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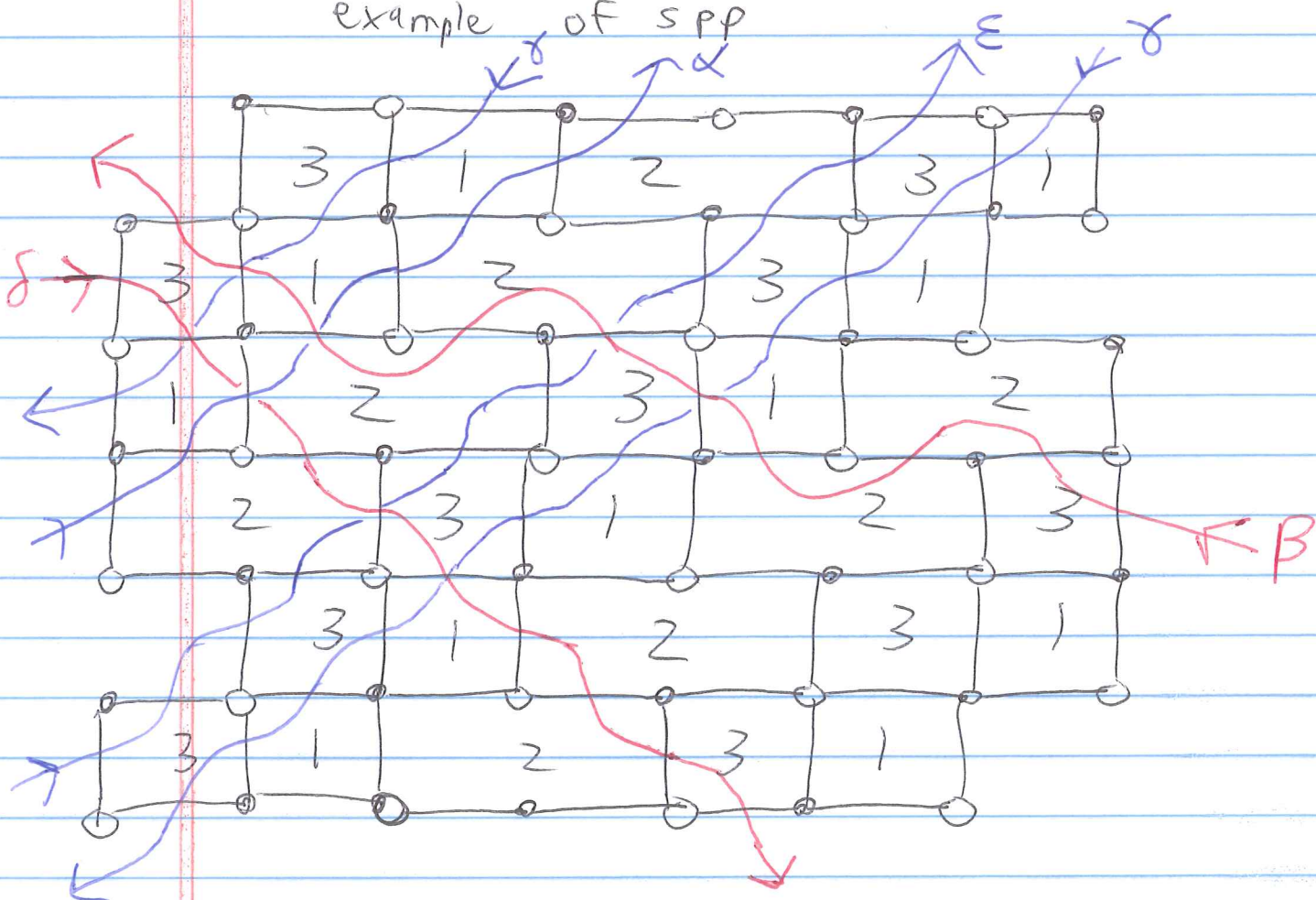
Lecture 22: Extremal versus External perf matchings

Geometric consistency versus (R-symm.) consistency

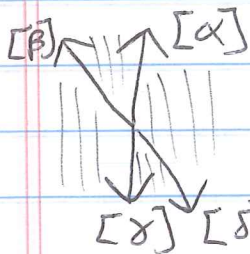
Geometric consistency (Broomhead, Prop 3.12)

- a) Any zig-zag path has no self-intersections
- b) If $[\alpha] \notin [B]$ in $H_1(Y; \mathbb{Z})$ linearly independent, then zig-zag paths α & B intersect in exactly one arrow.
- c) If $[\alpha] \in [B]$ are linearly dependent then zig-zag paths α & B do not intersect.

