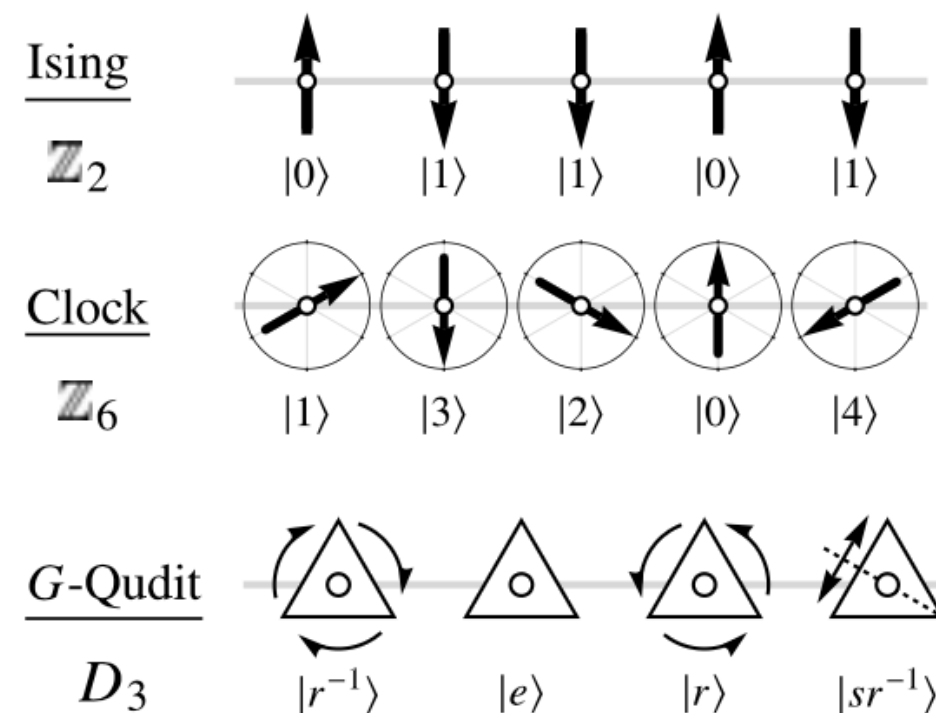


Spontaneously Broken Non-Invertible symmetries in Transverse-Field Ising Qudit Chains



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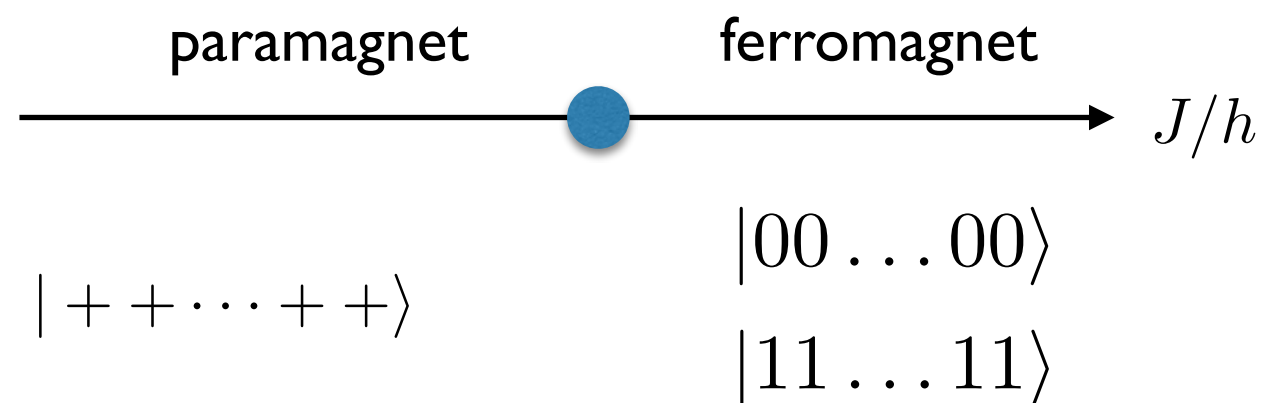
Generalized Landau paradigm

