

FQH-Based Topological Quantum Computer: Materials, Devices & Algorithms

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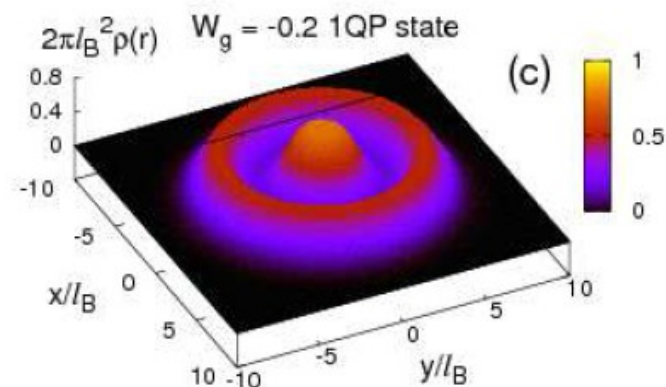
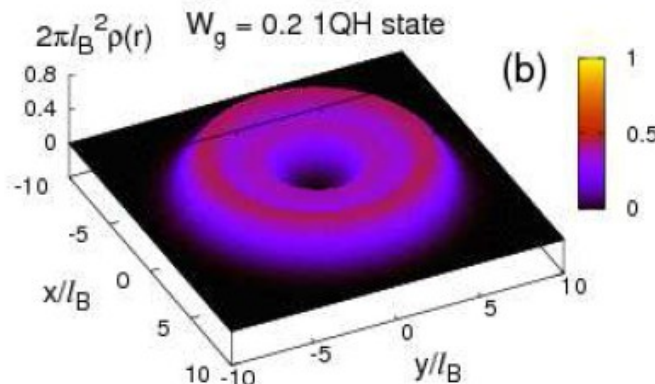
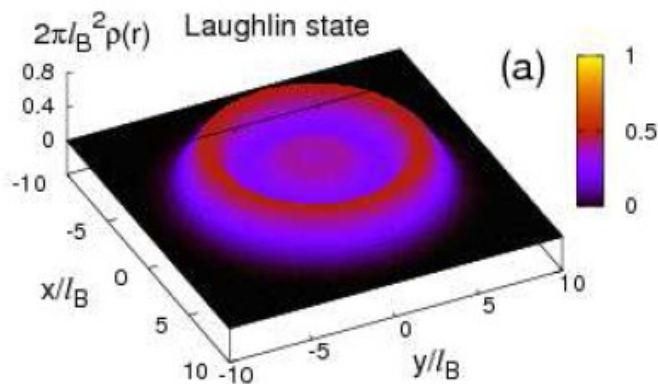
Model of Anyons

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 - The *fusion rules* $a \times b = \sum_c N_{ab}^c c$;
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 - The *R-matrix* (braiding rules).

1/3 Laughlin State

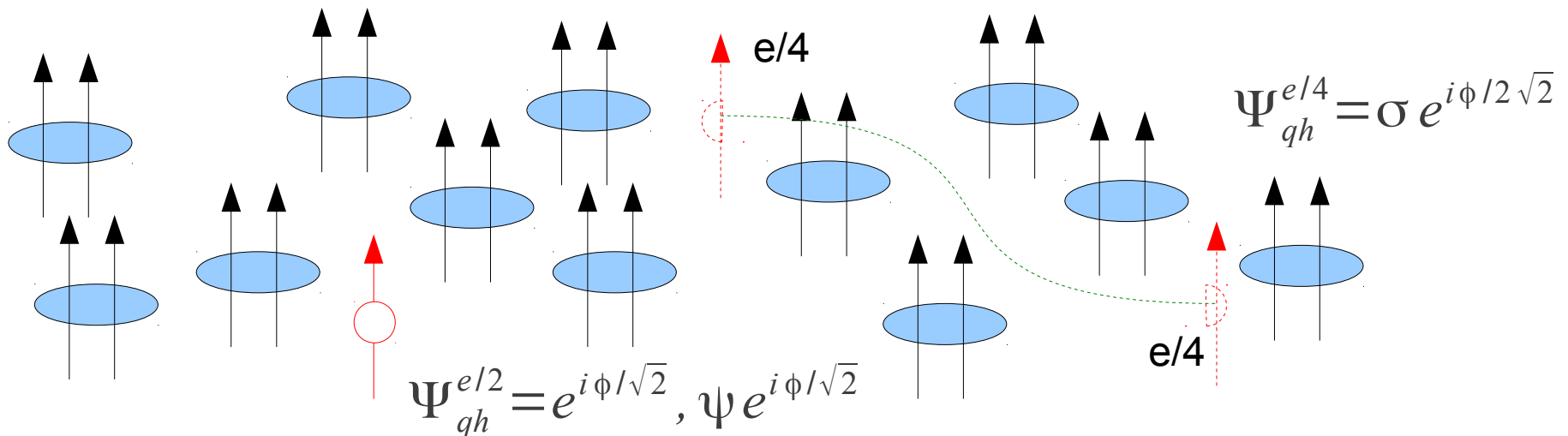
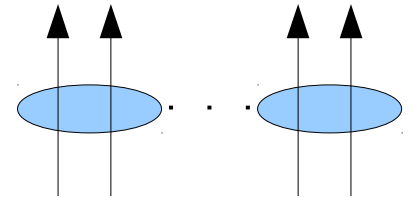
$$\{1 = u^0, u^1, u^2\}$$

$$u^{r_1} \times u^{r_2} = u^{r_1 + r_2 \pmod{3}}$$



A Cartoon of the Moore-Read State

- Half-filling $\nu = 1/2$: CF at zero effective field ($B^* = 0$)
 - 0LL (or LLL): Fermi sea of composite fermions
 - 1LL: Superfluid of Cooper pairs of composite fermions
 - 2+LL: Charge density wave
- Condensate of composite fermions ($\nu = 5/2 = 2 + 1/2$)



e/4 quasihole = charge-e/4 boson + neutral Majorana fermion mode

Quasiholes Wavefunctions in the Moore-Read State

- Moore-Read state (Moore & Read, 1991)

$$\Psi_{Pf} = Pf \left(\frac{1}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j)^m$$

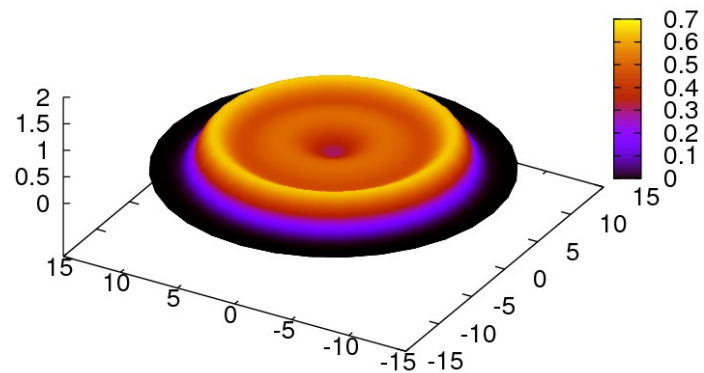
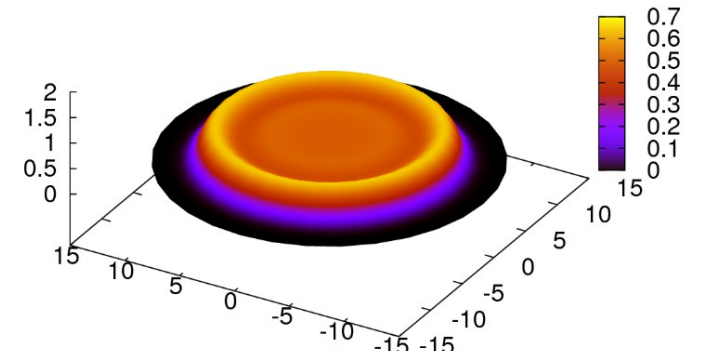
- Quasiholes in Moore-Read condensate

- Charge $e/2$, Abelian (Laughlin type)

$$\prod_i (z_i - \xi_1)(z_i - \xi_2) Pf \left(\frac{1}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (z_i - z_j)^2$$

- Charge $e/4$, non-Abelian

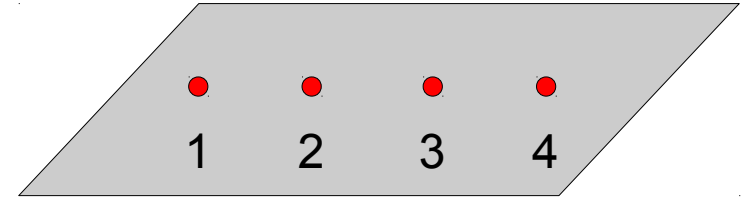
$$\Psi_{(12)(34)} = Pf \left(\frac{(z_i - \xi_1)(z_i - \xi_2)(z_j - \xi_3)(z_j - \xi_4) + i \Leftrightarrow j}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (z_i - z_j)^2$$



Quasiparticles cannot be generated by local operators, but can be moved around by local operators adiabatically.

Four-Anyon States

- Even when one fixes the location of all **quasiholes**, there are more than one states



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$$\Psi_{(13)(24)} = Pf \left(\frac{(z_i - \xi_1)(z_i - \xi_3)(z_j - \xi_2)(z_j - \xi_4) + i \Leftrightarrow j}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (z_i - z_j)^2$$

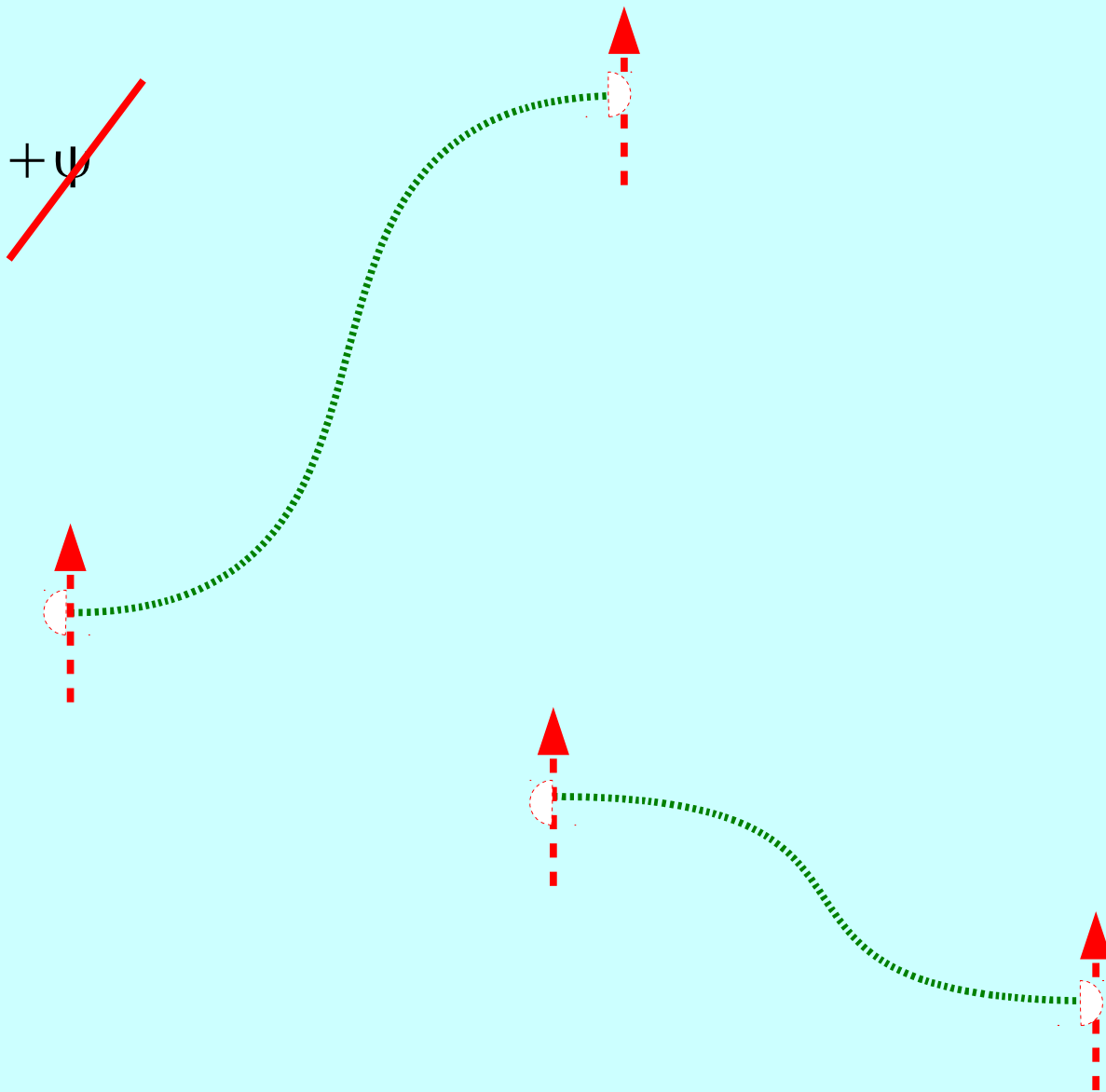
$$\Psi_{(14)(23)} = Pf \left(\frac{(z_i - \xi_1)(z_i - \xi_4)(z_j - \xi_2)(z_j - \xi_3) + i \Leftrightarrow j}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (z_i - z_j)^2$$

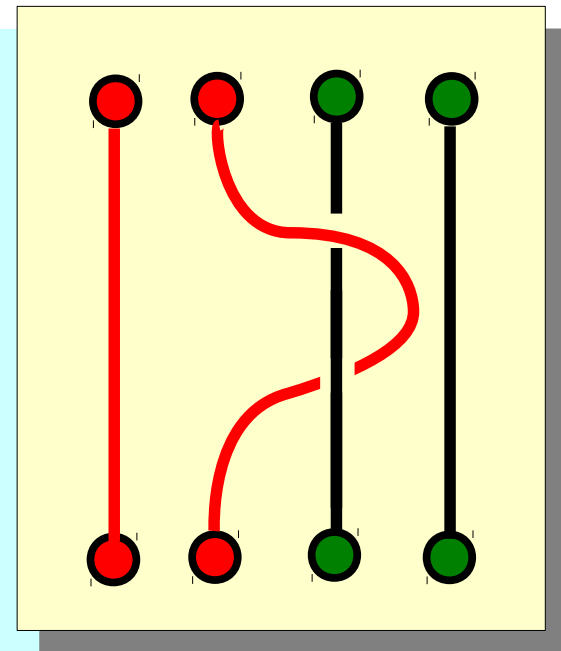
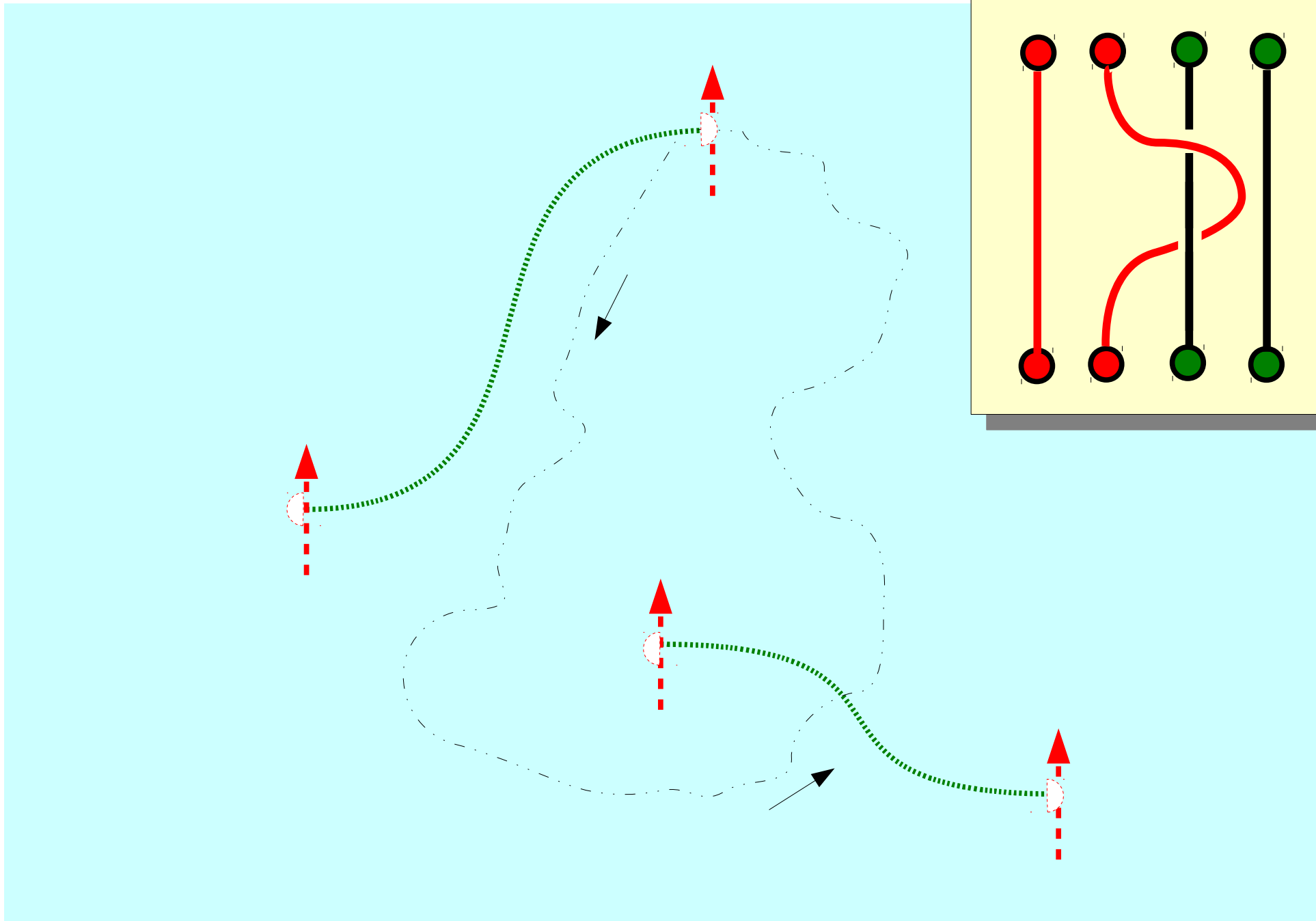
- But they are not linearly independent!**

$$\Psi_{(12)(34)} - \Psi_{(13)(24)} = (1 - x) (\Psi_{(12)(34)} - \Psi_{(14)(23)}) \quad x = \frac{(\xi_1 - \xi_2)(\xi_3 - \xi_4)}{(\xi_1 - \xi_3)(\xi_2 - \xi_4)}$$

$$\sigma \times \sigma = 1 + \psi$$

$|0\rangle$



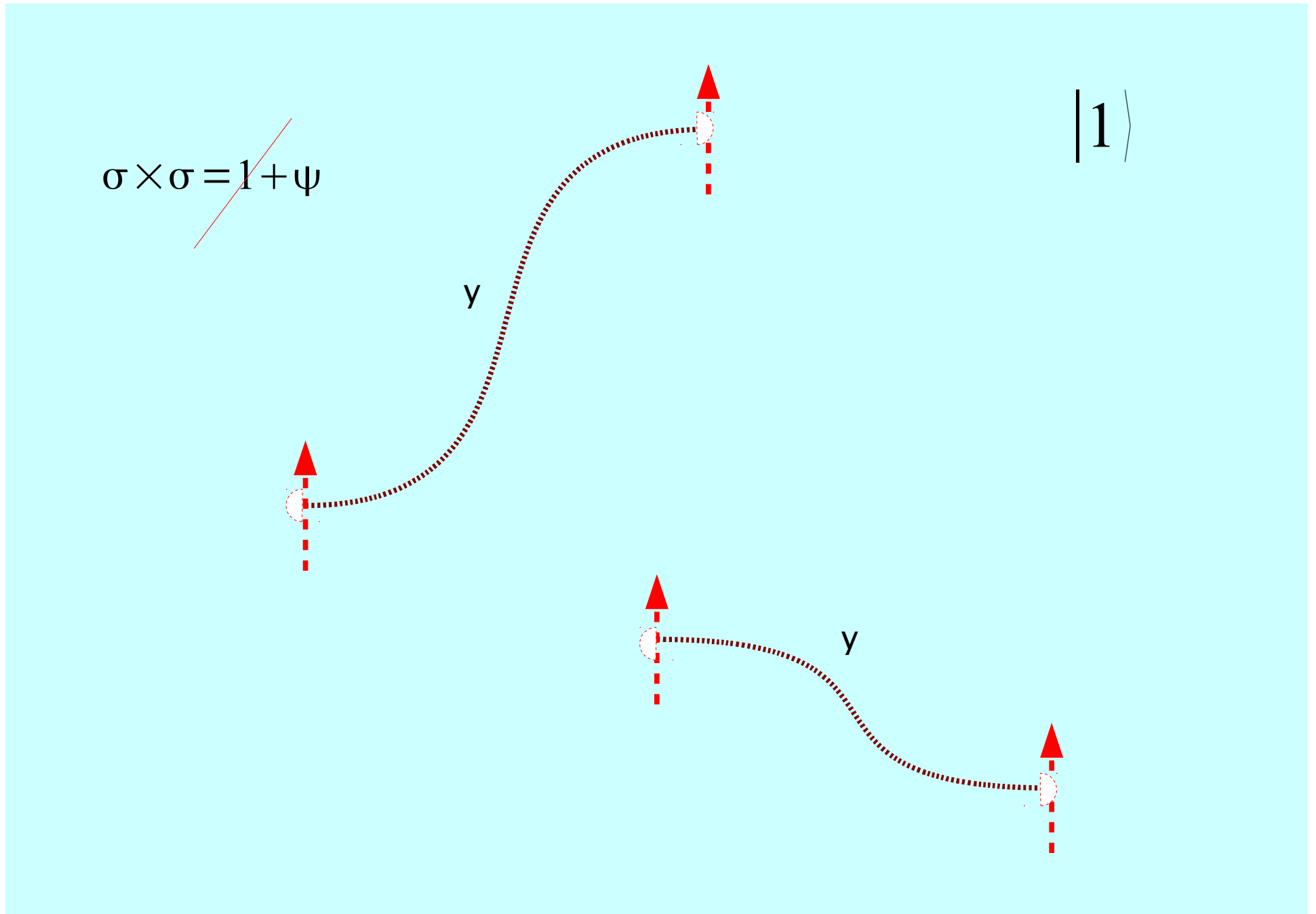


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$|1\rangle$

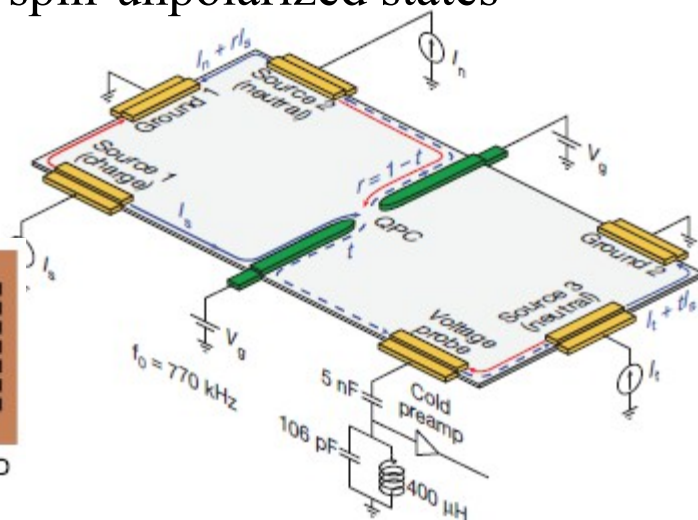
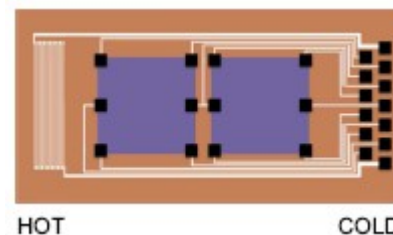
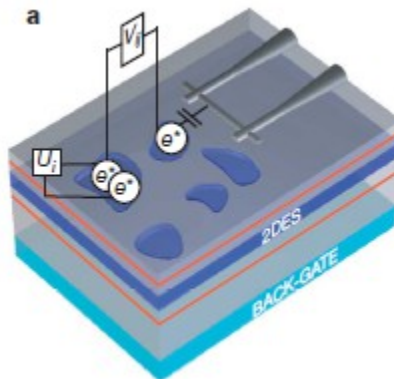
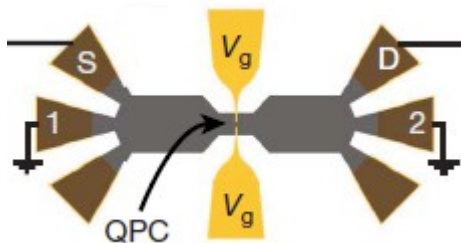
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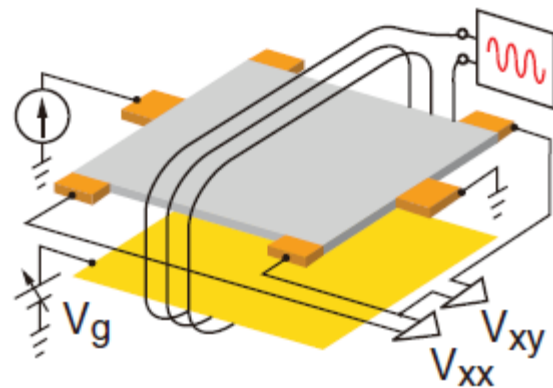


