

QUANTUM SIMULATION OF LATTICE GAUGE THEORIES WITH COLD ATOMS

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OUTLINE

QUANTUM SIMULATION

COLD ATOMS IN OPTICAL LATTICES

HAMILTONIAN LGT

Q. SIMULATION: LGT

- REQUIREMENTS

- EXACT AND EFFECTIVE LOCAL GAUGE INVARIANCE

- LINKS AND PLAQUETTES – Examples: cQED, $Z(N)$, $SU(2)$

CURRENT EXPERIMENTS AND LGT SIMULATIONS

OUTLOOK.



Simulating Physics with Computers

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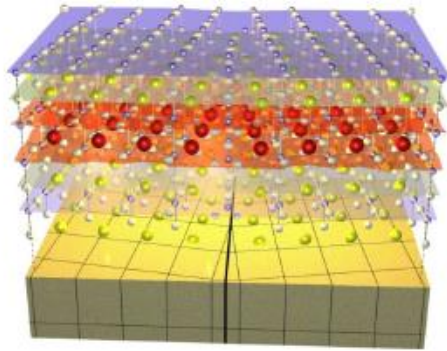
1. INTRODUCTION

On the program it says this is a keynote speech—and I don't know what a keynote speech is. I do not intend in any way to suggest what should be in this meeting as a keynote of the subjects or anything like that. I have

be understood very well in analyzing the situation. And I'm not happy with all the analyses that go with just the classical theory, because nature isn't classical, dammit, and if you want to make a simulation of nature, you'd better make it quantum mechanical, and by golly it's a wonderful problem, because it doesn't look so easy. Thank you.

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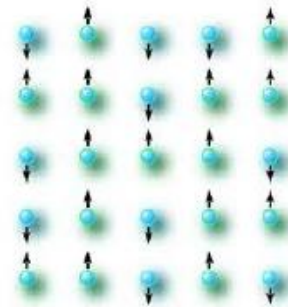
PHYSICAL SYSTEM



(Phenomenological) Hamiltonian

$$H = \dots$$

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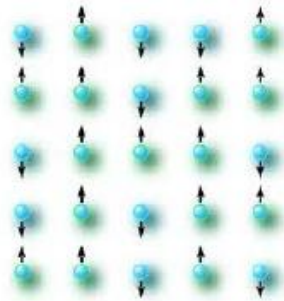


Physical Hamiltonian

$$H = \dots$$

Example: Hubbard model in 2D:
$$H = -t \sum_{k,\sigma} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + V \sum_k n_{k\uparrow} n_{k\downarrow}$$

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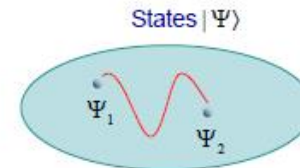
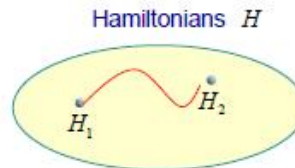


$$H = \dots$$

Questions:

- Dynamics: $|\Psi(t)\rangle = e^{-iHt} |\Psi(0)\rangle$
- Ground state: $H |\Psi_0\rangle = E_0 |\Psi_0\rangle$

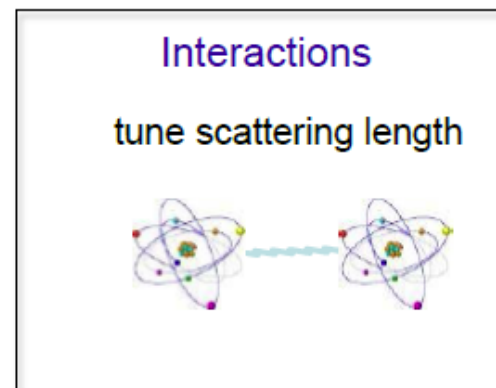
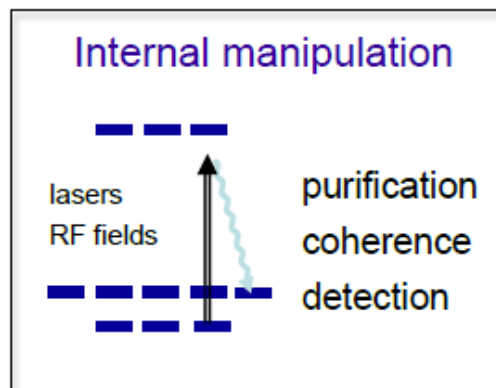
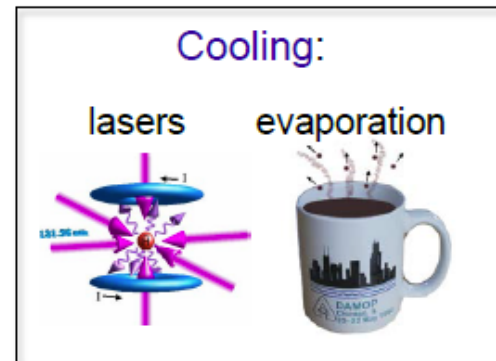
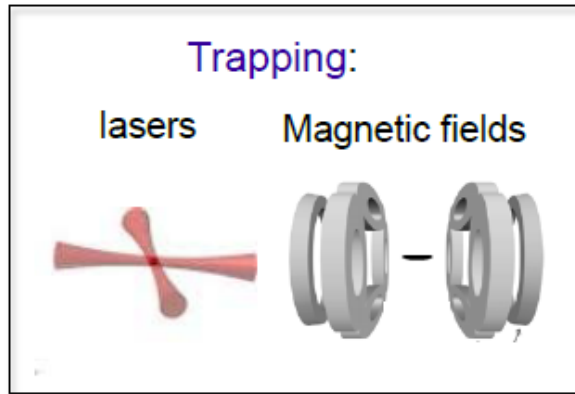
Adiabatic algorithms



- Physical properties: $\langle \sigma_n \rangle, \langle \sigma_n \sigma_m \rangle, \dots$

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- Control: External fields

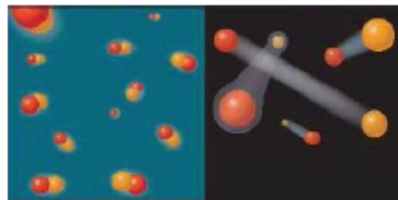
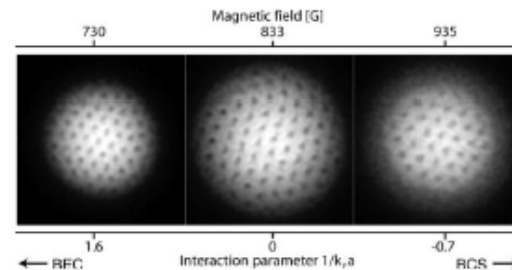
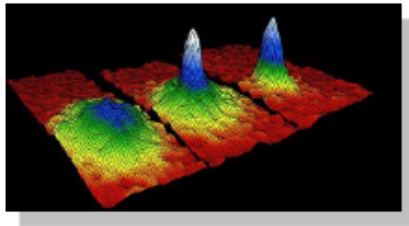


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▣ Many-body phenomena

- Degeneracy: bosons and fermions (BE/FD statistics)
- Coherence: interference, atom lasers, four-wave mixing, ...
- Superfluidity: vortices
- Disorder: Anderson localization
- Fermions: BCS-BEC

+ many other phenomena



COLD ATOMS

- Cold atoms are described by simple quantum field theories:

$$H = \int \Psi_{\sigma}^{\dagger} (-\nabla^2 + V(r)) \Psi_{\sigma} + u_{\sigma_i} \int \Psi_{\sigma_1}^{\dagger} \Psi_{\sigma_2}^{\dagger} \Psi_{\sigma_3} \Psi_{\sigma_4}$$

- We can have bosons or fermions (or both).
- We can have different internal states (spin).
- The external potential, V , and interaction coefficients, u , can be engineered using lasers, and electric and magnetic fields.
- In certain limits, one obtains effective theories that are interesting in other fields of Physics.



Quantum Simulations

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OPTICAL LATTICES

- Laser standing waves: dipole-trapping

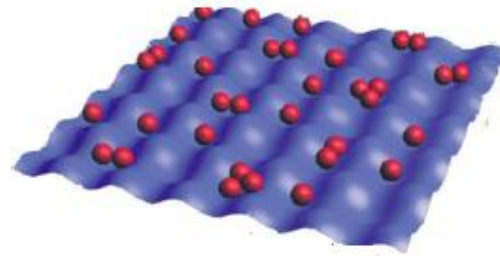
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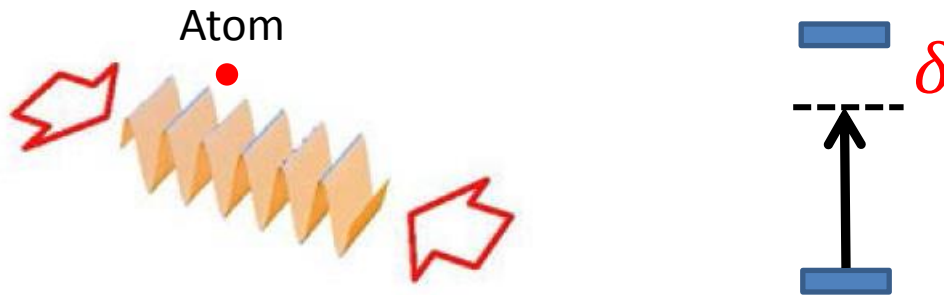
Cold Bosonic Atoms in Optical Lattices

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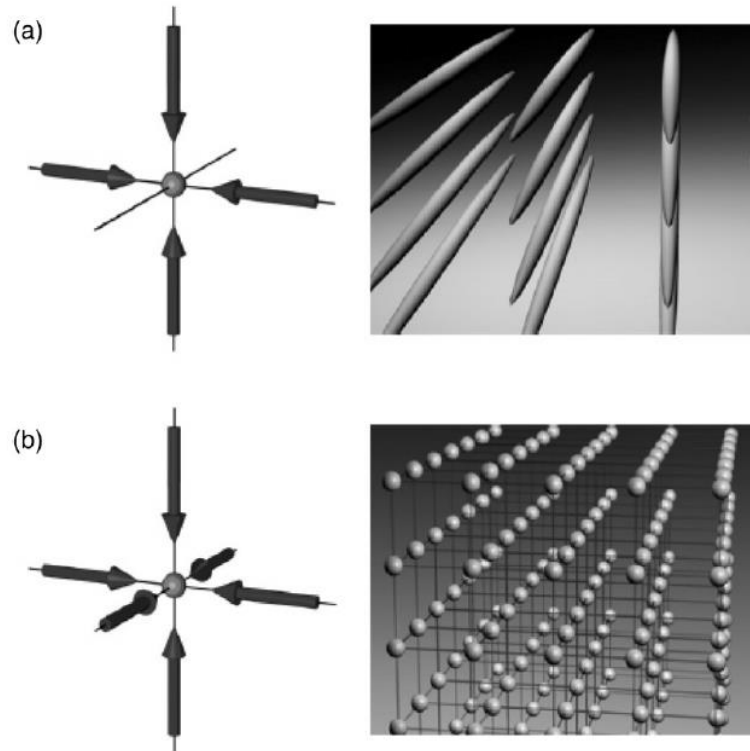
In the presence $\mathbf{E}(r, t)$ the atoms has a time dependent dipole moment $d(t) = \alpha(\omega) \mathbf{E}(r, t)$ of some non resonant excited states.

Stark effect:

$$V(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \Delta E(\mathbf{r}) = \alpha(\omega) \langle \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) \rangle / \delta$$

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OPTICAL LATTICES




- (a) 2d array of effective 1d traps
- (b) 3d square lattice

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The diagram shows a green sinusoidal wave representing a periodic potential. Red spheres representing atoms are located at the minima of the potential. A blue double-headed arrow labeled 't' indicates the hopping of an atom between adjacent sites. A label 'U' is placed above a pair of atoms occupying the same site, representing the on-site interaction energy.

