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## The braid group representations associated with some non-fundamental representations of Lie algebras

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**Abstract.** The braid group representations associated with the eight-dimensional representation of  $B_3$  and six-dimensional representation of  $A_2$ , including the quantum Lie algebra connected with the latter, are explicitly calculated.

### 1. Introduction

Recently much progress has been made in deriving the braid group representations (BGR). To find BGR the different types of approaches have been formulated [1-16]. One of them is based on reducing the known quantum  $R(x)$  matrix (where  $x$  relates to the spectral parameter  $u$ ). For instance, Wadati *et al* [9] derived the BGR and link polynomials other than Jones' by taking the limit of the known  $R(x)$  matrices for spin models (under the symmetry breaking transformation). Turaev discussed the cases of  $B_n$ ,  $C_n$  and  $D_n$  in their fundamental representations by reducing Jimbo's results on  $R(x)$  matrices associated with the generalised Toda lattice [10]. Another type of approach is direct calculation. They are typically state models, especially the Yang-Baxter state model [6, 7, 15], and the general constructions of BGR for simple Lie algebras by Reshetikhin [11]. We know that the derivations of  $R(x)$  are much more difficult than those of BGR which is denoted by  $S (=R(0)$  in Jimbo's 'gauge' [17-19]). Meanwhile from the point of view of physics we prefer the direct calculation to the reduction versions.

In general it needs a lot of computation to find BGR as the dimensions of the Lie algebras are large. For instance, in the Yang-Baxter state model the state expansions are very complicated [7, 9, 15] and in the group approach [11] the calculations of the projectors are also lengthy. In comparison with Jimbo's works [17-19] the direct derivation approaches are almost on the same level as the 'full' quantum group (QG) version [13]. Therefore the key point for constructing BGR is to facilitate the computations in the direct derivation approach.

In this paper we present a more practical approach for the direct derivation of BGR in which the Witten and Wilson loop theory of link polynomials based on a (2+1) Chern-Simons Lagrangian plays the central role. We shall combine the decompositions of direct products for Lie algebra representations, Yang-Baxter state expansions [7, 11, 15], and the Markov trace [9] with Witten's version [14, 20, 21] to calculate two BGR corresponding to the eight-dimensional representations of  $B_3$  and six-dimensional

representation of  $SU(3)$ . These two examples are beyond the discussions restricted to only the fundamental representations of Lie algebras as made in the current literature.

**2. The universality of Witten’s approach**

The original discussions on the link theory based on the  $(2+1)$ -dimensional Chern-Simons Lagrangian are concerned with the fundamental representations of  $SU(N)$ . However, by making comparisons with other projection theories it is easy to see that the approach works for any decomposition of  $R \otimes R = \oplus_i E_i$  which give rise to the eigenvalues of BGR [14, 20, 21]

$$\lambda_i = \pm \bar{q}^{(\Delta_R - \frac{1}{2}\Delta_{E_i})} \tag{2.1}$$

where

$$\bar{q} = \exp[2i\pi / (k + C_v)]$$

and  $\Delta$  stands for the corresponding Casimir eigenvalues.

The reduction relation for the BGR  $S$  is

$$\prod_{i=1}^n (S - \lambda_i) = 0. \tag{2.2}$$

The framing factor  $f$  is given by

$$\langle \chi S^m \psi \rangle = f^m P(L_{m-1}) \tag{2.3}$$

where  $P(L_{m-1})$  denotes  $(m - 1)$  crossing polynomials. The meaning of  $\langle \chi \dots \psi \rangle$  and other conventions are referred to in [14, 21]. The skein relation has the form

$$P(L_{n-1}) - f^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \right) P(L_{n-2}) + f^{-2} \left( \prod_{i<j}^n \lambda_i \lambda_j \right) P(L_{n-3}) - \dots + f^{-n} (-1)^n \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \right) P(L_{-1}) = 0. \tag{2.4}$$

The Markov trace is defined as

$$\Phi(A) = \text{Tr}(A\bar{H}) \tag{2.5}$$

where the matrix  $A$  can be any crossing block and  $\bar{H}$  is given by

$$\bar{H} = \bar{h} \times \bar{h} \times \dots \times \bar{h} \quad \bar{h} = h / [\bigcirc].$$

The diagonal matrix  $h$  is given by [9, 11]

$$h_{ab} = \delta_{ab} t^{-2(\delta, W_a)} = \delta_{ab} t^{-L(a)} \tag{2.6}$$

where  $\delta$  is the half sum of simple roots and  $W_a$  denotes the weight labelled by index  $a$ . We note that the sum

$$\sum_a S_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} = \tau \quad \sum_a (S^{-1})_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} = \bar{\tau} \tag{2.7}$$

is independent of index  $a$ . The normalisation of  $S_{aa}^{aa}$  can be made in an arbitrary way. For example

$$S_{aa}^{aa} = 1 \tag{2.8}$$

or

$$S_{aa}^{aa} = t^{-(W_R)^2} \tag{2.9}$$

which gives rise to

$$\sum_b S_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} = t^{-\Delta_R} = \tau \tag{2.10}$$

$$\sum_b (S^{-1})_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} = t^{\Delta_R} = \bar{\tau} = \tau^{-1}. \tag{2.11}$$

