

Course Announcement : Physics 230, Spring 2019
Quantum Hall Effect
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Tentative outline:

1. Preliminaries
 - (a) Drude transport, conductance *vs.* conductivity
 - (b) Semiclassical equations of motion
 - (c) Magnetic translation operators, Landau levels, and wavefunctions
 - (d) LL projection and LL mixing
 - (e) Landau levels for Dirac materials
 - (f) Lattice models: Hofstadter's model and Landau subbands
 - (g) Math stuff
 - i. Fiber bundles: connection and curvature
 - ii. TKNN formula and Chern numbers
2. Integer Quantum Hall Effect
 - (a) Continuum percolation in the classical and quantum limits
 - (b) The integer quantum Hall transition
 - i. Network models of quantum percolation
 - ii. Charge pumping and Laughlin's gauge argument
 - iii. Numerical simulations
 - iv. Scaling theory
 - (c) Lattice systems: Chern insulators
 - (d) Hall conductance and edge states
 - (e) Skyrmions
3. Fractional quantum Hall effect
 - (a) Laughlin's wavefunctions at $\nu = 1/m$
 - i. Haldane pseudopotentials
 - ii. The two-dimensional one-component plasma
 - iii. Quasielectrons and quasiholes
 - iv. Fractional charge and statistics
 - v. Collective excitations: magnetophonons and magnetorotons
 - (b) Hierarchical constructions for $\nu \neq 1/m$
 - i. Halperin-Haldane hierarchy: quasiparticle condensates
 - ii. Jain's construction: composite fermions
 - (c) Competing states
 - i. Wigner crystallization
 - ii. Stripes and bubble phases in higher LLs
 - (d) Continuum field theories

- i. Chern-Simons Ginzburg-Landau theory
- ii. Vortex excitations and fractional statistics
- iii. Hierarchical states: the Wen-Zee K -matrix construction
- iv. Chiral Luttinger liquid theory of edge excitations

4. Exotica

- (a) Multilayer systems and QHE ferromagnetism
- (b) Coupled wire constructions
- (c) The half-filled Landau level
 - i. Halperin-Lee-Read theory of the $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$ Fermi liquid
 - ii. Son's model: Dirac fermions
 - iii. Moore-Read Pfaffian state and Majorana quasiparticles
- (d) Read-Rezayi states and parafermions

Suggested resources:

Z. F. Ezawa, *Quantum Hall Effects* (3rd edition, World Scientific, 2013)

E. Fradkin, *Field Theories of Condensed Matter Physics* (Cambridge, 2013)

A. H. MacDonald, Introduction to the Physics of the Quantum Hall Regime,
[arXiv:cond-mat/9410047](#)

S. M. Girvin, The Quantum Hall Effect: Novel Excitations and Broken Symmetries,
[arXiv:cond-mat/9907002](#)

D. Tong, Lectures on the Quantum Hall Effect
[arXiv:1606.06687](#)

A. Stern, Anyons and the quantum Hall effect – A pedagogical review
Ann. Phys. **33**, 204 (2008)