Lattice theory: Bose/Fermi-Hubbard model


$$H = -t \sum_n (a_n^{\dagger} a_{n+1} + h.c.) + U \sum_n a_n^{\dagger 2} a_n^2$$

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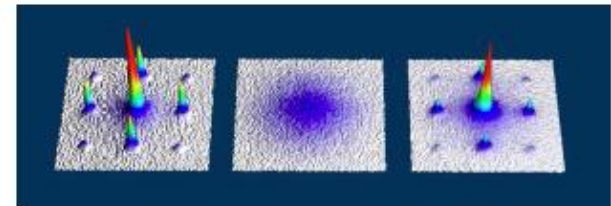
articles

Quantum phase transition from a superfluid to a Mott insulator in a gas of ultracold atoms

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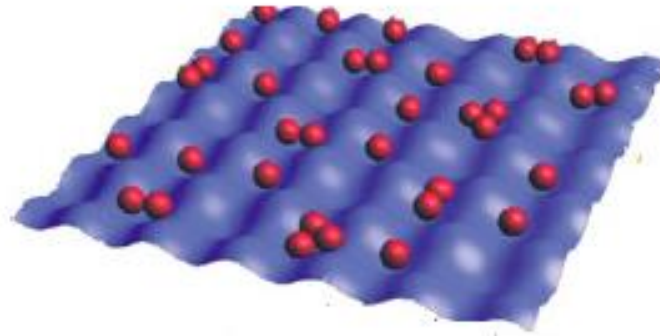
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QUANTUM SIMULATIONS



▪ Bosons/Fermions:
$$H = - \sum_{\substack{\langle n,m \rangle \\ \sigma, \sigma'}} (t_{\sigma, \sigma'} a_{n, \sigma}^\dagger a_{m, \sigma'} + h.c.) + \sum_n U_{\sigma, \sigma'} a_{n, \sigma}^\dagger a_{n, \sigma'} a_{n, \sigma} a_{n, \sigma}$$

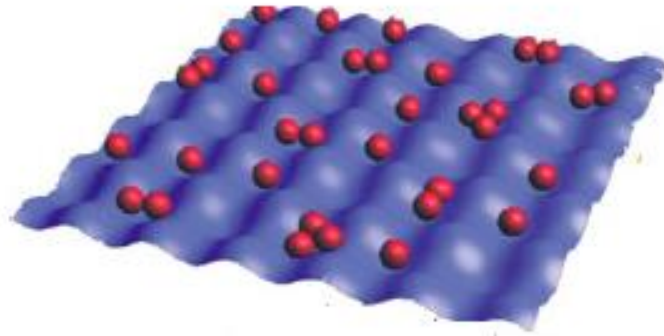
▪ Spins:
$$H = - \sum_{\substack{\langle n,m \rangle \\ \sigma, \sigma'}} (J_x S_n^x S_m^x + J_y S_n^y S_m^y + J_z S_n^z S_m^z) + \sum_n B_n S_n^z$$



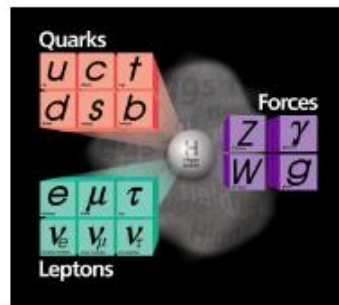
CONDENSED MATTER PHYSICS

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HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS?



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Hamiltonian formulation of Wilson's lattice gauge theories

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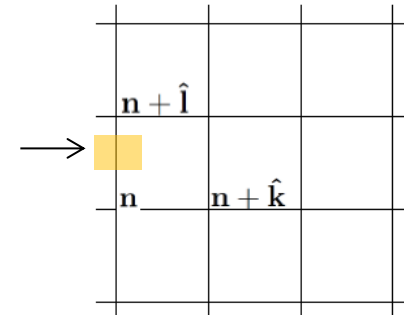
Wilson's lattice gauge model is presented as a canonical Hamiltonian theory. The structure of the model is reduced to the interactions of an infinite collection of coupled rigid rotators. The gauge-invariant configuration space consists of a collection of strings with quarks at their ends. The strings are lines of non-Abelian electric flux. In the strong-coupling limit the dynamics is best described in terms of these strings. Quark confinement is a result of the inability to break a string without producing a pair.

LATTICE GAUGE THEORIES

HAMILTONIAN FORMULATION

Gauge group elements:

U^r is an element of the gauge group (in the representation r),
on each link



Left and right generators:

$$[L_a, U^r] = T_a^r U^r \quad ; \quad [R_a, U^r] = U^r T_a^r$$

$$[L_a, L_b] = -i f_{abc} L_c \quad ; \quad [R_a, R_b] = i f_{abc} R_c \quad ; \quad [L_a, R_b] = 0$$

$$\sum_a L_a L_a = \sum_a R_a R_a \equiv \sum_a E_a E_a$$

Gauge transformation:

$$U_{\mathbf{n},k}^r \rightarrow V_{\mathbf{n}}^r U_{\mathbf{n},k}^r V_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{\mathbf{k}}}^{\dagger r}$$

Generators:

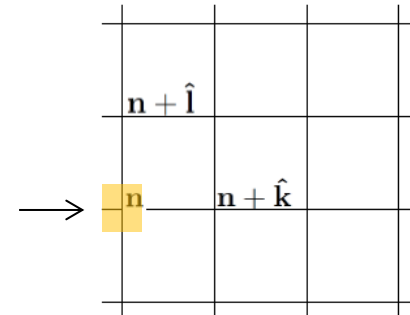
$$(G_{\mathbf{n}})_a = \text{div}_{\mathbf{n}} E_a = \sum_k \left((L_{\mathbf{n},k})_a - (R_{\mathbf{n}-\hat{\mathbf{k}},k})_a \right)$$

LATTICE GAUGE THEORIES

HAMILTONIAN FORMULATION

Matter:

$$\psi_{\mathbf{n}} = (\psi_{\mathbf{n},a}) = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\mathbf{n},1} \\ \psi_{\mathbf{n},2} \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}$$



Gauge transformation:

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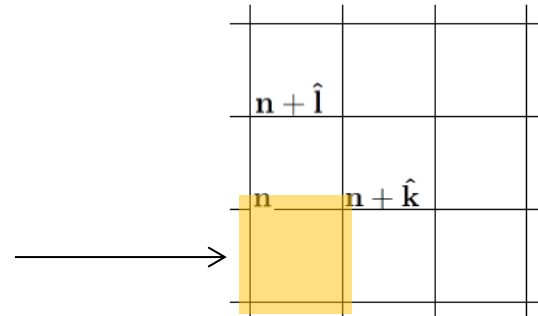
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Gauge field dynamics (Kogut-Susskind Hamiltonian):

$$H_E = \frac{g^2}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{k}, a} (E_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{k}})_a (E_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{k}})_a$$

$$H_B = -\frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \left(\text{Tr} \left(U_1 U_2 U_3^\dagger U_4^\dagger \right) + h.c. \right)$$



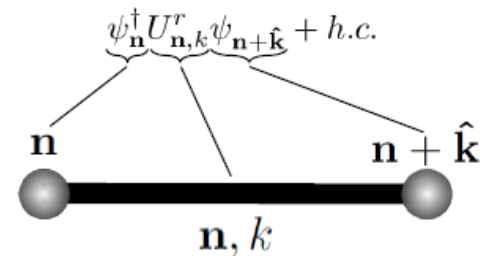
Strong coupling limit: $g \gg 1$

Weak coupling limit: $g \ll 1$

Matter dynamics:

$$H_M = \sum_{\mathbf{n}} M_{\mathbf{n}} \psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger \psi_{\mathbf{n}}$$

$$H_{int} = \epsilon \sum_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{k}} \left(\psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger U_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{k}}^r \psi_{\mathbf{n} + \hat{\mathbf{k}}} + h.c. \right)$$



LATTICE GAUGE THEORIES

EXAMPLE – cQED

Compact QED (U(1)):

$$U_{\mathbf{n},k} = e^{i\phi_{\mathbf{n},k}}$$

$$[E_{\mathbf{n},k}, \phi_{\mathbf{m},l}] = -i\delta_{\mathbf{nm}}\delta_{kl}$$

$$H_{cQED} = \frac{g^2}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{n},k} E_{\mathbf{n},k}^2 - \frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \cos \left(\phi_{\mathbf{n},1} + \phi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{1},2} - \phi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{2},1} - \phi_{\mathbf{n},2} \right) + \epsilon \sum_{\mathbf{n},k} \left(\psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger e^{i\phi_{\mathbf{n},k}} \psi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{k}} + \psi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{k}}^\dagger e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{n},k}} \psi_{\mathbf{n}} \right) + M \sum_{\mathbf{n}} (-1)^n \psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger \psi_{\mathbf{n}}$$

Magnetic energy

↓

Electric energy

↑

Gauge-Matter interaction

↑

Mass term

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GAUGE THEORIES

- **Continuum fields**

Thirring, Gross-Neveu, I. Cirac, P. Maraner and J. K. Pachos, PRL, **105**, 19403 (2010)

Continuum QED, E. Kapit and E. Mueller, Phys. Rev. A **83**, 033625 (2011)

Abelian local gauge symmetry

2+1, (3+1), U(1) Kogut-Susskind

Pure gauge – E. Zohar and B. Reznik, PRL **107**, 275301 (2011)

Pure gauge – truncated – E. Zohar, J. I. Cirac and B. R., PRL **109**, 125302 (2012)

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- **Full cQED** – E. Zohar, J. I. Cirac and B. Reznik, arxiv 1303.5040, Phys. Rev. A

2+1 U(1) gauge magnets

L. Tagliacozzo, A. Celi, A. Zamora and M. Lewenstein, Ann. Phys. **330**, 160 (2013) (digital s.)

1+1 U(1) link models

Cold Atoms – D. Banerjee, M. Dalmonte, M. Mueller, E. Rico, P. Stebler, U.-J. Wiese and P. Zoller, PRL **109**, 175302 (2012) (and 2+1 in the strong coupling)

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Ions – P. Hauke, D. Marcos, M. Dalmonte and P. Zoller, arxiv 1306.2162

- Gauge symmetry connected with angular momentum conservation.

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Discrete groups: 2+1, 3+1 $Z(N)$

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Ann. Phys. **330**, 160 (2013) , ($Z(2)$ digital s.)

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Non-abelian

Kogut-Susskind $SU(2)$ Yang Mills , 1+1, (2+1) D

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Non-abelian link models, 1+1 D

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$SU(2)$ gauge magnets, 2+1, digital simulation

L. Tagliacozzo, A. Celi, P. Orland, M. Lewenstein, arxiv 1211.2704

Quantum computation

Scattering probabilities for scalar fields: S. P. Jordan, K. S. M. Lee and J. Preskill,
Science **336**, 1130 (2012)

- Gauge symmetry connected with angular momentum conservation.

Requirements: HEP models

- Fields

 - Fermion Matter fields

 - Bosonic gauge fields

- Local gauge invariance

 - Exact, or low energy, effective

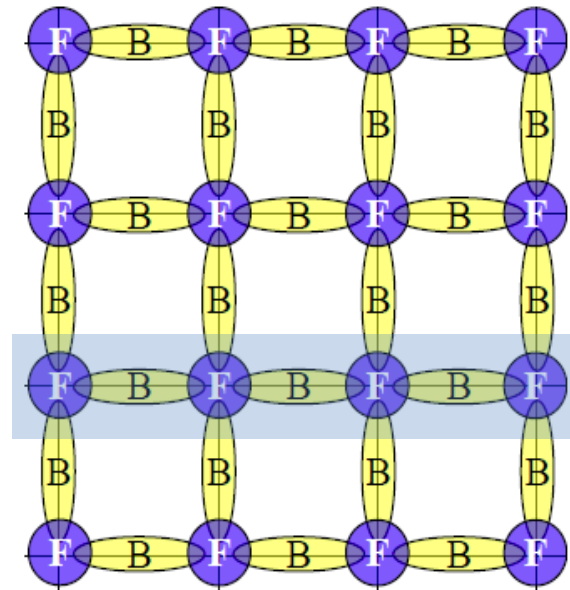
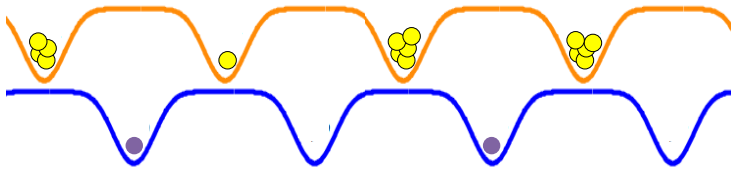
- Relativistic invariance

