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equivalences III

$sl_2$ -categorification:

- $E, F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  exact functors, biadjoint descend to  $sl_2$  action on  $K_0(\mathcal{A})$ .
- $\mathcal{A} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{A}_\lambda$  where  $K_0(\mathcal{A}_\lambda) = K_0(\mathcal{A})_\lambda$ .
- compatible actions of  $H_n^{aff}$  on  $E^\lambda$
- Goal: lift  $\Theta = \sum_{i, j, k \geq 0} (-1)^{i+k} f^{(i)} e^{(j)} f^{(k)}$

on  $K_0(\mathcal{A})$  to  $\Theta: \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A})$ .

Remark 1)  $H_n^{aff}$  is either affine degenerate or non-degenerate affine Hecke algebra.  
Even nil Hecke algebra (Rouquier).  
2) Cantis-Kamnitzer-Licata have version for triangulated categories.

What is  $E^\lambda / \mathbb{N}!$ ?

$$c_\lambda = \sum_{w \in S_n} \chi(w) \omega \in k[S_n] \cong H_n^{aff} \quad E^{(\lambda)} := c_\lambda E^\lambda \subseteq E^\lambda$$

$$c_{-\lambda} = \sum_{w \in S_n} \text{sgn}(w) \omega \in k[S_n] \cong H_n^{aff} \quad E^{-(\lambda)} := c_{-\lambda} E^\lambda \subseteq E^\lambda$$

Prop  $E^\lambda \cong \mathbb{N}! E^{(\lambda)} \cong \mathbb{N}! E^{-(\lambda)}$

proof  $\bigoplus_{0 \leq j_1 \leq \dots \leq j_n} x_1^{i_1} \dots x_n^{i_n} E^{(\lambda)} \cong E^\lambda$

and each summand is isomorphic to  $E^{(\lambda)}$  using the representation theory of  $H_n^{aff}$

Fix adjunction  $(E, F) \rightsquigarrow \text{End}(E^\lambda) \subseteq \text{End}(F^\lambda)^\Gamma$   
 $\rightsquigarrow$  action of  $H_n^{aff}$  on  $F^\lambda$

Remark: Recall:  $\frac{k[x]}{x^2} \xrightarrow{\text{res}} k[x] - \text{mod}$

$$\frac{k[x]}{x^2} - \text{mod} \xrightarrow{\text{res}} k - \text{mod} \xrightarrow{\text{ind}} \frac{k[x]}{x^2} - \text{mod}$$

$\swarrow$  ind                       $\swarrow$  res

not a (strong) or  $sl_2$ -categorification.  
 (It is a weak -  $sl_2$ -categorification)  
 $E^2$  is indecomposable!

Rickard's complex  $\Theta$

$$0 \rightarrow V_{-\lambda} = \sum_{d \geq 0} (-1)^d e^{(\lambda+d)} f^{(d)} \rightarrow V_{-\lambda} \rightarrow V_{\lambda}$$

Define:  $\Theta(\lambda) : \mathcal{D}^b(A_{-\lambda}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^b(A_{\lambda})$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Theta(\lambda) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \Theta(\lambda) \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ E^{(\lambda+d)} F^{(d)} & & E^{(\lambda+d-1)} F^{(d-1)} \\ \cap & & \cap \\ E^{\lambda+d} F^d & & E^{\lambda+d-1} F^{d-1} \\ \parallel & \nearrow & \text{id}_{E^{\lambda+d-1}} \circ E \circ \text{id}_{F^{d-1}} \\ E^{\lambda+d-1} F^{d-1} & & \end{array}$$

↑ counit of adjunction

$E$  needs to be compatibly chosen with  $(E, F) \cong \text{End}(E) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{End}(F)$

Thm A •  $\Theta(\lambda)$  is a complex because  $(c_2 \cdot c_2 = 0)$ .

- $\Theta(\lambda) : \mathcal{D}^b(A_{-\lambda}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}^b(A_{\lambda})$
- $[\Theta] = 0$ , where  $\Theta = \bigoplus_{\lambda} \Theta(\lambda)$

proof (sketch)

$$V = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} V(n) \quad (= \text{sum of } n \text{ 'red' submodules of } \text{dim } n+1)$$

$\Rightarrow$

does not lift to

$A = \mathcal{A}(A, A(n))$  (example in prev. lecture)

Instead  $0 \subseteq V(\leq 0) \subseteq V(\leq 1) \subseteq \dots \subseteq V$ ,  
 $V(\leq n) = \bigoplus_{i \leq n} V(i)$  does lift

$0 \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\leq 0) \subseteq \mathcal{A}(\leq 1) \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{A}$

$\mathcal{A}(\leq n) = \{M \in \mathcal{A} \mid [M] \in V(\leq n)\}$

sub-prop.  $\mathcal{A}(\leq n)$  is a Serre subcategory,  
 i.e. closed under kernels, cokernels and extensions.

