Full Slonczewski-Weiss-McClure parametrization of twisted bilayer graphene

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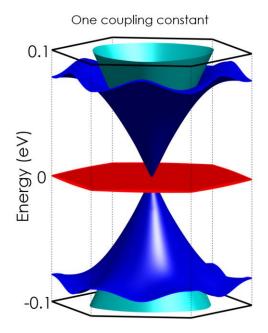
The origin of strongly correlated phenomena in magic-angle twisted bilayer graphene is closely related with the formation of nearly flat bands in the electronic dispersion [1]. The commonly used Bistritzer-McDonald (BM) model [2,3] parametrises the twisted interface using only one coupling constant and predicts the formation of such dispersionless bands. However, other spectral features observed in experiments, such as electron-hole asymmetry, remain unexplained under this model.

In this talk, we present linear-in-momentum corrections to the BM model, that accounts for the interlayer tunnelling processes prescribed by the full set of Slonczewski-Weiss McClure (SWMcC) coupling parameters of Bernal bilayer graphene [4]. Using this continuum model, the band structure exhibits electron-hole asymmetry and a clear spectral isolation of the flat bands in the conduction side [5], which agrees with other theoretical approaches, including tight-binding and density functional theory.

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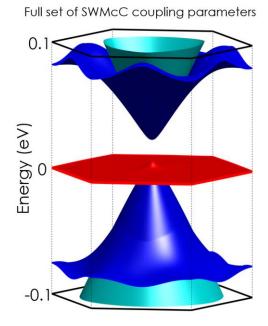


Figure 1: Band structure of magic-angle twisted bilayer graphene using the BM model (left) and using the full set of SWMcC coupling parameters (right).