

# Chiral response in a p-wave superconductor

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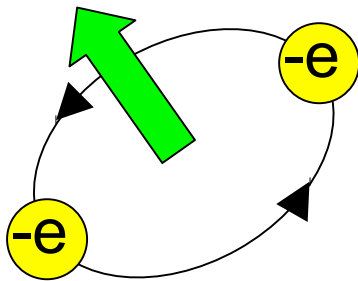
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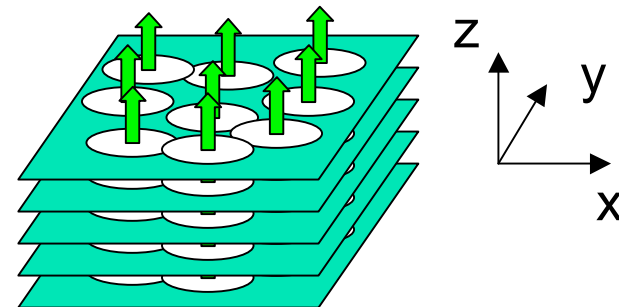
# Chiral $p$ -wave superconductor

- Cooper pair  
→ superconductivity
- *relative angular momentum*  $\mathbf{L}_{rel}$



- Chiral  $p$ -wave state  
 $\mathbf{L}_{rel}$  of pairs are  
alined  
*“ferromagnetically”*

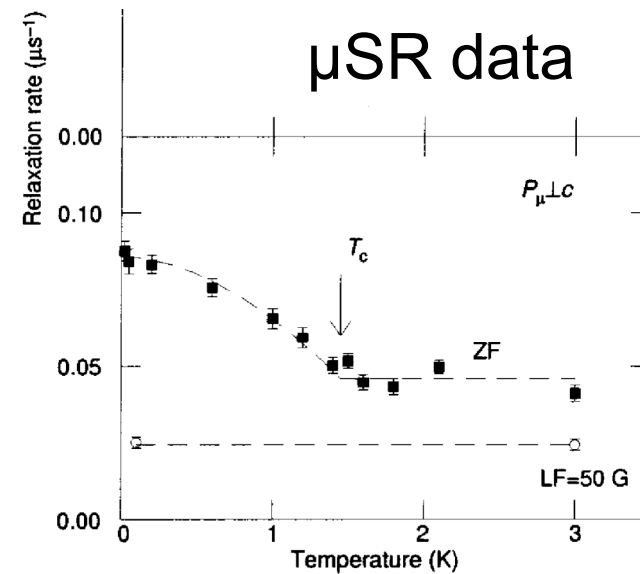
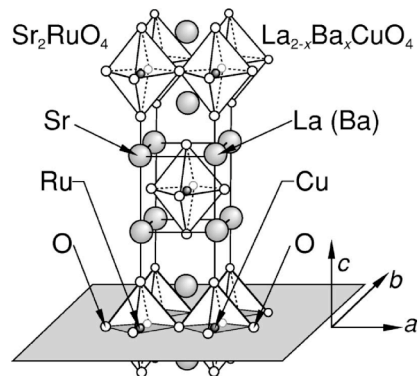
In a layered system...  
 $L_{rel\ z}=1$  (or -1)



# Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>

- Chiral p-wave;  
the most plausible pairing  
state in a layered  
superconductor Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>

Cf) Mackenzie-Maeno, RMP ('03)

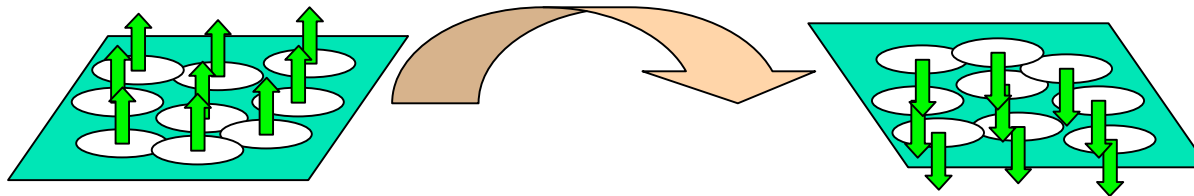


Spontaneous magnetization as  
an evidence for time-reversal  
symmetry breaking

# The state breaks $T$ and $P_{2+1D}$

$$T; t \rightarrow -t, \quad P_{2+1D}; x \rightarrow -x, y \rightarrow y$$

$$\underline{L = r \times p \rightarrow -L}$$





# $T$ and $P_{2+1D}$ breaking ...

- From the point of view of symmetry breaking, the chiral  $p$ -wave state resembles the massive Dirac QED in 2+1D

- The Chern-Simons term  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{e^2}{4\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\rho\nu} A_\mu \partial_\rho A_\nu$  is universal

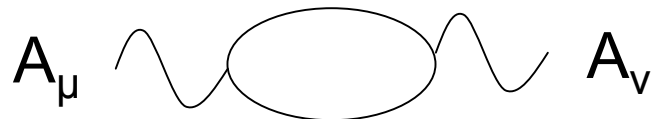
is induced in the low energy effective action for the U(1) gauge field

Cf) Daser-Jackiw-Templeton, K. Ishikawa, Niemi & Semenoff, Redlich...etc

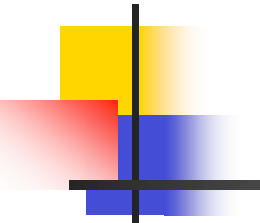
- In the chiral  $p$ -wave superconductor ???

