

# The Shale-Stinespring theorem and topological phases of matter

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# Introduction

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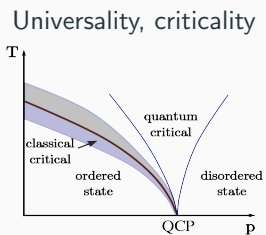
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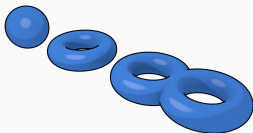
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# Motivation



Topology



# Shale-Stinespring theorem

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The Weyl (or bosonic) algebra



**Canonical commutation relations (CCR):**  $[\hat{q}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar\mathbb{1}$ .

Define operators  $U(a)$  and  $V(b)$ , for  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , acting on wave functions as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(U(a)\psi)(x) &:= \psi(x - \hbar a), \\ (V(b)\psi)(x) &:= e^{-ibx}\psi(x).\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

In terms of  $\hat{q}$  and  $\hat{p}$ , we have:  $U(a) = e^{-ia\hat{p}}$  and  $V(b) = e^{-ib\hat{q}}$ .

$U(a)$  and  $V(b)$  satisfy the following commutation relations (Weyl form):

$$\begin{aligned}U(a_1)U(a_2) &= U(a_1 + a_2), \\ V(b_1)V(b_2) &= V(b_1 + b_2), \\ U(a)V(b) &= e^{i\hbar ab}V(b)U(a).\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

For  $u = (\alpha, \beta) \in T^*\mathbb{R}^n$ , define

$$W(\alpha, \beta) := e^{-i(\alpha\hat{q} + \beta\hat{p})}.$$

These operators satisfy the following identity:

$$W(u)W(v) = e^{-\frac{i}{2}\sigma(u,v)}W(u+v),$$

where  $u$  and  $v$  denote elements of the *symplectic vector space*  $T^*\mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\sigma$  the standard symplectic form.

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### **Theorem (Stone-von Neumann)**

*If  $(V, \sigma)$  finite dimensional, all irreducible representations of the Weyl algebra are unitarily equivalent.*



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In the infinite-dimensional case, the choice of a polarization/complex structure plays an important role for quantum field theory.



# Complex structures

- Consider a real vector space  $V$  with  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(V) = 2n$ .
- Let  $g(\cdot, \cdot)$  be a positive, symmetric bilinear form on  $V$  and  $J$  an *orthogonal complex structure*.
- Use  $J$  to construct a complexification of  $V$ , call it  $V_J (\neq V^{\mathbb{C}})$ .

If we define an inner product in  $V_J$  by

$$\langle u, v \rangle_J := g(u, v) + ig(Ju, v), \quad (5)$$

we obtain a complex Hilbert space  $(V_J, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_J)$  with complex dimension  $n$ .

- The (complex) Clifford algebra  $\mathbb{C}\ell(V)$  acts naturally on the exterior algebra  $\bigwedge^\bullet V^{\mathbb{C}}$ , but the resulting representation is not irreducible.
- But *it is irreducible* on  $\mathcal{F}_J(V) := \bigwedge^\bullet V_J$ .
- As Clifford and CAR algebras are closely related, we also obtain an irreducible representation of  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{CAR}}(V_J, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_J)$ .

In this representation, creation and annihilation operators  $a_J(v)$  and  $a_J^\dagger(v)$  acting on  $\mathcal{F}_J(V)$  are given by:

$$a_J^\dagger(v)(u_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge u_k) = v \wedge u_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge u_k, \quad (6)$$

$$a_J(v)(u_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge u_k) = \sum_{j=1}^k (-1)^{j-1} \langle v, u_j \rangle_J u_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \hat{u}_j \wedge \cdots \wedge u_k,$$

for  $v \in V$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_k \in V_J$ .

