

Minimal models for MFs

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We examine what the structure maps for \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded A_∞ -algebras mean, paying particular attention to the minimal models of x^q .

Note A \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded A_{∞} -algebra with $m_1=0$, and only nonzero products m_2 and m_d for some particular $d \geq 2$.

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$$m_2: A^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow A \quad \text{even}$$

$$m_d: A^{\otimes d} \rightarrow A \quad \text{degree } d$$

The constraints on these operators are

$$A^{\otimes r} \otimes A^{\otimes s} \otimes A^{\otimes t} \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_s \otimes 1} A^{\otimes r} \otimes A^{\otimes s+t} \xrightarrow{m_d} A \quad (-1)^{r+s+t}$$

so the possibilities for relations are indexed by

$$u=2, s=2$$

$$1 \otimes m_2 \otimes 1 \quad r=0, t=1$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A^{\otimes 2} \otimes A^{\otimes 1} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_2 \otimes 1} & A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A^{\otimes 1} \\ \text{1/2} & & \downarrow m_2 \\ A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A^{\otimes 2} \otimes A^{\otimes 0} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_2 \otimes 1} & A^{\otimes 1} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes 0} \end{array} \quad (2.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow m_2(1 \otimes m_2) = m_2(m_2 \otimes 1).$$

$$u=2, s=d$$

$$u=d, s=2$$

$$1 \otimes m_d \otimes 1$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A^{\otimes d} \otimes A^{\otimes 0} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_d \otimes 1} & A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A^{\otimes 1} \\ \text{1/2} & & \downarrow m_2 \\ A^{\otimes 1} \otimes A^{\otimes d} \otimes A^{\otimes 0} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_d \otimes 1} & A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes 0} \end{array}$$

$$(-1)^d$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A^{\otimes d} \otimes A^{\otimes d} & \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m_2 \otimes 1} & A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes d-1} \\
 & \downarrow & \searrow (-1)^{d+1} m_d \\
 & \longrightarrow & A^{\otimes 1} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes(d-2)} \xrightarrow{-} A \\
 & \downarrow & \nearrow m_d \\
 & & ; \\
 & & A^{\otimes(d-2)} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes 1} \\
 & \downarrow & \nearrow m_d \\
 & & A^{\otimes d-1} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes 0}
 \end{array}$$

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So finally we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (-1)^d m_2 (m_d(a_0 \otimes \dots \otimes a_{d-1}) \otimes a_d) - m_2 (a_0 \otimes m_d(a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_d)) \\
 & + m_d (m_2(a_0 \otimes a_1) \otimes \dots) - m_d (a_0 \otimes m_2(a_1 \otimes a_2) \otimes \dots) \\
 & + \dots + (-1)^{d-1} m_d (a_0 \otimes \dots \otimes m_2(a_{d-1} \otimes a_d)) = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

$u=d, s=d$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A^{\otimes d} \otimes A^{\otimes(d-1)} & \xrightarrow{(\otimes m_d \otimes 1)} & A^{\otimes 0} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes d-1} \\
 & \downarrow & \searrow m_d \\
 & \longrightarrow & A \\
 & \downarrow & \nearrow m_d \\
 & & ; \\
 & & A^{\otimes(d-1)} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes 0} \\
 & \downarrow & \nearrow m_d \\
 A^{\otimes(d-1)} \otimes A^{\otimes d} \otimes A^{\otimes 0} & \xrightarrow{(\otimes m_d \otimes 1)} & A^{\otimes(d-1)} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes 0}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 r+t &= d-1 \\
 t &= d-1-r
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (-1)^{r+d} t &= (-1)^{r+d(d-1-r)} \\
 &= (-1)^{r+dr} \\
 &= (-1)^{r(d+1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^{d-1} m_d(1^{\otimes r} \otimes m_d \otimes 1^{\otimes d-1-r}) \cdot (-1)^{r(d+1)} = 0. \tag{3.2}$$

Let $(A, \{m_n\}_{n \geq 2})$ be a \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded A_∞ -algebra as above. A \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded A_∞ -module M over A is defined by the same equations, where we assume now $m_1 = 0$. For simplicity let us write b_n , $n \geq 2$ for the multiplications on M .

$$b_n : M \otimes A^{\otimes(n-1)} \longrightarrow M \quad (\text{4.1})$$

This is degree $2-n$, so degree n .

