

Title: Quantum geometry of moduli spaces of local systems

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Abstract: Let  $G$  be a split semi-simple algebraic group over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We introduce a natural cluster structure on moduli spaces of  $G$ -local systems over surfaces with marked points. As a consequence, the moduli spaces of  $G$ -local systems admit natural Poisson structures, and can be further quantized. We will study the principal series representations of such quantum spaces. It will recover many classical topics, such as the  $q$ -deformed Toda systems, quantum groups, as well as the modular functor conjecture for such representations, which should lead to new quantum invariants of threefolds. This talk will mainly be based on joint work with A.B. Goncharov.

# Quantum Geometry of moduli spaces of local systems

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(Will appear on Arxiv)  
tomorrow.

## 1. Notations

$G$  a semisimple alg gp over  $\mathbb{C}$   
with trivial center (e.g.  $G = \mathrm{PGL}_n$ )

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ \text{Pavel subgps} \}$$

$\mathcal{B} = \{ \text{Borel subgps in } G \}$   
 = flag variety

• A pair  $B, B' \in \mathcal{B}$  is  
generic if  $B \cap B' := T$  is Abelian

(e.g.  $G = \text{PGL}_n$   
 $B = \{ \text{upper trian matrices} \}$   
 $B' = \{ \text{lower } \dots \}$ )

$\text{PGL}_n$

$I = \{ 1, \dots, r \}$  parametrizes

simple positive coroots  $\alpha_i^\vee, \dots, \alpha_r^\vee$

$\forall i \in I, \exists$  a natural

$$\alpha_i^\vee: G_m \rightarrow T$$

• The datum

$$p = (B, B', x_i, y_i; i \in I)$$

is called a pinning over a  
 generic pair  $(B, B')$  if  $\forall i$

$$\exists \gamma_i: \text{SL}_2 \rightarrow G$$

$$\gamma_i \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = x_i(a)$$

$$\gamma_i \begin{pmatrix} a & \\ & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_i^\vee(a)$$

$$y_i(a) = y_i(a)$$

# Example

$$G = \mathrm{PGL}_n$$

$B_1, B_2$  generic

$\iff$  a decomposition

$$\mathbb{C}^n = l_1 \oplus l_2 \oplus \dots \oplus l_n$$

s.t.

$$B_1 = (l_1 \subset l_1 \oplus l_2 \subset \dots \subset l_1 \oplus \dots \oplus l_n)$$

$$B_2 = (l_n \subset l_n \oplus l_{n-1} \subset \dots \subset l_n \oplus \dots \oplus l_1)$$

a pinning over  $(B_1, B_2) \iff$  a choice of a line  $l \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  that is generic

$y_i(q)$

$$\text{ie } l \cong l_1 \oplus \hat{l}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus l_n$$

$$\forall i=1, \dots, n$$

$$= (l_1 \oplus \dots \oplus l_n)$$

$$\subset (l_n \oplus \dots \oplus l_1)$$

a choice of a line  
 $l \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  that is

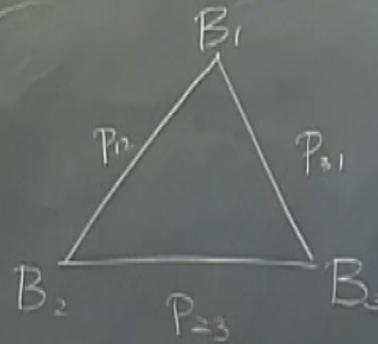
## 2. A toy example

Def The moduli space  $\mathcal{P}_{g,t}$  parametrizes  $G$ -orbits of

$$(B_1, B_2, B_3, P_{12}, P_{23}, P_{31})$$

where

- $B_1, B_2, B_3$  are pairwise generic
- $P_{ij}$  is a pinning over  $(B_i, B_j)$



The cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}/3$  acts on  $\mathcal{P}_{g,t}$

Thm The

Thm The space  $P_{G,t}$  is a smooth affine variety

It admits a natural cluster

Poisson structure invariant under  $\mathbb{Z}/3$

i.e

1)  $P_{G,t}$  is a Poisson variety

2)  $P_{G,t}$  admits a collection  $\mathcal{C}$  of local coordinate charts that are related by cluster Poisson transf.

