

Lattice Methods, TQFTs, and Symmetries

Report of Contributions

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Hsin - Automorphism is All You Need: Transversal Non-Clifford Gates in 2+1D and Higher Symmetries from Automorphism

Monday, 9 March 2026 12:00 (1 hour)

We study automorphism in twisted gauge theories and discover they can give rise to generalized symmetries such as higher group and/or non-invertible symmetries. Using the automorphism symmetry, we discover transversal non-Clifford logical gates such as T gate in Clifford stabilizer models in 2+1D as well as CCZ gate in 5+1D self correcting non-Abelian quantum memory. The talk is based on arXiv:2511.02900 with Ryohei Kobayashi (Institute for Advanced Study) and Guanyu Zhu (IBM)

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Moroz - Spontaneously Broken Non-Invertible Symmetries in Transverse-Field Ising Qudit Chains - 1

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Recent developments have revealed that symmetries need not form a group, but instead can be non-invertible. In these lectures I will use analytical arguments and numerical evidence to illuminate how spontaneous symmetry breaking of a non-invertible symmetry is similar yet distinct from ordinary symmetry breaking. I will consider one-dimensional chains of group-valued qudits, whose local Hilbert space is spanned by elements of a finite group G (reducing to ordinary qubits when $G=\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$). I will construct Ising-type transverse-field Hamiltonians with $\text{Rep}(G)$ symmetry whose generators multiply according to the tensor product of irreducible representations (irreps) of the group G . For non-Abelian G , the symmetry is non-invertible. In the symmetry broken phase there is one ground state per irrep on a closed chain. The symmetry breaking can be detected by local order parameters but, unlike the invertible case, different ground states have distinct entanglement patterns. I will show that for each irrep of dimension greater than one the corresponding ground state exhibits string order, entanglement spectrum degeneracies, and has gapless edge modes on an open chain – features usually associated with symmetry-protected topological order. Consequently, domain wall excitations behave as one-dimensional non-Abelian anyons with non-trivial internal Hilbert spaces and fusion rules. If time permits, I will discuss how these phenomena can be probed on existing quantum hardware and the new questions they raise for quantum computing.

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In these lectures, I focus on two-dimensional topological codes and fault-tolerant protocols implemented by circuits composed of 2D local gates. Representing these protocols as tensor networks local in a 3D spacetime lattice leads to a useful viewpoint. We identify a topological QEC circuit with an imaginary-time topological path integral of a topological gauge theory. Within this picture, both physical errors and non-trivial measurement outcomes appear as certain defects in the path integral. Their combinatorial structure defines the associated classical decoding problem.

In the first part, I introduce the necessary foundations from cellular (co)homology and explain how they give rise to a topological path integral that can be compiled into a 2D local circuit together with a (global) classical decoder.

In the second part, I discuss recent work in which we construct a universal logical gate set for 2D topological codes using the path integral of a non-Abelian twisted quantum double. During the computation, information is transported from an Abelian phase, such as the toric code, into the twisted quantum double via topological domain walls, and back.

The path-integral perspective provides a flexible framework to construct QEC circuits that realize the necessary domain walls and other condensation defects that define the logic gate in spacetime and argue about their fault-tolerance properties.

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Warman - Clifford-Hierarchy Gates from Group Quantum Doubles

Wednesday, 11 March 2026 11:00 (1 hour)

A critical mission for realizing large-scale quantum computing is the development of simple and resource-efficient implementations of logical non-Clifford gates. This talk discusses how novel protocols for their implementation can be obtained from topological field theory.

In the first part, based on arXiv:2510.20890, we present hybrid lattice surgery between Abelian and non-Abelian codes and show how it enables non-Clifford operations in the Z_2 surface code, including magic states and non-Clifford gates.

In the second part, based on arXiv:2512.13777, we construct transversal phase gates at arbitrary levels of the Clifford hierarchy purely in 2D, by encoding a logical qubit in the quantum double of a non-Abelian group on a triangular spatial patch and stacking a symmetry-protected topological (SPT) phase onto the spatial region. This construction remains purely 2D and preserves locality and fault tolerance.

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Omori - Symmetry Spans and Enforced Gaplessness - 1

Wednesday, 11 March 2026 12:00 (1 hour)

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In the first introductory part, I explain the classification of symmetric gapped phases as module categories and the restriction of symmetries as pullbacks of module categories. In the second part, I present the span criterion and explicit examples in 1+1d CFTs and lattice spin chains. Notably, this mechanism operates with discrete symmetries and continuous symmetries without anomalies, both of which admit well-understood lattice realizations. Based on joint work with Takamasa Ando [arXiv:2602.11696].

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Putrov - TBA

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Michele Fossati - TBA

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