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Дифференциальное исчисление на квантовой сфере  
и деформированное уравнение самодуальности

Обсуждается левоковариантное 3-мерное дифференциальное исчисление на квантовой сфере  $SU_q(2) / U(1)$ . Спинорные  $SU_q(2)$ -гармоники рассматриваются как координаты квантовой сферы. Мы рассматриваем калибровочную теорию для квантовой группы  $SU_q(2) \times U(1)$  на деформированном евклидовом пространстве  $E_q(4)$ . Предложено  $q$ -обобщение формализма гармонических калибровочных полей. Этот формализм используется для гармонической (твисторной) интерпретации уравнения  $q$ -самодуальности на  $E_q(4)$ . Мы рассматриваем представление нулевой кривизны и общую конструкцию  $q$ -самодуальных решений с помощью аналитического препотенциала.

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Differential Calculus on the Quantum Sphere  
and Deformed Self-Duality Equation

We discuss the left-covariant 3-dimensional differential calculus on the quantum sphere  $SU_q(2) / U(1)$ . The  $SU_q(2)$ -spinor harmonics are treated as coordinates of the quantum sphere. We consider the gauge theory for the quantum group  $SU_q(2) \times U(1)$  on the deformed Euclidean space  $E_q(4)$ . A  $q$ -generalization of the harmonic-gauge-field formalism is suggested.

This formalism is applied for the harmonic (twistor) interpretation of the quantum-group self-duality equation (QGSDE). We consider the zero-curvature representation and the general construction of QGSDE-solutions in terms of the analytic prepotential.

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# 1 Introduction

The 2-dimensional sphere  $S^2$  is the simplest example of homogeneous space and can be treated as  $SU(2)/U(1)$  coset space.  $S^2$  plays an important role in the twistor program of Penrose [1] and, particularly, in the twistor interpretation of self-duality equation [2]-[4]. The harmonic approach [4],[5] is a specific version of the twistor formalism based on using the spinor harmonics as coordinates on  $S^2$ .

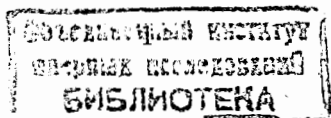
In the present talk, we make an attempt to construct a  $q$ -deformed harmonic formalism in the framework of the quantum-group concept [6],[7]. Noncommutative geometry of quantum spheres has been considered in Refs[7]-[9]. We shall use the left-invariant 3D differential calculus on the quantum group  $SU_q(2)$  [10], [11] to study geometry on the quantum sphere  $SU_q(2)/U(1) = S_q^2$ . Global functions on  $S_q^2$  can be defined as the subset of  $SU_q(2)$ -functions with a zero  $U(1)$ -charge; so we shall consider the  $SU_q(2) \times U(1)$ -covariant relations for the basic geometrical objects on  $S_q^2$ .

Quantum harmonics will be considered as matrix elements  $u_{\pm}^i$  of the  $SU_q(2)$ -matrix  $u$ . An operator of external derivation  $d_u$  on  $SU_q(2)$  can be decomposed in terms of three invariant operators corresponding to the different generators of a deformed Lie algebra. We discuss the analogous decomposition of Maurer-Cartan equations on  $SU_q(2)$ .

The deformed harmonic formalism can be used for analysis of the self-duality equation on the quantum Euclidean space  $E_q(4)$ . The noncommutative coordinates  $x$  of  $E_q(4)$  satisfy the  $SU_q^L(2) \times SU_q^R(2)$ -covariant commutation relations. In this approach, quantum harmonics are connected with the left  $SU_q(2)$ -group.

We use the noncommutative algebra of differential complexes [12]- [14] as a basis of the quantum-group gauge theory. The quantum-group self-duality equation (QGSDE) on  $E_q(4)$  can be formulated with the help of a duality operation on the curvature 2-form. We present the deformed analog of the classical BPST-instanton solution.