Experimental Progress

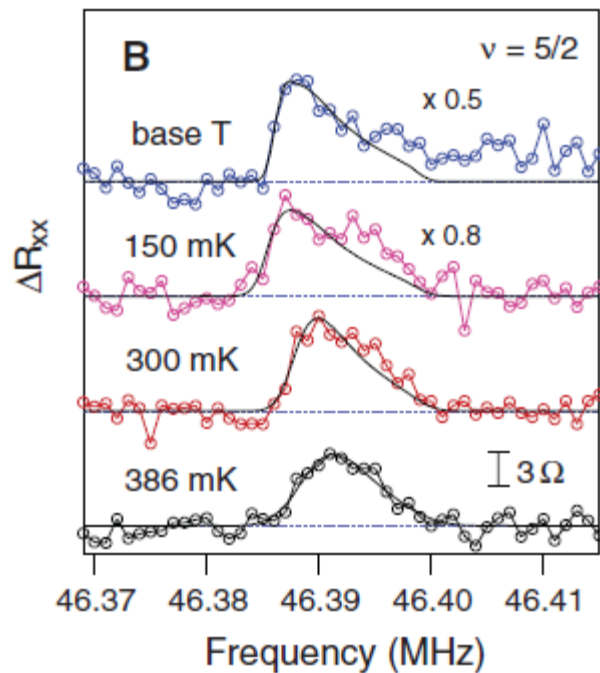
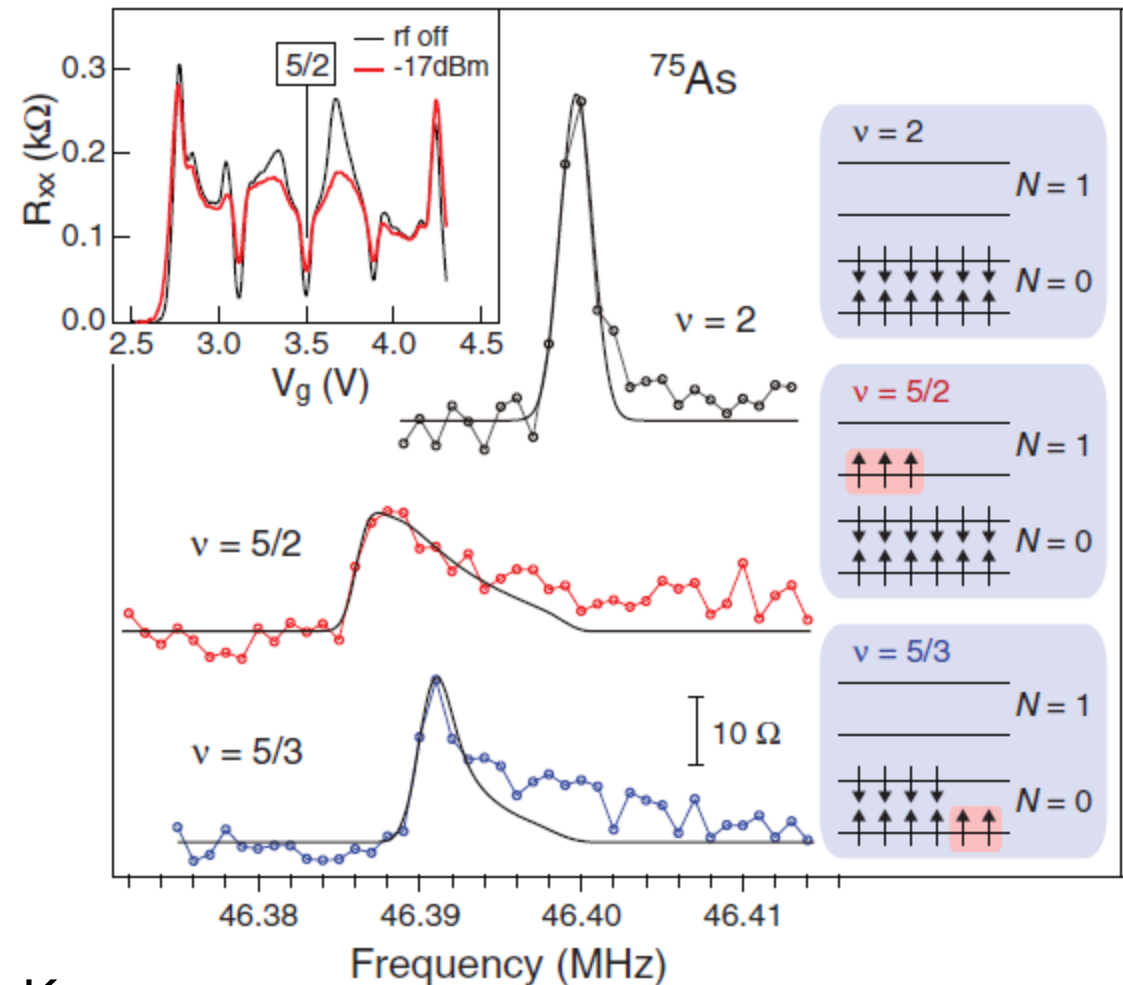
- $e/4$ charge probing (indirect)
 - Noise in current across quantum point contact (Heiblum group, 2008)
 - Tunneling conductance across a QPC (MIT-Harvard group, 2008; Lin 2015)
 - Local charge via coupling with single electron transistor (Yacoby group, 2011)
- Quasiparticle statistics (direct)
 - Interference (Willett, 2009, 2010, 2013; Kang group, 2011)
 - Ground state degeneracy via thermopower (Eisenstein group, 2012)
- Other consistent results
 - Spin polarization (Muraki group, 2012), ruled out spin-unpolarized states
 - Neutral current noise (Heiblum group, 2010)



Spin Polarization: Tiemann et al., Science (2012)



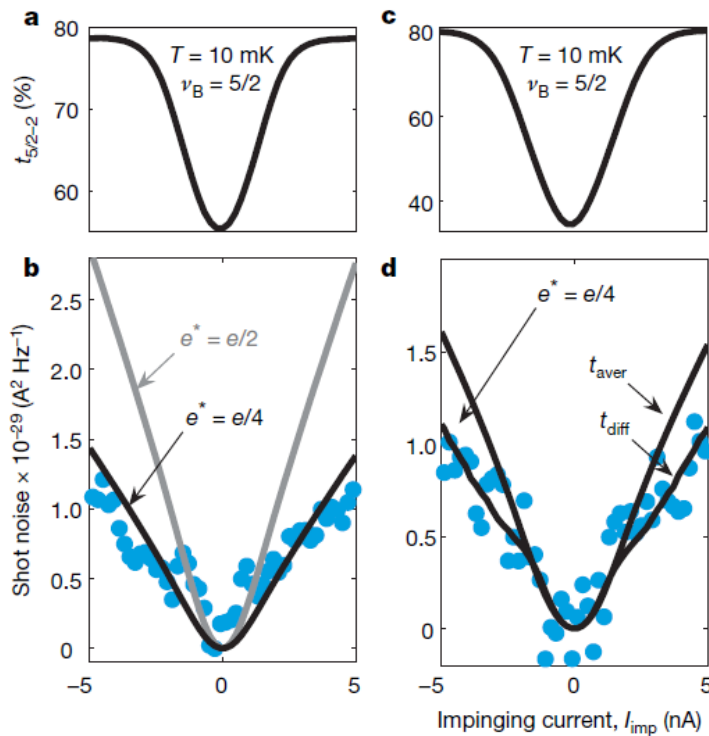
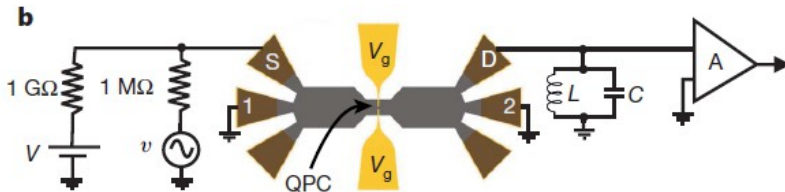
Resistively detected NMR (RD-NMR)



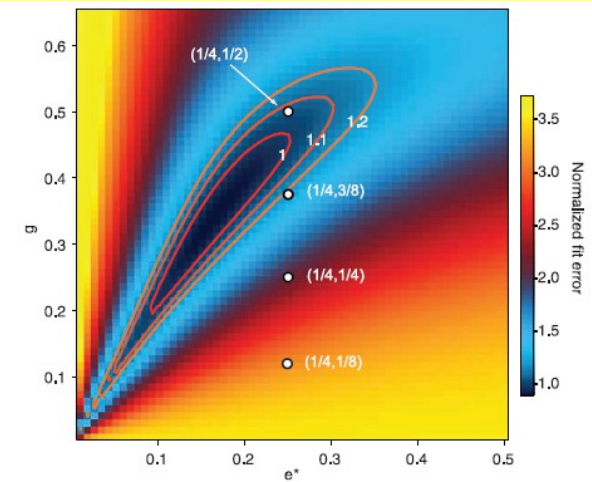
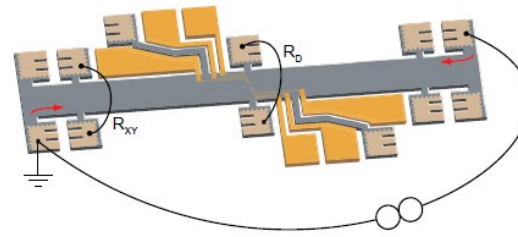
5/2 plateau vanishes ~ 150 mK
maximum polarization up to 200 mK

Anyons Anywhere?

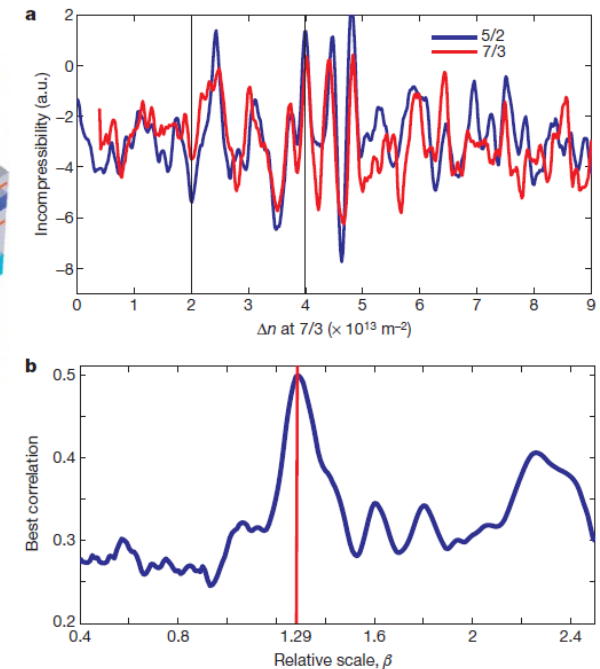
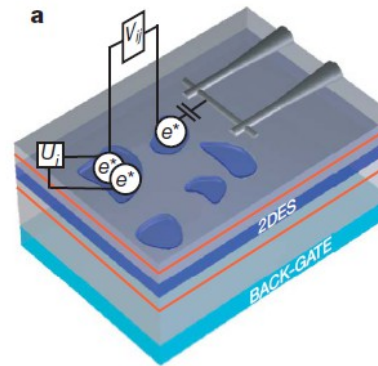
Dolev et al., Nature 452, 829 (2008)



Radu et al., Science 320, 899 (2008)



Venkatachalam et al., Nature 469, 285 (2011)



Noise, tunneling conductance, and local incompressibility support the existence of $e/4$ anyons. But what about their statistics?

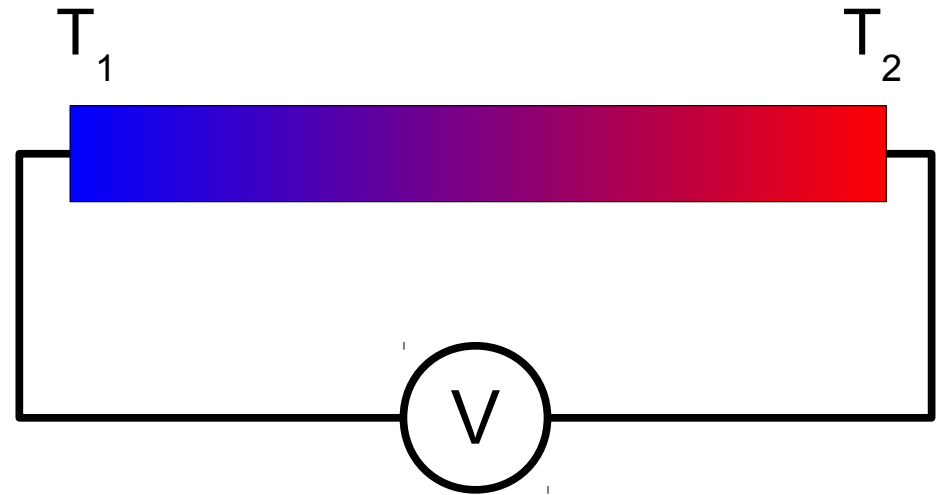
How to Measure Ground State Degeneracy?

- Seebeck effect

$$Q = \frac{E_{emf}}{\nabla T} = -\frac{\nabla V}{\nabla T}$$

- Number of quasiparticles

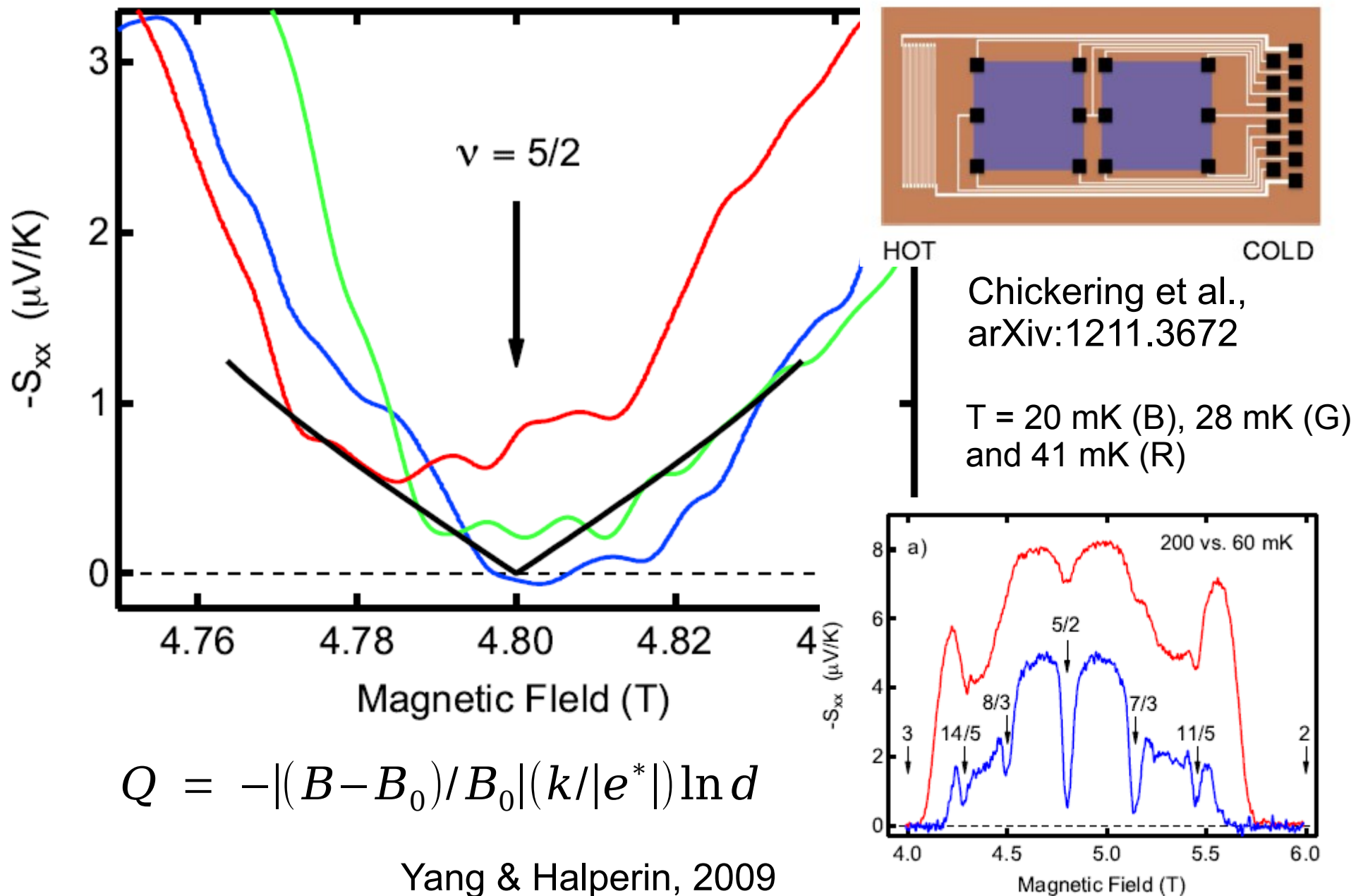
$$n = N_e \left| \frac{e}{e^*} \frac{(B - B_0)}{B_0} \right|$$



- Ground state degeneracy $d^n \rightarrow S = k n \ln d$
- Thermopower measures “entropy per charge carrier”

$$Q = -\frac{S}{N_e e} = -\left| \frac{(B - B_0)}{B_0} \right| \frac{k}{|e^*|} \ln d$$

Thermopower (Caltech group)



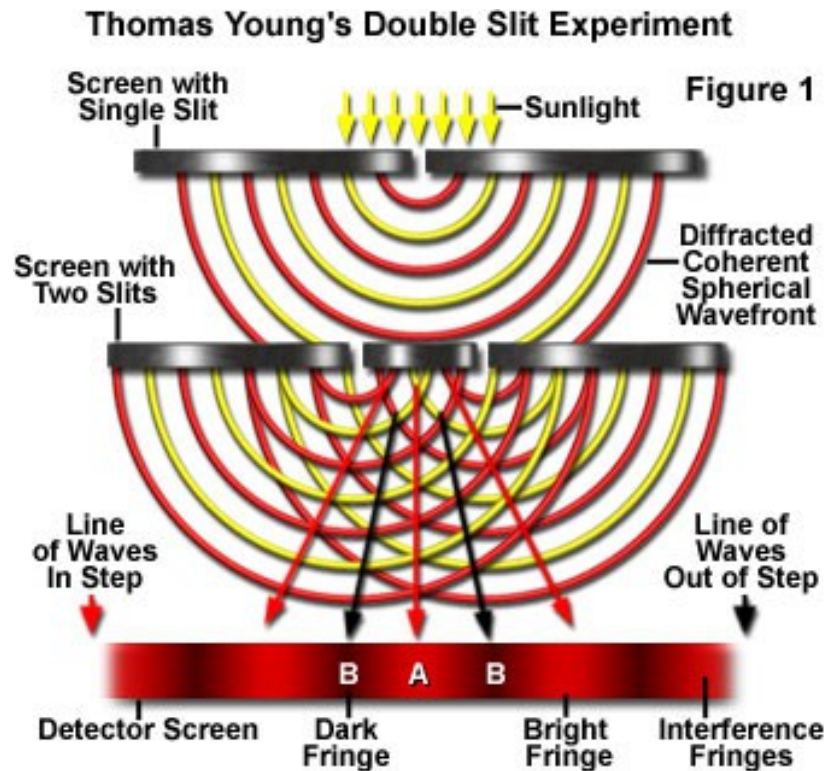
#2: More Messages

- Fractional quantum Hall effect at filling fraction $5/2$ (and $7/2$) is distinct from odd-denominator states. It can be thought of as the reincarnation of a $p+ip$ superfluid in quantum Hall regime.
- The $5/2$ state support both Abelian charge $e/2$ quasiparticles and non-Abelian charge $e/4$ quasiparticles.
- The charge of the elementary quasiparticles has been proved by shot noise and local charge measurements to be $e/4$.
- There are tangible evidences in tunneling conductance and thermal power experiments that the $5/2$ state may be of non-Abelian nature.

Next: quantum Hall interferometer

Young and Double Slit Interference

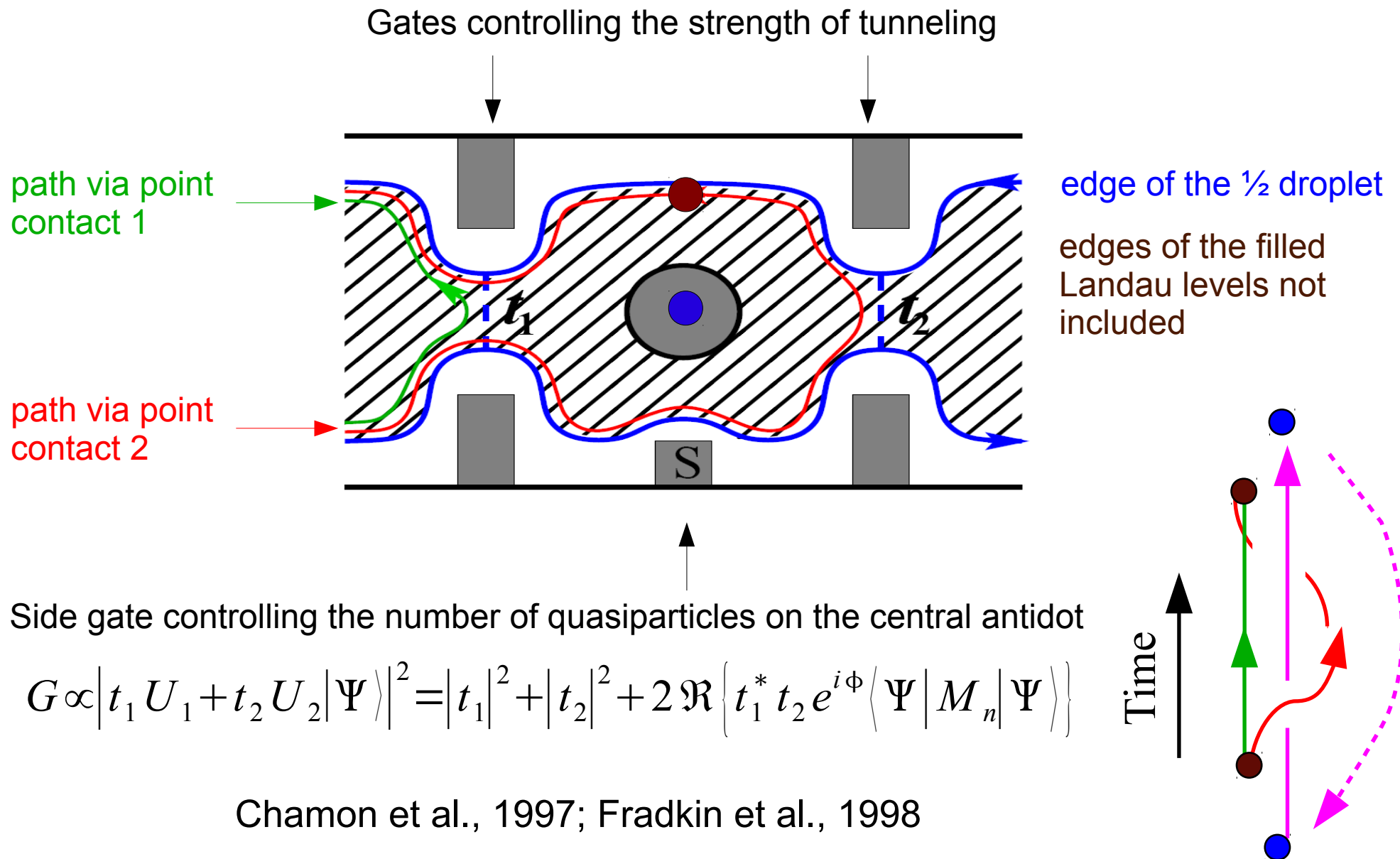
- Double-slit experiment (1801)



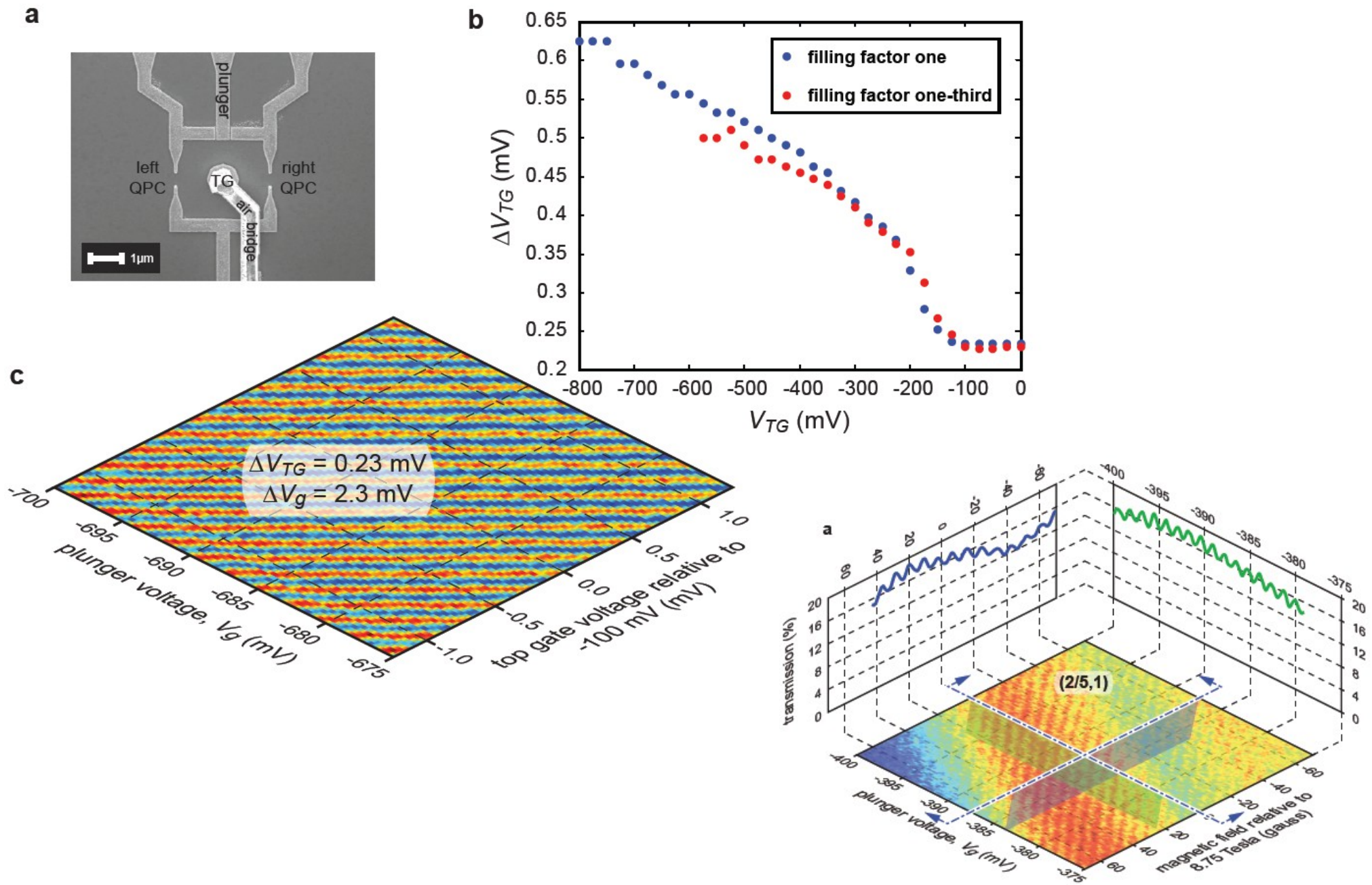
Thomas Young (1773-1829)

Double-slit interference demonstrates the wave nature of light and, later, other quantum particles.

