

# The dihedral cathedral

## 1. Review of BSBim and one-color calculus

BSBim for  $(W, S) = (S_2, \{s\})$ :

$$S_2 \subset R_{\alpha_s} \mapsto S_2 \subset R = R[\alpha_s] \text{ (deg } \alpha = 2)$$

$$\alpha_s \mapsto -\alpha_s \quad \alpha_s^k \mapsto (-\alpha_s)^k$$

Objects:  $BS(\underline{1}) = R$

(up to isom)  $BS(\underline{s}) = R \otimes_{R[\alpha_s]} R(1) = B_s$

$$BS(\underline{s}^k) = B_s \otimes \dots \otimes B_s$$

Morphisms: maps of  $R[\alpha_s]$ -bimodules of any shift degree

Monoidal structure:  $\otimes$ .

Now  $B_s$  is a Frobenius algebra object, meaning there are maps  $\mu, \eta, \delta, \varepsilon$ :

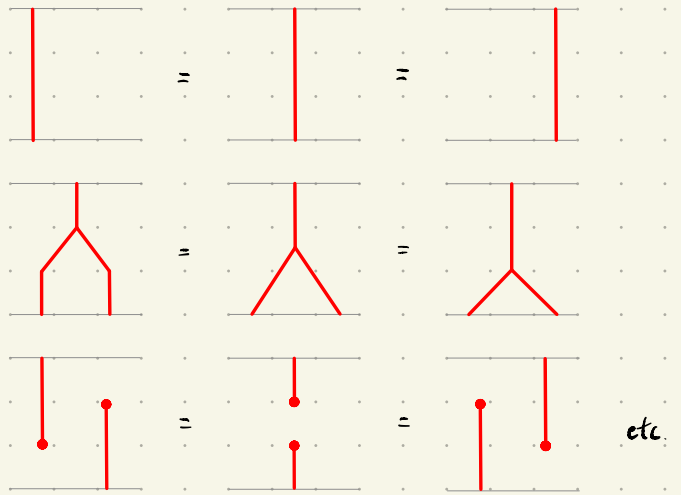


These satisfy the relations:

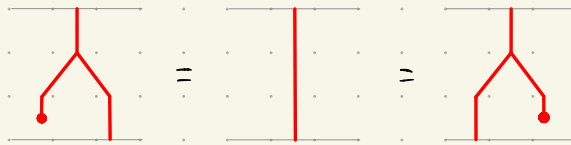
Axioms of strict monoidal category



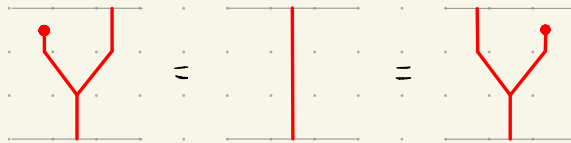
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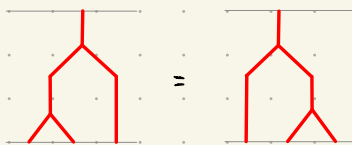
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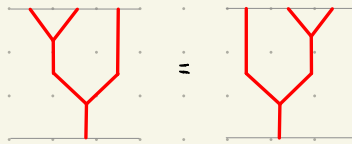
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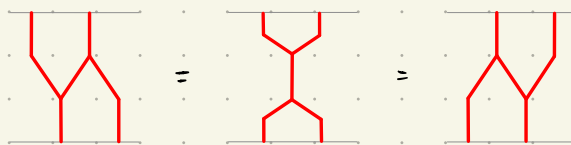
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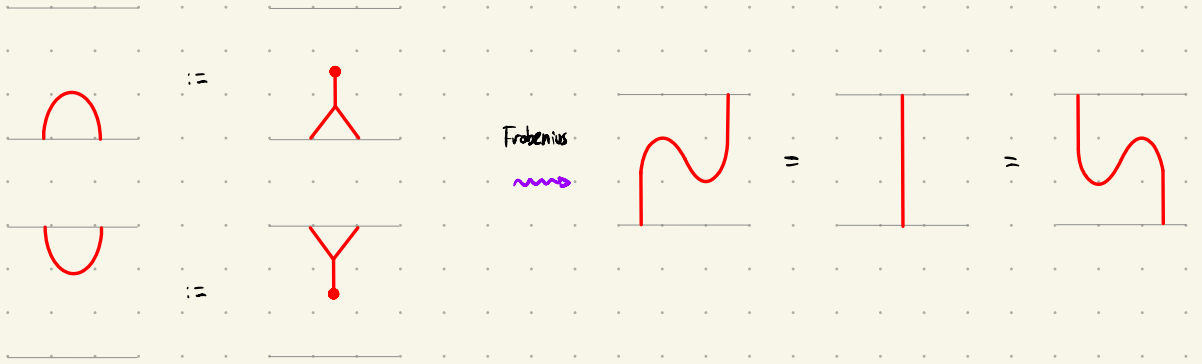
Coassociativity



