Integer Quantum Hall effect

- basics
- theories for the quantization
- disorder in QHS
- Berry phase in QHS
- topology in QHS
- effect of lattice
- effect of spin and electron interaction





Resistance and conductance



$$\begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{xx} & R_{xy} \\ R_{yx} & R_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_x \\ I_y \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} I_x \\ I_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{xx} & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \Sigma_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \end{pmatrix}$$

Note:

$$R_{xx} = \frac{\Sigma_{yy}}{\det \Sigma}$$
 So it's possible to have R_{xx} and Σ_{xx}
simultaneously be zero (provided R_{xy} and Σ_{xy}
are nonzero).

$$3D: \qquad R_{xx} = \rho_{xx} \frac{L}{A} \qquad \qquad R_{yx} \equiv \frac{V_y}{I_x}\Big|_{I_y=0} = \frac{E_y W}{J_x A} = \rho_{yx} \frac{W}{A}$$
$$2D: \qquad R_{xx} = \rho_{xx} \frac{L}{W} \qquad \qquad R_{yx} = \frac{E_y W}{J_x W} = \rho_{yx}$$

Quantum Hall effect

$$\rho_{xx} = 0, \quad \rho_{yx} = const.$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma_{yx} = \frac{R_{yx}}{\det R} = \frac{1}{R_{yx}} = \frac{1}{\rho_{yx}} = \frac{\rho_{yx}}{\det \rho} = \sigma_{yx}$$

Measurement of Hall resistance





(2DEG)

GaAs/AlGaAs heterojunction



Effect of disorder on σ_{xy} (theoretical prediction before 1980)



Si(100) MOS inversion layer

9.8 T, 1.6 K

Ando, Matsumoto, and Uemura JPSJ 1975

Kawaji et al, Supp PTP 1975

Quantum Hall effect (von Klitzing, 1980)





 ρ_{xy} deviates from (h/e²)/n by less than 3 ppm on the very first report.

- This result is independent of the shape/size of sample.
- Different materials lead to the same effect (Si MOSFET, GaAs heterojunction...)

 \rightarrow a very accurate way to measure $\alpha^{-1} = h/e^2c = 137.036$ (no unit)

 \rightarrow a very convenient resistance standard.

An accurate and stable resistance standard (1990)



FIG. 26. Time dependence of the $1-\Omega$ standard resistors maintained at the different national laboratories.



FIG. 27. Ratio R_H/R_R between the quantized Hall resistance R_H and a wire resistor R_R as a function of time. The result is time dependent but independent of the Hall device used in the experiment.

• experiment $\alpha^{-1}(q. \text{ Hall}) = 137.035\,997\,9(32)$ (0.024 ppm), $\alpha^{-1}(\text{acJ}) = 137.035\,977\,0(77)$ (0.056 ppm), $\alpha^{-1}(h/m_n) = 137.036\,010\,82(524)$ (0.039 ppm). • theory $\alpha^{-1}(a_e) = 137.035\,999\,44(57)$ (0.0042 ppm). Kinoshita, Phys. Rev. Lett. 1995

Condensed matter physics is physics of dirt - Pauli

dirty



clean

• Flux quantization



• Quantum Hall effect

• ...

Often protected by topology, but not vice versa.



Quantum Hall effect requires

- Two-dimensional electron gas
- strong magnetic field
- low temperature $(k_B T < \hbar \omega_c)$

Note: Room Temp QHE in graphene (Novoselov et al, Science 2007)



Width of extended states?



256 states in the LLL. ε (Φ) periodic in Φ_0

Aoki 1983



Quantization of Hall conductance, Laughlin's gauge argument (1981)

$$H = \sum_{i} \frac{1}{2m} \left(\vec{p}_{i} + \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}(\vec{r}_{i}) \right)^{2} + V(\vec{r}_{i}) + V_{ee}$$