- Associativity from (2.1) says the action

$$b_2 : M \otimes A \longrightarrow M$$

actually makes b_2 a right A -module (absent unitality which we do not discuss yet).

Then (3.1) says

$$\begin{aligned} & b_2(bd(m_0 \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_{d-1}) \otimes ad) - b_2(m_0 \otimes bd(a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes ad)) \\ & + b_d(b_2(m_0 \otimes a_1) \otimes \dots) - bd(m_0 \otimes m_2(a_1 \otimes a_2) \otimes \dots) \\ & + \dots + (-1)^{d-1} bd(m_0 \otimes a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes m_2(a_{d-1} \otimes ad)) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{4.2})$$

i.e.

$$bd(m_0 \otimes \alpha) \cdot ad - m_0 \circ m_d(\alpha \otimes ad) = \dots \quad \alpha \in A^{\otimes(d-1)}$$

Example Consider the A_∞ -algebra A of p. ⑩ (ainfmf3) for $d > 2$, so with $|\alpha| = 1$

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$$A = k \oplus k \cdot \alpha \quad (5.1)$$

with the multiplication of $k[\alpha]/(\alpha^2)$ and

$$m_d : A^{\otimes d} \longrightarrow A$$

nonzero on all basis elements except

$$m_d(\alpha \otimes \cdots \otimes \alpha) = (-1)^{\binom{d}{2}} \cdot 1. \quad (5.2)$$

First we check m_2, m_d satisfy the A_∞ -constraints (3.1), (3.2).

Now (3.2) holds trivially, while for (3.1)

$$m_2(m_d(a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-1}) \otimes a_d) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{not all } a_0 = \cdots = a_{d-1} = \alpha \\ (-1)^{\binom{d}{2}} a_d & \text{all } a_0 = \cdots = a_{d-1} = \alpha \end{cases}$$

$$m_2(a_0 \otimes m_d(a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_d)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{not all } a_1 = \cdots = a_d = \alpha \\ (-1)^{\binom{d}{2} + d|a_0|} a_0 & \text{all } a_1 = \cdots = a_d = \alpha \end{cases}$$

$$m_d(m_2(a_0 \otimes a_1) \otimes \cdots) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\binom{d}{2}} & \text{exactly one of } a_0, a_1 \text{ is } \alpha, \text{ all } a_2, \dots \text{ are } \alpha \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Note the m 's here are the m 's of ainfcat so

$$\begin{aligned} m_d(\alpha \otimes \cdots \otimes \alpha) &= (-1)^{\binom{d}{2}} M(\alpha \otimes \cdots \otimes \alpha) = (-1)^{\binom{d}{2}} p_d(\alpha \otimes \cdots \otimes \alpha) \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\quad m \text{ of } \text{ainfcat} \end{aligned}$$

$$= (-1)^{\binom{d}{2}} \cdot 1 \quad \downarrow$$

The sum of the $m_d(\dots)$ terms in (3.1) will be zero unless the input has d α 's and a single 1 somewhere. And the sum will be zero unless that 1 is at one of the extremes. (because otherwise consecutive terms cancel).

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The m_2 terms are zero unless the input is of the same form (i.e. $1 \otimes \alpha \dots \alpha$ or $\alpha \otimes 1 \otimes \dots \otimes 1$). On these two inputs we easily check that (3.1) works. (note the sign in (5.2) is important!). Hence (A, m_2, m_d) is an A_∞ -algebra.

