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

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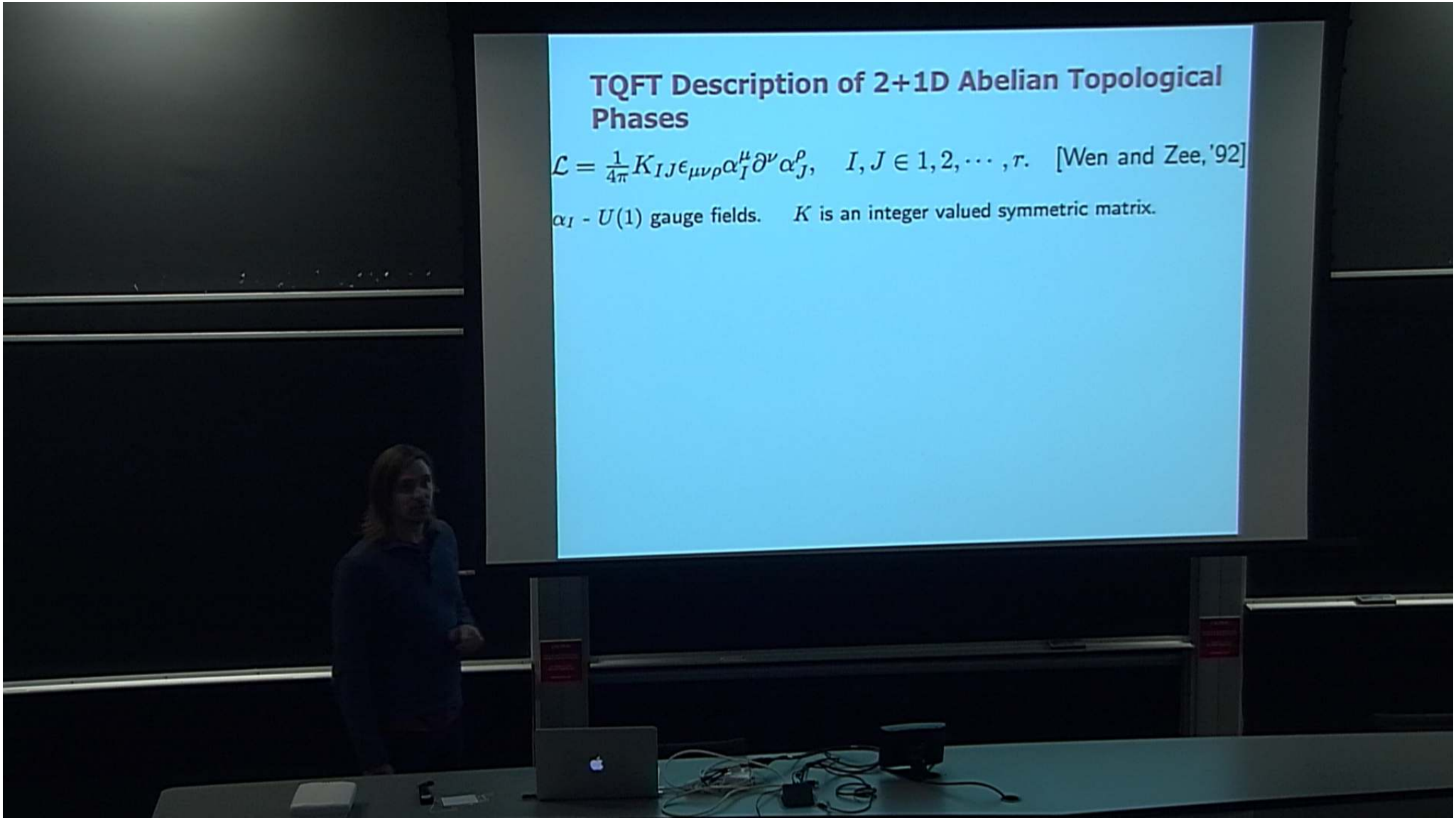
Abstract: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Bulk Topological Data Is Contained in the K-matrix

GSD on Torus = Det(K)

