

# Introduction to quantum groups

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Problems for the course Skoltech, fall 2020. There are mistakes here, if you find some please write to mbersht@gmail.com  
Definitions and hints are in slides and references.

## 1 Poisson algebras and quantization

**Problem 1.1.** *Show that Moyal formula defines associative product.*

**Problem 1.2** (\*). *Find an example of the Poisson algebra which cannot be quantized.*

**Problem 1.3** (\*). *Show that  $HH^2(U(\mathfrak{g})) = 0$  for semisimple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ .*

**Problem 1.4.** *Show that distribution  $T^\Pi$  is integrable.*

## 2 Poisson-Lie groups and Lie bialgebras

**Problem 2.1.** *Let  $G$  is Poisson-Lie group,  $H \subset G$  is Poisson-Lie subgroup. Show that  $C^\infty(G)^H$  is Poisson subalgebra.*

**Problem 2.2.** *Let  $G = GL(2)$ , Poisson-Lie structure defined by  $r$  matrix with  $r = \frac{1}{4}h \otimes h + e \otimes f$ ,  $L = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ . Find brackets of  $a, b, c, d$ . Check skew-commutativity. Check Poisson-Lie property.*

**Problem 2.3.** *For any finite dimensional Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  there exists bijection between bialgebra structures on  $\mathfrak{g}$  and Manin triples with  $\mathfrak{q}_+ \simeq \mathfrak{g}$ .*

**Problem 2.4.** *Find Lie bialgebra structure (i.e.  $\delta$ ) for Examples 1 and 4 and  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$ .*

### 3 Dual Poisson-Lie groups, symplectic leaves

**Problem 3.1.** Let  $\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{sl}_2(\mathbb{C})$  as real Lie algebra with scalar product  $(x, y) = \text{Im Tr}(xy)$  and subalgebras  $\mathfrak{q}_+ = \mathfrak{su}_2$ ,  $\mathfrak{q}_- = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b+ic \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .

- Show that  $\mathfrak{q}, \mathfrak{q}_+, \mathfrak{q}_-$  is Manin triple. Find bialgebra structure on  $\mathfrak{su}_2$ .
- Show that  $D(G) = G \times G^*$
- Find symplectic leaves on  $SU(2)$ .

### 4 Classical $r$ -matrices

Let  $\delta_r(a) = \text{ad}_a r$ .

**Problem 4.1.** Show that  $\delta_r$  maps to  $\Lambda^2 \mathfrak{g}$  if and only if  $r_{12} + r_{21} \in (\mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathfrak{g})^{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

**Problem 4.2.** Let  $r = r^S + r^A$ , where  $r^S = \alpha \Omega$ ,  $r^A \in \Lambda^2 \mathfrak{g}$ . Show that a)  $\delta_r = \delta_{r^A}$ .  
b)  $[[r, r]] = [[r^A, r^A]] + \alpha^2 c$ .

**Problem 4.3.** For standard bialgebra structure for simple  $\mathfrak{g}$

- Find  $\delta(h_i), \delta(e_\alpha), \delta(e_{-\alpha})$ , where  $\alpha$  is simple.
- Find Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}^*$ .
- Show that  $r = \sum h_i \otimes h^i + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} e_\alpha \otimes e_{-\alpha}$  defines the same  $\delta$  and satisfies CYBE.

**Problem 4.4 (\*)**. Let  $r \in \Lambda^2 \mathfrak{g}$  satisfy MCYBE. Show that  $\Pi = (\lambda_g)_* r - (\rho_g)_* r$  is Poisson bracket.

### 5 Quantum group and algebras. Example of $\mathfrak{sl}_2$

**Problem 5.1 (\*)**. Let  $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g})$  is quantization of universal enveloping  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ . Let  $\delta(a) = \frac{\Delta(a) - \Delta^{op}(a)}{\hbar} \text{ mod } \hbar$ . Show that  $\delta$  satisfies cocycle and coJacobi conditions.

**Problem 5.2.** Let  $g(\hbar) = 1 + O(\hbar) \in U(\mathfrak{h})[[\hbar]]$  is group like element (i.e.  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$ ), then  $g(\hbar) = \exp(\alpha H \hbar)$ , for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ .

**Problem 5.3.** Show that relation  $[E, F] = \frac{e^{\hbar H} - e^{-\hbar H}}{e^{\hbar} - e^{-\hbar}}$  agrees with coproduct  $\Delta$ .

**Problem 5.4.** Show that exists homomorphism  $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{sl}_2)[[\hbar]]$  such that  $E \mapsto e$ ,  $H \mapsto h$ , and  $F \mapsto \Phi(c, h)f$ , where  $c \in U(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  is Casimir.

