## Periodic Monopoles and qOpers

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## Geometric Langlands Correspondence

#### Let C be Riemann surface. Then there is a conjectured equivalence

geometric Langlands

$$\mathcal{D}\mathrm{mod}(\mathrm{Bun}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C}))\simeq'\mathrm{QCoh}'(\mathrm{Loc}_{{}^{L}\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C}))$$

Beilinson, Deligne, Drinfeld, Laumon

Arinkin, Gaitsgory, Frenkel, Lafforgue, Lurie, Mircovic, Vilonen

talk by Donagi

geometric Langlands as a mirror symmetry

$$A_{\epsilon^{-1}\Omega_I}(\operatorname{Hit}_{G}(C)) \simeq B_{J_{\epsilon}}(\operatorname{Hit}_{{}^{L}G}(C))$$

Hitchin, Hausel, Thaddeus, Donagi, Pantev, Arinkin, Bezrukavnikov, Braverman Bershadsky,Johansen,Sadov,Vafa Kapustin,Witten Teschner

#### geometric Langlands as a A-B mirror

$$A_{\epsilon^{-1}\Omega_I}(\operatorname{Hit}_G(C)) \simeq B_{J_{\epsilon}}(\operatorname{Hit}_{{}^LG}(C))$$

In particular

$$\mathcal{B}_{\mathsf{cc-brane}}(A_{\epsilon^{-1}\Omega_I}) \leftrightarrow \mathcal{B}_{\mathsf{opers}}(B_{J_\epsilon})$$

 $\mathcal{B}_{cc-brane}$  is the A-model canonical space-filling brane [Kapustin-Orlov] = 'quantized algebra of functions on  $T^*Bun_G$ ' = the sheaf  $\mathcal{D}$  in  $\mathcal{D}mod(Bun_G)$ 

 $\mathcal{B}_{opers} := mirror(\mathcal{B}_{cc-brane})$ The  $\mathcal{B}_{cc-brane}$  is holomorphic Lagrangian brane in  $\operatorname{Hit}_{{}^{L}G, J_{e}}$  In the limit  $\epsilon = 0$  (see talk by Donagi) we have

'baby' geometric Langlands as B-B model mirror

 $B_I(\operatorname{Hit}_G(C)) \simeq B_I(\operatorname{Hit}_{L_G}(C))$ 



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 $\mathcal{B}_{\mathsf{opers}}$  is HyperKahler rotation of  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathsf{Hitchin}\ \mathsf{section}}$  in the limit

$$\zeta_{\text{twistor}} = \epsilon R, \qquad R \to 0$$

where  $R \in \mathbb{R}_+$  rescales the Higgs field in the real moment map  $\omega_I$ 

$$F_A - R^2 \phi \wedge \phi = 0$$

Gaoitto, Moore, Neitzke

Gaiotto

Dumitrescu, Fredrickson, Rydonakis, Mazzeo, Mulase, Neitzke

In this limit  $\operatorname{Hit}_{L_{G,J_{\epsilon}}}$  as a complex space is the space of flat  $\epsilon$ -holomorphic connections

$$\operatorname{Loc}_{L_{G}}(C)_{J_{\epsilon}} = \{G \text{-bundle on } C, \epsilon \text{-connection } \epsilon \partial_{z} + A_{z}\}$$
 (2)

## quantum geometric Langlands

#### Feigin, Frenkel, Gaitsgory, Kapustin, Witten

quantum geometric Langlands as a A-A mirror

$$egin{aligned} &\mathcal{A}_{\epsilon_1^{-1}\Omega_{J_{\epsilon_2}}}(\mathrm{Hit}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C}))\simeq\mathcal{A}_{\epsilon_2^{-1}\Omega_{J_{\epsilon_1}}}(\mathrm{Hit}_{{}^{L}\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C}))\ &\mathcal{W}_{eta}(\mathfrak{g})\simeq\mathcal{W}_{{}^{L}eta}({}^{L}\mathfrak{g}) \end{aligned}$$

where

$${}^{L}\beta = -\frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2} = r({}^{L}k + {}^{L}h^{\vee}) = \frac{1}{k+h^{\vee}} = \frac{r}{\beta}$$

