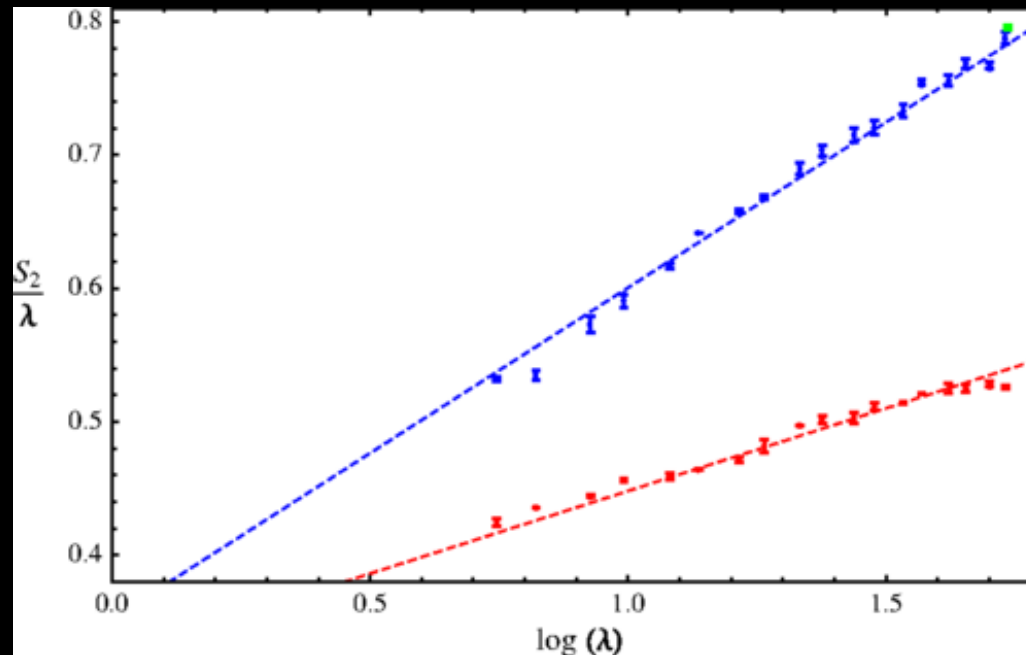


# Entanglement Entropy of the Composite Fermion Fluid at $\nu=1/2$



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Shao, EAK, Haldane, Rezayi, PRL 114, 206402 (2015)

