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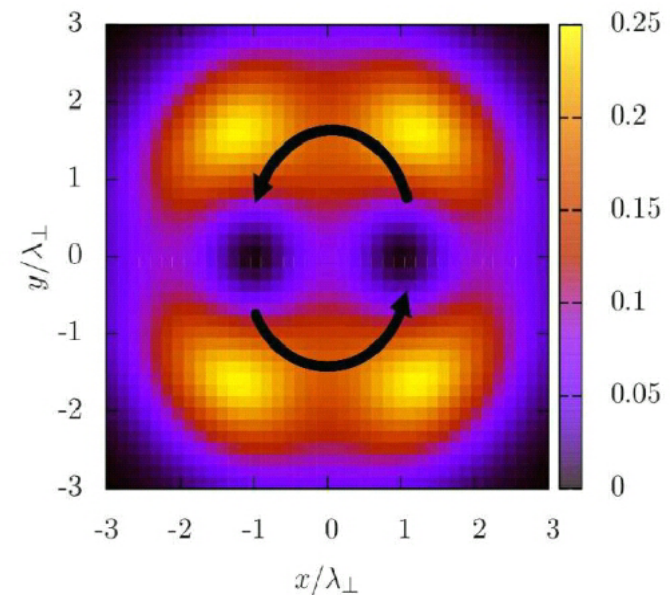
**Anyonic** bulk excitations:

Wave function for two quasiholes:

$$\Psi_{2\text{qh}} \sim \prod_i (w_1 - z_i)(w_2 - z_i) \Psi_L^{(q)}$$

acquires a **fractional statistical phase**

$$w_1 \leftrightarrow w_2 \Leftrightarrow \Psi_{2\text{qh}} \rightarrow e^{i\alpha\pi} \Psi_{2\text{qh}} \quad \text{where } \alpha = 1/q :$$



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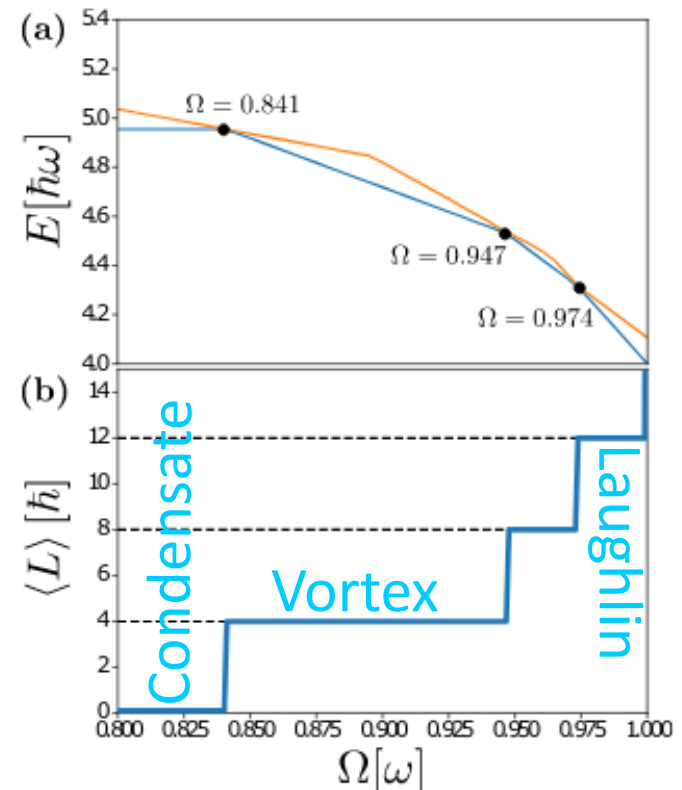
$$E_{nm} = \hbar [(\Omega + \omega)n + (\Omega - \omega)m] + \text{const.}$$

$\downarrow$                        $\downarrow$   
 ”  $\infty$  ”                      0

Lowest Landau Level – Flat !

- Interactions produce **anticorrelations**:  
vortices, vortex lattices, FQH phases

For  $\Omega \rightarrow \omega$  : Laughlin state!



