

Lecture 3

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- M smooth, oriented 3-manifold (w/ or w/out ∂).
- A framed link in M is an embedding

$$\alpha: \coprod S^1 \times (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow M.$$



- $\mathcal{L}_M =$ Isotopy classes of framed links in M .

$\mathbb{C}\mathcal{L}_M = \mathbb{C}$ -vector space generated by \mathcal{L}_M .

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \alpha_i, \quad c_i \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \alpha_i \in \mathcal{L}_M.$$

Kauffman bracket skein module (Przytycki, Turaev).

$$S_q(M) = \mathbb{C}\mathcal{L}_M[q] / \text{① ②}$$

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=-m}^n a_i q^i, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{C}\mathcal{L}_M$$

$\mathbb{C}\mathcal{L}_M[q] =$ ring of Laurent polynomials

in q w/ coefficients in $\mathbb{C}\mathcal{L}_M$.

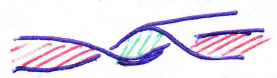
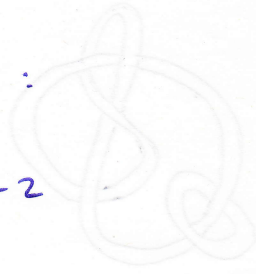
① Kauffman bracket skein relation:


$$\text{X} = q \text{Y} + q^{-1} \text{Z}$$

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vertical framing

② Framing relation:

$$\bigcirc = -q^2 - q^{-2}$$



and  differ by a twist

$$\boxed{\text{Knot} = -q^3 \text{Arc}}$$

$$\textcircled{1} = q \text{Arc} + q^{-1} \text{Arc}$$

$$\textcircled{2} = (q - q^2 - q^{-2}) + q^{-1}$$

$$= -q^3 \text{Arc}, \text{ Similarly } \boxed{\text{Knot} = -q^{-3} \text{Arc}}$$

$q = -1, \mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q} = \cap$ ~~invariant under m~~

$q = 1, \mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q} = -\cap \iff \text{Spin structure}$

$M = S^3, S_q(S^3) \rightsquigarrow$ Jones polynomial

\rightsquigarrow Khovanov homology

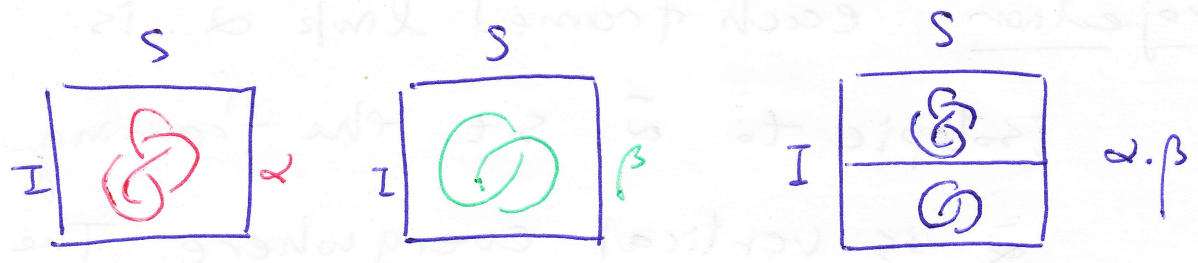
$M = \Sigma \times I, \Sigma$ smooth, oriented closed surface.

Notation: $S_q(\Sigma) = S_q(\Sigma \times I)$

link diagram.

There is a product \circ on $S_q(\Sigma)$: $\forall \alpha, \beta \in S_q(\Sigma)$

$\alpha \circ \beta =$ "stacking α above β along I ".



" \circ " linearly extends to $\mathbb{C} S_q(\Sigma)$, then to $\mathbb{C} S_q(\Sigma)[q]$.

Thm 1 (Przytycki). $(S_q(\Sigma), \circ)$ is a well defined associative $\mathbb{C}[q]$ -algebra.

pt: let \mathcal{I} be the submodule of $\mathbb{C} S_q(\Sigma)[q]$ generated by $\textcircled{1} \textcircled{2}$. It is easy to see that $\mathcal{I} \circ \mathbb{C} S_q(\Sigma)[q] \subset \mathcal{I}$.

