

# Olivier Schiffman - Crystal structures on some

Note Title

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global nilpotent cones

Idea: project to export some techniques  
from quivers to curves  
(related: Crawley-Boevey on Deligne-Simpson;  
Hausel on Betti # of Higgs mod.)

$X$  smooth proj curve /  $\mathbb{F}_q$

$H_X$ : Hall algebra of  $\text{Coh}(X)$

$$H_X = \bigoplus_{r,d} \left\{ H_X[r,d] = \left\{ f: \underline{\text{Coh}}^{\text{crd}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \right\} \right\}$$

$$\text{Multiplication: } f \cdot g(x) = \sum_{H,K} v^{\langle H,K \rangle} f(H/K) g(x)$$

$$\text{where } \langle H,K \rangle = \dim \text{Hom} - \dim \text{Ext}^1$$

$$v = q^{-1/2}$$

$$\text{Comultiplication: } \Delta(f)(H,K) = \frac{v^{-\langle H,K \rangle}}{\#\text{Ext}^1} \sum_{\xi \in \text{Ext}^1(K,H)} f(M_\xi)$$

$$\text{Bilinear form: } \langle l_F, l_G \rangle = \int_{F,G} \# \text{Ad } \mathcal{F}$$

## Theorem (Green)

- i)  $(H_X, m, \Delta)$  is a (twisted) bialgebra
- ii)  $\langle, \rangle$  is a Hopf pairing

Remark Coh  $X \rightarrow \text{Rep } Q$

$\Rightarrow H_X \supset U_q^+$  of  $Q$  positive half of quantum group

Remark Primitive elements of  $H_X \leftrightarrow$  simple skyscraper sheaves  $\Rightarrow$  recover  $X$  from  $H_X$ .

Natural subalgebra ("spherical subalgebra")

$U_X^+ \subset H_X$  : generated by characteristic

functions  $1_{r,d} = 1_{\text{Coh}^{r,d}(X)} \in H_X$

(suffices to take  $r=1$ )

Properties i) semistable char. fns  $1_{r,d} \in U_X^+$  and  
ii)  $U_X^+$  is stable under  $\Delta$ .

$U_X :=$  Drinfeld double of  $U_X^\tau$

Examples •  $X = \mathbb{P}^1 \Rightarrow U_X = U_v(\widehat{SL}_2)$   
(in Drinfeld presentation)

--  $U_X^\tau$  is a deformation of  
 $U_v(\mathbb{H}^1) \otimes \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{C}[[t, t^\tau]]$

•  $X = E$  elliptic curve:  $U_X = U_{v,1}(\widehat{EogL}(1))$   
 $= \widehat{SH}_{GL}(\infty)$

where  $\widehat{EogL}(1) = \mathbb{C}[[t^{\pm 1}, s^{\pm 1}]]$  elliptic  $GL_1$

$\longleftrightarrow$  (Schur-Weyl) co-rank (Lusztig DAHA)

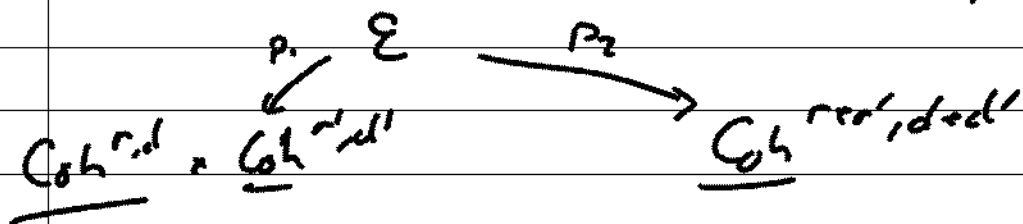
Remark  $U_X$  or  $U_X^\tau$  depends only on genus  $g$ ,  
 $q = v^{-2}$  &  $\{d_1, \dots, d_{2g}\}$  Frobenius exponents on  $H^1(X, \mathbb{Q}_q)$

(follows from presentation as quotient of a free algebra by a bilinear form)

$\sim$  here  $\exists$  a universal algebra  $U_{g,v,d_1,\dots,d_g}$ .