 \bullet Simulate a longitudinal EMF by a fictitious time-dependent flux Φ

$$j_{x} = \frac{-e}{m} \frac{1}{L_{x}L_{y}} \sum_{i} \left[\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{e}{c} A_{x}(\vec{r}_{i}) \right]$$
$$= -\frac{c}{L_{x}L_{y}} \frac{\partial H}{\partial A_{x}} = -\frac{c}{L_{y}} \frac{\partial H_{\Phi}}{\partial \Phi} \qquad \Phi = A_{x}L_{x}$$

solve $H_{\Phi} \mid \psi_{\Phi} >= E_{\Phi} \mid \psi_{\Phi} >$

By the Hellman-Feynman theorem, one has

$$\langle \psi_{\Phi} \mid \frac{\partial H_{\Phi}}{\partial \Phi} \mid \psi_{\Phi} \rangle = \frac{\partial}{\partial \Phi} \langle \psi_{\Phi} \mid H_{\Phi} \mid \psi_{\Phi} \rangle = \frac{\partial E_{\Phi}}{\partial \Phi}$$

$$\therefore \quad j_{x} = -\frac{c}{L_{y}} \frac{\partial E_{\Phi}}{\partial \Phi}$$



- Due to gauge symmetry, the system needs to be invariant under $\Phi \rightarrow \Phi + \Phi_0$,
- E_F at localized states, no charge transfer whatever Φ is.
- E_F at extended states, only integer charges may transfer along y when Φ is changed by one Φ_{0} .

$$j_x = -c \frac{n(-e)}{\Phi_0} \frac{V_y}{L_y} = n \frac{e^2}{h} E_y$$



Edge state in quantum Hall system

• Classical picture Chiral edge state (skipping orbit)

• Bending of LLs

Gapless excitations at the edges



• Robust against disorder (no back-scattering)



• number of edge modes = n

Inclusion of lattice (more details later)

• Bulk states: $E_n(k_x, k_y)$ (projected to k_y); Edge states: $E_n(k_y)$



- \bullet when the flux is changed by 1 $\Phi_{\rm 0},$ the states should come back.
- \rightarrow Only integer charges can be transported.



• If ν bands are filled, then the number of electrons per unit area is n= ν eB/hc

$$\therefore \sigma_{\rm H} = \nu \, {\rm e}^2/{\rm h}$$

Current response: conductivity

• Vector potential of an uniform electric field

$$\vec{E}(t) = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}(t)}{\partial t}$$
$$\vec{E}(t) = \vec{E}_{\omega} e^{-i\omega t}, \text{ then } \vec{A}(t) = \vec{A}_{\omega} e^{-i\omega t}; \vec{E}_{\omega} = \frac{i\omega}{c} \vec{A}_{\omega}$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2m_0} \left(\vec{p} + \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2 + V_{latt} = H_0 + \frac{e}{m_0 c} \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p} + O(A^2)$$
$$H' = \frac{e}{m_0 c} \vec{p} \cdot \vec{A}_{\omega} e^{-i\omega t}$$

• 1st order perturbation in E \rightarrow $j_{\alpha} = \sigma_{\alpha\beta} E_{\beta}$

$$\sigma_{\alpha\beta}(\omega) = \frac{e^2}{iV} \sum_{\ell m} \frac{f_{\ell} - f_m}{\hbar \omega_{\ell m}} \frac{v_{\ell m}^{\alpha} v_{m\ell}^{\beta}}{\omega_{\ell m} + \omega} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Kubo-Greenwood} \\ \text{formula} \end{array}$$
$$\omega_{\ell m} \equiv \omega_{\ell} - \omega_m, \quad v_{\ell m}^{\alpha} \equiv \left\langle \psi_{\ell} \left| v^{\alpha} \right| \psi_m \right\rangle \end{array}$$

Quantization of Hall conductance

Thouless et al's argument (1982)

$$\sigma_{\alpha\neq\beta}^{DC} = \frac{e^2}{im_0^2} \frac{1}{\hbar V} \sum_{\ell m} f_\ell \frac{p_{\ell m}^{\alpha} p_{m\ell}^{\beta} - p_{\ell m}^{\beta} p_{m\ell}^{\alpha}}{\omega_{\ell m}^2} \qquad \qquad \ell, m = (n, k)$$

$$=\frac{2e^{2}}{i\hbar V}\sum_{nk}f_{nk}\left(\left\langle\frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\alpha}}\left|\frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\beta}}\right\rangle-\left\langle\frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\beta}}\left|\frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\alpha}}\right\rangle\right)\right)$$

