

Dyonic Zero-Energy Modes

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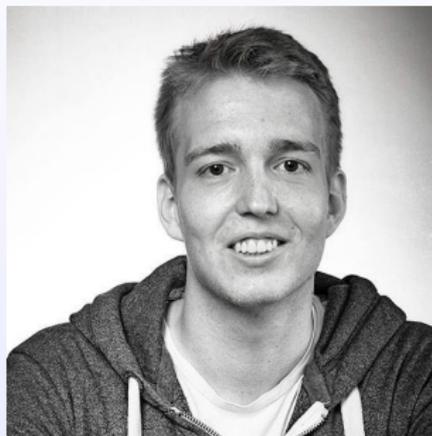
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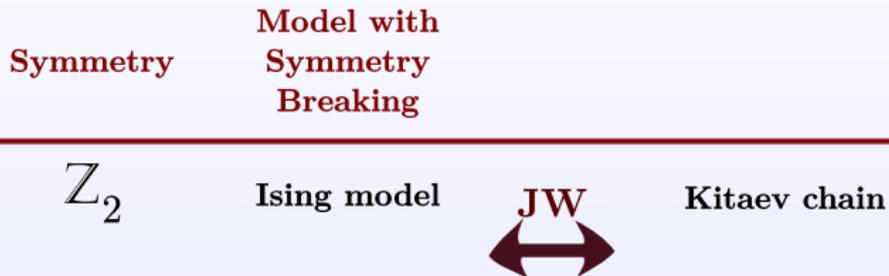
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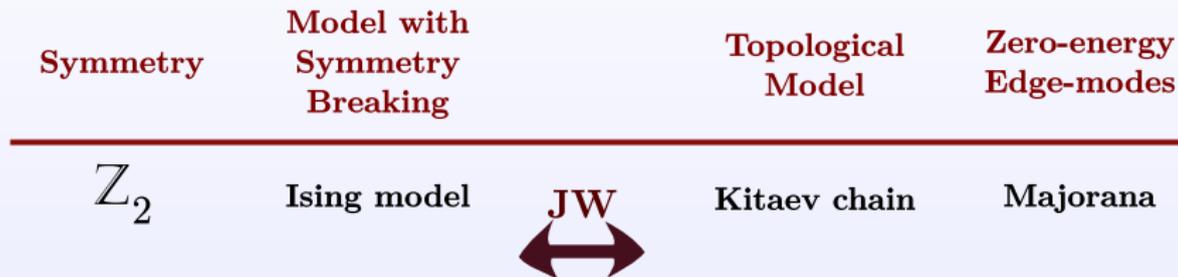
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Dyon:

Particle with both (non-Abelian!) *magnetic flux* and *electric charge*

The 1D Ising and Kitaev models

Ising:

$$H = -J \sum_{r=1}^L \sigma_{z,r} \sigma_{z,r+1} - \mu \sum_{r=1}^L \sigma_{x,r}$$

- \mathbb{Z}_2 global symmetry:

$$Q = \prod_r \sigma_{x,r}$$

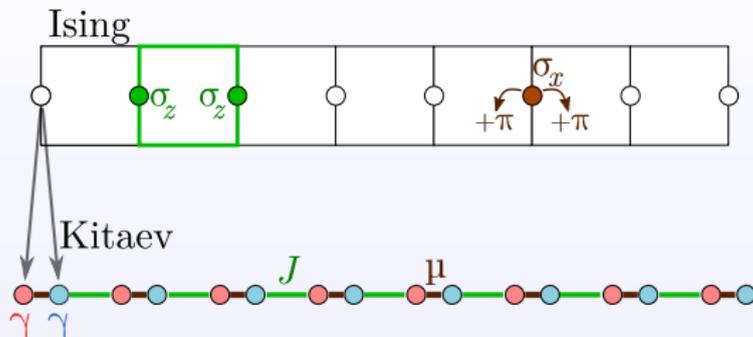
such that $|\uparrow\rangle \leftrightarrow |\downarrow\rangle$

