# COHOMOLOGY OF A FLAG VARIETY AS A BETHE ALGEBRA

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ABSTRACT. We interpret the equivariant cohomology  $H^*_{GL_n}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}, \mathbb{C})$  of a partial flag variety  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$  parametrizing subspaces  $0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset F_N = \mathbb{C}^n$ , dim  $F_i/F_{i-1} = \lambda_i$ , as the Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}^{\pm}_{\lambda})$  of the  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -weight subspace  $\mathcal{V}^{\pm}_{\lambda}$  of a  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module  $\mathcal{V}^{\pm}$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

A Bethe algebra of a quantum integrable model is a commutative algebra of linear operators (Hamiltonians) acting on the space of states of the model. An interesting problem is to describe the Bethe algebra as the algebra of functions on a suitable scheme. Such a description can be considered as an instance of the geometric Langlands correspondence, see [MTV2], [MTV3]. The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$  Gaudin model is an example of a quantum integrable model [G1], [G2]. The Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K$  of the  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$  Gaudin model is a commutative subalgebra of the current algebra  $U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$ . The algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K$  depends on the parameters  $K = (K_1, \ldots, K_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ . Having a  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module M, one obtains the commutative subalgebra  $\mathcal{B}^K(M) \subset \operatorname{End}(M)$ as the image of  $\mathcal{B}^K$ . The geometric interpretation of the algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K(M)$  as the algebra of functions on a scheme leads to interesting objects. For example, the Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}((\otimes_{s=1}^n L_{\Lambda_s}(z_s))_{\lambda}^{sing})$  of the subspace of singular vectors of the  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -weight  $\lambda$  of the tensor product of finite dimensional evaluation modules  $\otimes_{s=1}^n L_{\Lambda_s}(z_s)$  is interpreted as the space of functions on the intersection of suitable Schubert cycles in a Grassmannian variety, see [MTV2]. This interpretation gives a relation between representation theory and Schubert calculus useful in both directions.

One of the most interesting  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -modules is the vector space  $\mathcal{V} = V^{\otimes n} \otimes \mathbb{C}[z_1, \ldots, z_n]$  of  $V^{\otimes n}$ -valued polynomials in  $z_1, \ldots, z_n$ , where  $V = \mathbb{C}^N$  is the standard vector representation

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of  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ . The Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$  naturally acts on  $\mathcal{V}$  as well as the symmetric group  $S_n$ , which permutes the factors of  $V^{\otimes n}$  and variables  $z_1, \ldots, z_n$  simultaneously. We denote by  $\mathcal{V}^+$  and  $\mathcal{V}^-$  the  $S_n$ -invariant and antiinvariant subspaces of  $\mathcal{V}$ , respectively. The actions of  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ and  $S_n$  on  $\mathcal{V}$  commute, so  $\mathcal{V}^+$  and  $\mathcal{V}^-$  are  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -submodules of  $\mathcal{V}$ . The Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K$ preserves the  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -weight decompositions  $\mathcal{V}^+ = \bigoplus_{\lambda} \mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+$  and  $\mathcal{V}^- = \bigoplus_{\lambda} \mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^-$ ,  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_N) \in$  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^N, |\lambda| = n$ . The Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+)$  was described in [MTV3] as the algebra of functions on a suitable space of quasiexponentials  $\{e^{K_i u}(u^{\lambda_i} + \Sigma_{i1}u^{\lambda_i-1} + \cdots + \Sigma_{i\lambda_i}), i = 1, \ldots, N\}$ . In this paper we give a similar description for  $\mathcal{B}^K(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^-)$  and study the limit of the algebras  $\mathcal{B}^K(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+), \mathcal{B}^K(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^-)$  as all coordinates of the vector K tend to infinity so that  $K_i/K_{i+1} \to \infty$ for all i. We show that in this limit both Bethe algebras  $\mathcal{B}^\infty(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+), \mathcal{B}^\infty(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^-)$  can be identified with the algebra of the equivariant cohomology  $H_{GL_n}^*(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}, \mathbb{C})$  of the partial flag variety  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$ parametrizing subspaces

$$0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset F_N = \mathbb{C}^n,$$

dim  $F_i/F_{i-1} = \lambda_i$ . This identification was motivated for us by the considerations in [RV], [RSV] where the equivariant cohomology of the partial flag varieties were used to construct certain conformal blocks in  $V^{\otimes n}$ .

Our identification of the Bethe algebra with the algebra of multiplication operators of the equivariant cohomology  $H^*_{GL_n}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}, \mathbb{C})$  can be considered as a degeneration of the recent description in [O] of the equivariant quantum cohomology of the partial flag varieties as the Bethe algebra of a suitable Yangian model associated with  $V^{\otimes n}$ , cf. [BMO].

In Section 2 we introduce the Bethe algebra. Section 3 contains the main results — Theorems 3.3, 3.4. Theorems 3.3 identifies the algebra of equivariant cohomology  $H^*_{GL_n}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}, \mathbb{C})$ and the Bethe algebras  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda})$ ,  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}^-_{\lambda})$ . Theorem 3.4 says that the Shapovalov pairing of  $\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda}$  and  $\mathcal{V}^-_{\lambda}$  is nondegenerate. In Section 4 we show that the isomorphisms of Theorem 3.3 are limiting cases of a geometric Langlands correspondence. In Section 5 we explain how the Bethe algebras  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda})$ ,  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}^-_{\lambda})$  are related to the quantum equivariant cohomology  $QH_{GL_n\times\mathbb{C}^*}(T^*\mathcal{F}_{\lambda})$  of the cotangent bundle  $T^*\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$  of the flag variety  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$ . Appendix contains the topological description of  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -actions on  $\bigoplus_{\lambda} H^*_{GL_n}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}, \mathbb{C})$ .

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## 2. Representations of current algebra $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$

2.1. Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ . Let  $e_{ij}$ , i, j = 1, ..., N, be the standard generators of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$  satisfying the relations  $[e_{ij}, e_{sk}] = \delta_{js} e_{ik} - \delta_{ik} e_{sj}$ . We denote by  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_N$  the subalgebra generated by  $e_{ii}$ , i = 1, ..., N. For a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , we denote by  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  the universal enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

A vector v of a  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -module M has weight  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$  if  $e_{ii}v = \lambda_i v$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, N$ . We denote by  $M_{\lambda} \subset M$  the weight subspace of weight  $\lambda$ .

Let  $V = \mathbb{C}^N$  be the standard vector representation of  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$  with basis  $v_1, \ldots, v_N$  such that  $e_{ij}v_k = \delta_{jk}v_i$  for all i, j, k. A tensor power  $V^{\otimes n}$  of the vector representation has a basis given by the vectors  $v_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes v_{i_n}$ , where  $i_j \in \{1, \ldots, N\}$ .