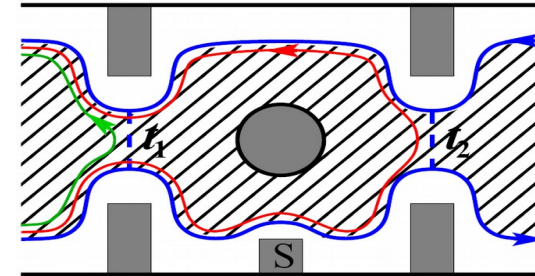
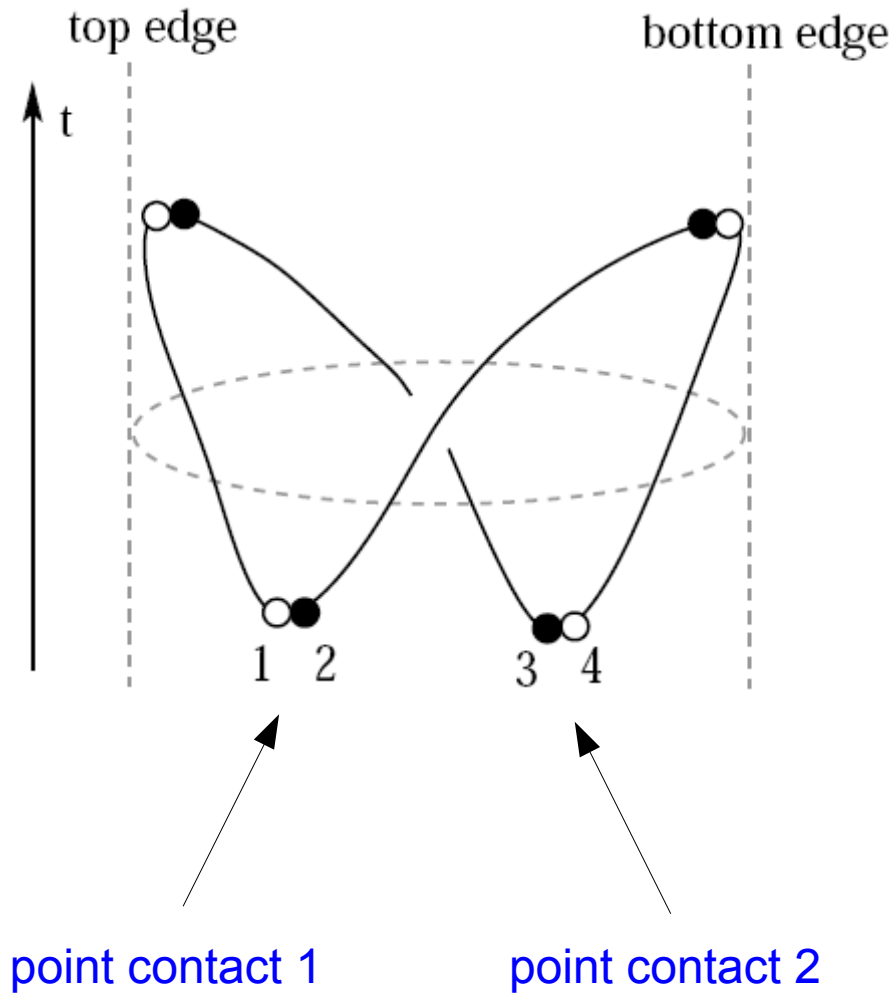
Detecting Quasiparticle Statistics by Interference



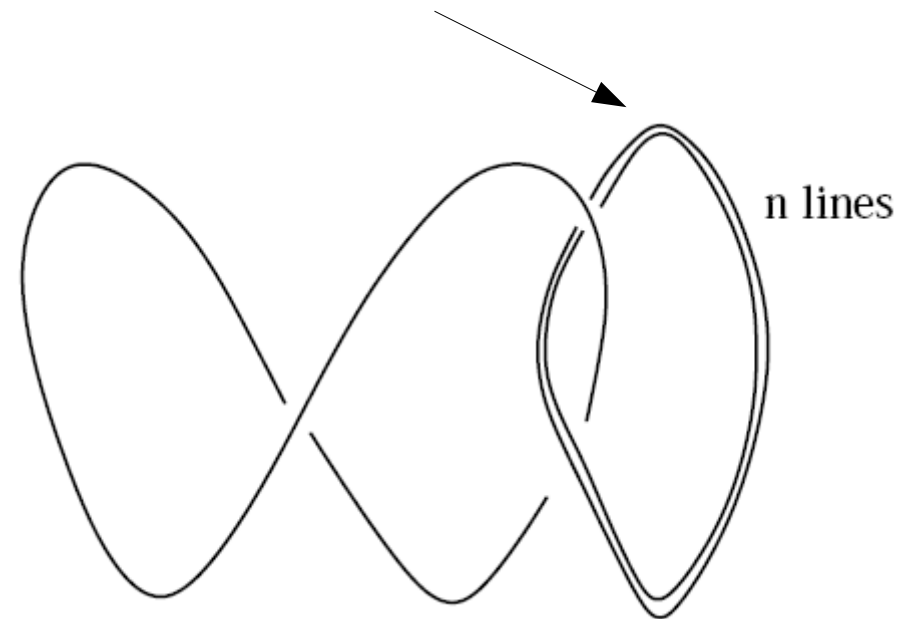
Heiblum Group, PNAS (2010)



Relevant Process and Diagram



central antidot (n non-Abelian qps)



evaluate corresponding Jones polynomials

Evaluation of the Jones Polynomial

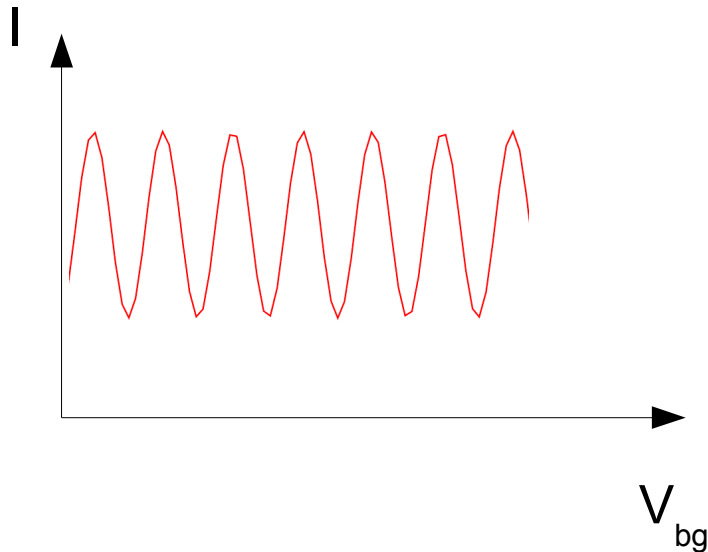
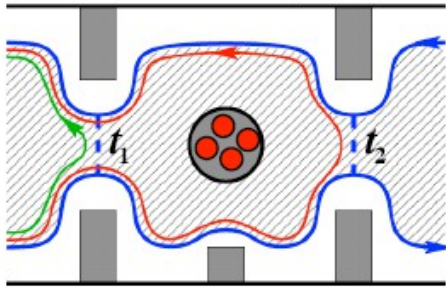
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Diagram 1} &= q \text{ Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} \\
 &+ \text{Diagram 4} + q^{-1} \text{ Diagram 5} \\
 &= (q + q^{-1}) d^2 + 2d = 0 !!
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Diagram 6} = q^{1/2} \text{Diagram 7} + q^{-1/2} \text{Diagram 8} \qquad \text{Diagram 9} = d = -q - q^{-1} = \sqrt{2}$$

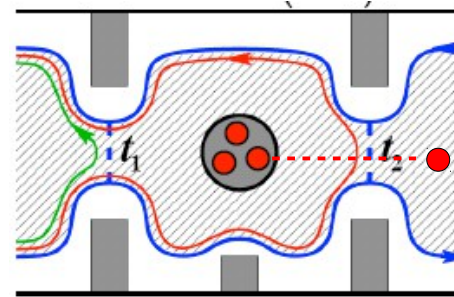
$$q = -e^{i\pi/4}$$

Expected Experimental Signature

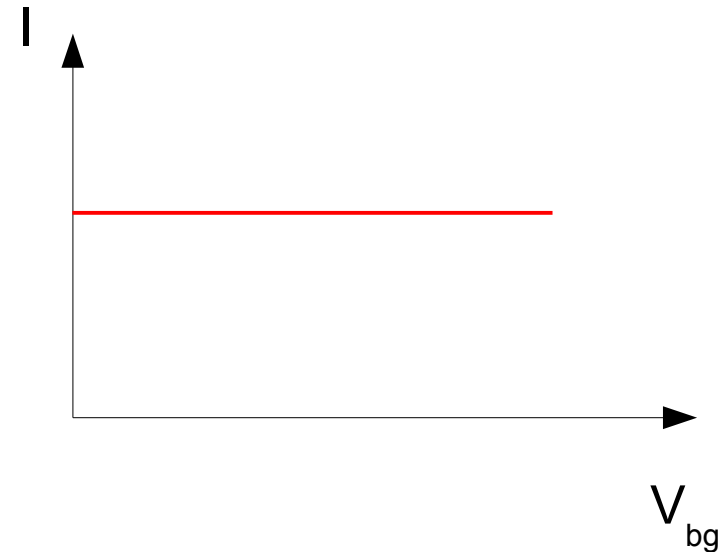
Odd-even effect: Stern & Halperin (06); Bonderson, Kitaev & Shtengel (06)



Even number of non-Abelian quasiparticles inside the interference loop



which-way
experiment



Odd number of non-Abelian quasiparticles inside the interference loop

Measurement of filling factor $5/2$ quasiparticle interference with observation of charge $e/4$ and $e/2$ period oscillations

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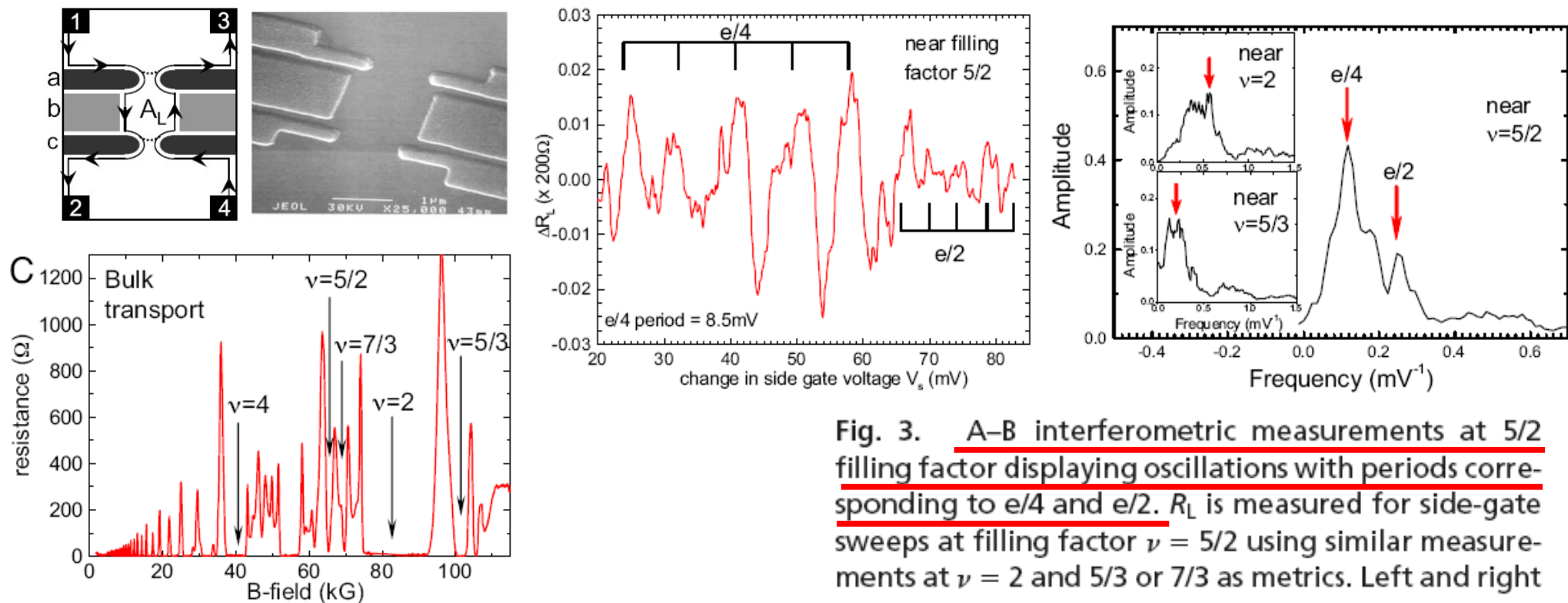


Fig. 3. A-B interferometric measurements at $5/2$ filling factor displaying oscillations with periods corresponding to $e/4$ and $e/2$. R_L is measured for side-gate sweeps at filling factor $\nu = 5/2$ using similar measurements at $\nu = 2$ and $5/3$ or $7/3$ as metrics. Left and right

Charge- $e/2$ Quasiparticles?

$$\Psi_{qh}^{e/4} = \sigma e^{i\phi/2\sqrt{2}}$$

Most relevant.
Charge & neutral components.

$$\Psi_{qh}^{e/2} = e^{i\phi/\sqrt{2}}, \cancel{\psi e^{i\phi/\sqrt{2}}}$$

Irrelevant to inter-
edge tunneling in
RG sense

$$\sigma \times \sigma = 1 + \psi \quad (\text{Ising/Majorana})$$

Less relevant but
relevant
Charge component only!

$$I_{12} \propto \sum_q s_q |\Gamma_1| |\Gamma_2| e^{-|x_1 - x_2|/L_\phi} \cos \left(2\pi \frac{q}{e} \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_0} + \phi_q + \arg(\Gamma_1 \Gamma_2^*) \right)$$

↑
tunneling
amplitude

favors $e/4$ qps

↑
coherence length due to
thermal smearing

$$L_\phi = \frac{1}{2\pi k_B T} \left(\frac{g_c}{\nu_c} + \cancel{\frac{g_n}{\nu_n}} \right)^{-1} \quad \text{favors } e/2 \text{ qps}$$

Coherence Length of e/4 Quasiparticles

XW, Hu, Rezayi & Yang, PRB (2008)

Willett et al., arXiv:1301.2594

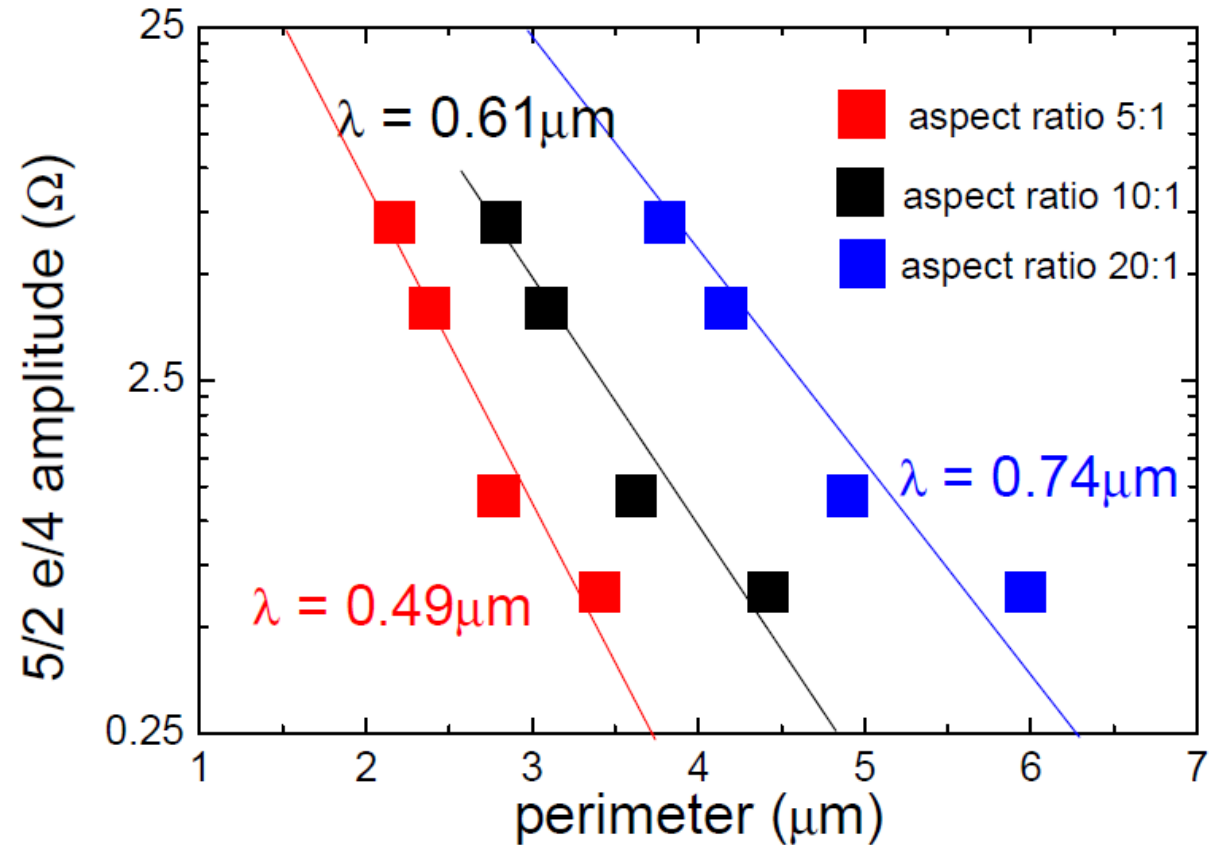
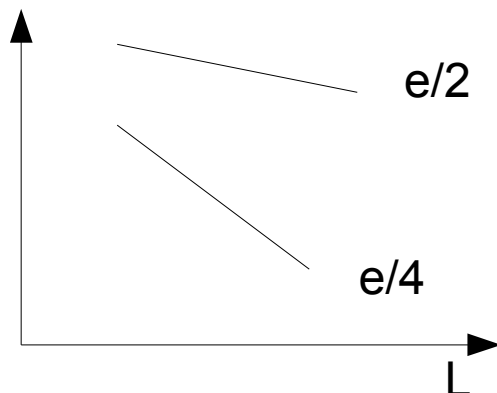
$$L_{\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi k_B T} \left(\frac{g_c}{v_c} + \frac{g_n}{v_n} \right)^{-1}$$

Theory predicted at 25 mK:

(e/4): $L_{\phi} \sim 1.5$ mm

(e/2): $L_{\phi} \sim 5$ mm

$\ln(\exp\{-L/L_{\phi}\})$

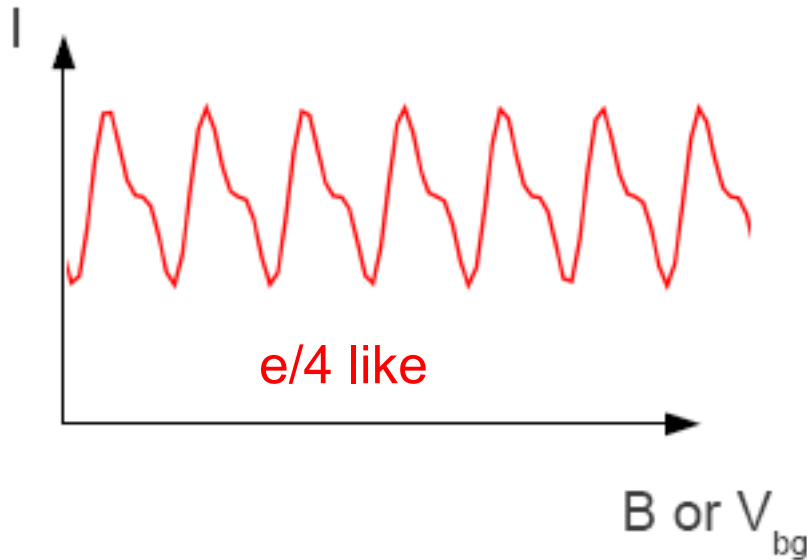
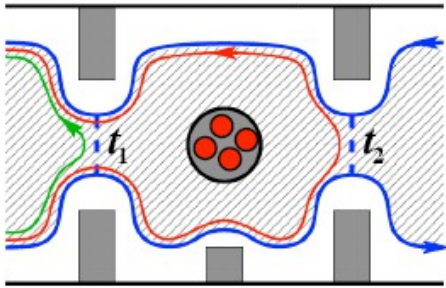


e/2: longer, because of the absence of the slow neutral mode. More visible at higher temperatures.

