

For a f.d. simple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , Drinfeld defined  $\mathcal{Y}(\mathfrak{g})$ , Yangian, which is a Hopf algebra (in some sense) canonical deformation of  $U(\mathfrak{g}[x])$  (more precisely,  $\hbar \mapsto 1$ )

I will describe the case  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n$   
I am following Molev (see refs)

## 1. Definition of $\mathcal{Y}(\mathfrak{gl}_n) = \mathcal{Y}(u)$

Consider the stand. basis  $E_{ij}$  of  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$   $(i = \begin{pmatrix} & i \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix})$

$$[E_{ij}, E_{kl}] = \delta_{kj} E_{il} - \delta_{il} E_{kj}$$

$$E = (E_{ij}) \quad \begin{pmatrix} E_{11} & E_{12} & \dots \\ E_{21} & E_{22} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

Useful fact:

$$g_s = \text{tr}(E^s) \in Z(U(\mathfrak{gl}_n))$$

Proof of centrality uses the following:

$$[E_{ij}, (E^s)_{kl}] = \delta_{kj} (E^s)_{il} - \delta_{il} (E^s)_{kj}$$

Proposition:

$$[(E^{r+s})_{ij}, (E^s)_{kl}] - [(E^r)_{ij}, (E^{s+s})_{kl}] = (E^r)_{kj} (E^s)_{il} - (E^s)_{kj} (E^r)_{il} \\ (E^0)_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$$

Definition: The Yangian  $\mathcal{Y}(\mathfrak{gl}_n) = \mathcal{Y}(u)$  is unital assoc. algebra

w. generators  $t_{ij}^{(r)}$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $t_{ij}^{(0)} = \delta_{ij}$

$$[t_{ij}^{(r+s)}, t_{kl}^{(s)}] - [t_{ij}^{(r)}, t_{kl}^{(s+s)}] = t_{kj}^{(r)} t_{il}^{(s)} - t_{kj}^{(s)} t_{il}^{(r)}$$

Remarks: 1)  $t_{ij}(z) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} t_{ij}^{(r)} z^{-r} = \delta_{ij} + t_{ij}^{(1)} z^{-1} + \dots$

$$(u-v) [t_{ij}(u), t_{kl}(v)] = t_{kj}(u) t_{il}(v) - t_{kj}(v) t_{il}(u)$$

2) There is a homomorphism

$$\mathcal{Y}(u) \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{gl}_n), \quad t_{ij}^{(r)} \mapsto (E^r)_{ij} \quad (\text{special to type A})!$$

$$U(\mathfrak{gl}_n) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{Y}(u), \quad E_{ij} \mapsto t_{ij}^{(1)}$$

## 2. Matrix form of relations

Write  $T(u)$  for a matrix  $(t_{ij}(u))$

$$T(u) \in \mathcal{Y}(u) [[u^{-1}]] \otimes \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^n), \quad T(u) = \sum t_{ij} \otimes e_{ij}$$

Define:  $P = \sum e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji} \in \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^n) \otimes^2$  (Cartan form)

$$R(u) = \text{Id} - Pu^{-1} \text{ - Yang's R-matrix}$$

R satisfies

$$R_{22}(u) R_{13}(u+v) R_{23}(v) = R_{23}(v) R_{13}(u+v) R_{12}(u)$$

(QYBE w. spectral parameter)

Proposition: relations of  $\mathcal{Y}(u)$  are given by

$$R(u-v) T_1(u) T_2(v) = T_2(v) T_1(u) R(u-v)$$

$$T_i(u) \in \mathcal{Y}(u) \llbracket u^{-1} \rrbracket \otimes \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes 2}$$

$$T_1(u) = \sum t_{ij}(u) \otimes e_{ij} \otimes 1$$

$$T_2(u) = \sum t_{ij}(u) \otimes 1 \otimes e_{ij}$$

Exercise: 1) check what set of relations is obtained

- 2) a)  $T^{-1}(u)$  also satisfies RTT relations ( $T \mapsto T^{-1}$  gives an autom. of the Yangian (up to sign change))  
 b)  $t_{ij}(u) \mapsto \delta_{ij} + E_{ij} u^{-1}$  - gives another homomorphism  $\mathcal{Y}(u) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{gl}(n))$ .

