

# **AKLT-States as ZX-Diagrams**

**Diagrammatic Reasoning for Quantum States**

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# Overview



## AKLT Model

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- Spin-1 Affleck-Kennedy-Lieb-Tasaki (AKLT) model with  $N$  sites

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{AKLT}}^{S=1} &= \frac{1}{24} \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (\mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2 ((\mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2 - 2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \left[ \mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1} + \frac{1}{3} (\mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2 + \frac{2}{3} \right] \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- $\mathbf{S}_i$  are 3x3 spin-1 operators;  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}_2^{\otimes N}$

# Why interesting?

- Historically, it was believed that the GS of 1D spin chains of any spins are gapless
- An example that verifies the Haldane conjecture: integer spin antiferromagnetic Heisenberg chains has gapped GS
- Lots of surprising physics: Hidden string order, etc.

# Ground state of Spin-1 AKLT

- The Hamiltonian is a projector onto adjacent total spin=2 subspace because

$$(\mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2 ((\mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2 - 2) |\mathbf{s}_{\text{total}}^{(j,j+1)} = 0\rangle = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2 ((\mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2 - 2) |\mathbf{s}_{\text{total}}^{(j,j+1)} = 1\rangle = 0$$

- Therefore we have

$$\langle \mathbf{s}_{\text{total}}^{(j,j+1)} = 2 | \psi_0 \rangle = 0 \quad \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

- $|\psi_0\rangle$  is the ground state(s) of the Hamiltonian

- To solve GS, replace each spin-1 site with two spin-1/2
- We construct the state so that spins on adjacent sites are in singlet configuration.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle_i |1\rangle_{i+1} - |1\rangle_i |0\rangle_{i+1})$$

- This construction ensures that the total spin on adjacent sites are zero.
- We then do a projection onto the the spin-1 subspace for each lattice site

$$|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle), |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$$

- The ground state wavefunction is unique for close chains and 4-fold degenerate for open-end chains

## MPS representation

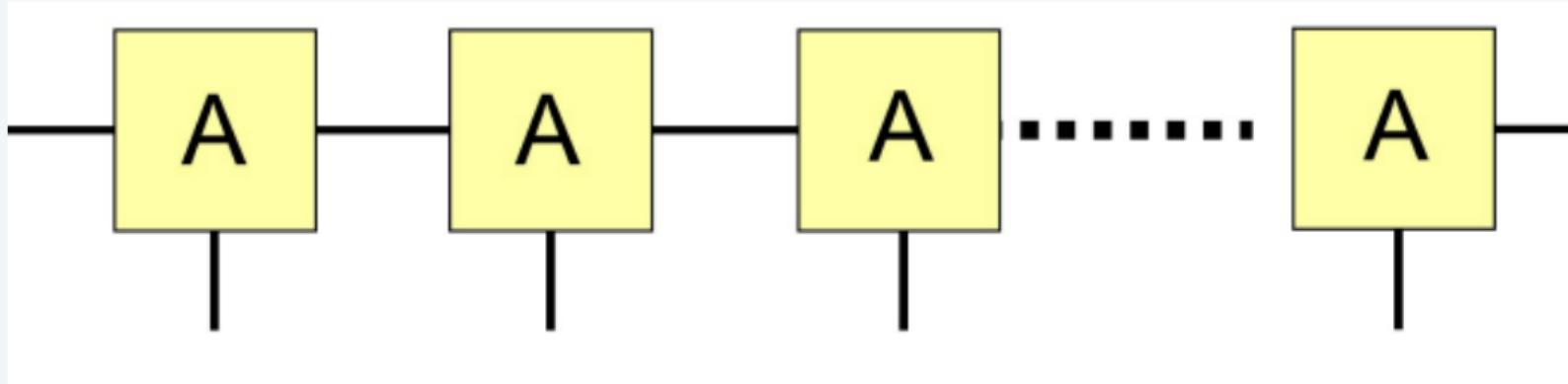


Figure: MPS representation of AKLT ground state taken from Wei et. al. (2022) [2201.09307]

# Derivation of the MPS representation

- This derivation is taken from a very useful review by Andreas Haller
- Let  $|\mathbf{a}\rangle = |a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N\rangle$  and  $|\mathbf{b}\rangle = |b_1, b_2, \dots, b_N\rangle$  be the auxiliary spin-1/2 states and  $N$  be the number of sites. The general wavefunction takes the form

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}} c_{\mathbf{ab}} |\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}\rangle$$

- The G.S. adjacent spins are in valence bond, so we have

$$c_{\mathbf{ab}} = \sum_{b_1 a_2} \sum_{b_2 a_3} \cdots \sum_{b_{N-1} a_N}, \text{ where}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- We project our subspace onto the spin-1 subspace using the on-site projector

$$P_i = \sum_{a_i, b_i, \sigma_i} M_{a_i b_i}^{\sigma_i} |\sigma_i\rangle \langle a_i, b_i|$$

where  $\sigma_i = 0, \pm 1$ ,  $a_i, b_i = \pm 1/2$ , and the matrices  $M^\sigma$  takes the form

$$M^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad M^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad M^{(-1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Therefore,  $|\psi_0\rangle \propto P_1 P_2 \cdots P_N |\psi\rangle$ , which takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_0\rangle &\propto \sum_{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}} M_{a_1 b_1}^{\sigma_1} \Sigma_{b_1 a_2} M_{a_2 b_2}^{\sigma_2} \Sigma_{b_2 a_3} \cdots \Sigma_{b_{N-1} a_N} M_{a_N b_N}^{\sigma_N} |\boldsymbol{\sigma}\rangle \\ &= \sum_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} A^{\sigma_1} A^{\sigma_2} \cdots A^{\sigma_N} |\boldsymbol{\sigma}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

where  $A^{\sigma_i} = M^{\sigma_i} \Sigma$  and we contract all the As via matrix multiplication

- The tensor-trian at each site is given by

$$A^{(+1)} \propto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad A^{(0)} \propto -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A^{(-1)} \propto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Under the convention used by the paper, the MPS matrices are <sup>1</sup>

$$\mathcal{M}^{[n]+1} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{M}^{[n]0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{M}^{[n]-1} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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<sup>1</sup>MPS matrices are undetermined up to a local change of basis of form  $A \mapsto MAM^{-1}$ . It is easy to see that the two sets of matrices are related by  $\mathcal{M}^{(n)} = \sigma_x A^{(n)} \sigma_x$

## Hidden string order

- The AKLT state has a hidden anti-ferromagnetic order

$$\cdots 1, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 1, 0, 0, -1 \cdots$$

i.e. successive non-zero spins must be alternating

- In MPS picture, the matrix element of states of form  $|\cdots \pm 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, \pm 1 \cdots\rangle$  is a product of form

$$(\cdots) \sigma_{\pm} \sigma_z^n \sigma_{\pm} (\cdots)$$

- This is obviously zero because  $\{\sigma_{\pm}, \sigma_z\} = 0$  and  $\sigma_{\pm}^2 = 0$

# Quantized Berry phase

- The Berry phase of a **periodic** 1D AKLT state can be calculated by twisting one of the covalent bonds

$$|10\rangle - |01\rangle \rightarrow |10\rangle - e^{i\theta} |01\rangle$$

- The Berry phase is then defined as

$$\gamma = -i \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\langle \psi_\theta | \partial_\theta | \psi_\theta \rangle}{\langle \psi_\theta | \psi_\theta \rangle} d\theta$$

- Thermodynamic limit,  $\boxed{\gamma = \pi}$  [?]<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup>According to my understand, this phase is quantized (though I can't follow the exact argument), so does it mean that showing  $\gamma = \pi$  in thermodynamic limit is the same as showing it for all finite length?

## G.S. degeneracies of Spin-1 AKLT

- Replace each spin-1 site with a triplet:  $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle), |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$
- For any adjacent site  $\mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} = \mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{3} \oplus \mathbf{5}$ , the combined states lies in  $\mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{3}$  iff there's a valence bond (singlet) between adjacent sites
- The G.S. forms valence bond on adjacent sites
- If the chain is periodic, only one G.S.
- If the chain has open ends, then we have 2 free ends so there are 4 degenerate G.S.
- *Question: I have written down the CG decomposition of the two site case and notice something weird that I don't know how to explain*

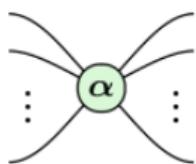


# ZXH Calculus

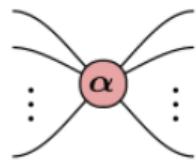
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# ZXH Calculus

- Like MPS, a diagrammatic representation of tensors
- Equipped with *spiders* with a set of rewriting rules



$$\vdots \quad \alpha \quad \vdots := |0 \cdots 0\rangle\langle 0 \cdots 0| + e^{i\alpha} |1 \cdots 1\rangle\langle 1 \cdots 1|$$



$$\vdots \quad \alpha \quad \vdots := |+ \cdots +\rangle\langle + \cdots +| + e^{i\alpha} |- \cdots -\rangle\langle - \cdots -|$$

- There are 3 types of spiders : Z-spider (light/green), X-spider (dark/red), and H-spider (rectangle box)
- Each spider has  $n$  inputs,  $m$  output, and a phase  $\alpha$

$$[Z(\alpha)]_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{j_1 j_2 \dots j_m} = \begin{cases} 1 & i_1 = i_2 = \dots = j_1 = j_2 \dots = j_m = 0 \\ e^{i\alpha} & i_1 = i_2 = \dots = j_1 = j_2 \dots = j_m = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