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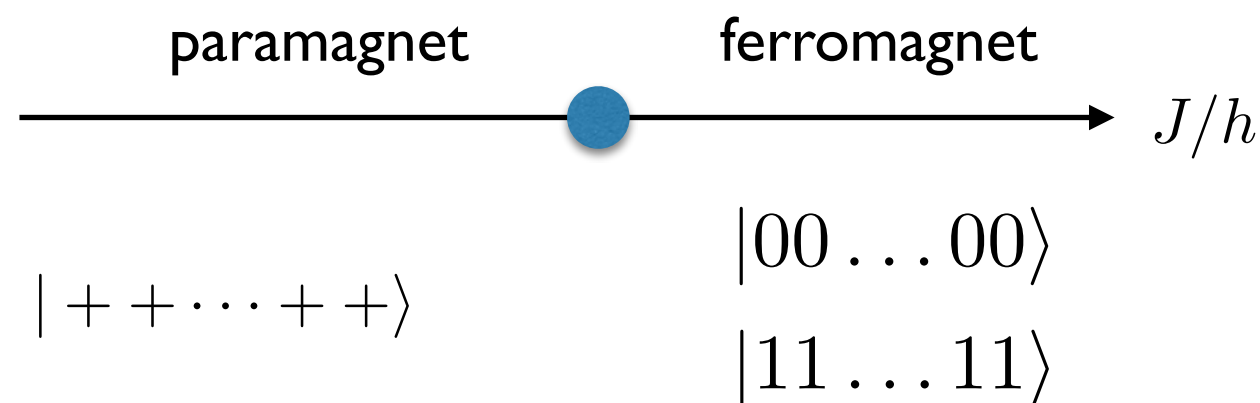


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$$|11 \dots 11\rangle = U |00 \dots 00\rangle$$

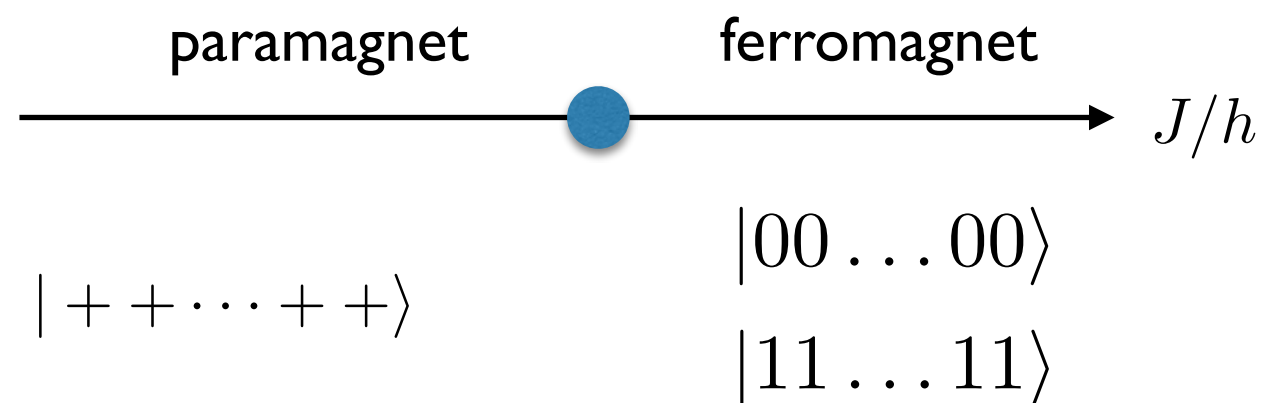
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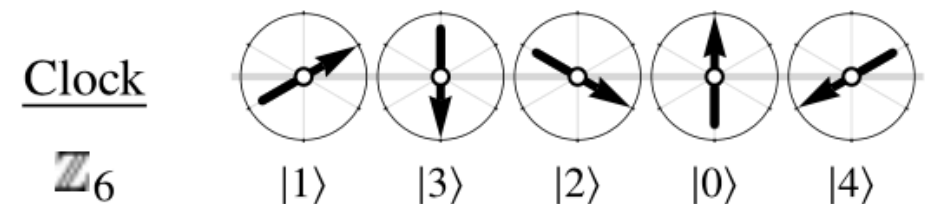
Hilbert space of qubit: $|0\rangle, |1\rangle$ Z_2 group