### 3. $\mathcal{Y}(u)$ is a Hopf algebra

Theorem:  $\mathcal{Y}(u)$  is a Hopf algebra

$$\Delta: t_{ij}(u) \mapsto \sum_{a=1}^n t_{ia}(u) \otimes t_{aj}(u)$$

$$S: T(u) \mapsto T^{-1}(u)$$

$$\varepsilon: T(u) \mapsto 1$$

Proof: will just prove  $\Delta$  is a homomorphism.

$$\Delta(T(u)) = \underline{T_{[1j]}(u) T_{[2j]}(u)} = \left( \sum t_{ij} \otimes 1 \otimes e_{ij} \right) \left( \sum 1 \otimes t_{ij} \otimes e_{ij} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{Y}(u)^{\otimes 2} \llbracket u^{-1} \rrbracket \otimes \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^n)$$

$$T_{[ij]} \in \mathcal{Y}(u)^{\otimes 2} \otimes \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes 2} \llbracket u^{-1}, v^{-1} \rrbracket$$

$i^{\text{th}} \qquad \qquad \qquad j^{\text{th}}$

$$T_{[1j]}(u) = \sum t_{ij} \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes e_{ij}$$

$\Delta$  - homomorphism  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$R(u-v) \underline{T_{[1j]}(u) T_{[2j]}(u)} \underline{T_{[1j]}(v) T_{[2j]}(v)}$$

$$= \underline{T_{[1j]}(v) T_{[2j]}(v)} \underline{T_{[1j]}(u) T_{[2j]}(u)} R(u-v)$$

This follows from RTT &  $T_{[1j]}$  commutes w.  $T_{[2j]}$   
 $T_{[1j]} \quad \text{---} \quad T_{[2j]}$

4. Let  $\deg t_{ij}^{(r)} = r-1$  - defines a filtration on  $\mathcal{Y}(u)$ .

Exercise:  $\text{gr } \mathcal{Y}(u) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{gl}(n)[X])$

$$\overline{t_{ij}^{(r)}} \mapsto E_{ij} X^r$$

image of  $t_{ij}^{(r)}$  in the  $(r-1)^{\text{st}}$  graded piece

(PBW for  $\mathcal{Y}(u) \Rightarrow$  an isomorphism)

5. There is family of commutative subalgebras in  $\mathcal{Y}(u)$  indexed by  $C \in \text{GL}(u)$  (called Beilinson subalgebras)

$$\pi_k(u, C) = \text{tr} \underbrace{A_n T_1(u) T_2(u-1) \dots T_k(u-k+1) C_{k+1} \dots C_n}_{\mathcal{Y}(u) \otimes \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes n} \llbracket u^{-1} \rrbracket}$$

$A_n$  is a projector to the sign rep. of  $S_n$  in  $(\mathbb{C}^n)^{\otimes n}$ .

Theorem: coeffs. of  $\pi_k(u, C)$ ,  $k=1, \dots, n$  commute w. each other.

If  $C$  is regular semisimple, define maximal comm. subalg. of  $\mathcal{Y}(u)$ .

What about  $\mathfrak{g} \neq \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{h}$ ?

