

# ZAMOLODCHIKOV'S C FUNCTION IN THE STUDY OF THE STABILITY OF TOPOLOGICAL PHASES OF MATTER

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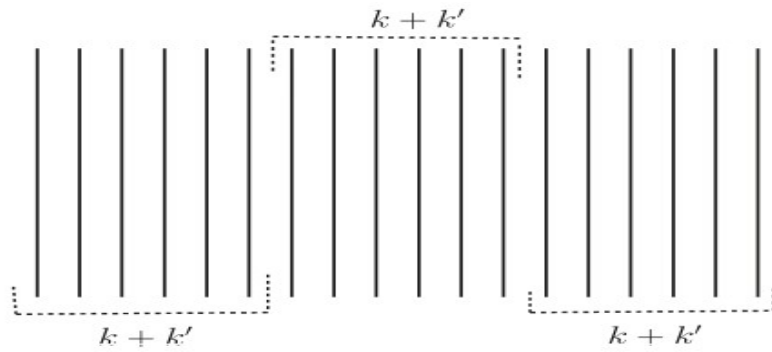
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## NON-ABELIAN TOPOLOGICAL PHASES IN $2+1$ D

- \* ANYONIC NON-ABELIAN EXCITATIONS  
IN THE BULK OF THE SYSTEM
- \* NON-INTEGER CENTRAL CHARGE IN  
THE BOUNDARY CFT.

# QUANTUM WIRES

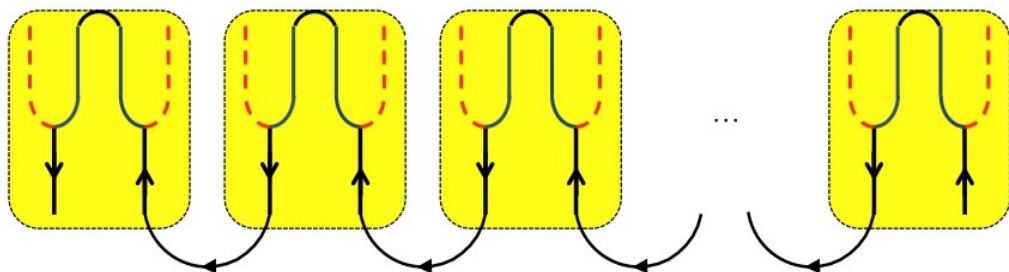
## \* DIMENSIONAL DECONSTRUCTION



$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \sum_{I=1}^N \sum_{\sigma=1}^2 [i \Psi_{R\sigma I}^* \partial_+ \Psi_{R\sigma I} + i \Psi_{L\sigma I}^* \partial_- \Psi_{L\sigma I}]$$

$$c = 2N$$

## INTER AND INTRA WIRE INTERACTIONS



# SUGAWARA'S CONSTRUCTION

$$u(2k)_L \supset u(1) \oplus su(2)_L \oplus su(k)_2$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{R/L}[2k] = T_{R/L}[u(1)] + T_{R/L}[su(2)_L] + T_{R/L}[su(k)_2]$$

GAPPING THE  $u(1)$  AND  $SU(k)_2$  ( $k \leftrightarrow k'$ ) SECTORS

$$\mathcal{L}_{u(1)} = -g_u \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{\sigma=1}^2 \psi_{R,\sigma,i}^* \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{\sigma=1}^2 \psi_{L,\sigma,i} + [\psi_R^* \leftrightarrow \psi_L, \psi_L \leftrightarrow \psi_R^*]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{su(2)} = -\lambda_{su(2)} \sum_{a=1}^3 J_R^a J_L^a$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{su(k)} = -\lambda_{su(k)} \sum_{A=1}^{k^2-1} J_R^A J_L^A$$

$$J_{R/L}^a = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{\sigma,\rho=1}^2 \psi_{R/L,\sigma,i}^* \frac{\sigma_a^a}{2} \psi_{R/L,\rho,i}$$

$$J_{R/L}^A = \sum_{i,j=1}^k \sum_{\sigma=1}^2 \psi_{R/L,\sigma,i}^* T_{ij}^A \psi_{R/L,\sigma,j}$$

