

Title: Twist Defects in Topological Systems with Anyonic Symmetries

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Abstract: Twist defects are point-like objects that support robust non-local storage of quantum information and non-abelian unitary operations.

Unlike quantum deconfined anyonic excitations, they rely on symmetry rather than a non-abelian topological order. Zero energy Majorana bound states can arise at lattice defects, such as disclinations and dislocations, in a topological crystalline superconductor. More general parafermion bound state can appear as twist defects in a topological phase with an anyonic symmetry, such as a bilayer fractional quantum Hall state and the Kitaev toric code. They are however fundamentally different from quantum anyonic excitations in a true topological phase. This is demonstrated by their unconventional exchange and braiding behavior, which is characterized by a modified spin statistics theorem and modular invariance.

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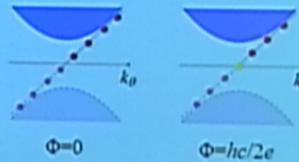
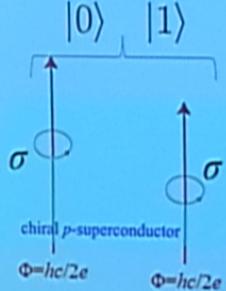
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 - Anyonic symmetry
anyon relabeling, e.g. toric code, bilayer FQH, A-D-E Lie algebra
 - Topological twist defect (theoretical examples)
 - Multi-channel fusion (i.e. non-abelian)
 - Exchange and double twist
modified spin-statistics theorem



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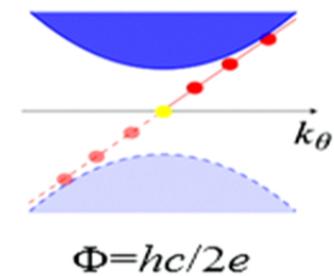
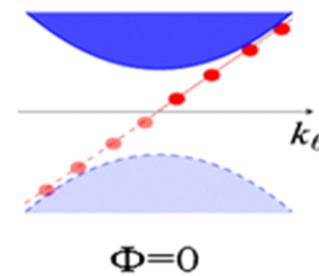
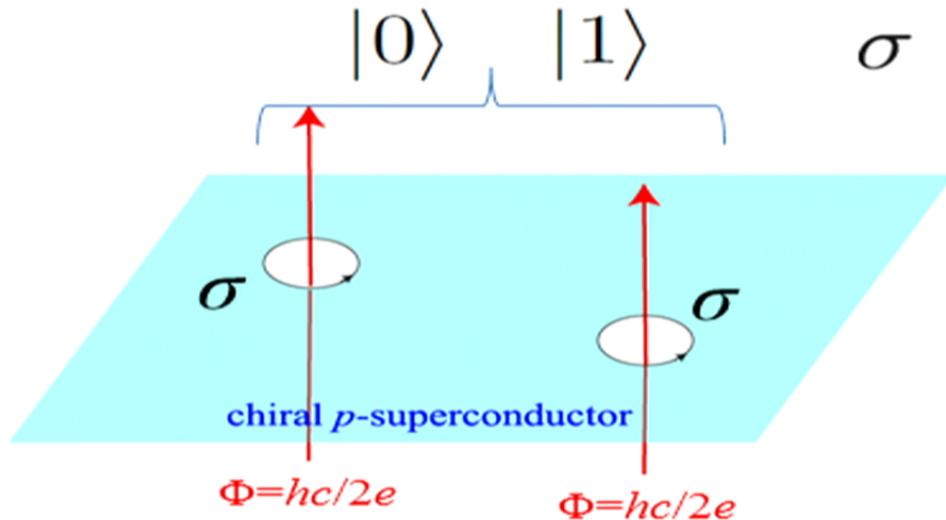
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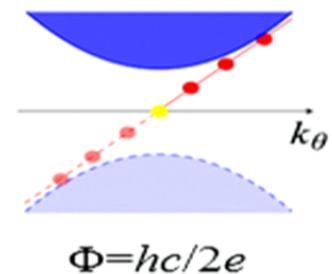
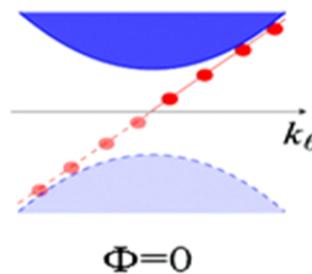
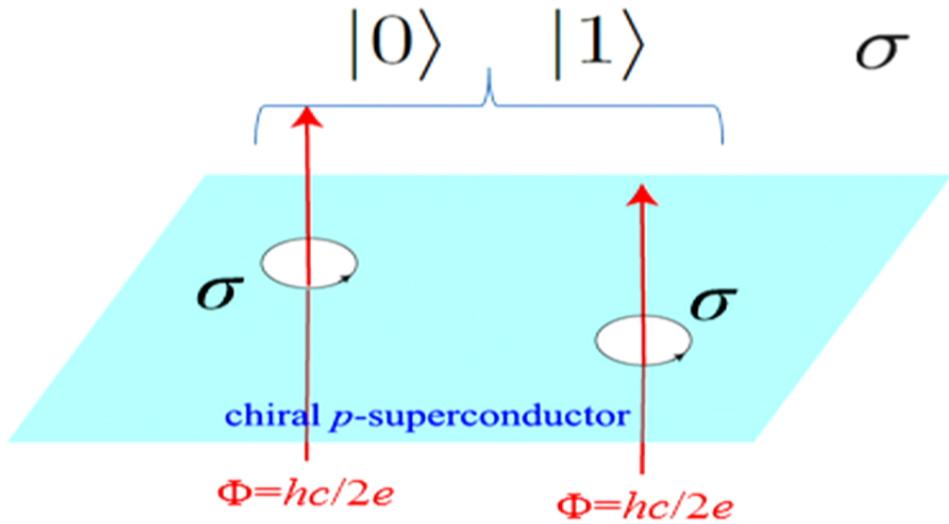


