

# Black hole determinants, quasinormal modes and the de Haas - van Alphen effect

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- Results:
  - Formula for 1 loop partition function in terms of quasinormal modes (dHvA is  $1/N$  effect, ie 1-loop on gravity side)
  - dH-vA oscillations with same period but qualitatively different  $T = 0$  behavior
  - Actual realizations: M-theory / Sasaki-Einstein 7-manifolds

# Outline

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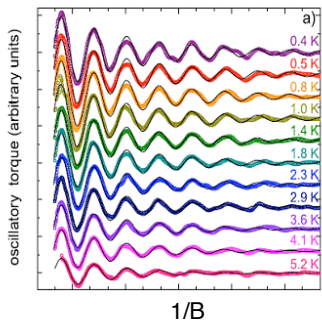
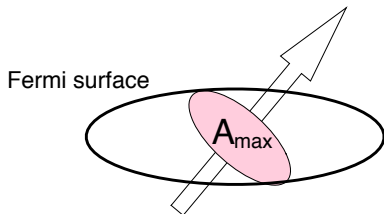
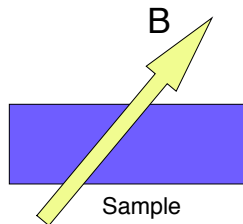
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# de Haas - van Alphen effect



$$\Delta \left( \frac{1}{B} \right) = \frac{\hbar}{A_{\max}}$$

## Explanation: Landau level quantization

- Electron in magnetic field  $B \hat{z}$ :

$$\dot{p}_x = -B\dot{y}, \quad \dot{p}_y = B\dot{x}$$

- Bohr-Sommerfeld quantization momentum space area

$$n\hbar = \oint p_x dx + p_y dy = \frac{1}{B} \oint p_x dp_y - p_y dp_x = \frac{A}{B}$$

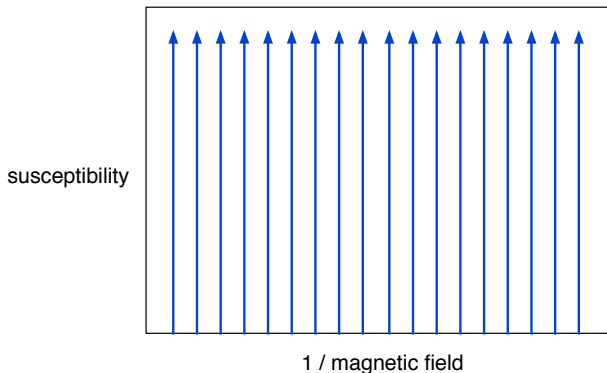
⇒ Fermi sea becomes collection of Fermi cylinders aligned with  $B$ , cross sectional areas quantized in units of  $\hbar B$  (= Landau levels).

- Increasing  $B$ : shells pushed out of Fermi energy surface  $E(k) = \mu$ .
- Complete shell pushed out each time integral multiple of  $\hbar B$  equals maximal cross sectional area  $A_{\max}$  of  $E(k) = \mu$  surface:

$$\frac{1}{B} = \frac{\hbar}{A_{\max}} n.$$

## Zero temperature behavior in $d=2$

If effective description of weakly coupled (quasi)particles exist:



Delta function peak each time LL trajectory pushed out of  $E(k) = \mu$ .



# Non-Fermi liquids

- Free fermion gas: Fermi sea
- Landau Fermi liquid theory: effectively Fermi surface with weakly interacting **quasiparticle excitations**. Dispersion relations:
  - $E \propto \delta k_{\perp}$
  - $\Gamma \propto \delta k_{\perp}^2$
- General RG argument explains success: effective theory **IR free** (except marginal BCS interaction)
- Nevertheless  $\exists$  deviations: **non Fermi liquids** = non-Landau:
  - still Fermi surface in sense of existence of **gapless fermionic excitations** at sharp momentum shell.
  - but **behavior different** from Landau liquid, e.g. different dispersion relations, temperature dependence of resistivity, specific heat, ...

# Phenomenology

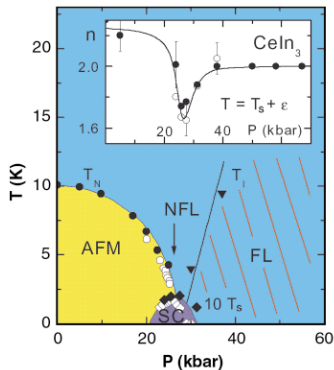


Fig. 59: (T, P) phase diagram of the antiferromagnet CeIn<sub>3</sub>. T<sub>N</sub> and T<sub>I</sub> are respectively the Néel temperature and the crossover temperature to the FL regime. The full Symbols are CEA Grenoble data, the open ones the Cambridge results [3]. The inset shows the pressure variation of the exponent n derived from the low temperature fitting of the electrical resistivity,  $\rho = \rho_0 + A_n T^n$ . NFL behaviour ( $n \neq 2$ ) is observed just at P<sub>c</sub>.

