

# Anyon superconductivity in a Chern–Simons–Landau–Ginzburg theory of the fractional quantum Hall effect

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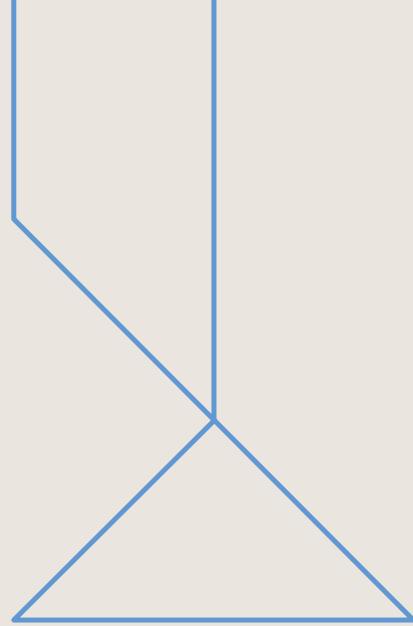
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# Motivation

# Motivation

- ZHK model provides an effective field theory for the fractional quantum Hall effect<sup>1</sup>
- Describes the system as a condensate of anyons coupled to a Chern–Simons gauge field
- We extend that idea to a relativistic setting
  - ⇒ Vortices act as flux–charge composites with superconducting behavior<sup>2</sup>
- Previous studies introduce auxiliary neutral scalar field to make the model self-dual<sup>3</sup>
- Others consider a generalization with a scalar-field-dependent dielectric function<sup>4</sup>, or both<sup>5</sup>
- ⇒ BPS and non-interacting vortices
  - We explicitly do not do this and study **non-BPS** vortex anyons
  - We consider the Chern–Simons–Landau–Ginzburg, or Maxwell–Chern–Simons–Higgs, model

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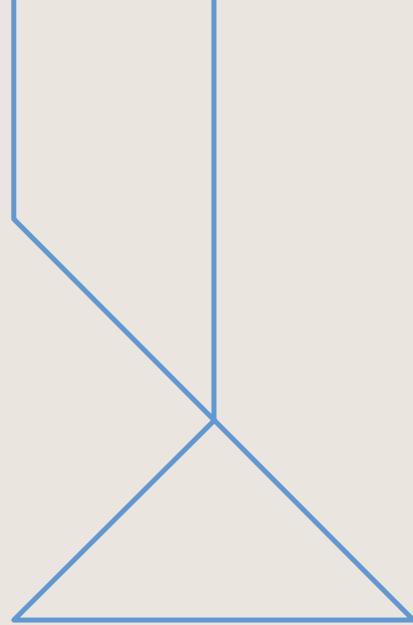
<sup>1</sup>S. C. Zhang, T. H. Hansson, and S. Kivelson, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **62**, 82 (1989)

<sup>2</sup>D.-H. Lee and M. P. A. Fisher, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **63**, 903 (1989)

<sup>3</sup>G. V. Dunne and C. A. Trugenberger, *Rev. D* **43**, 1323 (1991)

<sup>4</sup>P. K. Ghosh, *Phys. Rev. D* **49**, 5458 (1994)

<sup>5</sup>J. Andrade, R. Casana, and E. da Hora, *Phys. Rev. D* **111**, 036019 (2025)



Chern–Simons–Landau–Ginzburg theory

## Model setup and parameters

- Superconducting order parameter / condensate / Higgs field  $\psi : \mathbb{R}^{2+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
- Abelian gauge field  $A = (A_0, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathbb{R}^{2+1}$
- Gauge covariant derivative  $D_\mu = \partial_\mu + iqA_\mu$
- Gauge field strength  $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$
- ⇒ Magnetic field  $B = F_{12}$  and electric field  $E_i = F_{0i}$
- Minkowski spacetime  $\mathbb{R}^{2+1}$ , endowed with metric  $\eta$  and signature  $(+--)$

## CSLG theory

- CSLG theory is a topologically massive gauge theory that is Lorentz invariant
- The CSLG Lagrangian is<sup>6,7</sup>

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} D_\mu \psi \overline{D^\mu \psi} - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - V(|\psi|) + \frac{\kappa}{4} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} A_\alpha F_{\beta\gamma}$$

- First three terms correspond to the Ginzburg–Landau, or abelian Higgs, model
- Last term is the topological Chern–Simons term

$$\mathcal{L}_{CS} = \frac{\kappa}{4} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} A_\alpha F_{\beta\gamma} = \frac{\kappa}{2} (A_0 B - \epsilon_{ij} A_i E_j)$$

- CS term breaks parity (P) and time reversal (T) explicitly, but preserves PT
- We are interested in the effect the CS term has on vortices

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<sup>6</sup>T. Hansson, V. Oganesyan, and S. Sondhi, *Ann. Phys.* 313, 497 (2004)

<sup>7</sup>E. Fradkin, *Phys. Rev. B* 42, 570 (1990)

## Gauss' law

- Static Lagrangian of the CSLG theory is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{static}} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_i A_0)^2 + \frac{\kappa}{2}(A_0 B + \epsilon_{ij} A_i \partial_j A_0) + \frac{1}{2}q^2 A_0^2 |\psi|^2 - \left[ \frac{1}{2} D_i \psi \overline{D_i \psi} + \frac{1}{2} B^2 + V(|\psi|) \right]$$

- Can simplify by an integration by parts

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \epsilon_{ij} A_i \partial_j A_0 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x A_0 B$$

- Hence, static Lagrangian can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{static}} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_i A_0)^2 + \kappa A_0 B + \frac{1}{2}q^2 A_0^2 |\psi|^2 - \left[ \frac{1}{2} D_i \psi \overline{D_i \psi} + \frac{1}{2} B^2 + V(|\psi|) \right]$$

- Varying this w.r.t.  $A_0$  reveals Gauss' law as an elliptic PDE

$$\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_{\text{static}}}{\delta A_0} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (-\nabla^2 + q^2 |\psi|^2) A_0 = -\kappa B$$

## Maxwell charge

- Gauss' law enforces that electric charge and magnetic flux are not independent
- The electric field is  $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla A_0 \neq \mathbf{0}$
- Compute electric charge density via Maxwell equation & Gauss law

$$(-\nabla^2 + q^2|\psi|^2)A_0 = -\kappa B \quad \Rightarrow \quad \rho_e = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = -\nabla^2 A_0 = -\kappa B - q^2|\psi|^2 A_0$$

- Total electric charge is

$$Q_e = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \rho_e = -\kappa\Phi - q^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x A_0 |\psi|^2, \quad \Phi = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x B$$

- Localized static solutions:  $A_0$  decays exponentially and  $E_i \rightarrow 0$  at spatial infinity  
 $\Rightarrow Q_e = 0$  for localized solutions, and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x q^2 A_0 |\psi|^2 = -\kappa\Phi$$

