

Lecture 6

Khovanov homology

$$\textcircled{O} \Rightarrow V = \langle 1, x \rangle_3 = \mathbb{Z}[x]/(x^2)$$

$$m: V \otimes V \rightarrow V \quad \begin{cases} 1 \otimes x \mapsto x & 1 \otimes 1 \mapsto 1 \\ x \otimes 1 \mapsto x & x \otimes x \mapsto 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta: V \rightarrow V \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} V \quad \begin{cases} 1 \mapsto 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1 \\ x \mapsto x \otimes x \end{cases}$$

$$C_{\text{Kh}}(K) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Kh}(K)$$

chain
complex
over \mathbb{Z}

abelian
group
(\mathbb{Z} -module)

Bar-Natan homology

$$\textcircled{O} \rightarrow V = \langle_{1, \times} \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}[H]} = \frac{\mathbb{Z}(x, H)}{(x^2 - Hx)}$$

$$m: V \otimes V \rightarrow V \quad \begin{cases} 1 \otimes x \mapsto x & 1 \otimes 1 \mapsto 1 \\ x \otimes 1 \mapsto x & x \otimes x \mapsto Hx \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta: V \rightarrow V \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}[U]} V \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \mapsto 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1 - H(1) \\ x \mapsto x \otimes x \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{gr}(H) = q^{-2} h^0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{CBN}(k) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{BN}(k) \\ \text{chain complex} \\ \text{over } \mathbb{Z}[H] & & \mathbb{Z}[H]\text{-module} \end{array}$$

What exactly is a chain complex over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$?

It is a regular chain complex (C, d) over \mathbb{Z} s.t.

- 1) $\mathbb{Z}[H] \curvearrowright C$ making C a free $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -module
- 2) the differential $d : C \rightarrow C$ is $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -equivariant

P15 Prove that this structure results in a well-defined $\mathbb{Z}[\mu]$ -action on $H_k(C, d)$. $(H^k(d(x)) = d(H^k(x)))$

The proof of invariance of $\text{BN}(k)$ is the same, with the only comment that all chain maps and homotopies are promoted to $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -equivariant maps

Examples of chain complexes over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$

$$1) H_*(\mathbb{Z}[H] \xrightarrow{\cdot 1} \mathbb{Z}[H])$$

$$H_*(\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{array} \right)) = 0$$

$\begin{matrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$

$$2) H_*(\mathbb{Z}[H] \xrightarrow{H} \mathbb{Z}[H]) =$$

$$= H_*(\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{array} \right)) = \langle a \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{Z}[H]/(H)$$

$H \cdot a = 0$ as a $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -module

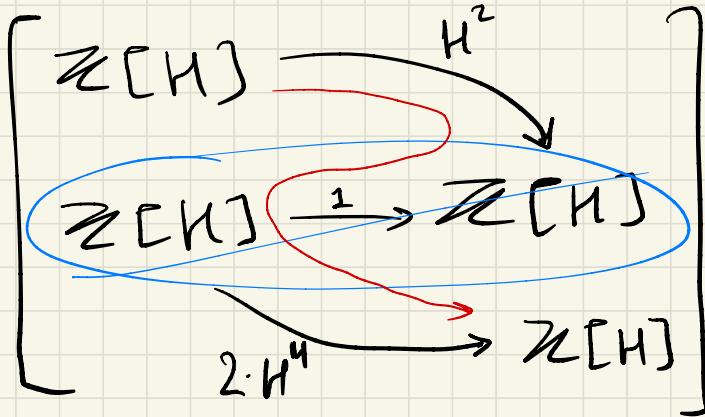
$$3) H_*(\mathbb{Z}[H] \xrightarrow{H^k} \mathbb{Z}[H]) =$$

$$\begin{array}{c} a \\ Ha \\ \vdots \\ H^k a \end{array}$$

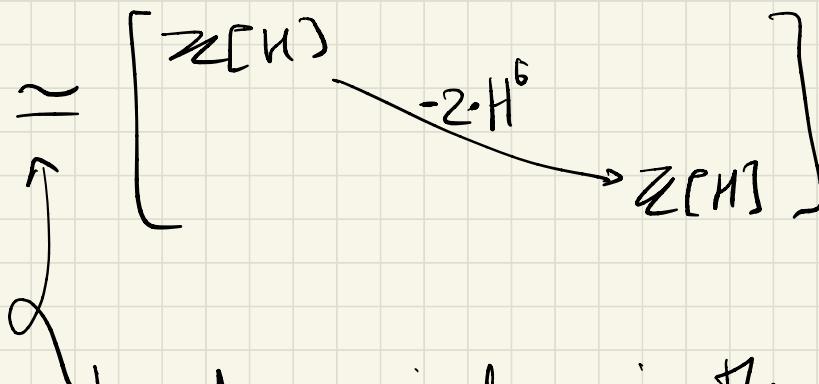
$$= \mathbb{Z}[H]/(H^k)$$

- One can modify chain complexes over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ using cancellation lemma (C1), by simply treating it as a chain-complex over \mathbb{Z}

