

# Discrete scale invariance and Efimov bound states in Weyl systems with coexistence of electron and hole carriers

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# Outline



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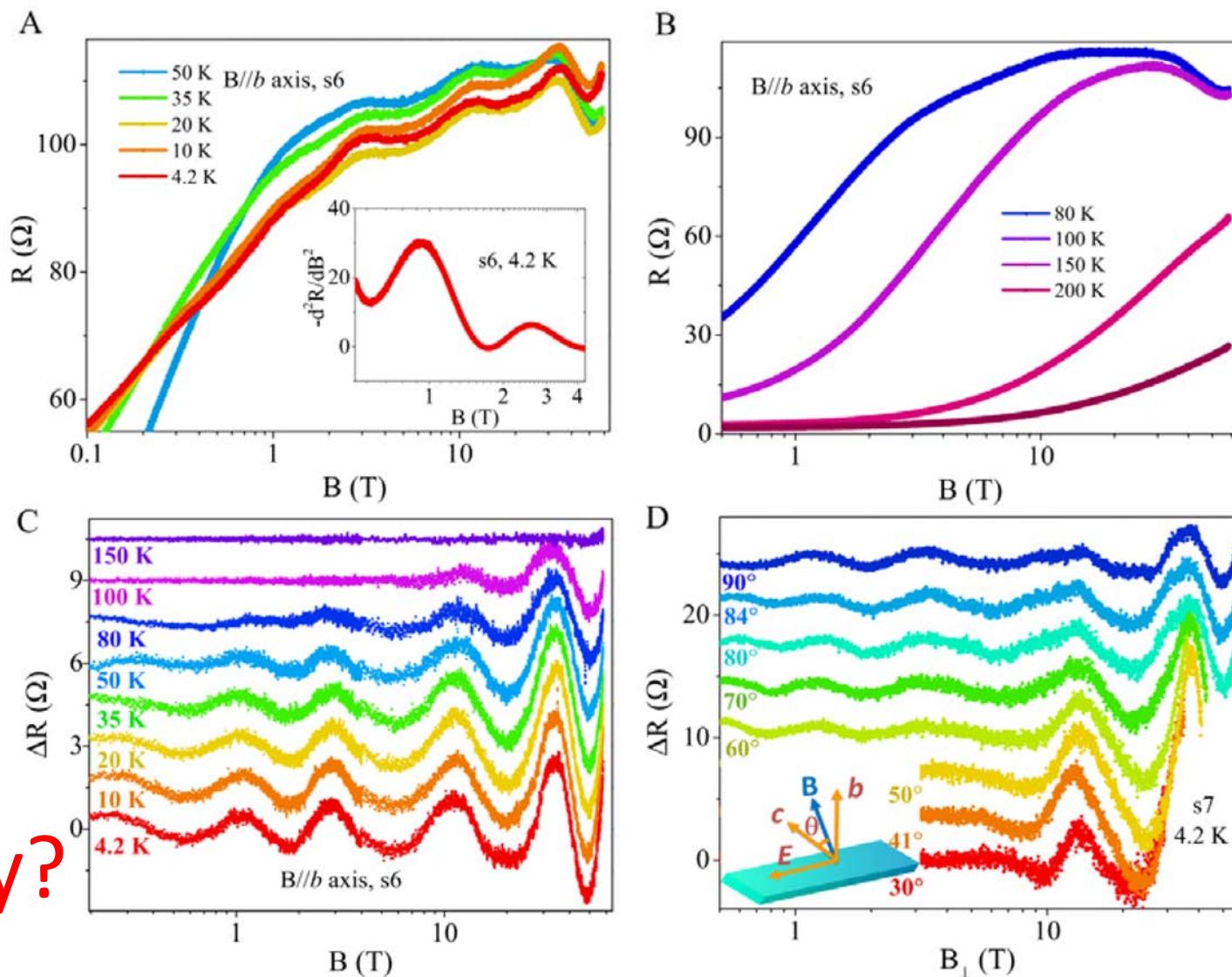
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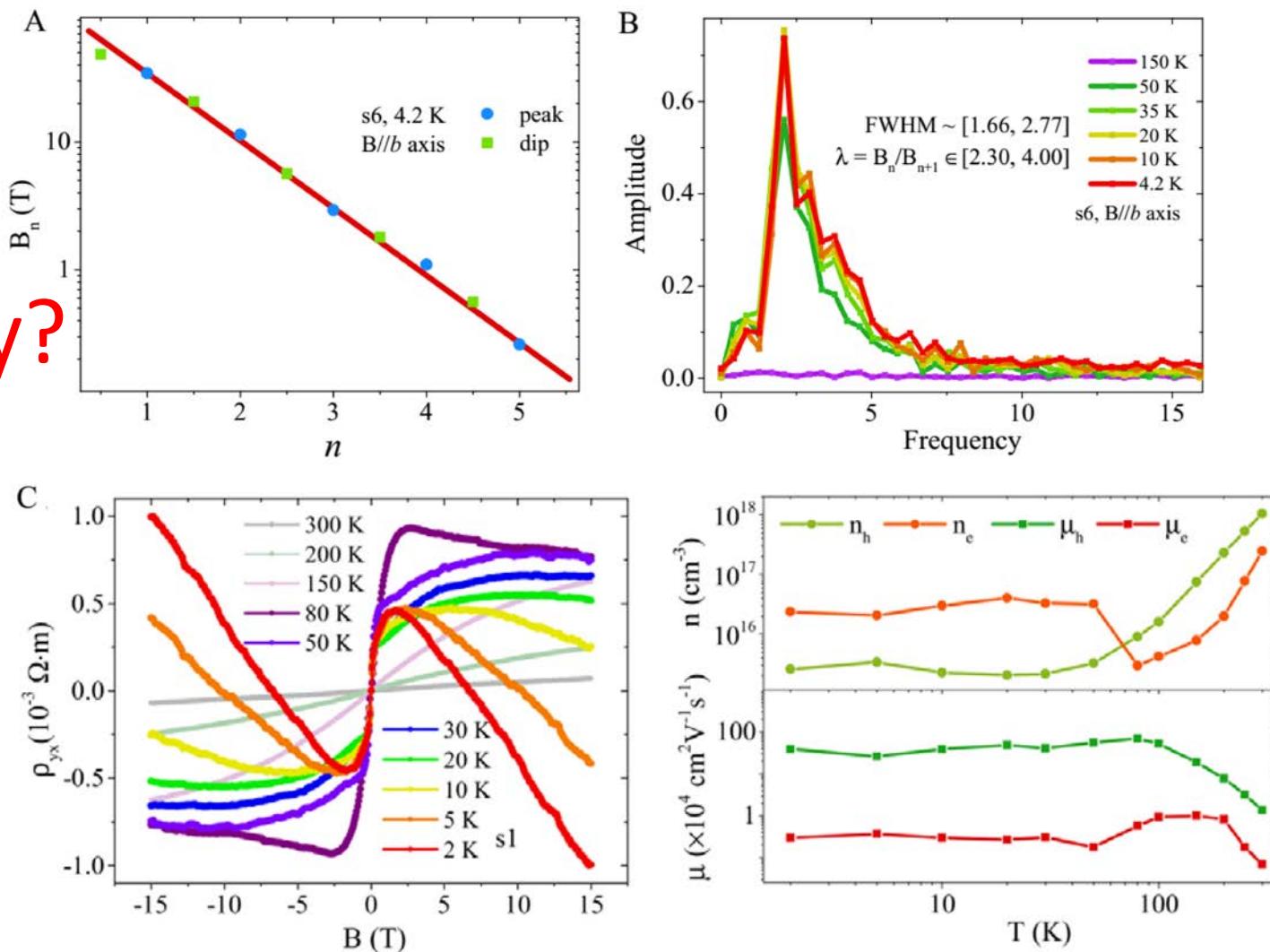


Why?

