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon)$ is obtained as

\[ R^x(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = \Xi_x(\mathbf{k}) + \Xi_x(-\mathbf{k}) \frac{|\Delta_y(\mathbf{k})|^2 - |\Delta_y(-\mathbf{k})|^2}{\det[\varepsilon^0 + \Xi^*(-\mathbf{k})]} - 2\Xi_y(-\mathbf{k}) \frac{\Re[\Delta_y(\mathbf{k})\Delta_y(-\mathbf{k})]}{\det[\varepsilon^0 + \Xi^*(-\mathbf{k})]} \]

\[ R^y(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = \Xi_y(\mathbf{k}) + 2\Xi_y(-\mathbf{k}) \frac{\Re[\Delta_y(\mathbf{k})\Delta_y(-\mathbf{k})]}{\det[\varepsilon^0 + \Xi^*(-\mathbf{k})]} + \Xi_y(-\mathbf{k}) \frac{|\Delta_y(\mathbf{k})|^2 - |\Delta_y(-\mathbf{k})|^2}{\det[\varepsilon^0 + \Xi^*(-\mathbf{k})]} \]

\[ R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = \left\{1 - \frac{\det[\Delta(\mathbf{k})]}{\det[\varepsilon^0 + \Xi^*(-\mathbf{k})]}\right\} \Xi_z - \frac{2(\varepsilon + \Xi_0)\Im[\Delta^*_y(\mathbf{k})\Delta_y(-\mathbf{k})]}{\det[\varepsilon^0 + \Xi^*(-\mathbf{k})]} \]

It can be seen that $R^x(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon)$, $R^y(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \neq 0$ (except at some accidental values) and depend on $\mathbf{k}$. The first term of $R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon)$ is negligible since $e_x$ is almost perpendicular to $\mathbf{h}$, which gives $\Xi^z \approx 0$. In the second term, $(\varepsilon + \Xi_0)$ remains finite in general, and

\[ \Im[\Delta^*_y(\mathbf{k})\Delta_y(-\mathbf{k})] = [\Re \mathbf{Q} \times \Im \mathbf{Q}] \cdot \left[\begin{array}{c} \cos k \cdot \delta_x \\ \cos k \cdot \delta_y \\ \cos k \cdot \delta_z \end{array}\right] \times \left[\begin{array}{c} \sin k \cdot \delta_x \\ \sin k \cdot \delta_y \\ \sin k \cdot \delta_z \end{array}\right] , \]

where $\mathbf{Q} = (Q_x, Q_y, Q_z)^T$. Therefore, the necessary and sufficient condition to have $R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) \neq 0$, namely the type-(iii) magnon spin texture, is $[\Re \mathbf{Q} \times \Im \mathbf{Q}] \neq 0$. For later convenience, we show the form of $\Im \mathbf{Q}$,

\[ \Im \mathbf{Q} = -K \sin \phi \Im \mathbf{Q}_K - \Gamma \sin \phi \Im \mathbf{Q}_\Gamma \]

\[ \Im \mathbf{Q}_K = \left(\begin{array}{c} \Im e_x^y (e_x \times e_u)^y \\ \Im e_x^z (e_x \times e_u)^z \\ \Im e_x^y (e_x \times e_u)^x \end{array}\right) , \]

\[ \Im \mathbf{Q}_\Gamma = \left(\begin{array}{c} \Im e_x^y (e_x \times e_u)^y + \Im e_x^z (e_x \times e_u)^z \\ \Im e_x^z (e_x \times e_u)^x + \Im e_x^y (e_x \times e_u)^y \\ \Im e_x^y (e_x \times e_u)^x + \Im e_x^z (e_x \times e_u)^y \end{array}\right) . \]

Note that $\Im \mathbf{Q}_K$ and $\Im \mathbf{Q}_\Gamma$ only depend on $e_u$ and $e_x$, which are controlled by the direction of the magnetic field, and $\Im \mathbf{Q}$ is scaled by $K$, $\Gamma$, and $\phi$.

We first consider the Heisenberg limit, $K = \Gamma = 0$. In this case $Q = -J S \cos^2 \phi (1, 1, 1)^T$ and we find $\Im \mathbf{Q} = 0$, which leads to $R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon) = 0$ and the type-(ii) magnon spin texture emerges. When $K \neq 0$ and $\Gamma \neq 0$, a finite $J$ still gives $\Re \mathbf{Q} \neq 0$ (see Appendix F), and it can be immediately seen from Eq. (43) that $\Im \mathbf{Q} \neq 0$ holds for any $e_u$ and $e_x$. Namely, $R^z(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon)$ remains nonzero and varies with $\mathbf{k}$, which leads to type-(iii) magnon spin texture.

Let us see the implication of these judgments based on $R(\mathbf{k}, \varepsilon)$. Figure 4(a)-(d) shows the spin textures of...
the KHG model when $\Theta = \pi/3 \ (K \neq 0)$ and $\Gamma = -0.1$. We choose three different field directions, $\mathbf{h}/h = (0, 0, 1), (1, 0, 1)/\sqrt{2}$ and $(1, 1, 1)/\sqrt{3}$. In the third case, $\mathbf{h}$ is perpendicular to the honeycomb plane. One distinct feature of this model is that the spin textures change quite drastically near $k = 0$ as one can see in Fig. 4(b), which is not found in the Rashba- and Dresselhaus-type antiferromagnetic insulators on a square lattice. From Eq. (42) one finds that at around $k \sim 0$, $\text{Im}[\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{k})\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{k})]$ changes its sign, which contributes to the directional variation of $S_{\mathbf{k}}(k \sim 0)$ if $ReQ \times ImQ$ is large enough. The origin of the type-(iii) magnon spin textures is the bond-dependent anisotropic exchange interactions, and for $k \sim 0$ the three different directions equally contribute to $S_{\mathbf{k}}(k)$, which explains this particular behavior.

The advantage of such large variation of $S_{\mathbf{k}}(k)$ near $k \sim 0$ is that most of the experimental tools that excite the magnons can deal only up to some limited energy scale that corresponds to the wavelength near $k \sim 0$. When the magnons at $\mathbf{k}$ and $-\mathbf{k}$ with the same energy are excited as shown in Fig. 4(f), they carry the spins pointing in the nearly opposite directions, and propagate in the opposite directions in space. Since the magnons are charge-neutral and well-defined quasiparticles, this will generate a dissipationless pure spin current. The Kitaev materials can thus be an ideal platform of spintronics.

Another notable advantage of small-$k$ magnons is the absence of the damping effect induced by magnon-magnon interactions. The KHG model does not have the spin-rotational symmetry, which gives rise to three-magnon interactions. Particularly, the decay process yields the imaginary part of the self-energy and magnons are strongly damped when the energy and momentum conservation is satisfied. Since for large $k$, or namely at higher-energy part of the bands, there exists the decay channel that satisfies the energy and momentum conservation, and the magnons are subject to the strong damping effect. For the present choices of $\pm k$, such effect is avoided.