Strongly-correlated Systems

Review by J.P. Sanchez

- Strong electron interactions  $\rightsquigarrow$  NFL behavior
- Near quantum critical point  $\rightsquigarrow$  interacting CFT in IR.
- Same strong interactions  $\rightsquigarrow$  unconventional superconductivity.

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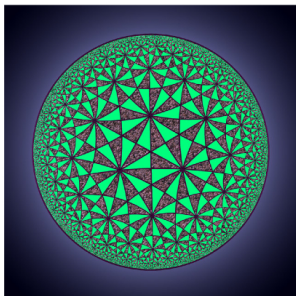
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We want to ask in particular:

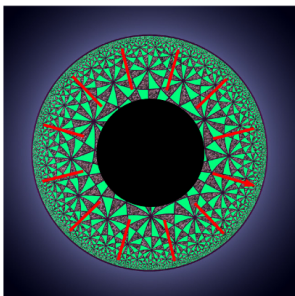
- Are there still de Haas - van Alphen oscillations?
- If so, what are differences with Landau liquid theory?

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# AdS-CFT at finite $N$

- We will see: **dH-vA effect only arises at subleading order in  $1/N$ .**
- CFT partition function to subleading order in  $1/N$  expansion = gravity partition function to subleading order in  $\hbar$  (loop) expansion:

$$Z \approx (\det S''[\phi_{cl}])^\# e^{-S[\phi_{cl}]}$$

Here  $S'' = D$  is typically operator of Laplace type,  $\det D = \prod_i \lambda_i$ .

- For massive fields: universal expression for **local** contributions in terms of curvature invariants, from heat kernel expansion.
- dHvA determined by **nonlocal** contributions: harder, but **UV finite**, so do not need full string theory.



# Quasinormal modes

- Long history in astrophysics.
- For us: nonlocal 1-loop effects captured by **quasinormal modes**.
- E.g. Schwarzschild-AdS:

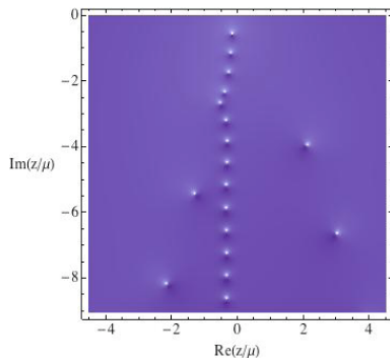
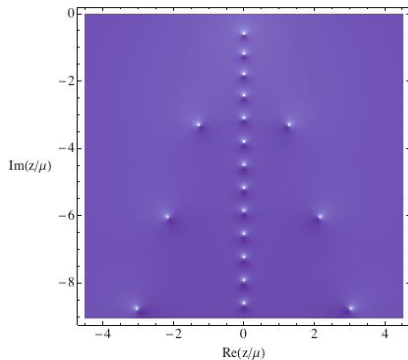
$$ds^2 = -V(r) dt^2 + \frac{1}{V(r)} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_2^2, \quad V(r) = 1 - \frac{M}{r} + \frac{r^2}{L^2}$$

- Scalar field QNMs: solutions to eom  $D\phi = 0$  in this background, with  $\phi(r) \sim r^{-\Delta}$  b.c. at  $r \rightarrow \infty$  and **infalling** b.c. at horizon  $r \rightarrow R$ , i.e.

$$\phi(r) \sim e^{-i\omega(x+t)}, \quad x = \log(r - R)^{1/2}.$$

- Like a resonance in QM:  $\omega$  **complex**; stability requires  $\text{Im} \omega < 0$ .
- CFT: poles in  $G^{\text{ret}}$ , excitations at finite  $T$ , lifetime  $\sim 1/|\text{Im} \omega|$

# Example: QNMs of charged scalars in RN-AdS



$T/\mu = 0.075$ ,  $q = 0, 1$  respectively.

