

Quantum Codes & Quadratic forms.

Definition 13. An *involution* on an additive category \mathcal{A} is an additive contravariant functor

$$* : \mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

together with a natural isomorphism

$$\eta : \text{id}_{\mathcal{A}} \xrightarrow{\sim} * \circ *^{\text{op}}$$

such that, for every object $A \in \mathcal{A}$, $(\eta_A)^* \circ \eta_{A^*} = \text{id}_{A^*}$, i.e., the double dual is naturally isomorphic to the identity functor and the involution is of order two up to isomorphism.

We denote such a structure by the pair $(\mathcal{A}, *)$.

Example 14. Let R be an associative ring equipped with a ring involution

$$\overline{(\cdot)} : R \rightarrow R, \quad \overline{ab} = \overline{b}\overline{a}, \quad \overline{\overline{a}} = a.$$

Let \mathcal{A} be the additive category whose objects are finitely generated, free left R -modules, and whose morphisms are R -linear maps.

Define a contravariant functor

$$* : \mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$$

as follows:

- For each object $M \in \mathcal{A}$, let

$$M^* := \text{Hom}_R(M, R),$$

with the structure of a left R -module defined by

$$(r \cdot f)(m) := f(m) \cdot \overline{r} \quad \text{for } r \in R, f \in M^*, m \in M.$$

- For a morphism $f : M \rightarrow N$, define

$$f^* : N^* \rightarrow M^*, \quad f^*(\phi) := \phi \circ f.$$

There is a natural isomorphism $\eta_M : M \rightarrow M^{**}$, given by

$$\eta_M(m)(\phi) := \overline{\phi(m)} \quad \text{for } m \in M, \phi \in M^*.$$

Thus, $(\mathcal{A}, *)$ is an additive category with involution.

Ex. $R = R_0[\pi]$ where R_0 is commutative

$$\overline{\cdot} : R \rightarrow R$$

$$g \mapsto g^{-1} \quad \forall g \in \pi$$

Definition 15. Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category with involution. For objects $M, N \in \mathcal{A}$, define a duality isomorphism

$$T_{M,N} : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, N^*) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(N, M^*), \quad \psi \mapsto \psi^* \circ \eta_N.$$

In particular, when $M = N$, we obtain a duality involution

$$T := T_{M,M} : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*), \quad \psi \mapsto \psi^* \circ \eta_M.$$

Definition 16. For $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ and $M \in \mathcal{A}$, define the ε -duality involution

$$T_\varepsilon := \varepsilon T : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*), \quad \psi \mapsto \varepsilon \psi^* \circ \eta_M.$$

Example 17. Let R be an associative ring equipped with a ring involution $(\cdot) : R \rightarrow R$. Let \mathcal{A} be the category of finitely generated, free left R -modules. For any $M, N \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\psi \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, N^*)$, we have $\psi^*(y)(x) = \overline{\psi(x)(y)}$ for all $x \in M, y \in N$. If $M = N$, by writing $\psi(x)(y) =: \langle x, y \rangle \in R$

$$(T_\varepsilon(\psi)(x))(y) = \varepsilon \overline{\langle y, x \rangle},$$

for all $x, y \in M$.

Definition 18. Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category with involution. An ε -quadratic form in \mathcal{A} is a pair (M, ψ) , where $M \in \mathcal{A}$ is an object together with an element

$$\psi \in Q_\varepsilon(M) := \text{coker}(1 - T_\varepsilon : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*)).$$

The form (M, ψ) is said to be *non-singular* if the morphism

$$(1 + T_\varepsilon)\psi = \psi + \varepsilon \psi^* : M \rightarrow M^*$$

is an isomorphism in \mathcal{A} .

