

# Lectures on Duality in Condensed Matter Physics (1)

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Outline

- \* Electromagnetic Duality and the duality of forces
- \* Ising Models: Kramers-Wannier dualities
- \* Gauge theory and duality
- \* Vortices and Monopoles
- \* Particle - Vortex duality
- \* Boson-Fermion mappings as duality
- \* Duality and the Fractional Quantum Hall Effect

# Electromagnetic Duality (Dirac, 1931)

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$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho, \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \vec{j}, \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0$$

\* EM Duality:  $\vec{E} \leftrightarrow \vec{B}$  (if  $\rho = 0$  and  $\vec{j} = 0$ )

\* electric charge  $e \leftrightarrow$  magnetic monopole  $m$

\* Dirac quantization:  $em = 2\pi$

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = j^\nu; \quad \partial^\mu F_{\mu\nu}^* = 0; \quad F_{\mu\nu}^* \equiv \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} F^{\lambda\sigma}$$

$\uparrow$  field tensor       $\uparrow$  charge current       $\uparrow$  Bianchi Identity       $\uparrow$  dual field

\* Bianchi Identity  $\Leftrightarrow$  absence of magnetic monopoles

## Duality of Forms

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- \* Electromagnetic duality is geometric
  - \* In Differential Geometry a vector field  $A_\mu$  is a 1-form
  - \* The field tensor  $F_{\mu\nu}$  is a 2-form
  - \* The dual field  $F^*_{\mu\nu}$  is also a 2-form
  - \* In  $d$ -dimensions a  $p$ -form (antisymmetric tensor of rank  $p$ ) is dual to a  $d-p$  form
  - \* In  $d=4$  dimensions a 2-form is dual to a 2-form
  - \* In  $d=2$  dimensions a 1-form is dual to a 1-form
- $\partial_\mu \phi = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu \psi$  Cauchy-Riemann!

# Duality in Ising Models

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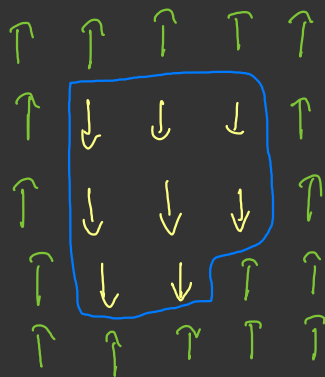
\* 2D: the Ising Model is (1941)  
self-dual (Kramers - Wannier)

\* Low T:  $Z$  is an expansion  
in closed domain wall  
loops; weight  $\sim e^{-2/T} \times \text{length}$

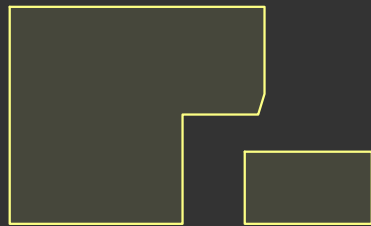
\* High T:  $Z$  is an expansion  
in closed loops  
weight  $\sim \tanh(1/T) \times \text{length}$

\* Maps high T  $\leftrightarrow$  low T  
disorder  $\leftrightarrow$  order

\* self-dual:  $e^{-2/T_c} = \tanh(1/T_c)$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{T_c} = \frac{1}{2} \ln(\sqrt{2}+1)$  (Onsager, 1944)



domain walls  
(low T)



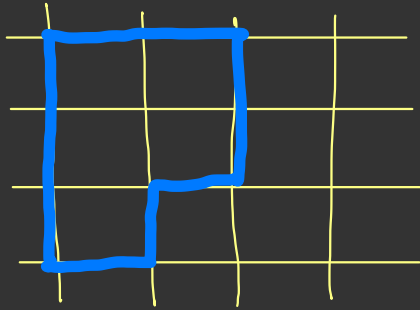
high T  
expansion  
diagrams

$$Z = \sum_{[\sigma]} e^{\frac{1}{T} \sum_{\langle x, x' \rangle} \sigma(x) \sigma(x')}$$

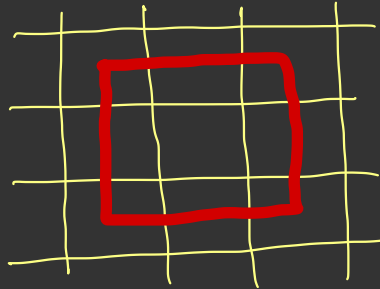
$$Z_{DW} [e^{-\frac{2}{T}}] = Z_{\text{loops}} \left[ \tanh \frac{1}{T} \right]$$

\* The high- $T_c$  loops live on the direct lattice

\* The low- $T_c$  loops (domain walls) live on the dual lattice

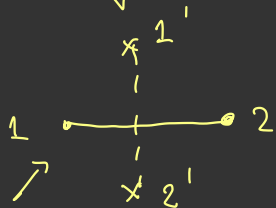


direct loops



dual loops (domain walls)

dual lattice



direct lattice

In 2d { links are dual to links  
sites are dual to plaquettes

This is the same as the duality of fermions

$$\text{High } T: Z = \sum_{\{\text{loops}\}} \left( \tanh \frac{1}{T} \right)^{L(\text{loops})} \#$$

$$\text{Low } T: Z = \sum_{\{\text{domain walls}\}} \left( e^{-\frac{2}{T}} \right)^{L(\text{DW})} \#$$

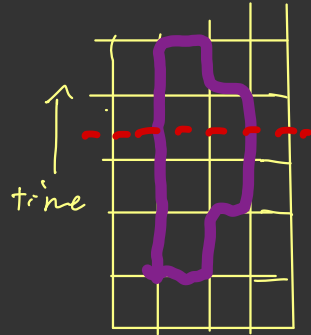
# Field Theory Interpretation

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\* We can regard the P.F.  $Z$  as a sum over histories of spin configurations from one row to the next row

\* Path integral in a discretized imaginary time

\* High  $T$  expansion loops  $\Leftrightarrow$  processes in which pairs of particles are created and destroyed



\* Low  $T$  expansion loops  $\Leftrightarrow$  processes in which pairs of domain walls are created and destroyed

\* Analog of the (imaginary) time evolution operator is the transfer matrix

\* The classical  $d$ -dimensional Ising Model is equivalent to a quantum Ising Model in  $d-1$  dimensions

# The Quantum Ising Model (EF & L. Susskind)

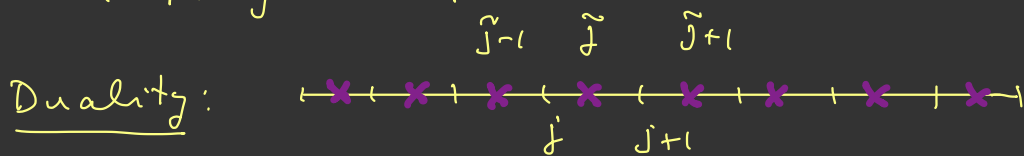
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$d=1$

$$H = - \sum_j \sigma_1(j) - \lambda \sum_j \sigma_3(j) \sigma_3(j+1) \quad \text{PBC's}$$

- (a)  $\lambda$  small  $\Leftrightarrow$  T high  $\Leftrightarrow$  disorder  
 (b)  $\lambda$  large  $\Leftrightarrow$  T low  $\Leftrightarrow$  order

Global  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry:  $Q = \prod_j \sigma_1(j)$ ;  $[Q, H] = 0$   
 flipping all spins



dual lattice: midpoints

$$\tau_1(\tilde{j}) = \sigma_3(j) \sigma_3(j+1); \quad \tau_3(\tilde{j}) = \prod_{n \leq j} \sigma_1(n)$$

← creates domain walls

$$\tau_3(\tilde{j}-1) \tau_3(\tilde{j}) = \sigma_1(j); \quad \tau_1^2 = \tau_3^2 = 1, \quad \{\tau_1, \tau_3\} = 0$$

$$H = - \sum_{\tilde{j}} \tau_3(\tilde{j}) \tau_3(\tilde{j}+1) - \lambda \sum_{\tilde{j}} \tau_1(\tilde{j})$$

duality  $\lambda \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda} \implies$  self duality  $\lambda = 1$  (Onsager)



# Dual of the $D=3$ Classical Ising Model

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- \* The high  $T$  expansion is a sum over loop configurations
- \* The low  $T$  expansion is a sum over domain wall configs.
- \* In  $D=3$  the domain walls are closed surfaces  
↳ domain wall

↑  
time



A domain wall config. can be pictured as the time evolution of a closed string on the

dual lattice

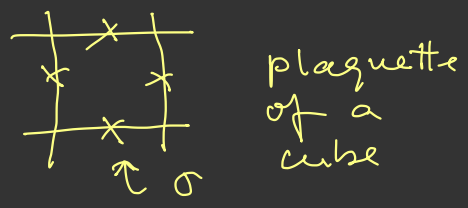
⇒ the dual model at low  $\tilde{T}$  is a sum over loops and at high  $\tilde{T}$  is a sum over closed surfaces

