

Quantum Tunneling Effect  
of Topological Order  
and Topological Quantum Computation

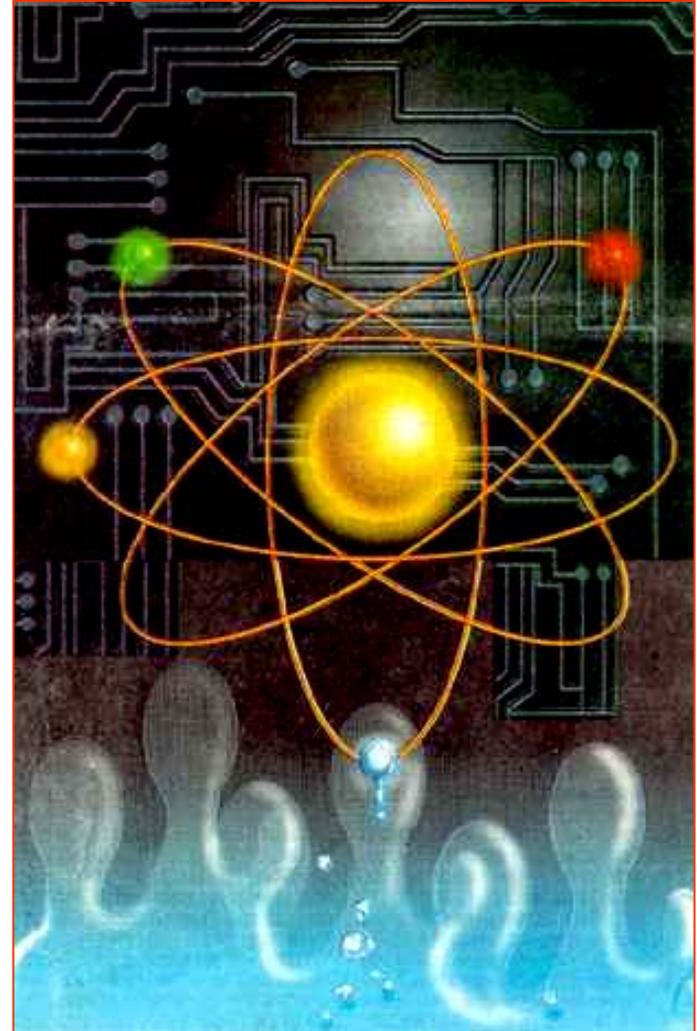
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# Outline

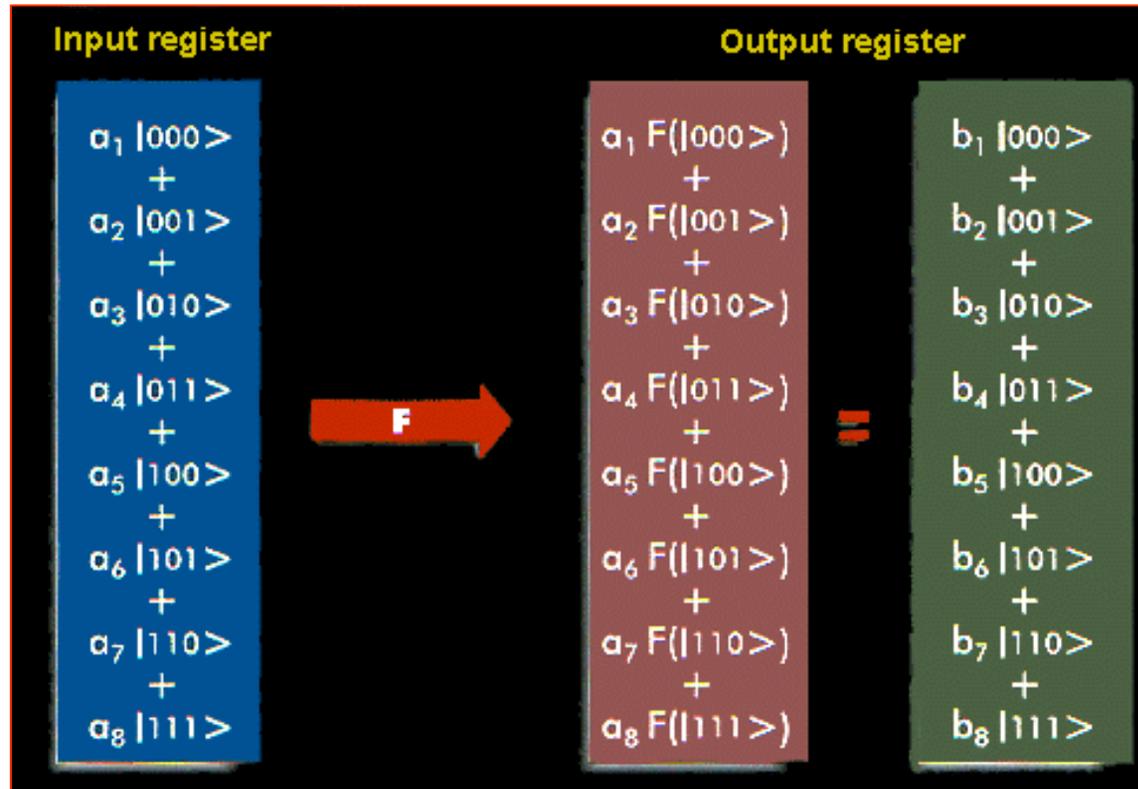
- **Quantum computation and topological quantum computation (TQC)**
- **$Z_2$  topological order and topological degeneracy**
- **Quantum tunneling effect of topological order**
- **TQC from quantum tunneling effect**

# I. Quantum Computing

- **Quantum computers are predicted to utilize quantum states to perform memory and to process tasks.**



# Why Is This Helpful?

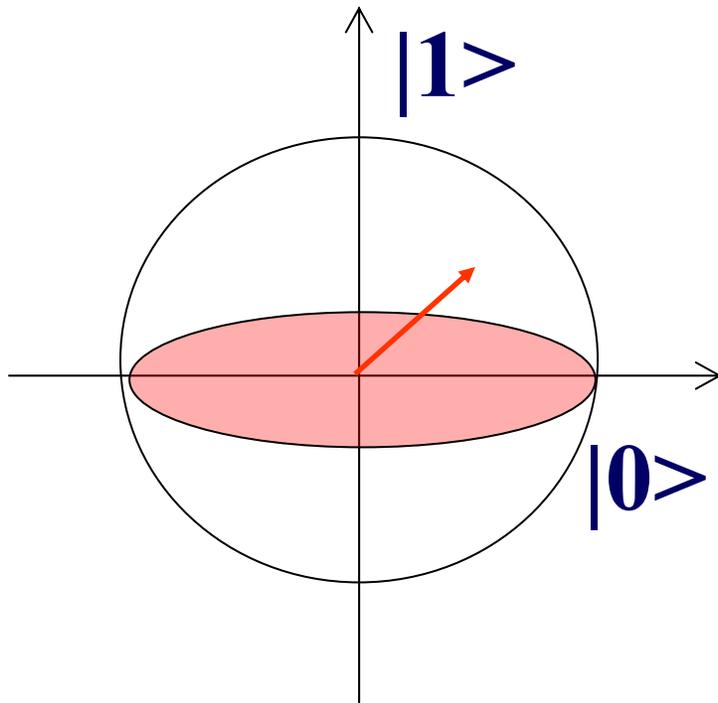


- Multiple computations simultaneously
- Computing power is exponential

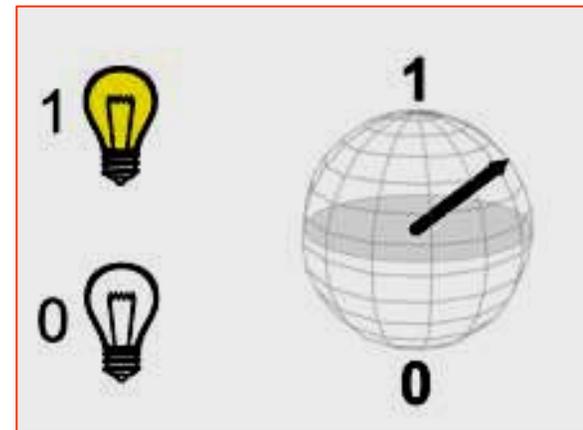
# **Five criteria for physical implementation of a quantum computer - D. P. DiVincenzo**

- **Well defined extendible qubit - stable memory**
- **Preparable in the “000...” state**
- **Long decoherence time ( $>10^4$  operation time)**
- **Universal set of gate operations**
- **Single-quantum measurements**

# Quantum bit - Qubit



- Basis states  $|0\rangle$ ,  $|1\rangle$
- Arbitrary state:  
 $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$ ,  
 $\alpha, \beta$  complex,  
 $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$ .



# Physical qubits

- **Nuclear spin = orientation of atom's nucleus in magnetic field:  $\uparrow = |0\rangle$ ,  $\downarrow = |1\rangle$ .**
- **Photons in a cavity:  
No photon =  $|0\rangle$ , one photon =  $|1\rangle$**
- ...

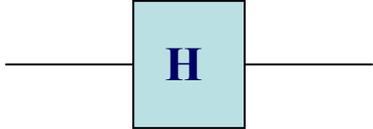
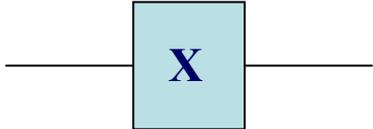
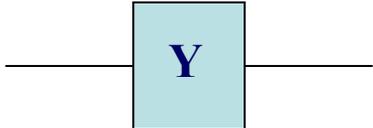
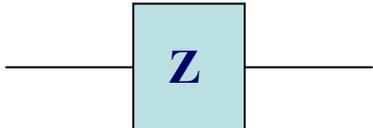
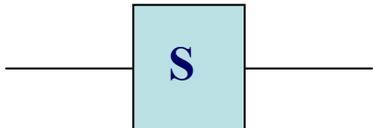
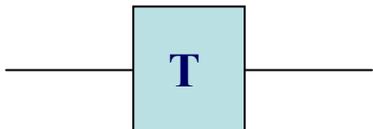
# Quantum Logic Gates

An arbitrary unitary matrix may be decomposed as

$$e^{i\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\beta/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\beta/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\nu}{2} & -\sin \frac{\nu}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\nu}{2} & \cos \frac{\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\delta/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\delta/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

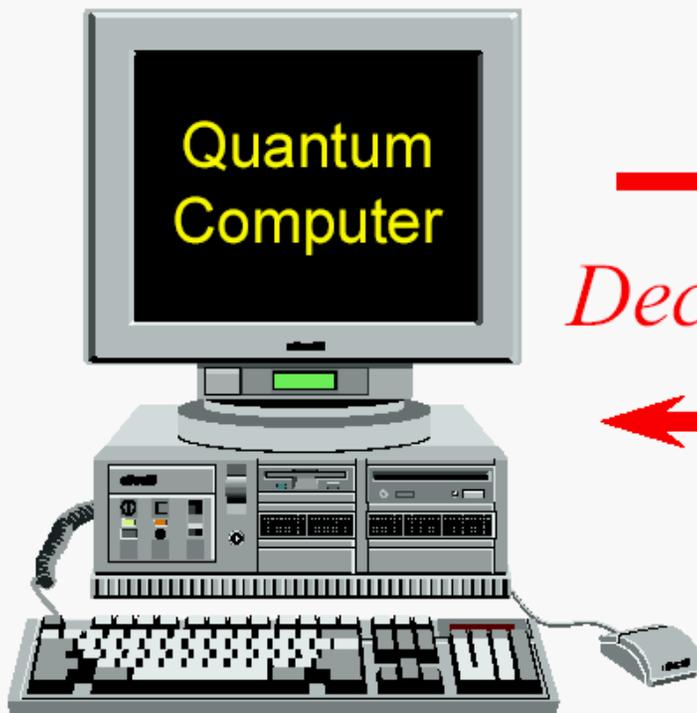
where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\nu$ , and  $\delta$  are real-valued.

# Frequently Used Gates

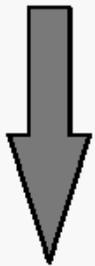
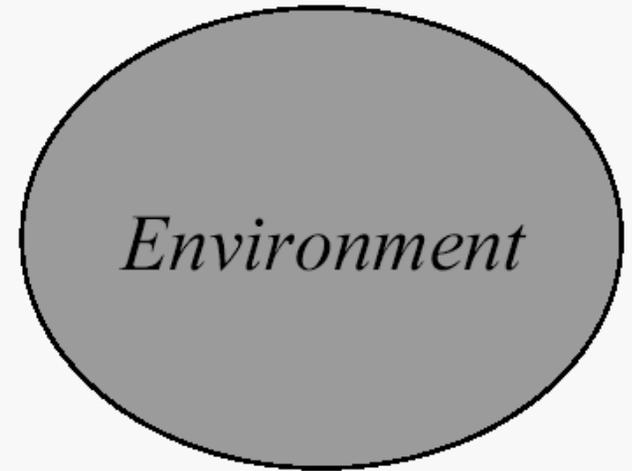
- **Hadamard:**   $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- **Pauli-X:**   $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- **Pauli-Y:**   $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- **Pauli-Z:**   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- **Phase:**   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}$
- $\pi/8$ :   $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{bmatrix}$

# Physical systems actively considered for quantum computer implementation

- **Liquid-state NMR**
- **NMR spin lattices**
- **Linear ion-trap spectroscopy**
- **Neutral-atom optical lattices**
- **Cavity QED + atoms**
- **Linear optics with single photons**
- **Nitrogen vacancies in diamond**
- **Electrons on liquid He**
- **Josephson junctions arrays**
- **Spin spectroscopies, impurities in semiconductors**
- **Coupled quantum dots**
- **...**



*Decoherence*



**ERROR!**

If quantum information is cleverly encoded, it *can* be protected from decoherence and other potential sources of error. Intricate quantum systems *can* be accurately controlled.

# Solution?

- Since the **topological properties** is not changed by actions such as stretching, squashing and bending but not by cutting or joining, it prevents small perturbations from the environment.

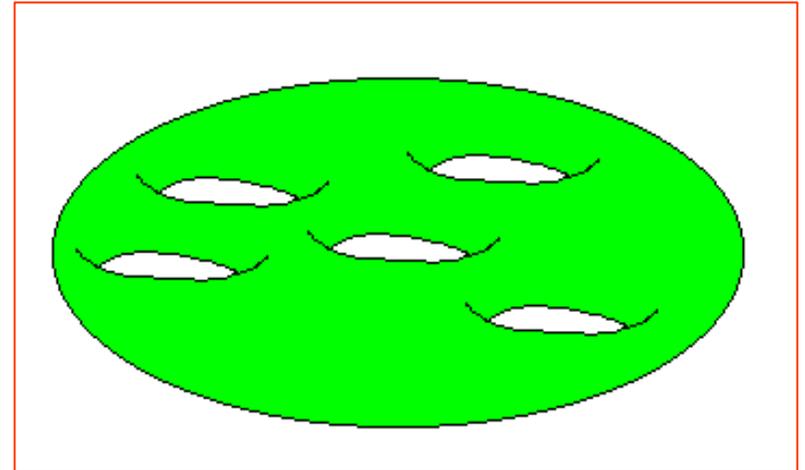
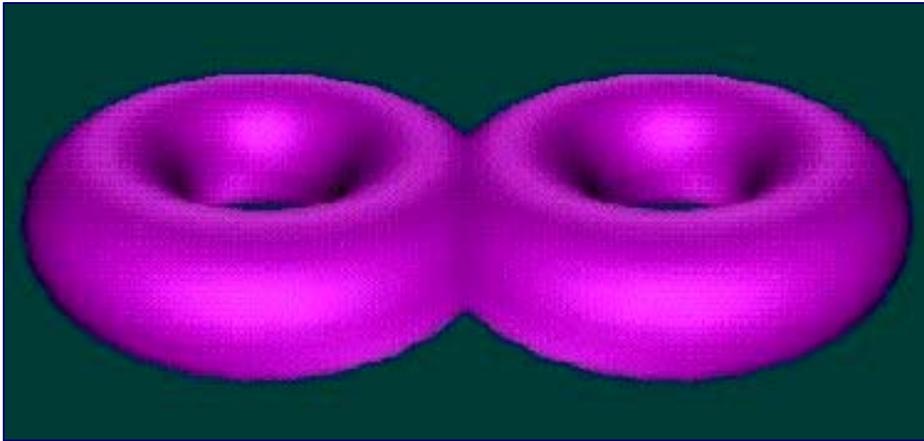


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# Genus

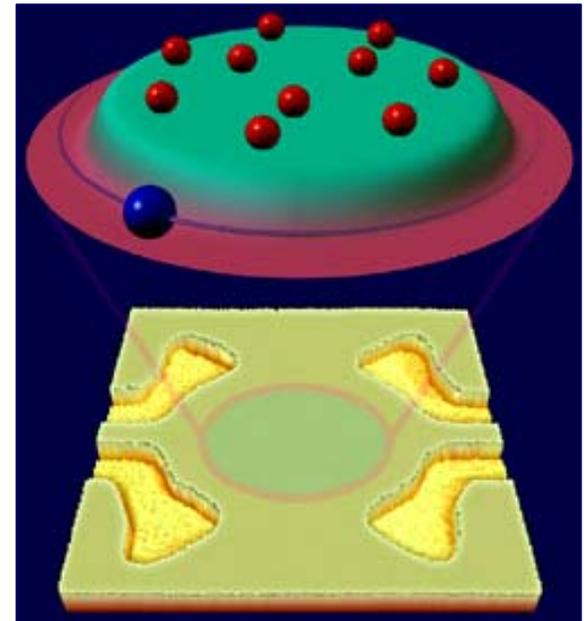
- The number of holes is called “genus” in topology.