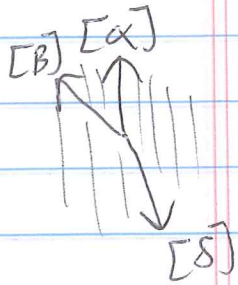
We build local & global zig-zag fans & $P(\sigma)$'s for example of spp



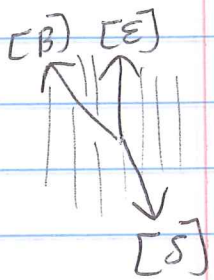
4/13/15 (2) ZZ's intersecting face



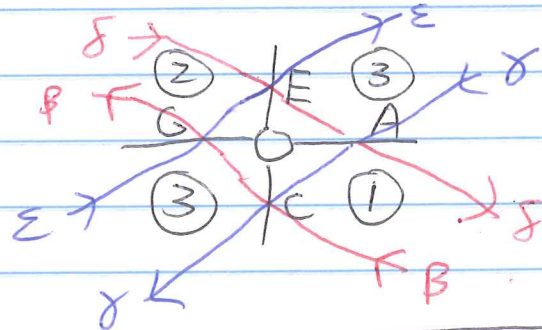
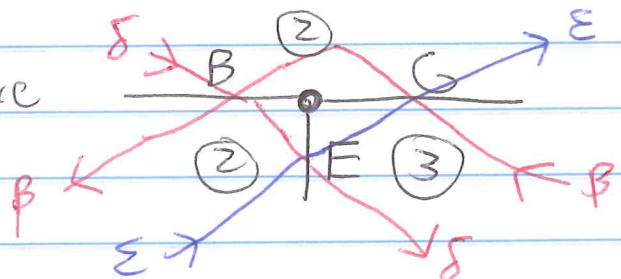
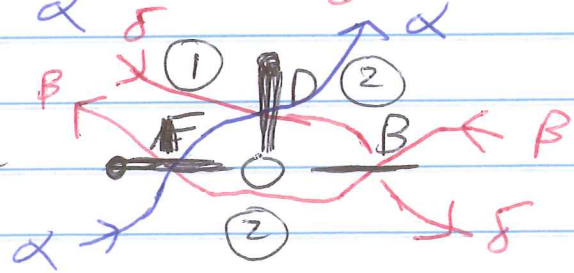
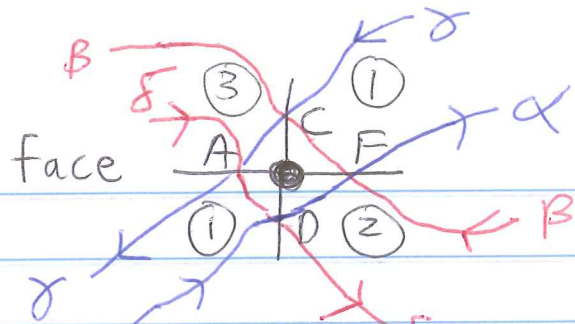
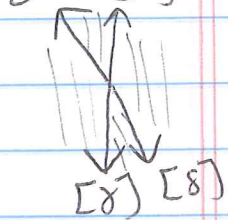
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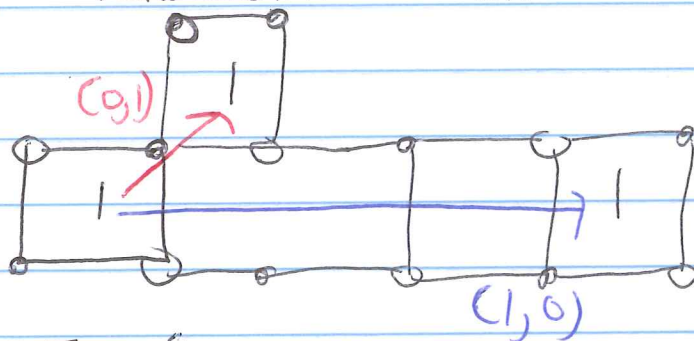
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Using fundamental domain and coordinates



$$[\alpha] = (0, 1)$$

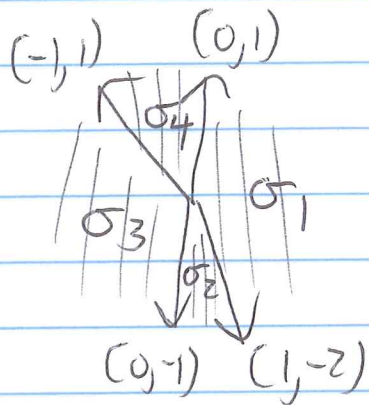
$$[\beta] = (-1, 1)$$

$$[\gamma] = (0, -1)$$

$$[\delta] = (1, -2)$$

$$[\epsilon] = (0, 1)$$

4/13/15 (3) \Rightarrow SPP has Global Zig-zag fan



For σ_i a 2-dim cone in Global zig-zag fan,

$$P(\sigma_i) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in Q_2} P_F(\sigma_i)$$