Log-B periodic MR oscillations from 0.2T to 55T.

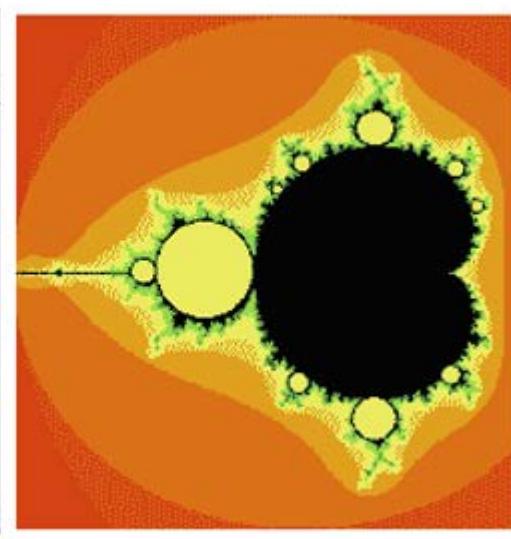
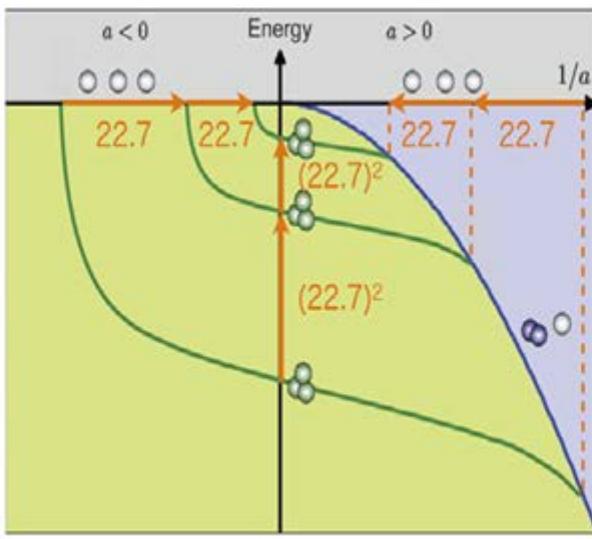
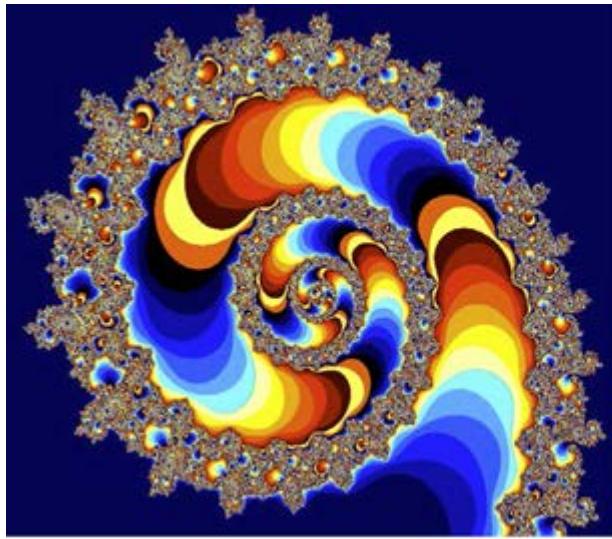
# Discrete Scale Invariance in $\text{ZrTe}_5$ beyond the quantum limit

Why?



Discrete Scale Invariance in ultra-quantum in  $\text{ZrTe}_5$  with coexistence of heavy electron (low mobility) and light hole (high mobility).

# Discrete scale invariance



Fibonacci (Spirals) Fractals

$$\mu F(x) = F[\phi(x)]$$

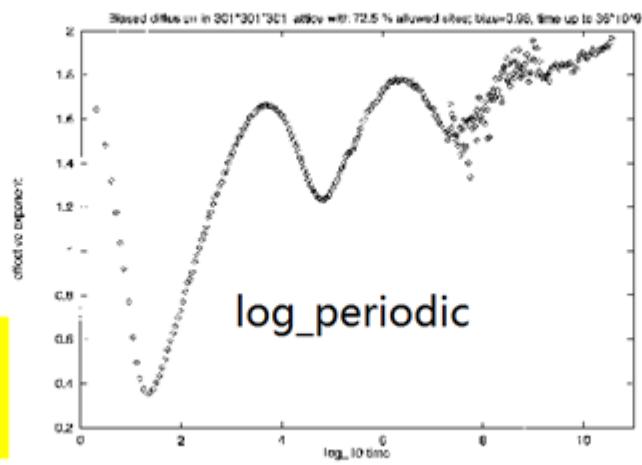
$$\phi(x) = \lambda x + \dots$$

$$\omega = \ln \mu / \ln \lambda$$

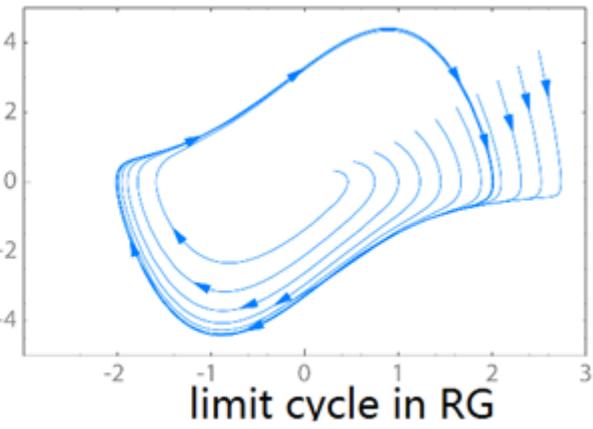
$$F_0(x) = x^\omega$$

$$F(x) = x^\omega \left[ 1 + \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{\ln x}{\ln \lambda} + \alpha \right) \right]$$

Efimov spectrum



Mandelbrot set



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# Bosonic Efimov trimers (resonant scattering)

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IN A THREE-BODY SYSTEM

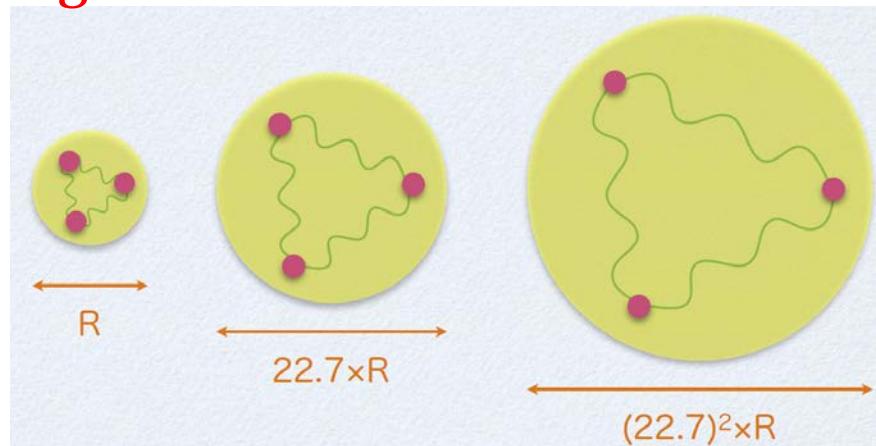
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When 2 bosons interact with infinite scattering length  $a$ , 3 bosons always form a geometric series of bound states.



