

Pensieve header: A talk and a program about Archibald- and Γ -calculus and the Halacheva map between them. Continues pensieve://2021-02/, continued pensieve://Talks/MoscowByWeb-2104/.

Title. I Still don't Understand the Alexander Polynomial

Abstract. As an algebraic knot theorist, I still don't understand the Alexander polynomial. There are two conventions as for how to present tangle theory in algebra: one may name the strands of a tangle, or one may name their ends. The distinction might seem too minor to matter, yet it leads to a completely different view of the set of tangles as an algebraic structure. There are lovely formulas for the Alexander polynomial as viewed from either perspective, and they even agree where they meet. But the "strands" formulas know about strand doubling while the "ends" ones don't, and the "ends" formulas know about skein relations while the "strands" ones don't. There ought to be a common generalization, but I don't know what it is.

General

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In[*]:= Xpa,b := Xp[a, b]; Xma,b := Xm[a, b];
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In[*]:= SXForm[L_] := SXForm[
  Skeleton[L],
  Times @@ PD[L] /.
  X[i_, j_, k_, L_] => If[PositiveQ[X[i, j, k, L]], Xp[L, i], Xm[j, i]]
];
Z[L_] := Z[Identity, L];
Z[χ_, L_] := Module[{s, z},
  {s, z} = List @@ SXForm[L];
  z = χ[z];
  Do[z = z // dm[s[[c, 1]], s[[c, k]], s[[c, 1]], {c, Length[s]}, {k, 2, Length[s[[c]]]}];
  z
];
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In[*]:= dA[a_, rest_][α_] := α // dA[a] // dA[rest];
dA[L_List] := dA @@ L;
dA[All][α_] := α // dA[dL[α]];
dS[a_, rest_][α_] := α // dS[a] // dS[rest];
dS[L_List] := dS @@ L;
dS[All][α_] := α // dS[dL[α]];
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Γ -Calculus

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In[*]:=
 $\Gamma$ Simp = Factor; SetAttributes[ $\Gamma$ Collect, Listable];
 $\Gamma$ Collect[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ _,  $\sigma$ _,  $\lambda$ _]] :=  $\Gamma$ Collect[ $\Gamma$ Simp][ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ]];
 $\Gamma$ Collect[simp_] [ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ _,  $\sigma$ _,  $\lambda$ _]] :=  $\Gamma$ [simp[ $\omega$ ], simp[ $\sigma$ ],
  Collect[ $\lambda$ , h_, Collect[#, t_, simp] &]];
dL[ $\Gamma$ [_, _,  $\lambda$ _]] := Union[Cases[ $\lambda$ , (h | t)a  $\Rightarrow$  a, Infinity]];
 $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ 1_, _, _][ $\omega$ ] :=  $\omega$ 1;
 $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ _,  $\sigma$ _,  $\lambda$ _][ $\Sigma$ ] := ( $\partial_{h_{\sigma}}$   $\sigma$ ) & /@ dL[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ]];
 $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ _,  $\sigma$ _,  $\lambda$ _][A] := Module[{S = dL[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ]]}, Outer[ $\Gamma$ Simp[( $\partial_{t_{\mu_1} h_{\mu_2}} \lambda$ )] &, S, S]];
 $\Gamma$ Form[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ _,  $\sigma$ _,  $\lambda$ _]] := Module[{S, M},
  S = dL[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ]];
  M =  $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ][A] // Transpose;
  PrependTo[M, s_# & /@ S];
  M = Join[
    {Prepend[s_# & /@ S,  $\omega$ ]},
    Transpose[M],
    {Prepend[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ][ $\Sigma$ ], " $\Gamma$ "}
  ];
  MatrixForm[M]
];
 $\Gamma$ Form[else_] := else /.  $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ _,  $\sigma$ _,  $\lambda$ _]  $\Rightarrow$   $\Gamma$ Form[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ]];
Format[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ _,  $\sigma$ _,  $\lambda$ _], StandardForm] :=  $\Gamma$ Form[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\lambda$ ]];