Every sequence  $(i_1, \ldots, i_n)$  defines a decomposition  $I = (I_1, \ldots, I_N)$  of  $\{1, \ldots, n\}$  into disjoint subsets  $I_1, \ldots, I_N$ :  $I_j = \{k \mid i_k = j\}$ . We denote the basis vector  $v_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes v_{i_n}$  by  $v_I$ .

Let

$$V^{\otimes n} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}^N_{\geq 0}, \, |\lambda| = n} (V^{\otimes n})_{\lambda}$$

be the weight decomposition. Denote  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda}$  the set of all indices I with  $|I_j| = \lambda_j, \ j = 1, ..., N$ . The vectors  $\{v_I, I \in \mathcal{I}_{\lambda}\}$ , form a basis of  $(V^{\otimes n})_{\lambda}$ . The dimension of  $(V^{\otimes n})_{\lambda}$  equals the multinomial coefficient  $d_{\lambda} := \frac{n!}{\lambda_1!...\lambda_N!}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the bilinear form on  $V^{\otimes n}$  such that the basis  $\{v_I\}$  is orthonormal. We call  $\mathcal{S}$  the Shapovalov form.

2.2. Current algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ . Let  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t] = \mathfrak{gl}_N \otimes \mathbb{C}[t]$  be the Lie algebra of  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -valued polynomials with pointwise commutator. We identify  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$  with the subalgebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N \otimes 1$  of constant polynomials in  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ . Hence, any  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module has the canonical structure of a  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -module.

The Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$  has a basis  $e_{ij} \otimes t^r$ ,  $i, j = 1, \ldots, N, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , such that

$$[e_{ij} \otimes t^r, e_{sk} \otimes t^p] = \delta_{is} e_{ik} \otimes t^{r+p} - \delta_{ik} e_{sj} \otimes t^{r+p}$$

It is convenient to collect elements of  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$  in generating series of a variable u. For  $g \in \mathfrak{gl}_N$ , set  $g(u) = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} (g \otimes t^s) u^{-s-1}$ .

The subalgebra  $\mathfrak{z}_N[t] \subset \mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$  with basis  $\sum_{i=1}^N e_{ii} \otimes t^r$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , is central.

2.3. The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -modules  $\mathcal{V}^{\pm}$ . Let  $S_n$  be the permutation group on n elements. For an  $S_n$ -module M we denote by  $M^+$  (resp.  $M^-$ ) the subspace of  $S_n$ -invariants (resp. antiinvariants).

The group  $S_n$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}] := \mathbb{C}[z_1, \ldots, z_n]$  by permuting the variables. Denote by  $\sigma_s(\mathbf{z})$ ,  $s = 1, \ldots, n$ , the sth elementary symmetric polynomial in  $z_1, \ldots, z_n$ .

Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be the vector space of polynomials in variables  $\boldsymbol{z}$  with coefficients in  $V^{\otimes n}$ :

$$\mathcal{V} = V^{\otimes n} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}[oldsymbol{z}]$$
 .

The symmetric group  $S_n$  acts on  $\mathcal{V}$  by permuting the factors of  $V^{\otimes n}$  and the variables  $\boldsymbol{z}$  simultaneously,

$$\sigma(v_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes v_n \otimes p(z_1, \ldots, z_n)) = v_{(\sigma^{-1})_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes v_{(\sigma^{-1})_n} \otimes p(z_{\sigma_1}, \ldots, z_{\sigma_n}), \quad \sigma \in S_n.$$

We are interested in the subspaces  $\mathcal{V}^+, \mathcal{V}^- \subset \mathcal{V}$  of  $S_n$ -invariants and antiinvariants.

The space  $\mathcal{V}$  is a  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module,

$$g\otimes t^r\left(v_1\otimes\cdots\otimes v_n\otimes p(oldsymbol{z})
ight)\,=\,\sum_{s=1}^n v_1\otimes\cdots\otimes gv_s\otimes\cdots\otimes v_n\otimes z_s^r p(oldsymbol{z})\,.$$

The image of the subalgebra  $U(\mathfrak{z}_N[t]) \subset U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$  in  $\operatorname{End}(\mathcal{V})$  is the algebra of operators of multiplication by elements of  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}]^+$ . The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -action on  $\mathcal{V}$  commutes with the  $S_n$ -action. Hence,  $\mathcal{V}^+$  and  $\mathcal{V}^-$  are  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -submodules of  $\mathcal{V}$ . The subspaces  $\mathcal{V}^+$  and  $\mathcal{V}^-$  are free  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}]^+$ -modules of rank  $N^n$ .

Consider the  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -weight decompositions

$$\mathcal{V}^+ = \oplus_{oldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Z}^N_{\geqslant 0}, |oldsymbol{\lambda}| = n} \mathcal{V}^+_{oldsymbol{\lambda}}, \qquad \mathcal{V}^- = \oplus_{oldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Z}^N_{\geqslant 0}, |oldsymbol{\lambda}| = n} \mathcal{V}^-_{oldsymbol{\lambda}}.$$

For any  $\lambda$ , the subspaces  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+$ , and  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^-$  are free  $\mathbb{C}[z]^+$ -modules of rank  $d_{\lambda}$ .

Denote by  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-$  the vector space of all  $V^{\otimes n}$ -valued rational functions of the form  $\frac{1}{D}x$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{V}^-, D = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (z_j - z_i)$ . The Shapovalov form induces a  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^+$ -bilinear map

$$\mathcal{S}_{+-}: \mathcal{V}^+ \otimes \frac{1}{D} \mathcal{V}^- \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^+.$$

The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module structures on  $\mathcal{V}^+$  and  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-$  are contravariantly related through the Shapovalov form,

$$\mathcal{S}_{+-}\big((e_{ij}\otimes t^r)x,\frac{1}{D}y\big) = \mathcal{S}_{+-}\big(x,(e_{ji}\otimes t^r)\frac{1}{D}y\big) \quad \text{for all } i,j,x,y.$$

2.4. Bethe algebra. Given an  $N \times N$  matrix A with possibly noncommuting entries  $a_{ii}$ , we define its row determinant to be

rdet 
$$A = \sum_{\sigma \in S_N} (-1)^{\sigma} a_{1\sigma(1)} a_{2\sigma(2)} \dots a_{N\sigma(N)}$$
.

Let  $K = (K_1, \ldots, K_N)$  be a sequence of distinct complex numbers. Let  $\partial$  be the operator of differentiation in a variable u. Define the universal differential operator  $\mathcal{D}^K$  by

$$\mathcal{D}^{K} = \operatorname{rdet} \begin{pmatrix} \partial - K_{1} - e_{11}(u) & -e_{21}(u) & \dots & -e_{N1}(u) \\ -e_{12}(u) & \partial - K_{2} - e_{22}(u) & \dots & -e_{N2}(u) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ -e_{1N}(u) & -e_{2N}(u) & \dots & \partial - K_{N} - e_{NN}(u) \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is a differential operator in the variable u, whose coefficients are formal power series in  $u^{-1}$  with coefficients in  $U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]),$ 

$$\mathcal{D}^K = \partial^N + \sum_{i=1}^N B_i^K(u) \,\partial^{N-i}, \qquad B_i^K(u) = \sum_{j=0}^\infty B_{ij}^K \, u^{-j}$$

and  $B_{ij}^K \in U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$  for  $i = 1, ..., N, j \ge 0$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{B}^K$  the unital subalgebra of  $U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$  generated by  $B_{ij}^K$ , with i = 1, ..., N,  $j \ge 0$ . The subalgebra  $\mathcal{B}^K$  is called the Bethe algebra with parameters K.

