# Effective and exact dimensional reduction (and finite temperature topological orders) 

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## Effective dimensional reduction-Symmetries

Given a $D$-dim theory:

A d-dim GLS is a group of transformations that leave the theory invariant such that the minimum non empty set of fields that are changed under the symmetry operation occupies a d-dim region

$d=0$ (Gauge)

$$
d<D \text { (Gauge-Like) }
$$

$$
d=D \text { (Global) }
$$

## Group: $\mathcal{G}_{d}$



## Gauge-Like-Symmetries $D=2$

 $d=0 \quad$ (Ising Gauge Theory)$$
H=-K \sum_{p} \sigma_{i j}^{z} \sigma_{j k}^{z} \sigma_{k l}^{z} \sigma_{l i}^{z} \quad G_{i}=\prod_{s \in \mathrm{nn}} \sigma_{i s}^{x}
$$

$d=1 \quad$ (Orbital Compass Model)

$$
\begin{gathered}
H=-\sum_{i}\left[J_{x} \sigma_{i}^{x} \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_{x}}^{x}+J_{z} \sigma_{i}^{z} \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_{y}}^{z}\right] \\
O^{x}=\prod_{j \in C_{x}} i \sigma_{j}^{x} \quad O^{z}=\prod_{j \in C_{y}} i \sigma_{j}^{z}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
d=D=2 \quad(\mathrm{XY} \text { model })
$$

$$
H=-J \sum_{\langle i j\rangle}\left[\sigma_{i}^{x} \sigma_{j}^{x}+\sigma_{i}^{y} \sigma_{j}^{y}\right]
$$

$$
U(\theta)=\prod \exp \left[-(i / 2) \theta \sigma_{j}^{z}\right]
$$

## Intuitive Physical Picture

## Orbital Compass Model $H=J \sum_{\vec{r}}\left(\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{x} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{x}}^{x}+\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{y} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{y}}^{y}\right)$

## Symmetries

$$
\begin{gathered}
H=J \sum_{\vec{r}}\left(\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{x} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{x}}^{x}+\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{y} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{y}}^{y}\right) \\
\vec{\phi}(\vec{x})=\left(\phi_{1}(\vec{x}), \phi_{2}(\vec{x})\right) \quad \vec{x}=\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \\
W\left(\phi_{\mu}\right)=u\left(\sum_{\mu}\left|\phi_{\mu}\right|^{2}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu} m^{2}\left(\left|\phi_{\mu}\right|^{2}\right) \\
\mathcal{L}=\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu}\left|\partial_{\mu} \phi_{\mu}\right|^{2}+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu}\left|\partial_{\tau} \phi_{\mu}\right|^{2}+W\left(\phi_{\mu}\right) \\
W\left(\phi_{\mu}\right)=u\left(\sum_{\mu}\left|\phi_{\mu}\right|^{2}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu} m^{2}\left(\left|\phi_{\mu}\right|^{2}\right) \\
\phi_{\mu} \rightarrow e^{i \psi_{\mu}\left(\left\{x_{\mu}\right\}_{\nu \neq \mu}\right)} \phi_{\mu}
\end{gathered}
$$

## $d$-GLSs and Topological Phases

There is a connection between Topological Phases and the group generators of $d$-GLSs and its Topological defects
$d=1 \quad\left(D=2\right.$ Orbital Compass Model) $\quad C_{x}$ : closed path

$$
O^{x}=e^{i \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{j \in C_{x}} \sigma_{j}^{x}}=\mathcal{P} e^{i \oint_{C_{x}} \vec{A} \cdot \overrightarrow{d s}}
$$

Symmetries are linking operators:
$O^{\mu}\left|g_{\alpha}\right\rangle=\left|g_{\beta}\right\rangle$


Topological defect: $C_{+}$: open path

$$
D^{x}=e^{i \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{j \in C_{+}} \sigma_{j}^{x}}=\mathcal{P} e^{i \int_{C_{+}} \vec{A} \cdot \overrightarrow{d s}}
$$

