

GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION THEORY OF THE HILBERT SCHEMES

PART III

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ABSTRACT. Realizing the fixed point basis in the equivariant cohomology of $(\mathbb{C}^2)^{[n]}$ as the Jack polynomials, we prove an equivariant version of the Lehn theorem for $X = \mathbb{C}^2$.

1. THE FIRST CHERN CLASS OF THE TAUTOLOGICAL BUNDLE

Let $\mathcal{Z}_n \subset X^{[n]} \times X$ be the universal family over $X^{[n]}$ and p denote its projection to $X^{[n]}$. Then $\mathcal{T}_n := p_* \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{Z}_n)$ is a rank n vector bundle over $X^{[n]}$, called the *tautological bundle*.¹ In this section we compute the cup product operator $c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet : H_T^*(X^{[n]}) \rightarrow H_T^*(X^{[n]})$. This operator was first studied in [L] (in the non-equivariant setting). Our exposition follows [N].

1.1. Eigenvectors of $c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup$.

We start from a straightforward computation of $c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet$ in the fixed point basis.

Lemma 1.1. *The operator $c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet$ is diagonalizable in the fixed point basis:*

$$c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup [\xi_\lambda] = -(n(\lambda)\epsilon_1 + n(\lambda^*)\epsilon_2)[\xi_\lambda],$$

where $n(\lambda) := \sum_i (i-1)\lambda_i$.

Proof. By definition, we have $c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup [\xi_\lambda] = c_1(\mathcal{T}_{n|\xi_\lambda})[\xi_\lambda]$. It remains to notice that

$$c_1(\mathcal{T}_{n|\xi_\lambda}) = \sum_{i=1}^{l(\lambda)} \sum_{j=1}^{\lambda_i} (-i-1)\epsilon_1 - (j-1)\epsilon_2 = -n(\lambda)\epsilon_1 - n(\lambda^*)\epsilon_2.$$

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1.2. Laplace-Beltrami operator.

Definition 1.1. The linear operator $\square_N^k : \Lambda_N \rightarrow \Lambda_N$, defined by

$$\square_N^k(f) = \left(\frac{k}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 \partial_{x_i}^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{x_i^2}{x_i - x_j} \partial_{x_i} - r(N-1) \right), \quad f \in \Lambda_N^r,$$

is called the *Laplace-Beltrami operator*.

Exercise 1.2. Check $\rho_{N+1,N} \circ \square_{N+1}^k = \square_N^k \circ \rho_{N+1,N}$.

Hence, we can define a linear operator

$$\square^k : \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda, \quad \square^k := \varprojlim \square_N^k.$$

Those operators are actually diagonalizable in the basis of Jack polynomials:

Proposition 1.3. [M, Exercise VI.4.3(b)] We have: $\square^k(P_\lambda^{(k)}) = (n(\lambda^*)k - n(\lambda)) \cdot P_\lambda^{(k)}$.

¹ The fiber of \mathcal{T}_n at the codimension n ideal $I \subset \mathbb{C}[x, y]$ is identified with $\mathbb{C}[x, y]/I$. Moreover, its determinant $\wedge^n \mathcal{T}_n$ is actually the line bundle $\mathcal{O}_{(\mathbb{C}^2)^{[n]}}(1)$ arising from the Proj-construction of $(\mathbb{C}^2)^{[n]}$.

1.3. Geometric interpretation of \square^k .

Let $\theta^T : \Lambda_{\mathbb{F}} \xrightarrow{\sim} M_{\text{loc}}^T = \bigoplus H_*^{T,BM}(X^{[n]})_{\text{loc}}$ be the isomorphism from the last talk. Identifying $H_i^{T,BM}(X^{[n]})$ with $H_T^{4n-i}(X^{[n]})$, consider a linear operator $D : \Lambda_{\mathbb{F}} \rightarrow \Lambda_{\mathbb{F}}$ which corresponds to $c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet : H_T^*(X^{[n]}) \rightarrow H_T^*(X^{[n]})$ under this isomorphism.

