

Formal enlargements of A_∞ categories.

We wish to enlarge the Fukaya category for a couple of reasons.

1. To make it a triangulated category, so that we can do homological algebra "in it"
2. To understand in what sense this category may be generated by some collection of objects.

Recall that in ordinary category theory, a category \mathcal{C} has a canonical enlargement

$$\hat{\mathcal{C}} := \text{Fun}(\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}, \text{Set}) \quad (\text{a.k.a. "Presheaves on } \mathcal{C}\text{"})$$

For any object $M \in \text{Ob } \mathcal{C}$, there is a functor

$$M = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-, M) : \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

Called a representable functor (represented by M)

The assignment $M \mapsto M = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-, M)$
extends to a functor

$$\mathcal{R} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{C}}$$

which is fully faithful. \mathcal{R} is the Kaneda embedding.
It allows us to regard \mathcal{C} as a subcategory of $\hat{\mathcal{C}}$.

Constructions in category theory are often formulated by saying that a certain object represents a certain functor.

Given $F : \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$, a representation of F is a pair (Z, α) where $Z \in \text{Ob } \mathcal{C}$ and $\alpha : \mathbb{Z} := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(-, Z) \rightarrow F$ is a natural isomorphism, i.e., an isomorphism in $\widehat{\mathcal{C}}$.

Example: given objects Z_0, Z_1 in \mathcal{C} , let $F : \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Set}$ be the functor

$$F(X) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Z_0) \times \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Z_1)$$

(with natural action on morphisms)

An object that represents F (if it exists), is called "the" product $Z_0 \times Z_1$.

In the A_{∞} setting, the natural thing to do is to replace Set with the DG category Ch of cochain complexes over k , and consider the category of A_{∞} functors $\widehat{A} = \text{Fun}_{A_{\infty}}(A, \text{Ch})$ for a given A_{∞} category A .

We shall opt for an equivalent framework of A_{∞} -modules over A .

Def Let $(A, \{\mu_A^d\}_{d \geq 1})$ be an A_{∞} category. An A_{∞} -module M consists of:

- For each $X \in \text{Ob } A$, a graded k -vector space $M(X)$
- Structure maps

$$\mu_M^d : M(X_{d-1}) \otimes_{\text{hom}_A(X_{d-2}, X_{d-1})} \cdots \otimes_{\text{hom}_A(X_0, X_1)} M(X_0) [2-d] \rightarrow M(X_d)$$

Satisfying the following variant of the A_∞ -associativity eqns.

$$\sum (-1)^{\cancel{d}} \mu_M^{n+1} (\mu_M^{d-n}(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_{n+1}), a_n, \dots, a_1) \\ + \sum (-1)^{\cancel{d}} \mu_M^{d-m+1}(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, \mu_A^m(a_{n+m}, \dots, a_{n+1}), a_n, \dots, a_1) = 0$$

$$\cancel{d} = \sum_{j=1}^n (\deg(a_j) - 1)$$

The first equation says $\mu_M^1 \circ \mu_M^1 = 0$, so $M(X)$ is a cochain complex

For each $a \in \text{hom}_A(X_0, X_1)$, $\mu_M^2(-, a) : M(X_1) \rightarrow M(X_0)$
is a cochain map (up to sign conventions)

Passing to cohomology, $X \mapsto H(M(X))$ defines a functor

$H(A)^{op} \rightarrow \text{graded vector spaces}$.

The collection of all A_∞ -modules over A , $\text{Mod}(A) =: \mathbb{Q}$
forms an A_∞ (even DG) category.

$\text{hom}_A^P(M_0, M_1)$ consists of collections of maps indexed
by d -tuples of objects of A , $(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{d-1})$

$$t^d : M_0(X_{d-1}) \otimes \text{hom}_A(X_{d-2}, X_{d-1}) \otimes \dots \otimes \text{hom}_A(X_0, X_1)$$

$$\rightarrow M_1(X_0)[P-d+1]$$

$$(\mu_{\mathbb{Q}}^1 t)^d(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1)$$

$$= \sum (-1)^t \mu_{M_1}^{n+1}(t^{d-n}(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_{n+1}), a_n, \dots, a_1)$$

$$+ \sum (-1)^t t^{n+1} (\mu_{M_0}^{d-n}(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_{n+1}), a_n, \dots, a_1)$$

$$+ \sum (-1)^t t^{d-m+1} (b, a_{d-1}, \dots, \mu_M^m(a_{n+m}, \dots, a_{n+1}), a_n, \dots, a_1)$$

$$(\mu_{\mathbb{Q}}^2(t_2, t_1))^d(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1)$$

$$= \sum (-1)^t t_2^{n+1} (t_1^{d-n}(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_{n+1}), a_n, \dots, a_1)$$

