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# Quantum master equation on cyclic cochains and categorical Gromov-Witten invariants.

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$(A, m)$  is a  $d\text{-}\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  graded associative algebra with odd scalar product  $\beta$ ,  $\dim_k A < \infty$ .

$H$  is an odd selfadjoint operator  $H : A \rightarrow \Pi A$ ,  $H^\vee = H$ , such that  $Id - [d, H] = P$ ,  $dP = 0$ ,  $P^2 = P$ .  $B$  - the image of  $P$ .

Let  $\Gamma$  be a 3-valent ribbon graph with legs, then put:

- on every vertex  $v \rightarrow$  the 3-tensors of the cyclic product on  $A$

$$m^v \in ((\Pi A)^{\otimes 3})^\vee$$

- on every interior edge  $e = (ff') \rightarrow$  the two tensor

$$\beta^\vee(H^\vee u_f, v_{f'}), \beta_{H'}^{\vee, e} \in (\Pi A)^{\otimes 2},$$

- on every leg  $l \in \text{Leg}(\Gamma) \rightarrow$  element  $a_l \in \Pi B$
- make the contraction

$$W_\Gamma \left( \bigotimes_{l \in \text{Leg}(\Gamma)} a_l \right) = \left\langle \bigotimes_{v \in \text{Vert}(\Gamma)} m^v, \left( \bigotimes_{e \in \text{Edge}(\Gamma)} \beta_{H'}^{\vee, e} \right) \bigotimes_{l \in \text{Leg}(\Gamma)} a_l \right\rangle$$

The summation over 3-valent ribbon graphs with legs  
(cont'd).

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$$S = \sum_{\{\Gamma\}} \hbar^{1-\chi(\Gamma)} W_{\Gamma}$$

- $S \in \text{Sym}(\oplus_{j=1}^{\infty} \text{Hom}((\Pi B^{\otimes j}), k)^{\mathbb{Z}/j\mathbb{Z}})[[\hbar]]$

**Theorem** (S.B.[2009a]) The sum  
over 3-valent ribbon graphs  $S$  satisfy the  
QMECC/noncommutative Batalin-Vilkovisky equation:

$$\hbar \Delta_{NC} S + \frac{1}{2} \{S, S\} = 0$$

- Let  $V = V_0 \oplus V_1$  be  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -graded vector space,  $\dim_k V < \infty$ , with scalar product  $\beta : V^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow k[p]$  of degree  $p \bmod 2$
- $C^\lambda = (\oplus_{j=1}^{\infty} \text{Hom}((\Pi V^{\otimes j}), k)^{\mathbb{Z}/j\mathbb{Z}})$ ,  
 $S \in \text{Sym}(C^\lambda [1 - p])[[\hbar]]$  (symmetric for the odd product  $\beta$ , antisymmetric for the even  $\beta$ )
- The noncommutative BV differential on  $F = \text{Sym}(C^\lambda [1 - p])$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Delta_{NC}(a_{\rho_1} \dots a_{\rho_r})^\lambda (a_{\tau_1} \dots a_{\tau_t})^\lambda = \\
& = \sum_{p,q} (-1)^\varepsilon \beta_{\rho_p \tau_q}^\vee (a_{\rho_1} \dots a_{\rho_{p-1}} a_{\tau_{q+1}} \dots a_{\tau_{q-1}} a_{\rho_{p+1}} \dots a_{\rho_r})^\lambda + \\
& \sum_{p \pm 1 \neq q} (-1)^{\tilde{\varepsilon}} \beta_{\rho_p \rho_q}^\vee (\dots a_{\rho_{p-1}} a_{\rho_{q+1}} \dots a_{\rho_r})^\lambda (a_{\rho_{p+1}} \dots a_{\rho_{q-1}})^\lambda (a_{\tau_1} \dots a_{\tau_t})^\lambda \\
& \sum_{p \pm 1 \neq q} (-1)^{\tilde{\tilde{\varepsilon}}} \beta_{\tau_p \tau_q}^\vee (\dots a_{\rho_r})^\lambda (a_{\tau_1} \dots a_{\tau_{p-1}} a_{\tau_{q+1}} \dots a_{\tau_t})^\lambda (a_{\tau_{p+1}} \dots a_{\tau_{q-1}})^\lambda
\end{aligned}$$

- signs are the standard Koszul signs taking into account that  $(a_{\rho_1} \dots a_{\rho_r})^\lambda = 1 - p + \sum \bar{a}_{\rho_i}$ ,  $a_i \in \text{Hom}(\Pi V)$ .

