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Path integral representation of a two qubit system¹ JUSTIN WIL-SON, VICTOR GALITSKI, University of Maryland — In the path integral representation of a one qubit system, extra degrees of freedom are needed to pass from the Hamiltonian formulation to the path integral (Lagrangian) formulation. This leads to a topological term in the Lagrangian much like a Wess-Zumino term. Such a term is topological and is related to the Hopf fibration of S^3 by S^1 over S^2 (and indeed this term appears even when the Hamiltonian is zero). There is an analogous Hopf fibration for the two qubit state from S^7 by S^3 over S^4 . We explore how this is related to the topological term in the path integral formulation for two qubit systems.

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