• Berry curvature

$$\Omega_{n\gamma}(\vec{k}) \equiv i \left(\left\langle \frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\alpha}} \middle| \frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\beta}} \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\beta}} \middle| \frac{\partial u_{nk}}{\partial k_{\alpha}} \right\rangle \right)$$

 $(\alpha,\beta,\gamma \text{ are cyclic})$

• Hall conductivity for the n-th band

$$\left(\sigma_{H}\right)_{n} = \frac{e^{2}}{h} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{BZ} d^{2}k \left(\Omega_{n}\right)_{z} (\vec{k})\right]$$

an integer for a filled band



$$\frac{p_{\ell m}^{\alpha}}{m_0} = \frac{1}{m_0} \left\langle u_{\ell} \left| \frac{\hbar}{i} \partial_{\alpha} + \hbar k_{\alpha} \right| u_m \right\rangle$$
$$= \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\ell}}{\hbar \partial k_{\alpha}} \delta_{\ell m} + \omega_{\ell m} \left\langle \frac{\partial u_{\ell}}{\partial k_{\alpha}} \right| u_m \right\rangle$$

cell-periodic function u_m

• Berry curvature (for n-th band) $\vec{\Omega}_n(\vec{k}) = i \langle \nabla_{\vec{k}} u_n | \times | \nabla_{\vec{k}} u_n \rangle$ $= \nabla_{\vec{k}} \times \vec{A}_n(\vec{k})$ • Berry connection

$$\vec{A}_n(\vec{k}) \equiv i \left\langle u_n \left| \nabla_{\vec{k}} \right| u_n \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{BZ} d^2 k \, \Omega_z(\vec{k}) = \text{integer } n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Pf:} \quad & \int_{BZ} d^2 k \, \nabla \times \vec{A} \\ &= \int_a^b d\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A} + \int_b^c d\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A} + \int_c^d d\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A} + \int_d^a d\vec{k} \cdot \vec{A} \\ &= \int_{\rightarrow} dk_x \Big[A_x(k_x, 0) - A_x(k_x, g_y) \Big] + \int_{\uparrow} dk_y \Big[A_y(g_x, k_y) - A_y(0, k_y) \Big] \end{aligned}$$

$$u_{\vec{k}} = e^{i\theta_1(k_y)} u_{\vec{k}+g_x\hat{x}}, \quad u_{\vec{k}} = e^{i\theta_2(k_x)} u_{\vec{k}+g_y\hat{y}}$$
$$\int_{\rightarrow} dk_x \Big[A_x(k_x,0) - A_x(k_x,g_y) \Big] = \theta_2(a) - \theta_2(b)$$
$$\cdots \quad \text{etc}$$

Zeros and vortices

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ΒZ





• Niu-Thouless-Wu generalization to system with disorder and electron interaction (PRB 1985).

Czerwinski and Brown, PRS (London) 1991

Connection with localization in disordered system (Anderson, 1958)



 All wave functions of disordered systems in 1D and 2D are localized.

This analysis does not apply to the QHS, since the extended states are crucial there.

• QHE belongs to a new class of disordered systems.



"Random" Gaps. The statistics of nearest-neighbor spacings range from random to uniform (<'s indicate spacings too close for the figure to resolve). The second column shows the primes from 7,791,097 to 7,791,877. The third column shows energy levels for an excited heavy (Erbium) nucleus. The fourth column is a "length spectrum" of periodic trajectories for Sinai billiards. The fifth column is a spectrum of zeroes of the Riemann zeta function. (Figure courtesy of Springer-Verlag New York, Inc., "Chaotic motion and random matrix theories" by O. Bohigas and M. J. Giannoni in Mathematical and Computational Methods in Nuclear Physics, J. M. Gomez et al., eds., Lecture Notes in Physics, volume 209 (1984), pp. 1–99.)

Spectral distribution of random matrix (rank N>>1)

- eigenvalues E_i
- mean level spacing $d_1 = \langle E_{i+1} E_i \rangle$ (taking ensemble average)
- spacing between NN s= $(E_{i+1}-E_i)/d_1$
- P(s): distribution function of s
- spectral rigidity: P(0)=0
- level repulsion: $P(s << 1) \sim s^{\beta}$



Wigner-Dyson classes

TABLE I. Summary of Dyson's threefold way. The Hermitian matrix \mathcal{H} (and its matrix of eigenvectors U) are classified by an index $\beta \in \{1,2,4\}$, depending on the presence or absence of time-reversal (TRS) and spin-rotation (SRS) symmetry.