$q = \pm 1$, " \circ " is commutative.

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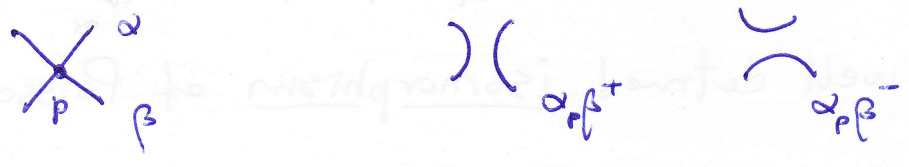
$S_{\pm 1}(\Sigma)$ could be considered as generated by the projections of framed links on Σ , that is, the regular isotopy classes of immersed loops on Σ .

projection: each framed link α is isotopic to $\bar{\alpha}$ s.t the framing of $\bar{\alpha}$ is vertical everywhere. The projection of α is $p_{\bullet} \bar{\alpha}$, where $p_{\bullet} : \Sigma \times I \rightarrow \Sigma$.

regular isotopy: two immersed loops α and β are regularly isotopic to each other if they are related by isotopy and the compositions of (m_2) and (m_3) .

There is a $\{, \} : S_{\pm 1}(\Sigma) \times S_{\pm 1}(\Sigma) \rightarrow S_{\pm 1}(\Sigma)$ by

$$\{ \alpha, \beta \} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p \in \alpha \cap \beta} (\alpha_p \beta^+ - \alpha_p \beta^-)$$



Thm 2 (Bullock - Frohman - Kania-B)

$(S_{\pm 1}(\Sigma), \cdot, \{, \})$ is a well defined Poisson algebra.

Pf: By deformation quantization (Thm 4)

Relationship w/ character variety...

Recall: $\pi = \pi_1(\Sigma), G = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$

$$\chi(\Sigma) = \text{Hom}(\pi, G) / G$$

$\mathcal{R}(\Sigma) =$ ring of regular functions on $\chi(\Sigma)$

$$= \text{span}_{\mathbb{C}} \{ \text{tr}_{\rho} \mid \rho \text{ conjugacy classes in } \pi \}$$

$$\{, \} : \mathcal{R}(\Sigma) \times \mathcal{R}(\Sigma) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(\Sigma)$$

$$\{ \text{tr}_{\alpha}, \text{tr}_{\beta} \} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p \in \alpha \cap \beta} \epsilon_{p, \alpha, \beta} (\text{tr}_{\alpha \beta^+} - \text{tr}_{\alpha \beta^-})$$

Thm 3 (Bullock, Przytycki-Sikora, Charles-Marché)


$$\begin{aligned} \text{The map } \mathbb{F} : S_1(\Sigma) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{R}(\Sigma) \\ \alpha &\longmapsto -\text{tr}_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

is a well defined isomorphism of Poisson algebras.

pf: Well definition: it's to verify

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \mathbb{F}(\text{X}) = \mathbb{F}(-\text{O}) - \mathbb{F}(\text{O})$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \mathbb{F}(\text{O}) = -2$$

For $\textcircled{1}$,  let $A = \rho(\alpha)$, $B = \rho(\beta)$.
 $\rho \in \text{Hom}(\pi_1, G)$.

$$\text{Then } \mathbb{F}(\text{X})(\rho) = -\text{tr } AB$$

$$\mathbb{F}(-\text{O}) - \mathbb{F}(\text{O})(\rho)$$

$$= -(-\text{tr } A)(-\text{tr } B) - (-\text{tr } AB^{-1})$$

$$= -\text{tr } A \text{tr } B + \text{tr } AB^{-1}$$

$$= -\text{tr } AB \quad (\text{tr } A \text{tr } B = \text{tr } AB^{-1} + \text{tr } AB)$$

$$\text{For } \textcircled{2}, \quad \mathbb{F}(\text{O})(\rho) = -\text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = -2$$

