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## *Abstract*

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### **Boundary conditions of Levin-Wen type models**

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Topological Phases of Matter at absolute zero cannot be classified by Group theoretical approach. The thesis aims to present the models which classify these phases of matter and further present various properties of these models. The construction of the models assumes a lattice structure, with edges and nodes being represented in different ways for different models though they form a subclass of the String-Net model by Levin-Wen, according to which the edges come from a Unitary Tensor Category, the excitations form a Modular Tensor Category. The lattice with boundary is also considered with the boundaries given by the modules over algebras of the Modular Tensor Category. The introduction is through the Kitaev Quantum Double Models, the celebrated Toric Code is one such model, which later are expressed in terms of Categorical parlence. Excitations, along with that condense on the given boundary, are discussed for the Quantum Double of  $S_3$ . Ribbon operators which carry excitations at the end are evaluated in the absence and presence of boundaries giving rise to the ribbon operators which represent anyon condensation in the latter, this leading to the construction of ground states. The identification of boundaries in terms of Category theory is also presented in terms of theorems. The experience from Quantum Doubles allows one to construct (identifying the boundaries from the theorem) and verify the ground states for Ising-Ising with boundary as Ising, in the absense of ribbon operator. Finally, the construction of ribbon operators analogue, the string operator is presented with an aim to identify the string operators connecting the bulk to boundary. There has been an extensive use of software tools which include SageMath, Julia, to an extent SymPy for various calculations.

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# Abbreviations

<b>UTC</b>	<b>Unitary Tensor Category</b>
<b>MTC</b>	<b>Modular Tensor Category</b>
<b>FC</b>	<b>Fusion Catgory</b>
<b>RFC</b>	<b>Ribbon Fusion Category</b>
<b>UMTC</b>	<b>Unitary Modular Tensor Category</b>



# Chapter 1

## Mathematical Preliminaries

### 1.1 Category Theory : Definitions and Structures

The aim of the section is to provide an overview of the various definitions and formalisms which will be used later in the presentation. To begin with Linearity, Semisimplicity, Finiteness are defined and then move onto Monoidal Categories, the later sections assume Monoidal Categories as a base to introduce other structures like Braiding, Rigidity and Twist, leading to the definition of Modularity, leading to Modular Tensor Categories.

#### 1.1.1 Linearity, Semisimplicity, Finiteness

**Definition 1.1.** Linearity :

A category  $C$  is said to be linear, if the  $\text{Homset}(A, B)$  i.e., the set of morphisms from  $A$  to  $B$ ,  $\forall A, B \in C$  forms a vector space over a field of characteristic zero.

**Definition 1.2.** Simple :

An object  $x \in$  a category  $C$  is said to be simple if  $\text{Hom}(x, x) \cong C$  (the set of complex numbers). That is the endomorphisms of  $x$  is equivalent to  $C$ .

For further insight refer [\[1\]](#).

**Definition 1.3.** Semisimplicity :

A category  $C$  is said to be semisimple, if every object in  $C$  can be written as a direct sum of simple objects in  $C$ .

**Definition 1.4.** Finite :

A category  $\mathcal{C}$  is said to be finite, if the number of simple objects in  $\mathcal{C}$  is finite.

### 1.1.2 Modular Tensor Categories

**Definition 1.5.** Monoidal Category:

A category  $M$  is said to be monoidal if it is equipped with the following structure :

1. A functor called the tensor product  $\otimes : M \times M \longrightarrow M$  where  $\otimes (x, y) = x \otimes y$  and  
 $\otimes (f, g) = f \otimes g \forall$  objects  $x, y \in M$  and  $\forall$  morphisms  $f, g$  in  $M$
2. Natural Isomorphisms called the associator:

$$\alpha_{x,y,z} : (x \otimes y) \otimes z \longrightarrow x \otimes (y \otimes z)$$

The left unitor:

$$\beta_x : 1 \otimes x \longrightarrow x$$

The right unitor:

$$\gamma_x : x \otimes 1 \longrightarrow x$$

such that the following diagrams commute.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & ((x \otimes y) \otimes z) \otimes w & \\
 \swarrow \alpha_{x,y,z \otimes 1 w} & & \searrow \alpha_{x \otimes y, w, z} \\
 (x \otimes (y \otimes z)) \otimes w & & (x \otimes y) \otimes (z \otimes w) \\
 \downarrow \alpha_{x,y \otimes z, w} & & \downarrow \alpha_{x,y,z \otimes w} \\
 x \otimes ((y \otimes z) \otimes w) & \xrightarrow{1_x \otimes \alpha_{y,z,w}} & x \otimes (y \otimes (z \otimes w))
 \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (x \otimes 1) \otimes y & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{x,1,y}} & x \otimes (1 \otimes y) \\
 & \searrow \gamma_x \otimes 1_y & \swarrow 1_x \otimes \beta_y \\
 & x \otimes y &
 \end{array}$$

**Definition 1.6.** Rigidity :

A monoidal category  $M$  is said to be rigid, if for each object  $A \in M$ ,  $\exists$  an object  $A^* \in M$  together with the maps :

$$\begin{aligned}
 i_A &: 1 \rightarrow A \otimes A^*, \\
 e_A &: A^* \otimes A \rightarrow 1
 \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.7.** Fusion Category :

Fusion category is a finite semisimple  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear rigid monoidal category such that monoidal unit is simple.

**Definition 1.8.** Braided Fusion Category :

A braided fusion category  $M$  is a fusion category along with the following isomorphisms

$$\sigma_{x,y} : x \otimes y \longrightarrow y \otimes x$$

where  $x, y \in M$  such that the following diagrams commute.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 x \otimes 1 & \xrightarrow{\beta_x} & x \\
 \downarrow \sigma_{1,x} & \nearrow \gamma_x & \\
 1 \otimes x & & 
 \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & x \otimes (y \otimes z) & \xrightarrow{\sigma_{x,y \otimes z}} & (y \otimes z) \otimes x \\
 & \nearrow \alpha_{x,y,z} & & & \searrow \alpha_{y,z,x} \\
 (x \otimes y) \otimes z & & & & y \otimes (z \otimes x) \\
 & \searrow \sigma_{x,y \otimes 1_z} & & \nearrow 1_y \otimes \sigma_{x,z} & \\
 & & (y \otimes x) \otimes z & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{x,y,z}} & y \otimes (x \otimes z)
 \end{array}$$

**Definition 1.9.** Pivotal Structure on a fusion category is an isomorphism,

$$\delta_A : A \rightarrow A^{**}, \text{ such that}$$

$$\delta_{A \otimes B} = \delta_A \otimes \delta_B$$

$$\delta_1 = 1$$

**Definition 1.10.** Ribbon Fusion Category is a Braided Fusion Category with a pivotal structure which is compatible with braiding.

$$\theta_A = \gamma_A \circ \delta_A : A \rightarrow A \text{ via } A^{**}$$

Note : Braided Fusion Category with a pivotal structure is not always a Ribbon Fusion Category, as the pivotal structure must be compatible with braiding.

**Definition 1.11.** Spherical Fusion Category :

Let  $f \in \text{End}(X)$  where  $X$  is a simple object in  $C$  i.e.,  $f : X \rightarrow X$  then right trace of the map  $f$  is given by

$$\text{Tr}^r(f) = 1 \rightarrow x \otimes x^* \rightarrow x^{**} \otimes x^* \rightarrow x \otimes x^* \rightarrow 1$$

On similar lines,

$$\text{Tr}^l(f) = 1 \rightarrow x^* \otimes x \rightarrow x^* \otimes x^{**} \rightarrow x^* \otimes x \rightarrow 1$$

Fusion Category is said to be spherical if  $\text{Tr}^l(f) = \text{Tr}^r(f) \forall f \in C$

**Definition 1.12.** Quantum Dimension of an object  $X$  in category  $C$  is given by  $d_X := \text{Tr}(1_X)$ , we define  $D = \sum d_i^2$

**Definition 1.13.** We define the modular matrix  $S$ , whose elements are given by

$$s_{ij} = \text{Tr}(1_{i \otimes j}) = d_{i \otimes j}, \forall i, j \in C$$

Finally we define Modular Tensor Category (MTC),

**Definition 1.14.** Modular Tensor Category :

MTC is a RFC such that the  $\det(S) \neq 0$ .

### 1.1.3 Left, Right Modules over a Category

We define a left module over a tensor category, this is later used to define the boundaries for the Levin-Wen Models in Chapter 3.

**Definition 1.15.** Left Module Category:

Left Module Category over a monoidal category  $C$ , is a category  $M$  equipped with a  $C$  action : a functor  $\otimes : C \otimes M \rightarrow M$  such that there are isomorphisms :

$$\begin{aligned} X \otimes (Y \otimes M') &\rightarrow (X \otimes Y) \otimes M' \\ \mathbf{1} \otimes M' &\rightarrow M' \end{aligned}$$

for  $X, Y \in C$  and  $M' \in M$  satisfying some coherence conditions.

The definition of Right module is on similar lines.

## 1.2 Drinfeld Double of a Group

To introduce the Drinfeld Double of a Group, denoted by  $D(G)$ , we first define Algebras, Co-algebras, Bialgebras and Hopf Algebras.

### 1.2.1 Algebras, Co-algebras, Hopf Algebras

**Definition 1.16.** Algebra :

Let  $A$  be a vector space over a field  $K$ . The triple  $(A, m, \eta)$  is an associative algebra, where

$m : A \otimes A \rightarrow A$  (multiplication map),

$\eta : K \rightarrow A$  (unit map),

such that  $m, \eta$  satisfy the following commutation diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \otimes A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m \circ id_A} & A \otimes A \\ \downarrow id_A \circ m & & \downarrow m \\ A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m} & A \end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
A & \xrightarrow{id_A \circ \eta} & A \otimes A \\
\downarrow \eta \circ A & & \downarrow m \\
A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m} & A
\end{array}$$

**Definition 1.17.** Co-Algebra :

Let  $C$  be a vector space over a field  $K$ . The triple  $(C, n, \delta)$  is a co-algebra, where

$n : C \rightarrow C \otimes C$  (comultiplication map)

$\delta : C \rightarrow K$  (counit map),

such that  $m, \delta$  satisfy the following commutation diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
C & \xrightarrow{n} & C \otimes C \\
\downarrow n & & \downarrow id_C \circ n \\
C \otimes C & \xrightarrow{n \circ id_C} & C \otimes C \otimes C
\end{array}$$

and

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
C & \xrightarrow{\delta} & C \otimes C \\
\downarrow \delta & & \downarrow id_C \otimes \delta \\
C \otimes C & \xrightarrow{\delta \otimes id_C} & C
\end{array}$$

**Definition 1.18.** Bialgebra :

Let  $B$  be a vector space over a field  $K$ . A quintuple  $(B, m, n, \eta, \delta)$  is a bialgebra, where  $(B, m, \eta)$  is an algebra and  $(B, n, \delta)$  is a co-algebra.

**Definition 1.19.** Hopf Algebra:

Let  $H$  be a vector space over a field  $K$ . The quintuple  $(H, m, n, \eta, \delta)$  along with the antipode map  $S$

$$S : H \rightarrow H$$

such that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
H \otimes H & \xrightarrow{id_H \otimes S} & H \otimes H & & \\
\uparrow n & & \downarrow m & & \\
H & \xrightarrow{\delta} & K & \xrightarrow{\eta} & H \\
\downarrow n & & & & \uparrow m \\
H \otimes H & \xrightarrow{S \otimes id_H} & H \otimes H & & 
\end{array}$$

forms a Hopf Algebra.

### 1.2.2 Drinfeld Double (Quantum Double) of a finite group

Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $K$  be a field. The group algebra  $K[G]$  is the set of all linear combinations of elements from  $G$  with the scalars coming from the field  $K$ . This forms a vector space and by defining the comultiplication  $n(g) := g \otimes g$  and counit by  $\delta(g) = 1$ , and the antipode  $S(g) = g^{-1}$  turns the group algebra  $K[G]$  into a Hopf Algebra by the above definitions.

Let  $K(G)$  be the set of functions on  $G$  with values in  $K$ . The basis space is given by  $\delta_g$  defined by the projection  $\delta_g(h) = \delta_{g,h}$ . This forms a vector space and is an algebra with point-wise multiplication, with the unit given by  $\eta : K \rightarrow K(G)$  is defined by  $\eta(\lambda)(g) = \lambda$ , with comultiplication, counit and antipode given by :

$$(nf)(g, h) = f(gh), \delta(f) = f(e), (Sf)(g) = f(g^{-1})$$

Thus,  $K(G)$  is a Hopf Algebra using the above definitions.

**Definition 1.20.** Quantum Double of a group  $G$ ,  $D(G)$  :

The vector space  $K(G) \otimes K[G]$  along with the following structure :

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_g \otimes x)(\delta_h \otimes y) &= \delta_{gx, xh}(\delta_g \otimes xy), \\ 1 &= \sum_{g \in G} \delta_g \otimes e, \\ n(\delta_g \otimes x) &= \sum_{g_1 g_2 = g} (\delta_{g_1} \otimes x) \otimes (\delta_{g_2} \otimes x), \\ \Delta(\delta_g \otimes x) &= \delta_{g,e}, \\ S(\delta_g \otimes x) &= \delta_{x^{-1}g^{-1}x} \otimes x^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

forms a Hopf Algebra, which is defined as Quantum Double of a group  $G$ ,  $D(G)$ .