 - Causal structure, in the continuum limit

QUANTUM SIMULATION COLD ATOMS

- Fermion matter fields
- Bosonic gauge fields

Superlattices:



$$\psi_{\mathbf{n}} = (\psi_{\mathbf{n},a}) = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\mathbf{n},1} \\ \psi_{\mathbf{n},2} \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \text{Atom internal levels}$$

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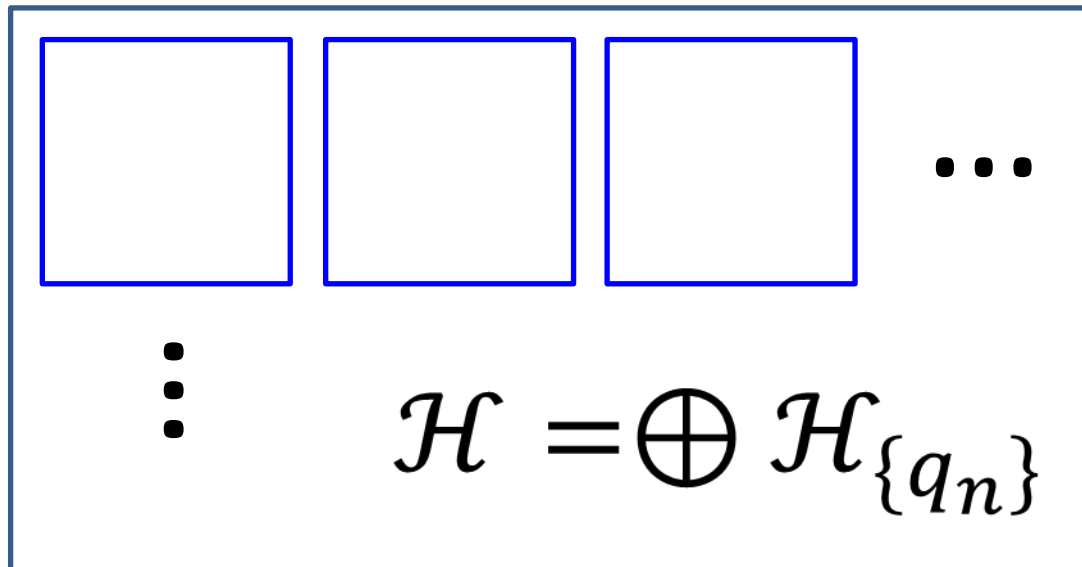
LOCAL GAUGE INVARIANCE

- Generators of gauge transformations:

$$(G_{\mathbf{n}})_a = \text{div}_{\mathbf{n}} E_a - Q_{\mathbf{n}}$$

$$G_{\mathbf{n}} |phys\rangle = q_{\mathbf{n}} |phys\rangle$$

$$[G_{\mathbf{n}}, H] = 0$$



A diagram illustrating the decomposition of a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} . It features a large blue-bordered rectangle containing three smaller blue-bordered squares in a row, followed by an ellipsis. Below the squares is a vertical ellipsis and the equation $\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus \mathcal{H}_{\{q_{\mathbf{n}}\}}$.

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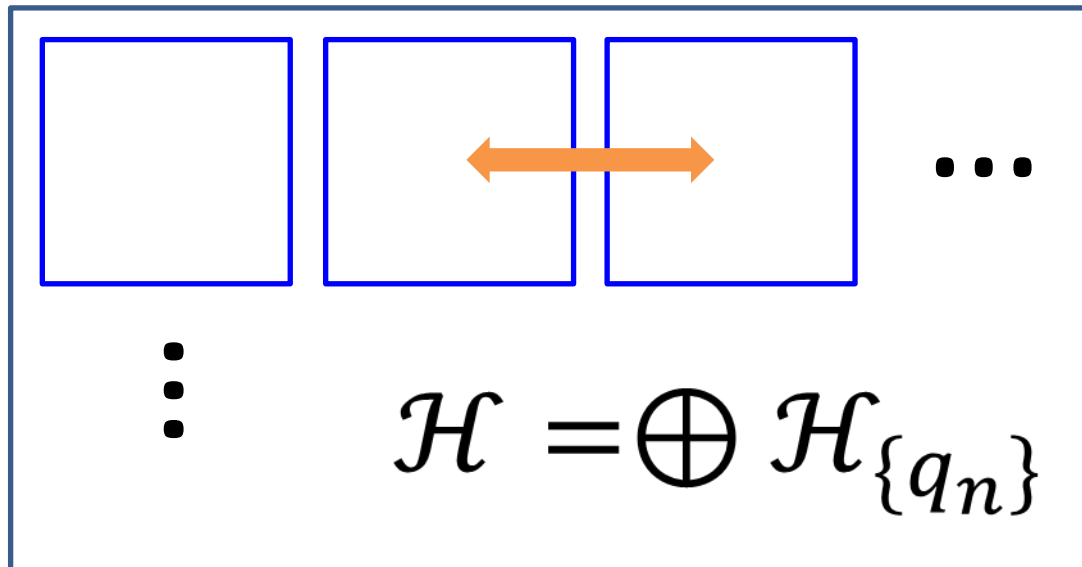
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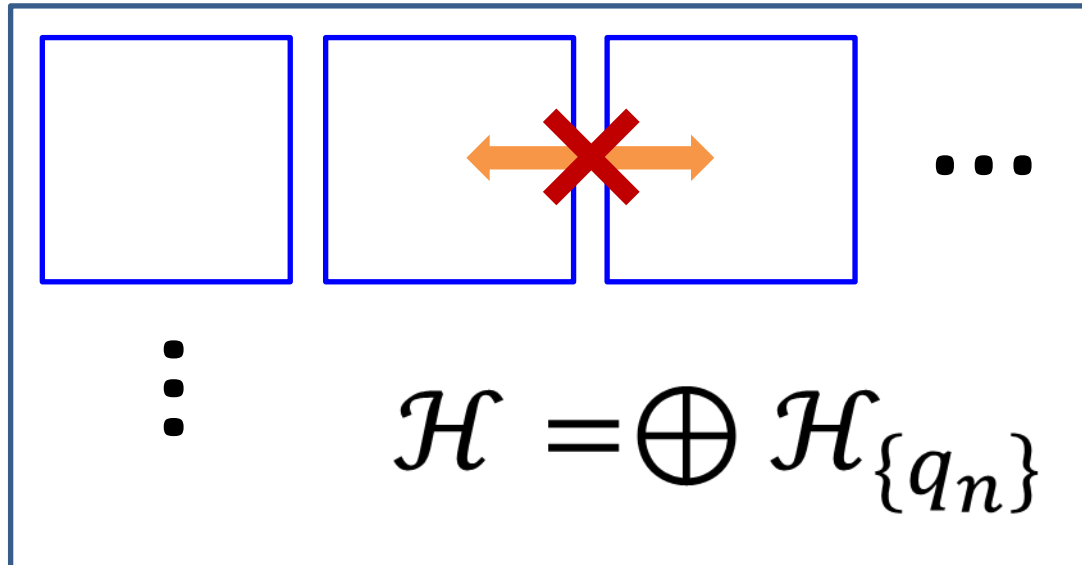
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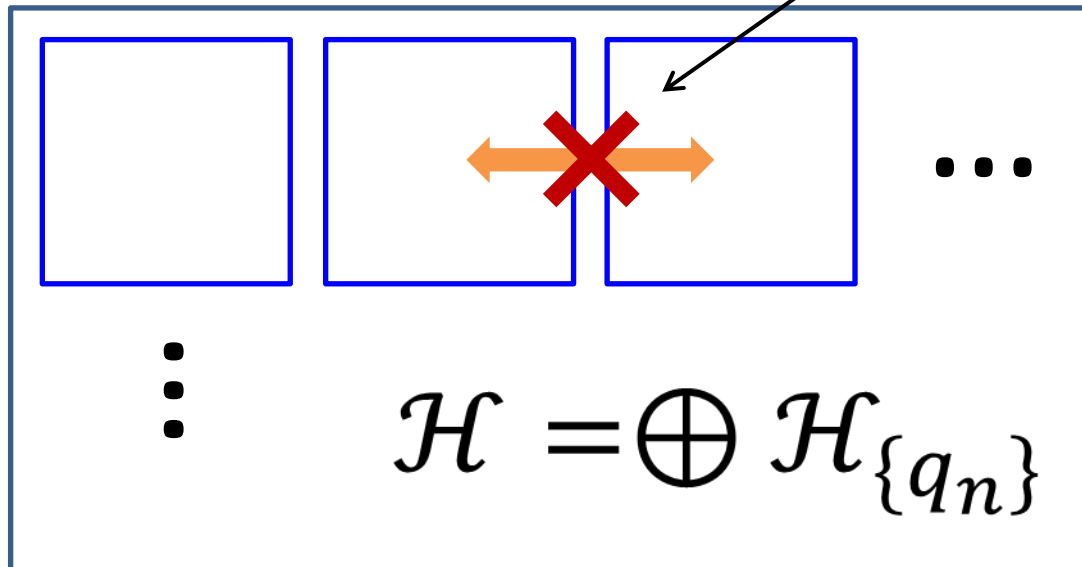
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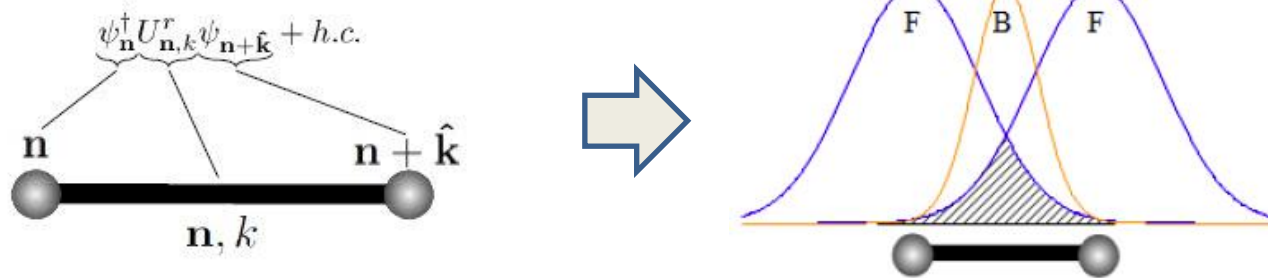
Gauge invariance –

- Low energy, effective**
- Exact symmetry**

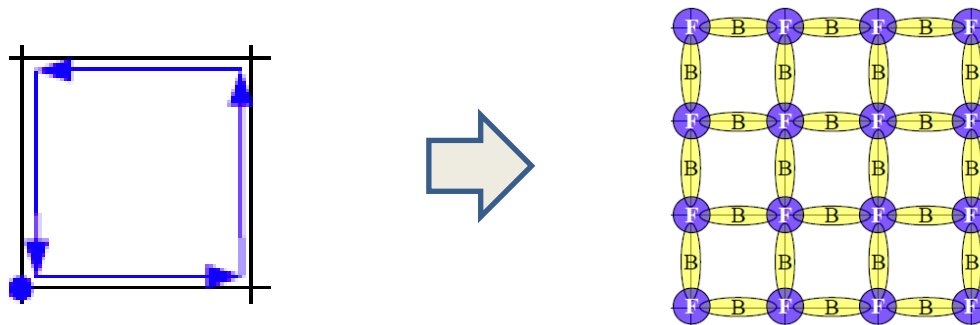


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LOCAL GAUGE INVARIANCE



- Links \leftrightarrow atomic scattering : gauge invariance is a fundamental symmetry

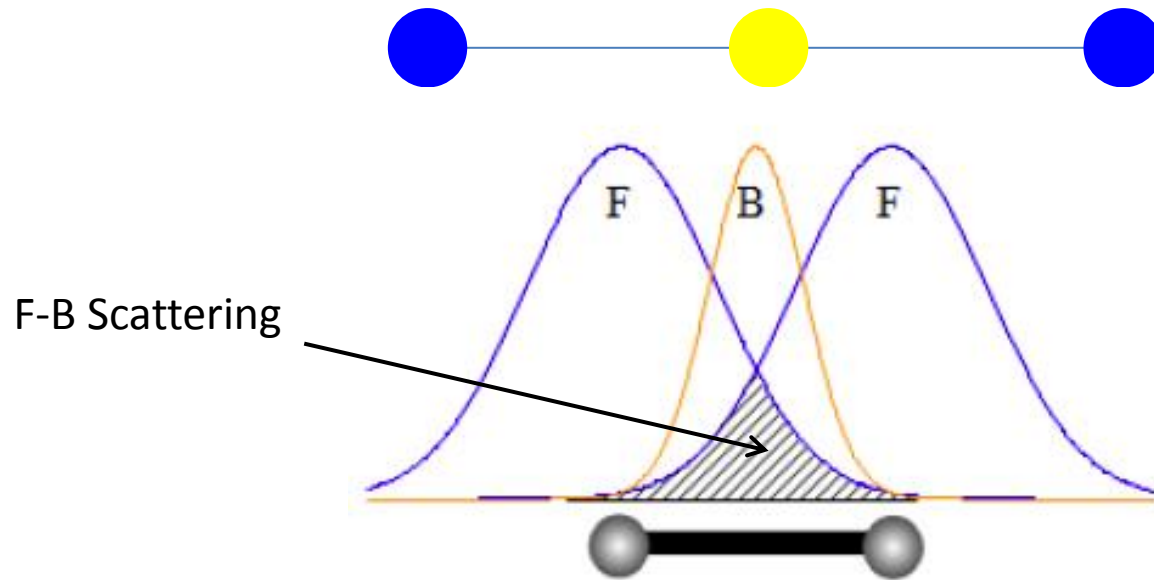


- Plaquettes \leftrightarrow gauge invariant links \leftrightarrow virtual loops of ancillary fermions.

