

# Tangle Floer Homology and quantum $\mathfrak{gl}(1|1)$

**Categorification:** lift an algebraic structure to a more interesting one

eg: Homotopy category of Chain complexes  $\rightarrow$  categorifies  $\mathbb{Z}$

•  $\times$  Topological space

Singular Homology  $\rightarrow$  categorifies  $\chi(X)$  Euler characteristic

• Jones Polynomial  $\rightarrow$  Khovanov Homology

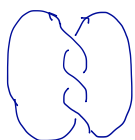
Alexander Polynomial  $\rightarrow$  Knot Floer Cohomology

**Keshet's new way of defining invariants:**

TQFT approach to link polynomials

Idea:

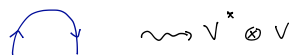
Fix a quantum group  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ , a representation  $V$  of  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  over  $\mathbb{C}$



Start slicing the knot bottoms up

to every cut in the knot we associate a representation

eg:



Compose maps between the various slices to get a map

$$\mathbb{C}[q, q^{-1}] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[q, q^{-1}]$$

$$1 \longmapsto \Psi_L(1)$$

Tangles  $\rightsquigarrow$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ V & \otimes & V^* & \otimes & V^* & \otimes & V \end{matrix}$$

This is an invariant of the knot called the Alexander polynomial

eg: Jones Poly  $\rightsquigarrow \mathfrak{sl}_2$   $U$  - 2 dim rep

Alexander Poly  $\Delta_{\mathfrak{gl}(1|1)}$   $V$  2 dim rep

$U_q(\mathfrak{gl}(1|1))$  - generated over  $\mathbb{C}(q)$  by  $E, F, q^{(a,b)}$   $(a,b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$

**Goal:** Categorify this construction, for some special cases

• Find a local version of Heegaard Floer homology

Tangle Floer Homology:

eg: Tangle

(cobordisms)



Left boundary

Right boundary

$\partial_L T$

$\partial_R T$

$A(\partial_L T)$

$A(\partial_R T)$

$CT(T)$

Bimodule over  $A(\partial_L T)$  and  $A(\partial_R T)$

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$\mathcal{H}^n$

1)  $CT(T)$  is an invariant of  $T$ .

2)  $-T_1 \equiv T_2 - \sim CT(T_1 \circ T_2) \simeq CT(T_1) \otimes_{\partial^R T_1} CT(T_2)$

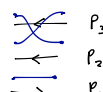
3) For a link  $L$   $CT(L) \simeq HFK(L)$  Knot Floer Homology

The algebra  $A(P) =$   
 $P \in \{\pm 1\}^n$   
 $\downarrow$   
 sequence of points

generators over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ : partial bijections on  $\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $=$  bijections  $\varphi: S \rightarrow T$

eg:   $= T$

$(+, -, -) = P$

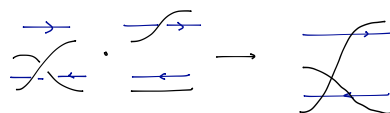
$\varphi = (2, 1)(3)$    
 $P_3$   
 $P_2$   
 $P_1$

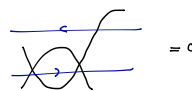
graphically strand diagrams

$p_i = \text{line } [0, 1] \times \{i - 1/2\}$

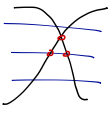
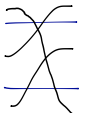
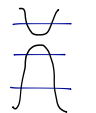
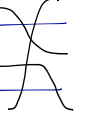
$+ \rightarrow - \leftarrow$

strand from  $(0, a)$  to  $(1, \varphi(a))$

Multiplication: 

Relations: Double crossings  $= 0$  

Differential: Smooth crossings

  $\xrightarrow{d}$   +  +   
 This goes to 0

Relationship to quantum  $\mathfrak{gl}(1|1)$

$\mathcal{H}^n$ :  $CT$  categorifies  $RT_{\mathfrak{gl}(1|1), \mathbb{N}}$  Reshetekin Turaev invariants

$K_0(A(P))$  Grothendieck group - free module over  $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]$  module with basis  $\{[A(P)e_s \mid s \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}]\}$   
 $(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n)$

Primitive idempotents  
 $\downarrow$   
 basis for  $V_{P_1} \otimes V_{P_2} \otimes \dots \otimes V_{P_n} \otimes L$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $V_P \otimes L$   
 2 dim rep

$A(\partial^L T) \xrightarrow{CT(T)} A(\partial^R T)$

$K_0(\partial^L T) \xrightarrow{[CT(T)]} K_0(\partial^R T)$   
 $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $IS$   $IS$

$V_{\partial^L T} \otimes L \xrightarrow{RT_{\mathfrak{gl}(1|1), \mathbb{N}}} V_{\partial^R T} \otimes L$