- Ferromagnetic phase with broken symmetry
- Quasi-degenerate ground states, for $\mu = 0$:

$$|\psi_{\text{gs}1}\rangle\rangle = |\uparrow \dots \uparrow\rangle, \quad |\psi_{\text{gs}2}\rangle\rangle = |\downarrow \dots \downarrow\rangle$$

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Kitaev:



$$H = -iJ \sum_r^L \gamma_{2r} \gamma_{2r+1} - i\mu \sum_r^L \gamma_{2r-1} \gamma_{2r}$$

- Jordan-Wigner Transformation:

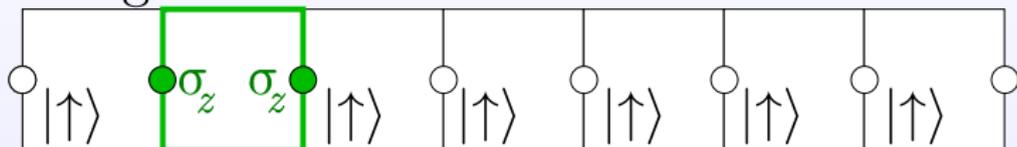
$$\gamma_{2r-1} = \sigma_{z,r} \prod_{j < r} \sigma_{x,j}, \quad \gamma_{2r} = -i \sigma_{z,r} \sigma_{x,r} \prod_{j < r} \sigma_{x,j}.$$

- Majorana operators: $\{\gamma_i, \gamma_j\} = 2\delta_{ij}$, $\gamma_i^2 = 1$.
- Symmetry $\mathcal{Q} = \prod_r \sigma_{x,r} \rightarrow \text{Parity } (-1)^F = \prod_r i \gamma_{2r-1} \gamma_{2r}$

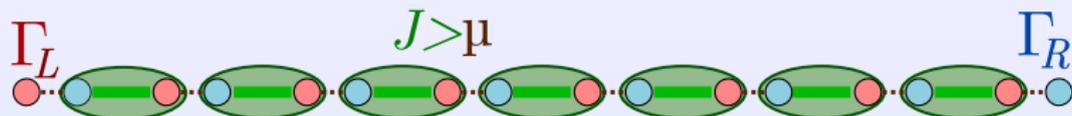
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Ferromagnetic - topological phase:

Ising



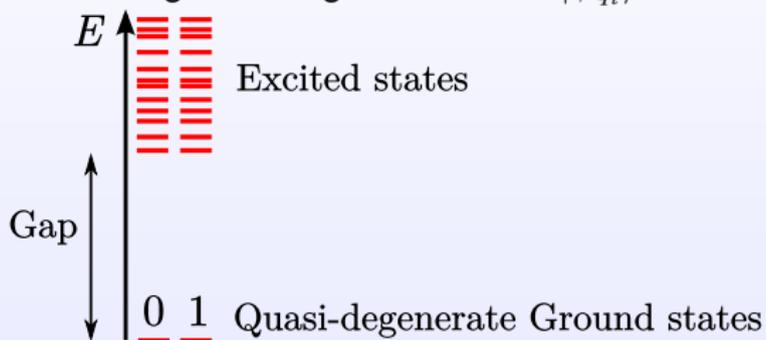
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1D Topological Order

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- 3 Local indistinguishability. For any local observable $O(r)$:

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where o decays exponentially with the system size.

Chiral Potts model

Kadanoff and Fradkin, N. Phys. B 1980; Fendley, JSTAT 2012

- Topological model with \mathbb{Z}_N symmetry:

$$H = -J \sum_{r=1}^L \left(e^{i\phi} \sigma_{r+1}^\dagger \sigma_r + \text{H.c.} \right) - \mu \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \sum_{r=1}^L \tau_r^k,$$

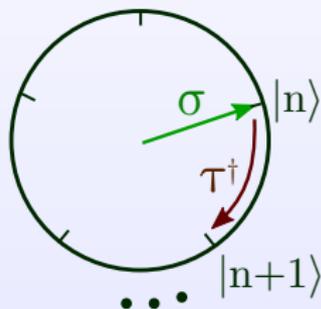
- N states for each site $\{|1\rangle, \dots, |N\rangle\}$, such that:

$$\sigma |n\rangle = e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}} |n\rangle$$

$$\tau^\dagger |n\rangle = |n \oplus 1\rangle$$

Clock operators:

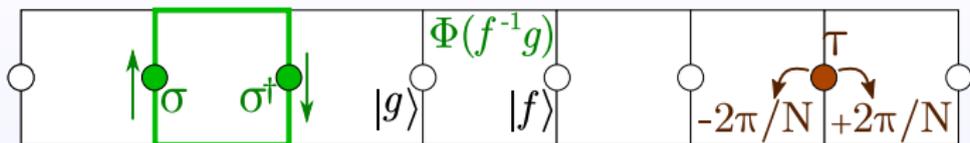
$$\sigma \tau = e^{i\frac{2\pi}{N}} \tau \sigma, \quad \sigma^N = \tau^N = \mathbb{1}$$



- Global Symmetry: $\mathcal{Q}_n = \prod_r \tau_r^n$
- For $J \gg \mu$ and $|\phi| < \pi/N$ we get a ferromagnetic phase.
- N ground states with aligned clock degrees of freedom:

$$|\psi_n\rangle = |nn \dots n\rangle$$

Potts



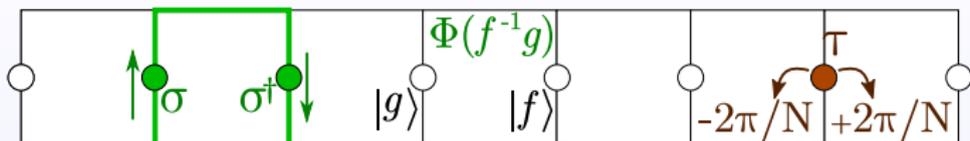
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- Each state in the chain is associated to an element $g \in \mathbb{Z}_N$:

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- For $\phi = 0$, the plaquette J -term returns an energy:

$$m_\Phi = -2J \cos [2\pi (n_g - n_f) / N]$$

- The ferromagnetic ground states have only trivial fluxes
- The μ -term varies the fluxes in the plaquettes

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$$\theta_h |g\rangle = |hg\rangle,$$

$$\theta_h^\dagger |g\rangle = |h^{-1}g\rangle$$

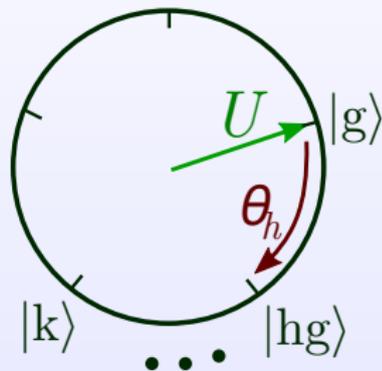
θ constitutes a left group multiplication.

- **Connection operators:** $\sigma \rightarrow U_{mn}^K$.
 U_{mn}^K is a matrix of operators such that:

$$U_{mn}^K |g\rangle = D_{mn}^K(g) |g\rangle,$$

$$U_{mn}^{K\dagger} |g\rangle = D_{mn}^{K\dagger}(g) |g\rangle$$

where $D^K(g)$ is the unitary matrix representation of g with respect to the irreducible representation K .



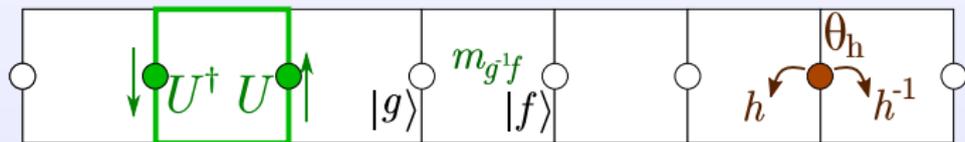
Commutation rule:

$$\theta_h^\dagger U_{mn} = D_{mm'}(h) U_{m'n} \theta_h^\dagger$$

From the clock model to the flux ladder

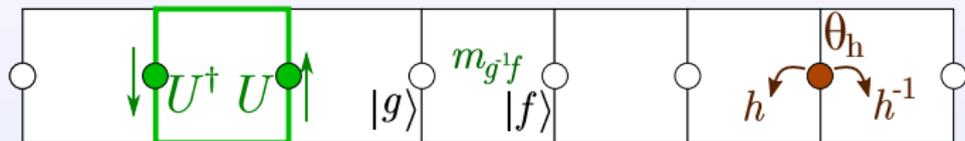
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$$H_{\text{FLUX}} = \underbrace{-J \left(\sum_r \text{Tr}[U^F(r+1) C U^{F\dagger}(r)] + \text{H.c.} \right)}_{H_J} - \underbrace{\mu \sum_r \sum_{g \neq e \in G} \chi^A(g^{-1}) \theta_g(r)}_{H_\mu}$$



- H_J assigns a mass m_h to all the $h \in G$ fluxes
- C is a unitary matrix (parameter). It breaks time reversal
- H_μ nucleates pairs of fluxes and gives them kinetic energy
- $\chi^A(g) = \text{Tr} [D^A(g)]$ depends on (the conjugacy class of) g

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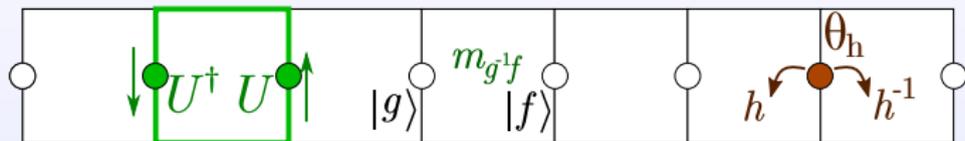
$|g_r\rangle_r = |g_{r+1}\rangle_{r+1} \Rightarrow$ No flux: H_J is minimized

$|g_r\rangle_r \neq |g_{r+1}\rangle_{r+1} \Rightarrow$ Non-trivial flux $\Phi!$

H_J defines the masses m_Φ

- We want C such that $m_h \neq m_k$ for $h \neq k$.

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- For $\mu = 0$ and $C \approx \mathbb{1}$ we are in a ferromagnetic phase.
- $|G|$ degenerate ground states with parallel degrees of freedom:

$$|\Psi_g\rangle\rangle = |gg \dots g\rangle \quad \forall g \in G$$

- Global (broken) left G symmetry
- For a weak $\mu \ll J$, the ground states split with $\Delta E \propto \frac{\mu^L}{J^{L-1}}$

Example: $G = S_3$

- S_3 is the group of the triangle with 6 elements:

$$R(n) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{2\pi n}{3} & -\sin \frac{2\pi n}{3} \\ \sin \frac{2\pi n}{3} & \cos \frac{2\pi n}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \quad I(n) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{2\pi n}{3} & \sin \frac{2\pi n}{3} \\ \sin \frac{2\pi n}{3} & -\cos \frac{2\pi n}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2$$

- Generators: $c = R(1), b = I(0)$, such that:

$$g(p, q) = b^p c^q, \quad p = 0, 1, \quad q = 0, 1, 2 \Rightarrow |g(p, q)\rangle \equiv |p\rangle \otimes |q\rangle$$

