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Spin liquids in graphene

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We reveal that local interactions in graphene allow novel spin liquids between the semi-metal and antiferromagnetic Mott insulating phases, identified with algebraic spin liquid and Z_2 spin liquid, respectively. We argue that the algebraic spin liquid can be regarded as the two dimensional realization of one dimensional spin dynamics, where antiferromagnetic correlations show exactly the same power-law dependence as valence bond correlations. Nature of the Z_2 spin liquid turns out to be d + id' singlet pairing, but time reversal symmetry is preserved, taking d + id' in one valley and d-id' in the other valley. We propose the Josephson effect between two valleys for the mechanism of time reversal symmetry and an experimental signature of the quantized thermal valley Hall effect. Quantum phase transitions among the semi-metal, algebraic spin liquid, and Z_2 spin liquid are shown to be continuous while the transition from the Z_2 spin liquid to the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator turns out to be the first order. We emphasize that both algebraic spin liquid and $d \pm id' Z_2$ spin liquid can be verified by the quantum Monte Carlo simulation, showing the enhanced symmetry in the algebraic spin liquid and the quantized thermal valley Hall effect in the Z_2 spin liquid.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Interplay between the topological band structure and interaction drives one direction of research in modern condensed matter physics,^{1,2} where emergence of Dirac fermions is at the heart of the interplay. The original example is the system of one dimensional interacting electrons, where interactions become enhanced at low energies, combined with one dimensionality, and electron fractionalization results, giving rise to a new state of matter, dubbed as the Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid.³ An interesting aspect is that such fractionalized excitations as spinons and holons are identified with topological excitations, carrying fermion quantum numbers associated with the topological structure of the Dirac theory.⁴

A recent study based on the quantum Monte Carlo simulation⁵ has argued that essentially the same phenomenon as electron fractionalization in the Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid may happen in two dimensions when local interactions are introduced in the graphene structure. This study claimed existence of a paramagnetic Mott insulator with a spin gap between the semi-metal and anti-ferromagnetic Mott insulating phases. Immediately, the nature of the spin gapped Mott state has been suggested to be an s-wave spin-singlet pairing order between next nearest neighbor spins,^{6–8} thus identified with a Z_2 spin liquid. We point out other scenarios^{9,10} for the nature of the spin liquid state.

In the present study we revisit this problem, the nature of possible spin liquids in the Hubbard model on the graphene structure. An important point of our study is to solve the Hubbard model directly beyond recent studies,^{6–8} where an additional energy scale was introduced to describe the spin-singlet pairing order. The SU(2) slave-rotor representation, invented by one of the authors,¹¹ is at the heart of the methodology, where exchange correlations via virtual processes are naturally caught to allow spin singlet-pairing. One may regard the SU(2) slave-rotor theory of the Hubbard model as an analogue of the SU(2) slave-boson theory¹² for the t-J model.

We find two kinds of spin liquids, identified with an algebraic spin liquid and a Z_2 spin liquid, respectively, between the semi-metal and antiferromagnetic phases. We argue that the algebraic spin liquid^{13,14} can be regarded as the two dimensional realization of one dimensional spin dynamics, where antiferromagnetic correlations show exactly the same power-law dependence as valence bond correlations^{15,16}. Increasing interactions, pairing correlations between nearest neighbor sites become enhanced. As a result, the algebraic spin liquid is shown to turn into a gapped spin liquid state, where the spin gap results from d + id' singlet pairing, believed to originate from the interplay between the topological structure and interaction. Actually, this pairing symmetry solution has been argued to be stable, based on an effective model in the weak coupling approach. 17,18 However, we argue that time reversal symmetry is preserved, taking the d + id' singlet pairing to one valley while the d - id' pairing to another. We suggest the Josephson effect between two valleys for the mechanism of time reversal symmetry. We propose the quantized thermal valley Hall effect for the fingerprint of this gapped Z_2 spin liquid.

We would like to emphasize that appearance of both algebraic spin liquid and $d \pm id' Z_2$ spin liquid can be verified by the quantum Monte Carlo simulation in principle. The fingerprint of the algebraic spin liquid is an enhanced symmetry, giving rise to the same power-law dependence between antiferromagnetic and valence bond correlations. The hallmark of the $d \pm id' Z_2$ spin liquid is the quantized thermal valley Hall effect, as mentioned above. We hope that the present study motivates quantum Monte Carlo simulation researchers to calculate such correlation functions.

The present paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II we present the SU(2) slave-rotor theory of the Hubbard model, where general mean field equations are derived. We perform the mean field analysis for possible quantum phase transitions in Sec. III. In Sec. IV we give summary and discussion.

II. SU(2) SLAVE-ROTOR THEORY OF THE HUBBARD MODEL

A. Formulation

We start from the Hubbard model on the honeycomb lattice

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle \sigma} c^{\dagger}_{i\sigma} c_{j\sigma} + \text{H.c.} + U \sum_{i} n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}, \qquad (1)$$

where $c_{i\sigma}$ ($c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger}$) is the annihilation (creation) operator for an electron at site *i* with spin σ . *t* is the hopping integral, and *U* is the on-site Coulomb interaction, where $n_{i\sigma} = c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger}c_{i\sigma}$ represents the density of electrons with spin σ .

