
From critical points to A_∞ -categories

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Outline

I. From dynamical systems to A_∞ -products

II. Constructing A_∞ -categories via idempotents

Dynamical systems

A general non-linear dynamical system is given by a system of DEs

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \dot{x}_1 = F_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ \dot{x}_2 = F_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_n = F_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \dot{\underline{x}} = F(\underline{x}) \\ F : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

An important class of dynamical systems are those which are conservative, in the sense that there is a scalar potential $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$,

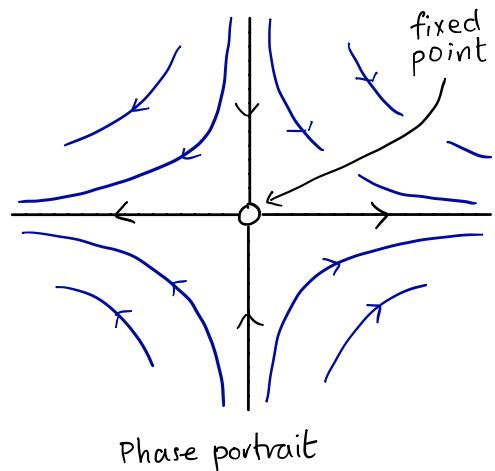
$$F = \nabla f.$$

$$\left\{ \text{fixed points of system} \right\} = \left\{ \text{critical points of } f \right\}$$
$$\nabla f(\underline{x}) = 0$$

Example Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2\end{aligned}\quad \dot{\underline{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \underline{x}$$

Solution trajectories look like $\underline{x}(t) = (Ae^t, Be^{-t})$ for any $A, B \in \mathbb{R}$.



The scalar potential governing this system is

$$f = \frac{1}{2}x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}x_2^2$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Dynamical systems

To understand the dynamics near an isolated critical point of f we need to analyse the Hessian of f , i.e.

$$H_f := \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n},$$

its eigenvectors and eigenvalues. Actually the right way to think of this data is as a symmetric bilinear form on the tangent space $T_{\underline{x}^*} U$ at a critical point $\underline{x}^* \in U$, i.e.

$$(T_{\underline{x}^*} U, \langle , \rangle) \text{ where } \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \Big|_{\underline{x} = \underline{x}^*}$$

with $\underline{u} = \underline{x} - \underline{x}^*$,

$$\underbrace{\dot{\underline{u}}}_{\text{linear system}} = H_f \Big|_{\underline{x}^*} \underline{u} + \text{quadratic terms in } \underline{u} \text{ involving higher derivatives of } f$$

Morse Lemma

If $H_f|_{\underline{x}^*}$ is invertible (i.e. the corresponding bilinear form is nondegenerate) for an isolated critical pt. \underline{x}^* then there is a coordinate neighbourhood around \underline{x}^* where

$$f = x_1^2 + \cdots + x_p^2 - x_{p+1}^2 - \cdots - x_n^2$$

so that in those coordinates

$$H_f|_{\underline{x}^*} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & -1 & \\ & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{}_P \quad \underbrace{}_Q$

Defⁿ A critical point \underline{x}^* is nondegenerate if $H_f|_{\underline{x}^*}$ is invertible.

$$\therefore \text{locally} \quad \dot{\underline{u}} = H_f|_{\underline{x}^*} \underline{u} \quad \underline{u} = \underline{x} - \underline{x}^*$$

Quadratic spaces

Defⁿ The category \mathcal{Q} of quadratic spaces over \mathbb{R} has

- objects are f.d. vector spaces equipped with a nondegenerate symmetric bilinear form.
- morphisms $Q(V, W) = \{ T: V \rightarrow W \text{ linear} \mid \langle Tu, Tv \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle \quad \forall u, v \}$.

- Example
- $X_{p,q} := (\mathbb{R}^{\oplus p} \oplus \mathbb{R}^{\oplus q}, \begin{pmatrix} I_p & 0 \\ 0 & -I_q \end{pmatrix})$ is a representative set of objects
(Sylvester's law of inertia)
 - $X_{1,0} = (\mathbb{R}, (1)) \xrightarrow{(!)} (\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}) = X_{1,1}$ is a morphism.
 - $(T_{\underline{x}^*} U, \langle , \rangle)$ $\left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle = \left. \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right|_{\underline{x}=\underline{x}^*}$ at a nondeg. critical pt. \underline{x}^* .

Lemma \mathcal{Q} is a symmetric monoidal category under direct sum of v. spaces.

Clifford algebras

Associated to each quadratic space V is an algebra $C(V)$, the Clifford algebra which is universal among \mathbb{R} -algebras C (associative and unital) equipped with a linear map $\iota : V \rightarrow C$ satisfying

$$\iota(v)\iota(w) + \iota(w)\iota(v) = 2\langle v, w \rangle \cdot 1_C.$$

$$(\text{so e.g. } \iota(v)^2 = \langle v, v \rangle \cdot 1_C)$$

This thing exists, is naturally \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded, $V \hookrightarrow C(V)^1$ is injective and $C(V)$ is $2^{\dim(V)}$ dimensional.