To maximize the variation of $R^z(k, \varepsilon)$, one at least needs to have large enough values of $\text{Im}Q$ in Eq. (42). Figure 4(b)-4(d) shows the density plot of $|\text{Im}Q|$. This quantity depends on the field direction (while the amplitude is scaled by $h$ regardless of $k$). At the points where $|\text{Im}Q|$ takes the maximum, the spin textures show large variation as shown in Fig. 4(c), whereas when $|\text{Im}Q|$ is small, the spin texture looks almost similar to type-(ii) as shown in Fig. 4(d) even though there is a slight variation in the direction of $S_{\mathbf{k}}(k)$. By controlling the field direction, one can thus design a desirable spin texture in the KHG model, which is a useful reference for experimental studies.

Notice that the cases, $K \neq 0$ and $\Gamma = 0$, do not necessarily lead to type-(iii). Particularly, when the staggered magnetic moment points in the direction perpendicular to either of the $x, y, z$-links, the propagation of the magnons along that link is suppressed, giving type-(ii). The details are given in Appendix E.

C. honeycomb lattice antiferromagnet

We finally consider an antiferromagnet on the honeycomb lattice introduced in Ref. 22 whose Hamiltonian is given as

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{i<j} J_{i,j} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j + \sum_{i<j} G_{i,j} (-\hat{S}_i^x \hat{S}_j^y + \hat{S}_i^y \hat{S}_j^x + \hat{S}_i^z \hat{S}_j^z)$$

$$+ \sum_{i<j} D_{i,j} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j) - \sum_i \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i,$$  

where we consider the nearest-neighbor and next-nearest-neighbor interactions for both $J_{i,j}$ and $G_{i,j}$, which are denoted as $J_1, J_2$ and $G_1, G_2$. The DM vectors $D_{i,j}$ are perpendicular to the honeycomb plane and are depicted in Fig. 5(a) by taking the direction of $i \rightarrow j$ as arrows between the next nearest neighbors. This Hamiltonian originates from the Hubbard model with SOC as a result of perturbation from the strong coupling limit. The parameters $G_2$ and $D = |D_{i,j}|$ come from the SOC, which are related to each other as $D = 2\sqrt{J_2 G_2}$. Here, the DM interaction takes the role of the SOC in the Kane-Mele model, namely the propagation of magnons along the next-nearest neighbor bonds couples to an effective (1) gauge field, and a staggered flux is inserted between the $A$ and $B$ sublattices. This staggered flux is the origin of $R^z(k, \varepsilon) \neq 0$. However, the problem is not as simple; to generate such flux, the relative angle of $D_{i,j}$ and $M_A, M_B$ should be properly set, as we see in the following.

The phase diagram of the classical ground state for $h = 0$ and for sufficiently small $G_1$ and $G_2$ is shown in the bottom panel of Fig. 5(a); the collinear antiferromagnetic order is realized, whose moments point in either the $xy$-plane and $z$-directions for $G_1$ smaller and larger than $2G_2$, respectively, which are called xy-ASF and z-ASF phase.

We first consider the z-ASF phase with the out-of-plane magnetic field $\mathbf{h}/h = (0, 0, 1)$. For sufficiently small $h$, the ground-state spins remain collinear, and the elements of the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian is given in the form,

$$\Xi(k) = \Xi_0(k)\sigma^0 + h\sigma^z$$

$$\Delta(k) = \Delta_x(k)\sigma^x + \Delta_y(k)\sigma^y.$$  

The details of $\Xi_0(k), \Delta(k)$ are shown in Appendix G. This form immediately leads to $R^z(k, \varepsilon) = R^0(k, \varepsilon) = 0$ and

$$R^z(k, \varepsilon) = \left\{ 1 - \frac{\text{det} \Delta(k)}{\text{det} \varepsilon + \Xi(-k)} \right\} h.$$  

From Fig. 1(c), the collinear antiferromagnet with such types of $\mathbf{R}(k, \varepsilon)$ gives type-(i) magnon spin texture, namely a quantized spins $S_{\mathbf{k}}(k) = \mp\varepsilon_z$. 


When the in-plane magnetic field is applied in the $a$-direction, the canting angle is calculated as $\zeta = \arcsin \left( \frac{h}{6(J_1 - G_1)S} \right)$, and we find $\Xi_z(k) = 0$. The other parameters, $\Xi_0(k), \Xi_\tau(k), \Xi_y(k)$ and $\Delta_0(k)$, $\Delta_x(k), \Delta_y(k)$ do not depend on $D_{i,j}$ (see Appendix C, Eqs. (G3)-(G9) for details). It is known that the effective U(1) gauge field emerges when $D_{i,j}$ has an element parallel to the ordered moments. This does not apply to the present $M_A$ and $M_B$, and resultantly the magnon excitation is not affected by the DM interaction. The "Zeeman field" $R(k, \varepsilon)$ is given as

$$R^z(k, \varepsilon) = \Xi_x(k) - \frac{2(\varepsilon + \Xi_0(k))\Delta_0(k)\Delta_x(k)}{\det[\varepsilon\sigma^0 + \Xi(k)]} - \frac{2\Xi_y(k)\Delta_x(k)\Delta_y(k)}{\det[\varepsilon\sigma^0 + \Xi(k)]} - \frac{2\Xi_y(k)\Delta_y(k)\Delta_x(k)}{\det[\varepsilon\sigma^0 + \Xi(k)]}$$

(50)

$$R^y(k, \varepsilon) = \Xi_y(k) - \frac{2(\varepsilon + \Xi_0(k))\Delta_0(k)\Delta_y(k)}{\det[\varepsilon\sigma^0 + \Xi(k)]} - \frac{2\Xi_y(k)\Delta_y(k)\Delta_x(k)}{\det[\varepsilon\sigma^0 + \Xi(k)]} - \frac{2\Xi_y(k)\Delta_x(k)\Delta_y(k)}{\det[\varepsilon\sigma^0 + \Xi(k)]}$$

(51)

Then, from Fig. 1e) this noncollinear antiferromagnetic order with $R^z(k, \varepsilon) = 0$ has type-(ii) spin texture, as we actually find by calculating $S_z(k)$ in Fig. 5c).