# Topological Quantum Computer

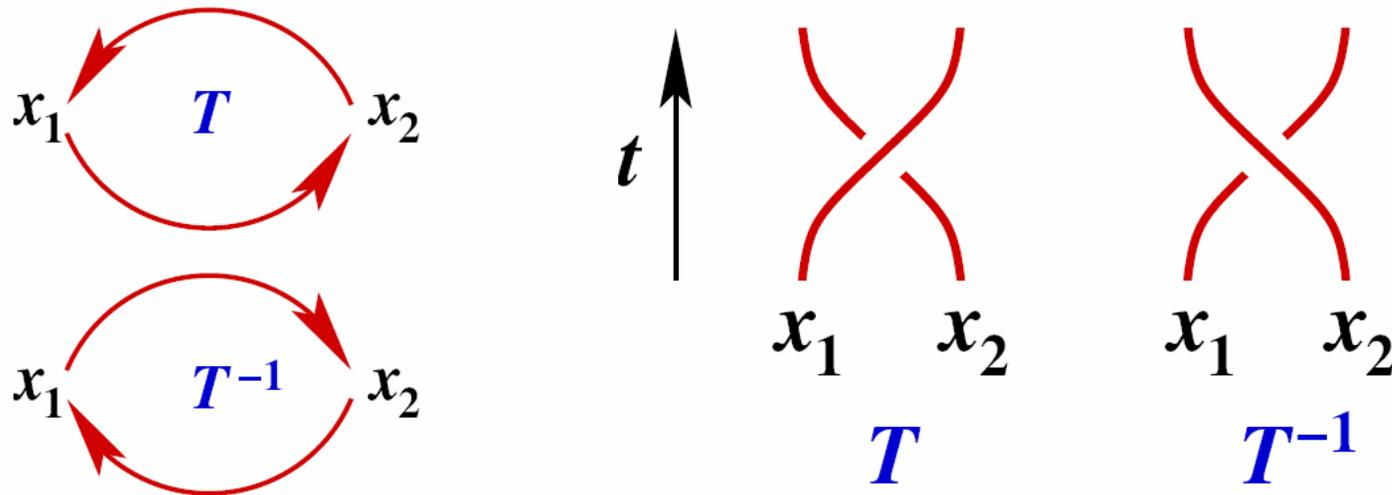
## Anyon

- Ordinarily, every particle in quantum theory is neatly classified as either a boson--a particle happy to fraternize with any number of identical particles in a single quantum state--or a fermion.
- Frank Wilczek used the term anyons in 1982 to describe such particles, since they can have "any" phase when particles are interchanged.



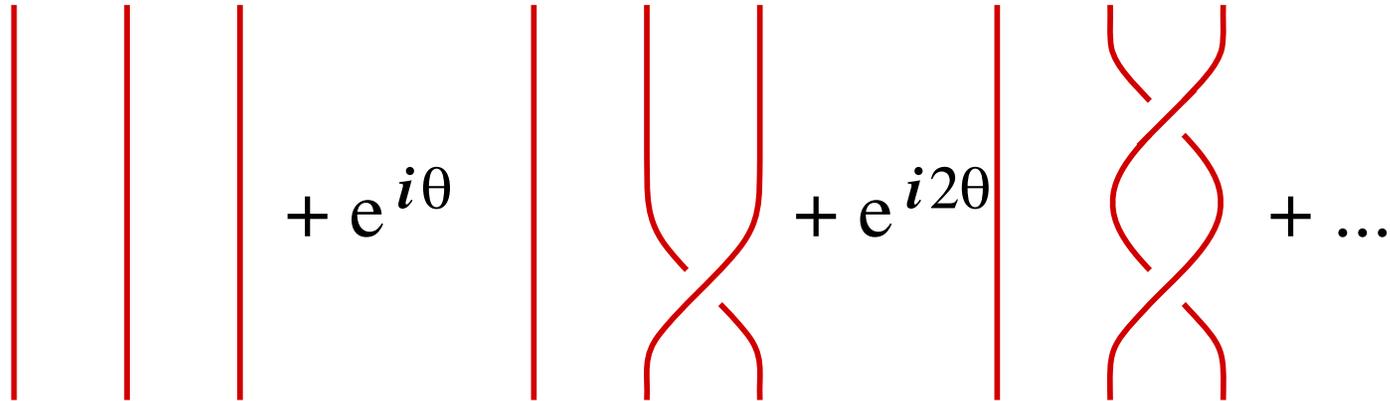
Fractional quantum  
Hall states

# Exchange statistics in (2+1)D



- In (3+1)D,  $T^{-1} = T$ , while in (2+1)D  $T^{-1} \neq T$ !
- If  $T^{-1} = T$  then  $T^2 = 1$ , and the only types of particles are bosons and fermions.

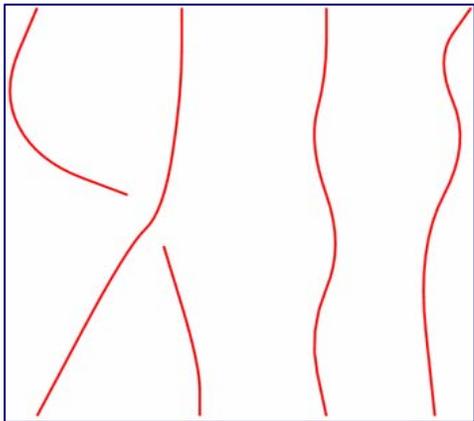
# Abelian Anyons



- These phase factors realise an Abelian anyon.
- Fractional Quantum Hall state at a filling factor  $\nu = 1/m$ .
- The ground state degeneracy on a torus:  $m$ -fold degenerate ground states for FQHE (Haldane, Rezayi '88, Wen '90).

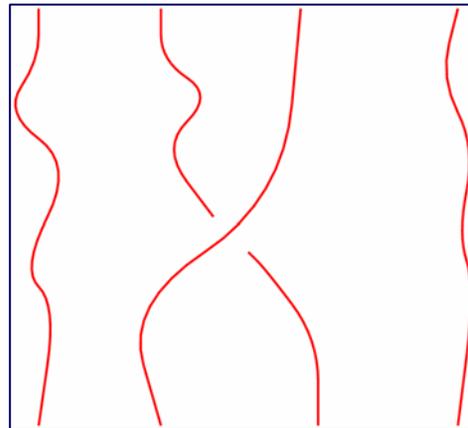
# Non-Abelian Anyons

Exchanging particles 1 and 2:



$$\psi_a \rightarrow M_{ab}^{12} \psi_b$$

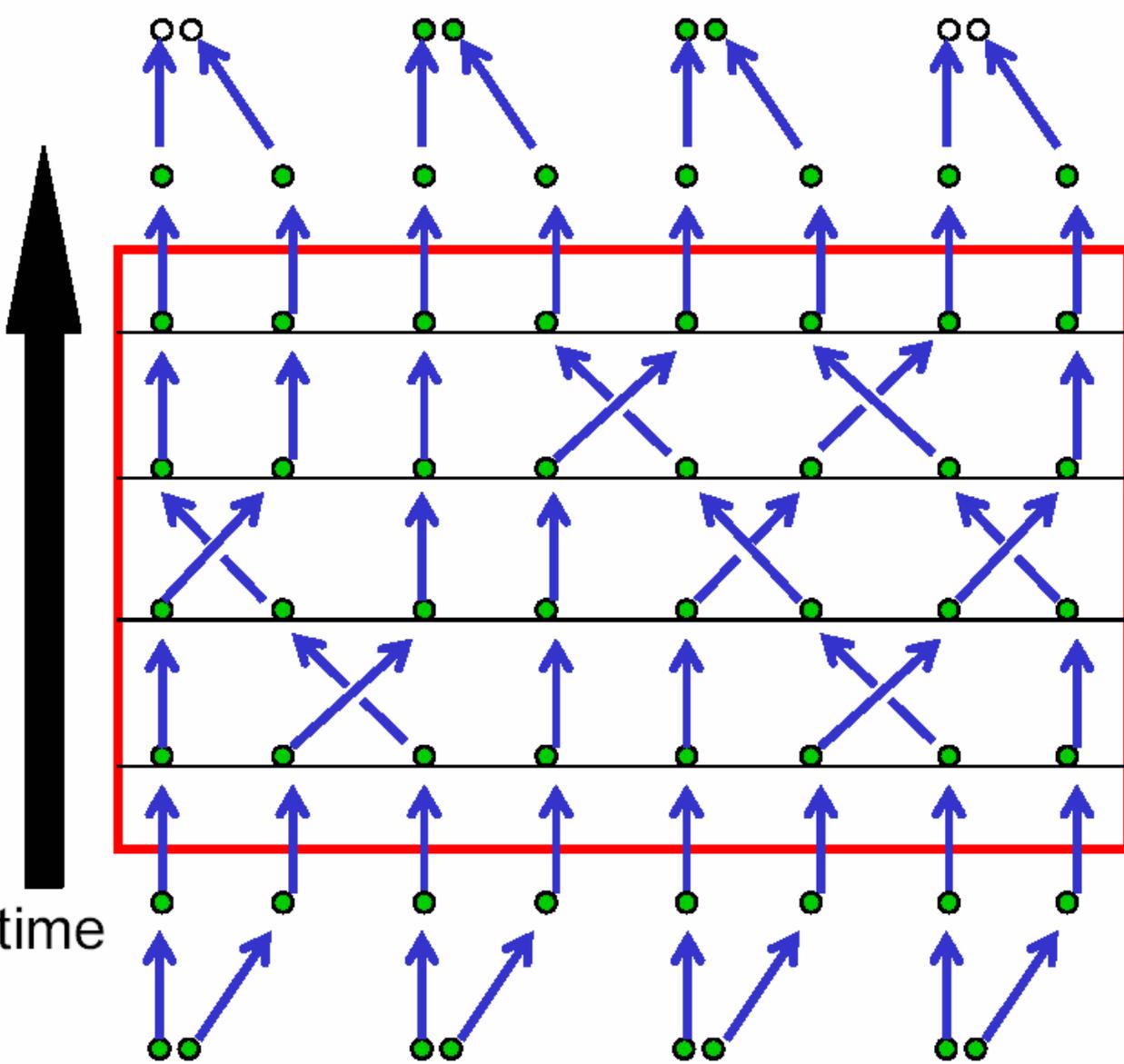
Exchanging particles 2 and 3:



$$\psi_a \rightarrow M_{ab}^{23} \psi_b$$

- Matrices  $M^{12}$  and  $M^{23}$  need not commute, hence **Non-Abelian Statistics**.
- Matrices  $M$  form a higher-dimensional representation of the braid-group.
- For fixed particle positions, we have a non-trivial multi-dimensional Hilbert space where we can store information.

# Topological quantum computation (Kitaev '97, FLW '00)



annihilate pairs?

braid

braid

braid

create pairs



Kitaev



Freedman

# Topological Quantum Computation

Computation

Physics

output

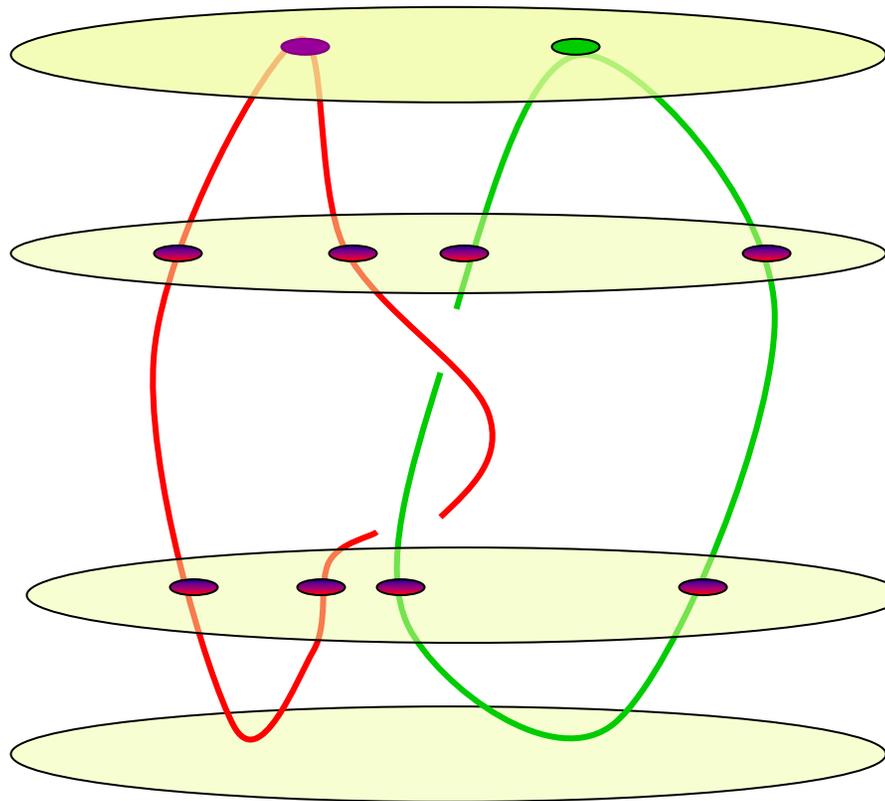
measure

apply operators

braid

initialize

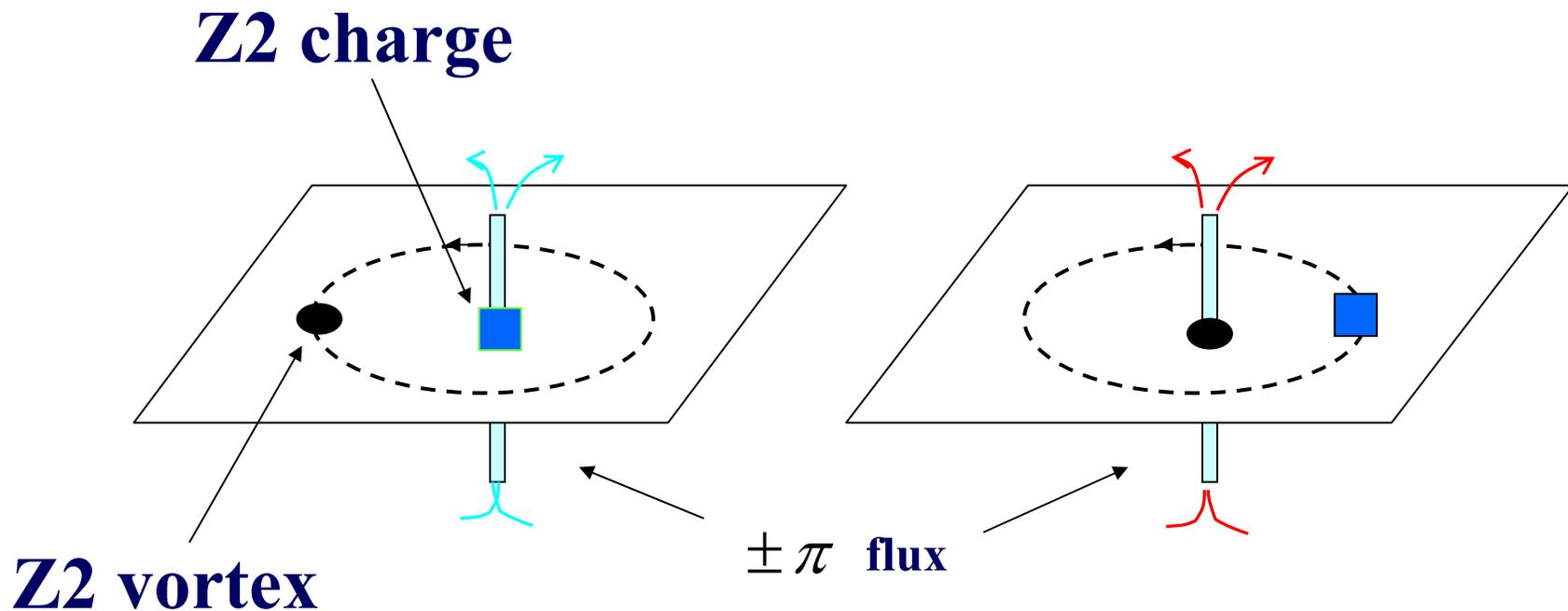
create  
particles



## II、 Introduction to $Z_2$ topological order

**2D  $Z_2$  topological orders are simplest topological state with the following three key properties :**

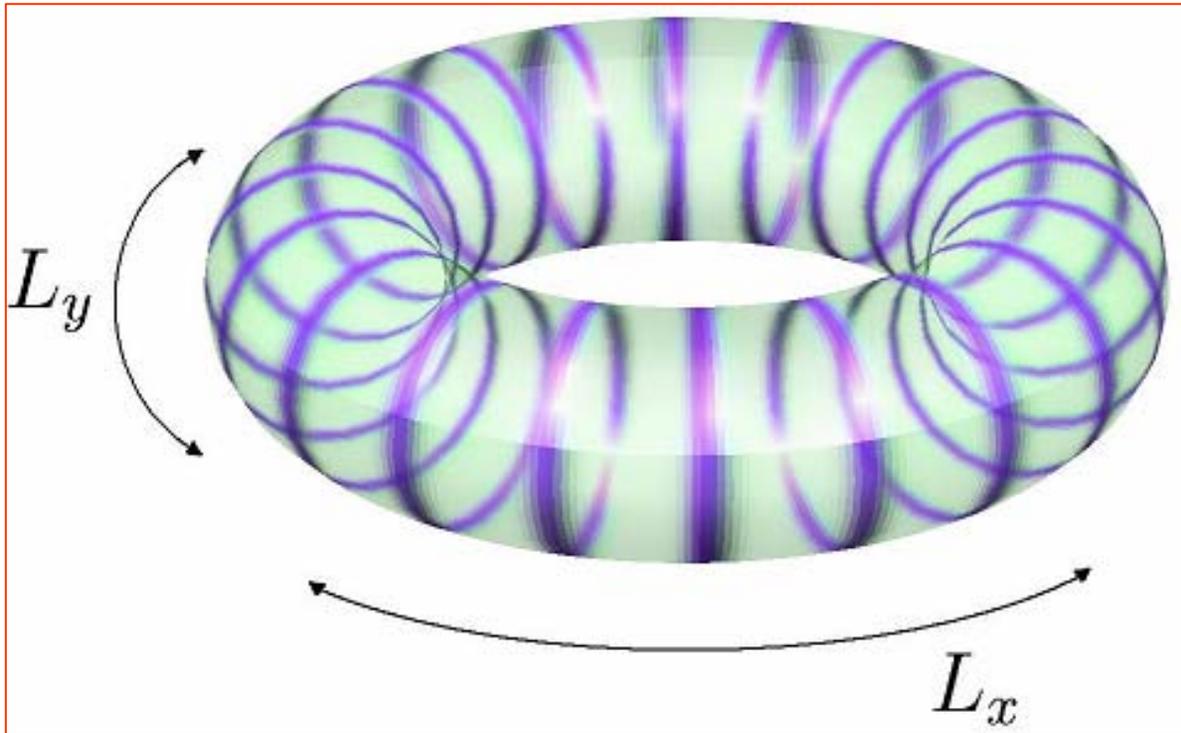
- **All excitations are gapped**
- **Stable against all perturbation**
- **Topological degeneracy**
- ***Mutual semion* statistics.**



