

# Opers & Integrability

(w/ Frenkel, Sage, Zeitlin), multiple papers in the past few years.

This is a story about interactions between various branches of mathematical physics

- Quantum enumerative geometry (cohomology,  $k$ -theory, elliptic cohomology) [Givental et al.]
- Geometric representation theory, in particular Geometric Langlands [Okounkov et al.]
- Integrable systems and dualities [our work + bunch of results from string theory]

Opers help us understand these connections in a new way.

①  $(G, q)$ -opers: Works for  $G$ -simple, simply-connected, complex Lie group.  
 Let's begin w/  $G = GL(r+1)$  (in type  $A$  we can do more explicit calculations, in particular, connections to integrability)

Consider automorphism  $M_q: \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$   
 $z \mapsto qz, \quad q \in \mathbb{C}^\times$

Def: A meromorphic  $(GL(r+1), q)$ -oper on  $\mathbb{P}^1$  is a triple  $(A, E, \mathcal{L}_\bullet)$ , where  
 $E$  - vector bundle of rank  $r+1$  over  $\mathbb{P}^1$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_\bullet$  - complete flag of vector subbundles

$$\text{line} - \mathcal{L}_{r+1} \subset \mathcal{L}_r \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{L}_1 = E$$

s.t. the meromorphic  $(GL(r+1), q)$ -connection  $A \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_U}(E, E^q)$  pullback under  $M_q$  of  $E$   
 satisfies:   
open Zariski-dense subset

i)  $A \mathcal{L}_i \subset \mathcal{L}_{i-1}$

ii)  $\exists$  open dense subset  $V \in \mathbb{P}^1$  s.t. the restriction of  $A \in \text{Hom}(\mathcal{L}_\bullet, \mathcal{L}_\bullet^q)$   
 to  $V = V \cap M_q^{-1}(V)$  is invertible and restrictions

$$\bar{A}_i: \mathcal{L}_i / \mathcal{L}_{i+1} \xrightarrow{\sim} \left( \mathcal{L}_{i-1} / \mathcal{L}_i \right)^q \text{ is an isomorphism on } V.$$

If  $\det A = 1 \Rightarrow (SL(r+1), q)$ -oper.

Changing trivialization on  $E$  via  $g(z) \in SL(r+1)(z)$  changes  $A(z)$  by

$$A(z) \mapsto g(qz) A(z) g(z)^{-1}$$

Let  $\mathcal{L}_{r+1} = \text{Span}(S(z))$ . Consider determinants

$$W_i(S)(z) = \left[ S(z) \wedge A(z) S(qz) \wedge \dots \wedge A(z) A(qz) \dots A(q^{i-2}z) S(q^{i-1}z) \right] \Bigg|_{\substack{i \\ \wedge \\ r-i}}$$

$q$ -oper condition:  $W_i \neq 0$ .

Need more structure - singularities and twists

Def: An  $(SL(r+1), q)$ -oper has regular singularities at roots of polynomials

$$\{ \lambda_i(z) \}_{i=1..r} \quad i \in \mathbb{Z} \quad W_i(z) = \beta_i \lambda_i(z)$$

Def: An  $(SL(r+1), q)$ -oper is called  $\mathbb{Z}$ -twisted if  $\exists g(z) \in SL(r+1)(z)$  s.t.

$g(qz)A(z)g(z)^{-1} = Z \in H \subset H(z)$  - regular semi-simple

The  $q$ -oper connection reads:

$$A(z) = \begin{pmatrix} * \lambda_1 & & & \\ & * \lambda_2 & & \\ & & & 0 \\ & * & & \\ & & & * \lambda_r \end{pmatrix}$$

Def: The Miura  $(SL(r+1, q))$ -oper is  $(A, E, L_*, \hat{L}_*)$  where  $(A, E, L_*)$  is  $(SL(r+1, q))$ -oper and flag  $\hat{L}_*$  is preserved by the  $q$ -connection  $A(z)$ .

$Z$ -twisted Miura oper can be diagonalized by  $U(z) \in B_+(z)$ .