Chiral Central Charge = Signature of K

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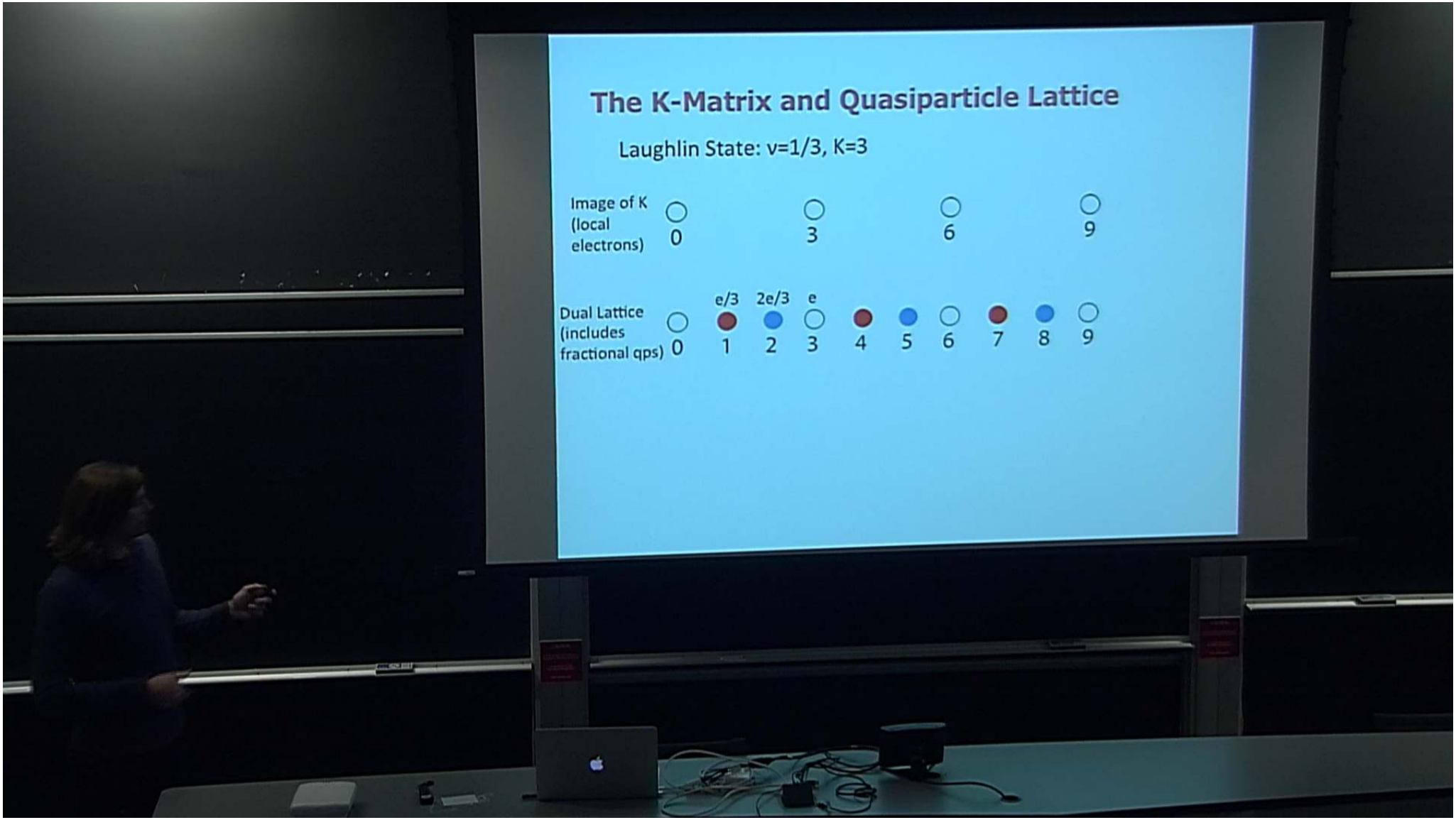
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Image of K (local electrons)
0
3
6
9
Dual Lattice (includes fractional qps)
e/3
2e/3
e
0
1
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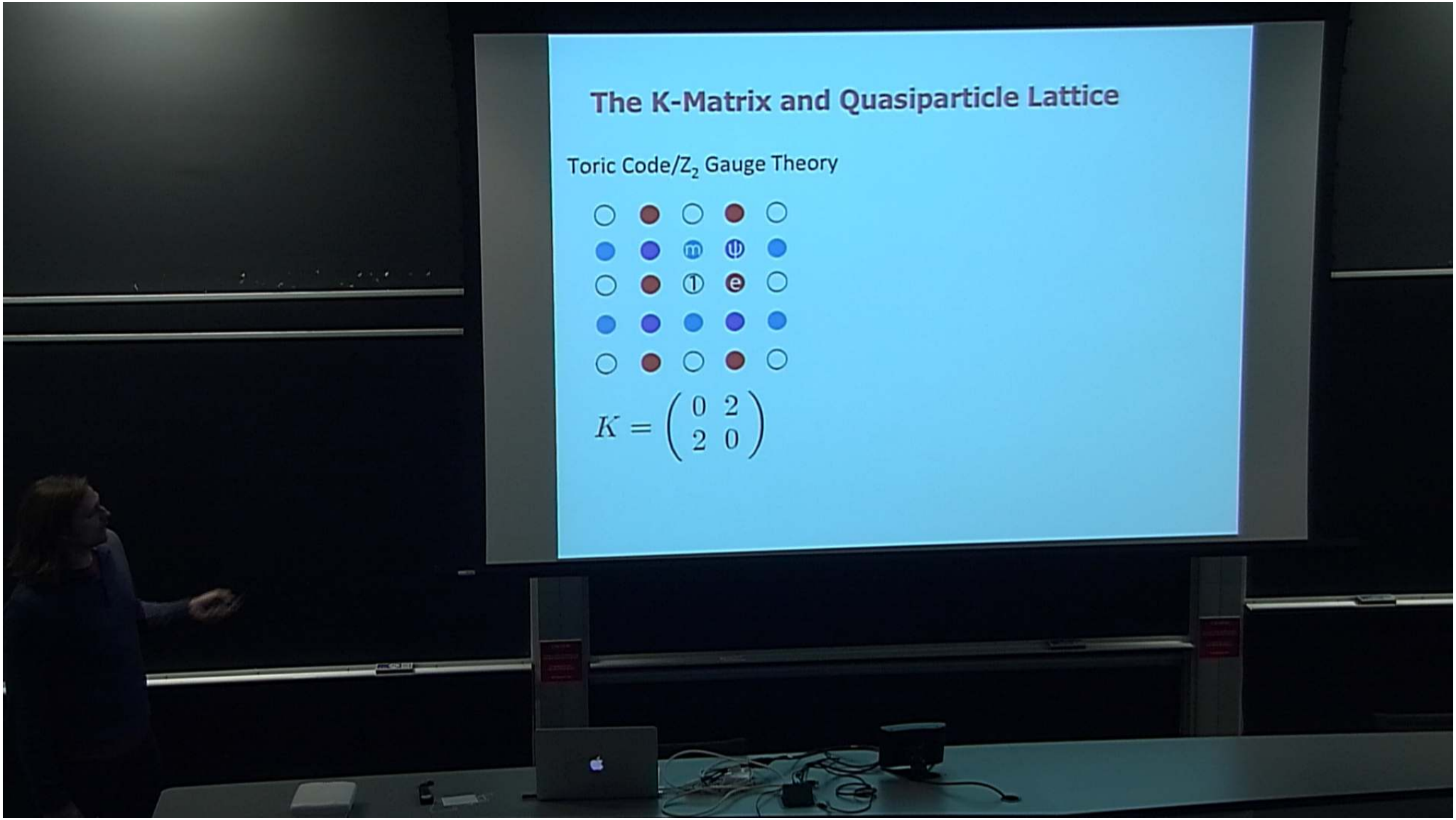
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Toric Code/Z_2 Gauge Theory
m
ψ
1
e
$K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Anyonic Symmetries

Laughlin State: v=1/3, K=3.

