

Composite fermion state of spin-orbit bosons and bosons in **Moat** Lattices



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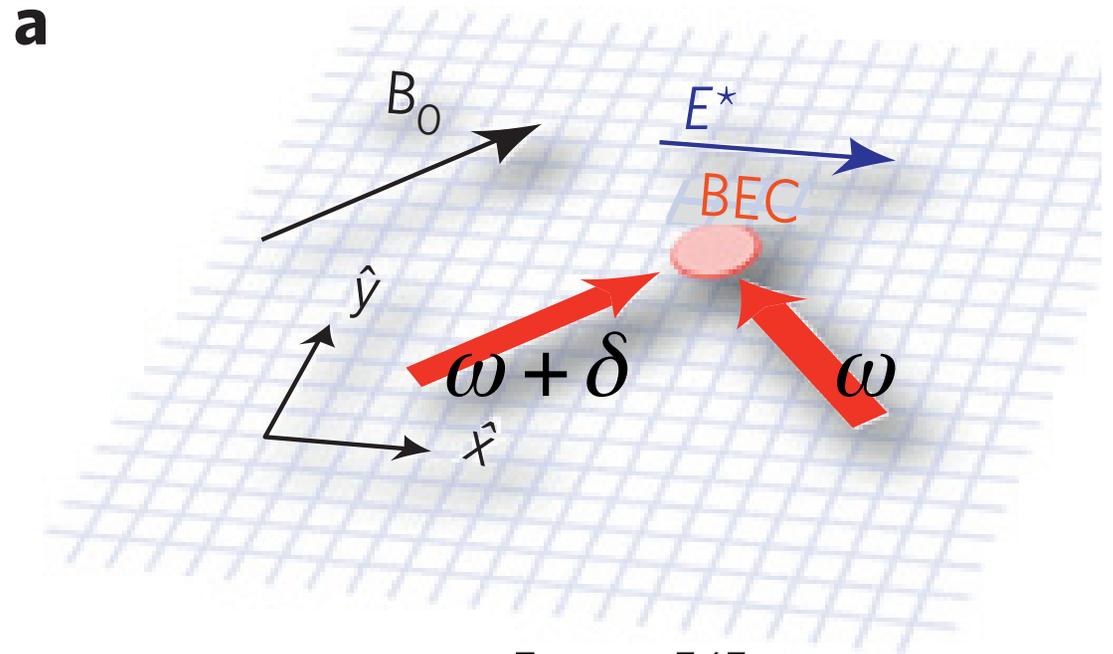
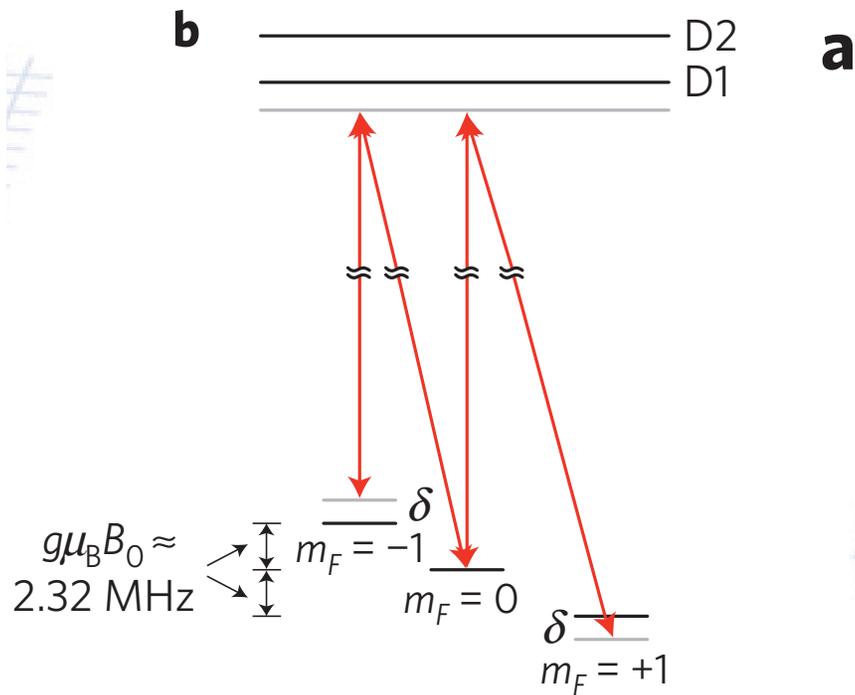
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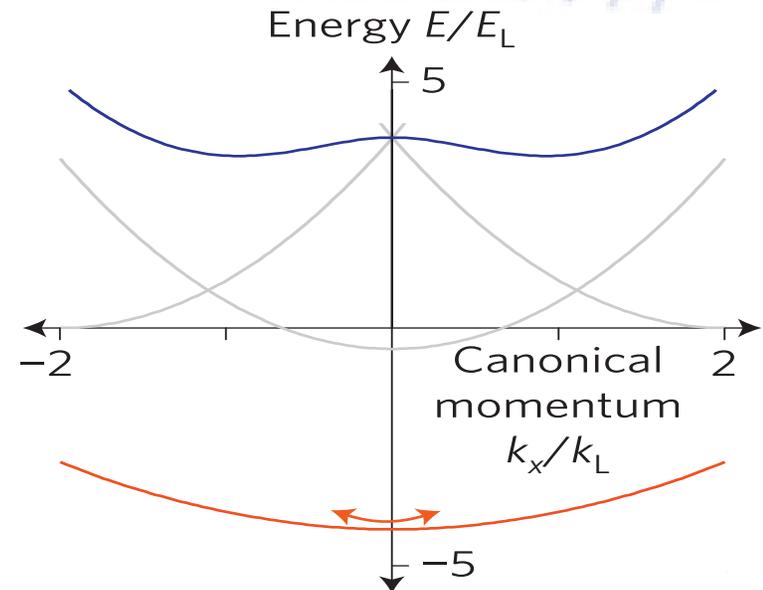


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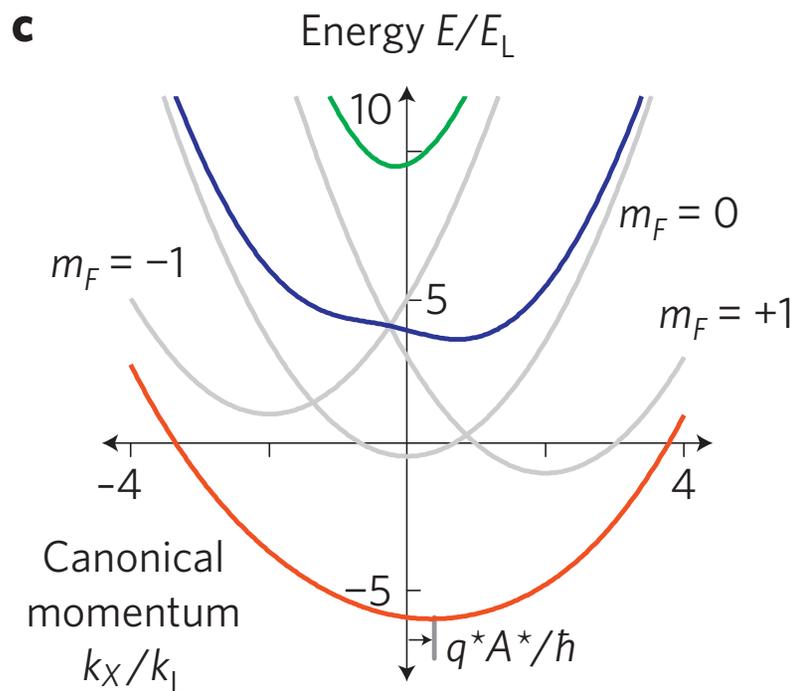
Dispersion Relation Engineering



$$H(\tilde{k}_x) = \begin{pmatrix} (\tilde{k}_x - 2)^2 + \delta & \Omega/2 & 0 \\ \Omega/2 & \tilde{k}_x^2 + \epsilon & \Omega/2 \\ 0 & \Omega/2 & (\tilde{k}_x + 2)^2 - \delta \end{pmatrix}$$



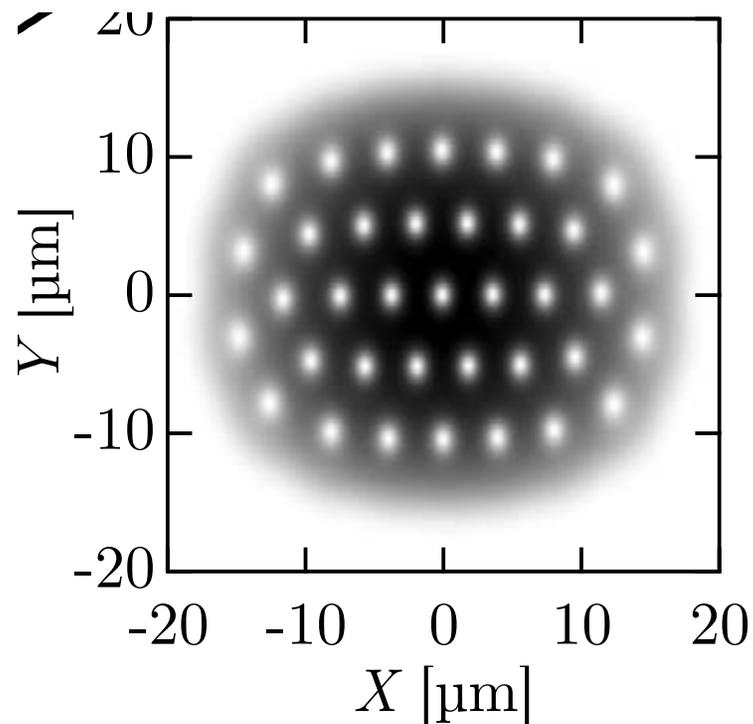
Synthetic Magnetic and Electric Fields



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$$\hat{H} = (\mathbf{p}_{\text{can}} - q\mathbf{A})^2 / 2m,$$

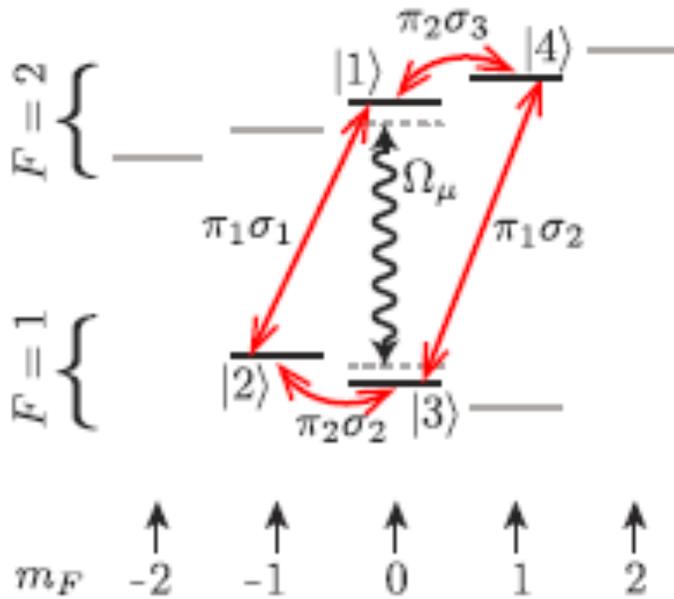
$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \quad E(t)\hat{x} = -\partial\mathbf{A}/\partial t$$