# Induced Chern-Simons-like term in a chiral $p$ -wave SC

- We evaluate 1-loop diagram of the Bogoliubov quasiparticle in the chiral  $p$ -wave state and obtain the low energy effective action



## 1-loop effective action includes a Chern-Simons-like term


$$\frac{a}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} (A_0 \partial_i A_j + A_i \partial_j A_0) \quad \text{Ref) G.E.Volovik ('88), JG \& K.Ishikawa ('98)('99)}$$

Compared to the Chern-Simons term  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{e^2}{4\pi} \varepsilon_{\mu\rho\nu} A_\mu \partial_\rho A_\nu$  in massive Dirac QED<sub>2+1</sub>,

- $\varepsilon_{ij} A_i \partial_0 A_j$  is absent.
- The total action is gauge invariant due to the Nambu-Goldstone mode  $\theta$  appeared in the form  $A+d\theta$
- The coefficient  $a = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$  (particle-hole symmetric case)





# Corrections from impurity scattering

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- Coleman-Hill's non-renormalization theorem\* for the C-S term in Dirac QED<sub>2+1</sub> is ***not applied*** to the chiral p-wave case because of the U(1) gauge symmetry breaking

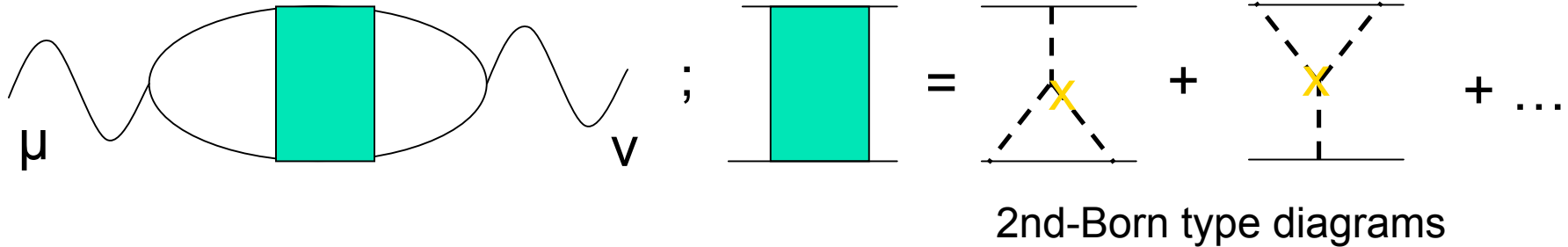
\* For IQHE system;  
Imai-Ishikawa-Matsuyama-Tanaka  
PRB ('90)

- Then, higher-order corrections would play an important role

$$\frac{b}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} A_i \partial_0 A_j$$

is induced by vertex corrections from *impurities*

JG, Phys. Rev. B (2008)



- the coefficient  $b$  is non-universal
- the coefficient  $a$  receives a non-universal correction

$$a = \frac{e^2}{4\pi} + \dots$$

# Integrating out NG mode $\theta$

→ JG & K. Ishikawa, Phys Lett A ('98)('99)  
JG, PRB('08), LT25-Proceeding ('08)

## ■ Effective Lagrangian

$$L_{eff} = \frac{C}{2v_F^2} A_0^{T2} - \frac{C}{2} A_i^{T2} + \frac{a}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} (A_0^T \partial_i A_j^T + A_i^T \partial_j A_0^T) + \frac{b}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} A_i^T \partial_0 A_j^T$$

“transverse”  
components

$$\begin{cases} A_0^T = A_0 - \frac{\partial_0}{\partial_0^2 - v_F^2 \partial^2} (\partial_0 A_0 - v_F^2 \boldsymbol{\partial} \cdot \mathbf{A}) \\ A_i^T = A_i - \frac{\partial_i}{\partial_0^2 - v_F^2 \partial^2} (\partial_0 A_0 - v_F^2 \boldsymbol{\partial} \cdot \mathbf{A}) \end{cases}$$

$v_F$ ; Fermi velocity divided by the light velocity

This is the same form as the effective  
Lagrangian of *anyon superconductivity*

Chen-Witten-Wilczek-Halperin ('89), N. Nagaosa (private comm.)