## ⇒ GAPLESS SECTOR

$$g_{k,k'} = \bigoplus_{m=1}^N SU(2)_k \oplus SU(2)_{k'}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c[g_{k,k'}] &= \sum_{m=1}^N (c[SU(2)_k] + c[SU(2)_{k'}]) \\ &= N \left( \frac{3k}{k+2} + \frac{3k'}{k'+2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

GAPPING THE BULK SECTORS AND THE DIAGONAL SUBGROUP  $SU(2)_{k+k'}$

$$h_{k,k'} = \bigoplus_{m=1}^N SU(2)_{k+k'}$$

DIAGONAL GENERATORS:

$$K_{R/L}^{a,m} = J_{R/L}^{a,m} + J_{R/L}^{\prime a,m}$$

INTERWIRE INTERACTION

$$\mathcal{L}_{SU(2)}^{\text{INTER}} = - \sum_{m=1}^N \sum_{a=1}^3 (\lambda_m^a J_L^{a,m} J_R^{a,m+1} + \lambda_a^{\prime} J_L^{\prime a,m} J_R^{\prime a,m+1})$$

# GAPPING THE DIAGONAL SECTORS

$$\mathcal{L}_{SU(2)}^{\text{DIAG}} = - \sum_{m=1}^N \sum_{a=1}^3 g_m^a K_L^{a,m} K_R^{a,m}$$

## CONJECTURED TOPOLOGICAL PHASE

$$\left( \frac{SU(2)_k \oplus SU(2)_{k'}}{SU(2)_{k+k'}} \right)_{P/L}$$

$$k'=1$$

$$c(g/k) = 1 - \frac{6}{(k+2)(k+3)}$$

MINIMAL MODELS

$$k'=2$$

$$c(g/k) = \frac{3}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{8}{(k+2)(k+4)} \right]$$

## SUPERCONFORMAL MINIMAL MODELS



$$\left( \frac{su(2)_k \oplus su(2)_{k'}}{su(2)_{k+k'}} \right)_R$$

$$\left( \frac{su(2)_k \oplus su(2)_{k'}}{su(2)_{k+k'}} \right)_L$$

# STABILITY

$$k = j + j'$$

$$\Rightarrow [j, k] \neq 0$$

i)  $\lambda \gg g$

$\Rightarrow$  GAPPING ALL THE  $SU(2)_{k|k'}$  OF THE BULK

$\Rightarrow$  GAPPING THE  $SU(2)_{L, k|k'}$  OF THE LEFT BOUNDARY AND  $SU(2)_{R, k|k'}$  OF THE RB.

$\Rightarrow$  GAPPED TOPOLOGICAL PHASE

$$(SU(2)_k \oplus SU(2)_{k'})_R \quad (SU(2)_k \oplus SU(2)_{k'})_L$$

STABLE AGAINST PERTURBATIONS  
OF  $kk$  INTERACTIONS

$\Rightarrow$  NON-COSET PHASE



ii)  $\lambda \ll g$

⇒ GAPPING ALL  $SU(2)_{k+k'}$  SECTORS

⇒  $\left( \frac{SU(2)_k + SU(2)_{k'}}{SU(2)_{k+k'}} \right)_{L/R}$  FOR ALL BUNDLES

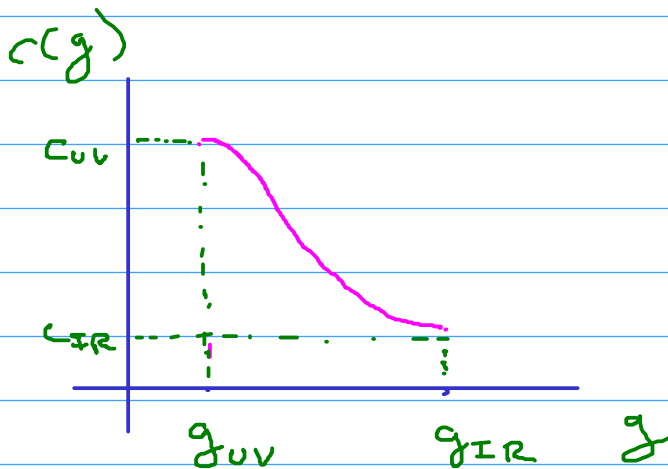
⇒ UNSTABLE AGAINST  $JJ$  PERTURBATIONS

if  $JJ$  IS RELEVANT

⇒ COSFT TOPOLOGICAL PHASE.