Modules over the A_∞ -algebra A of (5.1) may, of course, have nontrivial higher multiplications in all degrees. First let us consider an A_∞ -module M with only m_2 (so $m_1 = 0, m_n = 0$ for $n > 3$). So M is a \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded k -module with even

$$m_2 : M \otimes_k A \longrightarrow M \quad (6.1)$$

If we assume unital, this is really the data of an odd operator

$$\gamma := m_2(- \otimes \alpha) : M \longrightarrow M. \quad (6.2)$$

The A_∞ -constraints involve, with sign $(-1)^{r+st}$

$$M \otimes A^{\otimes(r-1)} \otimes A^{\otimes s} \otimes A^{\otimes t} \xrightarrow{(-1)^{ms \otimes 1}} M \otimes A^{\otimes(r-1)} \otimes A \otimes A^{\otimes t} \xrightarrow{m_u} M \quad u = r+1+t, \quad r, t \geq 0.$$

Here $r=0$ means we use

$$M \otimes A^{\otimes(s-1)} \otimes A^{\otimes t} \xrightarrow{m_s \otimes 1} M \otimes A^{\otimes t} \xrightarrow{m_{t+1}} M$$

And then as usual

$$\sum (-1)^{r+s t} m_2(1 \otimes m_s \otimes 1^{\otimes t}) = 0. \quad (7.1).$$

If only m_2 is nonvanishing then we have the same potential relations from (2.1), (3.1), (3.2). Clearly (2.1) expresses that M is an A -module, and this simply means

$$\partial^2 = 0.$$

So M is a \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded complex. Now (3.1) says

$$m_2(a_0 \otimes m_d(a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes ad)) = (-1)^d m_2(m_d(a_0 \otimes \cdots) \otimes ad) \\ = 0$$

$$a_0 \doteq m_2(a_0 \otimes 1) = m_2(a_0 \otimes (-1)^{d-1} m_d(d \otimes \cdots \otimes d)) \\ = 0$$

well, so M is the zero module. So we have to allow at least one higher multiplication, namely $m_d: M \otimes A^{\otimes(d-1)} \rightarrow M$ of degree d . Substituting $ad=1$ in (3.1) we find (for $a_0 \in M$)

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$$(-1)^d m_d(a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-1}) = -m_d(m_2(a_0 \otimes a_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-1} \otimes 1) \\ + m_d(a_0 \otimes m_2(a_1 \otimes a_2) \otimes \cdots \otimes 1) \\ \vdots \\ + (-1)^{d-1} m_d(a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes m_2(a_{d-1} \otimes 1))$$

From (7.2) we compute

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$$\begin{aligned} & (-1)^d \cdot 2 \cdot \text{md}(a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-1}) \\ &= -\text{md}(a_0 \circ a_1 \otimes a_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-1} \otimes 1) \\ &+ \text{md}(a_0 \otimes a_1 \circ a_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-1} \otimes 1) \quad (8.1) \\ & \vdots \\ & + (-1)^d \text{md}(a_0 \otimes a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-2} \circ a_{d-1} \otimes 1) \end{aligned}$$

which gives us a recursive formula for md in terms of md on more 1's.^{? (no)}
The relation (3.2) says

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{md}(\text{md}(a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-1}) \otimes a_d \otimes \cdots) \\ &+ (-1)^{d-1} \overset{+d|a_0|}{\text{md}}(a_0 \otimes \text{md}(\cdots) \otimes \cdots) \\ &+ \cdots \\ &+ (-1)^{(d-1)(d+1)} \overset{+d(|a_0|+\cdots+|a_{d-2}|)}{\text{md}}(a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{d-2} \otimes \text{md}(\cdots)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the case of an A_∞ -module M with only m_2, m_3 nonzero for $d=3$. Then the constraints are, writing m_2 as \bullet

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$$\bullet \quad m_2(m \otimes m_2(a \otimes b)) = m_2(m \otimes ab) \\ m \circ (ab) = (m \circ a) \circ b. \quad (9.1)$$

Now if we assume $1 \in A$ acts as a unit, the only data here is the odd k -linear operator

$$\partial := m_2(- \otimes \varepsilon) : M \rightarrow M$$

and (9.1) says precisely $\partial^2 = 0$. Next, (3.1) says

(9.2)

$$-m_2(m_3(m \otimes a \otimes b) \otimes c) - (-1)^{|m|} m_2(m \otimes m_3(a \otimes b \otimes c)) \\ + m_3(m \circ a \otimes b \otimes c) - m_3(m \otimes ab \otimes c) \\ + m_3(m \otimes a \otimes bc) = 0$$

