

Braiding fluxes in Pauli Hamiltonians

Anyons for anyone

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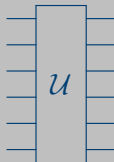
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Gates

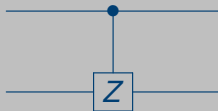
- Unitary: $|\psi\rangle \mapsto \mathcal{U}|\psi\rangle$



- n – qubits $\implies \dim(\mathcal{H}) = 2^n$
- Universal single qubit gates:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \text{---} \boxed{H} \text{---}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix} = \text{---} \boxed{e^{i\pi/4}} \text{---}$$

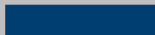
- Universal two qubits:



Anyons and quantum computing

Desiderata

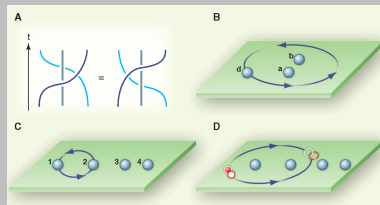
- Fault tolerance



Gap

————— \mathcal{H} = Protected subspace

- Topological quantum computing—non-abelian anyons



Lindner & Stern, Science

Non abelian anyons

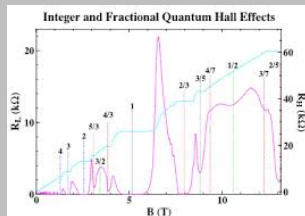
Theory and experiment

Theory

Localized modes of interacting fermions or spins

Theoretical realization

- Anyons in FQHE
- Majoranas: $electron/\sqrt{2}$



Experiment

Fractional charges in FQHE, Evidence for Majorana

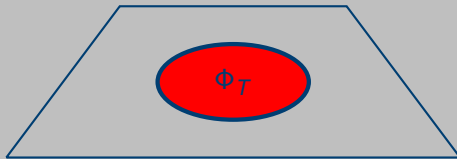
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Aharonov Casher

Topological Zero modes

- Geometric setting:



- Pauli equation: spin $1/2$, $g = 2$

$$((-i\nabla - \mathbf{A}) \cdot \sigma)^2 \geq 0, \quad \Phi_T = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int B dx \wedge dy$$

- Zero modes:



Zero modes Continuum

Aharonov Casher

holomorphy

- Decoupling in 2-D:

$$(-i\nabla - \mathbf{A}) \cdot \sigma = -2i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \partial_z - iA_z \\ \bar{\partial}_z - i\bar{A}_z & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Zero modes:

$$((-i\nabla - \mathbf{A}) \cdot \sigma)(\psi, 0)^t = 0, \implies \underbrace{(\bar{\partial}_z - i\bar{A})\psi = 0}_{1\text{-st order pde}}$$

- Holomorphy:

$$\psi(z, \bar{z}) \in \text{Ker}(\bar{\partial}_z - i\bar{A}) \ni \underbrace{P(z)}_{\text{holomorphic}} \psi(z, \bar{z})$$

Aharonov and Casher

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- Poissons' equation—source B

$$\underbrace{\partial_z \bar{\partial}_z}_{\Delta} \log \psi_0 = \underbrace{i \partial_z \bar{A}}_B$$

- Polynomial decay:

$$\psi_0 = \exp(\Delta^{-1} B) \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} |z|^{-\Phi_T}, \quad \Delta^{-1} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \log z$$

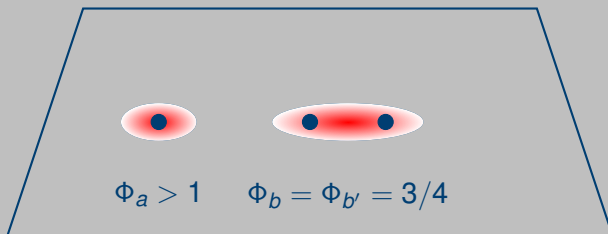
Aharonov-Casher Index theorem: **Number of zero modes**

