Magnetic phases and critical points of insulators and superconductors

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What is a quantum phase transition?

Non-analyticity in ground state properties as a function of some control parameter g



True level crossing: Usually a *first*-order transition

Avoided level crossing which becomes sharp in the infinite volume limit:

second-order transition

Why study quantum phase transitions?



- Theory for a quantum system with strong correlations: describe phases on either side of g_c by expanding in deviation from the quantum critical point.
- Critical point is a novel state of matter without quasiparticle excitations
- Critical excitations control dynamics in the wide *quantum-critical* region at non-zero temperatures.

Important property of ground state at $g=g_c$: temporal and spatial <u>scale invariance</u>; characteristic energy scale at other values of $g: \Delta \sim |g-g_c|^{zv}$

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I. Quantum Ising Chain

Degrees of freedom: j = 1...N qubits, N "large" $|\uparrow\rangle_{j}, |\downarrow\rangle_{j}$ or $|\rightarrow\rangle_{j} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\rangle_{j} + |\downarrow\rangle_{j}), \ |\leftarrow\rangle_{j} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\rangle_{j} - |\downarrow\rangle_{j})$

Hamiltonian of decoupled qubits:

$$H_0 = -Jg\sum_j \sigma_j^x$$



Coupling between qubits:

$$H_{1} = -J\sum_{j}\sigma_{j}^{z}\sigma_{j+1}^{z}$$

$$(|\rightarrow\rangle_{j}\langle\leftarrow|+|\leftarrow\rangle_{j}\langle\rightarrow|)(|\rightarrow\rangle_{j+1}\langle\leftarrow|+|\leftarrow\rangle_{j+1}\langle\rightarrow|)$$
Profers peighboring qubits

Prefers neighboring qubits
are *either*
$$|\uparrow\rangle_{j}|\uparrow\rangle_{j+1}$$
 or $|\downarrow\rangle_{j}|\downarrow\rangle_{j+1}$
(not entangled)

Full Hamiltonian

$$H = H_0 + H_1 = -J\sum_j \left(g\sigma_j^x + \sigma_j^z\sigma_{j+1}^z\right)$$

leads to entangled states at g of order unity

Lowest excited states:

$$\left|\ell_{j}\right\rangle = \left|\cdots \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \leftarrow_{j} \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \cdots\right\rangle + \cdots$$

Coupling between qubits creates "flipped-spin" quasiparticle states at momentum p



Entire spectrum can be constructed out of multi-quasiparticle states



At T > 0, collisions between quasiparticles broaden pole to a Lorentzian of width $1/\tau_{\varphi}$ where the *phase coherence time* τ_{φ}

is given by
$$\frac{1}{\tau_{\varphi}} = \frac{2k_{B}T}{\pi\hbar}e^{-\Delta/k_{B}T}$$

S. Sachdev and A.P. Young, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 78, 2220 (1997)

Strongly-coupled qubits $(g \ll 1)$

Ground states:

 $|G\uparrow\rangle = |\cdots\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle\rangle$

 $-\frac{g}{2} | \cdots \uparrow \cdots \rangle - \cdots$

Ferromagnetic moment $N_0 = \langle G | \sigma^z | G \rangle \neq 0$

Second state $|G\downarrow\rangle$ obtained by $\uparrow \Leftrightarrow \downarrow$ $|G\downarrow\rangle$ and $|G\uparrow\rangle$ mix only at order g^N

Lowest excited states: domain walls

$$\left| d_{j} \right\rangle = \left| \cdots \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow_{j} \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow + \cdots \right\rangle + \cdots$$

Coupling between qubits creates new "domainwall" *quasiparticle* states at momentum *p*

$$\left| p \right\rangle = \sum_{j} e^{ipx_{j}/\hbar} \left| d_{j} \right\rangle$$

Excitation energy $\varepsilon(p) = \Delta + 4Jg \sin^{2}\left(\frac{pa}{2\hbar}\right) + O\left(g^{2}\right)$