### 1.2.3 Representations of Drinfeld Double of a Group

Consider an element  $a \in G$  and let  $\pi$  be a representation of  $Z(a)$  over the vector space  $W$  with basis  $\{w_1, \dots, w_d\}$ . Define the vector space  $V_{a,\pi}$  with the basis  $\{|b, w_i\rangle : b \in$

$\bar{a}, 1 \leq i \leq d\}$ .  $V_{\bar{a}, \pi}$  is a representation of  $D(G)$  as follows. For any  $b \in a$  fix  $k_b \in G$  such that  $b = k_b a k_b^{-1}$ . Observe that  $k_{bg^{-1}}^{-1} g k_b$  is always in  $Z(a)$ , for any  $w \in W$ ,  $b \in \bar{a}$ , and  $gh^* \in D(G)$  define

$$gh^*|b, w\rangle = \delta_{h,b}|gbg^{-1}, \pi(k_{bg^{-1}}^{-1} g k_b)w\rangle$$

The above action gives a representation of  $D(G)$ , the character of this representation is given by,

$$\chi_{(\bar{a}, \pi)}(gh^*) = \delta_{h \in \bar{a}} \delta_{gh, hg} \text{tr}_{\pi}(k_h^{-1} g k_h)$$

All the irreducible representations of the  $D(G)$  are indexed by the irreducible representations of the centralizer of the conjugacy classes. For more detailed treatment refer to [2, 3]

### 1.3 Algebras, Left (Right), BiModules over Algebras in a Category

The section aims to present the definitions of Algebras in a Category, Left(Right), Bi-Modules over Algebras in a category. These would be used later to outline the boundary excitations as presented by Kong [4] :

**Definition 1.21.** Algebra :

Let  $A$  be an object in a category  $C$ . An algebra is a triple  $(A, m, \eta)$  where

$m : A \otimes A \rightarrow A$ ,  $\eta : K \rightarrow A$ , where  $K$  is a simple object.

such that  $m, \eta$  satisfy the following commutation diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \otimes A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m \circ id_A} & A \otimes A \\ \downarrow id_A \circ m & & \downarrow m \\ A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m} & A \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{id_A \circ \eta} & A \otimes A \\ \downarrow \eta \circ A & & \downarrow m \\ A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{m} & A \end{array}$$

Given algebra  $A$  in category  $C$ , the right A-module is given by the following :



**Definition 1.22.** Right A-module :

The right module of an algebra  $A$  has objects as pairs  $(M, \rho_M)$  where  $M \in C$ , and  $\rho_M$  is given by  $\rho_M : M \otimes A \rightarrow M$ , such that the following commutation diagram is satisfied:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \otimes A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\rho_M \circ id_A} & M \otimes A \\ \downarrow id_M \circ m & & \downarrow \rho_M \\ M \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\rho_M} & A \end{array}$$

Similarly we define the left module, a A-bimodule  $M$  is a triple equipped with both  $\rho_M^l$  and  $\rho_M^r$ .

**Definition 1.23.** Commutative Algebra:

Algebra  $(A, m, \eta)$  in  $C$  is said to be commutative if there exists a natural transformation  $C_{M,A}$  given by

$$C_{M,A} : M \otimes A \rightarrow A \otimes M, \text{ where } M \in C$$

**Definition 1.24.** Separable Algebra :

Algebra  $(A, m, \eta)$  in  $C$  is called separable if there exists a bimodule map  $e : A \rightarrow A \otimes A$  such that  $m \circ e = id_A$ . A separable algebra is called connected if  $dim(hom(1, A)) = 1$

**Definition 1.25.** Local Module over a commutative Algebra:

Let  $A$  be a commutative Algebra in  $C$ . Let  $(M, \mu_M)$  be a right A-module.  $(M, \mu_M)$  is called local if the following commutation diagram holds :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \otimes M & \xrightarrow{\mu_M} & M \\ \downarrow C_{A,M} & & \uparrow \mu_M \\ M \otimes A & \xrightarrow{C_{M,A}} & A \otimes M \end{array}$$

## Chapter 2

# Kitaev Quantum Double Model

### 2.1 Introduction to Quantum Double Models

This section is heavily inspired by [2]. Given a group  $G$ , consider a lattice with each edge being associated with a Hilbert space and indexed by a group element. A site in the lattice is given by a pair of adjacent vertex and face. For a given site (vertex  $v$  and face  $f$ ), define the vertex operator  $A_v^g$  and face operator  $B_s^h$  as in figure 2.1 :

. The Hamiltonian for the lattice is given by

$$H = -\sum_v A_v - \sum_f B_f$$

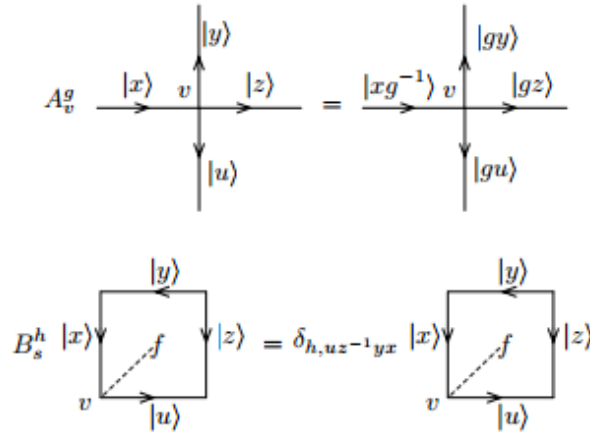


FIGURE 2.1: Definition of the  $A_v^g$  and  $B_s^h$  operators on a arbitrary vertex and face

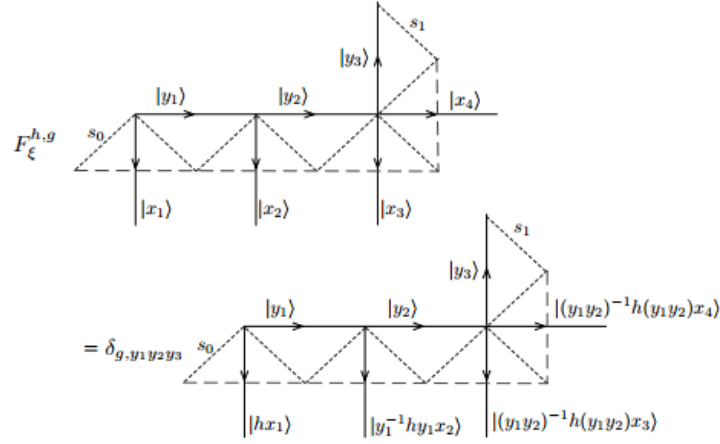


FIGURE 2.2: Definition of a ribbon operator on an arbitrary lattice

### 2.1.1 Ribbon operators, Excitations, Anyon types

A ribbon  $\xi$  in the lattice is a sequence of adjacent sites connecting two sites  $s_0$  and  $s_1$ . The ribbon operator  $F_\xi^{h,g}$  is defined as in figure 2.2 :

For a ribbon connecting the sites  $s_0$  and  $s_1$ , and if any site in the adjacent sequence is given by  $t$ , the ribbon operator defined above satisfy the following commutation relationships,

$$\begin{aligned}
 [F_\xi^{h,g}, A_t^k] &= [F_\xi^{h,g}, B_t^s] = 0, \\
 A_{s_0}^k F_\xi^{h,g} &= F_\xi^{k h k^{-1}, g} A_{s_0}^k \\
 B_{s_0}^k F_\xi^{h,g} &= F_\xi^{h, g} B_{s_0}^k \\
 A_{s_1}^k F_\xi^{h,g} &= F_\xi^{h, g k^{-1}} A_{s_1}^k \\
 B_{s_1}^k F_\xi^{h,g} &= F_\xi^{h, g} B_{s_1}^{g^{-1} h^{-1} g k}
 \end{aligned}$$

The application of ribbon operator on the ground state, gives rise to quasi-particle excitations at the end of the ribbon. The excitations are independent of the topology of the ribbon operator. Therefore the excitations can be moved around the lattice by extending/contracting the ribbon. Fusion of two quasi-particle excitations can be achieved by moving them to the same site and fusing them, the resultant describes a system of anyons.

Anyon types for a Kitaev Quantum Double are in one-to-one correspondance with the irreducible representations of the Drinfeld Double of the group, which are in one-to-one

correspondance with the irreducible representations of the centralizers of the conjugacy classes of the group [2]. The method to compute this for any finite group has been presented in Appendix A and has been computed for various groups like  $Z_2, S_3, D_4$  the first one being the case of Toric Code.

### 2.1.2 Introduction of boundaries, Condensates, Ribbon operators

Consider a lattice as above but with a boundary, that is with a lattice on one half and nothing on the other side, and the edges connecting both the half planes being the boundary. The edges on the boundary are associated with a Hilbert space  $C[K]$ , where  $C$  is the complex field and  $K \subset G$  and indexed by elements of  $K$ . The vertex and the face operator for the internal lattice remain as defined in the introduction, but for the boundary the vertex and face operators are defined as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} A_s^K &= \frac{1}{|K|} \sum_{k \in K} A_s^k \\ B_s^K &= \sum_{k \in K} B_s^k \end{aligned}$$

where  $s$  is a site on the boundary.

The hamiltonian of the system with the boundary is given by,

$$H = -\sum_v A_v - \sum_f B_f - \sum_s (A_s^K + B_s^K)$$

To construct a ribbon  $T = \sum_{h,g} c_{h,g} F_\xi^{h,g}$ , connecting the sites in the bulk to the sites on the boundary, the ribbon should satisfy the commutation relationship mentioned in the previous section

$$\begin{aligned} A_{s_0}^k T &= T A_{s_0}^k \\ B_{s_0}^k T &= F_\xi^{h,g} B_{s_0}^{kh} \end{aligned}$$

along with the following commutation relationships :

$$\begin{aligned} [T, A_{s_0}^K] &= 0 , \\ [T, B_{s_0}^K] &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solving for  $T$ , gives

$$T^{(k,g)} = \sum_{l \in K} F_{\xi}^{(lkl^{-1}, lg^{-1})}$$

We now present the various  $T^{(k,g)}$  for the subgroups of  $S_3$ . Consider the subgroup  $K = G$ , we compute the  $T^{(k,g)}$  for various combinations of  $k$  and  $g$ .

### 2.1.2.1 Ribbon operators in a lattice with boundaries in the case of $S_3$

Using the following snippet, we group the summation for each of the subgroup

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sage: G = SymmetricGroup(3)
sage: K = G.subgroups()[5]
sage: x = []
sage: y = []
sage: for k in K:
    for g in G:
        for l in K:
            x.append([l*k*l^-1, l*g^-1])
.....:
sage: for i in range(len(x)/6):
    y.append(x[6*i:6*(i+1)])

sage: y
# The first element is given by lkl^-1 and second element by lg^-1, which allows
# us to read of the T^{(k,g)} from the first element of every summation.

# For the case k = e and g running over all group elements.

[[(), ()], [(), (2,3)], [(), (1,2,3)], [(), (1,2)],
 [(), (1,3,2)], [(), (1,3)]],
[[(), (1,2)], [(), (1,2,3)], [(), (2,3)], [(), ()],
 [(), (1,3)], [(), (1,3,2)]],
[[(), (1,3,2)], [(), (1,3)], [(), ()], [(), (2,3)],
 [(), (1,2,3)], [(), (1,2)]],
[[(), (1,2,3)], [(), (1,2)], [(), (1,3,2)], [(), (1,3)],
 [(), ()], [(), (2,3)]],
[[(), (2,3)], [(), ()], [(), (1,3)], [(), (1,3,2)],
 [(), (1,2)], [(), (1,2,3)]],
[[(), (1,3)], [(), (1,3,2)], [(), (1,2)], [(), (1,2,3)],
 [(), (2,3)], [(), ()]],

# Therefore, T^{(e,e)} is given by the first sum and similarly others.
# So for the element e, the operators collapse to a single operator given by
# T^{(e,g)} = summation(F^{(e,g)}) over all g \in G. Implying all the six collapse to a single o

# For the case k = (2,3) and g running over all group elements.
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[[ (2,3), () ], [ (2,3), (2,3) ], [ (1,2), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,3), (1,2) ],
[ (1,3), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,2), (1,3) ]],
[[ (2,3), (1,2) ], [ (2,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,2), (2,3) ], [ (1,3), () ],
[ (1,3), (1,3) ], [ (1,2), (1,3,2) ]],
[[ (2,3), (1,3,2) ], [ (2,3), (1,3) ], [ (1,2), () ], [ (1,3), (2,3) ],
[ (1,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,2), (1,2) ]],
[[ (2,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (2,3), (1,2) ], [ (1,2), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,3), (1,3) ],
[ (1,3), () ], [ (1,2), (2,3) ]],
[[ (2,3), (2,3) ], [ (2,3), () ], [ (1,2), (1,3) ], [ (1,3), (1,3,2) ],
[ (1,3), (1,2) ], [ (1,2), (1,2,3) ]],
[[ (2,3), (1,3) ], [ (2,3), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,2), (1,2) ], [ (1,3), (1,2,3) ],
[ (1,3), (2,3) ], [ (1,2), () ]],

