

Notice that  $\chi_n = k_n l^2 = n \left( \frac{2\pi}{L_y} \right) l^2 \ll \sqrt{n} l$ .

In the  $n$ th Landau level there are

$$\begin{aligned}
 N &= \sum_k 1 = L_y \int_0^{L_x/l^2} \frac{dk}{2\pi} = \frac{L_x L_y}{2\pi l^2} \\
 &= \frac{A e B}{2\pi \hbar} = \frac{AB}{(h/e)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$N = \left( \frac{AB}{\Phi_0} \right) = \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_0} = N_\Phi$$

For  $\nu$  levels  $N = \nu N_\Phi$ .

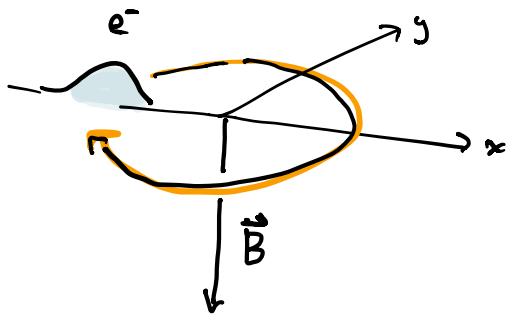
Dynamics .

$$\Psi(r, t) = \frac{L_y}{2\pi} \sum_n \int \frac{dk}{2\pi} a_n(k) \psi_{nk}(\vec{r}) e^{-i(n+\frac{1}{2})\omega_c t}$$

Wavepacket .

$$\psi(\vec{r}, t + \frac{2\pi}{\omega_c}) = -\psi(\vec{r}, t)$$

Semiclassical motion .



Cyclotron motion of wavepacket

Current flowing in single Landau level state  $\psi_{kn}$  ?

Warm up problem for the case with an electric field.

$$\text{Heuristically } I_y = -e v_y = -e \frac{\partial E}{\hbar \partial k} = 0$$

Microscopically:

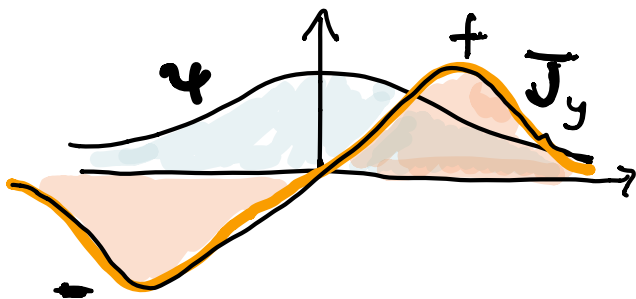
$$\psi_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^{1/2} \ell L_y}} e^{iky} e^{-\frac{1}{2\ell^2}(x - k\ell^2)^2}$$

Lowest Landau Level.

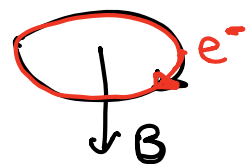
$$\langle J_y(x, y) \rangle = -\frac{e}{m} \psi_{nk}^*(x, y) \left[ -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + e \bar{A}_y \right] \psi_{nk}(x, y)$$

$$\langle I_y \rangle = \int_0^{L_x} \langle J_y(x, y) \rangle dx$$

$$= -\frac{e}{m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} \ell L_y} \int dx e^{-\frac{1}{2\ell^2}(x - k\ell^2)^2} \underbrace{(\hbar k - eBx)}_{-eB(x - k\ell^2)}$$



