

Title: Hybrid fracton phases: Parent orders for liquid and non-liquid quantum phases

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Abstract: In this work, we introduce and study "hybrid" fracton orders, especially through a family of exactly solvable models. The hybrid fracton orders exhibit both the phenomenology of a conventional 3d topological ordered phase and a fracton phase. There are simple yet non-trivial fusion and braiding between the excitations between the two kinds. One example is the hybrid order of the \mathbb{Z}_2 topological order with the \mathbb{Z}_2 Xcube order, in which the fracton excitations fuse into the toric code charge, and in turn, the flux loop of the toric code can fuse into various lineon excitations. In the same way there is a hybrid ordered phase of Haah's code and the 3d toric code. Proliferating certain gapped excitations in these hybrid orders can drive a phase transition into either a fracton order or a conventional 3d topological phase.

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Hybrid Fracton Phases

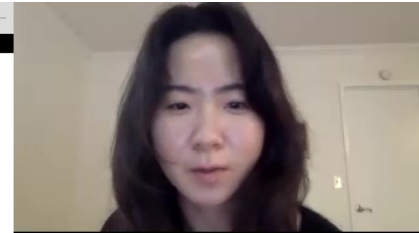
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Plan

- Introduction : Topological ordered phases and their exotic cousins - fracton orders .

Any model that exhibits the phenomenology of the two?

- The hybrid model of Z_2 toric code and Z_2 model
- Symmetry fractionalization and general construction
- A parent order of the Z_2 topological order and the Z_2 fracton order



Topological ordered phases

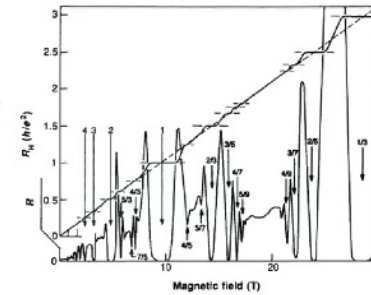
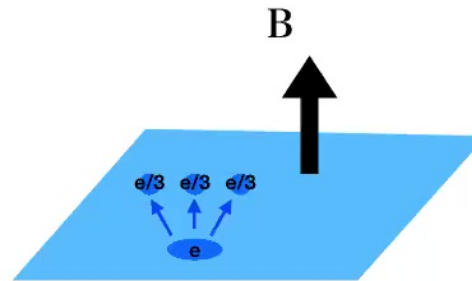
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fractionalized excitations

Degenerate ground states

Excitations detect each other remotely

Stable against *any* local perturbations



Topological ordered phases

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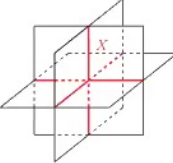
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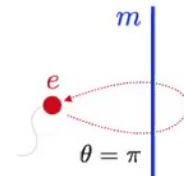
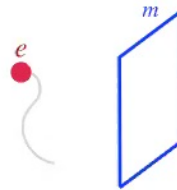
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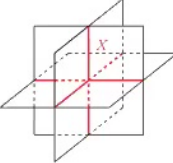
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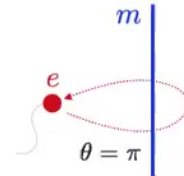
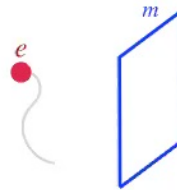
More fundamentally,

Long range entangled

topological entanglement entropy $S_{TEE} = -2 \log D$

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[Kitaev-Preskill, Levin-Wen, '05]

A new topological order: fracton phases

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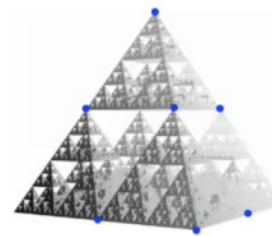
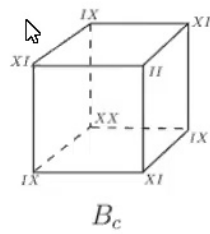
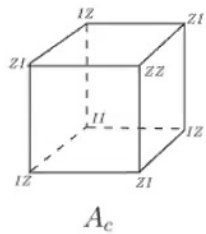
Yet exotic