$$t = \deg(a_{n+1}) + \dots + \deg(a_{d-1}) + \deg(b) - d + n + 1$$

$$\mu_{\mathbb{Q}}^d = 0 \quad \text{for all } d \geq 3.$$

The Koeneda embedding now takes the form of an $A\alpha$ -functor

$$\mathcal{L}: A \rightarrow \text{mod}(A) = \mathbb{Q}$$

It sets $y \in \text{ob } A$ to $\mathcal{L}(y) = y$ given by

$$(y(x) = \text{hom}_A(x, y), \quad \mu_y^d = \mu_A^d).$$

The first component $\mathcal{L}' : \text{hom}_A(y_0, y_1) \rightarrow \text{hom}_{\mathbb{Q}}(y_0, y_1)$ sends c to the map

$$(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1) \mapsto \mu_A^{d+1}(c, b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1)$$

We can generalize ϑ' to a map, for any $A\infty$ -module M :

$$\lambda : M(Y) \rightarrow \text{hom}_{\mathbb{Q}}(Y, M)$$

$$\lambda(c)^d(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1) = m_M^{d+1}(c, b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Analogue in ordinary category theory} \\ \text{Nat}(\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Q}}(-, Y), F) \simeq FY \\ \alpha \longmapsto \alpha_Y(1_Y) \end{array} \right\}$$

Lemma (Seidel p. 30) λ is a quasi-isomorphism

Corollary ϑ' is cohomologically full and faithful.

Thus $\vartheta' : A \rightarrow \text{mod}(A) = \mathbb{Q}$ is a fully faithful embedding in the $A\infty$ -sense.

Let $M \in \text{Ob } \mathbb{Q}$ be an A -module. A representation for M is a pair $(Y, [+])$ where $Y \in \text{Ob } A$ and $[+] : Y \rightarrow M$ is an isomorphism in $H^0(\mathbb{Q})$.

Equivalently, there is a $c \in M^0(Y)$ such that

$$(i) \quad m_M^1(c) = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad [+] = [\lambda(c)]$$

(iii) for each $X \in \text{Ob } A$ the map

$$\text{hom}_A(X, Y) \rightarrow M(X), \quad b \mapsto (-1)^{\deg(b)} m_M^2(c, b)$$

is a quasi-isomorphism.

Direct sum Given A_∞ -modules M_0 and M_1 ,
their direct sum has cochain complexes

$$(M_0 \oplus M_1)(X) = M_0(X) \oplus M_1(X)$$

with obvious structure maps.

If $Y_0, Y_1 \in \text{Ob } A$, we can ask if $Y_0 \oplus Y_1$ is representable by an object of A . If it is we denote that object by $Y_0 \oplus Y_1$.

Tensor product by cochain complex Let $(Z, d_Z) \in \text{Ob Ch}$
be a cochain complex and let M be an A_∞ -module over A

We define $Z \otimes M$ by

$$(Z \otimes M)(X) = Z \otimes M(X)$$

$$\mu_{z \otimes M}^1(z \otimes b) = (-1)^{\deg(b)-1} d_Z(z) \otimes b + z \otimes \mu_M^1(b)$$

$$\mu_{z \otimes M}^d(z \otimes b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1) = z \otimes \mu_M^d(b, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1)$$

If $Y \in \text{Ob } A$, an object that represents $Z \otimes Y$ is denoted $Z \otimes Y$.

Shift this is the special case of the above where

$$Z = k[\sigma]$$

$$Z \otimes M = M(\sigma) \quad \text{and} \quad Z \otimes Y = Y(\sigma)$$

We have $\text{Hom}_{H(A)}(Y_0, Y_1[\sigma]) \cong \text{Hom}_{H(A)}(Y_0, Y_1)[\sigma]$

$$\text{Hom}(Y_0[\sigma], Y_1)[\sigma] \cong \text{Hom}_{H(A)}(Y_0, Y_1)$$

Cones let Y_0, Y_1 be objects of A and $c \in \text{hom}_A^0(Y_0, Y_1)$ be a degree two cocycle $\mu_A^1(c) = 0$.

The abstract mapping cone is $\mathcal{C} = \text{Cone}(c) \in \text{ob } \mathcal{Q}$

$$\mathcal{C}(X) = \text{hom}_A(X, Y_0)[1] \oplus \text{hom}_A(X, Y_1)$$

$$\mu_{\mathcal{C}}^d((b_0, b_1), a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1)$$

$$= (\mu_A^d(b_0, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1), \mu_A^d(b_1, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1) + \mu_A^{d+1}(c, b_0, a_{d-1}, \dots, a_1))$$

An object of A that represents \mathcal{C} is denoted $\text{Cone}(c)$.

