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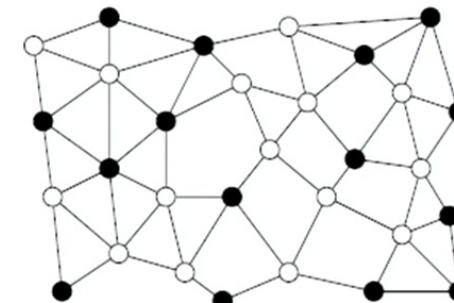
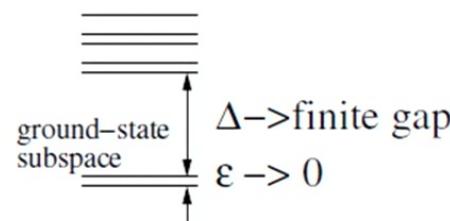
Local quantum systems and gapped quantum systems

- A **local quantum system** is described by (\mathcal{V}_N, H_N)

\mathcal{V}_N : a Hilbert space with a tensor structure $\mathcal{V}_N = \otimes_{i=1}^N \mathcal{V}_i$

H_N : a local Hamiltonian acting on \mathcal{V}_N :

$$H_N = \sum \hat{O}_{ij}$$



- *A ground state is not a single state in \mathcal{V}_N , but a subspace*
 $\mathcal{V}_{\text{grnd space}} \subset \mathcal{V}_N$.

- A **gapped quantum system** (a concept for $N \rightarrow \infty$ limit):

$\{(\mathcal{V}_{N_1}, H_{N_1}); (\mathcal{V}_{N_2}, H_{N_2}); (\mathcal{V}_{N_3}, H_{N_3}); \dots\}$ with gapped spectrum.

- *A gapped quantum system is not a single Hamiltonian, but a sequence of Hamiltonian with larger and larger sizes.*

Local unitary trans. defines gapped quantum phases

- Two gapped states, $|\Psi(0)\rangle$ and $|\Psi(1)\rangle$ (or more precisely, two gapped ground state subspaces), are in the same phase iff they are related through a local unitary (LU) evolution

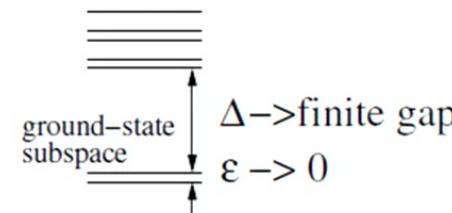
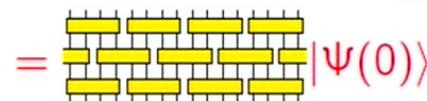
$$|\Psi(1)\rangle = P\left(e^{-i \int_0^1 dg' H(g')}\right) |\Psi(0)\rangle$$

where $H(g) = \sum_i O_i(g)$ and $O_i(g)$ are local hermitian operators.

- $|\Psi(0)\rangle$ and $|\Psi(1)\rangle$ can be smoothly connect without closing the gap. [Hastings-Wen cond-mat/0503554](#); [Bravyi-Hastings-Michalakis arXiv:1001.0344](#)

- LU evolution = *local unitary transformation*:

$$|\Psi(1)\rangle = P\left(e^{-i T \int_0^1 dg H(g)}\right) |\Psi(0)\rangle$$



- The local unitary transformations define an equivalence relation:
Two gapped states related by a LU trans. are in the same phase.
A gapped quantum phase is an equivalence class of local unitary transformations – a conjecture.

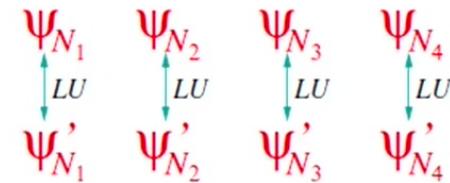


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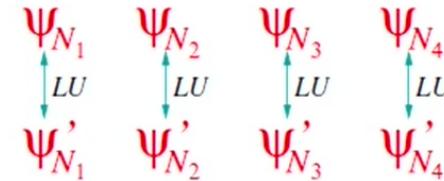
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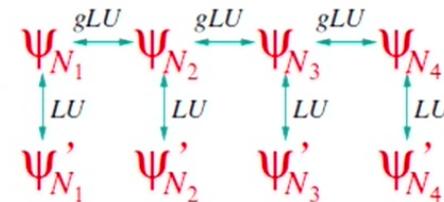
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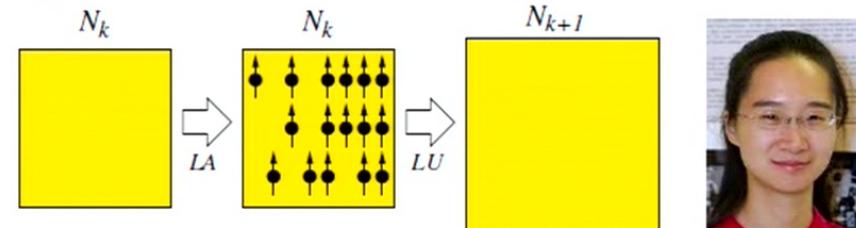
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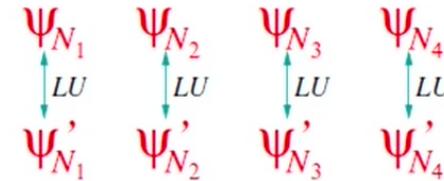


