

Triangular Bases for Strata of Algebraic Groups

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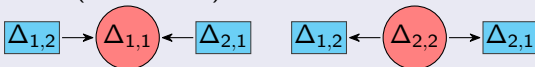
- Work with $\mathbb{k} = \mathbb{C}$ (or $\mathbb{C}[q^{\pm\frac{1}{2}}]$). Toy model:

- $G = SL_2 := \{g = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix} \mid \Delta_{12,12}(g) = 1\}$
- $\mathbb{C}[G] = \mathbb{C}[\Delta_{1,1}, \Delta_{1,2}, \Delta_{2,1}, \Delta_{2,2}] / (\Delta_{1,1}\Delta_{2,2} = 1 + \Delta_{1,2}\Delta_{2,1})$
 - Basis: $\{\text{mono. in } \Delta_{1,1}, \Delta_{1,2}, \Delta_{2,1}\} \cup \{\text{mono. in } \Delta_{2,2}, \Delta_{1,2}, \Delta_{2,1}\}$ (cluster monomials)
- $G^{w_0, w_0} := \{g \in SL_2 \mid \Delta_{1,2}(g) \neq 0, \Delta_{2,1}(g) \neq 0\}$

- (Localized) upper cluster algebra

$$\mathbf{U} = \mathbb{C}[\Delta_{1,1}^{\pm}, \Delta_{1,2}^{\pm}, \Delta_{2,1}^{\pm}] \cap \mathbb{C}[\Delta_{2,2}^{\pm}, \Delta_{1,2}^{\pm}, \Delta_{2,1}^{\pm}] = \mathbb{C}[G^{w_0, w_0}]$$

- Seeds (local charts):



- (Partially compactified) upper cluster algebra

$$\overline{\mathbf{U}} = \mathbb{C}[\Delta_{1,1}^{\pm}, \Delta_{1,2}, \Delta_{2,1}] \cap \mathbb{C}[\Delta_{2,2}^{\pm}, \Delta_{1,2}, \Delta_{2,1}] = \mathbb{C}[G]$$

[FZ02] Fomin-Zelevinsky invented cluster algebras to study

- [total positivity](#) [Lus94]
- [dual canonical bases](#) \mathbf{B}^* of quantum groups [Lus90, Lus91][Kas91]

Expect:

- for many varieties \mathcal{A} from Lie theory, $\mathbb{k}[\mathcal{A}] = \overline{\mathbf{U}}$ (or \mathbf{U})
- $\mathbb{k}[\mathcal{A}]$ has a basis: analog of \mathbf{B}^* , contains all cluster monomials.

FZ-Conj. [FZ02] (Kac-Moody N^w [Kim12][GLS13][GY16])

\forall quantum coord. ring $\mathbb{k}[N]$, quantum cluster monomials $\subset \mathbf{B}^*$.

Proof: [Qin20b] \mathbf{B}^* is the *common triangular basis* \implies FZ-Conj.

- Symmetric [Qin17], [KKKO18] (symmetric Kac-Moody);
- All cases [Qin20b]. (p -canonical bases [McN21])

- G : connected, simply connected, linear algebraic group
- $G^{u,v} = B_+ u B_+ \cap B_- v B_-$ double Bruhat cell
- (Quantized) coordinate ring $\mathbb{k}[G^{u,v}] = \mathbf{U}$ [BFZ05][GY20]
- $\mathbb{C}[\text{double Bott-Salmeson cell}] = \mathbf{U}$ [SW21]
- $\mathbb{C}[SL_n] = \overline{\mathbf{U}}$ [FWZ20]

Result 1 [Qin22]

$\mathbb{k}[G^{u,v}]$ and $\mathbb{C}[\text{double Bott-Salmeson cell}]$ possess the common triangular bases. The bases are positive when the Cartan datum is symmetric.

Result 2 [Qin22]

$\mathbb{C}[G] = \overline{\mathbf{U}}$, and the statements as in Result 1 are still true.

