

24/10/23 Homology computations for complex braid groups with the Dehornoy braid complex

I. Complex braid groups.

We consider $W \subseteq GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ a finite group generated by (complex) reflections: $\text{codim } \ker(s - 1) = 1$ & $\text{Order}(s) \leq \infty$.

"Complex reflection group"

If $R \subseteq W$ is the set of reflections, we set $\mathcal{GL} = \bigcup_{s \in R} H_s$. and $X = \mathbb{C}^m \setminus \mathcal{GL}$.

Théo: Vachs freely on X , we set $P(W) = \pi_1(X)$, $B(W) = \pi_1(X/W)$. We have a short exact sequence $1 \rightarrow P(W) \rightarrow B(W) \rightarrow W \rightarrow 1$

One can restrict our attention to irreducible groups & their braid groups

$$G_{de, p, n} \rightarrow B_{de, p, n} \quad G_4, \dots, G_{37} \rightarrow B_4, \dots, B_{37}.$$

• Understand the lack of injectivity of $W \hookrightarrow B(W)$.

↳ not trivial since $B_{de, p, n} \cong B_{de, p, n}$ for $d \geq 2$.
+ several cases in excep groups.

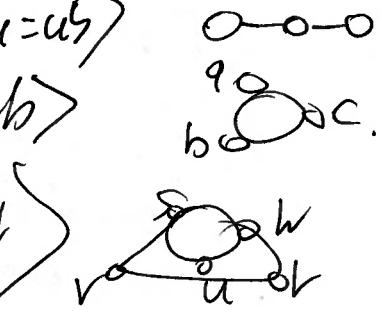
To do this, various methods. \rightarrow Alg top, combi, reduction mod prime...

Prop: $B(W)$ has homological dim the rank of W (Colligan-Ranin).
today: a combinatorial tool.

Ex: $A_3 = G_4 \sim \langle s, t, u \mid sts=tst, tut=utu, su=us \rangle$

$B_7 = B_{11} = B_{19} \dots = \langle a, b, c \mid abc=bca=cab \rangle$

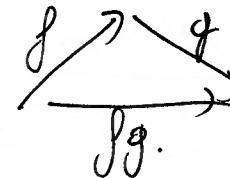
$B_{31} = \langle s, t, u, v, w \mid \begin{array}{l} suw=uws=wsu \\ stst=vstv \quad vuv=vvu \quad uwu=wtw \\ twt=wtw \\ st=ts \quad wv=vw \end{array} \rangle$



II. Gaußian categories

We really see categories as monoids with several objects:

- No size problem: all small.
- Composition as a product.
- Hom-sets denoted by $C(x, y)$.



Def: $a: x \rightarrow y$ in C is an atom if it has no nontrivial factorisation.

Denoting $f \geq g$ for $\exists h \in C$ with $f = hg$.

Prop: If $C^{\times} = \{1\}$ and every morphism is a mono, then \geq is a preorder on $(C, u) \quad \forall u \in \text{Ob}(C)$. Atoms are minimal elements of \geq .

Df: The category C is right Noetherian if there are no infinite strictly descending \geq chains (i.e. \geq well-founded).

Def: A category C is left Gaußian if $C^{\times} = 1$, right Noetherian; every morphism is both mono and ep (cancellative); Pullback exists (lcm).

Pullback: $g \circ \begin{pmatrix} j & j' \\ m & n \end{pmatrix} \circ f$

lcm: $m = f'f = g'g, \quad \forall M = f''f = g''g \quad \exists$
 $\mu \text{ to } m\mu = M$. (+ unique by cancell).

Rk: This is a good notion of "divisibility", related to rewriting systems and normal forms.

If $C = \mathbb{N}$ is a monoid \rightarrow Gaußian monoid [Dehornoy Paris].

Ex: If (P, \leq) is a poset, C_P its associated category.

→ cancellative = ok by uniqueness of morphisms.

→ atoms = covering relations of P .

→ Noetherian (right): \nexists infinite sequence $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_3 \dots \leq x_{20}$.

→ Pullback exists = two elements with a common upper bound have a "join".

key example, useful for hom comp.

Def: For C a small category, we define $\mathcal{G}(C) = C[C^{-1}]$ the enveloping groupoid of C (if $\mathcal{G} = C$ is a monoid, $\mathcal{G}(\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Q}(H)$ is a group).