**Mutual semion statistics**

# Topological degeneracy of $Z_2$ topological orders

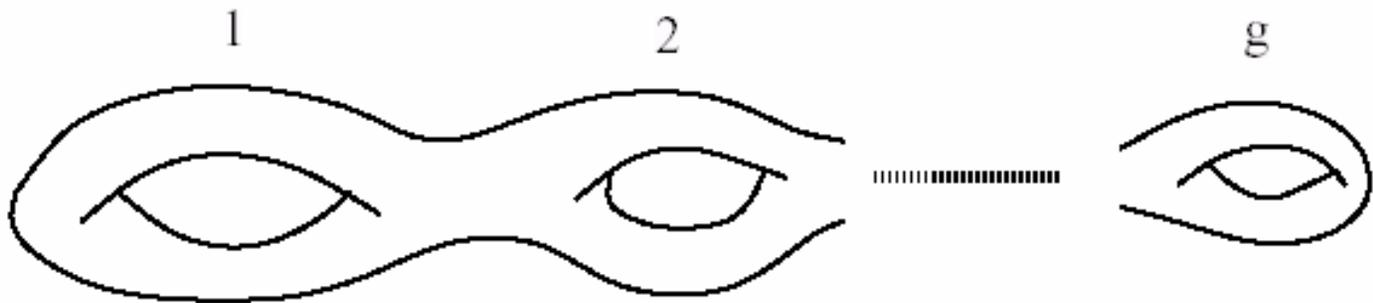
- Topological degeneracy on a torus is always 4



- The topological degeneracy for the  $Z_2$  topological orders is determined by the genus of the Riemann surface,

$$N = 4^g$$

- $g$  is the genus



# Topological qubit

## Topological qubit

A. Yu. Kitaev, *Annals Phys.* 303, 2 (2003) [quant-ph/9707021]

$|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  are the ground-states of a system

which are degenerate because of the (non-trivial) topology.

$$|\Psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

## Advantage

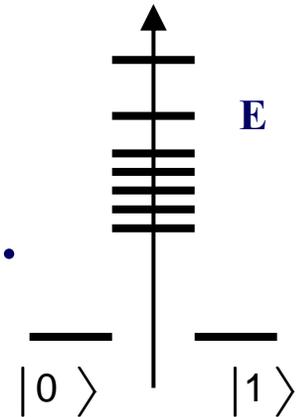
The two states are *locally* indistinguishable

$\Rightarrow$  no local perturbation can introduce decoherence.

Ioffe, &, *Nature* 415, 503 (2002).

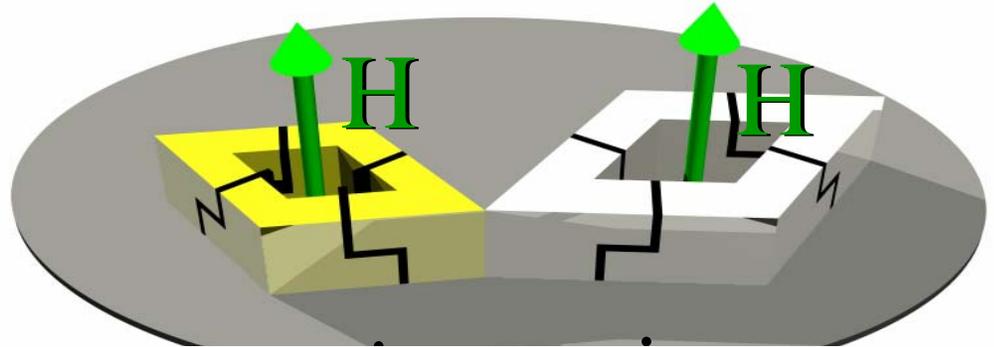
## Questions

How can it be initialized, manipulated and read with *local* couplings ?

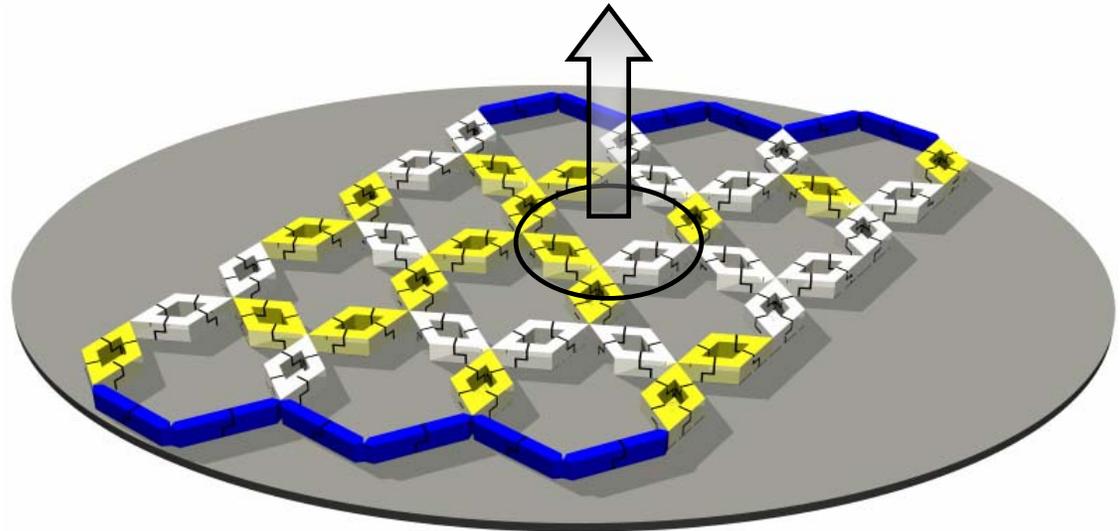


# Topological qubits in Josephson junction arrays : realization of RK model on a triangular lattice

$$H_{\text{KT}} = \sum t \left( \left| \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array} \right| + \text{h.c.} \right) \\ + \sum t' \left( \left| \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array} \right| + \text{h.c.} \right) \\ + \sum t'' \left( \left| \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \\ \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array} \right| + \text{h.c.} \right)$$



**Infinite protection  
against weak noise  
in thermodynamic  
limit**



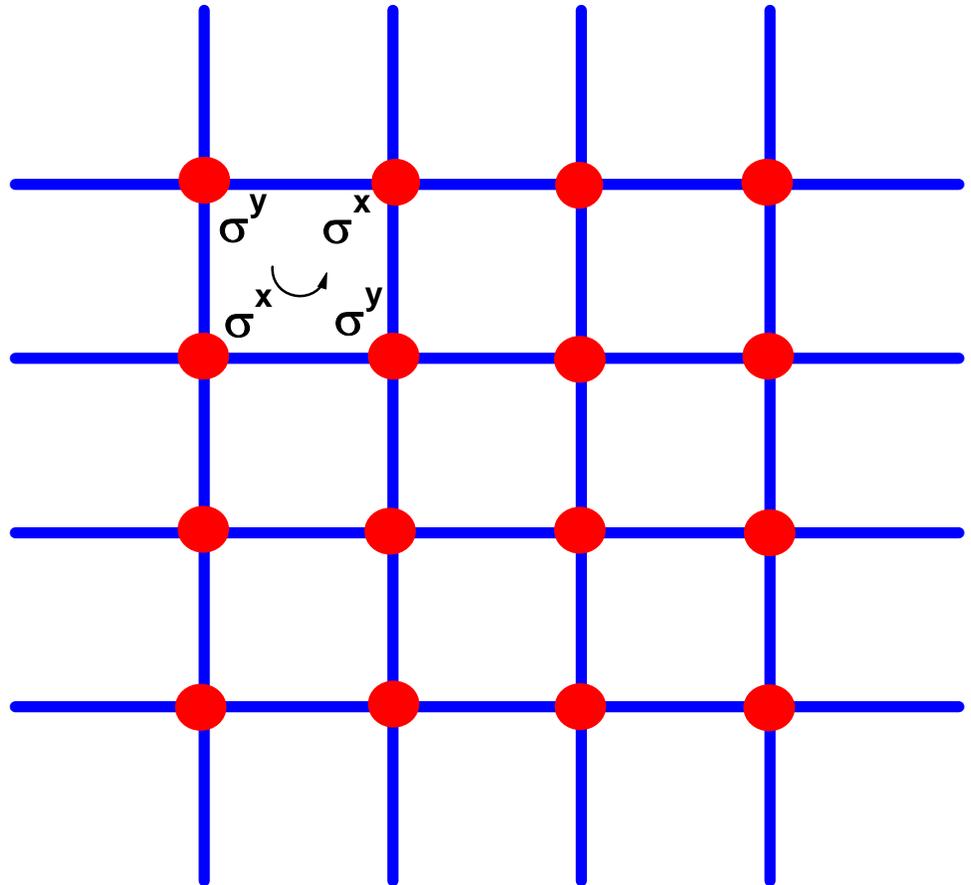
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# An exact solved model of Z2 topological order - Wen-plaquette model

$$H = -g \sum_i \hat{F}_i,$$

$$\hat{F}_i = \sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_x}^y \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_x+\hat{e}_y}^x \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_y}^y$$

X. G. Wen, PRL. 90,  
016803 (2003)



# The energy gap

$$H = -g \sum_i \hat{F}_i, \quad \hat{F}_i = \sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_x}^y \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_x+\hat{e}_y}^x \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_y}^y$$

- For  $g > 0$ , the ground state is

$$F_i = 1$$

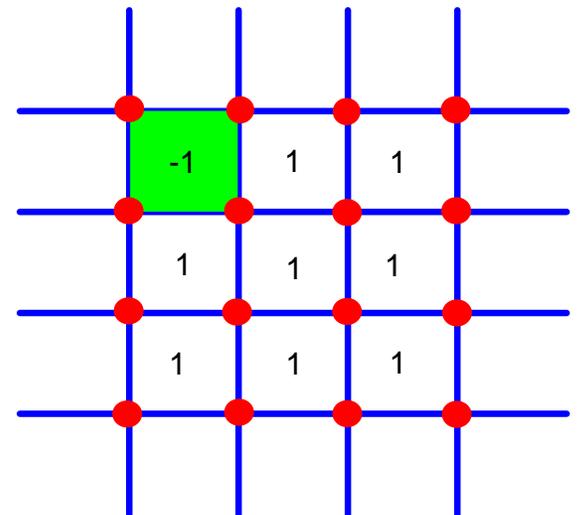
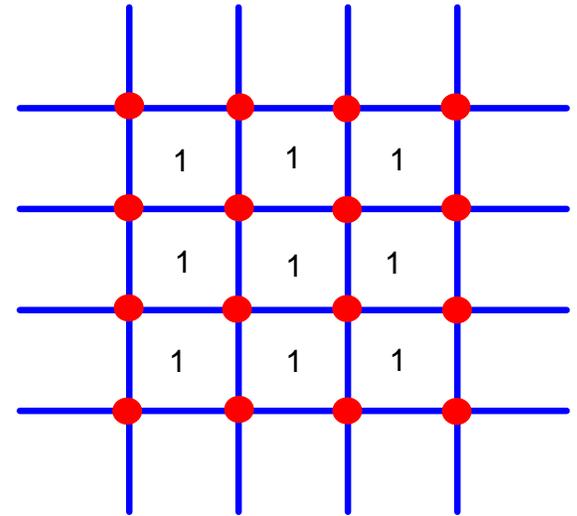
The ground state energy is  $E_0 = Ng$

The elementary excitation is

$$F_i = -1$$

The energy gap for it becomes

$$E_1 - E_0 = 2g, \quad \text{for } F_i = -1$$



# The topological degeneracy on different lattices

❖ The topological degeneracy depends on the lattice number  $L_x \times L_y$  :  
even-by-even, even-by-odd, odd-by-even, odd-by-odd.

| Even<br>by<br>even | Even<br>by odd | Odd<br>by<br>even | Odd<br>by<br>odd |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 4                  | 2              | 2                 | 2                |

S. P. Kou, M. Levin,  
X. G. Wen, 0803.2300

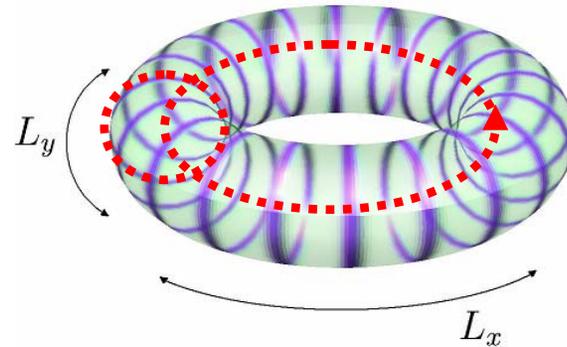
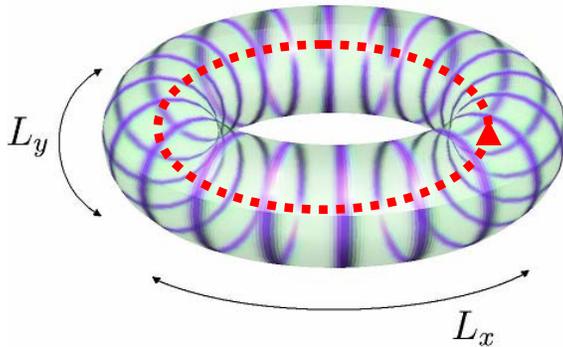
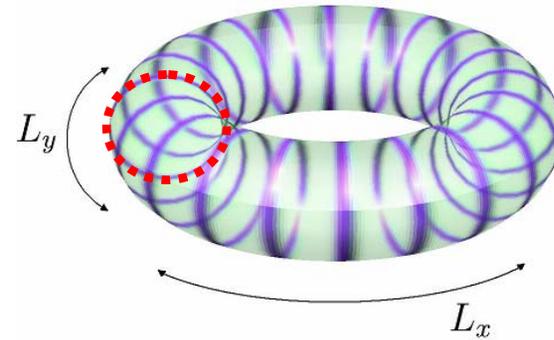
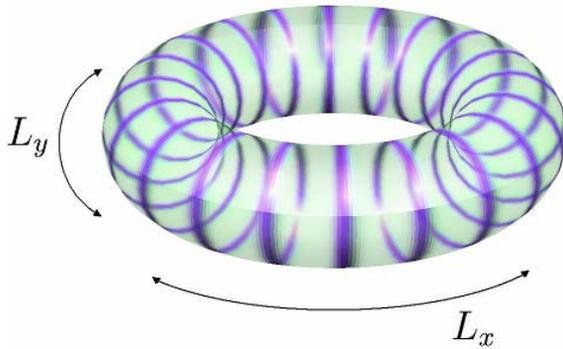
# Topological characters of $Z_2$ vortex (charge)

- The existence of  $Z_2$  vortex (charge) :

