

12 Jordan: Quantization of character varieties via 4D TFTs.

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I Character varieties  $\text{Ch}_G(S)$ .

II Its Quantization  $\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{U}_g(q)}(S)$

III Rep theory for  $\otimes$ -categories

IV Computing  $\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{U}_g(q)}(S)$ .

I. Definition: The character variety  $\text{Ch}_G(S)$  is  $\text{Ch}_G(S) = \{p: \pi_1(S) \rightarrow G\} / \text{conj-action of } G$ .

eg i)  $S = \text{Annulus} = \text{Annulus}$ .  $\text{Ch}_G(S) = G/G$  adjoint quotient.

ii)  $S = \text{torus} \text{ or } \text{pair of pants}$   $\text{Ch}_G(S) = \frac{G \times G}{G}$

iii)  $S = \text{disk} \Rightarrow \text{Ch}_G(S) = \text{Comm}_n(G) = \{(A, B) \mid ABA^{-1}B^{-1} = \text{Id}\}.$

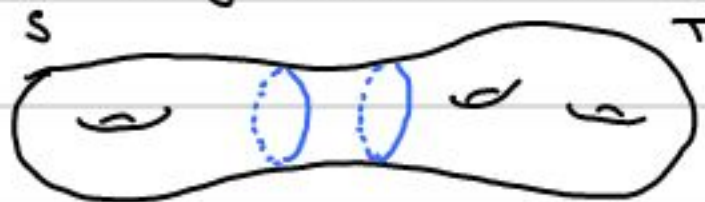
$$G \times G \xrightarrow{\mu} G \xrightarrow{\mu^{-1}(\text{Id})} G.$$

iv)  $S = \text{point} = \text{pt}/G = BG$   $\text{Qcoh}(BG) = \text{Rep } G$

I.  $\text{Ch}_G(S)$  carries a canonical Poisson bracket (Goldman Atiyah-Bott) ( $G$  red. for Killing form)

II.  $\text{Ch}_G(S) = \text{Map}(S, BG)$  topological setting:  $BG$  algebraic,  $S$  simplicial

Observation:  $\text{Ch}_G(S \sqcup_{P \times I} T)$



$$\text{Qcoh}(\text{Ch}_G(S \sqcup_{P \times I} T)) = \text{Qcoh}_G(S) \boxtimes_{\text{Qcoh}(P \times I)} \text{Qcoh}_G(T)$$

Goal: Quantize  $\text{Ch}_G(S)$  uniformizing  $G, S$ .

Theorem/Construction: (B.Z. Brochier, J.) There exists a (2+2)-D TFT  $\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{U}_g(q)}$  such that

$\text{Ch}_{\mathcal{U}_g(q)}(S)$  is a quantization of  $\text{Ch}_G(S)$ . When  $S$  is punctured, we produce an algebra  $\mathcal{A}_S \in \mathcal{U}_g(q)\text{-mod}$  and describe it explicitly.

$$\mathbb{D}^2 = \text{torus} \mapsto \text{Rep } U_q(\mathfrak{g})$$

$$\text{Ann} = \text{sun} \mapsto \mathcal{O}_q(G/G) \text{-mod}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_q(\mathfrak{g}) \text{-mod}_{U_q(\mathfrak{g})}$$

↑  
braid dual, ref. eq. alg.;  
equivariantized  $q$ -;  $j$   
locally finite subalgebra...

Known topological/algebraic constructions

$$V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_n \hookrightarrow B_n(\text{torus}).$$

$$M \otimes V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_n \hookrightarrow PB_n(\text{torus})$$

$\Rightarrow$  Reconstruction.

$$S = \text{pair of pants} \mapsto \mathcal{D}_q^{U_q(\mathfrak{g})}(G/G) \text{-mod}$$

$$= \mathcal{D}_q(G) \text{-mod}_{U_q(\mathfrak{g})}$$

Weisenberg double, quantum diff ops

$$B_n(S) := \pi_1(\text{Conf}_n(S))$$

$$M \otimes V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_n \hookrightarrow PB_n(\text{pair of pants})$$

Brochier-J. : Reconstruction.

$$\mathcal{D}_q(G) \hookrightarrow \tilde{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) = \text{Map}(T^2, D^2).$$

$$\tilde{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \text{ restore F.T.}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_q(G) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{O}(G \times G) \hookrightarrow \tilde{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \quad (\text{because it is a character variety.})$$

$$\downarrow q=e^h$$

$$\mathcal{D}(G) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{g})$$

Fourier transform  $\rightsquigarrow$  Springer theory  
no Fourier transform.

" $\rightsquigarrow$ " = degeneration.

e.g.

$$T^2 = \text{torus} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{D}_q^{\text{str}}(G/G) \text{-mod}$$

$$= \mathcal{D}_q(G) //_{\mu_q} U_q(\mathfrak{g}) \quad \text{"quantum Hamiltonian reduction."}$$

Related to DAHA:  $q^k=1$  [Vergara-Vasserot]

$eH_{q,t} \in \mathbb{C}$  for  $GL_N$ . —  $q=e^h$  [J].

$eH_{q,t} \in \mathbb{C}$  for  $GL_2$ : joint with M. Ballezovic  
 $q \in \mathbb{C}$ . Note also "Sam $_q$ ".

