

# Edge Transport in Interacting Quantum Hall Systems

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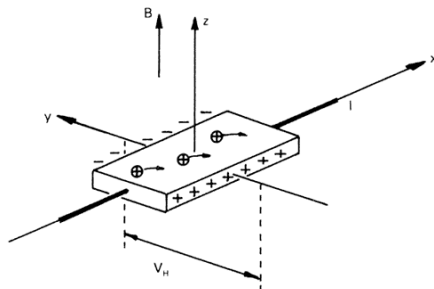
# Summary

- Introduction: **universality of transport** in condensed matter systems. Integer quantum Hall effect, bulk-edge duality.
- **Interacting** quantum Hall systems on the **cylinder**. Quantization of **edge response function** from a microscopic model.
- **General approach**: Wick rotation, RG analysis of correlations, resolution of the scaling limit, Ward identities.
- Conclusions and open problems.

# Introduction

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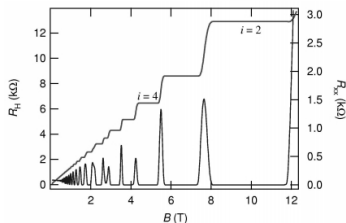
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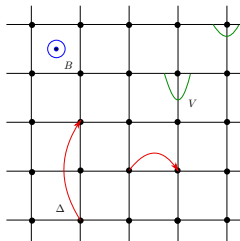
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**Linear response:**  $J = \sigma E + o(E)$  with  $\sigma =$  **conductivity matrix**:

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{n}{2\pi} \\ -\frac{n}{2\pi} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



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$\Delta$  = lattice hopping;  $V$  = external potential;  $B$  = magnetic field.

Here  $H = -\Delta_A + V$ , with

$$\Delta_A(x; y) = \Delta(x; y) e^{i \int_{x \rightarrow y} d\ell \cdot A(\ell)}, \quad \int_{\partial(\text{plaquette})} d\ell \cdot A(\ell) = \text{Flux}(B)$$

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- Assuming the validity of **linear response**, the transverse conductivity of the system can be expressed via the Fermi projector. One has:

$$\sigma_{12} = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{i}{L^2} \text{Tr}_{\mathfrak{h}} \chi(x \in [0, L]^2) P_\mu [[\hat{x}_1, P_\mu], [\hat{x}_2, P_\mu]]$$

- Remarkably,  $\sigma_{12} \in \frac{1}{2\pi} \mathbb{Z}$  (Chern number/index thm) Rigorous results:

TKNN '82; Bellissard et al. '94; Avron, Seiler, Simon '94; Aizenman-Graf '98...



# Edge states

- Consider now a lattice model on the **cylinder**  $\Lambda_L$ :

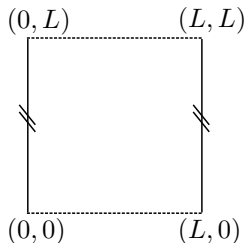


Figure: Dotted lines: **Dirichlet** b.c.. Identify vertical sides.

$H$  = restriction to the cylinder of a **gapped** Hamiltonian on  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ .

- Important:** in general,  $H$  **may not have a spectral gap** uniformly in  $L$ . A **nonzero** Hall conductivity is related to the emergence of **gapless** modes on the boundary [Halperin '82] (**algebraic** decay of correlations).

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- The gap might be closed by **edge modes**:

$$(H = \bigoplus_{k \in S^1} \hat{H}(k))$$

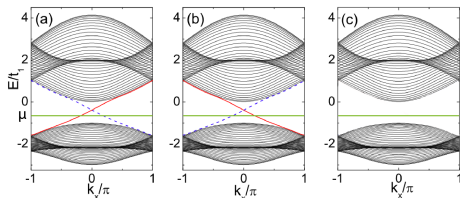


Figure: Blue/Red curves: edge modes. Gray: “bulk” spectrum.

- Red curve: eigenvalue branch, with **generalized eigenstates**:

$$\varphi_x(k) = e^{ikx_1} \xi_{x_2}(k) , \quad \text{with } |\xi_{x_2}(k)| \leq C e^{-c|x_2|} .$$

**Localized** in proximity of the lower edge, **extended** along the edge.

$\rightsquigarrow$  **metallic transport** along the boundary.

# The bulk-edge duality

- **Bulk-edge duality**: relation between  $\sigma_{12}$  and the edge states of  $H$ .

$$\sigma_{12} = \sum_{\omega} \frac{\text{sgn}(v_{\omega})}{2\pi}$$

= sum of **chiralities** of edge modes (also equal to **edge** conductance).

