

# Vanishing results for the Aomoto complex of real hyperplane arrangements via minimality

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## The objects

Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{H_1, \dots, H_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}^\ell$  be an affine hyperplane arrangement

$M(\mathcal{A}) = \mathbb{C}^\ell \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^n H_i \otimes \mathbb{C}$  : the complement of the complexified hyperplane, which is a **minimal space** (Dimca, Papadima, Randell)

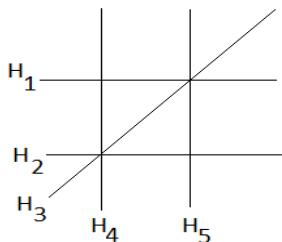
$L(\mathcal{A})$  : intersection lattice of  $\mathcal{A}$

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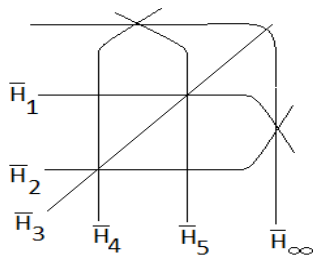
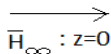
$$\mathbb{R}^l \simeq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{R}}^l \setminus \overline{H}_{\infty},$$

we consider the **projective closure** of  $\mathcal{A}$ :

$$\overline{\mathcal{A}} = \{\overline{H}_1, \dots, \overline{H}_n, \overline{H}_{\infty}\} \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{R}}^l.$$



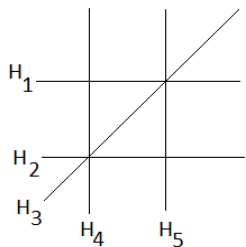
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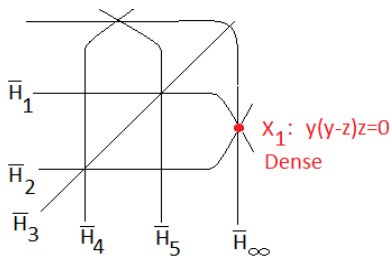
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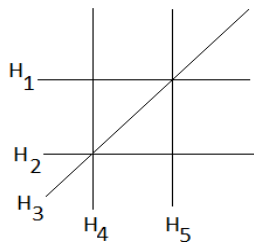
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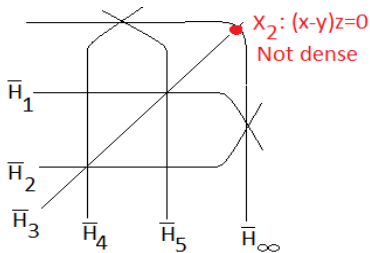
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Let  $R$  be a commutative unitary ring. The **Orlik-Solomon algebra**  $A_R^\bullet(\mathcal{A})$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is the quotient of the exterior algebra generated by the elements  $e_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , modulo the ideal  $I(\mathcal{A})$  generated by:

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$$\{e_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{i_s} \mid H_{i_1} \cap \cdots \cap H_{i_s} = \emptyset\},$$

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where

$$\partial(e_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{i_s}) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^s (-1)^{\alpha-1} e_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \widehat{e_{i_\alpha}} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{i_s}.$$

(Orlik-Solomon, 1980)

$$A_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{A}) \simeq H^{\bullet}(M(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{Z}), \quad e_i \simeq \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{-1}} d \log \alpha_i,$$

where  $H_i : \alpha_i = 0$ .

Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in R^n$  and  $\omega_{\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i e_i \in A_R^1(\mathcal{A})$ .  
The **Aomoto complex** is the cochain complex

$$(A_R^{\bullet}(\mathcal{A}), \omega_{\lambda} \wedge) = \{A_R^{\bullet}(\mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\omega_{\lambda} \wedge} A_R^{\bullet+1}(\mathcal{A})\}.$$

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- Vanishing results for  $H^\bullet(A_R^\bullet(\mathcal{A}), \omega_\lambda \wedge)$  (Yuzvinsky 1995, 2001)
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## Theorem (B., Yoshinaga)

