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Braided Vertex Algebras,
Semi-infinite Cohomology and
Quantum Group

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- Motivation: equivalence of categories
- $U_q(sl(2))$: representations and intertwining operators
- Feigin-Fuks construction and the simplest braided VOA
- $U_q(sl(2))$ and homology of local systems
- Braided VOA on the space

$$\mathbb{F}_{\varkappa} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \geq 0} (V_{\Delta(\lambda), \varkappa} \otimes V_{\lambda})$$

- $SL_q(2)$ as semi-infinite cohomology for $\mathbb{F}_{\varkappa} \otimes \mathbb{F}_{-\varkappa}$

Motivation

Braided tensor categories:

\mathcal{C}_q – representations of $U_q(sl(2))$

\mathcal{C}_κ – homology of local systems on the configuration spaces

\mathcal{C}_c – representations on the Virasoro algebra

\mathcal{C}_k – representations of $\hat{sl}(2)$

Equivalence:

$$\mathcal{C}_q \cong \mathcal{C}_k \quad (\text{Kazhdan} - \text{Lusztig})$$

More explicit:

$$\mathcal{C}_q \cong^{(1)} \mathcal{C}_\kappa \cong^{(2)} \mathcal{C}_c \cong^{(3)} \mathcal{C}_k$$

(1) Gomez-Sierra, Felder-Wiezerkowski, Varchenko

(2) Feigin-Fuks construction (implicitly)

(3) Quantum Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction

Equivalence of categories \longrightarrow
 \longrightarrow relation between $SL_q(2)$ and WZW
conformal field theory

I. Frenkel, K. Styrkas, math/0409117
"Modified regular representations of
affine and Virasoro algebras, VOA struc-
ture and semi-infinite cohomology"

Algebraic structure on the semi-infinite co-
homology:

B.H. Lian, G.J. Zuckerman
Commun.Math.Phys. 154 (1993) 613,
"New Perspectives on the BRST-
algebraic structure of string theory"

"Ground rings" in 2D gravity

Frenkel, Styrkas identified the center of $SL_q(2)$
with semi-infinite cohomology of modified reg-
ular VOA.

Here we reconstruct the full $SL_q(2)$ via the
semi-infinite cohomology using braided VOA.

$U_q(sl(2))$: representations and intertwining operators

Notation:

M_λ – Verma module with highest weight λ

V_λ – irreducible representation

If $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow V_\lambda \rightarrow M_\lambda^c \rightarrow V_{-\lambda-2} \rightarrow 0$$

If $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{\leq -1}$, we have $M_\lambda^c \cong V_\lambda$

λ is generic if $\lambda \notin \mathbb{Z}_+$

$\mu, \nu, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{\mu\lambda}^\nu(\cdot \otimes \cdot) &: M_\mu^c \otimes M_\lambda^c \rightarrow M_\nu^c \\ \Phi_\nu^{\mu\lambda}(\cdot) &: M_\nu \rightarrow M_\mu \otimes M_\lambda.\end{aligned}$$

$\mu, \nu, \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_+$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{\mu\lambda}^\nu(\cdot \otimes \cdot) &: V_\mu^c \otimes V_\lambda^c \rightarrow V_\nu^c \\ \phi_\nu^{\mu\lambda}(\cdot) &: V_\nu \rightarrow V_\mu \otimes V_\lambda.\end{aligned}$$

Relations between intertwiners:

Proposition

a) λ_i are generic

$$\Phi_{\rho\lambda_3}^{\lambda_0} \Phi_{\lambda_1\lambda_2}^{\rho} (1 \otimes PR) = \sum_{\xi} B_{\xi\rho}^M \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \Phi_{\xi\lambda_2}^{\lambda_0} \Phi_{\lambda_1\lambda_3}^{\xi}$$

b) $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$

$$\phi_{\rho\lambda_3}^{\lambda_0} \phi_{\lambda_1\lambda_2}^{\rho} (1 \otimes PR) = \sum_{\xi} B_{\xi\rho}^V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \phi_{\xi\lambda_2}^{\lambda_0} \phi_{\lambda_1\lambda_3}^{\xi}$$

M_{λ}^c admits polynomial realization: $F_{\lambda} = \mathbb{C}[\beta]\zeta^{\lambda}$