Examples $C(X_{0,0}) \cong \mathbb{R}$, $C(X_{0,1}) \cong \mathbb{C}$, $C(X_{0,2}) \cong \mathbb{H}$

Lemma $C(-)$ is a strong monoidal functor $\mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \text{Alg}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\mathbb{Z}_2}$, i.e. there are natural isomorphisms $C(0) \cong \mathbb{R}$ and

$$C(V \otimes W) \cong \underbrace{C(V) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} C(W)}_{\text{really direct sum!}}$$

critical point x^* of $f \rightsquigarrow$ quadratic space $(T_{x^*}U, H_f|_{x^*})$

\rightsquigarrow Clifford algebra $C(T_{x^*}U, H_f|_{x^*})$

\rightsquigarrow Abelian category $\text{Mod}^{\mathbb{Z}_2} C(T_{x^*}U, H_f|_{x^*})$
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 finite-dimensional \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded modules

Defⁿ Nondegenerate isolated critical points form a bicategory $\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ndg}}$

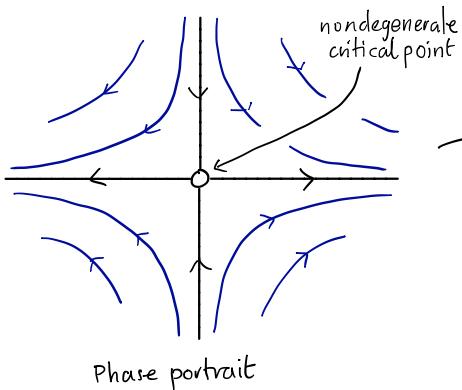
- objects quadratic spaces \vee
- 1-morphisms $\vee \rightarrow W$ are \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded finite-dimensional $C(W) - C(V)$ -bimodules.
- 2-morphisms are bimodule homomorphisms.

Proposition $\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ndg}}$ is a symmetric monoidal bicategory in which every object is fully dualisable. (duals for objects and 1-morphisms)

Example

- $\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ndg}}(O, V) = \text{Mod}^{\mathbb{Z}_2} C(V)$. ($O = X_{0,0} = \mathbb{1}$)
- $X_{0,1}^{\otimes 8} \cong \mathbb{1}$ (Bott periodicity)

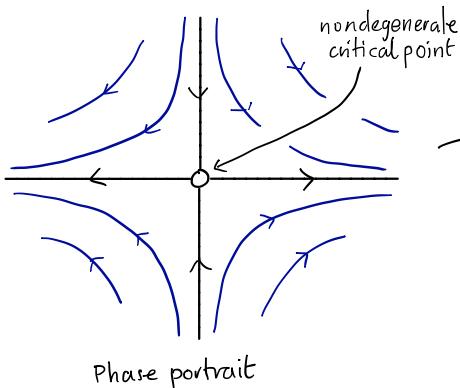
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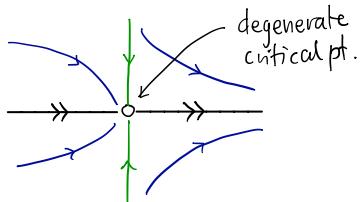
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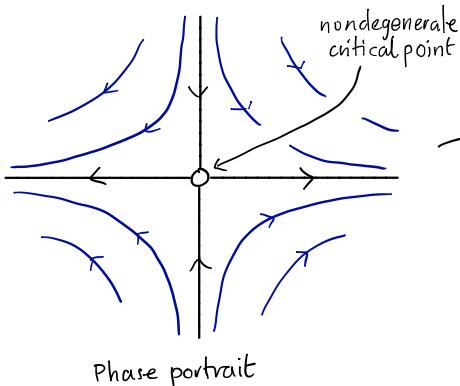
Around an isolated (degenerate) critical point \underline{x}^*

$$\dot{\underline{u}} = H_f|_{\underline{x}^*} \underline{u} + \underbrace{\text{quadratic terms in } \underline{u}}_{\text{linear system}}$$

involving higher derivatives of the potential f .

where $\underline{u} = \underline{x} - \underline{x}^*$, the dynamics do depend on the higher derivatives of f .

