

Internal Levin–Wen models

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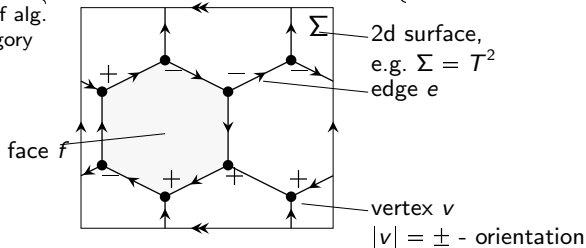
Kitaev and Levin–Wen models give (some of the) topological phases.

Both work similarly:

algebraic input \mathbb{A} , surface Σ , lattice $\Gamma \subseteq \Sigma \rightsquigarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{state space } V \\ \text{Hamiltonian } H \end{array} \right.$

$\overbrace{\text{Kitaev - s.si. fin. dim. Hopf alg.}}^{\text{LW - spherical fusion category}}$

e.g.



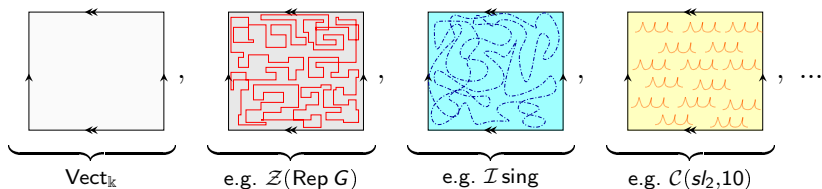
\mathbb{A} yields a vector space X , one sets $V = \bigotimes_{v \in \Gamma_0} X^{|v|}$ and the Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{v \in \Gamma_0} (\text{id}_V - P_v) + \sum_{e \in \Gamma_1} (\text{id}_V - P_e) + \sum_{f \in \Gamma_2} (\text{id}_V - P_f)$$

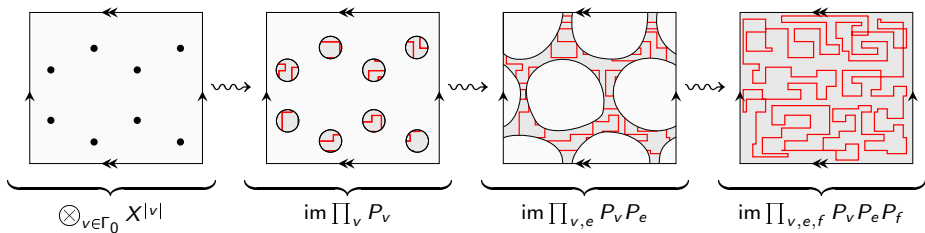
where $P_c P_c = P_c$, $[P_c, P_{\tilde{c}}] = 0$ - commuting projectors.

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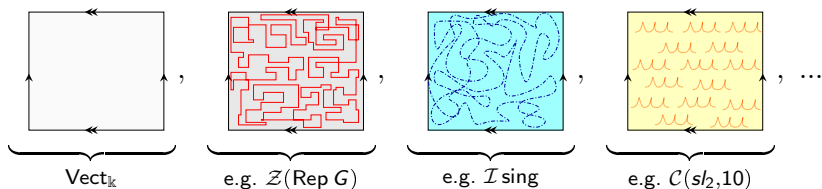


Kitaev \subseteq Levin–Wen models gradually project onto the top. phase:

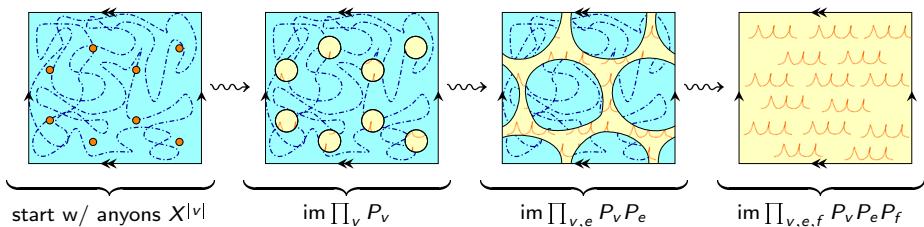


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Internal Levin–Wen models gradually project a phase \mathcal{C} onto a phase \mathcal{D} :



Prerequisites

To define internal Levin–Wen models, we will need:

1. Reshetikhin–Turaev (RT) TQFTs with embedded ribbon graphs (a.k.a. graph TQFTs or TQFTs with line and point defects)
2. A generalisation of RT TQFTs which includes surface defects via internal (2d) state-sum
3. Internal (3d) state-sum or generalised orbifold construction on RT TQFTs with line and surface defects

In short:

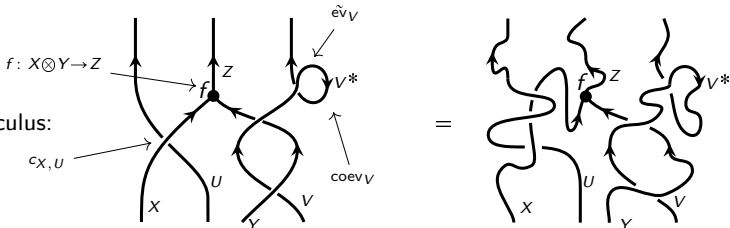
$$\text{graph TQFT } Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{RT}} \xrightarrow{\text{int. 2d ss}} \text{defect TQFT } Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{def}} \xrightarrow{\text{int. 3d ss}} \text{orbifold TQFT } Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}}$$

Modular categories and anyons

Modular fusion category \mathcal{C} is

- ▶ finitely semisimple:
 - $\mathcal{C}(X, Y) := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y) - \mathbb{k}\text{-vector space}$,
 - U – simple $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C}(U, U) \cong \mathbb{k}$,
 - $\text{Irr}_{\mathcal{C}} = \{U_i - \text{simple}\}$ is finite,
 - $X \cong \bigoplus_i U_i^{\oplus N_X^i}$
- ▶ fusion: monoidal with \otimes linear on hom.'s
- ▶ braided: $c_{X,Y}: X \otimes Y \rightarrow Y \otimes X$
- ▶ spherical: $\text{ev}_X: X^* \otimes X \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$, $\text{coev}_X: \mathbb{1} \rightarrow X \otimes X^*$,
 $\tilde{\text{ev}}_X: X \otimes X^* \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$, $\widetilde{\text{coev}}_X: \mathbb{1} \rightarrow X^* \otimes X$, left trace = right trace
- ▶ modular: transparent obj.'s are $\mathbb{1}^{\oplus n}$ (i.e. Müger centre is $\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}$)
- ▶ e.g. $\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}$, $\mathcal{Z}(\text{Rep } G)$, $\mathcal{Z}(\text{Rep } H)$, $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{S})$, ..., Vect_A^q , $\mathcal{F}ib$, $\mathcal{I}sing$, ...

Graphical calculus:

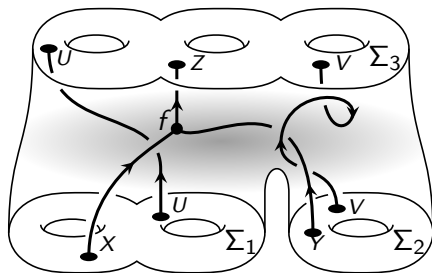


Modular categories and anyons

A modular fusion category \mathcal{C} describes

point excitations \Leftrightarrow **line and point defects** \Leftrightarrow **anyons**

in a $3 = (2 + 1)$ -dim. TQFT:



$$\underbrace{Z: \text{Bord}_{3,2} \longrightarrow \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}}_{\text{ordinary TQFT}}$$

\rightsquigarrow

$$\underbrace{Z_{\mathcal{C}}: \text{Bord}_{3,2}^{\text{rib}}(\mathcal{C}) \longrightarrow \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}}_{\text{"graphTQFT"}}$$

Reference example: Reshetikhin–Turaev construction

Reshetikhin-Turaev graph TQFT

[Reshetikhin-Turaev'91]

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↓ signature extension - to eliminate gluing anomaly

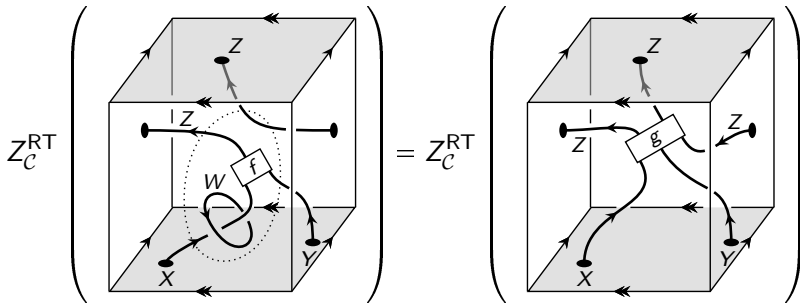
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3d bordisms w/ \mathcal{C} -ribbon graphs - hence "graph TQFT"

obtained from a modular fusion category (MFC) \mathcal{C} + a choice for $\sqrt{\text{Dim } \mathcal{C}}$
[Turaev'94]

by applying the universal construction on the RT invariants of closed 3d manifolds with embedded \mathcal{C} -coloured ribbon graphs.

