

Topological order and color superconductivity

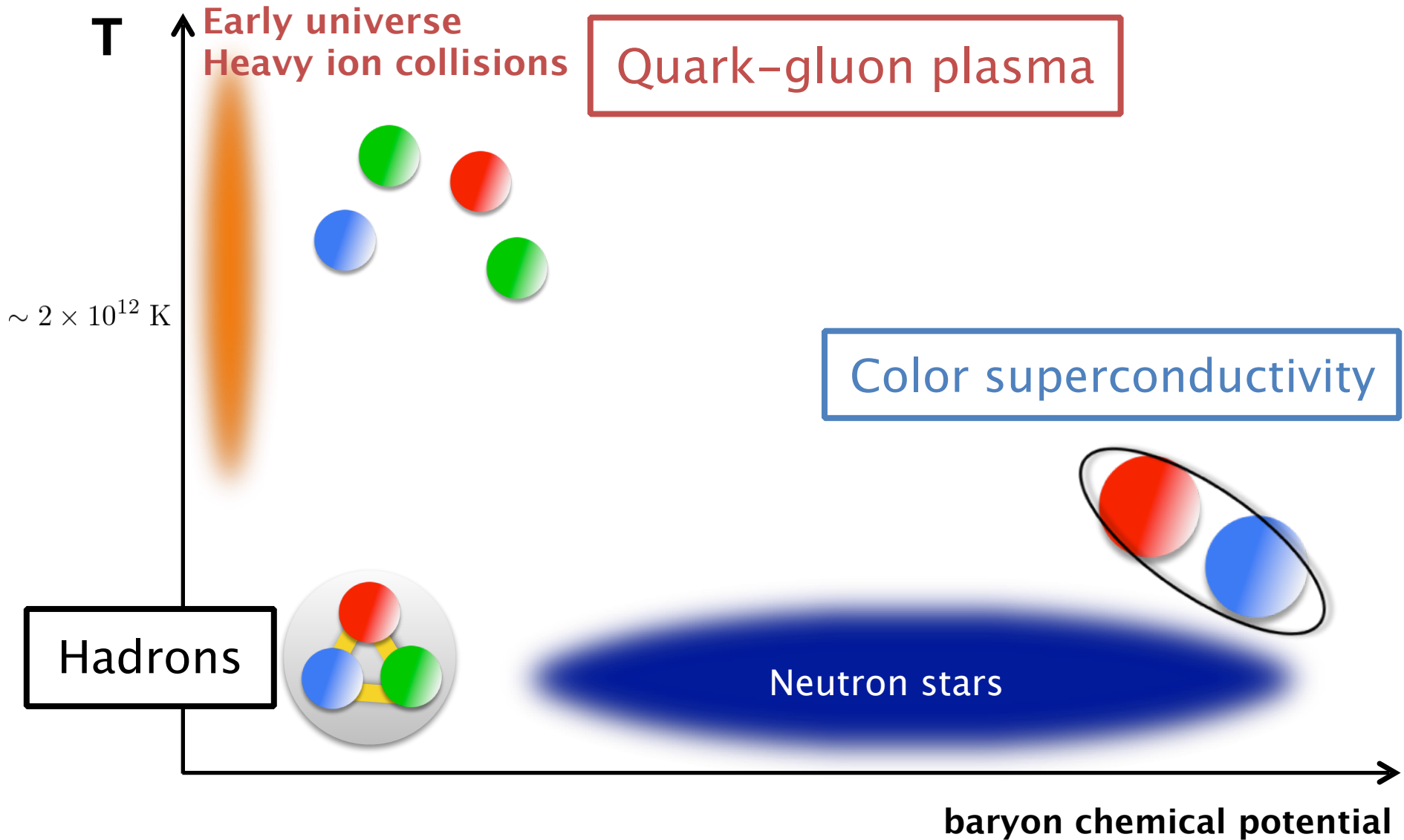
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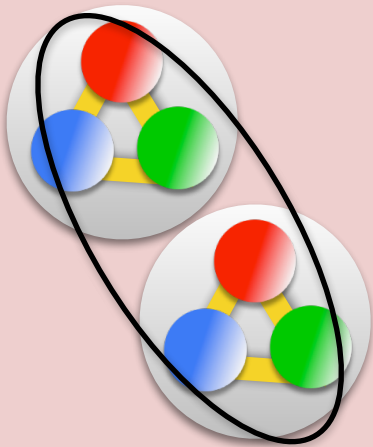
Phases of QCD matter