Fermions coupled to  
Chern-Simons

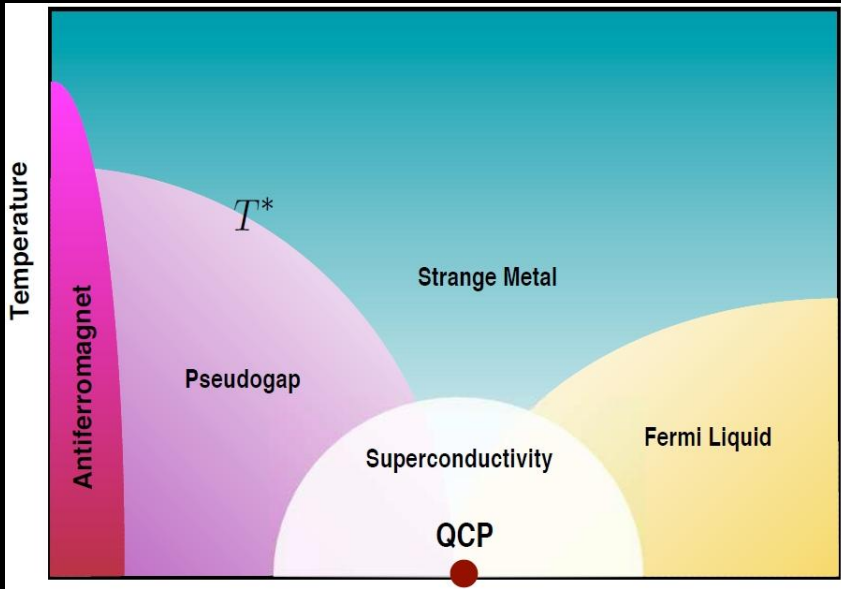
$\nu=1/2$  Fermi  
Fluid

Composite Fermion  
Wave function

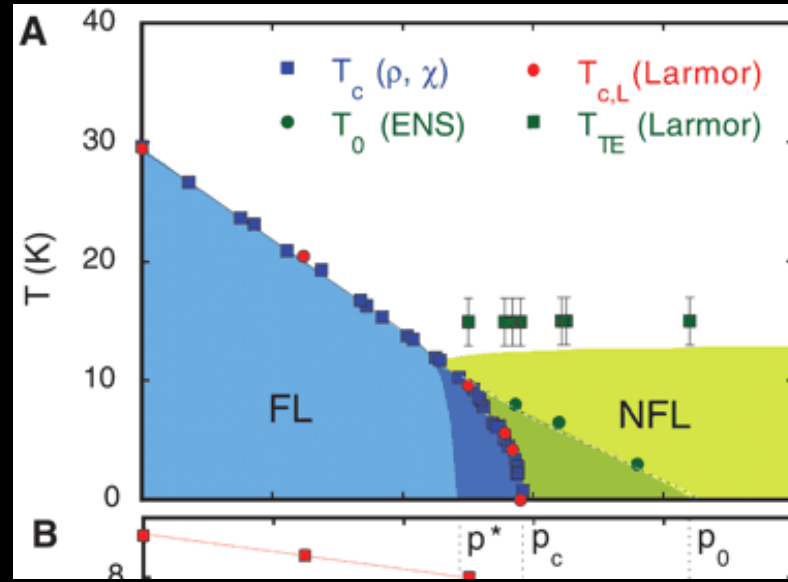
Renyi Entanglement  
Entropy

"Variational" Monte  
Carlo

# Ubiquitous Non-Fermi liquids



Cuperates



MnSi

Heavy fermions  
etc...

vanishing quasi-particle weight, power-law transport, power-law specific heat, diverging effective mass...

order parameter &  
symmetry breaking