**Theorem 2.1** ([T], [CT], [MTV1]). The algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K$  is commutative. The algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K$  commutes with the subalgebra  $U(\mathfrak{h}) \subset U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$ . If K = 0, then the algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}$  commutes with the subalgebra  $U(\mathfrak{gl}_N) \subset U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]).$ 

Each element  $B_{ij}^K$  is a polynomial in  $K_1, \ldots, K_N$ . We define  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}$  to be the unital subalgebra of  $U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$  generated by the leading terms of the elements  $B_{ij}^K$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, N, j \ge 0$ , as K tends to infinity so that  $K_i/K_{i+1} \to \infty$  for all *i*.

**Lemma 2.2.** The algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}$  is the unital subalgebra generated by the elements  $e_{ii} \otimes t^{j}$  with  $i = 1, \ldots, N, \ j \ge 0.$ 

*Proof.* We have  $B_{i0}^K = (-1)^i K_1 \dots K_i (1 + o(1))$ , and

$$B_{ij}^{K} = (-1)^{i} K_{1} \dots K_{i-1} \left( \sum_{m=i}^{N} e_{mm} \otimes t^{j-1} + o(1) \right)$$

for j > 0, where o(1) stands for the terms vanishing as K tends to infinity.

**Remark.** There are N! asymptotic zones labeled by elements of  $S_N$  in which K may tend to infinity. For  $\sigma \in S_N$  we may assume that all coordinates of K tend to infinity and  $K_{\sigma_i}/K_{\sigma_{i+1}} \to \infty$  for all i. It is easy to see that the limiting Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}$  does not depend on  $\sigma$ .

The algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}$  is commutative and contains  $U(\mathfrak{z}_N[t])$ . The algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}$  commutes with the subalgebra  $U(\mathfrak{h}) \subset U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$ .

As a subalgebra of  $U(\mathfrak{gl}_N[t])$ , the Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^K$  acts on any  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module M. Since  $\mathcal{B}^K$  commutes with  $U(\mathfrak{h})$ , it preserves the weight subspaces  $M_{\lambda}$ . If K = 0, then  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}$  preserves the singular weight subspaces  $M_{\lambda}^{sing}$ . We will study the action of  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}$  on the weight subspaces  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^-$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** The element  $\sum_{i=1}^{N} e_{ii} \otimes t^r \in U(\mathfrak{z}_N[t])$  acts on  $\mathcal{V}$  as the operator of multiplication by  $\sum_{s=1}^{n} z_s^r$ .

If  $L \subset M$  is a  $\mathcal{B}^{K}$ -invariant subspace, then the image of  $\mathcal{B}^{K}$  in  $\operatorname{End}(L)$  will be called the Bethe algebra of H and denoted by  $\mathcal{B}^{K}(L)$ .

#### 3. Equivariant cohomology of partial flag varieties

3.1. Partial flag varieties. For  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^N$ ,  $|\lambda| = n$ , consider the partial flag variety  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$  parametrizing subspaces

$$0 = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \cdots \subset F_N = \mathbb{C}^n$$

with dim  $F_i/F_{i-1} = \lambda_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, N$ .

Let  $T^n \subset GL_n$  be the torus of diagonal matrices. The groups  $T^n \subset GL_n(\mathbb{C})$  act on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and hence on  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$ . The fixed points  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}^{T^n}$  of the torus action are the coordinate flags  $F_I = (F_0 \subset \cdots \subset F_N), \ I = (I_1, \ldots, I_N) \in \mathcal{I}_{\lambda}$ , where  $F_i$  is the span of the basis vectors  $v_j \in \mathbb{C}^n$  with  $j \in I_1 \cup \cdots \cup I_i$ . The fixed points are in a one-to-one correspondence with the set  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda}$  and hence with the basis in  $V_{\lambda}$ .

We consider the  $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ -equivariant cohomology

$$H_{\lambda} = H^*_{GL_n}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}, \mathbb{C}).$$

Denote by  $\Gamma_i = \{\gamma_{i1}, \ldots, \gamma_{i\lambda_i}\}$  the set of the Chern roots of the bundle over  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$  with fiber  $F_i/F_{i-1}$ . Denote by  $\boldsymbol{z} = \{z_1, \ldots, z_n\}$  the Chern roots corresponding to the factors of the torus  $T^n$ . Then

(3.1) 
$$H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} = \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}; \Gamma_1; \dots; \Gamma_N]^{S_N \times S_{\lambda_1} \times \dots \times S_{\lambda_N}} / \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^{\lambda_i} (1 + u\gamma_{ij}) = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + uz_i) \right\rangle.$$

The cohomology  $H_{\lambda}$  is a module over  $H^*_{GL_n}(pt, \mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}]^+$ .

Let  $J_H \subset H_{\lambda}$  be the ideal generated by the polynomials  $\sigma_i(\boldsymbol{z})$ , i = 1, ..., n. Then  $H_{\lambda}/J_H = H^*(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}, \mathbb{C})$ .

3.2. Integration over  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}$ . We will need the integration map  $\int : H_{\lambda} \to H^*_{GL_n}(pt, \mathbb{C})$ . The following formula (3.2) gives the integration map in terms of the fixed point set  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}^{T^n}$ .

For a subset  $A \subset \{1, \ldots, N\}$  denote  $\boldsymbol{z}_A = \{z_a, a \in A\}$ . For  $I = (I_1, \ldots, I_N) \in \mathcal{I}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$  denote

$$R(\boldsymbol{z}_{I_1}|\boldsymbol{z}_{I_2}|\ldots|\boldsymbol{z}_{I_m}) = \prod_{i < j} \prod_{a \in I_i, b \in I_j} (z_b - z_a).$$

The Atiyah-Bott equivariant localization theorem [AB] says that for any  $[h(\boldsymbol{z}, \Gamma_1, \ldots, \Gamma_N)] \in H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$ ,

(3.2) 
$$\int [h] = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\lambda}} \frac{h(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_N})}{R(\boldsymbol{z}_{I_1} | \boldsymbol{z}_{I_2} | \dots | \boldsymbol{z}_{I_N})}$$

Clearly, the right hand side in (3.2) lies in  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}]^+$ . The integration map induces the pairing

$$(\,,)\,:\,H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}\otimes H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}\to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^+,\qquad [h]\otimes [g]\mapsto \int [hg].$$

After factorization by the ideal  $J_H$  we obtain the nondegenerate Poincare pairing

 $(,): H^*(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda},\mathbb{C})\otimes H^*(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda},\mathbb{C}) \to \mathbb{C}.$ 

3.3.  $H_{\lambda}$  and  $\mathcal{V}^{\pm}$ .