## Flux-charge binding

- Condensate carries nontrivial internal  $U(1)$  charge  $Q_m$
- Associated Noether (super)current is

$$J_\mu = \frac{iq}{2}(\psi\partial_\mu\bar{\psi} - \bar{\psi}\partial_\mu\psi) + q^2A_\mu|\psi|^2$$

- Corresponding Noether matter charge density

$$\rho_m = J_0 = q^2A_0|\psi|^2$$

- Magnetic flux  $\Phi$  and Noether charge  $Q_m$  are bound together by<sup>8</sup>

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x q^2 A_0 |\psi|^2 = -\kappa\Phi \quad \Rightarrow \quad Q_m = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \rho_m = -\kappa\Phi$$

⇒ Each vortex simultaneously carries a flux quantum  $\Phi$  and a proportional electric charge  $Q_m = -\kappa\Phi$

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<sup>8</sup>S. Deser, R. Jackiw, and S. Templeton, *Ann. Phys.* 281, 409 (2000)

## Flux-charge binding is topological

- The flux-charge binding mechanism is purely topological
- Arises from the Chern–Simons term and Gauss law, Maxwell term plays no part
- Consider the Chern–Simons–Higgs model<sup>9</sup>

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} D_\mu \psi \overline{D^\mu \psi} + \frac{\kappa}{4} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} A_\alpha F_{\beta\gamma} - V(|\psi|)$$

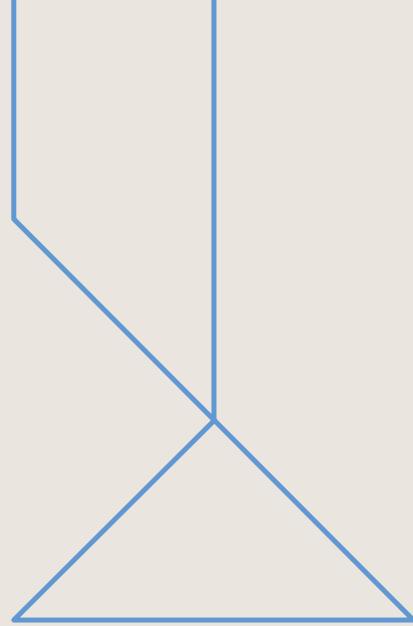
- Gauss' law is algebraic
- Noether charge is still

$$A_0 = -\frac{\kappa B}{q^2 |\psi|^2}$$

$$Q_m = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x q^2 A_0 |\psi|^2 = -\kappa \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x B = -\kappa \Phi$$

- This is the flux–charge binding mechanism → purely topological, enforced by the CS term

<sup>9</sup>S. A. Parameswaran, S. A. Kivelson, E. H. Rezayi, S. H. Simon, S. L. Sondhi, and B. Z. Spivak, *Phys. Rev. B* **85**, 241307 (2012)



Vortex anyons

## Static energy

- The static energy of the CSLG theory is

$$\mathcal{E} = -\mathcal{L}_{\text{static}} = \frac{1}{2} D_i \psi \overline{D_i \psi} + \frac{1}{2} B^2 + V(|\psi|) - \frac{1}{2} (\partial_i A_0)^2 - \kappa A_0 B - \frac{1}{2} q^2 A_0^2 |\psi|^2$$

- At a first glance this appears not to be bounded from below
- Inner product of Gauss' law with the  $A_0$  and integrating by parts gives

$$-\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \kappa A_0 B = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \left[ -A_0 \partial_i \partial_i A_0 + q^2 |\psi|^2 A_0^2 \right] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \left[ (\partial_i A_0)^2 + q^2 |\psi|^2 A_0^2 \right]$$

- Using this relation yields an energy that is positive (semi-)definite and bounded below

$$E = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \psi|^2 + \frac{1}{2} B^2 + V(|\psi|) + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla A_0|^2 + \frac{1}{2} q^2 A_0^2 |\psi|^2 \right\}$$

## Non-local $\rightarrow$ constrained local

- Static vortex anyons are minimizers of the static energy

$$E = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{D}\psi|^2 + \frac{1}{2} B^2 + V(|\psi|) + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla A_0|^2 + \frac{1}{2} q^2 A_0^2 |\psi|^2 \right\}$$

subject to Gauss' law

$$(-\nabla^2 + q^2 |\psi|^2) A_0 = -\kappa B$$

- As the energy is bounded below  $\Rightarrow$  amenable to minimization methods
- This is inherently a non-local problem, but has been reformulated as a constrained minimization problem
- Challenges of this type are not unique to the CSLG framework
- They arise more broadly across both condensed matter and high energy physics

## Non-local problems in high energy & condensed matter physics

- Nuclear skyrmions stabilized by  $\omega$ -mesons<sup>10,11</sup> (Skyrme field -  $\varphi \in \text{SU}(2)$ , potential -  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ ):

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{8} |\mathrm{d}\varphi|^2 + \frac{1}{4} V(\varphi) + \frac{1}{2} |\mathrm{d}\omega|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \omega^2, \quad (-\nabla^2 + 1) \omega = -c_\omega \mathcal{B}_0$$

- Demagnetization in chiral magnets<sup>12</sup> (Magnetization -  $\mathbf{n} \in S^2$ , magnetic potential -  $\psi \in \mathbb{R}$ ):

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{J}{2} |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{n}|^2 + \mathcal{D} \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{d}_i \cdot (\mathbf{n} \times \partial_i \mathbf{n}) + V(\mathbf{n}) + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} |\mathrm{d}\psi|^2, \quad -\nabla^2 \psi = -\mu_0 M_s [\nabla \cdot \mathbf{n}]$$

- Flexoelectric self-polarization in chiral liquid crystals<sup>13</sup> (Director -  $\mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{R}P^2$ , electric potential -  $\varphi \in \mathbb{R}$ ):

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{K}{2} |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{n}|^2 + Kq_0 [\mathbf{n} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{n})] + V(\mathbf{n}) + \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} |\mathrm{d}\varphi|^2, \quad -\nabla^2 \varphi = -\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} [\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}_f(\mathbf{n})]$$

<sup>10</sup>S. B. Gudnason and M. Speight, *J. High Energ. Phys.* 07, 184 (2020)

<sup>11</sup>D. Harland, P. Leask, and M. Speight, *J. High Energ. Phys.* 06, 116 (2024)

<sup>12</sup>P. Leask and M. Speight, [arXiv:2504.17772 \[cond-mat.mes-hall\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2504.17772)

<sup>13</sup>P. Leask, *Phys. Rev. Res.* 7, 043001 (2025)

## Constrained Newton flow

- Problems of this nature are well-suited to the **constrained Newton flow** method<sup>14</sup>
- Static vortex anyons are critical points of the static energy
- ⇒ Solutions of static Ginzburg–Landau equations

$$D_i D_i \psi = 2 \frac{\partial V}{\partial \bar{\psi}} - q^2 A_0^2 \psi, \quad \partial_j (\partial_j A_i - \partial_i A_j) = J_i - \kappa \epsilon_{ij} \partial_j A_0$$