If we apply the out-of-plane magnetic field in the $c$-direction to the xy-AFM, the spins cant off the plane with the angle $\zeta = \arcsin \left( \frac{h}{6(J_1 + 2G_2)S} \right)$. The DM interaction starts to affect the magnon excitation since $M_A$ and $M_B$ have the element parallel to $D_{i,j}$, and among the parameters of the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian, $\Xi_z(k)$

Next, we consider the xy-AFM phase. The elements of the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian is given by

$$\Xi(k) = \Xi_0(k)\sigma^0 + \Xi_\tau(k)\sigma^x + \Xi_y(k)\sigma^y + \Xi_z(k)\sigma^z$$

(48)

$$\Delta(k) = \Delta_0(k)\sigma^0 + \Delta_x(k)\sigma^x + \Delta_y(k)\sigma^y + \Delta_y(k)\sigma^y.$$
starts to depend on $D$ as
\[ \Xi_2(k) = -2DS \sin \zeta \text{Im} \left[ \sum_{\delta'} e^{i\delta_\mu \delta'} \right], \quad (53) \]

where $\delta_\mu (\mu = x, y, z)$ denotes the vector connecting the next-nearest neighbor bonds (gray arrows in Fig. 3(a)). Other parameters still do not depend on $D$ as given in Eqs. (G10)-(G16) in Appendix C. The form of $R^z(k, \varepsilon)$ remains unchanged from Eqs. (50) and (51), but $R^z(k, \varepsilon)$ starts to vary with $k$ as
\[ R^z(k, \varepsilon) = \left\{ 1 - \frac{\det \Delta(k)}{\det[\varepsilon \sigma^0 + \Xi(k)]} \right\} \Xi_2(k). \quad (54) \]

which gives type-(iii) magnon spin textures from Fig. 1(c). Since $\Xi_2(k) \propto D$, one can immediately see that $D$ is responsible for this particular magnon spin texture which is shown in Fig. 2(d).

Finally, let us discuss the physical implication of the role of the DM interaction. In the Kane-Mele model, when the electrons hop along the next-nearest neighbor bonds in Fig. 3(a) a SOC works as a staggered magnetic field placed on $A$ and $B$ sublattices\cite{82}. If we apply the same context to our model, the DM vectors that generate an effective $U(1)$ gauge field can be regarded as a "magnetic field"\cite{83,84}, as long as $D$ has a component parallel to $M_A$ and $M_B$. If such a field is placed in a staggered manner on $A$ and $B$ sublattices, it will generate a fictitious SOC to the pseudo-spins of magnons and generate $R^z(k, \varepsilon) \neq 0$. For the $z$-AFM, the DM vectors along the $A$-$A$ and $B$-$B$ bonds always point in the opposite direction to their magnetic moments, $M_A$ and $M_B$, as shown in Fig. 2(b), and do not work as a staggered field. For the $xy$-AFM phase, when the magnetic moment points off the plane by putting $h$ $\parallel$ $c$, as shown in Fig. 2(d), the staggered $D$ vectors parallel to the small canted moments definitely generate a staggered $U(1)$ gauge field and make $R^z(k, \varepsilon) \neq 0$.

IV. CONCLUSION

We proposed a general theoretical framework to design the momentum-dependent spin textures for any kinds of complicated insulating antiferromagnets, in a way as easy as dealing with electronic systems with SOC. For a given Hamiltonian of insulating magnets, we first apply a spin-wave theory and perform a standard calculation to derive the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian (Eq. (12)) that describes the magnon excitation. Then, by transforming the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian to the $2 \times 2$ Hermitian form $H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon)$ which is the essential point of the framework, one can describe the Hamiltonian in terms of the pseudo-spin degrees of freedom, $\sigma$; the “up/down” state of pseudo-spin indicates that the magnon state has a full weight on the $A/B$-sublattice, which is described by the north/south pole of the Bloch sphere. Various terms in the original Hamiltonian is transformed to $R(k, \varepsilon)$ which couple to the pseudo-spin $\sigma$ as “Zeeman” term $R(k, \varepsilon) \sigma$, and change the direction of the pseudo-spin as well as the total magnon density the state carries. When the pseudo-spin on the Bloch sphere point along the equator, the $A$ and $B$ sublattices equally contribute to the magnon eigenstates. Since the $a$- and $b$-magnons carry spin moment that point in the directions, $-M_A$ and $-M_B$, respectively. Therefore, how $R(k, \varepsilon)$ behaves as a function of $k$ will determine the magnitude and direction of the spin moments $S_{\pm}(k)$ in momentum space. We classified $S_{\pm}(k)$ into types-(i), (ii) and (iii), and showed which types will appear for given types of $R(k, \varepsilon)$.

This framework enables us to deal with complicated models and clarify which parameter or which field direction will generate a favorable spin texture, in a simple enough manner without knowing in advance the role of interactions included in the Hamiltonian. This is actually demonstrated in the Kitaev-Heisenberg-Γ model. We discovered that the Kitaev interaction generates a type-(iii) spin texture that varies significantly with $k$ assisted by the Γ-term. This will shed light on the useful aspect of a series of Kitaev materials, $A_2PrO_3$ ($A$=Li, Na), on the top of the possible realization of the prototype $Z_2$ spin liquid and Berry-phase effect on magnons\cite{50,62}. So far, most of the studies on spin textures are performed in electronic systems with SOC. There has been a growing quest for finding a better and easier platform to control spin moments, particularly in antiferromagnets, since the nearly net-zero magnetic moment is convenient to efficiently reduce the effect of a stray field. The present findings provide a clue to design or test unexplored materials as a candidate for forthcoming spintronics.

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Appendix A: Bosonic BdG Hamiltonian

We show the details of the spin-wave analysis for the system with a two-sublattice long-range magnetically-ordered ground state. The low-energy excitation can be represented by magnons using a Holstein-Primakoff
transformation

$$\hat{S}_{i \in A} \simeq (S - \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_i) M_A$$

$$+ \sqrt{\frac{S}{2}} \left( \hat{a}_i + \hat{a}_i^\dagger \right) X_A - i \sqrt{\frac{S}{2}} \left( \hat{a}_i - \hat{a}_i^\dagger \right) Y_A,$$

$$\hat{S}_{i \in B} \simeq (S - \hat{b}_i^\dagger \hat{b}_i) M_B$$

$$+ \sqrt{\frac{S}{2}} \left( \hat{b}_i + \hat{b}_i^\dagger \right) X_B - i \sqrt{\frac{S}{2}} \left( \hat{b}_i - \hat{b}_i^\dagger \right) Y_B.$$ (A1)

The unit vectors, $X_{A/B}, Y_{A/B}$ and $M_{A/B}$, form the basis of the local right-handed coordinate system on the sublattice $A/B$, and $M_{A/B}$ points in the direction of the classical spin in the ground state. Fourier transformations of $\hat{a}_i/\hat{b}_i$ are given by

$$\hat{a}_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_c}} \sum_k \hat{a}(k) e^{i k \cdot r_i}, \quad \hat{b}_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_c}} \sum_k \hat{b}(k) e^{i k \cdot r_i},$$ (A3)

where $N_c$ is the number of unit cells and $r_i$ is the position at a site $i$. This transformation gives Eq. [11]. Magnon bands $\varepsilon_\pm(k)$ and corresponding eigenvectors $t_\pm(k)$ can be obtained from the following eigenvalue equation:

$$\Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k) t_\pm(k) = \varepsilon_\pm(k) t_\pm(k),$$ (A4)

with $\Sigma^\mu = \tau^\mu \otimes \sigma^0$, where $\tau^\mu$ and $\sigma^\mu$ ($\mu = x, y, z$) are the unit and Pauli matrices acting on a particle-hole space and sublattice space, respectively. The matrix $\Sigma^z$ is required here to keep the bosonic statistics. $H_{BdG}(k)$ generally has the following particle-hole symmetry:

$$\Sigma^0 \Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k) \Sigma^z = -\Sigma^z H_{BdG}(-k).$$ (A5)