Excitations with restricted mobilities

$\log(\text{ground state degeneracy}) \sim L$

Example. Haah's code [Haah-Preskill, '11]

$$H = - \sum_c A_c - \sum_c B_c$$



Immobile excitations

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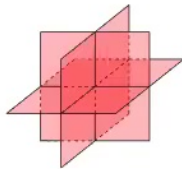
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Example. Z_2 X-cube model [Vigay-Fu, '16]

on a 3D cubic lattice, one qubit on each plaquette

$$H = - \sum_v A_v - \sum_c (B_c^x + B_c^y + B_c^z)$$



$$A_v = \prod_{p \supset v} X_p$$



$$B_c^x = \prod_{p=p_{xy}, p_{xz} \subset c} Z_p$$

four excitations, each immobile

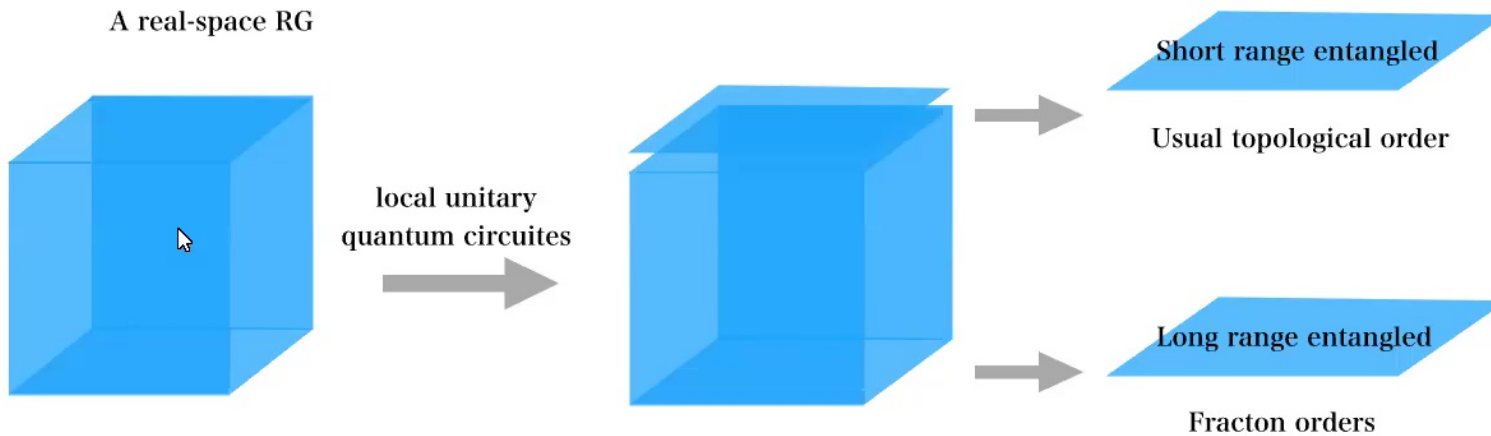


Excitation that can move only along one direction



$$\log_2 \text{GSD} \sim 2(L_x + L_y + L_z) - 3$$

Are they the same?



[Shirley-Slage-Xie, '18]

How are they related ?

- Phases relate two orders ?

Strongly coupled stacks of lower-dimensional topological phases

→ either fracton orders or 3D topological orders [Vijay '17, Prem-Huang-Song-Hermele '19 , ...]

- Two orders coexist ?

lattice models with excitations that are immobile, non-Abelian as well as mobile excitations.



[Bulmash, Barkeshli, Prem, Williamson,
Stephen, Rubio, Dua, Aasen, Slagle, ... '19-'20]



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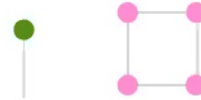
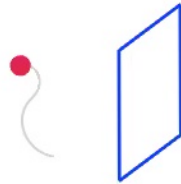
- More straightforward relations?