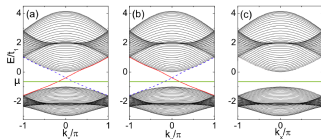


Figure: (a) :  $\sigma_{12} = \frac{1}{2\pi}$ , (b) :  $\sigma_{12} = -\frac{1}{2\pi}$ , (c) :  $\sigma_{12} = 0$ .

- Argument for bulk-edge duality based on **anomaly cancellation**:  
Wen 90, Fröhlich et al. '91...
- **Rigorous results** for noninteracting systems:  
Hatsugai '93; Schulz-Baldes, Kellendonk, Richter '00; Elbau-Graf '02;  
Elgart, Graf, Schenker '05; Graf, P. '13; Cornean, Moscolari, Teufel '21...

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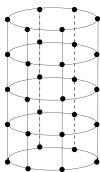
- **Interacting** lattice many-body Fermi system on **cylinder**  $\Lambda_L$ ,  $|\Lambda_L| = L^2$ .
- **Fock space Hamiltonian**:  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \lambda \mathcal{V}$  with  $(\rho = \text{spin, sublattice...})$

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \sum_{x,y} \sum_{\rho,\rho'} a_{x,\rho}^+ H_{\rho\rho'}(x,y) a_{y,\rho'}^- , \quad \mathcal{V} = \sum_{x,y} \sum_{\rho,\rho'} v_{\rho\rho'}(x,y) a_{x,\rho}^+ a_{y,\rho'}^+ a_{y,\rho'}^- a_{x,\rho}^-$$

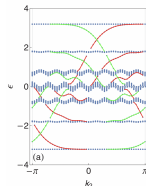
$H(x;y)$ ,  $v(x;y)$  finite-ranged. **Transl. inv.:**  $[H, T_1] = [v, T_1] = 0$ .

- **Hyp.:**  $H$  has a **bulk gap**, and supports **edge modes** at the Fermi level.
- Gibbs state:**  $\rho_{\beta,L} = \mathcal{Z}^{-1} e^{-\beta(\mathcal{H} - \mu N)}$ , with  $\mu$  in a bulk spectral gap of  $H$ .

Lattice:



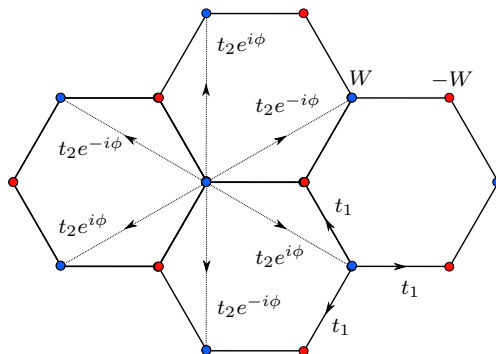
Spectrum of  $H$ :





# Simplest example: Haldane model

- Haldane '88. Graphene-like model, **zero-flux** magnetic field.



- Free Hamiltonian:** nn hopping + nnn hopping + staggered potential.

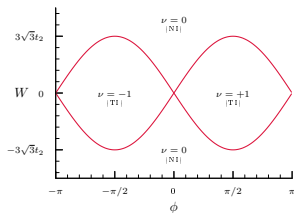
$$H_0 = t_1 \sum_{\langle x, y \rangle} |x\rangle\langle y| + \sum_{\langle\langle x, y \rangle\rangle} t_2(x, y) |x\rangle\langle y| + W \left[ \sum_{x \in \textcolor{blue}{A}} |x\rangle\langle x| - \sum_{y \in \textcolor{red}{B}} |y\rangle\langle y| \right]$$

# Hall conductivity and edge modes

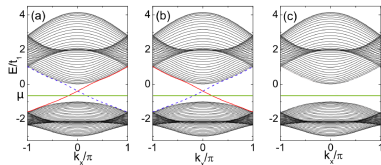
- For generic  $\phi, W$  the spectrum of  $H_0$  on the infinite lattice is **gapped**. The Hall conductivity on the infinite lattice is:

$$\sigma_{12} = \frac{\nu}{2\pi}, \quad \nu = -1, 0, 1.$$

Topological phase diagram:



Edge modes:



- A **phase transition** takes place at discontinuity of  $\nu$ . The phase diagram is robust against **many-body interactions**, up to a renormalization of the curves. [Giuliani-Jauslin-Mastropietro-P. '16, '19.]

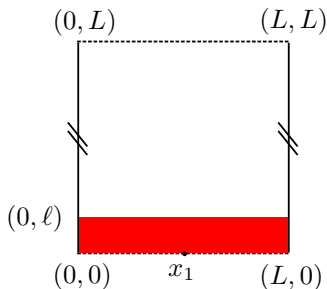
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**Difficulties:** control of real-time integral as  $\eta \rightarrow 0^+$ , **gapless modes**.