Lemma 3.1. The maps

$$i_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{+}: H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} \to \mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{+}, \qquad [h(\boldsymbol{z}, \Gamma_{1}, \dots, \Gamma_{N})] \mapsto \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}} v_{I} \otimes h(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_{1}}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_{N}}),$$
$$i_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-}: H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} \to \frac{1}{D} \mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-}, \qquad [h(\boldsymbol{z}, \Gamma_{1}, \dots, \Gamma_{N})] \mapsto \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}} v_{I} \otimes \frac{h(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_{1}}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_{N}})}{R(\boldsymbol{z}_{I_{1}} | \boldsymbol{z}_{I_{2}} | \dots | \boldsymbol{z}_{I_{N}})}$$

are well-defined isomorphisms of  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}]^+$ -modules.

*Proof.* If h belongs to the ideal of relations in (3.1) then  $h(z, z_{I_1}, ..., z_{I_N}) = 0$  for any I, because the  $\Gamma_i = z_{I_i}$  substitution makes the generators of the ideal identities. This proves well-definedness.

Consider the  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^+$ -module  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^{S_{\lambda_1} \times \ldots \times S_{\lambda_N}}$  of polynomials symmetric in the first  $\lambda_1$  variables, the next  $\lambda_2$  variables, etc. In Schubert calculus it is known that this module is free of rank  $d_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$ , and that it is isomorphic to  $H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$  under the correspondence

(3.3) 
$$p \in \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}]^{S_{\lambda_1} \times \ldots \times S_{\lambda_N}} \iff [p(\Gamma_1, \ldots, \Gamma_N)] \in H_{\mathbf{\lambda}}$$

An element  $\sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\lambda}} v_I \otimes p_I(\boldsymbol{z})$  of  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+$ , if and only if  $p_I(\boldsymbol{z}) = p(z_{I_1}, \ldots, z_{I_N})$  for a polynomial  $p \in \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^{S_{\lambda_1} \times \ldots \times S_{\lambda_N}}$ . This shows that  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^{S_{\lambda_1} \times \ldots \times S_{\lambda_N}}$ , and that  $i_{\lambda}^+$  is the composition of this isomorphism with (3.3).

A similar argument shows that  $i_{\lambda}^{-}$  is also an isomorphism.

Corollary 3.2. The Shapovalov form and the Poincare pairing are related by the formula

$$S_{+-}(i_{+}[h], i_{-}[g]) = \int [h][g] .$$

Let A be a commutative algebra. The algebra A considered as an A-module is called the regular representation of A. Here is our main result.

#### Theorem 3.3.

- (i) The maps  $\xi_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\pm} : e_{ii} \otimes t^r |_{\mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\pm}} \mapsto \sum_{j=1}^{\lambda_i} \gamma_{ij}^r$  define isomorphisms of the algebras  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\pm})$ and  $H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$ .
- (ii) The maps  $\xi_{\lambda}^+$ ,  $i_{\lambda}^+$  identify the  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+)$ -module  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+$  with the regular representation of  $H_{\lambda}$ .
- (iii) The maps  $\xi_{\lambda}^{-}$ ,  $i_{\lambda}^{-}$  identify the  $\mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-})$ -module  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-}$  with the regular representation of  $H_{\lambda}$ .

The theorem follows from Lemmas 2.2, 2.3 and 3.1.

3.4. Cohomology as  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -modules. Let J be the ideal of  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{z}]^+$  generated by the elementary symmetric functions  $\sigma_i(\mathbf{z})$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ . Define  $J^+ = J\mathcal{V}^+$  and  $J^- = \frac{1}{D}J\mathcal{V}^-$ . Clearly,  $J^+$  is a  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -submodule of  $\mathcal{V}^+$  and  $J^-$  is a  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -submodule of  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-$ . The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module  $\mathcal{V}^+/J^+$  is graded and has dimension  $N^n$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ , see [MTV2]. Similarly,  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-/J^-$  is a graded  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module of the same dimension.

**Theorem 3.4.** The Shapovalov form establishes a nondegenerate pairing

$$\mathcal{S}_{+-}$$
 :  $\mathcal{V}^+/J^+ \otimes \frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-/J^- \to \mathbb{C}$ 

The theorem follows from Lemmas 3.1, 3.2 and the nondegeneracy of the Poincare pairing.

**Corollary 3.5.** The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -modules  $\mathcal{V}^+/J^+$  and  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-/J^-$  are contravariantly related through the Shapovalov form,  $\mathcal{S}_{+-}((e_{ij} \otimes t^r)x, \frac{1}{D}y) = \mathcal{S}_{+-}(x, (e_{ji} \otimes t^r)\frac{1}{D}y)$  for all i, j, x, y.

Let  $W_n$  be the  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module generated by a vector  $w_n$  with the defining relations:

$$e_{ii}(u)w_n = \delta_{1i} \frac{n}{u} w_n, \qquad i = 1, \dots, N,$$
  

$$e_{ij}(u)w_n = 0, \qquad \qquad 1 \le i < j \le N,$$
  

$$(e_{ji} \otimes 1)^{n\delta_{1i}+1}w_n = 0, \qquad \qquad 1 \le i < j \le N.$$

As an  $\mathfrak{sl}_N[t]$ -module, the module  $W_n$  is isomorphic to the Weyl module from [CL], [CP], corresponding to the weight  $n\omega_1$ , where  $\omega_1$  is the first fundamental weight of  $\mathfrak{sl}_N$ .

In [MTV2] an isomorphism of  $\mathcal{V}^+/J^+$  and the Weyl module  $W_n$  is constructed.

**Corollary 3.6.** The Shapovalov form  $S_{+-}$  establishes an isomorphism of  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-/J^-$  and the contravariantly dual of the Weyl module  $W_n$ .

Here is an application of this fact. For  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^N$ ,  $|\lambda| = n$ ,  $\lambda_1 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_N$ , denote

$$\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}/J^{-}\right)_{\lambda}^{sing} = \left\{ v \in \frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}/J^{-} \mid e_{ij}v = 0 \text{ for } i < j, \ e_{ii}v = \lambda_{i}v \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, N \right\}.$$

This is a graded space. Denote by  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}/J^{-}\right)_{\lambda}^{sing}\right)_{k}$  the subspace of all elements of  $\boldsymbol{z}$ -degree k. Define the graded character by the formula

$$\operatorname{ch}\left(\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}/J^{-}\right)_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{sing}\right) = \sum_{k} q^{k} \operatorname{dim}\left(\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}/J^{-}\right)_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{sing}\right)_{k}.$$

Corollary 3.7. We have

(3.4) 
$$\operatorname{ch}\left(\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}/J^{-}\right)_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{sing}\right) = \frac{(q)_{n} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (1 - q^{\lambda_{i} - \lambda_{j} + j - i})}{\prod_{i=1}^{N} (q)_{\lambda_{i} + N - i}} q^{-\sum_{i=1}^{N} (i-1)\lambda_{i}},$$

where  $(q)_a = \prod_{j=1}^{a} (1 - q^j)$ .