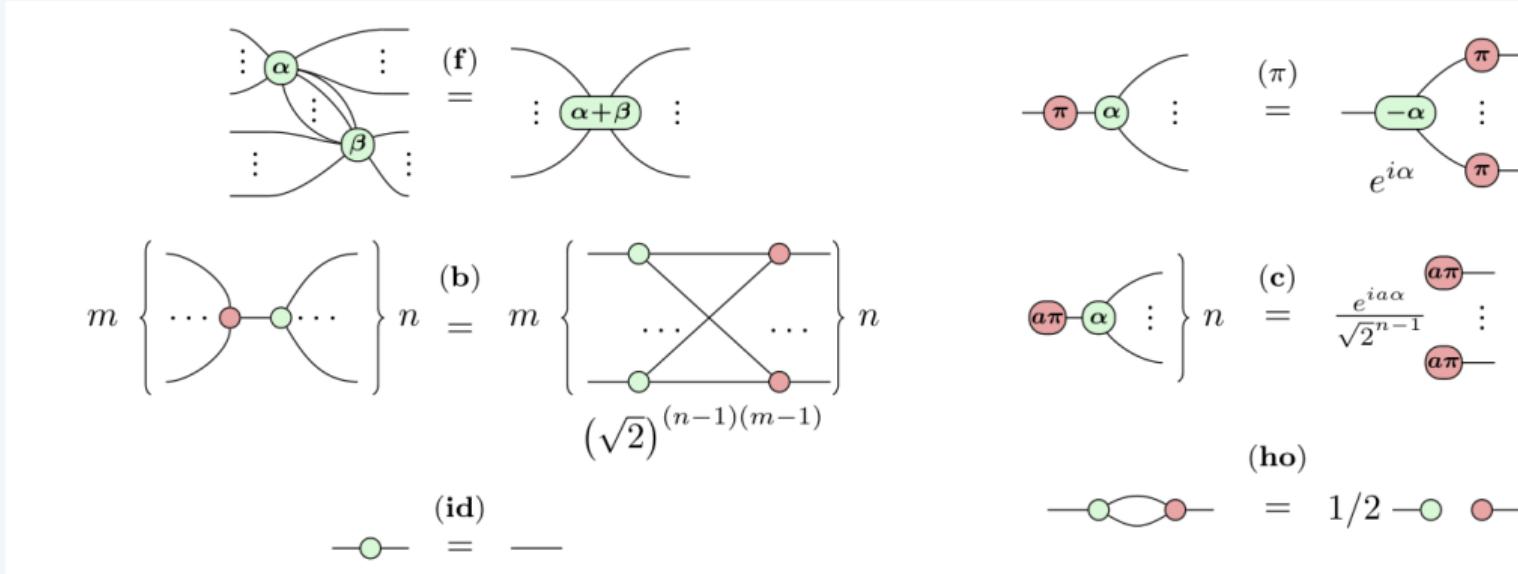
$$[X(\alpha)]_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{j_1 j_2 \dots j_m} = \frac{1}{2^{(n+m)/2}} \begin{cases} 1 + e^{i\alpha} & (\oplus_\alpha i_\alpha) \oplus (\oplus_\beta j_\beta) = 0 \\ 1 - e^{i\alpha} & (\oplus_\alpha i_\alpha) \oplus (\oplus_\beta j_\beta) = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$[H(\alpha)]_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{j_1 j_2 \dots j_m} = \begin{cases} a & i_1 = i_2 = \dots = j_1 = j_2 \dots = j_m = 1 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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<sup>3</sup>When  $\alpha$  is left unspecified, it is understood that  $\alpha = 0$  for Z and X, and  $\alpha = -1$  for H

- ZX calculus also comes with a set of rewriting rules



- and etc. etc.
- A comprehensive introduction of these rules can be found in [?]. For reference, I have listed these rules in the appendix of the slides.

## Example - States

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{↑} \\ \text{↓} \end{array} | \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|+\rangle + |- \rangle) = |0\rangle$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{↑} \\ \text{↓} \end{array} | \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) = |+\rangle$$

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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{↑} \\ \text{↓} \end{array} | \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle) = |- \rangle$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{↑} \\ \text{↓} \end{array} | \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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## Example - Circuit gates

$$\text{---} \otimes \text{---} = \text{---} \otimes \text{---} = \text{---} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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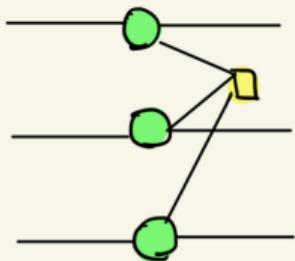
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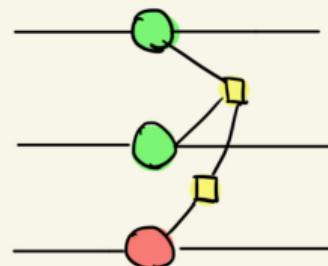
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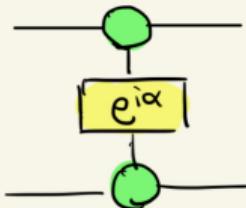
## Example - Control phase gates



= CZ

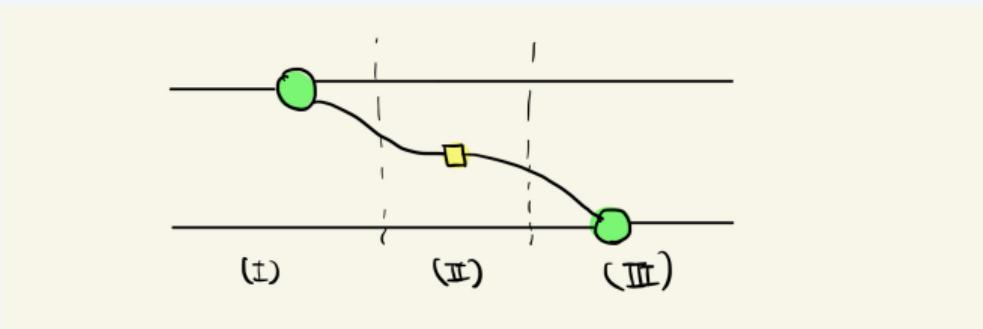


= CCNOT



= CZ( $\alpha$ )

## Example - Convert diagrams to matrix



$$\underbrace{\left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right]}_{(III)} \underbrace{\left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right]}_{(II)} \underbrace{\left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right]}_{(I)}$$

$= \text{diag}(1, 1, 1, -1) = \text{Control-Z}$

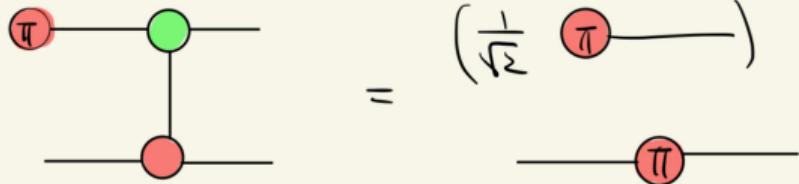
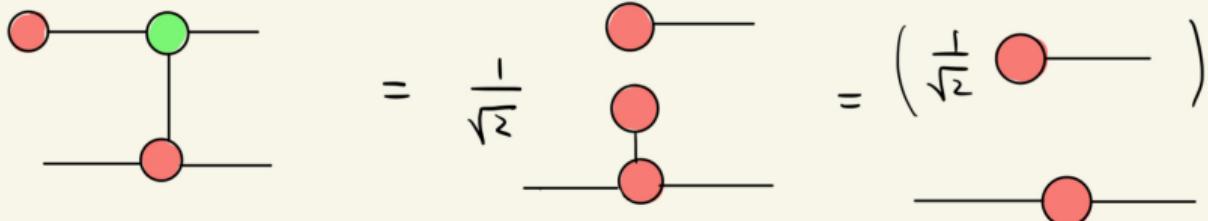
# ZX calculus over traditional MPS

- **Complete:** Any equality of matrices with powers of  $n$  can be derived purely diagrammatically using the rewriting rules<sup>4</sup>
- **Only connectivity matters:** Two diagrams represent the same circuit if the underlying graphs are the same
- **Programmatic graph reduction:** Calculations can be done automatically and exactly by open source graph reduction packages, e.g. PyZX

