

*Wondering about
an open-closed correspondence*

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Plan:

- Recall A_∞ -algebras and their typical properties
- Relation to field theory
- Other homotopy algebras
- Open-closed correspondence

- On what I study recently (Homological mirror symmetry)

Def. [A_∞ -algebra (Stasheff'63)]

$(A, \mathfrak{m} := \{m_k\}_{k \geq 1})$ is an A_∞ -algebra \Leftrightarrow

$A = \bigoplus_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} A^r$: \mathbb{Z} -graded vector space,

$\mathfrak{m} := \{m_n : A^{\otimes n} \rightarrow A\}_{n \geq 1}$: linear maps of degree $|m_n| = (2 - n)$
satisfying the A_∞ -relations:

$$0 = \sum_{k+l=n+1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \pm m_k(a_1, \dots, a_j, \\ m_l(a_{j+1}, \dots, a_{j+l}), a_{j+l+1}, \dots, a_n) ,$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, where $a_i \in A^{|a_i|}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

The A_∞ -relations for $n = 1, 2, 3$:

for $m_1 = d$, $m_2 = \cdot$, $x, y, z \in V$:

$$i) \quad d^2 = 0 ,$$

$$ii) \quad d(x \cdot y) = d(x) \cdot y + (-1)^{|x|} x \cdot d(y) ,$$

$$iii) \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot z - x \cdot (y \cdot z) = d(m_3)(x, y, z).$$

$i) \Leftrightarrow (A, d)$ forms a complex.

$ii) \Leftrightarrow$ Leibniz rule of d w.r.t. the product \cdot .

$iii) \cdot$ is associative **up to homotopy**.

In particular, if $m_3 = 0$, the product \cdot is strictly associative.

An A_∞ -algebra (A, \mathbf{m}) with $m_3 = m_4 = \cdots = 0$ is a **DG algebra**.

An A_∞ -algebra (A, \mathbf{m}) with $m_1 = 0$ is called **minimal**.

An Example of minimal A_∞ -algebra

A generated by $e^0 = id, e^2, e^5$

nontrivial A_∞ -product:

$$m_2(e^0, e^2) = m_2(e^2, e^0) = e^2, \quad m_3(e^2, e^2, e^2) = e^5$$

Def. Given two A_∞ -algebras (A, \mathbf{m}) and (A', \mathbf{m}') , an A_∞ -**morphism** $f : (A, \mathbf{m}) \rightarrow (A', \mathbf{m}')$ is a collection of degree $(1 - k)$ multilinear maps $\mathbf{f} := \{f_k : A^{\otimes k} \rightarrow A'\}_{k \geq 1}$ s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i \geq 1} \sum_{k_1 + \dots + k_n = n} \pm m'_i(f_{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes f_{k_i})(a_1, \dots, a_n) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i+1+j=k \\ i+l+j=n}} \pm f_k(\mathbf{1}^{\otimes i} \otimes m_l \otimes \mathbf{1}^{\otimes j})(a_1, \dots, a_n) \end{aligned}$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Note: For $n = 1$: $m'_1 f_1 = f_1 m_1 \Leftrightarrow$

$f_1 : (A, m_1) \rightarrow (A', m'_1)$ forms a chain map.

Def. $f : (A, \mathfrak{m}) \rightarrow (A', \mathfrak{m}')$ is called an A_∞ -**(quasi)-isomorphism** iff $f_1 : (A, m_1) \rightarrow (A', m'_1)$ is a (quasi)-isomorphism.

Note that A_∞ -quasi-isomorphisms define an equivalence relation.

Important theorems:

Minimal model theorem (Kadeishvili'83)

For any A_∞ -algebra (A, \mathfrak{m}) , there exists an A_∞ -algebra $(H(A), \mathfrak{m}')$ and an A_∞ -quasi-isomorphism $(H(A), \mathfrak{m}') \rightarrow (A, \mathfrak{m})$.

Note that $\mathfrak{m}' = \{m'_1 = 0, m'_2, m'_3, \dots\}$. Such an A_∞ -algebra $(H(A), \mathfrak{m}')$ is called a **minimal model** of (A, \mathfrak{m}) .

★ Minimal models of (A, \mathfrak{m}) are unique up to A_∞ -isomorphisms on $H(A)$.

More generally ...

Homological perturbation theory (HPT) (1982~)

(Kadeishvili, Gugenheim, Lambe, Stasheff, Huebschmann,...)

