

Topological Materials, Strongly Correlated Systems, and Quantum Information

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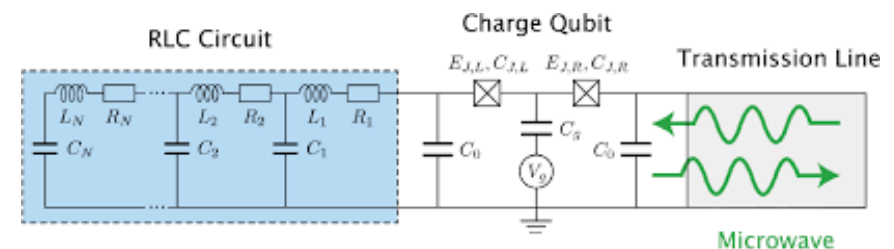
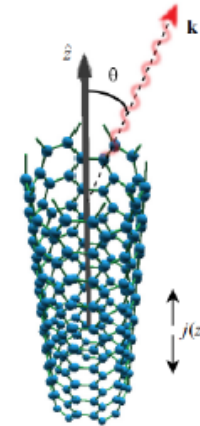
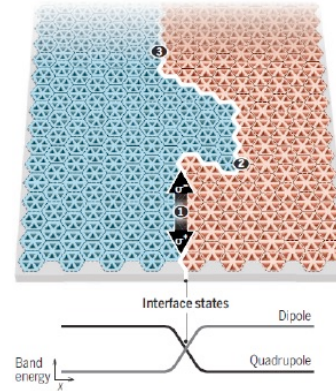
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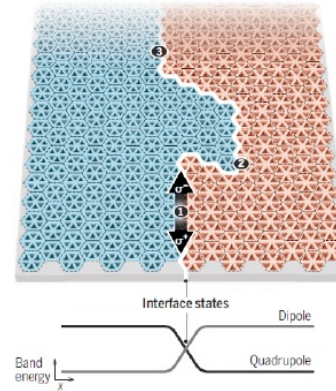
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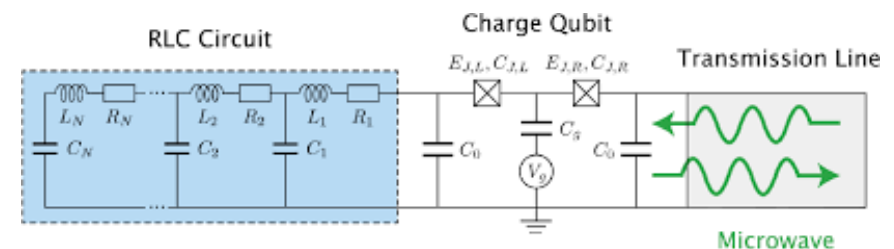
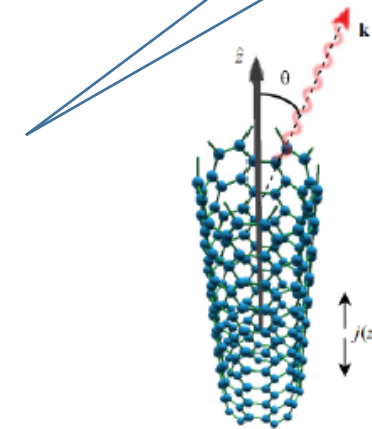


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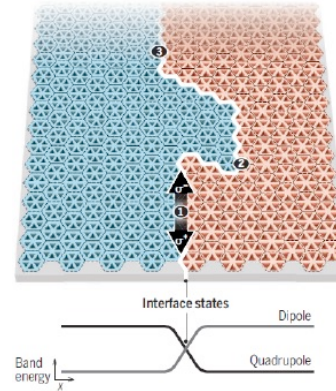


Three Areas of Research

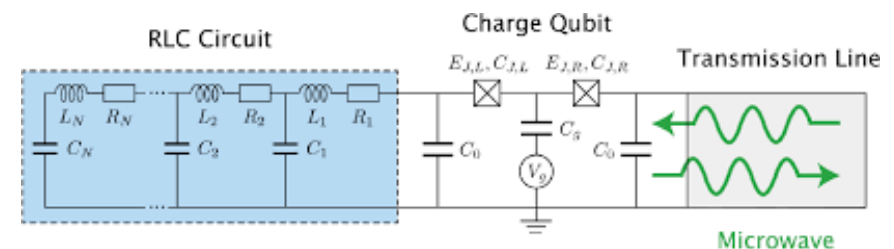
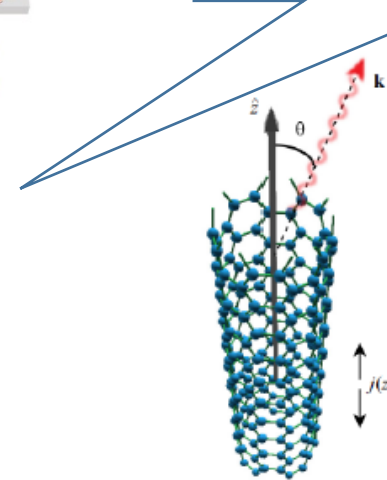