Defining

$$\pi_J(v) := a_J^\dagger(v) + a_J(v), \quad (7)$$

we obtain a representation of the (real) Clifford algebra  $\mathcal{Cl}(V)$  on  $\mathcal{F}_J(V)$ .

The vacuum in  $\mathcal{F}_J(V)$  can also be characterized as a gaussian state  $\omega_J$  with a two-point function given by

$$\langle 0_J | a_J(u) a_J^\dagger(v) | 0_J \rangle \equiv \omega_J(a_J(u) a_J^\dagger(v)) = \langle u, v \rangle_J. \quad (8)$$

In fact, this representation can be obtained from  $\omega_J$  (regarded as an algebraic state) through the GNS construction.

## Representations

A most important fact is the possibility (when  $\dim V = \infty$ ) of having inequivalent representations. A very useful characterization of the vacuum state  $|0_J\rangle$  in the  $J$ -induced representation is obtained if we extend all operators from  $V$  to  $V^{\mathbb{C}}$ , as explained below.

The Clifford generators  $\pi_J(v)$ , as well as the creation/annihilation operators  $a_J(v)^\dagger$ ,  $a_J(v)$  can be regarded as real linear maps from  $V$  to  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}_J(V))$ . These can be extended to complex linear maps

$$\tilde{\pi}_J, \tilde{a}_J, \tilde{a}_J^\dagger : V^{\mathbb{C}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}_J(V)), \quad (9)$$

Since the complex structure on  $\mathcal{F}_J(V)$  is determined by  $J$ , we also have (for  $v$  in  $V$ ):

$$a_J^\dagger(Jv) = ia_J^\dagger(v), \quad a_J(Jv) = -ia_J(v). \quad (10)$$

The minus sign can be traced back to equations (5) and (6) above.

Summarizing, we have the following important identities ( $v \in V$ ):

$$\tilde{a}_J^\dagger(iv) = ia_J^\dagger(v) \equiv Ja_J^\dagger(v), \quad \tilde{a}_J(iv) = ia_J(v) \equiv Ja_J(v), \quad (11)$$

$$a_J^\dagger(Jv) = ia_J^\dagger(v) \equiv Ja_J^\dagger(v), \quad a_J(Jv) = -ia_J(v) \equiv -Ja_J(v). \quad (12)$$

Consider the linear extension of  $J$  to  $V^{\mathbb{C}}$  and define

$$P_{\pm J} := \frac{1}{2}(1 \mp iJ), \quad \text{as well as} \quad W_{\pm J} := P_{\pm J}(V^{\mathbb{C}}). \quad (13)$$

Then, using  $\langle\langle w, z \rangle\rangle := 2g_{\mathbb{C}}(\bar{w}, z)$  as the inner product for  $V^{\mathbb{C}}$ , we obtain  $W_{-J} = W_J^{\perp}$ , so that

$$V^{\mathbb{C}} = W_J \oplus W_J^{\perp}. \quad (14)$$

Furthermore, restricting  $\langle\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle\rangle$  to  $W_J$ , we obtain:

$$(V_J, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_J) \cong (W_J, \langle\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle\rangle). \quad (15)$$

### Vacuum condition

It can be shown that the condition

$$\tilde{\pi}_J(u)|0_J\rangle = 0 \iff u \in W_J^{\perp}, \quad (16)$$

provides a full characterization of the vacuum  $|0_J\rangle$ .

# The Shale-Stinespring theorem

## Theorem (Shale-Stinespring)

Let  $J, K$  be two orthogonal complex structures. Then  $\pi_J$  and  $\pi_K$  are unitarily equivalent iff  $J - K$  is Hilbert-Schmidt.