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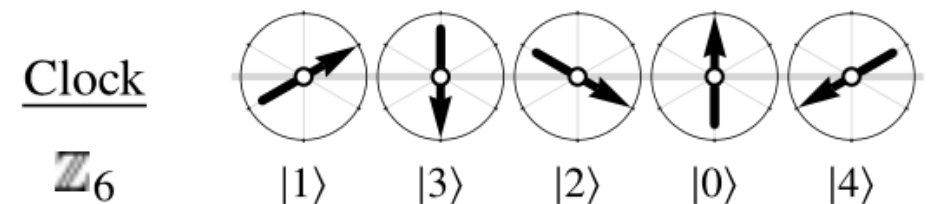
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How to generalize to
non-Abelian SSB?

$$Z^k X^m = e^{i2\pi km/N} X^m Z^k$$

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$$\sum_{\Gamma} d_{\Gamma}^2 = |G| \longrightarrow \# \text{ of } Z = \# \text{ of } X$$

non-Abelian generalization
of Pauli algebra

$$Z_{\alpha\beta}^\Gamma \vec{X}^g = \Gamma_{\alpha\gamma}^g \vec{X}^g Z_{\gamma\beta}^\Gamma$$

Tensor network representation

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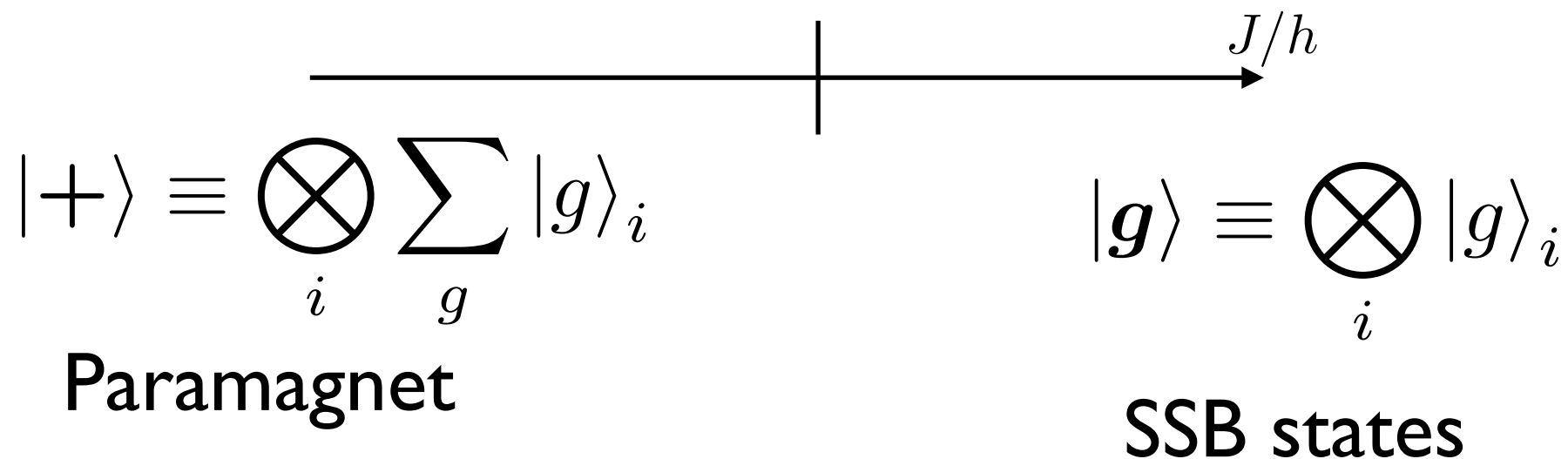
here $\overline{\Gamma}^g = \Gamma^{g^{-1}}$

G-symmetric TFIM

On a chain of G-qudits introduce

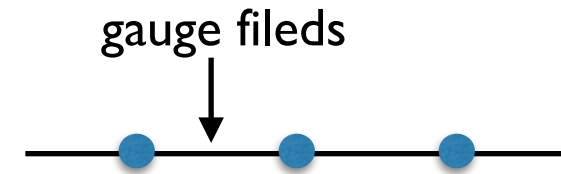
$$H_G = -J \sum_i \sum_{\Gamma} d_{\Gamma} \text{Tr}[Z_i^{\Gamma} \cdot Z_{i+1}^{\bar{\Gamma}}] - h \sum_i \sum_g \vec{X}_i^g + \text{h.c.}$$

