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Facts and Dreams About v-Knots and Etingof-Kazhdan, 1

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Abstract. I will describe, to the best of my understanding, the relationship between virtual knots and the Etingof-Kazhdan quantization of Lie bialgebras, and explain why, in my humble opinion, both topologists and algebraists should care. I am not happy yet about the state of my understanding of the subject but I haven't lost hope of achieving happiness, one day.

IMHO

Abstract Generalities

(R, I) : an algebra and an "augmented ideal in it".

$\text{Comp}_I R := \varprojlim R/I^n$ "the I -adic completion"

$\text{gr}_I R := \bigoplus I^m / I^{m+1}$ has a product μ_i
especially $\mu_1: (V = \mathbb{F}_2) \otimes I^2 / I^3 \rightarrow I^2 / I^3$

$A_I(R) := TV / \langle \ker \mu_1 \rangle$ a "quadratic approximation"
of R , surjects by μ on $\text{gr}_I R$.

The Prized Object: A "homomorphic A_I -expansion":

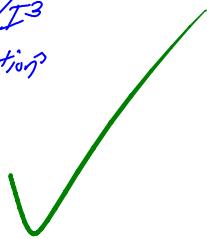
a filtered $Z: R \rightarrow A_I(R)$ which induces
homomorphic the identity on $\mathbb{F}_2 = V$.

Dror's Dream. All interesting graded objects
and equations in mathematics, especially
around quantum groups, arise this way.

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To Do.

- The Peter Lee setup for R, I , "all interesting graded equations arise in this way".
- Example: the pure braid group (mention PvB , too).
- Generalized algebraic structures.
- Example: quandles.
- Example: parenthesized braids and horizontal associators.
- Example: KTGs and non-horizontal associators. ("Bracket rise" arises here).
- Example: wKO's and the Kashiwara-Vergne equations.
- vKO's, bi-algebras, E-K, what would it mean to find an expansion, why I care (stronger invariant, more interesting quotients).
- wKO's, uKO's, and Alekseev-Enriquez-Torosian.
- The third page.

