

# KNOTS AND QUANTUM MECHANICS (III)

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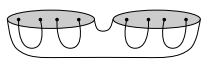
1. Entanglement classification
2. Entropy inequalities
3. Quantum teleportation

# Entanglement Classification




## Preliminary classification

We already saw that topology distinguishes different types of entanglement:

- separable states


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 $= |0\rangle|0\rangle$

- Maximally entangled states


or

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 $= |0\rangle|0\rangle + |1\rangle|1\rangle$

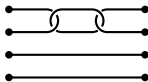
- Less entangled states (non-unitary matrices)


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# Entanglement Classification

## Classification

There is a discrete infinite number of topologies that can represent different types of entanglement



- **Conceptual Problem 1:** In Quantum Resource Theory one is more interested in a finite classification: States from different classes are suitable for different quantum tasks
- **Conceptual Problem 2:** Can one produce a complete classification?
- **Technical Problem:** For finite integer  $k$  not all the diagrams are independent, some topologies are equivalent

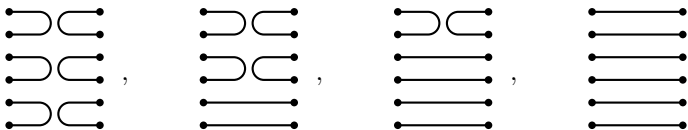
What is the best way to coarse-grain the topological classification?

# Entanglement Classification

## Connectivity

- A simple way to characterize wiring is through connectivity, that is by telling what is connected to what
- The classes of connectivity can be defined by corresponding (adjacency matrices of) graphs

In the case of bipartition the simplest representatives of the connectivity classes are planar graphs

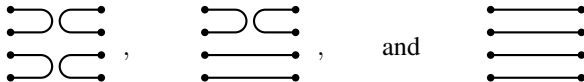


All the planar diagrams modulo local braiding

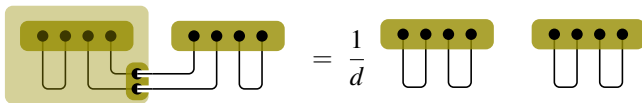
# Entanglement Classification

Pair of qubits

For a pair of  $S^2$  with four punctures the only planar diagrams modulo local action are



- The first state is separable and the last one is maximally entangled
- The middle state is the same as the first one (two lines not enough to support entanglement)

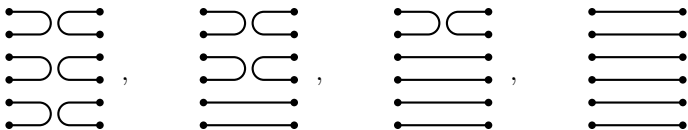


There are only two nonequivalent classes of diagrams

# Entanglement Classification

Bipartite entanglement beyond qubits

A pair of spheres with six punctures have dimension  $C_3 = 5$



But there are only three independent planar connectomes

- This generalization is not easily extendable to arbitrary qudits
- How can we generalize systematically?

# Entanglement Classification

Jones-Wenzl projectors

The space of spin  $j$  representation has dimension  $2j + 1$

- There are  $2j + 1$  ways of making a singlet out of  $4$  spins  $j$ .

It will be convenient to construct spin  $j$  as  $2j$  spins  $1/2$ . Note that

$\bigcap \bigcup$  is a projector on a singlet

For spin  $j = n/2 + 1$  one can use (thick line =  $n$  normal ones)

$$\begin{array}{c} n \\ \text{Diagram: } n \text{ lines entering a box from the top and } n \text{ lines exiting from the bottom} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} n \\ \text{Diagram: } n \text{ lines entering a box from the top and } n \text{ lines exiting from the bottom, followed by a vertical line} \end{array} - \frac{\Delta_n}{\Delta_{n+1}} \begin{array}{c} n \\ \text{Diagram: } n \text{ lines entering a box from the top, } n \text{ lines exiting from the bottom, and two additional lines forming a loop} \end{array}$$

$$\Delta_{-1} = 0, \quad \Delta_0 = 1, \quad \Delta_{n+1} = d\Delta_n - \Delta_{n-1}$$