$$D = [\Phi_T] - 1$$

Confined and free zero modes

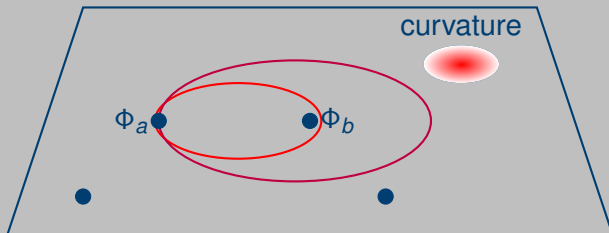
$\Phi_a > 1$ vs $\Phi_a < 1$

Two types of Charge-Flux composite



Braiding fluxes

Gates from braiding fluxes

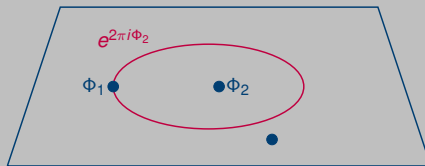


- What gates can you make by braiding fluxons?
- Catch 22: Holonomy without curvature!
- $\Phi_a \in \mathbb{R}$; Think of $1/2 < \Phi_a < 1$
- No gap protection

Adiabatic evolution

AB-Anyons

- Adiabatic evolution for moving fluxes
 - Gapless
 - Gauge issues
 - Defrosting
- Confined zero modes
 - Super Critical fluxons; $\Phi_a > 1$
 - Aharonov-Bohm abelian phases

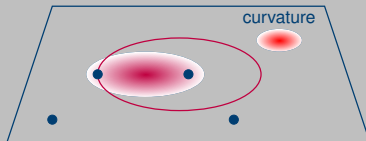
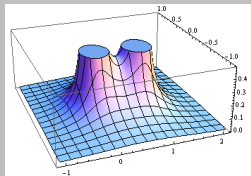


Localized zero modes

Deconfined modes

Anyons

- Holonomy–Abelian & non-abelian
- curvature & topological



- Topological if: $D = N - 1$
- Identical fluxes $1 - \frac{1}{N} < \Phi < 1$
- Burau rep of braid group : $\begin{pmatrix} 1 - \nu & \nu \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \nu = e^{-2\pi i \Phi}$

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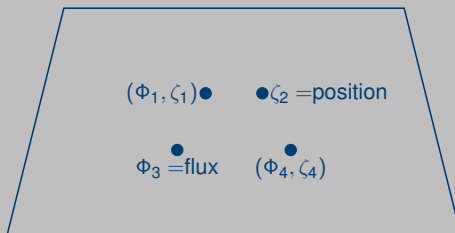
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Aharonov and Casher

Fluxons

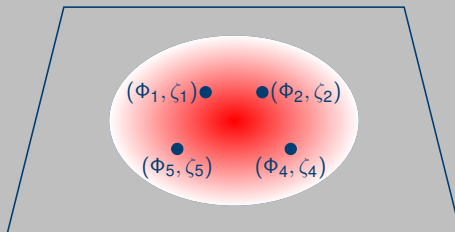
- Log-Superposition:

$$\bar{\partial}_z \log \psi = i\bar{A} \implies (A_1 + A_2, \psi_1 \psi_2)$$



Weak individuals, $\Phi_a < 1$, strong community, $\Phi_T > 1$

Point fluxes



- Zero modes; $0 < \Phi_a < 1$

$$\psi(z; \zeta) = \underbrace{P(z)}_{\text{polynom}} \prod_a (z - \zeta_a)^{-\Phi_a}, \quad \deg(P) < \Phi_T - 1$$

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Bad defrosting

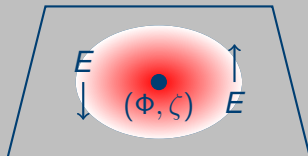
Dead frozen

- Defrosted Hamiltonian

$$\underbrace{\zeta \mapsto \zeta(t)}_{\text{control}} \quad H(A_\zeta) \mapsto H(A_{\zeta(t)})$$

- Wrong sources

$\square A = J$

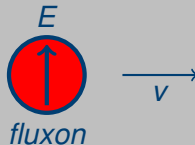


Gauge fields of moving flux

Defrosting and Gauge freedom

- Motion generates weak electric fields

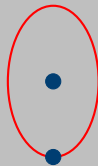
$$\underbrace{\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}}_{\text{localized on fluxon}}$$



Defrosted potentials

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}(z - \zeta(t)), \quad \underbrace{A_0 = -\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(z - \zeta(t))}_{\text{Inertial frame}}$$

- Closed path in control $\zeta_a \implies$ closed path in (A_0, \mathbf{A})

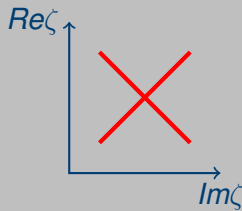
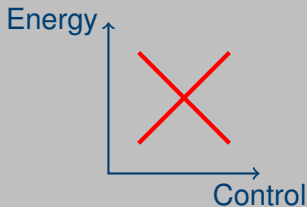


Topology in Gapless Adiabatic evolution

What is the time scale?

- Gapless. Distance between fluxon defines time scale:

$$\underbrace{\text{time scale} = \frac{m}{h}(\text{distance})^2}_{\text{dim analysis}}, \quad \underbrace{\text{distance} = |\zeta_a - \zeta_b|}_{\text{length scale}}$$



Parallel transport

Connection

- Zero modes:

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{P}_D}_{\text{projection}} : \underbrace{\text{Span}\{z^j \psi_0 | j = 0, \dots, D-1\}}_{\text{zero modes}}, \quad \underbrace{\langle z | \psi_0 \rangle = \prod_a (z - \zeta_a(t))^{-\Phi_a}}_{\zeta_a = \zeta_b = \dots \Rightarrow |\psi_0\rangle = \infty}$$

- Evolution within \mathcal{P}_D

$$\psi(z, t) = \underbrace{P(z, t)}_{\text{polynom}} \psi_0, \quad P(z, t) = \sum_0^D p_j(t) z^j,$$

Connection

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{P}_D D_t \psi = 0}_{\text{No motion}}, \quad \underbrace{D_t = \partial_t - iA_0}_{\text{covariant derivative}}$$

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The connection

Metric

- Geometric—independent of time schedule:

$$i\mathcal{P}_D d|\psi\rangle = \mathcal{P}_D \left(\sum_a \underbrace{d\mathbf{x}_a}_{\text{flux}} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_a|\psi\rangle}_{i\partial_a|\psi\rangle} \right)$$

- A (non-orthogonal) basis

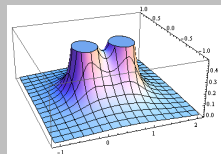
$$z^j|\psi\rangle_0, \quad j = 0, \dots, D-1$$

- Hilbert space metric

$$(\mathbf{g})_{jk} \underbrace{(\zeta, \bar{\zeta})}_{\text{control}} = \langle \psi_0 | \bar{z}^j z^k | \psi_0 \rangle$$

- Diverges when fluxons collide:

$$(\mathbf{g})_{jk}(\zeta_a = \zeta_b = \dots) = \infty$$



Beauty parlor

Connection

$$P(z, t) = \sum_0^D p_j(t) z^j \implies p(t) = (p_0, \dots, p_{D-1})$$

$$0 = (d + \mathcal{A})p, \quad \mathcal{A} = \underbrace{\mathbf{g}^{-1}(\partial_\zeta \mathbf{g})}_{\text{semi pure gauge}}$$

- Semi-pure

$$\mathcal{A} = \underbrace{\mathbf{g}^{-1}(\partial \mathbf{g})}_{\text{semi pure gauge}} \neq \underbrace{\mathbf{g}^{-1} d \mathbf{g}}_{\text{pure gauge}}, \quad d = \partial + \bar{\partial}$$

Factorization

holomorphic \times anti-holomorphic

- Heuristics

$$(\mathbf{g})_{jk}(\zeta, \bar{\zeta}) = \underbrace{\langle \psi_0(\zeta) |}_{\text{anti-holomorphic}} \bar{z}^j z^k \underbrace{|\psi_0(\zeta)\rangle}_{\text{holomorphic}},$$

