

Actions of \mathfrak{sl}_2 on algebras appearing in categorifications

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1 \mathfrak{sl}_2 -Categories

Theorem 1 (Main Theorem of EQ'22)

The following categories

- $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in Q_{A_{n-1}}^+} R(\alpha) - \text{mod}$ (Cat of $U_q^+(\mathfrak{g}_n)$)
- $\dot{\mathcal{U}}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ (Cat of $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$)
- $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^n, S_n)$ ($\cong \mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^n, S_n)$ in char 0) (Cat of $H_q(S_n)$)

have the structure of a monoidal \mathfrak{sl}_2 -cat.

Definition 1.1. Let \mathbb{k} be a commutative domain and \mathfrak{g} a lie algebra over \mathbb{k} . A \mathfrak{g} -algebra is a \mathbb{k} -algebra A with an action of \mathfrak{g} by derivations. We will write (A, \mathfrak{g}) for this structure.

Example 1. Let $A = R_n = \mathbb{k}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ where $\deg(x_i) = 2$ and let $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2 = \{d = e, h, -z = f\}$. Then

$$d = \sum_i x_i^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \quad h \cdot p(x) = \deg(p(x))p(x), \quad z = \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

gives A the structure of a \mathfrak{g} -algebra (note that the weight grading agrees with the usual grading by construction). Note this is equivalent to $d(x_i) = x_i^2$ and $z(x_i) = 1 \forall i$ and extending by Leibniz rule.

Definition 1.2. Let \mathbb{k} be a commutative domain and \mathfrak{g} a lie algebra over \mathbb{k} . A \mathfrak{g} -category \mathcal{C} is a category with an action of \mathfrak{g} on the morphism spaces such that composition of morphisms

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B) \otimes \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(B, C) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A, C)$$

is a morphism of \mathfrak{sl}_2 -modules. A monoidal \mathfrak{g} -category is a \mathfrak{g} -category which is also monoidal s.t.

$$x(f \otimes g) = x(f) \otimes g + f \otimes x(g)$$

(Note that composition of morphisms being a morphism of \mathfrak{sl}_2 -modules is the same as above but with \otimes replaced by \circ .)

Example 2. Let $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2 = \{d = e, h, -z = f\}$. Hom spaces of \mathcal{C} are monoidally generated by [draw trivalent and dots] as free R_2 -modules. Define

$$\begin{aligned}
 d \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= x_i \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array}, & d \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= x_{i+1} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array}, \\
 d \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= - \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array}, & d \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= - \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \end{array}, \\
 z \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= 0, & z \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= 0, & z \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= 0, & z \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

and $h(\varphi) = \text{deg}(\varphi)\varphi$. (Thus, the weight grading on the hom spaces agrees with the usual grading) For R_2 , \mathfrak{sl}_2 acts on R_2 as above. To check that this indeed gives an action of \mathfrak{sl}_2 , we need to check two things.

- (1) $d, h, -z$ preserves the generating relations of $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)$
- (2) $d, h, -z$ satisfies the relations of \mathfrak{sl}_2 when applied to the generating morphisms.

Let us check the barbell relation. [Do computation]. To check that $d, h, -z$ satisfies the relations of \mathfrak{sl}_2 , d, z move us into the correct weight space by construction so we only need to check $[d, -z] = h$. z kills any diagram without polynomials and so we only need to check

$$z(d(\phi)) = h(\phi) = \text{deg}(\phi)\phi$$

where ϕ is a generating morphism which we leave as an exercise.

Remark. The notion of a \mathfrak{g} -algebra and a \mathfrak{g} -category can be viewed as analogues of dg-algebras and dg-categories where the former uses the hopf algebra $U(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ while the latter uses the hopf algebra $\mathbb{k}[d]/(d^2)$.

(We want to now decompose hom spaces in the Soergel category as \mathfrak{sl}_2 representations, so we will now introduce the representations that show up.)