Excitation gap $\Delta = 2J - 2gJ + O(g^2)$



Dynamic Structure Factor $S(p, \omega)$: Strongly-coupled qubits $(g \ll 1)$ Cross-section to flip a $|\rightarrow\rangle$ to a $|\leftarrow\rangle$ (or vice versa) while transferring energy $\hbar \omega$ and momentum p



At T > 0, motion of domain walls leads to a finite *phase coherence time* τ_{φ} , and broadens coherent peak to a width $1/\tau_{\varphi}$ where $\frac{1}{\tau_{\varphi}} = \frac{2k_B T}{\pi \hbar} e^{-\Delta/k_B T}$

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No quasiparticles --- dissipative critical continuum



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II. Coupled Dimer Antiferromagnet

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S=1/2 spins on coupled dimers





Square lattice antiferromagnet Experimental realization: La_2CuO_4



Ground state has long-range magnetic (Neel) order $\langle \vec{S}_i \rangle = (-1)^{i_x + i_y} N_0 \neq 0$

Excitations: 2 spin waves (*magnons*) $\varepsilon_p = \sqrt{c_x^2 p_x^2 + c_y^2 p_y^2}$



Weakly coupled dimers





Paramagnetic ground state





Weakly coupled dimers



Excitation: *S*=1 *triplon* (*exciton*, spin collective mode)

Energy dispersion away from antiferromagnetic wavevector $\varepsilon_p = \Delta + \frac{c_x^2 p_x^2 + c_y^2 p_y^2}{2\Delta}$

 $\Delta \rightarrow \text{spin gap}$

Weakly coupled dimers

 λ close to 0



S=1/2 *spinons* are *confined* by a linear potential into a *S*=1 *triplon*



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Path integral for quantum spin fluctuations

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See Chapter 13 of *Quantum Phase Transitions*, S. Sachdev, Cambridge University Press (1999).

Path integral for a single spin

 $Z = \operatorname{Tr}\left(e^{-H[S]/T}\right)$ = $\int \mathcal{D}N(\tau)\delta(N^2 - 1)\exp\left(-iS\int A_{\tau}(\tau)d\tau - \int d\tau H\left[SN(\tau)\right]\right)$ $A_{\tau}(\tau)d\tau$ = Oriented area of triangle on surface of unit sphere bounded by $N(\tau), N(\tau + d\tau)$, and a fixed reference N_0

Action for lattice antiferromagnet

$$\boldsymbol{N}_{j}(\tau) = \eta_{j}\boldsymbol{n}(x_{j},\tau) + \boldsymbol{L}(x_{j},\tau)$$

 $\eta_j = \pm 1$ identifies sublattices

n and *L* vary slowly in space and time

Integrate out *L* and take the continuum limit

Discretize spacetime into a cubic lattice

 $a \rightarrow$ cubic lattice sites;

$$Z = \prod_{a} \int d\boldsymbol{n}_{a} \delta\left(\boldsymbol{n}_{a}^{2} - 1\right) \exp\left(\frac{1}{g} \sum_{a,\mu} \boldsymbol{n}_{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{a+\mu} - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{a} \eta_{a} A_{a\tau}\right) \xrightarrow{\mu \to x, y, \tau};$$

 $A_{a\mu} \rightarrow$ oriented area of spherical triangle formed by \mathbf{n}_a , $\mathbf{n}_{a+\mu}$, and an arbitrary reference point \mathbf{n}_0 Integrate out *L* and take the continuum limit

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Berry phases can be neglected for coupled dimer antiferromagent

(justified later)

Quantum path integral for two-dimensional quantum antiferromagnet \Leftrightarrow Partition function of a classical three-dimensional ferromagnet at a "temperature" gQuantum transition at $\lambda = \lambda_c$ is related to classical Curie transition at $g = g_c$

II.B Quantum field theory for critical point



Dynamic spectrum at the critical point



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Evolution of phase diagram in a magnetic field