# Gauge-invariant linear response of chiral p-wave SC

JG & K.Ishikawa, Phys. Lett.A ('98)('99)  
 Luchyn-Nagornykh-Yakovenko, PRB('08)  
 Roy & Kallin, PRB('08),  
 JG, PRB ('08);LT25-Proceedings('08)

$$j_x(p) = \frac{-C}{ip_0} \left\{ \frac{p_0^2}{p_0^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{p}^2} \right\} E_x(p) + \left\{ a \frac{-v_F^2 \mathbf{p}^2}{p_0^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{p}^2} + b \frac{p_0^2}{p_0^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{p}^2} \right\} E_y(p)$$

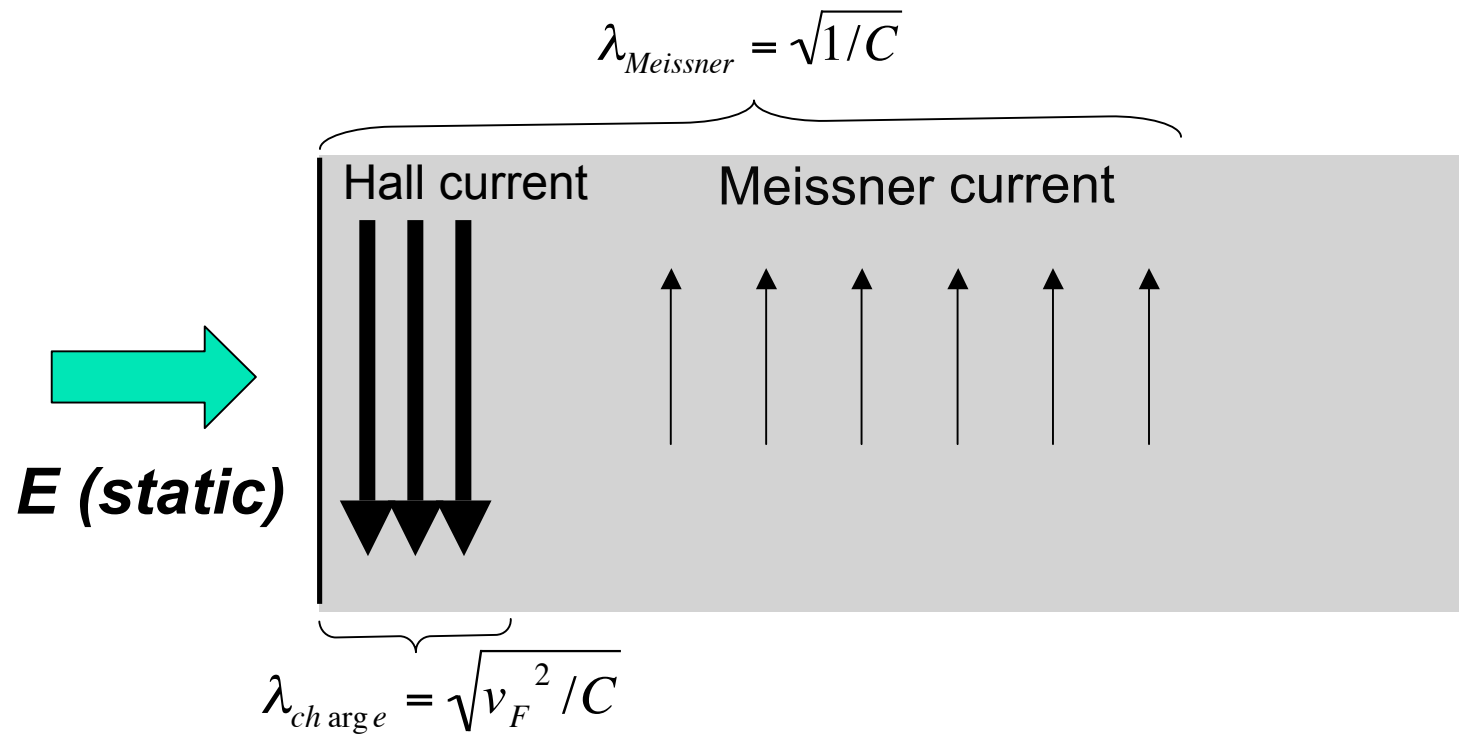
$\sigma_{xx}$  usual behavior of SC

$\sigma_{xy}$  chiral response peculiar to the P- and T-violating SC

(i)  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}(p_0 = 0, \mathbf{p} \neq 0) \longrightarrow \sigma_{xy} = \underline{a}$

(ii)  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}(p_0 \neq 0, \mathbf{p} = 0) \longrightarrow \sigma_{xy} = \underline{b}$

# Zero-field Hall effect ?



$\lambda_{charge} \ll \lambda_{Meissner} \quad \therefore$  Signal appears to be suppressed

Cf) Furusaki-Matsumoto-Sigrist ('01)

