

On the A_∞ -bialgebra structure of $H_*(\Omega X; F)$

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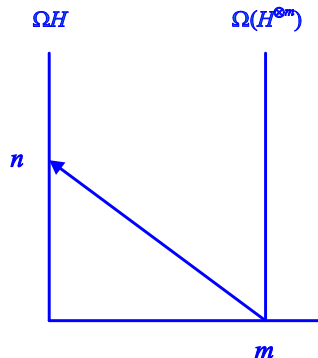
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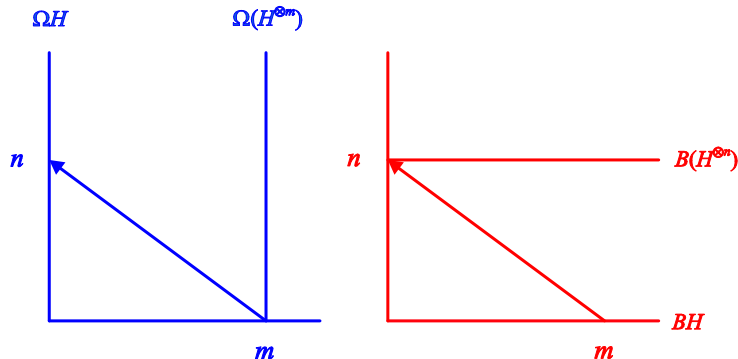
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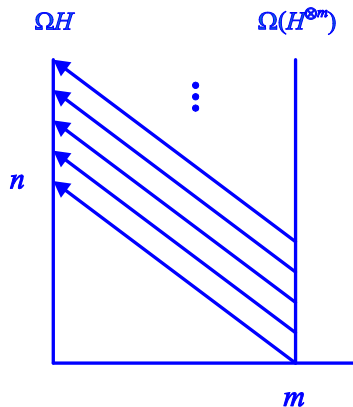
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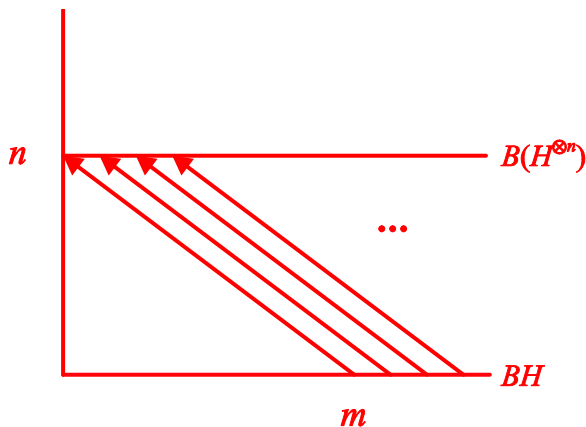
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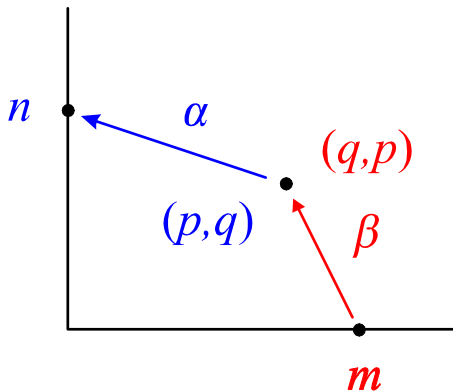
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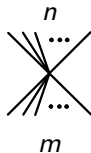
- For $\beta : H^{\otimes m} \rightarrow (H^{\otimes q})^{\otimes p}$ and $\alpha : (H^{\otimes p})^{\otimes q} \rightarrow H^{\otimes n}$ define

$$\alpha/\beta = \alpha \circ \sigma_{q,p} \circ \beta$$

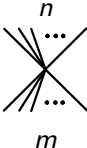


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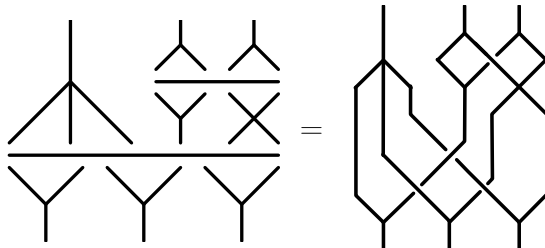
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- When $d_\omega \odot d_\omega = 0$, the structure relation of bidegree (m, n) is

$$\sum \{2\text{-step paths } H^{\otimes m} \rightarrow * \rightarrow H^{\otimes n}\} = 0$$

