

VORTICES AND QUASIPARTICLES IN

SUPERCONDUCTORS : A MODERN PRIMER

Z. Tešanović
Johns Hopkins

PREREQUISITES:

- GURVIN I & II
- AMBEGAOOKAR I & II
- DORSEY I & II

● SAULS I - IV

RELATED LECTURES:

- SUDBO I & II
- FRANZ I
- (Also, see Balents I & II)

BOULDER 2000

NSF SUMMER SCHOOL ON
LECTURES ON SUPERCONDUCTIVITY

①

VORTICES & QUASIPARTICLES IN SUPERCONDUCTORS : A MODERN PRIMER

②

Z. Tešanović, JHU
M. Franz
O. Vafek
A. Melikyan
I. Herbut, SFU

SELECTED REFERENCES:

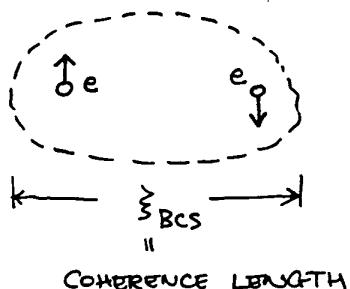
- M.E. PESKIN, ANN. PHYS. 113, 122 ('78)
- P.R. THOMAS AND M. STONE, NUCL. PHYS. B144, 513 ('78)
- S.M. GIRVIN: "DUALITY IN PERSPECTIVE", SCIENCE 274, 524 (1996)
- C.DASGUPTA AND B.I. HALPERIN, PRL 47, 1556 ('81)
- N.D. ANTUNES et al., PRL 80, 908 (1998)
- ● I. HERBUT AND ZBT, PRL 76, 4588 (1996); PRL 78, 980 (1997)
- ● ZBT, PRB 51, 16204 (1995)
- ● ZBT, PRB 59, 6449 (1999)
- ● A.K. NGUYEN AND A. SUDBO, EUROPHYS. LETT. 46, 780 (1999)
- ● A.K. NGUYEN AND A. SUDBO, PRB 60, 15307 (1999)
- ● M. FRANZ AND ZBT, PRL 84, 554 (2000)
- O. VAFEK, A. MELIKYAN, M. FRANZ AND ZBT, in prep.
- ZBT AND P. SACRAMENTO, PRL 80, 1521 (1998)
(BdG eqs. with Landau levels)

(3)

● A PRIMER ON SUPERCONDUCTIVITY

- IN SUPERCONDUCTORS ELECTRONS FORM PAIRS:

THESE "COOPER PAIRS"
BEHAVE LIKE BOSONS
AND ARE DESCRIBED
BY A MACROSCOPIC
QUANTUM MECHANICAL WAVEFUNCTION: $\Psi(\vec{r})$



COHERENCE LENGTH

- FREE ENERGY OF A SUPERCONDUCTOR:

$$F_{SC} = \int d^3r \left[\alpha |\Psi|^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m^*} \left| \left(\frac{\vec{\nabla}}{i} - \frac{e^* \vec{A}}{\hbar c} \right) \Psi \right|^2 + \frac{B}{2} |\Psi|^4 \right] + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3r (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})^2$$

(Ginzburg-Landau)

$$e^* = 2e$$

$$\vec{A} - \text{EM vector potential: } \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}(\vec{r})$$

- IN SUPERCONDUCTING STATE

$$\underline{\underline{\langle \Psi(\vec{r}) \rangle \neq 0}}$$

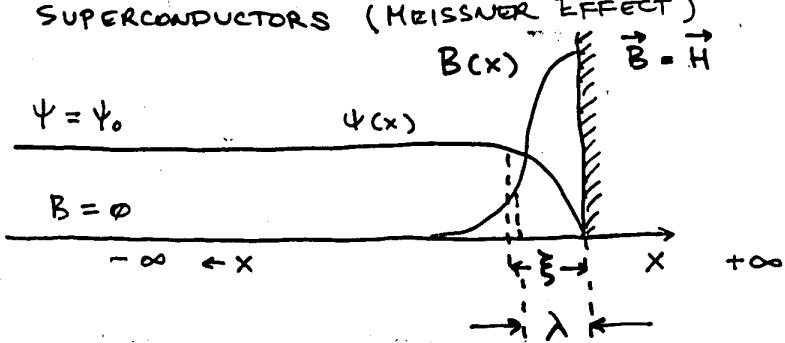
$$\underline{\underline{\langle \Psi(\vec{r}) \rangle = 0}}$$

- IN NORMAL STATE

(4)

● SUPERCONDUCTORS AND MAGNETIC FIELD

- TYPE-I SUPERCONDUCTORS (MEISSNER EFFECT)



ξ - Superconducting coherence length

λ - magnetic field penetration depth

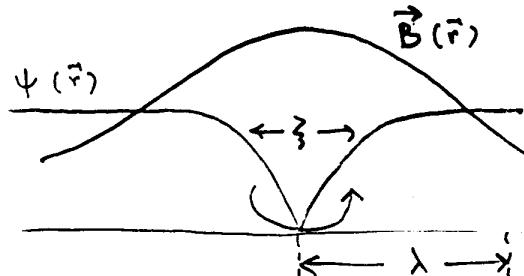
$$\chi \equiv \frac{\lambda}{\xi} - \text{Ginzburg parameter}$$

$$\chi < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

⇒ * WHAT IF $\chi > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$? HTS ($\underline{\underline{\chi \sim 10^2}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$)

$\vec{B} \neq 0$ IN THE INTERIOR

- TYPE-II SUPERCONDUCTOR



ABRIKOSOV
 ~ 1952

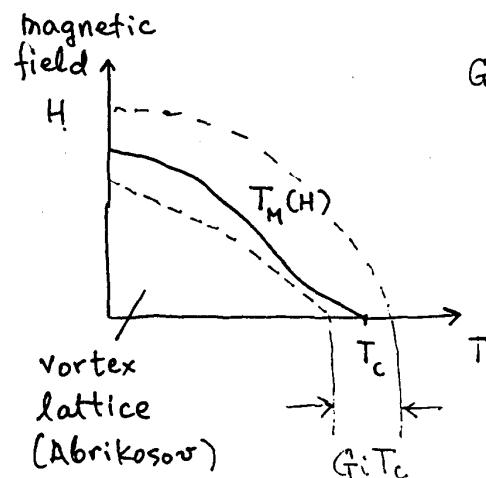
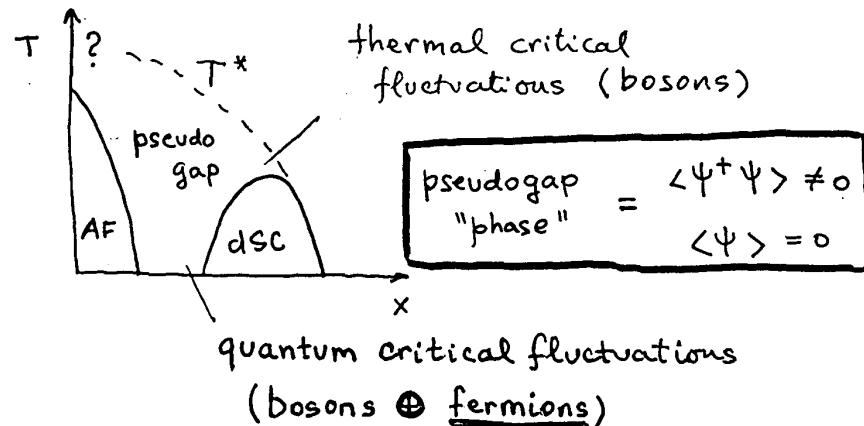
Gor'kov
 ~ 1958

SUPERCONDUCTING VORTEX

② Beyond Mean-Field Theory

(5)

③ STRONG (CRITICAL) FLUCTUATIONS IN
HIGH TEMPERATURE SUPERCONDUCTORS



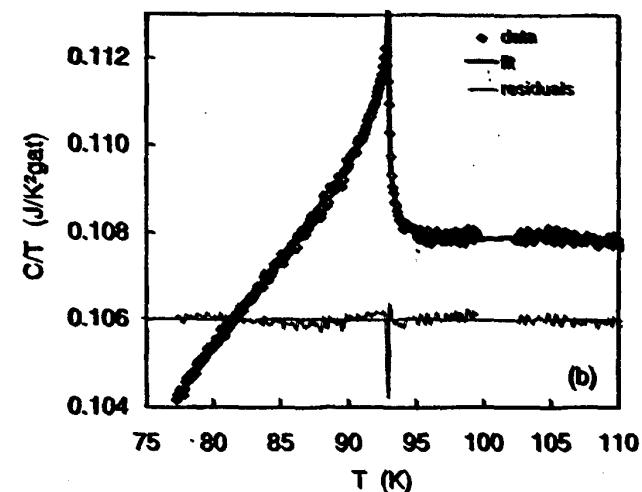
G_i - GINZBURG NUMBER

$\rightarrow G_i \sim 10^{-2}$ in HTS
 (10^{-5} in CSC)

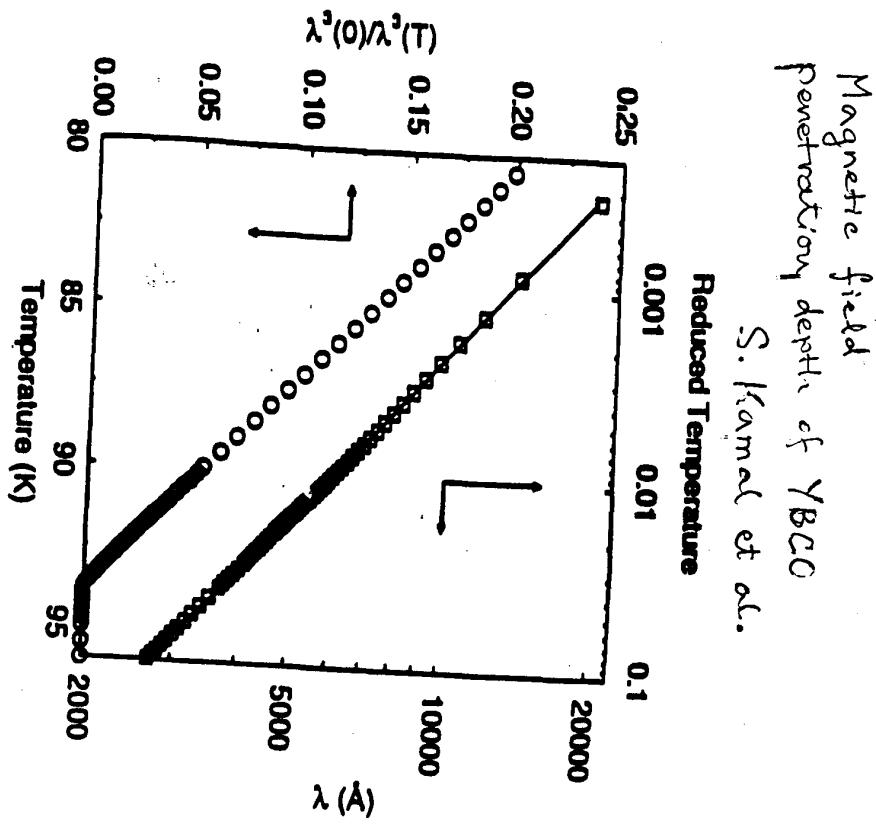
$$G_i \sim \frac{1}{(k_F \xi_{BCS})^{2(4)}}$$

Specific heat of YBCO
(Helium fit)

(6)



A. Junca et al. (1999)
LT 22, Helsinki

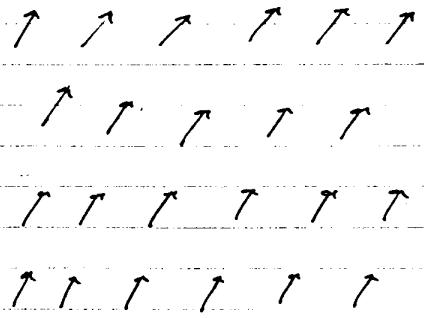


④ CRITICAL (FLUCTUATION) BEHAVIOR IN HTS
STEP-BY-STEP PROGRAM :

- ✓ • VORTICES ARE "ELEMENTARY" OBJECTS (NOT COOPER PAIRS)
(TC : TOPOLOGICAL CORRECTNESS)
- ✓ • CONSTRUCT THEORY OF INTERACTING VORTEX LOOPS
(3D) AND LINES (FOR $H \neq 0$)
- ✓ • SOLVE THIS THEORY \Rightarrow HTS PHENOMENOLOGY IN REGION OF THERMAL CRITICAL FLUCTUATIONS
- ✓ • HTS ARE d-WAVE ! QUANTUM CRITICAL THEORY SHOULD CONTAIN BOTH VORTICES AND LOW LYING QUASIPARTICLES
- ? • CONSTRUCT QUANTUM THEORY OF VORTEX LOOPS INTERACTING WITH d-WAVE QUASIPARTICLES
- ? • SOLVE THIS THEORY \Rightarrow HTS PHENOMENOLOGY IN REGION OF QUANTUM CRITICAL FLUCTUATIONS

(8)

AN ORDERED SUPERCONDUCTOR



girvin I

$\Psi(\vec{r})$ Cooper pair wavefunction has macroscopic phase coherence.

