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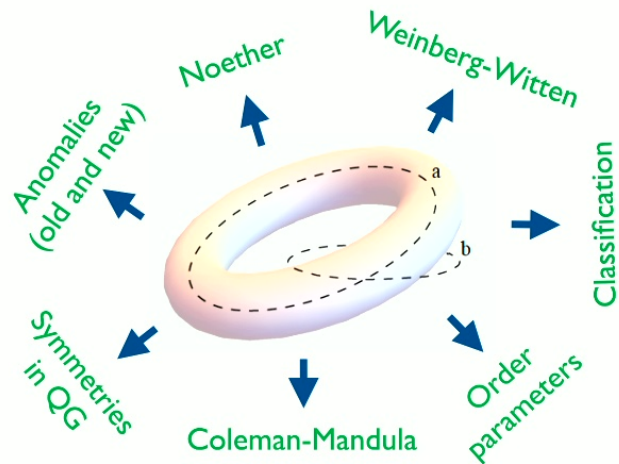
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Local aspects of generalized symmetries



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Context

- Landau paradigm
- Classification of general phases of matter: generalized order parameters
- Intrinsic (non-Lagrangian) approaches
- Quantum Information
- Constraints/classification of the zoo of possibilities
- Confinement, mass gap, etc
- Bootstrap and modular invariance
- Folk theorems in quantum gravity

Generalized Global Symmetries

Important progress in these directions was made by considering the notion of generalized global symmetries

[Gaiotto, Kapustin, Seiberg, Willett, 2014]

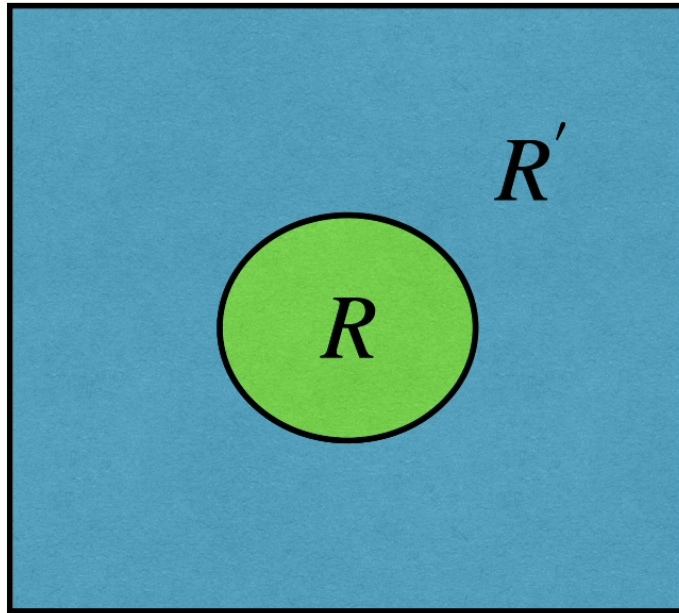
Briefly, this proposal can be described by a certain classification of operators

- Topological operators (generators of the symmetry)
- Charged operators (genuine lines for example)
- Global gauge group (algebra of charged operators)

Plan of the talk

- **Generalized order parameters and completeness in QFT**
- **Examples**
- **Entropic order parameters and the phases of QFT**
- **Universal charged density of states**
- **Discussion and outlook**