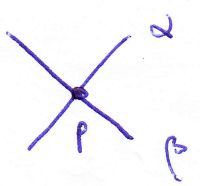
algebra homomorphism: it is to verify

$$\Phi(\text{diagram}) = \Phi(- \text{diagram} - \text{diagram})$$

$$\Phi(\text{diagram}) (\rho) = (-\text{tr } A) (-\text{tr } B) = \text{tr } A \cdot \text{tr } B$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(-)(-\text{diagram}) &= -(-\text{tr } AB) - (-\text{tr } AB^{-1}) \\ &= \text{tr } AB + \text{tr } AB^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

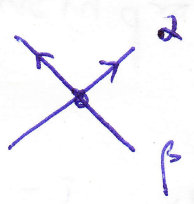
Poisson alg. homo.: observation



$$\epsilon(\rho; \alpha, \beta) (\alpha_r \beta^- - \alpha_r \beta) = -(\text{diagram}) (-\text{diagram})$$

no matter how α and β are oriented

Indeed,



$$\epsilon(\rho; \alpha, \beta) = 1$$

$$\alpha_r \beta^- = \text{diagram}, \quad \alpha_r \beta = \text{diagram}$$



$$\epsilon(\rho; \alpha, \beta) = -1$$

$$\alpha_r \beta^- = \text{diagram}, \quad \alpha_r \beta = \text{diagram}$$

Then compare the corresponding formulas.

Isomorphism

surjectivity: $\mathbb{F}(-\alpha) = -\text{tr}_\alpha, \forall \alpha$ conjugacy class in π_1 .

injectivity: hard part.

- ① Bullock: $\ker \mathbb{F}$ consists of nilpotent elements
- ② P-S: Claim no nilpotent elements w/ pf.
- ③ C-M: independent pf using Dehn's coordinates and Fourier transform

The Fourier coeff of trace functions read off the Dehn ~~coeff~~ coord of the loop. □

$g=1$.

Barret

Thm 3' (P-S, C-M) Given a spin structure sp , there is a Poisson algebra isomorphism

$$\mathbb{F}: S_1(\Sigma) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}(\Sigma)$$

$$\alpha \mapsto -(-1)^{\text{Sp}(\alpha)} \text{tr}_\alpha$$

key:

$$\mathcal{Q} = - \cap$$

$$\text{Sp}(\mathcal{Q}) = - \text{Sp}(\cap)$$

deformation quantization

• $\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ = ring of formal power series in \hbar .

\hbar -adic topology: $\forall a \in \mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$,

$\{a + \hbar^n \mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]\}$ form a nbhd basis.

• For a \mathbb{C} -vector space V ,

$V[[\hbar]] = \mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -module of f.p.s. w/
coefficients in V .

• A $\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -mod M is topologically free

if $\exists V$ s.t. $M \cong V[[\hbar]]$.

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isomorphism of topological $\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -mod.

• A deformation quantization of a Poisson alg $(A, \cdot, \{, \})$ is a $\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -alg. (A_\hbar, \cdot) w/ a \mathbb{C} -alg. homomorphism $\mathcal{O}: A_\hbar / \hbar A_\hbar \rightarrow A$ so that

① As a module, A_\hbar is topologically free

② $\forall a, b \in A$ and $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in A_\hbar$ so that $\mathcal{O}(\bar{a}) = a, \mathcal{O}(\bar{b}) = b$,

$$\{a, b\} = \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{\bar{a} \cdot \bar{b} - \bar{b} \cdot \bar{a}}{\hbar} \right)$$

Let $q = \pm e^{\frac{h}{4}}$, and consider

$$S_h(\Sigma) = \mathbb{C} \mathcal{I}_m(\mathbb{C}h) / \text{①②}$$

Thm 1 (Bullock - Frohman - Kania - B).

$(S_h(\Sigma), \cdot)$ is a deformation quantization of $(S_{\pm 1}(\Sigma), \cdot, \{, \})$.

