## What is an Adinkra

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## Overview

#### Physical Background

#### 2 Classification Theorem for Chormotopology







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## Adinkras as Translator

"The use of symbols to connote ideas which defy simple verbalization is perhaps one of the oldest of human traditions. The Asante people of West Africa have long been accustomed to using simple yet elegant motifs known as Adinkra symbols, to serve just this purpose."

- Michael Faux& S. J. Gates, Jr

| <br>Physics                                       |                     | Combinatorics                        |                   | Topology                       |                   | Geometry                |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Generators of                                     | ⇔                   | Chromotopology<br>(doubly Even Code) | 4                 | Universal covering by $X(I^n)$ | 4                 | Belyi pair $(X, \beta)$ |
| Super Fonicare algebra                            | $\overline{\nabla}$ |                                      |                   |                                | ~                 | (X, P)                  |
|   |                     |                                      |                   | Vanishing of                   |                   | Super Riemann Surface   |
| +  or $-$   | $\Leftrightarrow$   | Odd Dashing                          | $\Leftrightarrow$ | $H'(X(A),\mathbb{Z}_2)$        | $\Leftrightarrow$ | Structure               |
| Placement of $\partial_t$ (Engineering dimension) | ⇔                   | Ranking                              | ⇔                 | _                              | ⇔                 | Morse Divisors          |
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What's the representation on basis?

$$\{\partial_t^k \phi_I, \partial_t^k \psi_J | k \in \mathbb{N}, \quad I, J = 1.2....m\}$$

Here the  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued functions  $\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\}$ : bosons and  $\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_m\}$ : fermions. The  $\#\psi = \#\phi$ :off-shell.

## Operators in $\mathfrak{po}^{1|N}$

We introduce the *engineering dimension*: operator  $\partial_t$  adds the engineering dimension by 2, and thus  $Q_l$  adds the dimension by 1(denoted by  $[Q_l] = 1$ ). So

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We may see  $\phi$ s and  $\psi$ s as points and connect them with lines. We give line the color, dashing, ranking.

$$Q_I\phi_A(t) = c\partial_t^\lambda\psi_B(t) \Leftrightarrow Q_I\psi_B(t) = rac{\prime}{c}\partial_t^{1-\lambda}\phi_A(t)$$

 $c\in\{1,-1\}$  and  $\lambda\in\{0,1\}$ 

## Chromotopologies

#### Definition

A n-dimensional chromotopology is a finite connected simple graph A such that

- A is n-regular and bipartite(same number).
- Elements of *E*(*A*) are colored by *n* different colors, denoted by [*n*] = {1, 2, ..., *n*}
- For any distinct *i*, *j* in *E*(*A*), edges in *E*(*A*) in color *i* and *j* form disjoint 4-cycles.(2-color 4-cycle)



## Two Structures in Chromotopologies

- Ranking: A map V(A) → Z that gives A the additional poset structure.
- Oashing: Each edge is assigned an element in Z<sub>2</sub>. An odd dashing is a dashing that for each 2-color 4-cycle, the sum must be 1. If A is dashed by odd dashed, we call it well-dashed.



## What's their correspondence in physics?



The edges are here labeled by the variable index I; for fixed I, they are drawn in the  $I^{\rm th}$  color.

#### and we have the following dictionary

| Adinkras           | Representation of $\mathfrak{po}^{1 N}$ |
|--------------------|---|
| Vertex bipartition | Bosonic/Fermionic bipartition           |
| Colored edges by I | Action of $Q_I$                         |
| Dashing            | Sign in <i>Q</i> <sub>1</sub>           |
| Change of rank     | power of $\partial_t$                   |
| Rank function      | Engineering dimension                   |
|                    |   |

#### *n*-cube

The *n*-cube has a natural structure that satisfies all the requirements



We use  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$  as the points, connect by hamming distance 1(that differs exactly one element), and color the edge by the corresponding color. Use the ranking to be number of 1 in it. But for dashing, we need some induction hypothesis which will be stated later.

#### An adinkra is a ranked well-dashed chromotopology. A natural question:

#### How can we distinguish two Adinkra?

But the solution comes from various side, since the isomorphism of Adinkra has various unequivalent definitions! So we first consider the following:

#### How can we distinguish two chromotopology?

Surprisingly, the answer is coding theory!

## Reminder of Codes

An *n*-codeword is a vector in  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$ . Weight of the code is the number of the non-zero component, by wt(v). We now have

#### Code

An (n, k)-binary code L is k dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$ . It is *even* if for all  $v \in L$ , 2|wt(v); *doubly-even* if 4|wt(v).

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#### Problem

Can the equivalence class define a chromotopology?