Factorization of metric

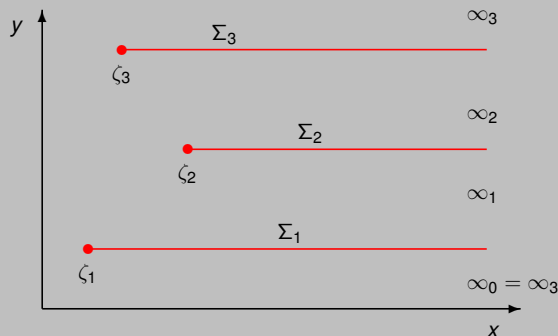
$$\underbrace{\mathbf{g}(\zeta, \bar{\zeta}, \Phi)}_{D \times D} = \underbrace{\Psi^*(\zeta; \Phi)}_{D \times (N-1)} \underbrace{\mathbf{G}(\Phi)}_{(N-1) \times (N-1)} \underbrace{\Psi(\zeta; \Phi)}_{(N-1) \times D}$$

Branch structure Ψ

Fluxons and cuts

- The matrix Ψ

$$\Psi_{ak}(\zeta) = \int_{\xi_N}^{\zeta_a} dz z^k \psi_0(z; \zeta), \quad a \in 1, \dots, N-1, \quad k \in 0, \dots, D-1$$



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The magic when $D = N - 1$

Conservation laws

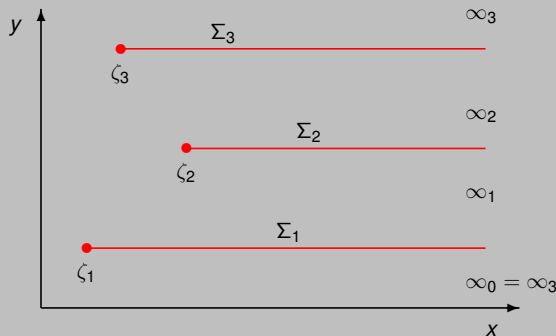
$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= (d + \underbrace{\mathbf{g}^{-1}(\partial \mathbf{g})}_{\text{connection}}) p \implies 0 = (\mathbf{g}d + (\partial \mathbf{g})) p \\
 &= \underbrace{(\Psi^* G \Psi d + \partial(\Psi^* G \Psi))}_{\text{factorization}} p = \underbrace{\Psi^* G(\Psi d + (\partial \Psi))}_{\text{holomorphy}} p \\
 &= \Psi^* G(\Psi d + \underbrace{(d\Psi)}_{\text{holomorphy}}) p = \underbrace{\Psi^* G}_{D \times (N-1)} d(\Psi p)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$D = N - 1$$

- $\Psi^* G = \square$ a square matrix
- Invertible (since $g > 0$)
- $d(\Psi p) = 0 \implies p(\zeta)$ a function on control space
- Curvature localized at branch points ζ_a

Monodromy

Branched surface

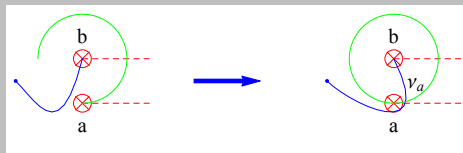


$$d(\Psi p) = 0$$

- Ψ a function on branched control space
- Monodromy of p induced from Ψ
- Holonomy is topological

Monodromy

- $\Psi_{aj}(\zeta) = \int_{\zeta_N}^{\zeta_a} d\xi \xi^j \underbrace{\prod_{b=1}^N (\xi - \zeta_b)^{-\Phi_b}}_{\text{branched}}$
- What happens to Ψ_b as fluxon a goes around it:



- The monodromy matrix, non-abelian

$$\mathbf{M}(\nu_a, \nu_b) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \nu_a + \nu_a \nu_b & \nu_a(1 - \nu_b) \\ 1 - \nu_a & \nu_a \end{pmatrix}, \quad \det \mathbf{M} = \nu_a \nu_b$$

- $\text{Eigenvalues}(\mathbf{M}) = \{1, \nu_a \nu_b\}$

Summary




Pauli Anyons

- Point-like fluxes are non-abelian anyons
- When $\Phi = N - 1$ braiding of fluxes is topological

• Outlook

- Spin connection
- Conic Anyons (Kenneth)

Further Reading I

-  J. Preskill, [Lecture Notes](#)
-  O. Kenneth and J. Avron, [ArXiv & Ann. Phys.](#) 2014.
-  Y. Aharonov and R. Casher, [Phys. Rev A](#), 1979

Integrals: $dz \wedge d\bar{z}$

- $D = N - 1$: p a function on branched control space.
- p has the monodromy of Ψ
- Stokes
- Cuts and more