

# Quantum Hall effect in Bose-Einstein condensates



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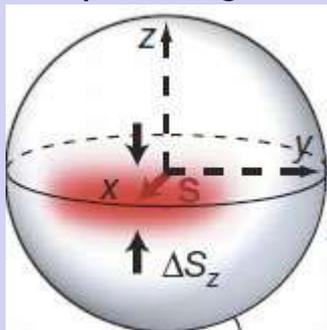
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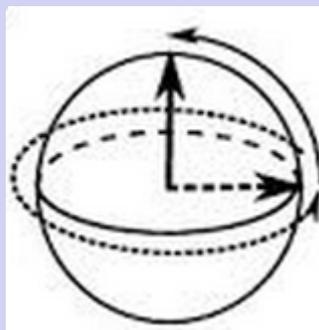
# Quantum information using ensembles/BECs

## Quantum metrology

*Squeezing*



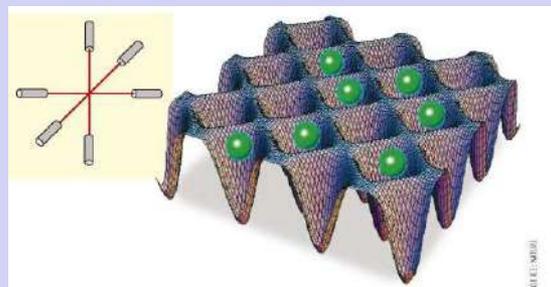
*Interferometry*



Heisenberg  $\phi \propto 1/N$   
 Statistics  $\phi \propto 1/\sqrt{N}$

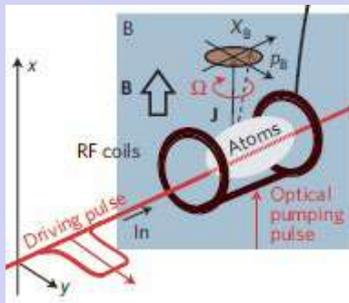
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## Quantum simulation



Understanding quantum many body problems

M. Greiner et al. Nature **415**, 39 (2002)



## Quantum information

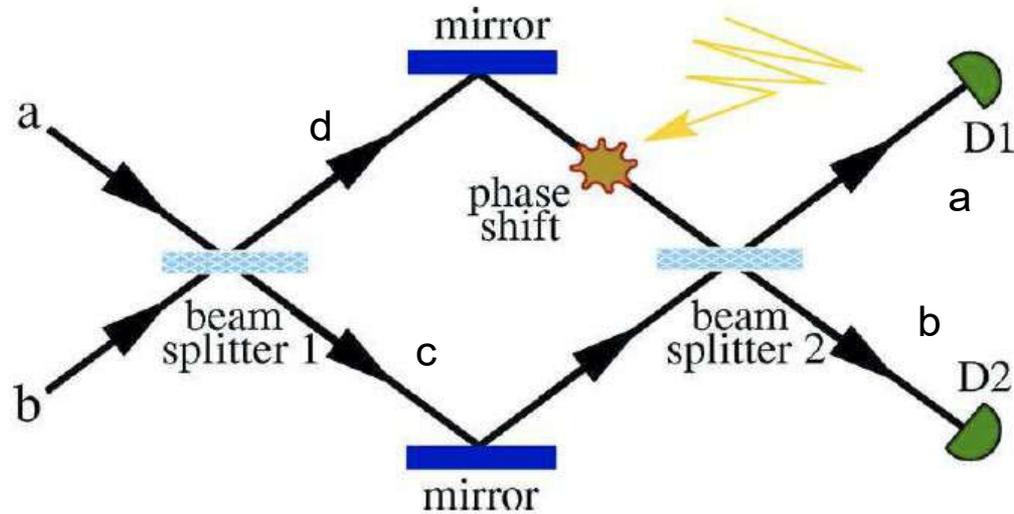
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Quantum computing

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# Quantum assisted interferometry



## Standard trick to obtain quantum enhancement

Standard quantum limit:

$$|a\rangle \rightarrow |c\rangle + |d\rangle \rightarrow |c\rangle + e^{i2\theta} |d\rangle \rightarrow \cos \theta |a\rangle + \sin \theta |b\rangle \quad \theta \propto 1/\sqrt{N}$$

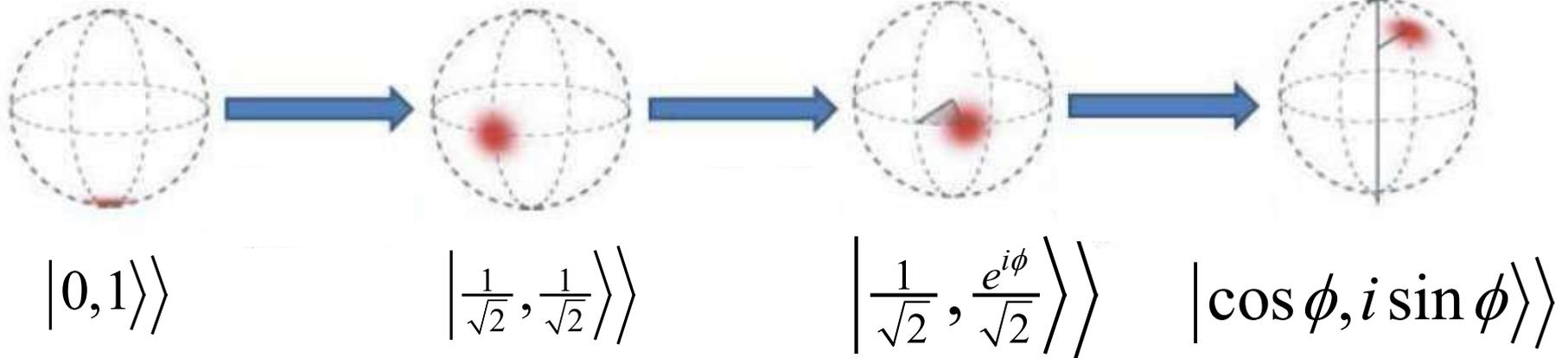
Heisenberg limit:

$$|Na\rangle \xrightarrow{NL} |Nc\rangle + |Nd\rangle \rightarrow |Nc\rangle + e^{i2N\theta} |Nd\rangle \xrightarrow{NL} \cos N\theta |Na\rangle + \sin N\theta |Nb\rangle \quad \theta \propto 1/N$$