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In[*]:=
 $\Gamma$  /:  $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ 1_,  $\sigma$ 1_,  $\mu$ 1_] ==  $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ 2_,  $\sigma$ 2_,  $\mu$ 2_] := Module[
  {S},
  S = dL[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ 1,  $\sigma$ 1,  $\mu$ 1]]  $\cup$  dL[ $\Gamma$ [ $\omega$ 2,  $\sigma$ 2,  $\mu$ 2]];
  ( $\omega$ 1 ==  $\omega$ 2) && (And @@ (( $\partial_{h_{\sigma}}$   $\sigma$ 1 ==  $\partial_{h_{\sigma}}$   $\sigma$ 2) & /@ S)) && (
    And @@ Flatten[Outer[
      ( $\partial_{t_{\mu_1} h_{\mu_2}} \mu$ 1 ==  $\partial_{t_{\mu_1} h_{\mu_2}} \mu$ 2) &,
      S, S
    ]]
  )
];

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In[*]:=
Γ /: Γ[ω1_, σ1_, λ1_] Γ[ω2_, σ2_, λ2_] := Γ[ω1 * ω2, σ1 + σ2, λ1 + λ2];
dmij→k[Γ[ω_, σ_, λ_]] := Module[{α, β, γ, δ, θ, ε, φ, ψ, Ξ, μ},
  
$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \theta \\ \gamma & \delta & \epsilon \\ \phi & \psi & \Xi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{t_i, h_i} \lambda & \partial_{t_i, h_j} \lambda & \partial_{t_i} \lambda \\ \partial_{t_j, h_i} \lambda & \partial_{t_j, h_j} \lambda & \partial_{t_j} \lambda \\ \partial_{h_i} \lambda & \partial_{h_j} \lambda & \lambda \end{pmatrix} /. (t | h)_{i|j} \rightarrow \theta;$$

  ΓCollect[Γ[(μ = 1 - β) ω,
    hk (∂hi σ) (∂hj σ) + (σ /. hi|j → θ),
    {tk, 1} . (γ + α δ / μ, ε + δ θ / μ, φ + α ψ / μ, Ξ + θ ψ / μ) . {hk, 1}
  ]] /. {Ti → Tk, Tj → Tk, bi → bk, bj → bk} // ΓCollect
];
dm[a_, b_, c_][Γ[ω_, σ_, λ_]] := dmab→c[Γ[ω, σ, λ]];
dη[a_][γΓ] := γ /. {(h | t)a → θ, Ta → 1};
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In[*]:=
tr[a_][Γ[ω_, σ_, λ_]] := Module[{α, θ, ψ, Ξ},
  
$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \theta \\ \psi & \Xi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{t_a, h_a} \lambda & \partial_{t_a} \lambda \\ \partial_{h_a} \lambda & \lambda \end{pmatrix} /. (t | h)_a \rightarrow \theta;$$

  Γ[ω (1 - α), σ /. ha → θ, Ξ + ψ * θ / (1 - α)] // ΓCollect];
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In[*]:=
FullStitch[γ1Γ, γ2Γ] := Module[{S1, S2, S, γ, τ},
  S = (S1 = dL[γ1]) ∪ (S2 = dL[γ2]);
  γ = γ1 (Times @@ (Γ /@ ε /@ Complement[S, S1]));
  γ * = (γ2 /. {ha → hτ[a], ta → tτ[a], Ta → Tτ[a]})
  (Times @@ (Γ /@ ε /@ τ /@ Complement[S, S2]));
  Do[
    γ = γ // dm[s, τ[s], s],
    {s, S}
  ];
  γ
];
Γ /: γ1Γ ** γ2Γ := Module[{S1, S2, S, γ1p, γ2p},
  S = (S1 = dL[γ1]) ∪ (S2 = dL[γ2]);
  γ1p = γ1 (Times @@ (Γ /@ ε /@ Complement[S, S1]));
  γ2p = γ2 (Times @@ (Γ /@ ε /@ Complement[S, S2]));
  Γ[
    γ1p[ω] * γ2p[ω],
    (γ1p[Σ] γ2p[Σ]) . (h# & /@ S),
    (t# & /@ S) . (γ2p[A] . γ1p[A]) . (h# & /@ S)
  ]
];
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In[ ]:=  $\Gamma$  /:  $\Gamma[\omega\_ , \sigma\_ , \lambda\_ ]^{-1} := \text{Module}[\{S = \text{dL}[\Gamma[\omega, \sigma, \lambda]]\},$ 
 $\Gamma$ [
 $\omega^{-1}$ ,  $\text{Collect}[\sigma, h\_ , (1 / \#) \&],$ 
 $(t\_\# \& /@ S).\text{Inverse}[\text{Outer}[\Gamma\text{Simp}[(\partial_{t_a} h_{a2} \lambda)] \&, S, S]].(h\_\# \& /@ S)$ 
]
];