$W_R$  denotes the highest weight of representation  $R$ . The factor

$$\alpha^{1/2} = (\bar{\tau}/\tau)^{1/2} = t^{\Delta_R}$$

plays an important role in the construction of polynomials just as  $f$  in (2.3). Obviously, in comparison with Witten's approach we have

$$f = \alpha^{-1/2} \tag{2.12}$$

if this condition holds:

$$t = \bar{q} \tag{2.13}$$

which is known as the trace-cross-channel unitarity [7, 15].

### 2.1. Kauffman's state model

The link polynomial is defined by

$$P_K = (A)^{-W(K)} \sum_S [K|\tilde{S}] t^{\|\tilde{S}\|} \tag{2.14}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} [\infty\infty] &= A \quad [O] \\ [\infty O] &= A^{-1} [O]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

The notations adopted here refer to [7, 15]. For example the norm  $\|\tilde{S}\|$  is given by

$$\|\tilde{S}\| = \sum_{\text{Comp}(S)} \text{rot}(a) \langle 2\delta W_a \rangle \tag{2.16}$$

where a suitable label set  $\{a\}$  is understood [12, 22].

Because the calculations show

$$A = \tau$$

and the writhe

$$\begin{aligned} W(\underbrace{\times \dots \times}_m) &= -m \\ W(\underbrace{\times \dots \times}_m) &= m \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

(2.14) is equivalent to the definition of link polynomials in [7].

There are two possibilities for closure of the graph



One of them is trivial:

$$\bigcirc \rightarrow \bigcirc$$

The other provides the trace-cross-channel unitarity

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc &= \sum_{a,b,c} S_{ca}^{ca} (S^{-1})_{cb}^{cb} t^{-L(a)} t^{-L(b)} t^{-L(c)} \\ &= \sum_c \left( \sum_a S_{ca}^{ca} t^{-L(a)} \right) \left[ \sum_b (S^{-1})_{cb}^{cb} t^{L(b)} \right] t^{-L(c)} \\ &= \sum_c t^{-L(c)} = [\bigcirc]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

Thus the trace-cross-channel unitarity is automatically satisfied, provided  $t = q$ .

Now, throughout the above discussions we have pointed out that the three approaches are closely related and sometimes they are equivalent. The Witten approach is more powerful not only in the explicit forms of the eigenvalues but also in their connections with the CFT.

In the following we shall employ any one of the three approaches when it is able to simplify the calculations. As we see later this ‘combining operation’ is effective in deriving BGR and is a general method.

### 3. The explicit derivation of BGR associated with an eight-dimensional representation of $B_3$

In order to carry out the arguments of [11, 14] we first note that for the decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} D^{(0,0,\frac{1}{4})} \otimes D^{(0,0,\frac{1}{4})} &= D_s^{(0,0,\frac{1}{2})} \oplus D_A^{(0,\frac{1}{2},0)} + D_A^{(\frac{1}{2},0,0)} \oplus D_s^{(0,0,0)} \\ \text{Dim } 8 \quad 8 \quad 35 \quad 21 \quad 7 \quad 1 \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

there are the weight vectors

$$\begin{aligned} W_7 &= (0, 0, \frac{1}{4}) & W_5 &= (0, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}) & W_3 &= (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}) \\ W_1 &= (\frac{1}{2}, 0, -\frac{1}{4}) & W_{-1} &= (-\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{4}) & W_{-3} &= (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}) \\ W_{-5} &= (0, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}) & W_{-7} &= (0, 0, -\frac{1}{4}). \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

They obey the weight conservations

$$W_a + W_b = W_c + W_d \tag{3.3}$$

and are grouped by:

(a) 8-fold weights, 4-fold weights

$$\begin{aligned} W_a + W_{-a} &= 0 \\ W_5 + W_3 &= W_7 + W_1 = (\frac{1}{2}, 0, 0) \\ W_5 + W_{-1} &= W_7 + W_{-3} = (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0) \\ W_7 + W_{-5} &= W_3 + W_{-1} = (0, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) \\ W_5 + W_{-7} &= W_1 + W_{-3} = (0, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}) \\ W_3 + W_{-7} &= W_1 + W_{-5} = (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0) \end{aligned}$$