We find models that hybrid two orders, coexist, and not separable.



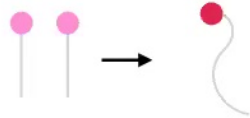
A hybrid order

Excitations reminecent of both orders

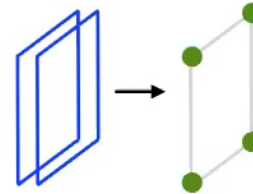


Not separable

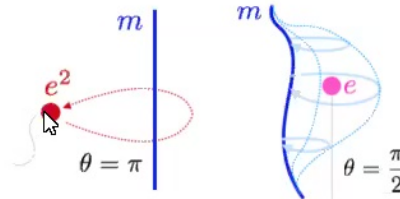
fracton \times fracton = mobile charge



loop \times loop = lineons at corners



Remotely mutually detectable

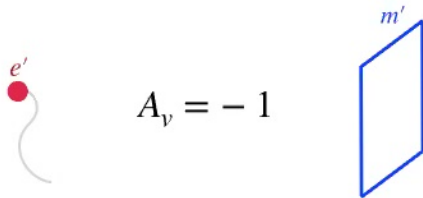
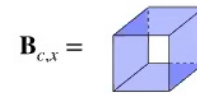
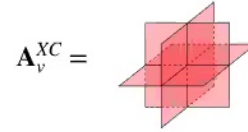
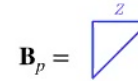
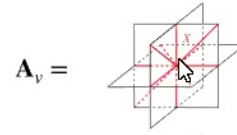


Fractonic Hybrid X-cube model

$$H_{\text{stack}} = H_{\text{Toric code}} + H_{\text{X-cube}}$$

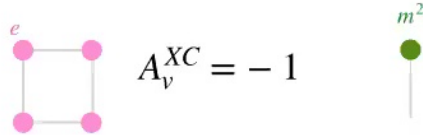
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$$A_v = -1$$

$$B_p = -1$$



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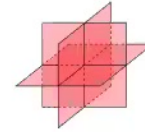
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$$X_e \rightarrow \xi_e = X_e \prod_{p \in n(e)} \text{CNOT}_{e,p},$$

$$Z_p \rightarrow \zeta_p = Z_p S_{(ij)} S_{(ik)}^{\dagger} S_{(il)},$$

$$\xi_e = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ \text{Diagram 2} \end{array} \right\} \equiv \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 3} \\ \text{Diagram 4} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{CNOT} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

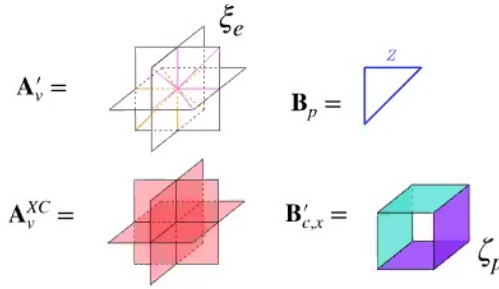
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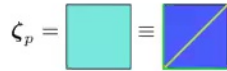
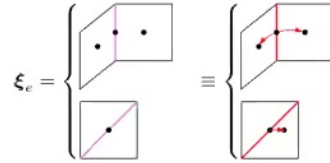
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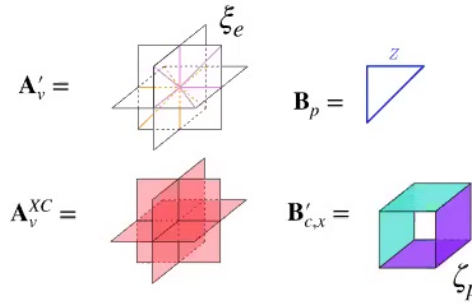


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Generating algebra hybrid two lattice gauge fields

$$\langle Z_e, \xi_e, \zeta_p, X_p \rangle$$

$$\xi_e^2 = \begin{array}{c} \text{red cube with } X \text{ on faces} \end{array} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{red cube with } X \text{ on top face} \end{array} \quad \zeta_p^2 = \begin{array}{c} \text{blue triangle with } z \text{ on edge} \end{array}$$

$$\xi_e Z_e = -Z_e \xi_e \quad X_p \zeta_p = -\zeta_p X_p$$

$$\text{for some neighboring (e,p)} \quad \xi_e \zeta_p = \pm i \zeta_p \xi_e$$

Fusion rules

Mobilities of excitations inherit from the toric code and X-cube models.

