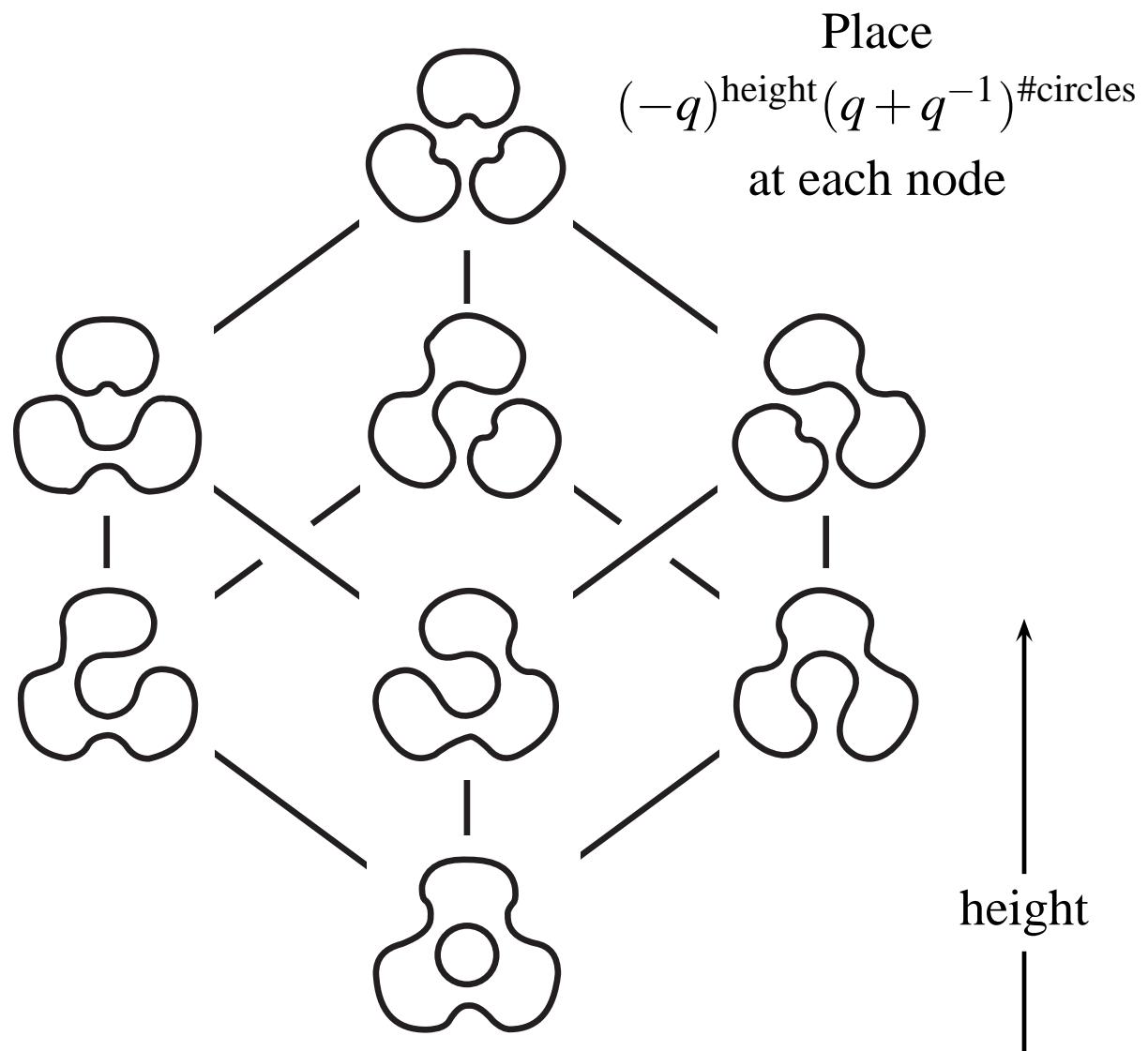
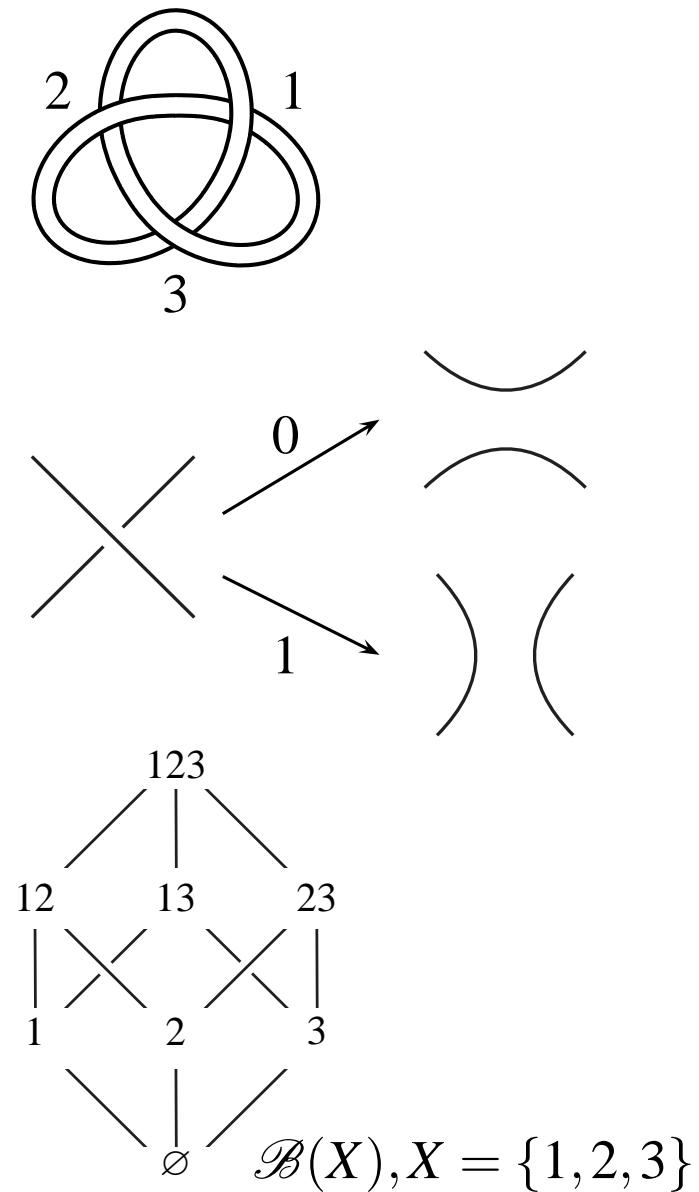