(b) 2-fold weights

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_5 + W_7 &= (0, \frac{1}{2}, 0) & W_3 + W_{-5} &= (\frac{1}{2}, -1, \frac{1}{2}) \\
 W_7 + W_3 &= (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) & W_{-1} + W_{-3} &= (-1, \frac{1}{2}, 0) \\
 W_7 + W_{-1} &= (-\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}) & W_{-5} + W_{-1} &= (-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) \\
 W_5 + W_1 &= (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}) & W_1 + W_{-7} &= (\frac{1}{2}, 0, -\frac{1}{2}) \\
 W_3 + W_1 &= (1, -\frac{1}{2}, 0) & W_{-3} + W_{-7} &= (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}) \\
 W_5 + W_{-3} &= (-\frac{1}{2}, 1, -\frac{1}{2}) & W_{-5} + W_{-7} &= (0, -\frac{1}{2}, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) single-fold weights

$$W_a + W_a.$$

With the above weight analysis the BGR  $S$  has the block diagonal form

$$S = \text{block diag}(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_7, A_8, A_7, \dots, A_2, A_1)$$

where

$$A_1 = u \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_1 \\ p_1 & w_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & p_1 \\ 0 & u & 0 \\ p_1 & 0 & w_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} & & & p_2 \\ & & p_3 & q_1 \\ & p_3 & w_3 & q_2 \\ p_2 & q_1 & q_2 & w_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_5 = \begin{bmatrix} & & & p_1 \\ & & p_1 & \\ & u & & \\ p_1 & p_1 & & w_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_6 = \begin{bmatrix} & & & & p_4 \\ & & & p_5 & q_3 \\ & & p_6 & 0 & 0 \\ & p_6 & w_6 & 0 & 0 \\ p_5 & 0 & 0 & w_5 & q_4 \\ p_4 & q_3 & 0 & 0 & q_4 & w_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_7 = \begin{bmatrix} & & & & & p_7 \\ & & & p_8 & 0 & \\ & & p_9 & 0 & q_5 & \\ & u & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\ p_9 & 0 & w_9 & 0 & q_6 & \\ p_8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & w_8 & 0 \\ p_7 & 0 & q_5 & 0 & q_6 & 0 & w_7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_8 = \begin{bmatrix} & & & & & & & p_{10} \\ & & & & & p_{11} & q_7 & \\ & & & & p_{12} & q_{13} & q_8 & \\ & & & p_{13} & q_{17} & q_{14} & q_9 & \\ & & p_{13} & 0 & q_{18} & q_{15} & q_{10} & \\ & p_{12} & q_{17} & q_{18} & w_{12} & q_{16} & q_{11} & \\ p_{11} & q_{13} & q_{14} & q_{15} & q_{16} & w_{11} & q_{12} & \\ p_{10} & q_7 & q_8 & q_9 & q_{10} & q_{11} & q_{12} & w_{10} \end{bmatrix}$$

where the vacancies mean 0 in the submatrices.

The eigenvalues can be determined by the Casimirs

$$\lambda_1 = q^3 \quad \lambda_2 = -q^{-1} \quad \lambda_3 = -q^{-9} \quad \lambda_4 = q^{-21}$$

and the framing factor is

$$f = t^{-21}$$

with

$$t = q$$

where

$$q = \exp\left(\frac{1}{4} \frac{i\pi}{C_v + k}\right) = t.$$

We note that (2.13) is the consequence of the trace-cross-channel unitarity.

In terms of the Witten version we write the eigenvalue equation and the skein relation immediately:

$$(S - t^3)(S - t^{-1})(S - t^{-9})(S - t^{-21}) = 0$$

and

$$P(L_{3+}) = t^{18}(1 - t^4 - t^{12} + t^{24})P(L_{2+}) + t^{40}(1 + t^8 + t^{24} + t^{32} - t^{12} - t^{20})P(L_+) - t^{112}P(L_-) + t^{70}(1 - t^{12} - t^{20} + t^{24})P(L_0). \tag{3.4}$$

The Markov trace under this case has come from

$$h_{ab} = \delta_{ab} t^{L(a)} \quad L(a) = \begin{cases} t^{4a+2} & a > \frac{3}{2} \\ t^{4a} & |a| \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ t^{4a-2} & a < -\frac{3}{2} \end{cases}$$

and

$$[\bigcirc] = \sum_a t^{L(a)} = t^{18} + t^{14} + t^6 + t^2 + t^{-2} + t^{-6} + t^{-14} + t^{-18}$$

with the label set

$$a, b \in \left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{7}{2}\right).$$

The general considerations preserve

$$\sum_b (S^{-1})_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} = t^{-21} \quad \sum_b S_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} = t^{21} \tag{3.5}$$

namely

$$\tau = t^{-21} \quad \bar{\tau} = t^{21}.$$

We next determine the elements in the submatrices.

