Simulation of background and dynamical gauge fields in quasi-1D quantum systems

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Solve hard problems

Involve classical or dynamical gauge fields



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General question: when is the crossover between 1D and 2D? how is it affecting the different properties?

Plan

- Synthetic gauge fields and synthetic lattices (Extradimension)
- Synthetic strips as minimal quantum Hall systems Edge states in narrow strips Topological response in narrow strips
- Dimerized interacting ladder Meissner/Vortex phase (in analogy to type II superconductors)
 Effect of the dimerization:

Reverse of chiral current (single particle) Commensurate-Incommensurate transition (strong interactions)

- Interacting flux ladder from ion chains
- U(1) Lattice gauge theory on the ladder (very very preliminary)
- Prospects

Ultracold atoms in optical lattices as ideal electrons in metals



Mott-superfluid phase transition (predicted 1998- observed 2002)

Increasing complexity optical lattice simulator:

- Modify Hopping & connectivity
- Tune interaction (intensity, range)
- Distinguish internal states of atoms

Hopping with phases

Synthetic magnetic field for <u>neutral</u> atoms



Synthetic Aharonov-Bohm effect $\phi = \Sigma_i \phi_i = magnetic flux$

Many ways of generating magnetic fluxes on the lattice

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- Shaking (also non-Abelian PRL 109 145301 (2012)...)

Exp. collaboration with Hamburg: search for *Spin liquid phases* in frustrated antiferromagnets with *Bosons*

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Not only atoms Cold molecules, Photonic crystal, Ring resonators...



Constant magnetic flux ϕ !

⁸⁷*Rb* (F=1, m=-1,0,1) +Raman dressing $J' \operatorname{Exp}[i \phi n]$

Minimal instance of a quantum Hall system!

Quantum Hall effect

1879: Classical Hall effect (consequence of Lorentz force)

1980: Quantum Hall effect: Electric conductivity quantized





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Magnetic field (T)

K. Von Klitzing







Integer Quantum Hall effect in a lattice

IQH explained in terms of single particle physics (Landau level filling)

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Sharp Boundaries

Edge currents (hard to get in real 2d lattice)
 signal of Topological nature of quantum Hall
 (bulk-boundary correspondence)

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Displacement $\langle \delta j \rangle$

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Also with clock states (ladder) LENS: Livi et al. PRL 117, 220401 (2016) JILA: Kolkowitz et al. Nature 542 66 (2017)

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How big should it be to display topological properties?

Is there some reminiscence of open/closed boundary correspondence?

Is Chern number defined? / Can we measure it?

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Brillouin sketch of semiclassical dynamics

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- After a Bloch oscillation observe the displacement



Displacement in y due to anomalous velocity!

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In formulae: semiclassical approach

$$\mathbf{k}(t) = \mathbf{k}_0 + \frac{t}{\hbar d} F_x \,\mathbf{e}_x \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{\hbar} \partial_{\mathbf{k}} E(\mathbf{k}) + \frac{F_x}{\hbar d} \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{k}) \mathbf{e}_y$$

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Applicable also to strips until we don't reach the boundary...




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Why does it work? Perturbative argument also for edge states:

- Gap linear in J_y/J_x
- Hybridization spin states (spreading in y) quadratic in J_y/J_x



Quadratic degradation of the measurement

Higher C possible for $N_y \ge C + 2$

Ex:
$$\Phi = \frac{4\pi}{5} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_1 = -2$$

"Better" than Fukui-Hatsugai-Suzuki algorithm J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. (2005)



Robust to disorder (< gap) and typical harmonic confinement

Interactions? Gap small (although may hold thought adiabatic argument, see later)

Synthetic lattices in interaction

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Many studies: Meissner-vortex and commensurable incommensurable transitions, Fractional pumping, Laughlin like states, pseudo Majorana...

Here: effect of dimerization on synthetic Hofstadter ladder



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Idea: nucleate vortices by dimerizing the lattice ("easy" exp. handle)

ladders, E. Tirrito, R. Citro, M.Lewenstein, AC in progress

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No interactions: 4 bands



Minima separate: dimerization enhances vortex phase!

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No interactions: Reverse of chiral current



Current behavior confirms vortex enhancement!

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 $J_{\perp} \gtrsim J_O$ Plaquette in n=2 \longrightarrow Band insulator $J_{\perp} < J_O$ Plaquette in n=1 \longrightarrow Imprinted vortex

Vortex Nesting and Melting in synthetic ladders, E. Tirrito, R. Citro, M.Lewenstein, AC in progress

DMRG calculations confirm perturbative expectations Ex. $J_{\perp} = J_O = 1$



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Phase diagram through calculation of currents and structure factors

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Similar to attractive interleg interaction, [Orignac et al, PRB 96, 014518 (2017)]

Evidence of commensurate-incommensurate transition

Further steps

• No hard-core boson limit: bosons different fermions

• Study the accessible experimental parameters

• Search for "visible" Laughlin-like states in such regimes cf. [Calvanese et al, PRX 7, 021033 (2017)],[Petrescu et al, PRB 96, 014524 (2017)]

• ...Toy model for many-body localization?

