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"Skein and cluster algebras of marked surfaces without punctures for  $sl_3$ "

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( based on [IY] arXiv: 2101.00643 )

"geometry of  $X$ "

character variety

$$\text{Hom}(\pi_1 \Sigma, G) // G$$

algebra of link diagrams  
 $\mathcal{L}(\Sigma)$

skein rel.

Skein algebra

$$\mathcal{S}_{g, \Sigma}^?$$

quantum cluster algebra

$$\mathcal{A}_{s_2(g, \Sigma)} \subset \mathcal{U}_{s_2(g, \Sigma)}$$

Laurent expansion

upper

"function ring  $\mathcal{O}(X)$ "

## skein algebra

- web cluster
- elementary web
- skein relation
- ⋮

## quantum cluster algebra

- cluster <sup>↖ triangulation of  $\Sigma$</sup>
- cluster variables  $\{A_i\}$
- quantum exchange relation
- ⋮

Conjecture  $A_{S_2(g, \Sigma)} = \mathcal{S}_{g, \Sigma}^{\hbar}[\partial^{-1}] = \mathcal{U}_{S_2(g, \Sigma)} \subset \text{Frac } \mathcal{S}_{g, \Sigma}^{\hbar}$

$\cup \quad \parallel \quad g = \mathfrak{sl}_2$  ↗ Laurent expansion

$\mathcal{A}_{g, \Sigma}^{\hbar}$  : surface subalgebra positivity  
= coeff. in  $\mathbb{Z}_+[\hbar^{\pm 1}]$

Muller (2016) The conjecture is true for  $g = \mathfrak{sl}_2$

## Main result [IT]

- $\mathcal{A}_{\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma}^{\hbar} \subset \mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma}^{\hbar}[\partial^{-1}] \subset \mathcal{U}_{S_2(\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma)} \subset \text{Frac } \mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma}^{\hbar}$
- {elevation preserving webs}  $\subset \mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma}^{\hbar}$  has positivity.

進展:  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma}^{\hbar}[\partial^{-1}] \subset \mathcal{A}_{S_2(\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma)} \subset \mathcal{U}_{S_2(\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma)}$

if  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow \mathcal{S} = \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{U}$





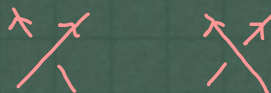
① a tangled trivalent graph on  $\Sigma$

$\Leftrightarrow$  an oriented uni-trivalent graph with

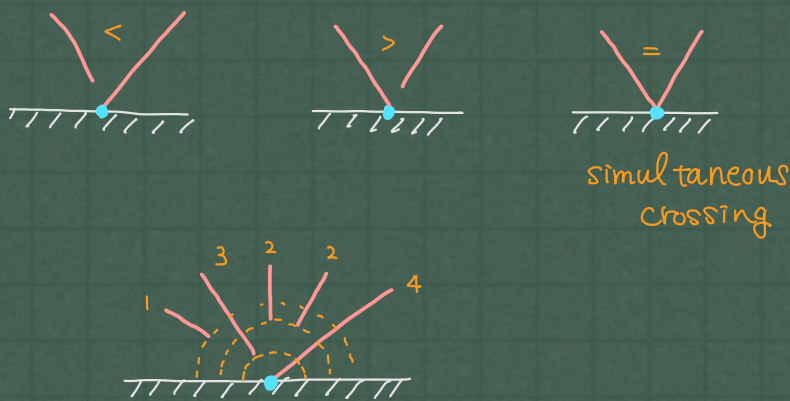
- sink and source vertices



- internal crossings on edges



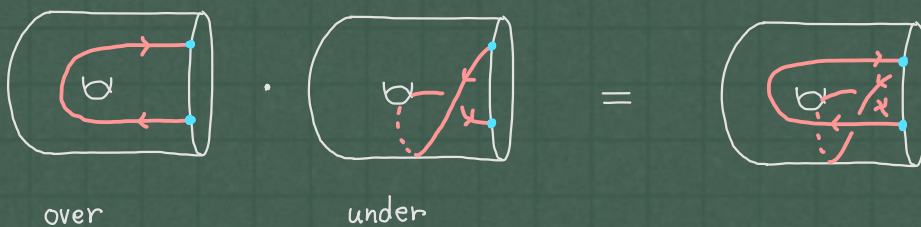
- elevation at a marked point



Definition (the  $\mathfrak{sl}_3$ -skein algebra of  $\Sigma$ )