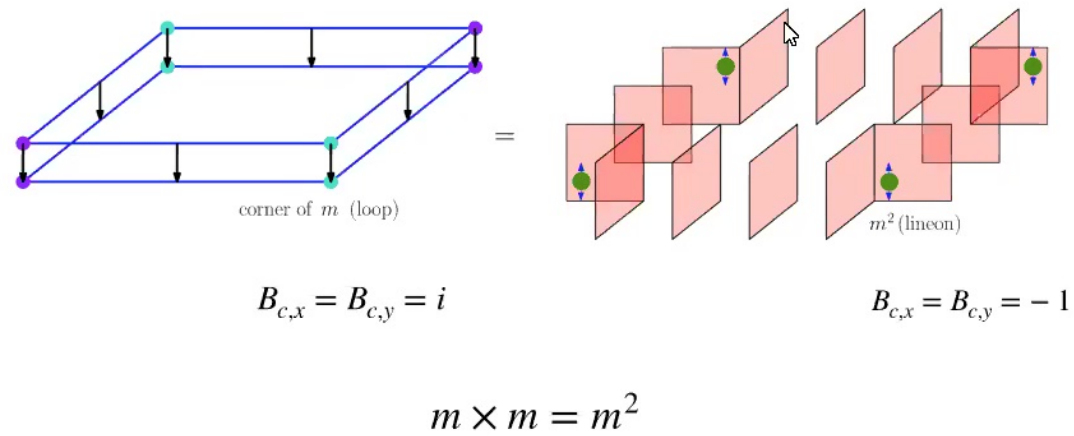
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
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$$e \times e = e^2$$



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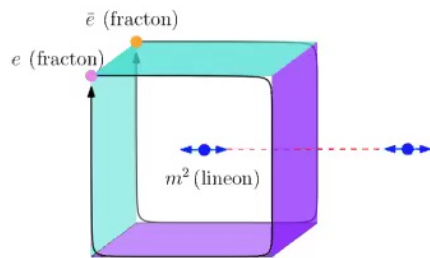
Braiding

The statistical phase between e^a and m^b :

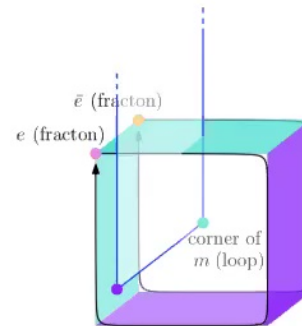
$$\theta_{ab} = e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}ab}$$

Example. a $e - \bar{e}$ fracton dipole braids with a lineon

a $e - \bar{e}$ fracton dipole braids with a corner of a m loop

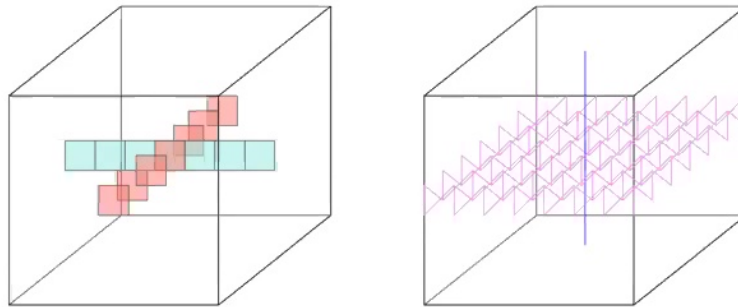


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$$\theta = i$$

Topological ordered



Ground state subspace = X-cube subsector \times Toric code subsector

Example.
$$\left(\prod_{p \perp C} \xi_e \right)^2 = \prod_v A_v \rightarrow 1$$

\log_2 Ground state degeneracy = $2(L_x + L_y + L_z)$

Stable against any local perturbations? Yes.



