

# Reduction of Quantum Principal Bundles

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Joint work with Latini and Pagani:

*Reduction of Quantum Principal Bundles over non affine bases,*  
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# 0. Motivation

# Motivation

- **Quantum Groups:** are born to encode quantum symmetries. We treat physical geometric objects as *homogeneous spaces*.
- **Quantum Cartan Geometry.** We go towards a quantum theory of Cartan connections and (bi)covariant objects (e.g. covariant hamiltonian).
- **Non commutative (super)gravity.** The language of (quantum) differential geometry is natural for any geometric theory like (super)gravity.

# Quantum space and Quantum Groups

- **Classical space:**  $x^\mu x^\nu = x^\nu x^\mu$
- **Action of a classical group:**  $x^\mu \mapsto a_\nu^\mu x^\nu$
- **Quantum space:**  $x^\mu x^\nu = qx^\nu x^\mu$ ,  $\mu > \nu$ ,  $q = e^h \in \mathbb{C}$
- **Coaction of a quantum group:**  $x^\mu \mapsto a_\nu^\mu \otimes x^\nu$

The quantum deformation of the space imposes a quantum deformation of the group coacting on the space (Manin).

**Manin commutation relations and quantum  $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$ .** Assume:

$$yx = qxy$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \implies \begin{aligned} ab &= q^{-1}ba, \quad ac = q^{-1}ca, \quad bd = q^{-1}db, \\ cd &= q^{-1}dc \quad bc = cb \quad ad - da = (q^{-1} - q)bc \end{aligned}$$

# 1. Principal Bundles



# Principal bundles: Classical definition

## Definition

$(E, M, \varphi, P)$  is a  $P$ -principal bundle if

- 1  $\varphi : E \rightarrow M$  is surjective.
- 2  $P$  acts freely from the right on  $E$ .
- 3  $P$  acts transitively on the fiber  $\varphi^{-1}(m)$ ,  $m \in M$ .
- 4 ( $E$  is locally trivial over  $M$ ).

## Example

$$E = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1 \cong \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/B, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix}$$

*This is a principal bundle with fiber  $B$ .*

# Principal Bundles: Sheaf theoretic definition

## Definition ((Pflaum))

$p : E \longrightarrow M$  is a  $P$ -principal bundle if and only if

- $\mathcal{F} = C_E^\infty$  is a sheaf of  $H = \mathcal{O}(P)$  comodule algebras;
- There exists an open covering  $\{\bar{U}_i\}$  of  $M$  such that:
  - 1  $\mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{coinv}H} \simeq \mathcal{O}_M(\bar{U}_i)$
  - 2  $\mathcal{F}(U_i) \simeq \mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{coinv}H} \otimes H$ , as left  $\mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{coinv}H}$ -modules and right  $H$ -comodules for all  $i$ ,

$$\mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{coinv}H} := \{f \in \mathcal{F}(U_i) \mid \delta_H(f) = f \otimes 1\}$$

$\delta_H : \mathcal{F}(U_i) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U_i) \otimes H$  the  $H$ -coaction.

## 2. Quantum Principal Bundles

# Quantum Principal bundles

## Definition

$(M, \mathcal{O}_M)$  is a quantum ringed space if

- $M$ : classical topological space
- $\mathcal{O}_M$ : sheaf over  $M$  of non commutative algebras.

## Definition

The sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $M$  is a  $H$ -quantum principal bundle over the quantum ringed space  $(M, \mathcal{O}_M)$  if:

- $\mathcal{F}$  is a sheaf of  $H$  comodule algebras;
- There exists an open covering  $\{U_i\}$  of  $M$  such that:
  - 1  $\mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{coinv}H} = \mathcal{O}_M(U_i)$ ,
  - 2  $\mathcal{F}$  is locally cleft, i.e.  $\mathcal{F}(U_i) \cong \mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{coinv}H} \otimes H$ .

