

## Meeting 13.2 TQC and 3-manifold invariants

I. "Accept probability of circuit" = "Normalized quantum invariant"

II. Approximating quantum invariants w/ quantum computers

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# Lightning review of bst time

Given:

- extended unitary  $(2k+1)$ -dim TQFT  $\mathcal{Z}$
- a "self-dual color"  $X$  (secretly, a self-dual object in unitary modular tensor category determined by  $\mathcal{Z}$ )
- two planar matchings  $T, S$  of  $2k$  points

such that:

- quantum representation

$$\mathcal{Z}: B_{4k} \rightarrow U(\mathcal{Z}(4k; X, 1))$$

has dense image

- $|T\rangle, |S\rangle$  linearly independent in  $\mathcal{Z}(2k; X, 1)$

Then:

can "lift" quantum circuit  $C$  (over favorite universal gate set) acting on  $n$  qubits to a braid diagram  $b_C \in B_{2nk}$  such that  $b_C$  acts on subspace

$$\underbrace{H_k \otimes H_k \otimes \dots \otimes H_k}_n \subseteq \mathbb{C}(2nk; X, 1),$$

where  $H_k = \text{span}\{|T\rangle, |S\rangle\}$ , in the same way  $C$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$ .

The isomorphism  $\mathbb{C}^2 \cong H_k$  identifies

$$|0\rangle = \frac{|T\rangle}{\sqrt{\langle T|T\rangle}}$$

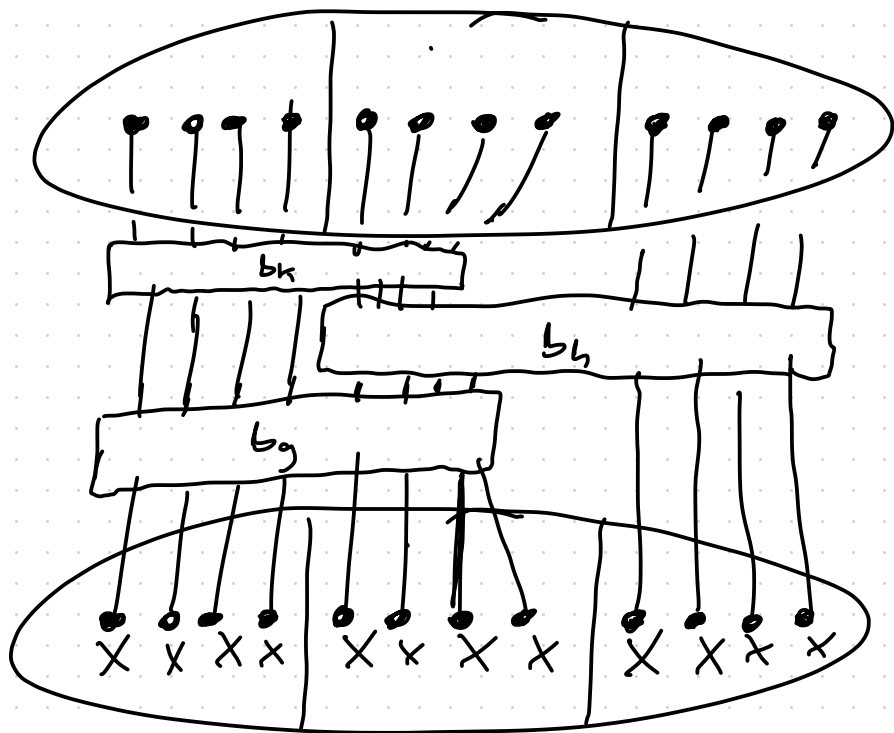
Moreover,

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concretely,

