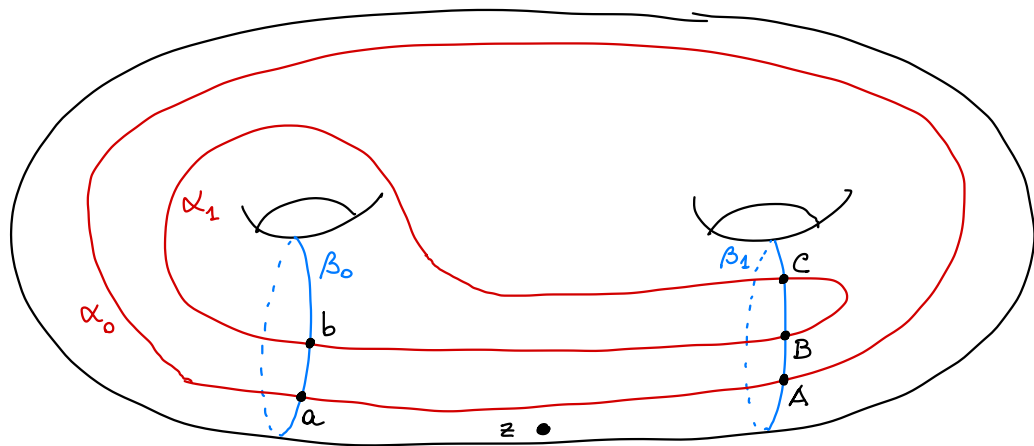


# Lecture 3: curved DGAs, $A_\infty$ -modules, and type-D structures

## ① Motivation from bordered Floer homology


Consider the Heegaard diagram (for  $S^3$ )



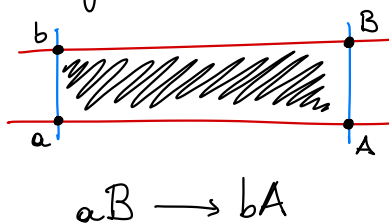
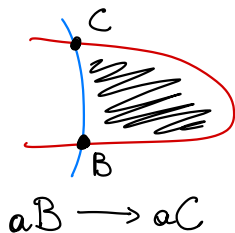
### Heegaard Floer complex

• Generators:  $\underline{x} = (x_0, x_1)$  w/  $x_i \in \alpha_i \cap \beta_{\sigma(i)}$  for some  $\sigma \in S_2$

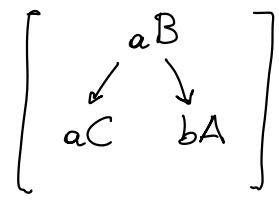
3 generators:  $aB, aC, bA$

• Differential: a holom. disc  gives an arrow  $\underline{x} \rightarrow \underline{y}$

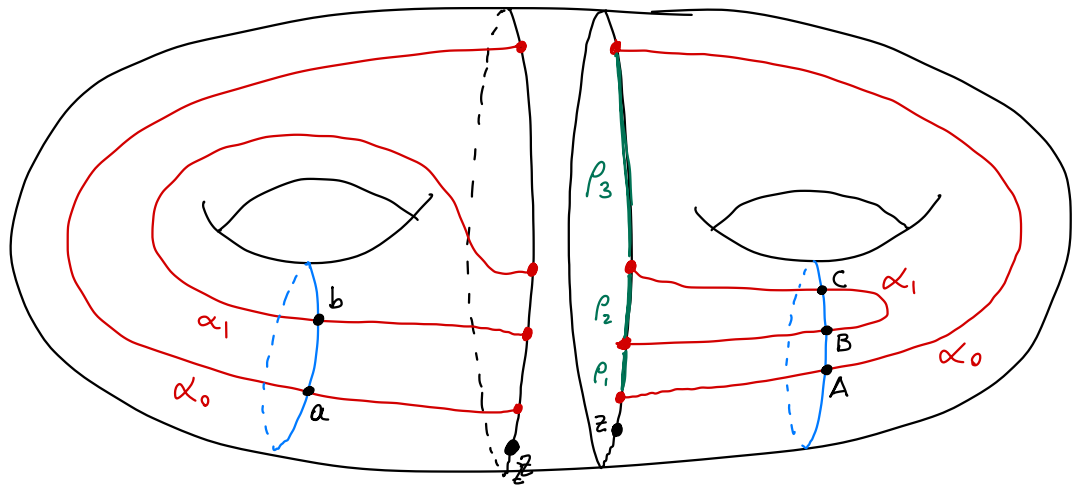
In our case we have two kinds of hol. discs:



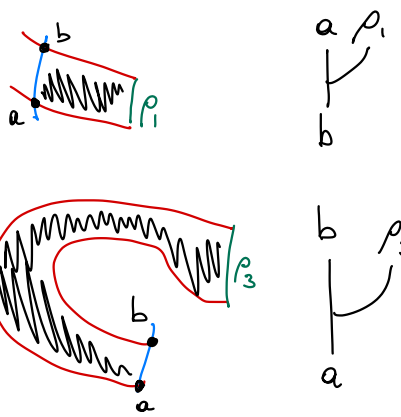
$\leadsto$  differential:  $\partial(aB) = aC + bA$   
 $\partial(aC) = 0$   
 $\partial(bA) = 0$



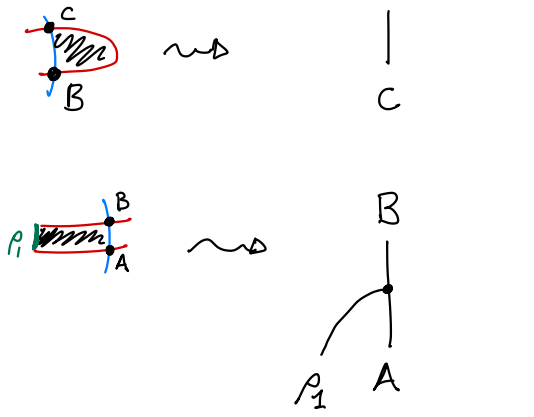
Let's compute the complex in a different way:



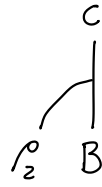
Generators:  $a_{l_0}, b_{l_1}$   
"Differential"



Generators:  ${}_1A, {}_0B, {}_0C$   
"Differential"



There are two more rectangles:



" $A_\infty$ -module"  $M$

"Type-D structure"  $N$

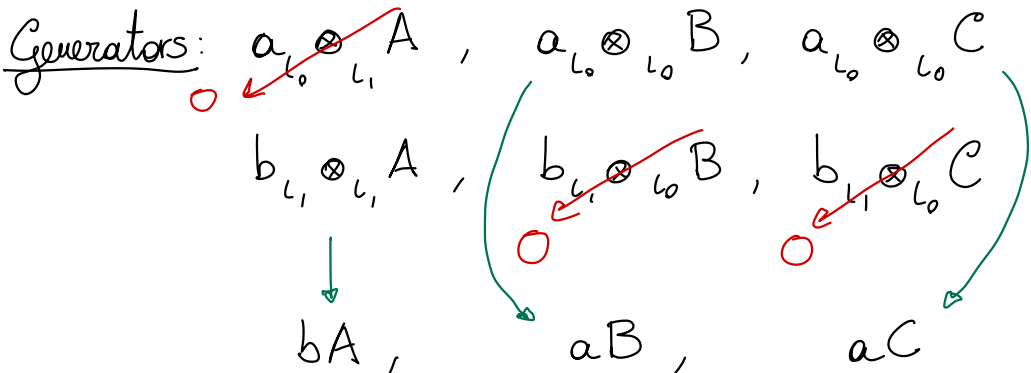
$M$  and  $N$  are over a strands algebra  $A$ .

