

Brauer algebras of Dynkin type

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The relations can be summarized by use of the Dynkin diagram of type A_{n-1} , whose Weyl group is Sym_n .

Similarity for BMW_n .

To what extent are there similar algebras for other Dynkin types?

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Br_n by diagrams, example for $n = 10$

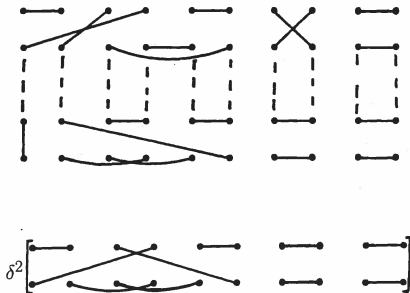
As a $\mathbb{Z}[\delta]$ -module, Br_n is spanned by Brauer diagrams on $2n$ nodes.

A Brauer diagram with $n = 10$



Br_n by diagrams, example cont'd

Multiplication of two Brauer diagrams



Br_n by diagrams cont'd

Known pictures for Sym_n .

Extended by cups and caps.

For a diagram T and a circle C in T

$$T = \delta \cdot (T \setminus C).$$

Main properties

Theorem (Brauer, 1937)

For $\delta \in \mathbb{N}$ and $V = \mathbb{C}^\delta$ there is a surjective homomorphism

$$\mathrm{Br}_n \rightarrow \mathrm{End}_{\mathrm{O}(V)}(\otimes^n(V)).$$

For $\delta \in -2\mathbb{N}$ and $V = \mathbb{C}^{-\delta}$ there is a surjective homomorphism

$$\mathrm{Br}_n \rightarrow \mathrm{End}_{\mathrm{Sp}(V)}(\otimes^n(V)).$$

This followed a result of Schur's for $\mathrm{End}_{\mathrm{GL}(V)}(\otimes^n(V))$.

Theorem (Wenzl, Hanlon & Wales, Doran, Rui & Si)

If $\delta \notin \mathbb{Z}$ or $|\delta| < n$, then Br_n is semisimple of dimension

$$\dim(\mathrm{Br}_n) = n!! = 1 \cdot 3 \cdots (2n - 1).$$

TL_n by diagrams

Definition

TL_n is the subalgebra of Br_n spanned by the diagrams without crossings.

Lemma

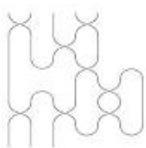
$\dim(TL_n)$ is the n -th Catalan number.

Theorem

TL_n is the quotient of the Hecke algebra of type A_{n-1} by the central elements of the parabolic subalgebras of rank two.

BMW_n by diagrams

Same diagrams as for Brauer, but with distinction of over and under crossings.



Braid relations.

Skein relations.

The Kauffman skein relation

The diagram illustrates the Kauffman skein relation. On the left, a crossing of two strands is added to m times a vertical line. This is equal to the sum of two terms: a crossing of two strands added to m times a cup-shaped arc, and a crossing of two strands added to m times a cap-shaped arc.

$$g_i + m \mathbf{1} = g_i^{-1} + m e_i$$

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- has a Markov trace leading to a knot theory invariant.

BMW_n by presentation (Wenzl)

Diagram $A_{n-1} = \begin{array}{c} \circ \text{---} \circ \cdots \cdots \circ \\ 1 \qquad 2 \qquad \qquad n-1 \end{array}$

Coefficients δ, m, l such that $m(1 - \delta) = l - l^{-1}$.

Single node i :

$$\begin{aligned} g_i^2 &= 1 - m(g_i - l^{-1}e_i) \\ e_i g_i &= l^{-1}e_i \\ g_i e_i &= l^{-1}e_i \\ e_i^2 &= \delta e_i \end{aligned}$$

BMW_n by presentation, cont'd

Two nodes i and j of A_{n-1} with $i \sim j$:

$$g_i g_j = g_j g_i$$

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BMW_n by presentation, cont'd'

Two nodes i and j of A_{n-1} with $i \not\sim j$:

$$g_i g_j g_i = g_j g_i g_j$$

$$g_j e_i g_j = g_i e_j g_i + m(e_j g_i - e_i g_j + g_i e_j - g_j e_i) + m^2(e_j - e_i)$$

$$g_j g_i e_j = e_i e_j$$

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$$g_j e_i e_j = g_i e_j + m(e_j - e_i e_j)$$

$$e_i g_j e_i = l e_i$$

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Example for Brauer instead of BMW

