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We present a theory of Galilean-invariant conventional and chiral  $p_x \pm i p_y$  fermionic superfluids at zero temperature in two spatial dimensions in terms of a dual gauge theory. Our formulation is general coordinate invariant. The parity-violating effects are encoded in the Wen-Zee term that gives rise to the Hall viscosity and edge current. We show that the relativistic superfluid with the Euler current developed in [1] reduces to the chiral superfluid in the limit  $c \to \infty$ . Using Newton-Cartan geometry we construct the covariant formulation of the effective theory and calculate the energy current.

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

After almost a century since the discovery of superfluidity in liquid helium, the macroscopic manifestation of quantum mechanics in superfluids is still a fascinating topic of physics [2–4]. Modern sophisticated experiments with liquid helium and ultracold atomic gases allow to study various properties of these quantum liquids in great detail. Among different types of superfluids, chiral two-dimensional fermionic superfluids play a prominent role. Originally studied in thin films of <sup>3</sup>He-A, nowadays these superfluids attract considerable experimental and theoretical attention in the context of fault-tolerant quantum computation [5, 6]. In this paper we will consider a two-dimensional chiral superfluid with the condensate expressed in momentum space as

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{p}} = (p_x \pm i p_y)\hat{\Delta},\tag{1}$$

where  $\hat{\Delta}$  is a real function of the magnitude of momentum. Microscopically, this condensate can be realized using spin-polarized (i.e. single-component) fermions with short-range attractive interactions, the system studied before in ultracold experiments [7]. Alternatively, the elusive Moore-Read ( $\nu = 5/2$ ) quantum Hall state can be understood as a  $p_x \pm i p_y$  superfluid of composite fermions [8].

As already realized by Onsager, London and Feynman, the phase of the macroscopic wave function plays a central role in the theory of superfluidity. Today this phase is identified with a gapless Goldstone boson of the broken global particle number symmetry. The low-energy and long-wavelength physics of conventional superfluids can thus be encoded in the effective theory of the Goldstone boson. Interestingly, in two spatial dimensions a U(1) gauge boson (photon) carries just one degree of freedom and has zero spin. This observation suggests the possibility of having a dual description of superfluids in terms

of a gauge field [9]. In Sec. II we will realize exactly this idea for Galilean-invariant conventional and chiral superfluids. As will become evident in Sec. III, it is straightforward to incorporate quantum vortices in the dual description: they are pointlike sources, i.e., charges, of the dual gauge field. Moreover, the duality formulation will allow us in Sec. IV to identify the relativistic theory that gives rise to the chiral superfluid in the non-relativistic limit  $c \to \infty$ .

General coordinate invariance proved to be essential in Einstein's construction of the general theory of relativity. Here we will take advantage of the nonrelativistic version of this principle that was first proposed in [10]. Technically, the effective theory will be invariant under spacetime diffeomorphisms. This enables us to study superfluids living on arbitrary two-dimensional spatial manifolds and to use arbitrary space-time coordinates. This formalism is useful even if one is only interested in flat space physics since it allows to calculate easily various currents and their correlators by taking small variations of the action with respect to external sources. In Sec. V we will construct the covariant formulation of the theory of superfluids in Newton-Cartan geometry, which appears to be the most natural formalism for nonrelativistic physics [11–17]. Using this formulation, we will calculate the energy current for both conventional and chiral superfluids in Sec. VI.

This paper is a continuation of [18] and our previous work [19], where the effective theory of Galilean-invariant chiral superfluids in terms of Goldstone phase was constructed. Our predictions might be relevant for two-dimensional chiral superfluids to be realized in experiments with single-component ultracold fermions.

# II. DUAL DESCRIPTION OF TWO-DIMENSIONAL SUPERFLUID

#### A. Conventional superfluid

First we consider a conventional nonrelativistic s-wave fermionic superfluid living on some two-dimensional surface with a generically time-dependent metric  $g_{ij}$ . Since at zero temperature the superfluid does not dissipate energy, it is an isentropic fluid and we can start from the action

$$S = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} \mathcal{L}_{sf} \tag{2}$$

with  $g = \det g_{ij}$  and the Lagrangian [20, 21]

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = \frac{1}{2} \rho g_{ij} v^i v^j - \epsilon(\rho) - \theta \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_t (\sqrt{g} \rho) + \nabla_i (\rho v^i) \right] - A_t \rho - A_i \rho v^i.$$
(3)

Here  $v^i$  is the superfluid velocity and  $\rho$  is the particle number density,  $^1$   $\epsilon$  is the internal energy density and  $\nabla_i$  stands for the spatial covariant derivative (Levi-Civita connection). In addition, we included the coupling of the superfluid to the background  $U(1)_N$  gauge field  $A_\mu$ . The term with the Lagrange multiplier  $\theta$  ensures the conservation of the particle number. In Appendix A we demonstrate that  $\theta$  is actually the Goldstone field of the broken  $U(1)_N$  particle number symmetry. Note that under a constant shift of  $\theta$  the action changes only by a total derivative. This is the realization of the  $U(1)_N$  symmetry in the effective theory.

In two spatial dimensions the  $U(1)_N$  particle number current  $\mathcal{J}^{\mu} = (\rho, \rho \mathbf{v})$  can be expressed as<sup>2</sup>

$$\mathcal{J}^{\mu} \equiv \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} f_{\nu\rho}, \tag{4}$$

where we introduced the dual gauge field  $a_{\mu}$ . Indeed, the gauge transformation

$$a_{\mu} \to a_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} \chi$$
 (5)

leaves the current  $\mathcal{J}^{\mu}$  invariant. In the new language, the conservation law of the particle number is

$$\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}\partial_{\mu}f_{\nu\rho} = 0, \tag{6}$$

which is trivially satisfied.

The transformation (4) thus allows us to trade the hydrodynamic theory of the constrained variables  $\rho$  and  $v^i$  for the theory of the field  $a_{\mu}$  which has the gauge freedom. Indeed from the duality relation (4) we find

$$\rho = b,$$

$$v^{i} = -\frac{\varepsilon^{ij}e_{j}}{b},$$
(7)

where we introduced the dual magnetic field  $b \equiv \varepsilon^{ij}\partial_i a_j = g^{-1/2}\epsilon^{ij}\partial_i a_j$  and the dual electric field  $e_j \equiv \partial_t a_j - \partial_j a_t$ . In the dual language the Lagrangian (3) can thus be expressed in the simple form

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = \frac{g^{ij}e_ie_j}{2b} - \epsilon(b) - \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}A_\mu\partial_\nu a_\rho, \tag{8}$$

which is a *nonlinear* theory of electromagnetism in two spatial dimensions. As shown in Appendix B, small Goldstone fluctuations around the homogeneous ground state in flat space with  $A_{\mu}=0$  are described by the linearized version of Eq. (8), which is just the relativistic Maxwell electrodynamics.

For any effective theory a power counting scheme must be specified that orders various terms according to their importance. Here we will use the hydrodynamic power counting which allows large Goldstone fluctuations and thus the velocity and density are not assumed to be small. In other words we set  $\rho \sim \mathbf{v} \sim A_{\mu} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  and  $\theta \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1})$ , where p is a small momentum scale. We thus find that  $\mathcal{L}_{sf} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ , i.e., it is of the leading order in the hydrodynamic power counting. For the dual gauge potential this implies  $a \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1})$ .

The dual theory defined by the Lagrangian (8) is invariant under the nonrelativistic version of the general coordinate transformations that was introduced in [10]. Indeed, first we observe that with respect to a spatial diffeomorphism  $x^i \to x^i + \xi^i(t, \mathbf{x})$ , the hydrodynamic fields  $\rho$  and  $v_i$  transform as follows [19, 22]

$$\delta \rho = -\xi^k \partial_k \rho,$$
  

$$\delta v_i = -\xi^k \partial_k v_i - v_k \partial_i \xi^k + q_{ik} \dot{\xi}^k.$$
(9)

This result together with Eq. (7) implies<sup>3</sup>

$$\delta b = -\xi^k \partial_k b,$$
  

$$\delta e_i = -\xi^k \partial_k e_i - e_k \partial_i \xi^k + b \varepsilon_{ik} \dot{\xi}^k.$$
(10)

We find that these transformation rules are satisfied provided the dual gauge potential transforms simply as a one-form under the spatial general coordinate transformation, i.e.,

$$\delta a_{\mu} = -\xi^k \partial_k a_{\mu} - a_k \partial_{\mu} \xi^k. \tag{11}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In this paper we follow the notation of [19]. This implies that the mass density and the particle number density coincide because we set the mass of the elementary fermion to unity.

we set the mass of the elementary fermion to unity.  $^2$  Here we introduced the tensor  $\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho},$  where the totally antisymmetric Levi-Civita symbol is defined by  $\epsilon^{tij}\equiv\epsilon^{ij}$  and  $\epsilon^{12}\equiv+1.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> To prove the second equation in (10) we used  $\delta v^i = -\xi^k \partial_k v^i + v^k \partial_k \xi^i + \dot{\xi}^i$ ,  $\delta \sqrt{g} = -\xi^k \partial_k \sqrt{g} - \sqrt{g} \partial_k \xi^k$  and the identity  $\varepsilon^{ij} \partial_k \xi^k = \varepsilon^{ik} \partial_k \xi^j + \varepsilon^{kj} \partial_k \xi^i$ .

Using this result together with the transformation rules for  $A_{\mu}$  and  $g_{ij}$  found in [10]<sup>4</sup>

$$\delta A_t = -\xi^k \partial_k A_t - A_k \dot{\xi}^k,$$

$$\delta A_i = -\xi^k \partial_k A_i - A_k \partial_i \xi^k + g_{ik} \dot{\xi}^k,$$

$$\delta g_{ij} = -\xi^k \partial_k g_{ij} - g_{ik} \partial_j \xi^k - g_{kj} \partial_i \xi^k$$
(12)

it straightforward to demonstrate that the Lagrangian (8) transforms as a scalar and the action (2) is indeed invariant.