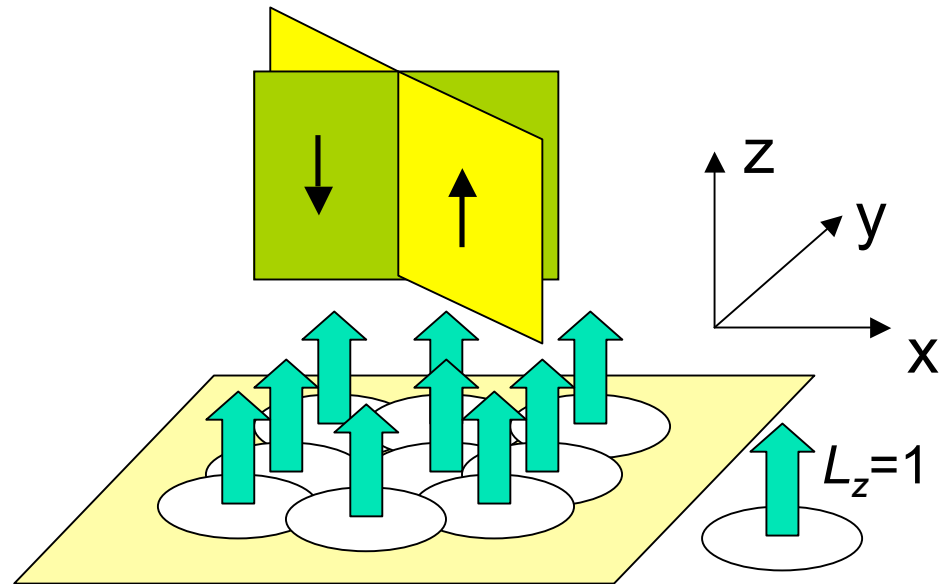
# Kerr rotation

... well-known as an effect of ferromagnet

- incident light ... (i) linealy polarized, (ii)  $\mathbf{p} // z$
- the polarization of reflected light is rotated

$\frac{b}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} A_i \partial_0 A_j$  -term  
yields the rotation  
since this term mixes  
 $A_x$  and  $A_y$

Cf) QHE; K. Ishikawa, PRB('85),  
anyonSC; Wen-Zee PRL('88),PRB('89)

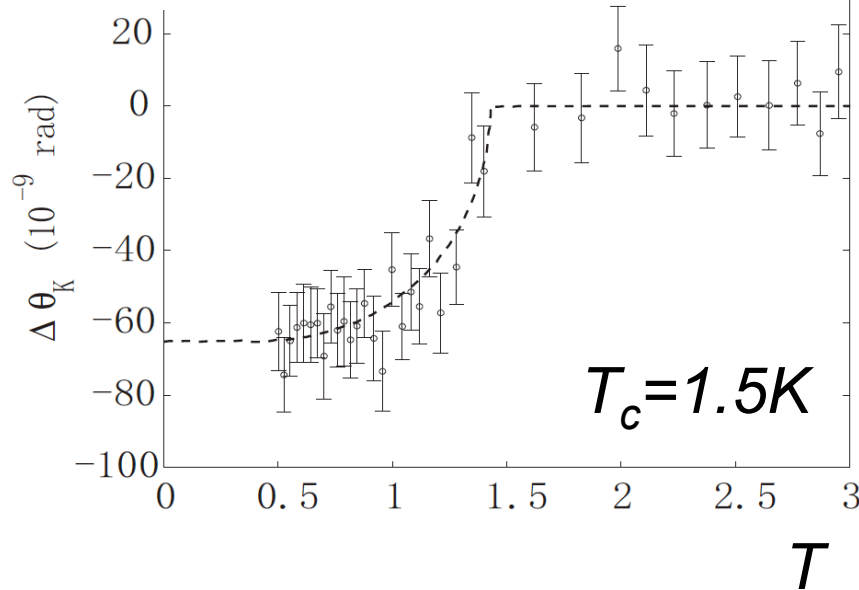


# Measurement of Kerr rotation in $\text{Sr}_2\text{RuO}_4$

Xia et al PRL ('06)

Kerr rotation

angle ( $\times 10^{-9}$  rad)



- The laser-frequency

$$\omega = 0.8\text{eV} \gg |\Delta| = 10^{-4}\text{eV}$$

∴ we should go beyond  
the low energy approach,  
i.e.,  $b \rightarrow b(p_0)$

JG, PRB ('08), LT25-Proceedings ('08)

- estimated value is *about*  
 $10^{-3}$  *smaller* than the  
observed value



# Summary

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- We consider electromagnetic response of a chiral ( $T$ - and  $P$ -breaking) p-wave superconductor
- The Chern-Simons-like term is induced in the effective Lagrangian, which has the same form with the effective Lagrangian of the anyon superconductor.
- The C-S-like term gives chiral responses e.g., zero-field Hall effect, Kerr rotation



## II. zero-field Hall conductivity

- Quasiparticle Hamiltonian;

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}[A'] = \tilde{\Psi}^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon(\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A}') & \Delta(\mathbf{p}) \\ \Delta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) & -\varepsilon(\mathbf{p} - e\mathbf{A}') \end{pmatrix} \tilde{\Psi},$$

$$A'_\mu = A_\mu + \frac{1}{e} \partial_\mu \theta. \quad (8)$$

$\Delta(\mathbf{p}) \propto p_x + ip_y$  (chiral p-wave;  $L_z=1$ , TRS breaking state)

