Exotic Quantum Criticalities





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"exotic quantum criticalities" ("exotic quantum phase transitions") to answer the questions.

(Quantum) Phases

Various phases with tuning parameters in strongly correlated systems.



Colorful!!!

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- 1. Easy to detect
- 2. Theoretically well-understood
 - 3. spin wave, vortex, etc..

Symmetric phases : (trivial) band insulator, etc

- 1. Not difficult to detect
- 2. Theoretically well-understood
- 3. Ground state is fully gapped (for insulators)



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Symmetric phases in LGW :

Trivial product ground state



$$|G\rangle = \prod_{i} \left(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle_{i} - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle_{i}\right)$$

single-site physics (trivial many-body ground state)

Symmetry rules!

Sym. Broken : SSB + Goldstone modes

Sym. : trivial product state + Gapped excitations



Search for Novel Physics

Difficulties :

- 1. Most materials : conventional ordered phases
 - 2. Hard to find signals of exotic physics

Exotic Phases and Phase Transitions

Strategy

1. Entangled symmetric ground states

2. Quantum phase transitions near the entangled states

Beyond LGW criticalities : exotic physics! (Physical properties near criticalities are characteristics!)

QPTs

Conventional LGW paradigm,



Search for Novel Physics

Entangled symmetric ground states ?

- 1. non-Fermi liquids
- 2. Topological phases
- 3. Phases with quantum anomalies

4. ...

Non Fermi liquids

Resistivity does not show Fermi-liquid behaviors



Non-Fermi liquid near QPT

Matsuda Group



Resistivity does not show Fermi-liquid behaviors



Quantum critical phase?

Nakatsuji group

Non Fermi liquids

Strange behaviors : anomalous Hall, strange resistivity, etc...



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 $E_{kin}(k) \sim k^{2} \qquad E_{C} \sim \frac{e^{2}}{r}$ Heisenberg uncertainty $[r, k] = i\hbar$ $E_{kin} \sim \frac{1}{mr^{2}} , \quad E_{C} \sim \frac{e^{2}}{r}$ $E_{kin} \ll E_{C} \quad r \to \infty$

Perturbation breaks down : NFL?

Kondo et. al. 2015

Kinetic energy VS Coulomb energy



Physical quantities show exotic critical behaviors

Kondo et. al. 2015

Scaling analysis

RG setup

$$S_L = \int d\tau d^d x \left\{ \psi^{\dagger} \left[\partial_{\tau} - ie \,\varphi + \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0 \right] \psi + \frac{c_0}{2} (\partial_i \varphi)^2 \right\}$$

Scaling analysis in the spatial d dimension (z=2) :

$$k \to b k \quad \omega \to b^2 \omega \quad \psi \to b^{\frac{d}{2}} \psi \quad \varphi \to b^{\frac{d}{2}} \varphi$$

(No Fermi surface : Wilsonian scaling is well-defined.)

 $[e^2] = 4 - d$ The electric charge is **relevant** below four spatial dimensions.

Two methods : $\epsilon(=4-d)$ expansion, Large N_f expansion (d=3)

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Quantum correction (ε expansion):

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Quantum correction :

Screening effect from virtual particle-hole excitation

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New stable fixed point :

LAB (Luttinger-Abrikosov-Beneslaevski)

Anomalous dimension in all physical quantities

$$\eta_b \to 1 \quad (\epsilon \to 1, N_f \to \infty)$$

Kinetic energy VS Coulomb energy

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Some Lessons :

Smaller Fermi volumes are useful (ex: semi-metal).

Symmetry protection (ex : cubic & TRS) is useful

Questions :

Thermal properties??

Take-home Message I

Non-Fermi liquids are interesting.

Strong interaction / correlation are necessary!

Topological Phases

Beyond symmetry!



From google images with the key words "Topological matters"

Topology



Two objects are topologically different.

: Continuous deformation cannot transform one to the other.



: Something happens between topologically different states.





Topological nature in insulators and gapped SC : Well-understood!

REVIEWS OF MODERN PHYSICS, VOLUME 82, OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2010

Colloquium: Topological insulators

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Topological insulators and superconductors

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Topological nature in semi-metals and gapless SC



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Topological invariants (ex : Chern number)

Topological nature in semi-metals and gapless SC



Most topological materials : weakly interacting (s and p orbitals)

How to observe strong correlation effects in topological matter?