# Enhancement by squeezing

## Spin coherent states

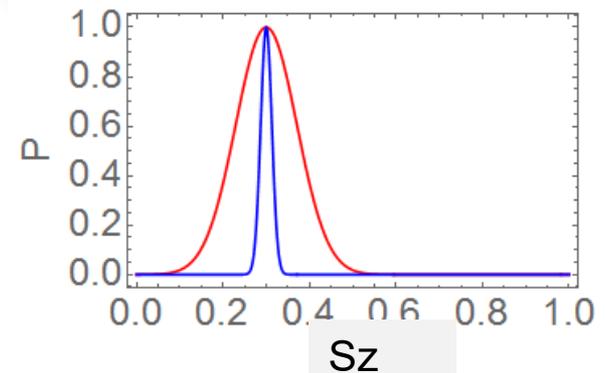
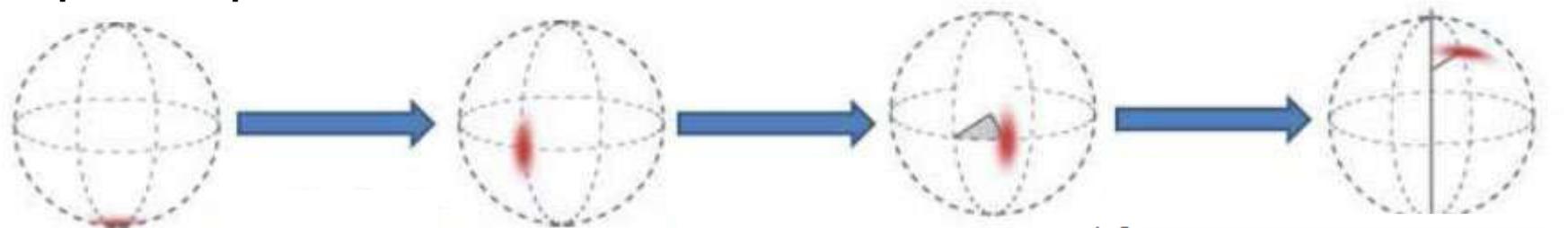
“Standard quantum limit”  $\sim 1 / \sqrt{N}$



## Squeezed spin coherent states

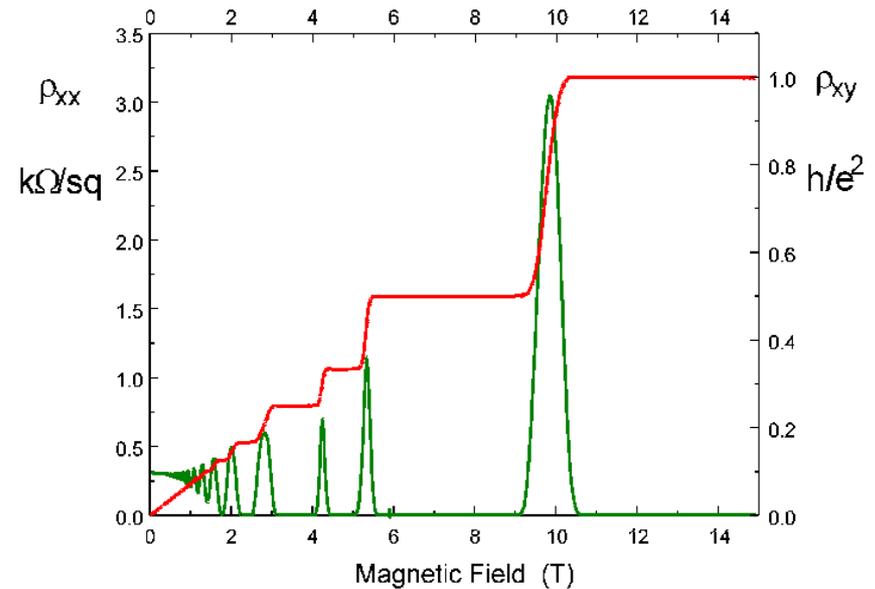
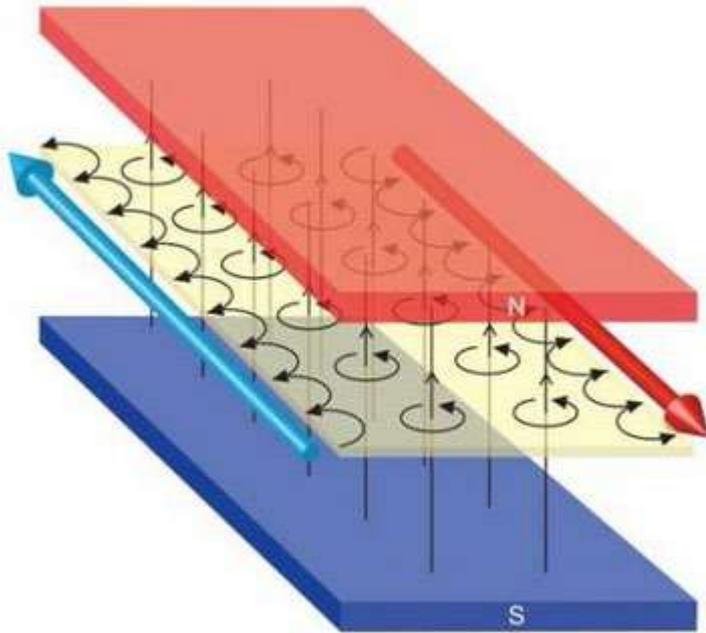
“Heisenberg limit”  $\sim 1 / N$

$$|\alpha, \beta\rangle\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} (\alpha a^\dagger + \beta b^\dagger)^N |0\rangle$$



# Topological quantum states for metrology

The quantum Hall effect (QHE) forms the standard for electrical resistance, due to its extremely precise quantization of resistance



Extremely precise quantization to  $\sim 10^{-10}$

Conductance:

$$\sigma = \frac{I_{\text{channel}}}{V_{\text{Hall}}} = \nu \frac{e^2}{h}$$

$\nu =$  Integer

# Observing the (bosonic) quantum Hall effect in ultracold atoms

It has been the aim for some time to observe quantum Hall type experiments in ultracold atoms:

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 r^2 - \mathbf{\Omega} \cdot \mathbf{L}$$

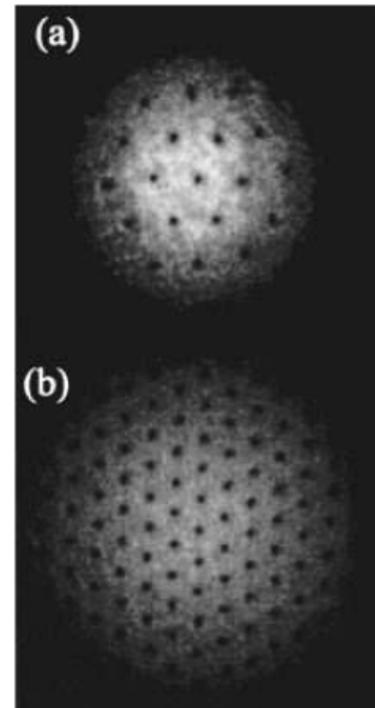
Can be rewritten as

$$H = \frac{(\mathbf{p} - m\mathbf{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r})^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m(\omega^2 - \Omega^2)r^2$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r} \quad \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = 2\mathbf{\Omega}$$

i.e. rotation = effective magnetic field + anti-trapping

Mass plays the role of charge!