**Remark:** Order of  $\eta, p \rightarrow 0^+$  limit **matters**. E.g.:  $G^\ell(\eta, 0) = 0!$

# Multi-channel Luttinger liquid

- Effective **1 + 1 dimensional QFT** for edge modes (scaling limit):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z} &= \int D\psi e^{-S(\psi)} \\ S(\psi) &= \sum_{\omega} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d\underline{x} Z_{\omega} \psi_{\underline{x},\omega}^+ (\partial_0 + i v_{\omega} \partial_1) \psi_{\underline{x},\omega}^- \\ &\quad + \sum_{\omega, \omega'} \lambda_{\omega, \omega'} Z_{\omega} Z_{\omega'} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2} d\underline{x} d\underline{y} n_{\underline{x},\omega} n_{\underline{y},\omega'} v(\underline{x} - \underline{y}) . \end{aligned}$$

$\psi_{\underline{x},\omega}^{\pm}$  = **Grassmann field**,  $\underline{x} = (x_0, x_1)$ ,  $\omega$  = chirality (edge modes).

- $Z_{\omega}$ ,  $v_{\omega}$  chosen to **correctly match** the scaling of edge correlations.
- Elastic scattering hyp.: if  $k_F^{\omega}$  is the **Fermi momentum** of the  $\omega$  edge state,

$$(*) \quad k_F^{\omega_1} - k_F^{\omega_2} = k_F^{\omega_3} - k_F^{\omega_4} \quad \text{only for edge modes equal in **pairs**.}$$

Generic, in absence of special sym.  $(k_F^{\omega_1} \equiv k_F^{\omega_1}(\mu), \mu = \text{Fermi level}).$

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- Idea:** use the exact relations to characterize scaling limit of lattice model.

# Main result: interacting edge transport

- We consider  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \lambda \mathcal{V}$ , transl. inv. in the direction of the edge, with  $\mathcal{H}_0$  displaying **arbitrarily many edge modes**, under the assumption (\*).

Theorem (V. Mastropietro, M. P. - Comm. Math. Phys. 2022)

For  $|\lambda|$  small, the  $\beta, L \rightarrow \infty$  edge conductance is, for  $\underline{p} = (\eta, p)$  and  $|\underline{p}| \ll 1$ :

$$G^\ell(\underline{p}) = \sum_{\omega} r_{\omega}(\underline{p}) \frac{v_{\omega} p}{-i\eta + v_{\omega} p} \frac{\text{sgn}(v_{\omega})}{2\pi} + o(1)$$

where

$$r_{\omega}(\underline{p}) = \left( \left( 1 + \frac{1}{4\pi|v|} \Lambda \right) \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{4\pi|v|} \omega(\underline{p}) \Lambda} \right)_{\omega\omega}$$

with:  $v_{\omega} \equiv v_{\omega}(\lambda)$ ,  $v = \text{diag}(v_{\omega})$ ,  $\Lambda_{\omega\omega'} = O(\lambda)$ ,  $\omega(\underline{p}) = \text{diag}\left(\frac{-i\eta + v_{\omega} p_1}{i\eta + v_{\omega} p_1}\right)$ .

In particular,

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} G^\ell(\underline{p}) = \sum_{\omega} \frac{\text{sgn}(v_{\omega})}{2\pi}.$$

# Remarks

- Combined with the universality of the Hall conductivity [GMP17], the result implies the **stability** of the bulk-edge duality against interactions.
- Previous work on interacting edge modes:
  - **Antinucci-Mastropietro-P. 2018**: one edge mode. Chiral Luttinger liquid universality class.
  - **Mastropietro-P. 2018**: two counterpropagating edge modes, spin transport. Helical Luttinger liquid universality class.
- Main technical tools:
  - **Rigorous RG analysis** of the edge correlations, scaling limit.  
[Gawedzki, Kupiainen, Feldman, Magnen, Rivasseau, Sénéor, Benfatto, Gallavotti, Balaban, Knörrer, Trubowitz, Brydges, Slade...]
  - **Lattice Ward identities**, implied by lattice conservation laws.  
Put nontrivial constraints between scaling limit and lattice model.
  - **Anomalous Ward identities**, for the effective QFT. Implications: exact expressions for correlations, **vanishing of the beta function**.

# Sketch of the proof

# Euclidean response function

- The proof starts by a **rigorous Wick rotation** from real to **imaginary times** of the transport coefficient.