Introducing the Nambu-spinor representation

$$\psi_i = \left(\begin{array}{c} c_{i\uparrow} \\ c^{\dagger}_{i\downarrow} \end{array}\right),$$

and performing the Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation for the pairing, density (singlet) and magnetic (triplet) interaction channels, we obtain an effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i} \psi_{i}^{\dagger} (\partial_{\tau} 1 - \mu \sigma_{z}) \psi_{i} - t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \psi_{i}^{\dagger} \sigma_{z} \psi_{j} + \text{H.c.}$$
$$-i \sum_{i} [\Phi_{i}^{R} (\psi_{i}^{\dagger} \sigma_{x} \psi_{i}) + \Phi_{i}^{I} (\psi_{i}^{\dagger} \sigma_{y} \psi_{i}) + \varphi_{i} (\psi_{i}^{\dagger} \sigma_{z} \psi_{i})]$$
$$+ \frac{3}{2U \kappa_{c}} \sum_{i} [(\Phi_{i}^{R})^{2} + (\Phi_{i}^{I})^{2} + (\varphi_{i})^{2}]$$
$$+ \frac{1}{2U \kappa_{s}} \sum_{i} m_{i}^{2} - \sum_{i} m_{i} (\psi_{i}^{\dagger} \psi_{i}). \quad (2)$$

Here, $\Phi_i^{R(I)}$ and φ_i are associated with pairingfluctuation and density-excitation potentials, introduced to decouple the charge channel. m_i is an effective magnetic field, which decouples the spin channel. κ_c and κ_s are introduced for decoupling between singlet and triplet interactions in respect that we do not know how they become renormalized at low energies. One may regard these two decoupling coefficients as phenomenological parameters to overcome the mean-field approximation. Several examples for decoupling are shown in appendix A. The SU(2) slave-rotor representation¹¹ means to write down an electron field as a composite field in terms of a charge-neutral spinon field and a spinless holon field

$$\psi_i = Z_i^{\dagger} F_i, \tag{3}$$

where $F_i = \begin{pmatrix} f_{i\uparrow} \\ f_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix}$ is a fermion operator in the Nambu representation, and Z_i is an SU(2) matrix

$$Z_{i} = \begin{pmatrix} z_{i\uparrow} & -z_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} \\ z_{i\downarrow} & z_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (4)

Here, $z_{i\sigma}$ is a boson operator, satisfying the unimodular (rotor) constraint, $z_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} z_{i\uparrow} + z_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} z_{i\downarrow} = 1$.

The key point of the slave-rotor representation¹⁹ is to extract out collective charge dynamics explicitly from correlated electrons. Such charge fluctuations are identified with zero sound modes in the case of short range interactions while plasmon modes in the case of long range interactions. Actually, one can check that the dispersion of the rotor variable $(z_{i\uparrow})$ is exactly the same as that of such collective charge excitations.

In the slave-rotor theory the Mott transition is described by gapping of rotor excitations.¹⁹ Until now, the Mott transition has not been achieved successfully, based on the diagrammatic approach starting from the Fermi liquid theory. In this respect the slave-rotor theory can be regarded as an effective field theory, not bad for the Mott transition.

Resorting to the SU(2) slave rotor representation in Eq. (3), we rewrite the effective Lagrangian Eq. (2) as follows

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_F + \mathcal{L}_Z, \tag{5}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \operatorname{Tr}[X_{ij}Y_{ij}^{\dagger} + Y_{ij}X_{ij}^{\dagger}] + \frac{1}{2U\kappa_s} \sum_i m_i^2, \quad (6)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{F} = \sum_{i} F_{i}^{\dagger}(\partial_{\tau} 1 - i\mathbf{\Omega}_{i} \cdot \sigma)F_{i}$$
$$-t\sum_{\langle ij \rangle} (F_{i}^{\dagger}X_{ij}F_{j} + \text{H.c.}) - \sum_{i} m_{i}(F_{i}^{\dagger}F_{i}), \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{Z}} = \frac{3}{4U\kappa_c} \sum_i \operatorname{Tr}[\mathbf{\Omega}_i \cdot \sigma - iZ_i \partial_\tau Z_i^{\dagger} + i\mu Z_i \sigma_z Z_i^{\dagger}]^2 -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \operatorname{Tr}[Z_i \sigma^z Z_j^{\dagger} Y_{ij}^{\dagger} + \text{H.c.}].$$
(8)

It is not difficult to see equivalence between the SU(2) slave-rotor effective Lagrangian and the decoupled Hubbard model [Eq. (2)]. Integrating over field variables of X_{ij} and Y_{ij} , and shifting $\Omega_i \cdot \sigma$ as

$$\mathbf{\Omega}_i \cdot \sigma + i Z_i \partial_\tau Z_i^\dagger - i \mu Z_i \sigma_z Z_i^\dagger$$

where $\Omega_i = (\Phi_i^R, \Phi_i^I, \varphi_i)$ is the pseudospin potential field, we recover Eq. (2) exactly with an introduction of an



FIG. 1: Graphene. A distance between two next nearest neighbor sites is chosen as the length unit. \mathbf{a}_1 and \mathbf{a}_2 are primitive translation vectors. δ_1 , δ_2 , and δ_3 are three nearest neighbor bonds.

electron field $Z_i^{\dagger} F_i \rightarrow \psi_i$. This procedure is well described in the previous study.¹¹ An important feature in the SU(2) slave-rotor description is appearance of pairing correlations between nearest neighbor electrons, given by off diagonal hopping in X_{ij} which results from on-site pairing (virtual) fluctuations, captured by the off diagonal variable $z_{i\downarrow}$ of the SU(2) matrix field Z_i . We note that the diagonal rotor field $z_{i\uparrow}$ corresponds to the zero sound mode, giving rise to the Mott transition via gapping of their fluctuations. The additional boson rotor variable $z_{i\downarrow}$ allows us to catch super-exchange correlations in the Mott transition. But, the appearance of pairing correlations.

tions does not necessarily lead to superconductivity because their global coherence, described by condensation of SU(2) matrix holons, is not guaranteed. The similar situation happens in the SU(2) slave-boson theory¹² of the t-J model.