## C-THEOREM

$\Rightarrow c(g)$  MONOTONICALLY DECREASING ALONG A TRAJECTORY OF THE  $RG$  FLOW AND COINCIDES WITH THE CENTRAL CHARGE AT THE FIXED POINTS.



### DEFINITION

$$c(g) = 2F - G - \frac{3}{8}H$$

$$\langle T(z, \bar{z}) T(0, 0) \rangle = \frac{F(mz\bar{z})}{z^4}$$

$$\langle T(z, \bar{z}) \Theta(0, 0) \rangle = \frac{G(mz\bar{z})}{z^3 \bar{z}}$$

$$\langle \Theta(z, \bar{z}) \Theta(0, 0) \rangle = \frac{H(mz\bar{z})}{z^2 \bar{z}^2}$$

## SIMPLER MODEL

$$S_0 = \int d^2x \sum_{i\sigma} (\Psi_{Ri\sigma}^\dagger \partial_z \Psi_{Ri\sigma} + \Psi_{Li\sigma}^\dagger \partial_{\bar{z}} \Psi_{Li\sigma})$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N_c$$

$$\sigma = 1, \dots, N_f$$

SYMMETRY GROUP:  $U_R(N) \otimes U_L(N)$

$$N = N_c N_f$$

GAPPING THE  $U(1)$  AND  $SU(N_c)$  SECTORS

$$\mathcal{L}_U = -g_u^0 \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} \prod_{\sigma=1}^{N_f} \Psi_{Ri\sigma}^* \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} \prod_{\sigma=1}^{N_f} \Psi_{Li\sigma} + (L \leftrightarrow R)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{SU(N_c)} = -\tilde{\lambda} \sum_{a=1}^{N_c-1} J_R^a J_L^a$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\tau_h} = -g_t^0 J_R J_L$$

# AUXILIARY FIELDS

$$S = \int d^2x \sum_i \Psi_{Li\sigma}^* [\delta_{ij} (\partial_{\bar{z}} - B_{\bar{z}}) - A_{\bar{z}}^a t_{ij}^a] \Psi_{Lj\sigma} +$$

$$+ (L \leftrightarrow R, z \leftrightarrow \bar{z}) + \frac{1}{\bar{\lambda}} \text{tr} (A_z A_{\bar{z}}) + \frac{1}{g_z^2} B_z B_{\bar{z}}$$

$$+ \mathcal{L}_u$$

## DECOUPLING OF THE AUXILIARY FIELDS

$$\Psi_R = e^{(\theta + i\phi)} \tilde{\Psi}_R \quad \Psi_R^* = e^{-\theta - i\phi} \tilde{\Psi}_R^*$$

$$\Psi_L = e^{-\theta + i\phi} \tilde{\Psi}_L \quad \Psi_L^* = e^{\theta - i\phi} \tilde{\Psi}_L^*$$

$$B_z = \partial_z (\theta + i\phi) \quad B_{\bar{z}} = -\partial_{\bar{z}} (\theta - i\phi)$$

$$J_F = e^{-\frac{N}{\pi}} \int d^2x \partial_z \theta \partial_{\bar{z}} \theta$$

$$J_B = \partial^2$$

$$\tilde{\Psi}_R = M \tilde{\chi}_R \quad \tilde{\Psi}_R^+ = \tilde{\chi}_R^+ M^{-L}$$

$$\tilde{\Psi}_L = M^{+L} \tilde{\chi}_L \quad \Psi_L^+ = \tilde{\chi}_L^+ M^+$$

$$A_z = \partial_z M M^{-L}$$

$$A_{\bar{z}} = -M^{+L} \partial_{\bar{z}} M^+$$

$$J_F = e^{N \pm W [M^+ M]} + \frac{b}{4\pi} \int d^2x \text{tr} (M^{+L} \partial_{\bar{z}} M \partial_z M M^{-L})$$

$$J_B = \partial^2 e^{2N_c W [M^+ M]}$$

$$Z = \int D\mu \exp \left[ -\kappa W[M^+] - \kappa W[M] \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\kappa \lambda}{4\pi} \int d^2x \operatorname{tr} (M^{+1} \partial_{\bar{z}} M^+ \partial_z M M^{-1}) + \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \int d^2x \partial_z \phi \partial_{\bar{z}} \phi + S[\tilde{\chi}, \theta] + S_{\text{ghost}} \right]$$

