

Lecture 8

- Chain complex C over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ consists of

differential

$$1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} C & & \\ \downarrow d & & \\ C & & \end{array}$$

free action

$$2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbb{Z}[H] \otimes C & \\ & \downarrow m & \\ & C & \end{array}$$

setting the compatibility equation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow d & & \downarrow m \\ \bullet_m & - & \bullet_d \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & = 0 \end{array}$$

(the action is equivariant)

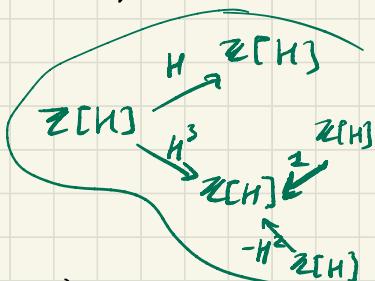
- In practice, it is a graph:

→ vertices = towers $\mathbb{Z}[H]$

→ edges labeled by elements in $\mathbb{Z}[H]$

- Want: substitute $H=0$ or $(H=1)$, but there is a problem: $\mathbb{Z} \xleftarrow{H=1} \mathbb{Z}[H] \otimes C$

Wrong
arrow direction



$$\begin{array}{c} \searrow \\ C \end{array}$$

This is not a real problem though, since our modules are free.

def. Type D structure over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$
 (aka twisted complex, or co-module)

is a free \mathbb{Z} -module C together
 with C satisfying

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & C & \\ \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta \\ \mathbb{Z}[H] \otimes C & & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & C & \\ \text{multiplication} & \nearrow \delta & \downarrow \delta \\ \mathbb{Z}[H] & & C \end{array} = 0$$

Notation: $C^{\mathbb{Z}[H]}$

In practice, it's again a graph:

vertices: \mathbb{Z}

edges: labelled by elements in $\mathbb{Z}[H]$

going twice should square to 0

For example: $\delta(a) = 1 \otimes b + H^2 \otimes c + H \otimes e$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} H & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_e & & \\ \mathbb{Z}_a & \xrightarrow{1} & \mathbb{Z}_b & & \\ H^2 & \downarrow & & & \sqrt{H^3} \\ \mathbb{Z}_c & & & & \mathbb{Z}_d \\ H & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_d & & \end{array}$$

• So, as algebraic structures

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{chain complexes} \\ \text{over } \mathbb{Z}[H] \end{array} \right\} \rightleftharpoons \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Type D structures} \\ \text{over } \mathbb{Z}[H] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\boxed{C^{\mathbb{Z}[H]} \otimes \mathbb{Z}[H]} \quad \xleftarrow{\text{dowers}} \quad C^{\mathbb{Z}[H]}$$

$\xleftarrow{\text{generators}}$

(just a notation)

• What do we get? Well, now we can sub $H=1$!

$$\begin{array}{c} C \\ \downarrow \\ C \otimes \mathbb{Z}[H] \\ \xrightarrow{H=1} \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

(type D structure) $\mathbb{Z}[H]$



$$H = 1$$

$$\begin{array}{c} C \\ \downarrow d = \delta|_{H=1} \\ C \end{array}$$

chain complex
 $\mathbb{Z}[H]$

graph $\bullet - H$.

as a chain complex
over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$

H_0	d	\bullet	\square	\square
H_1	\bullet	\square	\square	\square
H_2	\square	\square	\square	\square
H_3	\square	\square	\square	\square

as a type D structure

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z}_a & \xrightarrow{H} & \mathbb{Z}_b \\ & \delta(a) = b & \end{array}$$

$$K \longrightarrow CBN(K)_{\mathbb{Z}[H]}$$

chain complex over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$,

knot invariant up to $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ -equivariant

homotopy equivalence

$$Ckh(K)_{\mathbb{Z}[H]} \quad \left(\textcircled{1} \rightsquigarrow V = \langle 1, x \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}} \right)$$

