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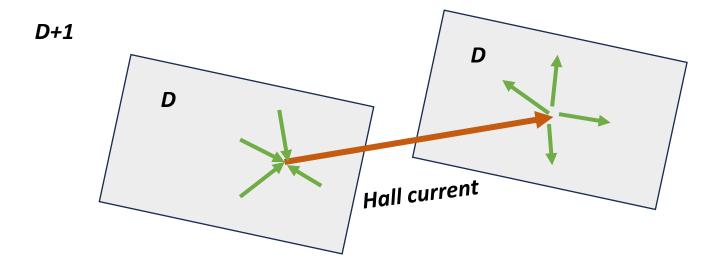
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## **Massless modes on defects and Hall current**

## **Domain wall fermions in odd dimensions:** massless modes on defects produce an anomaly



Can one say anything about massless modes on defects in even dimensions or for theories without chiral symmetry?

### Can one say more about massless modes on defect?

## - Yessss D. Kaplan and S. Sen arXiv:2112.06954

Fermion index: 
$$I = \lim_{M \to 0} \mathcal{I}(M)$$
  
 $\mathcal{I}(M) = \operatorname{Tr} \left( \frac{M^2}{\mathcal{D}^{\dagger} \mathcal{D} + M^2} - \frac{M^2}{\mathcal{D} \mathcal{D}^{\dagger} + M^2} \right)$   
 $= \operatorname{Tr} \Gamma_{\chi} \frac{M}{K+M},$ 

Looks like a propagator of some new theory:

$$S = \int d^{d+1}x \,\overline{\Psi}(K+M)\Psi$$
$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\mathcal{D}^{\dagger} \\ \mathcal{D} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \, \Gamma_{\chi} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \, \{K, \Gamma_{\chi}\} = 0$$

So the index become:

$$\mathcal{I}(M) = -M \int d^{d+1}x \left\langle \overline{\Psi}(x) \Gamma_{\chi} \Psi(x) \right\rangle$$

0

$$= \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{1}{2} \int d^{d+1}x \,\partial_{\mu} \langle \overline{\Psi} \Gamma_{\mu} \Gamma_{\chi} \Psi \rangle$$

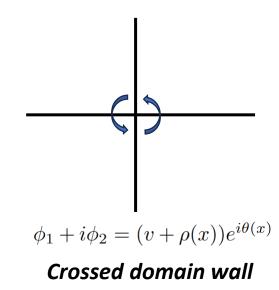
(div of) Generalized Hall Current

#### Simple example

1+1d fermion and a domain wall with a zero mode:

$$\mathcal{L}_M = \frac{1}{2} \psi^T C \left( i \partial \!\!\!/ - m \right) \psi$$

In Euclidean space:



$$\mathcal{D} = \left( \partial \!\!\!/ + \phi_1 + i\phi_2 \gamma_\chi \right)$$

Diagnostic field to make zeromode normalizable, switch it off in the end

Generalized Hall current and index:

$$\mathcal{J}_{\mu} = -\nu_p \frac{\epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_{\nu} \vartheta}{\pi} ,$$

$$\mathcal{I}(0) = \nu_p \nu_\phi$$

Manifestly topological

Challenge: how to study effects of interactions?

First step: study realization of Generalized Hall current on the lattice

1+1d fermion and a crossed domain wall: 4 vortices due to periodic BC!

In finite volume zero modes are almost zero...