Conjecture

- Quantized $\mathbb{k}[G] = \overline{\mathbf{U}}$.
- Its common triangular basis is the global crystal basis [Kas93].

Convention

- A seed $\mathbf{t} = (B, (x_i)_{i \in I})$:
 - $I = I_{\text{uf}} \sqcup I_f$ (unfrozen, frozen)
 - $B = (b_{ij})$: $I \times I$ skew-symmetrizable integer matrix
 - Skew-symmetric $B \iff$ quiver Q s.t. $b_{ij} = |i \rightarrow j| - |j \rightarrow i|$
 - $x_i =$ cluster variables, $i \in I$. $x^{\underline{m}} = \prod x_i^{m_i}$
 - $y_k = \prod x_i^{b_{ik}}$, $k \in I_{\text{uf}}$. $y^{\underline{n}} = \prod y_k^{n_k}$
- For any $k \in I_{\text{uf}}$, mutation μ_k generates a new seed $\mu_k(\mathbf{t})$
- Iterate mutations \implies more seeds, cluster variables $\implies \mathbf{U}, \overline{\mathbf{U}}$
- We assume \mathbf{t} can be quantized as in [BZ05]
 - $\iff B_{I_{\text{uf}}, I}$ is of full-rank [GSV03, GSV05]
 - q -twisted product $*$

g-pointed Functions: Replace Module Characters

- Choose a seed \mathbf{t}

Comparison

- Cluster monomials take the form [CC06][FZ07][DWZ10]

$$x^{\underline{g}} \cdot \sum_{n \geq 0} c_n y^n, \quad c_0 = 1$$

- called g-pointed [Qin17]
- Highest weight modules of $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}})$ have characters

$$\chi(S(\underline{w})) = Y^{\underline{w}} \cdot \sum_{\underline{v} \geq 0} c_{\underline{v}} A^{-\underline{v}}, \quad c_0 = 1, \quad c_{\underline{v}} = \dim(\text{eigen space})$$

[Qin17] introduced

Dominance order $\prec_{\mathbf{t}}$: \underline{g} is the highest deg of g-pointed func.

- on quiver varieties: partial order of strata [Nak11]
- in monoidal category \mathcal{M} : interpreted via degrees of R -matrices [KK19]

Cluster algebras do not have standard bases (or PBW bases)

- For $i \in I$, $\deg(x_i) = f_i$ (i -th unit vector)
 - $x_i = \text{CC}(T_i)$, rigid T_i in a cluster category
 - $x_i = [S_i]$, simple S_i in a monoidal category
- For $k \in I_{\text{uf}}$, define pointed func \mathbb{I}_k s.t $\deg \mathbb{I}_k = -f_k \bmod \mathbb{Z}^I$
 - $\mathbb{I}_k := \text{q. cluster variable for (almost) all well-known cluster alg}$
 - $\mathbb{I}_k := \text{quantum theta function [GHKK18][DM21]}$
 - $\mathbb{I}_k = \text{CC}_q(T_k[1])$. [1]: shift functor (use Calabi-Yau reduction)
 - $\mathbb{I}_k = [\mathcal{D}(S_k)]$ (right) dual of S_k

Distinguished Functions (Standard Monomials)

$\mathbf{l}_{\underline{m}, \underline{m}'}$ are \underline{g} -pointed functions

$$q^\alpha \prod_{j \in I_f} x_j^{m_j} * \prod_{k \in I_{\text{uf}}} x_k^{m_k} * \prod_{k \in I_{\text{uf}}} \mathbb{I}_k^{m'_k}$$

where $\alpha \in \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{2}$, $m_j \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m_k, m'_k \geq 0$.

- Reduced if $m_k m'_k = 0 \forall k \in I_{\text{uf}}$: denoted as $\mathbf{l}_{\underline{g}}(\mathbf{t})$.