Rx.

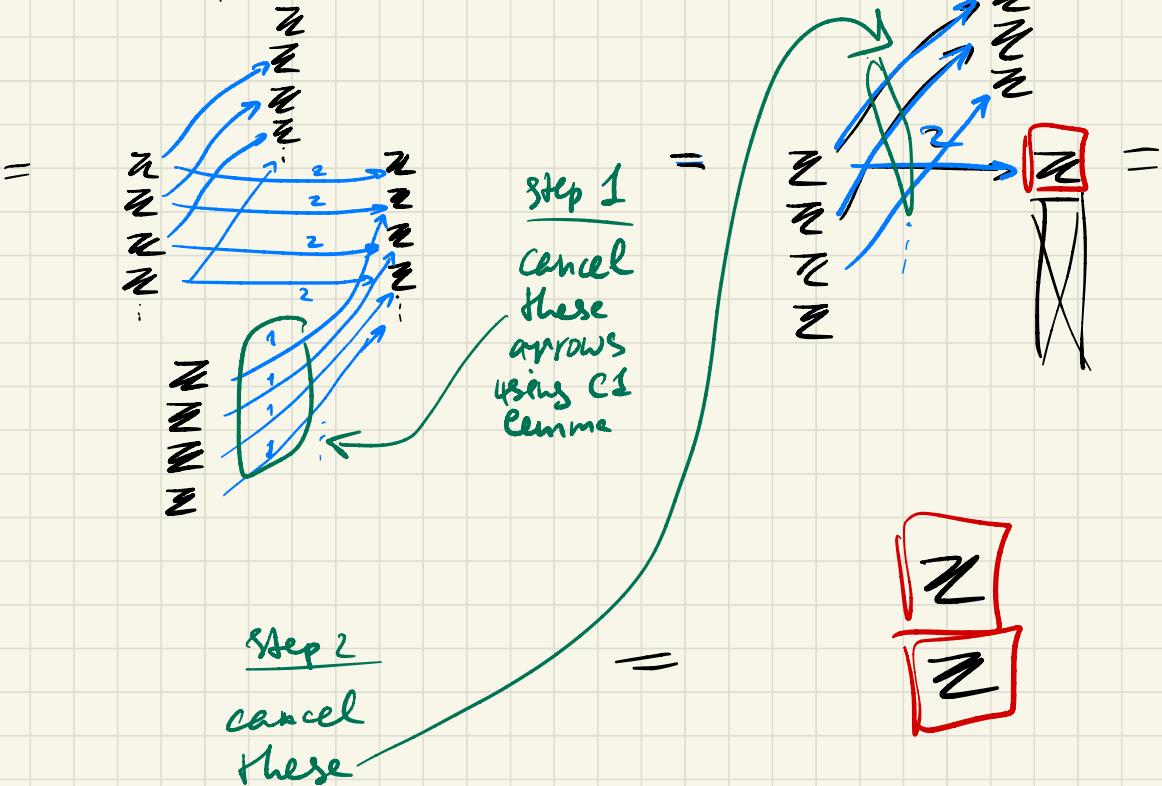


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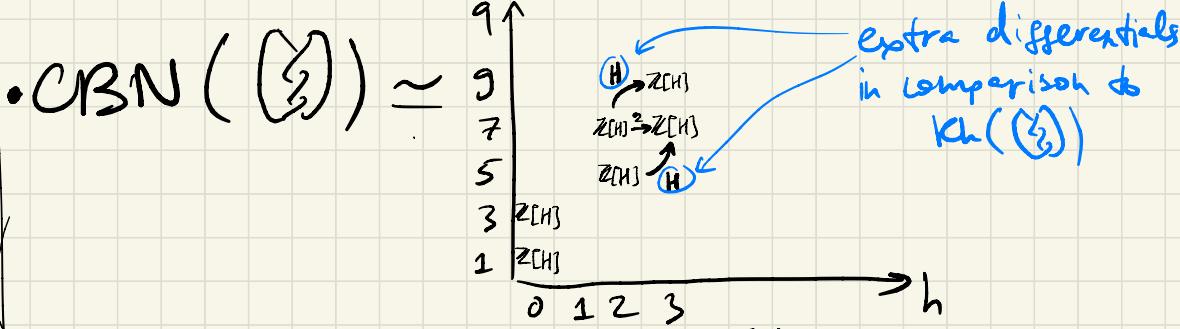