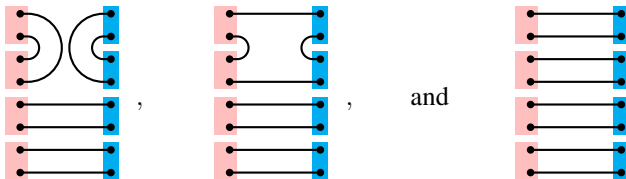
# Entanglement Classification

## Qutrit entanglement

Use Jones-Wenzl projectors joining pairs of lines into spin  $j = 1$

$$\text{blue box} = \left| \begin{array}{c} | \\ | \end{array} \right| - \frac{1}{d} \begin{array}{c} \cup \\ \cap \end{array}$$

Find all independent diagrams modulo local braiding:



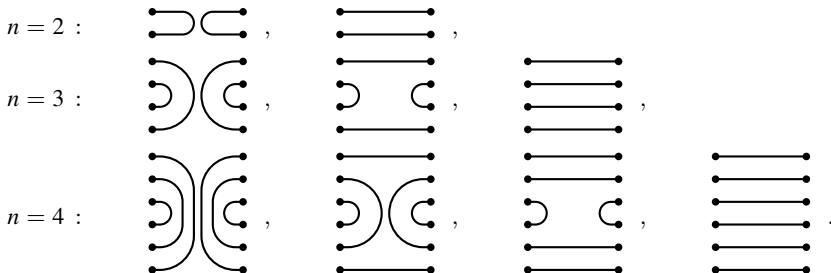
- Diagrams with more broken connections are equivalent to the first one
- For classification it is enough to consider only half of the punctures

# Entanglement Classification

## General bipartite entanglement

One can generalize the diagrammatic classification to  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}_n \otimes \mathbb{C}_m$

- For  $n = m$  the set of diagrams is  $(2n - 2)$  points for  $\mathbb{C}^n$



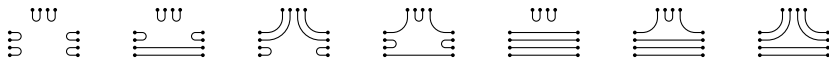
- For  $n \neq m$  one adds points to one of the sides

# Entanglement Classification

## Tripartition

For the bipartite case the simple classification gives a very intuitive picture of entanglement

- For the tripartite case (qubits) the same classification should give



There are only 3 nonequivalent classes. The genuine tripartite entanglement

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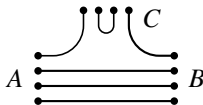
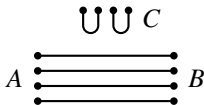
is of GHZ type. No obvious W state (e.g.  $|001\rangle + |010\rangle + |100\rangle$ )

# Properties of Entanglement

## Monogamy

- Entanglement is a resource that can be shared between different systems
- In the TQFT approach the resource are the Wilson lines

Monogamy of entanglement means that a state that is maximally entangled with a second state cannot be entangled with any other state



# Properties of Entanglement

Entropy of the connectome states

Let us focus on the simple class of projector states

- For the maximally entangled state the entropy is given by the dimension of the Hilbert space



- This Hilbert space is that of a sphere that dissects the state
- One can repeat the replica trick derivation for other connectomes

$$\rho \sim \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \end{array} \sim \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \end{array} \sim \rho^2 \quad \text{Tr } \rho = d \cdot \text{Tr} \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \end{array} \right)$$

The diagram illustrates the replica trick derivation. It shows a density matrix  $\rho$  represented by four horizontal lines with a vertical dashed blue line labeled  $S^2$ . This is followed by a tilde symbol, then a diagram of four horizontal lines with two pairs of arcs connecting the first and second lines, and the third and fourth lines. This is followed by another tilde symbol, then  $\rho^2$ . To the right of this is an equation:  $\text{Tr } \rho = d \cdot \text{Tr} \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \end{array} \right)$ , where the diagram inside the parentheses consists of two horizontal lines with dots at their ends.