(9)

(10)

• SUPERCONDUCTING STATE AND HOW TO GET RID OF IT

"Cooper pair" field $\Psi^+(\vec{r}) \leftrightarrow c_\uparrow^+(\vec{r}), c_\downarrow^+(\vec{r})$

$$\lim_{|\vec{r}| \rightarrow \infty} \langle \Psi(0) \Psi^+(\vec{r}) \rangle \rightarrow |\Psi|^2; \Psi - \text{order parameter}$$

ODLRO - off-diagonal long-range order

↓

breaking of U(1) symmetry

$$\hat{\Phi} \Leftrightarrow \hat{N} = \frac{\pi}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \quad (\text{P.W. Anderson, Concepts in Solids})$$

* Nature of fluctuations in $\Psi(\vec{r}) = |\Psi(\vec{r})| e^{i\phi}$

- Amplitude fluctuations $|\Psi(\vec{r})|$: "frozen" in HTS
- Longitudinal phase fluctuations: "inert"
- Transverse phase fluctuations:

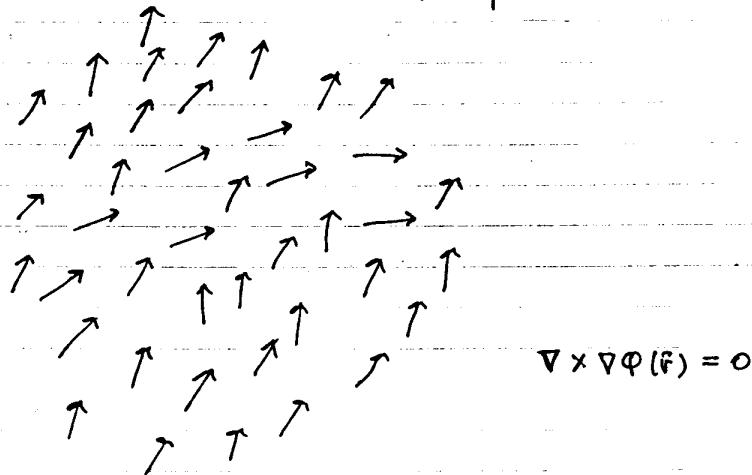
VERTICES \Leftrightarrow TOPOLOGICAL DEFECTS

OF U(1) BROKEN SYMMETRY

(11)

● LONGITUDINAL PHASE FLUCTUATIONS

("spin-waves")



$$\nabla \times \nabla \phi(\vec{r}) = 0$$

INEFFICIENT IN DISORDERING

$$\langle \psi(0) \psi^+(\vec{r}) \rangle$$

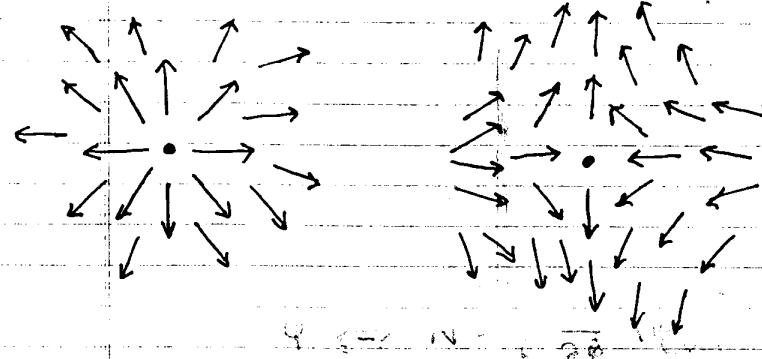
THE PHASE ORDER REMAINS UP TO

$$T \approx \infty$$

(12)

● TRANSVERSE PHASE FLUCTUATIONS

(vortices)



VORTEX (+1)

ANTIVORTEX (-1)

$$\text{SUPERCURRENT} \sim |\psi|^2 (\nabla \phi)$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \phi = 2\pi \delta(\vec{r})$$

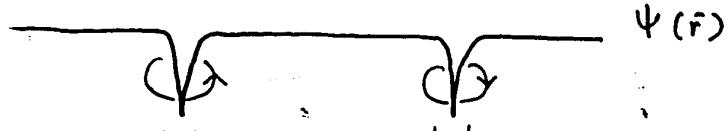
$$\nabla \times \nabla \phi = -2\pi \delta(\vec{r})$$

VERY EFFICIENT IN DISORDERING

$$\langle \psi(0) \psi^+(\vec{r}) \rangle$$

VORTICES \Rightarrow IF UNBOUND!
TOPLOGICAL DISORDERS

• VORTICES IN 2D:



Vortex core size - finite at T_c

VORTEX-(ANTI)VORTEX INTERACTIONS:

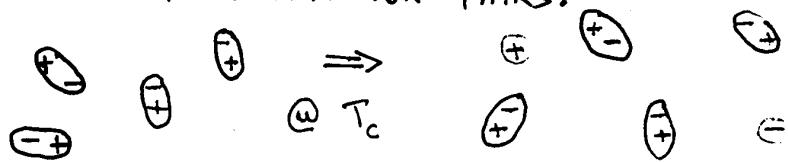
$$\sim - \sum_{i < j} q_i q_j \ln |\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|$$

q_i - vortex charge ($q_i = \pm 1$)

• SUPERCONDUCTING TRANSITION IN 2D

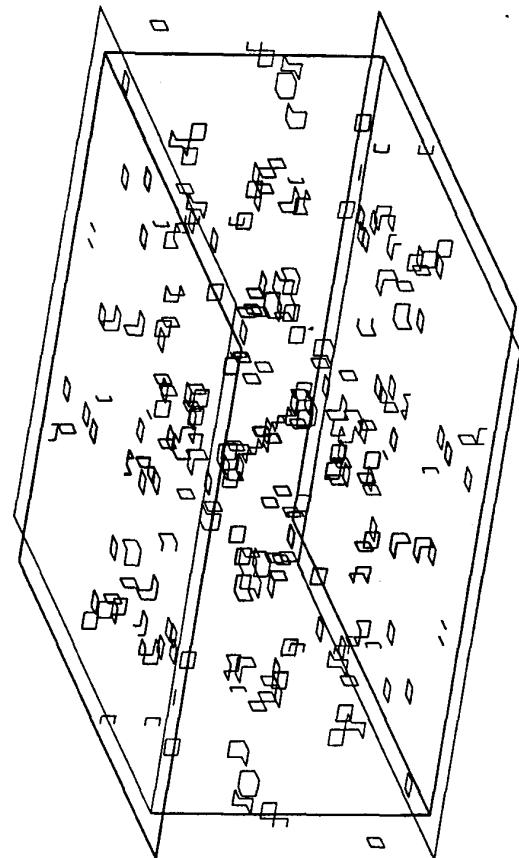
↓ via 2D Coulomb plasma

• KOSTERLITZ-THOULESS UNBINDING OF VORTEX-ANTIVORTEX PAIRS:



(13)

MONTE-CARLO SIMULATIONS OF A HIGH TEMP. SUPERCONDUCTOR (Nguyen & Sudbo)

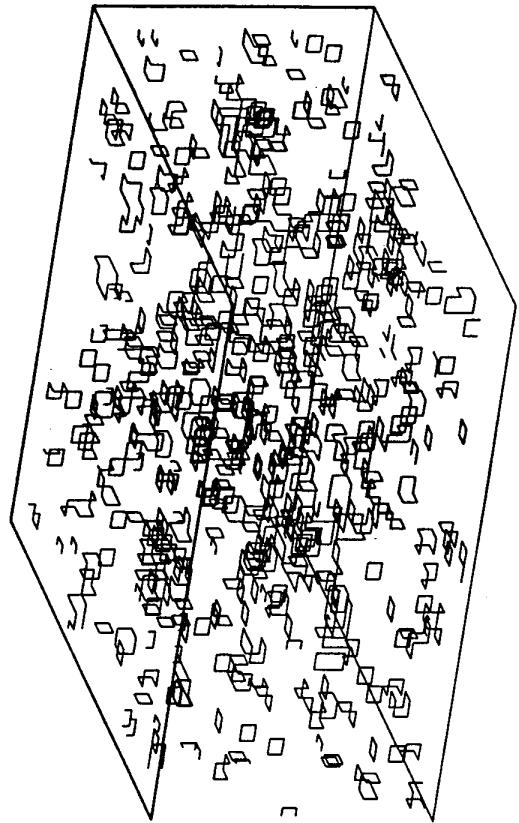


(14)

Thermally Excited Vortex Loops

$T \ll T_c$

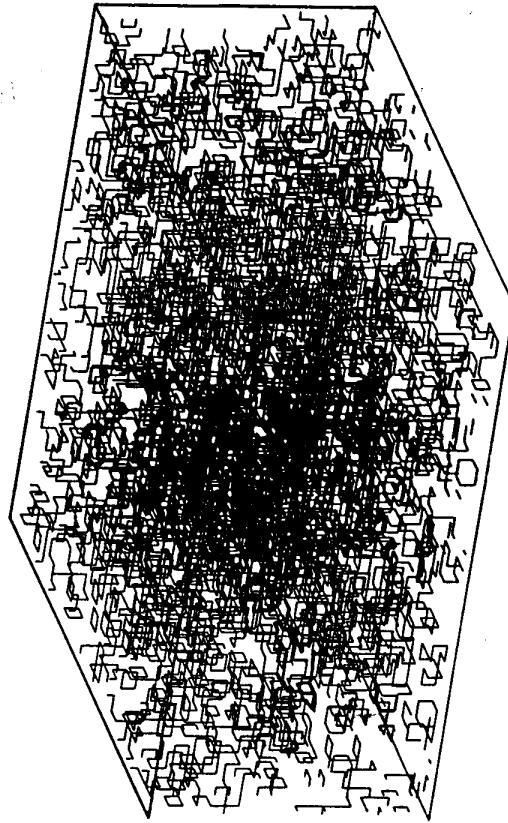
(15)



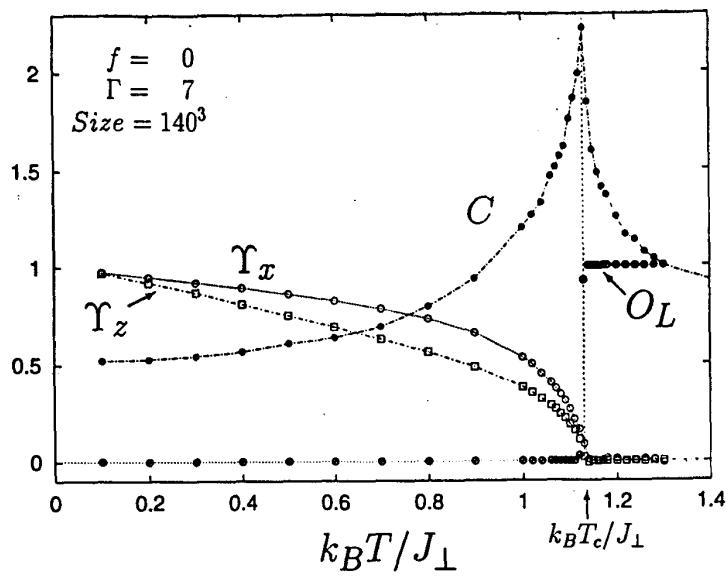
$T < T_c$

Onsager, '49
Feynman, '60's

(16)