### 6 Hopf algebras

**Problem 6.1.** Show that  $S$  is antihomomorphism of algebra and coalgebra.

**Problem 6.2.** a) Find formulas for action of  $E, H, F$  in basis  $v_m$ . b) Define basis  $\tilde{v}_m$ .

**Problem 6.3.** a) Show existence of natural morphisms  $V^* \otimes V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow V \otimes V^*$ .  
b) Show that  $(V \otimes W)^* = W^* \otimes V^*$ .

**Problem 6.4** (\*). a) Show directly that  $L_1 \otimes L_l \simeq L_{l+1} \oplus L_{l-1}$ , for  $l \geq 1$ .  
b) Show that  $L_{l_1} \otimes L_{l_2} = \bigoplus L_l$ , where summation region  $|l_1 - l_2| \leq l \leq l_1 + l_2$  and  $l + l_1 + l_2$  is even.

## 7 Quantum R-matrices

**Problem 7.1.** For  $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  show that  $\Delta^{op}(E)R = R\Delta(E)$ .

**Problem 7.2.** a) Show that  $C_{\hbar} = FE + \frac{e^{\hbar(H+1)} + e^{-\hbar(H+1)}}{(e^{\hbar} - e^{-\hbar})^2}$  is central.

b) Find action of  $C_{\hbar}$  and  $e^{-\hbar H}u$  on  $L_m$ .

c) Let  $\Phi_{\hbar}^{-1}: U(\mathfrak{sl}_2)[[\hbar]] \rightarrow U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  isomorphism. Let  $c = fe + h(h+2)/4$ . Find  $\Phi_{\hbar}^{-1}(c)$ .  
 $\Phi_{\hbar}^{-1}(e^{\hbar c})$ , relate to central elements above.

## 8 Drinfeld-Jimbo quantum groups

**Problem 8.1.** Show that  $[F_i, q\text{-Serre } E_i] = 0$  follows from quadratic relations.

**Problem 8.2.** Find  $H \in \mathfrak{h}$  such that  $S^2(x) = e^{\hbar H} x e^{-\hbar H}$

**Problem 8.3.** Using the Fact show nondegeneracy of the pairing  $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{b}^+) \otimes U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{b}^-) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

## 9 RTT realization

**Problem 9.1.** a) Deduce quadratic relations on  $E, F, H$  from RTT relations.

b)\* Deduce Serre relations from RTT relations.

**Problem 9.2.** Prove that  $U(R)$  is generated by  $l_{ii}^+, l_{i,i+1}^+, l_{ii}^-, l_{i,i-1}^-$ .

**Problem 9.3.** Find formulas for  $L^+ = (\rho \otimes \text{id})\mathfrak{R}$  and  $L^- = (\text{id} \otimes \rho)\mathfrak{R}^{-1}$  for  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ .

## 10 Functions on quantum group $SL_2$

**Problem 10.1.** Show that  $q\text{det}$  is central and group-like.

**Problem 10.2.** Show that  $L_l \otimes L_l^*$  are linearly independent in  $U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)^{\circ}$  for  $l \geq 0$ .

**Problem 10.3** (\*). Let  $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g})$  be quantum universal enveloping algebra. Let  $A = \{x \in U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g}) \mid (\text{id} - \epsilon)\Delta_n(x) \in U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g})^{\otimes n}, \forall n\}$ . Show that  $A$  is a Hopf algebra, cocommutative up to first order in  $\hbar$ .

**Problem 10.4** (\*). For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$  define  $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g}^*)$  for standard bialgebra structure.

## 11 Functions on quantum group $SL_n$

**Problem 11.1** (\*). For given  $J = \{j_1 < \dots < j_{r-1}\}$ ,  $I = \{i_1, \dots, i_r\}$ ,  $K = \{k_0, \dots, k_r\}$  show relation

$$\sum_{s=0}^r \text{sgn}(J, k_s) (-q)^{-s} t_{j_1 \dots k_s, \dots, j_{r-1}}^{i_1 \dots i_r} t_{k_0, \dots, k_s, \dots, k_r}^{i_1 \dots i_r} = 0$$

**Problem 11.2** (\*). Show that center of  $\mathbb{C}[SL_n]_q$  is generated by  $q \det$ .

**Problem 11.3** (\*). a)  $t_{-w_0(\Lambda), \Lambda}^\Lambda t_{-\mu, \lambda}^{\Lambda'} = q^{(\Lambda, \lambda) - (w_0(\Lambda, \mu))} t_{-\mu, \lambda}^{\Lambda'} t_{-w_0(\Lambda), \Lambda}^\Lambda$ .

b)  $t_{-\Lambda, w_0(\Lambda)}^\Lambda t_{-\mu, \lambda}^{\Lambda'} = q^{(\Lambda, \mu) - (w_0(\Lambda), \lambda)} t_{-\mu, \lambda}^{\Lambda'} t_{-\Lambda, w_0(\Lambda)}^\Lambda$ .

c) Elements  $t_{-w_0(\Lambda), \Lambda}^\Lambda$ ,  $t_{-\Lambda', w_0(\Lambda')}^{\Lambda'}$  form commutative subalgebra.