Proposition Identification:

$$E = q^H \gamma, \quad F = \beta[\zeta \partial_{\zeta} - N] q^{-H}, \quad H = \zeta \partial_{\zeta} - 2N,$$

where $N = \beta \partial_{\beta}$ and $\gamma = \partial_{\beta}^q$ is a Jackson's q -derivative, gives a structure of $U_q(sl(2))$ -module on F_{λ} and

$$F_{\lambda} \cong M_{\lambda}^c$$

It leads to polynomial realization for intertwiners

$$\Phi_{\mu\lambda}^{\nu} \in Hom(M_{\mu}^c \otimes M_{\lambda}^c, M_{\nu}^c), \quad \lambda \text{ is generic}$$

$$\Phi'_{\mu\lambda}^{\nu} \in Hom(M_{\mu}^c \otimes V_{\lambda}^c, M_{\nu}^c), \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_+$$

This allows us to prove

Proposition

Let $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ($i = 0, 1, 2, 3$). There exists a continuation of the certain elements of the braiding matrix B^M such that

$$B_{\rho\xi}^M \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} = B_{\rho\xi}^V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\rho, \xi \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 &\geq \rho \geq |\lambda_1 - \lambda_2|, & \lambda_3 + \rho &\geq \lambda_0 \geq |\lambda_3 - \rho|, \\ \lambda_1 + \lambda_3 &\geq \xi \geq |\lambda_1 - \lambda_3|, & \lambda_2 + \xi &\geq \lambda_0 \geq |\lambda_2 - \xi|. \end{aligned}$$

Feigin-Fuks construction and the simplest braided VOA

Feigin-Fuks:

$$a(z)a(w) \sim \frac{2\kappa}{(z-w)^2}, \quad L(z) = \frac{1}{4\kappa} : a(z)^2 : + \frac{\kappa-1}{2\kappa} a'(z)$$

$$c = 13 - 6\left(\kappa + \frac{1}{\kappa}\right)$$

$$F_{\lambda, \kappa} = S(a_{-1}, a_{-2}, \dots) \otimes \mathbf{1}_\lambda, \quad \begin{aligned} a_n \mathbf{1}_\lambda &= 0 \quad (n > 0), \\ a_0 \mathbf{1}_\lambda &= \lambda \mathbf{1}_\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Let $\hat{F}_\kappa = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}\kappa} F_{\lambda, \kappa}$ **and**

$$\mathbb{X}(\lambda, z) = \mathbf{1}_\lambda z^{\frac{\lambda a_0}{2\kappa}} e^{\left(\frac{\lambda}{2\kappa} \sum_{n>0} \frac{a_{-n}}{n} z^n\right)} e^{-\left(\frac{\lambda}{2\kappa} \sum_{n>0} \frac{a_n}{n} z^{-n}\right)}$$

For $|z| > |w|$,

$$\mathbb{X}(\lambda, z)\mathbb{X}(\mu, w) = (z-w)^{\frac{\lambda\mu}{2\kappa}} (\mathbb{X}(\lambda+\mu, w) + \dots)$$

$\mathcal{A}_{z,w}$ **is monodromy around the path**

$$\begin{aligned} w(t) &= \frac{1}{2}((z+w) + (w-z)e^{\pi it}), \\ z(t) &= \frac{1}{2}((z+w) + (z-w)e^{\pi it}), \quad t \in [0, 1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{z,w}(\mathbb{X}(\lambda, z)\mathbb{X}(\mu, w)) = q^{\frac{\lambda\mu}{2}} \mathbb{X}(\mu, w)\mathbb{X}(\lambda, z), \quad q = e^{\frac{\pi i}{\kappa}}$$

Proposition

1) There exists a linear correspondence

$$v \rightarrow Y(v, z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} v_{(n)} z^{-n-1}$$

such that $v \in \hat{F}_{\varkappa}$ and $v_{(n)} \in \text{End} \hat{F}_{\varkappa}$.

2) Let $|z| > |w|$ and $v_{\xi} \in F_{\xi, \varkappa}, v_{\eta} \in F_{\eta, \varkappa}$, where $\xi, \eta \in \mathbb{C}$. Then

$$\mathcal{A}_{z,w}(Y(v_{\xi}, z)Y(v_{\eta}, w)) = q^{\xi\eta/2} Y(v_{\eta}, w)Y(v_{\xi}, z).$$

3) There is a vector $\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}_0$, which satisfies

$$Y(\mathbf{1}, z) = \text{Id}_{\hat{F}_{\varkappa}}, \quad Y(v, z)\mathbf{1}|_{z=0} = v$$

for any $v \in \hat{F}_{\varkappa}$.