# Theoretical Understanding of NFL?

- Holographic constructions
- Diagrammatic studies of Fermions coupled to
  - emergent gauge boson...
  - quantum critical boson...
- Many-body wave functions
  - d-wave bose metal, Jiang et al (2013)
- $\nu=1/2$  Fermi Fluid
  - WF, QFT, and experiment!!!

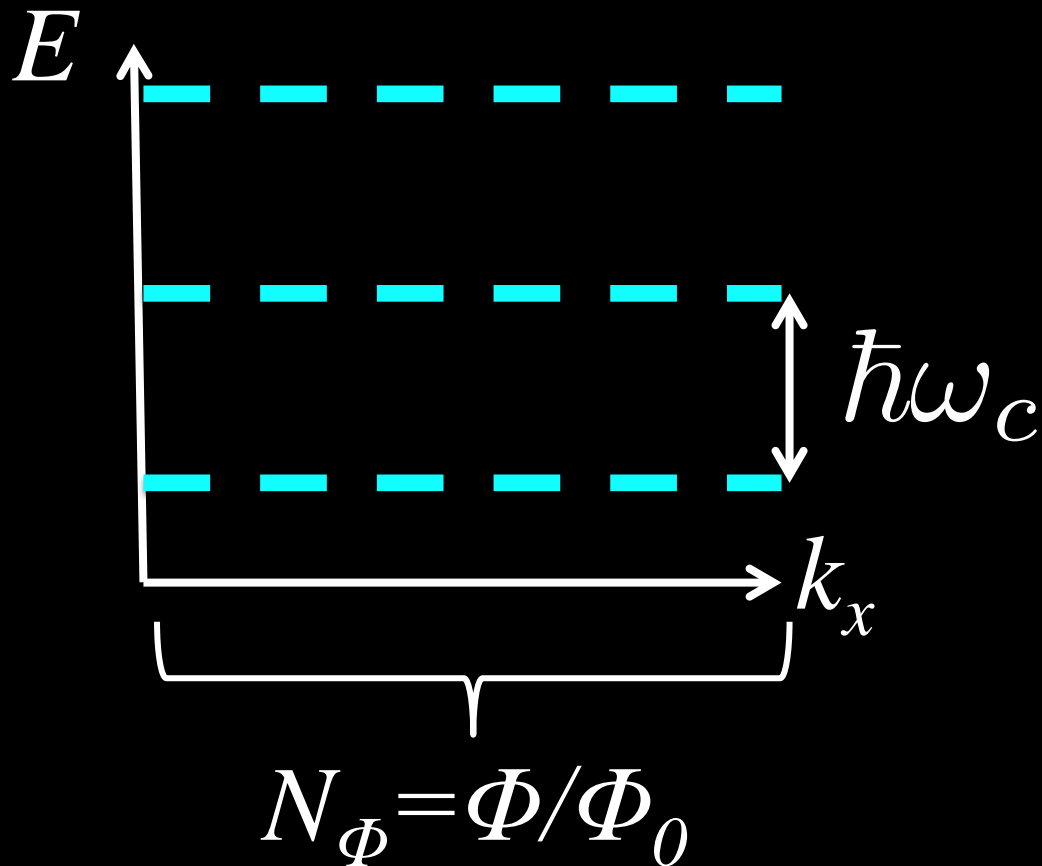
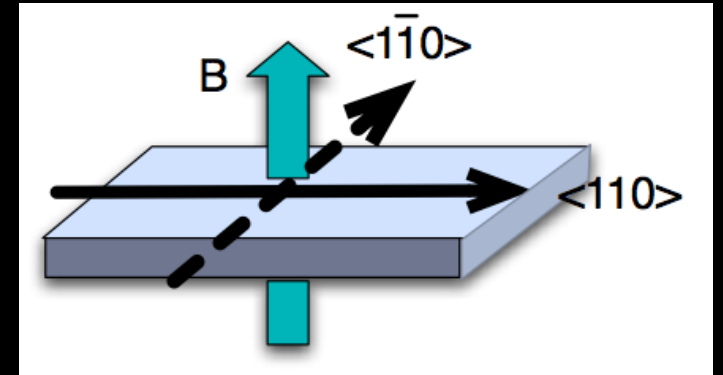
EE of the poster-child NFL:  
 $\nu=1/2$  Composite Fermion Fluid