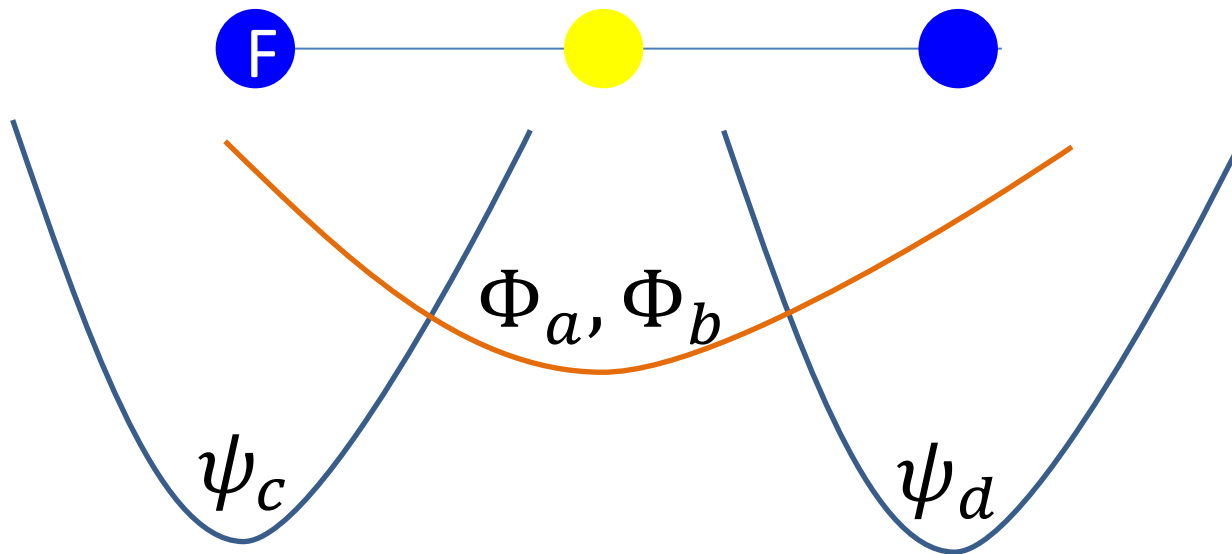
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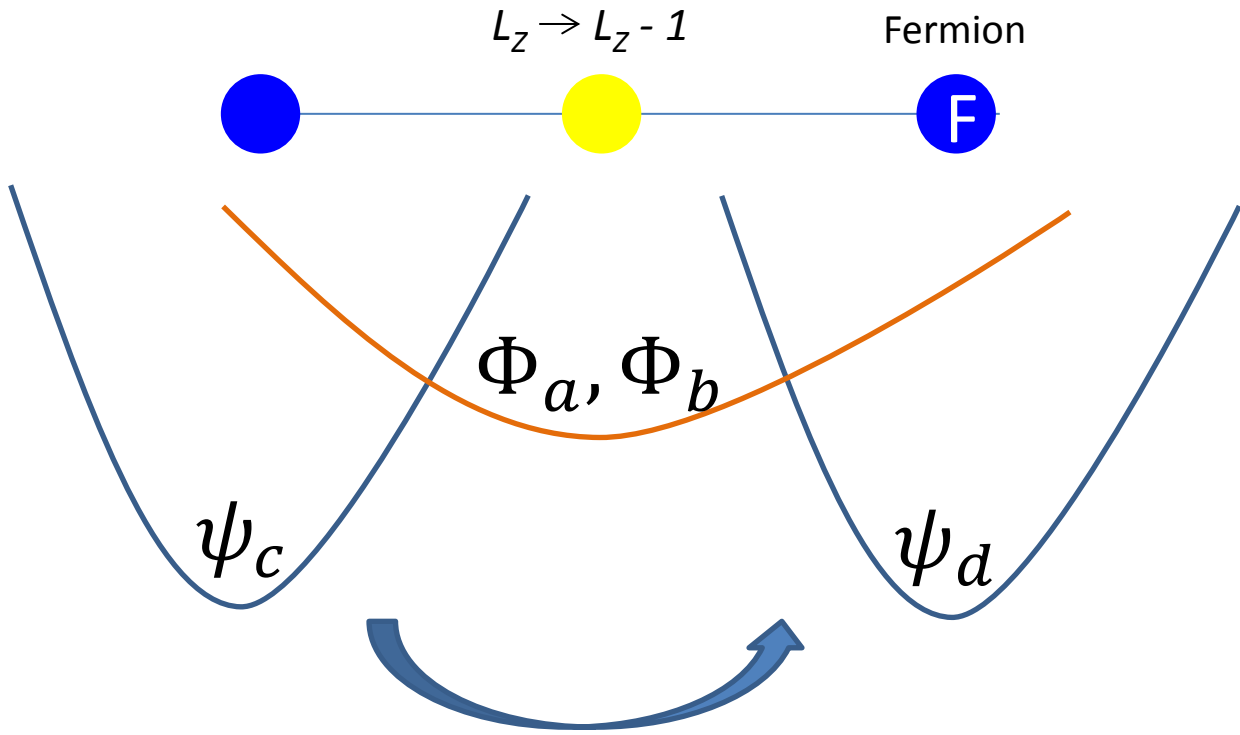
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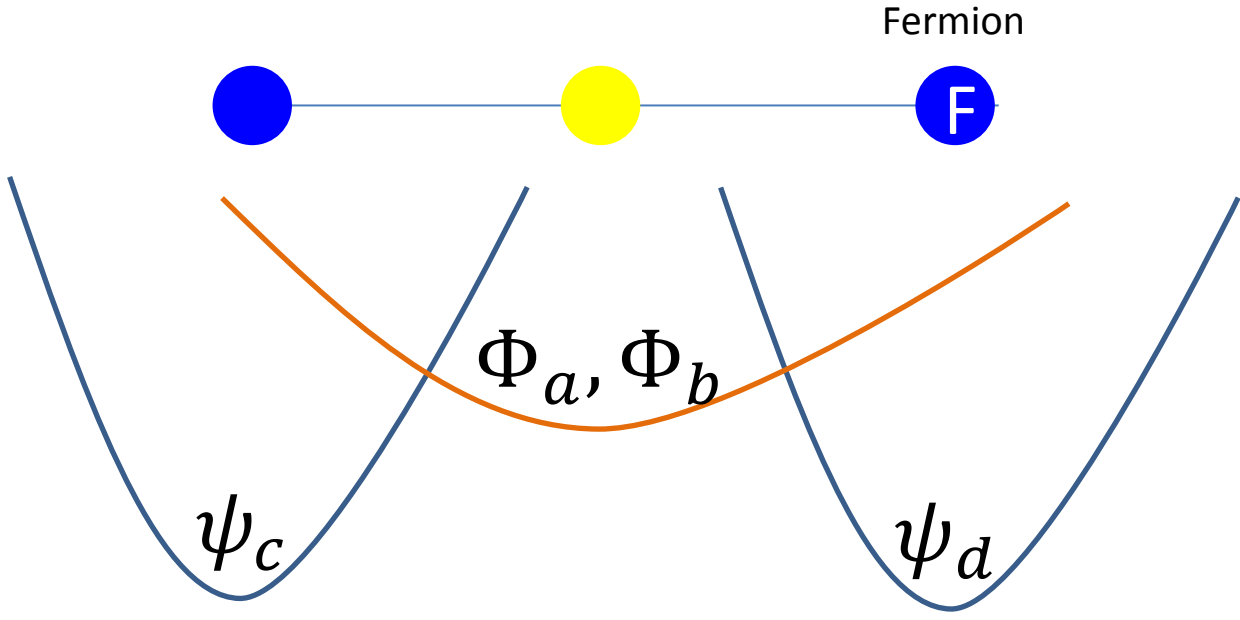
EXAMPLE : cQED

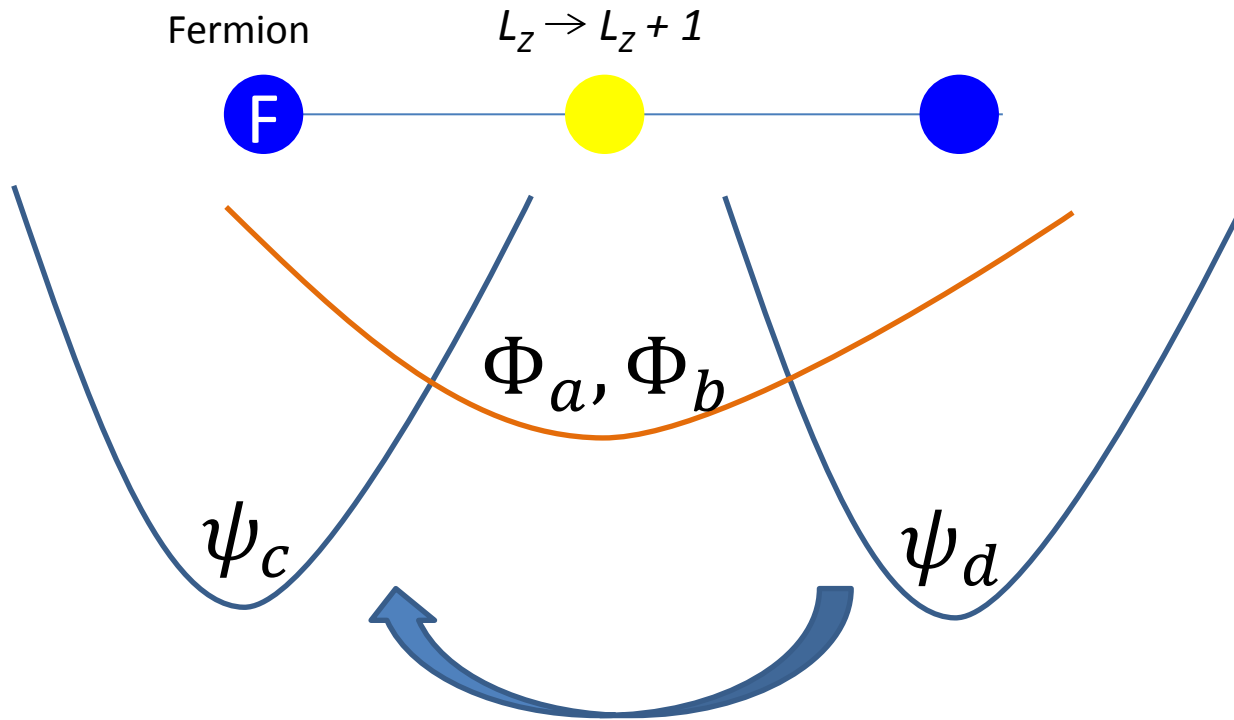


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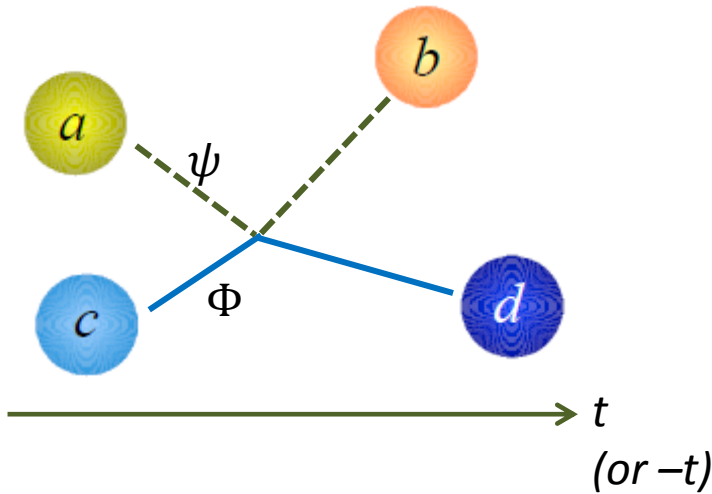