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More examples for Brauer instead of BMW

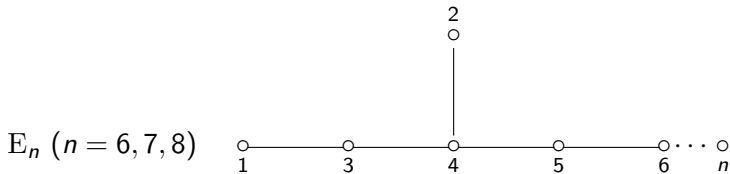
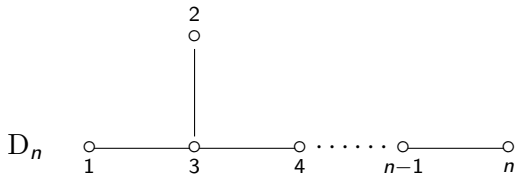
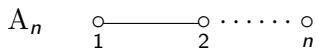
$$e_2 r_3 r_2 = e_2 e_3$$

$$e_2^2 = \delta e_2$$

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Simply laced diagrams



Presentations for simply laced types

Let M be a graph.

Definition

The BMW algebra $\text{BMW}(M)$ of type M has presentation

- generators g_i, e_i (i node of M);
- relations as for $M = A_{n-1}$.

Definition

- The *Brauer algebra* of type M is the specialization of $\text{BMW}(M)$ with $m \mapsto 0, \quad l \mapsto 1$;
- The *Temperley-Lieb algebra* $\text{TL}(M)$ is the subalgebra of $\text{BMW}(M)$ generated by e_1, \dots, e_{n-1} subject to all relations given that involve only these generators.

Results for simply laced Dynkin types

Theorem (C, Frenk, Gijsbers, Wales)

Let M be A_n ($n \geq 1$), D_n ($n \geq 4$), E_n ($n = 6, 7, 8$).

- The algebras $\text{BMW}(M)$ and $\text{Br}(M)$ are cellular with cells given by triples (X, Y, w) , for X, Y certain (*admissible*) sets of commuting reflections of $W(M)$ in the same $W(M)$ -orbit and elements w of a Coxeter group in $C_W(X)$.

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- The subgroup of invertible elements generated by all g_i is the Artin group of type M (generalizing Krammer, Bigelow, Zinno).

Reinterpretation of Brauer diagram as a triple



$$n = 10$$

diagram A_9

$$X = \{\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2, \epsilon_5 - \epsilon_6, \epsilon_9 - \epsilon_{10}\}$$

$$Y = \{\epsilon_3 - \epsilon_6, \epsilon_4 - \epsilon_5, \epsilon_9 - \epsilon_{10}\}$$

$w = \text{element } (1, 2)(3, 4) \text{ of } A = W(A_3) = \text{Sym}_4$

Dimensions of Brauer and BMW algebras of simply laced Dynkin type

M	$\dim(\text{Br}(M))$
A_n	$(n + 1)!!$
D_n	$(2^n + 1)n!! - (2^{n-1} + 1)n!$
E_6	1, 440, 585
E_7	139, 613, 625
E_8	53, 328, 069, 225

Diagrams for D_n

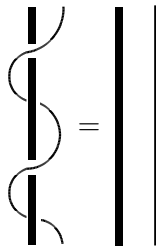
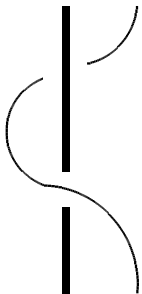
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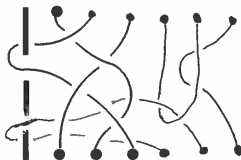
Some relations for the tangle algebra of type D_n , $KT(D_n)$

A pole twist and the relation of a pole of order two



Example D_n tangle

Tangle in $\mathbf{KT}(D_6)$.



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Non-simply laced Dynkin types obtained from foldings

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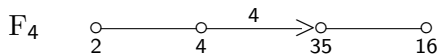
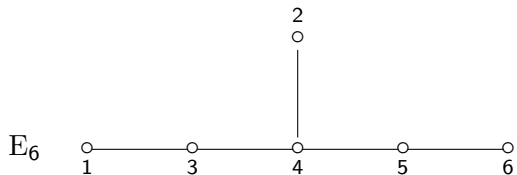
Let τ be a graph automorphism of the simply laced Dynkin diagram M . The τ -fixed subgroup of $W(M)$ is a Coxeter group of a well determined type M_τ .

