

GSV trick for Solomon's knot VERSION 2

We want to see whether we can use [GSV, eq. (5.5)] to compute unreduced KR homology for the two-component link "Solomon's knot VERSION 2", aka L4a1. Its linking number is 2, and our results for its n=2 and n=3 KR invariants are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{lk} &= 2; \text{KR2} = \text{Expand}[(t^4 q^2 + t^4 + t^3 q^2 + t^2 q^6 + q^{10} + q^8) / (q^{12})]; \\ \text{KR3} &= \text{Expand}[(t^4 q^6 + 2 t^4 q^4 + 2 t^4 q^2 + t^4 + t^3 q^4 + \\ &\quad t^3 q^2 + t^2 q^{10} + t^2 q^8 + q^{14} + q^{12} + q^{10}) / (q^{18})]; \end{aligned}$$

Thus the "universal" terms $U_i := \sum_{Q,s,r \in \mathbb{Z}} D_{\{Q,s,r\}} q^{\{iQ+s\}} t^r$ for $i=2,3$ on the right-hand side of [GSV, eq. (5.5)] are given by (where we leave the parameter $a := \alpha$ undetermined for now):

$$\begin{aligned} U_2 &= \text{Expand}[(q - 1/q) (q^4 \text{lk} \text{KR2} - t^a (q + 1/q)^2)] \\ &= -q^3 + q^7 - q t^2 + q^3 t^2 - \frac{t^3}{q^3} + \frac{t^3}{q} - \frac{t^4}{q^5} + \frac{t^4}{q} + \frac{t^a}{q^3} + \frac{t^a}{q} - q t^a - q^3 t^a \\ U_3 &= \text{Expand}[\text{Simplify}[(q - 1/q) (q^6 \text{lk} \text{KR3} - t^a ((q^3 - q^{-3})) / (q - 1/q)^2)]] \\ &= -q^3 + q^9 - q t^2 + q^5 t^2 - \frac{t^3}{q^5} + \frac{t^3}{q} - \frac{t^4}{q^7} - \frac{t^4}{q^5} + \frac{t^4}{q} + q t^4 + \frac{t^a}{q^5} + \frac{t^a}{q^3} + \frac{t^a}{q} - q t^a - q^3 t^a - q^5 t^a \end{aligned}$$

Now we can try to use [GSV, eq. (5.5)] to reproduce our n=3 KR invariant (note that the two components involved are just two unknots by themselves). It works:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{KR3} &- \text{Expand}[\text{Simplify}[q^6 \text{lk} (t^a \text{Simplify}[(q^3 - q^{-3}) / (q - 1/q)^2] + U_3 / (q - 1/q))]] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now try to determine the constants $D_{\{Q,s,r\}}$ from U_2 and U_3 above. If we set $a = \alpha = 4$, then U_2 and U_3 have the same number of terms:

$$\begin{aligned} U_2 /. \{a \rightarrow 4\} &= -q^3 + q^7 - q t^2 + q^3 t^2 - \frac{t^3}{q^3} + \frac{t^3}{q} - \frac{t^4}{q^5} + \frac{t^4}{q^3} + \frac{2 t^4}{q} - q t^4 - q^3 t^4 \\ U_3 /. \{a \rightarrow 4\} &= -q^3 + q^9 - q t^2 + q^5 t^2 - \frac{t^3}{q^5} + \frac{t^3}{q} - \frac{t^4}{q^7} + \frac{t^4}{q^3} + \frac{2 t^4}{q} - q^3 t^4 - q^5 t^4 \end{aligned}$$

From this we can read off the constants $D_{\{Q,s,r\}}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{UU}[n_] &:= -q^{(0n+3)} + q^{(2n+3)} - q^{(0n+1)} t^2 + \\ &\quad q^{(2n-1)} t^2 - q^{(-2n+1)} t^3 + q^{(0n-1)} t^3 - q^{(-2n-1)} t^4 + \\ &\quad q^{(-3)} t^4 + 2 q^{(0n-1)} t^4 - q^{(2n-3)} t^4 - q^{(2n-1)} t^4; \text{UU}[n] \\ &= -q^3 + q^{3+2n} - q t^2 + q^{-1+2n} t^2 + \frac{t^3}{q} - q^{1-2n} t^3 + \frac{t^4}{q^3} + \frac{2 t^4}{q} - q^{1-2n} t^4 - q^{-3+2n} t^4 - q^{-1+2n} t^4 \end{aligned}$$

Now we use [GSV, eq. (5.5)] with $a = \alpha = 4$ to define a candidate for the KR invariants for arbitrary n:

$$\text{KR}[n_] := \text{Expand}[\text{FullSimplify}[\text{Expand}[\text{Simplify}[(q^{(-2n \text{lk}} (t^a \text{Simplify}[(q^n - q^{-n}) / (q - 1/q)^2] + \text{UU}[n] / (q - 1/q)) /. \{a \rightarrow 4\}]]]]]$$

Check that we have not made a mistake so far:

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{KR[2] - KR2, KR[3] - KR3}
{0, 0}
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Our results for the n=4 and n=5 KR invariants are:

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KR4 =
Expand[(t^4 q^(10) + 2 t^4 q^8 + 3 t^4 q^6 + 3 t^4 q^4 + 2 t^4 q^2 + t^4 + t^3 q^6 + t^3 q^4 +
t^3 q^2 + t^2 q^(14) + t^2 q^(12) + t^2 q^(10) + q^(18) +
q^(16) + q^(14) + q^(12)) / (q^(24))];
KR5 = Expand[(t^4 q^(14) + 2 t^4 q^(12) + 3 t^4 q^(10) + 4 t^4 q^8 + 4 t^4 q^6 + 3 t^4 q^4 +
2 t^4 q^2 + t^4 + t^3 q^8 + t^3 q^6 + t^3 q^4 + t^3 q^2 + t^2 q^(18) + t^2 q^(16) +
t^2 q^(14) + t^2 q^(12) + q^(22) + q^(20) + q^(18) + q^(16) + q^(14)) / (q^(30))];
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They agree with the GSV prediction:

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{KR[4] - KR4, KR[5] - KR5}
{0, 0}
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The general expression for the GSV prediction is:

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FullSimplify[
(q^(-2 n l k) (t^a Simplify[(q^n - q^(-n)) / (q - 1 / q)]^2 + UU[n] / (q - 1 / q))) /. {a -> 4}]
1
----- q^(-2-6 n) (q^2 t^3 (q^2 - q^4 + t) + q^4 n (q^6 (-1 + q^2) + q^2 (-1 + q^2) t^2 + t^4) -
(-1 + q^2)^2
q^2 n (q^8 + t^4 - q^4 t^2 (1 + t) + q^2 t^3 (1 + t) + q^6 (-1 + t^2)))
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