Point Group Type:
$WKW^T=K$

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.

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- Set of all W's satisfying this are Aut(K).
- Inner(K) are all automorphisms that take a qp to the same qp modulo local particles
- (Point-group type) Anyonic Symmetries are given by Outer(K)=Aut(K)/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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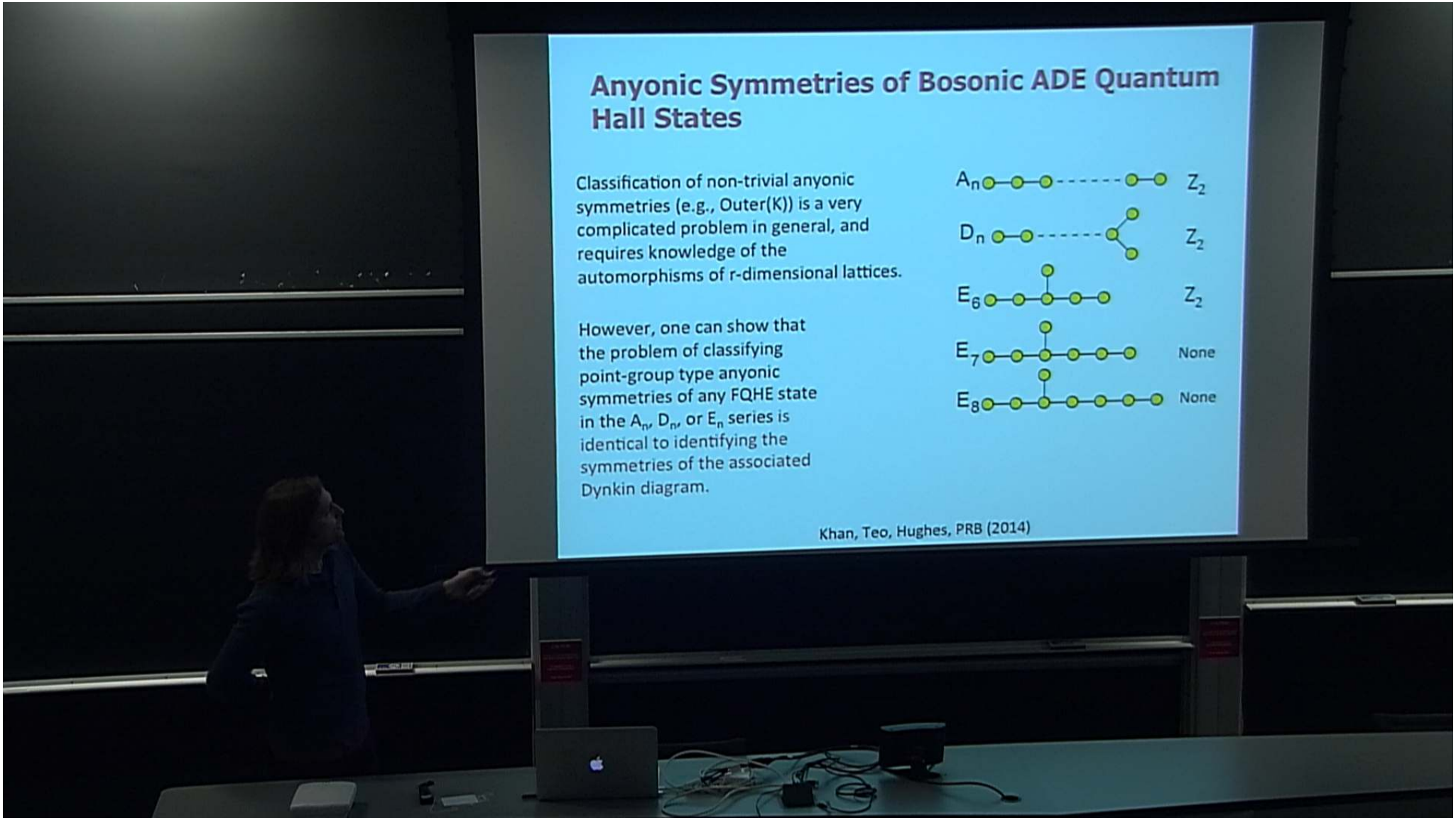
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Classification of non-trivial anyonic symmetries (e.g., Outer(K)) is a very complicated problem in general, and requires knowledge of the automorphisms of r-dimensional lattices.