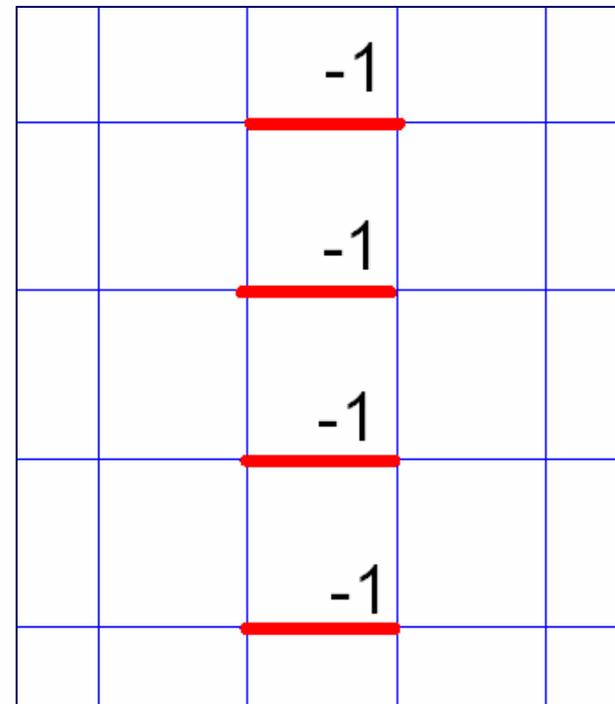
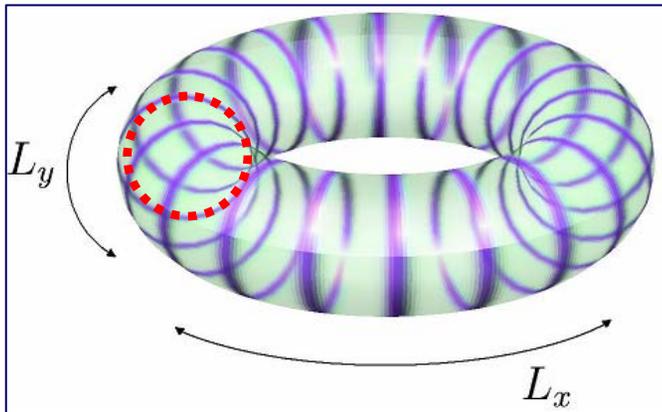
$Z_2$  vortex (charge) is defined as a minus sign of hopping term of fermions on one plaquette (or half line of minus sign )

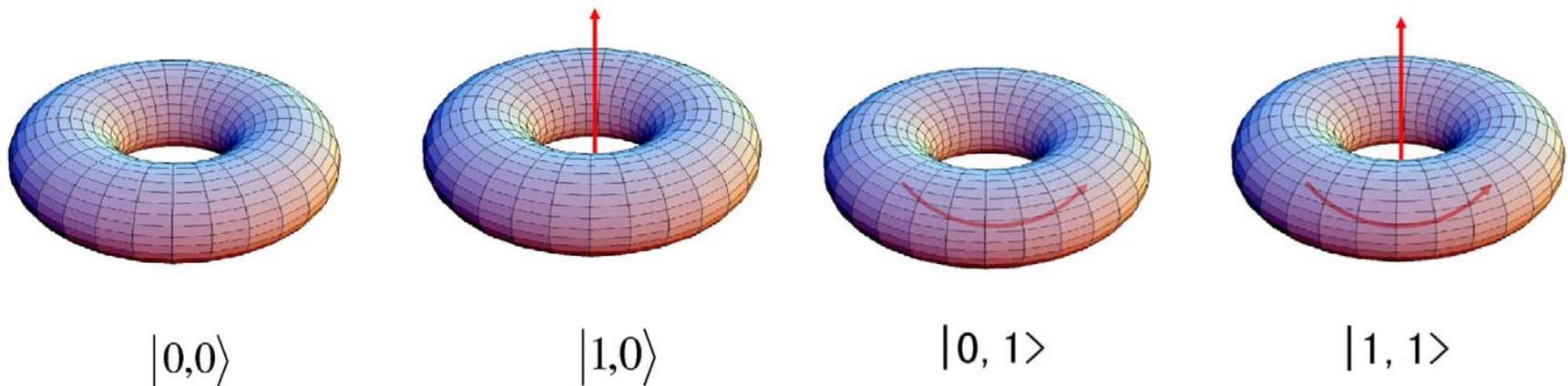


# Ground states with 4-fold degeneracy



**A line of negative sign along y-direction is equal to the anti-periodic boundary condition along x-direction**





拓扑序的简并度是 4 指的是同一个能量对应四个不同的态，上图中用  $\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n} = 0, 1$  来标记穿过环面上两个空洞的  $\pi$  通量的数目来表示不同的态。

$$\psi(x, y) = (-1)^m \psi(x, y + L_y), \quad \psi(x, y) = (-1)^n \psi(x + L_x, y).$$

# III. Quantum tunneling effect of Z2 topological order

## 1. Quantum tunneling effects

**Gamow, Barrier penetration**

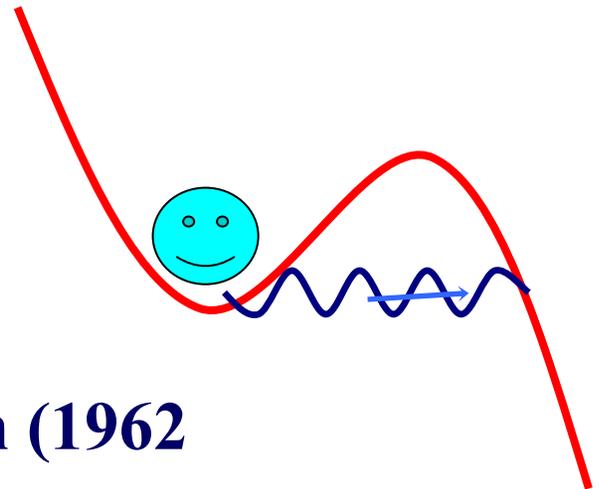
- **Nuclear Energy**

**Nuclear fusion – Hydrogen Bomb**

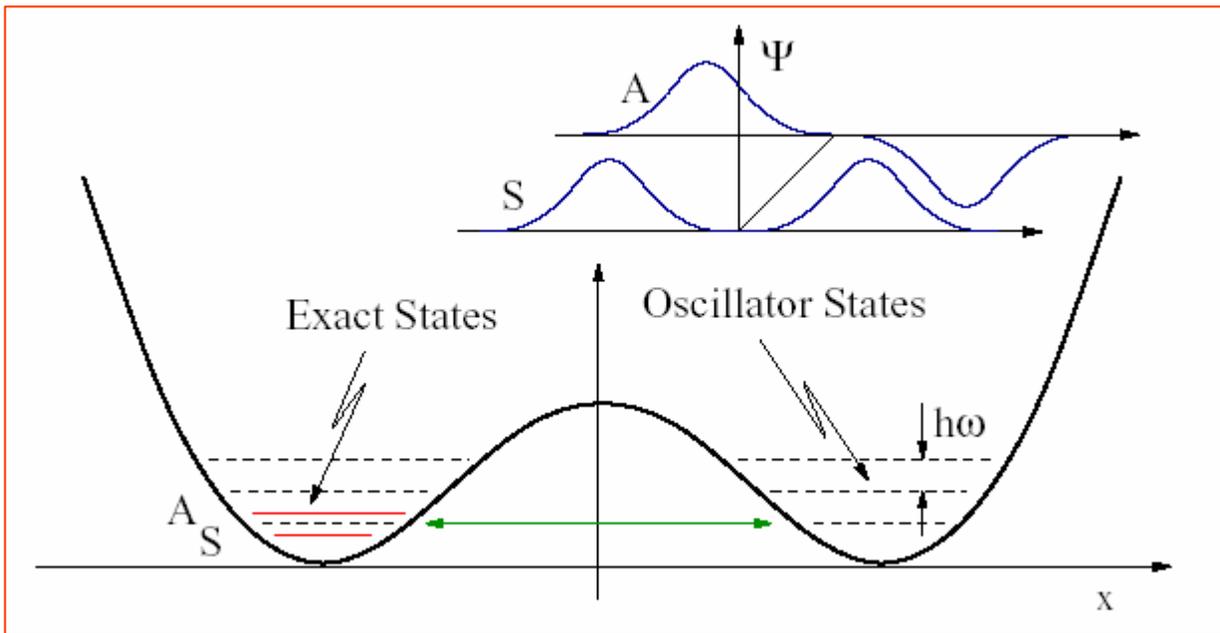
- **Josephson junction – D. Josephson (1962)**

- **Macroscopic quantum phenomena ( MQP ) of nano-magnetic particle**

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# Quantum tunneling effect and level splitting of ground states in Double-Well



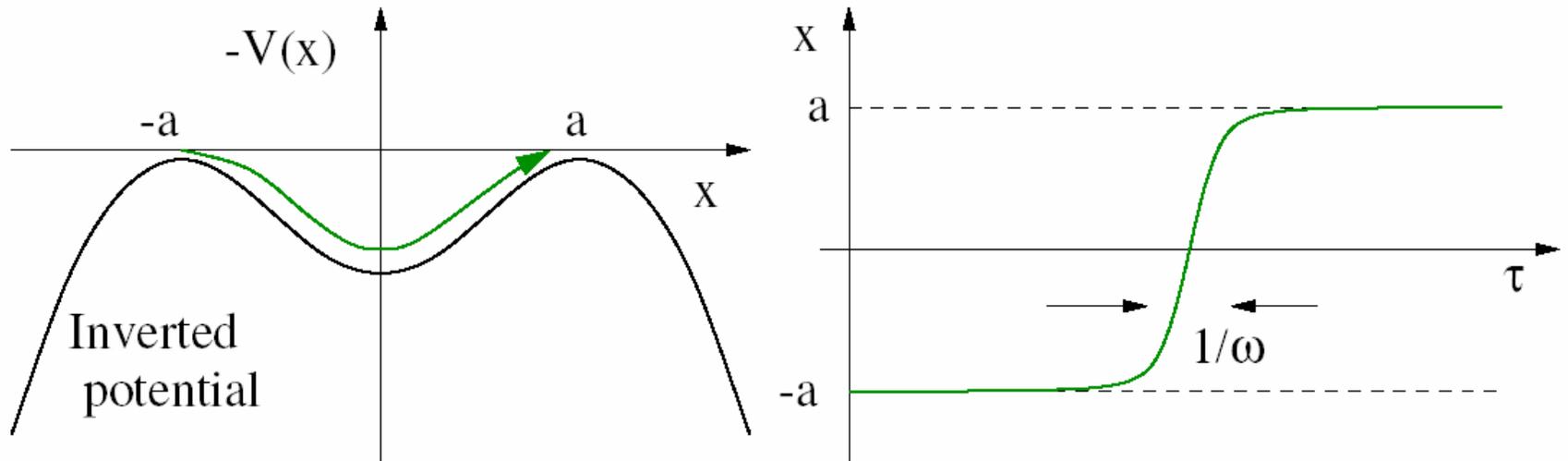
$$\Delta E = \frac{\hbar\omega}{\pi} e^{-S/\hbar}$$

$$S = \int_b^a \sqrt{2mV(x)} dx$$

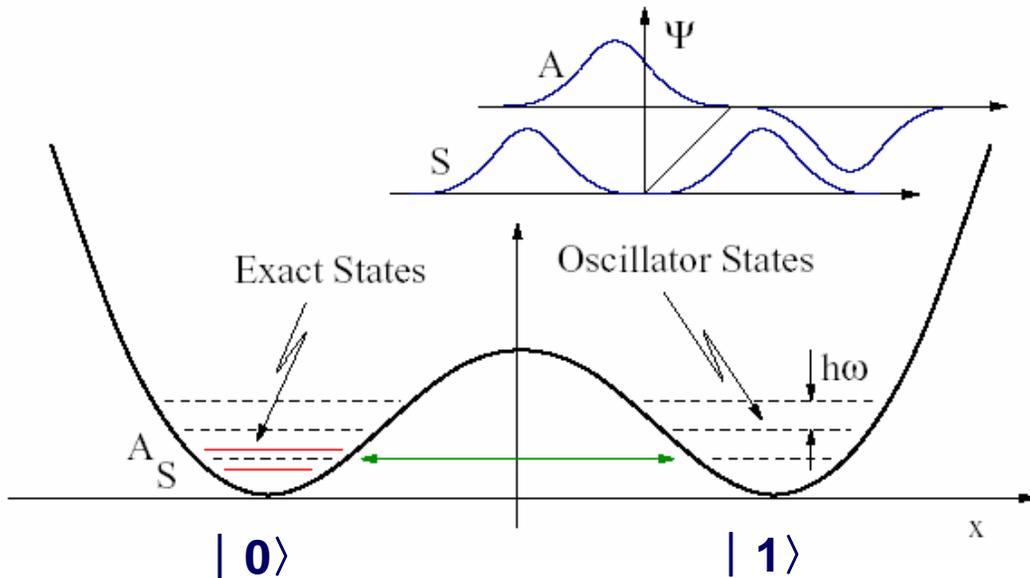
$S$  : Euclidean action

$\omega$  : small oscillator frequency near the bottom of potential well

# The action of instantons and quantum tunneling effects



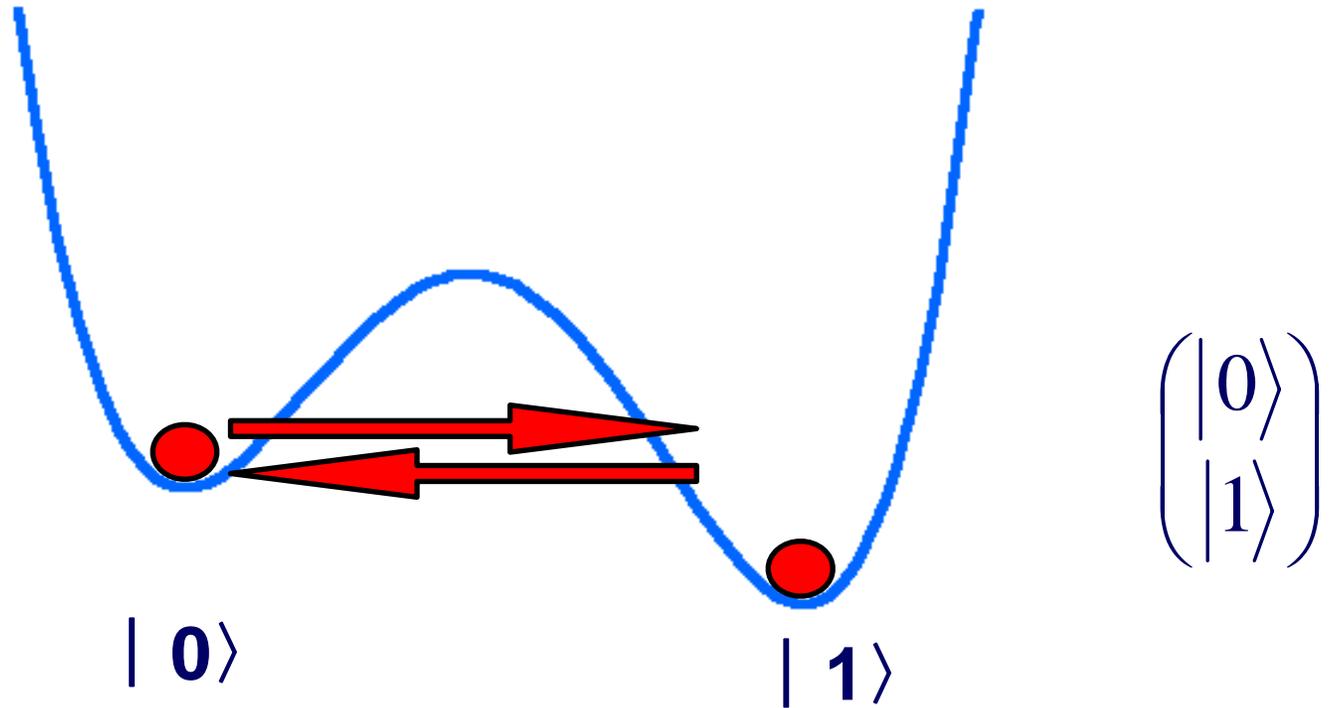
# Pseudo-spin operator of quantum tunneling process



We use  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  to denote the ground states in two wells.