## Example of a classical principal bundle

$$\wp : E = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow M = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/P \simeq \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$$

On the coordinate algebras:

$$\pi : \mathbb{C}[\mathrm{SL}_2] = \mathbb{C}[a, b, c, d]/(ad - bc - 1) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[\mathrm{SL}_2]/(c) = \mathbb{C}[t, p, t^{-1}]$$

$$V_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a \neq 0 \right\}, \quad V_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid c \neq 0 \right\} \text{ open cover of } \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}).$$

Let  $U_i = \wp(V_i)$ . Define the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{O}(P)$ -comodule algebras

$$\mathcal{F}(U_1) := \mathbb{C}[\mathrm{SL}_2][[a^{-1}]], \quad \mathcal{F}(U_2) := \mathbb{C}[\mathrm{SL}_2][[c^{-1}]]$$

$$\mathcal{F}(U_{12}) := \mathbb{C}[\mathrm{SL}_2][[[a^{-1}, c^{-1}]] \quad \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})) = \mathbb{C}.$$

$\mathcal{F}$  is a (quantum) principal bundle on  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ .

# The Manin bialgebra

Define the *quantum special linear group*:

$$\mathbb{C}_q[\mathrm{SL}_2] = \mathbb{C}_q\langle a, b, c, d \rangle / I_M + (ad - q^{-1}bc - 1).$$

$I_M$  is the ideal of the *Manin relations*

$$ab = q^{-1}ba, \quad ac = q^{-1}ca, \quad bd = q^{-1}db, \quad cd = q^{-1}dc,$$

$$bc = cb \quad ad - da = (q^{-1} - q)bc$$

# Examples of a Quantum Ringed space and a Quantum Principal Bundle

$U_i$  cover of  $X = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/P$  as above.

Define the quantum ringed space:

$$\mathcal{O}_{q, \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})}(U_1) = \mathbb{C}_q[a^{-1}c] \simeq \mathbb{C}_q[u], \quad \mathcal{O}_{q, \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})}(U_2) = \mathbb{C}_q[c^{-1}a] \simeq \mathbb{C}_q[v]$$

On the quantum ringed space  $(\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}), \mathcal{O}_{q, \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})})$  define the quantum principal bundle  $\mathcal{F}$ , with respect to the covering  $U_1, U_2$ :

$$\mathcal{F}(U_1) := \mathbb{C}_q[\mathrm{SL}_2][a^{-1}] \quad \mathcal{F}(U_2) := \mathbb{C}_q[\mathrm{SL}_2][a^{-1}]$$

$$\mathcal{F}(U_{12}) := \mathbb{C}_q[\mathrm{SL}_2][a^{-1}, c^{-1}]$$

This is a sheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_q(P)$ -comodule algebras on  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ .

### 3. Reduction of Principal Bundles



# Reduction of Principal Bundles

## Definition

Let  $\xi = (E, \pi, M)$  be a principal  $P$ -bundle  $K \subset P$  a subgroup.

Let  $\xi_0 = (E_0, \pi_0, M)$  be a principal  $K$ -bundle.

$\xi_0$  is a reduction of  $\xi$  if there is a  $K$ -equivariant homeomorphism

$$\varphi : E_0 \rightarrow \phi(E_0) \subset E, \quad \varphi(xk) = \varphi(x)k, \quad x \in E_0, k \in K,$$

## Proposition

A principal  $P$ -bundle  $\xi = (E, \pi, M)$  is reducible to a principal  $K$ -bundle  $\xi_0 = (E_0, \pi_0, M)$  if and only if the bundle  $\xi_K := (E \setminus K, \pi_K, M)$ , with  $\pi_K$  being the projection induced by  $\pi$  on  $E \setminus K$ , admits a global section.