# The D=3 Ising Gauge Theory (Wegner 1971) (10)

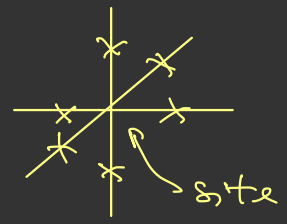
$\mathbb{Z}_2$  gauge fields on the links  $\{\sigma_\mu\}$   
 Interactions on plaquettes

$$\sigma_\mu = \pm 1$$

$$Z = \sum_{\{\sigma_\mu\}} \exp\left(\frac{1}{T} \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \sigma\sigma\sigma\sigma\right)$$



Gauge invariance: Flip all  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  gauge fields that share a site

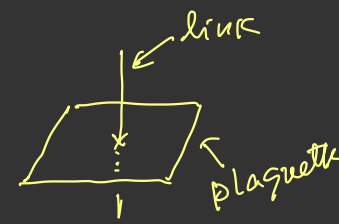


High T  $\Rightarrow$  sum over closed surfaces surface with a weight  $(\tanh \frac{1}{T})$

Low T  $\Rightarrow$  sum over closed loops of the dual lattice

This is the dual of the D=3 Ising Model

In D=3 links are dual to plaquettes (1 form  $\Leftrightarrow$  2 form)



# Observables

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## 3D Ising Model

Correlator  $\langle \sigma(x) \sigma(x') \rangle$

\* high  $T \sim e^{-|x-x'|/\xi}$

disorder

\* low  $T \sim |\langle \sigma \rangle|^2 + e^{-|x-x'|/\xi}$

Long range order

Wilson Loop: creates an open domain wall (defect)

Area law in the ordered phase  
Perimeter law in the disordered phase

## 3D $\mathbb{Z}_2$ gauge theory

Wilson loop  $\langle \prod_{\gamma} \sigma \rangle$ ;  $\partial \Sigma = \gamma$

$\gamma$ : closed loop

\* high  $T^* \sim \exp(-\text{Area}(\Sigma))$

confinement

\* low  $T^* \sim \exp(-\text{length}(\gamma))$

deconfinement

Correlator: creates an open

$\mathbb{Z}_2$  flux tube ending at two "monopoles"

Confinement  $\Leftrightarrow$  monopole condensation

Ising Model

$$H = - \sum_{\vec{r}} \sigma_1(\vec{r}) - \lambda \sum_{\langle \vec{r}, \vec{r}' \rangle} \sigma_3(\vec{r}) \sigma_3(\vec{r}')$$

Global  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry

$$Q = \prod_{\text{sites}} \sigma_1(\text{sites})$$

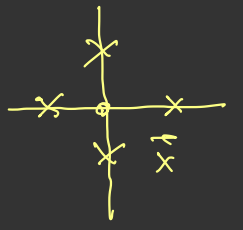
$\mathbb{Z}_2$  Gauge Theory

$$H = - \sum_{\text{links}} \sigma_1(\text{links}) - g \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \sigma_3 \sigma_3 \sigma_3 \sigma_3$$

Local (gauge)  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry

$$Q(\vec{x}) = \prod_{\text{links}} \sigma_1(\text{links})$$

links meet at share  $\vec{x}$  ("star")



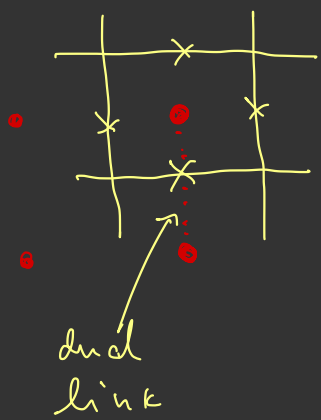
$$[Q(\vec{x}), Q(\vec{x}')] = 0$$

$$[Q(\vec{x}), H] = 0$$

Gauge Invariant states

$$Q(\vec{x}) | \text{Phys} \rangle = | \text{Phys} \rangle \quad \text{Gauss Law}$$

# Quantum version of Duality



$\prod \sigma_3 = \tau_1$  (dual site)  
plaquette

$\sigma_1$  (link) =  $\tau_3 \tau_3$  dual link

$\prod \sigma_1 = 1$   
star

⇒ The gauge invariant sector ( $\mathbb{Q}(\vec{x}) = 1$ ) of the  $\mathbb{Z}$  gauge theory with coupling  $g$  maps onto the 2+1 dim. Ising Model with coupling  $\lambda = \frac{1}{g}$

$H = - \sum_{\text{links}} \sigma_1 - g \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \sigma_3 \sigma_3 \sigma_1 \sigma_3 \longleftrightarrow H = - \sum \tau_3 \tau_3 - \lambda \sum \tau_1$   
duality

sites are dual to plaquettes, links are dual to links

# Physical Picture

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Confined Phase ( $g < g_c$ ) (use  $\sigma_i$  variables)

\*  $| \text{Gnd} \rangle = \sum_{\text{loops}} \# | \text{loop} \rangle$

↑ loops created by the plaquette operator

$\mathbb{Z}_2$  electric loops are small for  $g$  small

\* At  $g_c$  the loops proliferate

\* For  $g \gg g_c$  we approximate

$$H = - \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \sigma_3 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3$$

$$Q(x) = 1 \quad (\text{"Toric Code"})$$

\* On a torus it has a 4-fold degeneracy (Topological Phase)

\* The dual is  $H_{\text{Ising}} = - \sum_{\text{sites}} \tau_i \Rightarrow$  disordered phase (Kitaev, 1997)  
(unique state)

# Vortices and Monopoles

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We will discuss models with a (compact)  $U(1)$  symmetry.

Complex scalar  $\phi(x) = |\phi(x)| e^{i\theta(x)}$  ( $\theta$  defined mod  $2\pi$ )

Order parameter of an XY classical spin, superfluid  
or an incommensurate CDW

Global symmetry  $\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi(x) e^{i\alpha} \Leftrightarrow \theta(x) \rightarrow \theta(x) + \alpha$

Ordered phase ( $T$  low)  $|\phi(x)| \approx \phi_0$

$$Z \approx \int \mathcal{D}\theta(x) \exp\left(-\int d^2x \frac{1}{2g} (\vec{\nabla}\theta)^2\right) \quad \theta \approx \theta + 2\pi$$

$$g = T / J |\phi_0|^2, \quad \kappa = J |\phi_0|^2 = \text{stiffness}$$

# Vortices



$C$ : closed oriented path

Total change of phase on the closed path  $C$ :  $\frac{(\Delta\theta)_C}{2\pi}$

$$\frac{(\Delta\theta)_C}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint_C d\vec{x} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \Theta(x) = i \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} e^{i\Theta(\varphi)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} e^{-i\Theta(\varphi)} \equiv m$$

vorticity

$m$ : topological invariant under smooth deformations of  $C$

$\Theta(x)$  is a map of  $C \rightarrow$  phase field  $e^{i\Theta}$

$$\Rightarrow \Theta(x): \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{base}}}{S^1} \longrightarrow \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{target}}}{S^1} \quad \pi_1(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{homotopy class}$$

$m$ : winding number



Superfluid current  $j_\mu = \partial_\mu \Theta$

vorticity  $\omega(x) = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu j_\nu = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \Theta(x)$   
↑  
Levi-Civita

⇒  $\Theta(x)$  has a branch cut singularity across which it jumps by  $2\pi m$

\* set of vortices at locations  $\{\vec{x}_j\}$  with topological charges  $\{m_j\}$

⇒  $\omega(\vec{x}) = 2\pi \sum_j m_j \delta^2(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_j)$   
 $\equiv 2\pi \sum_j m_j \text{Im} \ln(z - z_j)$   $z = x_1 + ix_2$

Define  $\mathcal{D}$ , the Cauchy-Riemann dual  $\partial_\mu \mathcal{D} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \Theta$

⇒  $-\nabla^2 \mathcal{D} = \omega(x)$

$$\Rightarrow \theta(\vec{x}) = \int d^2y G(|\vec{x}-\vec{y}|) \omega(\vec{y})$$

$$-\nabla^2 G(\vec{x}-\vec{y}) = \delta^2(\vec{x}-\vec{y}) \quad \text{Green Function}$$

$$G(|\vec{x}-\vec{y}|) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{a}{|\vec{x}-\vec{y}|}\right)$$

UV cutoff  
s.t.  
 $G(|x-y|) = 0$   
if  $|\vec{x}-\vec{y}| < a$

Energy of the Config:

$$E[\theta] = \frac{J\phi_0^2}{2} \int d^2x (\nabla\theta)^2 = \frac{J\phi_0^2}{2} \int d^2x \int d^2y \omega(x) G(x-y) \omega(y)$$
$$= 2\pi J\phi_0^2 \sum_{j < k} m_j m_k \ln\left(\frac{a}{|x_j - x_k|}\right)$$

which is IR divergent unless  $\sum_j m_j = 0$  (zero total vorticity)

$$Z_{xy} \approx Z_{\text{Coulomb}} = \sum_{\{m_j\}} \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi|\phi_0|^2 J}{T} \sum_{j < k} m_j m_k \ln\left(\frac{a}{|x_j - x_k|}\right)\right)$$

# Kosterlitz - Thouless Transition

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At low  $T$  the vortices are bound in neutral pairs