• 
$$W_{\beta=\infty}({}^{L}\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{B}_{L_{\mathfrak{g}, \mathsf{opers}}}(\mathbb{C}^{\times})) \simeq Z(U_{-h^{\vee}}(\hat{\mathfrak{g}}))$$
  
•  $W_{\beta}({}^{L}\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\beta^{-1}}(\mathcal{B}_{L_{\mathfrak{g}, \mathsf{opers}}}(\mathbb{C}^{\times}))$ 

 $W_{\rm g}\text{-}{\rm algebra}$  is quantization of the Poisson algebra of functions on  $\mathcal{B}_{\rm g,opers}(\mathbb{C}^{\times})$  with quantization parameter  $\beta^{-1}$  Kostant, Drinfeld-Sokolov, Feigin-Frenkel

Depending on parameters  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2$  we are dealing with different level of complexity of geometric Langlands duality:

- 'baby' geometric Langlands:  $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = 0$ classical Hitchin integrable system
- 'quantum' geometric Langlands: ε<sub>1</sub> ≠ 0, ε<sub>2</sub> ≠ 0
  2d CFT / chiral vertex algebra / associative W-algebra

Dealing with representation theory of  $U\hat{g}$ , differential equations, KZ equations, CFT conformal blocks, 4d Nekrasov partition functions

## Class S-theory in $\Omega$ -background



The class S theory on  $\Omega$ -background  $X_4 = \mathbb{C}^2_{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2}$ gives us a microscope to nail down geometric Langlands

Nekrasov,Shatashivili Alday,Gaiotto,Tachikawa Gaiotto,Moore,Neitzke Teschner Kapustin, Witten Nekrasov.Witten (c.f. Feigin, Frenkel, Reshetikhin, more recently Aganagic, Frenkel, Okounkov and Saponov)

- $G \simeq {}^L G$  a compact Langlands self-dual Lie group
- C a flat Riemann surface, e.g. C is  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}^*$  or  $\mathcal{E}$
- $Mon_G(C \times S^1)$  is the moduli space of G-monopoles on  $C \times S^1$  with prescribed singularities at a coweight colored divisor on C
- flat action of abelian group  $\mathbb C$  on C, so that  $\epsilon \in \mathbb C$  acts by shift

$$z \mapsto z + \epsilon$$

where C is identified with  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$ , or  $\mathbb{C}/(\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z})$ 

• a constant section dz of  $K_C$ ; it induces holomorphic symplectic form  $\Omega_I$  on  $Mon_G(C \times S^1)$ 

## Proposal for q-geometric Langlands

Conjecturally there are equivalences of the (derived) categories associated to the hyperKahler moduli space of periodic monopoles  $Mon_G(C \times S^1)$ 

'baby' q-geometric Langlands is B-B mirror

$$B_I(\operatorname{Mon}_G(C \times S^1)) \simeq B_I(\operatorname{Mon}_{{}^LG}(C \times_{\epsilon_1} S^1))$$

'ordinary' q-geometric Langlands is A-B mirror

$$\mathcal{A}_{\epsilon_1^{-1}\Omega_I}(\operatorname{Mon}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C} imes \mathcal{S}^1))\simeq \mathcal{B}(\operatorname{Mon}_{{}^{L}\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C} imes_{\epsilon_1}\mathcal{S}^1))$$

'quantum' q-geometric Langlands is A-A mirror

$$\mathcal{A}_{\epsilon_1^{-1}\Omega_{J_{\epsilon_2}}}(\mathrm{Mon}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C}\times_{\epsilon_2}\mathcal{S}^1))\simeq \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon_2^{-1}\Omega_{J_{\epsilon_1}}}(\mathrm{Mon}_{^{L}\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C}\times_{\epsilon_1}\mathcal{S}^1))$$

Here  $C \times_{\epsilon_1} S^1$  is C fibered over  $S^1$  with a twist  $\epsilon$ .