However, one can show that the problem of classifying point-group type 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.
A_n Z_2
D_n Z_2
E_6 Z_2
E_7 None
E_8 None
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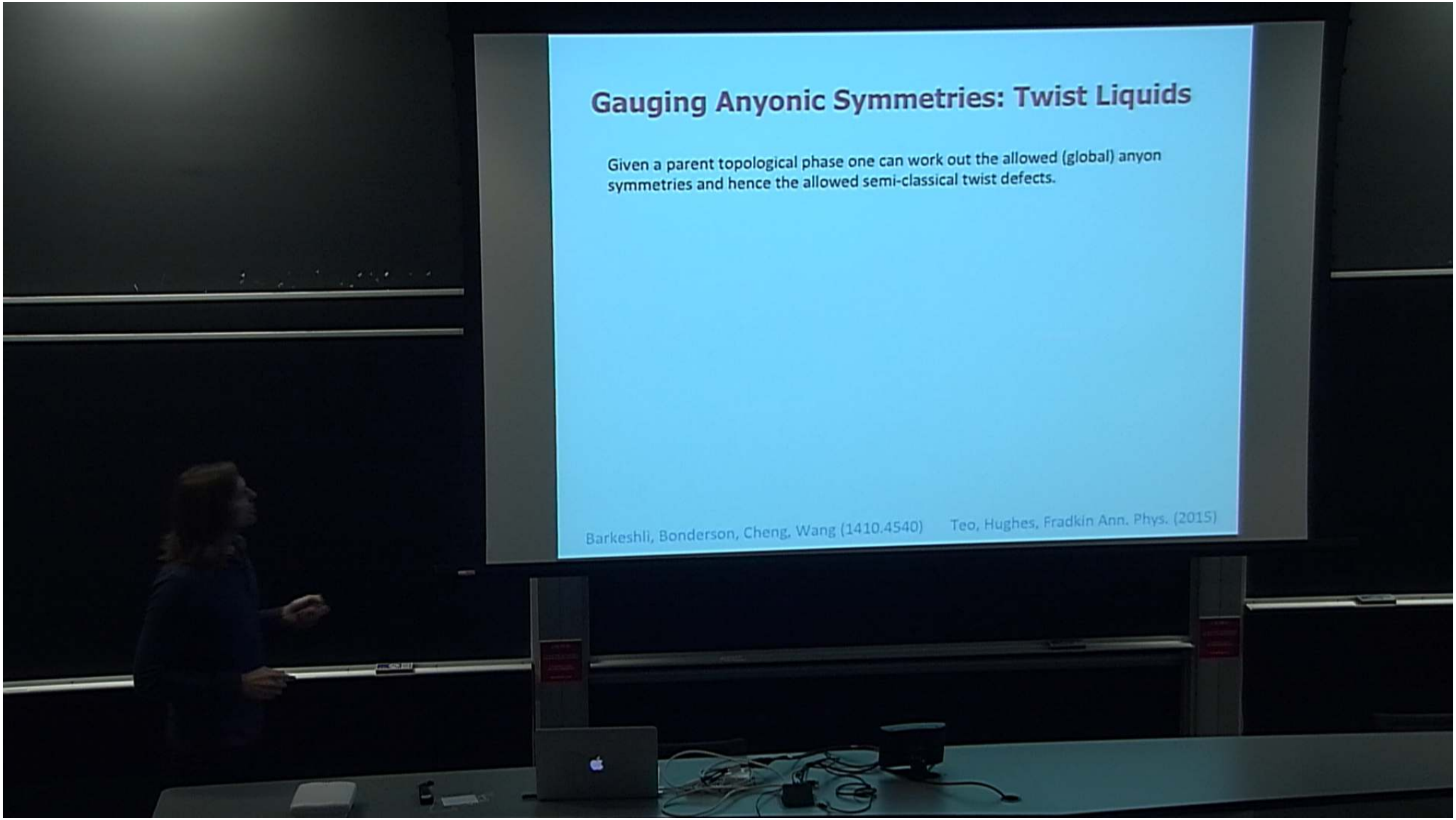
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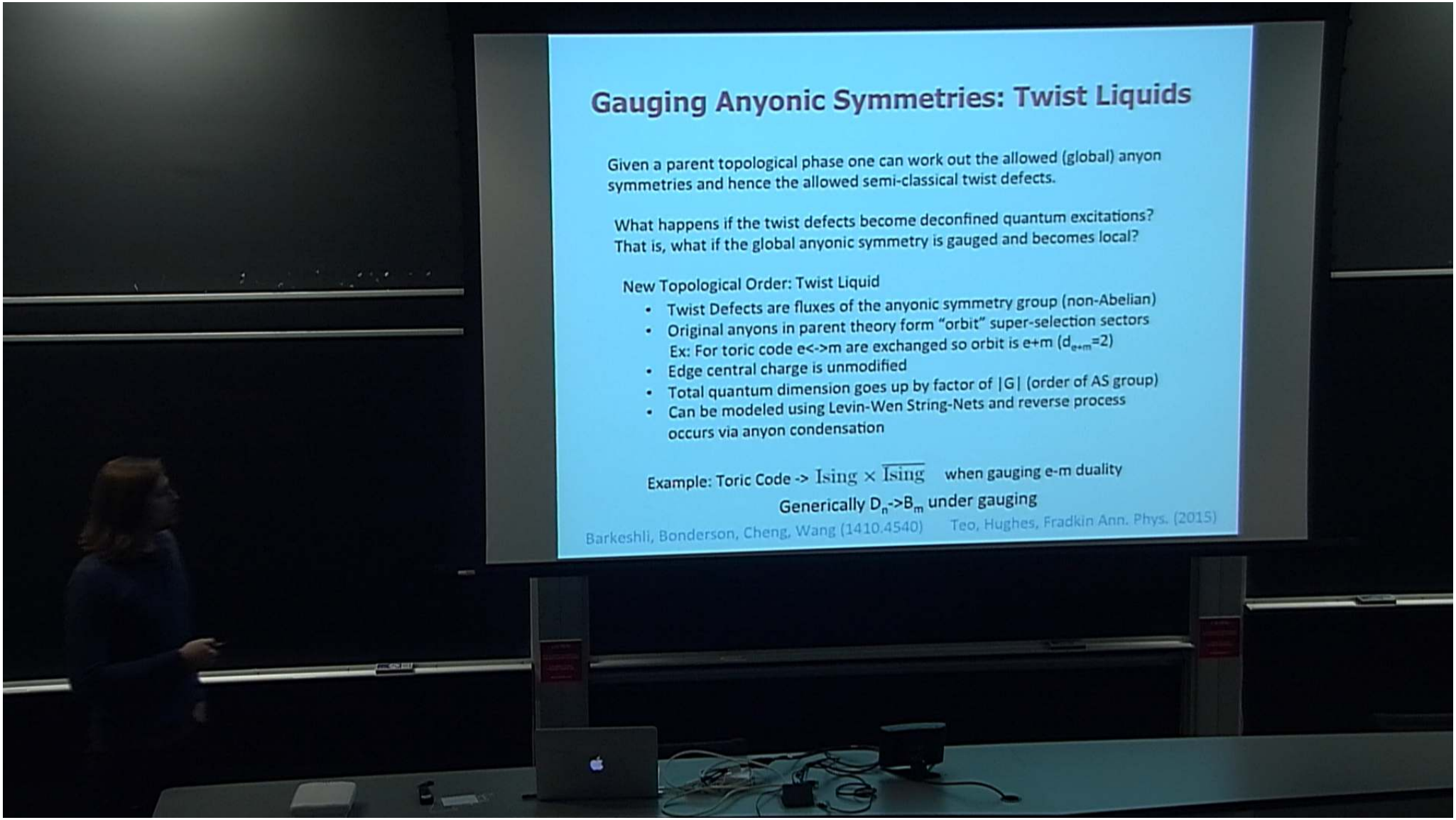
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What happens if the twist defects become deconfined quantum excitations? That is, what if the global anyonic symmetry is gauged and becomes local?
New Topological Order: Twist Liquid
Twist Defects are fluxes of the anyonic symmetry group (non-Abelian)
Original anyons in parent theory form "orbit" super-selection sectors