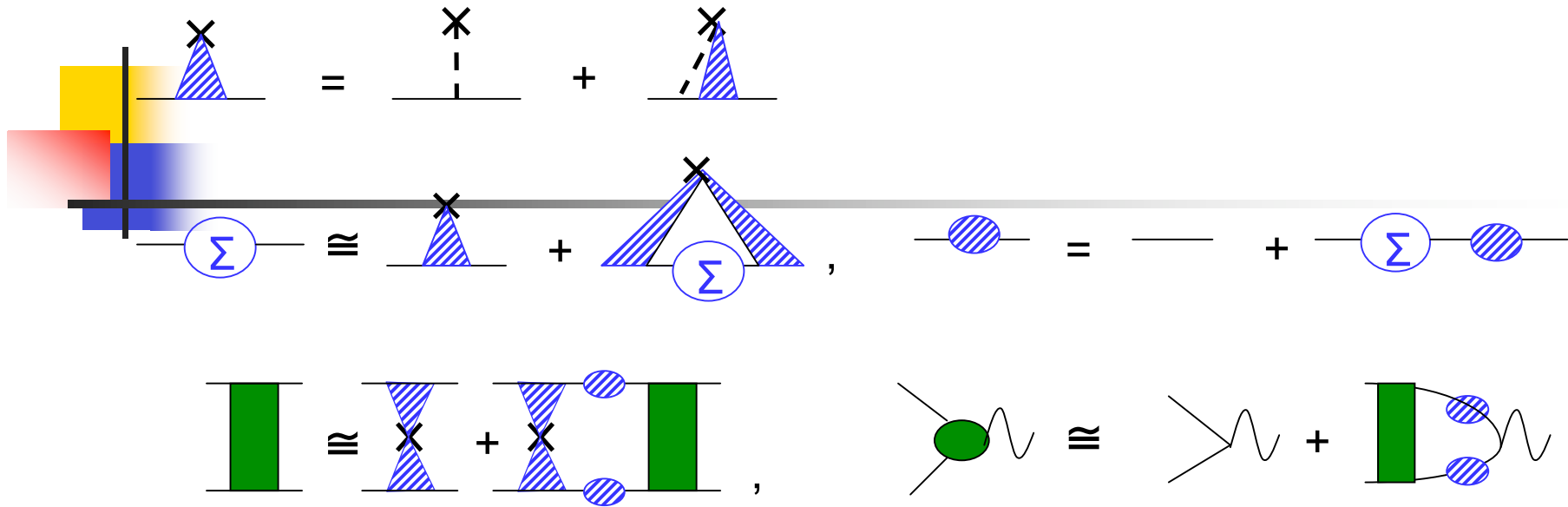
$A_\mu$  ... gauge field

$\psi$  ... Fermion,

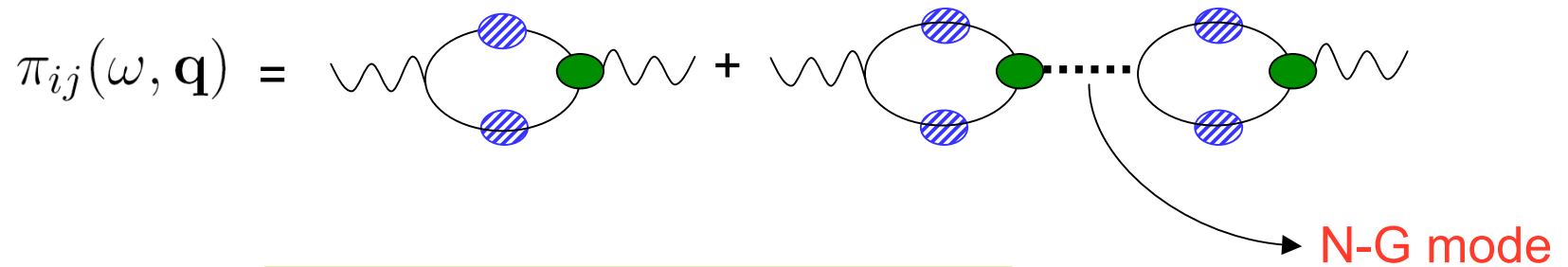
$\theta$  ... goldstone mode (phase degree of freedom of  $\Delta(\mathbf{p})$ )

We also include impurities (point-like)

# impurity corrections



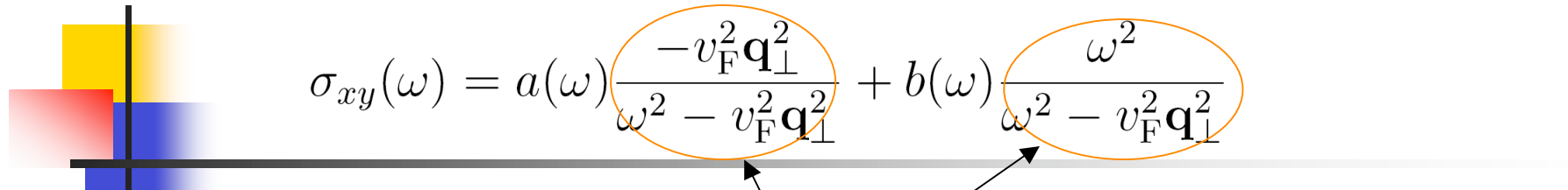
# gauge-invariant formalism for current-current correlation (Y. Nambu ('60))