- Any  $h \in O(V, g)$  can be decomposed into linear and antilinear parts:

$$h = p_h + q_h, \quad p_h := \frac{1}{2}(h - JhJ), \quad q_h := \frac{1}{2}(h + JhJ) \quad (17)$$

- $O_J(V) = \{h \in O(V) \mid [J, h] \text{ is Hilbert-Schmidt}\}$
- Equivalence problem = implementability problem = cyclic vector s.t.

$$(a_J(p_h v) + a_J^\dagger(q_h v))\Phi = 0. \quad (18)$$

$$\Phi = u_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge u_n \wedge f_G, \quad (19)$$

with  $f_G$  a *gaussian* and  $n = \dim \ker p_h < \infty$ .

$$(V, g, J), \quad (V_J, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_J)$$

Irreducible representation of  $\mathbb{C}l(V)$  on  $\mathcal{F}_J = \overline{\bigwedge^\bullet V_J}$

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### **Theorem (Shale-Stinespring)**

*Let  $h \in O(V, g)$  and put  $K \equiv hJh^{-1}$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) The Bogoliubov automorphism  $\theta_h$  is unitarily implementable.*
- (ii) The representation  $\pi_J$  and  $\pi_K$  are unitarily equivalent.*
- (iii)  $K - J$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator.*

## The $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -index

Let  $h \in O_J(V)$  and set  $J_h := hJh^{-1}$ . Then, we get an index map

$$\begin{aligned} \text{index} : \mathcal{J} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \\ J_h &\longmapsto (-1)^{\frac{1}{2} \dim \ker(J+J_h)}. \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

We will see below that this is precisely the topological  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -index (Pfaffian invariant) used in condensed matter physics.



# The Kitaev chain

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# Quadratic Hamiltonians

$$H = \sum_{i,j=1}^N \left[ a_i^\dagger A_{ij} a_j + \frac{1}{2} \left( a_i^\dagger B_{ij} a_j^\dagger - a_i \bar{B}_{ij} a_j \right) \right], \quad (21)$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} (a^\dagger, a) \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ -\bar{B} & -\bar{A} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ a^\dagger \end{pmatrix} + \text{constant}. \quad (22)$$

# Bogoliubov transformation

Introduce new operators

$$c_k = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( g_{ki} a_i + h_{ki} a_i^\dagger \right), \quad c_k^\dagger = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{g}_{ki} a_i^\dagger + \bar{h}_{ki} a_i \right), \quad (23)$$

where  $g$  and  $h$  are  $N \times N$  matrices to be chosen so that

(i) The new operators satisfy the same CAR algebra:

$$\{c_k, c_l^\dagger\} = \delta_{kl}, \quad \{c_k, c_l\} = 0 = \{c_k^\dagger, c_l^\dagger\}. \quad (24)$$

(ii) The Hamiltonian becomes *diagonal* in the new basis:

$$H = \sum_k \Lambda_k c_k^\dagger c_k + \text{constant}. \quad (25)$$

the requirement (24) leads to the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} gg^\dagger + hh^\dagger &= \mathbf{1}_N, \\ gh^t + hg^t &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Consistency between the two expressions for  $H$  implies:

$$g_{ki} \Lambda_k = \sum_{j=1}^N (g_{kj} A_{ji} - h_{kj} B_{ji}), \quad h_{ki} \Lambda_k = \sum_{j=1}^N (g_{kj} B_{ji} - h_{kj} A_{ji}). \quad (27)$$

In order to solve this eigenvalue problem, it proves convenient to introduce new matrices  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$ , as follows:

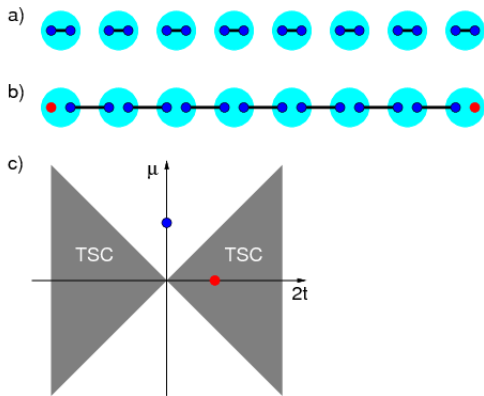
$$\Phi := g + h, \quad \Psi := g - h.$$

If we now define for each  $k$  a vector  $|\Phi_k\rangle$ , the  $i^{th}$  component of which is given by  $\Phi_{ki}$ , and similarly for  $\Psi$ , we find that (27) can be written as follows:

$$(A - B)|\Psi_k\rangle = \Lambda_k|\Phi_k\rangle, \quad (A + B)|\Phi_k\rangle = \Lambda_k|\Psi_k\rangle,$$

