

# Trace and center of the twisted Heisenberg category

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# Trace decategorification

The trace (or zeroth Hochschild homology) of a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear additive category  $\mathcal{C}$ :

$$\mathrm{Tr}(\mathcal{C}) := \left( \bigoplus_{x \in \mathrm{ob}(\mathcal{C})} \mathrm{End}_{\mathcal{C}}(X) \right) / \mathrm{Span}\{fg - gf\},$$

where  $f$  and  $g$  run through all pairs of morphisms  $f : x \rightarrow y$  and  $g : y \rightarrow x$  with  $x, y \in \mathrm{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ .

If  $\mathcal{C}$  is monoidal, then  $\mathrm{Tr}(\mathcal{C})$  is an algebra.

[Cautis-Lauda-Licata-Sussan 2015] show

$$\mathrm{Tr}(\mathcal{H}) \cong W_{1+\infty} / \langle C - 1, w_{0,0} \rangle.$$

[Kvinge, Licata, Mitchell 2017] show the center,  $\mathrm{End}_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbb{1})$ , of the Heisenberg category is isomorphic to the shifted symmetric functions  $\Lambda^*$ .

Twisted Heisenberg algebra  $\mathfrak{h}_{tw}$ : associative algebra with generators  $h_{m/2}$ ,  $m \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$  subject to

$$[h_{\frac{n}{2}}, h_{\frac{m}{2}}] = \frac{n}{2} \delta_{n,-m}.$$

Categorified by twisted Heisenberg category  $\mathcal{H}_{tw}$  [Cautis-Sussan, 2015]:

$$\mathfrak{h}_{tw} \subset K_0(\mathcal{H}_{tw}).$$

Conjecturally isomorphic.

We will describe  $\text{Tr}$  (and center) of  $\mathcal{H}_{tw}$ .

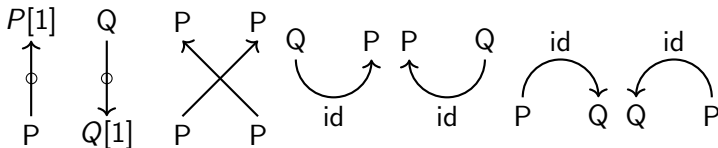
# Twisted Heisenberg category

Twisted Heisenberg category  $\mathcal{H}_{tw}$ :  
generating objects:

$$P = \uparrow \quad Q = \downarrow$$

Think:  $P$  is induction and  $Q$  is restriction on modules for the *Sergeev algebra* (finite Hecke-Clifford algebra).

Morphisms:



# New relations - empty dots

Empty dots correspond to generators  $c_i$  of Clifford algebra  $\mathcal{C}l_n$ .  
 $\text{Tr}(\mathcal{H}_{tw})$  is  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -graded where empty dots have degree 1.

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \circ \\ \uparrow \end{array} \quad c_i^2 = 1 \quad \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \circ \\ \dots \\ \uparrow \end{array} = - \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \dots \\ \uparrow \\ \circ \end{array} \quad c_i c_j = -c_j c_i$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \searrow \\ \circ \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \searrow \\ \circ \end{array} \quad c_i s_i = s_i c_{i+1}$$

# Dot interactions

Define:

$$\text{loop} := \text{strand with dot}$$

Empty dots and solid dots on different strands commute.

$$\text{strand with empty dot} \dots \text{strand with solid dot} = \text{strand with solid dot} \dots \text{strand with empty dot}$$

Empty dots and solid dots on the same strand anticommute.

$$\text{strand with empty dot then solid dot} = - \text{strand with solid dot then empty dot} \quad X_i C_i = -C_i X_i$$

Dots, hollow dots, and crossings generate the *degenerate affine Hecke-Clifford algebra*  $\mathfrak{H}_n^C$ .

$W_{1+\infty}$ : unique nontrivial central extension of Lie algebra of differential operators on the circle. Connected to  $\mathfrak{gl}_\infty$ .

Important in 2D quantum field theory and integrable systems.

[Kac, Wang, Yan, 1998] define a certain subalgebra  $W^-$  of  $W_{1+\infty}$  fixed by degree-preserving anti-involution.