- Must also satisfy Gauss' law  $(-\partial_i \partial_i + q^2 |\psi|^2) A_0 = -\kappa B$
- We reformulate Gauss constraint as an unconstrained optimization problem

$$\min_{\psi \text{ const.}} F(A_0), \quad F(A_0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} |\nabla A_0|^2 + \frac{1}{2} q^2 |\psi|^2 A_0^2 + \kappa B A_0 \right\}$$

- Solve using non-linear conjugate gradient descent with line search strategy
- Conjugate step-size updated using Polak–Ribière–Polyak method

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<sup>14</sup>The CUDA code for this method in the CSLG theory is available on my public github repository <https://github.com/PaulLeask/cuSuperAnyon>

## Constrained Newton flow

- We now solve the static GL equations, assuming  $A_0$  satisfies the Gauss constraint
- ⇒ Arrested Newton flow<sup>15</sup>: Accelerated gradient descent method with flow arresting criteria
- Formulate the minimization as a second order dynamical problem and solve the second order system

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{2}D_i D_i \psi - \frac{\partial V}{\partial \bar{\psi}} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 A_0^2 \psi, \quad \frac{d^2A_i}{dt^2} = \partial_j(\partial_j A_i - \partial_i A_j) - J_i + \kappa \epsilon_{ij} \partial_j A_0,$$

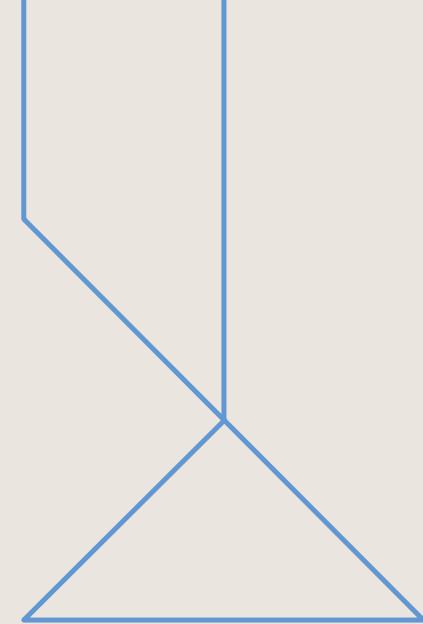
- Can be reduced to a coupled first order system ⇒ solve using RK4
- As initial configuration, we use an extended Abrikosov–Nielsen–Olesen (ANO) ansatz<sup>16,17</sup>

$$\psi = m\phi(r)e^{iN\theta}, \quad \mathbf{A} = \frac{Na(r)}{qr} (\sin \theta, -\cos \theta), \quad A_0 = -\frac{\kappa B}{q^2 m^2}$$

<sup>15</sup>S. B. Gudnason and J. M. Speight, *J. High Energ. Phys.* 07, 184 (2020)

<sup>16</sup>A. Abrikosov, *J. Phys. Chem. Solids.* 2, 199 (1957)

<sup>17</sup>H. B. Nielsen and P. Olesen, *Nucl. Phys. B* 61, 45 (1973)



Hybrid superconducting typology

## Abelian Higgs model

- Consider AH model with the conventional quartic Higgs potential

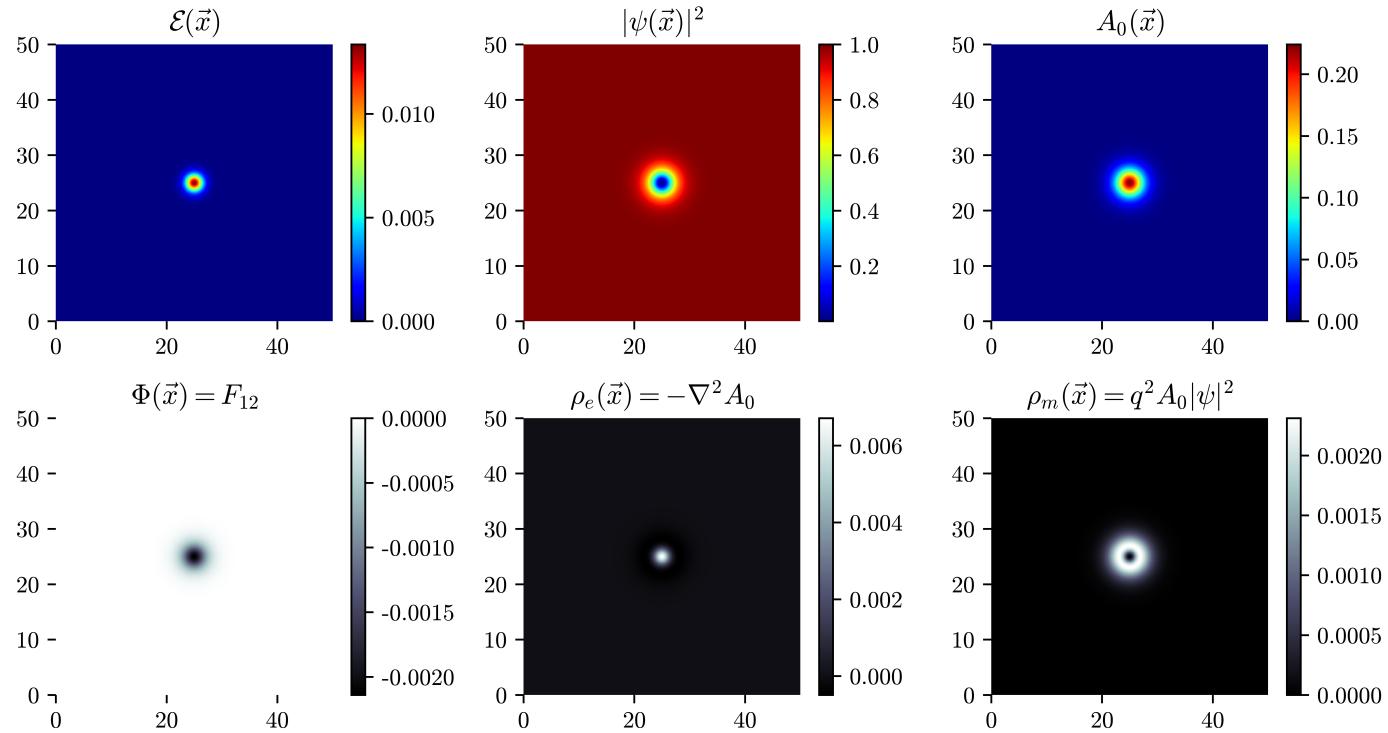
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} D_\mu \psi \overline{D^\mu \psi} - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - V(|\psi|), \quad V(|\psi|) = \frac{\lambda}{8} (m^2 - |\psi|^2)^2$$

