

OUTLINE

- 0) Quantum Circuit model
- 1) Why topology should be involved?
- 2) Programming Language
- 3) How powerful (these computers are)?
 - TQCs vs QCM
 - problems/complexity
- 4) Explicit examples

Quantum Circuit Model:

- State space $\mathcal{H}_n = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$ ← n qubit state space
- Orthogonal basis for \mathbb{C}^2 : $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$
⇒ Basis for \mathcal{H}_n : $\{|i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\rangle : i_j \in \{0, 1\}\}$
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 $|i_1\rangle \otimes |i_2\rangle \otimes \dots$

- Gates $\mathcal{G} = \{G_1, \dots, G_k\}$ $G_i \in U(\mathcal{H}_{n_i})$
Typically, $n_i \ll \infty$
 $\dim(\mathcal{H}_{n_i}) = 2^{n_i}$
(very often, we want $n_i \leq 2$)
some physical operations that can be realized on some physical system

- Examples of gates ① CNOT: $\mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2$

$$\text{CNOT } |i_1, i_2\rangle = |i_1, (i_1 + i_2)\rangle$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & | & 1 \\ & & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ② Hadamard gate $H \in U(\mathcal{H}_1)$
 $H |0\rangle \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$
 $H |1\rangle \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$ } Bell basis

$$(3) T \in U(\mathcal{H}_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |0\rangle &\longrightarrow |0\rangle \\ |1\rangle &\longrightarrow e^{i\pi/4} |1\rangle \end{aligned}$$

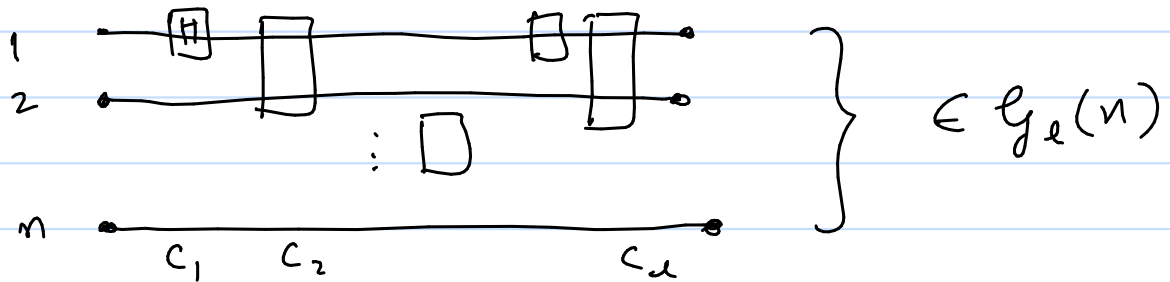
(called $\pi/8$ gate)

$$\text{matrix: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$

- n -qubit, length l , \mathcal{G} -circuit $\in \mathcal{G}_l(n)$ is $\prod_{i=1}^l c_i$ where $c_i \in \{ I_2^{\otimes q} \otimes G_j \otimes I_2^{\otimes (n-j-1)} \} \in U(\mathcal{H}_n)$

$$\text{then } \mathcal{G}(n) = \bigcup_{l \geq 1} \mathcal{G}_l(n)$$

Think of each qubit as living on some wire



Defn: \mathcal{G} is **Universal** if $\forall n \overline{\langle \mathcal{G}(n) \rangle} \subseteq U(\mathcal{H}_n)$
contains $SU(\mathcal{H}_n)$

Example: $\{ \text{CNOT}, H, T \}$ is universal

KITAEV-SOLOVAY THM: Let $U \in SU(\mathcal{H}_n)$, fix $\epsilon > 0$,
if \mathcal{G} is universal, then $\exists l(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$ polynomial
and a circuit of length $l = X$ s.t.
 $\|U - X\| < \epsilon$.

Suppose we have $f: \mathbb{Z}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2^n$ classical function

GOAL: compute $f(N)$ N : some binary string

Quantum algorithm takes: $f \xrightarrow{\text{magic}} \boxed{U_f} \in \text{SU}(\mathbb{C}^{2^n})$

s.t. $N \rightsquigarrow |N\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^{2^n}$

$$U_f |N\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} a_i |X_i\rangle \quad \& \quad |a_{f(N)}|^2 > \frac{1}{2}$$

quantum info.
we have to make
measurement to get
result

shows up with
high probability
So, after many measurements
we get the correct
answer.

an example is SHOR's algorithm.

- Few problems with QCM
→ needs powerful quantum computer
KEY PROBLEM : decoherence

(quantum systems are not isolated)
affected by heat, etc.
"Reality is the problem"

ER's perspective on decoherence:

LOCAL ERRORS
Ex: bit flip, phase problems

Quantum Error Correction → being used to deal with above

It works!