ANGULAR MOMENTUM CONSERVATION

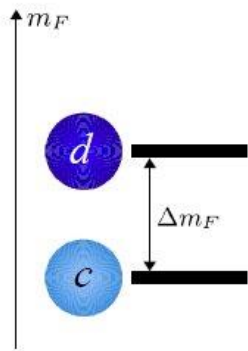
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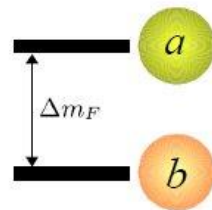
Hyperfine angular momentum conservation in atomic scattering.

$$\int d^3x \Psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{x}) \Psi_{\beta}(\mathbf{x}) \Phi_{\gamma}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{x}) \Phi_{\delta}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$m_F(a) + m_F(c) = m_F(b) + m_F(d)$$

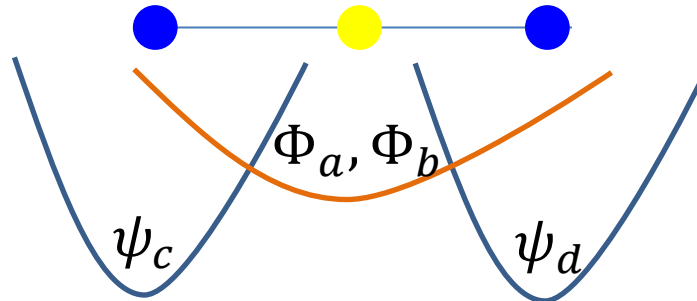


Fermionic atoms



Bosonic atoms

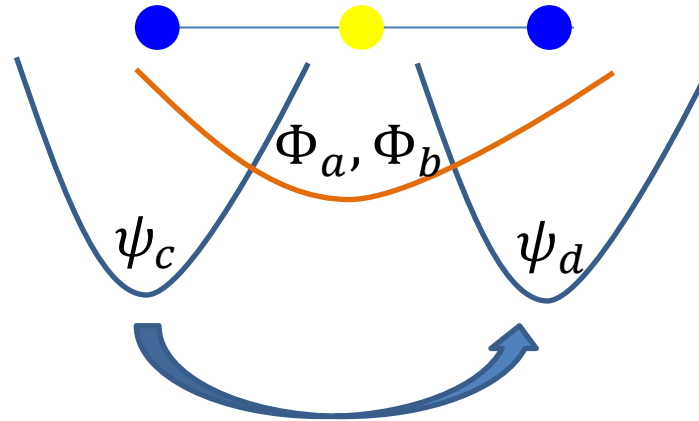
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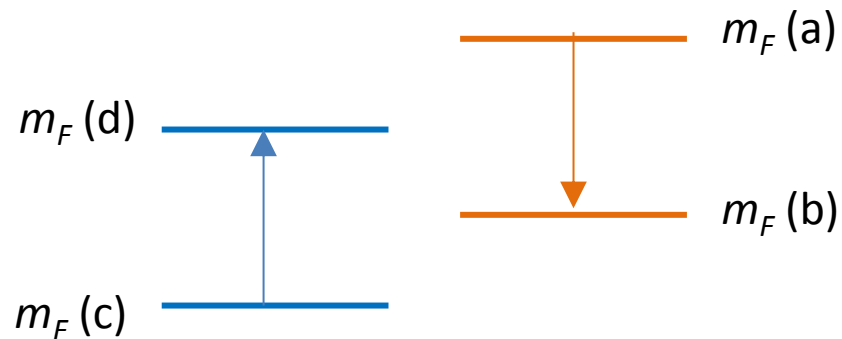
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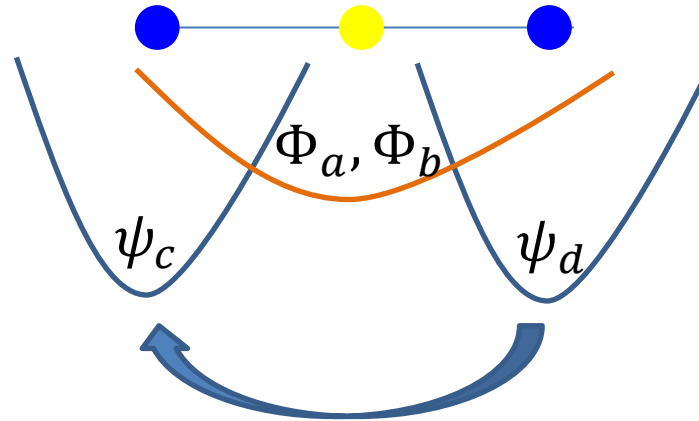
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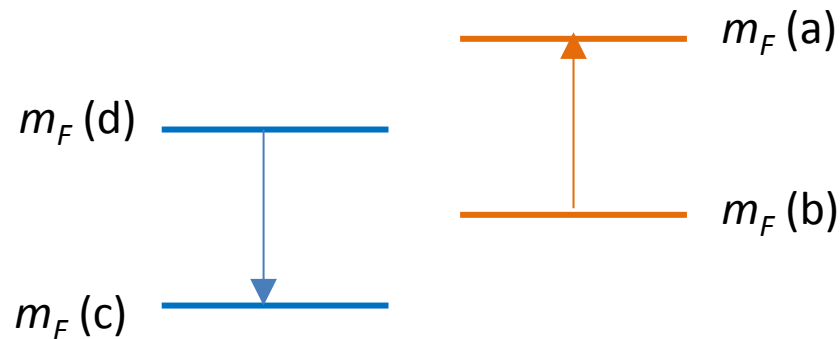
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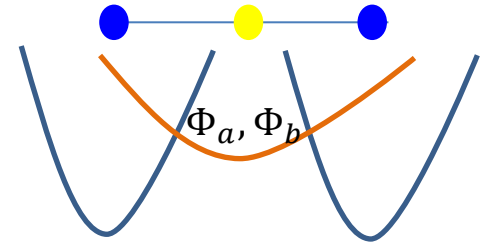


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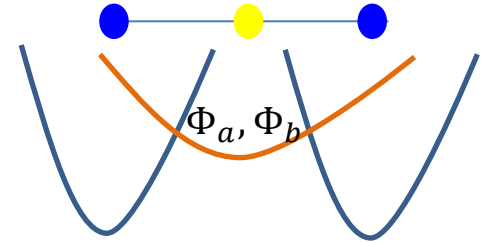


$$\psi_c^\dagger L_+ \psi_d \sim \psi_c^\dagger e^{i\theta} \psi_d$$



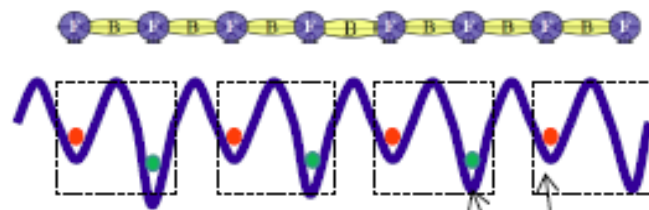
where for large l , $m \ll l$

$$L_+ \sim e^{i(\phi_1 - \phi_2)} \equiv e^{i\theta}$$



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DYNAMICAL FERMIONS 1+1



$$H_M = M \sum_n (-1)^n \psi_n^\dagger \psi_n$$

internal states



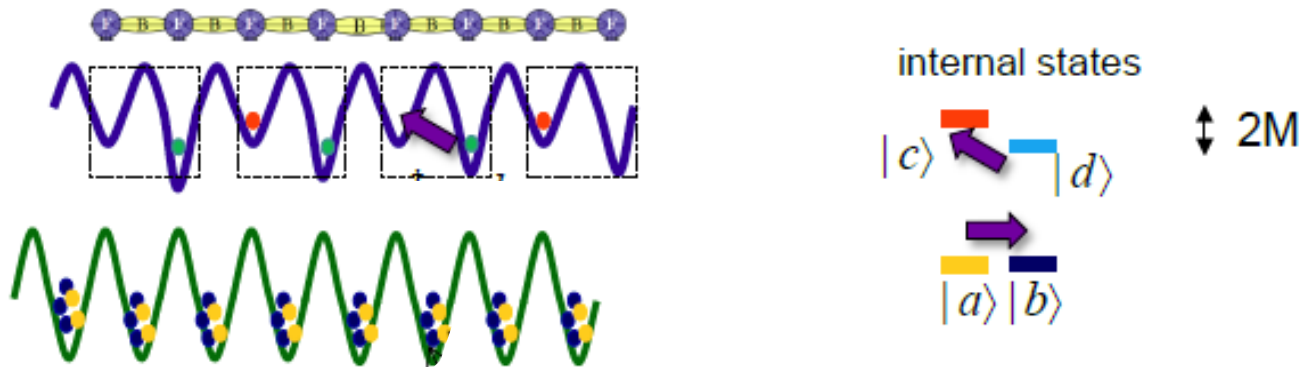
$$\{c_n, c_n^\dagger\} = \{d_n, d_n^\dagger\} = 1$$

Staggered Fermions:

L. Susskind, Phys. Rev. D 16, 3031 (1977).

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SCHWINGER MODEL 1+1



$$\frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{l(l+1)}} \sum_n (\psi_n^\dagger L_{+,n} \psi_{n+1} + h.c.)$$

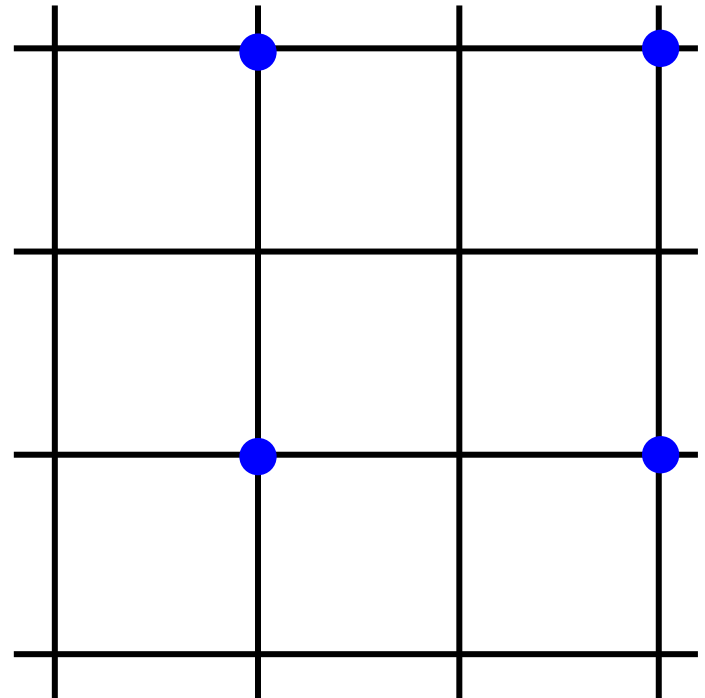
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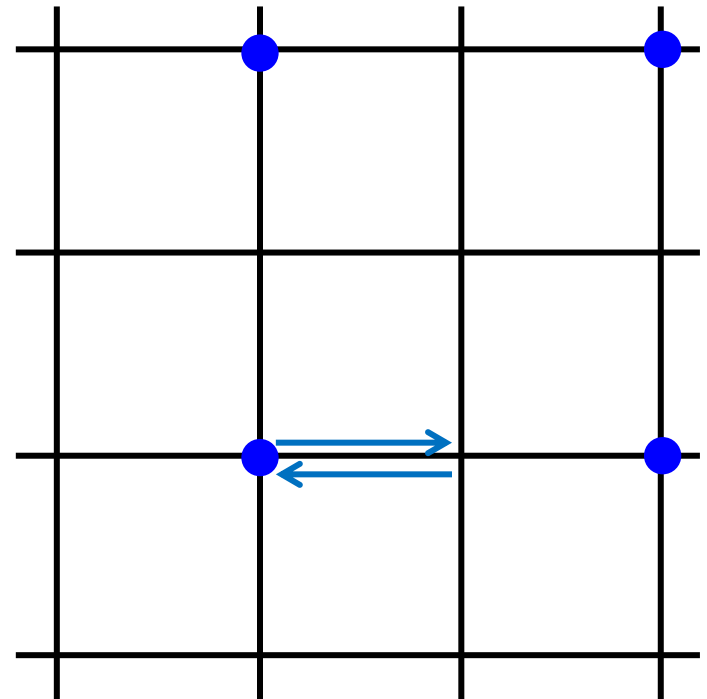