Type of 
$$C = Jac(\check{C})$$

Č C	$\check{\mathcal{E}}_{cusp}$	$\check{\mathcal{E}}_{nod} \ \mathbb{C}^*$	Ě E
	4d	5d	6d
	rational	trigonometric	elliptic
	cohomology	K-theory	elliptic cohomology
	Yangian algebra	quantum affine algebra	elliptic quantum group
	difference	q-difference	elliptic q-difference

q-lift / categorification / K-theory version of various objects of (quantum) geometric Langlands and CFT.

## Integrable system of periodic monopoles

#### Phase space

The space  $Mon_G(C \times S^1)_I$  is the holomorphic phase space of integrable system of group valued Higgs bundles on C



Group Higgs bundles

 $\operatorname{Mon}_{G}(C \times S^{1})_{I} = \{G \text{-bundle on } C, \text{ meromorphic section } g \text{ of } Ad_{G} \text{ bundle} \}$ 

Let G be simply connected simple Lie group.

#### Hamiltonians

The ring of commuting Hamiltonians is generated by fundamental characters  $\chi_{R_i}(g(z))$  where  $R_i$  denotes the irreducible representation with fundamental highest weight  $\lambda_i$ .

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 $\operatorname{Mon}_{G}(C \times S^{1}_{R})$  is hyperKahler.

There is a family of holomorphic structures on  $Mon_G(C \times S^1)$  fibered over  $\mathbb{CP}^1_{twistor}$ .

There is a convenient description of  $Mon_G(C \times S^1_R)_{\zeta}$  in the limit  $\zeta \to 0, R \to \infty$  with fixed

$$\epsilon = \zeta R$$

aka 'conformal limit' Gaiotto, and talks by Holland and Bridgeland

The resulting complex space  $Mon(C \times S^1)_{J_{\epsilon}}$  is equivalent to the complex space of  $\epsilon$ -difference connections

#### Finite difference $\epsilon$ -connection

 $\operatorname{Mon}_{{}^{L}G}(\mathcal{C} \times S^{1})_{J_{\epsilon}} = \{{}^{L}G\text{-bundle }\mathcal{P} \text{ on } \mathcal{C}, \text{ mero morphism } \epsilon^{*}\mathcal{P} \to \mathcal{P}\}$ 

The space  $\operatorname{Mon}_{\ell G}(C \times S^1)_{J_{\epsilon}}$  is q-geometric Langlands version of the space of flat  $\epsilon$ -connections  $\operatorname{Loc}_{\ell G}(C)_{J_{\epsilon}}$  of the *B*-side of the ordinary geometric Langlands.

## Main question

In the ordinary geometric Langlands the key role plays the question of finding the image  $\mathcal{B}_{opers}$  of the quantization brane  $\mathcal{B}_{cc-brane}$  under the mirror map. The answer leads to effective solution of quantum integrable system.

Beilinson,Drinfeld, Kapustin,Witten, Gukov, Witten, Nekrasov,Rosly,Shatashvili Teschner, Gaiotto, Neitzke-Holland

#### q-geometric Langlands A-B mirror

Can we compute the **q-oper brane**, that is can we find the image of the canonical coisotropic quantization brane

$$\mathcal{B}_{\mathsf{cc-brane}} o \mathcal{B}_{q\operatorname{-oper}}$$

under the q-geometric Langlands equivalence

$$A_{\epsilon_1^{-1}\Omega_I}(\operatorname{Mon}_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C} imes S^1)) o B(\operatorname{Mon}_{{}^L\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{C} imes_{\epsilon_1}S^1))$$
?