(i) From the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  it is easy to know that

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= q^3 - q^{-1} & w_2 + w_3 &= 2q^3 - q^{-1} - q^{-9} \\ w_4 + w_5 + w_6 &= 3q^3 - 2q^{-1} - q^{-9} & w_7 + w_8 + w_9 &= 3q^3 - 2q^{-1} - q^{-9} \\ w_{10} + w_{11} + w_{12} &= 3q^3 - 3q^{-1} - q^{-9} + q^{-21}. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Equation (3.5) leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
 a = \frac{7}{2} & \quad q^3 q^{18} = A = q^{21} \\
 a = \frac{5}{2} & \quad q^3 q^{14} + w_1 q^{18} = A \\
 a = \frac{3}{2} & \quad q^3 q^6 + w_3 q^{14} + w_1 q^{18} = A \\
 & \quad \text{i.e. } w_3 = w_1(1 + q^{-4}) \text{ and } w_2 = w_1(1 + q^{-8}) \\
 a = \frac{1}{2} & \quad q^3 q^2 + w_6 q^6 + w_1 q^{14} + w_2 q^{18} = A \Rightarrow w_6 = w_1.
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Two diagrams without annihilations give

$$w_9 = w_5 = w_3 \quad w_4 = w_2 = w_7 \quad w_1 = w_6 = w_8.$$

(iv) Using (iii) and the Markov trace we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 a = -\frac{1}{2} & \Rightarrow w_{13} = 0 \\
 a = -\frac{3}{2} & \Rightarrow w_{12} = w_1(1 - q^{-8}) \\
 a = -\frac{5}{2} & \Rightarrow w_{11} = w_1(1 - q^{-16}) \\
 a = -\frac{7}{2} & \Rightarrow w_{10} = w_1(1 + q^{-8} - q^{-12} - q^{-20}).
 \end{aligned}$$

(v) The other parameters,  $p$  and  $q$ , can be determined by the 37 diagrams with annihilations.

Noting that there are only six independent conditions provided by (3.5) we thus have  $6 + 2 + 37 = 45$  constraint conditions plus one equality in total which matches the number of parameters appearing in the submatrices  $A_i$  ( $2 + 13 + 13 + 18 = 46$ ). Putting it all together we derive the final answers:

$$u = q \tag{3.6}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_1 = p_6 = p_8 = u & \quad p_2 = p_3 = p_4 = p_5 = p_7 = p_8 = p_9 = u^{-1} \\
 p_{10} = p_{11} = p_{12} = p_{13} = u^{-3} & \\
 w_1 = u^3 - u^{-1} & \quad w_2 = w_1(1 + u^{-8}) & \quad w_3 = w_1(1 + u^{-4}) & \quad w_4 = w_7 = w_2 \\
 w_5 = w_3 = w_9 & \quad w_6 = w_8 = w_1 & \quad w_{10} = w_2(1 - u^{-12}) & \quad w_{11} = w_2(1 - u^{-8}) \\
 w_{12} = w_1(1 - u^{-8}) & \quad w_{13} = 0 & & \\
 q_1 = u^{-2}w_1 & \quad q_2 = -u^{-4}q_1 & \quad q_3 = q_5 = q_1 & \\
 q_4 = q_6 = q_2 & \quad q_7 = u^{-4}w_1 & \quad q_8 = -u^{-8}w_1 & \quad q_9 = u^{-2}w_2 \\
 q_{10} = u^{-12}w_1 & \quad q_{11} = -u^{-6}w_2 & \quad q_{12} = u^{-10}w_2 & \quad q_{13} = u^{-2}w_3 \\
 q_{14} = -u^{-8}w_1 & \quad q_{15} = -u^{-6}w_3 & \quad q_{16} = u^{-12}w_1 & \quad q_{17} = u^{-4}w_1 \\
 q_{18} = u^{-2}w_3. & & & 
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

Thus, based on the Witten version and Reshetikhin discussions [11, 14] we know that the eight-dimensional case of  $B_3$  is similar to the case of  $G_2$  as discussed in [11].



**4. The representation of the braid group and the polynomials associated with the six-dimensional representation of  $A_2$**

We now turn to carry out the arguments shown in [11, 14] for the case of six-dimensional representations of  $A_2$ . In this case the decomposition is

$$6 \otimes 6 = \oplus E_i = 15_s \oplus 15_a \oplus 6_s.$$

The corresponding eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$ , respectively. The corresponding Casimirs are

$$\Delta_R = \frac{20}{3} \quad \Delta_1 = \frac{32}{3} \quad \Delta_2 = \frac{56}{3} \quad \Delta_3 = \frac{20}{30}$$

which give the eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = v^4 \quad \lambda_2 = -v^{-2} \quad \lambda_3 = v^{-5} \tag{4.1}$$

where

$$v = \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi i}{3} \frac{4}{C_v + k}\right). \tag{4.2}$$