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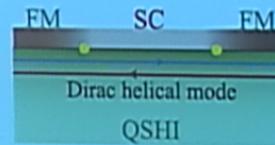
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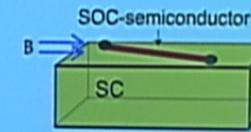
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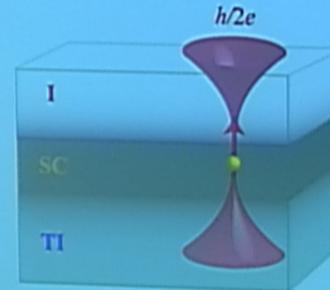
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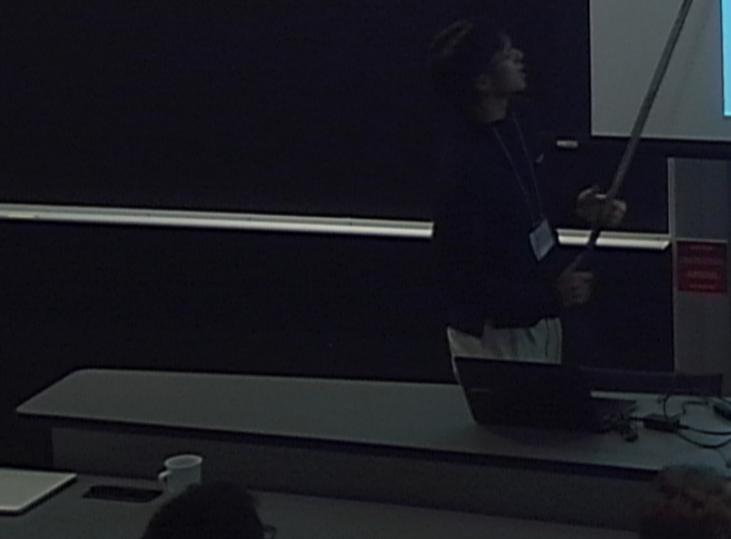
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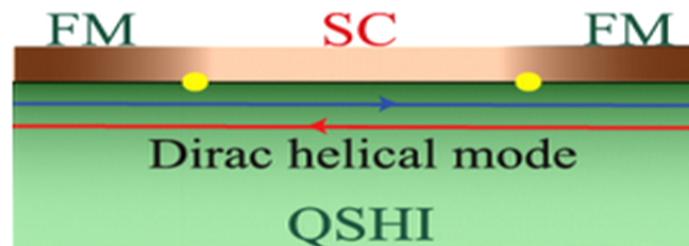
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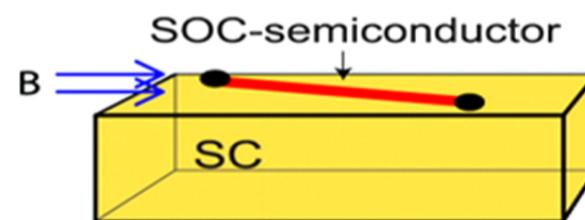
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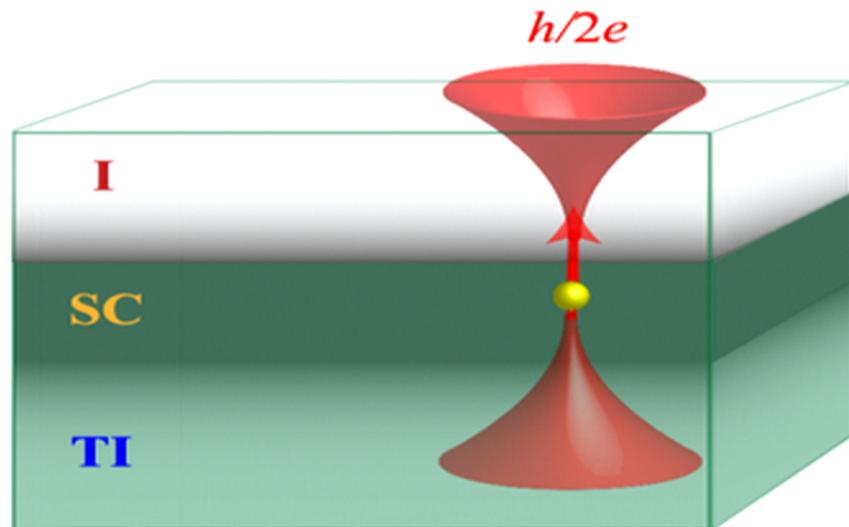
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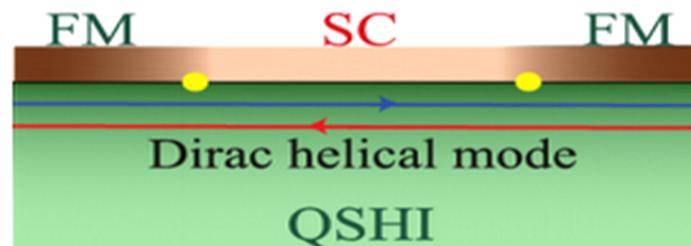


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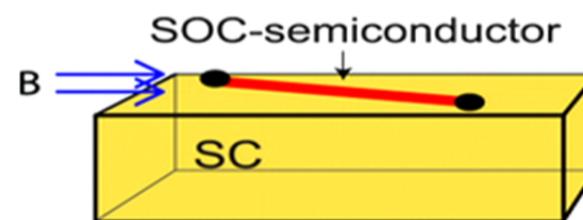


