

# Supplementary material: Rashba spin-orbit effects in tunnel junctions with magnetic insulators

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We develop the simple cubic tight-binding Hamiltonian within the Keldysh formalism to study tunnel junctions in the presence of Rashba spin-orbit coupling. This model permits the direct calculation of the anomalous and spin Hall effects, the anisotropic tunneling magnetoresistance, the tunneling anisotropic magnetoresistance, and the Rashba torque.

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## I. MATRIX ELEMENTS

In second quantization, a one dimensional operator  $\hat{O}$  reads,

$$\hat{O} = \sum_{j,j',\sigma,\sigma'} T_{j,j'}^{\sigma,\sigma'} \hat{c}_{j'}^{\dagger\sigma'} \hat{c}_j^\sigma = \sum_{j,j'} T_{j,j'}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{j'}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_j^\uparrow + T_{j,j'}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{j'}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_j^\downarrow + T_{j,j'}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{j'}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_j^\uparrow + T_{j,j'}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{j'}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_j^\downarrow. \quad (1)$$

$\hat{c}_{j'}^{\dagger\sigma'}$  ( $\hat{c}_j^\sigma$ ) is the creation (annihilation) operator on site  $j'$  ( $j$ ) with spin index  $\sigma'$  ( $\sigma$ ) and  $T_{j,j'}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$  is the matrix element. To visualize the system, let's consider a chain of atoms, where each site is enumerated, see Fig. 1.



FIG. 1. One dimensional chain

The creation and annihilation operators in this system show the following properties,

$$\hat{c}_j^\sigma |0\dots1000\dots0, \sigma\rangle = |0\dots0000\dots0\rangle, \quad (2)$$

$$\hat{c}_j^\sigma |0\dots0001\dots0, \sigma\rangle = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$\hat{c}_{j'}^{\dagger\sigma'} |0\dots0000\dots0\rangle = |0\dots0001\dots0, \sigma'\rangle. \quad (4)$$

$$\hat{c}_{j'}^{\dagger\sigma'} |0\dots0001\dots0\rangle = 0, \quad (5)$$

$$\hat{c}_{j'}^{\dagger\sigma'} |0\dots1000\dots0\rangle = 0. \quad (6)$$

$|0\dots1000\dots0, \sigma\rangle$  represents the state where an electron with spin  $\sigma$  exists at site  $j$ ; therefore, it takes the value of 1 at this site and 0 in all the others. The operator  $\hat{c}_j^\sigma$  destroys an electron on site  $j$  with spin  $\sigma$ ; therefore if we apply this operator to our state  $|0\dots1000\dots0, \sigma\rangle$ , our new state becomes  $|0\dots0000\dots0\rangle$ , which is called the vacuum state, see Eq. (2). If we instead apply the same operator to a system where the electron is on site  $j'$  rather than  $j$ , then the result is zero as there is no electron to destroy on site  $j$ , see Eq. (3). Similarly, if we consider the vacuum state,  $|0\dots0000\dots0\rangle$ , and apply the creation operator  $\hat{c}_{j'}^{\dagger\sigma'}$ , then we will create an electron on site  $j'$  with spin  $\sigma'$  and therefore our new state becomes  $|0\dots0001\dots0, \sigma'\rangle$ , see Eq. (4). If an electron already exists on site  $j'$  and we apply the creation operator then the result is zero as, in the present model, we cannot have two electrons on the same site, see Eq. (5). In addition, if we apply the creation operator on site  $j'$  considering a state that has already an electron on site  $j$ , the result is also zero as in the present model only one electron exists in the whole system, see Eq. (6). To simplify the notation we consider the following,

$$|0\dots1000\dots0, \sigma\rangle = |j, \sigma\rangle, \quad (7)$$

$$|0\dots0001\dots0, \sigma'\rangle = |j', \sigma'\rangle, \quad (8)$$

$$|0\dots0000\dots0\rangle = |0\rangle. \quad (9)$$

Considering Eq. (1) and the properties of the creation and annihilation operators we have,

$$\langle j', \sigma' | \hat{O} | j, \sigma \rangle = \langle j', \sigma' | \sum_{n,m,\alpha,\alpha'} T_{n,m}^{\alpha,\alpha'} \hat{c}_m^{\dagger\alpha'} \hat{c}_n^\alpha | j, \sigma \rangle, \quad (10)$$

$$= \langle j', \sigma' | \sum_{m,\alpha'} T_{j,m}^{\sigma,\alpha'} \hat{c}_m^{\dagger\alpha'} \hat{c}_j^\sigma | j, \sigma \rangle \quad (11)$$

$$= \langle j', \sigma' | \sum_{m,\alpha'} T_{j,m}^{\sigma,\alpha'} \hat{c}_m^{\dagger\alpha'} | 0 \rangle, \quad (12)$$

$$= \langle j', \sigma' | \sum_{m,\alpha'} T_{j,m}^{\sigma,\alpha'} | m, \alpha' \rangle, \quad (13)$$

$$= \sum_{m,\alpha'} T_{j,m}^{\sigma,\alpha'} \langle j', \sigma' | m, \alpha' \rangle, \quad (14)$$

$$= T_{j,j'}^{\sigma,\sigma'} \langle j', \sigma' | j', \sigma' \rangle, \quad (15)$$

$$\langle j', \sigma' | \hat{O} | j, \sigma \rangle = T_{j,j'}^{\sigma,\sigma'}. \quad (16)$$

Consequently, in detail, the matrix elements are

$$T_{j,j'}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} = \langle j', \uparrow | \hat{O} | j, \uparrow \rangle, \quad (17)$$

$$T_{j,j'}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} = \langle j', \downarrow | \hat{O} | j, \uparrow \rangle, \quad (18)$$

$$T_{j,j'}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} = \langle j', \uparrow | \hat{O} | j, \downarrow \rangle, \quad (19)$$

$$T_{j,j'}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} = \langle j', \downarrow | \hat{O} | j, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (20)$$

These results are the basis to derive any operator and its matrix elements in second quantization.

## II. HAMILTONIAN OPERATOR

In the present work we study a magnetic tunnel junction in the presence of Rashba spin-orbit coupling. Transport is defined along the  $y$ -axis. The most general Hamiltonian for this system is given by,

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_U + \hat{H}_p + \hat{H}_\Delta + \hat{H}_{so}. \quad (21)$$

$\hat{H}_U$  appears in the barrier region only and is referred to as the potential Hamiltonian.  $\hat{H}_p$ , present everywhere, is the kinetic Hamiltonian. The third term,  $\hat{H}_\Delta$ , present in magnetic layers only, is the exchange Hamiltonian, and the last term,  $\hat{H}_{so}$ , is the spin-orbit coupling Hamiltonian, which appears at the interface of two samples for the particular case of Rashba spin-orbit coupling.

### A. Potential Operator

We first study the potential Hamiltonian. In first quantization we have,

$$\hat{H}_U = U(y) \quad (22)$$

The matrix element notation, given in Eq. (16) for a one dimensional case, can be extended to a three dimensional case. For the potential in the barrier region we have,

$$T_{ijk,i'j'k'}^{\sigma,\sigma'} = \langle i'j'k', \sigma' | \hat{H}_U | ijk, \sigma \rangle, \quad (23)$$

where subindexes  $(i, i')$  run along the  $x$ -axis,  $(j, j')$  along the  $y$ -axis, and  $(k, k')$  along the  $z$ -axis. In its matrix form we have,

$$= (\langle i'j'k', \uparrow |, \langle i'j'k', \downarrow |) \begin{pmatrix} U(y) & 0 \\ 0 & U(y) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | ijk, \uparrow \rangle \\ | ijk, \downarrow \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad (24)$$

$$= \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | U(y) | ijk, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | U(y) | ijk, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (25)$$

Consequently, in analogy to Eqs. (17)-(20), we have

$$T_{ijk,i'j'k'}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} = \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | U(y) | ijk, \uparrow \rangle, \quad (26)$$

$$T_{ijk,i'j'k'}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} = 0, \quad (27)$$

$$T_{ijk,i'j'k'}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} = 0, \quad (28)$$

$$T_{ijk,i'j'k'}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} = \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | U(y) | ijk, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (29)$$

Applying Eq. (1) in our potential operator we get,

$$\hat{H}_U = \sum_{ijk, i'j'k', \sigma, \sigma'} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\sigma, \sigma'} \hat{c}_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \sigma'} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\sigma} \quad (30)$$

$$= \sum_{ijk, i'j'k'} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}. \quad (31)$$

Replacing Eqs. (26)-(29) in Eq. (31) and summing over prime indices we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_U &= \sum_{ijk, i'j'k'} \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | U(y) | ijk, \uparrow \rangle c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | U(y) | ijk, \downarrow \rangle c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \\ &= U(y) \sum_{ijk} c_{ijk}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ijk}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Eq. (32) refers to the potential operator in second quantization.

## B. Exchange Operator

In first quantization the s-d exchange interaction reads,

$$\hat{H}_\Delta = \Delta \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \mathbf{m}, \quad (33)$$

$\Delta$  is the exchange parameter,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = (\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z)$  is the Pauli matrix vector, and  $\mathbf{m}$  is the magnetization unit vector. We consider a random orientation of the magnetization vector; therefore, in spherical coordinates we have  $\mathbf{m} = (\cos \phi \sin \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \theta)$ . Considering,

$$\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (34)$$

and the property,  $e^{\pm i\phi} = \cos \phi \pm i \sin \phi$ , we have,

$$\hat{H}_\Delta = \Delta \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}. \quad (35)$$

The matrix element notation, given in Eq. (16) for a one dimensional case can be extended to a three dimensional case. For the s-d exchange interaction we have,

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\sigma, \sigma'} = \langle i'j'k', \sigma' | \hat{H}_\Delta | ijk, \sigma \rangle \quad (36)$$

which in a matrix form can be given as,

$$= (\langle i'j'k', \uparrow |, \langle i'j'k', \downarrow |) \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | ijk, \uparrow \rangle \\ | ijk, \downarrow \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad (37)$$

$$= (\langle i'j'k', \uparrow |, \langle i'j'k', \downarrow |) \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta | ijk, \uparrow \rangle + \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} | ijk, \downarrow \rangle \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} | ijk, \uparrow \rangle - \cos \theta | ijk, \downarrow \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad (38)$$

$$= \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \cos \theta | ijk, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} | ijk, \downarrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | \sin \theta e^{i\phi} | ijk, \uparrow \rangle - \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | \cos \theta | ijk, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (39)$$

Consequently, in analogy to Eqs. (17)-(20), we have

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} = +\langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \cos \theta | ijk, \uparrow \rangle, \quad (40)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} = +\langle i'j'k', \downarrow | \sin \theta e^{i\phi} | ijk, \uparrow \rangle \quad (41)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} = +\langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} | ijk, \downarrow \rangle, \quad (42)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} = -\langle i'j'k', \downarrow | \cos \theta | ijk, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (43)$$

Applying Eq. (1) in our s-d exchange coupling operator, we get,

$$\hat{H}_\Delta = \sum_{ijk, i'j'k', \sigma, \sigma'} T_{ijk, i'j'k', \sigma, \sigma'}^{\sigma, \sigma'} \hat{c}_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \sigma'} \hat{c}_{ijk}^\sigma \quad (44)$$

$$= \sum_{ijk, i'j'k'} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow. \quad (45)$$

Replacing Eqs. (40)-(43) in Eq. (45) and summing over prime indices we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_\Delta &= \sum_{ijk, i'j'k'} \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \cos \theta | ijk, \uparrow \rangle c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | \sin \theta e^{i\phi} | ijk, \uparrow \rangle c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow \\ &\quad + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} | ijk, \downarrow \rangle c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow - \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | \cos \theta | ijk, \downarrow \rangle c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow \\ &= \sum_{ijk} \cos \theta c_{ijk}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + \sin \theta e^{i\phi} c_{ijk}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} c_{ijk}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow - \cos \theta c_{ijk}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

Eq. (46) refers to the s-d exchange interaction operator in second quantization.

### C. Kinetic Operator

In first quantization, the kinetic operator reads,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_p &= \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2), \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

where  $\mathbf{p} = -i\hbar\nabla$ . Before proceeding to retrieve the matrix elements of  $\hat{H}_p$ , we first discretize the differential operators,  $\partial_i$  and  $\partial_i^2$ . To discretize  $\partial_i$  we consider the following properties of derivatives based in Taylor expansion,

$$f(x_0 + h) = f(x_0) + hf'(x_0) + h^2 f''(x_0)/2, \quad (48)$$

$$f(x_0 - h) = f(x_0) - hf'(x_0) + h^2 f''(x_0)/2. \quad (49)$$

Subtracting Eqs. (48) and (49),

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 - h)}{2h} = f'(x_0) = \partial_x f(x)|_{x=x_0}. \quad (50)$$

Therefore, for a discrete system we have,

$$\frac{f_{i+1} - f_{i-1}}{2a} = \partial_x f_i \quad (51)$$

where  $a$  is the distance from one site to the next one. Eq. (51) tells us that the first order differential operator applied on  $i$  can be expressed as the difference of states in  $i+1$  and  $i-1$ . The same analysis holds for the  $y$ - and  $z$ - components,

$$\frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{2a} = \partial_y f_j, \quad (52)$$

$$\frac{f_{k+1} - f_{k-1}}{2a} = \partial_z f_k. \quad (53)$$

The second order differential operator appears by summing up Eqs. (48) and (49),

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) + f(x_0 - h) - 2f(x_0)}{h^2} = f''(x_0) = \partial_x^2 f(x)|_{x=x_0}. \quad (54)$$

Therefore for a discrete system we have,

$$\frac{f_{i+1} + f_{i-1} - 2f_i}{a^2} = \partial_x^2 f_i \quad (55)$$

The same analysis holds for the  $y$ - and  $z$ - components,

$$\frac{f_{j+1} + f_{j-1} - 2f_j}{a^2} = \partial_y^2 f_j, \quad (56)$$

$$\frac{f_{k+1} + f_{k-1} - 2f_k}{a^2} = \partial_z^2 f_k. \quad (57)$$

Having defined the differential operators, we now proceed to retrieve the matrix elements. We have,

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\sigma, \sigma'} = \langle i'j'k', \sigma' | \hat{H}_p | ijk, \sigma \rangle, \quad (58)$$

which in its matrix form is given by,

$$= (\langle i'j'k', \uparrow |, \langle i'j'k', \downarrow |) \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2) & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |ijk, \uparrow\rangle \\ |ijk, \downarrow\rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad (59)$$

$$= \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2) | ijk, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2) | ijk, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (60)$$

Consequently, in analogy to Eqs. (17)-(20), we have

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} = \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2) | ijk, \uparrow \rangle, \quad (61)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} = 0, \quad (62)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} = 0, \quad (63)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} = \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2) | ijk, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (64)$$

Replacing the second-order differential operators given in Eqs. (55)-(57) we get,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} &= \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2) | ijk, \uparrow \rangle, \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [\langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \partial_x^2 | ijk, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \partial_y^2 | ijk, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | \partial_z^2 | ijk, \uparrow \rangle] \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} [\langle i'j'k', \uparrow | i + 1jk, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | i - 1jk, \uparrow \rangle - 2\langle i'j'k', \uparrow | ijk, \uparrow \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | ij + 1k, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | ij - 1k, \uparrow \rangle - 2\langle i'j'k', \uparrow | ijk, \uparrow \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | ijk + 1, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \uparrow | ijk - 1, \uparrow \rangle - 2\langle i'j'k', \uparrow | ijk, \uparrow \rangle], \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} = 0, \quad (66)$$

$$T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} = 0, \quad (67)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} [\langle i'j'k', \downarrow | i + 1jk, \downarrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | i - 1jk, \downarrow \rangle - 2\langle i'j'k', \downarrow | ijk, \downarrow \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | ij + 1k, \downarrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | ij - 1k, \downarrow \rangle - 2\langle i'j'k', \downarrow | ijk, \downarrow \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | ijk + 1, \downarrow \rangle + \langle i'j'k', \downarrow | ijk - 1, \downarrow \rangle - 2\langle i'j'k', \downarrow | ijk, \downarrow \rangle]. \end{aligned} \quad (68)$$

Applying Eq. (1) in our kinetic operator, we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_p &= \sum_{ijk, i'j'k', \sigma, \sigma'} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\sigma, \sigma'} \hat{c}_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \sigma'} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\sigma}, \\
&= \sum_{ijk, i'j'k'} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}, \\
&= \sum_{ijk, i'j'k'} T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + T_{ijk, i'j'k'}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} c_{i'j'k'}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}.
\end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

Replacing Eqs. (65)-(68) in Eq. (69) and summing over  $i'$ ,  $j'$ , and  $k'$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_p &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk} \left[ c_{i+1jk}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{i-1jk}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ij+1k}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ij-1k}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ijk+1}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ijk-1}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} - 6c_{ijk}^{\dagger \uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + c_{i+1jk}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{i-1jk}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ij+1k}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ij-1k}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk+1}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk-1}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - 6c_{ijk}^{\dagger \downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{70}$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk, \sigma} \left[ c_{i+1jk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{i-1jk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ij+1k}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ij-1k}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ijk+1}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ijk-1}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} - 6c_{ijk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} \right] \tag{71}$$

Considering that we are summing up over a huge number of atomic sites, subindexes can be modified as follow,

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_p &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk, \sigma} \left[ c_{i+1jk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ijk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{i+1jk}^{\sigma} + c_{ij+1k}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ijk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ij+1k}^{\sigma} + c_{ijk+1}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ijk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk+1}^{\sigma} - 6c_{ijk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} \right] \\
&= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk, \sigma} \left[ c_{i+1jk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ij+1k}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + c_{ijk+1}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} - 3c_{ijk}^{\dagger \sigma} c_{ijk}^{\sigma} + h.c. \right],
\end{aligned} \tag{72}$$

where  $h.c.$  is the Hermitian conjugate. Eq. (72) refers to the kinetic operator in second quantization.