Quantum tunneling process  $|0\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$   
and  $|1\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle$  can be described by a  
pseudo-spin operator  $\tau^x$

# Effective spin model of a general quantum tunneling process

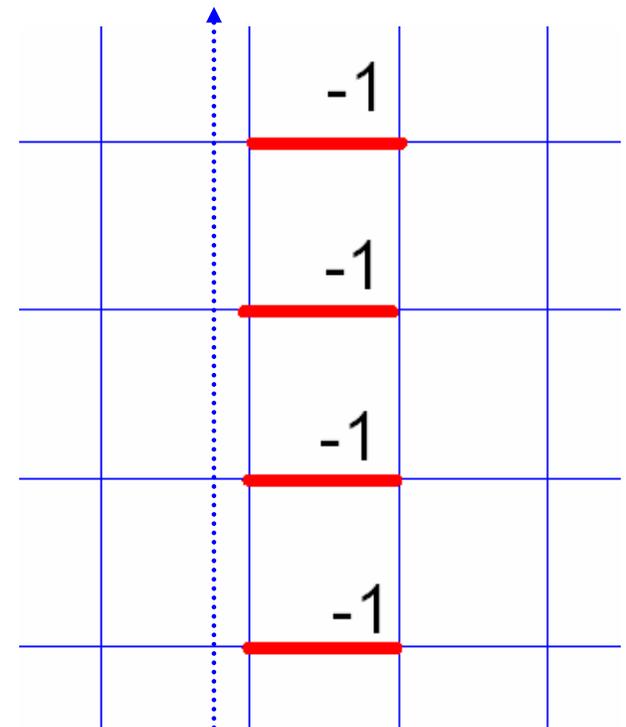
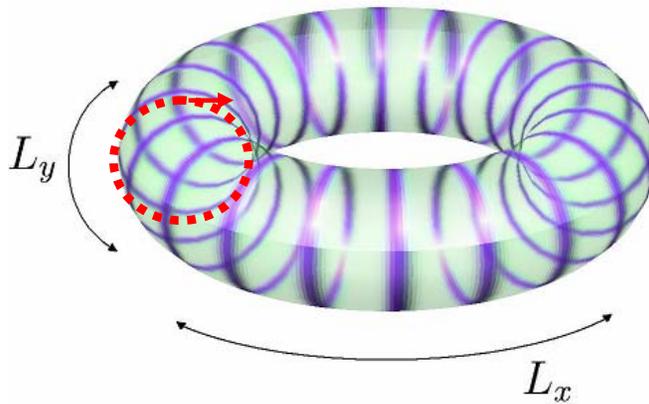


$$H_{eff} = a\tau^x + b\tau^z$$

$$b \propto \Delta E$$

## 2. Quantum tunneling effects in $Z_2$ topological order

**Tunneling processes : a virtual quasi-particle moves around the torus before annihilated with the other one.**



# Tunneling process of $Z_2$ vortex along x-direction

$$|0,0\rangle \rightarrow |0,1\rangle$$

$$|1,0\rangle \rightarrow |1,1\rangle$$

$$|0,1\rangle \rightarrow |0,0\rangle$$

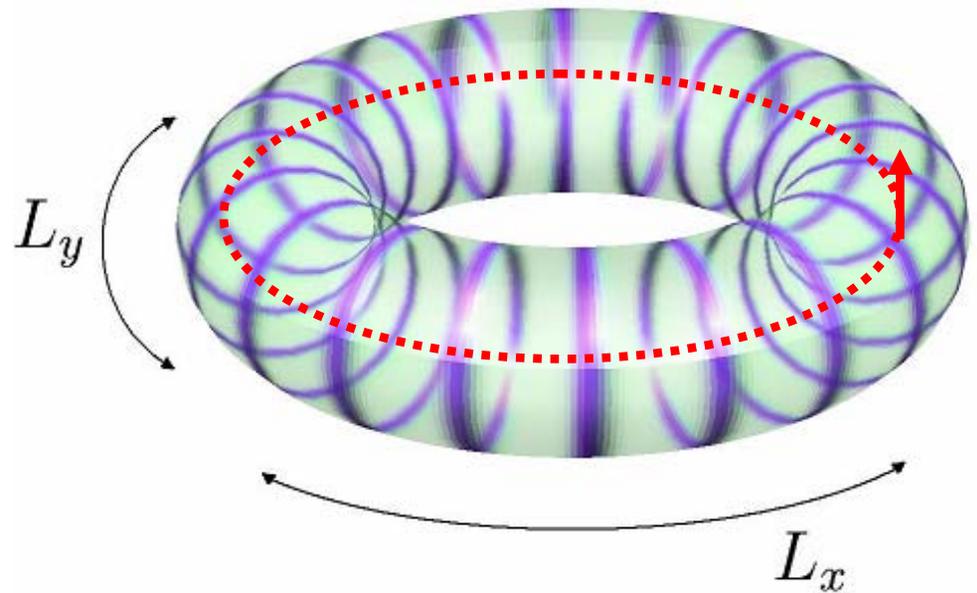
$$|1,1\rangle \rightarrow |1,0\rangle$$

*pseudo-spin*

*operator*

$$\tau_1^x \otimes 1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} |00\rangle \\ |10\rangle \\ |01\rangle \\ |11\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$



# Effective operators denote 9 tunneling processes

|            | Z2 vortex                   | Z2 charge                   | Fermion                     |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>x</b>   | $\tau_1^x \otimes 1$        | $1 \otimes \tau_2^x$        | $\tau_1^x \otimes \tau_2^x$ |
| <b>y</b>   | $\tau_1^x \otimes \tau_2^z$ | $\tau_1^z \otimes \tau_2^x$ | $\tau_1^y \otimes \tau_2^y$ |
| <b>x+y</b> | $1 \otimes \tau_2^z$        | $\tau_1^z \otimes 1$        | $\tau_1^z \otimes \tau_2^z$ |

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} |00\rangle \\ |10\rangle \\ |01\rangle \\ |11\rangle \end{array} \right)$$

# Calculate the ground state energy splitting from higher order (degenerate) perturbation approach

The instanton action can be derived by

$$\delta E_{ij}^{(s)} = \langle \varphi_i | \hat{H} \left( \frac{\hat{H}}{\hat{H}_0 - E_0} \right)^{s-1} | \varphi_j \rangle$$

$$S = L \ln \left( \frac{t}{E_0} \right)$$

$S$  : Euclidean action

$L$  : Hopping length of quasi-particles

$t$  : Hopping integral

$E_0$  : Excited energy of quasi-particles

# Effective Hamiltonian

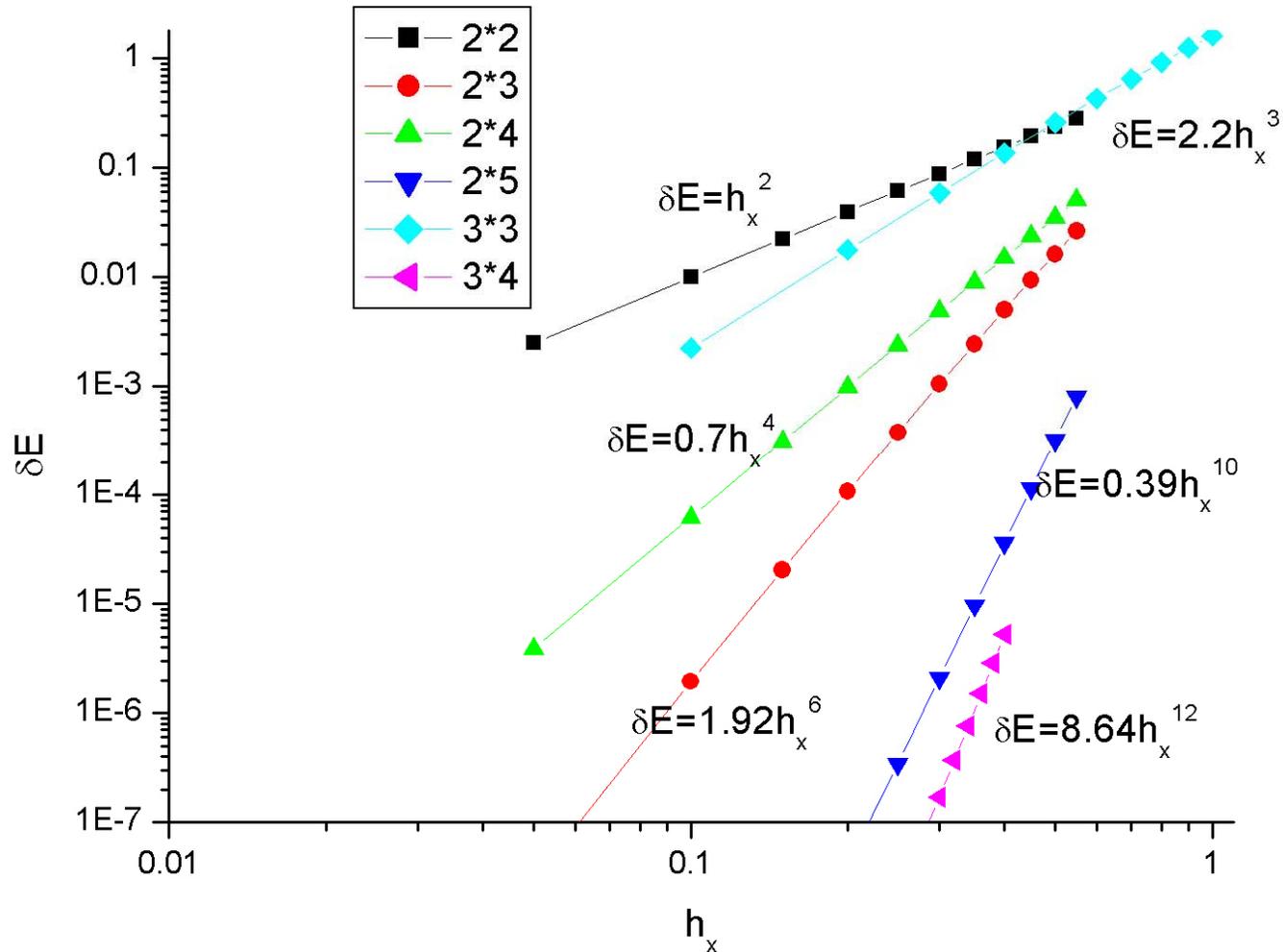
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = J_{xx} \tau_1^x \cdot \tau_2^x + J_{yy} \tau_1^y \cdot \tau_2^y + J_{zz} \tau_1^z \cdot \tau_2^z + J_{zx} \tau_1^z \cdot \tau_2^x$$

$$+ J_{xz} \tau_1^x \cdot \tau_2^z + \tilde{h}_1^x \tau_1^x + \tilde{h}_1^z \tau_1^z + \tilde{h}_2^x \tau_2^x + \tilde{h}_2^z \tau_2^z$$

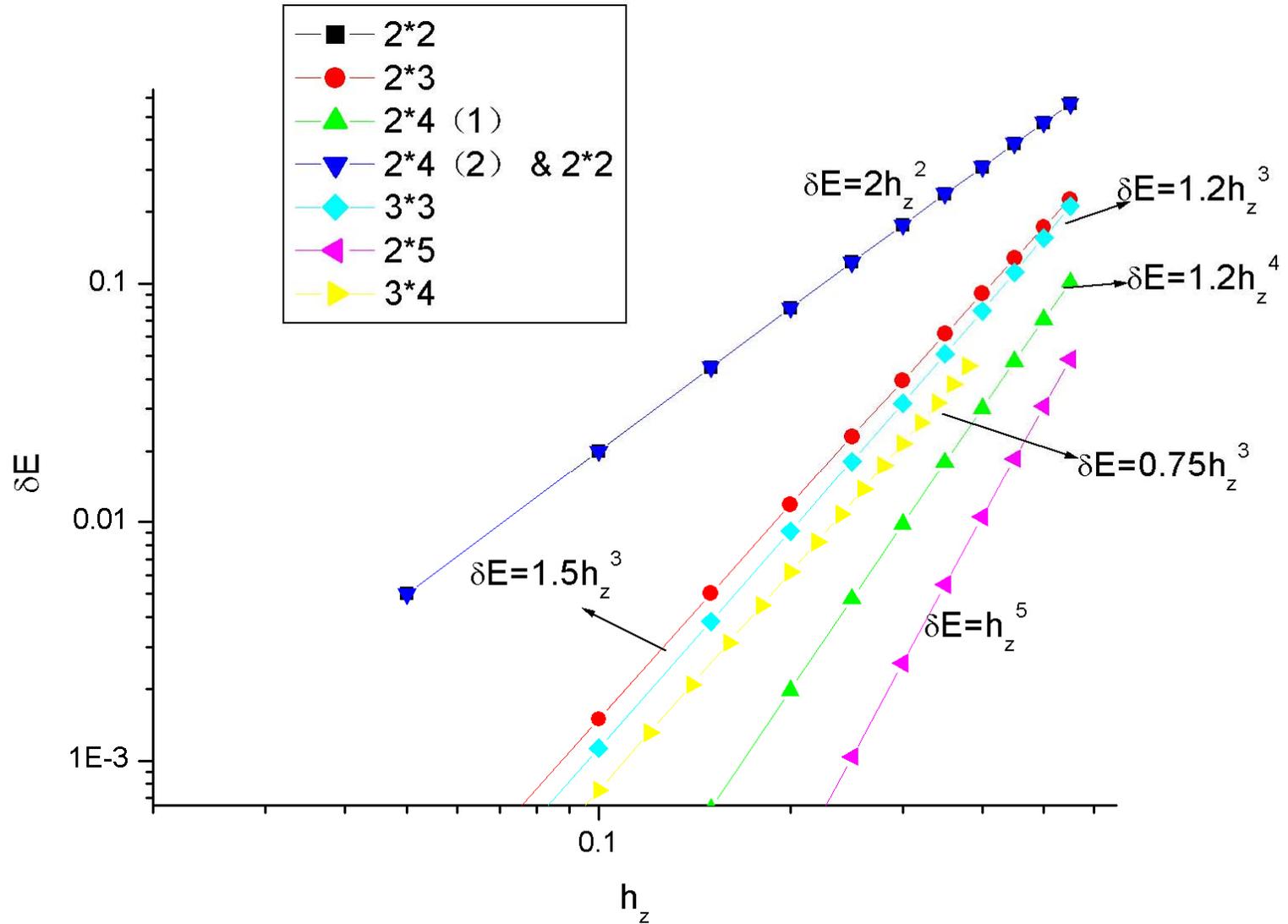
$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} = \begin{pmatrix} J_{zz} + \tilde{h}_1^z + \tilde{h}_2^z & J_{zx} + \tilde{h}_2^x & J_{xz} + \tilde{h}_1^x & J_{xx} - J_{yy} \\ J_{zx} + \tilde{h}_2^x & -J_{zz} + \tilde{h}_1^z - \tilde{h}_2^z & J_{xx} + J_{yy} & -J_{xz} + \tilde{h}_1^x \\ J_{xz} + \tilde{h}_1^x & J_{xx} + J_{yy} & -J_{zz} - \tilde{h}_1^z + \tilde{h}_2^z & -J_{zx} + \tilde{h}_2^x \\ J_{xx} - J_{yy} & -J_{xz} + \tilde{h}_1^x & -J_{zx} + \tilde{h}_2^x & J_{zz} - \tilde{h}_1^z - \tilde{h}_2^z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{h}_1^x, \tilde{h}_2^x, J_{xx}, \tilde{h}_1^z, \tilde{h}_2^z, J_{zz}, J_{xz}, J_{zx}, J_{yy}$$

# Ground states energy splitting of Wen-plaquette model under a magnetic field along x-direction

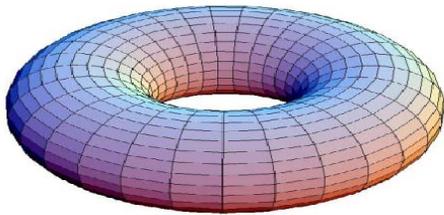


# Ground states energy splitting of Wen-plaquette model under a magnetic field along z-direction

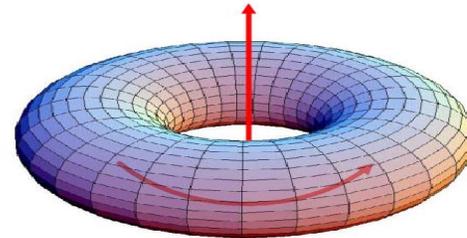


# IV. Topological quantum computation by manipulating quantum tunneling Effect

1. Qubit :  
degenerate ground states of Wen-plaquette model on odd-by-odd lattice



$|0,0\rangle$



$|1,1\rangle$

**How to initial, do operation,  
measure?**

## 2. Initialization

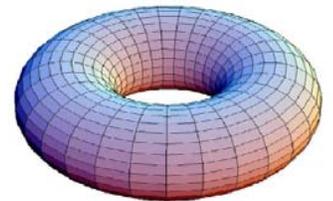
- Applied a external fields along z-directions, and then reduce it to zero :

$$H' = \hbar h(t) \sum_i \sigma_z \quad \text{where} \quad h(t) = e^{-t/t_0} - 1$$

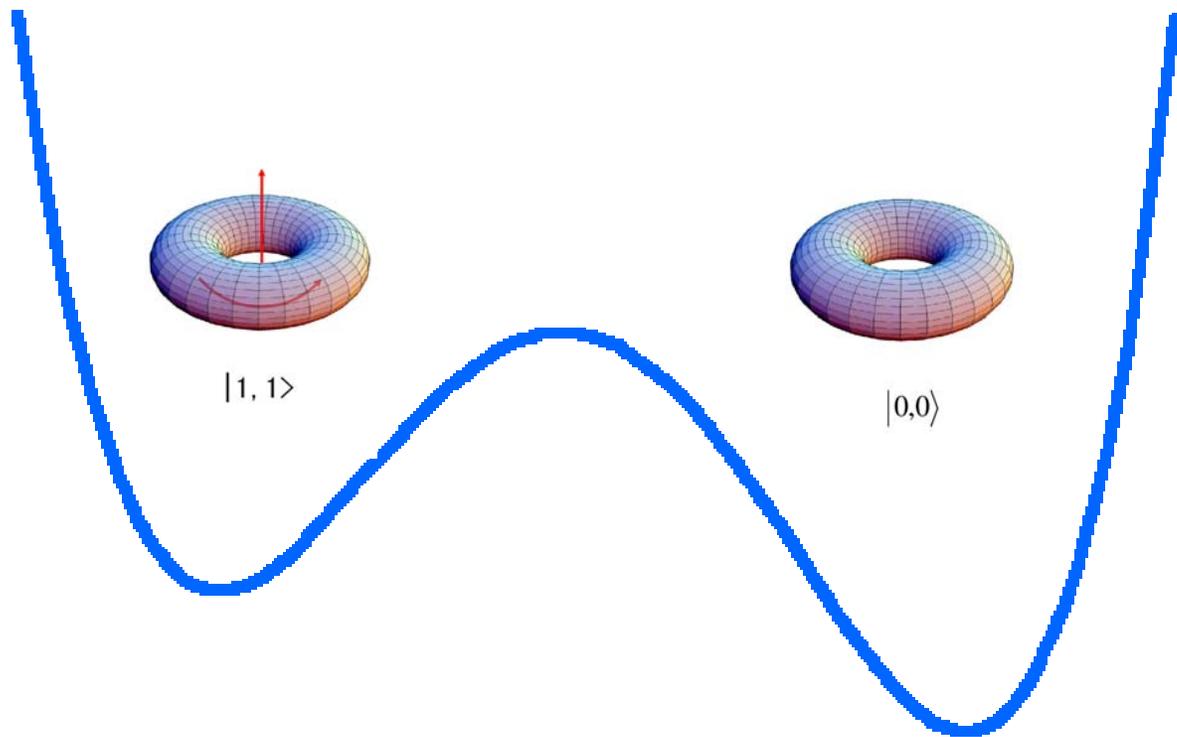
- The unitary operator becomes :

$$U(t) = e^{\frac{-iH't}{\hbar}}$$

- Finally at  $t=0$ , we have the state  $|0,0\rangle$



$|0,0\rangle$



# 3. Unitary operations

- A general operator becomes :

$$U_{\theta,\varphi} = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}\gamma\tau^z} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}\varphi(\tau^x + \tau^y)} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}\theta\tau^z}$$

where  $\gamma = J_{zz}\Delta t_\gamma$ ,  $\theta = J_{zz}\Delta t_\theta$  and  $\varphi = J\Delta t_\varphi$