Theorem 1.4. *We have: $D = \epsilon_1 \cdot \square^k$.*

Proof. According to the main result from the last time, we have:

$$\theta^T : P_\lambda^{(k)} \mapsto \epsilon_1^{-|\lambda|} c_\lambda(k)^{-1} \cdot [\xi_\lambda], \quad k = -\epsilon_2/\epsilon_1.$$

Therefore D is determined by the condition $D(P_\lambda^{(k)}) = \epsilon_1(n(\lambda^*)k - n(\lambda))P_\lambda^{(k)}$. Combining with Proposition 1.3, we get the result. \square

The following is straightforward (see Appendix for the proof):

Corollary 1.5. *Identifying $\Lambda_{\mathbb{C}} \simeq \mathbb{C}[p_1, p_2, \dots]$, the operator \square^k is given by*

$$\square^k = \frac{k}{2} \sum_{m,n>0} mnp_{m+n}\partial_{p_m}\partial_{p_n} + \frac{k-1}{2} \sum_{m>0} m(m-1)p_m\partial_{p_m} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m,n>0} (m+n)p_mp_n\partial_{p_{m+n}}.$$

1.4. Lehn's formula.

In this section we reformulate Corollary 1.5 in a more standard form.

Recall that under the isomorphism $\theta^T : \Lambda_{\mathbb{F}} \xrightarrow{\sim} M_{\text{loc}}^T$, the operators p_m and $-m\partial_{p_m}$ correspond to $\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_2}[-m] = Z_{\epsilon_2}[-m]$ and $\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_1}[m] = \frac{(-1)^m}{k}Z_{\epsilon_2}[m] = (-1)^{m-1}Z_{\epsilon_1}[m]$, respectively.

Hence, the operator $c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet$ is given by the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned} c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet &= \frac{\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2}{2} \sum_{m>0} (m-1)\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_2}[-m]\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_1}[m] - \\ &\quad \sum_{m,n>0} \left(\frac{\epsilon_2}{2}\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_2}[-m-n]\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_1}[m]\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_1}[n] + \frac{\epsilon_1}{2}\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_2}[-m]\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_2}[-n]\mathfrak{q}_{\epsilon_1}[m+n] \right). \end{aligned}$$

Let us now introduce $\delta_T : H_T^*(X) \rightarrow H_T^*(X) \otimes H_T^*(X)$ as the adjoint of the cup product $\cup : H_T^*(X) \otimes H_T^*(X) \rightarrow H_T^*(X)$ with respect to the intersection pairing. In other words, δ_T is a push-forward along the diagonal embedding $X \rightarrow X \times X$. This is a $H_T^*(\text{pt})$ -linear map with $\delta_T(1) = 1 \otimes [X] = \epsilon_1\epsilon_2 \cdot 1 \otimes 1$. Iterating δ_T , we get $\delta_T^r(1) = (\epsilon_1\epsilon_2)^r \cdot 1 \otimes \cdots \otimes 1$.

For $\alpha \in H_T^*(X)$ with $\delta_T(\alpha) = \sum_i \alpha_i^1 \otimes \alpha_i^2$, we set:

$$(\mathfrak{q}_m \mathfrak{q}_n)(\alpha) := \sum \mathfrak{q}_{\alpha_i^1}[m] \mathfrak{q}_{\alpha_i^2}[n].$$

Using this notation together with $K_X = -\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2$ ($K_{\mathbb{C}^2}$ is generated by $dx \wedge dy$), we get:

Theorem 1.6. [L] *We have*

$$c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet = -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{m_1+m_2+m_3=0} : \mathfrak{q}_{m_1} \mathfrak{q}_{m_2} \mathfrak{q}_{m_3} : (1) - \frac{1}{4} \sum_m (|m|-1) : \mathfrak{q}_{-m} \mathfrak{q}_m : (K_X),$$

where $: :$ denotes the normal ordering.

This beautiful result was first proved by Lehn ([L]) in the non-equivariant setting for any X . The key observation of [L] was a geometric action of Vir on M discussed in the next section.

1.5. Virasoro action on M .

Let us first introduce another important Lie algebra:

Definition 1.2. The complex Lie algebra Vir with a basis $\{L_n, n \in \mathbb{Z}, c\}$ and a Lie bracket

$$[L_n, L_m] = (n - m)L_{n+m} + \frac{c}{12}(n^3 - n)\delta_{n+m}^0, [c, L_n] = 0, n, m \in \mathbb{Z},$$

is called the *Virasoro algebra*. Its representation V is of *central charge* $c_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ if $c|_V = c_0 \cdot \text{Id}_V$.