B. Mean-field ansatz

We perform the mean-field analysis, taking the following ansatz

$$X_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} w_{\delta} & v_{\delta}^* \\ v_{\delta} & -w_{\delta}^* \end{pmatrix} \cdot \sigma_z, \tag{9}$$

$$Y_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \widetilde{w}_{\delta} & \widetilde{v}_{\delta}^* \\ \widetilde{v}_{\delta} & -\widetilde{w}_{\delta}^* \end{pmatrix} \cdot \sigma_z, \tag{10}$$

where δ denotes the bond between the nearest neighbor sites. In the honeycomb lattice there are three nearest neighbor bonds. We choose $w_{\delta} = w\gamma_{\delta}$, $v_{\delta} = v\zeta_{\delta}$, $\tilde{w}_{\delta} = \tilde{w}\gamma_{\delta}$, and $\tilde{v}_{\delta} = \tilde{v}\zeta_{\delta}$, where γ_{δ} and ζ_{δ} are symmetric factors for the hopping parameter w (\tilde{w}) and the pairing order parameter v (\tilde{v}). The choice for γ_{δ} and ζ_{δ} depends on the symmetry of the considered phase. For example, the s-wave pairing symmetry is given by $\zeta_{\delta} = (1, 1, 1)$, the $d_{x^2-y^2}$ -wave symmetry $\zeta_{\delta} = (-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 1)$, and the d_{xy} wave symmetry $\zeta_{\delta} = (-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0)$. For the magnetic order parameter m_i we choose an antiferromagnetic ansatz $m_i = (-1)^i m$.

Particle-hole symmetry at half filling results in $\mu + i\varphi_i = 0$ while pairing potentials of Φ_i^R and Φ_i^I vanish in the mean-field level. Then, we obtain a general expression for the free energy

$$\mathcal{F} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k},i\omega} \log[(i\omega)^2 - t^2 w^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| + m)^2] - \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k},i\omega} \log[(i\omega)^2 - t^2 w^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| - m)^2] + \frac{2}{\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k},i\nu} \log[(-\frac{3}{4\kappa_c U} (i\nu)^2 + \lambda)^2 - 4t^2 \widetilde{w}^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 - 4t^2 \widetilde{v}^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2] + 4tN \sum_{\delta} (w\widetilde{w}|\gamma_{\delta}|^2 + v\widetilde{v}|\zeta_{\delta}|^2) + \frac{N}{2\kappa_s U} m^2 - N\lambda,$$
(11)

where $\gamma(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\delta} \gamma_{\delta} \exp(i\mathbf{r}_{\delta} \cdot \mathbf{k})$ is the energy dispersion for spinons and holons, and $\zeta(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\delta} \zeta_{\delta} \exp(i\mathbf{r}_{\delta} \cdot \mathbf{k})$ is associated with the pairing potential. \sum_{δ} is performed in the unit cell. λ is a Lagrange multiplier field, introduced to keep the slave-rotor constraint. N is the total number of sites.

Minimizing the free energy, we obtain fully self-consistent equations for order parameters

$$\widetilde{w} \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^{2} = -\frac{2tw}{4N\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k},i\omega} \left[\frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{(i\omega)^{2} - t^{2}w^{2}|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| + m)^{2}} + \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{(i\omega)^{2} - t^{2}w^{2}|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| - m)^{2}} \right], \quad (12)$$

$$\widetilde{v}\sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^{2} = -\frac{2}{4N\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k},i\omega} \left[\frac{(tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|+m)|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|}{(i\omega)^{2} - t^{2}w^{2}|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|+m)^{2}} + \frac{(tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|-m)|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|}{(i\omega)^{2} - t^{2}w^{2}|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|-m)^{2}} \right], \quad (13)$$

$$w\sum_{\delta}|\gamma_{\delta}|^{2} = \frac{4t\widetilde{w}}{N}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{(-\frac{3}{4\kappa_{c}U}(i\nu)^{2}+\lambda)^{2}-4t^{2}\widetilde{w}^{2}|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}-4t^{2}\widetilde{v}^{2}|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}},$$
(14)

$$v\sum_{\delta}|\zeta_{\delta}|^{2} = \frac{4t\widetilde{v}}{N}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{(-\frac{3}{4\kappa_{c}U}(i\nu)^{2}+\lambda)^{2}-4t^{2}\widetilde{w}^{2}|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}-4t^{2}\widetilde{v}^{2}|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}},$$
(15)

$$m = -\frac{2\kappa_s U}{N\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k},i\omega} \frac{tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| + m}{(i\omega)^2 - t^2 w^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| + m)^2} + \frac{2\kappa_s U}{N\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k},i\omega} \frac{tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| - m}{(i\omega)^2 - t^2 w^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 - (tv|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| - m)^2}, \quad (16)$$

$$1 = \frac{4}{N\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, i\nu} \frac{(-\frac{3}{4\kappa_c U}(i\nu)^2 + \lambda)}{(-\frac{3}{4\kappa_c U}(i\nu)^2 + \lambda)^2 - 4t^2 \widetilde{w}^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 - 4t^2 \widetilde{v}^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}.$$
(17)

In this study our objective is to reveal the phase structure of the Hubbard model on the honeycomb lattice. It is convenient to take the zero temperature limit. Performing the Matsubara frequency summation, we obtain selfconsistent mean-field equations at zero temperature

$$\widetilde{w}\sum_{\delta}|\gamma_{\delta}|^{2} = \frac{w}{8N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{D(\mathbf{k},m)} + \frac{w}{8N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{D(\mathbf{k},-m)},\tag{18}$$

$$\widetilde{v}\sum_{\delta}|\zeta_{\delta}|^{2} = \frac{1}{8N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{(v|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| + \frac{m}{t})|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|}{D(\mathbf{k},m)} + \frac{1}{8N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{(v|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| - \frac{m}{t})|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|}{D(\mathbf{k},-m)},\tag{19}$$

$$w\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_b U}{3}} \frac{\widetilde{w}}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{E(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda - 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda + 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} \right),\tag{20}$$

$$v\sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_b U}{3}} \frac{\widetilde{v}}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{E(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda - 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda + 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} \right),\tag{21}$$

$$m = \frac{\kappa_s U}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{v|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| + \frac{m}{t}}{D(\mathbf{k},m)} - \frac{\kappa_s U}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{v|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| - \frac{m}{t}}{D(\mathbf{k},-m)},\tag{22}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_b U}{3}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda - 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda + 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} \right), \tag{23}$$

where

$$E(\mathbf{k}) = \sqrt{\widetilde{w}^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{v}^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}, \qquad (24)$$

$$D(\mathbf{k}, m) = \sqrt{w^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + (v|\zeta(\mathbf{k})| + \frac{m}{t})^2}$$
(25)

are holon, spinon energy spectra in the presence of pairing and antiferromagnetism, respectively.

