

Manipulation of vortex motion in quantum lattice models

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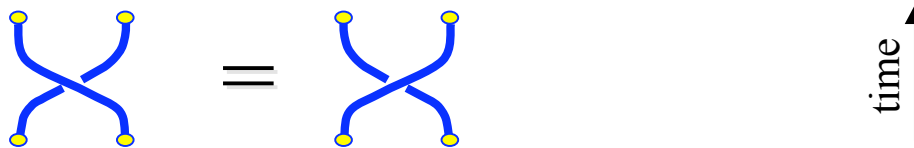
Quantum statistics

Configuration space of n **indistinguishable** particles in d dimensional space excluding diagonal points D :

$$M_n = (\mathbb{R}^{nd} - D)/S_n$$

In (3+1) dimensions, the configuration space is simply connected;
quantum mechanics permits only two kinds of statistics:

Exchanging particles in 3D space belongs to the permutation group S_n



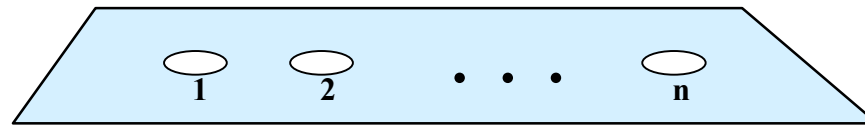
Bose-Einstein statistics: $\chi_+(\sigma) = +1$

Fermi-Dirac statistics: $\chi_-(\sigma) = +1$ (even) or -1 (odd permutations)

Anyons

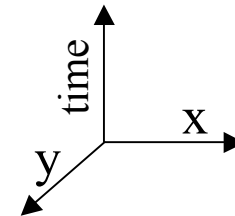
- particles with fractional statistics in (2+1) dimensional quantum mechanics

The configuration space of n indistinguishable particles in 2 dimensional space excluding diagonal points is multiply connected



Leinaas and Myrheim'77
Wilczek'82

Exchanging particles on a plane is not anymore an element of permutation group



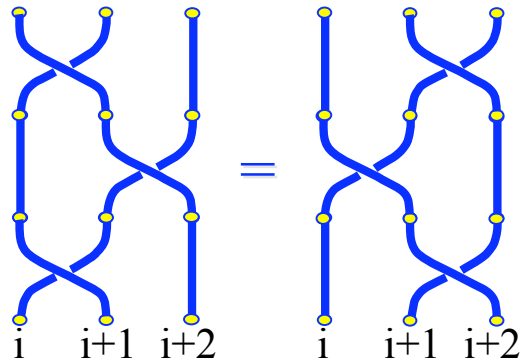
it is braiding, an element of a braid group!

Braid group B_n

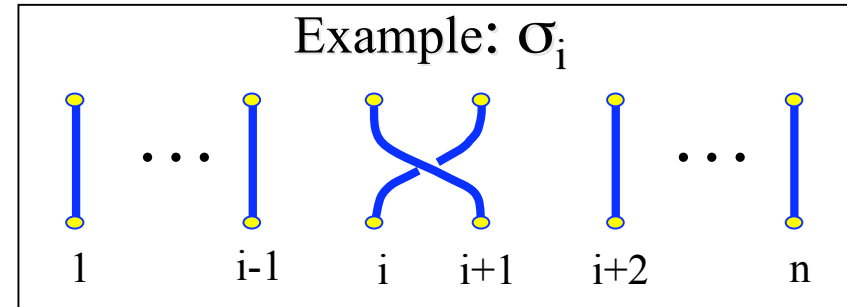
A braid group for n strands (particles) has n generators $\{1, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n-1}\}$ which satisfy:

$$\sigma_i \sigma_j = \sigma_j \sigma_i \quad \text{for } |j - i| > 1$$

$$\sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}$$



Yang-Baxter equation



Artin, Ann. Math. 48, 101 (1947)

One-dimensional irreps of B_n correspond to abelian fractional statistics:

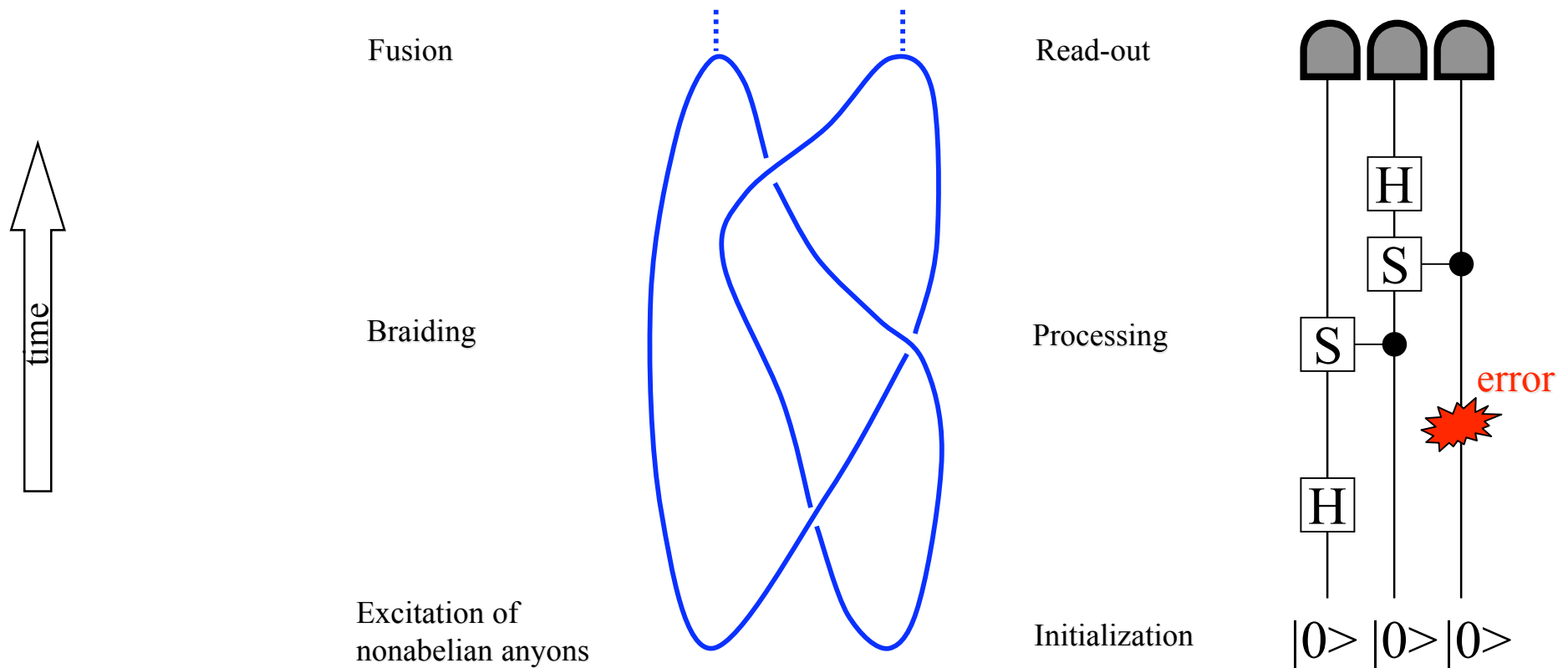
$$\chi_\theta (\sigma) = e^{i\theta} \quad \text{from } U(1)$$

Higher dimensional irreps correspond to nonabelian fractional statistics:

$$\chi_\theta (\sigma) = e^{i\theta\Lambda} \quad \text{e.g. from } SU(2)$$

Topological quantum computation

- quantum computing where fault-tolerance is naturally built into quantum computing hardware
- unique model of quantum computation which inspires new quantum algorithms



Topological phase

a ground state (possibly degenerate) of a certain gapped 2D many-body quantum system

- states within topological phase depend only on topology and are decoupled from local errors
- spectral gap exponentially suppresses thermal excitation of stray anyons and thus non-local errors

Topological phases

Effective description

topological quantum field theories

$$S = \frac{k}{4\pi} \int_{\Gamma} dt d^2x \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} a_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} a_{\rho}$$

Properties

- finite ground state degeneracy

e.g. k^{genus}

- excitation gap

Microscopic models

- Toric code
- Kitaev lattice model
- quantum loop gas models
- string net models

Physical realization

Quantum lattices

- superconducting electronics
- trapped atoms
- polar molecules
- magnetic systems

Continuous systems

- fractional QHS
- graphene
- $p_x + ip_y$ sc
 - Sr_2RuO_4
 - He 3
- vortex lattices
 - BEC

Topological phases

TQFT/CFT

Realization

Application

Abelian

- $Z_2 \times Z_2$ theory
(1, e, m, em)

Toric code
Kitaev honeycomb model (phase A)
Freedman loop gas model at $k=1$
Fendley quantum loop gas at $k=2$
etc.