### D. Rashba spin-orbit coupling Operator along the $xz$ -plane

In first quantization, Rashba spin-orbit coupling in a 2DEG along the  $xz$ -plane reads

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_{so} &= \lambda_{so} (\mathbf{y} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \\
&= \lambda_{so} (\sigma_x k_z - \sigma_z k_x)
\end{aligned} \tag{73}$$

where  $\sigma_i$  denotes the Pauli matrix element given in Eq. (34),  $p_i = \hbar k_i = -i\hbar \partial_i$  is the momentum, and  $\lambda_{so}$  is the Rashba coefficient. Replacing these values we have,

$$\hat{H}_{so} = i\lambda_{so} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_x & -\partial_z \\ -\partial_z & -\partial_x \end{pmatrix}. \tag{74}$$

Taking  $i\lambda_{so} = \lambda_{so}^*$ , the matrix elements are,

$$= (\langle i'k', \uparrow |, \langle i'k', \downarrow |) \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{so}^* \partial_x & -\lambda_{so}^* \partial_z \\ -\lambda_{so}^* \partial_z & -\lambda_{so}^* \partial_x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | ik, \uparrow \rangle \\ | ik, \downarrow \rangle \end{pmatrix} \tag{75}$$

$$= (\langle i'k', \uparrow |, \langle i'k', \downarrow |) \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_x) | ik, \uparrow \rangle - \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_z) | ik, \downarrow \rangle \\ -\lambda_{so}^* (\partial_z) | ik, \uparrow \rangle - \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_x) | ik, \downarrow \rangle \end{pmatrix} \tag{76}$$

$$= \langle i'k', \uparrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_x) | ik, \uparrow \rangle - \langle i'k', \uparrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_z) | ik, \downarrow \rangle - \langle i'k', \downarrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_z) | ik, \uparrow \rangle - \langle i'k', \downarrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_x) | ik, \downarrow \rangle, \tag{77}$$

where  $i(k)$  and  $i'(k')$  correspond to site enumeration along  $x(z)$ -axis. Notice that  $j$ -index is omitted as the system remains constant along the  $y$ -axis.

In detail we have,

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} = +\langle i'k', \uparrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_x) | ik, \uparrow \rangle, \quad (78)$$

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} = -\langle i'k', \downarrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_z) | ik, \uparrow \rangle \quad (79)$$

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} = -\langle i'k', \downarrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_x) | ik, \downarrow \rangle, \quad (80)$$

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} = -\langle i'k', \uparrow | \lambda_{so}^* (\partial_z) | ik, \downarrow \rangle. \quad (81)$$

Replacing the first-order differential operators given in Eqs. (51) and (53) we get,

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} = \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} (\langle i'k', \uparrow | i + 1k, \uparrow \rangle - \langle i'k', \uparrow | i - 1k, \uparrow \rangle), \quad (82)$$

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} = \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} (-\langle i'k', \downarrow | ik + 1, \uparrow \rangle + \langle i'k', \downarrow | ik - 1, \uparrow \rangle) \quad (83)$$

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} = \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} (-\langle i'k', \downarrow | i + 1k, \downarrow \rangle + \langle i'k', \downarrow | i - 1k, \downarrow \rangle), \quad (84)$$

$$T_{ik,i'k'}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} = \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} (-\langle i'k', \uparrow | ik + 1, \downarrow \rangle + \langle i'k', \uparrow | ik - 1, \downarrow \rangle). \quad (85)$$

Applying Eq. (1) in our Rashba operator, we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_{so} &= \sum_{ik,i'k',\sigma,\sigma'} T_{ik,i'k'}^{\sigma,\sigma'} \hat{c}_{i'k'}^{\dagger\sigma'} \hat{c}_{ik}^{\sigma} \\ &= \sum_{ik,i'k'} T_{ik,i'k'}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{i'k'}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + T_{ik,i'k'}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{i'k'}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + T_{ik,i'k'}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{i'k'}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + T_{ik,i'k'}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{i'k'}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}. \end{aligned} \quad (86)$$

Replacing Eqs. (82)-(85) in Eq. (86) and summing over  $i'$  and  $k'$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_{so} &= \sum_{ik} \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left[ (c_{i+1k}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{i-1k}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{ik+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + c_{ik-1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{ik+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik-1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) + (-c_{i+1k}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{i-1k}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) \right] \\ &= \sum_{ik} \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left[ (c_{i+1k}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{ik+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + c_{ik}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{ik+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow}) + (-c_{i+1k}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow}) \right] \\ &= \sum_{ik} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \left[ (ic_{i+1k}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow} - ic_{i+1k}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ik}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow}) + (-ic_{ik+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ik}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ik}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow}) \right] \\ &= \sum_{ik} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \left[ (ic_{i+1k}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - ic_{i+1k}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ik+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (87)$$

Eq. (87) refers to the Rashba spin-orbit coupling operator along the  $xz$ -plane in second quantization.

### 1. Rashba Matrix Elements

In Eq. (87) the first (second) term considers creation and annihilation operations on sites along the  $x(z)$ -axis only; therefore, we can separate the solution in two parts,

$$\hat{H}_{so}^X = \sum_i \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right\}, \quad (88)$$

$$\hat{H}_{so}^Z = \sum_k \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right\}. \quad (89)$$



Notice in the above equations that we have suppressed the second sub-index for simplicity as it remains unchanged; however, we should keep in mind this for future calculations.

The Bloch wave function in a two dimensional crystal is given by

$$|\psi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_x}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_z}} \sum_{l,n} e^{ik_x la} e^{ik_z na} |l, n, \sigma\rangle, \quad (90)$$

$$\langle\psi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma}| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_x}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_z}} \sum_{l,n} e^{-ik_x la} e^{-ik_z na} \langle l, n, \sigma|. \quad (91)$$

$N_{x(z)}$  and  $l(n)$  are the number of sites and site number along the  $x(z)$  axis. In the present model, sites along one direction are unaffected by the Rashba operator given along the other direction, then we can simplify the problem and solve a one-dimensional case for each direction. Our Bloch wavefunctions for the  $x$ - and  $z$ - components reduce to

$$|\psi_{k_x}^{\sigma}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_x}} \sum_l e^{ik_x la} |l, \sigma\rangle, \quad (92)$$

$$\langle\psi_{k_x}^{\sigma}| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_x}} \sum_l e^{-ik_x la} \langle l, \sigma|, \quad (93)$$

$$|\psi_{k_z}^{\sigma}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_z}} \sum_n e^{ik_z na} |n, \sigma\rangle, \quad (94)$$

$$\langle\psi_{k_z}^{\sigma}| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_z}} \sum_n e^{-ik_z na} \langle n, \sigma|. \quad (95)$$

Consequently, the Rashba matrix elements in  $k$ -space become

$$H_{k_x}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \langle\psi_{k_x}^{\sigma'}| \hat{H}_{so}^X |\psi_{k_x}^{\sigma}\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ll'} e^{ik_x a(l-l')} \langle l', \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^X | l, \sigma \rangle, \quad (96)$$

$$H_{k_z}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \langle\psi_{k_z}^{\sigma'}| \hat{H}_{so}^Z |\psi_{k_z}^{\sigma}\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{nn'} e^{ik_z a(n-n')} \langle n', \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^Z | n, \sigma \rangle. \quad (97)$$

We are going to consider the nearest neighbor approximation, which means that  $\langle l', \sigma' | l, \sigma \rangle \neq 0$  and  $\langle n', \sigma' | n, \sigma \rangle \neq 0$  only when  $l' = l, l+1, l-1$  and  $n' = n, n+1, n-1$ . Replacing this in the above equations we have,

$$H_{k_x}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \frac{1}{N_x} \sum_l \left[ e^{ik_x a} \langle l-1, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^X | l, \sigma \rangle + \langle l, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^X | l, \sigma \rangle + e^{-ik_x a} \langle l+1, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^X | l, \sigma \rangle \right], \quad (98)$$

$$H_{k_z}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \frac{1}{N_z} \sum_l \left[ e^{ik_z a} \langle n-1, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^Z | n, \sigma \rangle + \langle n, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^Z | n, \sigma \rangle + e^{-ik_z a} \langle n+1, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^Z | n, \sigma \rangle \right]. \quad (99)$$

Since the sum over  $l$  and  $n$  covers all atomics sites, the above expressions can be redefined as,

$$H_{k_x}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \frac{1}{N_x} \sum_l \left[ e^{ik_x a} \langle l, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^X | l+1, \sigma \rangle + \langle l, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^X | l, \sigma \rangle + e^{-ik_x a} \langle l+1, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^X | l, \sigma \rangle \right], \quad (100)$$

$$H_{k_z}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \frac{1}{N_z} \sum_l \left[ e^{ik_z a} \langle n, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^Z | n+1, \sigma \rangle + \langle n, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^Z | n, \sigma \rangle + e^{-ik_z a} \langle n+1, \sigma' | \hat{H}_{so}^Z | n, \sigma \rangle \right]. \quad (101)$$

Replacing Eqs. (88)-(89) in Eqs. (100)-(101), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{k_x}^{\sigma\sigma'} &= \frac{1}{N_x} \sum_l \left[ e^{ik_x a} \langle l, \sigma' | \sum_i \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | l+1, \sigma \rangle \right. \\
&\quad + \langle l, \sigma' | \sum_i \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | l, \sigma \rangle \\
&\quad \left. + e^{-ik_x a} \langle l+1, \sigma' | \sum_i \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | l, \sigma \rangle \right], \quad (102)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{k_z}^{\sigma\sigma'} &= \frac{1}{N_z} \sum_n \left[ e^{ik_z a} \langle n, \sigma' | \sum_k \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + c_k^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | n+1, \sigma \rangle \right. \\
&\quad + \langle n, \sigma' | \sum_k \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + c_k^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | n, \sigma \rangle \\
&\quad \left. + e^{-ik_z a} \langle n+1, \sigma' | \sum_k \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + c_k^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | n, \sigma \rangle \right]. \quad (103)
\end{aligned}$$

Considering the creation and annihilation properties it is easy to simplify the above expressions to,

$$H_{k_x}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \frac{1}{N_x} \sum_i \left[ e^{ik_x a} \langle i, \sigma' | \left\{ -c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | i+1, \sigma \rangle + e^{-ik_x a} \langle i+1, \sigma' | \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} \right\} | i, \sigma \rangle \right], \quad (104)$$

$$H_{k_z}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \frac{1}{N_z} \sum_k \left[ e^{ik_z a} \langle k, \sigma' | \left\{ c_k^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | k+1, \sigma \rangle + e^{-ik_z a} \langle k+1, \sigma' | \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} - c_{k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} \right\} | k, \sigma \rangle \right], \quad (105)$$

where you can see that the middle term in Eqs. (102)-(103) vanishes easily as  $\langle l, \sigma' | l \pm 1, \sigma \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle n, \sigma' | n \pm 1, \sigma \rangle = 0$ . We can partition Eqs. (104) and (105) in two parts depending on the spin orientation. We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{k_x}^{\uparrow\uparrow} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \frac{1}{N_x} \sum_i \left[ e^{ik_x a} \langle i, \uparrow | \left\{ -c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} \right\} | i+1, \uparrow \rangle + e^{-ik_x a} \langle i+1, \uparrow | \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} \right\} | i, \uparrow \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left[ -e^{ik_x a} + e^{-ik_x a} \right] = 2 \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \sin k_x a, \quad (106)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{k_x}^{\downarrow\downarrow} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \frac{1}{N_x} \sum_i \left[ e^{ik_x a} \langle i, \downarrow | \left\{ +c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | i+1, \downarrow \rangle + e^{-ik_x a} \langle i+1, \downarrow | \left\{ -c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} \right\} | i, \downarrow \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left[ e^{ik_x a} - e^{-ik_x a} \right] = -2 \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \sin k_x a, \quad (107)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{k_z}^{\uparrow\downarrow} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \frac{1}{N_z} \sum_k \left[ e^{ik_z a} \langle k, \downarrow | \left\{ c_k^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} \right\} | k+1, \uparrow \rangle + e^{-ik_z a} \langle k+1, \downarrow | \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} \right\} | k, \uparrow \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left[ e^{ik_z a} - e^{-ik_z a} \right] = -2 \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \sin k_z a, \quad (108)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{k_z}^{\downarrow\uparrow} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left[ e^{ik_z a} \langle k, \uparrow | \left\{ c_k^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} | k+1, \downarrow \rangle + e^{-ik_z a} \langle k+1, \uparrow | \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} \right\} | k, \downarrow \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left[ e^{ik_z a} - e^{-ik_z a} \right] = -2 \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \sin k_z a. \quad (109)
\end{aligned}$$

In its matrix form, Eqs. (106)-(109) become

$$\hat{H}_{so} = \lambda_R \begin{pmatrix} 2 \sin k_x a & -2 \sin k_z a \\ -2 \sin k_z a & -2 \sin k_x a \end{pmatrix}, \quad (110)$$

with  $\lambda_R = \lambda_{so}/2a$ .

### III. MAGNETIC TUNNEL JUNCTION

We study a trilayer structure made of two semi-infinite electrodes separated by a finite region. Each layer can be either magnetic or non-magnetic. Transport is defined along the  $y$ -axis. We consider a random orientation of the magnetization vector; therefore, in spherical coordinates we have  $\mathbf{m} = (\cos \phi \sin \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \theta)$ . The Hamiltonian considered in the present study is described by the single orbital simple-cubic TB Hamiltonian in non-collinear configuration, defined as,

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{left} + \hat{H}_{right} + \hat{H}_{finite} + \hat{H}_{interaction}. \quad (111)$$

In Eq. (111), the first three terms correspond to the isolated contributions given by the electrodes and the finite region. The last term couples these contributions. In first quantization the Hamiltonian for each region reads,

$$H_\Omega = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} + \Delta \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \mathbf{m}_\Omega + \hat{U} + \frac{\lambda_{so}}{\hbar} \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot (\mathbf{y} \times \mathbf{p}), \quad (112)$$

where  $\Omega = left, right, \text{ or } finite$ . The first term is the kinetic part, the second term describes the  $sd$ -exchange interaction, the third term is the barrier potential, which appears only in insulating samples, and the last term is the Rashba coupling along the  $xz$ -plane. Considering our previous results, in second quantization we have,

$$\frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} = \sum_{ijk\sigma} \frac{-\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \left[ \hat{c}_{i+1,jk}^\dagger \hat{c}_{ijk}^\sigma - 3\hat{c}_{ijk}^\dagger \hat{c}_{ijk}^\sigma + \hat{c}_{ij+1,k}^\dagger \hat{c}_{ijk}^\sigma + \hat{c}_{ij,k+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_{ijk}^\sigma + h.c. \right], \quad (113)$$

$$\Delta \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \mathbf{m}_\Omega = \sum_{ijk} \Delta \left[ \cos \theta_\Omega \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^\uparrow + \sin \theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^\uparrow + \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^\downarrow - \cos \theta_\Omega \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^\downarrow \right], \quad (114)$$

$$\hat{U} = \sum_{ijk} U(y) \left[ \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^\uparrow + \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^\downarrow \right],$$

$$\frac{\lambda_{so}}{\hbar} \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot (\mathbf{y} \times \mathbf{p}) = \sum_{ik,j=b} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \left[ (i\hat{c}_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \hat{c}_{ik}^\uparrow - i\hat{c}_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \hat{c}_{ik}^\downarrow + h.c.) + (-i\hat{c}_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \hat{c}_{ik}^\uparrow - i\hat{c}_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \hat{c}_{ik}^\downarrow + h.c.) \right] \quad (115)$$

Subindex  $i, j$ , and  $k$  refer to site enumeration along the  $x, y$  and  $z$  axis, respectively.  $\hat{c}_{ijk}^\dagger (\hat{c}_{ijk})$  is the creation (annihilation) operator on site  $ijk$ ,  $a$  is the lattice parameter, and  $h.c.$  is the Hermitian conjugate.  $U(y)$  is the potential in the insulating region,  $U(y) = 0$  otherwise. If we set our finite region to be given only by a barrier, then  $H_{finite} = H_B$  and  $H_{left(right)} = H_{L(R)}$ , where  $B$  stands for barrier layer and  $L(R)$  for left (right) layer, see left panel in Fig. 2. In this case the Rashba coupling term is defined at  $j = b$ . In contrast, when the finite region partially extends to the left and right layers (see right panel in Fig. 2), the Rashba coupling term is defined at  $j = \alpha'$ . Notice that this is just a mathematical trick, in real samples Rashba appears at the interface of the layers where inversion symmetry breaking happens. To elucidate this from a tight binding approach we can choose either  $j = b$  or  $j = \alpha'$ .

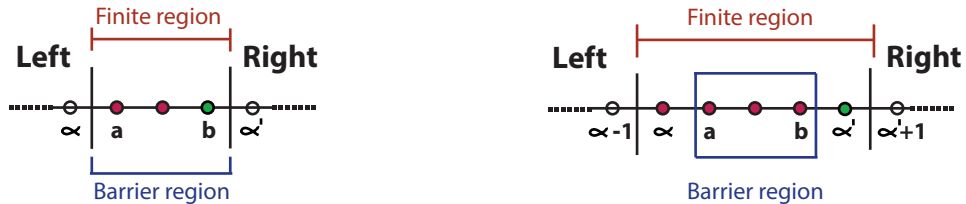


FIG. 2. (left) Representation of a three-layers structure where the finite region is identical to the barrier region. In this case the Rashba coupling term is defined at site  $j = b$ . (right) Representation of a three-layers structure where the finite region contains the barrier region and partially extends the left and right layers. In this case the Rashba coupling term is defined at site  $j = \alpha'$ .