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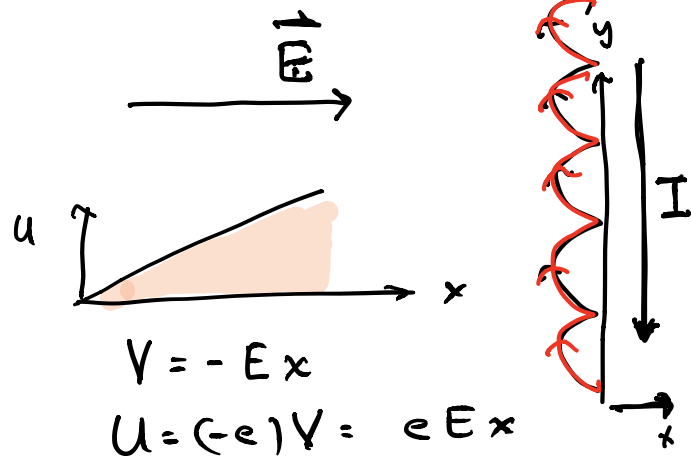
$$\langle I_y \rangle = e \omega_c \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} \ell} \frac{1}{L_y} \int dx e^{-\frac{1}{2\ell^2}(x - k\ell^2)^2} (x - k\ell^2) = 0.$$

As expected

# Current in a Field

$$\vec{E} = [E_x, 0, 0]$$

$$U(x) = eEx$$



$$H = \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 (x - k\ell^2)^2 + eEx.$$

$$= \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 (x^2 - 2k\ell^2 x + (k\ell^2)^2) + eEx$$

$$= \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 \left( x^2 - 2 \left( k\ell^2 - \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} \right) x + \left( k\ell^2 - \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} \right)^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 \left( (k\ell^2)^2 - \left( k\ell^2 - \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 (x - X'_k)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 (X_k^2 - X_k'^2)$$

$$X'_k = k\ell^2 - \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} = X_k - \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} = \frac{1}{\omega_c} \left( \frac{k\hbar}{m} - \vec{v} \right)$$

$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} E \\ B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 \left( 2X'_k + \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} \right)$$

$$= eEX'_k + \frac{1}{2} m \left( \frac{E}{B} \right)^2$$

$$H = \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_c^2 (x - X'_k)^2 + eEX'_k + \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$\epsilon_{kn} = \hbar \omega_c \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) + eE X'_k + \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$v_y = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial \epsilon_{kn}}{\partial k} = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial}{\partial k} (eE k \ell^2) = \frac{eE \ell^2}{\hbar} = \left( \frac{E}{B} \right) = \bar{v}$$

Physically

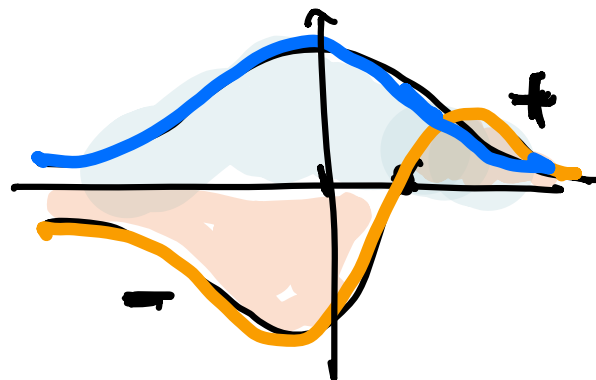
$$I_y = -n e v_y L_x = - \left( \frac{e}{L_x L_y} \right) L_x \bar{v} = - \frac{e}{L_y} \bar{v}$$

Microscopically:

$$I_y = - \frac{e}{m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} e L_y \ell} \int dx e^{-\frac{1}{\ell^2} (x - X'_k)^2} \left[ \hbar k - eB(x) - eB \left( x - \left( X'_k + \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} \right) \right) \right]$$

$$= - \frac{e}{m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} e L_y \ell} \int dx e^{-\frac{1}{\ell^2} (x - X'_k)^2} \left[ \hbar k - eB(x - X'_k) - eB \left( \ell^2 - \frac{eE}{m\omega_c^2} \right) \right]$$

$$I_y = - \frac{e v_c}{L_y} \left( \frac{E_m}{B \frac{eB}{m}} \right) = - \frac{e}{L_y} \bar{v}$$



Total current in a Landau level is then.