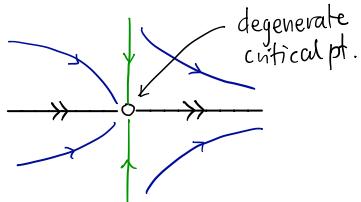
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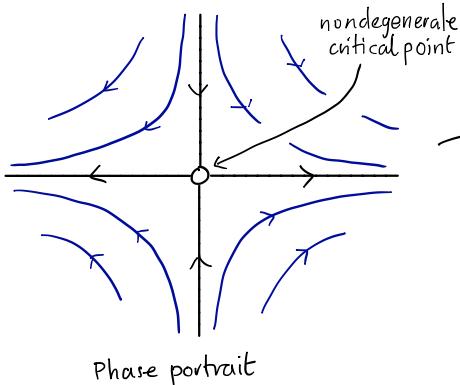
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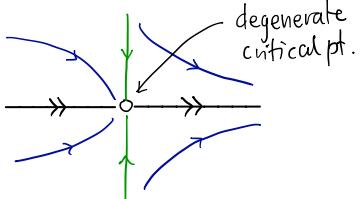
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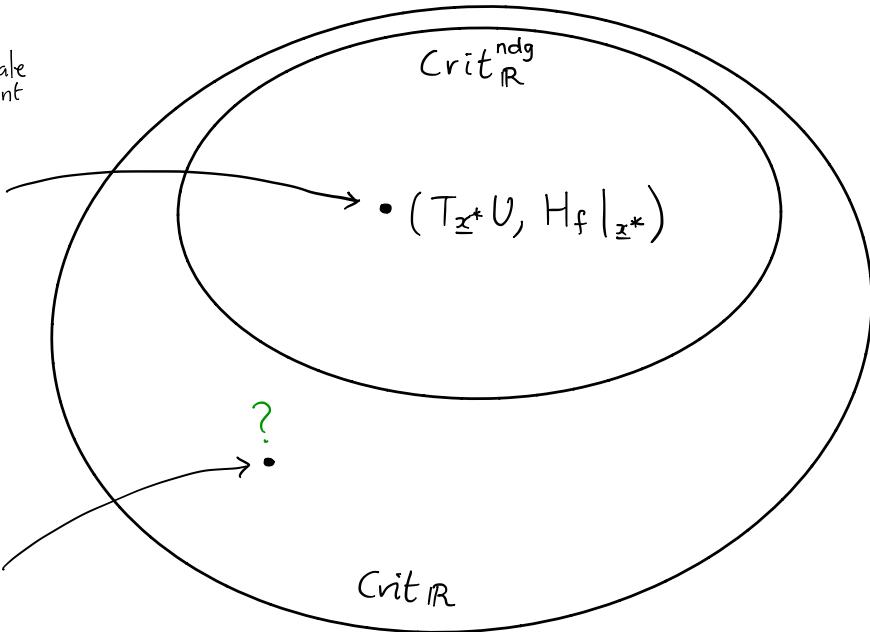
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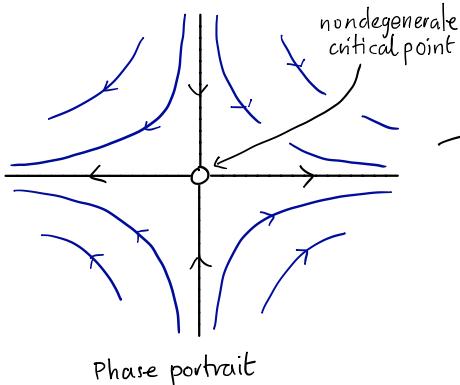
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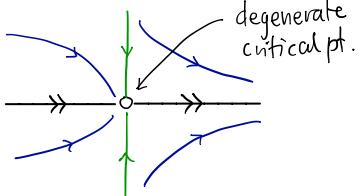
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A_∞ -algebras!
via matrix factorisations

$\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}$

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Matrix factorisations

Let X be a \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded f.d. module over the Clifford algebra

$C(X_{p,q})$: generated by $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{p+q}$ subject to

$$\gamma_1^2 = \dots = \gamma_p^2 = 1$$

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Dirac's idea

Set $A = \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_{p+q}]$, and

$$X \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} A \supset \partial = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sigma_i$$

\mathbb{Z}_2 -graded free A -module

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial^2 &= \sum_{i,j} x_i x_j \sigma_i \sigma_j \\
 &= \sum_i x_i^2 \sigma_i^2 \\
 &= \underbrace{x_1^2 + \dots + x_p^2 - x_{p+1}^2 - \dots - x_{p+q}^2}_{\text{acting on } X \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} A}
 \end{aligned}$$

Potentials Let k be a commutative \mathbb{Q} -algebra, then $f \in R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is called a potential if

(i) $\partial_{x_1} f, \dots, \partial_{x_n} f$ is quasi-regular

(ii) $R / (\partial_{x_1} f, \dots, \partial_{x_n} f)$ is a f.g. free k -module

(iii) the Koszul complex of $\partial_{x_1} f, \dots, \partial_{x_n} f$ is exact outside $\text{deg. } 0$.

Example $f \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ such that $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n] / (\partial_{x_1} f, \dots, \partial_{x_n} f) < \infty$.
(isolated critical points)

Def^n The DG-category $\mathcal{A} = mf(R, f)$ has

- objects f. rank matrix factorisations of f , i.e. $X \otimes \Omega^2_X = f \cdot 1_X$.

- morphisms $A(x, y) = (\text{Hom}_R(X, Y), \alpha \mapsto d_Y \alpha - (-1)^{|\alpha|} \alpha d_X)$.