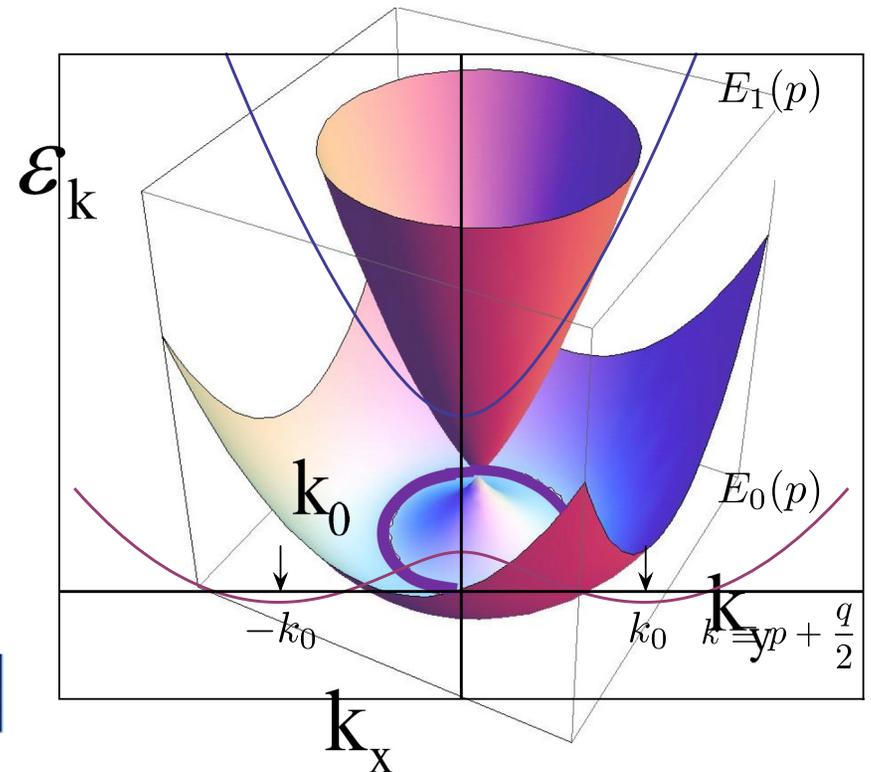
Spin-Orbit Coupling

Campbell, Juzeliunas, Spielman 2011

(a) Coupling diagram



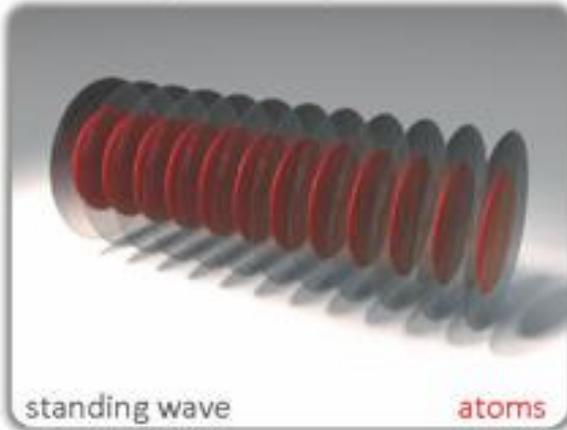
$$\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{k^2}{2m} \pm vk$$



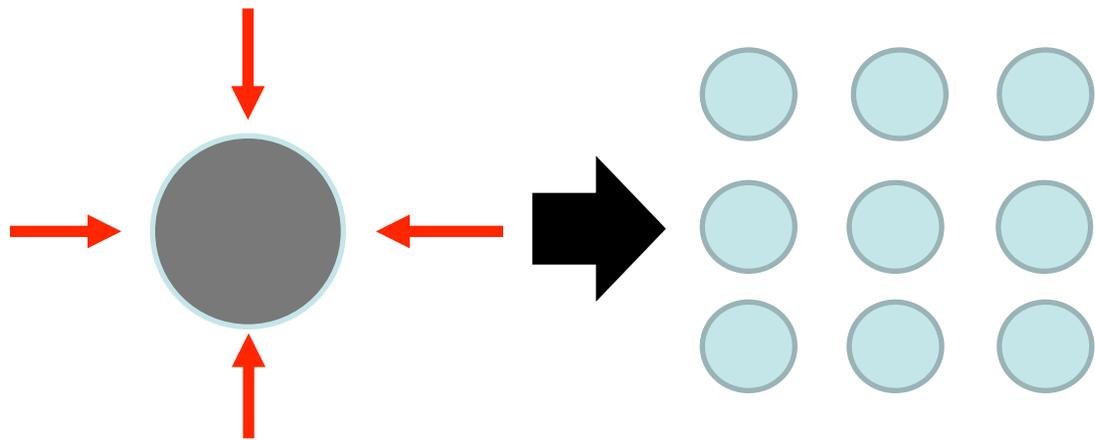
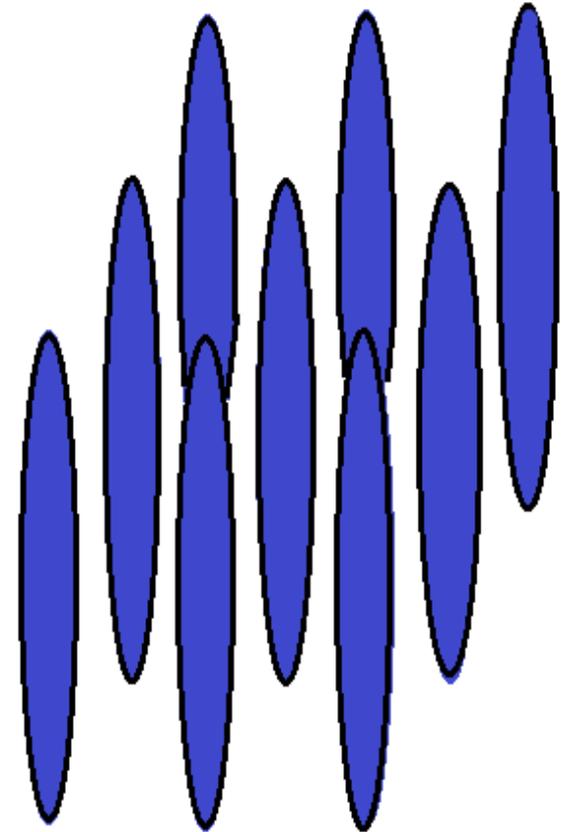
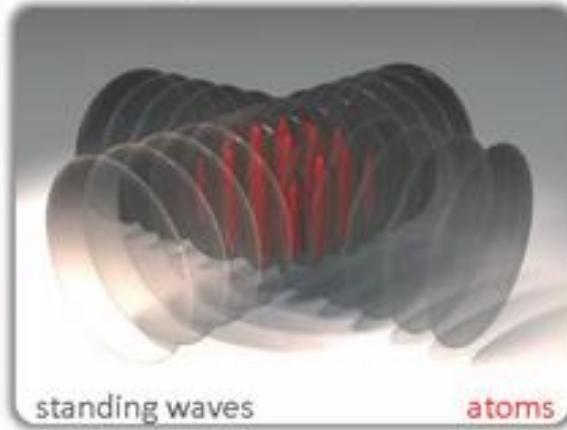
$$H_0 = -\frac{\nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2}{2m} + iv\hat{\mathbf{z}} \cdot [\boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \nabla_{\mathbf{r}}]$$

Optical Lattices

quasi-2D systems



quasi-1D systems

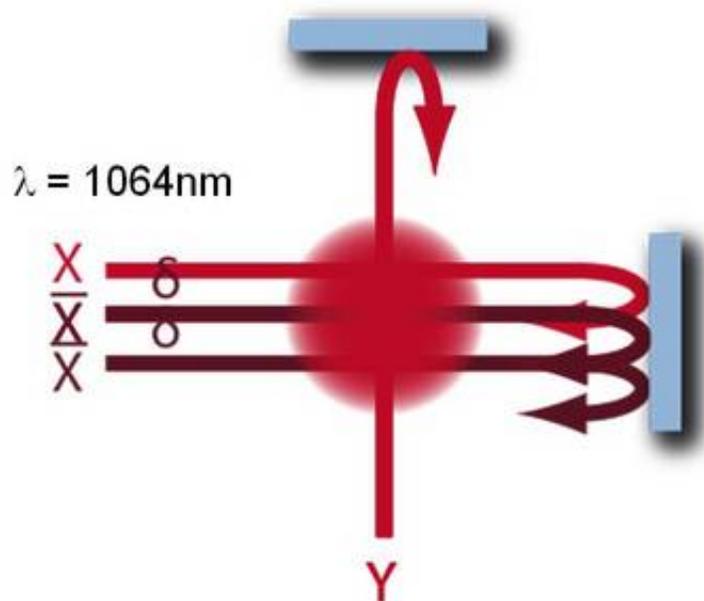


1D: $T, \mu \ll \omega_{\perp}$

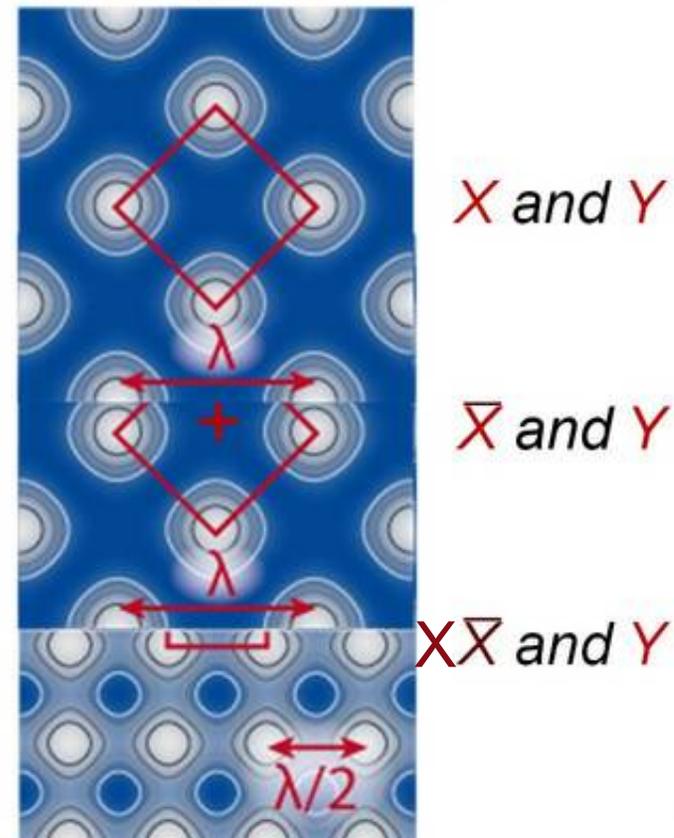
An optical lattice of tunable geometry

ETH

Setup



Optical potential



L. Tarruell, T. Esslinger, et al. ETH Zurich

$$V(x, y) = V_{\bar{X}} \cos^2(kx + \theta/2) + V_X \cos^2(kx) + V_Y \cos^2(ky) + 2\alpha \sqrt{V_X V_Y} \cos(kx) \cos(ky)$$

