

Hidden Symmetry and Quantum Phases in Spin 3/2 Cold Atomic Systems

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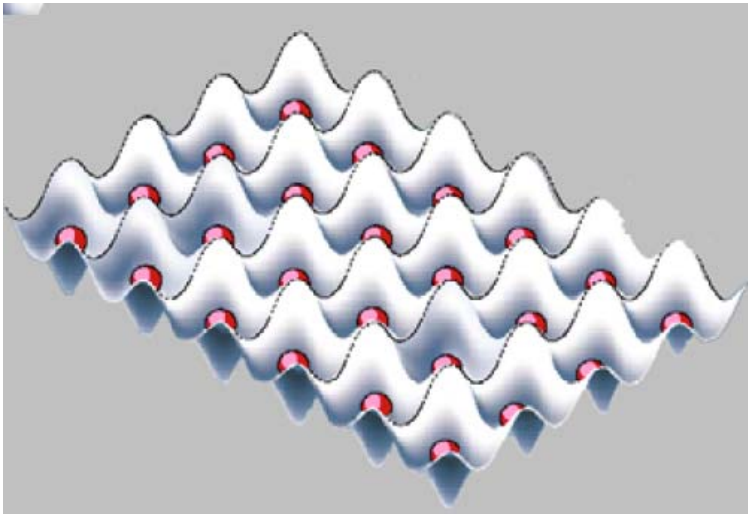
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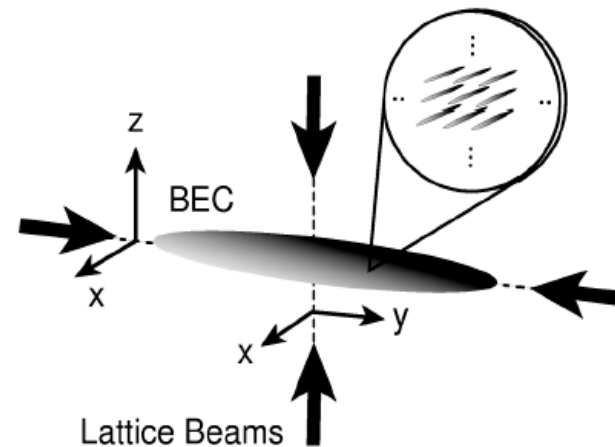
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Rapid progress in cold atomic physics



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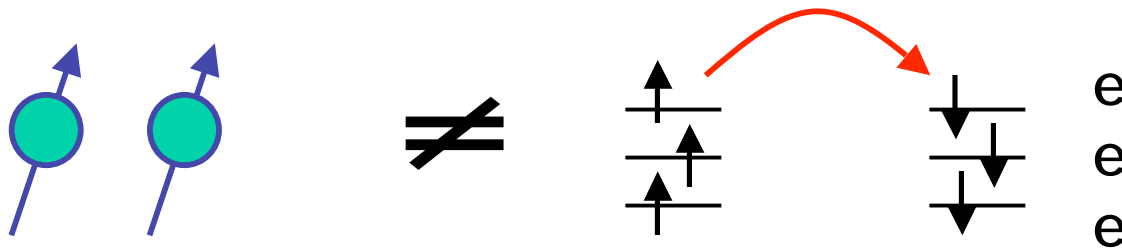
- Magnetic traps: spin degrees of freedom are frozen.
- Optical traps and lattices: spin degrees of freedom are released; a controllable way to study high spin physics.
- In optical lattices, interaction effects are adjustable. New opportunity to study strongly correlated high spin systems.

High spin physics with cold atoms

- Most atoms have high hyperfine spin multiplets.

$$F = I \text{ (nuclear spin)} + S \text{ (electron spin)}.$$

- Different from high spin transition metal compounds.



- Spin-1 bosons: ^{23}Na (antiferro), ^{87}Rb (ferromagnetic).

- High spin fermions: zero sounds and Cooper pairing structures.

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Hidden symmetry: spin-3/2 atomic systems are special!

- Spin 3/2 atoms: ^{132}Cs , ^9Be , ^{135}Ba , ^{137}Ba , ^{201}Hg .
- Hidden **SO(5)** symmetry without fine tuning!

Continuum model (s-wave scattering); the lattice-Hubbard model.

Exact symmetry regardless of the dimensionality, lattice geometry, impurity potentials.

SO(5) in spin 3/2 systems \leftrightarrow SU(2) in spin 1/2 systems

- This SO(5) symmetry is qualitatively **different** from the SO(5) theory of high T_c superconductivity.

What is SO(5)/Sp(4) group?

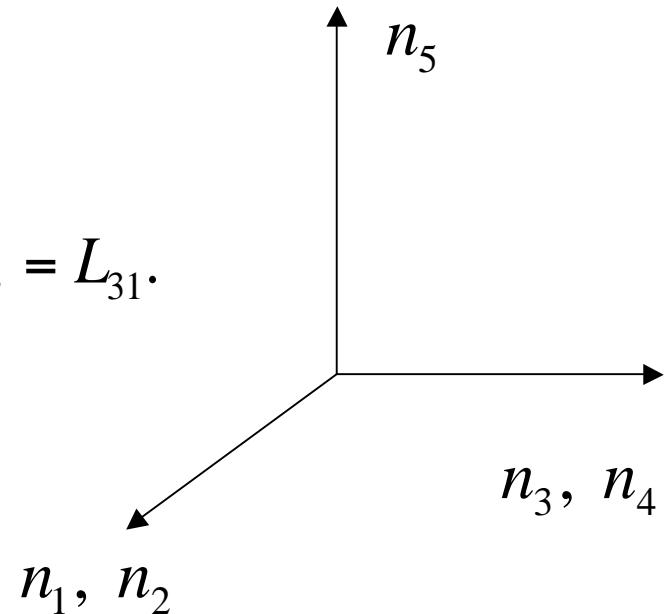
- SO(3) /SU(2) group.

3-vector: x, y, z .

3-generator: $L_z = L_{12}, L_x = L_{23}, L_y = L_{31}$.

2-spinor: $|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle$

- SO(5) /Sp(4) group.



5-vector: n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, n_5

10-generator: $L_{ab} (1 \leq a < b \leq 5)$

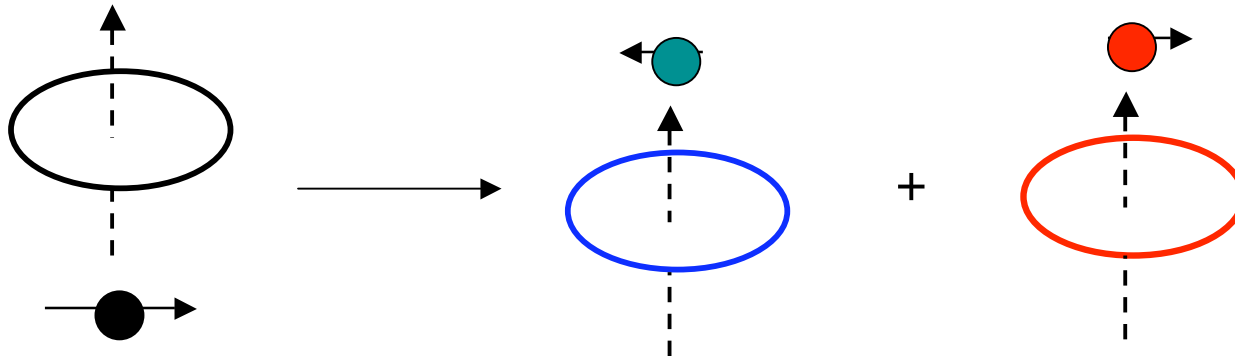
4-spinor: $\uparrow \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \uparrow \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \downarrow \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \downarrow \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle$

Quintet superfluidity and half-quantum vortex

- High symmetries do not occur frequently in nature, since every new symmetry brings with itself a possibility of new physics, they deserve attention.

---D. Controzzi and A. M. Tsvelik, cond-mat/0510505

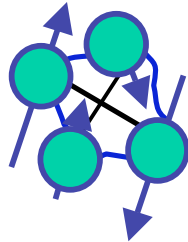
- Cooper pairing with $S_{\text{pair}}=2$.
- Half-quantum vortex (non-Abelian Alice string) and quantum entanglement.



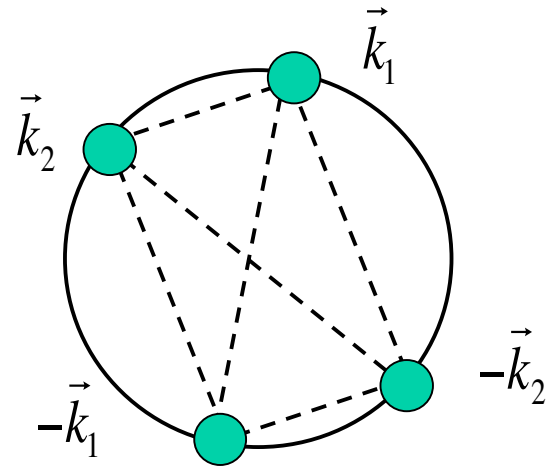
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Multi-particle clustering order

- Quartetting order in spin 3/2 systems.



4-fermion counter-part
of Cooper pairing.



- Feshbach resonances: Cooper pairing superfluidity.
- Driven by logic, it is natural to expect the quartetting order as a possible focus for the future research.

Strong quantum fluctuations in magnetic systems

- Intuitively, quantum fluctuations are weak in high spin systems.

$$\left[\frac{S_i}{S}, \frac{S_j}{S} \right] = i \epsilon_{ijk} \frac{1}{S} \frac{S_k}{S}$$



Illustration by Dick Codor.

- However, due to the high SO(5) symmetry, quantum fluctuations here are even **stronger** than those in spin $\frac{1}{2}$ systems.

large N (N=4) v.s. large S.

From Auerbach's book:

Outline

- **The proof of the exact $SO(5)$ symmetry.**

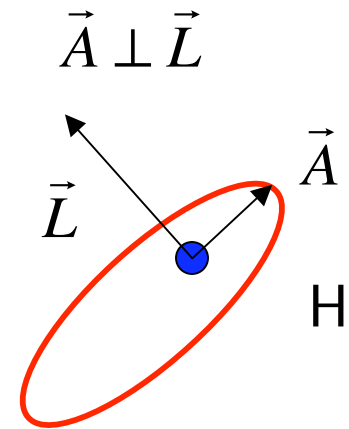
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- Quintet superfluids and non-Abelian topological defects.
- Quartetting v.s pairing orders in 1D spin 3/2 systems.
- $SO(5)$ ($Sp(4)$) Magnetism in Mott-insulating phases.

The SO(4) symmetry in Hydrogen atoms

- An obvious SO(3) symmetry: \vec{L} (angular momentum) .
- The energy level degeneracy n^2 is mysterious.
- Not accidental! $1/r$ Coulomb potential gives rise to a hidden conserved quantity.

Runge-Lenz vector \vec{A} ; SO(4) generators \vec{A}, \vec{L} .



- Q: What are the **hidden** conserved quantities in spin 3/2 systems?

Generic spin-3/2 Hamiltonian in the continuum

- The s-wave scattering interactions and spin SU(2) symmetry.