The free energy of a vortex is

$$F_{\text{vortex}} = E_{\text{vortex}} - T S_{\text{vortex}}$$

$$E_{\text{vortex}} = \pi J |\phi_0|^2 \ln\left(\frac{L}{a}\right) \leftarrow \text{Energy (L: linear size of the system)}$$

$$S_{\text{vortex}} = \ln\left(\frac{L}{a}\right)^2 \leftarrow \text{Entropy}$$

$$F_{\text{vortex}}(T_{KT}) = 0 \iff T_{KT} = \frac{\pi}{2} J \phi_0^2$$

$T < T_{KT}$  vortices are suppressed

$T > T_{KT}$  vortices proliferate

## Alternative Picture

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Let  $A_\mu$  be a background  $U(1)$  gauge field

$$Z[A] = \int \mathcal{D}\theta \ e^{-\frac{1}{2g} \int d^2x (\partial_\mu \theta - A_\mu)^2}$$

Let  $A_\mu$  represent a vortex field  $\epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu A_\nu = \omega(x)$

Hubbard-Stratonovich:

$$Z[A] = \int \mathcal{D}\theta \mathcal{D}a_\mu \ e^{-\frac{g}{2} \int d^2x a_\mu^2 + i \int d^2x a_\mu (\partial_\mu \theta - A_\mu)} \Rightarrow a_\mu = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \vartheta$$

$$Z[A] = \int \mathcal{D}\vartheta \ e^{-\frac{g}{2} \int d^2x (\partial_\mu \vartheta)^2 + i \int d^2x \vartheta \omega} \quad \text{with } \int d^2x \omega = 0$$

Duality:  $\theta \leftrightarrow \vartheta$  and  $g \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{g}$

Summing over vortices with core energy  $u m^2$

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$$Z = \sum_{\{m_j\}} \int \mathcal{D}\vartheta \exp \left[ -\frac{g}{2} \int d^2x (\partial_\mu \vartheta)^2 + i \sum_j 2\pi m_j \vartheta(x_j) - \frac{u}{T} \sum_j m_j^2 \right]$$

$z = e^{-u/T} \ll 1 \Rightarrow$  only  $m_j = 0, \pm 1$  contribute

$$\Rightarrow Z = \int \mathcal{D}\vartheta \exp \left[ -\int d^2x \left[ \frac{g}{2} (\partial_\mu \vartheta)^2 - v \cos(2\pi \vartheta) \right] \right] \quad \text{Sine-Gordon}$$

$$v = 2z/a^2$$

vortex correlator:  $\langle e^{2\pi i \vartheta(x)} e^{-2\pi i \vartheta(y)} \rangle = \frac{\text{const.}}{|x-y|^{2\pi/g}}$

$\Rightarrow$  scaling dimension  $\Delta_{\text{vortex}} = \pi/g$

$\Rightarrow$  vortices are relevant if  $\Delta_{\text{vortex}} < d = 2 \Rightarrow g_c = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$\Rightarrow$  KT transition

\*  $\langle e^{i\theta(x)} e^{-i\theta(y)} \rangle = \frac{\text{const}}{|x-y|^{g/2\pi}} \Rightarrow \frac{g}{2\pi} = \frac{T}{2\pi^2 \phi_0^2} \leq \frac{1}{4}$  for all  $T < T_{KT}$   
Power law decay

# Magnetic monopoles in Compact QED $d=3$

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(Euclidean spacetime)

Dirac monopole  $B_i(x) = \frac{g}{2} \frac{x_i}{r} - 2\pi g \delta_{i,3} \delta(x_1) \delta(x_2) \Theta(-x_3)$

↑  
Dirac string

Lattice model (Polyakov, 1977)

$$Z = \int \prod_{\text{links}} dA_\mu \exp\left(\frac{i}{4e^2} \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \cos F_{\mu\nu}\right)$$

$F_{\mu\nu}$ : flux through a plaquette

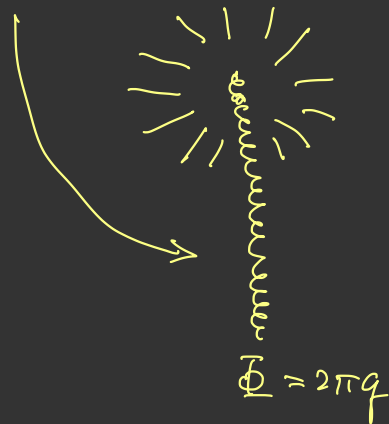
$$F_{\mu\nu} = \Delta_\mu A_\nu - \Delta_\nu A_\mu$$

Gauge invariance:  $A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + \Delta_\mu \Phi(x)$

Periodicity:  $A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + 2\pi l_\mu, l_\mu \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\prod_{\text{cube faces}} e^{i F_{\mu\nu}} = 1 \quad (\text{Bianchi Identity})$$

$\Rightarrow$  allows for monopoles with  $g \in \mathbb{Z}$



We will follow the same approach we used with vortices (21)

$\Rightarrow B_{\mu\nu}$  is a background 2-form field ( $B_{\mu\nu} = -B_{\nu\mu}$ )  
(Kalb-Ramond)

$$Z[B_{\mu\nu}] = \int \mathcal{D}A_{\mu} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4e^2} \int d^2x (F_{\mu\nu} - B_{\mu\nu})^2\right)$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu}; \quad A_{\mu} \rightarrow A_{\mu} + \partial_{\mu} \Phi; \quad B_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow B_{\mu\nu}$$

We also have  $A_{\mu} \rightarrow A_{\mu} + a_{\mu}, \quad B_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow B_{\mu\nu} + \partial_{\mu} a_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} a_{\mu}$   
(1-form gauge transf.)

$$\text{Monopole density: } \mathcal{M}(x) = 2\pi \sum_j m_j \delta^3(x - x_j)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_{\mu} B_{\nu\lambda}$$

$$Z[B] = \int \mathcal{D}A_{\mu} \mathcal{D}b_{\mu\nu} \exp\left(-\frac{e^2}{2} \int d^3x b_{\mu\nu}^2 + i \int d^3x \frac{1}{2} b_{\mu\nu} (F_{\mu\nu} - B_{\mu\nu})\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_{\nu} b_{\mu\nu} = 0 \Rightarrow b_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_{\lambda} \vartheta \quad (\text{compact scalar})$$

invariant under  $\vartheta \rightarrow \vartheta + \alpha$  ( $\alpha; \text{Gupt mod } 2\pi$ )

$$\Rightarrow Z[B] = \int D\vartheta \exp\left(-\frac{e^2}{2} \int d^3x (\partial_\mu \vartheta)^2 + 2\pi i \sum_j m_j \vartheta(j)\right) \quad (22)$$

$$\Rightarrow Z = \sum_{\{m_j\}} Z[\{m_j\}] \equiv \int D\vartheta \exp\left(-\int d^3x \left(\frac{e^2}{2} (\partial_\mu \vartheta)^2 - v \cos 2\pi \vartheta\right)\right)$$

$$v = 2 \exp(-u) / a^3 \quad (u: \text{core energy})$$

since - border!  
but  $d=3$

Monopole correlator

$$\langle e^{i2\pi\vartheta(x)} e^{-i2\pi\vartheta(y)} \rangle = \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{2e^2} \left[\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{a}\right]\right) \quad R = |x-y|$$

$\rightarrow$  const

$\Rightarrow$  Monopoles proliferate for all  $e^2 \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow$  In  $d=3$  the energy  $< \infty$  but the entropy  $\sim \ln\left(\frac{L}{a}\right)^3 \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow$  confinement by monopole condensation

Wilson loop:  $W_\gamma = \langle e^{i \oint_\gamma dx_\mu A_\mu} \rangle$  has an area law  $\Rightarrow$  confinement  
(Polyakov, 1977)



# Higgs, Confinement and Topology ( $d=3$ )

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Consider a theory of complex order parameter of charge  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  coupled to a dynamical  $U(1)$  (compact) gauge field

Order Parameter field  $e^{i\theta(x)}$ ,  $A_\mu$  gauge field

$n=2$  is (with some caveats) the case of a superconductor

Lattice model:  $\theta(x)$  on sites and  $A_\mu$  on links

$$Z = \prod_{\text{sites}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} \prod_{\text{links}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dA_\mu}{2\pi} \exp(S(\theta, A_\mu))$$

$$S = \beta \sum_{\text{links}} \cos(\Delta_\mu \theta - n A_\mu) + \frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \cos(F_{\mu\nu})$$

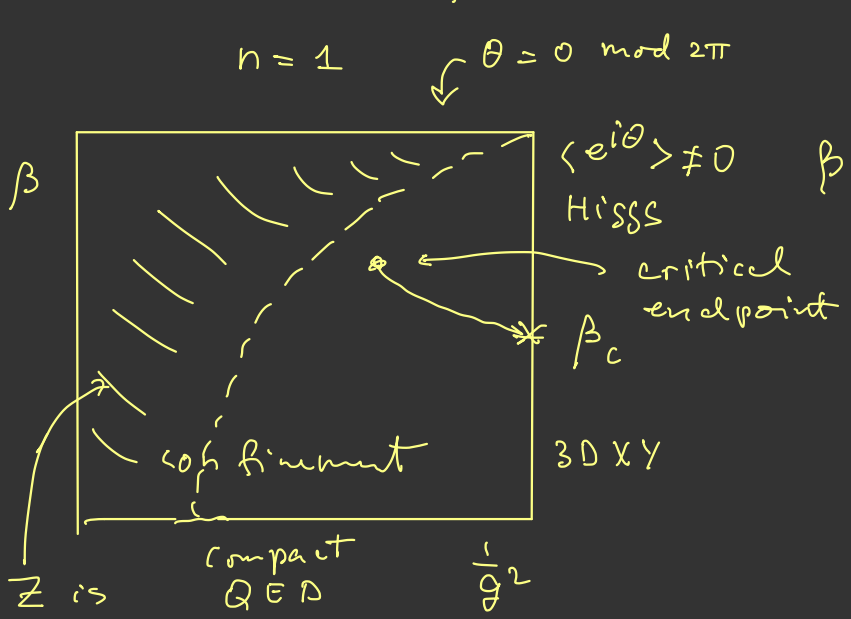
$g \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow F_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow 0 \pmod{2\pi} \Rightarrow$  3D XY model  $\Rightarrow$  "Higgs" for  $\beta$  large

$\beta \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$  Polyakov's QED  $\Rightarrow$  confinement

Q1: How are the Higgs and confinement limits related?