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In[ ]:=  $\text{dA}[a\_][\Gamma[\omega\_ , \sigma\_ , \lambda\_]] := \text{Module}[$ 
 $\{\alpha, \theta, \phi, \Xi, \sigma a\},$ 
 $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \theta \\ \phi & \Xi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{t_a} h_a \lambda & \partial_{t_a} \lambda \\ \partial_{h_a} \lambda & \lambda \end{pmatrix} / . (h | t)_a \rightarrow \theta;$ 
 $\sigma a = \partial_{h_a} \sigma;$ 
 $\Gamma\text{Collect}[\Gamma$ 
 $\alpha \omega / \sigma a,$ 
 $((\sigma / . h_a \rightarrow \theta) + h_a / \sigma a),$ 
 $\{t_a, 1\} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \theta \\ -\phi & \alpha \Xi - \phi \theta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \{h_a, 1\} / \alpha$ 
 $]]$ 
 $];$ 
 $\text{dS}[a\_][\gamma\_I] := \Gamma\text{Collect}[\text{dA}[a][\gamma] / . \{T_a \rightarrow 1 / T_a, b_a \rightarrow -b_a\}];$ 

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In[ ]:=  $\text{Mirror}[\gamma\_I] := \text{Module}[\{\gamma 1\},$ 
 $\gamma 1 = \gamma // (\text{dS} @@ \text{dL}[\gamma]);$ 
 $\gamma 1[[3]] = \gamma 1[[3]] / . \{t_a \rightarrow h_a, h_a \rightarrow t_a\};$ 
 $\gamma 1];$ 

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In[ ]:=  $\text{t}\sigma[\text{rules\_Rule}][\gamma\_I] := \Gamma\text{Collect}[$ 
 $\gamma / . \{t_u \rightarrow t_u /. \{\text{rules}\}, T_u \rightarrow T_u /. \{\text{rules}\}, b_u \rightarrow b_u /. \{\text{rules}\}\}$ 
 $];$ 
 $\text{h}\sigma[\text{rules\_Rule}][\gamma\_I] := \Gamma\text{Collect}[\gamma / . h_x \rightarrow h_x /. \{\text{rules}\}];$ 

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In[ ]:=  $\text{SetAttributes}[\Gamma, \text{Listable}];$ 
 $\Gamma[p\_Times | p\_NonCommutativeMultiply] := \Gamma /@ p;$ 
 $\Gamma[\epsilon[a\_]] := \Gamma[1, h_a, h_a t_a];$ 
 $\Gamma[\text{Xp}[a\_ , b\_]] := \Gamma[1, h_a + h_b T_a, \{t_a, t_b\} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - T_a \\ \theta & T_a \end{pmatrix} \cdot \{h_a, h_b\}];$ 
 $\Gamma[\text{Xm}[a\_ , b\_]] := \Gamma[\text{Xp}[a, b]] / . T_a \rightarrow 1 / T_a;$ 

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In[*]:= MVA[Γ, L_Link] := Module[{Hs, ω, σ, μ, A},
  {ω, σ, μ} = List @@ Z[Γ, L];
  Hs = Rest[h_# & /@ (First /@ Skeleton[L])];
  A = Outer[Coefficient[μ, #1 * #2] &, Hs, Hs /. h_a_ -> t_a];
  Factor[
$$\frac{\omega \text{Det}[A - \text{IdentityMatrix}[\text{Length}@Hs]}]{1 - \text{T}_{\text{Skeleton}[L][[1,1]}}$$
]
]

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\mathcal{A} -Calculus

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In[*]:= WP[Wedge[u___], Wedge[v___]] := Signature[{u, v}] * Wedge @@ Sort[{u, v}];
WP[0, _] = WP[_, 0] = 0;
WP[A_, B_] :=
  Expand[Distribute[A ** B] /. (a_. * u_Wedge) ** (b_. * v_Wedge) -> a b WP[u, v]];

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In[*]:= WExp[A_] := Module[{s = Wedge[], t = Wedge[], k = 0},
  While[t != 0, s += (t = Expand[WP[t, A] / (++k)]]; s
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In[*]:= Cx_y[w_Wedge] := Module[{i, j},
  {i} = FirstPosition[w, x, {0}]; {j} = FirstPosition[w, y, {0}];
  Which[
    (i == 0) & (j == 0), w,
    (i == 0) v (j == 0), 0,
    True, (-1)i+j+If[i>j,1,0] Delete[w, {{i}, {j}}]
  ];
Cx_y[ε_] := ε /. w_Wedge -> Cx_y[w]

