Generalized quantum Yang-Baxter moves and their application to Schubert calculus

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Fact (Lenart-Naito-Sagaki-Schilling-Shimozono (2017))

In arbitrary untwisted affine type, there exists a crystal isomorphism

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{A}(\Gamma)}_{\text{objects of the quantum alcove model}} \xrightarrow{\sim} B^{p_1,1} \otimes B^{p_2,1} \otimes \cdots \otimes B^{p_k,1} \text{ (only "dual Demazure arrows")},$$

where Γ is a suitable sequence of roots, called a λ-chain.

The combinatorial R-matrix

- $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^k$
- $(p'_1, p'_2, \dots, p'_k)$: a permutation of $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k)$

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\simeq \downarrow & & \downarrow \simeq \\
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Conclusion

The quantum Yang-Baxter moves provide a realization (in the quantum alcove model) of the combinatorial R-matrix, which works uniformly for all untwisted affine root systems.

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Applications (Lenart-Naito-Sagaki (2020))

- The Chevalley multiplication formula in the K-group of semi-infinite flag manifolds
- — in the quantum K-group of flag manifolds
- Character identities of level-zero Demazure modules over quantum affine algebras

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Problem

In general, $|\mathcal{A}(w,\Gamma)| \neq |\mathcal{A}(w,\Gamma')|$. Hence there does not exist any bijection $\mathcal{A}(w,\Gamma) \to \Gamma(w,\Gamma')$.

$\to$ We need a new approach to generalize QYB moves.

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Theorem (KLN (2021))

For λ-chains Γ, Γ' such that Γ' is obtained from Γ by a "simple deformation procedure", there exists a sijection $\mathcal{A}(w, \Gamma) \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}(w, \Gamma')$ which preserves the related statistics end, down, wt, *and* height.

Settings

- $\mathfrak{g}$: a simple Lie algebra over $\mathbb{C}$
- Δ: the root system of $\mathfrak{g}$
- Δ^+: the set of positive roots
- P: the weight lattice
- P^+: the set of dominant integral weights
- $Q^\vee$: the coroot lattice
- W: the Weyl group
- $\ell : W \to \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$: the length function

1 Introduction

2 The quantum alcove model

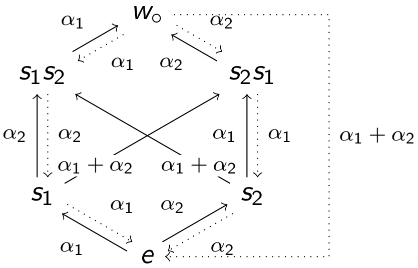
3 Quantum Yang-Baxter moves

The quantum Bruhat graph

Definition (Brenti-Fomin-Postnikov (1999))

The quantum Bruhat graph $\mathrm{QBG}(W)$ is the labeled directed graph:

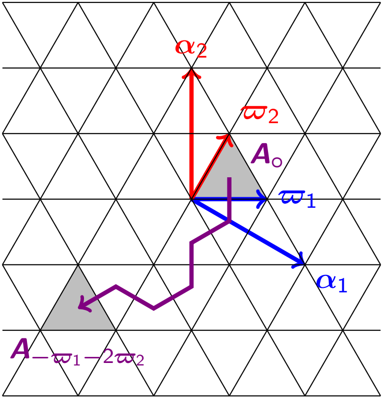
- Vertex set: W
- Label set: Δ^+
- Edge: $x \xrightarrow{\alpha} y$ $(x, y \in W,\ \alpha \in \Delta^+)$ $\Leftrightarrow$ $y = xs_\alpha$, and
  (Bruhat edge) $\ell(y) = \ell(x) + 1$, or
  (Quantum edge) $\ell(y) = \ell(x) - 2\langle \rho, \alpha^\vee \rangle + 1$ $\left(\rho := (1/2)\sum_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \alpha\right)$.