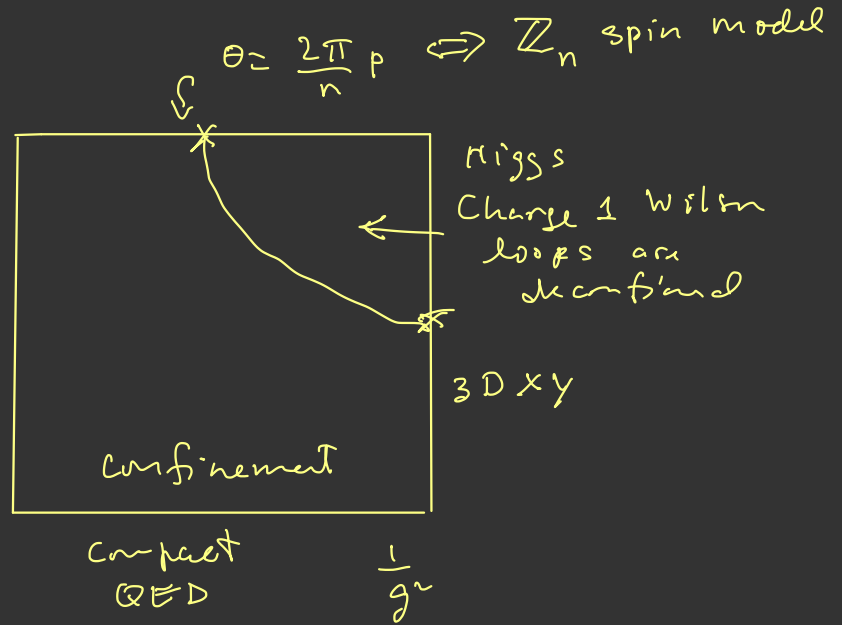
Q2: Are they different phases

Answer: it depends on  $(n)$  (EF & S. Shenker 1979)



analytic  
No phase transition

Higgs and Confinement  
are the same phase



Charge 1 Wilson loops are deconfined

Consider the deconfined phase  $n > 1$

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}\theta \mathcal{D}A_\mu \exp \left( - \int d^3x \left[ \frac{\beta}{2} (\partial_\mu \theta - n A_\mu)^2 - \frac{1}{4g^2} F_{\mu\nu}^2 \right] \right)$$

for  $\beta \gg 1$

Hubbard - Stratonovich

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}\theta \mathcal{D}A_\mu \mathcal{D}a_\mu \exp \left( - \int d^3x \frac{1}{2\beta} a_\mu^2 + i \int a_\mu (\partial_\mu \theta - n A_\mu) - \int \frac{1}{4g^2} F_{\mu\nu}^2 \right)$$

Integrate  $\theta$  out  $\Rightarrow \partial_\mu a_\mu = 0 \Rightarrow a_\mu = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu b_\lambda$

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}b_\mu \mathcal{D}A_\mu \exp \left( i n \int d^3x A_\mu \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu b_\lambda - \int d^3x \frac{1}{4\beta} a_{\mu\nu}^2 - \int d^3x \frac{1}{4g^2} F_{\mu\nu}^2 \right)$$

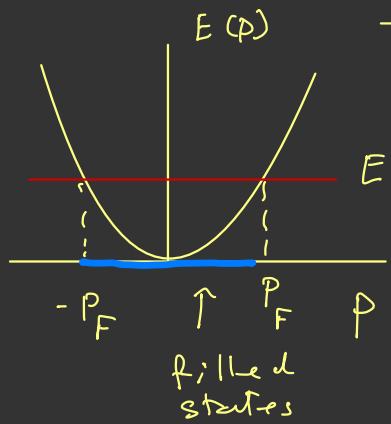
$\beta \rightarrow \infty$  and  $g \rightarrow 0$  only the "BF" term survives

This is a topological term  $\Rightarrow$  The deconfined phase is topological  $\neq$  Higgs

For  $n=2 \Rightarrow$  Toric Code

There is never a Higgs phase

# Fermions in one-dimension



$$E(p) \approx v_F (p - p_F) - v_F (p + p_F) + \dots$$

$$\Psi(x) \approx \psi_R(x) e^{ip_F x} + \psi_L(x) e^{-ip_F x}$$

$\rho$  density  $\rho(x) = \Psi^\dagger(x) \Psi(x)$

$$\approx \bar{\rho} + \psi_R^\dagger \psi_R + \psi_L^\dagger \psi_L + \psi_R^\dagger \psi_L e^{i2p_F x} + \psi_L^\dagger \psi_R e^{-i2p_F x}$$

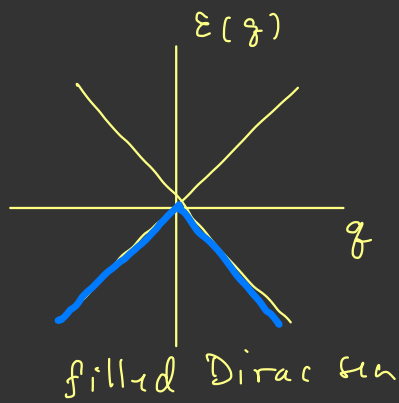
slowly varying density:  $j_0 \equiv \psi_R^\dagger \psi_R + \psi_L^\dagger \psi_L \equiv \rho_R + \rho_L$

slowly varying current:  $j_1 \equiv \psi_R^\dagger \psi_R - \psi_L^\dagger \psi_L \equiv \rho_R - \rho_L$

$\psi_R^\dagger(x) \psi_L(x) \equiv$  Order parameter of a CDW with  $Q = 2p_F$ ; complex field

If  $\langle \psi_R^\dagger \psi_L + \psi_L^\dagger \psi_R \rangle \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  energy gap at  $p = \pm p_F$

The density, current and the CDW O.P. are invariant under the global  $U(1)$  gauge transformation  $\Psi(x) \rightarrow \Psi'(x) = e^{i\theta} \Psi(x)$



$q = p - p_F$  etc.

$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_R \\ \psi_L \end{pmatrix}$  Dirac spinor

$$\mathcal{H} = -v_F \left( \psi_R^\dagger i \partial_x \psi_R - v_F \psi_L^\dagger i \partial_x \psi_L \right)$$

2x2 Dirac  $\gamma$ -matrices

$$\gamma_0 = \sigma_1, \quad \gamma_1 = -i\sigma_2, \quad \gamma_5 = \sigma_3, \quad \{ \gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu \} = 2g_{\mu\nu}; \quad g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Dirac Lagrangian density  $\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi} i \gamma_\mu \partial^\mu \psi$ ;  $\bar{\psi} = \psi^\dagger \gamma_0$

It has two continuous symmetries

\*  $\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi'(x) = e^{i\theta} \psi(x) \Rightarrow \psi_R' = e^{i\theta} \psi_R, \psi_L' = e^{i\theta} \psi_L$  (gauge)

\*  $\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi'(x) = e^{i\gamma_5 \theta} \psi(x) \Rightarrow \psi_R' = e^{+i\theta} \psi_R, \psi_L' = e^{-i\theta} \psi_L$  (chiral)

Q: How come we have two symmetries?