#### $(\alpha, \beta)$ coordinates and the generating function $W(\alpha)$ of **q-opers**

To 'compute' Lagrangian brane of **q-opers** means for us to find a suitable system of Darboux coordinates  $(\alpha^i, \beta_i)$  in  $\operatorname{Mon}_{\ell G}(C \times_{\epsilon_1} S^1)$  and the generating function  $W(\alpha)$  such that

$$\beta_i = \frac{\partial W}{\partial \alpha^i}$$

In the case of ordinary  $\mathfrak{sl}_2$  opers on  $\mathbb{P}^1$  with 4 regular singularities the problem has been solved by Nekrasov, Rosly, Shatashvili. The generalization to  $\mathfrak{sl}_n$  opers and irregular punctures has been addressed by Neitzke-Hollands, presented in the talk by Hollands, also see talk by Bridgeland. In this talk we will find the solution of **q-oper** problem.

 Give geometric definition of the space of *q*-difference connections that are **q-opers**

$$\mathcal{B}_{q-opers} \subset \operatorname{Mon}_{{}^{L}G}(\mathcal{C} \times_{\epsilon} S^{1})$$

- 2 Define Darboux coordinates  $(\alpha^i, \beta_i)$  in  $\operatorname{Mon}_{{}^{L}G}(\mathcal{C} \times_{\epsilon} S^1)$
- 3) Present the generating function  ${\cal W}(lpha)$  such that

$$\beta_i = \frac{\partial W}{\partial \alpha^i}$$

is the graph of  $\mathcal{B}_{q\text{-opers}}$ .

The presented technic applies to any compact Lie group G, and any flat curve C, in the talk we consider concrete examples.

## q-oper definition

From now on fix the *q*-difference case  $C = \mathbb{C}^{\times}$ , denote by  $z \in \mathbb{C}^{\times}$  the multiplicative coordinate, and set

$$q=e^\epsilon$$

to be multiplicative shift

 $z \mapsto qz$ 

A q-connection A(z) defines the parallel transport, i.e. q-difference equation on a trivializing section



s(qz) = A(z)s(z)where  $A \in G(\mathbb{C}^*)$  is a

G-valued function of z

c.f. talk by Okounkov

gauge transformation:  $A(z) \rightarrow g(qz)A(z)g(z)^{-1}$  What does it mean for G-group valued q-connection A(z) to be a q-oper? Recall that

A g-oper for g valued connection  $\partial_z + a_z$  comes from Kostant section (Kostant'59-'63)

 $s_{\mathsf{K}}:\mathfrak{g}/G\to\mathfrak{g}$ 

of the adjoint Lie algebra quotient  $\pi : \mathfrak{g} \to g/G$ , see talk by Ben-Zvi.

After fixing a Borel subalgebra, Kostant section yields an element  $a \in \mathfrak{g}$  by its conjugacy class.

#### Example of Kostant section for $\mathfrak{sl}_2$

Let  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$  and fix a conjugacy class  $u = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} x^2$  of a regular  $a \in \mathfrak{g}$ . Then Kostant section is

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The  $\mathfrak{sl}_2$ -oper is a connection of the form  $\partial_z + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , talk Hollands, Ben-Zvi

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Parallel to the work of Kostant'59-'63 for the Lie algebra, there is construction of Steinberg'65 section for the Lie group.

#### Example of Steinberg section for $SL_2$

Let  $G = SL_2$  and fix a conjugacy class  $t_1 = \operatorname{tr} g$  of a regular  $g \in G$ . Then Steinberg section is

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Example of Steinberg section for $SL_n$

Fix a conjugacy class of a regular  $g \in G$  by the fundamental characters  $t_k = \chi_{R_k}(g)$  where  $\chi_{R_k} = \operatorname{tr}_{\Lambda^k \mathbb{C}^n} g$ . Then Steinberg section is

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & t_2 & t_3 & \dots & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Definition of Steinberg section for simple G