[Blanchet et al.'95], [De Renzi et al.'19]



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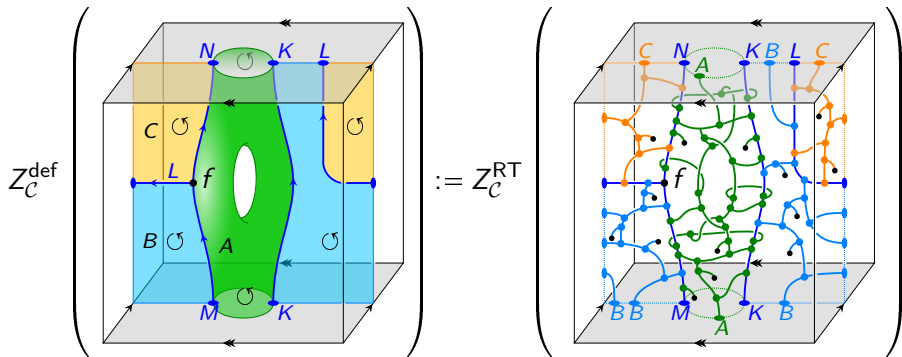
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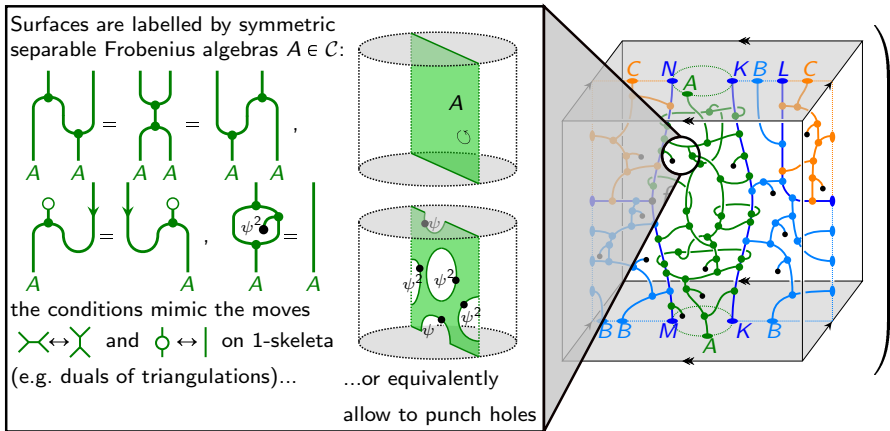
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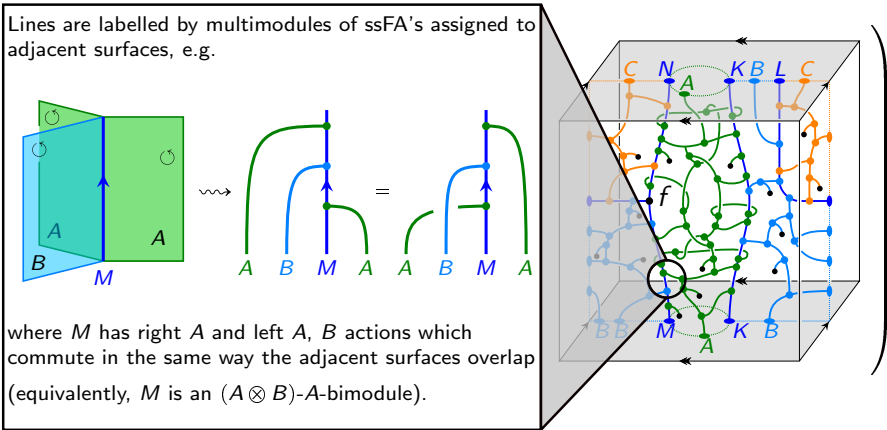
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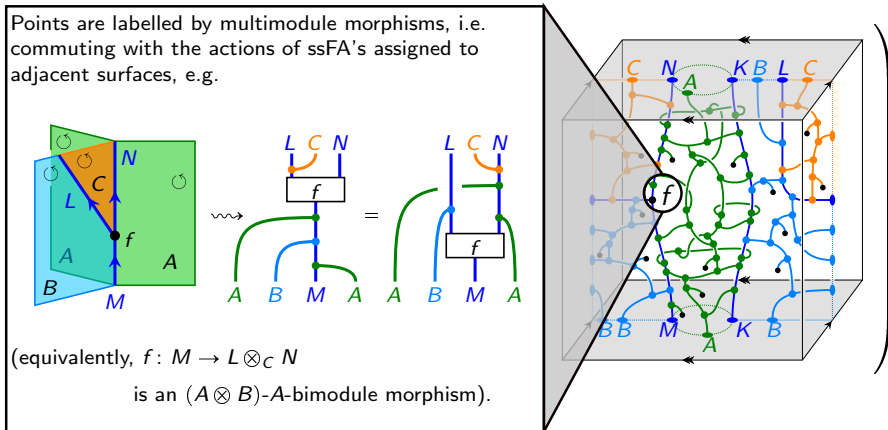
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$$Z_C^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}} \left(\text{cube} \right) := Z_C^{\text{def}} \left(\text{stratified cube} \right)$$

