

Constructing the Quantum Hall System on the Grassmannians $\text{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C})^N$

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A Short Timeline

- Shortly after the experimental discovery of QHE by von Klitzing (1980), Laughlin (1981) gave a theoretical description of the effect via a multi-particle wave function describing the $2D$ electron system as a quantum incompressible liquid. Laughlin's description breaks translational invariance.
- Haldane (1983) considered QHE on S^2 . Why and how?
- Hu and Zhang (2000) obtained a generalization of QHE on S^4 . How? What are the motivations?
- Karabali and Nair (2002) formulated QHE on $\mathbb{C}P^N$.
- QHE systems on S^3 , \mathbb{R}^4 , a Flag Manifold, and others based on higher-dimensional fuzzy spheres were considered in the recent past.
- We formulate QHE on $\text{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^N)$

Review of QHE on S^2

- Why would we ever want to do this?
 - Rotational Invariance, leading to invariance under magnetic translations, explaining the degeneracy of LL.
 - No edges, enables us to concentrate on the bulk properties, important in understanding some properties of FQHE.
 - Compact geometry leads to finite number of degrees of freedom, leading to finite degeneracy of states at a given LL.
 - When $r \rightarrow \infty$, results on the plane are recovered.
- We need a B -field, with fixed magnitude on the surfaces of S^2 . We can take a Dirac monopole placed at the center of S^2 .

$$\vec{B} = \frac{g}{r^3} \vec{r}, \quad eg = \frac{1}{2} n \hbar$$

- Recall the Hopf Fibration $U(1) \rightarrow SU(2) \rightarrow S^2$
 - On $SU(2)$ we have Wigner functions $\mathcal{D}_{L_3, R_3}^{(j)}(g)$. Functions on S^2 may be viewed as the subset of functions on $SU(2)$ invariant under the $U(1)$ subgroup.

- On $SU(2)$ we have left-invariant and right-invariant rotations, they fulfill the $SU(2)$ commutation relations

$$[L_i, L_j] = -\varepsilon_{ijk} L_k, \quad [R_i, R_j] = \varepsilon_{ijk} R_k, \quad [L_i, R_j] = 0.$$

$$R_{\pm} = R_1 \pm iR_2, \quad [R_+, R_-] = 2R_3, \quad [R_{\pm}, R_3] = \mp R_{\pm},$$

- Trivial right action of $U(1)$: $R_3 = 0$ gives $\mathcal{D}'_{m,0} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{(2l+1)}} Y_{lm}^*(\theta, \phi)$
- Covariant derivatives on S^2 are $D_{\pm} = i\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}r} R_{\pm}$. Observe that $[D_+, D_-] = B$, where $B = \frac{n}{2r^2} = \frac{2}{r^2} R_3$
- Hamiltonian is

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (D_+ D_- + D_- D_+)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2mr^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 R_i^2 - R_3^2 \right)$$

- Eigenvalue equation for H is solved by the wave functions (in units where $\hbar = 1$ and $e = 1$.)

$$\mathcal{D}'_{L_3 \frac{n}{2}}^j, \quad R_3 = \frac{n}{2}, \quad j = q + \frac{n}{2},$$

- Spectrum of the Hamiltonian reads

$$\frac{1}{2mr^2} \left(\frac{n}{2}(2q+1) + q(q+1) \right) = \frac{B}{2m}(2q+1) + \frac{1}{2mr^2} q(q+1),$$

- Observe that $[L_i, H] = 0$. Therefore, degeneracy of the eigenstates is given by the possible values of L_3 .
- In a given LL there is $2j+1 = n+1+2q$ fold degeneracy controlled by the eigenvalues of L_3 .
- We can write down the many particle wave functions say in the LLL.
- It is possible to argue that the QHE system forms an incompressible liquid. Under fixed B -field, each Landau site occupies an area $2\pi\ell_B^2 = \frac{2\pi}{B}$.
 - Correlation function between a pair of particles takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(1,2) &= |\Psi^1|^2 |\Psi^2|^2 - |\Psi_\Lambda^{*1} \Psi_\Lambda^2|^2, \\ &= 1 - e^{-2B|\bar{x}^1 - \bar{x}^2|^2}, \end{aligned}$$

- $\Omega(1,2)$ approaches 1 at separations $\gg \ell_B$. Probability of finding two particles at the same location is zero.