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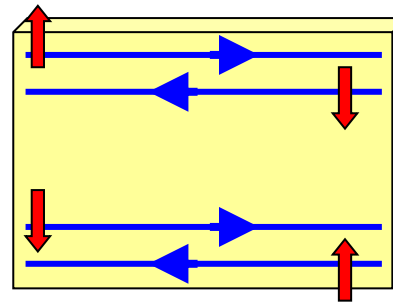
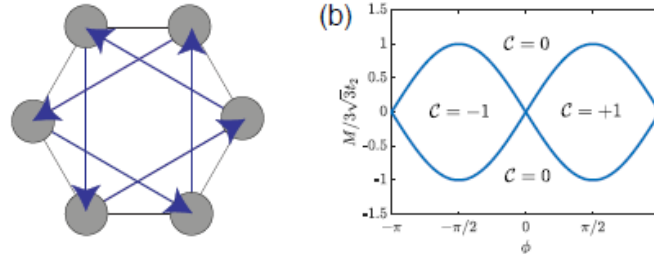
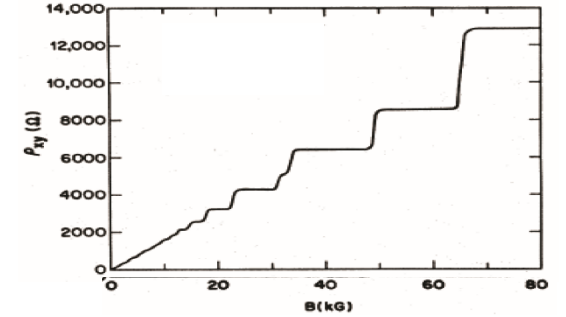
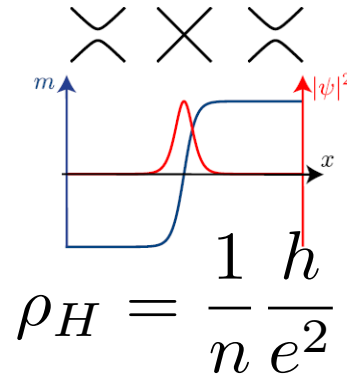


Major Themes: Quantum Information, Non-Fermi liquids, Engineered Systems, Topological Order, Exotic Quasiparticles



Topological Systems and Protected Edge States

- Su-Schrieffer-Heeger Model
- Integer Quantum Hall Effect
- Haldane Model
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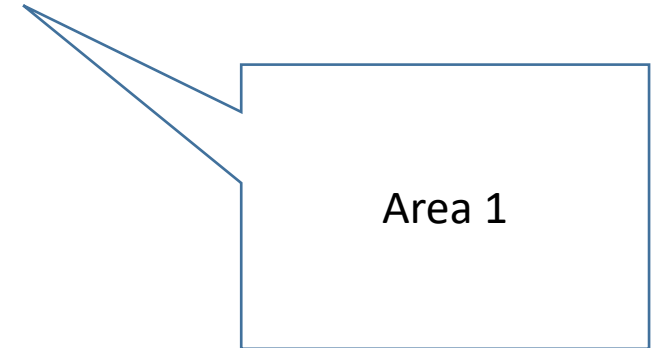
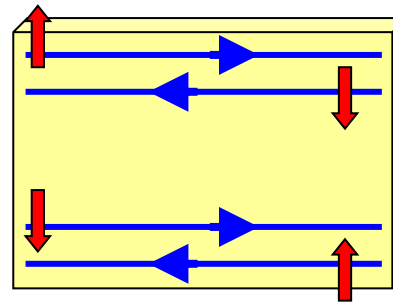
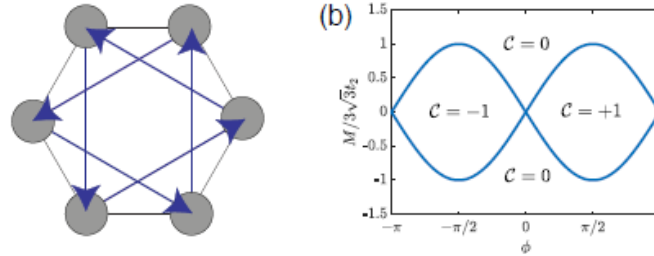
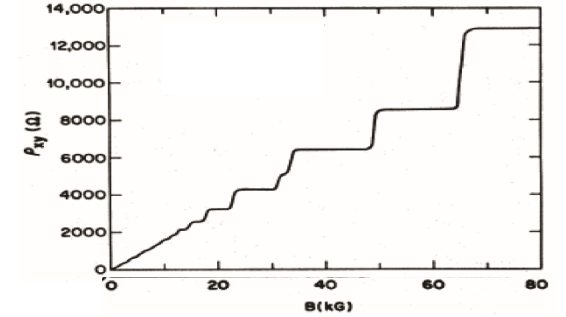
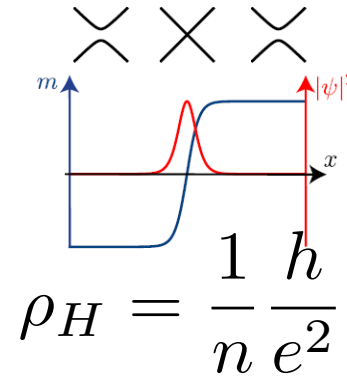
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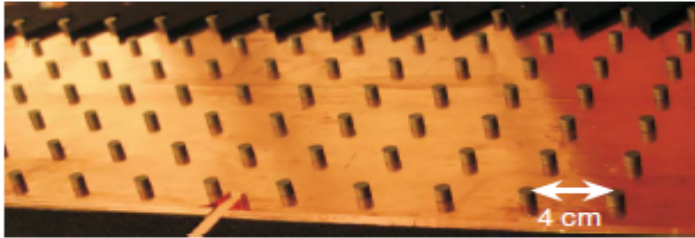
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Challenges

- Examples of topological insulators in condensed matter are select. They must be *discovered*.
- Fermi level in topological insulators is very difficult to tune.

