Gravitational Anomalies (in) matter









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Outline

Anomalies

- Quantum Currents
- Applications: NMR and NTMR in WSMs
- Conclusions

Early 20th century: 2 key concepts of physics

- Symmetry (Noether)
- Quantum Mechanics

Second half of 20th century: not always compatible

•Chiral Anomalies (Adler-Bell-Jackiw)

High energy physics: decay of neutral pion



Symmetries suggest process is strongly suppressed

$$\partial_{\mu}J_{5}^{\mu} = f_{\pi}m_{\pi}^{2}\pi^{0} - \frac{\alpha}{8\pi}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}F_{\mu\nu}F_{\rho\lambda}$$

Quantum corrections destroy symmetry

[Adler], [Bell, Jackiw] 1969

Decay of neutral pion into gravitons



$$\partial_{\mu}J_{5}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{384\pi^{2}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}R^{a}{}_{b\mu\nu}R^{b}{}_{a\rho\lambda}$$

Suppressed by Planck scale, impossible to detect at LHC + successors

[Kimura] 1969, [Delbourgo, Salam] 1972, [Eguchi, Freund] 1976

$$D_{\mu}J^{\mu}_{a} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} \left(\frac{d_{abc}}{96\pi^{2}} F^{b}_{\mu\nu}F^{c}_{\rho\lambda} + \frac{b_{a}}{768\pi^{2}} R^{\alpha}_{\ \beta\mu\nu}R^{\beta}_{\ \alpha\rho\lambda} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{abc} &= \sum_{r} q_a^r q_b^r q_c^r - \sum_{l} q_a^l q_b^l q_c^l \\ b_a &= \sum_{r} q_a^r - \sum_{l} q_a^l \end{aligned}$$

- Anomaly coefficients detect presence of anomalies
- In 3+1 no pure gravitational anomaly
- Anomalies can always be shifted into currents

Lead to important consistency conditions

$$\int A_{\mu}J^{\mu} = \int \partial_{\mu}\theta J^{\mu} = -\int \theta \partial_{\mu}J^{\mu}$$

- Pure gauge field configuration does not decouple from the physical states!
- Unphysical states (longitudinal) can scatter into physical sector (transverse)
- HEP: Most basic principle of model building
- COND-MAT: Classification of possible edge theories of top. Insulators

New: collective dynamics induced by anomaly (CME, CVE)

The basic Rule

Anomaly in gauge current = BAD!
Anomaly in global current = GOOD!

-- Do you ever run across a fellow that even you can't understand?"

"Yes," says he.

"This well make a great reading for the boys down at the office," says I. "Do you mind releasing to me who he is?"

"Weyl," says he.

(ROUNDY INTERVIEWS PROFESSOR DIRAC)

Weyl fermions (massless Dirac):



Spin is either aligned or anti-aligned with momentum



Anomalies and Landau levels

Chiral fermions in magnetic field:

Landau Levels: n>0

$$E_n = \sqrt{p_z^2 + 2nB}$$

Lowest Landau Level : n=0 $E_0 = \pm p_z$

Sign is determined by chirality eB

 2π

Degeneracy of LL:

Magnetic Field

Chiral Fermion in electric and magnetic fields: Landau levels

$$\dot{p} = E$$

$$2\pi d\rho = dp$$



Spectral Flow Chiral Anomaly

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k

Axial Anomaly:
$$J_5^{\mu} = \bar{\psi}\gamma_5\gamma^{\mu}\psi = J_R^{\mu} - J_L^{\mu}$$



Dirac Fermion in electric and magnetic fields

$$\dot{\rho}_5 = \pm \frac{1}{2\pi^2} (\vec{E}.\vec{B} + \vec{E}_5.\vec{B}_5)$$

Axial Anomaly

But also violation of basic rule:

$$\dot{\rho} = \pm \frac{1}{2\pi^2} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}_5 + \vec{E}_5 \cdot \vec{B})$$

Not really an Anomaly

To say nature knows no axial field is not good enough.