The corollary follows from Lemma 2.2 in [MTV2] and Corollary 3.6.

The isomorphisms

(3.5) 
$$i^{+} = \bigoplus_{\lambda} i^{+}_{\lambda} : \bigoplus_{\lambda} H_{\lambda} \to \mathcal{V}^{+}, \qquad i^{-} = \bigoplus_{\lambda} i^{-}_{\lambda} : \bigoplus_{\lambda} H_{\lambda} \to \frac{1}{D} \mathcal{V}^{-}$$

induce two graded  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module structures on  $\oplus_{\lambda} H_{\lambda}$  denoted by  $\rho^+$  and  $\rho^-$ , respectively. These module structures descend to two graded  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module structures on the cohomology with constant coefficients

$$H(\mathbb{C}) := \bigoplus_{\boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{N}, \, |\boldsymbol{\lambda}|=n} H^{*}(\mathcal{F}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}, \mathbb{C}) \,,$$

denoted by the same letters  $\rho^+$  and  $\rho^-$ .

**Corollary 3.8.** The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module  $H(\mathbb{C})$  with the  $\rho^+$ -structure is isomorphic to the Weyl module  $W_n$ . The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module  $H(\mathbb{C})$  with the  $\rho^-$ -structure is isomorphic to the contravariant dual of the Weyl module  $W_n$ .

The  $\rho^{\pm}$  structures can be defined topologically, see [RSV] and Appendix. The  $\rho^{-}$ -structure appears to be more preferable. It was used in [RV], [RSV] to construct conformal blocks in the tensor power  $V^{\otimes n}$ .

4. Isomorphisms  $i^{\pm}_{\lambda}$  as a geometric Langlands correspondence

4.1. The  $\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda}$  case. The following geometric description of the  $\mathcal{B}^{K}$ -action on  $\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda}$  was given in [MTV3] as an example of the geometric Langlands correspondence.

Let  $K = (K_1, \ldots, K_N)$  be a sequence of distinct complex numbers. Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^N$ ,  $|\lambda| = n$ . Introduce the polynomial algebras

$$\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}] := \mathbb{C}[\Sigma_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, N, j = 1, \dots, \lambda_i], \qquad \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] := \mathbb{C}[\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n].$$

Define

$$\Sigma_i(u) = e^{K_i u} \left( u^{\lambda_i} + \Sigma_{i1} u^{\lambda_i - 1} + \dots + \Sigma_{i\lambda_i} \right), \qquad i = 1, \dots, N.$$

For arbitrary functions  $g_1(u), \ldots, g_N(u)$ , introduce the Wronskian determinant by the formula

$$Wr(g_1(u), \dots, g_N(u)) = det \begin{pmatrix} g_1(u) & g'_1(u) & \dots & g_1^{(N-1)}(u) \\ g_2(u) & g'_2(u) & \dots & g_2^{(N-1)}(u) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ g_N(u) & g'_N(u) & \dots & g_N^{(N-1)}(u) \end{pmatrix}$$

We have

Wr
$$(\Sigma_1(u), \ldots, \Sigma_N(u)) = e^{\sum_{i=1}^N K_i u} \prod_{1 \le i < j \le N} (K_j - K_i) \cdot \left( u^n + \sum_{s=1}^n (-1)^s A_s^K(\Sigma) u^{n-s} \right),$$

where  $A_1^K(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}), \ldots, A_n^K(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \in \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . Define an algebra homomorphism

$$\mathcal{W}^K: \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}], \qquad \sigma_s \mapsto A_s^K(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}).$$

The homomorphism defines a  $\mathbb{C}[\sigma]$ -module structure on  $\mathbb{C}[\Sigma]$ .

Define a differential operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\Sigma}^{K}$  by

$$\mathcal{D}_{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}^{K} = \frac{1}{\operatorname{Wr}(\Sigma_{1}(u), \dots, \Sigma_{N}(u))} \operatorname{rdet} \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{1}(u) & \Sigma_{1}'(u) & \dots & \Sigma_{1}^{(N)}(u) \\ \Sigma_{2}(u) & \Sigma_{2}'(u) & \dots & \Sigma_{2}^{(N)}(u) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 1 & \partial & \dots & \partial^{N} \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is a differential operator in the variable u, whose coefficients are formal power series in  $u^{-1}$  with coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ ,

(4.1) 
$$\mathcal{D}_{\Sigma}^{K} = \partial^{N} + \sum_{i=1}^{N} F_{i}^{K}(u) \partial^{N-i}, \qquad F_{i}^{K}(u) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} F_{ij}^{K} u^{-j},$$

and  $F_{ij}^K \in \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}], \ i = 1, \dots, N, \ j \ge 0.$ 

Theorem 4.1 ([MTV3]). The map

$$\tau_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{K+} : B_{ij}^{K}|_{\mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{+}} \mapsto F_{ij}^{K}$$

defines an isomorphism of the Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{K}(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{+})$  and the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . The isomorphism  $\tau_{\lambda}^{K+}$  becomes an isomorphism of the  $U(\mathfrak{z}_{N}[t])|_{\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{+}}$ -module  $\mathcal{B}^{K}(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{+})$  and the  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}]$ -module  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$  if we identify the algebras  $U(\mathfrak{z}_{N}[t])|_{\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{+}}$  and  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}]$  by the map  $.\sigma_{s}[\boldsymbol{z}] \mapsto \sigma_{s}, \ s = 1, \ldots, n$ .

Denote

$$v^+ = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\lambda}} v_I \in \mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^+.$$

Theorem 4.2 ([MTV3]). The map

$$\mu_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{K+} : B_{ij}^{K} v^{+} \mapsto F_{ij}^{K},$$

defines a linear isomorphism  $\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda} \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . The maps  $\tau^{K+}_{\lambda}, \mu^{K+}_{\lambda}$  give an isomorphism of the  $\mathcal{B}^K(\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda})$ -module  $\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda}$  and the regular representation of the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ .

4.2. The limit of  $\tau_{\lambda}^{K+}$  and  $\mu_{\lambda}^{K+}$  as  $K \to \infty$ . Let all the coordinates of the vector K tend to infinity so that  $K_i/K_{i+1} \to \infty$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, N-1$ . Then the homomorphism  $\mathcal{W}^K$  has a limit  $\mathcal{W}^{\infty}$ . Namely, define  $A_s^{\infty}(\Sigma)$  by the formula

$$\prod_{i=1}^{N} \left( u^{\lambda_i} + \Sigma_{i1} u^{\lambda_i - 1} + \dots + \Sigma_{i\lambda_i} \right) = u^n + \sum_{s=1}^{n} \left( -1 \right)^s A_s^{\infty}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) u^{n-s}.$$

Then

(4.2)  $\mathcal{W}^{\infty}: \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}], \quad \sigma_i \mapsto A_s^{\infty}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}).$ 

Define algebra isomorphisms

(4.3) 
$$\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^+, \quad \eta : \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}] \to H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}},$$

by the agreement that the first isomorphism sends  $\sigma_s$  to  $\sigma_s(z)$  for all s, and the second one sends  $(-1)^s \Sigma_{is}$  to the *s*th elementary symmetric function of  $\gamma_{i1}, \ldots, \gamma_{i\lambda_i}$  for all i, s.