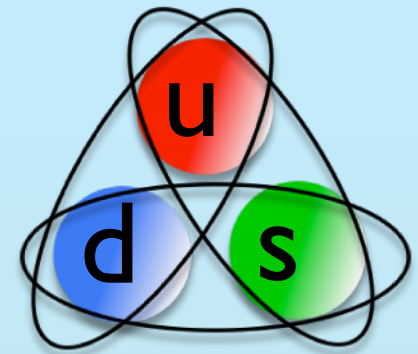
“Quark–hadron continuity”

[Schafer, Wilczek '99]

“Topological order”



Nucleon superfluidity



**Color superconductor
“CFL phase”**

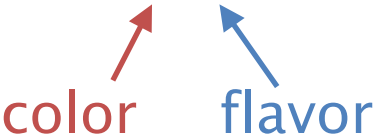
Outline

- Color SC & quark–hadron continuity
- Vortices in CFL phase
- Low–energy effective gauge theory
 - BF theory + massless phonons

Color superconductivity

- Three light quarks with degenerate mass
 - up, down, strange
- Order parameter: diquark condensate

$$\Phi_{\alpha i} = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \epsilon_{ijk} \langle q_{\beta j}^T C q_{\gamma k} \rangle$$



- Symmetry transformation

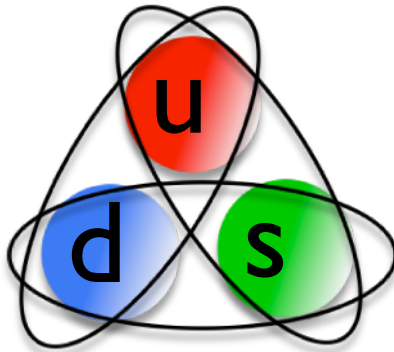
$$\Phi \rightarrow e^{i\theta_B} U_c \Phi U_f^T$$

$$e^{i\theta_B} \in U(1)_B \quad U_c \in SU(3)_c \quad U_f \in SU(3)_f$$

Color-flavor locked phase

- Ground state

$$\Phi = \Delta \mathbf{1} \sim \text{diag} [ud, ds, su]$$



- All the gluons are gapped: **color SC**
- SSB of global U(1): **superfluidity**

“Quark–hadron continuity”

[Schafer, Wilczek '99]

- Global symmetry

$$SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times U(1)_B \rightarrow SU(3)_{L+R}$$