Altland-Zirnbauer classes

	β	TRS	SRS	\mathcal{H}_{nm}	U	
GOE	1	yes	yes	real	orthogonal	Α
GUE	2	no	irrelevant	complex	unitary	Α
GSE	4	yes	no	real quaternion	symplectic	Α



Quantization of magnetic monopole (see Sakurai Sec 2.6)



• Vector potential (use 2 "atlas" to avoid Dirac string)

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{A}^{N} = g \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{r \sin \theta} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\varphi} \implies 0 \le \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ \mathbf{A}^{S} = -g \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{r \sin \theta} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\varphi} \implies \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \theta \le \pi \end{cases}$$

• gauge transformation between 2 atlas

$$\vec{A}^{N} - \vec{A}^{S} = -ie^{-2ig\varphi} \nabla e^{2ig\varphi}$$
$$\psi^{N} = \psi^{S} e^{2ieg/\hbar c \cdot \varphi}$$

 \rightarrow monopole charge is quantized

$$\frac{2eg}{\hbar c} = n$$

Note:

$$\nabla f = \hat{r}\frac{\partial f}{\partial r} + \hat{\theta}\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} + \hat{\phi}\frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi}$$
$$\nabla \times u = \hat{r}\frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(u_{\phi}\sin\theta) - \frac{\partial u_{\theta}}{\partial \phi}\right] + \hat{\theta}\frac{1}{r}\left[\frac{1}{\sin\theta}\frac{\partial u_{r}}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial}{\partial r}(ru_{\phi})\right] + \hat{\phi}\frac{1}{r}\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(ru_{\theta}) - \frac{\partial u_{r}}{\partial \theta}\right]$$

Analogy in QH system

- Gauge transformation
- $u'_{k_1k_2}(x, y) = u_{k_1k_2}(x, y) \exp[if(k_1, k_2)]$ $\hat{A}'(k_1, k_2) = \hat{A}(k_1, k_2) + i\nabla_k f(k_1, k_2)$

• Two atlases

$$|u_{k_1k_2}^{\mathrm{II}}\rangle = \exp[i\chi(k_1, k_2)]|u_{k_1k_2}^{\mathrm{II}}\rangle$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathrm{II}}(k_1, k_2) = \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathrm{I}}(k_1, k_2) + i\nabla_k\chi(k_1, k_2)$$



$$\sigma_{xy}^{(\alpha)} = \frac{e^2}{h} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left\{ \int_{H_I} d^2 k [\nabla_k \times \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathrm{I}}(k_1, k_2)]_3 + \int_{H_{\mathrm{II}}} d^2 k [\nabla_k \times \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathrm{II}}(k_1, k_2)]_3 \right\}$$
$$= \frac{e^2}{h} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial H} d\mathbf{k} \cdot [\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathrm{I}}(k_1, k_2) - \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathrm{II}}(k_1, k_2)] = \frac{e^2}{h} n$$

Kohmoto, Ann. Phys, 1985

Connection with Berry phase

First, a brief review of Berry phase:



$$H(\vec{r}, \vec{p}; \{\vec{R}_i, \vec{P}_i\})$$

electron; {nuclei}

nuclei move thousands of times slower than the electron

Instead of solving time-dependent Schroedinger eq., one uses

Born-Oppenheimer approximation

• "Slow variables R_i " are treated as parameters $\lambda(t)$

(Kinetic energies from P_i are neglected)

• solve time-independent Schroedinger eq.

$$H(\vec{r},\vec{p};\vec{\lambda})\psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}}(\vec{x}) = E_{n,\vec{\lambda}}\psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}}(\vec{x})$$

"snapshot" solution

Adiabatic evolution of a quantum system $H(\vec{r}, \vec{p}; \vec{\lambda})$

• Energy spectrum:





$$\lambda(T) = \lambda(0)$$

$$\psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}(T)} = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^T dt' E_n(t')} \psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}(0)}$$
Dynamical phase

• Phases of the snapshot states at different λ 's are independent and can be arbitrarily assigned

$$\psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}(t)} \to e^{i\gamma_n(\vec{\lambda})} \psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}(t)}$$

• Do we need to worry about this phase?