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In[*]:= A[Γ[ω_, _, λ_]] := Expand[ω WExp[Expand[λ] /. t_a h_b -> ε_a ^ x_b]]

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In[*]:= A[Xi_j_k_L[u_, o_]] := A[{i, L},
  {j, k}, <|ε_i -> u, x_j -> o, x_k -> u, ε_L -> o|>, WExp[-o ε_i ^ x_k - ε_L ^ x_j - ε_L ^ x_k + o ε_L ^ x_k]];
A[Xi_j_k_L[u_, o_]] := A[{i, j}, {k, L}, <|ε_i -> u, ε_j -> o, x_k -> u, x_L -> o|>,
  WExp[-o-1 ε_i ^ x_k - ε_j ^ x_k + o-1 ε_j ^ x_k - ε_j ^ x_L]];
A[Xi_j_k_L] := A[Xi_j_k_L[T_i, T_L]];
A[Xi_j_k_L] := A[Xi_j_k_L[T_i, T_j]];

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In[*]:= A /: A[is1_, os1_, cs1_, w1_] A[is2_, os2_, cs2_, w2_] :=
  A[is1 ∪ is2, os1 ∪ os2, Join[cs1, cs2], WP[w1, w2]]

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In[ ]:= Ch,t@A[is_, os_, cs_, w_] := A[
  DeleteCases[is, t], DeleteCases[os, h], KeyDrop[cs, {xh, ξt}], Cxh,ξt[w]
] /. If[cs[ξt][[1]] == T, cs[ξt] → cs[xh], cs[xh] → cs[ξt]];
c@A[is_, os_, cs_, w_] := Fold[c#2,#2[#1] &, A[is, os, cs, w], is ∩ os]
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In[ ]:= WP[Wedge[x], Wedge[y]]
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Out[ ]:= x ^ y
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In[ ]:= WP[Wedge[y], Wedge[x]]
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Out[ ]:= -(x ^ y)
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In[ ]:= A = Sum[ai (xi ^ yi), {i, 2}]
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Out[ ]:= a1 x1 ^ y1 + a2 x2 ^ y2
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In[ ]:= t = Wedge[]
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Out[ ]:= Wedge[]
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In[ ]:= WP[t, A]
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Out[ ]:= a1 x1 ^ y1 + a2 x2 ^ y2
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In[ ]:= WExp[Sum[ai (xi ^ yi), {i, 4}]]
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Out[ ]:= Wedge[] + a1 x1 ^ y1 + a2 x2 ^ y2 + a3 x3 ^ y3 + a4 x4 ^ y4 - a1 a2 x1 ^ x2 ^ y1 ^ y2 - a1 a3 x1 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y3 -
a1 a4 x1 ^ x4 ^ y1 ^ y4 - a2 a3 x2 ^ x3 ^ y2 ^ y3 - a2 a4 x2 ^ x4 ^ y2 ^ y4 - a3 a4 x3 ^ x4 ^ y3 ^ y4 -
a1 a2 a3 x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y2 ^ y3 - a1 a2 a4 x1 ^ x2 ^ x4 ^ y1 ^ y2 ^ y4 - a1 a3 a4 x1 ^ x3 ^ x4 ^ y1 ^ y3 ^ y4 -
a2 a3 a4 x2 ^ x3 ^ x4 ^ y2 ^ y3 ^ y4 + a1 a2 a3 a4 x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ x4 ^ y1 ^ y2 ^ y3 ^ y4
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In[ ]:= Cx6,x5[x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ x4]
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Out[ ]:= x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ x4
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In[ ]:= lhs = Cx4,y4[WExp[Sum[ai (xi ^ yi), {i, 4}]]]
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Out[ ]:= Wedge[] - a4 Wedge[] + a1 x1 ^ y1 - a1 a4 x1 ^ y1 + a2 x2 ^ y2 - a2 a4 x2 ^ y2 + a3 x3 ^ y3 -
a3 a4 x3 ^ y3 - a1 a2 x1 ^ x2 ^ y1 ^ y2 + a1 a2 a4 x1 ^ x2 ^ y1 ^ y2 - a1 a3 x1 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y3 +
a1 a3 a4 x1 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y3 - a2 a3 x2 ^ x3 ^ y2 ^ y3 + a2 a3 a4 x2 ^ x3 ^ y2 ^ y3 -
a1 a2 a3 x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y2 ^ y3 + a1 a2 a3 a4 x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y2 ^ y3
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In[ ]:= rhs = Expand[(1 - a4) WExp[Sum[ai (xi ^ yi), {i, 3}]]]
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Out[ ]:= Wedge[] - a4 Wedge[] + a1 x1 ^ y1 - a1 a4 x1 ^ y1 + a2 x2 ^ y2 - a2 a4 x2 ^ y2 + a3 x3 ^ y3 -
a3 a4 x3 ^ y3 - a1 a2 x1 ^ x2 ^ y1 ^ y2 + a1 a2 a4 x1 ^ x2 ^ y1 ^ y2 - a1 a3 x1 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y3 +
a1 a3 a4 x1 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y3 - a2 a3 x2 ^ x3 ^ y2 ^ y3 + a2 a3 a4 x2 ^ x3 ^ y2 ^ y3 -
a1 a2 a3 x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y2 ^ y3 + a1 a2 a3 a4 x1 ^ x2 ^ x3 ^ y1 ^ y2 ^ y3
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In[ ]:= lhs == rhs
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Out[ ]:= True
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$$\text{In[*]:= lhs} = \mathbf{c_{x_3, y_3}} \left[\mathbf{c_{x_4, y_4}} \left[\mathbf{WExp} \left[\mathbf{Sum} \left[\mathbf{a_i} \left(\mathbf{x_i} \wedge \mathbf{y_i} \right), \{i, 4\} \right] \right] \right] \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Out[*]:=} & \text{Wedge} [] - a_3 \text{Wedge} [] - a_4 \text{Wedge} [] + a_3 a_4 \text{Wedge} [] + a_1 x_1 \wedge y_1 - a_1 a_3 x_1 \wedge y_1 - \\ & a_1 a_4 x_1 \wedge y_1 + a_1 a_3 a_4 x_1 \wedge y_1 + a_2 x_2 \wedge y_2 - a_2 a_3 x_2 \wedge y_2 - a_2 a_4 x_2 \wedge y_2 + a_2 a_3 a_4 x_2 \wedge y_2 - \\ & a_1 a_2 x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge y_1 \wedge y_2 + a_1 a_2 a_3 x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge y_1 \wedge y_2 + a_1 a_2 a_4 x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge y_1 \wedge y_2 - a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge y_1 \wedge y_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{In[*]:=} \mathbf{n} = 4; \mathbf{\gamma_0} = \Gamma \left[\omega, \sum_{a=1}^n h_a \sigma_a, \sum_{a=1}^n \sum_{b=1}^n t_a h_b \alpha_{10 a+b} \right]$$