Therefore, the matrix $\Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k)$ also has the eigenvalues $-\varepsilon_\pm(-k)$ and corresponding eigenvectors $\Sigma^z t^\ast_\pm(-k)$. We normalize the eigenvector $t_n(k)$ as $t_n^\dagger(k) \Sigma^z t_m(k) = \delta_{n,m}$ ($n, m = \pm$) and construct a matrix $T(k)$ as

$$T(k) = (t_+(k), t_-(k), \Sigma^z t^\ast_+(k), \Sigma^z t^\ast_-(k)),$$ (A6)

Then the matrix $T(k)$ satisfies the parmutational condition:

$$T^\dagger(k) \Sigma^z T(k) = T(k) \Sigma^z T(k) = \Sigma^z,$$ (A7)

and $\Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k)$ can be diagonalized by $T(k)$ as

$$T^{-1}(k) \Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k) T(k) = E(k),$$ (A8)

$$E(k) = \text{diag}(\varepsilon_+(k), \varepsilon_-(k), -\varepsilon_+(k), -\varepsilon_-(k)),$$ (A9)

A Bogoliubov transformation is given by

$$\tilde{\Psi}(k) = T(k) \Psi(k),$$ (A10)

where $\tilde{\Psi}(k) = (\hat{\gamma}_+(k), \hat{\gamma}_-(k), \hat{\gamma}^\dagger_+(k), \hat{\gamma}^\dagger_-(k))^T$ and $\hat{\gamma}_\pm(k)$ also satisfies bosonic commutation relations due to the parunitary condition for $T(k)$. The diagonalized form of $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{sw}$ is

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{sw} = \sum_{n=\pm} \varepsilon_n(k) \left( \hat{\gamma}^\dagger_n(k) \hat{\gamma}_n(k) + \frac{1}{2} \right).$$ (A11)

We now write the eigenvector $t_{\pm}(k)$ as

$$t_{\pm}(k) = \left( u_{\pm,A}(k), v_{\pm,A}(k), u_{\pm,B}(k), v_{\pm,B}(k) \right).$$ (A12)

**Appendix B: Derivation of an effective Hamiltonian**

We extend the Brillouin-Wigner formalism for fermions in Eqs. [5]-[8] to a bosonic case. Let us consider the Green function for the non-Hermitian matrix $\Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k)$:

$$G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon) = [\varepsilon \Sigma^0 - \Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k)]^{-1},$$ (A13)

where $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$, and the matrix $\Sigma^z$ is introduced to keep the boson statistics. In the same manner as Eq. [A7], $G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon)$ can also be diagonalized by $T(k)$ as

$$T^{-1}(k) G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon) T(k) = [\varepsilon \Sigma^0 - E(k)]^{-1},$$ (A14)

where $E(k)$ is the matrix form of the eigen energy in Eq. [A8]. Then, the spectral decomposition of $G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon)$ is obtained as,

$$G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon) = \sum_{n=\pm} \left( \frac{T_n(k) T^\dagger_n(k) \Sigma^z}{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_n(k)} - \frac{\Sigma^z T^\dagger_n(-k) T_n(-k) \Sigma^z}{\varepsilon + \varepsilon_n(-k)} \right).$$ (A15)

Here, one can see that the pole and residue of $G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon)$ give the exact eigenvalue and projected weight onto the corresponding eigenspace of $\Sigma^z H_{BdG}(k)$, respectively.

At the same time, by applying the same idea as Eqs. [5]-[8] and Ref. [12], we divide $G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon)$ into $2 \times 2$ blocks, $G(k, \varepsilon)$ and $F(k, \varepsilon)$, as

$$G_{BdG}(k, \varepsilon) = \begin{pmatrix} G(k, \varepsilon) & F(k, \varepsilon) \\ -F^\dagger(k, \varepsilon) & -G^\ast(-k, -\varepsilon) \end{pmatrix},$$ (A16)

and focus on the particle subspace,

$$G(k, \varepsilon) = [\varepsilon \Sigma^0 - H_{eff}(k, \varepsilon)]^{-1}.$$ (A17)

Then, we obtain the $2 \times 2$ effective Hamiltonian $H_{eff}(k, \varepsilon)$ in Eq. [18].

Notice that in the same context as Eqs. [5]-[8], the solution of the pole of Eq. [A17], namely $\varepsilon^0 = H_{eff}(k, \varepsilon)$, gives exactly the eigenvalues of $H_{BdG}(k)$, as we show in the following; as for the effective Hamiltonian, we have

$$H_{eff}(k, \varepsilon) w_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon) = \lambda_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon) w_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon),$$ (A18)
with the eigenvalue $\lambda_n(k, \varepsilon) = R^n(k, \varepsilon) \pm |R(k, \varepsilon)|$ and the eigenvector $u_n^\dagger(k, \varepsilon)w_m(k, \varepsilon) = \delta_{m,n}$ ($n, m = \pm$). Using these values, the spectral decomposition of $G(k, \varepsilon)$ is written as

$$G(k, \varepsilon) = \sum_{n=\pm} \frac{w_n(k, \varepsilon)w_n^\dagger(k, \varepsilon)}{\varepsilon - \lambda_n(k, \varepsilon)}. \tag{B7}$$

By combining Eqs. \(B3\) and \(B4\), the same Green function is written also in the form,

$$G(k, \varepsilon) = \sum_{n=\pm} \left( \frac{u_n(k)u_n^\dagger(k)}{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_n(k)} - \frac{v_n(-k)v_n^\dagger(-k)}{\varepsilon + \varepsilon_n(-k)} \right), \tag{B8}$$

and one immediately finds its poles at $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n(k)$ and $-\varepsilon_n(-k)$ ($n = \pm$). From Eqs. \(B7\) and \(B8\),

$$\varepsilon = \lambda_n(k, \varepsilon), \tag{B9}$$

is expected to have two solutions, $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n(k)$ and $\varepsilon = -\varepsilon_n(-k)$, which is proved rigorously (see Appendix C). The residue of $G(k, \varepsilon)$ at $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n(k)$ and $\varepsilon = -\varepsilon_n(-k)$ gives the relation between the eigenstates of $\Sigma^zH_{\text{BdG}}(k)$ and $H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon)$ as

$$u_n(k) = \cosh \chi_n(k)w_n(k, \varepsilon_n(k)) \tag{B10}$$

$$v_n(k) = \sinh \chi_n(k)w_n^\dagger(-k, -\varepsilon_n(k)) \tag{B11}$$

cosh $\chi_n(k) = \left(1 - \frac{\partial \lambda_n(k, \varepsilon)}{\partial \varepsilon}\right)_{\varepsilon=\varepsilon_n(k)}^{-1/2}. \tag{B12}$$

where $\chi_n(k) \geq 0$. For details, see Appendix C In this way, the exact relationships between the eigenstates $t_n(k) = (u_n(k), v_n(k))^T$ and $w_n(k, \varepsilon)$ are explicitly given in Eqs. \(B10\), \(B11\), and these relations allow us to rewrite the difference between the local spectral weight of magnons on $A$ and $B$ sublattices as

$$d_{\pm,A}(k) - d_{\pm,B}(k) = \pm \begin{Bmatrix} \cosh^2 \chi_{\pm}(k) & \frac{R^z(k, \varepsilon_{\pm}(k))}{|R(k, \varepsilon_{\pm}(k))|} \\ \sinh^2 \chi_{\pm}(k) & \frac{R^z(-k, -\varepsilon_{\pm}(k))}{|R(-k, -\varepsilon_{\pm}(k))|} \end{Bmatrix} \tag{B13}$$

