

Department of Physics Colloquium

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Luttinger Liquids in a Two-Dimensional Moiré Lattice Prof. Sanfeng Wu Princeton University

Interacting electrons in metals are typically described by the established Fermi liquid theory, which is qualitatively similar to the theory of a noninteracting Fermi gas. One known exception is the interacting onedimensional (1D) conductors, in which electrons only move along one spatial direction and are generally described by the Luttinger liquid model at low temperatures. The 1D Luttinger liquids host interesting phenomena due to strong correlations, including the power law suppression of the density of at Fermi energy and the spin-charge separation. Can the states novel Luttinger liquid phenomena, expected in a 1D system, emerge in a two-dimensional (2D) system at low temperatures? In this talk, I aim to address this long-standing question based on our recent experiments on twisted bilayer WTe₂ (tWTe₂). I will argue that this new moiré material provides an excellent platform for studying emergent Luttinger liquids in an anisotropic 2D system and may be related to various coupled-wire models for investigating strongly correlated physics.

This colloquium will be held in-person, at SERC 116 unless announced otherwise.