Topological quantum memory

Non-abelian

- $SU(2)_2$ Ising theory
(1, σ , ε)
 $\varepsilon \times \varepsilon = 1$
 $\varepsilon \times \sigma = \sigma$
 $\sigma \times \sigma = 1 + \varepsilon$

Kitaev honeycomb model
(phase B in magnetic field)

- neutral atoms in optical lattices
- lattices of polar molecules
- arrays of Josephson junctions

Quantum Hall state at $\nu = 5/2$
 $p_x + ip_y$ superconductors

Quantum computation with partial topological protection

- $SU(2)_3$ Z_3 Parafermion theory
 $SO(3)_3$ Fibonacci
(1, τ)
 $\tau \times \tau = 1 + \tau$

Quantum Hall state at $\nu = 12/5$
Fendley loop gas model at $k=3$

Topological quantum computation

- Other general theories

Levin-Wen string nets
Fendley loop gas models

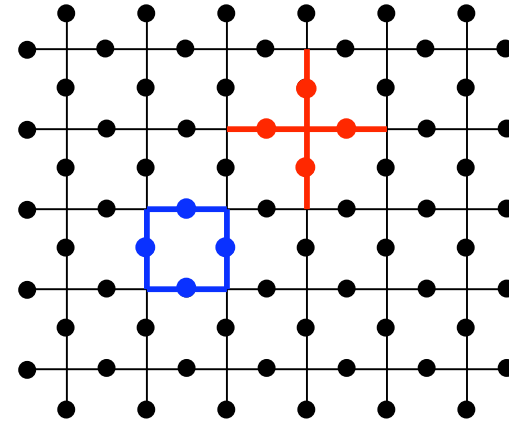
Toric code

Spin-1/2 particles on edges of a square lattice

$$H_{\text{eff}} = -J_{\text{eff}} \left(\sum_{\text{vertices}} Q_s + \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} Q_p \right)$$

$$Q_s = \prod_{\text{vertex}} \sigma^x$$

$$Q_p = \prod_{\text{plaquette}} \sigma^z \quad [Q_s, Q_p] = 0$$



Toric code

- is exactly solvable
- exhibits abelian topological phase, specifically
 - its ground state is 4-fold degenerate on torus, and
 - the system has a robust spectral gap to the first excited state at thermodynamic limit

Particles of the toric code

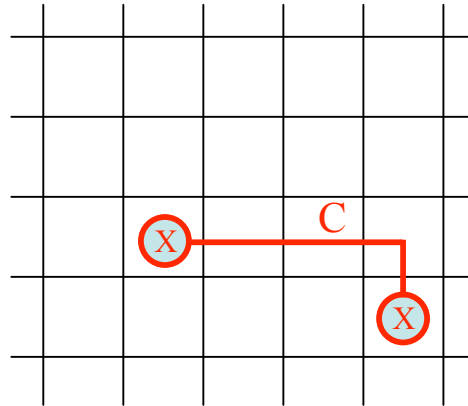
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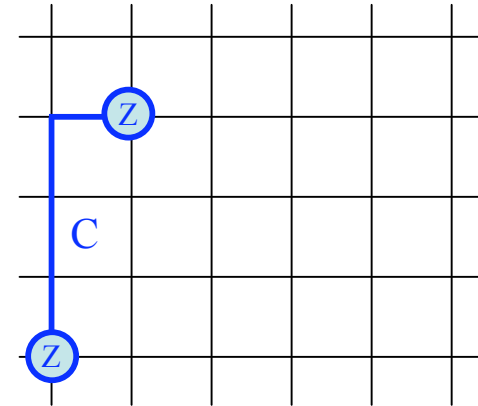
Magnetic charges m

$$Q_s = \prod_C \sigma^x$$



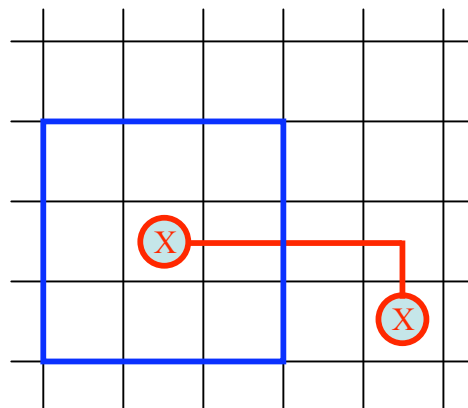
Electric charges e

$$Q_s = \prod_C \sigma^z$$



Composite particle me

Braiding



e and e (or m and m) particles braid as bosons

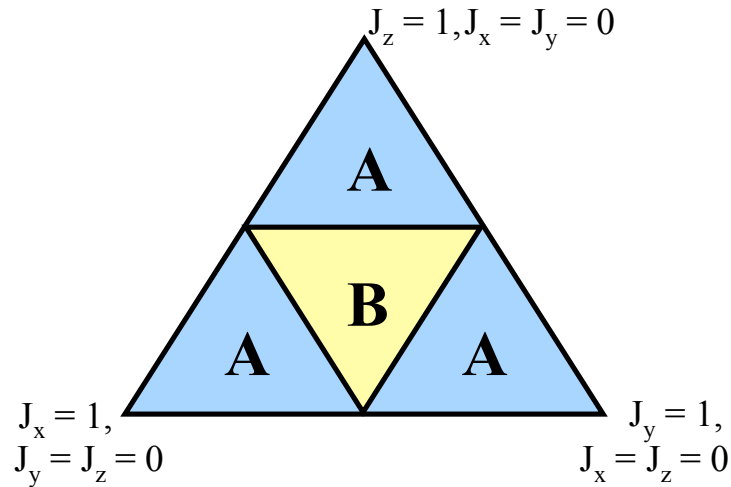
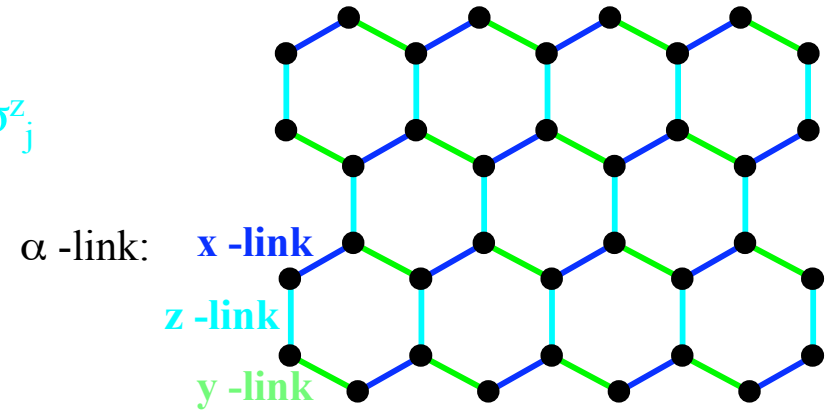
e and m particles are semions, i.e. anyons with the statistical phase i

e-m composite particle is fermion

Kitaev honeycomb lattice model

$$H_0 = J_x \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_{x\text{-link}}} \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x + J_y \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_{y\text{-link}}} \sigma_i^y \sigma_j^y + J_z \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_{z\text{-link}}} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha} J_{\alpha} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_j^{\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha} J_{\alpha} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} K_{ij}^{\alpha}$$



Phase diagram:

- **phase A** - can be mapped perturbatively onto Toric code with particles (1, e, m, em);
- **phase B** - gapless.

In magnetic field:

$$H = H_0 + \sum_i \sum_{\alpha=x,y,z} B_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha,i}$$

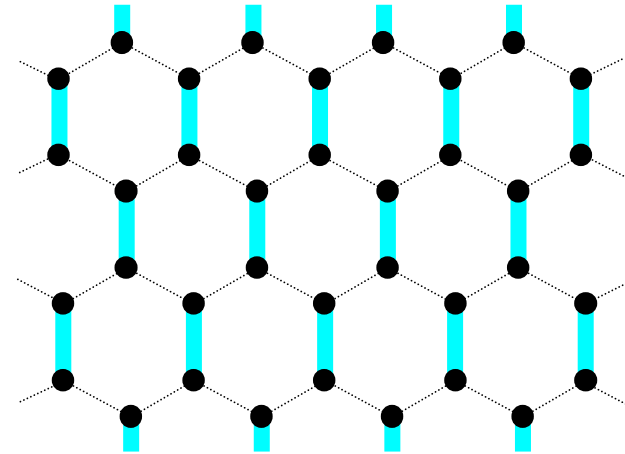
- phase B acquires a gap and becomes non-abelian topological phase of Ising type

Mapping abelian phase onto Toric code

$$J_z \gg J_y, J_x$$

$$H_D = -J_z \sum_{z\text{-links}} \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z, \quad \text{“dimers”}$$

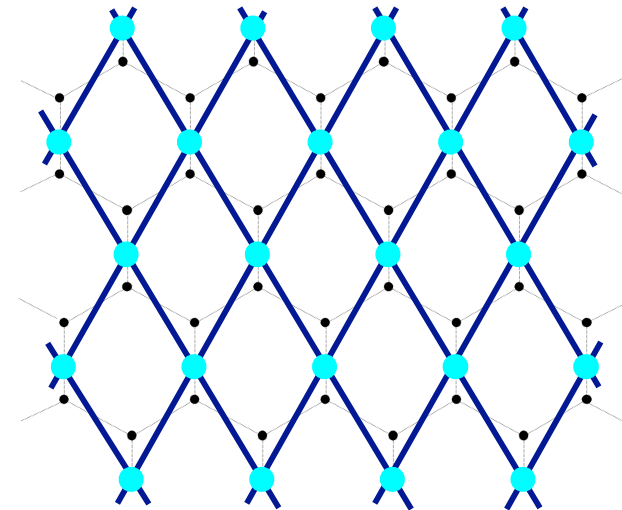
$$V = -J_x \sum_{x\text{-links}} \sigma_j^x \sigma_k^x - J_y \sum_{y\text{-links}} \sigma_j^y \sigma_k^y$$



Effective spins

- are formed by ferromagnetic ground states of $-J_z \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z$

$$|\uparrow\rangle_{eff} = |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \quad |\downarrow\rangle_{eff} = |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$$



A.Y.Kitaev, *Fault-tolerant quantum computation by anyons*,
Ann. Phys. 303, 2 (2003).