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$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N t(a_i^\dagger a_{i+1} + a_{i+1}^\dagger a_i) + \Delta(a_i^\dagger a_{i+1}^\dagger - a_i a_{i+1}) - 2\mu a_i^\dagger a_i. \quad (28)$$



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$$i(h) := \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\ker p_h) = \begin{cases} 0, & \sigma = 1, \\ 1, & \sigma = -1. \end{cases}$$

$$u, v \in V : \quad \langle u, v \rangle_J := g(u, v) + ig(Ju, v), \quad \{a(u), a^\dagger(v)\} = \langle u, v \rangle_J$$

**Initial vacuum:**

$$a(v)|0\rangle = 0, v \in V.$$

**Bogoliubov transformation:**

$$c(v) = a(p_h v) + a^\dagger(q_h v).$$

Solve  $c(v)|\Omega\rangle = 0$  (for all  $v \in V$ )...

**What is  $|\Omega\rangle$ ?**

$$\sigma = 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow |\Omega\rangle = |0\rangle \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad i(h) = 0$$

$$\sigma = -1 \quad \Leftrightarrow |\Omega\rangle = a_1^\dagger|0\rangle \Leftrightarrow \quad i(h) = 1$$

Parity of transformed vacuum gives the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -index

## 2-site Kitaev chain

Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^4$  with  $g_E(\cdot, \cdot)$  the standard Euclidean metric. For  $e_1, \dots, e_4$  the standard basis vectors, introduce the following complex structure:

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (29)$$

Notice that we have  $e_3 = Je_1$  and  $e_4 = Je_2$ . Consider now a two-site Kitaev chain (OBC):

$$H = t(a_1^\dagger a_2 + a_2^\dagger a_1) + \Delta(a_1^\dagger a_2^\dagger - a_1 a_2) - 2\mu(a_1^\dagger a_1 + a_2^\dagger a_2). \quad (30)$$

Introduce now the following parameters:

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\Delta^2 + 4\mu^2}, \quad (31)$$

$$\beta_{\pm} = \sqrt{(\alpha \pm \Delta)/(2\alpha)}, \quad (32)$$

$$\sigma = \text{sgn}(\alpha - t). \quad (33)$$

The Bogoliubov transformation that diagonalizes  $H$  is induced by the orthogonal transformation

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi & 0 \\ 0 & \Psi \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_+ & \beta_- \\ -\beta_- & \beta_+ \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma\beta_- & \sigma\beta_+ \\ -\beta_+ & \beta_- \end{pmatrix}. \quad (34)$$

For the real maps  $p_h, q_h : V \rightarrow V$ , expressed in block form, we find:

$$p_h = \begin{pmatrix} g & 0 \\ 0 & g \end{pmatrix}, \quad q_h = \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 \\ 0 & -f \end{pmatrix}, \quad (35)$$

where  $g = (1/2)(\Phi + \Psi)$  and  $f = (1/2)(\Phi - \Psi)$ .