The same in nucleon superfluid & CFL

- Light modes – Nambu–Goldstone bosons

U(1) phonons

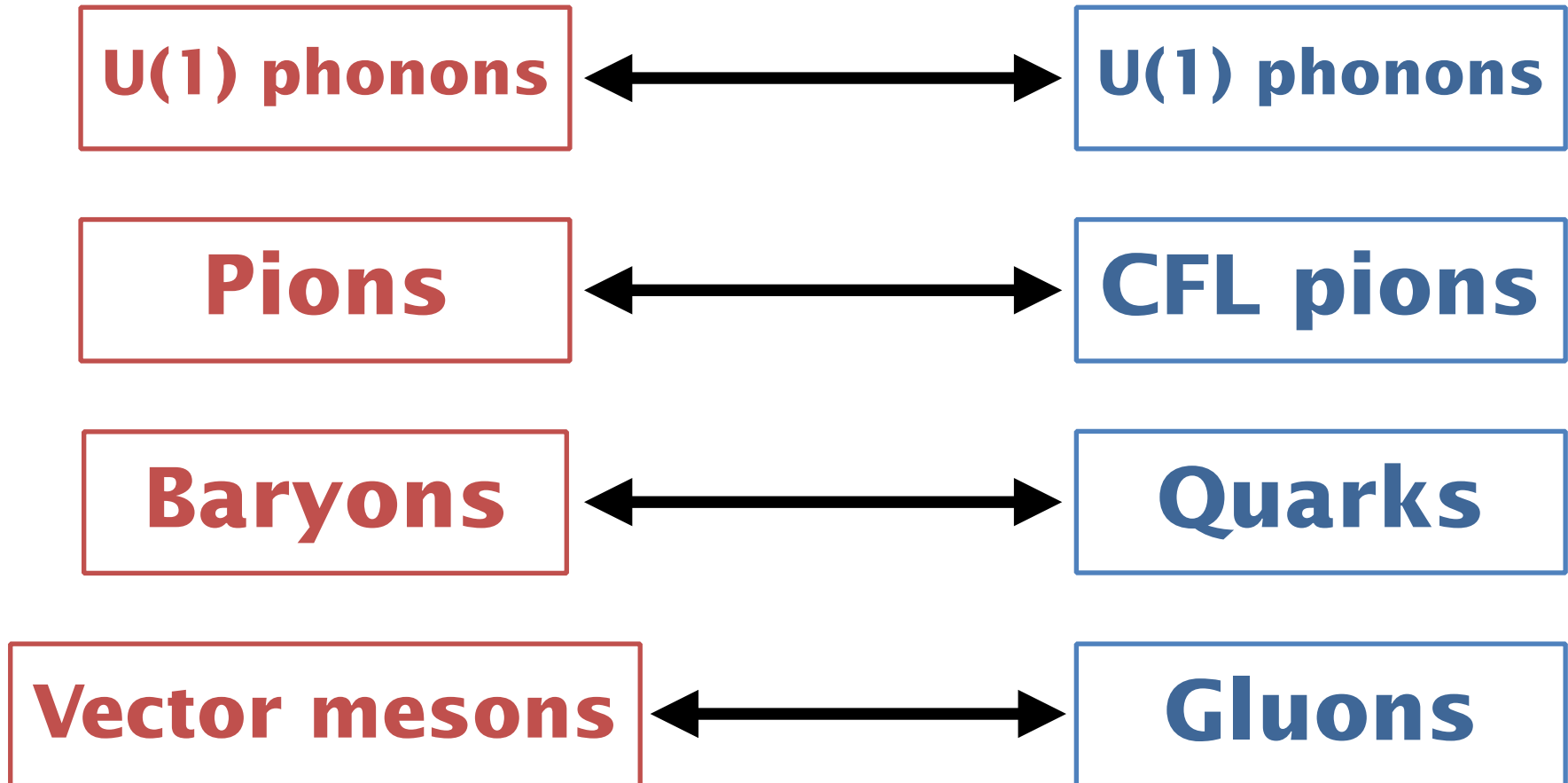
Pions

“Quark–hadron continuity”

[Fukushima, Hatsuda '10]

[Yamamoto, Tachibana, Hatsuda, Baym '07]

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Topological order

[X. G. Wen '90]

- Order that cannot be captured by local order parameters
 - Robust degeneracy of ground states
 - Ex) s-wave SC / FQHE
- Phase transition is needed btw. states with different topological order
- Order parameter: Wilson loop, etc
- “Higher-form symmetry” [Gaiotto, Kapustin, Seiberg, Willett '15]
and its spontaneous breaking

Vortices in CFL

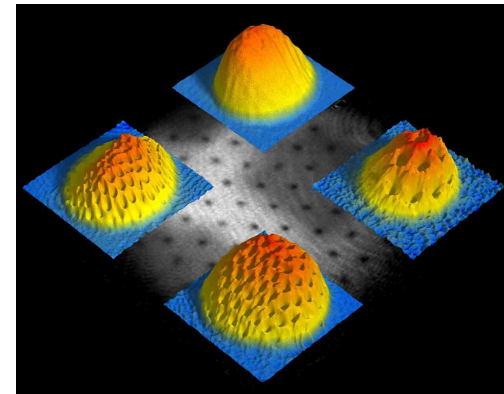
[Balachandran, Digal, Matsuura '06]