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Driven Dicke model with "fluxes" seems robust to photon heating!

$$H_0(t) = \sum_m \hbar \omega_m a_m^{\dagger} a_m + \sum_{i,m} \hbar \Omega_i \eta_{i,m} (a_m + a_m^{\dagger}) \sigma_i^x \sin(\omega t) + \sum_i B_i(t) \sigma_i^z$$

Special instance: Triangle! [T. Grass, AC, G. Pagano, M. Lewenstein, arXiv:1708.01882]



From synthetic to dynamical gauge fields in ultracold atoms

A classical non-dynamical gauge field conf. = fixed Unitary matrix U

Ex.: constant magnetic field (Landau gauge)

$$H = -\sum_{n,m} (Ja_{n+1,m}^{\dagger} + J'e^{i\Phi n}a_{n,m+1}^{\dagger})a_{n,m} + H.c. + \dots$$

Simulable with synthetic gauge field in optical lattices



Hamiltonian framework natural for atoms

Hamiltonian Formulation



Hamiltonian LGT simulation

Recent boom in quantum simulation: Gauge magnets (link model) ≈ spin formulation of LGT

[Horn,Orland,Wiese]

MPQ- Tel Aviv Zohar... PRL 107 275301 (2011) 109 125302 (2012) 110 055302 (2013) 110 125303 (2013)

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Innsbruck-Bern PRL 109 125302 (2012) 110 125304 (2013) 111 110504 (2013) 112 120406 (2014) PRX 3 041018 (2013)

Platforms: Rydberg, Earth-alkali atoms Superconducting qubits Trapped ions, ...

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Tagliacozzo, AC,... Ann.Phys 330 160 (2013) (Abelian) Nature Comm. 4 (2013) (Non-Abelian)

U(1) Gauge magnets = emergent LGT in spin-ice

Hamiltonian LGT simulation

Parallel progresses in classical simulation with tensor networks

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PRB 83 115127 (2011)	1d Sch
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Bañuls *et al* 1d Schwinger model Competitive results with montecarlo **Gent** PRL 111 091601 (2014) PRX 5 011024 (2015)

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Ulm(-Innsbruck) PRL 112 201601 (2014) NJP **16** 103015 (2014) PRB 90 125154 (2014)

Osborne (webproject)

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"Tensor Networks for Lattice Gauge Theories with continuous groups", L. Tagliacozzo, AC, and M. Lewenstein, Phys. Rev. X 4, 041024 (2014)

Quantum Simulation of LGT

Challenge: 4-body interaction at distance not natural for atoms

Analogue: engineering Hamiltonian Two strategies Digital: engineering time evolution Angular momentum cons. [Cirac-Reznik] by symmetry SU(N) inv. collision [Wiese-Zoller] **Gauss Law** Energy penalty ICFO.... +(& dissipation) Electric term easy **Dynamics** Analogue: Perturbative (like superexchange) Plaquette hard **Digital: Trotter decomposition**

Quantum Simulation of LadderGT





Quantum Simulation of LadderGT Special cases: 1D encoding (gauge field eliminated) no Gauss law no plaquette Ladder encoding (1 link per plaquette) no Gauss law plaquette = nearest-neighbor interaction chain! $\oint_{m_4} UUU^{\dagger}U^{\dagger} + H.c. \rightarrow U + U^{\dagger}$ $-m_3 - m_4$ $-m_1 - m_2$ m_1 $m_2 + m_3$ U(1) $-m_1$ \overline{m}_2 $-m_3$ m_4 $\sum E_I^2 \to \sum E_i E_{i+1}$



Quantum Simulation of LadderGT (running)

Simplest experiment: static charges, measure of string tension σ

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Implementation: usual angular momentum -> Schwinger boson rep.

$$\hat{E}_{i} = \lim_{l \to \infty} \hat{L}_{i}^{z}, \quad \hat{U}_{i} = \lim_{l \to \infty} \frac{\hat{L}_{i}^{+}}{\sqrt{l(l+1)}}, \quad \hat{U}_{i}^{\dagger} = \lim_{l \to \infty} \frac{\hat{L}_{i}^{-}}{\sqrt{l(l+1)}}$$
$$\hat{L}_{i}^{z} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\hat{a}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{i} - \hat{b}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{b}_{i} \right), \quad \hat{L}_{i}^{+} = \hat{a}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{b}_{i}, \quad \hat{L}_{i}^{-} = \hat{b}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{i}, \quad l = \left(\hat{a}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{i} + \hat{b}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{b}_{i} \right)$$

On-site and nearest-neighbor interactions!

Summary

- Synthetic edge state in synthetic Hofstadter strips
- "Bulk topology" in synthetic Hofstadter strips
- Effect of dimerization in synthetic Hofstadter ladder w/o interactions
- Synthetic fluxes in driven ion chain
- Encoding plaquettes in local terms in ladders...

"Extradimensional" collaborators



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