Prop: There are exactly  $|S_{r+1}| (r+1)!$  Miuraopers for a given  $Z$ -twisted  $q$ -oper if  $Z$  is regular semi-simple (char poly free of squares)

$A(z) = \prod_i (g_i(z))^{A_i} e^{\frac{\lambda_i(z)}{g_i(z)} e_i}$ . Can pick the order in roots s.t.  $A(z) =$  Miura oper

$$\begin{pmatrix} g_1 \lambda_1 & & & 0 \\ \frac{g_2}{g_1} \lambda_2 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & & \frac{g_r}{g_{r-1}} \lambda_r \\ & & & & \frac{1}{g_r} \end{pmatrix}$$

Miura conditions in detail:

In the standard basis for  $\hat{L}_*$   $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{r+1}$  in the space of sections relative position of  $L_*$  and  $\hat{L}_*$  can be expressed as follows:

$$D_u(s) = e_1 \wedge \dots \wedge e_{r+1-k} \wedge s(z) \wedge Z s(M_q z) \wedge \dots \wedge Z^{k-1} s(M_q^{k-1} z)$$

$D_u$  have a subset of zeros coincident w/ that of  $V_u(s)(z)$ . The rest of zeros correspond to points when flags are not in generic position:  $(\bar{F}_{B,x} = aB_+, \bar{F}_{B,x} = bB_- \quad a, b^{-1} = 1)$  in  $(q, q)$ -opers  $(G/B_+ = V_q)$

$$D_u(s) = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline & & s_1(z) & \dots & s_{r+1-k}(z) \\ \hline & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \hline & & s_r(z) & \dots & s_{r+1}(z) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$r+1-k$

Miura conditions:

$$\det_{i,j} \left[ \sum_r^{j-1} s_{r+1-k+i}^{(j-1)}(z) \right] = \beta_u V_u \cdot V_u, \quad s_i^{(k)}(z) = s_i(M_q^k z)$$

QR-System:

$$V_u(z) = \prod_{a=1}^{r_k} (z - v_{u,a})$$

Theorem: Polynomials  $\{V_u(z)\}, u=1, \dots, r$  give the solution to the QR-system.

[KSZ]

$$\xi_{i+1} Q_i^+(M_q z) Q_i^-(z) - \xi_i Q_i^+(z) Q_i^-(M_q z) = (\xi_{i+1} - \xi_i) \lambda_i(z) Q_{i-1}^-(M_q z) Q_{i+1}^-(z)$$

s.t.  $V_i = Q_i^+(z)$ . Moreover

(don't write the whole formula, just the version (2))

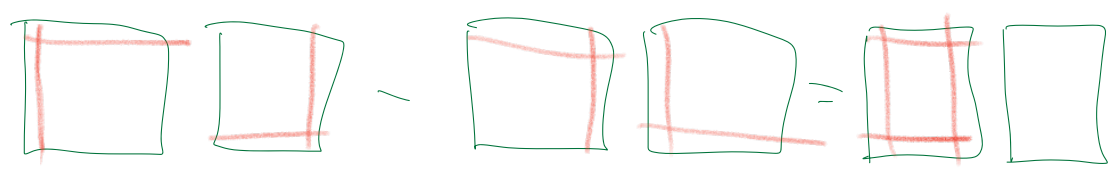
$$Q_j^+(z) = \frac{1}{M_q^{i-r} W_{r-i}(z)} \frac{\det M_{1 \dots j}}{\det V_{1 \dots j}}$$

$$Q_j^-(z) = \frac{1}{M_q^{i-r} W_{r-i}(z)} \frac{\det M_{1 \dots j-1, j+1}}{\det V_{1 \dots j-1, j+1}}$$

where

$$M_{i_1 \dots i_j} = \begin{pmatrix} s_{i_1} & s_{i_1}^{(1)} & \dots & s_{i_1}^{(j-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ s_{i_j} & s_{i_j}^{(1)} & \dots & s_{i_j}^{(j-1)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad V_{i_1 \dots i_j} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & q s_{i_1} & \dots & q^{j-1} s_{i_1}^{j-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & q s_{i_j} & \dots & q^{j-1} s_{i_j}^{j-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Lewis-Carroll identity:  
a particular example.