Quantum harmonics allow us to interpret QGSDE as a zero-curvature equation for some harmonic decomposition of the connection form. We discuss harmonic solutions of QGSDE by analogy with the classical harmonic formalism [4],[5].



## 2 Quantum harmonics and 3D-differential calculus on the quantum group $SU_q(2)$

We shall use the  $R$ -matrix approach [7] for definition of the unitary quantum group  $U_q(2) = SU_q(2) \times U(1)$  where  $q$  is a real deformation parameter. Let  $T_k^i$  ( $i, k = 1, 2$ ) be elements of a quantum matrix  $T$  satisfying the standard  $RTT$ -relations ( in the notations of Ref[14] )

$$\begin{aligned} RTT' &= TT'R & (2.1) \\ (T)_{lm}^{ik} &= T_l^i \delta_m^k, \quad (T')_{lm}^{ik} = \delta_l^i T_m^k \end{aligned}$$

The symmetrical  $R, \bar{R}$  and  $P^{(\pm)}$  matrices obey the following relations

$$\begin{aligned} R^2 &= I + \lambda R, & \bar{R}\bar{R} &= I, & \bar{R} &= R - \lambda I & (2.2) \\ P^{(+)} + P^{(-)} &= I, & P^{(a)}P^{(b)} &= \delta^{ab}P^{(b)}, & R &= qP^{(+)} - q^{-1}P^{(-)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda = q - q^{-1}$ ,  $a, b = +, -$ .

It is convenient to use a covariant expression for the  $q$ -generalization of an antisymmetrical symbol

$$\varepsilon_{ik}(q) = \sqrt{q(i\bar{k})} \varepsilon_{ik} = -q(i\bar{k})\varepsilon_{ki}(q) \quad (2.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} q(12) &= [q(21)]^{-1} = q, & q(11) &= q(22) = 1 & (2.4) \\ \varepsilon_{ik}(q)\varepsilon^{kl}(q) &= \delta_i^l, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varepsilon_{ik}$  is an ordinary antisymmetrical symbol ( $\varepsilon_{ik} = \varepsilon^{ki}$ ).

$R$ -matrix elements can be written in terms of  $\delta$  and  $\varepsilon(q)$  symbols

$$R_{lm}^{ik} = q\delta_l^i \delta_m^k + \varepsilon^{ki}(q)\varepsilon_{ml}(q) \quad (2.5)$$

Eq(1) for the  $U_q(2)$  group is equivalent to the following relations:

$$\varepsilon_{ml}(q)T_j^l T_n^m = \varepsilon_{nj}(q) D(T) \quad (2.6)$$

$$\varepsilon^{ml}(q)T_i^l T_m^k = \varepsilon^{ki}(q) D(T) \quad (2.7)$$

where  $D(T) = \text{Det}_q(T)$  is the quantum determinant

$$D(T) = -\frac{q}{1+q^2} \varepsilon_{ki}(q)\varepsilon^{ml}(q)T_i^l T_m^k \quad (2.8)$$

Write also the covariant relations for the inverse quantum matrix  $S(T) = T^{-1}$

$$S(T_k^i) = S_k^i = \varepsilon_{kl}(q) T_j^l \varepsilon^{ji}(q) D^{-1}(T) \quad (2.9)$$

$$S_i^l T_k^l = T_i^l S_k^l = \delta_i^k \quad (2.10)$$

$$T_i^l \mathcal{D}_l^m(q) S_m^k = \mathcal{D}_i^k(q) = -\varepsilon_{ji}(q)\varepsilon^{jk}(q)$$

$$S_i^l (\mathcal{D}^{-1})_l^m T_m^k = (\mathcal{D}^{-1})_i^k = -\varepsilon_{ij}(q)\varepsilon^{kj}(q)$$

where the notation  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{-1}$  for  $SU_q(2)$ -metrics is introduced.