Triangular Bases: Kazhdan-Lusztig Type Bases

- The **triangular functions** $\mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}}(\mathbf{t}) :=$ unique **Laurent series**

- ① $\overline{\mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}}} = \mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}}$ under the involution $\bar{q} = q^{-1}$

- ② $\mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}} \in \mathbf{I}_{\underline{g}} + \sum_{\underline{g}' \prec_{\mathbf{t}} \underline{g}} q^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbb{Z}[q^{-\frac{1}{2}}] \mathbf{I}_{\underline{g}'}$ (infinite sum)

Computed by infinite steps of [Kazhdan-Lusztig algorithm](#)

- If \mathbf{U} has a basis $\mathbf{L}: \forall \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{L} = \{\mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}}(\mathbf{t}), \forall \underline{g}\}$ and satisfies

$$\mathbf{I}_{\underline{m}, \underline{m}'}(\mathbf{t}) \in \mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}} + \sum_{\underline{g}' \prec_{\mathbf{t}} \underline{g}} q^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbb{Z}[q^{-\frac{1}{2}}] \mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}'}$$

it is called the **(common) triangular basis**.

- For $A \subset \mathbf{U}$, if $\mathbf{L} \cap A$ is its basis, it is still called the **triangular basis**.

[BZ14]: $\mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}}^{BZ}(\mathbf{t})$ for acyclic \mathbf{t} . [Qin16, Qin20a] $\mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}}^{BZ}(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}}(\mathbf{t})$.

Triangular Bases: Properties and Observations

- \mathbf{L} contains all cluster monomials
 - \mathbf{L} generalizes \mathbf{B}^* (a motivation of cluster theory)
 - \mathbf{L} is naturally parameterized by the tropical points of the (Langlands dual) cluster variety (FG-conjecture [FG06])
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- [HL10] proposed monoidal categorification of cluster algebras
 - \forall known monoidal categorification [Qin17][KKKO18][KKOP21][CW19], $\{\text{simples}\} = \mathbf{L}$
 - \mathbf{L} is related to categorification and/or geometric representation theory (like previous Kazhdan-Lusztig type bases)
 - \forall known cases, \mathbf{L} has positive structure constants when B is skew-symmetric.

Triangular Bases: Crystal-Like Structure?

- The triangularity of \mathbf{L} can be characterized as:

$$\forall \mathbf{t}, x_i * \mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}} \in q^\alpha \mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}+f_i} + \sum_{\underline{g}' \prec_{\mathbf{t}} \underline{g}+f_i} q^\alpha \cdot q^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbb{Z}[q^{-\frac{1}{2}}] \mathbf{L}_{\underline{g}'}$$

- [Qin20a] Similar statement holds if we work with the $\prec_{\mathbf{t}}$ -lowest Laurent degree (codegree)
- This is an analog of Leclerc's conjecture for \mathbf{B}^* [Lec03] (proved by [KKKO18])
 - $x_i * ()$ acts like a crystal operator.

Freezing Operators

- Choose any seed \mathbf{t} . Take any Laurent series of the form

$$z = x^m \cdot \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}'_{\text{uf}}} c_n y^n$$

- Given $F \subset I_{\text{uf}}$, freeze F in $\mathbf{t} \dashrightarrow$ seed \mathbf{t}'

The freezing operator sends $y_k \mapsto 0$ in z for $k \in F$:

$$\underline{f}_m(z) := x^m \cdot \sum_{n_k=0 \forall k \in F} c_n y^n$$

- If z has the leading degree $\deg z = m$, we abbreviate $f(z) = \underline{f}_m(z)$

Freezing Operators: Properties

- \forall pointed Laurent series z_1, z_2 , we have

$$f(z_1 * z_2) = f(z_1) * f(z_2);$$

$$f_{\deg z_1}(z_1 + z_2) = f_{\deg z_1}(z_1) + f_{\deg z_1}(z_2) \text{ if } \deg z_2 \preceq_{\mathbf{t}} \deg z_1.$$

- f sends localized cluster monomials of $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t})$ to localized cluster monomials of $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t}')$
- f sends theta func. to theta func.

Theorem [Qin22]

Assume that $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t})$ possesses the (common) triangular basis \mathbf{L} , then $f(\mathbf{L})$ is the (common) triangular basis for $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t}')$.