G symmetry generated by $U_g = \prod_i \vec{X}_i^g$



Gauging G-symmetry

Introduce G-valued gauge field on links



$$H_G \rightarrow -J \sum_i \sum_{\Gamma} d_{\Gamma} \text{Tr}[Z_i^{\Gamma} \cdot \mathcal{Z}_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \cdot Z_{i+1}^{\bar{\Gamma}}] - h \sum_i \sum_g \overleftarrow{X}_i^g + \text{h.c.}$$

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KW duals are different for non-Abelian G

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Symmetry generators

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labeled by
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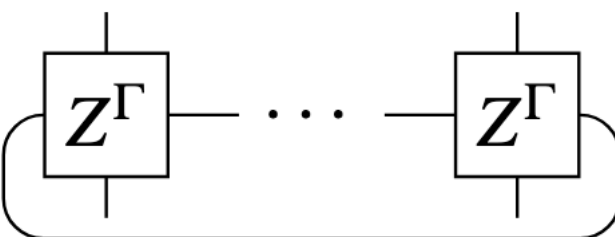
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Symmetries multiply according to irrep $\text{Rep}(G)$ algebra

$$R_{\Gamma_a} R_{\Gamma_b} = \sum_c N_{ab}^c R_{\Gamma_c} \Leftrightarrow \Gamma_a \otimes \Gamma_b = \bigoplus_c N_{ab}^c \Gamma_c$$

For non-Abelian groups G this algebra is non-invertible

Proof of non-invertability

Consider the action of symmetry on the basis state

$$R_{\Gamma} |g_1, \cdots, g_L\rangle = \text{Tr}[\Gamma^{g_1 \cdots g_L}] |g_1, \cdots, g_L\rangle$$



character

for irreps with $d_{\Gamma} > 1$ at least one group element must have zero character

R_{Γ} must have finite kernel $\longrightarrow$

symmetry
cannot be inverted

Spontaneous symmetry breaking

To find SSB states, introduce a dual basis of G-qudit

$$|\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{d_\Gamma}{|G|}} \sum_{g \in G} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^g |g\rangle \equiv |\alpha\rangle \bullet \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \bullet \langle\beta|$$

which block-diagonalizes $\vec{X}$ operators $\vec{X}^g |\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}\rangle = \Gamma_{\alpha\gamma}^{g^{-1}} |\Gamma_{\gamma\beta}\rangle$

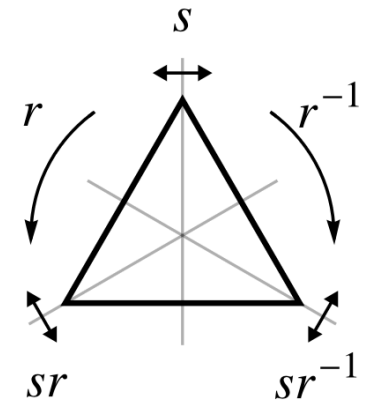
SSB states for $h=0$:

$$|\Gamma\rangle = \sum_{\{\alpha_i\}} \bigotimes_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_\Gamma}} |\Gamma_{\alpha_i \alpha_{i+1}}\rangle = \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \circ \dots \circ \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle}$$