$T > T_c$



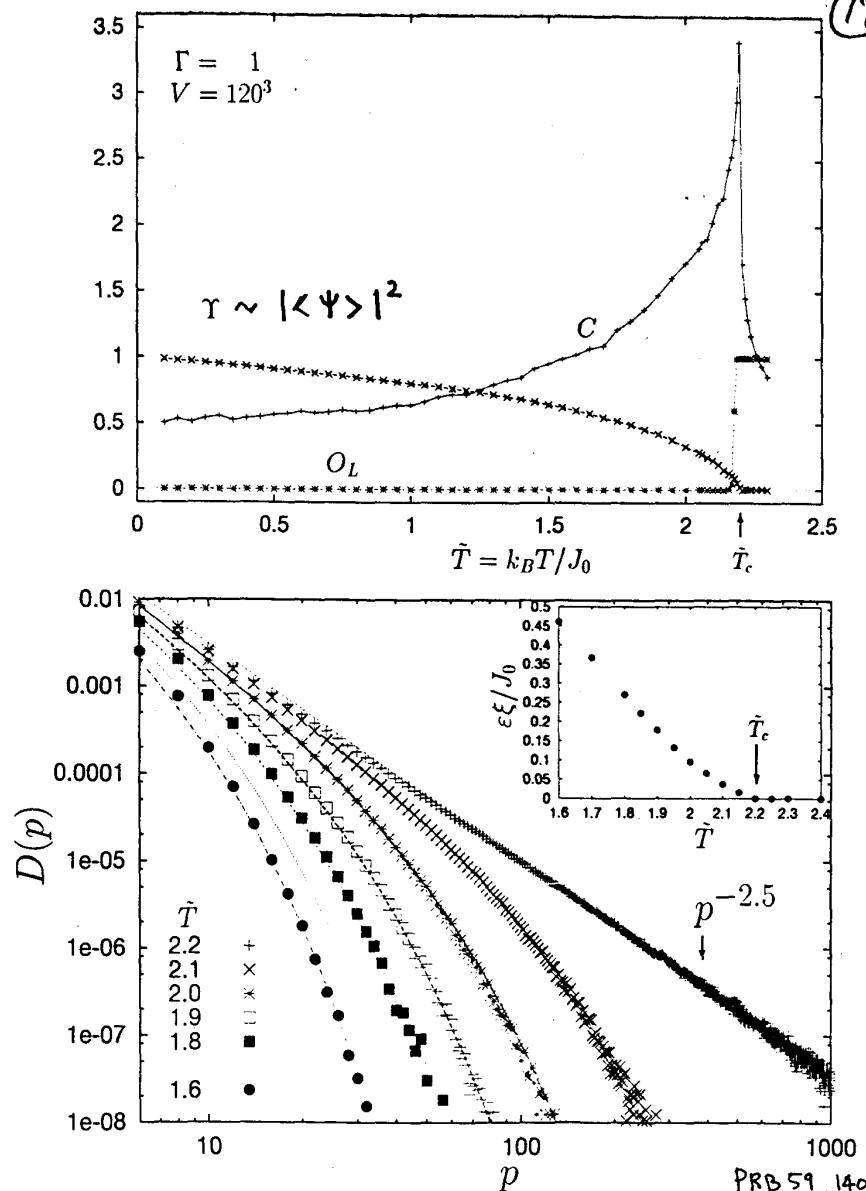
Monte-Carlo simulations of 3D XY model

Figure 1

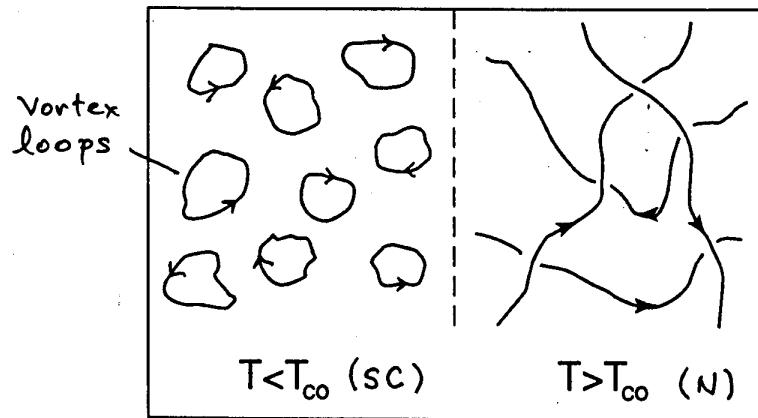
Nguyen & Sudbø

Phys. Rev. B 60, 15307 ('99).

Europhys. Lett. 46, 780 ('99).



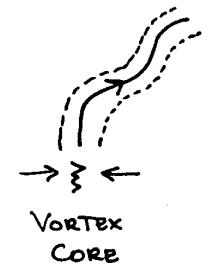
S.-K. Chiu, AK Nguyen, A. Sudbø; PRB 59, 14017 ('99)



ZT
Cond-mat/9801306, Phys. Rev. B 59, 6449 ('99).

● VORTICES AS TOPOLOGICAL DEFECTS (3D)

(20)



$$\Psi(\vec{r}) = \Psi_0 e^{i\varphi(\vec{r})}$$

- AMPLITUDE Ψ_0 UNIFORM OUTSIDE CORE REGION
- $\varphi(\vec{r})$ WINDS BY $\pm 2\pi$ AROUND THE VORTEX

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\nabla}\varphi = 0 ; \quad \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla}\varphi) = 2\pi \vec{n}(\vec{r})$$

$$\vec{n}(\vec{r}) = \sum_i q_i \int \frac{d\vec{r}_i}{2} \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i) \quad q_i = \pm 1$$

$$F_{sc}^{\text{vor}} = \frac{\hbar^2 |\Psi_0|^2}{2m^* c} \int d^3r (\vec{\nabla}\varphi)^2 + \text{core terms}$$

● MAGNETOSTATIC ANALOGY :

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 ; \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}(\vec{r})$$

$$F^{\text{mag}} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3r \vec{B}^2(\vec{r})$$

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) \leftrightarrow \nabla\varphi(\vec{r})$$

$$\vec{j}(\vec{r}) \leftrightarrow \vec{n}(\vec{r})$$

CURRENT LOOPS VORTEX LOOPS

Jackson, Classical ED

(2)

Prob. 6 Time-Varying Fields, Maxwell Equations, Conservation Laws 261

The derivation of the macroscopic Maxwell equations from a statistical-mechanical point of view has long been the subject of research for a school of Dutch physicists. Their conclusions are contained in two comprehensive books, de Groot, de Groot and Suttorp.

A treatment of the energy, momentum and Maxwell stress tensor of electromagnetic fields somewhat at variance with these authors and Brevik (*op. cit.*) is given by Penfield and Haus.

For the reader who wishes to explore the detailed quantum-mechanical treatment of dielectric constants and macroscopic field equations in matter, the following are suggested:

- S. L. Adler, *Phys. Rev.* 126, 413 (1962),
- B. D. Josephson, *Phys. Rev.* 152, 21 (1966),
- G. D. Mahan, *Phys. Rev.* 153, 983 (1967).

Symmetry properties of electromagnetic fields under reflection and rotation are discussed by Argence and Kahan.

The subject of magnetic monopoles has an extensive literature. We have already cited the review by Amaldi, and the papers by Carrigan and Goldhaber, as well as the fundamental papers of Dirac. The relevance of monopoles to particle physics is discussed by

J. Schwinger, *Science* 165, 757 (1969).

Some experimental searches are described in

Hart et al., *Phys. Rev.* 184, 1393 (1969),

Fleischer, Price and Woods, *Phys. Rev.* 184, 1398 (1969),

Alvarez et al., *Science* 167, 701 (1970).

The mathematical topics in this chapter center around the wave equation. The initial-value problem in one, two, three, and more dimensions is discussed by

Morse and Feshbach, pp. 843-847,

and, in more mathematical detail, by

Hadamard.

PROBLEMS

6.1 (a) Show that for a system of current-carrying elements in empty space the total energy in the magnetic field is

$$W = \frac{1}{2c^2} \int d^3x \int d^3x' \frac{\mathbf{J}(x) \cdot \mathbf{J}(x')}{|x-x'|}$$

where $\mathbf{J}(x)$ is the current density.

(b) If the current configuration consists of n circuits carrying currents I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n , show that the energy can be expressed as

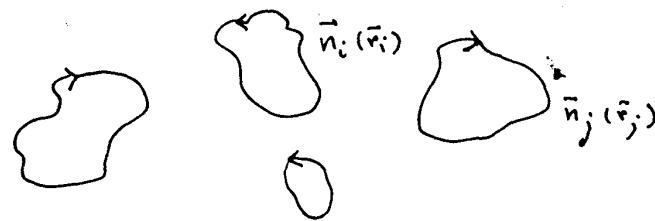
$$W = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n L_i I_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \neq i} M_{ij} I_i I_j$$

Exhibit integral expressions for the self-inductances (L_i) and the mutual inductances (M_{ij}).

6.2 A two-wire transmission line consists of a pair of nonpermeable parallel wires of radii a and b separated by a distance $d > a+b$. A current flows down one wire and back

Biot-Savart interactions between current loops

BIOT-SAVART INTERACTIONS BETWEEN VORTEX LOOPS



$$\rightarrow F_{Sc}^{vor} = \frac{\mu_0^2 N_0 l^2}{2m^2} (2\pi)^2 \int_c^3 d^3r \int_c^3 d^3r' \frac{\vec{n}(r) \cdot \vec{n}(r')}{|r-r'|}$$

$$+ \sum_i E_c \int ds : - \text{CORE ENERGY}$$

$$+ \frac{g}{2} \sum_i \sum_j \int ds_i \int ds_j \delta(\vec{r}_i[s_i] - \vec{r}_j[s_j])$$

- CONTACT REPULSION

• STILL, VORTEX LOOPS ARE NOT ORDINARY

CURRENT LOOPS: THEY ARE QUANTIZED!

$$\oint d\vec{r} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}\Phi)_{vor} = 2\pi n ; \quad n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

○ WHY DO LOOPS BLOW UP?

(23)



$$\text{ENERGY: } E = \epsilon_L L$$

$$\text{ENTROPY: } S = L \ln(m) \\ (m \sim s) \rightarrow$$

→ FREE ENERGY OF A VERY LONG VORTEX LOOP:

$$F = E - TS = (\epsilon_L - T \ln m) L \equiv f_L L$$

for $T > T_c = \frac{\epsilon_L}{\ln m}$ $f_L < 0 \rightarrow$

→ PROLIFERATION OF LONG LOOPS!