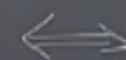
3)  $\mathcal{O}(P_{G,t}) = \bigcap_{\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{C}} \mathbb{C}[X_{i,1}^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_{i,n}^{\pm 1}]$

$\mathbb{Z}/3$  acts

Example

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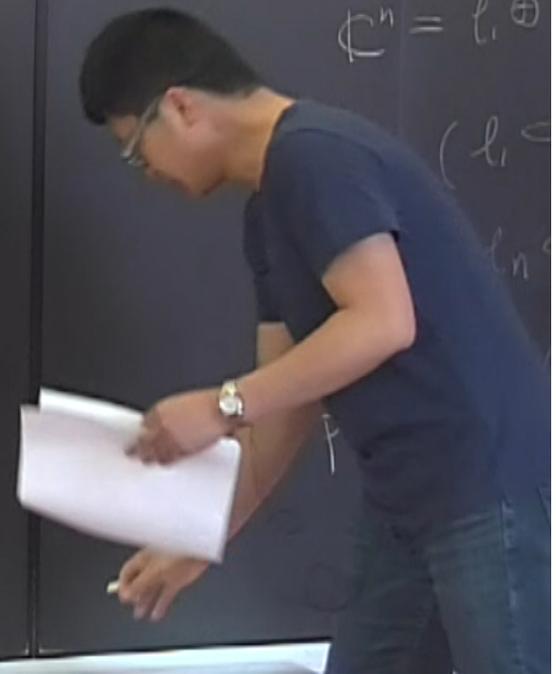


a decomposition

$$\mathbb{C}^n = \mathfrak{l}_i \oplus \mathfrak{m}_i$$

$$(\mathfrak{l}_i = \mathfrak{sl}_n)$$

$$\mathfrak{m}_i = \mathfrak{p}_i$$



## Remarks

1) Cluster algebras are a class of comm algebras introduced by Fomin & Zelevinsky in 2000

2) Most cluster algebras admit natural bases (called  $\oplus$ -basis) with non-negative structural coefficients (Gross-Hacking-Keel - Kontsevich)

e.g. the  $\oplus$ -basis of  $\mathcal{O}(P_{\text{st}}) \Leftrightarrow$   
bases of tensor invariants of  
reps of  $G$

$$\text{ie } l \in l_1 \oplus \hat{l}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus l_n \\ \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$(V_\lambda \otimes V_\mu \otimes V_\nu)^G$$

3) Due to Fock-Goncharov,  
every cluster Poisson variety  
can be quantized

For example, there is a  $\mathbb{Z}[q^\pm]$ -  
algebra  $\mathcal{O}_q(\mathcal{P}_{g,t})$  whose  
quasi-classical limit @  $q=1$  recovers  
 $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{P}_{g,t})$  and its Poisson structure

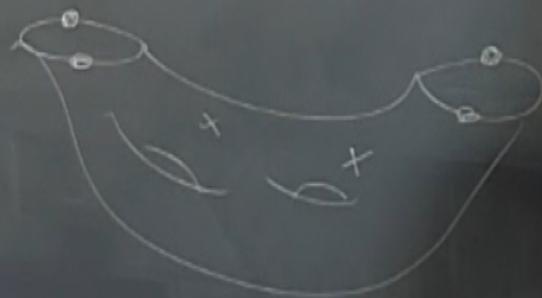
3. Moduli space of  $G$ -local  
systems.

$S$  oriented topological surface  
with punctures & special pts

Thm

Smooth

It is



f  $G$ -local

topological surface

holes & special pts



$\mathcal{L}$  is a  $G$ -local system  
over  $S$

$$\iff \mathcal{L} \in \text{Hom}(\pi_1(S), G) / G$$

$\iff$  principal  $G$ -bundle over  $S$   
with flat connections

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{L} \times_{\mathbb{G}} \mathcal{B} \quad \text{associated } \mathcal{B}\text{-bundle.}$$

eg.

Def The moduli space  $\mathcal{P}_{GS}$  parametrizes

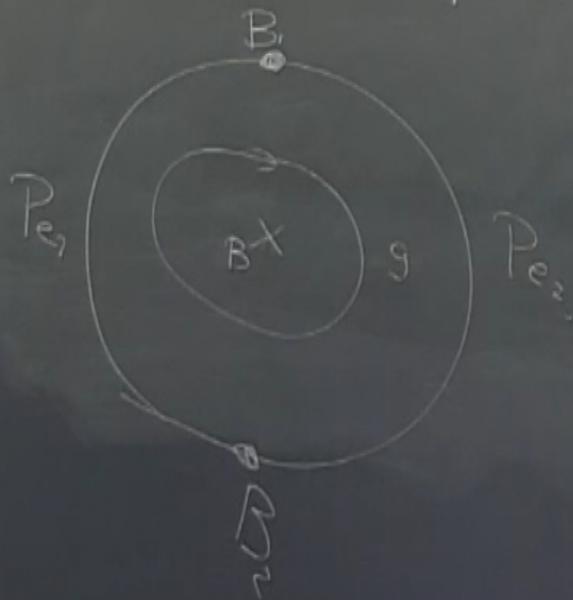
$(L, \beta, P)$ , where

- $L$  is a  $G$ -local system
- $\beta$  is a flat section of  $L_{\mathbb{R}}$  on every special pt & every circle surrounding punctures