The answer is yes, but some only when code is doubly even!

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Note: we may wonder if double edge or self loop is allowed in generalization of adinkras. The former is excluded by dashing and later is excluded by ranking. But we may allow something called "multichromotopology".



#### Lemma

1. A has a loop if and only if L contains a code word of weight 1, and a double-edge if and only if L has a word of weight 2. So A is simple if and only if all words in L has weight 3 or greater. 2.A can be ranked iff it is bipartite, and which is true iff L is even.

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But the most complicated one is the dashing, which involves some Clifford algebra of the code.

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## The Classification Theorem

#### Theorem

 $A = I_c^n/L$  is well-dashed if and only if L is doubly even code.

With previous theorems, we may have the following:

#### Chromotopology

Chromotopology is exactly  $A = I_c^n/L$ , where L is even code with no weight 2 word.

Also, it's easy to see that

#### Adinkraizable Chromotopology

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## Proof of one-side

#### Theorem

#### $A = I_c^n/L$ is well-dashed $\Rightarrow L$ is doubly even code.

We denote  $q_I(v)$  to be the unique point connected to v that has color I. We consider the code

$$L = \{(x_1,\ldots,x_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_2^n | q_1^{x_1} \ldots q_n^{x_n}(v) = v, \forall v \in V(A)\}$$

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It's obvious that

$$q_1^{x_1+y_1}\ldots q_n^{x_n+y_n}(v) = q_1^{x_1}\ldots q_n^{x_n}(q_1^{y_1}\ldots q_n^{y_n}(v)).$$

Also, the identity and inverse are obvious. By a translation, we know that C is independent of choice of v.

# Direct Verification $I_c^n/L$ is exactly A. Lutian Zhao (SJTU) Adinkras December 13, 2014 15 / 42

## Reason for doubly even

First, we suppose  $v \in L$ .

$$Q_1^{x_1}\ldots Q_n^{x_n}F_*(t)=c\partial_t^{wt(v)/2}F_*(t)$$

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Using anti-commutative of  $Q_i$  we know

$$c^{2}\partial_{t}^{wt(v)}F_{*}(t) = (-1)^{\binom{wt(v)}{2}}Q_{1}^{2x_{1}}\dots Q_{n}^{2x_{n}}F_{*}(t) = (-1)^{\binom{wt(v)}{2}}i^{wt(v)}\partial_{t}^{wt(v)}F_{*}(t).$$

This means  $c^2 = 1$ . But on the other hand, we recall  $Q_I Q_J$  contribute one power of *i*, thus  $c = \pm 1$  implies  $wt(v) \equiv 0 \mod 4$ .

## The Universal Covering

Construct X(A) by filling all 2-color 4 cycle with a disk. The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  complex  $C_0$  is formal sum of vertices,  $C_1$  is formal sum of edges,  $C_2$  is formal sum of faces. Thus

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#### Universal covering

A is an (n, k)-adinkraizable chromotopology,  $A = I_c^n/L$ . Then  $X(A) = X(I_c^n)$  as quotient complex, L acts freely on X(A). We have  $X(I_c^n)$  is a simply-connected covering space of X(A), L is deck transformation

The reason is that  $X(I_c^n)$  is 2-skeleton of hypercube  $D^n$ , we know that  $H_1$  and  $\pi_1$  must agree.

An interpretation for dashing is, if we see  $H^1(X(A), \mathbb{Z}_2)$  by sending *e* to d(e). Then  $H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}_2)$  vanish if and only if the dashing is odd.

## Decomposition of Adinkra

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#### Lemma

Color *i* decompose A if and only if for all  $v \in L(A)$ , the *i*-th digit of v is 0.

A direct result is,  $l_c^n$  is decomposable by all *i*. Intuitive fact: *A* is (n, k) chromotopology, then  $A_0, A_1$  is (n - 1, k)chromotopology. So far, we have not given the dashing on  $I_c^n!$  So the question is:

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How many distinct odd dashing o(A) are there on  $I_c^n$ ?

Answer: The same number as even dashing, with  $|o(A)| = |e(A)| = 2^{2^{n-k}+k+1}$  on an adinkraizable (n, k)-chromotopology. Surprising fact: Number does not depend on the code!

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## Equivalence of Odd and Even Dashing

#### Equivalence

|e(A)| = |o(A)| if A is adinkraizable chromotopology.

#### Proof.

I = |E(A)|, and see all dashing as vector space in  $\mathbb{Z}_2^I$ , with solid 0 and dashed 1.

1. Even dashing create a vector space.

2.o(A) is not a vector space. But odd + even = odd. So if odd dashing exists, |o(A)| = |e(A)|3.|o(A)| > 0 since adinkraizable.