Fix  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_- \oplus \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_+$  and let  $e_i \in \mathfrak{g}_+$  be the standard generators of weight  $\alpha_i$  where  $\alpha_i$  are simple roots with  $i = 1 \dots r$ . Let  $s_i \in N(T)$  be the Weyl reflections in simple roots  $\alpha_i$ , in particular  $s_1 \dots s_r$  is Coxeter element. Then an element

$$g(t) = \prod_{i=1}^r s_i \exp(-e_i t_i), \qquad t_i \in \mathbb{C}$$

is Steinberg section: there is an isomorphism (i.e. polynomial map in both directions) between affine spaces of the parameters  $(t_1, \ldots, t_r)$  and the affine space of the fundamental characters  $(\chi_1, \ldots, \chi_r)$ 

#### Caution

#### In the $SL_{r+1}$ example we find

$$t_i = \chi_i, \qquad i = 1 \dots r$$

but in general the map between  $\chi_i$  and  $t_i$  is not identity.



where  $\chi_1$  is vector,  $\chi_2$  is adjoint,  $\chi_3, \chi_4$  are spinors.

## Definition of q-oper

A q-oper in  $\operatorname{Mon}_G(\mathbb{C}^* \times_q S^1)$  on C is the following data

- a reduction of the structure group of the *G*-bundle to a Borel subgroup *B*
- a q-connection A(z) in the form of Steinberg section

$$A(z) = \prod_{i=1}^{r} s_i \exp(-e_i t_i(z))$$

Frenkel, Semenov-Tian-Shansky, Sevostyanov

Example of  $SL_2$  q-oper

$$A(z) = \begin{pmatrix} t_1(z) & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Example of $SL_n$ q-oper

$$A(z) = egin{pmatrix} t_1(z) & t_2(z) & t_3(z) & \dots & 1 \ -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \ 0 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & \dots & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Example of $SO_8$ q-oper

Pick a basis in the fundamental representation of  $SO_8$  such that the metric has the form

/0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0\
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
٥/	0	0	1	0	0	0	0/

and choose the conventional basis of simple roots. Then  $SO_8$  q-oper is

$$A(z) = \begin{pmatrix} t_1(z) & t_2(z) & t_3(z)t_4(z) & t_4(z) & 0 & 0 & -1 & t_3(z) \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -t_4(z) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -t_1(z) & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -t_2(z) & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -t_3(z) & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The Steinberg affine map from the parameters  $(t_1(z), \ldots, t_r(z))$  of Steinberg section to the space of adjoint invariants defined by the fundamental characters  $(\chi_1(z), \ldots, \chi_r(z))$  provides canonical holomorphic isomorphism between the brane of q-opers  $\mathcal{B}_{q-opers}$  and the base of  $\operatorname{Mon}_G(C \times S^1)$  integrable system. The power of Nekrasov, Rosly, Shatashvili construction comes from certain system of distinguished coordinates  $(\alpha, \beta)$  in the character variety  $\operatorname{Char}_{G}(C)$  (representation of the fundamental group  $\pi_{1}(C)$  in G).

#### **Riemann-Hilbert**

The character variety  $\operatorname{Char}_G(C)$  is isomorphic to the space  $\operatorname{Loc}_G(C)$  of the pairs (holomorphic G-bundle, holomorphic flat connection  $\partial_z + a_z$ ) but the isomorphism is complex analytic, rather than algebraic.

This isomorphism requires to compute the monodromies of the flat connection  $(\partial_{\overline{z}}, \partial_z + a_z)$  and is called Riemann-Hilbert correspondence.

## Unwrap the spirals

Similarly, for the  $Mon_G(\mathbb{C}^* \times_q S^1)$  we need to introduce the coordinates  $(\alpha, \beta)$  in the space  $qChar_G(\mathbb{C}^*)$  – the analogue of the character variety.



To construct qChar variety we look at space  $\mathbb{C}^* \times_q S^1$  as the family of spirals $\simeq \mathbb{R}$  fibered over the elliptic curve  $\tilde{C} = \mathbb{C}^*/q^{\mathbb{Z}}$ .