WSM: $B_5 = Strain$

[Cortijo, Ferreiros, K.L, Vozmediano], [Cortijo, Kharzeev, K.L., Vozmediano] [Pikulin, Chen, Franz] [Grushin, Venderbos, Vishwanath, Ilan]

Quantum Current

Dirac Fermion in electric and magnetic fields

$$\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} F^5_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\lambda}$$

Anomaly is total derivative: **consistent conserved** current

$$\partial_{\mu} (J^{\mu} - \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} A^5_{\nu} F_{\rho\lambda}) = 0$$

Physical field !

No anomaly but **quantum current**

Mathematics of Anomalies: Consistency conditions, covariant anomalies, descent equation, cohomology [Wess, Zumino], [Bardeen], [Bardeen, Zumino] [Stora]

Quantum Current

$$J^{\mu} = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} A^5_{\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

Anomalous Hall Current:

$$\vec{J} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \vec{A}_5 \times \vec{E}$$

Anomalous Hall Charge:

$$J^{0} = \frac{1}{2\pi^{2}} \vec{A}_{5} . \vec{B}$$

Chiral Magnetic Current: $\vec{J} = -\frac{1}{2\pi^2} A_5^0 . \vec{B}$

Anomalies: Covariant vs. Consistent:



Landau Levels and Transport Landau levels of chiral fermion in magnetic field HLLS: $E_n = \sqrt{p_z^2 + 2nB}$ LLL: $E_0 = \pm p_z$

Current = charge x velocity

$$\begin{aligned} \text{HLLs:} \quad & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dp_z}{2\pi} \frac{\partial E_n}{\partial p_z} \left(\frac{1}{e^{\frac{E_n - \mu}{T}} + 1} - \frac{1}{e^{\frac{E_n + \mu}{T}} + 1} \right) = 0 \\ \text{LLL:} \quad & \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dp_z}{2\pi} (\pm 1) \left(\frac{1}{e^{\frac{E_0 - \mu}{T}} + 1} - \frac{1}{e^{\frac{E_0 + \mu}{T}} + 1} \right) = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} \end{aligned}$$



Taking degeneracy of LLL into account : Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME)

$$\vec{J}_{L,R} = \pm \frac{\mu}{4\pi^2} \vec{B}$$

[Vilenkin], [Alekseev, Chainanov, Frohlich] [Giovannini, Shaposhnikov] [Kharzeev,Fukushima,Warringa],...

Landau Levels and Transport

Energy transport = E . v = p = Momentum density

$$\vec{P}_{L,R} = \vec{J}_{\epsilon,L,R} = \pm \int_0^\infty \frac{dp_z}{2\pi} \left(\frac{p}{e^{\frac{p-\mu}{T}} + 1} + \frac{p}{e^{\frac{p+\mu}{T}} + 1} \right)$$
$$= \pm \frac{T^2}{2\pi} \left[Li_2(-e^{\mu/T}) + Li_2(-e^{-\mu/T}) \right]$$

Jonquiere inversion relations: Bernoulli polynomials

Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME) in energy current

$$\vec{J}_{\epsilon,L,R} = \pm \left(\frac{\mu_{L,R}^2}{8\pi^2} + \frac{T^2}{24}\right)\vec{B}$$

Rotation

Heuristic relation magnetic field and rotation

$$\vec{F} = \vec{v} \times q \vec{B}$$
 $\vec{F} = \vec{v} \times 2m \vec{\Omega}$
orentz force Coriolis force

 $q\vec{B} \rightarrow 2E\vec{\Omega}$

Quantum currents induced by rotation: Chiral Vortical Effect

$$\vec{J} = \left(\frac{\mu^2}{4\pi^2} + \frac{T^2}{12}\right)\vec{\Omega}$$
$$\vec{J}_{\epsilon} = \left(\frac{\mu^3}{6\pi^2} + \frac{\mu T^2}{6}\right)\vec{\Omega}$$

