

Kontsevich:  $H_x(h_\infty) \cong H_x(\text{FC}_*g)$

Recap: Defined a Lie algebra  $h_k$

(generated by spiders).

Needed: cyclic operad  $\Theta$

symplectic vector space  $V_k \cong \mathbb{R}^{2k}$

For  $\Theta = \text{Comm}$  (cyclic version)

$h_k =$  Lie algebra of polynomial functions on  $V_k$  (no linear or constant terms.)

with Poisson bracket:  $\sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial y_j} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_j}$

P. bracket with a fixed  $f$

is a derivation  $D_f(x,y) = D_{f \circ x} y + D_x f \circ y$

We observed: pictorial def'n of Poisson algebra makes sense,

with any  $\Theta$  decorating the spiders

and saw spiders can be viewed as derivations

We also observed  $h_k^{(2)}$  gen by 2-legged spiders, get a copy of  $\text{sp}^{2k}$ .

2-legged spiders act on  $k$ -legged spiders, preserving #legs.

Sketched proofs that

$$(1) H_x(\bigwedge^* h_k)_{\text{CE}} \cong H_x((\bigwedge^* h_k)_{\text{CE}})$$

$$(2) (\bigwedge^* h_k)^{\text{sp}^{2k}} \cong \text{FC}_*g$$

2nd part:  $H_*(h_\infty)$  is a Hopf algebra  
and the primitive elts (ie non-products)

$$PH_*(h_\infty) = PH_*(h_{p_\infty}) \oplus H_*(C_*g)$$

for  $\mathcal{O} = \text{Lie}$   $H_d(C_*g) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 2} H^{2n-1}(\text{Out}(F_n))$

$\mathcal{O} = \text{Assoc}$   $= \bigoplus_{s \geq 1} H^*(\text{Mod}(S_{g,s}))$

Why is this good? Those  $H^*$  are hard to compute

this gives new tools.

eg  $\mathcal{O} = \text{Lie}$   $h_k$  was studied by Morita

had  $T: h_k \rightarrow \mathcal{A} = \text{abelian Lie algebra}$   
( $\tau_i = 0$ )

$$H^*h_k \leftarrow H^*\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A} \leftarrow \text{understand}$$

image is "Morita cocycles"

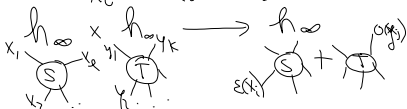
eg K. used this formalism to define cycles and cocycles in  $H^*(\text{Mod}(S_{g,r}))$   
pairing non-trivially. ( $\leftrightarrow$  stable  $H^*(\text{Mod}(S_{g,r}))$ )

In general, this provides connections with other areas of math.

How is  $H_*(h_\infty)$  a Hopf algebra:  
 product  $H_*(h_\infty) \otimes H_*(h_\infty) \rightarrow H_*(h_\infty)$ ?

Recall  $B_k = \{p_1 \dots p_k, q_1 \dots q_k\}$  - basis for  $V_k$ .

Define  $\varepsilon: B_\infty \rightarrow B_\infty$   $0: B_\infty \rightarrow B_\infty$   
 $x_i \mapsto x_{2i}$   $\gamma_i \mapsto x_{2i+1}$ .



on homology  
 $H_*(h_\infty) \otimes H_*(h_\infty) \rightarrow H_*(h_\infty)$

on chain level:

$$\bigoplus_{k+l=n} \bigwedge^k h_\infty \otimes \bigwedge^l h_\infty \rightarrow \bigwedge^n h_\infty$$

$$\frac{S_1 \dots S_k \quad T_1 \dots T_l}{\psi} \mapsto \varepsilon(S_1) \dots \varepsilon(T_l) \downarrow \psi_n \quad \Sigma G^{\text{ev}} \neq G^{\text{odd}}$$

Upshot: primitive elements on RHS  
 in  $fg$  are connected graphs.

$$PH_*(h_\infty) = H_*(\text{conn } C_{\infty} g)$$

↑  
may have vertices  
of valence 2.

$$h_\infty = h_\infty^{(s)} \oplus h_\infty^+$$

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$$= PH_*(sp_\infty)$$

Exercise: Compute  $PH_*(h_\infty^{(1)})$ .

Hint:  $H_*(h_\infty^{(2)}) = H_*(\text{conn } C_*g^{(2)})$

(What graphs can you make with 2-legged spiders? What are they  $\mathbb{O}$  in the (odd) graph complex?)

$$PH_*(h_\infty) = H_*(\text{conn } C_*g) \oplus \underline{\underline{PH_*(h_\infty^{(1)})}}$$



Recall  $fC_*g = \bigoplus_{\chi+r \leq 0} fC_*g^{(r)}$

$$\text{conn } C_*g = \underbrace{\text{conn } C_*g}_{\chi=0(\text{not})} \oplus \underbrace{\bigoplus_{r \geq 1} \text{conn } C_*g^{(r)}}_{\substack{G \text{ connected,} \\ \text{no univalent vertices,} \\ \chi+r < 0 \\ \text{rank } H_1G = r \geq 2}}$$

Claim:  $r \geq 2 \Rightarrow H_*(\text{conn } C_*g) \cong H_*(C_*g)$

↑  
no univalent vertices

Pf is induction on # of bivalent vertices.