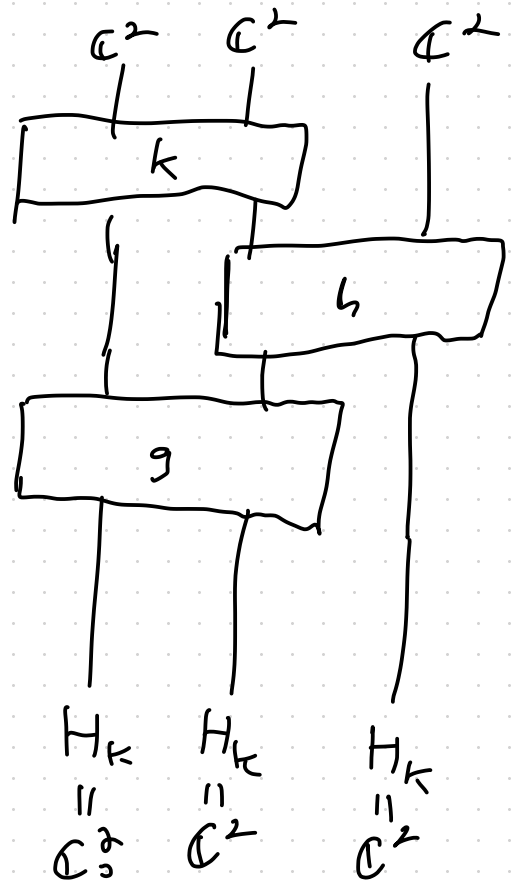
we use

$$T = \cup \cup \dots \cup$$



$g, h, k \in \mathcal{B} \subseteq U(\mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2)$   
 $b_g, b_h, b_k \in \mathcal{B}_g$

$\mathcal{Z}$   
 $\rightarrow$   
 $k = 2$   
 $s = 3$



The encoding  $C \mapsto b_C$  is linear time.

We might call this **topological quantum computing**  
b/c circuits can be encoded inside a TQFT

However, there's an even better reason to call it TQC:  
if we are using  $C$  to answer a Yes/No question,  
then the probability of a Yes outcome is closely  
related to  $X$ -colored link invariant of  $b_C$   
"closed up" with copies of  $T$ .

In particular, we call it TQC b/c of the answer we now give to question asked at end of previous meeting:

How do topological invariants of knots / links / 3-manifolds derived from  $\mathcal{Z}$  relate to this model of computation?

# I. "Accept probability of circuit" = "Normalized quantum invariant"

Notice we haven't actually used the identity

$$|0\rangle = \frac{|T\rangle}{\sqrt{\langle T|T\rangle}}$$

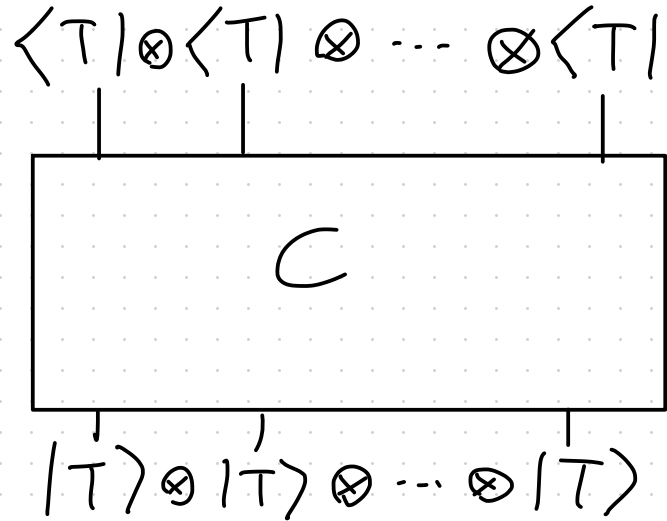
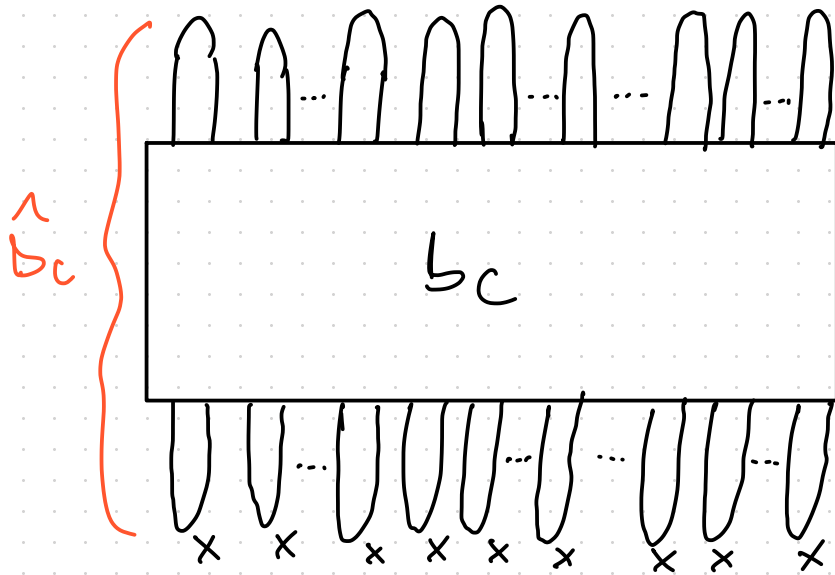
Here's why it matters:

$$\langle 00\dots 0 | C | 00\dots 0 \rangle = \frac{\langle TT\dots T | C | TT\dots T \rangle}{(\langle T|T \rangle)^n}$$