Defect-Antidefect pair creation

Dimensional reduction in classical systems:
$\phi(\boldsymbol{x})=\left\{\begin{array}{cll}\phi_{0}(\boldsymbol{x}) & \text { if } & \boldsymbol{x} \in \Gamma \\ \psi(\boldsymbol{x}) & \text { if } & \boldsymbol{x} \in \bar{\Lambda}\end{array}\right.$
$f[\phi]=f\left[\phi_{0}\right]$ localized observable

$\langle f\rangle^{D}=\sum_{\{\psi\}} \sum_{\left\{\phi_{0}\right\}} f\left[\phi_{0}\right] \frac{e^{-\beta E\left[\phi_{0}, \psi\right]}}{\mathcal{Z}}=\sum_{\{\psi\}} \frac{z[\psi]}{\mathcal{Z}} \frac{\sum_{\left\{\phi_{0}\right\}} f\left(\phi_{0}\right) e^{-\beta E\left[\phi_{0}, \psi\right]}}{z[\psi]}$
$\langle f\rangle_{l}^{d} \equiv \min _{\psi}\langle f\rangle^{d}[\psi]=\langle f\rangle^{d}\left[\psi_{\text {min }}\right], \quad\langle f\rangle_{u}^{d} \equiv \max _{\psi}\langle f\rangle^{d}[\psi]=\langle f\rangle^{d}\left[\psi_{\text {max }}\right]$

$$
\langle f\rangle_{l}^{d} \leq\langle f\rangle^{D} \leq\langle f\rangle_{u}^{d} \quad \text { f may be any function. }
$$

$\langle f\rangle_{l}^{d}: E_{l}\left[\phi_{0}, \psi_{\text {min }}\right]$ and $\langle f\rangle_{u}^{d}: E_{u}\left[\phi_{0}, \psi_{\max }\right]$ Local lower dimensional theories

## Lower dimensional bounds

$D$-dim system with Hamiltonian $H_{D}$ and $d$-GLS group $\mathcal{G}_{d}$
The absolute value of the average of any quasi-local quantity $f$ which is not invariant under $d$-GLS $\mathcal{G}_{d}$ is bounded from above by the absolute value of the mean of the same quantity when this quasi-local quantity is computed with a $d$ - $\operatorname{dim} H_{d}$ that is globally invariant under $\mathcal{G}_{d}$ and preserves the range of the interactions in the original $D$-dim system


## Dimensional reduction

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## To Break or not to Break

Can we spontaneously break a $d$-GLS in a $D$-dim system ?
From the Generalized Elitzur's Theorem: (finite-range int.)
For non- $\mathcal{G}_{d}$-invariant quantities

- $d=0$ SSB is forbidden
- $d=1 \mathrm{SSB}$ is forbidden
- $d=2$ (continuous) SSB is forbidden
$d=2$ (discrete) SSB may be broken
- $d=2$ (continuous with a gap) SSB is forbidden even at $T=0$

Transitions and crossovers are signaled by symmetry-invariant string/braņe or Wilson-like loops

## Example of application

## Orbital Compass Model

$H=J \sum_{\vec{r}}\left(\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{x} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{x}}^{x}+\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{y} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{y}}^{y}\right)$
1111111
 around the $y$-axis $\Rightarrow$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 1111111
\end{aligned}
$$

Lowest order allowed order paramet Nematic $\left\langle\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{x} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{x}}^{x}-\sigma_{\vec{r}}^{y} \sigma_{\vec{r}+\hat{e}_{y}}^{y}\right\rangle$

## Physical Consequences dimensional reduction

- Conservation Laws within $d$-dim regions: Additional conserved currents

- Topological terms that appear in $d+1$ also appear in $D+1$
- Freely propagating $d$-dim topological defects

$d=1$ soliton in the $D=2$ orbital compass model
(Finite Energy cost)


## Elasticity in space-time

Anisotropic derivatives (compass-like)

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathcal{L}=\frac{1}{2} C_{\mu a \nu b} \partial^{\mu} u^{a} \partial^{\nu} u^{b} \quad\left(u_{\tau}=0\right) \\
J_{\mu_{1} \ldots \mu_{D-1}}^{a}=\varepsilon_{\mu_{1} \ldots \mu_{D-1} \nu \lambda} \partial^{\nu} \partial^{\lambda} u^{a} \\
\rho=\rho_{0}\left[1-\partial_{i} u^{i}\right] \\
\mathbf{j}=\rho_{0} \partial_{\tau} \mathbf{u} \\
{\left[\partial_{\tau} \partial_{i} u^{i}-\partial_{i} \partial_{\tau} u^{i}\right]=0} \\
\varepsilon_{\tau a i_{1} \ldots i_{D-1}} J_{i_{1} \ldots i_{D-1}}^{a}=0
\end{gathered}
$$

