Novel topological optical lattices

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Outline

- Background:
 - Optical lattices
 - Magnetic flux in conventional optical lattices
- Part I: Topological lattices using multi-frequency radiation
- Part II. Optical Lattices using synthetic dimensions
 - Square geometry
 - Non-square geometry
- Conclusions



Ultracold atoms are trapped using:

- (Parabolic) trapping potential produced by magnetic or optical means
- Optical lattice (periodic potential)





Optical lattices (ordinary)

- A set of laser beams (off resonance to the atomic transitions)
- Atoms are trapped at intensity minima (or intensity maxima) of the interference pattern (depending on the sign of atomic polarisability)
 - 2D square optical lattice
 - 3D cubic optical lattice
- Tunneling elements real
 —> No magnetic flux



Picture from I. Bloch, NP 2005

Artificial magnetic flux in optical lattices <u>Theory</u>:

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 Laser-assisted tunnelling between lattice sites (with a <u>recoil</u> in another direction):
 Complex valued tunnelling matrix elements —> Non-zero magnetic flux

Artificial magnetic fields in optical lattices

- Optical square lattice: <u>Laser-assisted</u> tunnelling along x
- Ordinary tunnelling along y
- <u>Experiment</u>: M.Aidelsburger, M.Atala, S. Nascimbène, S. Trotzky, Yu-Ao Chen and I. Bloch, PRL **107**, 255301 (2011).



Complex valued tunnelling matrix elements along *x*

Double-well potential Staggered flux!

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Artificial magnetic flux in optical lattices

Lattice shaking

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Complex valued tunnelling matrix elements

Here:

Non-staggered magnetic flux without (conventional) optical lattices

Part I: Topological lattices using multi-frequency radiation

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- Magnetic field gradient along the x axis:
- Two different atomic spin states (up and down)

E.g. two hyperfine atomic states with different magnetic momenta

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Spin-dependent potential gradient — Spin-dependent <u>acceleration</u>

- Magnetic field gradient along the x axis:
- Position-depended detuning between the spin up and down states

Raman coupling with many frequencies induce <u>resonant</u> transitions at different spatial locations x



Spin-dependent acceleration of atoms is interupted

- Magnetic field gradient along the x axis:
- Position-depended detuning between the spin up and down states
- Frequency-comb (multi-frequency) Raman transitions between the spin states with a recoil kick in an orthogonal (y) direction



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- Magnetic field gradient along the x axis:
- Position-depended detuning between the spin up and down states
- Raman transitions with odd frequencies: Recoil along y axis
- Raman transitions with even frequencies: Recoil along -y axis



(Even frequencies)

(Odd frequencies)

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Imitates the Lorentz force

Optical lattice & non-staggered magn. flux

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 - Frequency-comb Raman coupling periodic driving at ω



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Floquet band intersections: No y dependence,









magnetic flux, reversing the stripes.

dependence



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Total flux = 2π

Non-staggered magnetic flux over an elementary cell $(V_0/\omega=0.25; \beta=0.6)$

Topology of energy bands?

Band structure and Chern numbers

 $V_0 = 0.25\omega$ (Strong coupling)



All five bands are topological with <u>unit</u> Chern numbers (like in the integer quantum Hall effect)

Band structure and Chern numbers

$V_0 = 0.3\omega$ (A little stronger coupling)



Band touching - topological phase transition

Chern numbers of the first three bands

Topological phase transitions



CONCLUSIONS (For part I):

- Magnetic field gradient along the x axis:
- Frequency-comb Raman coupling between <u>the spin states</u> (with a recoil along y or -y axis)



Optical lattice & non-staggered magnetic flux for adiabatic atomic motion

> Topological bands with unit Chern numbers can be formed

Synthetic dimension - frequency x domain

Conclusions (for Part I)*

- Artificial magnetic field can be created combining the magnetic field gradient and the counter-propagating frequency comb radiation
 - This produces a 2D lattice affected by a nonstaggered magnetic flux.
- The distribution of the magnetic flux can be **controlled** by the strength of the Raman coupling
- Topological bands with unit Chern numbers can be formed (like in the integer quantum Hall effect)

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State-dependent, addressable subwavelength

lattices with cold atoms

Optical lattice is chopped

W Yi¹, A J Daley, G Pupillo and P Zoller

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Figure 1. Subwavelength lattice with off-resonant and near-resonant $\lambda/2$ background potentials (see text). (a) Schematic of a controllable subwavelength lattice, where each lattice period of an initial $\lambda/2$ is subdivided into several potential wells whose position and well depth can be controlled by changing the laser parameters. Note that addressability in the subwavelength lattice is modulo
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Part II: Optical lattices using synthetic dimensions

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1D atomic chain (real dimension)

Tunneling in <u>real</u> dimension and laserassisted transitions in the <u>extra</u> dimensions:

2D semi-synthetic lattice involving real and extra dimensions.