[Vilenkin],[Son, Zhitnitsky] [Kharzeev, Zhitnitsky] [Erdmenger, Haack, Kaminski,Yarom], [Banerjee, Bhattacharya, Bhattacharyya, Dutta, Loganayagam, Surowka],

Subtlety about CME



$$\vec{J} = \frac{\mu_5}{2\pi^2} \vec{B}$$
$$\mu_5 = \frac{1}{2} (\mu_R - \mu_L)$$

But there is also the "topological" contribution due to charge conservation:

$$\vec{J} = \frac{\mu_5 - A_0^5}{2\pi^2} \vec{B}$$

Temperature dependence

$$\vec{J} = \frac{T^2}{12}\vec{\Omega}$$
$$\vec{J}_{\epsilon} = \frac{T^2}{24}\vec{B} + \frac{\mu T^2}{12}\vec{\Omega}$$

For a more general collection of chiral fermions with different charges

$$\vec{J_{\epsilon}} = \frac{T^2}{24} \left(\sum_{R} q_R - \sum_{L} q_L \right) \vec{B}$$

Coefficient of gravitational anomaly!

[K.L., E. Megias, F. Pena-Benitez]

Gravitational Anomaly

- Mixed between chiral and general covariance
- General covariance can always be saved (cfg. electricity)

$$D_{\mu}J^{\mu} = \frac{b}{768\pi^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} R^{\alpha}_{\ \beta\mu\nu} R^{\beta}_{\ \alpha\rho\lambda}$$

• Very similar to usual anomaly

$$F \sim dA + A \wedge A$$
 , $R \sim \partial \Gamma + \Gamma \wedge \Gamma$

- BUT also very different $\Gamma \sim g^{-1} \partial g$
- HOW is this possible: $\vec{J} = \frac{b}{12}T^2\vec{\omega}$!!???!!

[K.L., E. Megias, L. Melgar, F. Pena-Benitez]

Strongly coupled QFT = gravity in 5D



Anomaly = dynamics of Chern-Simons terms

$$\int_{\mathrm{AdS}} d^5 x A \wedge F \wedge F \to \int_{\partial(\mathrm{AdS})} d^4 x \theta(F \wedge F)$$

•Grav. Anomaly = dynamics of grav. Chern-Simons terms

$$\int_{\text{AdS}} d^5 x A \wedge R^{(5)} \wedge R^{(5)} \to \int_{\partial(\text{AdS})} d^4 x \,\theta(\hat{R}^{(4)} \wedge \hat{R}^{(4)} + \nabla K \wedge \nabla K)$$

- "Extrinsic curvature" K appears
- QFT anomaly knows only 4D curvature
- K-terms does not contribute at $r=\infty$ (UV)

BUT: at the black hole horizon

$$ds^{2} = r^{2} f(r) (-dt^{2} + 2\vec{A}d\vec{x}dt) + r^{2}d\vec{x}^{2} + \frac{dr^{2}}{r^{2}f(r)}$$
$$\nabla K \wedge \nabla K \propto r_{H}^{4} f'(r_{H})^{2} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{A})$$

• Following Hawking

$$\nabla K \wedge \nabla K = 64\pi^2 T^2 \vec{E}_g . \vec{B}_g$$

- Local phenomenon in space time!
- No obvious restriction to (near) equilibrium!

•Holography suggests in deep IR $\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu} = \frac{T^2}{12}\vec{E}_g.\vec{B}_g$

•A new anomaly ??? $\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi^2}\vec{E}.\vec{B}$

•NO! not anomaly but quantum current (Luttinger)





•The Chiral Vortical Effect (CVE) !!