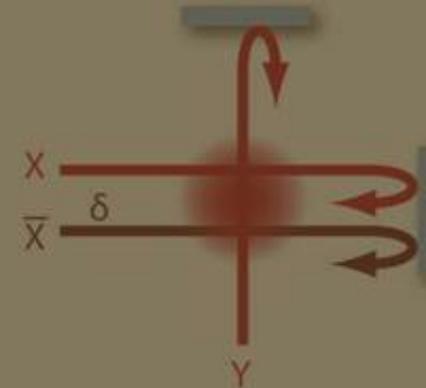
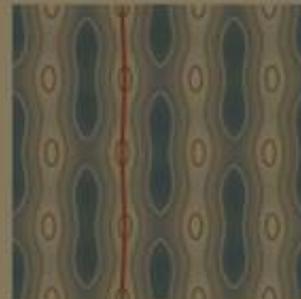
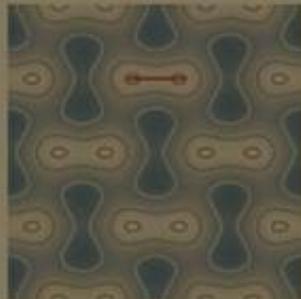
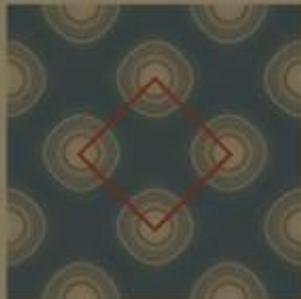
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Chequerboard

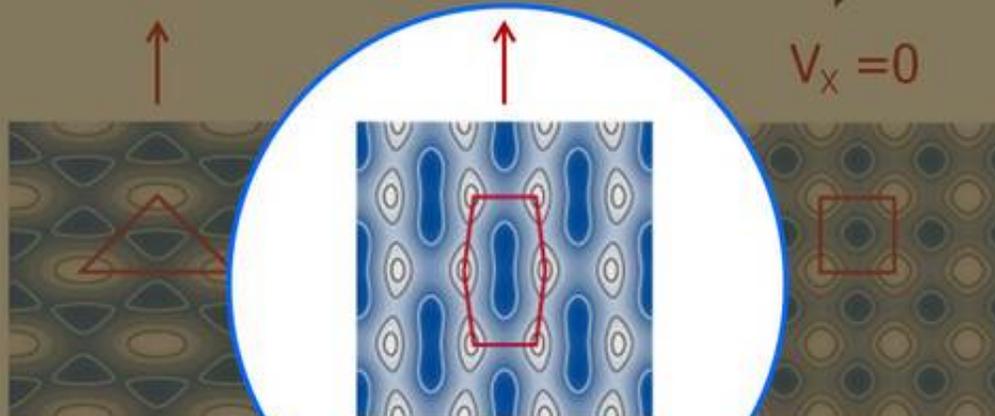
Dimer

1D chains



$V_{\bar{x}} [E_R]$

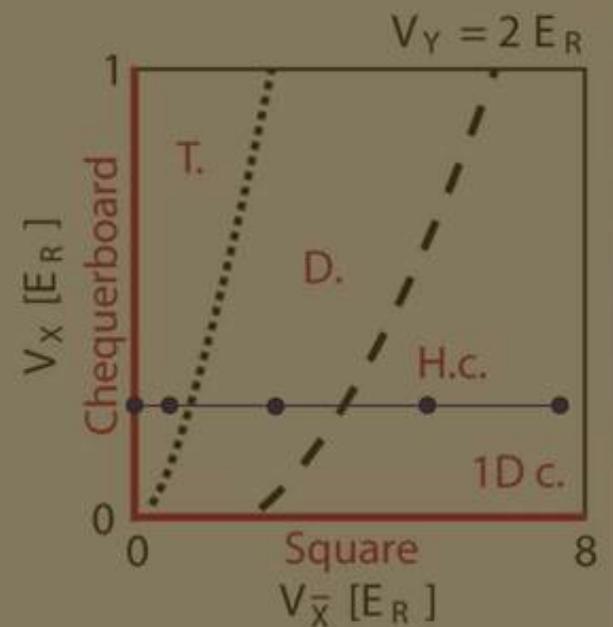
$V_x = 0$



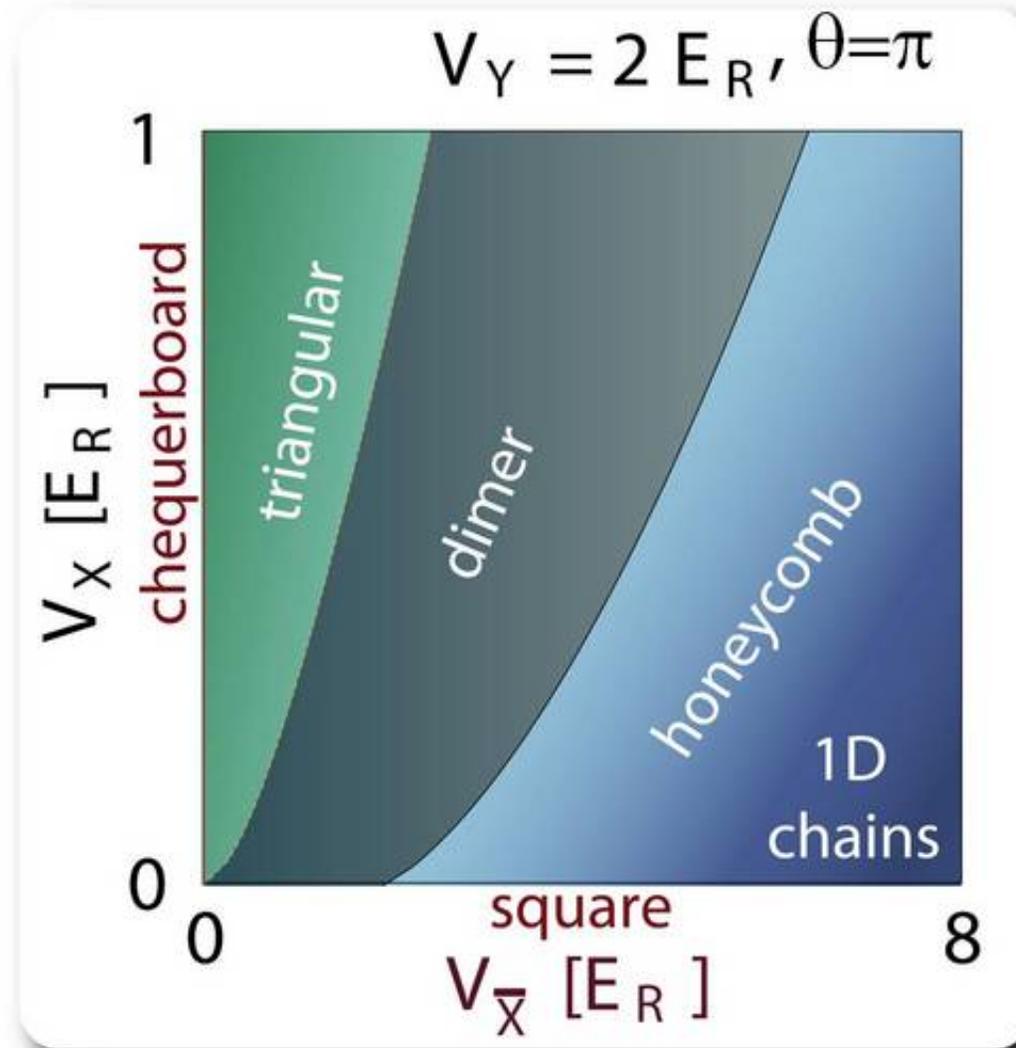
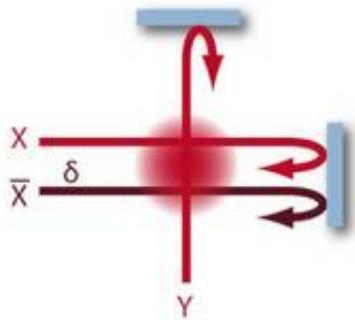
Triangular