Namely, $R^z(k, \varepsilon)$ is directly related to the difference between $d_{\pm,A}(k)$ and $d_{\pm,B}(k)$. In a while, the sum of the local spectral weight $d_{\pm,A}(k) + d_{\pm,B}(k)$ only depends on $\chi_{\pm}(k)$, and it can be written as

$$d_{\pm,A}(k) + d_{\pm,B}(k) = \cosh 2\chi_{\pm}(k). \tag{B14}$$

**Appendix C: Relation between a bosonic BdG Hamiltonian and an effective Hamiltonian**

We first show that the eigenvalue of an effective Hamiltonian $\lambda_n(k, \varepsilon)$ ($n = \pm$) is a monotonically increasing function with respect to $\varepsilon$. From the eigenvalue equation \(B6\), we find the following expression of $\lambda_n(k, \varepsilon)$,

$$\lambda_n(k, \varepsilon) = w_n^\dagger(k, \varepsilon)H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon)w_n(k, \varepsilon), \tag{C1}$$

where the normalization condition for $w_m(k, \varepsilon)$, $w_m^\dagger(k, \varepsilon)w_m(k, \varepsilon) = \delta_{m,m'}$ ($m, m' = \pm$), is used. Then, the derivative of $\lambda_n(k, \varepsilon)$ with respect to $\varepsilon$ is calculated as

$$\frac{\partial \lambda_n}{\partial \varepsilon} = \frac{\partial w_n^\dagger}{\partial \varepsilon}H_{\text{eff}}w_n + w_n^\dagger \frac{\partial H_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \varepsilon}w_n + \frac{\partial w_n^\dagger}{\partial \varepsilon} \frac{\partial w_n}{\partial \varepsilon} \tag{C2}$$

Since the $2 \times 2$ matrix $\Xi(k)$ in $H_{\text{BdG}}(k)$ is Hermitian, there exists the spectral decomposition of $\Xi(k)$,

$$\Xi(k) = \sum_{i=1,2} \xi_i(k)z_i(k)z_i^\dagger(k), \tag{C3}$$

where $\xi_i(k) \in \mathbb{R}$ and $z_i(k) \in \mathbb{C}^2$ are the eigenvalue and corresponding eigenvector of $\Xi(k)$. Using these values, the effective Hamiltonian can be written in the form,

$$H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon) = \sum_{i=1,2} \left\{ \xi_i(k)z_i(k)z_i^\dagger(k) - \Delta(k)z_i^\dagger(-k)z_i^\dagger(k) \right\}, \tag{C4}$$

derivative with respect to $\varepsilon$ is given by

$$\frac{\partial H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon)}{\partial \varepsilon} = \sum_{i=1,2} \Delta(k)z_i^\dagger(-k)z_i^\dagger(-k) \left\{ \frac{\xi_i(-k)}{\varepsilon + \xi_i(-k)} \right\} \Delta^\dagger(k). \tag{C5}$$

From Eqs. \(C2\) and \(C5\), we find

$$\frac{\partial \lambda_n(k, \varepsilon)}{\partial \varepsilon} = \sum_{i=1,2} \left| \xi_i(-k) \right|^2 d_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon_{\pm}(k)) \geq 0, \tag{C6}$$

indicating that $\lambda_n(k, \varepsilon)$ increases monotonically with respect to $\varepsilon$. Since $\lambda_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon_{\pm}(k)) \geq \lambda_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon(-k))$ and $\lambda_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon(-k)) \geq \lambda_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon(-k))$, we find

$$\lambda_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon_{\pm}(k)) \geq \lambda_{\pm}(k, \varepsilon(-k)). \tag{C7}$$

Now we derive the relation between the eigenvalue/eigenstate of $H_{\text{BdG}}(k)$ and $H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon)$ from Eqs. \(B7\) and \(B8\). As one can see from Eq. \(B8\), $G(k, \varepsilon)$ has the simple pole at $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n(k)$ and $\varepsilon = -\varepsilon_n(-k)$ ($n = \pm$). We first focus on the residue at $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n(k)$:

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to \varepsilon_n(k)} \left( \frac{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_n(k)}{\varepsilon - \lambda_m(k, \varepsilon)} \right) \times w_m(k, \varepsilon_n(k))w_m^\dagger(k, \varepsilon_n(k)). \tag{C9}$$
Because of the normalization condition for $t_n(k)$, the vectors $u_n(k)$ and $v_n(k)$ must satisfy
\[ u_n^\dagger(k)u_n(k) - v_n^\dagger(k)v_n(k) = 1. \tag{C10} \]
Therefore, $u_n(k)$ and $v_n(k)$ can be generally written as
\[ u_n(k) = \cosh \chi_n(k)\tilde{u}_n(k), \tag{C11} \]
\[ v_n(k) = \sinh \chi_n(k)\tilde{v}_n(k), \tag{C12} \]
where $\chi_n(k) \geq 0$. The vectors $\tilde{u}_n(k)$ and $\tilde{v}_n(k)$ satisfy the following normalization condition:
\[ \tilde{u}_n^\dagger(k)\tilde{u}_n(k) = 1, \quad \tilde{v}_n^\dagger(k)\tilde{v}_n(k) = 1. \tag{C13} \]

Then the Eq. (C9) can be rewritten as
\[ \tilde{u}_n(k)\tilde{u}_n^\dagger(k) = \sum_{m = \pm} L_{n,m}(k)w_m(k,\varepsilon_n(k))w_m^\dagger(k,\varepsilon_n(k)), \tag{C14} \]
with
\[ L_{n,m}(k) = \frac{1}{\cosh^2 \chi_n(k)} \lim_{\varepsilon \to \varepsilon_n(k)} \frac{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_n(k)}{\varepsilon - \lambda_m(k,\varepsilon)}. \tag{C15} \]