4) There exists an element $D \in \text{End}(\hat{F}_{\varkappa})$ such that

$$D\mathbf{1} = 0, \quad [D, Y(v, z)] = \frac{d}{dz} Y(v, z), \quad \forall v \in \hat{F}_{\varkappa}.$$

5) There exists an element $\omega \in \hat{F}_{\varkappa}$ such that

$$Y(\omega, z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} L_n z^{-n-2}$$

and L_n satisfy the relations of Virasoro algebra with $L_{-1} = D$.

Denote: $\mathbb{X}_s^+(z) = \mathbb{X}(-2, z)$ and $\mathbb{X}_s^-(z) = \mathbb{X}(2\varkappa, z)$

Correlators:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \mathbf{1}_\nu^*, \mathbb{X}(\mu_n, z_n) \dots \mathbb{X}_s^+(x_\ell) \dots \mathbb{X}_s^+(x_1) \dots \mathbb{X}(\mu_1, z_1) \mathbf{1}_{\mu_0} \rangle \\ &= \Psi_{\vec{z}}(x_1, \dots, x_\ell) \delta_{\nu, \mu_n + \dots + \mu_1 + \mu_0 - 2\ell} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{\vec{z}}(x_1, \dots, x_\ell) = \\ \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)^{2/\kappa} \prod_{i, p} (x_i - z_p)^{-\lambda_p/\kappa} \prod_{p < q} (z_p - z_q)^{\frac{\lambda_p \lambda_q}{2\kappa}} \end{aligned}$$

Screening charge:

$$Q^- v = \oint_{C_{z_2}} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \mathbb{X}_s^-(z_1) Y(z_2, v) \mathbf{1}|_{z_2=0}, \quad v \in F_\lambda, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Proposition (Properties of Q^-)

- (i) $[Q^-, L_n] = 0$
- (ii) Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \ker Q^-|_{F_{\lambda, \kappa}} &= V_{\Delta(\lambda), \kappa}, \quad \lambda \geq 0, \quad \Delta(\lambda) = -\frac{\lambda}{2} + \frac{\lambda(\lambda+2)}{4\kappa} \\ \ker Q^-|_{F_{\lambda, \kappa}} &= 0, \quad \lambda < 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $V_{\Delta(\lambda), \kappa}$ is irreducible Virassoro module with highest weight $\Delta(\lambda)$

Corollary The space $F_{\lambda, \kappa}$ gives a realization for the dual Verma module

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow V_{\Delta(\lambda), \kappa} \rightarrow F_{\lambda, \kappa} \rightarrow V_{\Delta(-\lambda-2), \kappa} \rightarrow 0 & \quad \lambda \geq 0 \\ F_{\lambda, \kappa} \cong V_{\Delta(\lambda), \kappa} & \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{\leq -1} \end{aligned}$$

$U_q(sl(2))$ and homology of local systems

Gomez, Sierra (late 80s, early 90s)

Felder, Wiezerkowski (1991)

Varchenko et al. (90s)

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi_{\vec{z}}(x_1, \dots, x_\ell) = \\ \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)^{2/\varkappa} \prod_{i, p} (x_i - z_p)^{-\lambda_p/\varkappa} \prod_{p < q} (z_p - z_q)^{\frac{\lambda_p \lambda_q}{2\varkappa}}, \\ \vec{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)\end{aligned}$$

defines 1-dimensional local system \mathcal{S} on $\mathbb{C}^\ell \setminus \mathcal{C}$
 \mathcal{C} is a set of hyperplanes: $x_i = x_j, x_i = z_k$

Sections: $s(x) = \alpha \cdot (\text{univalent branch of } \Psi_{\vec{z}}(x))$

One can define homology $H_\ell(\mathbb{C}^\ell \setminus \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S})$

There is a natural action of a permutation group Σ , therefore one can define:

$$H_\ell^{-\Sigma}(z_1, \dots, z_n, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) = H_\ell^{-\Sigma}(\mathbb{C}^\ell \setminus \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S})$$