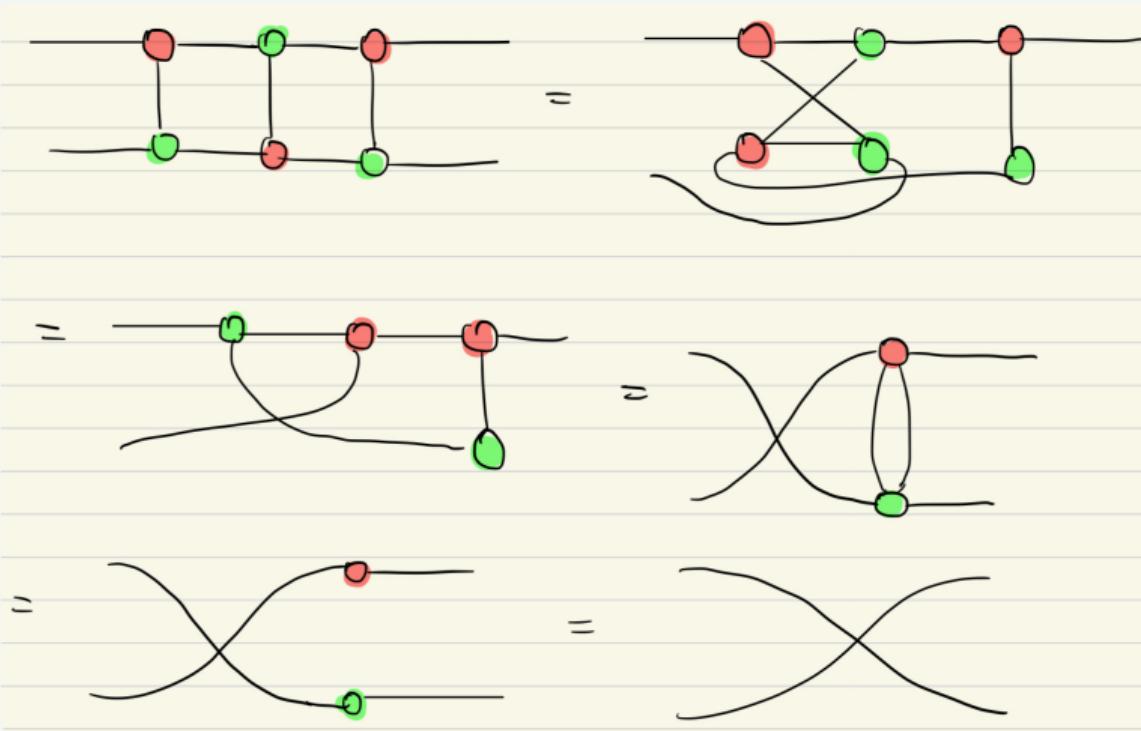
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<sup>4</sup>For pedagogical introduction to ZX rewriting rules, see [?]

## Example - Applying CNOT to states

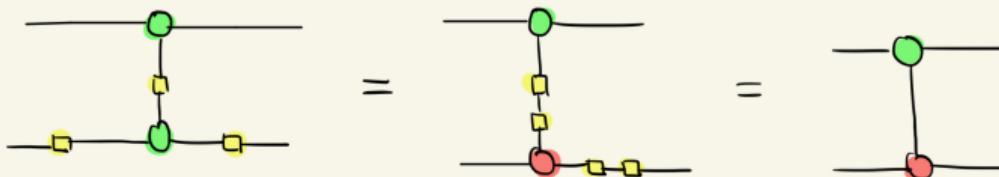


## Example - 3 CNOT = Swap

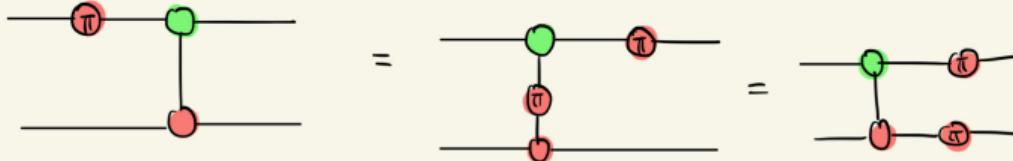


## Example - CX and CZ

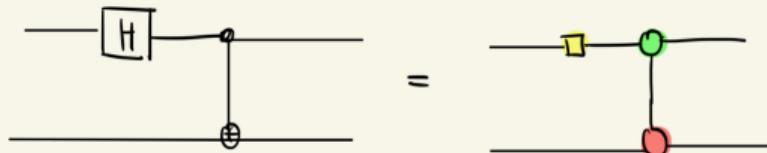
Conversion from CZ + H to CX



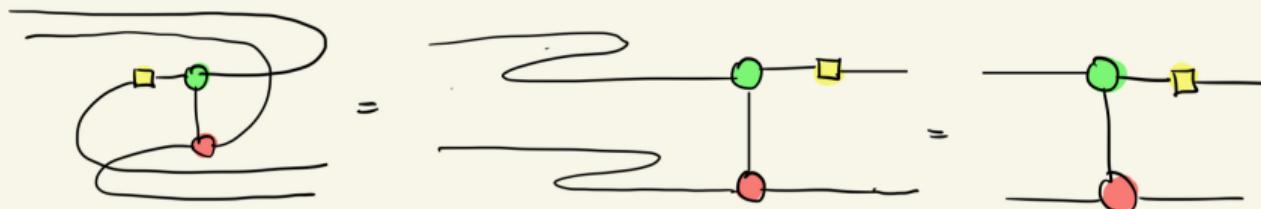
X on control of CZ



## Example - Bell state preparation & Inverse



To get the inverse = (1) Turn  $\alpha \rightarrow -\alpha$  for all phase  
(2) Do a transpose



## Example - Project away $|11\rangle$

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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<sup>5</sup>Note the control nature of the multi-leg H-box

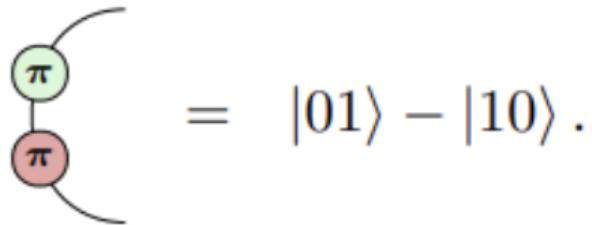


## 1D AKLT as ZX diagrams

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## AKLT GS - Covalent bonds

- Take bell state, apply  $X_2$  and  $Z_1$


$$= \quad |01\rangle - |10\rangle .$$

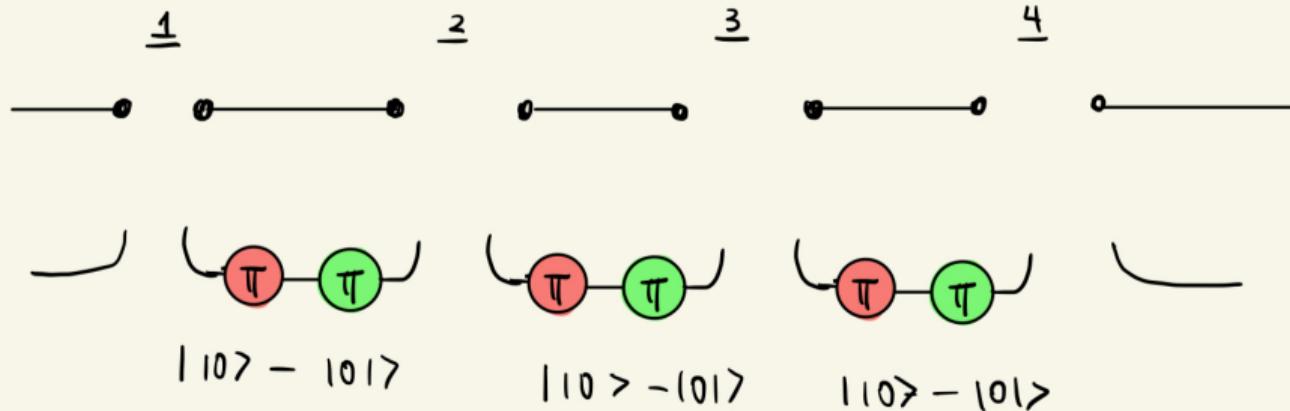
## AKLT GS - Spin-1 projector

- The Bell state preparation circuit  $|11\rangle \rightarrow |\Psi^-\rangle = (|01\rangle - |10\rangle) / \sqrt{2}$
- Strategy:  $(\text{Bell prep})^\dagger \circ (\text{Project out } |11\rangle) \circ (\text{Bell prep})^\dagger$

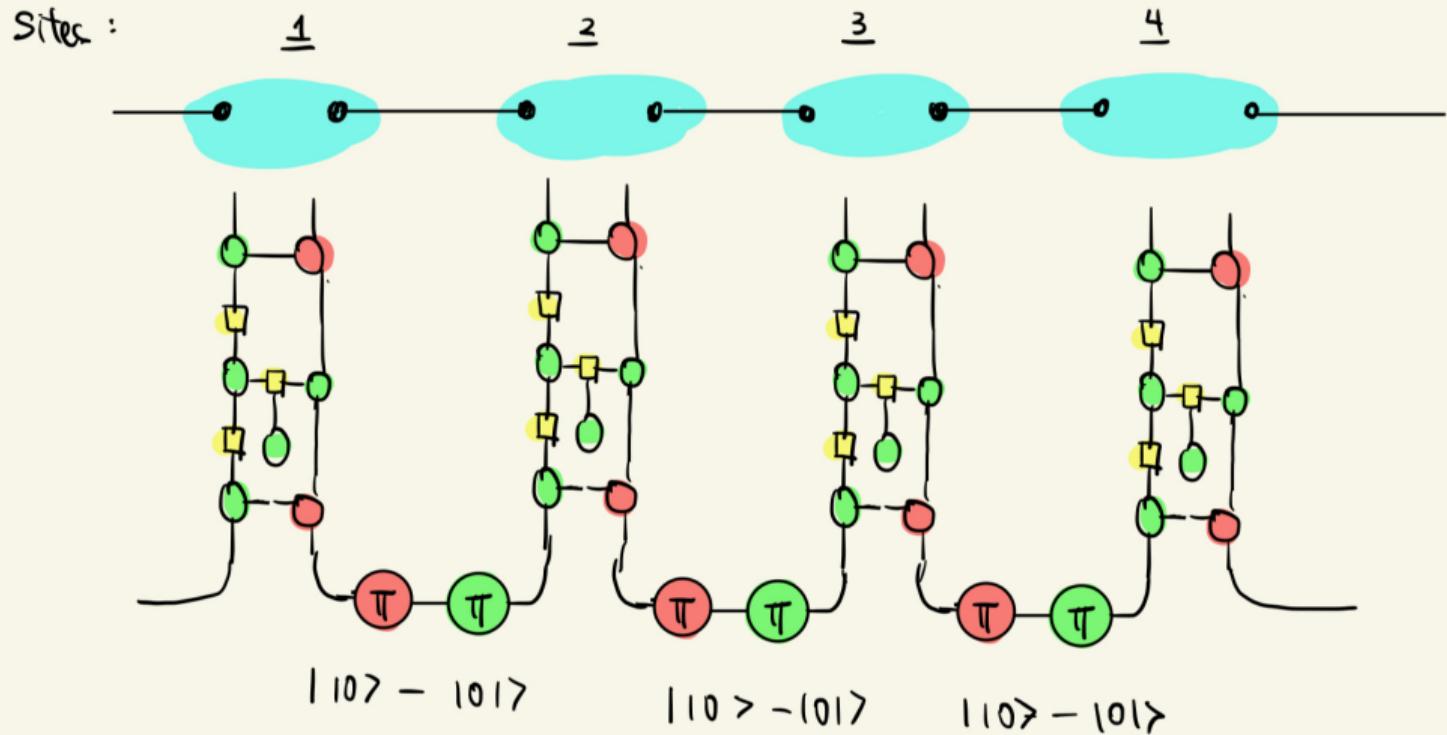
$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \quad | \\ | \quad | \quad | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \text{---} \quad = \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