# In this case, (Performing a right multiplication gives the same results !)
# T^((2,3), e) = T^((2,3), (2,3)),
# T^((2,3), (1,2)) = T^((2,3), (1,3,2))
# T^((2,3), (1,2,3)) = T^((2,3), (1,3))

# Therefore 6 operators reduce to 3.

# For the case k = (1,2,3) and g running over all group elements.

[[ (1,2,3), () ], [ (1,3,2), (2,3) ], [ (1,2,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,2) ],
[ (1,2,3), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,3) ]],
[[ (1,2,3), (1,2) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,2,3), (2,3) ], [ (1,3,2), () ],
[ (1,2,3), (1,3) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,3,2) ]],
[[ (1,2,3), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,3) ], [ (1,2,3), () ], [ (1,3,2), (2,3) ],
[ (1,2,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,2) ]],
[[ (1,2,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,2) ], [ (1,2,3), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,3) ],
[ (1,2,3), () ], [ (1,3,2), (2,3) ]],
[[ (1,2,3), (2,3) ], [ (1,3,2), () ], [ (1,2,3), (1,3) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,3,2) ],
[ (1,2,3), (1,2) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,2,3) ]],
[[ (1,2,3), (1,3) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,2,3), (1,2) ], [ (1,3,2), (1,2,3) ],
[ (1,2,3), (2,3) ], [ (1,3,2), () ]],

# In this case, again using the same rule as above it is easy to see
# T^((1,2,3), e) = T^((1,2,3), (1,2,3)) = T^((1,2,3), (1,3,2))
# T^((1,2,3), (1,2)) = T^((1,2,3), (1,3)) = T^((1,2,3), (2,3))

# Therefore 6 operators collapse to 2.

# For the case k = (1,2) and g running over all group elements.

[[ (1,2), () ], [ (1,3), (2,3) ], [ (1,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,2), (1,2) ],
[ (2,3), (1,3,2) ], [ (2,3), (1,3) ]],
[[ (1,2), (1,2) ], [ (1,3), (1,2,3) ], [ (1,3), (2,3) ], [ (1,2), () ],
[ (2,3), (1,3) ], [ (2,3), (1,3,2) ]],
[[ (1,2), (1,3,2) ], [ (1,3), (1,3) ], [ (1,3), () ], [ (1,2), (2,3) ],

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[(2,3), (1,2,3)], [(2,3), (1,2)],
[[ (1,2), (1,2,3)], [(1,3), (1,2)], [(1,3), (1,3,2)], [(1,2), (1,3)],
[(2,3), ()], [(2,3), (2,3)]],
[[ (1,2), (2,3)], [(1,3), ()], [(1,3), (1,3)], [(1,2), (1,3,2)],
[(2,3), (1,2)], [(2,3), (1,2,3)]],
[[ (1,2), (1,3)], [(1,3), (1,3,2)], [(1,3), (1,2)], [(1,2), (1,2,3)],
[(2,3), (2,3)], [(2,3), ()]]

# In this case, again using the same rule as above it is easy to see
#  $T^{\{((1,2), e)\}} = T^{\{((1,2), (1,2))\}}$ ,
#  $T^{\{((1,2), (1,3))\}} = T^{\{((1,2), (1,3,2))\}}$ 
#  $T^{\{((1,2), (1,2,3))\}} = T^{\{((1,2), (2,3))\}}$ 

# But in this case we also have
#  $T^{\{((1,2), e)\}} = T^{\{((2,3), (1,2,3))\}}$ 
#  $T^{\{((1,2), (1,3))\}} = T^{\{((2,3), e)\}}$ 
#  $T^{\{((1,2), (1,2,3))\}} = T^{\{((2,3), (1,3,2))\}}$ 

# So again in this case 6 operators reduce to 3 but these are mapped to the previous maps.

# For the case  $k = (1,3,2)$  and  $g$  running over all group elements.

[[ (1,3,2), ()], [(1,2,3), (2,3)], [(1,3,2), (1,2,3)], [(1,2,3), (1,2)],
[(1,3,2), (1,3,2)], [(1,2,3), (1,3)]],
[[ (1,3,2), (1,2)], [(1,2,3), (1,2,3)], [(1,3,2), (2,3)], [(1,2,3), ()],
[(1,3,2), (1,3)], [(1,2,3), (1,3,2)]],
[[ (1,3,2), (1,3,2)], [(1,2,3), (1,3)], [(1,3,2), ()], [(1,2,3), (2,3)],
[(1,3,2), (1,2,3)], [(1,2,3), (1,2)]],
[[ (1,3,2), (1,2,3)], [(1,2,3), (1,2)], [(1,3,2), (1,3,2)], [(1,2,3), (1,3)],
[(1,3,2), ()], [(1,2,3), (2,3)]],
[[ (1,3,2), (2,3)], [(1,2,3), ()], [(1,3,2), (1,3)], [(1,2,3), (1,3,2)],
[(1,3,2), (1,2)], [(1,2,3), (1,2,3)]],
[[ (1,3,2), (1,3)], [(1,2,3), (1,3,2)], [(1,3,2), (1,2)], [(1,2,3), (1,2,3)],
[(1,3,2), (2,3)], [(1,2,3), ()]],

# In this case, again using the same rule as above it is easy to see
#  $T^{\{((1,3,2), e)\}} = T^{\{((1,3,2), (1,3,2))\}} = T^{\{((1,3,2), (1,2,3))\}}$ 
#  $T^{\{((1,2,3), (1,2))\}} = T^{\{((1,2,3), (1,3))\}} = T^{\{((1,2,3), (2,3))\}}$ 

# But in this case we also have
#  $T^{\{((1,3,2), e)\}} = T^{\{((1,2,3), (1,2))\}}$ 
#  $T^{\{((1,3,2), (1,2))\}} = T^{\{((1,2,3), e)\}}$ 

# As expected we have a reduction from 6 to 2, but these are again mapped.

# For the case  $k = (1,2)$  and  $g$  running over all group elements.
[[ (1,3), ()], [(1,2), (2,3)], [(2,3), (1,2,3)], [(2,3), (1,2)],
[(1,2), (1,3,2)], [(1,3), (1,3)]],

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[[ (1,3), (1,2)], [(1,2), (1,2,3)], [(2,3), (2,3)], [(2,3), ()],
[(1,2), (1,3)], [(1,3), (1,3,2)],
[[ (1,3), (1,3,2)], [(1,2), (1,3)], [(2,3), ()], [(2,3), (2,3)],
[(1,2), (1,2,3)], [(1,3), (1,2)],
[[ (1,3), (1,2,3)], [(1,2), (1,2)], [(2,3), (1,3,2)], [(2,3), (1,3)],
[(1,2), ()], [(1,3), (2,3)]],
[[ (1,3), (2,3)], [(1,2), ()], [(2,3), (1,3)], [(2,3), (1,3,2)],
[(1,2), (1,2)], [(1,3), (1,2,3)]],
[[ (1,3), (1,3)], [(1,2), (1,3,2)], [(2,3), (1,2)], [(2,3), (1,2,3)],
[(1,2), (2,3)], [(1,3), ()]]

# In this case, again using the same rule as above it is easy to see
# T^((1,3), e) = T^((1,3), (1,3)),
# T^((1,3), (1,2,3)) = T^((1,3), (1,2))
# T^((1,3), (1,3,2)) = T^((1,3), (2,3))

# But in this case we also have
# T^((1,3), e) = T^((1,2), (2,3))
# T^((1,3), (1,2,3)) = T^((1,2), (1,3,2))
# T^((1,3), (1,3,2)) = T^((1,2), (1,2))

# So again in this case 6 operators reduce to 3 but these are mapped to the previous maps.

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So in the above case where  $K = G$  we have reduced 36 operators to 6 unique operators.

Carrying out a similar analysis for  $K = \{e\}$ , we again end up with 6 operators as follows

:

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sage: G = SymmetricGroup(3)
sage: K = G.subgroups()[0]
sage: K
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group) generated by [()]
sage: for k in K:
    for g in G:
        for l in K:
            print k,g,l*k*l^-1, l*g^-1
.....:
() () () ()
() (1,2) () (1,2)
() (1,2,3) () (1,3,2)
() (1,3,2) () (1,2,3)
() (2,3) () (2,3)
() (1,3) () (1,3)

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Hence the unique 6 operators are given by  $T^{(e,e)}, T^{(e,(1,2))}, T^{(e,(2,3))}, T^{(e,(1,3))}, T^{(e,(1,2,3))}, T^{(e,(1,3,2))}$  give out  $F^{(e,e)}, F^{(e,(1,2))}, F^{(e,(2,3))}, F^{(e,(1,3))}, F^{(e,(1,2,3))}, F^{(e,(1,3,2))}$  in terms of  $F_{\xi}^{(h,g)}$  which is defined on the sites.