Both states are insulators

Effect of a field on paramagnet



III. Phase diagram in a magnetic field.



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Zeeman term leads to a uniform precession of spins $\left|\partial_{\tau}\phi_{\alpha}\right|^{2} \Longrightarrow \left(\partial_{\tau}\phi_{\alpha}^{*} - i\varepsilon_{\alpha\sigma\rho}H_{\sigma}\phi_{\rho}\right) \left(\partial_{\tau}\phi_{\alpha} - i\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma}H_{\beta}\phi_{\gamma}\right)$ Take H oriented along the z direction. Then $(\lambda_c - \lambda)(\phi_x^2 + \phi_y^2) \Longrightarrow (\lambda_c - \lambda - H^2)(\phi_x^2 + \phi_y^2).$ For $\lambda > \lambda_c$, $\phi_x \sim \sqrt{\lambda - \lambda_c + H^2}$, while for $\lambda < \lambda_c$, $H_c = \Delta \sim \sqrt{\lambda_c - \lambda}$ H $g\mu_{\rm B}H = \Delta$ Spin singlet state with a spin gap $1/\lambda$ 1 Tesla = 0.116 meV

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We have so far considered the case where both states are insulators



Now both sides have a "background" superconducting (SC) order
Magnetic transition in a *d*-wave superconductor



If \vec{K} does not exactly connect two nodal points, critical theory is as in an insulator

Otherwise, new theory of coupled excitons and nodal quasiparticles

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Use simplest assumption of a direct second-order quantum phase transition between SC and SC+SDW phases

Follow intensity of elastic Bragg spots in a magnetic field

Dominant effect of magnetic field: Abrikosov flux lattice



Spatially averaged superflow kinetic energy

$$\sim \left\langle v_s^2 \right\rangle \sim \frac{H}{H_{c2}} \ln \frac{3H_{c2}}{H}$$

Effect of magnetic field on SDW+SC to SC transition

 $\Phi_{\alpha} = N_{1\alpha} + iN_{2\alpha}$ Quantum theory for dynamic and critical spin fluctuations $\mathbf{S}_{b} = \int d^{2}r \int_{0}^{1/2} d\tau \left[\left| \nabla_{r} \Phi_{\alpha} \right|^{2} + c^{2} \left| \partial_{\tau} \Phi_{\alpha} \right|^{2} + s \left| \Phi_{\alpha} \right|^{2} + \frac{g_{1}}{2} \left(\left| \Phi_{\alpha} \right|^{2} \right)^{2} + \frac{g_{2}}{2} \left| \Phi_{\alpha}^{2} \right|^{2} \right] \right]$ $\left| Z \left[\psi(r) \right] = \int D\Phi(r,\tau) e^{-F_{GL} - S_b - S_c} \\ \frac{\delta \ln Z \left[\psi(r) \right]}{\delta \psi(r)} = 0 \right|$ $\mathbf{S}_{c} = \int d^{2}r d\tau \left| \frac{\mathbf{V}}{2} |\Phi_{\alpha}|^{2} |\psi|^{2} \right|$ $\left| F_{GL} = \int d^2 r \right| - \left| \psi \right|^2 + \frac{\left| \psi \right|^4}{2} + \left| \left(\nabla_r - iA \right) \psi \right|^2 \right|$ Static Ginzburg-Landau theory for non-critical superconductivity



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Phase diagram of SC and SDW order in a magnetic field



The suppression of SC order appears to the SDW order as a *uniform* effective "doping" δ : $\delta_{\text{eff}}(H) = \delta - C \frac{H}{H_{c2}} \ln \left(\frac{3H_{c2}}{H}\right)$

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Structure of long-range SDW order in SC+SDW phase

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$$\delta \left| f_0 \right|^2 \propto H \ln(1/H)$$



$$S(\boldsymbol{k},\omega) = (2\pi)^{3} \,\delta(\omega) \sum_{\boldsymbol{G}} |f_{\boldsymbol{G}}|^{2} \,\delta(\boldsymbol{k}-\boldsymbol{G}) + \cdots$$

 $G \rightarrow$ reciprocal lattice vectors of vortex lattice.