Mapping abelian phase onto Toric code

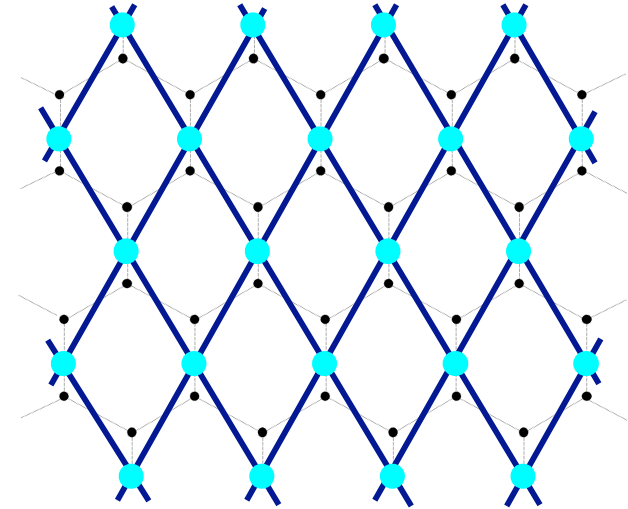
Effective Hamiltonian

first non-constant term of perturbation theory
occurs on the 4th order

$$H_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{J_x^2 J_y^2}{16|J_z|^3} \sum_p Q_p,$$

$$Q_p = \sigma_{\text{left}(p)}^y \sigma_{\text{right}(p)}^y \sigma_{\text{up}(p)}^z \sigma_{\text{down}(p)}^z$$

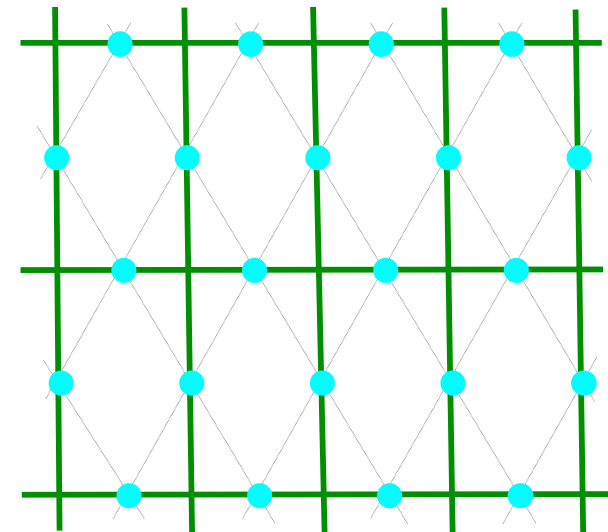
defined on the square lattice with effective spins on the vertices



Toric code

the effective Hamiltonian is unitarily equivalent to
toric code on the green lattice

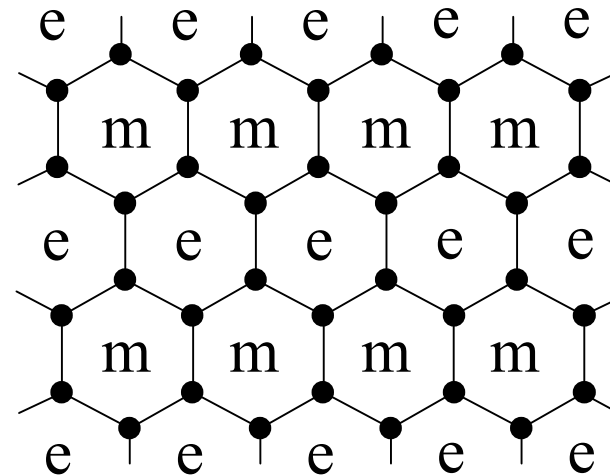
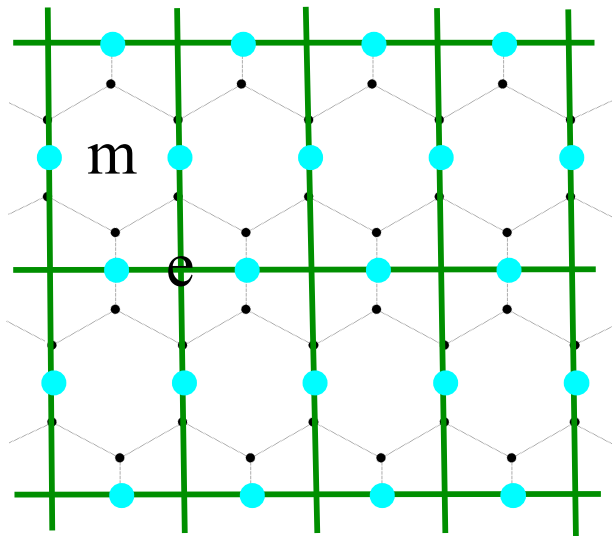
$$H_{\text{eff}} = -J_{\text{eff}} \left(\sum_{\text{vertices}} Q_s + \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} Q_p \right)$$



Mapping abelian phase onto Toric code

Toric code particle types

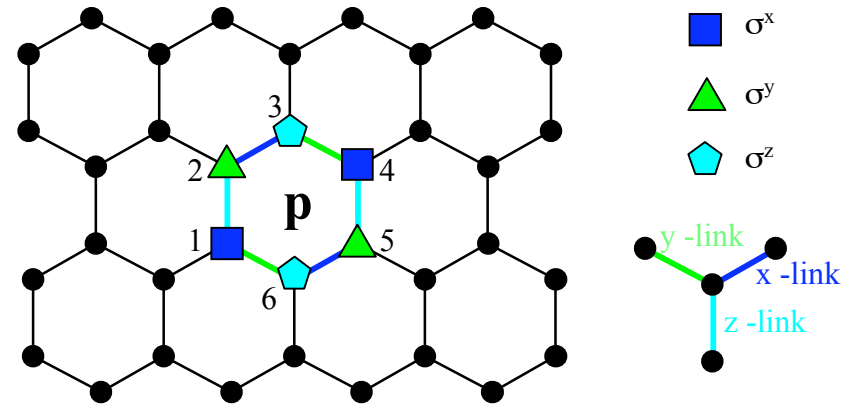
- magnetic charges live on plaquettes of **the toric code lattice**
- electric charges live on its vertices



Vortex operators

$$W_p = \sigma^x_1 \sigma^y_2 \sigma^z_3 \sigma^x_4 \sigma^y_5 \sigma^z_6 =$$

$$= K^z_{1,2} K^x_{2,3} K^y_{3,4} K^z_{4,5} K^x_{5,6} K^y_{6,1}$$



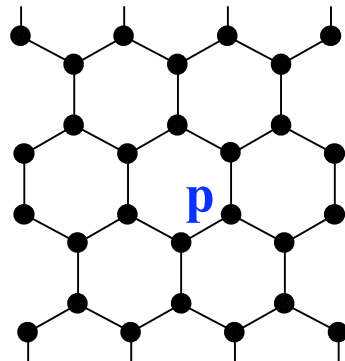
$$[H_0, W_p] = 0$$

$$(K^{\alpha}_{k,k+1})^2 = 1$$

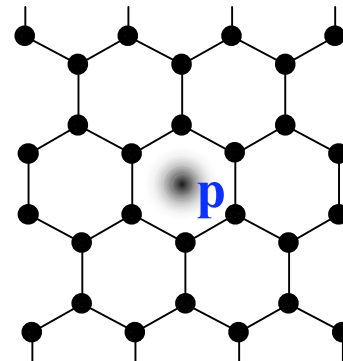
$$K^{\beta}_{k+1,k+2} K^{\alpha}_{k,k+1} = - K^{\alpha}_{k,k+1} K^{\beta}_{k+1,k+2}$$

$$H_0 |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$$

$$w_p = \langle n | W_p | n \rangle = +1$$



$$w_p = \langle n | W_p | n \rangle = -1$$



Vortex sectors

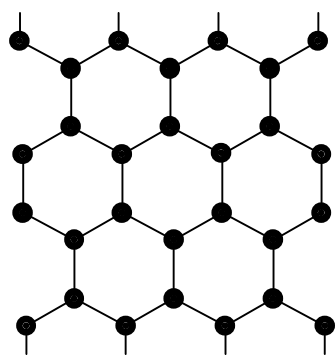
Each energy eigenstate $|n\rangle$ is characterized by some vortex configuration

$$\{w_p = \langle n|W_p|n\rangle = \pm 1\} \text{ for all plaquettes } p$$

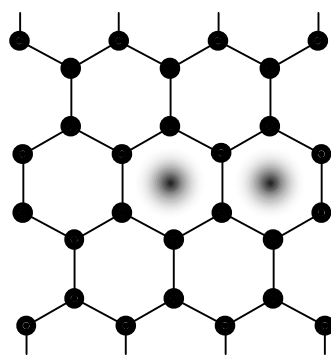
also the vortices are always excited in pairs,
i.e. even-vortex configurations are relevant on closed surfaces or infinite plane,

the Hilbert space splits into vortex sectors, i.e. subspaces of the system with a particular configuration of vortices