Generalized order parameters and completeness in QFT



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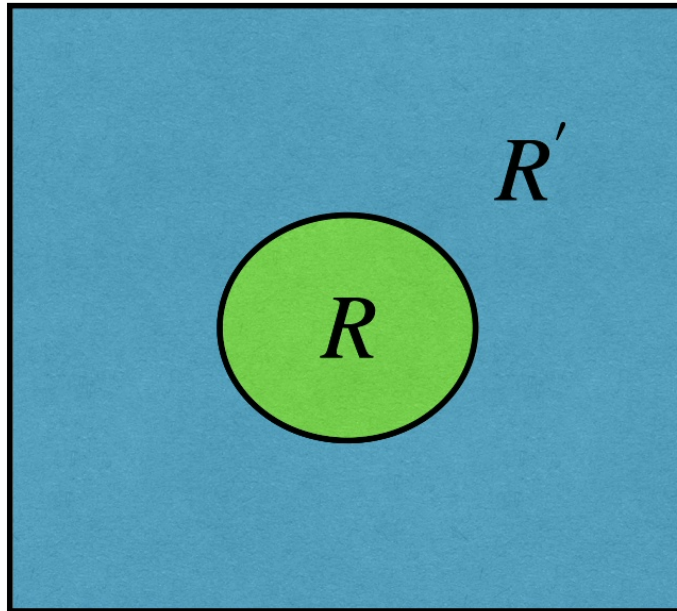
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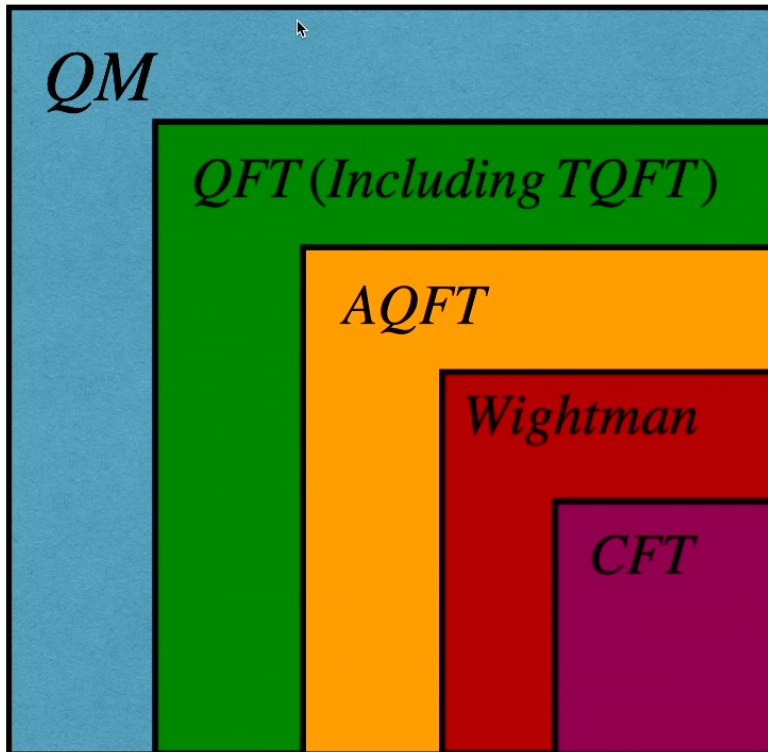
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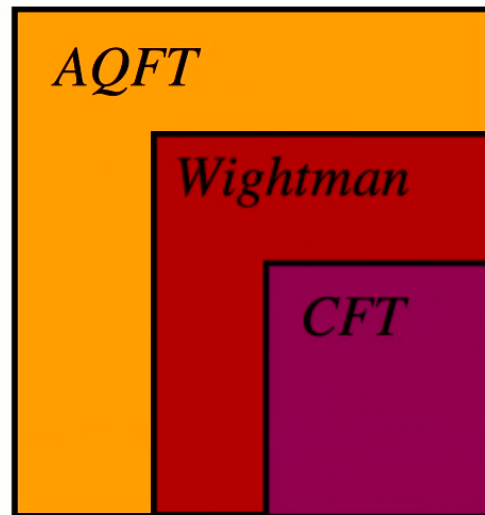
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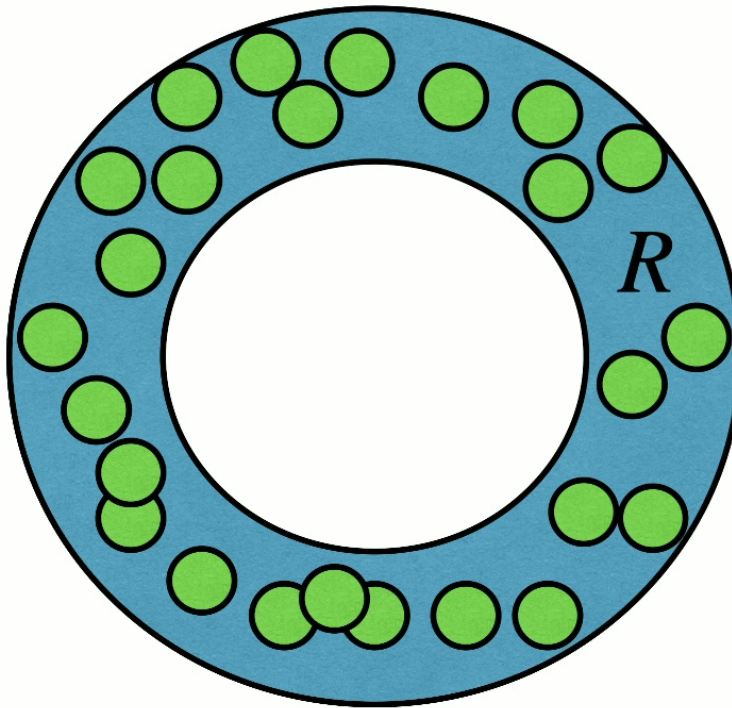
$$\mathcal{A}(R_{ball}) = \mathcal{A}(R'_{ball})'$$