Note that  $A$  isn't exactly the torus algebra we have already seen, because here we use the matching

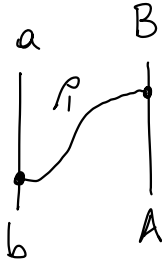
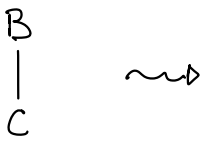


instead of .

Flow to re-build the full complex:  $M_A \boxtimes N$



# Differential:



No other pictures match exactly, so we don't get any other arrow in the complex.

## ② Curved DGAs

Def: A CURVED DIFFERENTIAL  $(G, \lambda)$ -GRADED K-ALGEBRA is

$(A, \mu_0, \mu_1, \mu_2)$ , where  $\mu_i: A^{\otimes i} \rightarrow A$ ,  
 (Annotations:  $\mu_0$  is a cycle,  $\mu_1$  is multiplication,  $\mu_2$  is curvature,  $\mu_0$  is differential,  $\mu_1$  is central element)

subject to the following structure relations:

$$\mathcal{R}_0) \quad \mu_1 \circ \mu_0 = 0 \quad (\mu_0 \text{ is a cycle})$$

$$\mathcal{R}_1) \quad \mu_2(\mu_0, a) + \mu_2(a, \mu_0) + \mu_1 \circ \mu_1(a) = 0$$

(i.e.,  $\partial^2 \neq 0$ , but  $\partial^2 a = [a, \mu_0]$ )

$$\mathcal{R}_2) \quad \mu_1(\mu_2(a, b)) + \mu_2(\mu_1(a), b) + \mu_2(a, \mu_1(b)) = 0$$

(Leibniz's rule)

$$\mathcal{R}_3) \quad \mu_2(\mu_2(a, b), c) + \mu_2(a, \mu_2(b, c)) = 0 \quad (\text{associativity})$$

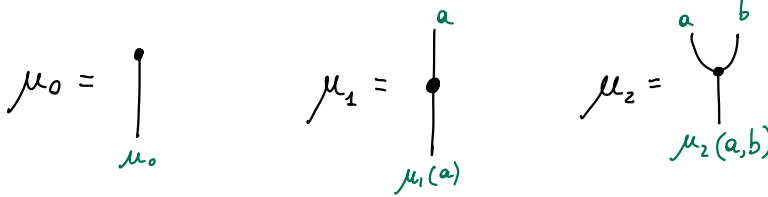
Moreover,  $\mathcal{A} = \bigoplus_{g \in G} \mathcal{A}_g$  and

•)  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{A}_{1-2}$

•)  $\mu_1: \mathcal{A}_g \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{\lambda^{-1}g}$

•)  $\mu_2: \mathcal{A}_g \otimes \mathcal{A}_{g'} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{g.g'}$

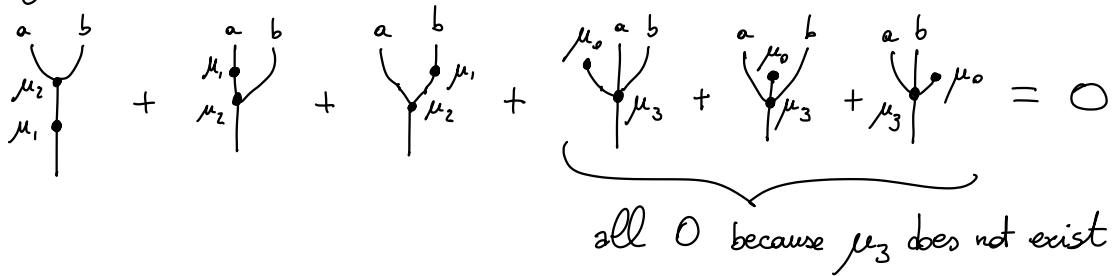
How structure relations are produced:



these exist for  
covered  $\mathcal{A}_0$ -alg.  
 $\mu_3 = \dots$

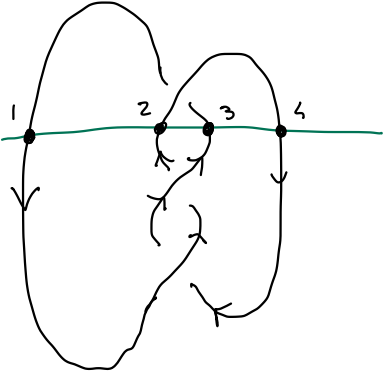
The relation  $\mathcal{R}_n$  is obtained by summing over all possible compositions of two such operations that take  $n$  inputs in total.