e.g. $P(\sigma_1) = \frac{1}{2} [D + D + E + E]$

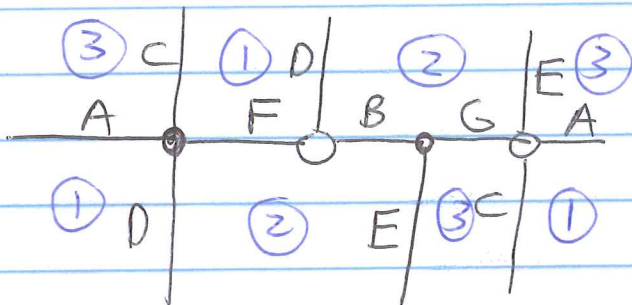
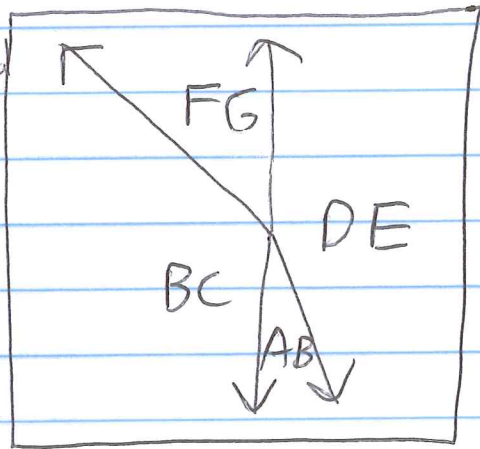
$$P(\sigma_2) = \frac{1}{2} [A + B + B + A]$$

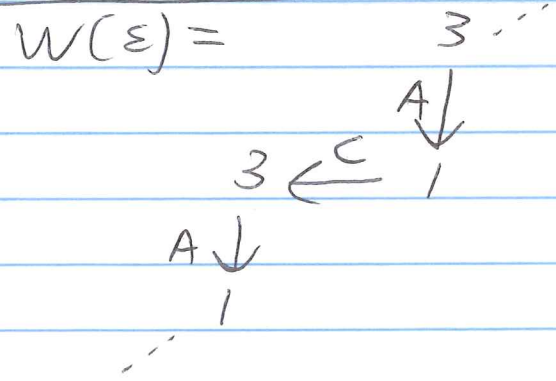
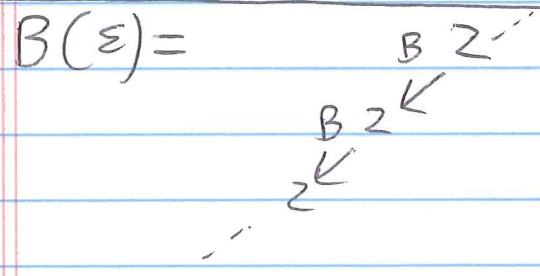
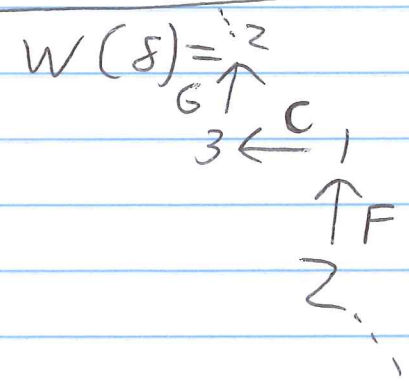
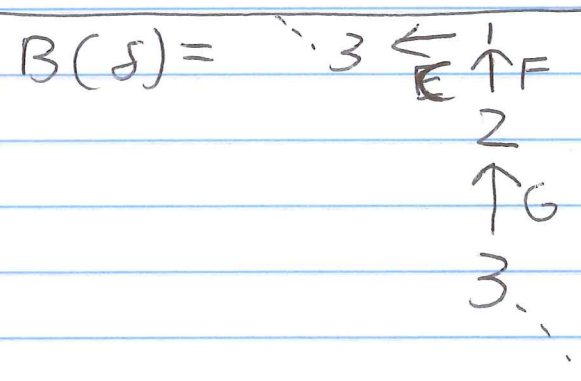
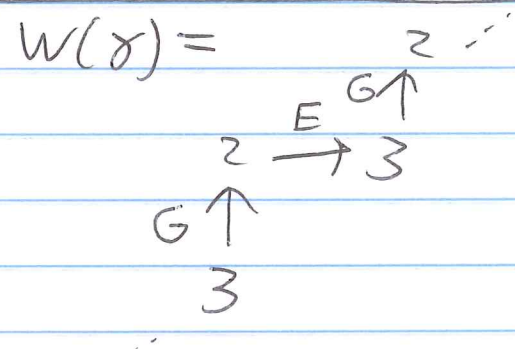
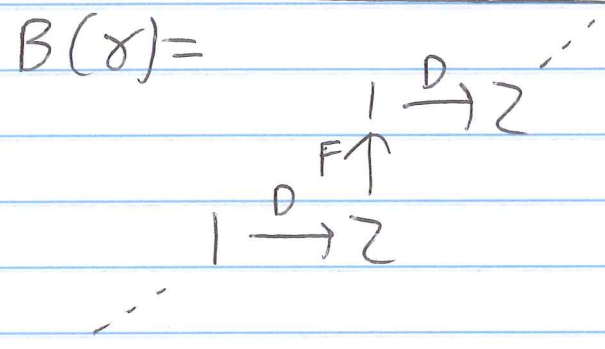
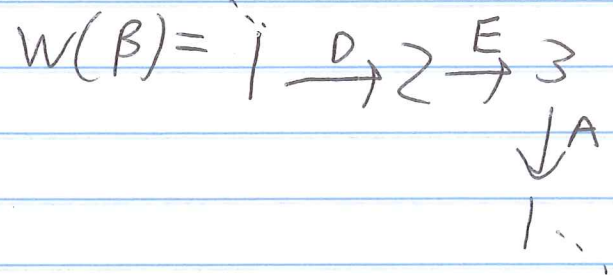
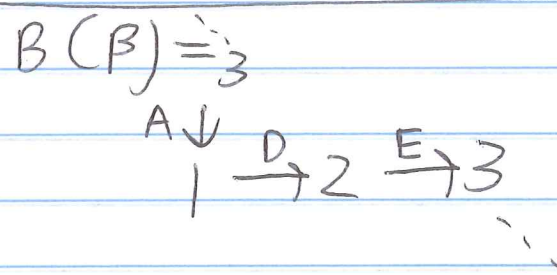
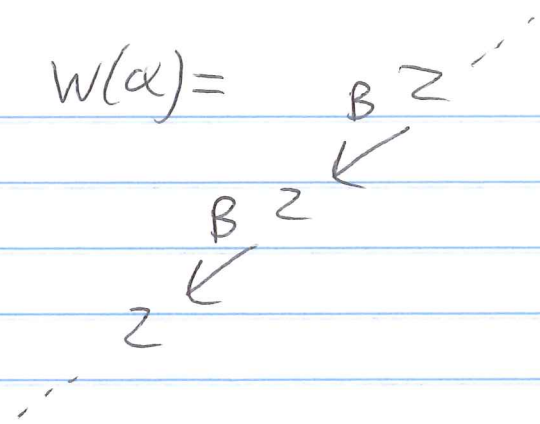
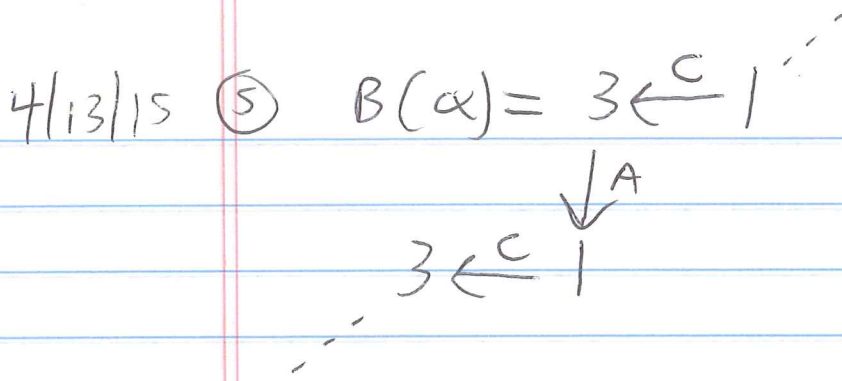
$$P(\sigma_3) = \frac{1}{2} [C + B + B + C]$$