Prop: If C is left Gaussian, embeds in $\mathcal{G}(C)$, and we have left fractions (decomposition (One condition))

Theo: Every irreducible complex braid group is isom to the enveloping group of some (several) Gaussian monoid... except.

$$B_m^*(e) = B(2e, e, m)$$

$$\text{finite index} \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ B(2, 1, m) \end{array} \right)$$

(B31) !!!

This is why we need a categorical approach.

III. Categorical homology

Def: Let C be a category, a C -module ($\mathbb{Z}C$ -module) is a contravariant functor $C \rightarrow \text{Ab}$.

Initial functor \rightsquigarrow "constant diagram" = \mathbb{Z} . Notion of Free functor (adj to what?).
Notion of tensor product (bimodule).

Def: Let $A \in \mathbb{Z}C\text{-mod}$, we define $H_m(C, A) = \text{Tor}_{\mathbb{Z}C}^m(\mathbb{Z}, A) = L^m(- \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}C} A)(\mathbb{Z})$.

Can be computed using free (projective) resolution of \mathbb{Z} as a $\mathbb{Z}C$ -module.

Is there a link between $H_m(C, A) \& H_m(\mathcal{G}(C), A)$?

We have an obvious functor $\mathbb{Z}G\text{-mod} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}C\text{-mod}$ of scalar restriction.
Using $\mathbb{Z}G \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}C} -$, we get a scalar inversion functor.

Prop:

$$\mathbb{Z}G\text{-mod} \xleftarrow{\quad \perp \quad} \mathbb{Z}C\text{-mod}$$

$\mathbb{Z}G \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}C} -$

Théo: If C is left Gaussian, then scalar inversion is exact. [Squar]
 $\forall A \in \mathbb{Z}C\text{-mod}, H_*(C, A) = H_*(\mathbb{G}, \mathbb{Z}G \otimes_C A)$. [Carsten E. Berkley]

Furthermore, if $\mathbb{G} \cong G$ (equivalence), then this induces an equivalence
 $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{G}\text{-mod} \cong \mathbb{Z}G\text{-mod}$, and $H_*(G, A) = H_*(\mathbb{G}, A)$

We can compute homology of a Gaussian category to compute homology of braid groups.

IV. Homology computations: The order complex.

1) A first try: The Chorney Reiner Whittlesey.

The categories we consider are beside on top of being Gaussian, the closure of the atom union \vee division, is finite and well-behaved: the set of simple.

From this, a complex built with the nerve ("Gaussian nerve"). With top. meaning.

Problem: For B_3 , 660 atoms, 2603 simples, CMW gives a too big complex

grade of the complex	0	1	2	3	4
	88	2603	11065	15300	6750

2) The Dehomoy Lafont complex

Fix C Gaussian, A its atoms $<$ a lin order on A . Any $f: x \rightarrow y$ in C admits a $<$ -least div on the right $\text{md}(f) = d$. This gives a normal form $f = \underbrace{a_m \dots a_1}_{NFP}$ where $a_i = \text{md}(a_m \dots a_i)$. $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

Def: A m -cell is a tuple $[d_1 \dots d_m]$ of atoms with the same length x ,

$d_1 < \dots < d_m$ and

$$\forall i \in \{1, m\} \quad d_i = \text{md}(d_i; v_1 \dots v_m)$$

The source is that of the lcm $d_1 v_1 \dots v_m$

Ex: $[\phi]_u$ for each object u , 1-cells = atoms.

$$2\text{-cells} = \{\alpha < \beta \mid d = \text{md}(\alpha \vee \beta)\}.$$

A chain will be a linear combination of the form

$$\sum c_i f[d_1 \dots d_m]$$

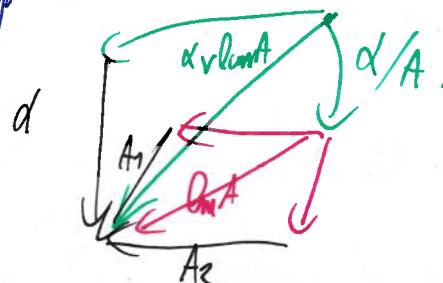
all f have the same target
as the source of $d_1' \circ \dots \circ d_m'$
and the same source.

The differential ∂_m is constructed recursively, along with a contracting homotopy S_{m+1} (\mathbb{Z} -linear).

$$\partial_m([\phi]_u) = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad S_{m+1}(1) = [\phi] \quad \pi_0 = \partial_m \circ S_{m+1} : f[\phi] \xrightarrow{\text{sp}} [\phi]_{\text{sp}}$$

The "reduction map" π is needed to carry on the construction. Assume ∂_m, S_{m+1} π_m constructed.