Assume  $\mathcal{A} = \{H_1, \dots, H_n\}$  is essential and  $\lambda_X \in R^\times$  for any dense edge  $X$  contained in the hyperplane at infinity  $\overline{H}_\infty$ . Then the following holds:

$$H^k(A_R^\bullet(\mathcal{A}), \omega_\lambda \wedge) \simeq \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } k \neq \ell, \\ R^{|\chi(M(\mathcal{A}))|}, & \text{if } k = \ell. \end{cases}$$

## Corollary

*Let  $0 \leq p < \ell$ . If  $\lambda_X \in R^\times$  for any dense edge  $X \in L(\overline{\mathcal{A}})$  contained in the hyperplane at infinity with  $\dim(X) \geq p$ , then*

$$H^k(A_R^\bullet(\mathcal{A}), \omega_\lambda) \simeq 0, \text{ for all } 0 \leq k < \ell - p.$$



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### Theorem (Cohen-Dimca-Orlik, 2003)

Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{H_1, \dots, H_n\} \subset \mathbb{C}^\ell$  be a complex hyperplane arrangement. Suppose that  $q_X \neq 1$  for each dense edge  $X$  contained in the hyperplane at infinity. Then the following holds:

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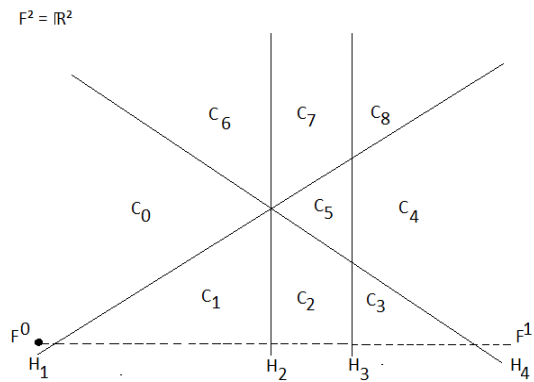
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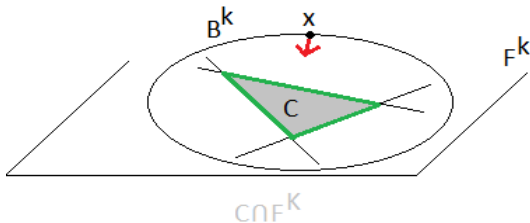
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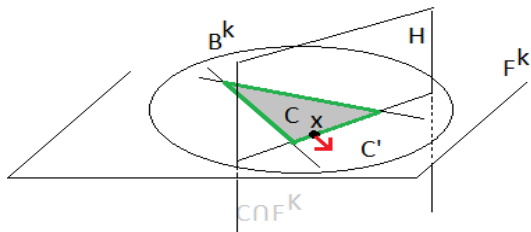


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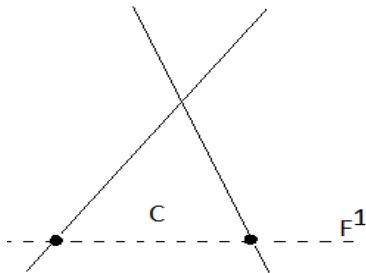
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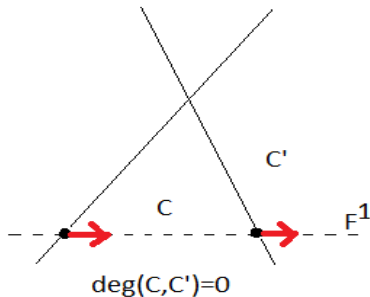


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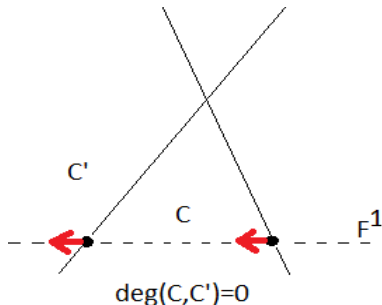
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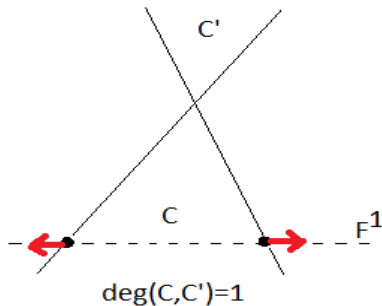
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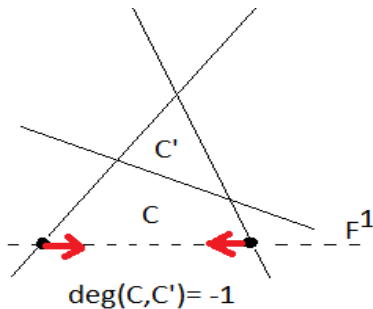