Although we do not specify a microscopic fermionic model and pairing mechanism here, we note that the transformation rules (12) are only valid if the "gyromagnetic ratio"  $g_{\psi}$  and the spin  $s_{\psi}$  of the fermion field in the microscopic model satisfy<sup>5</sup>

$$g_{\psi} - 2s_{\psi} = 0. \tag{13}$$

Throughout this paper we will assume that this relation is valid. Generalization to the case  $g_{\psi} - 2s_{\psi} \neq 0$  can be obtained in a straightforward fashion by following [13].

Time reversal and parity transformations are given by

$$T: t \to -t, \ \theta \to -\theta, \ A_i \to -A_i, \ a_t \to -a_t;$$
  
$$P: x_1 \leftrightarrow x_2, \ A_1 \leftrightarrow A_2, \ a_t \to -a_t, \ a_1 \leftrightarrow -a_2.$$
 (14)

It is now straightforward to check that the Lagrangian (8) is separately invariant under T and P.

Notably in the dual formulation we can write the Chern-Simons action which is gauge-invariant and general coordinate invariant

$$S_{\rm CS} = \frac{\nu_a}{4\pi} \int dt d\mathbf{x} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} a_\mu \partial_\nu a_\rho \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1}).$$
 (15)

In our power-counting this term is more important than the action (2). In addition, in terms of the original hydrodynamic variables it is nonlocal in position space. Note, however, that the Chern-Simons term makes the dual photon (aka  $U(1)_N$  Goldstone boson) massive [23] and thus should not appear in the theory of a compressible superfluid. For this reasons in the following we set  $\nu_a = 0$ .

Given a general coordinate invariant theory it is straightforward to calculate its stress tensor. General coordinate invariance implies that for  $A_k = 0$  the contravariant stress tensor can be calculated as [10, 24]

$$T^{ij} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta g_{ij}}.$$
 (16)

For the superfluid defined by the Lagrangian (8) we find the ideal fluid result

$$T_{\text{ideal}}^{ij} = \underbrace{\left[\frac{d\epsilon}{db}b - \epsilon\right]}_{P(b)} g^{ij} + \frac{\mathbf{e}^2 g^{ij} - e^i e^j}{b} = P(\rho)g^{ij} + \rho v^i v^j,$$
(17)

where we introduced the pressure P as the function of the superfluid density and used that in two spatial dimensions the projector  $\mathbf{e}^2 g^{ij} - e^i e^j = \varepsilon^{ik} e_k \varepsilon^{jl} e_l = \rho^2 v^i v^j$ .

In the dual formulation the global  $U(1)_N$  particle number symmetry is realized nontrivially. It is unrelated to the dual gauge symmetry, but appears as the dual magnetic flux symmetry since the total particle number is given by

$$N = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} b. \tag{18}$$

The flux symmetry is broken spontaneously by the ground state of the dual electrodynamics [25]. Under an infinitesimal  $U(1)_N$  transformation the sources transform as

$$\delta A_{\mu} = -\partial_{\mu}\alpha, \quad \delta g_{ij} = 0.$$
 (19)

Finally, it is straightforward to demonstrate that the effective theory is Galilean-invariant for  $A_{\mu}=0$  and  $g_{ij}=\delta_{ij}$ . The infinitesimal Galilean boost is a combination of the the diffeomorphism  $\xi^k=v^kt$  and the gauge transformation  $\alpha=v^kx_k$ . Galilean transformations are physical symmetries because it does not modify the background fields (see 2.1 in [26]).

#### B. Chiral superfluid

We now consider a two-dimensional chiral superfluid. In addition to the conventional breaking of the global  $U(1)_N$  particle number symmetry it exhibits spontaneous breaking of the spatial rotation symmetry. In the following it will be denoted by  $SO(2)_V$ , i.e., the group of rotations of the orthonormal two-dimensional vielbein to be introduced below. We will assume the symmetry breaking pattern

$$U(1)_N \times SO(2)_V \to U(1)_D, \tag{20}$$

where  $U(1)_D$  stands for the diagonal combination of  $U(1)_N$  and  $SO(2)_V$  which remains unbroken. As the result at zero temperature the low-energy physics is governed by just *one* Goldstone boson. An important example of such a superfluid is the chiral  $p_x \pm ip_y$  fermionic superfluid briefly introduced in Sec. I. Notably the chiral condensate (1) breaks spontaneously time reversal and parity symmetries which gives rise to qualitatively new effects compared to phenomena taking place in the conventional superfluid discussed above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The over-dot denotes the temporal derivative.

<sup>5</sup>  $g_{\psi}$  is a parameter which introduces a nonminimal coupling of fermions to the background  $U(1)_N$  magnetic field of the form  $\mathcal{L}_g \sim g_{\psi}B\rho$ , where  $\rho$  is the superfluid density that coincides with the total density at T=0. Since the background gauge field  $A_{\mu}$ , introduced in this paper, is completely unrelated to the electromagnetic gauge potential, it is important to keep in mind that  $g_{\psi}$  does not coincide with the gyromagnetic ratio of the fermionic atom. In general the value of  $g_{\psi}$  can be determined experimentally by rotating the superfluid (i.e. switching on the  $U(1)_N$  magnetic field) and measuring the  $U(1)_N$  current.

As a first step towards the dual description of the chiral superfluid we will follow [19] and introduce an orthonormal spatial vielbein  $e_i^a$  with a = 1, 2. Since such a vielbein is defined only up to a local  $SO(2)_V$  rotation

$$e_i^a \to e_i^a + \phi(t, \mathbf{x}) \epsilon^{ab} e_i^b,$$
 (21)

we can introduce the spin connection

$$\omega_t \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left( \epsilon^{ab} e^{aj} \partial_t e_j^b + B \right),$$

$$\omega_i \equiv \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ab} e^{aj} \nabla_i e_j^b = \frac{1}{2} \left( \epsilon^{ab} e^{aj} \partial_i e_j^b - \varepsilon^{jk} \partial_j g_{ik} \right),$$
(22)

where we defined  $e^{aj} \equiv e_i^a g^{ij}$  and the magnetic field  $B \equiv \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_i A_j$ . By construction, under a local  $SO(2)_V$  rotation the connection transforms as an abelian gauge field, i.e.,

$$\omega_{\nu} \to \omega_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} \phi.$$
 (23)

In addition, under spatial diffeomorphisms  $\omega_{\nu}$  transforms simply as a one-form

$$\delta\omega_{\mu} = -\xi^k \partial_k \omega_{\mu} - \omega_k \partial_{\mu} \xi^k. \tag{24}$$

Note that under the discrete symmetries  $\omega_{\nu}$  transforms similar to the dual gauge field  $a_{\mu}$ 

$$T: \omega_t \to -\omega_t; P: \omega_t \to -\omega_t, \ \omega_1 \leftrightarrow -\omega_2.$$
 (25)

The dual effective theory of the chiral superfluid is now obtained by adding to the Lagrangian  $(8)^6$  the general coordinate invariant Wen-Zee term [27]

$$\mathcal{L}_{WZ} = -s\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}\omega_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}a_{\rho}$$
  
=  $-s\rho(\omega_{t} + \omega_{i}v^{i}).$  (26)

Within our power counting this sub-leading term is of order O(p). Provided the parameter s is kept fixed,  $\mathcal{L}_{WZ}$  breaks separately parity and time reversal, but preserves the combined PT symmetry. If one transforms the chirality of the ground state  $s \to -s$ , both P and T are preserved separately by the Wen-Zee term. One must set  $s = \pm 1/2$  for the  $p_x \pm ip_y$  superfluid.<sup>7</sup> As has been realized recently in [29–31], the two-dimensional chiral pairing in higher partial waves is more subtle. We defer

the construction of the effective theory for this case to a future work.

It is well-known that the chiral superfluid studied here is a topological quantum liquid since its ground state has different topological properties in the weakly (BCS) and strongly (BEC) coupled regimes that are separated by a quantum phase transition [4, 8]. This implies the presence of a protected gapless fermionic Majorana mode localized on the boundary between the two phases. We emphasize that in our construction we did not specify the equation of state  $\epsilon(\rho)$  and thus the effective theory described here should be valid in both phases. Although the Majorana mode does not appear as an explicit degree of freedom, it is integrated out and gives rise to nonanalyticity of the term  $\epsilon(b)$  in the Lagrangian at the phase transition point.

Since in the effective theory of chiral superfluids the spatial vielbein does not appear linearly, but only quadratically, it is natural to expect that the introduction of the vielbein and spin connection is actually not necessary and that the theory can be formulated covariantly using the spatial metric  $g_{ij}$  only. While this is not obvious within the formalism presented in [19], it is straightforward to eliminate the vielbein in the dual formalism developed here. Indeed, up to a surface term we can rewrite the Wen-Zee Lagrangian as

$$\mathcal{L}_{WZ} = -s\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}a_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\omega_{\rho} = -s\left(a_{t}B_{\omega} - \varepsilon^{ij}a_{i}E_{\omega j}\right), \quad (27)$$

where we introduced the gravitomagnetic field  $B_{\omega} \equiv \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_i \omega_j$  and the gravitoelectric field  $E_{\omega j} \equiv \partial_t \omega_j - \partial_j \omega_t$ . In Appendix C we show that

$$B_{\omega} = \frac{1}{2}R,$$

$$E_{\omega i} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\partial_t (\Gamma_{ij}^k) \varepsilon^{jl} g_{kl} - \partial_i B \right],$$
(28)

where R and  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$  stand for the Ricci scalar and Chirstoffel symbol respectively. Thus the Wen-Zee term can be indeed written only in terms of the metric  $g_{ij}$  and its derivatives.