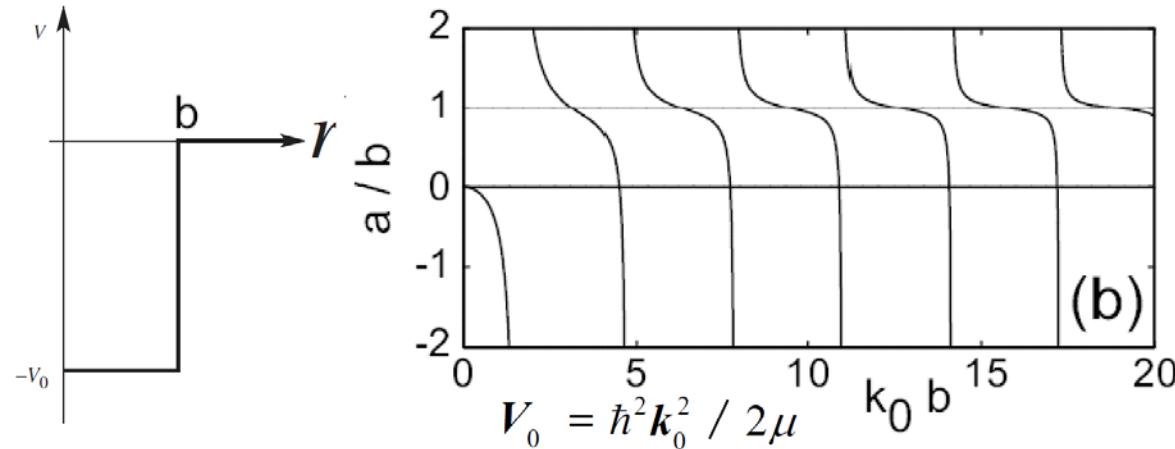
$$e^{\pi/s_0} \approx 22.7$$

with  $s_0 \approx 1.006$

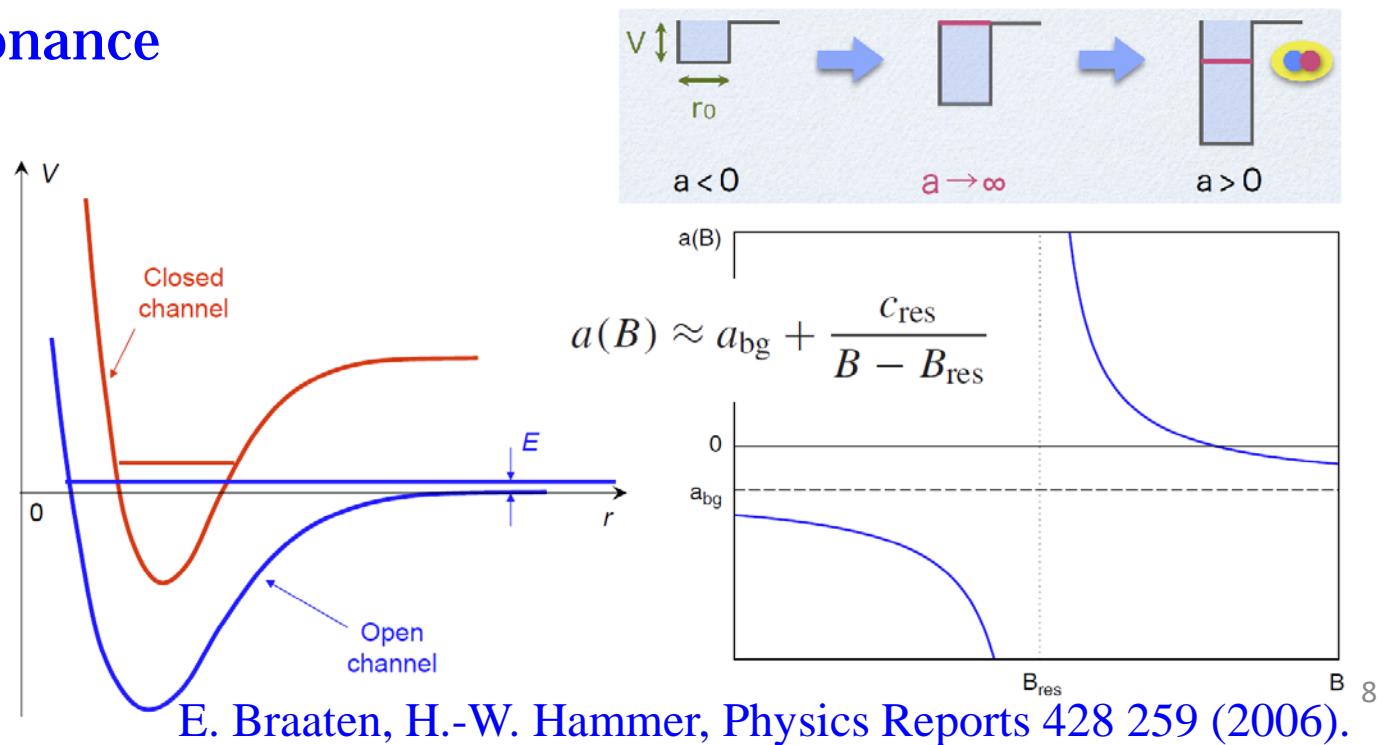
Discrete Scale Invariance

# Resonant scattering (obtained by Feshbach resonance )

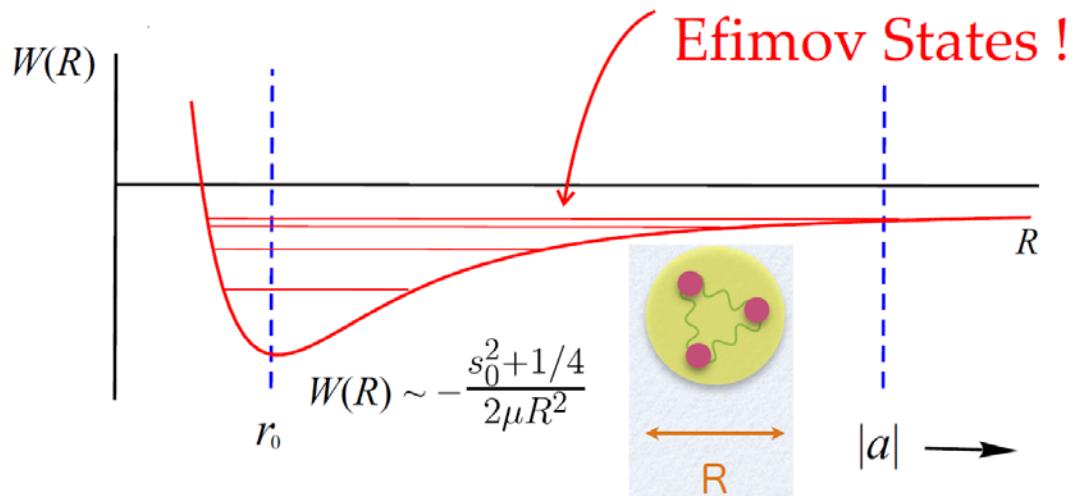
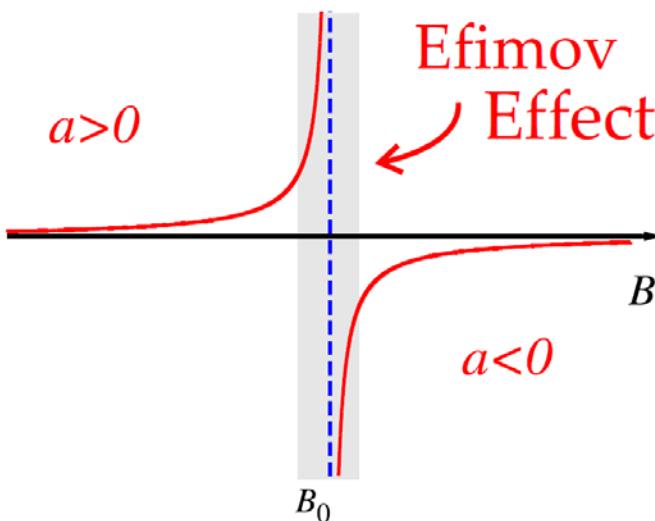
## 1. Square potential well



