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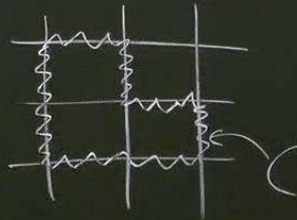
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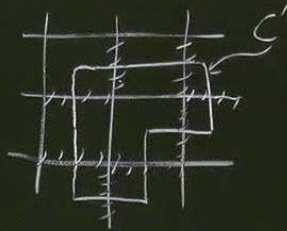
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1-form Symm:  
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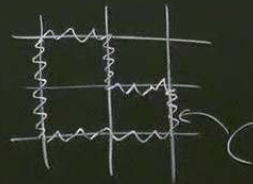
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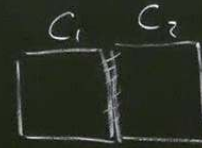
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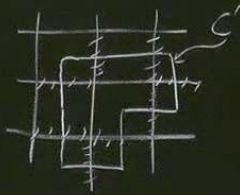
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$$Z_{C_1} Z_{C_2} = Z_{C_1 \cup C_2}$$



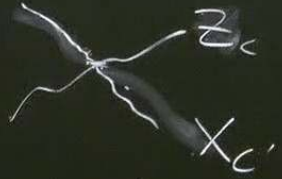
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$$|T.C.\rangle \rightarrow U_{FD} |T.C.\rangle$$

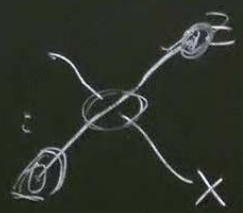
$$g_C \rightarrow U_{FD} g_C U_{FD}^+$$



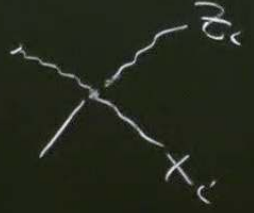
Local commutation: If  $C, C'$  intersects at one point.



$\Rightarrow (-1)$  in commutation:

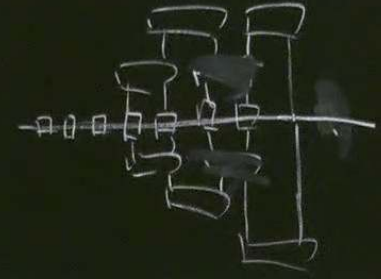


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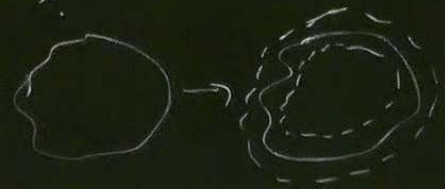
$$XZ = -ZX$$

$$UXU^+UZU = -UZU^+UXU^+$$



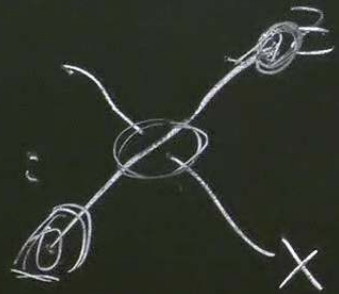
No ambiguity from string ends.

T.C.

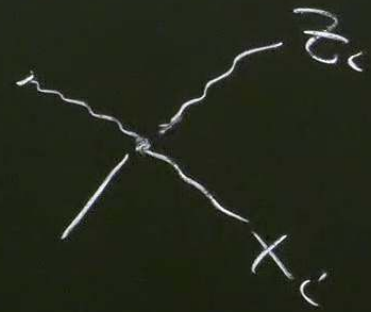


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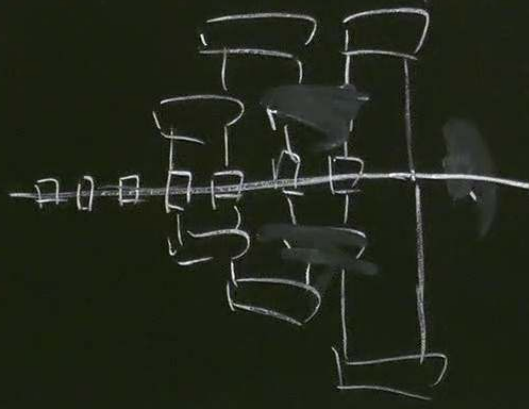


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$$XZ = -ZX$$

$$\boxed{UXU^+}UZU = -UZU^+UXU^+$$



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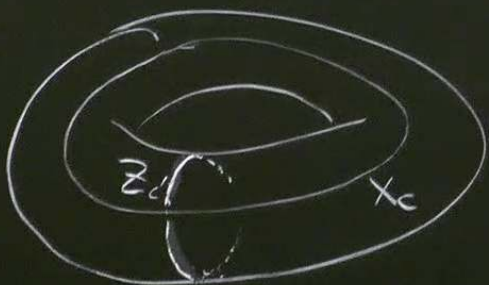
Consequences: (i)  $X_c Z_c = -Z_c X_c$

$$(Z_c X_c = -X_c Z_c)$$

$Z_c$  charged under  $X_c$   
acting by  $Z_c$  changes

$$|\psi\rangle = X_c |\psi\rangle \quad \left. \vphantom{|\psi\rangle} \right\}$$

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$|\psi\rangle = X_c |\psi\rangle$  } 4-fold gsd on torus.