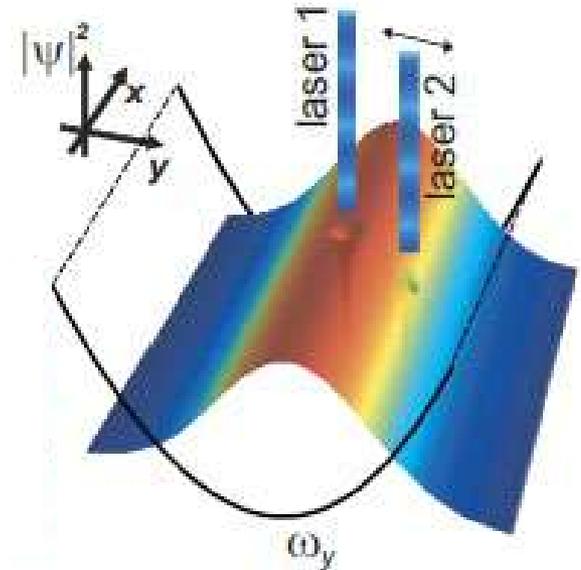
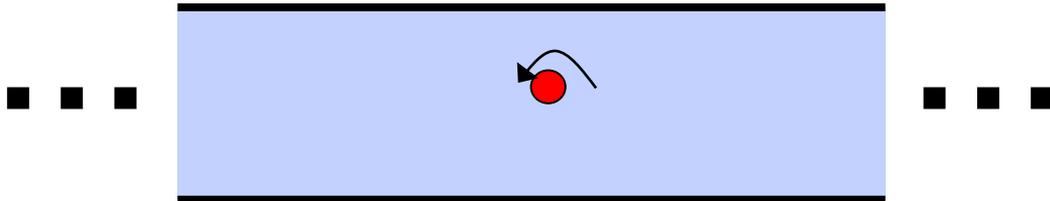
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Full realization of QHE remains elusive

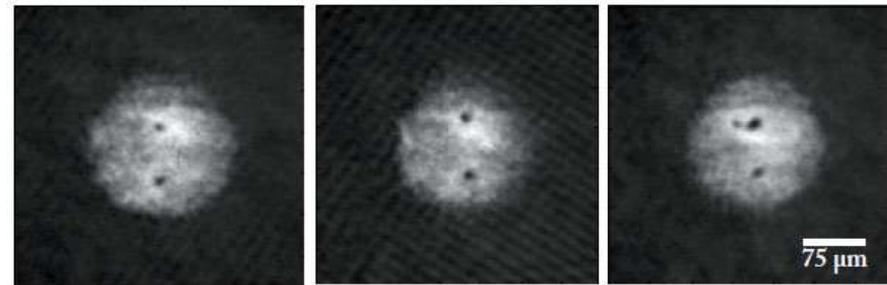
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# Another approach

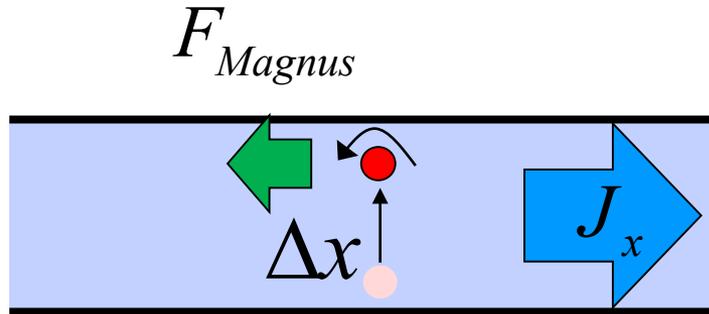
Consider a BEC in a long channel, with the presence of vortices



Assume that the vortices are pinned to a particular location, and they can be controlled with blue-detuned lasers



# Magnus force



$$\vec{F}_{magnus} = \rho_s \vec{K} \times (\vec{v}_{vortex} - \vec{v}_s)$$

Thouless Phys. Rev. Lett. 76, 3758 (1996)

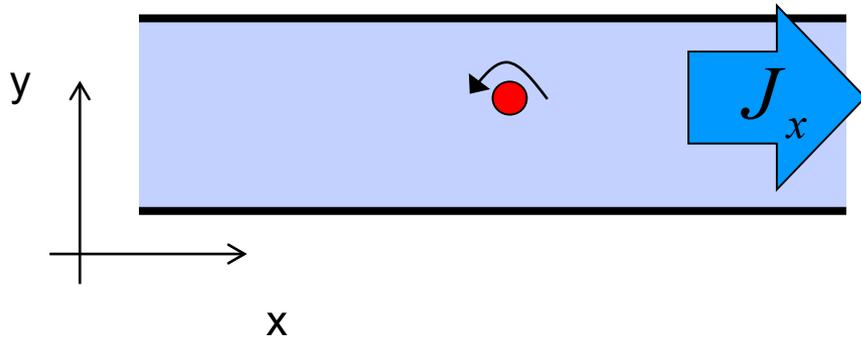
If the vortex is moved, it will experience a Magnus force. For a pinned vortex, it will push the BEC to the right.

The amount of current that is created is a topological invariant, as we show.

Connections between the Berry phase and the magnus force has been known for some time

Ao Phys. Rev. Lett.70, 2158 (1993)

# Single vortex



The total current in the x-direction is

$$J_x = \frac{\langle p_x \rangle}{m} = \int d\mathbf{r} j_x(\mathbf{r})$$

Local current:

$$\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{i\hbar}{2m} [\psi(\mathbf{r})^* \nabla \psi(\mathbf{r}) - \psi(\mathbf{r}) \nabla \psi(\mathbf{r})^*]$$

Now make assumption:

$$\psi(x, y) = \sqrt{\rho(y)} e^{iS(x, y)}$$

i.e. the density dependence is uniform along the channel

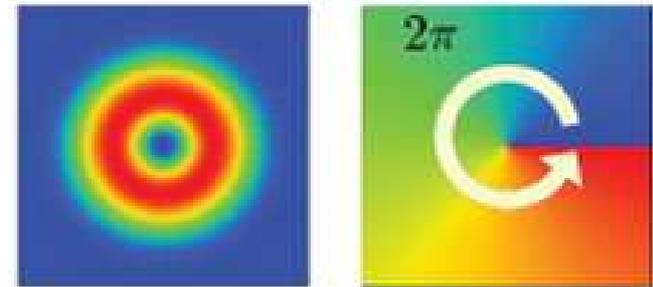
# Current for one vortex

Under the assumption, since  $\mathbf{j} = \frac{\hbar}{m} \rho \nabla S$

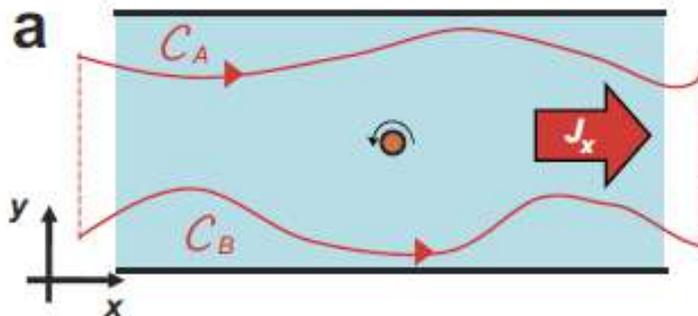
$$J_x = \frac{\hbar}{m} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \rho(y) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \frac{\partial S(x, y)}{\partial x}$$