Coefficient Change & Similarity

- Allow relabeling vertices and $q \mapsto q^\alpha$ in the following.

Definition ([Qin14, Qin17])

- Two seeds \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{t}' are similar if they share the same unfrozen submatrix: $B_{I_{uf}, I_{uf}} = B'_{I_{uf}, I_{uf}}$. Denote $\mathbf{t} \sim \mathbf{t}'$.
 - We can also define similarity between quantum seeds
- Take \underline{m} -pointed Laurent series $z = x^{\underline{m}} \cdot F_z$ for \mathbf{t} and \underline{m}' -pointed Laurent series $z' = x^{\underline{m}'} \cdot F_{z'}$ for \mathbf{t}' . They are similar if $\text{pr}_{I_{uf}} \underline{m} = \text{pr}_{I_{uf}} \underline{m}'$ and $F_z = F_{z'}$.
- $\mathbf{t} \sim \mathbf{t}' \implies \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t})$ and $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t}')$ share similar structures
 - Localized cluster monomials are similar.
 - If S is a well-behaved basis for $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t})$, then the similar elements form a basis for $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t}')$.
- If $\mathbf{t} \sim \mathbf{t}'$, $\mu_k \mathbf{t} \sim \mu_k \mathbf{t}'$.

Coefficient Change: Cartesian Product

- Coefficient ring $R(t) = \mathbb{k}[x_j^{\pm}]_{j \in I_f(t)} \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \mathbf{U}(t)$
- \mathbf{t}^{prin} : the seed of principal coefficients associated to \mathbf{t}
 - $\forall k \in I_{\text{uf}}$, a framing (frozen) vertex $k' \rightarrow k$
 - $B(\mathbf{t}^{\text{prin}}) = \begin{pmatrix} B_{I_{\text{uf}}, I_{\text{uf}}} & -\text{Id} \\ \text{Id} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
- Assume $\mathbf{U}(t^{\text{prin}})$ has an $R(t^{\text{prin}})$ -basis

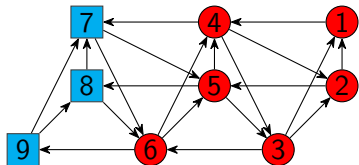
$$S = \{s_{\underline{g}} = x(t^{\text{prin}})^{\underline{g}} F_{s_{\underline{g}}}(y_k(t^{\text{prin}})) \mid \underline{g} \in \mathbb{Z}^{I_{\text{uf}}}\}.$$

Then we have the following Cartesian products:

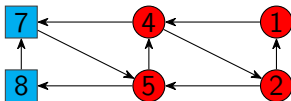
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Spec } \mathbf{U}(t) & \xrightarrow{f} & \text{Spec } \mathbf{U}(t^{\text{prin}}) & \leftarrow & \text{Spec } \mathbf{U}(t') \\ \downarrow \pi & & \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R(t) & \xrightarrow{f} & \text{Spec } R(t^{\text{prin}}) & \leftarrow & \text{Spec } R(t') \end{array}$$

- $\forall k \in I_{\text{uf}}, f^*(x_k) := x_k, f^*(x_{k'}) := \prod_{j \in I_f(t)} x_j^{b_{jk}}$.
- $f^*(S)$ is an $R(t)$ -basis of $\mathbf{U}(t)$, $f^*(s_{\underline{g}}) = x(t)^{\underline{g}} F_{s_{\underline{g}}}(y_k(t))$.

Example



\mathbf{t} for $\mathbb{k}[N^3]$,
 $c = s_1 s_2 s_3$ [GLS11]



\mathbf{t}' for \mathcal{C}_2 [HL10]
 (subcategory of $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_3) \text{ mod}$)

- $z = x_4^{-1} x_7 (1 + y_4 + y_2 y_4 + y_3 y_4 + 2 y_2 y_3 y_4 + y_2^2 y_3 y_4 + 2 y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4 + 2 y_1 y_2^2 y_3 y_4 + y_1^2 y_2^2 y_3 y_4)$
- Freeze 3, 6 in \mathbf{t} : $f(z) = x_4^{-1} x_7 (1 + y_4 + y_2 y_4)$
- Similar element in \mathbf{t}' : $z' = x_4^{-1} x_7 (1 + y_4 + y_2 y_4)$

$\mathbb{k}[N^c]$ has \mathbf{L} [Qin17][KKKO18]. Freezing and coefficient change:
 $\implies q$ -deformed $K_0(\mathcal{C}_{N-1})$ has \mathbf{L} [Qin17].