Denote  $D = t\partial_t$ .

$$W^- = \begin{cases} \{t^j g(D + (j-1)/2) \mid g \text{ odd polynomial}\}, & \text{if } j \text{ even} \\ \{t^j g(D + (j-1)/2) \mid g \text{ even polynomial}\}, & \text{if } j \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$W^-$  is generated by  $t^{-1}$ ,  $D^3$ , and  $t^{\pm 2}(D \mp 1)$ .

# Fock space representations

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W^- & \overset{\text{---}}{\longrightarrow} & \text{Tr}(\mathcal{H}_{tw})_{\bar{0}} \\ & \searrow \text{acts on} & \swarrow \text{acts on} \\ \mathbb{C}[t^{-1}, t^{-2}, \dots] & \overset{\sim}{\longleftarrow} & \text{Fock space} & \overset{\sim}{\longrightarrow} & \mathbb{C} \left[ \uparrow, \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \end{array}, \dots \right] \end{array}$$

Identify images of generators of each algebra in the Fock space.

# Isomorphism

Define an algebra map  $\Phi : \text{Tr}(\mathcal{H}_{tw})_{\bar{0}} \rightarrow W^-$  by mapping

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ | \\ \uparrow \end{array} \right] &\mapsto \sqrt{2}t^{-1} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \bullet \nwarrow \\ \nwarrow \nearrow \end{array} \right] + \left[ \begin{array}{c} \nwarrow \nearrow \\ \nearrow \bullet \nwarrow \end{array} \right] &\mapsto -2\sqrt{2}t^2(D \mp 1) \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \circlearrowleft \end{array} \right] + \left[ \begin{array}{c} \bullet^2 \\ \circlearrowleft \end{array} \right] &\mapsto 2D^3 \end{aligned}$$

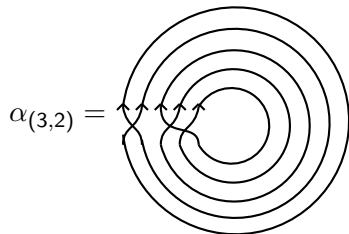
and extending algebraically.

**Theorem (Oğuz-Reeks 2017)**

*The map  $\Phi$  is an algebra isomorphism  $\text{Tr}(\mathcal{H}_{tw})_{\bar{0}} \rightarrow W^-$ .*

The center of a monoidal category  $\mathcal{C}$  is the algebra  $\text{End}_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathbb{1})$ .

The center of  $\mathcal{H}_{tw}$  is the algebra of closed diagrams:



# Center of the twisted Heisenberg category

It can be shown that

$$Z(\mathcal{H}_{tw}) \cong \mathbb{C}[d_0, d_2, \dots],$$

where

$$d_k := \text{circle with } k \text{ dots and arrow}$$

Multiplication is inhomogeneous:

$$\alpha(5,1) = \alpha(5) + \text{l. o. t.} + \alpha(1)$$

Let  $\Gamma \subset \Lambda$  be the subalgebra of symmetric functions generated by

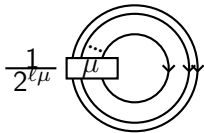
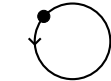

$$\{p_{2n+1} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

$\Gamma$  has many interesting bases:

- $\mathfrak{p}_\lambda = p_\lambda + \text{l.o.t.}$   
*inhomogenous power sums*
- $Q_\lambda^* = Q_\lambda + \text{l.o.t.}$   
*factorial Schur Q-functions*
- $\mathfrak{g}_k^\uparrow, \mathfrak{g}_{k+1}^\downarrow$   
*moments of probability measures on Schur's graph*

## Theorem (Kvinge, Oğuz, Reeks)

The center  $\text{End}_{\mathcal{H}_{tw}}(\mathbb{1})$  of the twisted Heisenberg category is isomorphic as an algebra to  $\Gamma$ .

| $\Gamma$  | $\mathfrak{p}_\mu$  | $\mathfrak{g}_k^\uparrow$  | $\mathfrak{g}_{k+1}^\downarrow$  |
|---|---|--|--|
| diagram<br>in<br>$\text{End}_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbb{1})$ | $\frac{1}{2^{\ell\mu}}$  | $2k$  | $2k$  |

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