**For example , Hadamard gate is**

$$U_{\theta,\varphi}(\gamma = \frac{\pi}{4}, \theta = \frac{7\pi}{4}, \varphi = \frac{\pi}{4})$$

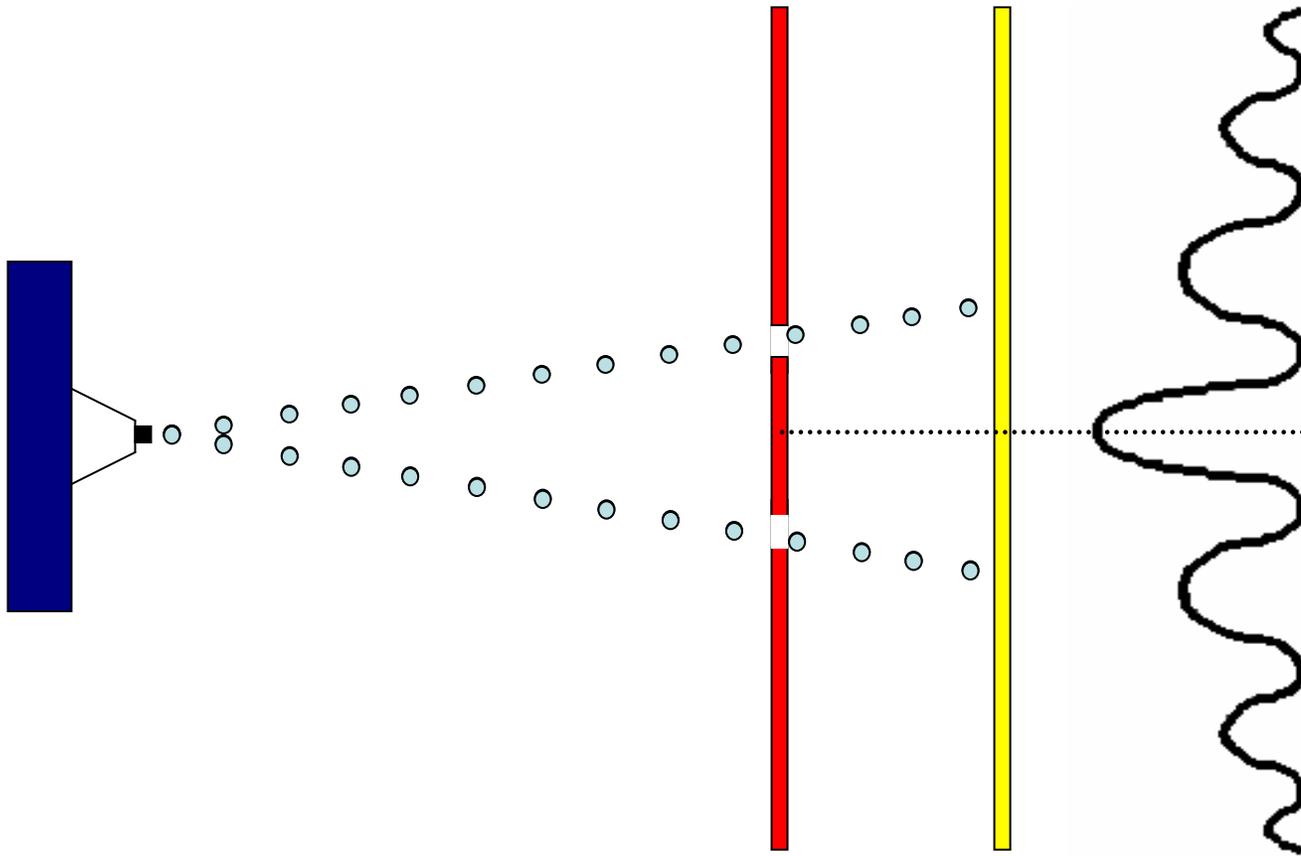
# 4. Measurement

- **We want to determine the state**

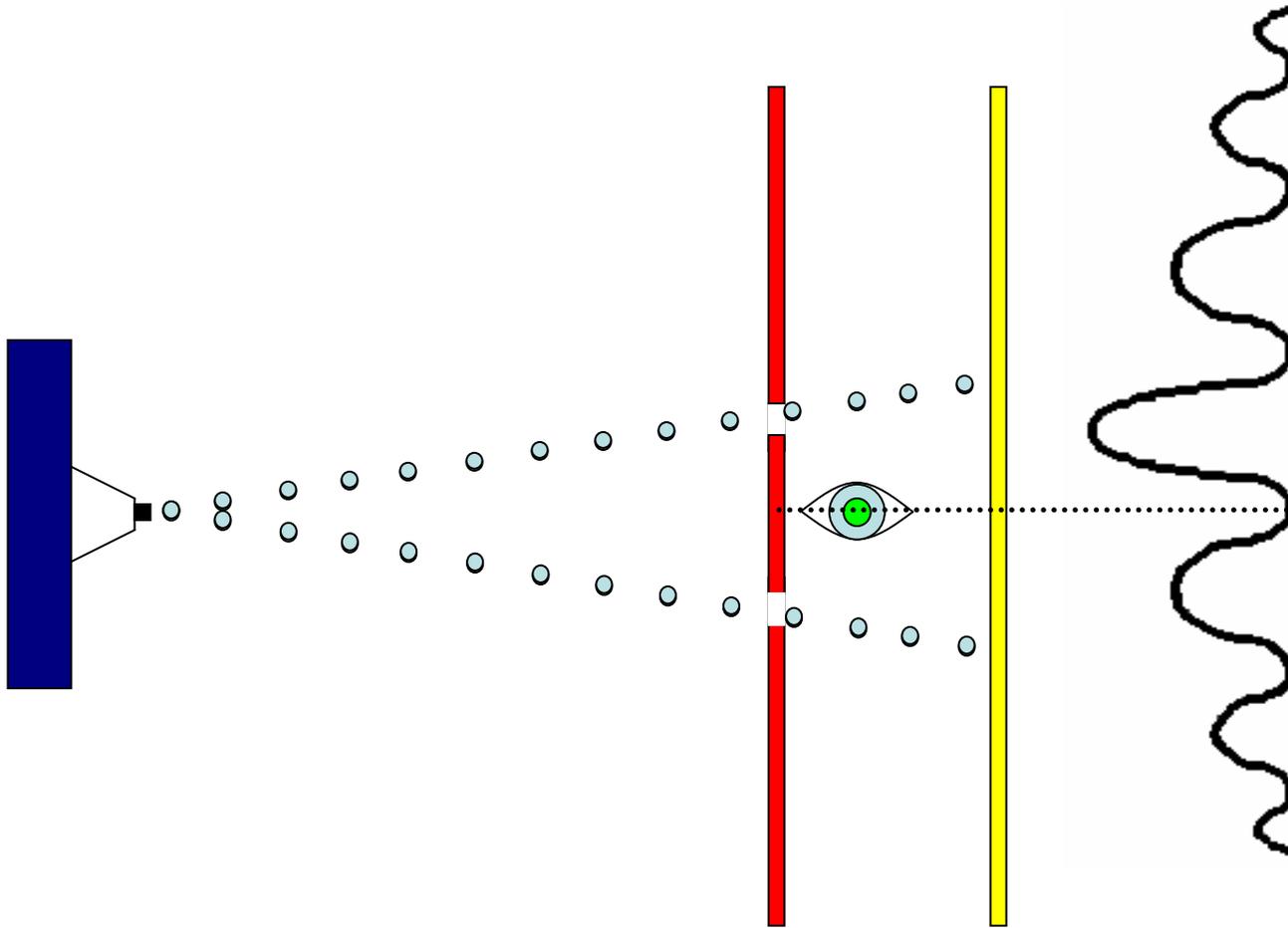
$$|vac\rangle = \alpha|00\rangle + \beta e^{i\phi}|11\rangle$$

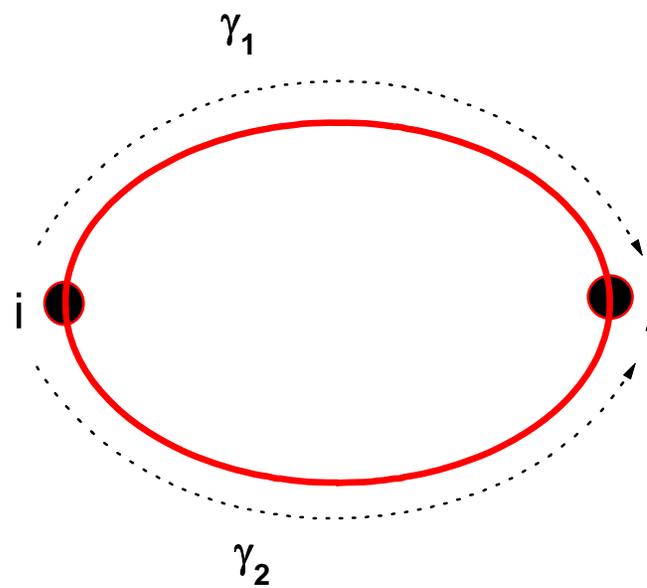
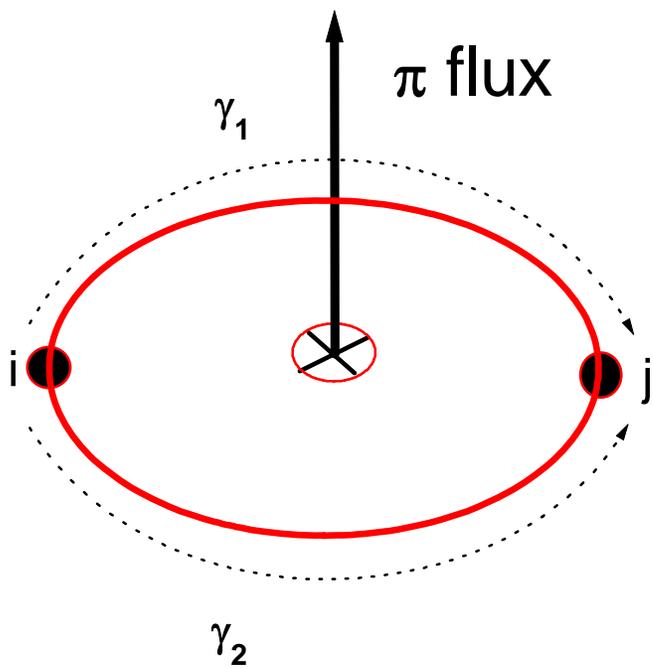
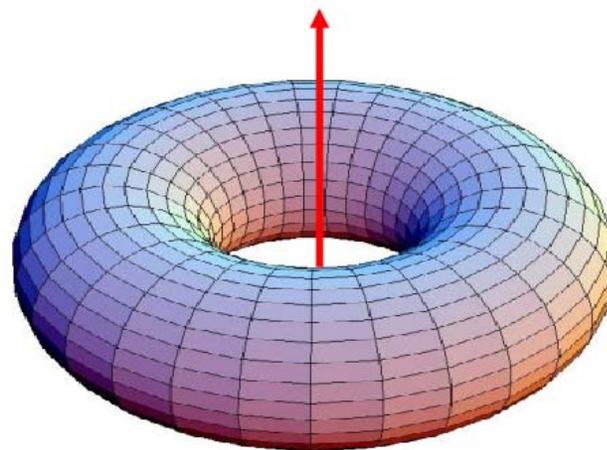
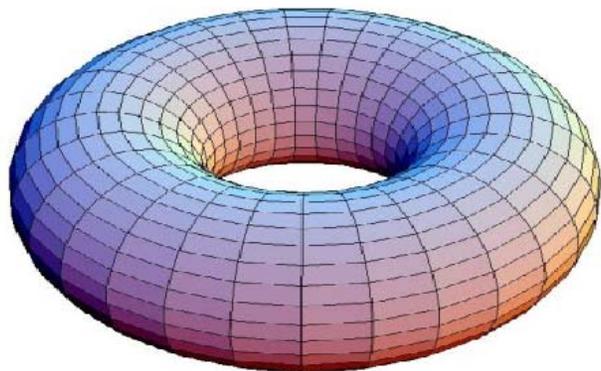
- **The interference from Aharonov-Bohm (AB) effect allows one to observe distinction between the processes with or without a flux inside the loop.**

# Interference in double slits



# Observing AB effect in double slits





## **5. Unsolved problems**

- **It is a challenge to realize the designed spin model on a manifold of higher genus in the optical lattice of cold atoms.**
- **The coefficient of the energy splitting of degenerate ground states cannot be calculated exactly.**

Thank You !



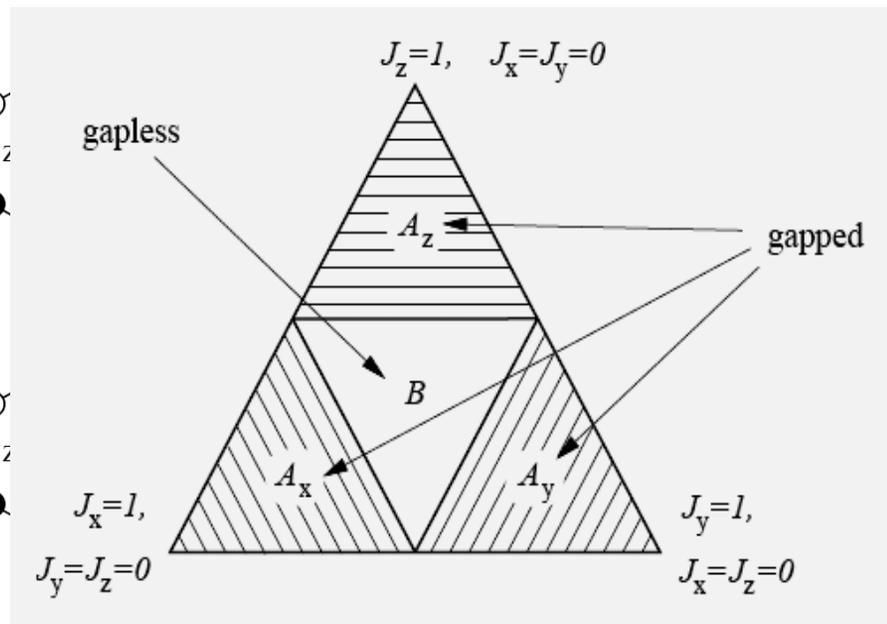
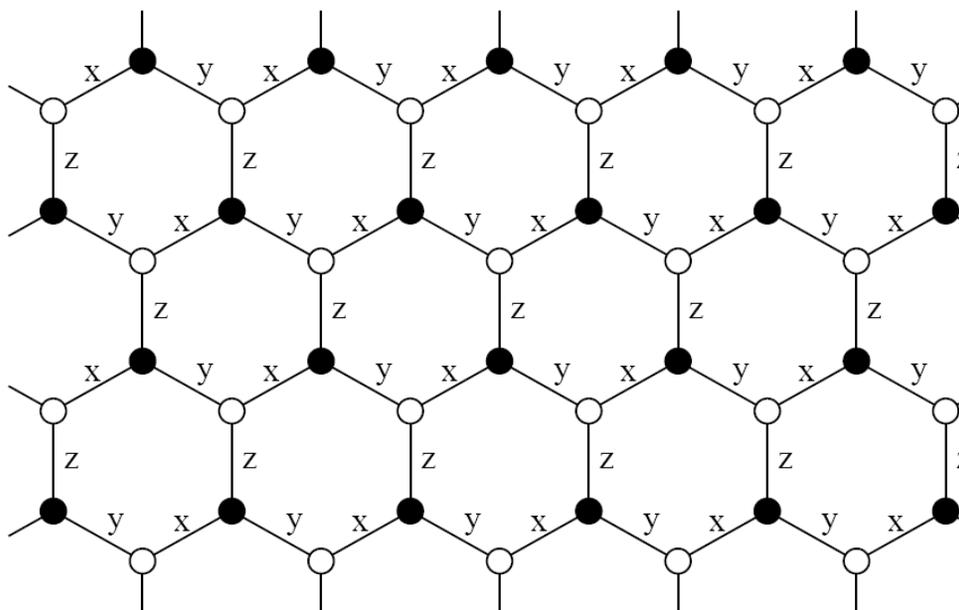
# 1. Errors