Define operators $\mathcal{L}_n : H^*(X) \rightarrow \text{End}(M)$ by $\mathcal{L}_n(\alpha) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} : \mathfrak{q}_l \mathfrak{q}_{n-l} : (\alpha)$. According to [L, Theorem 3.3], those operators satisfy the following commutator relation:

$$(1) \quad [\mathcal{L}_n(\alpha), \mathcal{L}_m(\beta)] = (n - m)\mathcal{L}_{n+m}(\alpha \cup \beta) - \frac{n^3 - n}{12}\delta_{n+m}^0 \cdot \langle c_2(X), \alpha\beta \rangle \cdot \text{Id}_M.$$

Corollary 1.7. *The operators $\{\mathcal{L}_n(1)\}$ define an action of the Virasoro algebra Vir on M of central charge $-e(X)$ ($e(X)$ is the Euler number of X).*

Remark 1.1. This result can be considered as a slight update of the classical Vir-action on the Fock space over the Heisenberg algebra \mathcal{H} (see [KR, Proposition 2.3]).

In [L], Theorem 1.6 is derived from the following commutator formula:

$$(2) \quad [c_1(\mathcal{T}_n) \cup \bullet, \mathfrak{q}_\alpha[n]] = n \cdot \mathcal{L}_n(\alpha) + \frac{n(|n| - 1)}{2} \mathfrak{q}_{K_X \cup \alpha}[n].$$

We refer the reader to [L] for more details on this elegant result.

APPENDIX A. PROOF OF COROLLARY 1.5

In this section we prove Corollary 1.5, that is

$$\square^k = \frac{k}{2} \sum_{m,n > 0} mnp_{m+n} \partial_{p_m} \partial_{p_n} + \frac{k-1}{2} \sum_{m > 0} m(m-1)p_m \partial_{p_m} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m,n > 0} (m+n)p_m p_n \partial_{p_{m+n}}.$$

It suffices to check this on the basis element $p_\lambda = p_{\lambda_1} p_{\lambda_2} \dots p_{\lambda_s}$. We also work with $\Lambda_N, N \gg 1$, so that the equality in Λ is obtained as the limit. Applying the differential operator on the right hand side to p_λ we obtain:

$$(3) \quad k \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq s} \lambda_i \lambda_j p_{\lambda_i + \lambda_j} p_{\lambda_1} \dots \widehat{p_{\lambda_i}} \dots \widehat{p_{\lambda_j}} \dots p_{\lambda_s} + \frac{k-1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq s} \lambda_i (\lambda_i - 1) p_{\lambda_1} \dots p_{\lambda_s} + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq s} \frac{\lambda_i}{2} \sum_{c,d > 0}^{c+d=\lambda_i} p_c p_d p_{\lambda_1} \dots \widehat{p_{\lambda_i}} \dots p_{\lambda_s}.$$

Let us now compute $\square_N^k(p_\lambda)$, where we expand p_λ as $p_\lambda = (\sum_{j_1} x_{j_1}^{\lambda_1}) \dots (\sum_{j_s} x_{j_s}^{\lambda_s})$:

$$(4) \quad \left(\frac{k}{2} \sum_{1 \leq r \leq s} \lambda_r (\lambda_r - 1) p_\lambda + k \sum_{1 \leq r_1 < r_2 \leq s} \lambda_{r_1} \lambda_{r_2} p_{\lambda_{r_1+r_2}} p_{\lambda_1} \dots \widehat{p_{\lambda_{r_1}}} \dots \widehat{p_{\lambda_{r_2}}} \dots p_{\lambda_s} \right) + \sum_{1 \leq r \leq s} \lambda_r \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \sum_{1 \leq j \leq N}^{j \neq i} \frac{x_i^{\lambda_r+1}}{x_i - x_j} p_{\lambda_1} \dots \widehat{p_{\lambda_r}} \dots p_{\lambda_s} - (\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_s)(N-1)p_\lambda.$$

To see that (4) simplifies to (3), use the following identity:

$$\sum_{1 \leq i \neq j \leq N} \frac{x_i^{t+1}}{x_i - x_j} = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (x_i^t + x_i^{t-1} x_j + \dots + x_i x_j^{t-1} + x_j^t) = (N-1)p_t + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{c,d > 0}^{c+d=t} p_c p_d - \frac{t-1}{2} p_t.$$

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