QHE on S^4

- Landau problem for charged particles on S^4 formulated and solved by Hu and Zhang (2000).
- Particles are under influence of a background $SU(2)$ gauge field. This is provided by a Yang monopole.
- Multiparticle problem: In LLL, with filling factor $\nu = 1$, finite spatial density occurs iff the charges particles carry infinitely large IRR's of $SU(2)$.
- In $2D$ edge excitations give spin zero particles (massless chiral bosons), in $4D$ edge excitations have higher spin particles like photons and gravitons. However, other massless higher-spin states also occur.
- Effective Abelian and non-Abelian Chern-Simons theory descriptions in $6 + 1$ and $4 + 1$, respectively are also given as generalizations of effective CS theory for QHE in the low energy regime.

Motivations from String Theory

- Low energy dynamics of strings-D-branes configurations are effectively captured by QHE on S^2 and S^4 . Bernevig et.al. (2001), Fabinger (2002). Very roughly:
 - Wrap a $D2$ -brane on S^2 and dissolve N , $D0$ -branes on it.
 - Take K flat $D6$ -branes \perp $D2$ -brane and move them to the center of $D2$ -brane.
 - Due to topological constraints K fundamental strings stretch between $D2$ and $D6$ -branes.
 - In the low energy limit, charged string-ends may be viewed as K -charged particles, N is interpreted as the magnetic flux and $\nu = \frac{K}{N}$ as the filling factor.
 - Background magnetic field may be viewed as density of $D0$ -branes on the $D2$ -brane.
 - $D0$ -branes may be viewed to form an incompressible liquid.
- Low energy dynamics of $D4$ - $D4$ -branes system with strings stretching in between is effectively captured by QHE on S^4 .

QHE on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$

- Grassmann Manifold $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$ may be realized as the coset

$$\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4) \equiv \frac{SU(4)}{SU(2) \times SU(2) \times U(1)}.$$

- We label the left- and right-invariant vector fields of $SU(4)$ as L_α and R_α , $\alpha = 1, \dots, 15$.
- $L_i^1, R_i^1, L_i^2, R_i^2$ $i = 1, 2, 3$ ($\alpha = 1, \dots, 6$) are the left, right generators of $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ with $L_i^a L_i^a = L(L+1)$, $R_i^a R_i^a = R(R+1)$ ($a = 1, 2$, no sum over a).
- 8 tangent vectors along $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$ may be given by R_α , $\alpha = 7, \dots, 14$.
- Hamiltonian for charged particles on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$

$$H = \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} \sum_{\alpha=7}^{14} R_\alpha^2$$

- Wigner \mathcal{D} -functions:

$$\mathcal{D}_{L^1, L_3^1, L^2, L_3^2, L_{15}; R^1, R_3^1, R^2, R_3^2, R_{15}}^{(p, q, r)}$$

- Integers (p, q, r) label the irreducible representations of $SU(4)$.
- R_{15} gives the $U(1)$ magnetic charge background.
- R^1 and R^2 give the non-Abelian magnetic charge backgrounds.
- Hamiltonian is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^{15} R_{\alpha}^2 - C_2^R - R_{15}^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} (C_2(p, q, r) - C_2^R - R_{15}^2) \end{aligned}$$

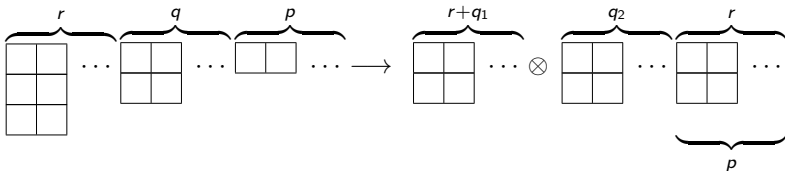
- Quadratic Casimirs of $SU(4)$ and $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ have the eigenvalues

$$C_2(p, q, r) = \frac{3}{8}(r^2 + p^2) + \frac{1}{2}q^2 + \frac{1}{8}(2pr + 4pq + 4qr + 12p + 16q + 12r).$$

$$C_2^R = R^1(R^1 + 1) + R^2(R^2 + 1)$$

Abelian Background

- Consider the branching of $SU(4)$ IRR $(p, q = q_1 + q_2, r)$ under $SU(2) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$



