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Week 6

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Last time:

Lee perturbation  $C_{Lee}(L)$

merge  $m': V \otimes V \longrightarrow V\{\ell\}$

$$V_+ \otimes V_+ \longmapsto V_+$$

$$V_+ \otimes V_-, V_- \otimes V_+ \longmapsto V_1$$

$$V_- \otimes V_- \longmapsto V_+ \leftarrow \text{perturbation}$$

split  $\Delta': V \longrightarrow V \otimes V\{\ell\}$

$$V_+ \longmapsto V_+ \otimes V_- + V_- \otimes V_+$$

$$V_- \longmapsto V_- \otimes V_- + V_+ \otimes V_+$$

$$d_{Lee} = d_{Kh} + \text{red terms}$$

Exercise: Check  $d_{Lee}^2 = 0$

$$V = \begin{array}{c} \downarrow V_+ \\ \hline \downarrow V_- \end{array}$$

Note: Lee complex has a well-defined  $\mathbb{Z}/4$  quantum grading

For our discussion of  $S$ , we will work with  $\mathbb{Q}$ -coefficients  
(more generally works over a field of any characteristic)

$$V = \mathbb{Q}V_+ \oplus \mathbb{Q}V_-$$

Consider the change of basis

$$a = v_- + v_+$$

$$b = v_- - v_+$$

Note:

1. These elements don't have a well-defined quantum grading as they are not homogeneously graded
2. We can still consider the quantum filtration of a non-homogeneously graded element  $x$

i.e. 
$$gr_q(x) = \max\{i \mid x \in F^i(\text{CLee})\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= v_- + v_+ \\ b &= v_- - v_+ \end{aligned}$$

Our things are filtered  
 $C \supseteq \dots \supseteq F_i \supseteq F_{i+1} \supseteq \dots \supseteq \emptyset$

and the quantum filtration of a homology class  $[x]$ :

$$gr_q(x) = \max\{gr_q(y) \mid [x] = [y]\}$$

↓  
homologous

Exercise:

$$\begin{aligned} m': a \otimes a &\mapsto 2a \\ a \otimes b, b \otimes a &\mapsto 0 \\ b \otimes b &\mapsto -2b \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta': a &\mapsto a \otimes a \\ b &\mapsto b \otimes b \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem (Lee)**

gives us how many components of  $L$

The homology of an  $n$ -component link  $L$  is

$$\text{Lee}(L) \cong (\mathbb{Q} \oplus \mathbb{Q})^n$$

corresponding to the  $2^n$  different orientations of  $L$

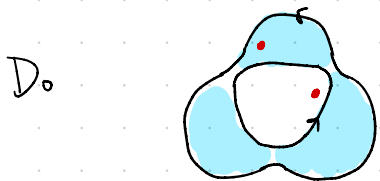
Lee's canonical generators

Given a diagram  $D$ ,  $\exists$  a checkerboard coloring



convention: leave the infinite region unshaded

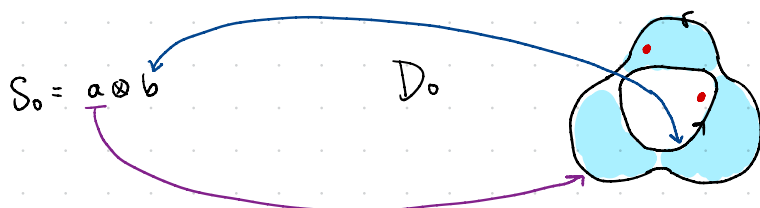
Say knot is oriented, then  $\exists$  an oriented resolution at each crossing



Checkerboard shading induces shading on  $D_0$ .

Now draw a **dot** to the left of any point on each circle.