## 2. Feshbach resonance

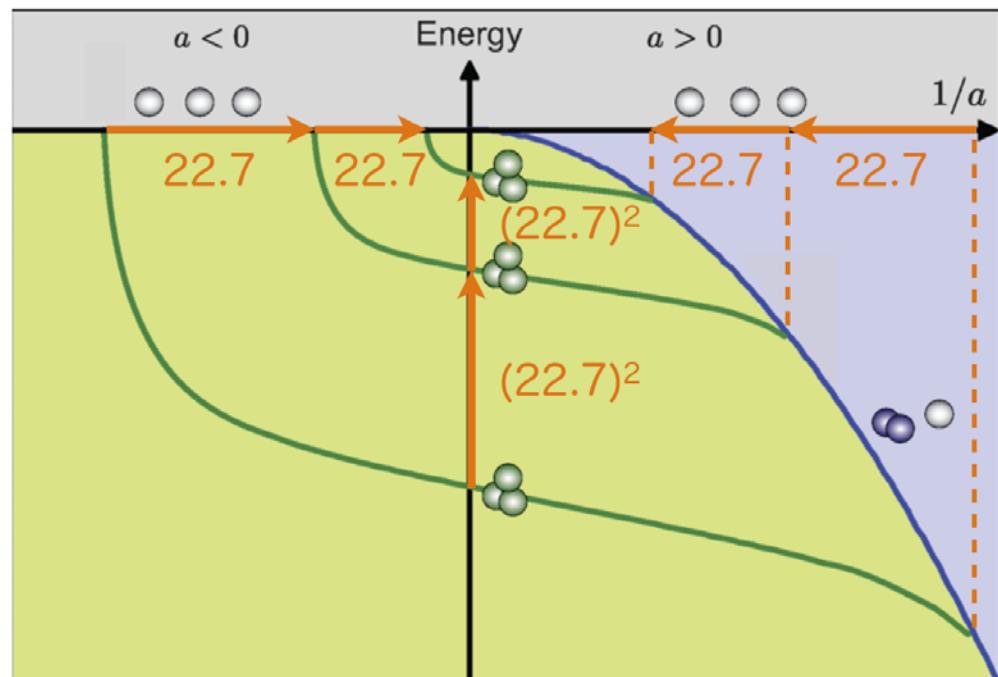
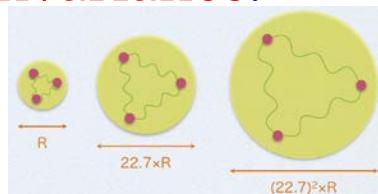


# Efimov trimer of identical bosons (near resonance)

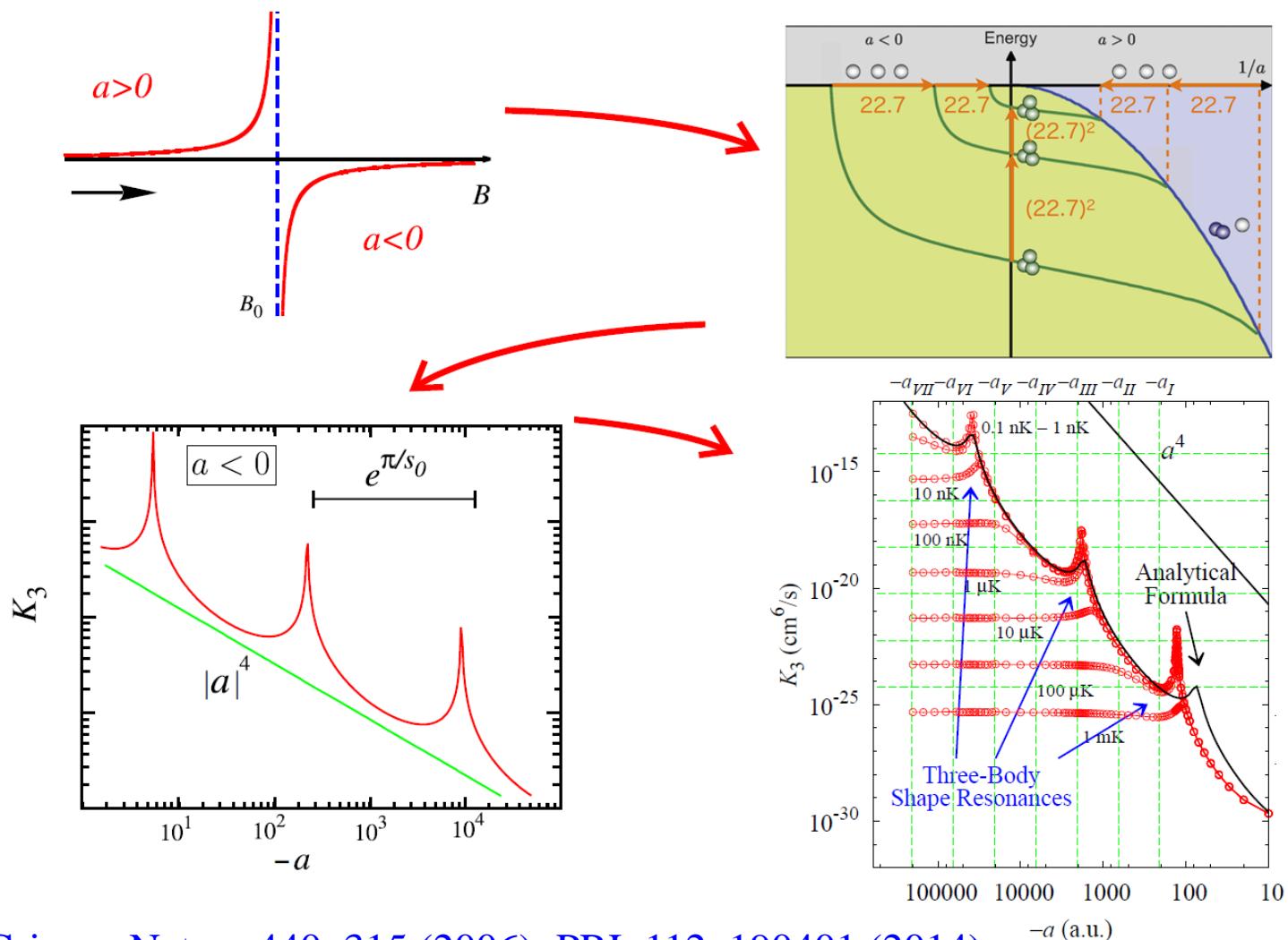


$$E_T^{(n)} \rightarrow (e^{-2\pi/s_0})^{n-n_*} \frac{\hbar^2 \kappa_*^2}{m} \quad a = \pm\infty.$$

1.  $1/R^2$  attraction is a requisite.
2. Energy spectrum also show Discrete Scale Invariance.