Difference operator

$$U(z) = \begin{pmatrix} Q_+(z) & Q_-(z) \\ 0 & Q_+(z)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_q(S) = AS$$

$$D_q(S_i) = 1 S_i$$

eliminate:

$$(D_q^2 - T(qz)D_q - \frac{1(qz)}{\lambda(z)})S_i = 0$$

Z-twisted Miura oper can be diagonalized by  $U(z) \in B_+(z)$ .

③ Generalized Minors:

For  $(G, q)$ -opers the LC identity is generalized as follows

Gauss decomposition

$$G = N_- H N_+$$

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{n}_- \mathfrak{h} \mathfrak{n}_+$$

$V_i^+$  - irrep of  $G$  w/ highest weight  $\omega_i$  w.r.t  $B^+$

$$h V_{\omega_i}^+ = [h]^{\omega_i} V_{\omega_i}^+$$

Principal minors [Fomin-Zelevinski]

$$\Delta: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^X$$

$$\Delta^{\omega_i}(g) = [h]^{\omega_i}, \quad i=1, \dots, r$$

Generalized minors for  $u, v \in W_G$  - Weyl group

$$\Delta_{u\omega_i, v\omega_i}(g) = \Delta^{\omega_i}(u^{-1}g\tilde{v}) \quad \sim \text{left to the loop group}$$

Proposition:

Let  $A(z) = U(qz)ZU(z)^{-1}$ ,  $U(z) \in B_+(z)$

$$\Delta_{u \cdot \omega_i, v_i}(U^{-1}(z)) = Q_+^{u, i}(z) \quad (= s_i(z) \text{ for } G = SL(n))$$

The QQ-system is equivalent to the following quadratic identity of Fomin and Zelevinski

$$\Delta_{u\omega_i, v\omega_i} \Delta_{u\omega_j, v\omega_j \omega_i} - \Delta_{u\omega_i, v\omega_i} \Delta_{u \cdot \omega_j, v\omega_j \omega_i} = \prod_{j \neq i} \Delta_{u\omega_i, v\omega_j}^{-a_{ji}}$$

Extended QQ-system:

$q$ -connection can be expressed as follows:  $A(z) = \prod g(z)^{\nu_i} e^{\frac{1_i(z)}{g_i(z)} e_i}$

$$g_i(z) = \prod_{j=i}^r \frac{Q_j^+(z)}{Q_j^-(z)}$$

Bäcklund transformations.

Prop:  $A \mapsto A^{(i)} = e^{\mu_i(qz) f_i} A(z) e^{-\mu_i(z) f_i}$ ,  $\mu_i(z) = \frac{Q_{i-1}^+(z) Q_{i+1}^-(z)}{Q_i^+(z) Q_i^-(z)}$

then  $A^{(i)}$  is obtained from  $A$  by substitution

$$Q_+^j(z) \mapsto Q_+^j(z), \quad j \neq i$$

$$Q_+^i(z) \mapsto Q_-^i(z), \quad z \mapsto s_i(z)$$

One can keep creating



4  $(G, q)$ -opers:

$(G, q)$ -oper on  $P^1$  is  $(\mathcal{F}_G, A, \mathcal{F}_{B_+})$ , where  $A$  - meromorphic connection

$\mathcal{F}_{B_+}$  - reduction of  $\mathcal{F}_G$  to  $B_+$  s.t. restriction of  $A: \mathcal{F}_G \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_G^q$  on  $V$

takes values in  $B_+(\mathbb{C}[V]) \subset B_+(\mathbb{C}[U])$

$c$  - Coxeter element  $c = \prod s_i$

Locally  $A(z) = h'(z) \prod_i (\varphi_i(z)^{\alpha_i} s_i) h(z)$ ,  $h, h'(z) \in \mathcal{N}_+(z)$