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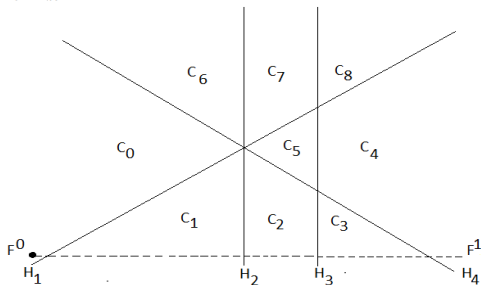
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**Formula for the coboundary map:**

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where  $\lambda_{\text{Sep}(C, C')} = \sum_{\substack{H \text{ separates} \\ C \text{ and } C'}} \lambda_i.$

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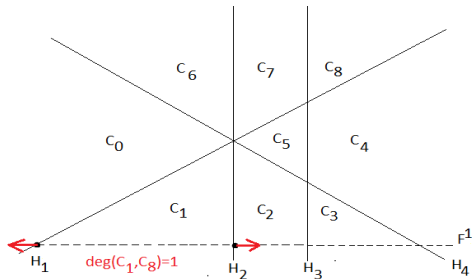
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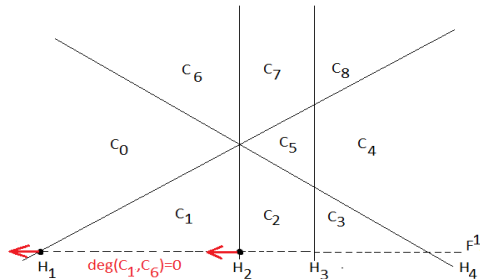
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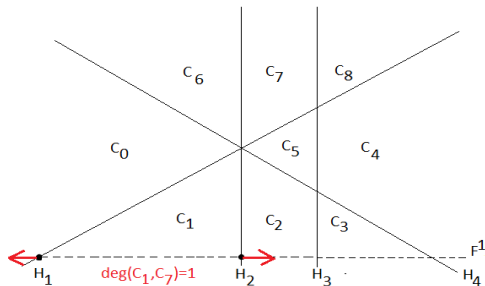
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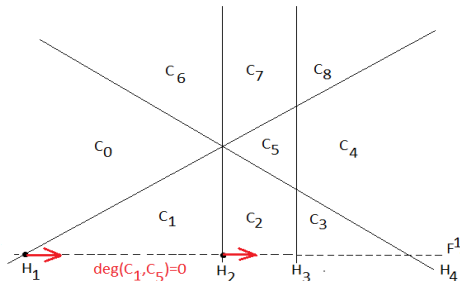
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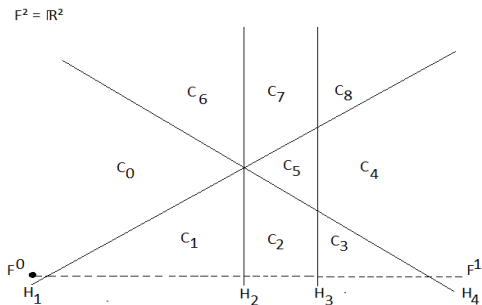
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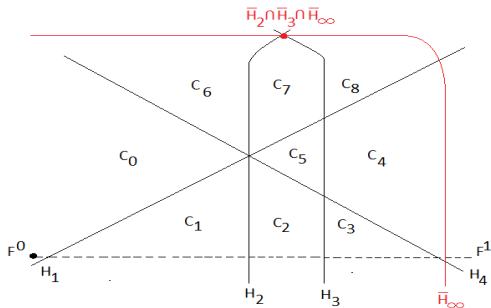
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$C_8$	$1 \times (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4)$	0	0	$-\lambda_1$
$C_6$	0	$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4$	0	$-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3)$
$C_7$	$1 \times (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_4)$	$\lambda_1 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4$	$-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_4)$	$-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_3)$
$C_5$	0	$\lambda_3 + \lambda_4$	$-\lambda_4$	$-\lambda_3$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{uch}^2 \\
 \left[ \begin{array}{c} C_8 \\ C_6 \\ C_7 \\ C_5 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}
 \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c}
 \overbrace{\nabla_{\omega_\lambda}([C_1])}^{\text{bch}^1} & \nabla_{\omega_\lambda}([C_3]) & \nabla_{\omega_\lambda}([C_2]) & \nabla_{\omega_\lambda}([C_4]) \\
 1 \times (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4) & 0 & 0 & -\lambda_1 \\
 0 & \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 & 0 & -(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3) \\
 1 \times (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_4) & \lambda_1 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 & -(\lambda_1 + \lambda_4) & -(\lambda_1 + \lambda_3) \\
 0 & \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 & -\lambda_4 & -\lambda_3
 \end{array} \right)$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\overline{M}$

