

## COHERENCE ISOMORPHISMS FOR TRIANGULATED HOPF CATEGORY $SL(2)$

*We construct examples of coherence isomorphisms for a triangulated Hopf category related to  $SL(2)$ . It is an equivariant derived category equipped with multiplication and comultiplication functors and structure isomorphisms.*

### 1. Introduction

Crane and Frenkel proposed a notion of a Hopf category [2]. It was motivated by Lusztig's approach to quantum groups — his theory of canonical bases. In particular, Lusztig obtains braided deformations  $U_q n_+$  of universal enveloping algebras  $Un_+$  for some nilpotent Lie algebras  $n_+$  together with canonical bases of these braided Hopf algebras [3,4,5]. The elements of the canonical basis are identified with isomorphism classes of simple perverse sheaves — certain objects of equivariant derived categories. They are contained in a semisimple abelian category of semisimple complexes. One of the proposals of Crane and Frenkel is to study this category rather than its Grothendieck ring  $U_q n_+$ . Conjectural properties of this category were collected into a system of axioms of a Hopf category, equipped with functors of multiplication and comultiplication, isomorphisms of associativity, coassociativity and coherence which satisfy four equations [2].

Crane and Frenkel [2] gave an example of a Hopf category resembling the semisimple category encountered in Lusztig's theory corresponding to one-dimensional Lie algebra  $n_+$  — nilpotent subalgebra of  $SL(2)$ . We want to discuss an example of a related notion — triangulated Hopf category — the whole equivariant derived category equipped with multiplication and comultiplication functors and structure isomorphisms. In particular, it is a monoidal category. The new feature of coherence is that additive relations of [2] are replaced with distinguished triangles. This new structure does not induce a Hopf category structure of Crane and Frenkel on a subcategory of semi-simple complexes. The missing component is a consistent choice of splitting of splittable triangles. Verification of some of the consistency equations is still an open question.

In the present paper we shall discuss coherence at the category level. If one replaces linear mappings in bialgebra axiom with functors and  $\Sigma$  with  $\oplus$  the equation fails: the left and the right hand side functors are, in general, not isomorphic. (Restricted to the constant sheaf they give, however, isomorphic results.) One of the results of the present paper is the following. The value of the left hand side functor on an object  $X$  of is a repeated extension of the values on  $X$  of summands in the right hand side in the sense of distinguished triangles. Precise analogy is as follows: a sheaf  $S$  on a topological space  $W$  is an extension of its quotient-sheaf  $S_F$  supported on closed subset  $F$  by subsheaf  $S_U$  supported on its open complement  $U = W - F$ .

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### 2. Preliminaries

The definition of equivariant derived categories is given by Bernstein and Lunts [1]. First we explain basic terms. With a topological space  $X$  is associated the category  $Sh(X)$  of sheaves of topological spaces. Its derived category is denoted  $D(X)$ . The subcategory consisting of bounded complexes of sheaves is denoted  $D^b(X)$ . If  $X$  is a complex algebraic variety, we call a sheaf *constructible* if it is constructible with respect to some stratification by algebraic submanifolds and stalks are finite-dimensional vector spaces. A complex is cohomologically constructible if its cohomology sheaves are constructible. The subcategory of bounded constructible complexes is denoted  $D^{b,c}(X)$ .

Assume that a complex linear algebraic group  $G$  acts algebraically on a complex algebraic variety  $X$ . In this setting Bernstein and Lunts [1] defined

bounded constructible equivariant derived category  $D^{b,c}_G(X)$ . It will be denoted also  $D_G(X) = D^{b,c}_G(X)$ . Notice that, if  $X$  is  $G$ -free, then  $D_G(X)$  is equivalent to  $D^{b,c}(G/X)$ . Without freeness assumption the former and the latter categories are not equivalent, in general.

For a  $G$ -map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  of algebraic varieties Bernstein and Lunts [1] defined also the inverse image functor  $f^*: D^{b,c}_G(Y) \rightarrow D^{b,c}_G(X)$ , the direct image functor  $f_*: D^{b,c}_G(X) \rightarrow D^{b,c}_G(Y)$  and the direct image functor with proper supports  $f_!: D^{b,c}_G(X) \rightarrow D^{b,c}_G(Y)$ . Their definitions encompassed also  $f$ -equivariant maps  $f$ , where  $f: G \rightarrow H$  is a group homomorphism.

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#### 3.1. Setup and notations

We partially follow Lusztig [4, 5] in notations. Let  $V$  be a vector space and

$$G = G_V = GL(V).$$

Let us make the product of  $D_G(pt)$  over varying  $\dim V$  into a sort of a graded Hopf category.