Valid in Rindler wedge through
Bisognano-Wichmann theorem.

Valid in CFT in balls

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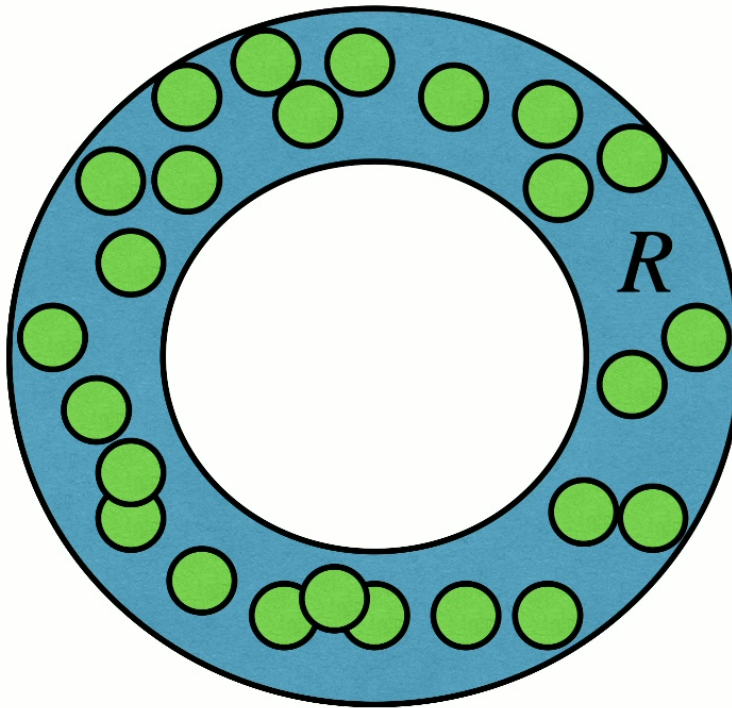
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What can we say about non-complete theories?

$$\mathcal{A}_{add}(R) \subsetneq \mathcal{A}_{add}(R')' \equiv \mathcal{A}_{max}(R)$$

First, it must be the case that

$$\mathcal{A}_{max}(R) = \mathcal{A}_{add}(R) \vee \{a\}$$

For some set of HDV operators $\{a\}$, the order parameters.

HDV operators define classes of operators in the regions

$$\tilde{a} \in [a] \rightarrow \tilde{a} = \sum_{\lambda} O_1^{\lambda} a O_2^{\lambda} \quad O_i^{\lambda} \in \mathcal{A}_{add}(R)$$

Important consequence: If duality is violated in R , it is also violated in R'

$$\mathcal{A}_{add}(R) \subsetneq \mathcal{A}_{max}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{add}(R') \subsetneq \mathcal{A}_{max}(R')$$

And it implies the existence of further order (or disorder) parameters and classes in the QFT

$$\mathcal{A}_{max}(R') = \mathcal{A}_{add}(R') \vee \{b\}$$

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The HDV operators generate local generalized symmetry transformations.
Unified view of order parameters and generalized symmetry transformations.

“Non-completeness implies the existence of a generalized symmetry.”

“Completeness \equiv uniqueness of the net \equiv duality for unique net \equiv absence of generalized symmetries.”