**Lemma 4.3.** The isomorphisms (4.3) identify the  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}]$ -module  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$  defined by formula (4.2) and the  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{z}]^+$ -module  $H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$ .

Let 
$$p_i(u) = u^{\lambda_i} + \sum_{i1} u^{\lambda_i - 1} + \dots + \sum_{i\lambda_i}$$
 for all  $i = 1, \dots N$ . Notice that

(4.4) 
$$\eta(p_i(u)) = \prod_{j=1}^{\lambda_i} (u - \gamma_{ij}), \qquad \eta\left(\frac{p'_i(u)}{p_i(u)}\right) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\lambda_i} \gamma_{ij}^r u^{-r-1}.$$

**Lemma 4.4.** We have  $F_{i0}^K = (-1)^i K_1 \dots K_i (1 + o(1))$ , and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} F_{ij}^{K} u^{-j} = (-1)^{i} K_{1} \dots K_{i-1} \left( \sum_{m=i}^{N} \frac{p'_{m}(u)}{p_{m}(u)} + o(1) \right),$$

where o(1) stands for the terms vanishing as K tends to infinity.

*Proof.* Let  $y_i(u) = Wr(\Sigma_i(u), \ldots, \Sigma_N(u))$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, N$ . Then the operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\Sigma}^K$  can be factorized:

(4.5) 
$$\mathcal{D}_{\Sigma}^{K} = \left(\partial - \frac{y_{1}'(u)}{y_{1}(u)} + \frac{y_{2}'(u)}{y_{2}(u)}\right) \dots \left(\partial - \frac{y_{N-1}'(u)}{y_{N-1}(u)} + \frac{y_{N}'(u)}{y_{N}(u)}\right) \left(\partial - \frac{y_{N}'(u)}{y_{N}(u)}\right).$$

Since  $y_i(u) = (-1)^{(N-i)(N-i-1)/2} K_i^{N-i} \dots K_{N-1} (p_i(u) \dots p_N(u) + o(1)) e^{\sum_{m=i}^N K_m u}$  as K tends to infinity, the claim follows from formulae (4.1) and (4.5).

# Theorem 4.5.

- (i) The map  $\eta \circ \tau_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{K+} : \mathcal{B}^{K}(\mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{+}) \to H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$  tends to the isomorphism  $\xi_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{+} : \mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{+}) \to H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$ , see Theorem 3.3, as K tends to infinity.
- (ii) The map  $\eta \circ \mu_{\lambda}^{K+} : \mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{+} \to H_{\lambda}$  tends to the isomorphism  $(i_{\lambda}^{+})^{-1} : \mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{+} \to H_{\lambda}$ , see Lemma 3.1, as K tends to infinity.

*Proof.* The statement follows from the definitions of the maps, Lemma 4.4, formulae (4.4), and the proof of Lemma 2.2.

4.3. The  $\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-}$  case. Theorem 3.4 allows us to establish a geometric description of the  $\mathcal{B}^{K}$ -action on  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}$  which is analogous to the description of the  $\mathcal{B}^{K}$ -action on  $\mathcal{V}^{+}$ .

Theorem 4.6. The map

$$\tau^{K-}_{\pmb{\lambda}} \, : \, B^K_{ij}|_{\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-_{\pmb{\lambda}}} \, \mapsto \, F^K_{ij}$$

defines an isomorphism of the Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{K}(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-})$  and the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . The isomorphism  $\tau_{\lambda}^{K^{-}}$  becomes an isomorphism of the  $U(\mathfrak{z}_{N}[t])|_{\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-}}$ -module  $\mathcal{B}^{K}(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-})$  and the  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}]$ -module  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$  if we identify the algebras  $U(\mathfrak{z}_{N}[t])|_{\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-}}$  and  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}]$  by the map  $\sigma_{s}[\boldsymbol{z}] \mapsto \sigma_{s}$ ,  $s = 1, \ldots, n$ .

Denote

$$v^- = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\lambda}} v_I \otimes rac{1}{R(\boldsymbol{z}_{I_1} | \boldsymbol{z}_{I_2} | \dots | \boldsymbol{z}_{I_N})} \in rac{1}{D} \mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^-.$$

Theorem 4.7. The map

$$\mu_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{K-} : B_{ij}^{K} v^{-} \mapsto F_{ij}^{K},$$

defines a linear isomorphism  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-} \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . The maps  $\tau_{\lambda}^{K-}, \mu_{\lambda}^{K-}$  give an isomorphism of the  $\mathcal{B}^{K}(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-})$ -module  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-}$  and the regular representation of the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ .

The proofs of Theorems 4.6 and 4.7 are basically word by word the same as the proofs of Theorems 4.1 and 4.2 in [MTV3].

It is interesting to note that the element  $v^-$  becomes a conformal block under certain conditions and satisfies a KZ equation with respect to  $\boldsymbol{z}$ , see [V], [RV], [RSV].

4.4. The limit of  $\tau_{\lambda}^{K^-}$  and  $\mu_{\lambda}^{K^-}$  as  $K \to \infty$ . Let all the coordinates of the vector K tend to infinity so that  $K_i/K_{i+1} \to \infty$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, N-1$ .

## Theorem 4.8.

- (i) The map  $\eta \circ \tau_{\lambda}^{K-} : \mathcal{B}^{K}(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-}) \to H_{\lambda}$  tends to the isomorphism  $\xi_{\lambda}^{-} : \mathcal{B}^{\infty}(\mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-}) \to H_{\lambda}$ , see Theorem 3.3, as K tends to infinity.
- (ii) The map  $\eta \circ \mu_{\lambda}^{K-} : \mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-} \to H_{\lambda}$  tends to the isomorphism  $(i_{\lambda}^{-})^{-1} : \mathcal{V}_{\lambda}^{-} \to H_{\lambda}$ , see Lemma 3.1, as K tends to infinity.

The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 4.5.

4.5. The  $(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-})^{sing}_{\lambda}$  case. Formula (3.4) for the graded character of  $(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}/J^{-})^{sing}_{\lambda}$  is the analog of the formula for the graded character of  $(\mathcal{V}^{+}/J^{+})^{sing}_{\lambda}$  in [MTV2]. The latter formula was used in [MTV2] to obtain a geometric description of the  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}$ -action on  $(\mathcal{V}^{+})^{sing}_{\lambda}$ . Using formula (3.4) we can obtain a similar geometric description of the  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}$ -action on  $(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-})^{sing}_{\lambda}$ .