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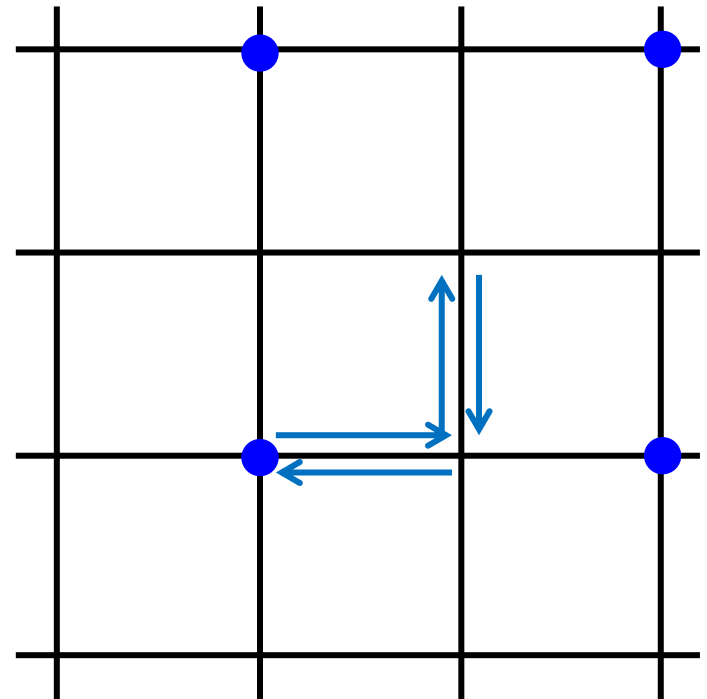


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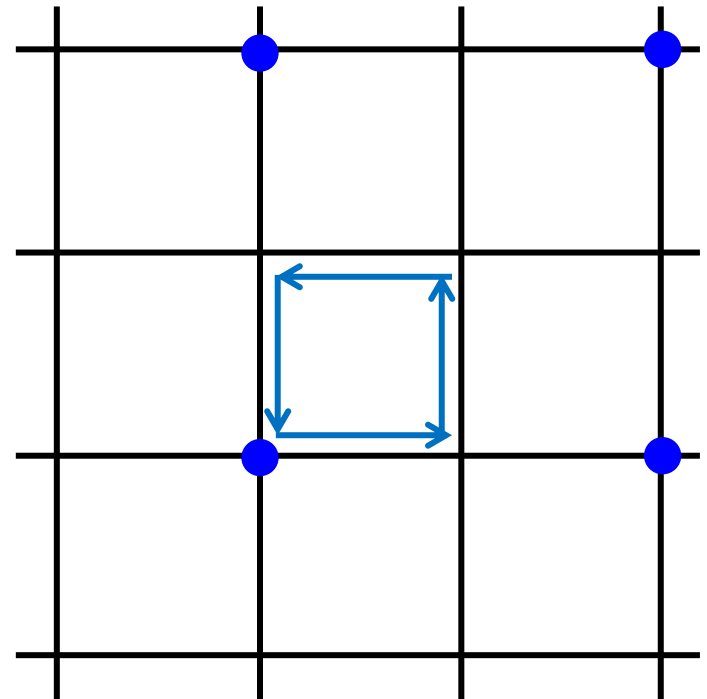
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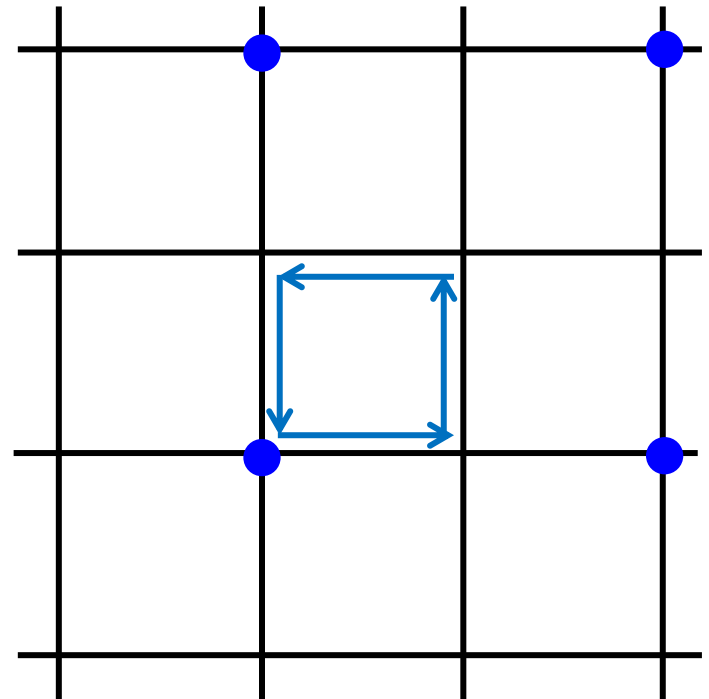
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OKAY for: **discrete, abelian**
& non-abelian groups



QUANTUM SIMULATION

Example: U(1) PLAQUETTES

$$H_B = -\frac{2\epsilon^4}{\lambda^3} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \left(U_{\mathbf{n},1} U_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{1},2} U_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{2},1}^\dagger U_{\mathbf{n},2}^\dagger + h.c. \right) =$$
$$-\frac{4\epsilon^4}{\lambda^3} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \cos \left(\phi_{\mathbf{n},1} + \phi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{1},2} - \phi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{2},1} - \phi_{\mathbf{n},2} \right)$$

λ is the “energy penalty” of the auxiliary fermion
 ϵ is the “link tunneling energy”.

QUANTUM SIMULATION

Example: Z(N) PLAQUETTES

- Abelian *discrete* gauge theory: the gauge field degrees of freedom operate in a finite Hilbert space

$$P^N = Q^N = 1 \quad ; \quad P^\dagger Q P = e^{i\delta} Q$$

$$P \sim e^{iE}$$

$$Q \sim e^{iA}$$

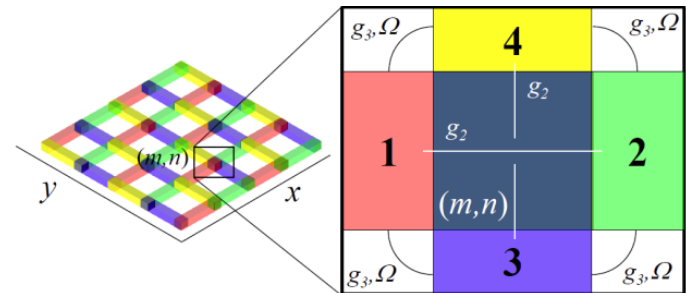
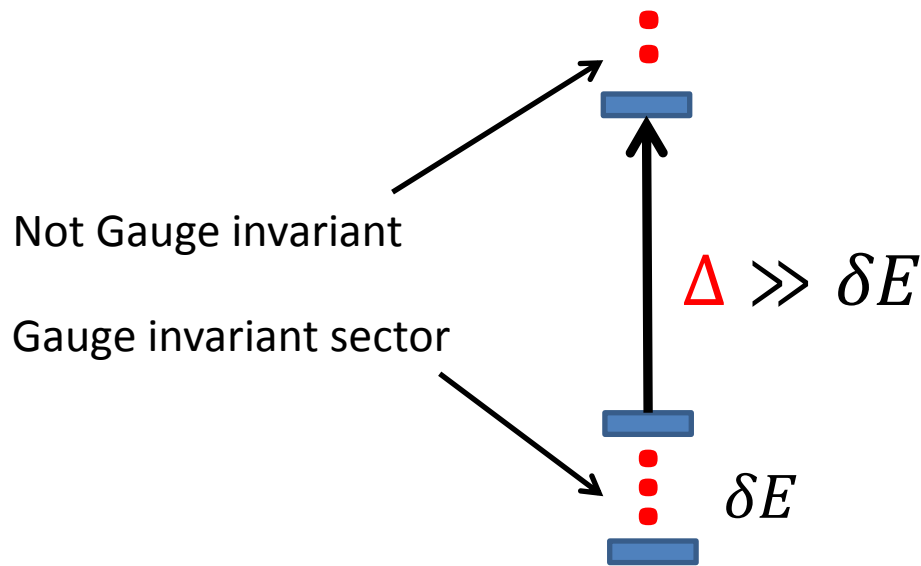
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PLAQUETTES – effective

Gauss's law is added as a constraint. Leaving the gauge invariant sector of Hilbert space costs too much Energy.

Low energy sector with a effective gauge invariant Hamiltonian.

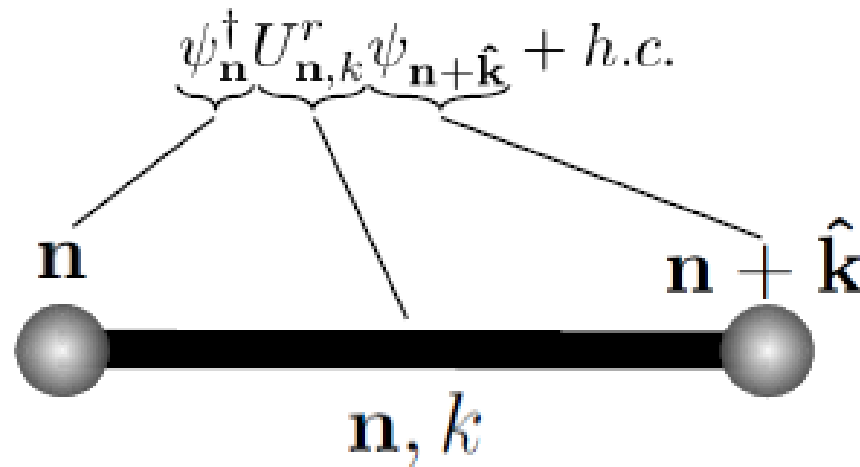


NON ABELIAN MODELS

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QUANTUM SIMULATIONS OF NONABELIAN MODELS

GENERAL STRUCTURE



U^r is an element of the gauge group (in the representation r)

$$\psi_{\mathbf{n}} = (\psi_{\mathbf{n},a}) = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\mathbf{n},1} \\ \psi_{\mathbf{n},2} \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

SCHWINGER REPRESENTATION: SU(2)

PRE-POTENTIAL APPROACH

On each link – $a_{1,2}$ bosons on the left, $b_{1,2}$ bosons on the right

$$L_a = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l} a_k^\dagger (\sigma_a)_{lk} a_l ; R_a = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l} b_k^\dagger (\sigma_a)_{kl} b_l$$
$$[L_{n,a}, L_{n,b}] = -i\epsilon_{abc} L_{n,c} ; [R_{n,a}, R_{n,b}] = i\epsilon_{abc} R_{n,c}$$

