

Title: Abelian Topological Phases: Symmetries, Defects, and Entanglement

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Abstract:

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**Bulk Topological Data Is Contained in the K-matrix**

GSD on Torus =  $\text{Det}(K)$

Chiral Central Charge = Signature of  $K$



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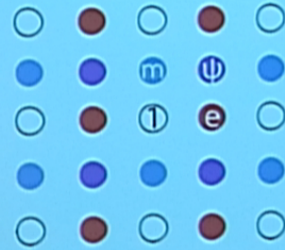
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Dual Lattice (includes fractional qps)	○	e/3	2e/3	e					
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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Toric Code/ $Z_2$  Gauge Theory



$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Point Group Type:  
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$W$  is a unimodular matrix with integer entries. Acts as point group operations on lattice that take **local** particles to **local** particles. Preserves  $S$  and  $T$ .



## Anyonic Symmetries

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- Set of all  $W$ 's satisfying this are  $\text{Aut}(K)$ .
- $\text{Inner}(K)$  are all automorphisms that take a qp to the same qp modulo local particles
- (Point-group type) Anyonic Symmetries are given by  $\text{Outer}(K)=\text{Aut}(K)/\text{Inner}(K)$

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$E_6 \sim su(2)_1$  has 2 anyon sectors

$E_7 \sim su(3)_1$  has 3 anyon sectors

$E_8$  is a bosonic integer quantum Hall state with no anyons

Non-simply laced have integer, but not symmetric Cartan matrices. These theories are intrinsically non-Abelian even at level 1.

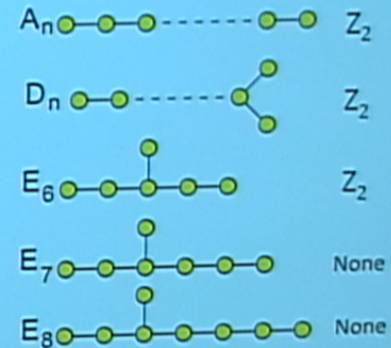
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Classification of non-trivial anyonic symmetries (e.g.,  $\text{Outer}(K)$ ) is a very complicated problem in general, and requires knowledge of the automorphisms of  $r$ -dimensional lattices.

However, one can show that the problem of classifying point-group type anyonic symmetries of any FQHE state in the  $A_n$ ,  $D_n$ , or  $E_n$  series is identical to identifying the symmetries of the associated Dynkin diagram.



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What happens if the twist defects become deconfined quantum excitations?  
That is, what if the global anyonic symmetry is gauged and becomes local?

### New Topological Order: Twist Liquid

- Twist Defects are fluxes of the anyonic symmetry group (non-Abelian)
- Original anyons in parent theory form "orbit" super-selection sectors  
Ex: For toric code  $e \leftrightarrow m$  are exchanged so orbit is  $e+m$  ( $d_{e+m}=2$ )
- Edge central charge is unmodified
- Total quantum dimension goes up by factor of  $|G|$  (order of AS group)
- Can be modeled using Levin-Wen String-Nets and reverse process occurs via anyon condensation

Example: Toric Code  $\rightarrow$   $\text{Ising} \times \overline{\text{Ising}}$  when gauging e-m duality

Generically  $D_n \rightarrow B_m$  under gauging

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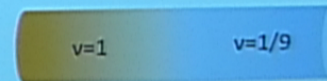
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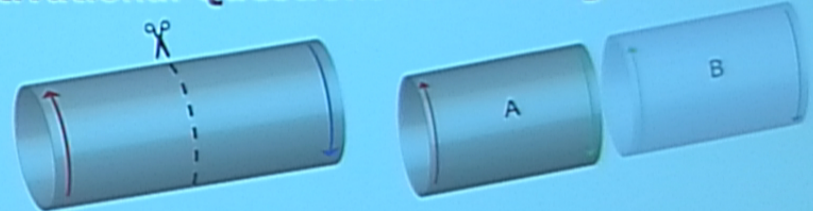
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  - Bulk properties determined by coarse information of the lattice: genus
  - Boundary properties determined by a lattice within a genus
  - Bulk  $\rightarrow$  Many Boundary Theories [Stable Equivalence]
2. Gapped interfaces between very different topological phases [Levin PRX 2013, Plamadeala, Mulligan, Nayak PRB 2013, Cano *et al.*]
  - There are conditions under which even very different topological phases can share a gapped interface
  - Examples:  $(\nu=8)/E_8$ ,  $(\nu=1)/(\nu=1/9)$



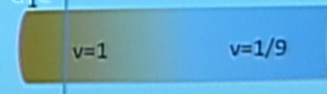


## Motivational Questions for Entanglement



- The low-lying entanglement spectrum of a topological phase has similar properties as the physical edge spectrum. But if the bulk-boundary correspondence is not unique, which edge theory matches the entanglement?

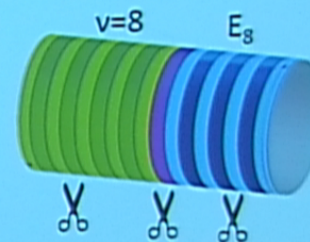
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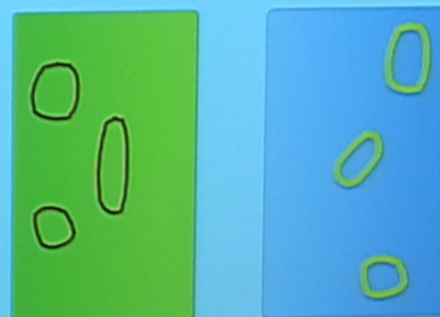
- If two different topological phases can share a gapped interface, how does the entanglement entropy depend on where you cut?