$$I_y = \sum_r \overbrace{\int dk \left( \frac{L_y}{2\pi} \right)} \overbrace{\frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{\partial \epsilon_{k_n}}{\partial k}}$$

$$= \frac{-e}{\hbar} \int dk \frac{d\epsilon_{k_n}}{\partial k} = -\frac{e}{\hbar} [M_R - M_L]$$

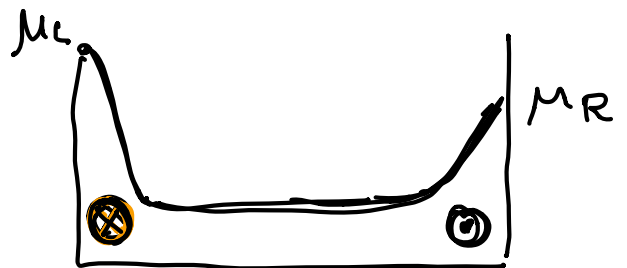
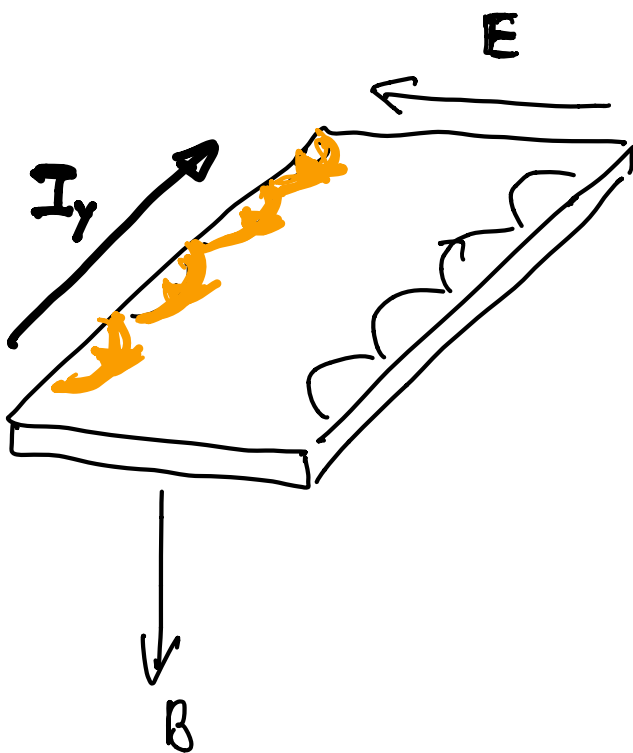
$$-e V_H = -e (V_R - V_L) = (M_R - M_L)$$

$$I_y = \frac{e^2}{h} \nu V_H$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{e^2 \nu}{h}$$

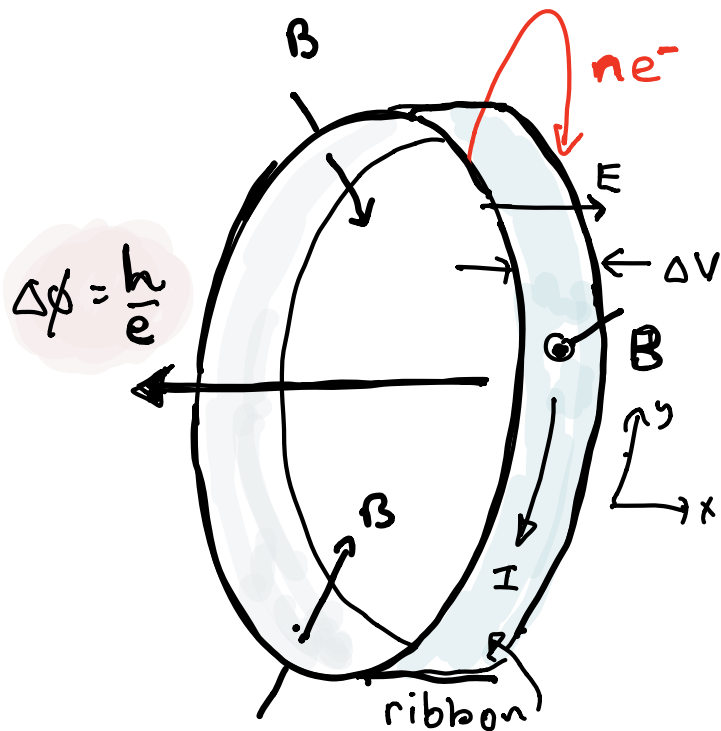
$$\sigma_{xx} = 0$$

$$\beta_{xy} = \frac{h}{e^2 \nu}$$



Edge-states run along equipotentials.