[Casini, J.M.M 2021]

Unification of previous folk theorems in quantum gravity

[Polchinski, 2003]

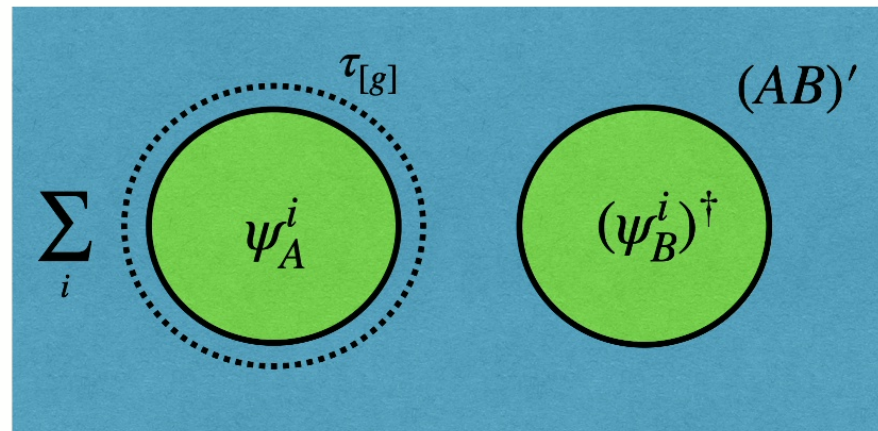
[Seiberg, Banks, 2010]

Final important remark: Haag duality for balls $\mathcal{A}(R_{ball}) = \mathcal{A}(R'_{ball})'$ implies all HDV operators, namely all generalized order parameters, are generated by local operators in the QFT.

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The generalized order parameters satisfy the following fusion rules

$$\tau_g \tau_{g'} = \tau_{gg'}$$

$$\tau_{[g]} = \sum_{g \in [g]} \tau_g \quad \longrightarrow \quad \tau_{[g]} \tau_{[g']} = \sum_{[g'']} \tilde{N}_{[g][g']}^{[g'']} \tau_{[g'']}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_r = \sum_i \psi_{1r}^i (\psi_{2r}^i)^\dagger \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathcal{F}_r \mathcal{F}_{r'} = \sum_{[g'']} N_{rr'}^{r''} \mathcal{F}_{r''}$$

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The HDV operators can be seen to be locally generated since

$$\mathcal{F}_r(x, y) \mathcal{F}_r(y, z) = \sum_i \psi_{1r}^i(x) (\psi_{2r}^i)^\dagger(y) \sum_j \psi_{1r}^j(y) (\psi_{2r}^j)^\dagger(z) = \mathcal{F}_r(x, z)$$

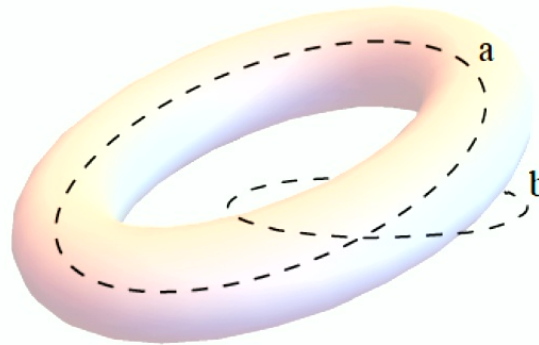
The 'locality' of the twist follows easily if there is a Noether current.

If there is no Noether current, the locality of the twist follows from the one of the
intertwiner and Von Neumann double commutant theorem

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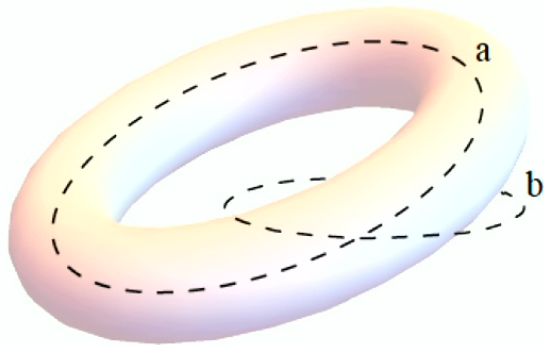
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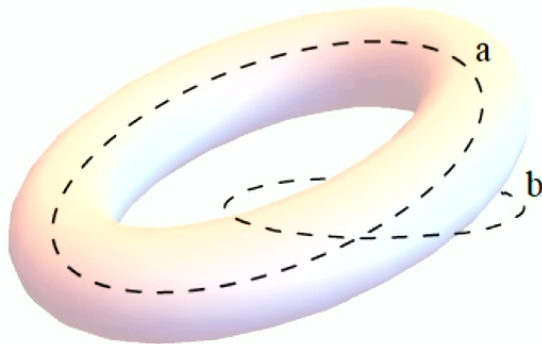
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Maxwell