Ex: For toric code e<->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 -> $\mathrm{Ising} \times \overline{\mathrm{Ising}}$ when gauging e-m duality
Generically D_n->B_m under gauging
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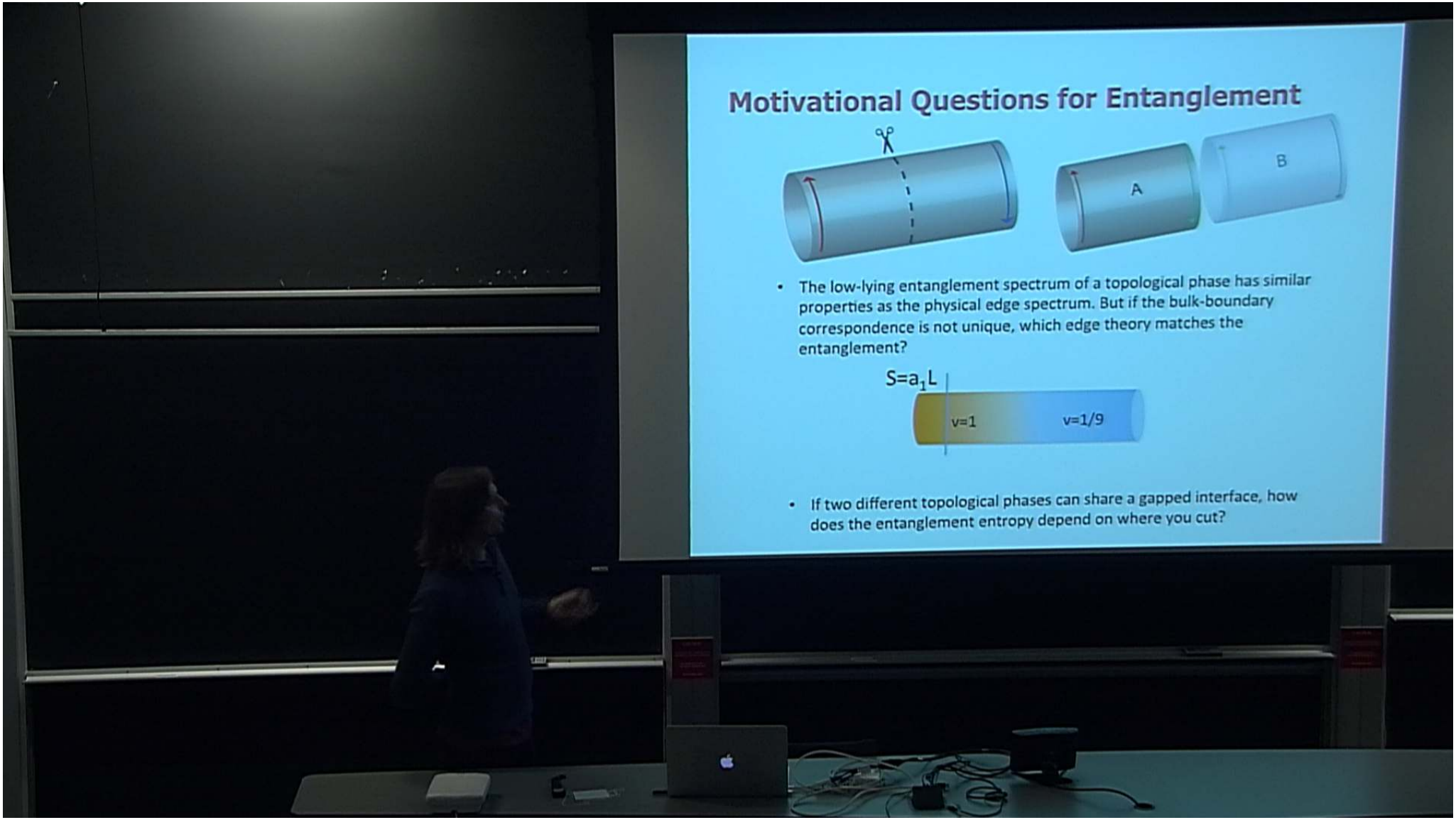
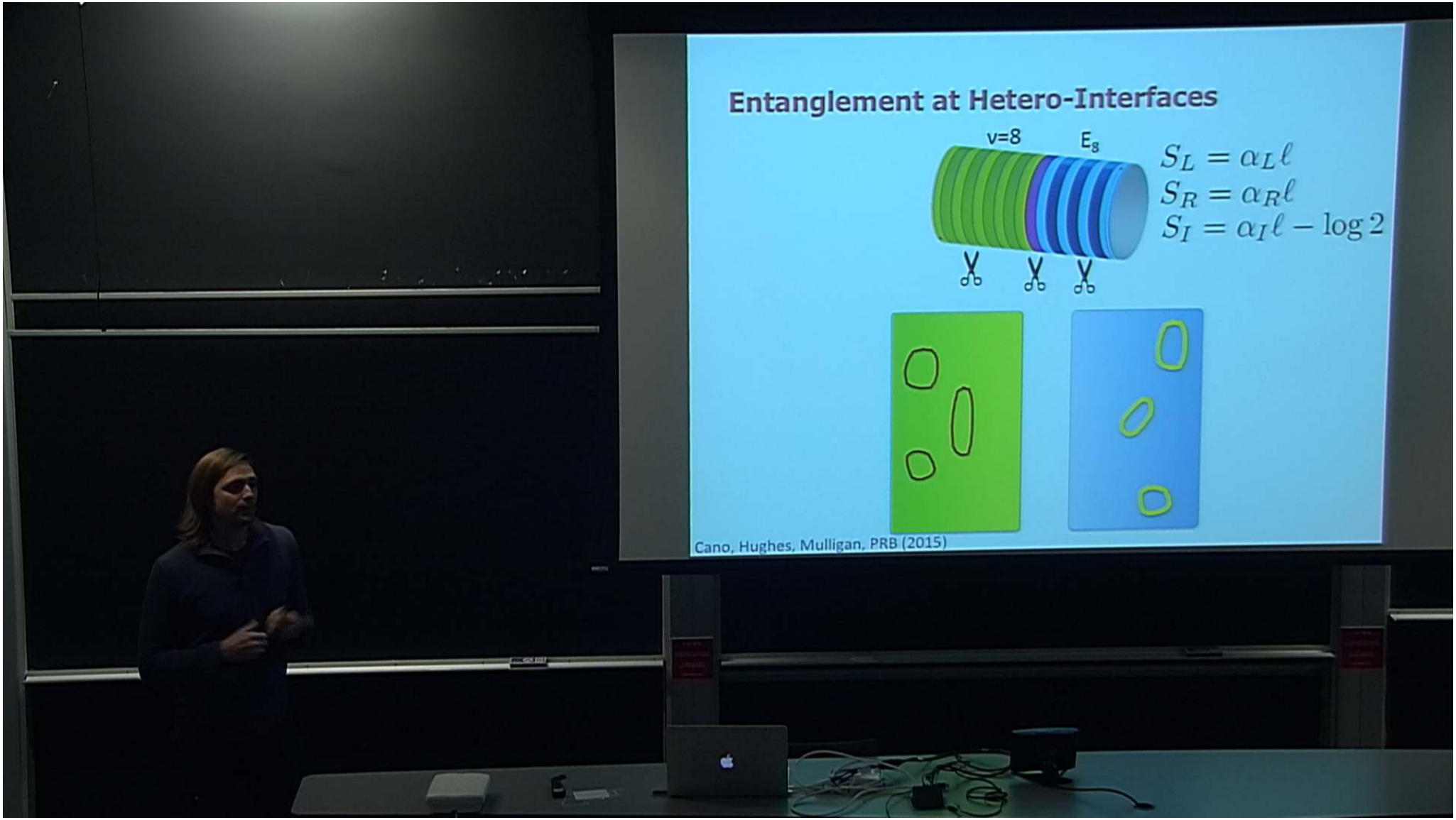
• Bulk properties determined by coarse information of the lattice: genus
• Boundary properties determined by a lattice within a genus
• Bulk -> Many Boundary Theories [Stable Equivalence]
2. Gapable interfaces between very different topological phases
[Levin PRX 2013, Plamadeala,Mulligan, Nayak PRB 2013, Cano et al.]
• There are conditions under which even very different topological phases can share a gapped interface
• Examples: (v=8)/E8, (v=1)/(v=1/9)
v=1
v=1/9