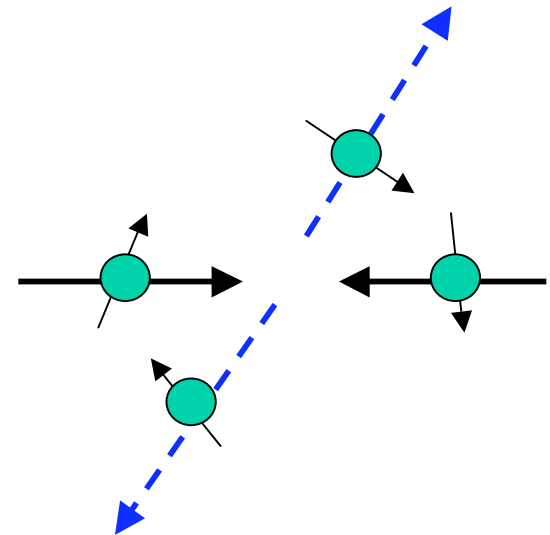
$$H = \int d^d \vec{r} \sum_{\alpha=\pm 3/2, \pm 1/2} \psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(\vec{r}) \left(\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \hat{\nabla}^2 - \mu \right) \psi_{\alpha}(\vec{r}) + \frac{g_0}{2} \eta^{\dagger}(\vec{r}) \eta(\vec{r}) + \frac{g_2}{2} \sum_{a=1 \sim 5} \chi_a^{\dagger}(\vec{r}) \chi_a(\vec{r})$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \uparrow \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle & \uparrow \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \\ \downarrow \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle & \downarrow \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \end{array}$$

- Pauli's exclusion principle: only $F_{\text{tot}}=0, 2$ are allowed; $F_{\text{tot}}=1, 3$ are forbidden.

singlet: $\eta^{\dagger}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \langle 00 | \frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2}; \alpha\beta \rangle \psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(\vec{r}) \psi_{\beta}^{\dagger}(\vec{r})$

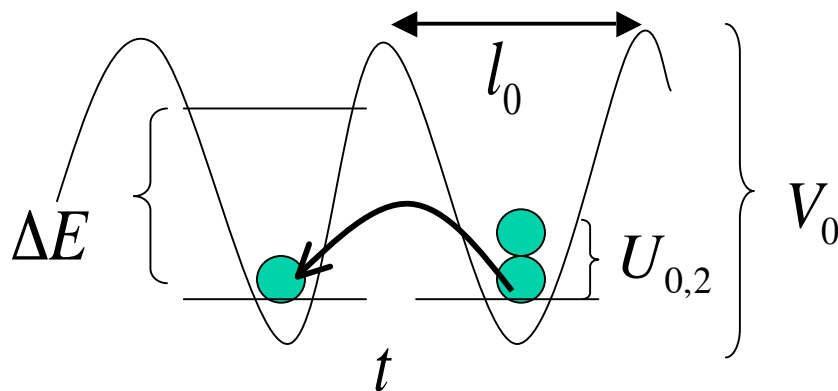
quintet: $\chi_a^{\dagger}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \langle 2a | \frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2}; \alpha\beta \rangle \psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(\vec{r}) \psi_{\beta}^{\dagger}(\vec{r})$



Spin-3/2 Hubbard model in optical lattices

$$H = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, \alpha} -t \{c_{i,\alpha}^+ c_{j,\alpha} + h.c.\} - \mu \sum_i c_{i,\alpha}^+ c_{i,\alpha} \\ + U_0 \sum_i \eta^+(i) \eta(i) + U_2 \sum_{a=1 \sim 5} \chi_a^+(i) \chi_a(i)$$

- The single band Hubbard model is valid away from resonances.



a_s : scattering length, E_r : recoil energy

$$\frac{U_{0,2}}{\Delta E} < 0.1,$$

$$l_0 \sim 400\text{nm}, a_{s,0,2} \sim 100a_B$$

$$\left(\frac{V_0}{E_r}\right)^{1/4} \approx 1 \sim 2$$

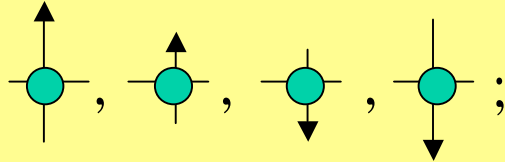
SO(5) symmetry: the single site problem

$2^4 = 16$ states.

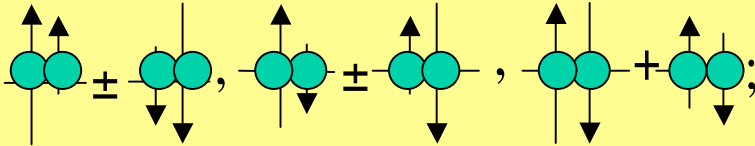
$$E_0 = 0$$

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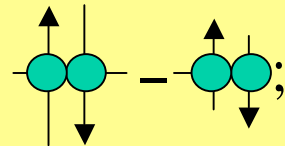
$$E_1 = -\mu$$



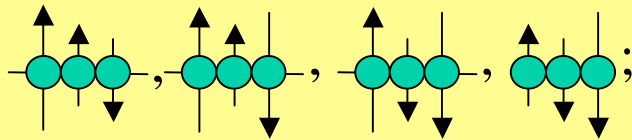
$$E_2 = U_2 - 2\mu$$



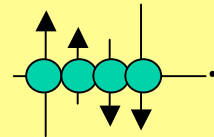
$$E_3 = U_0 - 2\mu$$



$$E_4 = \frac{1}{2}U_0 + \frac{5}{2}U_2 - 3\mu$$



$$E_5 = U_0 + 5U_2 - 4\mu$$



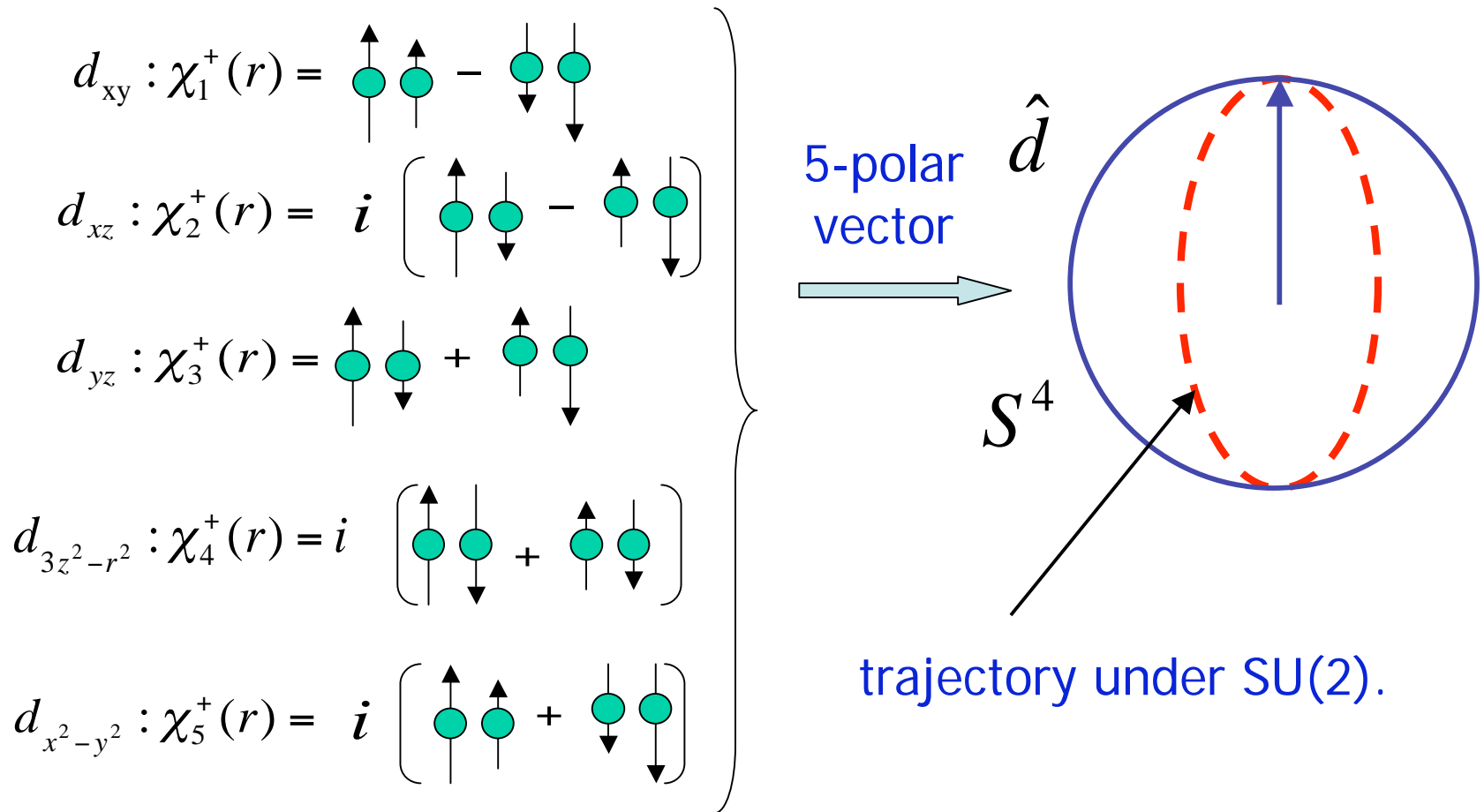
	SU(2)	SO(5)	degeneracy
$E_{0,3,5}$	singlet	scalar	1
$E_{1,4}$	quartet	spinor	4
E_2	quintet	vector	5

• $U_0 = U_2 = U$, SU(4) symmetry.

$$H_{\text{int}} = \frac{U}{2} n(n-1)$$

Quintet channel (S=2) operators as SO(5) vectors


- Kinetic energy has an obvious SU(4) symmetry; interactions break it down to SO(5) (Sp(4)); SU(4) is restored at $U_0=U_2$.



Particle-hole bi-linears $\psi_\alpha^\dagger M_{\alpha\beta} \psi_\beta$ (I)

- Total degrees of freedom: $4^2=16=1+3+5+7$.

1 density operator and 3 spin operators are not complete.

rank: 0	1,	
	1	F_x, F_y, F_z
$M_{\alpha\beta}$	2	$\xi_{ij}^a F_i F_j$ ($a=1 \sim 5$): 
	3	$\xi_{ijk}^a F_i F_j F_k$ ($a=1 \sim 7$)

$$F_x^2 - F_y^2, F_z^2 - \frac{5}{4},$$

$$\{F_x, F_y\}, \{F_y, F_z\}, \{F_z, F_x\}$$

- Spin-nematic matrices (rank-2 tensors) form five- Γ matrices (SO(5) vector) .

$$\Gamma^a = \xi_{ij}^a F_i F_j, \quad \{\Gamma^a, \Gamma^b\} = 2\delta_{ab}, \quad (1 \leq a, b \leq 5)$$

Particle-hole channel algebra (II)

- Both $F_{x,y,z}$ and $\xi_{ijk}^a F_i F_j F_k$ commute with Hamiltonian.
10 generators of SO(5): $10=3+7$.

7 spin cubic tensors are the hidden conserved quantities.

$$\Gamma^{ab} = \frac{i}{2} [\Gamma^a, \Gamma^b] \quad (1 \leq a < b \leq 5)$$

- **SO(5): 1 scalar + 5 vectors + 10 generators = 16**

1 density:

$$n = \psi^\dagger \psi;$$

even

5 spin nematic:

$$n_a = \frac{1}{2} \psi^\dagger \Gamma^a \psi;$$

even

3 spins + 7 spin
cubic tensors:

$$L_{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \psi^\dagger \Gamma^{ab} \psi;$$

odd

Time Reversal

Outline

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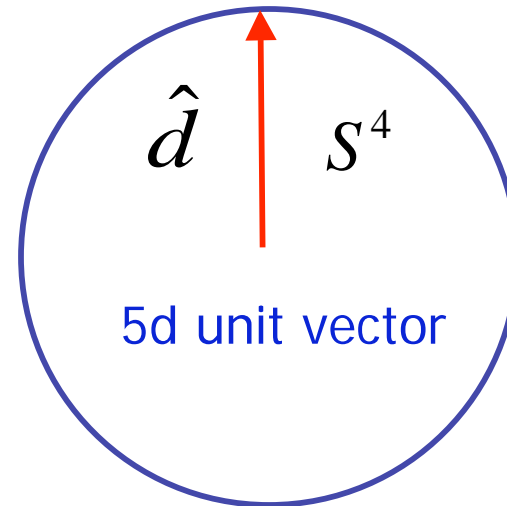
- Quartetting v.s pairing orders in 1D spin 3/2 systems.
- $SO(5)$ ($Sp(4)$) Magnetism in Mott-insulating phases.