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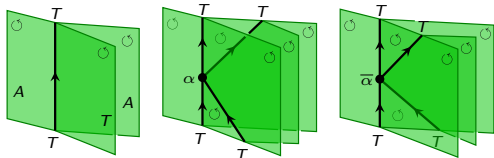
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An orbifold datum $\mathbb{A} = (A, T, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}, \psi, \phi)$ carries the labels for the strata of the 2-skeleton:



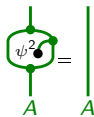
A - ssFA
 ${}_A T_{A \otimes A}$ - bimod.

$$\alpha : T \otimes_2 T \rightarrow T \otimes_1 T \quad \bar{\alpha} : T \otimes_1 T \rightarrow T \otimes_2 T$$

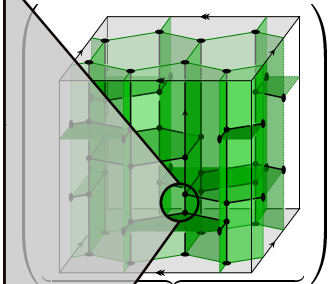
A - $(A \otimes A \otimes A)$ -bimodule morphisms

as well as some technicalities:

- $\psi : \mathbb{1}_C \rightarrow A$ for the separability condition
- $\phi \in \mathbb{k}^\times$ - normalisation factor



and satisfies the conditions...



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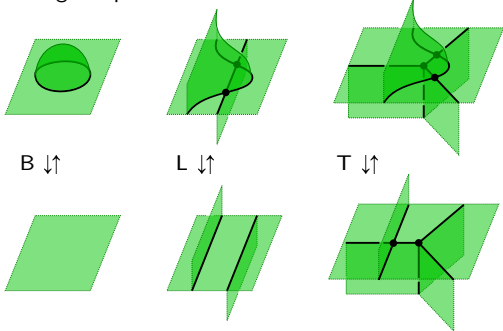
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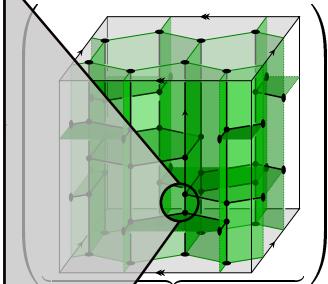
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... and satisfies the conditions, ensuring independence of the choice of 2-skeleta:



- the BLT moves must hold upon evaluating with Z_C^{def} ;
- various (admissible) orientations \Rightarrow 8 conditions;
- imagine: 2-skeleton - "foam",
BLT moves - "calculus of sliding bubbles"

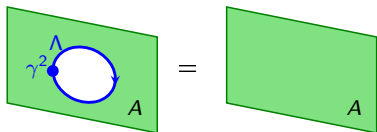


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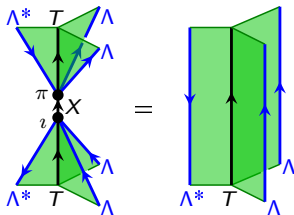
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Internal Levin–Wen model: input data

1. Modular fusion category \mathcal{C} with an object $X \in \mathcal{C}$
2. Orbifold datum $\mathbb{A} = (A, T, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}, \psi, \phi)$ in \mathcal{C}
3. A -module Λ and module endomorphism $\gamma: \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda$ such that



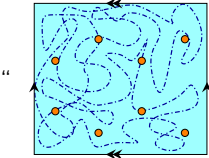
4. split idempotent $\pi: X \rightleftarrows \Lambda^* \otimes_A T \otimes_{A \otimes A} (\Lambda \otimes \Lambda) : \iota$



5. oriented surface Σ and an admissible skeleton $\Gamma \subseteq \Sigma$.