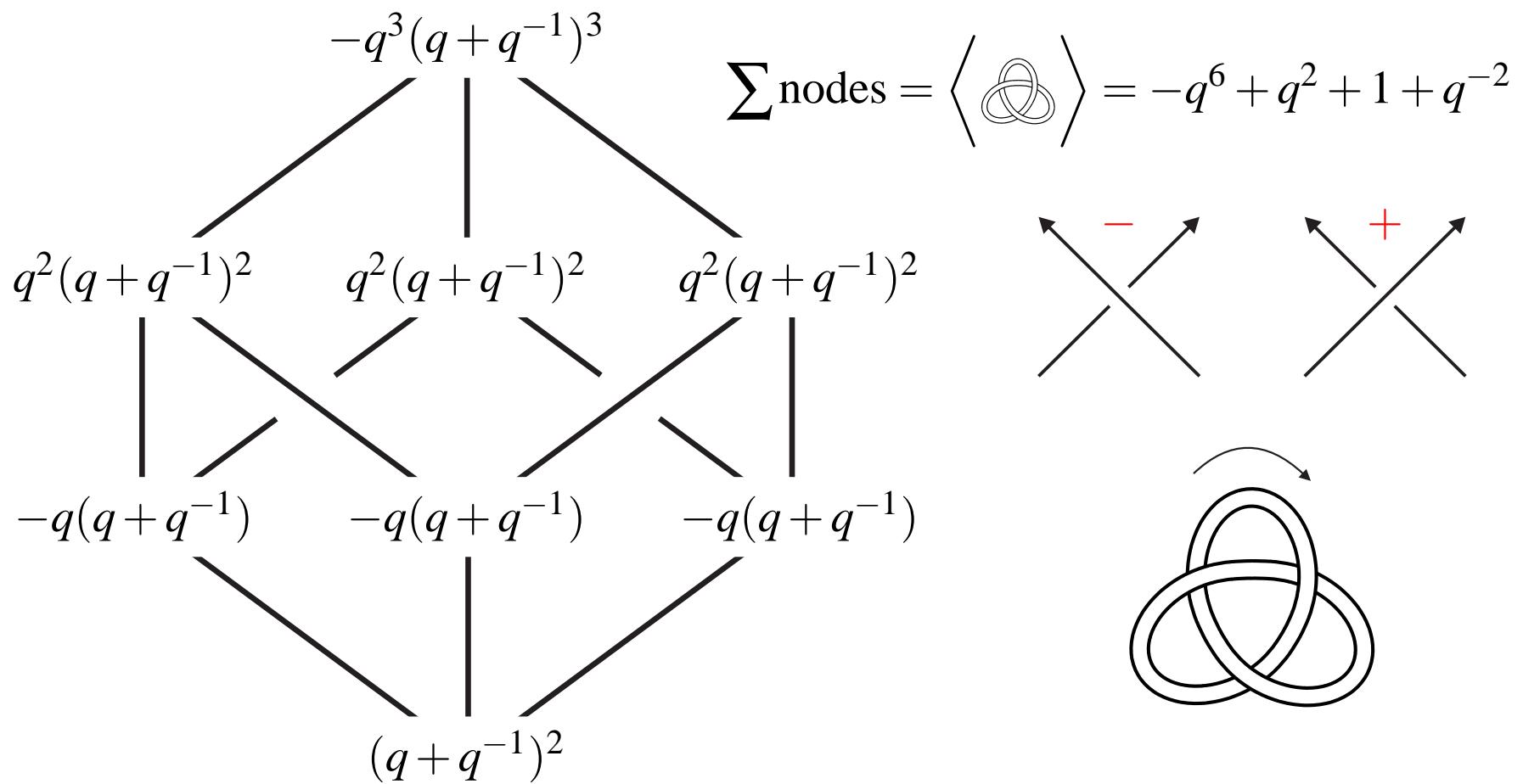