FOR $T \rightarrow T_c$

$$L \sim \frac{1}{|t|^\gamma}$$

$$t = 1 - \frac{T}{T_c}$$

loop size $\rightarrow R \sim \frac{1}{|t|^\nu}$ γ, ν - CRITICAL EXPONENTS
in real space

$$\gamma = (2 - \eta) \nu$$

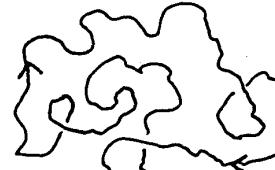
○ STATISTICAL PHYSICS OF VORTEX LOOPS: (24)



NO INTERACTION → RANDOM WALKS

$$\underline{R^2 \sim L}$$

$\leftarrow R \rightarrow$



SHORT RANGE REPULSION →

SELF-AVOIDING RANDOM WALKS

$$\underline{R^{2-\eta} \sim L ; \eta > 0}$$

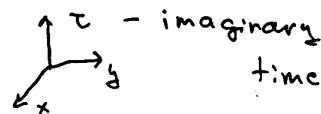
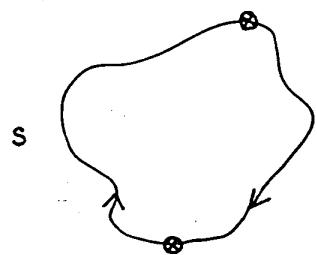


SHORT RANGE REPULSION +
+ LONG RANGE BIOT-SAVART INT. →
SELF-AVOIDING + SELF-SCREENING
RANDOM WALKS

$$\underline{R^{2-\eta} \sim L ; \eta < 0}$$

KELATIVISTIC VORTEX BOSONS: (25)

(see Appendix A)



particle-antiparticle
creation and annihilation
processes in vacuum

Schwinger proper time s

CONNECTIONS:

VORTEX LOOPS

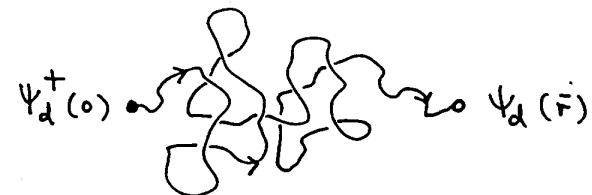
↓
VIA PATH-INTEGRAL QM
IN PROPER TIME

RELATIVISTIC FIELD-THEORY FOR

$\psi_d(\vec{r})$ - VORTEX BOSON FIELD OPERATOR

* $\psi_d(\vec{r})$ is DUAL OF $\psi(\vec{r})$

① CONNECTION BETWEEN LOOPS AND $\psi_d(\vec{r})$, $\tilde{\psi}_d(\vec{r})$ (26)



$$\langle \psi_d(\vec{r}) \psi_d^+(\vec{0}) \rangle \sim \frac{e^{-r/\zeta_d}}{r^{D-2+\eta}}$$

CORRELATION
FUNCTION

$$\zeta_d \sim R \quad m_d^2 \sim 1/L \quad *2 -$$

CORRELATION LENGTH

$$\langle \tilde{\psi}_d(\vec{r}) \tilde{\psi}_d(\vec{0}) \rangle \sim \frac{e^{-r/\lambda_d}}{r^{D-2+\eta_A}}$$

ANOMALOUS
DIMENSION
OF ψ_d

λ_d - MAGNETIC FIELD PENETRATION DPT.

η_A - ANOMALOUS DIMENSION OF $\tilde{\psi}_d$

• DUALITY IN 3D: (3D is special!) (27)

$$F_d \Leftrightarrow F_{sc}$$

$$\psi_d(\vec{r}) \Leftrightarrow \psi(\vec{r})$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \langle \psi(\vec{r}) \rangle \neq 0 \\ \underline{\langle \psi_d(\vec{r}) \rangle = 0} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \langle \psi(\vec{r}) \rangle = 0 \\ \underline{\langle \psi_d(\vec{r}) \rangle \neq 0} \end{array}$$

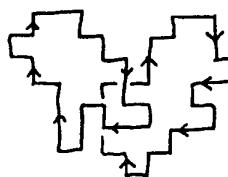


broken U(1)
symmetry
restored U(1)
dual symmetry

restored U(1)
symmetry
broken U(1)
dual symmetry

• VORTEX LOOP GAS

$$\rightarrow (H=0) (28)$$



BUILDING BLOCKS =>

=> Coulomb "stick" charges:

$$\dagger \dagger \dagger \rightarrow$$

• SELF-AVOIDING RANDOM WALKS ON A 3D DUAL
LATTICE WITH "Biot-Savart" INTERACTION
($\kappa \rightarrow \infty$)

$$\begin{aligned} F_d \rightarrow \int d^3 r \left\{ m_d^2 |\psi_d|^2 + \frac{q}{2} |\psi_d|^4 + |(\vec{\nabla} - i\vec{A}_d)\psi_d|^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2e_d^2} (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}_d)^2 \right\} - \text{dual theory in } \underline{\underline{3D}} \end{aligned}$$

$$m_d \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda} \quad \Lambda - \text{average loop size}$$

q - short-range repulsion (SARW)

$$e_d^2 \propto \langle |\psi|^2 \rangle - \text{dual charge}$$

\vec{A}_d - dual gauge field => "Biot-Savart"
massless ($\kappa \rightarrow \infty$) interactions

$\psi_d(\vec{r})$ - dual order parameter $\Leftrightarrow \psi(\vec{r})$
(loop)

original Superconducting order parameter

• DUALITY IN 3D (NOT SELF-DUAL !!) (29)

• $\alpha |\psi|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} |\psi|^4 + |\bar{\nabla} \psi|^2$

EXTREME TYPE-II
SUPERCONDUCTOR

↓ duality

• $m_d^2 |\psi_d|^2 + \frac{g}{2} |\psi_d|^4 + |(\bar{\nabla} - i\bar{A}_d) \psi_d|^2 + \frac{1}{2e_d^2} (\bar{\nabla} \times \bar{A}_d)^2$

"DUAL" SUPERCONDUCTOR

$\psi(\vec{r})$ -Cooper pair field $\Rightarrow \psi_d(\vec{r})$ -loop field of vortices

• If we include the physical EM field \vec{A} :

• $\alpha |\psi|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} |\psi|^4 + |(\bar{\nabla} - i\bar{A}) \psi|^2 + \frac{1}{2e^2} (\bar{\nabla} \times \bar{A})^2$

↓ duality

$\rightarrow m_d^2 |\psi_d|^2 + \frac{g}{2} |\psi_d|^4 + |(\bar{\nabla} - i\bar{A}_d) \psi_d|^2 + \frac{1}{2e_d^2} (\bar{\nabla} \times \bar{A}_d)^2$

+ $M_d^2 \bar{A}_d^2$

L mass of dual gauge field

$M_d^2 = e^2$

• DUALITY AT WORK:

- SUPERCONDUCTOR AND "DUAL" SUPERCONDUCTOR MUST HAVE SAME THERMODYNAMICS

$v = v_{sc} = v_{3DXY} \approx \frac{2}{3}$

"DUAL" SUPERCONDUCTOR IS IN "INVERTED 3DXY" UNIVERSALITY CLASS

(Dasgupta & Halperin)

• $(DUAL)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda \sim \xi \sim \frac{1}{|t|} v$

$\eta_A = \frac{1}{2}$

(Herbut & Tešanović
PRL 76, 4588 ('96); 78, 980 ('97))

- DUALITY + RENORMALIZATION GROUP =>

SOLUTION FOR $v = v_{3DXY} \Rightarrow$

SUPERCONDUCTOR:

$v_{sc} = 0.67 \quad \eta_{sc} = +0.03$

"DUAL"

SUPERCONDUCTOR:

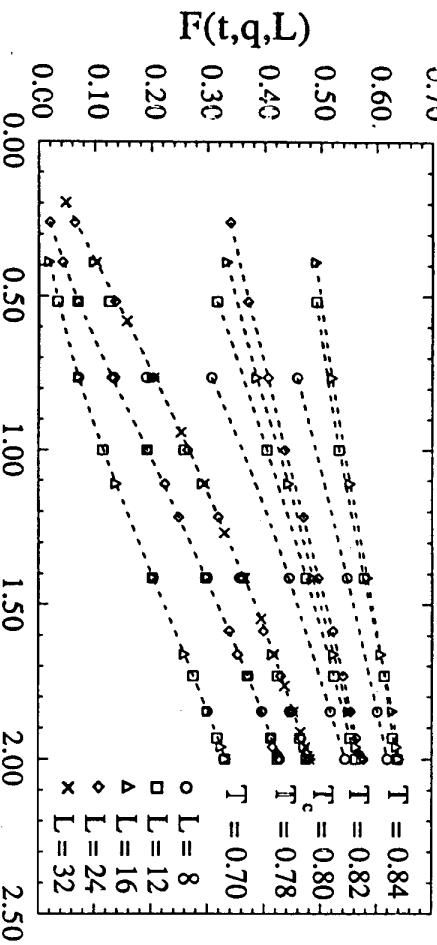
$v_d = 0.67 \quad \eta_d \approx -0.16$

(see Appendix B)

(Herbut & Tešanović)

2

Magnetic field fluctuations: $F(t,q,L) \sim \langle b(q)b(-q) \rangle$ vs. q



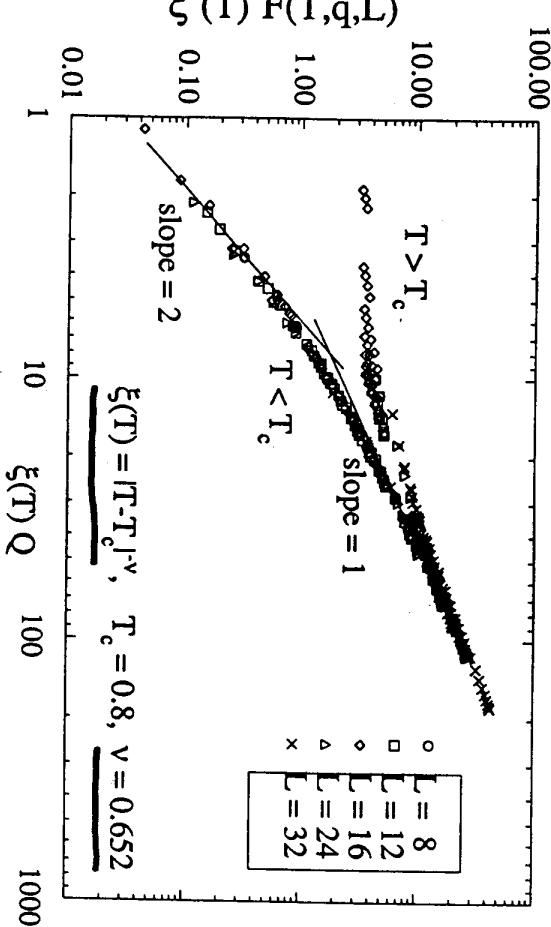
$$\text{as } q \rightarrow 0 \begin{cases} F(q) \sim q^2 & \text{for } T < T_c \\ F(q) \sim q & \text{for } T = T_c \end{cases}$$

malous dimension
(Herbut and Tesanovic)

(Note: virtually no finite size effects for $T < T_c$)

P. Olsson and S. Teitel, PRL 80, 1964 ('98)

三



Scaling Collapse: $\xi F(t,q,L)$ vs. ξq (large L limit, no finite size effects in data)

P. Olosson and S. Teitel, PRL 80, 1964 (1998)

Conclusions

P. Olsson and S. Teitel, PRL 80, 1964 (

- Scaling collapse of $L F(t, 2\pi/L, L)$ vs. $tL^{1/\nu}$
determines: $x = 1$, $\nu = 0.65 \pm 0.03$, $T_c = 0.80$
- $\xi \sim |T - T_c|^{-\nu}$ where ν is consistent with inverted 3D XY behavior
 $v_{XY} \approx 2/3$

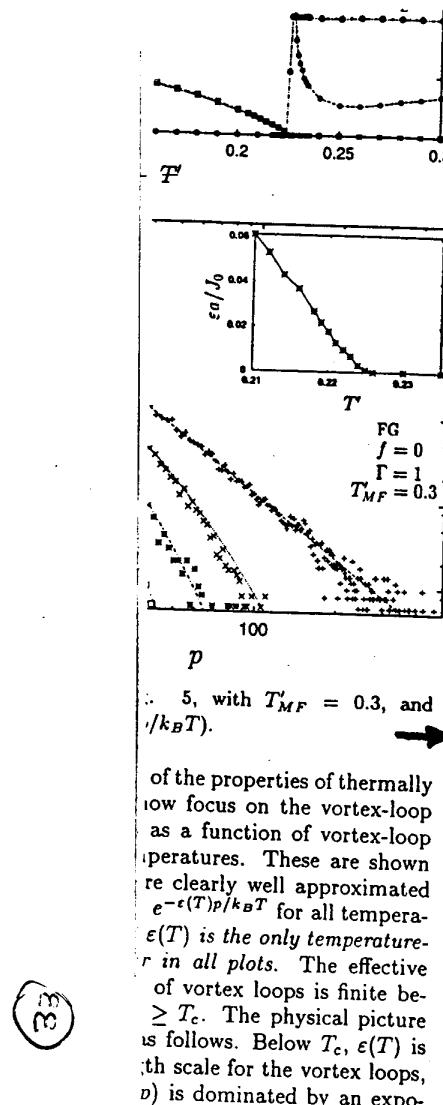
$$v_\epsilon = 0.667$$

- Scaling collapse of $\xi F(t, q, L)$ vs. $q\xi$
demonstrates that ξ is the only length scale of magnetic field fluctuations, i.e. $\xi \sim \lambda$ the magnetic penetration length

$$\bullet F(q) \sim q \text{ at } T = T_c \quad n_A = 1$$

demonstrates anomalous dimension of magnetic field fluctuations
confirms primary prediction of Herbut and Tesanovic