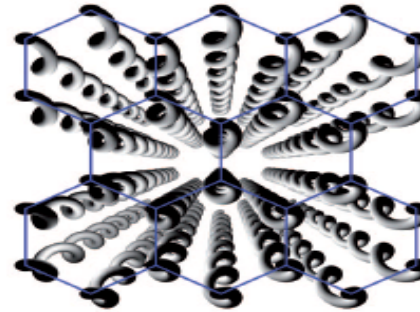
Engineered Topological Systems

Real magnetic field



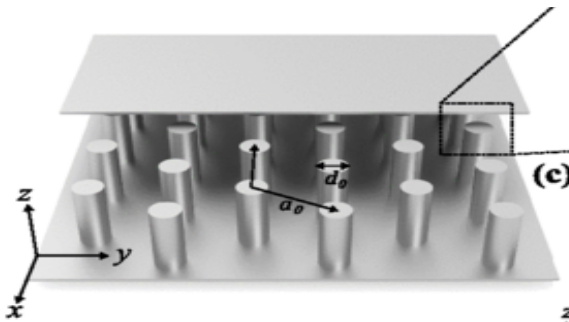
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Floquet system

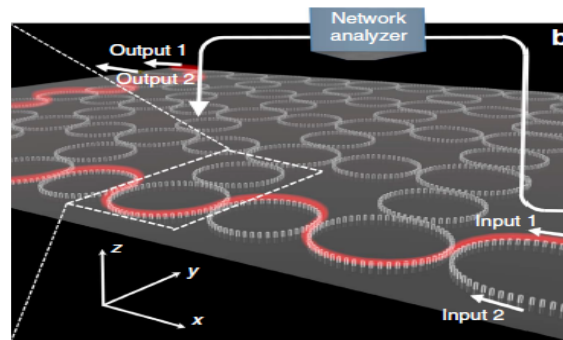


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Metamaterials: SO Coupling



Plasmonics

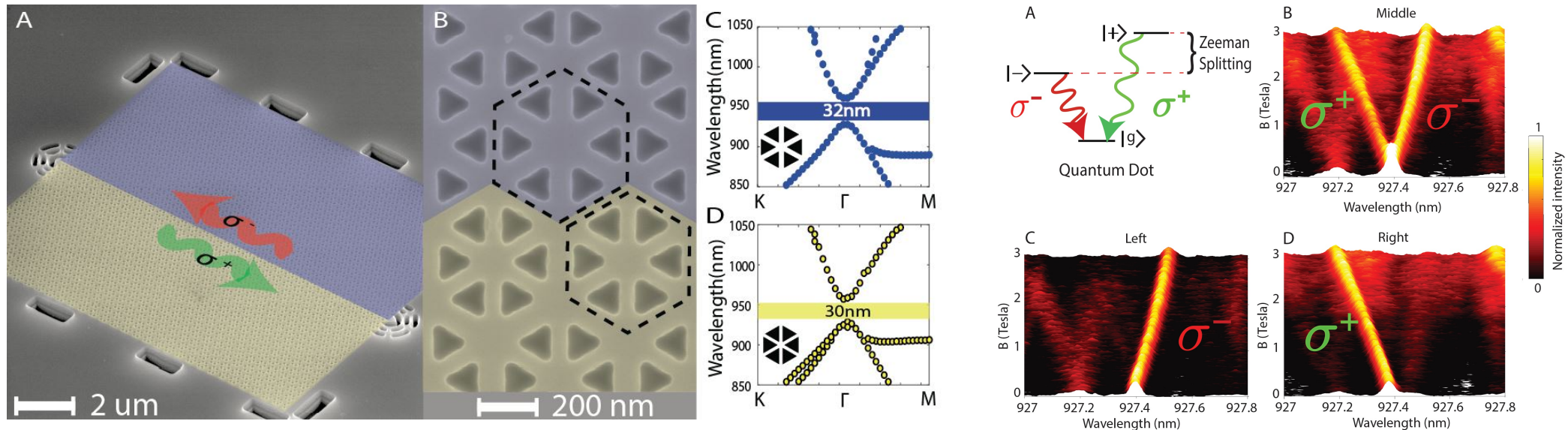


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A Topological Photonic Crystal

- Synthesizes **spin-orbit interaction** in photonic crystals
- Topological States are protected by a crystalline *rotational* symmetry.



