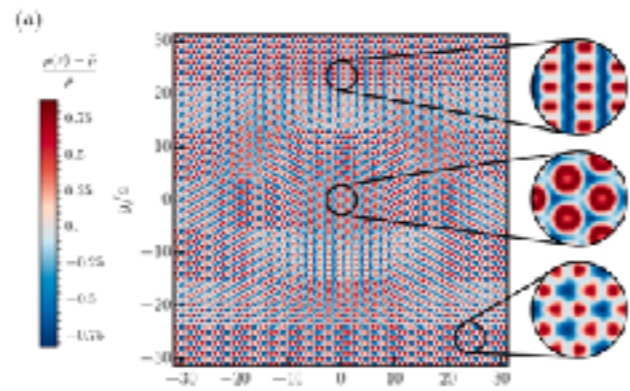


From Abelian anyons in moiré matter to non-Abelions in synthetic quantum systems



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“Vortexability”

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“ $C > 1$ ”

Ledwith, AV, Khalaf (PRL 2022)

Dong, Ledwith, Khalaf, Lee, AV (arXiv:2210.13477)

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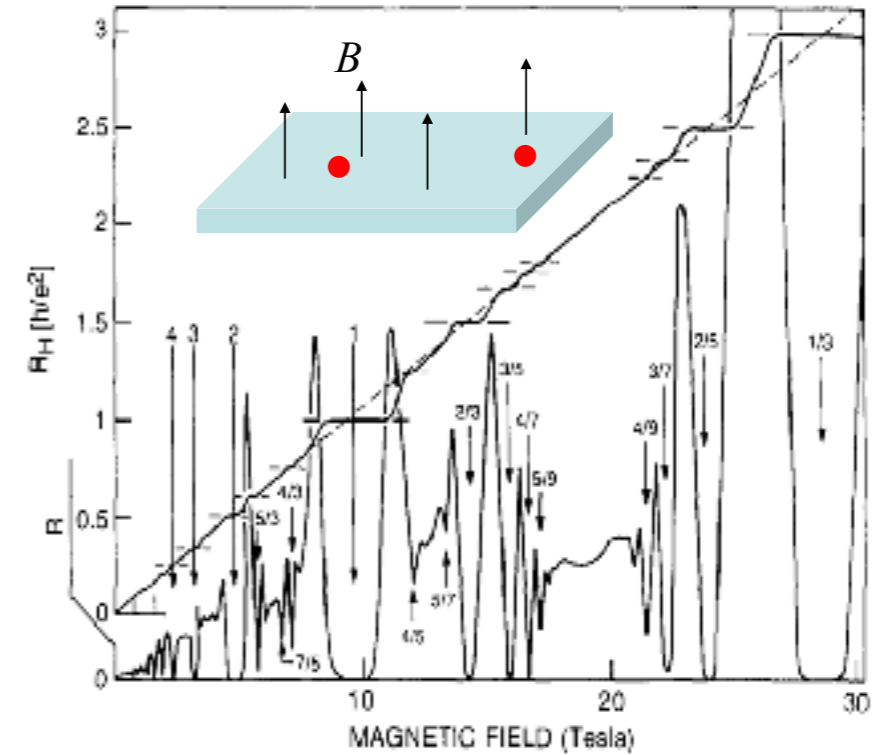
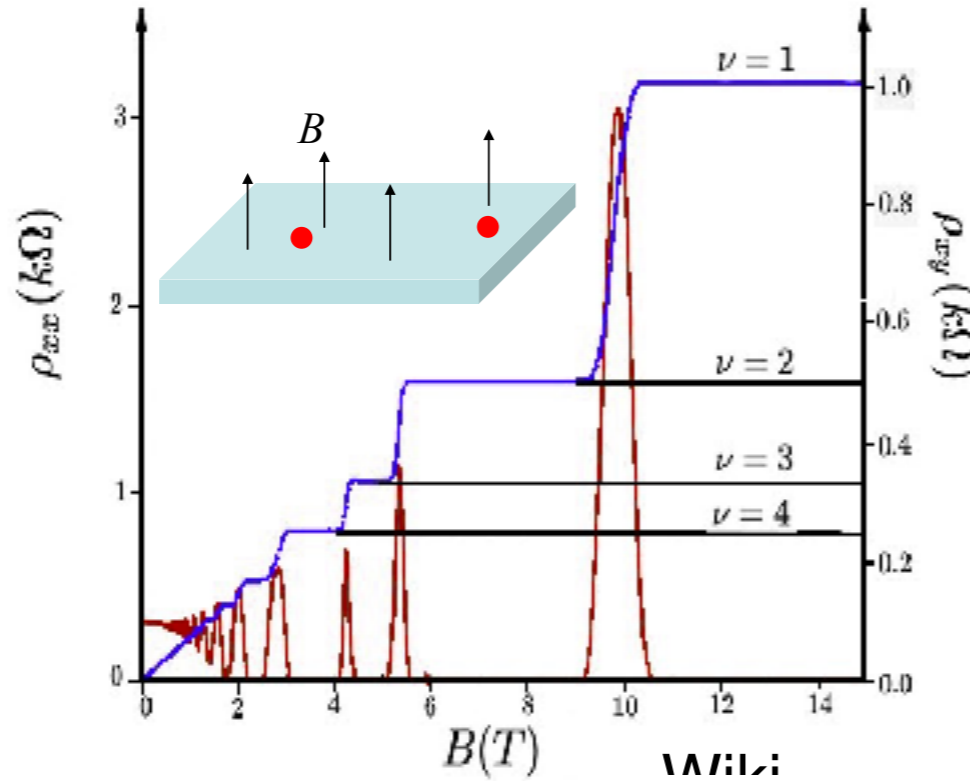
Experimental Collaboration: Yacoby and Jarillo-Herrero Groups

Fractional Chern Insulators in Moire' Materials

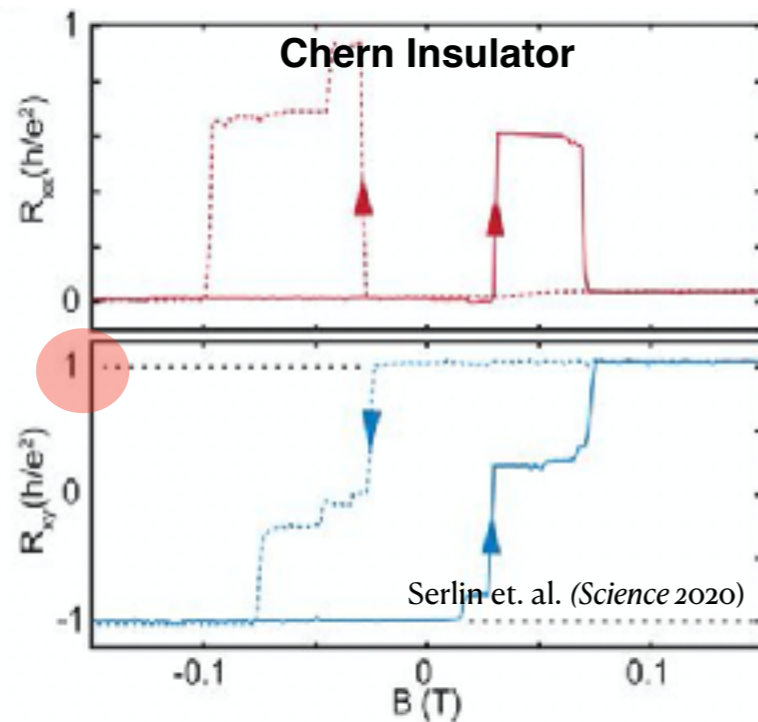
**B-Field
Landau level**

Integer Charge

Fractional Charge



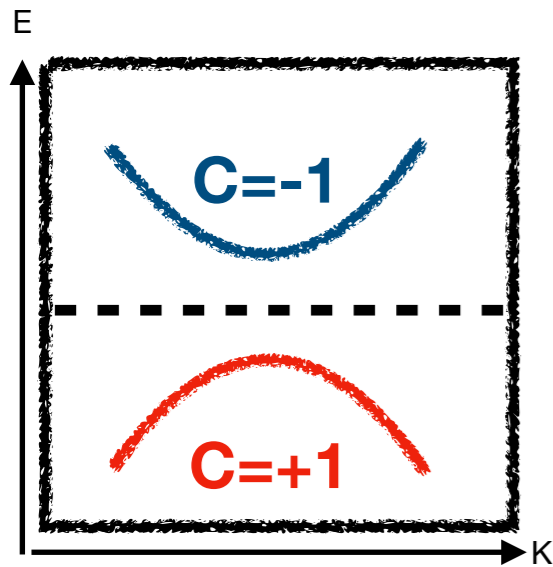
**Band
Topology/
Geometry**



Magic angle graphene (+ aligned hBN)