$$\kappa = 2Nc + N_f \quad \lambda = \frac{4\pi}{k\tilde{\lambda}} + b - 1 \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{g_+^{(0)}}{1 + a g_+^{(0)}/\pi}$$

$$S[\tilde{\chi}, \theta] = \int d^2x \sum_{i,\sigma} \tilde{\chi}_{Ri\sigma}^+ \partial_z \tilde{\chi}_{Ri\sigma} + \tilde{\chi}_{Li\sigma}^+ \partial_{\bar{z}} \tilde{\chi}_{Li\sigma} + \\ + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \partial_z \theta \partial_{\bar{z}} \theta \\ - \frac{1}{g_+^{(0)}} \left( e^{-2N\theta} \prod \tilde{\chi}_{Ri\sigma}^+ \prod \tilde{\chi}_{Li\sigma} + e^{2N\theta} (R \leftrightarrow L) \right)$$

$$S_{\text{ghost}} = \int d^2x \left[ \sum_i (b_z^i \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{c}^i + b_{\bar{z}}^i \partial_z c^i) + \eta_{\bar{z}} \partial_z \xi + \eta_z \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{\xi} \right]$$

$$\rho^2 = \frac{g_+^{(0)}}{(1 + (N+a)g_+^{(0)})/\pi}$$

## ABELIAN BOSONIZATION

$$Z_U = \int D\tilde{\chi} D\theta e^{-S[\tilde{\chi}, \theta]}$$

$$\equiv Z_{SG} = \int D\theta \exp \left[ - \int d^2x \partial_z \theta \partial_{\bar{z}} \theta - \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \omega(N\beta\theta) \right. \\ \left. + \gamma_0 \right]$$

$$\frac{\beta^2}{4\pi} = \frac{1 + a g_t^{(0)}/4\pi}{1 + (N+a) g_t^{(0)}/\pi}$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta^2} = g_u(c\mu)^N$$

## BOSONIZED MODEL

$$Z = \det(\partial^2)_{UV(N)} \det(\partial^2)_{SUV(N)} \det(\partial)^N Z_I Z_{II}$$

$$Z_I = \int D\phi D\psi e^{-\int d^2x \left[ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \partial_{\bar{z}} \phi \partial_z \phi + \partial_{\bar{z}} \psi \partial_z \psi - \frac{\alpha}{\beta^2} \omega(N\psi^2) \right]}$$

$$Z_{II} = \int DM DM^\dagger \exp \left[ -K(W[M^\dagger] + W[M]) + \frac{K\lambda}{4\pi} \int d^2x \text{tr} (M^{\dagger -1} \partial_{\bar{z}} M^\dagger \partial_z M M^{-1}) \right]$$

## FIXED POINTS

$$\beta^2 \rightarrow 0, \quad \beta^2 \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\lambda \rightarrow 0, \quad \lambda \rightarrow -1, \quad \lambda \rightarrow \pm \infty$$

$$C_{UV} = N + \frac{2N_c(N_c^2 - 1)}{N_c + N_f} \quad \lambda = 0$$

$$C_{\text{free}} = N \quad \lambda = \pm \infty$$

$$C_{\text{IR}} = \frac{N_c(N_f^2 - 1)}{N_c + N_f} \quad \lambda = -1$$

## C-FUNCTION

$$e^{-S_{\text{eff}}[\gamma]} = \int \mathcal{D}M \mathcal{D}M^\dagger e^{-S[\gamma]}$$

$$B_{\mu\nu;\rho\sigma} = - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma(x)}} \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma(y)}} \frac{\delta^2 S_{\text{eff}}}{\delta \gamma_{\mu\nu}(x) \delta \gamma_{\rho\sigma}(y)} \Big|_{\gamma_{\mu\nu} = \delta_{\mu\nu}}$$

$$= \langle T_{\mu\nu}(x) T_{\rho\sigma}(y) \rangle - \langle T_{\mu\nu}(x) \rangle \langle T_{\rho\sigma}(y) \rangle - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma(x)}} \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma(y)}} \left\langle \frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \gamma_{\mu\nu}(x) \delta \gamma_{\rho\sigma}(y)} \right\rangle$$

