

Topological order enriched by non-invertible symmetry
via anyon condensation

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Introduction

- ☆ Topological order (TO) in (2+1)d: theory of anyons
- ☆ In the presence of global symmetry given by group G (finite): symmetry enriched topological order (SET)
- ☆ For both of these well-established mathematical formulation:

- TO \iff Unitary modular tensor category (UMTC) \mathcal{B}
- G -SET \iff G -crossed braided fusion category \mathcal{B}_G^\times

- ☆ How do we extend this when the enriching symmetry is *non-invertible*?

[See also Balasubramanian, Buican, Delcamp, Radhakrishnan '25; Eck, Huston, Kawagoe, Penneys '26]

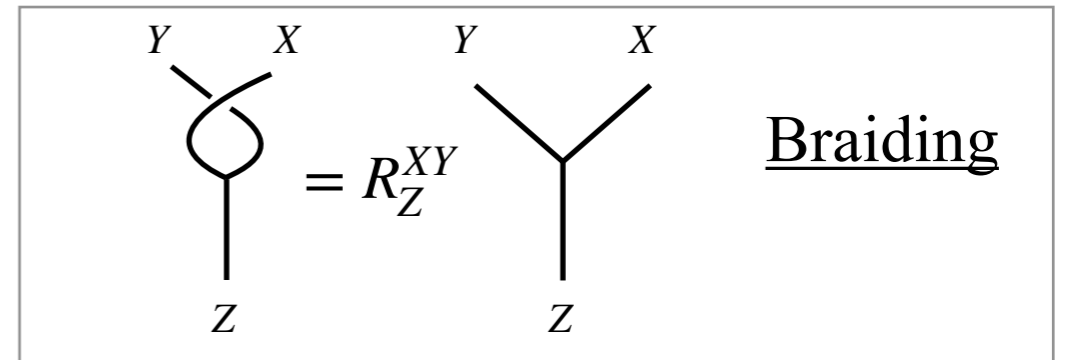
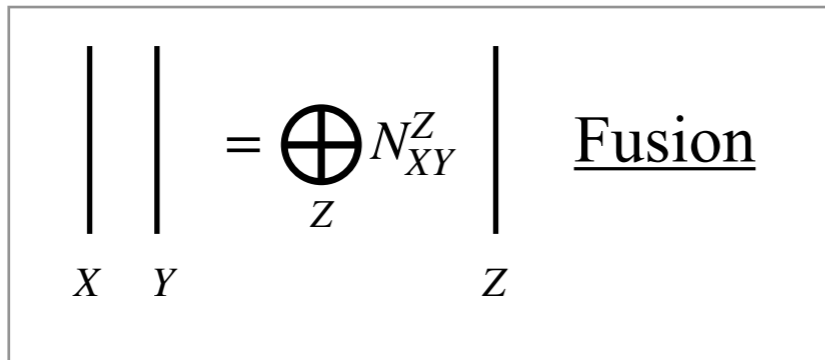
- Notice this is a natural question coming from two perspectives:
condensation defects and *anyon condensation*

[Roumpedakis, Seifnashri, Shao '23]

Symmetry enriched TO

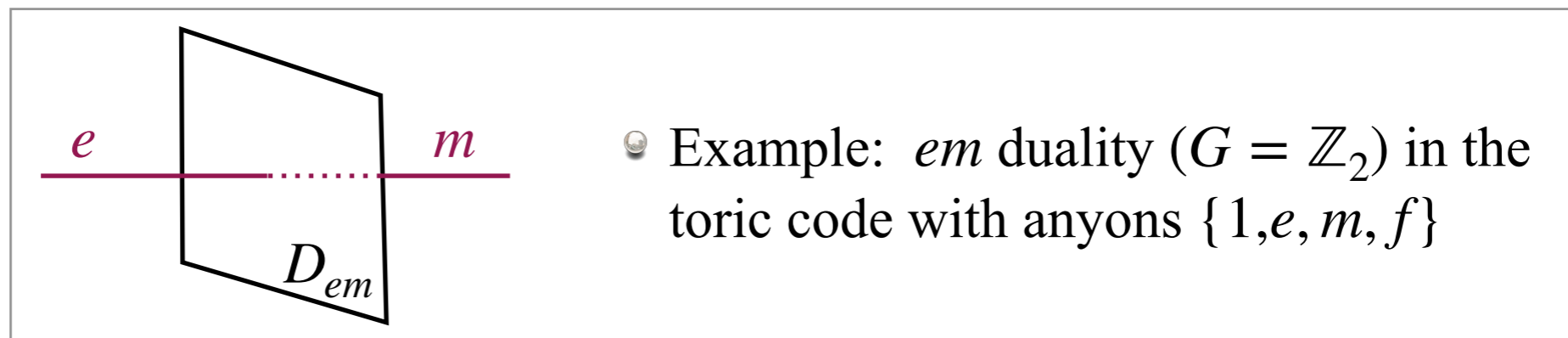
[Barkeshli, Bonderson, Cheng, Wang '19; Lan, Kong, Wen '17]

