

On q -deformed Whittaker functions

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• **Wittaker functions.** Let G be a (quasi)-split real connected reductive group. The Iwasawa decomposition:

$$G = U \cdot A \cdot K \quad A = \{e^{x_1}, \dots, e^{x_N}\}$$

In the case $G = GL(N, \mathbb{R})$ we have $U = \|n_{ij}\|_{i < j}$.

Definition 1 *The Whittaker function $\Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(z)$ is a smooth function on symmetric space X (either $X = G/K$, or $X = G/B$ for $B = UA$) analytic in $\underline{\gamma}$, such that for any $n \in U$*

$$\Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(nz) = \exp \left\{ 2\pi i \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} n_{i,i+1} \right\} \Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(z)$$

and

$$\mathcal{H}_r(\underline{x}) \cdot \Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(\underline{x}) = \left(\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i^r \right) \Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(\underline{x})$$

1. The function $\Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(z)$ is the Fourier coefficient of Maaß form;
2. $\Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(z)$ is the matrix element of (infinite-dimensional) principal series representation $\text{Ind}_B^G \chi_{\underline{\gamma}}$;
3. For p-adic Whittaker function the Shintani-Casselmann-Shalika formula holds:

$$\Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}^{\mathfrak{g}(\mathbb{Q}_p)}(\underline{x}) = \text{Tr}_V \prod_{i=1}^N z_i^{E_{ii}}$$

4. (B. Kostant) $\Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}(z)$ is the Toda chain wave function
5. (A. Givental) The q -deformed Whittaker function equals an equivariant Euler characteristic of the loop space $L_+ X = \text{Map}^+(S^1, X)$.

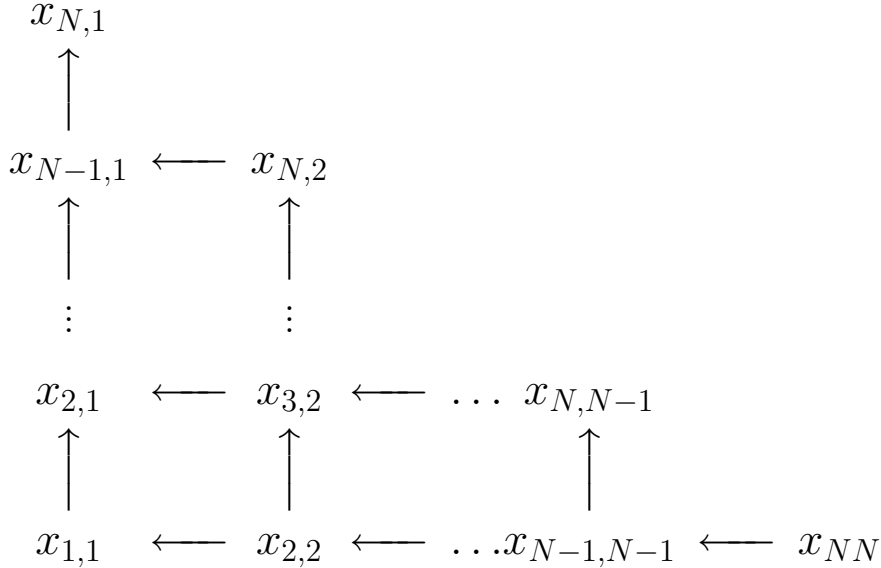
- In 1996 Givental proposed an integral formula for the common eigenfunction of $GL(N, \mathbb{R})$ -Toda Hamiltonians:

$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} e^{x_i - x_{i+1}}.$$

$$\Psi_{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_N}(x_{N,1}, \dots, x_{N,N}) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} e^{\frac{1}{\hbar} \mathcal{F}_N(x)} \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} \prod_{i=1}^k dx_{k,i},$$

where $T_{N,i} := T_i$, $\mathcal{C} = \mathbb{R}^{N(N-1)/2} \subset \{\exp(T_{k,i})\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_N(T) = & i \sum_{k=1}^N \gamma_k \left(\sum_{i=1}^k x_{k,i} - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} x_{k-1,i} \right) - \\ & \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^k \left(e^{x_{k+1,i} - x_{k,i}} + e^{x_{k,i} - x_{k+1,i+1}} \right) \end{aligned}$$



To an arrow $x \longrightarrow x'$ the function $e^{x'-x}$ is assigned.