We define

$$\begin{aligned} h &:= m_3(- \otimes \varepsilon \otimes \varepsilon) & |h| &= 1 \\ k &:= m_3(- \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon) & |k| &= 0 \\ \ell &:= m_3(- \otimes \varepsilon \otimes 1) & |\ell| &= 0 \\ \alpha &:= m_3(- \otimes 1 \otimes 1) & |\alpha| &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (9.3)$$

Then the constraint (9.2) says precisely

(9.4)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \varepsilon \end{array} \quad \begin{aligned} -\alpha(m) + \alpha(m) - \alpha(m) + \alpha(m) &= 0 \\ -\partial\alpha(m) + k(m) - k(m) + k(m) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{k = \partial\alpha} \quad (9.5)$$

$$1 \quad \varepsilon \quad 1 \quad -k(m) + \ell(m) - \ell(m) + k(m) = 0$$

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$$\varepsilon \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad -\ell(m) + \alpha \partial(m) - \ell(m) + \ell(m) = 0$$

$$\ell = \alpha \partial$$

(10.2)

$$1 \quad \varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \quad -\partial k(m) + h(m) - h(m) = 0$$

$$\partial k = 0$$

(10.3)

$$\varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \quad 1 \quad -h(m) + \ell \partial(m) + h(m) = 0$$

$$\ell \partial = 0$$

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$$\varepsilon \quad 1 \quad \varepsilon \quad -\partial \ell(m) + k \partial(m) - h(m) + h(m) = 0$$

$$k \partial = \partial \ell$$

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$$\varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \quad -\partial h(m) - (-1)^{|m|+d-1} m$$

$$+ h \partial(m) = 0$$

$$(h \partial - \partial h)(m) = (-1)^{|m|} m$$

(10.6)

If we set $A(m) = (-1)^{|m|} m : M \ni$ then $Hh = -hH$ and (10.6) says

$$Ah \partial - A \partial h = 1$$

$$\therefore Ah \partial + A \partial h = 1$$

$$[Ah, \partial] = 1.$$

Finally the relation (3.2) says

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$$m_3(m_3(m \otimes a \otimes b) \otimes c \otimes d) + (-1)^{|m|} m_3(m \otimes m_3(a \otimes b \otimes c) \otimes d) + (-1)^{|m|+|a|} m_3(m \otimes a \otimes m_3(b \otimes c \otimes d)) = 0 \quad (11.1)$$

which reads

a b c d

$$\begin{matrix} | & | & | & | \end{matrix} \quad \alpha^2(m) = 0$$

$$\alpha^2 = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} | & | & | & \varepsilon \end{matrix} \quad k\alpha(m) = 0$$

$$k\alpha = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} | & | & \varepsilon & | \end{matrix} \quad l\alpha(m) = 0$$

$$l\alpha = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} | & \varepsilon & | & | \end{matrix} \quad \alpha k(m) = 0$$

$$\alpha k = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \varepsilon & | & | & | \end{matrix} \quad \alpha l(m) = 0$$

$$\alpha l = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} | & | & \varepsilon & \varepsilon \end{matrix} \quad h\alpha(m) = 0$$

$$h\alpha = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} | & \varepsilon & \varepsilon & | \end{matrix}$$

$$\alpha h = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \varepsilon & \varepsilon & | & | \end{matrix}$$

$$k^2 = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} | & \varepsilon & | & \varepsilon \end{matrix}$$

$$kl = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \varepsilon & | & \varepsilon & | \end{matrix}$$

$$l^2 = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} | & \varepsilon & \varepsilon & \varepsilon \end{matrix} \quad hk(m) + (-1)^{|m|} \cdot 0 + (-1)^{|m|} \alpha(m) = 0$$

$$hk + \alpha = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \varepsilon & \varepsilon & \varepsilon & | \end{matrix} \quad lh(m) + (-1)^{|m|} \alpha(m) = 0$$

$$lh + \alpha = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \varepsilon & | & \varepsilon & \varepsilon \end{matrix} \quad hl(m) = 0$$

$$hl = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \varepsilon & \varepsilon & | & \varepsilon \end{matrix} \quad kh(m) = 0$$

$$kh = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} \varepsilon & \varepsilon & \varepsilon & \varepsilon \end{matrix} \quad h^2(m) + (-1)^{|m|} rk(m) - (-1)^{|m|} lr(m) = 0 \quad h^2 + rk - lr = 0$$