- We want to restrict to $SU(4)$ Wigner \mathcal{D} -functions, transforming as singlet under $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ and carry non-zero $U(1)$ -charge. That is,

$$R_i^1 = R_i^2 = 0, \quad R_{15} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(q_1 - q_2) =: \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}n,$$

- Observe that for this to happen $p = r$ and \mathcal{D} -functions take the form

$$\mathcal{D}_{L^1, L_3^1, L^2, L_3^2, L_{15}; 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}n}^{(p, 2q_1, p)}$$

- Spectrum of the Hamiltonian at fixed n is labeled by two integers (p, q_2) and reads, with $C_2^R = 0$,

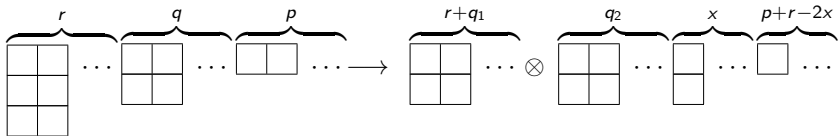
$$\begin{aligned} H &= \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} (C_2(p, q, r) - R_{15}^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} (p^2 + 3p + np + 2q_2^2 + 4q_2 + 2pq_2 + 2n(1 + q_2)) . \end{aligned}$$

- Degeneracy of each LL is given by the dimension of the IRR (p, q, p) .
- The LLL is specified by $p = q_2 = 0$ and has the energy $\frac{n}{M\ell^2} = \frac{2B}{M}$. ($B = \frac{n}{2\ell^2}$)
- For the many particle problem, if all states of LLL are filled with the filling factor $\nu = 1$, in the thermodynamic limit $\ell \rightarrow \infty, \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \infty$, spatial density of particles is finite:

$$\rho = \frac{\dim(0, n, 0)}{\frac{\pi^4 \ell^8}{12}} \xrightarrow{\ell \rightarrow \infty, \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^4}{\pi^4 \ell^8} = \left(\frac{2B}{\pi} \right)^4 ,$$

Single $SU(2)$ and $U(1)$ Gauge Field Background

- In this case, $R^1 = 0$ and R^2 takes a range of spin values labeling the possible non-Abelian $SU(2)$ charges.
- A generic branching may be given as ($0 \leq x \leq r$)



- We have

$$R^1 = 0, \quad R^2 = \frac{p-r}{2}, \dots, \frac{p+r}{2},$$

$$R_{15} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(2(q_1 - q_2) - (p - r)) := \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ implies $m := \frac{p-r}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}$
- Wave functions are given by

$$\mathcal{D}^{(p, q_1+q_2, r)}_{L^1, L_3^1 L^2, L_3^2 L_{15}; 0, 0, R^2, R_3^2, \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

- At fixed R^2 and n , energy eigenvalues are labeled by two integers (q_2, m)

$$E = \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} \left(2q_2^2 + 2q_2(n + R^2 + m + 2) + n(R^2 + m + 2) + (R^2 + m)(2 + m) \right).$$

- The LLL is given by setting $q_2 = m = 0$

$$E = \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} (n(R^2 + 2) + 2R^2)$$

- In thermodynamic limit, spatial densities at filling factor $\nu = 1$ are rendered finite:

i) For pure $SU(2)$ background $n = 0$ and R^2 scales as ℓ^2 :

$$\rho \sim \frac{\dim(R^2, 0, R^2)}{\frac{\pi^4 \ell^8}{12} (2R^2 + 1)} \xrightarrow{\ell \rightarrow \infty, \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(R^2)^4}{\pi^4 \ell^8}$$

ii) For both $U(1)$ and $SU(2)$ backgrounds, we may have n scale as ℓ^2 and R^2 to be finite,

$$\rho \sim \frac{\dim(R^2, n, R^2)}{\frac{\pi^4 \ell^8}{12} (2R^2 + 1)} \xrightarrow{\ell \rightarrow \infty, \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^4}{2\pi^4 \ell^8 R^2},$$