**Theorem** (S.B.[2006a])  $\Delta_{NC}^2 = 0$

- The Quantum Master equation on Cyclic Cochains / The noncommutative Batalin-Vilkovisky equation (S.B.[2006a])

$$\hbar \Delta_{NC} S + \frac{1}{2} \{S, S\} = 0 \quad \text{QMCC}$$

$$S = \sum_{g \geq 0, i > 0} \hbar^{2g-1+i} S_{g,i}, \quad S_{g,i} \in \text{Sym}^i(\cdot).$$

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$$\{S_{0,1}, S_{0,1}\} = 0,$$

$S_{0,1}$  -  $A_\infty$ - algebra with (even/odd) scalar product, so  $S$ -*multiloop, higher genus* generalization of  $A_\infty$ - algebra.

- (QMCC)  $\iff \Delta_{NC}(\exp \frac{1}{\hbar} S) = 0$
- It is natural to call it the “*noncommutative BV*” differential because if the previous summation is over usual graphs with no cyclic orders at  $v \in \text{Vert}(G)$  then it gives solutions to the standard BV.

A *stable ribbon graph* is a connected graph  $G$  (recall: a graph  $G$  is a triple  $(Flag(G), \lambda, \sigma)$ , where  $Flag(G)$  is a finite set, whose elements are called flags,  $\lambda$  is a partition of  $Flag(G) \leftrightarrow$  vertices,  $\sigma$  is an involution acting on  $Flag(G) \leftrightarrow$  edges/legs) together with:

- partitions of the set of flags adjacent to every vertex into  $i(v)$  subsets

$$Leg(v) = Leg(v)^{(1)} \sqcup \dots \sqcup Leg(v)^{(i(v))}, v \in Vert(G)$$

- fixed cyclic order on every subset  $Leg(v)^{(k)}$ ,
- a map  $g : Vert(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that for any vertex  $2(2g(v) + i(v) - 2) + n(v) > 0$ .
- $\oplus_{\{G\}} k(G, or(G))$ ,  
 $or(G) \in Det(\otimes_{v \in Vert(G)} (k^{Flag(v)} \oplus k^{Cycle(v)}))$  has natural  
 “generalized contraction of edges” differential  $\delta_{graph}$

Let  $S \in \text{Sym}(C^\lambda [1 - \rho])[[\hbar]]$  be a solution to the QMCC, with  $S_{0,1,2} = 0$  ( $d_V = 0$ ), let  $\Gamma$  be a *stable* ribbon graph, then put:

- on every vertex  $v \rightarrow$  the multi-cyclic tensors

$$S_{g,i}^v \in \text{Sym}(\oplus_{j=1}^i \text{Hom}((\Pi V^{\otimes j}), k)^{\mathbb{Z}/j\mathbb{Z}} [1 - \rho])$$

- on every edge  $e = (ff') \rightarrow$  the two tensor

$$\beta^v(u_f, v_{f'}), \beta^{v,e} \in (\Pi V)^{\otimes 2},$$

- take the contraction  $W_\Gamma = \left\langle \bigotimes_{v \in \text{Vert}(\Gamma)} S_{g,i}^v, \left( \bigotimes_{e \in \text{Edge}(\Gamma)} \beta^{v,e} \right) \right\rangle$

**Theorem** (S.B.[2006a]) For any  $S$ - a solution to the QMCC equation the following chain is a cycle in the *stable ribbon* graph complex

$$W(S) = \sum_{\{\Gamma\} \in \text{SRG}} \hbar^{1-\chi(\Sigma_\Gamma)} W_\Gamma [\Gamma]$$

$$\delta_{\text{graph}} W(S) = 0,$$

therefore  $[W(S)] \in H_* (\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{*,*})$



A metric on the stable ribbon graph is a function  $l : \text{Edge}(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . Given a stable ribbon graph  $G$  w/out legs and a metric on  $G$  one can construct by standard procedure a punctured Riemann surface  $\Sigma(G)$ , which will have double points in general.