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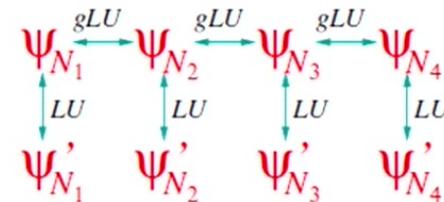
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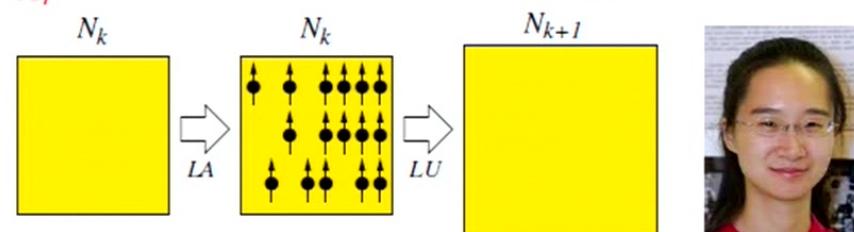
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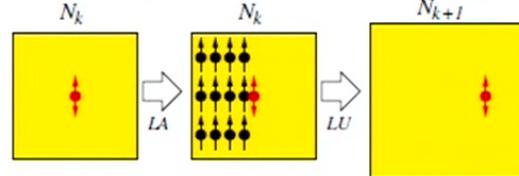
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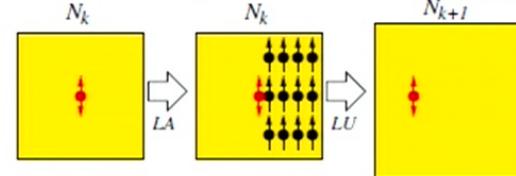
Different gapped quantum systems are described by different sequences of Hamiltonians $\{H_{N_k}\}$:

- Trivial gapped quantum liquid system: $H_{N_k}^{\text{trivial-liquid}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} \sigma_i^z$
- Gapped quantum system (non-liquid): $H_{N_k}^{\text{non-liquid}} = \sum_{i=1, i \neq N_k/2}^{N_k} \sigma_i^z$
(The ground states $\Psi_{N_k}^{\text{non-liquid}}$ have a free spin at $x = N_k/2$)
 - Fail to have gLU relation $\Psi_{N_k}^{\text{non-liquid}} \rightarrow \Psi_{N_{k+1}}^{\text{non-liquid}}$.

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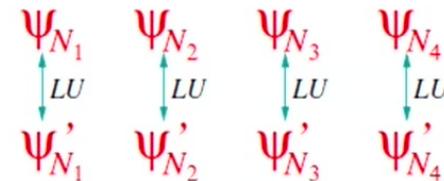
The above two states of system size N_{k+1} are not LU related to the ground state $\Psi_{N_{k+1}}^{\text{non-liquid}}$ with a free spin at $x = N_{k+1}/2$

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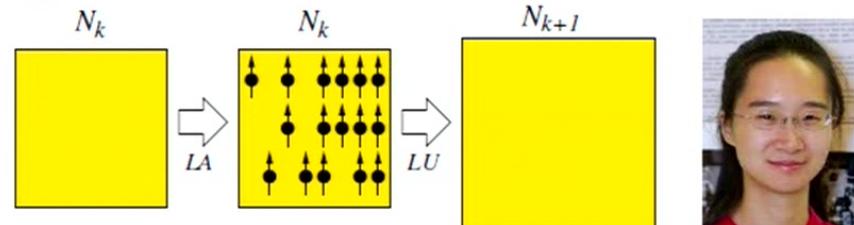
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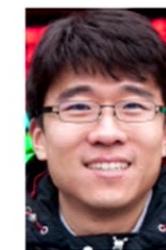
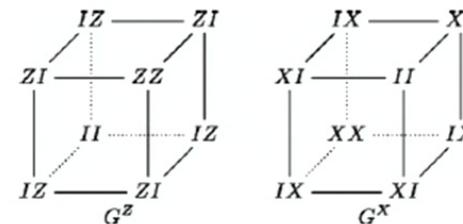