2 Representations of polynomial \mathfrak{sl}_2 -algebras

2.1 Lowest Weight Vermas and CoVermas

Definition 2.1. Again let \mathbb{k} be a commutative domain. Given $k \in \mathbb{k}$, define the \mathfrak{sl}_2 modules (write $v_{k,0}$ instead of 0 for verma and $w_{k,0}$ for the coverma)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta(k) : & \begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=1} & \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=2} & \dots & \xrightarrow{d=m-1} & \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=m} & \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=m+1} & \dots \\
 \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=k} & \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=k+1} & \dots & \xleftarrow{z=k+m-2} & \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=k+m-1} & \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=k+m} & \dots
 \end{array} \\
 \nabla(k) : & \begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=k} & \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=k+1} & \dots & \xrightarrow{d=k+m-2} & \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=k+m-1} & \bullet & \xrightarrow{d=k+m} & \dots \\
 \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=1} & \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=2} & \dots & \xleftarrow{z=m-1} & \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=m} & \bullet & \xleftarrow{z=m+1} & \dots
 \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

(draw in action of $h(v_{k,m}) = (k + 2m)v_{k,m}$) These are the lowest weight verma and coverma modules.

Proposition 2.2 (Properties). (i) $\Delta(k), \nabla(k)$ are indecomposable for all $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(ii) If $k > 0$, $\Delta(k), \nabla(k)$ are simple.

(iii) If $k \leq 0$ we have SES

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \nabla(-k + 2) \rightarrow \Delta(k) \rightarrow W(k) \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow W^\vee(k) \rightarrow \nabla(k) \rightarrow \Delta(-k + 2) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $W(k), W^\vee(k)$ are the Weyl and dual Weyl modules (Both equal L_k over \mathbb{Q}).

(iv) If \mathbb{k} contains \mathbb{Q} then $\Delta(k) \cong \nabla(k) \iff k > 0$. Otherwise $\nabla(k) \cong \Delta(k) \iff k = 1$.

Proof. (iii) Note that $-k + 2 = s_{-\rho} k$, draw out when $m = -k + 2$ for $\Delta(k)$. One might have expected that $\nabla(-k + 2)$ and $\Delta(-k + 2)$ swap places (this is what happens in category \mathcal{O} for instance) but integrally by part (iv), $\nabla(-k + 2) \neq \Delta(-k + 2)$ most of the time. ■

2.2 Rank-one modules over polynomial rings

Recall that $R_1 = \mathbb{k}[x]$ and $d = x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ and $z = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$

Proposition 2.3. $R_1 \cong \nabla(0)$ as \mathfrak{sl}_2 -mod

Proof. $w_{0,m} \mapsto x^m$ is a clear bijection. Note that the action of d, z on $\nabla(0)$ is given by

$$d(w_{0,m}) = mw_{k,m+1} \quad z(w_{0,m+1}) = (m + 1)w_{0,m}$$

which exactly matches with $d(x^m) = mx^{m+1}, z(x^{m+1}) = (m + 1)x^m$. ■

Definition 2.4. Let $a \in \mathbb{k}$ and let $R_1 \langle a \rangle =$ free graded rank 1 R_1 module with generator 1_a . Define a (R_1, \mathfrak{sl}_2) module structure on $R_1 \langle a \rangle$ via

$$d(1_a) = ax \cdot 1_a, \quad z(1_a) = 0, \quad h(1_a) = a1_a$$

and extending to all of $R_1 \langle a \rangle$ by the Leibniz rule.

Proposition 2.5. (i) Any (R_1, \mathfrak{sl}_2) -module structure on R_1 where h acts semisimply is isomorphic to $R_1 \langle a \rangle$ for a unique $a \in \mathbb{k}$.

(ii) We have an isomorphism $R_1 \langle a \rangle \cong \nabla(a)$ of \mathfrak{sl}_2 modules.

Proof. (i) Let M be free of rank 1 over R_1 with generator v . v is in lowest degree(weight). We know that $hv = cv$ for some $c \in \mathbb{k}$ by the semisimple condition. Now because the only way to increase the weight by 2 is to multiply by x , we must have that $d(v) = c'x \cdot v$ for some $c' \in \mathbb{k}$ and similarly $z(v) = 0$. Now applying $[d, -z] = h$ to v we have

$$cv = h(v) = (-dz + zd)(v) = z(c'x \cdot v) = c'v$$

and thus $c = c'$ and so the action of d, z, h matches with $R_1 \langle a \rangle$ above.