This is a \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded DG-category over R .

Remarks

- $hmf(R, f) := H^0 mf(R, f)$ is triangulated (Calabi-Yau).
- Given a quadratic space V with associated quadratic $f \in \text{Sym}(V^*)$
 $\text{Mod}_{f.d.}^{\mathbb{Z}_2} C(V) \cong hmf(\text{Sym}(V^*), f)^{\sim}$
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(Buchweitz-Eisenbud-Herzog)

From a potential f to an A_∞ -algebra A_f

Assume k is a field and $\text{Sing}(f) = \{0\}$. Then there is a standard generator

$$\text{thick}(A) = \text{hmf}(R, f)^\omega$$

A_∞ -transfer
(minimal model
theorem)



$$\text{perf } \text{End}_R(A) \cong \text{hmf}(R, f)^\omega \quad (\text{Keller-Lefevre})$$

$$\text{perf}_\infty H^* \text{End}_R(A) \cong \text{hmf}(R, f)^\omega$$

A_∞ -algebra A_f , is a Clifford algebra for quadratic f .
 A_∞ -products package higher derivatives of f .

Let $\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}$ be the bicategory of A_∞ -algebras $A_{(f, \underline{x}^*)}$ associated to isolated critical points and their A_∞ -bimodules (\cong the bicategory $\mathcal{LG}_{\mathbb{R}}$).

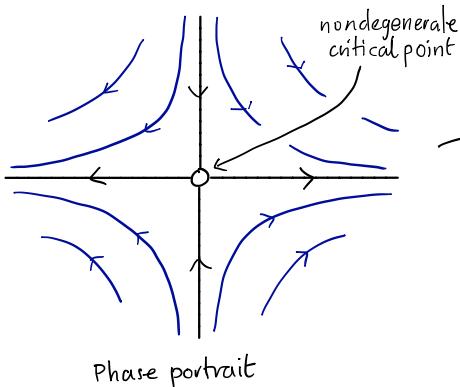
Theorem (Carqueville–Montoya '18) $\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}$ is a symmetric monoidal bicategory in which every object is fully dualisable, and therefore determines an extended 2D framed TFT

$$\text{Bord}_{2,1,0}^{\text{fr}} \longrightarrow \text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}.$$

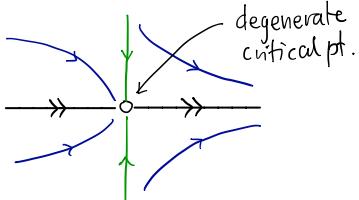
Moreover $\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ndg}} \subset \text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}$.

↑ essentially due to Buchweitz–Eisenbud–Herzog.

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$\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ndg}}$

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- $A_{(f, \underline{x}^*)}$

$\text{Crit}_{\mathbb{R}}$

Question What algebra to associate to (f, \underline{x}^*) ?

- reduce to $C(T_{\underline{x}^*} U, H_f|_{\underline{x}^*})$ in the nondeg. case ✓
- form a symmetric monoidal bicategory ✓

II. Constructing A_∞ -categories

Throughout k is a commutative \mathbb{Q} -algebra and $W \in R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ a potential

QUESTION What is the geometric content of the A_∞ -products on $\text{hmf}(R, W)$?
(not just the generator)

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(see also therisingsea.org for working notes).

Preliminaries

Defⁿ A small \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded A_∞ -category \mathcal{B} over k has a set $ob(\mathcal{B})$ of objects, and \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded k -modules $\mathcal{B}(a, b)$ for all $a, b \in ob(\mathcal{B})$ equipped with suspended forward compositions which are odd linear maps

$$r_{a_0, \dots, a_n} : \mathcal{B}(a_0, a_1)[1] \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{B}(a_{n-1}, a_n)[1] \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}(a_0, a_n)[1]$$

r_n

satisfying the A_∞ -constraints (without explicit signs)

$$\sum_{\substack{i \geq 0, j \geq 1 \\ i \leq i+j \leq n}} r_{a_0, \dots, a_i, a_{i+j}, \dots, a_n} \circ (id_{a_0, a_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes r_{a_i, \dots, a_{i+j}} \otimes \cdots \otimes id_{a_{n-1}, a_n}) = 0$$

Example Any \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded DG-category, $r_n = 0$ for $n \geq 3$.

Finite A_∞ -model

Let $\varphi: k \rightarrow R$ be a morphism of commutative rings, \mathcal{A} a DG-category over R

Restriction of scalars gives a functor

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_\infty\text{-cat}(R) & \mathcal{A} & \\ \downarrow \varphi_* & \downarrow & \\ A_\infty\text{-cat}(k) & \varphi_*(\mathcal{A}) & \xrightarrow{\quad F \quad} \xleftarrow{\quad G \quad} \mathcal{B} \\ & & \curvearrowleft \text{may have } r_i \neq 0 \end{array}$$

Def^r A finite A_∞ -model of \mathcal{A} over k is an A_∞ -category \mathcal{B} over k with all Hom-spaces

f.g. projective/ k , A_∞ -functors F, G and A_∞ -homotopies $F \circ G \stackrel{\infty}{\sim} 1, G \circ F \stackrel{\infty}{\sim} 1$.