The unitarity condition for the matrix  $T$  can be formulated with the help of involution [7]

$$T_k^i \rightarrow \overline{T_k^i} = S_k^i \quad (2.11)$$

The condition  $D(T) = 1$  corresponds to the case of  $SU_q(2)$ . Let us define quantum harmonics as matrix elements of the  $SU_q(2)$ -matrix  $u_a^i$ . We shall distinguish the upper  $SU_q(2)$  index  $i = 1, 2$  and low  $U(1)$ -index  $a = +, -$ .  $SU_q^L(2) \times U(1)$  co-transformations of the harmonics have the following form:

$$u_{\pm}^i \rightarrow l_k^i u_{\pm}^k \exp(\pm i\alpha) \quad (2.12)$$

where  $\alpha$  is the  $U(1)$  parameter and  $l$  is the  $SU_q^L(2)$ -matrix.

Eqs(2.7) for the matrix elements  $u_a^i$  are equivalent to the basic relations

$$\varepsilon_{ki}(q)u_{\pm}^i u_{\pm}^k = 0 \quad (2.13)$$

$$\varepsilon_{ki}(q)u_a^i u_b^k = \varepsilon_{ba}(q),$$

$$\varepsilon^{ba}(q)u_a^i u_b^k = \varepsilon^{ki}(q)$$

We shall use the left-covariant 3-dimensional differential calculus [10], [11] for the quantum harmonics. Consider the  $q$ -traceless left-invariant 1-forms satisfying the Maurer-Cartan equations

$$\theta_b^a = \bar{u}_b^a du_b^i \quad (2.14)$$

$$\text{Tr}_q \theta = q\theta_+^+ + q^{-1}\theta_-^- = 0 \quad (2.15)$$

$$d\theta_b^a = -\theta_c^a \theta_b^c \quad (2.16)$$

where  $\bar{u}_i^a$  are components of the inverse  $SU_q(2)$ -harmonics.

Introduce the simple  $U(1)$  notation

$$\theta_0 = \theta_+^+, \quad \theta_{(+2)} = \theta_+^-, \quad \theta_{(-2)} = \theta_-^+ \quad (2.17)$$

Consider the left-covariant bilinear relations between harmonics and  $\theta$ -forms

$$\begin{aligned} q^{\pm 2}\theta_0 u_{\pm}^i &= u_{\pm}^i \theta_0 \\ q^{\pm 1}\theta_{(p)} u_{\pm}^i &= u_{\pm}^i \theta_{(p)}, \quad p \neq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

These formulas are consistent with Eqs(2.14)-(2.16). Using the standard Leibniz rules for the operator  $d$  one can obtain the relations for the  $\theta$ -forms

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{(p)}^2 &= 0, \quad \theta_{(+2)}\theta_{(-2)} = -q^2\theta_{(-2)}\theta_{(+2)} \\ \theta_{(\pm 2)}\theta_0 &= -q^{\pm 4}\theta_0\theta_{(\pm 2)} \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

Consider the  $SU_q(2) \times U(1)$  invariant decomposition of the harmonic external derivative

$$\begin{aligned} d_u &= \delta_0 + \delta + \bar{\delta} \\ \delta_0 &= \theta_0 D_0, \quad \delta = \theta_{(-2)} D_{(+2)}, \quad \bar{\delta} = \theta_{(+2)} D_{(-2)} \end{aligned} \quad (2.20)$$

where  $D_0$  and  $D_{(\pm 2)}$  are left-invariant differential operators. Note that the  $D$ -operators are generators of the  $q$ -deformed Lie algebra [11]

$$\begin{aligned} q^2 D_{(+2)} D_{(-2)} - D_{(-2)} D_{(+2)} &= D_0 \\ D_0 D_{(+2)} - q^4 D_{(+2)} D_0 &= q^2(1+q^2) D_{(+2)} \\ D_{(-2)} D_0 - q^4 D_0 D_{(-2)} &= q^2(1+q^2) D_{(-2)} \end{aligned} \quad (2.21)$$