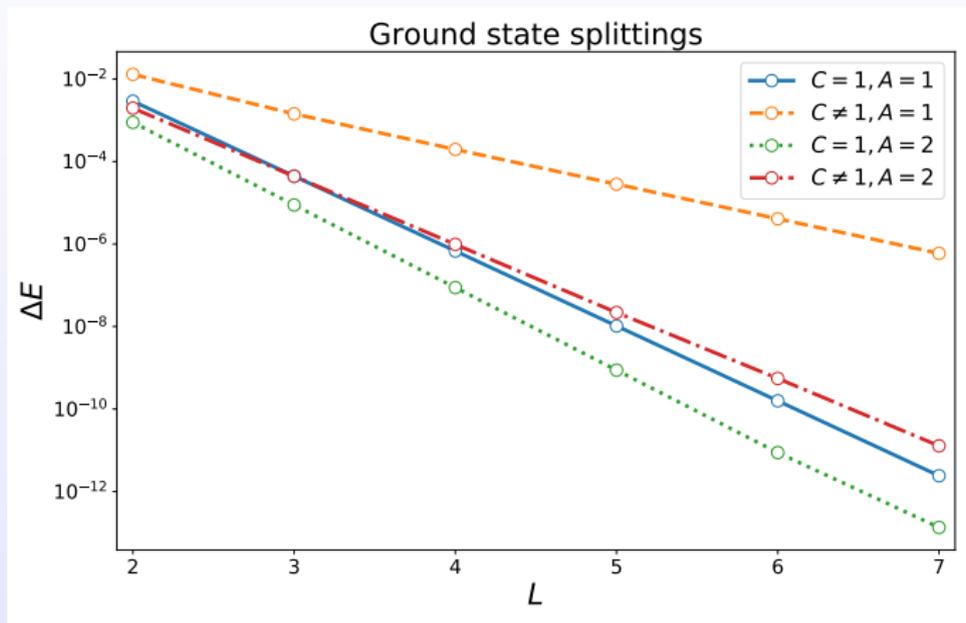
- Gauge operators:

$$\theta_b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \mathbb{1},$$

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

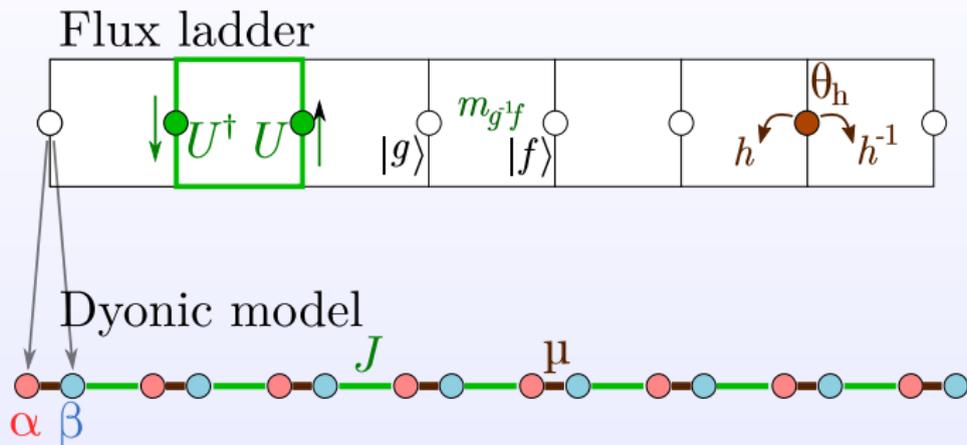
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How to build a topological model?

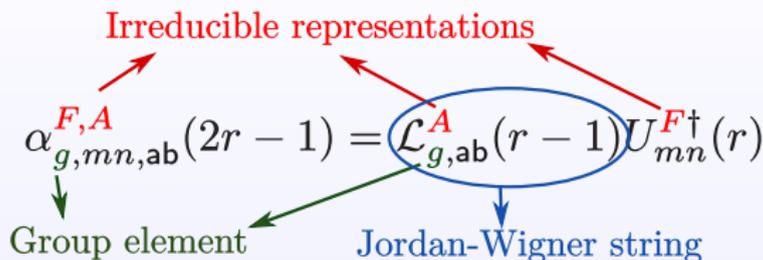
So far we have a ferromagnetic model with G symmetry



We need a Jordan-Wigner transformation to define operators α and β :

$$\alpha_{g,mn,ab}^{F,A}(2r-1) = \mathcal{L}_{g,ab}^A(r-1)U_{mn}^{F\dagger}(r),$$
$$\beta_{g,mn,ab}^{F,A}(2r) = \mathcal{L}_{g,ab}^A(r)U_{mn}^{F\dagger}(r),$$