Frobenius associativity



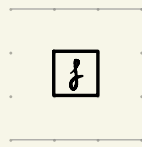
We define



Relations imply: isotopic diagrams represent equal morphisms.

For  $f \in R$ , we also have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R & & fh \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ R & & h \end{array} \rightsquigarrow$$



These satisfy:

Multiplication



$$\boxed{f} \boxed{g} = \boxed{fg}$$

Keyhole



$$\text{Keyhole } \boxed{f} = \boxed{2f}$$

Barbell



$$\text{Barbell} = \boxed{\alpha_s}$$

Fusion



$$\text{Fusion} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \boxed{\alpha_s} + \boxed{\alpha_s} \right)$$

Polynomial slide



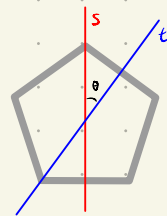
$$\text{Polynomial slide} = \boxed{f}$$

In fact, defining  $\mathcal{H}_{BS}(s)$  as the  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear category with objects  $\{ \bullet, \bullet, \dots, \bullet : k \geq 0 \}$  and morphisms as above, we have

$\mathcal{H}_{BS}(s) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{BSBim}(S_2, ts)$  is an equivalence of categories.

"one-color diagrammatic Hecke category"

Today: consider  $(W, S) = (D_{2m}, \{s, t\})$  (possibly  $m = \infty$ )



$$(\alpha_s, \alpha_t) = -\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$$

Dynkin diagram:  $\bullet \xrightarrow{m} \bullet$

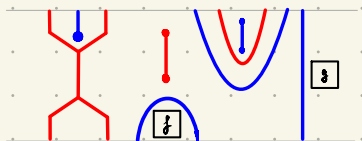
( $m=3 \Rightarrow A_2$ )

We define  $\mathcal{H}_{BS} = \mathcal{H}_{BS}(W, S)$  so that  $\mathcal{H}_{BS} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{BSBim}$  is an equivalence of categories.

Remark: technically, for  $D_n$  one should replace the geometric representation by some other realization  $\{h, \{\alpha_s, \alpha_t\}, \{\alpha_s, \alpha_t\}^{\vee}\}$  where  $\dim h \geq 3$  ( $=3$  suffices). Then  $R = \text{Sym}(h^{\vee})$ . When  $V_{\text{geom}}$  suffices,  $h = V_{\text{geom}}^*$ . The Demazure operator is defined as evaluation at  $\alpha_0^{\vee}$ .

## 2. Universal diagrams

Consider the diagrammatic category with objects  $\{ \bullet \bullet \bullet \dots \bullet \bullet \bullet \in \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \{ \bullet, \bullet \}^n \}$  and with morphisms coming from  $\mathcal{H}_{BS}(s)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_{BS}(t)$ , that is, morphisms like



These are called **universal diagrams**, and the resulting category is the "universal 2-color diagrammatic Hecke category". Denote this category by  $\mathcal{H}_{BS}^{\infty}(s, t)$ .

Theorem: The functor  $\mathcal{H}_{BS}^{\infty} \rightarrow \text{BSBim}$ , for  $(W, S)$  infinite dihedral, is an equivalence of categories.

Idea (same for all  $(W, S)$ )

Essentially surjective: obvious.

Full: it can be checked algebraically that every morphism of Bott-Samelson bimodules comes from a diagram (general case: Liebedinsky's right leaves)

Faithful: it suffices to show that Hom "dimensions" agree with sizes of (diagrammatic) basis of Hom spaces.

How to find these dimensions?

### 3. Interlude on Soergel's Hom formula.

Def. A standard bimodule is an  $R$ -bimodule of the form  $R_x$  for  $x \in W$ , where  $R_x = R$  with twisted action  $r \cdot m \cdot r' := r m x(r')$ .