The standard basis of the universal enveloping algebra  $U_q[SU(2)]$  [6] can be obtained by the nonlinear substitution [11]

$$\begin{aligned} D_0 &= \frac{q^2}{1-q^2}(1-q^{2H}) \\ D_{(\pm 2)} &= q^{H/2} X^{(\pm)} \end{aligned} \quad (2.22)$$

The operators  $\delta_0$ ,  $\delta$  and  $\bar{\delta}$  are nilpotent and obey the additional condition

$$\{\delta_0, \delta\} + \{\delta_0, \bar{\delta}\} + \{\delta, \bar{\delta}\} = 0 \quad (2.23)$$

Define the manifest expressions for the action of these operators on quantum harmonics

$$\begin{aligned} [\delta_0, u_+^i] &= u_+^i \theta_0, \quad [\delta, u_+^i] = 0, \quad \bar{\delta} u_+^i = u_-^i \theta_{(+2)} \\ [\delta_0, u_-^i] &= -\theta_0 u_-^i, \quad [\delta, u_-^i] = u_+^i \theta_{(-2)}, \quad [\bar{\delta}, u_-^i] = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.24)$$

An invariant decomposition of the Maurer-Cartan equations on  $SU_q(2)/U(1)$  has the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} d_u \theta_0 &= 2\{\delta, \theta_0\} = 2\{\bar{\delta}, \theta_0\} = -\theta_{(-2)}\theta_{(+2)} \\ d_u \theta_{(+2)} &= 2\{\delta_0, \theta_{(+2)}\} = 2\{\bar{\delta}, \theta_{(+2)}\} = q^2(1+q^2)\theta_0\theta_{(+2)} \\ d_u \theta_{(-2)} &= 2\{\delta_0, \theta_{(-2)}\} = 2\{\bar{\delta}, \theta_{(-2)}\} = q^2(1+q^2)\theta_{(-2)}\theta_0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.25)$$

Global functions on the quantum sphere  $S_q^2 = SU_q(2)/U(1)$  satisfy the invariant condition

$$[\delta_0, f(u)] = \theta_0 D_0 f(u) = 0 \quad (2.26)$$

We shall consider also the  $U(1)$ -charged functions of the harmonics  $f_{(p)}(u)$

$$[H, f_{(p)}(u)] = p f_{(p)}(u) \quad (2.27)$$

where  $p$  is an integer number.

We shall treat harmonic functions as formal expansions on irreducible harmonic polynomials. The  $q$ -symmetrized product of  $r$  harmonics  $u_+^i$  and  $s$  harmonics  $u_-^i$  is the basis of the irreducible  $SU_q(2)$ -representation with the  $U(1)$ -charge  $p = r - s$

$$\Phi^{(r,s)}(u) = \Phi^{(i_1 \dots i_r, j_1 \dots j_s)}(u) = u_+^{i_1} u_+^{i_2} \dots u_+^{i_r} u_-^{j_1} \dots u_-^{j_s} = (u_+)^r (u_-)^s \quad (2.28)$$

where  $(r, s) = I$  is the  $q$ -symmetrized multiindex

$$P_{k,k+1}^{(+)} \Phi^{(r,s)} = q^{-1} R_{k,k+1} \Phi^{(r,s)} = \Phi^{(r,s)} \quad (2.29)$$

Here the  $R$ -matrix and the projectional operator  $P^{(+)}$  act on the indices  $i_k$  and  $i_{k+1}$ .

The monomials  $\Phi^{(r,s)}$  obey complicated commutation relations depending on the values  $r, s$ , so the polynomials  $f_{(p)}(u)$  with complex numerical coefficients have not covariant commutation properties. It is useful to extend the algebra of harmonics by adding the set of noncommuting coefficients  $C_{(r,s)}$ . These coefficients are the components of the covariant neutral harmonic polynomials (covariant  $q$ -harmonic fields)

$$F(u) = \sum C_{(r,r)} \Phi^{(r,r)}(u) = \sum C_I \Phi^I \quad (2.30)$$

The bilinear commutation relations between  $C_I$  and  $u$  follow from the requirement of harmonic commutativity:

$$[u_{\pm}^i, F(u)] = 0 \quad (2.31)$$

Relations between different coefficients  $C_I$  can be obtained, for instance, from the additional assumption of commutativity for the monomials in Eq(2.30). If one has a matrix harmonic field  $F_b^a(u)$  satisfying the bilinear relations, then new relations for the corresponding coefficients arise too.