To construct the AKLT state, we first write down the valence bond pairs

Sites :



We then apply the projector to project onto the spin-1 subspace



The dangling wires at the edge of the chain signifies the 4-fold degeneracies

## Recovering MPL matrices by contraction

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \text{(ex)} \\ \text{(f)} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{(c)} \\ \text{(f)} \end{array} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{array}{c} \text{(ex)} \\ \text{(f)} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{(c)} \\ \text{(f)} \end{array} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{array}{c} \text{(ex)} \\ \text{(f)} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{(c)} \\ \text{(f)} \end{array}$$

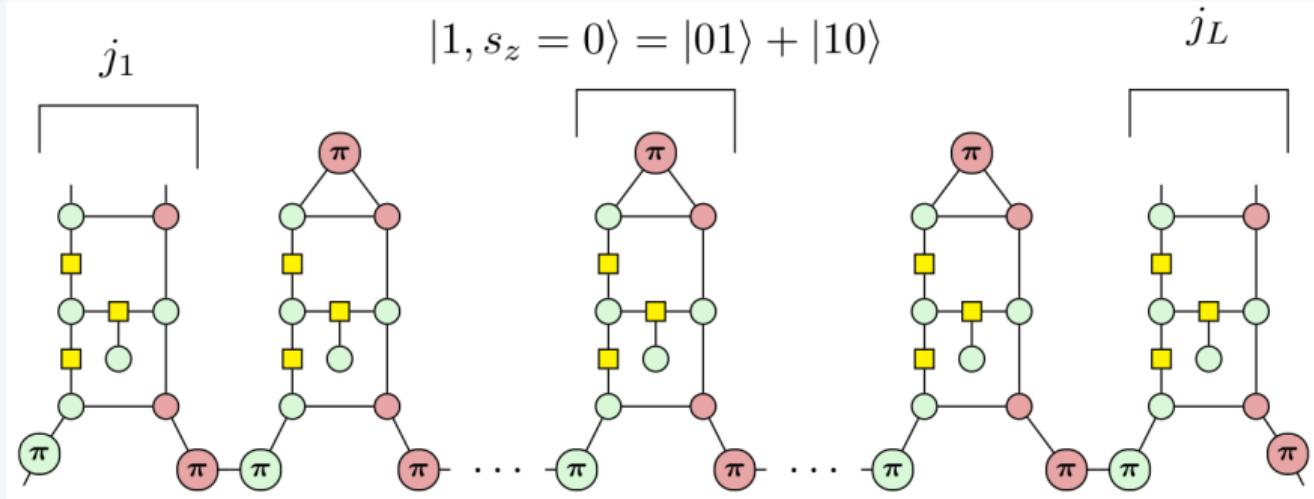
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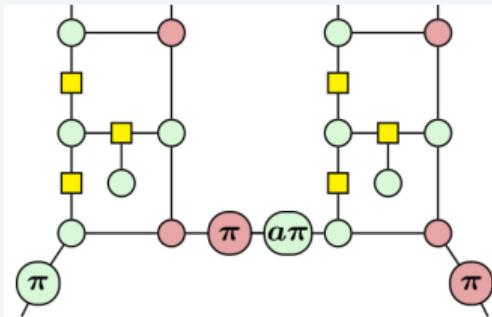
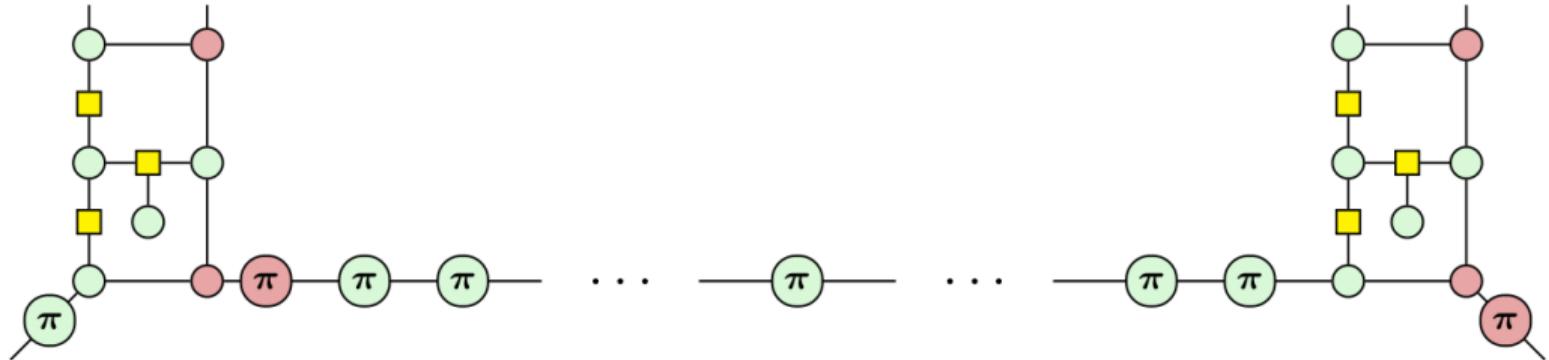
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$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} M^{[n]+1}$$

# Demonstrating hidden string order



Simplify the repeating block in the middle, we get the following figure



Plugging in  $\pm 1$  on both sides shows that the state vanishes if  $j_1 = j_L$  does not otherwise (Work out an example that gives 0)

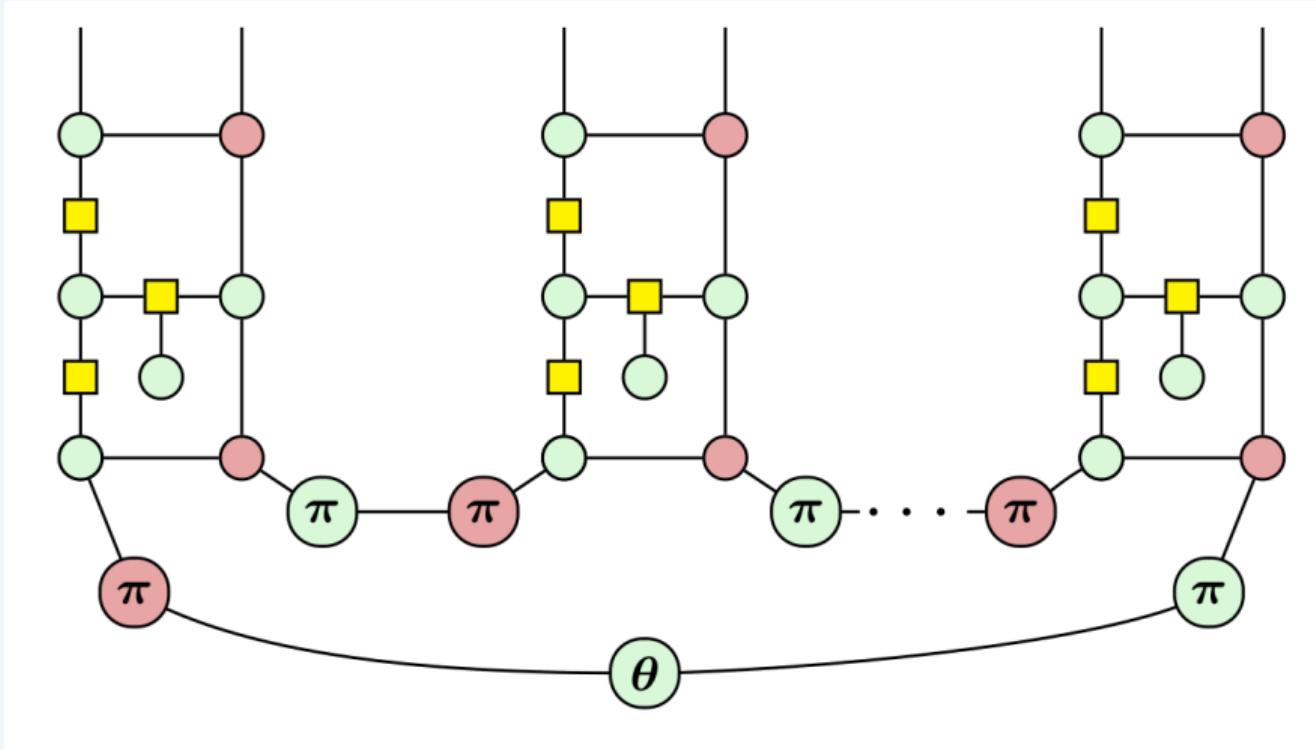
# Berry phase computation

- Recall the Berry phase is calculated using

$$\gamma = -i \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\langle \psi_\theta | \partial_\theta | \psi_\theta \rangle}{\langle \psi_\theta | \psi_\theta \rangle} d\theta$$