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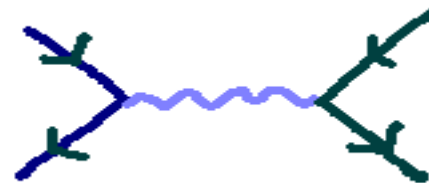
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Landau's Fermi Liquid Theory

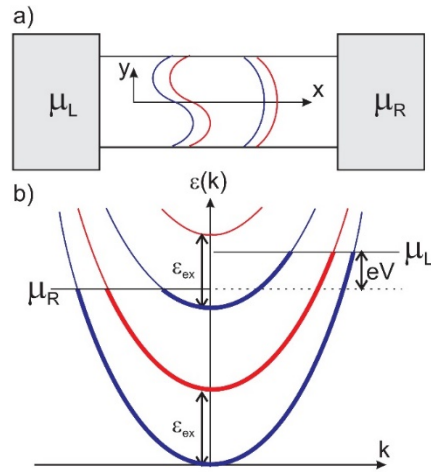
- Landau's Fermi liquid theory explains a deep mystery:

Why is the independent electron approximation so successful in describing metals?

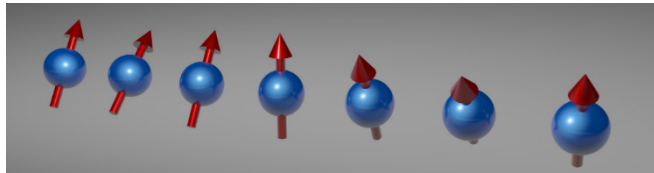
- Landau's theory is deep, but rests on the concepts of adiabaticity and *quasiparticles*.
- Dimensionality plays a crucial role in Fermi liquid theory. A natural place to look for exotic behavior is in low-dimensional systems.



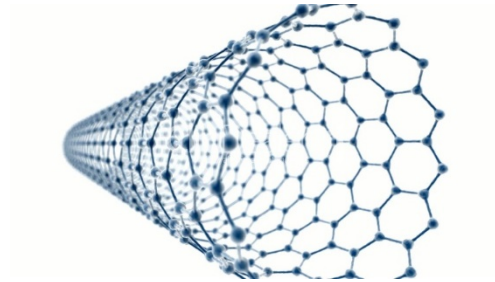
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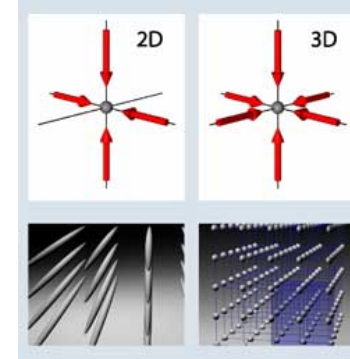
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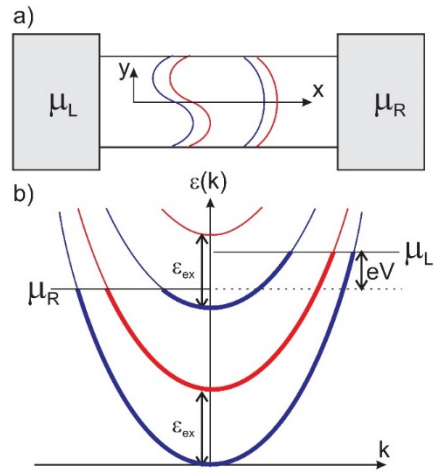
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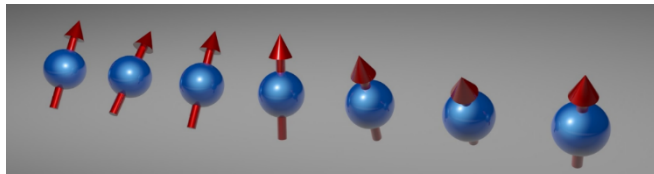
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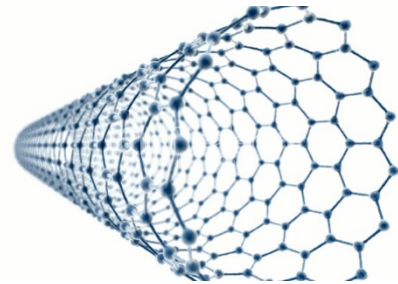
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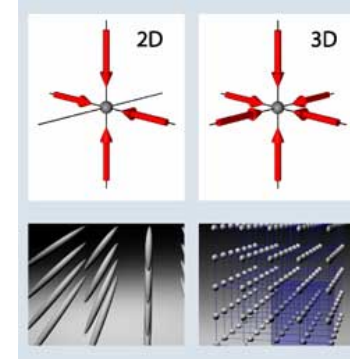
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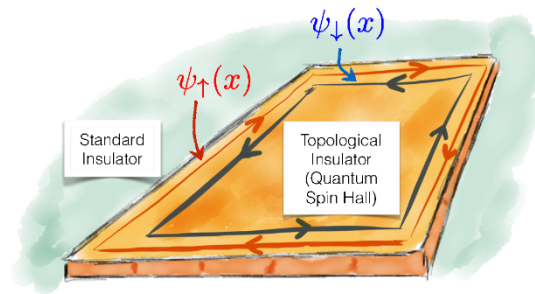
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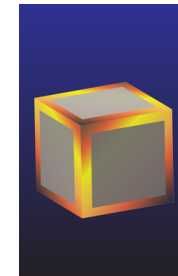
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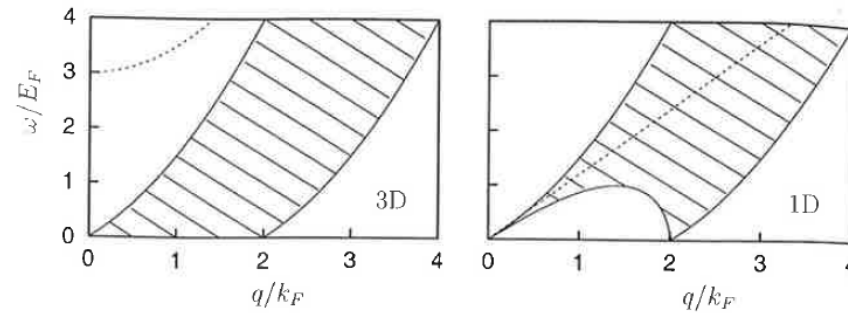
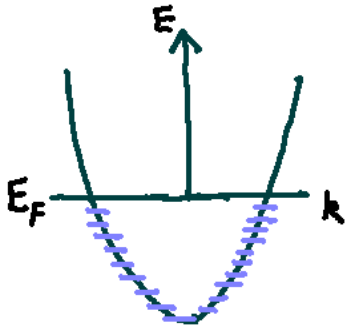
Topological edge states