Motivation

Def  $\mathfrak{g}$ -Lie algebra  $\Delta$  co-Lie bracket  $\delta: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathfrak{g}$

$(\mathfrak{g}, \delta)$  is a Lie bialgebra if  $\delta$  is a 1-cocycle, i.e.

$$\delta([X, Y]) = (\text{ad}_X \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \text{ad}_X) \delta(Y) - (\text{ad}_Y \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \text{ad}_Y) \delta(X).$$

Example: 1)  $\mathfrak{g}$ -semisimple  $\mathfrak{k}_+, \mathfrak{k}_- \subset \mathfrak{g}$   $\begin{matrix} \mathfrak{k}_+ & & \mathfrak{k}_- \\ & \xrightarrow{\pi} & \mathfrak{g} \end{matrix}$

$\mathfrak{g}' = \{(X, Y) : \pi(X) = -\pi(Y)\} \subset \mathfrak{k}_+ \times \mathfrak{k}_-$  is a Lie subalgebra

&  $\mathfrak{g}' \simeq \mathfrak{g}^*$  via  $\langle (X, Y), Z \rangle = (Y - X, Z)$

$\rightsquigarrow$  compatible  $\delta$ .

2)  $\mathfrak{g}[u] = \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}[u]$   $\delta: f \mapsto (\text{ad}_{f(u)} \otimes \text{id} + \text{id} \otimes \text{ad}_{f(v)}) \left( \frac{\pm}{u-v} \right)$  Casimir element

Drinfeld expected (in 80s) that any  $(\mathfrak{g}, \delta)$  admitted a quantization:

- $\rightarrow \mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -linear bialg.  $U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g})$  s.t.
- $\rightarrow U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})[[\hbar]]$  as  $\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -modules
- $\rightarrow \mu_{\hbar} = \mu, \Delta_{\hbar} = \Delta \text{ mod } \hbar = 0.$

Proved by Etingof-Kazhdan in the 90s. Example 2  $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})$ .

1 | Two presentations

Def ( $\mathcal{J}$ -presentation)

$U_{\hbar}(\mathfrak{g}[u])$  gen. by  $x \in \mathfrak{g}, \mathcal{J}(x), x \in \mathfrak{g}$

modulo rels: 1)  $\mathfrak{g}$  Lie subalgebra

2)  $\mathcal{J}$  is  $\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -linear

$\mathcal{J}(ax + by) = a\mathcal{J}(x) + b\mathcal{J}(y)$

3)  $[x, \mathcal{J}(y)] = \mathcal{J}([x, y])$ .

4)  $[\mathcal{J}(x), \mathcal{J}([y, z])] + [\mathcal{J}(z), \mathcal{J}([x, y])] + [\mathcal{J}(y), \mathcal{J}([z, x])]$

$\frac{1}{24} \hbar^2 \sum_{\lambda, \mu, \nu} ([x, x_{\lambda}], [y, x_{\mu}], [z, x_{\nu}]) \{x_{\lambda}, x_{\mu}, x_{\nu}\}$

$x_{\lambda} x_{\mu} x_{\nu} + x_{\mu} x_{\lambda} x_{\nu} + \dots$  6 terms

$\{x_{\lambda}\}$  -orthonormal basis of  $\mathfrak{g}$

Coproduct:  $\Delta(x) = x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x$   
 $\Delta(\mathcal{J}(x)) = \mathcal{J}(x) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \mathcal{J}(x) + \frac{1}{2} \hbar [x \otimes 1, \mathcal{J}(x)]$

Rmk 1) This quantization is unique.

$$z) U_{\hbar} \rightarrow U_{\hbar'} \quad x \mapsto x \quad \text{is an iso for } \hbar, \hbar' \neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \hbar = 1$$

$$J(x) \mapsto \frac{\hbar'}{\hbar} J(x)$$

Def (Current presentation)

$$Y(\eta) \simeq \langle X_{i,r}^{\pm}, H_{i,r}, i=1, \dots, r, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rangle \text{ relations}$$

$$X_i^{\pm}(u) = \sum_{r \geq 0} X_{i,r}^{\pm} u^{-r-1} \quad H_i(u) = 1 + \sum_{r \geq 0} H_{i,r} u^{-r-1}$$