- Remarks:
- $R_x \otimes R_y \cong R_{xy}$
  - $R_x = R \cdot 1 \cdot R$
  - $R_x$  is indecomposable
  - $\text{Hom}^*(R_x, R_y) = \begin{cases} R & x=y \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

Def.  $\text{StdBim}$  is the category of standard bimodules, their shifts and finite  $\oplus$ .

Rmk:  $[\text{StdBim}]_{\oplus} \cong \mathbb{Z}[v^{\pm}]W$

Recall the elements  $c_s = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_s \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \alpha_s)$ ,  $d_s = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_s \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \alpha_s)$ . Recall  $\{1 \otimes 1, c_s\}$ ,  $\{1 \otimes 1, d_s\}$  are basis for  $B_s$  as a left or right  $R$ -module. In  $R$ -gbim we have

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & R_s(-1) & \rightarrow & B_s & \xrightarrow{\mu} & R(1) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ & & 1 & \mapsto & d_s & & \\ & & & & f \circ g & \mapsto & g \end{array} \quad (\Delta)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & R(-1) & \rightarrow & B_s & \xrightarrow{\mu} & R_s(1) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ & & 1 & \mapsto & c_s & & \\ & & & & f \circ g & \mapsto & g \circ f \end{array} \quad (\nabla)$$

Proof: For  $(\Delta)$ , we need to check that the first map is well-defined. Now  $r \cdot m \cdot r' \mapsto f(r m s(r')) = r m s(r') d_s \stackrel{\text{computation in the first talk}}{=} r m d_s r'$ . The kernel of  $\mu$  is obviously spanned by  $\alpha_s \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \alpha_s$ .

The computation for  $(\nabla)$  is analogous, using  $f \cdot c_s = c_s \cdot f$ .

We thus have  $B_s = \frac{R(1)}{R_s(-1)}$ , a filtration with subquotients in  $\text{StdBim}$ . This gives "standard filtrations" for every Soergel bimodule:

Application: Filtration for  $B_s B_t$ :

$$B_s B_t = \frac{R(2)}{R_s \otimes R_t} = \frac{R(2)}{R_s R_t} \quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \text{order respects} \\ \text{Bruhat order} \end{array} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \Delta\text{-filtration}$$

$$R_s \otimes R_t = \frac{R(2)}{R_s(-1) \otimes R_t(-1)} = \frac{R(2)}{R_{st}(-2)}$$

Theorem (Soergel 2007): For a fixed enumeration of  $W$  respecting the Bruhat order, there exists a unique  $\Delta$ -filtration, and the graded multiplicities of each standard bimodule are indep. of the enumeration.

Example (continued)

$$\begin{array}{l} R(2) \\ R_s \\ R_t \\ R_{st}(-2) \end{array} \rightsquigarrow \begin{array}{l} h_1(B_s B_t) = 1 \cdot v^2 \\ h_s(B_s B_t) = 1 \\ h_t(B_s B_t) = 1 \\ h_{st}(B_s B_t) = 1 \cdot v^{-2} \end{array}$$

Now we can define  $ch_\Delta(B) = \sum_{x \in W} v^{l(x)} h_x(B) \delta_x$

Examples:

$$B_s = \frac{R(1)}{R_s(-1)} \rightsquigarrow \begin{matrix} h_s = v \\ h_{s^{-1}} = v^{-1} \end{matrix} \rightsquigarrow ch_\Delta(B_s) = v^1 \cdot v^{-1} \cdot \delta_s + v \cdot \delta_{s^{-1}} = \delta_s + v$$

$$B_s B_t = \frac{R(2)}{R_s R_t} \rightsquigarrow \begin{matrix} h_s = v^2 \\ h_{st} = 1 \\ h_{ts} = 1 \\ h_{s^{-1}t^{-1}} = v^{-2} \end{matrix} \rightsquigarrow ch_\Delta(B_s B_t) = v^2 v^{-2} \delta_{st} + v \delta_s + v \delta_t + v^2 = \delta_{st} + v \delta_s + v \delta_t + v^2$$

Remark:  $ch_\Delta(B_x) = ch_\nabla(B_x) \forall x \in W$ . Soergel's conjecture (now theorem) says  $ch(B_x) = b_x$

Back to Hom spaces

Theorem (Soergel 2007) Let  $B, B'$  be Soergel bimodules. Then the graded Hom  $\text{Hom}_{SBim}^\bullet(B, B')$  is free as a left graded  $R$ -module and as a right graded  $R$ -module, of graded rank  $(ch(B), ch(B'))$ .