[Azayanagi, Loganayagam, Ng, Rodriguez],[Chapman, Neiman, Oz],[Jensen,Loganayagam,Yarom], [Grozdanov, Poovuttikul] global anomaly: [Gorkar, Sethi]

Quantum Currents



No entropy is produced: dissipationless



Applications: WeylSemiMetal







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Applications: WSM

Band structure of WSM



 $\gamma^{\mu} \left(i D_{\mu} + \gamma_5 A_{\mu}^5 \right) \Psi = 0$

CME in WSM



NMR and NTMR in WSM

NMR = Negative Magnetoresistivity

In equilibrium CME vanishes, Induce non-equilibrium steady state

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$$\dot{\rho}_5 = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} - \frac{1}{\tau_5} \rho_5$$
$$\rho_5 = \chi_5 \mu_5 \qquad \vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E} + \frac{\mu_5}{2\pi^2} \vec{B}$$

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$$\vec{J} = \left(\sigma + \frac{\tau_5 B^2}{(2\pi^2)\chi_5}\right)\vec{E}$$

Test grav. Anomaly ?

 $\vec{J_{\epsilon}} = \frac{b_5 T^2}{24} \vec{B_5}$

[K.L.,Yan Liu]

- No effect expected due to usual magnetic field
- **P5** Not conserved because of anomaly
- ϵ_5 Not conserved at all

NMR and NTMR in WSM



[J. Zaanen, "Electrons go with the flow in exotic materials", Science Vol. 351, 6277]

If WSM is not strongly coupled, hierarchy of scattering times



NTMR via CME

$$\dot{\epsilon} + \vec{\nabla} \vec{J}_{\epsilon} = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{J} \qquad \qquad \vec{J}_{\epsilon} = \left(\frac{a_{\chi}}{2}\mu^2 + a_g T^2\right) \vec{B}$$
$$\dot{\rho} + \vec{\nabla} \vec{J} = a_{\chi} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \qquad \qquad \vec{J} = a_{\chi} \mu \vec{B}$$

Grad T pumps chiral energy into the system

$$\dot{\epsilon} = -\vec{\nabla}\vec{J}_{\epsilon} = -2a_g T\vec{\nabla}T.\vec{B}$$

Electric field (-grad μ) pumps chiral charge and energy into the system

$$\dot{\rho} = a_{\chi} (\vec{E} - \vec{\nabla}\mu) . \vec{B} \qquad \dot{\epsilon} = a_{\chi} \mu \left(\vec{E} - \vec{\nabla}\mu\right) . \vec{B}$$

NTMR via CME

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\epsilon} \\ \dot{\rho} \end{pmatrix} = -i\omega \frac{\partial(\epsilon,\rho)}{\partial(T,\mu)} \begin{pmatrix} \delta T \\ \delta \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\epsilon} \\ \dot{\rho} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2a_g T & a_\chi \mu \\ 0 & a_\chi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\nabla}T \\ \vec{E} \end{pmatrix}$$

The chiral pumping is stopped due to internally scattering

$$\omega
ightarrow rac{i}{ au_5}$$

NTMR via CME

Calculate increase in T, $\!\mu$ and re-insert into chiral currents

$$J = G_E E + G_T \nabla T$$

$$G_E = \tau_5 \frac{a_{\chi}^2}{\det(\Xi)} \left(\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial T} - \mu \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial T} \right) B^2$$
$$G_T = \tau_5 \frac{2a_g a_{\chi}}{\det(\Xi)} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial T} B^2$$

Large B (ultraquantum limit): •G_E linear in B •G_T vanishes Supplementary material to arXiv:1703.10682

$$\rho = \frac{|B|}{4\pi^2}\mu$$

[Spivak, Andreev], [Lundgren, Laurell, Fiete] *kinetic theory* [Lucas, Davison, Sachdev] *chiral fluids*

NMR and NTMR in NbP

Experimental signatures of the mixed axial-gravitational anomaly in the Weyl semimetal NbP

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Summary

- Anomalies have moved from HEP-TH to Cond-Mat
- Rich anomaly induced transport phenomenology (CME, CVE, CSE, NMR, AHE, and now NTMR)
- Universal: QGP,WSM but also Cosmo (primordial magnetic fields), Astro (Neutron star kicks, Supernova explosions, ...)
- WSMs promise experimental observation of effect of gravitational anomaly

Thank You!