[Arata Yamamoto's talk tomorrow]



$$\Phi \sim \text{diag} [e^{i\theta}, 1, 1]$$

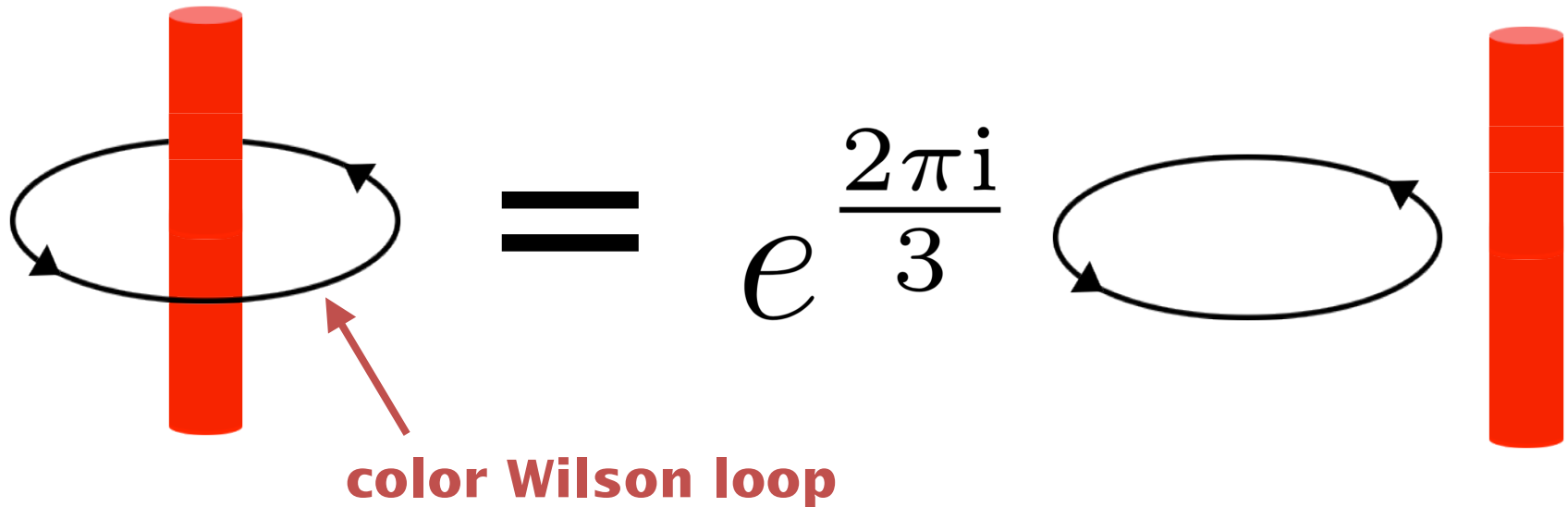
- Quantized (1/3) superfluid circulation
- Color magnetic flux
- Rotating neutron star



Fractional statistics of vortices & particles

[Cherman, Sen, Yaffe 1808.04827]

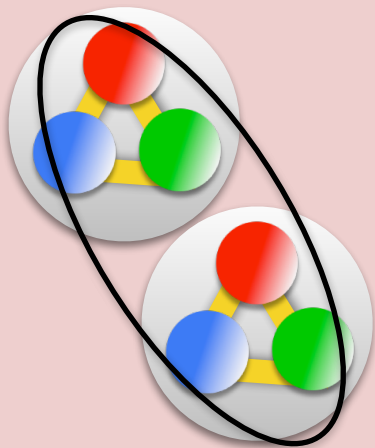
Z₃ braiding phases



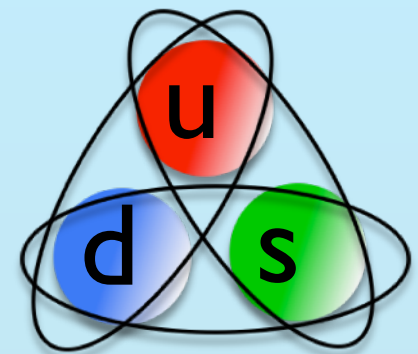
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Low-effective theory for CFL

- We consider degenerate masses for u, d, s
- Massless degrees of freedom:

U(1) phonons

- Fractional statistics
- Correlation of **U(1) circulation**
& **color holonomy**

Dual effective gauge theory – SC

BF theory for superconductivity

- Abelian Higgs model

$$S = \frac{1}{2g^2} |d\phi + ka|^2 - \frac{1}{2} |da|^2$$



$$\frac{g^2}{8\pi^2} \int h \wedge *h - \frac{i}{2\pi} \int h \wedge (d\phi + ka)$$