The Wen-Zee term gives rise to novel phenomena. In the context of quantum Hall effect these were investigated for example in [27, 32, 33]. Here we study its consequences for the chiral superfluid. First, due to the presence of the magnetic field B in Eq. (22), it leads to the modification of the  $U(1)_N$  current

$$\mathcal{J}_{\text{edge}}^{\mu} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S_{WZ}}{\delta A_{\mu}} = (0, \frac{s}{2} \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_{j} \rho). \tag{29}$$

This is the well-known Mermin-Muzikar edge current [34] responsible for the macroscopic angular momentum of the chiral ground state

$$L_{\rm GS} = \int d^2x \epsilon_{ij} x^i \mathcal{J}_{\rm edge}^j = s \int d^2x \rho.$$
 (30)

Second, the stress tensor is also modified compared with the ideal fluid result (17). Indeed from the variation of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Lagrangian (8) can be obtained from (3) in a similar way as for the normal superfluid. A physical difference is that the Goldstone boson  $\theta$  is shifted by both  $U(1)_N$  and  $SO(2)_V$  transformations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The effective theory can also be used for the low-energy description of anyon superfluids. In particular, for anyons with the statistical phase angle  $\theta = \pi(1 - 1/n)$  [28] we must fix s = (n - 1/n)/2. Similar to the chiral superfluid, our construction is valid only if the gyromagnetic ratio and the spin of the anyon are fine-tuned to satisfy Eq. (13). This restriction can be easily relaxed by following arguments of [13].

the connection under a small variation of the metric [19]

$$\delta\omega_{t} = -\frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{in}g^{jk}\partial_{t}g_{nk}\delta g_{ij} - \frac{1}{4}Bg^{ij}\delta g_{ij},$$

$$\delta\omega_{l} = -\frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{in}g^{jk}\partial_{l}g_{nk}\delta g_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{jk}\partial_{j}\delta g_{lk}$$

$$+\frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{mk}\partial_{m}g_{lk}g^{ij}\delta g_{ij}$$

$$(31)$$

we find

$$\delta S_{WZ} = -s \int dt d\mathbf{x} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \delta\omega_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho} \tag{32}$$

which gives rise to the modification<sup>8</sup>

$$\Delta T_{WZ}^{ij} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S_{WZ}}{\delta g_{ij}}$$

$$= (v^i \mathcal{J}_{\text{edge}}^j + v^j \mathcal{J}_{\text{edge}}^i) + T_{\text{Hall}}^{ij} - \frac{s^2}{4} \rho R g^{ij},$$
(33)

where we introduced the Hall viscosity stress tensor [35–37]

$$T_{\text{Hall}}^{ij} = -\eta_H(\varepsilon^{ik}g^{jl} + \varepsilon^{jk}g^{il})V_{kl} \tag{34}$$

with  $V_{kl} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left( \nabla_k v_l + \nabla_l v_k + \partial_t g_{kl} \right)$  and  $\eta_H = -\frac{s}{2} \rho$ . In summary, the dual Wen-Zee term leads to the parity and time reversal violating effects such as the edge current and the Hall viscosity. For a detailed discussion of these effects we refer to [19, 37].

Now that we have the stress tensor, it is straightforward to demonstrate that the invariance of the action under a small spatial diffeomorphism  $\xi^i$ 

$$S[a_{\mu} + \delta a_{\mu}, A_{\nu} + \delta A_{\nu}, g_{ij} + \delta g_{ij}] = S[a_{\mu}, A_{\nu}, g_{ij}], (35)$$

implies the Euler equation

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}\partial_t(\sqrt{g}J_k) + \nabla_i T_k^i = E_k J^t + \varepsilon_{ik} J^i B, \qquad (36)$$

where we introduced  $T_k^i \equiv T^{ij}g_{jk}$  and the total  $U(1)_N$  current  $J^{\mu} \equiv \mathcal{J}^{\mu} + \mathcal{J}_{\text{edge}}^{\mu}$ .

Finally, it is instructive to demonstrate how the hydrodynamic conservation equations arise in the dual formalism. As noted above, the conservation of the particle density is simply encoded in the Bianchi identity (6). On the other hand, the Euler-Lagrange equations give rise to the vorticity and hydrodynamic Euler equations. Indeed, since the daul gauge field always appears with a derivative, the equations of motion are given by

$$\partial_{\mu} \left[ \sqrt{g} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{ch}}{\partial \partial_{\mu} a_{\nu}} \right] = 0, \tag{37}$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_{ch} = \mathcal{L}_{sf} + \mathcal{L}_{WZ}$ . The Gauss law  $(\nu = t)$  reads

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}\partial_i \left(\sqrt{g}\frac{e^i}{b}\right) = B + \frac{s}{2}R\tag{38}$$

or in the covariant form

$$g^{ij}\nabla_i \frac{e_j}{h} = B + \frac{s}{2}R. \tag{39}$$

The external magnetic field and Ricci curvature play the role of a background smooth charge distribution for the dual gauge field. If we define the vorticity  $W \equiv \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{ij}\nabla_i v_j = \frac{1}{2}\nabla_i \frac{e^i}{b}$ , the Gauss law becomes the vorticity equation

$$2W = B + \frac{s}{2}R. \tag{40}$$

It is straightforward to check that the spatial components  $(\nu = k)$  of Eq. (37) give rise to the Euler equation. In terms of the hydrodynamic variables it is given by

$$D_t v_k + \frac{\nabla_k P}{\rho} = E_k + s E_{\omega k} + (B + s B_{\omega}) \, \varepsilon_{ik} v^i, \quad (41)$$

where we introduced the material derivative  $D_t \equiv \partial_t + v \cdot \nabla$  and used the Gauss equation (39). Although it is not manifest, this equation is equivalent to Eq. (36).

#### III. VORTICES

It is evident from Eq. (40) that, in the presence of a background magnetic field B, a two-dimensional superfluid carries vorticity. Moreover, in a chiral superfluid the vorticity is also sourced by the Ricci curvature R of two-dimensional space. While any regular superfluid flow is necessarily irrotational, the vorticity in a superfluid originates from singular solutions known as quantum vortices. Due to conservation of the topological winding number in a static background, the total number of vortices is strictly conserved in that case. Locally this leads to the conservation law

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}\partial_t(\sqrt{g}J_v^t) + \nabla_i J_v^i = 0, \tag{42}$$

where we introduced the topological vortex current  $J_v^{\mu}$ . In terms of the Goldstone field  $\theta$  this current is given by

$$J_v^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\pi} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \partial_{\nu} \partial_{\rho} \theta, \tag{43}$$

which implies  $J_v \sim \mathcal{O}(p)$  in our power counting scheme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> We used the Gauss law (39) to obtain the term  $\sim s^2$  in Eq. (33).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The prefactor  $1/\pi$  in Eq. (43) appears in the case of a fermionic superfluid. Note that for a bosonic superfluid the prefactor is two times smaller.

Consider a superfluid living on a closed spatial manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ . Since in a fermionic superfluid a vortex carries  $\pi/2$  units of vorticity, we can use Eq. (40) and find that the total number of vortices is given by

$$N_v = \int d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} J_v^0 = \frac{\Phi}{\pi} + 2s\chi, \tag{44}$$

where  $\Phi = \int d\mathbf{x}\sqrt{g}B$  is the total magnetic flux piercing  $\mathcal{M}$  and the Euler characteristic  $\chi = 2 - 2g$ , where g is the genus of  $\mathcal{M}$ . This is the reason why for the chiral superfluid the total number of vortices is sensitive to the topology of the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ . For example, for a  $p_x \pm ip_y$  superfluid on a sphere in the absence of magnetic flux one finds  $N_v = \pm 2$ . The formula (44) is analogous to the one in the quantum Hall effect, with the second term known as the shift [27].

Now we will extend our effective theory by adding the vortex part to the dual Lagrangian. This is relevant if vortices are present in the ground state, which happens if the right-hand-side of Eq. (44) is nonvanishing. Since the vortex current is conserved it can be dualized

$$J_{\nu}^{\mu} = \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \partial_{\nu} b_{\rho}, \tag{45}$$

where we introduced the gauge field  $b_{\rho} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  dual to the vortex current. This field transforms as a one-form under general coordinate transformations. Up to the next-to-leading order in our power counting we can now generically add to the Lagrangian the following terms<sup>10</sup> that are general coordinate invariant

$$\mathcal{L}_{v} = -\tilde{q}_{v} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} a_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} b_{\rho} - q_{v} \left( \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} A_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} b_{\rho} - \frac{g^{ij} e_{i}^{v} e_{j}^{v}}{2b^{v}} \right) + \frac{\nu_{b}}{4\pi} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} b_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} b_{\rho}, \tag{46}$$

where we defined  $b^{\mathbf{v}} \equiv \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_i b_j$  and  $e_j^{\mathbf{v}} \equiv \partial_t b_j - \partial_j b_t$ . Our normalization of the current (43) also implies  $\tilde{q}_v = -\pi$ . The first two terms make the vortex charged with respect to  $a_{\mu}$  and  $A_{\mu}$  respectively, while the third term transmutes its quantum statistics [38]. It is well-known that in a conventional two-dimensional superfluid the vortex is a point-like boson that is charged with respect to the dual gauge field  $a_{\mu}$ , but is neutral with respect to  $A_{\mu}$ [39, 40]. For this reason  $q_v = \nu_b = 0$  for the conventional superfluid. On the other hand, vortices are known to be abelian anyons in a chiral superfluid [41], which implies  $\nu_b \neq 0$ . In addition, in the weakly coupled BCS phase they accommodate gappless Majorana fermionic modes which can be included in the effective theory [42, 43]. We defer better understanding of of the vortex physics in chiral superfluids to a future work.

#### IV. RELATIVISTIC SUPERFLUID AND NONRELATIVISTIC LIMIT

In this section we demonstrate that one can obtain the chiral superfluid as the nonrelativistic limit  $(c \to \infty)$  of the relativistic superfluid found recently in [1]. A similar procedure was used in [44] to derive nonrelativistic invariant actions for Hall systems.