# Efimov trimer of identical bosons (experimental realization)



Rudolf Grimm, Nature 440, 315 (2006); PRL 112, 190401 (2014);

Reinhard Dörner, Science 348, 551 (2015);

Matthias Weidemüller, PRL 112, 250404 (2014);

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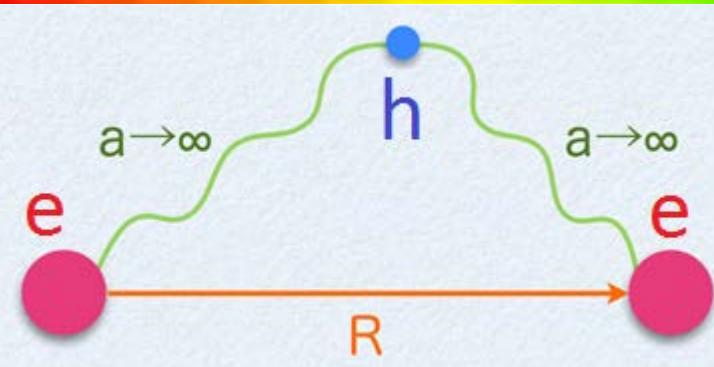
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# Efimov attraction from Born-Oppenheimer approximation



## Trimer wave-function

$$\psi_T(R, r) = F_{2e}(R)\phi_h(r, R)$$

## Schrödinger equation for hole wave-function

$$-\hbar^2/2M_h \nabla_r^2 \phi_h(r, R) = \varepsilon_h \phi_h(r, R)$$

Hole wave-function:  $\phi_h(r, R) = \frac{\exp[-k_h|r - R/2|]}{|r - R/2|} + \frac{\exp[-k_h|r + R/2|]}{|r + R/2|}$

Decay wave-number:  $k_h = \frac{1}{\hbar} \sqrt{-2M_h \varepsilon_h}$

Bethe-Peierls boundary condition:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r\phi_h)_{r \rightarrow 0} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{a} \rightarrow k_h R - e^{-k_h R} = \frac{R}{a}$

$$k_h R = \Omega \approx 0.567$$

Solution of  $\Omega = e^{-\Omega}$   
when scattering length  $a \rightarrow \pm\infty$

Energy of hole:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_h(R) \sim -\frac{\hbar^2}{2M_h} \frac{\Omega^2}{R^2}}$$

# Efimov attraction from Born-Oppenheimer approximation

Schrödinger equation for two electrons (center of mass):

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{M_e} \nabla_R^2 + \varepsilon_h(R) \right] F_{2e}(R) = E_T \cdot F_{2e}(R)$$

Wave-function for two electrons (center of mass):

$$F_{2e}(R) = R^{-1} f(R) Y_{LM}(\theta)$$

Differential equation for radical part:

$$\left( -\frac{d^2}{dR^2} + V(R) - \frac{M_e E_T}{\hbar^2} \right) f(R) = 0$$

Efimov attraction:

$$V(R) = \frac{L(L+1)}{R^2} - \frac{M_e \Omega^2}{2M_h R^2} = \frac{-s_0^2 - 1/4}{R^2}$$

Definition: (real  $s_0$  guarantee a solution)

$$|s_0|^2 = \frac{M_e}{2M_h} \Omega^2 - L(L+1) - \frac{1}{4}$$

Identical fermions:

$$L = 1$$

real  $s_0$  constraint:

$$\frac{M_e}{M_h} > 13.6$$

This constraint can be matched in solid state systems.

# Efimov Trimers from the Born-Oppenheimer approximation

Differential equation for radical part (with real positive  $s_0$ ):

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{dR^2} - \frac{s_0^2 + 1/4}{R^2} - \frac{M_e E_T}{\hbar^2} \right] f(R) = 0 \quad [\text{Landau \& Lifshitz QM}]$$

Definitions and differential equation for auxiliary function:

$$E_T = -\frac{\hbar^2 k_T^2}{M_e} \quad f(R) = R^{\frac{1}{2}} g(R) \quad \tilde{R} = k_T R$$

$$g''(\tilde{R}) + \frac{1}{\tilde{R}} g'(\tilde{R}) + \left( -1 + \frac{s_0^2}{\tilde{R}^2} \right) g(\tilde{R}) = 0$$

$E=E_T$  Solution:  $f(R) = R^{\frac{1}{2}} K_{is_0}(k_T R)$

$$f(R) \sim R^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin[s_0 \ln(k_T R) + \alpha]$$

$E \approx 0$  Solution:  $f_1(R) \approx A R^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin[s_0 \ln k_* R + \alpha]$

Match the wave-function at boundary.

Continuous condition of  $R \frac{f'(R)}{f(R)}$  at boundary. 

**Discrete Scale Invariance**

$$k_{T,n} = (e^{-\pi/s_0})^{n-n_0} e^{-\alpha/s_0} k_*$$

$$E_{B,n} = (e^{-2\pi/s_0})^{n-n_0} \frac{\hbar^2 \tilde{k}_*^2}{M_e}$$

$$\langle R_n^2 \rangle \propto k_{T,n}^{-2} \quad \frac{R_{n+1}}{R_n} = e^{\pi/s_0}$$

# Influence of magnetic field on Efimov trimers: small B

$$H = \frac{1}{2M_h} \left( -i\hbar \vec{\nabla}_1 - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}_1 \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2M_e} \left( -i\hbar \vec{\nabla}_2 + \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}_2 \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2M_e} \left( -i\hbar \vec{\nabla}_3 + \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}_3 \right)^2$$

Under small magnetic field, the binding energy of Efimov bound states  $|E_T|$  is much larger than the Landau level spacing.

$$|E_{T,n}| = \frac{\hbar^2 k_{T,n}^2}{M_e} \gg \hbar\omega_0 = \frac{\hbar^2}{M_e l_B^2} \quad \rightarrow \quad \langle R_n \rangle = s_0 k_{T,n}^{-1} \ll s_0 l_B$$

Size of Efimov trimers

The magnetic field can be treated as perturbation, and the system still possesses approximate hyper-spherical symmetry.

In hyper-spherical coordinates:

$$\left( -\nabla_{\vec{r}_{ij}}^2 - \nabla_{\vec{p}_{ij,k}}^2 + \boxed{\frac{M_e^2 \omega_B^2 R^2}{8\hbar^2}} + \frac{M_e \omega_B}{2\hbar^2} \hat{L}_{ij,k}^z - \frac{M_e E_T}{\hbar^2} \right) \Psi = 0$$

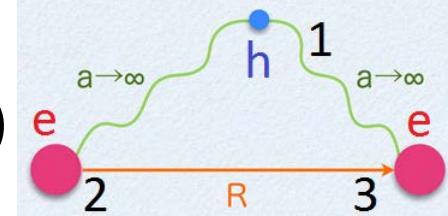
hyper-spherical  
operators:

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla_{\vec{r}_{ij}}^2 - \nabla_{\vec{p}_{ij,k}}^2 &= \frac{\hat{L}_{ij}^2}{\hbar^2 R^2 \sin^2 \vartheta_k} + \frac{\hat{L}_{ij,k}^2}{\hbar^2 R^2 \cos^2 \vartheta_k} \\ &+ R^{-\frac{5}{2}} \left[ -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial R^2} + \frac{15}{4R^2} \right] R^{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{1}{R^2 \sin 2\vartheta_k} \left[ -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \vartheta_k^2} - 4 \right] \sin 2\vartheta_k \end{aligned}$$