Signature for Non-Abelian Statistics

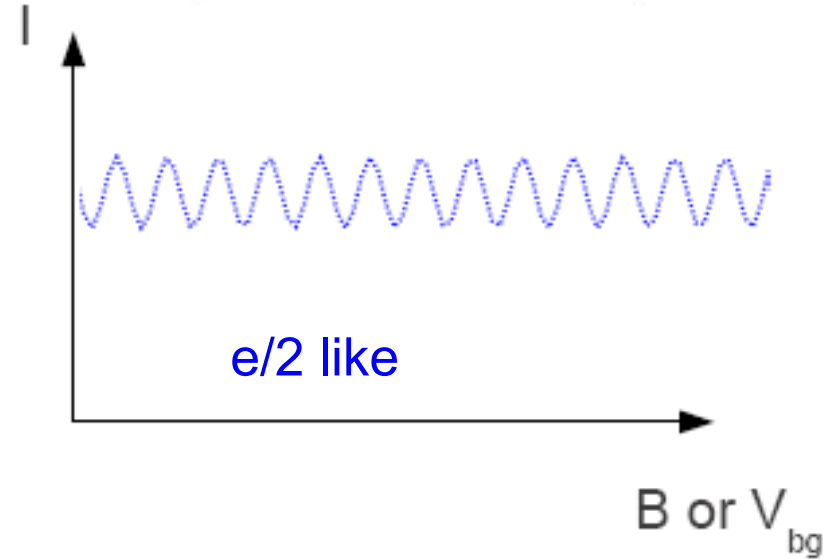
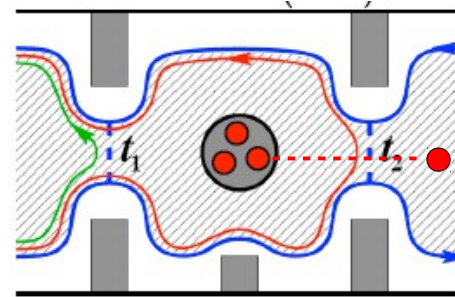
Background Abelian signal:

XW, Hu, Rezayi & Yang, PRB (2008)



Even number of non-Abelian quasiparticles inside the interference loop

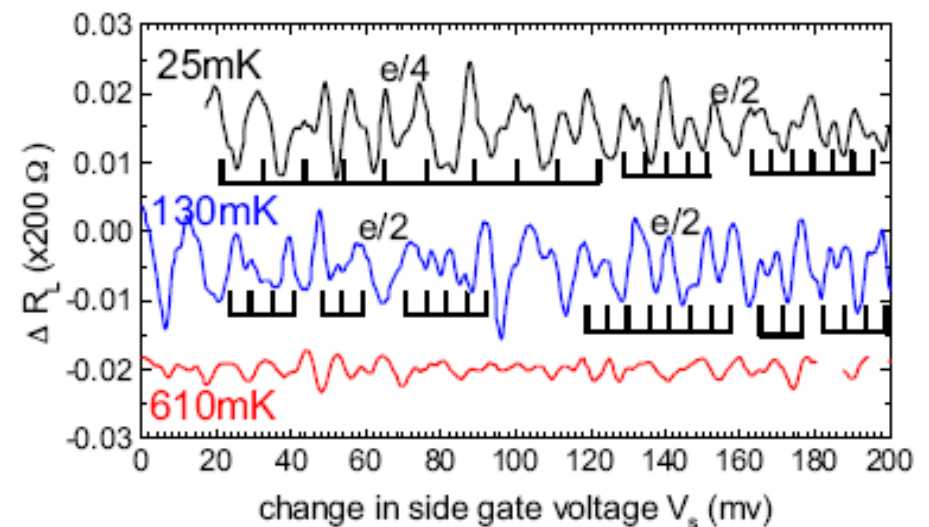
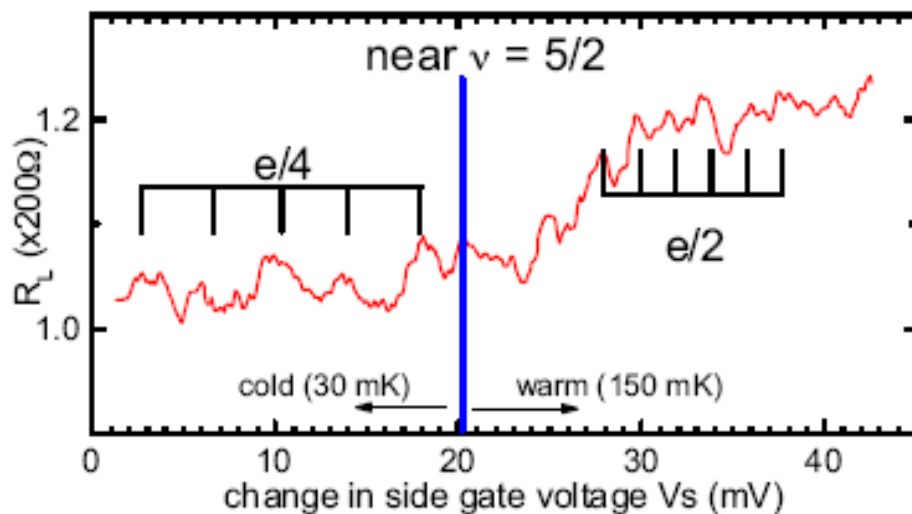
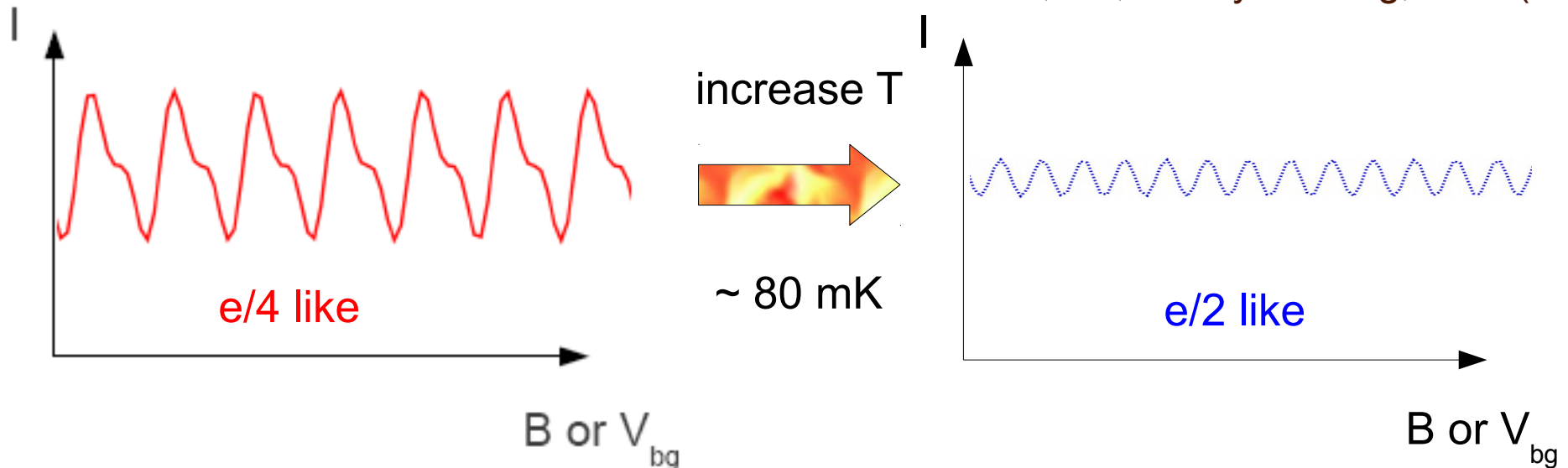
Coherence length $\sim 1 \mu\text{m}$



Odd number of non-Abelian quasiparticles inside the interference loop

$e/4$ Pattern Suppressed at Higher T

XW, Hu, Rezayi & Yang, PRB (2008)

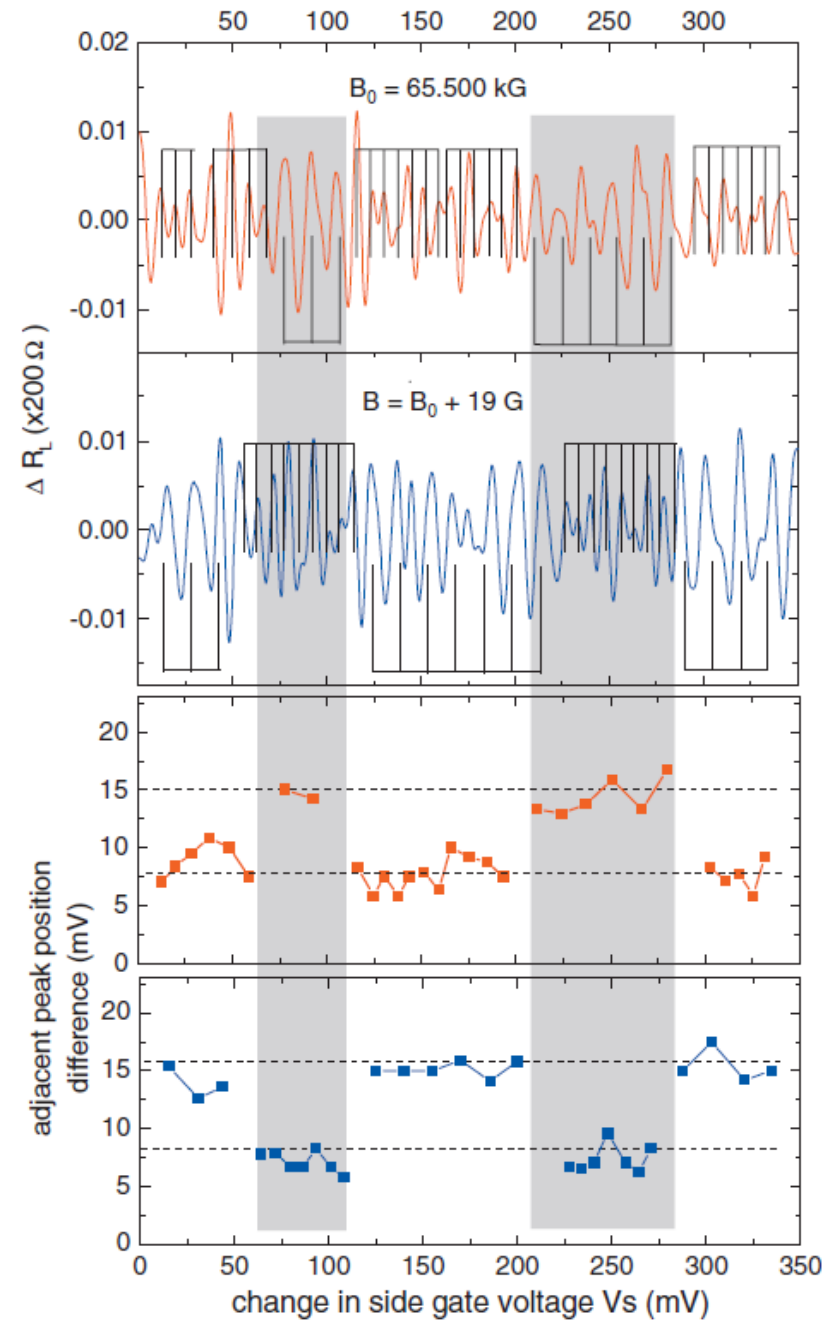
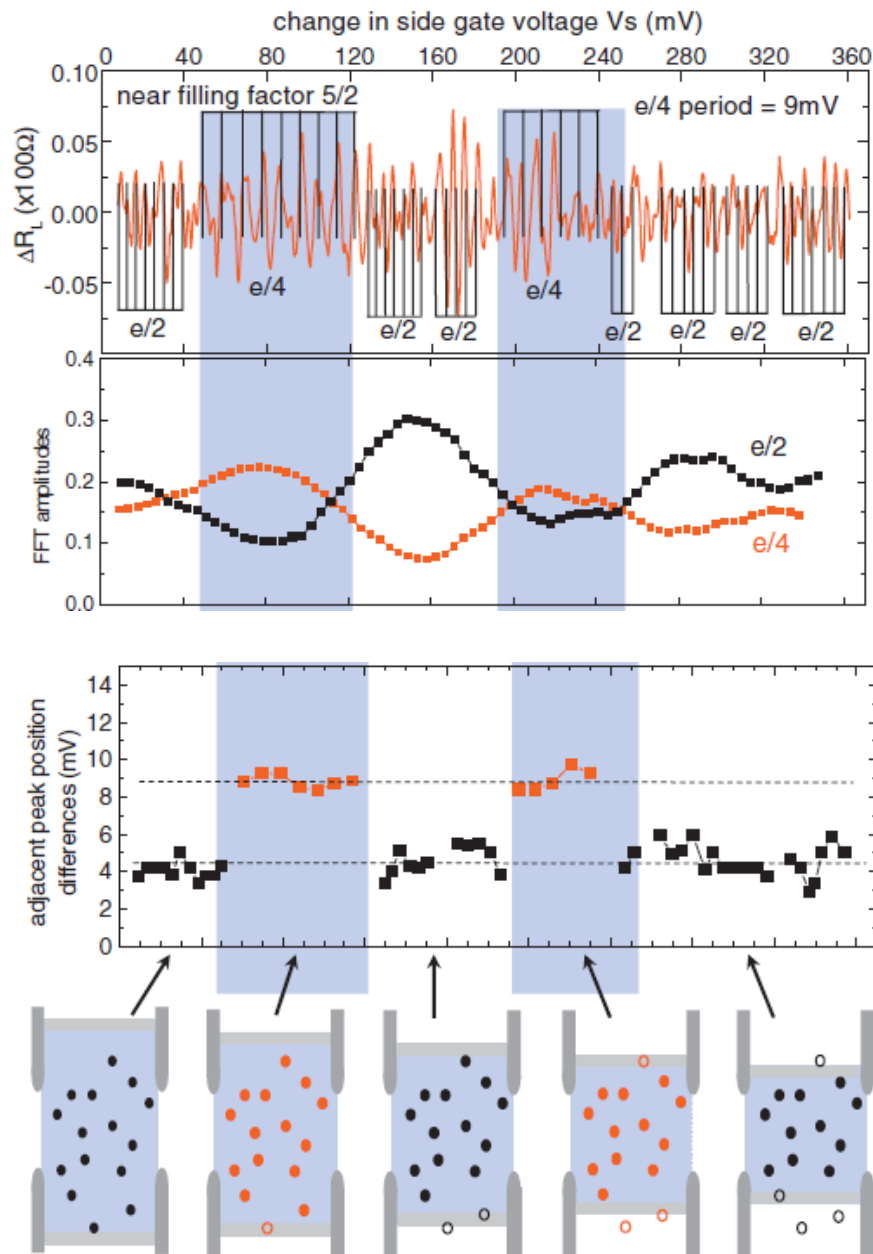


period lines in the swept side-gate data. (C) Data indicate temperature dependence of $e/4$ and $e/2$ oscillations: $e/2$ oscillations may be made more prevalent with an increase in temperature. The temperature of the sample was taken from

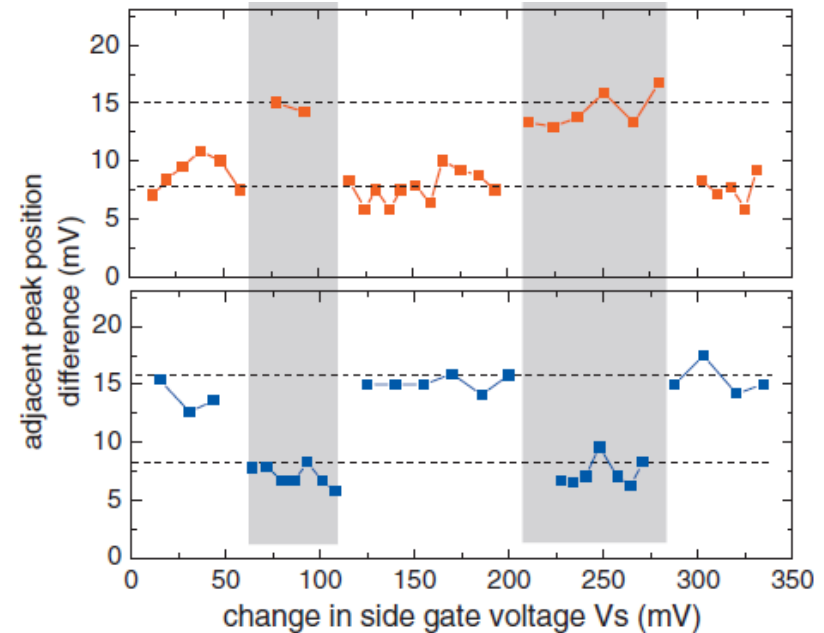
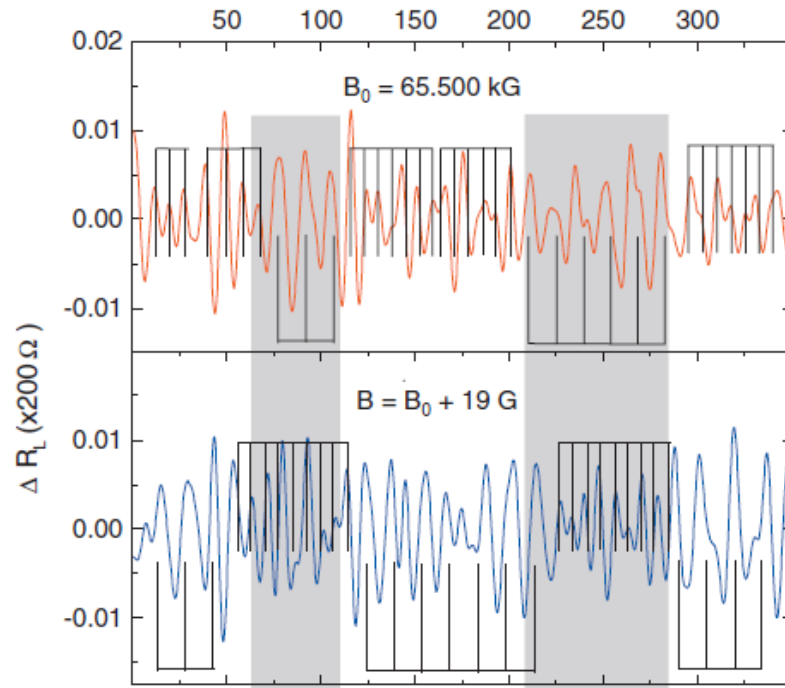
Willett et al.,
PNAS (2009)

Alternative $e/4$ and $e/2$ Patterns

Willett et al., PRB (2010)



B-field Induced $e/4$ and $e/2$ Oscillation Swap



65 kG (upper panel) \rightarrow 65 kG + 19 G (lower panel)

A suitable adjustment of the applied magnetic field is expected to **change the parity** in the encircled localized quasiparticle number, thus **change the pattern** of aperiodic $e/4$ and $e/2$ observed over **the same side-gate sweep**.

Willett et al., PRB (2010)

#3: Yet More Messages

- Willett's interference data agrees with the existence of both charge $e/4$ and $e/2$ quasiparticles.
- Experimental data does not violate the theoretical expectation that the ground state wave function of the $5/2$ state is the Moore-Read state (or its particle-hole conjugate).
- Non-Abelian $e/4$ quasiparticles have short decoherence length, which limits the device size to 1 micron or so with today's technology.
- The interferometer experiment demonstrated that we have the technology to create anyons and to manipulate them to achieve braiding.
- Reproduction of data and significant improvements in experiments are desired.

Next: What to do with anyons?

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F & R satisfy self-consistency equations, known as the pentagon and hexagon equations.

Ising anyon model:

$$\{1, \sigma, \psi\}$$

$$\sigma \times \sigma = 1 + \psi$$


$$\psi \times \psi = 1$$



$$\psi \times \sigma = \sigma \times \psi = \sigma$$

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

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\pi/8} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{3i\pi/8} \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagrams

- Anyon a : 

- Antiparticle \bar{a} :  = 

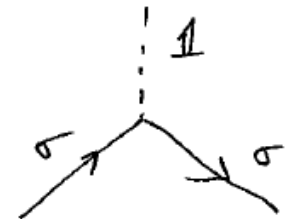
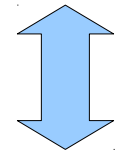
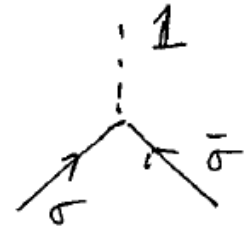
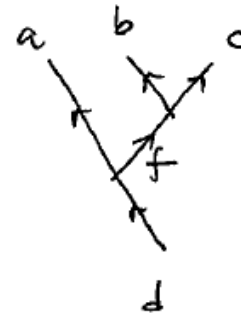
- Fusion $a \times b = c (+ \dots)$

$$\left(\frac{d_c}{d_a d_b} \right)^{1/4} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow c \\ \swarrow a \quad \searrow b \end{array} = \langle ab; c |$$

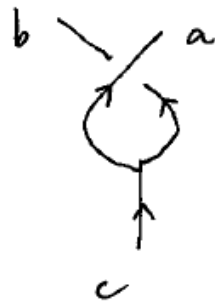
- Associativity



$$= \sum_f \left[F_{\quad d}^{abc} \right]_{ef}$$



- Braiding

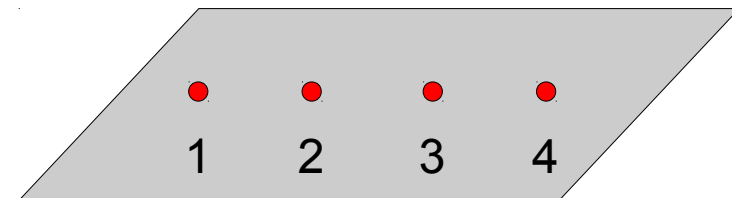


$$= R_{\quad c}^{ab} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow b \quad \uparrow a \\ \downarrow c \end{array}$$

↑
phase

Four Ising Anyons as a Qubit

- Even when one fixes the location of all **quasiholes**, there are more than one states



$$\Psi_{(12)(34)} = Pf \left(\frac{(z_i - \xi_1)(z_i - \xi_2)(z_j - \xi_3)(z_j - \xi_4) + i \Leftrightarrow j}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (z_i - z_j)^2$$

$$\Psi_{(13)(24)} = Pf \left(\frac{(z_i - \xi_1)(z_i - \xi_3)(z_j - \xi_2)(z_j - \xi_4) + i \Leftrightarrow j}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (z_i - z_j)^2$$

$$\Psi_{(14)(23)} = Pf \left(\frac{(z_i - \xi_1)(z_i - \xi_4)(z_j - \xi_2)(z_j - \xi_3) + i \Leftrightarrow j}{z_i - z_j} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (z_i - z_j)^2$$

- But they are not linearly independent!**

$$\Psi_{(12)(34)} - \Psi_{(13)(24)} = (1 - x) (\Psi_{(12)(34)} - \Psi_{(14)(23)}) \quad x = \frac{(\xi_1 - \xi_2)(\xi_3 - \xi_4)}{(\xi_1 - \xi_3)(\xi_2 - \xi_4)}$$


Four Ising Anyons as a Qubit

- Ansatz wavefunction (decomposition into two quasihole-pairing wavefunctions)

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^{(0,1)}(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4; z_1, \dots, z_N) &= A^{(0,1)}(\{\xi\}) \Psi_{(12)(34)}(\{\xi\}, \{z\}) \\ &+ B^{(0,1)}(\{\xi\}) \Psi_{(13)(24)}(\{\xi\}, \{z\}) \end{aligned}$$

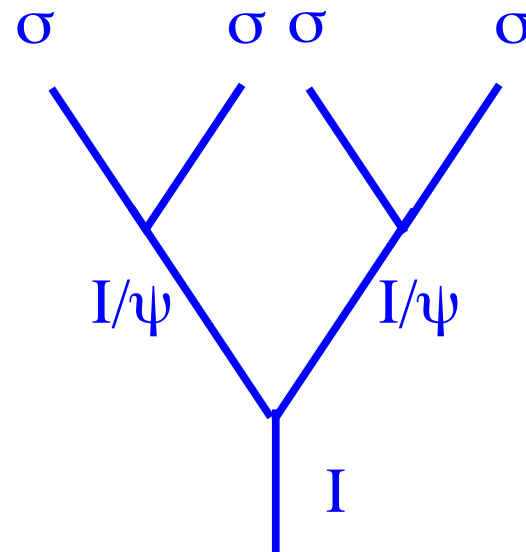
C. Nayak and F. Wilczek, Nucl. Phys. B 479 (1996) 529

E. Ardonne and K. Schoutens, Ann. Phys. 322 (2007) 201

$$|0\rangle = |(\cdot\cdot)_0(\cdot\cdot)_0\rangle_0 =$$


$$|1\rangle = |(\cdot\cdot)_1(\cdot\cdot)_1\rangle_0 =$$


Ising: $\cdot = \sigma$, $0 = 1$, $1 = \psi$



Identify the Two Fusion Channels

- The two linearly independent wave function can be written as

$$\Psi^{\pm} = \frac{[(\xi_1 - \xi_3)(\xi_2 - \xi_4)]^{1/4}}{(1 \pm \sqrt{1-x})^{1/2}} \left(\Psi_{(13)(24)} \pm \sqrt{1-x} \Psi_{(14)(23)} \right)$$