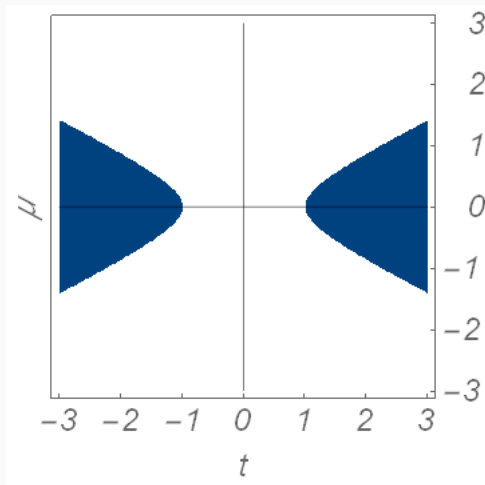
For the orthogonal complex structure we obtain:

$$J_h = hJh^\top = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta^2 + 4\mu^2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2\sigma\mu & \Delta \\ 0 & 0 & -\sigma\Delta & -2\mu \\ 2\sigma\mu & \sigma\Delta & 0 & 0 \\ -\Delta & 2\mu & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (36)$$

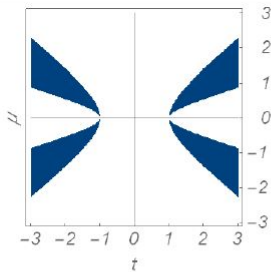
The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -index is given by:

$$\text{index}(h) := (-1)^{\frac{1}{2} \dim \ker(J+J_h)} = \det h = \sigma. \quad (37)$$

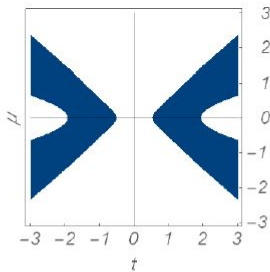
$$t^2 = \Delta^2 + 4\mu^2$$



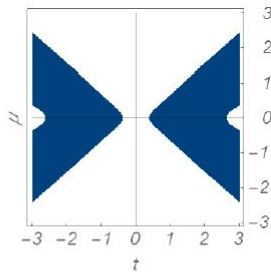




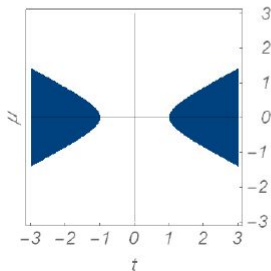
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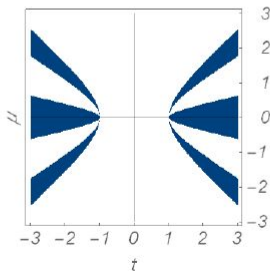
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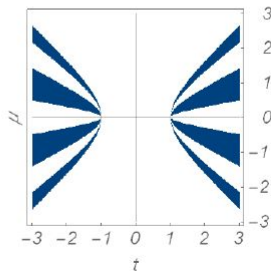
(c)  $N = 4, r = 0.2$



(d)  $N = 2, r = 0$



(e)  $N = 6, r = 0$



(f)  $N = 8, r = 0$

# Classical 2D-Ising model

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## The Quantum-Classical mapping

Thermal expectation values of the classical model in dimension  $d + 1$  correspond to vacuum expectation values of a quantum system in dimension  $d$  (transfer matrix formalism):

$$\langle f \rangle_\beta := \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{O}_{f,\beta}), \quad (38)$$

$f$  is a classical observable,  $\beta = (k_B T)^{-1}$ ,  $\hat{\rho}$  a density matrix and  $\hat{O}_{f,\beta}$  a (quantum) observable associated to  $f$ .

For the 1D-classical Ising model, we have:

$$\langle f \rangle_\beta := Z_\beta^{-1} \sum_{\{s\}} f(s) e^{-\beta H_\Lambda(s)} = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{f}) \quad (39)$$

where  $Z_\beta = \sum_{\{s\}} e^{-\beta H_\Lambda(s)}$ ,  $H_\Lambda(s) = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_\Lambda} s_i s_j$ ,  $J > 0$ , and  $\hat{\rho} = Z^{-1} e^{-\beta \hat{H}_q}$ . The quantum Hamiltonian obtained by this operation is:

$$H_q = -\frac{1}{2\xi} \sigma_x. \quad (40)$$

## Algebraic approach

For  $d=2$ , the mapping gives rise to the 1-dimensional quantum Ising chain:

$$H_\lambda = - \sum_j \sigma_x^j \sigma_x^{j+1} - \lambda \sum_j \sigma_z^j \quad (41)$$