We have:

$$G^\ell(\eta, p) = \lim_{\beta, L \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\beta ds e^{-i\eta s} \sum_{y \in \Lambda_L} e^{ipy_1} \langle n_y(-is); \mathcal{J}_0^\ell \rangle_{\beta, L}$$

In contrast to real-time correlations, imaginary-time correlations can be **estimated efficiently** via convergent expansions and multiscale analysis.

- $G^\ell(\eta, p)$  extends to a function on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{S}^1$ .

We are interested in the  $(\eta, p) \rightarrow (0^+, 0)$  **limit**. Recall:

$$G^\ell(\eta, 0) = 0 .$$

That is, the response to a constant perturbation is trivial. **Other limit?**

- We construct  $G^\ell(\eta, p)$  via a rigorous RG analysis. The response function is actually **discontinuous** at zero.

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- From  $G^\ell(\eta, 0) = 0$  and continuity of  $R^\ell(\underline{p})$ , we determine  $R^\ell(\underline{0})$ . We get:

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Plugging in  $G = (\vec{Z}_0, \mathcal{A} \vec{Z}_1)$ , **universality (remarkably) follows.** ■

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# Wick rotation

- Let us consider, for  $\eta > 0$ :

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 dt e^{t\eta} \langle [A(t), B] \rangle_{\beta, L}$$

$A$  and  $B$  are extensive, finite-ranged observables:  $O = \sum_{X \subset \Lambda_L} O_X$ .

- Approximate  $\eta$  by  $\eta_\beta \in \frac{2\pi}{\beta}\mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $|\eta - \eta_\beta| \leq \frac{2\pi}{\beta}$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{-\infty}^0 dt e^{t\eta} \langle [A(t), B] \rangle_{\beta, L} - \int_{-\infty}^0 dt e^{t\eta_\beta} \langle [A(t), B] \rangle_{\beta, L} \right| \\ & \leq \int_{-\infty}^0 dt |e^{t\eta} - e^{t\eta_\beta}| \| [A(t), B] \| \\ & \leq \frac{C}{\beta} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt e^{t\eta} L^2 t^{2+1} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \beta \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

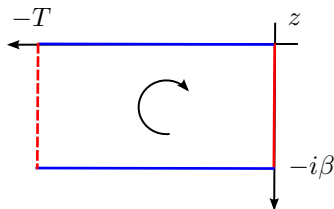
The last inequality follows from the **Lieb-Robinson bound**:

$$\| [A_X(t), B_Y] \| \leq C_{AB} e^{vt - c \text{dist}(X, Y)}$$

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- We analytically continue to **imaginary times**. We have, by KMS:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt e^{t\eta_\beta} \langle [A(t), B] \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^0 dt (e^{t\eta_\beta} \langle A(t)B \rangle - e^{(t-i\beta)\eta_\beta} \langle A(t-i\beta)B \rangle) \\ &= i \int_0^\beta dt e^{-it\eta_\beta} \langle A(-it)B \rangle_{\beta,L} \end{aligned}$$



- Errors (dotted **red**) estimated via bounds on **Euclidean** correlations:

$$|\langle A(T - it)B \rangle_{\beta,L}| \leq \langle A(-it)A(-it)^* \rangle_{\beta,L}^{1/2} \langle B^* B \rangle_{\beta,L}^{1/2}$$

# Grassmann QFT

- Grassmann representation of the Euclidean QFT:

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\beta,L} = \mathbb{E}_g(e^{V(\psi)})$$

where:

- $\psi \equiv \psi_{\mathbf{x}}^{\pm}$  is a **complex Grassmann field**, for  $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x) \in [0, \beta) \times \Lambda_L$
- $\mathbb{E}_g$  is a **Gaussian integration**, with propagator:

$$\mathbb{E}_g(\psi_{\mathbf{x}}^+ \psi_{\mathbf{y}}^-) = \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{k_0 \in \frac{2\pi}{\beta}(\mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2})} e^{ik_0(x_0 - y_0)} \frac{1}{-ik_0 + H - \mu}(x, y) =: g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) .$$

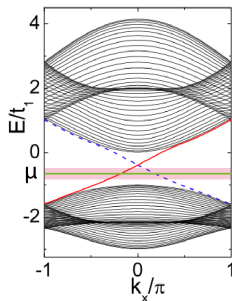
- $V(\psi)$  is a **quartic interaction**:

$$V(\psi) = \lambda \int_{[0,\beta)^2} dx_0 dy_0 \sum_{x,y \in \Lambda_L} \psi_{\mathbf{x}}^+ \psi_{\mathbf{x}}^- \psi_{\mathbf{y}}^+ \psi_{\mathbf{y}}^- \delta(x_0 - y_0) v(x - y) .$$