Motivational Questions for Entanglement
A
B
• 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?
S=a1L
v=1
v=1/9
• If two different topological phases can share a gapped interface, how does the entanglement entropy depend on where you cut?


Entanglement at Hetero-Interfaces
ν=8
E8
$S_L = \alpha_L \ell$
$S_R = \alpha_R \ell$
$S_I = \alpha_I \ell - \log 2$
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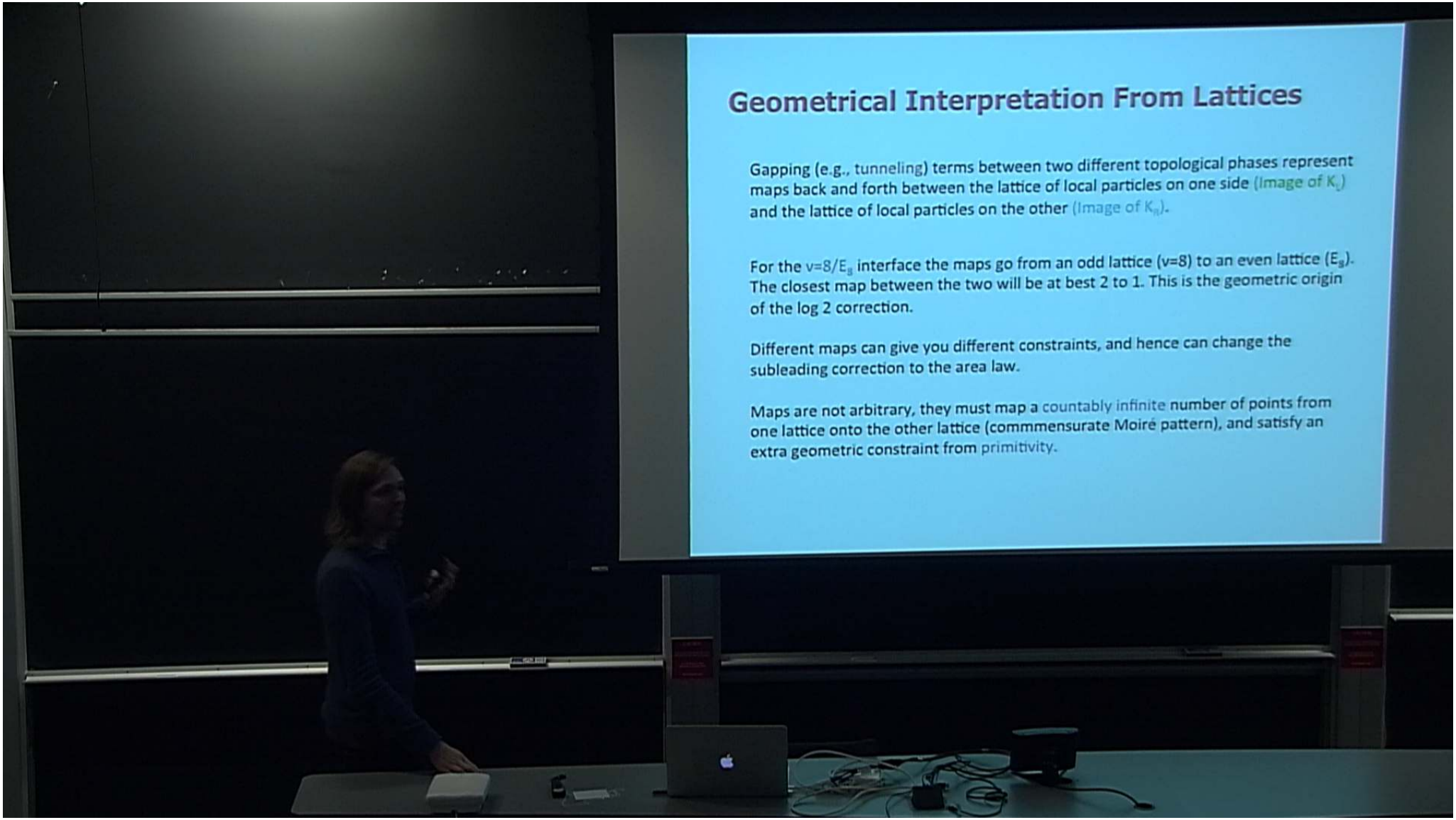
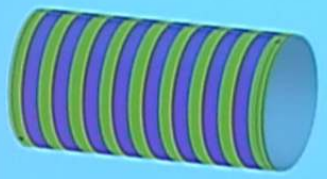

