Curve diagrams, two dimensional quantum processes and quantum computing

Zhenghan Wang Microsoft Station Q UC Santa Barbara Atiyah's Axioms of (2+1)-TQFT (TQFT w/o excitation and anomaly)

A functor (V, Z): cat of surfaces  $\rightarrow$  Vect

Oriented closed surface  $Y \rightarrow$  vector space V(Y) Oriented 3-mfd X with  $\partial X=Y \rightarrow$  vector Z(X) $\in$  V( $\partial X$ )

- V(∅) ≅
- $V(Y_1 \sqcup Y_2) \cong V(Y_1) \otimes V(Y_2)$
- $V(-Y) \cong V^*(Y)$
- $Z(Y \times I) = Id_{V(Y)}$
- $Z(X_1 \cup_Y X_2) = Z(X_1) \cdot Z(X_2)$

## Chern-Simons (CS) TQFTs

Using path integral (Witten) or quantum groups (Reshetikhin-Turaev), for each level k

$$Z_k(X^3) = \int_{\mathcal{A}} e^{2\pi i k \operatorname{cs}(A)} DA$$

#### What is V<sub>k</sub>(Y)? a typical vector looks like a 3-mfd X s.t. ∂ X=Y ( M. Atiyah, G. Segal, V. Turaev, K. Walker,...)

Reshetikhin-Turaev (R-T) or physically Witten-CS TQFTs do not satisfy the last axiom due to framing anomaly. Gluing of 3-manifolds along boundaries does NOT correspond to the composition of linear maps, only up to a scalar. Hence reps of mapping class groups are in general NOT linear, only projective.

But the Turaev-Viro (T-V) type TQFTs e.g. the diagram TQFTs are such examples.

#### **Quantum Chern-Simons Theory**

#### Topology Algebra

4-dim $W^4$ signature  $\in$  Z3-dimX<sup>3</sup>invariant  $\in$  C2-dimY<sup>2</sup>vector space  $\in$  Category1-dimS<sup>1</sup>category  $\in$  2-category0-dimpt3-category or Lurie ?

## **Example of Diagrams TQFTs**

#### Z<sub>2</sub>-homology TQFT

#### Closed surface Y, $V(Y)=C[H_1(Y;Z_2)]$

Closed 3-manifold X,  $V(X)=2^{b_{-1}(X)-1}$ 

#### Z<sub>2</sub>-homology TQFT Closed surface Y, V(Y)=S(Y)/~ S(Y)=linear span of simple closed curves =formal multicurves



isotopy and d=1

Formal=finite linear combination

Multicurve=simple closed curve, i.e., a collection of disjoint simple closed loops

#### (2+1)-Picture TQFTs

Given an oriented closed surface Y and  $d \in C \{0\}$ ,

S(Y)=vector space generated by pictures in Y, e.g. multicurves, oriented multicurves, trivalent graphs, oriented trivalent graphs with colors

#### Let V(Y) be S(Y) modulo

- 1. d-isotopy (isotopy+trivial loop=d)
- 2. a local relation (a relative formal picture supported on the disk)

#### **Some Local Relations**

Fix 2n points on the boundary of the disk, and D<sub>i</sub>=n disjoint arcs connecting the 2n points, i=1,2,..., Catalan number

A local relation is a formal equation

#### $\sum_{i} \lambda_{i} \cdot \mathbf{D}_{i} = \mathbf{0}.$

Quotient of S(Y) by a local relation: any vector in S(Y), if restricted to some topological disk=the local relation, is set to 0.