A construction of the differential calculus on covariant harmonic fields includes the relations for the harmonic external derivatives (2.21) and  $C_I$

$$[\delta_0, C_I] = [\delta, C_I] = [\bar{\delta}, C_I] = 0 \quad (2.32)$$

### 3 Quantum Euclidean space and quantum self-duality equation

Quantum deformations of the Minkowski and Euclidean 4-dimensional spaces have been considered in Refs[16]-[19]. We shall use the coordinates  $x_\alpha^i$  of  $q$ -deformed Euclidean space  $E_q(4)$  as generators of a non-commutative algebra covariant under the coaction of the quantum group  $G_q(4) = SU_q^L(2) \times SU_q^R(2)$

$$x_\alpha^i \rightarrow (l x r)_\alpha^i = l_k^i r_\alpha^\beta \otimes x_\beta^k \quad (3.1)$$

where  $l$  and  $r$  are quantum matrices of the left and right  $SU_q(2)$  groups:

$$R_{lm}^{ik} x_\alpha^l x_\beta^m = x_\alpha^i x_\beta^k R_{\alpha\beta}^{\gamma\rho} \quad (3.2)$$

$$R r r' = r r' R, \quad R l l' = l l' R \quad (3.3)$$

$$[r, l'] = [r, x'] = [l, x'] = 0, \quad \text{Det}_q(l) = 1 = \text{Det}_q(r)$$

We use two identical copies of  $R$ -matrices for  $SU_q^L(2)$  and  $SU_q^R(2)$ .

The  $q$ -deformed central Euclidean interval  $\tau$  can be constructed by analogy with the quantum determinant

$$\tau(x) = -\frac{q}{1+q^2} \varepsilon^{\beta\alpha}(q) \varepsilon_{ki}(q) x_\alpha^i x_\beta^k \quad (3.4)$$

We do not consider the quantum-group structure on  $E_q(4)$  but we shall apply the standard formula (2.10) for a definition of the inverse matrix  $S(x)$ .

It is convenient to use the following  $E_q(4)$ -involution:

$$\overline{x_\alpha^i} = \varepsilon_{ik}(q) x_\beta^k \varepsilon^{\beta\alpha}(q) = \tau S_\alpha^i(x) \quad (3.5)$$

$$\overline{\tau} = \tau, \quad \overline{x_\alpha^i} = x_\alpha^i$$

Let us consider the bicovariant differential calculus on the quantum group  $U_q(2)$  [20]-[23]

$$T dT' = R dT T' R \quad (3.6)$$

$$D(T) dT = q^2 dT D(T) \quad (3.7)$$

$$\omega R \omega + R \omega R \omega = 0 \quad (3.8)$$

$$T \omega' = R \omega R T \quad (3.9)$$

where  $\omega_k^i(T) = dT_j^i S(T_k^j)$  are the right-invariant differential forms.

The quantum trace  $\xi$  of the form  $\omega$  plays an important role in this calculus

$$\xi(T) = \mathcal{D}_i^k(q) \omega_k^i(T) \neq 0, \quad \xi^2 = 0, \quad d\xi = 0 \quad (3.10)$$

$$dT = \omega T = (q^2 \lambda)^{-1} [T, \xi], \quad q dD(T) = \xi D(T) \quad (3.11)$$

$$d\omega = \omega^2 = -(q^2 \lambda)^{-1} \{\xi, \omega\} \quad (3.12)$$

All these formulae can be used for a construction of the  $G_q(4)$ -covariant differential calculus on  $E_q(4)$  via the substitution

$$T \rightarrow x, \quad dT \rightarrow dx, \quad \omega(T) \rightarrow \omega(x) = dx S(x) \quad (3.13)$$