Larger Context: EE vs Correlation

# 2D Free Fermions under B

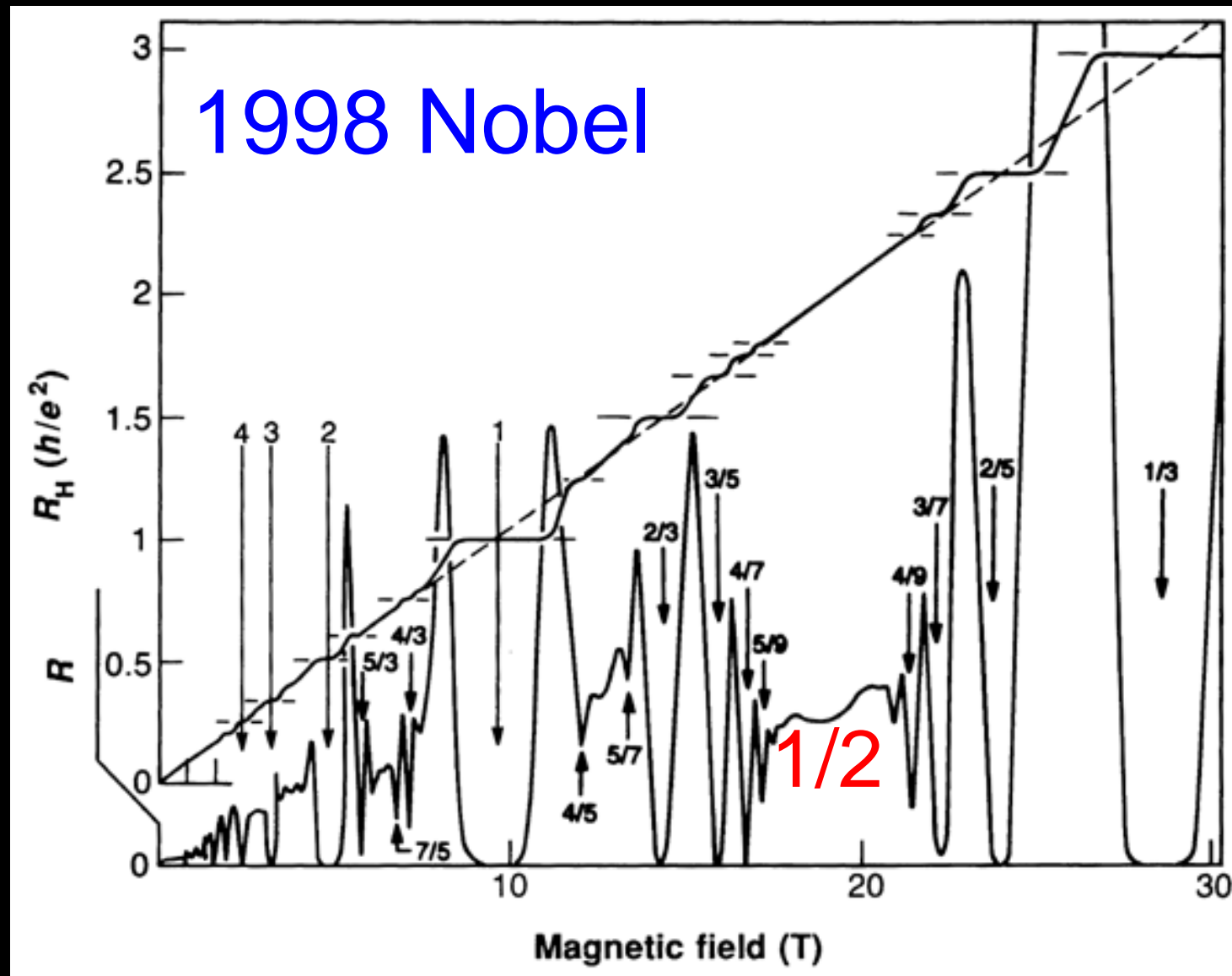
$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (i\vec{\nabla} + \vec{A})^2$$