Minimal A_∞ -model

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 \downarrow \mathfrak{f}_* & & \downarrow \\
 A_\infty\text{-cat}(k) & & \mathfrak{f}_*(\mathcal{A}) \xrightleftharpoons[\mathcal{G}]{} (\mathcal{H}^*(\mathcal{A}), \{r_n\}_{n \geq 2})
 \end{array}$$

Defⁿ A minimal A_∞ -model of \mathcal{A} over k is an A_∞ -structure $\{r_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ on

$\mathcal{H}^*(\mathcal{A})$ with $r_1 = 0$, r_2 induced by composition, and A_∞ -functors

F, G and A_∞ -homotopies $F \circ G \xrightarrow{\sim} 1$, $G \circ F \xrightarrow{\sim} 1$.

↑ c.f. Remark 1.13 Seidel's book on Fukaya categories.

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Idempotent finite A_∞ -models

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 \downarrow \mathfrak{f}_* & & \downarrow \\
 A_\infty\text{-cat}(k) & & \mathfrak{f}_*(A) \xrightleftharpoons[\mathcal{G}]{F} \mathcal{B} \supset E
 \end{array}$$

may have $r_i \neq 0$.

Defⁿ An idempotent finite A_∞ -model of A over k is an A_∞ -category \mathcal{B}

with all Hom-spaces f.g. projective/ k , A_∞ -functors F, G, E as above

and A_∞ -homotopies $F \circ G \stackrel{\sim}{\approx} E, G \circ F \stackrel{\sim}{\approx} 1$. ($E=1$ gives finite models)

Why finite models?

idempotent finite model

$(\beta, \mathbb{E}_1, \mathbb{E}_2, \dots, r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots)$

$\vdash_{A_\infty\text{-cat}(\mathbb{k})^\omega}$

$(A, 1, r_1, r_2)$

finite model

$(\beta, r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots)$

\vdash

(A, r_1, r_2)

minimal model

$(H^*(A), r_2, r_3, \dots)$

\vdash

(A, r_1, r_2)

- String field theory (A_∞) vs. topological field theory (Δ_{ed}).

$(H^*(A), r_2, r_3, \dots)$

$(H^*(A), r_2)$

- The information in higher products is important (e.g. for studying moduli).

The question is : which kind of finite model best packages this information?

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 (JHEP 2006).
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idempotent finite model

$(\beta, \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots)$

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$(A, 1, r_1, r_2)$

minimal model

$(H^*(A), r_2, r_3, \dots)$

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(A, r_1, r_2)

k a field

idempotent finite model

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$$(A, r_1, r_2)$$

Choose k -linear homotopy equivalences

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A(a, b) & \xrightleftharpoons[f]{g} & H^*A(a, b) \\ gf = 1 - [da, H] & & fg = 1 \end{array}$$

and transfer A_∞ -structure to $H^*(A)$

• useful for special objects (e.g. k^{stab})
(Seidel, Dyckerhoff, Efimov, Sheridan.)

• depends on k being a field.

idempotent finite model

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$$(A, 1, r_1, r_2)$$

- Exists for all of $A = mf(W)$
- Constructive when Gröbner methods are available (e.g. k a field or poly. ring).
- Downside: not minimal. However, we know TFT formulas (HRR, Kapustin-Li) can be derived directly from β, E_1 .
- For special objects can split E .
- Key point: first enlarge A !

minimal model

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An idempotent finite A_∞ -model of mf

(DA) $A = mf(R, W)$ $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ $t_i = \partial_{x_i} W, \dots, t_n = \partial_{x_n} W$

(DA) $A_\Theta = \bigwedge F_\Theta \otimes_k mf(R, W) \otimes_R \hat{R}$ $F_\Theta = k\Theta_1 \oplus \dots \oplus k\Theta_n$

(A_∞) $\beta = R/I \otimes_R mf(R, W)$

TBD

✓ A_∞ -homotopy equivalence / k
 $G \circ F \simeq 1$
 using perturbation

$A \longrightarrow A \otimes_R \hat{R} \hookrightarrow A_\Theta \xrightarrow{F} \beta$
 $\downarrow \text{homotopy equiv.} \quad \downarrow e \quad \downarrow c \quad \leftarrow FeG$
 $\quad \quad \quad e(\Theta_i) = 0 \quad \quad \quad \Xi$

Theorem (β, Ξ) is an idempotent finite A_∞ -model of $A \otimes_R \hat{R}$.

Connections and Residues

Let k be a commutative \mathbb{Q} -algebra, R a k -algebra, and t_1, \dots, t_n a quasi-regular sequence in R such that R/I is f.g. projective over k , $I = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$.