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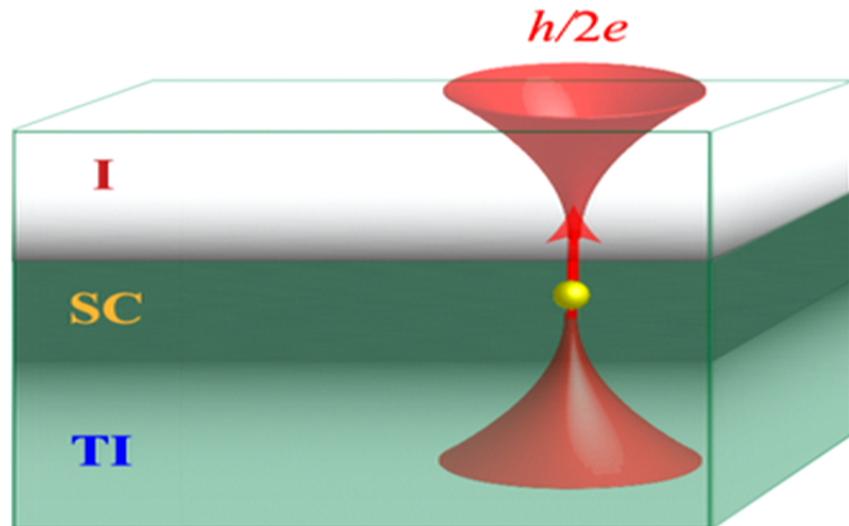
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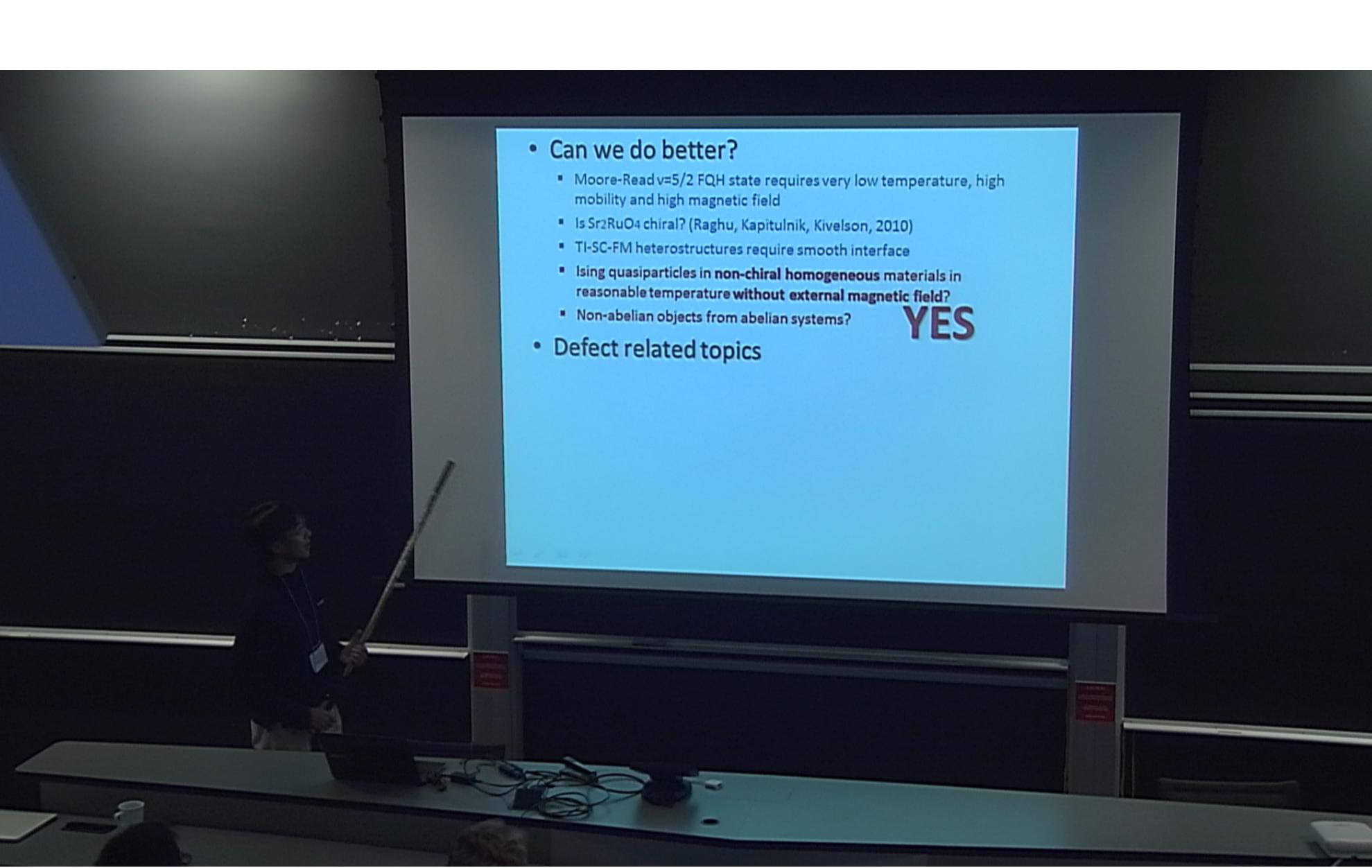
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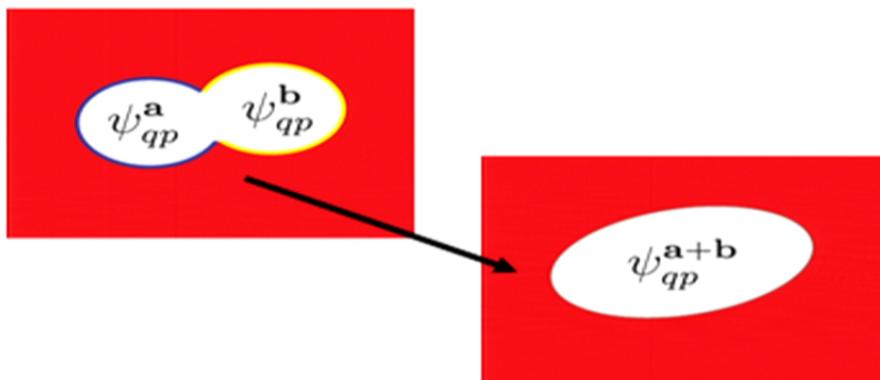
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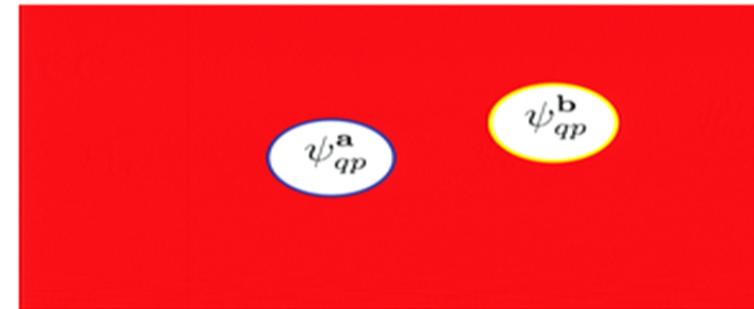
- Fusion $\psi_{qp}^{\mathbf{a}} \times \psi_{qp}^{\mathbf{b}} = \psi_{qp}^{\mathbf{a+b}}$

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- Bulk boundary correspondence

$$\langle \psi_{qp}^{\mathbf{a}}(z) \psi_{qp}^{\mathbf{b}}(w) \rangle = (z - w)^{\mathbf{a}^T K^{-1} \mathbf{b}}$$

$$z \sim x + iy$$



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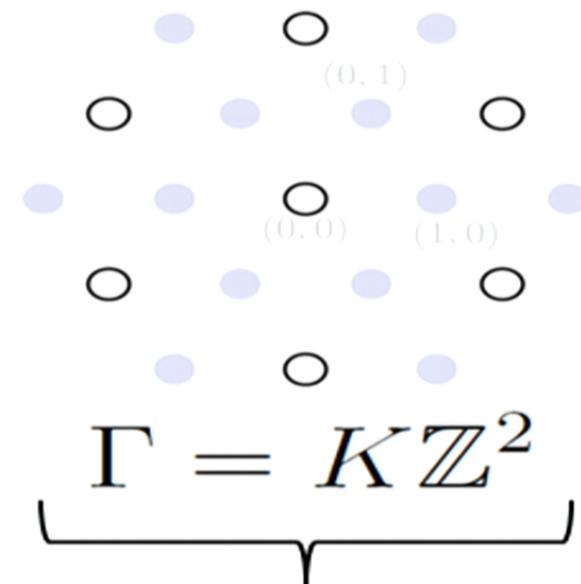
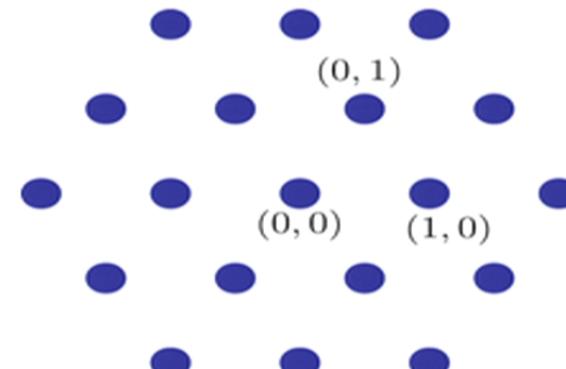
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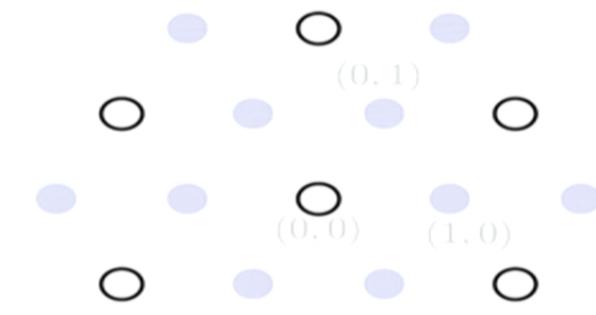
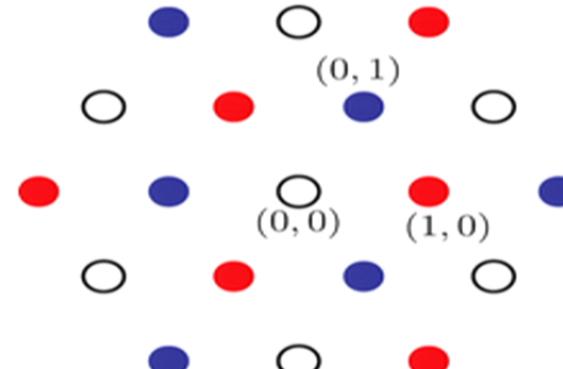
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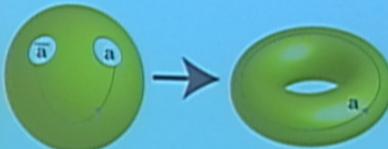
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$$S_{ab} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det K}} e^{2\pi i a^T K^{-1} b} \quad T_{ab} = e^{\pi i a^T K^{-1} a} \delta_{ab}$$