Examples:

$$\text{rk Hom}^\bullet(B_s, R) = (b_s, 1) = E(\bar{b}_s \cdot 1) = E(\delta_s + v) = v \rightsquigarrow R \cdot \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{deg 1} \end{array}$$

$$\text{rk Hom}^\bullet(B_s, B_s) = (b_s, b_s) = (1, b_s^2) = (1, v b_s + v^{-1} b_s) = v^2 + 1 \rightsquigarrow R \cdot \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{deg 0} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{deg 2} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{rk Hom}^\bullet(B_s, B_t) = (b_s, b_t) = (1, b_s b_t) = v^2 \rightsquigarrow R \cdot \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{deg 2} \end{array}$$

$$\text{rk Hom}^\bullet(B_s B_t, B_t B_s) = (1, b_s b_t b_s b_t) = v^4 + 2v^2$$

$$stst + vst^2 + vst^2 + v^2 s^2 + v^2 st + v^2 s + v t st + v^2 (s + v^2 t^2 + v^3 t + v^2 st + v^3 t + v^3 s + v^4)$$

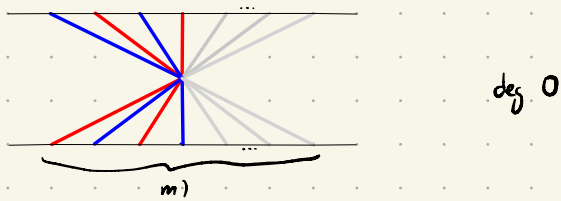
$$\rightsquigarrow R \cdot \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{deg 2} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{deg 2} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{deg 4} \end{array} \right\}$$

If  $m=2$  (ie. type  $A_2$ ) we have  $b_s b_t b_s b_t = (\delta_s + v)^2 (\delta_t + v)^2 = (v + v^{-1})^2 b_s b_t = (v + v^{-1})^2 \cdot (v^2 + v \delta_s + v \delta_t + \delta_{st})$

$$\rightsquigarrow v^4 + 2v^2 + 1$$

This suggests that we need a new morphism.

Def: Define the  $2m$ -valent morphism as:



Ex: for  $m=2$ , we have

Theorem: Defining  $H_{BS}$  as above, plus the  $2m$ -valent morphism, and imposing three relations that we will see later, we have an equivalence of categories  $H_{BS} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{BSBim}$  for  $(W, S)$  finite dihedral.

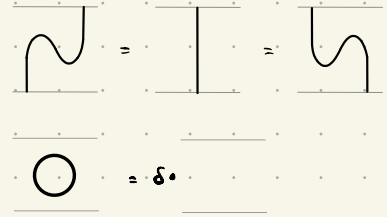
Next, we motivate the  $2m$ -valent vertex and the new relations.



#### 4. The two-color Temperley-Lieb category

Def: Temperley-Lieb monoidal category  $\mathcal{L}_S$  is given by:

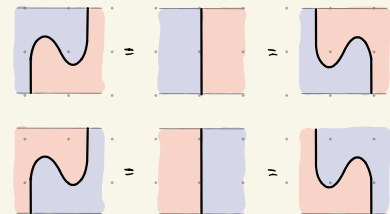
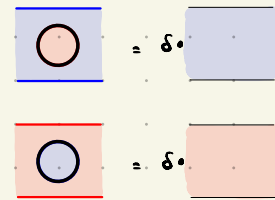
- Objects:  $\{ \bullet \dots \bullet \mid n \geq 0 \}$
- Morphisms:  $\mathbb{Z}[S^{-1}] \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{TL diagrams} \\ \text{(crossingless matchings)} \end{array} \right\}$ , subject to
- Monoidal structure: concatenation.