# Influence of magnetic field on Efimov trimers: small B

The Faddeev decomposition:

$$\Psi = \varphi^{(1)}(\vec{r}_{23}, \vec{\rho}_{23,1}) + \varphi^{(2)}(\vec{r}_{13}, \vec{\rho}_{13,2}) - \varphi^{(2)}(\vec{r}_{12}, \vec{\rho}_{12,3})$$



The Faddeev equation:

$$\left( -\nabla_{\vec{r}}^2 - \nabla_{\vec{\rho}}^2 + \frac{M_e^2 \omega_B^2 R^2}{8\hbar^2} + \frac{M_e \omega_B}{2\hbar^2} \hat{L}_{ij,k}^z - \frac{M_e E_T}{\hbar^2} \right) \varphi^{(i)}(\vec{r}, \vec{\rho}) = 0$$

Solution ansatz:

$$\varphi^{(i)}(\vec{r}, \vec{\rho}) = \frac{\varphi_0^{(i)}(R, \vartheta, \hat{\rho})}{R^{5/2} \sin 2\vartheta} = \frac{1}{R^{5/2} \sin 2\vartheta} \sum_{n,l,m} f_{n,l}^{(i)}(R) \phi_{n,l}^{(i)}(\vartheta; R) Y_{lm}(\hat{\rho})$$

The hyper-angle equation ( $l = 1$ ):

$$\left( -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \vartheta^2} + \frac{l(l+1)}{\cos^2 \vartheta} \right) \phi_{n,l}^{(i)}(\vartheta; R) = s_{n,l}^2 \phi_{n,l}^{(i)}(\vartheta; R)$$

Bethe-Peierls boundary condition:  $\frac{1}{r\Psi} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r\Psi) \xrightarrow[r \rightarrow 0]{} -\frac{1}{a}$

$$\sin \gamma = \frac{M_e}{M_h + M_e}$$

Eigenvalues:

$$\frac{1-s_n^2}{s_n} \tan \left( s_n \frac{\pi}{2} \right) - \frac{2 \cos(\gamma s_n)}{\sin(2\gamma) \cos(s_n \frac{\pi}{2})} + \frac{\sin(\gamma s_n)/s_n}{\sin^2 \gamma \cos(s_n \frac{\pi}{2})} = 0$$

The above secular equation have imaginary solution  $s_n = is_0$  if  $\gamma > 1.199$ , corresponding to  $M_e/M_h > 13.6$ .

# Influence of magnetic field: approximate discrete scale invariance

The hyper-radial equation:

Influence of magnetic field

$$\left( -\frac{d^2}{dR^2} - \frac{s_0^2 + 1/4}{R^2} + \frac{R^2}{4l_B^4} + \frac{1}{2l_B^2} \right) f_n(R) = \frac{M_E E_T}{\hbar^2} f_n(R)$$

Attractive potential condition:

$$-\frac{s_0^2 + 1/4}{R^2} + \frac{R^2}{4l_B^4} + \frac{1}{2l_B^2} < 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad R < R_c \equiv \sqrt{2s_0} l_B$$

WKB solution of Efimov trimers:

$$\oint p dr \approx 2\hbar \int_{R_0}^{R_n} \frac{s_0}{R} \sqrt{1 - \frac{R^2}{2s_0 l_B^2}} dR = 2\pi n \hbar$$

Approximate discrete scale invariance for  $R_n < R_c$ :

$$\ln \frac{R_n}{R_{n-1}} = \frac{\pi}{s_0} + \frac{R_n^2}{4s_0^2 l_B^2} - \frac{R_{n-1}^2}{4s_0^2 l_{B_{n-1}}^2} \in \left( \frac{\pi}{s_0} - \frac{1}{2s_0}, \frac{\pi}{s_0} + \frac{1}{2s_0} \right)$$

$$\ln \frac{B_{n+1}}{B_n} \in \left( -\frac{2\pi}{s_0} - \frac{1}{s_0}, -\frac{2\pi}{s_0} + \frac{1}{s_0} \right)$$

# Problem, comparison and solution → from 3-body to 2-body

1. How to obtain the resonant scattering condition  $a \rightarrow \pm\infty$  with large magnetic field?
  - Not clear. Thus, the prerequisite for Efimov trimers is not met.
2. In the large magnetic field limit, the system become quasi-1D with cylindrical symmetry. No Efimov trimers in 1D.
3. ZrTe<sub>5</sub> is identified as Dirac semimetal by ARPES [Nature Physics 12, 550 (2016)], what's the influence of Dirac physics?

Efimov equation: 
$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{dR^2} - \frac{s_0^2 + 1/4}{R^2} - \frac{M_e E_T}{\hbar^2} \right] f(R) = 0$$
 Scale Invariant

Dirac equation: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} m & \hbar v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{k} \\ \hbar v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{k} & -m \end{bmatrix} \psi = \left[ E - V(\vec{R}) \right] \psi$$

Scale invariance is obtained, if  $m = 0$  and  $V(\vec{R}) \propto R^{-1}$ .

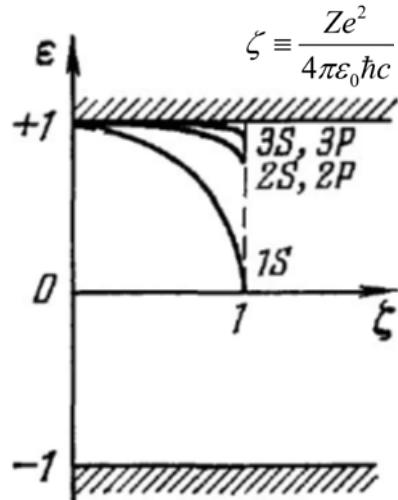
Weyl semimetal with Coulomb attraction.

# Dirac particle with Coulomb attraction

Dirac-Kepler problem at large Z, atomic collapse 3D

W. Greiner, B. Muller & J. Rafelski, QED of Strong Fields (Springer, 1985).  
Y. B. Zeldovich and V. S. Popov, Usp. Fiz. Nauk 105, 403 (1971).

$$m \neq 0 \quad \epsilon_1 = m\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$$



Subcritical:  $\frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} < 1$        $Ze$  is central charge.

Supercritical:  $\frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} > 1$        $\rightarrow$  atomic collapse for  $Z > 137$ .

Atomic collapse in graphene 2D

A. V. Shytov, M. I. Katsnelson, and L. S. Levitov, PRL 99, 236801 (2007).  
A. V. Shytov, M. I. Katsnelson, and L. S. Levitov, PRL 99, 246802 (2007).  
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Quasi-bound states in the supercritical regime of graphene.