Considering symmetry, it is natural to take into account spatially uniform hopping

$$|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 = 3 + 2\cos(k_y) + 4\cos(\frac{1}{2}k_y)\cos(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}k_x).$$
 (26)

On the other hand, the *s*-wave pairing potential is not allowed due to repulsive interactions. Counting the lattice symmetry of the honeycomb structure, the next candidate will be $d_{x^2-y^2}$ or d_{xy} for nearest neighbor singlet pairing¹⁸. We introduce a general combination of $d_{x^2-y^2}$ and d_{xy} -wave pairing for the pairing term $\zeta(\mathbf{k})$

$$|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2 = |\cos(\theta)\zeta_{x^2 - y^2}(\mathbf{k}) + i\sin(\theta)\zeta_{xy}(\mathbf{k})|^2, \quad (27)$$

where θ is a combination factor, and $\zeta_{x^2-y^2}$ (ζ_{xy}) is the $d_{x^2-y^2}$ (d_{xy}) -wave symmetry function. For $\theta = \pi/3$ this pairing symmetry becomes d + id'. We also consider the d + d'-wave pairing symmetry

$$|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2 = |\cos(\theta)\zeta_{x^2 - y^2}(\mathbf{k}) + \sin(\theta)\zeta_{xy}(\mathbf{k})|^2, \quad (28)$$

but this pairing order turns out to be not a solution of the mean-field equations. If one tunes κ_c and κ_s parameters,

he can make this pairing symmetry a solution. However, this solution does not give the lowest free energy, compared with the d + id' pairing solution, consistent with earlier studies.^{17,18}

symmetry factor $\gamma_{\delta} = (1, 1, 1)$, the condensation occurs when the effective chemical potential given by the Lagrange multiplier field λ touches the maximum point of the holon dispersion, i.e., $\lambda_c = 2t\widetilde{w}_c \max |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| = 6t\widetilde{w}_c$. These collective charge excitations become gapped when $\lambda > \lambda_c$, and a Mott insulating state appears.

III. SADDLE-POINT ANALYSIS

A. From semi-metal to algebraic spin liquid

The semi-metal phase is described by condensation of holons $\langle z_{\sigma} \rangle \neq 0$ with $v = \tilde{v} = m = 0$. Considering the

Taking $\lambda = \lambda_c$ with $v = \tilde{v} = m = 0$, we can determine the quantum critical point from the following mean-field equations

$$\widetilde{w}_c \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|, \qquad (29)$$

$$w_c \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_c}{6t \widetilde{w}_c}} \frac{1}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3 - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right),\tag{30}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_c}{6t\tilde{w}_c}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3 - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} \right).$$
(31)

Inserting \tilde{w}_c from Eq. (29) into Eq. (31), one obtains the critical value for the interaction strength

$$\frac{\kappa_c U_c}{t} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|}{\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 \left[\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3 - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3 + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} \right) \right]^2} = 0.312.$$
(32)

It is interesting to notice that the resulting paramagnetic Mott insulator has all kinds of lattice symmetries. In particular, spin dynamics is described by gapless spinons. An effective field theory for spinon dynamics was proposed to be an SU(2) gauge theory with Dirac fermions.¹³

It is not at all straightforward to understand dynamics of such gapless spinons due to complexity of the SU(2) gauge theory. It has been shown that an interacting stable fixed point arises in the large- N_f limit,¹³ where N_f is the number of fermion flavors. Such a conformal invariant fixed point was also shown to appear in the U(1) gauge theory with gapless Dirac fermions.²⁰ An interesting property of the stable fixed point is that the symmetry of the original microscopic model, here the Hubbard model, is enhanced, associated with special transformation properties of Dirac spinors.^{14,15} As a result, spin-spin correlations at an antiferromagnetic wave vector have exactly the same power-law dependence as valence bond-valence bond correlations, which means that the scaling dimension of the staggered spin operator is the same as that of the valence bond operator.¹⁶ This situation is completely unusual because scaling dimensions of these two operators cannot be the same in the level of the microscopic model.

It is clear that one direct way to verify the algebraic spin liquid state is to observe the symmetry enhancement at low energies. If the staggered-spin correlation function turns out to display the same power-law behavior as the valence-bond correlation function, this will be an undisputable evidence for the algebraic spin liquid phase between the semi-metal phase and gapped spin liquid state. In the recent quantum Monte Carlo simulation data there seems to be uncertainty between the semi-metal phase and the gapped spin liquid state because such a simulation should be performed at finite temperatures. But, calculations for correlation functions need not be done at zero temperature. It is sufficient to show equivalent correlation behaviors in the quantum critical region at finite temperatures.

B. From algebraic spin liquid to \mathbb{Z}_2 spin liquid

Increasing $\frac{\kappa_c U}{t}$ more from the semi-metal to algebraic spin liquid critical point $\frac{\kappa_c U_c}{t}$, we find another paramagnetic Mott insulating phase with a spin gap. The algebraic spin liquid to gapped spin liquid critical point is found with an ansatz of $v = \tilde{v} = 0$ but $v/\tilde{v} \equiv \vartheta \neq 0$. We

obtain the mean-field equations at the critical point

$$\widetilde{w}_v \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|, \qquad (33)$$

$$\frac{1}{\vartheta_v} \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4w_v} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|},\tag{34}$$

$$w_v \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_v}{6t\widetilde{w}_c}} \frac{1}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_v - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_v + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right),\tag{35}$$

$$\vartheta_v \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_v}{6t \widetilde{w}_v}} \frac{1}{2\widetilde{w}_v N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\gamma(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_v - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_v + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right),\tag{36}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_v}{6t\tilde{w}_v}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_v - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_v + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} \right), \tag{37}$$

where $\lambda_v = 2t \widetilde{w}_v \widetilde{\lambda}_v$ is redefined.