In the fundamental representation -

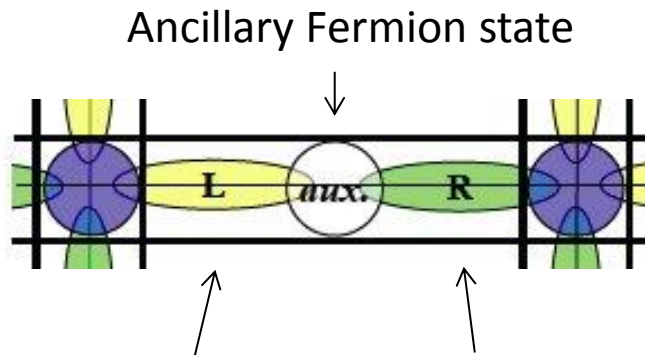
$$U_L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_L + 1}} \begin{pmatrix} a_1^\dagger & -a_2 \\ a_2^\dagger & a_1 \end{pmatrix} ; U_R = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^\dagger & b_2^\dagger \\ -b_2 & b_1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_R + 1}}$$

$$U = U_L U_R$$

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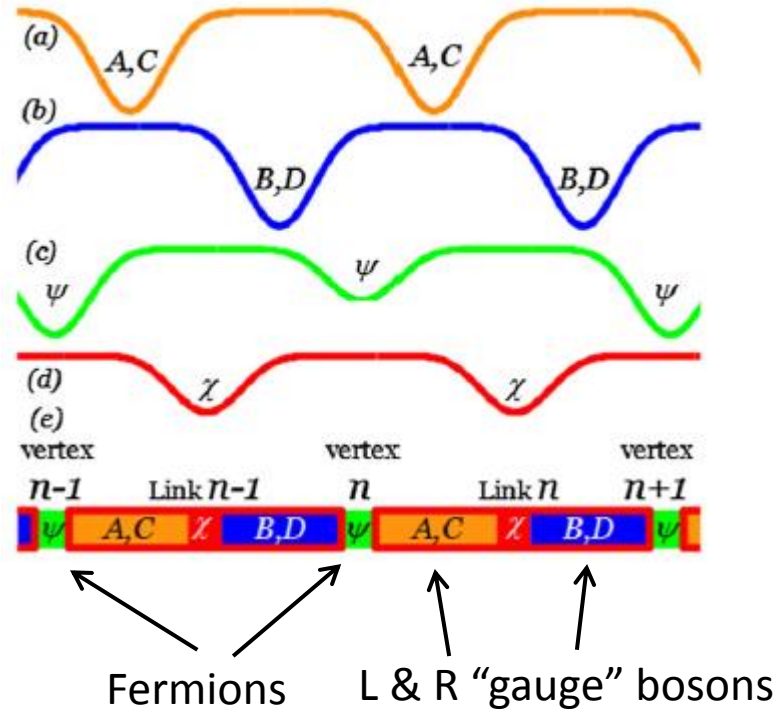


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QUANTUM SIMULATION EXAMPLE: SU(2) IN 1+1

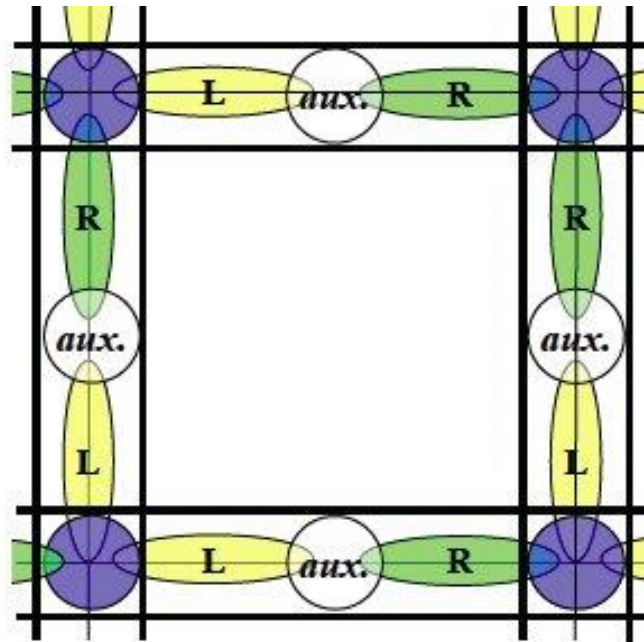
Superlattices →



$$\sum_{n,i,j} \left(\sqrt{N_{L,n} + 1} (\psi_n^\dagger)_i (U_{L,n})_{ij} (\chi_n)_j + (\chi_n^\dagger)_i (U_{R,n})_{ij} (\psi_{n+1})_j \sqrt{N_{R,n} + 1} + h.c. \right)$$

QUANTUM SIMULATIONS OF NONABELIAN MODELS

GENERAL STRUCTURE



Each link has *left* and *right* degrees of freedom – forming together $SU(N)$ elements. The “relative rotation” corresponds to the non-abelian charge on the link.

QUANTUM SIMULATION OF NON ABELIAN THEORIES

CHALLENGES

- The link's J quantum number (SU2 representation) is a dynamical

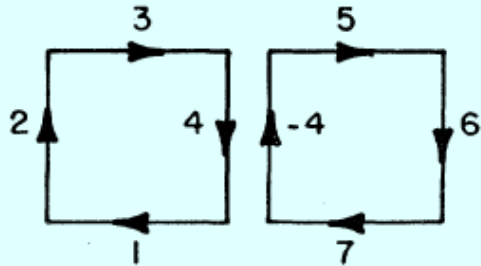


FIG. 6. Product of boxes with an overlapping link.

Kogut and Susskind, PRD 1975

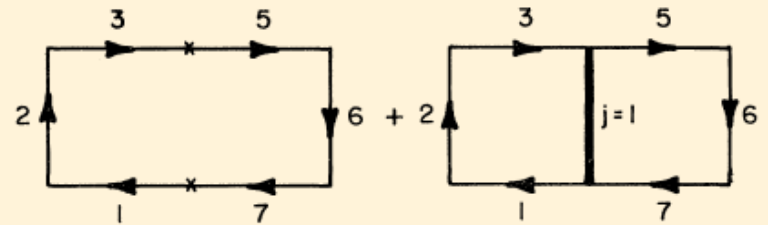


FIG. 7. Replacing the flux in link 4 of Fig. 6 by $j=0$ and $j=1$ flux lines.

- How to obtain links enabling large values of J ?
- How to obtain plaquettes when one truncates J ?

So far only methods for *strong limit* simulations are known – including the 1+1 non-abelian generalization of the Schwinger model.

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COLD ATOMS – EXPERIMENTS

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Experimental Demonstration of Single-Site Addressability in a Two-Dimensional Optical Lattice

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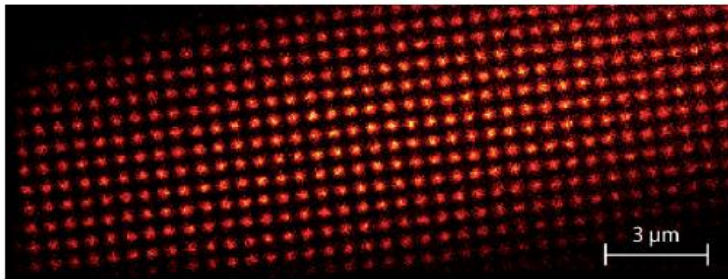


FIG. 1 (color online). Electron microscope image of a Bose-Einstein condensate in a 2D optical lattice with 600 nm lattice spacing (sum obtained from 260 individual experimental realizations). Each site has a tubelike shape with an extension of $6 \mu\text{m}$ perpendicular to the plane of projection. The central lattice sites contain about 80 atoms.

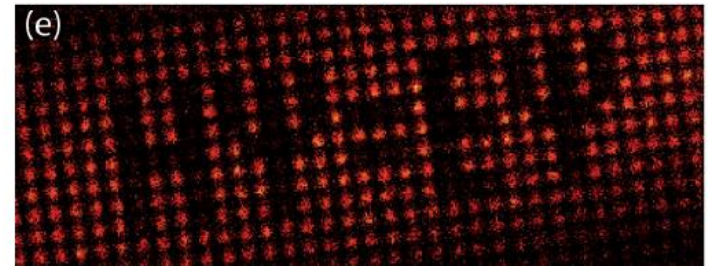


FIG. 2 (color online). Patterning a Bose-Einstein condensate in a 2D optical lattice with a spacing of 600 nm. Every emptied site was illuminated with the electron beam (7 nA beam current, 100 nm FWHM beam diameter) for (a),(b) 3, (c),(d) 2, and (e) 1.5 ms, respectively. The imaging time was 45 ms. Between 150 and 250 images from individual experimental realizations have been summed for each pattern.

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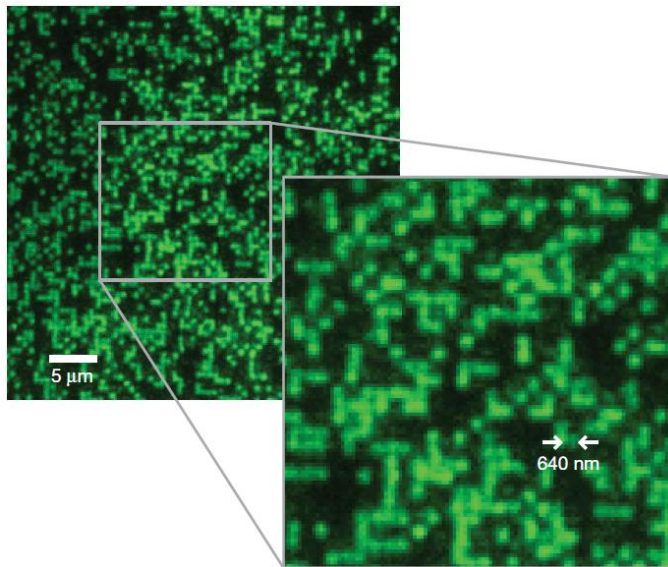


Figure 3 | Site-resolved imaging of single atoms on a 640-nm-period optical lattice, loaded with a high density Bose–Einstein condensate. Inset, magnified view of the central section of the picture. The lattice structure and the discrete atoms are clearly visible. Owing to light-assisted collisions and molecule formation on multiply occupied sites during imaging, only empty and singly occupied sites can be seen in the image.

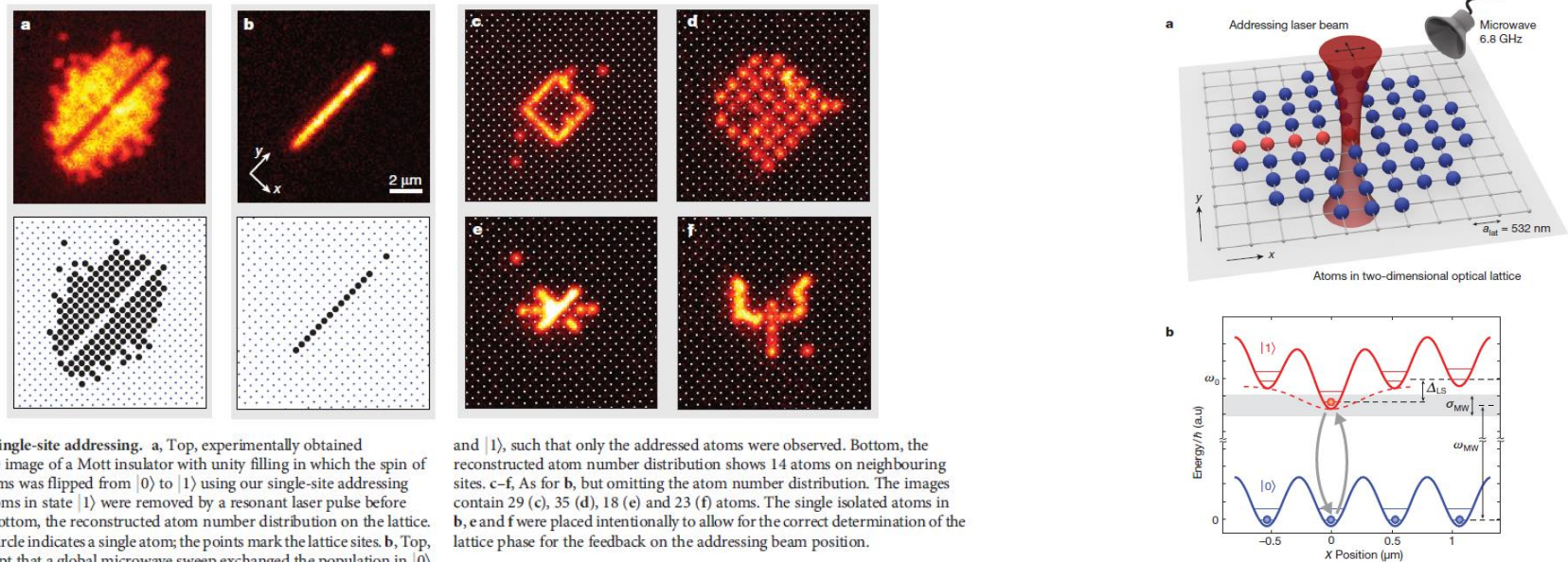
mined through preparation and measurement. By implementing a high-resolution optical imaging system, single atoms are detected with near-unity fidelity on individual sites of a Hubbard-regime optical lattice. The lattice itself is generated by projecting a holographic mask through the imaging system. It has an arbitrary geometry, chosen to support both strong tunnel coupling between lattice sites and strong on-site confinement. Our approach can be