- Higgs mass  $m_H = \sqrt{\lambda}m$ , coherence length  $\xi_s = 1/m_H$
- Proca mass  $m_A = qm$ , magnetic penetration depth  $\xi_m = 1/m_A$
- GL parameter dictating superconducting typology is  $\kappa_{\text{GL}} = \xi_m/\xi_s = \sqrt{\lambda}/q$ :
  - $\sqrt{\lambda} < q$ : Type-I, attractive intervortex force
  - $\sqrt{\lambda} > q$ : Type-II, repulsive intervortex force
  - $\sqrt{\lambda} = q$ : BPS, no intervortex force

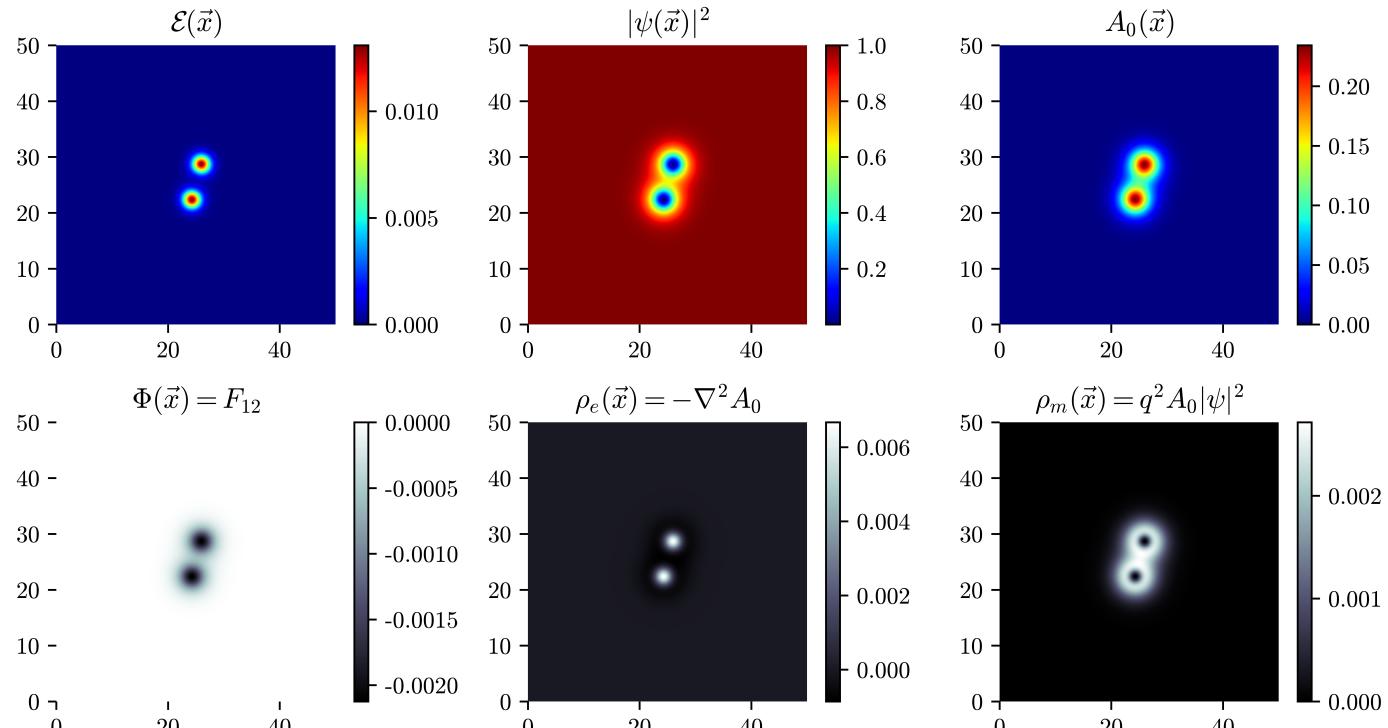
## Anyon bound states

- CSLG theory: type-I/II dichotomy is broken
- Each vortex carries a magnetic flux + proportional Noether electric charge  
⇒ Induces electrostatic repulsion between vortices
- In the typical type-II repulsive regime ( $\kappa > 1$ ), the repulsive interaction force is now stronger
- At critical coupling  $\lambda = 1$ , vortices now repel one another
- In the type-I attractive regime ( $\lambda < 1$ ),  $\kappa$  can force vortex cores (zeros of  $\psi$ ) to split
- If  $\kappa$  is large, the interaction force becomes entirely repulsive
- For relatively small  $\kappa$ , vortex cores split but remain bounded

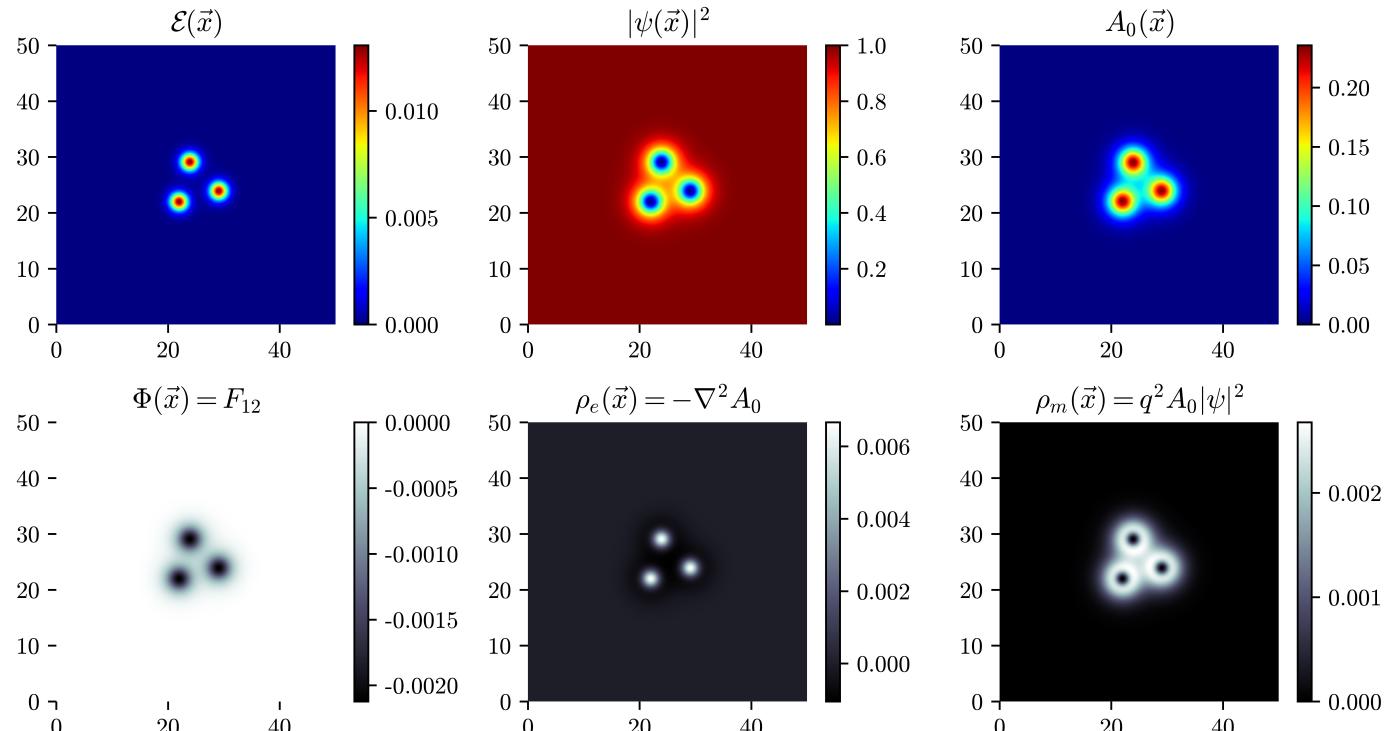
$E/N=2.9063, N=-1.0001, Q_m/(-\kappa\Phi_0)=-1.0006, Q_e=0.0002$  ( $\lambda=0.5, m=1.0, \kappa=0.50$ )