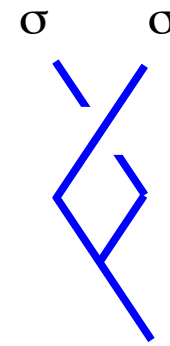
$$\Psi = a^+ \Psi^+ + a^- \Psi^-$$

- Exchanging ξ_1 and ξ_2 , we have

$$1-x \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-x}$$

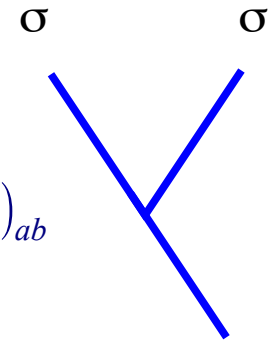
$$\begin{aligned} (\xi_1 - \xi_3)(\xi_2 - \xi_4) &\rightarrow (\xi_2 - \xi_3)(\xi_1 - \xi_4) \\ &= (\xi_1 - \xi_3)(\xi_2 - \xi_4)(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{(13)(24)} \pm \sqrt{1-x} \Phi_{(14)(23)} &\rightarrow \Phi_{(23)(14)} \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{1-x}} \Phi_{(24)(13)} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{1-x}} \left[\pm \Phi_{(13)(24)} + \sqrt{1-x} \Phi_{(14)(23)} \right] \end{aligned}$$



$$= \sum_b (R_{\sigma\sigma})_{ab}$$

$$a = 1/\psi$$



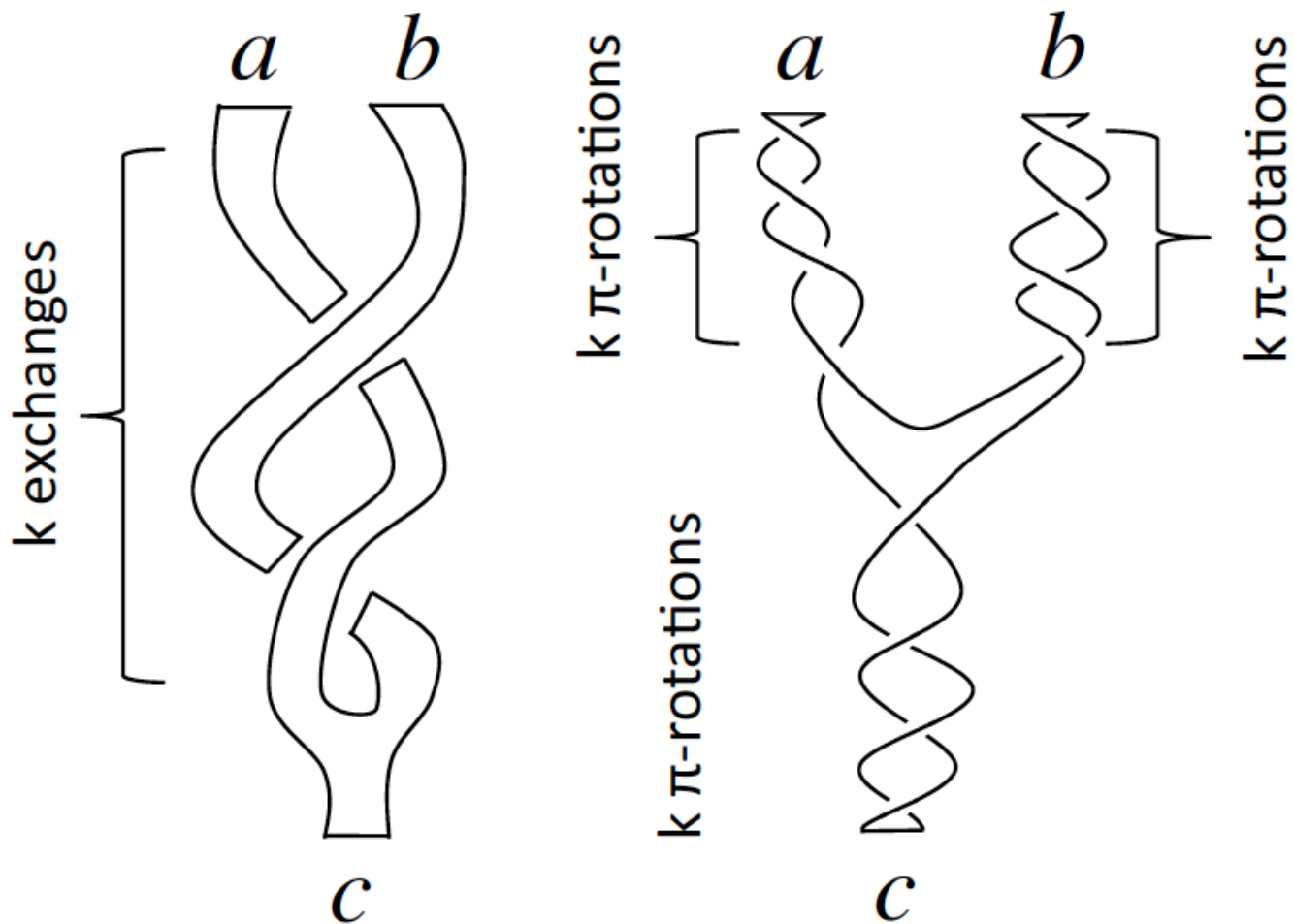
$$b = 1/\psi$$

$$1-x = \frac{(\xi_1 - \xi_4)(\xi_2 - \xi_3)}{(\xi_1 - \xi_3)(\xi_2 - \xi_4)}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Psi^+ \\ \Psi^- \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Psi^+ \\ \Psi^- \end{pmatrix}$$

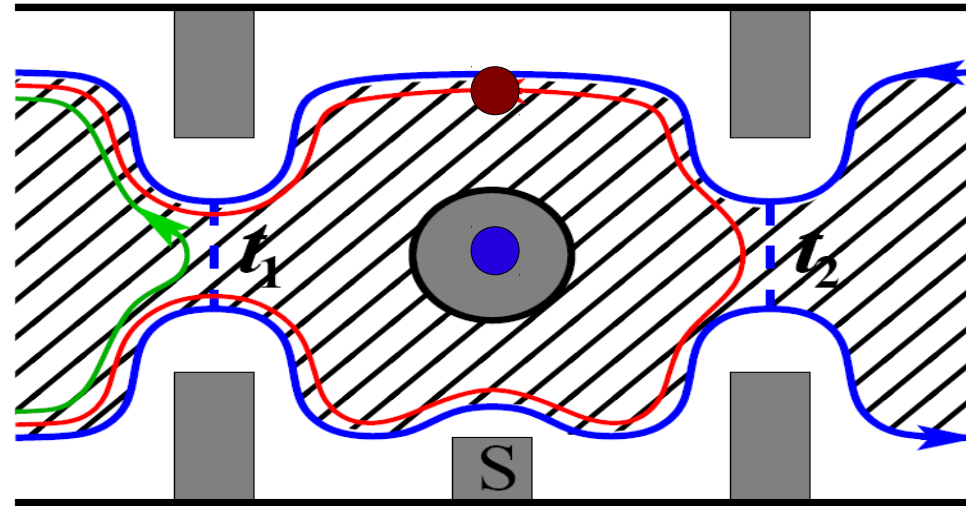
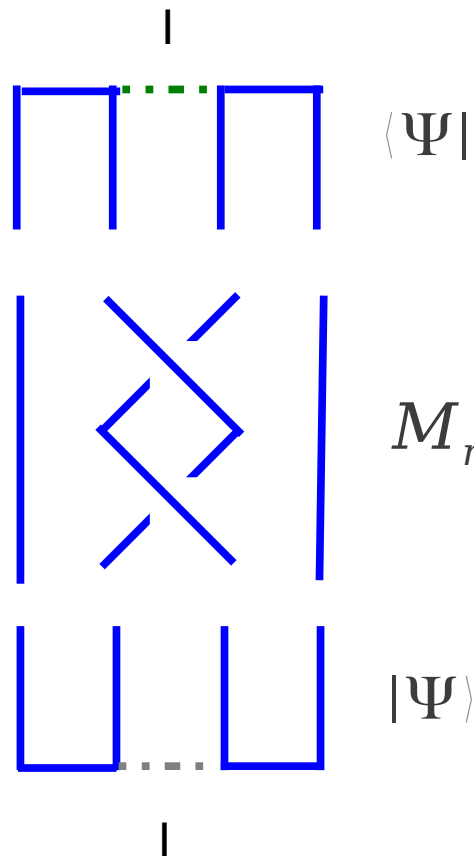
R-matrix (Ising x U(1))

Spin and Statistics



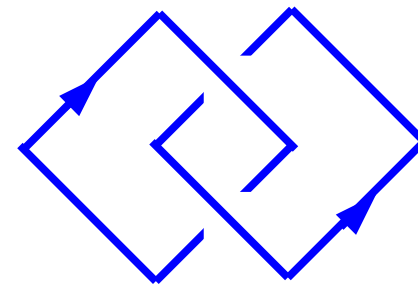
$$(R_{ab}^c)^k = e^{-i\pi k s_a} e^{-i\pi k s_b} e^{i\pi k s_c}$$

A Simple Quantum Computation



$$G \propto |t_1 U_1 + t_2 U_2 |\Psi\rangle|^2 = |t_1|^2 + |t_2|^2 + 2 \Re \left\{ t_1^* t_2 e^{i\phi} \langle \Psi | M_n | \Psi \rangle \right\}$$

$$\langle \Psi | M_n | \Psi \rangle$$



Calculating with F-Matrix

$$\begin{aligned}
 [F_{\sigma}^{\sigma\sigma\sigma}]_{1a} & \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \\
 & = \sum_a [F_{\sigma}^{\sigma\sigma\sigma}]_{1a} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \\
 & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \sigma \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ \sigma \end{array} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \end{array} \right)$$

NOT Gate

$$| \text{X} | \propto | \text{Y} | + | \text{Z} |$$

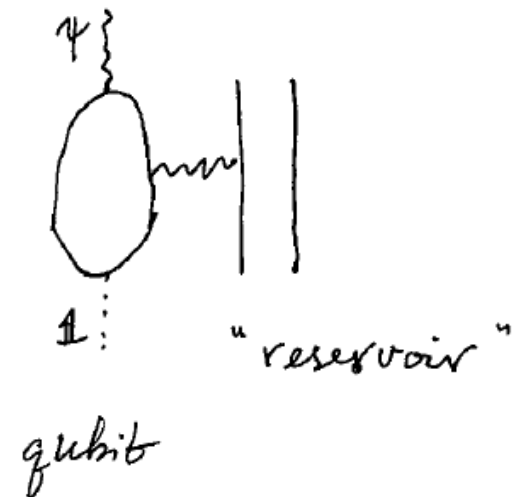
$$= e^{-i\pi/4} | \text{U} | + e^{i3\pi/4} | \text{V} |$$

$$= e^{-i\pi/4} (| \text{U} | - | \text{V} |)$$

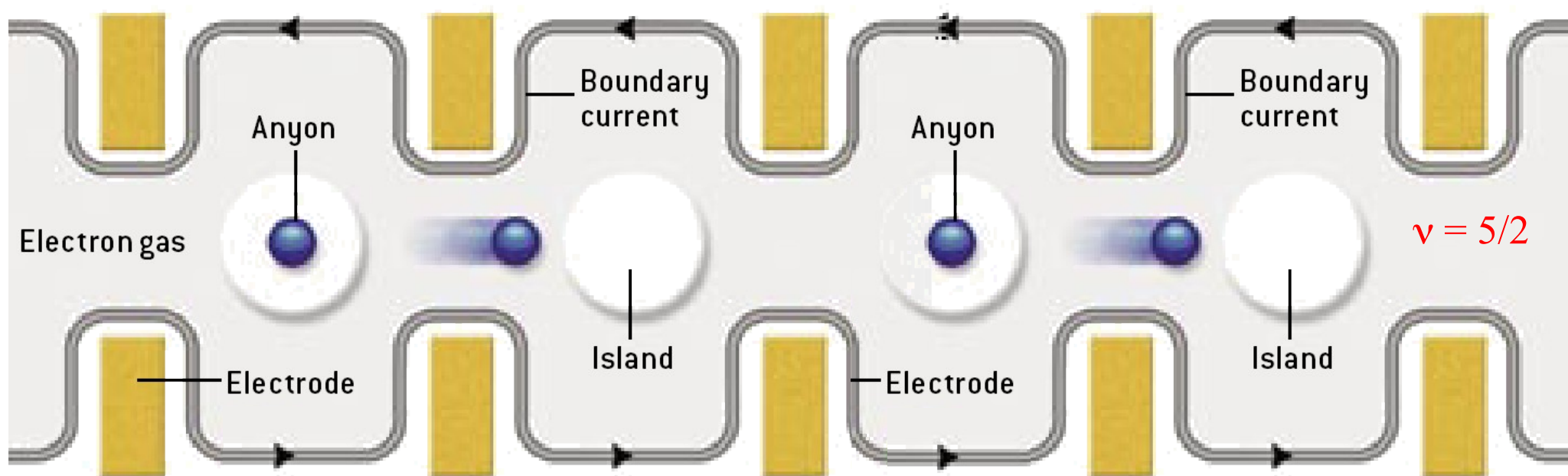
$$= e^{-i\pi/4} | \text{W} |$$

$$R_1^{\sigma\sigma} = e^{-i\pi/8}$$

$$R_{\psi}^{\sigma\sigma} = e^{i3\pi/8}$$



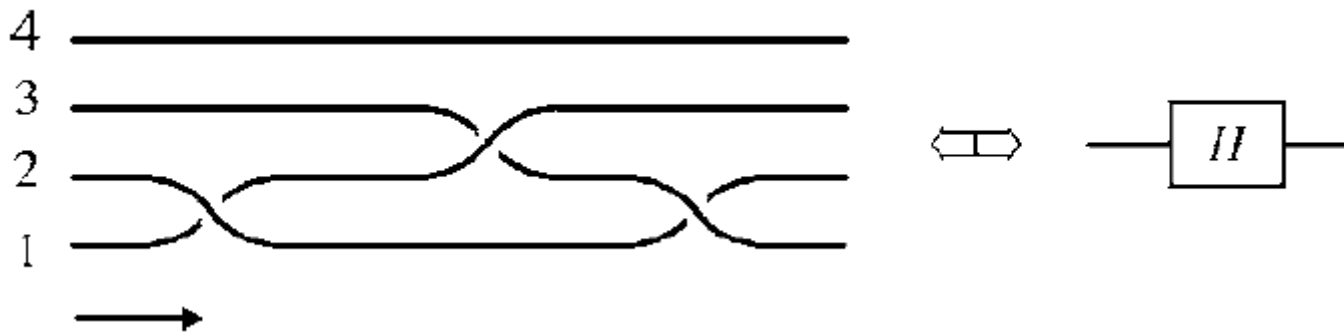
Initialize Anyons



Das Sarma, Freedman & Nayak (2005)

Braiding Example: Hadamard Gate

- Braiding diagram for the Hadamard gate

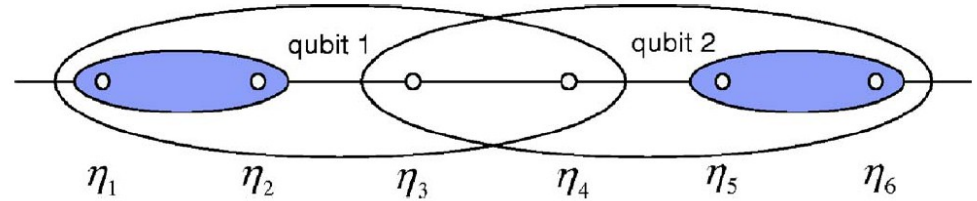


$$H = R_{12}^{-1} R_{23} R_{12}^{-1} \simeq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The Ising model is not universal; it cannot generate all single-qubit gates!

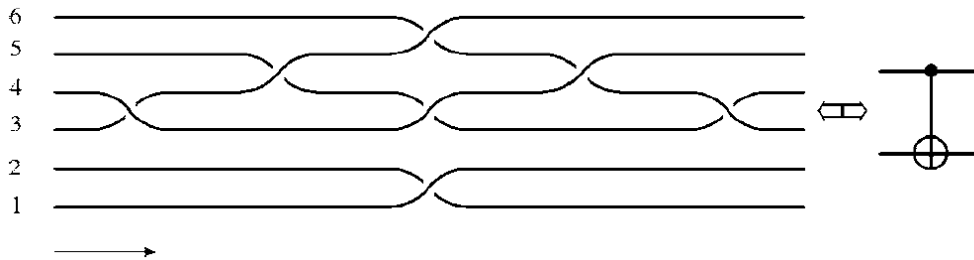
Braiding Example: CNOT Gate

$$R_{12}^{(6)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_{23}^{(6)} = \frac{e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -i \\ -i & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$R_{34}^{(6)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_{45}^{(6)} = \frac{e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ -i & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_{56}^{(6)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

Generates representation
of the braid group B_6



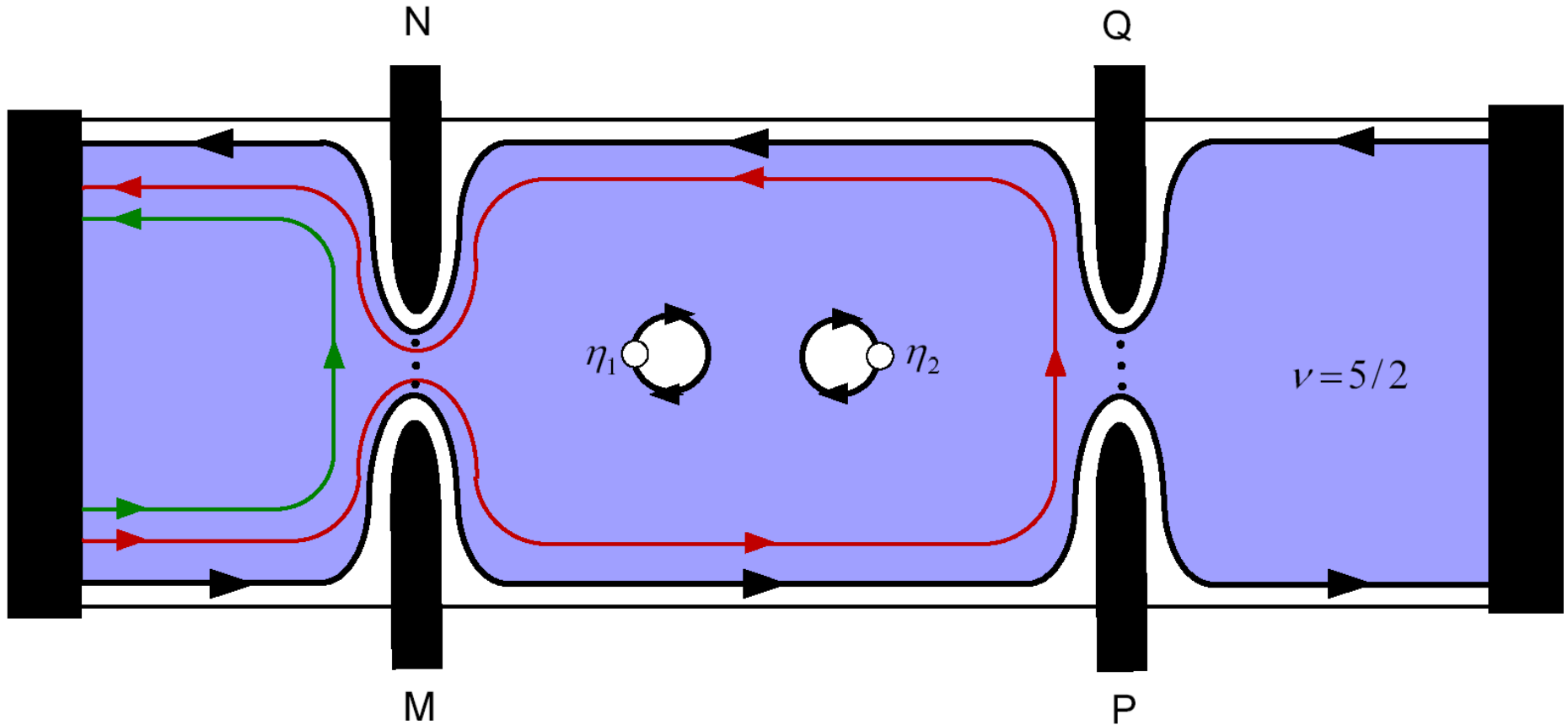
$$\text{CNOT} = R_{34}^{-1} R_{45} R_{34} R_{12} R_{56} R_{45} R_{34}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Universal Quantum Gate Set

- A set of universal quantum gates is any set of gates to which any operation possible on a quantum computer can be reduced, that is, any other unitary operation can be expressed as a finite sequence of gates from the set. We only require that any quantum operation can be approximated by a sequence of gates from this finite set. Moreover, for the specific case of single qubit gates, the [Solovay-Kitaev theorem](#) guarantees that this can be done efficiently.
- From a more mathematical point of view, the Solovay-Kitaev theorem is a remarkable general statement about how quickly the group $SU(d)$ is “filled in” by a universal set of gates.
- One simple set of universal quantum gates is the Hadamard gate H , [the \$\pi/8\$ -gate \$R\(\pi/4\)\$](#) , and the controlled-NOT gate.

$$R_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

Measuring Anyons

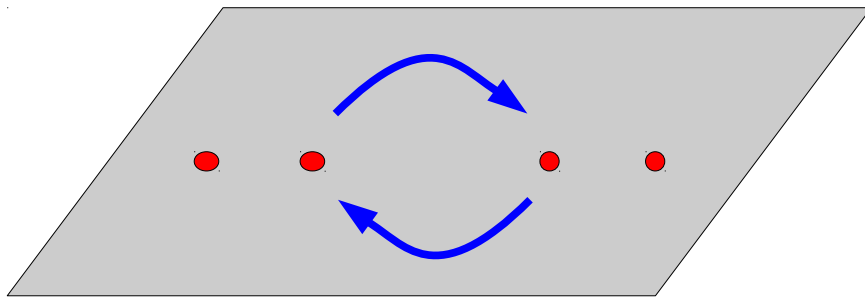


$$\sigma_{xx}^{|0\rangle} \propto |t_{MN} + it_{PQ}|^2.$$

$$\sigma_{xx}^{|1\rangle} \propto |t_{MN} - it_{PQ}|^2.$$

Das Sarma, Freedman & Nayak, PRL 94, 166802 (2005)

#4: Pictorial Messages



$$\Psi_a \rightarrow M_{ab} \Psi_b$$



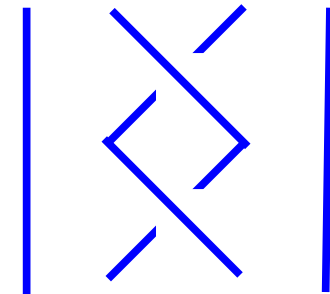
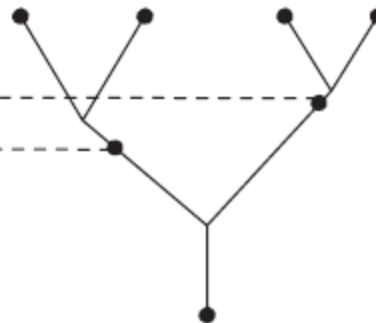
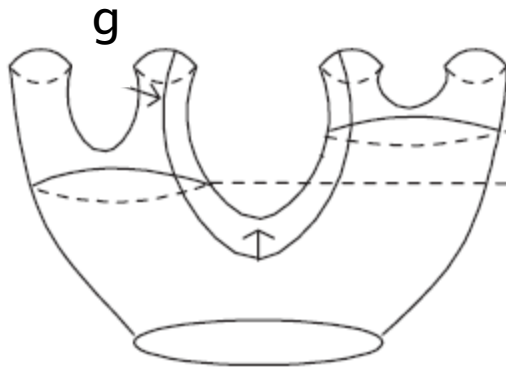
Excited
states

Gap Δ



ground state
manifold

Planer graph with punctures \Leftrightarrow Condensate with quasiparticles



initialization/
measurement (inverse process)

braiding = computing

Advantages: GS degeneracy and braiding operation robust against local perturbation

Topological Quantum Computation

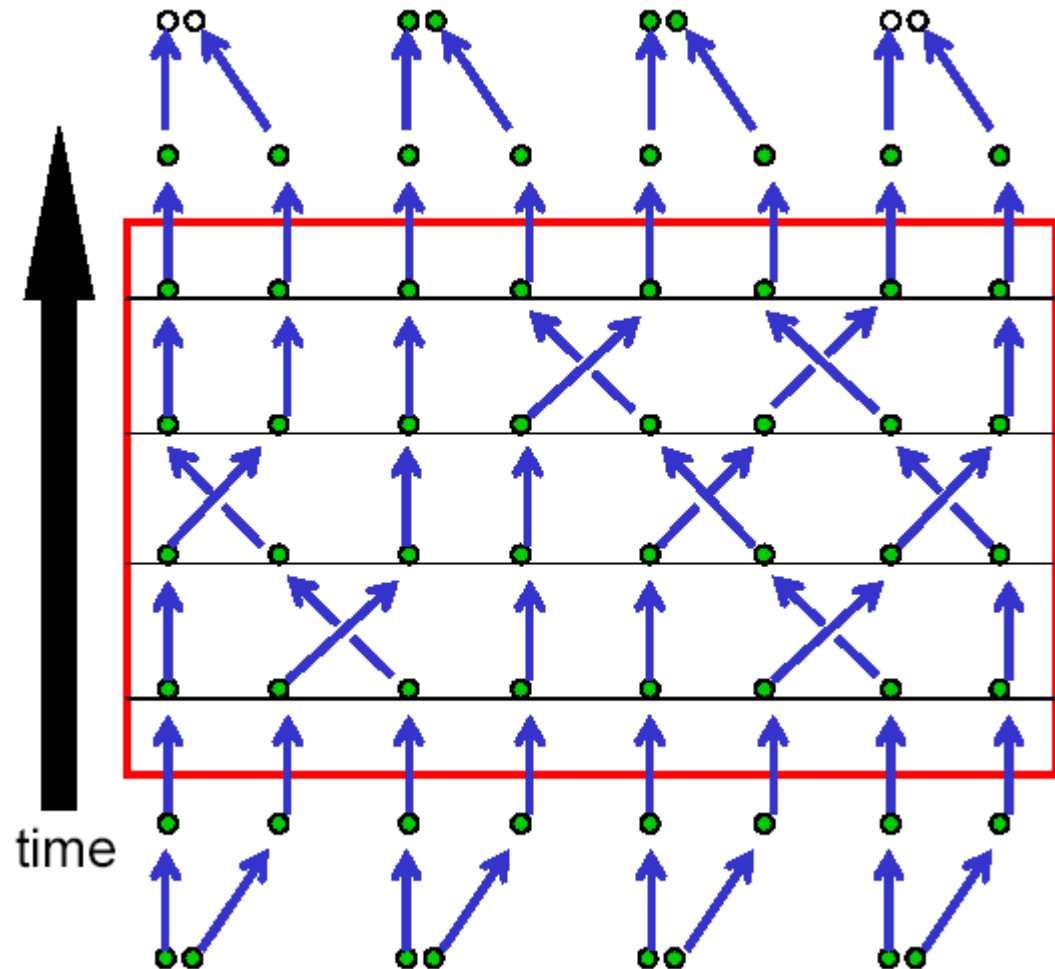
- (1) n qubits
- (2) initial state
- (3) quantum gates
- (4) classical control
- (5) readout