The noncommutative algebra of differential complexes [12]-[14] can be used for a consistent formulation of the  $U_q(2)$  gauge theory on the quantum space  $E_q(4)$ . Consider the  $U_q(2)$  gauge matrix  $T_b^a$  defined on  $E_q(4)$ . Suppose that Eqs(2.2,3.7 - 3.12) locally satisfy for each "point"  $x$ . Coaction of the gauge group  $U_q(2)$  on the connection 1-form  $A_b^a$  has the following form [12]-[14]:

$$A \rightarrow T(x) A S(T(x)) + dT(x) S(T(x)) = T A S + \omega(T) \quad (3.14)$$

$$A_b^a = dx_\alpha^i A_{ib}^{\alpha a}(x)$$

The basic commutation relations for the form  $A$  are covariant under the gauge transformation

$$A R A + R A R A R = 0 \quad (3.15)$$

Note that the general relation for  $A$  contains a nontrivial right-hand side [14].

The restriction  $\alpha = \text{Tr}_q A = 0$  is inconsistent with Eq(3.15), but we can choose the zero field-strength condition  $d\alpha = \text{Tr}_q dA = 0$ . This constraint for the  $U(1)$ -gauge field is gauge invariant.

The curvature 2-form is  $q$ -traceless for this model

$$F = dA - A^2 = dx_\alpha^i dx_\beta^k F_{ki}^{\beta\alpha}(x) \quad (3.16)$$

Basic 2-forms on  $E_q(4)$  can be decomposed with the help of the projectional operators  $P^{(\pm)}$  (2.3)

$$\begin{aligned} dx_\alpha^i dx_\beta^k &= [P^{(-)} dx dx' P^{(+)} + P^{(+)} dx dx' P^{(-)}]_{\alpha\beta}^{ik} = \\ &= \frac{q}{1+q^2} [\varepsilon^{ki}(q) d^2 x_{\alpha\beta} + \varepsilon_{\beta\alpha}(q) d^2 x^{ik}] \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

By analogy with the classical case we can treat these two parts as self-dual and anti-self-dual 2-forms under the action of a duality operator  $*$ .

Let us consider the deformed anti-self-duality equation

$$*F = -F \quad (3.18)$$

We can obtain a 5-parameter solution for the  $q$ -deformed anti-self-dual  $U_q(2)$ -connection [23]:

$$A_b^a = dx_\alpha^a \varepsilon_{bk}(q) \hat{x}_\beta^k \varepsilon^{\beta\alpha}(q) (c + \hat{\tau})^{-1} \quad (3.19)$$

$$\hat{x}_\beta^k = x_\beta^k - c_\beta^k, \quad d\hat{x} = dx, \quad dc = 0 \quad (3.20)$$

$$R \hat{x} \hat{x}' = \hat{x} \hat{x}' R, \quad R c c' = c c' R, \quad c x' = R x c' R$$

$$c dx' = R dx c' R, \quad [\hat{x}, \tau(\hat{x})] = 0$$

$$\tau(\hat{x}) dx = q^2 dx \tau(\hat{x})$$

where  $c$  and  $c_\beta^k$  are some "parameters" and a central function  $\hat{\tau} = \tau(\hat{x})$  can be defined by substitution  $x \rightarrow \hat{x}$  in Eq(3.4).

Note that one can treat  $c$  as a central periodical function which define a solution of the first-order finite-difference equation:  $c(\tau) = c(q^2\tau)$ . This solution is a deformed analogue of Belavin-Polyakov-Schwarz-Tyupkin instanton. The multiparameter  $q$ -generalization of the 't Hooft solution can be considered too.