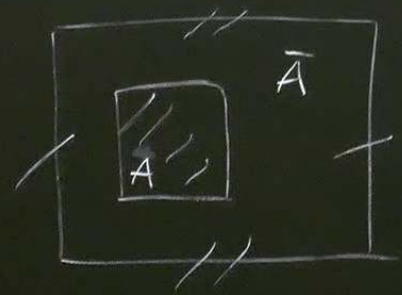
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genus-g Riemann surface.  $gsd = 4^g$

"Topological order"

$\mathcal{H}_A$ .

Thm. any two states  $|\psi_1\rangle, |\psi_2\rangle \in \mathcal{P}_G$  are locally indistinguishable.

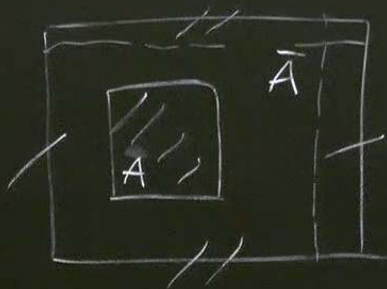


$$p_1 = \text{tr}_{\bar{A}} |\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_1|$$

$$p_2 = \text{tr}_{\bar{A}} |\psi_2\rangle\langle\psi_2|$$

Claim:  $p_1 = p_2$ . Proof: HW.

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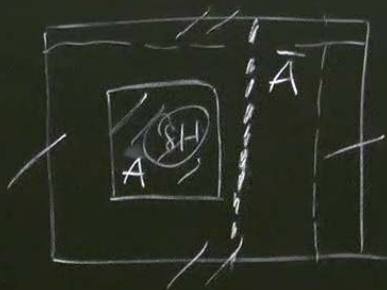


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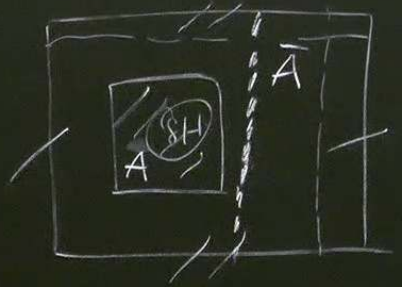
Claim:  $\rho_1 = \rho_2$ . Proof: HW.

Consequence: local perturbation cannot lift gsd.  $\delta H = \sum_i H_{i,i+1}$ .  $\delta E \sim e^{-L/5}$ .



$\partial H_A$

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Consequence: local perturbation cannot lift g.s.d.

$$\delta H = \sum_i H_i, \quad \delta E \sim e^{-L/S} \quad (\text{Ising})$$

Recall: Cat/GHZ/Ferro

$$|\pm\rangle = |\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\dots\rangle \pm |\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\dots\rangle$$

$|\uparrow\uparrow\dots\rangle$  vs  $|\downarrow\downarrow\dots\rangle$   
Distinguishable!

$$p_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (|\uparrow\uparrow\dots\rangle\langle\uparrow\uparrow\dots| + |\downarrow\downarrow\dots\rangle\langle\downarrow\downarrow\dots|) \Rightarrow \text{g.s.d. lifted by } \delta H$$

are locally indistinguishable.

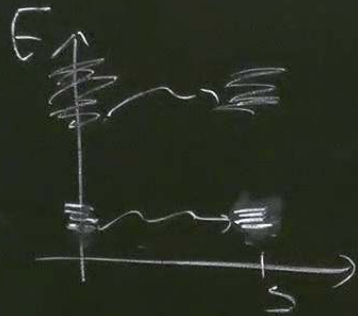
$$\Rightarrow \nexists O_{\text{local}} = (O_{\text{local}}|\psi_1\rangle = |\psi_2\rangle, |\psi_1\rangle \neq |\psi_2\rangle)$$

Claim:  $\rho_1 = \rho_2$ . Proof: HW.

GSD.  $\delta H = \sum_i H_i$ .  $\delta E \sim e^{-L/\xi}$ . (Ising model.  $\delta \sim e^{-L/\xi}$ )

$\rho_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (|M\rangle \langle M| + \frac{1}{2} |L\rangle \langle L|) \Rightarrow$  GSD lifted by  $\delta H \sim Z$

$$H = H_0 + \delta H(s)$$



$$U_{\text{Quasi-adiabatic}} = \mathcal{T} e^{-i \int_0^L H(s) ds} = U_{\text{FD}}$$

$\tilde{H}$  quasi-local  $\Rightarrow$  do not mix different s.s.