# LAUGHLIN'S FLUX ARGUMENT



$$I = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \phi} = \frac{\partial U}{L \Delta A} = \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta \phi}$$

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{h}{e} \quad \psi \rightarrow \psi e^{i\frac{eA\gamma}{\hbar}}$$

$$A = n \left( \frac{h}{e} \right) \frac{1}{L}$$

NO CHANGE TO ENERGIES OF BULK

$$\psi_{nk} = e^{iky} \phi_n(x - x_0)$$

$$x_0 = \frac{1}{\omega_c} \left( \frac{\hbar k}{m} - \frac{E}{B} + \frac{eA}{m} \right)$$

NO CHANGE TO BULK ENERGIES

$$x_0 \rightarrow x_0 + \frac{A}{B}$$

TRANSFERRING CHARGE FROM LEFT TO RIGHT

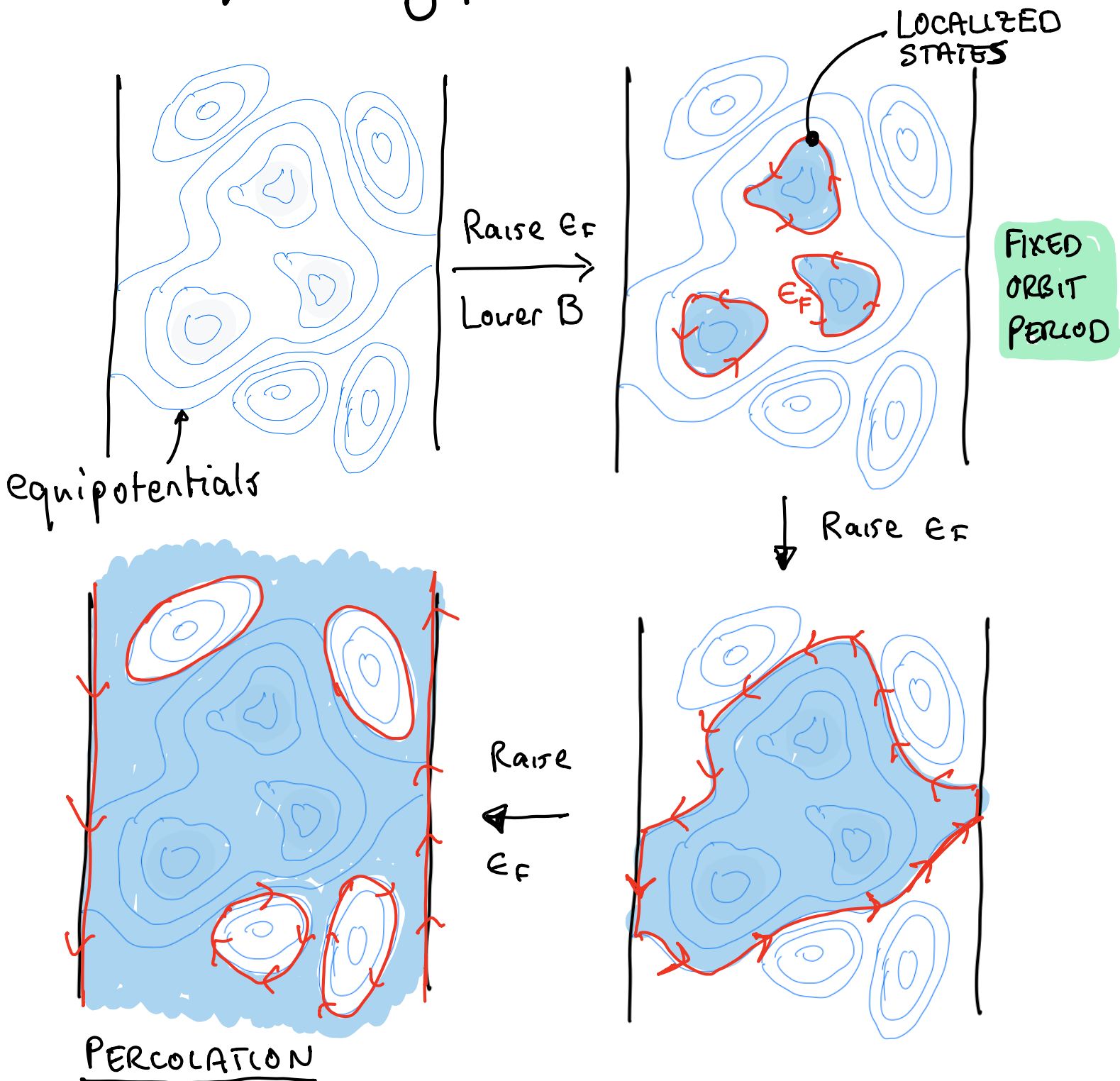
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta U &= ne \Delta V \\ \Delta \phi &= h/e \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$I_n = \frac{ne}{(h/e)} \Delta V = \frac{ne^2}{h} \Delta V$$