- **Thermal effect : at finite temperature, anyons exist, their braiding leads to error.**
- **One can not control the operator time exactly.**
- **When measurement, the ground state may still evolves.**

# 2. Possible realization in cold atoms

## Kitaev Model

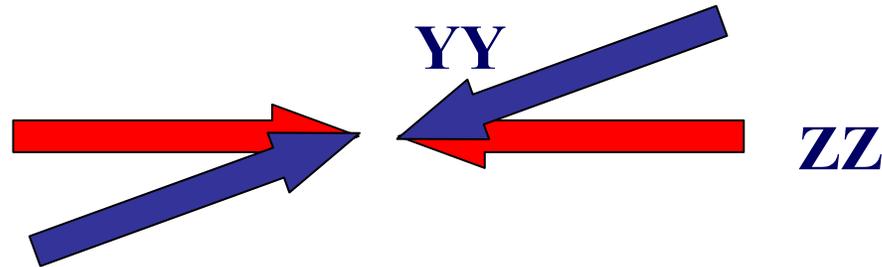
$$H = J_1 \sum_{x\text{-link}} \sigma_n^x \sigma_m^x + J_2 \sum_{y\text{-link}} \sigma_n^y \sigma_m^y + J_3 \sum_{z\text{-link}} \sigma_n^z \sigma_m^z$$



The Abelian gapped phases  $A_x$ ,  $A_y$ ,  $A_z$  are  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  topological orders

# Engineering the toy model

- Optical lattice in 2 dimensions: polarizations & frequencies of standing waves can be different for different directions

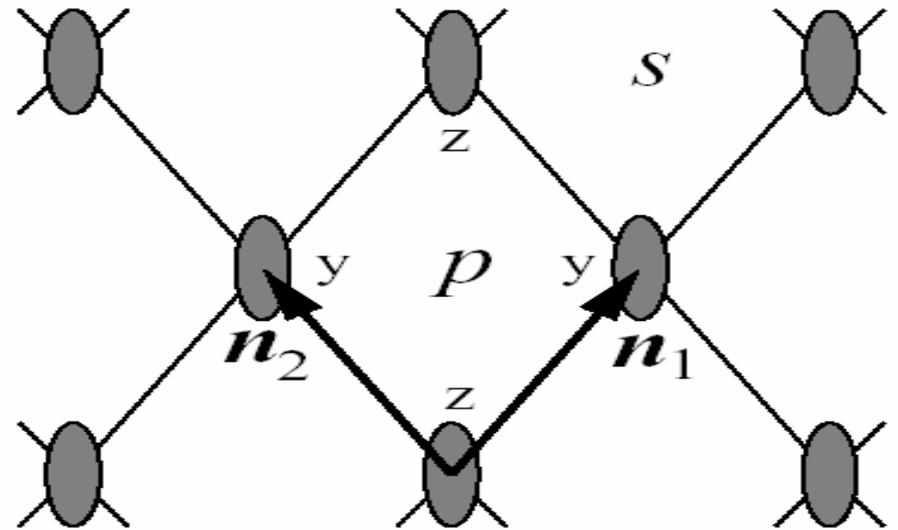
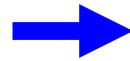
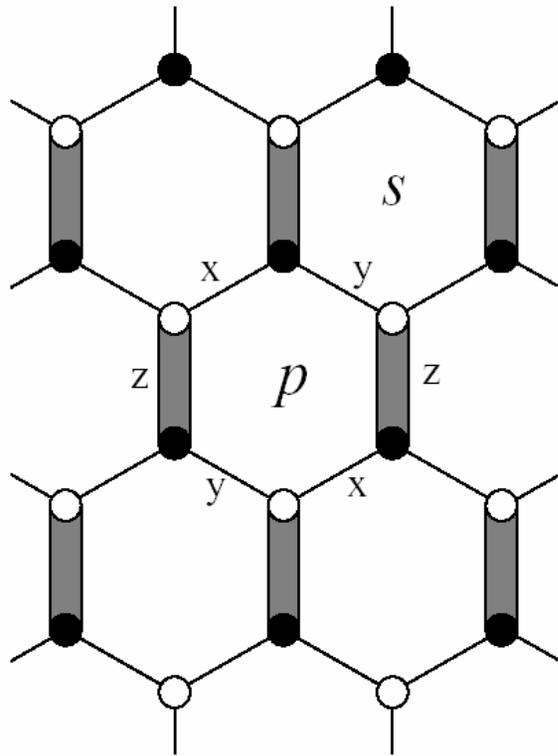


**Kitaev model on honeycomb lattice Can be created with 3 sets of standing wave light beams.**

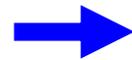
**L.-M. Duan, E. Demler, and M. D. Lukin,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 090402 (2003).**



# Wen-plaquette model as low energy effective model of Kitaev model on honeycomb lattice



$$H = J_1 \sum_{x\text{-link}} \sigma_n^x \sigma_m^x + J_2 \sum_{y\text{-link}} \sigma_n^y \sigma_m^y + J_3 \sum_{z\text{-link}} \sigma_n^z \sigma_m^z$$



$$H_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{J_x^2 J_y^2}{16 |J_z|^3} \sum_p Q_p$$

$$Q_p = \sigma_{\text{left}(p)}^y \sigma_{\text{right}(p)}^y \sigma_{\text{up}(p)}^z \sigma_{\text{down}(p)}^z$$

# 3. The statistics for the elementary excitations

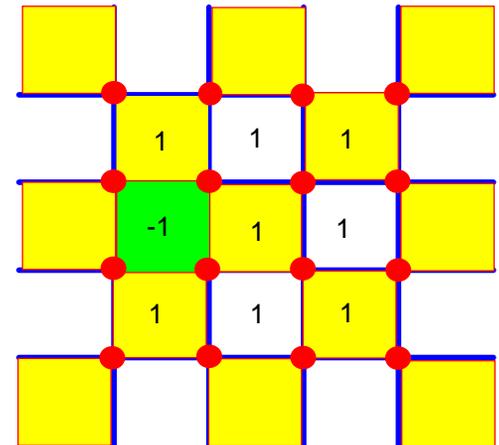
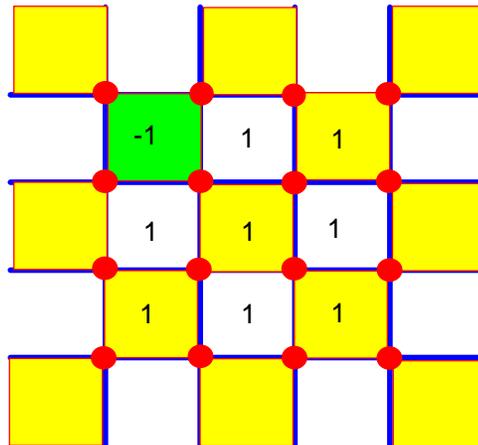
- There are two kinds of Bosonic excitations:

- **Z2 vortex**  $F_{i \in i_x + i_y = \text{even}} = -1$

- **Z2 charge**  $F_{i \in i_x + i_y = \text{odd}} = -1$

- Each kind of excitations moves on each sub-plaquette:

- Why?

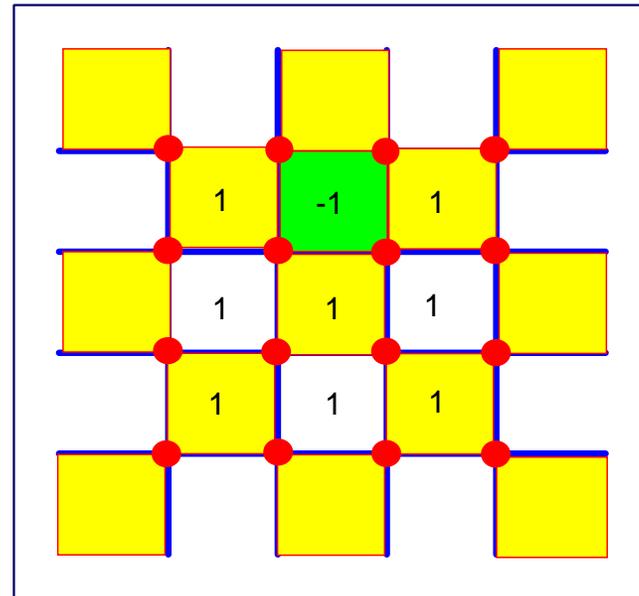


- There are two constraints (the even-by-even lattice):  
One for the even plaquettes, the other for the odd plaquettes

$$\prod_{i \in i_x + i_y = \text{even}} F_{i \in i_x + i_y = \text{even}} = 1 \quad \prod_{i \in i_x + i_y = \text{odd}} F_{i \in i_x + i_y = \text{odd}} = 1$$

- The hopping from even plaquette to odd violates the constraints

- The  $Z_2$  vortex turns into  $Z_2$  charge



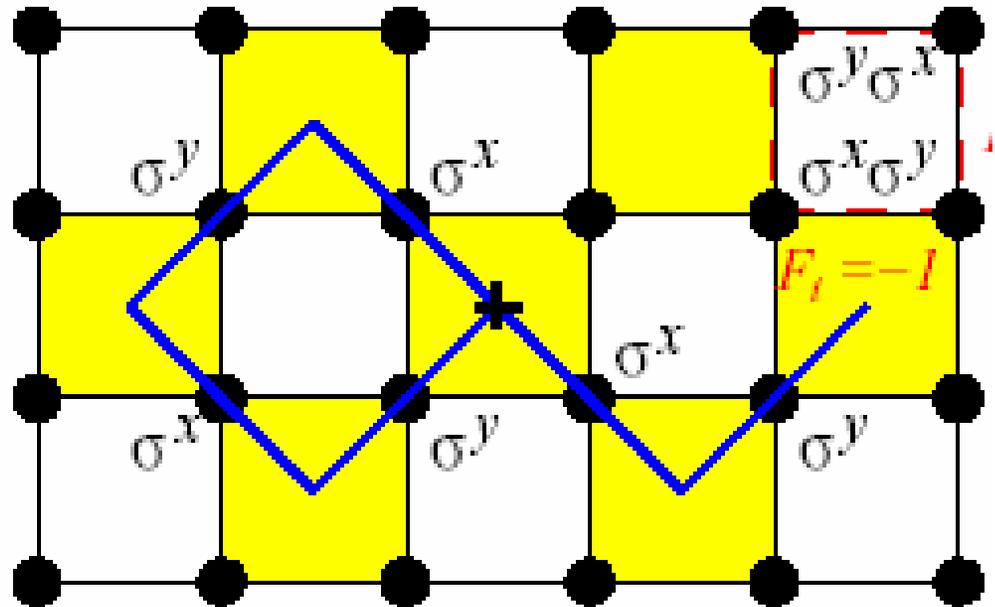
# The dynamics of the Z2 Vortex and Z2 charge

- **Z2 vortex (charge) can only move in the same sub-plaquette:**
- **The hopping operators for Z2 vortex (charge) are**

$$\sigma_i^x \text{ and } \sigma_i^y$$

$$\sigma_{i+\hat{e}_y}^x \hat{F}_i \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_y}^x = -\hat{F}_i$$

$$\sigma_i^y \hat{F}_i \sigma_i^y = -\hat{F}_i$$



# The mutual semion statistics between the Z2 Vortex and Z2 charge

- When an excitation (Z2 vortex) in even-plaquette move around an excitation (Z2 charge) in odd-plaquette, the operator is

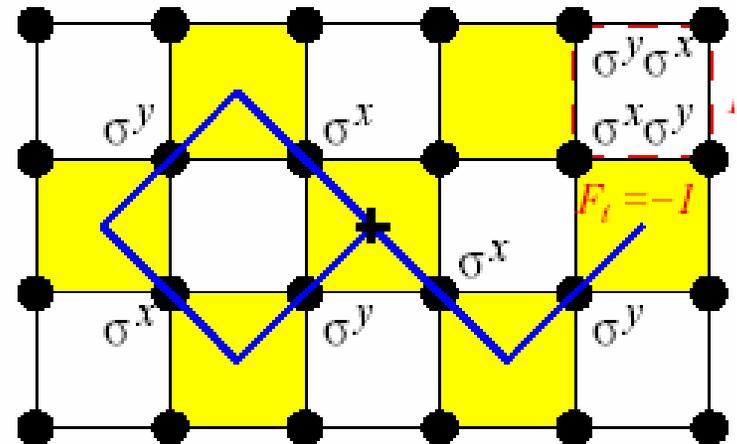
$$F_i = \sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_x}^y \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_x+\hat{e}_y}^x \sigma_{i+\hat{e}_y}^y$$

- it is -1 with an excitation on it

$$F_i = -1$$

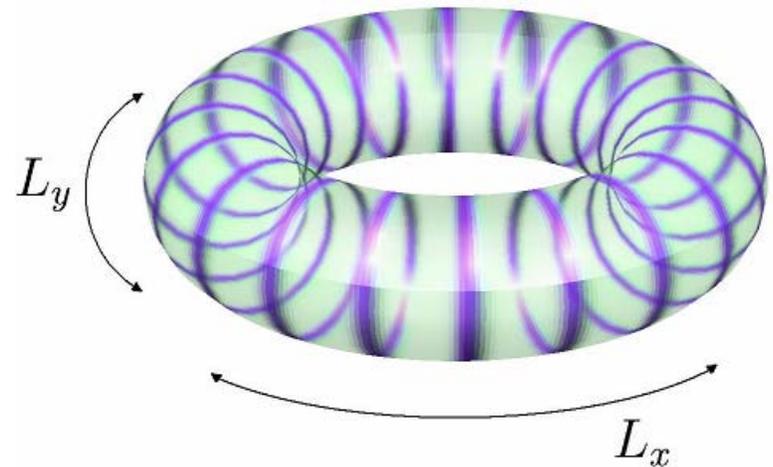
- This is the character for semion statistics

X. G. Wen, PRD68, 024501 (2003).



# Topological degeneracy on a torus (even-by-even lattice) :

- On an even-by-even lattice, there are totally  $2^N$  states
- Under the constraint,  $\prod_{i_x+i_y=even} F_i^2 = 1$  and  $\prod_{i_x+i_y=odd} F_i^2 = 1$  the number of states are only  $2^N / 4$
- For the ground state  $F_i = 1$ , it must be four-fold degeneracy.

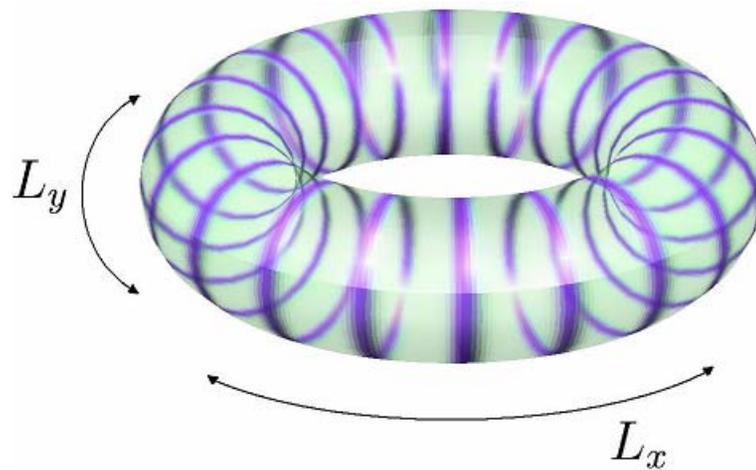


# Topological degeneracy on a torus: even-by-odd, odd-by-even, odd-by-odd lattices

- There is only one constraint, there are only

$$\prod_i F_i^2 = 1$$

- For the ground state  $F_i = 1$ , it is two-fold degeneracy.