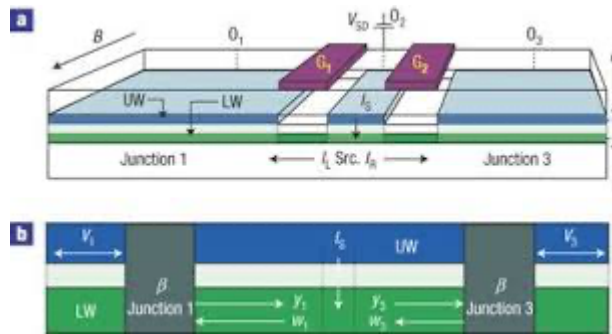
Higher order TI edge states

Non-Fermi Liquid Behavior in 1D

- All excitations in 1D are collective.



- This leads to dramatic phenomena, such as **charge fractionalization** and **spin-charge separation**.

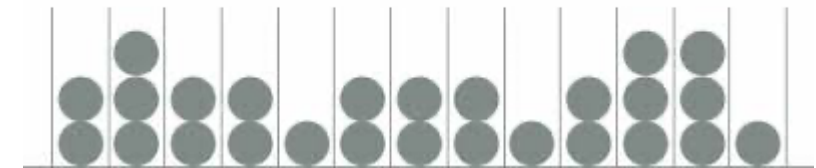
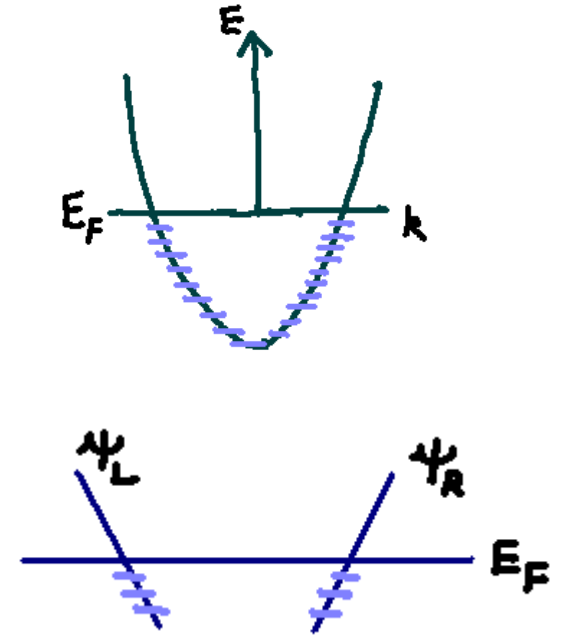


Tomonaga-Luttinger Liquid

- The Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid is an exactly solvable model of 1D fermions with density-density interactions.
- Remarkably, this model can be mapped onto a system of free bosons.

$$H_0 = \frac{\hbar v}{2\pi} \int dx \left[K (\nabla \theta)^2 + K^{-1} (\nabla \phi)^2 \right]$$

$$H = \sum_p \varepsilon_p b_p^\dagger b_p + \frac{\pi \hbar}{2L} \left[v_N (N - N_0)^2 + v_J J^2 \right]$$



Challenges

- Luttinger liquid behavior can be difficult to identify experimentally.
- For transport measurements, subtle effects can be swamped by Fermi liquid leads.
- New probes of these systems would greatly enhance our understanding of their properties.

see e.g., Maslov and Stone, PRB **52**, R55349(R) (1995)

Non-Linear Luttinger Liquids

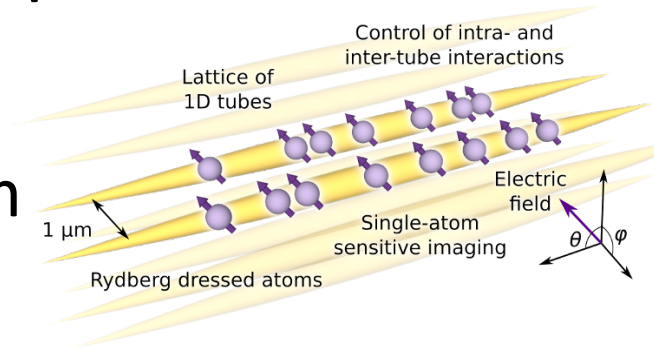
- Non-linear Luttinger liquid behavior is actively studied.
- Understanding non-equilibrium behavior requires accounting for the finite lifetime of a system's quasiparticles.
- Extended bosonization accounts for the density dependence of the Luttinger parameters v and K .

$$H_{\alpha} = \int dx \left[\alpha_{\theta} (\nabla \phi) (\nabla \theta)^2 + \alpha_{\phi} (\nabla \phi)^3 \right] \quad \alpha_{\phi} = \frac{\hbar}{6\pi^2} \partial_n \left(\frac{v}{K} \right) \quad \alpha_{\theta} = \frac{\hbar}{2\pi^2} \partial_n (vK)$$

- These terms are *irrelevant* (in the RG sense), and thus describe small effects at low energies.