So an A_{∞} -module with only m_2, m_3 nonzero over A
for $d=3$ is precisely the data of

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- a \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded vector space M
- operators $\partial, h, k, \ell, \alpha$ as in (9.3) with $\partial^2 = 0$
and the relations in (9.5), (10.1)–(10.6), (11.2).

$$(11.2) \Rightarrow \alpha = -hka = -\ell ha \\ \therefore hk = \ell h$$

$$(10.2) \Rightarrow \ell = \alpha \partial = -hk \alpha \partial = hk \partial a \quad (12.1) \\ \ell = \alpha \partial = -\ell ha \partial = \ell h \partial a$$

now $k \partial = \partial k$ by (10.5)

$$\therefore \ell = h \partial \ell a$$

let us eliminate k, ℓ via (4.5), (10.2), leaves

$$h \partial - \partial h = a \quad (a)$$

$$\alpha^2 = 0 \quad (b)$$

$$\alpha \partial \alpha = 0 \quad (c)$$

$$h \alpha = 0 \quad (d)$$

$$\alpha h = 0 \quad (e)$$

$$\cancel{h \partial \alpha + \alpha \partial a = 0} \quad (f)$$

$$\cancel{\alpha \partial h + \alpha a = 0} \quad (g)$$

$$h^2 + \partial \alpha a - \alpha \partial a = 0 \quad (h)$$

(12.2)

Now (a) $\Rightarrow \alpha a = \alpha h \partial - \alpha \partial h \stackrel{(e)}{=} -\alpha \partial h$ so (g) is redundant. ainfmf8

$$(b) \Rightarrow h \partial a = (\partial h + a) a \stackrel{(d)}{=} a \partial = -\alpha a \text{ so (f) is redundant.}$$

$$(b) + (d) + (e) \Rightarrow 0 = h^3 + h \partial a - h \alpha \partial a \stackrel{(d)}{=} h^3 + h \partial a - h^3 - \alpha a \\ = h^3 - \alpha a^2 = h^3 - \alpha$$

$$h^3 = \alpha$$

so (12.2) are equivalent to

$$h \partial - \partial h = a \quad (i)$$

$$h^4 = 0 \quad (ii)$$

$$\cancel{h^3 \partial h^3 = 0} \quad (iii)$$

$$\cancel{h^2 + \partial h^3 a - h^3 \partial a = 0} \quad (iv)$$

Now (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) and (iv) gives

$$h^3 + -\cancel{\partial h^4 a} + h^3 \partial h a = 0$$

$$h^3 + h^3 (h \partial - a) a = 0 \quad \text{nothing.}$$

\therefore An A_{∞} -module is

- odd operators h, ∂ s.t. (i), (ii), (iv) hold.

$$m_3(-\otimes 1 \otimes 1) = h^3 \quad m_3(-\otimes \varepsilon \otimes 1) = h^3 \partial$$

$$m_3(-\otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon) = \partial h^3 \quad m_3(-\otimes \varepsilon \otimes \varepsilon) = h.$$

From (i) we obtain

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$$\begin{aligned}\partial h^3 &= \partial h h^2 \\&= (h\partial - a)h^2 \\&= h\partial h^2 - ah^2 = h(h\partial - a)h - ah^2 \\&= h^2\partial h - hah - ah^2 \\h^3\partial &= h^2(\partial h + a) \\&= h^2\partial h + h^2a = h^2\partial h + ah^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore (\partial h^3 - h^3\partial)a &= (h^2\partial h - h^2\partial h - ah^2)a \\&= -ah^2a \\&= -h^2\end{aligned}$$

so in fact (iv) is redundant.

Writing $H = \frac{ah}{h^2a}$ we can rewrite (i), (ii) as

$$H\partial + \partial H = 1$$

$$H^4 = 0.$$