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# Determinants from quasinormal modes

- Wick rotate  $\tau = it$ . Work in units with  $T_H = 1/2\pi$ .
- Near horizon geometry:  $ds^2 = \rho^2 d\tau^2 + d\rho^2 + ds_\perp^2$ .
- Solutions eom  $D\phi = 0$  for  $\rho \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\phi_{\omega_*} \sim \rho^{-i\omega_*} e^{-\omega_*\tau}, \quad \phi_{\tilde{\omega}_*} \sim \rho^{+i\tilde{\omega}_*} e^{-\omega_*\tau}$$

Lorentzian cont.: correspond to ingoing resp. outgoing boundary conditions  $\rightsquigarrow \omega_* = \text{QNM}$ ,  $\tilde{\omega}_* = \text{anti-QNM}$  frequencies.

- Then we claim, by matching poles and zeros:

$$\det D = e^{P(\Delta)} \prod_{\omega_*} \prod_{n \geq 0} (\omega_* - in) \prod_{\tilde{\omega}_*} \prod_{n < 0} (\tilde{\omega}_* + in)$$

where  $P(\Delta)$  is polynomial in  $\Delta$ , containing only local contributions, obtained from heat kernel expansion coefficients.

## More specialized formulae

If background is PT invariant (still with  $\beta = 2\pi$ ):

$$\det D = e^P \prod_{\omega_\star} |\omega_\star| |\Gamma(i\omega_\star)|^2 .$$

If background has no horizon so  $\omega_\star$  are normal modes:

$$(\det D)^{-1} = e^P \prod_{\omega_\star} \frac{e^{-\pi|\omega_\star|}}{1 - e^{-2\pi|\omega_\star|}} = \text{Tr} e^{-2\pi H} .$$

## Example: AdS<sub>3</sub> / BTZ

- AdS<sub>3</sub>:  $\omega_\star = \pm \frac{2n+\ell+\Delta}{L}$

$$\det D = e^{-\int d^3x \sqrt{g} \left[ \frac{(\Delta-1)^3}{12\pi L^3} - \frac{(\Delta-1)^2 \Lambda}{8\pi^{3/2} L^2} \right]} \prod_k \left( 1 - q^{k+\Delta} \right)^{k+1},$$

where  $q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$ ,  $\tau = \frac{i}{2\pi L T}$ .

- BTZ:  $\omega_\star = \pm \frac{p}{L} - 2\pi i T (\Delta + 2n)$ ,

same result with  $\tau \rightarrow -1/\tau$ .

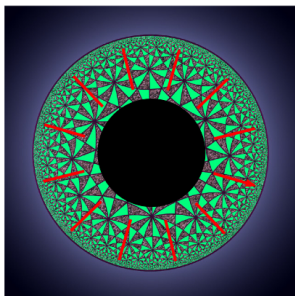
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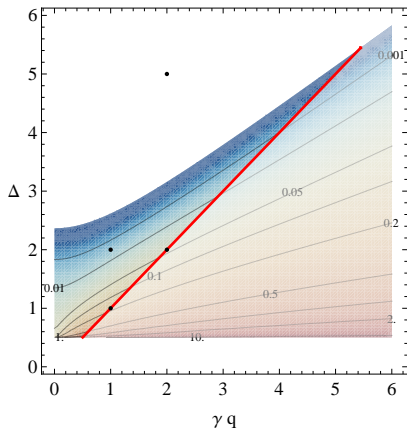
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# Minimal model

Planar Dyonic black hole in theory with

- gravity with negative cosmological constant  
 $\rightsquigarrow c \sim L^2/G_N.$
- Maxwell  $U(1)$   
 $\rightsquigarrow \rho \sim g^2.$
- Minimally coupled charged scalar  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  dual to possible 'Cooper boson' leading to superconducting phase
- Minimally coupled charged fermion  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  dual to possible gapless fermionic excitations of Fermi surface

Normal vs superconducting phase:  $T_c/\mu$  plot

- $\Delta$  = conformal dimension operator dual to scalar ( $m^2 = \Delta(\Delta - 3)/L^2$ )
- $q$  = quantized charge scalar
- $\gamma = \sqrt{c\rho} = g L/\sqrt{G_N}$

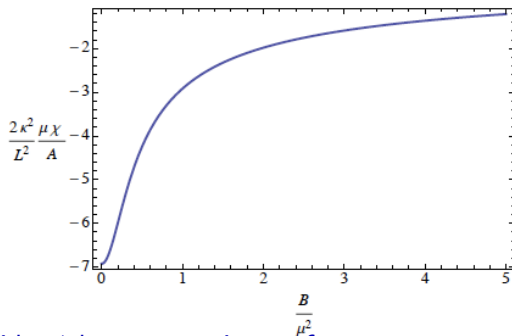
# No dH-vA oscillations at leading order

- Susceptibility to leading order:

$$\chi = -\partial_B^2 F = -T \partial_B^2 S_{\text{cl}}$$

where  $S_{\text{cl}}$  is the classical Euclidean dyonic black hole action.

