## Handlebodies, Artin-Tits and HOMFLYPT

Or: All I know about Artin-Tits groups; and a filler for the remaining 59 minutes


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(1) Links and braids in handlebodies

- Braid diagrams
- Links in handlebodies
(2) Some "low-genus-coincidences"
- The ball
- The torus and the double torus
(3) Arbitrary genus
- What we should do
- What we can do

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Involves three players and inverses!

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For the proof it is crucial that $\mathscr{D}_{g}^{2}$ and the boundary points of the braids $\bullet$ are only defined up to isotopy, e.g.

$\Rightarrow$ one can always "conjugate cores to the left".
This is useful to define $\mathscr{B} \mathrm{r}(g, \infty)$.

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for $\mathfrak{b} \in \mathscr{B r}(g, n), s \in\left\langle\mathfrak{b}_{1}, \ldots, b_{n-1}\right\rangle$


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$>$ genearize classical braid groups, Coxeter groups polyhedron groups.


| A different idea for today: |
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| What can Artin-Tits groups tell you about flavor two? |

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| quotient are | In finite type: | Markov trace | on the | Hecke algebras |  |

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Corollary.
HOMFLYPT polynomial/homology for links in ????
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The semi-classical case. Consider the map

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But the special relation makes it a mere quotient.
So: In the remaining time I tell you what works.
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## extending scalars

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## Idea: Flank them!

should be thought as

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Thanks for your attention!

The Reidemeister braid relations:

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These hold for usual strands only since core strands do not cross each other, e.g.


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Connect $i, j$ by an $n$-edge for $H_{i}, H_{j}$ having angle $\cos (\pi / n)$.

Three gradings:

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Example. To compute Hochschild cohomology take the Koszul resolution

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\otimes_{i=1}^{N}\left(\mathrm{R}^{\mathrm{e}}=\mathrm{R} \otimes \mathrm{R}^{\mathrm{op}} \xrightarrow{\cdot\left(\mathrm{x}_{i} \otimes 1-1 \otimes \mathrm{x}_{i}\right)} \mathbf{a q}^{2} \mathrm{R}^{\mathrm{e}}\right)
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Tensor it with B , gives a complex with differentials $\mathrm{x}_{i} \otimes 1-1 \otimes \mathrm{x}_{i}$, of which we think as identifying the variables. This gives a chain complex having non-trivial chain groups in a-degree $0, \ldots, n$. Here the $i^{\text {th }}$ chain group consists of $\binom{n}{i}$ copies of B , with differentials given by the various ways of identifying $i$ variables. The $a^{\text {th }}$ cohomology $=a^{\text {th }}$ Hochschild cohomology.

Example. If B is already a t-graded complex, then one can take homology of it and gets "triple H".

