

Algebraic links

$$C = \{f=0\} \subset \mathbb{C}^2$$

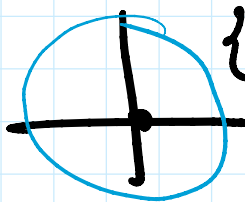
plane curve singularity (reduced for now)

$$L = C \cap S^3_\varepsilon$$

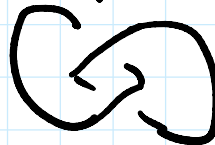
small sphere w. center at singularity

"algebraic link"

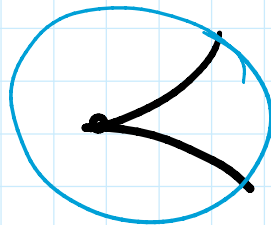
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$\{xy=0\} \longleftrightarrow$ Hopf link



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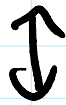


$\{x^2=y^3\} \longleftrightarrow$ trefoil $T(2,3)$



$\{x^m=y^n\} \longleftrightarrow T(m,n)$ torus link.

Fact • Irreducible components of C



connected components of the link L

- C reduced, irreducible $\Rightarrow L$ is a knot with 1 component

In this case, L is an iterated

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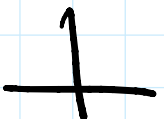
in this case, L is an n -component

cable of a torus knot, full classification related to Puiseux expansion of C

• For general links more complicated, see the book by Eisenbud-Neumann.

Conj (Oblomkov, Rasmussen, Shende)

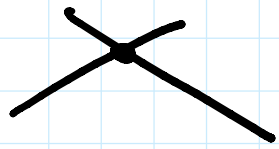
$$HH^0(L) = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} H^*(\text{Hilb}^k(C, 0))$$

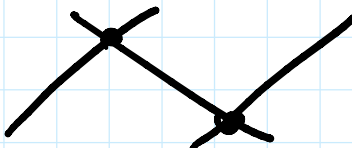
Ex $C = \{xy=0\}$ 

$\text{Hilb}^0(C, 0) = \text{pt} = \{0\}$

$\text{Hilb}^1(C, 0) = \text{pt} = \{m\}$

$\text{Hilb}^2(C, 0) = \text{Hilb}^2(\mathbb{C}^2, 0) = \mathbb{P}^1$

$\text{Hilb}^3(C, 0) =$  two lines glued at a pt

$\text{Hilb}^4(C, 0) =$ 

$\text{Hilb}^k(C, 0) =$ chain of $(k-1)$ lines.

$H^0 = \mathbb{C} \quad H^2 = \mathbb{C}^{k-1}$

$1 + q + q^2(1+t^2) + q^3(1+2t^2) + \dots$

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$$= \frac{1}{1-q} + \frac{q^2 t^2}{(1-q)^2}$$

↖ Poincare series

Compare: $R \oplus \frac{R}{(x_1 - x_2)}$

$R = \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2]$.

Wide open in general!!

What is known:

- $\sum q^k \chi(\text{Hilb}^k(\mathbb{C}, 0)) = \text{HOMFLY-PT}(q; a=0)$
(Maulik)

- For torus knots, can compute both sides

HHH computed
by recursions
from lecture 1
(Hogancamp-Mellit)

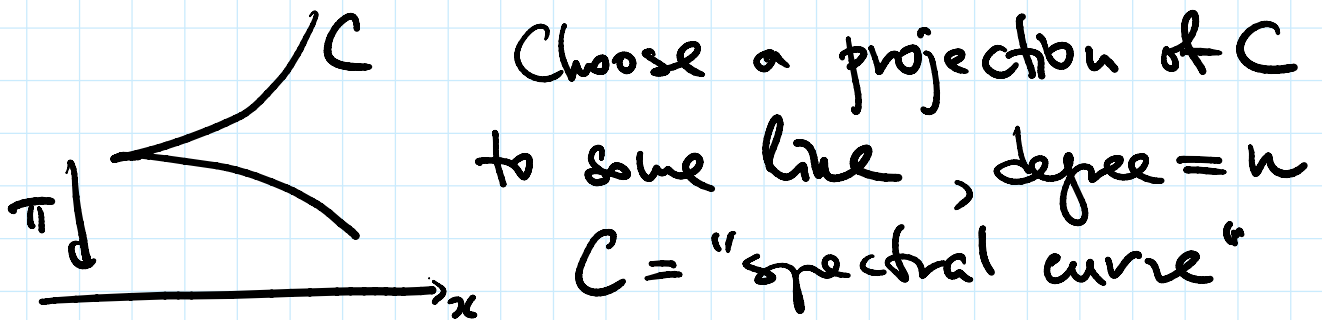
Hilb^k(C, 0) has a
paving by affine
cells, combinatorial
formula for dim
(ORS + more later)

