Anomalous Tunneling of Spin Wave in Heisenberg Ferromagnet

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The ferromagnetic spin wave (FSW) in classical Heisenberg chain exhibits the perfect transmission at long-wavelength limit in the transmission-reflection problem with an inhomogeneity of exchange integral. In the presence of local magnetic field, on the other hand, FSW undergoes the perfect reflection at longwavelength limit. The difference at long-wavelength limit is attributed to the symmetry property of the scatterers; it is crucial whether the potential preserves or breaks the spin rotation symmetry. Our result implies that the anomalous tunneling property (perfect transmission at low energy limit) found in scalar¹ and spinor² BEC is not specific to the gapless modes in superfluids but is a common property shared with generic Nambu-Goldstone modes in the presence of a symmetry-preserving potential scatterer.

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