

Extended Crane-Yetter via Skeins

- $CY(W^+) = K^{\sigma(W)} D^{X(W)/2}$ [CY 1993], [CKY 1993], [Roberts 1995], [Ooguri 1993]
- naturally extends to TQFT
- defined similarly to Turaev-Viro, as state sum.
 - TV extends to codim 2
 - expect CY extends to codim 2 as well.
 - $CY(\Sigma^2) = \text{category}$
- Conjecturally, Reshetikhin-Turaev is boundary theory of CY (e.g. [Barrett et al., 2007])

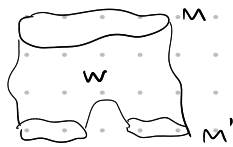
Outline

- briefly describe CY as state sum
- alternative definition in terms of skeins
- Reshetikhin Turaev as boundary theory of CY

Preliminaries / Background

- Topology : PL (dim ≤ 6 , smooth = PL)

Cobordisms :



$$W : M \rightarrow M'$$

Relative
cobord.



Cornered
cobordism
(over N)



$$W : M \rightarrow_N M'$$

— convention :

W : 4 - mfd

M : 3 - mfd

N : 2 - mfd .

- handle decomposition : $W = W_m \circ \dots \circ W_1$,

W_i : elementary



n-dim k-handle :
as cornered cobord.

$$H_k = B^n : \partial B^k \times B^{n-k} \rightarrow_{\partial B^k \times \partial B^{n-k}} B^k \times \partial B^{n-k}$$

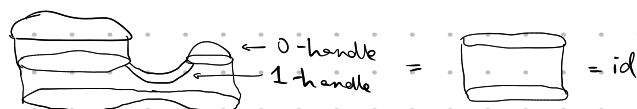
$n=3, k=1$:



- Any cornered cob. admits handle decomp.

- any two related by moves :

- swap order
- pair cancellation / creation
- handle slide

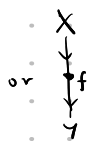


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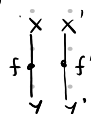
Algebra : Premodular categories , string diagrams / graphical calculus.

\mathcal{A} . eg. Vec , $\text{Rep}(G)$, Cob

$$f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, Y)$$



$$f \otimes f'$$



(\sqcup in Cob)

monoidal structure

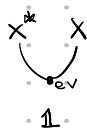
$$\otimes : f' \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X', Y')$$

duals

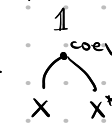
X^* , ev , coev



$$:=$$



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(\bar{M} , opposite or't,)



- pivotal structure $\delta: X \xrightarrow{\sim} X^{**}$

braiding

$$c: X \otimes Y \xrightarrow{\sim} Y \otimes X$$

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natural, eg for $f: X \rightarrow X'$,

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- twist
 $\theta: X \xrightarrow{\sim} X$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{loop} \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$= \begin{array}{c} \text{circle with dot} \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

- premodular: all of above

- structures compatible
- semisimple / $k = \bar{k}$
- finite

Useful conventions / lemmas :

- representatives X_i for simple objects, $i \in \text{Irr}(A)$

- $d_i = \text{tr}(i) = \text{tr}(i^*)$

- $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_A(\mathbb{1}, V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_k) =: \langle V_1, \dots, V_k \rangle$, $\varphi' \in \langle V_k^*, \dots, V_1^* \rangle$

$$\text{ev}(\varphi, \varphi') := \text{diagram 1} = \text{diagram 2}$$

$$\text{diagram 3} \text{ } \text{diagram 4} := \sum_{\alpha} \text{diagram 5} \text{ } \text{diagram 6} \quad \{ \varphi_{\alpha} \}, \{ \varphi^{\alpha} \} \text{ dual bases} \quad ||| = \sum_i d_i \text{diagram 7}$$

$$\Omega \uparrow = \Omega \downarrow = \vdots = \sum d_i \downarrow_i, \quad \text{---} \underset{\mathbb{1}}{\text{---}} \text{---} = \downarrow \quad \nwarrow \quad (\text{don't draw } \mathbb{1})$$

Sliding lemma: 

Killing lemma: [A modular]
(aka charge conservation) $\frac{1}{D} \downarrow_i = \delta_{i,1}$

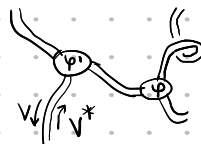
$$D := \bigcirc = \sum d_i^2$$

$$K := \bigcirc = \sum_{\Omega} d_i^2 \theta_i$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{D} \cdot \equiv \bigcirc_{\Omega} = \rightarrow \alpha \quad \alpha \leftarrow$$