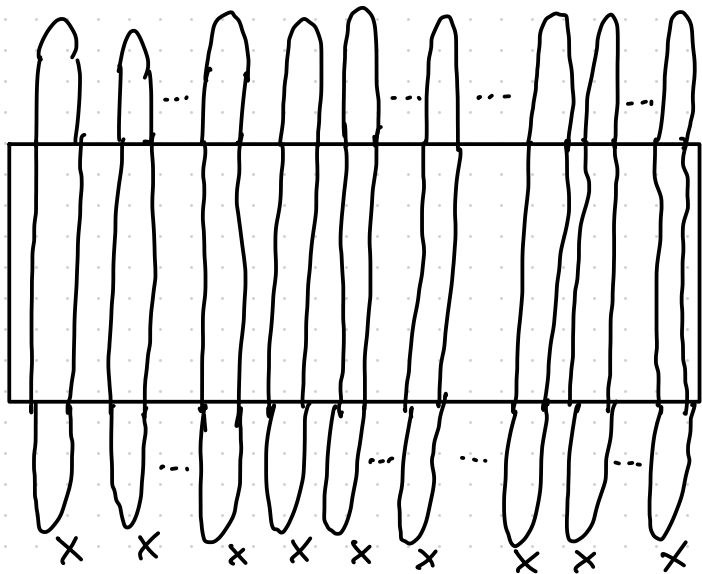
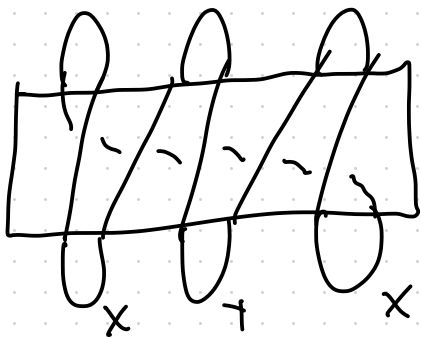
$\langle 0^n | C | 0^n \rangle^2$  is probability  
C outputs  $|0^n\rangle$  when input  $|0^n\rangle$

and numerator and denominator of RHS both have topological interpretation, thanks to TQFT axioms.

$\langle T \dots T | b_c | T \dots T \rangle = Z(\hat{b}_c)$  where  $\hat{b}_c$  is  
 $X$ -colored  $\checkmark$  link diagram as follows:  
 ribbon







$$z(K_1 \sqcup K_2) = z(K_1) z(K_2)$$

$$\langle \tau | \tau \rangle^n = \langle \tau | \text{Id} | \tau \rangle^n = z(O_X^k)^n = z(O_X)^{nk}$$

$\downarrow \in B_{2k}$

where  $O_X$  is  $X$ -colored <sup>trivially framed ribbon</sup> unknot end

$O_X^k$  is  $X$ -colored <sup>trivially framed ribbon</sup> unlink w/  $k$ -components.

Thus,

$$\langle 00 \dots 0 | C | 00 \dots 0 \rangle = \frac{z(\hat{b}_C)}{z(\bigcirc_X)^{nk}}$$

Example: Jones-Kauffman TQFT w/  $C = U_q \mathfrak{sl}_2$ -mod,  
 $X = V$  the defining representation of  $U_q \mathfrak{sl}_2$ , and  
 $q = e^{2\pi i/k}$ , then  $z(\hat{b}_C)$  is value of Jones  
polynomial of  $\hat{b}_C$  at  $q$ , and

$$z(\bigcirc_V) = q + q^{-1}.$$

$$e^{2\pi i/100} + e^{-2\pi i/100} = 1 - \varepsilon$$

Reminder: BQP ( $\mathcal{G}, 1/3$ )

$\mathcal{G}$ : gate set

Decision problem  $F: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\} = \{\text{No}, \text{Yes}\}$  is in

BQP iff:

exists a classical poly time algorithm that converts bit string  $x \in \{0,1\}^n$  to a  $\mathcal{G}$ -circuit  $C_x$  such that

$$\langle F(x), x, 0^{m-1} | C_x | x, 0^m \rangle \geq 2/3.$$

Note: here I'm letting  $C_x$  depend on  $x$ , and not just  $|x|=n$ .