# Chiral Anomaly

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\* The massless Dirac theory has two global symmetries whereas the microscopic model has only one: gauge invariance,

\* In the massless Dirac theory  $\Psi_R$  and  $\Psi_L$  are separately conserved

\* Two currents: the gauge current  $j_\mu = \bar{\Psi} \gamma_\mu \Psi$ ,  $\partial_\mu j^\mu = 0$  and the chiral current  $j_\mu^5 = \bar{\Psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \Psi$ ;  $\partial_\mu j_\mu^5 = 0$

$$j_\mu = (j_R + j_L, j_R - j_L), \quad j_\mu^5 = (j_L - j_R, j_R + j_L)$$

\* If we couple the theory to a uniform electric field  $E$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dN_R}{dt} = \frac{e}{2\pi} E \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dN_L}{dt} = -\frac{e}{2\pi} E \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{electric charge is conserved}$$

But  $\frac{dQ_5}{dt} = \frac{e}{\pi} E \Rightarrow$  chiral charge is not conserved

(following H. Nielsen and Y. Ninomiya 1982)

This is the chiral anomaly

# Chiral Anomaly and Bosonization

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The normal-ordered gauge charge density  $j_0$  and current  $j_1$  satisfy the equal-time commutator

$$[j_0(x_1), j_1(x'_1)] = -\frac{i}{\pi} \partial_1 \delta(x_1 - x'_1)$$

$$[j_0(x_1), j_0(x'_1)] = [j_1(x_1), j_1(x'_1)] = 0$$

Matlis & Lieb, 1965

Luther & Emery, 1974

S. Coleman, 1975

E. Witten, 1978

Let  $\phi$  be a real scalar field and  $\Pi$  the conjugate momentum

$$\Rightarrow [\phi(x), \Pi(x')] = i \delta(x - x')$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{we identify } j_0(x) \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \partial_1 \phi, \quad j_1(x) \equiv -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \Pi(x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \partial_0 \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow j_\mu^S(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu \phi \quad (\text{duality!}) \Leftrightarrow \partial^\mu j_\mu^S = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{But } j_\mu^S = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} j^\nu \Rightarrow \partial^\mu j_\mu^S = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \partial^2 \phi \Rightarrow \partial^\mu j_\mu^S = 0 \Leftrightarrow \phi \text{ is a free field!}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2$$

## Coupling to a gauge field

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$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} i \gamma^M \partial_M \Psi - e A^M \bar{\Psi} \gamma_M \Psi$$

In the bosonic theory

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{e}{\sqrt{\pi}} A^\mu \varepsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eq. of motion} \quad -\partial^2 \phi = \frac{e}{\sqrt{\pi}} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu A^\mu \equiv \frac{e}{\sqrt{\pi}} F^* \quad (\text{dual "tensor"})$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial^\mu j_\mu^5 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \partial^2 \phi = \frac{e}{2\pi} F^* \quad \text{chiral anomaly!}$$

Total fermion #  $N_F \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$N_F = \int_0^L dx_1 \partial_0(x_0, x_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^L dx_1 \partial_\perp \phi(x_0, x_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} (\phi(x_0, L) - \phi(x_0, 0))$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x_1 + L) = \phi(x_1) + \sqrt{\pi} N_F \quad \Rightarrow \quad \phi \text{ is a } \underline{\text{compactified scalar}}$$

$$\phi(x+L) = \phi(x) + 2\pi R N \quad \Rightarrow \quad R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \underline{\text{compactification radius}}$$



# Operator Mappings

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\* compactification requires that the observables be invariant under  $\phi \rightarrow \phi + 2\pi n R$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\Rightarrow V_\alpha(\phi) = \exp(i\alpha\phi) \text{ is allowed if } \alpha = \frac{\eta}{R} = n\sqrt{4\pi}$$

$$\text{scaling dimension} = n^2$$

$$\phi = \phi_R + \phi_L, \quad \vartheta = -\phi_R + \phi_L, \quad \vartheta(x_0, x_1) = \int_{-x_0}^{x_1} dx'_i \Pi(x_0, x'_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_\mu \phi = \varepsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu \vartheta \quad (\text{Cauchy-Riemann})$$

Fermion Operators (Mandelstam, 1975)

$$\psi_R(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi a}} : \exp(i\sqrt{4\pi} \phi_R) : , \quad \psi_L(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi a}} : \exp(-i\sqrt{4\pi} \phi_L) :$$

$$\bar{\psi}\psi \equiv \psi_R^\dagger \psi_L + \psi_L^\dagger \psi_R \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi a} : \cos(\sqrt{4\pi} \phi) :$$

mass operators:  $i\bar{\psi}\gamma_5\psi \equiv i(\psi_R^\dagger \psi_L - \psi_L^\dagger \psi_R) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi a}} : \sin(\sqrt{4\pi} \phi) :$

} scaling dimension 1

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi} i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi - m \bar{\psi} \psi \leftrightarrow \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - g \cos(\sqrt{4\pi} \phi) \quad g = m/(2\pi a) \quad \text{Sine-Gordon!}$$

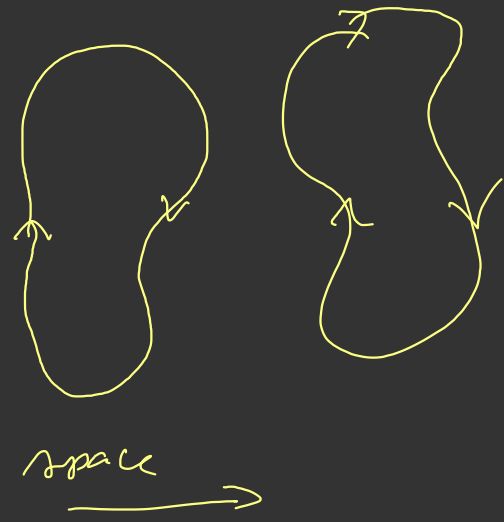
# 3D: Particle-Vortex duality

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(Peskin; Stone & Thomas; Dasgupta, Halperin) (~ 1978 - 1981)

- \* Global  $U(1)$  symmetry
- \* 3D XY model (superfluid)
- \* High  $T$ : gas of closed loops with short-range interactions (i.e. particle worldlines)
- \* Low  $T$ : closed vortex loops w/ Biot-Savart interactions
- \* Particle-vortex duality

imaginary  
time  $\uparrow$



# Simple derivation of 3D Particle-Vortex Duality

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\* We will follow the same procedure we used in 2D

\*  $\Theta(x)$ : phase field of a 3D complex field

\*  $A_\mu(x)$ : background gauge field that will create vortices

$$Z[A_\mu] = \int \mathcal{D}\Theta \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2g} \int d^3x (\partial_\mu \Theta - A_\mu)^2\right)$$

vorticity  $w_\mu(x) = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu A_\lambda \equiv 2\pi \sum_k l_\mu^k(x) \delta^3(x-x_k)$   
↑  
vortex loops

$$\partial_\mu w_\mu = 0 \iff \partial_\mu l_\mu^k = 0$$

Hubbard-Stratonovich

$$Z[A] = \int \mathcal{D}\Theta \mathcal{D}b_\mu \exp\left(-\int d^3x \frac{g}{2} b_\mu^2 + i \int d^3x b_\mu (\partial_\mu \Theta - A_\mu)\right)$$

$$\equiv \int \mathcal{D}b_\mu \delta(\partial_\mu b_\mu) \exp\left(-\int d^3x \frac{g}{2} b_\mu^2 + i \int d^3x b_\mu A_\mu\right)$$

$$\partial_\mu b_\mu = 0 \Rightarrow b_\mu = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu a_\lambda ; f_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu a_\nu - \partial_\nu a_\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow Z[A] = \int \mathcal{D}a_\mu \exp\left(-\int d^3x \frac{g}{4} f_{\mu\nu}^2 + i \int d^3x a_\mu \underbrace{\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu A_\lambda}_{\omega_\mu}\right)$$

Note: These steps contain the statement that in 3D the dual of a Goldstone field ( $\theta$ ) is a gauge field ( $a_\mu$ )  
 compactification of  $\theta \Leftrightarrow$  charge quantization

Next we sum over vortex configurations

$$Z = \sum_{\{l_\mu^k\}} \delta(\partial_\mu l_\mu^k) \int \mathcal{D}a_\mu \exp\left(-\int d^3x \frac{g}{4} f_{\mu\nu}^2 + i \sum_k \int d^3x l_\mu^k(x_k) a_\mu(x_k)\right)$$

upon adding an energy/length to the vortices and a short range repulsion (no crossing)  $m^2 > 0$

$$\Rightarrow Z = \int \mathcal{D}a_\mu \mathcal{D}\phi \mathcal{D}\phi^* \exp\left(-\int d^3x \left[\frac{g}{4} f_{\mu\nu}^2 + |D_a \phi|^2 + m^2 |\phi|^2 + \lambda |\phi|^4\right]\right)$$

\* The theory we derived is the 3D Abelian-Higgs model (35)

This is the same as a superconductor  $\phi$  coupled to a fluctuating e.m. field  $A_\mu$

\* Introduce a probe field  $B_\mu \Rightarrow A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + g B_\mu$

This leads in the dual theory to an extra term

$$\exp\left(-i \int d^3x g B_\mu \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu a_\lambda\right) \quad (g \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ charge})$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{current } \vec{j}_\mu \longleftrightarrow g \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu a_\lambda$$

\* For  $m^2 < 0$  we can run the duality backwards and map the Higgs-Superconducting phase to the unbroken phase of the XY model

# Field Theory Picture of Particle-Vortex Duality

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\* Theory A

$$\mathcal{L} = |D_A \phi|^2 - m^2 |\phi|^2 - u |\phi|^4, \quad D_A \equiv \partial - i A \quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \text{background} \\ \text{field} \end{array}$$