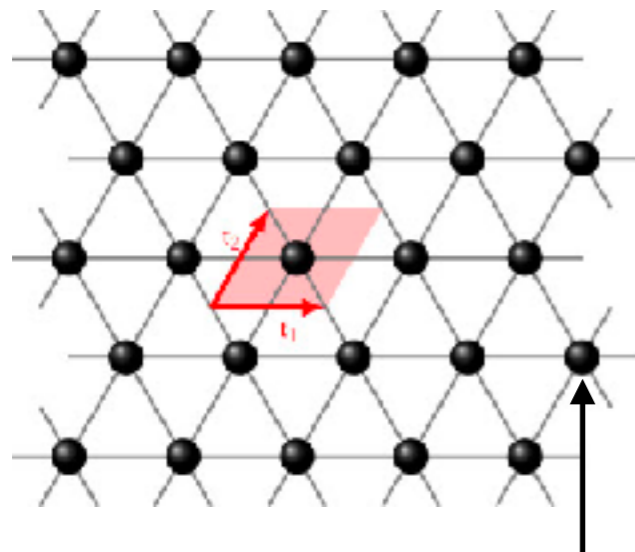
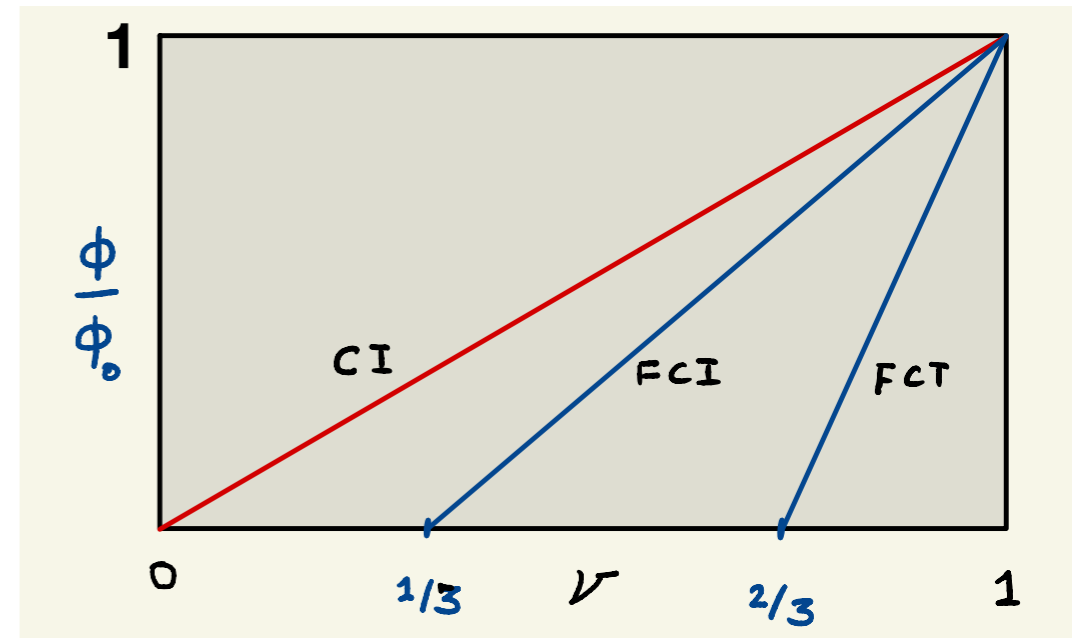


FCIs- Symmetry Enriched Topological Order



Streda Formula
Incompressible State

$$\nu = t \frac{\phi}{\phi_0} + s$$



Laughlin Quasiparticle
attached to each lattice site

$$(t, s) = \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right) \text{ and } \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right) \implies \text{FCI}$$

$$(t, s) = \left(\frac{1}{3}, 0\right) \implies \text{FQHE}$$

Translation symmetry *enriched* Topological Order

Chern Band Geometry and FCIs

Chern insulators - band topology dictates the state, But

Realizing FCIs by *partially* filling Chern band. *Wavefunctions important!*

Find theoretically well motivated starting points + extend with numerics

Historical Approach: *mimic* Landau levels by requiring:

Lowest Landau Level

(FQHE)

- Zero Dispersion
- Uniform Berry Curvature

Crucial Ingredient?

N =4 Landau Level

(Stripe/Bubble Phase*)

- Zero Dispersion
- Uniform Berry Curvature

*Coulomb or short ranged interactions

Chern Band Geometry and FCIs

Trace Condition (LLL)

$$|\text{Tr}[g(k)]| = |\Omega(k)|$$

Quantum Metric

Berry Curvature

Historically: Uniform Berry curvature + Trace condition

$$\Rightarrow g = g_{LLL} \text{ AND } \Omega = \Omega_{LLL}$$

Mimics the LLL \rightarrow GMP Algebra.

BUT hard to achieve

Here: Isolate Trace condition.

Easier to realize.

FCIs + physics beyond LLL

Physical meaning of Trace condition?

Vortexable Bands

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Physical meaning of Trace condition?
Vortexable Bands

- What does it imply? Why is it important?
- Can we find bands that naturally satisfy it?
- Experimental consequence?
- Extend to 'beyond' Landau level physics ?

Vortexable Bands

$$\psi(x, y) = \sum a_k \psi_k(x, y)$$

$\psi \in$ **Vortexable Chern Band**

$\implies \mathbf{z}\psi \in$ **Vortexable Chern Band**

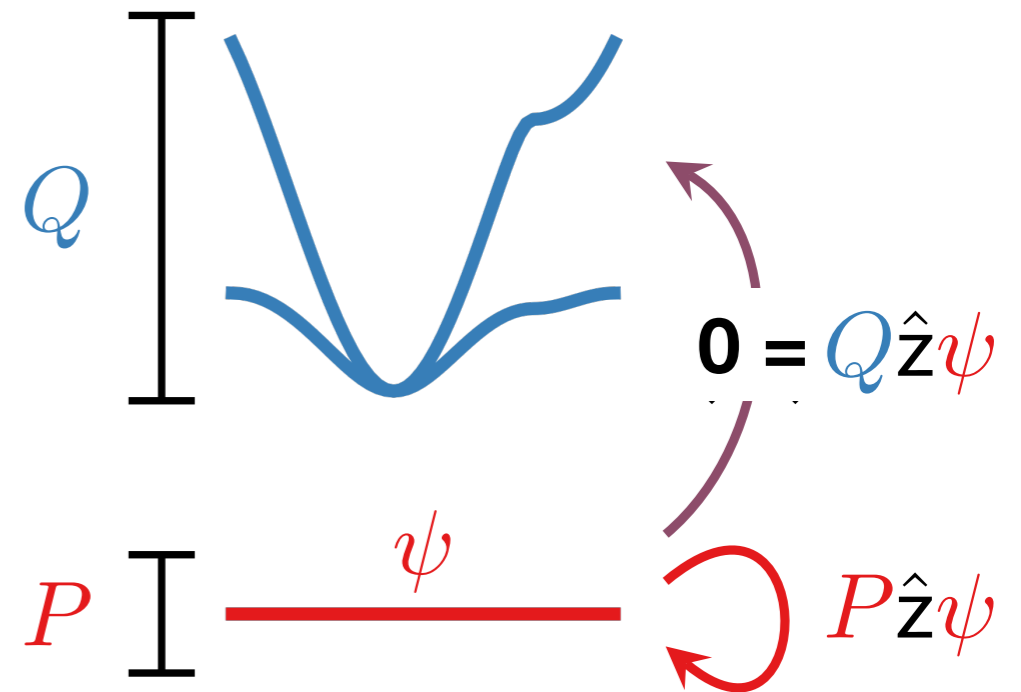
where $\mathbf{z} = x + iy$

“**Vortexable band**” since $\mathbf{z}|\psi\rangle$ attaches a vortex without leaving the band.

Equivalently, define the band projector:

$$\hat{P} = \sum_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{Q} = 1 - \hat{P}$$

$$\mathbf{z}|\psi\rangle = \hat{P}\mathbf{z}|\psi\rangle \quad \text{for all } |\psi\rangle = P|\psi\rangle$$



$$\text{or } Q\mathbf{z}|\psi\rangle = 0$$

Vortexability & FCIs

Consequences of Vortexability:

$$Qz\psi(x, y) = 0 \implies Qz^n \psi(x, y) = 0 \implies Qf(z) \psi(x, y) = 0$$

Many Body Wave-function: $Qf(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) \psi(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) = 0$

Write FCI Laughlin wave function *entirely* within vortexable band.

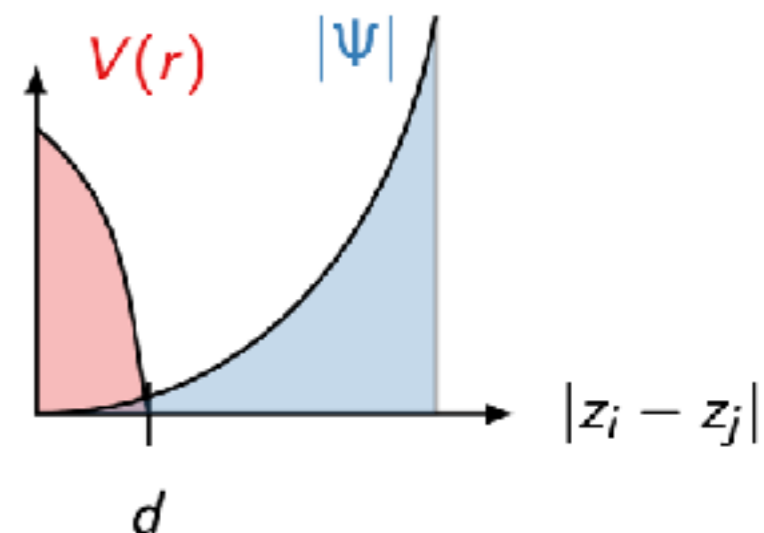
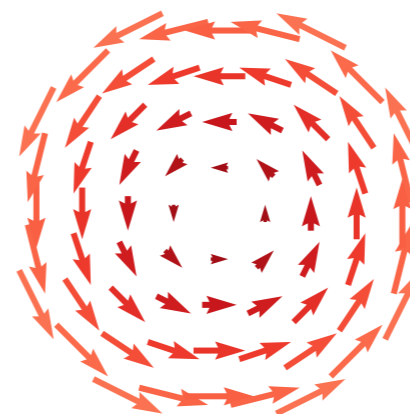
$$|\Psi_{\nu=\frac{1}{2s+1}}^{\text{FCI}}\rangle = \prod_{i<j} (z_i - z_j)^{2s} |\text{Filled } \nu=1\rangle$$

