

# Computing with Tube Categories

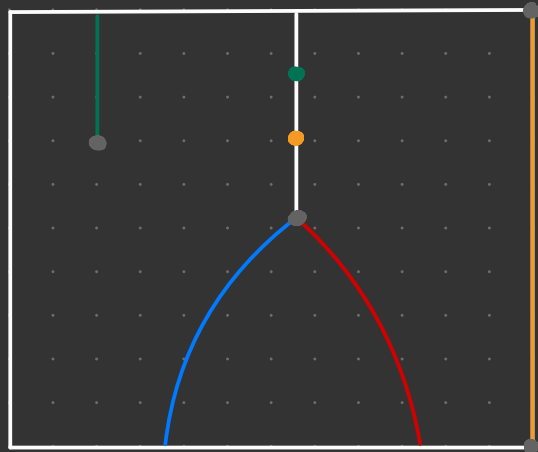
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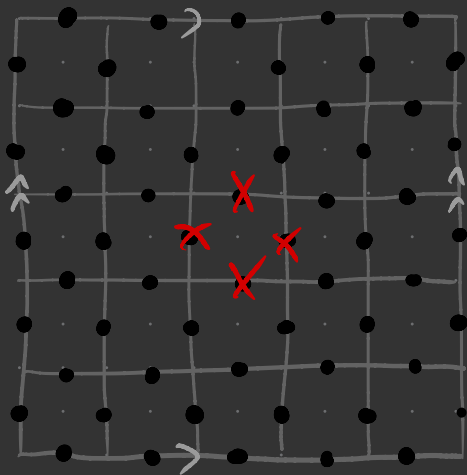
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$$\| \circ \rangle^{\otimes N}$$

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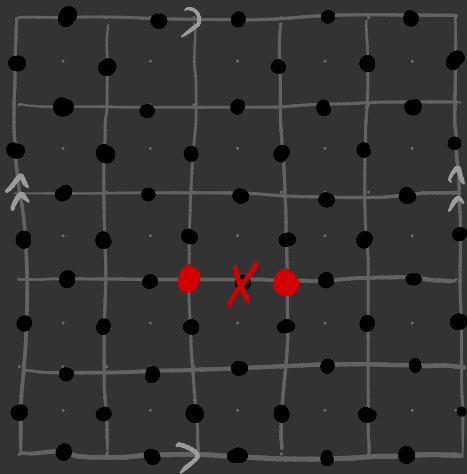
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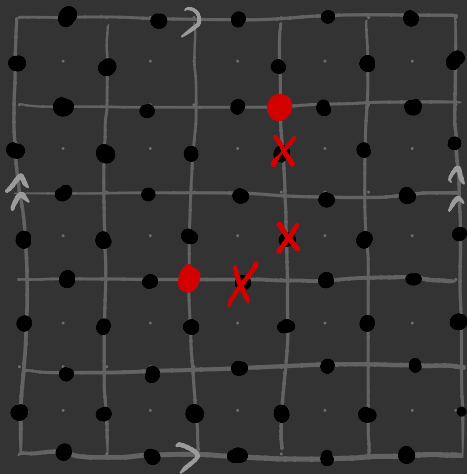


