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Vacuum Degeneracy

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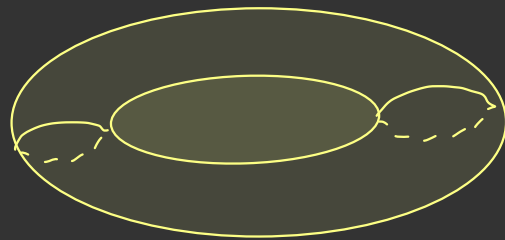
$$f_{uv} = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \int_0^{L_1} dx_1 a_1 &\equiv \bar{a}_1 \\ \int_0^{L_2} dx_2 a_2 &\equiv \bar{a}_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{gauge invariant}$$

$$a_1 = \partial_1 \varphi + \frac{\bar{a}_1}{L_1}, \quad a_2 = \partial_2 \varphi + \frac{\bar{a}_2}{L_2}$$

$$S = \frac{k}{4\pi} \int dx_0 \varepsilon_{ij} \bar{a}_i \partial_0 \bar{a}_j$$

$$\Rightarrow [\bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2] = i \frac{2\pi}{k} \Leftrightarrow \bar{a}_2 = -i \frac{2\pi}{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{a}_1}$$



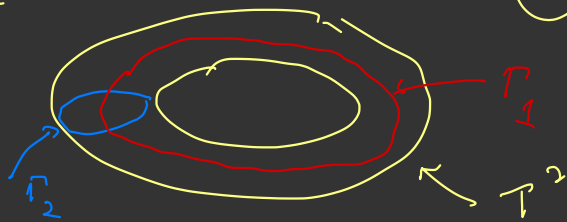
torus T^2



Wilson loops on non-contractible cycles of T^2

$$W(\Gamma_1) = e^{i \int_0^{L_1} a_1} \equiv e^{i \bar{a}_1}$$

$$W(\Gamma_2) = e^{i \int_0^{L_2} a_2} \equiv e^{i \bar{a}_2}$$



$$\Rightarrow W(\Gamma_1) W(\Gamma_2) = e^{-\frac{i 2\pi}{k}} W(\Gamma_1) W(\Gamma_2)$$

\Rightarrow invariance under large g.t. $\Rightarrow \bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2$ define a 2-torus

$$U_1 = e^{ik \bar{a}_2}, \quad U_2 = e^{-ik \bar{a}_1} \Rightarrow U_1 U_2 = e^{i \frac{2\pi}{k}} U_2 U_1$$

$\Rightarrow U_1$ and U_2 shift \bar{a}_1 and \bar{a}_2 by 2π

$$U_1^{-1} W(\Gamma_1) U_1 = W(\Gamma_1); \quad U_2^{-1} W(\Gamma_2) U_2 = W(\Gamma_2)$$

Let $|0\rangle / W(\Gamma_1) |0\rangle = |0\rangle$ (e.v. = 1)

$\Rightarrow W(\Gamma_2) |0\rangle$ has e.v. $e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{k}}$

$$W(P_i) W^P(P_i) |0\rangle = e^{-i 2\pi P/k} W^P(P_i) |0\rangle$$

⇒ We have k linearly indep. states on a torus

on a surface Σ of genus g the degeneracy is g^k

⇒ We have a finite-dim. Hilbert space

This theory is known as the C.S. theory $U(1)_k$ level

⇒ Laughlin states have a degeneracy m on a torus

One can construct wave functions for these states by replacing the coordinates z_i by Theta-functions $\Theta(z_i)$

Multi component Chern - Simons theory

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We will have a_m^I with $I=1, \dots, N$, gauge group: $U(1)^N$

$$\mathcal{L}(a_m^I, A_m) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} K_{IJ} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} a_\mu^I \partial_\nu a_\lambda^J - \frac{e}{2\pi} A_\mu t_I \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu a_\lambda^I +$$

$$K_{IJ} = K_{JI}; K_{II} \equiv m \text{ (odd for fermions)} + \int_{\text{qp}} l_I a_\mu^I$$

t_I : charge vector, l_I : qp vector

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worldlines of excitations (qps)

vacuum degeneracy: $|\det K|^g$ ($g = \text{genus}$)

Filling fraction: $\nu = (K^{-1})_{IJ} t_I t_J$

charge $Q = -e (K^{-1})_{IJ} t_I l_J$; statistics: $\Theta = \pi (K^{-1})_{IJ} l_I l_J$

mutual statistics $\Theta(l, l') = \pi (K^{-1})_{IJ} l'_I l_J$

Short Detour: BF Theory and Toric Codes

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- * Toric Code is another name for the deconfined phase of a \mathbb{Z}_2 (and \mathbb{Z}_N) lattice gauge theory in $2+1$ dimensions
- * Its topological content is captured by the BF theory
- * It has two gauge fields, a_μ and b_μ