Exact ground state for sufficiently short ranged repulsive interactions:

Eg: $\nu = 1/3$;

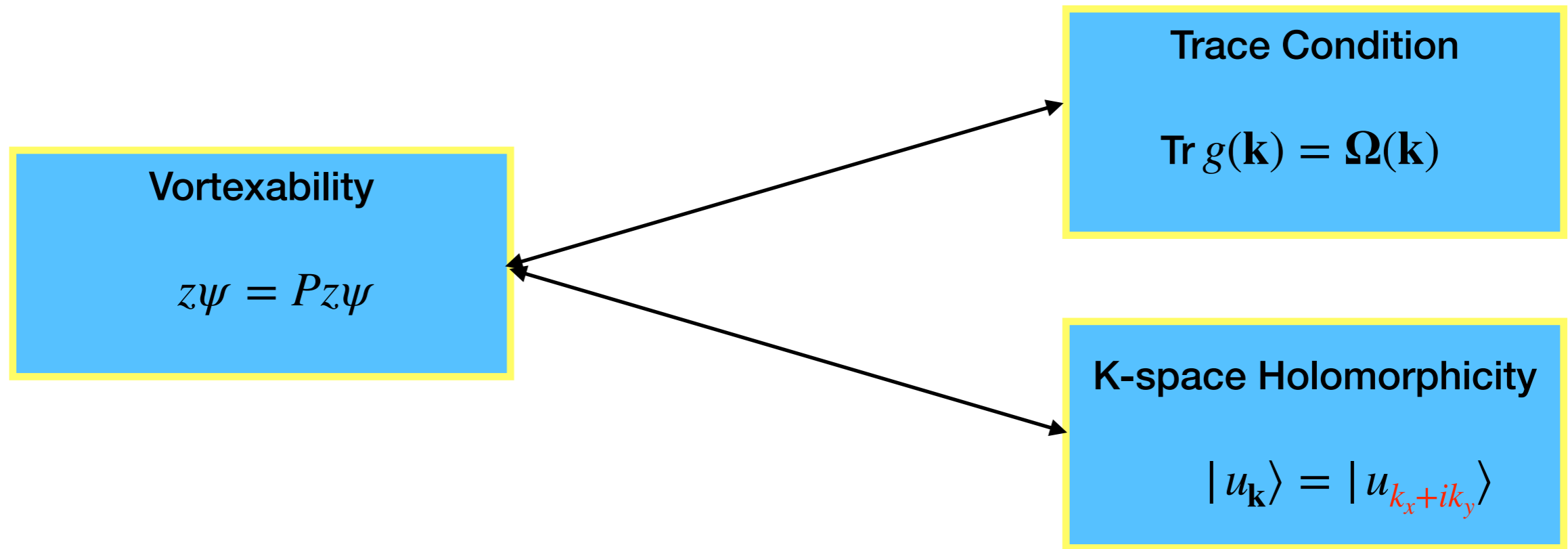
Interaction:

$$V(r_1 - r_2) = V_1 l^2 \nabla^2 \delta(r_1 - r_2)$$



Cf. Trugman-Kivelson argument for Laughlin State in LLL.

Momentum Space Consequences of Vortexability



- Holomorphic in 'k': $|\psi_{\mathbf{k}}\rangle = e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} |u_{\mathbf{k}}\rangle$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{k}} |u_{k_x+ik_y}\rangle = 0 \implies Q z \psi_k = 0$$

$$u_{k=k_x+ik_y}(x, y) = \exp\left(-\frac{i}{2} k \bar{z}\right) \frac{\sigma(z + il^2 k)}{\sigma(z)} \psi_{\Gamma}(\mathbf{r})$$

Eg. Chiral MATBG Wfns.

Vortexability



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Experimental consequence?



Extend to `beyond' Landau level physics ?

Realizations of Vortexable Bands

PRINCIPLE:

Flat band from zero mode:

$$D_A \psi_k = 0$$

Where: $D_A = i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \otimes \mathbf{1} - \hat{A}$

Automatically Vortexable:

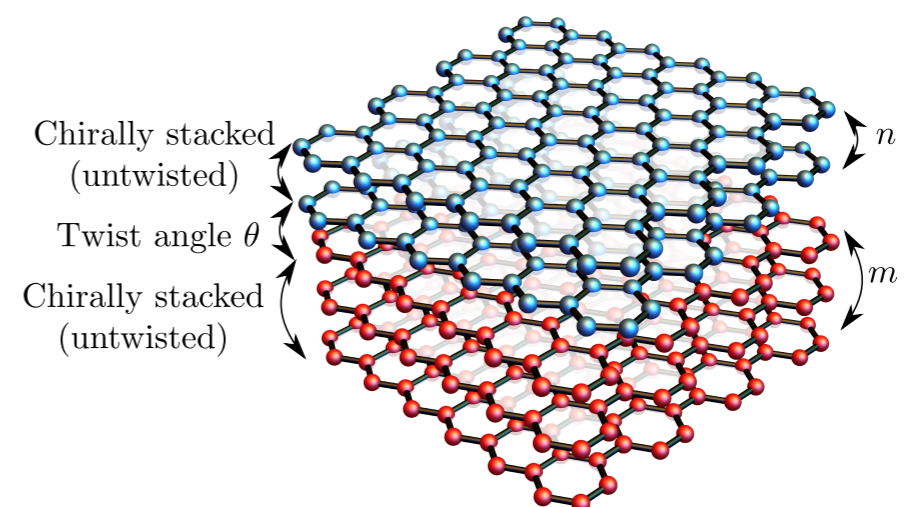
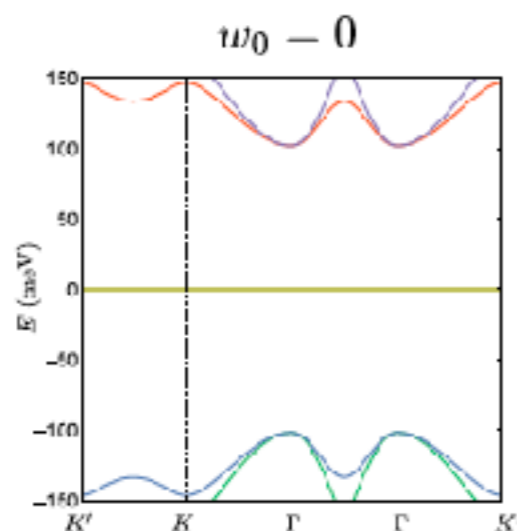
$$D_A \psi = 0 \implies D_A z \psi = 0$$

Examples: Lowest Landau level: $H = (p - eA) \cdot \sigma$

- Magic angle twisted bilayer graphene in the *chiral limit*.

- Chirally stacked multilayer graphene (*magic angle + chiral limit*). Gives $C > 1!$

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & w_1 U_1(\mathbf{r}) \\ w_1 U_1(-\mathbf{r}) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



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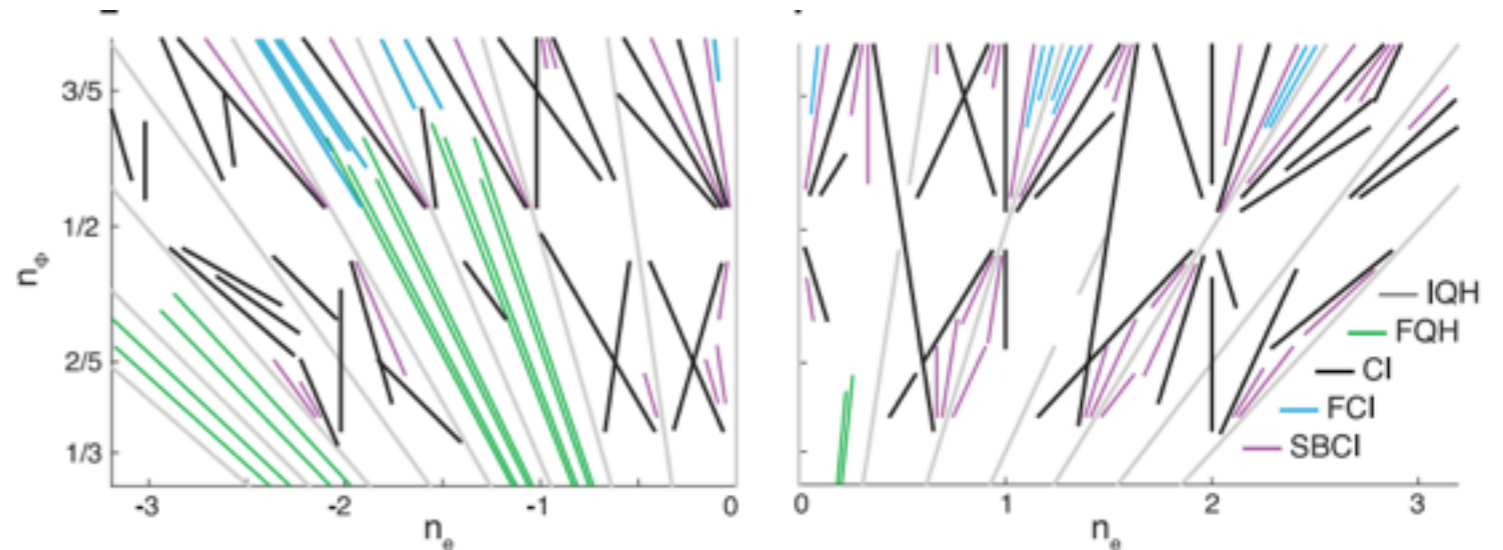


Extend to `beyond' Landau level physics ?