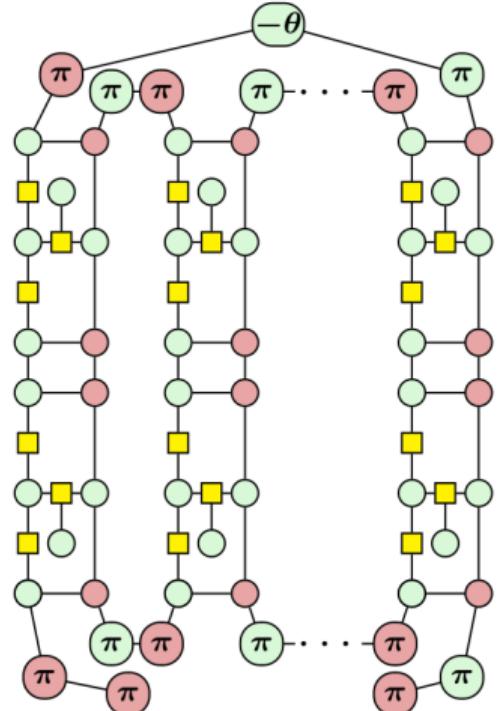
where the chain is twisted at the end

- We calculate the phase directly by representing both  $|\psi_\theta\rangle$  and  $\langle\psi_\theta|$  as ZX diagrams and doing all the contractions diagrammatically



The integral is therefore

$$\gamma = (-i) \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{ie^{i\theta}}{2\langle \psi_\theta | \psi_\theta \rangle} d\theta$$



Skipping the simplification steps, the result can be evaluated exactly as

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{2(-1)^N e^{i\theta} + 3^N + (-1)^N}{2(-1)^N \cos \theta + 3^N + (-1)^N} d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{g e^{i\theta} + 1}{g \cos \theta + 1} d\theta = \boxed{\pi}\end{aligned}$$

where  $g = \frac{2(-1)^N}{3^N + (-1)^N}$ , and  $N$  is the length of the chain. Thus, the direct computation shows that  $\boxed{\gamma = \pi}$  holds for all finite length 1D AKLT chains.

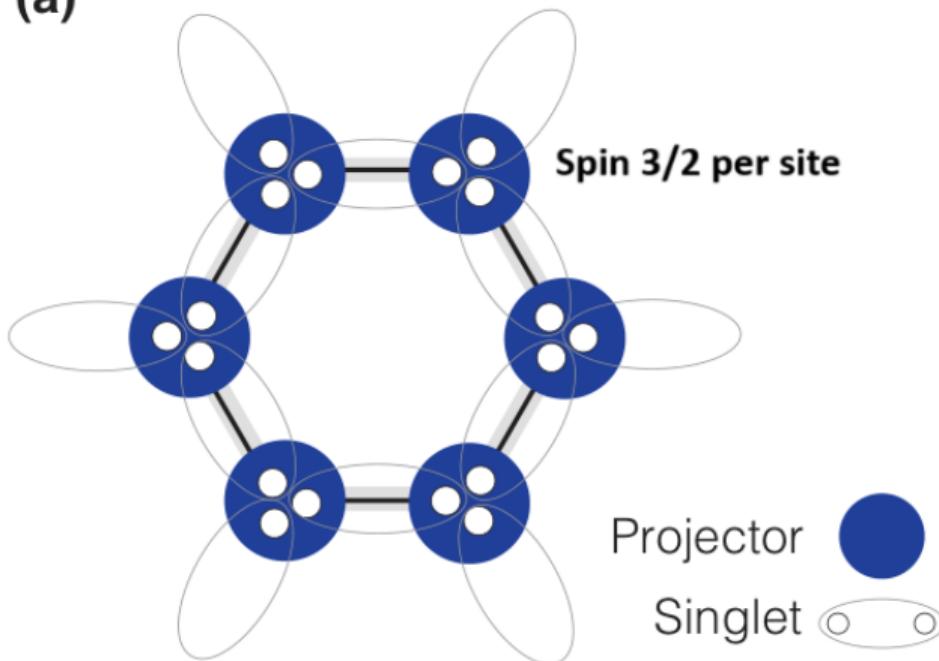


## 2D AKLT States as ZX diagram

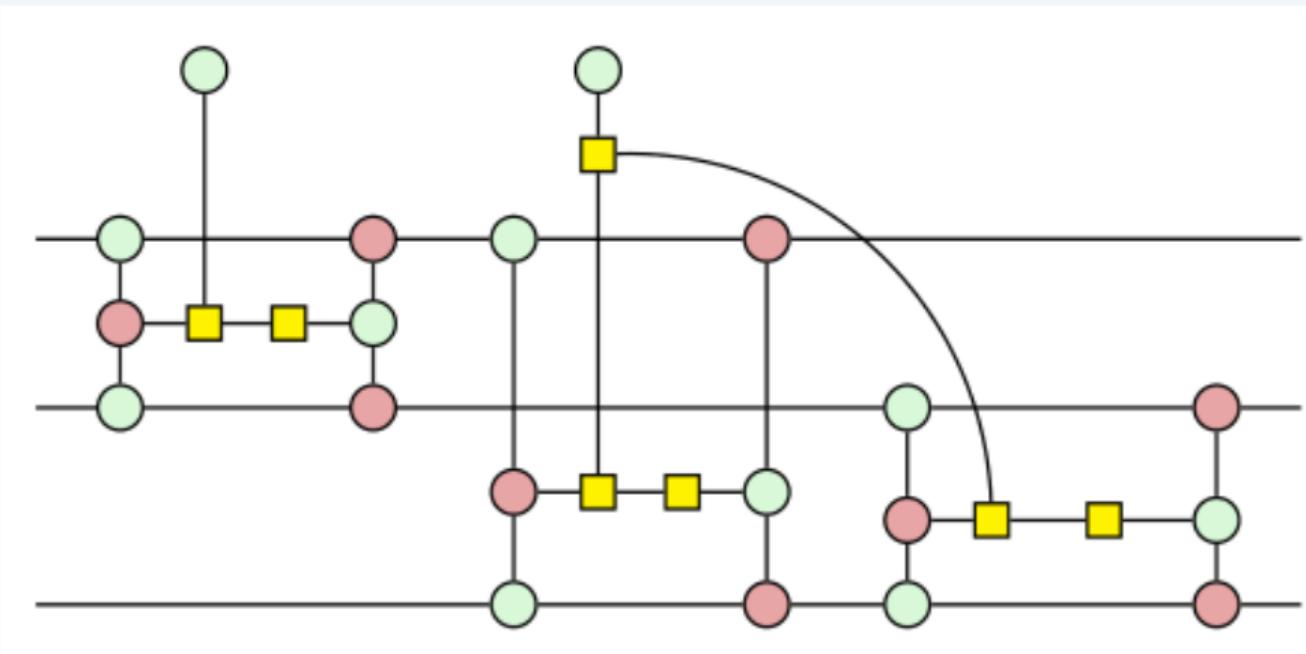
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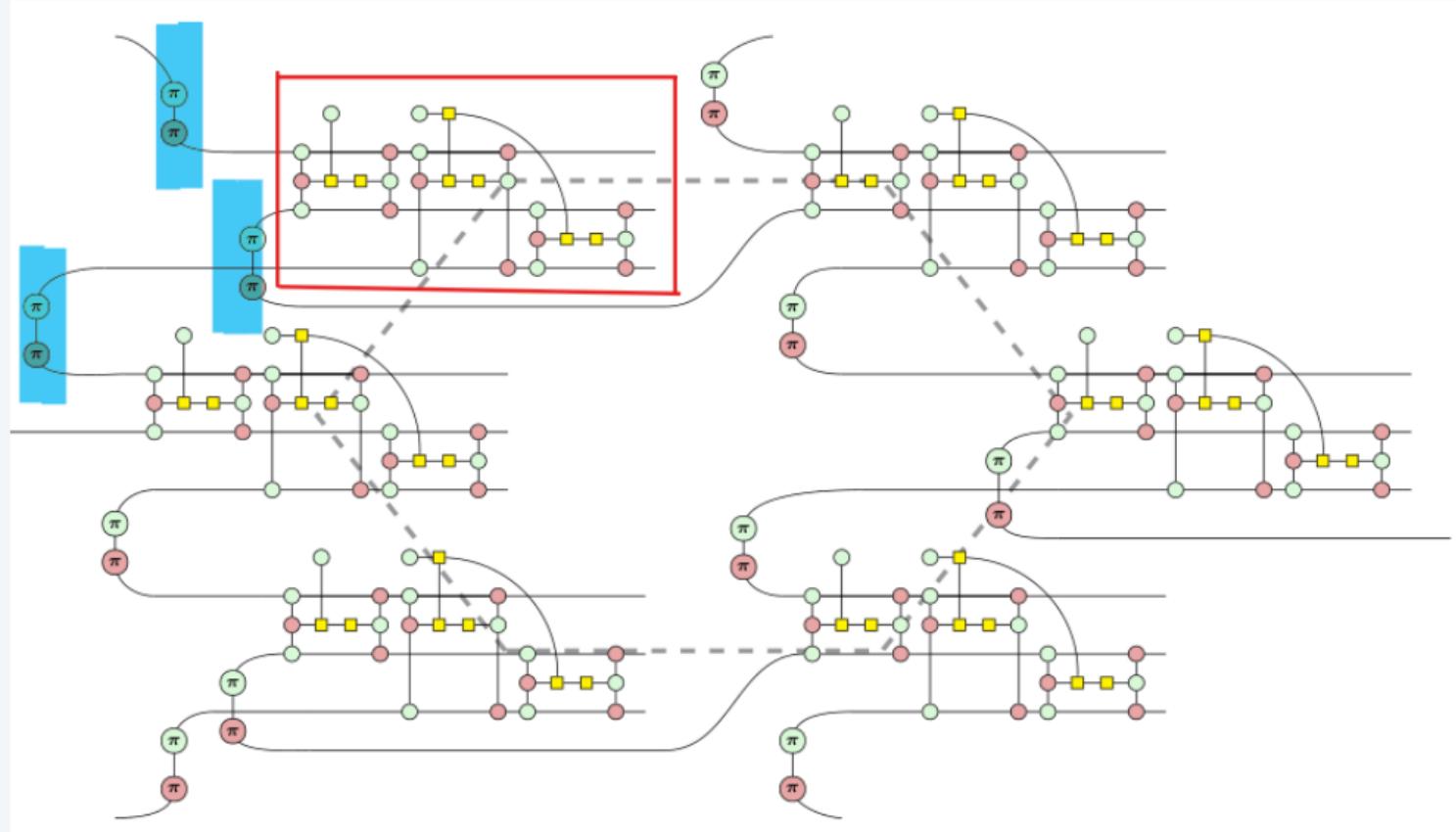
# 2D AKLT states on honeycomb lattice

