

(9.0) Recall: for a finite-dimensional simple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , we defined the quantum affine algebra  $U_q(\hat{\mathfrak{g}})$  as the quantum group associated to the Kac-Moody algebra  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}$ . We introduced the Drinfeld's new presentation of  $U_q(\hat{\mathfrak{g}})$  and  $U_q(L\mathfrak{g})$  (quantum loop algebra) as a sub-quotient of  $U_q(\hat{\mathfrak{g}})$ :

$$U' = \text{subalg. gen. by all the other generators except } d$$

$$U_q(L\mathfrak{g}) = U' / \langle c \rangle$$

Summary

<p>Kac-Moody presentation</p> $\{e_i, f_i, h_i\}_{i \in \hat{I}}$ $(c = h_0 + \sum_{i \in \hat{I}} m_i h_i = 0)$	<p>Beck's iso.</p> $\rightsquigarrow$	<p>Loop presentation</p> $\{E_{i,k}, H_{i,k}, F_{i,k}\}_{i \in \hat{I}, k \in \mathbb{Z}}$
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Isomorphism between the two presentations uses the action of extended affine braid group.

We also introduced the generating series (or fields)

$$\psi_i^\pm(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \psi_{i, \pm k}^\pm z^{\mp k} = K_i^{\pm 1} \exp\left(\pm (q_i - q_i^{-1}) \sum_{n \geq 1} H_{i, \pm n} z^{\mp n}\right)$$

$$E_i(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} E_n z^{-n} = E_i^+(z) - \bar{E}_i(z) \quad \text{when} \quad E_i^+(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} E_n z^{-n} \quad (\text{similarly } F_i)$$

$$\bar{E}_i(z) = -\sum_{n \geq 1} E_{-n} z^n$$

Rationality: on a f.d. repn,  $\psi_i^\pm(z)$  (resp.  $E_i^\pm(z), F_i^\pm(z)$ ) are expansions at  $\infty$  and 0 of a rational function  $\psi_i(z)$  (resp.  $e_i(z), f_i(z)$ ).



Isomorphism.  $KM \longrightarrow \text{Loop}$  is computed as ③

$$E_0 = e, \quad F_0 = f, \quad H_0 = h \quad \leftarrow \text{copy of original } \mathcal{U}_q \mathfrak{sl}_2.$$

$$E_{-1} = Y \cdot e = \pi(T_1 e) = -f_0 k_1^{-1}$$

$$F_1 = Y \cdot f = \pi(T_1 f) = -k_1 e_0$$

Transferring coproduct: 
$$\Delta(E_{-1}) = - (f_0 \otimes 1 + k_0^{-1} \otimes f_0) (k_1^{-1} \otimes k_1^{-1})$$

$$= E_{-1} \otimes k_1^{-1} + 1 \otimes E_{-1}$$

$$\Delta(F_1) = -k_1 \otimes k_1 (e_0 \otimes k_0 + 1 \otimes e_0) = F_1 \otimes 1 + k_1 \otimes F_1.$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta(H_1) = H_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes H_1 - (q^2 - q^{-2}) E_0 \otimes F_1$$

$$\Delta(H_{-1}) = H_{-1} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes H_{-1} + (q^2 - q^{-2}) E_{-1} \otimes F_0$$

Evaluation homomorphism: for each  $S \in \mathbb{C}^*$ , we have  $ev_S: \mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$

algebra hom given by  $ev_S(E_{-1}) = q S^{-1} k_1^{-1} e$

$$ev_S(F_1) = q^{-1} S f k$$

Pull-back representations: let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and let  $L_n$  be irr.  $(n+1)$ -dim'l  $\mathcal{U}_q \mathfrak{sl}_2$ -repn:

$L_n(S) = ev_S^* L_n$  is then a f.d. repn. of  $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ .

Compute how the generating series act.

Step 1.  $KH_1 = [E_0, F_1]$ . 
$$H_1 m(r) = \frac{S}{q - q^{-1}} \left( -q^{n+1} - q^{-n-1} + [2] q^{n-2r} \right) m(r)$$

$\Rightarrow$  For an operator  $X: \mathbb{C}^{m(r)} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{m(r-1)}$

$$\frac{ad H_1}{[2]} X = S q^{n-2r+1} X$$

Step 2. 
$$e(z) = \left( z - \frac{ad H_1}{[2]} \right)^{-1} z E_0 \Rightarrow e(z) m(r) = \frac{[n-r+1] z}{z - S q^{n-2r+1}} m(r-1)$$

Similarly 
$$f(z) m(r) = \frac{[r+1] z}{z - S q^{n-2r-1}} m(r+1)$$

Final step 
$$\psi(z) = \psi_0 + [e(z), f_0] \Rightarrow \psi(z) m(r) = q^{n-2r} \frac{(z - q S)^{n+1} (z - q^{-1} S)^{-n-1}}{(z - q^{n-2r-1} S) (z - q^{n-2r+1} S)} m(r)$$