Considering  $t = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2}$  and  $\epsilon = \frac{6\hbar^2}{2ma^2} + U(y)$ , the Hamiltonian for each layer becomes,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_\Omega = & \sum_{\substack{ijk \\ (ijk) \in \Omega}} \left\{ \epsilon_{\Omega,ijk} \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk} + \Delta_\Omega \left[ \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk}^\dagger \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \mathbf{m} \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk} \right] \right\} + t \sum_{\substack{ijk \\ (ijk) \in \Omega}} \left[ \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{i+1jk}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk} + \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ij+1k}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk} + \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk+1}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk} + h.c. \right] \\ & + \sum_{ik,j=b} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \left[ (ic_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^\uparrow - ic_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^\downarrow + h.c.) + (-ic_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^\uparrow - ic_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^\downarrow + h.c.) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (116)$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{c}}_j^\dagger = (\hat{c}_j^{\uparrow\dagger}, \hat{c}_j^{\downarrow\dagger})$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{c}}_j = (\hat{c}_j^\uparrow, \hat{c}_j^\downarrow)^t$ .  $t$  is the hopping matrix element, which couples the orbital states and therefore allows the electron to hop from one site to one of its neighbors and  $\epsilon$  is the on-site energy. Notice that we are assuming a spin-independent hopping matrix element. For each layer we have,

$$\epsilon_L = \frac{6\hbar^2}{2ma^2}, \quad (117)$$

$$\epsilon_B = \frac{6\hbar^2}{2ma^2} + U(y), \quad (118)$$

$$\epsilon_R = \frac{6\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \quad (119)$$

Considering  $\epsilon^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \epsilon \pm \Delta$  the total on-site energy for majority (minority) carriers we define,

$$\epsilon^0 = \frac{\epsilon^\uparrow + \epsilon^\downarrow}{2}, \quad (120)$$

$$\Delta = \frac{\epsilon^\uparrow - \epsilon^\downarrow}{2}, \quad (121)$$

where  $\epsilon^0$  is referred to as the averaged on-site energy. In the free-electron picture it is given by  $\epsilon_{L(R)}^0 = \frac{6\hbar^2}{2ma^2}$  in the electrodes and  $\epsilon_B^0 = \frac{6\hbar^2}{2ma^2} + U(y)$  in the barrier.  $\Delta$  is the usual exchange parameter that appears in Eq. (112). Notice that  $\Delta$  is negative; therefore,  $\epsilon^\uparrow$ , associated with the spin-up electrons channel, is at a lower energy compared to  $\epsilon^\downarrow$ , associated with the spin-down electrons channel. To couple the barrier layer with the electrodes we consider the interaction Hamiltonian given in Eq. (111) and defined as

$$\hat{H}_{interaction} = t \left[ \hat{c}_a^{\uparrow\dagger} \hat{c}_\alpha^\uparrow + \hat{c}_a^{\downarrow\dagger} \hat{c}_\alpha^\downarrow + \hat{c}_b^{\uparrow\dagger} \hat{c}_{\alpha'}^\uparrow + \hat{c}_b^{\downarrow\dagger} \hat{c}_{\alpha'}^\downarrow + h.c. \right]. \quad (122)$$

Site  $j = \alpha$  ( $\alpha'$ ) in the left (right) electrode is next to site  $j = a$  ( $b$ ) in the barrier region, see Fig. 2. In this same region, the potential energy varies linearly with site number  $j$ , i.e.,

$$U_j = \mu_L + (\mu_R - \mu_L) \frac{j-1}{N_B-1}, \quad (123)$$

being  $eV = \mu_R - \mu_L$  the potential drop, with  $\mu_{L(R)}$  the chemical potential in the left (right) lead, and  $N_B$  the number of atomic sites. Considering that transverse to  $y$ -axis,  $\mathbf{k} = (k_x, k_y, k_z)$  is conserved then we can consider a solution of the form,

$$|\psi_{k_x, k_z}^\sigma\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_x}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_z}} \sum_{\substack{l \in x \\ m \in z}} e^{ik_x al} e^{ik_z am} |l, m, \sigma\rangle, \quad (124)$$

$$\langle \psi_{k_x, k_z}^{\sigma'} | = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_x}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_z}} \sum_{\substack{l' \in x \\ m' \in z}} e^{-ik_x al'} e^{-ik_z am'} \langle l', m', \sigma' |. \quad (125)$$

This is the usual Bloch wavefunction solution for a periodic potential in a tight binding model.  $N_{x(z)}$  and  $l$  ( $m$ ) represent the number of lattice points and site enumeration along  $x$  ( $z$ ). If we consider in Eq. (116),  $\hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_\parallel} = t \sum_{ik} \left[ \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{i+1jk}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk} + \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk+1}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{ijk} + h.c. \right]$ , then its matrix elements, in terms of Eqs. (124)-(125), are

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}^{\sigma,\sigma'} &= \langle \psi_{k_x,k_z}^{\sigma'} | \hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} | \psi_{k_x,k_z}^{\sigma} \rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{N_x N_z} \sum_{ll',mm'} e^{ik_x a(l-l')} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l', m', \sigma' | \hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} | l, m \sigma \rangle.
\end{aligned} \tag{126}$$

To solve Eq. (126) a simple cubic lattice in the nearest neighbor approximation is considered, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} &= \frac{1}{N_x N_z} \sum_{ll',mm'} e^{ik_x a(l-l')} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l', m', \uparrow | t \sum_{ik} c_{i+1,jk}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ijk+1}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{i+1,jk}^{\uparrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{ijk+1}^{\uparrow} | l, m \uparrow \rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{N_x N_z} \sum_{ll',mm'} e^{ik_x a(l-l')} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} t \langle l', m', \uparrow | c_{l+1,jm}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{ljm}^{\uparrow} + c_{ljm+1}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{ljm}^{\uparrow} + c_{l-1,jk}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{ljm}^{\uparrow} + c_{ljm-1}^{\uparrow\dagger} c_{ljm}^{\uparrow} | l, m \uparrow \rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{N_x N_z} \sum_{ll',mm'} e^{ik_x a(l-l')} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} t \langle l', m', \uparrow | ( | l+1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m+1 \uparrow \rangle + | l-1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m-1 \uparrow \rangle ) \\
&= \frac{t}{N_x N_z} \sum_{l,mm'} e^{ik_x a} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l-1, m', \uparrow | ( | l+1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m+1 \uparrow \rangle + | l-1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m-1 \uparrow \rangle ) \\
&\quad + e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l, m', \uparrow | ( | l+1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m+1 \uparrow \rangle + | l-1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m-1 \uparrow \rangle ) \\
&\quad + e^{-ik_x a} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l+1, m', \uparrow | ( | l+1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m+1 \uparrow \rangle + | l-1, m \uparrow \rangle + | l, m-1 \uparrow \rangle ) \\
&= \frac{t}{N_x N_z} \sum_{l,mm'} e^{ik_x a} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l-1, m', \uparrow | l-1, m \uparrow \rangle + e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l, m', \uparrow | ( | l, m+1 \uparrow \rangle + | l, m-1 \uparrow \rangle ) \\
&\quad + e^{-ik_x a} e^{ik_z a(m-m')} \langle l+1, m', \uparrow | l+1, m \uparrow \rangle \\
&= \frac{t}{N_x N_z} \sum_{l,m} e^{ik_x a} + e^{-ik_x a} + e^{ik_z a} + e^{-ik_z a} \\
&= 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a).
\end{aligned} \tag{127}$$

It is easy to see that,  $\hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} = \hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}^{\uparrow,\uparrow}$  and  $\hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} = \hat{H}_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} = 0$ . We define  $\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} = 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a)$  as the in-plane energy and proceed to give a solution for the total wavefunction in each uncoupled region  $\Omega$  (*left*, *right*, or *finite*).

#### IV. GREEN'S FUNCTION FORMALISM

We employ the Green's function formalism in Schrodinger's equation, i.e.,  $(E - H)\psi = 0 \rightarrow (E - H)G = I$ , where  $G$  denotes the Green's function,  $H$  is given in Eq. (116), and  $E$  is the energy.

##### A. Isolated Green's functions in the finite region

In previous sections we derived a second quantization Free-electron representation of the Hamiltonian. Here we directly present the tight binding model. Following Kalitsov's paper,<sup>3</sup> the one electron Schrodinger equation for the spin dependent retarded Green's function  $g_{pq}$  for each uncoupled region reads,

$$\sum_{p_1} \left\{ \left[ (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}) \delta_{pp_1} - \bar{H}_{pp_1} \right] \hat{I} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_{\Omega} & \sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{-i\phi_{\Omega}} \\ \sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{i\phi_{\Omega}} & -\cos \theta_{\Omega} \end{bmatrix} - \bar{\lambda}_R \begin{pmatrix} 2 \sin k_x a & -2 \sin k_z a \\ -2 \sin k_z a & -2 \sin k_x a \end{pmatrix} \right\} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \delta_{pq} \hat{I}. \tag{128}$$

$p_1$ ,  $p$ , and  $q$  denote atomic sites along  $y$ -axis.  $\hat{I}$  is the  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix operator, and  $\theta_{\Omega}$  is the angle of the magnetization with respect to the  $z$ -axis.  $\bar{H}_{pq} = \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 \delta_{pq} + t(\delta_{p,q+1} + \delta_{p,q-1})$  and  $\delta H_{pq} = \Delta_{\Omega} \delta_{pq}$ , where  $\epsilon^0$  and  $\Delta$  are defined in Eqs. (120)-(121). The last term is the Rashba coupling in the nearest neighbor approximation, where we considered  $\mathbf{k}$  to be conserved transverse to  $y$ . In what follows, we consider the case where the Rashba coupling term is defined at  $j = b$ , i.e.,  $\bar{\lambda}_R = \frac{\lambda_{sa}}{2a} \delta_{p_1 b}$ . For the case where it is given at  $j = \alpha'$  (right panel in Fig. 2), the

procedure is quite similar. Notice that conservation of  $\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} = (k_x, k_z)$  allows us to reduce our problem to a pseudo-one dimensional system. We now proceed to solve the one-electron Schrodinger equation for the spin dependent retarded Green's function in the finite region. To ease the discussion we start from the most simple scenario: a finite region given by a barrier of 3 sites.

### 1. Finite Region: 3-sites Barrier

For the particular case of a finite region given by a barrier of 3 sites, Eq. (128) in its matrix form is given by,

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & t & 0 \\ t & h_2 & t \\ 0 & t & h_3 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & g_{23} \\ g_{31} & g_{32} & g_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (129)$$

In general each element in Eq. (129) has 4 components in spin space.  $h_3$  is of particular interest as it contains the Rashba coupling term ( $j = b$ ). We have,

$$h_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon^0 + \mu_L + 2t \sum_l \cos k_l a & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon^0 + \mu_L + 2t \sum_l \cos k_l a \end{pmatrix} + \Delta \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad (130)$$

$$h_2 = \begin{pmatrix} (\epsilon^0 + \frac{\mu_R + \mu_L}{2}) + 2t \sum_l \cos k_l a & 0 \\ 0 & (\epsilon^0 + \frac{\mu_R + \mu_L}{2}) + 2t \sum_l \cos k_l a \end{pmatrix} + \Delta \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad (131)$$

$$h_3 = \begin{pmatrix} (\epsilon^0 + \mu_R) + 2t \sum_l \cos k_l a & 0 \\ 0 & (\epsilon^0 + \mu_R) + 2t \sum_l \cos k_l a \end{pmatrix} + \Delta \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_R \begin{pmatrix} 2 \sin k_x a & -2 \sin k_z a \\ -2 \sin k_z a & -2 \sin k_x a \end{pmatrix}, \quad (132)$$

where  $l = x, z$ . If  $\Delta = 0$  then the system is non-magnetic. Notice that we have dropped out subindex  $B$  for simplicity. In its extended form, Eq. (129) is expressed as,

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{12}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{12}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{13}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{13}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{12}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{12}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{13}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{13}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ h_{21}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{21}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{22}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{22}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{23}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{23}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{21}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{21}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{22}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{22}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{23}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{23}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ h_{31}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{31}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{32}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{32}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{33}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{33}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{31}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{31}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{32}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{32}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{33}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{33}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} g_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{12}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{12}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{13}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{13}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{12}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{12}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{13}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{13}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ g_{21}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{21}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{22}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{22}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{23}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{23}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{21}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{21}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{22}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{22}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{23}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{23}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ g_{31}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{31}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{32}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{32}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{33}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{33}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{31}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{31}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{32}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{32}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{33}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{33}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (133)$$

where  $h_{j,j\pm 1}^{\uparrow\uparrow(\downarrow\downarrow)} = t$ ,  $h_{j,j\pm 1}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = 0$  and  $h_{j,j\pm 2}^{\uparrow\uparrow(\downarrow\downarrow)} = h_{j,j\pm 2}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = 0$ . Notice that reordering the expression won't affect the matrix; therefore we have,

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{12}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{13}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{12}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{13}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{12}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{13}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{12}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{13}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ h_{21}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{22}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{23}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{21}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{22}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{23}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{21}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{22}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{23}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{21}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{22}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{23}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ h_{31}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{32}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{33}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{31}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{32}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{33}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{31}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{32}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{33}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{31}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{32}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{33}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} g_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{12}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{13}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{12}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{13}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{12}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{13}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{12}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{13}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ g_{21}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{22}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{23}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{21}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{22}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{23}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{21}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{22}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{23}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{21}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{22}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{23}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ g_{31}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{32}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{33}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{31}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{32}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{33}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{31}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{32}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{33}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{31}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{32}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{33}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (134)$$

where we have interchanged in Eq. (133) column 3 with column 2, then column 5 with column 4, and last, column 4 with column 3. Similarly interchanging the rows in Eq. (134) we have,

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{12}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{13}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{12}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{13}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{21}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{22}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{23}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{21}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{22}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{23}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{31}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{32}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{33}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{31}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{32}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & h_{33}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{12}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{13}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{12}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{13}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ h_{21}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{22}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{23}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{21}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{22}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{23}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ h_{31}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{32}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{33}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{31}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{32}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & h_{33}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} g_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{12}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{13}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{12}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{13}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{21}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{22}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{23}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{21}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{22}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{23}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{31}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{32}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{33}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{31}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{32}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & g_{33}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{12}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{13}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{12}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{13}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ g_{21}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{22}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{23}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{21}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{22}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{23}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ g_{31}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{32}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{33}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{31}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{32}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & g_{33}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (135)$$

where row 3 was interchanged with row 2, then row 5 with row 4, and last, row 4 with row 3. This procedure can be extended to a  $N \times N$  matrix.

## 2. Finite Region: 3-sites Barrier and 2-sites finite electrodes

In a more general form, the finite region may extend to the electrodes (see right panel in Fig. 2). In this case we can consider the total number of sites in the finite region to be  $N_F = N_L + N_B + N_R$ . In this scenario the total number of sites for the electrodes is  $N_{left(right)} + N_{L(R)}$ , where the former is semi-infinite and the latter finite. The reason behind this approach is that we can include different layers with different properties in the finite region. As an example let's consider  $N_L = 2$ ,  $N_B = 3$ , and  $N_R = 2$ , then our matrix for the finite region becomes,

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h_{1,L} & t & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ t & h_{2,L} & t & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & t & h_{3,B} & t & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t & h_{4,B} & t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & t & h_{5,B} & t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & t & h_{6,R} & t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & t & h_{7,R} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} & g_{14} & g_{15} & g_{16} & g_{17} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & g_{23} & g_{24} & g_{25} & g_{26} & g_{17} \\ g_{31} & g_{32} & g_{33} & g_{34} & g_{35} & g_{36} & g_{37} \\ g_{41} & g_{42} & g_{43} & g_{44} & g_{45} & g_{46} & g_{47} \\ g_{51} & g_{52} & g_{53} & g_{54} & g_{55} & g_{56} & g_{57} \\ g_{61} & g_{62} & g_{63} & g_{64} & g_{65} & g_{66} & g_{67} \\ g_{71} & g_{72} & g_{73} & g_{74} & g_{75} & g_{76} & g_{77} \end{pmatrix} = I, \quad (136)$$

where again each term has four components in spin space. Similarly, by matrix reordering we have,

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \dots & h_{17}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & \dots & h_{17}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ h_{71}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \dots & h_{77}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & h_{71}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & \dots & h_{77}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ h_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \dots & h_{17}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & \dots & h_{17}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ h_{71}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \dots & h_{77}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & h_{71}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & \dots & h_{77}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} g_{11}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \dots & g_{17}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & \dots & g_{17}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ g_{71}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \dots & g_{77}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & g_{71}^{\uparrow\downarrow} & \dots & g_{77}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ g_{11}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \dots & g_{17}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{11}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & \dots & g_{17}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ g_{71}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \dots & g_{77}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & g_{71}^{\downarrow\downarrow} & \dots & g_{77}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = I. \quad (137)$$

To ease the discussion we change the notation of the above expression to

$$\left[ \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & E & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & E \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h_{1,1} & \dots & h_{1,7} & h_{1,8} & \dots & h_{1,14} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ h_{7,1} & \dots & h_{7,7} & h_{7,8} & \dots & h_{7,14} \\ h_{8,1} & \dots & h_{8,7} & h_{8,8} & \dots & h_{8,14} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ h_{14,1} & \dots & h_{14,7} & h_{14,8} & \dots & h_{14,14} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} g_{1,1} & \dots & g_{1,7} & g_{1,8} & \dots & g_{1,14} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ g_{7,1} & \dots & g_{7,7} & g_{7,8} & \dots & g_{7,14} \\ g_{8,1} & \dots & g_{8,7} & g_{8,8} & \dots & g_{8,14} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ g_{14,1} & \dots & g_{14,7} & g_{14,8} & \dots & g_{14,14} \end{pmatrix} = I, \quad (138)$$

where, e.g.,  $h_{1,8} \equiv h_{11}^{\uparrow\downarrow}$  and  $h_{14,14} \equiv h_{77}^{\downarrow\downarrow}$ . Eq. (138) notation is used in the following.