Wilson-like operator:

$$\mathcal{D}_1 = \sum_{\mu} \gamma_{\mu} \nabla_{\mu} + \frac{R}{2} \nabla_1^2 + i \gamma_{\chi} \frac{R}{2} \nabla_0^2$$

Exact zero modes can be analytically found even in finite volume for certain fine tuned parameters

Wilson operator:

$$\mathcal{D}_2 = \sum_\mu \gamma_\mu 
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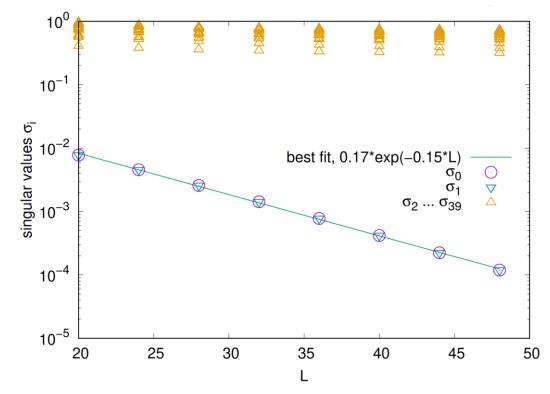
### Almost zero modes

#### Take infinite volume limit?

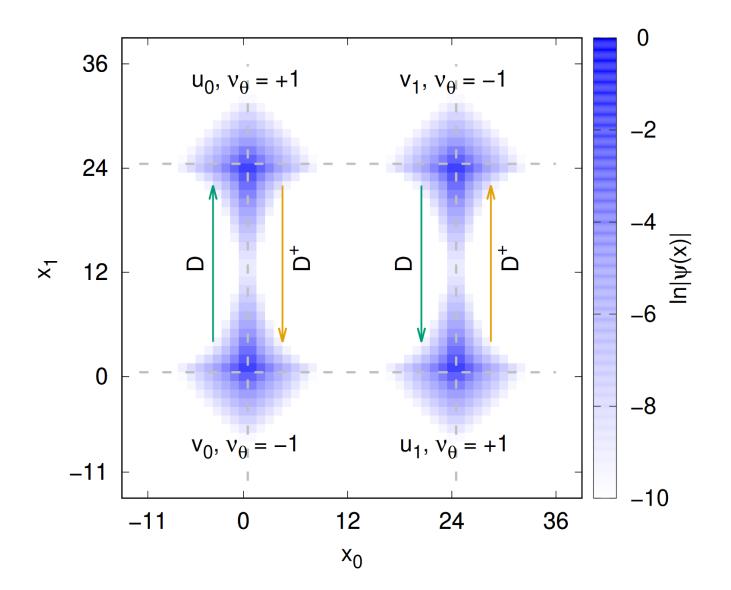
Wilson-\* operators are not normal. Finite dimensional eigenvectors do not necessarily converge to true zero modes

Consider SVD instead:  $\mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}^{\dagger}u_{i} = \sigma_{i}^{2}u_{i},$  $\mathcal{D}^{\dagger}\mathcal{D}v_{i} = \sigma_{i}^{2}v_{i}$ 

Smallest singular value yields minimum of  $|\mathcal{D}v'|$  and  $|\mathcal{D}^{\dagger}u'|$ .



Almost zero modes

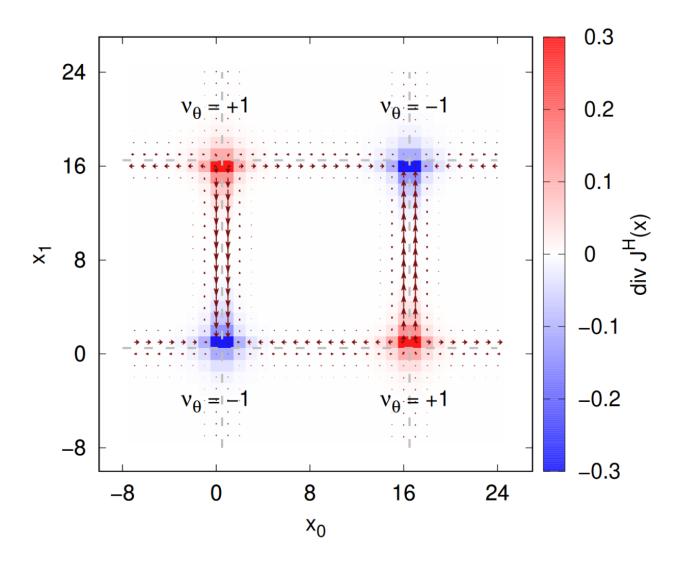


We define it analogously to continuum formula:

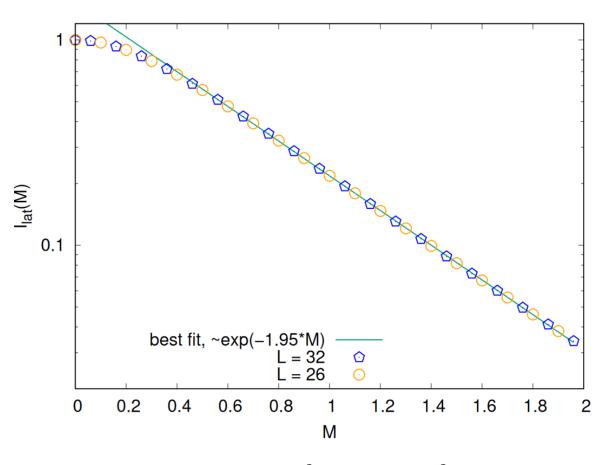
$$J^{H}_{\mu}(x) = \bar{\Psi}\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu}(x)\Gamma_{\chi}\Psi \qquad \qquad \tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu}(x) = -i\left.\frac{\delta K(A_{\mu}(x))}{\delta A_{\mu}(x)}\right|_{A_{\mu}(x)=0}$$

**Divergence:** 
$$\nabla^B_{\mu} J^H_{\mu}(x) = \sum_{\mu=0,1} \left( J^H_{\mu}(x - a_{\mu}) - J^H_{\mu}(x) \right)$$

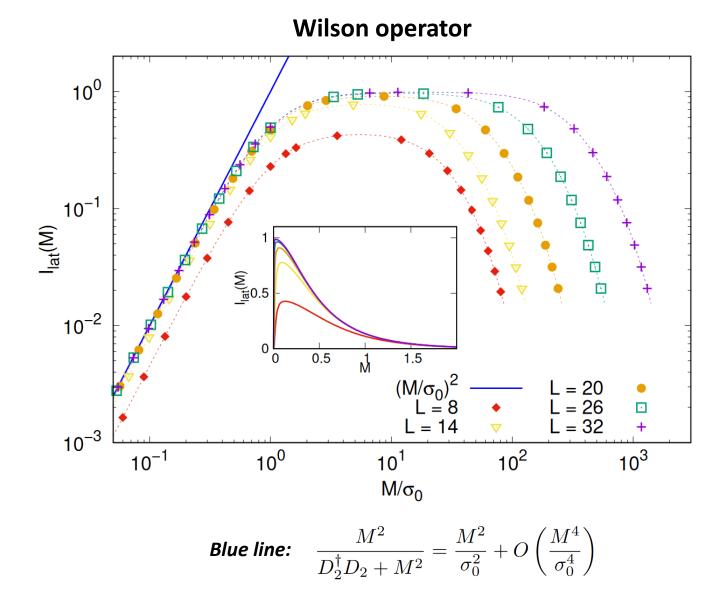
"Index": 
$$I_{lat} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{x \in S} \nabla^B_\mu J^H_\mu(x)$$
 (•) (•)



Wilson-like operator + fine tuning (= exact zero mode)



$$\mathcal{I}(M) = \frac{M^2}{M^2 + \mathcal{D}^{\dagger}\mathcal{D}} - \frac{M^2}{\mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}^{\dagger} + M^2}$$



## Conclusions

- 1. We studied realization of Generalized Hall current on the lattice
- 2. We successfully reproduced the infinite volume index
- 3. Intricate finite volume analysis was required due to lattice geometry
- 4. Future work: higher-dimensional theories, interactions and non-perturbative effects