$g_2 < 0$: s-wave quintet ($S_{\text{pair}} = 2$) pairing

- BCS theory: polar condensation; order parameter forms an SO(5) vector.

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 d_{xy} : \chi_1^+(r) &= \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \uparrow \\ | | \\ \downarrow \downarrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \downarrow \\ | | \\ \uparrow \uparrow \end{array} \\
 d_{xz} : \chi_2^+(r) &= i \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \downarrow \\ | | \\ \downarrow \uparrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \uparrow \\ | | \\ \uparrow \downarrow \end{array} \right) \\
 d_{yz} : \chi_3^+(r) &= \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \downarrow \\ | | \\ \downarrow \uparrow \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \uparrow \\ | | \\ \uparrow \downarrow \end{array} \\
 d_{3z^2-r^2} : \chi_4^+(r) &= i \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \downarrow \\ | | \\ \downarrow \uparrow \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \uparrow \\ | | \\ \uparrow \downarrow \end{array} \right) \\
 d_{x^2-y^2} : \chi_5^+(r) &= i \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \uparrow \\ | | \\ \downarrow \downarrow \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \downarrow \\ | | \\ \uparrow \uparrow \end{array} \right)
 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\chi_a^+ = \sqrt{\rho} e^{i\theta} \hat{d}_a$$



Ho and Yip, PRL 82, 247 (1999);

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Superfluid with spin: half-quantum vortex (HQV)

- Z_2 gauge symmetry $\hat{d} \rightarrow -\hat{d}, \theta \rightarrow \theta + \pi$

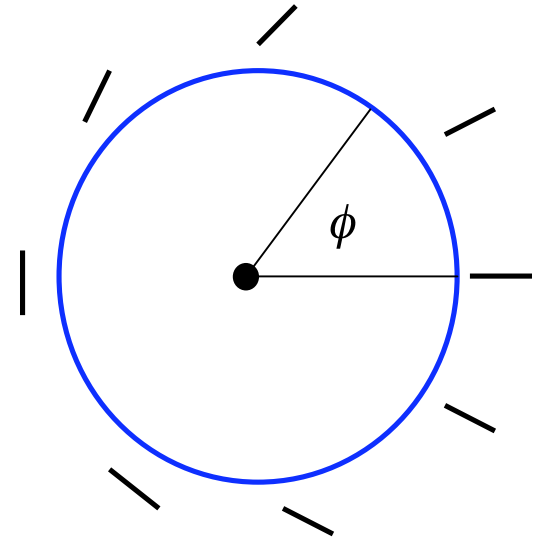
- π -disclination of \hat{d} as a HQV.

$\chi_a^+ = \sqrt{\rho} e^{i\theta} \hat{d}_a$ remains single-valued.

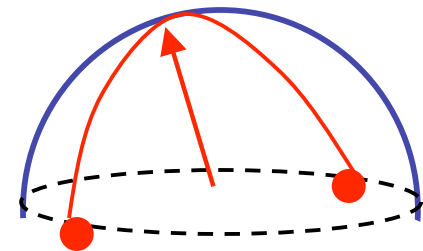
- \hat{d} is not a rigorous vector, but a directionless director.

- Fundamental group of the manifold.

$$\pi_1(RP^4) = Z_2$$



$$\hat{d} : RP^4 = S^4 / Z_2$$



Stability of half-quantum vortices

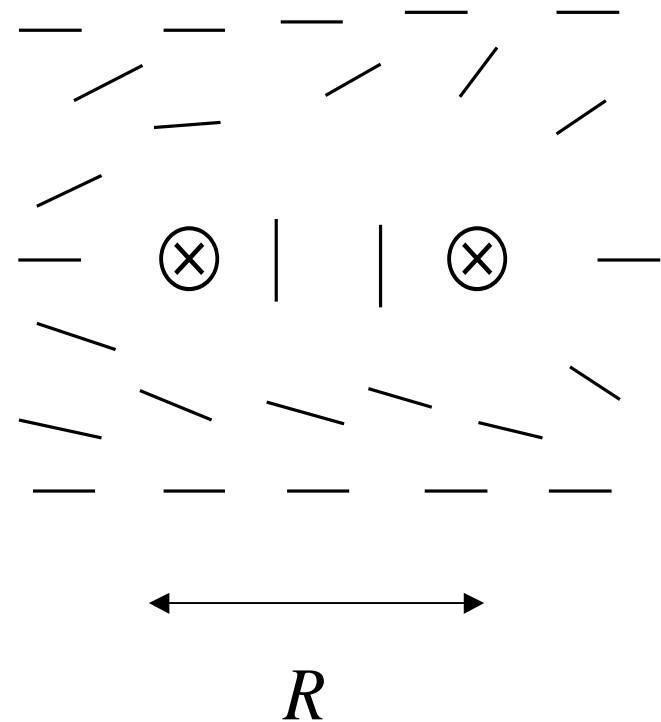
$$E = \int dr \frac{\hbar^2}{4M} \{ \rho_{sf} (\nabla \theta)^2 + \rho_{sp} (\nabla \hat{d})^2 \}$$

- Single quantum vortex:

$$E = \frac{h}{4M^2} \rho_{sf} \log \frac{L}{\xi}$$

- A pair of HQV:

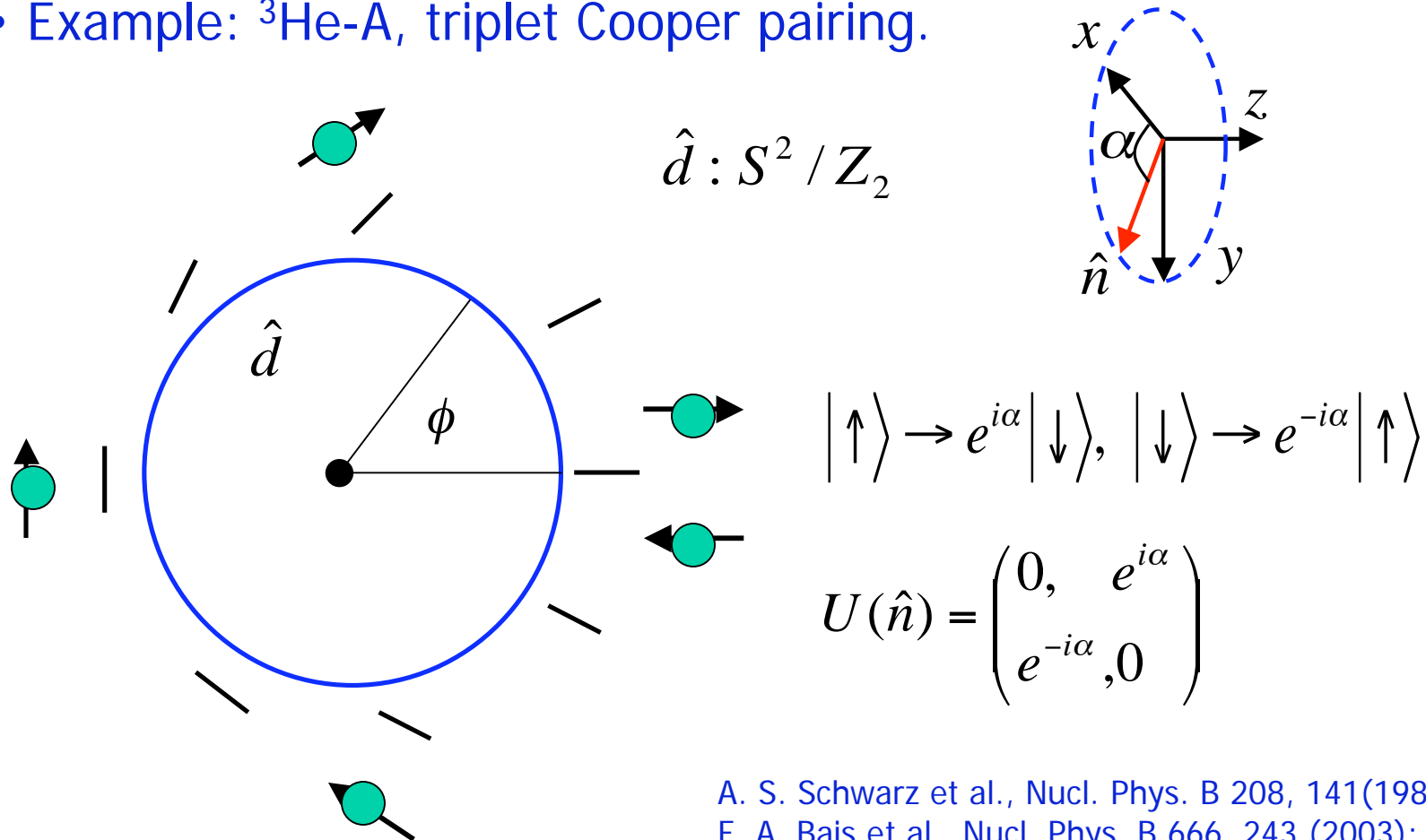
$$E = \frac{h}{4M^2} \left\{ \frac{\rho_{sf} + \rho_{sp}}{2} \log \frac{L}{\xi} + \frac{\rho_{sf} - \rho_{sp}}{2} \log \frac{L}{R} \right\}$$



- Stability condition: $\rho_{sp} < \rho_{sf}$

Example: HQV as Alice string ($^3\text{He-A}$ phase)