(ii) Left as an exercise to show that $x^m \cdot 1_a \mapsto w_{a,m}$ gives iso. ■

Definition 2.6. Let $p(\vec{x}) = \sum a_i x_i$ be a linear polynomial in R_n and let $R_n \langle p(\vec{x}) \rangle =$ free graded rank 1 R_n -module with generator $1_{p(\vec{x})}$. Define a (R_n, \mathfrak{sl}_2) module structure on $R_n \langle a \rangle$ via

$$d(1_{p(\vec{x})}) = p(\vec{x}) \cdot 1_{p(\vec{x})}, \quad z(1_{p(\vec{x})}) = 0, \quad h(1_{p(\vec{x})}) = (\sum a_i) 1_{p(\vec{x})}$$

and extending via the Leibniz rule.

Proposition 2.7. (i) Any (R_n, \mathfrak{sl}_2) -module structure on R_n where h acts semisimply is isomorphic to $R_n \langle p(\vec{x}) \rangle$ for some linear polynomial $p(\vec{x})$.

(ii) We have an isomorphism of \mathfrak{sl}_2 modules,

$$R_n \langle p(\vec{x}) \rangle \cong R_1 \langle a_1 \rangle \otimes \dots \otimes R_1 \langle a_n \rangle \cong \nabla(a_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \nabla(a_n)$$

Example 3. Check that $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)}(R_2, B_s) = \nabla(0) \otimes \nabla(1)$. Also note that $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^1, S_2)}(R_1, R_1) = R_1 \cong \nabla(0)$ while $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)}(R_2, R_2) = R_2 \cong \nabla(0) \otimes \nabla(0)$. As you can see, the \mathfrak{sl}_2 module structure depends on the rank of the realization used.

Remark. In general, we know that $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^n, S_n)}(A, B)$ and in fact $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^n, S_n)}^\bullet(A, B)$ are free as left/right R_n -modules so one might naively hope that as \mathfrak{sl}_2 -modules

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^n, S_n)}(A, B) \stackrel{?}{\cong} \bigoplus \bigotimes \nabla(a_{i_1}) \otimes \dots \otimes \nabla(a_{i_n})$$

If this were true, one can imagine that by using the \mathfrak{sl}_2 action we can prove a lot of structural properties in the Soergel category but unfortunately this won't be true.

3 Filtrations

- (A \mathfrak{sl}_2 -category is where \mathfrak{sl}_2 acts on morphism spaces)
- Main Theorem of EQ'22 = categories appearing in type A categorical representation theory are \mathfrak{sl}_2 -categories.
- Any (R_n, \mathfrak{sl}_2) -module structure on R_n is isomorphic to $R_n \langle p(\vec{x}) \rangle \cong \nabla(a_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \nabla(a_n)$ where $p(x) = \sum a_i x_i$ and $d(1_{p(\vec{x})}) = p(\vec{x}) \cdot 1_{p(\vec{x})}$.
- $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^n, S_n)}(A, B)$ is free as left/right R_n -module.

(Similarly, last semester Alvaro gave a sketch that ${}_j R(\nu)_i$ is free as an abelian group following [KL09]. The basis constructed had all dots at the bottom and so the proof also shows that ${}_j R(\nu)_i$ is free as an R_k -module, where $k = |\nu|$ is the number of strands. Again, the naive hope that morphism spaces is a direct sum of tensor product of covermas is wrong. HOWEVER, it turns out)

Definition 3.1. Let M be a (R_n, \mathfrak{sl}_2) -module which is free and f.g. as a graded R_n -module so that $M = \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$ where each M_i is free of rank 1 over R_n . $\bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i$ is called a downfree filtration on M if

(1) z preserves each M_i .

(2) \exists partial order \leq on I s.t. $d(M_i) \subset \bigoplus_{j \leq i} M_j$ for all $i \in I$

A homogeneous basis of M as an R_n -module is called downfree if it induces a downfree filtration on M .

Remark. Condition (2) above is similar to Sullivan algebras appearing in rational homotopy theory.