The x-integral can be evaluated exactly!

$$I(C) = \oint \nabla S \cdot d\mathbf{l} = 2\pi$$



The phase around a vortex is  $2\pi$  independent of the path

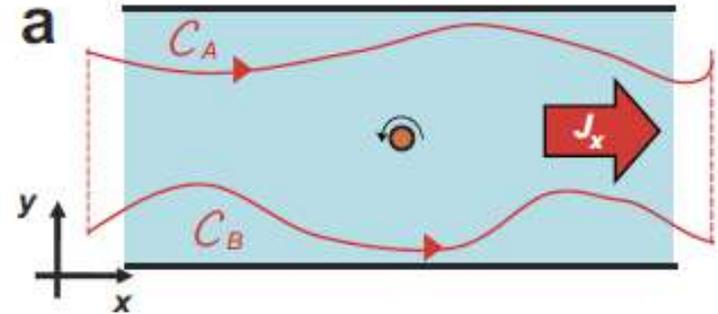


$$I(C_A) - I(C_B) = 2\pi$$

At  $x = \pm\infty$  the phase change is 0

$$I(C_A) = k_0 - \pi \quad (\text{above vortex})$$

$$I(C_B) = k_0 + \pi \quad (\text{below vortex})$$



This gives

$$J_x = \frac{\hbar k_0 \mathcal{N}}{m} + \frac{h}{2m} A_y$$

Current-asymmetry proportionality

Asymmetry parameter: 
$$A_y = \int_{-\infty}^{y_1} dy \rho(y) - \int_{y_1}^{\infty} dy \rho(y)$$

(Number of particles above the vortex – Number of particles below the vortex)

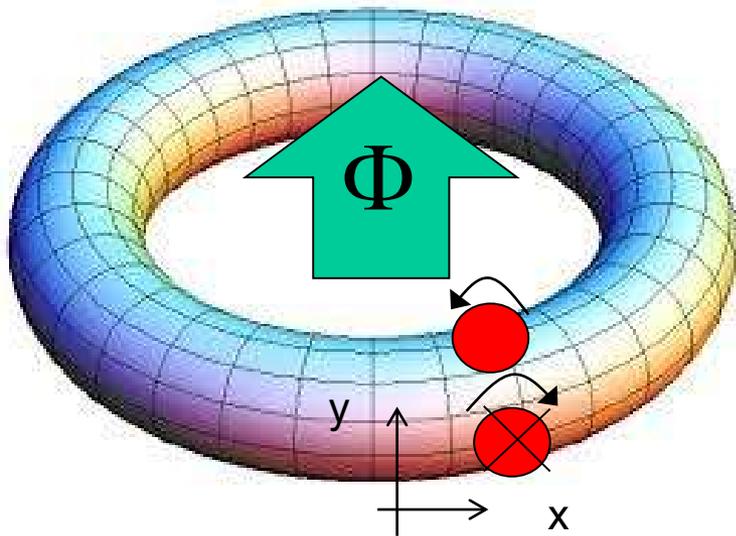
$\mathcal{N}$  = Total number of particles in BEC

# Current-vortex position relation

For an infinitesimal vortex displacement

$\rho(y_1)$  = density at vortex position

$$\begin{aligned}\delta J_x &= \frac{\hbar}{2m} [A_y(y_1 + \delta y) - A_y(y_1)] \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{m} \int_{y_1}^{y_1 + \delta y} dy \rho(y) \\ &\approx \frac{\hbar}{m} \delta y \rho(y_1).\end{aligned}$$



Agrees with Laughlin's gauge argument

- 1) Create vortex-antivortex pair
- 2) Wrap around in  $y$ -direction and annihilate
- 3) There is a phase in the  $x$ -direction like

$$e^{2\pi i x / L_x}$$

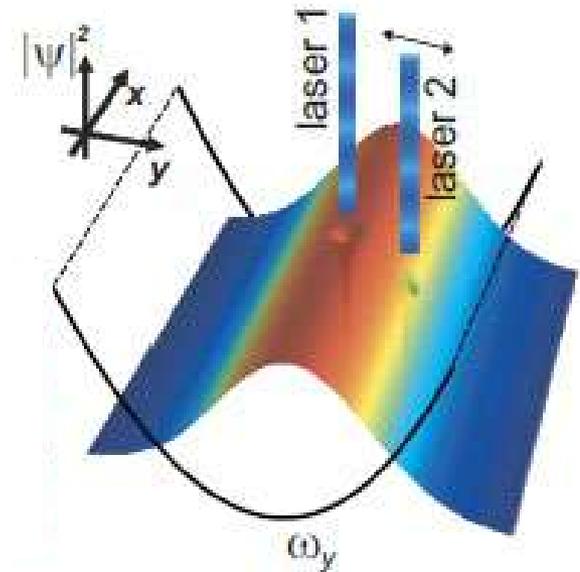
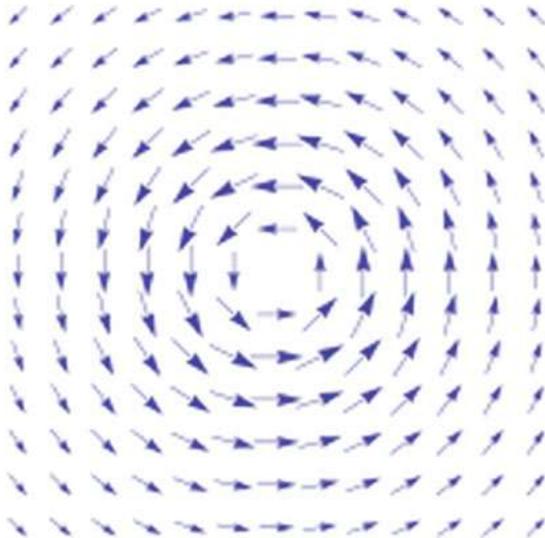
- 4) The momentum is 
$$\Delta p_x = \frac{2\pi \hbar \mathcal{N}}{L_x} = 2\pi \hbar n L_y$$
- 5) Integrating gives same as above

