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QARS Olivier: Majorana and Fermionic Gaussian states

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N Fermionic modes $2N$ operators c_i, c_i^\dagger

$$\{c_i, c_j^\dagger\} = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\{c_i^\dagger, c_j^\dagger\} = 0$$

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define vacuum $|0\rangle$ s.t. $c_i|0\rangle = 0 \quad \forall i$

$$\begin{cases} c_i^\dagger|i\rangle = i \\ c_i^\dagger c_j^\dagger |0\rangle = |ij\rangle - |ji\rangle \\ \rightarrow \text{Pauli principle} \end{cases}$$

define Majorana operators:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \gamma_{2j} &= c_j + c_j^\dagger \\ \gamma_{2j+1} &= i(c_j - c_j^\dagger) \end{aligned}}$$

new properties:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \gamma_j^\dagger &= \gamma_i \quad \forall j \\ \gamma_j^2 &= 1 \\ \{\gamma_i, \gamma_j\} &= 2\delta_{ij} \end{aligned}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma_j + \gamma_j^\dagger)(\gamma_j + \gamma_j^\dagger) &= c_j c_j + \underbrace{c_j^\dagger c_j + c_j c_j^\dagger}_{= \{c_j, c_j^\dagger\}} + c_j^\dagger c_j^\dagger \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Majorana Strings

$$\mu(\vec{v}) = \underbrace{(i)}_{\substack{\text{convenient} \\ \text{algebraic}}}^{v^T \omega_L v} \gamma_0^{v_0} \gamma_1^{v_1} \dots \gamma_{2N}^{v_{2N}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1 \dots 0) &\rightarrow \gamma_0 \\ (11 \dots 0) &\rightarrow \gamma_0 \gamma_1 \end{aligned}$$

Finite field
(bitstring)

$$V \in \mathbb{F}_2^{2N}$$

$$\omega_L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Symplectic product

$$\langle V, V' \rangle_L = V^T \omega_L V'$$

not local: Jordan-Wigner leads to non local
Pauli strings. Pauli strings use a different
symplectic matrix

Majorana group: majorana strings form a group

$$M_{2N} = \left\{ (i)^a \mu(v) \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}_4, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{F}_2^{2N} \right\}$$

$$\mu(\vec{v}) \mu(\vec{v}') = \xi(v, v') \mu(v + v')$$

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phase ~~XOR~~ XOR

$$\mu(\vec{v}) \mu(\vec{v}) = (-1)^{v^T w v} \mu(\vec{v}) \mu(\vec{v})$$

if no majoranas in common, just reorder.
Otherwise $\gamma_i^2 = 1$ disappear:

$$w = \hat{1} - 1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

define some brackets (commutators)

$$[\mu, \mu'] = \mu \mu' - \mu' \mu$$

$$\langle V, V' \rangle = V^T w V$$

$$= V^T \omega_L V + V^T \omega_L^T V$$

Max: same as
Pauli Strings

defines a Lie algebra. We are looking for a sub algebra

$$[\gamma_i, \gamma_j] = 0 \text{ if } i=j$$

$$\gamma_i \gamma_j - \gamma_j \gamma_i = 2 \gamma_i \gamma_j \quad i \neq j$$

$$[\gamma_i, \gamma_j \gamma_k] = \begin{cases} 0 & i=j=l \text{ or } i=k=l \\ -\gamma_j \gamma_k \gamma_i & i \neq j \neq k \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma_i \gamma_j \gamma_k - \gamma_j \gamma_k \gamma_i = 0$$

$$\gamma_i \gamma_j \gamma_k - \gamma_i \gamma_k \gamma_j = 2\gamma_k$$

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are proper:

~~$[\gamma_i, \gamma_j \gamma_k]$~~

$$[\gamma_i, \gamma_j \gamma_k] = \begin{cases} 2\gamma_k & i=j \neq k \\ 0 & i \neq j \neq k \end{cases}$$

$$[\gamma_i \gamma_j, \gamma_k \gamma_l] = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \neq k \neq l : 0 \\ \gamma_i \gamma_k & i \neq k \neq j = l \end{cases}$$

quadratic Majorana are closed (sub algebra)
 free fermionic Hamiltonian ($\frac{Z_N}{N}$) \rightarrow quadratic
 number of operators in that space

$$H = \sum_{ij} \alpha_{ij} \gamma_i \gamma_j$$

What if you add one quartic terms

$$[\gamma_i \gamma_j \gamma_k \gamma_l, \gamma_m \gamma_n \gamma_o \gamma_p] \rightarrow \frac{2}{4}$$

Start generating full algebra No. $\frac{6}{\infty}$

Willing Superselection: define weight
 $w(\mu(\vec{v}))$: Hamming weight of \vec{v}
 $p(\mu(\vec{v}))$: parity of $w(\mu(\vec{v}))$

Parity operator:

$$(-1)^{\hat{w}} \checkmark \text{ weight operator}$$

$$(-1)^{\hat{w}} = \mu(\vec{1})$$

Superselection rule

$$[0, \mu(\vec{1})] = 0$$

\hookleftarrow $|even\rangle + |odd\rangle \neq$
 \leftarrow can't exist

if $\langle \psi_0 | H | \psi_1 \rangle = 0$ for some $H \equiv$ selection rule

if $\langle \psi_0 | H | \psi_1 \rangle = 0$ for all operators \equiv superselection

No physical operators don't

$$|\psi\rangle = (1 + c_B^\dagger) |\psi_0\rangle$$

Alice sends 0 : apply $\mathbb{1}$

1 : apply $i(c_A^\dagger - c_A)$

This would allow faster than light communication
 because of the ~~for~~ Pauli exclusion

$$\text{Bob measures } \hat{O} = (1 + c_B + c_B^\dagger)$$

gets 1 if Alice prepared 0

0 if Alice prepared \neq