Filling factor:

$$\nu = N_e / N_\Phi$$

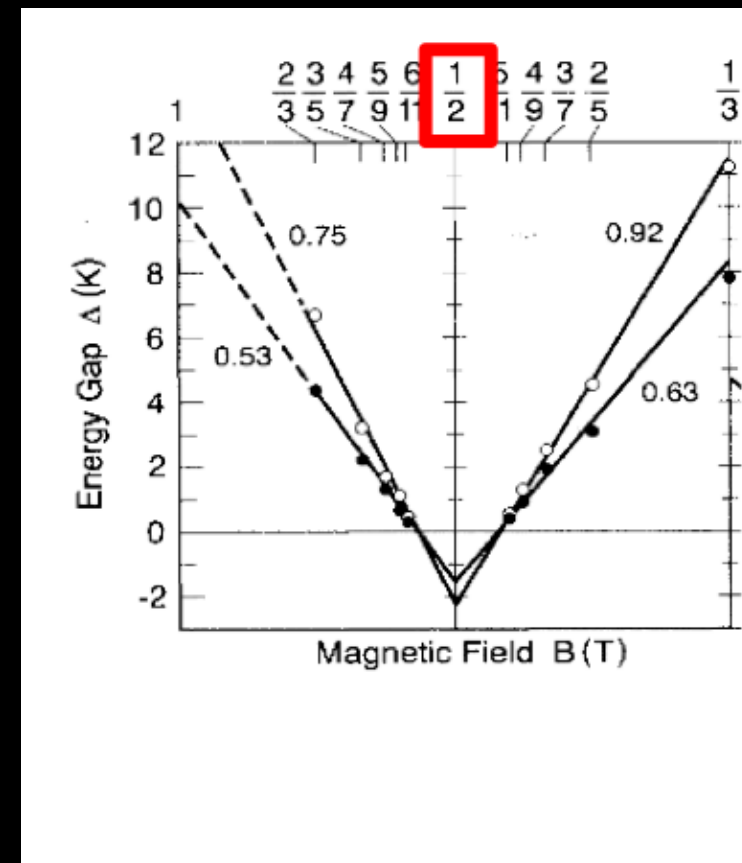
# Interacting Electrons under B





# Gapless $\nu=1/2$ Phenomenology

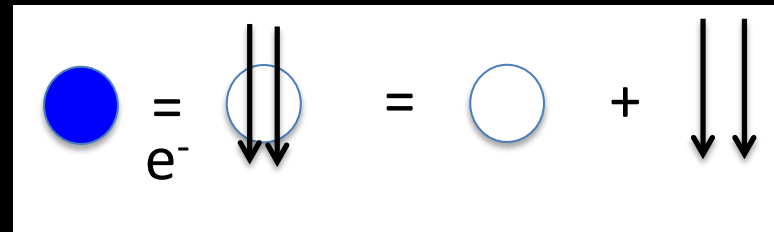
- "Mother" of FQH



Susceptible to pairing and nematic

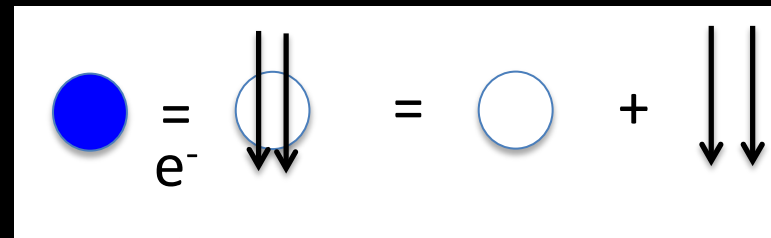
# Composite Fermion

- Flux attachment



Composite Fermion

- FQH of  $e =$  IQH of  $\psi$   
(Jain, 1989)

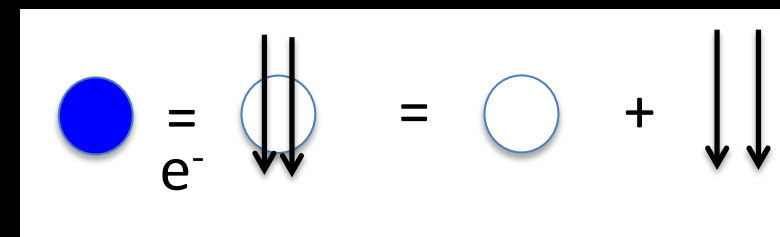


$\nu = 1/3$



$\nu_{\text{eff}} = 1$

- $\nu = 1/2$  of  $e = \psi$  without field  
(Halperin, Lee, Read, 1993)



# Chern Simons - Fermion

- Field theoretic flux attachment (HLR 1993)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{cf}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{4\pi} a \partial a +$$

$$a_\mu \psi(\vec{r}) = c(\vec{r}) e^{-i\Phi \int d\vec{r}' \arg(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \rho(\vec{r}')}$$

constraint:  $\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_{\text{cf}}}{\delta a_t} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \partial_j a_j + \dot{t} = 0$

mean-field:  $\hbar a_i = -\hbar A^E_i$

# Composite Fermion WF

$$\det_{ij} e^{i\mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{R}_j} |\Psi_L^{1/2}\rangle = \det_{ij} t_i(\mathbf{d}_j) |\Psi_L^{1/2}\rangle$$

non-commutative  
guiding center  
within LL

translation by  
 $d^a = \epsilon^{ab} k_b l_B^2$

Bosonic Laughlin

$(z_i - z_j)^2$  with periodic boundary

: elliptic functions

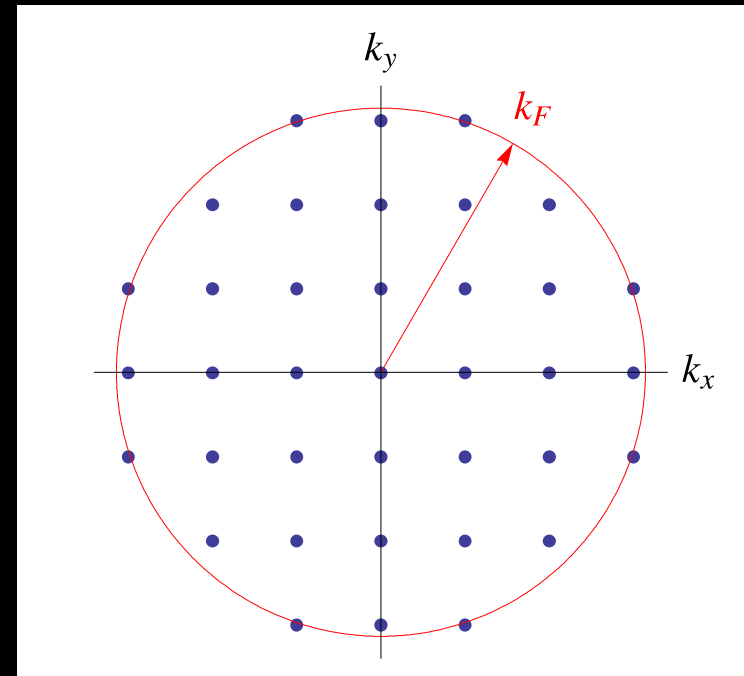
# Filling the Fermi Sea

- Challenge: choosing  $\{ \mathbf{k}_i \}$  in the absence of kinetic energy, i.e. flat band