homotopy equivalence in the category
of chain complexes over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$, i.e.
all the chain maps and homotopies are
 $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -equivariant

$$H_{\infty} \left(\begin{array}{c} H \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[H] \\ \mathbb{Z}[H] \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z}[H] \\ \mathbb{Z}[H] \xrightarrow{H} \end{array} \right) =$$



P16 Adapt the cancellations used to compute $\mathrm{K}_h(\mathbb{B})$, and prove that



\bullet Conclude that $BN(\mathbb{F}_3; \mathbb{Z}) =$

$$Ha = 2b$$

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Z[CH]-action

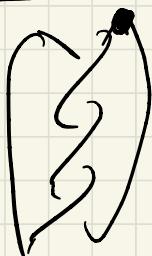
Corollary $BN(\mathbb{F}_3; \mathbb{F}_2) = \mathbb{F}_2[H] \oplus \mathbb{F}_2[H] \oplus \mathbb{F}_2[H]/H \oplus \mathbb{F}_2[H]/H$

but $BN(\mathbb{F}_3; \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}[H] \oplus \mathbb{Q}[H] \oplus \mathbb{Q}[H]/H^2$

$$Ch/Ch^X$$

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Reduced version



$$0 \rightarrow Ch^X \rightarrow Ch \rightarrow Ch^1 \rightarrow 0$$

$\langle X \rangle_{\text{on}}$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} Ch & \xrightarrow{\quad} & Ch^2 \\ & \downarrow \delta & \\ & Ch^1 & \end{array}}$$

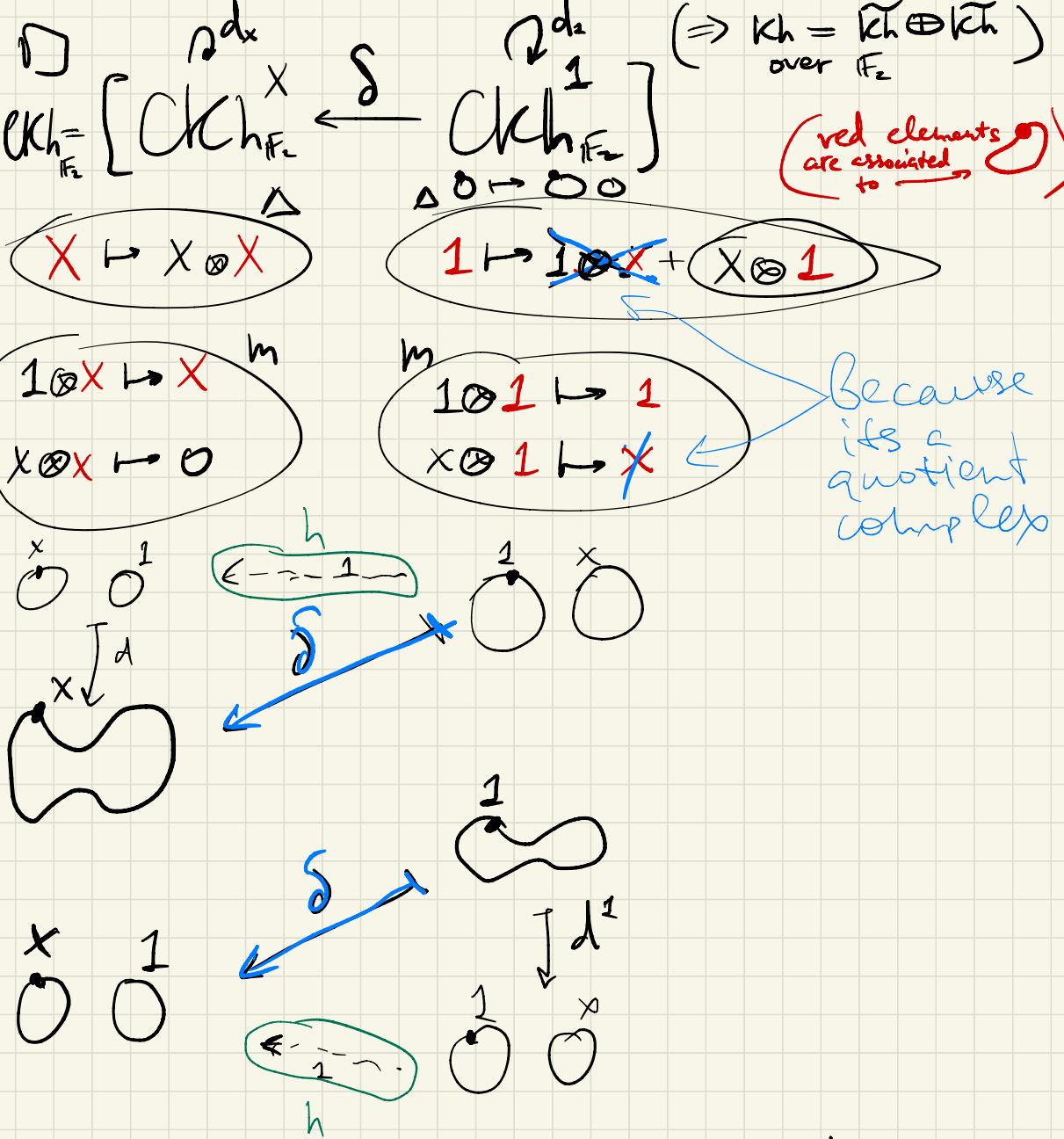
$\bullet \mathbb{Z}[x]/x^2$, x^2 has only one root

