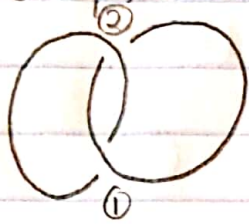
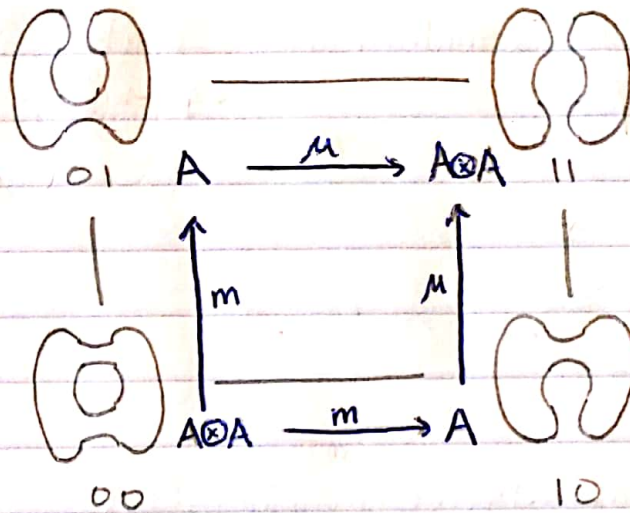


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$$X = \underbrace{\quad}_{0\text{-res.}} \underbrace{\quad}_{1\text{-res.}} - q \underbrace{\quad}_{1\text{-res.}}$$



vertices \rightarrow all possible resolutions
 weight $\rightarrow (-q)^{|v|} (q+q^{-1})^{\#\text{circles}}$
 where $|v| = \#\text{ of } 1\text{-resolutions}$
 w/overall factor $(-1)^{\dots} q^{\dots}$

Categorification:

vertices \rightsquigarrow vector spaces over \mathbb{Q}

edges \rightsquigarrow linear maps

0 circle \rightsquigarrow A

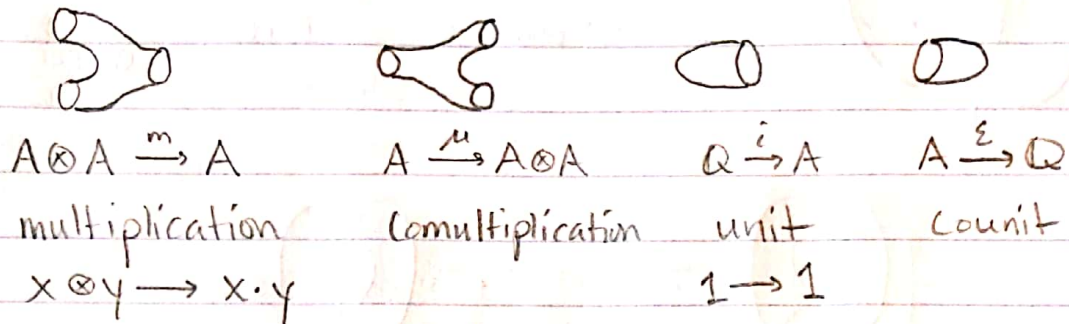
$\dim A = 2$, graded $\leftarrow q + q^{-1}$

n circles $\rightsquigarrow A^{\otimes n} = \underbrace{A \otimes \dots \otimes A}_{n \text{ times}}$

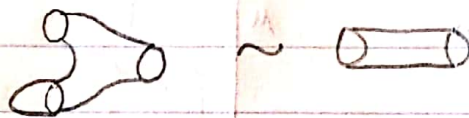
$\dim A^{\otimes n} = 2^n \leftarrow (q + q^{-1})^n$

Observation: On each edge, changing one crossing either merges two circles or splits one circle into two.

Q: What kind of structure do we need?