## Example of a reduction

Consider:

$$\pi : \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}) = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/B$$

$B$  is the subgroup of upper triangular matrices.

$$\pi_0 : \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/N \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$$

$N \subset B$  is the unipotent subgroup.

$$E = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}), \quad P = B, \quad K = T \subset B, \quad E_0 = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/N$$

where  $T = B/N$  is the torus of diagonal matrices.

$(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/N, \pi_0, \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}))$  is a reduction of  $(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/B, \pi, \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}))$

**Key point:**  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})/N \cong \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\}$  is **not** an affine/projective algebraic variety, there is no algebra associated with it.

We need a sheaf theoretic approach to quantize it!

## 4. Reduction of Quantum Principal Bundles

# Affine Reductions of Quantum Principal Bundles

## Definition

Let  $H$  be a Hopf algebra. An  $H$ -comodule algebra  $A$  is *principal* if:

- 1  $A^{\text{co}H} \subset A$  is  $H$ -Galois,
- 2  $A$  is a faithfully flat  $A^{\text{co}H}$ -module.

## Definition

Let  $A$  be a principal  $H$ -comodule algebra with  $B := A^{\text{co}H}$  and  $J$  be a Hopf ideal of  $H$  such that  $H$  is a principal left  $H_0$ -comodule algebra for  $H_0 := H/J$ .

Let  $A_0$  be a principal  $H_0$ -comodule algebra with  $B_0 := A_0^{\text{co}H_0}$ .

We say that  $A_0$  is a *reduction* of  $A$  if

- 1  $B \cong B_0$  as algebras;
- 2 there exists a surjective  $H_0$ -comodule morphism,  $\phi : A \longrightarrow A_0$ ,  $\phi(B) = B_0$ , where  $A$  carries the induced  $H_0$ -coaction.

# Sheaf Reduction of Quantum Principal Bundles

## Definition

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_0$  be quantum principal bundles over the quantum ringed space  $(M, \mathcal{O}_M)$  for Hopf algebras  $H$  and  $H_0 = H/J$ , respectively. We say that  $\mathcal{F}_0$  is a reduction (resp. algebraic reduction) of  $\mathcal{F}$  if there exists an open covering  $\{U_i\}$  of  $M$  such that:

- 1  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_0$  are quantum principal bundles with respect to such cover,
- 2 there exists an  $H_0$ -comodule (resp.  $H_0$ -comodule algebra) morphism  $\varphi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_0$  such that  $\varphi(\mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{co}H}) = \mathcal{F}(U_i)^{\text{co}H_0}$  for the induced coaction of  $H_0 = H/J$  on the  $\mathcal{F}(U_i)$ .

## 4. Example of Sheaf Reduction of Quantum Principal Bundles

# The Takhtajan-Sudbery algebra $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(n))$

It is generated by elements  $a_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ , with commutation relations

$$a_{ik}a_{il} = q^{-1} a_{il}a_{ik}; \quad a_{ik}a_{jk} = q a_{jk}a_{ik} \quad (1)$$

$$a_{il}a_{jk} = q^2 a_{jk}a_{il}; \quad a_{ik}a_{jl} = a_{jl}a_{ik}, \quad i < j, k < l$$

with  $D^{-1}$ , the inverse of the quantum determinant  $D$ ,

$$a_{ik}D = q^{2(k-i)}Da_{ik}, \quad a_{ik}D^{-1} = q^{-2(k-i)}D^{-1}a_{ik}. \quad (2)$$

$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(2))$  it has generators  $a, b, c, d$  and  $D^{-1}$ :

$$ab = q^{-1}ba, \quad ac = qca, \quad cd = q^{-1}dc, \quad bd = qdb, \quad bc = q^2cb, \quad ad = da \quad (3)$$

together with

$$aD^{\pm 1} = D^{\pm 1}a, \quad bD^{\pm 1} = q^{\pm 2}D^{\pm 1}b, \quad cD^{\pm 1} = q^{\mp 2}D^{\pm 1}c, \quad dD^{\pm 1} = D^{\pm 1}d$$

for  $D = ad - q^{-1}bc$  the quantum determinant.