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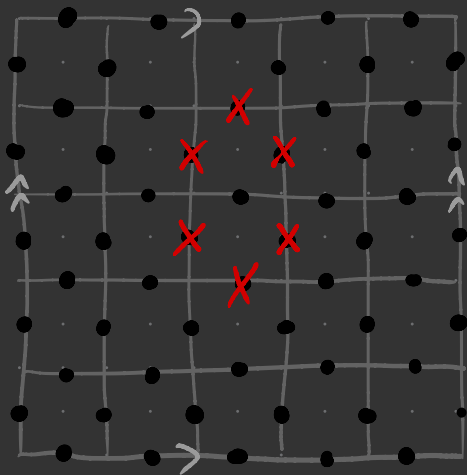
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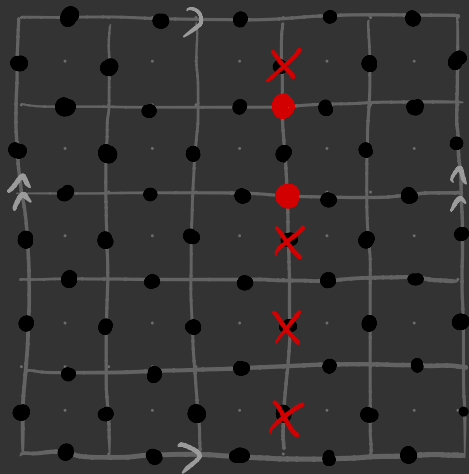
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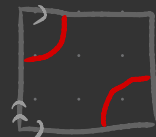
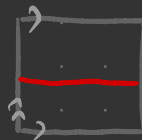
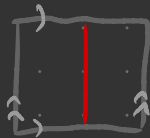
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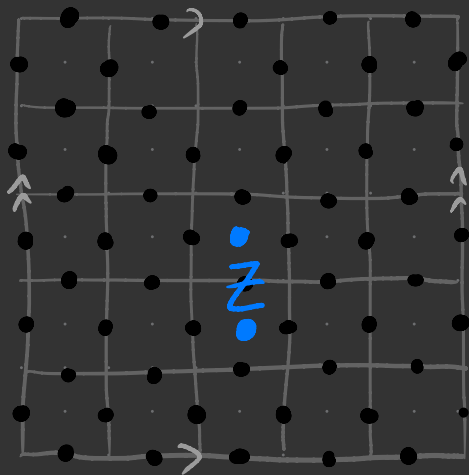
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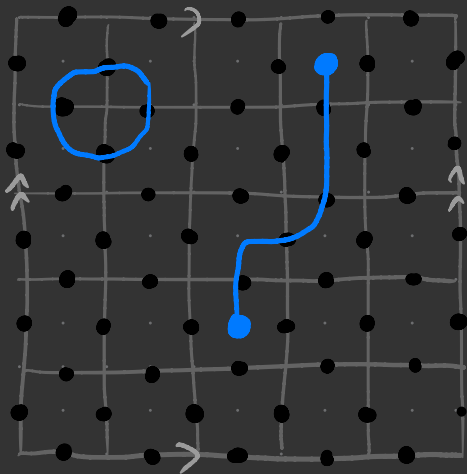
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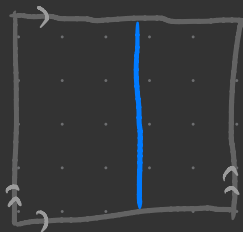
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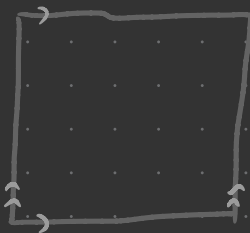
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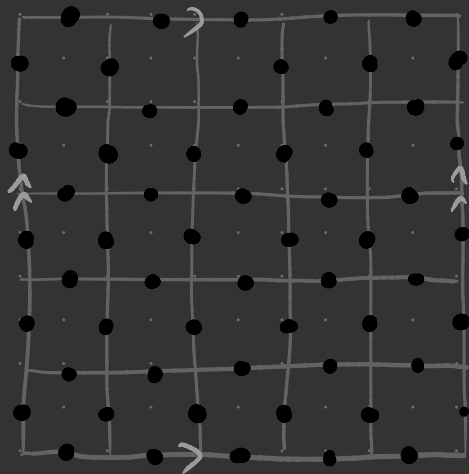
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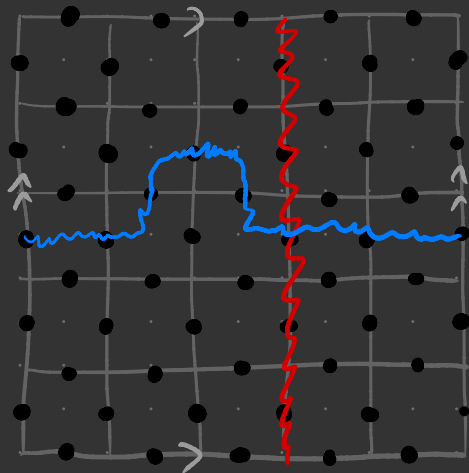
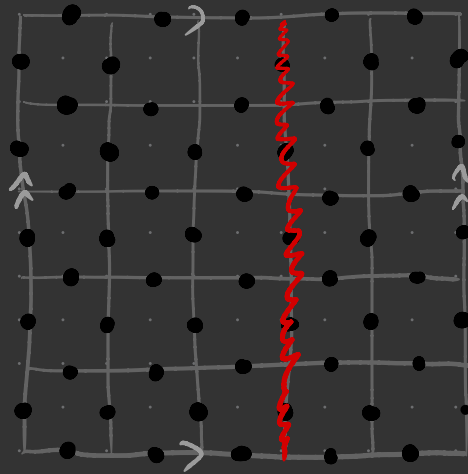
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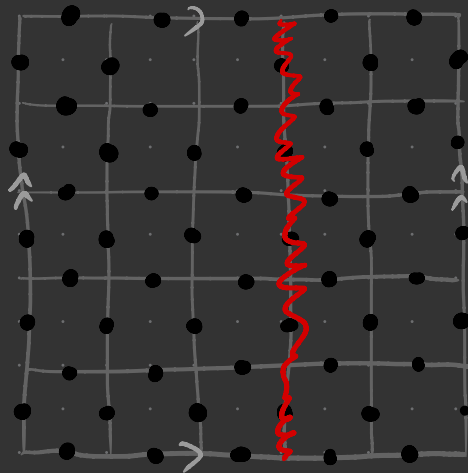




