

Probing the 2/3 fractional Quantum Hall edge channel using electronic Hong Ou Mandel shot noise correlation.

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The physics of the 2/3 edge channel is still awaiting a satisfying physical modeling. Inspiring of validating theoretical models requires the input of new type of experimental information. Here, we go well beyond the traditional DC transport and noise studies and, instead, explore the dynamic of the carriers propagating in along a 2/3 edge. New information is obtained by performing photo-assisted shot noise (PASN) measurements and electronic Hong Ou Mandel (HOM) shot noise measurements by sending GHz microwave excitations on the contacts of a Hall bar with a Quantum Point Contact (QPC) in its middle.

Under weak reflection of the inner channel by the QPC, we combine a DC voltage V_{ds} and the rf excitation to probe the possible voltage reduction V_{QPC} . V_{QPC} is measured via the Josephson relation using the PASN noise singularity occurring when V_{QPC} obeys the Josephson relation $(e/3)V_{QPC} = hf$ [1].

Then, applying the same coherent sine-wave rf excitation on both contacts, but with a time-delay, and measuring the cross-correlated partition noise of $e/3$ charge in the weak reflection regime, we observe HOM noise oscillations similar to that recently observed on the 2/5 and integer edge channel. The finite but weak visibility observed in these two-particle noise interference measurements suggests the existence of a finite quantum coherence of the 2/3 edge channel [2]. Moreover, sending periodic Leviton-like pulses of small 70ps width and 5GHz repetition rate, we observe, from the HOM signal, a large broadening of the pulses. This broadening show evidence of a long predicted charge diffusion mode [3] along the 2/3 edge channel.

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