- $\overline{M} = \text{Mat}(\overline{\nabla}_{\omega_\lambda} : R[\text{bch}^1(\mathcal{A})] \rightarrow R[\text{uch}^2(\mathcal{A})])$  is **triangular**
- $\det(\overline{M}) = -(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4)^2(\lambda_1 + \lambda_4)$   
 $= \lambda_\infty^2(\lambda_\infty + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3)$

$$(\lambda_\infty := -\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i, \lambda_X := \sum_{\overline{H}_i \supset X} \lambda_i)$$



$$\text{ch}^0 = \{C_0\} = \text{bch}^0$$

$$\text{ch}^1 = \{C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4\}$$

$$\text{bch}^1 = \{C_1, C_2, C_3\} \quad \text{uch}^1 = \{C_4\}$$

$$\text{ch}^2 = \{C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8\}$$

$$\text{bch}^2 = \{C_5\} \quad \text{uch}^2 = \{C_6, C_7, C_8\}$$

- $\bar{M} = \text{Mat}(\bar{\nabla}_{\omega_\lambda} : R[\text{bch}^1(\mathcal{A})] \rightarrow R[\text{uch}^2(\mathcal{A})])$  is **triangular**
- $\det(\bar{M}) = \lambda_{H_\infty}^2 \lambda_{\bar{H}_2 \cap \bar{H}_3 \cap H_\infty}$ , where  $\bar{H}_\infty$  and  $\bar{H}_2 \cap \bar{H}_3 \cap \bar{H}_\infty$  are the **dense edges of  $L(\bar{\mathcal{A}})$  contained in the hyperplane at infinity  $\bar{H}_\infty$ .**

- 1 Introduction and main result
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In order to study the  $H^k(A_R^\bullet(\mathcal{A}), \omega_\lambda \wedge) \simeq H^k(R[\text{ch}^\bullet(\mathcal{A})], \nabla_{\omega_\lambda})$ , we consider

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\omega_\lambda} : R[\text{bch}^k(\mathcal{A})] \longrightarrow R[\text{uch}^{k+1}(\mathcal{A})].$$

Choosing a good ordering of the chambers  $\text{bch}^k(\mathcal{A})$ , one can show that:

- $\bar{M} = \text{Mat}(\bar{\nabla}_{\omega_\lambda})$  is triangular.
- $\det(\bar{M}) = \pm \prod_{\substack{X \in L(\bar{\mathcal{A}}) \text{ dense} \\ X \subseteq \bar{H}_\infty}} \lambda_X^{n_X}$ , where  $n_X \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$ .

It follows that if the assumptions of our theorem are satisfied ( $\lambda_X \in R^\times, \forall X \in L(\mathcal{A})$  dense,  $X \subseteq \bar{H}_\infty$ ) then:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\nabla}_{\omega_\lambda} \text{ is an isomorphism} \\ \Downarrow \\ H^k(A_R^\bullet(\mathcal{A}), \omega_\lambda \wedge) \simeq 0, \forall k \neq \ell. \end{aligned}$$

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**Thank you very much for your attention and...  
happy birthday Mike!!!**