## BACKGROUND FIELD METHOD

$$M = M_0 e^{i\phi(x)}$$

$$M^\dagger = M_0^\dagger e^{i\sigma(x)}$$

## TWO LOOPS

$$S_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} = \langle S_4 \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle S_3 S_3 \rangle$$

$$S_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} = \frac{2\pi N_c (N_c^2 - 1)(3\lambda^2 + \lambda - 1)}{3k (\lambda - 1)^2 (1 + \lambda)} \int d^2x \sqrt{\gamma} \gamma^{\mu\nu} \left[ \partial_\mu^x G \partial_\nu^y G - G \partial_\mu^x \partial_\nu^y G \right] \Big|_{x=y}$$

$$+ \frac{4\pi N_c (N_c^2 - 1)(3\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1)}{3k (1 - \lambda)^3} \int d^2x d^2y \epsilon^{\mu\nu} \epsilon^{\rho\sigma} G \partial_\mu^x \partial_\sigma^y G \partial_\nu^x \partial_\rho^y G \Big|_{x=y}$$

$$- \frac{2\pi \lambda^2 N_c (N_c^2 - 1)}{k(1 - \lambda)(1 + \lambda^2)} \int d^2x d^2y \sqrt{\gamma(x)} \sqrt{\gamma(y)} \gamma^{\mu\nu}(x) \gamma^{\rho\sigma}(y) \times$$

$$\times \left[ G \partial_\mu^x \partial_\sigma^y G \partial_\nu^x \partial_\rho^y G - \partial_\mu^x G \partial_\sigma^y G \partial_\nu^x \partial_\rho^y G \right] \Big|_{x=y}$$

$$\Delta G(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Y}} \delta^2(x-y)$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Y}} \partial_\mu (\sqrt{Y} \gamma^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu)$$

## REGULARIZATION

IR:  $\mathcal{L}_m = -m^2 \text{tr}(M + M^\dagger)$

UV:  $G(x, x) = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} + \bar{G}(x)$

$$G(x, y) = \bar{G}(x, y) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \ln |S(x, y)|$$

$$\bar{G}(x) = \bar{G}(x, y) \Big|_{x=y}$$

## INTERPOLATION BETWEEN THE FIXED POINTS

$$\Rightarrow S_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} = \frac{N_c(N_c^2 - 1)}{R} f_r(\lambda) \Gamma$$

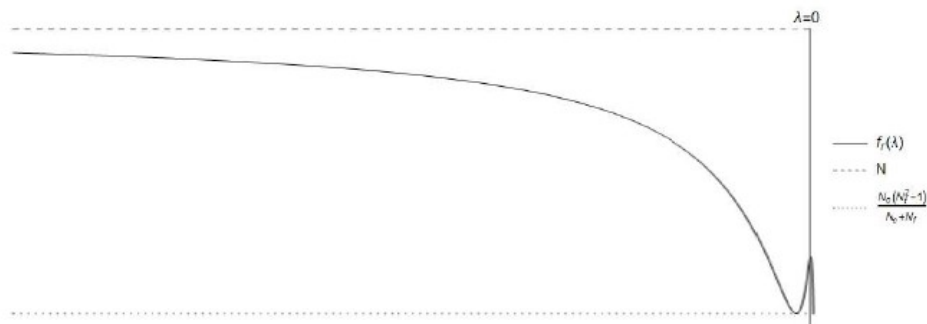
$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{96\pi} \int d^2x d^2y \sqrt{Y(x)} \sqrt{Y(y)} R(x) G(x, y) R(y)$$



ADD COUNTERTERMS FOR  $f_r(\lambda)$  HAVE  
 A MAXIMUM AT  $\lambda = 0$  AND A MINIMUM  
 AT  $\lambda = -L$ .

$$\Rightarrow f_r(\lambda) = \frac{4(6\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1)(k - N_c)}{5(\lambda - 1)^3 N_c}$$

$$c(\lambda) = N + \frac{N_c(N_c^2 - 1)}{k} f_r(\lambda)$$



## CONCLUSIONS

\* STABILITY OF SPIN LIQUID TP.  
(COMPETING INTERACTIONS)

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