The framing factor is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_b S_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} &= A = v^{10} \\ \sum_b (S^{-1})_{ab}^{ab} h_{bb} &= A^{-1} = v^{-10} \end{aligned} \tag{4.3}$$

where

$$h_{aa} = v^{L(a)}$$

and

$$L(a) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}(a/2 + 1) & a = 6, 2 \\ 1 & a = 0, -2 \\ \frac{3}{2}a + 3 & a = -4, -6. \end{cases}$$

Using the eigenvalues and the framing factor it is easy to write out the skein relation in the form

$$P(L_{2+}) = \alpha^{1/2} \beta P(L_+) + \alpha \gamma P(L_0) + \alpha^{3/2} \delta P(L_-)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= v^4 - v^{-2} + v^{-5} & \gamma &= v^2 - v^{-1} + v^{-7} & \delta &= -v^{-3} \\ \alpha &= \bar{\tau} / \tau = v^{-20}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $v = \bar{\tau}^{-1}$  we obtain

$$P(L_{2+}) = \bar{\tau}^{10} (\bar{\tau}^5 - \bar{\tau}^2 + \bar{\tau}^{-4}) P(L_+) + \bar{\tau}^{20} (\bar{\tau}^7 - \bar{\tau} + \bar{\tau}^{-2}) P(L_0) - \bar{\tau}^{33} P(L_-). \tag{4.4}$$

To determine the explicit form of the BGR we first specify the weight conservation conditions. The weight vectors under the case are

$$\begin{aligned} W_6 &= \frac{2}{3}(2, -1, -1) & W_2 &= \frac{1}{3}(1, 1, -2) \\ W_0 &= \frac{1}{3}(1, -2, 1) & W_{-2} &= \frac{2}{3}(-1, 2, -1) \\ W_{-4} &= \frac{1}{3}(-2, 1, 1) & W_{-6} &= -\frac{2}{3}(1, 1, -2) \end{aligned}$$

where the label set of the weights has been taken to be  $(6, 2, 0, -2, -4, -6)$  in accordance with the weight conservation.

To write down the block diagonal submatrices of  $S$  we list the requirements due to the weight conservation as the following:

$W_6 + W_6$	$1 \otimes 1$ matrix		
$W_6 + W_2$	$2 \otimes 2$ matrix	$W_6 + W_0$	$2 \otimes 2$ matrix
$2W_2 = W_6 + W_{-2}$	$3 \otimes 3$ matrix	$W_6 + W_{-4} = W_2 + W_0$	$4 \otimes 4$ matrix
$2W_0 = W_6 + W_{-6}$	$5 \otimes 5$ matrix	$W_2 + W_{-6} = W_0 + W_{-4}$	$5 \otimes 5$ matrix
$W_2 + W_{-4} = W_0 + W_{-2}$	$4 \otimes 4$ matrix		
$W_{-6} + W_0$	$(\neq)$	$W_{-4} + W_{-2}$	$4 \otimes 4$ matrix
$W_{-6} + W_{-2} = 2W_{-4}$			$3 \otimes 3$ matrix
$W_{-6} + W_{-4}$			$2 \otimes 2$ matrix
$W_{-6} + W_{-6}$			$1 \otimes 1$ matrix

We therefore have the general form:

$$S = \text{block Diag}(A_1, A_2^{(1)}, A_2^{(2)}, A_3^{(1)}, A_4^{(1)}, A_5^{(1)}, A_4^{(2)}, A_5^{(2)}, A_4^{(3)}, A_3^{(2)}, A_2^{(3)}, A_1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= u_1 & A_2^{(1)} &= A_2^{(2)} = A_2^{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_1 \\ p_1 & w_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_3^{(1)} &= A_3^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_2 & \\ & u_2 & q_1 \\ p_2 & q_1 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} & A_4^{(1)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_3 & \\ & p_4 & q_2 \\ p_4 & w_4 & q_3 \\ p_3 & q_2 & q_3 & w_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_4^{(2)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_7 & \\ & p_8 & q_2 \\ p_8 & 0 & q_2 \\ p_7 & q_2 & q_2 & w_7 \end{bmatrix} & A_4^{(3)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_1 & \\ & p_1 & 0 \\ p_1 & w_1 & 0 \\ p_1 & 0 & 0 & w_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_5^{(1)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_5 & \\ & u_2 & 0 & q_5 \\ p_6 & 0 & w_6 & 0 \\ p_5 & 0 & q_5 & 0 & w_5 \end{bmatrix} & A_5^{(2)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_3 & \\ & u_1 & 0 & 0 \\ p_4 & 0 & w_4 & q_3 \\ p_3 & q_2 & 0 & q_3 & w_3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The same method can be used to determine the parameters appearing in the submatrices  $A_i$  as done in section 3.