- EOM for ϕ : $dh = 0 \rightarrow h = db$

$$S = \frac{g^2}{8\pi^2} |db|^2 + \frac{ik}{2\pi} \int b \wedge da$$

BF theory for superconductivity

$$S_{\text{BF}} = \frac{ik}{2\pi} \int b \wedge da$$

- Physical observables

Wilson loop operator

$$W(C) = \exp i \int_C a$$

C : world line of a quasiparticle

Vortex operator

$$V(S) = \exp i \int_S b$$

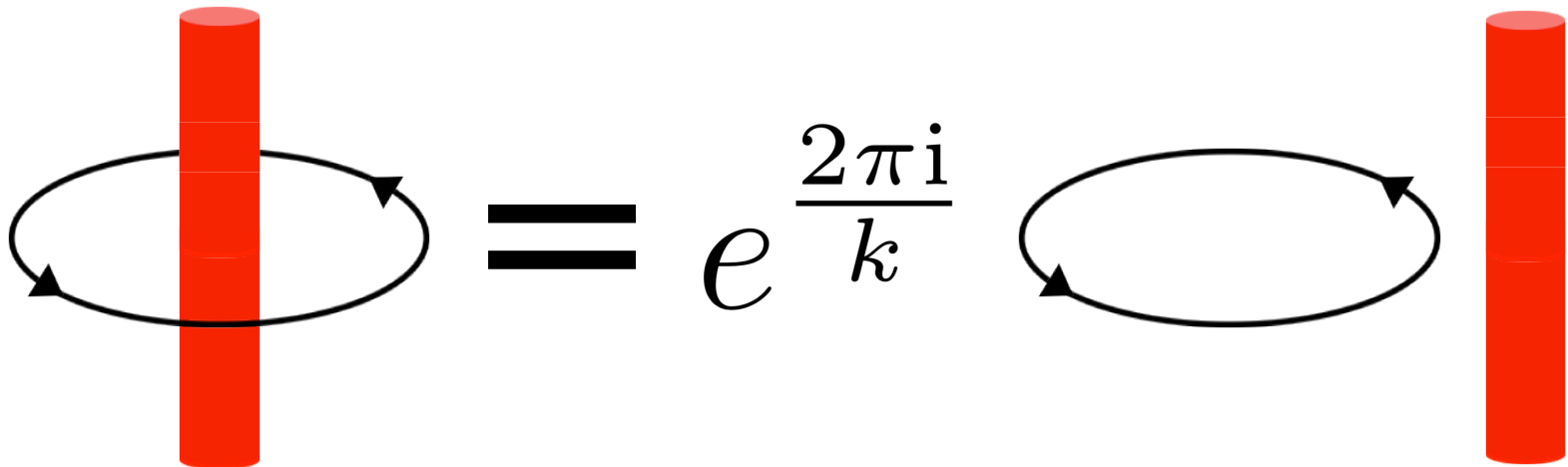
S : world-sheet of a vortex

BF theory for superconductivity

$$S_{\text{BF}} = \frac{ik}{2\pi} \int b \wedge da$$

$$\langle W(C)V(S) \rangle = \exp \frac{2\pi i}{k} \text{link}(C, S)$$

Fractional statistics of quasiparticles & vortices



BF theory for superconductivity

$$S_{\text{BF}} = \frac{ik}{2\pi} \int b \wedge da$$

- Emergent \mathbb{Z}_k 1-form & 2-form symmetry

$$a \mapsto a + \frac{1}{k} a' \quad da' = 0 \quad \int a' \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$$

$$b \mapsto b + \frac{1}{k} b' \quad db' = 0 \quad \int b' \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$$

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$$b \mapsto b + \frac{1}{k} b' \quad e^{\frac{2\pi i}{k} V(S)}$$