Here we briefly review the construction of [1]. The relativistic theory is formulated in the dual language, where the relativistic U(1) current

$$j^{\mu} = \mathfrak{n}\mathfrak{u}^{\mu} = \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}\partial_{\nu}\mathfrak{a}_{\rho}. \tag{47}$$

Here the relativistic dual gauge field  $\mathfrak{a}_{\mu} \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1})$  was introduced. The three-velocity satisfies  $\mathfrak{u}^{\mu}\mathfrak{u}_{\mu} = -1$ . The effective theory is defined by the gauge invariant action

$$S = \int d^3x \sqrt{|\mathfrak{g}|} \Big( \underbrace{\mathcal{L}_0}_{\mathcal{O}(1)} + \underbrace{\mathcal{L}_1}_{\mathcal{O}(p)} \Big), \tag{48}$$

where  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mu\nu}$  is the spacetime metric and  $\mathfrak{g} \equiv \det \mathfrak{g}_{\mu\nu}$ . The leading order Lagrangian is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = -\epsilon^{rel}(\mathfrak{n})/c - \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \mathfrak{A}_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \mathfrak{a}_{\lambda}, \tag{49}$$

where  $e^{rel}(\mathfrak{n})$  is the relativistic energy density as the function of  $\mathfrak{n} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{f}_{\mu\nu}\mathfrak{f}^{\mu\nu}/2}$  ( $\mathfrak{f}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}\mathfrak{a}_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}\mathfrak{a}_{\mu}$ ), and  $\mathfrak{A}_{\mu}$  is the background U(1) gauge field.

Up to redefinitions the subleading part of the Lagrangian can be written as  $^{11}$ 

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \xi(\mathfrak{n})\mathfrak{F}_{\mu\nu}\mathfrak{f}^{\mu\nu} + \kappa\mathfrak{a}_{\mu}\mathfrak{J}^{\mu},\tag{50}$$

where  $\mathfrak{F}_{\mu\nu}$  is the field strength of the U(1) gauge field  $\mathfrak{A}_{\mu}$  and the Euler topological current is

$$\mathfrak{J}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \mathfrak{u}_{\alpha} \left( \nabla_{\nu} \mathfrak{u}_{\beta} \nabla_{\lambda} \mathfrak{u}_{\gamma} - \frac{1}{2} R_{\nu\lambda\beta\gamma} \right). \tag{51}$$

As explained in [1], the Euler current is identically conserved, i.e.,  $\nabla_{\mu} \mathfrak{J}^{\mu} = 0$ . While  $\xi(\mathfrak{n})$  can not be fixed by a symmetry argument only, the gauge invariance requires  $\kappa$  to be a constant. For a detailed discussion of the Euler current and the effective theory of the relativistic superfluid we refer the reader to [1].

First, we perform the nonrelativistic limit for the conventional superfluid defined by the leading-order Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_0$ . To this end we use

$$x^{\mu} = (ct, x^{i}), \qquad \partial_{\mu} = (c^{-1}\partial_{t}, \partial_{i}),$$
  

$$\mathfrak{A}_{\mu} = (c^{-1}\mathfrak{A}_{t}, \mathfrak{A}_{i}), \qquad \mathfrak{a}_{\mu} = (c^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_{t}, \mathfrak{a}_{i})$$
(52)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Note that an additional general coordinate invariant term  $f(b)\varepsilon^{ij}\partial_i b_j$  can be eliminated from the vortex Lagrangian by the redefinition  $a_\mu \to a_\mu + \sigma(b)b_\mu$  with a properly chosen function  $\sigma(b)$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> One may argue that additional terms are allowed. For example,  $f(n)\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda}u_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}u_{\lambda}\sim\mathcal{O}(p)$  should be included into  $\mathcal{L}_{1}$ . This term, however, can be eliminated by the redefinition  $\mathfrak{a}_{\mu}\to\mathfrak{a}_{\mu}+\chi(\mathfrak{n})u_{\mu}$  with the properly chosen function  $\chi(\mathfrak{n})$ . Our choice of  $\chi(\mathfrak{n})$  differs from [1], where it was chosen to eliminate the term  $\xi(\mathfrak{n})\mathfrak{F}_{\mu\nu}\mathfrak{f}^{\mu\nu}$  but keep  $f(n)\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda}u_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}u_{\lambda}$ .

and decompose the relativistic energy density into the rest mass part and the internal part, i.e.,

$$\epsilon^{rel} = \mathfrak{n}c^2 + \epsilon. \tag{53}$$

In addition, in the nonrelativistic regime it is convenient to parametrize the metric in terms of  $g_{ij}$ ,  $A_i$  and  $A_t$  [10]

$$\mathfrak{g}_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 - \frac{2\mathcal{A}_t}{c^2} - \frac{\mathcal{A}_i}{c} \\ -\frac{\mathcal{A}_i}{c} & g_{ij} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{54}$$

Relativistic covariance implies that  $\mathcal{A}_{\mu}$  transforms as the gauge field in Eq. (12) under spatial diffeomorphisms.

Now using

$$|\mathfrak{g}| = \left[1 + \frac{2\mathcal{A}_t + \mathcal{A}_i \mathcal{A}^i}{c^2}\right] g + \mathcal{O}(1/c^4),$$

$$\mathfrak{n} = b - \frac{e^2}{2bc^2} - \frac{\varepsilon^{ij}\mathcal{A}_i e_j}{c^2} - \frac{\mathcal{A}_i \mathcal{A}^i b}{2c^2} + \mathcal{O}(1/c^4)$$
(55)

we arrive at

$$S_0 = -c^2 \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g}b + \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} \mathcal{L}_{sf} + \mathcal{O}(1/c^2). \quad (56)$$

Here  $\mathcal{L}_{sf}$  is given by Eq. (8), where we identified the  $U(1)_N$  gauge potential  $A_{\mu} = \mathfrak{A}_{\mu} + \mathcal{A}_{\mu}$ . After subtracting the rest mass term<sup>12</sup> from  $S_0$  one recovers the nonrelativistic theory (8) describing the conventional superfluid. Notably the action depends only on the linear combination  $\mathfrak{A}_{\mu} + \mathcal{A}_{\mu}$ , but not on  $\mathfrak{A}_{\mu}$  and  $\mathcal{A}_{\mu}$  separately. Physically this means that the momentum density must be proportional to the particle number current, which within our conventions can be written simply as

$$J^i = T^{0i}. (57)$$

This is not a surprise since this result is valid for  $A_i = 0$  in any general coordinate invariant system composed of single species of particles provided Eq. (13) is fulfilled [10, 13, 24].

Now we perform the nonrelativistic limit of the subleading Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_1$ . As demonstrated in Appendix D, in this limit the Euler current is given by

$$\mathfrak{J}^{0} = \frac{B_{\omega}}{4\pi} + \mathcal{O}(1/c^{2}),$$

$$\mathfrak{J}^{i} = -\frac{\varepsilon^{ij}(E_{\omega j} + \partial_{j}\mathfrak{B}/2)}{4\pi c} + \mathcal{O}(1/c^{3}),$$
(58)

where we introduced the magnetic field constructed from  $\mathfrak{A}_i$ , i.e.,  $\mathfrak{B} = \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_i \mathfrak{A}_j$ . As a result, we find

$$S_{1} = \frac{\kappa}{4\pi} \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} \left( a_{t} B_{\omega} - \varepsilon^{ij} a_{i} \{ E_{\omega j} + \partial_{j} \mathfrak{B}/2 \} \right) + 2c \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} \xi(b) b \mathfrak{B} + \mathcal{O}(1/c).$$

$$(59)$$

In the following we will assume  $\xi(b) \sim 1/c$ , which leads to a finite nonrelativistic limit. Moreover, the requirement (57) fixes  $\xi(b)$  to be

$$\xi(b) = \frac{\kappa}{8\pi c} + \mathcal{O}(1/c^3) \tag{60}$$

leading finally to

$$S_1 = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} \mathcal{L}_{WZ} + \mathcal{O}(1/c^2)$$
 (61)

with  $s = -\kappa/4\pi$ . This proves that the relativistic superfluid defined by Eqs. (48)-(50) reduces to the chiral superfluid is the nonrelativistic limit.

Finally we must emphasize that the condition (60) is a direct consequence of Eq. (13) which is assumed to be true throughout this paper. For  $g_{\psi}-2s_{\psi}\neq 0$  one must fix  $\xi(b)$  differently since in that case Eq. (60) is generalized to [13]

$$J^{i} = T^{0i} - \frac{g_{\psi} - 2s_{\psi}}{2} \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_{j} J^{0}. \tag{62}$$

For example, if one sets  $g_{\psi} - 2s_{\psi} = -\kappa/(4\pi)$  then  $\xi(b)$  must vanish in the nonrelativistic limit, i.e.,  $\xi(b) = \mathcal{O}(1/c^3)$ .

#### V. NEWTON-CARTAN FORMALISM

So far we imposed nonrelativistic general coordinate invariance only under spatial diffeomorphisms  $\xi^i(t, \mathbf{x})$ . It is possible to include also the symmetry under temporal diffeomorphisms  $\xi^t(t, \mathbf{x})$  which generate a local reparametrization of time. This extended version of nonrelativistic general coordinate invariance under  $\xi^{\mu}(t, \mathbf{x})$  with  $\mu = (t, i)$  was first demonstrated to be valid for a theory of nonrelativistic particles with no interactions [45] and more recently for the theory of fractional quantum Hall effect [13] (see also [12, 14–17]). Here we will assume the invariance of the effective theory of superfluids with respect to temporal and spatial diffeomorphisms, which leads to the following transformation rule for the background fields [13, 45]

$$\delta A_{t} = -\xi^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} A_{t} - A_{\mu} \dot{\xi}^{\mu},$$

$$\delta A_{i} = -\xi^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} A_{i} - A_{\mu} \partial_{i} \xi^{\mu} + e^{\Phi} g_{ij} \dot{\xi}^{j},$$

$$\delta \Phi = -\xi^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \Phi + \dot{\xi}^{t} - C_{i} \dot{\xi}^{i},$$

$$\delta C_{i} = -\xi^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} C_{i} - C_{j} \partial_{i} \xi^{j} + \partial_{i} \xi^{t} + C_{i} (\dot{\xi}^{t} - C_{j} \dot{\xi}^{j}),$$

$$\delta g_{ij} = -\xi^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} g_{ij} - g_{kj} \partial_{i} \xi^{k} - g_{ik} \partial_{j} \xi^{k} - (C_{i} g_{jk} + C_{j} g_{ik}) \dot{\xi}^{k},$$
(63)

where  $C^i \equiv g^{ij}C_j$  and  $\xi^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} \equiv \xi^t\partial_t + \xi^i\partial_i$ . This is a generalization of Eq. (12). Here we introduced two additional background fields  $\Phi$  and  $C_i$  which couple to the energy density and current respectively (see Sec. VI for more details).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> The first term in (56) can be removed by adding an appropriate chemical potential. This is achieved by shifting  $\mathfrak{A}_0$  as  $\mathfrak{A}_0 = -c + \mathfrak{A}_t/c$ .