$SU(2) \times SU(2)$ and $U(1)$ Gauge Field Backgrounds

- Without going into details, the wave functions may be given as

$$\mathcal{D}^{(p_1+p_2, q_1+q_2+x, r)}_{L^1, L^1_3 L^2, L^2_3 L_{15}; R^1, R^1_3, R^2, R^2_3, \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

- R^1 and R^2 take on the values

$$R^1 = \frac{p_1 + x}{2}, \quad \frac{|2\mathcal{M} - S|}{2} \leq R^2 \leq \frac{S}{2}$$

$$0 \leq x \leq q, \quad 0 \leq p_1 \leq p, \quad S = p_2 + x + r$$

\mathcal{M} is the largest among the integers p_2 , x and r .

- $U(1)$ charge is (Here either $q_2 = 0$ or $p_1 = 0$)

$$n = \frac{1}{2} (2(q_1 - q_2) - (p_2 - p_1 - r))$$

- For fixed R^1 , R^2 and n , energy spectrum depends on two integers and LLL energy is

$$E = \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} (n(R^1 + R^2 + 2) + 2R^2)$$

- In the thermodynamic limit, finite spatial densities are achieved in this case too.

QHE on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^N)$

- Coset realization of $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^N)$ reads

$$\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^N) = \frac{SU(N)}{SU(N-2) \times SU(2) \times U(1)},$$

- $SU(N)$ Wigner \mathcal{D} -functions,

$$\mathcal{D}_{L^{SU(N-2)}, L, L_3, L_{N^2-1}, R^{SU(N-2)}, R, R_3, R_{N^2-1}}^{(P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots, P_{N-2}, P_{N-1})}$$

- IRR's of $SU(N)$ are labeled by $N - 1$ integers $P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots, P_{N-2}, P_{N-1}$.
- Hamiltonian for charged particles on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^N)$ takes the form :

$$H = \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} \left(C_2^{SU(N)} - C_2^{SU(N-2)} - C_2^{SU(2)} - R_{N^2-1}^2 \right)$$

- For pure $U(1)$ background gauge field $R^{SU(N-2)} = 0$, $R = 0$, branching of the $SU(N)$ IRR requires

$$(P_1, P_2, 0, \dots, 0, P_{N-2}, P_1)$$

- $U(1)$ background charge is given as

$$R_{N^2-1} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{2}{N}n}, \quad n = P_{N-2} - P_2$$

- LLL energy reads

$$E = \frac{Nn - 2n}{2M\ell^2}.$$

- For $SU(2)$ and $U(1)$ background gauge fields branching rules restrict to the IRRs $(P_1, P_2, 0, \dots, 0, P_{N-2}, P_{N-1})$
- $SU(2)$ spin takes values in the range

$$R = \frac{P_1 - P_{N-1}}{2}, \dots, \frac{P_{N-1} + P_1}{2}$$

- $U(1)$ charge is

$$R_{N^2-1} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{2}{N}n}, \quad n = \frac{1}{2}(P_{N-1} + 2(P_{N-2} - P_2) - P_1)$$

- LLL energy is

$$E = \frac{1}{2M\ell^2} (nR + (N-2)(n+R)),$$

Local Form of the Wave Functions on $\text{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$

- Plücker embedding $\text{Gr}_k(\mathbb{C}^n) \hookrightarrow \mathbf{P}(\wedge^k \mathbb{C}^n)$
- For $\text{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$, this embedding is $\text{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4) \hookrightarrow \mathbf{P}(\mathbb{C}^4 \wedge \mathbb{C}^4) \equiv \mathbb{C}P^5$.
- Introducing one set of complex coordinates for each \mathbb{C}^4 as v_α, w_α ($\alpha = 1, \dots, 4$), Plücker coordinates are constructed as

$$P_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_\alpha w_\beta - v_\beta w_\alpha).$$

- $P_{\alpha\beta} \sim \lambda P_{\alpha\beta}$ where $\lambda \in U(1)$ and $\sum_{\alpha,\beta}^4 |P_{\alpha\beta}|^2 = 1$.
- Plücker embedding is specified by the homogeneous condition

$$\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} P_{\alpha\beta} P_{\gamma\delta} = P_{12}P_{34} - P_{13}P_{24} + P_{14}P_{23} = 0,$$

- $P_{\alpha\beta}$ may be used to parametrize the columns of $g \in SU(4)$ in the IRR $(0, 1, 0)$.