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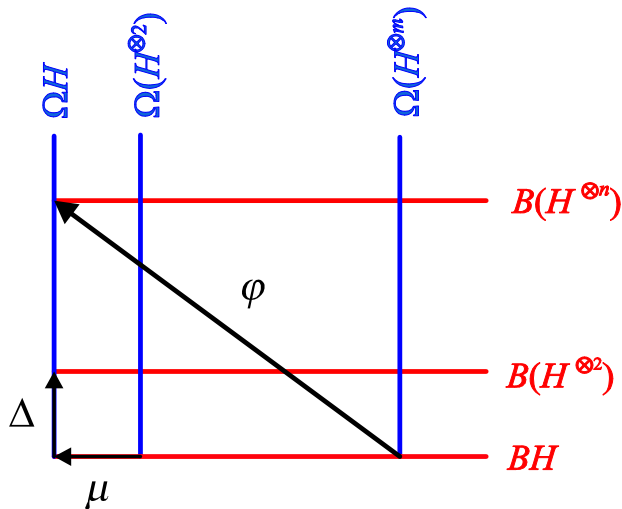
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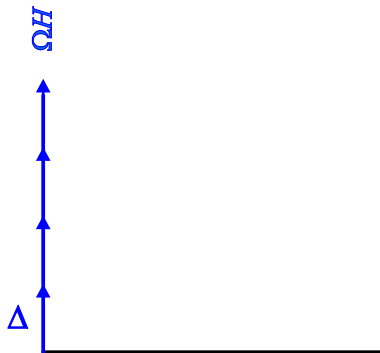
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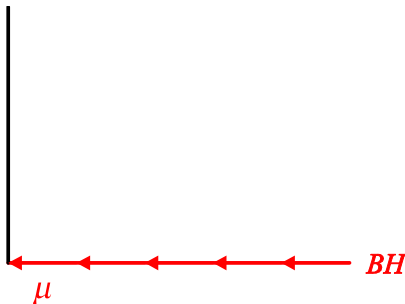
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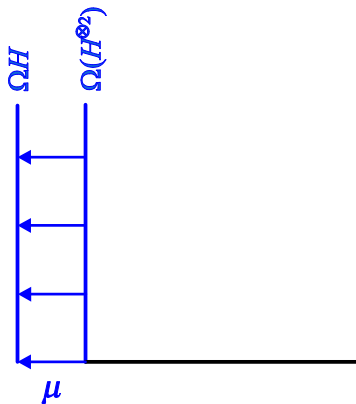
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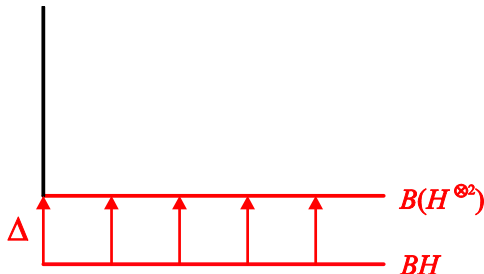
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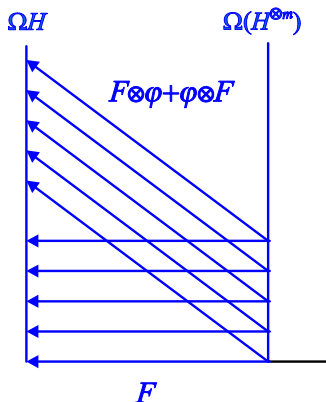