(33)



of the properties of thermally averaged vortex loops. These are shown to be clearly well approximated by $e^{-\epsilon(T)p/k_B T}$ for all temperatures. $\epsilon(T)$ is the only temperature scale for the vortex loops, p is dominated by an exponent

17

such that $L_0(T) \sim |T - T_c|^{-\gamma}$
 $\gamma = 1.45 \pm 0.05$ (30)
The numerical value of the exponent γ has been extracted from the systems with the largest critical regions, i.e. Figs. 3, 4, and 5. The system shown in Fig. 6 does not allow a very precise value for γ to be obtained, although the qualitative aspects of the results are clearly precisely the same as those for the 3DXY-model and the FG-approximation of the GL-model with $T'_{MF} = 1.0$. This implies that the typical vortex-loop perimeter diverges when T_c is approached from below, using Eq. 29, as

$$L_0(T) \sim |T - T_c|^{-\gamma}, \quad (31)$$

such that $L_0(T)$ is a power of the correlation length ξ of the 3DXY model. It is natural, within the formulation of the problem given in Section II F, to associate the proliferation of unbound vortex-loops with a vortex-loop susceptibility, or equivalently a susceptibility for the ϕ -field of Section II F. The field ϕ has a correlation length exponent which should be $\nu = 2/3$ since it is in the same universality class as the GL theory. The standard scaling relation between ν and γ is given by

$$\gamma = (2 - \eta_\phi) \nu \quad (32)$$

where η_ϕ is the anomalous dimension of the ϕ -field. Using our estimate $\gamma = 1.45 \pm 0.05$ with $\nu = 2/3$ gives $\eta_\phi = -0.18 \pm 0.07$ in close agreement with previous renormalization group calculations⁸².

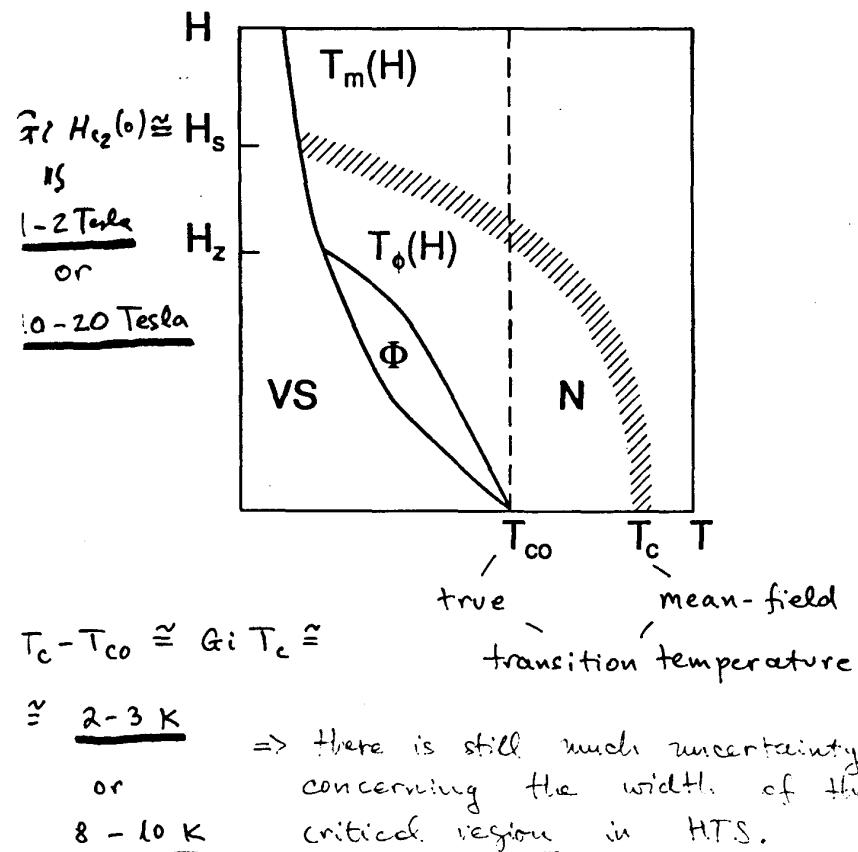
At and below T_c , the order field $\langle \psi(r) \rangle$ develops an expectation value, and explicitly breaks the global $U(1)$ symmetry of the GL-theory. In contrast to the order field picture, in a description using only topological excitations, the global $U(1)$ symmetry is hidden. There does not appear to be any symmetry operation involving the phase of a local field, that will leave the effective action Eq. 13 or vortex Hamiltonian Eq. 14 invariant. Therefore, there is also no obvious local quantity that develops an expectation value in the non-symmetric phase. Nevertheless, it is possible to define a global quantity that implicitly probes the breaking of the global $U(1)$ symmetry, namely O_L . Let N_μ denote the number of "vortex

Hove, Nguyen & Sudbø, LT22 ('99
Nguyen & Sudbø, preprint ('99

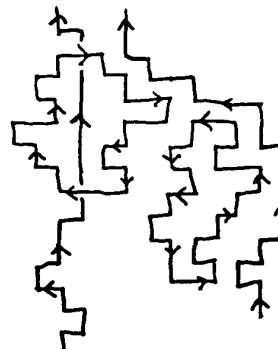
(34)

ΔT , xxx.lanl.gov/cond-mat/9801306,
Phys. Rev. B 59, 6499 (1999) long paper

$T_m(H)$ - Vortex lattice melting line
(Bishop, Gammel, ...)
Safar



• VORTEX LOOP GAS ($H \neq 0$)



Finite H acts like uniform charge background in the dual model.

$$n_+ - n_- = n_\phi = \frac{1}{2\pi\ell^2}$$

$$\ell = \sqrt{\frac{c}{e^* H}} \text{ - magnetic length}$$

* Minimum N_ϕ vortex lines in each configuration

Loops and lines are topologically distinct:

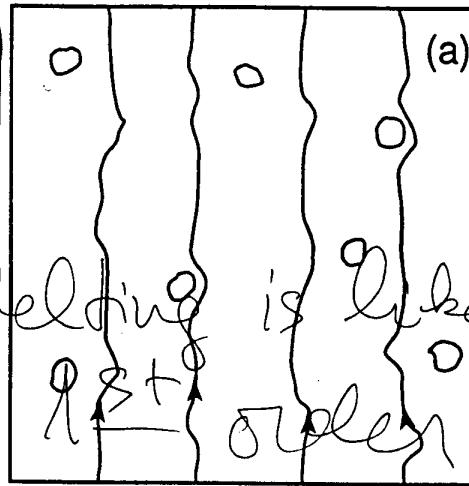
$$\rightarrow \underline{\phi_d(\vec{r})} \text{ (analogous to } \underline{\psi_d(\vec{r})} \text{ for } H=0)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rightarrow \underline{\psi_s(\vec{r})} \rightarrow F_d &= \int d^3 r \left\{ \frac{1}{2\epsilon_d^2} (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}_d)^2 + \right. \\
 &+ m_\phi^2 |\phi_d|^2 + \frac{g}{2} (\phi_d)^4 + |(\vec{\nabla} - i\vec{A}_d) \phi_d|^2 + \\
 &+ \psi_s^* (\partial_z - iA_{d,z}) \psi_s + \frac{1}{2m_s} |(\vec{\nabla} - i\vec{A}_{d,\perp}) \psi_s|^2 + \frac{g}{2} |\psi_s|^4 \\
 &\left. + g |\phi_d|^2 |\psi_s|^2 \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

37

"line solid"
or
Abrikosov
vortex lattice

ψ -order $\neq 0$
 ϕ -order $\neq 0$



$$T < T_m(H)$$

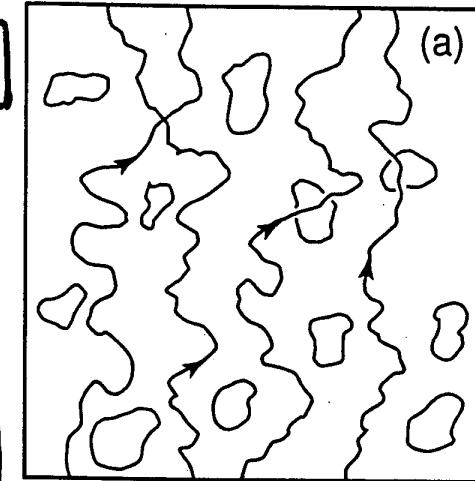
"line liquid"

ψ -order = 0

ϕ -order $\neq 0$

$$\tau \neq 0$$

finite line tension



$$T_m(H) < T < T_\phi(H)$$

confined

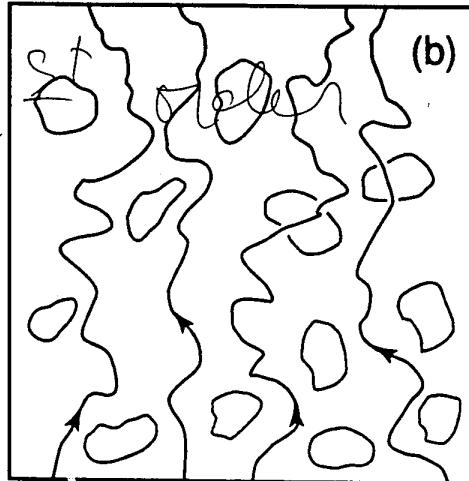
"vortex
liquid"

ϕ_d -order = 0



would be

"line liquid"



$$T_m(H) < T < T_\phi(H)$$

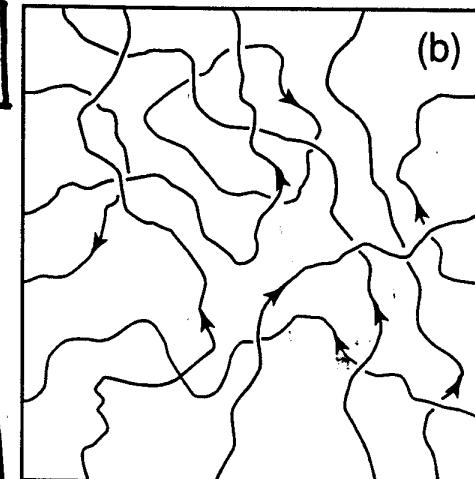
true normal state

ψ -order = 0

ϕ -order = 0

$$\tau = 0$$

line tension
vanishes



$$T_\phi(H) < T$$

deconfined

"vortex
gas"

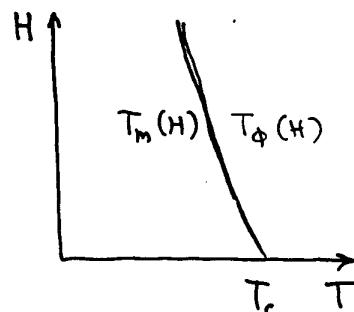
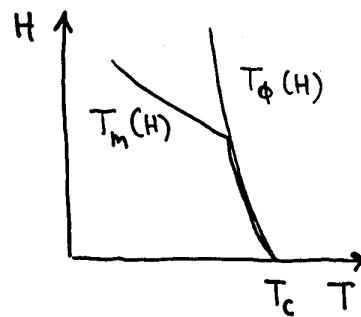
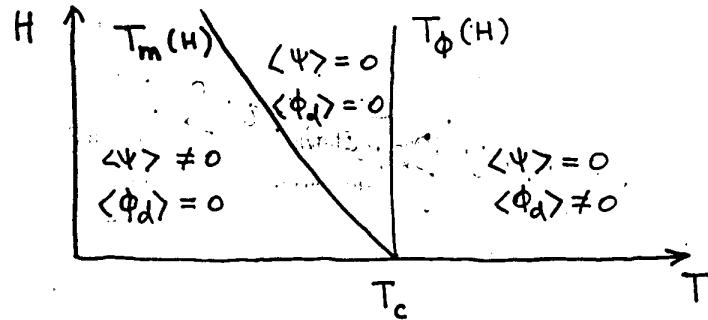
ϕ_d -order $\neq 0$

Cond-mat/9801306, Phys. Rev. B 59, 6449 (1999).