- The entropy is given by  $S^2$  cutting the minimum number of lines

# Properties of Entanglement

## Line counting

- For the connectome states the entropy is given by  $\log(\dim \mathcal{H}_{\min})$
- $\mathcal{H}_{\min}$  is the Hilbert space of  $S^2$  with the minimal number of punctures, cutting the state into two
- For  $k \gg n \gg 1$

$$\dim \mathcal{H}_{2n} = \frac{(2n)!}{(n+1)!n!} \simeq \frac{4^n}{n^{3/2}\sqrt{\pi}}, \quad S_E \simeq 2n \log 2$$

$\log 2$  of entropy per line

Instead of entropy one can measure entanglement by the number of lines

# Properties of Entanglement

## Subadditivity

Let us prove some of the characteristic equalities by line counting

- Subadditivity

$$S(AB) \leq S(A) + S(B)$$

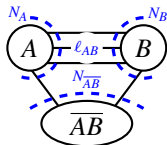
Denote

- $\overline{AB}$  – the complement of  $AB$
- $N_A$  and  $N_B$  – the numbers of lines that emanate from  $A$  and  $B$
- $\ell_{AB}$  – the number of lines connecting  $A$  and  $B$
- $N_{\overline{AB}}$  is the number of lines connecting both  $A$  and  $B$  to  $\overline{AB}$

Then

$$N_A + N_B = N_{\overline{AB}} + 2\ell_{AB} \geq N_{\overline{AB}}$$

$\ell_{AB}$  is mutual information  $I(AB) = S(A) + S(B) - S(AB)$



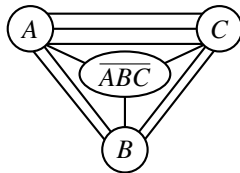
# Properties of Entanglement

## Strong subadditivity

$$S(\rho_{ABC}) + S(\rho_B) \leq S(\rho_{AB}) + S(\rho_{BC})$$

Denote

- $N_{\overline{ABC}}$  – total number of lines that connect  $A$ ,  $B$  or  $C$  with  $\overline{ABC}$
- $N_{\overline{AB}}$  and  $N_{\overline{BC}}$  – number of lines connecting the unions with their complements
- $N_B$  – number of lines emanating from  $B$
- $\ell_{AC}$  – number of lines connecting  $A$  and  $C$



Then

$$N_{\overline{ABC}} = N_{\overline{AB}} + N_{\overline{BC}} - 2\ell_{AC} - N_B \leq N_{\overline{AB}} + N_{\overline{BC}} - N_B$$



# Emergence of Spacetime

Classical limit

In Chern-Simons  $k \rightarrow \infty$  corresponds to the classical limit

$$A \rightarrow 1, \quad \text{X} = \text{= } + \text{ } \cup \cap$$

Braiding  $\rightarrow$  permutations (no knots). All states are simple connectomes

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \end{array} \rightarrow |00\rangle \quad \begin{array}{c} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \end{array} \rightarrow |00\rangle + |11\rangle$$

Large  $k$  behavior of the entropy (minimal area and corrections)

$$S = \frac{\pi^4}{k^4} \left( 1 - \log \frac{\pi^4}{k^4} \right) + O(k^{-5})$$

$$S = \log 2 - \frac{8\pi^4}{k^4} + O(k^{-5})$$

# Emergence of Spacetime

Classical and quantum topologies

Connectome states are similar to classical geometries in holography

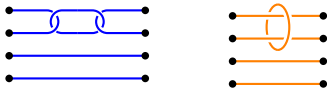
- We can label them *classical topologies*

*Quantum topologies* are linear combinations of the classical ones:

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Defects contribute to the relative weight of the disconnected topologies

Emergence of space?