- Using the Jordan-Wigner transformation, we can describe this system by means of a quadratic fermionic Hamiltonian.
- Araki and Matsui have shown (1980s) that the classical phase transition can be characterized in terms of equivalence classes of representations.
- Going through their (very technical) proof, one recognizes that the same index discussed today is present in this case (Tabban, Sequera, AFRL).
- Extension to the quantum-critical region (work in progress).

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## $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action

- An automorphism of  $A$  is an invertible linear map  $\theta : A \rightarrow A$  satisfying

$$\theta(ab) = \theta(a)\theta(b), \quad \theta(a^*) = \theta(a)^* \quad (42)$$

- A  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action on  $A$  is an automorphism  $\theta : A \rightarrow A$  with  $\theta^2 = \mathbb{I}$ . An algebra  $A$  carrying a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action decomposes as:

$$A = A_+ + A_-, \quad A_{\pm} = \{a \in A \mid \theta(a) = \pm a\} \quad (43)$$

Example: Let  $u = H \rightarrow H$  be a unitary operator  $u^2 = 1$ ,  $A = B(H)$ , then

$$\theta(a) = uau^* \quad (44)$$

defines a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  action on  $A$ , so  $A_{\pm} = \{a \in A \mid au \mp ua = 0\}$

## Pauli and Fermionic algebras

- $I_L = [-L, L]$ ,  $L \in \mathbb{Z}_+$
- Pauli Algebra  $A_L^P \simeq \bigotimes_{I_L} M_2$  generated by

$$\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_0 \equiv \mathbb{I} \quad (45)$$

- Fermionic Algebra  $A_L^F \simeq A^{CAR}(l^2(I_L))$  generated by

$$\{a_i, a_j^*\} = \delta_{ij}, \quad \{a_i, a_j\} = 0 = \{a_i^*, a_j^*\} \quad (46)$$

- Let  $\theta$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action such that for  $i \in I_L$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(\sigma_x^i) &= -\sigma_x^i, & \theta(\sigma_y^i) &= -\sigma_y^i, & \theta(\sigma_z^i) &= \sigma_z^i, & A^P &= A_+^P + A_-^P \\ & & & & \theta(a_i) &= -a_i, & A^F &= A_+^F + A_-^F \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

## Jordan-Wigner transformation

The JWT is an isomorphism  $\alpha_L : A_L^P \rightarrow A_L^F$  ( $L < \infty$ )

$$\sigma_x^j = TS_j(a_j + a_j^*), \quad \sigma_y^j = iTS_j(a_j - a_j^*), \quad \sigma_z^j = 1 - 2a_j^*a_j \quad (48)$$

where  $T = \prod_{k=-L}^0 \sigma_z^k$  and  $TS_j = \prod_{k=-L}^{j-1} \sigma_z^k$ . Since the tail  $T$  depends on  $L$ , the diagram is not commutative

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_L^P & \xrightarrow{\alpha_L} & A_L^F \\ \cap & & \cap \\ A_{L+1}^P & \xrightarrow{\alpha_{L+1}} & A_{L+1}^F \end{array} \quad (49)$$

$A_{L+}^P$  is generated by  $\sigma_z^i$  and  $\sigma_x^j \sigma_x^{j+1}$ , since  $T^2 = 1$ , the restriction of  $\alpha_L$  to the even subalgebra is not  $L$ -dependent, so  $\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_L|_{A_{L+}^P}$  gives an isomorphism of  $A_{+}^P$  with  $A_{+}^F$ .



