#### Chern-Simons theory, Knot polynomials & Quivers

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#### Periodic table of Knots



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#### Figure: Classification of knots

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## Figure: algebraic quantity associated with each knot

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#### Skein relation and Knot invariants



Examples: (51, 10132), (88, 10129), (1025, 1056), (1022, 1035), (1041, 1094) etc.

HOMFLY-PT Polynomial : H[K; A=q^(N/2),q]

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Need Further Improvement !!!!!

#### **Connection to Physics**





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#### Wilson loop operator

$$W_{\underline{R}}[K] = \operatorname{Tr}_{\mathbf{R}} exp \ \oint_{K} dx^{u} A^{a}_{\mu} \underline{T}^{a}_{R}$$



 $T_R^a$ =Generators for representation R of SU(N)



## Chern-Simons Theory



#### [Witten '89]

	R= 🗌	(fundamental)	Higher rank representation
SU(2)	Jones Polynomial		Colored Jones
SU(N)	HOMFLY-PT Polynomial		Colored HOMFLY-PT

$$J(a,q) = q + q^3 - q^4$$

Variables: 
$$q = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{k+N}}, \quad a = q^N$$

#### **Chern-Simons Invariants**

Towards the solving classification problems of knot



#### Method for computation of knot invariants



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#### Knot classification



Figure: Classification of knot/link (a) arborescent (b) non- arborescent

#### Fusion matrix and braiding eigenvalue for 4point conformal block



$$\lambda_{R_1,R_2;t}^{(+)} = \{R_1,R_2,t\}^+ q^{(C_{R_1}+C_{R_2}-C_t/2)}$$
  
$$\lambda_{R_1,\bar{R}_2;t}^{(-)} = \{R_1,\bar{R}_2,t\}^- q^{(-C_t)/2}$$
 [Moore,Seiberg '89]

where  $C_R$  denotes the quadratic Casimir of a representation R and intermediate states obey the fusion rule, *i.e.*  $t \in (R_1 \otimes R_2) \cap (\overline{R}_3 \otimes \overline{R}_4)$ and  $s \in (R_2 \otimes R_3) \cap (\overline{R}_1 \otimes \overline{R}_4)$ 

#### **Fusion matrix**



The quantum algebra  $U_q(SU(2))$ 

$$[J_z, J_{\pm}] = \pm J_{\pm}, \qquad [J_+, J_-] = \frac{q^{\frac{J_z}{2}} - q^{-\frac{J_z}{2}}}{q^{\frac{1}{2}} - q^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \equiv [J_z]$$

Representation:  $|j,m\rangle$ 

$$J_{\pm}|j,m\rangle = \sqrt{[j \mp m][j \pm m + 1]} |j,m \pm 1\rangle \qquad \qquad J_{z}|j,m\rangle = [m] |j,m\rangle$$





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 $\frac{4}{v_r}$ 

 $v_4$ 

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 $v_1$ 

#### Example:- Figure Eight Knot







41 Knot



J[1][SU(N)]=1 + A^(-2) + A^2 - q^(-2) - q^2

$$\begin{split} J[2][SU[N]=3+q^{A}(-6)-1((A^{2}*q^{A}6)-q^{A}(-4)+\\ 1((A^{A'}q^{A}q^{A})-1)(A^{A'2}q^{A}4)+1((A^{A'2}q^{A}2)-A^{A'2}(q^{A}2\\ -q^{A'2}A^{A'2}q^{A}6) \\ -q^{A'2}q^{A'6} \\ J[1][SO(N)]=(-A+A^{A}3+q-2A^{A'2}q^{A}4+A^{A'4}q^{A'4}+\\ 2A^{A'3}q^{A'4}+q^{A'5}-2A^{A'2}q^{A'5}-A^{A'4}q^{A'5}-A Aq^{A'6}-\\ A^{A'3}q^{A'4}+q^{A'5}-2A^{A'2}q^{A'5}+A^{A'4}q^{A'5}+A q^{A'6}-\\ A^{A'3}q^{A'6})(A^{A'2}q^{A'3}) \end{split}$$

 $J[\textcircled{a}_{R}] = \underbrace{Ja_{R}}_{R} \overset{R}{R} \overset{R}{R} (\overset{)}{\searrow})^{1} \overset{1}{a_{R}} \overset{R}{R} \overset{R}{R} (\overset{)}{\searrow})^{1} \overset{1}{a_{R}} \overset{R}{R} \overset{R}{R} (\overset{)}{\bigvee})^{2} \overset{1}{a_{R}} \overset{R}{R} \overset{$ 

