High-mobility electron transport on cylindrical surfaces

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- Concept to create high mobility electron gases on free standing semiconductor heterostructures -Experiment
- Electronic effects on a cylinder surface
 - Adiabatic transport transport nontrivial trajectories Landauer Büttiker using open orbits
 - Quantum Hall effect on a cylinder surface
 - Landauer Büttiker fails take self- consistent screening
 - Commensurable resistance oscillations for tangentially directed magnetic fields
 - Calculation of 'skipping orbits'



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Rolling-up a Heterostructure B In_xGa_{1-x}As Stressor $\mathbf{B}_{\perp} = \mathbf{B} \cos(\boldsymbol{\varphi})$ h_1 (nm) h_2 (nm) x_{In} $\Delta \epsilon$ 0.13 18.7 156 #A 11 #B 0.195 153 (Al,Ga)As with 2DEG, h₂ (In,Ga)As stressor, h₁ (AlAs) release layer

$$r = \frac{h_1^4 + 4\chi h_1^3 h_2 + 6\chi h_1^2 h_2^2 + 4\chi h_1 h_2^3 + \chi^2 h_2^4}{6\varepsilon\chi(1+\upsilon)h_1 h_2(h_1 + h_2)}$$
ratio of Young's moduli χ , Poisson ratio ν and strain ε
- Strain gradient $\Delta \varepsilon \approx 1 \%$
- Magnetic field gradient $\approx 1T/\mu m$



Heterostucture tubes containing a Hall bar







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Adiabatic transport on cylindrical surface

Mean free path compares with the rolling radius: $l_{mfp} \cong 20 \ \mu m \cong r \ \phi = 0^{\circ} \Rightarrow \text{low gradient}$





Ballistic transport on cylindrical surface II

Mean free path compares with the rolling radius: $l_{\rm mfp} \cong r$, $\varphi = 29^{\circ} \Rightarrow \delta B_{\perp}/B_{\perp} \cong 300\%$

- Extended
 - **trochoid-like trajectories (ETT)** move oppositely to
- guided trajectories (GT)







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$$\frac{\mu_3 - \mu_4}{I} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{K}{M(M+K)},$$

$$\frac{\mu_2 - \mu_1}{I} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{M}, \qquad \mu_2 = \mu_3$$



Quantum Hall effect – one dimensional Landau states





Quantum Hall effect dominated by

- one-dimensional Landau states
 (1DLS) at the low magnetic field side with
- maximum number of states

Landauer Büttiker approach:

$$\begin{pmatrix} I \\ -I \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \begin{pmatrix} -M & 0 & 0 & M \\ M & -(M-K)-K & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M-K & -(M-K) & 0 \\ 0 & K & M-K & -M \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \mu_3 \\ \mu_4 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\frac{\mu_2 - \mu_1}{I} = \frac{\mu_3 - \mu_1}{I} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \frac{1}{M}, \quad \mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_4$$









Quantum Hall effect





1D Landau states





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Some Exact Solutions for the Classical Hall Effect in an Inhomogeneous Magnetic Field¹

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$$j_{x} = \sigma_{xx}E_{x} + \sigma_{xy}E_{y}$$

$$j_{y} = -\sigma_{xy}E_{x} + \sigma_{xx}E_{y}$$
(1)

 $j_y = 0, \quad E_y = -\frac{\sigma_{xy}}{\sigma_{xx}}E_x = -\mu BE_x$ (2) The classical Hall effect in inhomogeneous systems is considered for the case of one-dimensional inhomogeneity. For a certain geometry of the problem and for the magnetic field linearly depending on the coordinate, the distribution of current density corresponds to the skin-effect. © 2000 MAIK "Nauka/Interperiodica".