A-colored ribbon graphs, skeins

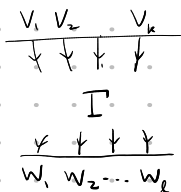
• $\Gamma \subseteq M^3$, (framed/thickened)



— directed edges colored w/ objects

— vertices colored w/ morphisms

— Theorem [RT 1990] : graph

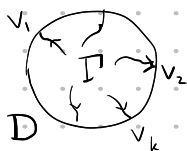


has well-defined evaluation

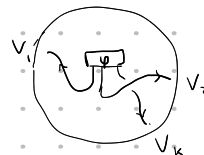
$$Z_{RT}(\Gamma) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_k, W_1 \otimes \dots \otimes W_k) \approx \langle V_k^*, \dots, V_1^*, W_1, \dots, W_k \rangle$$

— invariant w.r.t. isotopy.

— equivalent : $\Gamma \subset D \cong B^3$



$$\mapsto \langle \Gamma \rangle_D = Z_{RT}(\Gamma) \in \langle V_1, \dots, V_k \rangle$$



CY - triangulation / PLCW

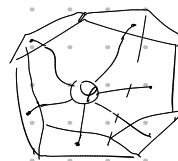
- label $l: \{\text{oriented 2-cells}\} \rightarrow \text{Irr}(A)$

$$l(\vec{F}) = l(\overleftarrow{F})^*$$

- oriented 3-cell $C \rightsquigarrow H(C, l)$ - "local state space"

$$H(C, l) \simeq \text{Hom}_A(\mathbb{1}, \bigotimes_{\vec{F} \in \partial C} l(\vec{F})) = \langle l(\vec{F}_1), \dots, l(\vec{F}_k) \rangle$$

$$H(\bar{C}, l) \simeq \text{Hom}_A(\mathbb{1}, \bigotimes_{\vec{F} \in \overline{\partial C}} l(\vec{F})) = \langle l(\vec{F}_k)^*, \dots, l(\vec{F}_1)^* \rangle$$

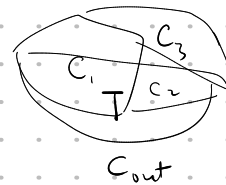


$$\text{ev}: H(C, l) \otimes H(\bar{C}, l) \rightarrow \mathbb{k}$$

$$- \mathcal{M} \rightsquigarrow H(\mathcal{M}, l) = \bigotimes H(C, l)$$

- oriented 4-cell $T \mapsto Z(T, \ell)$ local invariant

$$Z(T, \ell) \in \bigotimes_{\vec{c} \in \partial T} H(\vec{c}, \ell)$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \overset{p_1}{H(C_1, \ell)} \otimes \overset{p_2}{H(C_2, \ell)} \otimes \dots \\ & \downarrow Z(T, \ell) \\ & H(C_{out}, \ell) \\ & \mapsto Z_{R^*}(p_1 \otimes p_2 \otimes \dots) \end{aligned}$$

- W^4 , possibly w/ ∂

$$Z(W, \ell) = ev \left(\bigotimes_{T \in W} Z(T, \ell) \right) \in H(\partial W, \ell)$$

$$\in \bigotimes_{\substack{\text{interior} \\ 3\text{-cells}}} (H(\vec{c}, \ell) \otimes H(\vec{c}, \ell)) \otimes \bigotimes_{\substack{\text{boundary} \\ 3\text{-cell}}} H(\vec{c}, \ell)$$

$$Z_{cy}(W) = D^{x(\dot{W}) + \frac{1}{2}x(\partial W)} \sum_{\ell} \prod_{d_{\ell(f)}^{n_f}} Z(W, \ell) \in H(\partial W) = \bigoplus_{\ell} H(\partial W, \ell)$$

$$Z_{cy}(w) = D^{x(\dot{w}) + \frac{1}{2}x(\partial w)} \sum_{\ell} \prod d_{\ell f}^{r_f} \quad Z(w, \ell) \in H(\partial w) = \bigoplus_{\ell} H(\partial w, \ell)$$

Extend to 4-manifolds w/ corner

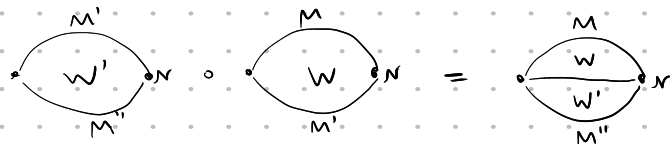
$$N \subseteq \partial W$$

$$Z_{\text{cy}}(W; N) = D^{x(\dot{W}) + \frac{1}{2}x(\partial W \setminus N)} \sum_{\ell} \prod_{f \notin N} d_{\ell f}^{n_f} Z(W, \ell) \in H(\partial W)$$

$$W: M \xrightarrow{\sim} M', \quad W': M' \xrightarrow{\sim} M''$$

$$W' \circ W = W' \cup_M W$$

$$Z_{\text{cy}}(W' \circ W; N) = Z_{\text{cy}}(W'; N) \circ Z_{\text{cy}}(W; N) : H(M) \rightarrow H(M'')$$