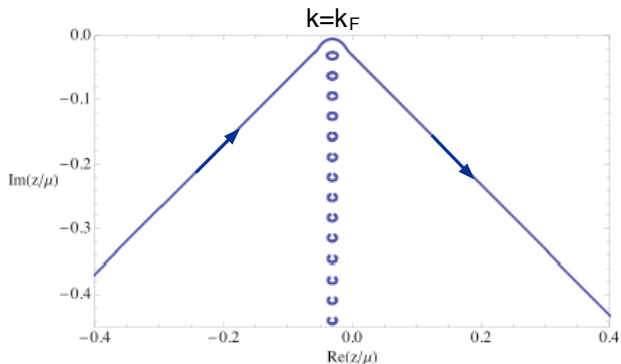
- This does not oscillate:

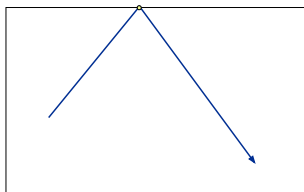


⇒ must consider 1-loop correction to free energy.

# Fermionic quasinormal modes

- [Faulkner-Liu-McGreevy-Vegh]: At  $B = 0$ , particular quasinormal frequencies of spinor field show interesting low  $T$  behavior as function of transverse planar momentum  $k$ :



Fermionic quasinormal modes at  $T = 0$ 

- In  $T \rightarrow 0$  limit:  $\omega(k) \sim (k - k_F)^z - i(k - k_F)^\delta$  where exponents  $z$  and  $\delta$  depend in simple way on effective AdS<sub>2</sub> conformal dimension

$$\nu = \sqrt{\Delta^2 + \frac{k_F^2}{\mu^2} - \gamma^2 q^2}$$

- At  $k = k_F$ : gapless quasiparticle excitations  $\rightsquigarrow$  Fermi surface
- Exponents different from Landau liquid  $z = 1$ ,  $\delta = 2$ .

## $T = 0$ oscillations at 1 loop

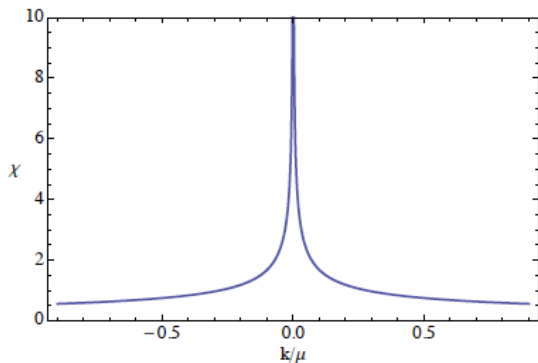
- Behavior QNMs at nonzero  $B$ : just replace  $k^2 \rightarrow nB$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- From expression 1-loop free energy in terms of QNMs, we extract  $T = 0$  nonanalyticity  $\chi$ :
  - Singularity occurs whenever

$$\frac{1}{B} = \frac{n}{k_F^2} \Rightarrow \Delta \left( \frac{1}{B} \right) = \frac{1}{A_F} \quad \checkmark$$

- Exponent of divergence:

$$\chi \sim \delta B^{-2 + \frac{1}{2\nu}}$$

different from delta functions of free case.

Periodic  $T = 0$  divergence susceptibility

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M-theory on Sasaki-Einstein 7-manifolds [FD-Hartnoll]:

- $SE_7 = \text{base } CY_4 \text{ cone} \rightsquigarrow \text{huge landscape} \rightsquigarrow \text{distributions, ...}$
- Dual to  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  M2 SCFTs.
- Consistent truncation to  $U(1)_R$  Maxwell + Einstein (!).
- Identified modes leading to minimal models (!!).
- Superconducting phase at  $T = 0$  generic for 'skew-whiffed' orientation  $SE_7$ , possibly generic for susy orientation.
- Fermi surface properties not yet investigated (normal phase at sufficiently low  $T$ ?)

# Conclusions

- AdS-CFT leads to tractable models of non-Fermi liquid behavior
- de Haas - van Alphen oscillations persist whenever there is a Fermi-surface ( $T = 0$  gapless modes at  $k = k_F$ ).
- Same period, different amplitudes (see also finite  $T$  results [Hartnoll-Hoffman]).
- Determinant formula, possibly of broader use.
- Sasaki-Einstein compactifications has right ingredients to give string realizations.