Geometrical Interpretation From Lattices
Gapping (e.g., tunneling) terms between two different topological phases represent maps back and forth between the lattice of local particles on one side (Image of K_L) and the lattice of local particles on the other (Image of K_R).
For the $\nu=8/E_8$ interface the maps go from an odd lattice ($\nu=8$) to an even lattice (E_8). 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 (commmensurate Moiré pattern), and satisfy an extra geometric constraint from primitivity.

Entanglement in Homogeneous Systems



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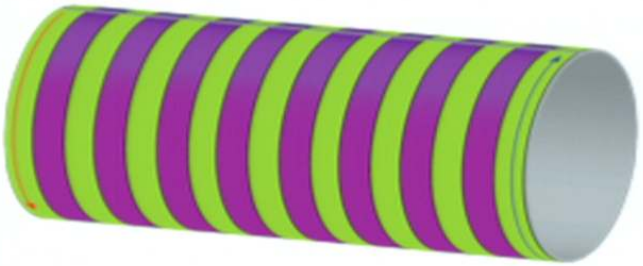

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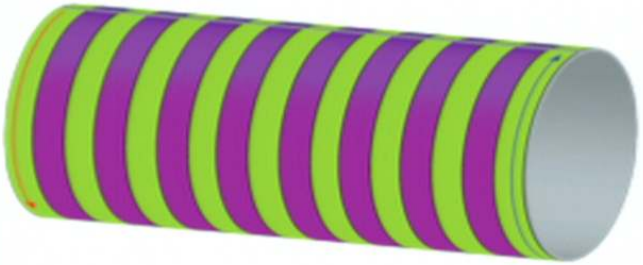