Variation : BQP ( $\mathcal{G}, 1/3$ )

$\mathcal{G}$ : gate set

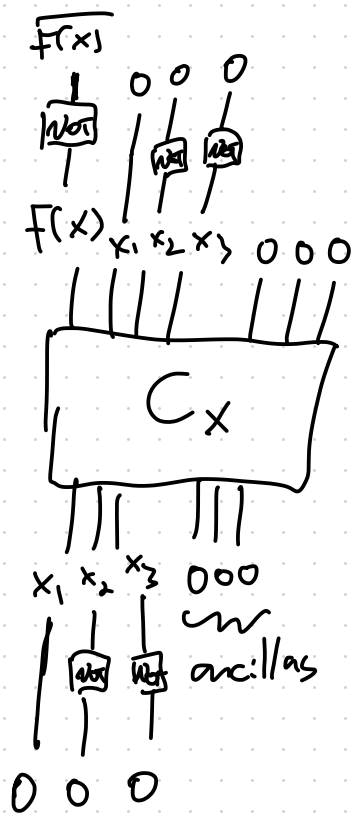
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$$\langle \overline{F(x)}, 0^n, 0^{m-1} | C_x | 0^n, 0^m \rangle \geq 2/3.$$

So: We might as well allow  $x$  to prepare  $x$  from  $00 \dots 0$ . We negate  $f(x)$  for contrived reason.



$$f(x) = 011$$

A reference:

**Proposition 2.3.**  $D \in \text{BQP}$  if and only if there is a quantum circuit  $C = C(x)$  with  $\text{poly}(|x|)$  unitary gates acting on  $n = \text{poly}(|x|)$  qubits, such that  $C$  itself can be generated in deterministic polynomial time FP, and such that the probability

$$p(x) = |\langle 0^n | C | 0^n \rangle|^2 \quad (2.1)$$

is at least  $2/3$  if  $D(x) = \text{yes}$  and at most  $1/3$  if  $D(x)$  is no.

[Kuperberg, "How hard is it to approximate the Jones polynomial?"]

# Theorem (Topological quantum computing)

Suppose  $Z$  and  $X$  satisfy conditions above. Then the decision problem

$$F: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\} = \{\text{No}, \text{Yes}\}$$

is in BQP if and only if there exists a polynomial time (classical) algorithm that takes  $y \in \{0,1\}^*$  to a

braid diagram  $b_y$  such that

$$\left[ \frac{Z(b_y)}{Z(\bigcirc_X)^{nk}} \right]^2 \geq \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{if } F(y) = \text{Yes}$$

and

$$\left[ \frac{Z(b_y)}{Z(\bigcirc_X)^{nk}} \right]^2 \leq \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{if } F(y) = \text{No}.$$

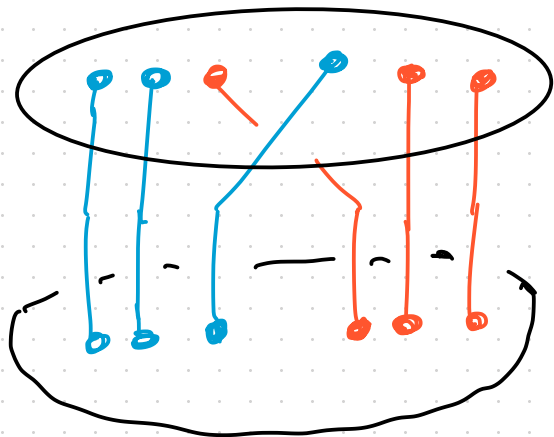


## Remarks

1. Conditions on  $X$  can be relaxed (e.g. not self dual, use multiple colors to build a qubit, etc...).  
Unclear what precise level of generality ought to be.
2. I don't know examples of  $Z + X$  such that

$$Z: B_k \rightarrow U(Z(k; X, 1))$$

has infinite image for all  $k \gg 0$  BUT  
is NEVER dense



No tensor, b/c these  
are two different Hilbert  
spaces

Instead, use "color preserving subgroup"  $B_{3,3}$  of  $B_6$