Conventional phases : symmetry!

Topological phases : topology (mostly, s and p orbitals)

Next step : interplay between symmetry and topology (d and f orbitals)

(see Pesin and Balents 2009)

Topological Phase Transitions

Strong correlation driven topological phase transitions

interplay between symmetry and topology



Beyond LGW criticalities

Physical quantities show exotic behaviors! (ex: density fluctuations are highly anisotropic)
Strong correlation driven topological phase transitions

nodal points (Weyl semi-metals)





PHYSICAL REVIEW X 4, 041027 (2014)

New Type of Quantum Criticality in the Pyrochlore Iridates

Lucile Savary,^{1,*} Eun-Gook Moon,¹ and Leon Balents²

Weakly interacting topological phase transitions

nodal points (Weyl semi-metals)

insulators



Strong correlation driven topological phase transitions

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insulators



Beyond LGW criticalities

Chiral Symmetry Breaking with Long-range Coulomb Interaction in Topological Semi-metals

SangEun Han and Eun-Gook Moon Department of Physics, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Daejeon 305-701, Korea (Dated: May 15, 2017)

In preparation

Strong correlation driven topological phase transitions

nodal point SC

Nodal line SC

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Beyond LGW criticalities

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Topological phase transitions in line-nodal superconductors

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Topological phase transitions in SCs

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PRL 114, 027003 (2015)

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PRL 94, 197002 (2005)

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Line Nodes in the Superconducting Gap Function of Noncentrosymmetric CePt₃Si

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Polar Phase of Superfluid ³He in Anisotropic Aerogel

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Unconventional Superconductors

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TOPICAL REVIEW

Nodal structure of unconventional superconductors probed by angle resolved thermal transport measurements

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excitations. The temperature dependence of the London penetration depth $\lambda(T)$, electronic part of the specific heat C(T), thermal conductivity $\kappa(T)$, and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spin–lattice relaxation rate T_1^{-1} all reflect the changes in the quasiparticle occupation numbers. In the fully gapped (s wave) superconductors the quasiparticle density of states

Unconventional Superconductors

Table 1. Superconducting gap symmetry of unconventional superconductors. TRS, AFMO and FMO represent time reversal symmetry, antiferromagnetic ordering and ferromagnetic ordering, respectively.

	Node	Parity	TRS	Proposed gap function	Comments
High T _c cuprates	Line (vertical)	Even [7]		d _{x²-y²} [7]	
Sr ₂ Ca ₁₂ Cu ₂₄ O ₄₁	Full gap [25]	Odd [25]			Spin ladder system
κ-(ET) ₂ Cu(SCN) ₂	Line (vertical) [66]	Even [148]		d _{xy} [66]	
(TMTSF) ₂ PF ₆		Odd [23]			Superconductivity under pressure
(TMTSF) ₂ ClO ₄	Line [173] Full gap [181]				
Sr ₂ RuO ₄	Line (horizontal) [65] (vertical) [73]	Odd [24]	Broken [32]	$\begin{array}{l} (k_x + \mathrm{i}k_y) \times \\ (\cos k_z c + \alpha) \ [65] \\ (\sin k_x + \mathrm{i} \sin k_y) \\ [73] \end{array}$	
Na _x CoO ₂ ·yH ₂ O	Line [174]	Even [175, 176], Odd [26, 27]			
(Y, Lu)Ni2B2C	Point-like [67]	Even [88]		$1 - \sin^4 \theta \cos(4\phi)$ [87, 177]	Very anisotropic s wave
Li ₂ Pt ₃ B	Line [35]	Even + odd			No inversion centre
CeCu ₂ Si ₂	Line [178]	Even [178]			Two superconducting phases [183]
CeIn ₃	Line [179]				Coexistence with AFMC
CeCoIn ₅	Line (vertical)	Even [61]		d _{x²-y²} [53, 61, 136], d _{xy} [69]	FFLO phase
CeRhIn ₅	Line [180]	Even [180]			Coexistence with AFMO
CePt ₃ Si	Line [34]	Even + odd [182]			No inversion centre
UPd ₂ Al ₃	Line (horizontal)	Even [109]		$\cos k_z c$ [62]	Coexistence with AFMC
UNi ₂ Al ₃	Line [19]	Odd [19]			Coexistence with SDW
URu ₂ Si ₂	Line [184]	Odd [20]			Coexistence with hidden order
UPt ₃	Line + point [185]	Odd [18]	Broken [31]		Multiple superconductin phases
UBe ₁₃	Line [189]	Odd [22]			
UGe ₂ URhGe Ulr	Line [186]	Odd [28] Odd [29] Even + odd [30]			Coexistence with FMO Coexistence with FMO Coexistence with FMO and no inversion centre
PuCoGa ₅	Line [187]	Even [125]			
PuRhGa5	Line [188]				
PrOs ₄ Sb ₁₂	Point [68]	Odd [22]	Broken [33]		Multiple superconductin phases