### III Factorization homology: (Beilinson-Drinfeld, Lurie, Francis)

$A = E_n$ -algebra in  $\mathcal{C}^\otimes$  a closed symmetric monoidal  $(\otimes, 1) \sim \text{cat}$

$A$ -braid monoidal tensor category  $\in E_2\text{-alg}(\underline{\text{Cat}}_k^\otimes)$  ← Deligne, Kelly tensor product

Factorization homology:  $Z_A(S) \in \mathcal{C}^\otimes = \underline{\text{Cat}}_k^\otimes$

$E_2\text{-alg} = E_1\text{-alg}$  in  $E_1\text{-alg}$

$E_1$ -algebra in  $\underline{\text{Cat}} \ni$  tensor categories (rigid)

Note  $E_2 = (m_{\text{ver}}, m_{\text{hor}}) \cong (\otimes, \varepsilon)$

$$Z_A(S) = \text{Colim}_{\bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i \rightarrow S} A^{\boxtimes n}$$

In particular,  $A$  = braided

↑  
braiding

$$Z_A(P \times I) = E_1\text{-algebra}$$

$$\text{box with } n \text{ circles} \rightarrow \text{circle}$$

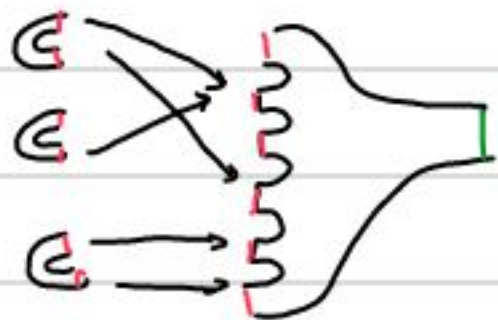
$$Z_A(S) \text{ (pair of pants with red box)} \rightarrow \text{circle}$$

is a module category.

$$\text{Theorem (Francis)} \quad Z_A(S \cup T) \cong Z_A(S) \boxtimes_{Z_A(P \times I)} Z_A(T)$$



5 a punctured surface has a handle & comb decomposition.



$$Z_A(\text{handle}) = Z_A(\text{comb}) \boxtimes_{Z_A(-)} Z_A(\text{comb})$$

Technique: (Beck monadicity) Oshik:  $M$ -right  $A$ -mod,  $m \in M$  cyclic generator.  $\exists$  an algebra

$\text{End}(M) \in A\text{-alg}$ .  $M \simeq \text{End}(M)\text{-mod}$ .

BZ.B.I:  $F: A \rightarrow B$ , have base change  $M \boxtimes_A B = F(\text{End}(M)\text{-mod}_B)$ .

$$Z_A(\text{comb}) = \mathcal{O}_{A \boxtimes A\text{-mod}} \leftarrow \text{PET}$$



$$\bigoplus_X X^* \boxtimes X$$

$$\downarrow \tau^{\text{tr}}$$

$$\bigoplus_X X^* \boxtimes X \hookrightarrow \text{Majid braided monoidal}$$

Pivotal  $A \boxtimes\text{-cat} \rightsquigarrow$  Frobenius algebra,  $A \xrightarrow{\text{tr}} k$ .

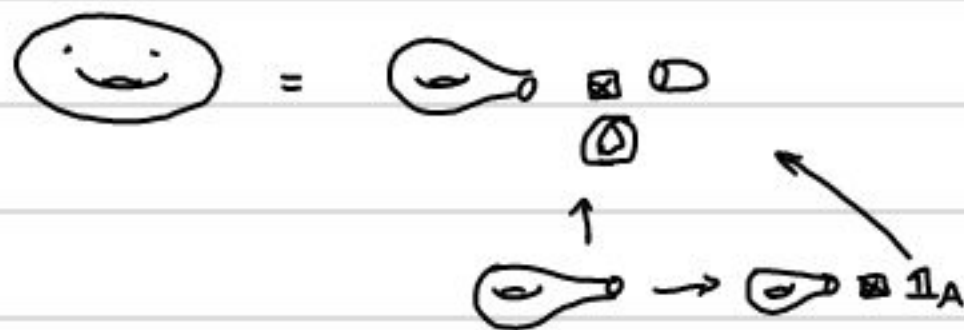
$$\text{Hom}(\mathbb{1}, -) : A \rightarrow \text{Vect}_k \quad \text{pivotal} \Rightarrow (\mathbb{1}, X \otimes Y) = (\mathbb{1}, Y \otimes X^{**})$$

$$(\mathbb{1}, Y \otimes X)$$

Frobenius algebra:  $A = \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C})$  with module  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Let  $e_i \in \mathbb{C}^n$

Game: embed  $\mathbb{C}^n \hookrightarrow \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C})$  regular rep.

$$\text{br}_m(a) = \langle e_i, e_i \cdot a \rangle \in k \quad \text{br}_m^*(1) = E_i^i, \quad \mathbb{C}^n \simeq E_i^i \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}).$$



$$Z_A(\mathbb{1}) = \mathcal{O}_q(\mathbb{G})\text{-mod}_A$$



Hamiltonian reduction.