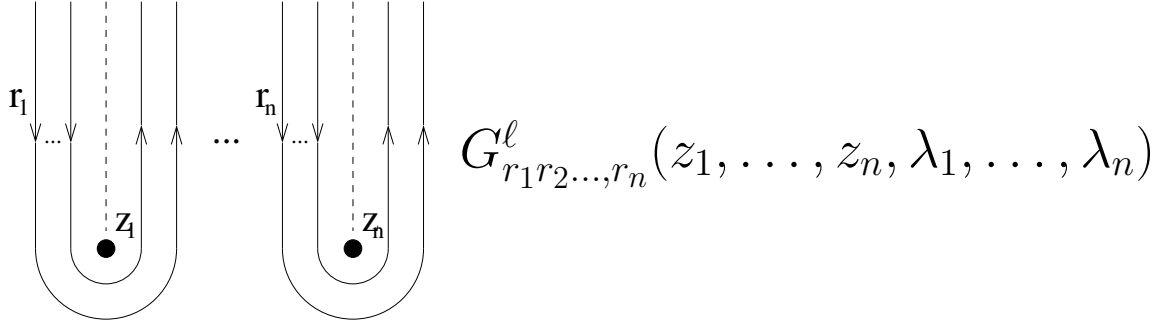
$$\text{Br}((x_i - x_j)^\rho) = \begin{cases} e^{\rho \log(x_i - x_j)} & \text{Re } x_i > \text{Re } x_j \\ e^{\rho \log(x_j - x_i)} & \text{Re } x_i < \text{Re } x_j \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Br}(\Psi) =$$

$$\prod \text{Br}(x_i - x_j)^{2/\varkappa} \prod \text{Br}(x_i - z_k)^{-\lambda_k/\varkappa} \prod \text{Br}(z_i - z_j)^{\frac{\lambda_i \lambda_j}{2\varkappa}}$$

is a section of \mathcal{S} over $D \subset \mathbb{C}^\ell$, if $z_i - z_j \notin i\mathbb{R}$
and $x_i - x_j \notin i\mathbb{R}$ in D .

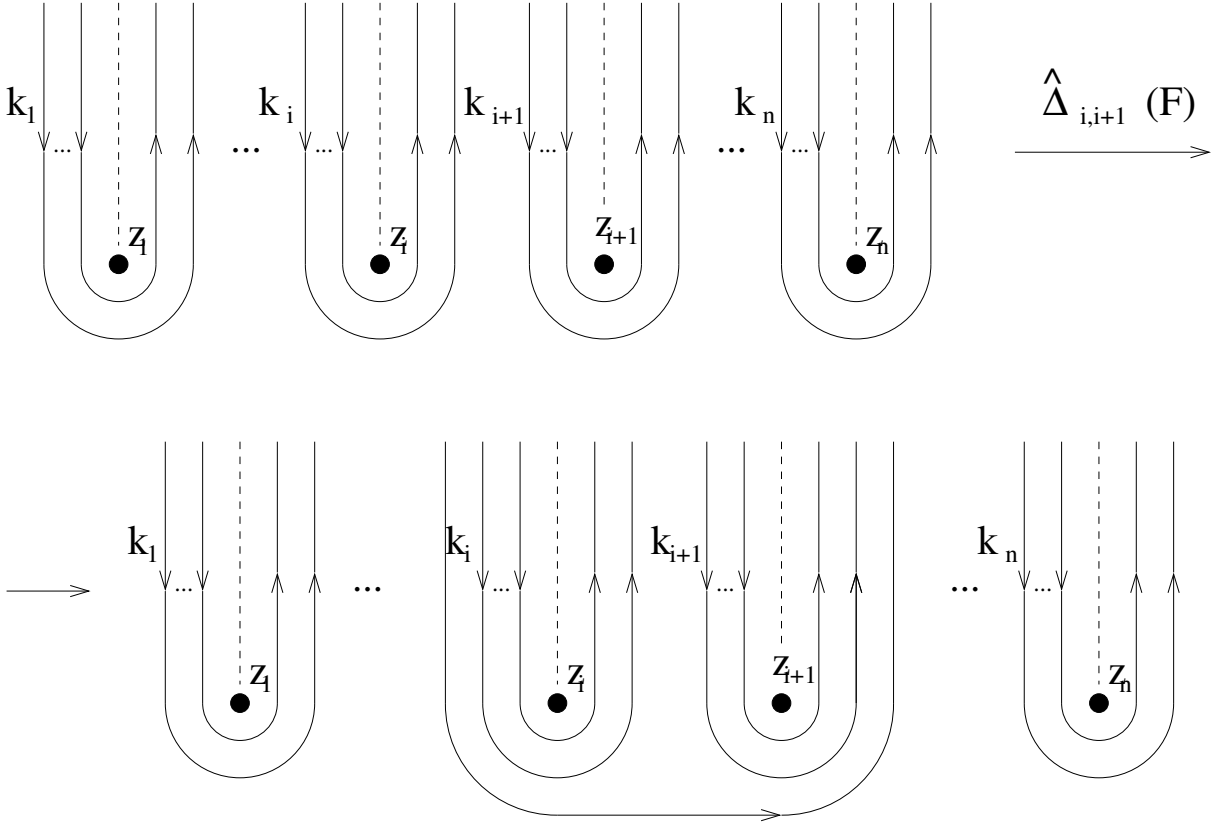
Gomez-Sierra contours:



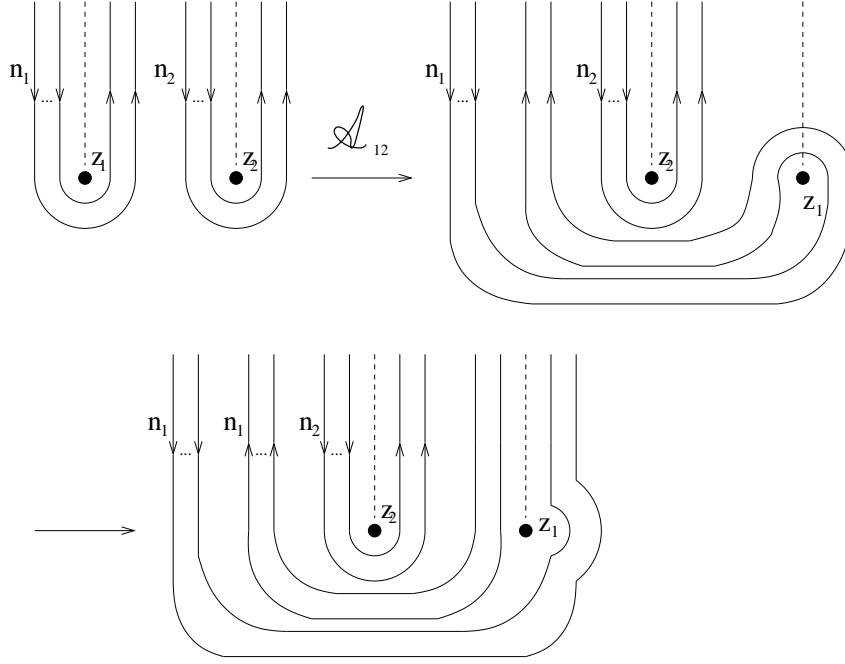
$$\varphi_{\vec{z}} : F^{k_1} v_{\lambda_1} \otimes \dots \otimes F^{k_n} v_{\lambda_n} \longmapsto G_{k_1, \dots, k_n}^\ell(z_1, \dots, z_n; \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_\ell),$$

where $v_{\lambda_1}, \dots, v_{\lambda_n}$ are highest weight vectors in Verma modules of $U_q(sl(z))$

One can obtain a geometric description of F -action:



Action of R -matrix as a monodromy operator:



Action of E -operator coincides up to a constant with the action of boundary operator.

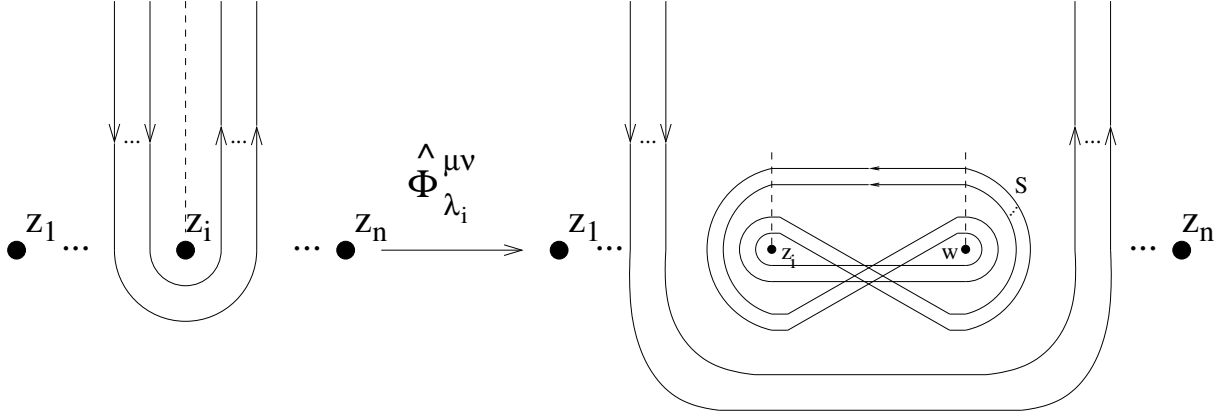
Theorem: i) There is a natural isomorphism between $H_\ell^{-\Sigma}(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n; \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$ and singular vectors on the level $\lambda - 2\ell$ in the tensor product of n Verma modules

$$\text{Sing}(M_{\lambda_1} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\lambda_n})[\lambda - 2\ell], \quad \lambda = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n$$