$$P(\sigma_4) = \frac{1}{2} [F + F + G + G]$$

two missing non-extremal perfect matchings are

DG & EF





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Let $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$ be a set of representative zig-zag paths such that $\sigma_i =$ defined by rays $[\alpha_i], [\alpha_{i+1}]$ (subscripts mod m)

Claim: • IF M is an internal perfect matching, M evaluates positively on $B(\alpha_i)$ and $W(\alpha_i)$.

• IF M is an external (but not extremal) perfect matching, $\exists!$ α_i s.t. M evaluates to zero on $B(\alpha_i) \neq W(\alpha_i)$.

• IF M is an extremal perfect matching, M evaluates to zero on $B(\alpha_i) \neq W(\alpha_i)$ for exactly two α_i 's.

SPP e.g. (no internal perfect matchings)

$AB \rightarrow \gamma, \delta$

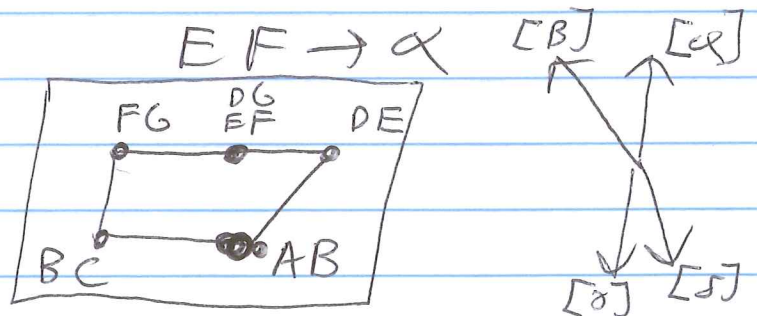
$DG \rightarrow \alpha$

$DE \rightarrow \delta, \alpha$

$FG \rightarrow \alpha, \beta$

$EF \rightarrow \alpha$

$BC \rightarrow \beta, \gamma$



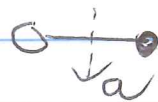
Recording which zig-zags out of $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta)$ are zero of these perfect matchings

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Broomhead,

Lemma 4.19 $P(\sigma) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{Q}_2} P_F(\sigma)$ is a perfect matching.