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$$\begin{array}{rcl} & & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \end{array} & = & (0;0)_0 \oplus (1;1)_0 \oplus (1;1)_1 \oplus (2;2)_0 \oplus (2;1^2)_0 \\ & & \\ \oplus (1^2;2)_0 \oplus (1^2;1^2)_0 \oplus (21;21)_0, \end{array}$$

The two types of Wigner 6j has been recently determined for  $\boxminus$  (Gu,

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Now, the states in the four-point conformal blocks involve multiplicity

$$R_{2} \xrightarrow{R_{2}} t \xrightarrow{R_{3}} R_{3} = |\phi_{t,r_{3}r_{4}}^{(1)}(R_{1}, R_{2}, R_{3}, R_{4})\rangle$$



#### Multi-boundary state









(b) three boundaries

Figure: three-manifolds with boundaries

$$\begin{aligned} |2\text{-bdry}\rangle^{(a)} &= \sum_{t,r_1r_2} \{R,\bar{R},\bar{t},r_1\} \{R,\bar{R},\bar{t},r_2\} |\phi_{t,r_1r_2}^{(1)}(\ldots)\rangle_1 \ |\phi_{t,r_2r_1}^{(1)}(\ldots)\rangle_2 \\ |3\text{-bdry}\rangle^{(b)} &= \sum_{t,r_1,r_2,r_3} \frac{\{R,\bar{R},\bar{t},r_1\} \{R,\bar{R},\bar{t},r_2\} \{R,\bar{R},\bar{t},r_3\}}{\sqrt{\dim_q t}} .|\phi_{t,r_1r_2}^{(1)}(\ldots)\rangle_1 \\ &= |\phi_{t,r_1r_2}^{(1)}(\ldots)\rangle_2 |\phi_{t,r_2r_1}^{(1)}(\ldots)\rangle_3 ,\end{aligned}$$

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Furthermore, it is straightforward to extrapolate it to multi-boundary states as



#### $M_y$ mutation operation on two -tangle



$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{F}\rangle &= \left( [b_1^{(-)}]^{-1} b_2^{(+)} [b_1^{(-)}]^{-1} \right) b_1^{(-)} [b_3^{(-)}]^{-1} \left( [b_1^{(-)}]^{-1} b_2^{(+)} [b_1^{(-)}]^{-1} \right) |\mathbf{F}\rangle \\ &= \sum_{t, r_1, r_2} \{ R, \bar{R}, \bar{t}, r_1 \} \{ R, \bar{R}, \bar{t}, r_2 \} |\phi_{t, r_2, r_1}^{(1)} (R, \bar{R}, R, \bar{R}) \rangle \langle \phi_{t, r_1, r_2}^{(1)} (R, \bar{R}, R, \bar{R}) |\mathbf{F}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\{R, \overline{R}, \overline{t}, r_1\}$  indicated by signs  $\pm 1$  hence the amplitude of mutant tangle are related by sign when  $r1 \neq r2$ .

## Example :- Kinoshita-Terasaka knot and Conwayknot

The F and G tangle for Kinoshita-Terasaka knot can be redrawn as follows:



It is easy to see that

$$P_{\square}(K_{KT}; a, q) - P_{\square}(K_C; a, q) = a^{-5}q^{-18}(a-1)(a-q^2)(aq^2-1)(a-q^3)^2$$
$$(a q^3 - 1)^2(q-1)^2(q^3-1)^2(q^6-q^5+q^4-q^3+q^2-q+1)^2,$$

so that the SU(2) and SU(3) quantum invariants cannot distinguish this mutant pair. The difference becomes apparent for N > 3 and especially, at N = 4, it factorizes as

$$J^{(4)}_{\square}(K_{\mathcal{KT}};q) - J^{(4)}_{\square}(K_{\mathcal{C}};q) = -q^{-30}(1-q)^{6}(1+q^{2})(1-q^{3})^{2}$$

 $(1 - q^6)(1 - q^{14})^2$ , which is consistent with the result obtained by Ochiai with the computer software "Knot Theory By Computer" programmed based on the cabling method(Murakami (2000)).





- This method is computationally efficient and it takes less than 15 minutes with a current desktop computer for the computation.
- More mutant pair discuss in arXiv:1601.04199(J.Phys. A 50 (2017)), arXiv:2007.12532(Journal of Geometry and Physics, 159(2021),)
- advanced new results of knot invariants-> knotebook.org website(DST-RFBR, P-162 funded ongoing project).
- Knot invariants:- useful to verify integrality structures predicted by U(N) and SO topological string duality conjectures (arXiv:1702.06316(JHEP08 (2017) 139)) and multi-boundary entanglement(arXiv:1711.06474(JHEP(2018)), arXiv:1906.11489(JHEP(2019),theory, arXiv:2007.07033(JHEP (2020)).