ii) The next diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Sing}_{\lambda-2\ell}(M_{\lambda_1} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\lambda_i} \otimes & \xrightarrow{i} & H_\ell^{-\Sigma}(z_1, \dots, z_n; \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \\ M_{\lambda_{i+1}} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\lambda_n}) & & \downarrow \mathcal{A}_{i,i+1} \\ \downarrow \check{R}_{i,i+1} & & \\ \text{Sing}_{\lambda-2\ell}(M_{\lambda_1} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\lambda_{i+1}} \otimes & \xrightarrow{i} & H_\ell^{-\Sigma}(z_1, \dots, z_n; \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \\ M_{\lambda_{i+1}} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\lambda_n}) & & \end{array}$$

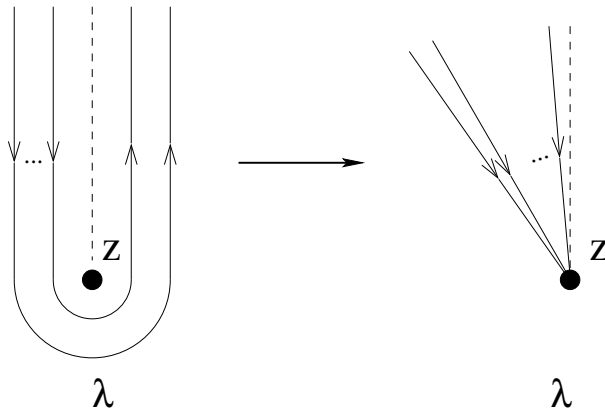
Intertwiners also possess geometric realization:



Proposition Let $\text{Re } z_1 < \text{Re } z_2 < \text{Re } z_3$ and λ_i ($i = 0, 1, 2, 3$) be generic. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{2,3}(\hat{\Phi}_{\rho}^{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}(z_1, z_2) \hat{\Phi}_{\lambda_0}^{\rho \lambda_3}(z_1, z_3)) &= \\ &= \sum_{\xi} B_{\rho \xi}^M \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \hat{\Phi}_{\xi}^{\lambda_1 \lambda_3}(z_1, z_3) \hat{\Phi}_{\lambda_0}^{\xi \lambda_2}(z_1, z_2), \end{aligned}$$

Irreducible representations: relative homology w.r.t. points z_1, \dots, z_n



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{2,3}(\hat{\Phi}_{\rho}^{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}(z_1, z_2) \hat{\Phi}_{\lambda_0}^{\rho \lambda_3}(z_1, z_3)) &= \\ &= \sum_{\xi} B_{\rho \xi}^V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \hat{\Phi}_{\xi}^{\lambda_1 \lambda_3}(z_1, z_3) \hat{\Phi}_{\lambda_0}^{\xi \lambda_2}(z_1, z_2), \quad \lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \end{aligned}$$

Braided VOA on the space

$$\mathbb{F}_{\varkappa} = \oplus_{\lambda \geq 0} (V_{\Delta(\lambda), \varkappa} \otimes V_{\lambda})$$

Let $\lambda, \mu, \nu \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\nu \leq \lambda + \mu$. Then there exists an intertwining operator

$$\Phi_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu}(z) : F_{\lambda, \varkappa} \otimes F_{\mu, \varkappa} \rightarrow F_{\nu, \varkappa}[[z, z^{-1}]] z^{\Delta(\nu) - \Delta(\mu) - \Delta(\lambda)},$$

i.e. the operator, such that

$$L_n \cdot \Phi_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu}(z) = \Phi_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu}(z) \Delta_{z,0}(L_n),$$

$$\Delta_{z,0}(L_n) = \oint_z \frac{d\xi}{2\pi i} \xi^{n+1} \left(\sum_m (\xi - z)^{-m-2} L_m \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes L_n.$$

In particular case when the first argument is the highest weight vector $\mathbf{1}_{\lambda} \in F_{\lambda, \varkappa}$, the explicit expression for the matrix elements of an intertwiner are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v^*, \Phi_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu}(z)(\mathbf{1}_{\lambda} \otimes v) \rangle &= \int_{P_{\lambda\mu}^s} \Psi_{0,z}(x_1, \dots, x_s) \\ \langle v^*, : \mathbb{X}(\lambda, z) \mathbb{X}_s^+(x_1) \dots \mathbb{X}_s^+(x_s) : v \rangle &dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^s, \\ v \in F_{\mu, \varkappa}, \quad v^* \in F_{\lambda+\mu-2s, \varkappa}^* \quad &(s = \frac{\lambda + \mu - \nu}{2}) \end{aligned}$$