Kubo formula

$$\sigma_{xy}(\omega, \mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{i\omega} \left[ \frac{1}{2!} \epsilon_{ij} \pi_{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{q}) \right]$$

# Zero-field Hall conductivity in chiral p-wave state



$$\sigma_{xy}(\omega) = a(\omega) \frac{-v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}{\omega^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2} + b(\omega) \frac{\omega^2}{\omega^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}$$

Goldstone mode

$\mathbf{q}_\perp = (q_x, q_y, 0)$

NOTE) electrons are 2D-like

$a(\omega)$  and  $b(\omega)$  come from Fermion loops like...

$$a(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Feynman diagram: fermion loop with vertices } 0 \text{ and } j \end{array} \right\} \Big|_{\mathbf{q}=0}$$

density-current correlation

$$b(\omega) = \frac{1}{2i\omega} \varepsilon_{ij} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Feynman diagram: fermion loop with vertices } i \text{ and } j \end{array} \right\}$$

current-current correlation

Because of the spontaneous gauge symmetry breaking,  
 $a(\omega) \neq b(\omega)$

$$a(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{density-current correlation} \\ \text{diagram} \end{array} \right\} \Big|_{\mathbf{q}=0} + \text{vertex corrections}$$

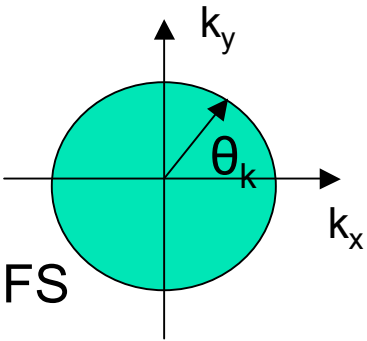
Cf) • dc-limit: Volovik ('88), JG-Ishikawa('98), Read&Green('00), Furusaki, Matsumoto & Sigrist ('01), Holovitz-Galub('02), Stone('02)

• ac-limit: Yakovenko('06), Lutchyn et al ('08), Roy & Kalline ('08))

- induced ***WITHOUT* vertex corrections**
- related to the ***TOPOLOGY of the gap function in momentum space***

Chiral  $p$       Chiral  $d$

Chiral SCs ( $L_z = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ );       $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = \Delta \exp[iL_z \theta_{\mathbf{k}}]$



$$a(\omega) \propto \frac{1}{|\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2} \oint_{FS} \frac{d\theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{2\pi i} \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^* \frac{d}{d\theta_{\mathbf{k}}} \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = \underline{L_z}$$

winding #

... analogous to the **INTRINSIC** part of AHE, where  $\sigma_{xy}$  is given by TKNN Chern # (Kaplas-Luttinger, Nagaosa et al)

For chiral p-wave ( $L_z=1$ ) ...

(i)  $T=0$ ,

(ii) without vertex correction

$$a(\omega) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi d} \begin{cases} \frac{i\pi\Delta^2}{2\omega^2} - \frac{\Delta^2}{\omega^2} \ln\left(\frac{\omega}{\Delta}\right) & \text{for } |\Delta| < \omega \ll \omega_D \\ -\frac{|\Delta|^2}{\omega^2} \ln\left(\frac{\omega_D}{|\Delta|}\right) & \text{for } \omega_D \ll \omega \end{cases} \begin{array}{l} \omega_D; \text{ cut-off energy of} \\ \text{pairing interaction} \\ \\ d; \text{ interlayer distance} \end{array}$$


R.Roy and C. Kalline, PRB ('08)

See, also, Lutchyn, Nagornykh, and Yakovenko ('08)

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It has been checked that ...

- In GL region  $T \sim T_c$ ,  $\omega$ -dependence is the same essentially
- Vertex corrections give higher order contributions of  $1/\omega$

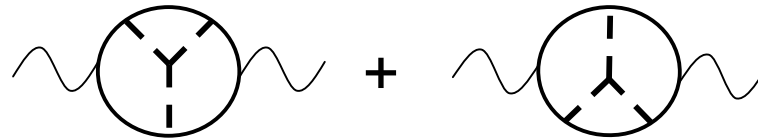


$$b(\omega) = \frac{1}{2i\omega} \varepsilon_{ij} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} k, \varepsilon + \omega \quad k', \varepsilon + \omega \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ i \quad \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \quad j \\ k, \varepsilon \quad k', \varepsilon \end{array} \right\}$$

current-current correlation

- **induced by vertex correction**

The lowest-order contribution; J.G. PRB ('08)



Cf) skew-scattering of the **EXTRINSIC** AHE and SHE  
Smit ('58)

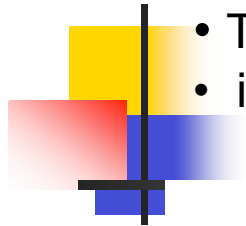
- $L_z \neq 0$  is necessary
- but **NOT** proportional to  $L_z$

ex) point-like (s-wave) scattering channel;

chiral p-wave ( $L_z=1$ ) state  $\rightarrow$  *nonzero*  
Higher-chiral states ( $L_z=2,3,4\dots$ )  $\rightarrow 0$

this result would be sensitive to scattering channel

For chiral p-wave ( $L_z=1$ ) ...



