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**Quantum spin metal state on a decorated honeycomb lattice** KONSTANTIN TIKHONOV, Texas A&M Univ., MIKHAIL FEIGEL'MAN, Landau ITP — We present a modification of exactly solvable spin-(1/2) Kitaev model on the decorated honeycomb lattice, with a ground state of “spin metal” type. The model is diagonalized in terms of Majorana fermions; the latter form a 2D gapless state with a Fermi-circle whose size depends on the ratio of exchange couplings. Low-temperature heat capacity  $C(T)$  and dynamic spin susceptibility  $\chi(\omega, T)$  are calculated in the case of small Fermi-circle. Whereas  $C(T) \sim T$  at low temperatures as it is expected for a Fermi-liquid, spin excitations are gapful and  $\chi(\omega, T)$  demonstrate unusual behavior with a power-law peak near the resonance frequency. The corresponding exponent as well as the peak shape are calculated.

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