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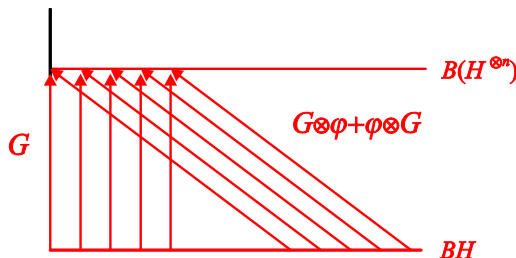
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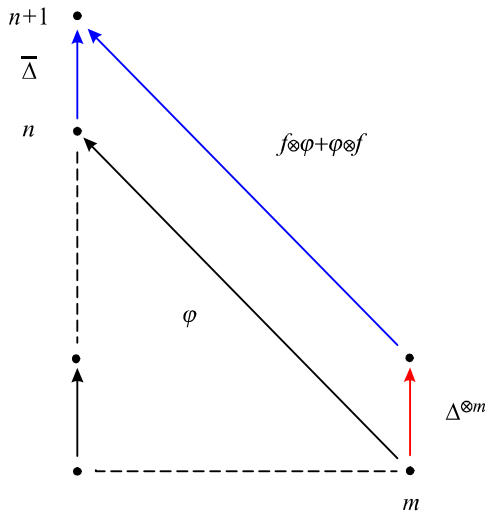
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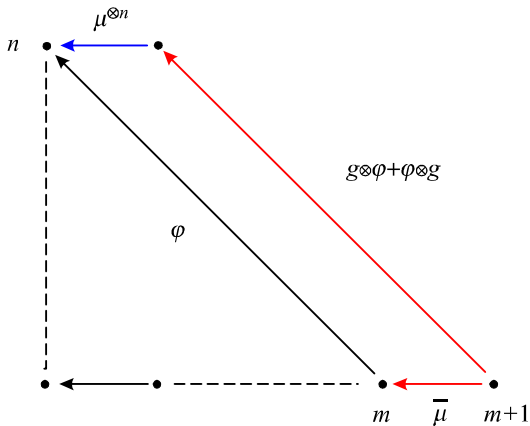
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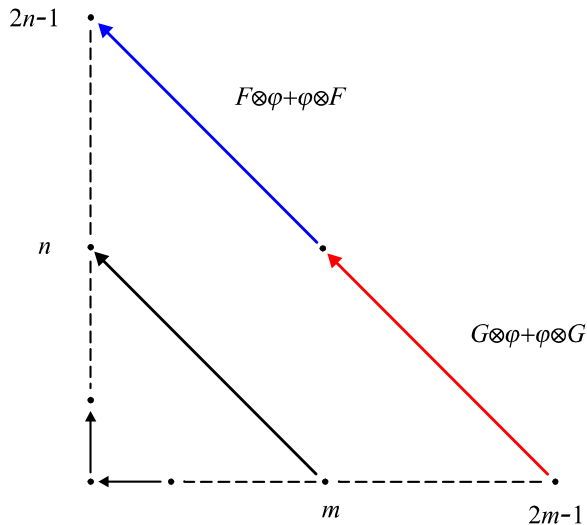
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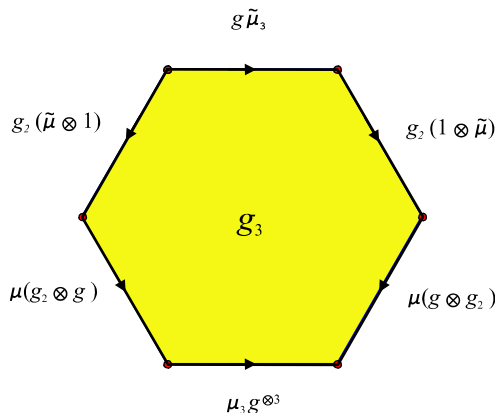