- replace every edge by oriented open strip  $[0, l] \times ] - i\infty, +i\infty[$  and glue them for each cyclically ordered subset of each vertex according to the cyclic order.
- identify points corresponding to 2 subsets at vertices with  $g(v) = 0, i(v) = 2$ , (double points); for points with  $2g(v) + i(v) > 2$  remplace the vertex by the Riemann surface of genus  $g(v)$ , which does not contain any marked point, connected to the rest via  $i(v)$  double points.

- This gives an isomorphism of complexes

$$\left( \bigoplus_{\{G\} \in \text{SRG}} k[(G, \text{or}(G)], \delta_{\text{graph}} \right) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{g,v} C_*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}'_{g,v} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^v / \mathbb{S}_v)$$

## More constructions of solutions to the QMCC equation

- **Conjecture** (S.B.[2006a]). Counting of holomorphic curves  $(\Sigma, \partial\Sigma, p_i) \rightarrow (M, \coprod L_i, \oplus H_*(L_i \cap L_j))$ , with  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -graded local systems, gives solution to the QMCC equation.
- **Theorem** (S.B.[2013]) If  $A$  is an  $A_\infty$ -infinity algebra with the degeneration of the Hodge to de Rham spectral sequence, then the solution to the QMCC can be constructed step by step starting from  $\{S_{0,1}, S_{0,1}\} = 0$

# Homotopy theory of the QMCC eq

- **Theorem** (S.B.[2006a]) Solutions to the QMCC eq are in one-to-one correspondence with the structure of algebra over modular operad, which is the *Feynman transform* of  $\widehat{k[\mathbb{S}_n]}$
- **Theorem** (S.B.[2006a])  $H_*$ (The Feynman transform of  $\widehat{k[\mathbb{S}_n]}(0, \gamma, \nu) \simeq H^*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}'_{g,\nu}/\mathbb{S}_\nu)$

# Construction of cohomology classes in $H^*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}'_{g,v}/S_v)$

- $A$ - associative algebra , with odd scalar product
- Assume:  $I$  - an *odd derivation* acting on  $A$ , preserving the scalar product: , in general  $I^2 \neq 0$  (!),  $\exists \tilde{I}, [I, \tilde{I}] = 1$ ,  $str([a, \cdot]) = 0$  for any  $a \in A$ .
- **Theorem** (S.B.[2006b, 2009b]) This data  $\rightarrow$  Cohomology classes in  $H^*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}'_{g,n})$
- Example  $q(N)$ ,  $q(N) = \{[X, \pi] = 0 | X \in gl(N|N)\}$  , where  $\pi$ -odd involution,  $q(N)$  has *odd trace*  $otr$ ,  $I = [\Xi, \cdot]$ ,  $\Xi$ -odd element  $\Xi = (0 \quad | \quad diag(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n))$ , ( $I^2 \neq 0$  (!))
- **Theorem** (S.B.[2009b]) This is the generating function for products of tautological classes  $c_1(T_i)$ .

- **Conjecture** (S.B.[2009b]) This construction, applied to  $A_\infty$ -algebra  $A = \text{End}(C)$ ,  $C$  is a generating object of the  $D^b(\text{Coh}(Y))$ ,  $Y$  is the mirror dual Calabi-Yau manifold to  $X$   
 $\rightarrow \dots$
- $\rightarrow$  all genus Gromov-Witten invariants of  $X$

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