$X_L$



$= (-1)$



# Toric Code with boundaries

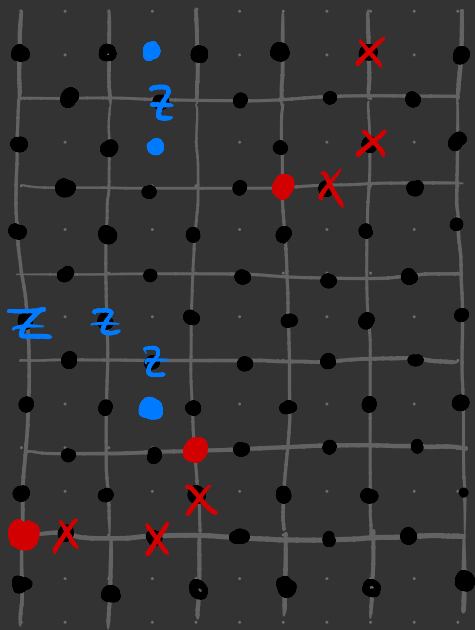
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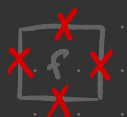
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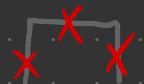
$$H = - \sum_f$$



$$- \sum_v$$



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$$- \sum_v$$



Ground states :



$|0\rangle$

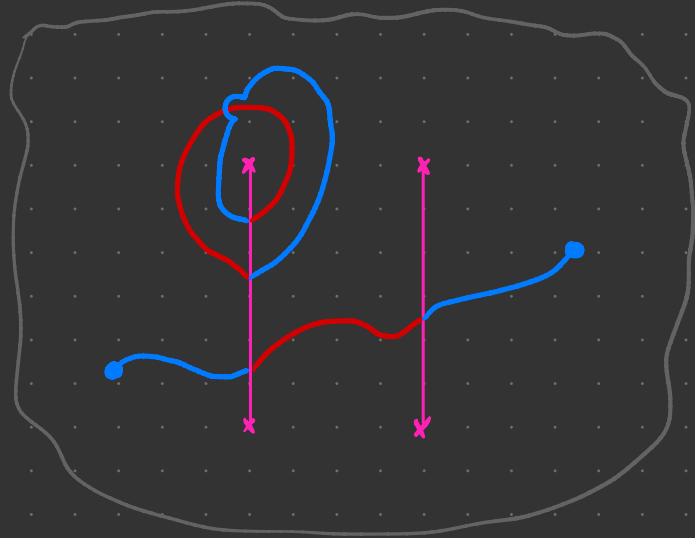
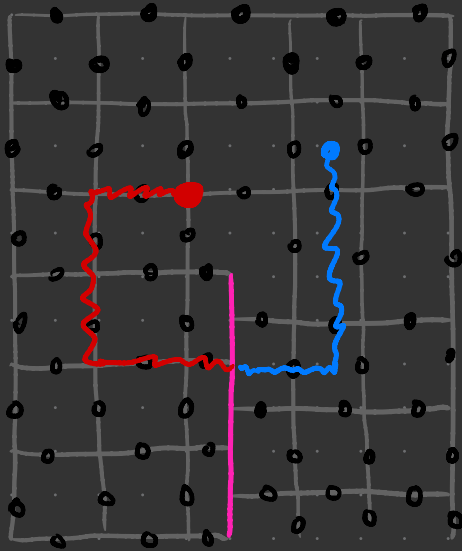