• In 2000 Kharchev and Lebedev introduced another integral representation (of Mellin-Barnes type) of $GL(N, \mathbb{R})$ -Whittaker function.

$$\Psi_{\underline{\gamma}}^{\mathfrak{gl}_N}(\underline{x}) = \int_{\mathcal{S}} \prod_{n=1}^{N-1} \frac{\prod_{m=1}^{n+1} \prod_{k=1}^n \Gamma\left(\frac{\nu\gamma_{n+1,m} - \nu\gamma_{n,k}}{\hbar}\right)}{\prod_{s \neq p} \Gamma\left(\frac{\nu\gamma_{n,s} - \nu\gamma_{n,p}}{\hbar}\right)} \cdot \exp\left\{\nu x_n \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \gamma_{n,j} - \sum_{j=1}^N \gamma_{n-1,j}\right)\right\} \prod_{\substack{n=1 \\ j \leq n}}^{N-1} d\gamma_{nj}$$

where

$$\underline{\gamma} = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_N) = (\gamma_{N,1}, \dots, \gamma_{NN})$$

$$\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_N) = (x_{N,1}, \dots, x_{NN})$$

Domain of the integration \mathcal{S} is defined by

$$\min_j \{\text{Im } \gamma_{kj}\} > \max_m \{\text{Im } \gamma_{k+1,m}\} \quad k = 1, \dots, N-1$$

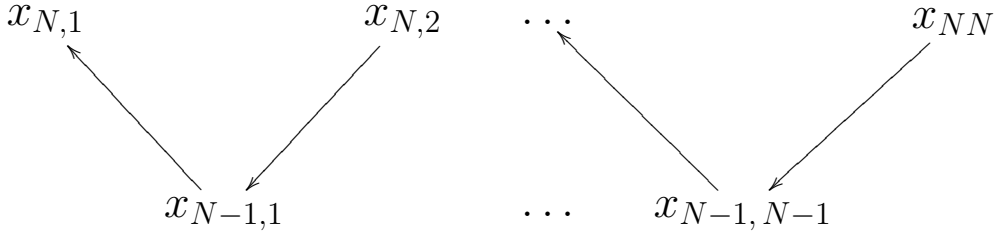
The **Gelfand-Zetlin pattern** is

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} \gamma_{N,1} & & \gamma_{N,2} & & \dots & & \gamma_{N,N-1} & & \gamma_{NN} \\ & \gamma_{N-1,1} & & \gamma_{N-1,2} & & \dots & & \gamma_{N-1,N-1} & \\ & & \dots & & \dots & & \dots & & \\ & & & \gamma_{21} & & \gamma_{22} & & & \\ & & & & \gamma_{11} & & & & \end{array}$$

- Introduce a pair of (dual) recursive integral operators:

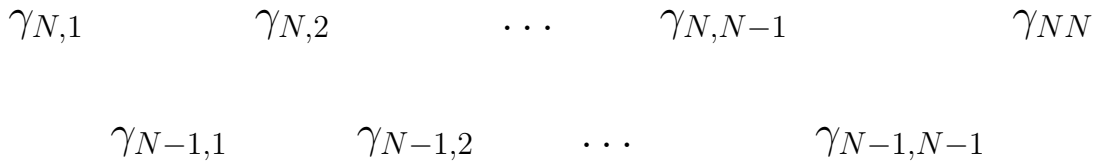
$$Q_{\mathfrak{gl}_{N-1}}^{\mathfrak{gl}_N}(\underline{x}_N; \underline{x}_{N-1} | \gamma_N) = \exp \left\{ \imath \gamma_N \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_{N,i} - \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} x_{N-1,i} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left(e^{x_{N,i} - x_{N-1,i}} + e^{x_{N-1,i} - x_{N,i+1}} \right) \right\}$$

corresponding to Givental diagram



$${}^{\vee}Q_{\mathfrak{gl}_{N-1}}^{\mathfrak{gl}_N}(\underline{\gamma}_N, \underline{\gamma}_{N-1} | x_N) = \prod_{j=1}^N \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} \Gamma \left(\frac{\imath \gamma_{N,j} - \imath \gamma_{N-1,k}}{\hbar} \right) \cdot \exp \left\{ \imath x_N \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \gamma_{N,j} - \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \gamma_{N-1,k} \right) \right\}$$

corresponding to the Gelfand-Tsetlin pattern



• **Macdonald polynomials.** Let $\underline{\lambda} = (\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_N)$ be a partition, then define

$$\mu_{\underline{\lambda}} = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_N} x_{\sigma(1)}^{\lambda_1} x_{\sigma(2)}^{\lambda_2} \cdots x_{\sigma(N)}^{\lambda_N}$$

$$\pi_{\underline{\lambda}} = \prod_{i=1}^N \pi_{\lambda_i} \quad \pi_n = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^n$$