Definition 19. A morphism of ε -quadratic forms

$$f : (M, \psi) \rightarrow (M', \psi')$$

is a morphism $f : M \rightarrow M'$ in \mathcal{A} such that

$$f^* \psi' f = \psi \in Q_\varepsilon(M).$$

Definition 33. Let \mathcal{A} be an additive category with involution. An ε -symmetric form in \mathcal{A} is a pair (M, ψ) , where $M \in \mathcal{A}$ is an object together with an element

$$\psi \in Q^\varepsilon(M) := \ker(1 - T_\varepsilon : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(M, M^*)).$$

The form (M, ψ) is said to be *non-singular* if the morphism

$$\psi : M \rightarrow M^*$$

is an isomorphism in \mathcal{A} .

Remark 34. If \mathcal{A} is a category of modules over a ring where 2 is invertible, symmetric and quadratic forms coincide.

Modern terminology is Poincare objects.

Origin is probably Poincare duality.

M manifold \rightarrow chain complex over $R = R_0[\pi]$
with (graded) symmetric form.

framing \rightarrow quadratic refinement

Classify the RHS:

1. Up to Witt equivalences related to surgery.

2. Up to isomorphism classes Hard

3. 2. + coarse-graining.

Coarse-graining: restriction of scalar to $R_0[H]$
with $H \leq \pi$ finite index subgroup.

LHS: Pass to finite cover

Dramatically easier classification.

Also most relevant to me.

Ex. $R = \mathbb{F}_p[x, x^{-1}]$

There are a lot of ^{nonsingular} skew-symmetric forms on free modules. But with coarse-graining it becomes the direct sum of

$$\left(R^2, \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \left(R^2, \begin{pmatrix} & x-1 \\ -x^{-1}+1 & \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Quantum Codes

$R = \mathbb{Z}_n[G]$ or some other Ω

$P = \left(R^{2g}, \begin{pmatrix} & I_g \\ -I_g & \end{pmatrix} \right)$

LCP submodule

with $L^\perp = \left\{ p \in P, w(p, l) = 0 \forall l \in L \right\}$
 $= L$

G -invariant ^{local} commuting Hamiltonian on a Cayley graph of G .

Most commonly $G = \mathbb{Z}^D$ for some D .

- $D=2$: ^{Toric code} All with trivial abelian anyon theories
- $D=3$: Fractons show up.
- $D \geq 4$: Wilder things.

Ex. $R = \mathbb{F}_2[x, x^{-1}, y, y^{-1}]$

$$\sigma_{2D\text{-toric}} = \begin{pmatrix} y + xy & 0 \\ x + xy & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + y \\ 0 & 1 + x \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \bar{x} & 0 \\ 1 + \bar{y} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + y \\ 0 & 1 + x \end{pmatrix}.$$

$P = R^4$ and $L = \text{im } \sigma_{2D\text{-toric}}$
 $Q^0 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$ e and m anyons.

Invariants of Phase

Definition: $Q^i = \text{Ext}_R^{i+1}(P/L, R)$

Q^0 point excitations \sim

Q^i Extended excitations \sim

7.1. 3D \mathbb{Z}_n -toric code. We take $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}^3$ and denote generators of R corresponding to three basis vectors by x, y, z , so that R is a Laurent polynomial ring in three variables x, y, z . 3D toric code is defined by $P = R^6, L = \text{im}(\sigma)$ with

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \bar{x} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 - \bar{y} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 - \bar{z} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z - 1 & y - 1 \\ 0 & z - 1 & 0 & 1 - x \\ 0 & 1 - y & 1 - x & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (68)$$

$$\text{Ext}_R^1(\overline{P/L}, R) \cong \mathbb{Z}_n,$$

$$\text{Ext}_R^2(\overline{P/L}, R) \cong \mathbb{Z}_n,$$

Full Classification in 2+1 D.

Theorem (Haah, Ruba-Y.)

$D=2$. • \mathcal{Q}^0 is finite and $\mathcal{Q}^i=0$ $i \geq 1$

There is a non-singular quadratic form

$$\bullet \theta: \mathcal{Q}^0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}.$$

Moreover, θ is Witt trivial.