γ_0 // tr[2]

$$\text{Out[*]:=} \begin{pmatrix} \omega & s_1 & s_2 & s_3 & s_4 \\ s_1 & \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} & \alpha_{14} \\ s_2 & \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} & \alpha_{23} & \alpha_{24} \\ s_3 & \alpha_{31} & \alpha_{32} & \alpha_{33} & \alpha_{34} \\ s_4 & \alpha_{41} & \alpha_{42} & \alpha_{43} & \alpha_{44} \\ \Gamma & \sigma_1 & \sigma_2 & \sigma_3 & \sigma_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Out[*]:=} \begin{pmatrix} -\omega (-1 + \alpha_{22}) & s_1 & s_3 & s_4 \\ s_1 & \frac{-\alpha_{11} - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21} + \alpha_{11} \alpha_{22}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} & \frac{-\alpha_{13} + \alpha_{13} \alpha_{22} - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{23}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} & \frac{-\alpha_{14} + \alpha_{14} \alpha_{22} - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{24}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} \\ s_3 & \frac{-\alpha_{31} + \alpha_{22} \alpha_{31} - \alpha_{21} \alpha_{32}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} & \frac{-\alpha_{23} \alpha_{32} - \alpha_{33} + \alpha_{22} \alpha_{33}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} & \frac{-\alpha_{24} \alpha_{32} - \alpha_{34} + \alpha_{22} \alpha_{34}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} \\ s_4 & \frac{-\alpha_{41} + \alpha_{22} \alpha_{41} - \alpha_{21} \alpha_{42}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} & \frac{-\alpha_{23} \alpha_{42} - \alpha_{43} + \alpha_{22} \alpha_{43}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} & \frac{-\alpha_{24} \alpha_{42} - \alpha_{44} + \alpha_{22} \alpha_{44}}{-1 + \alpha_{22}} \\ \Gamma & \sigma_1 & \sigma_3 & \sigma_4 \end{pmatrix}$$