On symmetric functions over $\mathbb{Q}(q, t)$ define a pairing by

$$\langle \pi_{\underline{\lambda}}, \pi_{\underline{\lambda}'} \rangle_{q,t} = \delta_{\underline{\lambda}, \underline{\lambda}'} \prod_{n \geq 1} n^{m_n} m_n! \prod_{\lambda_k \neq 0} \frac{1 - q^{\lambda_k}}{1 - t^{\lambda_k}}$$

where $m_n = |\{k \mid \lambda_k = n\}|$.

Definition 2 Macdonald polynomials $P_{\underline{\lambda}}(\underline{x} \mid q, t)$ are the symmetric functions over $\mathbb{Q}(q, t)$ such that

$$P_{\underline{\lambda}}(\underline{x} \mid q, t) = \mu_{\underline{\lambda}} + \sum_{\underline{\lambda}' \preceq \underline{\lambda}} u_{\underline{\lambda}', \underline{\lambda}} \mu_{\underline{\lambda}'} \quad u_{\underline{\lambda}', \underline{\lambda}} \in \mathbb{Q}(q, t)$$

$$\langle P_{\underline{\lambda}}(\underline{x}), P_{\underline{\lambda}'}(\underline{x}) \rangle_{q,t} = 0 \quad \underline{\lambda}' \neq \underline{\lambda}$$

Macdonald polynomials satisfy the following basic properties:

$$\prod_{i=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^N \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 - tx_i y_j q^n}{1 - x_i y_j q^n} = \sum_{\underline{\lambda}} P_{\underline{\lambda}}(\underline{x}) P_{\underline{\lambda}}^*(\underline{y}) \quad (1)$$

and

$$H_r P_{\underline{\lambda}}(\underline{x}) = c_r(q^{\underline{\lambda}}) P_{\underline{\lambda}}(\underline{x}) \quad c_r(q^{\underline{\lambda}}) = \sum_{I_r} \prod_{i \in I_r} q^{\lambda_i} t^{\varrho_i}$$

$$H_r = \sum_{I_r} t^{r(r-1)/2} \prod_{i \in I_r, j \notin I_r} \frac{tx_i - x_j}{x_i - x_j} \prod_{i \in I_r} T_{x_i}, \quad (2)$$

where $I_r = (i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r)$ for $r = 1, \dots, N$.

• **q -Whittaker function: The first formula.** Let $q < 1$, consider the limit $t = q^{-k} \rightarrow \infty$, $k \rightarrow \infty$ of $P_{\underline{\lambda}}(\underline{x}|q, t)$

$$\mathcal{P}^{(N)} := \left\{ p_{k,i} \mid p_{k+1,i} \geq p_{k,i} \geq p_{k+1,i+1} \right\} \subset \mathbb{Z}^{N(N-1)/2}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{N,N-1} := \left\{ \underline{p}_{N-1} \mid p_{N,i} \geq p_{N-1,i} \geq p_{N,i+1} \right\} \subset \mathcal{P}^{(N)}$$

Theorem 1 *The q -Whittaker function ${}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}_N)$ reads*

(I) *For \underline{p}_N being in the dominant domain $p_{N,1} \geq \dots \geq p_{N,N}$*

$${}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}_N) = \sum_{\underline{p}_k \in \mathcal{P}^{(N)}} \prod_{k=1}^N z_k^{|\underline{p}_k| - |\underline{p}_{k-1}|}$$

$$\cdot \frac{\prod_{k=2}^{N-1} \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} (p_{k,i} - p_{k,i+1})_q!}{\prod_{1 \leq i \leq k \leq N-1} (p_{k+1,i} - p_{k,i})_q! (p_{k,i} - p_{k+1,i+1})_q!},$$