$$a_q \equiv e^{iq\Phi_B} \quad b_g \equiv e^{ig\Phi_E}$$

They violate duality due to generalized current conservation

$$dF = 0 \quad d^*F = 0$$

The algebra is that of $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

$$a_q a_{q'} = a_{q+q'} \quad b_g b_{g'} = b_{g+g'}$$

Together with

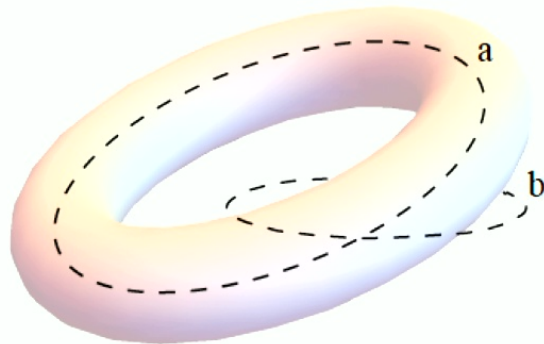
$$a_q b_g a_{-q} = e^{iqg} b_g$$

Generalized symmetry transformation

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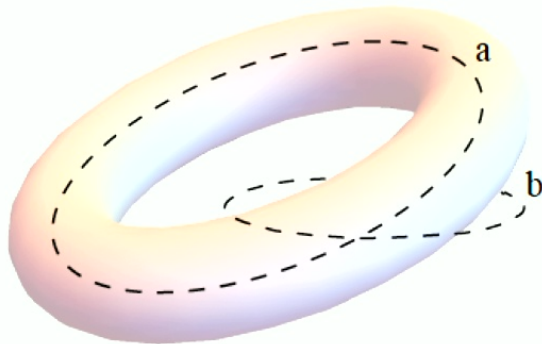
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Showing the WL to be a local operator in a ball can be done explicitly in the lattice.

In the continuum follows from locality of the electric flux plus Von Neumann double commutant theorem

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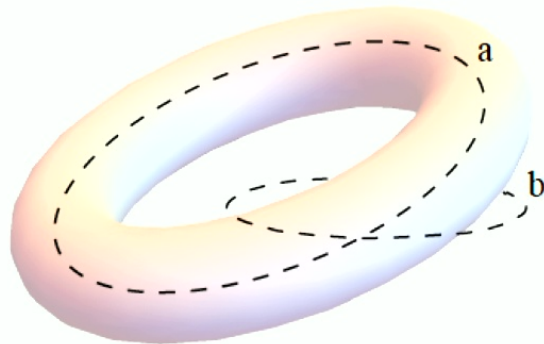
Add maximal number of HDV operators compatible with causality such that duality is restored



Haag-Dirac nets (Global gauge group)



Local physics is constrained by the symmetries of all global gauge groups



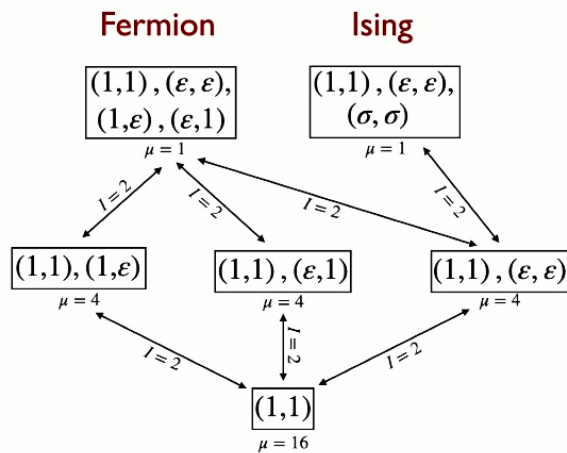
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Symmetries in 2d CFTs:

Like global symmetries (violate duality in regions with non trivial π_0)

Like symmetries in gauge theories (many different completions)