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- Transverse Ising model in symmetry breaking phase
→ a gaped quantum liquid. Ground state degeneracy $GSD = 2$
- Stacking 2+1D FQH states → gapped quantum state,
but not liquids.
 - Layered $\nu = 1/m$ FQH state:
Ground state degeneracy can be
 $GSD = m^{L_z}, m, m^2$
- Haah's cubic code on 3D cubic lattice:

$$H = - \sum_{\text{cubes}} (G^Z + G^X),$$



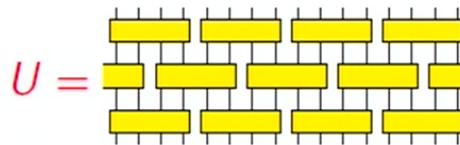
Jeongwan Haah, Phys. Rev. A 83, 042330 (2011) arXiv:1101.1962

Bosonic/fermionic gapped quantum liquid phases

Both local bosonic and fermionic systems have the following local property: $\mathcal{V}_{\text{tot}} = \otimes_i \mathcal{V}_i$

Gu-Wang-Wen arXiv:1010.1517

$$H' \sim U H U^\dagger,$$



- Bosonic liquid phases are defined by gLU trans. $U = \prod U_{ijk}$:
 - (1) $[U_{ijk}, U_{i'j'k'}] = 0$
 - (2) U_{ijk} acts within $V_i \otimes V_j \otimes V_k$. e.g. $U_{ijk} = e^{i(b_i b_j b_k^\dagger + h.c.)}$
- Fermionic liquid phases are defined by gLU trans. $U^f = \prod U_{ijk}^f$:
 - (1) $[U_{ijk}^f, U_{i'j'k'}^f] = 0$, but U_{ijk}^f may not act within $V_i \otimes V_j \otimes V_k$. e.g. $U_{ijk}^f = e^{i(t_{ij} c_i c_j + h.c.)}$, where $c_i = \sigma_i^x \prod_{j < i} \sigma_j^z$

Gapped quantum liquids for bosons and fermions have very different mathematical structures



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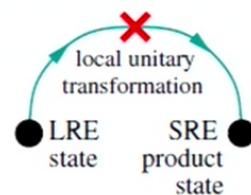
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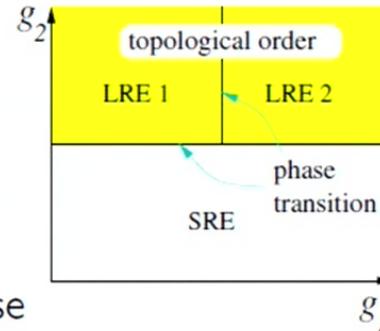
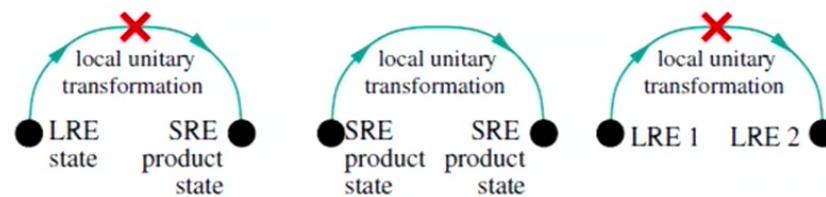
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- All SRE states belong to the same trivial phase
- LRE states can belong to many different phases: different patterns of long-range entanglements defined by LU trans.
= different **topological orders** Wen, Phys. Rev. B40, 7387 (1989)



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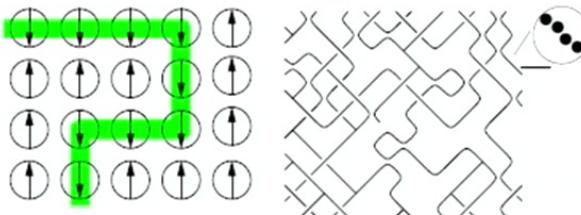
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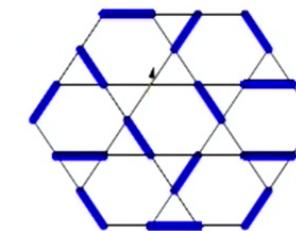
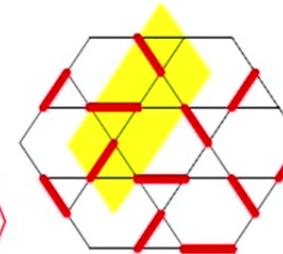