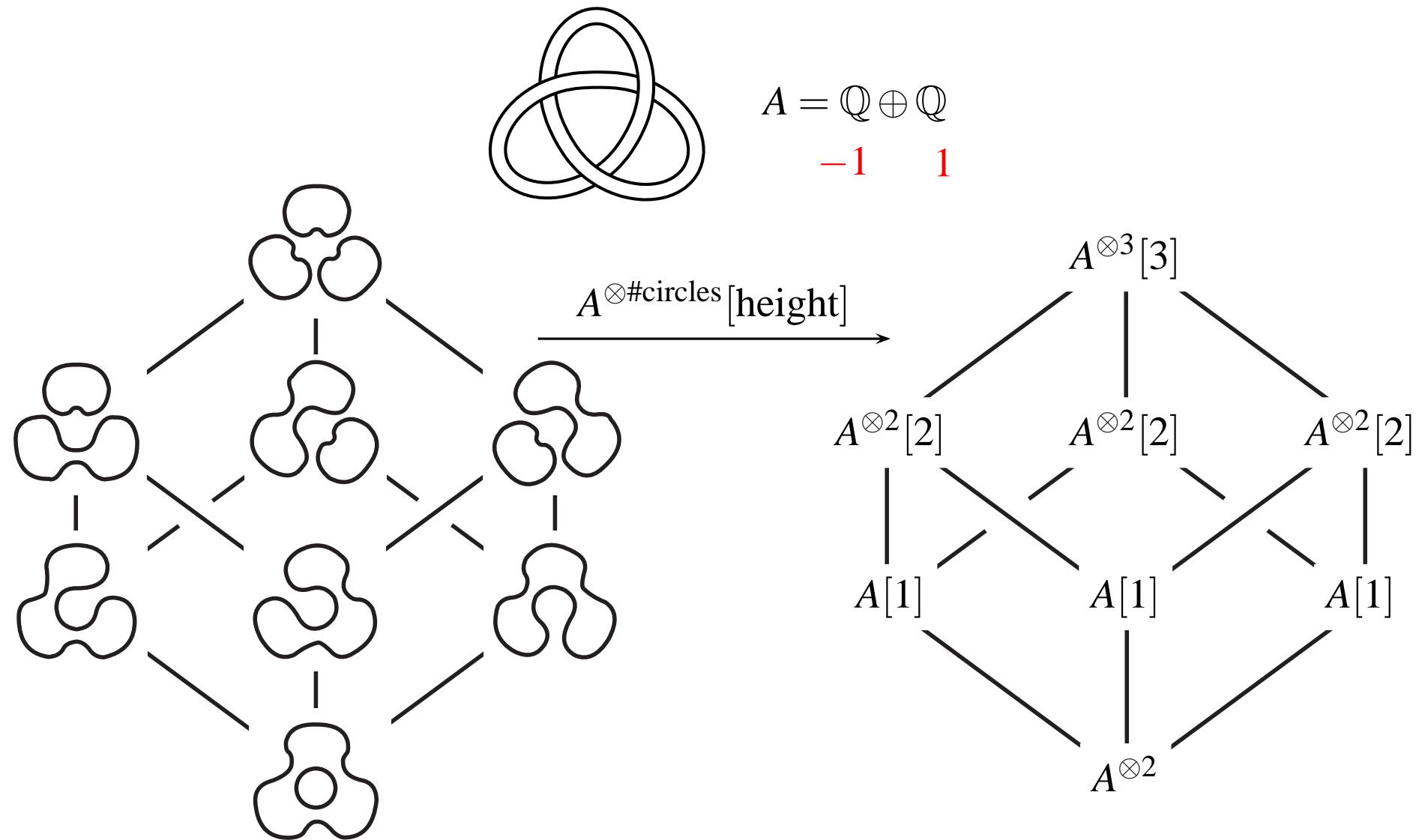
Knots, posets and sheaves