Why this map will intertwine the two orders?

$$\langle Z_e, X_e, Z_p, X_p \rangle$$



$$\langle Z_e, \xi_e, \zeta_p, X_p \rangle$$

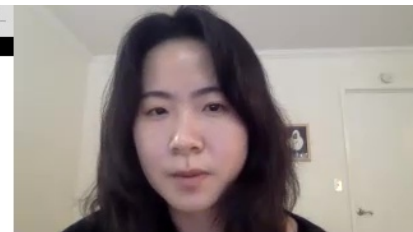
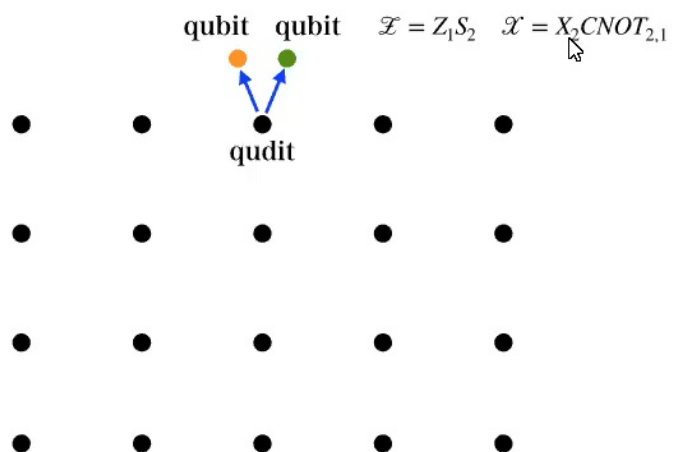
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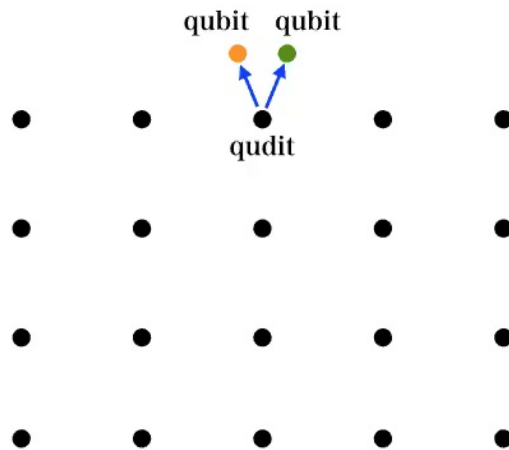
Where does the map come ?