 \boldsymbol{k} measures deviation from SDW ordering wavevector \boldsymbol{K}

Neutron scattering of $La_{2-x}Sr_xCuO_4$ at x=0.1



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Vortex-induced LDOS of $Bi_2Sr_2CaCu_2O_{8+\delta}$ integrated from 1meV to 12meV



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Our interpretation: LDOS modulations are signals of bond order of period 4 revealed in vortex halo

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Fourier Transform of Vortex-Induced LDOS map



K-space locations of vortex induced LDOS

K-space locations of Bi and Cu atoms

Distances in k –space have units of $2\pi/a_0$ a₀=3.83 Å is Cu-Cu distance

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Spectral properties of the STM signal are sensitive to the microstructure of the charge order



Measured energy dependence of the Fourier component of the density of states which modulates with a period of 4 lattice spacings

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Key property

Order specified by a single vector N.

Quantum fluctuations leading to loss of magnetic order should produce a paramagnetic state with a vector (*S*=1) quasiparticle excitation.

Class A: Collinear spins and compact U(1) gauge theory

Write down path integral for quantum spin fluctuations

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S=1/2 square lattice antiferromagnet with non-nearest neighbor exchange

$$H = \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \quad \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

Include Berry phases after discretizing coherent state path integral on a cubic lattice in spacetime

$$Z = \prod_{a} \int d\boldsymbol{n}_{a} \delta\left(\boldsymbol{n}_{a}^{2} - 1\right) \exp\left(\frac{1}{g} \sum_{a,\mu} \boldsymbol{n}_{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{a+\mu} - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{a} \eta_{a} A_{a\tau}\right)$$

 $\eta_{\rm a} \rightarrow \pm 1$ on two square sublattices ;

 $\boldsymbol{n}_a \sim \eta_a \vec{S}_a \rightarrow \text{Neel order parameter;}$

 $A_{a\mu} \rightarrow$ oriented area of spherical triangle

formed by \boldsymbol{n}_a , $\boldsymbol{n}_{a+\mu}$, and an arbitrary reference point \boldsymbol{n}_0

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Small $g \rightarrow$ Spin-wave theory about Neel state receives minor modifications from Berry phases.

Large $g \rightarrow$ Berry phases are crucial in determining structure of "quantum-disordered" phase with $\langle n_a \rangle = 0$ Integrate out n_a to obtain effective action for $A_{a\mu}$



Change in choice of n_0 is like a "gauge transformation"

$$A_{a\mu} \rightarrow A_{a\mu} - \gamma_{a+\mu} + \gamma_a$$

(γ_a is the oriented area of the spherical triangle formed by n_a and the two choices for n_0).



These principles strongly constrain the effective action for $A_{a\mu}$ which provides description of the large g phase



Simplest large g effective action for the A_{au}

$$Z = \prod_{a,\mu} \int dA_{a\mu} \exp\left(\frac{1}{2e^2} \sum_{\Box} \cos\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\Delta_{\mu} A_{a\nu} - \Delta_{\nu} A_{a\mu}\right)\right) - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{a} \eta_a A_{a\tau}\right)$$

with $e^2 \sim g^2$

This is compact QED in d+1 dimensions with static charges ± 1 on two sublattices.

This theory can be reliably analyzed by a duality mapping.

<u>d=2</u>: The gauge theory is <u>*always*</u> in a *confining* phase and there is bond order in the ground state.

<u>d=3</u>: A deconfined phase with a gapless "photon" is possible.

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Exact duality transform on periodic Gaussian ("Villain") action for compact QED yields

$$Z = \sum_{\{h_{ar{j}}\}} \exp\left(-rac{e^2}{2}\sum_{ar{j}}\left(\Delta_\mu h_{ar{j}} - \Delta_\mu \mathcal{X}_{ar{j}}
ight)^2
ight)$$

with $h_{\bar{i}}$ integer.