Carrying out a similar analysis for  $K = \{e, \tau\}$ , we again end up with 6 operators as follows :

```
sage: G = SymmetricGroup(3)
sage: K = G.subgroups()[1]
sage: K
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group) generated by [(2,3)]
sage: for k in K:
    for g in G:
        for l in K:
            print k,g,l*k*l^-1, l*g^-1
() () () ()
() () () (2,3)
() (1,2) () (1,2)
() (1,2) () (1,2,3)
() (1,2,3) () (1,3,2)
() (1,2,3) () (1,3)
() (1,3,2) () (1,2,3)
() (1,3,2) () (1,2)
() (2,3) () (2,3)
() (2,3) () ()
() (1,3) () (1,3)
() (1,3) () (1,3,2)
(2,3) () (2,3) ()
(2,3) () (2,3) (2,3)
(2,3) (1,2) (2,3) (1,2)
(2,3) (1,2) (2,3) (1,2,3)
(2,3) (1,2,3) (2,3) (1,3,2)
(2,3) (1,2,3) (2,3) (1,3)
(2,3) (1,3,2) (2,3) (1,2,3)
(2,3) (1,3,2) (2,3) (1,2)
(2,3) (2,3) (2,3) (2,3)
(2,3) (2,3) (2,3) ()
(2,3) (1,3) (2,3) (1,3)
(2,3) (1,3) (2,3) (1,3,2)
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It is easy to see that the 12 operators reduce to unique 6,

$$T^{(e,e)} = F^{(e,e)} + F^{(e,(2,3))},$$

$$T^{(e,(1,2))} = F^{(e,(1,2))} + F^{(e,(1,2,3))},$$

$$T^{(e,(1,2,3))} = F^{(e,1,3,2)} + F^{(e,(1,3))},$$

$$T^{((2,3),e)} = F^{((2,3),e)} + F^{((2,3),(2,3))},$$

$$T^{((2,3),(1,2))} = F^{((2,3),(1,2))} + F^{((2,3),(1,2,3))},$$

$$T^{((2,3),(1,2,3))} = F^{((2,3),(1,3,2))} + F^{((2,3),(1,3))},$$

### 2.1.2.2 Explicit Ribbon operators with boundary $K = \{e, \tau\} \subset S_3$ in terms of basis

The section aims to present the explicit form of the operators generated in the case of  $K = \{e, \tau\}$ , in terms of the basis of the algebra of the ribbon operators [5]. The  $F$  operators are represented in terms of the basis  $F^{RC}u(i, j)v(i', j')$ , where  $R$  is the irreducible representation of the center of the conjugacy class  $C$ , is given by:

$$F_{\xi}^{h,g} = \sum_{R \in N_{C_{irred}}} \sum_{j,j'=1}^{n_R} \Gamma_R^{j,j'}(n_{(h,g)}) F^{RC}u(i, j)v(i', j')$$

where  $h^{-1} \in C$ ,  $n_{(h,g)} = q_{i(h^{-1})}^{-1} g q_{i(g^{-1}h^{-1}g)}$ . Here  $\Gamma$  is the unitary matrix representation of the element  $n_{(h,g)}$ . We list the representation of  $S_3$  as it is the center of the conjugacy class of  $e$ .

Elements	1-dim	1-dim	2-dim
$e$	[1]	[1]	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
$(1, 2, 3)$	[1]	[1]	$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$
$(1, 3, 2)$	[1]	[1]	$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$
$(1, 2)$	[1]	[-1]	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
$(2, 3)$	[1]	[-1]	$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$
$(1, 3)$	[1]	[-1]	$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

$F^{(e,e)}$ , here  $h^{-1}$  is in the conjugacy class of  $e$  and its centralizer is  $S_3$  itself. So we have three irreps  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3$  whose degrees are 1,1,2. Therefore  $F^{(e,e)}$  is given by :

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma_{\pi_1}^{1,1}(n_{(e,e)})F^{\pi_1\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \Gamma_{\pi_2}^{1,1}(n_{(e,e)})F^{\pi_2\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \\ & \Gamma_{\pi_3}^{1,1}(n_{(e,e)})F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \Gamma_{\pi_3}^{1,2}(n_{(e,e)})F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',2) + \\ & \Gamma_{\pi_3}^{2,1}(n_{(e,e)})F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(2,1)v(i',1) + \Gamma_{\pi_3}^{2,2}(n_{(e,e)})F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',2) \end{aligned}$$

which reduces to

$$F^{(e,e)} = F^{\pi_1\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + F^{\pi_2\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',2)$$

$F^{(e,(2,3))}$  is given by a similar structure, noting that  $n_{(e,(2,3))} = (2,3)$ , therefore the sum reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(e,(2,3))} &= F^{\pi_1\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) - F^{\pi_2\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \frac{1}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \\ & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',2) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',1) - \frac{1}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',2) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $T^{(e,e)} = F^{(e,e)} + F^{(e,(2,3))}$ , is given by

$$\begin{aligned} T^{(e,e)} &= 2F^{\pi_1\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \frac{3}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',2) + \\ & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',1) + \frac{1}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',2) \end{aligned}$$

On similar lines,  $T^{(e,(1,2))} = F^{(e,(1,2))} + F^{(e,(1,2,3))}$  we need to compute  $F^{(e,(1,2))}$  and  $F^{(e,(1,2,3))}$

For  $F^{(e,(1,2))}$ , we need  $n_{(e,(1,2))} = (1,2)$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(e,(1,2))} &= \\ & F^{\pi_1\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) - F^{\pi_2\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) - F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',2) \end{aligned}$$

For  $F^{(e,(1,2,3))}$ , we need  $n_{(e,(1,2,3))} = (1,2,3)$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(e,(1,2,3))} &= F^{\pi_1\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + F^{\pi_2\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) - \frac{1}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \\ & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',2) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',1) - \frac{1}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',2) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $T^{(e,(1,2))}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} T^{(e,(1,2))} &= 2F^{\pi_1\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) - \frac{3}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',1) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,1)v(i',2) - \\ & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',1) + \frac{1}{2}F^{\pi_3\bar{e}}u(i,2)v(i',2) \end{aligned}$$

On similar lines,  $T^{(e,(1,2,3))} = F^{(e,(1,3,2))} + F^{(e,(1,3))}$  we need to compute  $F^{(e,(1,3,2))}$  and  $F^{(e,(1,3))}$

For  $F^{(e,(1,3,2))}$ , we need  $n_{(e,(1,3,2))} = (1, 3, 2)$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(e,(1,3,2))} &= F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) + F^{\pi_2 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) - \frac{1}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) - \\ &\quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 2) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 2) v(i', 1) - \frac{1}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 2) v(i', 2) \end{aligned}$$

For  $F^{(e,(1,3))}$ , we need  $n_{(e,(1,3))} = (1, 3)$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(e,(1,3))} &= F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) - F^{\pi_2 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) + \frac{1}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) - \\ &\quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 2) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 2) v(i', 1) - \frac{1}{2} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 2) v(i', 2) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $T^{(e,(1,3,2))}$  is given by

$$T^{(e,(1,3,2))} = 2F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) - \sqrt{3} F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 2) - F^{\pi_3 \bar{e}} u(i, 2) v(i', 2)$$

On similar lines,  $T^{((2,3),e)} = F^{((2,3),e)} + F^{((2,3),(2,3))}$  we need to compute  $F^{((2,3),e)}$  and  $F^{((2,3),(2,3))}$

For  $F^{((2,3),e)}$ , we need  $n_{((2,3),e)} = e$  and hence

$$F^{((2,3),e)} = F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) + F^{\pi_2 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1)$$

For  $F^{((2,3),(2,3))}$ , we need  $n_{((2,3),(2,3))} = (2, 3)$  and hence

$$F^{(2,3),e} = F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1) - F^{\pi_2 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1)$$

Therefore  $T^{(2,3),e)}$  is given by

$$T^{((2,3),e)} = 2F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1)$$

Similarly we have the other two ribbon operators given by

$$T^{((2,3),(1,2))} = 2F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1)$$

$$T^{((2,3),(1,2,3))} = 2F^{\pi_1 \bar{e}} u(i, 1) v(i', 1)$$

Here the  $i'$  varies over 1,2,3, giving rise to different  $T$  operators.

The above representation was computed with an idea to further reduce the number of operators, with an expectation of compressing 6 operators to three which further give rise to three ground states (thus verifying the fact that there are three ground states in the given system). But, as seen this happens to be a basis transformation, the calculation of the ground state is presented in the next section.

### 2.1.2.3 Excitation condensation on various boundaries for $D(S_3)$

The excitations in a Quantum Double model are given by irreps of the centralizers of the conjugacy class of the group. The character of a particular representation  $\pi$  is given by  $\chi_{(\bar{a},\pi)}$  :

$$\chi_{(\bar{a},\pi)}(gh^*) = \delta_{h \in \bar{a}} \delta_{gh,hg} \text{tr}_\pi(k_h^{-1} g k_h),$$

as  $h \in \bar{a}$  is one of the conditions to be satisfied,  $k_h$  is some element in  $G$  such that  $h = k_h a k_h^{-1}$

For  $k \in K$  and  $g \in G$  define  $|\psi_K^{k,g}\rangle = T^{(k,g)}|\psi_K\rangle$  and let  $A(K)$  be the span of these vectors. Let  $\chi_{A(K)}$  be the character of the representation  $A(K)$ .

$$\chi_{A(K)}(hg^*) = \frac{1}{|K|} \delta_{gh,hg} \sum_{x \in G} \delta_{xgx^{-1} \in K} \delta_{xhx^{-1} \in K}$$

To compute whether a particular excitation condenses at the boundary, the inner product defined as

$$\langle \chi_1, \chi_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g,h} (\chi_1(gh^*)^* \chi_2(gh^*))$$

of the above characters is observed, if it is positive the excitation associated with the irrep of  $D(G)$  condenses at the boundary.

Consider the case of  $S_3$ , the following are the conjugacy classes  $\{e\}$ ,  $\{\tau\}$  and  $\{\sigma\}$  where  $\{e, \tau, \sigma\}$  form the presentation of the group. The corresponding centralizer for each of the conjugacy classes are given by  $S_3$ ,  $\{e, \tau\}$ ,  $\{e, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}$ , whose corresponding irreps are  $\{1, \text{sign}, \pi\}$ , (where 1, sign are one dimensional irreps of  $S_3$  and  $\pi$  is a two dimensional

irrep.),  $\{1, -1\}$ ,  $\{1, \omega, \omega^*\}$ . For the case of  $S_3$  the irreps of  $D(S_3)$  are indexed by  $V_{a,\pi}$  where  $\pi$  is the representation of the centralizer of the conjugacy class of  $a$ . Put together there are eight excitations in  $D(S_3)$  given by  $V_{e,\pi_1}$ ,  $V_{e,\pi_2}$ ,  $V_{e,\pi_3}$ ,  $V_{\tau,\pi_1}$ ,  $V_{\tau,\pi_2}$ ,  $V_{\sigma,\pi_1}$ ,  $V_{\sigma,\pi_2}$ ,  $V_{\sigma,\pi_3}$  which are labelled and referred by  $A, B, C, D, E, F, G, G$ . The following snippet has been used to compute the inner product,

```
sage: def character_1_irred(G, subgroup, g, h):
    sum = 0
    if h*g == g*h:
        for i in G:
            if i*g*i^-1 in subgroup and i*h*i^-1 in subgroup:
                sum = sum + 1
        return sum/len(subgroup)
....:
sage: def character_2_irred(G, conjugacy_class, g, h):
    k_h = 0
    for i in G:
        if h*i == i*conjugacy_class.an_element():
            k_h = i
            break
    if g*h == h*g and k_h != 0:
        return k_h^-1*g*k_h
    else:
        return 0
```

In the above snippet the first function returns the irreducible character of  $A(K)$ . The second function returns the element on which the trace is to be calculated by relating to the representation of the centralizer of the conjugacy class.

$S_3$  is taken as an example to explain further. First the subgroups and the conjugacy classes of  $S_3$  are presented.

```
sage: G = SymmetricGroup(3)
sage: for i in G.subgroups():
....:     print i
....:
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group)
generated by [()]
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group)
generated by [(2,3)]
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group)
generated by [(1,2)]
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group)
generated by [(1,3)]
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group)
```

```

generated by [(1,2,3)]
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group)
generated by [(2,3), (1,2,3)]

sage: for i in G.conjugacy_classes():
.....:     print i
.....:
Conjugacy class of cycle type [1, 1, 1] in
Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group
Conjugacy class of cycle type [2, 1] in
Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group
Conjugacy class of cycle type [3] in
Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group

```

Consider the subgroup  $K = G$ , and for each of the conjugacy classes the element on which the trace is to be calculated is presented :

```

sage: G.subgroups()[5]
Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group)
generated by [(2,3), (1,2,3)]

sage: G.conjugacy_classes()[0]
Conjugacy class of cycle type [1, 1, 1] in
Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[5], i, j),
                  character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[0], i, j))
.....:
(1, ())
(1, (1,2))
(1, (1,2,3))
(1, (1,3,2))
(1, (2,3))
(1, (1,3))

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[5], i, j),
                  character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[1], i, j))
.....:
(1, ())
(1, ())
(1, ())
(1, (1,2))
(1, (1,2))

```

```

(1, (1,2))

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[5], i, j),
                  character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[2], i, j))
.....:
(1, ())
(1, ())
(1, (1,2,3))
(1, (1,3,2))
(1, (1,3,2))
(1, (1,2,3))

```

The reading of the list is as follows : the first loop reads the following :

$$1*tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(1,2) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(2,3) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(1,3) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(1,2,3) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(1,3,2)$$

The character table of  $S_3$  is given by, which gives the trace of the irreducible representations (here in this case the irreducible representation of the centralizer of the conjugacy class of  $e$  is same as the irreducible representations of group  $S_3$ ) :

```

sage: G.character_table()
[ 1 -1  1] - $\pi_{2}$
[ 2  0 -1] - $\pi_{3}$
[ 1  1  1] - $\pi_{1}$

```

Let the respective representations be  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3$ . From the character table for the conjugacy class of  $e$  have  $V_{e,\pi_1}$  to be a condensate as the inner product is greater than zero. Considering the case of  $\pi_2$  the inner product goes to zero therefore  $V_{e,\pi_2}$  does not condense at the boundary. Similarly the case of  $V_{e,\pi_3}$ .

Consider the conjugacy class of  $\{\tau\}$ , the centralizer of the conjugacy classes has irreducible representations as 1 and -1. Reading from the second loop we have the inner product as the following :

$$3*tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 3*tr_{\pi_i}(1,2)$$

which is greater than zero for 1 and zero for -1. Therefore  $V_{\tau,\pi_1}$  forms a condensate while the other does not.



Similarly for the conjugacy class of  $\{\sigma\}$ , the centralizer of the conjugacy class has irreducible representations as 1,  $\omega$ , and  $\omega^*$ . The inner product is given by :

$$2*tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 2*tr_{\pi_i}(1, 2, 3) + 2*tr_{\pi_i}(1, 3, 2)$$

Therefore  $V_{\sigma, \pi_1}$  condense while the other two do not.

Therefore to conclude, in the case of  $K = G$ , A,D,F condense at the boundary.

Now consider the subgroup  $K=\{e\}$ , we perform a similar analysis :

```
sage: for i in G:
....:     for j in G:
....:         print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[0], i, j),
....:                 character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[0], i, j))
....:
(6, ())
```

For the conjugacy class of  $e$  we end up with the following expression for the inner product :

$$6*tr_{\pi_i}(e), \text{for each of } \pi_i$$

the inner product is observed to be greater than zero. Therefore  $V_{e, \pi_i}$ , for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  condense at the boundary.

Therefore to conclude, in the case of  $K = e$ , A,B,C condense at the boundary.

For the other two conjugacy classes i.e.,  $\{\tau\}$  and  $\{\sigma\}$  the inner product goes to zero, therefore none of the excitations indexed by this space condense at the boundary.

Consider the subgroup  $K=\{e, \tau\}$ , we have the following :

```
sage: for i in G:
....:     for j in G:
....:         print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[1], i, j),
....:                 character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[0], i, j))
....:
(3, ())
(1, (1, 2))
(1, (2, 3))
(1, (1, 3))
```

```

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[1], i, j),
                  character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[1], i, j))
.....:
(1, ())
(1, ())
(1, ())
(1, (1,2))
(1, (1,2))
(1, (1,2))

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[1], i, j),
                  character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[2], i, j))
.....:

```

The above results imply the following : For the conjugacy class of  $e$ , the inner product results in the following:

$$3*tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(1,2) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(2,3) + 1*tr_{\pi_i}(1,3)$$

which results in a value greater than zero for  $i=1$  and  $i=3$ . Therefore  $V_{e,\pi_1}, V_{e,\pi_3}$  condense at the boundary while  $V_{e,\pi_2}$  do not.

Looking through the second loop gives the following :

$$3*tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 3*tr_{\pi_i}(1,2)$$

which results in a value greater than zero for the trivial representation that is  $\pi_1$  while the other goes to zero. Therefore  $V_{\tau,\pi_1}$  condense at the boundary.

Therefore, A,C,D condense at the boundary.

Note : These results hold for all 2-cycle subgroups i.e., they belong to the same conjugacy class.

Finally we consider the subgroup  $K=\{e, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}$  :

```

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[4], i, j),

```

```

character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[0], i, j))
.....:
(2, ())
(2, (1,2,3))
(2, (1,3,2))