## 4 Harmonic (twistor) interpretation of quantum-group self-duality equation

The QGSD-equation for the field strength has the following form:

$$F_{ki}^{\beta\alpha} = [P^{(+)} F P^{(-)}]_{ik}^{\alpha\beta} = \varepsilon_{ki}(q) F^{\beta\alpha} \quad (4.1)$$

One can obtain the integrability condition multiplying this equation by the product of  $q$ -harmonics  $u_+^i u_+^k$ .

Let us discuss the covariant formulation of this integrability condition using the deformed harmonic space. It is convenient to introduce new analytic coordinates  $x_{\alpha(\pm)}$  for  $E_q(4) \otimes_q S_q^2$ . One should use the following commutation relations

$$\partial_k^\alpha x_\beta^i = \delta_\beta^\alpha \delta_k^i + R_{kl}^{ij} R_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha\rho} x_\rho^l \partial_j^\gamma \quad (4.2)$$

$$q \partial_i^\alpha u_\alpha^l = R_{ik}^{lm} u_\alpha^k \partial_m^\alpha \quad (4.3)$$

$$q u_\alpha^i x_\beta^k = R_{lm}^{ik} x_\beta^l u_\alpha^m \quad (4.4)$$

Define the charged analytical coordinates and derivatives and the corresponding commutation relations

$$x_{\alpha a} = \varepsilon_{ab}(q) x_\alpha^b = \varepsilon_{ik}(q) x_\alpha^k u_a^i = -q^2 \varepsilon_{ki}(q) u_a^i x_\alpha^k \quad (4.5)$$

$$R_{ab}^{cd} x_{\alpha c} x_{\beta d} = R_{\alpha\beta}^{\gamma\rho} x_{\gamma a} x_{\rho b} \quad (4.6)$$

$$\partial_a^\alpha = u_a^i \partial_i^\alpha, \quad R_{ab}^{cd} \partial_c^\alpha \partial_d^\beta = R_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha\rho} \partial_a^\rho \partial_b^\gamma$$

$$\partial_a^\alpha x_\beta^b = \delta_\beta^\alpha \delta_a^b + q^{-1} R_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha\rho} R_{ga}^{fb} \kappa_\rho^g \partial_f^\gamma \quad (4.7)$$

Note that upper and low indices  $a, b \dots$  have opposite  $U(1)$ -charges.

Consider the symmetrical decomposition of the external derivative  $d_x$  on  $E_q(4)$

$$\begin{aligned} d_x &= dx_\alpha^i \partial_i^\alpha = \kappa_\alpha^a \partial_a^\alpha = d_\alpha^a = d_1 + d_2 \\ d_x^2 &= 0, \quad d_b^a = \kappa_\alpha^a \partial_b^\alpha \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

where  $\kappa_\alpha^a = \varepsilon^{ab}(q) \kappa_{\alpha b}$  are the covariant analytic 1-forms:

$$\kappa_{\alpha a} = \varepsilon_{ki}(q) dx_\alpha^i u_a^k = dx_{\alpha a} - x_{\alpha b} \theta_a^b \quad (4.9)$$

$$\{d_x, \kappa_\alpha^a\} = 0, \quad \kappa_\alpha^a \kappa_\beta^b = -R_{dc}^{ba} \kappa_\gamma^c \kappa_\rho^d R_{\alpha\beta}^{\gamma\rho} \quad (4.10)$$

$$\partial_a^\alpha \kappa_\beta^b = R_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha\rho} R_{fb}^{ga} \kappa_\rho^g \partial_f^\gamma$$

It is not difficult to check the following relations:

$$d_1^2 = 0, \quad d_2^2 + \{d_1, d_2\} = 0 \quad (4.11)$$

Stress that  $d_2^2 \rightarrow 0$  in the limit  $q \rightarrow 1$ .