Assume we are given a decomposition

$$V: V^1 \oplus V^2 \oplus \dots \oplus V^k = V$$

into vector subspaces. Associate with it a filtration of  $V$

$$0 = V^{(0)} \subset V^{(1)} \subset \dots \subset V^{(n)} = V, \\ V^{(m)} = V^1 \oplus \dots \oplus V^m.$$

$P_V$  is the corresponding parabolic group

$$P_V = \{g \in G_V \mid \forall m \ g(V^{(m)}) \subset V^{(m)}\} = \\ = \{g \in G_V \mid \forall m \ g(V^m) \subset V^{(m)}\}$$

and  $U_V$  is its unipotent radical. The group

$$L_V = \{g \in G_V \mid \forall m \ g(V^m) \subset V^m\} = \prod_{m=1}^k GL(V^m)$$

is a Levi subgroup of  $P_V$ .

Notice that  $P_V, U_V$  need only a filtration to be defined unlike  $L_V$ , which requires direct sum decomposition.

#### 3.2. Braiding

The categories  $D_{G_{a_i}}(pt)$  are viewed as a monoidal 2-category, where  $a_i$  are some vector spaces. Define a braiding in it via the functor

$$c: D_{\prod G_{a_i}} \prod G_{b_j}(pt) \rightarrow {}^h D_{\prod G_{a_i}} \prod G_{b_j}(\text{Hom}(\bigoplus_{i=1}^k a_i, \\ \bigoplus_{j=1}^l b_j)) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow {}^h D_{\prod G_{a_i}} \prod G_{b_j}(pt) \rightarrow {}^\sigma D_{\prod G_{a_i}} \prod G_{a_i}(pt), \quad (1)$$

where  $\sigma$  is the permutation isomorphism of groups. The action of  $\prod G_{a_i} \prod G_{b_j}$  in

$$\text{Hom}(\bigoplus_{i=1}^k a_i, \bigoplus_{j=1}^l b_j) \text{ is } (g, h)x = hxg^{-1}.$$

**Proposition.** The  $R$ -matrix  $R: D_G(pt) \rightarrow D_G(pt)$  (the product of the first two functors in (1)) is isomorphic to the shift functor  $K \rightarrow K[-2d]$ .

### 3.3. Operations

Let two decompositions of  $V$  into a direct sum be given:

$$V: V^1 \oplus V^2 \oplus \dots \oplus V^k = V, \\ W: W^1 \oplus W^2 \oplus \dots \oplus W^l = V.$$

Let  $O \subset G$  be a left  $P_W$ -invariant and right  $P_V$ -invariant subset. We associate with it an operation

$$X_W^{O,V} = \cap_W^{V_O} \Psi_W^V.$$

The components of it are defined below.

#### 3.3.1. Multiplication

The multiplication operation is

$$\Psi_W^{O,V} = (D_{L_V}(pt) \xrightarrow{r} D_{P_W L_V}(O U_V) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow {}^\pi D_{P_W}(O P_V) \rightarrow {}^\alpha D_{P_W}(pt)).$$

Here the scheme of multiplication is similar to that in [5]:

$$pt \leftarrow {}^\phi O U_V \rightarrow {}^\pi O P_V \rightarrow {}^\alpha pt, \quad (2)$$

where  $\pi$  is the canonical projection. The action of  $L_V = P_V / U_V$  in  $O U_V$  is induced from the action  $p \cdot o = o p^{-1}, p \in P_V$ .

In particular, for  $l = 1$  we have  $P_W = G_V, O = G_V$  and the multiplication operation is

$$\Psi_V^V = (D_{L_V}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\phi^*} D_{G_V L_V}(G_V / U_V) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow {}^\pi D_{G_V}(G_V / P_V) \rightarrow {}^\alpha D_{G_V}(pt)),$$

Here the scheme of multiplication is precisely that of Lusztig [5]:

$$pt \leftarrow {}^\phi G_V / U_V \rightarrow {}^\pi G_V / P_V \rightarrow {}^\alpha pt.$$

The particular case  $k = 1, O = G_V$  is also important. We have then  $L_V = P_V = G_V, U_V = 1$ , and

$$\Psi_W^1 = (D_G(pt) \rightarrow {}^{pr} {}^* D_{P_W G}(G) \rightarrow {}^{d_1} D_{P_W}(pt)),$$

where  $d_1: G \rightarrow pt$ .

**Proposition.** The functor  $\Psi_W^1$  is isomorphic to the restriction functor  $\text{Res}_{P_W, G}: D_G(pt) \rightarrow D_{P_W}(pt)$ .

#### 3.4. Comultiplication

The comultiplication functor is

$$\cap_W^V = (D_{P_W}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\text{Rcs}}_{L_W, P_W} D_{L_W}(pt)) = i_{L_W, P_W}^*.$$

Together with multiplication definition of Section 3.3.1 it gives the general operation (in the setup of (3.3))

$$X_W^{O,V} = (D_{L_V}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\phi^*} D_{P_W L_V}(O U_V) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow {}^\pi D_{P_W}(O P_V) \rightarrow {}^\alpha D_{P_W}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\text{Rcs}}_{L_W, P_W} D_{L_W}(pt)) \cong \\ \cong (D_{L_V}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\phi^*} D_{L_W L_V}(O U_V) \rightarrow {}^\pi D_{L_W}(O P_V) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow {}^\alpha D_{L_W}(pt)).$$

In the particular case  $k = 1$  we have  $O = L_V = P_V = G_V, U_V = 1$ , and the comultiplication operation is isomorphic to

$$(D_{G_V}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\text{Rcs}} D_{P_W}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\text{Rcs}} D_{L_W}(pt)) \cong \\ \cong (D_{G_V}(pt) \rightarrow {}^{\text{Rcs}} D_{L_W}(pt))$$

by Proposition 3.3.1.