# Some numerics

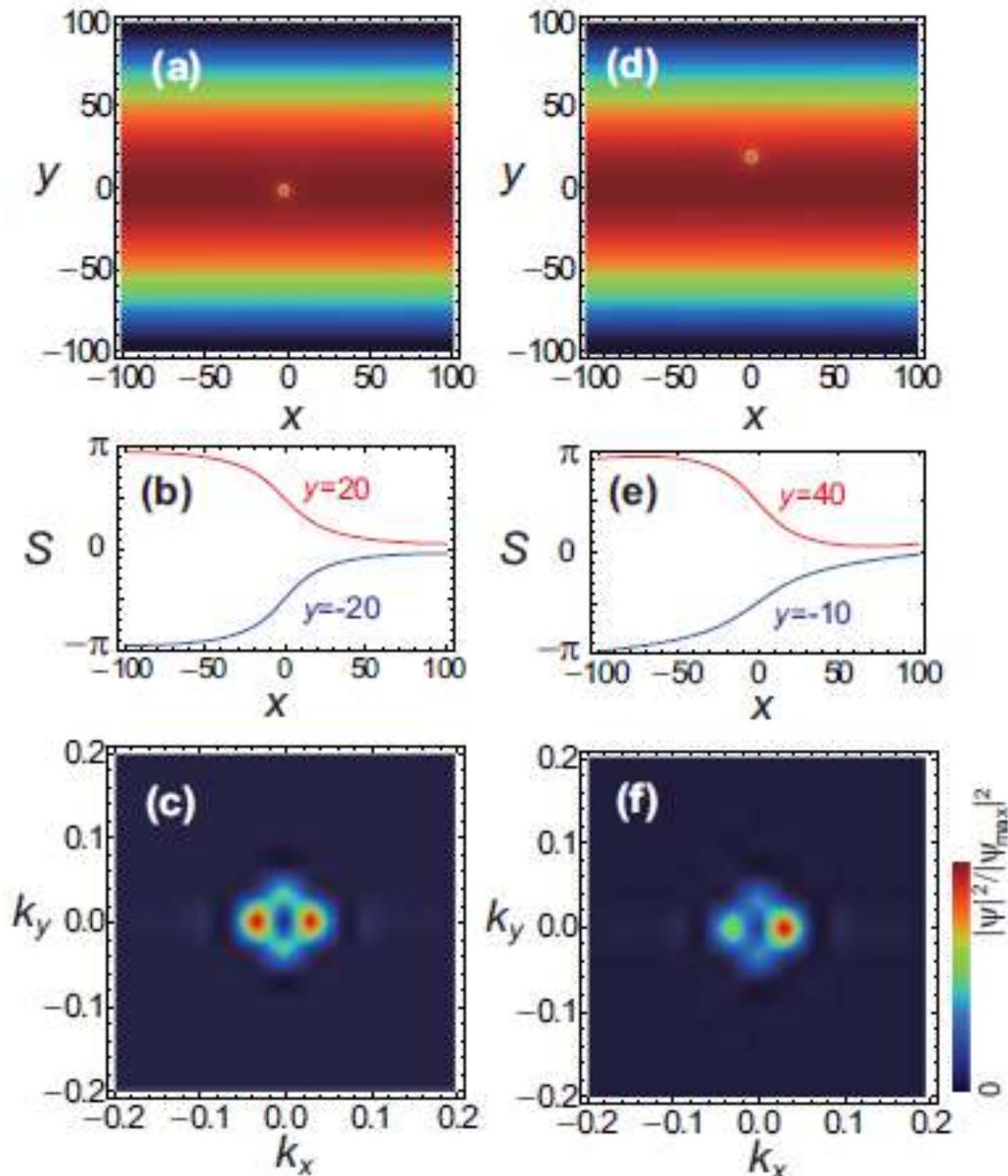
Simulate 2D Gross Pitaevskii equation in a harmonic trap in y-direction

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega_y^2 y^2 + V_0 \sum_k \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_k) + g |\psi|^2 \right] \psi$$

Use open boundaries in y-direction, antiperiodic  
Mobius boundary conditions in x-direction



# One vortex case



Length scale is healing length

$$\xi = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar^2}{2mgn}}$$

$$\hbar\omega_y/E_0 = 0.02, V_0/E_0 = 1, k_0 = 0$$

# Multi-vortex version

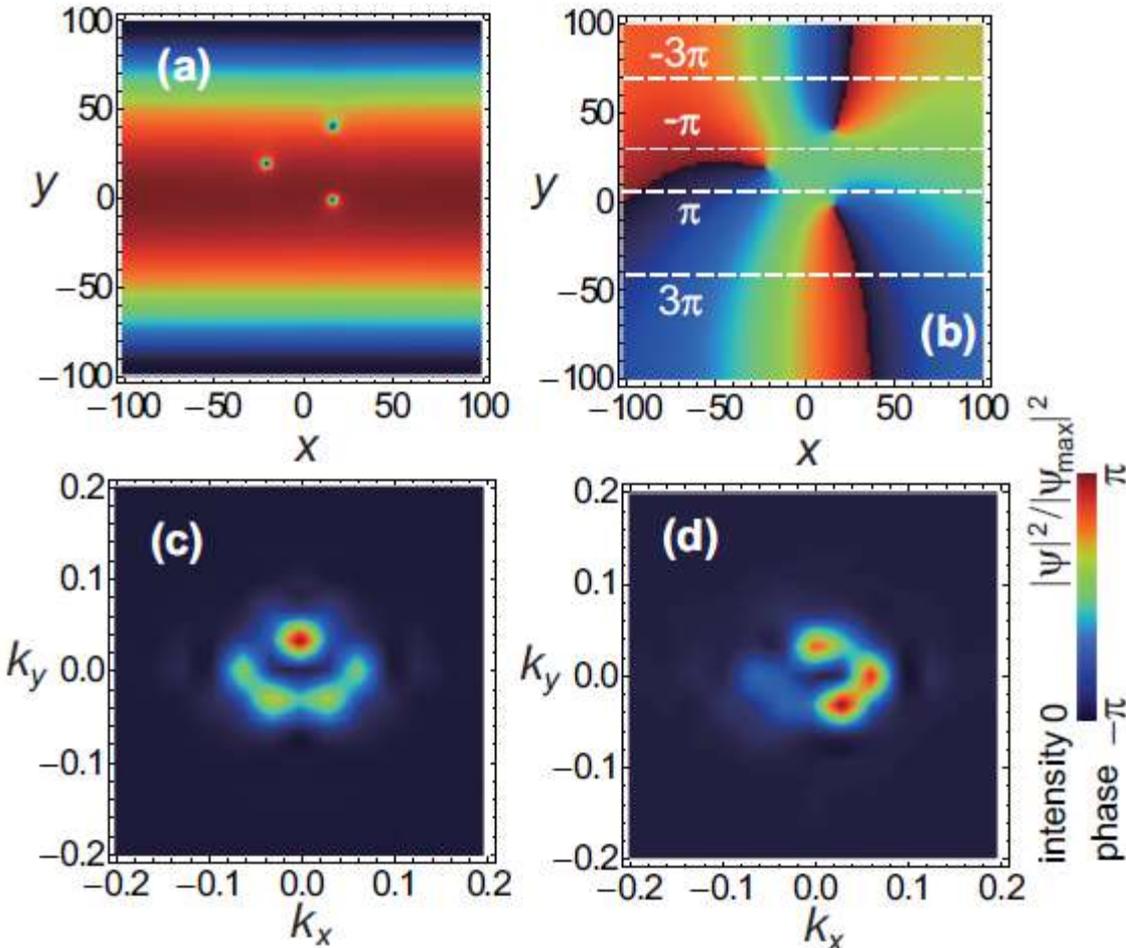
Current displacement relation is simply the sum of contributions from each vortex:

$$J_x = \frac{\hbar k_0 \mathcal{N}}{m} + G_{xy} A_y$$

$$A_y = \sum_{l=0}^N \frac{2l - N}{N} \int_{y_l}^{y_{l+1}} dy \rho(y)$$

Infinitesimal displacements

$$\delta J_x \approx \frac{h}{m} \delta y \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=1}^N \rho(y_l)$$