An analyticity condition for the functions of  $x_{\alpha a}$  and  $u_a^i$  has manifest solutions  $\Lambda$  depending on the analytical coordinate  $x_{\alpha(+)}$

$$\partial_{\pm}^{\alpha} \Lambda = 0 \iff d_1 \Lambda = 0 \quad (4.12)$$

It should be remarked that the action of the harmonic derivatives  $\delta_0$  and  $\delta$  (2.25) conserves the analyticity

$$\{\delta_0, d_1\} \Lambda = 0, \quad \{\delta, d_1\} \Lambda = 0 \quad (4.13)$$

Consider a decomposition of the  $U_q(2)$ -connection in the central basis (CB) (3.15)  $A = a_1 + a_2$  corresponding to the decomposition (4.9) where  $a_1 = \kappa_{\alpha}^{+} A_{+}^{\alpha}(x)$  is a connection for the derivative  $d_1$ . The quantum-group self-duality equation (4.3) is equivalent to the zero-curvature equation

$$d_1 a_1 - a_1^2 = 0 \quad (4.14)$$

This equation has the following harmonic solution:

$$a_1 = d_1 h S(h) = \omega(h, d_1 h) \quad (4.15)$$

where  $h(x, u)$  is a "bridge"  $U_q(2)$ -matrix function. The matrix elements of  $h, d_1 h, d_x h$  and  $d_u h$  satisfy the relations analogous to Eqs(3.7-3.9). Additional harmonic conditions are

$$\delta_0 h = 0, \quad d \text{Tr}_q \omega(h, dh) = 0 \quad (4.16)$$

where  $d$  is a nilpotent operator ( $d_1, d_x$  or  $d_u$ ).

The bridge solution possesses a nontrivial gauge freedom

$$h \rightarrow T(x) h \Lambda(x_{(+)}, u), \quad \delta_0 \Lambda = d_1 \Lambda = 0 \quad (4.17)$$

where  $\Lambda$  is an analytical  $U_q(2)$  gauge matrix.

The matrix  $h$  is a transition matrix from the central basis to the analytic basis (AB) where  $d_1$  has no connection. Consider formally the decomposition  $d = d_x + d_u$  in the CB equations (3.15-3.16) although the CB-harmonic connection is equal to zero ( $d_u T = 0 = d_u A$ ). The bridge transform is a transition to a new  $u$ -dependent basis  $\mathcal{A}$  in the algebra of  $U_q(2)$  differential complexes

$$\mathcal{A} = S(h) A h - S(h) d h = \tilde{A}_x + V \quad (4.18)$$

$$\tilde{A}_x = S(h) A h - S(h) d_x h = \kappa_{\alpha}^{(-)} A_{-}^{\alpha} \quad (4.19)$$

$$V = v + \bar{v} = -S(h) d_u h, \quad v = \theta_{(-2)} V_{(+2)}, \quad \bar{v} = \theta_{(+2)} V_{(-2)} \quad (4.20)$$

where  $\tilde{A}_x, V, v$  and  $\bar{v}$  are the AB-connection 1-forms for the operators  $d_x, d_u, \delta$  and  $\bar{\delta}$  correspondingly.

A general solution of QGSDE can be obtained as a solution of the basic harmonic gauge equation [4],[5]

$$\delta h + h v = \theta_{(-2)} [D_{(+2)} h + h V_{(+2)}] = 0 \quad (4.21)$$

where the connection  $v$  contains the analytic prepotential  $V_{(+2)}$ .

We can discuss also the harmonic equations for the AB-gauge fields by analogy with Refs[24]

$$\partial_{\pm}^{\alpha} V_{(+2)} = 0, \quad A_{-}^{\alpha} = -q^{-2} \partial_{\pm}^{\alpha} V_{(-2)} \quad (4.22)$$

$$[D_{(+2)} + V_{(+2)}] V_{(-2)} - q^{-2} [D_{(-2)} + V_{(-2)}] V_{(+2)} = 0 \quad (4.23)$$

where  $V_{(-2)}$  is the nonanalytic gauge field for  $D_{(-2)}$ .

One can obtain explicit or perturbative solutions of these equations by using the noncommutative generalizations of classical harmonic expansions and harmonic Green functions [4],[5],[24].

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