$$\Rightarrow Ch^X \cong Ch^1$$

(P? in the past)

Proposition Over \mathbb{F}_2 the LFS

sequence splits, i.e. the map δ is $= 0$.



P17 Fill in the details, i.e. define
 rigorously the map $h: \text{Ckh}_{\mathbb{F}_2}^{\oplus 2} \rightarrow \text{Ckh}_{\mathbb{F}_2}^{\oplus 2}$
 such that $dh + hd = \delta$, i.e. $\delta \approx 0$

\boxed{BN}

$$0 \rightarrow CBN^x \rightarrow CBN \rightarrow CBN^{x=0} \rightarrow 0$$

quotient complex

- $\mathbb{Z}[x, h]/(x^2 - hx)$, $x^2 - hx$ has two roots ($0 & h$) \Rightarrow

CBN^x is not
isomorphic to $CBN^{x=0}$
On the nose!

Nevertheless:

Proposition

$$CBN^x(k) \cong CBN^{x=0}(k),$$

resulting in one version of

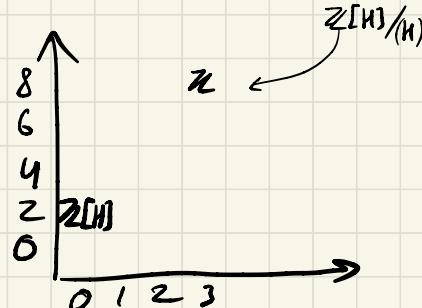
reduced Bar-Natan homology $\widetilde{CBN}(k)$.

technical, see "Immersed curves
in Khovanov homology", Section 3.3.2



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$$\widetilde{BN}(\text{?}) =$$



Proposition

$$(1) \widetilde{Kh}(K) = \left[\widetilde{BN}(K) \xrightarrow{\times H} \widetilde{BN}(K) \right]$$

over \mathbb{Z}

$$(2) Kh(K, \mathbb{Q}) = \left[\widetilde{BN}(K, \mathbb{Q}) \xrightarrow{\times H^2} \widetilde{BN}(K, \mathbb{Q}) \right]$$

□ See

"Immersed curves in Khovanov homology"
Section 3.5



Conjecture

$$Kh(K; \mathbb{Z}) = \left[\begin{array}{l} \widetilde{CBN}(K) \xrightarrow{\times H} (\widetilde{BN}(K)) \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \xrightarrow{\times 2} \\ \widetilde{CBN}(K) \xrightarrow{\times H} \widetilde{CBN}(K) \end{array} \right]$$

(Hint: to prove it combine the previous
Prop. part (1) together with the proof of $d \simeq 0$)

over $\mathbb{Z}/2$