Glide constraint on dislocation motion

## Elasticity in space-time

$$
\begin{aligned}
& J_{b}^{a}=\quad \epsilon_{b \nu \lambda} \partial_{\nu} \partial_{\lambda} u_{P}^{a} \\
& =\quad \delta_{b}^{(2)}(L) n_{a} \equiv n_{a} \int_{L} d \tau^{\prime} \frac{d \bar{r}_{b}}{d \tau^{\prime}} \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r}-\vec{r}) \\
& =\quad n_{a} \int_{L} d \tau^{\prime} \dot{\bar{r}}_{b}\left(\tau^{\prime}\right) \delta^{(2)}(\vec{r}-\overrightarrow{\vec{r}}) \delta^{(1)}\left(\tau-\tau^{\prime}\right) \\
& \left.=\quad n_{a} \dot{\bar{x}}_{b}(\tau) \delta^{(2)}(\vec{r}-\vec{r}(\tau))\right) \\
& \equiv \quad n_{a} v_{b} \delta^{(2)}\left(\vec{x}_{1,2}-\overrightarrow{\vec{x}}_{1,2}\right) \\
& J_{y}^{x}-J_{x}^{y}=\left(n_{x} v_{y}-n_{y} v_{x}\right) \delta^{(2)}\left(\vec{x}_{1,2}-\vec{x}_{1,2}\right)=0 \\
& \vec{v} \times \vec{n}=0 \\
& \text { Glide constraint on dislocation motion }
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Exact dimensional reduction- dualifies

The "X-cube model" and some of its generalizations are dual to classial Ising choins. (The same applies to the Toric Code.)


$$
H=-a \sum_{c} A_{c}-b \sum_{\mu, v} B_{v}^{\mu},
$$

$$
A_{c} \equiv \prod_{n \in \partial c} \sigma_{n}^{x},
$$

$$
B_{v}^{x} \equiv \sigma_{j}^{z} \sigma_{n}^{z} \sigma_{\ell}^{z} \sigma_{m}^{z}, \quad B_{v}^{y} \equiv \sigma_{i}^{z} \sigma_{n}^{z} \sigma_{k}^{z} \sigma_{m}^{z}, \quad B_{v}^{z} \equiv \sigma_{i}^{z} \sigma_{j}^{z} \sigma_{k}^{z} \sigma_{\ell}^{z} .
$$

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$$
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$$

$$
B_{v}^{x} B_{v}^{y} B_{v}^{z}=1
$$

A "bond algebraic duality": $A_{c} \rightarrow r_{m}, \quad 1 \leq m \leq L^{3}$,

$$
B_{v}^{x} \rightarrow s_{1}^{n}, \quad B_{v}^{y} \rightarrow s_{2}^{n}, \quad B_{v}^{z} \rightarrow s_{1}^{n} s_{2}^{n}, \quad 1 \leq n \leq(L-1)^{3}
$$

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$$

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$\mathcal{Z}_{O p e n}=2^{3 L^{3}+6 L^{2}+3 L}(\cosh \beta a)^{L^{3}}\left[(\cosh \beta b)^{3}+(\sinh \beta b)^{3}\right]^{(L-1)^{3}}$

## Other dualities to Ising chains

Kitaev's toric code model:


$$
H_{K}=-\sum_{s} A_{s}-\sum_{p} B_{p}
$$

$$
A_{s}=\prod_{i j \in \operatorname{star}(s)} \sigma_{i j}^{x}
$$

$$
B_{p}=\prod_{i j \in \operatorname{boundary}(p)} \sigma_{i j}^{z}
$$

Duality mappings: Non-local (Identical spectra)

2 Ising chains:
Wen's plaquette model:

$$
H_{W}=-\sum_{i} \sigma_{i}^{x} \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_{x}}^{y} \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_{x}+\hat{e}_{y}}^{x} \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_{y}}^{y}
$$