#### Jones-Wenzl projectors p

 $P_2 = \begin{vmatrix} -\frac{1}{d} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{d} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ ,  $P_2$  generates a proper radical for d = 1, -1;

$$P_{3} = \left| \begin{array}{c} \left| \right| + \frac{1}{d^{2} - 1} \left( \begin{array}{c} \bigcup \\ \bigcap \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \bigcup \\ \bigcap \end{array} \right) - \frac{d}{d^{2} - 1} \left( \begin{array}{c} \bigcup \\ \bigcap \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \bigcup \\ \bigcap \end{array} \right) \right|$$

 $p_3$  generates a proprer radical for  $d = \pm \sqrt{2}$  , and d = 0;

$$+\frac{d^{2}}{d^{4}-3d^{2}+2} \quad \bigcirc \bigcup \\ \cap \bigcap \\ -\frac{d}{d^{4}-3d^{2}+2} \quad (\bigcirc \bigcup \\ \cap \\ -\frac{d}{d^{4}-3d^{2}+2} \quad (\bigcirc \bigcup \\ \cap \\ -\frac{d}{d^{4}-3d^{2}+2} \quad (\bigcirc \\ -\frac{d}{d^{4}-3d^{2}+2$$

# Diagram (2+1)-TQFTs

Fix a level k=r-2  $\geq 1$ , p<sub>k+1</sub>=0 as the local relation for a primitive 2r<sup>th</sup> root of unity A, and d=-A<sup>2</sup>-A<sup>-2</sup> V<sup>diag</sup>(Y)=S(Y)/~ is the modular functor space.

- Thm: 1. Diagram TQFTs are T-V type TQFTS defined intrinsically, i.e., without using triangulations.
  - Diagram TQFTs are quantum double or Drinfeld centers of the Jones-Kauffman TQFTs (Walker, Turaev)
  - 3. Jones-Wenzl projectors are unique essentially.

# Jones-Kauffman (J-K) TQFTs

- They are NOT the same as the R-T SU(2) TQFTs, though closely related.
  Perhaps should not be regarded as the math realization of Witten-CS SU(2)-TQFTs.
- They are not anomaly-free, so are not picture TQFTs. Surfaces and 3-manifolds need to be endowed with extra structures such as Lagrangian subspaces and 2-framings, respectively.

# **Skein Spaces**

Let A be a primitive 4r<sup>th</sup> root of unity, X be an oriented closed 3-manifold, S(X) be the vector space of formal framed links.

Set  $K_A(X)=S(X)/\sim$ , where ~

- 1. Regular d-isotopy of framed links, d=-A<sup>2</sup>-A<sup>-2</sup>
- 2. Kauffman bracket
- 3. Jones-Wenzl projectors p<sub>r-1</sub>=0

All three relations are used inside a 3-ball.

## Kauffman Bracket

#### Theorem: $K_A(X) \cong C$ , but not canonically.

Overstrand counterclockwise rotated to the understrand, smooth two sweptout regions---A, other two---A<sup>-1</sup>, independent of orientation



# J-K Modular functor $V_A(Y)$

Let Y be an oriented closed surface, and X be an oriented 3-manifold such that  $\partial$  X=Y.

Set  $V_A(Y;X) = K_A(X)$ 

Thm: dim  $V_A(Y;X)$  is independent of X, but no canonical identification of  $V_A(Y;X)$ 's.

## **Extended Surfaces**

- An extension of an oriented closed surface Y is a choice of a Lagrangian subspace λ of H<sub>1</sub>(Y;R)
- Given an extended surface (Y;λ), choose an oriented 3-mfd X such that ker (H₁(Y;R)→H₁(X;R))=λ,

Thm:  $V_A(Y;X)$  can be canonically identified. Denoted it as  $V_A(Y;\lambda)$ 

## Projective Reps of MCGs

Oriented closed surface Y,

f:  $Y \rightarrow Y$  orientation preserving diffeo.,

its mapping cylinder M<sub>f</sub> gives rise to

 $V_{A}(f): V_{A}(Y) \rightarrow V_{A}(Y)$ 

since  $\partial M_f = -Y \sqcup Y$ , hence

 $Z(M_f) \in V_A(-Y \sqcup Y)$ 

 $\cong V^*{}_A(Y) {\otimes} V_A(Y) \cong Hom(V_A(Y), V_A(Y))$ 

#### Jones-Kauffman and Diagram TQFTs

- Thm: Let Y be an oriented closed surface, and A<sup>4r</sup>=1 primitive root of unity, d=-A<sup>2</sup>-A<sup>-2</sup>
  - then: 1.  $K_A(Y \times I)=V^{diag}(Y)$ 
    - 2.  $K_A(Y \times I) = End(V_A(Y))$