\* Theory B

$$\mathcal{L} = |D_a \phi|^2 + m^2 |\phi|^2 - u |\phi|^4 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} A^\mu \partial^\nu a^\lambda - \frac{1}{4e^2} f_{\mu\nu}^2$$

external field

↓

↑  
dynamical  
field

$\vec{j}_m \leftrightarrow$

$\frac{1}{2\pi}$

$\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda}$

$\partial^\nu a^\lambda$

(particle-vortex)

Duality maps the unbroken phase of (A) to the Higgs phase of (B)  
broken phase of (A) to the unbroken phase of (B)

\* Wilson-Fisher Fixed Points are mapped into each other

# Generalization: Web of Dualities

① Particle-Vortex duality (Peskin, 1978; Dasgupta & Halperin, 1981) ↙ dynamical

$$\rightarrow |D_A \Phi|^2 - m^2 |\Phi|^2 - u |\Phi|^4 \leftrightarrow |D_b \varphi|^2 + m^2 |\varphi|^2 - u |\varphi|^4 + \frac{1}{2\pi} A db + \text{Maxwell}$$

external  $J$

$$J_M \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial^\nu b^\lambda$$

; vortices  $\leftrightarrow$  particles

② Bosonization (Fradkin & Schaposnik, 1994; Seiberg, Senthil, Wang & Witten, 2016)

$$\bar{\Psi} (i \overrightarrow{D}_A - M) \Psi - \frac{1}{8\pi} A dA \leftrightarrow |D_a \phi|^2 - m^2 |\phi|^2 - u |\phi|^4 + \frac{1}{4\pi} a da + \frac{1}{2\pi} a dA$$

Dirac fermion  $\leftrightarrow$  monopole ;

$$\bar{\Psi} \gamma^M \Psi \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu a_\lambda$$

③ Fermion Particle-Vortex duality (Son, 2015; Metlitski & Vishwanath, 2016)

$$\bar{\Psi} (i \overrightarrow{D}_A - M) \Psi - \frac{1}{8\pi} A dA \leftrightarrow \bar{\chi} (i \overrightarrow{D}_a + M) \chi + \frac{1}{8\pi} a da - \frac{1}{2\pi} a db + \frac{2}{4\pi} b db - \frac{1}{2\pi} b dA$$

"QED"<sub>3</sub>

- \* In general dimension duality often maps theories with  $\neq$  character and symmetry
- \* In  $D=4 \Rightarrow$  gauge theory  $\leftrightarrow$  gauge theory
- \* There are many other dualities
- \* AdS/CFT  $\leftrightarrow$  gauge/gravity duality
- \* S and T duality in String Theory  
 (S duality is related to particle-vortex duality)
- \* Conjectured web of dualities in 2+1 dimensions
- \* Fermion  $\leftrightarrow$  Boson duality
- \* Can we "derive" these conjectures?



## Strategy for a derivation (Goldman & EF 2018)

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- \* We will use generalized loop models near criticality but still in the gapped phases
- \* Generalization of the particle-vortex duality
- \* We consider loop models in  $2+1$  dimensions
- \* Assume that the loops cannot intersect
- \* Include phase factors for linking numbers
- \* Frame the loops and include self-linking and Berry phase factors  $\Rightarrow$  fractional spin

# Loop Models in 2+1 Dimensions

$$Z[A] = \sum'_{\{l_\mu\}} \delta(\partial_\mu l_\mu) e^{-S[l] + i\pi\Phi[l]}$$

$\uparrow$  background field  
 $\{l_\mu\}$  loop configurations ("conserved currents")  
 $\uparrow$  weight per unit length + interactions

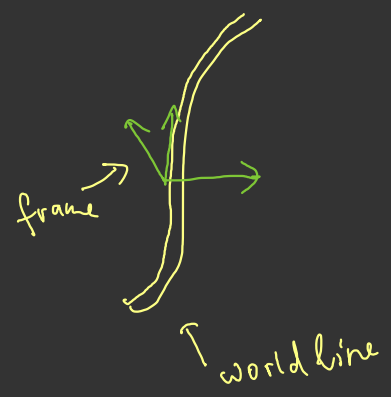
$\Phi[l] =$  linking number + self-linking number + Berry phase of the frame

Linking # of two loops  $l_1$  and  $l_2$

$$\bar{\Phi} = 2 \times \text{linking \# of } l_1 \text{ with } l_2 + W[l_1] + W[l_2]$$

$$W[l] = SL[l] - T[l] \approx \text{"writhe"}$$

$\uparrow$  self-linking       $\uparrow$  twist



Twist

$$T[l] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 ds \int_0^1 du \hat{e} \cdot \overset{\uparrow}{\partial_s \hat{e}} \times \partial_u \hat{e}$$

tangent

$T[l]$  in general is not quantized and } Berry phase of the frame

Linking # of  $l_1$  and  $l_2$

$$\left\langle e^{i \oint_{l_1 \cup l_2} dz_\mu a_\mu} \right\rangle \equiv e^{\frac{i\pi N_L}{k}} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{topological} \\ \text{invariant} \end{matrix}$$

linking #

Wilson loop in Chern-Simons Theory (Witten 89')

$$S = \frac{k}{4\pi} \int d^3x a da$$

$$k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Example (~ Polyakov 89')

$$* Z_{\text{fermion}} = \text{Det}(i\not{D} - M) \equiv \int \mathcal{D}\tilde{j}_\mu \delta(\partial_\mu \tilde{j}^\mu) e^{-|M| L[\tilde{j}] - i\pi \text{sgn}(M) \Phi[\tilde{j}]}$$

$\uparrow$   
 loop representation  $\leftarrow k=1$

$\uparrow$   
 linking # + spin factors

$$* \mathcal{L}_{\text{boson}} = |D_a \phi|^2 - m^2 |\phi|^2 - u |\phi|^4 + \frac{1}{4\pi} a da + \frac{1}{2\pi} a dA$$

$$Z[A] = \int \mathcal{D}\tilde{j}_\mu \mathcal{D}a_\mu \delta(\partial_\mu \tilde{j}^\mu) e^{-|M| L[\tilde{j}] + i S[\tilde{j}, a, A]}$$

$$S[\tilde{j}, a, A] = \int d^3x \left[ \tilde{j}_\mu (a_\mu - A_\mu) + \frac{1}{4\pi} a da - \frac{1}{4\pi} A dA + \dots \right]$$

Integrating over  $a_\mu$   $\Rightarrow -\pi \Phi[\tilde{j}] + \int d^3x \left( \tilde{j}_\mu A_\mu - \frac{1}{4\pi} A dA \right)$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{fermion}} = \bar{\Psi} (i \not{D}_A - M) \Psi - \frac{1}{8\pi} A dA \quad \text{with } M < 0$$

$\uparrow$   
 anomaly ( $\eta$  invariant)

$$Z_{\text{fermion}} [A, M < 0] \underbrace{e^{-\frac{i}{2} S_{\text{CS}}[A]}}_{\uparrow} = \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \delta(\not{\partial} \cdot \bar{\psi}) e^{-|M| L[\bar{\psi}]} e^{i S_{\text{fermion}}[\bar{\psi}, A, M < 0]} e^{-\frac{0}{2} S_{\text{CS}}[A]}$$

$$S_{\text{fermion}}[\bar{\psi}, A, M < 0] = \int d^3x \left[ \bar{\psi} \cdot A - \frac{1}{8\pi} A dA \right] - \pi \bar{\Phi}[\bar{\psi}]$$

\* To get the bosmization identity for  $M > 0$  one uses bosmic particle - vortex duality

\* In the fermionic theory  $M < 0 \Leftrightarrow M > 0 \Rightarrow$

\* In the bosmic theory this is the transition from broken to the unbroken phase

$$\sigma_{xy} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{e^2}{h}$$

# Fermion Particle - Vortex Duality

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\* Duality from a free Dirac fermion  $\leftrightarrow$  QED<sub>3</sub> with a quantized CS term

$$\bar{\Psi} (i \not{D}_A + M) \Psi - \frac{1}{8\pi} A dA \leftrightarrow \bar{\chi} (i \not{D}_a - M) \chi + \frac{1}{8\pi} a da - \frac{1}{2\pi} a db + \frac{2}{4\pi} b db - \frac{1}{2\pi} b dA$$



loop model



$$\rightarrow \int d^3x \int_{\mu} A^{\mu} + \pi \bar{\Phi} [\bar{j}] \quad \leftarrow \quad -\pi \bar{\Phi} [\bar{j}] + \int d^3x \left[ \int_{\mu} a - \frac{1}{2\pi} a db + \frac{2}{4\pi} b db - \frac{1}{2\pi} b dA \right]$$

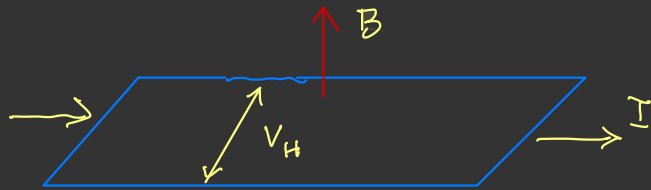
integrate out  $b_{\mu}$  and  $a_{\mu}$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\text{fermion}} [A, M] = \mathcal{Z}_{\text{QED}_3} [A, -M]; \quad \mathcal{Z}_f [A, -M] = \mathcal{Z}_{\text{QED}_3} [A, M]$$