➤ Minimize 
$$H = \frac{\hbar^2}{2mN} \sum_{i < j} |\mathbf{k}_i - \mathbf{k}_j|^2$$

- For total  $\mathbf{K}=0$ ,  $\{ \mathbf{k}_i \}$  minimizes usual K.E.

- $N=37, 137, \dots$

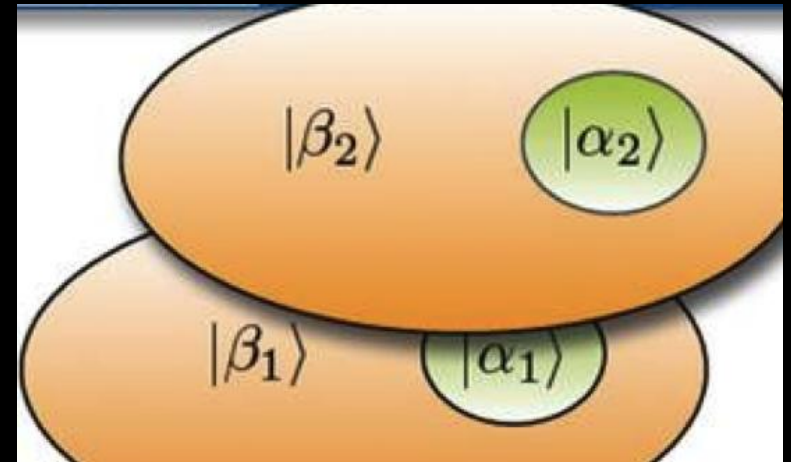


$$S_2(\rho_A) = -\ln(\text{Tr}(\rho_A^2)) \quad \text{from } \langle \text{SWAP}_A \rangle$$

Hastings, Gonzales, Kallin, Melko (2010)

$$\langle \Psi_0 \otimes \Psi_0 | \text{Swap}_A | \Psi_0 \otimes \Psi_0 \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \langle \alpha_1 | \rho_A | \alpha_2 \rangle \langle \alpha_2 | \rho_A | \alpha_1 \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho_A^2)$$



- Convergence issues

➤ Factorize  $\langle \text{SWAP}_A \rangle$ : sign trick (Zhang, Grover, Vishwanath, 2011)



particle number trick (Shao, EAK, Haldane, REzayi, 2015)

Lauchli (2013), McMinis (2013)



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# Logarithmic enhancement in Fermi Gas

- Consistent with Widom conjecture

$$S_\alpha = \frac{1 + \alpha}{24\alpha} c(\mu) L_A^{d-1} \ln L_A$$

Widom (1982), Gioev and Klich (2006), Leschke, Sobolev, Spitzer (2015)

- Purely geometric coefficient

$$c(\mu) = (2\pi)^{1-d} \int_{\partial\Omega} dS_x \int_{\partial\Gamma} dS_k |\mathbf{n}_k \cdot \mathbf{n}_x|$$

Boundary of subregion A

Fermi surface



# Insight into the logarithmic enhancement

Swingle (2010)