#### Computation Methods for non-arborescent kng

For m=3 strand and each strand carrying representation R, parameterized by a sequence of integers (a<sub>1</sub>,b<sub>1</sub>,a<sub>2</sub>,b<sub>2</sub>)



• colored HOMFLY-PT using quantum  $\mathcal{R}$  matrices will be

 $H_{R} = Tr\{(\mathcal{R} \otimes \mathcal{I})^{a_{1}}(\mathcal{I} \otimes \mathcal{R})^{b_{1}}(\mathcal{R} \otimes \mathcal{I})^{a_{2}}(\mathcal{I} \otimes \mathcal{R})^{b_{2}}\}$ 

► Instead of working in tensor space R<sup>⊗3</sup>, it is simpler to work using the irreducible representation

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$$H_{[1]} = \sum_{[111], [21], [3]} tr\{(\mathcal{R}_1^Q)^{a_1}(\mathcal{R}_2^Q)^{b_1}(\mathcal{R}_1^Q)^{a_2}(\mathcal{R}_2^Q)^{b_2}\}$$
  
=  $q^{a_1+b_1+a_2+b_2}S^*_{[3]} + q^{-(a_1+b_1+a_2+b_2)}S^*_{[111]} + tr\{(\mathcal{R}_1^{[21]})^{a_1}(U_{[21]}\mathcal{R}_1^{[21]}U_{[21]})^{b_1}(\mathcal{R}_1^{[21]})^{a_2}(U_{[21]}\mathcal{R}_1^{[21]}U_{[21]})^{b_2}\}S^*_{[21]}$ 

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• Highest weight method is one method which enables determining these *U* matrices.

## Colored HOMFLY-PT for links carrying arbitrary symmetric Representations

arXiv:1805.03916(Ann. Henri Poincare (2019)) The braid word  $\beta \in B_3$  for a link



There exist U matrix which relate two equivalent basis

$$|\left(([r_1]\otimes[r_2])_{X_{\alpha}}\otimes[r_3]\right)_{Q_{\nu}}\rangle\xrightarrow{\mathsf{U}}|\left([r_1]\otimes([r_2]\otimes[r_3])_{Y_{\beta}}\right)_{Q_{\nu}}\rangle,$$

Conjecture :

$$U\begin{bmatrix} [r_1] & [r_2] \\ [r_3] & \overline{[\ell_{\nu}, m_{\nu}, n_{\nu}]} \end{bmatrix} = U_{u_q(sl_2)} \begin{bmatrix} (r_1 - n_{\nu})/2 & (r_2 - n_{\nu})/2 \\ (r_3 - n_{\nu})/2 & (\ell_{\nu} - m_{\nu})/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{H_{[r_1],[r_2]}^{L7a3}}{s_{[r_1]}^* \cdot s_{[r_2]}^*} &= T_{[r_2]}(q,A) + \sum_{k=1}^{\min(r_1,r_2)} \frac{[r_1]![r_2]!}{[r_1-k]![r_2-k]!} \frac{\{q\}^{3k}}{A^{3r_2}} \frac{D_{-1}}{D_{r_2-1}} \times \\ &\times \frac{\prod_{n=1}^k D_{r_1+n-1} \prod_{m=0}^{r_2-k-1} D_{2k+m}}{\prod_{i=0}^{r_2-k-1} D_{k+i-1}} \cdot G_{k,r_2}(q,A) \,, \end{aligned}$$

• The procedure is straightforward for m = 4 or more strands but will involve new unitary matrices.

Weaving knot obtained from closure of three-strand braid whose braid word is

$$(\sigma_1\sigma_2^{-1}\sigma_3^1\ldots\sigma_{p-1}^x)^n,$$

where x = 1(-1) if p is even(odd). As example p = 3



(1)

They attracted interest because it was conjectured that they possess maximum volume among all other knots of same crossing number. Exploring on this conjecture towards the volume, Champanerkar, Kofman and Purcell proved the following theorem.

#### Theorem (Theorem 1.1)

If 
$$p \ge 3$$
 and  $n \ge 7$ , then  
 $v_{oct}(p-2) n \left(1 - \frac{(2\pi)^2}{n^2}\right)^{3/2} \le vol(W(p,n)) < (v_{oct}(p-3) + 4v_{tet})n.$ 
(2)

Here  $v_{\rm oct}$  and  $v_{\rm tet}$  denote the volumes of the ideal octahedron and ideal tetrahedron respectively.