☆ Given an UMTC \mathcal{B} , simple objects $a \in \mathcal{B}$ correspond to anyon species

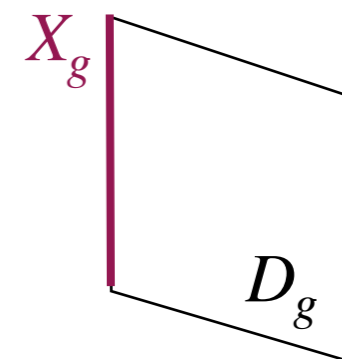


☆ In the presence of global symmetry G

- Symmetry acts on anyons in a way compatible with fusion structure and braiding (*braided tensor auto-equivalences*)
- Domain wall D_g for each element $g \in G$



- Moreover, *twisted sector* lines living at the end of a g -domain wall



G -crossed braided fusion categories \mathcal{B}_G^\times

[Etingof, Nikshych, Ostrik '10;
Etingof, Gelaki, Nikshych, Ostrik '16]

- G -graded fusion category: $\mathcal{B}_G^\times = \bigoplus_{g \in G} \mathcal{B}_g$ with

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{B}_1 = \mathcal{B} & \text{untwisted anyons (underlying topological order)} \\ \mathcal{B}_g, g \neq 1 & g\text{-twisted sector} \end{cases}$$

- G -grading compatible with tensor structure:

$$\mathcal{B}_{g_1} \boxtimes \mathcal{B}_{g_2} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{g_1 g_2}$$

- G -action $T : G \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\otimes}^{\text{br}}(\mathcal{B})$ such that:

$$T_g(\mathcal{B}_x) \subset \mathcal{B}_{gxg^{-1}}$$

- Braiding twisted by the G -action:

$$X \in \mathcal{B}_g$$

$$R_{X,Y} : X \otimes Y \rightarrow T_g(Y) \otimes X$$

★ G -equivariantisation (physically: gauging the 0-form symmetry G)

- Once you have \mathcal{B}_G^\times , can consider $(\mathcal{B}_G^\times)^G$

- Objects in $(\mathcal{B}_G^\times)^G$ are labelled by $(X, \{\lambda_g\}_{g \in G})$, with $X \in \mathcal{B}_G^\times$ and $\lambda_g : T_g(X) \cong X$

G -SET via anyon condensation

[Bais, Slingerland '09; Kong '13]

- ☆ G -crossed braided \mathcal{B}_G^\times can be obtained via *anyon condensation*
- ☆ Patterns of anyon condensations classified by *condensable algebras* A in \mathcal{B}
 - Roughly, set of bosonic anyons that become identified with the identity

- ☆ Condensing A gives rise to a new topological order \mathcal{B}_A
 - *Deconfined* excitations $\mathcal{B}_A^{\text{loc}}$ (local modules of A) braid trivially with A
 - The rest, braiding non-trivially with A , are *confined* excitations (non-local modules of A)

☆ If A ‘generates’ $\text{Rep}(G)$ in \mathcal{B} then \mathcal{B}_A is G -crossed braided

[Drinfeld, Gelaki, Nikshych, Ostrik '10]

☆ Moreover $(\mathcal{B}_A)^G \simeq \mathcal{B}$

Example: S_3 quantum double model $D(S_3)$ $S_3 = \{r, s \mid r^3 = s^2 = 1, sr = r^2s\}$