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{N}{2\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} b^\mu \partial^\nu a^\lambda ; \quad K\text{-matrix} \quad K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & N \\ N & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad N \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{degeneracy: } |\det K| = N^2$$

$N=2$: \mathbb{Z}_2 toric code; It has 4 anyons: $I, e, m, \psi \equiv em$

$$W_\gamma^e = e^{i \oint_\gamma dx_\mu a^\mu}, \quad W_{\tilde{\gamma}}^m = e^{i \oint_{\tilde{\gamma}} dx_\mu b^\mu} \quad (\gamma, \tilde{\gamma} \text{ are linked})$$

$\{W_\gamma^e, W_{\tilde{\gamma}}^m\} = 0$: e and m are bosons but anticommute; ψ is a Majorana fermion

Generalizations: Multi-Component states

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* Almost all FQH states are abelian (i.e. multi-component Laughlin and Jain)

$$\Psi_{m,n}[\{z_i\}, \{w_j\}] \sim \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j)^m (w_i - w_j)^m \prod_{i \leq j} (z_i - w_j)^n \times \text{exponentials}$$

→ Halperin (m, m, n) states; $\nu = \frac{2}{m+n}$

* $n = m - 1 \Rightarrow$ spin singlets

* m odd for fermions, m even for bosons

* All abelian fermionic states have odd denominators

* Effective field theory: K -matrix (2×2)

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} m & n \\ n & m \end{pmatrix}_{\mathbb{I}\mathbb{I}}, \text{ charge vector } t_{\mathbb{I}} = (1, 1), \quad l_{\mathbb{I}} = (1, 0), (0, 1)$$

$$\text{qp charges } Q = \pm \frac{e}{m+n}, \text{ statistics } \theta = \pi \frac{m}{m^2 - n^2}$$

$$\text{degeneracy on a torus} = |\det K| = |m^2 - n^2|$$

Prominent examples

$[331]$, $\nu = 1/2$, $K = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$, degeneracy = 8, $Q = \pm \frac{e}{4}$, $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{8}$, P

$[332]$, $\nu = 2/5$, $K = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$, degeneracy = 5, $Q = \pm \frac{e}{5}$, $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{5}$, S

$[112]$, $\nu = 2/3$, $K = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, degeneracy = 3, $Q = \pm \frac{e}{3}$, $\theta = -\pi/3$, S

charge and neutral modes: $a_{\pm}^m = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (a_1^m \pm a_2^m)$, $l_{\pm} = l_1 \pm l_2$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{m+n}{4\pi} a_+ d a_+ - \sqrt{2} \frac{e}{2\pi} A d a_+ + \frac{m-n}{4\pi} a_- d a_- + \int \frac{q p}{r} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} l_+ a_+^m + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} l_- a_-^m \right]$$

$\Rightarrow a_+$ is the charged mode, a_- is the neutral mode

Edge States: charged edge mode + neutral edge mode

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{m+n}{4\pi} (\partial_0 \varphi_+ \partial_1 \varphi_+ - v_c (\partial_1 \varphi_+)^2) + \frac{|m-n|}{4\pi} (\partial_0 \varphi_- \partial_1 \varphi_- - v_n (\partial_1 \varphi_-)^2)$$

φ_+ : charged, φ_- : neutral, $v_c > v_n$ $s = \text{sign}(m-n)$

CFT representation of FQH wave functions

* All abelian states can be written as expectation values in a 2D CFT

e.g. Laughlin $\Psi_m \sim \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^N e^{i\sqrt{m}\varphi(z_i)} e^{-\int d^2z' \sqrt{m} \rho_0 \varphi(z')} \right\rangle$ areal charge density

where $\varphi(z)$ is a compactified chiral boson in Euclidean space (imag. time)

$$\varphi \sim \varphi + 2\pi\sqrt{m} \quad (\text{here I rescaled } \varphi \text{ by } \sqrt{m} \text{ and } R = \sqrt{m})$$

* electron operator $V_e \sim e^{i\sqrt{m}\varphi(z)}$ scaling dimension $\Delta_e = \frac{m}{2}$

* quasi-hole (vortex) $V_{qh} \sim e^{i\varphi(z)/\sqrt{m}}$ " " $\Delta_{qp} = \frac{1}{2m}$

* physical states must be local w.r.t. the electron

$$\Rightarrow \text{only } V_{qh}^n \quad (n=1, \dots, m) \text{ are allowed}$$

\Rightarrow The ideal bulk wave functions are correlators of an Euclidean CFT!
This is the same CFT of the edge but in imaginary time,