**Problem 11.4** (\*). d) Subalgebra  $A_+$  is generated by  $t_{i_1 \dots i_k}^{1 \dots k}$ . Subalgebra  $A_-$  is generated by  $t_{i_1 \dots i_k}^{n-k+1 \dots n}$ .

e) Commutative subalgebra from c) above is generated by  $t_{n-k+1 \dots n}^{1 \dots k}$ ,  $t_{1 \dots k}^{n-k+1 \dots n}$ .

## 12 Lusztig's braid group

**Problem 12.1**. Check that  $[T_i(E_j), T_i(F_j)] = T_i([E_j, F_j])$  for  $a_{ij} = -1$ .

**Problem 12.2**. For  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})^{\text{coop}}$  find  $S(E_i)$ . Show that  $\text{ad}_{\Delta^{\text{op}}, E_i} = \text{ad}_{q, E_i}$ .

**Problem 12.3**. Fix reduced expression of  $w_0 = s_{i_1} \dots s_{i_N}$ .

a) If  $a_{i_k, i_{k+1}} = 0$  then reversing  $i_k, i_{k+1}$  we get reduced expression  $\vec{i}'$  with the same (but reordered) set of Cartan-Weyl elements.

b) If  $i_k = i_{k+2}$ ,  $a_{i_k, i_{k+1}} = a_{i_{k+1}, i_{k+2}} = -1$  then  $\beta_{k+1} = \beta_k + \beta_{k+2}$ ,  $E_{\beta_{k+1}} = -[E_{\beta_k}, E_{\beta_{k+2}}]_{q^{-1}}$ . Replacing  $i_k, i_{k+1}, i_{k+2} \rightarrow i_{k+1}, i_k, i_{k+2}$  we get reduced expression  $\vec{i}'$  and the set of Cartan-Weyl elements  $\{E'_\beta\}$  differs from  $\{E_\beta\}$  only by  $E'_{\beta_{k+1}}$  and  $E_{\beta_{k+1}}$ .

c) If  $\beta_k = \alpha_i$  then  $E_{\beta_k} = E_i$ .

**Problem 12.4**. Relate  $l_{ij}^-$  generators in RTT realization and Cartan-Weyl elements.

## 13 Factorization of the universal $R$ matrix

**Problem 13.1** (\*). a) For  $v \in L_l[m]$  show that  $E^{(a)} F^{(b)} v = \sum_{t \geq 0} F^{(b-t)} E^{(a-t)} \begin{bmatrix} m-b+a \\ t \end{bmatrix}_q v$ .

b) Let  $v_l \in L_l$  be highest weight vector. Let  $\tilde{v}_m = F^{(\frac{l-m}{2})} v_l \in L_l[m]$ . Show that

$$t \tilde{v}_m = (-1)^{\frac{l-m}{2}} q^{-\frac{l-m}{2} \frac{l+m+2}{2}} \tilde{v}_{-m}.$$

c) Show that  $tFv = -EKtv$ ,  $tKv = K^{-1}tv$ ,  $tEv = -k^{-1}Ftv$ .

**Problem 13.2** (\*). Let  $\bar{\mathfrak{R}} = \sum_{n \geq 0} q^{\binom{n}{2}} \frac{(q-1/q)^n}{[n]_q!} E^n \otimes F^n$ . Show that

$$\bar{\mathfrak{R}}^{-1} = \sum_{n \geq 0} (-1)^n q^{-\binom{n}{2}} \frac{(q-1/q)^n}{[n]_q!} E^n \otimes F^n$$

**Problem 13.3** (\*). Show that  $\Delta(t) = \bar{\mathfrak{K}}^{-1}t \otimes t$

**Problem 13.4** (\*). Show that  $e^{-\hbar H^2/2t^2}$  is central. Relate it to central elements from Lecture 7.

**Problem 13.5** (\*). For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_n$  compute  $\rho_{\mathbb{C}^n} \otimes \rho_{\mathbb{C}^n}(\mathfrak{K})$ .

## 14 Drinfeld double

**Problem 14.1** (\*). Show that relations  $\langle a_{(1)}, b_{(1)} \rangle a_{(2)} * b_{(2)} = b_{(1)} * a_{(1)} \langle a_{(2)}, b_{(2)} \rangle$  is equivalent to  $b * a = \langle a_{(1)}, b_{(1)} \rangle a_{(2)} * b_{(2)} \langle a_{(3)}, S^{-1}(b_{(3)}) \rangle$

**Problem 14.2** (\*). For  $A = \mathbb{C}[G]$ ,  $G$  finite group, find  $D(A)$ . Describe representations of  $D(A)$ .

**Problem 14.3** (\*). Show that  $\langle RL_1^+ L_2^+ - L_2^+ L_1^+ R, - \rangle = 0$ .

**Problem 14.4** (\*). For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2$  and  $V = \mathbb{C}^2$  compute  $C_V$ .