(\mathcal{Q}^0, θ) corresponds to the abelian anyon theory the local Hamiltonian is meant to realize on \mathbb{Z}^2 lattice!

Coarse-graining amounts to forgetting the \mathbb{R} -module structure on \mathcal{Q}^0 because \mathcal{Q}^0 is finite.

Theorem 78 (Theorem 8.4.12 in [7]). *There are equivalences of categories:*

$$\{\text{pointed braided fusion categories}\} \longleftrightarrow \{\text{pre-metric groups}\}, \quad (217a)$$

$$\{\text{pointed modular tensor categories}\} \longleftrightarrow \{\text{metric groups}\}. \quad (217b)$$

Modular tensor categories correspond to (2+1)-dimensional topological quantum field theories via the Reshetikhin–Turaev construction [31], which assigns a TQFT to each MTC. Freed and Teleman [8] show that such a TQFT can support a gapped boundary if and only if the underlying MTC is equivalent to the Drinfeld center of a fusion category—that is, when the theory also arises from a Turaev–Viro model [36]. In the case of pointed MTCs, their condition for supporting a gapped boundary translates to the corresponding metric group being metabolic. This criterion has a natural counterpart in abelian Chern–Simons theory, where gapped boundaries correspond to Lagrangian subgroups of the charge lattice, as studied by Kapustin and Saulina [16].

What about higher dimensions $D \geq 3$.

Braiding

Let \hat{R} be the module $R_0[[G]]$

Corollary 9. Let M be a finitely generated R -modules, for all $i \geq 0$, there is a canonical isomorphism

$$\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, \hat{R}) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_R(\mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, R), \hat{R}). \quad (37)$$

In particular,

$$\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, \hat{R}) = 0 \text{ if and only if } \mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, R) = 0. \quad (38)$$

Proof. Let $A = M, B = R$ and $C = \hat{R}$ in the proposition above. Then (38) is deduced from the fact that \hat{R} is a cogenerator. \square

By Corollary 9, \mathbb{Z}_n -duals of charge modules of a stabilizer code described by a Lagrangian $L \subset P$ are given by Tor modules:

$$\mathrm{Tor}_{i+1}^R(P/L, \hat{R}) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_R(Q_L^i, \hat{R}) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}_n}(Q_L^i, \mathbb{Z}_n). \quad (39)$$

Free resolution:

$$\cdots \rightarrow F' \rightarrow P \rightarrow P/L \rightarrow 0$$

• $-\otimes \hat{R}$:

$$\cdots \rightarrow F' \otimes \hat{R} \rightarrow P \otimes \hat{R} \rightarrow 0$$

• $\mathrm{Hom}(_, R)$:

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}(P, R) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}(F', R) \rightarrow \cdots$$

Dualize:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(F', R), \hat{R}) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(P, R), \hat{R}) & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ \cdots & \rightarrow & F' \otimes \hat{R} & \rightarrow & P \otimes \hat{R} & \rightarrow & 0 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(F', R), \hat{R}) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}(P, R), \hat{R}) & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ \cdots & \rightarrow & F' \otimes \hat{R} & \rightarrow & P \otimes \hat{R} & \rightarrow & 0 \end{array}} \right\} \beta$$

β is a quasi-isomorphism.

In other words, $\text{RHom}(P/L, R)$ and $P/L \otimes^L \hat{R}$ are dual.

Fully mobile case (Topological order?)
Fully mobile $\Leftrightarrow Q^i$ finite.

Coarse-graining is forgetting R -module structure

Duality collapse to duality between Q^i and Q^{D-i-2} looking like Poincaré duality.

Aspiration

Stabilizer codes

Manifolds.

Lattice with symmetry.

Fundamental group

Charge modules Q^i

Homology modules

Braiding.

Poincaré duality

Spin Statistics

quadratic refinement

Coarse-graining

Lifting to a finite cover