Charged objects

BF theory for superconductivity

$$S_{\text{BF}} = \frac{ik}{2\pi} \int b \wedge da$$

- 1-form & 2-form symmetries are **spontaneously broken**

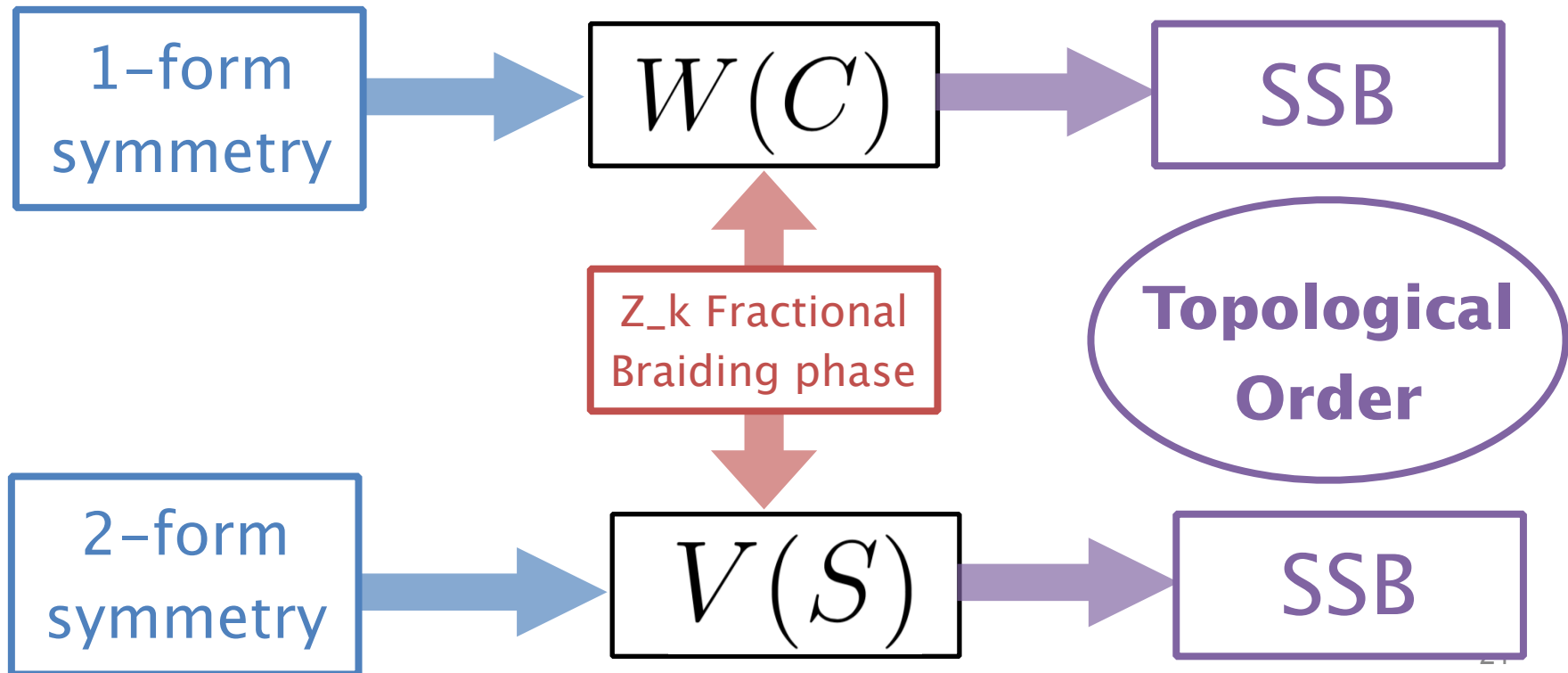
$$\langle W(C) \rangle \sim e^{-\kappa \text{perimeter}(C)}$$

$$\langle V(S) \rangle \sim e^{-\kappa' \text{perimeter}(S)}$$

 **“Topological order”**

BF theory for superconductivity

$$S_{\text{BF}} = \frac{ik}{2\pi} \int b \wedge da$$



Dual effective gauge theory – CFL

[Hirono, Tanizaki 1811.10608]

GL model for CFL

- GL Lagrangian

$$S = \frac{1}{2g_{\text{YM}}^2} |G|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |(d + ia_{SU(3)})\Phi|^2 + V_{\text{eff}}(\Phi^\dagger\Phi, \det(\Phi))$$

- Drop amplitude fluctuations kinetic term of the gauge field

- Fix the gauge so that $\Phi = \Delta_0 \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\phi_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\phi_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\phi_3} \end{pmatrix}$

$$S = \frac{1}{2g_0^2} (|d\phi_1 + a_3 + a_8|^2 + |d\phi_2 - a_3 + a_8|^2 + |d\phi_3 - 2a_8|^2)$$