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[4], i, j),
                  character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[1], i, j))
.....:

sage: for i in G:
      for j in G:
          print (character_1_irred(G, G.subgroups()[4], i, j),
                  character_2_irred(G, G.conjugacy_classes()[2], i, j))
.....:
(2, ())
(2, ())
(2, (1,2,3))
(2, (1,3,2))
(2, (1,3,2))
(2, (1,2,3))

```

Analysis of the results is as follows : For the conjugacy class of  $e$  we have the following sum

$$2*tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 2*tr_{\pi_i}(1,2,3) + 2*tr_{\pi_i}(1,3,2)$$

For the representations  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  we have the inner product to be greater than zero, therefore  $V_{e,\pi_1}, V_{e,\pi_2}$  condense at the boundary.

None from the conjugacy class  $\{\tau\}$  condense at the boundary.

While in the case of the conjugacy class  $\{\sigma\}$  the inner product is as the following :

$$4*tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 2*tr_{\pi_i}(1,2,3) + 2*tr_{\pi_i}(1,3,2)$$

which is greater than zero only when  $i=1$ . Therefore  $V_{\sigma,\pi_1}$  condense at the boundary.

Therefore A,B,F condense at the boundary.

Therefore to summarize :

For the subgroup  $K=G$ ,  $A, D, F$  condense

For the subgroup  $K=\{e\}$ ,  $A, B, C$  condense

For the subgroup  $K=\{e, \tau\}$ ,  $A, C, D$  condense

For the subgroup  $K=\{e, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}$ ,  $A, B, F$  condense

### Calculating the number of times a particular excitation condenses at the boundary

To calculate the number of times a particular excitation condenses at the boundary the following relation is used [2]:

$$\chi_{A(K)} = \sum_{(a,\pi)} \alpha_{(a,\pi)} * \chi_{(a,\pi)}$$

Consider the case of  $K=G$ , from the code table result above observe that

$$\chi_{A(G)} = \alpha_{(e,\pi_1)} * \chi_{(e,\pi_1)} + \alpha_{(\tau,\pi_1)} * \chi_{(\tau,\pi_1)} + \alpha_{(\sigma,\pi_1)} * \chi_{(\sigma,\pi_1)}$$

observing that for  $g=h=e$ ,  $\chi_{A(G)}(g, h) = 1$ , and  $\chi_{(e,\pi_1)}(g, h) = 1$ , implies  $\alpha_{(e,\pi_1)} = 1$  similarly  $\alpha_{(\tau,\pi_1)}, \alpha_{(\sigma,\pi_1)}$ . This is easy to see as  $e$  does not belong to the conjugacy class of  $\{\tau\}$  or  $\{\sigma\}$ . So,  $A, D, F$  condense only once at the boundary.

Consider the case of  $K=\{e\}$ , from the table observe that

$$\chi_{A(G)} = \alpha_{(e,\pi_1)} * \chi_{(e,\pi_1)} + \alpha_{(e,\pi_2)} * \chi_{(e,\pi_2)} + \alpha_{(e,\pi_3)} * \chi_{(e,\pi_3)}$$

observing  $\chi_{A(G)}(g, h) = 6$ , and  $\chi_{(e,\pi_1)}(g, h) = 1$ ,  $\chi_{(e,\pi_2)}(g, h) = 1$ ,  $\chi_{(e,\pi_3)}(g, h) = 2$  implies

$$\alpha_{(e,\pi_1)} + \alpha_{(e,\pi_2)} + 2\alpha_{(e,\pi_3)} = 6, \text{ implying } \alpha_{(e,\pi_1)} = 1, \alpha_{(e,\pi_2)} = 1, \alpha_{(e,\pi_3)} = 2$$

So,  $A, B$  condense once while  $C$  condenses twice at the boundary.

For the subgroups  $K=\{e, \tau\}$ ,  $A, C, D$  form the condensates and

$$\alpha_{(e,\pi_1)} = 1, \alpha_{(e,\pi_3)} = 1, \alpha_{(\tau,\pi_3)} = 1$$

So  $A, C, D$  condense once at the boundary.

For the subgroups  $K=\{e, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}$ ,  $A, B, F$  form the condensates and from the table

$$\alpha_{(e,\pi_1)} = 1, \alpha_{(e,\pi_2)} = 1, \alpha_{(\sigma,\pi_1)} = 2$$

So  $A, B$  condense once at the boundary, while  $F$  condenses twice at the boundary.

### 2.1.3 Computing the ground state with respect to different $T$ operators on a single lattice cylinder:

Consider a single lattice i.e., identified by two vertices and a single edge. For this given construction, the ground state is computed by eigenstates of  $A_v^k B_p^e T$  (equivalent to the action of  $\Pi(\Sigma_v A_v^k) \Pi B_p$  on the eigenstates of operator  $T$ ). The general construction of state is given by

$$\begin{array}{c}
 -g_1 \text{ --- } g_1- \\
 | \\
 | \\
 g_2 \\
 | \\
 | \\
 -g_3 \text{ --- } g_3-
 \end{array}$$

where  $g_1, g_3 \in K$  subset of  $G$ .  $g_2$  is a group element.

I. In the case of  $T^{(e,e)} = F^{(e,e)} + F^{(e,(2,3))}$ , the following form the eigenstates

For all  $g_1, g_3 \in K$ ,  $g_2$  is restricted to  $\{e, (2,3)\}$  (from the definition of ribbon operator in 2.1). So for each of  $g_2$  the following condition must be satisfied (comes from the flux operator)  $g_3 g_2 g_1 g_2^{-1} = e$ .

So for  $g_2 = e$ ,  $g_1, g_3$  both are either going to  $(2,3)$  or both going to  $e$ . For each of the case the eigen state (which is calculated by action of  $A_v$  at different vertices one after the other and sum of all these terms). Let the upper vertex is acted by  $k_u$  and the lower vertex by  $k_d$  both of which come from the subgroup  $K$ . So there are four combinations for a given  $((k_u, k_d) = \{(e, e), (e, (2,3)), ((2,3), e), ((2,3), (2,3))\})$  state which need to be added. The action on these vertices gives a variation of  $g_1, g_2, g_3$  which get mapped to  $k_u g_1 k_u^{-1}, k_d g_2 k_d^{-1}, k_d g_3 k_d^{-1}$ . To evaluate this sum the following snippet has been used :

```

sage: def ground_state(g1, g2, g3, ku, kd):
    return ku*g1*ku^-1, kd*g2*kd^-1, kd*g3*kd^-1

# for g_2 = e, g_1 = (2,3), g_3 = (2,3)
sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
    for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
        print ground_state(G[4], G[0], G[4], i, j)

```

```

.....:
((2,3), (), (2,3))
((2,3), (2,3), (2,3))
((2,3), (2,3), (2,3))
((2,3), (), (2,3))

```

So for  $g_2 = e, g_1 = g_3 = (2, 3)$ , the sum is the following :  $\tau * e * \tau + \tau * \tau * \tau + \tau * \tau * \tau + \tau * e * \tau$

Similarly for the case  $g_2 = e, g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,

```

sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
      for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
          print ground_state(G[0], G[0], G[0], i, j)
.....:
((), (), ())
((), (2,3), ())
((), (2,3), ())
((), (), ())

```

So for  $g_2 = e, g_1 = g_3 = e$ , the sum is  $e * e * e + e * \tau * e + e * \tau * e + e * e * e$

Similarly for the case  $g_2 = (2, 3), g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,

```

sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
      for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
          print ground_state(G[0], G[4], G[0], i, j)
.....:
((), (2,3), ())
((), (), ())
((), (), ())
((), (2,3), ())

```

So for  $g_2 = (2, 3), g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,  $e * \tau * e + e * e * e + e * e * e + e * \tau * e$

Similarly for the case  $g_2 = (2, 3), g_1 = g_3 = (2, 3)$ ,

```

sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
      for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
          print ground_state(G[4], G[4], G[4], i, j)
.....:
((2,3), (2,3), (2,3))
((2,3), (), (2,3))
((2,3), (), (2,3))
((2,3), (2,3), (2,3))

```

So for  $g_2 = (2, 3), g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,  $\tau * \tau * \tau + \tau * e * \tau + \tau * e * \tau + \tau * \tau * \tau$

So in this case we have 2 ground states.

II. In the case of  $T^{(e,(1,2))} = F^{(e,(1,2))} + F^{(e,(1,2,3))}$ , the eigenstates look as follows :

For all  $g_1, g_3 \in K$ ,  $g_2$  is restricted to  $\{(1,2), (1,2,3)\}$  (the condition on  $F$  operator). So for each of  $g_2$  the following condition must be satisfied (comes from the flux operator)  $g_3 g_2 g_1 g_2^{-1} = e$ .

So for  $g_2 = (1,2)$ ,  $g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,

```
sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
      for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
          print ground_state(G[0], G[1], G[0], i, j)
.....:
((), (1,2), ())
((), (1,2,3), ())
((), (1,3,2), ())
((), (1,3), ())
```

So for  $g_2 = (1,2)$ ,  $g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,  $e * (1,2) * e + e * (1,2,3) * e + e * (1,3,2) * e + e * (1,3) * e$

Similarly for  $g_2 = (1,2,3)$ ,  $g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,

```
sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
      for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
          print ground_state(G[0], G[2], G[0], i, j)
.....:
((), (1,2,3), ())
((), (1,2), ())
((), (1,3), ())
((), (1,3,2), ())
```

Hence the sum is  $e * (1,2) * e + e * (1,2,3) * e + e * (1,3,2) * e + e * (1,3) * e$

III. In the case of  $T^{(e,(1,2,3))} = F^{(e,(1,3))} + F^{(e,(1,3,2))}$ , following are the eigenstates

For all  $g_1, g_3 \in K$ ,  $g_2$  is restricted to  $\{(1,3), (1,3,2)\}$ . So for each of  $g_2$  the following condition must be satisfied (comes from the flux operator)  $g_3 g_2 g_1 g_2^{-1} = e$ .

So for  $g_2 = (1,3)$ ,  $g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,

```
sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
      for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
          print ground_state(G[0], G[5], G[0], i, j)
.....:
((), (1,3), ())
((), (1,3,2), ())
((), (1,2,3), ())
```

$((), (1, 2), ())$

So for  $g_2 = (1, 3), g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,  $e * (1, 2) * e + e * (1, 2, 3) * e + e * (1, 3, 2) * e + e * (1, 3) * e$

Similarly for  $g_2 = (1, 3, 2), g_1 = g_3 = e$ ,