Given any poset (I, \leq) , we can always refine it to a (nonunique) total ordering (I, \leq^*) such that $i \leq j \implies i \leq^* j$.

Example 4. The Bruhat order on S_3 can be refined to $e < s < t < st < ts < sts$.

It follows that $\bigoplus_{j \leq^* i} M_j$ are (R_n, \mathfrak{sl}_2) submodules of M that gives a filtration on M with quotients that are free of rank 1 over R_n .

Definition 3.2. Let M be an (R_n, \mathfrak{sl}_2) -module with a downfree filtration. Each subquotient must be isomorphic to $R_n \langle p_i(\vec{x}) \rangle$ for a unique $p_i(\vec{x}) \in R_n$. The multiset of linear polynomials $\{p_i(\vec{x})\}_{i \in I}$ is called the downfree character of M with respect to the filtration.

Remark. The downfree filtration and character are analogues of the Δ -filtration and characters for Soergel Bimodules.

Theorem 2 (Real Main Theorem of EQ'22)

The morphism spaces with corresponding poset in the following categories

- $\bigoplus_{\alpha \in Q_{A_{n-1}}^+} R(\alpha) - \text{mod}$ (Bruhat Order)
- $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^n, S_n)$ (LexicoBruhat order on CoTerminal Bruhat Strolls)

are downfree with basis given by (crossings)permutations in $S_{|\alpha|}$ and the double leaves basis, respectively. An explicit computation of their downfree characters is also given.^a

^aFor double leaves, it's a decorated version of Deodhar's formula.

Example 5. We have that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)}(B_s, B_s) = R_2 \cdot \left| \bigoplus R_2 \cdot \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array} \right|$ with poset $\left| < \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array} \right|$. Compute $d \left(\left| \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array} \right| \right)$ and $d \left(\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array} \right)$. We therefore have the filtration of (R_2, \mathfrak{sl}_2) -modules

$$0 \subset R_2 \cdot \left| \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array} \right| \subset \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)}(B_s, B_s)$$

is downfree with downfree character $\{0, x_1 + x_2\}$ and

$$R_2 \cdot \left| \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array} \right| \cong \nabla(0) \otimes \nabla(0), \quad \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)}(B_s, B_s) / R_2 \cdot \left| \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array} \right| \cong \nabla(1) \otimes \nabla(1)$$

This filtration actually splits since $R_2 \cdot \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet \end{array}$ is also a \mathfrak{sl}_2 submodule.

Example 6. Let $n = 2$, then $KLR(A_1) = \bigoplus_{m \geq 0} R(m\alpha) \cong \bigoplus_{m \geq 0} NH_m$. We can think of this as a \mathbb{k} -linear monoidal category \mathcal{N} by setting \bullet as the generating object with generating morphisms a single crossing and dots and define $NH_m = \text{End}_{\mathcal{N}}(m, m)$. The Nilhecke relation

[Draw]

allows us to slide all dots to the top or to the bottom. As a result there is a left(=top) and right(=bottom) action of R_m where x_1 corresponds to the first strand on top, etc. It is a Theorem of [KL09] that NH_m is free as a left or right R_m -module with basis indexed by permutations in S_m . For example, $NH_2 = R_2 \cdot \text{id} \oplus R_2 \cdot X$ with poset $\text{id} < X$. Define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \bullet \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= 2 \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \bullet \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array}, & \mathbf{d} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= - \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \quad \diagdown \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \bullet \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \end{array} \\ \mathbf{z} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \bullet \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array}, & \mathbf{z} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now using the NilHecke relation, we have that

$$\mathbf{d} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right) = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad | \\ \text{---} \end{array} - 2 \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \quad \diagdown \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{---} \end{array}.$$

We therefore have the filtration of (R_2, \mathfrak{sl}_2) -modules

$$0 \subset R_2 \cdot \text{id} \subset NH_2$$

is downfree with downfree character $\{0, -2x_1\}$ and

$$R_2 \cdot \text{id} \cong \nabla(0) \otimes \nabla(0), \quad NH_2/R_2 \cdot \text{id} \cong \nabla(-2) \otimes \nabla(0)$$

and now the filtration doesn't split.