The authors refer to these bounds as asymptotically sharp because their ratio approaches 1, as p and n tend to infinity. Since the crossing number of W(p, n) is known to be (p-1)n, the volume bounds in the theorem imply

$$\lim_{p,n\to\infty}\frac{\mathrm{vol}(W(p,n))}{c(W(p,n))}=v_{\mathrm{oct}}\approx 3.66$$

Their study raises the general question of examining the asymptotic behaviour of other invariants of weaving knots.

#### Example W(3, n)



- In work of Mishra and R. Staffeldt(arXiv:1704.03982) attempted recursive method of relating the HOMFLY-PT of W(3, n).
- Myself with Mishra, and Staffeldt, we have computed a closed formula for Jone's, Alexander, and Khovanov polynomials(arXiv:2302.XXXX to appear). The Jones polynomial  $\mathcal{J}^{W(3,n)}(t)$  of W(3,n) is given by

$$\mathcal{J}^{W(3,n)}(t) = \sum_{k=-n}^{n} (-1)^{k} j[n,|k|] t^{k}, \text{ where, } j[n,k] = (-\delta_{(n-1,n-|k|)} + T[n,k])$$

$$T[n,k] = n \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{(n-k)}{2}} \frac{1}{n-i} \binom{n-i}{k+i} \binom{n-k-i-1}{i}$$

This gives us a neat description of Lucas number  $L_{2n}$  as

$$L_{2n} = \sum_{k=-n}^{n} |T[n, |k|],$$

#### Summary and Open problems



- ► We have explicitly worked out r=2 and r=3 colors for hybrid weaving knot W<sub>3</sub>(m, n) in the paper (arXiv:2103.10228) JHEP 06 (2021) 063 and Quasi-alternating knots arXiv:2202.09169(Nucl.Phys.B 980 (2022)).
- Quantum *R*-matrices approach for higher colors is straightforward but no closed form expression
- closed form for r-colored HOMFLY-PT for hyperbolic weaving knots W(p,n)
- Will help to address volume conjecture?

#### KNOT-QUIVER Correspondence

Piotr Kucharski, Markus Reineke, Marko Stosic, Piotr Sułkowski arXiv:1707.04017(Adv. Theor. Math. Phys. 23 (2019))

Any knot one can assign a quiver, more precisely, defined as

$$P_{r}(A,q) = \sum_{d_{1}+\ldots+d_{m}=r} (-1)^{\sum \gamma_{i}d_{i}} \frac{q^{\sum_{i,j}C_{i,j}d_{i}d_{j}}(q;q)_{r}}{\prod_{i=1}^{m}(q;q)_{d_{i}}} q^{\sum \alpha_{i}d_{i}} A^{\sum \beta_{i}d_{i}}.$$
 (3)

Here,  $C_{i,j}$  is quiver charge matrix.

Example: [r] colored super polynomial for trefoil (31) :

$$P_{[r]}(a,q,t) = \frac{a^{2r}}{q^{2r}} \sum_{k=0} [{r \atop k}] q^{2k(r+1)} t^{2k} [\prod_{l=1}^{k} (1 + a^2 q^{2(l-2)} t)]$$
$$P_{[1]}(a,q,t) = t^0 \frac{a^2}{a^2} + a^2 q^2 t^2 + q^4 t^3$$

Quiver representation C:





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## Knot-Quiver Correspondence for double twist knot

#### arXiv:2302.XXXX to appear

$$J_r(K(p,-m);q) = \sum_{d_1,d_2...d_{4mp+1}} (-1)^{\sum_i \gamma_i d_i} \frac{(q^2;q^2)_r}{\prod_{i=1}^{4mp+1} (q^2;q^2)_{d_i}} q^{\sum C^{K(p,m)} d_i d_j + \beta_i d_i}$$

#### The quiver charge matrix for an arbitrary p, m, takes the form

$$c^{K(-m,p)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{F_0}{F_1} & \frac{F_1}{U_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{F_1^T} & R_1^T & U_1 & T_1 & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_2} & \frac{F_2}{R_2} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{F_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{R_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{U_2} & \frac{F_2}{R_2} & \frac{F_2}{R_2} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{F_1^T} & \frac{F_1^T}{R_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{U_1} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{F_1^T} & \frac{F_1^T}{R_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{R_2^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{F_1^T} & \frac{F_1^T}{R_1^T} & \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_2^T}{R_2^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{F_1^T} & \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_2^T}{R_2^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{F_1^T} & \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_2^T}{R_2^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1^T} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1^T} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} & \frac{F_1}{T_1^T} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T} \\ \frac{F_1^T}{T_1^T$$

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#### **Future directions**



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