☆ $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$ (Drinfel'd center) contains $\text{Rep}(S_3)$ as a subcategory (pure charges)

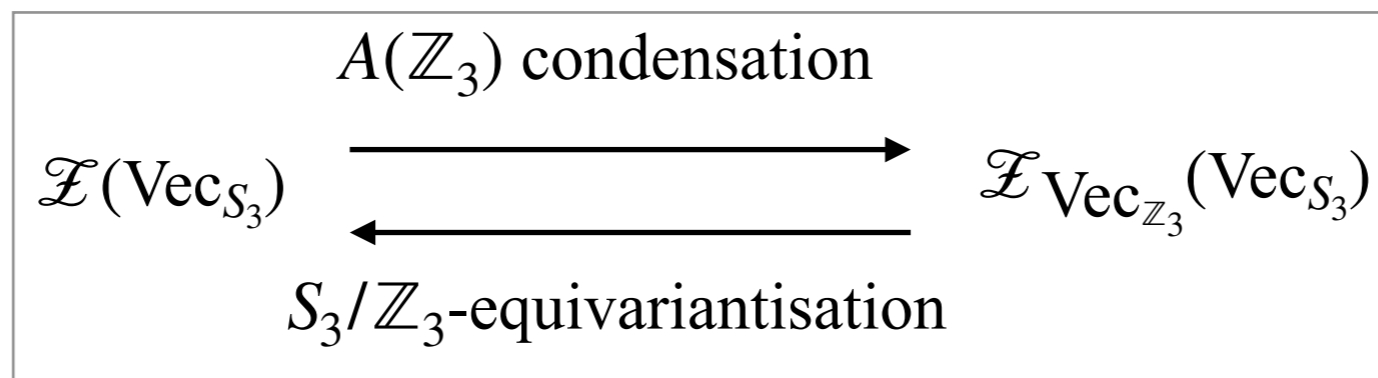
- $\text{Rep}(S_3) = \{1, e, \pi\}$ with e sign irrep and π 2d irrep of S_3 $e^2 = 1, e \otimes \pi = \pi$
 $\pi^2 = 1 \oplus e \oplus \pi$

☆ Condensable algebra $A(\mathbb{Z}_3) \cong 1 \oplus e$ with

- $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_3)}^{\text{loc}} \simeq \mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{\mathbb{Z}_3})$ Deconfined excitations
- $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_3)} \simeq \mathcal{L}_{\text{Vec}_{\mathbb{Z}_3}}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$ Relative Drinfel'd center: confined & deconfined

☆ $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_3)}$ has a $\mathbb{Z}_2 = S_3/\mathbb{Z}_3$ charge conjugation symmetry: $e \leftrightarrow \bar{e}, m \leftrightarrow \bar{m}$

☆ \mathbb{Z}_2 -equivariantisation recovers $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$



Condensing more general algebras

☆ $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$ has another condensable algebra $A(\mathbb{Z}_2) \cong 1 \oplus \pi$

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| • $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)}^{\text{loc}} \simeq \mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{\mathbb{Z}_2})$ | Deconfined excitations $\{1, e, m, f\}$ |
| • $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)} \simeq \mathcal{L}_{\text{Vec}_{\mathbb{Z}_2}}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$ | Confined excitations $\{c_1, c_2\}$ |

☆ Question: what is the symmetry enriching $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Vec}_{\mathbb{Z}_2}}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$?

- We propose it is a *hypergroup symmetry* associated with the double coset $S_3 // \mathbb{Z}_2$

☆ $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)}$ naturally decomposes over double cosets $[k] \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \backslash S_3 / \mathbb{Z}_2$

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| • $S_3 // \mathbb{Z}_2$ has 2 components $[1] = \{1, s\}$ and $[r] = \{r, r^2, rs, r^2s\}$ |
| • $\{1, e, m, f\} \in (\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)})_{[1]}$ $\{c_1, c_2\} \in (\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)})_{[r]}$ |

Hypergroup grading

☆ Hypergroup: set $\{k_i\}$ with product $k_1 \star k_2 = \sum_{k_3} C_{k_1 k_2}^{k_3} k_3$ with $C_{k_1 k_2}^{k_3} \geq 0$ and $\sum_{k_3} C_{k_1 k_2}^{k_3} = 1$
 [Bischoff '16]