- $T \sim T_c$
- in the dilute limit of point-like impurities

$$b(\omega) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi d} \frac{|\Delta^2| \epsilon_F}{\pi} \sin 2\delta_0 \times \begin{cases} \frac{-i4\pi^2\Gamma}{\omega(\omega+i\Gamma)^3} & (T_c \ll \omega \ll \omega_D) \\ \frac{-i32\omega_D^2\Gamma}{\omega(\omega+i\Gamma)^5} & (\omega_D \ll \omega) \end{cases}$$

$\delta_0$ ; phase shift

$\epsilon_F$ ; Fermi energy

$\Gamma$ ; quasiparticle dumping

$\omega_D$ ; cut-off energy of pairing interaction

$d$ ; interlayer distance

### III. Kerr angle

$$\theta_K = -\text{Im} \left[ \frac{\omega(q_z^+ - q_z^-)}{\omega^2 - q_z^+ q_z^-} \right]$$

$$q_z^\pm = \sqrt{\omega^2 + i\omega\sigma_{xx} \pm \omega\sigma_{xy}}$$

$\sigma_{xx}$  ? ...in the measurement of PKE,

$$\omega \sim 0.8 \text{ eV} \gg 2|\Delta|, \quad q \ll 1/\xi$$

(high frequency and long wavelength)

→ Drude formula (verified experimentally by Katsufuji et al JPSJ ('94))

$$\sigma_{xx}(\omega) = \frac{\omega_p^2 \tau_0}{1 - i\omega\tau_0}$$

$\omega_p$ ; plasma frequency

$\tau_0$ ; quasiparticle life time



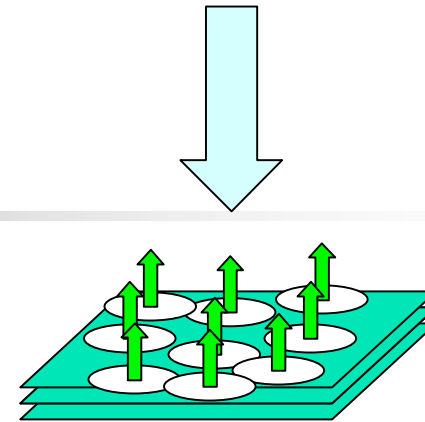
○ WITHOUT extrinsic effect

i.e. neglect the vertex corrections

Luchyn et al ('08), Roy-Kallin ('08)

$$\sigma_{xy}(\omega) = a(\omega) \frac{-v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}{\omega^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_\perp = (q_x, q_y, 0)$$



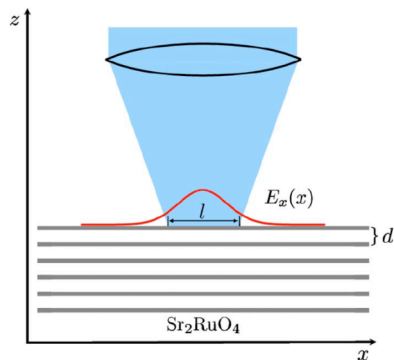
- In the experiment,  $\mathbf{q} \parallel z \dots$

if  $q$  is *completely* parallel to  $z$ -axes,  
 $\sigma_{xy} = 0 \quad \therefore \theta_K = 0$

- • •  $q_x, q_y$ -components caused by lens focus effect can be taken into account, but  $\sigma_{xy} \ll 1$  and

$$\rightarrow \underline{\theta_K} \sim \underline{10^{-17}} \text{ rad} \ll \underline{10^{-9}} \text{ rad (obs. value)}$$

even if in a optimized condition  $\omega_D \rightarrow \infty$



○ INCLUDING the Extrinsic part  $b(\omega)$

Cf) in 2nd Born; J.G. PRB ('08)

$$\sigma_{xy}(\omega) = a(\omega) \frac{-v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}{\omega^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2} + b(\omega) \frac{\omega^2}{\omega^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_\perp = (q_x, q_y, 0)$$

- for simplicity,  $\mathbf{q} // z \rightarrow \sigma_{xy}(\omega) = \underline{b(\omega)}$

