

# **Faces of umklapp in holography** *or why do we like nasty periodic solutions so much*

#### Alexander Krikun (Instituut Lorentz, Leiden)

Gauge/Duality Gravity 2018 Würzburg

#### References

arXiv:1512.02465 T.Andrade, A.K. arXiv:1701.04625 T.Andrade, A.K. arXiv 1710 05791 T.Andrade, A.K. K.Schalm and J.Zaanen arXiv:1710.05801 A.K. arXiv:1809.xxxxx F.Balm, A.K., arXiv:1810.xxxxx A. Romero-Bermudez, K.Schalm and J.Zaanen

JHEP 1605 (2016) 039JHEP 1703 (2017) 168Nature Physics (2018)

In collaboration with

Jan Zaanen, Koenraad Schalm Tomas Andrade (Barcelona) Floris Balm, Aurelio Romero-Bermudez

### Outline

- 1. Brilluin zone and Umklapp
- 2. Lock in: discommensuraitions
- 3. Lock in: 2D patterns
- 4. Fermionic response: Umklapp 2.0

#### Periodic potential and Brilluin zone

Position space

$$D^2\psi(x) + V(x)\psi(x) = 0$$

Momentum space

$$p^2\psi(p)+V(q)\psi(p-q)=0$$

The spectrum is organized in orbits

$$\Psi(k) \sim \{\psi(k), \psi(k+q), \psi(k+2q), \dots\}, \qquad k \in [0, 2\pi]$$

Bloch wave function

$$\Psi(x) = e^{ikx} \bar{\psi}(x), \qquad \bar{\psi}(x) \equiv \bar{\psi}(x + 2\pi/q)$$

# Umklapp scattering of particles



Umklapp scattering of particles



Umklapp scattering of particles



Commensurate lock in as an umklapp effect

Spontaneous breaking of translations

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial \psi)^2 - \frac{\tau(\psi)}{4} F^2 - V(\psi) \right) - \frac{1}{2} \int \vartheta(\psi) F \wedge F$$

Donos, Gaunltett; 1106.2004, JHEP08(2011)140



A. Krikun: Faces of umklapp in holography

# Spontaneous TSB in the Brilluin zone

$$\mu(x) = \mu_0 \big( 1 + A \cos(qx) \big)$$

Horowitz, Santos, Tong; 1209.1098 JHEP11(2012)102



#### Commensurate enhancement



Andrade, Krikun; 1701.04625 JHEP03(2017)168

# Lock in plateaux



# Nonlinear lock in

### Nonlinear Lock in



Andrade, Krikun, Schalm, Zaanen;1710.05791, Nat. Phys. (2018)

#### Nonlinear Lock in



Discommensuration

Two scales for one Brilluin zone.



### Discommensuration

#### **Discommensurations** account for the **phase shift by** $\pi/2$



A. Krikun: Faces of umklapp in holography

#### Discommensuration

#### And they form discommensuration lattices





Mesaros, A. et al. PNAS **113**, 12661–12666 (2016).

### Relevant to experiments!

# 2D lock in

### Stripes and Checkerboards



Withers, 1407.1085, JHEP09(2014)102

#### Varma loop currents



Balm, Krikun, R.-Bermudez, Schalm and Zaanen, in progress

# Umklapp of Holographic Fermions

# Fermi pockets

$$\left[\Gamma^{f} \mathrm{e}^{\mu}_{f}(x) \left(\partial_{\mu} + \frac{1}{4} \omega^{a}_{b\mu}(x) \eta_{ac} \sigma^{cb} - ieA_{\mu}(x)\right) - m\right] \Psi = 0$$



#### Holographic fermions: weak lattice



Ling et al. 1304.2128, JHEP07(2013)045

#### Holographic fermions: strong lattice



Balm, Krikun, R.-Bermudez, Schalm and Zaanen, in progress

## Nodal-antinodal dychotomy



Zhou, Yoshida, Shen, PRL.92.187001

# Conclusion

- Periodic lattices display interesting phenomenology which is relevant to experimental observations
- Umklapp effects can only be seen in spatially dependent backgrounds (homogeneous lattices don't have it)
- Holography brings new twist to the well known umklapp physics