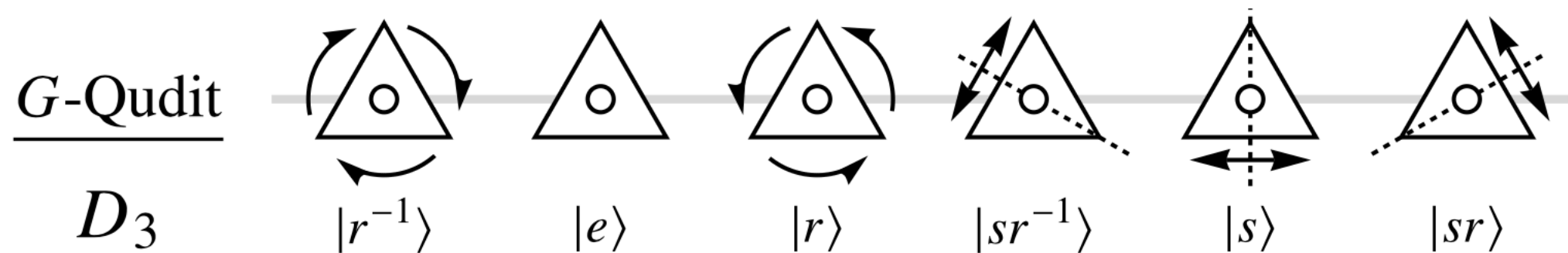
local
order parameter

$$\langle \Gamma | \vec{X}^g | \Gamma \rangle = \text{Tr}[\Gamma^g] / d_\Gamma$$

D_3 group



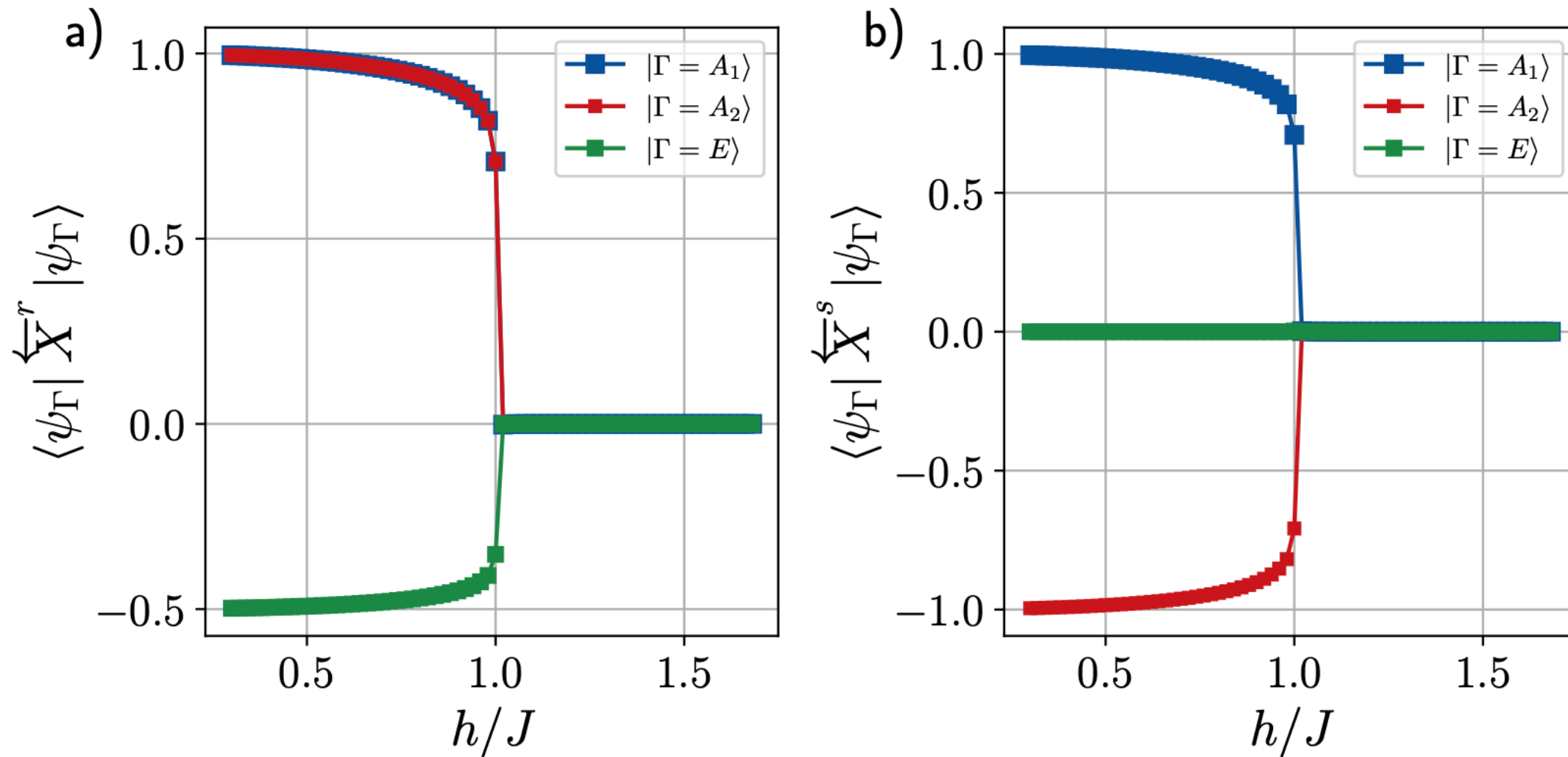
Symmetries of equilateral triangle: non-Abelian $sr = r^{-1}s$