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In[ ]:= Import [
  "C:\\drorbn\\AcademicPensieve\\Talks\\Sandbjerg-0810/pA.txt",
  "Text"
]

Out[ ]:= (* WP: Wedge Product *)
WSort[expr_] := Expand[expr /. w_W := Signature[w]*Sort[w]];
WP[0, _] = WP[_ , 0] = 0;
WP[a_, b_] := WSort[Distribute[a ** b] /.
  (c1_. * w1_W) ** (c2_. * w2_W) :=> c1 c2 Join[w1, w2]];

(* IM: Interior Multiplication *)
IM[{}, expr_] := expr;
IM[i_, w_W] := If[FreeQ[w, i], 0,
  -(-1)^Position[w, i][[1,1]]*DeleteCases[w, i] ];
IM[{is___, i_}, w_W] := IM[{is}, IM[i, w]];
IM[is_List, expr_] := expr /. w_W :=> IM[is, w]

(* pA on Crossings *)
pA[Xp[i_,j_,k_,l_]] := AHD[(t[i]==t[k])(t[j]==t[l]), {i,l}, W[j,k],
  W[l,i] + (t[i]-1)W[l,j] - t[l]W[l,k] + W[i,j] + t[l]W[j,k] ];
pA[Xm[i_,j_,k_,l_]] := AHD[(t[i]==t[k])(t[j]==t[l]), {i,j}, W[k,l],
  t[j]W[i,j] - t[j]W[i,l] + W[j,k] + (t[i]-1)W[j,l] + W[k,l] ]

(* Variable Equivalences *)
ReductionRules[Times[]] = {};
ReductionRules[Equal[a_, b_]] := (# -> a)& /@ {b};
ReductionRules[eqs_Times] := Join @@ (ReductionRules /@ List@@eqs)

(* AHD: Alexander Half Densities *)
AHD[eqs_, is_, -os_, p_] := AHD[eqs, is, os, Expand[-p]];
AHD /: Reduce[AHD[eqs_, is_, os_, p_]] :=
  AHD[eqs, Sort[is], WSort[os], WSort[p /. ReductionRules[eqs]]];
AHD /: AHD[eqs1_,is1_,os1_,p1_] AHD[eqs2_,is2_,os2_,p2_] := Module[
  {glued = Intersection[Union[is1, is2], List@@Union[os1, os2]]},
  Reduce[AHD[
    eqs1*eqs2 /. eq1_Equal*eq2_Equal /;
    Intersection[List@@eq1, List@@eq2] != {} :=> Union[eq1, eq2],
    Complement[Union[is1, is2], glued],
    IM[glued, WP[os1, os2]],
    IM[glued, WP[p1, p2]]
  ]]]

(* pA on Circuit Diagrams *)
pA[cd_CircuitDiagram, eqs___] := pA[cd, {}, AHD[Times[eqs], {}, W[], W[]]];
pA[cd_CircuitDiagram, done_, ahd_AHD] := Module[
  {pos = First[Ordering[Length[Complement[List @@ #, done]] & /@ cd]]},
  pA[Delete[cd, pos], Union[done, List @@ cd[[pos]]], ahd*pA[cd[[pos]]]]
];
pA[CircuitDiagram[], _, ahd_AHD] := ahd

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$$\text{In[*]} := \text{Expand}[(Xp_{a,b} // \Gamma) \llbracket 3 \rrbracket]$$

$$\text{Out[*]} := h_a t_a + h_b t_a - h_b t_a T_a + h_b t_b T_a$$

$$\text{In[*]} := \text{Expand}[(Xp_{a,b} // \Gamma) \llbracket 3 \rrbracket] /. t_{a_} h_{b_} \Rightarrow -(\xi_a \wedge x_b) /. \{\xi_a \rightarrow \xi_1, \xi_b \rightarrow \xi_i, x_a \rightarrow x_j, x_b \rightarrow x_k, T_a \rightarrow 0\}$$

$$\text{Out[*]} := -0 \xi_i \wedge x_k - \xi_1 \wedge x_j - \xi_1 \wedge x_k + 0 \xi_1 \wedge x_k$$

$$\text{In[*]} := \text{Expand}[(Xm_{a,b} // \Gamma) \llbracket 3 \rrbracket] /. t_{a_} h_{b_} \Rightarrow -(\xi_a \wedge x_b) /. \{\xi_a \rightarrow \xi_j, \xi_b \rightarrow \xi_i, x_a \rightarrow x_1, x_b \rightarrow x_k, T_a \rightarrow 0\}$$

$$\text{Out[*]} := -\frac{\xi_i \wedge x_k}{0} - \xi_j \wedge x_k + \frac{\xi_j \wedge x_k}{0} - \xi_j \wedge x_1$$

