

Realizing Fractional Chern Insulators in Dipolar Spin Systems

(or What are quantum computers good at?)

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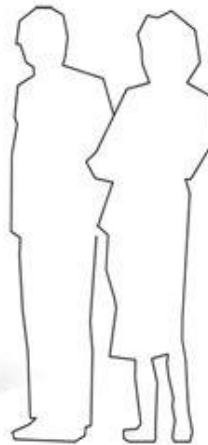
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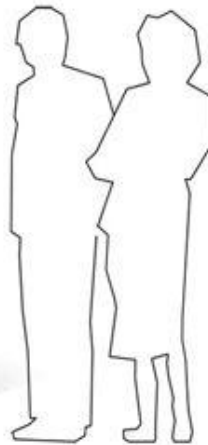
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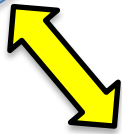
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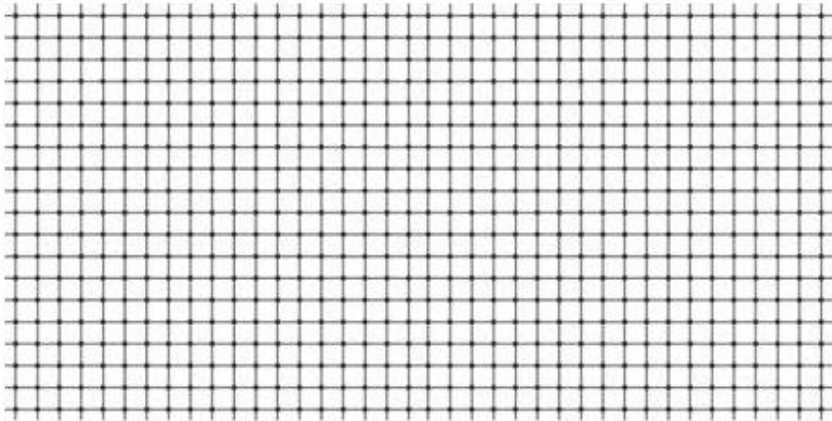
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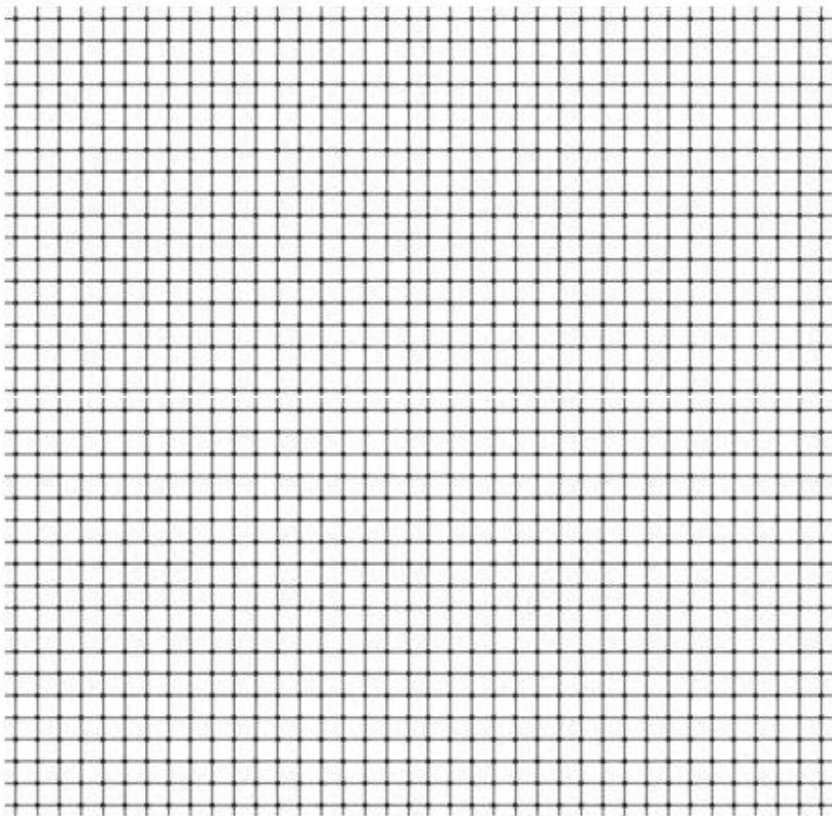
Computational Science: Complexity