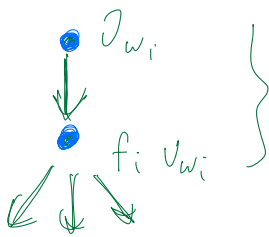
Mirwa  $(G, q)$ -oper  $(\mathcal{F}_G, A, \mathcal{F}_{B_+}, \mathcal{F}_{B_+})$

preserves  $q$ -connection

Th: Every Mirwa  $(G, q)$ -oper w/ regular singularities can be written as

$$A(z) = \prod_i g_i(z)^{-\alpha_i} e^{\frac{\lambda_i(z)}{g_i(z)} f_i}, \quad g_i(z) \in \mathbb{C}(z)^*$$

Mirwa-Plickler  $(G, q)$ -oper:



$v_{w_i}$  - highest weight vector of  $L_i \subset V_i$  - irrep of  $\mathfrak{g}$  with highest weight  $\omega_i$  w.r.t  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{b}_+$

$W_i$  - 2d subspace spanned by  $\{v_{w_i}, f_i \cdot v_{w_i}\}$  -  $B_+$  invariant

Associated vector bundle  $\mathcal{V}_i = \mathcal{F}_{B_+} \times_{B_+} V_i$

contains rank-2 subbundle  $\mathcal{W}_i = \mathcal{F}_{B_+} \times_{B_+} W_i$

line subbundle  $\mathcal{L}_i = \mathcal{F}_{B_+} \times_{B_+} L_i$

Associate to every  $i=1, \dots, r$  an  $(\text{SL}(2) | q)$ -oper

Def:  $\exists v(z) \in B_+(z)$  s.t.

$$A_i(z) = v(qz) z v(z)^{-1} \Big|_{W_i}$$

$$A_i(z) = \begin{pmatrix} g_i(z) & \prod_{j>i} g_j(z)^{-q_{ij}} \\ 0 & g_i(z)^{-1} \prod_{j<i} g_j(z)^{-q_{ji}} \end{pmatrix}$$

When  $MP \cap p \leq M \cap p$  ?

Th:  $\forall$  w/o-generic Miura - Pliacher  $q$ -oper is Miura  $q$ -oper.

$$\hookrightarrow G \text{ QQ system} \iff (G, q) \text{opers}$$

⑤ Integrability & Dualities:

Consider  $(SL(2), q)$ -oper

$$s(z) \wedge z S(qz) = \beta \wedge(z)$$

$$\text{Let } S(z) = \begin{pmatrix} Q_+(z) \\ Q_-(z) \end{pmatrix}, \quad Z_+ = \begin{pmatrix} \xi & 0 \\ 0 & \xi^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \wedge(z) = \prod_{n=1}^L \prod_{\ell=0}^{K_n-1} (z - q^\ell z_n)$$

$$M(z) = \begin{pmatrix} Q_+(z) & \xi Q_+(qz) \\ Q_-(z) & \xi^{-1} Q_-(qz) \end{pmatrix} \quad \det M = \beta \cdot \wedge(z)$$

1) Calculate the determinant =  $q^h$ -system (is equivalent to  $\wedge(z) \sim Z$ )

$$\xi^{-1} Q_+(z) Q_-(qz) - \xi Q_+(qz) Q_-(z) = (\xi^{-1} - \xi) \wedge(z)$$

XXZ Bethe equations:  $Q_+ = \prod_{k=1}^m (z - w_k)$

$$\prod_{n=1}^L \frac{w_k - qz_n}{w_k - z_n} = \xi z \prod_{j=1}^m \frac{q w_m - w_j}{w_k - q w_j}, \quad k=1 \dots m$$

2) Def: We call  $Z$ -twisted Miura  $(SL(r+1), q)$ -oper canonical if

1)  $Z$ -regular semisimple

2)  $\deg Q_k = k$

3) No other singularities except for the roots of  $\wedge(z) = D_{r+1}(z)$  which are distinct.

Proposition:  $\{z_i(z)\}_{i=1 \dots r+1}$  are of degree 1.