Pf: Any arrow a is in the boundary of exactly two faces, i.e. (F_W, F_B)



$$P(\sigma)(a) = \frac{1}{2} P_{F_B}(\sigma)(a) + \frac{1}{2} P_{F_W}(\sigma)(a)$$

Let α^+ and α^- be the two zig-zag paths through arrow a .

Let $\mathcal{E}(F_B)$ and $\mathcal{E}(F_W)$ be the corresponding local zig-zag fans of those faces.

$\mathcal{E}(F_B)$ and $\mathcal{E}(F_W)$ both contain rays generated by $[\alpha^+] \neq [\alpha^-]$.

As discussed last class, cannot be another ray $[\beta]$ between $[\alpha^+]$ and $[\alpha^-]$ in $\mathcal{E}(F_B)$ nor $\mathcal{E}(F_W)$.

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{E}(F_B) \neq \mathcal{E}(F_W)$ both contain the 2-dim cone

$[\alpha^+] \wedge [\alpha^-]$ determined by the arrow a

$$\Rightarrow P_{F_B}(\sigma)(a) = P_{F_W}(\sigma)(a) = 1$$

$$P_{F_B}(\sigma)(a') = 0 \text{ for any other } a' \neq a \in \partial F_B$$

$$P_{F_W}(\sigma)(a'') = 0 \text{ for any other } a'' \neq a \in \partial F_W.$$

Thus, for each $F_B, F_W, \exists!$ arrow $a \in \partial F$ on which $P(\sigma)$ evaluates to 1. Summing over all $F \in \mathcal{Q}_2$, $P(\sigma)$ is a P. M.

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Def: A dimer model is called consistent if there exists an R -symmetry satisfying

$$\sum_{\substack{a \text{ inc.} \\ \text{to } V}} R_a = \deg(R) \left(\frac{\# \text{ arrows incid. to } V}{2} - 1 \right) \forall V.$$

Claim: If a dimer model is consistent and

$$\sum_{a \in \partial F} R_a = \deg(R) \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{Q}_2, \text{ then}$$

the dimer model must correspond to a quiver on a torus.

PF:

$$\begin{aligned} (\deg R) |\mathcal{Q}_2| &= 2 \sum_{\substack{F \in \mathcal{Q}_2 \\ a \in \partial F}} R_a = 2 \sum_{\substack{V \in \mathcal{Q}_0 \\ a \text{ inc. to } V}} R_a \\ &= \deg(R) (|\mathcal{Q}_1| - |\mathcal{Q}_0|) \Rightarrow |\mathcal{Q}_2| - |\mathcal{Q}_1| + |\mathcal{Q}_0| = 0 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Euler characteristic = 0. \square

Rem: Y being Klein bottle might also be possible if we did not require Y orientable.

Rem: Physicists would phrase these conditions slightly differently:

[assuming R -symmetries degree 2 but in $\mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{Q}_1}$ instead of $\mathbb{Z}^{\mathcal{Q}_1}$]

- $\sum_{a \in \partial F} R_a = 2 \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{Q}_2$
- $\sum_{a \text{ inc. to } V} (1 - R_a) = 2 \quad \forall V \in \mathcal{Q}_0$

related to vanishing of β -functions, superconformal invariance.

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Recall that an R-symmetry is a global symmetry that acts with strictly positive weights on all arrows.

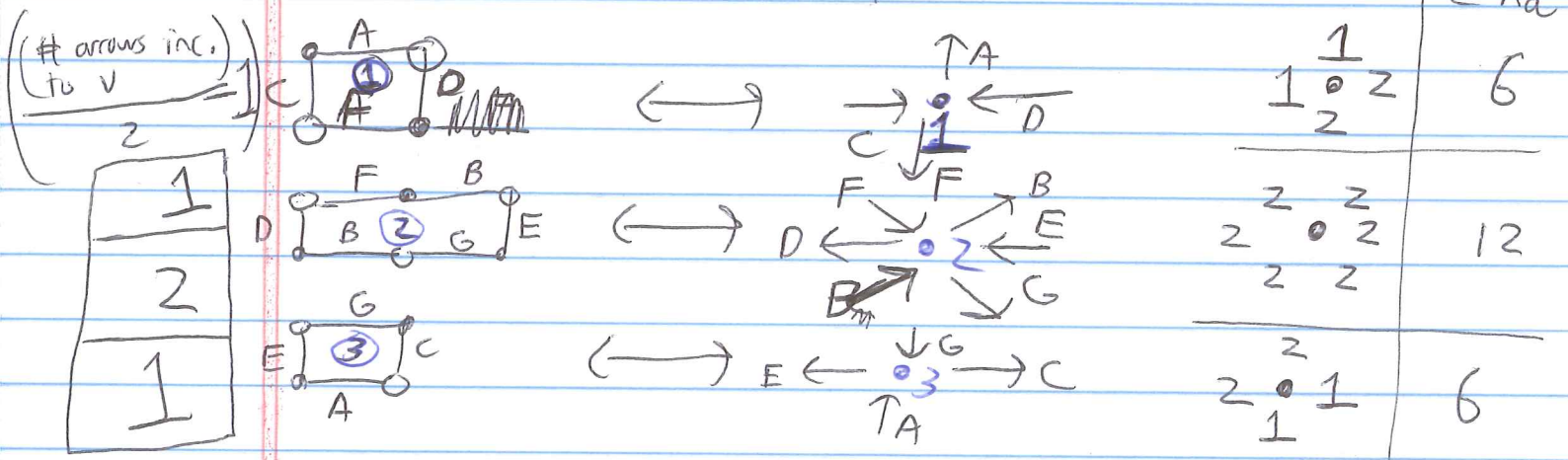
We say that an R-symmetry is anomaly-free if for every vertex of the quiver