- Algebraic relations [proj. rep. of $SL(2; \mathbb{Z})$]

$$(ST)^3 = e^{ic - \pi/4} S^2 \quad S^4 = 1$$

- Modular transformation of a torus

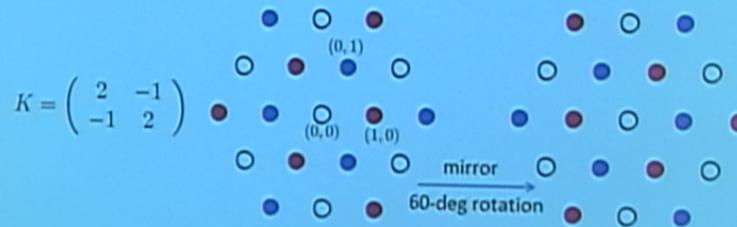


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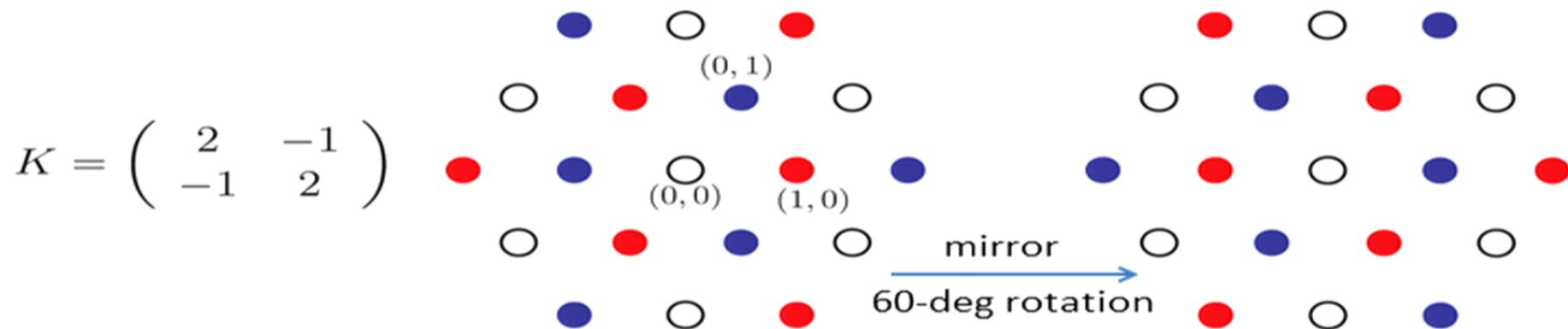
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Anyonic Symmetry (Examples)

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- Kitaev toric code (\mathbb{Z}_2 gauge theory) electric-magnetic duality

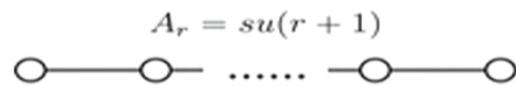
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- Bilayer fractional quantum Hall (mmn)-state

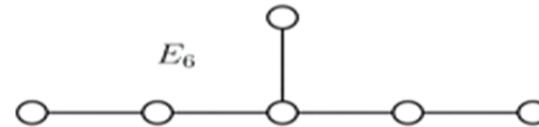
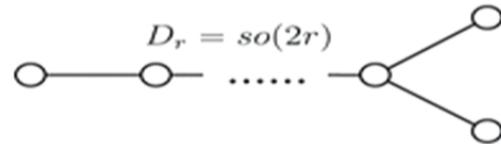
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- A-D-E level 1 Lie algebra state outer automorphisms

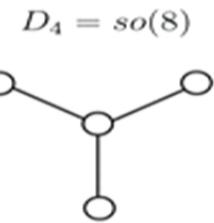
K = Cartan matrix



Λ = symmetry of Dynkin diagrams



Mirror symmetry



S_3 triality symmetry



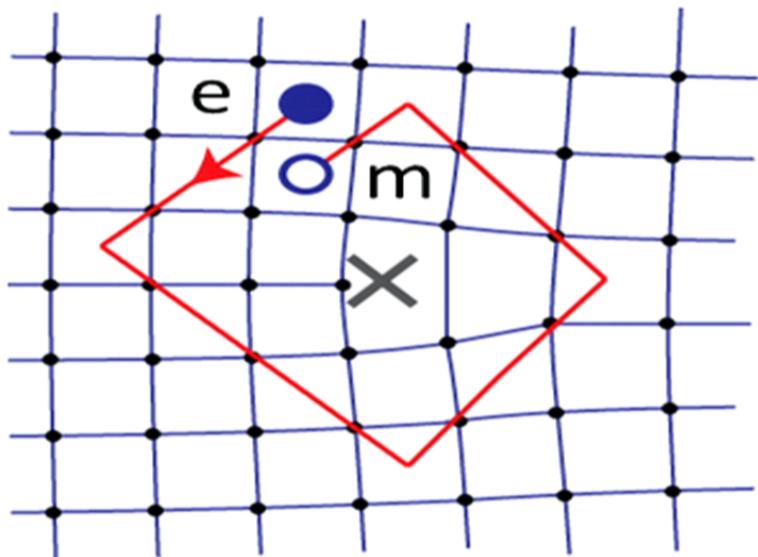
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- Semiclassical topological point defect



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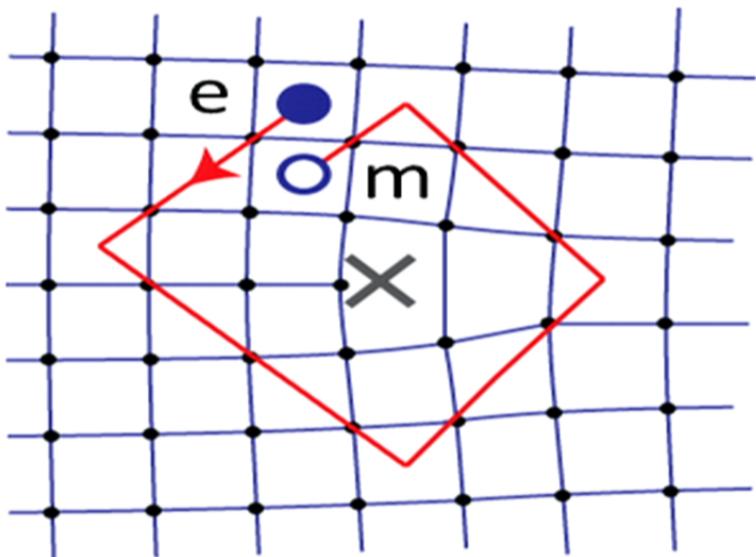