Let  $\boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^N$ ,  $\lambda_1 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_N$ ,  $|\boldsymbol{\lambda}| = n$ . Introduce  $P = \{d_1, \ldots, d_N\}$ ,  $d_i = \lambda_i + \bar{N} - i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, N$ . Let

$$\Sigma_i(u) = u^{d_i} + \sum_{j=1, d_i - j \notin P} \Sigma_{ij} u^{d_i - j}.$$

Consider the polynomial algebras

$$\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}] := \mathbb{C}[\Sigma_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, N, j \in \{1, \dots, d_i\}, d_i - j \notin P], \qquad \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] := \mathbb{C}[\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n].$$

We have

Wr(
$$\Sigma_1(u),\ldots,\Sigma_N(u)$$
) =  $\prod_{1\leqslant i< j\leqslant N} (d_j-d_i) \cdot \left(u^n + \sum_{s=1}^n (-1)^s A_s(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) u^{n-s}\right),$ 

where  $A_1(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}), \ldots, A_n(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \in \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . Define an algebra homomorphism

$$\mathcal{W}: \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}], \qquad \sigma_s \mapsto A_s(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}).$$

The homomorphism defines a  $\mathbb{C}[\sigma]$ -module structure on  $\mathbb{C}[\Sigma]$ . Define a differential operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\Sigma}$  by

$$\mathcal{D}_{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \frac{1}{\operatorname{Wr}(\Sigma_1(u), \dots, \Sigma_N(u))} \operatorname{rdet} \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1(u) & \Sigma_1'(u) & \dots & \Sigma_1^{(N)}(u) \\ \Sigma_2(u) & \Sigma_2'(u) & \dots & \Sigma_2^{(N)}(u) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 1 & \partial & \dots & \partial^N \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is a differential operator in the variable u, whose coefficients are formal power series in  $u^{-1}$  with coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ ,

$$\mathcal{D}_{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \partial^N + \sum_{i=1}^N F_i(u) \,\partial^{N-i}, \qquad F_i(u) = \sum_{j=i}^\infty F_{ij} \, u^{-j},$$

and  $F_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}], \ i = 1, \dots, N, \ j \ge i.$ 

Theorem 4.9. The map

$$\tau_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-} : B_{ij}^{K=0}|_{(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-})_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{sing}} \mapsto F_{ij}$$

defines an isomorphism of the Bethe algebra  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}\left(\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}\right)^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}\right)$  and the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . The isomorphism  $\tau_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-}$  becomes an isomorphism of the  $U(\mathfrak{z}_{N}[t])|_{\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}\right)^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}}$ -module  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}\left(\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}\right)^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}\right)$  and the  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}]$ -module  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$  if we identify the algebras  $U(\mathfrak{z}_{N}[t])|_{\left(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-}\right)^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}}$  and  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}]$  by the map  $\sigma_{s}[\boldsymbol{z}] \mapsto \sigma_{s}, \ s = 1, \ldots, n.$ 

Fix a vector  $v^- \in (\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-)^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$  of degree  $\sum_{i=1}^N (1-i)\lambda_i$ . By formula (3.4) such a vector is unique up to proportionality.

Theorem 4.10. The map

$$\mu_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^-: B_{ij}^{K=0}v^- \mapsto F_{ij},$$

defines a linear isomorphism  $(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-})^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} \to \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ . The maps  $\tau_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-}, \mu_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-}$  give an isomorphism of the  $\mathcal{B}^{K=0}\left((\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-})^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}\right)$ -module  $(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^{-})^{sing}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$  and the regular representation of the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]$ .

The proofs of Theorems 4.9 and 4.10 are word by word the same as the proofs of Theorems 5.3 and 5.6 in [MTV2].

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#### 5. Relations with quantum cohomology

In lectures [O] Okounkov, in particular, considers the equivariant quantum cohomology  $QH_{GL_n\times\mathbb{C}^*}(T^*F_{\lambda})$  of the cotangent bundle  $T^*F_{\lambda}$  of a flag variety  $F_{\lambda}$ . More precisely, he considers the standard equivariant cohomology  $H^*_{GL_n\times\mathbb{C}^*}(T^*F_{\lambda})$  as a module over the algebra of quantum multiplication and described this module as the Yangian Bethe algebra of the XXX model associated with  $V^{\otimes n}$ .

The algebra  $H^*_{GL_n \times \mathbb{C}^*}(T^*F_{\lambda})$  has n+1 equivariant parameters  $z_1, \ldots, z_n, u$ . The parameters  $z_1, \ldots, z_n$  correspond to the  $GL_n$ -action on  $T^*F_{\lambda}$  and u corresponds of the  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action on  $T^*F_{\lambda}$  stretching the cotangent vectors. The operators of quantum multiplication depend on additional parameters  $q_1, \ldots, q_N$  corresponding to quantum deformation.

It is well-known how the Yangian Bethe algebra degenerates into the Gaudin Bethe algebra, see for example [T], [MTV1]. This degeneration construction gives us the following fact. Introduce new parameters  $K_1, \ldots, K_N$  by the formula  $q_i = 1 + K_i u, i = 1, \ldots, N$ , and consider the limit of the algebra of quantum multiplication on  $H^*_{GL_n \times \mathbb{C}^*}(T^*F_{\lambda})$  as  $u \to 0$ . Then this limit is isomorphic to the  $\mathcal{B}^K(\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda})$ -module  $\mathcal{V}^+_{\lambda}$ . This limit is also isomorphic to the  $\mathcal{B}^K(\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-_{\lambda})$ -module  $\frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}^-_{\lambda}$ .

# Appendix: Topological description of the $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module structure on the cohomology of flag manifolds

Given  $\boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^N$  define

$$e_{a,a+1}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{a-1}, \lambda_a + 1, \lambda_{a+1} - 1, \lambda_{a+2}, \dots, \lambda_N),$$
  

$$e_{a+1,a}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{a-1}, \lambda_a - 1, \lambda_{a+1} + 1, \lambda_{a+2}, \dots, \lambda_N),$$
  

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}' = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{a-1}, \lambda_a, 1, \lambda_{a+1} - 1, \lambda_{a+2}, \dots, \lambda_N),$$
  

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}'' = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{a-1}, \lambda_a - 1, 1, \lambda_{a+1}, \lambda_{a+2}, \dots, \lambda_N).$$

Let A' (resp. B', C') be the rank  $\lambda_a$  (resp. rank 1,  $\lambda_{a+1} - 1$ ) bundle over  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda'}$  whose fiber over the flag  $L_1 \subset \ldots \subset L_{N+1}$  is  $L_a/L_{a-1}$  (resp.  $L_{a+1}/L_a$ ,  $L_{a+2}/L_{a+1}$ ). Let A'' (resp. B'', C'') be the rank  $\lambda_a - 1$  (resp. rank 1,  $\lambda_{a+1}$ ) bundle over  $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda''}$  whose fiber over the flag  $L_1 \subset \ldots \subset L_{N+1}$  is  $L_a/L_{a-1}$  (resp.  $L_{a+1}/L_a$ ,  $L_{a+2}/L_{a+1}$ ).