$P = (P_e)$  is a collection of pinning over  
 $(B_i, B_j)$  for every boundary interval  
 $\rho = (j)$

# Example

$S =$  once-punctured disk with 2 special pts



## Natural actions on $\mathcal{P}_{G,S}$

four groups acts on  $\mathcal{P}_{G,S}$

- mapping class group of  $S$
- Outer automorphism of  $G$

(eg  $\times$   $G \rightarrow G$ )  
 $g \mapsto (g^c)^{-1}$

Weyl group  $W^n$

Braid group  $B^m$

$n = \#$  punctures

$m = \#$  boundary circles

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 $m = \# \text{ boundary circles}$

Example

There is a Tits-distance map

$$d: \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow W$$

$\forall$  generic pair  $(B_1, B_2) \quad \forall w \in W$

$\exists!$   $B'$  s.t.

$$d(B_1, B') = w, \quad d(B', B_2) = w^{-1}w_0$$

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punctures

$$G = \text{PGL}_n$$

boundary circles

$$B_1 = (l_1 \subset l_1 \oplus l_2 \subset l_1 \oplus l_2 \oplus l_3 \subset \dots \subset l_1 \oplus \dots \oplus l_n)$$

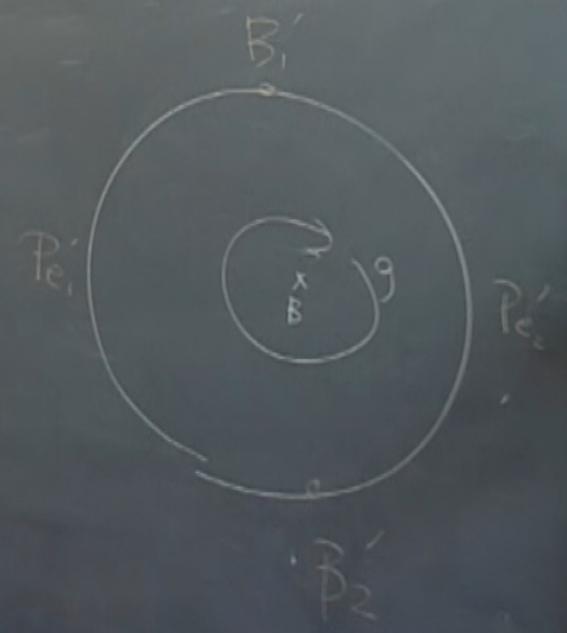
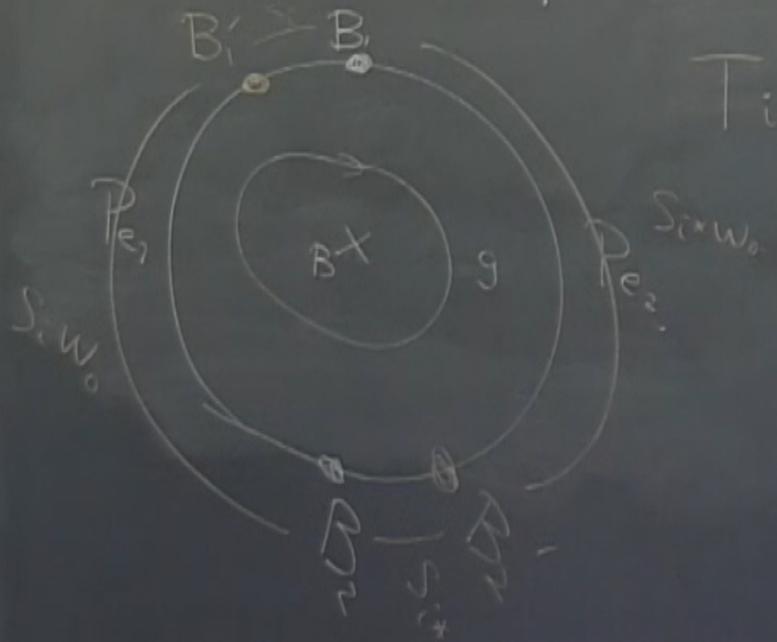
$$B_2 = (l_n \subset l_n \oplus l_{n-1} \subset \dots)$$