Matsuda et. al., 2006



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If protecting symmetry is broken, line nodal structure is modified.

Symmetry breaking and topological change are concomitant!

Line-nodal Superconductors

Toy model : p-wave pairing gap

$$H_0 = \sum_{\boldsymbol{k}} \Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\dagger} \Big(h(\boldsymbol{k}) \tau^z + \Delta(\boldsymbol{k}) \tau^x \Big) \Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \frac{k_x^2 + k_y^2 - k_F^2}{2m} \tau^x + v_z k_z \tau^z \qquad E(\mathbf{k}) = \pm \sqrt{\frac{(k_x^2 + k_y^2 - k_F^2)^2}{4m^2} + v_z^2 k_z^2}$$

One line node exists in $k_z=0$ plane.





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An order parameter exists.

Symmetric phase : line-node Symmetry-broken phase : no line-node (either point-node or fully gapped)



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Landau-Ginzburg theory?



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NO! (no information about topological nature in the L-G theory)



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Fermions! (Berry phase or curvature)



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Nodal line Hamiltonian

$$H_0 = \sum_{oldsymbol{k}} \Psi^{\dagger}_{oldsymbol{k}} \Big(h(oldsymbol{k}) au^z + \Delta(oldsymbol{k}) au^x \Big) \Psi_{oldsymbol{k}}$$

Example :

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 &= \sum_{k} \Psi_k^{\dagger} \Big(h(k) \tau^z + \Delta(k) \tau^x \Big) \Psi_k \qquad H_{\psi-\phi} = \phi \sum \Psi_k^{\dagger} \tau^y \Psi_k \\ \mathcal{H}_0 &= \frac{k_x^2 + k_y^2 - k_F^2}{2m} \tau^x + v_z k_z \tau^z \\ E(k) &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{(k_x^2 + k_y^2 - k_F^2)^2}{4m^2} + v_z^2 k_z^2 + \phi^2} \end{aligned}$$

One line node exists in the symmetric phase.

No line node exists in the symmetry-broken phase.







Can be generalized to general symmetry groups.

$$\mathcal{G} = C_{4v} \times \mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{P}$$

Rep.	Lattice $(\mathcal{F}_s(\boldsymbol{k})M^s)$	$\operatorname{Continuum}$	#
A_1	$ au^y$	$ au^y$	0
A_2	$\sin(k_x)\sin(k_y)(\cos(k_x)-\cos(k_y))\tau^y$	$\sin(4\theta)\tau^y$	16
B_1	$(\cos(k_x) - \cos(k_y))\tau^y$	$\cos(2\theta)\tau^y$	8
B_2	$\sin(k_x)\sin(k_y)\tau^y$	$\sin(2\theta)\tau^y$	8
E	$\sin(k_x)\sin(k_z)\tau^y,$	$\cos(\theta)\tau^y\mu^z,$	4
	$\sin(k_y)\sin(k_z)\tau^y$	$\sin(\theta)\tau^y\mu^z$	





The cubic term appears due to nodal line fermion excitation.

The MFT already shows the universality class is special!