The qChar variety

$$\operatorname{qChar}_{G}(\mathbb{C}^{*}) = \operatorname{Mon}_{G}(\mathcal{E}_{q} \times \mathbb{R}_{t})$$

The holomorphic description is given along the rays  $\mathbb{R}_t$  from  $t = -\infty$  to  $t = +\infty$ .

So we shall look for canonical coordinates  $(\alpha, \beta)$  in the space  $Mon_{\mathcal{G}}(\tilde{\mathcal{C}} \times \mathbb{R})$ .

This space is well-understood after the work of Hitchin on monoles in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . In fact, if  $\tilde{C}$  were  $\mathbb{C}$ 

 $\operatorname{Mon}_{G}(\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{R})_{n} \simeq \operatorname{Maps}_{n}(\mathbb{P}^{1}, G/B)$ 

where the monopole charge *n* takes values in the coroot lattice of *G*. The key idea is that we can filter the solutions to the parallel transport equation along the rays  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$D_t s = 0$$

and construct two flags according to the asymptotics of growth as  $t \to +\infty$  or as  $t \to -\infty$ . Birkhoff,Stokes,Hitchin,Hurtubise,Jarvis, c.f. talk by Hollands. To specify a flag is equivalent to specify a reduction of *G*-bundle structure to *B*-bundle.

## Example of qChar for $SL_2$

For  $SL_2$  charge k monopoles we expect  $Maps(\tilde{C}, \mathbb{P}^1)_k$ , i.e. degree k rational rational functions. Suppose that scattering monodromy from  $t = -\infty$  to  $t = \infty$  modulo B transformations is

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a(z) & b(z) \\ c(z) & d(z) \end{pmatrix}$$

The invariant data is the ratio

$$\frac{b(z)}{a(z)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\beta_i}{z - \alpha_i}$$

where  $\alpha_i \in \tilde{C}$  are locally flat relative to dz, and  $\beta_i$  are the residues.

The system  $(\alpha, \beta)$  provides canonical coordinates for  $SL_2$  qChar

$$\{\alpha_i,\beta_j\}=\delta_{ij}\beta_j$$

Hitchin, Donaldson, Hurtubise, Jarvis, Gerasimov, Harchev, Lebedev, Oblezin, Finkelberg, Kuznetsov, Markarian, Mirkovic, Braverman

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For  $SL_2$  monopoles on  $\tilde{C} \times \mathbb{R}$  there is two-dimensional space of solutions of parallel transport along  $\mathbb{R}$  parametrize by the points  $z \in \tilde{C}$ .

$$D_t s = 0$$

Let  $s_{\pm}(z, t)$  be the two solutions of minimal growth as  $t \to \pm \infty$ , they specify two lines  $L_+ \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  and  $L_- \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ .

$$egin{aligned} 0 \subset L_+(z) \subset \mathbb{C}^2 \ 0 \subset L_-(z) \subset \mathbb{C}^2 \end{aligned}$$

For generic z the two lines  $L_+(z)$  and  $L_-(z)$  are in generic position with  $L_+ \cup L_- = 0$ . Still it could happen that at some point  $z_* \in \tilde{C}$  the lines  $L_+(z_*)$  and  $L_-(z_*)$  coincide. The set of such points  $z_*$  are  $\alpha_i$  coordinates. From this special solution  $s(\alpha_i, t)$  of minimal growth at  $t \to \pm \infty$  we find the conjugated coordinate  $\beta_i$  as the abelian monodromy, that is ratio

$$\beta_i = \frac{\lim_{t \to \infty} s(\alpha_i, t) e^{-\lambda_+ t}}{\lim_{t \to -\infty} s(\alpha_i, t) e^{-\lambda_- t}}$$

in situation when the minimal growth solution has regular asymptotics with fixed values of  $\lambda_{\pm}$  coming from the boundary data of monopoles Mon at infinity.

For non-regular growth we use more general suitable basis of normalizing coefficents.

