## Skein Theory for Affine ADE Subfactor Planar Algebras

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$\mathit{F} \subset \mathit{K}$ , fields	<b>subfactor</b> : an inclusion $N \subset M$ of
	von Neumann algebras with trivial centers
degree of the field extension	<b>index</b> of the subfactor $N \subset M$
[K : F]	[ <i>M</i> : <i>N</i> ]
the automorphism group	the <b>standard invariant</b> , a tensor
Gal(K/F)	category
	the <b>principal graph</b> describes some data of the standard invariant

The index, standard invariant, and principal graph are all invariants of the subfactor!

## Example: How does the principal graph encode data?

**Tensor category:** Category of finite-dimensional representations of  $S_3$ **Finite-dimensional irreducible representations of**  $S_3$ :

name	denoted by	dimension
trivial	V <sub>1</sub>	1
sign	$V_{-1}$	1
standard	V <sub>2</sub>	2

**Self-dual object:**  $V_2$ , i.e.,  $\overline{V_2} = V_2$ **Tensor decompositions:** 

**Principal Graph:** 

$$V_1 \otimes V_2 \cong V_2$$
$$V_{-1} \otimes V_2 \cong V_2$$
$$V_2 \otimes V_2 \cong V_1 \oplus V_{-1} \oplus V_2$$

$$V_{1} = V_{2} = V_{-1}$$
Index:  $||A||^{2}$  of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 
Eigenvalues of  $A^{*}A$ : 0, 1, 4  
 $\implies ||A|| = 2 \implies \text{ index is } 4$ 

#### Theorem (Jones 1983)

Let  $N \subset M$  be a subfactor. Then the index [M : N] must lie in the set

$$\{4\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right) | n \ge 3\} \cup [4,\infty]$$

and moreover, all the numbers in this set can be realized as the index of a subfactor.

Subfactors are classified up to index  $5\frac{1}{4}$ .

## Principal Graphs: A finer invariant of subfactors

#### Theorem (Popa 1994)

Principal graphs of index 4 subfactors are exactly the simply-laced affine Dynkin diagrams.



#### Theorem (Jones 1999)

Given a finite index subfactor, its standard invariant forms a (shaded) subfactor planar algebra.

Theorem (Popa 1995)

Given a (shaded) subfactor planar algebra  $\mathcal{P}$ , there is a subfactor whose standard invariant is  $\mathcal{P}$ .

#### The Kuperberg Program

Give a diagrammatic presentation by generators and relations for every subfactor planar algebra.

#### • Index < 4:

- *A<sub>n</sub>*: (Temperley-Lieb)
- D<sub>2n</sub>: Morrison, Peters, Snyder (2008)
- *E*<sub>6</sub>, *E*<sub>8</sub>: Bigelow (2009)
- Index > 4:
  - $A_{\infty}$ : (Temperley-Lieb)
  - Haagerup & its dual: Peters (2009)
  - Extended Haagerup & its dual: Bigelow, Morrison, Peters, Snyder (2009)
  - 2221 & its complex conjugate: Han (2010)
  - 3311 & its dual: Morrison and Penneys (2013)
  - ...ongoing research...

## Goal for Today's Talk:

Find presentations for the subfactor planar algebras of index 4 for the:



#### Goal 1: The Temperley-Lieb planar algebra $\mathcal{TL}$

The planar algebra  $\mathcal{TL}$  contains the algebras  $\mathcal{TL}_k, k \geq 0$ , over  $\mathbb{C}$ .



Figure: An element of  $\mathcal{TL}_3$ 



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## Planar Tangles



## Common Planar Tangles

Multiplication





• Trace  $\operatorname{tr}_k : \mathcal{TL}_k \to \mathcal{TL}_0$ 



• Tensor  $\otimes_{k,\ell} : \mathcal{TL}_k \otimes \mathcal{TL}_\ell \to \mathcal{TL}_{k+\ell}$ 



## General Planar Tangle



Associated linear map:  $Z_T : \mathcal{TL}_2 \otimes \mathcal{TL}_3 \otimes \mathcal{TL}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{TL}_1$ 

Theorem (Jones)

Any subfactor planar algebra of index  $n \ge 4$  contains a copy of  $T\mathcal{L}$ .