Consequence: T.C.  $|GS\rangle$  is LRE.  $\neq U_{FD} |+++ \rangle$

$$\text{If } \underline{U_{FD}^\dagger |GS\rangle} = \underline{|+++ \rangle}$$

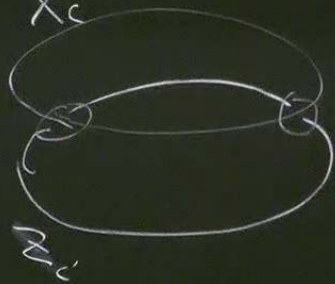
$$\Rightarrow \exists |\psi\rangle = \langle +++ | \psi \rangle$$

but on any contractible  $A$ ,  $\rho_A = |+++ \rangle \langle +++|$

$$\Rightarrow |\psi\rangle = |+++ \rangle$$

$Z_2^{(1)}$  symm is spontaneously broken, Order parameter:  $Z_c$

$X_c$



vs.  $X_c$  1d  $Z_{slg}$

$Z_i$

$Z_j$

$Z_c$

Thin torus limit.

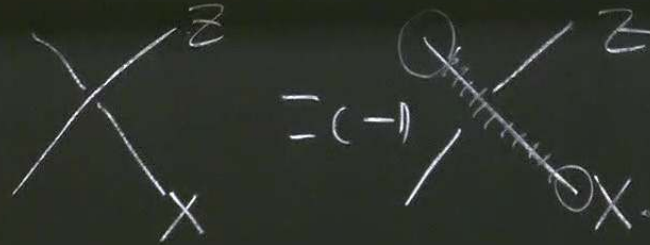


+ XXXX  $\rightarrow$  XX  $\leftarrow$

$\square$  ZZZZ  $\rightarrow$  ZZ 11

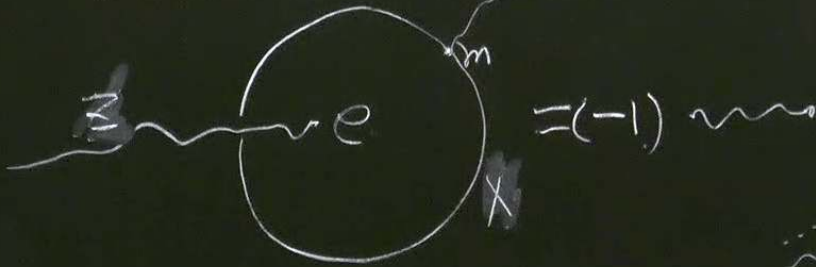
}  $Z$  decoupled Ising model

Open strings:



Open strings create ex

1. Mutual statistics



$\epsilon$  has  $n + \frac{1}{2}$  angular momentum

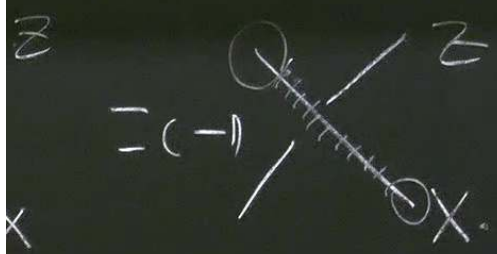
$\Rightarrow \epsilon$  is fermion

$Z_c$  flips  $\prod X$  (e-particle)



$$g_{12} = g_{13}$$

$g_{ij}$

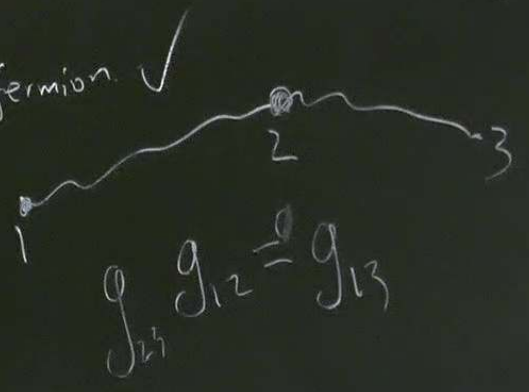
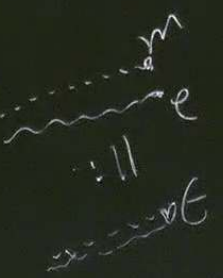


Open strings create excitations at ends.

$Z_c$  flips  $\Pi X$ ,  $X_c$  flips  $\Pi Z$   
 (+ (e-particle) (m-particle))

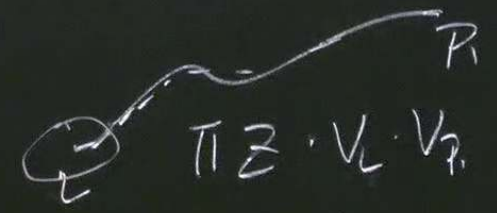
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