\mathbb{Z}_4 paramagnet

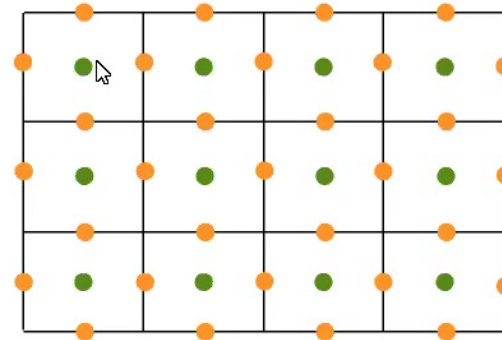


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Hybrid model

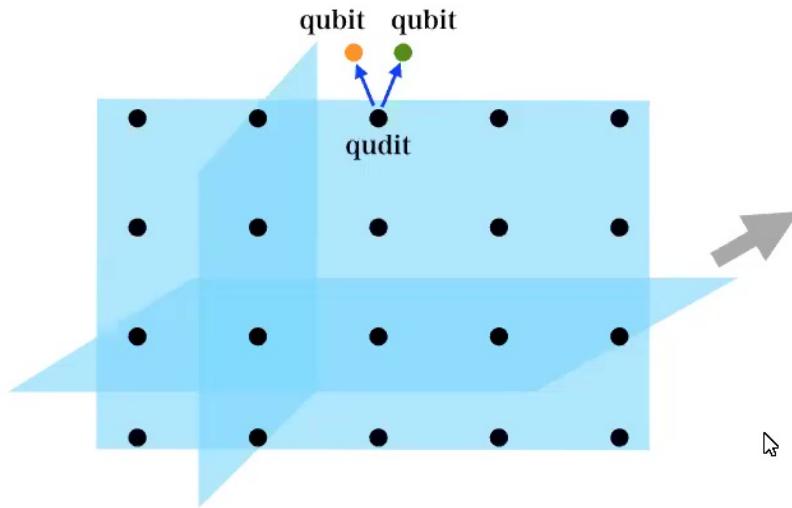


Step 1: Dualize one set of qubits to qubits on plaquettes

Step 2: Dualize the other set of qubits to qubits on edges

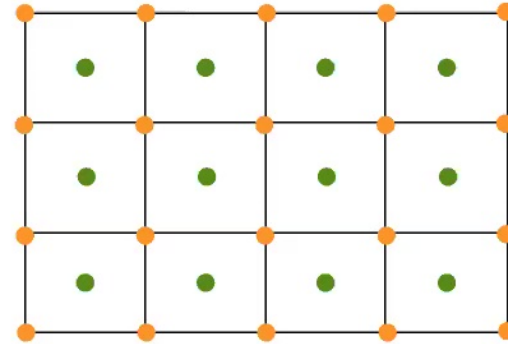
Fractionalized symmetry on fracton orders