If dot is in a shaded (resp. unshaded) region, label that circle with an  $a$  (resp  $b$ )





$$D_0 = \text{diagram of a circle with a clockwise arrow}$$



$$S_0 = b \otimes a$$

opposite orientation

Exercise:  $S_0 \in \ker d_{\text{Lee}}$

Let  $K$  be a knot

$$s_{\min}(K) = \min \{ \text{gr}_g([x]) \mid [x] \in \text{Lee}(K), [x] \neq 0 \}$$

$$s_{\max}(K) = \max \{ \text{gr}_g([x]) \mid [x] \in \text{Lee}(K), [x] \neq 0 \}$$

Defn: (J. Rasmussen) ( $K$  is a knot)

$$s(K) = \frac{s_{\max}(K) + s_{\min}(K)}{2}$$

(\*) Proposition

( $K$  is a knot)

$$s_{\max} = s_{\min} + 2, \text{ or equivalently } s = s_{\max} - 1 = s_{\min} + 1$$

Exercise:

For a knot  $K$ , quantum gradings are all odd

Recall:  $C\text{Lee}(K)$  has a  $\mathbb{Z}/4$  quantum grading, hence

$$C\text{Lee}(K) \cong C\text{Lee}_+(K) \oplus C\text{Lee}_-(K) \text{ where } C\text{Lee}_{\pm 1}(K)$$

is the summand in  $\mathbb{Z}/4$  quantum grading  $\pm 1$

$\bar{0}$  is the opposite orientation

**Lemma**

Let  $D$  be a diagram for a knot  $K$  and  $0$  be an orientation. Then  $S_0 \pm S_{\bar{0}}$  are in two different  $\mathbb{Z}/4$  quantum gradings of  $CLee(D)$

Exercise: proof of Lemma

Hence  $S_0 \pm S_{\bar{0}}$  generate the summands in  $Lee(K) \cong Lee_+(K) \oplus Lee_-(K)$

and hence  $S_{max}(K) \neq S_{min}(K)$

and

$$S_{min}(K) = gr_q([S_0]) = gr_q([S_{\bar{0}}])$$

since both  $[S_0]$  and  $[S_{\bar{0}}]$  have

components in  $\mathbb{Z}/4$ -grading  $S_{min}(K)$  either sum or difference cancels in  $Lee_+(K) \oplus Lee_-(K)$

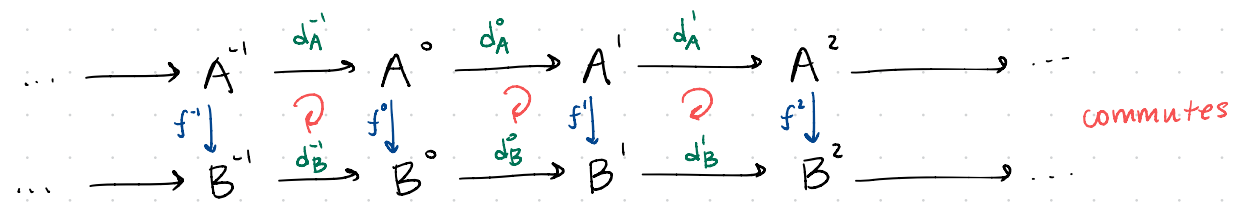
Lee homology supported in 2 dif.  $\mathbb{Z}/4$  gradings. Lifting to filtration tells you  $\exists$  two dif. generators

Algebraic Aside: Mapping cone

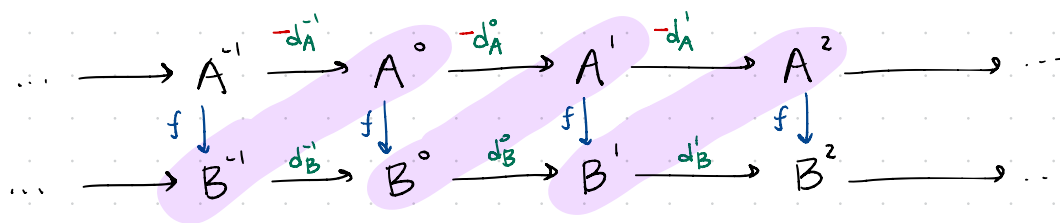
Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a chain map between