The transformation rules (63) for  $\Phi$ ,  $C_i$  and  $g_{ij}$  follow most naturally from Newton-Cartan geometry which was developed by Cartan with intention to geometrize Newtonian gravity. We will briefly review its basics here and refer the reader to [11–17] for a detailed presentation. Subsequently, the covariant formulation of the effective theory of the conventional and chiral superfluid will be presented in Newton-Cartan spacetime.

#### A. Geometry

A Newton-Cartan spacetime is a manifold that comes with a degenerate metric tensor with upper indices  $g_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu}$ , a one-form  $n_{\mu}$  and a velocity vector  $V^{\mu}$  with the properties

$$n_{\mu}g_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu} = 0, \qquad n_{\mu}V^{\mu} = 1.$$
 (64)

Given  $(g_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu}, n_{\mu}, V^{\mu})$ , we can uniquely introduce the metric tensor with lower indices  $g_{\mu\nu}^{\rm nc}$  by imposing the conditions

$$g_{\rm nc}^{\mu\rho}g_{\rho\nu}^{\rm nc} = \delta_{\nu}^{\mu} - V^{\mu}n_{\nu}, \qquad g_{\mu\nu}^{\rm nc}V^{\nu} = 0.$$
 (65)

Now we can define a connection

$$\Gamma^{\rho}_{\mu\nu} \equiv V^{\rho} \partial_{\mu} n_{\nu} + \frac{1}{2} g^{\rho\sigma}_{\rm nc} \left( \partial_{\mu} g^{\rm nc}_{\nu\sigma} + \partial_{\nu} g^{\rm nc}_{\mu\sigma} - \partial_{\sigma} g^{\rm nc}_{\mu\nu} \right)$$
 (66)

in Newton-Cartan spacetime. Notably, the connection is not symmetric in the lower indices which gives rise to the nontrivial torsion tensor

$$T^{\rho}_{\mu\nu} \equiv 2\Gamma^{\rho}_{[\mu\nu]} = 2V^{\rho}\partial_{[\mu}n_{\nu]}. \tag{67}$$

Obviously, the torsion vanishes provided the form  $n_{\mu}$  is closed, i.e.,  $dn = \partial_{[\mu} n_{\nu]} = 0$ . Here we will impose a weaker condition, namely  $n \wedge dn = n_{[\mu} \partial_{\nu} n_{\rho]} = 0$  which insures an absolute notion of space. This follows from Frobenius theorem because in this case there is a unique spatial slicing of Newton-Cartan spacetime which  $n_{\mu}$  is normal to. We mention that in the language of [12, 14, 15, 17] the torsion considered in this paper is purely temporal. A more general Newton-Cartan geometry with spatial torsion was discussed in [12, 15, 17].

To make connection with the transformation law (63) we use the following parametrization [13]

$$n_{\mu} = \left(e^{-\Phi}, -e^{-\Phi}C_{i}\right), \qquad V^{\mu} = \left(\frac{e^{\Phi}(1 + C_{j}v^{j})}{e^{\Phi}v^{i}}\right),$$
(68)

which is consistent with  $n \cdot V = 1$ . Since  $n_{\mu}$  and  $V^{\mu}$  transform in Newton-Cartan spacetime simply as

$$\delta n_{\mu} = -\xi^{\kappa} \partial_{\kappa} n_{\mu} - n_{\kappa} \partial_{\mu} \xi^{\kappa},$$
  

$$\delta V^{\mu} = -\xi^{\kappa} \partial_{\kappa} V^{\mu} + V^{\kappa} \partial_{\kappa} \xi^{\mu},$$
(69)

we can easily reproduce the last three equations in (63) with the help of Eq. (68). In addition, the parametrization (68) implies the following expressions for the metric tensor

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{\rm nc} = \begin{pmatrix} v^2 & -v_j - v^2 C_j \\ -v_i - v^2 C_i & g_{ij} + v_i C_j + v_j C_i + v^2 C_i C_j \end{pmatrix},$$

$$g_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} C^2 & C^j \\ C^i & g^{ij} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(70)

Finally, we notice that the condition  $n \wedge dn = n_{[\mu} \partial_{\nu} n_{\rho]} = 0$  leads to the constraint on the source  $C_i$ 

$$\epsilon^{ij}[\partial_i C_j + C_i \partial_t C_j] = 0. (71)$$

While  $A_{\mu}$  does not transform as a one-form under non-relativistic general coordinate transformations, we can modify it as follows [13]

$$\tilde{A}_t \equiv A_t + \frac{1}{2} e^{\Phi} g_{ij} v^i v^j, 
\tilde{A}_i \equiv A_i - e^{\Phi} g_{ij} v^j - \frac{1}{2} e^{\Phi} g_{kl} v^k v^l C_i.$$
(72)

A simple derivation of Eq. (72) can be found in [17]. Using Eqs. (68) and (69), one can check that  $\tilde{A}_{\mu}$  transforms as a one-form, i.e.,

$$\delta \tilde{A}_{\mu} = -\xi^{\kappa} \partial_{\kappa} \tilde{A}_{\mu} - \tilde{A}_{\kappa} \partial_{\mu} \xi^{\kappa}. \tag{73}$$

In the following we will need a spin connection in Newton-Cartan geometry. Within Newton-Cartan formalism it is given by

$$\omega_{\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ab} e^{a\nu} \nabla^{nc}_{\mu} e^{b}_{\nu}, \tag{74}$$

where  $\nabla_{\mu}^{nc}$  stands for the covariant derivative in Newton-Cartan spacetime and  $e_{\mu}^{a}$  denotes the vielbein with a=1,2. For  $\Phi=C_{i}=0$  the components of  $\omega_{\mu}$  were calculated in [11, 19]. It is straightforward to generalize the construction to the case of non-vanishing  $\Phi$  and  $C_{i}$ . Indeed, in this case  $e_{\mu}^{a}$  can be parametrized using the spatial vielbein  $e_{i}^{a}$ , spatial velocity  $v^{i}$  and the source  $C_{i}$ 

$$e^{a}_{\mu} = \left(-v^{j}e^{a}_{j}, e^{a}_{i} + C_{i}v^{j}e^{a}_{j}\right), \qquad e^{a\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} C_{j}e^{aj} \\ e^{ai} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$(75)$$

One can easily check that  $e^a_{\mu} = g^{\rm nc}_{\mu\nu} e^{a\nu}$  and  $e^{a\mu} = g^{\mu\nu}_{\rm nc} e^{a'}_{\nu}$ . In addition,  $g^{\rm nc}_{\mu\nu} = e^a_{\mu} e^a_{\nu}$  and  $g^{\mu\nu}_{\rm nc} = e^{a\mu} e^{a\nu}$ . This form is also consistent with the orthogonality requirements  $e^a_{\mu} V^{\mu} = 0$ ,  $n_{\mu} e^{a\mu} = 0$ . One can thus interpret  $V^{\mu}$  and  $n_{\mu}$  as vielbein vector and one-form with a = 0.

Given Eq. (74), we find

$$\omega_{\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ab} e^{a\nu} \left[ \partial_{\mu} e^{b}_{\nu} - \underbrace{V^{\lambda} \partial_{\mu} n_{\nu} e^{b}_{\lambda}}_{=0} - \frac{1}{2} g^{\lambda \rho}_{nc} \left( \partial_{\mu} g^{nc}_{\nu \rho} + \partial_{\nu} g^{nc}_{\mu \rho} - \partial_{\rho} g^{nc}_{\mu \nu} \right) e^{b}_{\lambda} \right] 
= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ab} e^{a\nu} \left[ \partial_{\mu} e^{b}_{\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \partial_{\mu} g^{nc}_{\nu \rho} + \partial_{\nu} g^{nc}_{\mu \rho} - \partial_{\rho} g^{nc}_{\mu \nu} \right) e^{b\rho} \right] 
= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ab} e^{a\nu} \partial_{\mu} e^{b}_{\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ab} e^{a\nu} e^{b\rho} \partial_{\nu} g^{nc}_{\mu \rho}.$$
(76)

Written in components

$$\omega_{t} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \epsilon^{ab} e^{aj} \partial_{t} e^{b}_{j} + \varepsilon^{ij} \left[ \partial_{i} v_{j} + \partial_{t} (C_{i} v_{j}) \right] \right),$$

$$\omega_{i} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \epsilon^{ab} e^{aj} \partial_{i} e^{b}_{j} - \varepsilon^{jk} \left[ \partial_{j} g_{ik} + v_{j} \partial_{i} C_{k} + \partial_{j} (v_{k} C_{i}) + v^{2} C_{i} \partial_{j} C_{k} \right] -$$

$$\varepsilon^{jk} C_{j} \left[ \partial_{t} g_{ik} + \partial_{t} (v_{k} C_{i}) + v^{2} C_{i} \partial_{t} C_{k} \right] \right),$$

$$(77)$$

where the constraint (71) was used. In the following we will need only the terms that are linear in  $C_i$ , hence it is sufficient to write

$$\omega_{t} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \epsilon^{ab} e^{aj} \partial_{t} e_{j}^{b} + \epsilon^{ij} \left[ \partial_{i} v_{j} + \partial_{t} (C_{i} v_{j}) \right] \right),$$

$$\omega_{i} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \epsilon^{ab} e^{aj} \partial_{i} e_{j}^{b} - \epsilon^{jk} \left[ \partial_{j} g_{ik} + v_{j} \partial_{i} C_{k} + \partial_{j} (v_{k} C_{i}) + C_{j} \partial_{t} g_{ik} \right] \right) + \mathcal{O}(C^{2}).$$

$$(78)$$

The expression (22) is recovered when  $v_i$  is equal to the superfluid velocity. This can be seen as a gauge fixing of the Newton-Cartan geometry.