Three irreps: one-dimensional— A_1, A_2 two-dimensional— E

$\Gamma_a \otimes \Gamma_b$	A_1	A_2	E
A_1	A_1	A_2	E
A_2	A_2	A_1	E
E	E	E	$A_1 \oplus A_2 \oplus E$

Rep(D₃) SSB



iDMRG: local order parameter, transition at $h=J$

Rep(G) SSB: new features

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SSB ground states have different entanglement structure

D_3 group:

product states $|A_1\rangle, |A_2\rangle$

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D₃ example:

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entangled MPS $|E\rangle$

edge
modes

entanglement
spectrum degeneracy

string order
parameter

SPT-like
features:

Rep(G) SSB: new features

on open chain $|G|$ SSB states

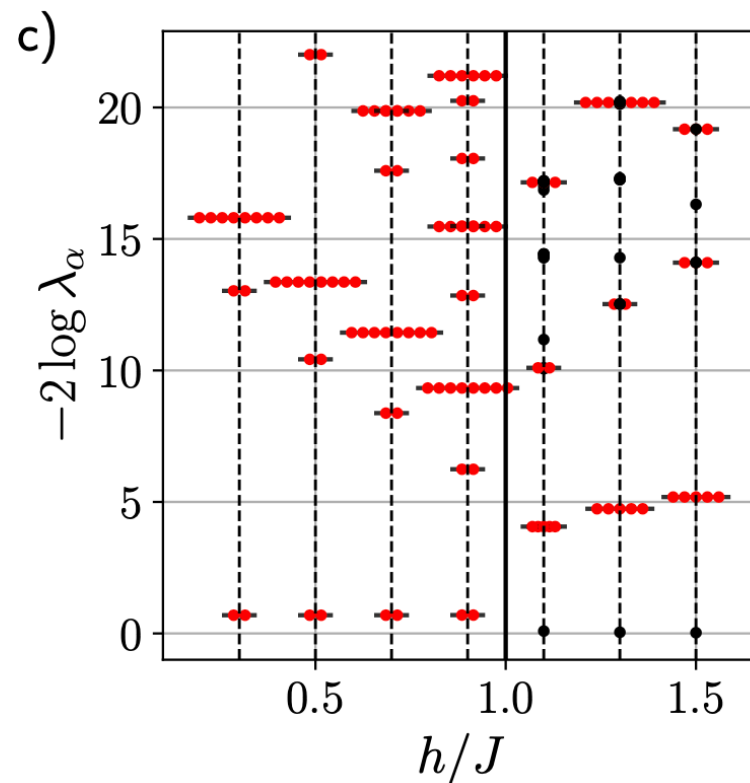
Edge modes: $|\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}\rangle = |\alpha\rangle \bullet \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \circ \dots \circ \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \bullet \langle\beta|$

transitions between different SSB states
with local edge operators

partial fractionalization of G-qudit between two edges

Rep(G) SSB: new features

Entanglement spectrum:



Schmidt decomposition

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha} |\alpha L\rangle |\alpha R\rangle$$

in the SSB entangled state $|E\rangle$
all Schmidt eigenvalues
are two-fold degenerate

Pollmann et al
Perez-Garcia et al

Rep(G) SSB: new features

Ordinary symmetry multiplets: $U_g \mathcal{O}_\Gamma^\alpha = \left(\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^g \mathcal{O}_\Gamma^\beta \right) U_g$

