



Measurements of Quasi-Particle Tunneling in the $\nu = 5/2$ Fractional Quantum Hall Regime

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Some models of the $5/2$ fractional quantum Hall state predict that the quasiparticles, which carry the charge, have non-change of phase factor. Such non-Abelian statistics would make the system less sensitive to decoherence, making it a candidate for implementation of topological quantum computation. We measure quasiparticle tunneling as a function of temperature and dc bias between counterpropagating edge states. Our results and theory give e^* , the quasiparticle effective charge, close to the expected value of $e/4$ and g , the strength of the interaction between quasiparticles, close to $3/8$. Fits corresponding to various proposed wave functions, along with qualitative features of the data, strongly favor the Abelian 331 state.