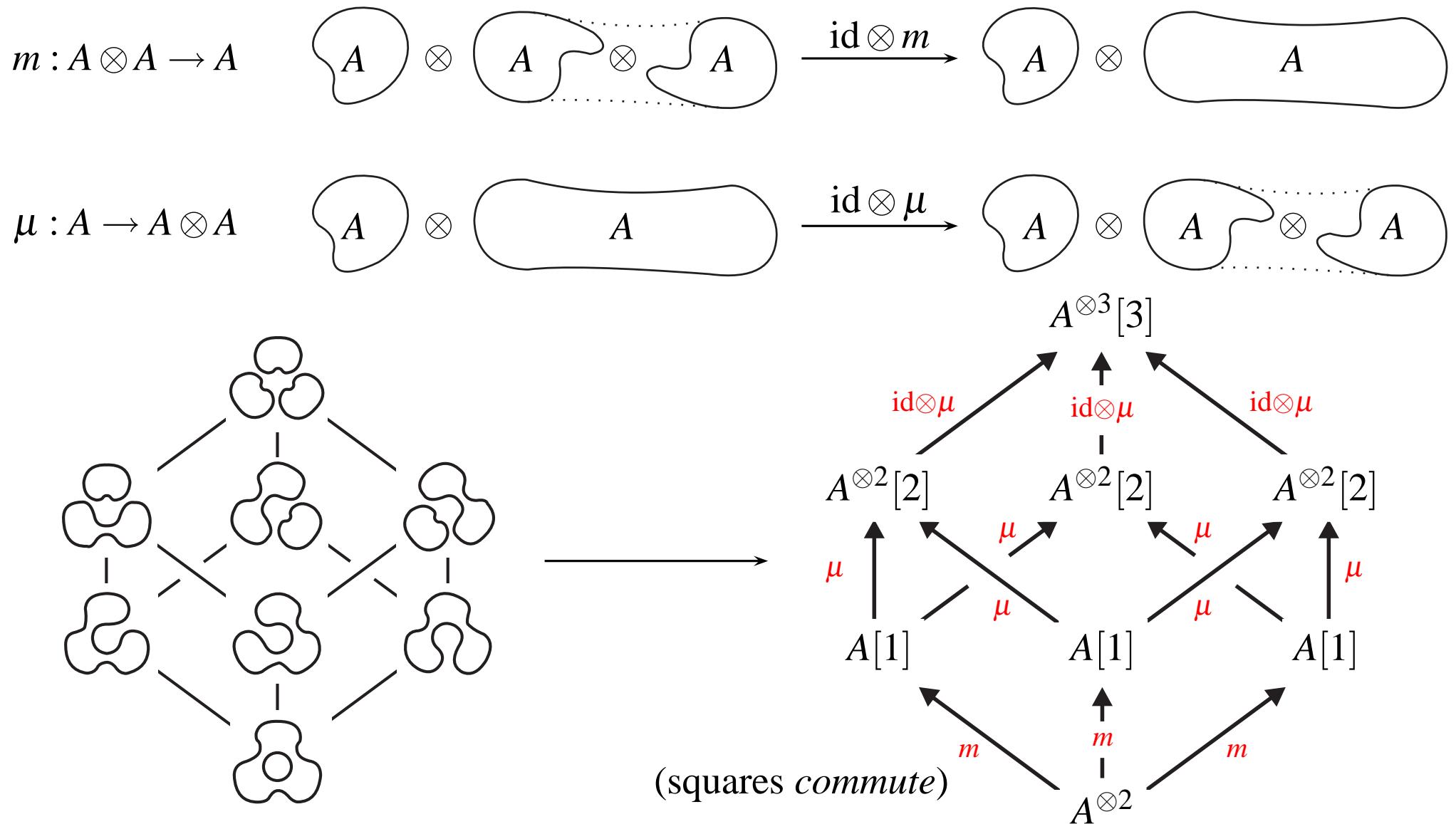
Brent Everitt (York) –joint with Paul Turner (Fribourg)