The strategy for the critical interaction strength is to solve Eq. (37) with \tilde{w}_v from Eq. (33). The point is how to find $\tilde{\lambda}_v$ from other equations. This procedure is well shown in appendix B.

Numerically, we find that the free energy reaches the lowest value for the d + id' pairing symmetry. The critical value turns out to be $\kappa_c U_v/t = 0.315$. Note that $U_v > U_c$. This intermediate phase between the semimetal and gapped spin liquid is the algebraic spin liquid with an enhanced symmetry, as discussed in the previous subsection. We would like to emphasize that this region of $U_c < U < U_v$ is not wide at zero temperature. But, the quantum critical region at finite temperatures will not be so narrow, and it will not be so difficult to verify the algebraic spin liquid, considering staggered-spin correlations and valence-bond correlations.

The nature of the gapped spin liquid state is the d+id'singlet pairing order within our SU(2) slave-rotor theory, where only nearest neighbor correlations are introduced. Because this pairing state breaks time reversal symmetry, our Z₂ spin liquid state is certainly in contrast with the quantum Monte Carlo simulation result,⁵ where the gapped spin liquid state preserves time reversal symmetry. In order to overcome this inconsistency, we propose d-id' singlet pairing to the other valley. Then, the edge state from the d + id' pairing in one valley is cancelled by that from the d - id' pairing in the other valley, preserving time reversal symmetry. One may regard this cancellation of such edge states as anomaly cancellation due to fermion doubling in condensed matter physics.²¹

We propose the Josephson coupling effect between two valleys as the mechanism for different phases in the singlet pairing order. An important point is that the two valleys are apart in the momentum space. Thus, the Josephson coupling needs the corresponding finite momentum. If singlet pairs in these two valleys have the same phase, this Josephson coupling effect cancels the Josephson current. On the other hand, if the d + id'pairing is assigned to one valley and the d - id' pairing is taken to the other valley, the Josephson current will be maximized. We believe that this quantum process will lower the ground state energy than that of the time reversal symmetry broken state. Of course, this quantum process is beyond the saddle-point analysis of the SU(2) slave-rotor theory.

This pairing state can be verified by the quantized thermal valley Hall effect.^{22–24} The spinon number is not conserved due to particle-particle pairing, thus the charge Hall conductivity is not useful. On the other hand, both spin and energy (thermal) Hall coefficients are important probes. But, the spin Hall conductivity vanishes due to the different assignment between two valleys. The thermal valley Hall effect should be observed in this state, regarded as the fingerprint of our Z₂ spin liquid phase. This can be verified by the quantum Monte Carlo simulation without serious difficulty.

It should be noted that our time reversal symmetry preserving Z_2 spin liquid state is beyond the classification scheme based on the projective symmetry group because

their possible Z₂ spin liquids in the projective symmetry group are constrained with complete time reversal symmetric pairing.^{6,7} In other words, $d \pm id'$ singlet pairing orders are excluded from the first although these pairing orders are not only found but also argued to be stable in recent studies.^{17,18}

C. From \mathbb{Z}_2 spin liquid to antiferromagnetic Mott insulator

Our last subject is to investigate the quantum phase transition from the Z_2 spin liquid to the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator. Here, we should take into account two order parameters such as the $d \pm id'$ pairing and antiferromagnetic ones. Generically, we expect four pos-

sibilities. The first candidate is coexistence between such two orders, where the two critical lines cross each other. As a result, we have two critical points inside each phase. The second possibility is the multi-critical point, where the two critical points meet at one point. The third situation will be the first order transition between them. The last corresponds to an intermediate state without any ordering, where the two critical points do not meet. First of all, we can exclude the last possibility because this phase is nothing but the algebraic spin liquid and there is no reason for this reentrant behavior.

We start to examine the possibility of coexistence. The antiferromagnetic critical point inside the Z₂ spin liquid phase can be determined by m = 0 while v and \tilde{v} are finite, thus determined self-consistently. The mean field equations at this transition point are given by

$$\widetilde{w}_m \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{w_m |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{w_m^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + v_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}},\tag{38}$$

$$\widetilde{v}_m \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{v_m |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{w_m^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + v_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}},\tag{39}$$

$$w_m \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_m}{3}} \frac{\widetilde{w}_m}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{E(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_m - 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_m + 2tE(\mathbf{k})}}\right),\tag{40}$$

$$v_m \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_b U_m}{3}} \frac{\widetilde{v}_m}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{E(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_m - 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_m + 2tE(\mathbf{k})}}\right),\tag{41}$$

$$1 = \frac{\kappa_s U_m}{t} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{w_m^2 |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + v_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}},\tag{42}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_m}{3}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_m - 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_m + 2tE(\mathbf{k})}} \right).$$
(43)

Introducing $x_m = v_m/w_m$ and $\tilde{x}_m = \tilde{v}_m/\tilde{w}_m$, we rewrite the above equations as

$$\widetilde{w}_m \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}},\tag{44}$$

$$\widetilde{v}_m \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{x_m |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}},\tag{45}$$

$$w_m \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_m}{6t \widetilde{w}_m}} \frac{1}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}\right),$$
(46)

$$w_m \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_m}{6t \widetilde{w}_m}} \frac{\widetilde{x}_m}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}\right),$$
(47)

$$1 = \frac{\kappa_s U_m}{t w_m} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}},\tag{48}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_m}{6t\tilde{w}_m}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m} - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m} + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \right),\tag{49}$$

where $\lambda_m = 2t \widetilde{w}_m \widetilde{\lambda}_m$ is redefined.