$$A = \left( \bigoplus_i A^i, d_A \right)$$

$$B = \left( \bigoplus_i B^i, d_B \right)$$



The mapping cone of  $f$  is  $C(f) := \left( \bigoplus_i (A^{i+1} \oplus B^i), \bigoplus_i \begin{pmatrix} -d_A^{i+1} & 0 \\ f^{i+1} & d_B^i \end{pmatrix} \right)$



to make squares anti-commute

Exercise:  $d_{C(f)}^2 = 0$

In practice, we write the cone as

$$C(f) = \left( A \xrightarrow{f} B \right) \leftarrow \text{map becomes a part of the differential}$$

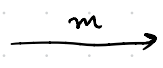
Note:  $\exists$  short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C(f) \longrightarrow A[-1] \longrightarrow 0$$

Example:



$$V \otimes V$$



$$V$$

$C(f)$  tells you to view the map as a differential  $V = \mathbb{Z}v_+ \oplus \mathbb{Z}v_-$

Khovanov chain complex associated to this diagram:

$$C(Kh(\infty)) = C(m: \circ\circ \rightarrow \infty\{1\})$$

Defn: A chain map  $f: C \rightarrow C'$  between filtered chain complexes

is filtered of degree  $k$  if  $f(F_i) \subseteq F'_{i+k}$

## Lemma

Let  $K_1, K_2$  be knots.  $\exists$  a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2) \xrightarrow{p^*} \text{Lee}(K_1) \otimes \text{Lee}(K_2) \xrightarrow{m^*} \text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2) \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $p^*$  and  $m^*$  have filtered degree  $-1$

Proof: Let  $D_1, D_2$  be diagrams for  $K_1, K_2$  resp.

$$K_1 \# K_2^r = \left( K_1 \# K_2 \xrightarrow{m'} K_1 \# K_2 \{1\} \right)$$

$$C\text{Lee}(D_1 \# D_2) = C(D_1 \# D_2) \xrightarrow{m'} C(D_1 \# D_2 \{1\})$$

mapping cone

So we have a s.e.s.

$$0 \longrightarrow C\text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2) \{1\} \xrightarrow{i} C\text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2^r) \xrightarrow{p} C\text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2) \longrightarrow 0$$

which induces a long exact sequence on homology

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Q} \oplus \mathbb{Q} \quad \dim=2 & \xrightarrow{i^*} & \mathbb{Q} \oplus \mathbb{Q} \quad \dim=2 \\ \text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2) & & \text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2^r) \\ & \nwarrow p^* & \nearrow \\ & \text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2) & \\ & \mathbb{Q}^4 \quad \dim=4 & \end{array}$$

Exercise:  $i^* = 0$  since  $2+2=4$  (rank nullity, exactness...)

and so l.e.s. of vector spaces splits, i.e. we have a s.e.s.

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2^r) \xrightarrow{p^*} \text{Lee}(K_1 \amalg K_2) \xrightarrow{m^*} \text{Lee}(K_1 \# K_2) \longrightarrow 0$$

What happens to the quantum grading?

Exercise: Both  $p^*$  and  $m^*$  are filtered of degree  $-1$

Goal:

(\*) Proposition

( $K$  is a knot)

$$S_{\max} = S_{\min} + 2, \text{ or equivalently } S = S_{\max} - 1 = S_{\min} + 1$$

Proof: Above lemma with  $K_1 = K$   
 $K_2 = U$

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Lee}(K) \xrightarrow{p^*} \text{Lee}(K) \otimes \text{Lee}(U) \xrightarrow{m^*} \text{Lee}(K) \longrightarrow 0$$

$p^*$  and  $m^*$  are filtered of degree  $-1$ .

$$\text{Lee}(U) = \mathbb{Q}a \oplus \mathbb{Q}b$$

to be continued!