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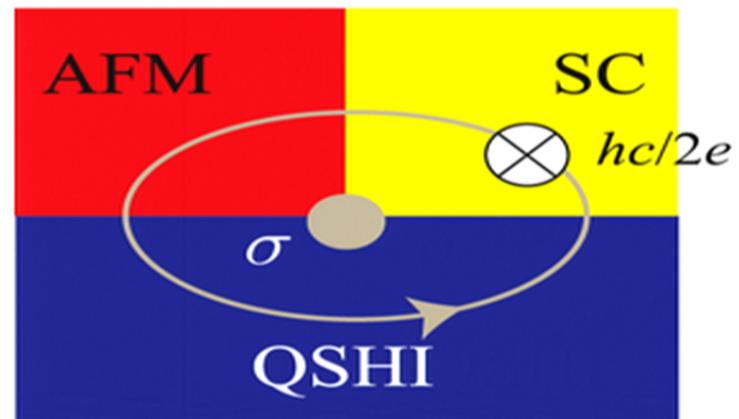
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- Majorana zero mode at QSHI-AFM-SC

Quasi-2D
s-superconductor

m = flux vortex
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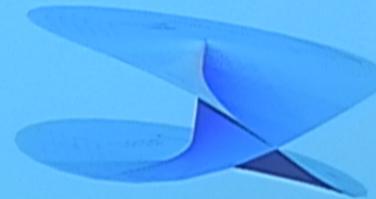
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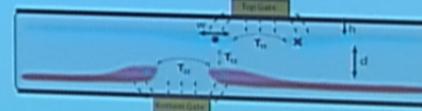
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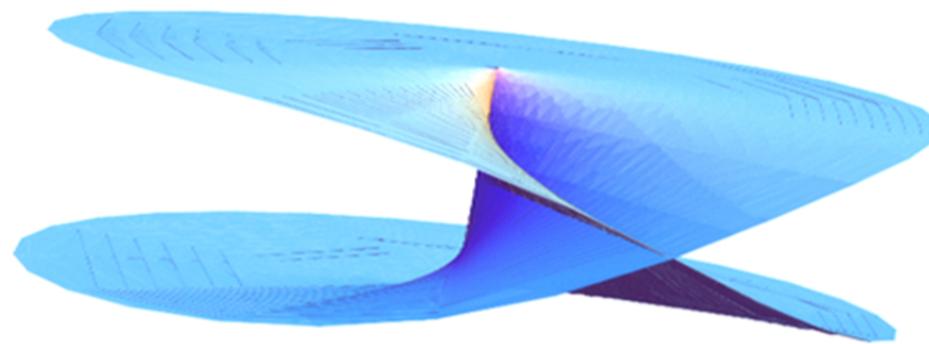
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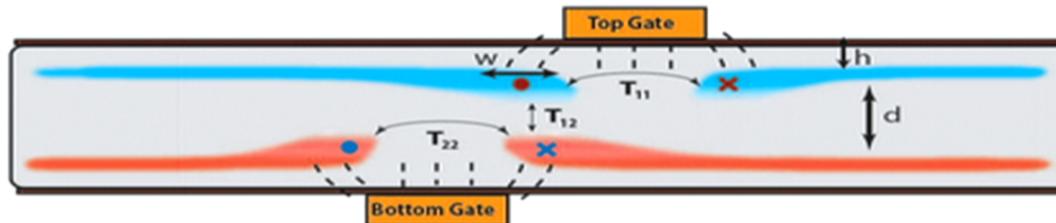
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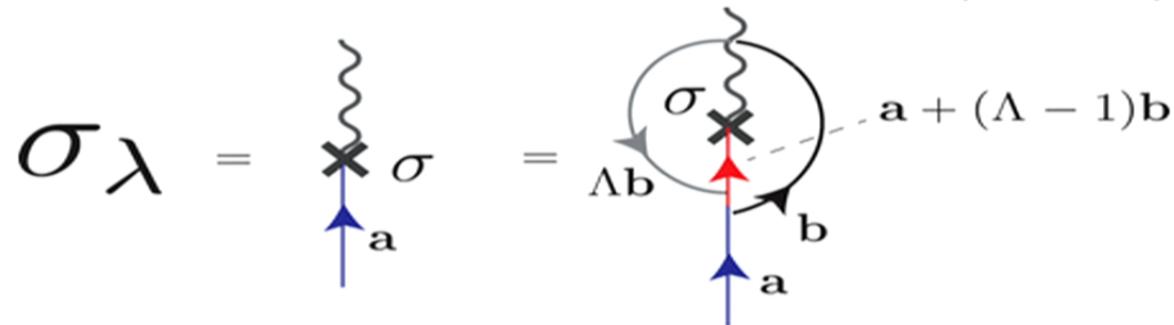


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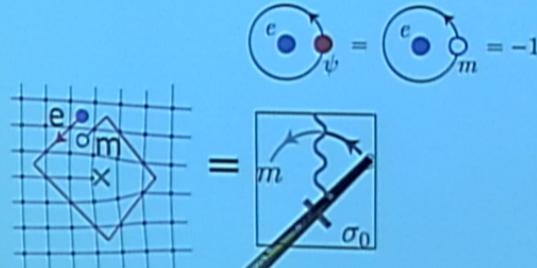
$$\mathcal{A} = \Gamma^*/\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}^N / K\mathbb{Z}^N$$

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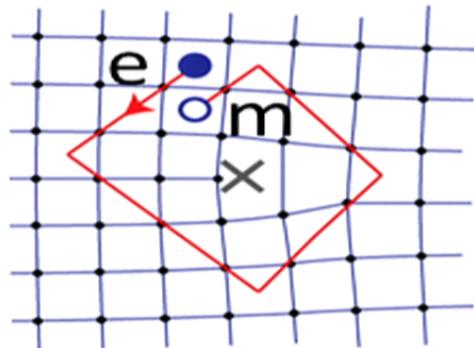


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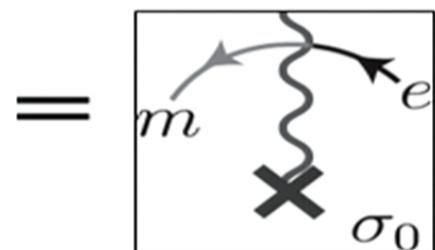
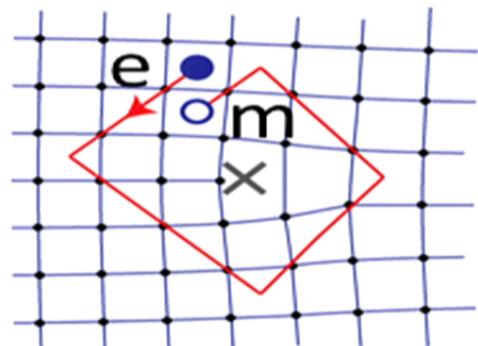


$$= \boxed{m \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } e \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \sigma_0}$$

Ising Defects in Toric Code

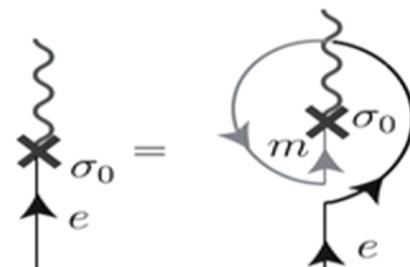
$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad 1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad m = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \psi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$= -1$