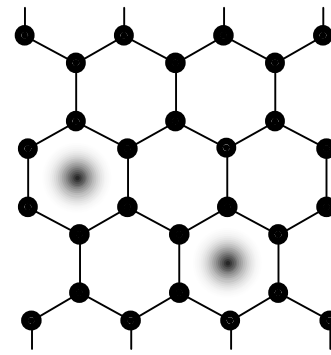
$$L = \bigoplus_{w_1, \dots, w_m} L_{w_1, \dots, w_m}$$



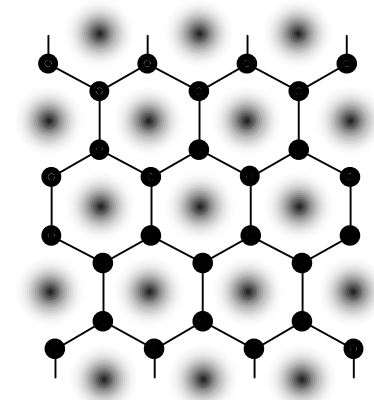
vortex free sector



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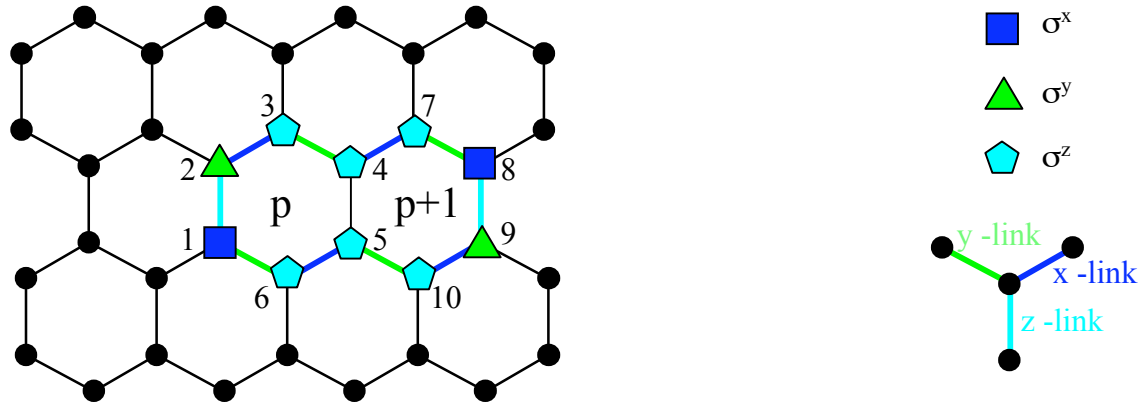
full vortex sector

examples from two-vortex sectors

Products of vortex operators

$$W_p W_{p+1} = K^z_{1,2} K^x_{2,3} K^y_{3,4} K^x_{5,6} K^y_{6,1} K^x_{4,7} K^y_{7,8} K^z_{8,9} K^x_{9,10} K^y_{10,5}$$

(we used $(K^{\alpha}_{k,k+1})^2 = 1$)



Products of vortex operators generate closed loops

$$K_{i,j}^{\alpha(1)} K_{j,k}^{\alpha(2)} \dots K_{p,q}^{\alpha(M-1)} K_{q,i}^{\alpha(M)}$$

On torus, this gives the condition

$$\prod_p W_p = 1$$

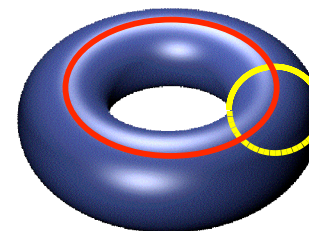


Loop symmetries on torus

For a system of N spins on torus (i.e. a system with $N/2$ plaquettes), $\prod_p W_p = I$ implies that there are $N/2-1$ independent vortex quantum numbers $\{w_1, \dots, w_{N/2-1}\}$.

Loops on torus $K_{i,j}^{\alpha(1)} K_{j,k}^{\alpha(2)} \dots K_{p,q}^{\alpha(M-1)} K_{q,i}^{\alpha(M)}$

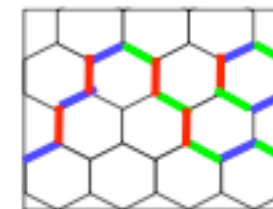
- all homologically trivial loops are generated by plaquette operators
- two distinct homologically nontrivial loops needed to generate the full loop symmetry group (the third nontrivial loop is a product of these two).



The full loop symmetry of the torus is the abelian group with $N/2+1$ independent generators of the order 2 (loop²=I), i.e. $Z_2^{N/2+1}$.

All loop symmetries can be written as

$$C_{(k,l)} = G_k F_l(W_1, W_2, \dots, W_{N-1})$$



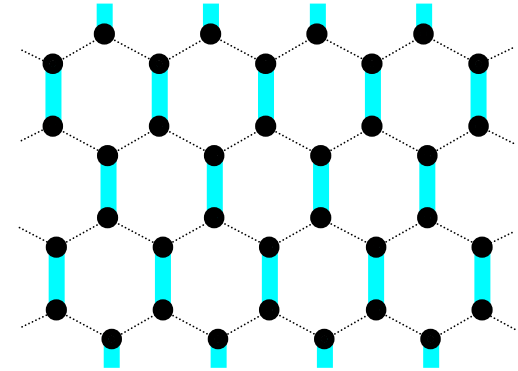
where k is from $\{0,1,2,3\}$ and $G_0 = I$, and G_1, G_2, G_3 are arbitrarily chosen symmetries from the three nontrivial homology classes, and F_l , with l from $\{1, \dots, 2^{N/2-1}\}$, run through all monomials in the W_p .

Effective (low energy) Hamiltonian

$$J_z \gg J_y, J_x \quad H = H_D + U$$

$$H_D = -J_z \sum_{z\text{-links}} \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z, \quad 2^{N/2} \text{ degenerate ground state} \\ = \text{“ground state manifold”}$$

$$U = -J_x \sum_{x\text{-links}} \sigma_j^x \sigma_k^x - J_y \sum_{y\text{-links}} \sigma_j^y \sigma_k^y$$



Brillouin-Wigner perturbation theory

For any exact eigenstate \$|\psi\rangle\$ of the full Hamiltonian \$H\$, the projection onto ferromagnetic subspace \$|\psi_0\rangle = \mathcal{P}|\psi\rangle\$ satisfies

$$\left[E_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} H^{(n)} \right] |\psi_0\rangle = E |\psi_0\rangle = H_{\text{eff}} |\psi_0\rangle,$$

$$H_D |\psi_0\rangle = E_0 |\psi_0\rangle$$

where

$$H^{(n)} = \mathcal{P} U \mathcal{G}^{n-1} \mathcal{P}$$

$$\mathcal{G} = [1/(E - H_0)](1 - \mathcal{P})U$$

$$|\psi\rangle = (1 - \mathcal{G})^{-1} |\psi_0\rangle$$

Calculating \$n\$-th order corrections is equivalent to finding the nonzero elements of the matrix \$H^{(n)}\$

Contributions to \$H^{(n)}\$ comes from the length \$n\$ products \$K_{ij}^{\alpha^{(1)}}, \dots, K_{kl}^{\alpha^{(n)}}\$ with \$\alpha^{(m)} \in x, y\$ that preserves the low energy subspace.

G. Kells, A. T. Bolukbasi, V. Lahtinen, J. K. Slingerland, J. K. Pachos and J. Vala,

Topological degeneracy and vortex manipulation in the Kitaev honeycomb model, Phys. Rev. Lett. **101**, 240404 (2008).