- Go to dual: $\phi_i \rightarrow b_i$

Dual theory for CFL

$$S = \frac{1}{2} G_{ij} d(b_0)_i \wedge *d(b_0)_j + \frac{i}{2\pi} K_{iA} \int b_i \wedge da_A$$

Phonons

BF term

$$i = 1, 2, 3 \quad A = 1, 2$$

- Topological BF theory coupled with massless superfluid phonons
- K matrix
 - not square
 - $\dim \text{coker } K = (\# \text{ of massless phonons})$

Dual theory for CFL

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- Physical observables

$$W_{\mathbf{q}}(C) = \exp i q_A \int_C a_A$$

$$V_{\mathbf{p}}(S) = \exp i p_i \int_S b_i$$

Phonons

Dual theory for CFL

$$S = \frac{1}{2} G_{ij} d(b_0)_i \wedge *d(b_0)_j + \frac{i}{2\pi} K_{iA} \int b_i \wedge da_A$$

$$\frac{\langle W_{\mathbf{q}}(C) V_{\mathbf{p}}(S) \rangle}{\langle W_{\mathbf{q}}(C) \rangle \langle V_{\mathbf{p}}(S) \rangle} = \exp [2\pi i q_A K_{Ai}^+ p_i \text{link}(C, S)]$$

K_{Ai}^+ is the Moore–Penrose inverse of K_{iA}

Massless phonons

$$(b_0)_i = P_{ij}^b b_j \quad P_{ij}^b = \delta_{ij} - [K K^+]_{ij}$$

Dual theory for CFL

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$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow K^+ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Physical charge vectors

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow q_A K_{Ai}^+ p_i$$

Z3 fractional statistics

Dual theory for CFL

$$S = \frac{1}{2} G_{ij} d(b_0)_i \wedge *d(b_0)_j + \frac{i}{2\pi} K_{iA} \int b_i \wedge da_A$$

Discrete (Z3) 2-form symmetry

$$b_i \mapsto b_i + q_A K_{Ai}^+ \lambda$$

$$d\lambda = 0 \quad \int \lambda \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$$