But very expensive, \$ overhead

So, we look for alternate ways to overcome local errors.

Q: How to overcome local errors?

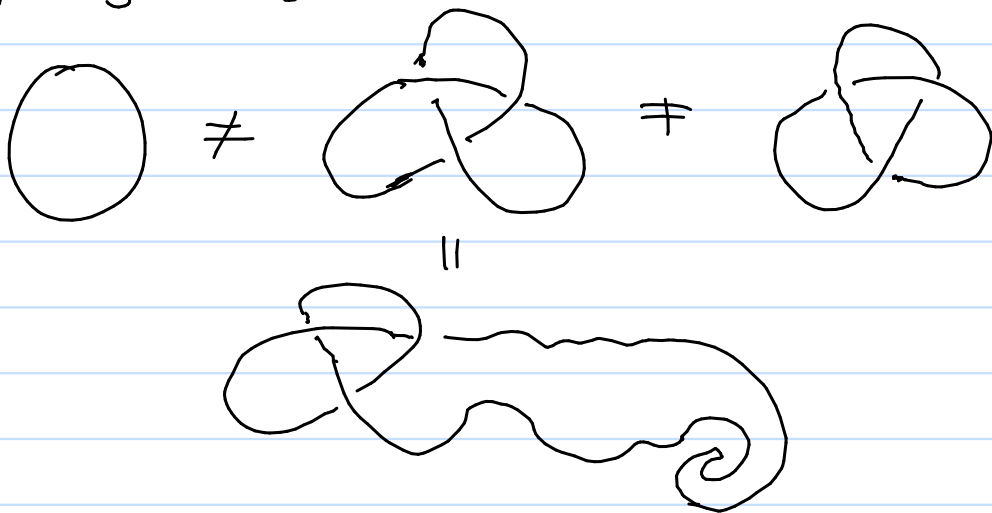
Ans: encode globally
(s.t. local errors don't affect global information)

Enter TOPOLOGY!

- Idea of M. Freedman 1997 (TQFT)
(Topological Quantum Field Computer)
- Kitaev: Idea of using Topological Phases of matter

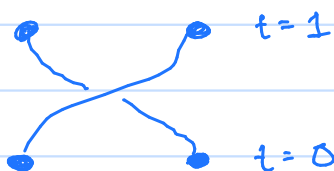
→ Around 2001, they realized that the above 2 ideas are essentially same.
TQFT models TPM

• Errors are local. So, store & manipulate info. globally.

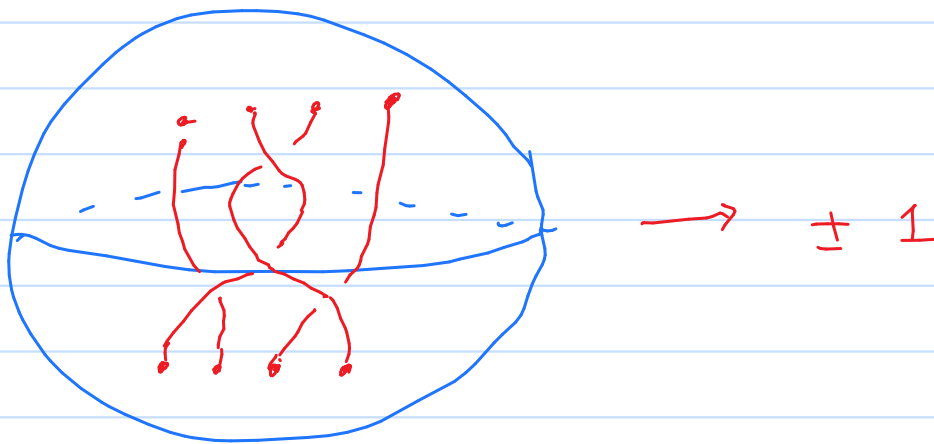


Do Topological Phases of Matter even exist?