$$\sum_{\substack{\text{incident arrows} \\ a \text{ to } v}} R_a = \deg(R) \left(\frac{\# \text{ arrows incident to } v}{2} - 1 \right)$$

e.g. SPP, adding all perfect matchings together gives global symmetry $R \in \mathbb{Z}^{\mathcal{Q}_1}$ defined as

$$R(A)=1, R(B)=2, R(C)=1, R(D)=2, R(E)=2, R(F)=2, R(G)=2$$

which is an R-symmetry.



$\deg R = 6$ (since the sum of six perfect matchings)

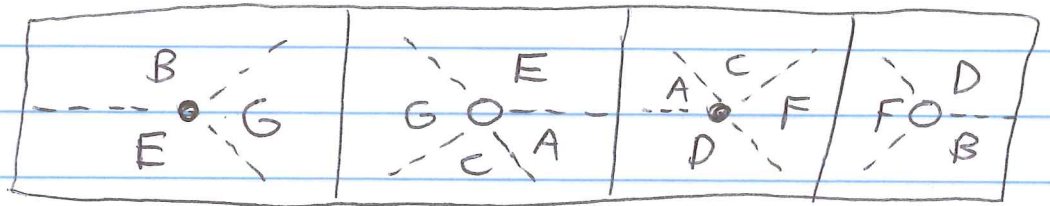
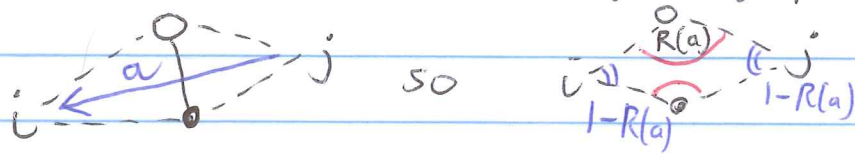
Thus, this R is indeed anomaly-free.

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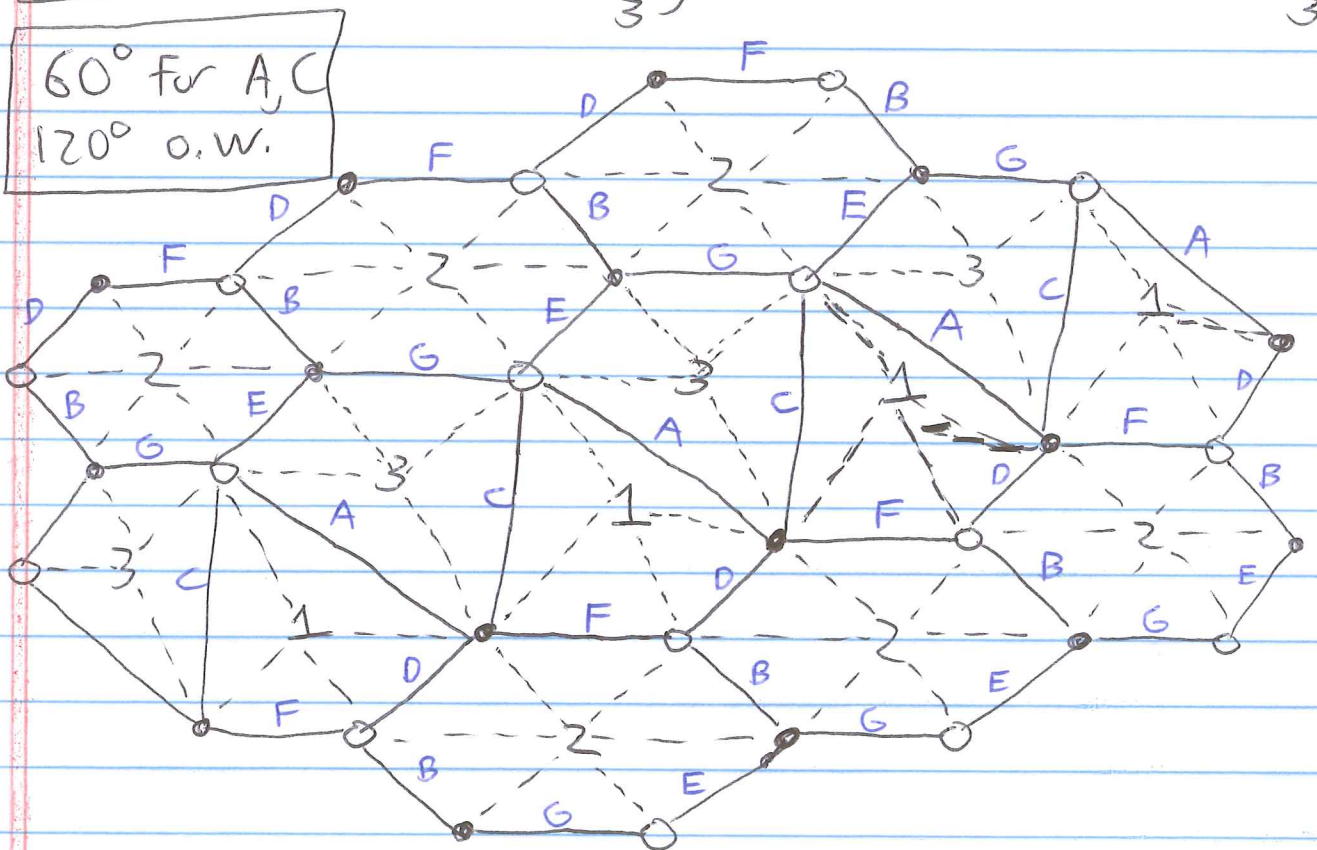
We can use geometry to show that a geometrically consistent dimer model is consistent:

Normalizing so that $\deg R = 2\pi$ (multiply through by $\frac{2\pi}{\deg R}$)

we draw dimer model so quad graph has angles



e.g. SPP | $R(A)=R(C)=\frac{\pi}{3}$, $R(B)=R(D)=R(E)=R(F)=R(G)=\frac{2\pi}{3}$



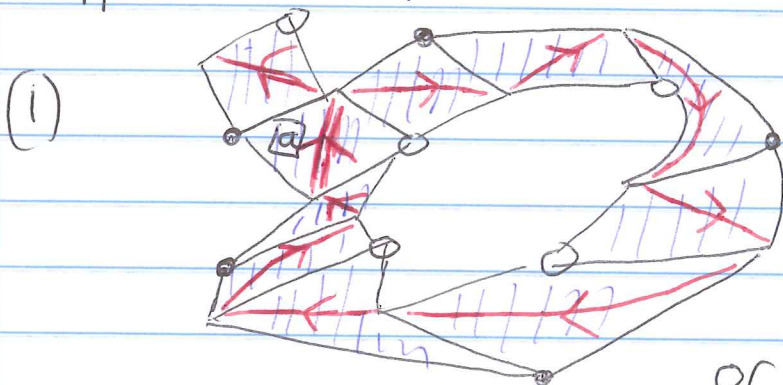
4/13/15 (1)

In general, suppose we had a geom. consistent dimer model (conditions on zig-zag paths) and build the corresponding quad graph and train tracks,

We wish to show that such train tracks have

- no self-intersections
- no two train tracks intersect more than once

Suppose otherwise,



self-intersecting train track must correspond to self-intersecting zig-zag path or possible lifts to

two zig-zag paths, but both using arrow a and with same homology. Contradicts $[a] = [b]$
 \Rightarrow no intersections.

(2) The lift of a train track is a zig-zag path in this way so double-intersection ^{of Π} would imply double-intersection of $\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{Z}$'s

Secondly, ~~with~~ these conditions on train tracks in the quad graph, we claim the quad graph has a rhombic embedding on the torus meaning all line segments of quad graph have the same length.

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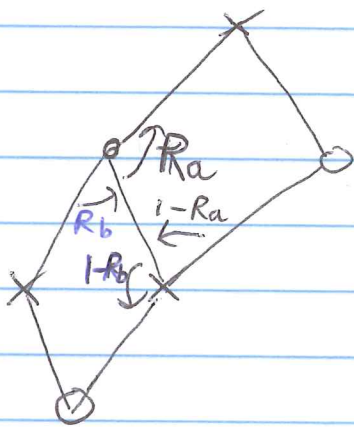
In fact rhombic embedding \Leftrightarrow
of quad graph

train tracks geom.
 consistent

Proven in [Kenyon-Schlenker] (Theorem 5.1)

So geom. consistent \Leftrightarrow rhombic embedding \Rightarrow consistent

where the last implication follows by the fact
 that rhombi can be put together as part
 of an embedding \Rightarrow