\$\Rightarrow\$ INTEGER \$\sigma\_{xy}\$.

# PERCOLATION PICTURE

- Disorder is essential for the IQHE
- Require a gap in the excitation spectrum

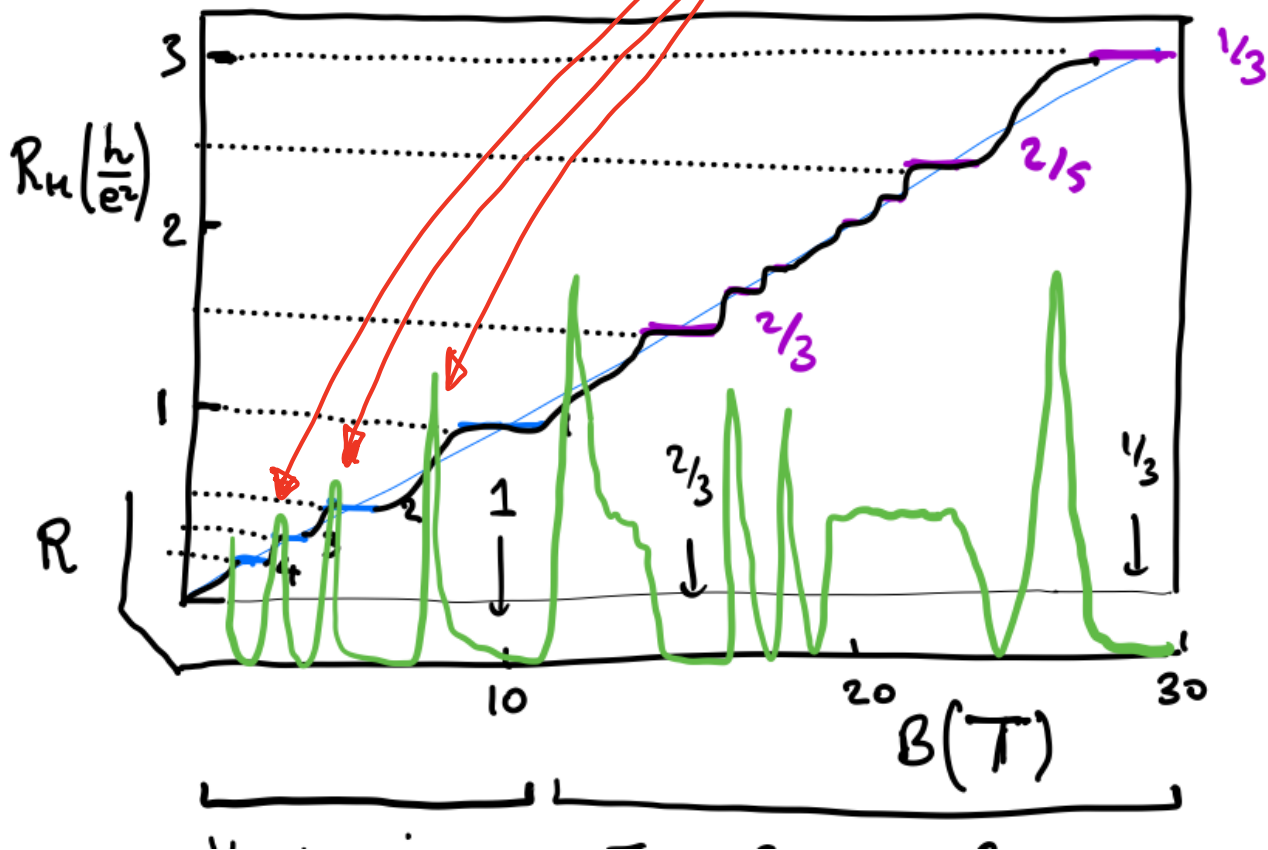




Percolation will occur @

$$\mu_n^* = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar \omega_c$$

When the shoreline percolates, the orbital period diverges + the excitation gap vanishes, so that dissipation takes place at the transition between plateaux.



## 5. FRACTIONAL QUANTUM HALL EFFECT

- Early expts showed that for  $\nu < 1$ ,  $\sigma_{xx}$  &  $\sigma_{xy}$  vanished, as expected from the perspective of the IQHE. However, with the invention of **modulation doping** in GaAs quantum wells, much higher quality samples were possible, with much less disorder.
- A Wigner crystal was expected for low enough  $e^-$  concentrations in pure samples. Pinned by disorder it would be insulating.
- 1982 Tsui, Störmer & Gossard discovered a QH plateau at  $\nu = 1/3$ , with  $\sigma_{xx} \rightarrow 0$  &  $\sigma_{xy} = 1/3 e^2/h$ .
- Tsui joked that it might be quarks! The effect did not involve quarks, but incredibly, the electrons in the  $\nu = 1/3$  FQH state have indeed condensed into a state with fractional charge excitations  $q^* = 1/3 e$ .