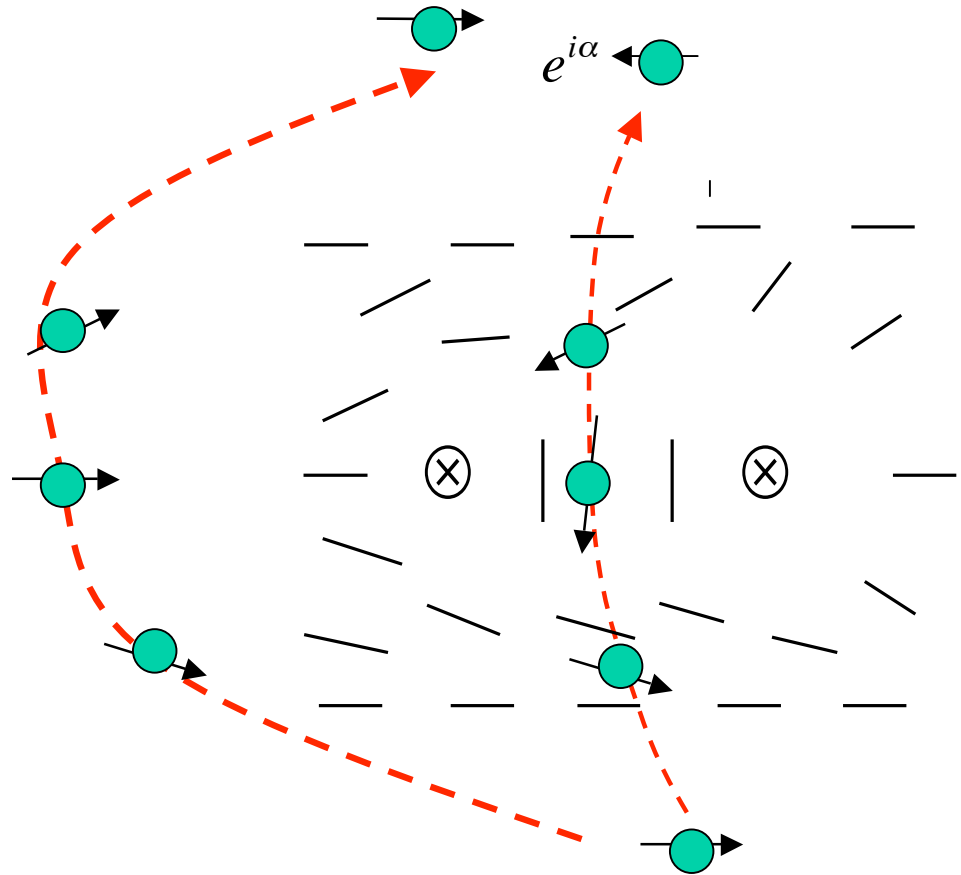
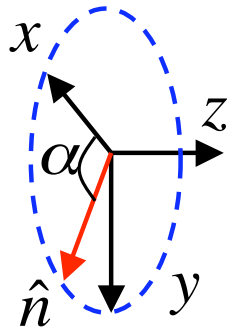
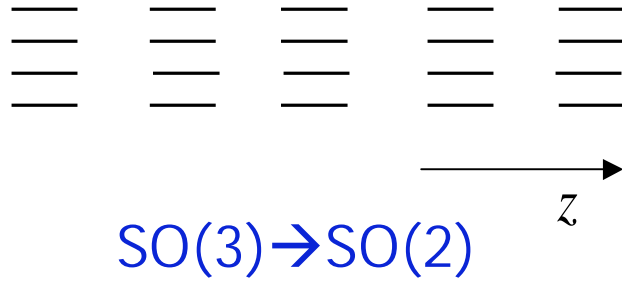
- A particle flips the sign of its spin after it encircles HQV.
- Example: $^3\text{He-A}$, triplet Cooper pairing.



Configuration space $U(1)$

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 F. A. Bais et al., Nucl. Phys. B 666, 243 (2003);
 M. G. Alford, et al. Nucl. Phys. B 384, 251 (1992). 22
 P. McGraw, Phys. Rev. D 50, 952 (1994).

The HQV pair in 2D or HQV loop in 3D



- Phase state.

$$|\alpha\rangle_{vort} = \exp(iS_z \alpha) |\alpha = 0\rangle_{vort}$$

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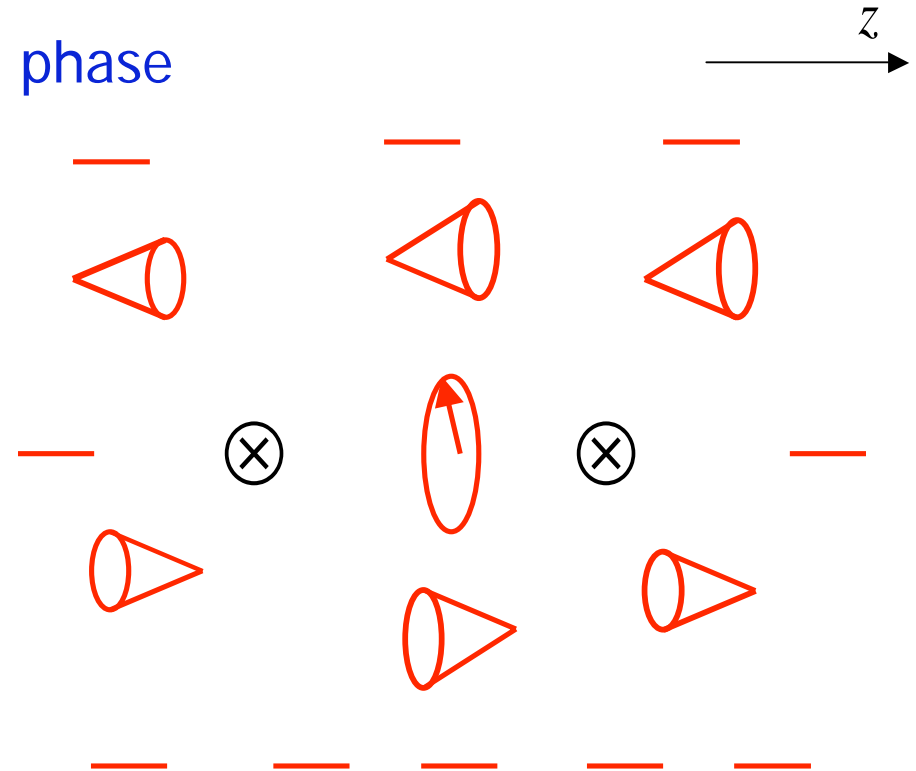
SO(2) Cheshire charge (${}^3\text{He-A}$)

- HQV pair or loop can carry spin quantum number.
- For each phase state, SO(2) symmetry is only broken in a finite region, so it should be dynamically restored.
- Cheshire charge state (S_z) v.s phase state.

$$|m\rangle_{\text{vort}} = \int d\alpha \exp(im\alpha) |\alpha\rangle_{\text{vort}}$$

$$S_z |m\rangle_{\text{vort}} = m |m\rangle_{\text{vort}}$$

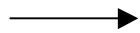
$$|m=0\rangle_{\text{vort}} = \int d\alpha |\alpha\rangle_{\text{vort}}$$



Spin conservation by exciting Cheshire charge

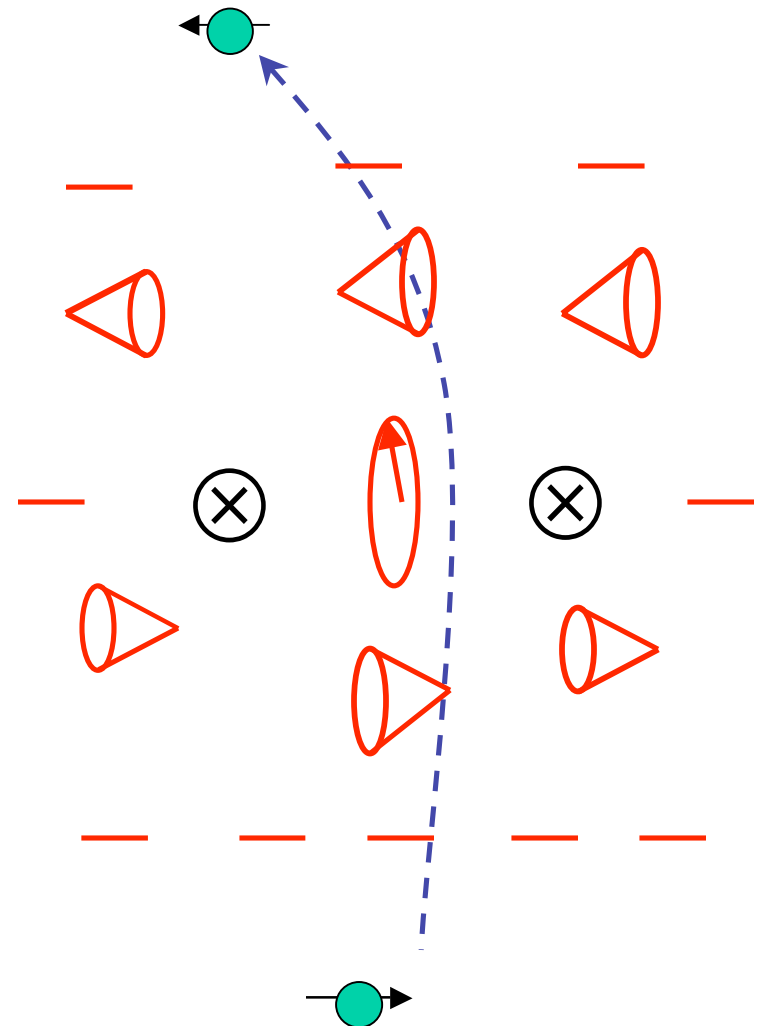
- Initial state: particle spin up and HQV pair (loop) zero charge.
- Final state: particle spin down and HQV pair (loop) charge 1.

$$|init\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle_p \otimes |m=0\rangle_{vort} = |\uparrow\rangle_p \otimes \int d\alpha |\alpha\rangle_{vort}$$



$$|final\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle_p \otimes \int d\alpha e^{i\alpha} |\alpha\rangle_{vort}$$

$$= |\downarrow\rangle_p \otimes |m=1\rangle_{vort}$$



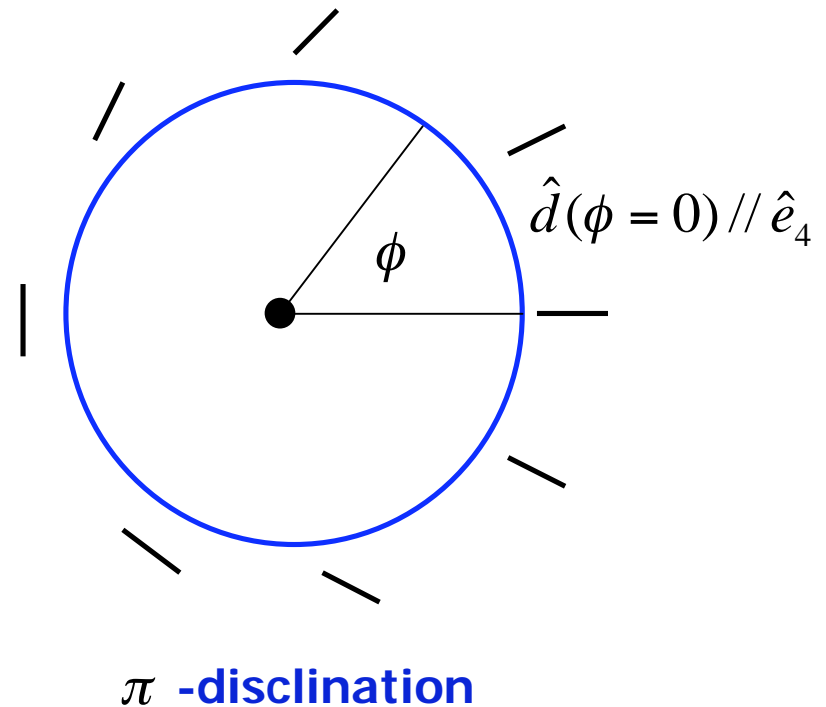
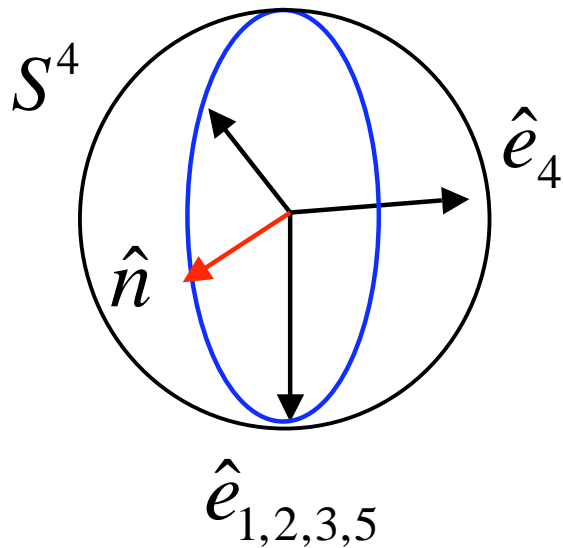
- Both the initial and final states are product states. No entanglement!