* Use computational techniques to solve problems



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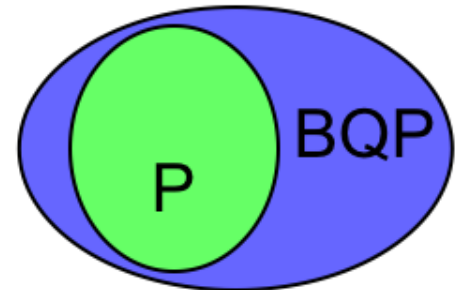
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Computational Science: Complexity

Complexity theory classifies problems according to the scaling of the resources a computer requires to solve large instances

- P -- solvable in polynomial time by a classical computer
- BQP -- solvable in polynomial time by a quantum computer



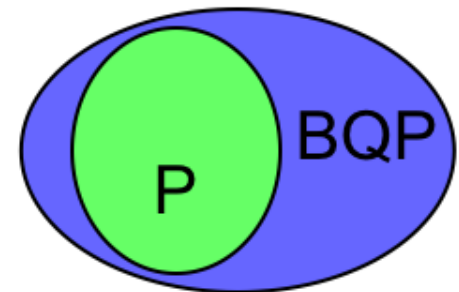
P and BQP

Can identify efficiently solvable (easy!) problems directly:
find polynomial time algorithms

- Classical (P):
 - Addition, Multiplication,
Sorting Lists
- Quantum (BQP):
 - Is there a factor $1 < p < m$ of the
integer N ?

Arithmetic ~500AD

Shor 1994

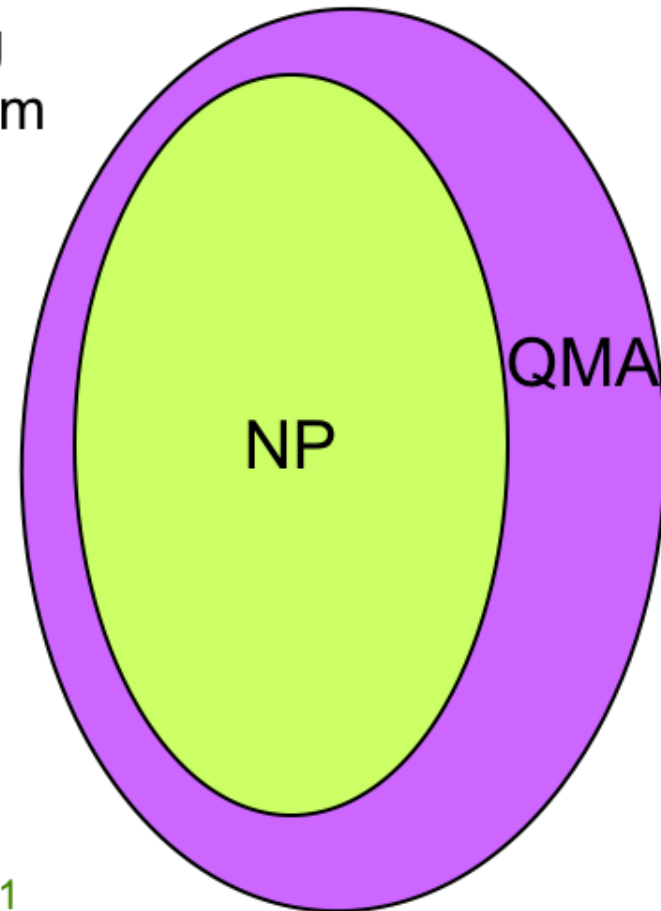


NP and QMA

Identify reasonable problems by finding polynomial time algorithms to check them

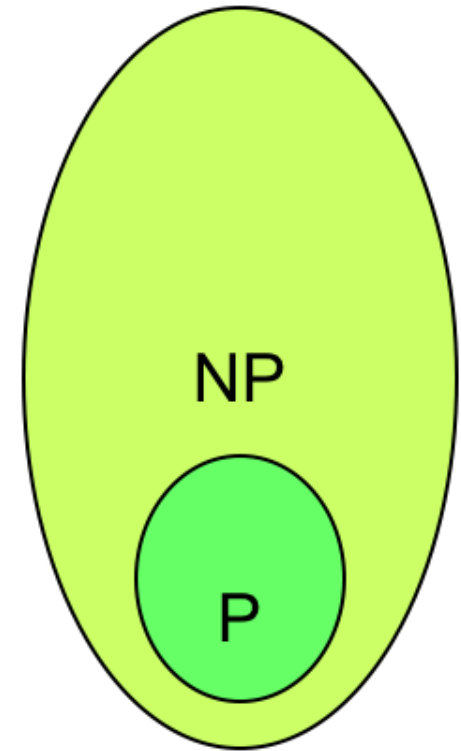
- NP -- checkable in poly time by a classical computer
 - Traveling salesman problem
- QMA -- checkable in poly time by a quantum computer
 - Is the ground state energy of a local Hamiltonian below E ?