Internal Levin–Wen model: construction

The state space is defined to be

$$V := Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{RT}} \left(\underbrace{\Sigma \text{ with anyons } X^{|\nu|} \in \mathcal{C} \text{ at vertices } \nu \in \Gamma_0}_{\text{"}} \right)$$


From the definition of $Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{RT}}$ follows:

$$V \cong \mathcal{C} \left(\mathbb{1}, \bigotimes_{\nu \in \Gamma_0} X^{|\nu|} \otimes L^{\otimes g} \right), \quad L = \underbrace{\bigoplus_{i \in \text{Irr}_{\mathcal{C}}} U_i \otimes U_i^*}_{\text{coend}} \in \mathcal{C}.$$

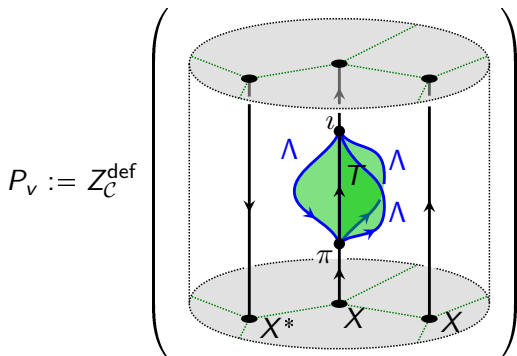
Note: the model is not local unless $\mathcal{C} = \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}$.

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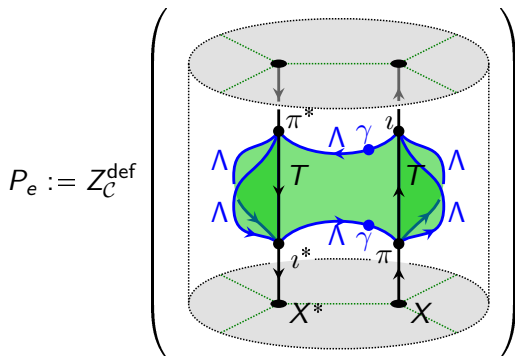
Note: since $\pi \circ \iota = \text{id}$, P_v is a projector.

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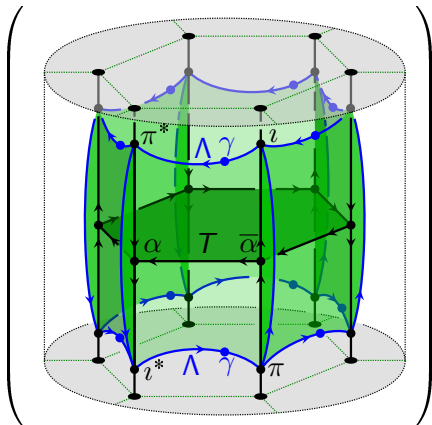
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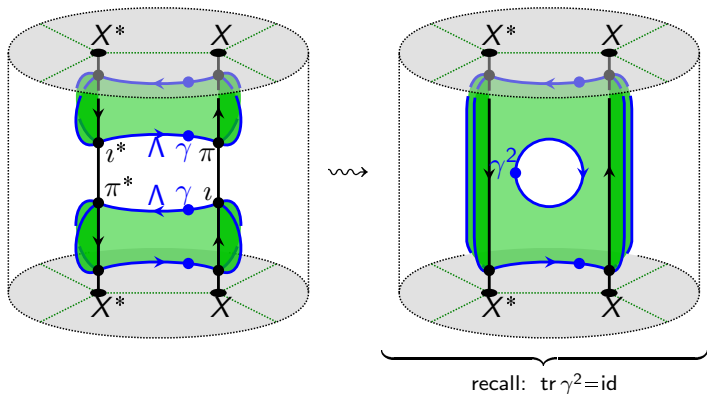
$$P_f := Z_C^{\text{def}}$$



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Claim: P_v, P_e, P_f are commuting projectors.