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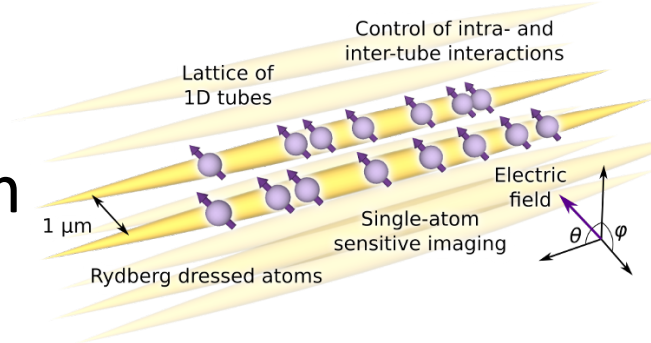
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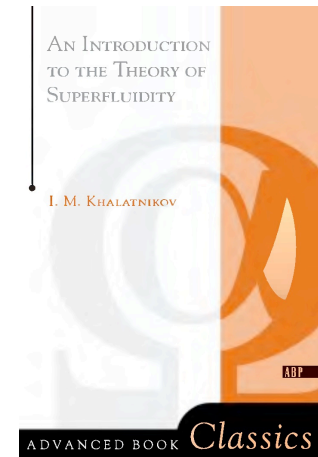
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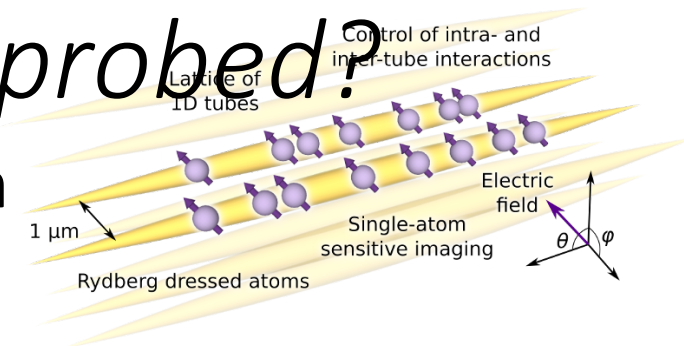
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How can the (putative) two-fluid hydrodynamics of 1D systems be probed?

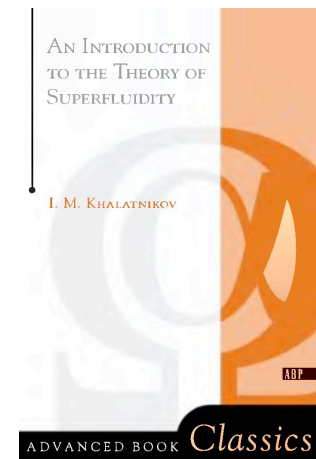
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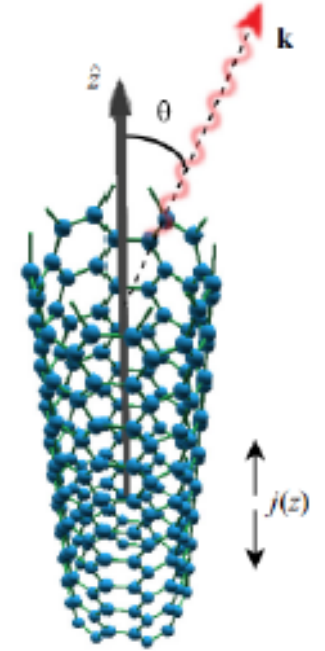
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Thermal Radiation as a Probe of non-linear Luttinger Physics

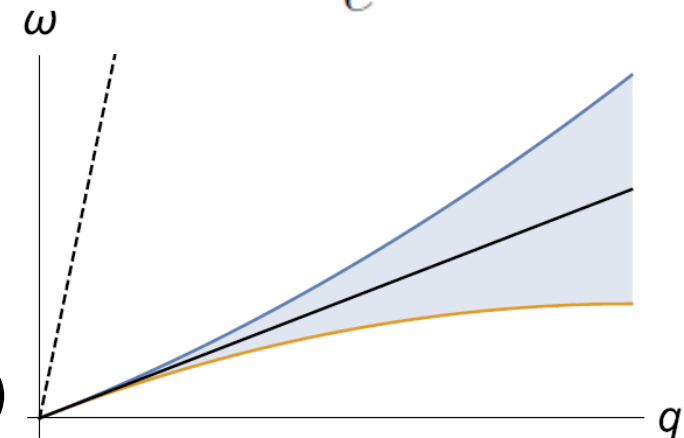
$$H_{\text{int}} = -\frac{e}{c} \int d\mathbf{r} \, \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}t) \cdot \mathbf{A}_{\text{rad}}(\mathbf{r}t)$$

- The emission of a photon removes both energy and momentum from the system.
- Thermal spectrum depends on the imaginary part of the (current) spectral function.