## Realistic orders of parameters

$$T_c = 10^{-4} \text{ eV},$$

$$d = 6.5 \text{ \AA}, \quad \varepsilon_F = 0.14 \text{ eV},$$

$$\Gamma = 6.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}, \quad \omega_p = 1.3 \text{ eV}$$

$$\omega = 0.8 \text{ eV}$$

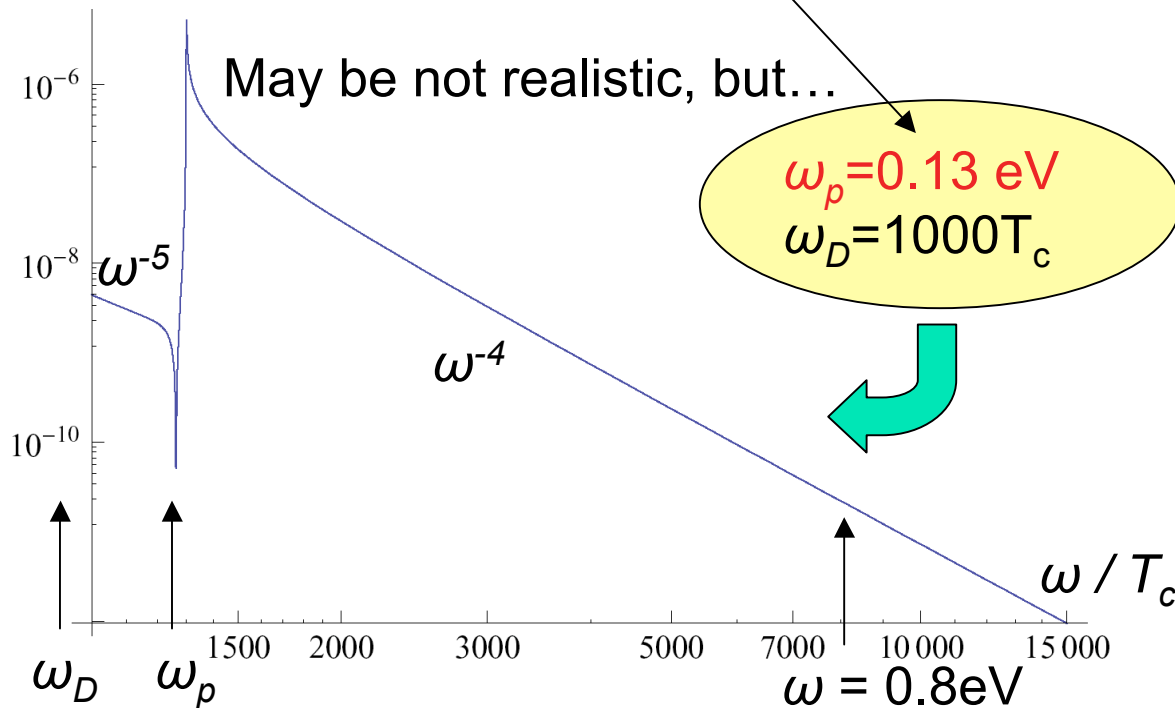
## Unknown parameters;

$$\text{cut off; } \omega_D = 1000 T_c \sim \infty$$

$$\text{phase shift; } \delta_0 = 0.1\pi$$

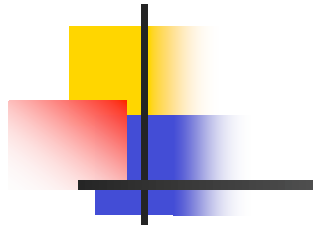
$$\theta_K \sim 10^{-16} \sim 10^{-14} \ll 10^{-9} \text{ (Obs.)}$$

much smaller...



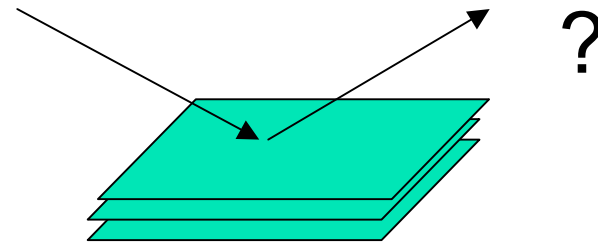
Anyway,  
 experiment in low  
 frequency region is  
 highly desired.

How to enhance a signal from the intrinsic part  $a(\omega) \propto L_z$ ?



$$\sigma_{xy}(\omega) = a(\omega) \frac{-v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}{\omega^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2} + b(\omega) \frac{\omega^2}{\omega^2 - v_F^2 \mathbf{q}_\perp^2}$$

○ Finite  $\mathbf{q}_\perp = (q_x, q_y, 0)$  is needed ...



○ But it should be noted that...

$$\frac{\text{intrinsic}}{\text{extrinsic}} = -\frac{a(\omega) v_F^2 q_\perp^2}{b(\omega) \omega^2}, \quad v_F^2 \ll 1$$

... then, the extrinsic part seems to be dominant in most cases

# Summary

“Zero field Hall conductivity” in chiral p-wave state

- intrinsic and extrinsic origins
- application to polar Kerr effect  $\mathbf{q}/z$   
extrinsic part  $b(\omega)$  is dominant
- how to see the intrinsic part  $a(\omega)$  ?

For quantitative agreement...  
Multiband effect?