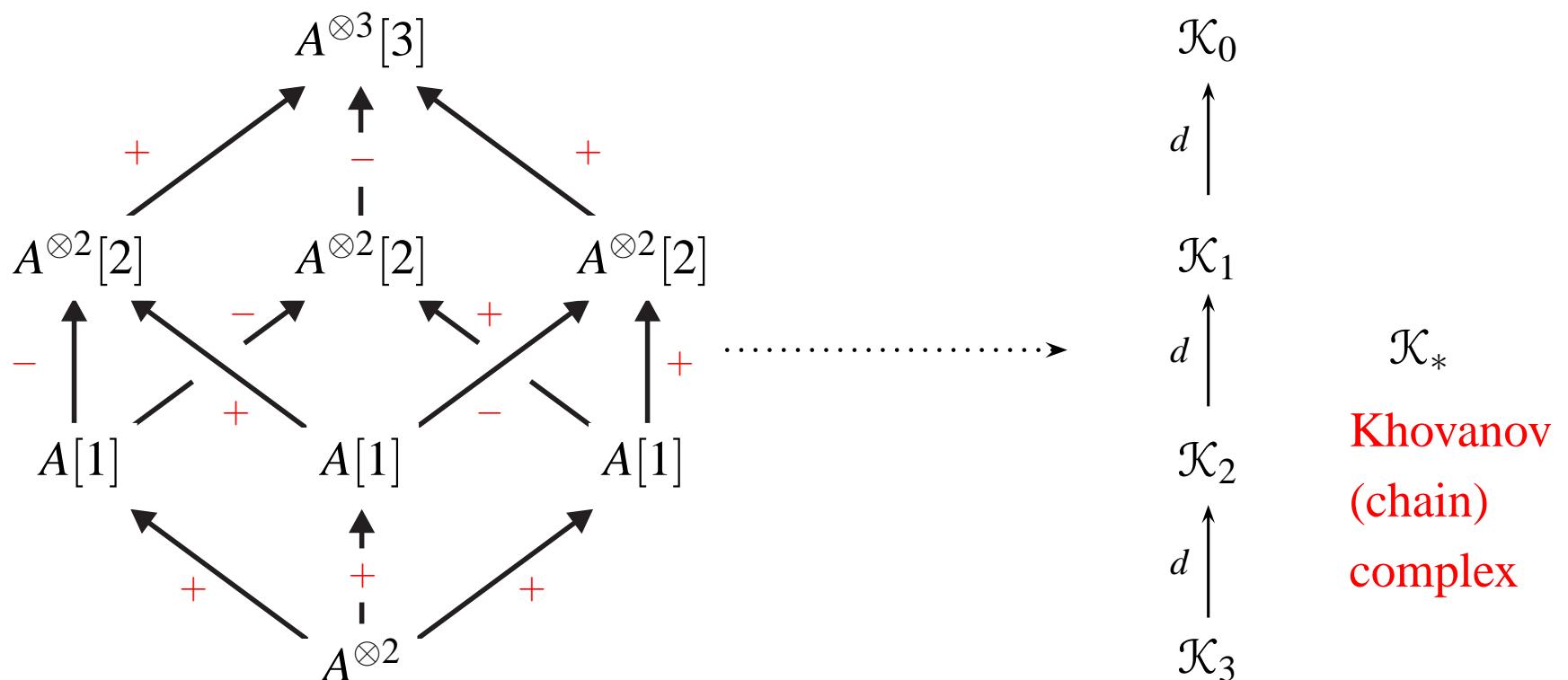


$$J\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Trefoil knot} \\ (\text{Jones}) \end{array}\right) = \frac{1}{(q + q^{-1})} \widehat{J}\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Trefoil knot} \\ (\text{unnormalized Jones}) \end{array}\right) \leftarrow (-1)^{n_-} q^{n_+ - 2n_-} \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \text{Trefoil knot} \\ (\text{Kauffman bracket}) \end{array} \right\rangle$$



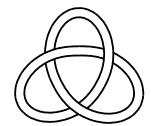






add \pm 's to edge maps so squares *anticommute*

Khovanov homology $KH_*\left(\text{trefoil knot}, \mathbb{Q}\right) = H_*(\mathcal{K}_*)$



	6	4	2	0	-2	$q\dim$
KH_0	\mathbb{Q}					q^6
KH_1			\mathbb{Q}			q^2
KH_2						0
KH_3				\mathbb{Q}	\mathbb{Q}	$1 + q^{-2}$

Euler characteristic $\chi(\mathcal{K}_*)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum (-1)^i q\dim KH_i \left(\text{Trefoil knot}, \mathbb{Q} \right) \\
 &= q^6 - q^2 - 1 - q^{-2}
 \end{aligned}$$

minor miracle: KH_* an invariant (after a bit of nudging)

What's the point?

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$$KH_* \left(\text{Knot} \right)$$

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- $\text{Jones} \left(\text{Knot} \right) = \text{Jones} \left(\text{Knot} \right)$

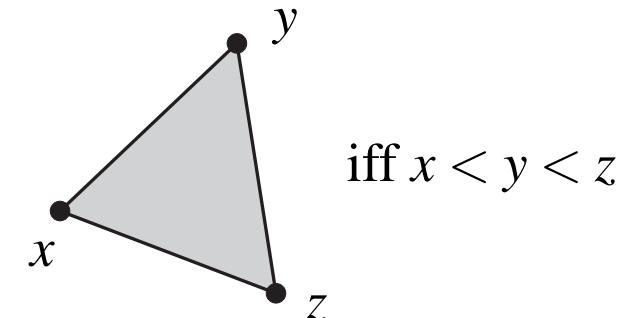
- FUNCTORIAL!!

$$KH_* \left(\text{Knot} \right)$$

- poset $P \longrightarrow |P|$ order (simplicial) complex.