Geometric version  $\bar{X} = X \otimes \overline{\mathbb{F}_q}$

Coh  $\bar{X} = \frac{H}{r_{\text{red}}} \underline{\text{Coh}}^{r, d}(\bar{X})$  smooth stack,  
locally of finite type



Ext correspondence  $\Rightarrow$  defines covectors:

Ind:  $P_2 \times P_1^* : D^b(\underline{\text{Coh}}^{r, d} \times \underline{\text{Coh}}^{r, d'}) \rightarrow D^b(\underline{\text{Coh}}^{r, d, d'})$

Res:  $P_1 \times P_2^*$

Def:  $\mathbb{I}_{r, d} = \overline{\mathbb{Q}_\ell} \mid_{\underline{\text{Coh}}^{r, d}} [\dim \underline{\text{Coh}}^{r, d}]$

$\mathcal{P}$  = simple perverse sheaves arising in

$\mathbb{I}_{r, d_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{I}_{r, d_\ell}$  with  $r, s, d_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

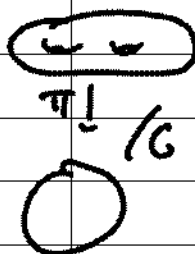
Conjecture i)  $\{ \text{Tr } P : P \in \mathcal{P} \}$  is a basis of  $U_X^V$ .  
(for Frobenius-fixed  $P$  ... maybe all are)

ii) All  $\mathbb{P}$  are very pure: Frobenius eigenvalues  
 lie in  $d_1 \mathbb{Z} \cup d_2 \mathbb{Z} \cup \dots \cup d_g \mathbb{Z} \cup \mathbb{Z}$   
 & pointwise pure

iii)  $\exists$  1-1 correspondence with isred components  
 of global nilpotent cone  $\Lambda_X$  for moduli of  
 coherent sheaves

Remark: Conjecture OK for  $g \leq 1$ .

Possible approach: Base change to ramified genus 0  
 find  $X$  s.t.  $\exists G \subset \text{Aut } X$ ,  $X/G \cong \mathbb{P}^1$

  $\pi$  ramified along  $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\} \in \mathbb{P}^1$  with  
 indices  $\{p_1, \dots, p_N\} \in \mathbb{N}_{>1}$ .

$\text{Coh}_G X$  can be described by linear algebra data,  
 - as category of  $D$ -parabolic coherent sheaves on  $\mathbb{P}^1$   
 $(D = \sum p_i x_i)$   $\text{Coh}_G X = \text{Coh}_D \mathbb{P}^1$

A  $D$ -parabolic vector bundle is  $(V, F_{\bullet})$   
 with  $\forall i: F_{i,1} \subset F_{i,2} \subset \dots \subset F_{i,n} = V/\lambda_i \text{ flag}$

A  $D$ -parabolic coherent sheaf is  $(F, F_{i,p}, \varphi_{i,p})$   
 with  $F \xrightarrow{\varphi_{i,1}} F_{i,1} \xrightarrow{\varphi_{i,2}} F_{i,2} \dots \rightarrow F_{i,p_i} = F(\lambda_i)$   
 s.t.  $\varphi_{i,p_i} \circ \dots \circ \varphi_{i,1} : F \rightarrow F(\lambda_i)$  is  
 a natural map.

Point. i)  $Pic(X, G)$  is discrete  
 $\cong \mathbb{Z} \times_1 \dots \times_n \mathbb{Z} \times_N / p_i \times_i = p_i \times_i$

$Pic(X, G) / \langle \mathcal{O}(G \cdot x) \text{ free orbit} \rangle \cong \prod \mathbb{Z}/p_i \mathbb{Z}$