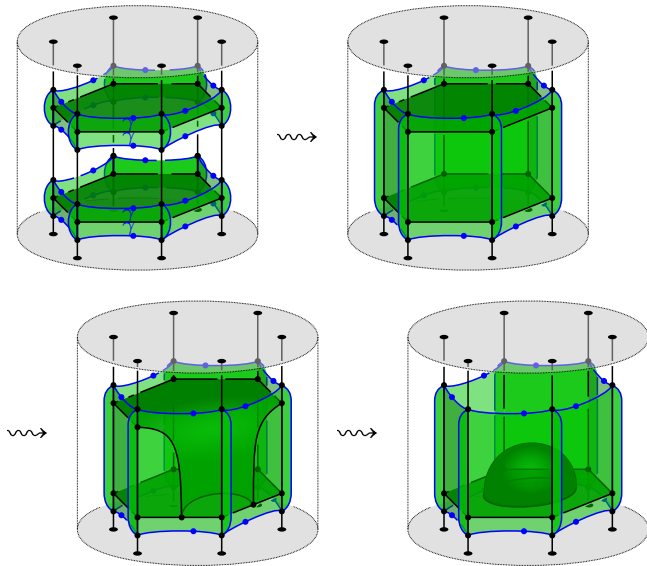
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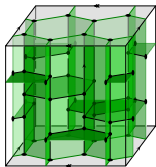
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Ground state

- As in original LW have:

$$V_0 = \bigcap_{f \in \Gamma_f} \text{im } P_f = \text{im } \prod_{f \in \Gamma_f} P_f = \text{im } Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{def}} \left(\text{img} \right) = Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}}(\Sigma).$$



[M-Runkel'20]

- Thm. An orbifold datum \mathbb{A} in a MFC \mathcal{C} yields a ribbon multifusion category $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}$. If \mathbb{A} is simple (i.e. $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}$ is fusion $\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}}$ is simple), it is a MFC.

[Carqueville-M-Runkel-Schaumann-Scherl'21]

- Thm. For \mathbb{A} - simple, have an isomorphism of TQFTs
 $Z_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}} \cong Z_{\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}}^{\text{RT}}$.

- \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} are Witt equivalent
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ spherical fusion category \mathcal{S} , s.t. $\mathcal{C} \boxtimes \mathcal{D}^{\text{rev}} \cong \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{S})$
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ orb. datum \mathbb{A} in \mathcal{C} s. t. $\mathcal{D} \simeq \mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}$.

[M'22]

Examples of orbifold data (\Rightarrow internal LW models)

► Drinfeld doubles:

A finite dimensional semisimple Hopf algebra K yields a simple orbifold datum in $\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}$:

$$\mathbb{A}_K = \left(A = K_{Fr}, \quad T = K^{\otimes 2}, \quad \dots \right).$$

K_{Fr} - ssFA w/ pairing
 $h \mapsto \dim H \int h$

Have: $(\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}})_{\mathbb{A}_K} \simeq D(H) - \text{Rep}$ and
internal LW for $\mathbb{A}_K \sim$ Kitaev model.

[Carqueville-Runkel-Schaumann'19-20]

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► Drinfeld centres:

A spherical fusion category \mathcal{S} yields a simple orbifold datum in $\text{Vect}_{\mathbb{k}}$:

$$\mathbb{A}_{\mathcal{S}} = \left(A = \mathbb{k}^{\oplus |\text{Irr}_{\mathcal{S}}|}, \quad T = \bigoplus_{i,j,k \in \text{Irr}_{\mathcal{S}}} \mathcal{S}(k, i \otimes j), \quad \alpha, \bar{\alpha} \leftarrow F\text{-symbols of } \mathcal{S}, \quad \dots \right).$$

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internal LW for $\mathbb{A}_{\mathcal{S}} \sim$ original LW model.