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma}^A := \text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}[A^{\pm \frac{1}{3}}]} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{tangled trivalent} \\ \text{graphs on } \Sigma \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} / (1) \mathfrak{sl}_3\text{-skein relations} \\ (2) \text{boundary } \mathfrak{sl}_3\text{-skein relations} \\ (3) \text{isotopy of } \Sigma \text{ rel. to } \partial\Sigma \end{array}$$

- multiplication of  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{sl}_3, \Sigma}^A$







# §. basis, generators, clusters of $\mathcal{S}_{sl_3, \Sigma}^A$

## ⊙ basis webs

$$BWeb_{\Sigma} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} sl_3\text{-webs represented} \\ \text{by non-elliptic flat trivalent graphs} \end{array} \right\}$$

e.g. non-elliptic  
flat trivalent graph



elliptic faces



Theorem [IY] (Confluence theory in [Sikora-Westbury])

$BWeb_{\Sigma}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_A$ -basis of  $\mathcal{S}_{sl_3, \Sigma}^A$   
"  $\mathbb{Z}[A^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}]$



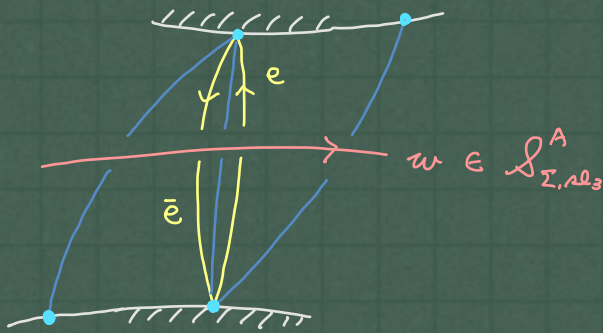








# § Expansion of webs and positivity



$$w e \bar{e} = A^{\circlearrowleft} \text{ [diagram 1]} + A^{\triangleleft} \text{ [diagram 2]} + A^{\square} \text{ [diagram 3]}$$

## Theorem [IY]

$\Delta$  : an ideal triangulation of  $\Sigma$ .

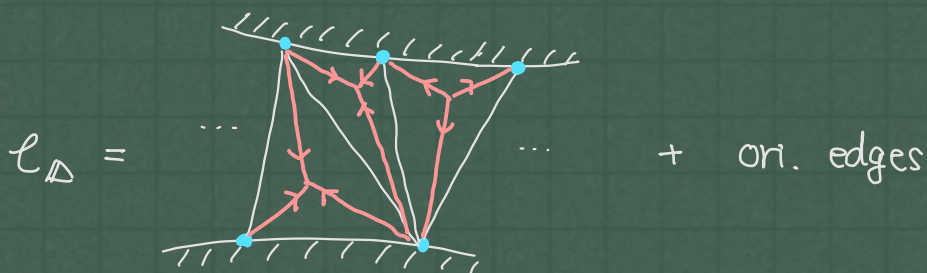
$t(\Delta)$  : triangles in  $\Delta$

a web cluster of  $T$   
with  $t_\varepsilon$

$$\forall G \in \text{BWeb}, \exists J_G : \text{monomial in } \mathcal{L}_\Delta := \bigcup_{T \in t(\Delta)} \mathcal{L}_{T_\varepsilon}$$

$$\text{s.t. } G \cdot J_G \in \langle \mathcal{L}_\Delta \rangle_{\text{alg}} \subset \mathcal{S}_{\Omega_3, \Sigma}^A$$

e.g.





$\rightsquigarrow$  • Any  $sl_3$ -web has a Laurent expression in  $\mathcal{L}_\Delta$

⑩ "quantum positivity"

$S$  : a certain subset of  $sl_3$ -webs

$S$  has quantum positivity w.r.t.  $\Delta$

$\Leftrightarrow$   $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\forall} G \in S$  has a Laurent expression in  $\langle \mathcal{L}_\Delta \rangle_{alg}$   
 with coefficients in  $\mathbb{Z}_+[q^{\pm 1}]$

