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The Pure Virtual Braid Group is Quadratic!

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Let K be an algebra over a field \mathbb{F} with $\text{char } \mathbb{F} = 0$, and let $I \subset K$ be an "augmentation ideal"; meaning $K/I = \mathbb{F}$.

Definition. Say that K is **quadratic** if its associated graded $\text{gr } K = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} I^p/I^{p+1}$ is a quadratic algebra. Alternatively, let $A = Q(K) = \langle V = I/I^2 \rangle / \langle \ker(\bar{\mu}_2 : V \otimes V \rightarrow I^2/I^3) \rangle$ be the "quadratic approximation" to K (Q is a lovely functor). Then K is quadratic iff the obvious $\mu : A \rightarrow \text{gr } K$ is an isomorphism. If G is a group, we say it is quadratic if its group ring is, with its augmentation ideal.

Why Care? • In abstract generality, $\text{gr } K$ is a simplified version of K and if it is quadratic it is as simple as it may be without being silly. • In some concrete (somewhat generalized) knot theoretic cases, A is a space of "universal Lie algebraic formulas" and the "primary approach" for proving (strong) quadraticity, constructing an appropriate homomorphism $Z : K \rightarrow \hat{A}$, becomes wonderful mathematics:

K	u-Knots and Braids	v-Knots	w-Knots
A	Metrized Lie algebras [BN1]	Lie bialgebras [Hav]	Finite dimensional Lie algebras [BN3]
Z	Associators [Dri, BND]	Etingof-Kazhdan quantization [EK, BN2]	Kashiwara-Vergne-Alekseev-Torresian [KV, AT]

PtB_n is the group

$$\langle \sigma_{ij} : 1 \leq i \neq j \leq n \rangle / \begin{cases} \sigma_{ij}\sigma_{ik}\sigma_{jk} = \sigma_{jk}\sigma_{ik}\sigma_{ij} \\ \sigma_{ij}\sigma_{kl} = \sigma_{kl}\sigma_{ij} \end{cases}$$



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of "pure virtual braids" ("braids when you look", "blunder braids"):

Do Wow!

The Main Theorem [Lee]. PtB_n is quadratic.

The Overall Strategy. Consider the "singularity tower" of (K, I) (here " \cdot " means \otimes_K and μ is (always) multiplication):

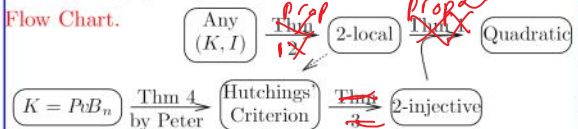
$$\dots \rightarrow I^{p+1} \xrightarrow{\mu_{p+1}} I^p \xrightarrow{\mu_p} I^{p-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow K$$

We care as $\text{im}(\mu^p) = \mu_1 \circ \dots \circ \mu_p = I^p$, so $I^p/I^{p+1} = \text{im } \mu^p / \text{im } \mu^{p+1}$. Hence we ask:

- What's $I^p/\mu(I^{p+1})$?
- How injective is this tower?

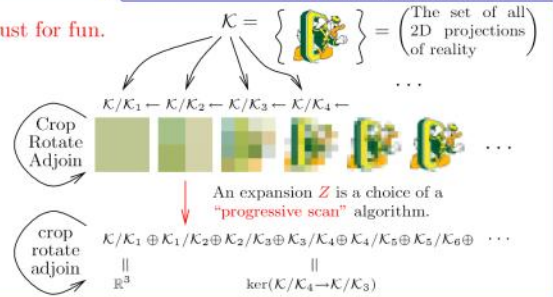
Lemma. $I^p/\mu(I^{p+1}) \simeq (I/I^2)^{\otimes p} = V^{\otimes p}$.

Flow Chart.



$K = PtB_n \xrightarrow{\text{Thm 4 by Peter}} \text{Hutchings' Criterion} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm 2}} \text{2-injective}$

Just for fun.



Example.



(goes back to [Koh])
 $K = \langle \text{braids} \rangle \quad I = \langle \text{relations} \rangle$
 $(K/I^{p+1})^* = (\text{invariants of type } p) =: \mathcal{V}_p$

$$(I^p/I^{p+1})^* = \mathcal{V}_p/\mathcal{V}_{p-1} \quad C = \langle t^{ij} | t^{ij} = t^{ji} \rangle = \langle \text{relations} \rangle$$

$$\ker \bar{\mu}_2 = \langle [t^{ij}, t^{kl}] = 0 = [t^{ij}, t^{ik} + t^{jk}] \rangle = \langle \text{4T relations} \rangle$$

$$A = \left(\text{horizontal chord diagrams mod 4T} \right) = \langle \text{relations} \rangle / \langle \text{4T} \rangle$$

Z : universal finite type invariant, the Kontsevich integral.

2-Injectivity. A (one-sided infinite) sequence

$$\dots \rightarrow K_{p+1} \xrightarrow{\delta_{p+1}} K_p \xrightarrow{\delta_p} \dots \rightarrow K_0 = K$$

is "injective" if for all $p > 0$, $\ker \delta_p = 0$. It is "2-injective" if its "1-reduction"

$$\dots \rightarrow \frac{K_{p+1}}{\ker \delta_{p+1}} \xrightarrow{\bar{\delta}_{p+1}} \frac{K_p}{\ker \delta_p} \xrightarrow{\bar{\delta}_p} \frac{K_{p-1}}{\ker \delta_{p-1}} \rightarrow \dots$$

is injective; i.e. if for all p , $\ker(\bar{\delta}_p \circ \bar{\delta}_{p+1}) = \ker \bar{\delta}_{p+1}$. A pair (K, I) is "2-injective" if its singularity tower is 2-injective.