Consider canonical  $(SL(2), q)$ -oper

$$Q_+(z) = z - p_1 \quad \wedge_2(z) = (z - a_1)(z - a_2)$$

$$Q_-(z) = z - p_2,$$

$$M(z) = \begin{pmatrix} z - p_1 & \xi(z - p_1) \\ z - p_2 & \xi^{-1}(z - p_2) \end{pmatrix} = z \begin{pmatrix} 1 & q\xi \\ 1 & q\xi^{-1} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} p_1 & p_1 \xi \\ p_2 & p_2 \xi^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= z \cdot V + M(0)$$

$$\det M(z) = \det V \cdot \wedge(z)$$

$$\det (z + M(0) \cdot V^{-1}) = \wedge(z) \leftarrow \text{spectral curve for tRS!}$$

Claim:  $Z = -M(0)V^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\xi - q\xi^{-1}}{\xi - \xi^{-1}} p_1 & \frac{(q-1)\xi}{q(\xi - \xi^{-1})} p_1 \end{pmatrix}$

is the Lax matrix for the tRS model

$$\begin{pmatrix} (q-1)\xi P_2 \\ -\frac{1}{q(\xi-\xi^{-1})} \end{pmatrix}$$

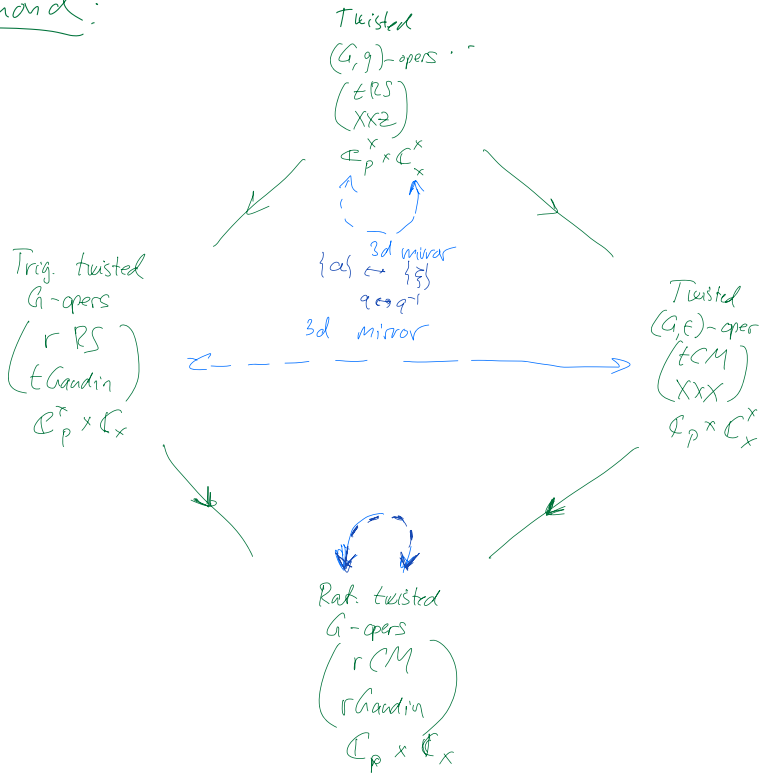
$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi q - \xi^{-1} \\ \xi - \xi^{-1} \end{pmatrix} P_2$$

Works for  $SL(N)$ .

$$\det(z-L) = \sum_{k=0}^r z^k (-1)^k H_{n-k}^{tRS}$$

$$\text{Fun}(q, \mathcal{O}_{P_2}^1) \cong \frac{\mathcal{C}(q, \xi_i, P_i, a_i)}{\left\{ H_k^{tRS} = e_k(a_1, \dots, a_{r+1}) \right\}} \cong \frac{\mathcal{C}(q, \tilde{\xi}_i, S_{r+1}, a_i)}{\text{Bethe}} \cong \frac{\mathcal{F}(q, \tilde{\xi}_i, P_i, a_i)}{qK/r}$$

Diamond:



Elliptic generalizations:

