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# Towards quantum chiral algebras

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# Overview

In 1988 I. Frenkel and N. Jing published the seminal paper titled "Vertex Representations of quantum affine algebras".

Recall that there is the **Drinfeld realization** of the quantum affine algebras, which parallels the current realization of the affine Lie algebras in the form  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}} \simeq \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}] \oplus \mathbb{C}c$ .

It is given in terms of generators  $\gamma^{1/2}, \gamma^{-1/2}$  and generating series

$$x_i^\pm(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} x_{ik}^\pm z^{-k}; \quad \phi_i(z) = \sum_{m \in -\mathbb{Z}_+} \phi_{im} z^{-m}; \quad \psi_i(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \psi_{in} z^{-n};$$

modulo relations, including:

$$(z - q^{\pm A_{ij}} w) x_i^\pm(z) x_j^\pm(w) = (q^{\pm A_{ij}} z - w) x_j^\pm(w) x_i^\pm(z)$$

Frenkel and Jing then constructed the vertex representations, starting with the quantum Heisenberg operators

$a_{ik}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfying the relations ( $\gamma = e^{tc/2} = q^c$ )

$$[a_i(m), a_i(n)] = \delta_{i,-m} \frac{1}{mt^2} (q^{mA_{ij}} - q^{-mA_{ij}}) (q^m - q^{-m})$$

and defining the vertex operators

$$Y_i^\pm(z) = \exp\left(\pm t \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{q^{\mp \frac{n}{2}}}{q^n - q^{-n}} a_i(-n) z^n\right) \\ \times \exp\left(\mp t \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{q^{\mp \frac{n}{2}}}{q^n - q^{-n}} a_i(n) z^{-n}\right) a_i^{\pm 1} z^{\pm a_i(0)+1}.$$

These vertex operators (together with  $\Phi_i(z)$  and  $\Psi_i(z)$ ) define a representation of the quantum affine algebras at  $c = 1$ .

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$$a(z)b(w) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} i_{z,w} \frac{c^j(w)}{(z-w)^{j+1}} + : a(z)b(w) :,$$

where  $: a(z)b(w) :$  denotes the nonsingular part of the expansion of  $a(z)b(w)$  as a Laurent series in  $(z-w)$ , and is referred to as *normal ordered product* of  $a(z)$  and  $b(z)$ .

Moreover,  $\text{Res}_{(z-w)} a(z)b(w)(z-w)^j = c^j(w) = (a_{(j)}b)(w)$ .

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For example, in the quantum affine case (FJ):

$$Y_i^{\mp}(z)Y_i^{\pm}(w) = (1-wq/z)^{-1}(1-w/qz)^{-1}(w/z) : Y_i^{\pm}(z)Y_i^{\mp}(w) :$$

and so OPEs such as

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These field descendants are addressed in the classical vertex algebra case by **Dong's Lemma**, where the goal was to prove that these type of descendants are **mutually local**.

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The  $(A, H, S)$  structure deals with the singular product, and thus is responsible for the singularities in the product of fields.

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Practically though, this means we have to address two types of **operations on field descendants**:

- OPE coefficients and normal ordered products
- **Hopf algebra** action

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This has profound consequences: in particular if both the fields  $a(z)$  and  $a(\gamma z)$  are to be incorporated in the **same chiral algebra structure**, this would result in the the **state-field correspondence becoming non-invertible!**

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$$a(\gamma z)|0\rangle|_{z=0} = a(z)|0\rangle|_{z=0} = a \in W.$$

Thus the **space of fields  $V$**  will be a (ramified) **cover of the space of states  $W$** .

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$$\Delta(h)_{1,z}R(z, w) = R(z, w) \circ (h \otimes 1),$$

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where  $\Delta(h)_{1,z} = (1 \otimes \tau \otimes 1) \circ (\Delta(h) \otimes 1 \otimes 1)$  and similarly for  $\Delta(h)_{2,w}$ , the third and fourth factors act on  $\mathbf{F}^\Gamma(z, w)$ .

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$$X_{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k}(a_1 \otimes a_2 \otimes \dots \otimes a_k) : V^{\otimes k} \rightarrow W \otimes \mathbf{F}^\Gamma(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k)^{+, z_k}, \quad (1)$$

so that  $Y(a_1, z_1)Y(a_2, z_2) \dots Y(a_k, z_k)|0\rangle =$   
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Motivating problem

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The commutation relations in  $a_\infty$  are

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Notation:

$$i_{z, w} \frac{1}{z - w} = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{w^n}{z^{n+1}};$$

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Answer: not quite, but we can write

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we can see that the single variable generating series  $\psi(z)$  are "fermionic", i.e., they obey anti-commutation relations:

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Since we have two such,  $\psi^+(z), \psi^-(z)$ , each one is fermionic.