```
sage: for i in G.subgroups()[1]:
      for j in G.subgroups()[1]:
          print ground_state(G[0], G[3], G[0], i, j)
.....:
((), (1, 3, 2), ())
((), (1, 3), ())
((), (1, 2), ())
((), (1, 2, 3), ())
```

Hence the sum is  $e * (1, 2) * e + e * (1, 2, 3) * e + e * (1, 3, 2) * e + e * (1, 3) * e$

Similarly for the other three operators, the same linear combination of states is observed, thus for the boundary case  $K = \{e, \tau\}$  we have 3 unique ground states.

For the calculation of the number of excitations, condensates on the boundary, ribbon operators, and ground states in a more general setting refer to [Appendix A](#).



## Chapter 3

# Category Theory and Lattice Models

### 3.1 Levin-Wen Models

The aim of this section is to introduce the most general structure used to classify topological phases of matter. This uses the concepts presented in Chapter 1 and it will be shown that the contents presented in Chapter 2 will form a subclass of these models in Chapter 4. The String Net Model or Levin-Wen Model [6] is defined on trivalent graph embedded to a closed oriented surface. The rules of the model are as follows :

- 1 String types : They are finite number of string types, and the set of string types is isomorphic to positive integers.
- 2 Branching rules : Only certain string types are allowed to form a vertex.
- 3 String orientation : Every string has a dual type, which is directed in the opposite direction.

The universal features of the string net model are given by fig 3.1 :

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= \Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right) \\
\Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= d_i \Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \end{array} \right) \\
\Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= \delta_{ij} \Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right) \\
\Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= \sum_n F_{kln}^{ijm} \Phi \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

FIGURE 3.1: Universal features of the String-Net Model

Equivalently, they are captured by six index object  $F_{ijk}^{klm}$  and the numbers  $d_i$ , that is the  $F$  moves and the quantum dimensions. However not all combinations of these give rise to string net model as they are constrained by the above equations. The only valid combinations are those which satisfy :

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{j^*i^*0}^{ijk} &= \frac{\sqrt{d_k}}{\sqrt{d_i d_k}} \delta_{ijk} \\
F_{kln}^{ijm} &= F_{jin}^{klm*} = F_{lkn}^{jim} = F_{k^*ln}^{imj} \frac{\sqrt{d_m d_n}}{\sqrt{d_j d_l}} \\
\sum_{n=0}^N F_{kp^*n}^{mlq} F_{mns^*}^{jip} F_{lkr^*}^{js^*n} &= F_{q^*kr^*}^{jip} F_{mls^*}^{riq^*}
\end{aligned}$$

Unitary Tensor Categories are the fundamental framework for the string net model. The string labels form the objects in category, the Homspace can be seen as branching rules. Given a group  $G$ , the string labels are the irreducible representations of the group  $G$ , the quantum dimension  $d_i$  is the dimension of the representation, and the  $F$  object is the 6j symbols of the group.

For every valid  $(F_{lmn}^{ijk}, d_i)$ , the Hamiltonian of the model is given by :

$$H = - \sum_I Q_I - \sum_p B_p, \text{ where } B_p = \sum_{s=0}^N a_s B_p^s$$

where  $Q_I$  measures the electric charge and favors no charge configuration, and  $B_p$  measures the magnetic flux through a plaquette and favors no flux. The figure 3.2 give the action of  $Q_I$  and  $B_p$  on a arbitrary lattice.  $Q_I$  and  $B_p^s$  commute with each other, making the Hamiltonian exactly soluble. The ground state satisfies  $Q_I = B_p^s = 1$  for all  $I, p$  while the excited states are those which violate these conditions.

Given the strings are labelled by UTC  $C$ , the excitations are given by the monoidal center  $Z(C)$  of the UTC  $C$ , which is a Modular Tensor Category. For example, consider

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_I \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{hexagon with } \phi_k \text{ at center} \\ \text{edges } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right\rangle &= \delta_{ijk} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{hexagon with } \phi_k \text{ at center} \\ \text{edges } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right\rangle \\
B_p \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{hexagon with } s \text{ at center} \\ \text{edges } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right\rangle &= \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{hexagon with } s \text{ at center} \\ \text{edges } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right\rangle = \sum_{g'h'i'j'k'l'} F_{s^*sg'}^{gg^*0} F_{s^*sh'}^{hh^*0} F_{s^*si'}^{ii^*0} F_{s^*sj'}^{jj^*0} F_{s^*sk'}^{kk^*0} F_{s^*sl'}^{ll^*0} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{hexagon with } s \text{ at center} \\ \text{edges } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right\rangle \\
&= \sum_{g'h'i'j'k'l'} F_{s^*sg'}^{gg^*0} F_{s^*sh'}^{hh^*0} F_{s^*si'}^{ii^*0} F_{s^*sj'}^{jj^*0} F_{s^*sk'}^{kk^*0} F_{s^*sl'}^{ll^*0} F_{s^*h'g'}^{bg^*h} F_{s^*i'h'}^{ch^*i} F_{s^*j'i'}^{di^*j} F_{s^*k'j'}^{ej^*k} F_{s^*l'k'}^{fk^*l} F_{s^*g'l'}^{al^*g} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{hexagon with } s \text{ at center} \\ \text{edges } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right\rangle \\
&= \sum_{g'h'i'j'k'l'} F_{s^*h'g'}^{bg^*h} F_{s^*i'h'}^{ch^*i} F_{s^*j'i'}^{di^*j} F_{s^*k'j'}^{ej^*k} F_{s^*l'k'}^{fk^*l} F_{s^*g'l'}^{al^*g} \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{hexagon with } s \text{ at center} \\ \text{edges } a, b, c, d, e, f \end{array} \right\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

FIGURE 3.2: Definition of the  $Q_I$  and  $B_p$  operators

the Toric code  $Z_2$ , the strings are indexed by one dimensional representations, say, 1 and  $-1$  and the monoidal center of is given by the pair  $(M, \rho)$  where  $\rho$  is given by  $\rho : \_ \otimes M \rightarrow M \otimes \_$ , which in this case results in a category with rank four, these four form the excitations in the Toric Code.

### 3.2 Boundary construction, Condensations in String-Net model

The following work by Kitaev and Kong [7], presents the relationship between the UTC  $C$  and the boundary labels. Consider a lattice with boundary, with edges being labelled by  $M$ , which should satisfy all conditions mentioned in the previous section for a valid string-net configuration, that is they should be compatible with the  $F$  moves. Such a structure of the boundary is provided by the left module category over the UTC  $C$ . Therefore the edge labels on the boundary  $M$  are given by the objects of left module category over the UTC  $C$ . Given the bulk labels and the boundary labels it is possible to provide the Hamiltonian of the lattice. Once the Hamiltonian is defined, it should be possible to compute the ground state, which is used to compute the topological entanglement entropy.

Given the bulk of the lattice is labelled by simple objects from UTC  $C$ , the excitations are given by the center  $Z(C)$  of the UTC  $C$ , which is a Modular Tensor Category. Using the above construction of Modular Tensor Category, the construction of the excitations on the boundary, the construction of the condensed phase category can be achieved, as mentioned below. For the detailed proof, refer to [4]

Consider the following construction, the excitations of a particular lattice given by UMTC  $C$ , the boundary excitations by UTC  $E$ , the condensed phase by another UMTC  $D$ .

For one step condensations the following results hold :

- 1 Vacuum of  $D$  is given by condensable algebra  $A$  in  $C$ . (condensable implies the algebra is connected, commutative and separable)
- 2  $D \simeq C_A^{loc}$  category of local right  $A$ -modules in  $C$ .
- 3  $E \simeq C_A$  category of right  $A$ -modules in  $C$ .
- 4 Anyons in the bulk move onto the wall by the following functor map :

$$_-\otimes A : C \rightarrow C_A$$

For two step condensations the following results hold :

- 1 Vacuum in  $D$  is given by condensable algebra  $A$  in  $C$ .
- 2  $D$  is given by local right  $A$ -modules
- 3 Vacuum in  $E$  is given by connected separable algebra  $B$  in  $C$ .
- 4  $E$  is given by  $B$ -bimodule
- 5 Bulk to wall map from the  $C$  side is given by :

$$_-\otimes B : C \rightarrow C_{B|B}$$

$$\hat{T}_1 : \left| \begin{array}{c} j_1 \quad j_4 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ j_5 \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ j_2 \quad j_3 \end{array} \right\rangle \rightarrow \sum_{j'_5} v_{j_5} v_{j'_5} G_{j_3 j_4 j'_5}^{j_1 j_2 j_5} \left| \begin{array}{c} j_1 \quad j_4 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ j'_5 \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ j_2 \quad j_3 \end{array} \right\rangle,$$

$$\hat{T}_4 : \left| \begin{array}{c} l_6 \rightarrow q_6 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ l_1 \quad k_6 \quad j_6 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ k_1 \quad j_1 \quad q_1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ j_2 \quad k_2 \quad q_2 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ l_2 \quad j_3 \quad k_3 \rightarrow q_3 \\ l_3 \end{array} \right\rangle \rightarrow \sum_{k'_1} v_{k_1} v_{k'_1} G_{j_1 l_1 k'_1}^{j_2 q_1 k_1} \left| \begin{array}{c} l_6 \rightarrow q_6 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ l_1 \quad k'_1 \quad j_6 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ k'_1 \quad j_1 \quad q_1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ j_2 \quad k_2 \quad q_2 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ l_2 \quad j_3 \quad k_3 \rightarrow q_3 \\ l_3 \end{array} \right\rangle,$$

FIGURE 3.3: Invariant operators in generalized Levin-Wen Model

The above statements provide an abstract insight into the relationship between the excitations in the bulk, on the boundary and the condensed phase. Though given the Modular Tensor Category, it is not totally possible to construct a lattice model with boundary, as there is no information of the labels in the bulk (the same MTC can be viewed as a center of different UTC which are equivalent upto Morita equivalence) and also the labels on the boundary.

### 3.3 Excitations, String operators in String-Net Model

The excitations in the model are those eigenvectors which do not satisfy the ground state conditions, if  $Q_v = 0$  is violated the excitation is a charge excitation at vertex  $v$  and is identified by a non-trivial edge label attached to the vertex and if  $B_p^s = 0$  is violated a fluxon excitation is identified at the plaquette  $p$ . If all the tail labels are trivial, Levin-Wen lattice is recovered. The lattice with charges are invariant under the operators as defined in figure 3.3 : The first one is the  $F$  move and the second is used to move the non-trivial label around the particular vertex.

The string operator  $W_e^{J;pq^*}$  acting on a state, giving rise to the  $J$  fluxon and charges  $p$  and  $q^*$ , is as given in figure 3.4

String operator is the ribbon operator equivalent in the String-Net model. For various other operations on the string operators, the charge measurement, the flux measurement and the action of  $Q_v^q$  and  $B_p^s$  refer to [8].

$$\begin{aligned}
& W_e^{J;pq^*} \left| \begin{array}{c} l_1 \dots 0 \quad l_6 \dots 0 \\ l_8 \quad l_1 \quad j_7 \quad j_1 \quad l_6 \quad j_6 \quad l_5 \\ j_9 \dots 0 \quad j_8 \quad j_2 \dots 0 \quad j_5 \dots 0 \\ j_9 \dots 0 \quad j_2 \dots 0 \quad j_5 \dots 0 \\ j_9 \dots 0 \quad j_2 \dots 0 \quad j_5 \dots 0 \\ l_9 \quad j_{10} \quad l_2 \quad j_{11} \quad j_3 \quad l_3 \quad j_4 \quad l_4 \\ l_2 \dots 0 \quad l_3 \dots 0 \end{array} \right\rangle \\
&= \sum_{j'_2} \frac{v_{j'_2}}{v_{j_2}} z_{pj'_2qj_2}^J \left| \begin{array}{c} l_1 \dots 0 \quad l_6 \dots 0 \\ l_8 \quad l_1 \quad j_7 \quad j_1 \quad l_6 \quad j_6 \quad l_5 \\ j_9 \dots 0 \quad j_8 \quad j_2 \dots 0 \quad j_5 \dots 0 \\ j_9 \dots 0 \quad j_2 \dots 0 \quad j_5 \dots 0 \\ j_9 \dots 0 \quad j_2 \dots 0 \quad j_5 \dots 0 \\ l_9 \quad j_{10} \quad l_2 \quad j_{11} \quad j_3 \quad l_3 \quad j_4 \quad l_4 \\ l_2 \dots 0 \quad l_3 \dots 0 \end{array} \right\rangle.
\end{aligned}$$

FIGURE 3.4: String operator in generalized Levin-Wen Model

## Chapter 4

# Quantum Doubles and other examples in String-Net picture

### 4.1 Toric Code, Quantum Double of $S_3$ in terms of Categories

As mentioned in the previous Chapter 3, the edge labelling is done by irreducible representations of the group, which forms a Unitary Tensor Category. The excitations are given by the monoidal center of the Unitary Tensor Category which is a Modular Tensor Category. This section aims to present some examples to realize the above statements in case of Toric Code,  $D(Z_2)$  and  $D(S_3)$ .

$D(Z_2)$ , Toric Code:

The input to the Toric Code is the group  $Z_2$ , that is the edges are indexed by  $-1, 1$ .  $Z_2$  has two one dimensional irreducible representations. These form the data for the Unitary Tensor Category. The excitations are given by the center of the unitary tensor category. The objects in the center of the category  $C$  are given by a pair  $(M, \rho_X)$  where  $\rho_X : X \otimes M \rightarrow M \otimes X$ , where  $M, X \in C$ . The irreducible representations of  $Z_2$ , say  $V_1$  and  $V_{-1}$  each branching into  $(V_1, \rho_1)$ ,  $(V_1, \rho_{-1})$ ,  $(V_{-1}, \rho_1)$ ,  $(V_{-1}, \rho_{-1})$ . Therefore the rank of the modular tensor category is four and thus there are four excitations.

$D(S_3)$  :

The input to Quantum Double of  $S_3$  is the group  $S_3$ .  $S_3$  has two one dimensional and

one two dimensional irreducible representations. These form the data for the Unitary Tensor Category. The excitations are given by the center of the representation category of  $S_3$ , which is isomorphic to the irreducible representations of the Drinfeld Double, which is indexed by irreducible representations of the centralizer of the conjugacy classes of the group. In this example, there are eight such objects. Each of the irreducible representation is a simple object in the Modular Tensor Category.

## 4.2 Boundary construction for Toric Code, $D(S_3)$

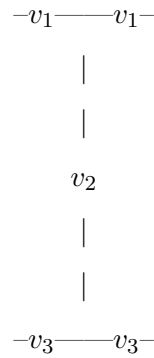
The boundary labels are given by objects of the left modules over  $C$ ,  $C_M$ , where  $C$  is a Unitary Tensor Category used to index the bulk. Consider the case of Kitaev Quantum Double  $D(S_3)$ , the boundary labels were given by the subgroup  $K \subset S_3$ , from the definition of left module over a Unitary Tensor Category, it is easy to that the subgroups form the left modules. Thereby, the boundaries are indexed by various elements of the subgroups.

Consider the following construction, the excitations given by MTC  $C$ , the boundary excitations by  $E$ , the condensed phase by  $D$ . The boundary excitations are given by right  $A$ -modules in  $C$ , where  $C$  is the Modular Tensor Category whose objects are the excitations of the lattice model. The vacuum in  $D$  is a condensable algebra  $A$  in  $C$ . For the toric code, suppose the excitations are labelled by  $1, e, m, f$ .  $1 \oplus e$  and  $1 \oplus m$  both are objects in  $C$  and are algebras in  $C$ . This is easy to see from the graphical calculus viewpoint and also verifying the commutation relationships. These in addition of being algebras, also satisfy the connected, commutative, separable properties making them condensable algebras. Hence these form the vacuum in the condensed phase. The detection of these algebras sets the construction of not only  $E$  and  $D$ , but also the excitations which condense on the boundary. Referring to the functor, the excitation to the wall map, in the case of Toric Code for the condensable algebra  $1 \oplus e$ , the excitations  $1, e$  are identified with  $1 \oplus e$  and  $f, m$  are identified with  $m \oplus e$ .  $D$  itself is given by  $1 \oplus e$ , and  $E$  is given by  $m \oplus e$  and  $1 \oplus e$ . The above construction provides an insight into the excitations on the boundary, as well the excitations which condense on the boundary, but not the boundary labels. The above techniques can be extended to obtain the bulk excitations, the boundary excitations and the condensed phase for  $D(S_3)$  using the data from [9].



### 4.3 Ground state construction for lattice with Ising on boundary

Consider the following lattice model, the edges coming from the UTC of Ising whose objects are  $1, \psi, \sigma$ . The boundary labels also come from the UTC of Ising, as it forms a left-module of the bulk, which is Ising. The ground state is both the eigen-states of the operators  $Q_v$  and  $B_p$ , where  $Q_v$  are fusion rules and  $B_p$  is given by  $\Sigma(d_k/D^2)B_p^k$ . Consider a single lattice on the cylinder.



$$(v1, v2, v3) = \{\{1, 1, 1\} - (1), \{\psi, 1, \psi\} - (2), \{\psi, 1, 1\} - (3), \{\sigma, 1, \psi\} - (4), \{\sigma, 1, \sigma\} - (5), \{\sigma, 1, 1\} - (6), \{\sigma, \psi, \sigma\} - (7), \{\psi, 1, \sigma\} - (8), \{1, 1, \sigma\} - (9), \{1, 1, \psi\} - (10)\}$$

The action of  $B_p^1$  on the above set results in the same set.

The action of  $B_p^\psi$  on the above set results in the following  $\{2, 1, 10, 6, 5, 4, 7, 9, 8, 3\}$ .

The action of  $B_p^\sigma$  on the above set results in the following  $1/\sqrt{2}$  times  $\{5 + 7, 5 + 7, 5 - 7, 8 + 9, 1 + 2 + 3 + 10, 8 + 9, 1 + 2 - 3 - 10, 4 + 6, 4 + 6, 3 - 7\}$ .

The matrices  $B_p^1, B_p^\psi, B_p^\sigma$  are to be used to compute  $B_p$  which is given by  $\frac{1}{D} \sum_s d_s B_p^s$ , which is further used to compute the ground states:

```
julia> B_p_1 = eye(10);

julia> B_p_psi = [[0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]; [1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]; [0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0] 1];
                  [0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0]; [0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0]; [0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0] 0];
                  [0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0]; [0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0]; [0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0] 0];
                  [0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]];
```

```

julia> B_p_s = [[0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0]; [0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0]; [0 0 0 0 1 0 -1 0 0 0];
               [0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0]; [1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1]; [0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0];
               [1 1 -1 0 0 0 0 0 0 -1]; [0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0]; [0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0];
               [0 0 0 0 1 0 -1 0 0 0]]

julia> B_p_sigma = 1/sqrt(2)*B_p_s;

julia> B = (1/4)*(B_p_1 + B_p_psi + sqrt(2)*B_p_sigma);

julia> eigvals(inv(eigvecs(B))*B*eigvecs(B))
10-element Array{Complex{Float64},1}:
-7.91813e-18+0.0im
 1.0+0.0im
 8.82083e-18+8.37086e-18im
 8.82083e-18-8.37086e-18im
 1.0+0.0im
 1.0+0.0im
-7.14582e-18+0.0im
 1.27443e-18+1.57887e-18im
 1.27443e-18-1.57887e-18im
 1.42363e-18+0.0im

julia> eigvecs(inv(eigvecs(B))*B*eigvecs(B))
10x10 Array{Complex{Float64},2}:

%
```

Thus, the number of ground states of the lattice with Ising both on bulk and boundary is three, which is in agreement with [10].

## Chapter 5

# Summary and Future Directions

### 5.1 Summary

To summarize, we started with a brief introduction to category theory and some mathematical structures like Algebras, Bialgebras and Hopf Algebras which were used to construct the Drinfeld Double of a group. We then introduced the lattice models which are used to classify the topological phases of matter. Kitaev Quantum Double Models were introduced along with some properties of the system like ground state construction, ribbon operator construction leading to detection of excitations given a particular group. Construction of ribbon operators in a Quantum Double with boundaries leading to detection of condensation of excitations on boundaries is presented. SageMath [11] has been used to compute the ribbon operators on lattice with boundaries, excitations which condense on the boundary, the results for  $S_3$  have been presented in thesis and for any generalized group the methods to compute the same have been presented in the Appendix A. An introduction to Levin-Wen models with and without boundaries, with a brief introduction to excitation detection and string operator that is the ribbon operator equivalent have been presented. Statements relating excitations in the bulk, excitations on the boundary and excitations in the condensed phase have been presented in one step as well as two step condensation. In the end, an attempt has been made to show Quantum Doubles as a subclass of Levin-Wen models and various results have been verified in the case of the Toric Code and  $D(S_3)$ .

## 5.2 Future Directions

Some of the following ideas require further work :

- Computing the commutation relationship equivalent of ribbon operators for string operators. Solving for string operators in the presence of boundary using the commutation relationship. For the  $Q_v$  operator, the result has been computed but  $B_p$  operator is still a work in progress. Once the string operators in a lattice with boundaries are computed, the next step is to compute the ground state which would lead to the computation of topological entanglement entropy.
- Construction of ribbon operators in higher dimensions [12].
- Construction of boundary conditions for Twisted Quantum Double models in 2D [13, 14] and 3D [15], and extending the idea of ribbon operators for these models with boundaries.
- In the case of  $D(S_3)$ , construction of condensable algebras play an important role as these would help in understanding the computation of boundary excitations, condensed phase and excitations which condense on the boundary.
- Topological Entanglement Entropy in the presence of ribbon operators in the case of  $D(S_3)$
- Given the center of a UTC which is a MTC, one can find many UTC's which are equivalent upto Morita equivalence. Given a UTC, one can construct the boundary labels as left modules of the UTC. Therefore, given a MTC, is it possible to predict the boundary labels.
- Understanding of co-dimension 2 boundaries and application to the case of  $D(S_3)$ .
- The ribbon operators computed for  $S_3$  do not provide the required insight on splitting of excitation on boundary. In the sense the action of the ribbon operator on a cylindrical lattice connecting boundaries at the top and bottom, is equivalent to the horizontal surface action. The construction of ribbon operator with vertical surface action might provide an insight into the splitting of excitation on boundary.

## Appendix A

# Functions used to calculate various properties of Quantum Double Models

# Quantum Double Models using SageMath

## 0.1 Simple Mathematics using SageMath

```
In [6]: # Finding the gcd of two numbers
gcd?

In [7]: gcd(25,30)
Out[7]: 5

In [8]: factor(625)
Out[8]: 5^4

In [9]: factor(2435)
Out[9]: 5 * 487

In [11]: M = matrix([[1,2,4],[1,3,5],[5,4,2]]);M
Out[11]: [1 2 4]
         [1 3 5]
         [5 4 2]

In [12]: M.inverse()
Out[12]: [ 7/6   -1   1/6]
         [-23/12  3/2  1/12]
         [ 11/12 -1/2 -1/12]

In [13]: M.eigenvalues()
Out[13]: [-3.583940313126412?, 0.3631206519422502?, 9.22081966118417?]
```

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## 0.2 Group Theory in SageMath

```
In [15]: Z2 = SymmetricGroup(2); Z2
Out[15]: Symmetric group of order 2! as a permutation group

In [16]: S3 = SymmetricGroup(3); S3
Out[16]: Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group

In [17]: Z2.is_subgroup(S3)
Out[17]: True

In [18]: S3.is_cyclic()
Out[18]: False

In [19]: Z2.is_abelian()
Out[19]: True
```

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### 0.3 Excitations, Ribbon operators, Ground states in Quantum Double Models

#### Defining different models - Quantum Double of Z2, S3, D4

```
In [1]: QDM_Toric = SymmetricGroup(2)
        QDM_Toric

Out[1]: Symmetric group of order 2! as a permutation group

In [2]: QDM_S3 = SymmetricGroup(3)
        QDM_S3

Out[2]: Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group

In [3]: QDM_D4 = DihedralGroup(4)
        QDM_D4

Out[3]: Dihedral group of order 8 as a permutation group
```

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Developing the machinery to compute the number of excitations.

#### 1. Computing the centralizers of the conjugacy class of the group.

```
In [4]: def centralizer_conjugacy_class_QDM_generic(QDM_group):
        cent_QDM_group = []
        for conj_class in QDM_group.conjugacy_classes():
            centralizer = QDM_group.centralizer(conj_class.an_element())
            cent_QDM_group.append(centralizer)
        return cent_QDM_group

In [5]: cent_toric = centralizer_conjugacy_class_QDM_generic(QDM_Toric)
        cent_toric

Out[5]: [Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 2! as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2)],
        Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 2! as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2)]]

In [6]: cent_s3 = centralizer_conjugacy_class_QDM_generic(QDM_S3)
        cent_s3

Out[6]: [Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group) generated by [(2,3), (1,3)],
        Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2)],
        Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2,3)]]

In [7]: cent_d4 = centralizer_conjugacy_class_QDM_generic(QDM_D4)
        cent_d4

Out[7]: [Subgroup of (Dihedral group of order 8 as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2,3,4), (1,4)],
        Subgroup of (Dihedral group of order 8 as a permutation group) generated by [(2,4), (1,3)(2,4)],
        Subgroup of (Dihedral group of order 8 as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2)(3,4), (1,3)],
        Subgroup of (Dihedral group of order 8 as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2,3,4), (1,3)],
        Subgroup of (Dihedral group of order 8 as a permutation group) generated by [(1,2,3,4), (1,4)]]
```

2. The character table gives the trace of irreducible representations (but the trace is used at a later stage).

```
In [8]: def character_table_centralizers(centralizers_generic_group):
        char_table = []
        for subgroup in centralizers_generic_group:
            char_table.append(subgroup.character_table())
        return char_table
```

```
In [9]: cent_toric_centralizer_character = character_table_centralizers(cent_toric)
        cent_toric_centralizer_character
```

```
Out[9]: [
[ 1 -1] [ 1 -1]
[ 1  1], [ 1  1]
]
```

```
In [10]: cent_s3_centralizer_character_table = character_table_centralizers(cent_s3)
         cent_s3_centralizer_character_table
```

```
Out[10]: [
[ 1 -1  1] [ 1  1  1] [ 1  1  1]
[ 2  0 -1] [ 1 -1  1] [ 1  1  1]
[ 1  1  1], [ 1  1  1], [ 1  1  1]
]
```

```
In [11]: cent_d4_centralizer_character_table = character_table_centralizers(cent_d4)
         cent_d4_centralizer_character_table
```

```
Out[11]: [
[ 1  1  1  1  1]
[ 1 -1 -1  1  1] [ 1  1  1  1] [ 1  1  1  1]
[ 1 -1  1 -1  1] [ 1 -1 -1  1] [ 1 -1 -1  1]
[ 1  1 -1 -1  1] [ 1 -1  1 -1] [ 1 -1  1 -1]
[ 2  0  0  0 -2], [ 1  1 -1 -1], [ 1  1 -1 -1],

[ 1  1  1  1  1]
[ 1  1  1  1  1] [ 1 -1 -1  1  1]
[ 1  1 -1  1 -1] [ 1 -1  1 -1  1]
[ 1 -zeta4 -1 zeta4] [ 1  1 -1 -1  1]
[ 1 zeta4 -1 -zeta4], [ 2  0  0  0 -2]
]
```

3. Computing the number of excitations by counting the number of rows in the character table.

```
In [12]: def excitations_count(QDM_group):
        count = 0
        generic_centralizer_character_table = character_table_centralizers(centralizer_conjugacy_c)
        for char_table in generic_centralizer_character_table:
            count += char_table.nrows()
        return count
```

```
In [13]: QDM_toric_excitations = excitations_count(QDM_Toric)
         QDM_toric_excitations
```

```
Out[13]: 4
```



```
In [14]: QDM_S3_excitations = excitations_count(QDM_S3)
         QDM_S3_excitations
```

```
Out[14]: 8
```

```
In [15]: QDM_D4_excitations = excitations_count(QDM_D4)
         QDM_D4_excitations
```

```
Out[15]: 22
```

Developing the machinery to compute the excitations that condense on a given boundary

### 1. Computing the character related to the irreducible representation of the group.

```
In [16]: def character_excitation(G, conjugacy_class, g, h):
         k_h = 0
         for g_1 in G:
             if h*g_1 == g_1*conjugacy_class.an_element():
                 k_h = g_1
                 break
         if g*h == h*g and k_h != 0:
             return k_h^-1*g*k_h
         else:
             return 0
```

### 2. Computing the character related to a particular boundary.

```
In [17]: def character_subgroup(G, subgroup, g, h):
         sum = 0
         if h*g == g*h:
             for g_1 in G:
                 if g_1*g*g_1^-1 in subgroup and g_1*h*g_1^-1 in subgroup:
                     sum = sum + 1
         return sum/len(subgroup)
```

### 3. Computing the inner product terms of the above characters.