- EE of 1D CFT:  $\frac{(c_R + c_L)}{6} \log(L/\epsilon)$

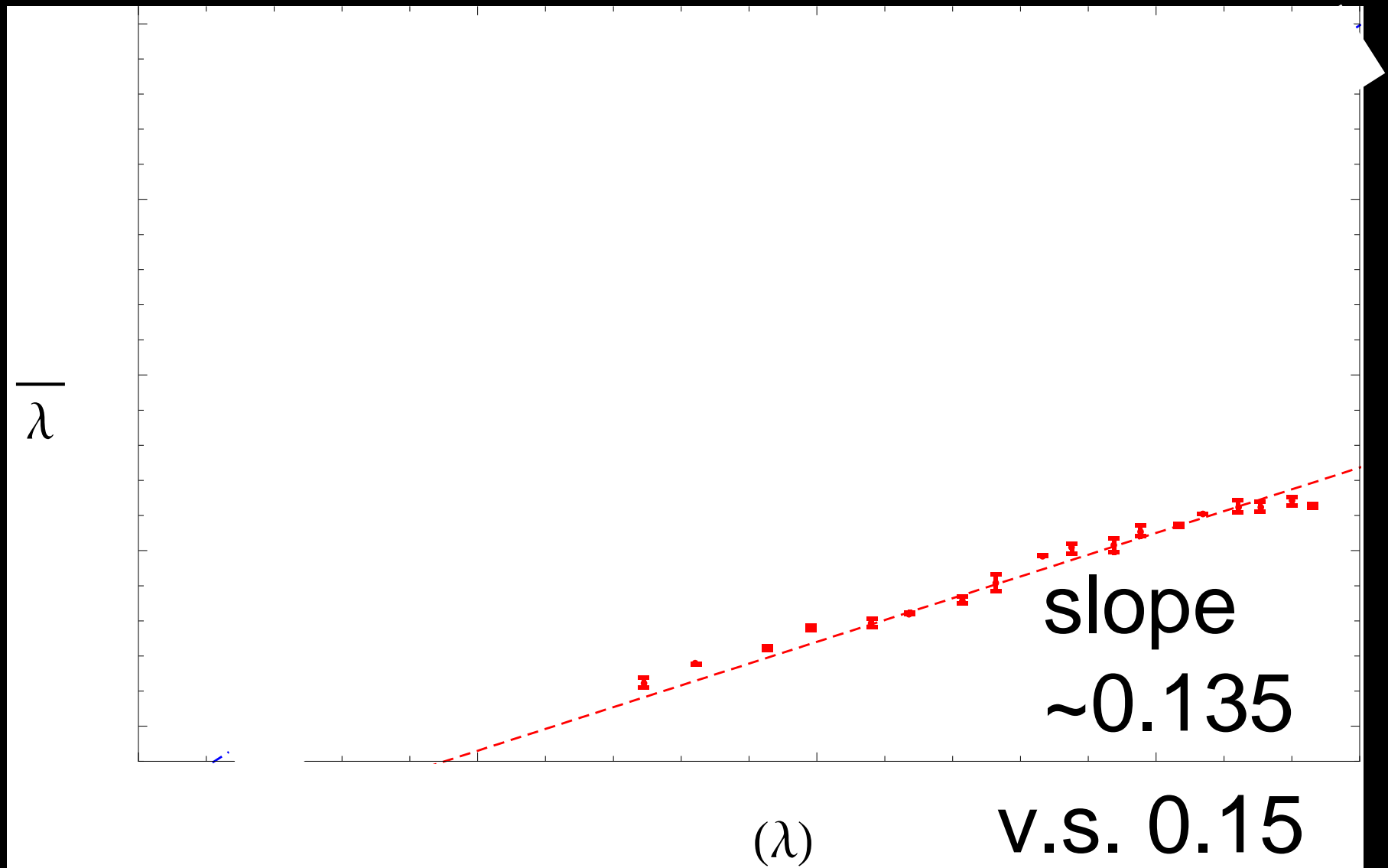
Calabrese & Cardy (2004), Holzhey et al (1994)

- 2D free Fermion:
  - patches of 1D chiral fermion
  - Number of patches  $\sim L/a$ :  
density of modes  $L$ , length of FS  $1/a$