Honeycomb

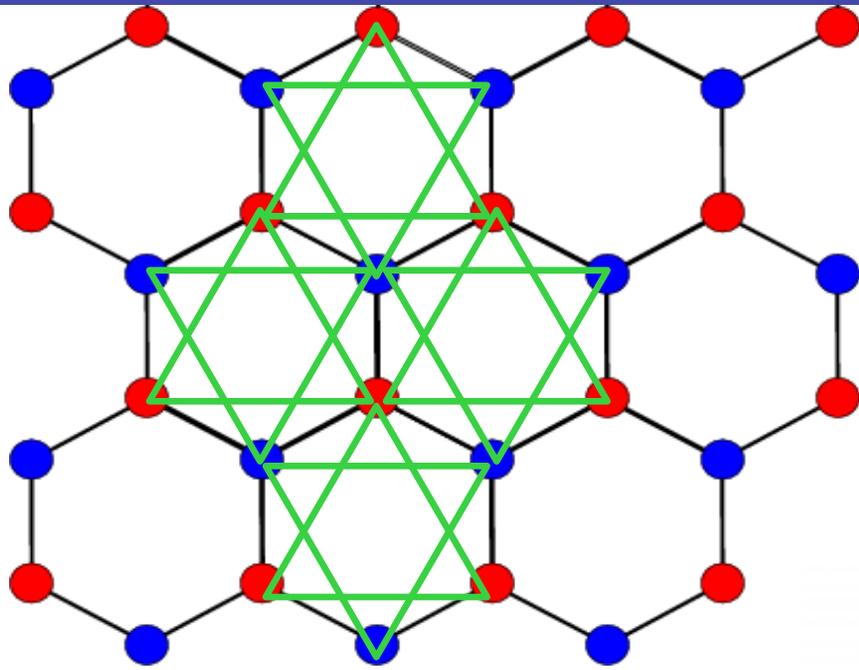
Square



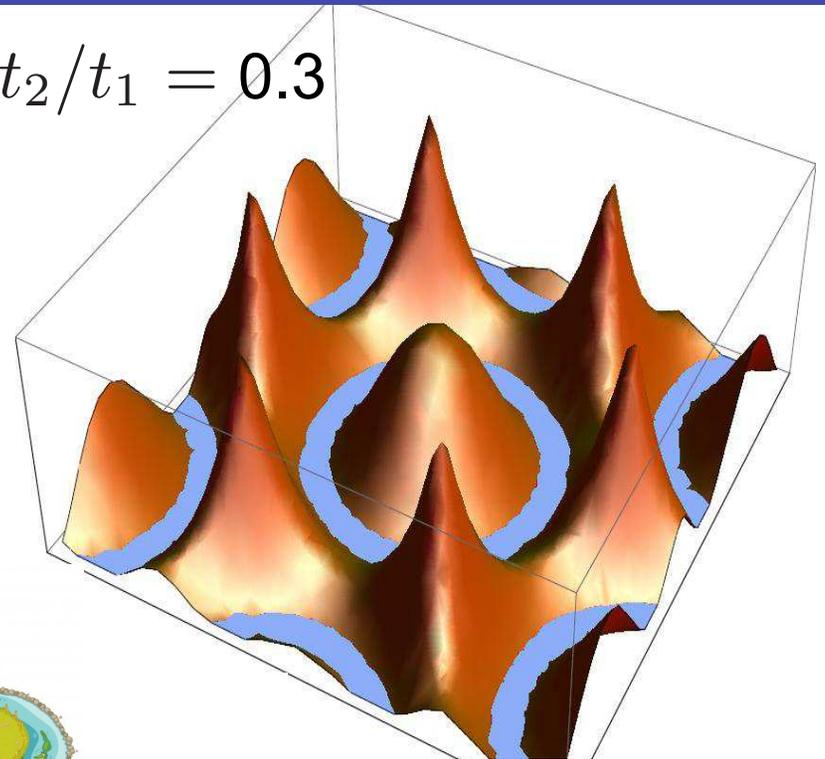
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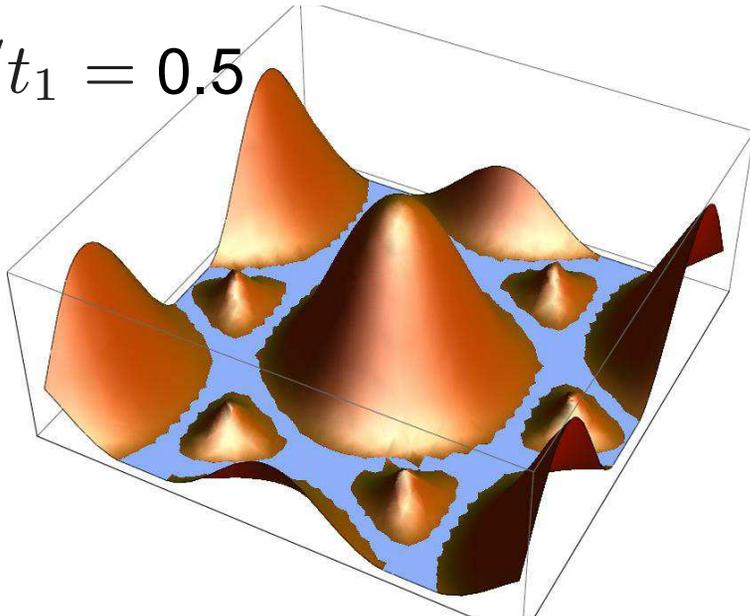
Moat Lattices



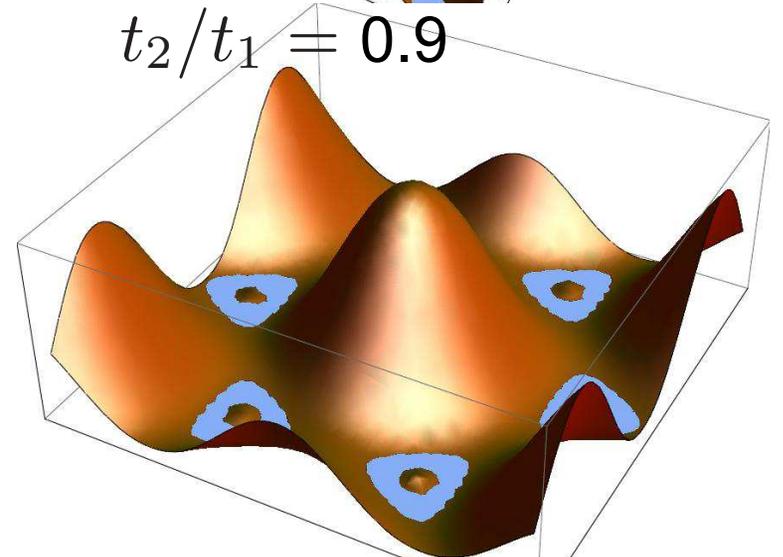
$$t_2/t_1 = 0.3$$



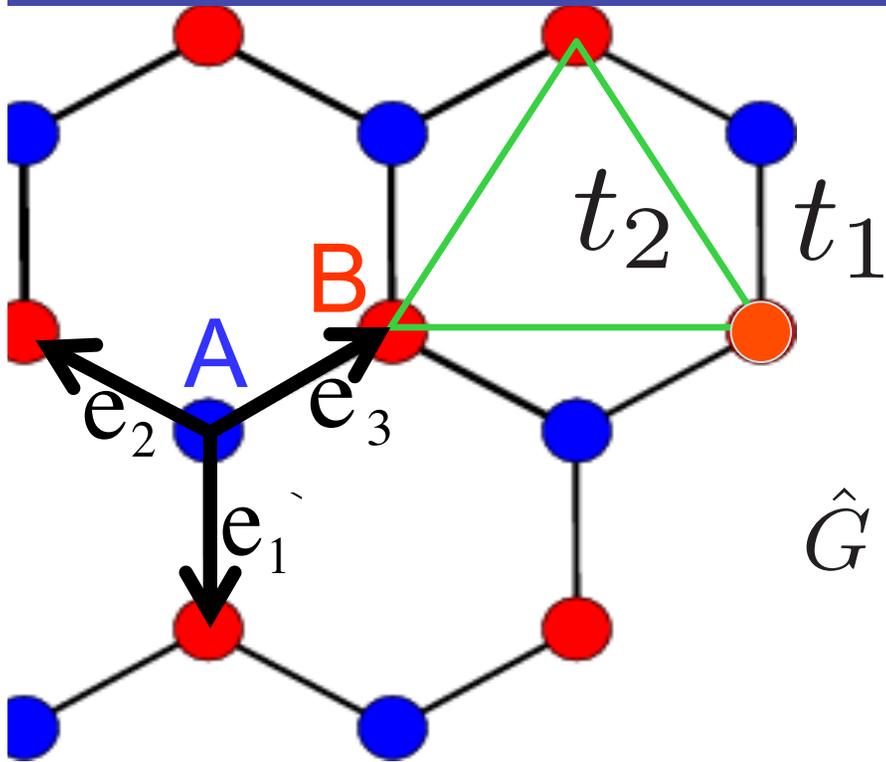
$$t_2/t_1 = 0.5$$



$$t_2/t_1 = 0.9$$



Moat Lattices



$$\hat{T} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & \hat{G} \\ \hat{G}^\dagger & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} A \\ B \end{matrix}$$

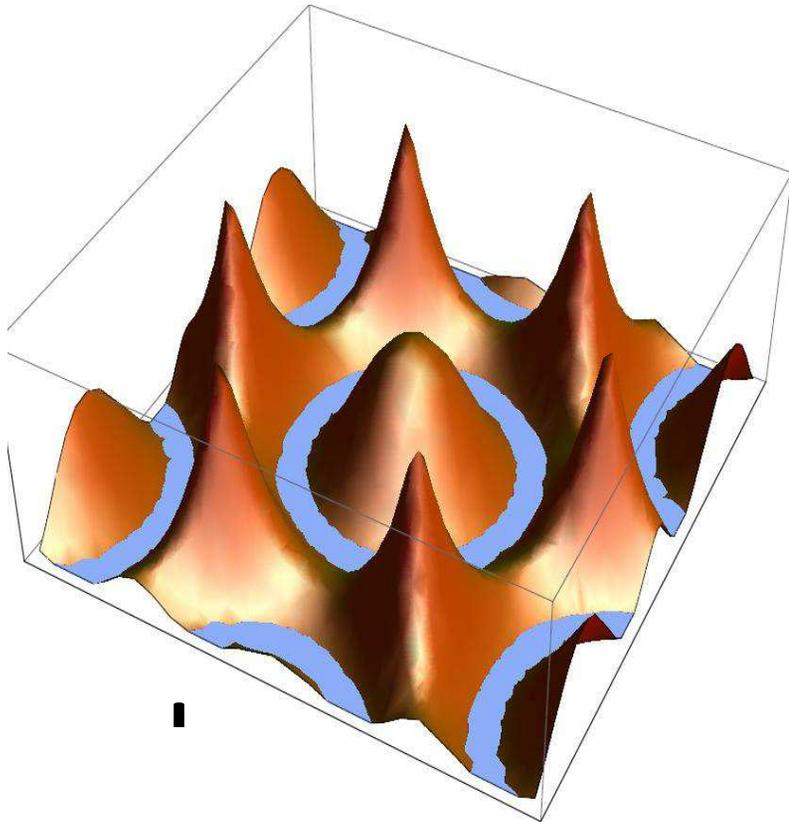
$$\hat{G} = G_{\mathbf{k}} = \sum_{j=1,2,3} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{e}_j}$$

$$\hat{H} = t_1 \hat{T} + t_2 \hat{T}^2$$

Nearest-neighbor
graphene

Next-nearest-neighbor
graphene square

Moat Lattices



$$\hat{H} = t_1 \hat{T} + t_2 \hat{T}^2$$

$$E_{\mathbf{k}}^{(\mp)} = \mp |t_1| |G_{\mathbf{k}}| + t_2 |G_{\mathbf{k}}|^2$$

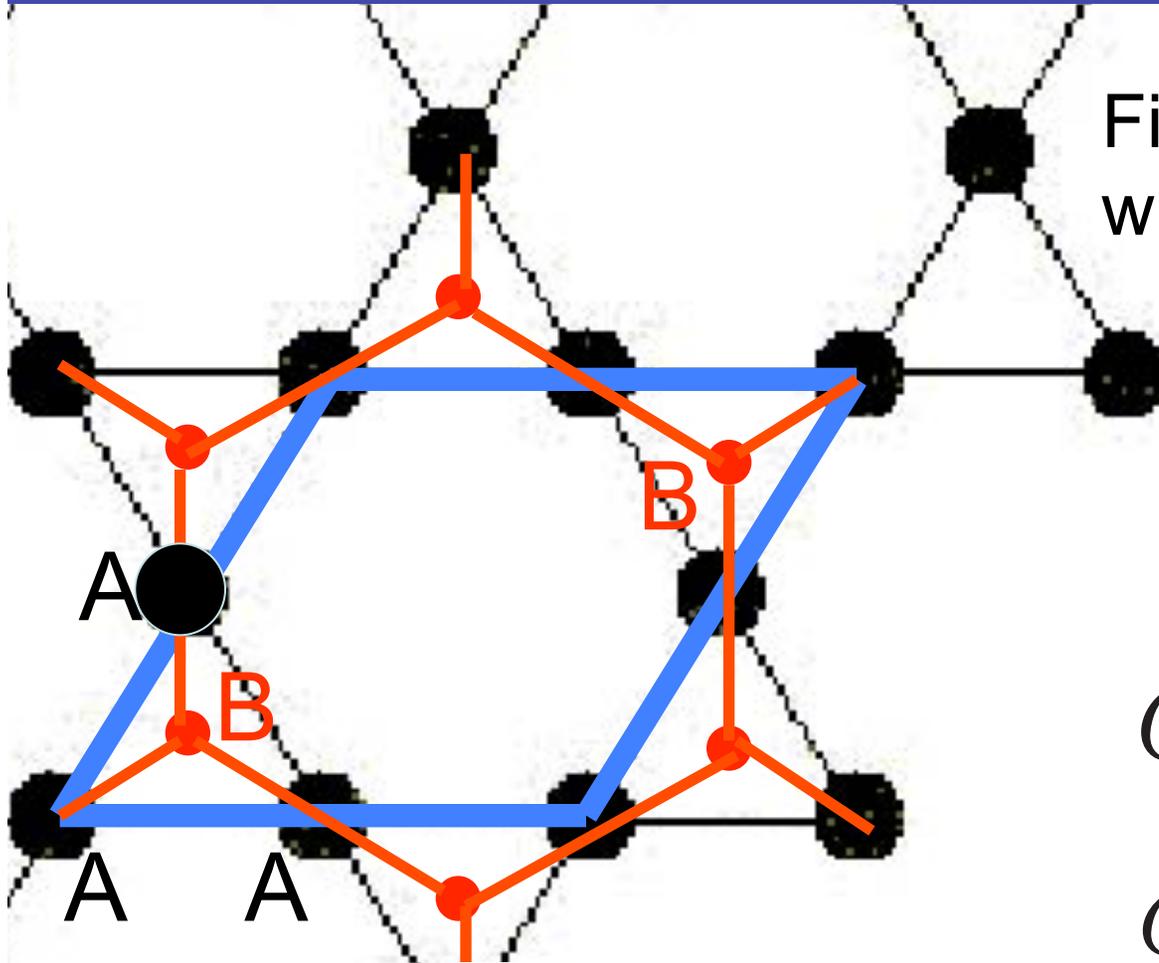
graphene

graphene square

The Moat: $|G_{\mathbf{k}}| = |t_1|/2t_2$.