Correlation Function and Incompressibility

- Multiparticle wave function is given by the Slater determinant

$$\Psi_{MP} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathcal{N}!}} \varepsilon^{\Lambda_1 \Lambda_2 \dots \Lambda_n} \Psi_{\Lambda_1}(P^{(1)}) \Psi_{\Lambda_2}(P^{(2)}) \dots \Psi_{\Lambda_n}(P^{(N)})$$

- For $\Psi_{\Lambda_i}(P^i) \equiv \Psi_{\Lambda_i}^i \sim (P_{\alpha\beta}^i)^n$, correlation function between a pair of particles gives

$$\Omega(1, 2) = |\Psi^1|^2 |\Psi^2|^2 - |\Psi_{\Lambda}^{*1} \Psi_{\Lambda}^2|^2,$$

$$\xrightarrow{\ell \rightarrow \infty, \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \infty} 1 - e^{-2B|\bar{X}^1 - \bar{X}^2|^2},$$

- Probability of finding two particles at the same point approaches to 0. Signalling incompressibility of the Hall fluid.

Local Form of the Abelian Gauge Field

- $U(1)$ gauge potential is

$$A = -\frac{in}{\sqrt{2}} \text{Tr} \left(\lambda_{(6)}^{15} g^{-1} dg \right) = -inP_N^* dP_N$$

with the gauge transformation property $A \rightarrow A + d\left(\frac{n\theta}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$.

- Corresponding field strength

$$F = dA = -\frac{in}{\sqrt{2}} \text{Tr} \left(\lambda_{(6)}^{15} g^{-1} dg \wedge g^{-1} dg \right) = -indP_N^* \wedge dP_N.$$

- F is antisymmetric, gauge invariant, closed 2-form on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$. As such it is proportional to the Kähler two-form Ω over $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$:
 $F = n\Omega$.
- $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma} F = n$, where Σ is a noncontractable two surface in $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$. This is the analog of Dirac quantization condition in the present context.

Remarks and Conclusions

- We have studied QHE on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$ gave the energy spectrum and wave functions for both Abelian and non-Abelian background gauge fields. Generalized to QHE on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^N)$.
- Relation to fuzzy spaces may be investigated.
- It is known that (Nair and Karabali (2002), Bernevig et. al. (2003))
 - $U(1)$ QHE on $\mathbb{C}P^3 \equiv SU(2)$ gauge field QHE on S^4 ,
 - $U(1)$ QHE on $\mathbb{C}P^7 \equiv SO(8)$ gauge field QHE on S^8 ,

- $St_2(\mathbb{R}^6) = \frac{Spin(6)}{Spin(4)}$
- We have the fibration $U(1) \rightarrow St_2(\mathbb{R}^6) \rightarrow \mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$
- We also have another fibration $S^4 \rightarrow St_2(\mathbb{R}^6) \rightarrow S^6$.
- Locally we have $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4) \approx \frac{S^5 \times S^4}{U(1)}$
- We conjecture that $U(1)$ QHE on $\mathbf{Gr}_2(\mathbb{C}^4)$ is equivalent to QHE on S^5 with S^4 fibers.
- S^4 fibers are associated to an $SO(5)$ gauge field.
- It is known that QHE on $S^3 = \frac{Spin(4)}{Spin(3)}$ (Nair and Randjbar-Daemi (2004)) takes the constant background gauge field as the spin connection.
- It is natural to expect that for QHE on $S^5 = \frac{Spin(6)}{Spin(5)}$ one should take $SO(5)$ background gauge field as the spin connection.