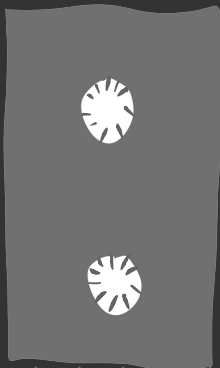
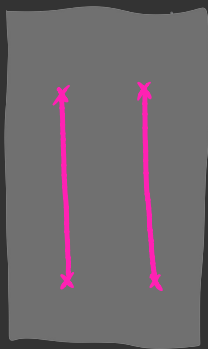
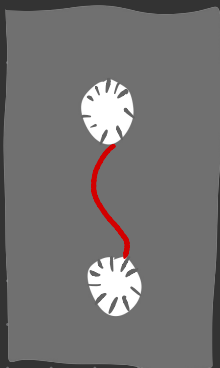
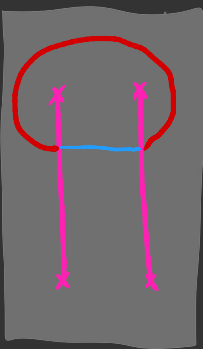
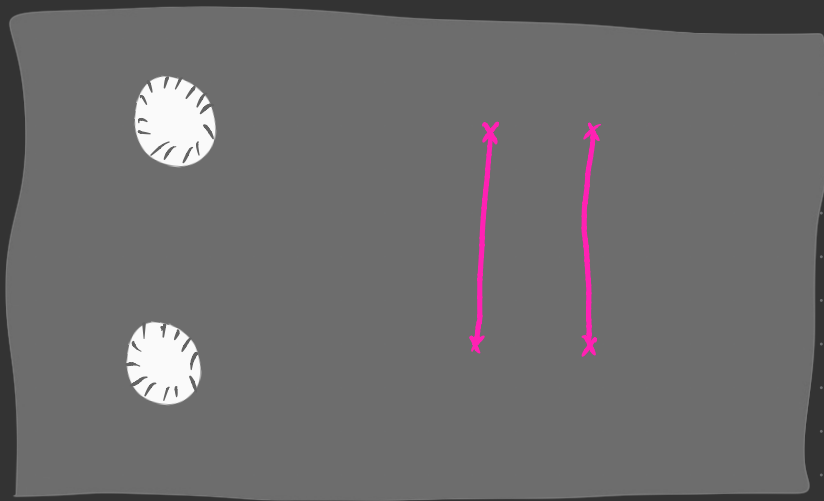
$|1\rangle$

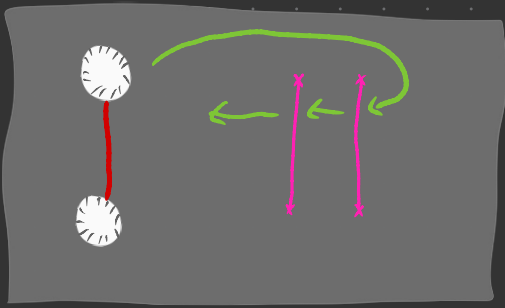
# Toric Code with defects

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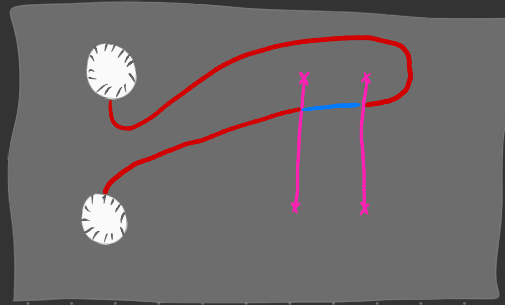
$$- \sum_f \square_{f, Z} - \sum_v \square_{v, X}$$



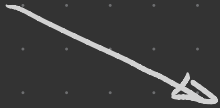
$|0\rangle$  $|1\rangle$  $|0\rangle$  $|1\rangle$  $|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$