## Local observables and ground state

- Hilbert space by site  $H = \mathbb{C}^2$
- $H(\Lambda) = \bigotimes_{x \in \Lambda} H_x$ ,  $(\dim H(\Lambda)) = (\dim H)^{|\Lambda|}$
- Local observables  $A(\Lambda) = B(H(\Lambda))$ ,  $\Lambda \subset \Lambda' \Rightarrow A(\Lambda) \hookrightarrow A(\Lambda')$
- Heisenberg equation:

$$\frac{da(t)}{dt} = i[H_\Lambda, a(t)] \quad (50)$$

Setting  $t = 0$ , this defines a derivation

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\Lambda : A(\Lambda) &\rightarrow A(\Lambda) \\ a &\mapsto \delta_\Lambda(a) = i[H_\Lambda, a] \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

- For each  $a \in A(\Lambda)$ ,  $\delta(a) = i \lim_{\Lambda \uparrow \mathbb{Z}^d} [H_\Lambda, a]$  exists.
- A ground state is a state  $\omega_0 : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$-i\omega_0(a^* \delta(a)) \geq 0, \quad \forall a \in A \quad (52)$$

- An even state on  $A^P$  or  $A^F$  is one which is invariant under  $\theta$ .

- Let  $\omega : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a state on a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$ . There exists a cyclic representation  $\pi_\omega$  of  $A$  on a Hilbert space  $H_\omega$  with cyclic unit vector  $\Omega_\omega$  such that

$$\omega(a) = \langle \Omega_\omega, \pi_\omega(a)\Omega_\omega \rangle, \quad \forall a \in A \quad (53)$$

- The GNS representation  $\pi_\omega(A)$  is irreducible iff  $\omega$  is pure.
- Let  $(H_\omega, \pi_\omega, \Omega_\omega)$  be the GNS triple of  $\omega : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , due to  $\theta$ -invariance of  $\omega$

$$H_\omega = H_+ \oplus H_-, \quad H_\pm = \overline{\pi_\omega(A_\pm)\Omega_\omega} \quad (54)$$

- Suppose  $A$  carries a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action  $\theta$  and consider a state  $\omega : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  that is  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -invariant in the sense that  $\omega(\theta(a)) = \omega(a)$  for all  $a \in A$ . We write this as  $\theta^*\omega = \omega$ , with  $\theta^*\omega := \omega \circ \theta$ . Then there is a unitary operator  $u : H_\omega \rightarrow H_\omega$  satisfying  $u^2 = 1$ ,  $u\Omega = \Omega$  and  $u\pi_\omega(a)u^* = \pi_\omega(\theta(a))$  for each  $a \in A$ .
- A symmetry  $\theta : A \rightarrow A$  is implementable in an Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  iff there is an unitary operator  $U$  such that:

$$U\pi(a)U^* = \pi(\theta a), \quad \forall a \in A \quad (55)$$

Consider the fermionic algebra  $A = \text{Span}\{a^*, a, a^*a, \mathbb{I}\} \cong M_2(\mathbb{C})$ , in terms of Pauli matrices  $\sigma_{\pm} = \sigma_x \pm i\sigma_y$ ,  $a = \sigma_-$ ,  $a^* = \sigma_+$ . The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  action can be implemented by the unitary  $\sigma_z$ , so  $A_+ = \text{Span}\{a^*a, \mathbb{I}\}$  and  $A_- = \text{Span}\{a^*, a\}$ , then:

$$A_+ = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} z_+ & 0 \\ 0 & z_- \end{pmatrix}, z_{\pm} \in \mathbb{C} \right\}; \quad A_- = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & z_1 \\ z_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C} \right\} \quad (56)$$