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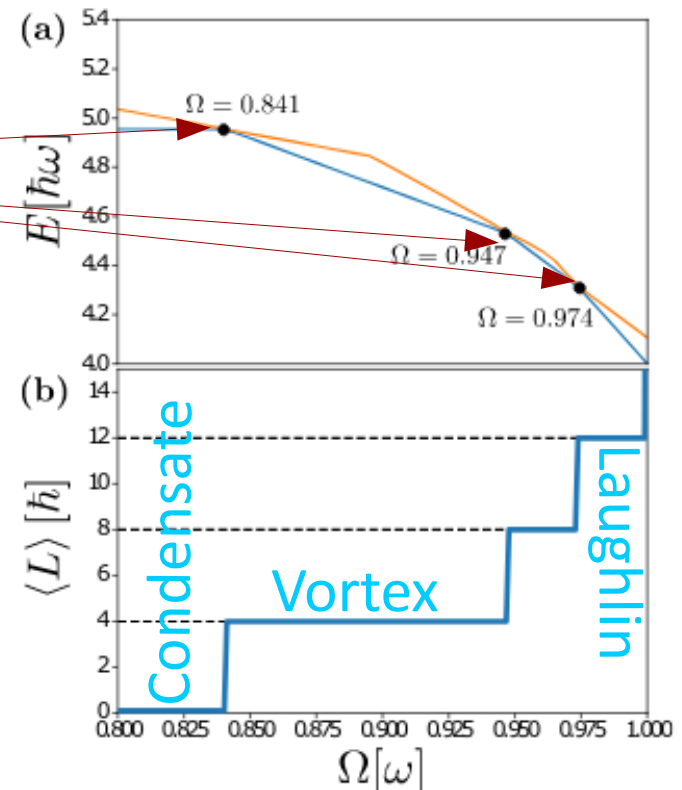
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**True level crossings**

- States protected by rotational symmetry
- To pick up angular momentum:  
Rotational symmetry must be broken!
- Elliptic trap deformation:

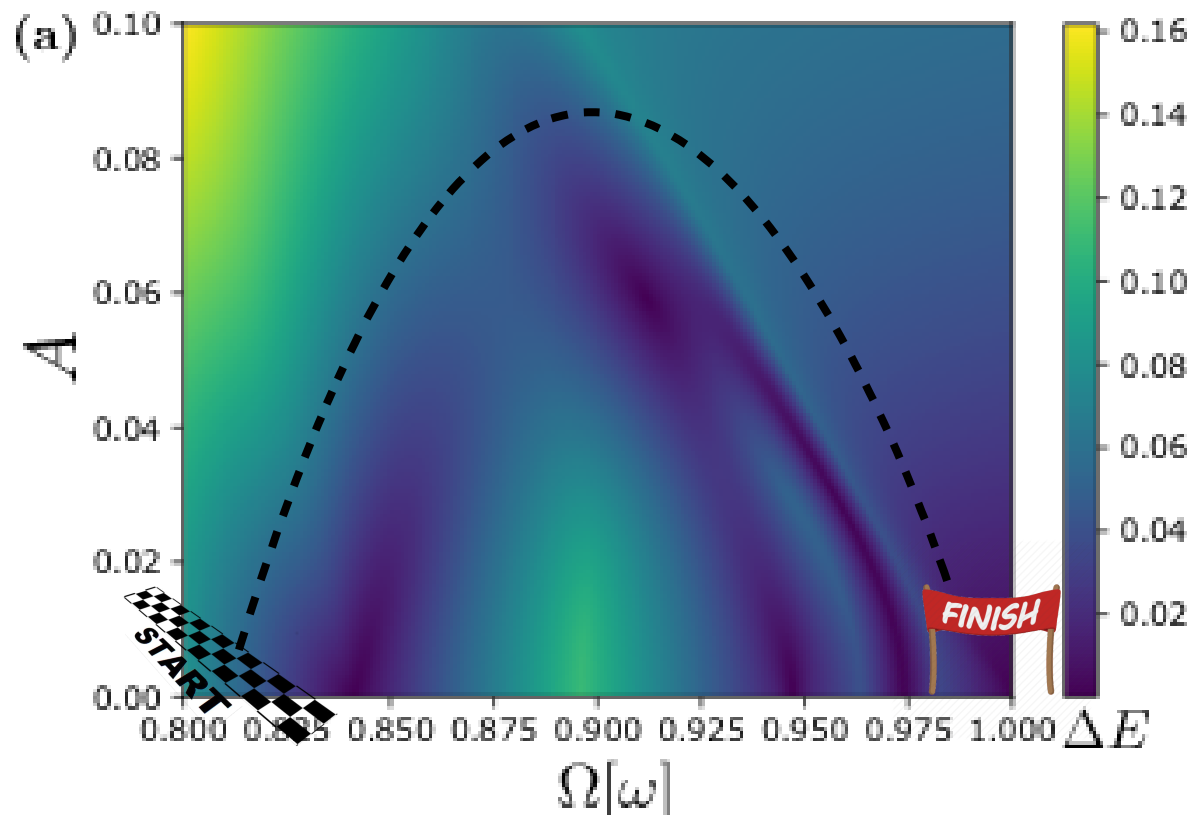
$$V(t) = A(t)M\omega^2(x^2 - y^2)$$



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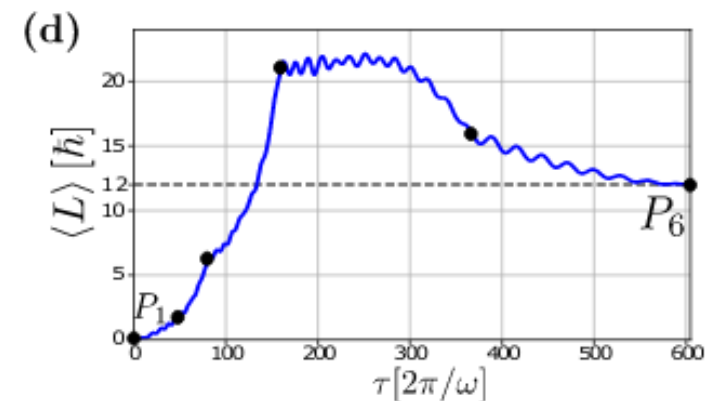
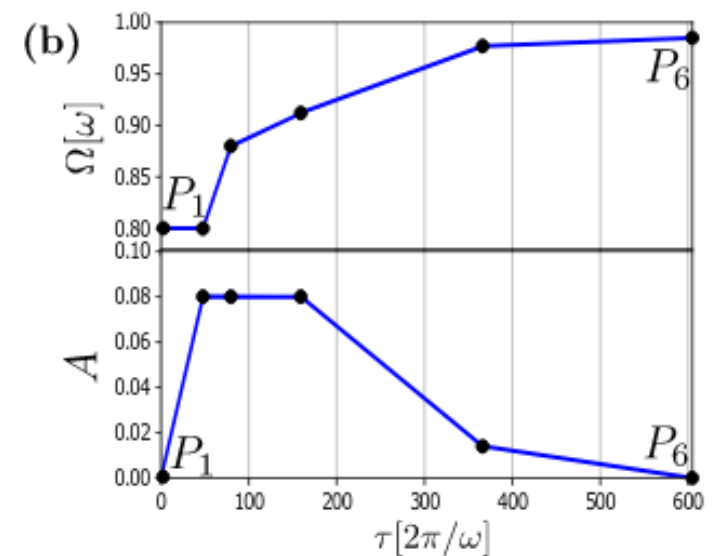
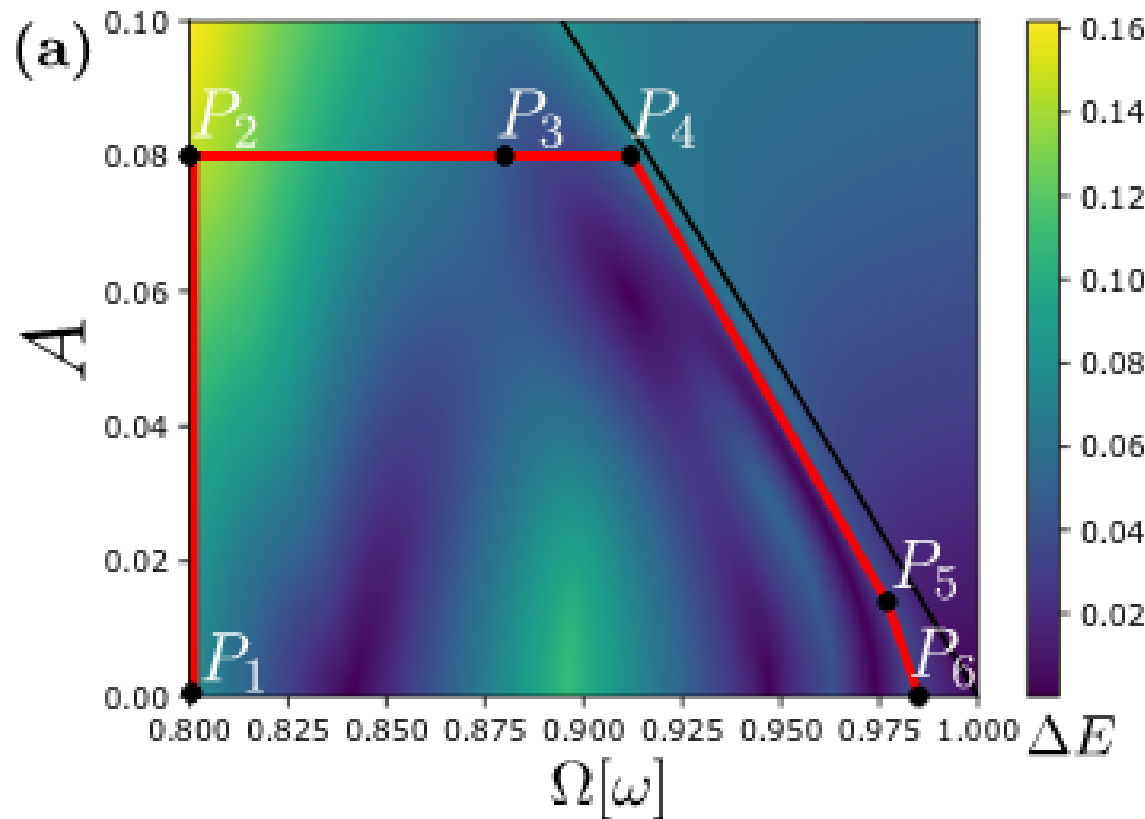
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- Energy gap above ground state:





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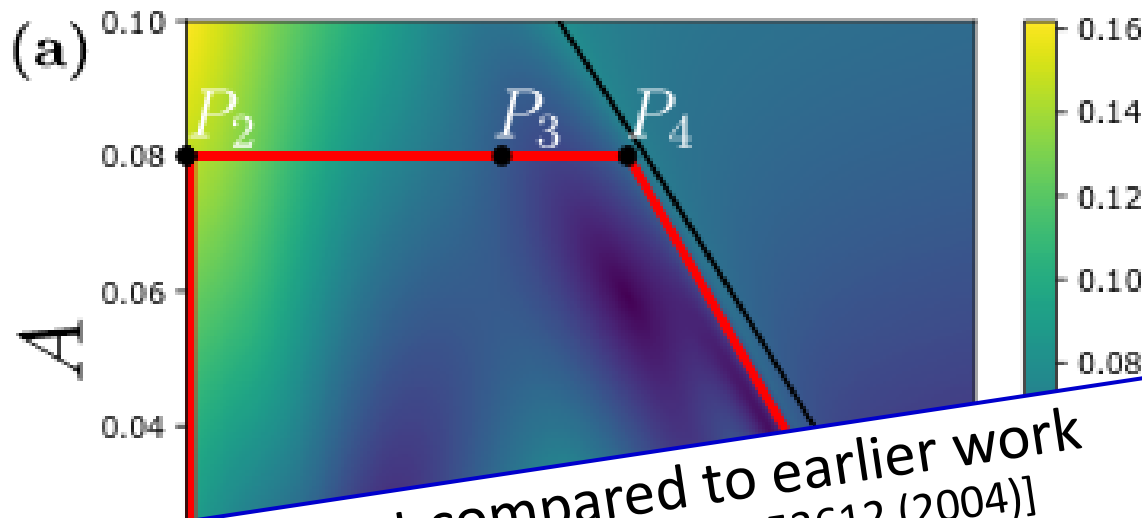
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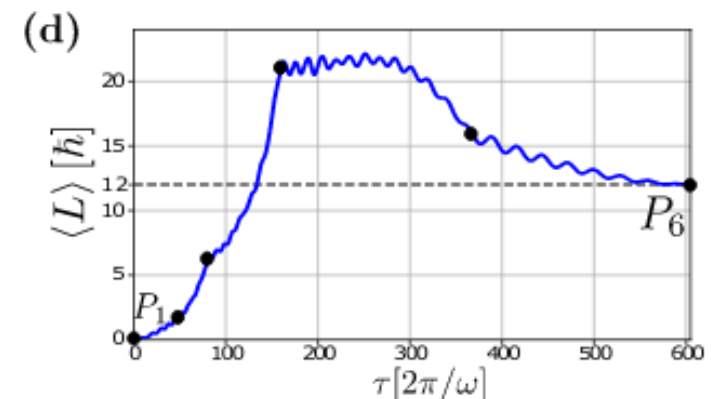
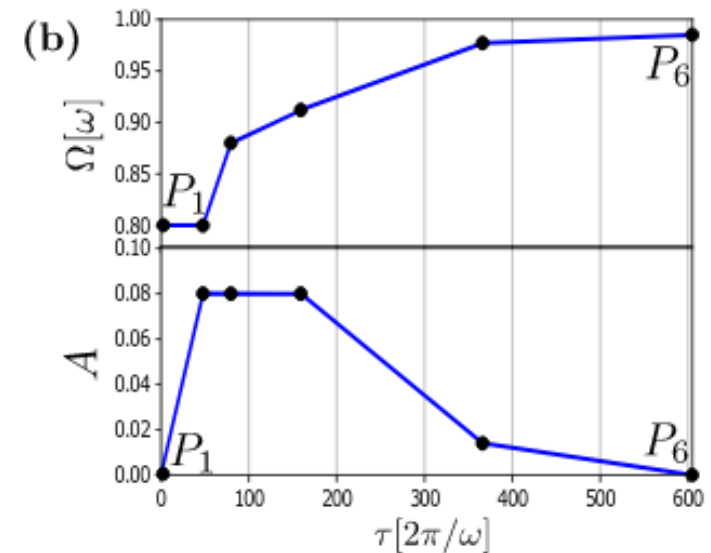