Kitaev



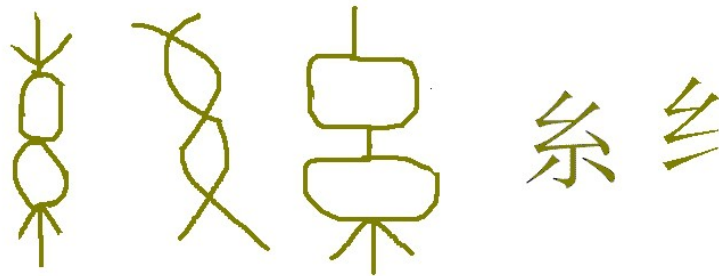
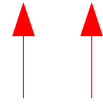
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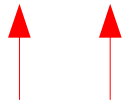
Next: compute with Fibonacci anyons

I Ching of Knots

- *I Ching* (~1100 BC): Ancient people **tyed knots** on cords to keep record, while people during later periods replaced with writing
- 《易·系辞》载：“上古**结绳**而治，后世圣人易之以书契”



纠缠 ↔ entanglement



Counting in Oracle Bone Inscriptions

- Decimal system in China (over 3000 years ago)

一 二 三 四 五 六 七 八 九 十

一 二 三 四 五 六 七 八 九 十 二十 三十 四十

百 五十 六十 七十 八十 一百 二百 三百 四百 五百 六百

千 八百 九百 一千 二千 三千 四千 五千 八千 一萬 三萬

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Fibonacci Anyons

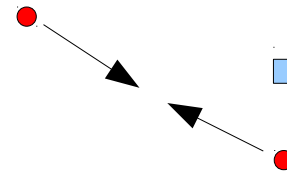
- Suppose we have only two types of anyons
 - A trivial anyon I (or 0): representing the ground state of the system (vacuum)
 - A non-trivial anyon τ (or 1) – must be the antiparticle of itself
- Anyons can be fused to a new one

Two possibilities:
non-Abelian!



$$\tau \times \tau = I + \tau$$

Ising: $\sigma \times \sigma = I + \psi$



or nothing

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{-1} & \phi^{-1/2} \\ \phi^{-1/2} & -\phi^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i4\pi/5} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i3\pi/5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \quad (\phi^2 = 1 + \phi)$$

$k = 3$ Read-Rezayi state; non-Abelian spin-singlet state (Ardonne & Schoutens)

Quantum Dimension

$$\tau \times \tau \times \tau \times \tau = (I + \tau) \times \tau \times \tau = (\tau \times \tau) + (\tau \times \tau \times \tau) = (I + \tau) + (I + \tau + \tau)$$

$$V_{n+1} = V_{n-1} + V_n$$

$$\text{Dim}(V_n) \sim \phi^n, \quad \phi = (\sqrt{5} + 1)/2$$

Dimension of V_n : 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, ...



$$a \text{ (loop)} = d_a$$

$$d_a d_b = a \text{ (double loop)} = \sum_c \sqrt{\frac{d_c}{d_a d_b}} a \text{ (loop)} = \sum_c N_{ab}^c d_c$$

$$\phi^2 = 1 + \phi$$

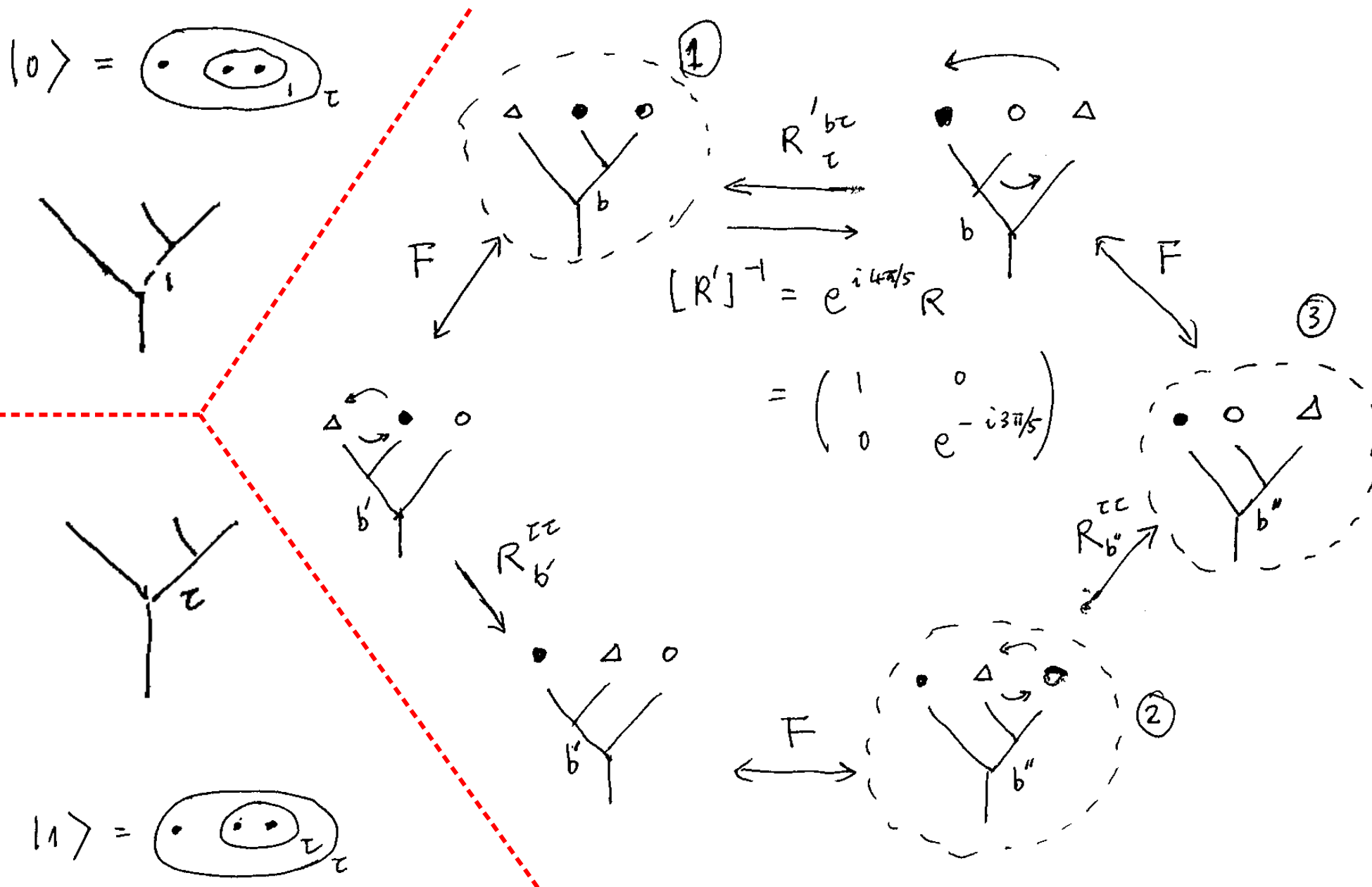
$$a \uparrow b \uparrow = \sum_c \sqrt{\frac{d_c}{d_a d_b}} \begin{array}{c} a \swarrow b \\ c \uparrow \\ a \swarrow b \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} c \uparrow \\ a \text{ (loop)} \\ c' \uparrow \end{array} b = \delta_{c,c'} \sqrt{\frac{d_a d_b}{d_c}} c \uparrow$$

$$\mathbb{I}_{ab} = \sum_c |a, b; c\rangle \langle a, b; c|$$

$$\langle a, b; c | a, b; c' \rangle = \delta_{c,c'}$$

Hexagon Equation

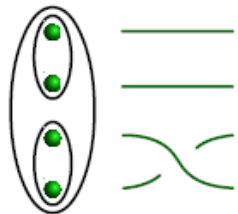


Single Qubit and Elementary Braids

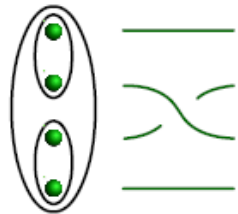
- Either three or four anyons can encode one qubit of information.



- A braid represents the worldline of anyons in the (2+1)-dim spacetime.

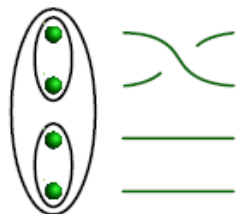


$$\sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i4\pi/5} & 0 \\ 0 & -e^{-i2\pi/5} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\tau e^{-i\pi/5} & -\sqrt{\tau} e^{i2\pi/5} \\ -\sqrt{\tau} e^{i2\pi/5} & -\tau \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tau = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$



$$\sigma_3 = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i4\pi/5} & 0 \\ 0 & -e^{-i2\pi/5} \end{bmatrix}$$

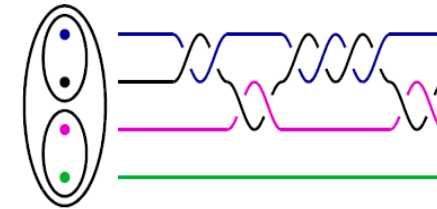
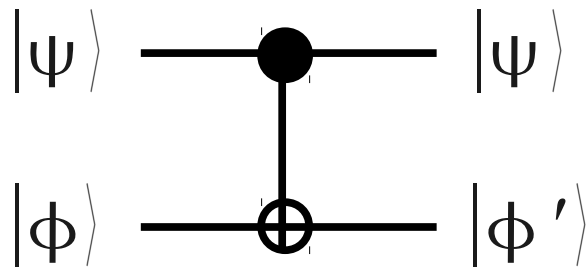
Identical to σ_1

Universal Quantum Gates

- Single-qubit gates (rotation)

$$|\psi\rangle \longrightarrow \boxed{U} \longrightarrow U|\psi\rangle$$

- At least a two-qubit gate, such as CNOT

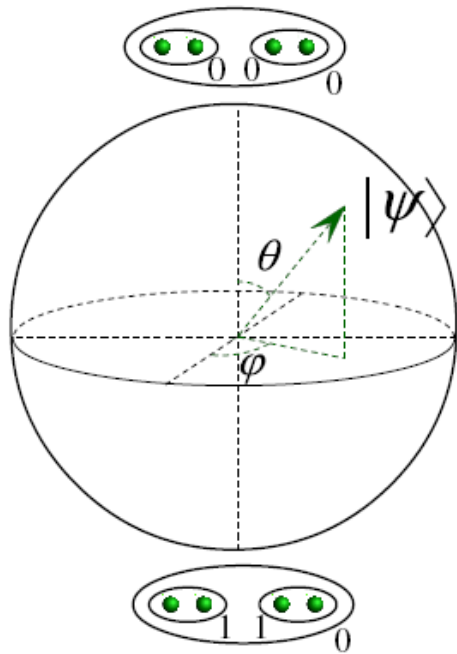


$$U^{-1} = \sigma_1^{-2} \sigma_2^2 \sigma_1^4 \dots$$

Goal: Efficiently find a sequence that approximates the target gate within a given error ϵ .

- Any N-qubit gates can be realized by the set of universal gates
- Freedman et al. proved TQC is as powerful as conventional QC; implemented by Bonesteel and co-workers using Fibonacci anyons.
- Textbook discussion on conventional quantum gate construction (e.g., Nielsen & Chung)

Single-Qubit Gates: Brute-Force Search



$$|\psi\rangle = \cos\theta |0\rangle + \sin\theta e^{i\varphi} |1\rangle$$

$$|\psi\rangle = e^{i\alpha} (\cos\theta |((11)_0(11)_0)_0\rangle + \sin\theta e^{i\varphi} |((11)_1(11)_1)_0\rangle)$$

- We have σ_1 (or σ_3), σ_2 , and inverses σ_1^{-1} , σ_2^{-1}
- Each exchange has 3 possibilities (no return)
- Finding the best braid in $\sim 3^N$ possibilities
- Exhaustive search: non-polynomial time
- Error to the desired gate (semi-empirical)

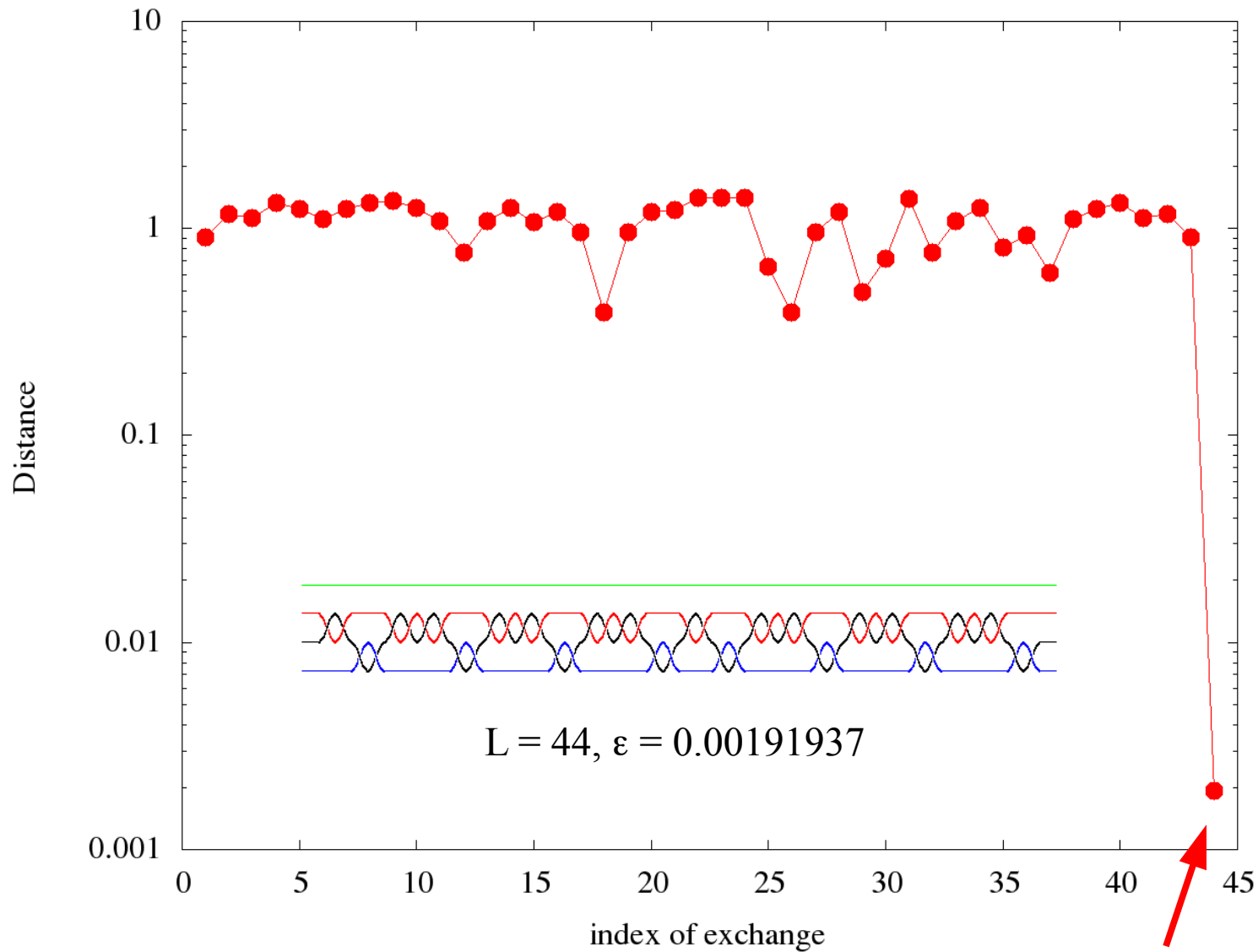
$$\sigma_i^{10} = 1$$

$$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_1 = 1$$

$$\epsilon \sim e^{-L/\xi}, \quad \xi \approx 7.3 \text{ for identity}$$

$$\approx \begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

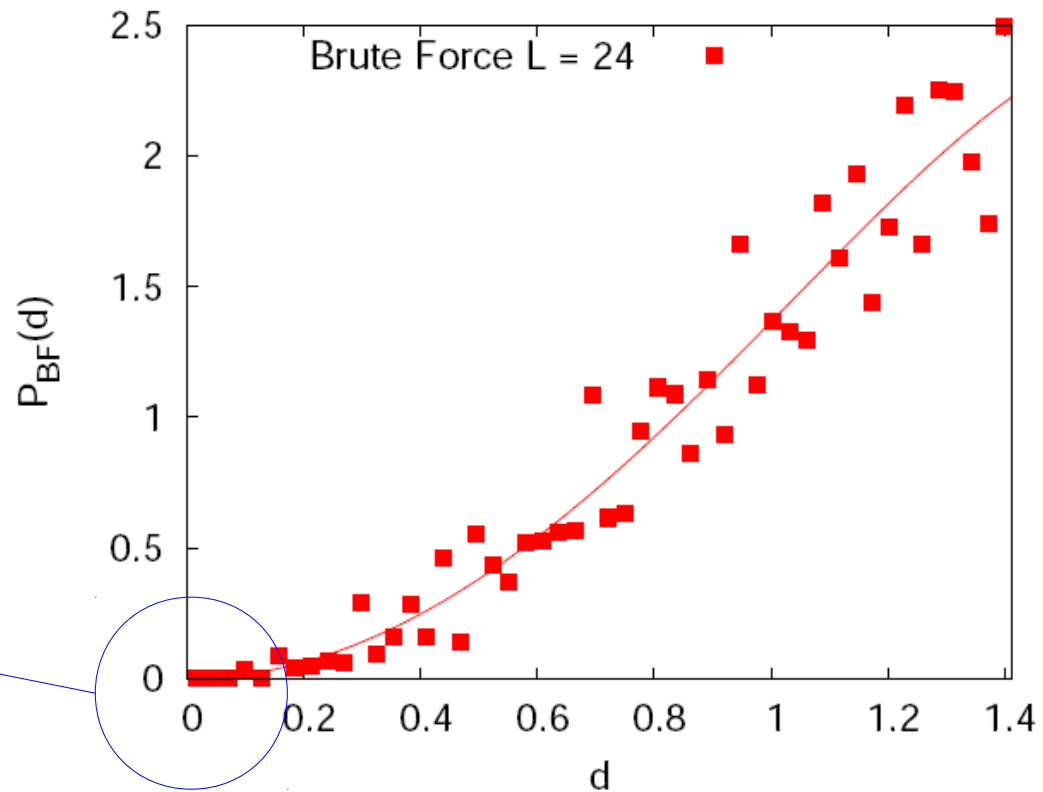
Exchange-by-Exchange Distance



Distance between matrices U and V is defined as the square root of the highest eigenvalues of $(U-V)^*(U-V)$

Distance Distribution for a Fixed Length

Distribution of distance to the identity for all weaves (a subset of braids in which only one anyon moves) with a length 24:



How to enhanced the sampling at small d ?

$$g = e^{i\hat{m} \cdot \vec{\sigma}(\phi/2)} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi/2) + im_z \sin(\phi/2) & m_y \sin(\phi/2) + im_x \sin(\phi/2) \\ -m_y \sin(\phi/2) + im_x \sin(\phi/2) & \cos(\phi/2) - im_z \sin(\phi/2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$d = 2 \sin(\phi/4) \quad P_{BF}(d) = \frac{4}{\pi} d^2 \sqrt{1 - d^2/4}$$

assuming that the braids distributed uniformly in the space of unitary matrices

Randomly Uniform Approximation

- Assumption: The matrix representations of long enough braids distribute randomly in the space of unitary matrices (3-sphere). There is no **local** correlation.

- Total number of weaves for a fixed braid length L :

$$N(L) \sim \alpha^{L/2}, \quad \alpha \approx 2.732 < 3$$

$$\sigma_i^{10} = 1 \quad \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_1 = 1$$

- Average volume per weave on the 3-sphere:

$$[\epsilon(L)]^3 \sim 1/N(L) \sim \alpha^{-L/2}$$

- Average error: $\epsilon(L) \sim \alpha^{-L/6}$

$$\text{or } L \sim \ln(1/\epsilon)$$

$$T \sim (1/\epsilon)^3 \quad \text{inefficient!}$$

$$g = e^{i \hat{m} \cdot \vec{\sigma} (\phi/2)}$$

$$\sigma_1^{n_1} \sigma_2^{n_2} \sigma_1^{n_3} \sigma_2^{n_4} \cdots \sigma_1^{n_{m-1}} \sigma_2^{n_m}$$

$$n_i = \pm 2, \pm 4$$

$$L = \sum_i |n_i|$$

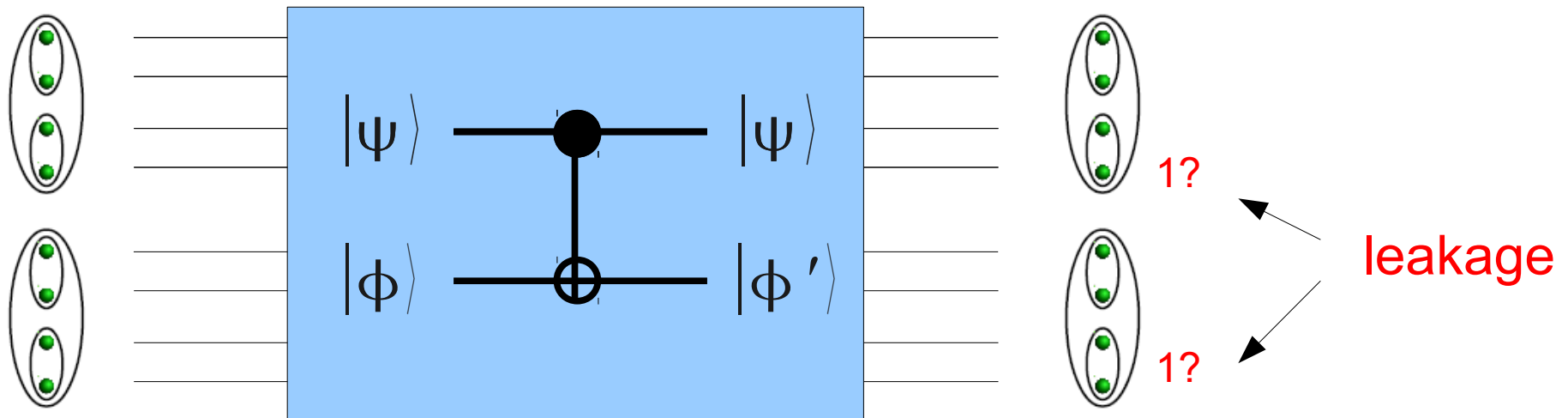
$$N(L) \sim \left(1 + \sqrt{3}\right)^{L/2}$$

Two-Qubit Gates

- Single-qubit gate: 3 free parameters [SU(2)]

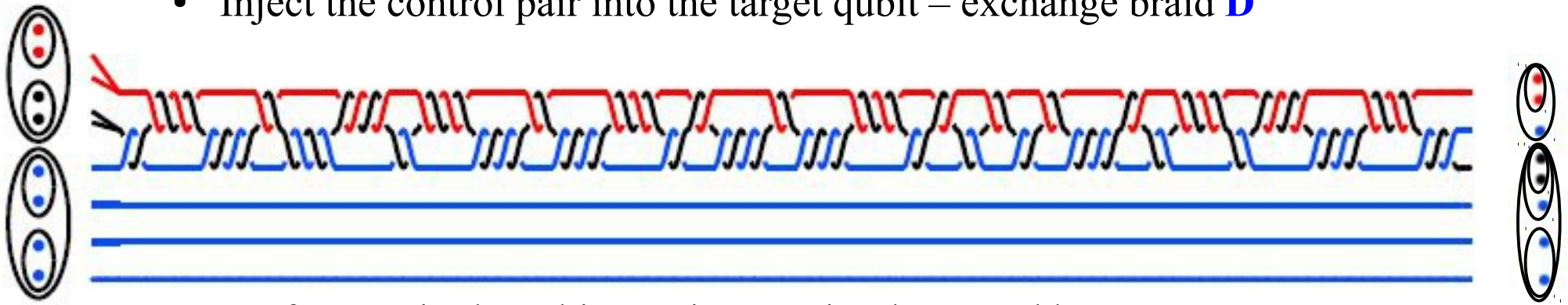
$$e^{i\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{1-b^2}e^{-i\beta} & be^{i\gamma} \\ -be^{-i\gamma} & \sqrt{1-b^2}e^{i\beta} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Two-qubit gate: too many parameters