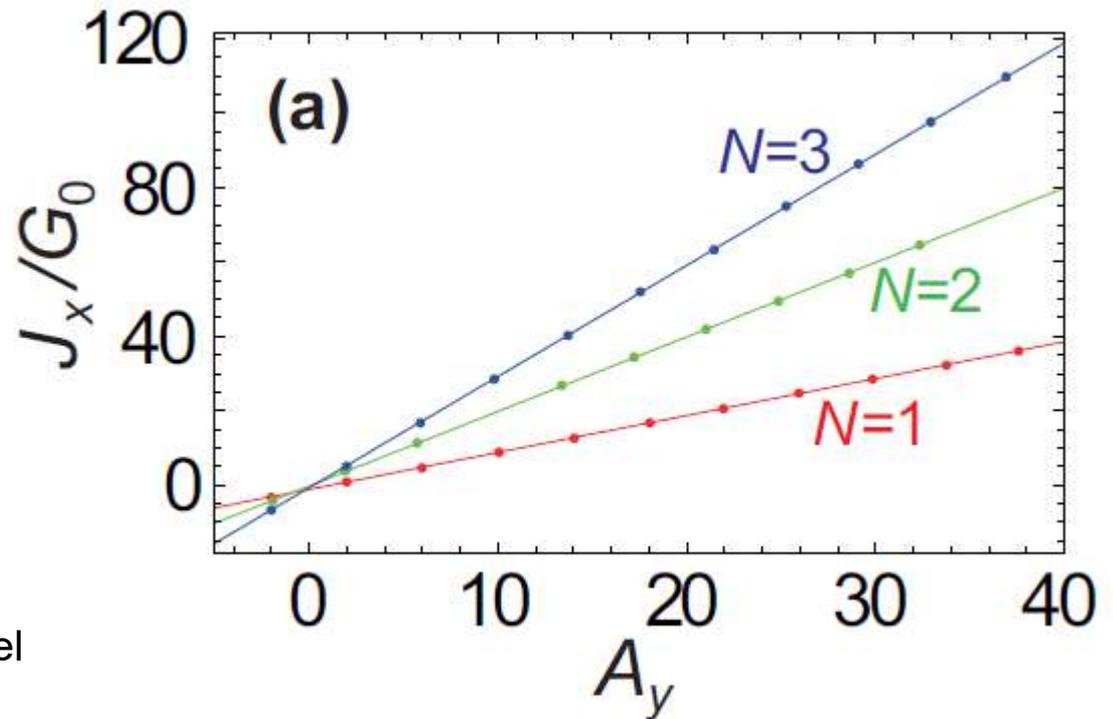
# Estimate of $h/m$

Obtain current-asymmetry relations quantized in  $G_0$

$$G_0 = \frac{h}{2m}$$

$N$ =Number of vortices

Gradients are integral to ~1% level



Why only 1%?

- Due to numerical restrictions, only short channels simulated
- Vortex size corrections significant?
- Numerical issues?

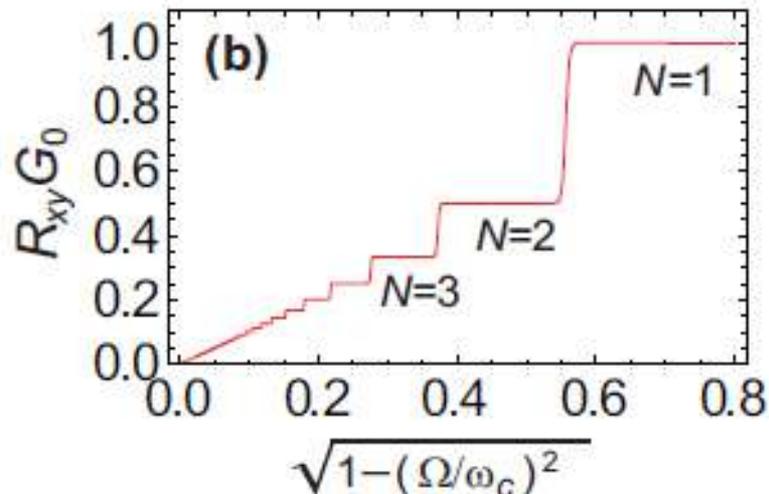
# Quantum hall behavior

We can get a very quantum Hall effect like curve by assuming that the number of vortices is generated according to

$$N = \left\lfloor \kappa \frac{\Omega/\omega_c}{\sqrt{1 - (\Omega/\omega_c)^2}} \right\rfloor$$

A. Kato, Phys. Rev. A **84**, 053623 (2011).

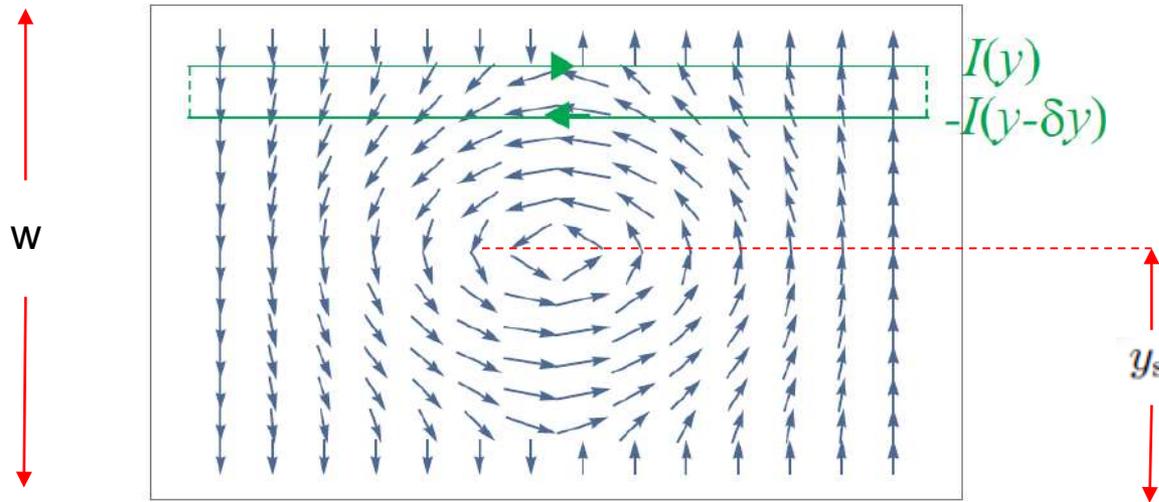
$\omega_c$  = critical rotation frequency where vortices proliferate  
K = proportionality constant



$$G_0 = \frac{h}{2m}$$

# Skyrmion quantum spin Hall effect

Using this new quantized spin current, we can define a new kind of QSHE



Defining

$$I(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} j_Q^x(x) dx \quad \longrightarrow \quad I(y) = \begin{cases} j_0 & \text{if } y < y_s \\ j_0 + \frac{h}{M} \bar{m} & \text{if } y > y_s \end{cases}$$