Currents:  $\bar{\Psi} \gamma^{\mu} \Psi \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_{\nu} a_{\lambda}$

# Application: Fractional Quantum Hall States

In the beginning... two-dimensional electron gases in large magnetic fields



$$\sigma_{xy} = \nu \frac{e^2}{h}, \quad \sigma_{xx} \rightarrow 0 \quad (T \rightarrow 0)$$

no dissipation

Laughlin:  $\Psi_m(z_1, \dots, z_N) \sim \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j)^m e^{-\frac{1}{4\ell_0^2} \sum_{j=1}^N |z_j|^2}$  (1983)

filling fraction  $\nu = \frac{1}{m}$ ;  $\{z_j\}$ : electron coordinates ( $z = x + iy$ )  
 $\ell_0$ : magnetic length

Jain: composite fermion: electron +  $(m-1)$  fluxes (m odd)

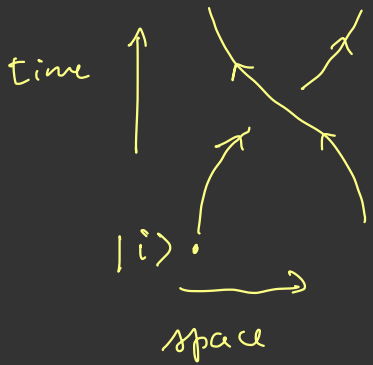
FQH state: IQH state of composite fermions

$$\nu_{\pm}(p, s) = \frac{p}{2sp \pm 1} \quad \begin{matrix} p = 1, 2, \dots \\ s = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{matrix} \quad \left( \begin{matrix} \text{Laughlin: } p=1, + \\ m=2s+1 \end{matrix} \right)$$

odd denominators  $\rightarrow$

\* The excitations of FQH fluids are vortices ("quasiholes") that

- (a) carry fractional charge  $q = \frac{1}{2s \mp 1} \leftarrow$
- (b) fractional braiding statistics (anyons) (Halperin '84, Arovas, Schrieffer and Wilczek '84)
- (c)  $m$  degenerate ground states on a torus (topological protection)



amplitude  $\sim e^{i\varphi}$

$\varphi = \frac{\pi}{2s \mp 1} \Rightarrow$  anyons labelled by one-dimensional representations of the Braid Group

$e^{i\varphi_1} e^{i\varphi_2} \rightarrow e^{i(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2)}$  ("fusion")

Wen: Effective Field Theory  
 ~1990  
 (Laughlin states)

$$\mathcal{L} = \underbrace{\frac{m}{4\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} a^\mu \partial^\nu a^\lambda}_{\text{Chern-Simons term}} + \underbrace{\frac{e}{2\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial^\nu a^\lambda A^\mu}_{\text{current}} + \underbrace{\int \tilde{v}^\mu Q^\mu}_{\substack{\text{e.m. field} \\ \text{vortex world lines}}} + \dots$$

$a_\mu$ : hydrodynamic gauge field



# Duality at the FQH Plateau Transition

(Hart Goldman & EF, 2019)

\* Limiting value of the Jain sequences

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p}{2np \pm 1} = \frac{1}{2n}$$

\* In this limit the average CS field cancels  $A_m$

\* Halperin-Lee-Read: this is a "Fermi Liquid"

\* Good phenomenology but...

\* singular forward scattering interactions and violation of particle-hole symmetry at  $\nu = 1/2$  ( $\nu \leftrightarrow 1-\nu$ )

# Symmetry of the I-V curves at the transition

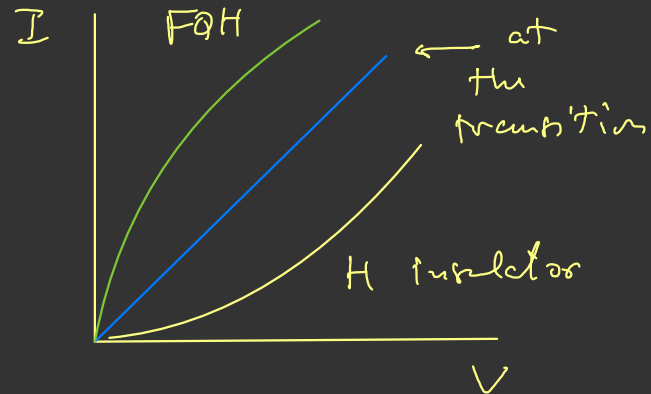
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\* The I-V curves show a "mirror" symmetry at all transitions

\* For general Jain states

$$\nu = \frac{p}{2np+1} \leftrightarrow \nu' = \frac{1+p}{2n(1+p)-1}$$

\* For  $\nu = 1/2 \leftrightarrow$  PH symmetry



I-V curves at the  $0 \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{3}$  transition

$$(\nu \cong \frac{1}{4})$$

Hall insulator  $\leftrightarrow$  FQH

$\nu = \frac{1}{2}$  : Son's Conjecture

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General case:  $\nu = \frac{1}{2n}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{1/2n} = i \bar{\Psi} \not{\partial} \Psi - \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} \right) da da + \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2n} da A + \frac{1}{2n} \frac{1}{4\pi} A da$$

$$\partial \times A = B$$

$a$ : flux attachment

Electron filling  $\nu = \frac{2\pi}{B} \left\langle \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_{\nu=1/2n}}{\delta A_0} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2n} \left( 1 + \frac{b^*}{B} \right)$

$$b^* = \partial \wedge a = 0 \Rightarrow \nu = \frac{1}{2n}$$

Composite fermion  $\Psi$  Fermi surface set by  $a_0$

$$s_{\Psi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} \right) b^* - \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{B}{2n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu_\psi = 2\pi \frac{\oint \psi}{b_x} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\nu}{1 - 2\nu}$$

↑  
filling  
fraction  
of  $\psi$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } \nu_\psi = p + \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \nu = \frac{p}{2np + 1}$$

↑  
(Dirac)

But, if  $\nu_\psi \rightarrow -\nu_\psi \Rightarrow \nu = \frac{p}{2np + 1} \rightarrow \frac{1+p}{2n(1+p) - 1} \checkmark !$   
(PH transf.)

$\Rightarrow$  PH transf. of the Dirac composite fermion is equivalent to the reflection symmetry!

# Self-Duality at the Transition

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\* Use fermion-boson duality

$$\mathcal{L}_{1/2n} \leftrightarrow |D_{g-A} \phi|^2 - |\phi|^4 + \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2n-1} g dg \quad \leftarrow \left( \frac{1}{v_\phi} \right)$$

\* Followed by a (boson) particle-vortex duality

$$\mathcal{L}_{1/2n} \leftrightarrow |D_h \varphi|^2 - |\varphi|^4 - \frac{2n-1}{4\pi} h dh + \frac{1}{2\pi} h dA$$

$$\left( -\frac{1}{v_\phi} \right)$$

\*  $v = \frac{1}{2n} \leftrightarrow v_\phi = -v_\varphi = 1$

\* Reflection symmetry  $v_\phi(v) = -v_\phi(v')$

\* Reflection  $\leftrightarrow$  boson-vortex symmetry!

\* Reflection symmetry at  $v = \frac{1}{2n} \leftrightarrow$  boson self-duality!

# Non-Abelian States: Moore-Read (1991)

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$$\Psi_{MR}(z_i) \sim \text{Pf} \left( \frac{1}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j)^n e^{-\frac{1}{4\ell_0^2} \sum_{i=1}^N |z_i|^2}$$

← Pfaffian

Pfaffian: expectation value of chiral Majorana fermions  $\chi(z) = \chi^\dagger(z)$

Propagator:  $\langle \chi(z) \chi(w) \rangle = \frac{1}{z-w}$

$\text{Pf} \left( \frac{1}{z_i - z_j} \right) = \langle \chi(z_1) \dots \chi(z_N) \rangle$  ← "paired states" ( $P_x + iP_y$  superconductor)

$\varphi(z)$ : chiral boson  $\varphi(z) \sim \varphi(z) + 2\pi\sqrt{n}$

$$\Psi_{MR} \sim \langle \chi(z_1) \dots \chi(z_N) \rangle \left\langle \left( \prod_{i=1}^N e^{i\sqrt{n}\varphi(z_i)} \right) e^{-\int d^2z' \sqrt{n} S_0 \varphi(z')} \right\rangle$$

Filling fraction:  $\nu = \frac{1}{n}$

$n$  even  $\rightarrow$  fermions;  $n$  odd  $\leftrightarrow$  bosons; eg.  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$  fermions  
 $\nu = 1$  bosons

# Generalization: Read-Rezayi states (RR) (1998)

Based on  $\mathbb{Z}_k$  parafermions (and  $SU(2)_k$ )

$$\Psi_n(z) * \Psi_m(z') \sim \frac{1}{(z-z')^{\Delta_n + \Delta_m - \Delta_{n+m}}} \Psi_{n,m}(z') + \dots$$

Fradkin & Kadanoff (1980) (!)