Remark: specializing to  $\delta = -(q + q^{-1})$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_S \cong \text{Fund}(U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2))$   
 $\delta = -2$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_S \cong \text{Fund}(\mathfrak{sl}_2 \mathbb{C})$

Def: 2-colored Temperley-Lieb 2-category  $2\mathcal{L}_S$  is given by:

- Objects:  $\{ -, - \}$
- 1-morphisms:  $\{ \bullet \dots \bullet \mid n \geq 0 \}$
- 2-morphisms:  $\mathbb{Z}[S^{-1}] \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{TL diagrams with colored regions} \\ \text{(crossingless matchings)} \end{array} \right\}$ , subject to



Vertical composition and horizontal composition as usual

Now specialize  $2\mathcal{L}_S$  to  $\delta = a_{sl} := -2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{\text{rank}}\right)$  ( $= -(q + q^{-1})$  for  $q = e^{2\pi i / \text{rank}}$ )  
 $= \partial_t(\alpha_s) = \partial_s(\alpha_t)$

Then we have a functor

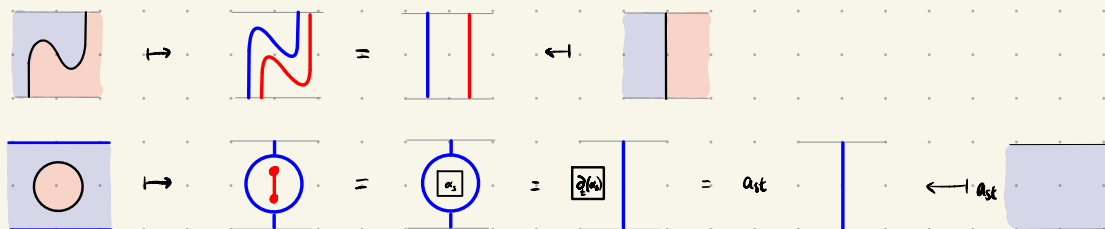
$$\Sigma: 2\mathcal{L}_{a_{sl}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}\mathcal{S}\mathcal{B}\text{im}$$

sending  $\text{red, blue} \mapsto$  "unique object"

$\bullet \dots \bullet \mapsto \mathcal{B}_s \otimes \mathcal{B}_t \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{B}_s$

$\text{TL diagram} \mapsto \text{BSBim diagram} \mapsto \varphi$  (this functor factors through  $\widehat{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{S}}$ )

Proof that this is well-defined:



Two similar observations:

- In  $\text{Fund}$ , we have an idempotent map  $V^{\otimes n} \rightarrow L(n) \hookrightarrow V^{\otimes n}$
- In  $\text{BSBim}$ ,  $w_n = \underbrace{st \dots s}_m$  is the longest element  $\Rightarrow B_s B_t \dots B_s \rightarrow B_{w_n} \hookrightarrow B_s B_t \dots B_s$



Both of these phenomena can be explained using Temperley-Lieb:






Denote  $TL_n = \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(\dots \otimes \mathbb{C} \otimes \dots)$

Prop (Jones-Wenzl elements) There is a unique element  $JW_n \in TL_n$  satisfying:

- Capping or cupping any two strands (when possible) sends the element to 0.
- The coefficient of  $\text{id}_n \in TL_n$  in  $JW_n$  is 1



Furthermore,  $JW_n$  is idempotent.

Examples  $JW_2 =$    $- \frac{1}{\delta}$  

$JW_3 =$    $+ \frac{\delta}{\delta^2-1}$    $+ \frac{\delta}{\delta^2-1}$    $+ \frac{1}{\delta^2-1}$    $+ \frac{1}{\delta^2-1}$  

There are entirely analogous 2-colored  $JW_n$ 's:

$JW_2 =$    $- \frac{1}{\delta}$  

Now its image in  $\mathcal{H}_{BS}^\infty$  is   $-\frac{1}{\text{act}}$   This is still an idempotent!

In fact mapping this to a morphism in  $\text{BSBim}$ , we have found  $B_s B_t B_s = B_s \oplus \text{Im}(JW)$   
 $= B_s \oplus B_{ts}$

Upshot: diagrammatics have provided us with the explicit map realizing  $B_{ts} \subseteq B_s B_t B_s$ !

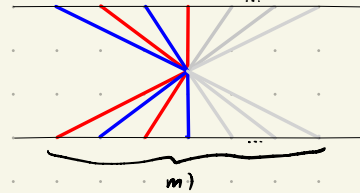
In fact, we have the following.