4 Core

Definition 4.1. Let \mathbb{k} be char 0 and Noetherian. Let M be a bounded(weights bounded below, wt spaces finite rank) weight module for \mathfrak{sl}_2 . Let

$$\text{Core}(M) = \{m \in M \mid d^N(m) = 0 \text{ for } N \gg 0\}$$

Then $\text{Core}(M)$ will be the maximal submodule of M that is f.g. over \mathbb{k} .

Example 7. $\text{Core}(\nabla(a_i)) = W^\vee(a_i)$ if $a_i \leq 0$, otherwise $\text{Core}(\nabla(a_i)) = 0$.

Proposition 4.2. Let $p(x) = \sum a_i x_i \in R_n$ and $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

(i) If $a_i > 0$ for some i , $\text{Core}(R_n \langle p(x) \rangle) = 0$.

(ii) If $a_i \leq 0 \forall i$ then $\text{Core}(R_n \langle p(x) \rangle) \cong W^\vee(a_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes W^\vee(a_n)$

Proof. (ii) Clearly $W^\vee(a_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes W^\vee(a_n) \subseteq \text{Core}(R_n \langle p(x) \rangle)$ by 2nd definition of the core. As $a_i \leq 0 \forall i$, $\nabla(a_i)/W^\vee(a_i) = \Delta(-a_i + 2)$. Therefore $R_n \langle p(x) \rangle / W^\vee(a_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes W^\vee(a_n)$ has a filtration with subquotients isomorphic to $M \otimes \Delta(a)$ for some a . Note $d^N(v) \neq 0 \forall v \in \Delta(a)$. If d has no nilpotents on the associated graded, then it has no nilpotents on the entire module, and so by the first definition of the core, $\text{Core}(R_n \langle p(x) \rangle / W^\vee(a_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes W^\vee(a_n)) = 0$ giving the reverse inclusion. ■

4.1 Decompositions

Let $\text{gJac}(A)$ be the graded Jacobson radical of an algebra A .

Example 8. $\text{gJac}(\mathbb{k}[x]) = (x)$. HOWEVER, notice that under the \mathfrak{sl}_2 -isomorphism $\mathbb{k}[x] \cong \nabla(0)$, we have that $\mathbb{k} \cdot 1 \cong W^\vee(0)$, aka the compliment of $\text{gJac}(\mathbb{k}[x])$ equals $\text{Core}(\nabla(0))$. Somehow, the \mathfrak{sl}_2 structure “knows” about the algebra structure.

Definition 4.3. Let \mathcal{C} be an additive (graded) category. Given $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$, define

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rad}(X, Y) &= \{f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y) \mid \forall g \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Y, X) \text{ id}_X - gf \text{ is invertible in } \text{End}_{\mathcal{C}}(X)\} \\ &= \{f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y) \mid \forall g \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(Y, X) \text{ id}_Y - fg \text{ is invertible in } \text{End}_{\mathcal{C}}(Y)\} \end{aligned}$$

Now define the (graded) Jacobson radical of \mathcal{C} to be

$$\mathcal{J}ac(\mathcal{C}) := \bigoplus_{X, Y \in \mathcal{C}} \text{rad}(X, Y)$$

Remark. $\text{rad}(X, X) = \text{gJac}(\text{End}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, X))$.

Conjecture 3

For the categories \mathcal{C} above, $\text{Core}(\mathcal{C}) = \bigoplus_{X, Y \in \mathcal{C}} \text{Core}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y))$ intersects $\mathcal{J}ac(\mathcal{C})$ trivially.

Corollary 4.4. Assuming *Conjecture 3*, if B is indecomposable, then any injection $i \in \text{Core}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(B, X))$ splits. Similarly with surjections in $\text{Core}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, B))$.

Proof. $\text{Core}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(B, X)) \cap \text{rad}(B, X) = 0$ means that $\exists g$ s.t. $1 - g \circ i$ is not invertible. B indecomposable means $\text{End}(B)$ is a local ring and so $1 - (1 - g \circ i) = g \circ i$ is invertible so i splits. ■

Lemma 4.5. Let M be a bounded \mathfrak{sl}_2 -representation. Then

$$\text{Core}(M) = \ker d + z \cdot \ker d + z^2 \cdot \ker d + \dots$$

This process terminates in a finite number of steps because M is bounded.