Lemma (Formal tubular neighbourhood) Any k -linear section β of $R \rightarrow R/I$ induces an isomorphism of $k[[t_1, \dots, t_n]]$ -modules

$$\beta^* : R/I \otimes_k k[[t_1, \dots, t_n]] \longrightarrow \hat{R}$$

defined by

$$(\beta^*)^{-1}(r) = \sum_{M \in \mathbb{N}^n} r_M \otimes t^M$$

where the $r_M \in R/I$ are unique such that in \hat{R} we have

$$r = \sum_{M \in \mathbb{N}^n} \beta(r_M) t^M.$$

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Upshot If k is a field, $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, δ^* may be computed by Gröbner methods.

In general,

$$\delta^* : R/I \otimes_k k[[t_1, \dots, t_n]] \xrightarrow{\cong} \hat{R} \quad (k[[t]]\text{-linear})$$

$$\sum_{M \in \mathbb{N}^n} \delta(r_M) t^M = r$$

There is a k -linear connection $\nabla : \hat{R} \longrightarrow \hat{R} \otimes_{k[[t]]} \Omega^1_{k[[t]]/k}$, and

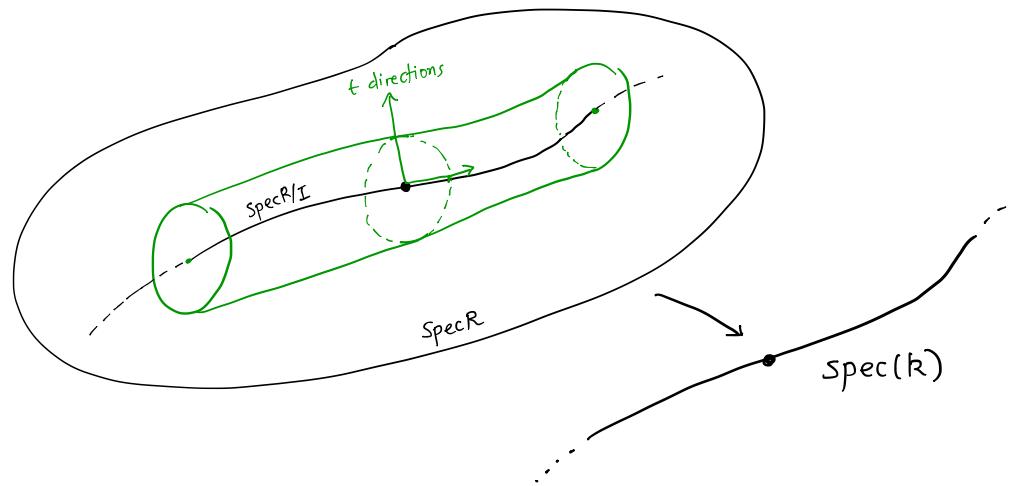
$$\text{Theorem (Lipman, M)} \quad \text{Res}_{R/k} \left[\frac{r dr_1 \cdots dr_n}{t_1, \dots, t_n} \right] = \text{tr}_{R/I} \left(r [\nabla, r_1] \cdots [\nabla, r_n] \right)$$

Connections and Residues

$$\zeta^* : R/I \otimes_k k[[t_1, \dots, t_n]] \xrightarrow{\cong} \hat{R}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= mf(R, W) \quad R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n] & d_A, m_2 \\
 A_\theta &= \Lambda F_\theta \otimes_k mf(R, W) \otimes_R \hat{R} & d_{A_\theta}, m_2 \\
 \beta &= R/I \otimes_R mf(R, W) & d_{A_\theta}, m_1, m_3, \dots \\
 A &\longrightarrow A \otimes_R \hat{R} \hookrightarrow A_\theta \xrightleftharpoons[\alpha]{F} \beta
 \end{aligned}$$

$$At_A := [\nabla, d_A]$$

(Atiyah class of A)

$$\delta_\infty = \sum_{m \geq 0} (-1)^m (\zeta At_A)^m \zeta : \beta \rightarrow A_\theta$$

$$\phi_\infty = \sum_{m \geq 0} (-1)^m (\zeta At_A)^m \zeta \nabla : A_\theta \rightarrow A_\theta$$

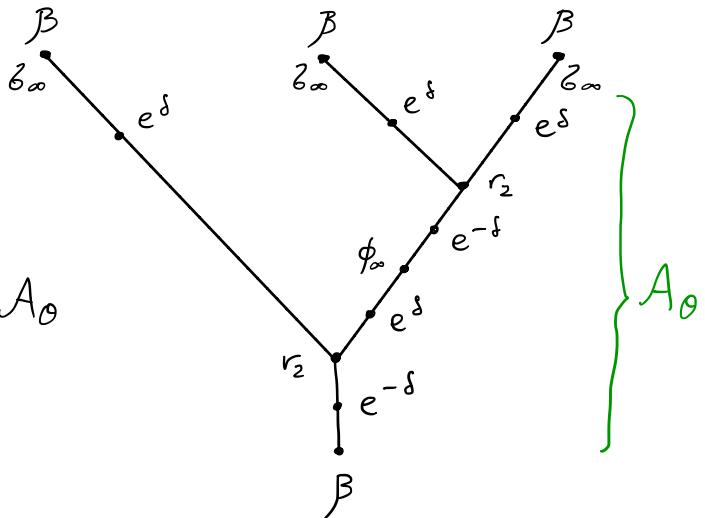
$$\delta = \sum_{m \geq 0} \lambda_i \theta_i^* : A_\theta \rightarrow A_\theta$$