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$$div\mathbf{j} = 0 \qquad div\mathbf{j} = \frac{\delta j_x}{\delta x} = (\sigma_{xx} + \frac{\sigma_{xy}^2}{\sigma_{xx}})\frac{\delta E_x}{\delta x} = -(\sigma_{xx} + \frac{\sigma_{xy}^2}{\sigma_{xx}})\frac{\delta^2 \Phi}{\delta x^2} = 0$$

General solution

$$\Phi = C_1(y)x + C_0(y)$$
 where $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla \Phi(x, y)$

From (2):
$$\frac{\delta\Phi}{\delta y} = -\mu B \frac{\delta\Phi}{\delta x} \qquad \frac{\delta C_1(y)}{\delta y} x + \frac{\delta C_0(y)}{\delta y} = -\mu B C_1(y)$$

Field gradient along the current : $B(x) = B_0 kx$ $C_1 = C e^{-\mu B_0 ky}$, $C_0 = 0$

$$E_{y} = C\mu B_{0}kye^{-\mu B_{0}ky}, \quad E_{x} = -Ce^{-\mu B_{0}ky}, \quad j_{x} = -\sigma_{xx}Ce^{-\mu B_{0}ky}$$





Self-consistent calculation of the density and current distribution

- Total electrostatic potential energy $V_{tot}(x, y) = V_{bg}(x, y) + V_{ext}(x, y) + V_H(x, y)$
 - $\begin{array}{ll} V_{bg}(x,y) & background potential generated by the donors \\ V_{ext}(x,y) & external potential from the gates (which will be used to simulate the filling factor gradient) \\ V_{H}(x,y) & Hartree potential to describe the mutual electron-electron interaction \end{array}$
- Electron density

 $n_{el}(x, y) = \int D(E, x, y) f(E + V_{tot}(x, y) - \mu^*) dE$

 $D(E, x, y) \quad (local) \text{ density of states}$ $f(E) = 1/[\exp(E/k_bT)) + 1] \quad Fermi \text{ function}$ $\mu^* \quad electrochemical \text{ potential}$

• Hartree potential explicitly depends on the electron density via

$$V_H(x, y) = \frac{2e}{\kappa} \int_A K(x, y, x', y') n_{el}(x', y') dx' dy'$$

K(x, y, x', y') solution of the 2D Poisson equation satisfying the periodic boundary conditions,

Screening theory in the QHE

Classical and quantum mechanical drift velocities,

$$\vec{v}_D = c \frac{\vec{E} \times \vec{B}}{B^2} \quad v_y = -\frac{eE_x}{m\omega_c}$$

> Current flows along the Incompressible Stripes





- Self consistent calculation of carrier and current distribution



at average filling factors $\nu > 2$

Calculations A. Siddiki



Resistance oscillations for tangentially directed magnetic fields





Resistance oscillations for tangentially directed magnetic fields





Oscillations with 'free electron states'



Calculation of the effective potential:

-Free electron states , classically 'Snake-like orbits - SLO - stripe of width L_{free}





Oscillations with 'free electron states'



Commensurability $L_{free}^{2} = 2\sqrt{2} \frac{\hbar (k_{F} - k_{X})}{eB_{0}} R$

SLO period $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ wave-guide width W

$$\frac{W}{L_{free}} = C \times \sqrt{B_0} = 2\pi q,$$







Calculation – rough boundary scattering





Compensation of skipping orbits with statistical scattering at the rough wave-guide boundary

Need a preferential momentum directions $\rightarrow k_y k_x$ pre-selection



Calculation - $k_y k_x$ pre-selection





Transverse force due to torque from induced magnetic moment





'zitterbewegung' of a 1D 'Skin'-channel



 $H_{so} \propto \left| \vec{k} \, \vec{\sigma} \right|$

'zitterbewegung' due to
spin precession
J. Schliemann Phys.Rev.B (2006)

!! All electrons along L_{free} have the chance to acquire an orthogonal momentum p_x



$$L_{so} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m\beta} \cong 2.6\,\mu m$$

using Dresselhaus term β for 13 nm wide GaAs QW

K.-J. Friedland et al., phys. stat. sol., 2008

Summary

QHE :

- Transport theory beyond Landauer Büttiker
 - Sequential transport along incompressible/compressible regions
 - Screening theory in nontrivial geometries to model lateral position of incompressible stripes \rightarrow quantized in R_1 and R_H

Oscillations in tangentially oriented fields:

- Commensurability of free-electron length $L_{\rm free}$ with the wave guide width W
 - → 'Snake'-like trajectories compensate by scattering at rough boundaries
 - Torque from induced magnetic moment and/or
 - Spin precession in a one-dimensional skin-channel allow to acquire the necessary orthogonal momentum $k_{\rm X}$