CFT's with $c = 1/2$



The Doplicher-Haag-Roberts reconstruction theorem does not apply in two dimensions

Entropic order parameters and the phases of QFT

Quantum complementarity is nicely described as follows

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{A}_{add}(R) \vee \{a\} & \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} & \mathcal{A}_{add}(R) \\
 \updownarrow & & \updownarrow \\
 \mathcal{A}_{add}(R') & \xleftarrow{\varepsilon'} & \mathcal{A}_{add}(R') \vee \{b\}
 \end{array}$$

Longo-Rehren type inclusion

[Longo, Rheren, 1995]

The ε are called conditional expectations. They are projections from the maximal algebra to the additive algebra (they 'integrate out' the non-local operators).

This suggests defining the following entropic order parameters

[Casini, Huerta, J.M.M, Pontello 2020]

$$S_{\mathcal{A}_{max}(R)}(\omega \mid \omega \circ \varepsilon) \quad \text{and} \quad S_{\mathcal{A}_{max}(R')}(\omega \mid \omega \circ \varepsilon')$$

Entropic Order
Entropic Disorder

These are relative entropies measuring the difference between the actual state and a state in which we have integrated out the non-local operators

Entropic order parameters and the phases of QFT

A certainty relation can be proven between the dual entropic order parameters

$$S_{\mathcal{A}_{\max}(R)}(\omega | \omega \circ \varepsilon) + S_{\mathcal{A}_{\max}(R')}(\omega | \omega \circ \varepsilon') = \log \lambda_\varepsilon$$

[Casini, Huerta, J.M.M, Pontello 2019]

[J.M.M, D. Pontello, 2020]

Generalization to type III algebras in [S. Hollands, 2020]
[Feng Xu, 2018]

$\lambda_\varepsilon = \lambda_{\varepsilon'}$ is the algebraic index of the conditional expectation.

[Jones, 1983] [Kosaki, 1986] [Longo, 1989]

It measures the size of the dual generalized symmetries

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When characterizing phases we typically observe

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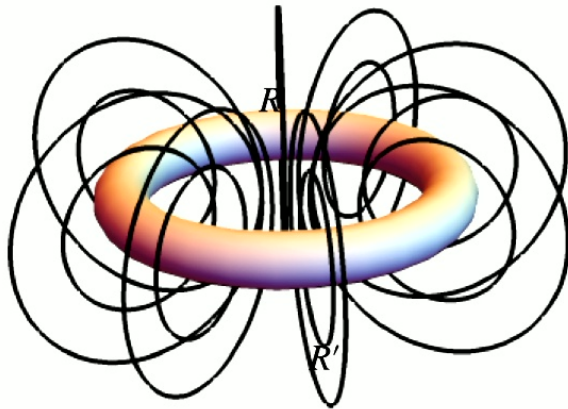
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Operator order/disorder parameters are typically considered as independent

But the certainty relation tells us they are two faces of the same coin

$$S_{\mathcal{A}_{max}(R)}(\omega | \omega \circ \varepsilon) + S_{\mathcal{A}_{max}(R')}(\omega | \omega \circ \varepsilon') = \log \lambda_\varepsilon$$

We should be able to derive the area law from the constant law and viceversa.
The heuristic path goes as follows



The entropic disorder parameter is bounded from above by

$$S_{\mathcal{A}_{max}(R')}(\omega | \omega \circ \varepsilon) \leq \log Z - S_{\mathcal{A}(R)}(\omega | \omega \circ \varepsilon')$$

Where $\mathcal{A}(R) \subset \mathcal{A}_{max}(R)$ is arbitrary.

Chose a set of WL in region R (black lines) and define

$$\mathcal{A}(R) = \sum_i W_i^A$$

Assuming constant expectation values for WL it follows

$$S_{\mathcal{A}_{max}(R')}(\omega | \omega \circ \varepsilon) \lesssim e^{-cA} \longrightarrow \langle T \rangle \sim e^{-cA}$$

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Summary and discussion

- Generalized order parameters are HDV operators.
- Constraints/classification of the zoo of possibilities
- Obstructions to mixing of symmetries
- Anomalies, Weinberg-Witten and Noether's theorem
- Relation between Wightman and algebraic approaches
- Confinement, mass gap, etc
- Generalization of modular invariance to high dimensions