Title: Classification of topological insulators using Clifford algebras

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Abstract

I will review a simplified version of classification theory of topological insulators and superconductors. The theory is based on topological classification of mass terms of Dirac Hamiltonians. This approach can be used to classify topological insulators with a reflection symmetry (topological crystalline insulators) as well. I will also discuss stability of surface states against Anderson localization.