Consider the obvious projections

$$\mathcal{F}_{\lambda} \xleftarrow{\pi'_1} \mathcal{F}_{\lambda'} \xrightarrow{\pi'_2} \mathcal{F}_{e_{a,a+1}\lambda} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F}_{\lambda} \xleftarrow{\pi''_1} \mathcal{F}_{\lambda''} \xrightarrow{\pi''_2} \mathcal{F}_{e_{a+1,a}\lambda}.$$

For an equivariant map f (eg.  $f = \pi'_1$  or  $\pi''_1$ ) the induced pull-back map on equivariant cohomology will be denoted by  $f^*$ . For an equivariant fibration f (eg.  $f = \pi'_2$  or  $\pi''_2$ ) its Gysin map (a.k.a. *push-forward* map, or *integration along the fibers* map) will be denoted by  $f_*$ . The equivariant Euler class of a vector bundle X will be denoted by e(X). The following theorem was announced in [RSV].

#### Theorem A.1.

(i) The map 
$$\rho^{-}(e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^{j}) : H_{\lambda} \to H_{e_{a,a+1}\lambda}$$
  
$$x \mapsto \pi'_{2*} \Big( \pi'^{*}_{1}(x) \cdot e \big( \operatorname{Hom}(B', C') \big) \cdot e(B')^{j} \Big)$$

makes the diagram

$$\begin{array}{cccc} H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} & \xrightarrow{\rho^{-}(e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^{j})} & H_{e_{a,a+1}\boldsymbol{\lambda}} \\ & \downarrow^{i^{-}} & & \downarrow^{i^{-}} \\ & \frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-} & \xrightarrow{e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^{j}} & \frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{e_{a,a+1}\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-} \end{array}$$

commutative.

(ii) The map  $\rho^{-}(e_{a+1,a} \otimes t^{j}) : H_{\lambda} \to H_{e_{a+1,a}\lambda}$ 

$$x \mapsto \pi_{2*}'' \Big( \pi_1''^*(x) \cdot e \big( \operatorname{Hom}(A'', B'') \big) \cdot e(B'')^j \Big)$$

makes the diagram

$$\begin{array}{cccc} H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} & \xrightarrow{\rho^{-}(e_{a+1,a} \otimes t^{j})} & H_{e_{a+1,a}\boldsymbol{\lambda}} \\ & \downarrow^{i^{-}} & & \downarrow^{i^{-}} \\ & \frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-} & \xrightarrow{e_{a+1,a} \otimes t^{j}} & \frac{1}{D}\mathcal{V}_{e_{a+1,a}\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-} \end{array}$$

commutative.

Proof. We will prove part (i), the proof of part (ii) is similar. Let K be the index in  $\mathcal{I}_{e_{a,a+1}\lambda}$  with  $K_1 = \{1, \ldots, (e_{a,a+1}\lambda)_1\}, K_2 = \{(e_{a,a+1}\lambda)_1 + 1, \ldots, (e_{a,a+1}\lambda)_1 + (e_{a,a+1}\lambda)_2\}$ , etc. Consider  $x = [h(\boldsymbol{z}, \Gamma_1, \ldots, \Gamma_N)] \in H_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}$ . Its *i*<sup>-</sup>-image is

$$\sum_{I\in\mathcal{I}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}} v_I \otimes rac{h(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{I_N})}{R(\boldsymbol{z}_{I_1}|\dots|\boldsymbol{z}_{I_N})} \ .$$

The coefficient of  $v_K$  of the  $e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^j$ -image of this is

(A.1) 
$$\sum_{i \in K_{a}} \frac{h(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{1}}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a-1}}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a-i}}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a+1} \cup i}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a+2}}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{N}}) z_{i}^{j}}{R(\boldsymbol{z}_{K_{1}}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a-1}}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a-i}}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a+1} \cup i}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a+2}}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{N}})} = \frac{1}{R(\boldsymbol{z}_{K_{1}}|\dots|\boldsymbol{z}_{K_{N}})} \sum_{i \in K_{a}} \frac{h(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{1}}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a-i}}, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a+1} \cup i}, \dots, \boldsymbol{z}_{K_{N}}) z_{i}^{j} R(z_{i}|\boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a+1}})}{R(\boldsymbol{z}_{K_{a-i}}, z_{i})}.$$

On the other hand, the  $\rho^{-}(e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^{j})$ -image of x (using a version of the Atiyah-Bott localization formula for  $\pi'_{2*}$ ) is

$$\sum_{\delta \in \Delta_a} \frac{h(\boldsymbol{z}, \Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_{a-1}, \Delta_a - \delta, \delta, \Delta_{a+1}, \dots, \Delta_N) R(\delta | \Delta_{a+1}) \delta^j}{R(\Delta_a - \delta | \delta)},$$

where we denoted the Chern roots of the natural bundles over  $\mathcal{F}_{e_{a,a+1}\lambda}$  by  $\Delta_1, \ldots, \Delta_N$ . The coefficient of  $v_K$  of its *i*<sup>-</sup>-image is (A.1). Thus the theorem is proved.

The topological interpretation of generators of the  $\rho^+$ -representation is similar, its proof is left to the reader.

#### Theorem A.2.

(i) For the map 
$$\rho^+(e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^j) : H_{\lambda} \to H_{e_{a,a+1}\lambda}$$
  
 $x \mapsto \pi'_{2*} \left( \pi'^*_1(x) \cdot e(\operatorname{Hom}(A', B')) \cdot e(B')^j \right)$   
we have  $i^+ \circ \rho^+(e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^j) = (e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^j) \circ i^+.$   
(ii) For the map  $\rho^+(e_{a+1,a} \otimes t^j) : H_{\lambda} \to H_{e_{a+1,a}\lambda}$   
 $x \mapsto \pi''_{2*} \left( \pi''^*_1(x) \cdot e(\operatorname{Hom}(B'', C'')) \cdot e(B'')^j \right)$   
we have  $i^+ \circ \rho^+(e_{a+1,a} \otimes t^j) = (e_{a+1,a} \otimes t^j) \circ i^+.$ 

The  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module structures  $\rho^{\pm}$  on  $\bigoplus_{\lambda} H_{\lambda}$  descend to  $\mathfrak{gl}_N[t]$ -module structures on  $H(\mathbb{C})$ , also denoted by  $\rho^{\pm}$  in Section 3.4. The topological interpretation of the actions of  $e_{a,a+1} \otimes t^j$ and  $e_{a+1,a} \otimes t^j$  for these representations is the same as that for  $\bigoplus_{\lambda} H_{\lambda}$  given in Theorems A.1 and A.2.

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