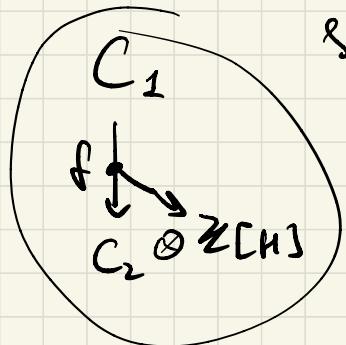
differential is deformed

type D structure over $\mathbb{Z}[H]$,

knot invariant up to homotopy equivalence

Type D structure homomorphism between
 $C_1^{\mathbb{Z}[H]}$ and $C_2^{\mathbb{Z}[H]}$ is a map

such that the following equation is satisfied:



$$D(f) = \underset{\text{def.}}{\delta_2} - \underset{\text{postcompose}}{\delta_1} + \underset{\text{precompose}}{\delta_1} = 0$$

f_1 & f_2 are homotopic if

$$f_1 - f_2 = D(h) \text{ for some } h: C_1 \rightarrow C_2 \otimes \mathbb{Z}[H]$$

$\delta_1 + \delta_2 + h \circ \delta_1 + \delta_2 \circ h$

(h need not be homo)

$C_1^{\mathbb{Z}[H]} \xrightarrow{f} C_2^{\mathbb{Z}[H]}$ is a homotopy

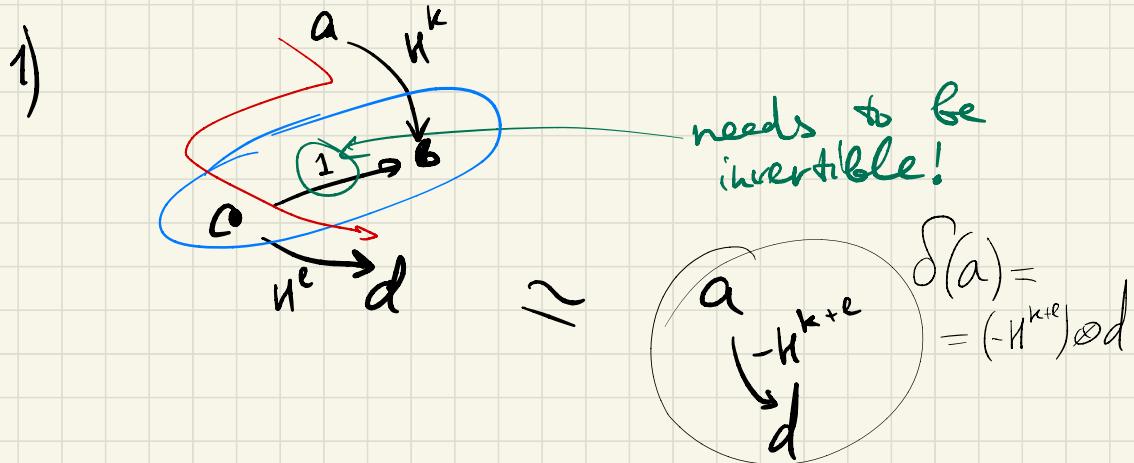
equivalence if there is $C \xleftarrow{\delta} C_2$ s.t.

$$f \circ \delta \simeq \text{id} \quad \& \quad \delta \circ f \simeq \text{id}$$



Downside of type D structures: no homology

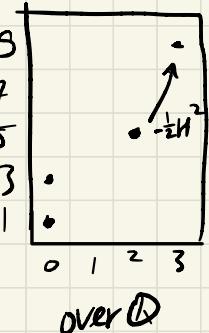
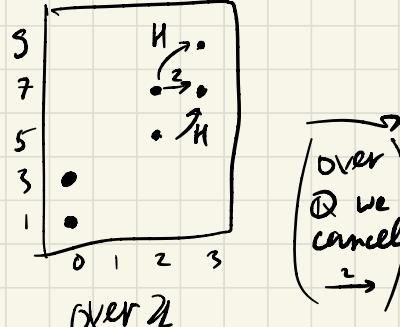
But, we can still cancel things!