Kitaev 2001



$P \neq NP$

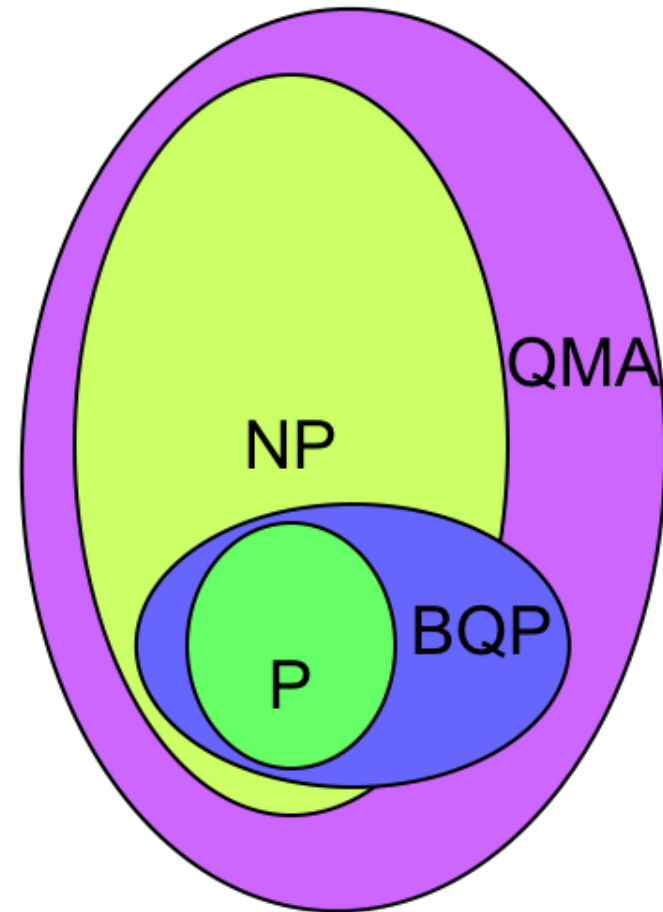
There are hard problems.*



* Conjecture

$P \neq NP$

There are hard problems.*
(even with quantum computers)

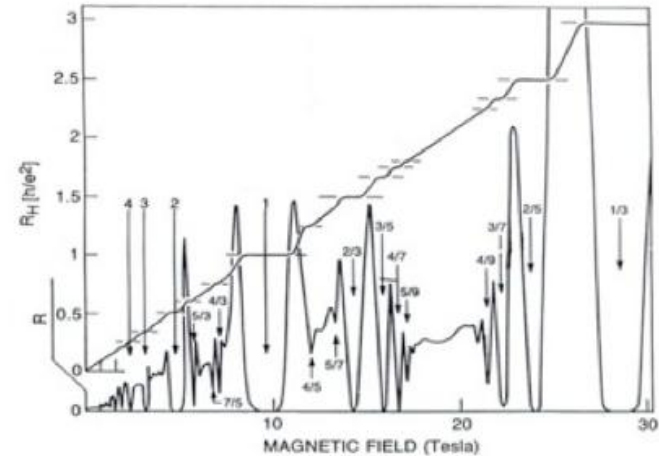
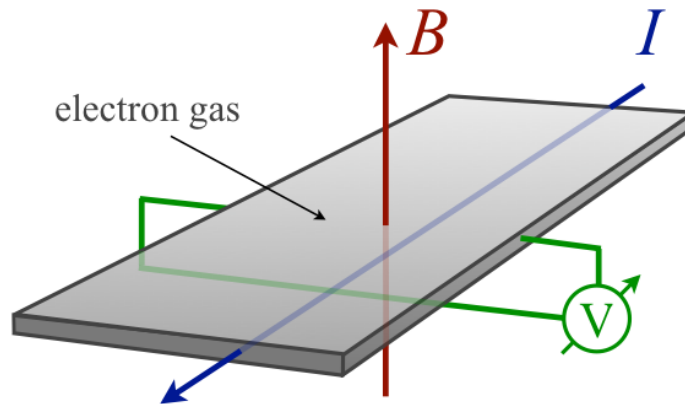