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#### Definition

#### A planar algebra is:

- a collection of vector spaces:  $\mathcal{P}_k$ ,  $k \ge 0$
- a rule that assigns to each planar tangle T, a linear map  $Z_T$  from the vector spaces associated to the inner squares to the vector space associated to the outer square such that:
  - linear maps compose in the same way planar tangles do

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• isotopy (rel the boundary) give the same maps

• the identity on 
$$\mathcal{P}_k$$
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## Subfactor Planar Algebra

 $\mathcal{TL}$  is a special type of planar algebra called a **subfactor planar algebra**, one of the most important properties being:

•  $\mathcal{TL}_0$  must be one-dimensional

#### Why is this a great property?

Any closed diagram evaluates:



and also this gives a that trace will be a sesquilinear form on  $\mathcal{P}_k$ :



## The Formal Definition of a Subfactor Planar Algebras

#### Definition

#### A subfactor planar algebra is a planar algebra with

- $\mathcal{P}_0$  being one-dimensional
- only spaces for discs with an even number of boundary points are nonzero
- the spherical property, i.e., for each  $D \in \mathcal{P}_1$ ,  $(\bigstar D = \bigstar)$



• an antilinear adjoint operation  $*: \mathcal{P}_k \to \mathcal{P}_k$  such that the sesquilinear form given by  $\langle x, y \rangle = \operatorname{tr}(x^*y)$  is positive definite. Further \* should be compatible with the horizontal reflection operation \* on planar tangles.



Give a planar algebra  ${\mathcal P}$  we can construct a tensor category  ${\mathcal C}_{{\mathcal P}}$  as follows:

- An object is a projection in one of the n-box spaces P<sub>n</sub> (i.e. π ∈ P<sub>n</sub> such that π<sup>2</sup> = π and π<sup>\*</sup> = π)
- Given two projections  $\pi_1 \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $\pi_2 \in \mathcal{P}_m$ , define  $\operatorname{Hom}(\pi_1, \pi_2)$  to be the space  $\pi_2 \mathcal{P}_{n \to m} \pi_1$ , i.e, diagrams like:
- The tensor product π<sub>1</sub> ⊗ π<sub>2</sub> agrees with ⊗ in the planar algebra (placing diagrams side-by-side)
- The dual  $\overline{\pi}$  of a projection is rotating it 180 degrees
- The trivial object  $\emptyset$  is the empty picture (which is a projection in  $\mathcal{P}_0$ )

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There is a special self-dual object |, a single strand.

#### $\mathsf{Mat}(\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}})$

Given the category  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$  we can define its matrix category:

- The objects of Mat(C<sub>P</sub>) are formal direct sums of objects of C<sub>P</sub> (which were the projections from all the box spaces)
- A morphism of Mat(C<sub>P</sub>) from A<sub>1</sub> ⊕ ... ⊕ A<sub>n</sub> → B<sub>1</sub> ⊕ ... ⊕ B<sub>m</sub> is an m-by-n matrix whose (i, j)th entry is in Hom<sub>C<sub>P</sub></sub>(A<sub>j</sub>, B<sub>i</sub>).
- An induced tensor product from  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{P}}$ :
  - Tensoring Objects: formally distribute, i.e.,  $(\pi \oplus \pi) \oplus (\pi \oplus \pi) \oplus (\pi \oplus \pi)$ 
    - $(\pi_1\oplus\pi_2)\otimes\pi_3=(\pi_1\otimes\pi_3)\oplus(\pi_2\otimes\pi_3)$
  - Tensoring Morphisms: use usual tensor product of matrices and the tensor product for  $\mathcal{C}_\mathcal{P}$  on matrix entries

## Projections of the Temperley-Lieb Planar Algebra

- The Jones-Wenzl projection  $f^{(k)} \in \mathcal{TL}_k$  is the unique projection in  $\mathcal{TL}_k$  with the property that  $f^{(k)}e_i = e_i f^{(k)} = 0, \forall i$   $\mathcal{TL}_k$  generators: 1=k
- *TL* is semisimple: every projection is a direct sum of minimal projections and for any pair of non-isomorphic minimal projections π<sub>1</sub> and π<sub>2</sub> we have that Hom(π<sub>1</sub>, π<sub>2</sub>) = 0

f<sup>(k)</sup> are actually minimal projections: Hom(f<sup>(k)</sup>, f<sup>(k)</sup>) is 1-dimensional:



• Two projections,  $\pi_1, \pi_2$ , are *isomorphic* if there exists  $g \in \operatorname{Hom}(\pi_1, \pi_2)$ , and  $g^* \in \operatorname{Hom}(\pi_2, \pi_1)$  such that  $gg^* = \pi_2$  and  $g^*g = \pi_1$ .