First we take the traces of  $A_i$  that give

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 & u_2 + W_2 &= \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 \\ w_3 + w_4 &= \lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 \\ u_2 + w_5 + w_6 &= 2\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 & w_7 &= \lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + \lambda_3. \end{aligned}$$

Equation (4.3) proves six-constraint conditions and the parameters  $p$  and  $q$  should be determined by the diagrams with annihilations. Putting all the solutions together we have

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= v^4 & u_2 &= v & w_1 = w_6 &= v^4 - v^{-2} & w_2 = w_3 = w_5 &= w_1(1 - v^{-3}) \\ w_4 &= v - v^{-2} & w_7 &= v^4 - 2v^{-2} + v^{-5} \\ p_1 = p_6 &= v & p_2 = p_3 = p_5 = p_8 &= v^{-2} & p_4 = p_7 &= v^{-1/2} \\ q_1 &= v^{-3/2}w_1 & q_2 &= v^{-3/2}w_4(1 + v^3)^{1/2} \\ q_3 &= v^{3/2}q_2 & q_5 &= v^{-3/2}w_1 = q_1. \end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

It is able to compute the simple link polynomials such as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Diagram 1} &= \bar{t}^{18}(\bar{t}^{-12} + \bar{t}^{-3} + 1 + \bar{t}^6 + \bar{t}^9 + \bar{t}^{12}) \\ \text{Diagram 2} &= \bar{t}^{45} - \bar{t}^{39} - \bar{t}^{36} - \bar{t}^{27} + \bar{t}^{24} + \bar{t}^{21} + \bar{t}^{12}. \end{aligned}$$

We thus complete the braid group representations associated with the six-dimensional representation of  $A_2$  based on combining the general discussion with Witten’s approach and the extended diagrammatic calculations [11, 14, 15].

**5. The associated quantum algebras**

The general theory was discussed first by Reshetikhin, Takhtajan and Faddeev, see [13, 22], based on the algebraic functions of quantum  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $C_q^n$  associated with the relation

$$f(\hat{R})(x \otimes x) = 0 \tag{5.1}$$

where  $f(\hat{R})$  is a polynomial of  $\hat{R} = PR$  as the usual notation.

We now want to give the quantum Lie algebras associated with six-dimensional representation of  $SU(3)$  using the RTF method [22]. The  $\hat{R}$  here is the braid group representation  $S$  in our notation. Supposing  $S$  has been known, for example, by the general derivation as shown in [22] or its concrete computation with the aid of Witten’s approach [14, 20], the projectors are then given. For the given eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  (with multiplicity  $m_1$ ),  $\dots$ ,  $\lambda_n$  (with multiplicity  $m_n$ ) the diagonal matrix is denoted by

$$\Lambda = \text{diag}(\underbrace{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_1}_{m_1}, \underbrace{\lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_2}_{m_2}, \dots, \underbrace{\lambda_n, \dots, \lambda_n}_{m_n})$$

with which the submatrices  $A_{(a)}$  can be expressed by

$$A_{(a)} = L\Lambda^{(a)}L^t \tag{5.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{(a)(\alpha)(\delta)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \sum_{\beta=\sum_{j=1}^i m_j}^{\sum_{j=1}^i m_j} L_{(\alpha)(\beta)}^{(a)} L_{(\beta)(\delta)}^{(a)} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i P_{i(\alpha)(\delta)}^{(a)} \end{aligned} \tag{5.3}$$

where  $(\alpha), (\beta), \dots$ , are the double indices of the matrix  $S$  and  $(a)$  indicates the submatrix. Note that  $m_0 = 0$ .

The  $P_i^{(a)}$  stand for the projectors relating with the submatrices  $A_{(a)}$ :

$$P_i^{(a)} = \prod_{j \neq i} (A_{(a)} - \lambda_j) \left( \prod_{j \neq i} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \right)^{-1}. \tag{5.4}$$

Following RTF it is easy to write the quantum Lie algebras with the help of  $L^t$  where  $L^t$  is the transpose of  $L$ . For instance, in the case of spin 1 ( $O(3)$ ) the eigenvalues are  $\lambda = t, -t$  and  $t^{-2}$  and correspondingly for the largest submatrix

$$L^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1/a^{1/2} & -t^{1/2}(1+t)/a^{1/2} & t^2/a^{1/2} \\ 1/b^{1/2} & t^{-1/2}(1-t)/b^{1/2} & -1/b^{1/2} \\ t/c^{1/2} & t^{1/2}/c^{1/2} & 1/c^{1/2} \end{bmatrix} \tag{5.5}$$

where

$$a = 1 + t(1+t)^2 + t^4 \quad b = t + t^{-1} \quad c = 1 + t + t^2.$$

Keeping in mind the implications of the label set of  $S$  it is easy to read the corresponding commutation relations of the quantum algebras. They are

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } \lambda_1 = t & \quad x_1 x_{-1} + t^2 x_{-1} x_1 = t^{1/2}(1+t)x_0^2 \\ \text{for } \lambda_2 = -t^{-1} & \quad x_1 x_{-1} - x_{-1} x_1 = -t^{-1/2}(1-t)x_0^2 \\ \text{for } \lambda_3 = t^{-2} & \quad t x_1 x_{-1} + x_{-1} x_1 = -t^{1/2}x_0^2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $t = q^{-1}$ , in comparison to [22].