```
In [18]: def inner_product_of_characters(QDM_group, subgroup, conjugacy_class):
         inner_product_terms = []
         for g in QDM_group:
             for h in QDM_group:
                 if character_subgroup(QDM_group, subgroup, g, h) != 0 and character_excitation(QDM_group, conjugacy_class, g, h) != 0:
                     inner_product_terms.append([character_subgroup(QDM_group, subgroup, g, h), character_excitation(QDM_group, conjugacy_class, g, h)])
         return inner_product_terms
```

```
In [19]: inner_product_of_characters(QDM_S3, QDM_S3.subgroups()[5], QDM_S3.conjugacy_classes()[0])
```

```
Out[19]: [[1, ()], [1, (1,2)], [1, (1,2,3)], [1, (1,3,2)], [1, (2,3)], [1, (1,3)]]
```

$$1 * tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 1 * tr_{\pi_i}(1, 2) + 1 * tr_{\pi_i}(1, 2, 3) + 1 * tr_{\pi_i}(1, 3, 2) + 1 * tr_{\pi_i}(2, 3) + 1 * tr_{\pi_i}(1, 3)$$

From the character table for  $S_3$ , and labelling each excitation

$\{e\}$	$\{\tau\}$	$\{\sigma\}$					
1	-1	1	->	$tr_{\pi_2}$	->	$B$	
2	0	-1	->	$tr_{\pi_3}$	->	$C$	
1	1	1	->	$tr_{\pi_1}$	->	$A$	

Therefore  $A$  condenses on the boundary as the inner product is greater than zero, the others go to zero.

In [20]: `inner_product_of_characters(QDM_S3, QDM_S3.subgroups()[5], QDM_S3.conjugacy_classes()[1])`

Out[20]: `[[1, ()], [1, ()], [1, ()], [1, (1,2)], [1, (1,2)], [1, (1,2)]]`

$$3 * tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 3 * tr_{\pi_i}(1, 2)$$

From the character table for  $Z_2$ , and labelling each excitation

$$1 \quad -1 \quad tr_{\pi_2} \quad - > \quad E$$

$$1 \quad 1 \quad tr_{\pi_1} \quad - > \quad D$$

Therefore  $D$  condenses on the boundary as the inner product is greater than zero, the others go to zero.

In [21]: `inner_product_of_characters(QDM_S3, QDM_S3.subgroups()[5], QDM_S3.conjugacy_classes()[2])`

Out[21]: `[[1, ()], [1, ()], [1, (1,2,3)], [1, (1,3,2)], [1, (1,3,2)], [1, (1,2,3)]]`

$$2 * tr_{\pi_i}(e) + 2 * tr_{\pi_i}(1, 2, 3) + 2 * tr_{\pi_i}(1, 3, 2)$$

From the character table for  $Z_3$ , and labelling each excitation

$$1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad tr_{\pi_1} \quad - > \quad F$$

$$1 \quad \zeta_3 \quad -\zeta_3 - 1 \quad tr_{\pi_2} \quad - > \quad G$$

$$1 \quad -\zeta_3 - 1 \quad \zeta_3 \quad tr_{\pi_3} \quad - > \quad H$$

Therefore  $F$  condenses on the boundary as the inner product is greater than zero, the others go to zero.

Hence, for the subgroup  $K = G$ , the excitations  $A, D, F$  condense on the boundary.

Similarly varying the boundaries (different subgroups) and using the inner product, the excitations which condense on the boundary can be determined.

```
In [22]: def boundary_condensates(QDM_group, QDM_subgroup):
    total_inner_product_terms = []
    for conj_class in QDM_group.conjugacy_classes():
        total_inner_product_terms.append(inner_product_of_characters(QDM_group, QDM_subgroup, conj_class))
    return total_inner_product_terms
```

Boundary condensates for the boundary indexed by  $\{e, \tau\}$

In [23]: `boundary_condensates(QDM_S3, QDM_S3.subgroups()[1])`

Out[23]: `[[[3, ()], [1, (1,2)], [1, (2,3)], [1, (1,3)]],
[[1, ()], [1, ()], [1, ()], [1, (1,2)], [1, (1,2)], [1, (1,2)]],
[]]`

Observing the character table list,  $A, C, D$  condense given the boundary is indexed by  $\{e, \tau\}$

**Construction of the ribbon operators for lattice with boundary** Given that the boundary is given by the boundary (subgroup  $K$ ), the ribbon operator with an excitation in the bulk and the condensate on the boundary is given by

$$T^{(k,g)} = \sum_{l \in K} F^{(lkl^{-1}, gl^{-1})} \text{ where } k \in K, g \in G$$

Fixing the subgroup  $K = \{e, \tau\}, \{\{e, (2,3)\}\}$  for example)

In [24]: `K = QDM_S3.subgroups()[1];K`

Out[24]: Subgroup of (Symmetric group of order 3! as a permutation group) generated by `[(2,3)]`

```
In [25]: def ribbon_operator_constructs(QDM_group, subgroup):
    ribbon_operator_terms = []
    for k in subgroup:
        for g in QDM_group:
            for l in subgroup:
                ribbon_operator_terms.append([k,g,l*k*l^-1, l*g^-1])
    return ribbon_operator_terms
ribbon_operator_constructs(QDM_S3, K)
```

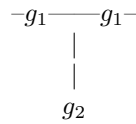
```
Out[25]: [[(), (), (), ()],
    [(), (), (), (2,3)],
    [(), (1,2), (), (1,2)],
    [(), (1,2), (), (1,2,3)],
    [(), (1,2,3), (), (1,3,2)],
    [(), (1,2,3), (), (1,3)],
    [(), (1,3,2), (), (1,2,3)],
    [(), (1,3,2), (), (1,2)],
    [(), (2,3), (), (2,3)],
    [(), (2,3), (), ()],
    [(), (1,3), (), (1,3)],
    [(), (1,3), (), (1,3,2)],
    [(2,3), (), (2,3), ()],
    [(2,3), (), (2,3), (2,3)],
    [(2,3), (1,2), (2,3), (1,2)],
    [(2,3), (1,2), (2,3), (1,2,3)],
    [(2,3), (1,2,3), (2,3), (1,3,2)],
    [(2,3), (1,2,3), (2,3), (1,3)],
    [(2,3), (1,3,2), (2,3), (1,2,3)],
    [(2,3), (1,3,2), (2,3), (1,2)],
    [(2,3), (2,3), (2,3), (2,3)],
    [(2,3), (2,3), (2,3), ()],
    [(2,3), (1,3), (2,3), (1,3)],
    [(2,3), (1,3), (2,3), (1,3,2)]]
```

$$\begin{aligned}
T^{(e,e)} &= F^{(e,e)} + F^{(e,(2,3))}, \\
T^{(e,(1,2))} &= F^{(e,(1,2))} + F^{(e,(1,2,3))}, \\
T^{(e,(1,2,3))} &= F^{(e,1,3,2)} + F^{(e,(1,3))}, \\
T^{((2,3),e)} &= F^{((2,3),e)} + F^{((2,3),(2,3))}, \\
T^{((2,3),(1,2))} &= F^{((2,3),(1,2))} + F^{((2,3),(1,2,3))}, \\
T^{((2,3),(1,2,3))} &= F^{((2,3),(1,3,2))} + F^{((2,3),(1,3))},
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly for various boundaries, various ribbon operators connecting the bulk to the boundary can be generated. It is observed that for every boundary (every subgroup) there are 6 unique ribbon operators connecting the bulk to boundary in the case of  $S_3$

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**Ground states with respect to different T operators on a cylinder with a single lattice (implying boundary on both sides of the lattice)** The lattice looks in the following way :



$$\begin{array}{c} | \\ | \\ -g_3 \text{---} g_3- \end{array}$$

Eigenstates of  $\Pi\{\Sigma \text{ (vertex operators)}\} \text{ (face operators)} T$  are the ground states of the lattice with a ribbon operator. In the above lattice  $g_1$  and  $g_3$  are restricted to the subgroup (identified as boundary). There are three conditions to be satisfied, fixing the boundary to be  $\{e, \tau\}$ , due to the ribbon operators  $g_2$  is restricted to  $\{e, (2, 3)\}$ , due to the face operators the relationship between  $g_1, g_2, g_3$  is as follows  $g_3 g_2 g_1 g_2^{-1} = e$ , and finally due to the vertex operators  $g_1, g_2, g_3$  get mapped to  $k_u g_1 k_u^{-1}, k_d g_2 k_u^{-1}, k_d g_3 k_d^{-1}$  respectively, where  $k_u, k_d \in K$

```
In [26]: def ground_state_terms(g1, g2, g3, ku, kd):
          return ku*g1*ku^-1, kd*g2*ku^-1, kd*g3*kd^-1

In [27]: def ground_state_sum(condition_set, subgroup):
          s = []
          for g2 in condition_set[1]:
              for g3 in subgroup:
                  for g1 in subgroup:
                      if condition_set[0]*g3*g2*condition_set[0]*g1 == g2:
                          s.append((condition_set[0]*g1,g2,condition_set[0]*g3))
                      for i in subgroup:
                          for j in subgroup:
                              s.append([ground_state_terms(condition_set[0]*g1, g2, condition_set[0]*g3)])
          return s
```

Observing that  $T^{(e,e)} = F^{(e,e)} + F^{(e,(2,3))}$  the condition set is that  $g_2 \in \{e, (2, 3)\}$  similarly to determine the other ground states the condition set is required

```
In [28]: ground_state_sum([QDM_S3[0], [QDM_S3[0], QDM_S3[4]]], QDM_S3.subgroups()[1])
```

```
Out[28]: [((), (), ()),
          [((), (), ()),
          [((), (2,3), ()),
          [((), (2,3), ()),
          [((), (), ()),
          ((2,3), (), (2,3)),
          [(2,3), (), (2,3)],
          [(2,3), (2,3), (2,3)],
          [(2,3), (2,3), (2,3)],
          [(2,3), (), (2,3)],
          ((), (2,3), ()),
          [((), (2,3), ()),
          [((), (), ()),
          [((), (), ()),
          [((), (2,3), ()),
          ((2,3), (2,3), (2,3)),
          [(2,3), (2,3), (2,3)],
          [(2,3), (), (2,3)],
          [(2,3), (), (2,3)],
          [(2,3), (2,3), (2,3)]]
```

This implies for the operator  $T^{(e,e)}$  :

Possible initial configuration

Ground state

$(e, e, e)$	$2 * (e, e, e) + 2 * (e, (2, 3), e)$
$((2, 3), e, (2, 3))$	$2 * ((2, 3), e, (2, 3)) + 2 * ((2, 3), (2, 3), (2, 3))$
$(e, (2, 3), e)$	$2 * (e, e, e) + 2 * (e, (2, 3), e)$
$((2, 3), (2, 3), (2, 3))$	$2 * ((2, 3), e, (2, 3)) + 2 * ((2, 3), (2, 3), (2, 3))$



This implies for the operator  $T^{((2,3),e)}$  :

<i>Possible initial configuration</i>	<i>Ground state</i>
$(e, e, e)$	$2 * (e, e, e) + 2 * (e, (2, 3), e)$
$((2, 3), e, (2, 3))$	$2 * ((2, 3), e, (2, 3)) + 2 * ((2, 3), (2, 3), (2, 3))$
$(e, (2, 3), e)$	$2 * (e, e, e) + 2 * (e, (2, 3), e)$
$((2, 3), (2, 3), (2, 3))$	$2 * ((2, 3), e, (2, 3)) + 2 * ((2, 3), (2, 3), (2, 3))$

In [32]: `ground_state_sum([QDM_S3[4], [QDM_S3[1], QDM_S3[2]]], QDM_S3.subgroups()[1])`

Out[32]: `[((), (1, 2), ()),  
 [(((), (1, 2), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 2, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 3, 2), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 3), ())),  
 (((), (1, 2, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 2, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 2), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 3, 2), ()))]]`

This implies for the operator  $T^{((2,3),(1,2))}$  :

<i>Possible initial configuration</i>	<i>Ground state</i>
$(e, (1, 2), e)$	$(e, (1, 2), e) + (e, (1, 2, 3), e) + (e, (1, 3, 2), e) + (e, (1, 3), e)$
$(e, (1, 2, 3), e)$	$(e, (1, 2), e) + (e, (1, 2, 3), e) + (e, (1, 3, 2), e) + (e, (1, 3), e)$

In [33]: `ground_state_sum([QDM_S3[4], [QDM_S3[3], QDM_S3[5]]], QDM_S3.subgroups()[1])`

Out[33]: `[((), (1, 3, 2), ()),  
 [(((), (1, 3, 2), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 2), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 2, 3), ())),  
 (((), (1, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 3, 2), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 2, 3), ())),  
 [(((), (1, 2), ()))]]`

This implies for the operator  $T^{((2,3),(1,2,3))}$  :

<i>Possible initial configuration</i>	<i>Ground state</i>
$(e, (1, 3, 2), e)$	$(e, (1, 2), e) + (e, (1, 2, 3), e) + (e, (1, 3, 2), e) + (e, (1, 3), e)$
$(e, (1, 3), e)$	$(e, (1, 2), e) + (e, (1, 2, 3), e) + (e, (1, 3, 2), e) + (e, (1, 3), e)$

Therefore, there are 3 unique ground states for all possible configurations of ribbon operators with an excitation at one end and condensate at the other

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