Critical theory

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Quantum corrections





Conventional Phase Transitions



$$\mathcal{S}_{LGW} = \int_{\Omega,q} (\Omega^2 + q^2 + r) |\phi(q,\Omega)|^2 + \cdots$$



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QCP in $3d$	z	ν	eta	γ	η	HS
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QBT-QCP[29, 30]	2	1	2	1	1	Ο
Hertz-Millis[31, 32]	2 or 3	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	Х
Nodal line QCP	1	1	1	1	1	Х

 $(\Omega \sim q^z, \xi^{-1} \sim |r - r_c|^{\nu}, \chi_{\phi} \sim |r - r_c|^{-\gamma}, \text{and } [\phi] = \frac{d + z - 2 + \eta}{2}$)



$$\mathcal{S}_{\phi}^{c} = \int_{\Omega, \boldsymbol{q}} N_{f} k_{f} \sqrt{\Omega^{2} + v_{z}^{2} q_{z}^{2} + v_{\perp}^{2} q_{\perp}^{2}} \mathcal{R}(\rho(\Omega, \boldsymbol{q})) \frac{|\phi|^{2}}{2}$$

$$\rho(\Omega, \mathbf{q}) = 1/\left(1 + \frac{\Omega^{2} + v_{z}^{2} q_{z}^{2}}{v_{\perp}^{2} q_{\perp}^{2}}\right)$$

1. Large anomalous dimension.

2. Emergent Lorentz inv.

3. Hyper-scaling violation.

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Comparison

In 3d,

 $1\phi^4$ theory and Higgs-Yukawa theory (upper-critical dimension)

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Mean-field + logarithmic correction

2. Hertz-Millis Theorv $S_{HM} = \int_{q,\omega} (\frac{|\omega|}{\Gamma_q} + q^2 + r) |\phi(k,\omega)|^2 + \int_{x,\tau} \frac{u}{4} \phi(x,\tau)^4$

z=2,3 + hyperscaling violation

3. Line-nodal critical theory

$$\mathcal{S}_{line} = \int_{k,\omega}^{k} \left(\sqrt{\omega^2 + v_\perp^2 k_\perp^2 + v_z^2 k_z^2} + r \right) |\phi(k,\omega)|^2$$

z=1 + hyperscaling violation

Phase diagram

Usual phase diagrams



 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Basically, T}^2 \thicksim |\mbox{g-g}_{\rm c}| & T_c \sim (g_c - g)^{1/2} \\ & \langle \phi \rangle \sim (g - g_c)^{1/2} \end{array}$

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Phase diagram



Significantly larger quantum critical region due to fermion excitation

$$T_c \sim (g_c - g) \qquad \langle \phi \rangle \sim (g - g_c)$$

The linear temperature phase boundary!

Take-home Message II

Topological phase transitions are interesting.

Interplay between symmetry and topology!

Phases with Quantum Anomalies

Continuous Symmetry \rightarrow Conservation law (Noether's thm)

$$\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu} = 0 \quad \frac{dQ}{dt} = 0$$

Anomalous Symmetry \rightarrow Conservation law is "spoiled"

$$\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu} = \mathcal{A} \neq 0$$

Ex) $\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu}_{5} = \frac{1}{16\pi^{2}}\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho}F^{\mu\nu}F^{\lambda\rho}$

Phases with Quantum Anomalies

Example : Weyl / Dirac semi-metal

$$\mathcal{L} = i\bar{\psi}_L\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu\psi_L + i\bar{\psi}_R\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu\psi_R$$

 $J^{\mu} = \psi_L \gamma^{\mu} \psi_L + \psi_R \gamma^{\mu} \psi_R$ $J^{\mu}_5 = \bar{\psi}_L \gamma^{\mu} \psi_L - \bar{\psi}_R \gamma^{\mu} \psi_R$

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WSM / DSM : almost non-interacting, very stable! Yet, non-local transport!



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$$\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu} = 0$$

$$\partial_{\mu}J^{\mu}_{5} = \frac{1}{16\pi^{2}}\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho}F^{\mu\nu}F^{\lambda\rho}$$

WSM / DSM : almost non-interacting, very stable! Yet, non-local transport!

More interests in anomalies!

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 - 1. Take a system with DSM
 - 2. Introduce strong correlation
 - 3. Phase diagrams??

Conventional LGW paradigm (without anomaly),



Exotic criticality (with anomaly)



Ex) 1d spin-chain

Hasting-Oshikawa-Lieb-Schultz-Mattias theorem

Spin ¹/₂ systems with a translation symmetry : always gapless!

$$H = \sum_{i,j} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

The spin system is described by

$$S = \int d^2x \frac{1}{2g^2} (\partial \vec{\phi})^2 + iS_{WZW}$$
$$S_{WZW} = c_2 \int_{X_3} \epsilon_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} \epsilon^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3} \phi^{i_1} \partial_{\mu_1} \phi^{i_2} \partial_{\mu_2} \phi^{i_3} \partial_{\mu_3} \phi^{i_4}$$

O(4) non-linear sigma model with Wess-Zumino-Witten model

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Future Questions :

- 1) 3d version of HOLSM?
- 2) Relation with quantum spin liquids?
- 3) Experimental signals?