10 x improvement compared to earlier work  
 [Popp, Paredes, Cirac, Phys. Rev. A 70, 053612 (2004)]

- Variable ramp speed!
- Exploiting 2x larger anisotropy!

$\Omega[\omega]$  0.950 0.975 1.000  $\Delta E$

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# Detection of anyons using impurities

- Impurities in FQH liquid: **Bound states with quasiholes**

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- **Screening of magnetic field** due to the liquid:

At filling  $\nu = \frac{N}{N_B}$ , the effective magnetic field for the impurity is:

$$B^* = B(1 - \nu) \Rightarrow l_B^* = l_B / \sqrt{1 - \nu}$$

- **Effective Landau level wave functions** for the impurities:

$$\tilde{\varphi}_m(w) \sim w^m e^{-(1-\nu)|w|^2/4} \quad \rightarrow \text{have average angular momentum: } L_b^m = \frac{m + \nu}{1 - \nu}$$

- Integer  $m$  is an “effective quantum number”

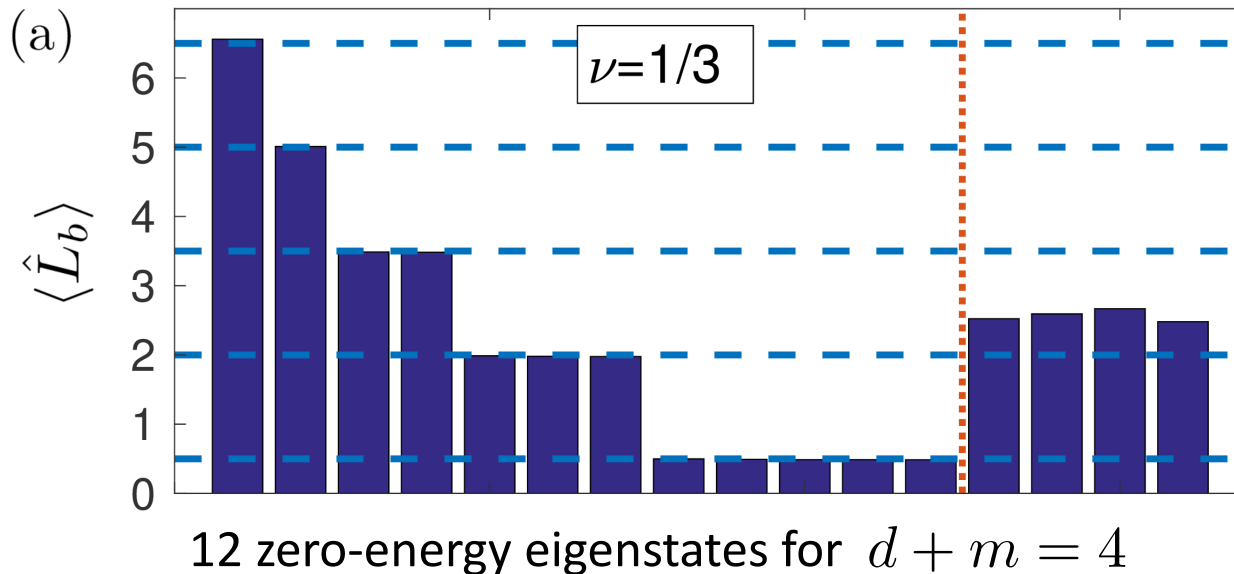
# Verifying the mean-field prediction

- Simple model: Parent Hamiltonian for Laughlin liquid + contact interaction with impurity
- Analytic expression for zero-energy eigenstates:

$$\Psi_{1\text{imp},m} \sim w^m \prod_i (w - z_i) f_d(\{z_i\}) \Psi_L^{(q)}$$

Excitation of impurity      Impurity bound to quasihole      Symmetric polynomial (edge excitations of liquid)      Laughlin state