Tensor product  $\mathbb{C}_{S_1}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{S_2}^2$  : basis  $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$   $|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$   $|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$   $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$  (4)

From previous example ( $n=1$ ) we have

$$H_1 |\uparrow\rangle_S = \frac{S}{q-\bar{q}'} (-q^2 - \bar{q}'^2 + (q+\bar{q}')q) |\uparrow\rangle_S = \bar{q}' S |\uparrow\rangle_S$$

$$H_1 |\downarrow\rangle_S = \frac{S}{q-\bar{q}'} (-q^2 - \bar{q}'^2 + (q+\bar{q}')\bar{q}') |\downarrow\rangle_S = -q S |\downarrow\rangle_S$$

$$|\uparrow\rangle \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{F_0} \\ \xleftarrow{E_0} \end{matrix} |\downarrow\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad E_{-1} |\downarrow\rangle_S = \bar{S} |\uparrow\rangle_S \quad F_1 |\uparrow\rangle_S = S |\downarrow\rangle_S$$

$$H_1 |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = (\bar{q}' S_1 - q S_2) |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$$

$$H_1 |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = (-q S_1 + \bar{q}' S_2) |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle - (q^2 - \bar{q}'^2) S_2 |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$$

$$H_1 |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle = \bar{q}' (S_1 + S_2) |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \quad H_1 |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = -q (S_1 + S_2) |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$$

For an operator  $X: \mathbb{C}|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{C}|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \oplus \mathbb{C}|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$  (say  $X|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = x_1|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + x_2|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$ )

$$\frac{\text{ad} H_1}{[2]} \cdot X |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = (S_1 x_1 - (q - \bar{q}') S_2 x_2) |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + S_2 x_2 |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow e(z) |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = \frac{z(\bar{q}' z - q S_2)}{(z - S_1)(z - S_2)} |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + \frac{z}{z - S_2} |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$$

Similarly for an operator  $X: \mathbb{C}|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \oplus \mathbb{C}|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{C}|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$  (say  $X|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle = x_1|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$   
 $X|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = x_2|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$ )

$$\frac{\text{ad} H_1}{[2]} \cdot X : |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = S_2 x_1 |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

$$|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = (S_1 x_2 + (q - \bar{q}') S_2 x_1) |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow e(z) |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = \frac{z}{z - S_2} |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

$$e(z) |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = \frac{z(qz - \bar{q}' S_2)}{(z - S_1)(z - S_2)} |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

(9.3) Classification of finite-dimensional irreducible representations. ⑤

Let  $V$  be a f.d. irr. repr. of  $U_q(\mathcal{L}\mathfrak{g})$ . Let  $V^\circ = \{v \in V \mid E_{i,k} v = 0 \forall i \in I, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Since  $\{\psi_{i,\pm k}^{\pm}\}$  preserve this, we can find a common eigenvector for these

$$0 \neq v \in V^\circ \quad \psi_{i,\pm k}^{\pm} v = \lambda_{i,\pm k}^{\pm} v \quad (\lambda_{i,\pm k}^{\pm} \in \mathbb{C})$$

We know that  $\psi_i^{\pm}(z) v = (\text{rat'l fn, say } \psi_i(z)) v$

Thm.  $\exists!$  monic polynomials  $P_i(w) \in \mathbb{C}[w]$ ;  $P_i(0) \neq 0$  s.t.

$$\psi_i(z) v = q_i^{-\deg P_i} \frac{P_i(q_i^2 z)}{P_i(z)} v \quad \forall i \in I$$

Conversely every  $I$ -tuple of monic polynomials with nonzero constant term gives rise to a unique f.d. irr. repr. of  $U_q(\mathcal{L}\mathfrak{g})$

Summary.

Iso. classes of irr. f.d. reps. of  $U_q(\mathcal{L}\mathfrak{g}) \iff \mathbb{C}_0[w]^I$  where

$$\mathbb{C}_0[w] = \{P \in \mathbb{C}[w] : P \text{ is monic, } P(0) \neq 0\}$$

Proof will follow from future constructions.