4) ..

Take-home Message III

Quantum anomalies are interesting.

Gapless excitations are guaranteed!

Recipe???

- 1. Strong correlation physics (ex: d & f orbitals)
- 2. Tune parameters around QPT (pressure, doping,...)
- 3. Measure / calculate physical quantities (resistivity, susceptibility,...)
 - 4. Find unusual behaviors (ex: NFL, top, anomaly)

Summary

Exotic quantum criticalities signal novel physics.

Non trivial symmetric ground states may realize exotic quantum criticalities.

Non-Fermi liquids, topological phases, and quantum anomalies are specific examples.

Collaboration between theory and experiment is necessary!

Thank you for your attention!

Appendix A: Massless excitation with anomalies

It is well understood that massless excitation is guaranteed by continuous symmetry anomalies.^{47–49} The presence of continuous group's anomalies enforces singularities of analytical structures of currents correlation functions. To be self-contained, we introduce the proof with slight modification following the notation in Coleman and Grossman.⁴⁹

In 4D, the anomalous Ward identity is in three currents correlation function,

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu\lambda}(q_1, q_2, q_3)\delta^{(4)}(q_1 + q_2 + q_3) = \int \prod_i d^4 x_i e^{iq_i x_i} T < 0 |J_\mu(x_1)J_\nu(x_2)J_\lambda(x_3)|0>,$$

and the current conservation gives

$$q_3^{\lambda} \Gamma_{\mu\nu\lambda}(q_1, q_2, q_3) = \mathcal{A} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q_1^{\alpha} q_2^{\beta}.$$
(A1)

All non-abelian Lie algebra indices are absorbed into the anomaly coefficient \mathcal{A} .

The correlation function is symmetric under similutaneous permutations of (q_1, q_2, q_3) and (μ, ν, λ) . Now let us investigate analytic structure of the correlation function. Due to permutation and covariance, the structure must be in the form

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu\lambda} = F(q_i^2) \Big[\epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q_1^{\alpha} q_2^{\beta} q_{3\lambda} + \epsilon_{\nu\lambda\alpha\beta} q_2^{\alpha} q_3^{\beta} q_{1\mu} + \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q_3^{\alpha} q_1^{\beta} q_{2\nu} \Big]$$

We omit possible tensors which cannot contribute to the anomalies. Note that the momentums are off-shell, so one can access all available regions and we focus on the region

$$q_1^2 = q_2^2 = q_3^2 = -Q^2.$$

The correlation function contracted with $q_{3\lambda}$ gives

$$q_3^{\lambda}\Gamma_{\mu\nu\lambda}(q_1, q_2, q_3) = -F(Q^2)Q^2\epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}q_1^{\alpha}q_2^{\beta}.$$
(A2)

Then, the anomaly equation (A.1) gives

$$F(Q^2) = -\frac{\mathcal{A}}{Q^2}.$$

The pole structure at zero mass nicely show the presence of massless excitation (also see⁴⁸ for dispersion analysis). The singularity even further enforces that UV and IR information needs to be matched.

In the paper by Coleman and Grossman, they add more conditions such as nonsingularties from vertex corrections, and they conclude the helicity of massless degrees of freedom is $\pm \frac{1}{2}$, which indicates the symmetric phase is massless fermions as in our minimal model. The authors argue that the assumptions are not that strong, so it would be very interesting the conditions are proved / disproved in future research.

The above discussion only relies on the anomaly properties and nothing more, thus it is applied to everywhere in phase diagrams. But, it is only applied to anomalies of continuous symmetries since the current conservation plays a crucial role. For the discrete gauge group, which is especially important in SPT physics, the presence of anomalies does not guarantee massless excitation.^{8–11}

We note that in 2D, the minimal symmetry for spin 1/2 chains to be massless is $SU(2) \times Z_2$ corresponding $SU(2) \times Z_2^{16}$ which is smaller than $SO(4) \sim SU(2) \times SU(2)$, and it is manifest some subgroups of the continuous group is enough on lattice systems, and it would be interesting to find criteria to determine the subgroups in higher dimensions.