At_A, δ rewritten using β^*

$$(A_\theta(x, y), d_A) \xrightleftharpoons{\text{h.o.}} (\beta(x, y), \overline{d_A})$$

transfer A_∞ -structure

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_\theta(x, y) &\cong \Lambda F_\theta \otimes_k \beta(x, y) \otimes_k k[[t_1, \dots, t_n]] \supset \beta(x, y) \\
 \nabla &= \sum_i \theta_i \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i} \quad \zeta(\omega \otimes \alpha \otimes f) = \frac{1}{|\omega| + |f|} \omega \otimes \alpha \otimes f.
 \end{aligned}$$



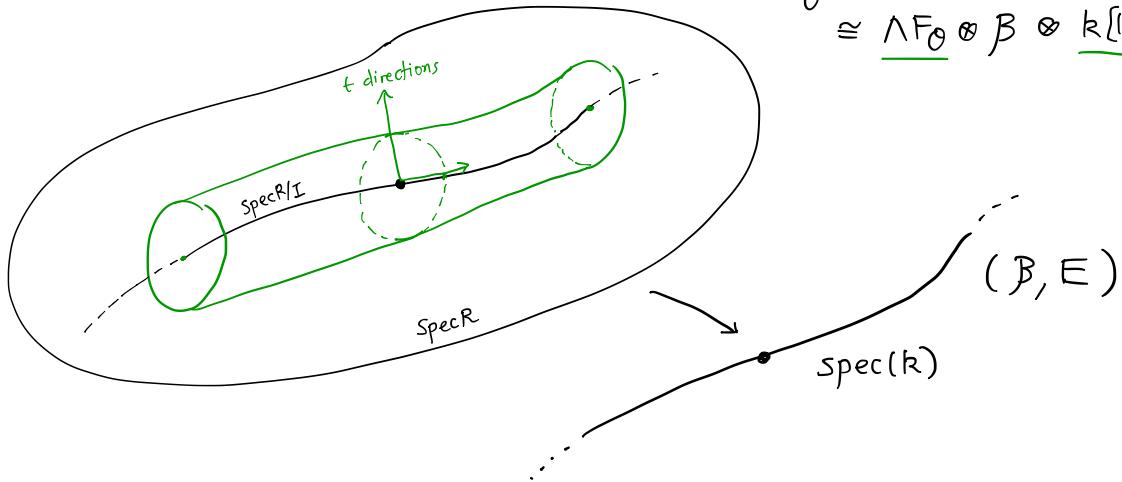
$$r_3 : \beta[1]^{\otimes 3} \longrightarrow \beta[1]$$

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$$\text{Res}_{R/k} \left[\frac{r dr_1 \cdots dr_n}{t_1, \dots, t_n} \right] = \text{tr}_{R/I} \left(r [\nabla, r_1] \cdots [\nabla, r_n] \right)$$

$$A_\theta = \Lambda F_\theta \otimes A \otimes_R \hat{R} \\ \cong \underline{\Lambda F_\theta} \otimes \underline{\beta} \otimes \underline{k[[t]]}$$



$$r_m^B = r_m^B ([\nabla, d_A], \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n, \zeta)$$

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Prove $\mathcal{T} \cong \mathcal{T}'$ by finding generators G, G' and A_∞ -iso $\text{End}(C) \cong \text{End}(C')$.

Some optional slides

Proof sketch

$$A = mf(R, W) \quad R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

$$A_\theta = \Lambda F_\theta \otimes_k mf(R, W) \otimes_R \hat{R}$$

$$\beta = R/I \otimes_R mf(R, W)$$

$$A \rightarrow A \otimes_R \hat{R} \hookrightarrow A_\theta \xrightleftharpoons[\alpha]{\beta}$$

Choose homotopies λ_i such that

$$[d_A, \lambda_i] = t_i.$$

There is a strict homotopy retraction of complexes over k

$$(A_\theta(X, Y), d_A) = (\Lambda F_\theta \otimes_k \text{Hom}_R(X, Y) \otimes_R \hat{R}, d_A)$$

$$e^\delta \uparrow \downarrow e^{-\delta} \quad \delta = \sum_i \gamma_i \theta_i$$

$$(\Lambda F_\theta \otimes_k \text{Hom}_R(X, Y) \otimes_R \hat{R}, d_A + \sum_i t_i \theta_i^*)$$

by homological perturbation
using connection ∇ $\xrightarrow{\quad}$ ζ_∞ $\uparrow \downarrow \pi$ \leftarrow canonical projection

$$(\beta(X, Y), \overline{d_A}) = (R/I \otimes_R \text{Hom}_R(X, Y), \overline{d_A})$$