CY - skeins

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$$\text{Skeins}(M^3) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{formal linear combination} \\ \text{of } A\text{-colored ribbon graphs} \\ \text{in } M \end{array} \right\}$$

null graphs

- null graph w.r.t. $D \cong B^3 \subseteq M$

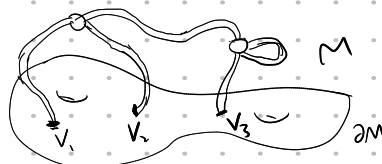
$$\Gamma = \sum c_j \Gamma_j, \quad \cdot \Gamma_i \text{ agree outside } D$$

$$\langle \sum c_j \Gamma_j \rangle_D = \sum c_j \langle \Gamma_j \rangle_D = 0$$



- Γ defines boundary value on ∂M

$$V = (B, \{V_i\})$$



- $Z_{\text{cy}}^{\text{sk}}(M; \mathbb{V}) = \{\text{Skeins in } M \text{ w/ } \partial\text{-value } \mathbb{V}\} \subseteq \text{Skein}(M)$

For surface N ,

$$\hat{Z}_{\text{cy}}^{\text{sk}}(N) = \begin{cases} \text{Obj} : \text{boundary values } \mathbb{V} = (B, \{V_{\pm}\}) \\ \text{Mor} : \text{Hom}(\mathbb{V}, \mathbb{V}') = Z_{\text{cy}}^{\text{sk}}(N \times I; \mathbb{V}^*, \mathbb{V}') \end{cases}$$

$$Z_{\text{cy}}^{\text{sk}}(N) = \text{Kar}(\hat{Z}_{\text{cy}}^{\text{sk}}(N)) \quad \text{Karoubi envelope / idempotent completion}$$

- $\mathbb{E} := \text{empty configuration} = (B = \emptyset, \emptyset)$

- $\phi_M^{\text{sk}} = \text{empty graph} \in Z_{\text{cy}}^{\text{sk}}(M; \mathbb{E})$

- $W: M \xrightarrow{N} M'$, handle decomp $W = W_\ell \circ \dots \circ W_1$

- define $Z_{\text{cl}}^{sk}(W)$ for elementary cobordisms
 - case index k -handle:

• $k=0$: $Z_{\text{cl}}^{sk}(W; N)(\Gamma) := D \cdot \Gamma \cup \phi_{S^3}^{sk}$

• $k=4$: $Z_{\text{cl}}^{sk}(W; N)(\Gamma' \cup \Gamma'') := \underbrace{Z_{\text{cl}}(\Gamma'')}_{\text{in } S^3} \cdot \Gamma'$

• $k=1$: isotope Γ to avoid attaching region, then, treating Γ as graph in new mfd,

$$Z_{\text{cl}}^{sk}(W; N)(\Gamma) = D^{-1} \cdot \Gamma$$

• $k=2,3$

- inv under handle moves — $Z_{\text{cl}}^{sk}(W; N)$ indep of handle decomp.

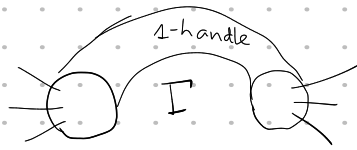
- $k=2$: isotope Γ to avoid attaching region, then, treating Γ as graph in new mfd,

$$Z_{\text{of}}^{ik}(W; N)(\Gamma) = \Gamma \cup \Gamma'$$

where Γ' = meridian loop of attaching region,
colored by Ω .

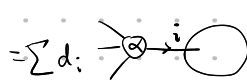


- $k=3$:



[add 3-handle
= remove 1-handle]

by sliding lemma.



$Z_{\text{of}}^{ik}(W; N)$



[balls are now
filled in]

Theorem : $Z_M = Z_M^{sk}$

- eg. for 3-mfds, essentially just forget triangulation, get skein.
 \hookrightarrow 2-mfds follows easily
- for 4-mfds, check they agree on handles.