$H_{I}=-\sum_{s} \sigma_{s}^{z} \sigma_{s+1}^{z}-\sum_{p} \sigma_{p}^{z} \sigma_{p+1}^{z}$

## Other dimensional reductions

| Model | $D$ | $d$ | Dual Model | Universality Class |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2D Toric Code [6, 14] | 2 | 1 | Two decoupled 1D Ising chains | 1D Ising |
| 2D Honeycomb Toric Code [18, 31] | 2 | 1 | Two decoupled 1D Ising chains | 1D Ising |
| Color Codes [18, 32] | 2 | 1 | Two decoupled 1D Ising chains | 1D Ising |
| 3D Toric Code [14, 33] | 3 | 0,1 | Decoupled 1D Ising and 3D Ising models | 3D Ising |
| X-Cube* $[8,34]$ | 3 | 1,2 | Decoupled $L$ 1D Ising and $L-1$ 1D Ising-gauge | 1D Ising |
| Haah's Code** $[12,13,30]$ | 3 | 2 | Two decoupled 1D Ising chains | 1D Ising |
| 4D Toric Code [7, 35] | 4 | 2 | Two decoupled 4D Ising models | 4D Ising |
| Chamon's XXYYZZ $[18,27,36]$ | 3 | 1 | Four decoupled 1D Ising chains | 1D Ising |

TABLE I: Universality classes of stabilizer code Hamiltonians. $D$ is the spatial dimension of the lattice model. $d$ is the dimension of the gauge-like symmetries. Dualities are defined as equivalence relations between partition functions: the 3DTC, for example, has a partition function proportional to the product of a 1D Ising and a 3D Ising partition function. While Chamon's XXYYZZ model is not an stabilizer code, it can also be shown by duality to exhibit dimensional reduction. Additionally, while all listed models above are constructed using Pauli operators, very similar results may be obtained for non-Pauli models, such as those with $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ clock operators or $U(1)$ operators. *: While the X-Cube model's universality class does not depend on any choice of boundary conditions, the particular duality chosen holds for the case of cylindrical boundary conditions. **: The duality given below for Haah's code holds explicitly for those values of $L$ for which the Ground State Degeneracy (GSD) is 4 .
https://arxiv.org/pdf/1907.04180.pdf

## Dependence of degeneracy of classical systems on topology



$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{C}_{+}: \prod_{A_{s}^{z}=1,} \\
& C_{-}: \prod_{p} B_{p}^{z}=1 .
\end{aligned}
$$

$n_{\text {g.s. }}^{\text {General Toric-Code }}=4^{g} \times 2^{C_{g}^{\Lambda}-2} . \quad \begin{cases}\text { Type I, } & \begin{array}{l}L_{x} \neq L_{y} \text { where at least } \\ \text { one of } L_{x} \text { or } L_{y} \text { is odd } \\ \text { Type II, } \\ \text { otherwise. }\end{array}\end{cases}$

$$
C_{g=1}^{\Lambda}= \begin{cases}2, & \Lambda \text { is a Type I lattice } \\ 2 \min \left\{L_{x}, L_{y}\right\}, & \Lambda \text { is a Type II lattice }\end{cases}
$$

## Local order parameters

In a ferromagnet, a local expectation value is different for different orthogonal ground states (GSs)

$$
\left\langle g_{\alpha}\right| \hat{M}\left|g_{\alpha}\right\rangle \neq\left\langle g_{\beta}\right| \hat{M}\left|g_{\beta}\right\rangle \quad T=0
$$

Applying different boundary conditions can lead, at sufficiently low temperatures to spontaneous symmetry breaking

$$
\langle\hat{M}\rangle_{\alpha} \neq\langle\hat{M}\rangle_{\beta} \quad T \neq 0
$$

Local Measurements can distinguish the GSs

## Concepts involved in TQO

Degeneracy

## Fractionalization

Symmetry


Entanglement Entropy


Maximal Strings/Branes


In this "web", none of these features rigorously imply another. For instance, a system may have topological entanglement entropy yet not display topological order in the sense of stability. Similarly, string orders and fractionalization appear in systems displaying conventional symmetry breaking (e.g., the AKLT spin chain exhibits nematic order).