The \mathcal{A} -invariants of the crossings.



$$\text{In[*]} := \mathcal{A}[X_{i,j,k,l}]$$

$$\text{Out[*]} := \mathcal{A}[\{i, l\}, \{j, k\}, \langle | \xi_i \rightarrow T_i, x_j \rightarrow T_1, x_k \rightarrow T_i, \xi_l \rightarrow T_l | \rangle, \text{Wedge}[] - x_j \wedge \xi_l - T_l x_k \wedge \xi_i - x_k \wedge \xi_l + T_l x_k \wedge \xi_l + T_l x_j \wedge x_k \wedge \xi_i \wedge \xi_l]$$

$$\text{In[*]} := \mathcal{A}[\bar{X}_{i,j,k,l}]$$

$$\text{Out[*]} := \mathcal{A}[\{i, j\}, \{k, l\}, \langle | \xi_i \rightarrow T_i, x_j \rightarrow T_j, x_k \rightarrow T_i, \xi_l \rightarrow T_j | \rangle, \text{Wedge}[] + \frac{x_k \wedge \xi_i}{T_j} + x_k \wedge \xi_j - \frac{x_k \wedge \xi_j}{T_j} + x_l \wedge \xi_j - \frac{x_k \wedge x_l \wedge \xi_i \wedge \xi_j}{T_j}]$$

$$\text{In[*]} := \mathcal{A}[X_{2,5,4,1}] \mathcal{A}[X_{3,7,6,5}] \mathcal{A}[X_{6,9,8,4}] // \text{Short}$$

$$\text{Out[*]} // \text{Short} := \mathcal{A}[\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, \{4, \langle\langle 4 \rangle\rangle, 9\}, \langle\langle 1 \rangle\rangle, \text{Wedge}[] - x_4 \wedge \xi_1 + \langle\langle 328 \rangle\rangle + T_1 T_4 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_4 \wedge \xi_5 \wedge \xi_6]$$

$$\text{In[*]} := \mathcal{A}[X_{2,5,4,1}] \mathcal{A}[X_{3,7,6,5}]$$

$$\text{Out[*]} := \mathcal{A}[\{1, 2, 3, 5\}, \{4, 5, 6, 7\}, \langle | \xi_2 \rightarrow T_2, x_5 \rightarrow T_1, x_4 \rightarrow T_2, \xi_1 \rightarrow T_1, \xi_3 \rightarrow T_3, x_7 \rightarrow T_5, x_6 \rightarrow T_3, \xi_5 \rightarrow T_5 | \rangle, \text{Wedge}[] - x_4 \wedge \xi_1 + T_1 x_4 \wedge \xi_1 - T_1 x_4 \wedge \xi_2 - x_5 \wedge \xi_1 - T_5 x_6 \wedge \xi_3 - x_6 \wedge \xi_5 + T_5 x_6 \wedge \xi_5 - x_7 \wedge \xi_5 + T_1 x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 - T_5 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 + T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_5 + T_1 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_5 - T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 - T_1 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 + T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 - x_4 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_5 + T_1 x_4 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_5 - T_1 x_4 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 - T_5 x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_5 + T_5 x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_5 - x_5 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_5 - T_5 x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5 - T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 - T_1 x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 + T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 - T_1 x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 + T_5 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5 - T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5 + T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5 + T_5 x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5 - T_1 T_5 x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5]$$

In[*]:= **c**_{4,1}[$\mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{2,5,4,1}] \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{3,7,6,5}]$]