# 3D Weyl particle + Coulomb attraction + magnetic field

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hbar v_F \left( \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{k} + \frac{e}{\hbar c} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{A} \right) \\ \hbar v_F \left( \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{k} + \frac{e}{\hbar c} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{A} \right) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{bmatrix} = [E - V(R)] \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Under **small magnetic field**, the Coulomb attraction  $|E_T|$  is much larger than the Landau level spacing.

$$|V(R_n)| = \frac{Z\alpha\hbar v_F}{R_n} \gg E_B = \frac{\sqrt{2}\hbar v_F}{l_B} \quad \rightarrow \quad R_n \ll \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} Z\alpha l_B \quad \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar v_F}$$

Expanding in spinor spherical harmonic function:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(\vec{R}) \\ \psi_2(\vec{R}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{\lambda-1}^{\lambda-\frac{1}{2},m}(\theta, \varphi) u_1(R)/R \\ iY_{\lambda}^{\lambda-\frac{1}{2},m}(\theta, \varphi) u_2(R)/R \end{bmatrix}$$

Radial equation:

$$\frac{d}{dR} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(R) \\ u_2(R) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\lambda}{R} + \frac{R}{2l_B^2} & \frac{E}{\hbar v_F} + \frac{Z\alpha}{R} \\ -\left(\frac{E}{\hbar v_F} + \frac{Z\alpha}{R}\right) & -\left(\frac{\lambda}{R} + \frac{R}{2l_B^2}\right) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(R) \\ u_2(R) \end{bmatrix}$$

# Approximate discrete scale invariance

Radial equation ( $i=1,2$ ) :

$$\frac{d^2}{dR^2} u_i(R) = \left( \frac{\lambda}{R} + \frac{R}{2l_B^2} \right)^2 u_i(R) - \left( \frac{E}{\hbar v_F} + \frac{Z\alpha}{R} \right)^2 u_i(R)$$

Magnetic field  $B=0$ :

$$p_R \approx \frac{\hbar s_0}{R} \quad s_0 \equiv \sqrt{(Z\alpha)^2 - \lambda^2}$$

WKB solution:

$$\int_{R_0}^{R_n} p_R \cdot dR = n\pi\hbar \quad \rightarrow$$

$$R_n/R_{n-1} = e^{\pi/s_0}$$

$$E_n = \frac{\hbar v_F Z\alpha}{R_n} = \frac{\hbar v_F Z\alpha}{R_0} e^{-n\pi/s_0}$$

With small  $B$ :

$$p_R \approx \frac{\hbar}{R} \sqrt{(Z\alpha)^2 - \left( \lambda + \frac{R^2}{2l_B^2} \right)^2} \quad \rightarrow$$

$$R < R_c \equiv \sqrt{2s_0}l_B$$

Bound state dissolves if  $R_n > \sqrt{2s_0}l_B$ .

WKB analysis gives the approximate discrete scale invariance:

$$\ln \frac{R_n}{R_{n-1}} \in \left( \frac{\pi}{s_0} - \frac{1}{2s_0}, \frac{\pi}{s_0} + \frac{1}{2s_0} \right)$$

$$\ln \frac{B_{n+1}}{B_n} \in \left( -\frac{2\pi}{s_0} - \frac{1}{s_0}, -\frac{2\pi}{s_0} + \frac{1}{s_0} \right)$$

# Weyl particle + Coulomb attraction + magnetic field

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hbar v_F \left( \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{k} + \frac{e}{\hbar c} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{A} \right) \\ \hbar v_F \left( \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{k} + \frac{e}{\hbar c} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{A} \right) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_1 \\ \Psi_2 \end{bmatrix} = [E - V(R)] \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_1 \\ \Psi_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Under very large magnetic field with  $R_n \gg \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} Z\alpha l_B$ , we consider the lowest landau level solution in cylindrical symmetry  $(\rho, z, \varphi)$ .

$$\Psi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ u(\rho, z) e^{-im\varphi} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Psi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ v(\rho, z) e^{-im\varphi} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u(\rho, z) = \rho^m e^{-\rho^2/4l_B^2} g(z) \quad v(\rho, z) = i\rho^m e^{-\rho^2/4l_B^2} f(z)$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{E - \tilde{V}(z)}{\hbar v_F} g(z) + \frac{d}{dz} f(z) = 0 \\ \frac{E - \tilde{V}(z)}{\hbar v_F} f(z) - \frac{d}{dz} g(z) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{V}(z) &= \int_0^\infty \rho^{2m+1} e^{-\rho^2/2l_B^2} \frac{-Z\alpha\hbar v_F}{\sqrt{\rho^2 + z^2}} \frac{d\rho}{m! 2^m l_B^{2m+2}} \\ &\approx \frac{-Z\alpha\hbar v_F}{z} \left[ 1 - \frac{(m+1)l_B^2}{z^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Scale Invariant if  $l_B \ll z$  with 1D Coulomb attraction.

# Weyl particle + Coulomb attraction + magnetic field

$$\left[ \frac{d^2}{dz^2} + \frac{d\tilde{V}(z)/dz}{E - \tilde{V}(z)} \frac{d}{dz} + \left( \frac{E - \tilde{V}(z)}{\hbar v_F} \right)^2 \right] g(z) = 0$$



$$\left[ \frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{\tilde{V}'(z)}{E - \tilde{V}(z)} \right)^2 - \frac{\tilde{V}''(z)}{2(E - \tilde{V}(z))} + \left( \frac{E - \tilde{V}(z)}{\hbar v_F} \right)^2 \right] \frac{g(z)}{\sqrt{E - \tilde{V}(z)}} = 0$$

For  $z \gg l_B$  and  $E \approx 0$ , attractive potential:  $\tilde{V}(z) = -\frac{Z\alpha\hbar v_F}{z}$

$$\left[ \frac{d^2}{dz^2} + \frac{(Z\alpha)^2 + 1/4}{z^2} \right] \sqrt{z} g(z) = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad p_z \approx \frac{\hbar Z\alpha}{z}$$

WKB solution:

$$\int_{z_0}^{z_n} p_z \cdot dz = n\pi\hbar \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$z_n/z_{n-1} = e^{\pi/Z\alpha}$$

Discrete scale invariance

# Approximate discrete scale invariance

Attractive potential condition:

$$\tilde{V}(z) = \frac{-Z\alpha\hbar v_F}{z} \left[ 1 - \frac{l_B^2}{z^2} \right] \rightarrow \frac{l_B}{z_n} < 1$$

Large magnetic field limit

$$|V(z_n)| = \frac{Z\alpha\hbar v_F}{z_n} < E_B = \frac{\sqrt{2}\hbar v_F}{l_B} \rightarrow \frac{l_B}{z_n} < \frac{\sqrt{2}}{Z\alpha}$$

Bound state forms if  $z_n > \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} Z\alpha l_B$ .

WKB solution:

$$\int_{z_0}^{z_n} p_z \cdot dz = n\pi\hbar \quad p_z \approx \frac{\hbar Z\alpha}{z} \left( 1 - \frac{l_B^2}{z^2} \right)$$

Approximate discrete scale invariance:

$$\ln \frac{z_n}{z_{n-1}} = \frac{\pi}{Z\alpha} + \frac{2l_{Bn}^2}{z_n^2} - \frac{2l_{Bn-1}^2}{z_{n-1}^2} \in \left( \frac{\pi}{Z\alpha} - \frac{4}{(Z\alpha)^2}, \frac{\pi}{Z\alpha} + \frac{4}{(Z\alpha)^2} \right)$$

$$\ln \frac{B_{n+1}}{B_n} \in \left( -\frac{2\pi}{Z\alpha} - \frac{8}{(Z\alpha)^2}, -\frac{2\pi}{Z\alpha} + \frac{8}{(Z\alpha)^2} \right)$$

# Comparison to the experimental results

$v_F \approx 4.5 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s}$  for the Dirac bands in  $\text{ZrTe}_5$  [Nature Physics 12, 550 (2016)]