e.g.  $\mathcal{R}_2$



$\leadsto \mu_1(\mu_2(a, b)) + \mu_2(\mu_1(a), b) + \mu_2(a, \mu_1(b)) = 0$

Example: curved DGA associated to a slice of Knot projection



Orientation gives a function

$$M: \{1, 4\} \longrightarrow \{2, 3\}$$

$$1 \longmapsto 2$$

$$4 \longmapsto 3$$

Def: A MATCHING is a bijection  $M: A \longrightarrow B$ , where  $A \cup B = \{1, \dots, 2n\}$ ,  $|A| = |B| = n$ .

Def: The curved DGA  $\mathcal{B}_*(n, M)$  is defined as:

- ) the algebra  $\mathcal{B}(2n, n)$
- )  $\mu_0 = \sum_{i \in A} U_i \cdot U_{M(i)}$
- )  $\mu_1 \equiv 0$
- ) the gradings are induced by the set  $S = \text{Im}(M)$ .

RK:  $\mu_0$  central, so  $\partial^2 = 0$  and  $\partial^2 = [\mu_0, -]$  are equivalent.

RK:  $\lambda = -1$  for Maslov grading, 0 otherwise

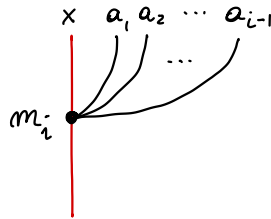
### ③ Curved $A_\infty$ -modules & type-D structures

Def: A CURVED  $A_\infty$ -MODULE  $M$  over a curved DGA  $\mathcal{A}$

is a (right)  $R$ -module  $M$  with  $R$ -module maps

ring of idempotents  $\nearrow$

$$m_i: M \otimes_R \overbrace{\mathcal{A} \otimes_R \cdots \otimes_R \mathcal{A}}^{i-1 \text{ times}} \longrightarrow M \quad \forall i \geq 1$$



subject to structure relations:

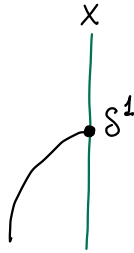
$$\sum \left( \begin{array}{c} x \quad a_1 \quad \cdots \quad a_{i-1} \quad a_i \quad \cdots \quad a_{n-1} \\ \bullet \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \\ m_i \\ \bullet \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \\ m_j \end{array} \right) + \sum \left( \begin{array}{c} \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \mu_i \\ \bullet \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \\ m_j \end{array} \right) + \sum \left( \begin{array}{c} \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \mu_0 \\ \bullet \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \bullet \\ m_{n+1} \end{array} \right) = 0$$

(structure relation for  $n$  inputs)

$$\sum_{i+j=n+1} m_i (m_j (x \otimes a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{j-1}) \otimes a_j \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{n-1}) + \sum_{i+j=n+1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{n-j} m_i (x \otimes a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{\ell-1} \otimes \mu_j (a_\ell \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{\ell+j-1}) \otimes a_{\ell+j} \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{n-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^n m_{n+1} (x \otimes a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{j-1} \otimes \mu_0 \otimes a_j \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{n-1}) = 0$$

Def: A CURVED TYPE-D STRUCTURE  $X$  over  $\mathcal{A}$  is a (left)  $R$ -module w/ an  $R$ -module hom.

$$\delta^1: X \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes_R X$$

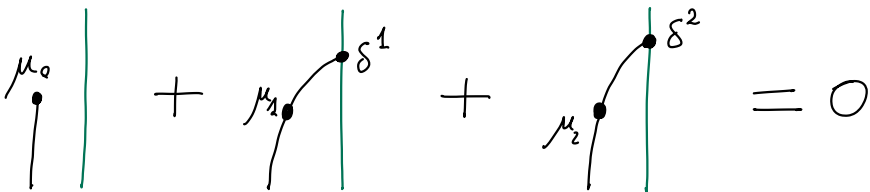


subject to a structure relation.