Proof sketch

$$\begin{aligned} A &= mf(R, W) \quad R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \\ A_\theta &= \bigwedge F_\theta \otimes_k mf(R, W) \otimes_R \hat{R} \\ B &= R/I \otimes_R mf(R, W) \\ A &\longrightarrow A \otimes_R \hat{R} \hookrightarrow A_\theta \xleftarrow{\quad a \quad} B \end{aligned}$$

$$(A_\theta(x, y), \text{cl}_A)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \uparrow & \\ e^\delta \mathcal{Z}_\infty & \text{h.e.} & \mathbb{P} \\ & \downarrow & \\ (\mathcal{B}(x, y), \overline{\text{cl}}_A) & & \end{array}$$

\mathbb{P}^{-1} \mathbb{P} $\pi e^{-\delta}$

$$\mathbb{P} \circ \mathbb{P}^{-1} = 1, \quad \mathbb{P}^{-1} \circ \mathbb{P} = 1 - [\text{d}_{\mathcal{A}}, H]$$

The A_∞ -transfer (minimal model) theorem
 (Kadashvili, Merkulov, Kontsevich-Soibelman)
 and for our purposes Markl constructs A_∞ -products
 on \mathcal{B} and A_∞ -homotopy equivalences F, G

$$A_\theta \xrightleftharpoons[\quad a \quad]{\quad F \quad} \mathcal{B}$$

$$F_1 = \mathbb{P}, \quad G_1 = \mathbb{P}^{-1}, \quad G_0 F \stackrel{\infty}{\simeq} 1$$

$r_1^{\mathcal{B}}, r_2^{\mathcal{B}}$ induced from r_1^A, r_2^A .

□

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transfer A_∞ -structure

$$A_\theta(x, y) = \bigwedge F_\theta \otimes_k \text{Hom}_R(X, Y) \otimes_R \hat{R}$$

$$\cong \bigwedge F_\theta \otimes_k \text{Hom}_k(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) \otimes_k \hat{R}$$

(choose bases for X, Y
i.e. $X \cong \tilde{X} \otimes_k R$)

$$\cong \bigwedge F_\theta \otimes_k \text{Hom}_k(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) \otimes_k R/I \otimes_k k[[t_1, \dots, t_n]]$$

$$\cong \bigwedge F_\theta \otimes_k \beta(X, Y) \otimes_k k[[t_1, \dots, t_n]] \supset \beta(X, Y)$$

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Feynman diagrams

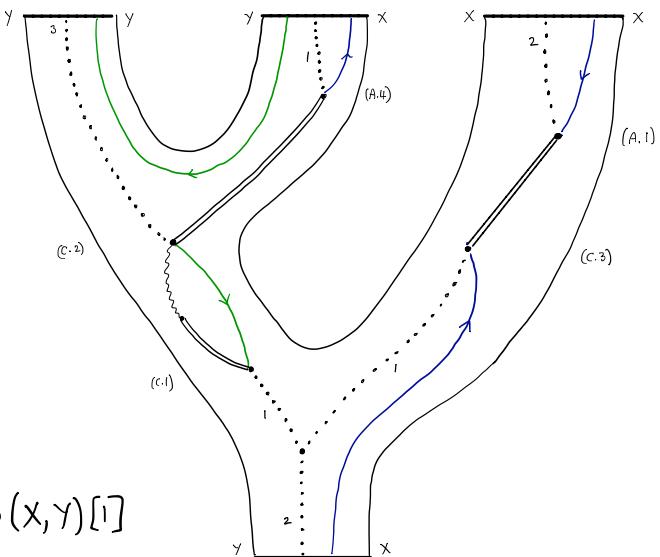
Suppose $X = \bigwedge F_3 \otimes_k R$, $Y = \bigwedge F_2 \otimes_k R$ are Koszul-type MFs.

$$\underbrace{\bigwedge (F_0 \oplus F_3^* \oplus F_2)}_{A_\infty(x, y), \text{ interior of trees}} \otimes_k R/I \otimes_k k[[t^\pm]] \supset \underbrace{\bigwedge (F_3^* \oplus F_2)}_{B(x, Y), \text{ exterior}} \otimes_k R/I$$

- Apart from ζ all operators involved in computing A_∞ -products can be written as polynomials in creation and annihilation operators.
- Feynman diagrams organise reduction of such trees to normal form.

Example One contribution for $W = \frac{1}{f} x^5$ to

$$r_3 : B(x, X)[1] \otimes B(x, Y)[1] \otimes B(Y, Y)[1] \rightarrow B(X, Y)[1]$$



$$r_3(x^2 \bar{z} \otimes x^2 \bar{z}^* \otimes x^3 \gamma^*)$$