In \mathbb{R}^3 particles are bosons / fermions



$(\pm 1) \Psi_0 = \Psi_{\pm 1}$ (because of Physics)
 $-1 \rightarrow$ fermions
 $+1 \rightarrow$ bosons



- Makes sense because $\pi_1(S^3 \setminus \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}) = \mathbb{Z}$
- But $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{p_1, \dots, p_k\}) \cong F_n$

ANYONS:

$$e^{i\theta} \psi(z_1, z_2) = \psi(z_2, z_1)$$

wavefunction corresponding to identical particles

(1-dim state space)
(abelian)

anything which is rational multiple of π
(for physical reasons)

could exist in " $\mathbb{R}^2_{D^2}$ "

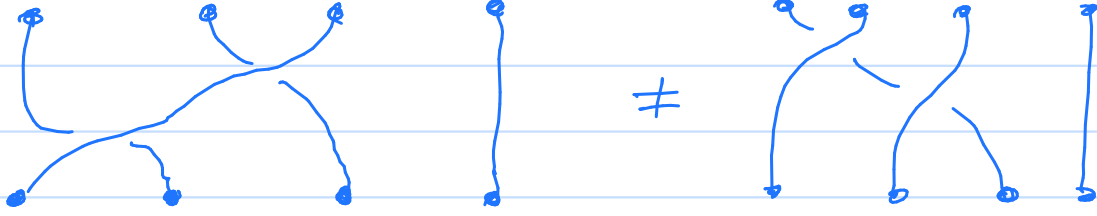
Non-abelian anyons:

Take some basis ψ_1, \dots, ψ_k of the state space of configurations of n anyons in \mathbb{D}^2 .

$$\sigma : z_i \leftrightarrow z_{i+1}$$

$$\sigma \psi_i(z_1, \dots, z_i, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_n)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i \psi_i$$



So, there is possibility of having non-abelian anyons.

BRAID GROUP:

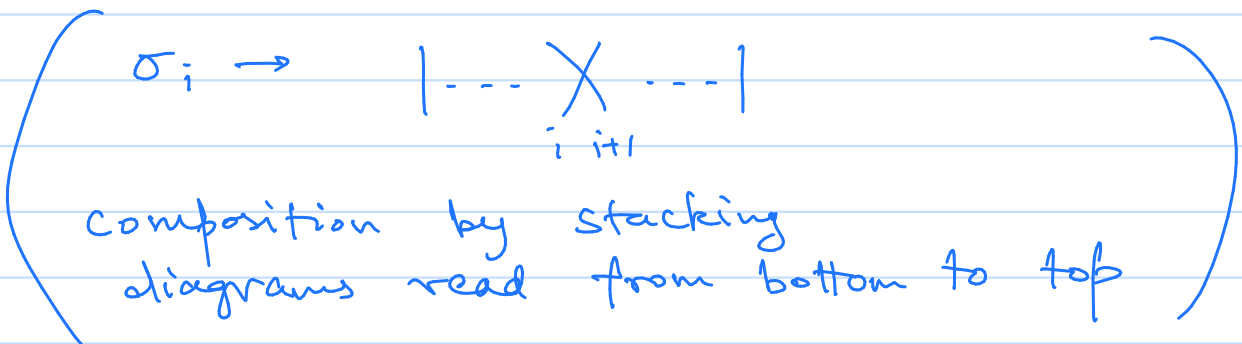
$$B_n = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n-1} : \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \rangle$$

$$[\sigma_i, \sigma_j] = 1 \text{ if } |i-j| > 1$$

Mathematically, it is the Mapping Class Group of $\mathbb{D}^2 \setminus \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$

OR

It's the motion group $\text{Mot}(\mathbb{D}^2, \{P_1, \dots, P_n\})$



We are going to model Topological Properties of Top. Phases of Matter (Anyons)

Take Quantum Mechanics + Topology of surfaces with bary

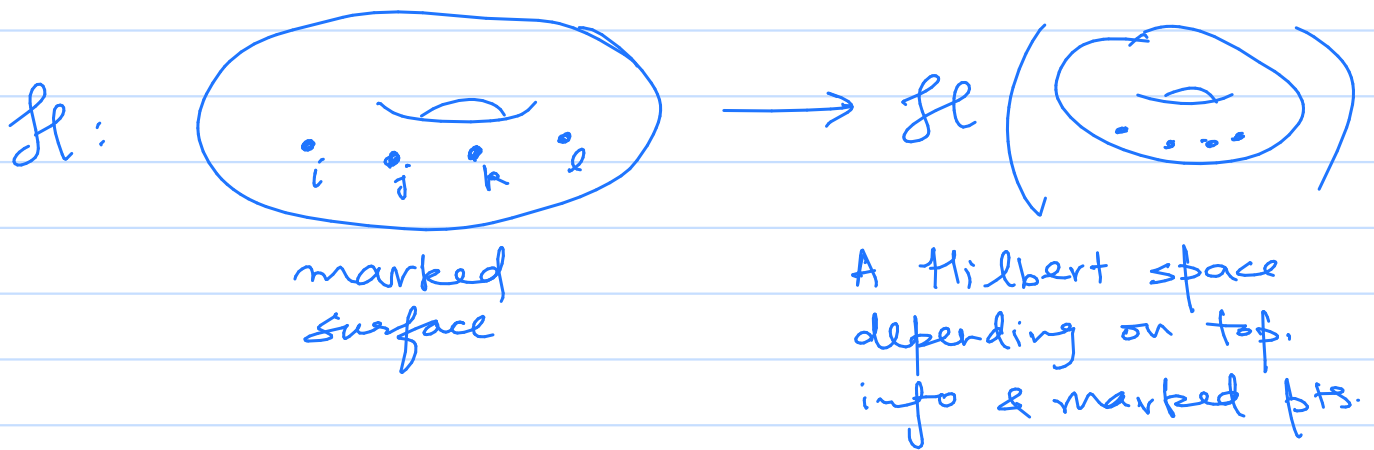
marked pts (Anyons can live in surface only)