### B. Covariant description of superfluids

We are now in position to write the action of the non-relativistic superfluid in covariant form in the Newton-Cartan formalism. For the conventional superfluid we find

$$S = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{\gamma} \left[ \rho V^{\mu} (\partial_{\mu} \theta - \tilde{A}_{\mu}) - \epsilon(\rho) \right], \tag{79}$$

where we introduced the superfluid density  $\rho$  that transforms as a scalar, i.e.,  $\delta \rho = -\xi^{\kappa} \partial_{\kappa} \rho$ . In addition, we defined  $\gamma_{\mu\nu} \equiv g_{\mu\nu}^{\rm nc} + n_{\mu}n_{\nu}$  [46] with the determinant  $\gamma = e^{-2\Phi}g$ . Eq. (79) is a generalization of our construction in [19] to the case with nonvanishing  $\Phi$  and  $C_i$ . For completeness, in Appendix A we rewrite the theory solely in terms of the Goldstone boson field  $\theta$ .

It is straightforward to generalize this construction to the case of the chiral superfluid which in Newton-Cartan formalism is described by the action

$$S = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{\gamma} \left[ \rho V^{\mu} (\partial_{\mu} \theta - \tilde{A}_{\mu} - s\omega_{\mu}) - \epsilon(\rho) \right]. \tag{80}$$

In this formulation the current is convective

$$J^{\mu} \equiv -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta A_{\mu}} = \rho V^{\mu} \tag{81}$$

which implies that in Newton-Cartan geometry the scalar  $\rho$  can be constructed covariantly as

$$\rho = n_{\mu} J^{\mu}. \tag{82}$$

In the special case  $\Phi = C_i = 0$ , it is easy to solve the equations of motion for  $\rho$  and  $v^i$  with the result

$$\mathcal{D}_t \theta = -v^i \mathcal{D}_i \theta - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} v^i v^j + \epsilon'(\rho)$$

$$v^i = -g^{ij} \mathcal{D}_j \theta + \frac{s}{2} \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_j \ln \rho,$$
(83)

where  $\mathcal{D}_i\theta=\partial_i\theta-A_i-s\omega_i$ . Note that in Newton-Cartan formalism the superfluid velocity  $v^i$  is given by (minus) the covariant derivative of the Goldstone field plus an additional term that is proportional and perpendicular to the gradient of the superfluid density. This term is responsible for the edge part of the current that appears in the ground state in the presence of inhomogeneties and gives rise to the angular momentum (30). Also due to this extra term, in the present formulation one finds  $T^{ij}=T^{ij}_{\text{ideal}}+T^{ij}_{\text{Hall}}$ . Finally, we will generalize the dual description of a

Finally, we will generalize the dual description of a superfluid presented in Sec. II to the covariant form in Newton-Cartan spacetime. First, from Eqs. (79) and (80) we notice that for  $\Phi \neq 0$  the conservation equation of particle number is given by

$$\partial_{\mu} \left( \sqrt{\gamma} J^{\mu} \right) = 0, \tag{84}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Since the superfluid velocity has no unique definition in the microscopic theory, its redefinition is allowed and is known as the frame transformation in the theory of hydrodynamics [47].

which is identically satisfied by

$$J^{\mu} = \varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu\rho} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho}, \tag{85}$$

where we introduced  $\varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu\rho} \equiv \sqrt{\gamma}^{-1} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}$ . In Newton-Cartan spacetime  $\varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu\rho}$  transforms as a tensor.<sup>14</sup> Given this tensor and the current  $J^{\mu}$  that transforms as a vector

$$\delta J^{\mu} = -\xi^{\kappa} \partial_{\kappa} J^{\mu} + J^{\kappa} \partial_{k} \xi^{\mu}, \tag{86}$$

the gauge potential must transform simply as a one-form

$$\delta a_{\mu} = -\xi^{\kappa} \partial_{\kappa} a_{\mu} - a_{\kappa} \partial_{\mu} \xi^{\kappa}. \tag{87}$$

The dual theory of the conventional superfluid in Newton-Cartan spacetime is given by the action

$$S = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{\gamma} \mathcal{L}_{sf} \tag{88}$$

with the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = -\epsilon(\rho) - \varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu\rho} \tilde{A}_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho}, \tag{89}$$

where  $\rho = n_{\mu}J^{\mu} = \varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu\rho}n_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}a_{\rho}$  or using the parametrization (68) one finds  $\rho = b + \varepsilon^{ij}C_ie_j$ . This Lagrangian follows directly from Eq. (79). Using the equation of motion

$$v^i = -\frac{\varepsilon^{ij} e_j}{\rho} \tag{90}$$

we can eliminate the velocity field  $v^i$  and rewrite the Lagrangian as

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = e^{2\Phi} \frac{g^{ij} e_i e_j}{2\rho} - \epsilon(\rho) - e^{\Phi} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} A_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho}, \qquad (91)$$

which is the generalization of Eq. (8) to the case with nonvanishing  $\Phi$  and  $C_i$ .

The covariant form of the dual theory of a chiral superfluid in Newton-Cartan geometry is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{ch} = \mathcal{L}_{sf} + \mathcal{L}_{WZ}$$

$$= -\epsilon(\rho) - \varepsilon_{nc}^{\mu\nu\rho} \tilde{A}_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho} - \varepsilon_{nc}^{\mu\nu\rho} \omega_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho}. \tag{92}$$

#### VI. ENERGY CURRENT

Provided the background sources are static, the system has time translation symmetry. By Noether theorem this leads to the conservation of the energy current  $J^{\mu}_{\epsilon}$ . The Newton-Cartan formalism developed above is a convenient framework for the calculation of  $J^{\mu}_{\epsilon}$ . The current is defined by

$$\delta S = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{\gamma} J_{\epsilon}^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \xi^{t}, \qquad (93)$$

which follows from the invariance of the effective action under (global) time translations. Employing now Eq. (63) we find

$$J_{\epsilon}^{t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}e^{-\Phi}} \left( \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Phi} - \frac{\delta S}{\delta A_{0}} A_{0} + \frac{\delta S}{\delta C_{i}} C_{i} \right) \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Phi},$$

$$J_{\epsilon}^{i} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}e^{-\Phi}} \left( \frac{\delta S}{\delta C_{i}} - \frac{\delta S}{\delta A_{i}} A_{0} \right) \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta C_{i}},$$
(94)

where the most right expressions are valid provided  $A_0 = \Phi = C_i = 0$ . This explains why  $\Phi$  and  $C_i$  serve as external sources for the energy density and current, respectively.

By applying now the prescription (94) to the action (79) we first calculate the energy current of the conventional superfluid. For  $A_0 = \Phi = C_i = 0$  one finds

$$J_{\epsilon,\text{ideal}}^{t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Phi} = \frac{1}{2} \rho g_{kl} v^{k} v^{l} + \epsilon(\rho),$$

$$J_{\epsilon,\text{ideal}}^{i} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta C_{i}} = \rho \mathcal{D}_{t} \theta v^{i}$$

$$= \left(P + \epsilon(\rho) + \frac{1}{2} \rho g_{kl} v^{k} v^{l}\right) v^{i},$$
(95)

which is the well-known result for an ideal fluid. In the second equation we used the equations of motion (83) with s = 0 and the relation  $P + \epsilon(\rho) = \rho \epsilon'(\rho)$ .

Now we are ready to calculate how the energy current (95) is modified in the chiral superfluid. For simplicity we will only consider the background  $A_0 = \Phi = C_i = 0$ . Since

$$S_{WZ} = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{\gamma} \mathcal{L}_{WZ} \tag{96}$$

does not depend on  $\Phi$  , we find

$$J_{\epsilon}^{t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Phi} = \frac{1}{2} \rho g_{kl} v^{k} v^{l} + \epsilon(\rho). \tag{97}$$

Hence there is no correction to the energy density compared to the conventional superfluid. On the other hand, the modification of the spatial energy current is nontrivial. Indeed, for the chiral superfluid we find

$$\delta S = \int dt d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{g} \rho \left[ \delta C_l v^l \mathcal{D}_t \theta - s \delta \omega_t - s v^l \delta \omega_l \right]$$
 (98)

with

$$\delta\omega_{t} = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{ij}\partial_{t}(\delta C_{i}v_{j}),$$

$$\delta\omega_{i} = -\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{jk}\left[v_{j}\partial_{i}\delta C_{k} + \partial_{j}(v_{k}\delta C_{i}) + \delta C_{j}\partial_{t}g_{ik}\right],$$
(99)

where Eq. (78) was applied. In Appendix E the resulting energy current is found to be given by

$$J_{\epsilon}^{l} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta C_{i}}$$

$$= J_{\epsilon, \text{ideal}}^{l} + \frac{s}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_{t} (\sqrt{g} \rho) + \nabla_{i} (\rho v^{i}) \right] \varepsilon^{lj} v_{j} + T_{\text{Hall}}^{lm} v_{m}.$$
(100)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> This can be demonstrated by using the identity  $\varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu\rho}\partial_{\kappa}\xi^{\kappa} = \varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu\kappa}\partial_{\kappa}\xi^{\rho} + \epsilon_{\rm nc}^{\mu\kappa\rho}\partial_{\kappa}\xi^{\nu} + \varepsilon_{\rm nc}^{\kappa\nu\rho}\partial_{\kappa}\xi^{\mu}$ .

The second term vanishes if the equations of motion are used. The last term is the correction due to the modification of the stress tensor. A similar correction also arises in dissipative Navier-Stokes hydrodynamics [48] and parity-violating hydrodynamics of normal fluids [49].

#### VII. CONCLUSION

In this paper we have constructed the leading order terms in the effective action of conventional and chiral two-dimensional fermionic superfluids using the dual gauge field formulation. A similar low-energy description for superconductors is the "BF" model of [42, 43, 50], with the important difference that for the superfluid the action is not purely topological due to the presence of a gapless Goldstone mode.

Compared to other works, we impose nonrelativistic diffeomorphism invariance [10] that puts stringent constraints on the form of the effective action. It also allows us to consider superfluids living on curved manifolds. We use the Newton-Cartan formalism [11–17] to present a covariant formulation of the superfluid with sources that couple to all conserved currents. We have also shown that the parity-breaking relativistic superfluid of [1] reduces to the chiral superfluid in the non-relativistic limit. In particular the coupling of the dual gauge field to the Euler topological current reduces to the famous Wen-Zee term.