* Conjecture

Quantum Simulation

* Use quantum computer to simulate real-world quantum systems

Fractional Quantum Hall Effect



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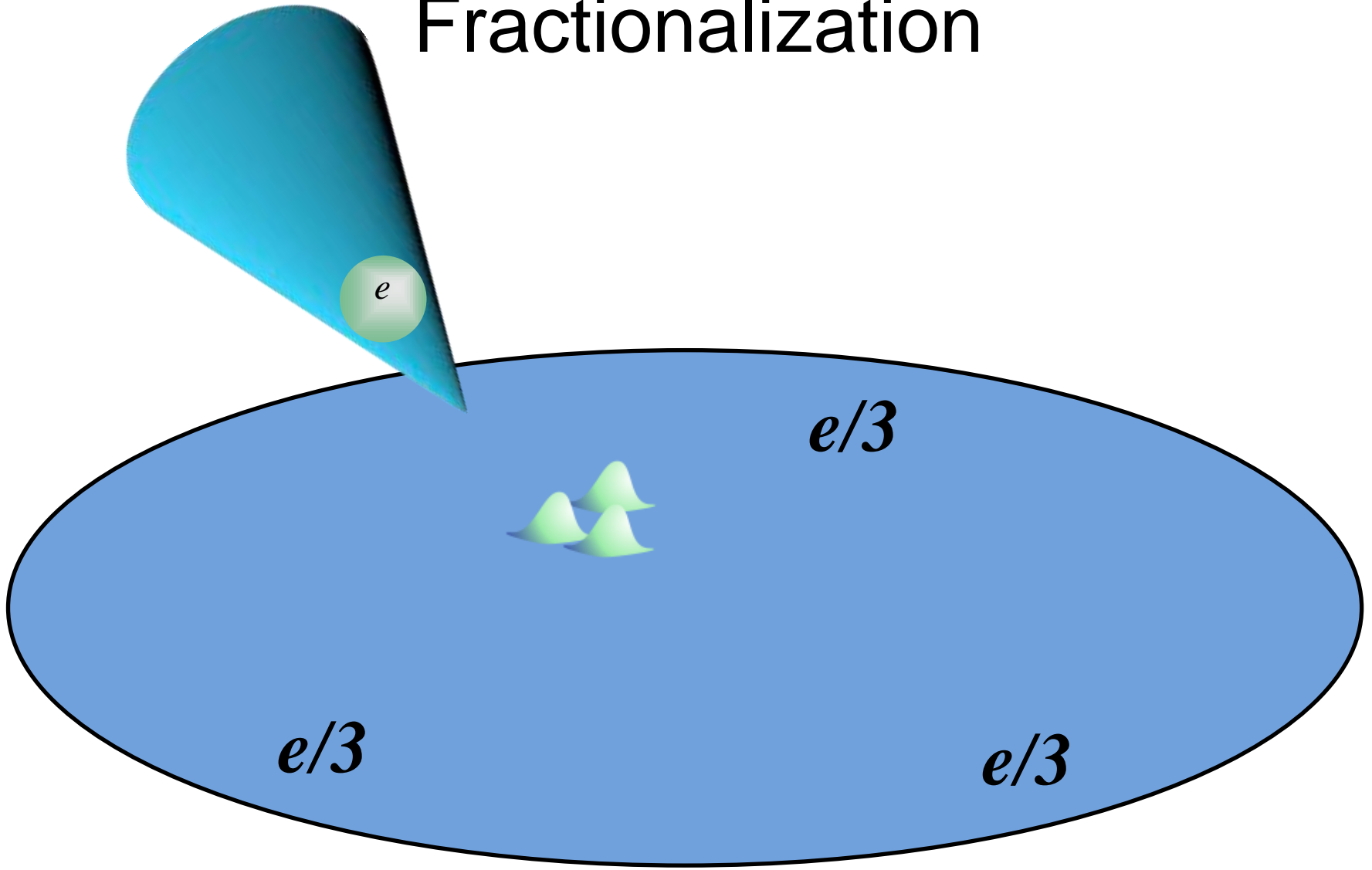
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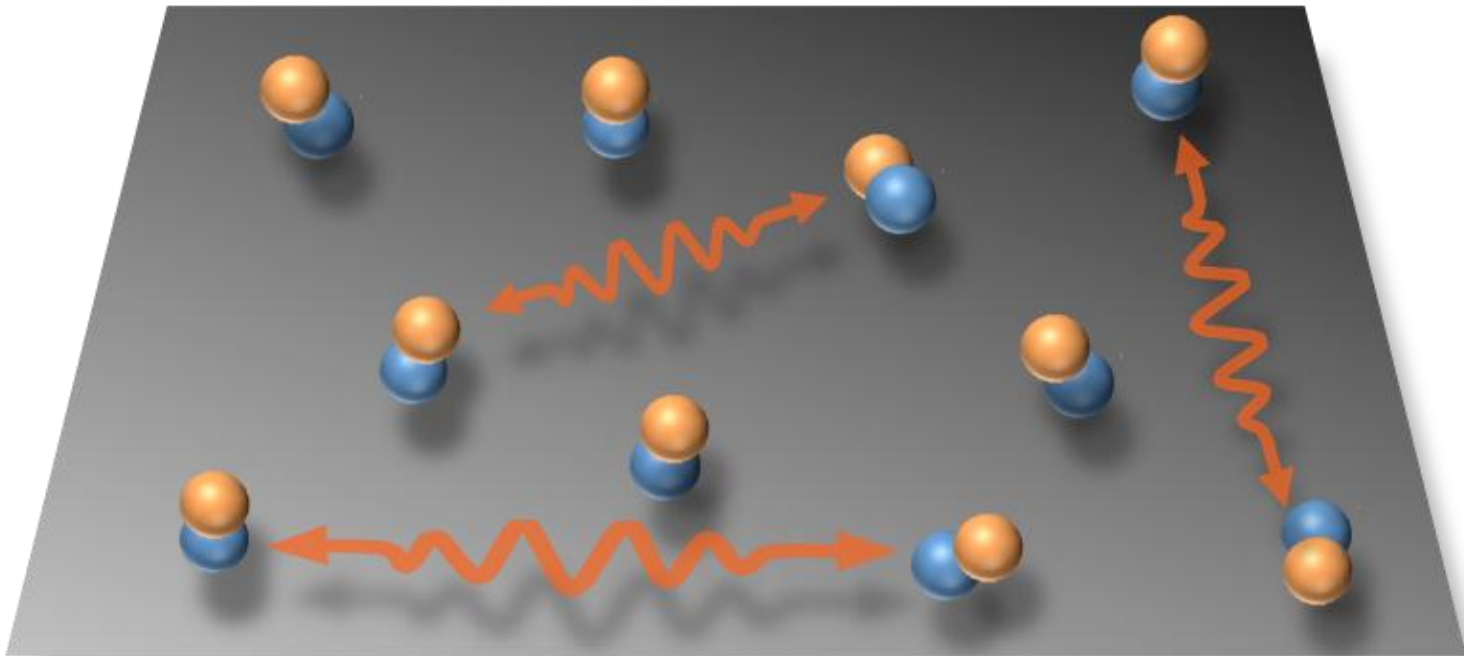
- 1) Electrons
- 2) Strong Magnetic Field