- **No!** Fock, Z. Phys 1928
 - Schiff, Quantum Mechanics (3rd ed.) p.290
- Pf: Consider the *n*-th level,

$$\Psi_{\vec{\lambda}}(t) = e^{i\gamma_{n}(\vec{\lambda})} e^{-i\int_{0}^{t} dt' E_{n}(t')} \Psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}}$$

$$H\Psi_{\vec{\lambda}}(t) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi_{\vec{\lambda}}(t)$$

$$\Psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}} = E_{n}\Psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}}$$

$$\psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}} = e^{i\phi_{n}(\vec{\lambda})} \Psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}}$$

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$$\Psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}} = A_{n}(\lambda) - \frac{\partial\phi_{n}}{\partial\vec{\lambda}}$$

Stationary, snapshot state

$$H\Psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}} = E_{n}\Psi_{n,\vec{\lambda}}$$

Choose a ϕ (λ) such that,

$$A_n'(\lambda)=0$$
 Thus removing the extra phase

• One problem:
$$\nabla_{\vec{\lambda}} \phi = \vec{A}(\vec{\lambda})$$
 do we

does not always have a well-defined (global) solution.



- Parameter-dependent phase
 NOT always removable!
- $\psi_{\vec{\lambda}(T)} = e^{i\gamma_C} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^T dt' E(t')} \psi_{\vec{\lambda}(0)}$
- Index *n* neglected
- Berry phase (path dependent) $\gamma_C = \oint_C \left\langle \psi_{\vec{\lambda}} \middle| i \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{\lambda}} \middle| \psi_{\vec{\lambda}} \right\rangle \cdot d\vec{\lambda} \neq 0$

Some terminology

- Berry connection (or Berry potential)
 - $\vec{A}(\vec{\lambda}) \equiv i \left\langle \psi_{\vec{\lambda}} \middle| \nabla_{\lambda} \middle| \psi_{\vec{\lambda}} \right\rangle \qquad \lambda \rightarrow k \text{ in QHS}$
- Stokes theorem (3-dim here, can be higher)

$$\gamma_C = \oint_C \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{\lambda} = \int_S \nabla_{\vec{\lambda}} \times \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

Berry curvature (or Berry field)

$$\vec{F}(\vec{\lambda}) \equiv \nabla_{\lambda} \times \vec{A}(\vec{\lambda}) = i \left\langle \nabla_{\lambda} \psi_{\vec{\lambda}} \right| \times \left| \nabla_{\lambda} \psi_{\vec{\lambda}} \right\rangle$$

- Gauge transformation
 - $|\psi_{\vec{\lambda}}\rangle \rightarrow e^{i\phi(\vec{\lambda})}|\psi_{\vec{\lambda}}\rangle$
 - $\vec{A}(\vec{\lambda}) \rightarrow \vec{A}(\vec{\lambda}) \nabla_{\lambda} \phi$
 - $\vec{F}(\vec{\lambda}) \rightarrow \vec{F}(\vec{\lambda})$
 - $\gamma_C \rightarrow \gamma_C$

Redefine the phases of the snapshot states

Berry curvature and Berry phase are gauge invariant





• Real space





Level crossing at *B*=0



Berry curvature

• Parameter space

$$\vec{F}_{\pm}(\vec{B}) = i \left\langle \nabla_{B} \psi_{\pm,\vec{B}} \right| \times \left| \nabla_{B} \psi_{\pm,\vec{B}} \right\rangle = \mp \frac{1}{2} \frac{\hat{B}}{B^{2}}$$

Berry phase

$$\gamma_{\pm} = \int_{S} \vec{F}_{\pm} \cdot d\vec{a} = \mp \frac{1}{2} \Omega(C)$$

spin × solid angle

Examples of the Berry phase:



Magnetic monopole / Berry phase / fiber bundle

in real space	in parameter space	U(1) fiber bundle
Vector potential	Berry connection	connection
$ec{A}(ec{r})$	$\vec{A}(\vec{k}) \equiv i \left\langle \psi_{\lambda} \right \nabla_{\lambda} \left \psi_{\lambda} \right\rangle$	Α
Magnetic field	Berry curvature (in 3D)	curvature
$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) \equiv \nabla \times \vec{A}(\vec{r})$	$\vec{F}(\vec{\lambda}) \equiv \nabla_{\lambda} \times \vec{A}(\vec{\lambda})$	F
Magnetic flux	Berry phase	horizontal lift
$\Phi = \int_C \vec{A}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{r}$	$\gamma_C = \int_C \vec{A}(\vec{\lambda}) \cdot d\vec{\lambda}$	(along a U(1) fiber)
$=\int_{S}\vec{B}\cdot d\vec{a}$	$= \int_{S} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{a}$	γ
Monopole charge	Total curvature	1st Chern number
$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \vec{B}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{a} = \text{integer}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int \vec{F}(\vec{\lambda}) \cdot d\vec{a} = \text{integer}$	C ₁
	(QHE: $\lambda \rightarrow \mathbf{k}$ in BZ)	

Connection with geometry

First, a brief review of topology:

- 外在 extrinsic curvature K vs
- 內在 intrinsic (Gaussian) curvature G



Positive and negative

Gaussian curvature

- Berry phase = anholonomy angle in differential geometry
- Berry curvature = Gaussian curvature

The most beautiful theorem in differential topology

• Gauss-Bonnet theorem (for a 2-dim closed surface)

$$\int_{M} da \ G = 2\pi \chi(M), \quad \chi = 2(1-g)$$
Euler characteristic
strike



• Gauss-Bonnet theorem (for a surface with boundary)

$$\int_{M} da \ G + \int_{\partial M} ds \ k_{g} = 2\pi \ \chi(M, \partial M)$$

• Can be generalized to higher dimension.



Marder, Phys Today, Feb 2007

Fiber bundle: a generalization of product space



- In physics, a fiber bundle ~ Physical space × Inner space
- In QHS, we have $T^2 \times U(1)$

base R^1

fiber R^1

(spin, gauge field...)

- The topology of a fiber bundle is classified by Chern numbers
- \sim the topology of a closed surface is classified by Euler characteristics

Lattice electron in a magnetic field: magnetic translation symmetry

consider a uniform B field

$$\left\{\frac{1}{2m}[\boldsymbol{p} + e\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r})]^2 + V_L(\boldsymbol{r})\right\}\psi(\boldsymbol{r}) = E\psi(\boldsymbol{r})$$

$$\longrightarrow \left\{\frac{1}{2m}[\boldsymbol{p} + e\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r} + \boldsymbol{a})]^2 + V_L(\boldsymbol{r})\right\}\psi(\boldsymbol{r} + \boldsymbol{a}) = E\psi(\boldsymbol{r} + \boldsymbol{a})$$



where $V_L(\mathbf{r}+\mathbf{a}) = V_L(\mathbf{r})$ has been used. One can write

 $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}+\mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) + \nabla f(\mathbf{r}),$ where $\nabla f(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}) - \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \Delta \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{a})$.

$$f = \Delta A \cdot r$$

Indep of r

Magnetic translation operator

$$T_a\psi(\mathbf{r}) = e^{i(e/\hbar)\Delta A \cdot \mathbf{r}}\psi(\mathbf{r}+\mathbf{a})$$

The extra vector potential ∇f can be removed by a gauge transformation,

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2m} [\boldsymbol{p} + e\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r})]^2 + V_L(\boldsymbol{r}) \\ = Ee^{i(e/\hbar)f} \psi(\boldsymbol{r} + \boldsymbol{a}). \end{cases}$$

$$[H, T_a] = 0$$
$$T_{a_2} T_{a_1} = T_{a_1} T_{a_2} \exp\left(i\frac{e}{\hbar} \oint \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{r}\right)$$

Commute if this is 1

Xiao et al, RMP 2010

Simultaneous eigenstates: magnetic Bloch states

$$\begin{split} H\psi_{nk} &= E_{nk}\psi_{nk}, \\ T_{qa_1}\psi_{nk} &= e^{ik\cdot qa_1}\psi_{nk}, \\ T_{a_2}\psi_{nk} &= e^{ik\cdot a_2}\psi_{nk}. \end{split}$$

• If $\Phi = (p/q) \Phi_0$ per plaquette, then Magnetic Brillouin zone = BZ/q. e.g., p/q=1/3



Hofstadter spectrum

Band structure of a 2DEG subjects to both a periodic potential V(x,y) and a magnetic field B.

$$\left\{\frac{1}{2m}[\boldsymbol{p}+e\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{r})]^2+V_L(\boldsymbol{r})\right\}\psi(\boldsymbol{r})=E\psi(\boldsymbol{r})$$



□ Can be studied using the tight-binding model (TBM).