$$\frac{1}{L} \frac{d^2 P}{d\omega d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha \hbar \omega^2}{2\pi^2 c^2} \frac{\chi''(k_\omega, \omega)}{e^{\beta \hbar \omega} - 1} \sin^2 \theta$$



$$k_\omega = \frac{\omega}{c} \cos \theta$$



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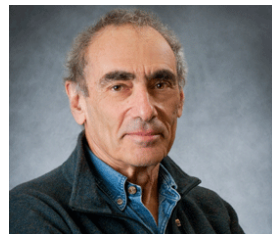
Thermal Radiation from a 1D Quantum Liquid



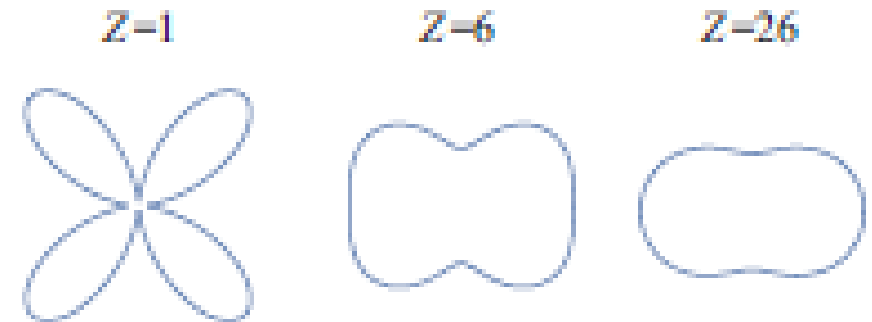
- Dimensionality plays a crucial role in the form of black-body radiation.
- Reduced phase space and strong interactions play a crucial role in the physics of 1D systems.
- Could this radiation serve as a probe of 1D quantum liquids?
 - carbon nanotubes
 - matter in neutron stars



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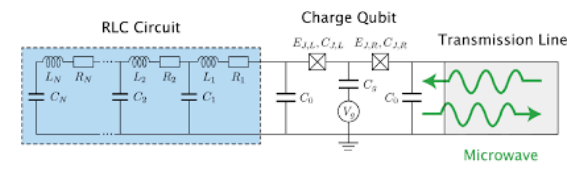


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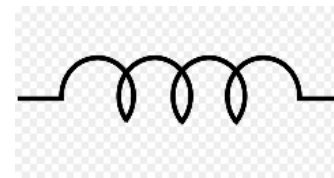
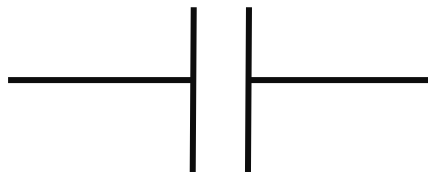
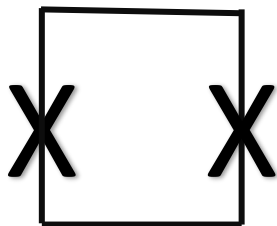


Intermediate N regime

Number of circuit nodes

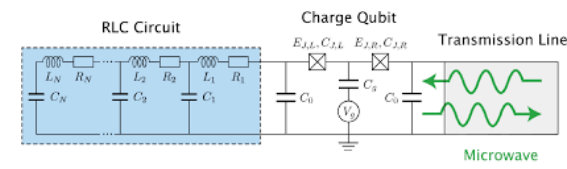


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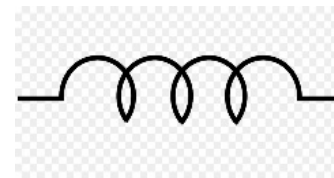
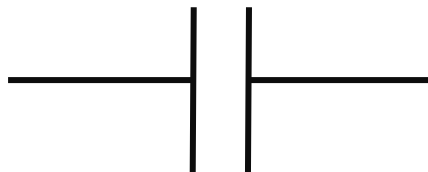
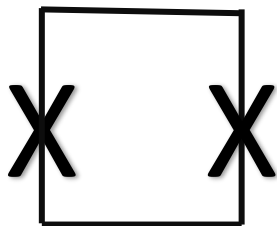


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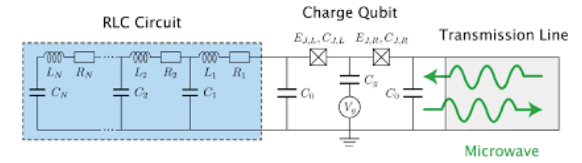