Def:  $\delta^i: X \longrightarrow \overbrace{\mathcal{A} \otimes_R \mathcal{A} \otimes_R \dots \otimes_R \mathcal{A}}^{i \text{ times}} \otimes X$

$$\delta^i := \underbrace{id_{\mathcal{A} \otimes_R \dots \otimes_R \mathcal{A}}}_{i-1 \text{ times}} \otimes \delta^1$$

Type-D structure relation:



$$\mu_0 \otimes id_X + (\mu_1 \otimes id_X) \circ \delta^1 + (\mu_2 \otimes id_X) \circ (id_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \delta^1) \circ \delta^1 = 0$$



# ④ Box tensor product

Some notation:

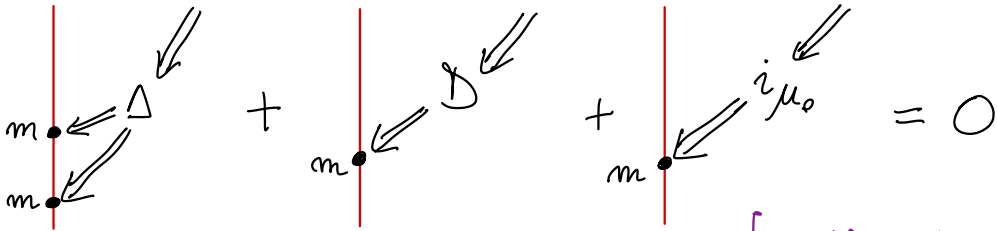
$$\Delta(a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i) \otimes (a_{i+1} \otimes \dots \otimes a_n)$$

$$D(a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{n-i+1} a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_{\ell-1} \otimes \mu_i(a_{\ell} \otimes \dots \otimes a_{\ell+i-1}) \otimes a_{\ell+i} \otimes \dots \otimes a_n$$

$$i_\omega(a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_n) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_1 \otimes \dots \otimes a_i \otimes \omega \otimes a_{i+1} \otimes \dots \otimes a_n$$

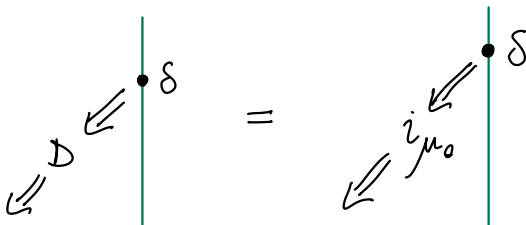
$$m := m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + \dots, \quad \delta := 1 + \delta^1 + \delta^2 + \dots$$

Curved  $A_\infty$ -module structure relation:



[Simplify by defining  
 $cD := D + i_{\mu_0}$ ]

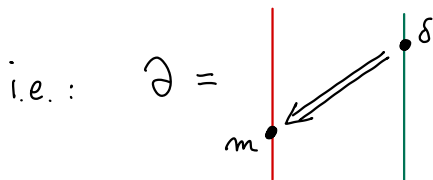
Curved type-D structure relation:



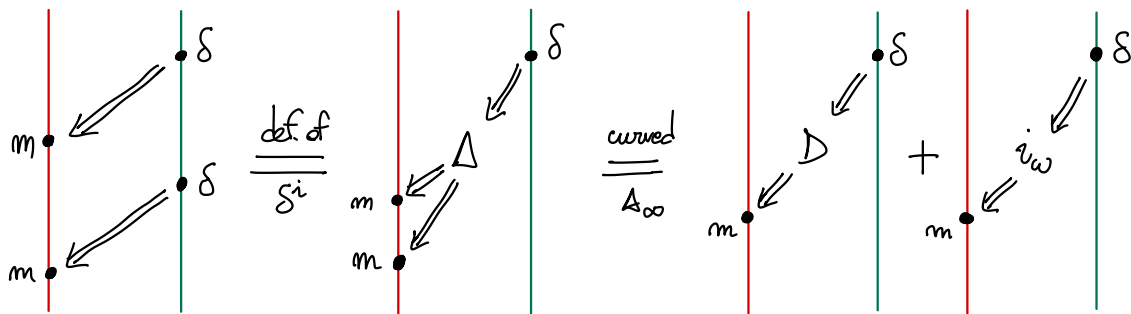
[EX: Prove it.  
 Hint: Fix # of outputs,  
 select 1 output,  
 and apply str. relat.]

Def: Given an  $A_\infty$ -module  $M$  & a type-D structure  $N$  such that  $m_i \equiv 0$  for  $i \gg 0$  or  $\delta^i \equiv 0$  for  $i \gg 0$ , we define the BOX TENSOR PRODUCT  $M \boxtimes_A N$  as  $M \otimes_R N$ , with differential

$$\partial = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (m_{j+1} \otimes \text{id}_N) \circ (\text{id}_M \otimes \delta^j)$$



RK:  $\partial^2 = 0$ .



$= 0$   
by definition of type-D structure □

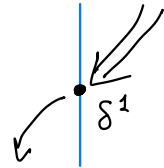
# ⑤ DA bimodules

Def: A CURVED DA BIMODULE OVER  $A-B$   ${}^A X_B$  is an  $R_A-R_B$  bimodule, with maps for  $i \geq 1$

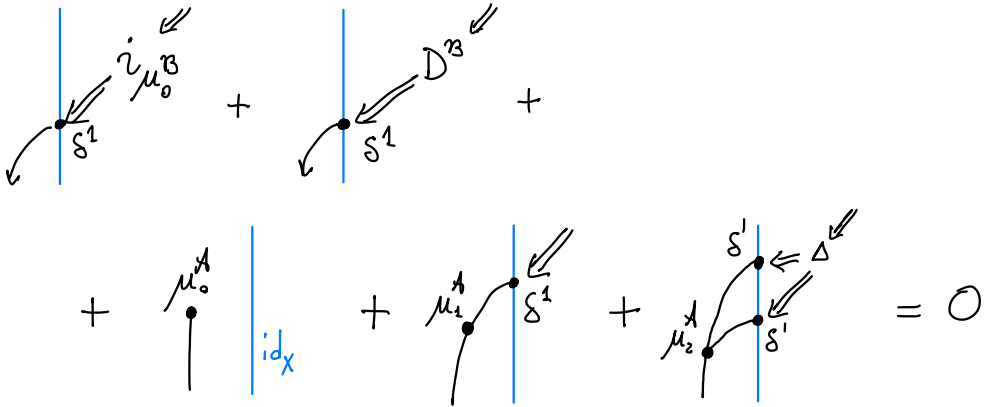
$$\delta_i^1 : X \otimes_{R_B} \underbrace{B \otimes_{R_B} B \otimes \dots \otimes B}_{i-1 \text{ times}} \longrightarrow A \otimes_{R_A} X$$

subject to a structure relation.