Out[*]:= $\mathcal{A}[\{2, 3, 5\}, \{5, 6, 7\}, \langle \xi_2 \rightarrow \tau_2, x_5 \rightarrow \tau_2, \xi_3 \rightarrow \tau_3, x_7 \rightarrow \tau_5, x_6 \rightarrow \tau_3, \xi_5 \rightarrow \tau_5 \rangle, \\ 2 \text{Wedge}[] - \tau_2 \text{Wedge}[] + \tau_2 x_5 \wedge \xi_2 - 2 \tau_5 x_6 \wedge \xi_3 + \tau_2 \tau_5 x_6 \wedge \xi_3 - 2 x_6 \wedge \xi_5 + \tau_2 x_6 \wedge \xi_5 + 2 \tau_5 x_6 \wedge \xi_5 - \\ \tau_2 \tau_5 x_6 \wedge \xi_5 - 2 x_7 \wedge \xi_5 + \tau_2 x_7 \wedge \xi_5 + \tau_2 \tau_5 x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 + \tau_2 x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 - \tau_2 \tau_5 x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 + \\ \tau_2 x_5 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_5 - 2 \tau_5 x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5 + \tau_2 \tau_5 x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5 - \tau_2 \tau_5 x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_5]$

In[*]:= **c**[$\mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{2,5,4,1}] \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{3,7,6,5}]$]

Out[*]:= $\mathcal{A}[\{1, 2, 3\}, \{4, 6, 7\}, \langle \xi_2 \rightarrow \tau_2, x_4 \rightarrow \tau_2, \xi_1 \rightarrow \tau_1, \xi_3 \rightarrow \tau_3, x_7 \rightarrow \tau_1, x_6 \rightarrow \tau_3 \rangle, \\ \text{Wedge}[] - x_4 \wedge \xi_1 + \tau_1 x_4 \wedge \xi_1 - \tau_1 x_4 \wedge \xi_2 + x_6 \wedge \xi_1 - \tau_1 x_6 \wedge \xi_1 - \tau_1 x_6 \wedge \xi_3 + x_7 \wedge \xi_1 - \\ \tau_1 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1^2 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 + \tau_1^2 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - \\ \tau_1^2 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 - \tau_1 x_4 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - \tau_1^2 x_4 \wedge x_6 \wedge x_7 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3]$

In[*]:= **lhs** = **c**[$\mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{2,5,4,1}] \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{3,7,6,5}] \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{6,9,8,4}]$]

Out[*]:= $\mathcal{A}[\{1, 2, 3\}, \{7, 8, 9\}, \langle x_9 \rightarrow \tau_2, x_8 \rightarrow \tau_3, \xi_2 \rightarrow \tau_2, \xi_1 \rightarrow \tau_1, \xi_3 \rightarrow \tau_3, x_7 \rightarrow \tau_1 \rangle, \\ \text{Wedge}[] + x_7 \wedge \xi_1 + x_8 \wedge \xi_1 - \tau_1 x_8 \wedge \xi_1 + \tau_1 x_8 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge \xi_3 + x_9 \wedge \xi_1 - \\ \tau_1 x_9 \wedge \xi_1 + \tau_1 x_9 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1 \tau_2 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 \tau_2 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - \\ \tau_1 x_7 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - \\ \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 + \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 + \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3]$

In[*]:= **rhs** = **c**[$\mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{3,5,4,2}] \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{4,6,8,1}] \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{5,7,9,6}]$]

Out[*]:= $\mathcal{A}[\{1, 2, 3\}, \{7, 8, 9\}, \langle x_7 \rightarrow \tau_1, x_9 \rightarrow \tau_2, \xi_3 \rightarrow \tau_3, \xi_2 \rightarrow \tau_2, x_8 \rightarrow \tau_3, \xi_1 \rightarrow \tau_1 \rangle, \\ \text{Wedge}[] + x_7 \wedge \xi_1 + x_8 \wedge \xi_1 - \tau_1 x_8 \wedge \xi_1 + \tau_1 x_8 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge \xi_3 + x_9 \wedge \xi_1 - \\ \tau_1 x_9 \wedge \xi_1 + \tau_1 x_9 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1 \tau_2 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 \tau_2 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - \\ \tau_1 x_7 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 - \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 + \tau_1 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 - \\ \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 + \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 + \tau_1^2 \tau_2 x_7 \wedge x_8 \wedge x_9 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3]$

In[*]:= **lhs**[[4]] == **rhs**[[4]]

Out[*]:= True

In[*]:= **c**[$\mathcal{A}[\mathbf{X}_{2,4,3,1}] \mathcal{A}[\bar{\mathbf{X}}_{3,4,6,5}]$]

Out[*]:= $\mathcal{A}[\{1, 2\}, \{5, 6\}, \langle \xi_2 \rightarrow \tau_2, \xi_1 \rightarrow \tau_1, x_6 \rightarrow \tau_2, x_5 \rightarrow \tau_1 \rangle, \text{Wedge}[] + x_5 \wedge \xi_1 + x_6 \wedge \xi_2 - x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2]$