## 3. Finite Region: Barrier and finite electrodes with general number of sites

Considering  $N_L$  to be finite, then the L-region is given by,

$$h_{j,j} = \epsilon_L^0 + \mu_L + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) + \Delta_L \cos \theta_L, \quad (139)$$

$$h_{N_L+N_B+N_R+j, N_L+N_B+N_R+j} = \epsilon_L^0 + \mu_L + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) - \Delta_L \cos \theta_L, \quad (140)$$

$$h_{j, N_L+N_B+N_R+j} = \Delta_L \sin \theta_L e^{-i\phi_L} = \Delta_L (\sin \theta_L \cos \phi_L - i \sin \theta_L \sin \phi_L) \quad (141)$$

$$h_{N_L+N_B+N_R+j, j} = \Delta_L \sin \theta_L e^{i\phi_L} = \Delta_L (\sin \theta_L \cos \phi_L + i \sin \theta_L \sin \phi_L) \quad (142)$$

where  $j$  runs from  $j = 1$  to  $j = N_L$  and  $U_j$  is given in Eq. (123). For the barrier region (B-region) we have,

$$h_{N_L+j, N_L+j} = \epsilon_B^0 + U_j + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) + \Delta_B \cos \theta_B, \quad (143)$$

$$h_{2N_L+N_B+N_R+j, 2N_L+N_B+N_R+j} = \epsilon_B^0 + U_j + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) - \Delta_B \cos \theta_B, \quad (144)$$

$$h_{N_L+j, 2N_L+N_B+N_R+j} = \Delta_B \sin \theta_B e^{-i\phi_B} = \Delta_B (\sin \theta_B \cos \phi_B - i \sin \theta_B \sin \phi_B), \quad (145)$$

$$h_{2N_L+N_B+N_R+j, N_L+j} = \Delta_B \sin \theta_B e^{i\phi_B} = \Delta_B (\sin \theta_B \cos \phi_B + i \sin \theta_B \sin \phi_B), \quad (146)$$

where  $j$  runs from 1 to  $N_B - 1$ . For  $j = N_B$  we have,

$$h_{N_L+N_B, N_L+N_B} = \epsilon_B^0 + U(N_B) + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) + \Delta_B \cos \theta_B + 2\lambda_R \sin k_x a, \quad (147)$$

$$h_{2N_L+2N_B+N_R, 2N_L+2N_B+N_R} = \epsilon_B^0 + U(N_B) + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) - \Delta_B \cos \theta_B - 2\lambda_R \sin k_x a, \quad (148)$$

$$h_{N_L+N_B, 2N_L+2N_B+N_R} = \Delta_B (\sin \theta_B \cos \phi_B - i \sin \theta_B \sin \phi_B) - 2\lambda_R \sin k_z a, \quad (149)$$

$$h_{2N_L+2N_B+N_R, N_L+N_B} = \Delta_B (\sin \theta_B \cos \phi_B + i \sin \theta_B \sin \phi_B) - 2\lambda_R \sin k_z a. \quad (150)$$

As seen, the Rashba coupling term is defined at  $j = b$  only. Considering  $N_R$  to be finite, then the  $R$ -region is given by,

$$h_{N_L+N_B+j, N_L+N_B+j} = \epsilon_R^0 + \mu_R + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) + \Delta_R \cos \theta_R, \quad (151)$$

$$h_{2N_L+2N_B+N_R+j, 2N_L+2N_B+N_R+j} = \epsilon_R^0 + \mu_R + 2t(\cos k_x a + \cos k_z a) - \Delta_R \cos \theta_R, \quad (152)$$

$$h_{N_L+N_B+j, 2N_L+2N_B+N_R+j} = \Delta_R \sin \theta_R e^{-i\phi_R} = \Delta_R (\sin \theta_R \cos \phi_R - i \sin \theta_R \sin \phi_R), \quad (153)$$

$$h_{2N_L+2N_B+N_R+j, N_L+N_B+j} = \Delta_R \sin \theta_R e^{i\phi_R} = \Delta_R (\sin \theta_R \cos \phi_R + i \sin \theta_R \sin \phi_R), \quad (154)$$

where  $j$  goes from 1 to  $N_R$ . Finally the hopping terms are given by,

$$h_{j,j+1} = t, \quad (155)$$

$$h_{j+1,j} = t, \quad (156)$$

$$h_{N_L+N_B+N_R+j, N_L+N_B+N_R+1+j} = t, \quad (157)$$

$$h_{N_L+N_B+N_R+1+j, N_L+N_B+N_R+j} = t. \quad (158)$$

To consider the retarded Green's functions, we take  $E \rightarrow E + i\delta$  and solve the system given in Eq. (138) by matrix inversion. This procedure is done numerically.

## B. Isolated Green's functions in the semi-infinite regions

To obtain solutions for the isolated Green's functions in the semi-infinite electrodes we directly solve Eq. (128), which turns into a system of 4 equations ( $\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow}$ ,  $\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow}$ ,  $\hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\uparrow}$ , and  $\hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow}$ ). We have,

$$\sum_{p_1} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}) \delta_{pp_1} - \overline{H}_{pp_1} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \cos \theta_\Omega & -\delta H_{p,p_1} \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \\ -\delta H_{p,p_1} \sin \theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} & (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}) \delta_{pp_1} - \overline{H}_{pp_1} + \delta H_{p,p_1} \cos \theta_\Omega \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \delta_{pq} \hat{I}, \quad (159)$$

where each term reads,



$$\sum_{p_1} \left\{ (E\delta_{pp_1} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}\delta_{pp_1} - \overline{H}_{pp_1} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\uparrow} \right\} = \delta_{pq}, \quad (160)$$

$$\sum_{p_1} \left\{ (E\delta_{pp_1} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}\delta_{pp_1} - \overline{H}_{pp_1} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \right\} = 0, \quad (161)$$

$$\sum_{p_1} \left\{ (E\delta_{pp_1} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}\delta_{pp_1} - \overline{H}_{pp_1} + \delta H_{p,p_1} \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \sin \theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \right\} = 0, \quad (162)$$

$$\sum_{p_1} \left\{ (E\delta_{pp_1} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}\delta_{pp_1} - \overline{H}_{pp_1} + \delta H_{p,p_1} \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \sin \theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \right\} = \delta_{pq}, \quad (163)$$

Recall that  $\overline{H}_{pp_1} = \epsilon_\Omega^0 \delta_{pp_1} + t(\delta_{p,p_1+1} + \delta_{p,p_1-1})$  and  $\delta H_{pp_1} = \Delta_\Omega \delta_{pp_1}$ . Considering nearest neighbours, i.e.,  $\hat{g}_{p+1,q} = \hat{g}_{pq} e^{ik_y a}$  and  $\hat{g}_{p-1,q} = \hat{g}_{pq} e^{-ik_y a}$ , Eq. (160) reduces to,

$$\begin{aligned} (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + \sum_{p_1} \left\{ (-\overline{H}_{pp_1} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \delta H_{p,p_1} \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{p_1 q}^{\downarrow\uparrow} \right\} &= \delta_{pq}, \\ (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - t \hat{g}_{p-1,q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - t \hat{g}_{p+1,q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\uparrow} &= \delta_{pq}, \\ (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}}) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - t \hat{g}_{p,q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} e^{-ik_y a} - t \hat{g}_{p,q}^{\uparrow\uparrow} e^{ik_y a} - \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\uparrow} &= \delta_{pq}, \\ (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a - \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\uparrow} &= \delta_{pq}. \end{aligned} \quad (164)$$

A similar approach is taken for Eqs. (161)-(163); therefore, we have

$$(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a - \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\uparrow} = \delta_{pq}, \quad (165)$$

$$(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a - \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow} = 0, \quad (166)$$

$$(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a + \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\uparrow} = 0, \quad (167)$$

$$(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a + \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega) \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow} = \delta_{pq}, \quad (168)$$

where Eqs. (166)-(167) are re-expressed as,

$$\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{\Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega)} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)}, \quad (169)$$

Replacing Eq. (169) in Eqs. (165) and (168), we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \pm \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega) - \Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{\pm i\phi_\Omega} \frac{\Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega)} \right] \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} &= \delta_{pq}, \\ \left[ \frac{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a)^2 - (\Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega)^2 - (\Delta_\Omega \sin \theta_\Omega)^2}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega)} \right] \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} &= \delta_{pq}, \\ \frac{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega)}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a)^2 - \Delta_\Omega^2} \delta_{pq} &= \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)}, \\ \frac{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_\Omega \cos \theta_\Omega)}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 + \Delta_\Omega - 2t \cos k_y a)(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_\Omega^0 - \Delta_\Omega - 2t \cos k_y a)} \delta_{pq} &= \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)}, \end{aligned} \quad (170)$$

Considering Eqs. (120)-(121), Eq. (170) turns into,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_{\Omega} \cos \theta_{\Omega})}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \delta_{pq} = \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} \\
& \frac{(2E - 2\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 4t \cos k_y a \mp (\epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow}) \cos \theta_{\Omega})}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \frac{\delta_{pq}}{2} = \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} \\
& \frac{(2E - 2\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - 4t \cos k_y a - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow}(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega}) - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow}(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega}))}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \frac{\delta_{pq}}{2} = \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} \\
& \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega})}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega})}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \right] \frac{\delta_{pq}}{2} = \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} \quad (171)
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing Eq. (170) in Eq. (169) we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} &= \frac{\Delta_{\Omega} \sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_{\Omega} \cos \theta_{\Omega})} \hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)}, \\
\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\uparrow\downarrow)} &= \frac{\Delta_{\Omega} \sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_{\Omega} \cos \theta_{\Omega})} \frac{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 - 2t \cos k_y a \mp \Delta_{\Omega} \cos \theta_{\Omega})}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 + \Delta_{\Omega} - 2t \cos k_y a)(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 - \Delta_{\Omega} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \delta_{pq} \\
\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\uparrow\downarrow)} &= \frac{\Delta_{\Omega} \sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 + \Delta_{\Omega} - 2t \cos k_y a)(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^0 - \Delta_{\Omega} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \delta_{pq} \\
\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} &= \frac{(\epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow}) \sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \frac{\delta_{pq}}{2} \\
\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} &= \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \right] \frac{\delta_{pq}}{2} \quad (172)
\end{aligned}$$

Summarizing our results we get,

$$\hat{g}_{pq}^{\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega})}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega})}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \right] \frac{\delta_{pq}}{2}, \quad (173)$$

$$\hat{g}_{pq}^{\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}}}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a)} \right] \frac{\delta_{pq}}{2}, \quad (174)$$

Notice that the Rashba coupling is absent as it was defined in the finite region only.  $\Omega$  stands for *left* or *right* and  $E \rightarrow E - \mu_{L(R)}$  depending of the electrode under study. Then, considering a Fourier transform for the k-points along the  $y$ -axis in the first Brillouin zone and replacing  $E \rightarrow E + i\delta$  to define the retarded Green's function we have,

$$\hat{g}^r(l, m, E) = \frac{L}{2\pi N} \int_{-\pi/a}^{\pi/a} \hat{g}_{pq} e^{ik_y a(l-m)} dk_y. \quad (175)$$

Therefore,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \frac{L}{2\pi N} \int_{-\pi/a}^{\pi/a} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega}) e^{ik_y a(l-m)} dk_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a + i\delta)} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega}) e^{ik_y a(l-m)} dk_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a + i\delta)} \right], \quad (176)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{L}{2\pi N} \int_{-\pi/a}^{\pi/a} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}} e^{ik_y a(l-m)} dk_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos k_y a + i\delta)} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i \phi_{\Omega}} e^{ik_y a(l-m)} dk_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos k_y a + i\delta)} \right]. \quad (177)$$

Considering  $\phi_y = k_y a$ , then  $d\phi_y = a dk_y$ . Consequently,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega}) e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos \phi_y + i\delta)} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega}) e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos \phi_y + i\delta)} \right], \quad (178)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - 2t \cos \phi_y + i\delta)} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - 2t \cos \phi_y + i\delta)} \right]. \quad (179)$$

Considering the following property,  $e^{\pm i\phi_y} = \cos \phi_y \pm i \sin \phi_y$ , we can easily show that  $t(e^{i\phi_y} + e^{-i\phi_y}) = 2t \cos \phi_y$ . Therefore,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega}) e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - t(e^{i\phi_y} + e^{-i\phi_y}) + i\delta)} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega}) e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - t(e^{i\phi_y} + e^{-i\phi_y}) + i\delta)} \right], \quad (180)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - t(e^{i\phi_y} + e^{-i\phi_y}) + i\delta)} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} e^{i\phi_y(l-m)} d\phi_y}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - t(e^{i\phi_y} + e^{-i\phi_y}) + i\delta)} \right]. \quad (181)$$

If we take  $e^{i\phi_y} = w$ , then  $dw = ie^{i\phi_y} d\phi_y = iw d\phi_y$  and

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint \frac{1}{2iw} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega}) w^{|l-m|} dw}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - t(w + \frac{1}{w}) + i\delta)} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega}) w^{|l-m|} dw}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - t(w + \frac{1}{w}) + i\delta)} \right], \quad (182)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint \frac{1}{2iw} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} w^{|l-m|} dw}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} - t(w + \frac{1}{w}) + i\delta)} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} w^{|l-m|} dw}{(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} - t(w + \frac{1}{w}) + i\delta)} \right], \quad (183)$$

where we have considered the complex integral. Rearranging we have,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega}) w^{|l-m|} dw}{((E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} + i\delta)w - t(w^2 + 1))} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega}) w^{|l-m|} dw}{((E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} + i\delta)w - t(w^2 + 1))} \right], \quad (184)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} w^{|l-m|} dw}{((E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow} + i\delta)w - t(w^2 + 1))} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} w^{|l-m|} dw}{((E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\downarrow} + i\delta)w - t(w^2 + 1))} \right]. \quad (185)$$

Considering  $x^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \frac{E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} + i\delta}{t}$  we have,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_{\Omega}) w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w^2 + 1 - x^{\uparrow} w)} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_{\Omega}) w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w^2 + 1 - x^{\downarrow} w)} \right], \quad (186)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w^2 + 1 - x^{\uparrow} w)} - \frac{\sin \theta_{\Omega} e^{\mp i\phi_{\Omega}} w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w^2 + 1 - x^{\downarrow} w)} \right]. \quad (187)$$

The poles in the denominator are given by,  $w_0^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \frac{x^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \pm \sqrt{(x^{\uparrow(\downarrow)})^2 - 4}}{2}$ , or more explicitly,

$$\begin{aligned} w_0^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} &= \frac{\frac{E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} + i\delta}{t} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} + i\delta}{t}\right)^2 - 4}}{2} \\ &= \frac{E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} + i\delta}{2t} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}}{2t}\right)^2 - 1} \\ &= \chi^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \pm \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow(\downarrow)} - 1 + i\eta} \end{aligned} \quad (188)$$

where  $\chi^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \frac{E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{||}} - \epsilon_{\Omega}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}}{2t}$  and  $\eta = \delta/2t$  remains an infinitesimal number. Therefore,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_\Omega) w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w - (\chi^\uparrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta))(w - (\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta))} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_\Omega) w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w - (\chi^\downarrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta))(w - (\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta))} \right], \quad (189)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega} w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w - (\chi^\uparrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta))(w - (\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta))} - \frac{\sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega} w^{|l-m|} dw}{(w - (\chi^\downarrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta))(w - (\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta))} \right]. \quad (190)$$

Each term in the above equations has two poles. If  $l - m > 0$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$  is the lower half-plane and  $w_{0-}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \in \mathbb{C}$  ( $w_{0+}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \notin \mathbb{C}$ ). If  $m - l > 0$   $\mathbb{C}$  is the upper half-plane and  $w_{0+}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \in \mathbb{C}$  ( $w_{0-}^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} \notin \mathbb{C}$ ). Therefore the residue theorem gives,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_\Omega)(\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta)^{|l-m|}}{((\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta) - (\chi^\uparrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta))} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_\Omega)(\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta)^{|l-m|}}{((\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta) - (\chi^\downarrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta))} \right], \quad (191)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega} (\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta)^{|l-m|}}{((\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta) - (\chi^\uparrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1} + i\eta))} - \frac{\sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega} (\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta)^{|l-m|}}{((\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta) - (\chi^\downarrow + \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1} + i\eta))} \right]. \quad (192)$$

Simplifying,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta_\Omega)(\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1})^{|l-m|}}{2\sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1}} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta_\Omega)(\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1})^{|l-m|}}{2\sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1}} \right], \quad (193)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2t} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega} (\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1})^{|l-m|}}{2\sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow} - 1}} - \frac{\sin \theta_\Omega e^{\mp i\phi_\Omega} (\chi^\downarrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1})^{|l-m|}}{2\sqrt{\chi^{2\downarrow} - 1}} \right], \quad (194)$$

where we set in the numerator  $i\eta \rightarrow 0$ . Considering  $n^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = (\chi^\uparrow - \sqrt{\chi^{2\uparrow(\downarrow)} - 1}) = (\chi^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} - i\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\uparrow(\downarrow)}})$  and  $d^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sqrt{4t^2 - (E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_\parallel} - \epsilon_\Omega^{\uparrow(\downarrow)})^2}$  we have,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{i}{2} \left[ \frac{(1 \mp \cos \theta) n^{\uparrow|l-m|}}{d^\uparrow} + \frac{(1 \pm \cos \theta) n^{\downarrow|l-m|}}{d^\downarrow} \right], \quad (195)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = -\frac{i}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin \theta e^{\mp i\phi} n^{\uparrow|l-m|}}{d^\uparrow} - \frac{\sin \theta e^{\mp i\phi} n^{\downarrow|l-m|}}{d^\downarrow} \right], \quad (196)$$

where we suppressed subindex  $\Omega$  for simplicity.  $l$  and  $m$  represent atomic sites. Eqs. (195)-(196) constitute our isolated retarded Green's functions for an infinite electrode. Notice that this solution is in the global frame. If we go to the local quantization axis the equations above are reduced to,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow(\uparrow)} = -i \left[ \frac{n^{\downarrow(\uparrow)|l-m|}}{d^{\downarrow(\uparrow)}} \right], \quad (197)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = 0, \quad (198)$$

and the corresponding solution in the global frame is re-expressed as,

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow\downarrow(\uparrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (1 \mp \cos \theta) \hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow} + (1 \pm \cos \theta) \hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow} \right], \quad (199)$$

$$\hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow\downarrow(\downarrow\uparrow)} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sin \theta e^{\mp i\phi} \hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\uparrow} - \sin \theta e^{\mp i\phi} \hat{g}_{l,m,E}^{r,\downarrow} \right], \quad (200)$$

To derive the solution for a semi-infinite region we consider Dyson's equation. In its general form we have,

$$\hat{G}_{pq} = \hat{g}_{pq} + \hat{g}_{p\alpha} t_{\alpha\alpha'} \hat{G}_{\alpha'q}, \quad (201)$$

where  $\hat{G}$  is the Green's function for the infinite system and  $\hat{g}$  is the semi-infinite Green's function. Both are expressed in the local quantization axis. As seen in Fig. 3, by connecting 2 semi-infinite systems we can recover the infinite case.  $\alpha$  is the last site in the left semi-infinite system and  $\alpha'$  is the first site in the right semi-infinite system,  $p$  and  $q$  are any sites in the full (infinite) system.