Fractionalization



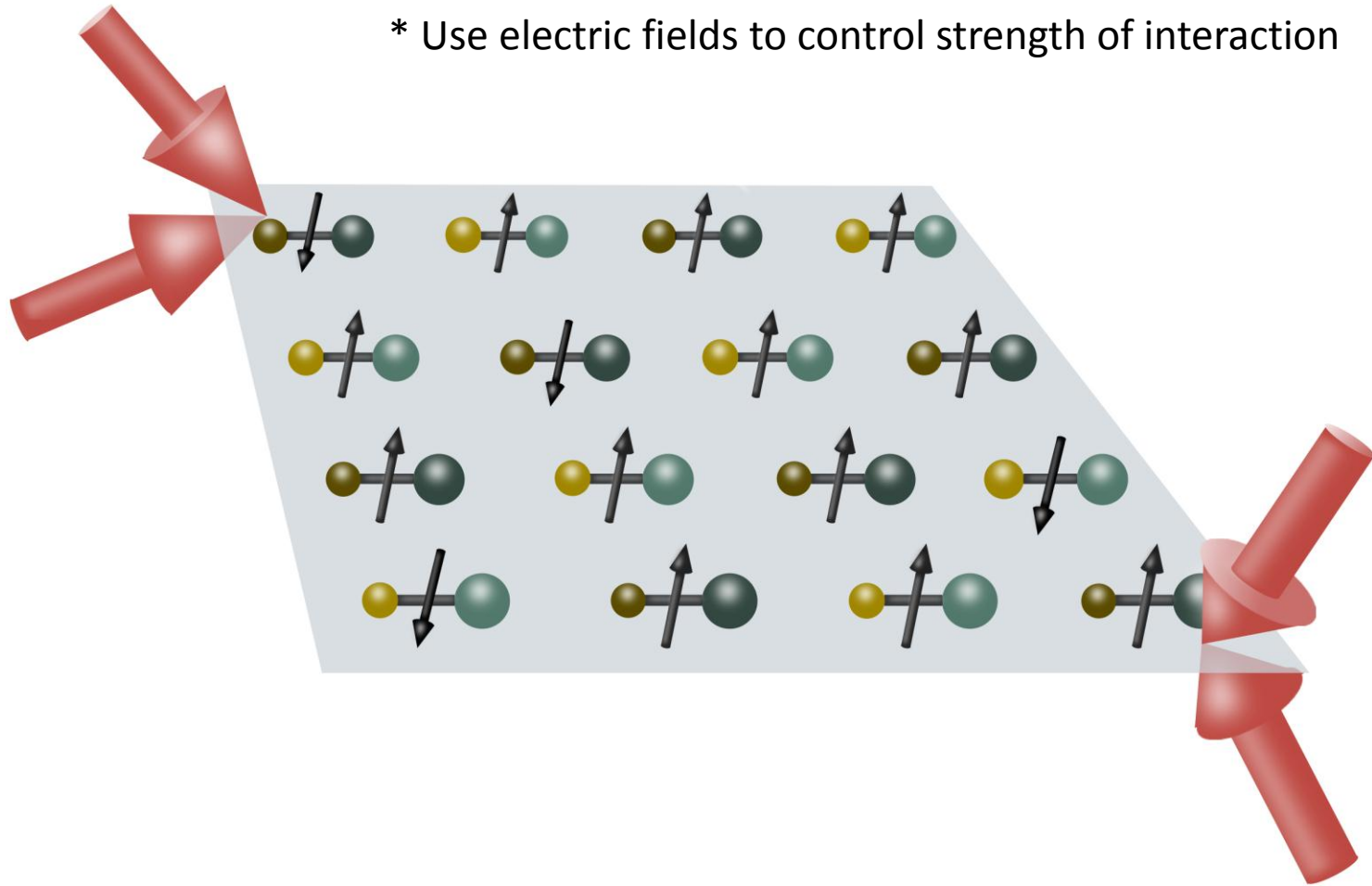
Quantum Simulator of Molecules

$$H_{\text{tot}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\kappa}{R_{ij}^3} \left[\mathbf{d}_i \cdot \mathbf{d}_j - 3(\mathbf{d}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij})(\mathbf{d}_j \cdot \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{ij}) \right]$$