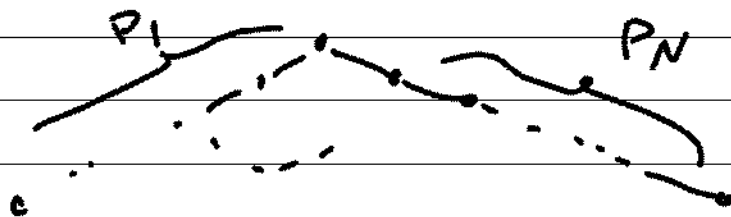
ii.) Line bundles are rigid:  $Ext^1(L, L) = \{0\}$

iii.) Torsion sheaves:  $x \in P' \setminus \{x_i\} \Rightarrow$  free  $G$ -orbit  
 $\Rightarrow \exists$  a unique simple torsion sheaf  
 •  $x = x_i$  :  $G \cdot x$  has stabilizer  $\mathbb{Z}/p_i$   
 $p_i$  simple torsion sheaves

$$4. K_0(\text{coh}_G(X)) \cong \mathbb{Z}[0] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[G_{X_i}^{(0)}]$$

$$\sum_i \mathbb{Z}[G_{X_i}^{(0)}] = \sum_i \mathbb{Z}[G_{X_i}^{(1)}]$$

Associate to  $(X, G)$  a star-shaped quiver



Define  $H_{X,G}, U_{X,G}^+, \dots$  in same way

Theorem (Schiffman)

$$U_{X,G}^+ = U_V^+(L_{\mathfrak{g}_P})$$

$\mathfrak{g}_P = K$ -M algebra,  $L_{\mathfrak{g}_P}$  - loop algebra

$$0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow L_{\mathfrak{g}_P} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_P[t, t^{-1}] \rightarrow 0$$

(Moody-Rao).

Naive idea! relate  $U_X^+$  to  $U_{X,G}^+$  using equivariantization

On  $K_0$  this sites

$$\mathbb{Z}^2 = K_0'(\text{coh } X) \longrightarrow K_0(\text{coh}_G X)$$

which maps into imaginary weight spaces.

ex.  $[O_X]$  goes to  $[n = |G|]$

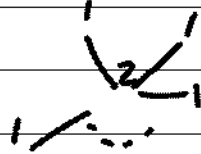
$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \wedge^x & \xrightarrow{\frac{p_i-1}{p_i}} & \wedge & \cdots & \longrightarrow & \frac{\eta}{p_i} \\ & & & & & \vdots \\ & \searrow & \frac{p_j-1}{p_j} & \wedge & \cdots & & \\ & & & & & & \vdots \\ & & & & & & \searrow & \frac{p_l}{p_l} \end{array}$$

which is imaginary if  $\Gamma$  is not of finite type

$[O_X] \rightsquigarrow$  imaginary root

•  $G = \mathbb{Z}/2 \hookrightarrow X$  hyperelliptic

$\Rightarrow 2g+2$  branches



$\Delta \cap$  (imaginary) span a  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ -lattice  
in the root system  $\Delta(\text{Log } p)$



- $X$  elliptic,  $G = \mathbb{Z}/i\mathbb{Z} \quad i = \{2, 3, 4, 6\}$   
 $\Gamma = D_n^{(i)}, E_n^{(i)}$  affine algebras ( $n = 6, 7, 8$ )  
 $\text{Log}_\Gamma = \sum \mathfrak{g}$  for  $\mathfrak{g} = D_n, E_n$  elliptic algebras  
 $U_x \cong U_v(\text{Egl}_i) : \text{Egl}_i \hookrightarrow \text{Eg}$ .
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Crystals Recall:  $\mathcal{Q}$  a quiver,  $d$  dimension vector

$E_d$ : space of reps of dim  $d \hookrightarrow G_d$

$$\mathcal{M}_d = E_d / G_d.$$

$$T^* \mathcal{M}_d = \mu^{-1}(0) / G_d, \quad \mu: T^* E_d \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_d^*$$

moment map

$\Lambda_d \subset T^* \mathcal{M}_d$ : Lagrangian substack of nilpotent reps

1.  $\coprod_d \text{Irr } \Lambda_d$  (irred components) has structure of an  $\Gamma$ -colored graph  
 $\dots \Gamma = \text{vert}(\mathcal{Q}) = \text{simple roots}$

- can refer to a quiver [Lusztig]

2. [Kashiwara - Saito]

$$\coprod_{\lambda} \text{Irr } \Lambda_{\lambda} \xrightarrow{\text{isom}} \rho = \coprod \rho_{\lambda}$$

Simple perverse sheaves on  $E$  giving Lusztig canonical basis.