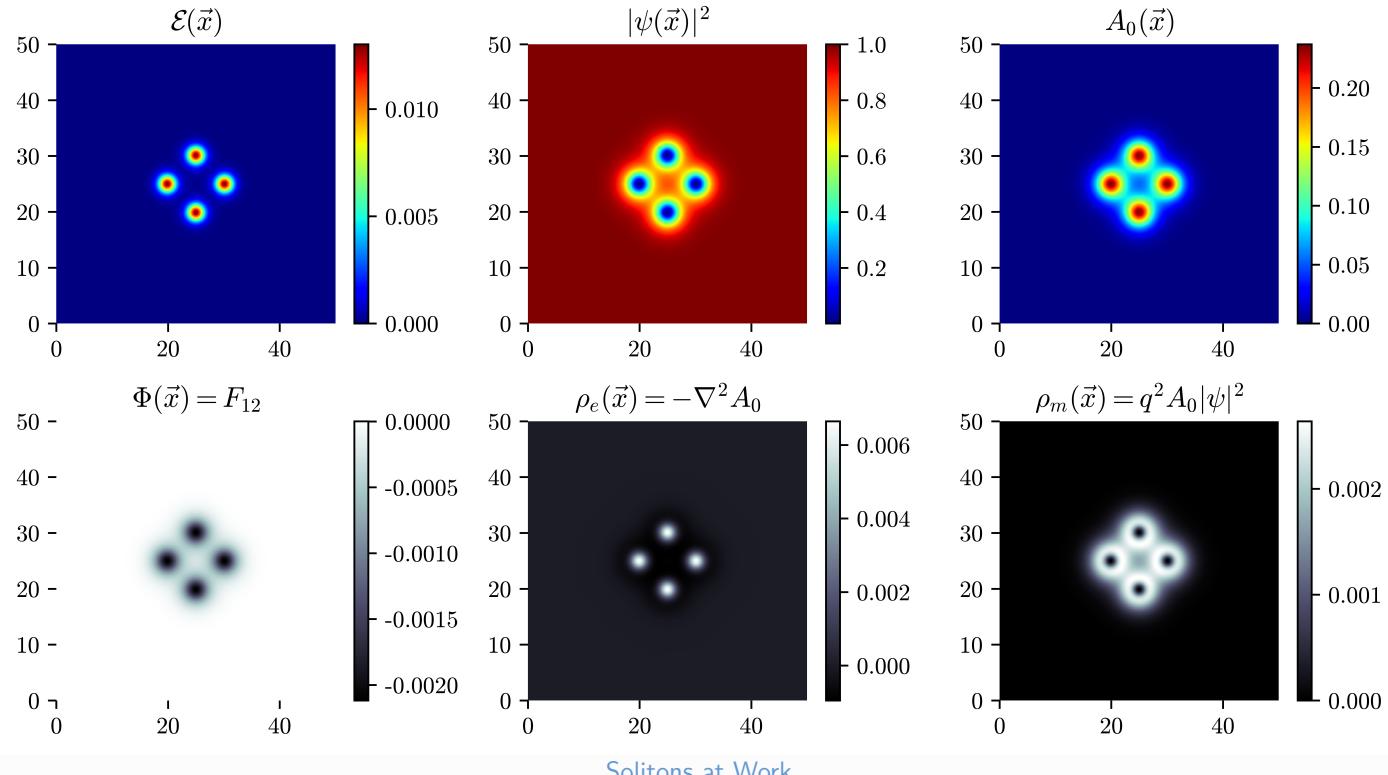
$E/N=2.9055, N=-1.9999, Q_m/(-\kappa\Phi_0)=-1.9999, Q_e=0.0001$  ( $\lambda=0.5, m=1.0, \kappa=0.50$ )



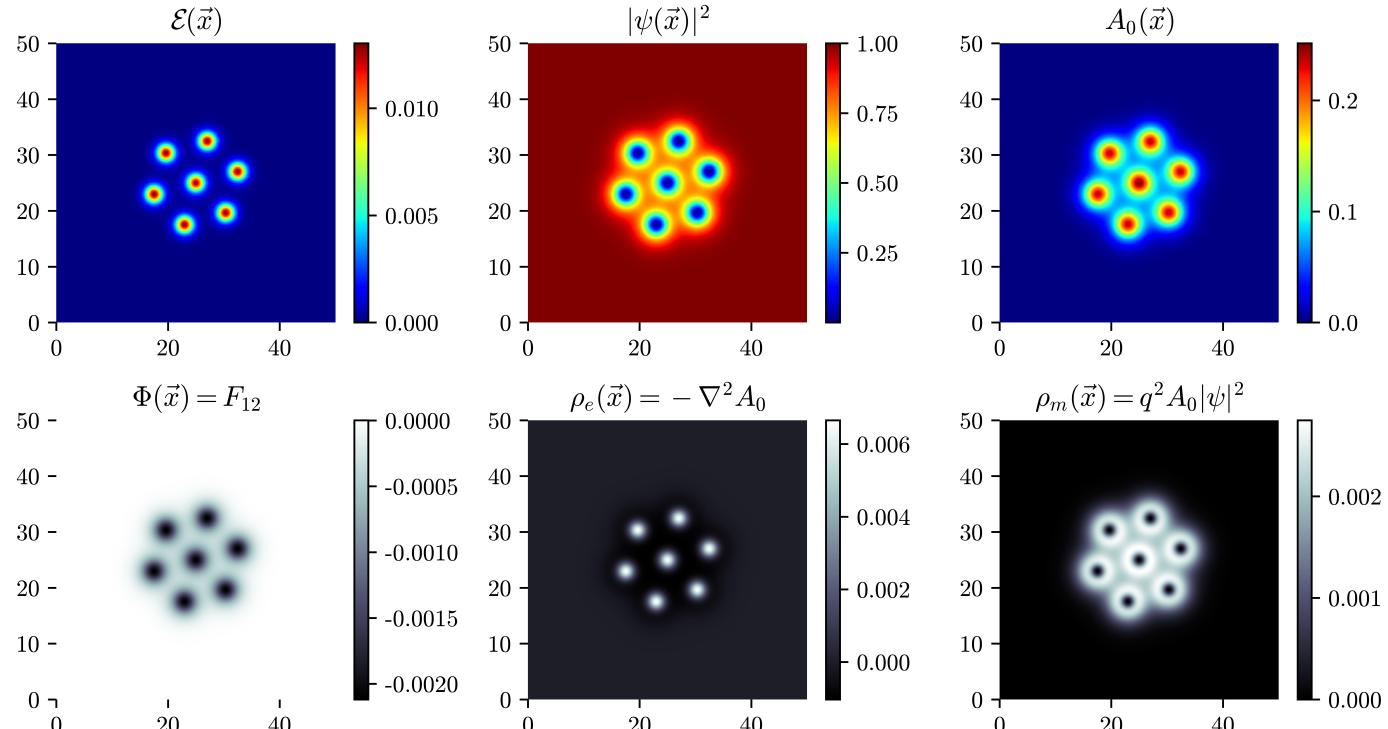
$E/N=2.9047, N=-2.9997, Q_m/(-\kappa\Phi_0)=-2.9999, Q_e=0.0001$  ( $\lambda=0.5, m=1.0, \kappa=0.50$ )



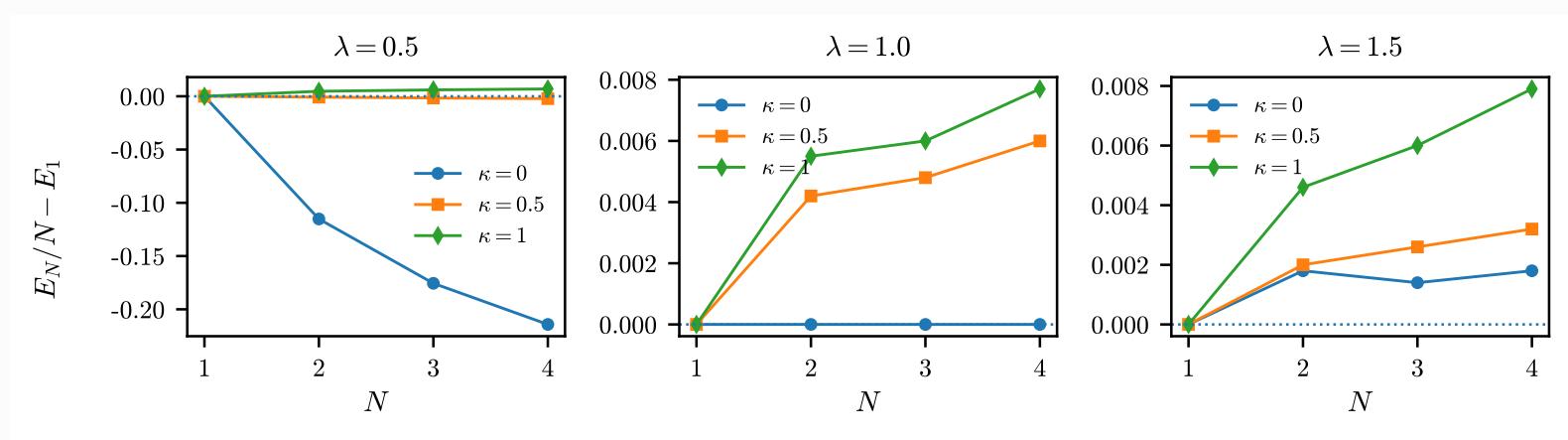
$E/N=2.9041, N=-3.9997, Q_m/(-\kappa\Phi_0)=-3.9998, Q_e=0.0002$  ( $\lambda=0.5, m=1.0, \kappa=0.50$ )



$E/N=2.9036, N=-6.9995, Q_m/(-\kappa\Phi_0)=-6.9994, Q_e=0.0003$  ( $\lambda=0.5, m=1.0, \kappa=0.50$ )

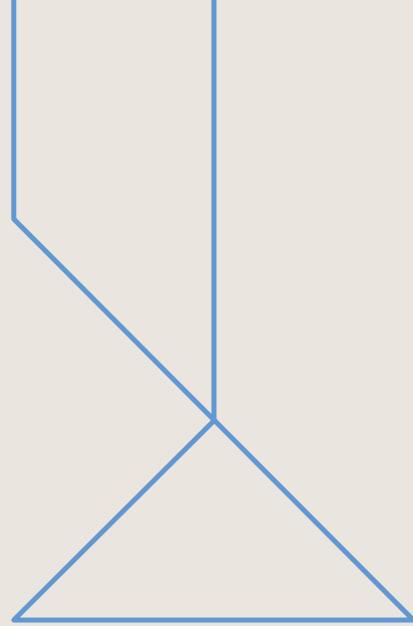


## Binding energies



## Hybrid superconductivity

- Consider the type-I regime ( $\lambda < 1$ ) with  $\kappa$  large enough to cause core splitting
- Binding energy remains negative and interaction energy is non-monotonic
  - ⇒ Bound stable multi-vortex anyon states
  - ⇒ Hybridization of type I/II superconductivity behavior
- Look to understand long-range interactions for clues
- Must first consider the static screening structure and penetration depths



## Screening structure

## Dynamical gauge masses

- Let us focus on the gauge field by considering the abelian Maxwell–Chern–Simons Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\kappa}{4}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}A_\mu F_{\nu\rho} + \frac{1}{2}m_A^2 A_\mu A^\mu$$

- $m_A = qm$  is the usual Higgs (Proca) mass from symmetry breaking
- Equation of motion for  $A_\mu$  (in the Lorenz gauge  $\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$ ) after Fourier transforming  $\partial_\mu \mapsto ip_\mu$  is

$$[(p^2 - m_A^2)\eta_{\mu\nu} + i\kappa\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho}p^\rho] A^\nu = 0, \quad p = (\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

- Inverse propagator in momentum space (Green's operator) is

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mu\nu}^{-1}(p) = (p^2 - m_A^2)\eta_{\mu\nu} + i\kappa\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho}p^\rho$$

- For a massive excitation at rest ( $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}$ ), the dynamical gauge masses are the propagator poles

$$\det \mathcal{D}^{-1}(\omega, \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega_\pm^2 = M_\pm^2, \quad M_\pm = \sqrt{m_A^2 + \frac{\kappa^2}{4}} \pm \frac{\kappa}{2}$$

$$\text{Dynamical gauge masses } M_{\pm} = \sqrt{m_A^2 + \kappa^2/4} \pm \kappa/2$$