Last time:

non-homogeneous basis

$$a = v_- + v_+$$

$$b = v_- - v_+$$

to do this change of basis need to be over  $\mathbb{Q}$  instead of  $\mathbb{Z}$

Lee canonical generators  $s_0, s_0 \pm s_{\bar{0}}$  generate summands in

$$\text{Lee}(K) \cong \text{Lee}_+(K) \oplus \text{Lee}_-(K)$$

$$s_{\min} = \text{gr}_q([s_0]) = \text{gr}_q([s_{\bar{0}}])$$

is the quantum grading of either  $s_0$  or  $s_{\bar{0}}$

for knot, quantum grading is odd so the Lee homology splits like this in the  $\mathbb{Z}/4$ -graded theory

Goal:

(\*) Proposition

( $K$  is a knot)

$$S_{\max} = S_{\min} + 2, \text{ or equivalently } S = S_{\max} - 1 = S_{\min} + 1$$

Proof of Prop:

use lemma with  $K_1 = K$   
 $K_2 = U$

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Lee}(K) \xrightarrow{p^*} \text{Lee}(K) \otimes \text{Lee}(U) \xrightarrow{m^*} \text{Lee}(K) \rightarrow 0$$

$p^*$  and  $m^*$  are filtered of degree -1.

$$\text{Lee}(U) = \mathbb{Q}a \oplus \mathbb{Q}b$$

↳ crossingless diagram of  $K$  has orientations acc.

to  $a$  and  $b$  and checkerboard coloring

We want to understand stuff in here!

$$\left( \text{Diagram with } D \text{ and } D_1 \right) = C \left( \left( \text{Diagram with } D \right) \otimes \left( \text{Diagram with } \bigcirc \right) \xrightarrow{m^*} \left( \text{Diagram with } D_1 \right) \right)$$

One of  $\{s_0, s_0^*\}$  has a label  $a$  on the component where the connected sum appears. Call this generator  $s_a$  and the other  $s_b$

$$\text{gr}_q([s_a + \varepsilon s_b]) = S_{\max} \quad \text{for } \varepsilon = 1 \text{ or } -1$$

(we don't know which is gen.  $S_{\max}$ )

$$m^*([s_a + \varepsilon s_b] \otimes a) = [s_a] \quad (\text{by def'n of } m)$$

Since  $m^*$  is filtered of degree  $-1$ ,

Recall:

Exercise:

$$m': \begin{aligned} a \otimes a &\mapsto 2a \\ a \otimes b, b \otimes a &\mapsto 0 \\ b \otimes b &\mapsto -2b \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{gr}_q([s_a]) \geq \text{gr}_q([s_a + \varepsilon s_b] \otimes a) - 1$$

$$\text{gr}_q([s_a + \varepsilon s_b] \otimes a) \leq \text{gr}_q([s_a]) + 1$$

Recall:  $S_{\min}(K) = \text{gr}_q([s_0]) = \text{gr}_q([s_0^*])$

Hence  $S_{\max}(K) - 1 \leq S_{\min}(K) + 1$

Also recall:  $S_{\max}(K) \geq S_{\min}(K)$

$$\Rightarrow S_{\max}(K) = S_{\min}(K) + 2$$

Exercise:

Show that  $s(\text{RHT}) = \cancel{-2} = 2$

↳ just find one of the generators  $\{s_0, s_0^*\}$

After discussion, this might be a positive 2

# Properties of $s$

## Exercise:

1. Suppose that  $K_+$  and  $K_-$  differ by a single crossing change (positive to negative from  $K_+$  to  $K_-$ )

then  $s(K_-) \leq s(K_+) \leq s(K_-) + 2$

2.  $s(-K) = -s(K)$

3.  $s(K_1 \# K_2) = s(K_1) + s(K_2)$

**Theorem** (Rasmussen)

$$\left| \frac{s(K)}{2} \right| \leq g_4^{\text{Smooth}}(K)$$

$\therefore s(4_1) = 0$

$s(U) = 0$

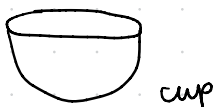
Sharp for torus knots

The proof relies on

- view minimal genus slice surface as a genus  $g_4(K)$  cobordism between  $U$  and  $K$