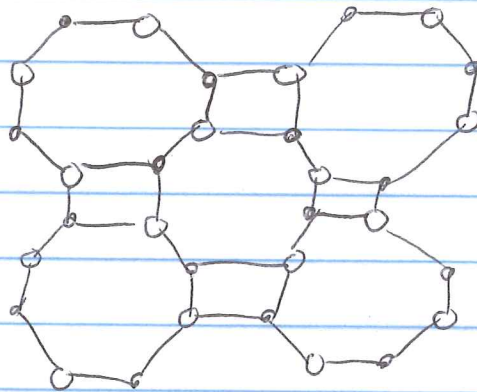


$$\sum_{a \in \partial F} R_a = 2\pi$$

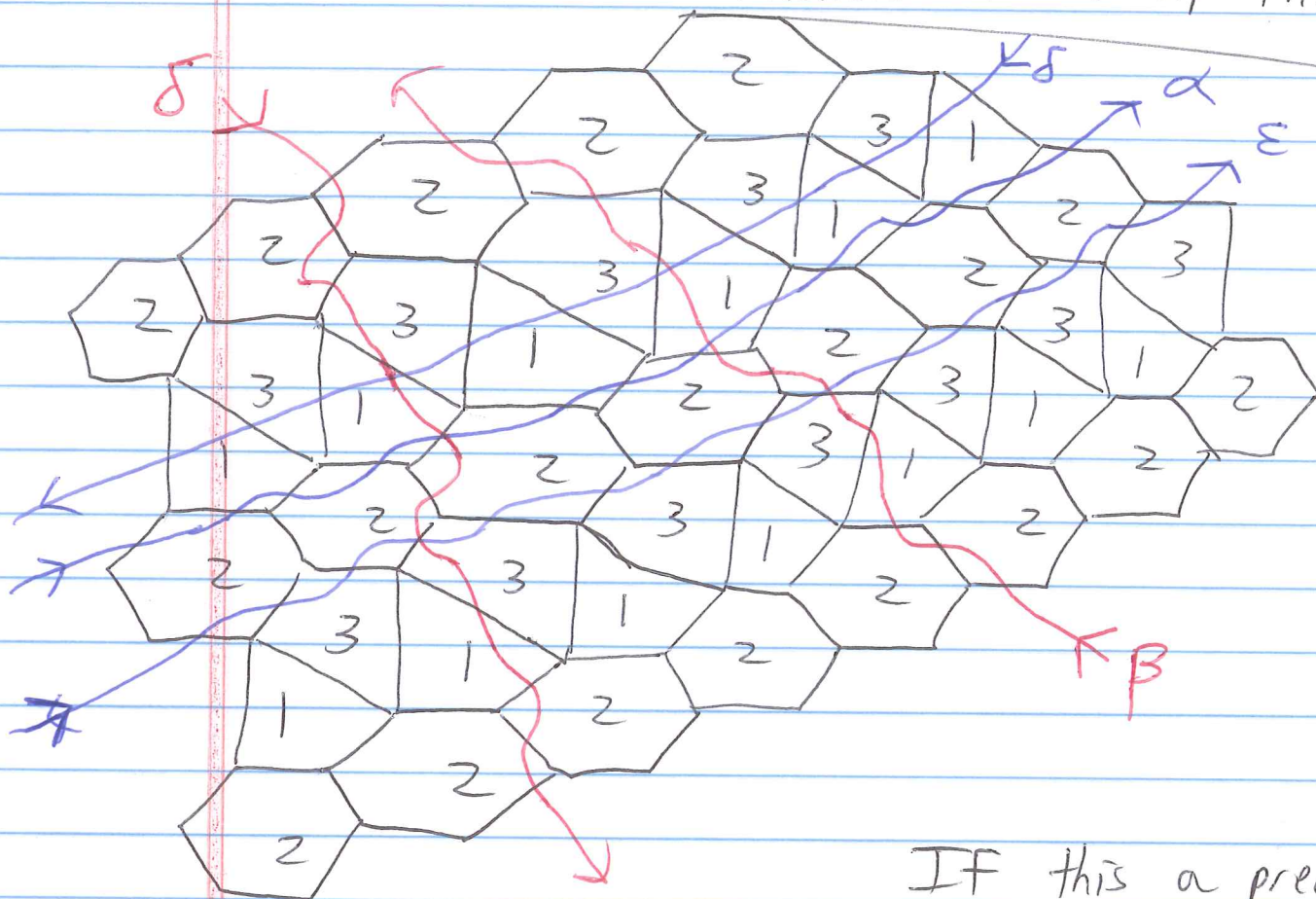
$$\sum_{a \in \partial V} (1 - R_a) = 2\pi$$

Note: consistent $\not\Rightarrow$ geom. consistent

Broomhead e.g 3.4



4/13/15 (13) Zig-zags for SPP redrawn on rhombic-embedded bip. tiling



$$\begin{aligned}
 [\alpha] &= (0, 1) \\
 [\beta] &= (-1, 1) \\
 [\gamma] &= (0, -1) \\
 [\delta] &= (1, -2) \\
 [\epsilon] &= (0, 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

IF this a precise rhombic embedding, these zig-zag paths should really become straight lines of appropriate slopes.

Also called an isoradial embedding.

(compare with output of Gorcharov-Kenyon algorithm.)

Primitive vectors on boundary of toric diag $\Delta \leftrightarrow$ homology loops \leftrightarrow zig-zag paths