FCI in Experiment

1. In Hofstadter Bands High Field FCI (~25 Tesla)

where B-field creates Chern bands



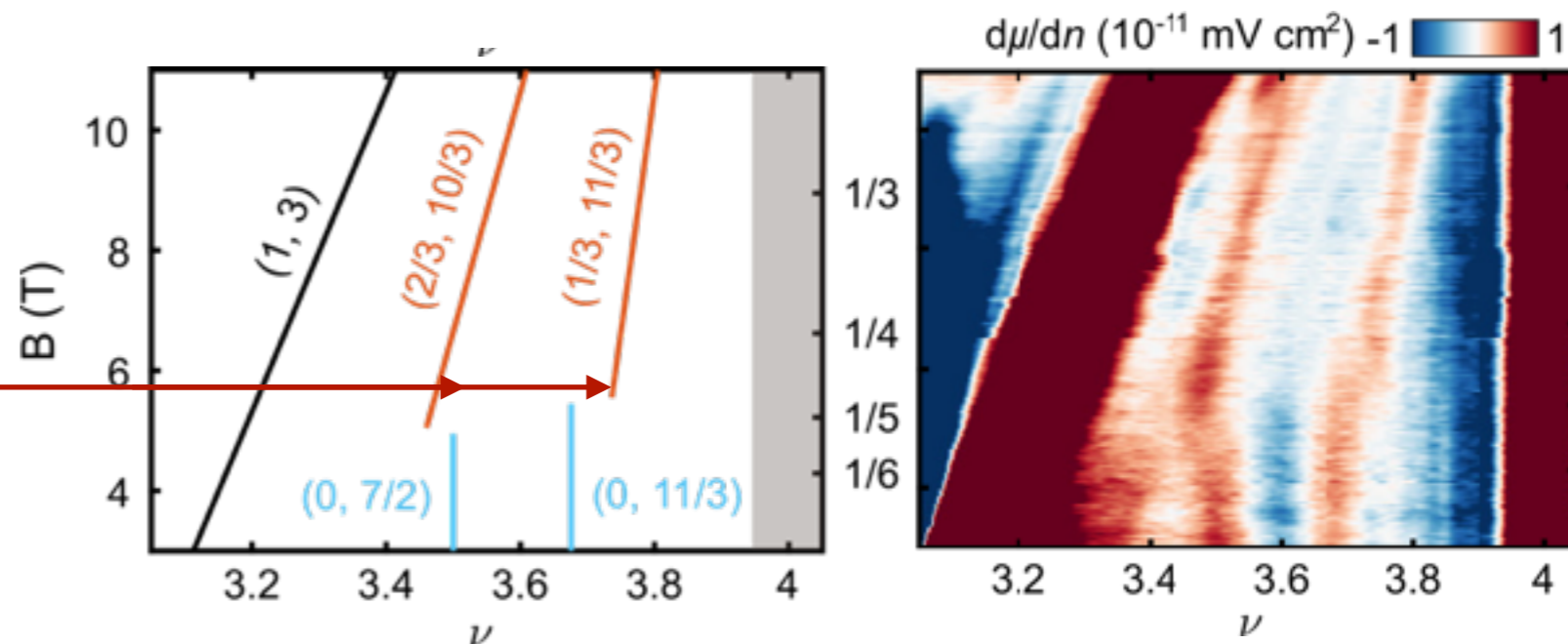
Spanton..A. Young. Science (2018)

2. Magic angle graphene + aligned hBN substrate:

Intrinsic zero-field Chern bands
{D. Goldhaber-Gordon; A. Young}
[$\nu = 3$; $C = 1$]

Compressibility measurements
show for $B \gtrsim 5\text{ T}$

Fractional Chern Insulators!



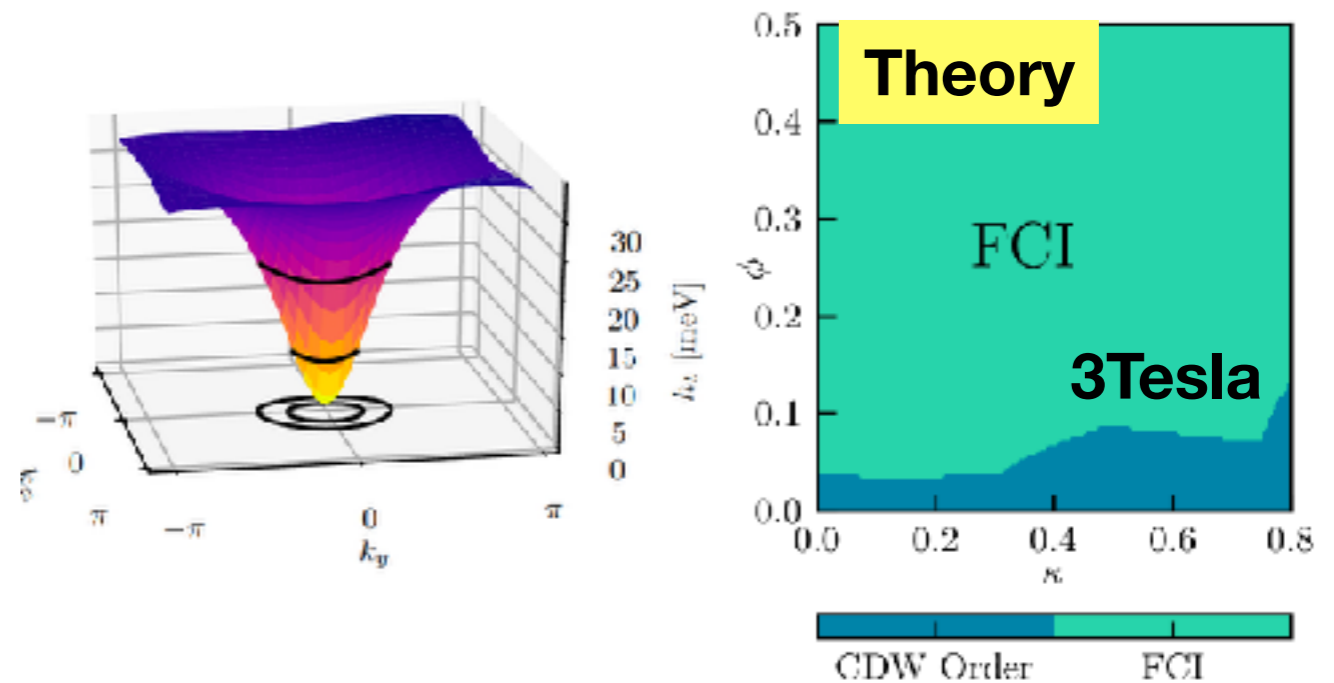
Xie,... Jarillo-Herrero, Yacoby Nature (Nature, 2021)

FCI in Magic Angle Graphene

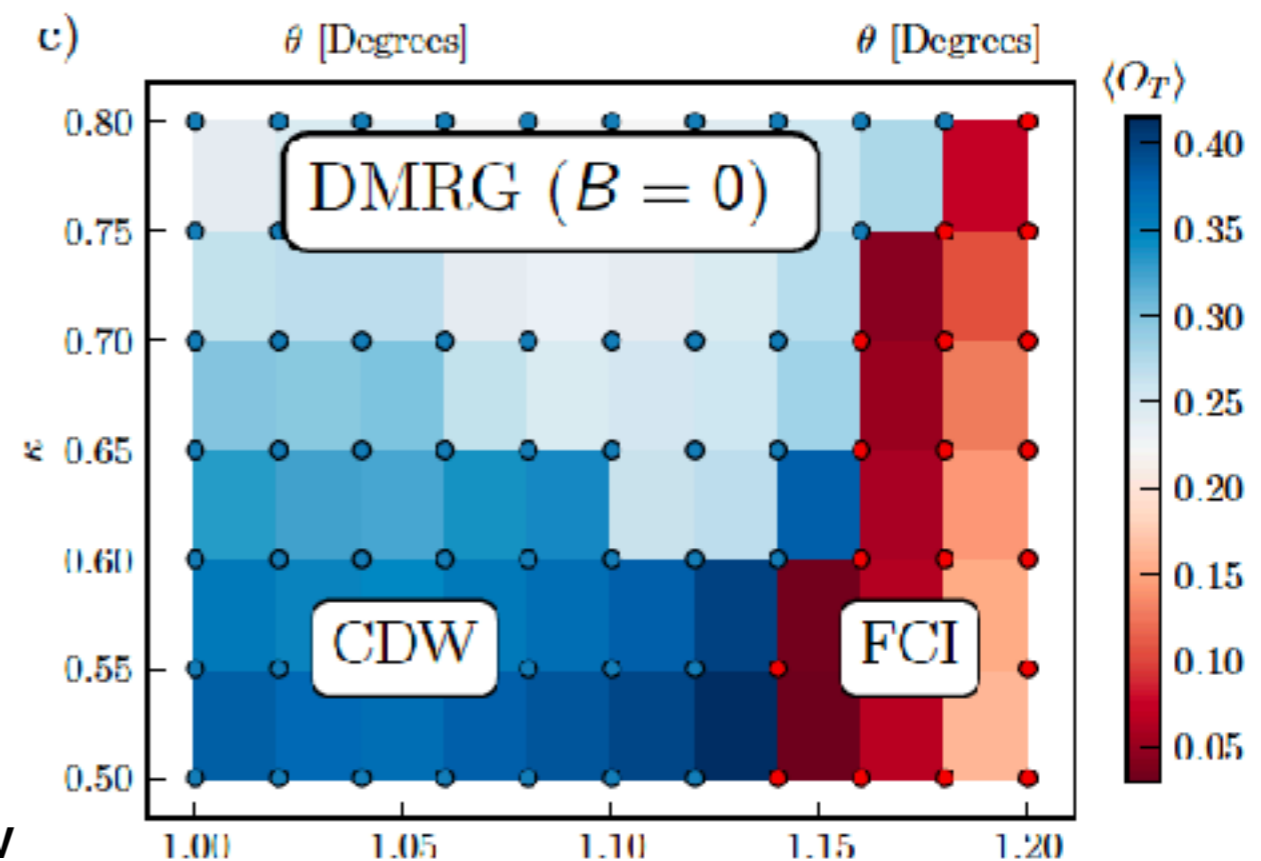
- Small magnetic fields *improves* band geometry and dramatically *reduces* bandwidth.