* Remark: $\text{Cone}(c)$, if it exists, is determined up to canonical isomorphism in $H^0(A)$.

However, if we change c to c' such that $[c] = [c']$ in $H^0(A)$, the objects $\text{Cone}(c)$ and $\text{Cone}(c')$ are NOT canonically isomorphic. (but are isomorphic).

This lack of canonicity for cones in the cohomology categories is one of the deficiencies of the classical theory of triangulated categories, which the theory of DG and A ∞ categories was intended to correct.

$\mathcal{C} = \text{Cone}(c)$ is constructed so as to fit into a triangle in $H(\mathcal{A})$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & c & \\ y_0 & \xrightarrow{\hspace{2cm}} & y_1 \\ \uparrow [i] & & \downarrow [i] \\ \mathcal{C} & & \end{array}$$

where $i'(b_i) = (0, (-1)^{\deg(b_i)} b_i)$ $i^d = 0$ for $d \geq 2$
 $\pi'(b_0, b_1) = (-1)^{\deg(b_0)-1} b_0$ $\pi^d = 0$ for $d \geq 2$

(The morphism $[\pi]$ has degree 1)

An exact triangle in $H(\mathcal{A})$ is any diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} y_0 & \xrightarrow{\hspace{2cm}} & y_1 \\ \uparrow [c_1] & & \downarrow [c_2] \\ \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{\hspace{2cm}} & y_2 \end{array}$$

that, after applying the Yoneda embedding, $H(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow H(\mathcal{A})$ becomes isomorphic to such a "cone triangle".

Def A Aos -category \mathcal{A} is triangulated if it is nonempty ($\text{Ob } \mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset$) and

1. every morphism $[c_1]: y_0 \rightarrow y_1$ in $H^0(\mathcal{A})$ may be completed to an exact triangle
2. for any object y , there is \tilde{y} s.t. $\tilde{y}[1] \cong y$ in $H^0(\mathcal{A})$

Condition 1 implies several things

If $Y \in \text{Ob } A$ and $[1_Y] \in \text{Hom}_{H^0(A)}(Y, Y)$

Then the cone of $[1_Y]$ exists in A by 1.
But this is a null object

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & \xrightarrow{[1_Y]} & Y \\ & \nwarrow [1] & \downarrow \\ 0 & & 0 \end{array}$$

in the sense that $\text{Hom}_{H(A)}(Y, 0) = 0 = \text{Hom}_{H(A)}(0, Y)$

Then $\text{cone}(0 : Y \rightarrow 0) = Y[1]$, so (1) implies that shifts exist, and 2 says that the shift $[1]$ is an autoequivalence of A .

But then consider $\text{Cone}(Y_0[-1] \xrightarrow{\circ} 0 \xrightarrow{\circ} Y_1)$

this is $Y_0 \oplus Y_1$, so direct sums exist.

Example $\mathcal{Q} = \text{mod}(A)$ is always triangulated.

Prop If A is triangulated $A\text{-category}$, then $H^0(A)$ is triangulated in the classical sense of Verdier.

If $F : A \rightarrow B$ is an $A\text{-functor}$ between triangulated $A\text{-categories}$, then $H^0(F)$ is an exact functor (preserves distinguished triangles)

Let \mathcal{B} be a triangulated A_∞ -category and $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$ a full subcategory. The triangulated subcategory generated by \mathcal{A} is the smallest full subcat $\tilde{\mathcal{B}} \subset \mathcal{B}$ such that

- $\mathcal{A} \subset \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$
- $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ is triangulated
- $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ is closed under isomorphism
(if $X_0 \cong X_1$ in $H^0(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$, then $X_0 \in \text{Ob } \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \Leftrightarrow X_1 \in \text{Ob } \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$)

If $\tilde{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}$ then we say \mathcal{A} generates \mathcal{B} .

A triangulated envelope for \mathcal{A} is a pair (\mathcal{B}, F)

where \mathcal{B} is triangulated, $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is cohomologically full and faithful, and $F(\text{Ob } \mathcal{A})$ generates \mathcal{B} .

Prop Triangulated envelopes always exist and are unique up to A_∞ -quasi-equivalence

We denote by \mathcal{A}^{tr} a triangulated envelope.
Then $H^0(\mathcal{A}^{\text{tr}})$ is independent of the choice of envelope up to equivalence.

$D(\mathcal{A}) = H^0(\mathcal{A}^{\text{tr}})$ is the derived category of \mathcal{A}
it is a triangulated K -linear category.

One construction of \mathcal{A}^{tr} is to take $d: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} = \text{mod}(\mathcal{A})$ and take $\mathcal{A}^{\text{tr}} = \text{subset of } \mathbb{Q} \text{ generated by Yoneda modules } [Y] \text{ of } Y \in \text{Ob } \mathcal{A}$.