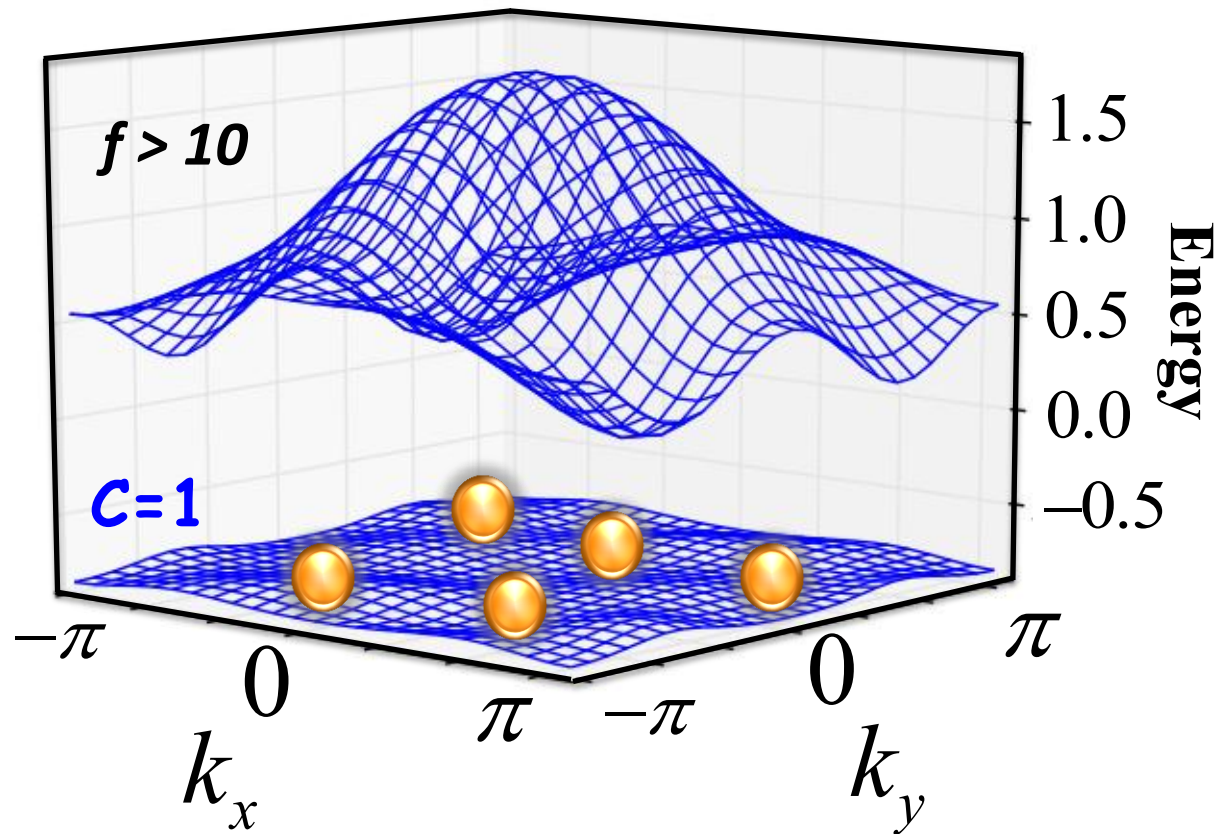


From Dipoles to Electrons

- * Use optical fields to control the way molecules interaction
- * Use electric fields to control strength of interaction