## Entanglement at Hetero-Interfaces



$$\begin{aligned} S_L &= \alpha_L \ell \\ S_R &= \alpha_R \ell \\ S_I &= \alpha_I \ell - \log 2 \end{aligned}$$



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## Geometrical Interpretation From Lattices

Gapping (e.g., tunneling) terms between two different topological phases represent maps back and forth between the lattice of local particles on one side (Image of  $K_+$ ) and the lattice of local particles on the other (Image of  $K_-$ ).

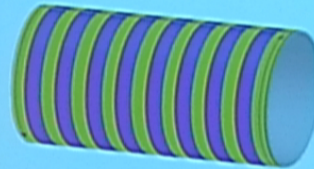
For the  $\nu=8/E_g$  interface the maps go from an odd lattice ( $\nu=8$ ) to an even lattice ( $E_g$ ). The closest map between the two will be at best 2 to 1. This is the geometric origin of the  $\log 2$  correction.

Different maps can give you different constraints, and hence can change the subleading correction to the area law.

Maps are not arbitrary, they must map a countably infinite number of points from one lattice onto the other lattice (commensurate Moiré pattern), and satisfy an extra geometric constraint from primitivity.



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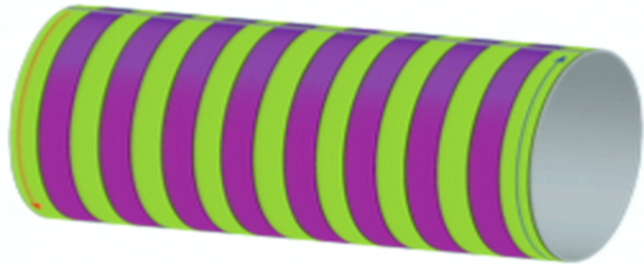
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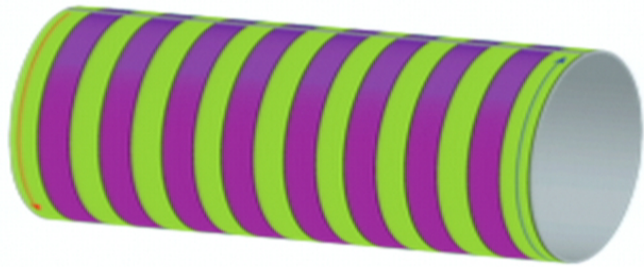


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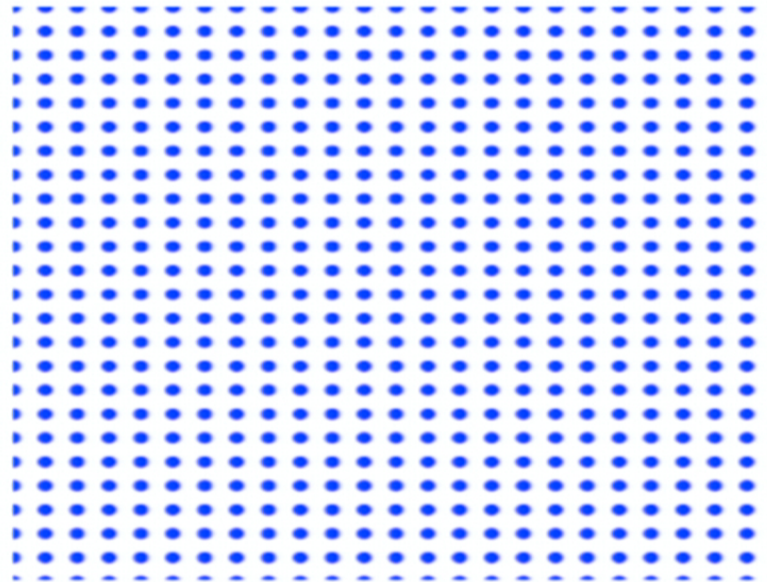


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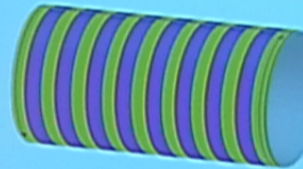
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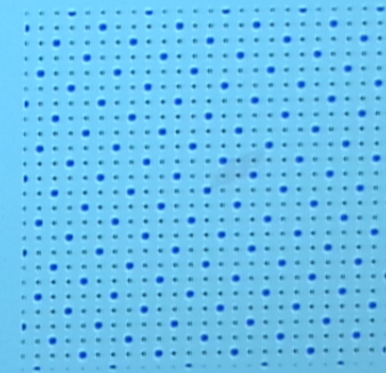
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Instead we can introduce multi-electron hopping to find  $S=\alpha_2 L - \log(5)$

Many more examples...



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## Summary

The K-matrix lattice structure determines the quasi-particle structure, the anyonic symmetries and twist defects, as well as the possible entanglement properties.

The sub-leading correction to the entanglement entropy appears to depend on how the bulk state is glued together, but it is still a universal property that depends only on the K-matrix lattice structure.