# Annular Khovanov Lee Homology

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## 1 Introduction

We are going to see a theorem on an invariant of Annular Khovanov Homology.

We will try to understand the Khovanov-Lee complex of an oriented link, L, in a thickened annulus,  $A \times I$ , has the structure of a  $(Z \oplus Z)$ -filtered complex whose filtered chain homotopy type is an invariant of the isotopy class of  $L \subset (A \times I)$ .

We will prove the theorem next time.

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## 2 Annular Link

Let A be an oriented annulus, and let I = [0, 1].

We will use the identification, that  $I \times I \cong D^2$ .

Consider a link  $L \subset S^3$ , and assume that L does not intersect the standard circle  $(z - axis) \cup \{\infty\}$ .

Now, consider the complement of this imbedded standard unknot in  $S^3$ . which is  $S^3 - N(S^1)$  which is a solid torus T.

Now we know

$$T = S^1 \times D^2 \cong S^1 \times I \times I \cong A \times I.$$

We can think of this solid torus as a thickened annulus, as  $L \subset A \times I$ .

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Now we consider the projection of L (any generic representation in the isotopy class of L) on  $A \times \{\frac{1}{2}\}$  and denote the projection by P(L).

P(L) is the annular link diagram for L, in A. We identify A with  $S^2 \setminus \{X, O\}$  where X and O are two punctures in  $S^2$  each representing the two boundary components of the annular A.

Hence we can have the diagram  $P(L) \subset S^2 \setminus \{X, O\}$ .

Note that if we forget about  $\{X\}$ , then P(L) could be thought of as a diagram in  $S^2 \setminus \{O\} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$ .

### **3** Annular Link Cobordism

Oriented Link Cobordism between oriented links (L, o)and  $(L', o') \subset A \times I \subset S^3$ ; is a smooth, compact, properly embedded surface  $F \subset S^3 \times I$  with

$$\partial F = \left( (L, o) \subset -S^3 \times \{0\} \right) \sqcup \left( (L', o') \subset S^3 \times \{1\} \right)$$

considered upto isotopy rel. boundary.

We call F, an annular cobordism if  $F \cap (U \times I) = \phi$  where U denotes the standard embedded circle  $(z - axis \cup \{\infty\})$ .

An annular link cobordism F is said to be generic if the projection map

$$p:S^3-U\longrightarrow I$$

restricted to F is Morse with distinct critical values.

An annular movie of a link is a smooth, 1-parameter family of curves,  $D_t \subset S^2 \setminus \{O, X\}$ ;  $t \in [0, 1]$  called annular stills, satisfying

- For all but finitely many  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $D_t$  is a link diagram.[immersed curve equipped with over/under crossing]
- At each of the finitely many critical levels  $t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_k$ , the diagrams undergoes a single elementary string interaction, namely: Birth, Deaths, Saddles and Reidemeister moves.

Since annular cobordisms are assumed to be compact hence we can consider all annular cobordisms to be imbedded in  $(A \times I) \times I \subset (S^3 \setminus N(U)) \times I$ .

Hence an annular movie may be viewed on  $A \subset S^2 \setminus \{O, X\}$ .

We end with a Lemma:

### Lemma

Any annular link cobordism can be represented by an annular movie.

We will say that planar isotopy of P(L) is annular if locally the move is supported in a disk away from  $\{O, X\}$ .

If locally it cannot be made disjoint then we call it nonannular.

By transversality we can say saddle (odd-index critical points) can be assumed to be annular.

There might exist planar isotopy which is non-annular.

Similarly for Reidemeister moves, it is possible that it might be non-annular move.

Fix an arc  $\gamma \in S^2$  connecting X and O such that the arc misses every crossing of P(L).

We call a circle C trivial if the algebraic intersection number of C with  $\gamma$  is even. On the other hand, it's non-trivial if it's odd.

Alternatively we can say, that a circle C is trivial if it bounds a disk in  $S^2 \setminus \{O, X\}$ .

A circle C is non-trivial if it fails to bounds a disk in  $S^2 \setminus \{O, X\}.$ 

Even-index critical Points

A Birth(death) move is annular if there is an addition(deletion) of a trivial circle. If it is the addition(deletion) of a non-trivial circle then it is non-annular.

## 4 Annular Khovanov-Lee complex

For  $P(L) \subset S^2 \setminus \{O, X\}$ , we want to define a  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ -filtered chain complex.