Example: $1 \cdot x = x$

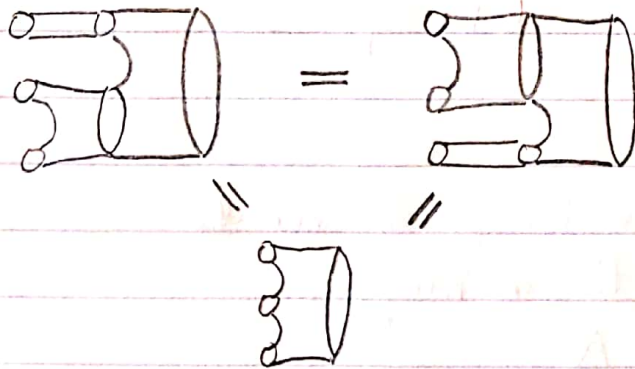


NOTE: m is commutative & associative

$$x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z$$

$$A \otimes A \otimes A \xrightarrow{m_{23}} A \otimes A \xrightarrow{m} A$$

$$x \otimes y \otimes z \rightarrow x \otimes (y \cdot z) \rightarrow x \cdot (y \cdot z)$$



NOTE:



$\therefore A$ is commutative, associative algebra

$$A^* \rightarrow A^* \otimes A^*$$

(comultiplication (comultiplicative & coassociative))

Fact: A has a nondegenerate bilinear form

$(x, y) \rightarrow \varepsilon(x \cdot y)$ so $A \cong A^*$ & multiplication & comultiplication are dual to each other

def: A w/all these structures & properties is called a Frobenius algebra

also called Topological Quantum F.T. of dim 1+1, aka TQFT where

1-dim mflds \rightarrow vector spaces

2-dim cobordisms \rightarrow maps

An important property for Frobenius algebra



$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\mu_2} & A \otimes A \otimes A & \xrightarrow{\mu_{12}} & A \otimes A \\
 & \searrow m & & \nearrow \mu & \\
 & & A & &
 \end{array}$$

Example:

1) $A = \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(x^2)} = \langle 1, x \rangle$

Describe mult, comult, unit & counit

Mult:

$$1 \otimes 1 \rightarrow 1$$

$$1 \otimes x \rightarrow x$$

$$x \otimes 1 \rightarrow x$$

$$x \otimes x \rightarrow 0 \text{ (since } x^2=0\text{)}$$

Comult:

$$1 \rightarrow 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1$$

$$x \rightarrow x \otimes x$$

Counit:

$$\varepsilon(1) = 0$$

$$\varepsilon(x) = 1$$

Bilinear form:

$$(a, b) = \varepsilon(a \cdot b)$$

$$(1, 1) = 0$$

$$(1, x) = (x, 1) = 1$$

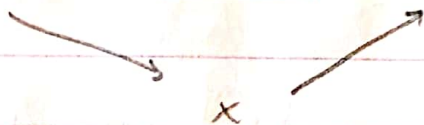
$$(x, x) = 0$$

Check (*)

$$1 \otimes 1 \longrightarrow 1 \otimes \underbrace{1 \otimes x} + \underbrace{1 \otimes x \otimes 1} \longrightarrow 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1$$



$$1 \otimes x \longrightarrow 1 \otimes \underbrace{x \otimes x} \longrightarrow x \otimes x$$



$$x \otimes x \longrightarrow x \otimes x \otimes x \longrightarrow 0$$



$$1 \longrightarrow 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1 \longrightarrow 2x$$

NOTE: There are lots of Frobenius algebras!

e.g. $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^n)$ or $\mathbb{Q}[x,y]/(x^n, y^m)$

Example:

1) $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^n) = \langle 1, x, \dots, x^{n-1} \rangle$

where $\varepsilon =$ coefficient at $x^{n-1} \dagger x^i$ dual to x^{n-1-i}

2) $\mathbb{Q}[x]/(x^2-1)$ Lee homology (later!)

Put m or μ on edges of cube resolutions (pg 1 in blue)

Claim: If A is a Frobenius algebra then each 2d square commutes