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- $\psi_2$  is **integrated out** via **convergent** exp.: [Brydges-Battle-Federbush]

$$\mathbb{E}_g(e^{V(\psi)}) = \mathbb{E}_{g_1}\mathbb{E}_{g_2}(e^{V(\psi_1+\psi_2)}) = \mathbb{E}_{g_1}(e^{V_{\text{eff}}(\psi_1)}) .$$

The field  $\psi_1$  can be parametrized in terms of a truly **1 + 1 dim. field**:

$$\psi_{1,\underline{k}}(x_2) = \sum_{\omega} \xi_{k_1}^{\omega}(x_2) \varphi_{\omega,\underline{k}},$$

where  $\xi_{k_1}^{\omega}(x_2)$  is the **eigenstate of the  $\omega$ -edge mode** and:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{\varphi}(\varphi_{\omega,\underline{k}}^+ \varphi_{\omega',\underline{k}}^-) &= \delta_{\omega,\omega'} \hat{g}_{\omega}(\underline{k}) \\ \hat{g}_{\omega}(\underline{k}) &= \frac{\chi(|\varepsilon_{\omega}(k_1) - \mu| \leq \delta)}{-ik_0 + \varepsilon_{\omega}(k_1) - \mu} \end{aligned}$$

**Massless propagator:** close to  $k_F^{\omega}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{\omega}(k_1) - \mu \simeq v_{\omega}(k_1 - k_F^{\omega})$ .

# Multiscale integration

- We end up with a (complicated, but explicit) **1d effective theory**:

$$\mathbb{E}_g(e^{V(\psi)}) = \int \nu(d\varphi) e^{\mathcal{V}(\varphi)}$$

where  $\nu = \prod_{\omega} \nu_{\omega}$  and  $\nu_{\omega}$  has propagator  $g_{\omega}(\underline{k})$ .

- The massless 1d field is **decomposed in scales**:

$$\varphi_{\omega} = \sum_{h=h_{\beta}}^0 \varphi_{\omega}^{(h)} \quad g_{\omega}^{(h)}(\underline{k}) \simeq \frac{1}{Z_{\omega,h}} \frac{\chi(\|\underline{k} - \underline{k}_F^{\omega}\| \sim 2^h)}{-ik_0 + v_{\omega,h}(k_1 - k_F^{\omega})}$$

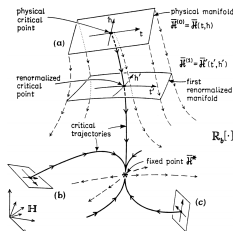
and integrated iteratively: **(Gallavotti-Nicolò tree expansion)**

$$\mathbb{E}_{\varphi^{(h_{\beta})} + \dots + \varphi^{(0)}} \left( e^{\mathcal{V}(\varphi^{(h_{\beta})} + \dots + \varphi^{(0)})} \right) = \mathcal{Z}_h \mathbb{E}_{\varphi^{(h_{\beta})} + \dots + \varphi^{(h)}} \left( e^{\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h} \varphi^{(\leq h)})} \right)$$

where  $(\mathcal{V}^{(h)}, Z_h, v_h)$  solve a **discrete recursion equation**. In particular:

$$\mathcal{V}_4^{(h)}(\xi) = \sum_{\omega, \omega'} \lambda_{\omega, \omega', h} \int dx_0 \sum_{x_1} \xi_{\underline{x}, \omega}^+ \xi_{\underline{x}, \omega}^- \xi_{\underline{x}, \omega'}^+ \xi_{\underline{x}, \omega'}^-$$

## RG flow



- The **marginal** direction associated to  $Z_{h,\omega}$ ,  $v_{h,\omega}$  and to the **effective couplings**  $\lambda_{h,\omega,\omega'}$  is controlled thanks to a key aspect of integrability:

$$\lambda_{h,\omega,\omega'} = \lambda_{h+1,\omega,\omega'} + \beta_{h+1,\omega,\omega'}^\lambda \quad \beta_{h+1,\omega,\omega'}^\lambda = O(\lambda_{h+1}^2 2^{\theta h})$$

(asymptotic) **vanishing of the beta function.**

Proof based on a generalization of the method of [Benfatto-Mastropietro]

- Flow of the running coupling constants, as  $h \rightarrow -\infty$ :

$$\lambda_{h,\omega,\omega'} = C_{\omega,\omega'} \lambda + O(\lambda^2), \quad Z_{h,\omega} \sim 2^{-h\eta_\omega \lambda^2}, \quad v_{h,\omega} - v_\omega = O(\lambda^2).$$