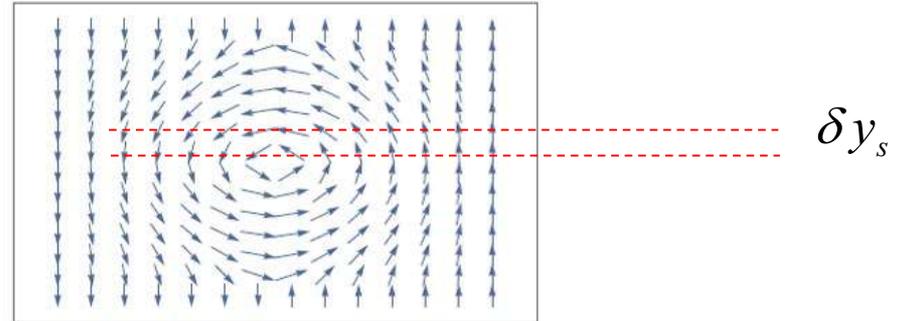
Then the total quantized spin current is

$$J_Q^x \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} j_Q^x(x) dx dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I(y) dy = j_0 w + \frac{h}{M} \bar{m} y_s$$

# Current-asymmetry relation

For a uniform spin density, the transverse quantity is the vortex displacement

$$\sigma_Q = \frac{dJ_Q^x}{dy_s} = \frac{h}{M} \bar{m}$$



For a non-uniform spin density, we can define an asymmetry parameter as before

$$A_y = \int_{-\infty}^{y_s} \rho(y) dy - \int_{y_s}^{\infty} \rho(y) dy$$

$$\sigma_Q = \frac{dJ_Q^x}{dA_y}$$

# S=1 BEC Example

Consider a S=1 spin texture, e.g. a Rb87 BEC

$$|\psi(\mathbf{x})\rangle = e^{i(f(\mathbf{x})+g(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u}\cdot\mathbf{S})}|\psi_0\rangle$$

$$\mathbf{S} = (S_x, S_y, S_z)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = (\sin\theta\cos\phi, \sin\theta\sin\phi, \cos\theta)$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = m\theta$$

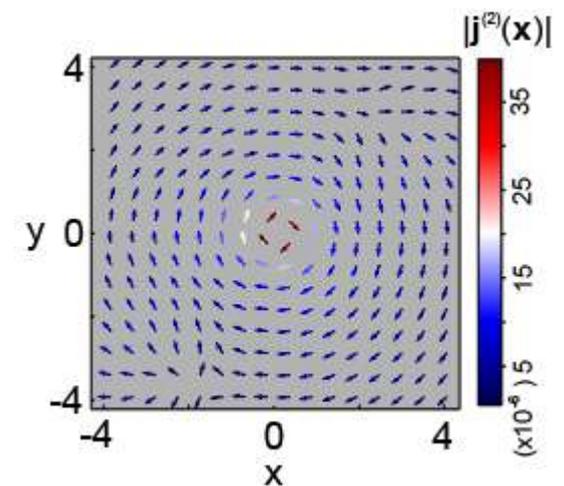
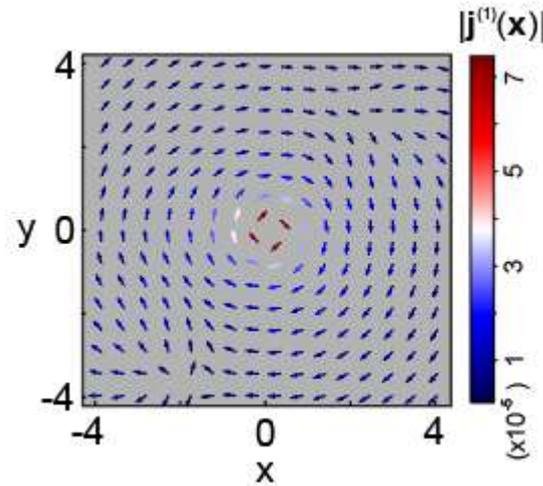
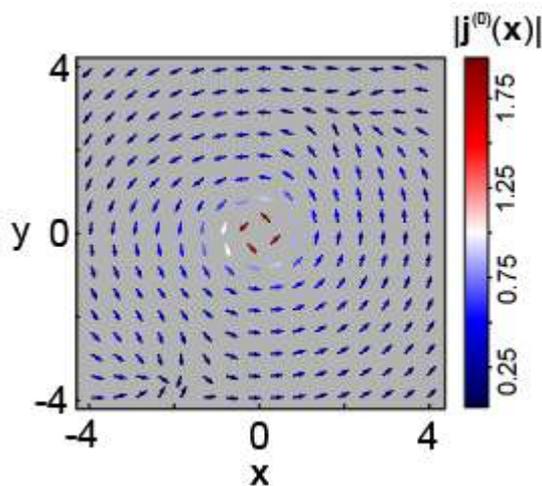
$$g(\mathbf{x}) = m'\theta n(\mathbf{x})$$

$$n(\mathbf{x}) = 1 + \gamma \sum_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_i|^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

(noise function)