Chains of roots

- $A_\circ := \{\nu \mid 0 < \langle \nu, \alpha^\vee \rangle < 1 \text{ for all } \alpha \in \Delta^+\}$: the fundamental alcove
- $\lambda \in P$

(reduced) λ-chain: a sequence $\Gamma = (\beta_1, \ldots, \beta_r)$ of roots associated to a (shortest) path from $A_\circ$ to $A_{-\lambda} := A_\circ - \lambda$



[Type A_2]
$(\alpha_2, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \alpha_2, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \alpha_1, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2)$
$(\varpi_1 + 2\varpi_2)$-chain

Admissible subsets (1/2)

Admissible subsets: main objects in the quantum alcove model

- $w \in W$
- $\lambda \in P$
- $\Gamma = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r)$: a λ-chain

Definition (Lenart-Lubovsky (2015), Lenart-Naito-Sagaki (2020))

A subset $A = \{i_1 < i_2 < \cdots < i_s\} \subset \{1, \dots, r\}$ is said to be w-admissible if

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is a directed path in $\mathrm{QBG}(W)$. Set

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Remark

We can also define statistics $\mathrm{wt}(A) \in P$ and $\mathrm{height}(A) \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$\mathcal{A}(w, \Gamma) := \{A \subset \{1, \ldots, r\} \mid A \text{ is } w\text{-admissible}\}$ with sign $A \mapsto (-1)^{n(A)}$

Yang-Baxter transformation

- $\lambda \in P$
- $\Gamma = (\beta_1, \ldots, \beta_r)$: a λ-chain

Definition (e.g., Lenart-Postnikov (2007))

A Yang-Baxter transformation (YB): a procedure to obtain a new λ-chain

(1) Take a segment $(\beta_{t+1}, \ldots, \beta_{t+q})$ of Γ s.t.

- $\langle \beta_{t+1}, \beta_{t+q}^{\vee} \rangle \leq 0$,
- $(\beta_{t+1}, \ldots, \beta_{t+q}) = (\alpha, s_\alpha(\beta), s_\alpha s_\beta(\alpha), \ldots, s_\beta(\alpha), \beta)$ for some α, β.

(2) Reverse $(\beta_{t+1}, \ldots, \beta_{t+q})$ in Γ:

$$\Gamma' := (\beta_1, \ldots, \beta_t, \beta_{t+q}, \ldots, \beta_{t+1}, \beta_{t+q+1}, \ldots, \beta_r).$$

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Fact (e.g., Lenart-Naito-Sagaki, Lenart-Postnikov)

From any λ-chain, we can obtain any reduced λ-chain by repeated application of (YB) and (D).

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- It is, in fact, an affine crystal isomorphism.
- It is a root system generalization of jeu de taquin in type A.

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(2) *there exist involutions I_k on $\mathcal{A}(w, \Gamma_k) \setminus \mathcal{A}_0(w, \Gamma_k)$ $(k = 1, 2)$ which reverse sign $(-1)^{n(A)}$ and which preserve* $\mathrm{end}(\cdot)$, $\mathrm{down}(\cdot)$, $\mathrm{wt}(\cdot)$, *and* $\mathrm{height}(\cdot)$.

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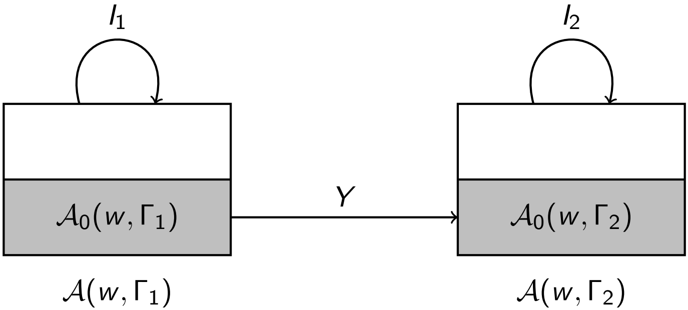

→ We obtain a sijection (I_1, I_2, Y): a generalized QYB move.

- $W_{\mathrm{af}} = W \ltimes Q^\vee = \{wt_\xi \mid w \in W,\ \xi \in Q^\vee\}$: the affine Weyl group
- $x = wt_\xi \in W_{\mathrm{af}}$
- Γ: λ-chain ($\lambda \in P$)

Definition

A generating function $\mathrm{G}_\Gamma(x) \in (\mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}][P])[W_{\mathrm{af}}] \Leftrightarrow$

$$\mathrm{G}_\Gamma(x) := \sum_{A \in \mathcal{A}(w,\Gamma)} (-1)^{n(A)} q^{-\,\mathrm{height}(A) - \langle \lambda, \xi \rangle} e^{\mathrm{wt}(A)}\, \mathrm{end}(A) t_{\xi + \mathrm{down}(A)}.$$

Preservation of generating functions

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- As an application, we give a combinatorial proof of the Chevalley multiplication formula in the equivariank K-group of semi-infinite flag manifolds, first proved by Lenart-Naito-Sagaki.