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Magnon spin texture in momentum space<sup>1</sup> NOBUYUKI OKUMA, Department of Physics, University of Tokyo — A Magnon plays a central role in recent spintronics. In a ferromagnet, magnons are bosons with spin 1, and the current of the magnons can be interpreted as a spin current. More recently, magnons in other magnetic structures such as antiferromagnets have attracted much attention and been expected to have new properties. In this study, we consider the momentumdependence of magnon spin moment. In some electron systems such as a topological insulator surface state, electron spin moment depends on the electron momentum (spin-momentum locking). We generalize the notion of the momentum-dependence of spin moment to the magnonic systems. We define the momentum-dependent spin for general magnon Hamiltonians. As an example, we consider the magnon spin texture in momentum space for a kagome lattice antiferromagnet. When the system has arotational symmetry, spin moment has no momentum-dependence since spin is a good quantum number. To break the rotational symmetry, we consider the Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya term, which plays an important role in a realized kagome lattice antiferromagnet, adding to the Heisenberg Hamiltonian. Using the definition, we obtain three magnon bands: two dispersive bands with and without spin texture, and the flat band with spin texture.

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