Quintet pairing as a non-Abelian generalization

- HQV configuration space $|\hat{n}\rangle_{\text{vort}}$, $SU(2)$ instead of $U(1)$.

equator: $\hat{n} \in S^3 = SU(2)$

$$\hat{d}(\phi, \hat{n}) = \cos \frac{\phi}{2} \hat{e}_4 - \sin \frac{\phi}{2} \hat{n}$$



SU(2) Berry phase

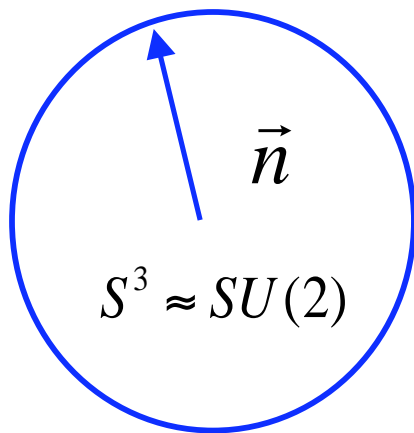
- After a particle moves around HQV, or passes a HQV pair:

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \\ \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \\ \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \\ \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

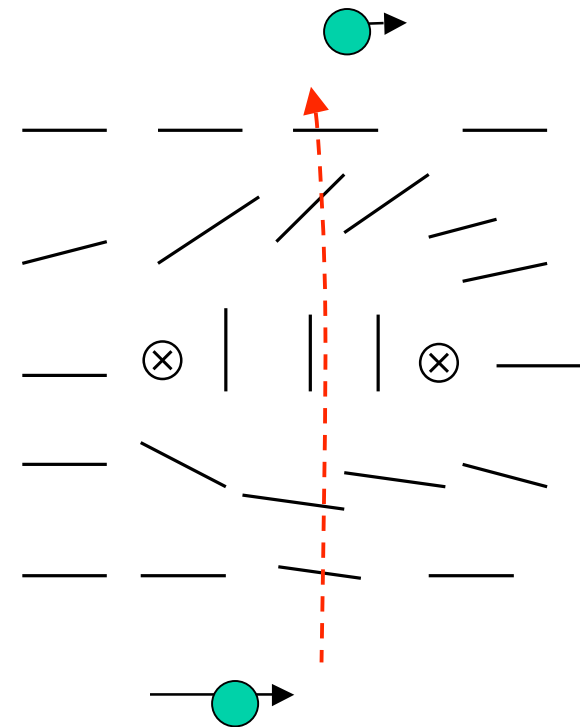
$$\psi \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & W \\ W^+ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \psi$$

$$W(\hat{n}) = \begin{pmatrix} n_3 + in_2 & -n_1 + in_5 \\ n_1 - in_5 & n_3 - in_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle, \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle, \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$



$$\hat{n} = n_1 \hat{e}_1 + n_2 \hat{e}_2 + n_3 \hat{e}_3 + n_5 \hat{e}_5$$



Non-Abelian Cheshire charge

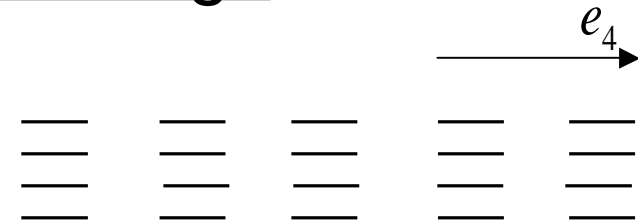
- Construct SO(4) Cheshire charge state for a HQV pair (loop) through S^3 harmonic functions.

$$|TT_3; T'T'_3\rangle_{\text{vort}} = \int_{n \in S^3} d\hat{n} Y_{TT_3; T'T'_3}(\hat{n}) |\hat{n}\rangle_{\text{vort}}$$

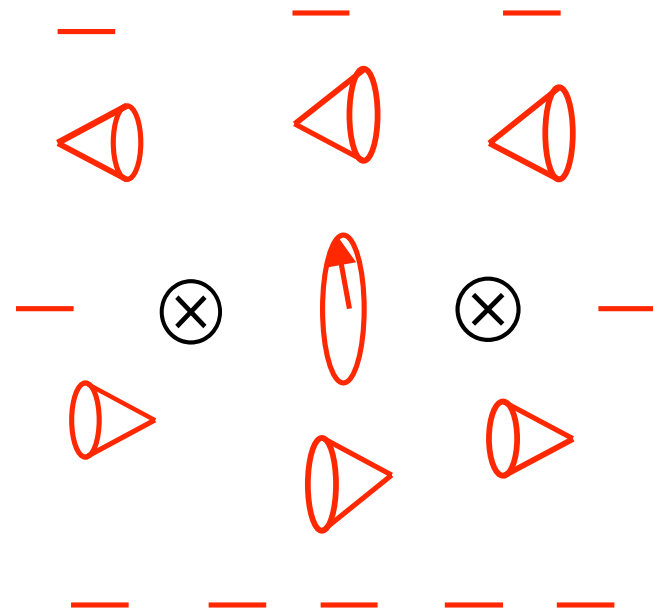
$$\vec{T} (\vec{T}') = L_{12}, \pm L_{35}, L_{13}, \pm L_{25}, L_{23} \pm L_{15}.$$

- Zero charge state.

$$|00;00\rangle_{\text{vort}} = \int_{n \in S^3} d\hat{n} |\hat{n}\rangle_{\text{vort}}$$



SO(5) \rightarrow SO(4)



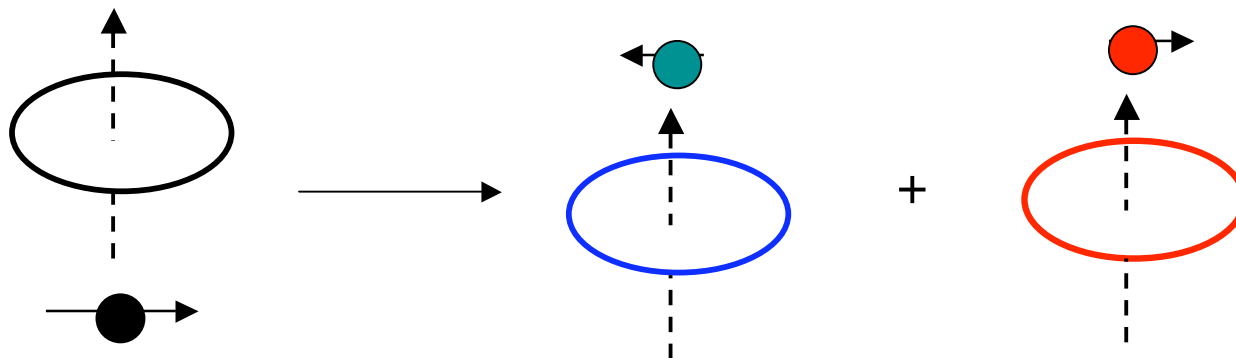
Entanglement through non-Abelian Cheshire charge!

- SO(4) spin conservation. For simplicity, only $S_z = T_3 + \frac{3}{2}T'_3$ is shown.

$$|init\rangle = \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle_p \otimes |zero\ charge\rangle_{vort} \longrightarrow$$

$$|final\rangle = \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_p \otimes |S_z = 1\rangle_{vort} - \left| \frac{-1}{2} \right\rangle_p \otimes |S_z = 2\rangle_{vort}$$

- Generation of entanglement between the particle and HQV loop!



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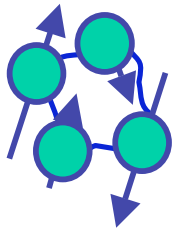
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Multiple-particle clustering (MPC) instability

- Pauli's exclusion principle allows MPC. More than two particles form bound states.

baryon (3-quark); alpha particle (2p+2n); bi-exciton (2e+2h)

- Spin 3/2 systems: quartetting order.



SU(4) singlet:
4-body maximally
entangled states

$$O_{qt} = \psi_{3/2}^+(r)\psi_{1/2}^+(r)\psi_{-1/2}^+(r)\psi_{-3/2}^+(r)$$

- Difficulty: lack of a BCS type well-controlled mean field theory.

trial wavefunction in 3D: A. S. Stepanenko and J. M. F Gunn, cond-mat/9901317.

1D systems: strongly correlated but understandable

- Bethe ansatz results for 1D $SU(2N)$ model:

$2N$ particles form an $SU(2N)$ singlet; Cooper pairing is not possible because 2 particles can not form an $SU(2N)$ singlet.

P. Schlottmann, J. Phys. Cond. Matt 6, 1359(1994).

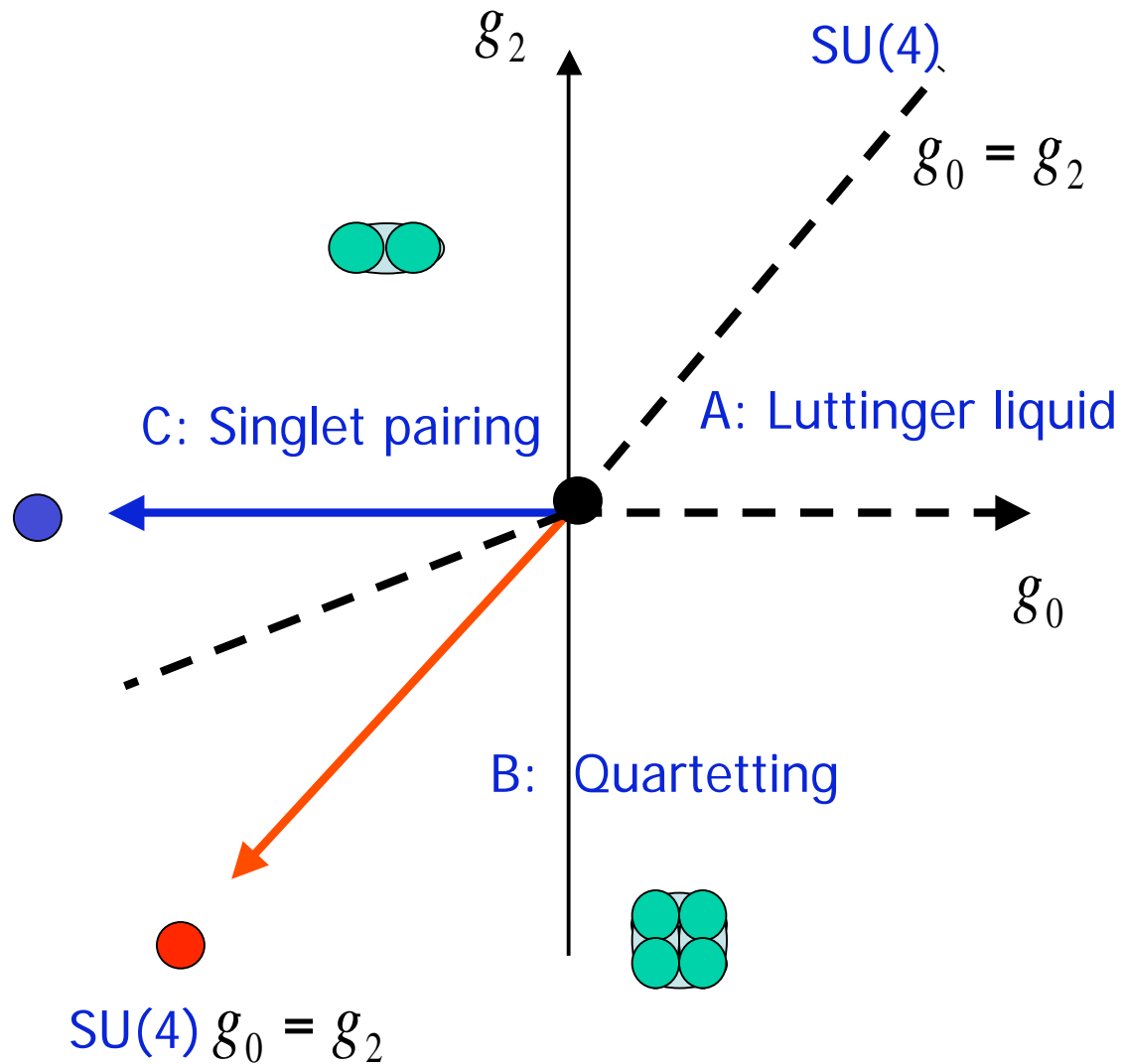
- Competing orders in 1D spin $3/2$ systems with $SO(5)$ symmetry.