(II) *When \underline{p}_N is outside the dominant domain ${}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}) = 0$.*

This formula admits a recursion with respect to the rank N :

$${}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}_N) = \sum_{\underline{p}_{N-1} \in \mathcal{P}_{N,N-1}} \Delta(\underline{p}_{N-1}) z_N^{|\underline{p}_N| - |\underline{p}_{N-1}|}$$

$$\cdot Q_{\mathfrak{gl}(N-1)}^{\mathfrak{gl}N}(\underline{p}_N, \underline{p}_{N-1} | q) {}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}'}(\underline{p}_{N-1}),$$

where $\underline{z}' = (z_1, \dots, z_{N-1})$, and

$$Q_{\mathfrak{gl}(N-1)}^{\mathfrak{gl}N}(\underline{p}_N, \underline{p}_{N-1} | q) = \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^{N-1} (p_{N,i} - p_{N-1,i})_q! (p_{N-1,i} - p_{N,i+1})_q!}$$

$$\Delta(\underline{p}_{N-1}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N-2} (p_{N-1,i} - p_{N-1,i+1})_q!$$

- In the limit $q \rightarrow 0$ when $p_{N,1} \geq \dots \geq p_{NN}$

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} {}^q \Psi_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}) = \sum_{\underline{p}_k \in \mathcal{P}^{(N)}} \prod_{k=1}^N z_k^{|\underline{p}_k| - |\underline{p}_{k-1}|} = \chi_{\underline{p}}(\underline{z})$$

- In the limit $q \rightarrow 1$ consider ${}^q \tilde{\Psi}_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}) := \Delta(\underline{p}_N)^q \Psi_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p})$

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} {}^q \tilde{\Psi}_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}) = \chi_N(\underline{z})^{p_{NN}} \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} \chi_k(\underline{z})^{p_{N,k} - p_{N,k+1}} = \text{Tr}_{V_{\mathfrak{f}}} \prod_{i=1}^N z_i^{E_{ii}}$$

$$V_{\mathfrak{f}} = V_{\varpi_N}^{\otimes p_{NN}} \bigotimes_{k=1}^{N-1} V_{\varpi_k}^{\otimes (p_{N,k} - p_{N,k+1})}$$

- For $w \in \widehat{W}$ the subspace $V^{[w, \varpi]}(\varpi) \subset V(\varpi)$ is 1-dim. Demazure module $V_w(\varpi) := U(\mathfrak{b}) \cdot V^{[w, \varpi]}(\varpi) \subset V(\varpi)$

$$\text{ch}_{V_w(\varpi)} = \sum_{\mu \in P} \dim V_w^{[\mu]}(\varpi) e^{\mu} = \mathcal{D}_{s_{i_1}} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathcal{D}_{s_{i_m}} \cdot e^{\varpi}$$

where $\mathcal{D}_{s_i} = \frac{1 - e^{-\alpha_i} s_i}{1 - e^{-\alpha_i}}$, and $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_m}$. Identify a set of \widehat{W} -orbits in \dot{P} with $\mathbb{Z} \times (\mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z}_N)$, and for $0 < i < N$ let

$$\varpi_{k,i} := k\varpi_N + \varpi_i = \underbrace{(k+1, \dots, k+1, k, \dots, k)}_i$$

be the representatives of the \widehat{W} -orbits. Besides, let us introduce the homomorphism $\pi : \mathbb{Z}[A] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[q; z_1, \dots, z_N]$ defined by $\pi(e^{\varpi_0}) = 1$, $\pi(e^{\varpi_k}) = z_1 \cdots z_k$, $0 < k \leq N$, and $\pi(e^{\delta}) = q$.

Theorem 2 *Let $\widehat{\varpi}_{k,i} := \varpi_0 + \varpi_{k,i}$, and let $w_{k,i} \in \widehat{W}$ be such that the projection of $w_{k,i} \cdot \widehat{\varpi}_{k,i}$ onto P is anti-dominant. Let $\Lambda_{k,i} := w_0 \cdot \varpi_{k,i}$; then the following holds.*

$${}^q \tilde{\Psi}_{\underline{z}}(\underline{p}_N) = q^{\frac{1}{2}(\varpi_{k,i}, \varpi_{k,i}) - \frac{1}{2}(\Lambda_{k,i}, \Lambda_{k,i})} \pi(\text{ch}_{V_{w_{k,i}}(\Lambda_{k,i})})$$

where $\underline{p}_N = \Lambda_{k,i}$.