2) More generally, this also works if
 a and b are isomorphic type D structures
 (the type D str. analogue of (C1) Lemma,
 see "Immersed curves in Khovanov homology,"
 Section 2.2

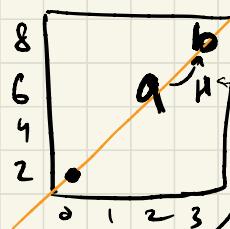
Example As type D structure,

- Cth $(\textcircled{3})$ $\stackrel{\text{[CH]}}{\approx}$



$$\cdot \widetilde{\text{Ckch}}((\mathbb{Z}))^{\mathbb{Z}[\text{H}]}$$

can be canceled until



Remark 1

grading of this arrow

is computed as

$$- q(a \xrightarrow{H} b) =$$

$$= q(b) + q(H) - q(a) = \\ = 8 + (-2) - 6 = 0$$

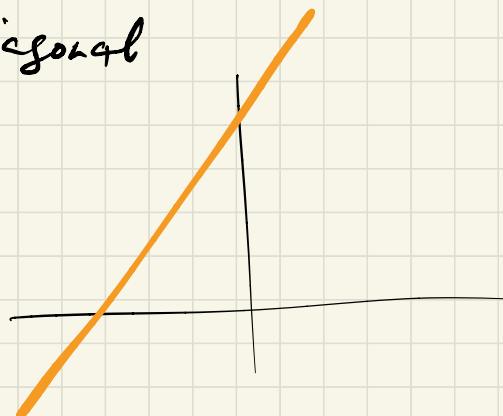
$$= h(b) + h(H) - h(a) = 3 + 0 - 2 = 1$$

The upshot is that $\delta: \text{Ckch}(K) \rightarrow \text{Ckch}(K) \otimes \mathbb{Z}[\text{H}]$ still preserves the q -grading and increases h -grading by 1

Remark 2 Lee proved that $\text{Kh}(K)$ for alternating knots is thin, i.e. is concentrated on a diagonal

$$\text{const} = q - 2h$$

(can be expressed
in terms of
 $\delta(K)$)



Open q. Characterize thin knots topologically / geometrically

Next:

Proposition

$$H_*(\text{Ch}(k) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[H]} |_{H=1}) = \mathbb{Z} \otimes \mathbb{Z}$$

In other words, if we use

$$\begin{aligned} m: V \otimes V &\rightarrow V & \left. \begin{array}{l} 1 \otimes x \mapsto x \\ x \otimes 1 \mapsto x \end{array} \right\} & 1 \otimes 1 \mapsto 1 \\ &&& x \otimes x \mapsto x \quad (\text{since } H=1) \end{aligned}$$

(do not preserve q-grading!)

$$\Delta: V \rightarrow V \otimes V & \left. \begin{array}{l} 1 \mapsto 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes 1 \\ x \mapsto x \otimes x \end{array} \right\} & (\text{since } H=1 !)$$

The homology of Khovanov complex = $\mathbb{Z} \otimes \mathbb{Z}$

idea work with basis $\boxed{x}, \boxed{1-x}$.
" " " "
 a b

In this basis:

$$m: \left. \begin{array}{l} a \otimes a \mapsto a \\ b \otimes b \mapsto b \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} a \otimes b \mapsto 0 \\ b \otimes a \mapsto 0 \end{array}$$

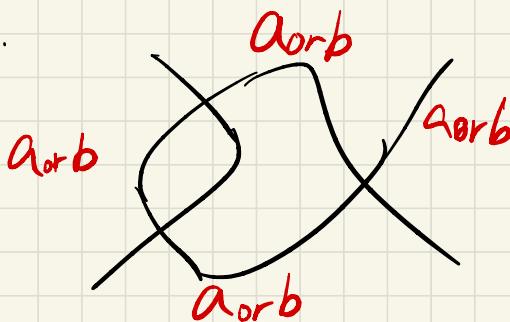
$$\Delta: \begin{cases} a \mapsto a \otimes a \\ b \mapsto -b \otimes b \end{cases}$$

Then, if we fix an edge on a diagram $a \circlearrowleft$, and consider all

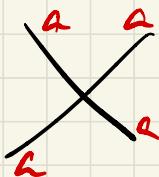
the generators which have a or circles involving that edge, we get a subcomplex!

$$Ck_{\text{ch}}(k) \Big|_{H=1} = {}^a \mathbb{C} \oplus {}^b \mathbb{C}$$

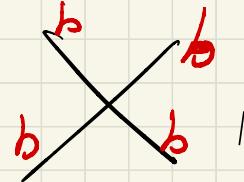
Moreover, we can consider splitting according to all possible colorings of edges:



Statement is that whenever I have



or



then those subcomplexes are contractible

and the only two that are not like this are