## Concepts involved in TQO



It is important to establish what is needed to display TQO

## Topological Quantum Order

Colloquially, TQO is often very loosely referred to as order whose GS degeneracy depends on the surface topology of the manifold on which the physical system is embedded.

Order is evident only in non-local (topological)

## Working definition: Robustness

Non-Distinguishability: Given a quasi-local operator $\hat{V}^{m}$

## Kitaev:

$$
\left\langle g_{\alpha}\right| \hat{V}^{m}\left|g_{\beta}\right\rangle=c \delta_{\alpha \beta}, \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{S}_{0}
$$

## A first definition of Finite Temperature Topological Quantum Order

## Robustness:

To determine what is needed for TQO, we start by defining it. Given a set of $N$ orthonormal ground states (GSs) $\left\{\left|g_{\alpha}\right\rangle\right\}_{\alpha=1, \ldots, N}$ and a (uniform) gap to excited states, TQO exists iff for any bounded operator $V$ with compact support (i.e. any quasi-local operator),

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\langle g_{\alpha}\right| V\left|g_{\beta}\right\rangle=v \delta_{\alpha \beta}+c \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $v$ is a constant and $c$ is a correction that it is either zero or vanishes exponentially in the thermodynamic limit. We will also examine a finite temperature $(T>0)$ extension for the diagonal elements of Eq. (1),

$$
\begin{equation*}
\langle V\rangle_{\alpha} \equiv \operatorname{tr}\left(\rho_{\alpha} V\right)=v+c \quad(\text { independent of } \alpha) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $\rho_{\alpha}=\exp \left[-H_{\alpha} /\left(k_{B} T\right)\right]$ a density matrix corresponding to the Hamiltonian $H$ endowed with an infinitesimal symmetry-breaking field favoring order in the state $\left|g_{\alpha}\right\rangle$. A system displays finite- $T$ TQO if it satisfies both Eqs. (1), and (2).

## Error detection

## Propagation of errors



## $\hat{T}$

Logical operators (non-commuting braiding operations)

$$
\left[H, \hat{T}_{\mu}\right]=0
$$

Protected subspace: $\quad \hat{P}_{0}=\sum_{\alpha}\left|g_{\alpha}\right\rangle\left\langle g_{\alpha}\right|$
As long as: $\quad\left[\hat{P}_{0} V \hat{P}_{0}, \hat{T}_{\mu}\right]=0$ Causes no harm to $\hat{T}_{\mu}$
Non-distinguishability condition implies

$$
\left[\hat{P}_{0} V \hat{P}_{0}, \hat{T}_{\mu}\right]=0
$$

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## Theorem

## Linking TQO and GLSs

Any physical system which displays $T=0$ TQO, and interactions of finite range and strength, in which all GSs (satisfying the non-distinguishability condition) can be linked by discrete $d<2$ or continuous $d<3$ GLSs, has TQO at all temperatures.

## ( $d$-GLSs with $d<D$ can mandate the absence of SSB)

## Stability and Protection of TQO

What happens when the $d$-GLSs $\mathcal{G}_{d}$ are not exact symmetries of the full $H$ ?

## (i.e., effect of perturbations)

## As long as $d$-GLSs are Emergent Symmetries

## TQO is protected

Case I: (Exact result) Continuous $d<2$ emergent symmetry in a gapped system, TQO is protected

Case II: Numerous systems with exact discrete $d$-GLSs are adiabatically connected to TQO states where $d$-GLSs are emergent, i.e. TQO is protected

## Thermal Fragility

In TQO systems, which have a gap, does temperature preclude protection of information?


$$
\begin{gathered}
H=-\sum_{s} A_{s}-\sum_{p} B_{p} \\
A_{s}=\prod_{i j \in \operatorname{star}(s)} \sigma_{i j}^{x} \quad B_{p}=\prod_{i j \in \operatorname{plaquette}(p)} \sigma_{i j}^{z} \\
X_{1,2}=\prod_{i j \in C_{1,2}^{\prime}} \sigma_{i j}^{x} \quad Z_{1,2}=\prod_{i j \in C_{1,2}} \sigma_{i j}^{z} \\
\quad\left\{X_{i}, Z_{i}\right\}=0,\left[X_{i}, Z_{j}\right]=0
\end{gathered}
$$

Free-energy is analytic
No thermodynamic phase transition!