[arXiv: 2112.13837](https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.13837)

Parker et al, 2021



- **Zero** field FCI?
- DMRG Numerics points to slightly higher angles.



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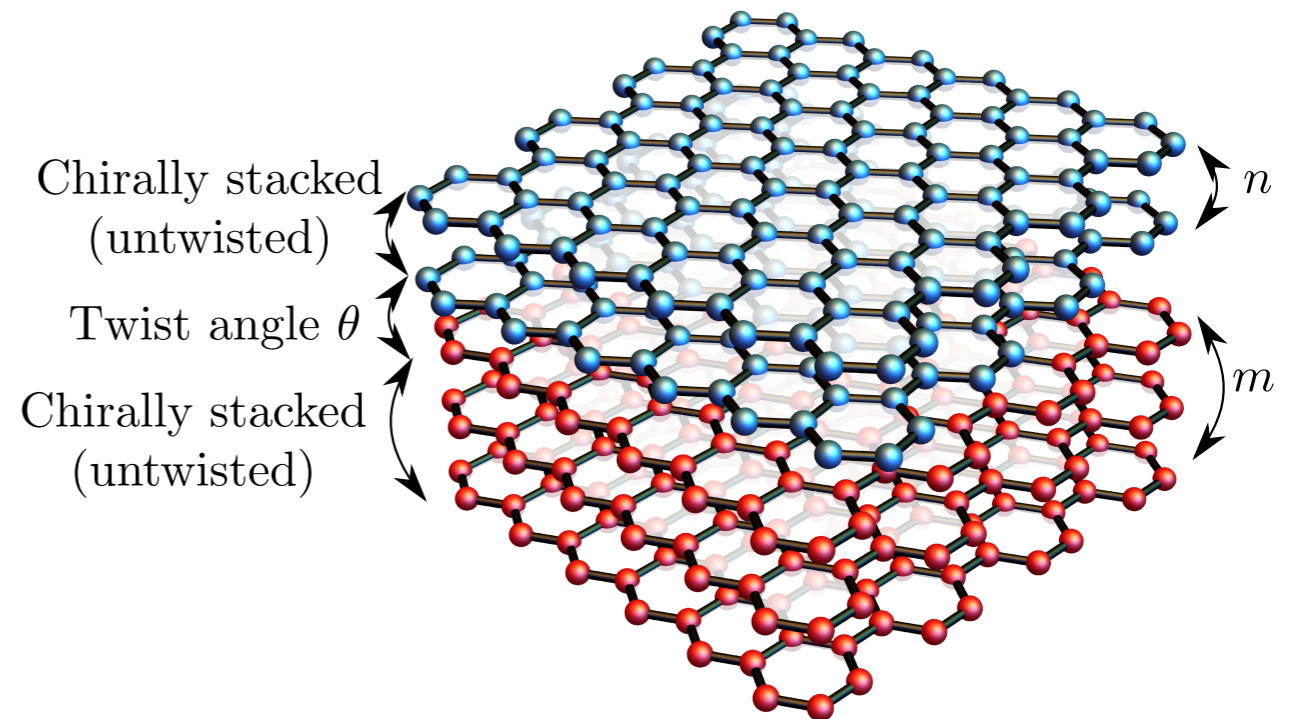


Extend to `beyond' Landau level physics ?

Higher Chern numbers in Chiral Multilayers

Flat & vortexable Chern bands
 Same magic angle as *chiral* TBG
 Any Chern number!

(σ, σ')	Chern A	Chern B
$(+, +)$	n	$-m$
$(-, +)$	1	$-(n + m - 1)$

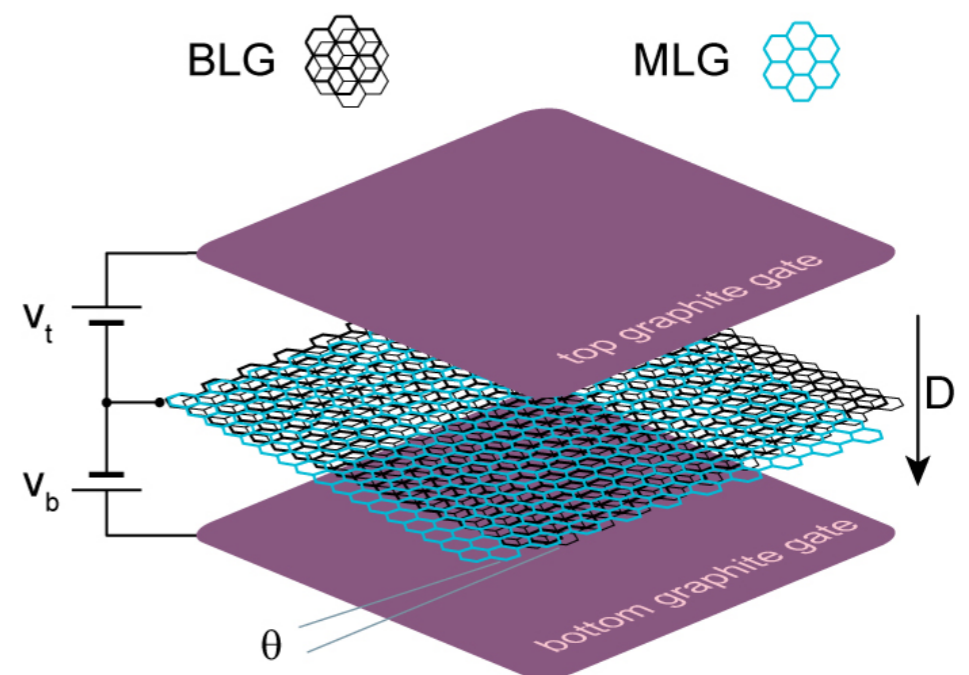


Examples:

Mono-Bi graphene:

$$n=2; m=1$$

$$|C| = 2; 1$$



Experiment:

Polshyn, et al. (Nat. Phys. 2022)