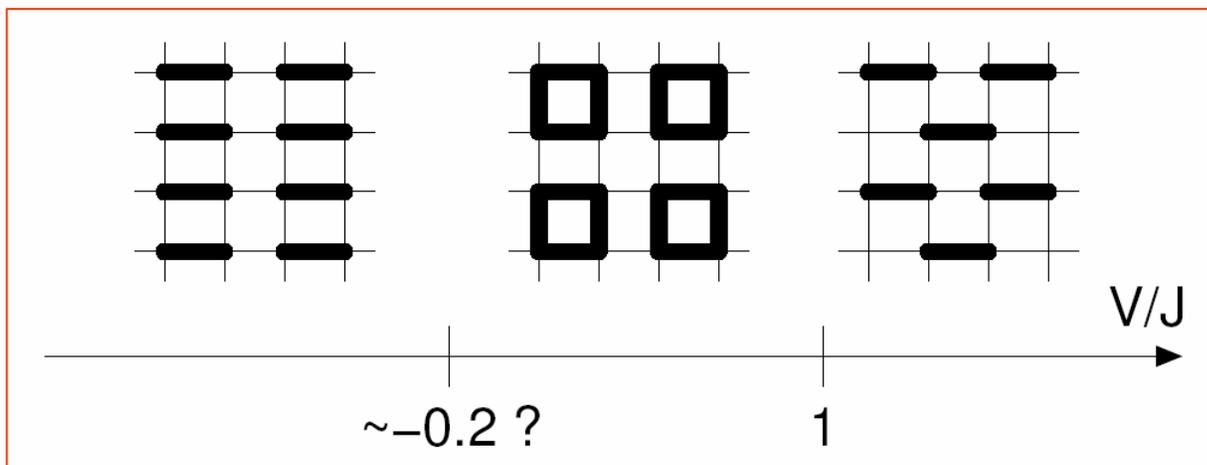


# 4. First example of $Z_2$ topological order - Quantum Dimer Models

Square lattice (Rokhsar-Kivelson, '88)

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\text{Plaquette}} [-J (|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle\langle\downarrow\downarrow| + \text{H.c.}) + V (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle\langle\downarrow\uparrow| + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle\langle\uparrow\downarrow|)]$$

Assume dimer configurations are orthogonal

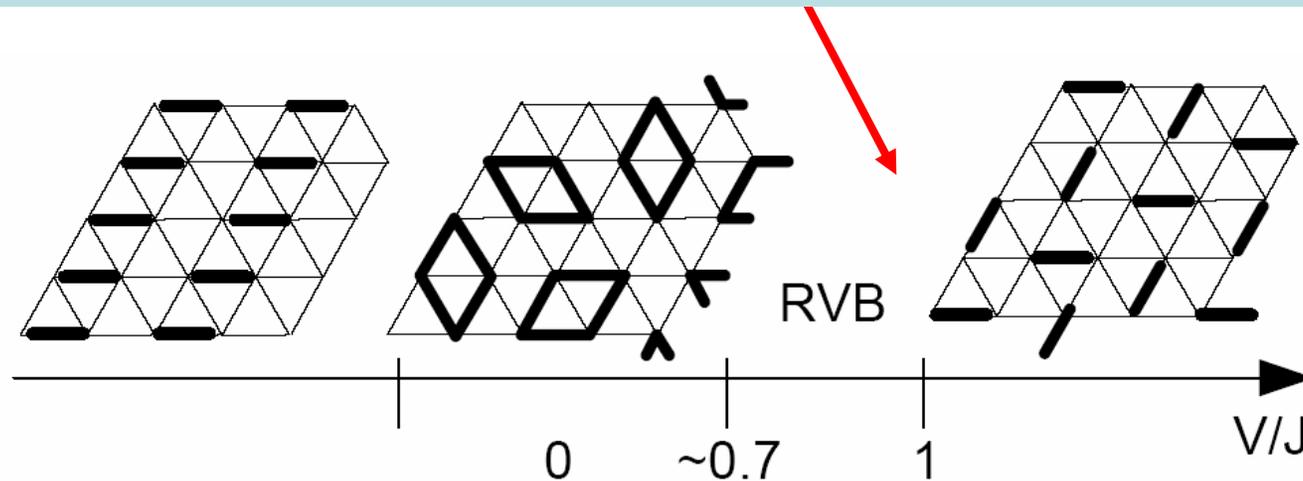


RK '88  
Leung et al, '96

# QDM on triangular lattice

Moessner and Sondhi, '01

RVB spin liquid with gapped spectrum



Topological degeneracy

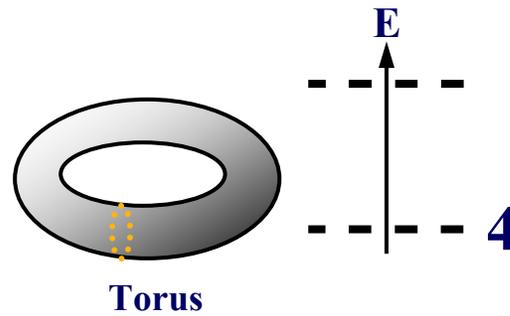
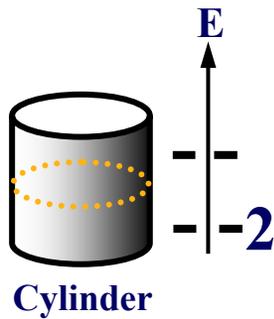
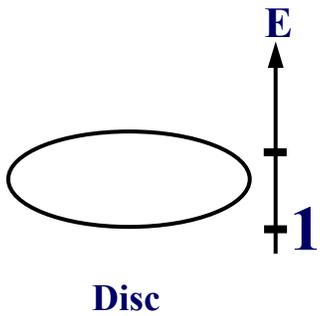
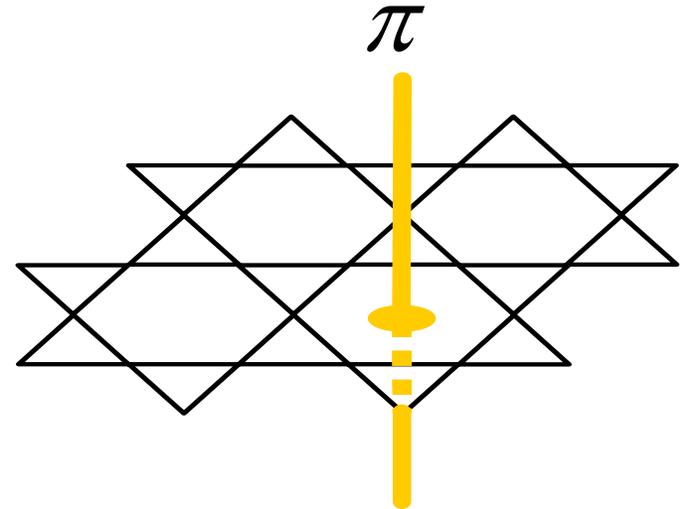
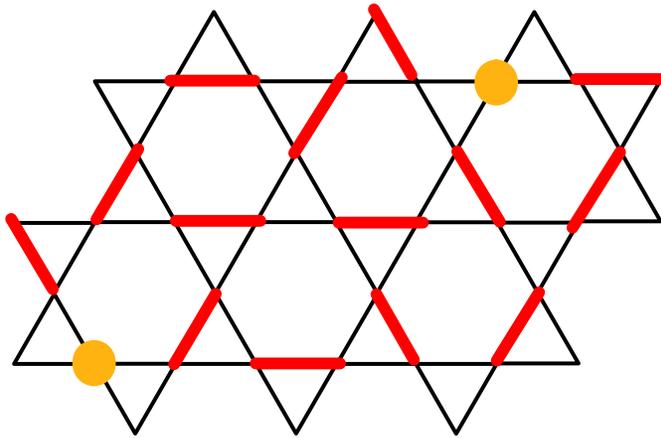
# Rokhsar-Kivelson (RK) model on a triangular lattice

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{\text{KT}} = & \sum t \left( \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 1} \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 2} \right| + \text{h.c.} \right) \\
 & + \sum t' \left( \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 3} \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 4} \right| + \text{h.c.} \right) \\
 & + \sum t' \left( \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 5} \end{array} \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram 6} \right| + \text{h.c.} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- The ground state of “Rokhsar-Kivelson” Type RVB spin liquid is a  $Z_2$  topological order : all excitations are gapped; four-fold degeneracy on a torus

D.S. Rokhsar and S. Kivelson, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 61, 2376 (1988)  
 N. Read and S. Sachdev, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 66, 1773 (1991);  
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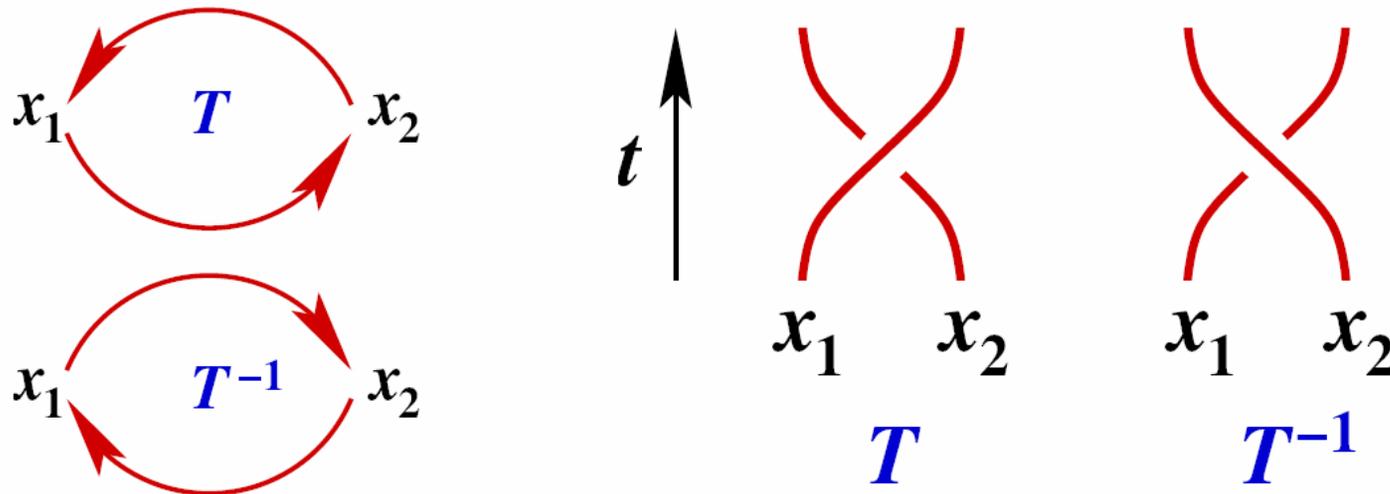
# Topological degeneracy of RK model



Ground-states are *locally* indistinguishable.

Degeneracy *robust* to local perturbations.

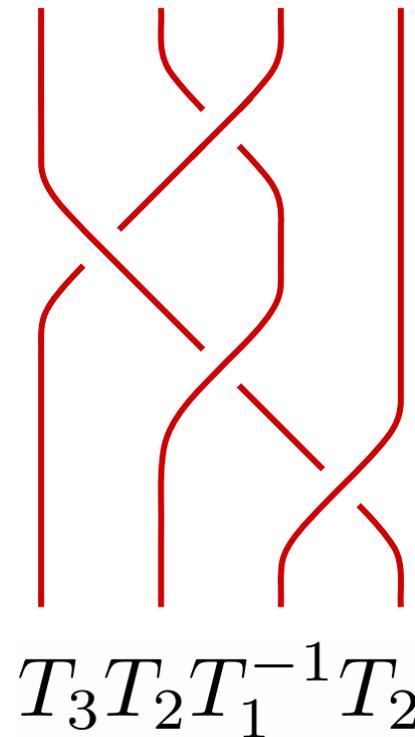
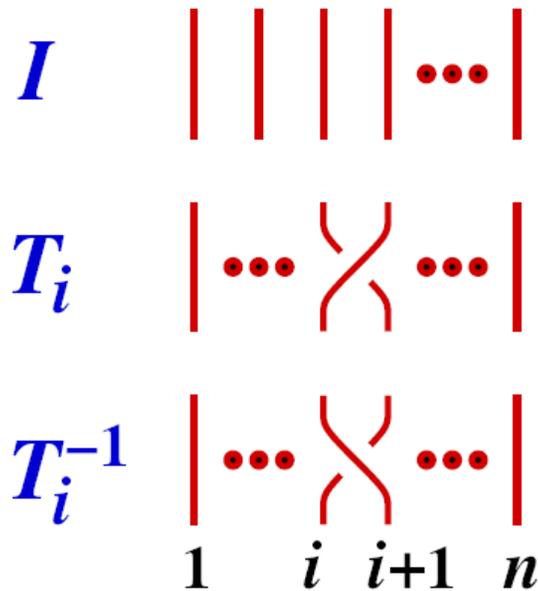
# 5. Exchange statistics in (2+1)D



- In (3+1)D,  $T^{-1} = T$ , while in (2+1)D  $T^{-1} \neq T$ !
- If  $T^{-1} = T$  then  $T^2 = 1$ , and the only types of particles are bosons and fermions.

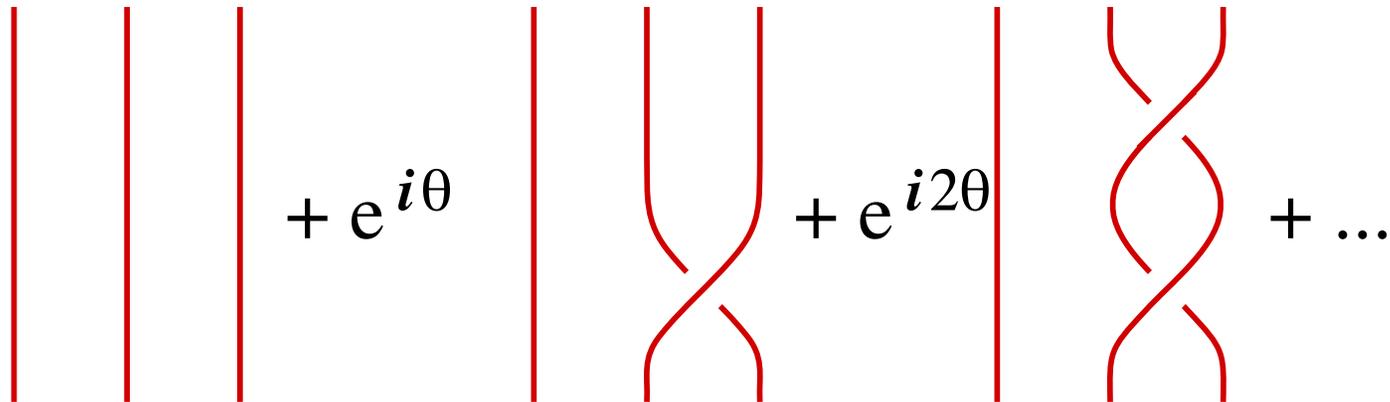
# The Braid Group

In  $(2+1)D$ , we should consider the braid group:



# Abelian Anyons

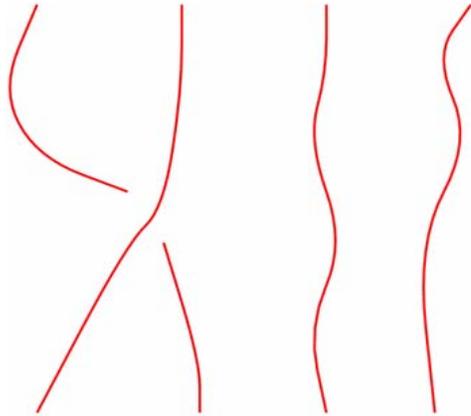
- Different elements of the braid group correspond to disconnected subspaces of trajectories in space-time.
- Possible choice: weight them by different overall phase factors (Leinaas and Myrheim, Wilczek).



- These phase factors realise an Abelian representation of the braid group. E.g  $q = p/m$  for a Fractional Quantum Hall state at a filling factor  $\nu = 1/m$ .
- The ground state degeneracy on a torus:  $m$ -fold degenerate ground states for FQHE (Haldane, Rezayi '88, Wen '90).

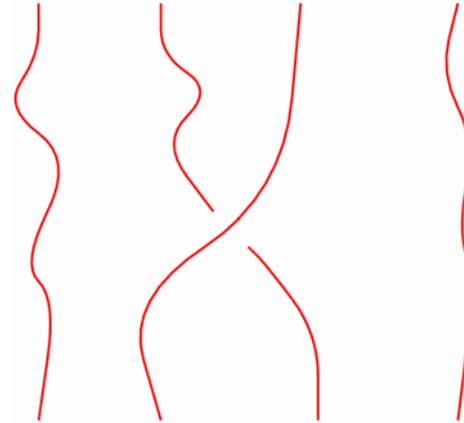
# Non-Abelian Anyons

Exchanging particles 1 and 2:



$$\psi_a \rightarrow M_{ab}^{12} \psi_b$$

Exchanging particles 2 and 3:



$$\psi_a \rightarrow M_{ab}^{23} \psi_b$$

- Matrices  $M^{12}$  and  $M^{23}$  need not commute, hence Non-Abelian Statistics.
- Matrices  $M$  form a higher-dimensional representation of the braid-group.
- For fixed particle positions, we have a non-trivial multi-dimensional Hilbert space where we can store information

$\nu = 5/2$  is believed to be  $\text{MR} = \text{U}(1) \times \text{Ising}$

$\text{U}(1)$  is a familiar Abelian factor due to electric charge

Ising particle types :  $I, \sigma, \psi$

Fusion rules :  $I \times I = I, \quad I \times \sigma = \sigma, \quad I \times \psi = \psi,$

$\sigma \times \sigma = I + \psi, \quad \sigma \times \psi = \sigma, \quad \psi \times \psi = I$

quasiholes carry anyonic charge :  $(e/4, \sigma)$

electrons carry anyonic charge :  $(-e, \psi)$

$n$  quasiholes carry anyonic charge :  $(ne/4, \sigma)$  for  $n$  odd

$(ne/4, I \text{ or } \psi)$  for  $n$  even

$\nu = 12/5$  is believed to be  $\mathbf{RR}_3 = \mathbf{U}(1) \times \mathbf{Pf}_3 = \mathbf{U}(1) \times \mathbf{Fib}$

(Note : Fibonacci anyons can simulate a universal quantum computer.)

**Fib particle types :  $I, \varepsilon$**

**Fusion rules :  $I \times I = I, \quad I \times \varepsilon = \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \times \varepsilon = I + \varepsilon$**

**quasiholes carry anyonic charge :  $(e/5, \varepsilon)$**

**electrons carry anyonic charge :  $(-e, I)$**

**$n$  quasiholes carry anyonic charge :  $(ne/5, I \text{ or } \varepsilon)$**