$\Rightarrow$   $\Gamma$ -colored graph structure on the canonical basis: crystal graph of  $U^{\pm} \mathfrak{g}$

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For us: curve  $X \ni G$

$\alpha \in K_0(\text{Coh}_G X) \cong \text{Coh}^{\alpha}$  moduli stack of coherent sheaves of class  $\alpha$

$T^* \text{Coh}^{\alpha} = \text{Higgs}^{\alpha} \supset \Lambda_{\alpha}$ : global nilpotent cone

Prop Assume  $X = \mathbb{P}^1 \ni G$  ( $\Leftrightarrow$  quiver  $\Gamma$  of finite type) Then  $\Lambda = \coprod_{\nu, \lambda, \lambda'} T^* \overline{U}_{\nu, \lambda, \lambda'}$

Global section of canonical bundles to strata, where  
 $V =$  vector bundle,  $\bar{\tau} =$  torsion sheaf supported  
 on  $D$  &  $\lambda =$  partition

$$U_{V, \tau, \lambda} = \left\{ V \oplus \bar{\tau} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{x_1}^{(\lambda_1)} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{O}_{x_k}^{(\lambda_k)} \right\}$$

$$x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{x_i\}$$

Here have no simple objects but will use rigid  
 objects — namely line bundles — to construct  
 crystal structure: get arrows labelled by  $\text{Pic}(X, G)$

Note!  $L$  rigid,  $H^0(\Omega_{X,0}) = 0 \Rightarrow$   
 no deformations of trivial Higgs field on  $L$ .

$$\Lambda_{L, \geq r}^d = \left\{ (F, \varphi) : \exists (L^{\oplus r}, 0) \hookrightarrow (F, \varphi) \right\}$$

$$\Lambda_{L, r}^d = \Lambda_{L, \geq r}^d \setminus \Lambda_{L, \geq r+1}^d$$

Correspondences

$$\Lambda_{L, r}^d \xleftarrow{\pi_1} \mathcal{E}_{L, r}^d \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \Lambda_{L, 0}^{d-r\bar{L}}$$

$$\Sigma_{L,r}^d = \{ (g, F, \varphi) \mid (g, \varphi|_g) = (L^{\otimes r}, 0) \}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\quad} \mathbb{A}^1(L, 0) \hookrightarrow (F/g, \varphi)$$

Proposition i)  $\Pi_2$  is stratified affine fibration  
 ii) fibers of  $\Pi_1$  are smooth, irred & locally constant along a stratification.

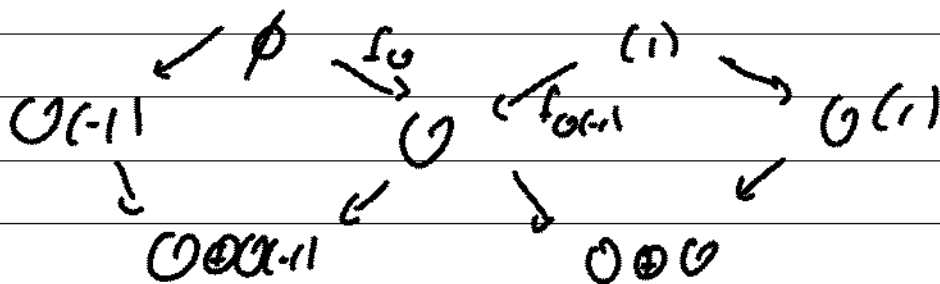
$$\text{So } \text{Irr } \Lambda_{L,r}^d \xrightleftharpoons[i_r]{j_r^{d-1}} \text{Irr } \Lambda_{L,0}^{d-l_r}$$