Effective (low energy) Hamiltonian

The resulting low-energy Hamiltonian can be written in terms of operators acting on the spins of the “dimers” using the transformation rules

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}[\sigma^x \otimes \sigma^y] &\rightarrow +\sigma_e^y, & \mathcal{P}[\sigma^x \otimes \sigma^x] &\rightarrow +\sigma_e^x, \\ \mathcal{P}[\sigma^y \otimes \sigma^y] &\rightarrow -\sigma_e^x, & \mathcal{P}[\sigma^z \otimes I] &\rightarrow +\sigma_e^z, \\ \mathcal{P}[\sigma^z \otimes \sigma^z] &\rightarrow +I_e, \end{aligned}$$

The lowest order non-constant contribution comes from the plaquette operators

$$\mathcal{P}[W_p] \rightarrow Q_p = \sigma_{e(l)}^y \sigma_{e(r)}^y \sigma_{e(u)}^z \sigma_{e(d)}^z$$

Expanding to all orders gives the contributions from all loop symmetries both homologically trivial and homologically nontrivial:

$Z \equiv \prod_i \sigma_i^z$
 $\mathcal{P}(Z) \rightarrow z$

$V \equiv \prod K_{jk}^{x,y} \prod K_{lm}^{y,x}$
 $\mathcal{P}(V) \rightarrow y$

$$H_{eff} = \sum_{i=0}^3 \sum_{j=1}^{2^{N/2-2}} c_{i,j} G_i(z, y) F_j(Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_{N/2-2})$$

trivial

$$W_p \rightarrow Q_p$$

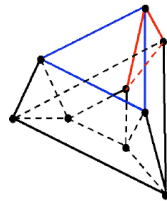
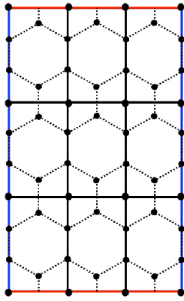
nontrivial

- reflects topology

Finite-size effects in small systems on torus

Toric code emerges on the 4th order of perturbation theory the low energy sector of H:

$$\sigma(H) - E_0 = \sigma(J_{eff} H_{TC}) + O(J^6) \quad J_{eff} = \frac{J_x^2 J_y^2}{16|J_z|^3} = \frac{J^4}{16|J_z|^3} \quad J = J_x = J_y \ll J_z$$

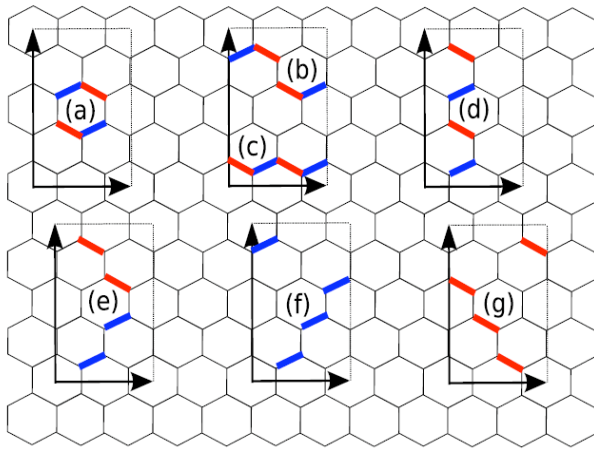


The minimal size of the lattice with no finite size terms on the 4th order is

$$\mathbf{N} = 36$$

i.e. Toric code on the lattice of 3x3 square plaquettes which properly represents the torus

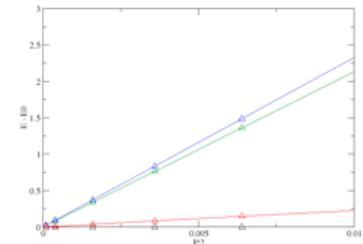
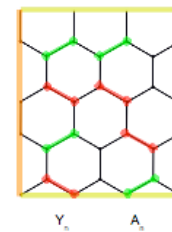
For smaller systems, the finite size effects are substantial on the 4th order, for example N=16:



$$\begin{aligned} H^{(4)} = & -\frac{J_x^2 J_y^2}{16|J_z|} \sum (Q_n + R_n - 5A_n) \\ & -\frac{J_x^2 J_y^2}{16|J_z|} \sum (Z_n + 5Y_n) \\ & -\frac{5}{16|J_z|} \left(J_x^4 \sum_{n=1}^2 X_n + J_y^4 \sum_{n=3}^4 X_n \right) \end{aligned}$$

The toric code spectrum can be reconstructed by extracting the finite size effects from the spectrum of the full model

G. Kells, N. Moran and J. Vala,
Finite size effects in the Kitaev honeycomb lattice model on torus,
 J. Stat. Mech. – Th. Exp., (2009) P03006



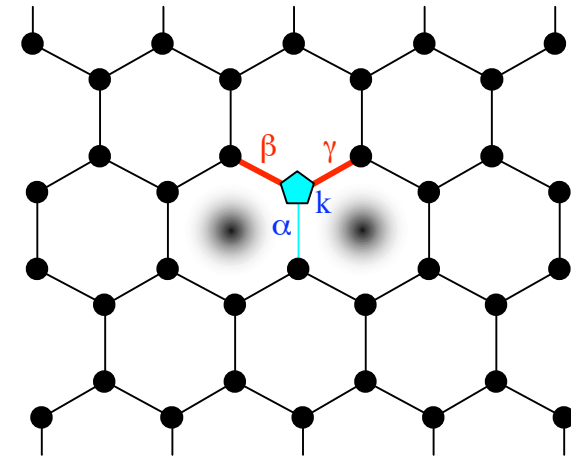
Creating and annihilating vortices

$$W_p = \sigma^z_1 \sigma^y_2 \sigma^x_3 \sigma^z_4 \sigma^y_5 \sigma^x_6 = K^x_{1,2} K^z_{2,3} K^y_{3,4} K^x_{4,5} K^z_{5,6} K^y_{6,1}$$

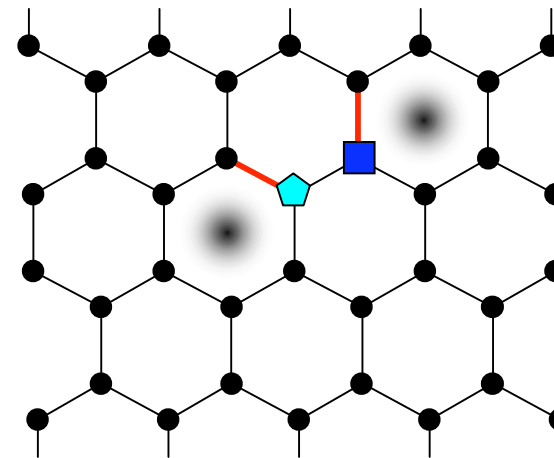
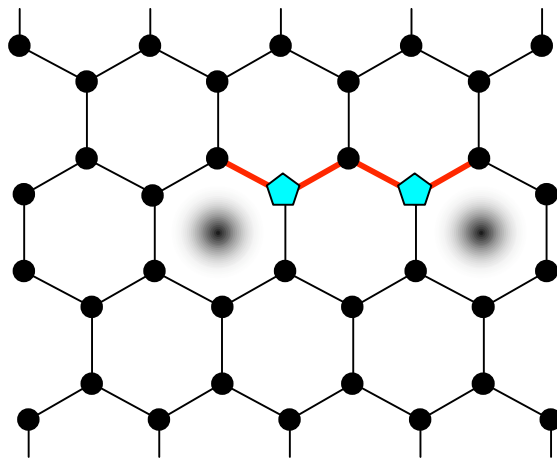
$$W_p |\psi\rangle = w_p |\psi\rangle \quad \text{where } w_p = \pm 1$$

A Pauli operator σ^α_k at a vertex k
 flips the vortex states of those plaquettes
 which share the link $\alpha(k)$ originating at the vertex k

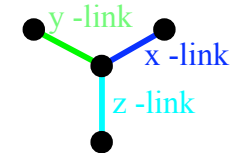
$$W_p \sigma^\alpha_k |\psi\rangle = -w_p |\psi\rangle$$



... and the same kind of operation can be used to move vortices ...



- σ^x
- ▲ σ^y
- ⬠ σ^z



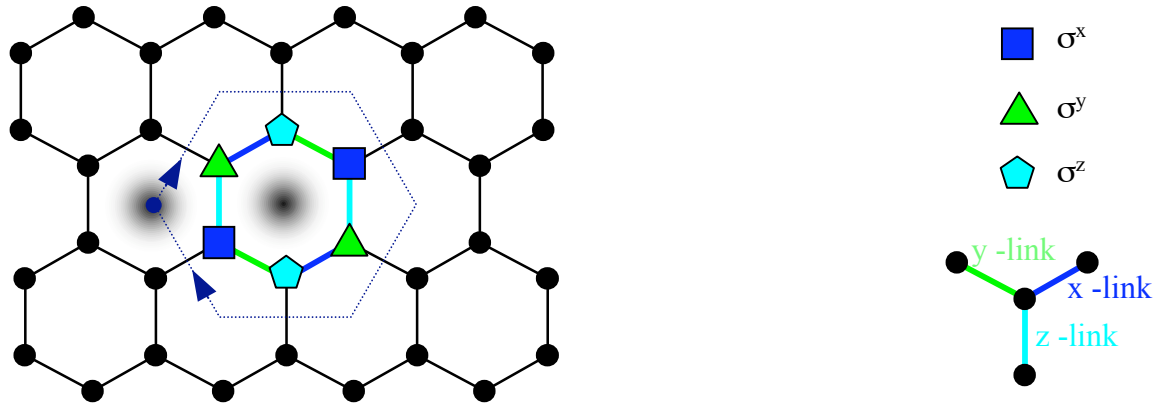
... however, moving vortices cost energy in general

$$\langle \phi | \sigma^\alpha_k H \sigma^\alpha_k | \phi \rangle = \langle \phi | H | \phi \rangle + 2J_\beta \langle \phi | K^\beta_{\beta(k)} | \phi \rangle + 2J_\gamma \langle \phi | K^\gamma_{\gamma(k)} | \phi \rangle$$

and that in general spoils the statistical phase.