$$\bullet [H_i(u), H_j(v)] = 0$$

$$\bullet [X_i^+(u), X_j^-(v)] = \delta_{ij} \frac{H_i(u) - H_i(v)}{v-u}$$

$$\bullet [H_i(u), X_j^{\pm}(v)] = \pm \frac{c_{ij}}{2} \frac{\{H_i(u), X_j^{\pm}(u) - X_j^{\pm}(v)\}}{u-v} \quad \{u, v\} = uv - vu$$

$$\bullet [X_i^{\pm}(u), X_j^{\pm}(v)] = \pm \frac{c_{ij}}{2} \frac{(X_i^{\pm}(u) - X_j^{\pm}(v))^2}{u-v} \quad \text{Serre relations} \quad [X_i(u), X_j(v)] = 0 \quad \text{if } i \neq j$$

$$\varphi(E_i) = X_{i,0}^+$$

$$\varphi(F_i) = X_{i,0}^-$$

$$\varphi(H_i) = H_{i,0}$$

$$\varphi(J(H_i)) = H_{i,1} + \dots$$

$$\varphi(J(E_i)) = K_{i,1}^T + \dots$$

Advantages:

$J$  : has coproduct (explicit)

Current : better suited to study fin. dim reps

: easier to see PBW basis. (monomials in generators).

Prop  $\exists$  1-param family of automorphisms of  $Y(\eta)$  given by

$$\tau_a^{\pm} (H_{i,r}) = \sum_{s=0}^r \binom{r}{s} a^{r-s} H_{i,s}$$

$$\tau_a^{\pm} (X_{i,r}^{\pm}) = \sum_{s=0}^r \binom{r}{s} a^{r-s} X_{i,s}^{\pm}$$

Df In  $J$ -presentation  $\tau_a(x) = x$  is obviously an automorphism.  
 $\tau_a(J(x)) = J(x) + ax$

The formulas above are derived by induction, using expr. of  $X_{i,r}^{\pm}$  in terms of  $H_{i,r}, X_{i,r}^{\pm}$

$$\& \quad H_{i,r+1} = [X_{i,r+1}^+, X_{i,0}^-]$$

□

$$R_{12}(\lambda_1, -\lambda_2) R_{13}(\lambda_1, -\lambda_3) R_{23}(\lambda_2, -\lambda_3) = R_{23}(\lambda_2, -\lambda_3) R_{13}(\lambda_1, -\lambda_3) R_{12}(\lambda_1, -\lambda_2) \quad (*)$$

$$\text{Thm 1 (Drinfeld)} \quad \exists R(\lambda) = 1 \otimes 1 + \frac{t}{\lambda} + \sum_{r \geq 1} \underline{R_r} \lambda^{-r-1} \in Y(\mathfrak{g}) \widehat{\otimes} Y(\mathfrak{g})[[\lambda^{-1}]]$$

which satisfies (\*)

Thm 2  $R(\lambda) \in \mathfrak{g}$  is rational in  $\lambda$ .  $\Rightarrow$  almost always makes sense.

Prop  $\{V(\lambda)\}$  f.b. reps on the same v.space  $V$

$$1) \quad \forall \lambda, \mu \quad \exists I(\lambda, \mu) : V(\lambda) \otimes V(\mu) \xrightarrow{\sim} V(\mu) \otimes V(\lambda) \quad \Rightarrow R = \text{flip} \circ I \text{ satisfies}$$

$$2) \quad \text{Aut}(V(\lambda) \otimes V(\mu) \otimes V(\nu)) = \text{scalars.}$$

$$R_{12}(\lambda, \mu) R_{13}(\lambda, \nu) R_{23}(\mu, \nu) = \dots$$

For Yangians, take  $V(\lambda) = \tau_\lambda \circ \mathbb{C}^p$

no R-matrix compatible with Thm 1.

$$\rho : Y(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \text{End}(V) \\ \uparrow \\ \text{fin. dim.}$$