Quantum conduction through two narrow half-metallic leads with opposite spin coupled to a superconductor

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