From Eq. (C14), we find that $w_m(k,\varepsilon_n(k))$ satisfies the following eigenvalue equation:
\[ \tilde{u}_n(k)\tilde{u}_n^\dagger(k)w_m(k,\varepsilon_n(k)) = L_{n,m}(k)w_m(k,\varepsilon_n(k)), \tag{C16} \]
where we use the normalization condition for $w_m(k,\varepsilon)$. One can see that the rank of the $2 \times 2$ matrix $\tilde{u}_n(k)\tilde{u}_n^\dagger(k)$ is equal to 1. Then the only nonzero eigenvalue and corresponding eigenvector of $\tilde{u}_n(k)\tilde{u}_n^\dagger(k)$ are given by 1 and $\tilde{u}_n(k)$ since $\tilde{u}_n^\dagger(k)\tilde{u}_n(k) = 1$. From these facts and the inequality described by Eq. (C7), the eigenvalue equation (C16) leads to the following relations,
\[ L_{n,m}(k) = \delta_{n,m}, \tag{C17} \]
\[ w_m(k,\varepsilon_n(k)) = \tilde{u}_n(k), \tag{C18} \]
for $m = \pm$. From Eq. (C18), the relation between $u_n(k)$ and $w_n(k,\varepsilon)$ can be obtained as Eq. (B10) up to a phase factor, which can be included into $w_n(k,\varepsilon)$. Especially, one can find from Eq. (C17) that Eq. (B9) has the solution $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n(k)$ but does not have $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_m(k)$ ($m \neq n$), which is consistent with Eq. (C7) since
\[ \varepsilon_+(k) = \lambda_+(k,\varepsilon_+(k)) \geq \lambda_-(k,\varepsilon_-(k)) = \varepsilon_-(k). \tag{C19} \]

From $L_{n,n}(k) = 1$, we also find that the derivative of $\lambda_+(k,\varepsilon)$ with respect to $\varepsilon$ is related to $\cosh \chi_n(k)$ as Eq. (B12). The derivation of the relation between $v_n(k)$ and $w_n(k,\varepsilon)$ is basically the same as mentioned above. Then we find the Eq. (B11) and Eq. (B9) has the solution $\varepsilon = -\varepsilon_n(-k)$ but does not have $\varepsilon = -\varepsilon_m(-k)$ ($m \neq n$).

**Appendix D: Symmetry**

In this Appendix, we show systematically how the symmetries of a system put some constraint on the form of $R(k,\varepsilon)$. In general, a symmetry operation is either described by a unitary or antiunitary transformation, which are separately discussed. As a former example we show that the SU(2) symmetry of a bosonic BdG Hamiltonian of antiferro-magnons is reduced to the SU(2) symmetry of an effective Hamiltonian $H_{\text{eff}}(k,\varepsilon)$ and gives $R(k,\varepsilon) = 0$. As a latter example, it is confirmed that an effective time-reversal symmetry operation actually flips this pseudo-spin.

### a. Unitary transformation

Suppose that the spin-wave Hamiltonian $\hat{H}_{\text{sw}}$ in Eq. (D1) is invariant under the similarity transformation by a unitary operator, $\hat{U}$,
\[ \hat{U}\hat{H}_{\text{sw}}\hat{U}^\dagger = \hat{H}_{\text{sw}}. \tag{D1} \]
We introduce a $2 \times 2$ unitary matrix, $U$, that represents this unitary transformation which should fulfill:
\[ \hat{U}\hat{a}(k)\hat{U}^\dagger = \hat{a}(k') \tag{D2} \]
Accordingly, the symmetry operation for $\hat{\Phi}(k) = (\hat{a}(k),\hat{b}(k),\hat{a}^\dagger(-k),\hat{b}^\dagger(-k))^T$ is given as
\[ \hat{U}\hat{\Phi}(k)\hat{U}^\dagger = \left( \begin{array}{c} U \\\ U^T \end{array} \right) \hat{\Phi}(k'). \tag{D3} \]
For such $U$, the elements of $H_{\text{BdG}}(k)$ satisfy
\[ U\Xi(k)U^\dagger = \Xi(k'), \tag{D4} \]
\[ U\Delta(k)U^T = \Delta(k'). \tag{D5} \]

From Eqs. (18), (D4) and (D5), we find that when the system has the symmetry represented by Eqs. (D1), and (D2), the effective Hamiltonian $H_{\text{eff}}(k,\varepsilon)$ also has the symmetry described by the following relation:
\[ \hat{U}H_{\text{eff}}(k,\varepsilon)\hat{U}^\dagger = H_{\text{eff}}(k',\varepsilon). \tag{D6} \]

We now consider an SU(2) symmetry of magnon systems the authors introduced in Ref. (25) as an example. The corresponding SU(2) algebra in the space spanned by $\Phi(k)$ is given by the $4 \times 4$ matrices,
\[ J_x^\sigma = \tau^0 \otimes \sigma^x, \quad J_y^\sigma = \tau^z \otimes \sigma^y, \quad J_z^\sigma = \tau^z \otimes \sigma^z, \tag{D7} \]
and one can see that these matrices satisfy the SU(2) commutation relation $[J^\mu, J^\nu] = 2i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}J^\rho$ ($\mu, \nu, \rho = x,y,z$). If the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian satisfies, $[H_{\text{BdG}}(k), J^\mu] = 0$ ($\mu = x,y,z$), the system has a U(1) symmetry about the $\mu$-axis, and such a symmetry puts restriction on magnon bands and magnon spin textures in momentum space.

Let us see how this symmetry is reflected in the effective Hamiltonian. The $2 \times 2$ unitary matrices $U^\mu$ which corresponds to $J^\mu$ ($\mu = x,y,z$) can be written as
\[ U^x = \sigma^x, \quad U^y = \sigma^y, \quad U^z = i\sigma^z. \tag{D8} \]
Thus, when the system has the U(1) symmetry represented by $J^\mu$, the effective Hamiltonian satisfies the following relation:

$$[H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon), \sigma^\mu] = 0,$$

which leads to $R^\mu(k, \varepsilon) = 0$. Therefore, when the system has the SU(2) symmetry, Eq. (D9) holds for all $\mu = x, y, z$, which gives $R(k, \varepsilon) = 0$. This reminds us of the single-orbital electronic systems, where the U(1) symmetry is described as $[H(k), \sigma^\mu] = 0$, $(\mu = x, y, z)$, and the SU(2) symmetry leads to the doubly degenerate energy bands.

b. Antiunitary transformation

Next, we consider the symmetry represented by the similarity transformation in terms of an antiunitary operator, $\hat{T}$,

$$\hat{T} \hat{H}_{\text{aw}} \hat{T}^\dagger = \hat{H}_{\text{aw}},$$

where $\hat{T}$ satisfies $\hat{T} i \hat{T}^{-1} = -i$. The $2 \times 2$ unitary matrix, $U$, for this transformation satisfies

$$\hat{T} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}(k) \\ \hat{b}(k) \end{pmatrix} \hat{T}^{-1} = U^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}(k') \\ \hat{b}(k') \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\hat{T} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}^\dagger(k) \\ \hat{b}^\dagger(k) \end{pmatrix} \hat{T}^{-1} = U^T \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}^\dagger(k') \\ \hat{b}^\dagger(k') \end{pmatrix},$$

and together with Eq. (D10), the elements of $H_{\text{BdG}}(k)$ fulfills

$$UK\Xi(k)K^{-1}U^\dagger = \Xi(k'),$$

$$UK\Delta(k)K^{-1}U^T = \Delta(k'),$$

where $K$ is the complex conjugation operator satisfying $KiK^{-1} = -i$. Accordingly, from Eqs. (18), (D4) and (D5), the effective Hamiltonian satisfies

$$UKH_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon)K^{-1}U^\dagger = H_{\text{eff}}(k', \varepsilon).$$