- **poset homology** = simplicial homology of $|P|$

ie: $H_*(P, R) := H_*(|P|, R)$ = homology of chain complex



$$C_n(P, R) = \bigoplus_{x_0 < \dots < x_n} R$$

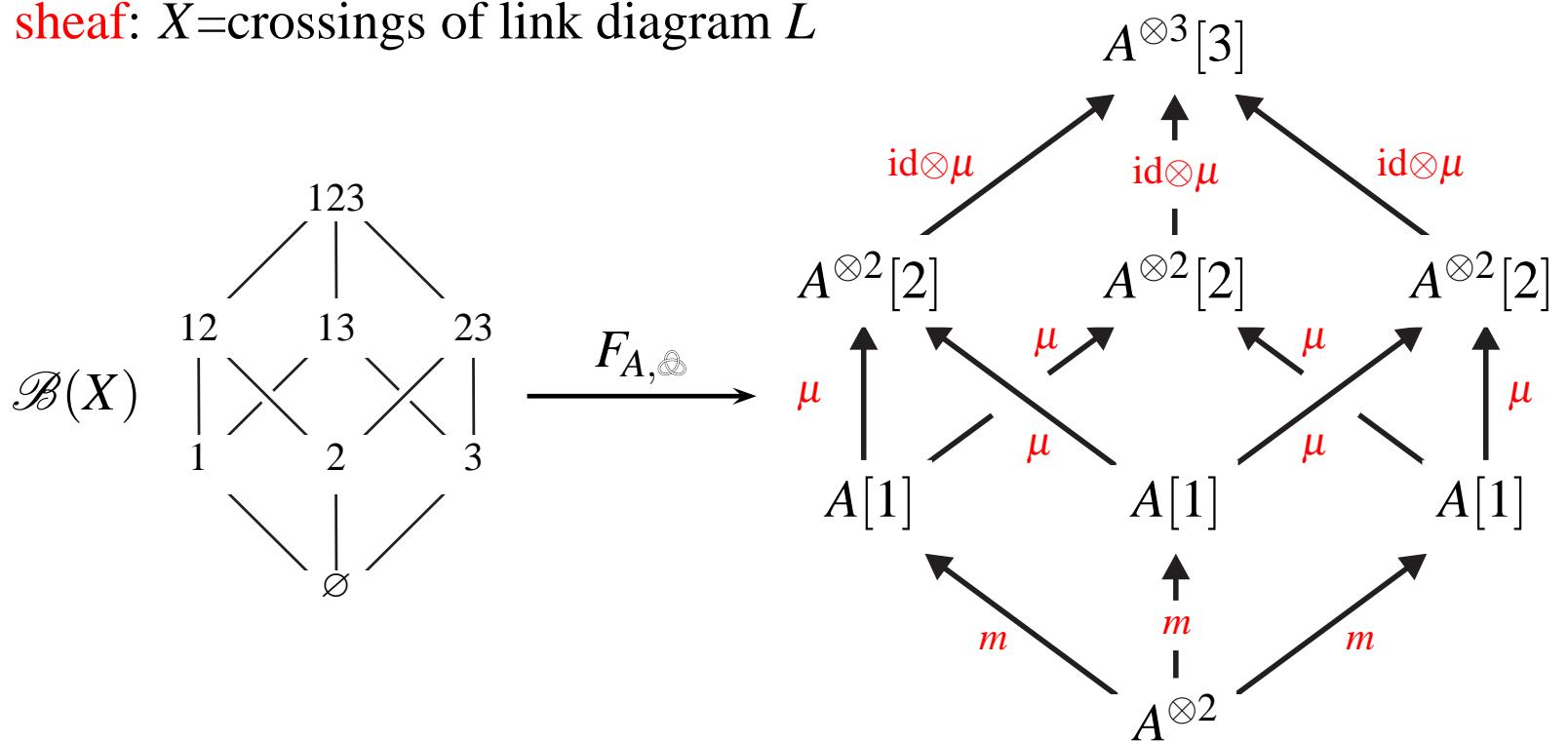
with differential $d : C_n(P, R) \rightarrow C_{n-1}(P, R)$

$$\lambda \cdot (x_0 < \dots < x_n) \xmapsto{d} \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j \lambda \cdot (x_0 < \dots < \widehat{x_j} < \dots < x_n)$$

- Eg: [Folkman-Björner] P finite geometric lattice

$$\widetilde{H}_n(P \setminus \{0, 1\}, \mathbb{Z}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}^{|\mu(0,1)|} & n = \text{rk} P - 2, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- $P \xrightarrow{F} R\text{-mod}$ (covariant) functor (= pre-cosheaf of modules over P)
- Eg: **Khovanov sheaf**: X =crossings of link diagram L