- $M_{\pm}$  are physical masses of propagating gauge excitations (topologically massive photons)
- They describe two physical propagating modes with different masses and helicities
- CS term assigns a handedness (chirality) to the gauge field, with helicities having differing masses  
 $\Rightarrow$  Breaks parity and time reversal (each reverses handedness), but combination PT restores it
- Parity breaking “splits”  $B^\mu$  into two on-shell masses  $M_{\pm}$ <sup>18</sup>
- These have associated length scales  $l_{\pm} = 1/M_{\pm}$
- Paul–Khare<sup>19</sup> identifies  $l_{\pm}$  as penetration depths with  $L$  giving rise to an energetically favorable vortex
- Consistency check: abelian Higgs limit  $\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} M_{\pm} = m_A$  and  $\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} l_{\pm} = \lambda = 1/m_A$  ✓

<sup>18</sup>R. D. Pisarski and S. Rao, Phys. Rev. D 32, 2081 (1985)

<sup>19</sup>S. K. Paul and A. Khare, Phys. Lett. B 174, 420 (1986)

## Static far-field asymptotics

- Alternatively: can also obtain static screening masses and penetration depths by considering static long-range asymptotics
- Let us work in the unitary gauge  $\psi \in \mathbb{R}$  and the Coulomb gauge  $\partial_i A_i = 0$
- Linearize about ground state  $\{\psi, A_\mu\} = \{m + \phi, 0 + a_\mu\}$
- Higgs field has mass  $m_H = \sqrt{V''(m)} = m\sqrt{\lambda}$  and Proca mass is  $m_A = qm$
- Slight abuse of notation:  $B = \epsilon_{ij}\partial_i a_j$  and  $E_i = -\partial_i a_0$
- Static energy, linearized about ground state, is

$$E_{\text{lin}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x \left[ \phi \left( -\nabla^2 + m_H^2 \right) \phi \right] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d^2x [B \ a_0] \begin{bmatrix} (-\nabla^2 + m_A^2) & -\kappa \nabla^2 \\ \kappa & (-\nabla^2 + m_A^2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Static far-field asymptotics

- To linear order, Gauss constraint and static Ginzburg–Landau equations reduce to

$$(-\nabla^2 + m_H^2) \phi = 0, \quad (-\nabla^2 + m_A^2) a_i = \kappa \epsilon_{ij} \partial_j a_0, \quad (-\nabla^2 + m_A^2) a_0 = -\kappa B$$

- Higgs-amplitude mode  $\phi$  decouples giving a static Klein-Gordon equation
- Taking the curl of the linearized gauge field equation yields

$$(-\nabla^2 + m_A^2) B = \kappa \nabla^2 a_0 \tag{*}$$

- Applying the Laplace operator to the linearized Gauss' law gives

$$(-\nabla^2 + m_A^2) \nabla^2 a_0 = -\kappa \nabla^2 B \tag{**}$$

- Applying the operator  $(-\nabla^2 + m_A^2)$  to  $(*)$  and using relation  $(**)$ , gives a scalar decoupled fourth order equation for the magnetic field

$$\left[ (-\nabla^2 + m_A^2)^2 + \kappa^2 \nabla^2 \right] B = 0$$

## Static screening masses

- Magnetic field and electric field satisfy same linearized field equations,  $\Delta_\kappa B = 0$  and  $\Delta_\kappa E_i = 0$ , where

$$\Delta_\kappa = \left[ (-\nabla^2 + m_A^2)^2 + \kappa^2 \nabla^2 \right] = (\nabla^2 - m_+^2)(\nabla^2 - m_-^2)$$

- Takes same form as linearized field equation for OP in superfluids with fermionic imbalance<sup>20</sup>
- $\Delta_\kappa$  can be factorized into **complex**-conjugate eigenmodes  $m_\pm$  (static screening masses)<sup>21</sup>

$$m_\pm = \sqrt{m_A^2 - \frac{\kappa^2}{4}} \pm i \frac{\kappa}{2}$$

- These masses do not agree with our computation of the dynamical gauge masses  $M_\pm \in \mathbb{R}$ ...

<sup>20</sup>M. Barkman, A. Samoilenga, T. Winyard, and E. Babaev, *Phys. Rev. Res.* 2, 043282 (2020)

<sup>21</sup>M. Stålhammar, D. Rudneva, T. H. Hansson, and F. Wilczek, *Phys. Rev. B* 109, 064514 (2024)

## Penetration depths: dynamical gauge or static screening?

- Dynamical gauge masses  $M_{\pm} \in \mathbb{R}$ , whereas static screening masses  $m_{\pm} \in \mathbb{C}$ , with

$$M_{\pm} = \sqrt{m_A^2 + \kappa^2/4} \pm \kappa/2, \quad m_{\pm} = \sqrt{m_A^2 - \kappa^2/4} \pm i\kappa/2$$

- Why the discrepancy and which masses define the penetration depths?
  - In both cases, the abelian Higgs limit is recovered  $\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} m_{\pm} = \lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} M_{\pm} = m_A$  and  $\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} \lambda_{\pm} = \lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} l_{\pm} = \lambda$
  - **Dynamical gauge** masses are the poles of the propagator in **Minkowski** space  $D_M(\omega, \mathbf{0})$
  - **Static screening** masses are the poles of the propagator in **Euclidean** space  $D_E(0, \mathbf{k})$
  - We must have analytic continuation between Minkowski and Euclidean formulations
- ⇒ Consistency condition ensuring that Euclidean and Minkowski propagators describe the same analytic structure

## Penetration depths: static screening masses ✓

- Dynamical gauge masses  $M_{\pm} \in \mathbb{R}$ , whereas static screening masses  $m_{\pm} \in \mathbb{C}$ , with

$$M_{\pm} = \sqrt{m_A^2 + \kappa^2/4} \pm \kappa/2, \quad m_{\pm} = \sqrt{m_A^2 - \kappa^2/4} \pm i\kappa/2$$

- To be self-consistent as a QFT they must be related by a **Wick rotation**  $p^0 = \omega \mapsto i\omega$
- This translates to an **effective** Wick rotation  $\kappa \mapsto i\kappa$
- Complex-conjugate static poles correspond to imaginary continuation of the real-time propagator poles to Euclidean frequency axis
- In AH model, dynamical gauge masses are identical to static screening masses
- CS term breaks parity and this is no longer true
- Penetration depths (screening lengths) are related to static screening masses, not dynamical gauge masses