Non-trivial if $t_2/t_1 > 1/6$

Kagome



Fictitious bipartite lattice
with 5 sites per unit cell

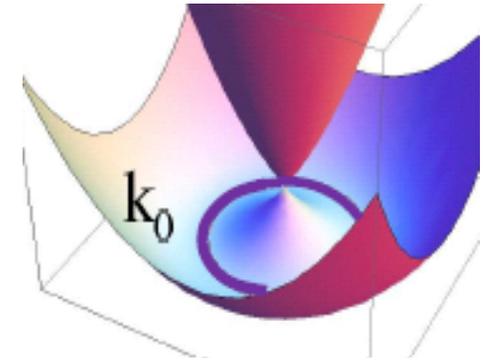
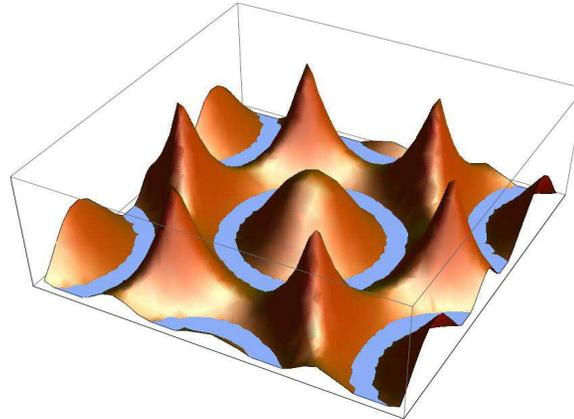
$$\hat{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \hat{G} \\ \hat{G}^\dagger & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\hat{G} 2 x 3 matrix

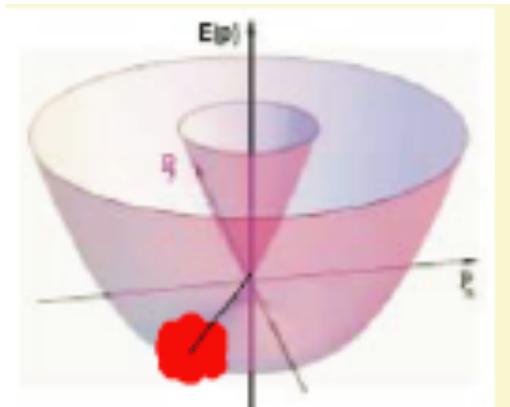
\hat{G}^\dagger 3 x 2 matrix

Kagome: $\hat{G}^\dagger \hat{G} = (3 \times 2) \times (2 \times 3)$, thus zero determinant,
i.e. flat band.

Bosons in a Moat: do they condense?

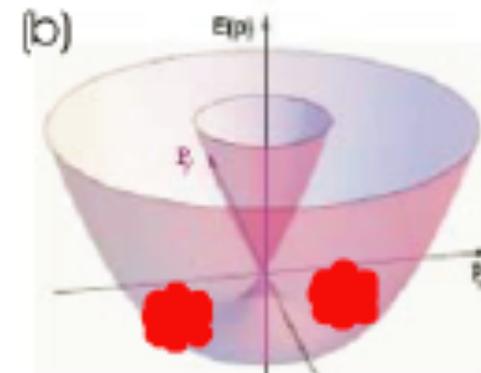


Time-Reversal Symmetry Breaking



$$\Psi_k \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{ikr} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -e^{i \arg(k)} \end{pmatrix}$$

(Spin-)Density Wave



$$\Psi_k \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(kr) \\ i \sin(kr) \end{pmatrix}$$

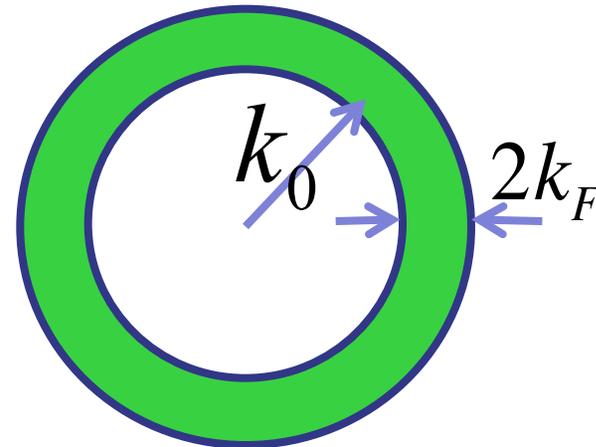
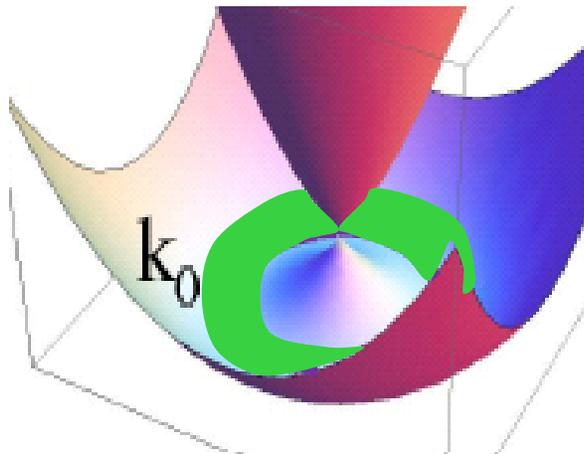
Chunji Wang, Chao Gao, Chao-Ming Jian, and Hui Zhai, PRL 105, 160403 (2010)

However...

DOS diverge as $\rho(E) \sim 1/\sqrt{E}$ at the Moat bottom, as in 1D:

No condensation at finite temperature. How about $T = 0$?

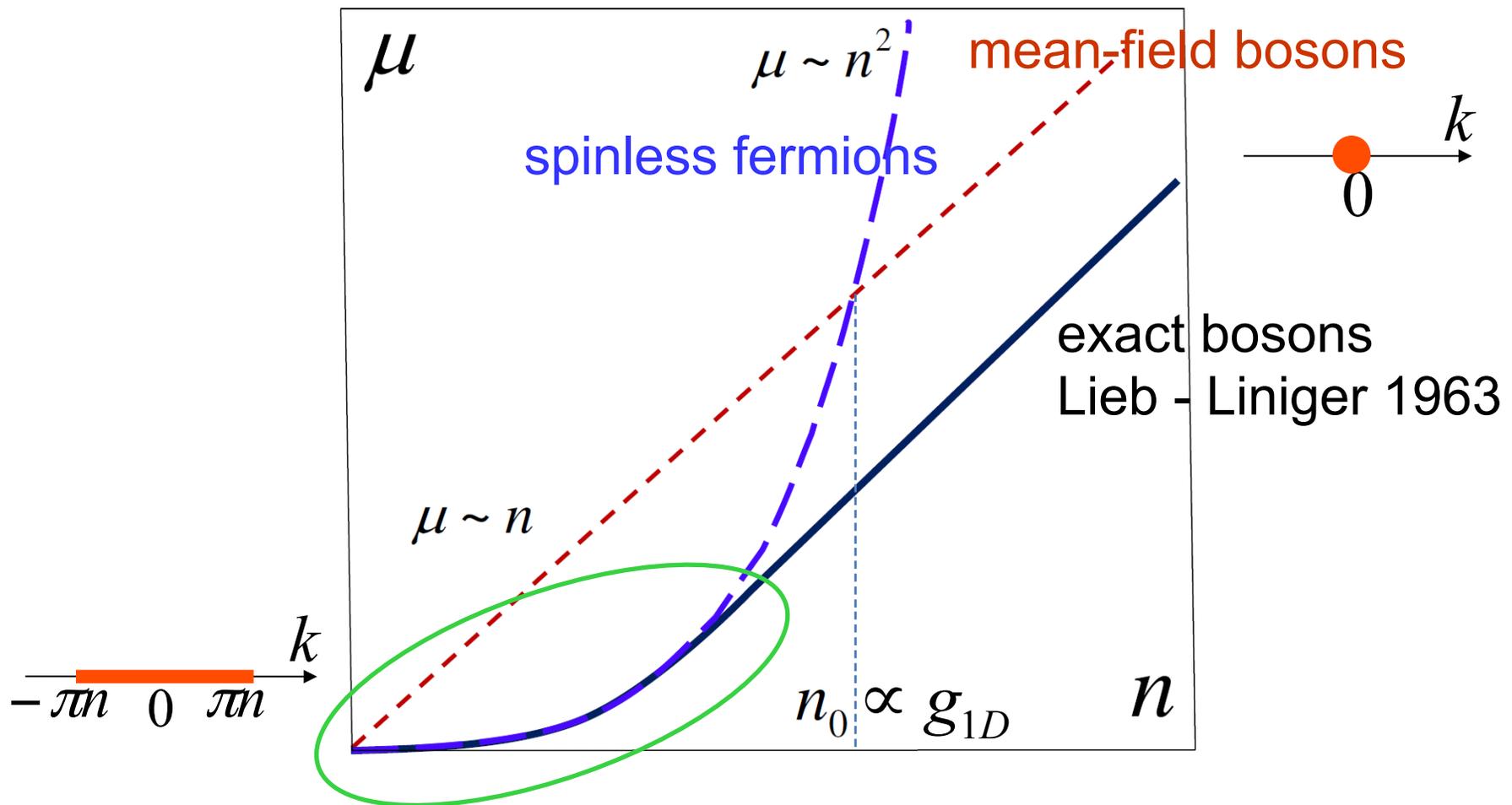
Consider for a moment fermions instead of bosons:



Fermi-chemical potential: $(2\pi k_0)(2k_F) \sim 4\pi^2 n$ \Rightarrow

$$E_F = \frac{k_F^2}{2m} \sim n^2$$

Reminder: spinless 1D model



Tonks-Girardeau
limit

$$\Psi_B(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \prod_{i,j} \text{sign}(x_i - x_j) \Psi_F(x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