Pf. For ①, we need

link diagram: a (possibly empty) 4-valent graph in Σ w/ over-crossings and under-crossings.

state: a link diagram w/out crossings and trivial loops.

$\mathcal{B} = \mathbb{C}$ -v.s generated by the isotopy classes of states.

We claim:

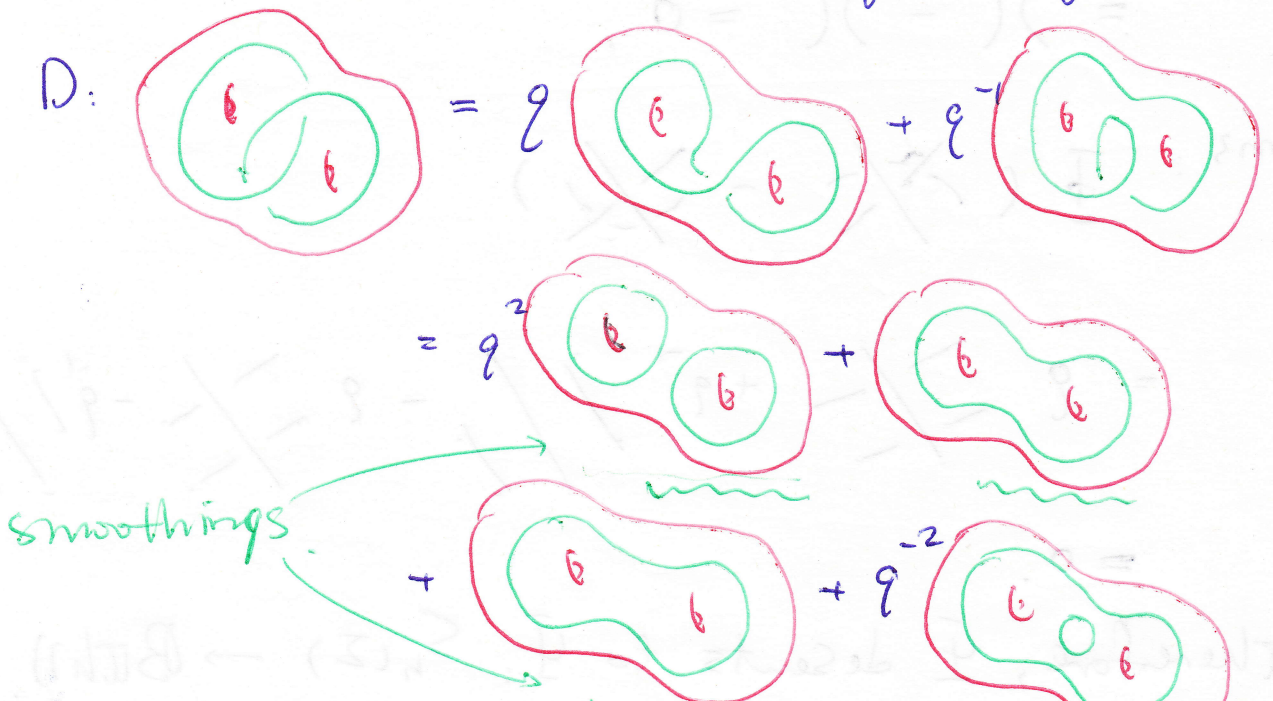
$$S_h(\Sigma) \cong \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{C}h)$$

Indeed, let \mathcal{D} be the \mathbb{C} -vector space generated by isotopy classes of link diagrams, then