Proposition Let $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, such that $0 < z_1 < z_2$ and $\lambda_i \geq 0$ ($i = 0, 1, 2, 3$). Then the following relation holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{A}_{z_1, z_2}(\Phi_{\lambda_3 \rho}^{\lambda_0}(z_2) \Phi_{\lambda_2 \lambda_1}^{\rho}(z_1))(P \otimes 1) = \\ & \sum_{\xi} B_{\rho \xi}^V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \Phi_{\lambda_2 \xi}^{\lambda_0}(z_1) \Phi_{\lambda_3 \lambda_1}^{\xi}(z_2). \end{aligned}$$

We define a map:

$$Y : v \otimes a \rightarrow Y(v \otimes a, z) = \sum_{\nu, \mu} \Phi_{\lambda \mu}^{\nu}(z)(v \otimes \cdot) \otimes \phi_{\mu \lambda}^{\nu}(\cdot \otimes a).$$

Here $v \in F_{\lambda, \kappa}$ and $a \in V_{\lambda}$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}$.

One can show that $[Q^- \otimes 1, Y(v \otimes a, z)] = 0$ if $v \in V_{\Delta(\lambda), \kappa}$. Therefore, Y acts as follows:

$$Y : \mathbb{F}_{\kappa} \rightarrow \text{End}(\mathbb{F}_{\kappa})\{z\}.$$

Proposition (i) Let $z, w \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 < z < w$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{A}_{z, w}(Y(v_1 \otimes a_1, w) Y(v_2 \otimes a_2, z)) = \\ & \sum_i Y(v_2 \otimes r_i^{(1)} a_2, z) Y(v_1 \otimes r_i^{(2)} a_1, w), \end{aligned}$$

where $R = \sum_i r_i^{(1)} \otimes r_i^{(2)}$ is the universal R-matrix for $U_q(sl(2))$.

(ii) Let $t, w, z \in \mathbb{R}$, such that $0 < t < w < z$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & Y(v_1 \otimes a_1, z) Y(Y(v_2 \otimes a_2, w - t) v_3 \otimes a_3, t) \mathbf{1} = \\ & Y(Y(v_1 \otimes a_1, z - w) v_2 \otimes a_2, w) Y(v_3 \otimes a_3, t) \mathbf{1}. \end{aligned}$$

Definition Let $\mathbb{V} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in I} \mathbb{V}_\lambda$ be a direct sum of graded complex vector spaces, called sectors: $\mathbb{V}_\lambda = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \mathbb{V}_\lambda[n]$. Let Δ_λ be complex numbers (conformal weights). \mathbb{V} is a braided VOA, if there are elements $0 \in I$ such that $\Delta_0 = 0$, $1 \in \mathbb{V}_0[0]$, linear maps $D : \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{V}$, $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{V}$ and the linear correspondence

$$\mathbb{Y}(\cdot, z) \cdot : \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{V}\{z\}, \quad \mathbb{Y} = \sum_{\lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2} \mathbb{Y}_\lambda^{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}(z),$$

$$\mathbb{Y}_\lambda^{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}(z) \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{V}_{\lambda_1} \otimes \mathbb{V}_{\lambda_2}, \mathbb{V}_\lambda) \otimes z^{\Delta_\lambda - \Delta_{\lambda_1} - \Delta_{\lambda_2}} \mathbb{C}[[z, z^{-1}]],$$

such that the following properties are satisfied:

- i) **Vacuum:** $\mathbb{Y}(1, z)v = v$, $\mathbb{Y}(v, z)1|_{z=0} = v$.
- ii) **Complex analyticity:** for any $v_i \in \mathbb{V}_{\lambda_i}$, ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) $\langle v_4^*, \mathbb{Y}(v_3, z_2)\mathbb{Y}(v_2, z_1)v_1 \rangle$ converge in the domain $|z_2| > |z_1|$ to a complex analytic function

$$r(z_1, z_2) \in z_1^{h_1} z_2^{h_2} (z_1 - z_2)^{h_3} \mathbb{C}[z_1^{\pm 1}, z_2^{\pm 1}, (z_1 - z_2)^{-1}]$$

where $h_1, h_2, h_3 \in \mathbb{C}$.

- iii) **Derivation property:** $\mathbb{Y}(Dv, z)1 = \frac{d}{dz} \mathbb{Y}(v, z)$.