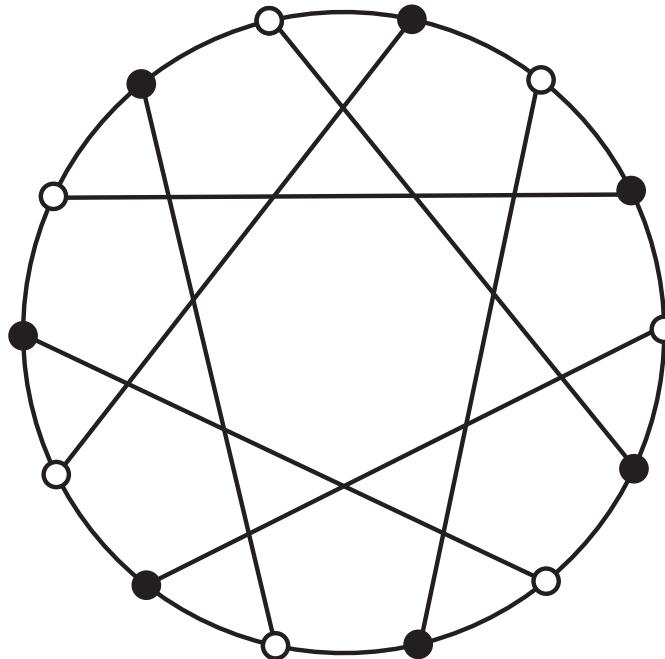


- Eg: **sheaf on a building**: poset of flags in V (a finite dimensional k -space)

$$(V_1 \subset \cdots \subset V_n) \leq (U_1 \subset \cdots \subset U_m) \Leftrightarrow \text{each } V_i = \text{some } U_j$$

sheaf:

$$F(V_1 \subset \cdots \subset V_n) = V_n \text{ and } F[(V_1 \subset \cdots \subset V_n) \leq (U_1 \subset \cdots \subset U_m)] = V_n \hookrightarrow U_m$$



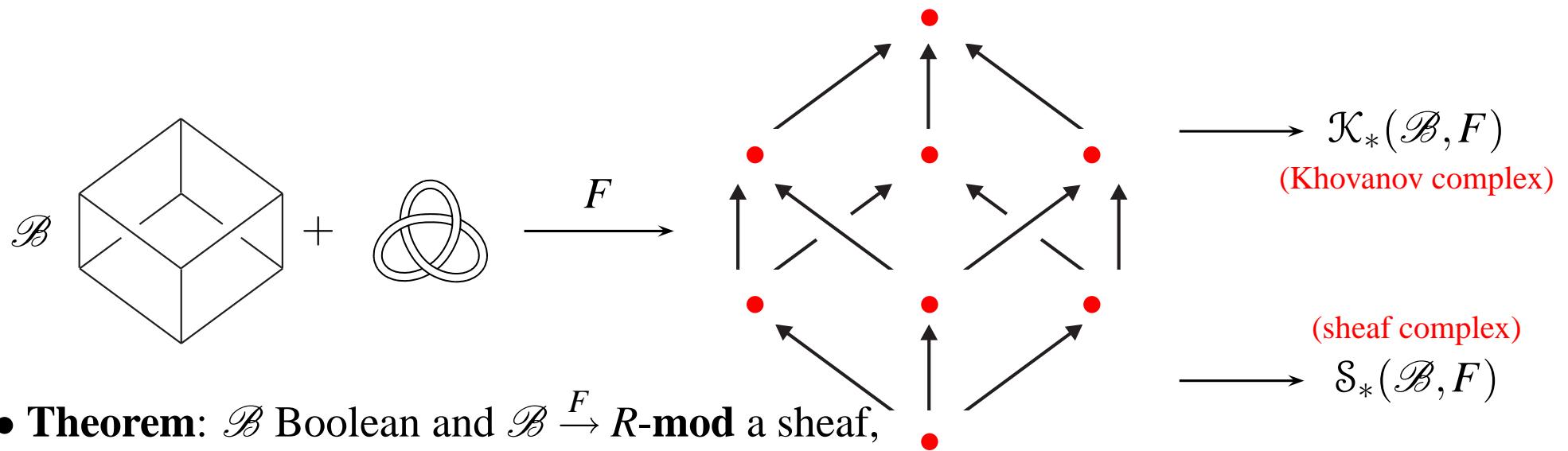
V 3-dimensional over $k = \mathbb{F}_2$

- $P \xrightarrow{F} R\text{-}\mathbf{mod}$ sheaf
- **sheaf homology** $\mathcal{H}_*(P, F) = \text{homology of chain complex}$

$$\mathcal{S}_n(P, F) = \bigoplus_{x_0 < \dots < x_n} F(x_0)$$

with differential $d : \mathcal{S}_n(P, F) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{n-1}(P, F)$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \cdot (x_0 < \dots < x_n) &\xmapsto{d} F(x_0 < x_1)(\lambda) \cdot (\widehat{x_0} < x_1 < \dots < x_n) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^j \lambda \cdot (x_0 < \dots < \widehat{x_j} < \dots < x_n) \end{aligned}$$



$$KH_*(\mathcal{B}, F) \cong \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{*-1}(\mathcal{B} \setminus 1, F)$$