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Single-spin addressing in an atomic Mott insulator

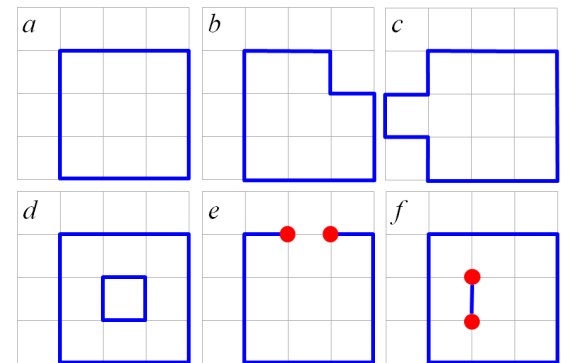
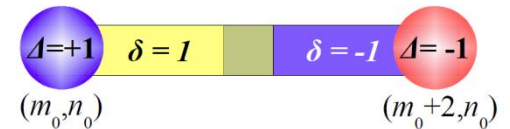
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MEASUREMENTS

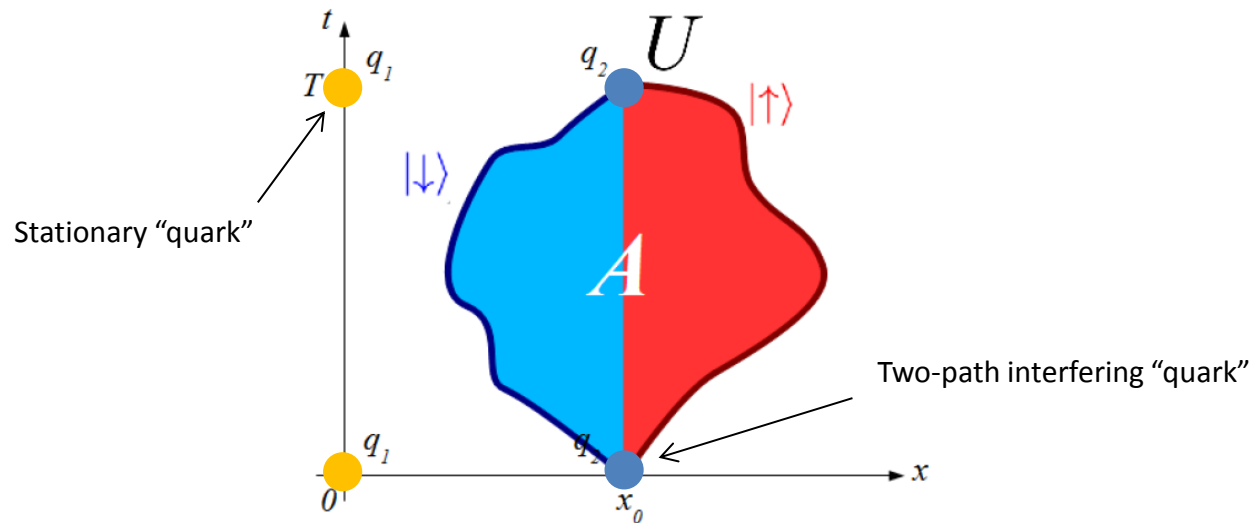
- Preparation of initial states
 - Various regimes and charge distributions (single addressing)
- Tunable parameters
 - (Feshbach resonances, tunneling rates, Raman lasers)
- Dynamical *real time* evolution
 - Confinement of dynamic charges
 - Flux tubes/loops breaking
 - Pair production, vacuum instability
 - ...
- Non-perturbative physics
- Probing phase transitions
- Finite chemical potential, Finite temperature, ...
Color superconductivity, Quark-Gluon plasma??



EXAMPLE

WILSON LOOP MEASUREMENTS

$$W(C) = P \left(e^{i \oint_C A_\mu dx^\mu} \right)$$







Detecting Wilson Loop's area law by
interference of "Mesons".

This is equivalent to Ramsey Spectroscopy in quantum optics!

QUANTUM SIMULATIONS

OUR PROPOSALS

Theory	1+1 with matter	d+1 Pure	d+1 with matter
U(1) - cQED 	K.S. (or truncated)	K.S. (or truncated)	K.S. (or truncated)
Z(N)			
SU(2) – Yang Mills	Low energy states	Strong limit	Strong limit

K.S. := Kogut Susskind Hamiltonian LGT formalism

CONFINEMENT

TOY MODELS

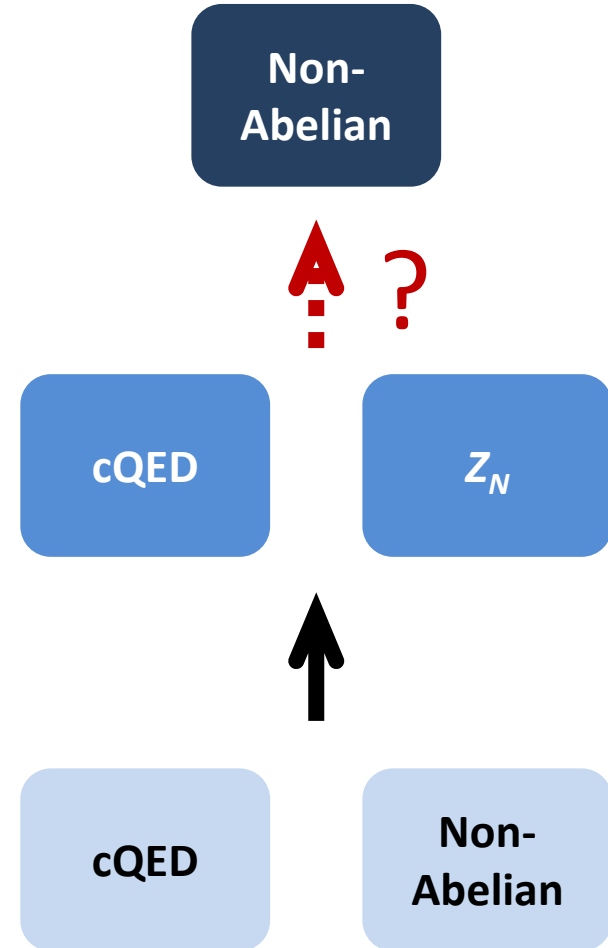
- 1+1D: Schwinger's model.
- cQED: 2+1D: no phase transition
Instantons give rise to confinement at $g < 1$ (Polyakov).
(For $T > 0$: there is a phase transition also in 2+1D.)
- cQED: 3+1D: phase transition between a strong coupling confining phase, and a weak coupling coulomb phase.
- $Z(N)$: for $N \geq N_c$: Three phases: electric confinement, magnetic confinement, and non confinement.

OUTLOOK

Non Abelian in Higher Dimensions

Plaquettes in 2+1 and 3+1
Abelian , cQED and $Z(N)$

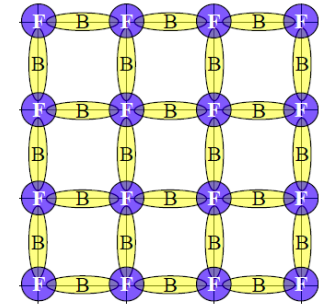
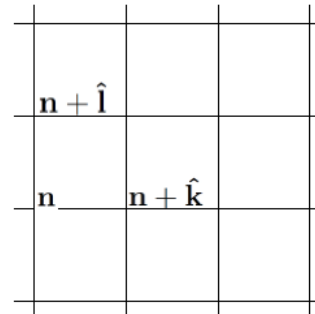
“Proof of principle” 1+1 toy models
Numerical comparison with DMRG



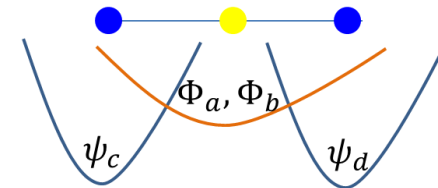
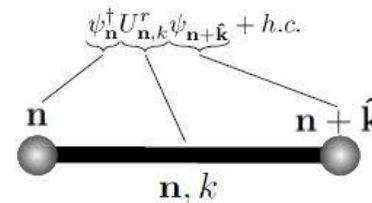
Decoherence, superlattices, scattering parameters control...

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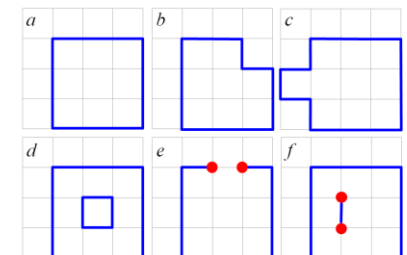
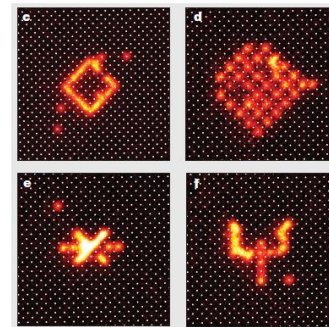
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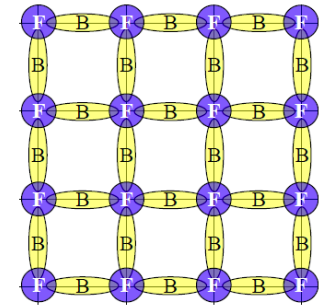
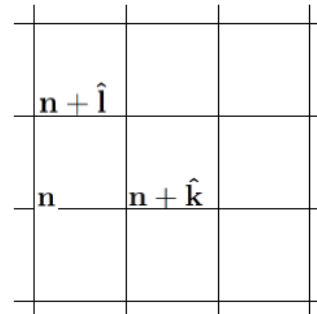


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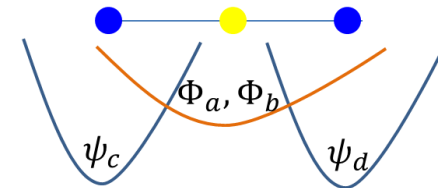
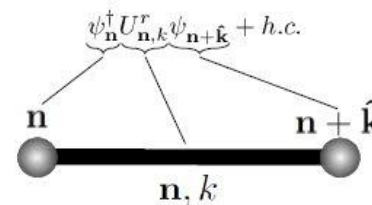


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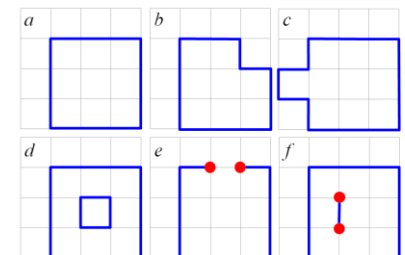
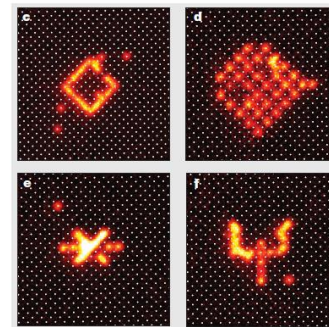
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Z_N Gauge theory

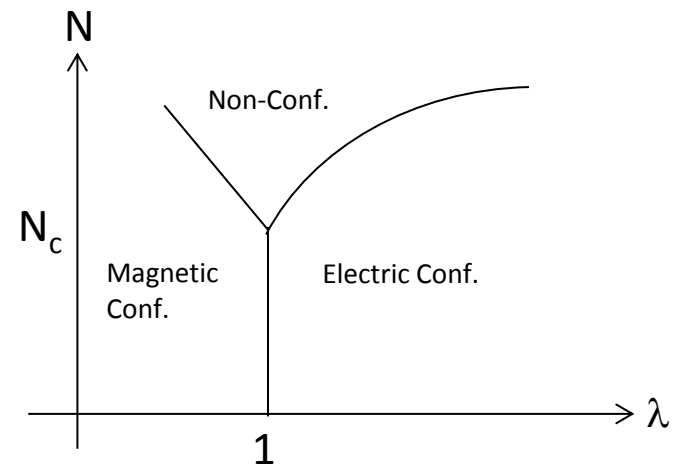
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Adapted from Horn et. al., PRD 19, 3715, 1979

Simulating Z_N Gauge theory

- Finite Hilbert spaces on links: one can realize *unitary* operators in the elementary link interactions, obtained using hybridized levels
- In a pure gauge theory, plaquettes are obtained similarly, using the “loop method”