Now we turn to the case of section 4. For convenience in the following we use  $\bar{S} = v^{-1}S$  instead of  $S$  and put

$$v^3 = t$$

in (4.5). Corresponding to the submatrices  $\bar{A}_2, \bar{A}_3, \bar{A}_4^{(1)}, \bar{A}_4^{(2)}, \bar{A}_4^{(3)}, \bar{A}_5^{(1)}$ , and  $\bar{A}_5^{(2)}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{L}_2 &= \frac{1}{(1+t^2)^{1/2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -t \\ t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \bar{L}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1/a' & -1/b' & t/c' \\ (1/a')t^{1/2}(1+t) & (1/b')t^{-1/2}(1-t) & -t^{1/2}/c' \\ t^2/a' & 1/b' & 1/c' \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a' &= (1+t+2t^2+t^3+t^4)^{1/2} \\ b' &= (t+t^{-1})^{1/2} \quad c' = (1+t+t^2)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

By specifying the labelled set (6, 2, 0, -2, -4, -6) we obtain

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_6x_0 + tx_0x_6 = 0 \\ x_6x_2 + tx_2x_6 = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for } \bar{\lambda}_1 = t$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -tx_6x_2 + x_2x_6 = 0 \\ -tx_6x_0 + x_0x_6 = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for } \bar{\lambda}_2 = -t^{-1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} x_6x_{-2} + t^{1/2}(1+t)x_2x_2 + t^2x_{-2}x_6 = 0 & \text{ for } \bar{\lambda}_1 = t \\ -x_6x_{-2} + t^{-1/2}(1-t)x_2x_2 + x_{-2}x_6 = 0 & \text{ for } \bar{\lambda}_2 = -t^{-1} \\ tx_6x_{-2} - t^{1/2}x_2x_2 + x_{-2}x_6 = 0 & \text{ for } \bar{\lambda}_3 = t^{-2}. \end{aligned}$$

Because of the multiplicities of the eigenvalues appearing in the submatrices, such as the  $\bar{A}_4$  type and  $\bar{A}_5$  type, we have to perform the orthogonalisations to the corresponding eigenvalue vectors. The results are shown as the following:

$$\bar{L}_4^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} t^{-1}/\alpha & 0 & -(1+t)^{1/2}/\gamma & t^2/\delta \\ \frac{1}{\alpha}t^{-1/2}(1+t)^{1/2} & -\frac{t^{1/2}}{\beta} & \frac{1}{\gamma}t^{1/2}(t^{-1}-1) & -\frac{t^2}{\delta}(1+t)^{-1/2} \\ \frac{1}{\alpha}(1+t)^{1/2} & \frac{1}{\beta} & \frac{1-t}{\gamma} & -\frac{t^{3/2}}{\delta}(1+t)^{-1/2} \\ \frac{t}{\alpha} & 0 & \frac{1}{\gamma}(1+t)^{1/2} & \frac{t}{\delta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{L}_4^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{t^{-1}}{\alpha}(1+t)^{1/2} & 0 & -\frac{t^{1/2}}{d}(1+t)^{1/2} & \frac{t^2}{e} \\ \frac{1}{\alpha} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{t^{1/2}}{2d}(t^{-1}-t) & -\frac{t}{e}(1+t)^{1/2} \\ \frac{1}{\alpha} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{t^{1/2}}{2d}(t^{-1}-t) & -\frac{t}{e}(1+t)^{1/2} \\ \frac{t^{1/2}}{\alpha}(1+t)^{1/2} & 0 & \frac{1}{d}(1+t)^{1/2} & \frac{t^{1/2}}{e} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 &= t^2 + t + 2 + t^{-1} + t^{-2} \\ \beta^2 &= 1 + t & \gamma^2 &= t^2 + t + 1 + t^{-1} & \delta^2 &= t^4 + t^3 + t^2 \\ d^2 &= \frac{1}{2}(t + t^{-1})(1+t)^2 & e^2 &= t^4 + 2t^3 + 2t^2 + t. \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{L}_4^{(3)} = \frac{1}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -t \\ 0 & 1 & -t & 0 \\ 0 & t & 1 & 0 \\ t & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\rho^2 = 1 + t^2$ .