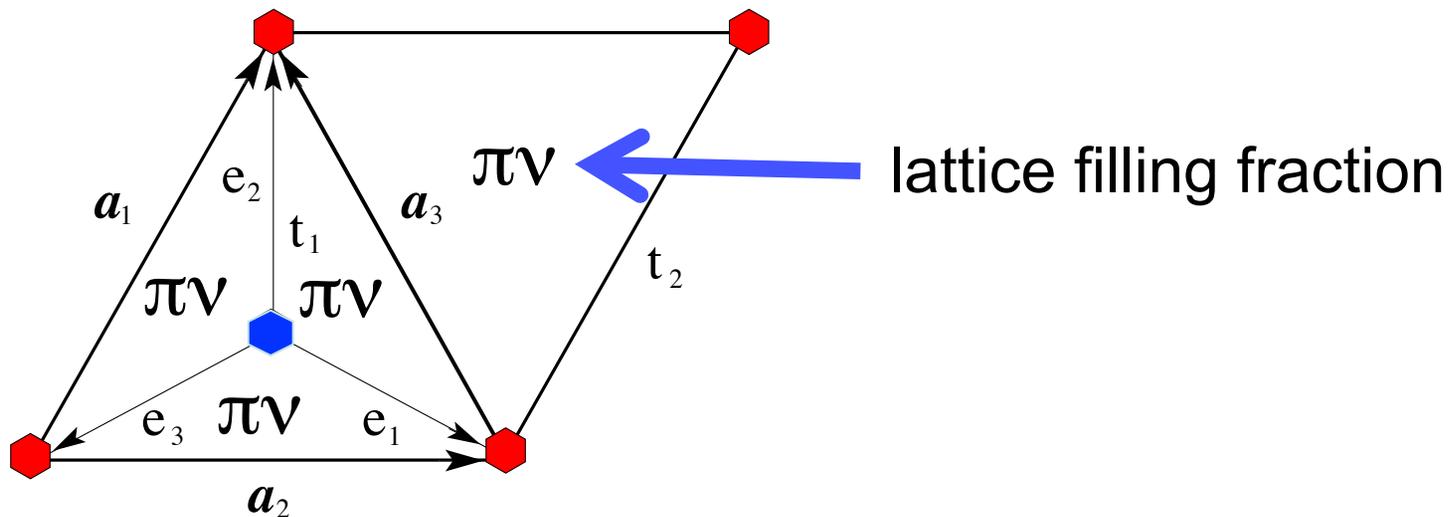
Can one Fermionize Bosons on 2D lattice?

Chern-Simons transformation:

$$b_{\mathbf{r}}^{(\dagger)} = c_{\mathbf{r}}^{(\dagger)} e^{\pm i \sum_{\mathbf{r}' \neq \mathbf{r}} \arg[\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'] n_{\mathbf{r}'}}$$

boson fermion

One obtains **non-interacting** fermions on the lattice in an effective **magnetic field** (constant + **staggered** a-la Haldane).



Effective Fermion Hamiltonian

Hamiltonian preserves the algebraic structure!:

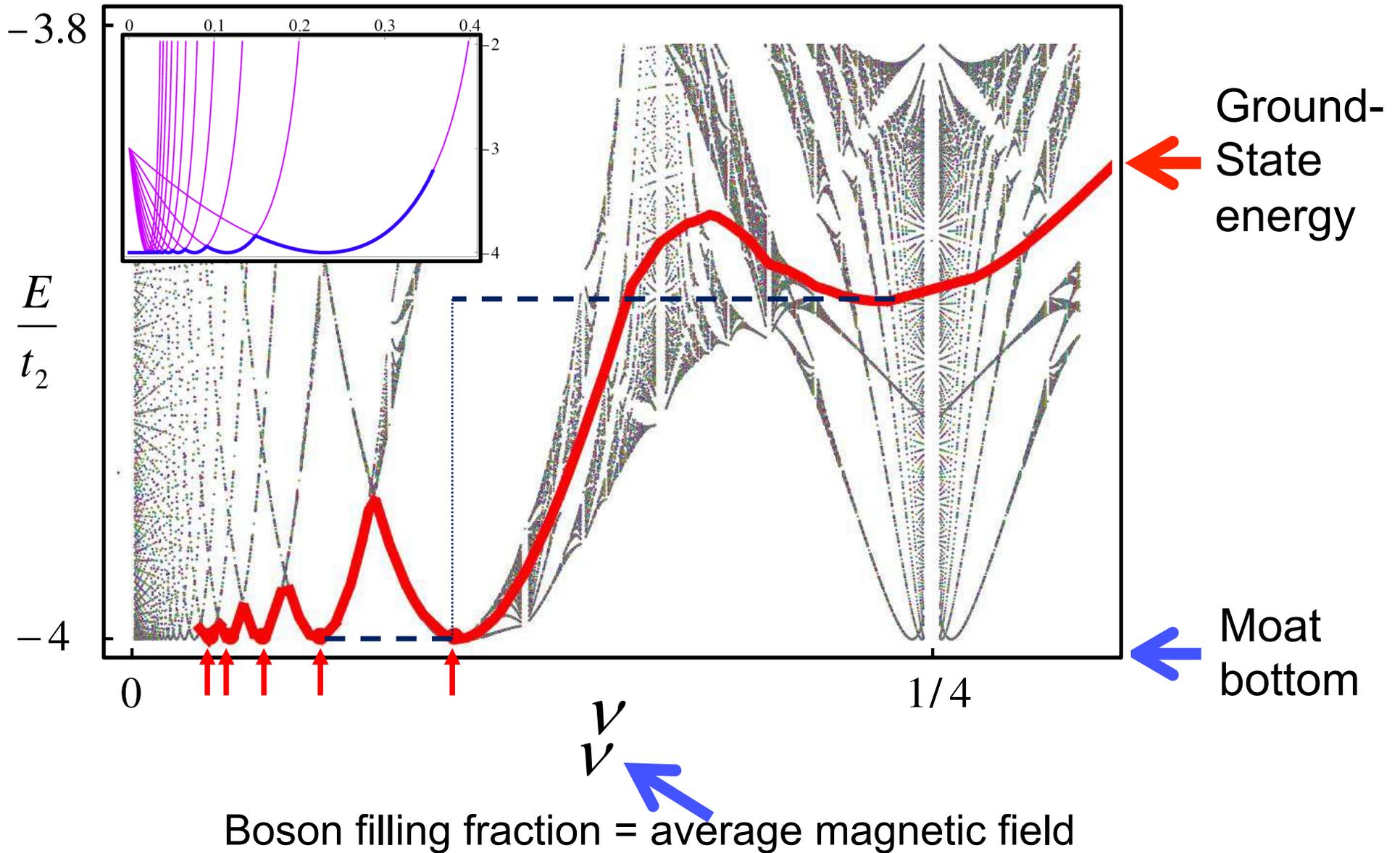
$$\hat{H} = t_1 \hat{T} + t_2 \hat{T}^2 \quad \hat{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \hat{G} \\ \hat{G}^\dagger & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hofstadter problem on graphene

$$\hat{G} = \sum_j e^{i\mathbf{e}_j \cdot (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{A}_r)}$$

\hat{G}^\dagger and \hat{G} do not commute

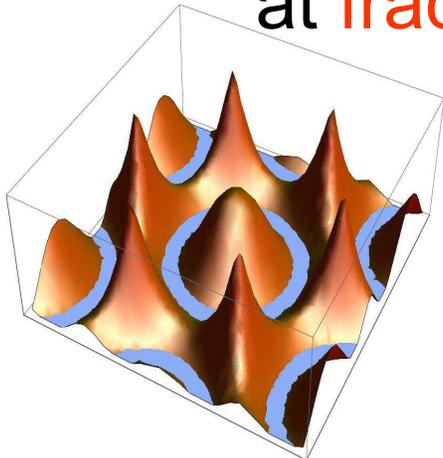
Butterflies in the Moat



Fractional density quantization

Chemical potential exhibits discontinuities

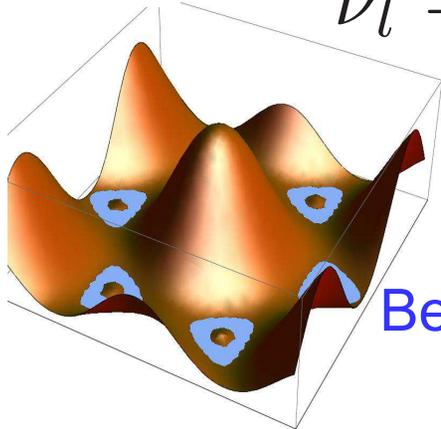
at **fractionally quantized** filling factors



Area of the Brillouin zone encircled by the Moat

A_c

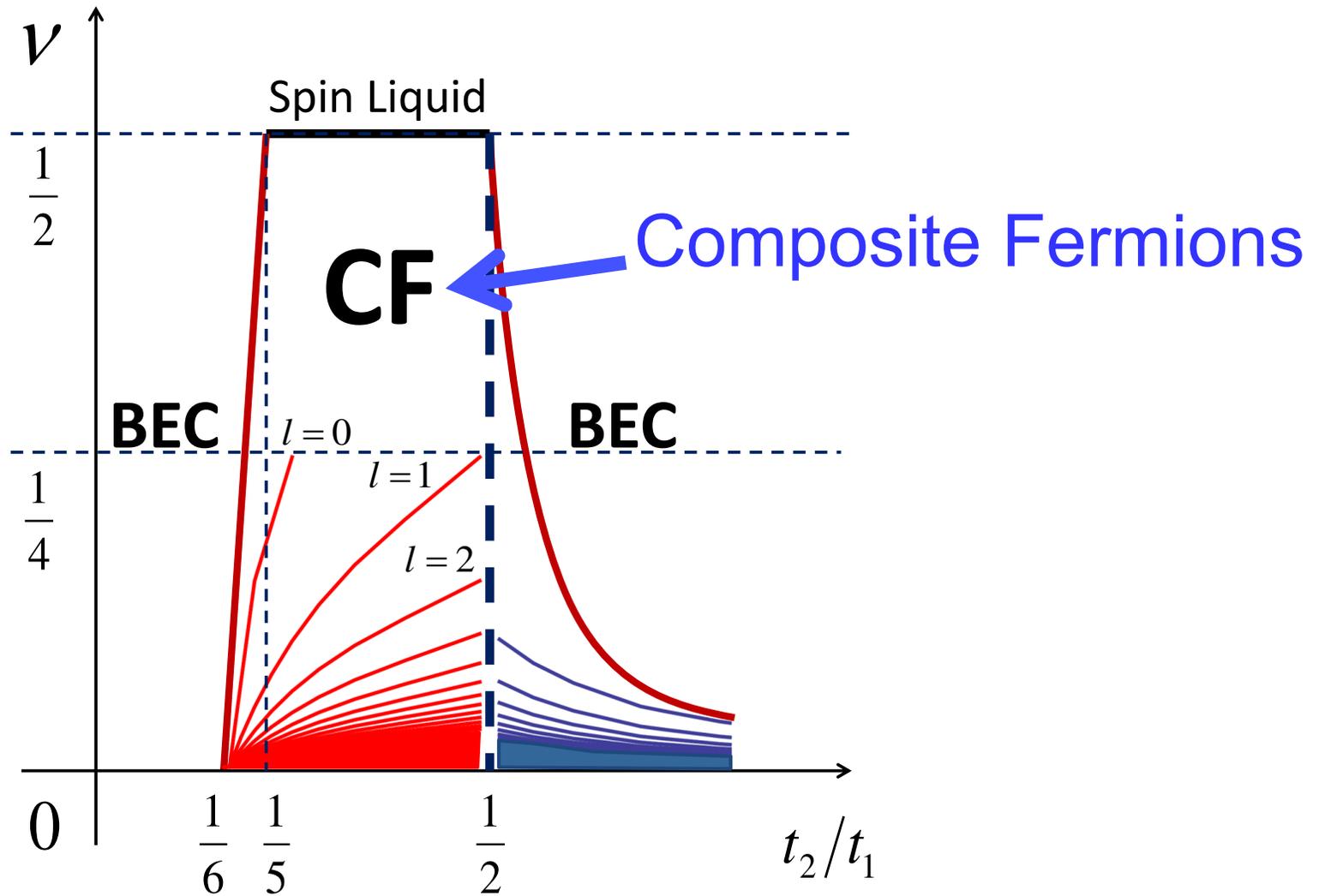
$$\nu_l = \frac{A_c}{2l + 1 + \gamma/\pi}, \quad l = 0, 1, \dots,$$