$$w \in S_n$$

$$B' = (l_{w(1)} \subset l_{w(1)} \oplus l_{w(2)} \subset \dots)$$

Example

$S =$  once-punctured disk  
with 2 special pts



$S_2 = w_0 S_1 w_0^{-1}$

Thm The space  $\mathcal{P}_{G,S}$  admits a natural cluster Poisson structure invariant under the above four group actions

Remarks

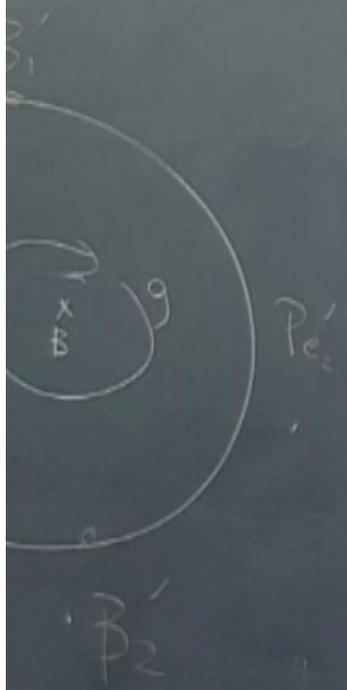
- 1) These groups act on  $\mathcal{O}_2(\mathcal{P}_{G,S})$
- 2)  $\mathcal{O}_2(\mathcal{P}_{G,S})$  is expected to have a natural basis (when  $q=1$ ,  $G = \text{PGL}_n$ , this is proved in [GS, 16])

$$B_1 = (l_i \in l_i^{\oplus})$$

$$B_2 = (l_n \in l_n^{\oplus})$$

$$w \in S_n$$

$$B' = (l_{w(i)})$$



Quantum group

$U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  is a Hopf algebra

generated by

$$\{E_i, F_i, K_i^{\pm 1} \mid i \in I\}$$

Satisfy a set of relations

$U_q(\mathfrak{b}) \subset U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  generated by

$$\{E_i, K_i^{\pm 1}\}$$

Hopf algebra

$\forall$  special pt  $s \in S$

Thm The space  $\mathcal{P}$   
for Poisson str  
above four



$\{ \neq 1, i \in I \}$

There exists a collection of natural functions

set of relations potential

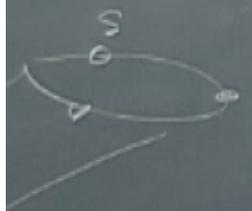
$W_{s,1}, \dots, W_{s,r}$   
 $([GS, 14])$

generated by h-distance

$K_{s,1}, \dots, K_{s,r}$



$e \in S$



One can lift them to  $\mathcal{O}_i(P_{a,s})$

Thm  $\exists$  an embedding

$$\mathcal{U}_2(b) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}_i(P_{a,s})$$

$$E_i \mapsto W_{s,i}$$

$$K_i \mapsto K_{s,i}$$

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$\kappa_{s,r}$

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$$K_i \mapsto K_{s_i}$$

functions



$$U_q(\mathfrak{g}) \hookrightarrow$$

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$$\mathcal{O}_q(\text{L.G.S.})$$

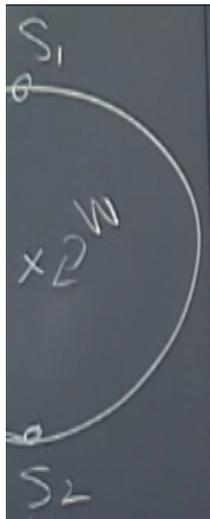
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$$\mathcal{O}_q(\text{P.G.S.})^W / K_{s_i}, K_{s_i} = 1$$

$$\cong \mathcal{O}_q(\text{L.G.S.})$$

L.G.S. : Poisson-Lie group

(1) is a



$L_{G,S}$  : Poisson-Lie group

$$\mathcal{O}_q(L_{G,S})$$

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$$\mathcal{O}_q(P_{G,S})^W / K_{S,0} K_{S,1} = 1$$

$$U_q(\mathfrak{g}) \cong \mathcal{O}_q(L_{G,S})$$

(1) is a refinement  
of works of  
Shapiro-Shrader  
& IP