Examples of non-simply laced Dynkin types from foldings

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B_n	from	D_{n+1}
F_4	from	E_6
G_2	from	D_4

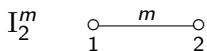
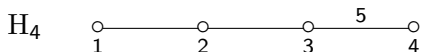
Example of diagrams obtained from folding

The one for F_4 uses E_6 and folds the diagram around its vertical axis.



Further Dynkin diagrams

Obtained by folding of simply laced diagrams (need [admissible partitions](#) of the nodes):



$$I_2^6 = G_2, \quad I_2^4 = B_2$$

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- and for I_2^m is A_{m-1} , the symmetric group on m letters.

Extending to Brauer algebras of non-simply laced type

Let M be a simply laced Dynkin diagram with diagram automorphism τ .

Definition

The Brauer algebra $\text{Br}(M_\tau)$ of type M_τ is the subalgebra of the Brauer algebra of type M generated by monomials in $\text{Br}(M)$ fixed by τ .

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- What's left is the specialized case of the group algebra of $W(M)$: the Brauer algebra.

Result for C_n

Theorem (C, Shoumin Liu, Shona Yu)

If $M = A_{2n-1}$ and $|\tau| = 2$, so $M_\tau \cong C_n$, then $\text{Br}(C_n)$ is cellular of dimension

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\sum_{p+2q=i} \frac{n!}{p!q!(n-i)!} \right)^2 2^{n-i}(n-i)!$$

with cells parameterized by triples (X, Y, w) such that X and Y are *admissible* sets of commuting reflections in $W(M_\tau)$ in the same $W(M_\tau)$ -orbit and w is an element of a Coxeter subgroup of $C_{W(M_\tau)}(X)$.

Result for B_n

Let $n \geq 3$.

Theorem (C, Shoumin Liu)

If $M = D_{n+1}$ and $|\tau| = 2$, so $M_\tau \cong B_n$, then $\text{Br}(B_n)$ is cellular of dimension

$$2^{n+1}n!! - 2^n n! + (n+1)!! - (n+1)!$$

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Result for F_4

Theorem (Shoumin Liu)

If $M = E_6$ and $|\tau| = 2$, so $M_\tau \cong F_4$, then $\text{Br}(F_4)$ is cellular with cells parameterized by triples (X, Y, w) such that X and Y are admissible sets of commuting reflections in $W(F_4)$ in the same $W(F_4)$ -orbit and w belongs to a Coxeter subgroup of $W(F_4)$ centralizing X .

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Discrepancies with Zhi Chen and Häring Oldenburg

Both Zhi Chen and Häring Oldenburg define Brauer algebras of type B_2 but these have dimensions slightly smaller than this definition which is 25, so are not the same.

They don't appear to be subalgebras or homomorphic images, just different.

Diagram algebras for Temperley Lieb algebras

Theorem (tom Dieck, R.M. Green)

For $M = D_n$ and $M = E_6$, there is a diagram algebra presentation for $TL(M)$ generalizing the one for $TL_n = TL(A_{n-1})$.

Diagram algebras for Brauer and BMW algebras

Theorem (C, Gijssbers, Wales)

There is a diagram algebra presentation for $\text{BMW}(\mathbb{D}_n)$ and $\text{Br}(\mathbb{D}_n)$ generalizing those for $M = \mathbb{A}_{n-1}$.

How about \mathbb{E}_n ?

Theorem (Leviallant)

There is a diagram algebra presentation for $\text{BMW}(\mathbb{E}_6)$ generalizing those for $M = \mathbb{A}_n$ and $M = \mathbb{D}_n$.

Other algebras with the label Brauer algebra

These are typically diagram algebras (many authors)

The Walled Brauer algebra, $B_{r,s}(\delta)$, where $r + s = n$

Brauer algebras of imprimitive complex reflection groups, labeled $G(m, p, d)$, where $pd = m$

q -Brauer algebras

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- Can BMW algebras of non-simply laced Dynkin type be defined from cohomological representations of the braid groups?

Thank you!