Example:  $L_n(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \in \text{Rep}_{\text{f.d.}}(U_q(\mathcal{L}\mathfrak{sl}_2))$  is irr

$$\psi(z) m_n(0) = q^n \frac{z - q^{-n-1} \mathfrak{z}}{z - q^{n-1} \mathfrak{z}} m_n(0)$$

$$= q^n \frac{(z - q^{n-3} \mathfrak{z}) \dots (z - q^{-n-1} \mathfrak{z})}{(z - q^{n-1} \mathfrak{z}) \dots (z - q^{-n+1} \mathfrak{z})} = q^{-n} \frac{(q^2 z - q \mathfrak{z}) \dots (q^2 z - q \mathfrak{z})}{(z - q \mathfrak{z}) \dots (z - q \mathfrak{z})}$$

$$\text{Drinfeld poly} = \prod_{r=0}^{n-1} (z - q^{n-1-2r} \mathfrak{z})$$

(9.4)  $\text{Rep}_{fd}(\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2))$  is not semisimple. ⑥

Example.  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$

(1) Consider the repn.  $\mathbb{C}_5^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{q^2 5}^2$ . Let  $v = -q|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$

$$H_1 v = (-q(\bar{q}^1 5 - q^3 5) - (q^2 - \bar{q}^2) q^2 5) |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + (-q 5 + q 5) |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = 0$$

$$e(z)v = \left( \frac{-qz}{z - q^2 5} + \frac{qz(z-5)}{(z-5)(z-q^2 5)} \right) |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle = 0$$

Similarly  $f(z)v = 0$  and  $\psi(z)v = v$ . Thus  $\mathbb{C}v$  is (trivial) subrepn of  $\mathbb{C}_5^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{q^2 5}^2$ . Let  $V =$  quotient repn ( $|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = q|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We get } e(z)|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle &= \left[ \frac{qz}{z - q^2 5} + \frac{z(q^1 z - q^3 5)}{(z-5)(z-q^2 5)} \right] |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \\ &= \frac{qz^2 - qz5 + \bar{q}^1 z^2 - q^3 z 5}{(z-5)(z-q^2 5)} |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = \frac{(z-q^2 5)[2]z}{(z-5)(z-q^2 5)} |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \\ &= \frac{[2]z}{z-5} |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } e(z)|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle = \frac{z}{z-q^2 5} |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle.$$

$\Rightarrow V \cong L_2(q5)$ . We get a non-split short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow L_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_5^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{q^2 5}^2 \rightarrow \begin{matrix} V \\ \cong \\ L_2(q5) \end{matrix} \rightarrow 0$$

↑  
trivial repn

(2) Similarly consider  $\mathbb{C}_{q^2 5}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_5^2$

Check:  $\{|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle, \bar{q}^1|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle, |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle\}$  Span a subrepn  $\cong L_2(q5)$

Quotient is trivial repn

$$0 \rightarrow L_2(qS) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_{q^2 S}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_S^2 \rightarrow L_0 \rightarrow 0$$

another non-split short exact sequence

Cor.  $\mathbb{C}_S^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{q^2 S}^2 \neq \mathbb{C}_{q^2 S}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_S^2$

How to fix this?

(3) See the example of  $\mathbb{C}_{S_1}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{S_2}^2$ . Let us try to construct an iso.  $\mathbb{C}_{S_1}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{S_2}^2 \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}_{S_2}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}_{S_1}^2$  which maps highest weight (resp. lowest weight) vector to h.w. (resp. l.w. vector)

$$|\downarrow_{S_1} \downarrow_{S_2}\rangle \longmapsto |\downarrow_{S_2} \downarrow_{S_1}\rangle$$

Apply  $E_0$  and  $E_1$  to both sides

$$\bar{q}^{-1} |\uparrow_{S_1} \downarrow_{S_2}\rangle + |\downarrow_{S_1} \uparrow_{S_2}\rangle \longmapsto \bar{q}^{-1} |\uparrow_{S_2} \downarrow_{S_1}\rangle + |\downarrow_{S_2} \uparrow_{S_1}\rangle$$

$$q \bar{S}_1^{-1} |\uparrow_{S_1} \downarrow_{S_2}\rangle + \bar{S}_2^{-1} |\downarrow_{S_1} \uparrow_{S_2}\rangle \longmapsto q \bar{S}_2^{-1} |\uparrow_{S_2} \downarrow_{S_1}\rangle + \bar{S}_1^{-1} |\downarrow_{S_2} \uparrow_{S_1}\rangle$$

This system can be solved to get:

$$|\uparrow_{S_1} \downarrow_{S_2}\rangle \longmapsto \frac{-S_1(q - \bar{q}^{-1})}{\bar{q}^{-1} S_1 - q S_2} |\uparrow \downarrow\rangle + \frac{(S_1 - S_2)}{\bar{q}^{-1} S_1 - q S_2} |\downarrow \uparrow\rangle$$

$$|\downarrow \uparrow\rangle \longmapsto \frac{S_1 - S_2}{\bar{q}^{-1} S_1 - q S_2} |\uparrow \downarrow\rangle - \frac{S_2(q - \bar{q}^{-1})}{\bar{q}^{-1} S_1 - q S_2} |\downarrow \uparrow\rangle$$

Pole at  $S_1 = q^2 S_2$  and zero at  $S_1 = \bar{q}^{-2} S_2$ .