Berry phase: $\gamma = 0$ if Moat encircles Γ point

$\gamma = \pi$ if Moat encircles \mathbf{K} and \mathbf{K}'

Phase Diagram of Hard-core bosons



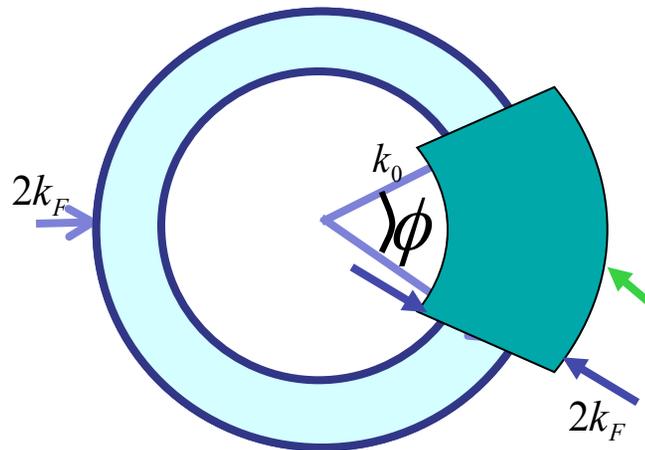
Incompressible domains with fractional fillings and edge states

Conclusions

Life is good with a Moat



Fermions with spin do interact



$$E_{\text{int}} \propto g(1 - \cos \phi) \propto g\phi^2$$

Hartree

Fock

Variational Fermi surface

$$E_{\text{kin}} \propto k_F^2 \propto \left(\frac{n}{k_0 \phi} \right)^2$$

$$E_{\text{int}} \propto gn\phi^2$$

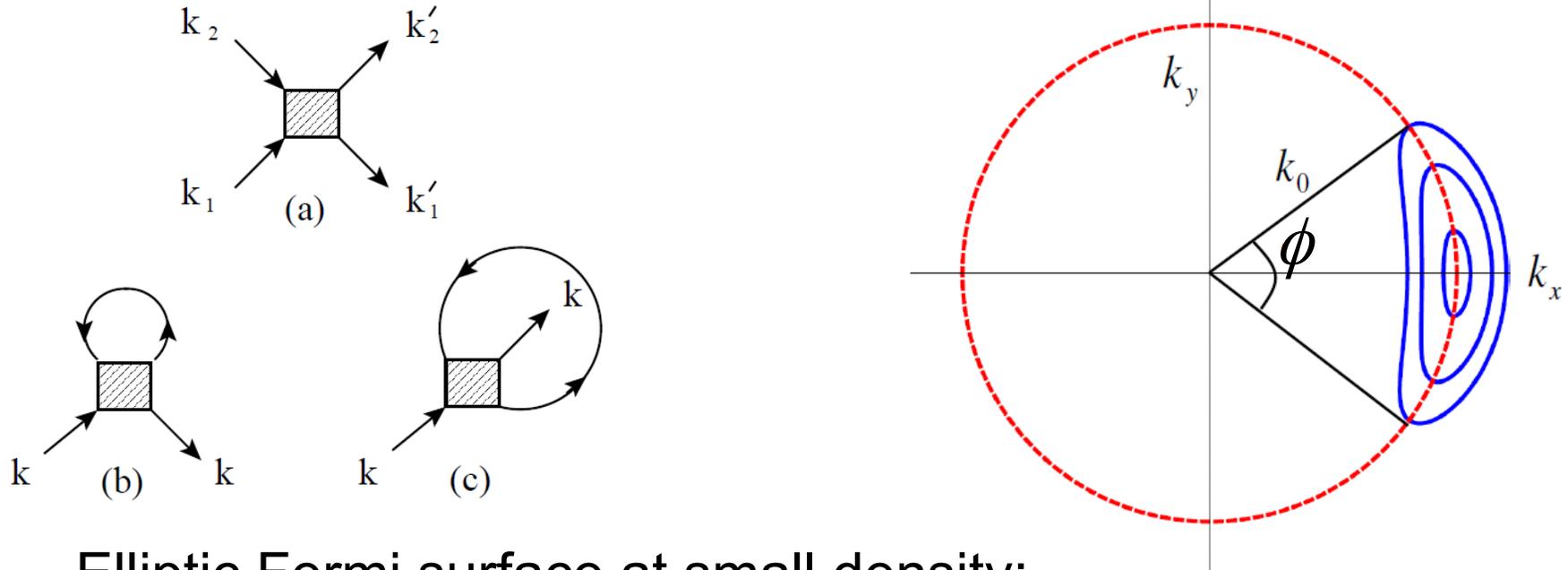
minimizing w.r.t. ϕ

$$\phi = \left(\frac{n}{gk_0^2} \right)^{1/4}$$

$$E_{\text{kin}} \propto E_{\text{int}} \propto \sqrt{\frac{g}{k_0}} n^{3/2} \ll n$$

Self-consistent Hartree-Fock for Rashba fermions

Berg, Rudner, and Kivelson, (2012) *nematic state*



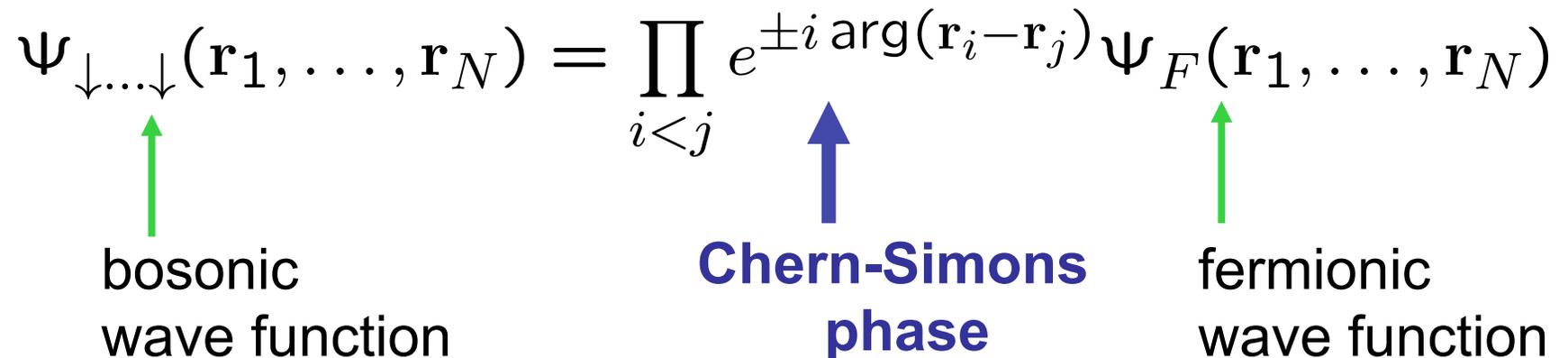
Elliptic Fermi surface at small density:

$$H_{HF} = \frac{(k_x - k_0)^2}{2m} + \frac{k_y^2}{2m_y} \quad m_y = m \frac{k_0^2}{gn} \gg m$$

nematic fermions $\mu \propto \sqrt{\frac{g}{k_0}} n^{3/2} \ll gn$ mean-field bosons

Fermionization in 2D? Chern-Simons!

$$\Psi_{\downarrow\dots\downarrow}(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) = \prod_{i < j} e^{\pm i \arg(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)} \Psi_F(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N)$$



- ✓ (plus/minus) One flux quantum per particle
- ✓ Broken parity P
- ✓ Higher spin components are uniquely determined by the **projection** on the lower Rashba branch
- ✓ Fermionic wave function is Slater determinant, minimizing kinetic and interaction energy

Chern-Simons magnetic Field

$$\Psi_{\downarrow\dots\downarrow}(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) = \prod_{i < j} e^{\pm i \arg(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)} \Psi_F(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{k}} \pm \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{A}_\alpha(\mathbf{r}_j) = \sum_{i \neq j} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \frac{(\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i)_\beta}{|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i|^2}$$

$$B_{CS}(\mathbf{r}_j) = \text{rot} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}_j) = 2\pi \sum_{i \neq j} \delta(\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i) \rightarrow 2\pi n$$

mean-field approximation

Particles with the cyclotron mass: $m_c = \sqrt{m_x m_y} = m \sqrt{\frac{k_0^2}{gn}}$