## Thermal Fragility

For a finite size: By Symmetry

$$
\left\langle Z_{1}\right\rangle=\left\langle Z_{2}\right\rangle=\left\langle X_{1}\right\rangle=\left\langle X_{2}\right\rangle=0
$$

Partition function (2 Ising chains):

$$
\begin{aligned}
Z & =\operatorname{tr}\left[\exp \left[-\beta\left(H-\sum_{i=1,2}\left(h_{x, i} X_{i}+h_{z, i} Z_{i}\right)\right)\right]\right] \\
& =\left[(2 \cosh \beta)^{N_{s}}+(2 \sinh \beta)^{N_{s}}\right]^{2} \cosh \beta h_{1} \cosh \beta h_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
h_{i} & =\sqrt{h_{x, i}^{2}+h_{z, i}^{2}} \\
\left\langle Z_{i}\right\rangle & =\lim _{h_{z, i} \rightarrow 0^{+}} \frac{\partial}{\partial\left(\beta h_{z, i}\right)} \ln Z=\lim _{h_{z, i} \rightarrow 0^{+}} \frac{h_{z, i}}{h_{i}} \tanh \left(\beta h_{i}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
=0
$$

$\left\langle X_{i}\right\rangle=\lim _{h_{x, i} \rightarrow 0^{+}} \frac{\partial}{\partial\left(\beta h_{x, i}\right)} \ln Z=\lim _{h_{x, i} \rightarrow 0^{+}} \frac{h_{x, i}}{h_{i}} \tanh \left(\beta h_{i}\right)$

## Thermal Fragility: Energy-Entropy budget

From a Physics standpoint:

$$
\left\langle Z_{1}\right\rangle=\left\langle Z_{2}\right\rangle=\left\langle X_{1}\right\rangle=\left\langle X_{2}\right\rangle=0
$$

Energy penalty for excitations: Independent of system size $\cdots \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \cdots+\downarrow+\uparrow \uparrow \cdots$

Entropy: Log in the system size
From loss of order: $\quad N_{s} \gtrsim \xi=\frac{1}{\ln \operatorname{coth} \beta J} \rightarrow_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{2 \beta J}}{2}$
(similarly from energy-entropy considerations)

## Thermal Fragility: Dynamical aspects

Time autocorrelation functions: Toric code with heat bath

$$
G_{X_{\mu}}(t) \equiv\left\langle X_{\mu}(0) X_{\mu}(t)\right\rangle \sim e^{-(|t| / \tau)^{t}}
$$

$\tau$ is independent of system size

1) Long-times: $\quad|t| \gg \tau=\frac{\text { const. }}{1-\tanh 2 \beta J} \rightarrow_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} e^{\beta \Delta}$

$$
\epsilon=1
$$

2) Intermediate-times: const. $\ll|t| \ll \tau=\frac{\text { const. }}{1-\tanh 2 \beta J}$

$$
\epsilon=1 / 2
$$

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Low dimensional dynamics in topological systems

Similar results for the autocorrelation functions apply to other stabilizers, fracton models, etc.

The X-cube model and the Haah code exhibit Ising chain type dynamics assuming a Glauber heat bath in the dual model

## Thermal Fragility and Phase Transitions

What is the relation between the existence of a phase transition and TQO?
(Phase transitions are signaled by non-analyticities in the Free Energy)


Kitaev's toric in $3 D$


Cube

It has a thermodynamic phase transition:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathcal{Z}_{3 D}=\mathcal{Z}_{3 D} \text { Ising gauge } \times \mathcal{Z}_{1 D} \text { Ising } \\
\left(\beta_{c}=0.761423\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

It displays TQO
However, e.g.

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\left\langle Z_{C_{\mu}}\right\rangle=\left\langle\prod_{(i j) \in C_{\mu}}^{\downarrow} \sigma_{i j}^{z}\right\rangle=0 \\
\text { Loops around Toric cycles }
\end{array}
$$

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