- Decompose cobordism into elementary cobordisms:

minima



maxima



saddles



either merge or split 2 components



→ topological quantum field theory

# Khovanov homology as $(1+1)$ -TQFT

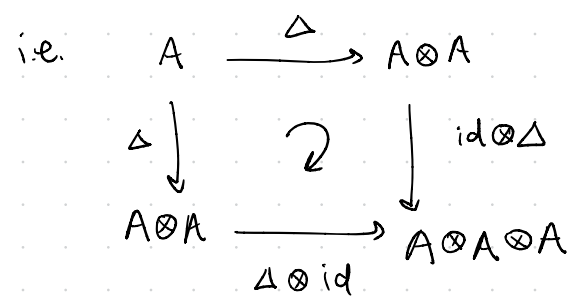
hand wavy! (sorry!)

↑ knots are 1-dim.      ↑ cobordisms sort of add a dimension (surface cobord. b/ knots)

Cobordism gives a map between Khovanov hom of the knots on ends which behaves nicely with product  $\Rightarrow$  id. on hom and "stacking" otherwise

Defn: a Frobenius system is the data  $(R, A, L, m, \epsilon, \Delta)$  consisting of

1. a commutative ground ring (e.g.  $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$ )
2. an  $R$ -algebra  $A$ , in particular
  - a) the inclusion map  $L: R \rightarrow A$  that sends  $1 \mapsto 1$  gives unit
  - b) multiplication map  $m: A \otimes A \rightarrow A$
3. co-multiplication map  $\Delta: A \rightarrow A \otimes A$  that is co-associative and co-commutative



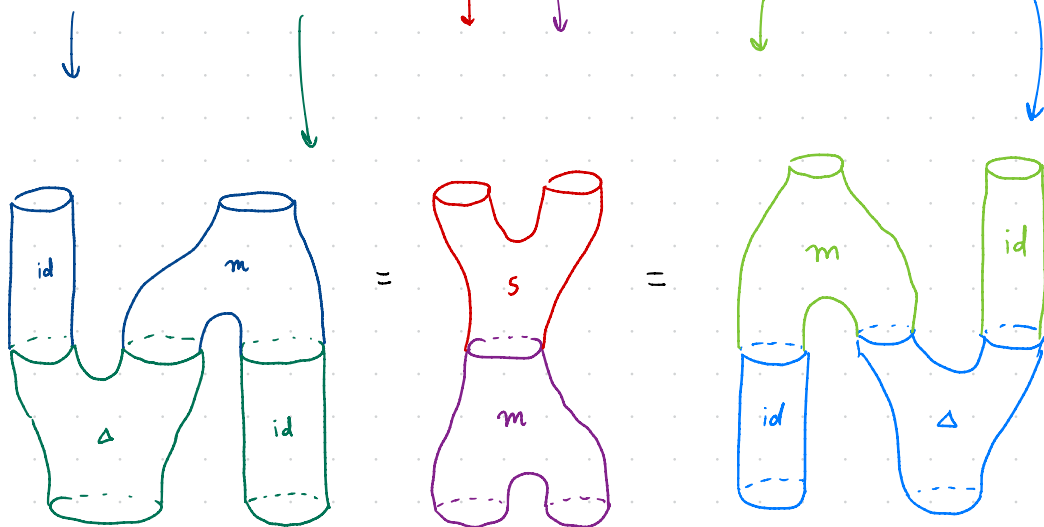
(Reversing all arrows would give associativity)

4.  $R$ -module co-unit  $\epsilon: A \rightarrow R$  goes other way  $(\epsilon \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = \text{id}$

$A$  is a Frobenius algebra

i.e. it is both an algebra and a co-algebra and the following relation holds:

$$(id_A \otimes m) \circ (\Delta \otimes id_A) = \Delta \circ m = (m \otimes id_A) \circ (id_A \otimes \Delta)$$