# QPBs on the projective line $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ and sheaf reductions

Let  $U_1, U_2$  be the usual cover of the complex projective line.

We define two sheaves  $\mathcal{F}_0, \mathcal{F}$  over  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ :

$$\mathcal{F}_0(U_1) := \mathbb{C}_q[a, c, a^{-1}, D^{\pm 1}] \subset \mathcal{F}(U_1) := \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(2))[a^{-1}]$$

$$\mathcal{F}_0(U_2) := \mathbb{C}_q[a, c, c^{-1}, D^{\pm 1}] \subset \mathcal{F}(U_2) := \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(2))[c^{-1}]$$

$$\mathcal{F}_0(U_1 \cap U_2) := \mathbb{C}_q[a, c, a^{-1}, c^{-1}, D^{\pm 1}] \subset \mathcal{F}(U_1 \cap U_2)$$

$$\mathcal{F}(U_1 \cap U_2) := \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(2))[a^{-1}, c^{-1}]$$

$\mathcal{F}$  is a sheaf of  $H$ -comodule algebras,  $H = \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(2))[a^{-1}]/(b)$ .

$\mathcal{F}_0$  is a sheaf of  $H_0$ -comodule algebras,  $H_0 = \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(2))[a^{-1}]/(b, c)$ .

## Proposition

$\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_0$  are QPB and  $\mathcal{F}_0$  is a reduction of  $\mathcal{F}$ .



## 6. Existence of Reductions

## Result on the existence of Reductions

Let  $\{U_i\}$  be a finite cover of a quantum space and consider the topology induced by it.

### Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a quantum  $H$ -principal bundle over the quantum ringed space  $(M, \mathcal{O}_M)$  with respect to a finite open covering  $\{U_i\}$ . Let  $H_0 = H/J$ . Assume  $\{f_i : {}^{\text{co}}H_0 H \rightarrow Z_{\mathcal{F}(U_i)}(\mathcal{O}_M(U_i))\}$  is a family of  $H$ -module and  $H$ -comodule algebra maps such that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} {}^{\text{co}}H_0 H & \xrightarrow{f_i} & Z_{\mathcal{F}(U_i)}(\mathcal{O}_M(U_i)) \subseteq \mathcal{F}(U_i) \\ \downarrow f_j & & \downarrow \rho_{i,j} \\ Z_{\mathcal{F}(U_j)}(\mathcal{O}_M(U_j)) \subseteq \mathcal{F}(U_j) & \xrightarrow{\rho_{j,i}} & \mathcal{F}(U_i \cap U_j) \end{array} \quad (4)$$

Then  $\mathcal{F}$  admits an algebraic reduction  $\mathcal{F}_0$  to  $H_0$ .

## Examples: The Taktajan-Sudbery algebra

Define  $A = \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_q(\mathrm{GL}(n))$  and:

$$H = A/(a_{s1}, s \neq 1), \quad J = (a_{1s}, s = 2, \dots, n), \quad H_0 = H/J$$

$H$  is a left  $H_0$ -comodule algebra

$$\rho : H \rightarrow H_0 \otimes H, \quad h \mapsto \pi(h_1) \otimes h_2, \quad (\pi : H \rightarrow H_0 = H/J)$$

Define:

$$f_\ell : {}^{\mathrm{co}H_0}H \rightarrow A_\ell := A[a_{1,\ell}^{-1}], \quad \beta_s \mapsto a_{\ell 1}^{-1} a_{\ell s}, \quad s = 2, \dots, n.$$

$f_\ell$  satisfy the hypotheses of the previous theorem, hence we have a quantum reduction corresponding to the classical reduction:

$$\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{C})/N \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{C})/P$$

**Remark:** The Manin deformation does not satisfy the hypotheses of the theorem and we cannot construct a similar reduction.

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