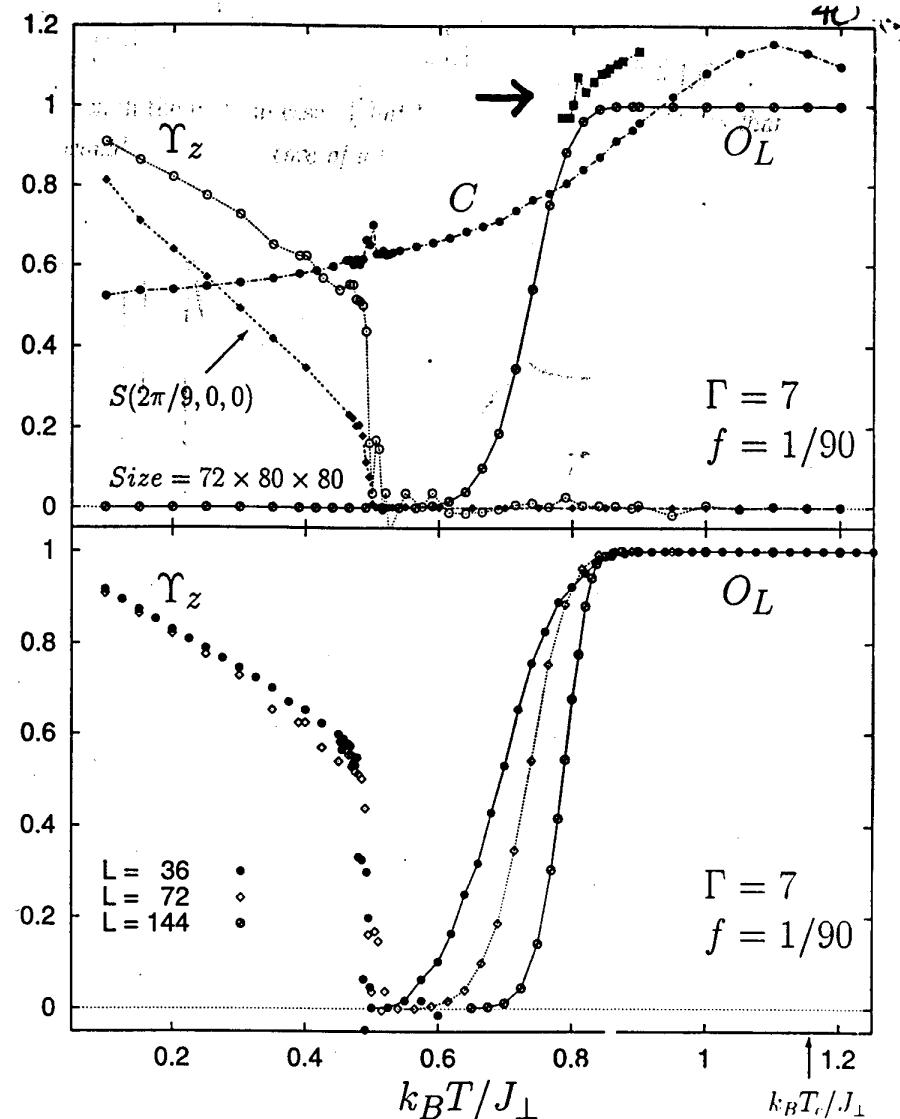
Cond-mat/9801306, Phys. Rev. B 59, 6449 (1999).

38

② VORTEX MELTING vs.
VORTEX LOOP UNBINDING



39



Europhys. Lett. **46**, 780 (1999). Figure 2 cond-mat/9811149
N Nguyen & Sudbø, preprint (Aug '98)

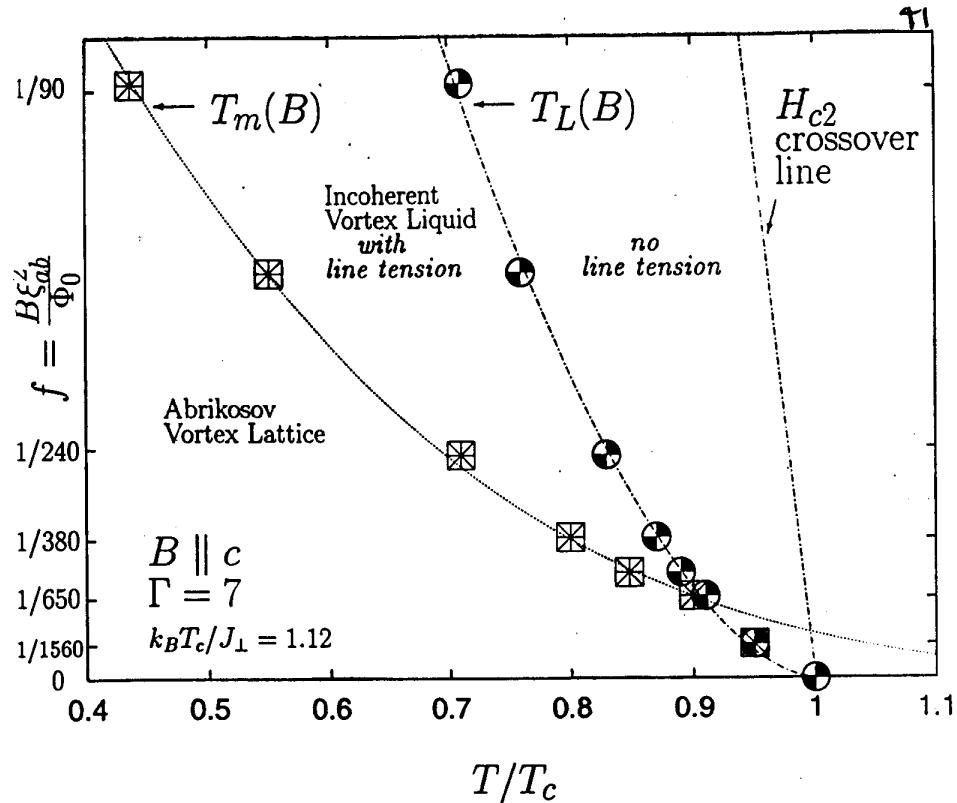
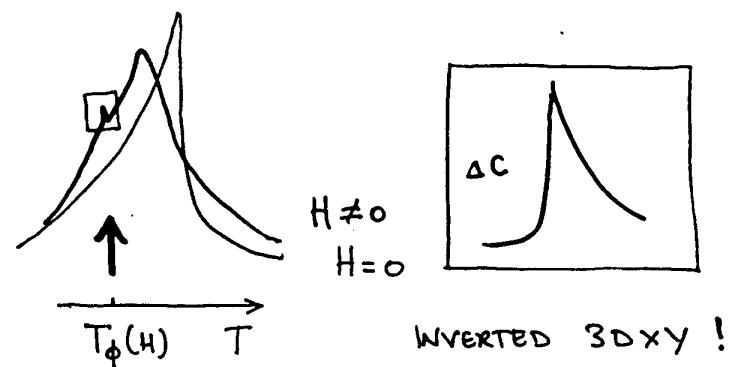


Figure 3

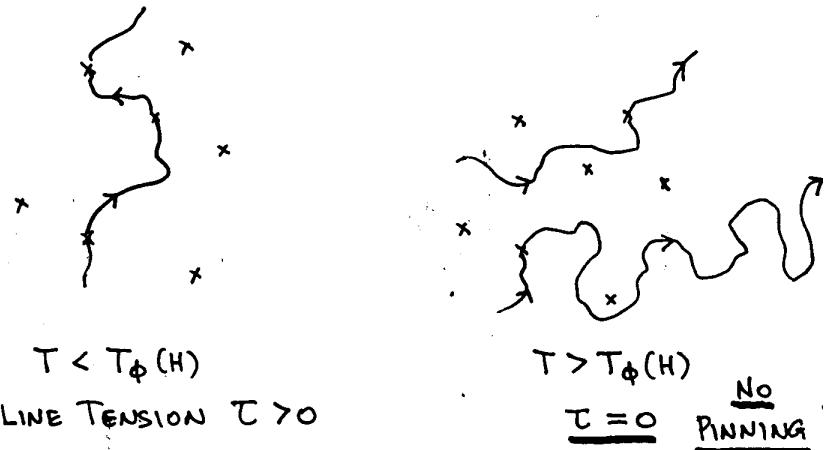
Nguyen & Subrahmanyam, Aug '98
 cond-mat/9811149, preprint
 Europhys. lett. 46, 780 ('99).

• SPECIFIC HEAT AT $T_\phi(H)$



* ΔC HAS A "WRONG" SIGN AT $T_\phi(H)$! *
 $\langle \phi_d \rangle = 0 \rightarrow \langle \phi_d \rangle \neq 0$

• PINNING AT $T_\phi(H)$



PAR AVION PAP : 43

M4-M4 28/03/00 16:30 Pg: 1

COMMISSARIAT À L'ÉNERGIE ATOMIQUE

SERVICE DE PHYSIQUE STATISTIQUE, MAGNETISME ET SUPRACONDUCTEURS

EXPERIMENT: C. MARCEAU et al.
Submitted to Nature

DATE:	28 Mars 00	OBJET:	Figure
NRÉF:		VNRÉF:	
DE:	MARCEAU - Chris	A:	P ⁿ Tesanovic Z.
NFAX:	33-4-76-88-50-96	VIFAX:	410-515 7233

NOMBRE DE PAGES: 1/1

Dear Peter, here is the figure. See my email for the explanations.

Christophe.

Anomalies en chaleur-spécifique normalisées

Y-Gen (12 T) He⁴ (inversé)

T/T_c

Nature Of Quasiparticle States in the Vortex Lattice of Unconventional Superconductors

In the core of a vortex, what is the nature of the quasiparticle states? What is the effect of the magnetic field on the core of a vortex?

Oskar Vafek
Ashot Melikyan
M. Franz
Z. Tesanovic (Johns Hopkins U.)

SOLUTION FOR A SINGLE VORTEX

Caroli, de Gennes and Matricon (1964) solved the above problem for a single isolated vortex with order parameter of the form

$$\Delta(\mathbf{R}) = \Delta(R)e^{-i\theta},$$

by matching the wave-functions in two asymptotic regions. They found a set of *discrete bound states* in the core labeled by the angular momentum quantum number μ with low lying energy levels of the form:

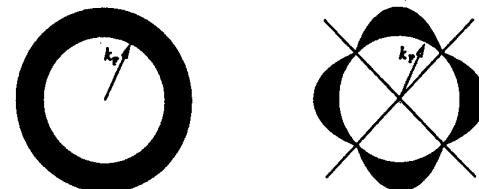
$$E_\mu \simeq \mu \Delta_0 \left(\frac{\Delta_0}{E_F} \right), \quad \mu = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$$



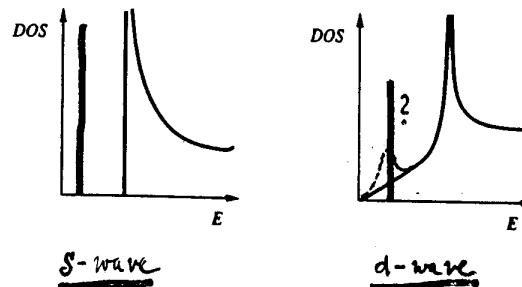
The corresponding wave-functions are peaked near μk_F^{-1} and decay as $\sim e^{-R/\xi}$ outside the core.

VORTEX CORE IN A D-WAVE SUPERCONDUCTOR

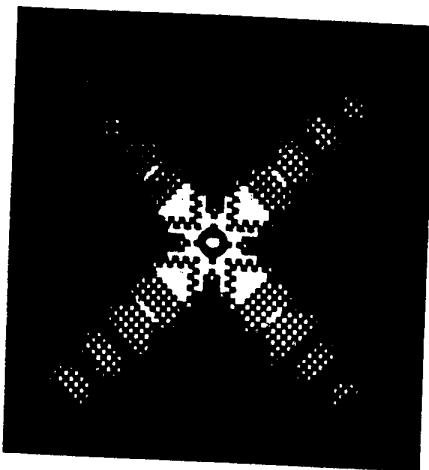
In *d*-wave superconductors, such as high- T_c cuprates, the order parameter has a nontrivial dependence on the *relative* coordinate of the Cooper pair: it vanishes along the four nodes on the Fermi surface.