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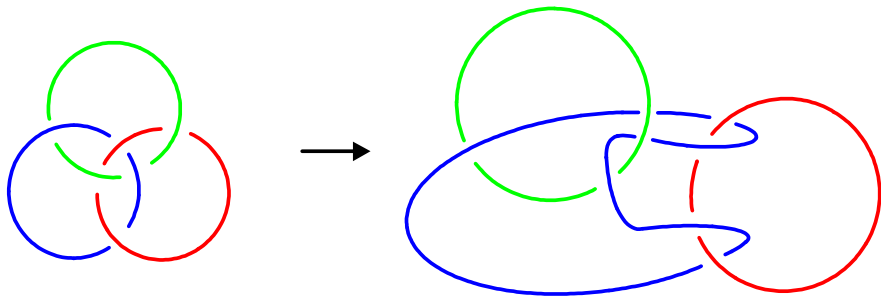
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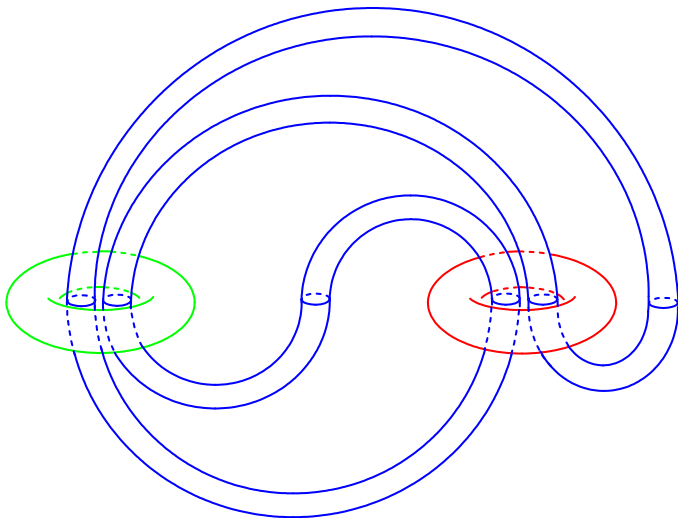
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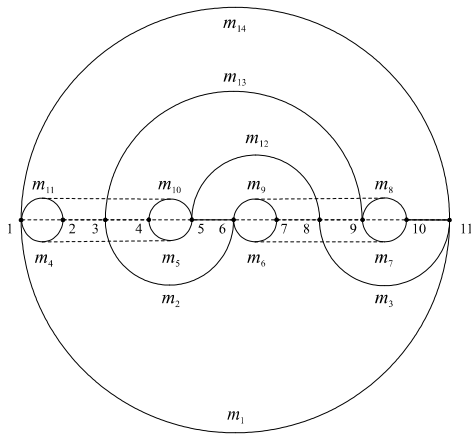
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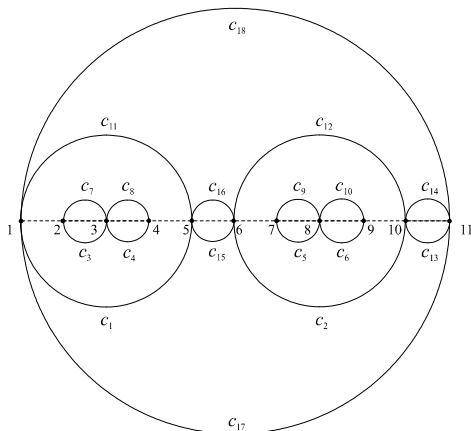


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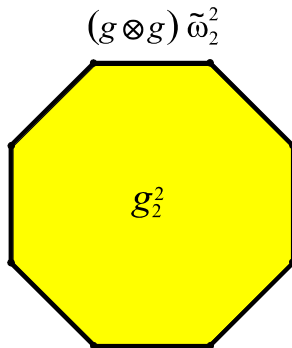
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