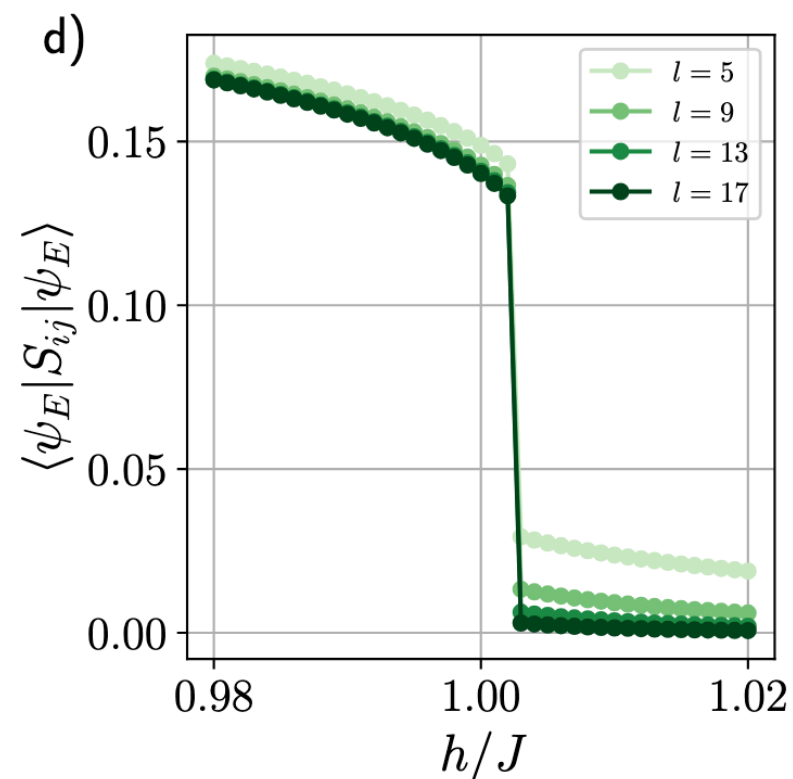
multiplets of non-invertible symmetry contain
local and non-local operators

Bhardwaj et al

$$S_{ij} = \overleftarrow{X}_i^r \prod_{i < k < j} Z_k^{A_2} \vec{X}_j^r$$

SSB state $|E\rangle$

supports both local
and non-local order
parameters



Anyonic domain walls

Domain walls can carry internal dofs- open legs of MPS

They fuse as non-abelian anyons with multiple possibilities

Two domain walls nearby: $|\psi_{ab}\rangle = \cdots - [\Gamma_a] - \circ - [\Gamma_a] - \bullet \xrightarrow{|\psi_{\bar{a}}\rangle} \bullet \xrightarrow{|\psi_b\rangle} [\Gamma_b] - \circ - [\Gamma_b] - \cdots$

Using Clebsch-Gordon
decomposition

$$|\Gamma_{c_n}, \gamma\rangle = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} [C_{\bar{a}b}^{c_n}]_{\bar{\alpha}\beta}^{\gamma} |\Gamma_{\bar{a}}, \bar{\alpha}\rangle \otimes |\Gamma_b, \beta\rangle$$

$$|\psi_{ab}\rangle = \sum_c \sum_{n=1}^{N_{ab}^c} \cdots - [\Gamma_a] - \circ - [\Gamma_a] - \bullet \xrightarrow{|\psi_c\rangle} \mathcal{C}_{c_n}^{\bar{a}b} \bullet \xrightarrow{|\psi_c\rangle} [\Gamma_b] - \circ - [\Gamma_b] - \cdots$$

different fusion
channels

Outlook

- Realization with quantum hardware
- Applications to non-Abelian LGTs
- Phase transition
- extension to 2d:
non-Abelian anyons and quantum computing

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Extra slides

SSB details

Using

$$\cdots \alpha \bullet \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \xrightarrow{\overleftarrow{X}g} \beta \quad \gamma \bullet \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \xrightarrow{\overrightarrow{X}g} \delta \cdots = \cdots \alpha \bullet \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \xrightarrow{\Gamma g} \beta \quad \gamma \bullet \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \xrightarrow{\bar{\Gamma} g} \delta \cdots$$

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eigenvalue
+1

therefore

$$|\Gamma\rangle = \cdots \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \circ \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \circ \boxed{|\Gamma\rangle} \cdots \equiv \sum_{\{\alpha_i\}} \bigotimes_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_\Gamma}} |\Gamma_{\alpha_i \alpha_{i+1}}\rangle_i$$

Multiplet of Rep(D₃)

$$R_E \underbrace{\vec{X}_j^r}_{\text{local}} = \left[\text{Re}(\omega) \underbrace{\vec{X}_j^r}_{\text{local}} + i \text{Im}(\omega) \left(\prod_{k < j} \underbrace{Z_k^{A_2}}_{\substack{\text{non-local} \\ \text{string}}} \right) \vec{X}_j^r \right] R_E$$

Bhardwaj et al

with $\omega = \exp(i2\pi/3)$