

Photonic Quantum Matter: Mott Insulators, Landau Levels, and More



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What is a Material?

(Single Particle Control)

A collection of particles that interact with one another and thereby organize/order. (Interaction Control)

(Entropy Management)

Synthetic Quantum Materials

Solid State

Interacting Electrons



Ionic Lattice



Two Platforms Bulk Gas: *Optical Photons* Lattice Gas: µW Photons







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From: González-Tudela et al., 2015

Increase Mirror Curvature



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Stroboscopic Round-Trip Evolution





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Turning the Lab Frame into a Rotating Frame A Twisted Periscope

(Trees on the open sea)



Synthetic Magnetic Fields for Cavity Photons



Twisting the resonator out of the plane makes the lab frame a rotating

frame

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Coriolis} \\ \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{p} \end{array} \overset{\&}{} \begin{array}{c} \text{Centrifugal Forces} \\ \Omega^2 \vec{r}_{\perp} \end{array} \end{array}$

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Spectroscopy of Weakly Trapped Landau Levels *(on a Cone)*



Measuring Topological Quantum Numbers: Kitaev's Real-Space Approach



Interplay of Topology and Manifold Curvature



Can et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 046803 (2014), Abanov et al., Phys. Rev. B 90, 014435 (2014)

Making Cavity Photons Collide

- Rydberg medium provides linear susceptibility for 1st photon
- Second photon experiences reduced susceptibility, due to Rydberg-Rydberg interaction



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The Apparatus A O-dimensional polaritonic quantum dot

dRSC cooling to 10 µm, 0.5µK (& polarize atomic sample)





Observation of Cavity Polariton Blockade in a O-dimensional quantum dot



[1] Ningyuan et al., Nature Physics 14, 550–554 (2018). [2] Guerlin et al., Phys. Rev. A 82, 053832



Floquet Polaritons to Floquet Rydberg Polaritons in a single-mode cavity



A Multimode Polariton Collider



Multimode Photon-by-Photon Switching!

What's going on now: Photonic Laughlin States



Topological Manybody States



Now under vacuum

Ongoing: Blockade Assembly of a (Floquet) Laughlin State



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Emmy is *not* Schrodinger's cat; She is 100% ALIVE

Intermission







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Stabilizing Incompressible Fluid



Engineered Dissipation





- Autonomous stabilizer for incompressible photon fluids and solids. Ma et al., PRA 95, 043811 (2017)
- Engineering Topological Many-Body Materials in Microwave Cavity Arrays. Anderson et al., PRX 6, 041043 (2016)

A Mott Insulator of Photons





How do we realize the ingredients of this system??

Strongly-Correlated Phases of Light



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Strongly-Correlated Phases of Light







Making a Lattice Site

Non-Linear L-C Resonator

Linear L-C Resonator





Coupling the Lattice Sites







The Actual Lattice



Ruichao Ma et al., Nature **566**, 51–57 (2019)





Ruichao Ma et al. arXiv: 1807.11342 (2018)

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But not (yet) this!

I've told you how to make this

Kapit *et al.*, PRX **4**, 031039 (2014) ; Hacohen-Gourgy et al, PRL **115** 240501 (2015); Hafezi *et al.* PRB **92**, 174305 (2015); Biella *et al.* PRA **96**, 023839 (2017) (2017); Ma *et al.* PRA **95**, 043811, (2017) ³⁴







The Stabilizer









Photon Mott Insulator



We now know how to make all the pieces!



100

4.50

0.0 +

Ruichao Ma et al. arXiv: 1807.11342 (2018)

40

60

80

Drive strength ($2\pi \times MHz$)

Hole Refilling Dynamics



What Happens Next?!



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Outlook: Fractional Chern Circuit



Owens *et al*., PRA **97**, 013818 (2018)

Anderson et al., PRX 4, 041043 (2016)

Outlook: Non-Equilibrium Thermodynamics

Open questions:

- Non-eq. thermodynamic theory of stabilization
- Therm. rate of density vs therm rates of correlators string order?
- How much does stabilization perturb equilibrium phases?
- Optimal stabilizer? Model dependence...



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