

# Remarks on differential structures on quantum spheres.

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# Aim:

- One-forms (sections of the cotangent bundle) on the 2-sphere have the interpretation of the direct sum of sections of two line bundles with Chern numbers  $\pm 2$ .
- These correspond to holomorphic and anti-holomorphic forms.
- This interpretation carries over to the **standard** quantum or Podleś two-spheres.
- We address a question: is such an interpretation possible for **nonstandard** Podleś two-spheres?

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$\mathcal{O}_q(SL(2))$  is a matrix-type Hopf algebra, with comultiplication and counit

$$\Delta(u_{ij}) = \sum_k u_{ik} \otimes u_{kj}, \quad \varepsilon(u_{ij}) = \delta_{ij},$$

and the antipode:

$$S\alpha = \delta, \quad S\beta = -q^{-1}\beta, \quad S\gamma = -q\gamma, \quad S\delta = \alpha.$$

This is compatible with the  $*$ -structure of  $\mathcal{O}_q(SU(2))$ .

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Unexpectedly,  $C$  has a basis of grouplike elements  $c_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$c_n = \begin{cases} \pi \left( \prod_{k=0}^n (\alpha + q^{k-1} s \beta) \right) = \pi \left( \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (\alpha + q^k s \gamma) \right), & n > 0, \\ \pi(1), & n = 0, \\ \pi \left( \prod_{k=1}^{-n} (\delta - q^{-k-1} s \beta) \right) = \pi \left( \prod_{k=0}^{-n-1} (\delta - q^{-k} s \gamma) \right), & n < 0, \end{cases}$$

[Brzeziński-Majid '00], [Müller-Schneider '99].

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- There is a map  $\ell : C \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_q(SU(2)) \otimes \mathcal{O}_q(SU(2))$ , which ensures that  $\mathcal{O}_q(SU(2))$  is a  $C$ -equivariantly projective  $\mathcal{O}_{q,s}(S^2)$ -module and generates line bundles.
- Let  $\ell_n := \ell(c_n)$ . Then  $\ell_0 = 1 \otimes 1$  and, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\ell_{n+1} = \frac{(q\gamma + q^{-n}s\delta)\ell_n(-\beta + q^{-n}s\alpha) + (\alpha + q^{-n-1}s\beta)\ell_n(\delta - q^{-n}s\gamma)}{1 + q^{-2n}s^2};$$

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- Let  $\ell_n = \sum_{i \in I} \ell'_{n,i} \otimes \ell''_{n,i}$ .
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$$\sum_{i \in I} \ell'_{n,i} \ell''_{n,i} = 1, \quad [\text{Brzeziński-Majid '00}].$$

- For all  $n, i, j$ ,

$$\ell''_{n,i} \ell'_{n,j} \in \mathcal{O}_{q,s}(S^2), \quad [\text{Brzeziński-Hajac '03}].$$

- Hence,  $\{\ell''_{n,i}\}_{i \in I}$  generate projective left  $\mathcal{O}_{q,s}(S^2)$ -modules  $\mathcal{E}_n$ , while  $\{\ell'_{-n,i}\}_{i \in I}$  generate projective right  $\mathcal{O}_{q,s}(S^2)$ -modules  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n$ .
- Each of these modules can be interpreted as a line bundle (viewed as a left or right module, correspondingly) of the topological charge  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

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- It descends to a calculus  $\Gamma$  on  $\mathcal{O}_q(S^2)$  generated by  $e_i^+ \omega_-, e_i^- \omega_+$ , so that  $\Gamma \cong \mathcal{E}_2 \oplus \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_{-2}$ .
- The calculus splits into antiholomorphic and holomorphic parts

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