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Microscopic Disorder-Based model for non-Abelian Quasi-Particles in $\nu = 5/2$ FQH states¹ GILAD BEN-SHACH, CHRIS R. LAUMANN, AMIR YACOBY, BERTRAND I. HALPERIN, Harvard University — The detection of non-Abelian quasiparticles remains an outstanding experimental problem in the $\nu = \frac{5}{2}$ fractional quantum Hall (FQH) state. The presence of non-Abelian statistics would lead to additional low energy states in the system, and hence an additional low-temperature entropy. One approach to test for non-Abelian quasiparticle statistics uses thermodynamic measurements to detect this entropy contribution [1,2]. We present a microscopic model for quasiparticles in the $\nu = \frac{5}{2}$ FQH state with a disorder potential that fluctuates on the order of several magnetic lengths, and attempt to determine the feasibility of the experiments proposed in [1], based on local probe measurements of incompressibility [3].

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