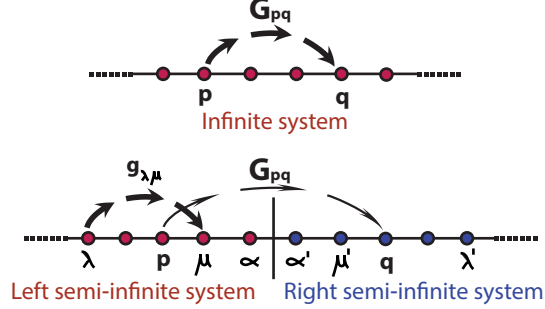


FIG. 3. (top) Representation of an infinite chain.  $\hat{G}_{pq}$  is the infinite Green's function that propagates the electron from site  $p$  to site  $q$ . (bottom) Representation of two semi-infinite chains.  $\hat{g}_{\lambda\mu}$  is the left semi-infinite Green's function that propagates the electron from site  $j = \lambda$  to site  $j = \mu$ .

In particular from Eq. (201) we have,  $\hat{G}_{q\alpha} = \hat{g}_{q\alpha'} t_{\alpha'\alpha} \hat{G}_{\alpha\alpha}$  and  $\hat{G}_{p\alpha'} = \hat{g}_{p\alpha} t_{\alpha\alpha'} \hat{G}_{\alpha'\alpha'}$ , where  $\hat{g}_{q\alpha} = 0$  and  $\hat{g}_{p\alpha'} = 0$  as each pair of subindexes correspond to different semi-infinite regions. Rearranging we have,

$$\hat{g}_{q\alpha'}^\sigma = \frac{\hat{G}_{q\alpha}^\sigma}{t_{\alpha'\alpha} \hat{G}_{\alpha\alpha}^\sigma} = \frac{n^{\sigma|q-\alpha|}}{t_{\alpha'\alpha}}, \quad (202)$$

$$\hat{g}_{p\alpha}^\sigma = \frac{\hat{G}_{p\alpha'}^\sigma}{t_{\alpha\alpha'} \hat{G}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^\sigma} = \frac{n^{\sigma|p-\alpha'|}}{t_{\alpha\alpha'}}, \quad (203)$$

where  $\sigma$  is either  $\uparrow$  or  $\downarrow$ . Considering  $n^\sigma = (\chi^\sigma - i\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\sigma}})$  then

$$n^{\sigma^{-1}} = \frac{1}{n^\sigma} = \frac{1}{(\chi^\sigma - i\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\sigma}})} \frac{(\chi^\sigma + i\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\sigma}})}{(\chi^\sigma + i\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\sigma}})} = (\chi^\sigma + i\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\sigma}}) = n^{*\sigma}. \quad (204)$$

Consequently

$$-i(n^{\sigma^{-1}} - n^\sigma) = 2\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\sigma}}. \quad (205)$$

Since  $d^\sigma = \sqrt{4t^2 - (E - \epsilon_{k_\parallel} - \epsilon_\Omega^\sigma)^2}$  and  $\chi^\sigma = \frac{E - \epsilon_{k_\parallel} - \epsilon_\Omega^\sigma}{2t}$  then  $d^\sigma = 2t\sqrt{1 - \chi^{2\sigma}}$ . Therefore, Eq. (205) becomes,

$$\frac{1}{t} = -i \frac{(n^{\sigma^{-1}} - n^\sigma)}{d^\sigma}. \quad (206)$$

Making use of Eq. (206) we re-express Eqs. (202)-(203) as,

$$\hat{g}_{q\alpha'}^\sigma = -i \frac{n^{\sigma|q-\alpha|} (n^{\sigma^{-1}} - n^\sigma)}{d^\sigma}, \quad (207)$$

$$\hat{g}_{p\alpha}^\sigma = -i \frac{n^{\sigma|p-\alpha'|} (n^{\sigma^{-1}} - n^\sigma)}{d^\sigma}. \quad (208)$$

As seen in Fig. 3, to consider subindexes of the same semi-infinite region we take  $\alpha' = \alpha + 1$ , where  $q > \alpha'$  and  $p < \alpha$  then,

$$\hat{g}_{q\alpha'}^\sigma = -i \frac{n^{\sigma(q-(\alpha'-1))} (n^{\sigma-1} - n^\sigma)}{d^\sigma} = -i \frac{(n^{\sigma(q-\alpha')} - n^{\sigma(q-\alpha'+2)})}{d^\sigma}, \quad (209)$$

$$\hat{g}_{p\alpha}^\sigma = -i \frac{n^{\sigma-(p-(\alpha+1))} (n^{\sigma-1} - n^\sigma)}{d^\sigma} = -i \frac{(n^{\sigma-p+\alpha} - n^{\sigma-p+\alpha+2})}{d^\sigma}. \quad (210)$$

From now on it is enough to consider the positive semi-infinite region. we choose  $\alpha' = 1$  then,

$$\hat{g}_{q1}^\sigma = -i \frac{(n^{\sigma(q-1)} - n^{\sigma(q+1)})}{d^\sigma}. \quad (211)$$

$$(212)$$

For the rest of the matrix elements with  $l, m \geq \alpha'$  we apply Dyson's equation,

$$\hat{G}_{lm} = \hat{g}_{lm} + \hat{g}_{l\alpha'} t \hat{G}_{\alpha m} \rightarrow \hat{g}_{lm} = \hat{G}_{lm} - \hat{g}_{l\alpha'} t \hat{G}_{\alpha m} \quad (213)$$

Using Eq. (211) it becomes,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{g}_{lm}^\sigma &= \hat{G}_{lm}^\sigma - \hat{g}_{l\alpha'}^\sigma t \hat{G}_{\alpha m}^\sigma \\ &= -i \frac{n^{\sigma|l-m|}}{d^\sigma} - i^2 \frac{(n^{\sigma(l-1)} - n^{\sigma(l+1)})}{d^\sigma} t \frac{n^{\sigma m}}{d^\sigma} \\ &= -i \frac{n^{\sigma|l-m|}}{d^\sigma} + \frac{(n^{\sigma(l+m-1)} - n^{\sigma(l+m+1)})}{d^{\sigma^2}} t \\ &= -i \frac{n^{\sigma|l-m|}}{d^\sigma} + n^{\sigma(l+m)} \frac{(n^{\sigma-1} - n^{\sigma^1})}{d^{\sigma^2}} t \\ &= -i \frac{n^{\sigma|l-m|}}{d^\sigma} + i \frac{n^{\sigma(l+m)}}{d^\sigma} \\ &= -i \left[ \frac{n^{\sigma|l-m|}}{d^\sigma} - \frac{n^{\sigma(l+m)}}{d^\sigma} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (214)$$

Considering Eqs. (199)-(200), for an arbitrary direction of the magnetization the retarded component of the semi-infinite Green's function is expressed as,

$$\hat{g}^{r,\uparrow\uparrow(\downarrow\downarrow)}(l, m; E) = -\frac{i}{2} \left[ (1 \pm \cos \theta) \frac{n^{\uparrow|l-m|} - n^{\uparrow(l+m)}}{d^\uparrow} + (1 \mp \cos \theta) \frac{n^{\downarrow|l-m|} - n^{\downarrow(l+m)}}{d^\downarrow} \right], \quad (215)$$

$$\hat{g}^{r,\downarrow\uparrow(\uparrow\downarrow)}(l, m; E) = -\frac{i}{2} \left[ \sin \theta e^{\pm i\phi} \frac{n^{\uparrow|l-m|}}{d^\uparrow} - \sin \theta e^{\pm i\phi} \frac{n^{\downarrow|l-m|}}{d^\downarrow} + \sin \theta e^{\pm i\phi} \frac{n^{\downarrow(l+m)}}{d^\downarrow} - \sin \theta e^{\pm i\phi} \frac{n^{\uparrow(l+m)}}{d^\uparrow} \right]. \quad (216)$$

### C. Coupled Green's functions

For a finite system in contact with two electrodes, the Hamiltonian given in Eq. (111) in its block form reads,

$$\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{H}_{left} & \hat{H}_{left-finite} & 0 \\ \hat{H}_{left-finite}^\dagger & \hat{H}_{finite} & \hat{H}_{right-finite}^\dagger \\ 0 & \hat{H}_{right-finite} & \hat{H}_{right} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (217)$$

where  $\hat{H}_{left-finite}$  and  $\hat{H}_{right-finite}$  are the two components of the interaction Hamiltonian given in Eq. (122). For simplicity we consider here the case where the finite region is given entirely by the barrier, i.e.,  $\hat{H}_{finite} = \hat{H}_B$  and  $\hat{H}_{left(right)} = \hat{H}_{L(R)}$ . Schrodinger's equation in the Green's function representation is given by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} E - \hat{H}_L & -\hat{H}_{LF} & 0 \\ -\hat{H}_{LF}^\dagger & E - \hat{H}_F & -\hat{H}_{RF}^\dagger \\ 0 & -\hat{H}_{RF} & E - \hat{H}_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{G}_{LL} & \hat{G}_{LF} & 0 \\ \hat{G}_{FL} & \hat{G}_{FF} & \hat{G}_{FR} \\ 0 & \hat{G}_{RF} & \hat{G}_{RR} \end{pmatrix} = \hat{I}, \quad (218)$$

which gives rise to a solution of the form  $(E - \hat{H}_F - \hat{\Sigma})\hat{G}_{FF} = \hat{I}$ , with  $\hat{\Sigma} = \hat{H}_{LF}^\dagger(E - \hat{H}_L)^{-1}\hat{H}_{LF} + \hat{H}_{RF}^\dagger(E - \hat{H}_R)^{-1}\hat{H}_{RF}$ . Replacing Eq. (122) in the definition of  $\hat{\Sigma}$  we have,  $\hat{\Sigma} = t_{a\alpha}\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}t_{\alpha a} + t_{b\alpha'}\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}t_{\alpha' b}$ , where site  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha'$ ) in the left (right) electrode is next to site  $a$  ( $b$ ) in the finite region, see left panel in Fig. 2. Notice that  $\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha(\alpha'\alpha')}$  is the  $2 \times 2$  isolated semi-infinite retarded Green's function matrix derived in the previous section. In what follows, upper-index  $r$  is removed for simplicity.  $\hat{\Sigma}$  describes the propagation of the electron across the interfaces and is referred to as the self energy term. It can be partitioned in two components,

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{aa} = t_{a\alpha}\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}t_{\alpha a}, \quad \hat{\Sigma}_{bb} = t_{b\alpha'}\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}t_{\alpha' b}. \quad (219)$$

We now proceed to couple the full system made of semi-infinite electrodes and a finite system. For this we solve a system of Dyson's equations of the form

$$\hat{G}_{pq} = \hat{g}_{pq} + \hat{g}_{pa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa}\hat{G}_{aq} + \hat{g}_{pb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb}\hat{G}_{bq}, \quad (220)$$

where  $\hat{G}$  ( $\hat{g}$ ) is the  $2 \times 2$  coupled (isolated) retarded Green's function matrix.  $p$  and  $q$  denote atomic sites in the finite region. Eq. (220) is self-consistent, which means that each coupled Green's function can be described in terms of isolated Green's functions. For example we have,

$$\hat{G}_{aq} = (I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{aq} + (I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb}\hat{G}_{bq}, \quad (221)$$

$$\hat{G}_{bq} = (I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{bq} + (I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa}\hat{G}_{aq}. \quad (222)$$

Replacing Eq. (222) in Eq. (221), we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_{aq} = & (I - (I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb}(I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}(I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{aq} \\ & + (I - (I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb}(I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}(I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb}(I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{bq}. \end{aligned} \quad (223)$$

Similarly replacing Eq. (221) in Eq. (222),

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_{bq} = & (I - (I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa}(I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}(I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{bq} \\ & + (I - (I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa}(I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}(I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa}(I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{aq}. \end{aligned} \quad (224)$$

Considering,

$$\hat{\Sigma}_L = \hat{\Sigma}_{aa} = t_{a\alpha}\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}t_{\alpha a}, \quad (225)$$

$$\hat{\Sigma}_R = \hat{\Sigma}_{bb} = t_{b\alpha'}\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}t_{\alpha' b}, \quad (226)$$

$$\text{invA} = (I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_L)^{-1}, \quad (227)$$

$$\text{invB} = (I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_R)^{-1}, \quad (228)$$

$$\text{invDen1} = (I - (I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb}(I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}, \quad (229)$$

$$\text{invDen2} = (I - (I - \hat{g}_{bb}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa}(I - \hat{g}_{aa}\hat{\Sigma}_{aa})^{-1}\hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_{bb})^{-1}. \quad (230)$$

Then,

$$\hat{G}_{aq} = (\text{invDen1})(\text{invA})(\hat{g}_{aq} + \hat{g}_{ab}\hat{\Sigma}_R\text{invB}\hat{g}_{bq}), \quad (231)$$

$$\hat{G}_{bq} = (\text{invDen2})(\text{invB})(\hat{g}_{bq} + \hat{g}_{ba}\hat{\Sigma}_L\text{invA}\hat{g}_{aq}), \quad (232)$$

$$\hat{G}_{pq} = \hat{g}_{pq} + \hat{g}_{pa}\hat{\Sigma}_L\hat{G}_{aq} + \hat{g}_{pb}\hat{\Sigma}_R\hat{G}_{bq}. \quad (233)$$

Similar calculations are performed for the advanced Green's functions,  $\hat{G}_{pq}^a$ , given as the Hermitian conjugate of  $\hat{G}_{pq}$ .

#### D. Lesser Green's functions: Quantum Kinetic Equation

In its matrix form, Dyson's equation in Keldysh formalism reads,<sup>1</sup>

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hat{G}_{pq}^a \\ \hat{G}_{pq}^r & \hat{F}_{pq} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hat{g}_{pq}^a \\ \hat{g}_{pq}^r & \hat{f}_{pq} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hat{g}_{pq_1}^a \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^a \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^a \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^a \hat{F}_{q_2 q}^a \\ \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^r \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^r + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^r \hat{F}_{q_2 q}^r + \hat{f}_{pq_1} \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^a \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a \end{bmatrix}, \quad (234)$$

which leads to three equations of the form,

$$\hat{G}_{pq}^a = \hat{g}_{pq}^a + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^a \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^a \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a \quad (235)$$

$$\hat{G}_{pq}^r = \hat{g}_{pq}^r + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^r \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^r \quad (236)$$

$$\hat{F}_{pq} = \hat{f}_{pq} + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Omega}_{q_1, q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^r \hat{F}_{q_2 q}^r + \hat{f}_{pq_1} \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2}^a \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a \quad (237)$$

The first two are the usual Dyson's equations for the advanced ( $\hat{G}^a$ ) and retarded ( $\hat{G}^r$ ) Green's functions. The third one is referred to as the non-equilibrium Dyson's equation for the Keldysh function ( $\hat{F}$ ). Considering the leads to give an instantaneous perturbation,<sup>2</sup> the self-energy reads,

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{q_1 q_2} = t(\delta_{q_1 \alpha} \delta_{a q_2} + \delta_{q_1 a} \delta_{\alpha q_2}) + t'(\delta_{q_1 b} \delta_{\alpha' q_2} + \delta_{q_1 \alpha'} \delta_{b q_2}), \quad (238)$$

with  $\hat{\Omega} = 0$ ,  $\hat{\Sigma}^r = \hat{\Sigma}^a = \hat{\Sigma}$ . In Keldysh formalism the following relationships hold among the Green's functions,

$$\hat{G}_{pq}^< = \frac{1}{2}[\hat{F}_{pq} + \hat{G}_{pq}^a - \hat{G}_{pq}^r], \quad (239)$$

$$\hat{g}_{pq}^< = \frac{1}{2}[\hat{f}_{pq} + \hat{g}_{pq}^a - \hat{g}_{pq}^r]. \quad (240)$$

Replacing Eqs. (239)-(240) in Eq. (237) we have,

$$\begin{aligned} 2\hat{G}_{pq}^< - \hat{G}_{pq}^a + \hat{G}_{pq}^r &= 2\hat{g}_{pq}^< - \hat{g}_{pq}^a + \hat{g}_{pq}^r + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2} (2\hat{G}_{q_2 q}^< - \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a + \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^r) + (2\hat{g}_{pq_1}^< - \hat{g}_{pq_1}^a + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r) \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1 q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a, \\ &= 2\hat{g}_{pq}^< - \hat{g}_{pq}^a + \hat{g}_{pq}^r + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2} (2\hat{G}_{q_2 q}^< + \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^r) + (2\hat{g}_{pq_1}^< - \hat{g}_{pq_1}^a) \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1 q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a, \\ &= 2\hat{g}_{pq}^< + 2\hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^< + 2\hat{g}_{pq_1}^< \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1 q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a - \hat{g}_{pq}^a + \hat{g}_{pq}^r + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^r - \hat{g}_{pq_1}^a \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1 q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a. \end{aligned} \quad (241)$$