## Principal Graphs

- Principal graphs encode data of  $Mat(C_P)$
- For  $\mathcal{TL}$ , Wenzl's relation:  $f^{(k)} \otimes | \cong f^{(k+1)} \oplus f^{(k-1)}$ ,  $f^{(j)} \in \mathcal{TL}_i$  are the Jones-Wenzl projections
- A principal graph encodes this relationship of the minimal projections:



which is  $A_{\infty}$ !

• The **principal graph** of a semisimple planar algebra has vertices the isomorphism classes of minimal projections, and there are

dim Hom
$$(\pi_1 \otimes |, \pi_2)$$
 (= dim Hom $(\pi_1, \pi_2 \otimes |)$ )

edges between the vertices  $\pi_1 \in \mathcal{P}_n$  and  $\pi_2 \in \mathcal{P}_m$ .

• i.e., Let  $\pi$  be a minimal projection. Then  $\pi \otimes | \cong \bigoplus (neighbors of \pi in the principal graph)$  Find the subfactor planar algebras of index 4 associated with the  $\tilde{A}_{2n-1}$  Dynkin diagram:



#### What must happen?



#### Arrow Case: $P_2$ and $Q_2$



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#### Arrow Case: The rest of the vertices



## Theorem 1 (M.)



## $\mathcal{P}_0(U)$ is at least one-dimensional

Define  $f : \mathcal{P}_0(U) \to \mathbb{C}$  by the following algorithm.

- Define f(∅) = 1. Let D ∈ P<sub>0</sub>(U) be non-Temperley-Lieb. Use the relation (2) to ensure every strand is oriented.
- **2** Enumerate all the U and  $U^*$ . Say  $\{U_1, ..., U_\ell\}$  and  $\{U_1^*, ..., U_m^*\}$
- For each U<sub>i</sub> in P<sub>0</sub>(U) make a path, p<sub>i</sub> from the star on the outside of the diagram to the star for the U<sub>i</sub>. Do similarly for U<sub>i</sub><sup>\*</sup>.
- Define the star path length, K<sub>i</sub>,K<sup>\*</sup> = (#+)-(#+) crossed

for each  $U_i$  or  $U_i^*$ , respectively

• Calculate 
$$k = \sum_{i,j} (k_i - k_j^*) \mod(2n)$$
 Then define  $f(D) = \omega_n^k$ .



## $\mathcal{P}_0(U)$ is at most one-dimensional



## Theorem 2 (M.)



#### Proposition 1

There are at exactly 3n distinct subfactor planar algebras with principal graphs  $\tilde{A}_{2n-1}$ .

#### Proposition 2

There are exactly two distinct subfactor planar algebras with principal graphs  $\tilde{A}_{\infty}$ , i.e, the principal graphs are:



Find the subfactor planar algebra(s) of index 4 associated with the  $\tilde{D}_{\infty}$ . Dynkin diagram:



## Theorem 3 (M.)



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#### Proposition 3

The  $\tilde{D}_{\infty}$  subfactor planar algebra is a subplanar algebra of the arrow case of the  $\tilde{A}_{\infty}$  planar algebra.

# $| \mapsto | \quad S \mapsto \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow - \rightarrowtail - \widecheck \frown \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow$

## **Evaluation Algorithm**

#### Theorem (Bigelow and Penneys 2012)

If a planar algebra generated by  $S \in \mathcal{P}_n$  satisfies that:



is a linear combination of trains, i.e.,



• and  $S^2$  is a linear combination of S and  $f^{(n)}$ 

then any closed diagram can be evaluated using the jellyfish algorithm.



Find the subfactor planar algebra(s) of index 4 associated with the  $\tilde{E}_7$  Dynkin diagram:



## Theorem 4 (M.)

**1.** 
$$(=2 \ 2. \ *)^{=0} \ 3. \ (*)^{=} \ 3. \ (*)^{=} \ 4. \ S^{2} = S + 6f^{(4)} \ 5. \ (*)^{=} \ 5. \ (*)^{$$

$$= 0$$

**6.** For 
$$Q = \frac{2}{5}f^{(4)} + \frac{1}{5}S$$
,  $Q = \frac{2}{5}f^{(4)} + \frac{1}{5}S$ 

**8.** Defining 
$$\times i$$
  $(i \times i)$ , satisfies Reidemeister 2 & 3, &

7. For 
$$P = \frac{3}{5}f^{(4)} - \frac{1}{5}S$$
,  $P = \frac{3}{5}f^{(4)} - \frac{1}{5}S$ ,  $P = \frac{1}{5}$ 

• Prove the other direction of  $\tilde{E}_7$ .

Ind similar results for the other affine Dynkin diagrams:



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## Thank you!



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