

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", aka L4a1. Its linking number is 2, and our results for its n=2 and n=3 KR invariants are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In}[1] := & \text{lk} = 2; \text{KR2} = \text{Expand}[(t^4 q^4 + t^4 + t^2 q^4 + t q^8 + q^{10} + q^8) / q^{10}]; \\ & \text{KR3} = \text{Expand}[(q^{16} + q^{14} t + q^{14} + q^{12} t + q^{12} + \\ & \quad q^8 t^2 + q^6 t^4 + q^6 t^2 + 2 q^4 t^4 + 2 q^2 t^4 + t^4) / (q^{16})] \\ \text{Out}[1] = & 1 + \frac{1}{q^4} + \frac{1}{q^2} + \frac{t}{q^4} + \frac{t}{q^2} + \frac{t^2}{q^{10}} + \frac{t^2}{q^8} + \frac{t^4}{q^{16}} + \frac{2 t^4}{q^{14}} + \frac{2 t^4}{q^{12}} + \frac{t^4}{q^{10}} \end{aligned}$$

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):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In}[2] := & \text{U2} = \text{Expand}[(q - 1/q) (q^4 \text{lk}) \text{KR2} - t^a (q + 1/q)^2] \\ \text{Out}[2] = & -q^5 + q^9 - q^5 t + q^7 t - q t^2 + q^3 t^2 - \frac{t^4}{q^3} + q t^4 + \frac{t^a}{q^3} + \frac{t^a}{q} - q t^a - q^3 t^a \\ \text{In}[3] := & \text{U3} = \text{Expand}[\text{Simplify}[(q - 1/q) (q^6 \text{lk}) \text{KR3} - t^a ((q^3 - q^{-3})) / (q - 1/q)^2]] \\ \text{Out}[3] = & -q^7 + q^{13} - q^7 t + q^{11} t - q t^2 + q^5 t^2 - \frac{t^4}{q^5} - \frac{t^4}{q^3} + q t^4 + q^3 t^4 + \frac{t^a}{q^5} + \frac{t^a}{q^3} + \frac{t^a}{q} - q t^a - q^3 t^a - q^5 t^a \end{aligned}$$

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:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In}[4] := & \text{Expand}[\text{Simplify}[q^4 (-6 \text{lk}) (t^a \text{Simplify}[(q^3 - q^{-3}) / (q - 1/q)^2] + \text{U3} / (q - 1/q))] \\ \text{Out}[4] = & 1 + \frac{1}{q^4} + \frac{1}{q^2} + \frac{t}{q^4} + \frac{t}{q^2} + \frac{t^2}{q^{10}} + \frac{t^2}{q^8} + \frac{t^4}{q^{16}} + \frac{2 t^4}{q^{14}} + \frac{2 t^4}{q^{12}} + \frac{t^4}{q^{10}} \end{aligned}$$

Now try to determine the constants  $D_{Q,s,r}$  from U2 and U3 above. If we set  $a = \alpha = 4$ , then U2 and U3 have the same number of terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In}[5] := & \text{U2} /. \{a \rightarrow 4\} \\ \text{Out}[5] = & -q^5 + q^9 - q^5 t + q^7 t - q t^2 + q^3 t^2 + \frac{t^4}{q} - q^3 t^4 \\ \text{In}[6] := & \text{U3} /. \{a \rightarrow 4\} \\ \text{Out}[6] = & -q^7 + q^{13} - q^7 t + q^{11} t - q t^2 + q^5 t^2 + \frac{t^4}{q} - q^5 t^4 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In}[7] := & \text{UU}[n_] := -q^{2n+1} + q^{4n+1} - q^{2n+1} t + q^{4n-1} t - \\ & q^{0n+1} t^2 + q^{2n-1} t^2 + q^{0n-1} t^4 - q^{2n-1} t^4; \text{UU}[m] \\ \text{Out}[7] = & -q^{1+2m} + q^{1+4m} - q^{1+2m} t + q^{-1+4m} t - q t^2 + q^{-1+2m} t^2 + \frac{t^4}{q} - q^{-1+2m} t^4 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\text{In}[8] := \text{KR}[n_] := \text{Expand}[\text{FullSimplify}[\text{Expand}[\text{Simplify}[q^{(-2n \text{lk})} (t^a \text{Simplify}[(q^n - q^{-n}) / (q - 1/q)^2] + \text{UU}[n] / (q - 1/q))] /. \{a \rightarrow 4\}]]]$$

Check that we have not made a mistake so far:

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In[9]:= {KR[2] - KR2, KR[3] - KR3}
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Out[9]= {0, 0}
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Our results for the n=4 and n=5 KR invariants are:

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In[10]:= KR4 = Expand[(q^(22) + q^(20) t + q^(20) + q^(18) t +
  q^(18) + q^(16) t + q^(16) + q^(12) t^2 + q^(10) t^4 + q^(10) t^2 +
  2 q^8 t^4 + q^8 t^2 + 3 q^6 t^4 + 3 q^4 t^4 + 2 q^2 t^4 + t^4) / (q^(22))] ;
KR5 = Expand[(q^(28) + q^(26) t + q^(26) + q^(24) t + q^(24) + q^(22) t + q^(22) + q^(20) t +
  q^(20) + q^(16) t^2 + q^(14) t^4 + q^(14) t^2 + 2 q^(12) t^4 + q^(12) t^2 + 3 q^(10)
  t^4 + q^(10) t^2 + 4 q^8 t^4 + 4 q^6 t^4 + 3 q^4 t^4 + 2 q^2 t^4 + t^4) / (q^(28))] ;
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They agree with the GSV prediction:

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In[12]:= {KR[4] - KR4, KR[5] - KR5}
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Out[12]= {0, 0}
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The general expression for the GSV prediction is:

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In[13]:= FullSimplify[
  (q^(-2 n l k) (t^a Simplify[((q^n - q^(-n)) / (q - 1 / q))^2] + UU[n] / (q - 1 / q))) /. {a -> 4}]
Out[13]= 
$$\frac{q^{-4n} \left( q^{2-2n} (-1 + q^{2n})^2 t^4 + (-1 + q^2) \left( -q^2 t^2 + t^4 + q^{4n} (q^2 + t) - q^{2n} (1 + t) (q^2 + (-1 + t) t^2) \right) \right)}{(-1 + q^2)^2}$$

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