Statistics of vortices

Exploiting spin-statistics theorem

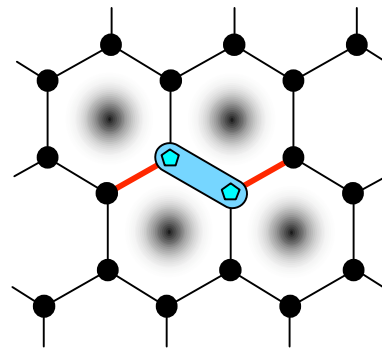


The statistical phase associated with 2π rotation of a pair of vortices is -1 , that means

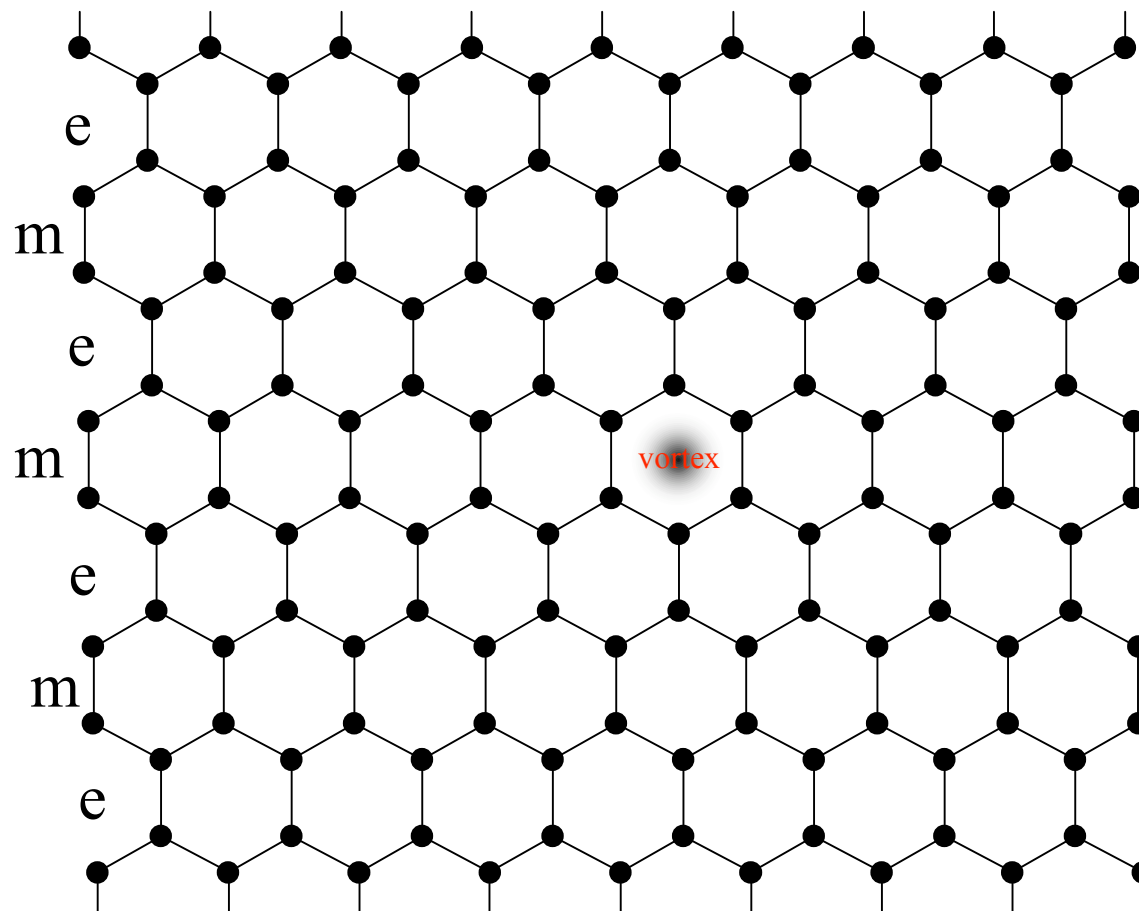
- the pair of vortices form a fermion (of a new kind)
- the vortices are semions, i.e. abelian anyons with the statistical phase $i = (-1)^{1/2}$

These fermions are created by applying a two-spin operator

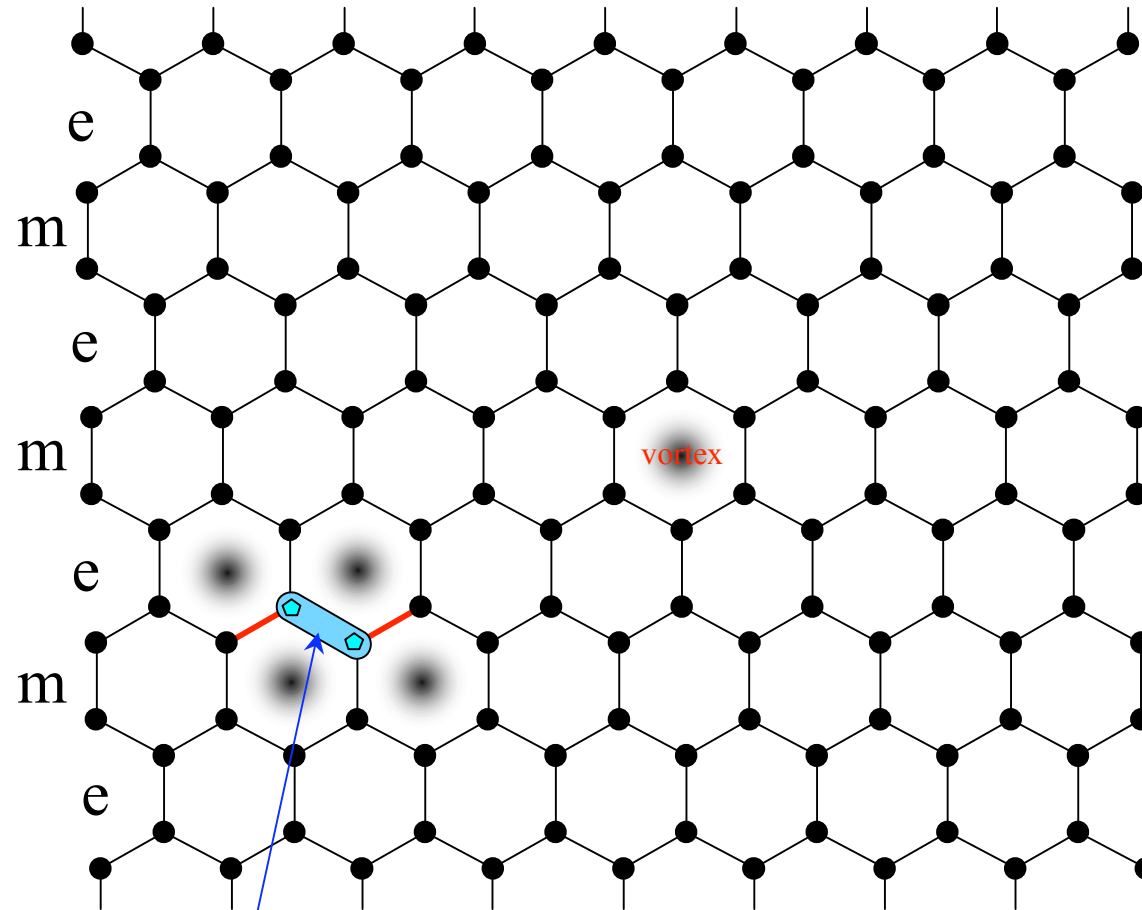
$$K_{k,k+1}^\alpha = \sigma_k^\alpha \sigma_{k+1}^\alpha$$



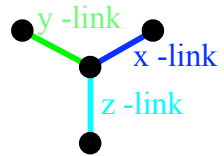
Mutual statistics of fermions and vortices