in a uniform magnetic field: $B_{CS} = 2\pi n$

Integer Quantum Hall State

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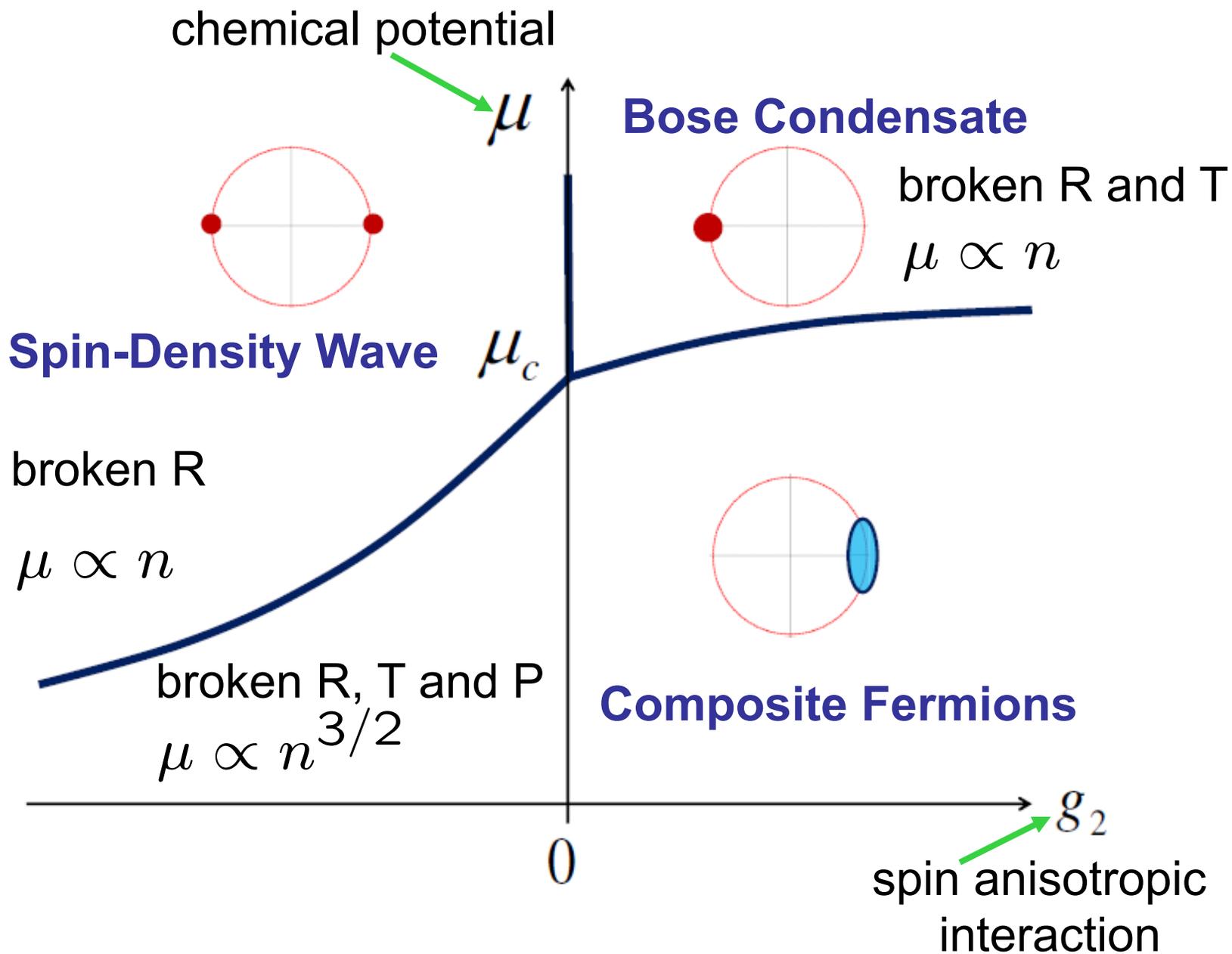
Landau levels: $\varepsilon_l = \frac{B_{CS}}{m_c} \left(l + \frac{1}{2} \right)$

One flux quanta per particle, thus $\nu=1$ filling factor: IQHE

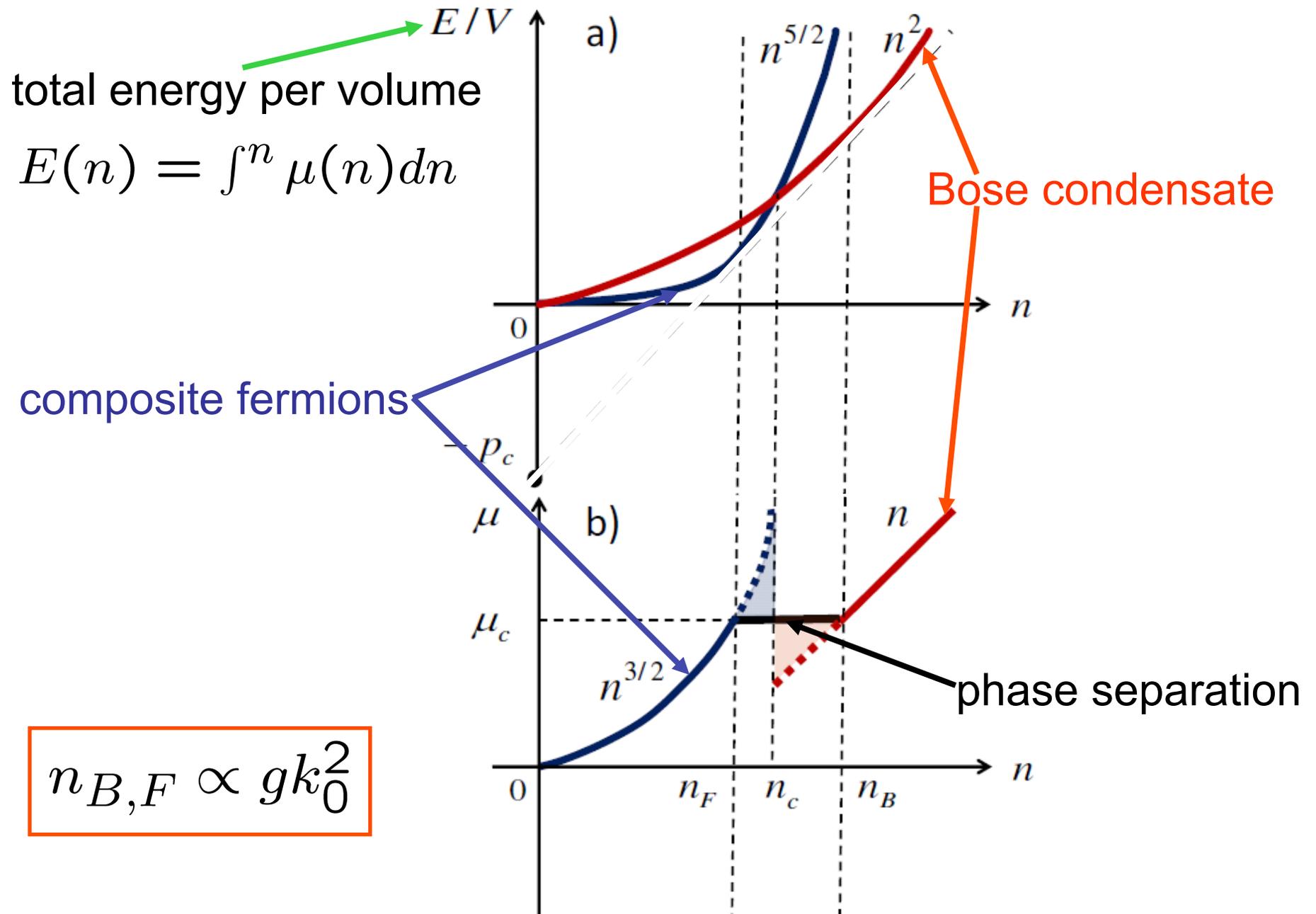
$$\mu = \varepsilon_0 = \frac{\pi \sqrt{g}}{m k_0} n^{3/2}$$

- ✓ Gapped bulk and chiral edge mode:
interacting topological insulator

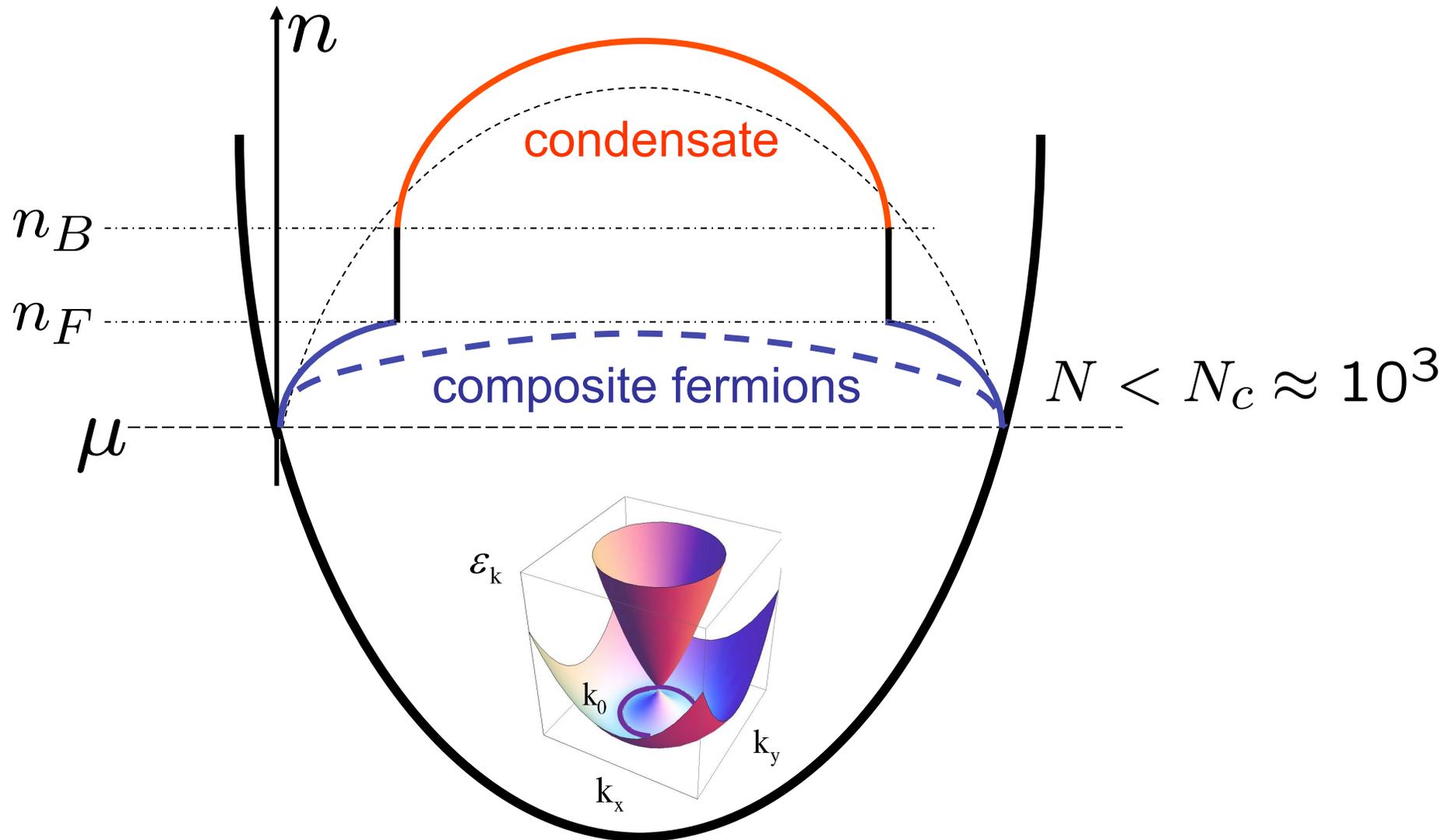
Phase Diagram



Phase Separation



Rashba Bosons in a Harmonic Trap



high density **Bose condensate** in the middle and low density **composite fermions** in the periphery

Conclusions

- ✓ At low density Rashba bosons exhibit **Composite Fermion** groundstate
- ✓ CF state breaks **R**, **T** and **P** symmetries
- ✓ CF state is gaped in the bulk, but supports gapless edge mode, realizing interacting **topological insulator**
- ✓ CF equation of state: $\mu(n) \propto n^{3/2}$
- ✓ There is an interval of densities where CF **coexists** with the **Bose condensate**
- ✓ In a trap the low-density CF fraction is pushed to the **edges** of the trap

M