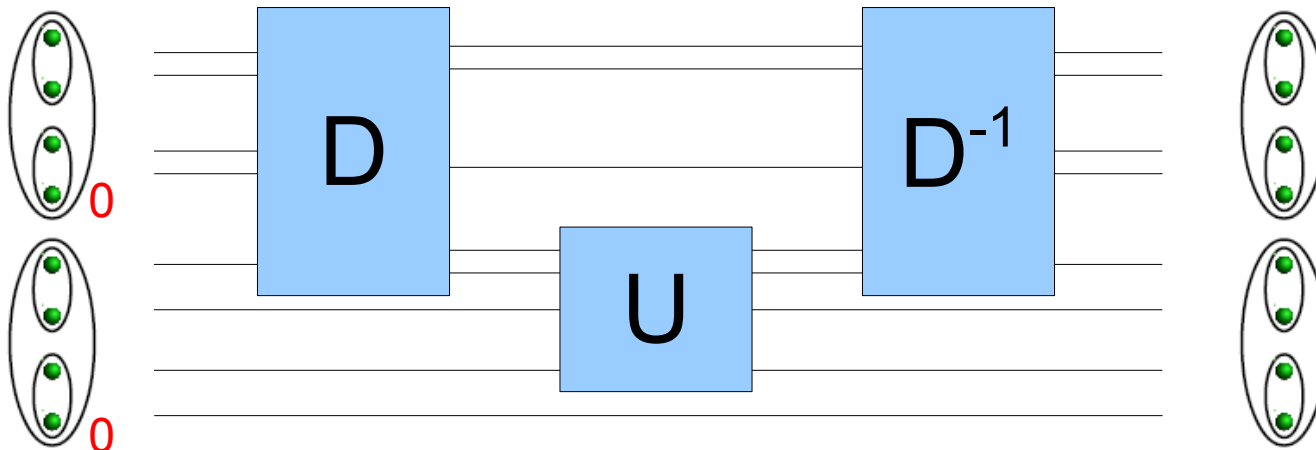


Decomposing Two-Qubit Gates

- Idea proposed by Bonesteel et al. (2005) – leakage error $\sim 10^{-3}$
- [Xu & Wan, 08] Reduces leakage error significantly, $\sim 10^{-9}$
 - Inject the control pair into the target qubit – exchange braid **D**



- Perform a single-qubit rotation **U** – implemented by a weave
- Extract the control pair use the inverse of the inverse of the exchange braid **D⁻¹**

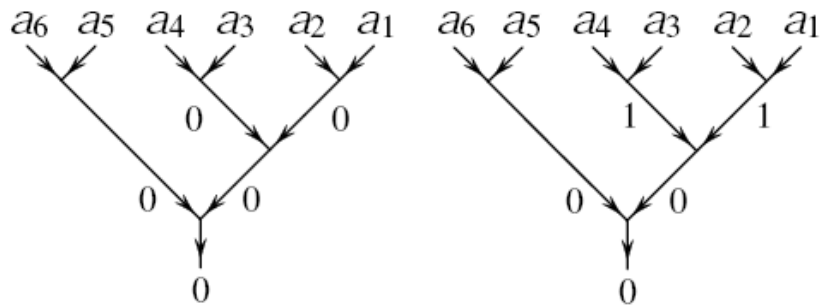
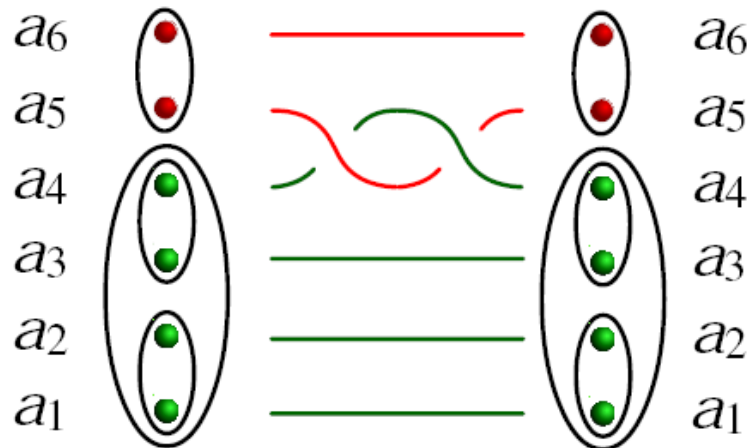


Generic controlled-gates with leakage error $\sim 10^{-9}$.

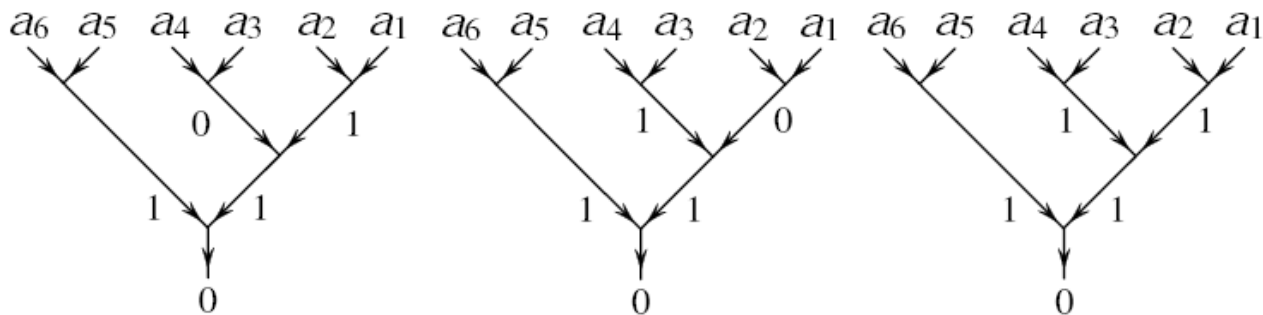
Leakage Error

Create a pair of anyons out of vacuum (so fuse to 0).

Note they could also be stray anyons thermally excited.

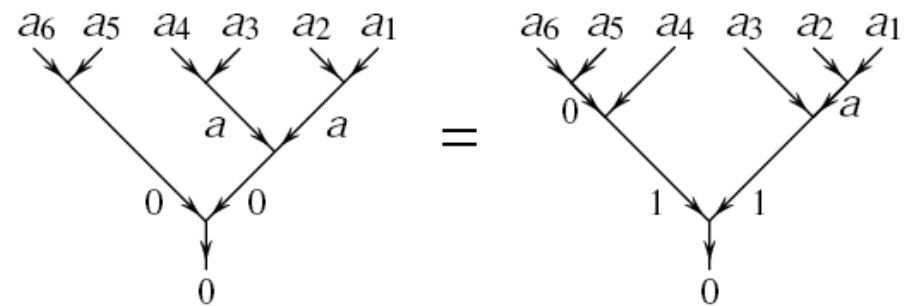
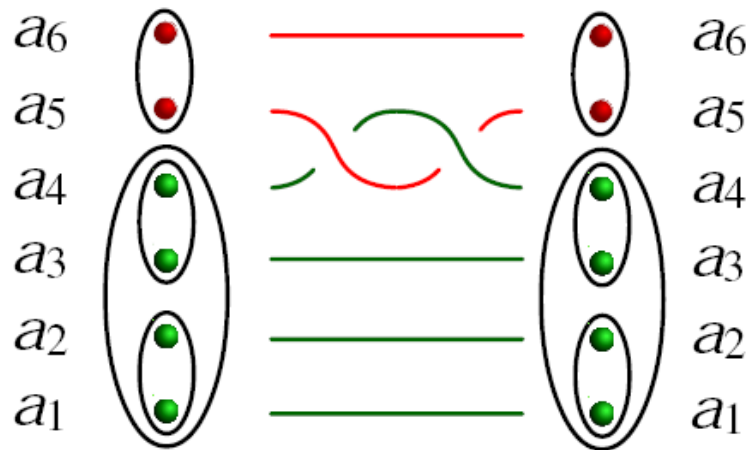


Computing basis

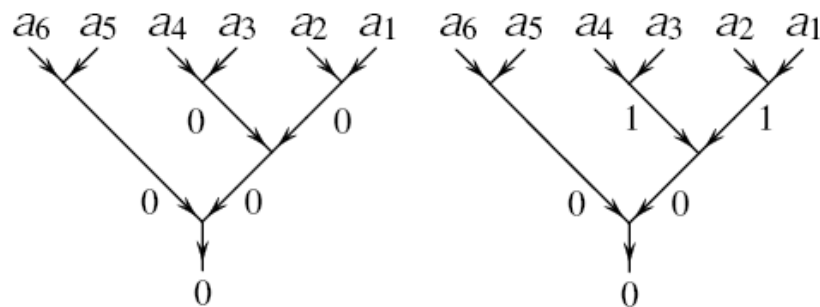


Non-computing basis

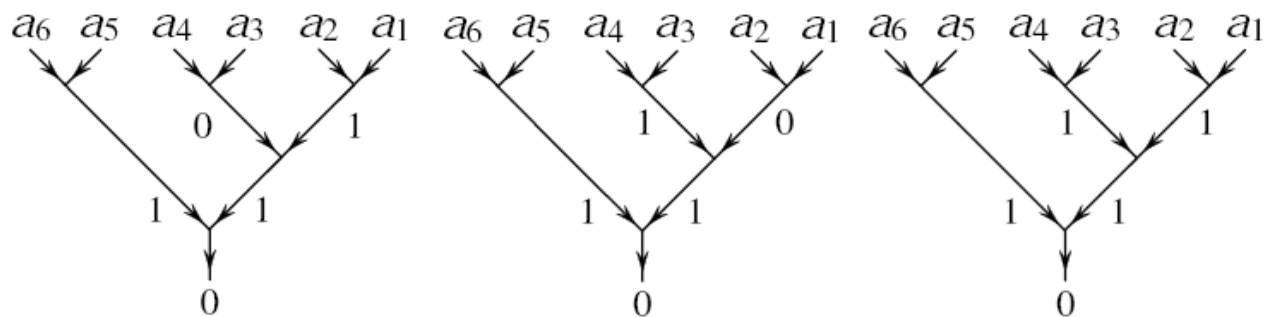
Leakage-Error Analysis



What kind of braids (of a_4, a_5, a_6) leave the left qubit in state 0, after exchanging a_4 and a_5 ?



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



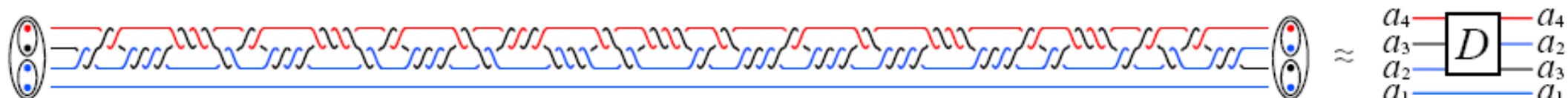
$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\beta} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = e^{i\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Phase Gates

- Let us look for diagonal matrices, rather than the identity matrix; this means we **introduce a phase error**.

$$e^{i\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{1-b^2}e^{-i\beta} & be^{i\gamma} \\ -be^{-i\gamma} & \sqrt{1-b^2}e^{i\beta} \end{bmatrix}$$

- For small b , γ is irrelevant. Targeting less parameter – higher accuracy!



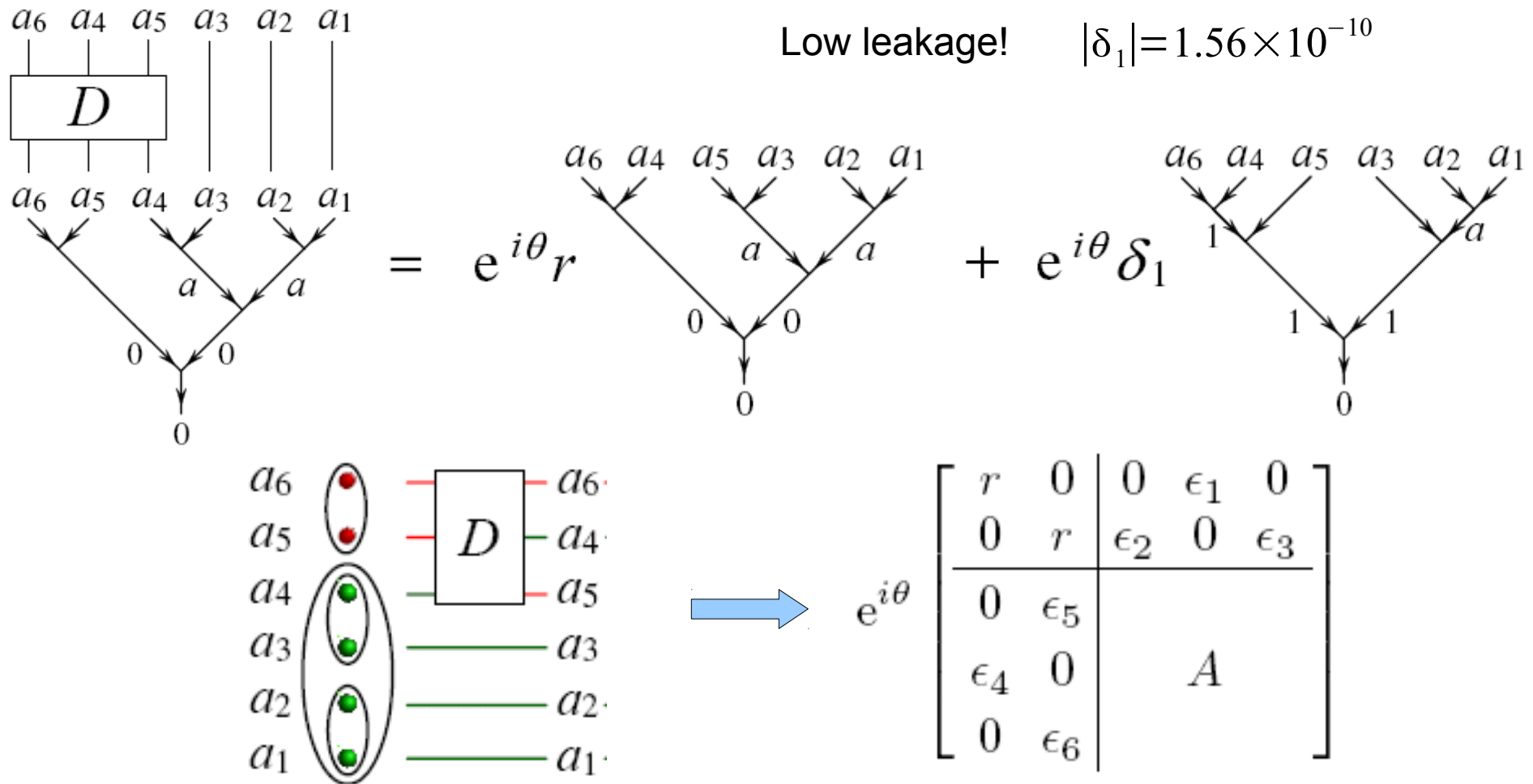
$$\sigma_2^{-2} \sigma_3^{-2} \sigma_2^{-4} \sigma_3^4 \sigma_2^2 \sigma_3^{-2} \sigma_2^{-4} \sigma_3^4 \sigma_2^2 \sigma_3^{-2} \sigma_2^{-4} \sigma_3^2 \sigma_2^2 \sigma_3^{-4} \sigma_2^4 \sigma_3^2 \sigma_2^2 \sigma_3^4 \sigma_2^{-2} \sigma_3^2 \sigma_2^{-4} \sigma_3^{-2} \sigma_2^{-4} \sigma_3^2 \sigma_2^{-4} \sigma_3^4 \sigma_2^{-4} \sigma_3^{-2} \sigma_2^{-2} \sigma_3^4 \sigma_2^{-2} \sigma_3^{-2} \sigma_2^2 \sigma_3^{-2} \sigma_2^{-3} = e^{i\theta} \begin{bmatrix} r & \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 & re^{i\varphi} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|\delta_1| = |\delta_2| = \sqrt{1-r^2} = 1.56 \times 10^{-10}$$

- But how do we use it? What about the phase?

Exchange Braid

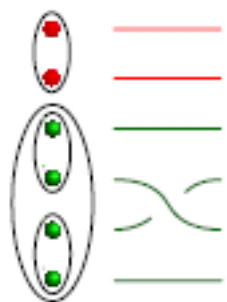
- Apply the diagonal gate (**with the irrelevant phase**) to the leakage model



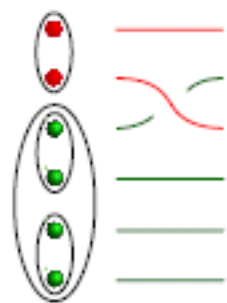
$$|\epsilon_1| = \sqrt{|\epsilon_2|^2 + |\epsilon_3|^2} = |\epsilon_4| = \sqrt{|\epsilon_5|^2 + |\epsilon_6|^2} = |\delta_1| = \sqrt{1 - r^2} \approx 1.56 \times 10^{-10}$$

5-Dimensional Representation

- One calculate the braiding matrix in an enlarged space, including non-computing bases.

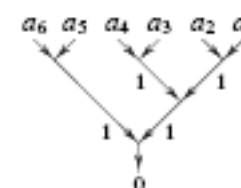
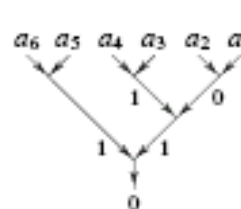
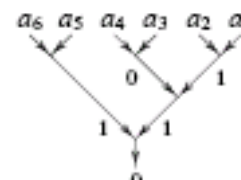


$$\sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\tau e^{-i\pi/5} & -\sqrt{\tau} e^{i2\pi/5} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sqrt{\tau} e^{i2\pi/5} & -\tau & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\tau e^{-i\pi/5} & -\tau e^{i2\pi/5} & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} \\ 0 & 0 & -\tau e^{i2\pi/5} & -\tau e^{-i\pi/5} & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} \\ 0 & 0 & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} & \nu \end{bmatrix}$$

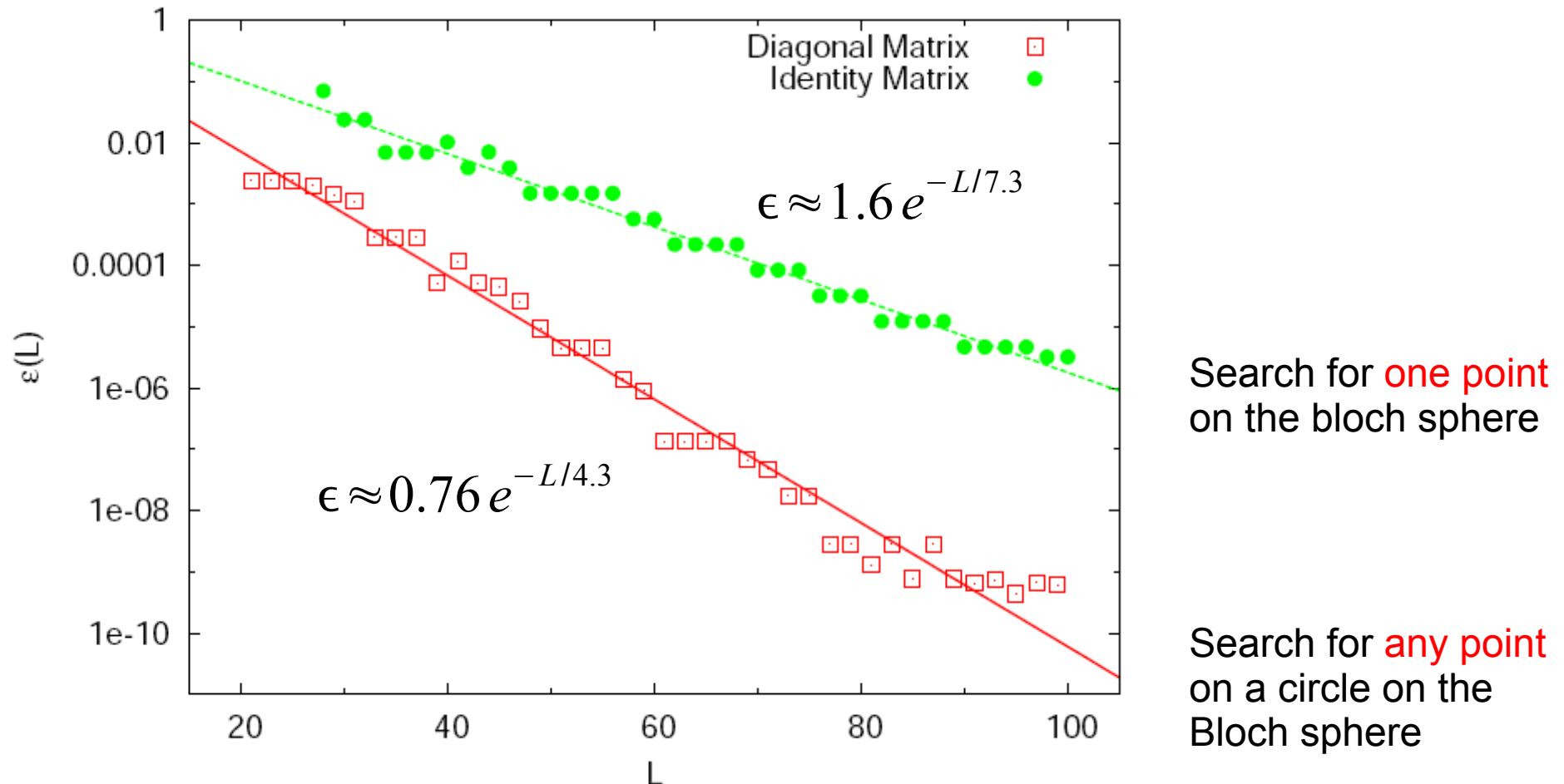


$$\sigma_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -\tau e^{-i\pi/5} & 0 & 0 & -\sqrt{\tau} e^{i2\pi/5} & 0 \\ 0 & -\tau e^{-i\pi/5} & -\tau e^{i2\pi/5} & 0 & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} \\ 0 & -\tau e^{i2\pi/5} & -\tau e^{-i\pi/5} & 0 & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} \\ -\sqrt{\tau} e^{i2\pi/5} & 0 & 0 & -\tau & 0 \\ 0 & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} & \tau^{3/2} e^{i2\pi/5} & 0 & \nu \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nu = -\tau(1 + \tau^3)e^{-i2\pi/5} + \tau^3 e^{-i4\pi/5}.$$



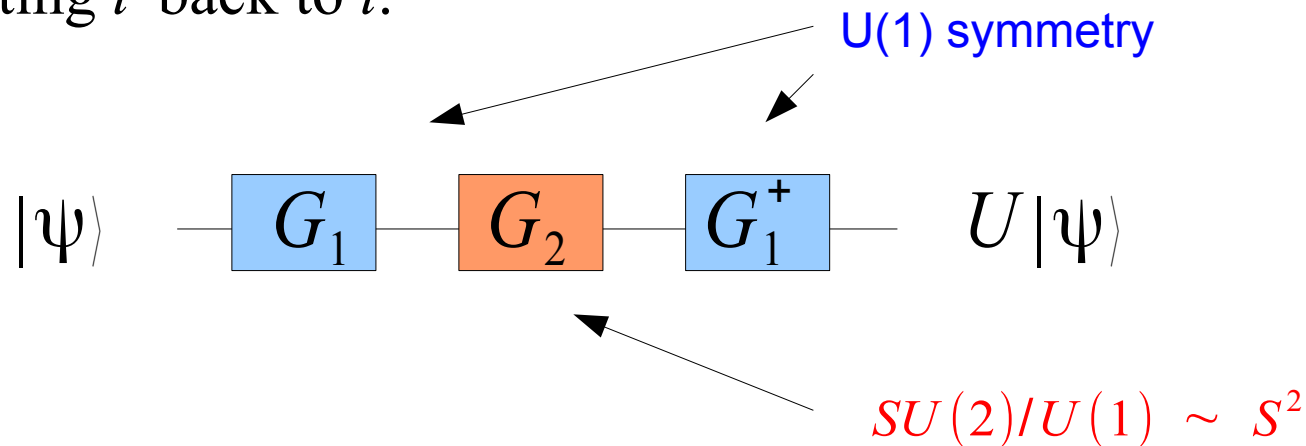
Improvement in the Brute-Force Performance



Leakage error reduction by several orders of magnitude

Single-Qubit Construction Again

- Single-qubit construction hides an $SU(2)$ symmetry. A rotation around an arbitrary axis l by an angle θ on a Bloch sphere can be carried out by first rotating l to another direction l' , then rotating around l' by an angle θ , and finally rotating l' back to l .