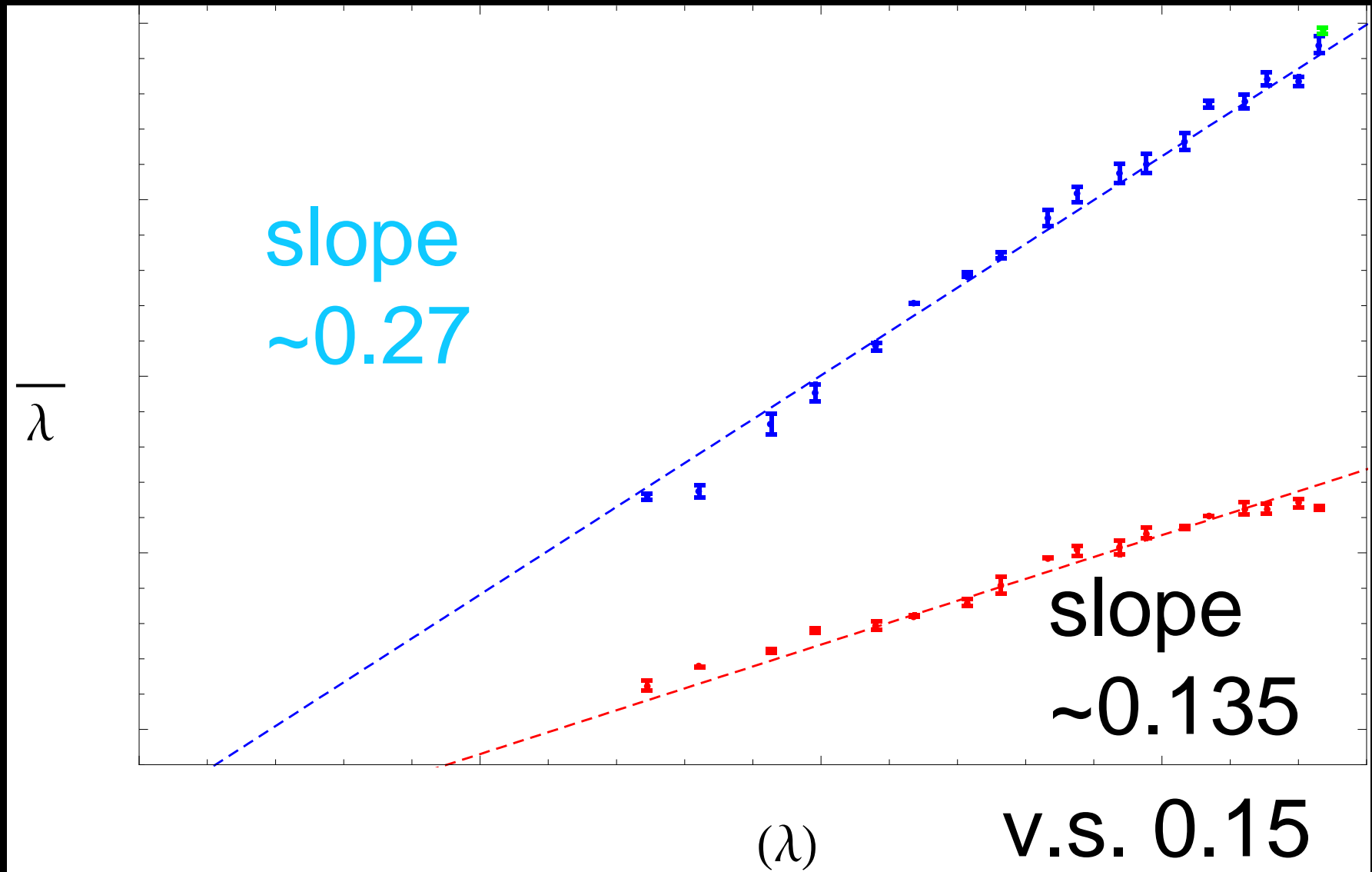
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# Result I: Free Fermion



# Result II: Composite Fermion



# Some Previous Results

- Critical spin-liquid (Gutzwiller projected Fermi surface):  $S_2 = S_{2, \text{free}}$  [Zhang, Grover, Vishwanath, (2011)]
- Fermi liquid via 2D bosonization:  $S_2 = S_{2, \text{free}}$   
[Ding, Seidel, Yang (2012)]
- Slater-Jastrow wave functions: slight enhancement  
[McMinis & Tubman (2013)]
- Scaling conjecture for some 2d NFL:  $S_2 \propto L \log L$   
[Swingle & Senthil (2013)]

# Summary and Questions

- Numerical evaluation of the scaling of  $S_2$

Free fermion

$$S_2 = 0.135 \lambda \log \lambda$$

Composite fermion

$$S_2 = 0.27 \lambda \log \lambda$$

- $2 = 2 \times 1?$ ,  $2 = 1 + 1?$ ,  $2 = ???$
- General conditions for correlations to affect Entanglement?

# Speculations

- Could it be simply the  $(z_i - z_j)^2$  ?

➤ No

- Could it be the over-damped collective mode?

1-loop gauge fluctuation effects:

$S(T) \sim T \log T$  with Coulomb interaction...

Halperin, Lee, Read (1993)

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