- Total angular momentum  $L = L_{\text{Laughlin}} + L_{\text{quasihole}} + d + m$



- Impurity angular momentum (average):

$$L_b^m = \frac{m + \nu}{1 - \nu}$$

# Anyonic quantum statistics of impurities

- Given the effective single-impurity levels  $L_b^m = \frac{m + \nu}{1 - \nu}$ ,

a system of  $N_b$  non-interacting impurities should have:

$$L_F \equiv \langle L_b \rangle = \sum_{m=0}^{N_b-1} L_b^m \quad \text{if impurities are fermionic}$$

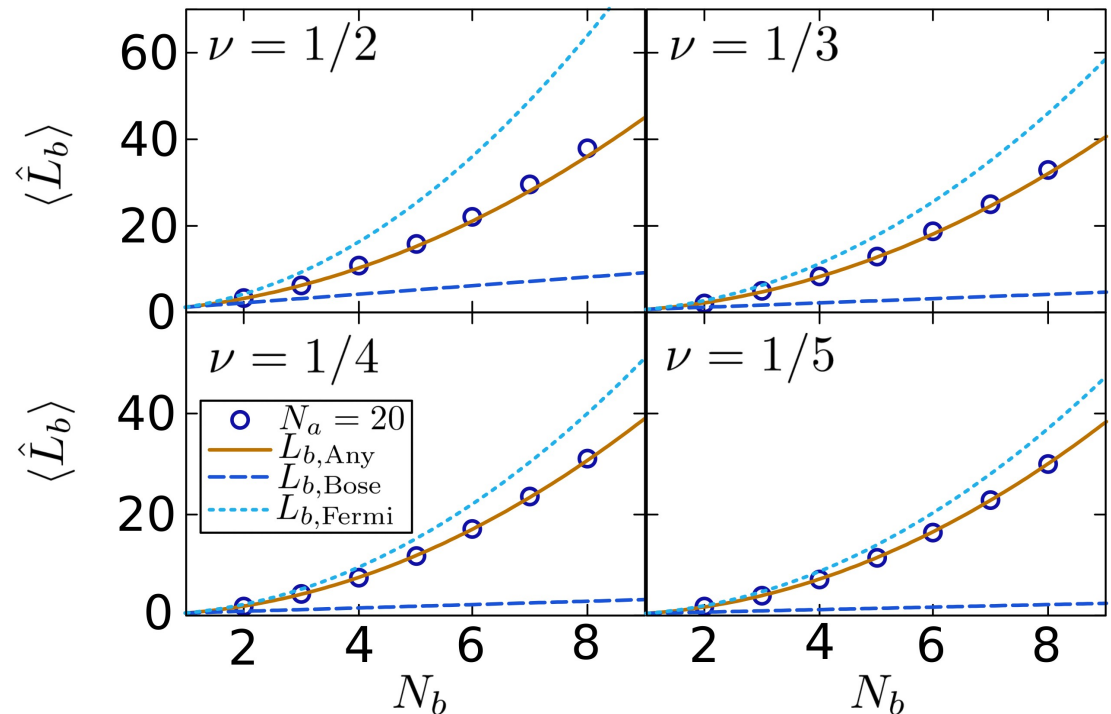
or

$$L_B \equiv \langle L_b \rangle = N_b L_b^0 \quad \text{if impurities are bosonic}$$

- Binding to quasiholes makes (formerly fermionic) impurities exhibit anyonic statistics:

$$L_A = (1 - \alpha)L_F + \alpha L_B$$

where  $\alpha = \nu$  is the statistical parameter of the quasiholes



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Impurities bound to quasiholes are described by effective single-particle levels characterized by their average angular momentum.

Filling of these effective levels is neither bosonic nor fermionic: Impurity angular momentum reflects anyonic statistics.

# THANK YOU!