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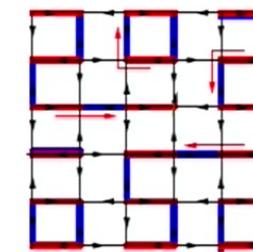
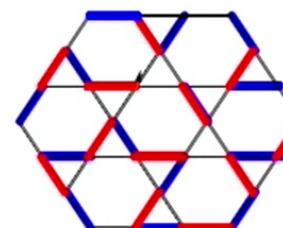
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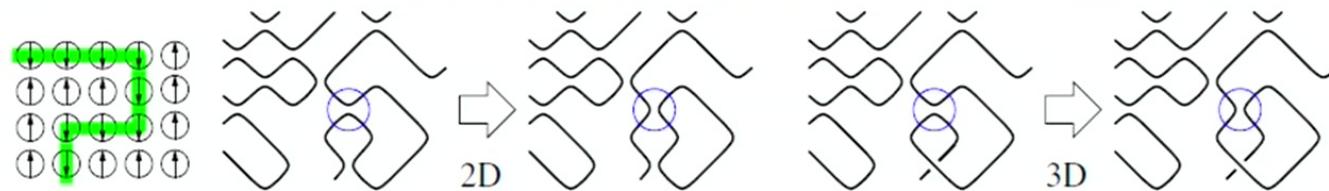
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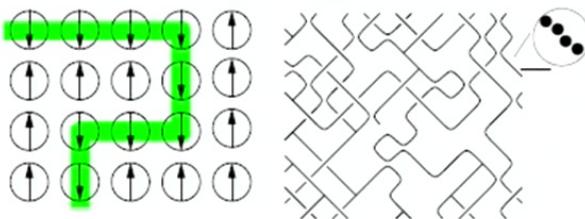


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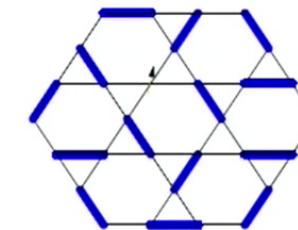
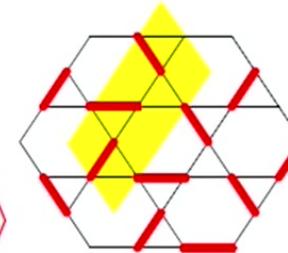


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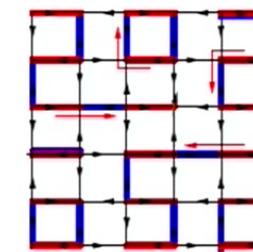
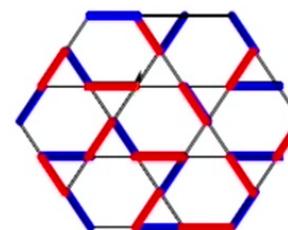
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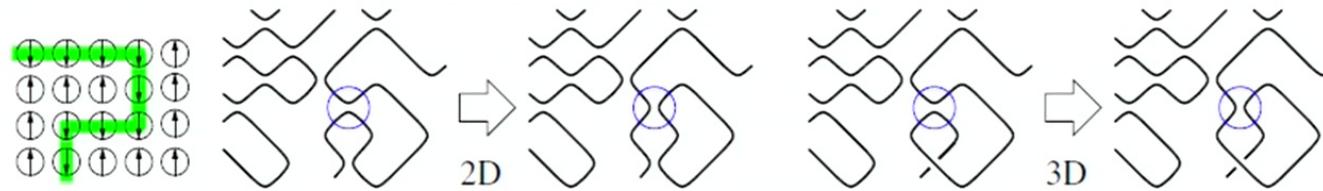
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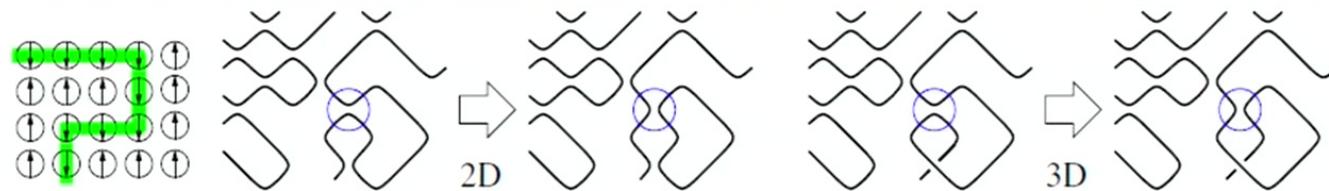


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