We can then read the anti-commutation relations for the generating series  $\psi^+(z), \psi^-(z)$  from the commutation relations for the two-variable series  $E^A(z, w)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \{\psi^+(z), \psi^+(w)\} &= 0, & \{\psi^+(z), \psi^+(w)\} &= 0, \\ \{\psi^+(z), \psi^-(w)\} &= \psi^+(z)\psi^-(w) + \psi^-(w)\psi^+(z) \\ &= i_{z,w} \frac{1}{z-w} + i_{w,z} \frac{1}{w-z} = \delta(w-z) \end{aligned}$$

We write this as an Operator Product Expansion (OPE):

$$\psi^+(z)\psi^-(w) \sim \frac{1}{z-w}$$

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The modes of the fields  $\psi^+(z)$  and  $\psi^-(z)$  generate a Clifford algebra  $Cl_A$  with relations

$$\{\psi_m^+, \psi_n^-\} = \delta_{m+n, -1} \mathbf{1}, \quad \{\psi_m^+, \psi_n^+\} = \{\psi_m^-, \psi_n^-\} = 0. \quad (8)$$

This Clifford algebra has a canonical Fock space representation  $F_A$ —**the fermionic Fock space**—which is the highest weight representation of  $Cl_A$  generated by the vacuum vector  $|0\rangle$ , so that  $\psi_n^+|0\rangle = \psi_n^-|0\rangle = 0$  for  $n \geq 0$ .

The boson-fermion correspondence of type A is determined by the images of the generating fields  $\phi(z)$  and  $\psi(z)$  under the correspondence. An **essential** ingredient is the **free boson** field  $h(z)$  given by

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This is, in fact, the **fermionization** of the free bosonic current.

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Now we can write the images of the generating fields  $\phi(z)$  and  $\psi(z)$  under the correspondence (the **third stage**):

$$\phi(z) \mapsto e_A^\alpha(z), \quad \psi(z) \mapsto e_A^{-\alpha}(z), \quad (11)$$

where the generating fields  $e_A^\alpha(z), e_A^{-\alpha}(z)$  for the bosonic part of the correspondence are given by

$$e_A^\alpha(z) = \exp\left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{h_{-n}}{n} z^n\right) \exp\left(-\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{h_n}{n} z^{-n}\right) e^\alpha z^{\partial_\alpha}, \quad (12)$$

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The generators for the algebra  $c_\infty$  can be written as:

$$\{(-1)^j E_{i,j} - (-1)^i E_{1-j,1-i}, \quad i, j \in \mathbb{Z}; \text{ and } c\}.$$

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# The infinite dimensional Lie algebra $d_\infty$

The infinite dimensional Lie algebra  $\bar{d}_\infty$  is the subalgebra of  $\bar{a}_\infty$  consisting of the infinite matrices preserving the bilinear form  $D(v_i, v_j) = \delta_{i,1-j}$ , i.e.,

$$\bar{d}_\infty = \{(a_{ij}) \in \bar{a}_\infty \mid a_{ij} = -a_{1-j,1-i}\}. \quad (20)$$

Denote by  $d_\infty$  the central extension of  $\bar{d}_\infty$  by a central element  $c$ ,  $d_\infty = \bar{d}_\infty \oplus \mathbb{C}c$ , with  $C$  (from (4)) as a cocycle for  $d_\infty$ , see (Kac, Wang). The commutation relations for the elementary matrices in  $d_\infty$  are inherited.

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# The twisted neutral fermion–boson correspondence; a.k.a. type B (Date/Jimbo/Kashiwara/Miwa; You, IA)

The fermion side is generated by a single (neutral) field

$\phi^B(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \phi_n z^n$ , with OPE with itself given by:

$$\phi^B(z)\phi^B(w) \sim \frac{z-w}{z+w}, \quad \text{in modes: } [\phi_m^B, \phi_n^B]_{\dagger} = 2(-1)^m \delta_{m,-n} 1. \quad (22)$$

Thus the modes generate a Clifford algebra  $Cl_B$ , and the underlying space of states, which is a highest weight module for  $Cl_B$  is denoted by  $F_B$ .