Z_4 paramagnet



Z_4 global symmetry
 Z_2 planar symmetries

Step 1: Z_2 paramagnetic + X-cube model

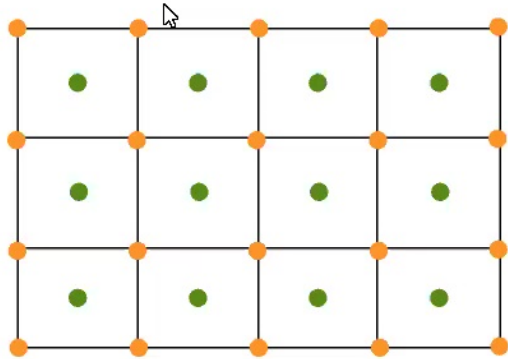


Z_2 global symmetry
 fractionalized on the X-cube model

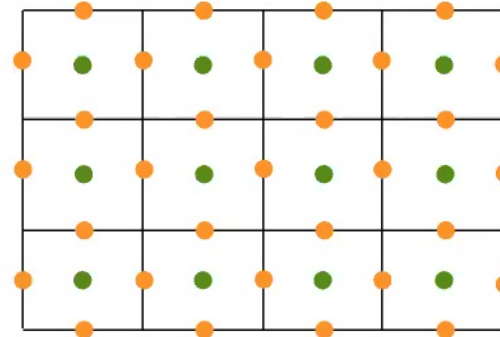
$$\rho \in H^2(Z_2, Z_2)$$

Fractionalized symmetry on fracton orders

Step 1: Z_2 enriched X-cube model



Step 2: Hybrid model of Z_2 toric code + X-cube model



gauge / dualize
the fractionalized
 Z_2 global symmetry



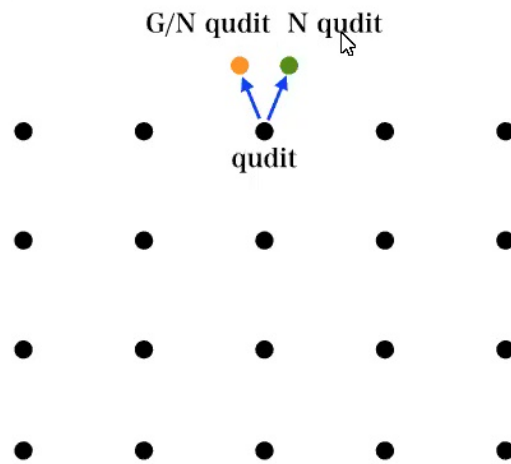
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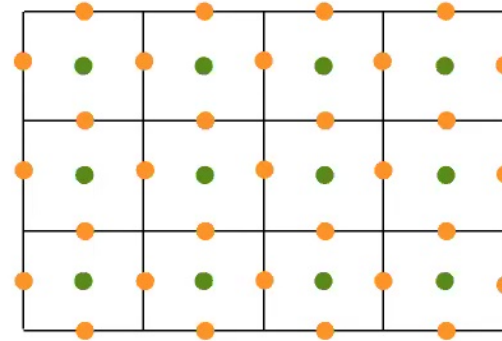
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How general ?

G paramagnet



Hybrid model



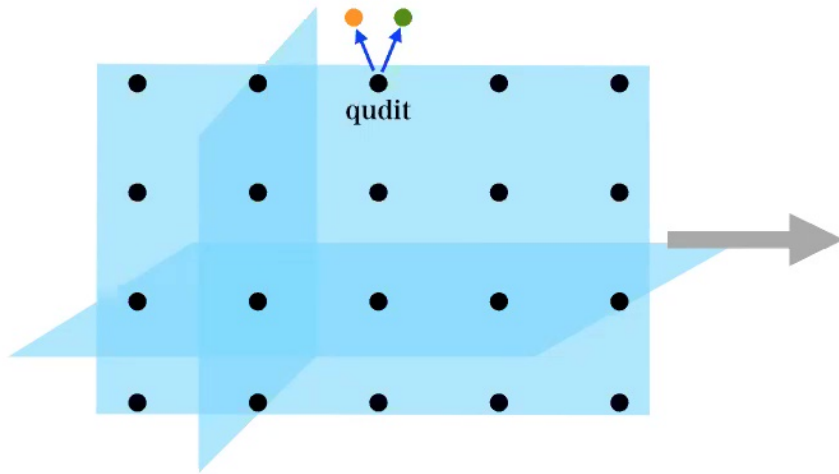
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N planar symmetries

Lineonic hybrid model

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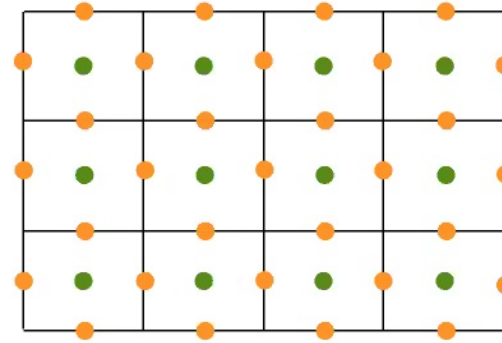
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- charged under 2 out of 3 planar symmetries

Hybrid model



- charge mobile along one direction (lineon)

lineon \times lineon = mobile charge

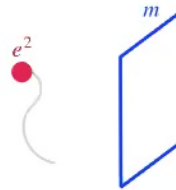
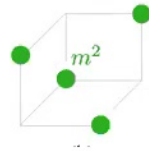
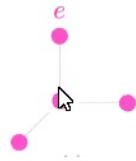
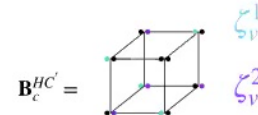
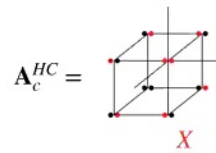
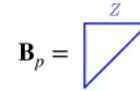
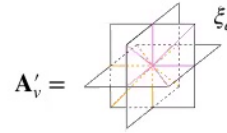
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Hybrid Haah's model