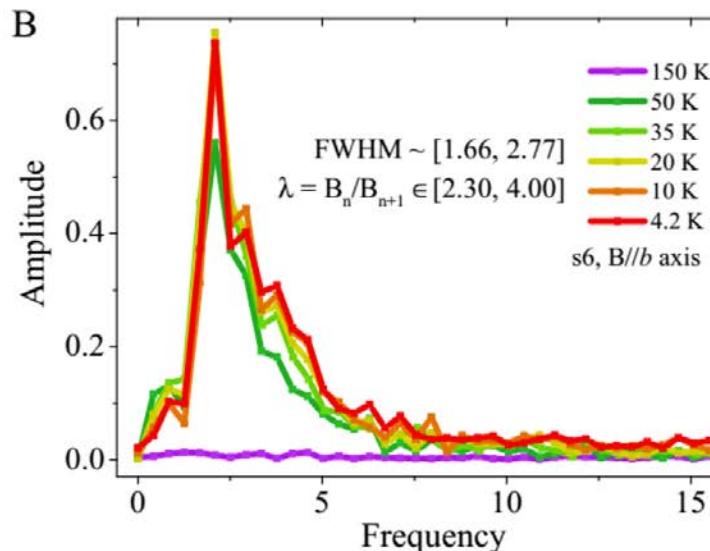
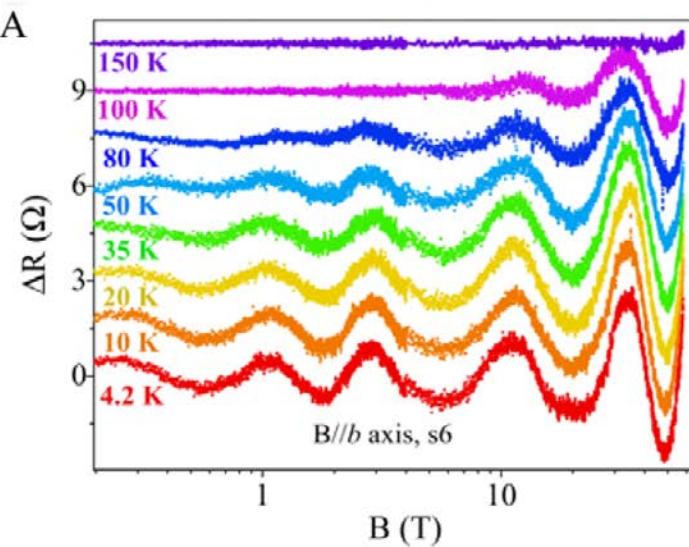
$$Z\alpha \approx 4.87 \text{ and } s_0 = \sqrt{(Z\alpha)^2 - 1} \approx 4.77$$

Approximate discrete scale invariance:

Theoretical ratio:

Dissolution:  $\ln \frac{B_{n+1}}{B_n} \in \left( -\frac{2\pi}{s_0} - \frac{1}{s_0}, -\frac{2\pi}{s_0} + \frac{1}{s_0} \right) \rightarrow B_n/B_{n+1} \in (3.03, 4.62)$

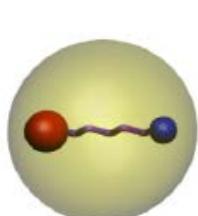
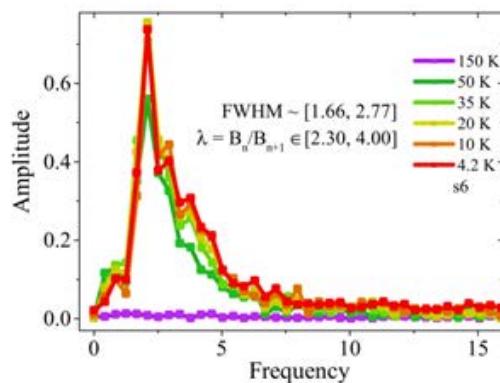
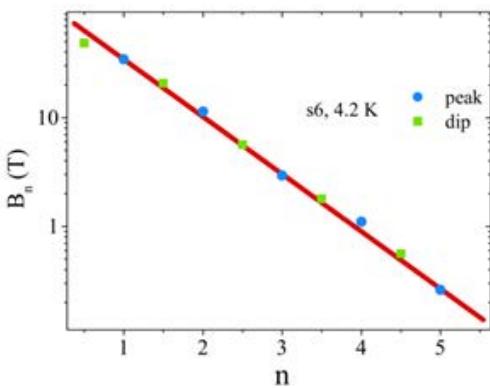
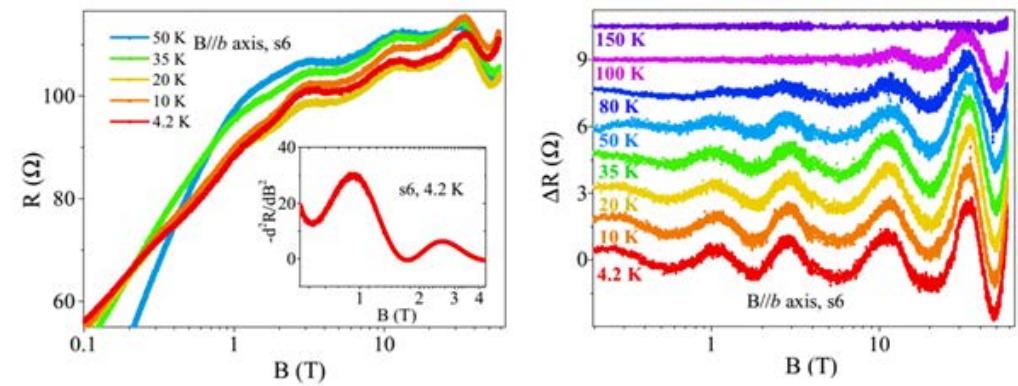
Formation:  $\ln \frac{B_{n+1}}{B_n} \in \left( -\frac{2\pi}{Z\alpha} - \frac{8}{(Z\alpha)^2}, -\frac{2\pi}{Z\alpha} + \frac{8}{(Z\alpha)^2} \right) \rightarrow B_n/B_{n+1} \in (2.59, 5.09)$



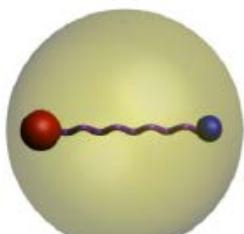
Experimental ratio:

$$\frac{B_n}{B_{n+1}} \in (2.30, 4.00)$$

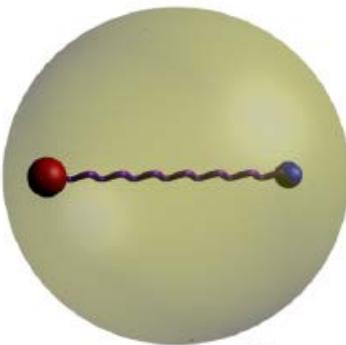
# Experimental results in ZrTe<sub>5</sub>



$$R_{n-1} = R_n / \lambda^{1/2}$$



$$R_n$$



$$R_{n+1} = R_n \cdot \lambda^{1/2}$$

1. Clear demonstration of 5 log-B periodic MR oscillations.
2. The experimental scaling factor  $\frac{B_n}{B_{n+1}} \in (2, 30, 4.00)$  is comparable to theoretical estimation.
3. The supercritical Coulomb attraction between hole and electron results in two-body Efimov bound states with discrete scale invariance.
4. Under magnetic field, the formation and dissolution of Efimov bound states give rise to log-B periodic MR oscillations beyond the quantum limit.

# Conclusion

1. Coexistence of electron and hole carriers in Weyl system with supercritical Coulomb attraction = two-body Efimov quasi-bound states with discrete scale invariance.
2. The formation and dissolution of two-body Efimov quasi-bound states under magnetic field give rise to novel log-B periodic oscillations of 3D systems beyond the quantum limit, where the Landau level physics is inapplicable.

Thank you !