Notice in Eq. (241) that Eqs. (235)-(236) appear; therefore,

$$\hat{G}_{pq}^< = \hat{g}_{pq}^< + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^r \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1, q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^< + \hat{g}_{pq_1}^< \hat{\Sigma}_{q_1 q_2} \hat{G}_{q_2 q}^a, \quad (242)$$

which corresponds to the non-equilibrium Dyson's equation for the Lesser Green's function. Considering Eq. (238) we see that the self-energy is non-zero only in four particular cases:  $(q_1 = \alpha, q_2 = a)$ ,  $(q_1 = a, q_2 = \alpha)$ ,  $(q_1 = b, q_2 = \alpha')$ , and  $(q_1 = \alpha', q_2 = b)$ . Consequently the full expression reads,



$$\hat{G}_{pq}^< = \hat{g}_{pq}^< + t(\hat{g}_{p\alpha}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha q}^< + \hat{g}_{pa}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha q}^< + \hat{g}_{p\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha q}^a + \hat{g}_{pa}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha q}^a) + t'(\hat{g}_{pb}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'q}^< + \hat{g}_{p\alpha'}^r \hat{G}_{bq}^< + \hat{g}_{pb}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha'q}^a + \hat{g}_{p\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{bq}^a). \quad (243)$$

To derive the Lesser Green's function ( $\hat{G}_{ij}^<$ ) in the finite region ( $i, j \in$  finite system) we take into account that  $g^<$  and  $g$  are defined as isolated contributions; therefore, they vanish when  $i$  and  $j$  points are taken in different subparts of the junctions, e.g.,  $g_{\alpha,j}^r = 0$ . Therefore, the above expression simplifies to,

$$\hat{G}_{ij}^< = \hat{g}_{iq}^< + t\hat{g}_{ia}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + t\hat{g}_{ia}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^a + t'\hat{g}_{ib}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{ib}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^a. \quad (244)$$

In the original Caroli's paper,<sup>2</sup> the finite region was treated as a barrier to get rid of initial electron occupation given by  $g^<$ , i.e., the density of states becomes zero due to tunneling effect; being it related to the imaginary part of the Green's functions, then the latter become real,  $g^a = g^r = g_{ij}$  and  $g_{ij}^< = 0$ . In a more general approach, the finite region may consider metallic states; nonetheless, after tedious calculations (not presented here) it is shown that even in the presence of metallic states we have  $g_{ij}^< = 0$  in the finite region. From a physical point of view it means that when the system reaches the steady state, its non-equilibrium occupation will be solely determined by the chemical potentials of the leads and the system will "forget" its initial occupation. Of course, this approach is valid only for the steady state limit. Mathematically it implies that the above expression reduces to,

$$\hat{G}_{ij}^< = t\hat{g}_{ia}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{ib}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^<. \quad (245)$$

Considering Eq. (243) we also have,

$$\hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< = t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^a + t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^<, \quad (246)$$

$$\hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^< = t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^r \hat{G}_{b j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{b j}^a, \quad (247)$$

$$\hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< = t\hat{g}_{aa}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{ab}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^<, \quad (248)$$

$$\hat{G}_{b j}^< = t\hat{g}_{ba}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{bb}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^<. \quad (249)$$

Replacing Eq. (248) in (246) we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< &= t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^a + t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^r (t\hat{g}_{aa}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{ab}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^<) \\ &= t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^a + \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^<, \\ \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< &= (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^a + (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^<. \end{aligned} \quad (250)$$

Replacing Eq. (249) in (247) we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^< &= t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^r (t\hat{g}_{ba}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{bb}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^<) + t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{b j}^a \\ &= \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^< + t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{b j}^a, \\ \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^< &= (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< + (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{b j}^a. \end{aligned} \quad (251)$$

Replacing Eq. (251) in (250) we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< &= [I - (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r]^{-1} (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^a \\ &\quad + [I - (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r]^{-1} (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{b j}^a. \end{aligned} \quad (252)$$

Replacing Eq. (250) in (251) we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_{\alpha'j}^< &= [I - (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r]^{-1} (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} t\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{\alpha j}^a \\ &\quad + [I - (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r]^{-1} (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} t'\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{b j}^a. \end{aligned} \quad (253)$$

Considering

$$\text{invDen1} = [I - (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r]^{-1}, \quad (254)$$

$$\text{invDen2} = [I - (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1} \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r]^{-1}, \quad (255)$$

$$\text{invA} = (I - \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{aa}^r)^{-1}, \quad (256)$$

$$\text{invB} = (I - \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{bb}^r)^{-1}, \quad (257)$$

we have,

$$\hat{G}_{\alpha j}^< = (\text{invDen1})(\text{invA}) t g_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{aj}^a + (\text{invDen1})(\text{invA}) \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r (\text{invB}) t' \hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{bj}^a, \quad (258)$$

$$\hat{G}_{\alpha' j}^< = (\text{invDen2})(\text{invB}) \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r (\text{invA}) t g_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{aj}^a + (\text{invDen2})(\text{invB}) t' \hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{bj}^a. \quad (259)$$

Notice that Eqs. (254)-(257) are different from the ones given in the previous section. Replacing Eqs. (258)-(259) in Eq. (245) we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}_{ij}^< &= t^2 \hat{g}_{ia}^r (\text{invDen1})(\text{invA}) g_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{aj}^a + t^2 \hat{g}_{ib}^r (\text{invDen2})(\text{invB}) \hat{\Sigma}_R \hat{g}_{ba}^r (\text{invA}) g_{\alpha\alpha}^< \hat{G}_{aj}^a \\ &+ t^2 \hat{g}_{ib}^r (\text{invDen2})(\text{invB}) \hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{bj}^a + t^2 \hat{g}_{ia}^r (\text{invDen1})(\text{invA}) \hat{\Sigma}_L \hat{g}_{ab}^r (\text{invB}) \hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< \hat{G}_{bj}^a. \end{aligned} \quad (260)$$

Considering

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha\alpha} = (1 - 2f_L)(g_{\alpha\alpha}^r - \hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^a), \quad (261)$$

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha'\alpha'} = (1 - 2f_R)(g_{\alpha'\alpha'}^r - \hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^a), \quad (262)$$

where the Fermi Dirac distribution is given by,

$$f_L = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{E - \mu_L}{k_B T}} + 1}, \quad (263)$$

$$f_R = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{E - \mu_R}{k_B T}} + 1}, \quad (264)$$

and the usual definition,

$$\hat{g}_{pq}^< = \frac{1}{2}[\hat{f}_{pq} + \hat{g}_{pq}^a - \hat{g}_{pq}^r], \quad (265)$$

we have,

$$\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^< = -f_L(\hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^r - \hat{g}_{\alpha\alpha}^a), \quad (266)$$

$$\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^< = -f_R(\hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^r - \hat{g}_{\alpha'\alpha'}^a). \quad (267)$$

Eq. (260) is our final expression for the Lesser Green's function.

## V. CHARGE CURRENT DENSITY

In the following, we proceed to derive the charge current density for our tunnel junction made of semi-infinite electrodes and a finite region.

### A. General definition in second quantization

Let P be a point between sites i and i+1 (see Fig. 1), the current at point P is the difference between the flow of electrons from left to right and from right to left. We thus expect an operator of the form,

$$J_P = \sum_{l \geq i+1, m \leq i} A_{ml} c_l^\dagger c_m - \sum_{l \leq i, m \geq i+1} A_{ml} c_l^\dagger c_m, \quad (268)$$

And if we take the current at point P', we have

$$J_{P'} = \sum_{l \geq i, m \leq i-1} A_{ml} c_l^\dagger c_m - \sum_{l \leq i-1, m \geq i} A_{ml} c_l^\dagger c_m, \quad (269)$$

where the first term refers to the flow from left to right and the second term from right to left. Notice that we are neglecting the spin for simplicity.

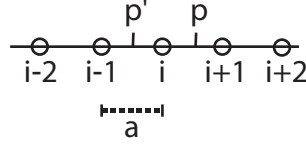


FIG. 4. Discretization of a 1D system

To calculate  $A_{lm}$  we consider the continuity equation,  $-\nabla j_e = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$ . In its discrete representation reads,

$$\frac{\partial \rho_i}{\partial t} + \frac{j_P - j_{P'}}{a} = 0. \quad (270)$$

$P'$  is a point between sites (i-1) and i, while  $\rho_i = ec_i^\dagger c_i$  is the electron charge at site i. In Eq. (1) we defined any operator; therefore the Hamiltonian (H) is given in a similar form. Considering the relation  $\frac{\partial \rho_i}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\rho_i, H]$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho_i}{\partial t} &= \frac{1}{i\hbar} [ec_i^\dagger c_i, \sum_{lm} T_{lm} c_m^\dagger c_l] \\ &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} [c_i^\dagger c_i \sum_{lm} T_{lm} c_m^\dagger c_l - \sum_{lm} T_{lm} c_m^\dagger c_l c_i^\dagger c_i] \\ &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} [\sum_l T_{li} c_i^\dagger c_l - \sum_m T_{im} c_m^\dagger c_i] \\ &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} \sum_m [T_{mi} c_i^\dagger c_m - T_{im} c_m^\dagger c_i] \end{aligned} \quad (271)$$

For simplicity let's consider the nearest neighbor interaction, consequently summing over  $m$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho_i}{\partial t} &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} [T_{i-1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i-1} + T_{i,i} c_i^\dagger c_i + T_{i+1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i+1} - T_{i,i} c_i^\dagger c_i - T_{i,i+1} c_{i+1}^\dagger c_i - T_{i,i-1} c_{i-1}^\dagger c_i] \\ &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} [T_{i-1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i-1} + T_{i+1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i+1} - T_{i,i+1} c_{i+1}^\dagger c_i - T_{i,i-1} c_{i-1}^\dagger c_i] \\ &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} [T_{i-1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i-1} + T_{i+1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i+1} - h.c.] \end{aligned} \quad (272)$$

Expanding Eqs. (268)-(269) in the nearest neighbor approximation, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} J_P &= \sum_{m \leq i} (A_{m,i+1} c_{i+1}^\dagger c_m + A_{m,i+2} c_{i+2}^\dagger c_m + \dots) - \sum_{m \geq i+1} (A_{m,i} c_i^\dagger c_m + A_{m,i-1} c_{i-1}^\dagger c_m + A_{m,i-2} c_{i-2}^\dagger c_m + \dots) \\ &= (A_{i,i+1} c_{i+1}^\dagger c_i) - (A_{i+1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i+1}), \end{aligned} \quad (273)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{P'} &= \sum_{m \leq i-1} (A_{mi} c_i^\dagger c_m + A_{m,i+1} c_{i+1}^\dagger c_m + A_{mi+2} c_{i+2}^\dagger c_m + \dots) - \sum_{m \geq i} (A_{m,i-1} c_{i-1}^\dagger c_m + A_{m,i-2} c_{i-2}^\dagger c_m + \dots) \\
&= (A_{i-1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i-1}) - (A_{i,i-1} c_{i-1}^\dagger c_i)
\end{aligned} \tag{274}$$

Making use of the continuity equation (Eq. (270)) we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i-1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i-1} + T_{i+1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i+1} - h.c.] &= [(A_{i-1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i-1}) - (A_{i,i-1} c_{i-1}^\dagger c_i)] - [(A_{i,i+1} c_{i+1}^\dagger c_i) - (A_{i+1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i+1})] \\
&= (A_{i-1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i-1}) + (A_{i+1,i} c_i^\dagger c_{i+1}) - h.c.
\end{aligned} \tag{275}$$

Therefore,  $\frac{ea}{i\hbar} T_{ml} = A_{ml}$  and the charge current becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
J_P &= \frac{ea}{i\hbar} \sum_{\sigma, \sigma'} [T_{i,i+1}^{\sigma, \sigma'} c_{i+1}^{\dagger \sigma'} c_i^\sigma - h.c.] \\
&= \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\downarrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\downarrow - h.c.],
\end{aligned} \tag{276}$$

where we have inserted the spin contribution.

## B. Charge current density in the presence of Rashba along the $xz$ -plane

### 1. Anomalous current

In the previous section we considered the Hamiltonian in its general form,

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i,j,\sigma,\sigma'} T_{i,j}^{\sigma,\sigma'} \hat{c}_j^{\dagger \sigma'} \hat{c}_i^\sigma, \tag{277}$$

$$= \sum_{i,j} [T_{i,j}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,j}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\downarrow + T_{i,j}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,j}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\downarrow] \tag{278}$$

and out of it we retrieved a definition of the charge current around point P as,

$$J_P = \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow, \uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow, \uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\downarrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow, \downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow, \downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\downarrow - h.c.]. \tag{279}$$

Notice that this expression is general and subindex  $i$  may refer to any direction in a three dimensional system. The Hamiltonian given in Eq. (277) can be separated in two components, the usual free-electron component and the anomalous component,

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_{so} \tag{280}$$

In §IID 1 the anomalous component was redefined as  $\hat{H}_{so} = \hat{H}_{so}^X + \hat{H}_{so}^Z$ , where

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_{so}^X &= \sum_i \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\uparrow - c_i^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_{i+1}^\uparrow - c_{i+1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\downarrow + c_i^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_{i+1}^\downarrow \right\}, \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\uparrow + c_i^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_{i-1}^\uparrow - c_i^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_{i+1}^\uparrow - c_{i-1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_i^\uparrow + c_{i+1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\downarrow - c_i^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_{i-1}^\downarrow + c_i^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_{i+1}^\downarrow + c_{i-1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_i^\downarrow + \dots \right\}
\end{aligned} \tag{281}$$

$$\hat{H}_{so}^Z = \sum_k \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_k^\uparrow + c_k^{\downarrow \downarrow} c_{k+1}^\uparrow - c_{k+1}^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_k^\downarrow + c_k^{\uparrow \uparrow} c_{k+1}^\downarrow \right\}. \tag{282}$$

Consequently, we can define the anomalous charge currents along  $x$  and  $z$  considering  $\hat{H}_{so}^X$  and  $\hat{H}_{so}^Z$  separately. It follows as general definitions,

$$\hat{H}_{so}^X = \sum_{i,j} T_{i,j}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,j}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,j}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + T_{i,j}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow}, \quad (283)$$

$$\hat{H}_{so}^Z = \sum_{m,n} T_{m,n}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_n^{\dagger\uparrow} c_m^{\uparrow} + T_{m,n}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_n^{\dagger\downarrow} c_m^{\uparrow} + T_{m,n}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_n^{\dagger\uparrow} c_m^{\downarrow} + T_{m,n}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_n^{\dagger\downarrow} c_m^{\downarrow}, \quad (284)$$

where  $i$  ( $m$ ) and  $j$  ( $n$ ) are sub-indexes along the  $x$  ( $z$ )-axis. Comparing them with Eqs. (281) and (282) the above expressions simplify to,

$$\hat{H}_{so}^X = \sum_{i,j} T_{i,j}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,j}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} = \sum_i \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right\} \quad (285)$$

$$\hat{H}_{so}^Z = \sum_{m,n} T_{m,n}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_n^{\dagger\downarrow} c_m^{\uparrow} + T_{m,n}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_n^{\dagger\uparrow} c_m^{\downarrow} = \sum_k \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} \left\{ -c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right\}, \quad (286)$$

Therefore, considering the general definition of the charge current given in Eq. (279), we have for the  $x$  component

$$\begin{aligned} j_{so}^x &= \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - h.c.] \\ &= \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow}] \\ &= \frac{ea}{i\hbar} \left[ \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2a} c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} \right] \\ &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2} [c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow}] \\ &= \frac{e}{\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + h.c.] \end{aligned} \quad (287)$$

and for the  $z$ -component,

$$\begin{aligned} j_{so}^z &= \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + T_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + T_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + T_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} - h.c.] \\ &= \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + T_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} - T_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} - T_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow}] \\ &= -\frac{e}{i\hbar} \left[ \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2} c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2} c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + \frac{\lambda_{so}^*}{2} c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} \right] \\ &= -\frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow}] \\ &= -\frac{e}{\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + h.c.], \end{aligned} \quad (288)$$

$j_{so}^x$  and  $j_{so}^z$  are referred to as the anomalous currents along  $x$  and  $z$ , respectively. Considering that  $G_{ij}^{\sigma\sigma'} < = i\langle c_j^{\sigma'\dagger} c_i^\sigma \rangle$  then,

$$\langle j_{so}^x \rangle = +\frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} + h.c.] \quad (289)$$

$$\langle j_{so}^z \rangle = -\frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} + h.c.] \quad (290)$$

## 2. Anomalous current: First quantization vs Second quantization

For Rashba in the  $xz$ -plane we have  $H_{so} = \alpha(\mathbf{y} \times \mathbf{p}) \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{so} = \frac{\alpha}{\hbar}(\sigma_z, 0, -\sigma_x)$ . Then, the anomalous contribution to the charge current becomes,

$$j_{so}^x = \frac{2\alpha}{\hbar}(\psi^\uparrow\psi^{*\uparrow} - \psi^\downarrow\psi^{*\downarrow}) \quad (291)$$

$$j_{so}^z = -\frac{2\alpha}{\hbar}(\psi^\downarrow\psi^{*\uparrow} + \psi^\uparrow\psi^{*\downarrow}) \quad (292)$$

Further details elsewhere. Recalling our second quantization expressions,

$$\langle j_{so}^x \rangle = +\frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow<} - G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow<} + h.c.] \quad (293)$$

$$\langle j_{so}^z \rangle = -\frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow<} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow<} + h.c.] \quad (294)$$

We can see that Eqs. (291)-(292) are similar to Eqs. (293)-(294) as expected.