Further examples of orbifold data

- ▶ Condensations:

[Carqueville-Runkel-Schaumann'19-20]

[M-Runkel'20]

\mathcal{C} - modular fusion category, $B \in \mathcal{C}$ - condensable algebra
yields a simple orbifold datum in \mathcal{C} :

i.e. commutative
haploid ssFA

$$\mathbb{B} = \left(B, {}_B B_{B \otimes B}, \alpha = \bar{\alpha} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Y-junction} \\ \text{with } B \text{ labels} \end{array}, \psi = \begin{array}{c} \text{B-cup} \\ \text{with } B \text{ label} \end{array}, \phi = 1 \right)$$

Have: $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{B}} \simeq \mathcal{C}_B^{\text{loc}}$ - the category of local (dyslectic) modules

- ▶ Un-condensations:

[M'22]

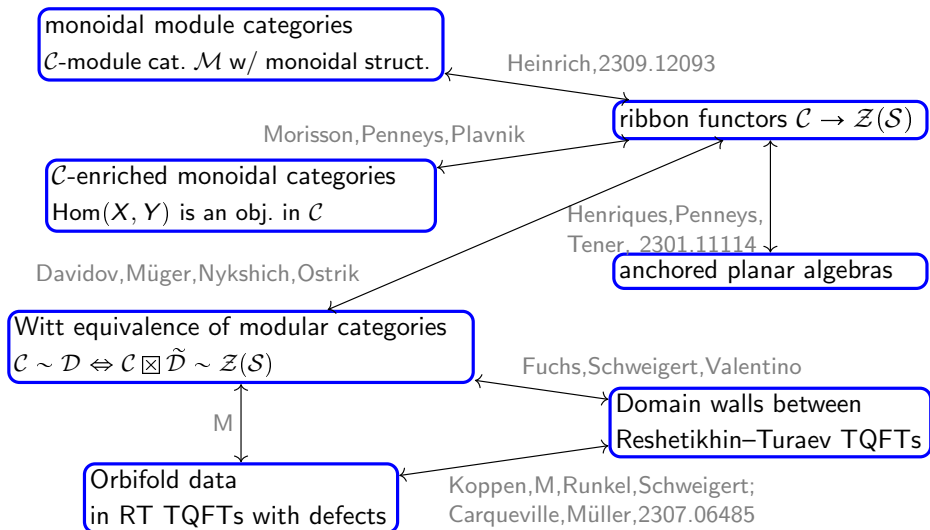
Thm. There is a simple orbifold datum \mathbb{A} in $\mathcal{C}_B^{\text{loc}}$ s.t. $(\mathcal{C}_B^{\text{loc}})_{\mathbb{A}} \simeq \mathcal{C}$.

Explicit example:

[M-Runkel'20]

$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}(sl_2, 10)$, $B = \underline{0} \oplus \underline{6}$ - the ' E_6 algebra'
 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_B^{\text{loc}} \simeq \mathcal{I}$ - (an) Ising category.

Orbifold data vs related notions



Final remarks

- ▶ Possible future work:

1. category $\mathcal{C}_\Delta \rightsquigarrow$ excitations of internal Levin–Wen;

2. string-net description of the ground state space

cf. [Huston–Kawagoe–Penneys–Poudel–Sanford] 2305.14068

3. similar models in other TQFTs:

- ▶ 2d Landau–Ginzburg [Carqueville–Murfett–Montiel–Montoya]

- ▶ 3d Turaev–Viro [Meusburger'22]

[Carqueville–Müller] 2307.06485

[Lootens–Fuchs–Haegeman–Schweigert–Verstraete'20]

Applications to tensor networks

- ▶ 3d Rozansky–Witten [Brunner–Carqueville–Fragkos–Roggenkamp]
2307.06284

- ▶ 4d Douglas–Reutter

- ▶ ...

- ▶ Related notion: condensation monads [Gaiotto–Johnson–Freyd'19]

Thank you!

MFCs from orbifold data

[M-Runkel'20]

Question: Is the TQFT $Z_C^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}}$ again of Reshetikhin-Turaev type?

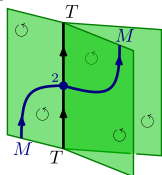
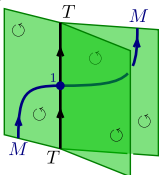
If so, one must include embedded ribbon graphs into $Z_C^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}}$

Definition

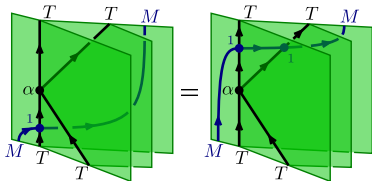
For an orbifold datum $\mathbb{A} = (A, T, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}, \psi, \phi)$, define the category $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}$ with