Height model in 2+1 dimensions with 'offsets' $\mathcal{X}_{\bar{j}} = 0, 1/4, 1/2, 3/4$ on the four dual sublattices.



For large e^2 , low energy height configurations are in exact one-toone correspondence with dimer coverings of the square lattice

⇒ 2+1 dimensional height model is the path integral of the **Quantum Dimer Model**



There is no roughening transition for three dimensional interfaces, which are smooth for all couplings

- \implies There is a definite average height of the interface
- ⇒ Ground state has bond order.

V. Order in Mott insulators

Paramagnetic states

$$\left< \boldsymbol{S}_{j} \right> = \boldsymbol{0}$$

Class A. Bond order and spin excitons in d=2





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Spontaneous bond-order leads to vector S=1 spin excitations

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Bond order in a frustrated S=1/2 XY magnet

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First <u>large scale</u> numerical study of the destruction of Neel order in a S=1/2antiferromagnet with full square lattice symmetry



 $H = 2J\sum_{\langle ij\rangle} \left(S_i^x S_j^x + S_i^y S_j^y \right) - K\sum_{\langle ijkl\rangle \subset \Box} \left(S_i^+ S_j^- S_k^+ S_l^- + S_i^- S_j^+ S_k^- S_l^+ \right)$

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$$\boldsymbol{N}_{I} + i\boldsymbol{N}_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} z_{\downarrow}^{2} - z_{\uparrow}^{2} \\ i\left(z_{\downarrow}^{2} + z_{\uparrow}^{2}\right) \\ 2z_{\uparrow}z_{\downarrow} \end{pmatrix}$$

Order in ground state specified by a spinor $(z_{\uparrow}, z_{\downarrow})$ (modulo an overall sign). This spinor can become a S=1/2 spinon in paramagnetic state.

Order parameter space: S_3/Z_2

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Such vortices (visons) can also be defined in the phase in which spins are "quantum disordered". A Z_2 spin liquid with deconfined spinons must have *visons supressed*

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Model effective action and phase diagram



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<u>Paramagnetic states</u> $\langle \mathbf{S}_{j} \rangle = 0$

Class B. Topological order and deconfined spinons

A topologically ordered state in which vortices associated with $\pi_1(S_3/Z_2) = Z_2$ ["visons"] are gapped out. This is an RVB state with deconfined S=1/2 spinons z_a



Spinons are deconfined

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Number of valence bonds cutting line is conserved modulo 2. Changing sign of each such bond does not modify state. This is equivalent to a Z_2 gauge transformation with $z_a \rightarrow -z_a$ on sites to the right of dashed line.

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Effect of flux-piercing on a topologically ordered quantum paramagnet



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$$\left|\Psi\right\rangle = \sum_{D} a_{D} \left|D\right\rangle$$

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Equivalent to inserting a *vison* inside hole of the torus. This leads to a ground state degeneracy.

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VI. Cuprates are best understood as doped class A Mott insulators.

Single order parameter.

Multiple order parameters Competing order parameters in the cuprate superconductors

1. Pairing order of BCS theory (SC)

(Bose-Einstein) condensation of *d*-wave Cooper pairs

Orders (possibly fluctuating) associated with proximate Mott insulator in class A

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<u>3. Bond/charge/stripe order (B)</u>

(couples strongly to half-breathing phonons)

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Effect of static non-magnetic impurities (Zn or Li)



Spinon confinement implies that free S=1/2moments form near each impurity

$$\chi_{\text{impurity}}(T \to 0) = \frac{S(S+1)}{3k_BT}$$

Spatially resolved NMR of Zn/Li impurities in

the superconducting state



Measured $\chi_{\text{impurity}}(T \to 0) = \frac{S(S+1)}{3k_BT}$ with S = 1/2 in underdoped sample.

This behavior does not emerge out of BCS theory.

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Phase diagram of a superconductor in a magnetic field



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VI. Doping Class A

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