

# Lecture 2

Note Title

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① The double of a Hopf algebra  
(Drinfeld double):

Let  $H, H^*, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be a  
dual pair of Hopf algebras.

Denote by  $H^{\circ}$  the Hopf algebra  
structure on  $H^*$  with the same  
multiplication as on  $H^*$ , but with  
the opposite comultiplication:

$$\Delta_{H^{\circ}}(x) = \sigma \circ \Delta_{H^*}(x)$$

where  $\sigma(a \otimes b) = b \otimes a$ .

Define the following bilinear  
operation on  $\mathcal{D}(H, H^*) = H \otimes H^*$

$$(a \otimes l)(b \otimes l) = \sum_{b, l} a b_{(2)} \otimes l_{(2)} m.$$

$$\cdot \langle b_{(1)}, S^{-1}(l_{(1)}) \rangle \langle b_{(3)}, l_{(3)} \rangle$$

Here we used notations

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{H}}^{(3)}(b) = \sum_b b_{(1)} \otimes b_{(2)} \otimes b_{(3)}$$

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{H}^0}^{(3)}(l) = \sum_l l_{(1)} \otimes l_{(2)} \otimes l_{(3)}$$

Thm. (1) This operation defines an associative algebra structure on  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{H}^*)$ .

(2) This algebra is a Hopf algebra with

$$\Delta(a \otimes 1) = \sum_a (a_{(1)} \otimes 1) \otimes (a_{(2)} \otimes 1)$$

$$\Delta(1 \otimes l) = \sum_l (1 \otimes l_{(1)}) \otimes (1 \otimes l_{(2)})$$

(3) This Hopf algebra is quasitriangular with  $R = \sum_i (e_i \otimes 1) \otimes (1 \otimes e^i)$

Example ①  $U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+ = \langle H, E \mid [H, E] = 2E \rangle / \langle \hbar \rangle$

$$\Delta H = H \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes H,$$

$$\Delta E = E \otimes \exp\left(\frac{\hbar H}{2}\right) + 1 \otimes E$$

Consider the algebra

$$U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^{\circ} = \langle H^{\vee}, F \mid [H^{\vee}, F] = -\frac{\hbar}{2} F \rangle / \langle \hbar \rangle$$

It is a topological Hopf algebra with the comultiplication

$$\Delta H^{\vee} = H^{\vee} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes H^{\vee}$$

$$\Delta F = F \otimes 1 + \exp(-2H^{\vee}) \otimes F$$

The algebra  $U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^{\circ}$  is filtered by the degree of elements

$$\deg(H^{\vee}) \leq 1, \quad \deg(F) \leq 1,$$

$$\deg(ab) \leq \deg(a) + \deg(b)$$

The exponent in the coproduct is

a formal power series convergent in the  $\hbar$ -adic topology corresponding to this filtration.

Proposition (1) There exists a unique Hopf pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+ \otimes U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^{\circ} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$  with

$$\langle H, H^{\vee} \rangle = 1, \quad \langle H, F \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle E, H^{\vee} \rangle = 0, \quad \langle E, F \rangle = 1$$

(2) Monomials

$$\frac{1}{n! (m)!} H^{\vee n} F^m, \quad (m)! = \frac{\text{sh}(\frac{\hbar m}{2}) \text{sh}(\frac{\hbar(m-1)}{2}) \dots \text{sh}(\frac{\hbar}{2})}{\text{sh}(\frac{\hbar}{2}) \text{sh}(\frac{\hbar}{2}) \dots \text{sh}(\frac{\hbar}{2})}$$

form a basis in  $U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^*$  dual to  $H^n E^m$  in  $U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+$

The following proposition describes the double  $\mathcal{D}(U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+, U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^*)$  in terms of generators and relations.

Proposition. The double  $\mathcal{D}(U_{\hbar}\mathfrak{b}_+, U_{\hbar}\mathfrak{b}_+^*)$  is generated by  $H, E, H^\vee, F$  with defining relations

$$[H, H^\vee] = 0, \quad [H, E] = 2E, \quad [H, F] = -2F$$

$$[H^\vee, E] = \frac{\hbar}{2}E, \quad [H^\vee, F] = -\frac{\hbar}{2}F$$

$$[E, F] = e^{\frac{\hbar H}{2}} - e^{-2H^\vee},$$

According to general properties of  $\mathcal{D}(H, H^*)$ , it is a Hopf algebra with

$$\Delta H = H \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes H, \quad \Delta H^\vee = H^\vee \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes H^\vee$$

$$\Delta E = E \otimes e^{\frac{\hbar H}{2}} + 1 \otimes E, \quad \Delta F = F \otimes 1 + e^{-2H^\vee} \otimes F$$

It is also quasitriangular with

$$R = \exp(H \otimes H^\vee) \sum_{m \geq 0} \frac{1}{(m)!} E^m \otimes F^m$$

in  $\mathcal{D}(U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+, U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^*)$