(a)



# Spin-3/2 Projector





## Previously known facts about this states

- The state can be reduced into a graph state under suitable measurement operations [?]
- The measurement is a joint measurement of the 3 qubit on each site

$$E_z = \frac{2}{3} (|000\rangle\langle000| + |111\rangle\langle111|)$$

$$E_x = \frac{2}{3} (|+++ \rangle\langle+++| + |--- \rangle\langle---|)$$

$$E_y = \frac{2}{3} (|iii\rangle\langleiii| + |-i-i-i\rangle\langle-i-i-i|)$$

where  $|0\rangle, |+\rangle, |i\rangle$  are the eigenstates of the  $Z, X, Y$  operators<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>6</sup>Note that  $E_x^\dagger E_x + E_y^\dagger E_y + E_z^\dagger E_z = P_{3/2}$

## Graph reduction rules:

- After measurement is performed, apply the following graph reduction rules
  - (i) Merge neighboring sites with same POVM outcomes
  - (ii) Cut pairs of edges that connects two vertices
- The merged sites are called a *domain* and represent a single-logical qubit

## Reasons for the rules to hold:

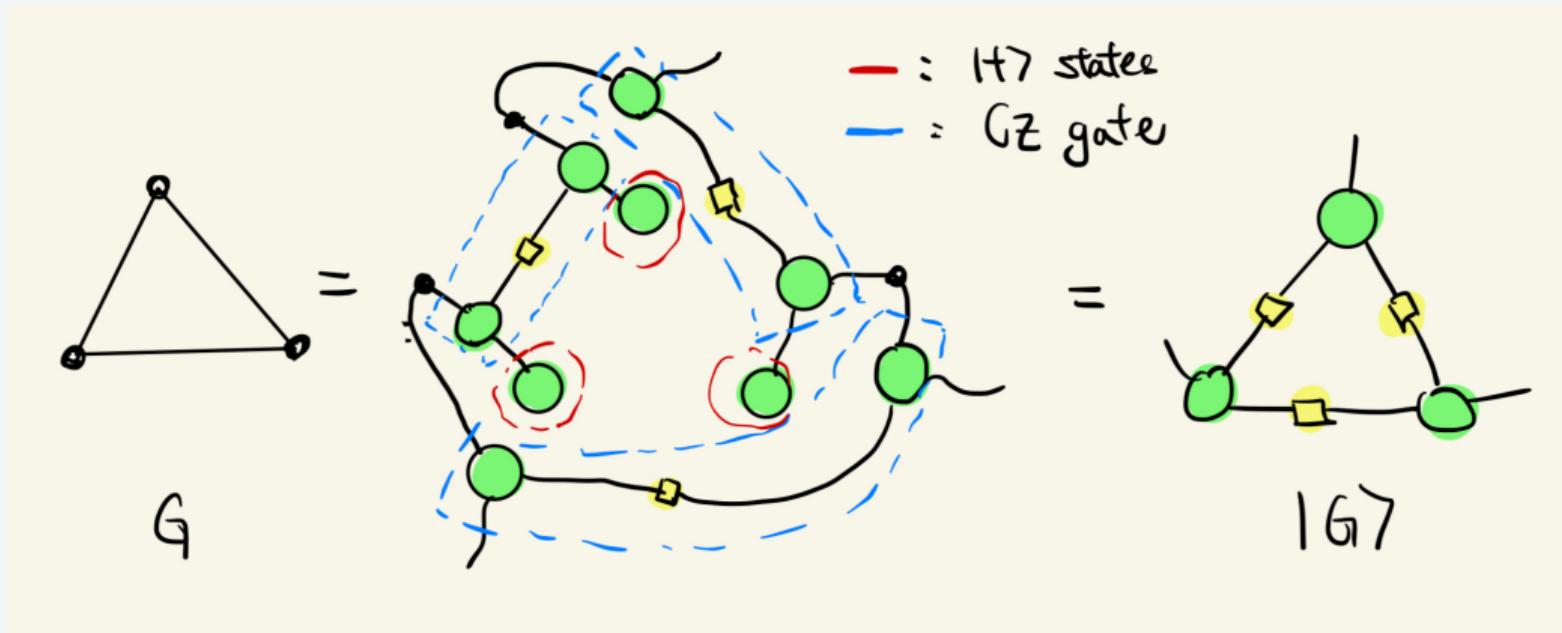
1. Neighboring sites are antiferromagnetic, so if both of them are  $S_a = \pm 3/2$ , one can only have combinations of form  $|3/2, -3/2, \dots\rangle_{12}$  or  $| -3/2, 3/2, \dots\rangle_{12}$
2. Let  $m$  be the multiplicity of an edge, the inferred graph state stabilizer generators is of form  $X_u Z_v^m$ .<sup>7</sup> Since  $Z^2 = I$ , we can remove all but one edge.

**Universal Quantum Resource:** The construction above gives a cluster state in thermodynamic limit, which is a universal quantum resource.

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<sup>7</sup>To be honest I can't follow this part of the argument

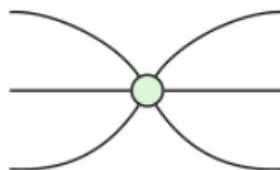
# Graph state in ZX calculus



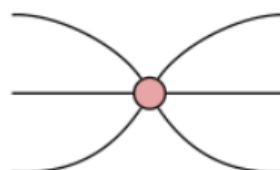
## Graph state reduction proof (ZX calculus):