A $(m+1)$ -cell is $[d, A]$ where A m -cell, $d = \text{lcm}(d, \text{lcm}A)$, let d/A be the unique morphism $d/A \text{lcm}(A) = \text{lcm}(d, \text{lcm}A)$.

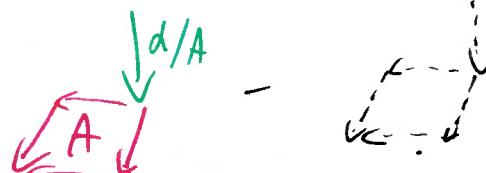
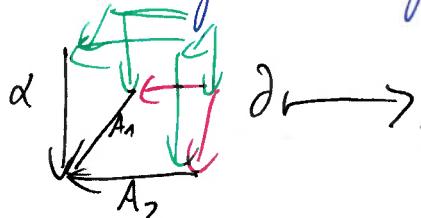


Def: $\partial_{m+1}[d, A] = d/A[A] - \pi_m(d/A[A])$. $\pi_{m+1} = S_m \circ \partial_{m+1}$.

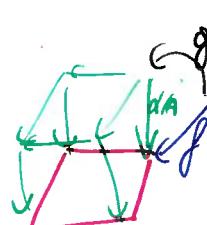
$$S_m(f[A]) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \text{lcm}(f \text{lcm}A) = A_1 \\ g[d, A] + S_m(g(\pi_m(d/A[A]))) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$d = \text{lcm}(f \text{lcm}A)$
 $gd/A = f$.

Well defined through some induction.



$$- S \left(\begin{array}{c} R \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{array} \right)$$



Example: computation of S_0 (see following page).

Theo: ∂_m is a finite free resolution of \mathbb{Z} in \mathcal{C} . This contradicts hope
 $(+\partial_m(\text{Im}(\phi)) = \text{Im}(\phi)).$

example: Let $f: u \rightarrow v$ in C , we write $NF(f) = a_m \dots a_1$. We have $g = a_m \dots a_2$.

$$\begin{aligned} S_0(f[\phi]_v) &= g[a_1] + S_0(g(\pi_0(a_1/\phi[\phi]))) \\ &= g[a_1] + S_0(g(\pi_0(a_1/\phi))) \\ &= g[a_1] + S_0(g[\phi]). \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m a_m \dots a_{i+1}[a_i] \end{aligned}$$

Cor: Let $[\alpha, \beta]$ be a two-cell, we write $m_2 = \overbrace{b_m \dots b_2}^{\text{NF}} \beta$ $m_1 = \overbrace{a_m \dots a_2}^{\text{NF}} \alpha$.
 we have $\partial_2 [\alpha, \beta] = \sum_{i=2}^m b_m \dots b_{i+1}[b_i] + b_m \dots b_2[\beta]$
 $- \left(\sum_{j=2}^m a_m \dots a_{j+1}[a_j] + a_m \dots a_2[\alpha] \right)$.

"Comparison between two ways of writing $\partial v \beta$ ".

For B_{31} , we obtain (through some optimization of $\langle \cdot \rangle$).

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 88 & 660 & 1665 & 1735 & 642 \end{array}$$

This is 10 times less than CTRW. (+ for any choice of ordering, $1655 \leq 1665 \leq 1865$).

We compute:

$H_m(B_{31}, \mathbb{Z})$	0	1	2	3	4	
\mathbb{Z}	\mathbb{Z}	\mathbb{Z}	\mathbb{Z}_6	\mathbb{Z}	\mathbb{Z}	- CTRW.
\mathbb{Z}_E	\mathbb{Z}_2	0	\mathbb{Z}_6	\mathbb{Z}_{20}	0	
$R = \mathbb{Q}(t, t^{-1})$	0	0	R/ϕ_6	$R/(F_{10} - 1)/\phi_{15}$	0	

$$+ H_2(B_{31}, \mathbb{F}_2[t^{\pm 1}]) = \phi_1, \phi_6 \quad H_3(B_{31}, \mathbb{F}_2[t^{\pm 1}]) = \frac{t^{10}-1}{t-1} \phi_{15} = \frac{t^5-1}{t-1} \phi_{15}.$$