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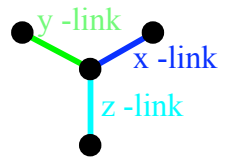
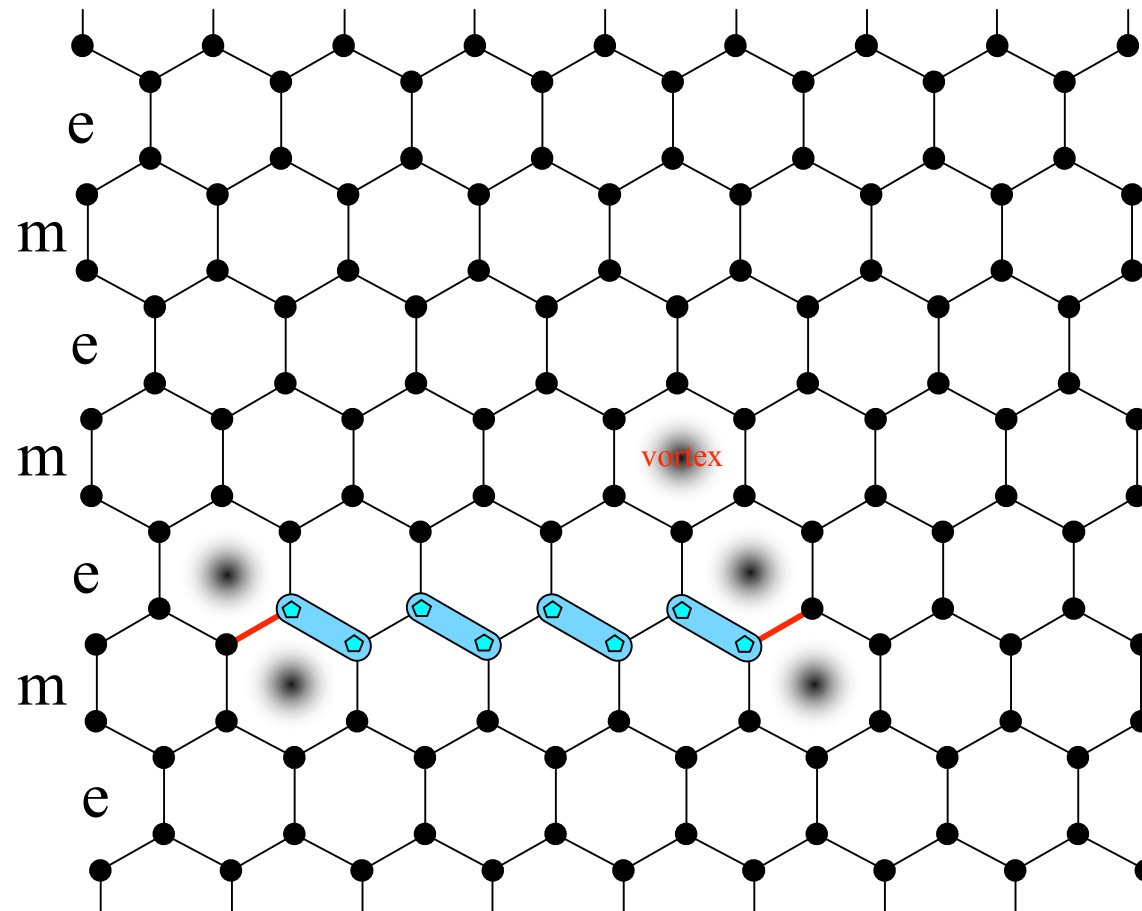
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excitation of a pair of fermions by the operator

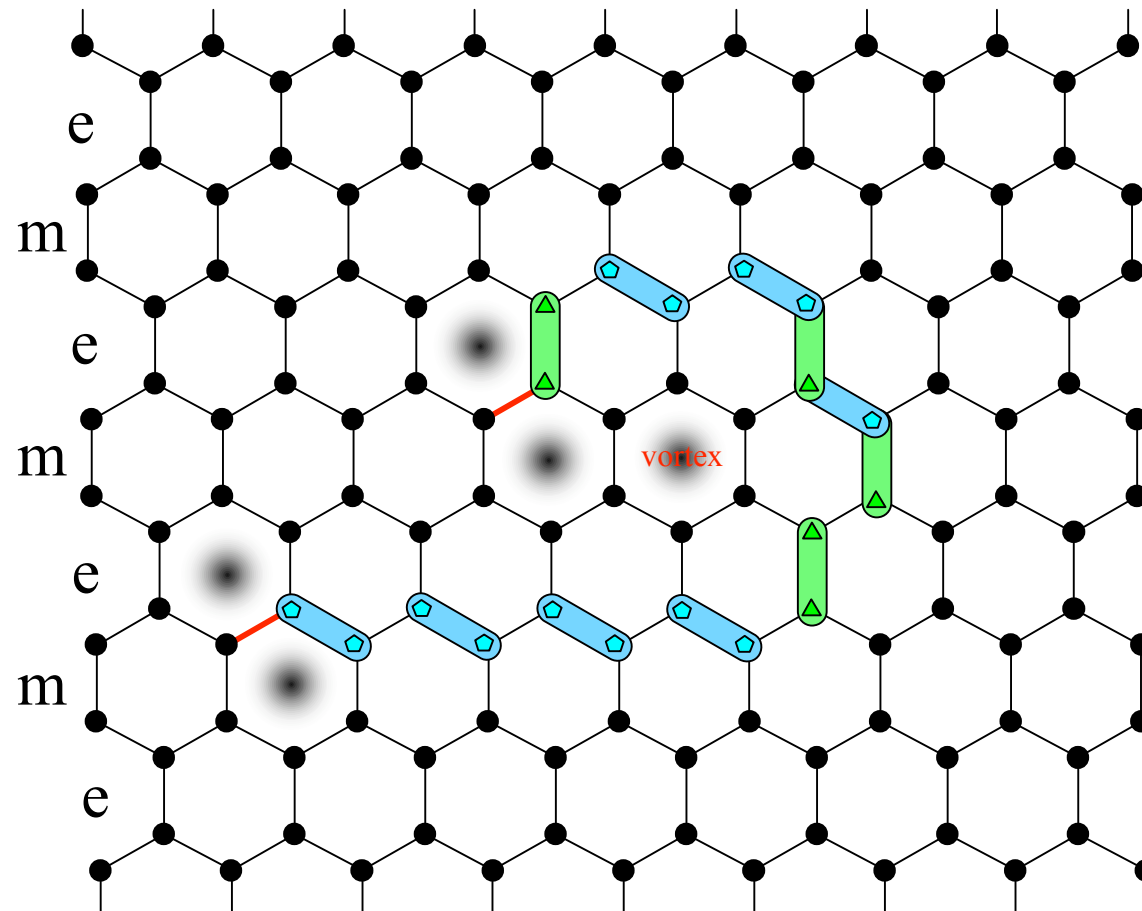
$$K_{k,k+1}^\alpha = \sigma_k^\alpha \sigma_{k+1}^\alpha \text{ with } \alpha = z$$

Mutual statistics of fermions and vortices

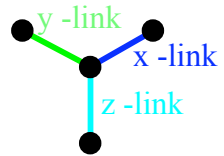


moving fermions costs no energy

Mutual statistics of fermions and vortices

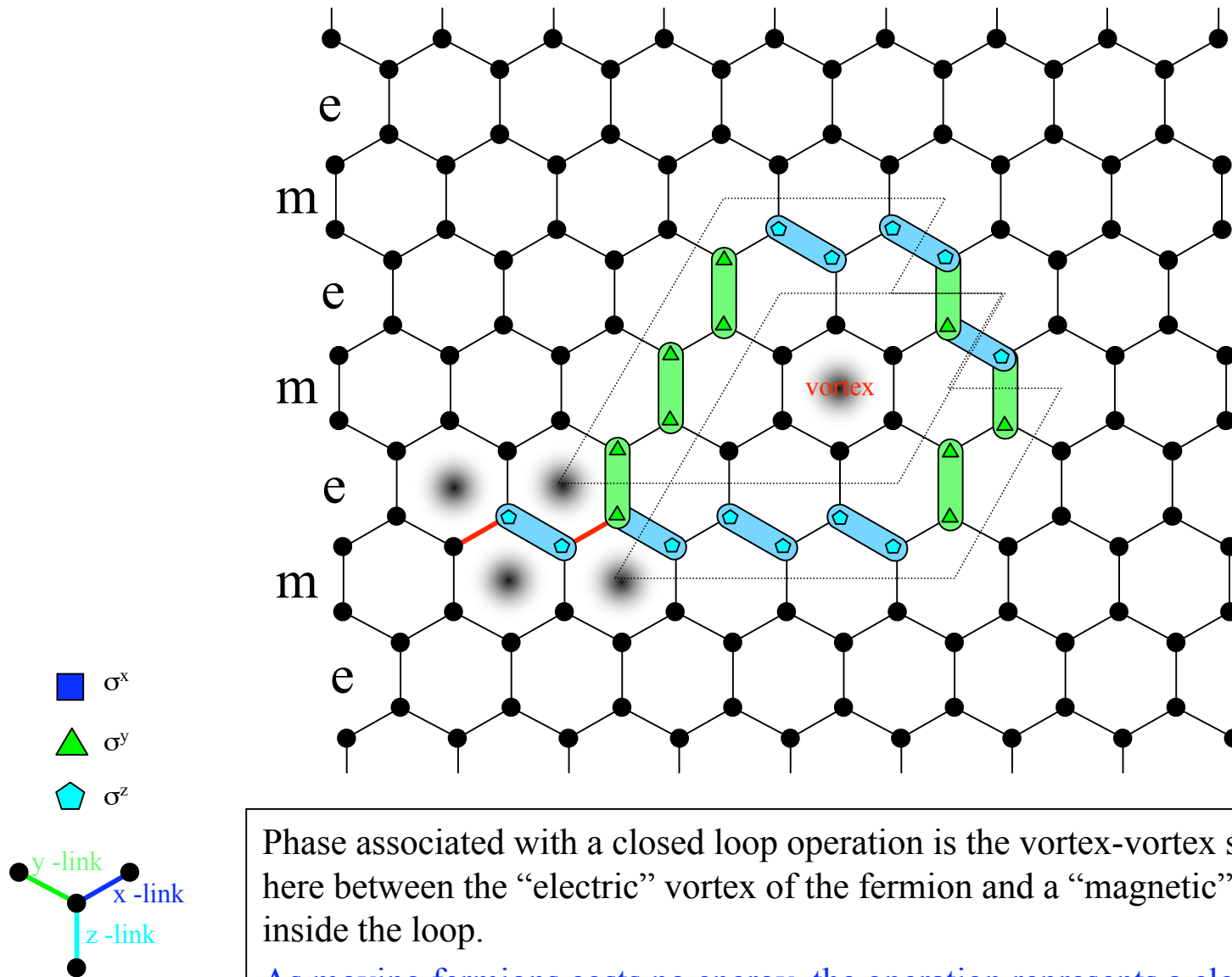


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moving fermions around the vortex
with no energy cost

Mutual statistics of fermions and vortices



Phase associated with a closed loop operation is the vortex-vortex statistical phase, here between the “electric” vortex of the fermion and a “magnetic” vortex inside the loop.