For an A_∞ -algebra (A, \mathfrak{m}) ,

strongly deformation retract (SDR) data is

$$(V, d) \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\iota} \\ \xleftarrow{\pi} \end{array} (A, m_1) , \quad h : A^r \rightarrow A^{r-1}$$

$$\text{s.t. } m_1 h + h m_1 = id_A - \iota \circ \pi, \quad \pi \circ \iota = id_V.$$

Given SDR data, there exists an A_∞ -algebra (V, \mathfrak{m}') with $m'_1 = d$ and ι, π lift to A_∞ -quasi-isomorphisms.

(\exists an explicit construction using **Feynman graphs.**)

Relation to field theory

- cyclic A_∞ -algebra $(A, \mathfrak{m}, \omega)$

$$\iff \text{action } S = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n+1} \omega(\Phi, m_n(\Phi, \dots, \Phi))$$

satisfying classical BV master eq. $(S, S) = 0$

- $(V, \mathfrak{m}', \omega')$ obtained by HPT \iff effective field theory of S on V
- the (cyclic) minimal model \iff on-shell scattering amplitudes

(cf. H.K' 02, 07 on classical open SFTs)

(Inspired by K. Fukaya's lectures in Japan)

Other homotopy algebras:

- L_∞ -algebra (cf. Lada-Stasheff'92)

m_2 corresponds to a Lie bracket. This satisfies the Jacobi identity up to homotopy m_3 .

- C_∞ -algebra (= homotopy commutative A_∞ -algebra)
(Kadeishvili, Markl, ...)

- OC_∞ -algebra (=OCHA) (K-Stasheff'06, cf. E.Hoefel'12):

O=open, C=closed

mixture of A_∞ -algebra and L_∞ -algebra

Relation to string (field) theory

A_∞ -algebra \Leftrightarrow open string theory (Gaberdiel-Zwiebach'97, etc)

L_∞ -algebra \Leftrightarrow closed string theory (Zwiebach'92)

OC_∞ -algebra \Leftrightarrow open-closed string theory (Zwiebach'98)

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extract the classical part of the action

satisfying the quantum **BV master eq.**

Open-closed correspondence:

An OC_∞ -algebra (which includes an A_∞ -algebra A to an L_∞ -algebra L) gives us an L_∞ -morphism (K-Stasheff'06)

$$f : L \rightarrow (C(A^{\otimes \bullet}, A), d_{Hoch}, [,]_G)$$

(*Hoch* = Hochschild, G = Gerstenhaber)

For each given field theory on the world sheet, we obtain f .

(cf. Poisson-sigma model \rightarrow Kontsevich's L_∞ -quasi-isomorphism which solves the deformation quantization problem

(Cattaneo-Felder'98))

Wondering...

- For the bosonic open-closed SFT, is \mathfrak{f} an L_∞ -quasi-isomorphism ?

(Zwiebach'92: Interpolating SFTs may be useful.)

- For the bosonic classical open SFT $(A, \mathfrak{m}, \omega)$, what is the L_∞ minimal model of the DGLA $(C(A^{\otimes \bullet}, A), d_{Hoch}, [,]_G)$?

If \mathfrak{f} is an L_∞ quasi-isomorphism, then this should be

the on-shell scattering amplitudes of tree closed strings!

$\Rightarrow (C(A^{\otimes \bullet}, A), d_{Hoch}, [,]_G)$ (with an appropriate cyclicity)

is a closed SFT !!

Homological mirror symmetry

$$\{\text{symplectic mfd. } M\} \xleftrightarrow{\text{Mirror Symmetry}} \{\text{complex mfd. } \check{M}\}$$

Homological mirror symmetry is a homological (or categorical) formulation of mirror symmetry. This claims an equivalence

$$\text{Tr}(Fuk(M)) \simeq D^b(\text{coh}(\check{M}))$$

(of triangulated categories) where

- $Fuk(M)$ is the Fukaya A_∞ category of Lagrangians in M ,
- $D^b(\text{coh}(\check{M}))$ is the derived category of coherent sheaves on \check{M} ,

★ Kontsevich-Soibelman'00 's proposal to obtain the equivalence

$$\mathrm{Tr}(Fuk(M)) \rightarrow D^b(\mathrm{coh}(\check{M})) \quad :$$

Apply HPT to a DG category \mathcal{C}' ,

$$f: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}' ,$$

so that

- \mathcal{C}' generates $D^b(\mathrm{coh}(\check{M}))$
- \mathcal{C} is a full subcategory $\mathcal{C} \subset Fuk(M)$.

Reformulated so that we can proceed this idea explicitly (H.K'09,14)

It actually works well for

- $M = \mathbb{R}^2$ (H.K'09)
- $M = T^2$ (H.K'11, 19 preprint)
- \check{M} for some toric Fano : work in progress