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## Construct odd dashing by decomposition

#### Theorem

If A has I edges colored i, and  $A = A_0 \coprod_i A_1$ , then each even(odd) dashing and 2<sup>I</sup> dashing of *i*-colored edge uniquely determine an even(odd) dashing

Here's an intuitive approach



So by induction,  $|e(I_c^n)| = 2^{2^n - 1}$ .

## Labeled Switching Class

There's an operation called vertex switching



The labeled switching class(LSC) are the orbits(or equivalent class under vertex switching).

## Computation of dashing in LSC

#### Proposition

In an adinkraizable (n, k) chromotopology A, there're exactly  $2^{2^{n-k}-1}$  dashing in each LSC

Proof :

- **(**) Vertex switch has order 2 and commutative, so give  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  vector space.
- If an operator fix a dashing, then each edge must have its vertex both switched or unswitched
- Since connected, so all switched or all unswitched.

So  $2^{n-k}$  vertices has  $2^{2^{n-k}-1}$  ways of different switching. A corollary is that  $I_c^n$  has only one LSC.

## Homological Computation of all dashing

We may count orbit of even dashing.

#### Proposition

Let A be an adinkraizable (n, k)-chromotopology, then there're exactly  $2^k$  LSCs on A

We consider the complex  $0 \to C_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} C_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} C_0 \to 0$  The even dashing is exactly  $Im(d_2)^{\perp}$ , since as a formal sum of edge with  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ , its inner product with all 2-color 4-cycle is 0. Hence

 $\dim((Im(d_2)^{\perp})) = \dim(C_1) - \dim(Im(d_2)) = \dim(H_1) + \dim(C_0) - \dim(H_0)$ 

Since dim $(C_0) = 2^{n-k}$ , dim $(H_0) = 1$ , thus the dimension for switching class is exactly dim $(H_1)$ . But  $\pi_1(X(A)) = L$ . By  $H_1$  is abelianization of  $\pi_1$ , we know  $H_1 = \mathbb{Z}_2^k$ , and dim $(H_1) = k$ .

$$|e(A)| = |o(A)| = 2^{2^{n-k}+k-1}$$

## The Rank Family

The set of all rankings of A is the ranking family R(A). For  $I^2$ , we have



The natural question is

What is enumerative property of R(A)?

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## Hanging Garden Theorem

#### The main structure theorem

For a bipartite graph A, if  $S \subset V(A)$  and  $h_S : S \to \mathbb{Z}$  satisfies

- **1**  $h_S$  has odd value on bosons and even on fermions.
- Por distinct s<sub>1</sub>, s<sub>2</sub> ∈ S, D(S<sub>1</sub>, s<sub>2</sub>) ≥ |h<sub>S</sub>(s<sub>1</sub>) h<sub>S</sub>(s<sub>2</sub>)| Then there's a unique ranking h of A such that h agrees with h<sub>S</sub> on S and sink of h are exactly S. (S can also be source by symmetry)



We take  $A^{\nu}$  to be the graph having only  $\nu$  as sink  $_{\Box}$  ,  $_{<\sigma}$  ,

## Rank Family Poset

We define two operators, the vertex lowering  $D_s$  and vertex raising  $U_s$ . The lowering operator acts only on the sink and change the ranking h'(s) = h(s) - 2. Similar with raising. Then

#### Theorem

Any two ranking can be obtained from a sequence of vertex-lowering and vertex-raising process.



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## Counting Ranking on hypercube

Let  $A = A_0 \coprod_i A_1$ , we first define  $inc(b_1b_2 \ldots b_{n-1}, j \to i) = b_1, b_2 \ldots b_{i-1}jb_i \ldots b_{n-1}$ , just an inserting. Let  $z_0 = (\vec{0}, i \to 0)$  and  $z_1 = (\vec{0}, i \to 1)$ , then  $|h(z_1) - h(z_0)| = 1$ . We denote  $A = A_0 \nearrow_i A_1$  when  $h(z_1) = h(z_0) + 1$  and  $A = A_0 \searrow_i A_1$  otherwise.