Indeed, the isomorphism in question

$$(D_{GjGkG}(pt) \rightarrow^{Res} D_{diag}(pt) \rightarrow^{P_1} D_{PmPnPs}(pt) \rightarrow \rightarrow^{i^*} D_{LWPW \cap PV}(P_w)) \cong I^*$$

follows from the isomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D_{PjPkPj}(pt) & \rightarrow & D_{PW \cap PV}(pt) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ D_{diag}(pt) & \rightarrow & D_{PmPnPs}(pt) \end{array}$$

### 3.6. Distinguished triangles

Consider left  $P_w$ -invariant and right  $P_v$ -invariant subsets  $F \subset Y \subset G_v$  such that  $F$  is closed in  $Y$ . Denote  $S = Y - F$  and consider inclusions

$$\begin{array}{l} F/U_v \rightarrow^i U/U_v \leftarrow^j S/U_v, \\ F/P_v \rightarrow^i P/P_v \leftarrow^j S/P_v. \end{array}$$

Denote  $\phi^X, \pi^X, \alpha^X$  the maps (2) for  $O = X \in \{Y, F, S\}$ . Let  $K \in D_{LV}(pt)$ ,  $K_U = \phi^Y K \in D_{PWL}(Y/U_v)$ ,  $K_P = \pi^Y K_U \in D_{PW}(Y/P_v)$  (see the middle row in the following diagram).

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} D_{LV}(pt) & \rightarrow^{\alpha^S} & D_{PWL}(S/U_v) & \rightarrow^{i^*} & D_{PW}(S/P_v) & \rightarrow^{\alpha_1^S} & D_{PW}(pt) \\ \Downarrow & & j_U^* \uparrow & & j_P^* \uparrow \downarrow j_{P^*} & & \Downarrow \\ D_{LV}(pt) & \rightarrow^{\alpha^Y} & D_{PWL}(Y/U_v) & \rightarrow^{i^*} & D_{PW}(Y/P_v) & \rightarrow^{\alpha_1^Y} & D_{PW}(pt) \\ \Downarrow & & i_U^* \downarrow & & i_P^* \downarrow \uparrow i_{P^*} & & \Downarrow \\ D_{LV}(pt) & \rightarrow^{\alpha^F} & D_{PWL}(F/U_v) & \rightarrow^{i^*} & D_{PW}(F/P_v) & \rightarrow^{\alpha_1^F} & D_{PW}(pt) \end{array}$$

Applying  $\alpha_1^Y$  to the standard triangle for  $K_P$  we get a distinguished triangle

$$\alpha_1^Y j_{P^*}^* K_P \rightarrow \alpha_1^Y K_P \rightarrow \alpha_1^Y j_{P^*}^* K_P \rightarrow$$

The above diagram shows that it is isomorphic to certain following sequences:

$$\alpha_1^S \pi_*^S j_U^* K_U \rightarrow \alpha_1^Y \pi_*^Y K_U \rightarrow \alpha_1^F \pi_*^F j_U^* K_U \rightarrow$$

$$\alpha_1^S \pi_*^S \phi^S K \rightarrow \alpha_1^Y \pi_*^Y \phi^Y K \rightarrow \alpha_1^F \pi_*^F \phi^F K \rightarrow$$

This is the triangle

$$\Psi_w^{S^*} K \rightarrow \Psi_w^{Y^*} K \rightarrow \Psi_w^{F^*} K \rightarrow$$

from which the structure triangle

$$X_w^{S^*} K \rightarrow X_w^{Y^*} K \rightarrow X_w^{F^*} K \rightarrow \quad (3)$$

is obtained.

This triangle replaces non-existing isomorphism  $X_w^{Y^*} K \cong X_w^{S^*} K \oplus X_w^{F^*} K$  (this would be too much to ask).

**Theorem.** For any pair of closed embeddings  $F \subset Z \subset Y$  set  $S = Y - F, Q = Z - F, R = Y - Z$ . Then there is an octahedron made with distinguished triangles (3) for these spaces.

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## ПРИКЛАД ТРИАНГУЛЬОВАНОЇ КАТЕГОРІЇ ХОПФА: SL(2)

Будуються приклади ізоморфізмів когерентності для триангульованої категорії Хопфа, пов'язаної з SL(2). Це еквіваріантна похідна категорія, оснащена функторами множення та комноження і структурними ізоморфізмами.