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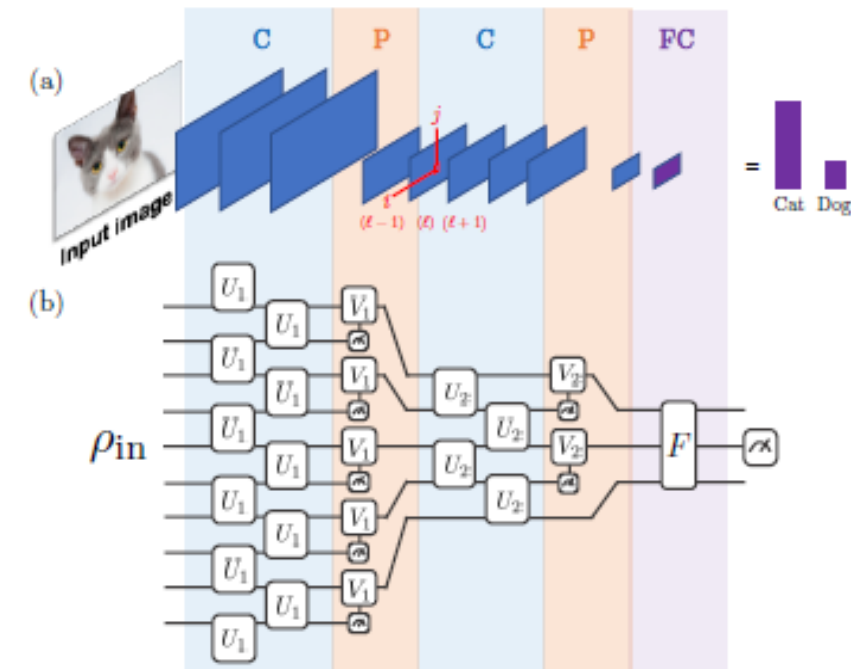
Proposed Work: Applying Many-Body Techniques intermediate size circuits



- Previous work investigated leveraging tight-binding “technology” to the study of circuits with Josephson junctions.
- Can many-body techniques, such as the real-space renormalization group methods be used to make the study of circuits tractable?
- What are the lessons to be learned from error-correcting codes and other topological systems?
- Circuits can be mapped to Bose-Hubbard model. Are there techniques used for the study of this model that can be leveraged to circuits?

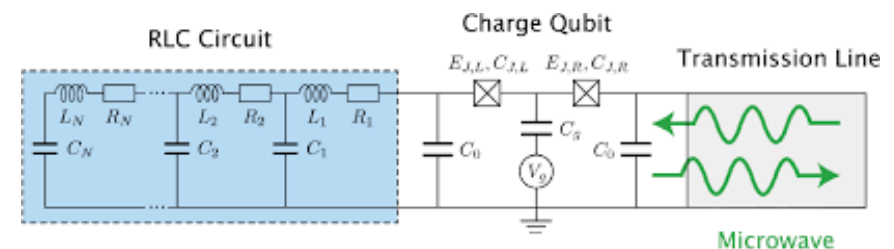
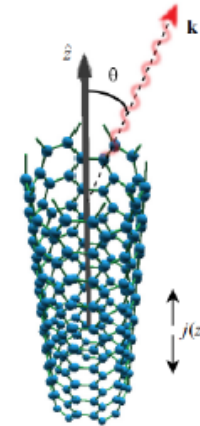
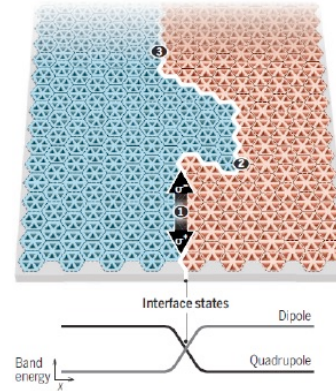
How Can Machine Learning Be Used to Identify Quantum Phases of Matter?

- *Quantum* Machine Learning protocols may be particularly well-suited to identify quantum phases of matter.
- One application we are investigating is applying these protocols to identify topological phases of matter.
- Applying this to real data from a quantum system is a goal.



Outline

- Topological Phases of Matter
 - Majorana Fermions
 - Topological Quantum Computation
 - Engineered Topological Systems
- Quantum Liquids in Low-Dimensions
 - Luttinger Liquids
 - Hydrodynamics of 1D Liquids and Gases of Fermions
 - 1D Quantum Liquids Coupled to Light
- Superconducting Circuits
 - Brief discussion of examples of possible future work
 - Long-term Outlook
 - Conclusions



Overview of Research Efforts

Research Areas

- Area 1: Topological Systems
 - Topological Insulators
 - Topological Superconductors
 - Quantum (spin) Hall Liquids
 - Chiral Majorana Liquids
- Area 2: Quantum Liquids in (primarily) 1D
 - Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid phenomenology
 - Non-Linear Luttinger liquids
 - Out-of-Equilibrium Behavior
- Area 3: Superconducting Circuits
 - Needed: Protected Qubits
 - New Metrics
 - New Tools

Key Skills

- Topological Systems
 - Majorana Fermions
 - Conformal Field Theory
 - Topological Field Theory
- Quantum Liquids
 - Quantum Field Theory
 - Fermi Liquid Theory
 - Luttinger Liquid Theory
- Quantum Information
 - Superconducting Circuit Design
 - Quantum Information and Computation
 - *QuTip*

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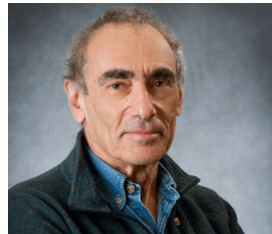
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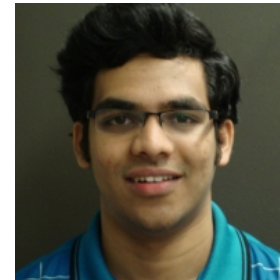
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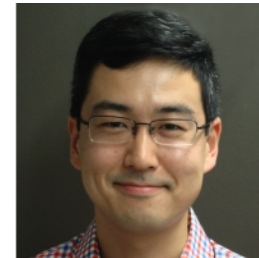
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