Even though the chiral superfluid studied here has Galilean invariance, the Newton-Cartan formalism can be applied to more general cases without Galilean or Lorentzian invariance [12, 14, 15, 17]. In particular, it would be useful to construct a covariant effective action of chiral superconductors, i.e, charged superfluids coupled to a dynamical electromagnetic field.

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### Appendix A: Goldstone boson formulation

In this Appendix we demonstrate that the theory defined by the Lagrangian (3) is equivalent to the leadingorder general coordinate invariant theory of nonrelativistic s-wave superfluid found previously in [10, 28]. Up to a surface term the Lagrangian (3) is

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = \rho \mathcal{D}_t \theta + \rho v^i \mathcal{D}_i \theta + \frac{1}{2} \rho g_{ij} v^i v^j - \epsilon(\rho), \quad (A1)$$

where we introduce the covariant derivative  $\mathscr{D}_{\mu}\theta = \partial_{\mu}\theta - A_{\mu}$ .

The Euler-Lagrange equation  $\delta S/\delta v^i = 0$  gives us

$$v_i = -\mathcal{D}_i \theta \tag{A2}$$

and thus  $\theta$  can be identified as the Goldstone field of the spontaneously broken  $U(1)_N$  particle number symmetry. Now we can substitute Eq. (A2) into Eq. (A1) and find

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = \rho \underbrace{\left(\mathcal{D}_t \theta - \frac{g^{ij}}{2} \mathcal{D}_i \theta \mathcal{D}_j \theta\right)}_{X} - \epsilon(\rho), \tag{A3}$$

where we introduced the combination X which is general coordinate invariant and reduces to the chemical potential in the ground state. Due to the equation of motion  $\delta S/\delta \rho=0, \, \rho$  and X are the Legendre-dual variables and we finally arrive at [10, 28]

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = P(X), \tag{A4}$$

where  $P = \rho d\epsilon/d\rho - \epsilon$  is the thermodynamic pressure as the function of the generalized chemical potential X.

The same derivation can be repeated in the presence of the sources  $\Phi$  and  $C_i$  (see Sec. V). Starting from Eq. (79) we once again obtain Eq. (A4) with

$$X = D_t \theta - \frac{g^{ij}}{2} D_i \theta D_j \theta, \tag{A5}$$

where the modified covariant derivatives are

$$D_t \theta \equiv e^{\Phi} \mathcal{D}_t \theta,$$
  

$$D_i \theta \equiv \mathcal{D}_i \theta + C_i \mathcal{D}_t \theta.$$
(A6)

In Newton-Cartan spacetime the general coordinate invariant (A5) can be conveniently written as

$$X = V^{\mu} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mu} \theta - \frac{1}{2} e^{a\mu} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mu} \theta e^{a\nu} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\nu} \theta$$
  
$$= V^{\mu} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mu} \theta - \frac{1}{2} g_{\rm nc}^{\mu\nu} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mu} \theta \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\nu} \theta,$$
 (A7)

where  $\tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mu}\theta \equiv \mathcal{D}_{\mu}\theta - \tilde{A}_{\mu}$  with  $\tilde{A}_{\mu}$  defined by Eqs. (72). This form was also found in [17].

# Appendix B: Linearized hydrodynamics in dual language

Consider small phonon fluctuations around the homogeneous superfluid ground state in flat space with  $A_{\mu} = 0$ . In the dual picture the vacuum of this theory has  $b_{\rm GS} = \rho_{\rm GS}$  and  $\mathbf{e}_{\rm GS} = 0$ , which follows from Eq.

(7). By expanding Eq. (8) to the quadratic order in fluctuations  $\delta b = b - b_{\rm GS}$  and  ${\bf e}$  we find

$$\mathcal{L}_{sf} = \frac{1}{2\rho_{GS}} \mathbf{e}^2 - \epsilon_{GS} - \epsilon'_{GS} \delta b - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon''_{GS} \delta b^2$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2\rho_{GS}} \mathbf{e}^2 - \frac{\epsilon''_{GS}}{2} \delta b^2,$$
(B1)

where in the second line we dropped the constant and linear terms. The linearized approximation of Eq. (8) thus gives rise to the linear relativistic electrodynamics, where the effective speed of light is fixed by the speed of sound  $c_s = \sqrt{dP/d\rho}|_{\rho=\rho_{\rm GS}} = \sqrt{\epsilon_{\rm IS}''\rho_{\rm GS}}$ .

#### Appendix C: From vielbeins to metric

Here we express the gravitomagnetic field  $B_{\omega}$  and gravitoelectric field  $E_{\omega i}$  solely in terms of the spatial metric  $g_{ij}$ . First, using Eq. (22) and the orthonormality of the vielbein, it is straightforward to show that

$$B_{\omega} = \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_i \omega_j = R/2,$$
 (C1)

where the Ricci scalar  $R = g^{ij}R_{ij}$  with

$$R_{ij} = \partial_k \Gamma_{ij}^k - \partial_i \Gamma_{jk}^k + \Gamma_{ij}^k \Gamma_{kl}^l - \Gamma_{il}^k \Gamma_{jk}^l,$$
  

$$\Gamma_{jk}^i = \frac{1}{2} g^{il} (\partial_j g_{lk} + \partial_k g_{lj} - \partial_l g_{jk}).$$
(C2)

On the other hand, using Eq. (22) the gravitoelectric field can be written as

$$E_{\omega i} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \underbrace{e^{ab} (\partial_t e^{aj} \partial_i e^b_j - \partial_i e^{aj} \partial_t e^b_j)}_{M_i} - \partial_t (\varepsilon^{jk} \partial_j g_{ik}) - \partial_i B \right].$$
(C3)

It is convenient to express  $M_i$  as

$$M_i = \epsilon^{ab} \Big\{ \partial_t e^{aj} [\nabla_i e_j^b + \Gamma_{ij}^k e_k^b] - [\nabla_i e^{aj} - \Gamma_{ik}^j e^{ak}] \partial_t e_j^b \Big\}.$$
(C4)

Using  $\nabla_i e_j^b = -\omega_i \epsilon^{bc} e_j^c$ , it is now easy to show that the terms with covariant derivatives cancel and we end up with

$$M_i = \Gamma_{ij}^k \partial_t (\varepsilon^{jl} g_{lk}).$$
 (C5)

The electric field thus reads

$$E_{\omega i} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \Gamma_{ij}^k \partial_t (\varepsilon^{jl} g_{kl}) - \partial_t (\varepsilon^{jl} \partial_j g_{il}) - \partial_i B \right], \quad (C6)$$

which using

$$\varepsilon^{jl}\nabla_{j}g_{il} = \varepsilon^{jl}\partial_{j}g_{il} - \varepsilon^{jl}\Gamma^{k}_{ji}g_{kl} = 0$$
 (C7)

can be simplified to

$$E_{\omega i} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\partial_t (\Gamma_{ij}^k) \varepsilon^{jl} g_{kl} - \partial_i B \right].$$
 (C8)

#### Appendix D: Nonrelativistic limit of Euler current

Here we provide some details on the calculation of the nonrelativistic limit of the Euler current  $\mathfrak{J}^{\mu}$ .

First we note that since

$$\nabla_i \mathfrak{u}_j \sim \frac{1}{c}, \quad \nabla_0 \mathfrak{u}_i \sim \nabla_i \mathfrak{u}_0 \sim \frac{1}{c^2}, \quad \nabla_0 \mathfrak{u}_0 \sim \frac{1}{c^3}, \quad (D1)$$

we can neglect in the Euler current (51) the terms depending on the velocities. In addition, since

$$\varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \mathfrak{u}_{\alpha} R_{\nu\lambda\beta\gamma} \simeq -\varepsilon^{ij} R_{\nu\lambda ij} - 2\varepsilon^{ij} \frac{v_i}{c} R_{\nu\lambda 0j}$$
 (D2)

the second term is  $O(1/c^2)$  compared with the first one and can thus be neglected. Hence we find

$$8\pi \mathfrak{J}^{\mu} \simeq \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \varepsilon^{ij} R_{\nu\lambda ij}. \tag{D3}$$

As a result, the time component of the Euler current equals to the spatial scalar curvature

$$8\pi \mathfrak{J}^{0} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{kl} \varepsilon^{ij} R_{klij} = \frac{1}{2} (g^{ki} g^{jl} - g^{kj} g^{il}) R_{klij} = R = 2B_{\omega}.$$
(D4)

The spatial part  $\mathfrak{J}^k$  can be expressed using the mixed components of the Ricci tensor

$$8\pi \mathfrak{J}^k \simeq -\varepsilon^{kl} \varepsilon^{ij} R_{0lij} = -(g^{ki} g^{jl} - g^{kj} g^{il}) R_{0lij}. \quad (D5)$$

We can now use that in three dimensions

$$R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} = 2(g_{\mu[\rho}R_{\lambda]\nu} - g_{\nu[\rho}R_{\lambda]\mu}) - Rg_{\mu[\rho}g_{\lambda]\nu}$$
 (D6)

and up to the relativistic corrections

$$R_{ij} \simeq \frac{1}{2} R g_{ij},$$
 (D7)

which leads to

$$R_{0lij} \simeq g_{li}R_{0i} - g_{li}R_{0j}. \tag{D8}$$

This implies

$$8\pi \mathfrak{J}^k \simeq -2q^{ik}R_{0i}. \tag{D9}$$

The Ricci tensor is given by

$$R_{0i} \simeq \partial_k \Gamma_{i0}^k - \partial_i \Gamma_{0k}^k + \Gamma_{kl}^k \Gamma_{0i}^l - \Gamma_{ik}^l \Gamma_{0l}^k$$
  
=  $\nabla_k \Gamma_{0i}^k - \partial_i \Gamma_{0k}^k$ , (D10)

where the covariant derivative is defined with respect to the spatial metric only. Using the metric (54) one finds in the nonrelativistic limit [10]

$$\Gamma_{0j}^{i} \simeq \frac{1}{2c} \left( g^{ik} \dot{g}_{kj} + g^{ik} \mathcal{F}_{kj} \right). \tag{D11}$$