Connection to (Loop) Quantum Gravity

# Emergence of Spacetime

## AdS/CFT



- Quantum gravity (string theory) in AdS space is equivalent to a CFT at the boundary of AdS

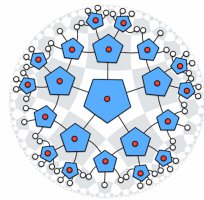
This equivalence can be understood in the sense of state-cobordism correspondence:

- Topology of the space glued to the boundary encodes a quantum state

The analogy can be made even more precise if one recalls that gravity in  $\text{AdS}_3$  can be cast as  $SL(2, R) \times SL(2, R)$  Chern-Simons theory

**Classical gravity limit:**

$$G_N \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{L^{d-2}}{G_N} \gg 1$$



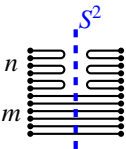
# Emergence of Spacetime

Ryu-Takayanagi formula

For two regions  $A$  and  $B$  on the AdS boundary the entanglement entropy is

$$S_A = S_B = \min_{\gamma_{AB}} \frac{\text{Area}[\gamma_{AB}]}{4G_N}$$

Recall that for the projector states the entropy is defined by the number of connections:



$$|\Psi\rangle = \quad n \quad m \quad S^2 \quad S_A = S_B = m \log 2.$$

valid for  $k \gg m \gg 1$

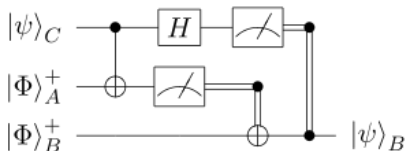
- One can assume that each line is a flux with area  $4G_N \log 2$

# Quantum Protocols

## Quantum teleportation

[Bennett et al.'93]

Alice has an unspecified quantum state which she wants to pass to Bob. They share an entangled pair:

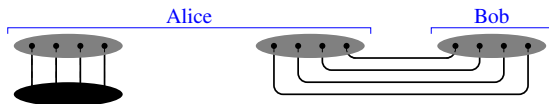


- Alice applies an entangling transformation on her pair of states
- She measures the result and reports it to Bob via a classical channel
- Depending on the result of the measurement Bob recovers the original state by an appropriate unitary

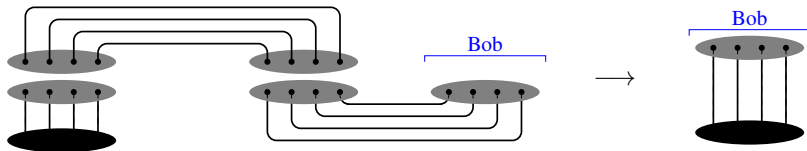
# Quantum Protocols

## Teleportation in TQFT

Consider the teleportation setup in a topological context



Teleporting the state to Bob means

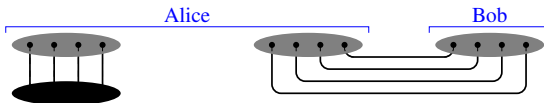


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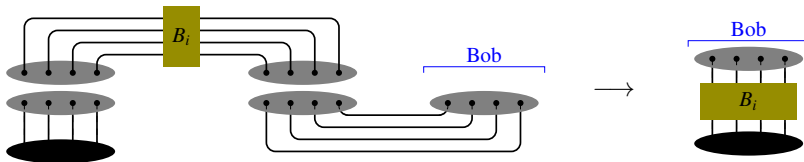
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[Coecke][Kauffman][DM]

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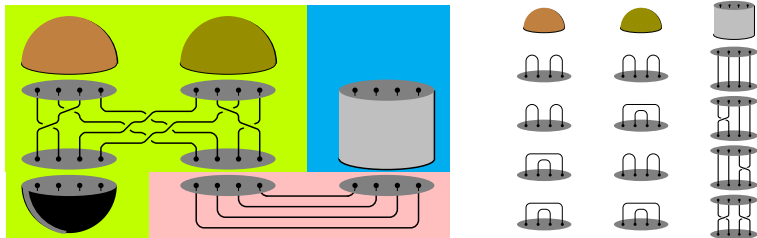
Teleporting the state to Bob means



# Quantum Protocols

## Classical version

Principle of the quantum algorithm can be illustrated by a classical diagram



This is not a proper quantum algorithm

- Here projectors are involved (stochastic algorithm)
- The projector basis is not orthogonal



# Conclusions

- TQFT offers a way to visualize quantum mechanics in terms of space diagrams
- Knot theory provides calculational tools for this presentation of quantum mechanics
- We mainly focused on quantum entanglement and showed how some of its properties can be illustrated by the topological approach
- Perhaps such approach can be applied to quantum gravity and quantum computation (at least for educational purposes)