

Facts and Dreams About v-Knots and Etingof-Kazhdan, 2

Example 6 - Ribbon 2-Knots. Also, "movies of flying rings".

The w-relations include R234, VR1234, D, Overcrossings Commute (OC) but not UC:

The unary w-operations: Unzip along an annulus, Unzip along a disk.

Trivalent w-Tangles: $wTT = \mathcal{A}$ (generators | relations | operations)

Theorem. There exists a homomorphic expansion Z for wTT. In particular, Z respects R4 and intertwines annulus and disk unzips.

$V \cdot (\Delta \otimes 1)(R) = R^{23} R^{23} V$ in $\mathcal{A}^w(t_2)$ $VV' = I$ in $\mathcal{A}^w(t_2)$

$V \cdot \Delta(\omega) = \omega \otimes \omega$ in $\mathcal{A}^w(t_2)$ Kashiwara-Vergne-Alekseev-Enriquez-Torossian

Alekseev-Torossian [AT] (equivalent to Kashiwara-Vergne [KV]). There are elements $F \in \text{TAut}_2$ and $a \in \mathfrak{t}_1$ such that $F(x+y) = \log e^x e^y$ and $jF = a(x) + a(y) - a(\log e^x e^y)$.

Theorem. That's equivalent to a homomorphic expansion for wTT.

The Main Example: $vTT = \mathcal{CA}$ (generators | relations | operations)

Forbidden Theorem. There exists a homomorphic expansion Z for vTT. *Ex. Hay? Add*

Why Forbidden?

- Minor statement details may be off.
- Don't understand the proof.

Why Should We Care?

- A gateway into the forbidden territory of "quantum groups",
- Abstractly more pleasing: We study the things, and not just their representations. *"intermediate steps"*
- Potentially, \mathcal{A}^w has many more things than there are Lie bialgebras. What are they and what are the corresponding theories?
- My old Algebraic Knot Theory dream:

$V \rightarrow \phi^{\text{tubes}}$ after [AT]. "cut and cap" is well-defined(!) on \mathcal{K}^w

Basic: α Better: α_c

Introduce "Punctures". punctures expand to the nearest Y-vertex

\mathcal{K}^w . Allow tubes and strands at tube-strand vertices, yet allow only "compact" knots — no rims to ∞ .

State: $\mathcal{K}^w \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}^w$

Theorem: \mathcal{K}^w has a homomorphic expansion iff \mathcal{A}^w has a homomorphic expansion.

\Rightarrow Puncture \mathcal{A} and Z: $\text{and } \text{and } \rightarrow 0$

\Leftarrow $\mathcal{A}^w \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^w$ (makes sense, and CA can be emulated)

to write any T there go:

Help Needed!

"God created the knots, all else in topology is the work of mortals." Leopold Kronecker (modified)

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are a potential way to harness the power of quantum groups without having to specialize in that dirty art.

\mathcal{A}^w is sometimes easier to study than \mathcal{A}^u : Alexander arises easily from a 2D Lie bialgebra.

* See [WKB] & Chicago talk.

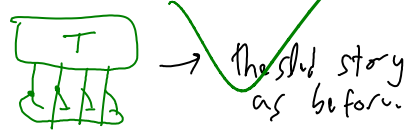
$\mathcal{A}^u(g) \approx U(g) \otimes M$ also, reverse that box left-right.

Write!

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Also not something about bialg

B: with $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{A}$ or \mathcal{A} (or any "classical tangle"), consider



higher priority.

IF space, include thunks for \mathcal{A}^w & BC!

Footnotes

1. I probably mean “a functor from some fixed “structure multi-category” to the multi-category of sets, extended to formal linear combinations”.
2. See my paper [BN1] and my talk/handout/video [BN3].
3. Not so old and not quite written up. Yet see [BN2].

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Plan

1. (8 minutes) The Peter Lee setup for (K, I) , “all interesting graded equations arise in this way”.
2. (3 minutes) Example: the pure braid group (mention PxB , too).
3. (3 minutes) Generalized algebraic structures.
4. (1 minute) Example: quandles.
5. (4 minute) Example: parenthesized braids and horizontal associators.
6. (6 minute) Example: KTGs and non-horizontal associators. (“Bracket rise” arises here).
7. (5 minute) Example: wKO’s and the Kashiwara-Vergne equations.
8. (15 minute) vKO’s, bi-algebras, E-K, what would it mean to find an expansion, why I care (stronger invariant, more interesting quotients).
9. (5 minute) wKO’s, uKO’s, and Alekseev-Enriquez-Torossian.
10. (1 minute) The third page.