Theorem: Take a (reduced) expression  $w = \underbrace{st\dots s}_m$  with  $n < m \leq t$ . Then the image of the colored  $JW_m$  is an idempotent map  $BS(w) \rightarrow B_w$ .

Back to the 2m-valent morphism.

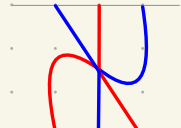
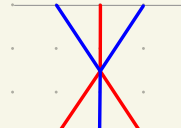
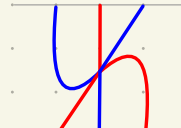
Notice that in  $\text{BSBim}$ ,  $\underbrace{sts\dots s}_m = \underbrace{tst\dots t}_m \Rightarrow$  this equals the longest element  
 $\Rightarrow B_{w_0} \cong B_s B_t \dots B_s$  and  $B_{w_0} \cong B_t B_s B_t \dots B_t$ ,

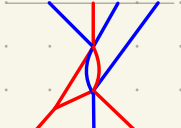
so we have  $B_{sts\dots s} \rightarrow B_{w_0} \leftarrow B_{tst\dots t}$ . This is the map that

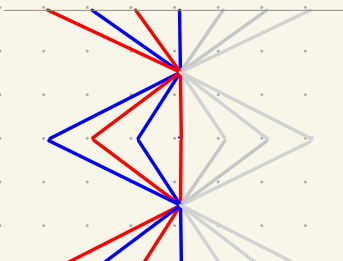



corresponds to.

What about the three relations?

Cyclicity:  =  =  (for all m, both parties, color swaps)

2-color associativity:  =  (for all m, both parties, color swaps)

Elias-Jones-Weald:  = 

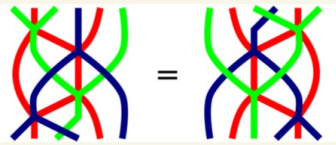
Theorem: these are enough.

## 6. A word on more colors.

One can play the same game for Coxeter groups with 3 generators. There are 4 possible Coxeter groups:

$A_3, B_3, A_1 \times I_2(m), H_3$ .

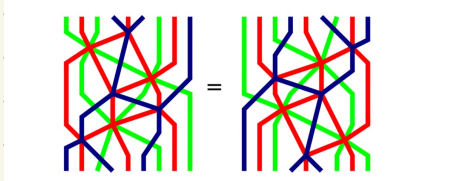
Type  $A_3$ :



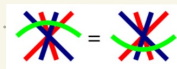
(Zamolodchikov relation)

analogously one has the following Zamolodchikov relation for  $B_3$ :

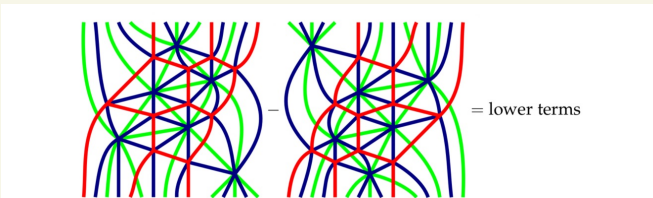
Type  $B_3$ :



Type  $A_1 \times I_2(m)$ :



Type  $H_3$ :

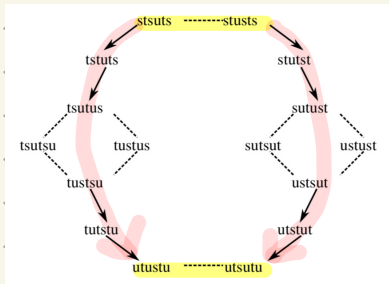


however, despite considerable effort, we have not been able to compute the lower terms which appear. The question of what these lower terms are could in principle be decided by computer, however the computation is impossible with our current algorithms and technology. This is the caveat mentioned earlier: we do not have a completely explicit presentation of the category  $\mathbb{B}SBim$  when  $W$  contains a parabolic subgroup of type  $H_3$ , knowing this Zamolodchikov relation only in the rough form above.

These relations would suffice. In fact 4-color relations are not needed!

Type  $A_3$ :

3 3  
a s t



Maps in  $SBim$  (explaining the Zamolodchikov relation)

Such cycles in Coxeter groups are made up of disjoint braid relations and  $Z$  relations from rank 3 parabolic. This doesn't mean morphisms with a fixed source and target are equal in  $H_{BS}$ , but making the right choices, they will be equal "mod lower terms".

Next: light leaves?