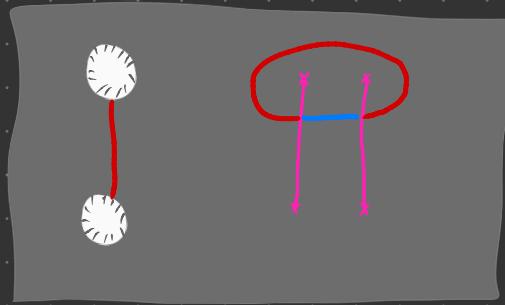
$|10\rangle$

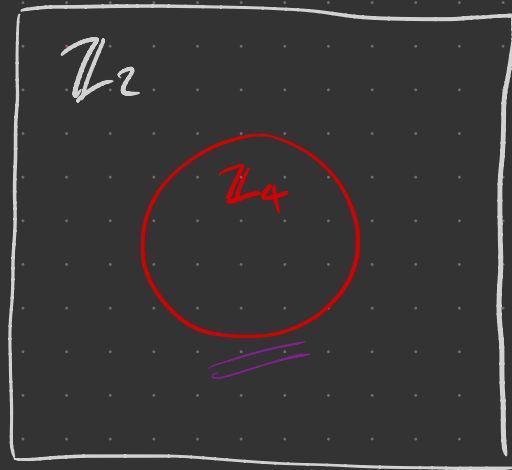
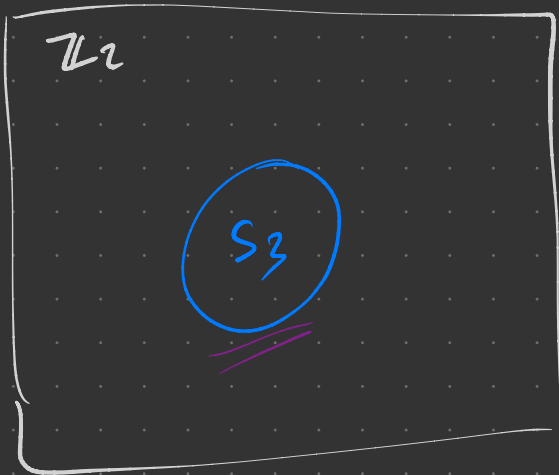


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$|11\rangle$





$$\mathbb{Z}_2 \mid S_3 \mid \mathbb{Z}_2 \equiv \mathbb{Z}_2 \quad \mathbb{Z}_2$$

→ Adding defects to topological codes  
can be useful for quantum computing.

→ To design QC schemes, need to know many  
properties of the defect theory.

Fusion Cat  $e$

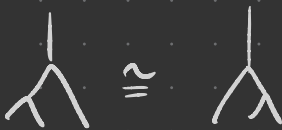


Lattice model with excitations

$Z(e)$



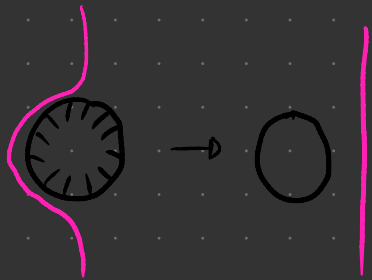
Fusion Cat



Domain Wall/Boundary  
(Bi)Module Cat



# Fusing domain walls



$$\mathcal{M} \otimes_e \mathcal{N} \cong \text{Kar}(\text{Lad}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N})) \cong \text{Reps of } \text{Lad}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N})$$

$\text{Lad}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N})$  : objects  $(m, n)$

$\text{Hom}((m, n), (p, q))$  :



$\text{Kar}(e)$  : objects :  $(A, e: A \rightarrow A) \quad e^2 = e$

(classes of) simples in  $\mathcal{M} \otimes_e \mathcal{N} \longleftrightarrow$  Irreducible representations.

$\mathcal{C} = \text{Vec } \mathbb{Z}_2$  (Toric Code)

6 bimodules

	T	L	R	F <sub>0</sub>	X <sub>1</sub>	F <sub>1</sub>
T	2T	T	ZR	R	T	R
L	ZL	L	ZF <sub>0</sub>	F <sub>0</sub>	L	F <sub>0</sub>
R	T	ZT	R	ZR	R	T
F <sub>0</sub>	L	ZL	F <sub>0</sub>	ZF <sub>0</sub>	F <sub>0</sub>	L
X <sub>1</sub>	T	L	R	F <sub>0</sub>	X <sub>1</sub>	F <sub>1</sub>
F <sub>1</sub>	L	T	F <sub>0</sub>	R	F <sub>1</sub>	X <sub>1</sub>

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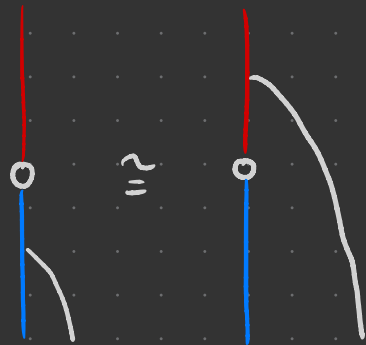
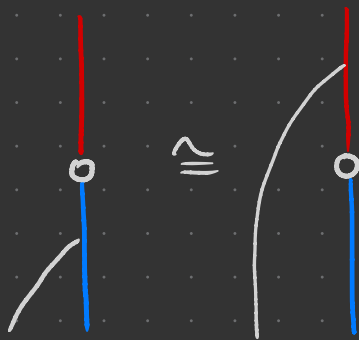
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$X_1 = \text{---} \quad F_1 = \text{---} | \text{---}$