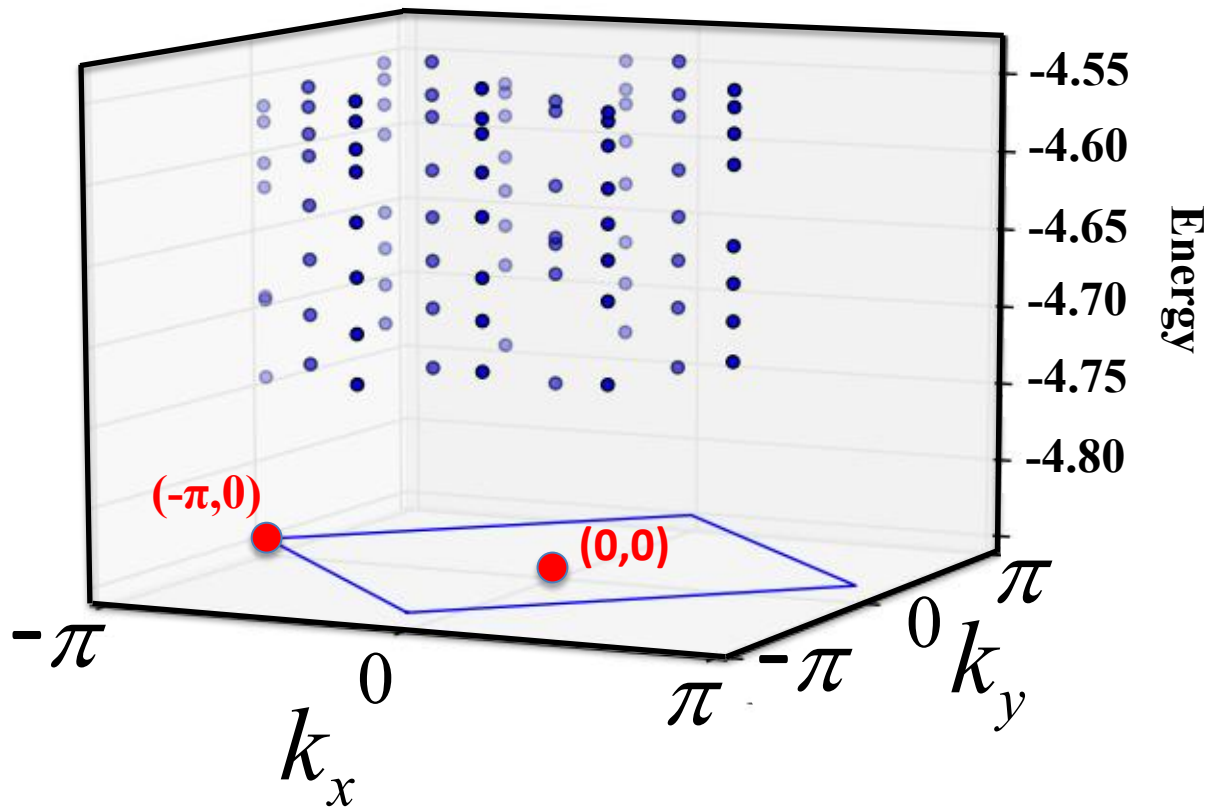


Band-structure of Dipoles

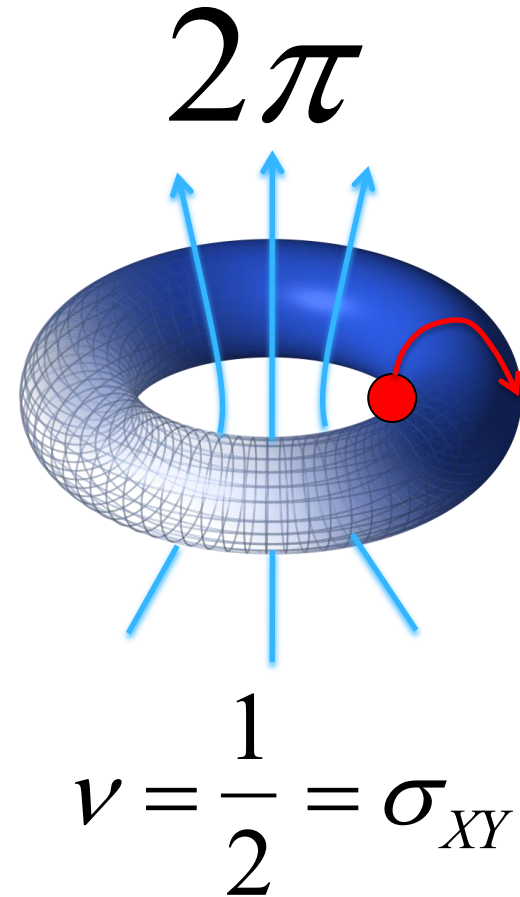


Signatures of Fractionalization

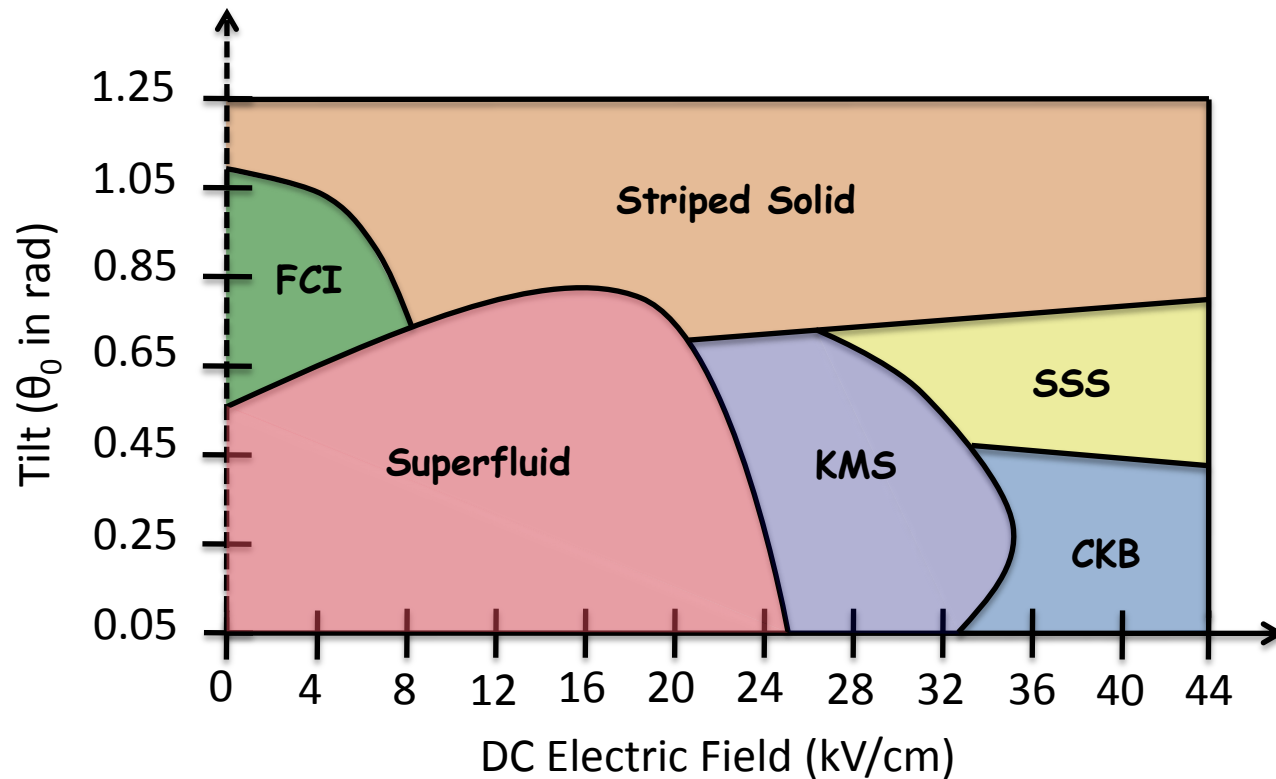
- 1) Two degenerate ground states on a torus



24 Sites, 6 Particles (Finite size scaling up to 44 sites)



Competing Phases



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