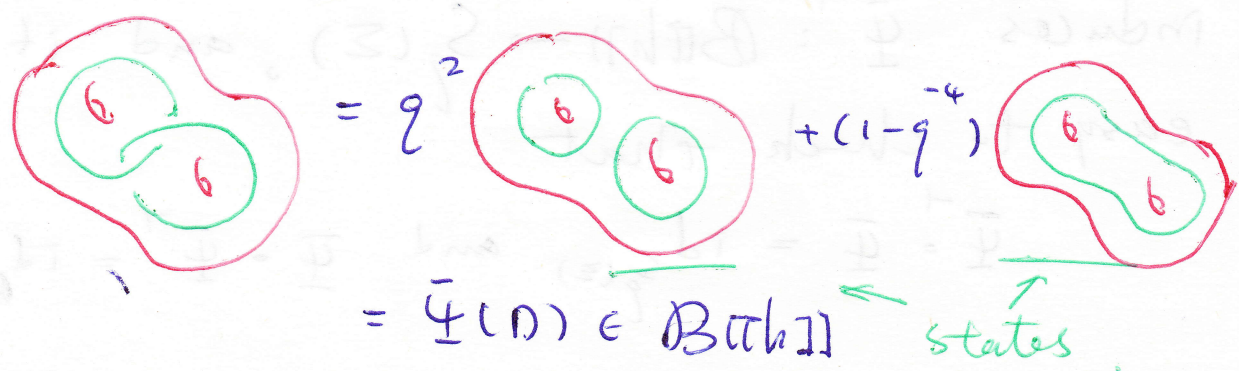
$$S_h(\Sigma) \cong \mathcal{D}[\hbar] / \langle \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}, m_2, m_3 \rangle$$

Define $\bar{\Psi} : \mathcal{D}[\hbar] \rightarrow \mathcal{B}[\hbar]$ as follows

Step 1: resolve all the crossings using $\textcircled{1}$.



Step 2: send trivial loops to $-q^2 - q^{-2}$ by $\textcircled{2}$.



We have $\bar{\Phi}(①, ②, m_2, m_3) = 0$.

$\bar{\Phi}(①, ②) = 0$ is tautological.

$$m_2: \bar{\Phi}(\text{diagram 1} - \text{diagram 2}) = q \text{diagram 3} + q \text{diagram 4} - \text{diagram 5}$$

$$= q^2 \text{diagram 6} + \text{diagram 7} + \text{diagram 8} + q^{-2} \text{diagram 9} - \text{diagram 10}$$

$$= \text{diagram 11} - \text{diagram 12} = 0.$$

$$m_3: \bar{\Phi}(\text{diagram 13} - \text{diagram 14})$$

$$= q \text{diagram 15} + q^{-1} \text{diagram 16} - q \text{diagram 17} - q^{-1} \text{diagram 18}$$

$$= 0.$$


Therefore, $\bar{\Phi}$ descends to $\bar{\Psi}: S_n(\Sigma) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{h})$.

On the other hand, the inclusion $\mathcal{B} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}$

induces $\bar{\Psi}^{-1}: \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{h}) \rightarrow S_g(\Sigma)$, and it is easy to check that

$$\bar{\Psi}^{-1} \circ \bar{\Psi} = \text{id}_{S_g(\Sigma)} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\Psi} \circ \bar{\Psi}^{-1} = \text{id}_{\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{h})}$$

For (b), we need

A smoothing S_0 of a link diagram D is a link diagram obtained from D w/ all crossings resolved. e.g.  on P_{II} .

• If D has k crossings, then there are 2^k different smoothings.

• For each S_0 , let

$$\left. \begin{aligned} p(S_0) &= \# \text{ of positive resolutions} \\ n(S_0) &= \# \text{ of negative resolutions} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ to get } S_0 \text{ from } D.$$

Now for $\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta} \in \mathbb{C}L_m$, let

$$D = \text{link diagram of } \bar{\alpha} \cup \bar{\beta}.$$

We have

$$\bar{\alpha} \cdot \bar{\beta} - \bar{\beta} \cdot \bar{\alpha} = \sum_{S_0} \begin{pmatrix} p(S_0) - n(S_0) & n(S_0) - p(S_0) \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} S_0$$

And

$$\{\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}\} = \frac{1}{2} (\pm 1)^k \sum_{S_0} (p(S_0) - n(S_0)) S_0,$$

which is exactly the coefficient of h in $\bar{\alpha} \cdot \bar{\beta} - \bar{\beta} \cdot \bar{\alpha}$.