The  $GL_n$ -difference equations and difference Hilbert-Riemann correspondence have been adressed since the ancient times Birkhoff'1913, and more recent work by Baranovsky-Ginzburg, Jimbo-Sakai, Borodin, Krichever, Ramis, Sauloy, Zhang, Etingof, Singer, Vizio, Kontsevich, Soibelman, and c.f. talk by Okounkov

The twistor geometry of the periodic monopoles provides a new perspective on this ancient story.

The construction  $(\alpha, \beta)$  coordinates for monopole scattering problem of  $Maps(\tilde{C}, G/B)$  has natural generalization for arbitrary simple Lie algebra G, and introduction of singularities.

In generic case we have  $\sum_{i=1}^{r} n_i$  pairs of coordinates  $(\alpha_{i,j}, \beta_{i,j})$  where  $\sum n_i \alpha_i^{\vee}$  is monopole charge, with  $j = 1 \dots n_i$ . The coordinates  $\alpha_{i,j}$  are the points on  $\tilde{C}$  in which the map to G/B lands in the divisor colored by the simple root  $\alpha_i$ .

Some versions of *qChar*-varieties for  $Mon_G(\tilde{C} \times \mathbb{R})$ , have appeared under different names such as rational/trigonometric/elliptic Zastava Finkelberg et.al, Braverman et.al, Beilinson-Drinfeld Grassmanian Gerasimov et.al, or the fiber of Hecke correspondence Kapustin-Witten.

# Separation of Variables / Abelianization / q-Miura transformation

By gauge transformation  $\tilde{A}(z) = g(qz)A(z)g^{-1}(z)$  of the q-connection A(z) in the equation s(qz) = A(z)s(z) the q-oper

$$A(z) = \begin{pmatrix} t_1(z) & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

can be converted into the lower triangular form with

$$ilde{\mathcal{A}}(z) = egin{pmatrix} Y^{-1}(z) & 0 \ -1 & Y(z) \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$t_1(z) = Y(qz) + Y^{-1}(z)$$

The variables  $Y_i(z)$  can be thought as generalized eigenvalues of Kac-Moody group element represented by the Steinberg section  $t_1(z), \ldots, t_r(z)$ .

Now we can integrate abelianized equation. Define  $Q_i(z)$  such that

$$Q_i(qz) = Y_i(qz)Q_i(z)$$

and take the solution  $Q_i(z) \to 1$  at  $z \to 0$  (assuming that 0 is regular singuarity with generalized eigenvalues  $Y_i(z) \to 1$ ).

The  $Q_i(z)$  generically blows up along the ray  $z/q^n$  as  $n \to +\infty$ .

But for certain rays  $\alpha_{i,j}q^{\mathbb{Z}}$  the function  $Q_i(\alpha_{i,j}q^k)$  has the asymptotics of minimal growth, say

$$Q_i(zq^k)\sim {eta_{i,j}}{\mathfrak{q_i}}^k$$

where  $q_i$  is the minimal eigenvalue of generalized root type eigenvalue  $Y_i(z)$  at  $z \to \infty$ . This gives canonical coordinates  $(\alpha_{i,i}, \beta_{i,i})$ 

#### Proposition

The 5d K-theoretic ADE quiver gauge theory partition function Z on  $\mathbb{C}^2_{q_1,q_2} \times S^1$  is the generating function of the  $\mathcal{B}_{q-oper}$  in the  $\operatorname{qChar}_G$  in coordinates  $(\alpha,\beta)$  in a sense that  $\mathcal{B}_{q-oper}$  is Lagrangian defined by the graph

$$\beta_{i,j} = \lim_{q_2 \to 1} Z(q_2 a_{i,j}, \ldots, )/Z(a_{i,j}, \ldots)$$

The expression of  $t_i(z)$  in terms of the generalized eigenvalues  $Y_i(z)$  is called q-character Frenkel, Reshetikhin, Semenov-Tian-Shansky, Sevostyanov.

It coincides with the q-character coming from the quiver gauge theory construction Nekrasov, VP, Shatashvili'13.



## Dankeschön!