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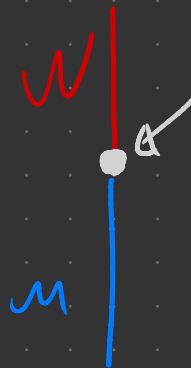
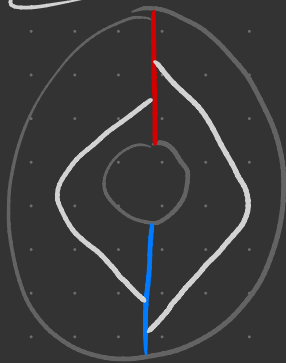
2 ground states

# Point defects $\leftrightarrow$ (Bi) module functors



## Tube categories

Hom :



Representations  
of  
 $\text{Tub}(m, n)$

Vertical fusion = Functor composition

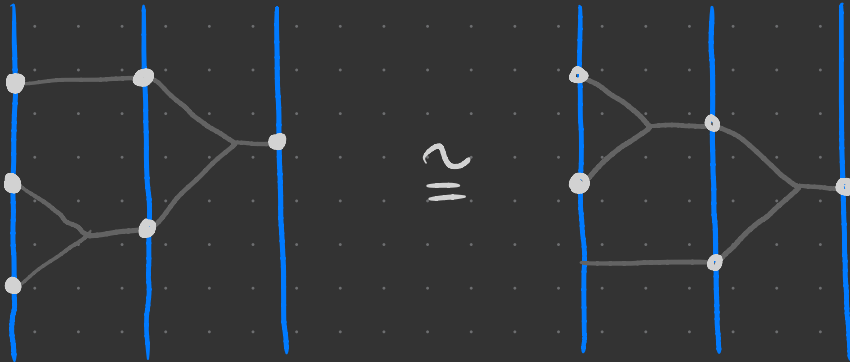
$$e \curvearrowright \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow \text{End}_c(\mathcal{M}) \cong_{\text{ME}} e$$

$$\mathcal{H}_3 \curvearrowright \mathcal{M}$$

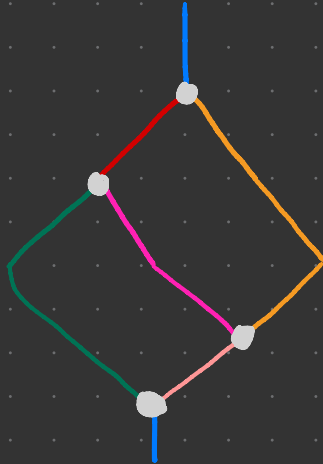
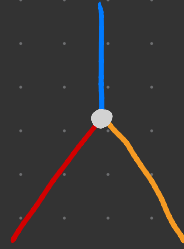
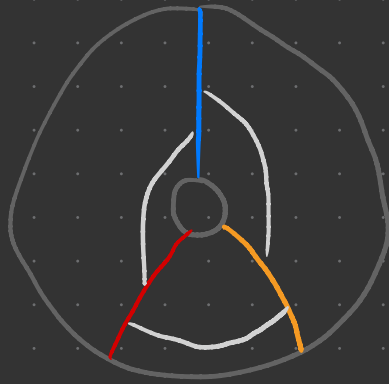
$\text{End}(\mathcal{M})$ :

$1$	$\nu$	$\eta$	$\mu$
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$\eta$	$2\nu + \eta + \mu$	$1 + \nu + \eta + \mu$	$\nu + \eta$
$\mu$	$\nu + \eta + \mu$	$\nu + \eta$	$1 + \nu$

$$\begin{array}{c} b \\ \bullet \\ a \\ \bullet \end{array} \Big| \cong \sum_c N_{ab}^c \Big| \bullet$$



# Gauging Obstructions



$\cong$



First ENO obstruction  $\mathcal{O}_3$   
 Vanishes for  $\mathbb{Z}_p, S_3$

→ Representations of (defect) picture algebras

let you compute many things by manipulating matrix algebras.

→ Lattice agnostic  $\rightsquigarrow$  Simplifies understanding what's possible in a given topo. context

→ Rule out universality for 'simple' input  $\ell$ ?

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