Double Bott-Salmeson Cells

- $A = (a_{i,j})_{i,j \in [1,r]}$ symmetrizable generalized Cartan matrix
- Generalized braid group $\text{Br} = \langle s_i \rangle_{i \in [1,r]}$:
 - $s_i s_j = s_j s_i$, if $a_{ij} a_{ji} = 0$
 - $s_i s_j s_i = s_j s_i s_j$, if $a_{ij} a_{ji} = 1$
 - $(s_i s_j)^m = (s_j s_i)^m$, if $m = a_{ij} a_{ji} = 2, 3$
- For $\underline{j} = (j_1, \dots, j_r)$, $s_{\underline{j}} := s_{j_1} \dots s_{j_r}$

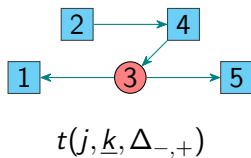
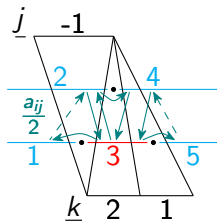
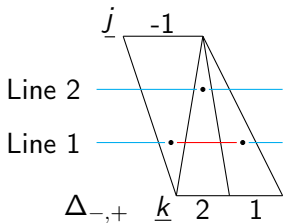
[SW21] For any double Bott-Samelson cell, we have

$$\mathbb{C}[\text{Conf}_{s_{\underline{k}}}^{s_{\underline{j}}}(\mathcal{A}_{\text{sc}})] = \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{t}(\underline{j}, \underline{k}, \Delta))$$

- If $(s_{\underline{j}'}, s_{\underline{k}'}) = (s_{\underline{j}}, s_{\underline{k}})$, $\mathbf{t}(\underline{j}', \underline{k}', \Delta')$ can be obtained from $\mathbf{t}(\underline{j}, \underline{k}, \Delta)$ by mutations [SW21]

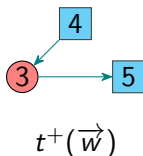
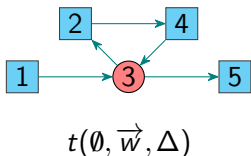
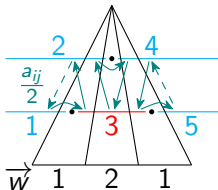
Example: Seeds for Double Bott-Salmeson cells

- $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $(\underline{j}, \underline{k}) = ((1), (2, 1))$.
 - Choose Δ for a trapezoid (letters of \underline{j} viewed as negative)