② Notice that elements  $H - \frac{\hbar}{4} H^{\vee}$  generate a Hopf ideal (ideal in the algebra and  $\Delta I \subset I \otimes H + H \otimes I$ )

$$U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{sl}_2 = \mathcal{D}(U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+, U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^*) / I$$

Since the quotient over  $I$  preserves quasitriangularity,  $U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{sl}_2$  is quasitriangular with

$$R = \exp\left(\frac{\hbar}{4} H \otimes H\right) \sum_{m \geq 0} \frac{1}{(m)!} E^m \otimes F^m$$

The algebra  $U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{sl}_2$  is generated by  $H, E, F$  with defining relations

$$[H, E] = 2E, \quad [H, F] = -2F$$

$$[E, F] = \frac{\text{sh}\left(\frac{\hbar}{2} H\right)}{\text{sh}\left(\frac{\hbar}{2}\right)}$$

with the co-multiplication

$$\Delta H = H \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes H, \quad \Delta E = E \otimes e^{\frac{\hbar H}{2}} + 1 \otimes E$$

$$\Delta F = F \otimes 1 + e^{-\frac{\hbar H}{2}} \otimes F.$$

③ We can take a different topological version of  $\mathcal{D}(U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+, U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^*)$ .

(a) Define  $C_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{b}_-)$  as the Hopf algebra generated by invertible  $L$  and by  $F$  with defining relations

$$LF = e^{-\hbar} FL$$

and with the co-product

$$\Delta L = L \otimes L, \quad \Delta F = F \otimes 1 + L^{-1} \otimes F$$

It is not difficult to see that

- $C_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{b}_+) \rightarrow U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{b}_+^0$

$$L \mapsto \exp(2H^v), \quad F \mapsto F$$

is a homomorphism of algebras

- the pairing defined on generators by

$$\langle H, F \rangle = 0, \quad \langle H, L \rangle = 2$$

$$\langle E, F \rangle = 1, \quad \langle E, L \rangle = 0$$

extends uniquely to a Hopf pairing  $U_h B_+ \otimes C_h(B_-) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$

(B) • The algebra  $U_h B_+$  is a formal Hopf algebra deformation of  $U B_+$

- The algebra  $C_h(B_-)$  is a formal deformation of the commutative Hopf algebra with generators  $L^{\pm 1}, F$  and with the comultiplication

$$\Delta L = L \otimes L, \quad \Delta F = F \otimes 1 + L^{-1} \otimes F$$

This Hopf algebra can be naturally identified with polynomial functions on the algebraic group of lower triangular matrices

(\*)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ F & L^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$  with coordinate functions  $L, F$

- The algebra  $U_h \mathfrak{b}_+^0$  at  $h=0$  is the algebra of functions on the formal neighborhood of the identity on the group (\*) with coordinate functions  $H^\vee = \frac{1}{2} \log L$  and  $F$

We will denote this algebra  $F(\mathfrak{b}_-)$

(c) Thus, at  $h=0$  we have  $U\mathfrak{b}_+$  and two different topological versions of the dual Hopf algebras, both of them are functions on lower triangular matrices.

(d) The double  $\mathcal{D}(U_h \mathfrak{b}_+, U_h \mathfrak{b}_+^*)$  at  $h=0$

becomes  $\mathcal{D}(U \mathfrak{b}_+, F(\mathfrak{B}_-))$ . It is generated by  $H, H^\vee, E, F$  with defining relations

$$[H, H^\vee] = 0, [H, E] = 2E, [H, F] = -2F$$

$$[H^\vee, E] = 0, [H^\vee, F] = 0, [E, F] = 1 - e^{-2H^\vee}$$

It is a topological Hopf algebra, complete in the topology defined by  $\deg H^\vee \leq 1$   $\deg F \leq 1$  with

$$R = \exp(H \otimes H^\vee) \exp(E \otimes F)$$

#### ④ Ribbon Hopf algebras

Def. A quasitriangular Hopf algebra  $(H, R)$  is a ribbon Hopf algebra if

$\exists \tau \in H$ , s.t.

- $\varepsilon(\tau) = 1$

- $S(\tau) = \tau$

$$\bullet \Delta(\tau) = (\tau \otimes \tau) \sigma(R) R$$

where  $\sigma(a \otimes b) = b \otimes a$ .

Example.  $U_{\hbar} \mathfrak{sl}_2$  is a ribbon

Hopf algebra with

$$\tau = e^{-\frac{\hbar H}{2}} \sum_i S(\beta_i) \alpha_i$$

We will see how to prove this statement later, when we will discuss invariants of tangles.

Claim The category of f. dim modules over a ribbon Hopf algebra is a ribbon category with  $\theta_V : (\pi, V) \ni$  given by

$$\theta_V = \pi_V(\tau)$$