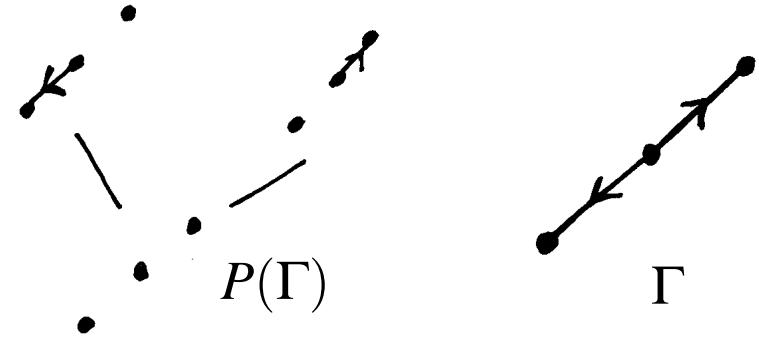
- [generally: one can define a “cellular” homology $H_*^{\text{cell}}(P, F)$:

Theorem: P “cellular” poset and $P \xrightarrow{F} R\text{-mod}$ a sheaf, then

$$H_*^{\text{cell}}(P, F) \cong \mathcal{H}_*(P, F)$$

Eg: P = geometric lattices, cell posets regular CW-complexes, Cohen-Macaulay posets, ...]

- $A = \text{associative } R\text{-algebra}.$
- $P(\Gamma) = \text{quiver poset of directed graph } \Gamma.$



- “homology of A with coefficients in Γ ”
 $:= \mathcal{H}_*(P(\Gamma), F_A)$

$$\bullet P(\Gamma) \xrightarrow{F_A} A \otimes A \quad A \otimes A$$

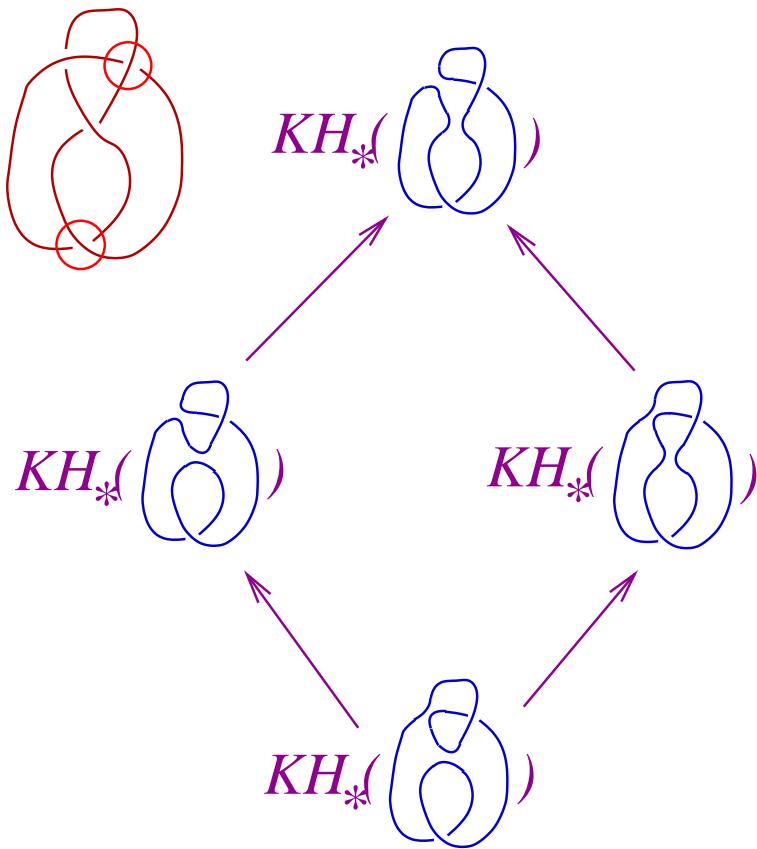
$$\qquad\qquad\qquad A \otimes A \otimes A$$

- **Corollary** [Turner-Wagner]:

$$\mathcal{H}_i(P(n\text{-gon}), F_A) \cong HH_i(A), (0 \leq i \leq n-1)$$

$(HH_*(A) = \text{Hochschild homology})$

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Theorem: There is a spectral sequence

$$E_{p,q}^2 = KH_p(\mathcal{B}, KH_q) \implies KH_{p+q}(-)$$