$$\Delta_n = \frac{n(k-n)}{k}, \quad n, m = 1, \dots, k-1$$

RR states use the parafermion CFT (Zamolodchikov & Fateev, 1985) (Gepner & Qiu, 1987)

$$\Psi_{\mathbb{Z}_k}(\{z_i\}) \sim \langle \Psi_1(z_1) \dots \Psi_1(z_N) \rangle \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j)^{M + \frac{2}{k}} \times \text{Gaussians}$$

$M \in \mathbb{Z}$  divisible by  $k$ ;  $M$  even: bosons,  $M$  odd: fermions;  $v = \frac{k}{Mk+2}$

vanishes when  $k+1$  particles come together. *clustering*

The most interesting case is  $k=3$  ( $\mathbb{Z}_3$ ) ( $v = \frac{3}{2}$  (B),  $\frac{3}{5}$  (F))

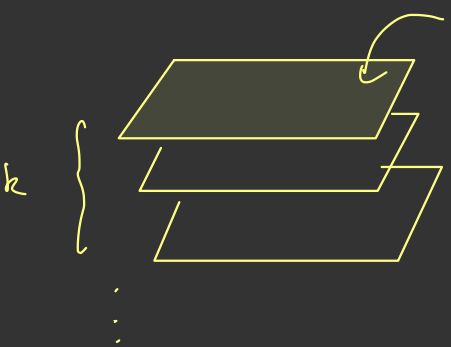
In addition to the  $\mathbb{Z}_3$  parafermion, it has a *Fibonacci* anyon  $\tau$   $SU(2)$

Fusion rule:  $\tau * \tau = I + \tau \Rightarrow$  its unitary braiding matrices cover universal quantum computer  
(Fibonacci sequence)  $\Rightarrow$

Effective Field Theory Approaches (Fradkin, Nayak, Schoutens, 1999  
 (Goldman, Sohail, EF, 2019, 2020)

We will discuss bosons for simplicity  $\nu = \frac{k}{2}$

Consider  $k$  layers of bosons in a  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$  Laughlin state



$\Psi_{1/2} \sim \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j)^2 \times \text{Gaussians}$

For each layer  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{2}{4\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} a^\mu \partial^\nu a^\lambda + \dots$

$\equiv \frac{2}{4\pi} a da + \frac{1}{2\pi} A da + \dots$

$U(1)_2$

Symmetry  $\underbrace{U(1)_2 \times \dots \times U(1)_2}_{k \text{ factors}}$

Chern-Simons  $U(1)_2 \longleftrightarrow SU(2)_4$   
 level-rank  
 duality  $I, e^{i\varphi/\sqrt{2}} \quad j=0, \frac{1}{2}$

group is non-abelian  
 the braids are abelian



Q: how to get to a state with non-abelian statistics?

Hint: somehow we need a theory on  $SU(2)_k$

you need  $U(1)_2 \times \dots \times U(1)_2 \rightarrow SU(2)_k$

(A) ① use the Chern-Simons level-rank duality

$$SU(2)_1 \times \dots \times SU(2)_1$$

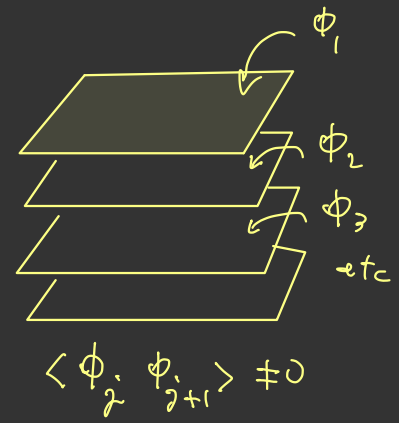
② construct a condensate  $\rightarrow SU(2)_k$

The 1999 paper did this by condensing pairs of excitations on two layers at a time

$\Rightarrow$  Higgs (Meissner) mechanism projects into a state with symmetry  $SU(2)_k$  (clustering)

1999 was basically right (but not completely)

$\Rightarrow$  Dualities solve the problem



### Construction of a Fibonacci FQH state (Goldman, Sohal, EF, 2021)

\* Want a FQH state with only Fibonacci anyons

$\tau * \tau = 1 + \tau$  (and no other anyons)

⇒ universal quantum computing (3  $\tau$ 's form a qubit)

\* Topological QFT?

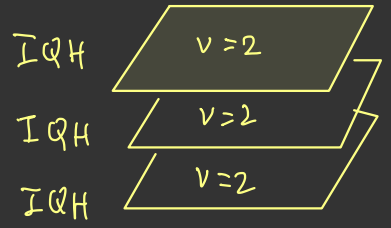
$$(G_2)_1 \leftrightarrow U(2)_{3,1} = \frac{SU(2)_3 \times U(1)_2}{\mathbb{Z}_2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Fib}} = \frac{3}{4\pi} \text{Tr} \left[ a da - \frac{2}{3} i a^3 \right] - \frac{1}{4\pi} \text{Tr} [a] d \text{Tr} [a] + \frac{1}{4\pi} A d \text{Tr} [a]$$

↑  $SU(2)$  gauge field                      ↑  $U(1)_2$                       ↑ background

$$\Rightarrow \nu = 2 \left( \sigma_{xy} = 2 \frac{e^2}{h} \right)$$

\* Start with 3 layers of Diracs at  $\nu = 2 \rightarrow 1$  transition (IQH)



$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{n=1}^3 \left[ \bar{\Psi}_n (i \not{D}_A - M) \Psi_n - \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{4\pi} \text{Ad} A \right]$$

$D_A = \partial - iA$

↑ parity anomaly

Duality: Free Dirac  $\Psi \leftrightarrow$  Wilson-Fisher boson  $\phi + U(N)_1$   
 OK since  $U(N)_1 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{N}{4\pi} \text{Ad} A$  (trivial)

\* Set  $N=2$

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_n \left[ |D a_n \phi_n|^2 - r |\phi_n|^2 - |\phi|^4 + \mathcal{L}_{\text{CS}}[a_n] \right] + \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Ad} \text{Tr}[a_1 - a_2 + a_3]$$

\* Clustering:  $\langle \Gamma_{mn} \rangle = \langle \phi_m^\dagger \phi_n \rangle \neq 0$  ( $m \neq n$ ),  $\langle \phi_n \rangle = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow$  pins  $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 \equiv a \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Ad} \text{Tr}[a_1 - a_2 + a_3] \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Ad} \text{Tr}[a]$

\* The physical densities are pinned  $\rho_1 = -\rho_2 = \rho_3$

⇒ layer exchange symmetry is broken

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{u(1)_3} = 3 \mathcal{L}_{CS}[a] + \frac{1}{2\pi} A d \text{Tr}[a]$$

\* To get Fibonacci ⇔ attach a unit of flux to the fermions

⇒ fermions → bosons

$$\text{flux attachment: } 3 \mathcal{L}_{CS}[a] + \frac{1}{2\pi} b d \text{Tr}[a] + \frac{1}{4\pi} (b+A) d (b+A)$$

fluctuating U(1) gauge field

\* Integrating out  $b_\mu \Rightarrow$  obtain  $\mathcal{L}_{Fib}$ !

⇒ interpret  $\phi^\dagger t^a \phi$  as the Fibonacci anyon  $\tau$

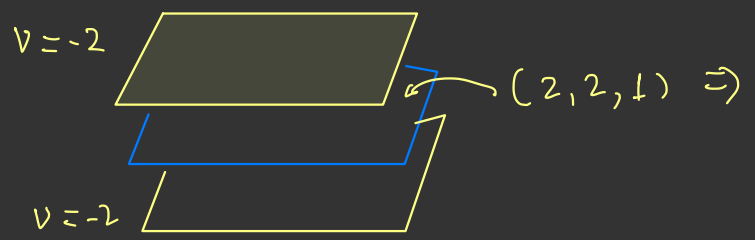
\* Alternatively we can attach (+) flux to layers 1,3 and (-) to layer 2

before clustering

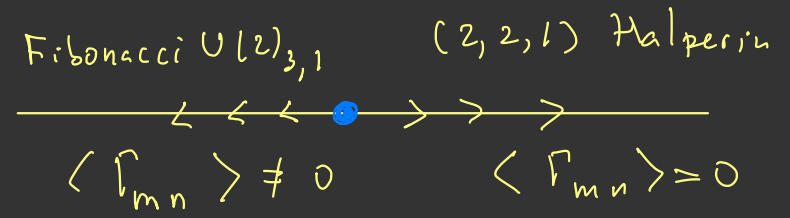
⇒ layers 1,3 become  $|D_A \Phi|^2 + \frac{2}{4\pi} A dA$  (trivial)

layer 2 :  $|D_\alpha \Phi|^2 + \frac{2}{4\pi} \alpha d\alpha + \frac{2}{4\pi} \beta d\beta + \frac{1}{2\pi} \alpha d\beta + \frac{1}{2\pi} \beta dA$

layer 2 ⇒ Halperin (2,2,1) state



Transition  $(2,2,1) \leftrightarrow$  Fibonacci



One can use this construction to derive the Fibonacci wave function!

- \* Non-Abelian dualities can be used to understand the landscape of non-abelian FQH states
- \* define physical parent states
- \* construct ideal wave functions using CFT methods
- \* hopefully to find simple Hamiltonians!
- \* Opens a window to universal TQC!

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