No discrete 1-form symmetry

2-form symmetry is unbroken

- Vortices are log-confined because of massless phonons

$$\langle V(S) \rangle \sim \exp[-cTL \ln L]$$

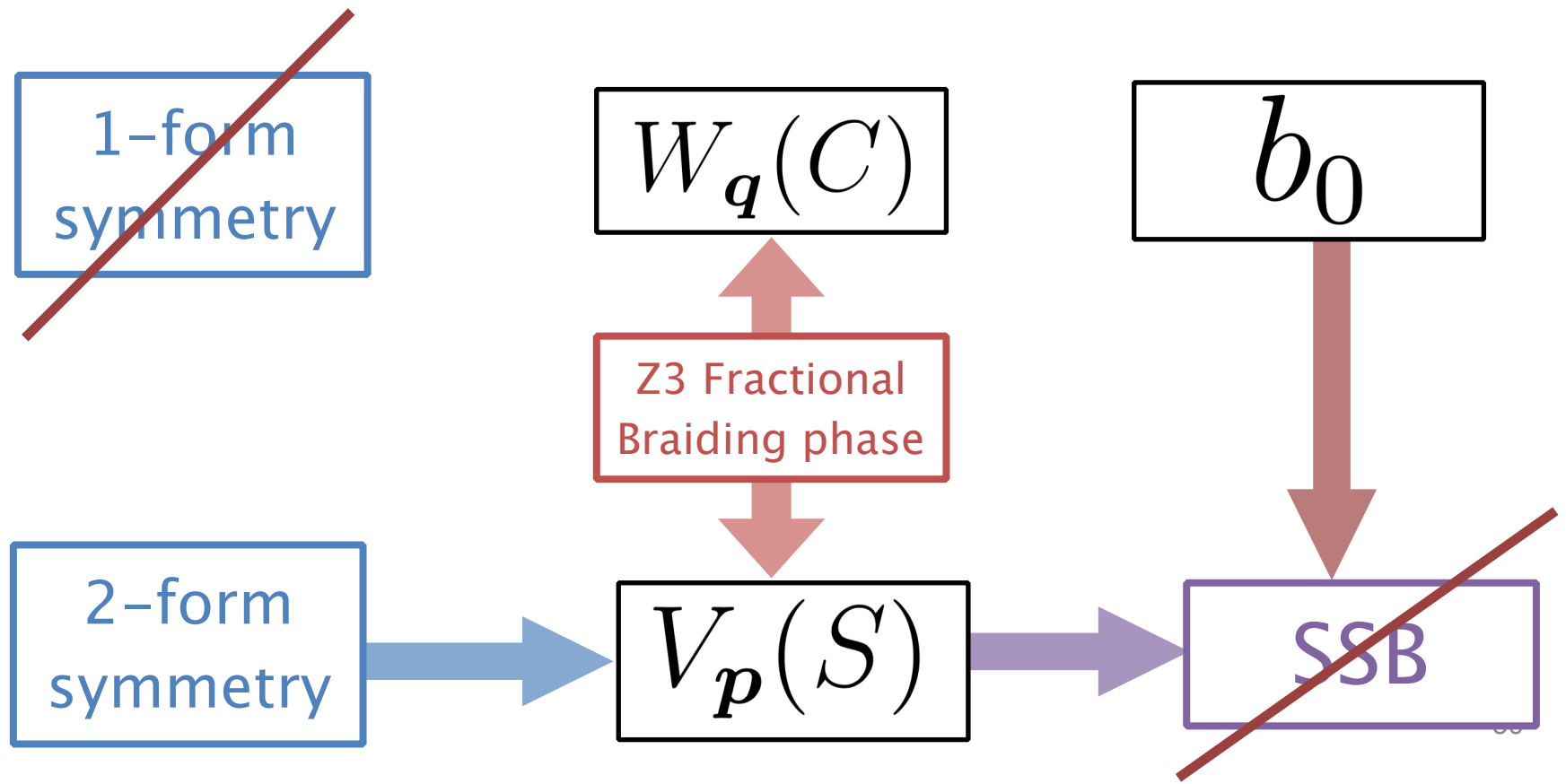
No topological degeneracy of the ground states

- \mathbb{Z}_3 2-form symmetry $\subset U(1)$ 2-form symmetry
- Continuous 2-form symmetry cannot be broken in 4D (Coleman–Mermin–Wagner theorem)
 - p -form symmetry cannot be broken if $d - p \leq 2$

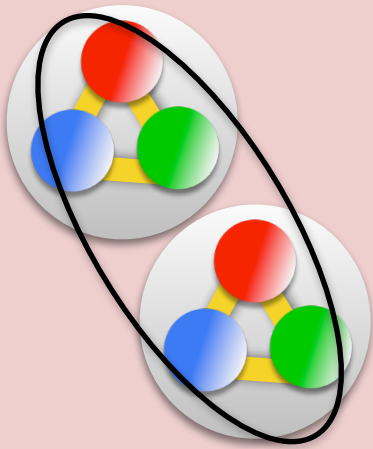
Summary

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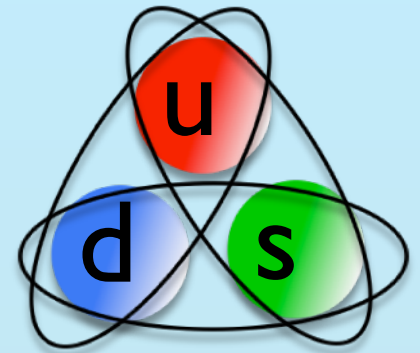
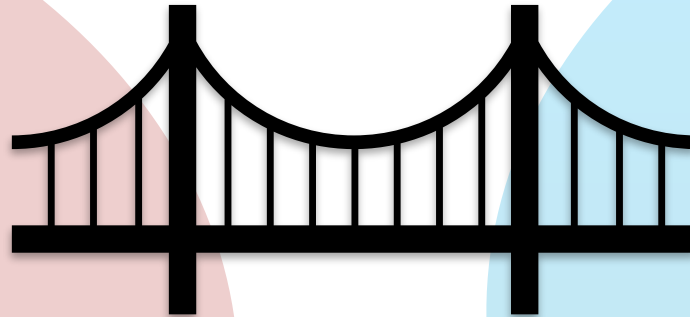
massless phonons



Summary



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