As an example, we consider the effective time-reversal symmetry for antiferro-magnons introduced in Refs. [21, 22, 23], which leads to the Kramers pair of magnons and the $\mathbb{Z}_2$ topological invariant for this symmetry corresponds to a class AI [21]. This fact implies that such an effective time-reversal symmetry flips the pseudo-spin of antiferro-magnons, as the time-reversal symmetry for electrons does to the electronic spins. The effective time-reversal symmetry operation is represented by the $4 \times 4$ matrices as

$$\tilde{\Theta}_{\text{tr}}H_{\text{BdG}}(-k)\tilde{\Theta}_{\text{tr}}^{-1} = H_{\text{BdG}}(k),$$

with $\tilde{\Theta}_{\text{tr}} = iJ^yK$. The corresponding symmetry for a $2 \times 2$ effective Hamiltonian is given as

$$\Theta_{\text{tr}}H_{\text{eff}}(-k, \varepsilon)\Theta_{\text{tr}}^{-1} = H_{\text{eff}}(k, \varepsilon),$$

with $\Theta_{\text{tr}} = i\sigma^yK$, which leads to the following relation:

$$R(-k, \varepsilon) = -R(k, \varepsilon).$$

In the electronic systems, the true time-reversal operator takes the same form as the above $\Theta_{\text{tr}}$, which then gives $R(-k) = -R(k)$ for $R(k)$ in Eqs. (1) and (3). We thus confirm that $\sigma$ in the effective Hamiltonian of magnons actually serves as a pseudo-spin degrees of freedom of antiferro-magnons.

Appendix E: Other spin textures in the KHG model

When $\Gamma = 0$, the classical energy in Eq. (29) is reduced to the form

$$E_{\text{cgs}} = -(3J + 2K)N_e S^2 \cos 2\zeta - 2(h \cdot e_u) N_e S \sin \zeta,$$

and one can immediately see that $e_u = h / h$. The canting angle is given as $\zeta = \arcsin (h/(2(3J + 2K)S))$. The lowest energy of $E_{\text{cgs}}$ has a degeneracy in terms of rotating $e_u$ about the $e_u$-axis, which is described by the angle $\eta = 0 \sim 2\pi$ (see Fig. 3(b)). When $K \neq 0$, this degeneracy is accidental since the system has no spin-rotational symmetry about $e_u$. This degeneracy is lifted quantum mechanically via the order-by-disorder mechanism [24, 25].

The angle $\eta$ is thus determined by minimizing the following zero-point fluctuation energy density,

$$\varepsilon_{\text{zero}}(\eta) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\text{BZ}} \frac{d^2k}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{n=\pm} \varepsilon_n(k),$$

where we get the energy bands $\varepsilon_n(k)$ numerically, and the integral runs over the Brillouin zone. Even if $\Gamma \neq 0$, the classical ground state becomes degenerates when the magnetic field is parallel to the [111]-direction, $h / h = (1, 1, 1)/\sqrt{3}$, and we need to consider the zero-point fluctuation to determine the direction of $e_u$.

Figure 3(a) shows $\varepsilon_{\text{zero}}(\eta)$ as a function of $\eta$ for two different choices of field directions. For the magnetic field in the $z$-direction, $h / h = (0, 0, 1), e_s = \pm e_z$ and $\pm e_u$ are selected by the zero-point fluctuation. The similar behavior of $\varepsilon_{\text{zero}}(\eta)$ is also observed when $h / h$ lies in the $xy$-, $yz$-, and $zx$-planes, which leads to $e_s = \pm e_z$, $e_s = \pm e_x$, and $e_u = \pm e_u$, respectively. For the magnetic field in the [111] direction, $h / h = (1, 1, 1)/\sqrt{3}$, which is perpendicular to the honeycomb plane. $e_s = (0, 1, -1)/\sqrt{2}$ is selected, for example.

The direction of the uniform magnetization $e_u$ is parallel to $h$, and the classical degeneracy is such that the $e_s$ rotates around $h$. When $h$ lies in the $xy$-, $yz$-, and $zx$-plane, the zero-point fluctuation selects $e_s$ to either of the three links, $\mu = x, y, z$. This configuration maximally gains the zero point fluctuation energy since the fluctuation of magnons along the other two links could equivalently contribute to the zero point fluctuation energy. In fact, when $h / h = (1, 0, 0)$, $e_s$ points in the $y$-
or \(z\)-directions which are perpendicular to the \(y\)- and \(z\)-links, respectively. However, for \(h/h = (1,1,1)/\sqrt{3}\) (perpendicular to the honeycomb plane), one cannot take \(e_s\) in that manner.

When \(e_s\) is perpendicular to either of the \(x\), \(y\), \(z\)-links, we find \(\text{Im}Q = 0\). For example, when \(e_s \parallel x\),

\[
\text{Im}Q = KS \sin \zeta \sin 2\eta \left( e_s \cdot (e_x \times e_u) \right) = 0, \quad (E3)
\]

and this immediately gives \(R^z(k, \varepsilon) = 0\) from Eqs. (41) and (42). Therefore, when \(\Gamma = 0\) and \(h\) lies in the \(xy\)-, \(yz\)- and \(zx\)-plane, a type-(ii) spin texture realizes. One can see \(\text{Im}Q = 0\) line in Fig. 4 (c).

We show in Figs. 3(b) and (c) several cases of spin textures with and without \(K\) or \(\Gamma\). As discussed above, for \(\Gamma = 0\), the magnetic moments point in the direction perpendicular to the \(y\) or \(z\)-axis for \(h/h = (0,0,1)\), in which case \(R^z(k, \varepsilon) = 0\) and type-(ii) is realized. Otherwise, we basically find type-(iii) while the variation of the direction of \(S_z(k)\) is not necessarily for the cases presented here. It can be explained by the field-direction dependence of \(\text{Im}Q\) as shown in Fig. 4. When \(K = 0\) or \(\Gamma = 0\), \(\text{Im}Q\) is smaller than that of \(K \neq 0\) and \(\Gamma \neq 0\). Therefore, one needs to carefully examine whether the value of \(Q\) in Eq. (42) determined solely by the field direction (minimizing the ground state energy) has a large enough value to contribute to the variation of \(R^z(\varepsilon, k)\).