- Implementation: Instead of search for a gate G , we search a pair of gates G_1 and G_2 , such that $G \approx G_1 G_2 G_1^+$

$$G_{1,2} = e^{i\alpha_{1,2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{1 - b_{1,2}^2} e^{-i\beta_{1,2}} & b_{1,2} e^{i\gamma_{1,2}} \\ -b_{1,2} e^{-i\gamma_{1,2}} & \sqrt{1 - b_{1,2}^2} e^{i\beta_{1,2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Geometric Redundancy for Single-qubit Gates

- We first rotate the axis of rotation, then rotate around the axis, and finally rotate the axis back – physically, this means that we have a **geometric redundancy** in search, due to the SU(2) rotation symmetry.

- We can search G_1 and G_2 separately
- Both searches are achievable in lower (than 3) dimensions
- i.e., we can fix

G_1 up to a U(1) rotation, and
 G_2 up to $SU(2) / U(1) \sim S^2$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\beta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\beta} \end{bmatrix}$$

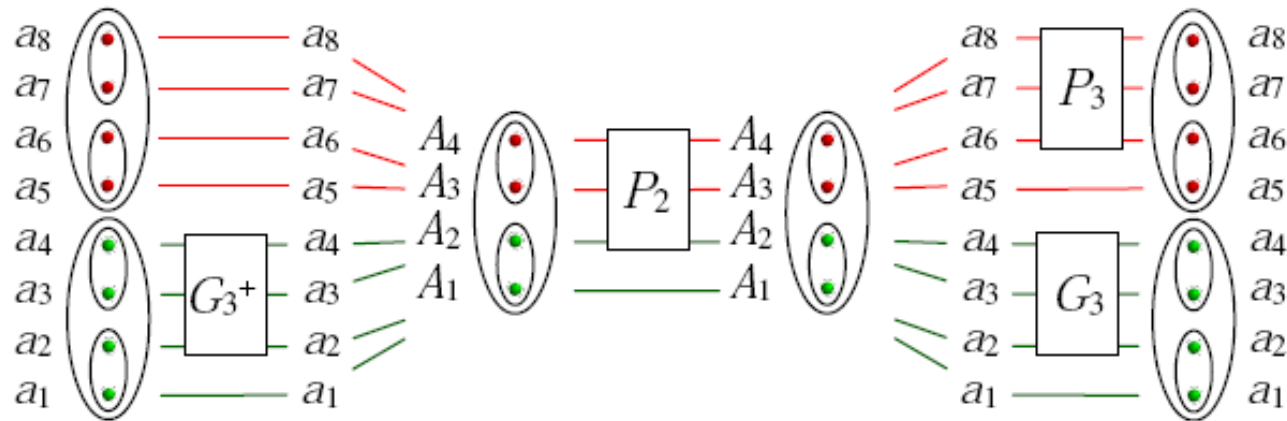
$$b_1 = \frac{(1 - b_2^2)^{1/2} \cos \beta_2 = \cos \beta,}{b_2},$$

$$\sqrt{2 \sin^2 \beta + 2(1 - b_2^2)^{1/2} \sin \beta_2 \sin \beta}$$

$$\beta_1 + \gamma_1 = \gamma_2 + (k + 1/2)\pi,$$

- **Outcome: Generic single-qubit gates with error (distance) $\sim 10^{-10}$ with braids of ~ 300 exchanges (length) – Xu & XW (2009).**
 - Hormozi et al. (07): 4×10^{-5} for a braid of length 220 with Solovay-Kitaev algorithm

Arbitrary Controlled-rotation Gate



$$e^{i(\alpha_3 - \beta_3)} \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & R & \\ 0 & 0 & & \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \nearrow P_2 = e^{i\alpha_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc} e^{-i\beta_2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\beta_2} \end{array} \right] \\ \rightarrow P_3 = e^{i\alpha_3} \left[\begin{array}{cc} e^{-i\beta_3} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\beta_3} \end{array} \right] \\ \searrow e^{i(\frac{\alpha_2 - \beta_2}{2} + 2\beta_3)} G_3 \left[\begin{array}{cc} e^{-i(\alpha_2 - \beta_2)/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i(\alpha_2 - \beta_2)/2} \end{array} \right] G_3^+ \end{array}$$

- Example: CNOT with precision 5×10^{-10} – 280 interchanges of double braids and 208 of single braids

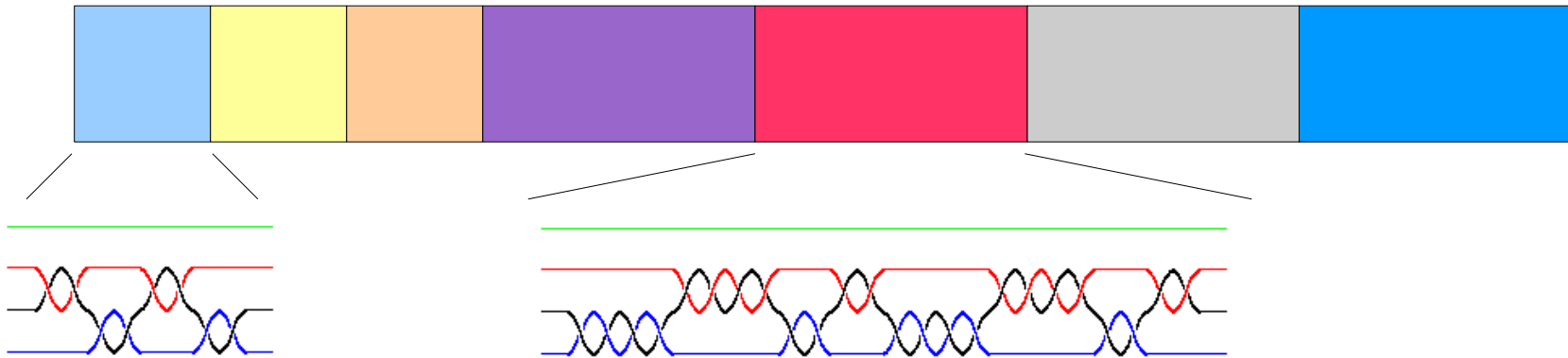
#5: Messages on Topological Quantum Gates

- Three or four Fibonacci anyons can encode one qubit of information.
- Quantum gates can be achieved by braiding anyons; in particular, moving one or one pair of anyons is enough to generate all quantum gates.
- Braids for quantum gates can be compiled into sequences of two elementary exchanges and their inverses.
- The construction of two-qubit gates can be mapped to that of single-qubit gates. But at least one high-precision phase gate is needed to eliminate leakage errors.
- In the brute-force search for braids geometrical redundancy can be explored to boost the efficiency.

Next: reducing the computational complexity of search

Renormalization Group Scheme

1. Start from a collection of braids of certain length
2. Find the cluster of braids that approximates the target best
3. Moving on to a collection of longer braids (finer in distance) matching the residual error
4. Repeat 2-3, and stop when the desired error scale is reached

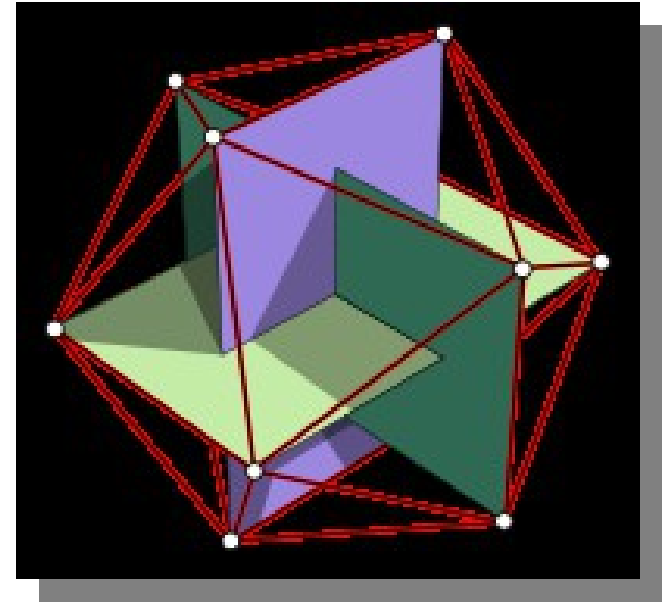


Icosahedral Group

- The following Cartesian coordinates define the vertices of an icosahedron with edge-length 2, centered at the origin:

$$(0, \pm 1, \pm \phi), (\pm 1, \pm \phi, 0), (\pm \phi, 0, \pm 1)$$

- The icosahedral group is the largest finite subgroup of $SU(2)$. It is composed by the 60 rotations around the axes of symmetry of the icosahedron.



$$\phi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

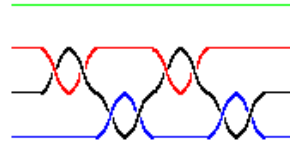
- There are 6 axes of the 5th order, 10 of the 3rd, and 15 of the 2nd.

$$I_{60} = \{ g_0, g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{59} \} \quad g_0 = e$$

- We approximate all group elements by braids of various length.

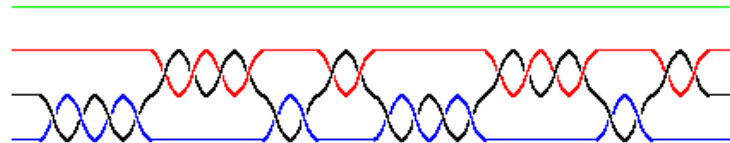
Braid Representations for the Identity e

- $L = 8, e = 0.236068$



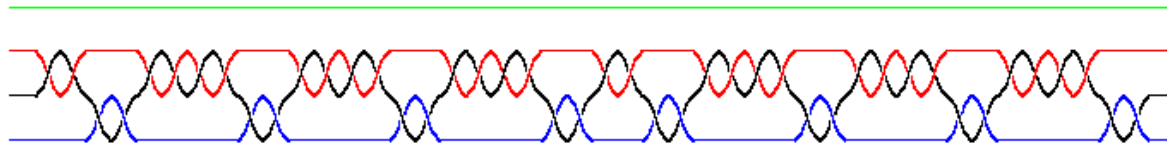
$$\tilde{g}_0(8) = \sigma_2^{-2} \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^{-2} \sigma_1^2 = g_0 e^{i\Delta_0^{(8)}}$$

- $L = 24, e = 0.0344419$

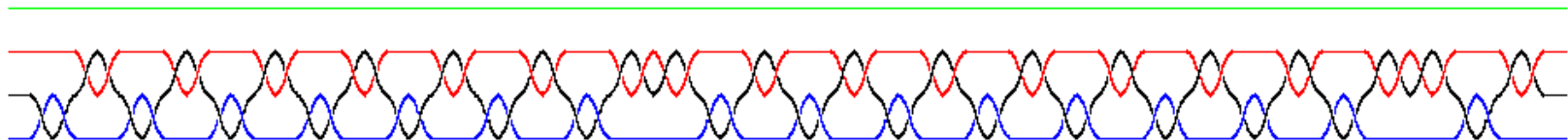


$\Delta_0^{(8)}$: a Hermitian matrix characterizing error

- $L = 44, e = 0.00191937$



- $L = 68, e = 0.0000304193$



The braid representations can be computed and stored once for all.
Hence no additional cost to the search later.

Connection to Random Matrix Theory

- Pseudogroup of braids (for small Δ_i)

$$g_i g_j = g_k, \quad \tilde{g}_i \tilde{g}_j = g_i e^{i\Delta_i} g_j e^{i\Delta_j} \approx g_k e^{i(g_j^{-1} \Delta_i g_j + \Delta_j)} \neq \tilde{g}_k = g_k e^{i\Delta_k}$$

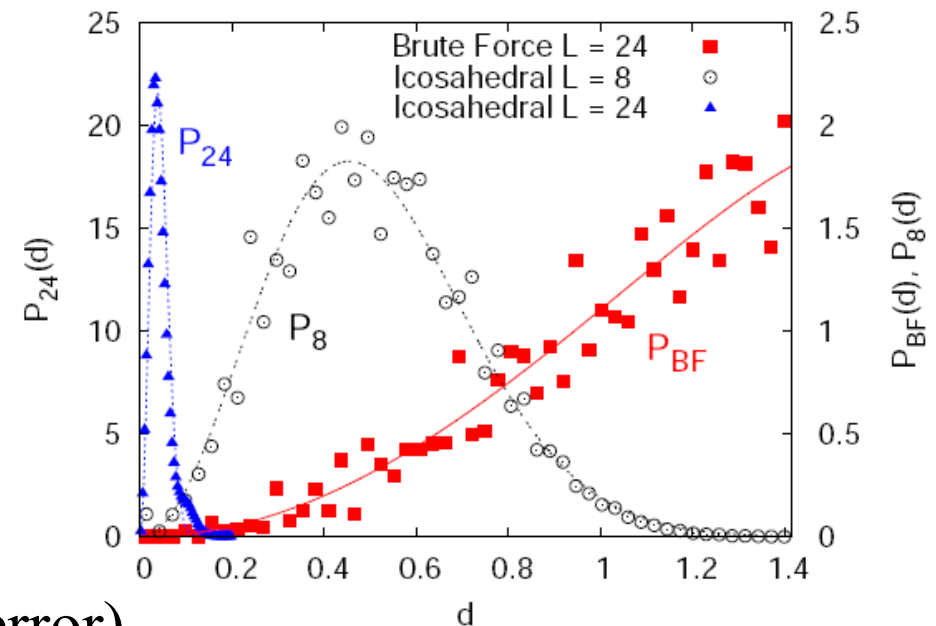
- To approximate $g_i g_j \cdots g_{n+1} = e$

$$\tilde{g}_i \tilde{g}_j \cdots \tilde{g}_{n+1} = g_i e^{i\Delta_i} g_j e^{i\Delta_j} \cdots g_{n+1} e^{i\Delta_{n+1}} \equiv e^{iH_n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_n = & g_i \Delta_i g_i^{-1} + g_i g_j \Delta_j g_j^{-1} g_i^{-1} + \cdots \\ & + g_i g_j \cdots g_n \Delta_n g_n^{-1} \cdots g_j^{-1} g_i^{-1} \\ & + \Delta_{n+1} + O(\Delta^2) \end{aligned}$$

- We conjecture H_n is a random matrix in the Wigner-Dyson Gaussian Unitary Ensemble (s for eigenvalue/error)

$$P(s) = \frac{32}{\pi^2 s_0} \left(\frac{s}{s_0} \right)^2 e^{-(4/\pi)(s/s_0)^2}$$

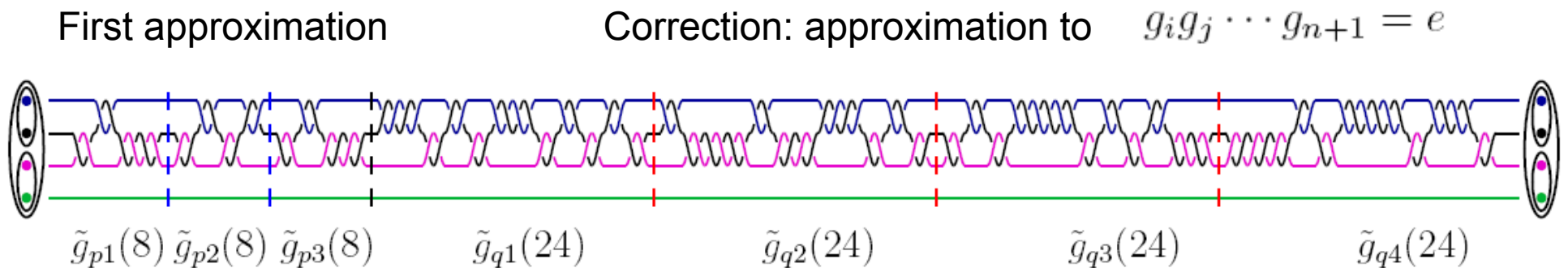


$n = 3$ is large enough

A single parameter s_0 controls the flow of the (distribution of) error.

Refined Realization

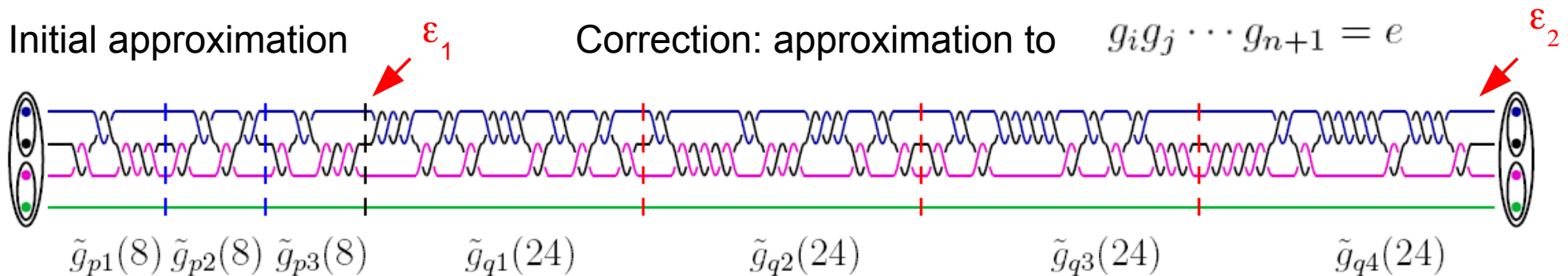
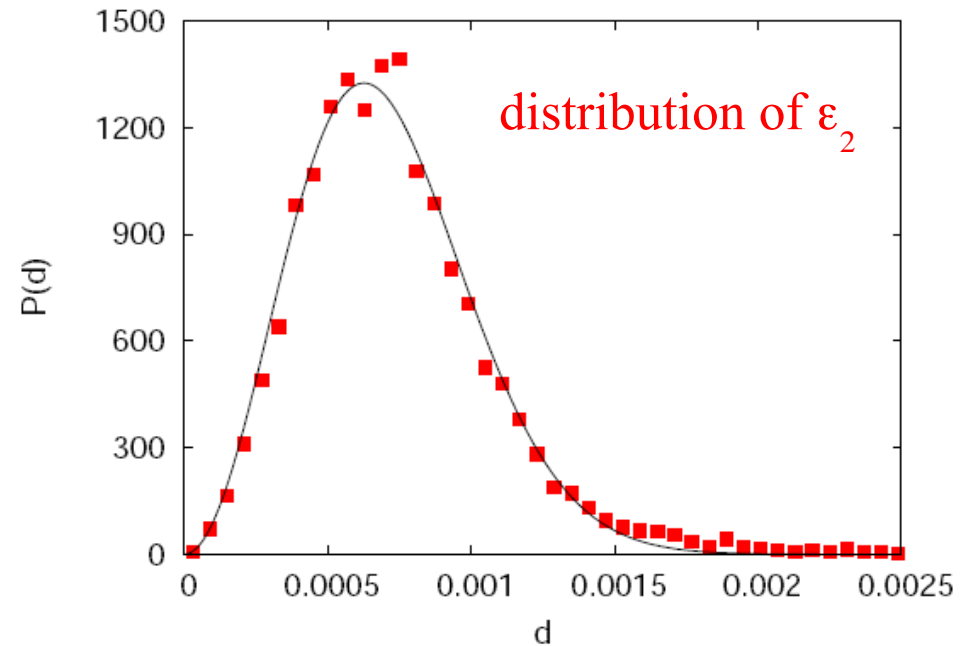
1. Load a collection of braids of certain length **that approximate the elements of the icosahedral group**.
2. Find the cluster of braids that approximates the target best
3. Replace with a collection of longer (finer in distance) braids **that approximate the icosahedral group matching the residual error**
4. Find the cluster of braids **in the vicinity of the identity** that **when adding to the previous approximation reduces the residual error most**
5. Repeat 3-4, and stop when the desired error scale is reached



Understanding Error Renormalization

- First approximate by gluing 3 short ($L = 8$) segments (1 out of 60^3).
- Reduce the error (ϵ_1) by gluing 4 ($= n + 1$) longer ($L = 24$) segments (1 out of 60^3).
- The resulting error (ϵ_2) follows the Wigner-Dyson distribution.
- Average error reduction:

$$\langle \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle / \langle \mathbf{e}_2 \rangle \sim f = \frac{60^{n/3}}{\sqrt{n+1}}$$



Scaling Analysis

- The number of iteration for a given final error $\epsilon \ll 1$

$$\sim \frac{\ln(1/\epsilon)}{\ln f} \quad \ln(1/\epsilon_i) \sim i \ln f$$

- Choose suitable braid segment length to match the residual error

$$l_i \sim L_0 \ln(1/\epsilon_{i-1})$$

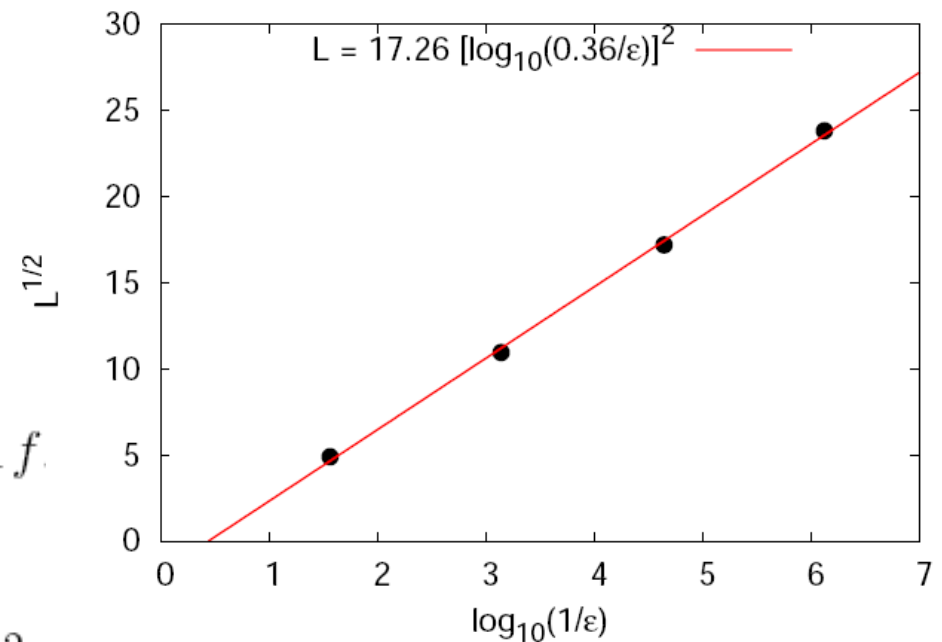
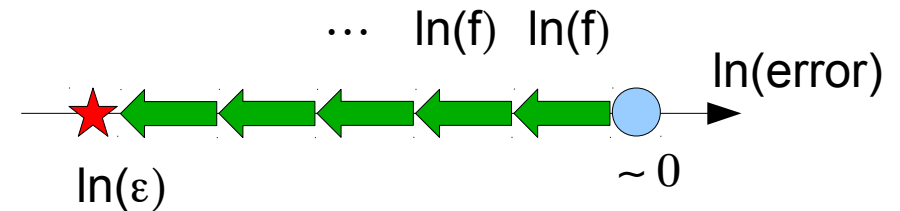
- Each iteration increases the length by 4 (= n + 1) segments

$$L_i - L_{i-1} = 4L_0 \ln(1/\epsilon_{i-1}) \sim 4L_0(i-1) \ln f$$

- Length of braid after q iterations

$$L_q \sim \sum_{i=1}^q 4L_0(i-1) \ln f \sim q^2 \sim (\ln(1/\epsilon))^2$$

- Time $\sim \ln(1/\epsilon)$



Comparison with Other Algorithms

- Compiling with the RG-like algorithm

$$L_{\text{qh}} \sim (\ln(1/\varepsilon))^2$$
$$T_{\text{qh}} \sim N \sim \ln(1/\varepsilon)$$

- Brute-force search

$$L_{\text{bf}} \approx L_0 \ln(1/\varepsilon),$$
$$T_{\text{bf}} \sim (1/\varepsilon)^3.$$

- Solovay-Kitaev

$$L \sim (\ln(1/\varepsilon))^c \quad \text{with} \quad c = \frac{\ln 5}{\ln(3/2)} \approx 3.97$$

$$T \sim (\ln(1/\varepsilon))^d \quad \text{with} \quad d = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln(3/2)} \approx 2.71$$

$$L \sim (\ln(1/\varepsilon))^2 \ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon))$$

$$T \sim (\ln(1/\varepsilon))^2 \ln(\ln(1/\varepsilon))$$

It takes **less than a second** on a 3 GHz Intel E6850 processor to reach **an average precision of 7×10^{-4}** for an arbitrary gate.

$$U_{i+1} = A_i B_i A_i^{-1} B_i^{-1} U_i$$

Hormozi *et al.*

Dawson and Nielsen

Thanks to randomness in the building blocks, we save time in search exponentially.

#6: Importance of Algorithm

- In a classical computer, one can build up a circuit, e.g., to add two numbers using OR and NOT gates.
- In a quantum computer, the set of possible quantum gates forms a continuum, and it's not necessarily possible to use one gate set to simulate another exactly. Instead, some approximation may be necessary.
- We explore an algorithm that guarantees the efficient construction of any quantum gate, to a very good approximation.
 - From a practical point of view, this is important in compiling quantum algorithms (like Shor's) into a form that can be implemented fault-tolerantly.
 - From a more mathematical point of view, we give a general statement about how quickly the group $SU(d)$ is “filled in” by a universal set of gates.
- This is also the importance of the textbook example – the Solovay-Kitaev algorithm.