- Many more fractions observed
- Because  $\sigma_{xx} \rightarrow 0$ , this is a dissipationless state,

with a gap, presumably driven by the  $e^-e^-$  Coulomb interaction.

- The new ideas developed to explore & understand these new phases of matter & their topological properties have had profound implications for physics, both in the lab, and the cosmos!

## 5.1 PRELIMINARIES: Mechanical Momentum. + Guiding Centers

Recall 
$$H = \left( \vec{p} + \frac{e\vec{A}}{2m} \right)^2 = \frac{\vec{\pi}^2}{2m}$$

where

$$\vec{\pi} \equiv (\pi_x, \pi_y) = \vec{p} + e\vec{A}(\vec{r})$$

MECHANICAL  
MOMENTUM

This is a gauge-invariant quantity, but unlike the canonical momentum,  $\pi_x$  &  $\pi_y$  do not commute

$$\begin{aligned} [\pi_x, \pi_y] &= [p_x, eA_y] + [eA_x, p_y] \\ &= e \left( [-i\hbar \partial_x, A_y] - [-i\hbar \partial_y, A_x] \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$[\pi_x, \pi_y] = -i\hbar e \underbrace{(\partial_x A_y - \partial_y A_x)}_{B_z = -\mathcal{B} \text{ (for convenience)}} = i\hbar e \mathcal{B} = \frac{i\hbar^2}{e^2} \left( \frac{\hbar}{e\mathcal{B}} = l^2 \right)$$