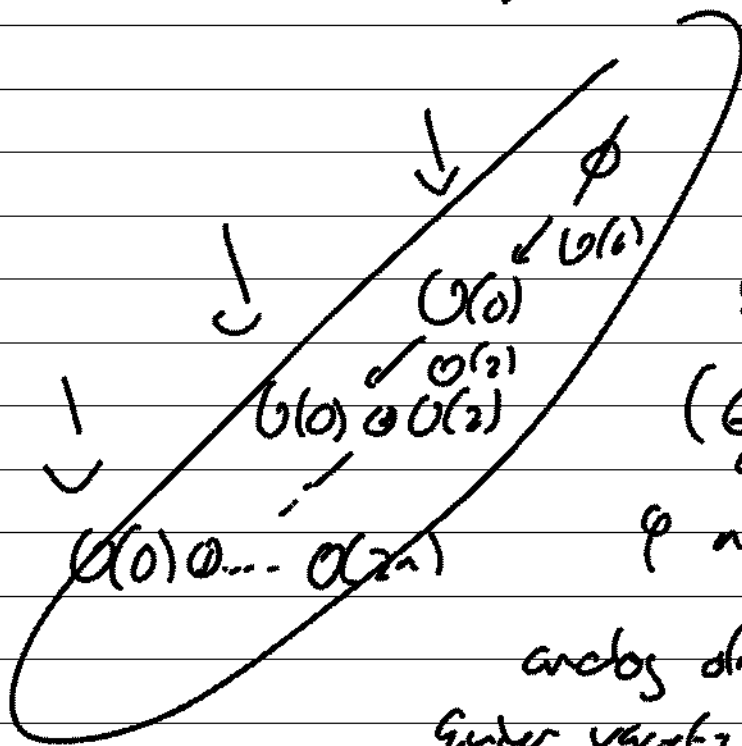
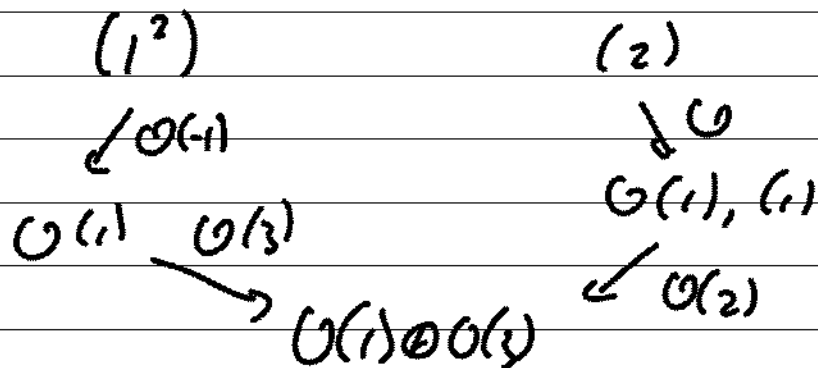
$\Rightarrow$  construct crystal structure on  $\text{Irr } \Lambda$

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{e}_L = j_d^{r-1} \circ i_d^r \\ \tilde{f}_L = j_d^{r+1} \circ i_d^r \end{cases}$$

Example  $\mathbb{P}^1, \widehat{SL}_2$  ( $\frac{\infty}{2}$  crystal graph of  $U_v^+ \widehat{SL}_2$ )

Pieces of  
crystal  
graph:





Subgroup corresponds to all stable Higgs bundles as quotient of

$$\left( \bigoplus_0^1 \mathcal{O}(2i), \varphi \right)$$

$\varphi$  nondegenerate:

analog of Nakajima-Lozansky under variety: sites crystal type  $L_n$  of  $U(\widehat{sl}_2)$

# Hausel's conjecture

Higgs  $\alpha, st$  = stable Higgs bundles

$\alpha = \alpha' + 1\delta$  for  $\alpha'$  a dim. vectr for  $\Gamma$

$a_{\alpha'}(\xi) =$  Kac's polynomial for  $\Gamma$  :

= # absolutely indecomp. reps of class  $\alpha'$  over  $F_{\xi}$

Kac conjecture :  $a_{\alpha}(0) = \dim \mathcal{H}_{\Gamma}[\alpha']$

Hausel proved this by showing

$a_{\alpha}(0) = \# \text{Irr}(\Lambda_0^{\alpha, st})$  for underlying

vector bundle to be trivial

$\Lambda_0^{\alpha, st} = (F, \varphi)$ : underlying bundle on  $\mathbb{P}^1$  is trivial  
(Nakajima quiver variety)

Conjecture (Hausel)  $\# \text{Irr}(\Lambda^{\alpha, st}) = a_{\alpha}(1)$

... expect filtration on  $\text{Irr}(\Lambda^{\alpha, st})$  capturing

full polymeric  $a_2$  - cavity from crystal...