Theorem 1. The pair (K, I) is "2-local" if the sequence

$$R_p := \bigoplus_{j=1}^{p-1} (I^{j-1} : R_2 : I^{p-j-1}) \xrightarrow{\partial} I^p \xrightarrow{\mu_p} I^{p-1}$$

is exact, where $R_2 := \ker \mu : I^2 \rightarrow I$; so (K, I) is "2-local".

Theorem 1. If (K, I) is 2-local and 2-injective, it is quadratic.

Proof. Staring at the 1-reduced sequence

$$\frac{I^{p+1}}{\ker \mu_{p+1}} \xrightarrow{\mu_{p+1}} \frac{I^p}{\ker \mu_p} \xrightarrow{\mu_p} \dots \rightarrow K, \text{ get } \frac{I^p}{I^{p+1}} \simeq \frac{I^p/\ker \mu_p}{\mu(I^{p+1}/\ker \mu_{p+1})} \simeq \frac{I^p}{\mu(I^{p+1}) + \ker \mu_p}.$$

But trivially $\frac{I^p}{\mu(I^{p+1}) + \ker \mu_p} \simeq \frac{I^p}{\mu(I^{p+1})} \simeq (I/I^2)^{\otimes p}$, so the above is $(I/I^2)^{\otimes p} / \sum (I^{j-1} : R_2 : I^{p-j-1})$.

But that's the degree p piece of $Q(K)$.

Prop 1, the free case. If \mathcal{J} is an augmentation ideal

in $K = F = \langle x_i \rangle$, denote $F \rightarrow F/\mathcal{J} = \mathbb{F}$ by

$x_i \mapsto [x_i]$, and define $\Psi : F \rightarrow F$ by $x_i \mapsto x_i + [x_i]$.

$\mathbb{Z} \mapsto [\mathbb{Z}]$, and define $\Psi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ by $x_i \mapsto x_i + [\mathbb{Z}]$.

Then $J_0 = \Psi(J) = \{w \in F : \deg w > 0\}$. For J_0 it is easy to check that $R_2 = R_p = 0$, and hence the same is true for every J .

Prop 1, the general case. If $K = F/M$ and

$I \subset K$, then $I = J/M$ where $J \subset F$. Then

$I^{iP} = J^{iP} / \sum J^{j-1} : M : J^{p-j}$ and we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 J^{iP} & \xrightarrow{\mu^F} & J^{iP-1} \\
 \text{onto} \downarrow \pi_p & & \pi_{p-1} \downarrow \text{onto} \\
 I^{iP} = J^{iP} / \sum J^j : M : J^{p-j} & \xrightarrow{\mu^K} & I^{iP-1} = J^{iP-1} / \sum J^j : M : J^{p-j}
 \end{array}$$

So $\ker(\mu^K) = \pi_p(\mu_F^{-1}(\ker(\pi_{p-1}))) =$

$= \pi_p(\sum \mu_F^{-1}(J^{j-1} : M : J^{p-j-1}))$

$= \pi_p(\sum J^{j-1} : \mu_F^{-1}(M) : J^{p-j-1})$

$= \sum I^{j-1} : R_2 : I^{p-j-1}$

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Footnotes

1. Following a homonymous paper and thesis by Peter Lee [Lee]. All serious work here is his, ~~DBN~~ page design by VP. *the latter.*

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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \rightarrow & J_F & \rightarrow & F & \rightarrow & F \rightarrow \dots \\
 & & & & \uparrow & & \parallel \\
 & & & & x_i & & \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & & & x_i - [x_i] & & \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \rightarrow & I_F & \rightarrow & F & \xrightarrow{[\]} & F \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

"In the free case, all augmentations ideals are equivalent"

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & I_F & \longrightarrow & F & \xrightarrow{[\gamma]} & F & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & I & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

Ideals are equivalent.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & J_F & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & I & \longrightarrow & K & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

claim If $A \xrightarrow{\gamma} B$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \downarrow \pi_A & \downarrow \pi_B \\
 C & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & D
 \end{array}$$

then $\ker \gamma =$

$$\pi_A(\gamma^{-1} \ker(\pi_B)) =$$

$$= \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & A & \\
 \swarrow & & \searrow \\
 A/B & \xrightarrow{\mu} & A/C
 \end{array}$$

$\ker \mu = C/B$

$$\sum J^{j-1} \otimes M \otimes J^{p-1-j}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 J: p & \longrightarrow & J: p-1 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 I: p & \longrightarrow & I: p-1 & &
 \end{array}$$

Recycling:

proof of Prop 1. The free case If $K=F = \langle x_i \rangle$ is free, replace its augmentation ideal I_F by $J_F := \langle wFF : \deg w \geq 1 \rangle$, using

$$(F, I_F) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{x_i \mapsto x_i+1} \\ \xleftarrow{x_i \mapsto x_i} \end{array} (F, J_F)$$

For J_F trivially $R_2 = 0$ and so is R_p , so the same holds for J_F .

can this be skipped if all maximal ideals in F are "the same"?