With the help of the last equation, the Ricci tensor (D10) where  $\mathfrak{B} = \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_i \mathfrak{A}_j$ . can alternatively be written as

$$R_{0i} \simeq \frac{1}{2c} \nabla_k \left( g^{kl} \dot{g}_{li} + \varepsilon^k_{\ i} \mathcal{B} \right) - \frac{1}{2c} \partial_i \left( g^{kl} \dot{g}_{kl} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} \nabla_k \left( g^{kl} \dot{g}_{li} + \varepsilon^k_{\ i} \mathcal{B} \right) - \frac{1}{2c} \nabla_i \left( g^{kl} \dot{g}_{kl} \right) \qquad (D12)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} \left( g^{kl} \nabla_k \dot{g}_{li} + \varepsilon^k_{\ i} \partial_k \mathcal{B} \right) - \frac{1}{2c} g^{kl} \nabla_i \dot{g}_{kl}.$$

Putting this into (D9) and using

$$\nabla_i \dot{g}_{jk} = \dot{\Gamma}^l_{ij} g_{lk} + \dot{\Gamma}^l_{ik} g_{jl} \tag{D13}$$

we find

$$8\pi \mathfrak{J}^{k} \simeq -\frac{1}{c} \left[ \varepsilon^{nk} \partial_{n} \mathcal{B} + g^{jk} g^{nl} \left( \nabla_{n} \dot{g}_{lj} - \nabla_{j} \dot{g}_{nl} \right) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{c} \left[ \varepsilon^{nk} \partial_{n} \mathcal{B} + g^{jk} g^{nl} \left( \dot{\Gamma}_{nl}^{s} g_{sj} - \dot{\Gamma}_{jl}^{s} g_{ns} \right) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{c} \left[ \varepsilon^{nk} \partial_{n} \mathcal{B} + \left( g^{nl} g^{kj} - g^{kl} g^{nj} \right) g_{sj} \dot{\Gamma}_{nl}^{s} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{c} \varepsilon^{nk} \left[ \partial_{n} \mathcal{B} + \varepsilon^{lj} g_{sj} \dot{\Gamma}_{nl}^{s} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{c} \varepsilon^{kn} \left[ E_{\omega n} + \partial_{n} \mathfrak{B} / 2 \right], \tag{D14}$$

Appendix E: Energy current calculation

In this Appendix we present how to compute the energy current  $J_{\epsilon}^{l}$ . First, using Eqs. (98), (99) we find

$$J_{\epsilon}^{l} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta C_{l}} = \rho \mathcal{D}_{t} \theta v^{l} + \frac{s}{2} \Big( \partial_{t} \rho \varepsilon^{lj} v_{j} + \varepsilon^{lj} \partial_{i} (\rho v^{i} v_{j}) - \varepsilon^{jk} \partial_{j} (\rho v^{l}) v_{k} + \varepsilon^{lk} \rho v^{i} \partial_{t} g_{ik} \Big). \tag{E1}$$

Given the equation of motion (83), we can eliminate  $\mathcal{D}_t\theta$  with the result

$$J_{\epsilon}^{l} = J_{\epsilon, \text{ideal}}^{l} - \frac{s}{2} v^{l} v_{i} \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_{j} \rho + \frac{s}{2} \left( \partial_{t} \rho \varepsilon^{lj} v_{j} + \varepsilon^{lj} \partial_{i} (\rho v^{i} v_{j}) - \varepsilon^{jk} \partial_{j} (\rho v^{l}) v_{k} + \varepsilon^{lk} \rho v^{i} \partial_{t} g_{ik} \right)$$

$$= J_{\epsilon, \text{ideal}}^{l} + \frac{s}{2} \left( \partial_{t} \rho \varepsilon^{lj} v_{j} + \varepsilon^{lj} \partial_{i} (\rho v^{i} v_{j}) - \varepsilon^{jk} \rho \partial_{j} v^{l} v_{k} + \varepsilon^{lk} \rho v^{i} \partial_{t} g_{ik} \right)$$

$$= J_{\epsilon, \text{ideal}}^{l} + \frac{s}{2} \left( \left[ \partial_{t} \rho + \partial_{i} (\rho v^{i}) \right] \varepsilon^{lj} v_{j} + \varepsilon^{lj} \rho v^{i} \partial_{i} v_{j} - \varepsilon^{jk} \rho \partial_{j} v^{l} v_{k} + \varepsilon^{lk} \rho v^{i} \partial_{t} g_{ik} \right)$$

$$= J_{\epsilon, \text{ideal}}^{l} + \frac{s}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_{t} (\sqrt{g} \rho) + \nabla_{i} (\rho v^{i}) \right] \varepsilon^{lj} v_{j} + \Delta J_{\epsilon}^{l}$$
(E2)

with

$$\Delta J_{\epsilon}^{l} = \frac{s\rho}{2} \left( \varepsilon^{lj} v^{i} \partial_{i} v_{j} - \varepsilon^{jk} g^{ln} \partial_{j} v_{n} v_{k} - \varepsilon^{jk} \partial_{j} g^{ln} v_{n} v_{k} - \frac{1}{2} v^{m} g^{ij} \partial_{m} g_{ij} \varepsilon^{lk} v_{k} + \varepsilon^{lk} v^{i} \partial_{t} g_{ik} - \frac{1}{2} g^{ij} \partial_{t} g_{ij} \varepsilon^{lk} v_{k} \right). \tag{E3}$$

One can check that  $\Delta J^l_{\epsilon}$  agrees with the covariant expression

$$\Delta J_{\epsilon}^{l} = \frac{s}{4} \rho(\varepsilon^{lr} g^{ms} + \varepsilon^{mr} g^{ls}) (\nabla_{r} v_{s} + \nabla_{s} v_{r} + \partial_{t} g_{rs}) v_{m} = T_{\text{Hall}}^{lm} v_{m}. \tag{E4}$$

This can be achieved either by a direct comparison<sup>15</sup> or by the following calculation: First, pick from the bracket of Eq. (E3) only the terms depending on derivatives of the velocity

$$\varepsilon^{lj}v^{i}\partial_{i}v_{j} - \varepsilon^{jk}g^{ln}\partial_{j}v_{n}v_{k} = \left[\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{ni}g^{lj}\right]\partial_{i}v_{j}v_{n} = \frac{1}{2}\left[\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{ni}g^{lj}\right]\sigma_{ij}v_{n} \\
= \frac{1}{2}\left[\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{nj}g^{li}\right]\sigma_{ij}v_{n} = \frac{1}{2}\left[\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{nj}g^{li}\right]\left(\left[\nabla_{i}v_{j} + \nabla_{j}v_{i} - \delta_{ij}\nabla_{k}v^{k} + \partial_{t}g_{ij}\right]v_{n} + 2\Gamma^{k}_{ij}v_{k}v_{n} - \partial_{t}g_{ij}v_{n}\right) \\
= \frac{2}{s\rho}T^{ln}_{Hall}v_{n} + \frac{1}{2}\left[\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{nj}g^{li}\right]\left(2\Gamma^{k}_{ij}v_{k}v_{n} - \partial_{t}g_{ij}v_{n}\right) \tag{E5}$$

where we took advantage of the decomposition

$$\partial_i v_j = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{ij} + \frac{1}{2} \omega \varepsilon_{ij} + \frac{1}{2} \theta \delta_{ij}, \tag{E6}$$

where

$$\sigma_{ij} = \partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \delta_{ij} \partial_k v^k, \quad \omega = \varepsilon^{ij} \partial_i v_j, \quad \theta = \partial_k v^k. \tag{E7}$$

Now substitute Eq. (E5) into Eq. (E3) and consider the difference between Eqs. (E3) and (E4). If we collect the terms depending on the time derivatives we find

$$-\frac{1}{2}\left[\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{ni}g^{lj}\right]\partial_{t}g_{ij}v_{n} + \varepsilon^{lk}v^{i}\partial_{t}g_{ik} - \frac{1}{2}g^{ij}\partial_{t}g_{ij}\varepsilon^{lk}v_{k} = -\frac{1}{2}\left[\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{ni}g^{lj} - 2\varepsilon^{lj}g^{in} + g^{ij}\varepsilon^{ln}\right]\partial_{t}g_{ij}v_{n}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\left[-\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{ni}g^{lj} + g^{ij}\varepsilon^{ln}\right]\partial_{t}g_{ij}v_{n} = -\frac{1}{2}\left[-\varepsilon^{li}g^{nj} + \varepsilon^{ni}g^{lj} + g^{ij}\varepsilon^{ln}\right]\partial_{t}g_{ij}v_{n}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\left[\varepsilon^{nl}g^{ij} + g^{ij}\varepsilon^{ln}\right]\partial_{t}g_{ij}v_{n} = 0.$$
(E8)

Finally, the terms depending on spatial derivatives of the metric vanish as well

$$v_{n}v_{k}\left[\left(\varepsilon^{lj}g^{ni} + \varepsilon^{nj}g^{li}\right)\Gamma_{ij}^{k} + \varepsilon^{jk}\left(g^{in}\Gamma_{ij}^{l} + \Gamma_{ij}^{n}g^{il}\right) - \Gamma_{ij}^{j}\varepsilon^{lk}g^{in}\right]$$

$$= v_{n}v_{k}\left[g^{ni}\left(\varepsilon^{lj}\Gamma_{ij}^{k} - \varepsilon^{kj}\Gamma_{ij}^{l}\right) + g^{li}\left(\varepsilon^{nj}\Gamma_{ij}^{k} + \varepsilon^{jn}\Gamma_{ij}^{k}\right) - \Gamma_{ij}^{j}\varepsilon^{lk}g^{in}\right]$$

$$= v_{n}v_{k}\left[g^{ni}\varepsilon^{lk}\Gamma_{ji}^{j} - \Gamma_{ij}^{j}\varepsilon^{lk}g^{in}\right] = 0.$$
(E9)

This proves that Eqs. (E3) and (E4) are equivalent.

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