A more concrete construction is often preferred.

Twisted complexes.

I. Additive enlargement ΣA

$Ob \Sigma A =$ formal direct sums $X = \bigoplus_{i \in I} V^i \otimes X^i$

where I is a finite set, $X^i \in Ob A$,
and V^i are finite-dim graded vector spaces.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hom}_{\Sigma A} \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I_0} V_0^i \otimes X_0^i, \bigoplus_{j \in I_1} V_1^j \otimes X_1^j \right) \\ = \bigoplus_{i,j} \text{hom}_k(V_0^i, V_1^j) \otimes \text{hom}_A(X_0^i, X_1^j) \end{aligned}$$

An element is written $(a^{ji})_{\substack{j \in I, \\ i \in I_0}}$, with $a^{ji} = \sum_k \phi^{jik} \otimes x^{jik}$

$\mu_{\Sigma A}^d$ combines μ_A^d with composition of $\text{hom}(V_k^i, V_{k+1}^j)$
(with appropriate Koszul signs)

$$A \hookrightarrow \Sigma A \quad \text{as } I = \{\star\} \quad V^* = k \quad X^* = X$$

A pre-twisted complex is a pair (X, δ_X)

where $X \in Ob A$ and $\delta_X \in \text{hom}_{\Sigma A}^1(X, X)$

That is, $X = \bigoplus_{i \in I} V^i \otimes X^i$ $\delta_X = (\delta_X^{ji})$

$$\delta_X^{ji} = \sum_k \phi^{jik} \otimes x^{jik} \quad \text{and} \quad \deg(\phi^{jik}) + \deg(x^{jik}) = 1$$

A "naive subcomplex" is a choice of subspace $\tilde{V}^i \subset V^i$ for each i such that δ_X restricts to an endomorphism of $\bigoplus_{i \in I} \tilde{V}^i \otimes X^i$.

A pre-twisted complex is a twisted complex if the following conditions are satisfied.

(a) There is some filtration of X by naive subcomplexes $X = F^0 X > F^1 X > \dots > F^n X = 0$ such that the operator on $F^k X / F^{k+1} X$ induced by δ_X is zero. (δ_X is strictly lower triangular)

(b) δ_X satisfies the A α -Maure-Cartan equation

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \mu_{\Sigma A}^r \underbrace{(\delta_X, \dots, \delta_X)}_r = 0$$

(which is a finite sum because of (a))

The twisted complexes are the objects of an A α -category $Tw A$. The operations involve "inserting δ in all possible ways"

$$a_1 \in \text{hom}_{Tw A}((X_0, \delta_{X_0}), (X_1, \delta_{X_1})) = \text{hom}_{\Sigma A}(X_0, X_1)$$

$$\mu_{Tw A}^1(a_1) = \sum_i \mu^{1+i_0+i_1} \underbrace{(\delta_{X_1}, \dots, \delta_{X_1}, a_1, \delta_{X_0}, \dots, \delta_{X_0})}_{i_1 \quad i_0}$$

$$\mu_{\text{Tw}A}^d(a_d, \dots, a_1) = \sum_{i_0, i_1, \dots, i_d} \mu_{\Sigma A}^{d+i_0+\dots+i_d} \left(\underbrace{\delta_{X_d}, \dots, \delta_{X_1}}_{i_d}, a_d, \right.$$

$$i_{d-1} \left(\delta_{X_{d-1}}, \dots, \delta_{X_1}, a_{d-1}, \right.$$

$$\vdots$$

$$i_1 \left(\delta_{X_1}, \dots, \delta_{X_1}, a_1, \right)$$

$$i_0 \left(\delta_{X_0}, \dots, \delta_{X_0} \right)$$

The Maurer-Cartan equation implies that these operations satisfy the A_∞ -associativity equations.

Thm: $\text{Tw}A$ is a triangulated envelope of A .

Remark: In the DG setting ($\mu_A^d = 0$ for $d \geq 3$)
the Maurer-Cartan equation makes sense
without the strictly-lower-triangular assumption.

Drinfeld showed that this version is not an invariant of A up to quasi equivalence. That is, it is possible to have A quasi equivalent to B but the "two-sided twisted complexes of A " is not quasi equivalent "two-sided twisted complexes of B ".

Mapping cone in $\text{Tw}A$: let $c \in \text{hom}_{\text{Tw}A}(Y_0, Y_1)$ be closed degree 0.

$$\text{Cone}(c) = \left(C = Y_0[1] \oplus Y_1, \delta_C = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{Y_0}[1] & 0 \\ -c[1] & \delta_{Y_1} \end{pmatrix} \right)$$