We first write down the POVM operators

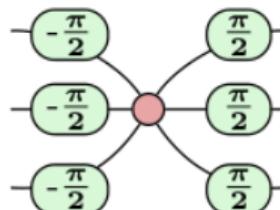
$$E_z \propto$$



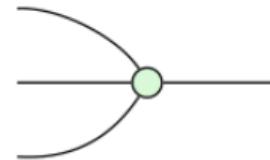
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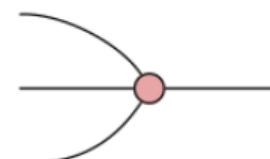
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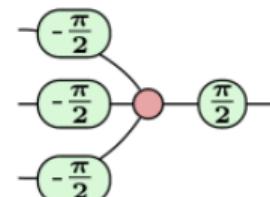
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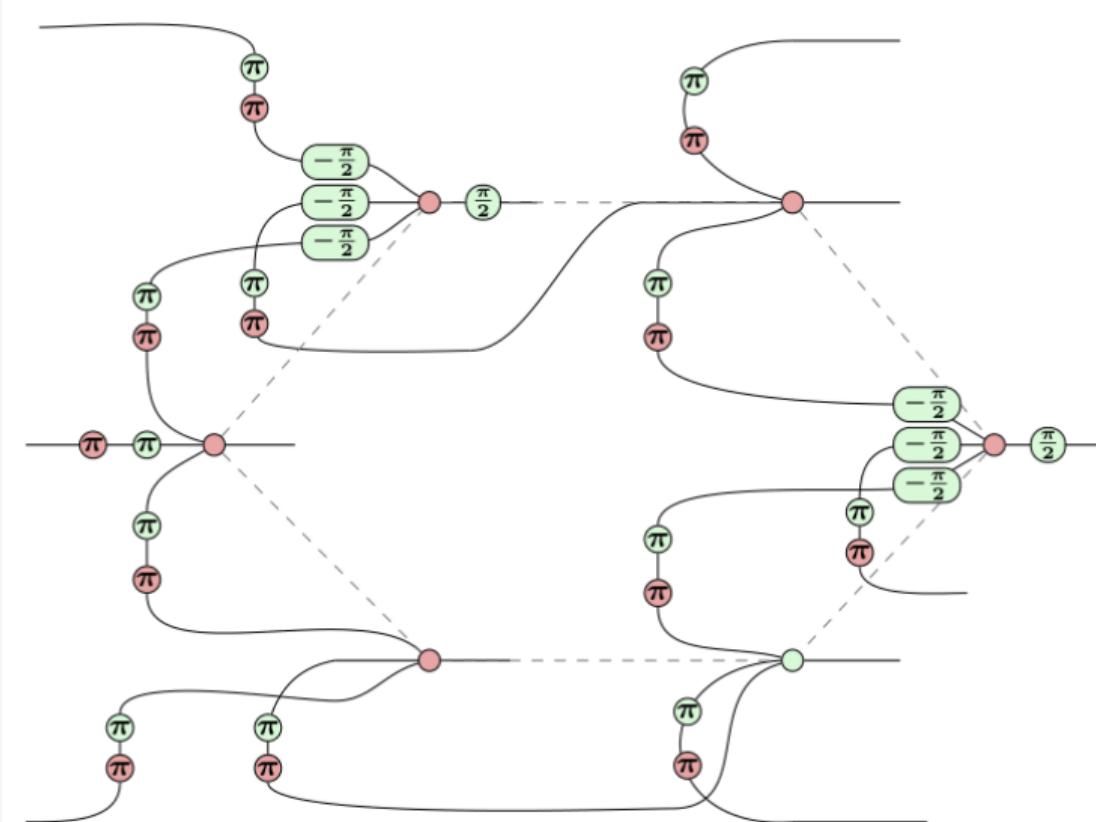
$$E_x \rightsquigarrow$$



$$E_y \rightsquigarrow$$



All of these operators are symmetric under permutation, so they "annihilate" the spin-3/2 projector and connects to the singlet directly

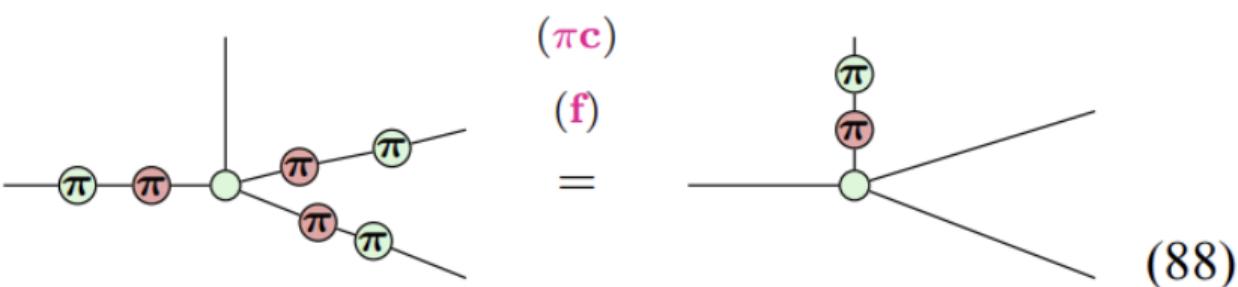


## Using known results on Clifford states:

- The diagram only contains contain any higher-arity H-boxes, and the only phases that appear are multiples of  $\pi/2$
- It is a so-called Clifford state, which can be presented as a graph state with single-qubit Clifofrd unitaries on its outputs. QED.
- We can also do it explicitly

## Explicit graph reduction

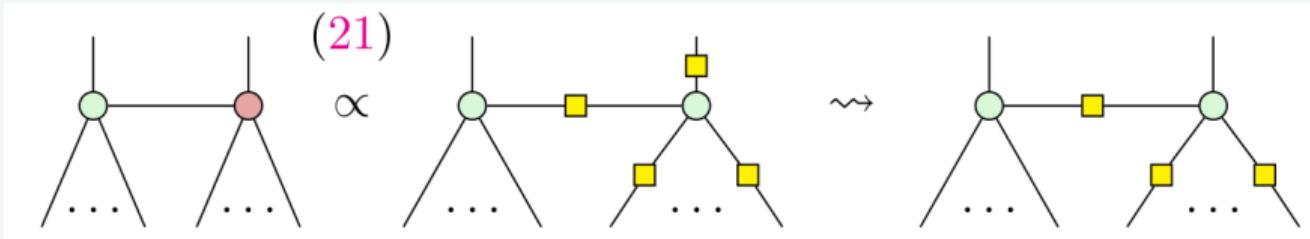
- First rewrite the edges so that we have a  $(\pi) - (\pi)$  in the output edges



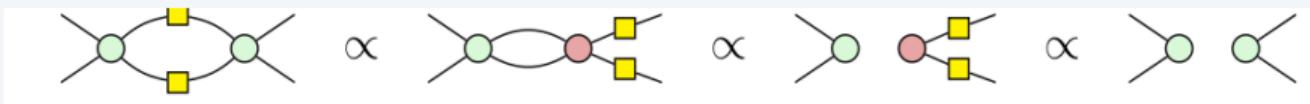
With that we can redefine our basis and eliminate those phases.

- We can then merge all the vertices with same color, this is the same as Rule 1 in [?]

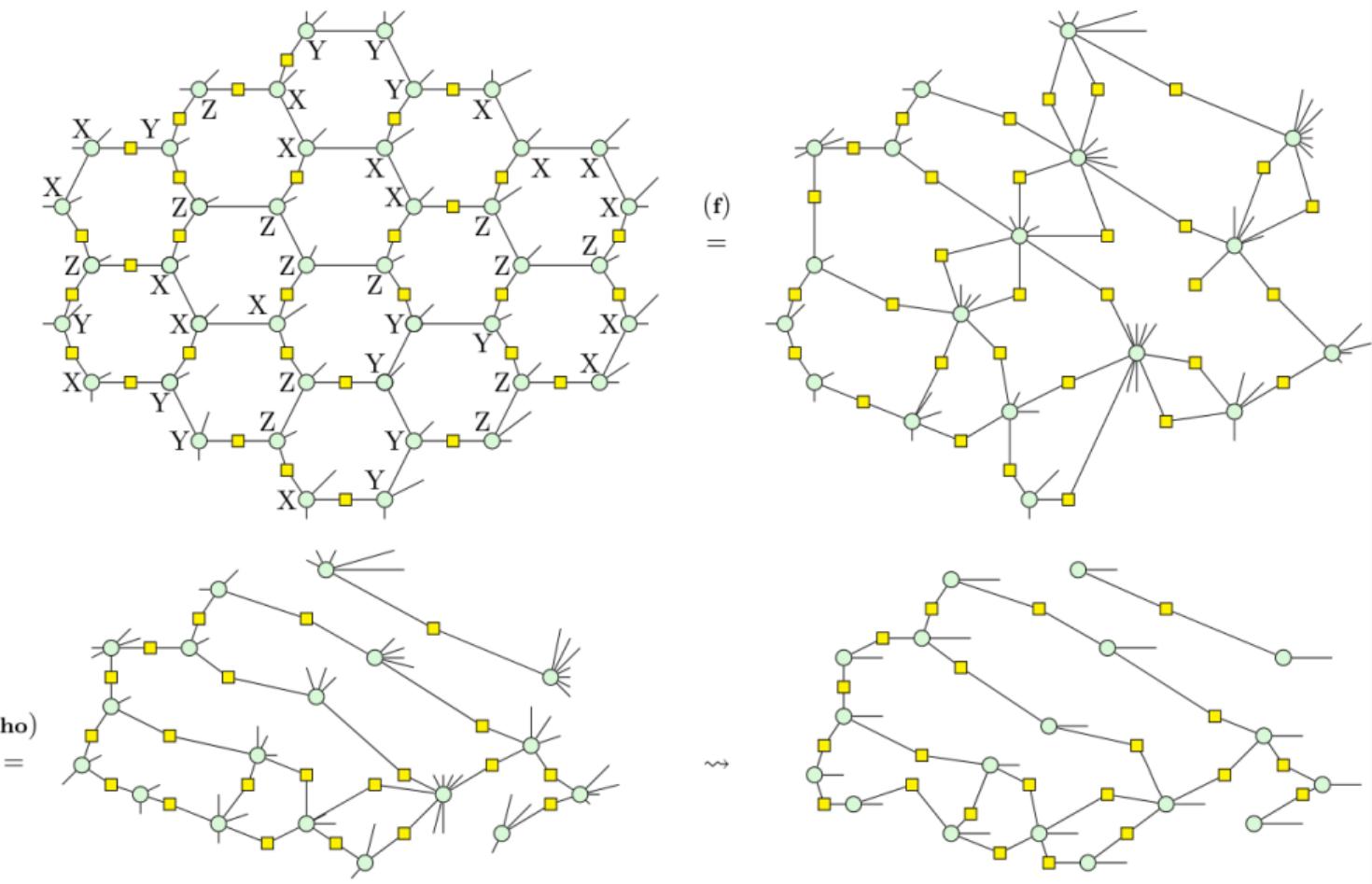
- We can then pull out hadamard gates from red vertices to make our states manifestly "graph-like"



- We can then remove edges with multiplicity  $m > 1$  by using the Hopf rule



This is basically Rule 2 in [?]