- iv) **Braided commutativity (in a weak sense):**

$$\mathcal{A}_{z,w}(\mathbb{Y}(v, z)\mathbb{Y}(u, w)) = \sum_i \mathbb{Y}(u_i, w)\mathbb{Y}(v_i, z),$$

where $\mathcal{R}(u \otimes v) = \sum_i u_i \otimes v_i$.

v) There exists an element $\omega \in \mathbb{V}_0$, such that

$$Y(\omega, z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} L_n z^{-n-2}$$

and L_n satisfy the relations of Virasoro algebra with $L_{-1} = D$.

vi) Associativity (in a weak sense):

$$\mathbb{Y}(\mathbb{Y}(u, z - w)v, w) = \mathbb{Y}(u, z)\mathbb{Y}(v, w).$$

Theorem

The correspondence $Y : \mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{K}} \rightarrow \text{End}(\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{K}})\{z\}$ gives a braided VOA structure on $\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{K}}$.

$SL_q(2)$ as semi-infinite cohomology for $\mathbb{F}_\varkappa \otimes \mathbb{F}_{-\varkappa}$

b-c ghost system: $b(z)c(w) \sim \frac{1}{z-w}$

$$b(z) = \sum_m b_m z^{-m-2}, \quad c(z) = \sum_n c_n z^{-n+1}$$

Fock module

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &= \{b_{-n_1} \dots b_{-n_k} c_{-m_1} \dots c_{-m_\ell} \mathbf{1}; \\ c_k \mathbf{1} &= 0, \quad k \geq 2; \quad b_k \mathbf{1} = 0, \quad k \geq -1\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$L^\Lambda(z) = 2 : \partial b(z) c(z) : + : b(z) \partial c(z) :$$

Grading is given by $N_g = \oint \frac{dz}{2\pi i} : c(z) b(z) :$

Let V be a VOA with central charge 26, then holds:

Proposition The operator of ghost number 1

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \oint \frac{dz}{2\pi i} J_B(z), \\ J_B(z) &=: \left(L^V(z) + \frac{1}{2} L^\Lambda(z) \right) c(z) : + \frac{3}{2} \partial^2 c(z) \end{aligned}$$

is nilpotent: $Q^2 = 0$ on $V \otimes \Lambda$.

One can define $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+k}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, V)$

Proposition The space $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{F}_{\varkappa} \otimes \mathbb{F}_{-\varkappa}$ possesses a structure of braided VOA such that the Virasoro algebra has central charge 26.

Lian-Zuckerman associative product on
 $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+\cdot}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F})$

$$\mu(U, V) = \text{Res}_z \left(\frac{U(z)V}{z} \right)$$

U, V are representatives of $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+\cdot}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F})$

Proposition The operation μ being considered on $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+\cdot}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F})$ is associative and satisfies the following commutativity relation:

$$\mu(U, V) = \mu(\hat{r}_i^{(1)}V, \hat{r}_i^{(2)}U)(-1)^{|U||V|},$$

where $\hat{R} = \sum_i \hat{r}_i^{(1)} \otimes \hat{r}_i^{(2)} = R\bar{R}$ and $|\cdot|$ denotes the ghost number.

Proposition Let $\mathbf{F} = \oplus_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_+} (V_{\Delta(\lambda), \varkappa} \otimes V_{\bar{\Delta}(\lambda), -\varkappa})$.

i) \mathbf{F} has a VOA structure

ii) $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+0}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{F}(\lambda)) = \mathbb{C}$, where

$$\mathbf{F}(\lambda) = V_{\Delta(\lambda), \varkappa} \otimes V_{\bar{\Delta}(\lambda), -\varkappa}$$

Proposition The explicit form of the representatives of $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+0}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F}(1))$ is:

$$\Phi^0(z) = L_{-1}^{\varkappa}\Phi(z) - L_{-1}^{-\varkappa}\Phi(z) - \varkappa^{-1} : bc : (z)\Phi(z)$$

Theorem

(i)

$$H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+0}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F}) \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda \geq 0} V_{\lambda}^q \otimes V_{\lambda}^{q^{-1}}$$

(ii) $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+0}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F}(1))$ generates all $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+0}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F})$ by means of multiplication μ , and the generating set

$$A, B, C, D \in H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+0}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F}(1)) \cong V_1^q \otimes V_1^{q^{-1}}$$

satisfies the following relations:

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= BAq^{-1}, & CB &= BC, & DB &= BDq, \\ CA &= ACq, & AD - DA &= (q^{-1} - q)BC, \\ CD &= DCq^{-1}, & AD - q^{-1}BC &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$(H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+0}(Vir, \mathbb{C}\mathbf{c}, \mathbb{F}), \mu) \cong SL_q(2)$$