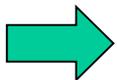
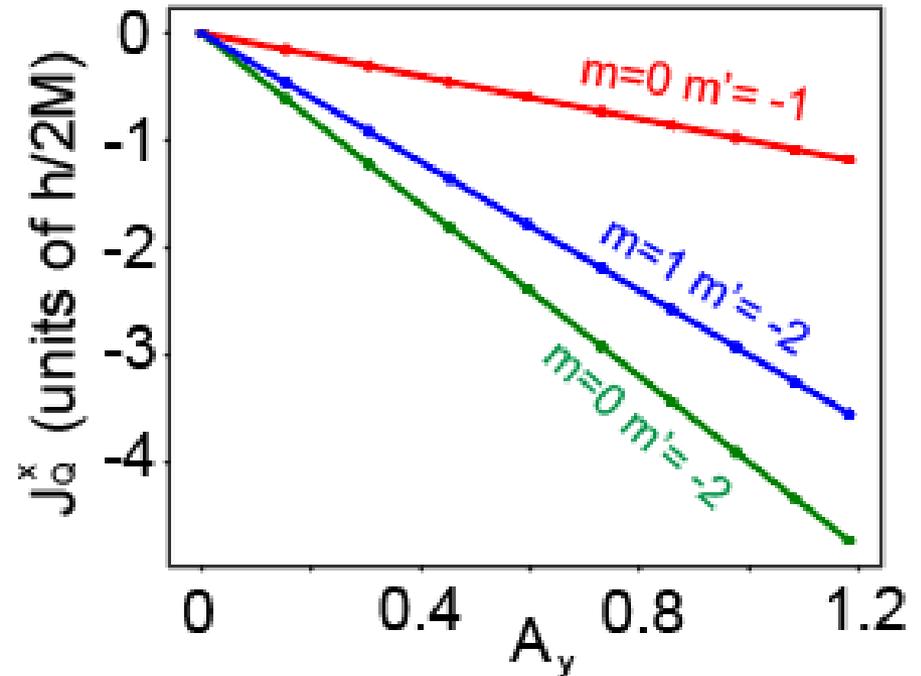
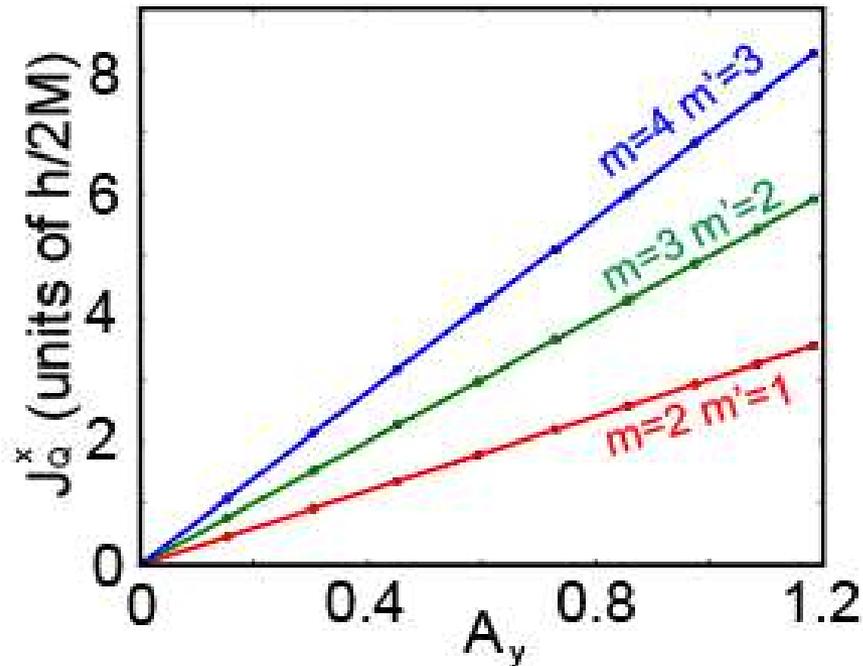
$$j^{(l)}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv -\frac{i\hbar}{2M} \langle \psi(\mathbf{x}) | (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{S})^l | \nabla \psi(\mathbf{x}) \rangle + \text{H.c.}$$

lth order spin currents



# Current-asymmetry relations

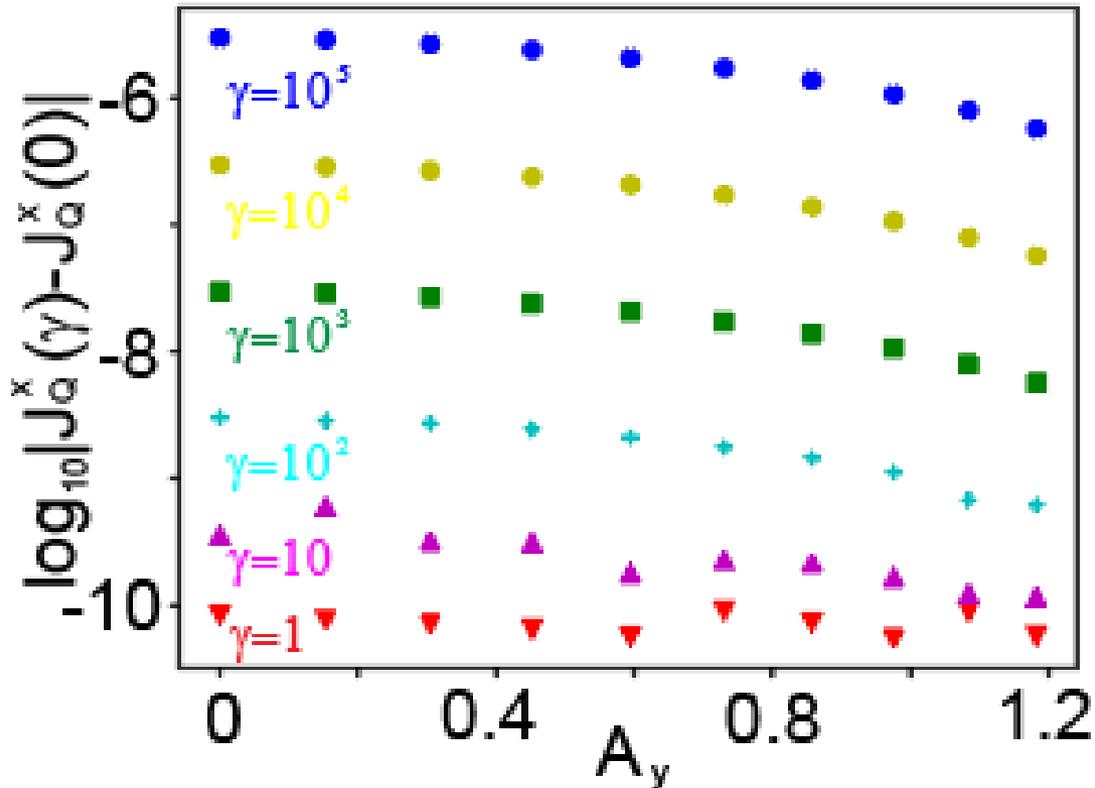
For various choices of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$



Perfect linear relations

# Deviation from ideal relation

Very accurate quantization, even for large noise



# Summary and conclusions

- Topological quantum states offer an exciting route towards quantum metrology and computing
- Kitaev chains can store quantum information robustly using Majorana Zero Modes.
- Experimentally performed quantum simulation of teleportation of anyon encoded states.
- Proposed a simple way to observe quantum Hall physics by manipulating vortices in BECs
- Conductance plateaus seen in units of  $m/h$  : a potential method of precisely measuring the mass of the BEC atoms
- Requires a precise measurement of the vortex position in the density distribution. This can be performed using phase contrast imaging

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