Both quartetting and singlet Cooper pairing are allowed.

Transition between quartetting and Cooper pairing.

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Phase diagram at incommensurate fillings



- Gapless charge sector.
- Spin gap phases B and C: pairing v.s. quartetting.
- Ising transition between B and C.
- Singlet pairing in purely repulsive regime.
- Quintet pairing is not allowed.

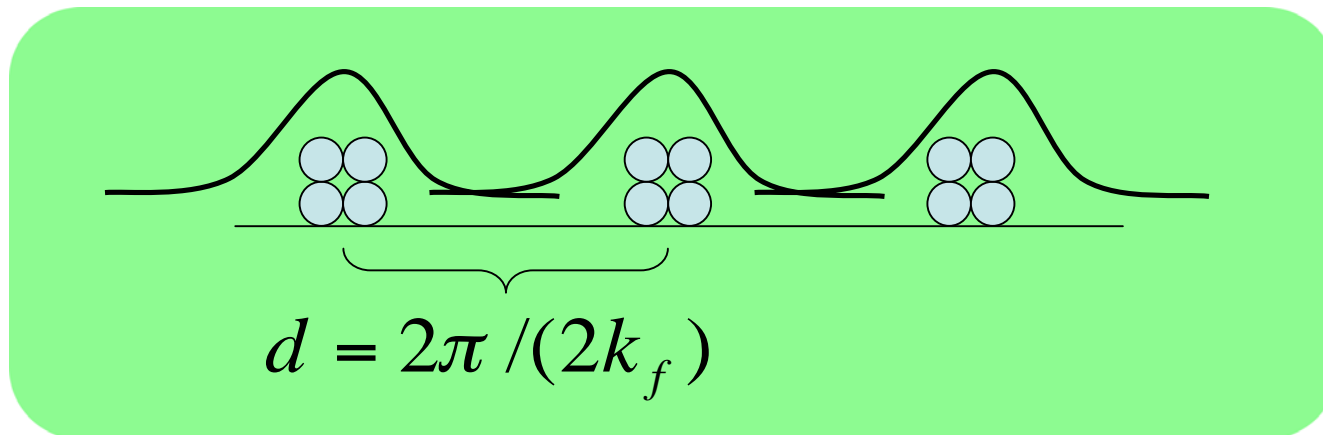
Phase B: the quartetting phase

- Quartetting superfluidity v.s. CDW of quartets ($2k_f$ -CDW).

$$O_{qt} = \psi_{3/2}^+ \psi_{1/2}^+ \psi_{-1/2}^+ \psi_{-3/2}^+ \text{ wins at } K_c > 2;$$

$$N_{2k_f} = \psi_{R\alpha}^+ \psi_{L\alpha} \text{ wins at } K_c < 2.$$

K_c : the Luttinger parameter in the charge channel.

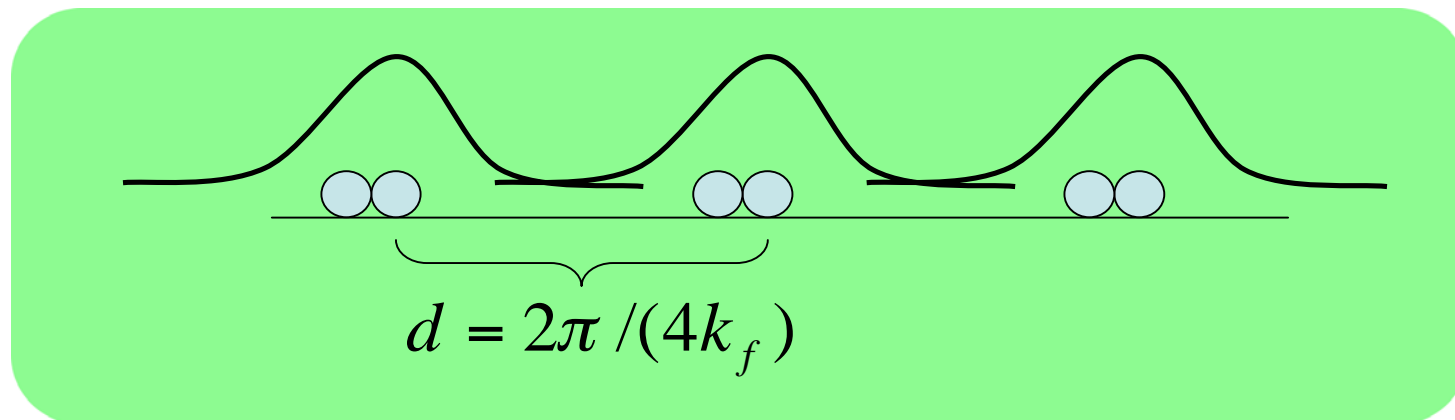


Phase C: the singlet pairing phase

- Singlet pairing superfluidity v.s CDW of pairs ($4k_f$ -CDW).

$$\eta^+ = \psi_{3/2}^+ \psi_{-3/2}^+ - \psi_{1/2}^+ \psi_{-1/2}^+ \text{ wins at } K_c > \frac{1}{2};$$

$$O_{4k_f,cdw} = \psi_{R\alpha}^+ \psi_{R\beta}^+ \psi_{L\beta} \psi_{L\alpha} \text{ wins at } K_c < \frac{1}{2}.$$



Competition between quartetting and pairing phases

A. J. Leggett, Prog, Theo. Phys. 36, 901(1966); H. J. Schulz, PRB 53, R2959 (1996).

- Phase locking problem in the two-band model.

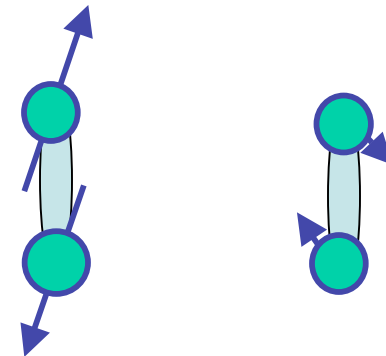
$$\eta^+ = \Delta_1^+ - \Delta_2^+ \propto e^{i\sqrt{\pi}\theta_c} \cos\sqrt{\pi}\theta_r;$$

$$\Delta_1^+ = \psi_{3/2}^+ \psi_{-3/2}^+ \quad \Delta_2^+ = \psi_{1/2}^+ \psi_{-1/2}^+$$

$$O_{quar} = \Delta_1^+ \Delta_2^+ \propto e^{i\sqrt{4\pi}\theta_c} \cos 2\sqrt{\pi}\varphi_r.$$

$\sqrt{\pi}\theta_c$ overall phase; $\sqrt{\pi}\theta_r$ relative phase.

$\sqrt{\pi}\varphi_r$ dual field of the relative phase



- No symmetry breaking in the overall phase (charge) channel in 1D.

$$\psi_{\pm\frac{3}{2}, \pm\frac{1}{2}}^+ \rightarrow \psi_{\pm\frac{3}{2}, \pm\frac{1}{2}}^+ e^{i\alpha} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \sqrt{\pi}\theta_c \rightarrow \sqrt{\pi}\theta_c + 2\alpha$$

Ising transition in the relative phase channel

$$H_{eff} = \frac{1}{2} \{ (\partial_x \theta_r)^2 + (\partial_x \varphi_r)^2 \} + \frac{1}{2\pi a} (\lambda_1 \cos 2\sqrt{\pi} \theta_r + \lambda_2 \cos 2\sqrt{\pi} \varphi_r)$$

- $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$ the relative phase is pinned: pairing order;
- $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2$ the dual field is pinned: quartetting order.

Ising transition: two Majorana fermions with masses: $\lambda_1 \pm \lambda_2$

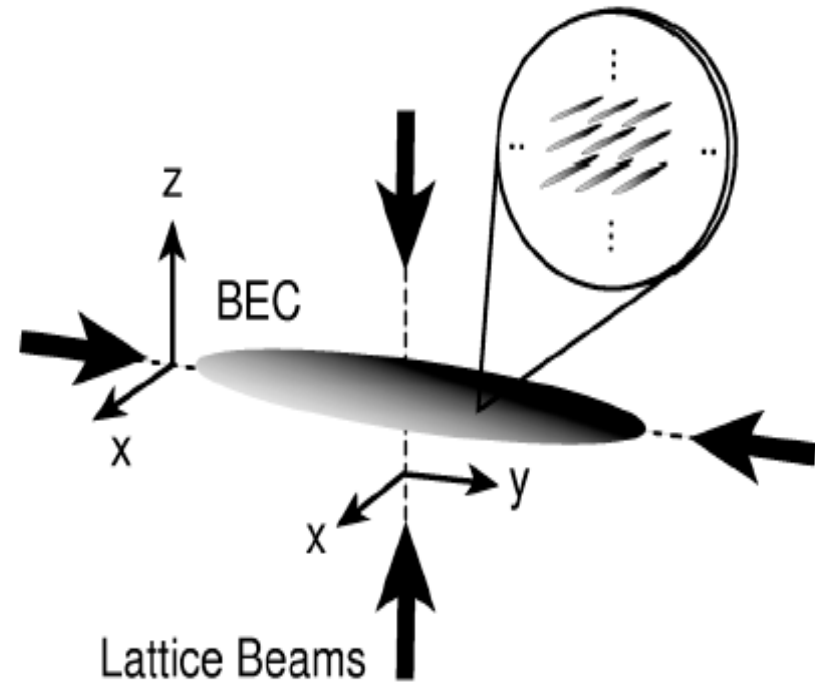
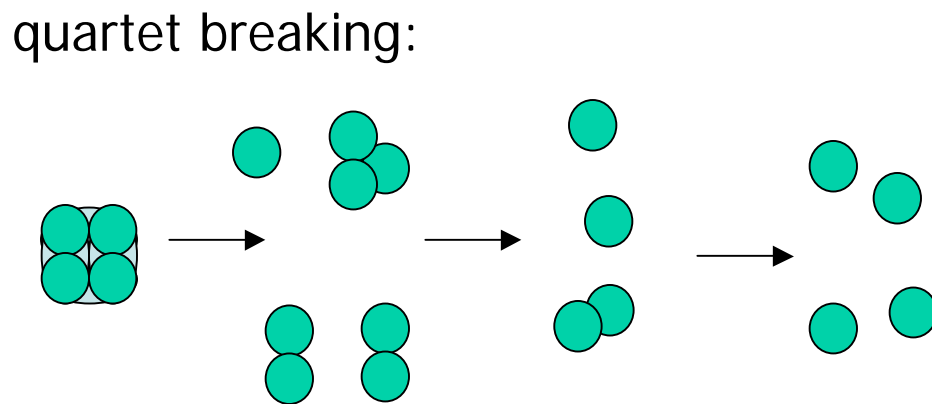
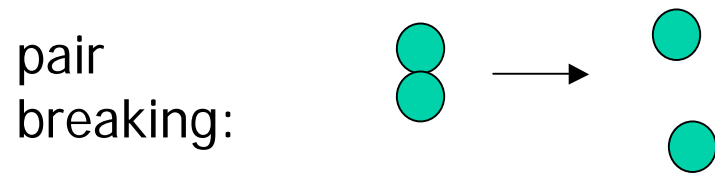
- Ising symmetry: $\psi_{\pm\frac{3}{2}}^+ \rightarrow i\psi_{\pm\frac{3}{2}}^+$, $\psi_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}^+ \rightarrow -i\psi_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}^+$.

$$\text{relative phase: } \sqrt{\pi}\theta_r \rightarrow \sqrt{\pi}\theta_r \pm \pi \quad \sqrt{\pi}\varphi_r \rightarrow \sqrt{\pi}\varphi_r$$

- Ising ordered phase: $\eta \rightarrow -\eta$,
- Ising disordered phase: $O_{quart} \rightarrow O_{quart}$

Experiment setup and detection

- Array of 1D optical tubes.
- RF spectroscopy to measure the excitation gap.