Example

L = framed link in S^3

W_L = attach 2-handle to each component

$M_L = \partial W_L$ = 3-mfld obtained from S^3 under surgery along L



$$\bullet \quad W_L : \emptyset \xrightarrow{\text{0-handle}} S^3 \xrightarrow[\text{along } L]{\text{2-handles}} M_L$$

$$\bullet \quad W_L : \overline{M}_L \xrightarrow[\text{dual 2-handles}]{\text{attach}} \overline{S^3} \xrightarrow{\text{4-handle}} \emptyset$$

- meridians of attaching region of dual 2-handles
are exactly the attaching spheres of original 2-handles (= link components)

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S_0 & \phi_{\overline{M}_L}^{sk} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \Omega L & \xrightarrow{\quad} & Z_{RT}(\Omega \overline{L}) \\
 & & & \text{in } \overline{S^3} & \text{4-handle} & \\
 & & & \downarrow & \nearrow & \\
 & & & \Omega \overline{L} & \text{4-handle} & \\
 & & & \text{in } S^3 & &
 \end{array}$$

— essentially gives the Reshetikhin-Turaev invariant of M_L : [A modular]

$$Z_{RT}(M_L) = K^{-\sigma(L)} \cdot D^{(-|L|-1)/2} \cdot Z_{RT}(\Omega \overline{L})$$

$$\rightarrow Z_{cy}^{sk}(W_L) \left(\frac{1}{Z_{RT}(M_L)} \cdot \phi_{\overline{M}_L}^{sk} \right) = K^{\sigma(W_L)} \cdot D^{\chi(W_L)/2} \quad \leftarrow \text{usually } \Omega L, \text{ convention issue}$$

Theorem A modular. Define $\varepsilon_M = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{RT}}(\bar{M})} \cdot \phi_M^{\text{sk}} \in Z_{\text{CY}}^{\text{sk}}(M) \cong \mathbb{k}$.

For cobord. $W: M \rightarrow M'$,

$$Z_{\text{CY}}^{\text{sk}}(W)(\varepsilon_M) = K^{\sigma(W)} \cdot D^{X(W)/2} \cdot \varepsilon_{M'}$$

- uses fact that $Z_{\text{CY}}^{\text{sk}}(\text{closed 3-mfld})$ is 1-dim
- key observation to generalize example:
trade 1-handle for appropriate 2-handle
in dual handle descomp,

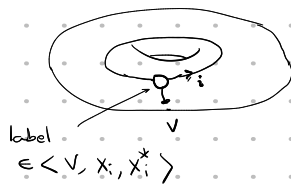
[Akbulut, 1977], [Gompf, Stipsicz, 1999]

use killing lemma

Relation to Reshetikhin-Turaev

$$Z_{cy}^{sk}(H; \mathbb{V}) \cong \bigoplus_{i_1, \dots, i_g} \langle \underbrace{V_{i_1}, \dots, V_{i_g}}_{\mathbb{V}}, x_{i_1}, x_{i_1}^*, \dots, x_{i_g}, x_{i_g}^* \rangle \cong Z_{RT}(\partial H; \mathbb{V})$$

eg. $g=1$,



RT should be an extended 3-2-1-TQFT.

- has "anomaly"
- fix "framing": for every closed surface N , choose handlebody H_N w/ identification $\partial H_N \cong N$

$$Z_{RT}^{cy}(N, \mathbb{V}) := Z_{cy}(H_N; \mathbb{V})$$

For 3-mfld, as cobord. $M: N \rightarrow N'$,

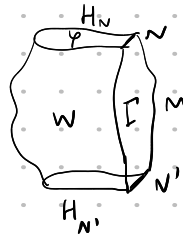
w/ A -colored I in M w/ ∂ -vals V^*, V' ,

$$Z_{RT}^{cr}(M, I) : Z_{RT}^{cr}(N, V) \rightarrow Z_{RT}^{cr}(N', V')$$

$$\varphi \longmapsto K^{-\sigma(W)} \cdot D^{-\chi(W)/2} Z_{cr}^{sk}(W; N') (I \cup \varphi)$$

where W is some 4-mfld

$$\partial \overline{W} = \overline{H_N} \cup \overline{M} \cup H_{N'},$$

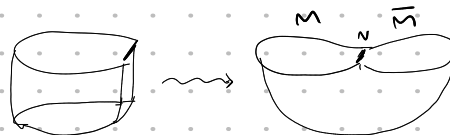


Theorem: Z_{RT}^{cl} agrees w/ RT.

- clear from taking $W = W_L$
- skein pairing \rightarrow gluing axiom.

For M , $\partial M = N$, consider

$$M \times I : M \cup \bar{M} \longrightarrow \emptyset$$



- defines skein pairing (forget corner)

$$ev^{sk} : Z_{cl}^{sk}(M; V) \otimes Z_{cl}^{sk}(\bar{M}; V^*) \longrightarrow \mathbb{k}$$

$$\varphi \otimes \varphi' \longmapsto Z_{cl}^{sk}(M \times I)(\varphi \cup \varphi')$$

- Prop : skein pairing is non-degenerate.

$$\rightarrow Z_{RT}^{cl}(\bar{N}, V^*) \simeq Z_{RT}^{cl}(N, V)^*$$

Thank You!