The strategy is how to reduce the number of selfconsistent equations. Following the procedure in appendix C-1, we obtain two self-consistent equations for two unknown variables, x_m and $\tilde{\lambda}_m$. These equations can be solved numerically. We fix x_m first, and solve these two equations for $\tilde{\lambda}_m$. Then, we obtain two functions, $\tilde{\lambda}_m$ of x_m . When two lines of these functions intersect, we obtain the solution of such equations. Once x_m and $\tilde{\lambda}_m$ are determined, the critical value of U_m is also found from Eq. (48). For the first ($\kappa_c = 1$, $\kappa_s = 1$) and third ($\kappa_c = 3/2$, $\kappa_s = 1/2$) decomposition schemes in appendix A, we could show that there are no mean field solutions at the transition point. On the other hand, we find $U_m/t = 0.360$ in the case of the d + id' pairing symmetry for the second decomposition scheme ($\kappa_c = 1$, $\kappa_s = 1/2$).

The Z₂ spin liquid critical point inside the antiferromagnetic phase can be found when $v = \tilde{v} = 0$ but *m* is finite, determined self-consistently. The mean field equations at this critical point are given by

$$\widetilde{w}_a \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + (\frac{m_a}{tw_a})^2}},\tag{50}$$

$$\frac{1}{\vartheta_a} \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{4w_a N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + (\frac{m_a}{tw_a})^2}},\tag{51}$$

$$w_a \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_a}{6t \widetilde{w}_a}} \frac{1}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_a - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_a + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right),\tag{52}$$

$$\vartheta_a \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_a}{6t \widetilde{w}_a}} \frac{1}{2\widetilde{w}_a N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\gamma(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_a - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_a + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right),\tag{53}$$

$$1 = \frac{\kappa_s U_a}{t w_a} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + (\frac{m_a}{t w_a})^2}},\tag{54}$$

$$1 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_c U_a}{6t\tilde{w}_a}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_a - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_a + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} \right),\tag{55}$$

where $\lambda_a = 2t \widetilde{w}_a \widetilde{\lambda}_a$ is redefined. We solve these equa-

tions basically in the same way as the previous case.

First, we reduce the system of six equations into two equations of two unknown variables, and solve the two equations numerically. See appendix C-2.

Equations (C11) and (C13) are the last two equations determining $\tilde{\lambda}_a$ and m_a/tw_a . We fix m_a/tw_a first, and solve the two equations for $\tilde{\lambda}_a$ numerically. Then, we obtain two functions, $\tilde{\lambda}_a$ of m_a/tw_a . When two lines of $\tilde{\lambda}_a$ and m_a/tw_a intersect, we find the solution of these equations. However, we could not find any solution.

However, if the phase transition from the semi-metal to the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator is concerned, we find that the critical point occurs at $U_m/t = 0.330$ for the second decomposition scheme ($\kappa_c = 1$, $\kappa_s = 1/2$). This demonstration confirms the existence of our Z₂ spin liquid state between the algebraic spin liquid and antiferromagnetic Mott insulator.

Our analysis for the quantum phase transition from the Z_2 spin liquid to the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator shows that the nature of this transition depends on our phenomenological parameters of κ_c and κ_s . We could find the antiferromagnetic quantum critical point inside the Z_2 spin liquid state for particular values of κ_c and κ_s while we could not obtain the Z₂ spin liquid quantum critical point inside the antiferromagnetic Mott insulating phase. We could not find the multi-critical point solution, either. As mentioned before, it is difficult to expect the algebraic spin liquid solution between the Z_2 spin liquid and antiferromagnetic phases. Actually, we could find only one solution for the Z_2 spin liquid to algebraic spin liquid transition, given by the previous subsection. The remaining possibility is the first order transition between the Z_2 spin liquid and antiferromagnetic Mott insulator. We believe that the first order transition is the generic case for the phase transition between these two phases. The formal procedure will be to integrate over spinons and holons and to obtain an effective Landau-Ginzburg-Wilson free energy functional for both $d \pm id'$ spin singlet pairing and antiferromagnetic order parameters. Based on the effective field theory, we can perform the renormalization group analysis and find the nature of the phase transition. This study is beyond the scope of the present study.

One may ask the possibility of the Landau-Ginzburg-Wilson forbidden continuous transition between the Z_2 spin liquid with the $d\pm id'$ pairing symmetry and the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator. Classification of Landau-Ginzburg-Wilson forbidden continuous transitions in two spatial dimensions has been performed in Ref. 25. Investigating the classification table carefully, we can find that this transition does not belong to any cases. The main reason is that the singlet pairing order parameter cannot be symmetrically equivalent to the antiferromagnetic order parameter. The classification scheme reveals that the Néel order parameter can form a hyper-vector with a triplet pairing order parameter. In this respect we are allowed to exclude the possibility of the Landau-Ginzburg-Wilson forbidden continuous transition between the Z_2 spin liquid and the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator.

IV. DISCUSSION AND SUMMARY

In this paper we investigated the phase structure of the Hubbard model on the honeycomb lattice. Physics of one dimensional interacting electrons is our reference. As well known, even if we start from weak interactions, they become enhanced at low energies, destabilizing the Fermi liquid state. In one dimension such quantum corrections can be summed exactly, resorting to the Ward identity.²⁶ The resulting electron Green's function shows two kinds of branch cuts, corresponding to collective charge and spin excitations. In this diagrammatic approach it is difficult to see the nature of such fractionalized excitations. But, the bosonization approach is helpful at low energies, revealing that spinons and holons are identified with topological solitons such as domain walls.³ One can interpret this phenomenon in another respect that topological solitons acquire fermion quantum numbers via fermion zero modes, regarded as realization of quantum anomaly.⁴ We believe that the spin-charge separation in one dimensional interacting electrons results from not only just interaction effects but also hidden topological properties of Dirac fermions. Then, the next natural question is whether we can find this physics in higher dimensions.

The graphene structure is an ideal system for realization of Dirac fermions. The first observation in this Dirac fermion system is that the vanishing density of states needs a finite value of the interaction strength U for an antiferromagnetic order to be achieved. Then, the question is whether we can find intermediate phases between the semi-metal and antiferromagnetic Mott insulator, allowing fractionalized excitations as one dimensional interacting electrons. Indeed, we could find two kinds of paramagnetic Mott insulating phases, which show fractionalized excitations.