Mathematically, we start with a set $\mathcal{L} = \{0, 1, \dots, r-1\}$ finite set correspond $\mathbb{Z} = 1$ to anyon types

$0 \leftrightarrow$ vacuum (empty anyon type)

QM: ① Superposition principle (PRINCIPLE 1)

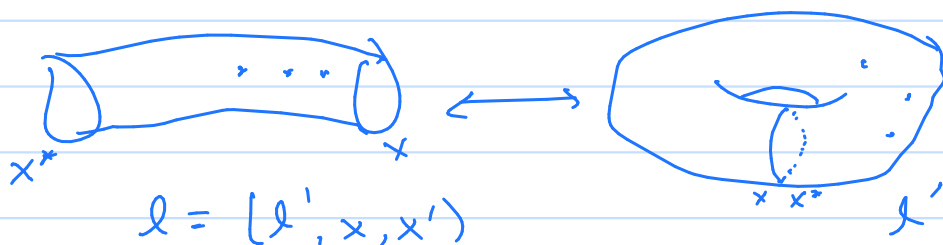
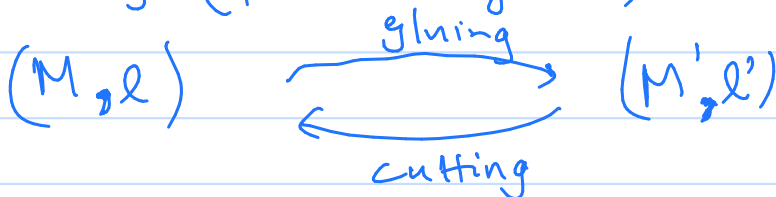
means that state space of QM system is a Hilbert space



② Entanglement: (PRINCIPLE 2)

means $\mathcal{H}(M_1, l_1) \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathcal{H}(M_2, l_2)$
 $= \mathcal{H}(M_1, l_1) \otimes \mathcal{H}(M_2, l_2)$

③ Locality (path integral)



$$\mathcal{H}(M', \ell') = \bigoplus_{x \in \mathcal{d}} \mathcal{H}(M, (\ell', x, x^*))$$

(Hilbert space of system is sum of H.S. of its histories)

4) Schrödinger :

$$U_t |\psi(0)\rangle = |\psi(t)\rangle$$

U_t unitary

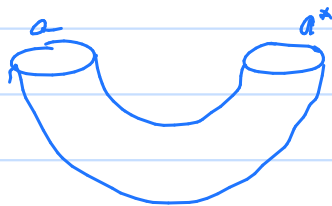
(time evolution has to be unitary)

(Only care about effective systems)

More local axioms:

$$\mathcal{H}\left(\text{annulus}_{a,b}\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & a \neq b^* \\ \mathbb{C} & a = b^* \end{cases}$$

\mathcal{L} has an involution $*$, $0^* = 0$
particle / anti-particle duality



$$\mathcal{H}\left(\text{disk}^a\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & a \neq 0 \\ \mathbb{C} & a = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{H}\left(\text{pair of pants}_{a,b,c}\right) = \mathbb{C}^{N_{ab}^c}$$

$$\mathcal{H}(-M) = \mathcal{H}(M)^\perp$$

\downarrow
M with opposite orientation

Upshot: QM + surfaces with ∂
are modelled by (2+1) TQFTs
(Synder's talks)

Example: ① $\mathcal{L} = \{0, 1\}$
 $0^* = 0 \Rightarrow 1^* = 1$
 $N_{11}^1 = 1$
 $N_{01}^1 = 1 \dots$

② Fibonacci

$\mathcal{L} = \{0, 1, 2\}$ $1^* = 1, 2^* = 1$
 $N_{11}^2 = 1$ $N_{22}^1 = N_{22}^2 = 0$
 $N_{11}^1 = 0$

} we have
complete
symmetry in
 a, b, c in this
examples