☆ A double coset $H \backslash G / H$ has the structure of an hypergroup

$$[k] \equiv HkH \in H \backslash G / H \quad [k_1] \star [k_2] := \frac{1}{|H|} \sum_{h \in H} H(k_1 h k_2)H \equiv \sum_{[k_3]} C_{[k_1][k_2]}^{[k_3]} [k_3]$$

☆ For our example

$$[r] \star [r] := \frac{1}{2}[1] \oplus \frac{1}{2}[r] \quad \implies \quad C_{[r][r]}^{[1]} = C_{[r][r]}^{[r]} = \frac{1}{2}$$

☆ Compatibility condition

$$X \in (\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)})_{[k_1]}, Y \in (\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)})_{[k_2]} \quad (\text{simple objects})$$

$$\frac{\text{FPdim}(\Pi_{[k_3]}(X \otimes Y))}{\text{FPdim}(X \otimes Y)} = C_{[k_1][k_2]}^{[k_3]}$$

• Check with fusion rules

$$c_1 \otimes c_1 = c_1 \otimes c_1 = 1 \oplus e \oplus c_2$$

$$c_1 \otimes c_2 = m \oplus f \oplus c_1$$

Non-invertible symmetry action

☆ We define the *non-invertible hypergroup symmetry* as a composition of maps

$$T : \mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)} \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)}$$

☆ T decomposes as $T = \bigoplus_{[k] \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \backslash S_3 / \mathbb{Z}_2} T_{[k]}$ so $T = T_{[1]} \oplus T_{[r]}$ [Riesen '25]

☆ Compute $[r]$ -action:

$$\bullet T_{[r]}(1) = T_{[r]}(e) = 1 \oplus e$$

$$\bullet T_{[r]}(m) = T_{[r]}(f) = c_1$$

$$\bullet T_{[r]}(c_1) = m \oplus f \oplus c_1$$

$$\bullet T_{[r]}(c_2) = c_2 \oplus c_2$$

☆ Compatibility condition (R regular object)

$$\bullet \text{Ad}_{[k_1]}([k_2]) := [k_1] \star [k_2] \star [k_1^{-1}]$$

$$\bullet \text{Ad}_{[k_1]}([k_2]) \equiv \sum_{[k_3] \in S_3 // \mathbb{Z}_2} A_{[k_1][k_2]}^{[k_3]} [k_3]$$

$$\bullet \frac{\text{FPdim}(\Pi_{[k_3]}(T_{[k_1]}(R_{[k_2]})))}{\text{FPdim}(T_{[k_1]}(R_{[k_2]}))} = A_{[k_1][k_2]}^{[k_3]}$$

☆ One can show taking T -modules: $(\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})_{A(\mathbb{Z}_2)})^T \simeq \mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$

[Cui, Zini, Wang '19]

☆ Generalised *fixed point theorem*

Beyond group case & final remarks

- ☆ Our construction for $\mathcal{L}(\text{Vec}_{S_3}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{Vec}_{\mathbb{Z}_2}}(\text{Vec}_{S_3})$ relies on $\mathbb{Z}_2 \leq S_3$
- ☆ Generalise this to any $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{C})$ related via anyon condensation to $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{C})$ with $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$
- ☆ Hypergroup symmetry given by $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}) \setminus \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{C}) / \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D})$
- ☆ Summarising

	G -crossed braided	Hypergroup extension
Compatibility grading-fusion	$\mathcal{B}_{g_1} \boxtimes \mathcal{B}_{g_2} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{g_1 g_2}$	$\frac{\text{FPdim}(\Pi_{[k_3]}(X \otimes Y))}{\text{FPdim}(X \otimes Y)} = C_{[k_1][k_2]}^{[k_3]}$
Compatibility grading-action	$T_g(\mathcal{B}_x) \subset \mathcal{B}_{g x g^{-1}}$	$\frac{\text{FPdim}(\Pi_{[k_3]}(T_{[k_1]}(R_{[k_2]})))}{\text{FPdim}(T_{[k_1]}(R_{[k_2]}))} = A_{[k_1][k_2]}^{[k_3]}$
Equivariantisation	$(\mathcal{B}_G^\times)^G$	T -modules in $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{C})$

Thank you!