### 3. Normal Current

In the previous section we derived the anomalous current considering  $\hat{H}_{so}$ , here we consider  $\hat{H}_0$ , where

$$H_0 = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} + \Delta\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \mathbf{m}_\Omega + \hat{U}. \quad (295)$$

Similarly, the normal charge current for each direction is given by,

$$j_n^x = \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^\uparrow c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^\uparrow c_i^\downarrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^\downarrow c_i^\uparrow + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^\downarrow c_i^\downarrow - h.c.], \quad (296)$$

$$j_n^y = \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{j+1}^\uparrow c_j^\uparrow + T_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{j+1}^\uparrow c_j^\downarrow + T_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{j+1}^\downarrow c_j^\uparrow + T_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{j+1}^\downarrow c_j^\downarrow - h.c.], \quad (297)$$

$$j_n^z = \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{k+1}^\uparrow c_k^\uparrow + T_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{k+1}^\uparrow c_k^\downarrow + T_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{k+1}^\downarrow c_k^\uparrow + T_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{k+1}^\downarrow c_k^\downarrow - h.c.]. \quad (298)$$

Each term of  $H_0$  was derived in previous sections:

$$\hat{H}_U = U(y) \sum_{ijk} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow, \quad (299)$$

$$\hat{H}_{sd} = \sum_{ijk} \cos\theta c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + \sin\theta e^{i\phi} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^\uparrow + \sin\theta e^{-i\phi} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow - \cos\theta c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^\downarrow, \quad (300)$$

$$\hat{H}_p = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk,\sigma} \left[ c_{i+1jk}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma + c_{ij+1k}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma + c_{ijk+1}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma - 3c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma + h.c. \right]. \quad (301)$$

Notice that  $T$  in the charge current is the matrix element of  $\hat{H}$  and it appears for consecutive sites. Therefore  $\hat{H}_U$  and  $\hat{H}_{sd}$  do not contribute to the charge current as they are given for a fixed site (annihilation and creation of an electron occurs on site  $ijk$ ). The only term that contributes to the charge current is  $\hat{H}_p$ . We have,

$$\hat{H}_{p_x} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk,\sigma} \left[ c_{i+1jk}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma + h.c. \right], \quad (302)$$

$$\hat{H}_{p_y} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk,\sigma} \left[ c_{ij+1k}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma + h.c. \right], \quad (303)$$

$$\hat{H}_{p_z} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_{ijk,\sigma} \left[ c_{ijk+1}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\sigma} c_{ijk}^\sigma + h.c. \right]. \quad (304)$$

Since each term is identical, we choose one axis for simplicity, e.g.,  $\hat{H}_{p_x}$ , Expanding the term we have,

$$\hat{H}_{p_x} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \sum_i \left[ c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - 2c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} \right] \quad (305)$$

and

$$j_n^x = \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow,\downarrow} c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow,\uparrow} c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow}], \quad (306)$$

$T^{\uparrow,\downarrow}$  and  $T^{\downarrow,\uparrow}$  are zero considering Eq. (305), then

$$j_n^x = \frac{ea}{i\hbar} [T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + T_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow,\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - T_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow,\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow}]. \quad (307)$$

Finally it is easy to see by comparison with (305),  $T_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow,\uparrow(\downarrow,\downarrow)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2}$  and  $T_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow,\uparrow(\downarrow,\downarrow)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2}$ . Therefore,

$$j_n^x = \frac{eat}{i\hbar} [c_{i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + c_{i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow}]. \quad (308)$$

where we have defined  $t = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2}$ . Considering  $G_{ij}^{\sigma\sigma'<} = i\langle c_j^{\dagger\sigma'} c_i^{\sigma} \rangle$  then

$$\langle j_n^x \rangle = -\frac{eat}{\hbar} [G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}]. \quad (309)$$

The other two components are given by,

$$\langle j_n^y \rangle = -\frac{eat}{\hbar} [G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}], \quad (310)$$

$$\langle j_n^z \rangle = -\frac{eat}{\hbar} [G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}]. \quad (311)$$

### C. Total Charge Current Density

The total charge current for each component is given by summing up the normal and anomalous contributions,

$$\langle j_T^x \rangle = -\frac{eat}{\hbar} [G_{ijk,i+1jk}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{ijk,i+1jk}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{i+1jk,ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{i+1jk,ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}] + \frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [G_{ijk,i+1jk}^{\uparrow,\uparrow<} - G_{ijk,i+1jk}^{\downarrow,\downarrow<} + h.c.], \quad (312)$$

$$\langle j_T^y \rangle = -\frac{eat}{\hbar} [G_{ijk,ij+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{ijk,ij+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{ij+1k,ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{ij+1k,ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}], \quad (313)$$

$$\langle j_T^z \rangle = -\frac{eat}{\hbar} [G_{ijk,ijk+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{ijk,ijk+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{ijk+1,ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{ijk+1,ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}] - \frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} [G_{ijk,ijk+1}^{\downarrow,\uparrow<} + G_{ijk,ijk+1}^{\uparrow,\downarrow<} + h.c.]. \quad (314)$$

Notice that all three subindexes are considered. Taking advantage of translational invariance along the  $xz$ -plane, we Fourier transform all quantities to  $\hat{G}_{j,j'}^< \equiv \hat{G}_{j,j'}^<(\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E)$  with  $\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} = (k_x, k_z)$  as

$$\hat{G}_{ijk,i'j'k'}^< = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int G_{j,j'}^< e^{i(k_x(i-i')a + k_z(k-k')a)} d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}. \quad (315)$$

For  $i = i'$  and  $k = k'$  it simplifies to,

$$\hat{G}_{ijk,i'j'k'}^< = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int G_{j,j'}^< d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}. \quad (316)$$

Upon integrating over the energy,  $\int \frac{dE}{2\pi}$ , the  $y$ -component of the charge current reads,

$$\langle j_T^y \rangle = \frac{eat}{(2\pi)^3 \hbar} \int \int [G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}. \quad (317)$$

For the anomalous charge current we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle j_{so}^x \rangle &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int [G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\uparrow<} e^{-ik_x a} - G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\downarrow<} e^{-ik_x a} + G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\downarrow<} e^{ik_x a} - G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\uparrow<} e^{ik_x a}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, \\ &= \frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \cos k_x a [G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\uparrow<} - G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\downarrow<}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \end{aligned} \quad (318)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle j_{so}^z \rangle &= -\frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int [G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\uparrow<} e^{-ik_z a} + G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\downarrow<} e^{-ik_z a} + G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\downarrow<} e^{ik_z a} + G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\uparrow<} e^{ik_z a}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \\ &= -\frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \cos k_z a [G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\uparrow<} + G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\downarrow<}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}. \end{aligned} \quad (319)$$

Normal components of the charge current along  $x$  and  $z$  are

$$\begin{aligned} \langle j_n^x \rangle &= -\frac{eat}{\hbar} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int [G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} e^{-ik_x a} + G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} e^{-ik_x a} - G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} e^{ik_x a} - G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} e^{ik_x a}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, \\ &= \frac{eat}{\hbar} \frac{i}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \sin k_x a [G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, \end{aligned} \quad (320)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle j_n^z \rangle &= -\frac{eat}{\hbar} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int [G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} e^{-ik_z a} + G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} e^{-ik_z a} - G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} e^{ik_z a} - G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} e^{ik_z a}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}. \\ &= \frac{eat}{\hbar} \frac{i}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \sin k_z a [G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}. \end{aligned} \quad (321)$$

Then the total current is given by,

$$\langle j_T^x \rangle = \sum_j \left[ \frac{eat}{\hbar} \frac{i}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \sin k_x a (G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}) dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} + \frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \cos k_x a (G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\uparrow<} - G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\downarrow<}) dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \right], \quad (322)$$

$$\langle j_T^y \rangle = \sum_j \left[ \frac{eat}{\hbar} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int (G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} - G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}) dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \right], \quad (323)$$

$$\langle j_T^z \rangle = \sum_j \left[ \frac{eat}{\hbar} \frac{i}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \sin k_z a (G_{j,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow<} + G_{j,j}^{\downarrow\downarrow<}) dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} - \frac{e}{i\hbar} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int 2 \cos k_z a (G_{j,j}^{\downarrow,\uparrow<} + G_{j,j}^{\uparrow,\downarrow<}) dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \right], \quad (324)$$

where we have summed over the length of the scattering region.

## VI. SPIN CURRENT DENSITY

The mechanism giving rise to the itinerant spin density can be understood by looking at the spin-density continuity equation,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{S}}{dt} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\mathbf{S}, \hat{H}]. \quad (325)$$

In our case  $H = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} + \Delta \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{m} + U + \frac{\lambda_{so}}{\hbar} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot (\mathbf{y} \times \mathbf{p}) = H_p + H_{\Delta} + H_U + H_{so}$ . In second quantization the spin density is given by,

$$S_x = \frac{\hbar}{2} (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) \quad (326)$$

$$S_y = \frac{i\hbar}{2} (-c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) \quad (327)$$

$$S_z = \frac{\hbar}{2} (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} - c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}). \quad (328)$$



$(i, j, k)$  is the site index along  $(x, y, z)$ . Let's consider first  $H_p$ ,

$$\frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} = t \sum_{ijk\sigma} \left[ \hat{c}_{i+1,jk}^{\dagger\sigma} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\sigma} - 3\hat{c}_{ijk}^{\dagger\sigma} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\sigma} + \hat{c}_{ij+1,k}^{\dagger\sigma} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\sigma} + \hat{c}_{ij,k+1}^{\dagger\sigma} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\sigma} + h.c. \right], \quad (329)$$

where each component ( $H_p = H_{p_x} + H_{p_y} + H_{p_z}$ ) is given by,

$$\hat{H}_{p_x} = t \sum_i \left[ c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} + c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - 2c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow} \right] \quad (330)$$

$$\hat{H}_{p_y} = t \sum_j \left[ c_{j+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + c_{j+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} + c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - 2c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \right] \quad (331)$$

$$\hat{H}_{p_z} = t \sum_k \left[ c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} - 2c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} \right]. \quad (332)$$

Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\mathbf{S}, \hat{H}_p] = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [ & (S_x H_{p_x} + S_x H_{p_y} + S_x H_{p_z} - H_{p_x} S_x - H_{p_y} S_x - H_{p_z} S_x, \\ & S_y H_{p_x} + S_y H_{p_y} + S_y H_{p_z} - H_{p_x} S_y - H_{p_y} S_y - H_{p_z} S_y, \\ & S_z H_{p_x} + S_z H_{p_y} + S_z H_{p_z} - H_{p_x} S_z - H_{p_y} S_z - H_{p_z} S_z) ] \end{aligned} \quad (333)$$

or

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar} [\mathbf{S}, \hat{H}_p] = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \sum_{l=x,y,z} ([S_x, H_{p_l}], [S_y, H_{p_l}], [S_z, H_{p_l}]). \quad (334)$$

Since  $H_{p_x} \equiv H_{p_y} \equiv H_{p_z}$  it is enough to solve one component. For instance let's consider  $[S_x, H_{p_y}]$  as follows,

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar} [S_x, H_{p_y}] = \frac{t}{2i} \left[ (c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow}), \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) \right] \quad (335)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{t}{2i} \left[ c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) c_j^{\dagger\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\dagger\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) c_j^{\dagger\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (336)$$

It simplifies to,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_x, H_{p_y}] &= \frac{t}{2i} \left[ \left( c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \right) - \left( c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} - 2c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left( c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} - 2c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \right) - \left( c_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + c_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - 2c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{t}{2i} \left[ \left( c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} \right) - \left( c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \right) + \left( c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} \right) - \left( c_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + c_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \right) \right] \\
&= -\frac{it}{2} \left[ \left( c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} - c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \right) + \left( c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow} - c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} - c_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \right) \right] \\
&= -\frac{t}{2} [(G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow}) - (G_{j,j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{j,j-1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow})] \\
&= -\frac{t}{2} [(ic_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} - ic_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + ic_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow}) - (ic_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - ic_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} + ic_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} - ic_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow})] \\
&= -\frac{t}{2} [(ic_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} + ic_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) - (ic_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + ic_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] \\
&= -(J_{yx}^{j,j+1} - J_{yx}^{j-1,j}) \\
&= -\Delta J_{yx}^j
\end{aligned} \tag{338}$$

where we have defined  $J_{yx}^{j,j+1} = \frac{t}{2} [(G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow})]$  and  $J_{yx}^{j-1,j} = \frac{t}{2} [G_{j,j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{j,j-1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow}]$  Consequently,

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_x, H_{p_x} + H_{p_y} + H_{p_z}] = -(J_{xx}^{i,i+1} - J_{xx}^{i-1,i}) - (J_{yx}^{j+1,j} - J_{yx}^{j-1,j}) - (J_{zx}^{k+1,k} - J_{zx}^{k-1,k}) \tag{339}$$

Let's consider now  $[S_y, H_{p_y}]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_y, H_{p_y}] &= \frac{t}{2i} \left[ i(-c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow}), \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\uparrow} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{t}{2} \left[ -c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\uparrow} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\uparrow} \right) c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\uparrow} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_l^{\uparrow} \right) c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \right] \\
&= \frac{t}{2} \left[ (-c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} + 2c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow}) + (c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} - 2c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} - 2c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - c_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + 2c_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow}) \right] \\
&= \frac{t}{2} \left[ (-c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow}) + (c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow}) + (c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - c_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow}) \right] \\
&= \frac{t}{2} \left[ (c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{j+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow}) + (c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow} + c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} - c_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow}) \right] \\
&= -i\frac{t}{2} [(G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) + (G_{j,j-1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{j,j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow})] \\
&= -\frac{t}{2} [i(G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow}) - i(G_{j,j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j,j-1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{j-1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow})] \\
&= -\frac{t}{2} [(c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} - c_j^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.) - (c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\downarrow} - c_{j-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + h.c.)] \\
&= -(J_{yy}^{j,j+1} - J_{yy}^{j-1,j})
\end{aligned} \tag{341}$$

where we have defined  $J_{yy}^{j,j+1} = \frac{it}{2} [(G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{j+1,j}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{j,j+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow})]$ . Consequently,

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_y, H_{p_x} + H_{p_y} + H_{p_z}] = -(J_{xy}^{i,i+1} - J_{xy}^{i-1,i}) - (J_{yy}^{j,j+1} - J_{yy}^{j-1,j}) - (J_{zy}^{k,k+1} - J_{zy}^{k-1,k}) \quad (342)$$

Let's consider now  $[S_z, H_{p_y}]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_z, H_{p_y}] &= \frac{t}{2i} \left[ (c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow}), \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{t}{2i} \left[ c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) \right. \\ &\quad - \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} \\ &\quad - c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_l \left( c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} + c_{l+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1}^{\uparrow} + c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{l+1}^{\downarrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_l^{\uparrow} - 2c_l^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_l^{\downarrow} \right) c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow} \right] \\ &= \frac{t}{2i} \left[ (c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} + c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow}) + (-c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow}) + (-c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow}) + (c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow}) \right] \\ &= -\frac{it}{2} \left[ (c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} + c_{j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow}) + (c_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j-1}^{\uparrow} - c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + c_{j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow} - c_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{j-1}^{\downarrow}) \right] \\ &= -\frac{t}{2} \left[ (G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) - (G_{j,j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{j-1,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{j,j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{j-1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) \right] \\ &= -\frac{t}{2} \left[ (ic_j^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{j+1}^{\uparrow} - ic_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{j+1}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{j-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_j^{\uparrow} + ic_{j-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_j^{\downarrow} + h.c.) \right] \\ &= -(J_{yz}^{j,j+1} - J_{yz}^{j-1,j}) \end{aligned} \quad (344)$$

where we have defined  $J_{yz}^{j,j+1} = \frac{t}{2} [(G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{j+1,j}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{j,j+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow})]$ . Consequently,

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_z, H_{p_x} + H_{p_y} + H_{p_z}] = -(J_{xz}^{i,i+1} - J_{xz}^{i-1,i}) - (J_{yz}^{j,j+1} - J_{yz}^{j-1,j}) - (J_{zz}^{k,k+1} - J_{zz}^{k-1,k}) \quad (345)$$

Then we have for the kinetic term

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i\hbar}[\mathbf{S}, \hat{H}_p] &= \left( -(J_{xx}^{i,i+1} - J_{xx}^{i-1,i}) - (J_{yx}^{j,j+1} - J_{yx}^{j-1,j}) - (J_{zx}^{k,k+1} - J_{zx}^{k-1,k}), \right. \\ &\quad -(J_{xy}^{i,i+1} - J_{xy}^{i-1,i}) - (J_{yy}^{j,j+1} - J_{yy}^{j-1,j}) - (J_{zy}^{k,k+1} - J_{zy}^{k-1,k}), \\ &\quad \left. -(J_{xz}^{i,i+1} - J_{xz}^{i-1,i}) - (J_{yz}^{j,j+1} - J_{yz}^{j-1,j}) - (J_{zz}^{k,k+1} - J_{zz}^{k-1,k}) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (346)$$

Let's consider now the exchange coupling term. We have,

$$\Delta \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \mathbf{m}_\Omega = \sum_{ijk} \Delta \left[ \cos \theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin \theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin \theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - \cos \theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right], \quad (347)$$

therefore,

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar}[\mathbf{S}, \hat{H}_\Delta] = \frac{1}{i\hbar}([S_x, H_\Delta], [S_y, H_\Delta], [S_z, H_\Delta]). \quad (348)$$