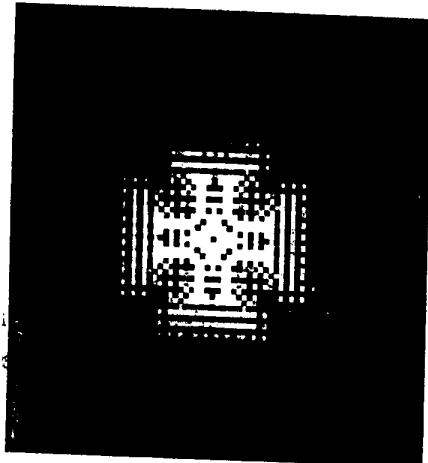
Correspondingly, there exist low-lying excitations near the nodes even in the uniform case. *What happens to the bound states that would exist in the core of a conventional s-wave vortex?*



Quasiparticle wave-functions



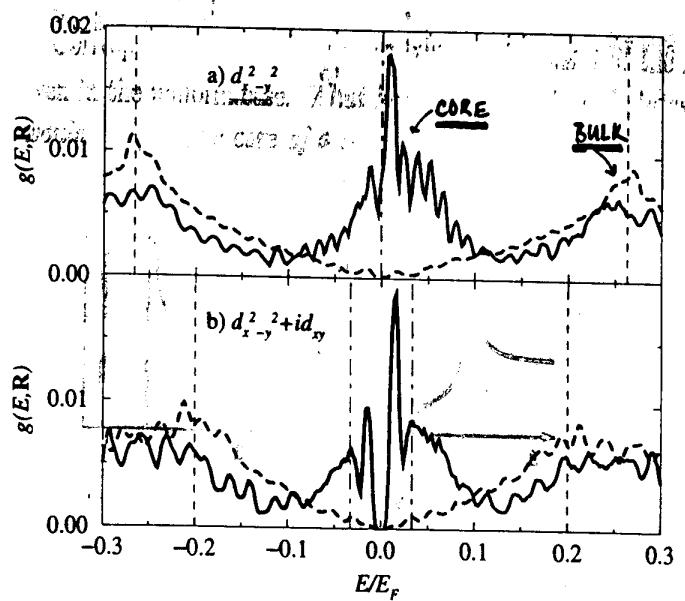
$$|u_n|^2$$



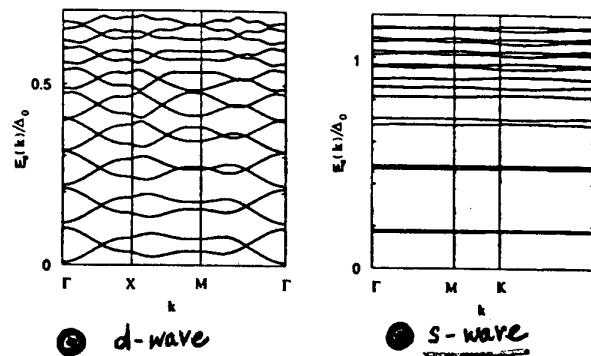
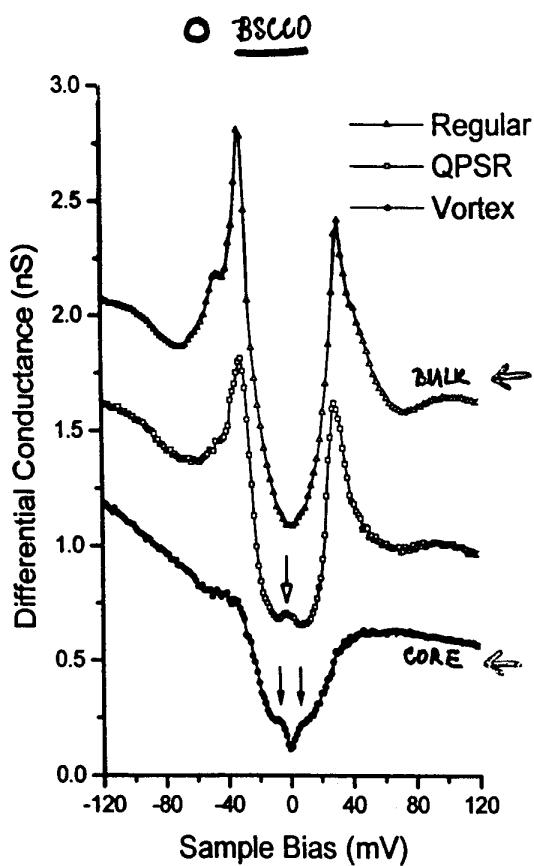
$$|v_n|^2$$

The cor

● TUNNELING CONDUCTANCE
[H. FRANZ & Z. TEŠANOVIC
TRL 60, 4763 (1998)]



49



K. YASUI & T. KITA
[COND-MAT/9905067]
PRL 83, 4168 (1999)

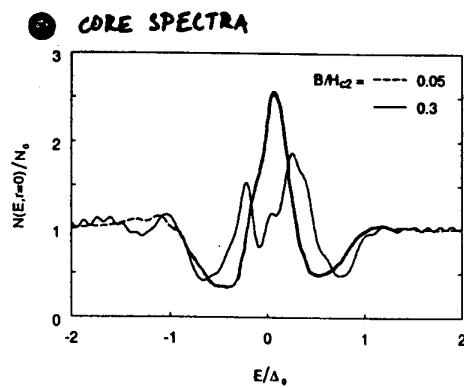


Figure 2
J.C. Davis

Bogoliubov-de Gennes Hamiltonian

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_e & \hat{\Delta} \\ \hat{\Delta}^* & -\hat{\mathcal{H}}_e^* \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{\Delta} \equiv \hat{\mathbb{D}}_{x^2-y^2} \Delta(\vec{r})$$

with $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_e = (\mathbf{p} - e\mathbf{A}/c)^2/2m - \epsilon_F$ and $\hat{\Delta}$ the pairing operator with pairing function of the form

$$\Delta(\mathbf{r}) \simeq \Delta_0 e^{i\phi(\mathbf{r})}.$$

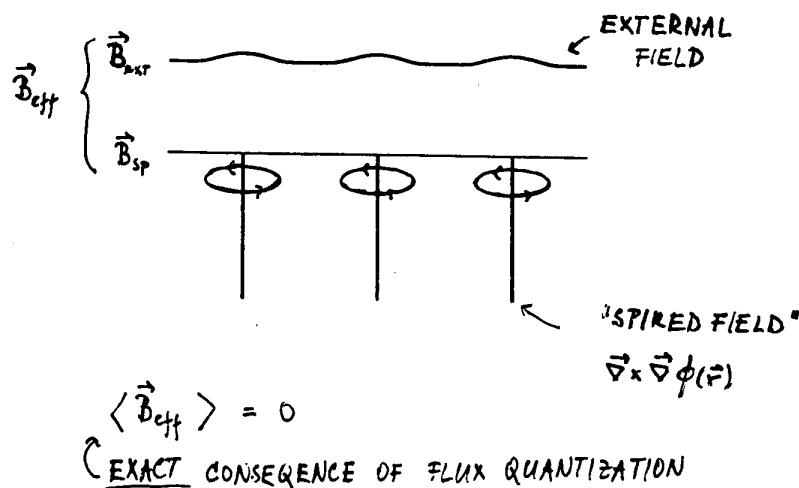


The phase $\phi(\mathbf{r})$ acts as an “gauge field” coupled to quasiparticles.

In the vortex state $\phi(\mathbf{r})$ is *not* a pure gauge, however,

$$\rightarrow \nabla \times \nabla \phi(\mathbf{r}) = 2\pi \hat{z} \sum_i \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_i) \quad \leftarrow$$

and correspond to a “spiked” magnetic field concentrated at vortex cores which on average *exactly cancels* the applied field \mathbf{B} .



● FT GAUGE TRANSFORMATION*

$$\phi(\vec{r}) = \phi^A(\vec{r}) + \phi^B(\vec{r})$$

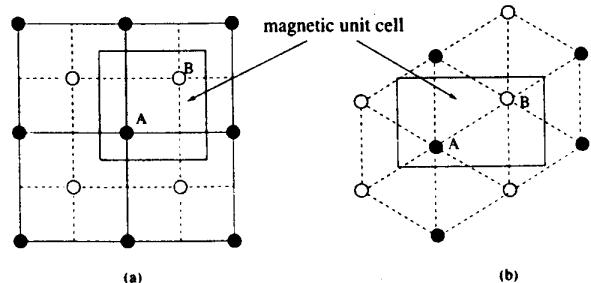


Figure 1: Two sublattices A and B of the square (a) and triangular (b) vortex lattice.

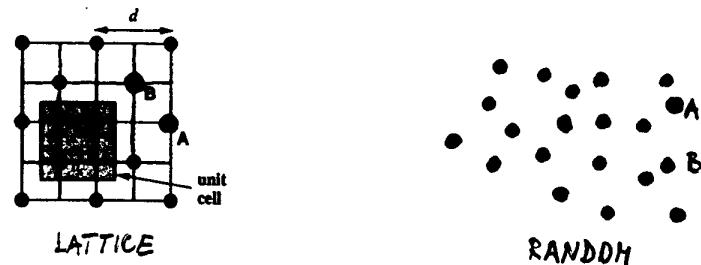
We still have considerable freedom to choose $\phi_A(\mathbf{r})$ and $\phi_B(\mathbf{r})$, subject to the constraint

$$\rightarrow \phi_A(\mathbf{r}) + \phi_B(\mathbf{r}) = \phi(\mathbf{r}).$$

This corresponds to "trading" the spiked field between electron and hole sectors of \mathcal{H}' .

We require that:

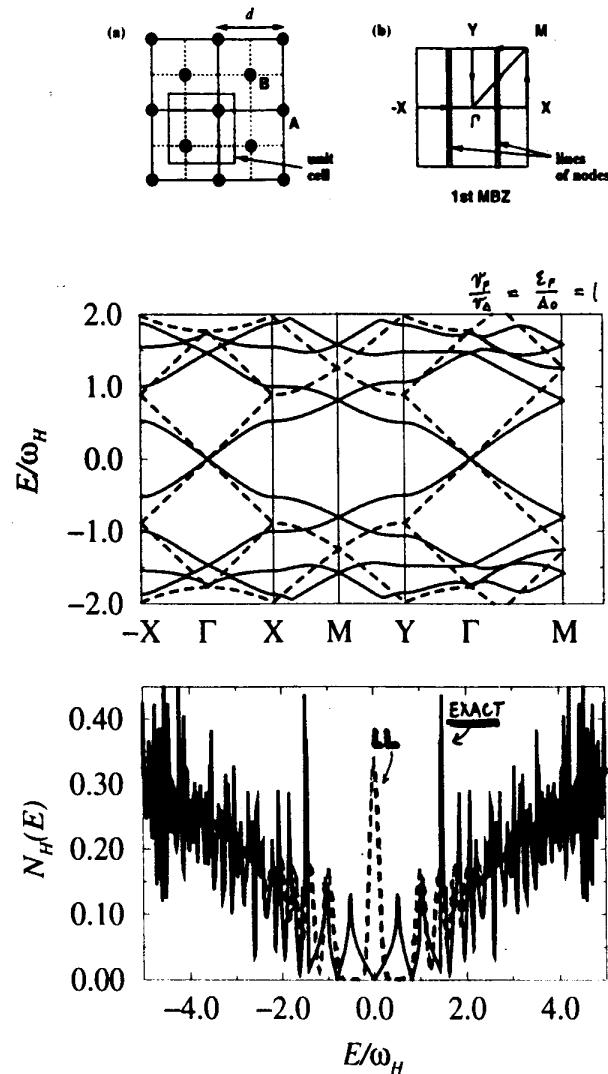
- $\phi_A(\mathbf{r})$ and $\phi_B(\mathbf{r})$ contain no additional singularities beyond those already present in $\phi(\mathbf{r})$
- Transformation U is single valued
- The effective field $\bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\text{eff}}^\mu = -\frac{mc}{e}(\nabla \times \mathbf{v}_s^\mu)$ vanishes on average