The G -Jordan-Wigner transformation



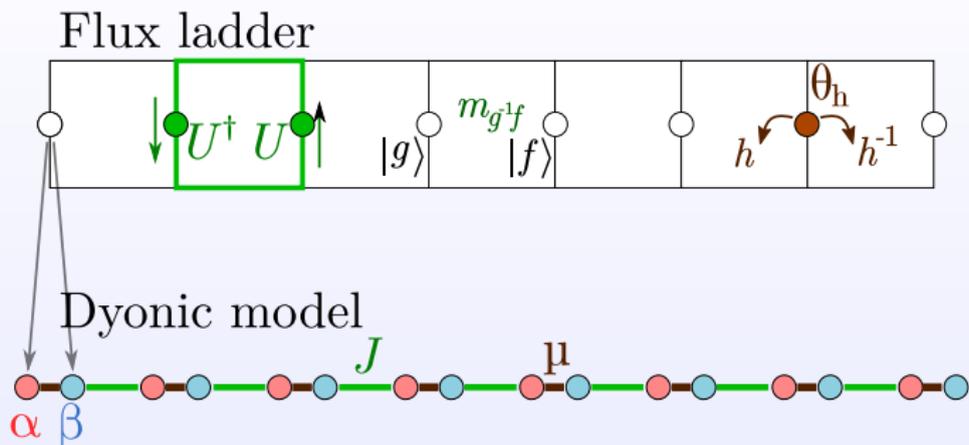
- $\mathcal{L}_g^A(r)$ is a Jordan-Wigner string which adds a flux g in the r^{th} plaquette.
- The string is built from “dressed” gauge transformations Θ_g^A :

$$\mathcal{L}_g^A(r) = \prod_{j \leq r} \Theta_g^{A\dagger}(j), \quad \Theta_g^A(j) = U^{A\dagger}(j)\theta_g U^A(j)$$

Θ_g^A is defined based on non-Abelian dualities
(Cobanera, Ortiz, Knill 2013)

Dyonic model

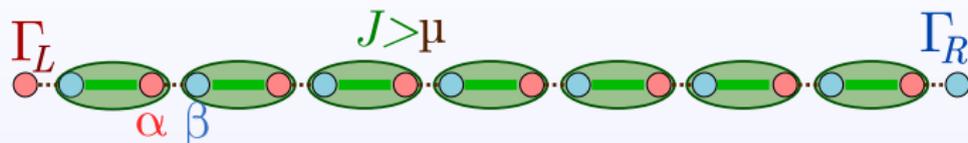
$$H_{\text{Flux}} \rightarrow H_{\text{Dyon}}$$



$$H_{\text{Dyon}} = -\frac{J}{\dim(A)} \left(\sum_r \text{Tr}_F \text{Tr}_A \left[\alpha_h^\dagger(2r+1) C \beta_h(2r) \right] + \text{H.c.} \right) - \frac{\mu}{\dim(F)} \sum_r \sum_{g \neq e \in G} \text{Tr}_F \text{Tr}_A \left[\beta_g^\dagger(2r) \alpha_g(2r-1) D^{F^\dagger}(g) \right]$$

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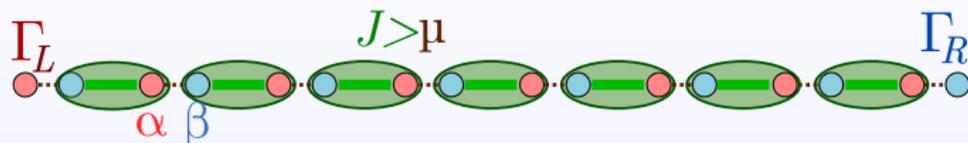
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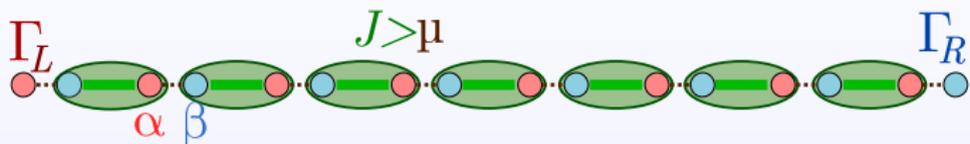
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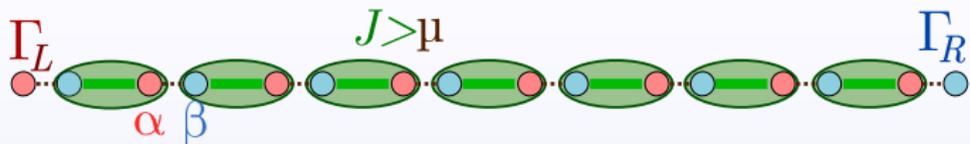
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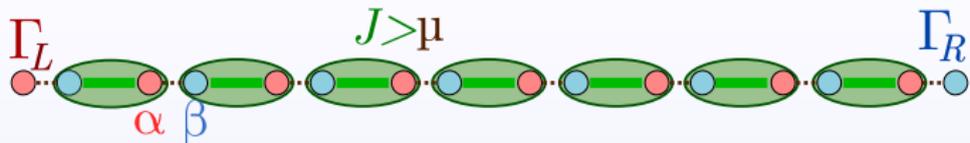
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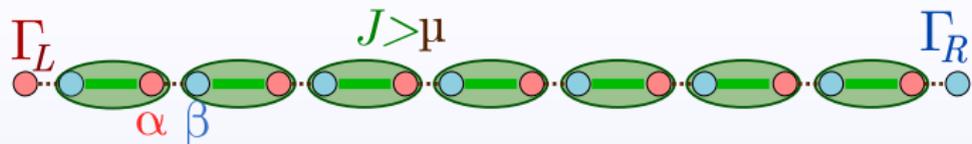