M. Greiner et. al., PRL, 2001.

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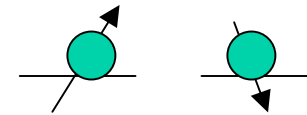
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Spin exchange (one particle per site)

- Spin exchange: bond singlet (J_0), quintet (J_2). No exchange in the triplet and septet channels.

$$H_{ex} = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} -J_0 Q_0(ij) - J_2 Q_2(ij)$$



$$J_0 = 4t^2 / U_0, J_2 = 4t^2 / U_2, J_1 = J_3 = 0 \quad \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{3}{2} = 0+2+1+3$$

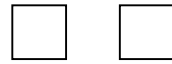
- Heisenberg model with bi-linear, bi-quadratic, bi-cubic terms.
- SO(5) or Sp(4) explicitly invariant form:

$$H_{ex} = \sum_{ij} \frac{J_0 + J_2}{4} L_{ab}(i)L_{ab}(j) + \frac{-J_0 + 3J_2}{4} n_a(i)n_b(j) \quad a, b = 1 \sim 5$$

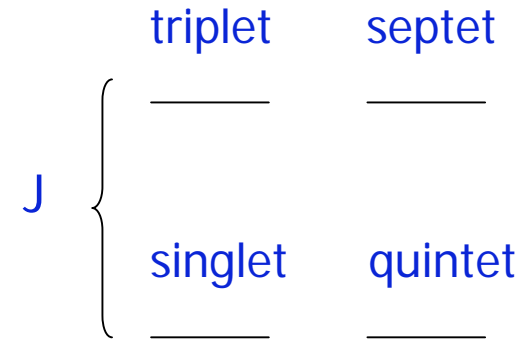
L_{ab} : 3 spins + 7 spin cubic tensors; n_a : spin nematic operators;
 L_{ab} and n_a together form the 15 SU(4) generators.

Two different SU(4) symmetries

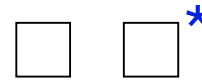
- A: $J_0=J_2=J$, SU(4) point.



$$H_{ex} = J \sum_{ij} \{L_{ab}(i)L_{ab}(j) + n_a(i)n_b(j)\}$$



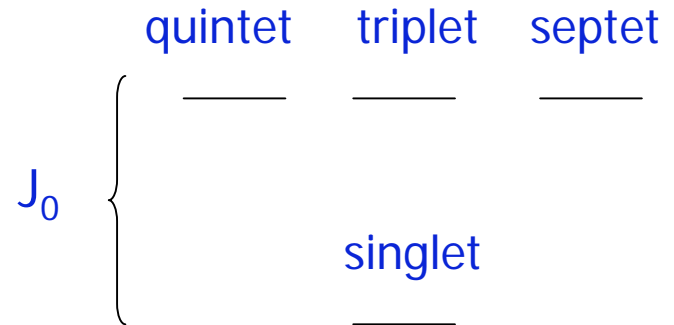
- B: $J_2=0$, the staggered SU'(4) point.



In a bipartite lattice, a particle-hole transformation on odd sites:

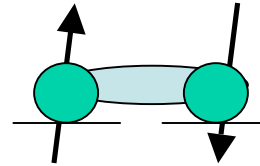
$$L_{ab}(j) = L'_{ab}(j) \quad n_{ab}(j) = -n'_{ab}(j)$$

$$H_{ex} = \frac{J_0}{4} \sum_{ij} \{L_{ab}(i)L'_{ab}(j) + n_a(i)n'_a(j)\}$$



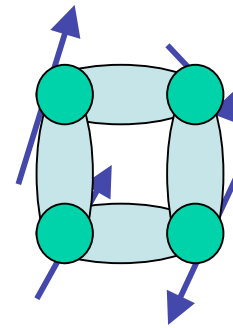
Construction of singlets

- The SU(2) singlet: 2 sites.



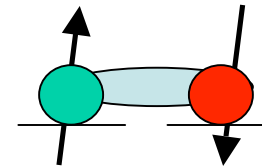
- The uniform SU(4) singlet: 4 sites.

baryon $\frac{\epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}}{4!} \psi_{\alpha}^{+}(1) \psi_{\beta}^{+}(2) \psi_{\gamma}^{+}(3) \psi_{\delta}^{+}(4) |0\rangle$

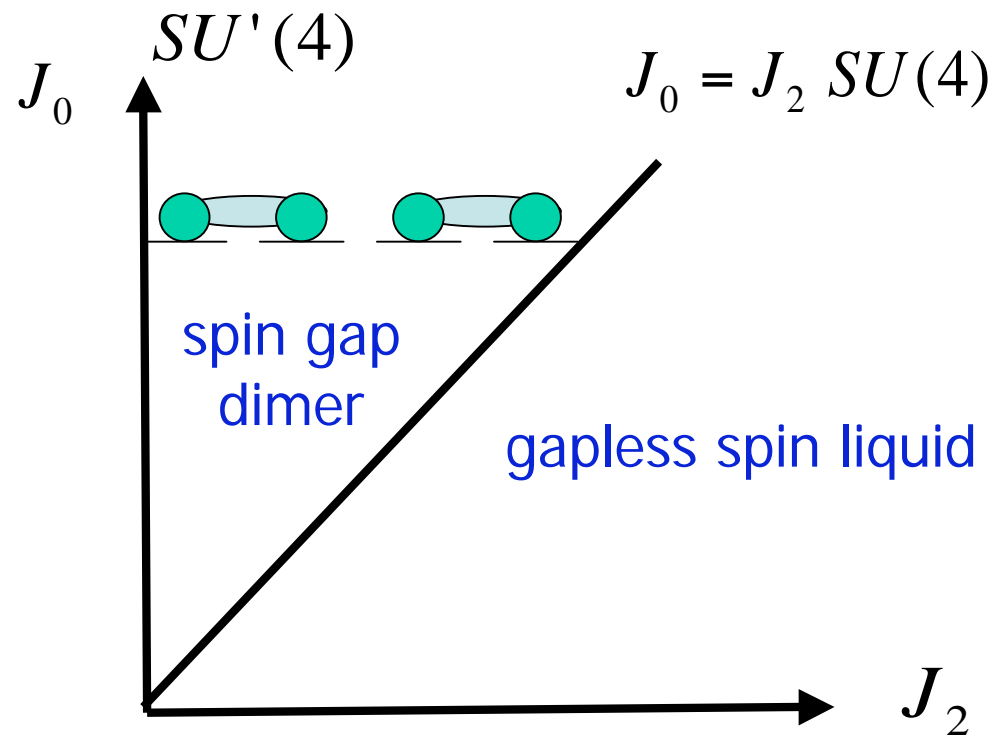


- The staggered SU(4) singlet: 2 sites.

meson $\frac{1}{2} \psi_{\alpha}^{+}(1) R_{\alpha\beta} \psi_{\beta}^{+}(2)$



Phase diagram in 1D lattice (one particle per site)



- On the $SU'(4)$ line, dimerized spin gap phase.
- On the $SU(4)$ line, gapless spin liquid phase.

SU'(4) and SU(4) point at 2D

- At SU'(4) point ($J_2=0$), QMC and large N give the Neel order, but the moment is tiny.

Read, and Sachdev, Nucl. Phys. B 316(1989).

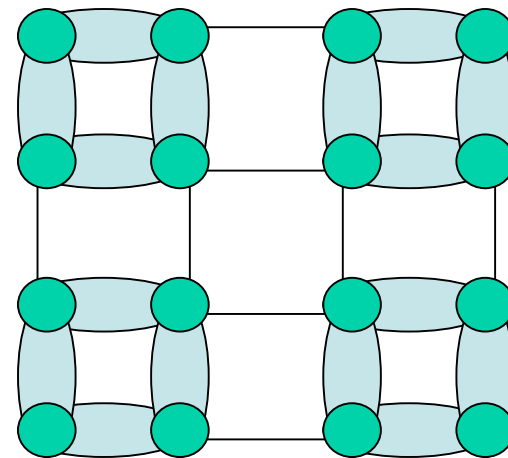
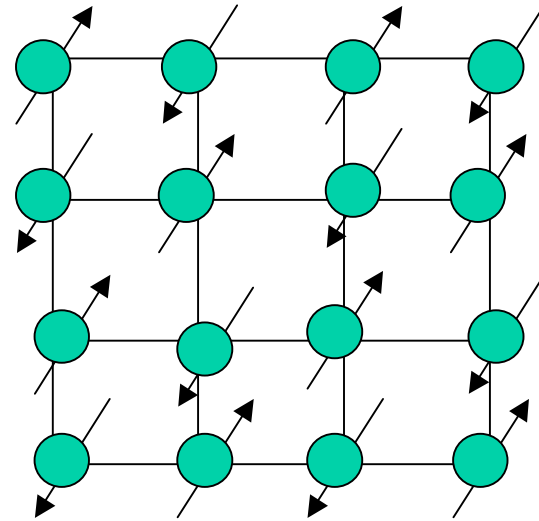
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SU(4) point ($J_0=J_2$), 2D
Plaquette order at the
SU(4) point?

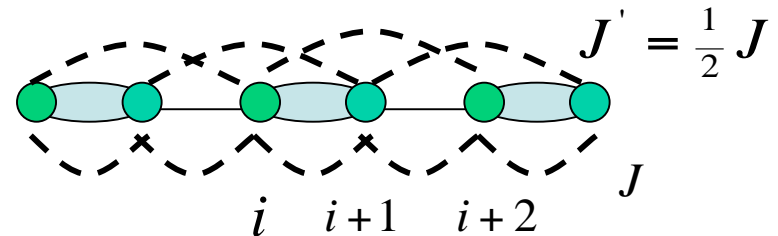
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Exact result: SU(4) Majumdar-Ghosh ladder

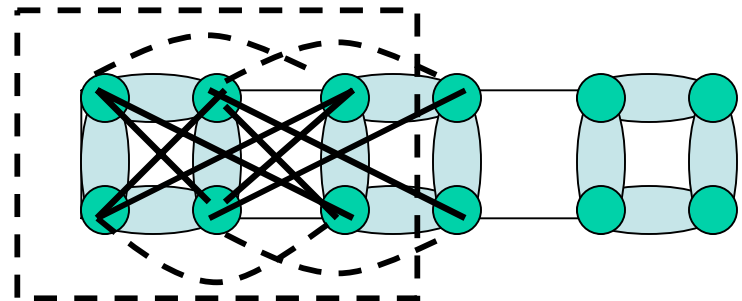
- Exact dimer ground state in spin 1/2 M-G model.



$$H = \sum_i H_{i,i+1,i+2}, \quad H_{i,i+1,i+2} = \frac{J}{2} (\vec{S}_i + \vec{S}_{i+1} + \vec{S}_{i+2})^2$$

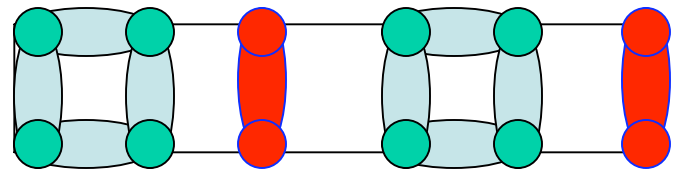
- SU(4) M-G: plaquette state.

$$H = \sum_{\text{every six-site cluster}} H_i$$



$$H_i = \left(\sum_{\text{six sites}} L_{ab} \right)^2 + \left(\sum_{\text{six sites}} n_a \right)^2$$

SU(4) Casimir of the six-site cluster



- Excitations as fractionalized domain walls.