- Recall that for an r-component link
HHH has an action of $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_r]$

• For r=1, constructed by Maulik-Yun,
Migliorini-Sheude, Rennemo

• For r>1, constructed by Kivinen

- For $r > 1$, constructed by Kivinen
- Roughly speaking, π_i adds a point on i -th component of C .
(need versal deformation to make it work)



$$\pi_* \mathcal{O}_C = \text{rank } n \text{ free } \mathbb{C}[[x]]\text{-module} \cong \mathbb{C}^n[[x]]$$

$Y =$ multiplication by y

Ex $C = \{x^2 = y^3\}$

$$\mathcal{O}_{C,0} = \mathbb{C}[[x]] \langle 1, y, y^2 \rangle \quad Y_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & x^2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{C,0} = \mathbb{C}[[y]] \langle 1, x \rangle \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y^3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

different descriptions of the same curve.

Equation of $C \iff$ characteristic polynomial
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$$Sp_Y = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{V} \subset \tilde{C}(x) \\ \text{lattice} \end{array} \mid \begin{array}{l} x\mathbb{V} \subset \mathbb{V} \\ Y\mathbb{V} \subset \mathbb{V} \end{array} \right\} \subset Gr \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{affine} \\ \text{Grassmannian} \end{array}$$

Facts: • If C is irreducible,

$Sp_Y \cong$ compactified Jacobian of C

$= \{ \text{rank 1 torsion free sheaves on } C \}$

$\cong \text{Hilb}^N(C, 0)$ for $N \gg 0$.

\Rightarrow does not depend on projection

• Thm (Migliorini-Schene, Maulik-Yun)

$$\bigoplus_{\mathbb{Z}} H^*(\text{Hilb}^k(C, 0)) = \text{gr}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\bullet} H^*(Sp_Y) \otimes \mathbb{C}[x]$$

"perverse filtration"

+ there's an action of sl_2 on RHS satisfying "curious hard leftsetz" with respect to perverse filtration

(compare with "curious hard leftsetz" for weight filtration from Lecture 3)

Ex $\{x^2 = y^2\} \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x^2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$Sp_Y = \checkmark \quad \times \quad \times \quad \times \quad \dots$

For $\{x^m = y^n\}$, $\gcd(m, n) = 1$

$H^*(\mathbb{S}p_Y)$ is generated by tautological classes + explicit relations.

Thm (Kivinen) $\{x^m = y^n\}$

$$Y \sim \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 x^k & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & & \xi_n x^k \end{pmatrix} \quad \xi_i := \text{root of unity}$$

- \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} acts on $\mathbb{S}p_Y$ by translations
- $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ stabilizes Y and acts on $\mathbb{S}p_Y$

$\Rightarrow H^*(\mathbb{S}p_Y)$ matches $H\mathbb{H}^0(T(n, kn))$
 $\mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \leftrightarrow x_1 \dots x_n$

$H_{(\mathbb{C}^*)^n}^*(\mathbb{S}p_Y)$ matches $HY^0(T(n, kn))$

$y_1 \dots y_n = \text{equivariant parameters.}$

deformed homology from last lecture.

Thm (Garner-Kivinen)

(a) For any curve C (not necessarily reduced!)

$\bigsqcup_{\mathbb{F}} H_{\mathbb{F}}^k(C, 0) = \text{generalized affine}$

Springer fiber for $G = GL_n, N = \mathfrak{gl}_n \oplus \mathbb{C}^n$

Springer paper for $U-\mathfrak{gl}_n$; $U-\mathfrak{gl}_n$

(b) There is an action of BFN Coulomb branch algebra for (G, N) in $\bigoplus_{\mathbb{K}} H^*(\text{Hilb}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathbb{C}, 0))$

(c) If C admits a \mathbb{C}^* action (say, $\{x^m = y^n\}$) then there is an action of quantized BFN algebra for (G, N) in $\bigoplus_{\mathbb{K}} H_{\mathbb{C}^*}^*(\text{Hilb}^{\mathbb{K}}(\mathbb{C}, 0))$

Rmk (Kodera-Nakajima)

quantized BFN algebra for $(G, N) = (GL_n, \mathfrak{gl}_n \oplus \mathbb{C}^n) =$ rational Cherednik algebra.