Exercise (optional): graph complex of 1-lines has homology only in  $\mathbb{O}$ .



# Graph homology and spaces of graphs.

$\mathcal{G}$  = Lie, Comm, Assoc connected,  $|u| \geq 3$ .

## Moduli spaces of graphs:

$Mg_r =$  space of such graphs w/  $X=1-r$   
metric:

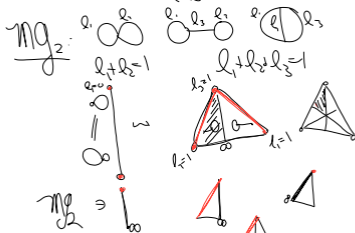
$l_e \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}$  for every  $e \in E(G)$ .

edge isometric to  $(0, l_e) \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$G$  gets path metric:

Move around by varying the  $l_e$

Normalize so  $\sum_{e \in G} l_e = 1$



Better way to think of  $Mg_2$   
as a quotient space of Outerspace  
by  $Out(F_n)$ :

Add markings to metric graphs

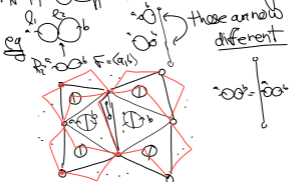
$$R_n = \text{figure-eight graph}$$

$$\pi_1 R_n \cong F_n$$

$g: R_n \xrightarrow{\cong} G$  hequiv.

$g_* F_n \xrightarrow{\cong} \pi_1 G$  identifies  $\pi_1 G$  with  $F_n$ .

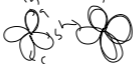
Point in  $\mathcal{OS}_n$  is a marked metric graph.



$\text{Out}(F_n)$  acts on  $\mathcal{OS}_n$ :

$$\psi: F_n \rightarrow F_n \quad a \mapsto abc$$

Model  $\psi$  by  $f: R_n \rightarrow R_n$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} (G, g) \cdot \psi & R_n & \xrightarrow{g} & G \\ = (G, g \circ f) & f \uparrow & & \nearrow g \circ f \\ & R_n & & \end{array}$$

$\mathcal{OS}_n$  is not a simplicial complex,  
but is a union of open simplices  
 $\sigma(G, g) : \text{plt lengths } l_e \text{ w } \sum l_e = 1$   
on  $G$ .

$OS_n^*$  = simplicial completion  
= union of closed simplices  
 $\sigma(\mathbb{S}_{1,g})$

Action of  $Out(F_n)$  extends to  $OS_n^*$

$Mg_n = OS_n / Out(F_n)$

$Mg_n^* = OS_n^* / Out(F_n)$   
= "moduli space of tropical  
curves" of genus  $n$ .

Thm (Culler-V 1986):

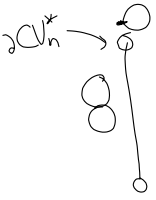
$OS_n$  is contractible

$Out(F_n)$  acts properly  
 $stab(\mathbb{S}_{1,g}) \cong Isom(G)$ .

Hurewicz:  $H_*(Mg_n) \cong H_*(Out(F_n))$

Hatcher:  $CV_n^*$  still contractible (trivial  $\mathbb{Q}$  coeffs).

$$CV_n^* \supseteq \partial CV_n^* = CV_n^* \setminus CV_n$$



Subcomplex:  
↔ marked graphs with same cycle collapsed.

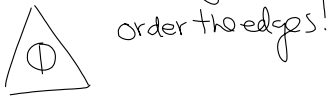
$$H_k(CV_n^*, \partial CV_n^*)$$

$$C_k(CV_n^*, \partial CV_n^*) = C_k(CV_n^*) / C_k(CV_n^*)$$

one generator for every marked graph with  $\pi_1 = F_n$

these have  $\pi_1 = F_2$  &  $F_3$

How is a simplex of  $CV_n^*$  oriented?



rel chain cplx has one generator for every graph  $G$  connected,  $|V| \geq 3$ , oriented by ordering edges.

marked.

If  $G$  has a loop, collapsing  $e$  changes  $\pi_1$ , lands in  $C_k(\partial CV_n^*)$ .

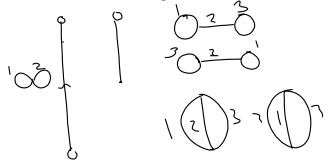
so only collapse non-loop edges.

$$C_k(CV_n^* / \partial F_n, \partial CV_n^* / \partial F_n) \text{ are}$$

$$C_k(MG_n^*, \partial MG_n^*)$$

almost = 0

If  $G$  has an odd symmetry, then quotient  $\mathbb{Z} \sigma(G) / \text{Isom}(G)$



doesn't contribute to chain complex

Exercise

Find a graph with no odd symmetries describe  $\mathbb{Z} \sigma(G) / \text{Isom}(G)$ .

$$H_k(MG_n^*, \partial MG_n^*) \cong H_k(C_n) \text{ if } n \text{ is even}$$