## Using PyZX

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# About PyZX

- PyZX is an open-source packages for ZXH calculus
- Allows you to construct circuits and graphs directly
- Also supports automatic graph simplification
- Repo link: <https://github.com/Quantomatic/pyzx>



# Graphical reduction with PyZX

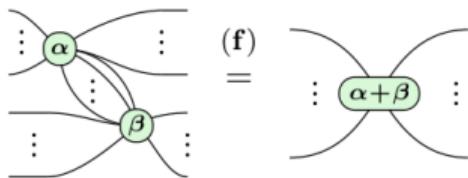
*"Talk is cheap. Show me the code." - Linus Torvalds*



# Appendix

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# ZX calculus rewriting rules

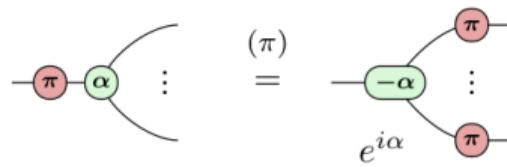


$$m \left\{ \dots \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \dots \right\} n \stackrel{(b)}{=} m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \dots \quad \dots \\ \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \end{array} \right\} n$$

$$(\sqrt{2})^{(n-1)(m-1)}$$

$$\textcolor{green}{\bullet} = \textcolor{black}{\text{—}}$$

(id)



$$\left\{ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \dots \right\} n \stackrel{(c)}{=} \frac{e^{i\alpha}}{\sqrt{2}^{n-1}} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \dots \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\textcolor{green}{\bullet} \textcolor{red}{\bullet} = 1/2 \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \textcolor{red}{\bullet}$$

(ho)

$$m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right. \alpha \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\} n = \sqrt{2}^{n+m} m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right. \alpha \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\} n \quad (20)$$

$$m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right. \alpha \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\} n = \sqrt{2}^{n+m} m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right. \alpha \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\} n \quad (21)$$

$$\alpha \text{---} = e^{i\alpha} \text{---} \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \square \quad \square \end{array} \stackrel{(\mathbf{hh})}{=} 2 \quad \text{---}$$

$$m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right| \square \quad \square \quad \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right\} n \stackrel{(\mathbf{hf})}{=} 2 \quad m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right| \square \quad \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right\} n$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \square \end{array} \stackrel{(\mathbf{rw})}{=} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \square \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \square \end{array} \stackrel{(\mathbf{hc})}{=} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \pi \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \square \end{array} \stackrel{(\mathbf{ex})}{=} \sqrt{2} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \square \\ \textcolor{teal}{b} \quad \square \end{array} \stackrel{(\mathbf{m})}{=} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{ab} \end{array}$$

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$$m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right| \square \quad \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right\} n \stackrel{(\mathbf{hb})}{=} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^{n-1} m \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right| \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \vdots \\ \cdot \end{array} \right\} n$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \square \end{array} \stackrel{(\mathbf{in})}{=} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \quad \textcolor{teal}{\circ} \end{array}$$

# Constructor of projector of higher spin

- To represent spins  $N/2$  sites, we stack  $N$  spin-1/2 and project onto the symmetric subspace<sup>8</sup>
- This is done by the symmetrizing projector

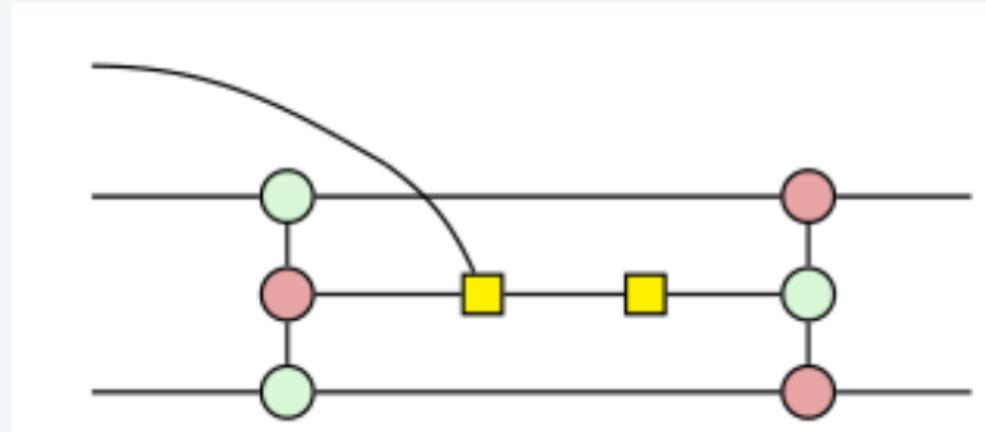
$$P = \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_N} U_\sigma$$

where  $U_\sigma |x_1 x_2 \cdots\rangle = |x_{\sigma(1)} x_{\sigma(2)} \cdots\rangle$

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<sup>8</sup>Recall the highest spin subspace of  $N$  spin-1/2 is all the states that are symmetric under permutation of spin indices

- Basically we want a coherent superposition of swap wires
- This is done by CSWAP which maps  $|0xy\rangle \mapsto |0xy\rangle$  and  $|1xy\rangle \mapsto |1yx\rangle$ .



- Higher projectors can be constructed inductively by swapping additional qubit with all other qubits<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>9</sup>There are some subtleties as to how to make sure only at most one CSWAP is fired each time. Details are presented in Appendix C of the paper.

# Higher spin representation of SU(2)

- One way to represent arbitrary spins is to stack  $N$  spin-1/2

$$\overbrace{\mathbf{2} \otimes \mathbf{2} \cdots \otimes \mathbf{2}}^{N \text{ copies}}$$

- The representation of  $\mathfrak{su}(2)$  in this space is basically given by

$$\hat{S}_z = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{S}_z^{(i)} \quad \hat{S}_{\pm} = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{S}_x^{(i)} \pm i \hat{S}_y^{(i)}$$

- To construct a spin- $N/2$  subspace, we take the highest state  $|\uparrow \cdots \uparrow\rangle$  and apply  $\hat{S}_-$  repeatedly
- The highest state is obviously symmetric under permutation of spin label
- For any state obtained by applying  $\hat{S}_-$ , we note that

$$\text{Perm}(\hat{S}_- |\psi\rangle, \sigma) = \text{Perm}(\hat{S}_-, \sigma) \text{Perm}(|\psi\rangle, \sigma)$$

where  $\sigma \in S_N$  is a permutation of spin index

- Since both  $\hat{S}_-$  and  $|\psi\rangle$  are totally symmetric, the state  $\hat{S}_- |\psi\rangle$  must also be a totally symmetric state
- Therefore, the subspace spanned by totally symmetric states is the highest spin subspace.

# Positive operator valued measure (POVM)

- Let  $\{\mathcal{O}_i\}$  be a set of positive semi-definite operators. The set of operator is said to form a positive operator value value measure (POVM) if they satisfy the completeness relations

$$\sum_i \mathcal{O}_i = I$$

- Since it is always possible to write  $\mathcal{O}_i$  in terms of Kraus operators  $E_i^\dagger E_i$ , we can also express our relations in terms of Kraus operators

$$\sum_i E_i^\dagger E_i = I$$

- $E_i$  are not unique because  $E_i \mapsto UE_i$  where  $U$  is unitary gives you another set of valid Kraus operators

- The post-measurement state is not uniquely determined by  $\mathcal{O}_i$
- However, given  $E_i$ , the post-measurement state is given by

$$|\psi\rangle \mapsto \frac{E_i |\psi\rangle}{\langle \psi | E_i^\dagger E_i | \psi \rangle}$$

- Note that the post-measurement state is not uniquely defined by  $\mathcal{O}_i$  as  $E_i$  is undetermined up to a unitary  $U$
- This agree with the notion that we need to supply in addition to  $\mathcal{O}_i$  the exact form of  $E_i$  to uniquely determine the post-measurement state

# Graph states

- A simple graph  $G = (V, E)$  consists of a set of vertices  $V$  and a set of edges  $E \subseteq \{\{x,y\} \in V \times V, x \neq y\}$
- Let  $G$  be a graph, and  $|G\rangle_0 = |+\rangle^{\otimes}$  be the empty graph state. The graph state  $|G\rangle$  is defined as

$$|G\rangle = \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \mathcal{U}_{ij} |G_0\rangle$$

where  $\mathcal{U}_{ij} = \text{CZ}(i,j)$  with  $i,j \in V$

- Equivalently, graph states can be understood using the stabilizer formalism

- A *cluster state* is a graph state where the underlying graph is a lattice
- Any 2D cluster state is a universal resource for measurement-based quantum computation
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- The spin operator (with  $\hbar$  stripped) for spin-1 systems are

$$S_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad S_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 \\ i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & -i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 0 & i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad S_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Therefore the rotation operator of the group  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  is represented as

$$U_x(\pi) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad U_y(\pi) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad U_z(\pi) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Note that these are the matrix representation in the spin-1 z basis

- Therefore, if we apply these transformations individually to each site, we have

$$A_i^\sigma \mapsto \sum_{\sigma=0,\pm 1} U_\sigma^{\sigma'} A_i^{\sigma'}$$

where  $\sigma$  denote the  $\sigma$ -th component of the spin-1 spinor and  $i$  is the site index.

- In particular



## More examples using ZX rewrite rules

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## Example: CNOT swapping

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