Corollary 4.6. Assuming *Conjecture 3*, if $i \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(B, X)$ is an inclusion (projection) map and d acts nilpotently on i , then $z^k(i), d^k(i)$ for $k \geq 2$ are also inclusion (projection) maps.

Example 9. In $\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^2, S_2)$

$$B_s \otimes_{R_2} B_s \cong B_s(-1) \oplus B_s(1)$$

(This underlies Reidemeister II invariance in triply graded link homology) $\text{Hom}(B_s, B_s B_s^2)$ has a left R_2 basis given by the double leaves

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon \epsilon \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon \circ \mu \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & id \\ & id \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \mu \\ id \end{pmatrix}$$

Let us try to find the core. Applying d to the first 3 maps will create polynomials forever. However, note that

$$\text{Compute } d(\text{Y}) \text{ and } d^2(\text{Y})$$

and in fact these are the inclusion maps for $B_s(1)$ and $B_s(-1)$, respectively. For the experts, note that $\Delta(1) = x_1 \otimes_s 1 - 1 \otimes_s x_2$ in the \mathfrak{gl}_2 realization of S_2 .

Warning. The core doesn't always contain all the inclusion/projection maps!

Example 10. In $\mathbb{S}Bim(\mathbb{C}^3, S_3)$

$$B_s \otimes_{R_3} B_t \otimes_{R_3} B_s \cong B_{sts} \oplus B_s$$

The projection map p_s for B_s will be pitchfork. The projection map p_{sts} for B_{sts} will be the Jones-Wenzl projector. We have that $d(p_s) = 0$, but $d(p_{sts}) \neq 0$ (One needs to define d on thick soergel calculus first). In fact $\text{Core}(\text{Hom}(B_s B_t B_s, B_{sts})) = 0!$ However,

- $d(p_{sts}) \in \text{Hom}(B_s, B_{sts}) \circ p_s$
- $\text{Core}(\text{Hom}(B_s B_t B_s, B_{sts}) / (\text{Hom}(B_s, B_{sts}) \circ p_s)) = \mathbb{k} \cdot p_{sts}$

In fact, the opposite is true, namely

- $d(i_{sts})(= d(JW) \circ JW?) = 0$
- $d(i_s) \in i_{sts} \circ \text{Hom}(B_s, B_{sts})$
- $\text{Core}(\text{Hom}(B_s, B_s B_t B_s) / (i_{sts} \circ \text{Hom}(B_s, B_{sts}))) = \mathbb{k} \cdot i_s$

In general one needs to take iterated cores in order to find enough projection/inclusion maps to split X into indecomposables.

Definition 4.7. Let \mathcal{C} be an \mathfrak{sl}_2 -category. The \mathfrak{sl}_2 -enriched category \mathcal{C}_{enrich} will be an \mathfrak{sl}_2 -category defined as follows.

- **Objects:** $B \boxtimes V$ where $B \in \mathcal{C}$ and $V \in \text{Rep}_{f.d.} \mathfrak{sl}_2$
- **Morphisms:**

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}_{enrich}}(B \boxtimes V, B' \boxtimes V') := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(B, B') \otimes \text{Hom}_{\mathfrak{sl}_2}(V, V')$$

Remark. There will be a monoidal action of $\text{Rep } \mathfrak{sl}_2$ on \mathcal{C}_{enrich} , where on objects one has

$$(B \boxtimes V) \otimes V' = B \boxtimes (V \otimes V')$$

As a consequence, it follows that the Grothendieck ring $K_{\Delta}(\mathcal{C}_{enrich})$ will be a module over $K_0(\text{Rep } \mathfrak{sl}_2) = \mathbb{k}[\mathbb{Z}]^{S_2} = \mathbb{k}[q + q^{-1}]$. Therefore, given a basis for $K_{\Delta}(\mathcal{C}_{enrich})$ over $K_0(\text{Rep } \mathfrak{sl}_2)$, structure constants will be unimodal polynomials.