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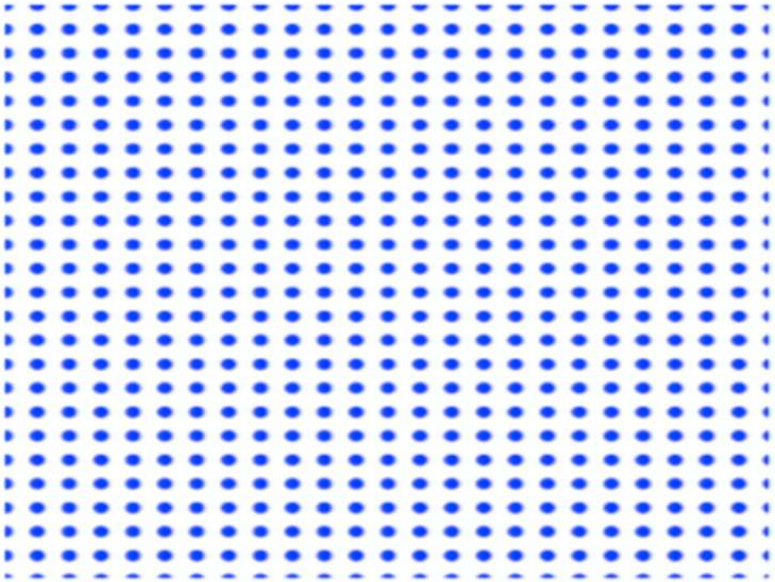

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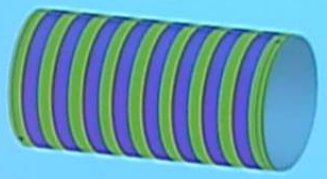

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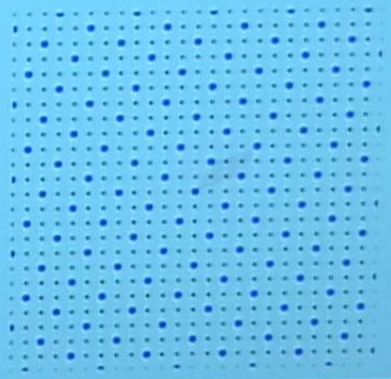
Many more examples...



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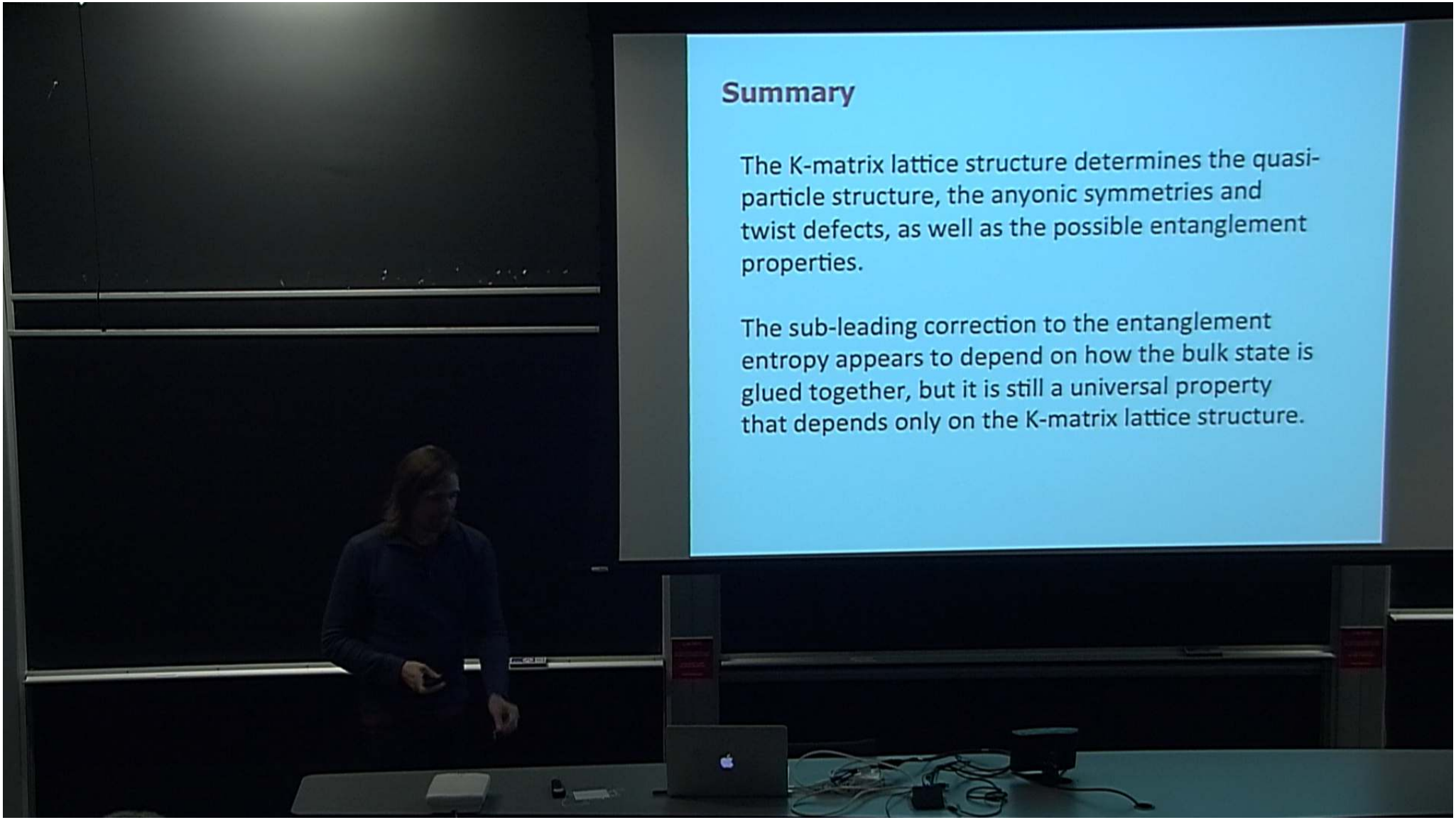
Summary
The K-matrix lattice structure determines the quasi-particle structure, the anyonic symmetries and twist defects, as well as the possible entanglement properties.
The sub-leading correction to the entanglement entropy appears to depend on how the bulk state is glued together, but it is still a universal property that depends only on the K-matrix lattice structure.