$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_0 \times e = \sigma_0 \times m$$

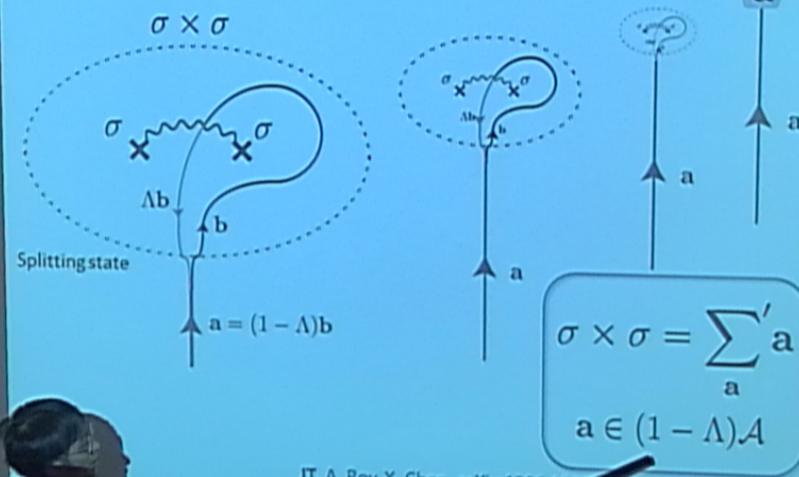
$$\sigma_0 = \sigma_0 \times \psi$$



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Non-Abelian Fusion

Assume twofold defect $\Lambda^2 = 1$

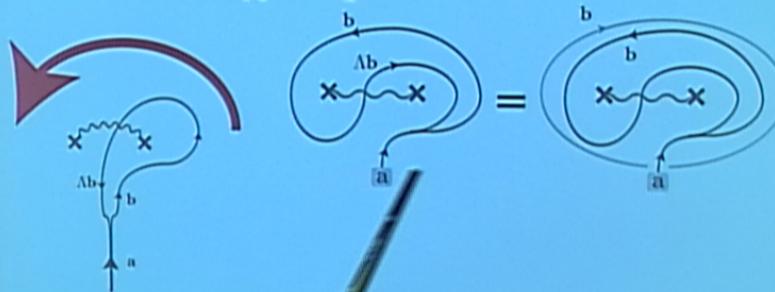


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Exchange

Assume twofold defect

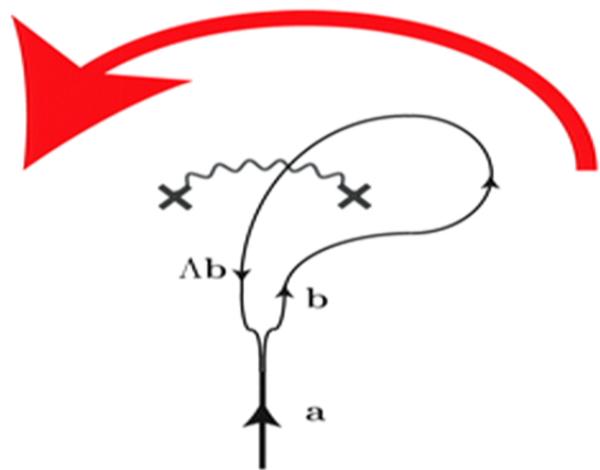
$$\Lambda^2 = 1$$



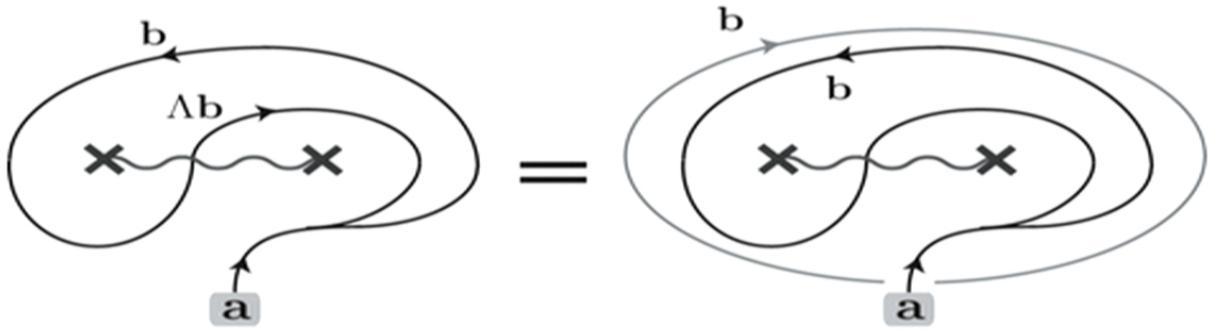
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Assume twofold defect