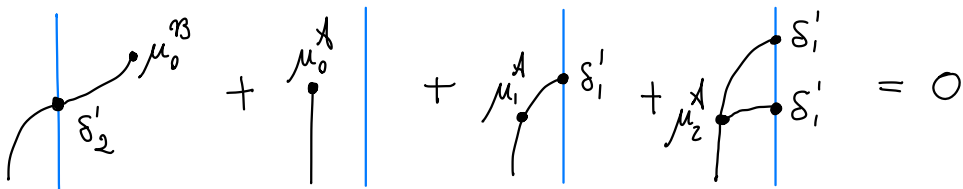
Notation:  $\delta^1 = \delta_1^1 + \delta_2^1 + \dots$



## Curved DA relations



More explicitly, the 0 input relation is



while the  $n$  input relation, for  $n > 0$ , is

Def: BOX TENSOR PRODUCTS (variations)

Let  ${}^A X_B$ ,  ${}^B Y_C$  be DA bimodules,

$M_A$  an  $A_\infty$ -module

${}^B N$  a type-D structure

Then we can define 3 variations of the box tensor product:

$$M_A \boxtimes {}^A X_B$$

$A_\infty$ -module /  $B$

$${}^A X_B \boxtimes {}^B N$$

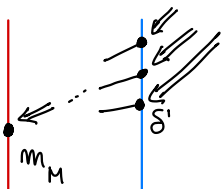
type-D /  $A$

$${}^A X_B \boxtimes {}^B Y_C$$

DA  $A$ - $C$  bimodule

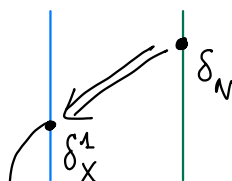
$$M \otimes_{R_A} X$$

$m :=$



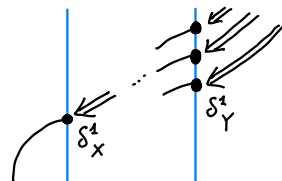
$$X \otimes_{R_B} N$$

$\delta^1 :=$



$$X \otimes_{R_B} Y$$

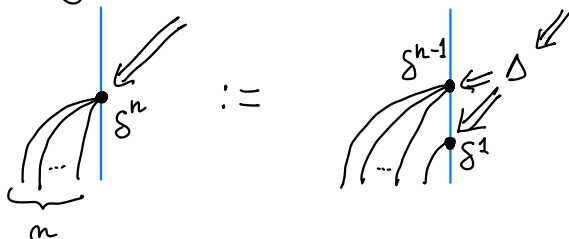
$\delta^1 :=$



How to show that we get the correct structure?

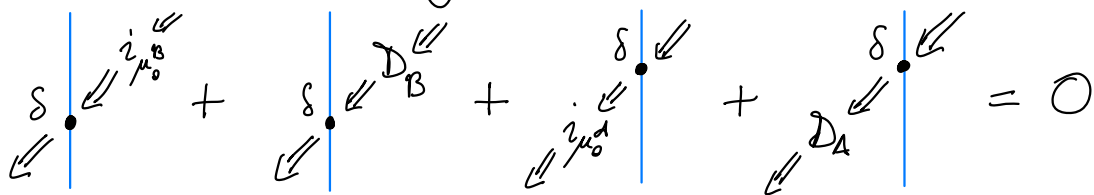
It is convenient to use the several-output curved DA relations.

Define iteratively



Also define  $\delta := \text{id}_X + \delta^1 + \delta^2 + \dots$

RK: A DA-bimodule satisfies the relation



Idea of proof:

- 1) Fix the number of outputs, call it  $n$ .
- 2) Express each summand of the above relation as a sum of  $n$  elements, where the  $i$ -th element is associated to the  $i$ -th output.
- 3) Apply the curved DA relation to the  $i$ -th output. □

# Short versions of curved structure relations

$A_\infty$ -module:

$$m \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \Delta \\ \leftarrow \end{array} + m \begin{array}{c} \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow cD \end{array} = 0$$

Type-D structure:

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \delta \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow cD \end{array} = 0$$

DA bimodules:

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \delta \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow cD_A \\ \rightarrow \delta \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \delta \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow cD_B \\ \rightarrow \delta \end{array} = 0$$

Cor:  $M_A \boxtimes^A X_B$  is a curved  $A_\infty$ -module over  $B$

${}^A X_B \boxtimes^B N$  is a curved type-D structure

${}^A X_B \boxtimes^B Y_C$  is a curved DA (A-C)-bimodule