The boson-fermion correspondence of type B is again determined once we write the image of the generating field  $\phi^B(z)$  under the correspondence. In order to do that, an essential ingredient is once again the field  $h(z)$  given by:

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{4} (: \phi^B(z) \phi^B(-z) : -1) \quad (23)$$

It follows that this field, which has only odd-indexed modes,  $h(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} h_{2n+1} z^{-2n-1}$ , has OPEs with itself given by:

$$h(z)h(w) \sim \frac{zw(z^2 + w^2)}{2(z^2 - w^2)^2}, \quad (24)$$

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Now we can write the image of the generating field

$\phi^B(z) \mapsto e_B^\alpha(z)$ , which will determine the correspondence of type B:

$$e_B^\alpha(z) = \exp\left(\sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{h_{-2k-1}}{k+1/2} z^{2k+1}\right) \exp\left(-\sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{h_{2k+1}}{k+1/2} z^{-2k-1}\right) e^\alpha, \quad (25)$$

The fields  $e_B^\alpha(z)$  and  $e_B^\alpha(-z) = e^{-\alpha}(z)$  (observe the symmetry) generate a resulting **twisted** vertex algebra:

$$\phi^B(z) \mapsto e_B^\alpha(z) \quad \phi^B(-z) \mapsto e^\alpha(-z) = e_B^{-\alpha}(z) \quad (26)$$

# The neutral fermion–boson correspondence; a.k.a. type D (IA)

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$\phi^D(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z} + 1/2} \phi_n^D z^{-n-1/2}$ , with OPEs with itself given by:

$$\phi^D(z)\phi^D(w) \sim \frac{1}{z-w}, \quad \text{in modes: } [\phi_m^D, \phi_n^D]_{\dagger} = \delta_{m,-n}1. \quad (27)$$

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It is important to note that this field generates on its own a super-vertex algebra  $F^{\otimes \frac{1}{2}}$ , called free neutral fermion vertex algebra.

The boson-fermion correspondence of type D-A is again determined once we write the image of the generating field  $\phi^D(z)$  under the correspondence. In order to do that, an essential ingredient is once more the field  $h(z)$  given by:

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Its modes,  $h_n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , generate an ordinary, **untwisted** Heisenberg algebra  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{Z}}$  with relations  $[h_m, h_n] = m\delta_{m+n,0}1$ ,  $m, n$  integers.

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Observe then that as Heisenberg  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{Z}}$  modules

$$F^{\otimes \frac{1}{2}} \cong F_A, \text{ i.e. } F^{\otimes \frac{1}{2}} \cong F^{\otimes 1} \quad (F_A \text{ is often denoted } F^{\otimes 1})!$$

The image of the generating fields  $\phi^D(z)$  which will determine the correspondence of type D is given as follows:

$$\phi^D(z) = e_A^{-\alpha}(z^2) + z e_A^\alpha(z^2) \quad (30)$$

where recall  $e_A^\alpha(z)$  and  $e_A^{-\alpha}(z)$  were the bosonic (lattice) vertex operators of type A; e.g.,

$$e_\phi^{-\alpha}(z^2) = \exp\left(-\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{h_{-n}}{n} z^{2n}\right) \exp\left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{h_n}{n} z^{-2n}\right) e^{-\alpha} z^{-2\partial_\alpha},$$

Note that we can go back in the boson-fermion correspondence by

$$\phi^D(z) = e_A^{-\alpha}(z^2) + z e_A^\alpha(z^2) \quad \phi^D(-z) = e_A^{-\alpha}(z^2) - z e_A^\alpha(z^2)$$

# Boson-fermion correspondence of type D and order $N \in \mathbb{N}$ (IA, Rehren/Tedesco)

The boson-fermion correspondence of type D can be generalized to arbitrary order  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ :

Let  $\epsilon$  be a  $N$ -th order primitive root of unity; Consider the field  $h(z)$

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \epsilon^{i-1} : \phi^D(\epsilon^{i-1}z) \phi^D(\epsilon^i z) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} h_n z^{-Nn-1} \quad (31)$$

Its OPE is

$$h(z)h(w) \sim \frac{z^{N-1}w^{N-1}}{(z^N - w^N)^2}, \quad (32)$$

and thus  $h(z)$  is an untwisted Heisenberg field.

For the generating fields we have

$$e_\phi^{\epsilon^k \alpha}(w) = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \epsilon^{(k-1)i} \phi^D(\epsilon^i w) \right) = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \epsilon^{(k-1)i} T^i \phi^D(w) \right);$$

where

$$e_\phi^{\epsilon^k \alpha}(z) = \exp\left(\epsilon^{-k} \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{h_{-n}}{n} z^{Nn}\right) \exp\left(\epsilon^k \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{h_n}{n} z^{-Nn}\right) e_\phi^{\epsilon^k \alpha} z^{1-k+N\partial_\alpha}$$

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That has interesting consequences: each of those chiral algebras inherits the structures from the other.

**Thank you.**