□ Surprisingly complex spectrum! Split of energy band depends on flux/plaquette. If $\Phi_{plaq}/\Phi_0 = p/q$, where p, q are co-prime integers, then a Bloch band splits to q subbands (for TBM).

 \Box The tricky part:

$$\frac{1}{3 - \frac{1}{10}} = \frac{10}{29} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{87}$$

q=3 \rightarrow q=29 upon a small change of B! Also, when B \rightarrow 0, q can be very large. Hofstadter's butterfly (Hofstadter, PRB 1976)

• A fractal spectrum with self-similarity structure



 $B \rightarrow 0$ near band button, evenly-spaced LLs

• The total band width for an irrational q is of measure zero (as in a Cantor set).

Pulitzer 1980

Pulitzer Prize Winner 20th anniversary Edition With a new preface by the author





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(Thouless et al PRL 1982)	p/q	$(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_q)$ in units of $e^{2/h}$	
 Diophantine equation 	 Streda formula 	1/3	(1,-2,1)
$r = pt_r + qs_r$	$\sigma_{H} = ec \frac{\partial n}{\partial B}$		
e.g., $p / q = 2 / 5$ $r = 2t_r + 5s_r$	$n = \frac{N_{tot}}{A_{tot}} \frac{r}{q} = \frac{1}{A_{plaa}} \frac{r}{q}$	2/3	(-1,2,-1)
5 = 2(0) + 5(1) 4 = 2(2) + 5(0)	$\frac{p}{a} = \frac{BA_{plaq}}{hc/e}$	1/4	(1,1,-3,1)
3 = 2(-1) + 5(1) 2 = 2(1) + 5(0)	$\therefore \sigma_H = t_r$	1/5	(1,1,-4,1,1)
1 = 2(-2) + 5(1) 0 = 2(0) + 5(0)		2/5	(-23-23-2)

for rectangular lattice:
 s_r should be as small as possible

• for triangular lattice: s_r and t_r cannot both be odd (Thouless, Surf Sci 1984) • for weak magnetic field:

 $(\sigma_{\rm H})_{\rm r} = t_{\rm r} - t_{\rm r-1}$

• for strong magnetic field: (σ_{H})_r = s_r - s_{r-1}

See Xiao et al RMP 2010 for another derivation

p/q	$(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_q),$ in units of $e^{2/h}$		
1/3	(1,-2,1)	0.267949 →	(1,1,-2)
		$\xrightarrow{1.0}$	(1,1,-2)
2/3	(-1,2,-1)	$0.267949 \rightarrow$	(2,-1,-1)
		$\xrightarrow{1.0}$	(2,-1,-1)
1/4	(1,1,-3,1)	$0.382683 \rightarrow$	(1,1,1,-3)
		0.707107	(1,1,1,-3)
		0.92388 →	(1,-3,5,-3)
1/5	(1,1,-4,1,1)	0.21296	(1,1,1,-4,1)
		0.432325 \rightarrow	(1,1,1,1,-4)
		0.618034 →	(1,1,1,1,-4)
		$0.685096 \rightarrow$	(1,1,-4,6,-4)
2/5	(-2,3,-2,3,-2)	0.413418 \rightarrow	(-2,3,3,-2,-2)
		0.618034 \rightarrow	(-2,3,3,-2,-2)
		0.743729	(-2,3,3,-7,3)





FIG. 3. The local energy dispersion $\mathcal{E}_n(\mathbf{k})$ near the degenerate point at (a) $t_{xy}^* \approx 0.267\,949$ and (b) $t_{xy}^* = 1.0$ (for a magnetic flux $\phi = 1/3$). Because of the threefold degeneracy in a MBZ, only one-third of the MBZ is shown.

Lattice with edges

• Energy dispersion of edge states



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