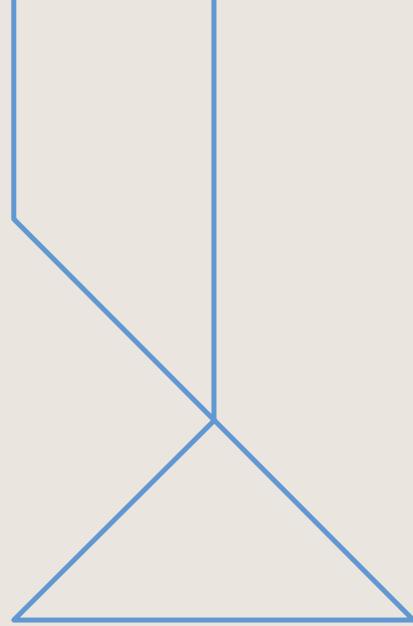
## Dynamical gauge ( $M_{\pm}, l_{\pm}$ ) vs static screening ( $m_{\pm}, \lambda_{\pm}$ )

- $M_{\pm}$ : tell you how fast the gauge field oscillates in time → *dynamical response*
- $l_{\pm}$ : propagation length scales or Compton wavelengths
- $m_{\pm}$ : tell you how fast the fields decay in space → *static screening*
- $\lambda_{\pm}$ : spatial structure of static fields (e.g. vortex profiles)
- Static screening masses are

$$m_{\pm} = \alpha \pm i\beta, \quad \alpha = \sqrt{m_A^2 - \kappa^2/4}, \quad \beta = \frac{\kappa}{2}$$

⇒ Magnetic & electric fields share common penetration depth  $\lambda_{\text{gauge}}$  but differ by oscillation frequency  $1/\lambda_{\text{osc}}$

$$\lambda_{\text{gauge}} = \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_A^2 - \kappa^2/4}}, \quad \lambda_{\text{osc}} = \frac{2\pi}{\beta} = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa}.$$



Long-range interactions

# Long-range interactions

- Can determine long-range interactions following point-particle method<sup>22</sup>
- Done in two parts:
  1. Add linear sources to linearized energy, such that solutions of field equations are exactly single-vortex far fields
  2. Compute the interaction energy from the on-shell cross term in the linearization
- After a bit of work<sup>23</sup>, the interaction energy of a pair of separated vortex anyons is given by

$$V_{\text{int}}(R) \simeq 2\pi \left[ |c_B|^2 e^{-\alpha R} \cos(\beta R - \gamma) - c_H^2 K_0(m_H R) \right]$$

- Standard Higgs contribution remains monotone attractive
- Gauge term becomes a damped oscillator with envelope  $e^{-\alpha R}/\sqrt{R}$ , decay rate  $\alpha = \sqrt{m_A^2 - \kappa^2/4}$ , and oscillation frequency  $\beta = \kappa/2$ , alternating between attractive and repulsive behavior

<sup>22</sup>J. M. Speight, *Phys. Rev. D* 55, 3830 (1997)

<sup>23</sup>P. Leask, [arXiv:2510.04830 \[cond-mat.supr-con\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2510.04830)

# Long-range interactions

- Oscillatory attractive/repulsive behavior of gauge contribution leads to non-monotonic interactions
- If gauge term is dominant over Higgs term at long-range:
  - Provides a repulsive force initially ( $R < \frac{\pi}{\kappa} + \frac{2\gamma}{\kappa}$ )
  - Switches to an attractive force at longer range ( $R > \frac{\pi}{\kappa} + \frac{2\gamma}{\kappa}$ )
  - Repeats this behavior in a decaying oscillatory fashion as the  $R$  increases
- Breaks usual vanilla type I/II dichotomy
- ⇒ Hybrid of type I & II superconductivity behavior
- Similar behavior arises in multiband superconductors, called type 1.5 superconductivity<sup>24,25</sup>
- Hybrid behavior there arises due to competing length scales with  $\xi_1 < \lambda < \xi_2$
- Hybrid behavior here arises from the decaying oscillatory behavior of the gauge field

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<sup>24</sup>E. Babaev and M. Speight, *Phys. Rev. B* 72, 180502 (2005)

<sup>25</sup>E. Babaev, J. Carlström, and M. Speight, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 105, 067003 (2010)

## Abelian Higgs limit

- Consistency check, must recover AH model in the limit  $\kappa \rightarrow 0$
- Decay rate becomes  $\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} \alpha = m_A = qm$  and oscillatory behavior vanishes,  $\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} \beta = 0$
- ⇒ Magnetic penetration depth is recovered

$$\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} \lambda_{\text{gauge}} = \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{1}{m_A}$$

- Complex-conjugate screening masses tend to single real-valued Proca mass

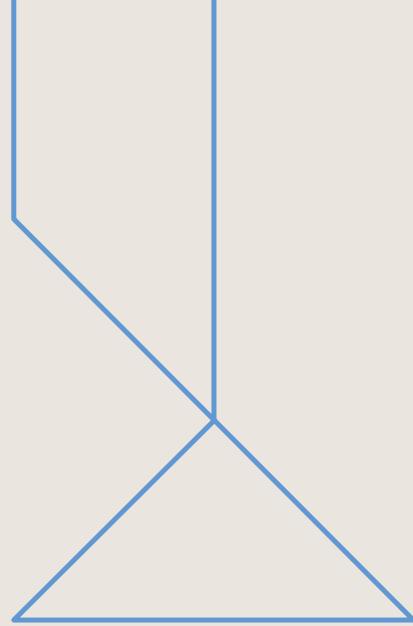
$$\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} m_{\pm} = \alpha = m_A$$

- Also recover long-range interaction energy of AH model<sup>26,27</sup>

$$\lim_{\kappa \rightarrow 0} V_{\text{int}}(R) = 2\pi \left[ c_B^2 K_0(m_A R) - c_H^2 K_0(m_H R) \right]$$

<sup>26</sup>L. M. A. Bettencourt and R. J. Rivers, *Phys. Rev. D* 51, 1842 (1995)

<sup>27</sup>K. Fujikura, S. Li, and M. Yamaguchi, *J. High Energ. Phys.* 12, 115 (2023)



Conclusion and further work

# Conclusion

- Gauss' law binds magnetic flux to electric charge  $\Rightarrow$  anyonic vortices
  - CS term makes screening masses complex
  - Electric and magnetic fields decay with common penetration depth but acquire oscillatory phase shift
  - Breaks type-I/II dichotomy  $\Rightarrow$  new hybrid typology
  - Vortex anyons form stable bound states with separated cores
- $\Rightarrow$  Theoretical realization of hybrid superconducting behavior in an anyon superconductor
- Future directions include:
    - Systematic study of vortex lattice phases<sup>28</sup>
    - Role of the CS term in dynamical interactions of vortex anyons<sup>29</sup>
    - Short-range interactions of vortex anyons<sup>30</sup>

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<sup>28</sup>M. Speight and T. Winyard, *J. Phys. A: Math. Theor.* 58, 095203 (2025)

<sup>29</sup>D. Bazeia, J. G. F. Campos, and A. Mohammadi, *J. High Energ. Phys.* 12, 108 (2024)

<sup>30</sup>M. Speight and T. Winyard, *Phys. Rev. D* 112, 055024 (2025)