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SU(4) plaquette state: a four-site problem

- Bond spin singlet:

- Plaquette SU(4) singlet:

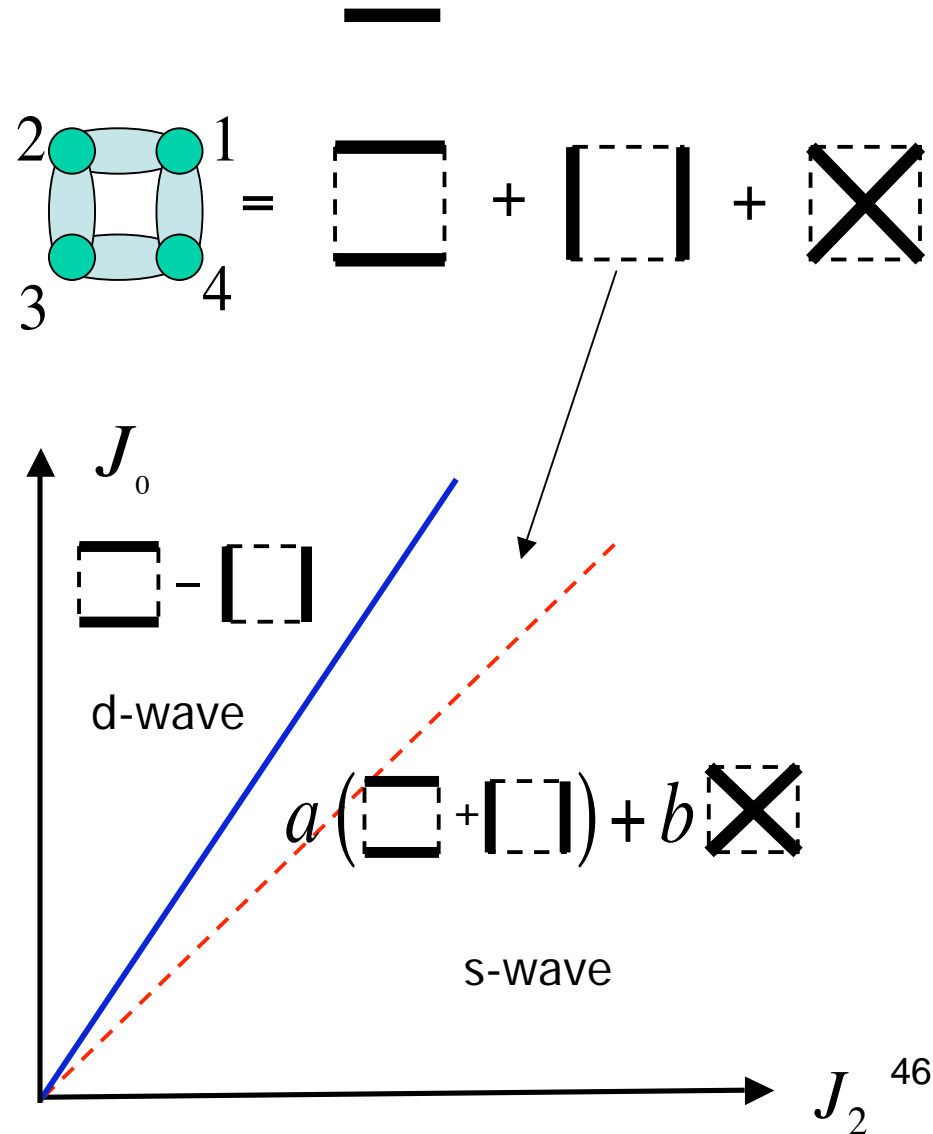
$$\frac{\epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}}{4!} \psi_{\alpha}^+ \psi_{\beta}^+ \psi_{\gamma}^+ \psi_{\delta}^+ |0\rangle$$

4-body EPR state;
no bond orders

- Level crossing:

d-wave to s-wave

- Hint to 2D?



Speculations: 2D phase diagram ?

- $J_2=0$, Neel order at the $SU'(4)$ point (QMC).

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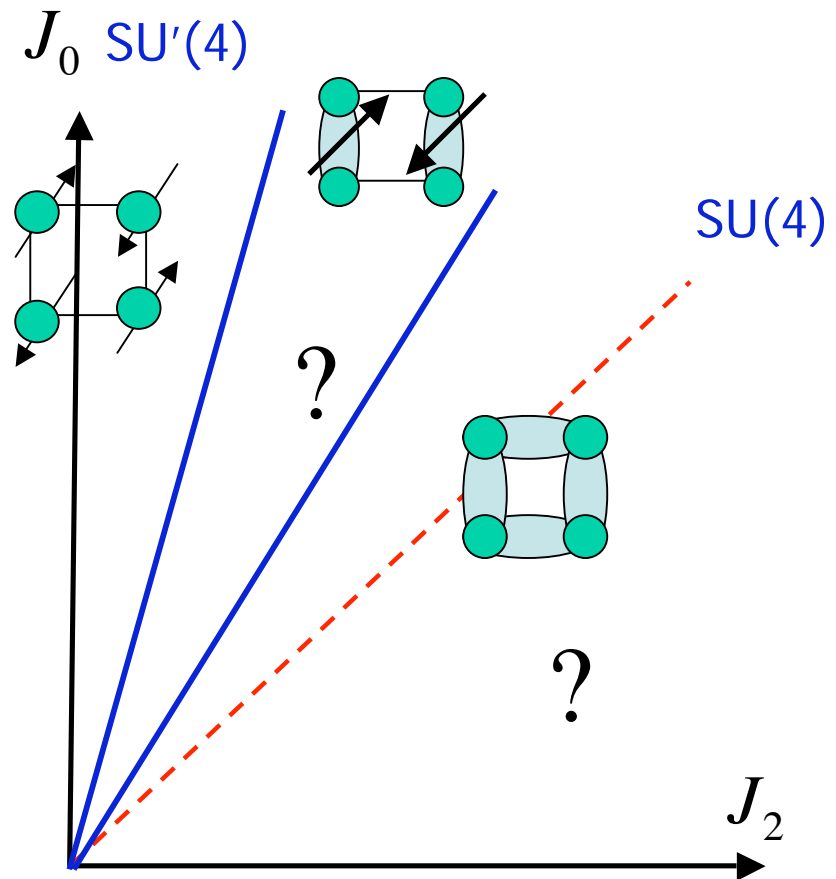
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2D Plaquette order at the $SU(4)$ point?

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- Phase transitions as J_0/J_2 ?
Dimer phases? Singlet or magnetic dimers?



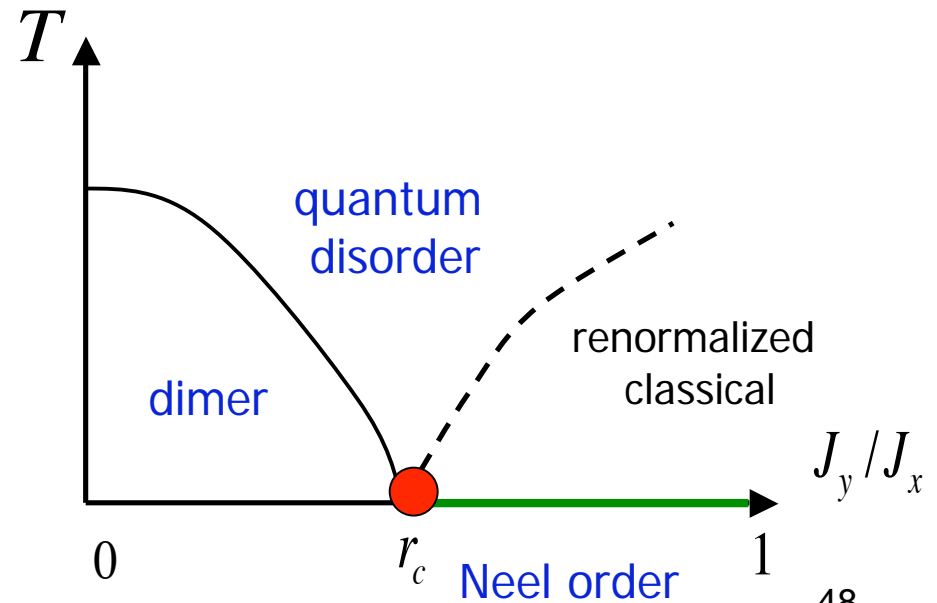
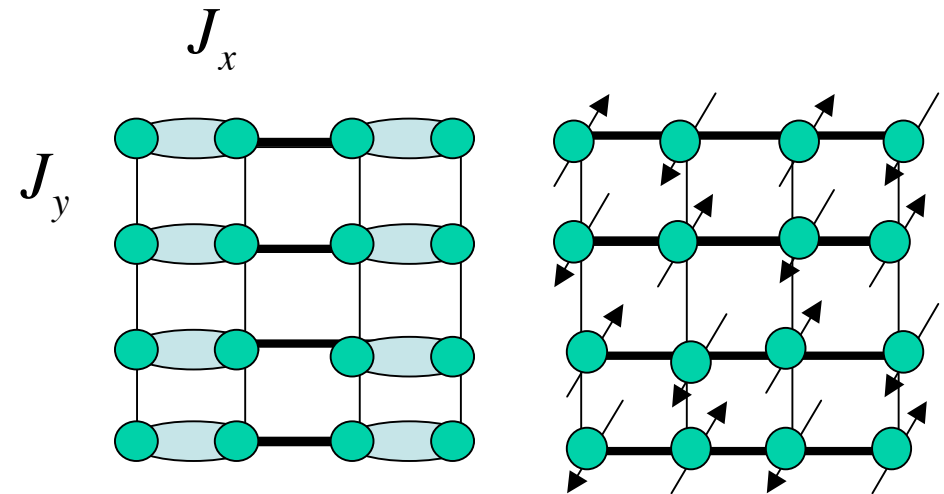
The SU'(4) model: dimensional crossover

- SU'(4) model: 1D dimer order; 2D Neel order.

- SU'(4) model in a rectangular lattice; phase diagram as J_y/J_x .

- Competition between the dimer and Neel order.

- **No frustration**; transition accessible by QMC.



Conclusion

- Spin 3/2 cold atomic systems open up a new opportunity to study high symmetry and novel phases.
- Quintet Cooper pairing: the Alice string and topological generation of quantum entanglement.
- Quartetting order and its competition with the pairing order.
- Strong quantum fluctuations in spin 3/2 magnetic systems.