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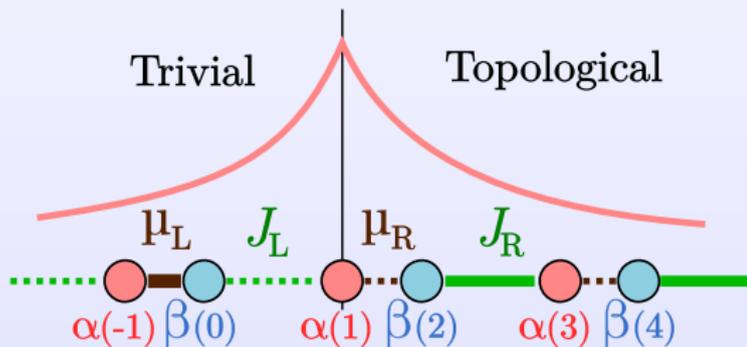
$$\mathcal{V}(\mu)\alpha(1)\mathcal{V}^\dagger(\mu) = \alpha(1) + \mu \sum_{h \neq e} \frac{\text{Tr} \left[\beta_h^\dagger(2)\alpha_h(1)D^\dagger(h) \right]}{m_h - m_e} \alpha(1) (\mathbb{1} - D^\dagger(h)) + O\left(\frac{\mu^2}{J^2}\right)$$

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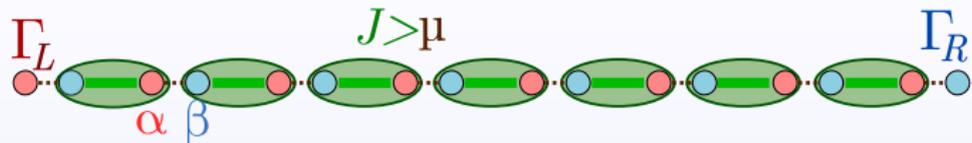


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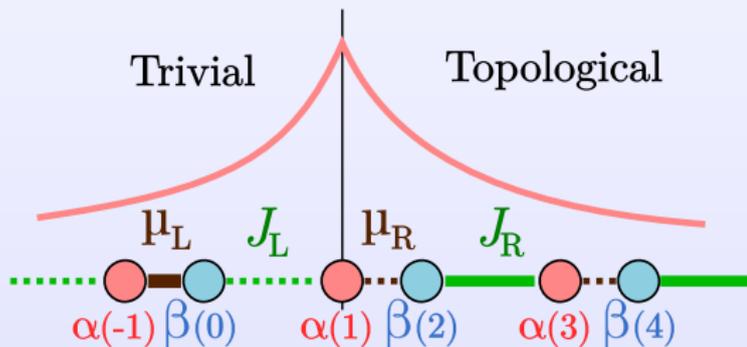


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