The algebraic spin liquid appears from the semi-metal state via the Higgs transition, gapping of charge fluctuations. Although it is not clear how the topological nature of Dirac fermions is introduced to result in such a spin liquid state, spinon excitations in the algebraic spin liquid can be identified with topological excitations cor-



FIG. 2: Schematic phase diagram. Abbreviations: SM is the semi-metal phase, ASL is the algebraic spin liquid, GSL is the gapped spin liquid, coex is coexistence of the gapped spin liquid and antiferromagnetism, and AFM is antiferromagnetism. The SM-ASL and ASL-GSL quantum phase transitions belong to the second order while the GSL-AFM quantum phase transition is the first order.

responding to meron (half skyrmion) excitations.²⁷ The underlying mechanism is that the symmetry of the original microscopic model is enhanced at low energies, allowing a topological term to assign a fermion quantum number to such a topological excitation. The algebraic spin liquid turns out to have an O(5) symmetry in the physical case, where antiferromagentic correlations exhibit the same power-law dependence for distance as valence-bond correlations.^{14–16} It was pointed out that the corresponding effective field theory would be given by an O(5) Wess-Zumino-Witten theory,¹⁶ identifying spinons with such topological excitations. Comparing the algebraic spin liguid with the Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid, there is one to one correspondence between them except that charge excitations are critical in the Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid. Actually, spin dynamics in one dimension is governed by the O(4) Wess-Zumino-Witten theory,³ describing critical dynamics of spinons.

Because the stability of the algebraic spin liquid is not guaranteed beyond the large- N_f limit, we proposed how the quantum Monte Carlo simulation can prove the existence of such a phase. As discussed before, the symmetry enhancement can be verified, calculating both antiferromagnetic and valence-bond correlations at finite temperatures. If such correlations turn out to have the same scaling behavior, we have the algebraic spin liquid phase just beside the semi-metal state.

When interactions are increased more, pairing correlations between nearest neighbor sites become enhanced in the singlet channel, destabilizing the algebraic spin liquid. As a result, spinon excitations are gapped due to their pairing orders. An interesting point is that the nature of this gapped spin liquid state is given by the d + id' singlet pairing order, which breaks time reversal symmetry. We would like to emphasize that time reversal symmetric combinations based on the *d*-wave pairing symmetry turn out to give higher energies than the d + id' pairing order. We suspect that this time reversal symmetry breaking may be related with the Berry phase effect of the momentum space.²⁸ One way to verify this statement is to check how the d + id' pairing symmetry is changed, increasing the chemical potential from the Dirac point, where the Berry phase effect becomes weaken. Unfortunately, the quantum Monte Carlo simulation claimed that there is no time reversal symmetry breaking in the gapped spin liquid state. This inconsistency was resolved, taking d - id' pairing to another valley. As a result, the edge state from the d+id' pairing is cancelled by that from the d - id' one. We proposed the Josephson coupling effect between two valleys, which stabilizes this phase difference. Because this argument is beyond the present saddle-point analysis, we suggested an experimental signature, that is, the quantized thermal valley Hall effect as the fingerprint of this gapped spin liquid.

Finally, we investigated the quantum phase transition from the Z_2 spin liquid to the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator. We concluded that the first order transition will take place generically. We argue that this first order transition is involved with two symmetrically unrelated order parameters, displaying different discrete symmetry properties, here time reversal symmetry. We claim that the Landau-Ginzburg-Wilson forbidden continuous transition between these two phases will not appear, based on the existing classification scheme in the two dimensional Dirac theory on the honeycomb lattice.²⁵

Before closing, we would like to point out that the SU(2) slave-rotor theory seems to overestimate quantum fluctuations. If one sets κ_c as the order of 1, the critical strength of the Mott transition is the order of 10^{-1} for the critical value, compared with that from the quantum Monte Carlo simulation. This overestimation originates from strong band renormalization for spinons and holons, given by effective hopping integrals, X_{ij} and Y_{ij} . Qualitatively the same situation also happens in the U(1) slave-rotor theory¹³ while the SU(2) slave-rotor theory seems to overestimate quantum fluctuations more. We believe that this aspect should be investigated more sincerely.

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Appendix A: Decoupling scheme

We discuss several decoupling schemes. The first example is

$$2H_U = \frac{U}{6} \sum_i (\psi_i^{\dagger} \sigma_x \psi_i)^2 + \frac{U}{6} \sum_i (\psi_i^{\dagger} \sigma_y \psi_i)^2 + \frac{U}{6} \sum_i (\sum_{\sigma} n_{i\sigma} - 1)^2 + \frac{U}{6} \sum_i (\sum_{\sigma} n_{i\sigma} - 1) - \frac{U}{2} \sum_{i\sigma} (\sigma c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma})^2 + \frac{U}{2} \sum_{i\sigma} n_{i\sigma}.$$
(A1)

Formally, this magnetic decoupling does not correspond to the conventional Hartree-Fock analysis for antiferromagnetism because the interaction strength is twice larger the standard mean field value.

The second possible decoupling is

$$2H_U = \frac{U}{6} \sum_{i} (\psi_i^{\dagger} \sigma_x \psi_i)^2 + \frac{U}{6} \sum_{i} (\psi_i^{\dagger} \sigma_y \psi_i)^2 + \frac{U}{6} \sum_{i} (\sum_{\sigma} n_{i\sigma} - 1)^2 + \frac{U}{6} \sum_{i} (\sum_{\sigma} n_{i\sigma} - 1) + \frac{U}{4} \sum_{i} [(\sum_{\sigma} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma})^2 - (\sum_{\sigma} \sigma c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma})^2].$$
(A2)

This decoupling recovers the standard mean field theory for antiferromagnetism, but the coefficient of the term $\sum_{i} (\sum_{\sigma} n_{i\sigma} - 1)^2$ is $\frac{5}{12}U$, not equal to the coefficient of the term $\sum_{i} (\psi_i^{\dagger} \sigma_x \psi_i)^2$.