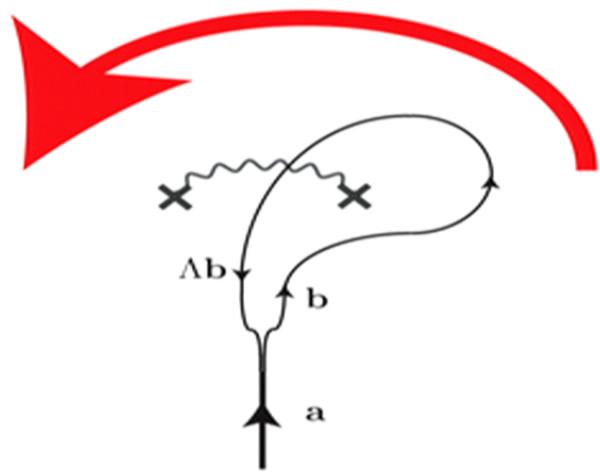
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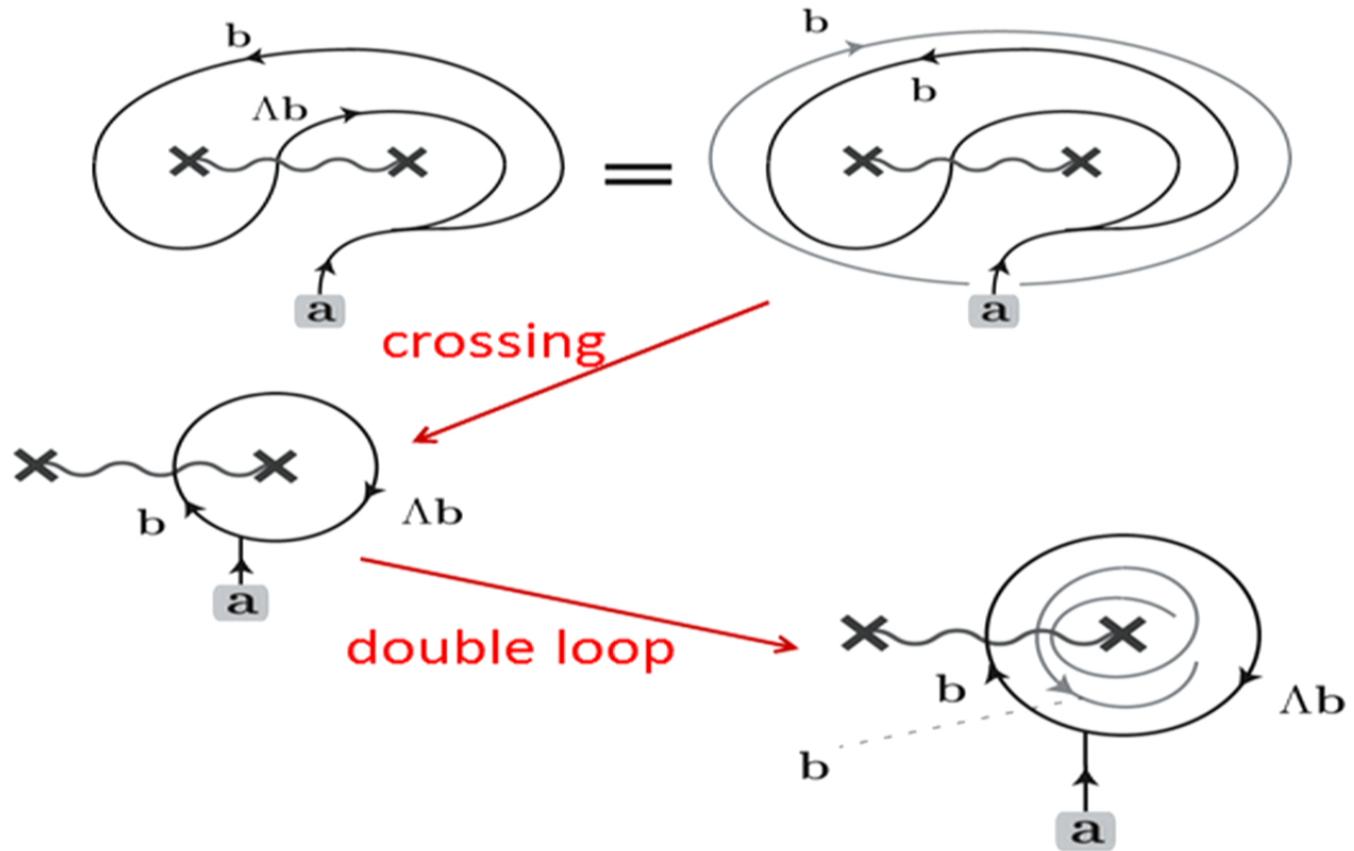
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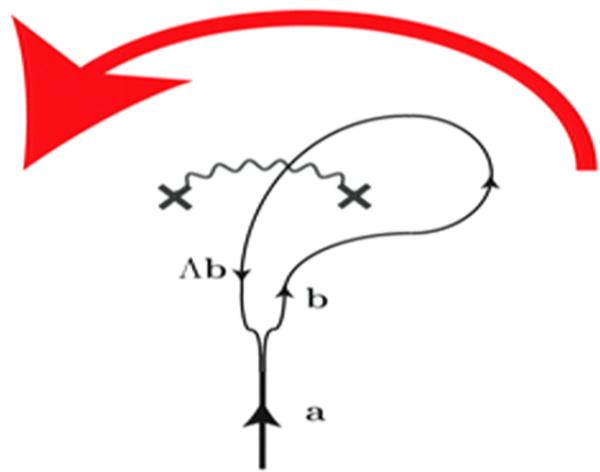
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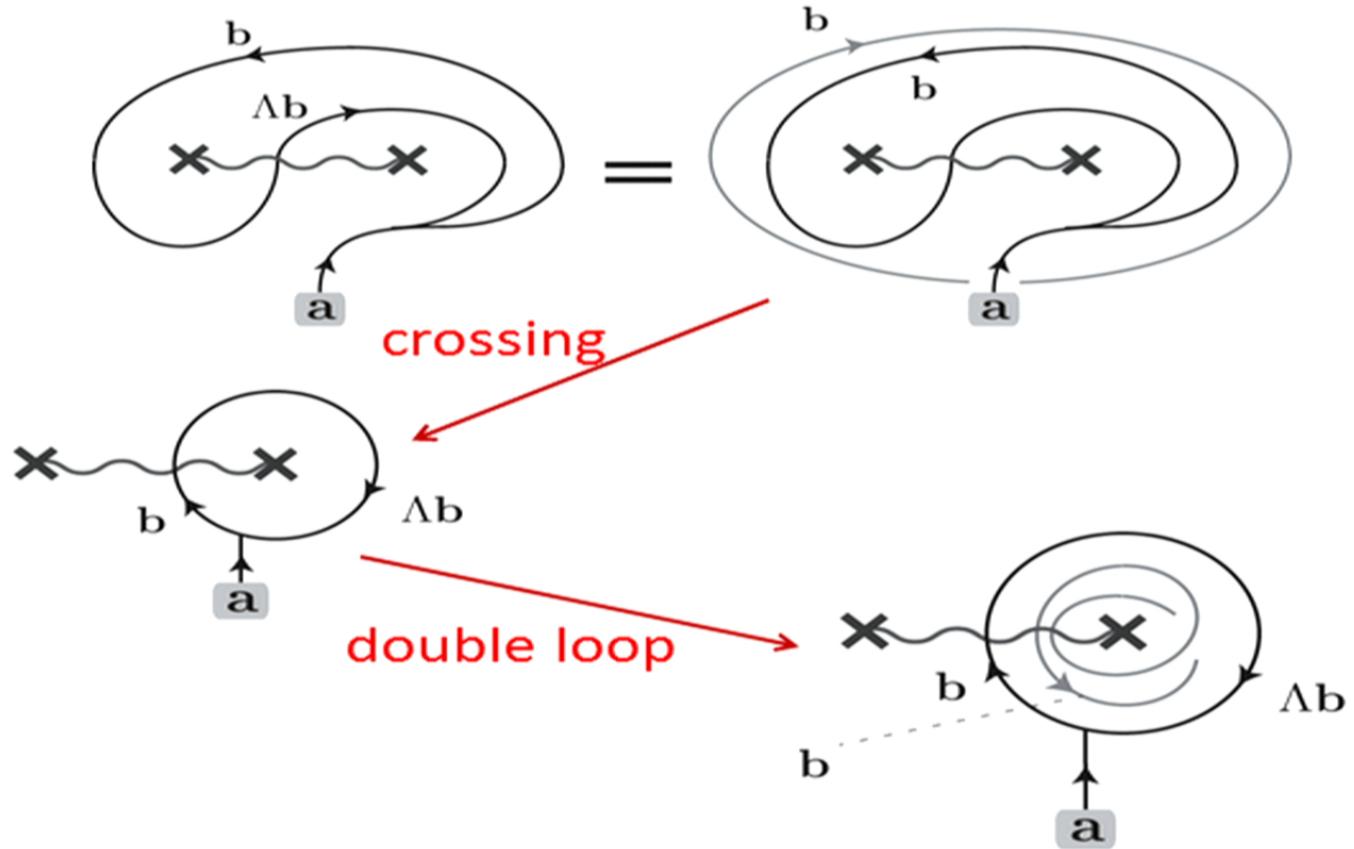
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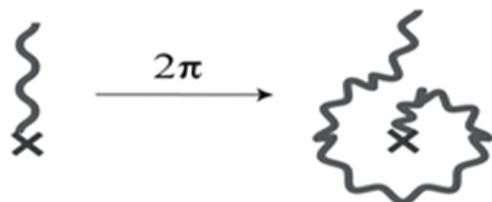
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360 rotation – not a closed cycle