$$\mathcal{A}(n) := \mathcal{A}(\leq n) / \mathcal{A}(\leq n-1)$$

$sl_2$ -categorification on  $\mathcal{A}$  restricts to one on  $\mathcal{A}(\leq n)$  and passes to  $\mathcal{A}(n)$

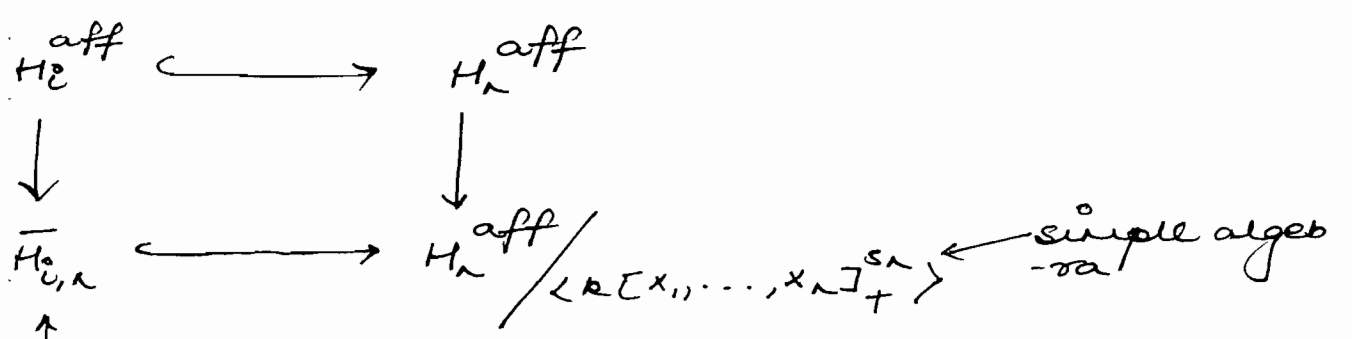
This reduces to isotypic case.

sub-~~B~~THM Suppose  $V = K_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathcal{A})^{\circ}$  is the sum of  
 irred.  $sl_2$ -mods of dim  $n+1$ . Then  $\Theta(\mathcal{A})$  has  
 cohomology concentrated in degree  $n = m = \frac{n-1}{2}$   
 and  $H^m(\Theta(\mathcal{A})) : \mathcal{A}_{-\lambda} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{A}_{\lambda}$  and

$$\Theta(\mathcal{A}) : \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A}_{-\lambda}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}) \quad \text{"shift by } m \text{"}$$

can make further reduction to case:  $V$  is  
irreducible and  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is semisimple. Then  
 of dim  $n+1$

there is a unique such  $sl_2$ -categorification.  
 can be constructed as follows



↑  
 finite dimensional  
 symmetric algebra  
 w/ unique simple.

↑  
 dominant sing.  
 variety

$\mathcal{A} = \bigoplus_{0 \leq i \leq n} \overline{H}_{i,n} \text{-mod}$ ,  $E = \text{ind}$ ,  $F = \text{res}$   
 is an  $\mathcal{S}_2$ -categorification in which  
 $\bullet X$  and  $T^2$  "are obvious".

Aside:

$$\overline{H}_{i,n} = \text{Mat}_{i!} (H^*(\text{Gr}(i;n)))$$

Defn  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  abelian categories. An equivalence

$F: \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{B})$  is perverse if there exist

$$0 = \mathcal{A}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{A}_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{A}_n = \mathcal{A}$$

$0 = \mathcal{B}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{B}_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{B}_n = \mathcal{B}$  and  
 $p: \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i$  are Serre  
 subcategories and

- $F$  restricts to  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{A}_i}^b(\mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}_i}^b(\mathcal{B})$   
 $\uparrow$   
 cohomology in  $\mathcal{A}_i$

- $F[-p(i)]$  induces  $\mathcal{A}_i / \mathcal{A}_{i-1} \simeq \mathcal{B}_i / \mathcal{B}_{i-1}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A}) / \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{A}_{i-1}}^b(\mathcal{A}) & \xrightarrow{F[-p(i)]} & \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{B}) / \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}_{i-1}}^b(\mathcal{B}) \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 \mathcal{A}_i / \mathcal{A}_{i-1} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{B}_i / \mathcal{B}_{i-1}
 \end{array}$$

The  $\Theta: \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}^b(\mathcal{A})$  (in an  $\mathcal{S}_2$ -categorification) is perverse w.s.t.

$$\mathcal{A}_i = \{x \in \mathcal{A} \mid E^i x = 0\}; \quad \mathcal{B}_i = \{x \in \mathcal{B} \mid F^i x = 0\} \\
 p(i) = 1-i$$