Example:  $(\mathbb{Z}, V, \iota, m, \varepsilon, \Delta)$  is a Frobenius system

$$\begin{aligned} \iota: \mathbb{Z} &\rightarrow V \\ 1 &\mapsto v_+ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon: V &\rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ v_+ &\mapsto 0 \\ v_- &\mapsto 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m: V_+ \otimes V_+ &\mapsto V_+ \\ v_+ \otimes v_-, v_- \otimes v_+ &\mapsto v_- \\ v_- \otimes v_- &\mapsto 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example:  $(\mathbb{Q}, V, \iota, m', \varepsilon, \Delta')$  is a Frobenius system

Key idea: A cobordism  $F: K_0 \rightarrow K_1$  induces chain maps

$$CKh(F): CKh(K_0) \rightarrow CKh(K_1)$$

$$Clee(F): Clee(K_0) \rightarrow Clee(K_1)$$

$Clee(F)$  is a filtered map of degree  $\chi(F)$

(see exercise 3.3.11 in Zhang)

Rasmussen's proof that  $\left| \frac{s(K)}{2} \right| \leq g_4(K)$  relies on showing that map induced by cobordism is non-zero.

## Corollary

$\frac{s}{2} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is a surjective homomorphism

↳ well-defined b/c it's zero on slice knots  
 $s$  is additive under connected sum  
 $s(\text{RHT}) = -2$  (gen. of the integers)

## Theorem

If  $D$  is a positive diagram for a **positive knot**  $K$ , then

$$s(K) = \text{gr}_q(s_0) + 1$$

↳ knot who has a projection with all + crossings

## Proof:

The oriented resolution  $D_0$  is the unique resolution at the left most vertex of the cube of resolutions.

Then there are no differentials into this homological grading, so  $s_0$  and  $s_0^-$  are alone in their respective homology classes.

## Exercise:

Show that  $s(T_{p,q}) = (p-1)(q-1)$

and conclude that

$$u(T_{p,q}) = g_4^{\text{smooth}}(T_{p,q}) = \frac{(p-1)(q-1)}{2}$$

by exercise below!

this resolves the Milnor Conjecture

this is the same as the Seifert genus for torus knots

Exercise:

$$g_4^{\text{smooth}}(K) \leq u(K)$$

↑ unknotting number  $u(K)$  is the min. no. of crossing changes to get to unknot

Exercise: (Maybe hard?)

If  $K$  is alternating, then  $s(K) = -\sigma(K)$

Defn: A slice-torus invariant is a concordance homomorphism

$$\phi: \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

satisfying

1. (slice)  $\phi(K) \leq g_4(K) \quad \forall K$

2. (torus)  $\phi(T_{p,q}) = g_4(T_{p,q}) \quad \forall p, q > 0 \text{ coprime}$

Example:

$\frac{s}{2}$  is a slice-torus invariant

$s$  has a lot in common with another concordance invariant  $\tau$  defined by Ozsváth-Szabó coming from Heegaard Floer homology. In particular,  $\tau$  is also a slice-torus invariant.

(there are  $Wh(K)$  where  $s$  and  $\tau$  differs)

$s$  and  $\tau$  are not related by any formula.

$s$  and  $\tau$  are linearly independent in the sense that

$$\frac{s}{2} \oplus \tau: \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \text{ surjective}$$

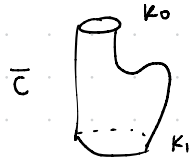
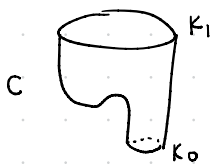
# Ribbon Concordances and Khovanov Homology



No maxima, so order matters!

Theorem: (Levine-Zemke)

If  $C: K_0 \rightarrow K_1$  is a ribbon-concordance, then  
$$\text{Kh}(C): \text{Kh}(K_0) \rightarrow \text{Kh}(K_1)$$
  
is injective with left inverse  $\text{Kh}(\bar{C})$



$C$  upside down (w/ opposite orientation)