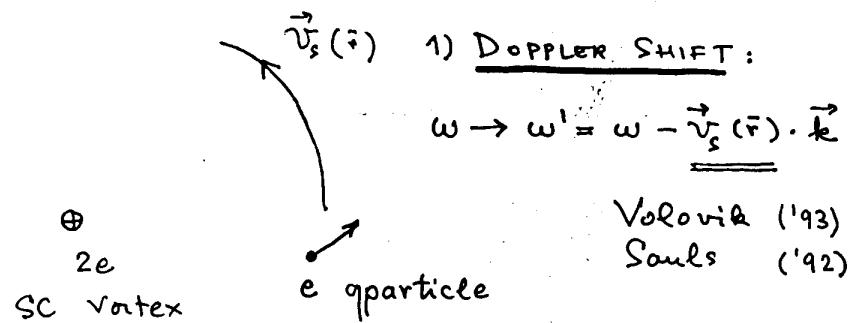
Note that with this choice U is single valued and

$$\rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\text{eff}}^\mu = -\frac{mc}{e}\langle \nabla \times \mathbf{v}_s^\mu \rangle = 0.$$

* FRANZ & TESANOVIC
PRL 84, 554 (2000)
MARINELLI, HALPERIN & SIMON
Cond-mat/0001406



○ INTERACTION OF VORTICES AND QUASIPARTICLES (1) + (2))



* DOPPLER SHIFT LEADS TO $\underline{\Delta\phi = \pi}$ AS QUASIPARTICLE GOES AROUND THE SUPERCONDUCTING ($2e$) VORTEX \Rightarrow

2) TOPOLOGICAL TERM:

$$\vec{k} \rightarrow \vec{k}' = \vec{k} - \underline{\vec{D}(\vec{r})}$$

$\vec{D}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{2} (\vec{\nabla}\phi_A - \vec{\nabla}\phi_B)$

ACTS AS A VECTOR POTENTIAL OF A DIRAC QUASIPARTICLE AND

UNWINDS THE PHASE FOR GLOBALLY CURVED SUPERFLOW (IE, IN PRESENCE OF VORTICES)

Franz-Tesanovic
PRL 84, 554 ('00)

○ ORIGIN OF VORTEX-QPARTICLE INTERACTION

$$\int d\vec{r} \hat{D}_{x^2-y^2} \Delta(\vec{r}) u^*(\vec{r}) v(\vec{r})$$

If $\Delta(\vec{r}) \sim e^{i\phi(\vec{r})}$ remove this phase by

$$\begin{aligned} GT: \quad u(r) &\rightarrow e^{-\frac{i\phi}{2}} u(r) \\ v(r) &\rightarrow e^{\frac{i\phi}{2}} v(r) \end{aligned}$$

* IN PRESENCE OF VORTICES SUCH GT IS NOT SINGLE-VALUED. WE MUST USE DIFFERENT GT:

$$u(r) \rightarrow e^{-i\phi_A} u(r) \quad \text{where } \phi_A(r) + \phi_B(r) = \phi(r)$$

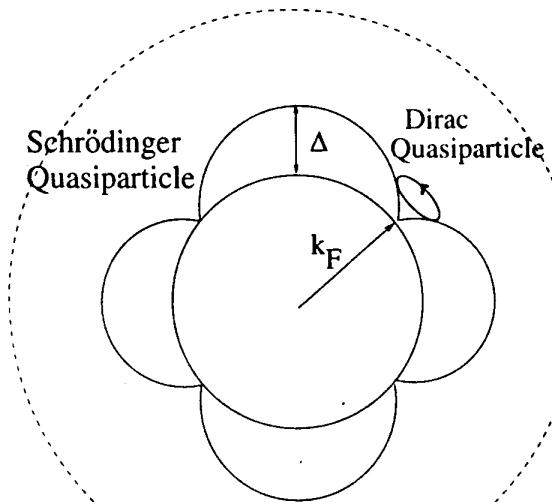
$$v(r) \rightarrow e^{i\phi_B} v(r) \quad (\text{Frauz-Tesanovic'}) \Rightarrow$$

LOW ENERGY QPARTICLE HAMILTONIAN:

$$\hat{H}_D \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_F(\hat{p}_x + D_x) & +v_A(\hat{p}_y + D_y) \\ +v_A(\hat{p}_y - D_y) & -v_F(\hat{p}_x + D_x) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = (E - \mu_D) \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mu_D \equiv v_F v_{sx}(\vec{r})$ - DOPPLER SHIFT IS SCALAR POTENTIAL

$\vec{D} \equiv \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\nabla}\phi_A - \vec{\nabla}\phi_B)$ - TOPOLOGICAL TERM IS VECTOR POTENTIAL



59
 ④ $d_{x^2-y^2}$ wave (square vortex lattice)

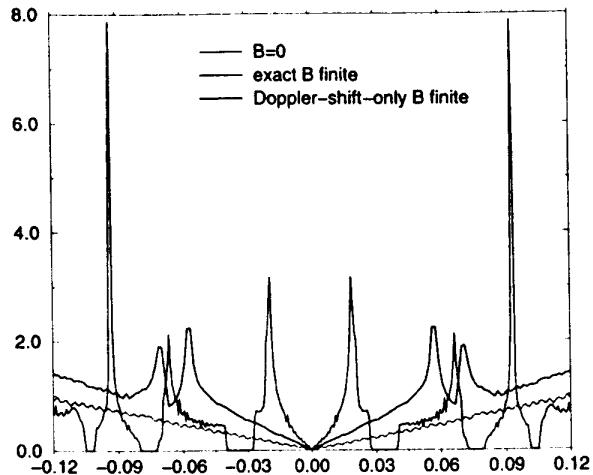


Figure 7: Comparison of the low energy part of the quasiparticle density of states for an d -wave superconductor with square arrangement of vortices with the DOS obtained from the Doppler-shift-only approximation. Plotted on arbitrary scale, the energy is in units of t . The parameters are $\mu = 0$, $\alpha_D = \frac{t}{\Delta_0} = 4$.

59

ORIENTED

APPENDIX A: FIELD THEORY OF 1 Loop Gas

60

CONSIDER FREE COMPLEX FIELD THEORY:

$$H = \int d^3x \left(|\nabla \phi|^2 + m^2 \phi^2 \right)$$

GREEN FUNCTION $G(\vec{x})$ IS:

$$\langle \phi(0) \phi^*(\vec{x}) \rangle = G(\vec{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}}}{k^2 + m^2}$$

SCHWINGER PROPER TIME (S) REPRESENTATION:

$$G(\vec{x}) = \int_0^\infty ds e^{-sm^2} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x} - sk^2} = \\ = \int_0^\infty ds e^{-sm^2} \left(\frac{1}{4\pi s} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{1}{4} \frac{x^2}{s}}$$

→ USING FEYNMAN PATH INTEGRALS:

$$\left(\frac{1}{4\pi s} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{1}{4} \frac{x^2}{s}} = \int \mathcal{D}\vec{x}(s') \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} \int_0^s ds' \dot{\vec{x}}^2(s') \right]$$

$\vec{x}(s) = \vec{x}$
 $\vec{x}(0) = 0$

WE USE FEYNMAN REPRESENTATION TO WRITE (UP TO A CONSTANT):

61

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr} \ln [-\nabla^2 + m^2] &= \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \ln (k^2 + m^2) = \\ &= - \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} e^{-sm^2} \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-sk^2} = \\ &= - \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} e^{-sm^2} \oint D\bar{x}(s') \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} \int_0^s ds' \dot{x}^2(s') \right] \end{aligned}$$

↓

CLOSED LOOPS STARTING AND ENDING AT ϕ .

NOW USE: $\det^{-1} (-\nabla^2 + m^2) \equiv \exp(-\Gamma)$ AND

$$\text{Tr} \ln (-\nabla^2 + m^2) = \ln \det (-\nabla^2 + m^2) \Rightarrow$$

$$e^{-\Gamma} = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{N!} \prod_{l=1}^N \left[\int_0^\infty \frac{ds_l}{s_l} e^{-m^2 s_l} \oint D\bar{x}(s'_l) \right] \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} \sum_{l=0}^N \int_0^{s_l} ds'_l \dot{x}^2(s'_l) \right]$$

FREE LOOP GAS

* WITH SHORT RANGE REPULSION:

$$e^{-\frac{g}{4} |\phi|^4} = \int D\lambda(\bar{x}) e^{-i\lambda(\bar{x})|\phi|^2 - \frac{[\lambda(\bar{x})]^2}{g}}$$

\Rightarrow SELF-AVOIDING LOOP GAS

APPENDIX B: RG SOLUTION OF DUAL THEORY

62

I. F. HERBUT & ZT, PRL 76, 4588 (1996)
PRL 78, 980 (1997)

$$m_\phi^2 |\phi|^2 + |(\nabla - \tilde{A}_d)\phi|^2 + \frac{g}{4} |\phi|^4 + \frac{1}{2e_d^2} (\nabla \times \tilde{A}_d)^2$$

$$e_d^2 \sim \langle |\phi|^2 \rangle \quad \xrightarrow{\text{FLUCTUATING DENSITY OF COOPER PAIRS}}$$

$$\beta_e(g, e_d) \equiv \frac{de_d^2}{d\log(p)} = -e_d^2 + \frac{C}{16} e_d^4 + \Theta(e_d^6, g e_d^4)$$

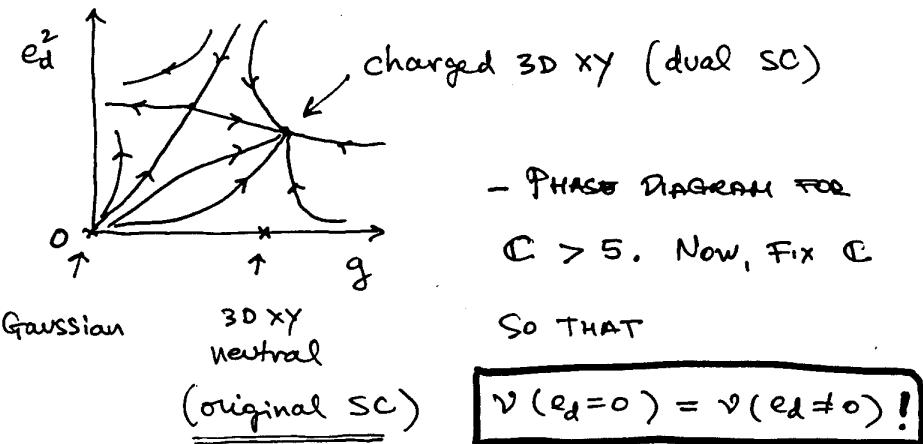
$$\begin{aligned} \beta_g(g, e_d) \equiv \frac{dg}{d\log(p)} &= -g + \frac{2\sqrt{2}+1}{8} g^2 - \frac{1}{2} g e_d^2 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} e_d^4 + \\ &+ \Theta(g^3, e_d^6, g e_d^4, g^2 e_d^2) \end{aligned}$$

e_d - dimensionless dual charge (Biot-Savart)

g - short range repulsion between vortex loop segments

C - threshold function of non-perturbative RG

PHASE DIAGRAM:



- PHASE DIAGRAM FOR
 $C > 5$. Now, Fix C
SO THAT

THIS ASSURES THAT DUAL THEORY HAS THE SAME
THERMODYNAMICS AS THE ORIGINAL THEORY !

REMARKABLY, THERE IS SUCH A SOLUTION:

$$V_{\text{dual}} = V_{\text{SC}} = V_{\text{3DXY}} \approx 0.67$$

WITH C THUS FIXED $\Rightarrow \eta_{\text{dual}} \approx -0.2 !$

ALSO,

$$\eta_{\text{Ad}} = 1 - \text{EXACT} !$$

COMPARE TO SIMULATIONS BY SUDBØ ET AL.