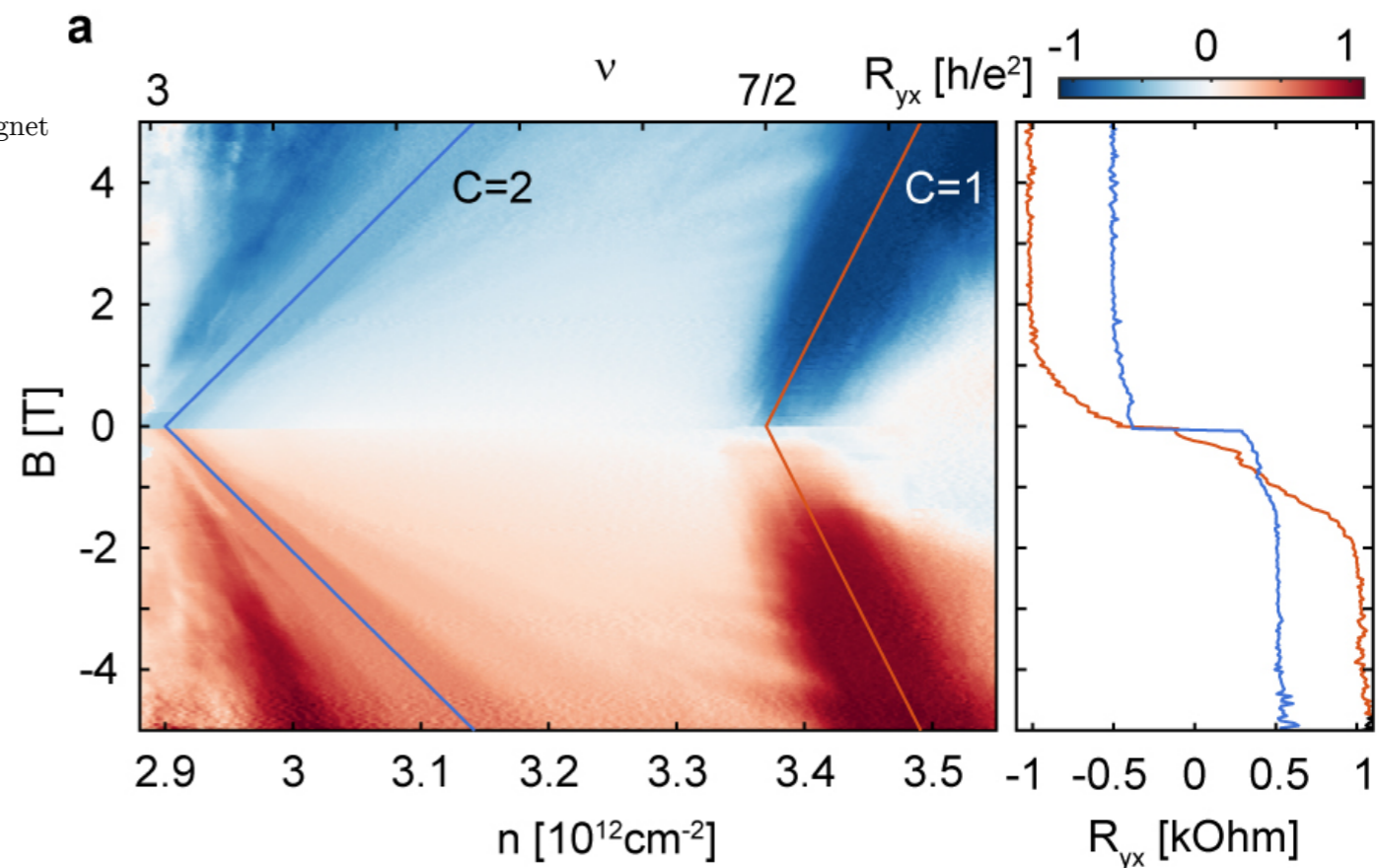
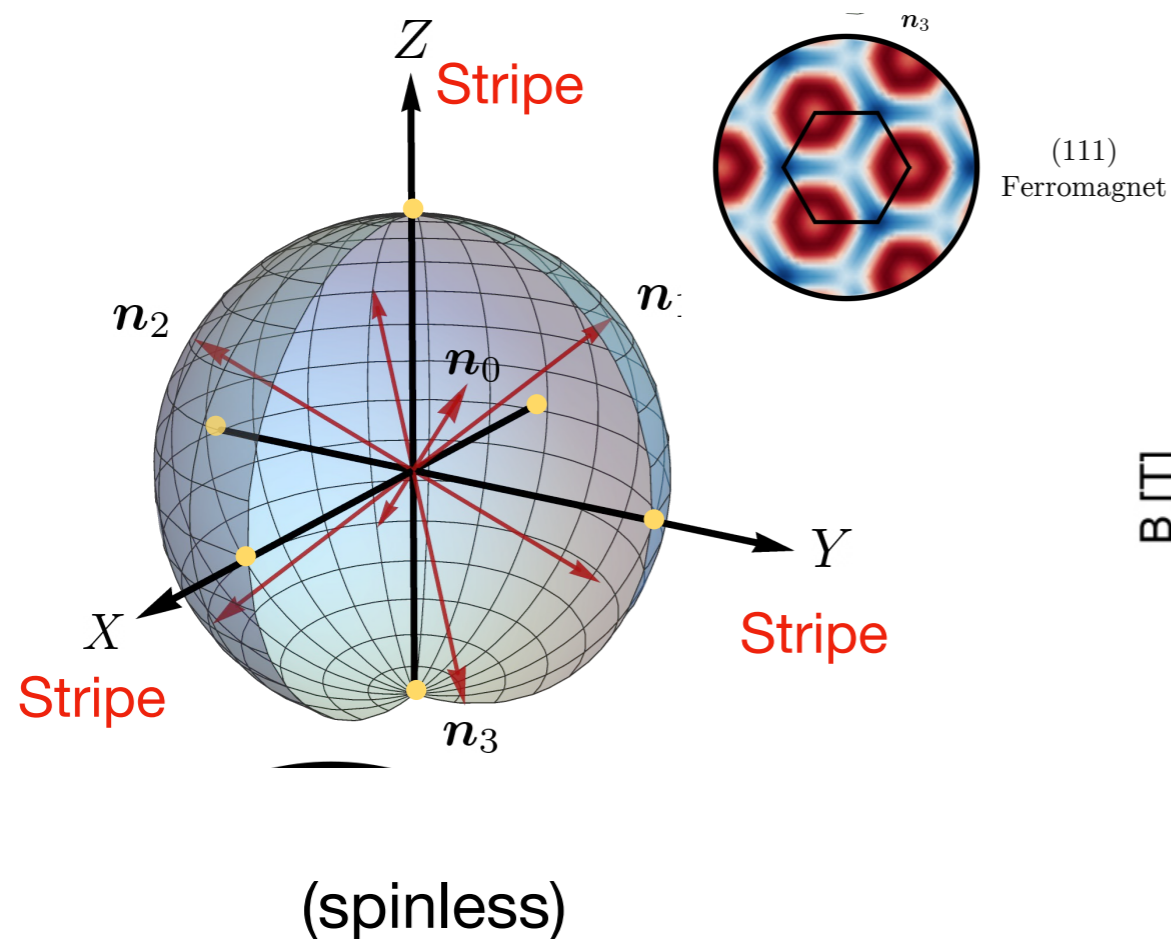
Higher Chern Vortexable Bands

Theory: Chern $C=2$ at *Half* filling:

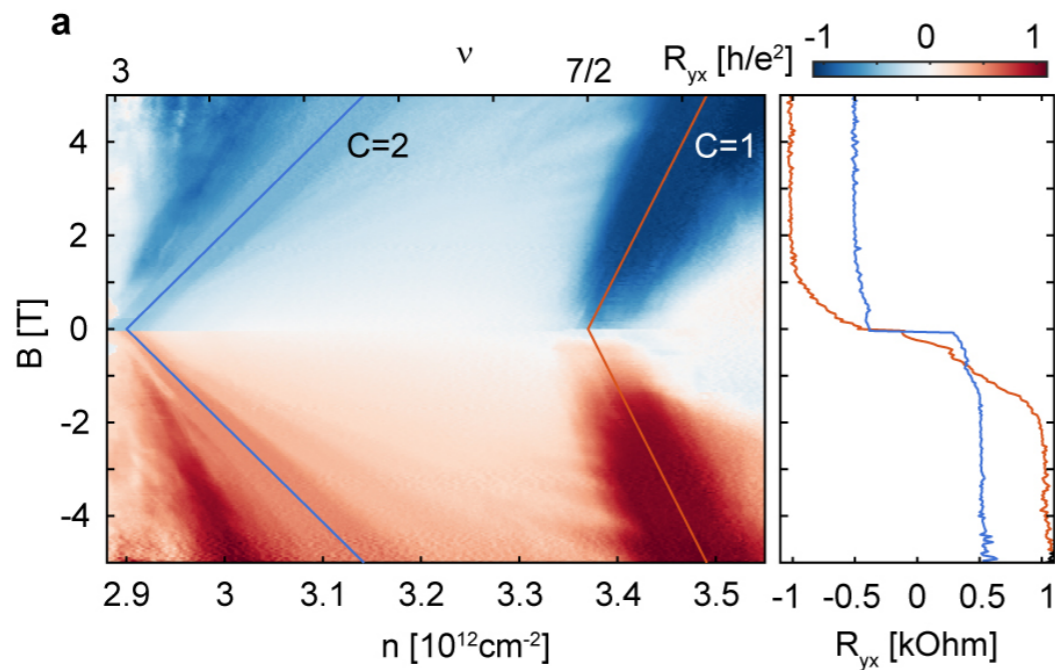
Generalized Ferromagnet (CDW) with $C=1$

Expt: Mono-Bilayer @ $n=3$
spin+valley polarized and $C=2$;