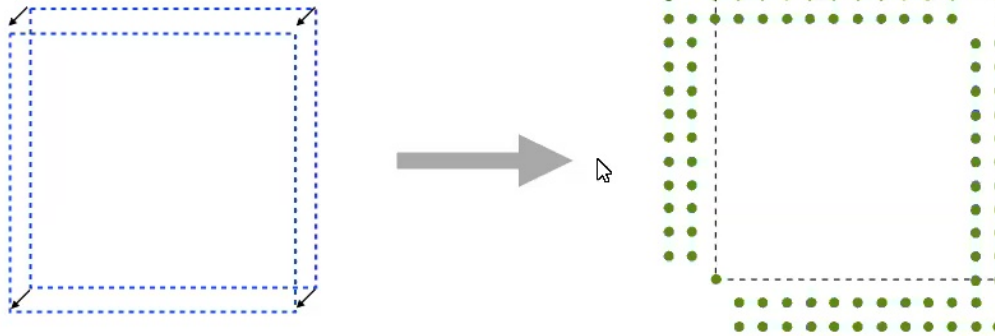
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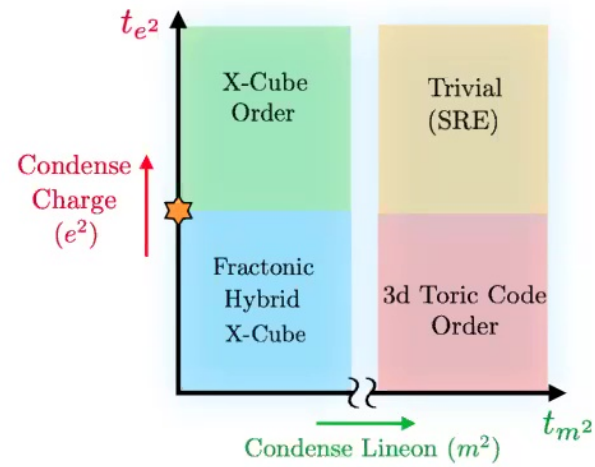


Hybrid Haah's model



$$m \text{ loop} \times m \text{ loop} = m^2 \text{ fractons}$$

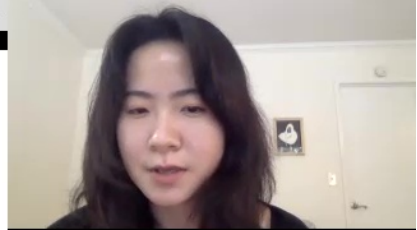
Parent order of Z2 gauge theory & Z2 Xcube order



$$H = H_{\text{hybrid}} - t_{e^2} \sum_e Z_e - t_{m^2} \sum_p X_p$$

Conclusion: A family of hybrid orders

Excitations & Fusion Rules
Generating Set = $\{1, e, e^2, m, m^2\}$
$e^2 \equiv e \times e = \text{mobile } \mathbb{Z}_2 \text{ charge}$
$m = \text{flux loop}$
$m^2 \times m^2 = e^2 \times e^2 = 1$
Hybrid Toric Code Layers
$e \equiv \text{planon} \quad m^2 \equiv \text{planon}$
$m \times m = \text{planons } (m^2) \text{ along loop}$
Fractonic Hybrid X-Cube
$e \equiv \text{fracton} \quad m^2 \equiv \text{lineon}$
$m \times m = \text{lineons } (m^2) \text{ at corners}$
Lineonic Hybrid X-Cube
$e \equiv \text{lineon} \quad m^2 \equiv \text{fracton}$
$m \times m = \text{fractons } (m^2) \text{ at corners}$
Hybrid Haah's Code
$e \equiv \text{fracton} \quad m^2 \equiv \text{fracton}$
$m \times m = \text{fractons } (m^2) \text{ along loop}$



Further questions

- Generalize to non-Abelian case
- All symmetry fractionalization ? $H^2(G, \mathcal{A})$
- Twisted hybrid fracton orders
- Topological quantum memory
- Unified description of liquid and non-liquid phases? Field theory descriptions ?

Thank you and keep staying well.