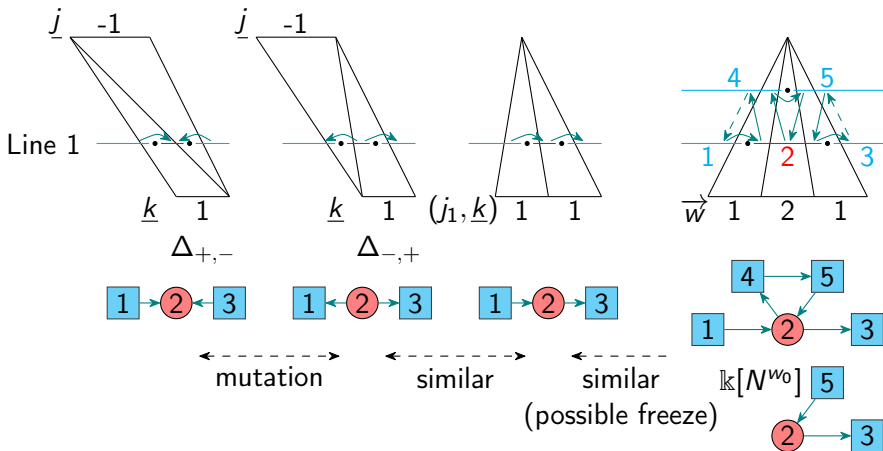
Unipotent Cells

- Weyl group $W := \text{Br} / (s_i^2 = e, \forall i)$
- \vec{w} reduced word of $w \in W$
- $\mathbb{k}[N^w] = \mathbf{U}(\mathfrak{t}^+(\vec{w}))$, $N^w = N \cap B_- w B_-$
 - $\mathfrak{t}^+(\vec{w})$: obtained from $\mathfrak{t}(\emptyset, \vec{w}, \Delta)$ by removing the left open intervals



Oversimplified Example: $\mathbb{k}[G^{u,v}]$ from $\mathbb{k}[N^w]$

- If $\underline{j}, \underline{k}$ are reduced word $[s_{\underline{j}}], [s_{\underline{k}}] \in W$
 - $\mathbb{k}[G^{[s_{\underline{j}}], [s_{\underline{k}}]}] = \mathbf{U}(t(\underline{j}, \underline{k}, \Delta_{+, -}))$ [BFZ05][GY20]



Double Bott-Salmeson cells from Unipotent Cells

- Given $(\underline{j}, \underline{k})$
 - Extend size r matrix A to size $r+1$ matrix \tilde{A}
 - Insert letters $r+1$ to $(\underline{j}^{op}, \underline{k}) \implies$ reduced word \vec{w}

$t(\underline{j}, \underline{k}, \Delta_{-,+})$ can be obtained from $t^+(\vec{w})$ by mutations, freezing and coefficient change

- 1 Reflection (coefficient change)
 $t(\underline{j}, \underline{k}, \Delta_{-,+}) \sim t((j_2, \dots), (j_1, \underline{k}), \Delta')$
- 2 Mutations $t((j_2, \dots), (j_1, \underline{k}), \Delta') \dashrightarrow t((j_2, \dots), (j_1, \underline{k}), \Delta_{-,+})$
- 3 Repeat, until obtain $t(\emptyset, (\underline{j}^{op}, \underline{k}), \Delta)$
- 4 $t(\emptyset, (\underline{j}^{op}, \underline{k}), \Delta)$ is obtained from $t(\emptyset, \vec{w}, \tilde{\Delta})$ by freezing and then deleting the vertices on Line $r+1$.

$\mathbb{k}[N^w] = \mathbf{U}(t^+(\vec{w}))$ has $\mathbf{L} \implies$ So does $\mathbf{U}(t(\underline{j}, \underline{k}, \Delta_{-,+}))$.

Algebraic Groups

- $\mathbb{C}[G^{w_0, w_0}] = \mathbf{U}$. $G = \overline{G^{w_0, w_0}}$.

$$\mathbb{C}[G] \subset \overline{\mathbf{U}}.$$

Proof: $f \in \mathbb{C}[G^{w_0, w_0}]$ is contained in $\mathbb{C}[G] \implies$ regular on $\{x_j = 0\} \subset G$.

$$\mathbb{C}[G] = \overline{\mathbf{U}}.$$

Proof: a comparison up to codim 2 in G .

- $\forall j$ frozen, \exists double Bruhat cell V_j open dense in $\{x_j = 0\}$
 - $\mathbb{C}[V_j] =$ localization of $\mathbb{C}[G]/(x_j)$
 - Already know that $\mathbb{C}[V_j] = \mathbf{U}'$.
- Show $\mathbf{U}' =$ localization of $\overline{\mathbf{U}}/(x_j)$

Take the triangular basis $\mathbf{L} \subset \mathbf{U}$, then $\mathbf{L} \cap \mathbb{C}[G]$ spans $\mathbb{C}[G]$.

Proof: $\forall j$ frozen, \exists an optimized seed t_j ($b_{jk} \geq 0 \forall k \in I_{\text{uf}}$)

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