The 2D semi-synthetic lattice can be affected by a non-staggered magnetic flux

Raman transitions between magnetic sublevels *m* (extra dimension)

 $F=I, \quad m=-I, 0, I$

 $\Omega_0 e^{ikx}$ - Raman Rabi frequency (recoil in x direction)

Extra dimension - a set of magnetic sublevels m

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(recoil in *x* direction)



Extra dimension - a set of magnetic sublevels m



Tunneling in <u>real</u> dimension and Raman transitions in the <u>extra</u> dimensions yield a 2D lattice involving <u>real</u> and <u>extra</u> dimensions



Combination of <u>real</u> and <u>extra</u> dimensions yields strong & non-staggered magnetic flux $\gamma = ka$ per 2D plaquette (due to Raman recoil k)



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Sharp boundaries in <u>extra</u> dimension: \Rightarrow Conducting edge states in <u>extra</u> dimension



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A Semisynthetic Lattice

Atomic vapors at very low temperatures are useful for the quantum simulation of solid- state systems, because their properties can be finely controlled and tuned. These neutral atoms are not, however, completely analogous to the charged carriers in solids; for instance, an external magnetic field causes electrons to move in circular orbits but has no such effects on neutral atoms. Celi et al. propose a simple method for creating a uniform magnetic flux in a one-dimensional (1D) optical lattice that, if realized, might be used to observe exotic phenomena such as Hofstadter-butterflylike fractal spectra or the dynamics of topological edge states. The method is based on synthetically extending the 1D lattice into the second dimension of internal atomic states (spin) by coupling those states using a pair of Raman laser beams that are directed at an angle with respect to the optical lattice; the required amount of the Raman laser light is substantially smaller than in existing schemes. The resulting band structure supports edge states in the spin variable whose dynamics should be observable through spin-sensitive density measurements. ---]S

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Fig. 1. Hybrid 2D lattice. (**A**) ⁸⁷Rb BECs (containing 10⁵ atoms), confined in a 1D optical lattice with a bias magnetic field $B_0 \mathbf{e}_z$, were illuminated either by a pair of counterpropagating Raman lasers with crossed linear polarization or by an rf magnetic field B_{rf} . (**B**) The Raman or rf field linking the three internal $|m\rangle$ states with Rabi frequency Ω_R was detuned by δ from the Zeeman splitting ($g\mu_B B_0/h \approx 0.817$ MHz or 1.35 MHz; g, the Landé g-factor; h, Planck's



constant). The corresponding quadratic Zeeman shift lowered $|m = 0\rangle$ by $\varepsilon = 0.05E_L$ (for the data in Fig. 3) or $0.13E_L$ (for the data in Fig. 4). The Raman lasers' relative phases were actively stabilized at a beam combiner adjacent to the optical-lattice retroreflection mirror (24). (**C**) The lattice along **e**_s can be considered as a square well with hard walls at $m = \pm 2$, for which $\delta \neq 0$ tilts the potential. (**D**) The 2D hybrid lattice, where the nonspatial dimension is built from the internal states $|m\rangle$, with an effective magnetic flux per plaquette of $\Phi/\Phi_0 = \phi_{AB}/2\pi$. (**E**) The three lowest magnetic bands (rainbow colors), computed for our full lattice without making the tight-binding approximation, with parameters ($\hbar\Omega_R$, V, δ , ε) = (0.141, 6, 0, 0.05) E_L . The pale curves represent computations for $\hbar\Omega_R = 0$.

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Fig. 1. A synthetic gauge field in a synthetic dimension.

(**A**) We confine the motion of fermionic ultracold atoms in a hybrid lattice, generated by an optical lattice along a real direction \hat{x} with tunneling t, and by laser-induced hopping between spin states along a synthetic direction \hat{m} . By inducing a complex tunneling



 $\Omega_{1,2}e^{i\varphi j}$ along \hat{m} , the atom wave function acquires a phase φ per plaquette, mimicking the effect of a transverse magnetic field **B** on effectively charged particles. (**B**) Scheme of the ¹⁷³Yb nuclear spin states and Raman transitions used in the experiment.

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1D chain of atoms (real dimension)

Atoms with different internal states are trapped at different lattice sites of a one-dimensional lattice — Semisynthetic zigzag lattice (& laser-assisted transitions between ` and ` states)

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Boson phase diagram for different *y*

 Δ_c : charge gap



Blue: superluid phase

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Lower peaks: Charge density wave - one atom per magnetic unit cell

An alternative scheme

Laser-assisted tunnelling in addition to Raman transitions



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3d

Optical lattices in extra dimensions Non-square geometry - easier to implement

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1D chain of atoms (real dimension)

— (anti-magic wave-length)



Non-square geometry

Another related work

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Synthetic magnetic fluxes and topological order in one-dimensional spin systems

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Conclusions (for Part II)

- Artificial magnetic field can be created in ID optical lattices:
 - The atomic internal states serve as an extra dimension.
 - This makes a semi-synthetic 2D lattice (involving real and extra dimensions) affected by a non-staggered magnetic flux.
- The synthetic dimension has sharp boundaries at which the conducting edge states are formed.
- The edge states are immune to a short range scattering potential (or at least for lower energies).
- By closing the boundaries in the synthetic dimension one can get the Hofstadter butterfly spectrum in a remarkably simple manner.
- Semi-synthetic zigzag lattice can also be created exhibiting nonlocal atom-atom interaction.
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