- objects: tuples

$$\left(M \in {}_A\mathcal{C}_A, \quad \tau_1: M \otimes_0 T \xrightarrow{\sim} T \otimes_1 M, \quad \tau_2: M \otimes_0 T \xrightarrow{\sim} T \otimes_2 M \right)$$



such that

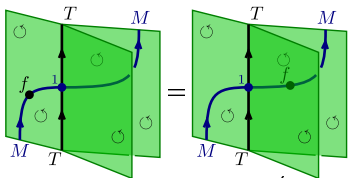


(7 conditions in total
 $\dots \Rightarrow$ strands are independent on
the embedding into the foam)

MFCs from orbifold data

[M-Runkel'20]

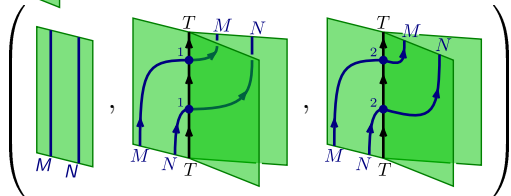
- ▶ morphisms: $f: M \rightarrow N$ is an A - A -bimodule morphism such that



, ... \Rightarrow points are independent on the embedding into the foam) (similarly for τ_2)

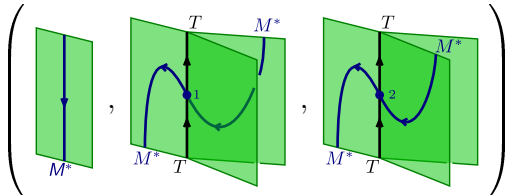
The category \mathcal{C}_A is:

- ▶ monoidal: $M \otimes N :=$

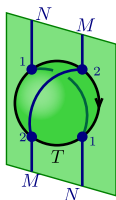


- ▶ spherical: $M^* :=$

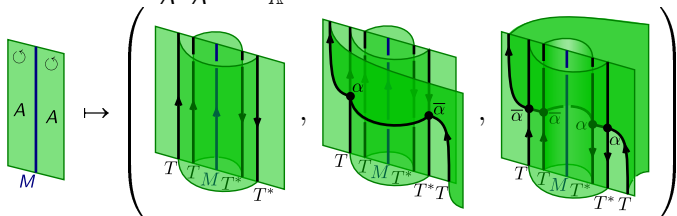
clearly pivotal like ${}_A\mathcal{C}_A$, sphericity is shown separately



- ▶ braided: $c_{M,N} := \phi^2$.



- ▶ finitely semisimple:
the pipe functor $P: {}_A\mathcal{C}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_A$



is the (left and right) adjoint to the forgetful functor $U: \mathcal{C}_A \rightarrow {}_A\mathcal{C}_A$
and the (bi)adjunction is separable (then ${}_A\mathcal{C}_A$ fin. s.si. $\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_A$ fin. s.si)

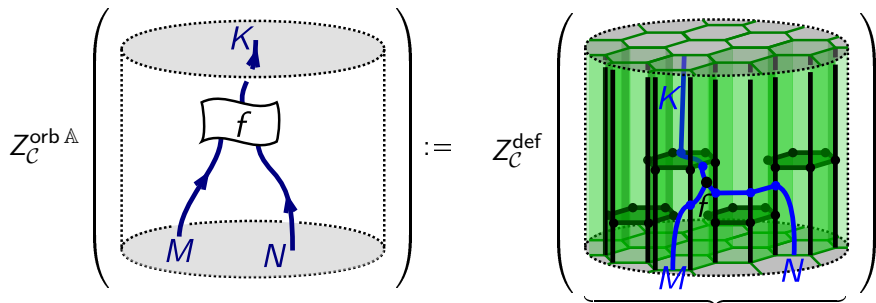
Theorem If \mathbb{A} is simple (i.e. $\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{C}_A} := A$ is simple) then \mathcal{C}_A is a MFC.

Reshetikhin-Turaev orbifold graph TQFT [Carqueville-M-Runkel -Schaumann-Scherl'21]

... is the symmetric monoidal functor

$$Z_C^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}} : \widehat{\text{Bord}}_3(\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}) \longrightarrow \text{Vect}$$

defined i.t.o. Z_C^{def} via an internal 3d state-sum construction in which the ribbon graphs are embedded into the foam e.g.



stratification is a ribbon diagram:

- admissible 2-skeleton + ribbon graph;
- intersection points labelled by τ 's;

Theorem *If \mathbb{A} is simple then the graph TQFTs $Z_{\mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{A}}}^{\text{RT}}$ and $Z_C^{\text{orb } \mathbb{A}}$ are isomorphic.*