- $\Omega = (1, 0)$ ,  $\omega(a) := \langle \Omega, a\Omega \rangle$ ,  $\sigma_z\Omega = \Omega$ .
- $\pi_{\omega}(A)$  is the defining representations of  $M_2(\mathbb{C})$  on  $H_{\omega} = \mathbb{C}^2$ ,  $\Omega_{\omega} = \Omega$ .
- $H_+ = \{(z, 0), z \in \mathbb{C}\}$  and  $H_- = \{(0, z), z \in \mathbb{C}\}$ .
- Let  $\pi_{\pm}$  be the restriction of  $\pi_{\omega}(A_{\pm})$  to  $H_{\pm}$

$$\pi_{\pm} \begin{pmatrix} z_+ & 0 \\ 0 & z_- \end{pmatrix} = z_{\pm} \quad (57)$$

## Theorem

Suppose  $A$  carries a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action  $\theta$  as well as a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -invariant state  $\omega : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Suppose the representation  $\pi_+(A_+)$  on  $H_+$  is irreducible. Then also the representation  $\pi_-(A_+)$  on  $H_-$  is irreducible, and there are the following two possibilities for the representation  $\pi_\omega(A)$  on  $H = H_+ \oplus H_-$

- $\pi_\omega(A)$  is irreducible (and hence  $\omega$  is pure) iff  $\pi_\pm(A_+)$  are inequivalent;
- $\pi_\omega(A)$  is reducible (and hence  $\omega$  is mixed) iff  $\pi_\pm(A_+)$  are equivalent.

# Self-dual formalism

Diagonalization of quadratic Hamiltonians:

- $K = H \oplus H$
- We have two conjugations:  $S : H \rightarrow H$ ,  $S^* = S$ ,  $S^2 = 1$  and  $\Gamma : K \rightarrow K$
- $B(h) = a^*(f) + a(Sg)$
- $B^*(h) = B(h)^* = B(\Gamma h)$

## Theorem

*There is a bijective correspondence between basis projections  $P : K \rightarrow K$  ( $\Gamma P \Gamma = 1 - P$ ) and states  $\omega_P$  on  $A^F$  that satisfy*

$$\omega_P(B(h)^* B(h)) = \langle h | Ph \rangle, \quad \forall h \in K \quad (58)$$

*Such a state (quasi-free)  $\omega_P$  is pure (so that the corresponding GNS representation  $\pi_P$  is irreducible).*

$$H_\lambda = - \sum_j \sigma_x^j \sigma_x^{j+1} - \lambda \sum_j \sigma_z^j, \quad (59)$$

- For each  $|\lambda| \neq 1$  we have  $\pi_{\omega_0^F}(A^F) \cong \pi_{\theta_-^* \omega_0^F}(A^F)$  which implies, the ground state  $\omega_0^P$  is pure on  $A^P$ .
- Let  $W_- : K \rightarrow K$  be the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action on  $K$  defining the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action  $\theta_-$  on  $A^F$  and let  $E_+$  be the projection onto the positive energy space for  $H_{SD}$  in  $K$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{\omega_0^F} &= \pi_{E_+} \\ \pi_{\theta_-^* \omega_0^F} &= \pi_{W_- E_+ W_-} \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

## Theorem (Araki-Matsui)

The unique  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -invariant ground state  $\omega_0$  of the Hamiltonian of the Ising model is pure (and hence forms the unique ground state) iff both of the following hold

1.  $E_+ - W_- E_+ W_- \in B_2(K)$ ;
2.  $\dim(E_+ K \cap (1 - W_- E_+ W_-)K)$  is even

- $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -index between two basis projections  $E_1, E_2$

$$\sigma(E_1, E_2) = (-1)^{\dim E_1 \cap (1 - E_2)} \quad (61)$$

- For the Ising model

$$\sigma(E_+, (1 - W_- E_+ W_-)) = \begin{cases} +1, & |\lambda| \geq 1 \quad \omega_0 \text{ is pure} \\ -1, & |\lambda| < 1 \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\omega_0^+ + \omega_0^-) \end{cases} \quad (62)$$

where  $\omega_0^\pm$  are pure and transform under the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action  $\theta$  as  $\omega_0^\pm \circ \theta = \omega_0^\mp$