We give a partial order to  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$  as  $(a, b) \leq (a', b)$  if and only if  $a \leq a'$  and  $b \leq b'$ .

Let C be a chain complex. We call C a  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$  filtration if for each  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ , we have a subcomplex  $F_{(a,b)} \subset C$ , and whenever  $(a, b) \leq (a', b')$  then  $F_{(a,b)} \supset F_{(a',b')}$ .

We form the bi-graded Khovanov-Lee complex

$$C = \bigoplus_{i,j \in \mathbb{Z}} C_{ij}$$

along with an endomorphism  $\partial^{LEE} : C \longrightarrow C$ , where  $\partial^{LEE} = \partial + \Phi$ , where both have degree 1 with respect to i(homological), and  $\partial$  has degree 0 in 'j'(quantum) and  $\Phi$  has degree 4 in 'j'.

As we already know,

$$\partial^2 = 0; \partial \Phi + \Phi \partial = 0; \Phi^2 = 0$$

We already know that the homology of the complex  $(C, \partial)$ OR  $(C, \partial^{LEE}) = (C, \partial + \Phi)$ . are invariants of L.

## 5 Remember X

Till now we have considered our link diagram in  $S^2 \setminus \{0\} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$  and have our complex C (a finite dimensional bigraded complex.)

Remembering the data of X, we obtain a 3rd grading on the underlying vector space of the K-L complex.

We have a basis of C which corresponds 1-1 with oriented Kauffman states of P(L).

We identify a " $v_+$ " marking on a component of a Kauffman state with a counterclockwise orientation of that component.

Define a "k" grading of a basis element c as the algebraic intersection number of the corresponding state with a fixed arc missing all crossings of P(L).

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$$u^{k}_{+} = 4 \qquad w_{+} = 1$$

$$u_{-} = x \qquad w_{-} = x$$

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#### Lemma

 $\partial^{LEE} = \partial_0 + \partial_- + \Phi_0 + \Phi_+$ , where the (i,j,k) degrees are given by:

- deg $(\partial_0) = (1,0,0)$
- $\deg(\partial_{-}) = (1, 0, -2))$
- $\deg(\Phi_0) = (1, 4, 0))$
- $\deg(\Phi_+) = (1, 4, 2))$

### Corollary

The j and j - 2k gradings on C endow  $(C, \partial^{LEE})$  with the structure of a  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ - filtered complex.

*Proof.* From the previous lemma,  $\partial^{LEE}$  is non decreasing for j and j - 2k. Consider the subcomplex

$$F_{(a,b)} = SPAN_{\mathbb{F}} \{ x \in C | gr_{(j,j-2k)}(x) \ge (a,b). \}$$

Easy to check it is a  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ - filtration for j and j - 2k gradings on C.

Let x be a (j, k)- homogenous basis element of C, and let  $t \in [0, 2]$ .

Define

$$j_t(x) = j(x) - t \cdot k(x).$$

### Corollary

For every t,  $j_t$  endows  $(C, \partial^{Lee})$  with the structure of a (discrete, bounded)  $\mathbb{R}$  filtered complex equipped with a finite filtered graded basis.

*Proof.* Same proof as before. The  $j_t$  grading on C is still non-decreasing.

$$F_a = \{ x \in C | j_t(x) \ge a \}.$$

This gives us the  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ -filtered complex.

## 6 Annular Rasmussen invariants of an annular link

We have  $P(L) \subset S^2 \setminus \{O\} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$  and o is an orientation on L, then Lee describes  $s_o \in C(P(L))$  whose homology class is non-zero.

Rasmussen used the  $\mathbb{Z}-$  filtration induced by the j- grading on C to define an invariant

 $s(K) \in 2\mathbb{Z},$ 

where

$$s(K) = gr_j([s_o]) + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z}.$$

# Later Beliakova, Wehrli extended the result to

s(L, o).

If  $\bar{o}$  is just the opposite orientation of o, then the result does not change.

## Define:

$$d_t(L,o) = gr_{j_t}([s_o]) \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Lemma

Let  $L \subset S^2 \setminus \{O, X\}$ . Consider  $P(L) \subset S^2 \setminus \{O\}$  and  $P'(L) \subset S^2 \setminus \{X\}$ . There exists an involution,

$$\theta: (C(P(L), \partial^{LEE})) \longrightarrow (C(P'(L), \partial^{LEE}))$$

inducing an isomorphism on homology.

It basically exchanges  $v_{\pm}$  to  $w_{\pm}$ 

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