@ $n=3+1/2$ Generalized Ferromagnet
(eg. CDW) with $C=1$

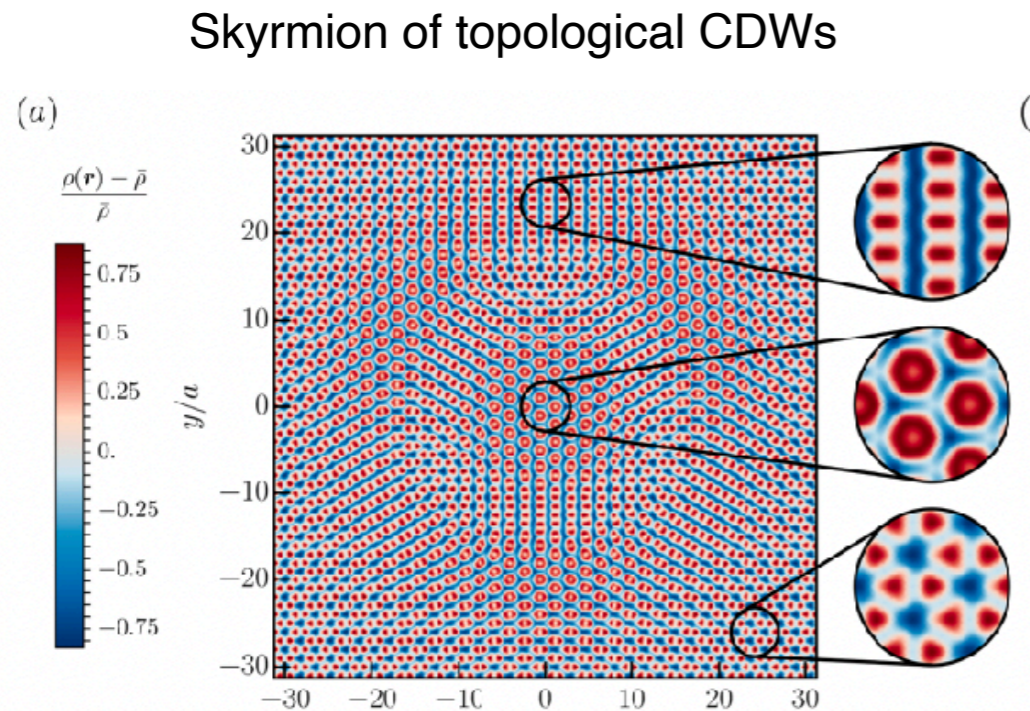


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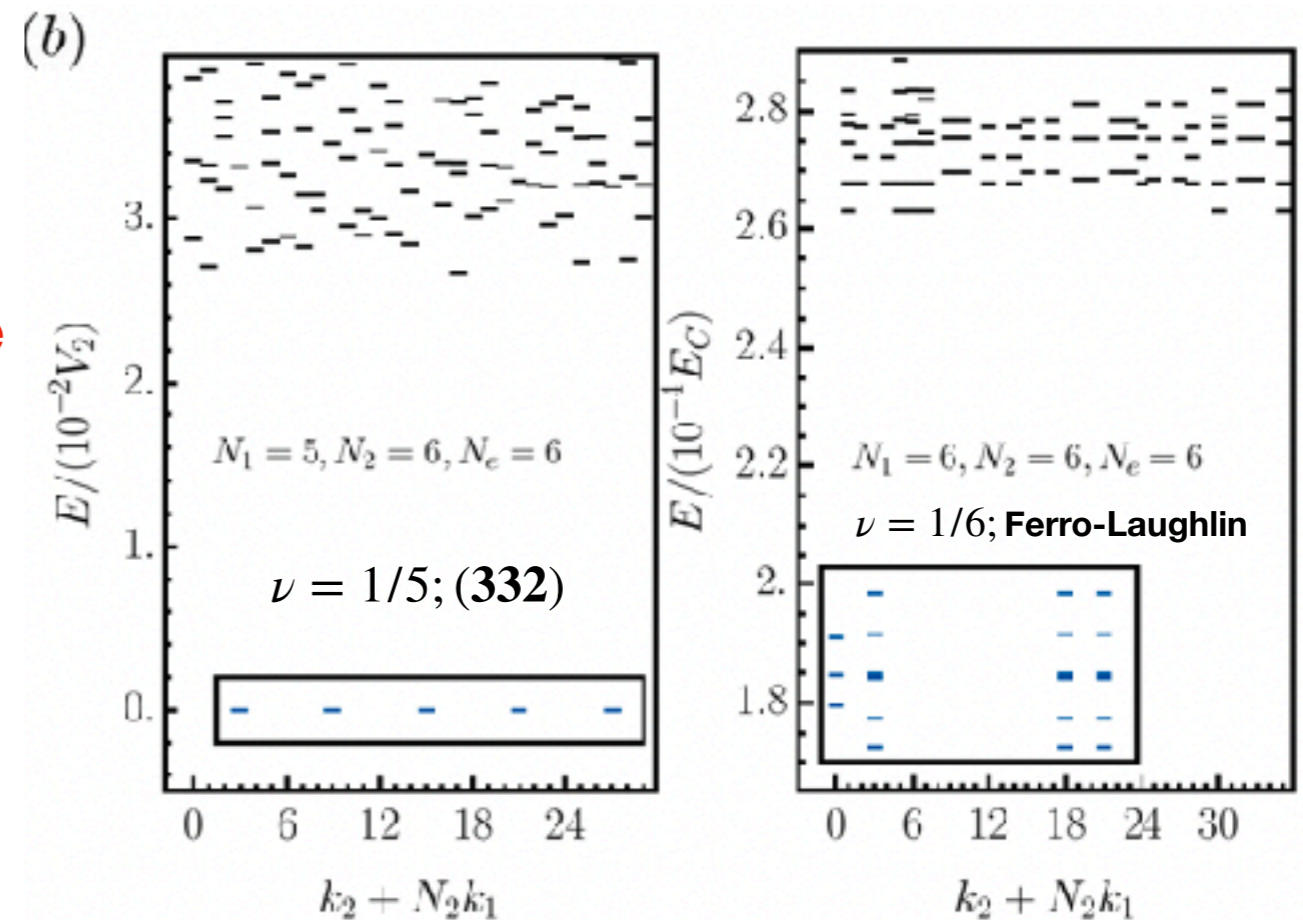


Mono-Bilayer at
 $n=3$ ($C=2$); $n=3+1/2$ ($C=1$)
 Polshyn, et al. (Nat. Phys. 2022)

FCIs from Vortex Attachment



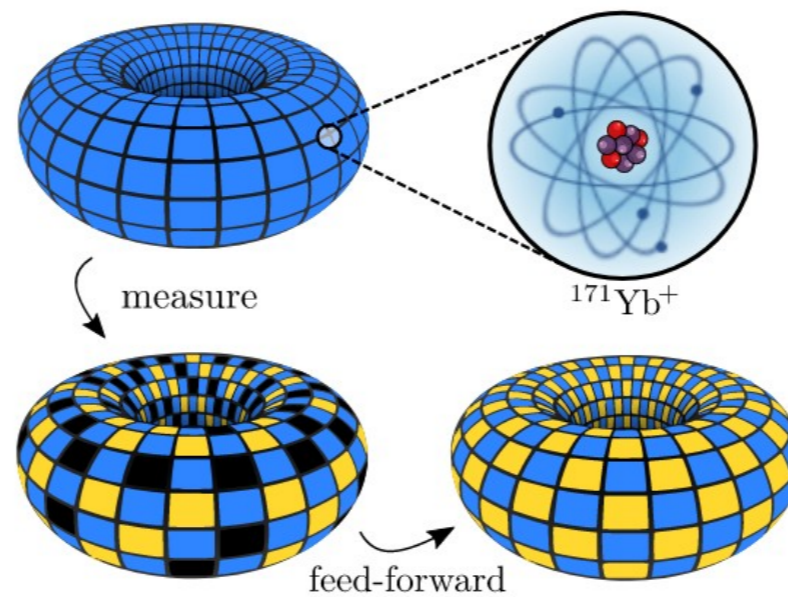
Stripe



Conclusions

- **Vortexability** - starting point for identifying promising FCI candidates. Many physical details + strain + substrate need to be understood
- Can be **generalized**, different vortex functions:
 $\tilde{u}_k = e^{-ik \cdot \phi(r)} \psi_k$: where $\phi(r+a) = \phi(r) + a$
- Higher Chern - can we find states supporting 'genon' non Abelian defects?
- "Nearly Vortexable" bands -periodically strained graphene (Gao-Khalaf et al, Sun et al.) & TMDs (Crepel-Fu, Reppelin, Wang, Cano et al.)
- Towards ideal bands and zero field FCI by relaxation engineering - eg. in alt-twist penta-layer. (Ledwith, Khalaf et al.)

...non-Abelions in synthetic quantum systems



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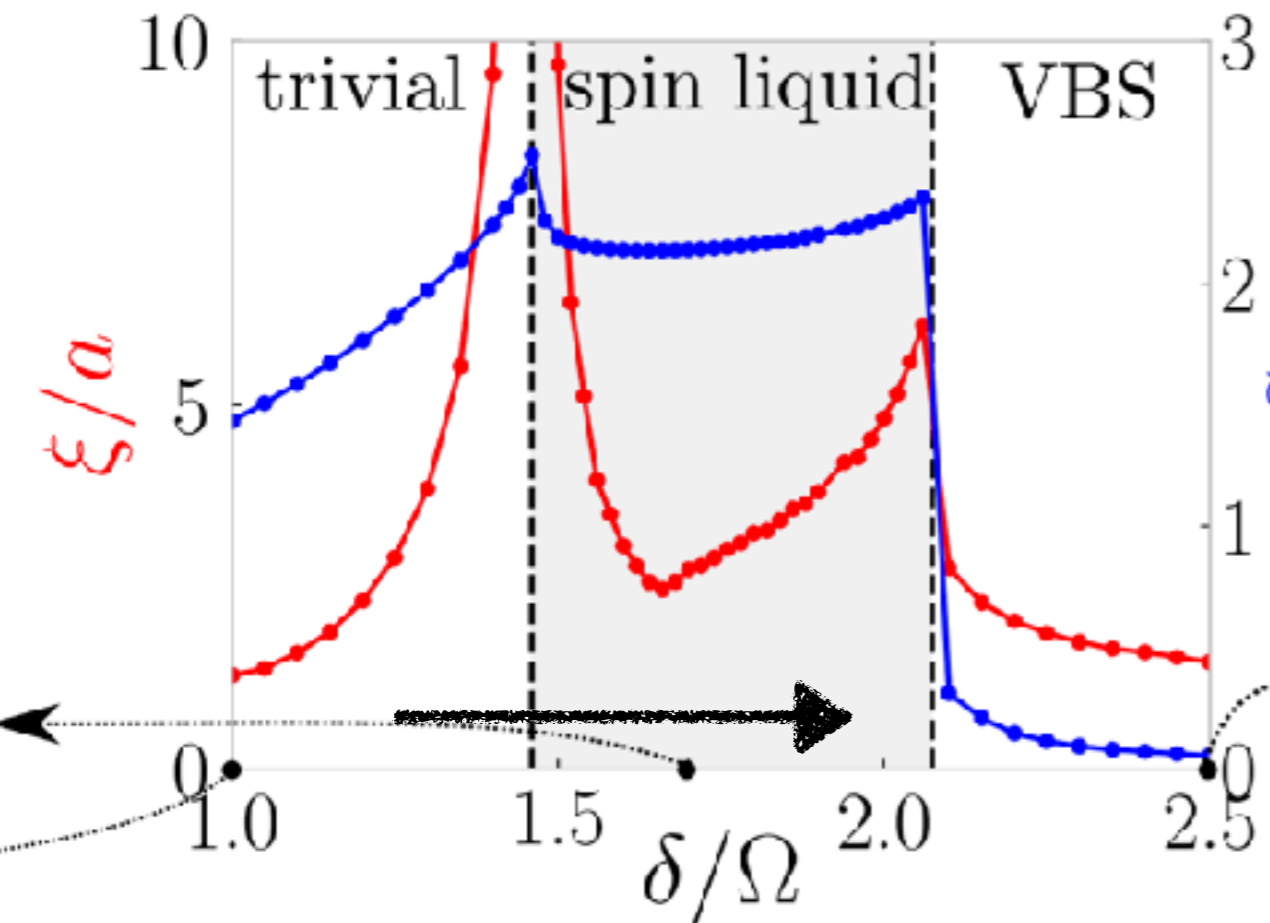