Let's start with  $S_x$ , then



$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_z, H_\Delta] &= \frac{\Delta}{2i}[(c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}), \sum_{ijk} \left[ \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right]], \\
&= \frac{\Delta}{2i} \left( c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ijk} \left[ \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right] \right. \\
&\quad - \sum_{ijk} \left[ \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right] c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \\
&\quad - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ijk} \left[ \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right] \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{ijk} \left[ \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right] c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right) \\
&= \frac{\Delta}{2i} \left( (\cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}) - (\cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} - \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}) + (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - \cos\theta_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}) \right) \\
&= \frac{\Delta}{2i} \left( (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}) - (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) - (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) + (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}) \right) \\
&= \frac{\Delta}{i} \left( (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{-i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}) - (\sin\theta_\Omega e^{i\phi_\Omega} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) \right) \\
&= \frac{\Delta}{i} \left( (\sin\theta_\Omega \cos\phi_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - i \sin\theta_\Omega \sin\phi_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}) - (\sin\theta_\Omega \cos\phi_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + i \sin\theta_\Omega \sin\phi_\Omega c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) \right) \\
&= \frac{\Delta}{i} \left( \sin\theta_\Omega \cos\phi_\Omega (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) - i \sin\theta_\Omega \sin\phi_\Omega (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) \right) \\
&= \Delta \left( -i \sin\theta_\Omega \cos\phi_\Omega (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) - \sin\theta_\Omega \sin\phi_\Omega (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}) \right) \\
&= -\frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_y S_x - m_x S_y)
\end{aligned} \tag{351}$$

Consequently we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[\mathbf{S}, H_\Delta] &= -\frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_z S_y - m_y S_z, m_x S_z - m_z S_x, m_y S_x - m_x S_y) \\
&= -\frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{m}
\end{aligned} \tag{352}$$

Let's consider now the potential, we have

$$\hat{U} = \sum_{ijk} U(y) [\hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\downarrow}], \tag{353}$$

therefore,

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar}[\mathbf{S}, \hat{H}_U] = \frac{1}{i\hbar}([S_x, H_U], [S_y, H_U], [S_z, H_U]). \tag{354}$$

Let's start with  $S_x$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_x, H_U] &= \frac{1}{2i}[(c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}), \sum_{ijk} U(y) [\hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow} + \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \hat{c}_{ijk}^{\downarrow}]] \\
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_x, H_U] &= \frac{U(y)}{2i} [c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}] = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{355}$$

Notice that  $S_y$  and  $S_z$  give a similar result, then,

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar}[\mathbf{S}, H_U] = 0 \quad (356)$$

Finally we consider the Rashba coupling term,

$$\sum_{ik,j=b} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \left[ (ic_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - ic_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) \right]. \quad (357)$$

To better understand the problem, let's replace  $\{i, j, k\}$  with  $\{l, m, n\}$ , then

$$\sum_{ln,m=b} \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \left[ (ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) \right], \quad (358)$$

$$\frac{1}{i\hbar}[\mathbf{S}, \hat{H}_{so}] = \frac{1}{i\hbar}([S_x, H_{so}], [S_y, H_{so}], [S_z, H_{so}]). \quad (359)$$

For  $S_x$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_x, \hat{H}_{so}]_{j=b} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} [(c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}), \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)]]] \\ &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \left[ c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] \right. \\ &\quad - \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} \\ &\quad + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} \right] \\ &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \left[ c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln+1}^{\uparrow})] \right. \\ &\quad - \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln+1}^{\uparrow})] c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} \\ &\quad + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} \right] \\ &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \left[ (ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow}) + (-ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow}) - (ic_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - ic_{i-1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) - (-ic_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ik-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (ic_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow}) - (-ic_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + ic_{i-1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) - (ic_{ik-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) \right] \\ &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow} - c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow} + c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) + (c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow} + c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow} + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow} - c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) + (c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) \right] \\ &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow} - c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow}) + (c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow} - c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow}) \right]. \quad (360) \end{aligned}$$

Consequently we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_x, \hat{H}_{so}]_{j=b} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.) + (c_{i-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - c_{i-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_i^{\uparrow} + h.c.) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (c_k^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-c_{k-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} - c_{k-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} + h.c.) \right] \\
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_x, \hat{H}_{so}]_{j=b} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \left[ (G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) + (G_{i,i-1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{i-1,i}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{i,i-1}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{i-1,i}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (G_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}) - (G_{k,k-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k-1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k,k-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} + G_{k-1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow}) \right] \\
&= J_{xx}^{i,i+1} + J_{xx}^{i-1,i} + J_{zx}^{k,k+1} - J_{zx}^{k-1,k} \\
&= J_{xx}^{i,i+1} + J_{xx}^{i-1,i} + \Delta J_{zx}^k.
\end{aligned} \tag{361}$$

For  $S_y$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_y, \hat{H}_{so}]_{j=b} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} [(-c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}), \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)]] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ -c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] \right. \\
&\quad + \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \\
&\quad + c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ -c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln+1}^{\uparrow})] \right. \\
&\quad + \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln+1}^{\uparrow})] c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \\
&\quad + c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ -c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln+1}^{\uparrow})] \right. \\
&\quad + \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln+1}^{\uparrow})] c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \\
&\quad + c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow}) + (ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{lk-1}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - ic_{i-1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) + (-ic_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ik-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) \right. \\
&\quad + (ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow}) - (-ic_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + ic_{i-1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) - (ic_{ik-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (-ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow} + ic_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow} + ic_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow} - ic_{i-1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow} - ic_{i-1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (-ic_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{lk-1}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ik-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow} c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{ik-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{362}$$

Consequently we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_y, \hat{H}_{so}]_{j=b} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (-ic_i^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_i^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{i-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_i^{\downarrow} - ic_{i-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_i^{\uparrow} + h.c.) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (-ic_k^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} + ic_k^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{k-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_k^{\downarrow} + ic_{k-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_k^{\uparrow} + h.c.) \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (-G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow}) + (-G_{i,i-1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{i-1,i}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - G_{i,i-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} + G_{i-1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (G_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}) + (G_{k,k-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k-1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k,k-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k-1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow}) \right] \\
&= J_{xy}^{i,i+1} + J_{xy}^{i-1,i} + J_{zy}^{k,k+1} + J_{zy}^{k-1,k}. \tag{363}
\end{aligned}$$

For  $S_z$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_z, \hat{H}_{so}]_{j=b} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} [(c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} - c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}), \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)]] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \left[ c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] \right. \\
&\quad - \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \\
&\quad - c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + h.c.)] c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \left[ c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] \right. \\
&\quad - \sum_{ln} [(ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} - ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\uparrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{l+1n}^{\uparrow})] c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} \\
&\quad - c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (-ic_{ln+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow})] \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{ln} [(-ic_{l+1n}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow} + ic_{ln}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow}) + (ic_{ln}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{l+1n}^{\downarrow} - ic_{l+1n}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ln}^{\downarrow})] c_{ijk}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow}) + (c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow}) - (c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) + (c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\uparrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{i-1n}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow}) + (c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow}) + (-c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) + (c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (-c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik}^{\uparrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow} - c_{i+1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) + (c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow} + c_{i-1k}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik}^{\uparrow} + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow} + c_{i-1k}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) + (-c_{ik}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow} - c_{ik-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow} + c_{ik-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{ik}^{\downarrow}) \right]. \tag{364}
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{i\hbar}[S_z, \hat{H}_{so}]_{j=b} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} \left[ (-c_i^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} + h.c.) + (c_{i-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_i^{\uparrow} + c_{i-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_i^{\downarrow} + h.c.) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (c_k^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} - c_k^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.) + (c_{k-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}c_k^{\downarrow} - c_{k-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}c_k^{\uparrow} + h.c.) \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \left[ (-G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}) + (G_{i,i-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{i-1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{i,i-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} + G_{i-1,i}^{\downarrow\downarrow}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (G_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}) + (G_{k,k-1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k-1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k,k-1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k-1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow}) \right] \\
&= J_{xz}^{i,i+1} - J_{xz}^{i-1,i} + J_{zz}^{k,k+1} + J_{zz}^{k-1,k} \\
&= \Delta J_{xz}^i + J_{zz}^{k,k+1} + J_{zz}^{k-1,k}. \tag{365}
\end{aligned}$$



Summarizing we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{xz}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} (-G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}), \\
J_{zz}^{k,k+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} (G_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow}), \\
J_{xy}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (-G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow}), \\
J_{zy}^{k,k+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (G_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow}), \\
J_{xx}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} (G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\uparrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\downarrow} + G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\downarrow}), \\
J_{zx}^{k,k+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} (G_{k+1,k}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{k+1,k}^{\downarrow\downarrow} + G_{k,k+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}).
\end{aligned} \tag{366}$$

Let's check each term, for example we notice that  $J_{xz}^{i,i+1} \equiv -J_{zx}^{k,k+1}$  and  $J_{zz}^{k,k+1} \equiv J_{xx}^{i,i+1}$ . Reexpressing in terms of creation and annihilation operators we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{xz}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (-c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\downarrow}) = \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (-c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} - c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} + h.c.), \\
J_{zz}^{k,k+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} - c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\downarrow} - c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\uparrow}) = \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} - c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.), \\
J_{xy}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (-ic_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} + ic_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - ic_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + ic_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\uparrow}) = \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (-ic_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.), \\
J_{zy}^{k,k+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (ic_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow} - ic_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + ic_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow}) = \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (ic_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} - ic_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.), \\
J_{xx}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - c_{i+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_i^{\downarrow} - c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + c_{i+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_i^{\uparrow}) = \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (c_i^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{i+1}^{\downarrow} - c_i^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{i+1}^{\uparrow} + h.c.), \\
J_{zx}^{k,k+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + c_{k+1}^{\dagger\uparrow} c_k^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} + c_{k+1}^{\dagger\downarrow} c_k^{\downarrow}) = \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4a} (c_k^{\dagger\uparrow} c_{k+1}^{\uparrow} + c_k^{\dagger\downarrow} c_{k+1}^{\downarrow} + h.c.).
\end{aligned} \tag{367}$$

Finally our spin density continuity equation reads,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{S}}{dt} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{m} + \mathbf{J}_{so}. \tag{368}$$

For each spin density component we have,

$$\frac{dS_x}{dt} = -\nabla_x J_{xx}^i - \nabla_y J_{yx}^j - \nabla_z J_{zx}^k - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_z S_y - m_y S_z) + J_{xx,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xx,so}^{i-1,i} + \nabla_z J_{zx,so}^k, \tag{369}$$

$$\frac{dS_y}{dt} = -\nabla_x J_{xy}^i - \nabla_y J_{yy}^j - \nabla_z J_{zy}^k - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_x S_z - m_z S_x) + J_{xy,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xy,so}^{i-1,i} + J_{zy,so}^{k,k+1} + J_{zy,so}^{k-1,k}, \tag{370}$$

$$\frac{dS_z}{dt} = -\nabla_x J_{xz}^i - \nabla_y J_{yz}^j - \nabla_z J_{zz}^k - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_y S_x - m_x S_y) + \nabla J_{xz,so}^i + J_{zz,so}^{k,k+1} + J_{zz,so}^{k-1,k}. \tag{371}$$

In absence of spin-orbit coupling and transport given along  $y$  the equations reduce to

$$0 = -\nabla_y J_{yx}^j - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_z S_y - m_y S_z), \tag{372}$$

$$0 = -\nabla_y J_{yy}^j - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_x S_z - m_z S_x), \tag{373}$$

$$0 = -\nabla_y J_{yz}^j - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_y S_x - m_x S_y), \tag{374}$$

where the torque applied on  $\mathbf{m}$  reduces to the divergence of the spin current density. In the presence of spin-orbit coupling a transverse anomalous charge current is present, giving rise to a transverse spin current density. Considering a 2D system on the  $xz$  plane our equations simplify to

$$0 = -\nabla_x J_{xx}^i - \nabla_y J_{yx}^j - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_z S_y - m_y S_z) + J_{xx,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xx,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (375)$$

$$0 = -\nabla_x J_{xy}^i - \nabla_y J_{yy}^j - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_x S_z - m_z S_x) + J_{xy,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xy,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (376)$$

$$0 = -\nabla_x J_{xz}^i - \nabla_y J_{yz}^j - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} (m_y S_x - m_x S_y) + \nabla_x J_{xz,so}^i. \quad (377)$$

If our magnetic insulator has a fixed magnetization along  $z$ , i.e.,  $m_z = 1$ , we have

$$\nabla_y J_{yx}^j = -\nabla_x J_{xx}^i - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} S_y + J_{xx,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xx,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (378)$$

$$\nabla_y J_{yy}^j = -\nabla_x J_{xy}^i + \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} S_x + J_{xy,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xy,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (379)$$

$$\nabla_y J_{yz}^j = \nabla_x (J_{xz,so}^i - J_{xz}^i). \quad (380)$$

The first two equations vanish as there is no spin accumulation given along  $x$  or  $y$ . Then, our spin current incident along  $y$  gives rise to a spin current transverse along  $z$ , even in absence of a magnetic layer. If our magnetic insulator has a fixed magnetization along  $x$ , i.e.,  $m_x = 1$ , we have

$$\nabla_y J_{yx}^j = -\nabla_x J_{xx}^i + J_{xx,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xx,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (381)$$

$$\nabla_y J_{yy}^j = -\nabla_x J_{xy}^i - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} S_z + J_{xy,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xy,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (382)$$

$$\nabla_y J_{yz}^j = -\nabla_x J_{xz}^i + \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} S_y + \nabla_x J_{xz,so}^i. \quad (383)$$

In this case likely no spin current is present. If our magnetic insulator has a fixed magnetization along  $y$ , i.e.,  $m_y = 1$ , we have

$$0 = -\nabla_x J_{xx}^i - \nabla_y J_{yx}^j + \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} S_z + J_{xx,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xx,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (384)$$

$$0 = -\nabla_x J_{xy}^i - \nabla_y J_{yy}^j + J_{xy,so}^{i,i+1} + J_{xy,so}^{i-1,i}, \quad (385)$$

$$0 = -\nabla_x J_{xz}^i - \nabla_y J_{yz}^j - \frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} S_x + \nabla_x J_{xz,so}^i. \quad (386)$$

### A. Total spin current density

We notice that only  $J_{xz,so}$  gives a real solution to the spin current density; therefore we have,

$$\begin{aligned} J_{xz,so}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4at} (-G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\downarrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}), \\ J_{xz}^{i,i+1} &= \frac{t}{2} (G_{i+1,i}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i,i+1}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{i+1,i}^{\downarrow\downarrow} + G_{i,i+1}^{\downarrow\downarrow}). \end{aligned} \quad (387)$$

Taking advantage of translational invariance along the  $x$ -axis, we Fourier transform all quantities to  $G_{i,i'}^< \equiv G_{i,i'}^<(\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, E)$  with  $\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} = (k_x, k_z)$  as

$$\hat{G}_{ij,k,i'j'k'}^< = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int G_{j,j'}^< e^{i(k_x(i-i') + k_z(k-k'))} d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}. \quad (388)$$

For the spin current density we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{xz,so}^{ijk,i+1jk} &= \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int (-G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} e^{ik_x} - G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} e^{-ik_x} - G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow} e^{ik_x} - G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow} e^{-ik_x}) d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}, \\
J_{xz}^{ijk,i+1jk} &= \frac{t}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int (G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} e^{ik_x} - G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} e^{-ik_x} - G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow} e^{ik_x} + G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow} e^{-ik_x}) d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}.
\end{aligned} \tag{389}$$

Upon integrating over the energy,  $\int \frac{dE}{2\pi}$ , the total spin current reads,

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle J_{xz,so} \rangle &= \sum_j \left[ \frac{\lambda_{so}}{4ai} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int (-2 \cos k_x G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} - 2 \cos k_x G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow}) dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \right], \\
\langle J_{xz,norm} \rangle &= \sum_j \left[ \frac{t}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int (2i \sin k_x G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} - 2i \sin k_x G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow}) dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{390}$$

Simplifying,

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle J_{xz,so} \rangle &= \sum_j \left[ i \frac{\lambda_{so}}{2a} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int \cos k_x [G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} + G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \right], \\
\langle J_{xz,norm} \rangle &= \sum_j \left[ i \frac{t}{(2\pi)^3} \int \int \sin k_x [G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow}] dE d\mathbf{k}_{\parallel} \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{391}$$

## B. Total spin density and total torque

The Rashba field transverse to the magnetic vector can generate a torque on it. In absence of spin-orbit coupling the torque is the divergence of the spin current density, however, in the presence of Rashba this is no longer the case. Instead, we compute directly the local spin density to calculate the torque given by,  $\frac{2\Delta}{\hbar} \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{m} = (S_y m_z - S_z m_y, S_z m_x - S_x m_z, S_x m_y - S_y m_x)$  with

$$S_x = \frac{\hbar}{2} (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}), \tag{392}$$

$$S_y = \frac{i\hbar}{2} (-c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow} + c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow}), \tag{393}$$

$$S_z = \frac{\hbar}{2} (c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\uparrow} c_{ijk}^{\uparrow} - c_{ijk}^{\uparrow\downarrow} c_{ijk}^{\downarrow}). \tag{394}$$

Considering the lesser Green's function we have

$$S_x = -i \frac{\hbar}{2} (G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\downarrow}), \tag{395}$$

$$S_y = \frac{\hbar}{2} (-G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\downarrow}), \tag{396}$$

$$S_z = -i \frac{\hbar}{2} (G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow}). \tag{397}$$

Therefore the total spin density reads,

$$S_x = -i \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_j (G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\downarrow}), \tag{398}$$

$$S_y = \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_j (-G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\uparrow} + G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\downarrow}), \tag{399}$$

$$S_z = -i \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_j (G_{jj}^{<\uparrow\uparrow} - G_{jj}^{<\downarrow\downarrow}). \tag{400}$$

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