# Diagram TQFTs

- Given a spherical tensor category *C*, there is a procedure to construct a T-V type TQFT using triangulations. But the known literature seems inadequate.
- The intrinsic diagram approach generalizes using colored trivalent graphs.
- Theorem: T-V type TQFTs are well-defined for unimodal ribbon fusion categories (Turaev)
- Theorem: Drinfeld center Z(*C*) or quantum double of a spherical category *C* is modular (M. Mueger)
- Conjecture: R-T TQFT from Drinfeld center Z(*C*) is the same as T-V from *C*.

## Asymptotic Faithfulness

Thm: Any infinite direct sum of Jones Kauffman TQFT representations faithfully represents the mapping class groups of oriented closed surfaces modulo center

i.e. for every non-central h in the MCG of an oriented closed surface, there is an integer  $r_0(h)$  such that for any  $r>r_0(h)$ , and any primitive  $4r^{th}$  root of unity A, the operator  $V_A(h)$  is not the identity projectively. (Freedman, Walker, W.)

## Ideas of Proof

- Y oriented closed surface, h: Y→Y orientation preserving diffeo., and V<sub>A</sub>(h): V<sub>A</sub>(Y)→V<sub>A</sub>(Y) the J-K rep. Suppose there exists an unoriented ssc a in Y such that h(a) is not isotopic to a as a set, then V<sub>A</sub>(h) is identity for at most finitely many r's.
- Let a, b be two non-trivial, non-isotopic sccs on an oriented closed surface Y. Then there exists a pants decomposition of Y such that a is a decomposing curve and b a non-trivial graph geodesic (ie no turn-backs wrt pants curves).

#### Topological Phase(=State) of Matter

- A quantum system whose low energy effective theory is described by a TQFT
- Some features:
- 1) Ground states degeneracy
- 2) No continuous evolution
- 3) Energy gap

#### **Anyons=Simple Objects of MTCs**

**Elementary excitations** (called quasiparticles or particles) in a topological quantum system are anyons.

In general the vector space V(Y) describes the ground states of a quantum system on Y, and the rep of the mapping class groups describes the evolutions.

### **Invariant for Anyon Trajectories**



Each line is labeled by an anyon. Topological invariant=amplitude of the quantum process.

## **Doubled Topological Phases**

Kitaev's toric code:



 $V =_{e} C^{2}, \qquad A_{v} =_{e \in st(v)} \sigma^{z}_{others} Id_{e},$  $B_{p} =_{e \in \partial p} \sigma^{x}_{others} Id_{e},$  $H = \sum_{v} (I - A_{v}) + \sum_{p} (I - B_{p})$ 

## Toric code exactly solvable

- $A_v$ ,  $B_p$  all commute with each other
- Ground states are  $\cong \mathbb{C}^4$ , ie 4-fold degenerate
- Gapped in the thermodynamic limit:  $\lambda_1 \lambda_0 \ge c > 0$
- Excitations are mutual anyons

## Fault-tolerant

The embedding of the ground states

$$C^2 \oplus C^2$$
 (2 qubits  $\cong C^4$ )  $\rightarrow V =_e C^2$ 

is an error correction code. Information encoded in the ground states is protected.

Conjecture: True for all picture TQFTs

## **Topological Computation**



(2+1)-TQFT in Nature=Topological State of Matter

# Topological quantum computing

- Topological phases of matter "are" quantum computers, and form the foundation for building a scalable universal quantum computer.
- "Electrons"  $\rightarrow$  TQFTs or UMTCs  $\rightarrow$  Quantum computers

# **Physical Conjectures**

- Jones-Kauffman TQFTs are "realized" in fractional quantum Hall liquids.
  Experimental confirmation is making progress.
- Materials are designed to realize diagram TQFTs e.g. Kitaev's toric code and Levin-Wen model (=Hamiltonian formulaion of Turaev-Viro type TQFTs.)

#### **Topological Charge Measurement**

e.g. FQH double point contact interferometer





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