As moving fermions costs no energy, the operation represents a clean realization of abelian statistics in the Kitaev honeycomb lattice model.

Conclusions

Symmetries

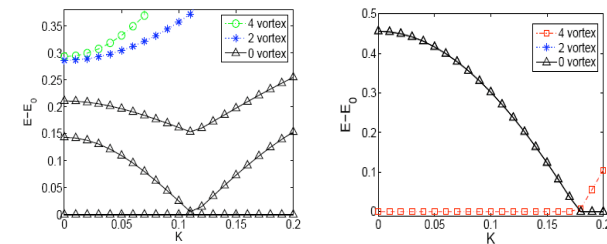
- classification of all closed loop symmetries of the Kitaev model valid for all parameter ranges and all possible lattice configurations
- exact perturbative derivation of the full effective Hamiltonian of the model on torus

Spectral properties

- complete classification of finite size effects on torus
- spectral properties of the this torus limit exhibits spectral features which are strikingly similar to the behavior of full model without and with magnetic field (in progress, numerics)
- perturbative magnetic field opens spectral gap in the nonabelian phase on torus (numerics)

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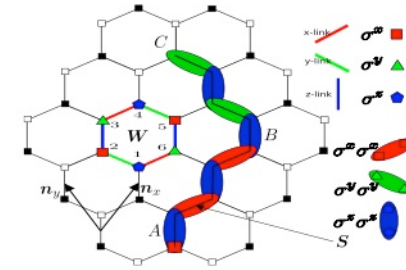
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$$H_0 = - \sum_{\alpha \in \{x,y,z\}} \sum_{i,j} J_\alpha K_{i,j}^\alpha$$

$$H_1 = -\kappa \sum_{\mathbf{a}} \sum_{l=1}^6 P(\mathbf{q})^{(l)}$$

$$\sum_{l=1}^6 P(\mathbf{q})^{(l)} = \sigma_1^x \sigma_6^y \sigma_5^z + \sigma_2^z \sigma_3^y \sigma_4^x + \sigma_1^y \sigma_2^x \sigma_3^z + \sigma_4^y \sigma_5^x \sigma_6^z + \sigma_3^x \sigma_4^z \sigma_5^y + \sigma_2^y \sigma_1^z \sigma_6^x.$$



Definition of hard-core bosons and effective spins of the “z-dimers”

$$\begin{aligned} |\uparrow_{\blacksquare} \uparrow_{\square}\rangle &= |\uparrow, 0\rangle, & |\downarrow_{\blacksquare} \downarrow_{\square}\rangle &= |\downarrow, 0\rangle, \\ |\uparrow_{\blacksquare} \downarrow_{\square}\rangle &= |\uparrow, 1\rangle, & |\downarrow_{\blacksquare} \uparrow_{\square}\rangle &= |\downarrow, 1\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\mathbf{q},\blacksquare}^x &= \tau_{\mathbf{q}}^x (b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger + b_{\mathbf{q}}), & \sigma_{\mathbf{q},\square}^x &= b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger + b_{\mathbf{q}}, \\ \sigma_{\mathbf{q},\blacksquare}^y &= \tau_{\mathbf{q}}^y (b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger + b_{\mathbf{q}}), & \sigma_{\mathbf{q},\square}^y &= i\tau_{\mathbf{q}}^z (b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger - b_{\mathbf{q}}), \\ \sigma_{\mathbf{q},\blacksquare}^z &= \tau_{\mathbf{q}}^z, & \sigma_{\mathbf{q},\square}^z &= \tau_{\mathbf{q}}^z (I - 2b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger b_{\mathbf{q}}), \end{aligned}$$

Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 &= -J_x \sum_{\mathbf{q}} (b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger + b_{\mathbf{q}}) \tau_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{n}_x}^x (b_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{n}_x}^\dagger + b_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{n}_x}) \\ &\quad - J_y \sum_{\mathbf{q}} i\tau_{\mathbf{q}}^z (b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger - b_{\mathbf{q}}) \tau_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{n}_y}^y (b_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{n}_y}^\dagger + b_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{n}_y}) \\ &\quad - J_z \sum_{\mathbf{q}} (I - 2b_{\mathbf{q}}^\dagger b_{\mathbf{q}}). \end{aligned}$$

Vortex operators

$$W_{\mathbf{q}} = (I - 2N_{\mathbf{q}})(I - 2N_{\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{n}_y})Q_{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_{q_x, q_y} &\equiv \prod_{q'_y=0}^{q_y-1} W_{q_x, q'_y} \\ &= (I - 2N_{q_x, 0})(I - 2N_{q_x, q_y}) \prod_{q'_y=0}^{q_y-1} Q_{q_x, q'_y} \end{aligned}$$

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Strings

$$S_q \equiv \sigma_{(q_x, q_y), \blacksquare}^y \sigma_{(q_x, q_y - 1), \square}^z \sigma_{(q_x, q_y - 1), \square}^z \dots \sigma_{(q_x, 1), \blacksquare}^y \sigma_{(q_x, 0), \square}^z \sigma_{(q_x, 0), \square}^z \sigma_{(q_x, 0), \blacksquare}^x \sigma_{(q_x, 0), \blacksquare}^x \dots \sigma_{(1, 0), \blacksquare}^x \sigma_{(0, 0), \square}^z \sigma_{(0, 0), \square}^z \sigma_{(0, 0), \blacksquare}^x \sigma_{(0, 0), \blacksquare}^x \cdot$$

Fermionic operators
(Jordan-Wigner)

$$c_q^\dagger = b_q^\dagger S'_q, \quad c_q = b_q S'_q$$

$$\{c_q^\dagger, c_{q'}\} = \delta_{qq'}, \quad \{c_q^\dagger, c_{q'}^\dagger\} = 0, \quad \{c_q, c_{q'}\} = 0.$$

Hamiltonian

$$H = J_x \sum_q X_q (c_q^\dagger - c_q) (c_{q+n_x}^\dagger + c_{q+n_x})$$

$$+ J_y \sum_q Y_q (c_q^\dagger - c_q) (c_{q+n_y}^\dagger + c_{q+n_y})$$

$$+ J_z \sum_q (2c_q^\dagger c_q - I),$$

Momentum representation

$$c_q = M^{-1/2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q}}.$$

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left[\xi_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}} + \frac{1}{2} (\Delta c_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k}}^\dagger + \Delta^* c_{-\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}}) \right] - M J_z$$

$$\xi_{\mathbf{k}} = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \mu$$

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = \alpha_{\mathbf{k}} + i\beta_{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$\mu = -2J_z$$

$$\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} = 2J_x \cos(k_x) + 2J_y \cos(k_y)$$

$$\alpha_{\mathbf{k}} = 4\kappa(\sin(k_x) - \sin(k_y) - \sin(k_x - k_y))$$

$$\beta_{\mathbf{k}} = 2J_x \sin(k_x) + 2J_y \sin(k_y).$$

Bogoliubov transformation

$$\gamma_{\mathbf{k}} = u_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}} - v_{\mathbf{k}} c_{-\mathbf{k}}^\dagger,$$

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} E_{\mathbf{k}} (\gamma_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \gamma_{\mathbf{k}} - 1/2)$$

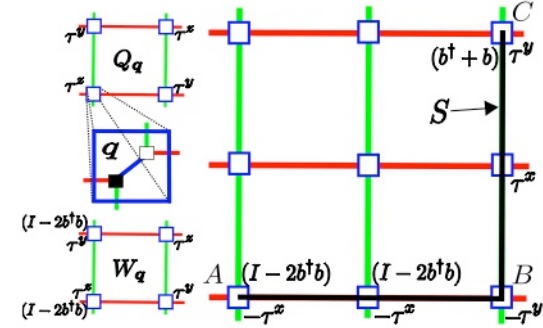
$$E_{\mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{\xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + |\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2}$$

$$u_{\mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{1/2(1 + \xi_{\mathbf{k}}/E_{\mathbf{k}})}$$

$$v_{\mathbf{k}} = i\sqrt{1/2(1 - \xi_{\mathbf{k}}/E_{\mathbf{k}})}$$

BCS-type state

$$|\text{gs}\rangle = \prod_{\mathbf{k}} (u_{\mathbf{k}} + v_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k}}^\dagger) | \{W_q\}, \{\emptyset\} \rangle.$$



In addition the paper includes also:

- fermionization on torus
- effective magnetic field (non-abelian topological phase)



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