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#### Lemma

For (n, k)-ranking A and (n - 1, k) ranking  $A_0$  and  $A_1$ , we have  $A = A_0 \nearrow_n A_1$  if and only if the colors and vertex labeling of three ranking are consistent and following condition: for each  $c \in \mathbb{Z}_2^{n-1}$  and pair of  $s_0 = inc(c, 0 \rightarrow n)$  and  $s_1 = inc(c, 1 \rightarrow n)$  that at least one of  $s_0$  or  $s_1$  is a sink, we have  $|h(s_0) - h(s_1)| = 1$ 

#### The counting of ranking

- Start with ranking of  $R(I_c^1)$ .
- Given the ranking of  $R(I_c^{n-1})$ , iterate all pair of ranking (A, B) in  $R(I_c^{n-1}) \times R(I_c^{n-1})$ 
  - Consider ranking B' identical to B and  $h_{B'}(\vec{0}) = h_B(\vec{0}) + 1$
  - 2 For each sink  $s \in S(A) \cup S(B')$ , verify  $|h_A(s) h_{B'}(s)| = 1$
  - S If true, put  $A \nearrow_n B'$  in  $R(I_c^n)$ .

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By natural orientation on X induce a cyclic permutation of edge attached to each point. Denote the local rotation of black by  $g_0$  and of white by  $g_1$ . The group  $\langle g_0, g_1 \rangle$  is called *monodromy group* G. Note that fixed point of  $g_{\infty}^{I} = (g_0g_1)^{-I}$  is 2*I*-gon.

## Monodromy group of Hypercube

We take the graph  $I_c^n$  and the cyclic ordering of black point to be (123...n)



The faces are 4-gons, and there're  $2^n$  vertices,  $n2^{n-1}$  edges and  $n2^{n-2}$  faces, so genus is  $1 + (n-4)2^{n-3}$ 

We would also like to find the "universal covering" for these embeddings. We consider the upper half plane  $\mathcal{U}$  in hyperbolic geometry and the modular group  $\Gamma = PSL_2(\mathbb{Z})$  consists of the Möbius transform

$$T: z \mapsto rac{az+b}{cz+d}, (a,b,c,d \in \mathbb{Z}, ad-bc=1).$$

Now we acts transitively on  $P^1(\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ , so we consider the extended hyperbolic plane

$$\bar{\mathcal{U}} = \mathcal{U} \cup \mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$$

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Which edge are hyperbolic geodesic combining a/b and c/d, where  $ad - bc = \pm 1$ . *a* and *c* has different parity, thus bipartite.

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## The Belyi pair

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The map  $\beta : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{B}_1$  is from the graph to a line in  $\Sigma \cong \overline{\mathcal{U}}/\Gamma(2)$ , which is a sphere.  $(X, \beta)$  is called Belyi pair, ramified at most on  $\{0, 1, \infty\}$ .

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#### Jones, 1997

Belyi pair  $(X_n, \beta)$  for *n*-cube factors through  $(B_n, \beta)$ ,  $B_n$  is  $\Sigma \cong \mathbb{CP}^1$  with one vertex at 0, one at  $\infty$  and one edge of each color connecting these vertices with angle  $\frac{2\pi i}{n}$ , the Belyi map is

$$\tilde{\beta}(x) = \frac{x^n}{x^n + 1}$$

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### Inverse covering

The Belyi pair for (n, k) Adinkra  $(X_{(n,k}, \beta_k)$  and  $(X_n, \beta)$  has the following factor through property:



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## Kasteleyn Orientation and Spin Structure

A Kasteleyn Orientiation for graph G embedded in X is an orientation of edge so that you go around the boundary of X counterclockwise you go against odd number of edges.



This straightly fit odd dashing.

Cimasoni, Reshetikhin, 2007

The Kasteleyn Orientation corresponds to spin structure on X.

A super Riemann surface X is locally  $\mathbb{C}^{1|1}$  (Locally  $(x, \theta)$  with  $x\theta = \theta x, \theta^2 = 0$ ) and whose tangent bundle TX has a totally nonintegrable 0|1 subbundle  $\mathcal{D}$ . (This means  $\frac{1}{2}\{\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}\}$  is independent of  $\mathcal{D}$ ) A typical example is D takes the form  $D_{\theta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ . Now  $D_{\theta^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ , and  $D_{\theta}, D\theta^2$  span TX. The superconformal change of coordinate is

$$ilde{Z} = u(z) + heta\eta(z)\sqrt{u'(z)}, ilde{ heta} = \eta(z) + heta\sqrt{u'(z) + \eta(z)\eta'(z)}$$

Now we need on  $U_{\alpha}$  and  $U_{\beta}$ ,  $z_{\alpha} = u_{\alpha\beta}(z_{\beta})$ ,  $\theta_{\alpha} = [u'_{\alpha\beta}]^{1/2}\theta_{\beta}$ . A choice of sign correspond to spin structure. Thus odd dashing implies super Riemann.

## Future development

- Which Adinkraic representation is irreducible?
- When two adinkras are isomorphic?
- I How to interpret Clifford algebra in Adinkras?
- How to generalize to  $\mathfrak{po}^{p|q}$ ?

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