$$\bar{L}_5^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{a} & 0 & -\frac{1}{b} & 0 & \frac{t}{c} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\rho} & 0 & -\frac{t}{\rho} & 0 \\ \frac{t^{1/2}}{a}(1+t) & 0 & \frac{t^{-1/2}}{b}(1-t) & 0 & -\frac{t^{1/2}}{c} \\ 0 & \frac{t}{\rho} & 0 & \frac{1}{\rho} & 0 \\ \frac{t^2}{a} & 0 & \frac{1}{b} & 0 & \frac{1}{c} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{L}_5^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{t^{-1}}{\alpha} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{(1+t)^{1/2}}{\gamma} & \frac{t^2}{\delta} \\ \frac{t^{-1/2}}{\alpha}(1+t)^{1/2} & -\frac{t^{1/2}}{\beta} & 0 & \frac{t^{1/2}(t^{-1}-1)}{\gamma} & \frac{-t^2}{\delta(1+t)^{1/2}} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{(1+t)^{1/2}}{\alpha} & \frac{1}{\beta} & 0 & \frac{1-t}{\gamma} & \frac{-t^{3/2}}{\delta(1+t)^{1/2}} \\ \frac{t}{\alpha} & 0 & 0 & \frac{(1+t)^{1/2}}{\gamma} & \frac{t}{\delta} \end{bmatrix}.$$

For  $\bar{\lambda}_1 = t$ :

$$\begin{aligned} t^{-1}x_6x_{-4} + t^{-1/2}(1+t)^{1/2}x_2x_0 + (1+t)^{1/2}x_0x_2 + tx_{-4}x_6 &= 0 \\ t^{-1}(1+t)^{1/2}x_2x_{-4} + x_0x_{-2} + x_{-2}x_0 + t^{1/2}(1+t)^{1/2}x_{-4}x_2 &= 0 \\ x_0x_{-6} + tx_{-6}x_0 &= 0 \quad x_{-2}x_{-4} + x_{-4}x_{-2} = 0 \\ x_6x_{-6} + t^{1/2}(1+t)x_0 + t^2x_{-6}x_6 &= 0 \\ x_2x_{-2} + tx_{-2}x_2 &= 0 \\ t^{-1}x_2x_{-6} + t^{-1/2}(1+t)^{1/2}x_0x_{-4} + (1+t)^{1/2}x_{-4}x_0 + tx_{-6}x_2 &= 0 \\ x_{-2}x_{-2} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\bar{\lambda}_2 = -t^{-1}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} -t^{1/2}x_2x_0 + x_0x_2 &= 0 \\ -(1+t)^{1/2}x_6x_{-4} + t^{-1/2}(1-t)x_2x_0 + (1-t)x_0x_2 + (1+t)^{1/2}x_{-4}x_6 &= 0 \\ -x_0x_{-2} + x_{-2}x_0 &= 0 \\ -t^{1/2}(1+t)^{1/2}x_2x_{-4} + t^{1/2}(t^{-1}-t)(x_0x_{-2} + x_{-2}x_0) + (1+t)^{1/2}x_{-4}x_2 &= 0 \\ -tx_{-2}x_{-4} + x_{-4}x_{-2} &= 0 \quad -tx_0x_{-6} + x_{-6}x_2 = 0 \\ -tx_2x_{-2} + x_{-2}x_2 &= 0 \quad -x_6x_{-6} + t^{-1/2}(1-t)x_0x_0 + x_{-6}x_6 = 0 \\ -t^{1/2}x_0x_{-4} + x_{-4}x_0 &= 0 \\ -(1+t)^{1/2}x_2x_6 + t^{1/2}(t^{-1}-1)x_0x_{-4} + (1-t)x_{-4}x_0 + (1+t)^{1/2}x_{-6}x_2 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\bar{\lambda}_3 = t^{-2}$ :

$$tx_6x_{-4} - t(1+t)^{-1/2}x_2x_0 - t^{1/2}(1+t)^{-1/2}x_0x_2 + x_{-4}x_6 = 0$$

$$t^2x_2x_{-4} - t(1+t)^{1/2}x_0x_{-2} - t(1+t)^{1/2}x_{-2}x_0 + t^{1/2}x_{-4}x_2 = 0$$

$$t^{1/2}x_6x_{-6} + t^{-1/2}x_{-6}x_6 = x_0x_0$$

$$tx_2x_{-6} - t(1+t)^{-1/2}x_0x_{-4} - t^{1/2}(1+t)^{-1/2}x_{-4}x_0 + x_{-6}x_2 = 0.$$

We have thus listed all of the commutation relations obeyed by the quantum algebras associated with the six-dimensional representation of  $SU(3)$  in terms of the explicit forms of the projectors.

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