The third possible decoupling is

$$2H_U = \frac{U}{4} \sum_i (\psi_i^{\dagger} \sigma_x \psi_i)^2 + \frac{U}{4} \sum_i (\psi_i^{\dagger} \sigma_y \psi_i)^2 + \frac{U}{4} \sum_i [(\sum_{\sigma} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma})^2 - (\sum_{\sigma} \sigma c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma})^2].$$
(A3)

The third decoupling scheme seems natural, but we introduce phenomenological parameters κ_c and κ_s .

Appendix B: The algebraic spin liquid to \mathbb{Z}_2 spin liquid critical point

From Eqs. (35) and (37) we obtain

$$w_{v} = \frac{\frac{1}{2N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}{\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^{2} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}.$$
 (B1)

Inserting Eq. (B1) into Eq. (34), we get

$$\vartheta_{v} = \frac{2\sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^{2}}{\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^{2} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|}} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}.$$
(B2)

From Eqs. (36) and (37) we obtain

$$\vartheta_{v} \sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^{2} = \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\gamma(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} \right)}{2\widetilde{w}_{v} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} \right)}.$$
(B3)

Equations (B2) and (B3) with \widetilde{w}_v from Eq. (33) give

$$\frac{\left[\sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^{2}\right]^{2}}{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|}} = \frac{\left[\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^{2}\right]^{2}}{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\gamma(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{v} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{v} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}.$$
(B4)

This equation determines $\tilde{\lambda}_v$. Once we find $\tilde{\lambda}_v$, we can obtain the critical value from Eq. (37) together with Eq. (33), given by

$$\frac{\kappa_c U_v}{t} = \frac{3\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})|}{2\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 \left[\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_v - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_v + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)\right]^2}.$$
(B5)

Appendix C: To analyze the quantum phase transition from the \mathbb{Z}_2 spin liquid to the antiferromagnetic Mott insulator

1. To find the antiferromagnetic quantum critical point inside the \mathbf{Z}_2 spin liquid state

From Eqs. (44) and (45) we get

$$\widetilde{x}_m \frac{\sum\limits_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2}{\sum\limits_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2} = x_m \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum\limits_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum\limits_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}.$$
(C1)

Similarly, Equations (46) and (47) give

$$x_m \frac{\sum\limits_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2}{\sum\limits_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2} = \widetilde{x}_m \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum\limits_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}\right)}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum\limits_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \widetilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}\right).$$
(C2)

From Eqs. (46) and (49) we obtain

$$w_m \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} \right)}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} \right).$$
(C3)

Taking both sides of Eq. (46) to the square power with \widetilde{w}_m from Eq. (44), we obtain

$$w_m \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{\kappa_c U_m}{6tw_m} \frac{\left[\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}\right)\right]^2}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}$$
(C4)

Inserting U_m/w_m from Eq. (48) into this equation, we obtain

$$w_m \sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2 = \frac{\kappa_c}{6\kappa_s} \frac{\left[\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}\right)\right]^2}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}.$$
 (C5)

Equations (C3), (C4), and (C5) give us

$$\frac{\kappa_c}{3\kappa_s} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} \right) \\
= \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m - \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_m + \sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + \tilde{x}_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}} \right)}.$$
(C6)

Inserting

$$\widetilde{x}_m = x_m \frac{\sum\limits_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^2}{\sum\limits_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^2} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum\limits_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum\limits_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + x_m^2 |\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^2}}}$$
(C7)

from Eq. (C1) into Eqs. (C2) and (C6), we obtain two self-consistent equations for two unknown variables, x_m and $\tilde{\lambda}_m$.

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From Eqs. (52) and (55) we get

$$w_{a} = \frac{1}{2\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}.$$
(C8)

Equations (53) and (55) together with \tilde{w}_a from Eq. (50) give

$$\vartheta_{a} = \frac{1}{2\widetilde{w}_{a}\sum_{\delta}|\zeta_{\delta}|^{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\gamma(\mathbf{k})}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}-\gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}+\gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}-\gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}+\gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}$$
$$= \frac{2\sum_{\delta}|\gamma_{\delta}|^{2}}{\sum_{\delta}|\zeta_{\delta}|^{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\gamma(\mathbf{k})}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}-\gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}+\gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}{\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} + (\frac{m_{a}}{tw_{a}})^{2}}}\frac{1}{N/2}\sum_{\mathbf{k}}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}-\gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\widetilde{\lambda}_{a}+\gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}.$$
(C9)

From Eqs. (51) and (C8) we obtain

$$\vartheta_{a} = \frac{2\sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^{2}}{\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} + (\frac{m_{a}}{tw_{a}})^{2}}} \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}.$$
(C10)

Equations (C9) and (C10) leads to

$$\frac{\left[\sum_{\delta} |\gamma_{\delta}|^{2}\right]^{2}}{\left[\sum_{\delta} |\zeta_{\delta}|^{2}\right]^{2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right) \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} + (\frac{m_{a}}{tw_{a}})^{2}}}}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\gamma(\mathbf{k})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_{a} + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right) \frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\zeta(\mathbf{k})|^{2}}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^{2} + (\frac{m_{a}}{tw_{a}})^{2}}}}.$$
(C11)

From Eqs. (54) and (55) we obtain

$$1 = \frac{6\kappa_s}{\kappa_c} \frac{\widetilde{w}_a}{w_a} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + (\frac{m_a}{tw_a})^2}}}{\left[\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_a - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_a + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)\right]^2}.$$
(C12)

Inserting w_a and \tilde{w}_a from Eqs. (50) and (C8) into this equation, one obtains

$$1 = \frac{3\kappa_s}{\kappa_c} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + (\frac{m_a}{tw_a})^2}}}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\gamma(\mathbf{k})| \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_a - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_a + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)} \frac{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\gamma(\mathbf{k})|^2 + (\frac{m_a}{tw_a})^2}}}{\frac{1}{N/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_a - \gamma(\mathbf{k})}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}_a + \gamma(\mathbf{k})}}\right)}.$$
 (C13)

Equations (C11) and (C13) are the last two equations.

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