### Appendix F: Analytical Expression of \(P\) and \(Q\) of the KHG model

We show the details of the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian of the KHG model. We choose the local right-handed coordinate basis, \(X_{A/B}\) and \(Y_{A/B}\) as

\[
X_A = e_u \cos \zeta - e_s \sin \zeta, \quad X_B = -e_u \cos \zeta - e_s \sin \zeta, \\
Y_A = Y_B = e_x \times e_u. \quad (F1)
\]

The Holstein-Primakoff transformation for a bilinear spin interaction \(S^\mu_{iA} S^\nu_{jB} (\mu, \nu = x, y, z)\) is given by

\[
\hat{S}^\mu_{iA} \hat{S}^\nu_{jB} = \left\{ S^2 - S (\hat{a}^\dagger_{iA} \hat{a}_{iA} + \hat{b}^\dagger_{jB} \hat{b}_{jB}) \right\} M^\mu_{AB} M^\nu_{AB} + \left( C^\mu_{AB} \hat{a}_{iA}^\dagger \hat{a}_{jB} + I^\mu_{AB} \hat{a}_{iA}^\dagger \hat{a}_{jB} + \text{h.c.} \right), \quad (F2)
\]

where

\[
C^\mu_{AB} = \frac{S}{2} \left\{ X^\mu_A X^\nu_B - Y^\mu_A Y^\nu_B + i (X^\mu_A Y^\nu_B + Y^\mu_A X^\nu_B) \right\}, \quad (F3)
\]

\[
I^\mu_{AB} = \frac{S}{2} \left\{ X^\mu_A X^\nu_B + Y^\mu_A Y^\nu_B - i (X^\mu_A Y^\nu_B - Y^\mu_A X^\nu_B) \right\}. \quad (F4)
\]

\[
P = (P_x, P_y, P_z)^T \quad \text{and} \quad Q = (Q_x, Q_y, Q_z)^T \quad \text{in Eqs. (34), (35), (37) and (38) are expressed as}
\]

\[
P = JS \sin^2 \zeta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + 2K \begin{bmatrix} T^x_{AB} & T^y_{AB} & T^z_{AB} \\ T^y_{AB} & T^z_{AB} & T^x_{AB} \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma \begin{bmatrix} T^x_{AB} + T^y_{AB} & T^x_{AB} + T^y_{AB} & T^z_{AB} + T^z_{AB} \\ T^y_{AB} + T^y_{AB} & T^z_{AB} + T^z_{AB} & T^x_{AB} + T^x_{AB} \end{bmatrix} \right), \quad (F5)
\]

\[
Q = -JS \cos^2 \zeta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + 2K \begin{bmatrix} C^x_{AB} & C^y_{AB} & C^z_{AB} \\ C^y_{AB} & C^z_{AB} & C^x_{AB} \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma \begin{bmatrix} C^x_{AB} + C^y_{AB} & C^x_{AB} + C^y_{AB} & C^z_{AB} + C^z_{AB} \\ C^y_{AB} + C^y_{AB} & C^z_{AB} + C^z_{AB} & C^x_{AB} + C^x_{AB} \end{bmatrix} \right). \quad (F6)
\]

From Eq. (42), we need to know the explicit form of \(\text{Re}Q\) and \(\text{Im}Q\). The latter is present in Eq. (43) and the former is given as

\[
\text{Re}Q = -JS \cos^2 \zeta \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} - KS \text{Re}Q_K - \Gamma S \text{Re}Q_T, \quad (F7)
\]

where

\[
\text{Re}Q_K = \left( e_x^2 \cos^2 \zeta - e_y^2 \sin^2 \zeta \right) \left( (e_x \times e_u)^2 + (e_x \times e_u)^2 \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Re}Q_T = \left( e_x^2 \cos^2 \zeta - e_y^2 \sin^2 \zeta \right) \left( (e_x \times e_u)^2 + (e_x \times e_u)^2 \right)
\]

which is apparently nonzero. Therefore, examining \(\text{Im}Q\) is important to clarify the behavior of \(R^z(\varepsilon, k)\) as performed in the main text.

### Appendix G: Details of the BdG Hamiltonian of the honeycomb antiferromagnet

We show the parameter values of the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian of the honeycomb antiferromagnet in 3HC. When we consider the \(z\)-AFM phase, the bosonic BdG Hamiltonian given in Eq. (49) consists of parameters

\[
\Xi_0(k) = 3(J_1 + G_1)S - 6(J_2 + G_2)S + 2\text{Re} \left[ (J_2 - G_2 + iD) \sum \cos k \cdot \delta, \quad (G1) \right.
\]

\[
\Delta_x(k) = (J_1 - G_1) S \sum \cos k \cdot \delta, \quad (G2)
\]

\[
\Delta_y(k) = (J_1 - G_1) S \sum \sin k \cdot \delta, \quad (G3)
\]

For the \(xy\)-AFM phase with \(h \parallel a\), the parameters in
which do not include $D$. $\Xi_0(k)$ are given as

$$
\Xi_0(k) = 3(J_1 - G_1) S \cos 2\zeta - 6(J_2 - G_2) S \\
+ h \sin \zeta + 2J_2 S \Re \left[ \sum_{\delta'} e^{ik\cdot\delta'} \right],
$$

(G4)

$$
\Xi_x(k) = (J_1 \sin^2 \zeta + G_1 \cos^2 \zeta) S \sum_{\mu} \cos k \cdot \delta_\mu,
$$

(G5)

$$
\Xi_y(k) = -(J_1 \sin^2 \zeta + G_1 \cos^2 \zeta) S \sum_{\mu} \sin k \cdot \delta_\mu,
$$

(G6)

$$
\Delta_0(k) = -2G_2 S \Re \left[ \sum_{\delta'} e^{ik\cdot\delta'} \right],
$$

(G7)

$$
\Delta_x(k) = -(J_1 \cos^2 \zeta + G_1 \sin^2 \zeta) S \sum_{\mu} \cos k \cdot \delta_\mu,
$$

(G8)

$$
\Delta_y(k) = (J_1 \cos^2 \zeta + G_1 \sin^2 \zeta) S \sum_{\mu} \sin k \cdot \delta_\mu,
$$

(G9)

which do not include $D$.

When $h \parallel c$ is applied to the xy-AFM, the parameters become

$$
\Xi_0(k) = 3(J_1 + 2G_2) S \cos 2\zeta - 3(G_1 + 2J_2) S \\
+ h \sin \zeta + 2(J_2 - G_2 \sin^2 \zeta) S \Re \left[ \sum_{\delta'} e^{ik\cdot\delta'} \right],
$$

(G10)

$$
\Xi_x(k) = (J_1 \sin^2 \zeta - G_1) S \sum_{\mu} \cos k \cdot \delta_\mu,
$$

(G11)

$$
\Xi_y(k) = -(J_1 \sin^2 \zeta - G_1) S \sum_{\mu} \sin k \cdot \delta_\mu,
$$

(G12)

$$
\Delta_0(k) = -2G_2 S \Re \left[ \sum_{\delta'} e^{ik\cdot\delta'} \right],
$$

(G13)

$$
\Delta_x(k) = -(J_1 \cos^2 \zeta + G_1 \sin^2 \zeta) S \sum_{\mu} \cos k \cdot \delta_\mu,
$$

(G14)

$$
\Delta_y(k) = J_1 \cos^2 \zeta \sum_{\mu} \sin k \cdot \delta_\mu.
$$

(G16)

which gives type-(iii) spin spin texture.

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