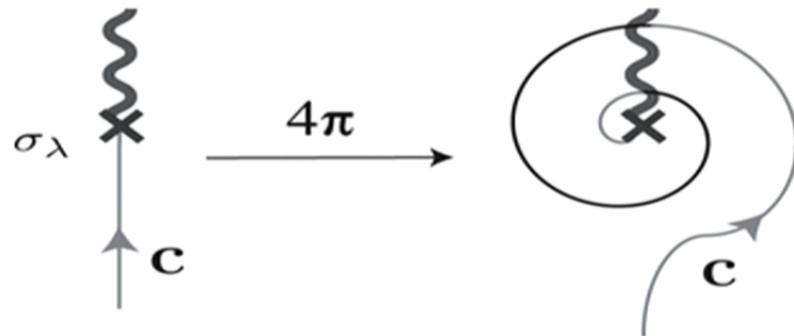
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Modified Spin-Statistics Theorem

Assume twofold defect $\Lambda^2 = 1$

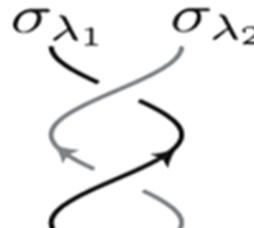
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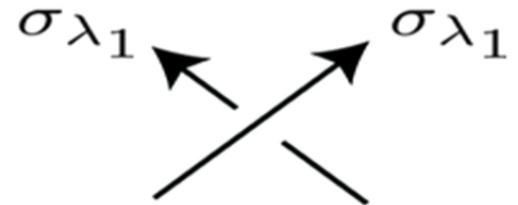


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$SL(2; \mathbf{Z})$ Modular Transformation?

$$S_{\sigma_{\lambda_1} \sigma_{\lambda_2}} =$$
A diagram showing a crossing between two strands. The top strand is labeled σ_{λ_1} and the bottom strand is labeled σ_{λ_2} . The strands cross over each other.

$$T_{\sigma_{\lambda_1} \sigma_{\lambda_2}} = \delta_{\sigma_{\lambda_1} \sigma_{\lambda_2}}$$



- Algebraic relations [proj. rep. of $SL(2; \mathbf{Z})$]

$$(ST)^3 = e^{ic - \pi/4} S^2 \quad S^4 = 1$$



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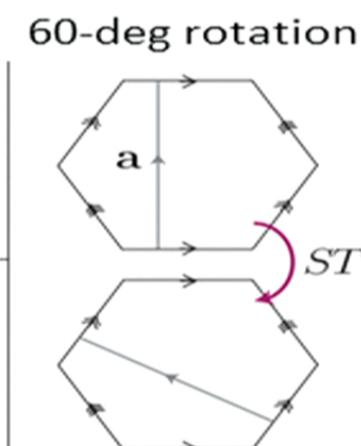
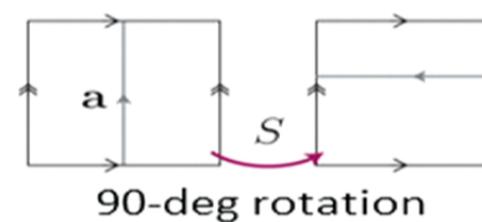
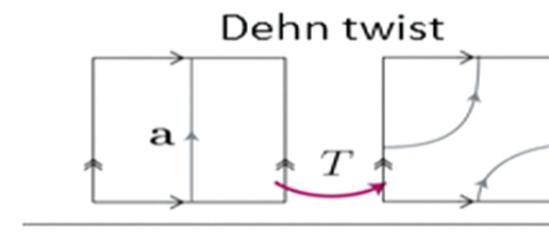
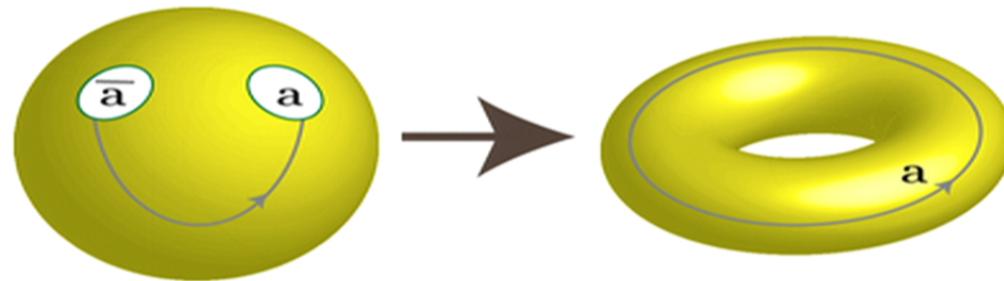
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$\Gamma_0(2)$ Congruent Transformation

$$S_{\sigma_{\lambda_1} \sigma_{\lambda_2}} = \begin{array}{c} \sigma_{\lambda_1} \quad \sigma_{\lambda_2} \\ \swarrow \quad \curvearrowright \\ \end{array}$$

$$T_{\sigma_{\lambda_1} \sigma_{\lambda_2}} = \delta_{\sigma_{\lambda_1} \sigma_{\lambda_2}}$$

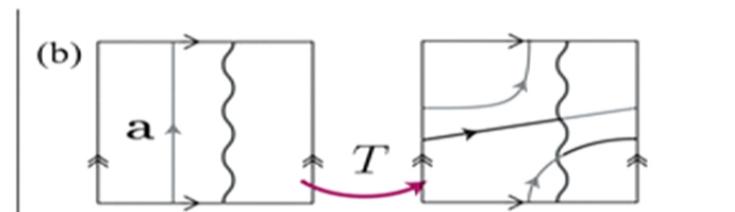
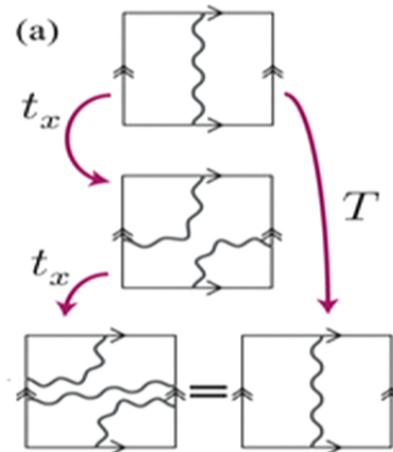
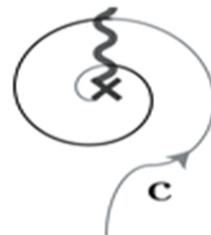
- Algebraic relations

$$(ST^{-1})^2 = C$$

$$C^2 = 1$$

$$[S, C] = [T, C] = 0$$

T= double x-Dehn twist



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Conclusion

- Non-Abelian Twist Defects in Abelian Topological Phases
 - Anyon relabeling symmetry
toric code, bilayer FQH, A-D-E Lie algebra
 - Multi-channel fusion
 - Modified spin-statistics theorem
 $\text{defect exchange} = 720\text{-deg twist}$
 - Algebraic relation of braiding S and exchange T
congruent transformation $\Gamma_0(2)$, subgroup in $SL(2; \mathbb{Z})$
- Outlook
 - Twist defects in higher dimensional topological phases
 - "Melting" an anyonic symmetry and make twist defects quantum dynamical

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