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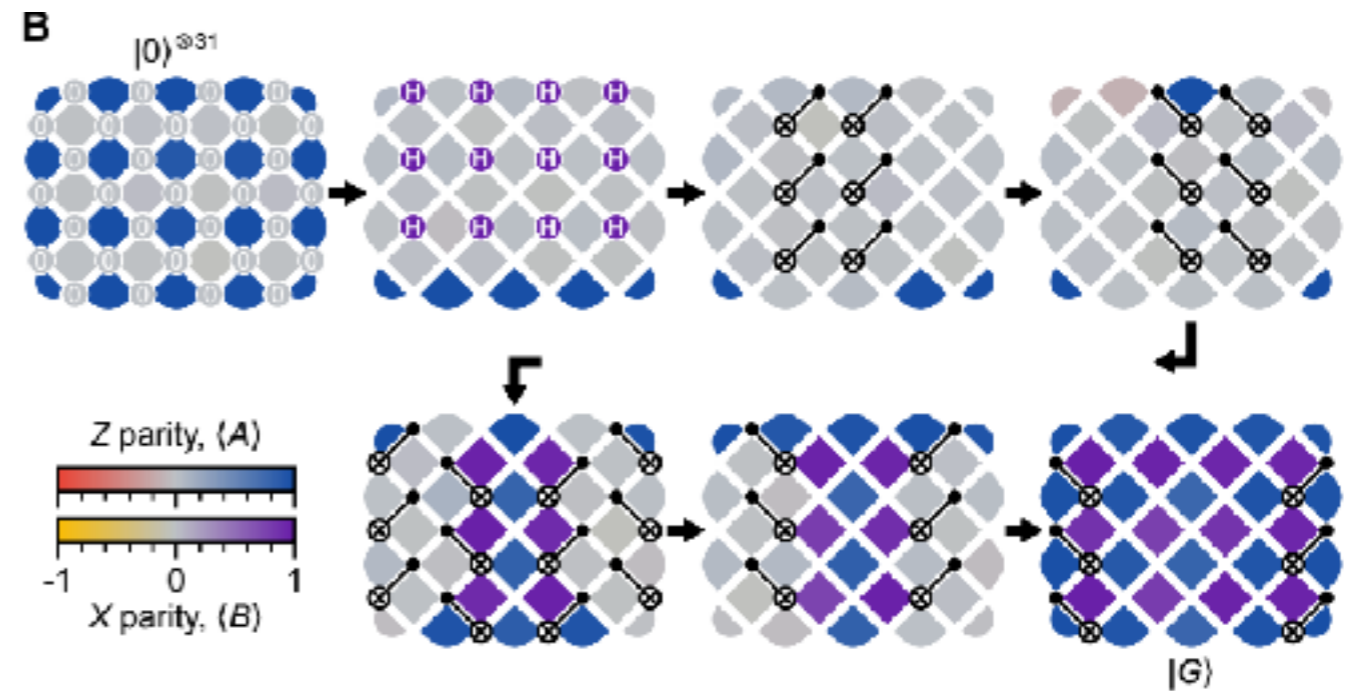


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Preparation of topological phases



Verresen, Lukin, Vishwanath '20
Semeghini et. al. '21



Satzinger et.al. '21

Tune adiabatically through phase transition. Time \propto System size

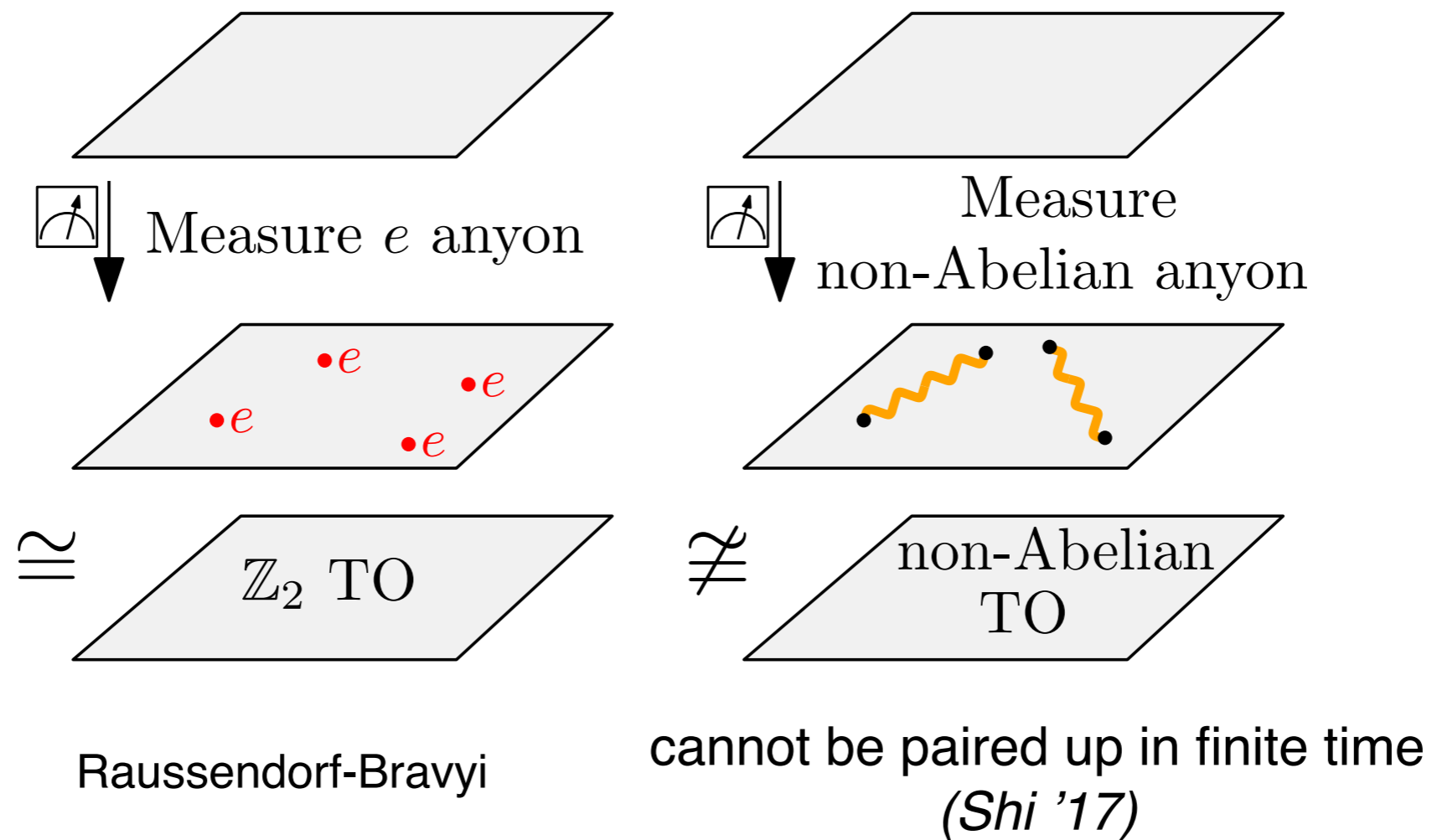
Linear depth circuits required
Bravyi, Hastings, Verstraete '06 ; Chen, Gu Wen '10

It seems that all such preparations are slow (not scalable)?

Efficient Preparation of Non-Abelian states With MEASUREMENT

Non-Abelian anyons allow for **universal** quantum computation (*Kitaev '01, Mochon '03*)

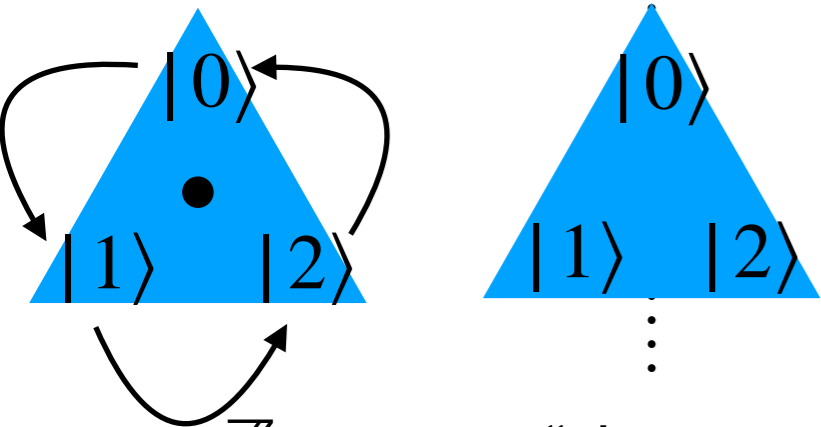
Were believed to be **inaccessible** via measurement!



Solution: sequentially gauge abelian symmetries: pair up abelian anyons in each step

Preparing S_3 topological order

$$\mathbb{Z}_3 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$$



\mathbb{Z}_2 acts as “charge conjugation” \mathcal{C} on qutrit \mathbb{Z}_3

$$\mathcal{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