• **q -Whittaker function: The second formula.**

Consider the limit $t \rightarrow 0$. Let $\{z_{k,i}; 1 \leq i \leq k \leq N\}$ with $z_{N,i} := z_i, 1 \leq i \leq N$.

Theorem 3 *In the dominant domain $p_{N,1} \geq \dots \geq p_{NN}$*

$$\begin{aligned} {}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}_N}(\underline{p}_N) &= \Gamma_q(q)^{\frac{(N-1)(N-2)}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq j \leq n \leq N-1} \oint \frac{dz_{n,j}}{2\pi i z_{n,j}} \\ &\cdot \prod_{1 \leq i \leq k \leq N} \left(\frac{z_{k,i}}{z_{k-1,i}} \right)^{p_{N,k}} \prod_{n=1}^{N-1} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \prod_{j=1}^n \Gamma_q(z_{n,j}^{-1} z_{n+1,i})}{n! \prod_{j \neq m} \Gamma_q(z_{n,m}^{-1} z_{n,j})} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Gamma_q(z) = \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 - zq^n}$$

The second formula also admits a recursion w.r.t. the rank N :

$$\begin{aligned} {}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}_N}(\underline{p}_N) &= \Gamma_q(q)^{N-2} \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} \oint \frac{dz_{N-1,k}}{2\pi i z_{N-1,k}} \left(\frac{z_{N,1} z_{N,2} \cdots z_{N,N}}{z_{N-1,1} \cdots z_{N-1,N-1}} \right)^{p_{NN}} \\ &\cdot {}^{\vee}\Delta(\underline{z}_{N-1}) \cdot {}^{\vee}Q_{\mathfrak{gl}_{N-1}}^{\mathfrak{gl}_N}(\underline{z}_N, \underline{z}_{N-1} | p_{NN} | q) \cdot {}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}_{N-1}}(\underline{p}'_N) \end{aligned}$$

where

$${}^{\vee}\Delta(\underline{z}_{N-1}) = \prod_{k \neq j} \Gamma_q\left(\frac{z_{N-1,k}}{z_{N-1,j}} \right)$$

and

$${}^{\vee}Q_{\mathfrak{gl}_{N-1}}^{\mathfrak{gl}_N}(\underline{z}_N, \underline{z}_{N-1} | p_{NN} | q) = \prod_{i=1}^N \prod_{k=1}^{N-1} \Gamma_q\left(\frac{z_{N,i}}{z_{N-1,k}} \right)$$

• **Link to Riemann-Roch-Hirzebruch formula.**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_d(\mathbb{P}^1) &:= \left\{ \text{holomorphic maps } \mathbb{P}^1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1 \text{ of degree } d \right\} \\ &= \left\{ a_1(y_1, y_2), a_2(y_1, y_2) \mid \deg a_i(\underline{y}) = d \right\} / \mathbb{C}^* \\ &= \mathbb{P}^{2d+1} \end{aligned}$$

There is an action of $G = S^1 \times U(2)$. Let \mathcal{L}_k is such that $E_{ii} \cdot \mathcal{L}_k = k\mathcal{L}_k$; the G -equivariant Euler characteristic equals

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_G(\mathcal{L}_k(n)) &= \sum_{k=0}^{N(d+1)-1} (-1)^k \text{Tr}_{H^k(\mathbb{P}^{2d+1}, \mathcal{L}_k(n))} e^{\hbar L_0 + \lambda_1 E_{11} + \lambda_2 E_{22}} \\ &= A_{n,k}^{(d)} = (z_1 z_2)^k \oint \frac{dt}{2\pi i t^{n+1}} \prod_{j=0}^d \frac{1}{(1 - z_1 t q^j)(1 - z_2 t q^j)} \end{aligned}$$

where $q = e^{\hbar}$, and $z_i = e^{\lambda_i}$.

Proposition 1 :

$$A_{n,k}^{(\infty)} := \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} A_{n,k}^{(d)} = {}^q\Psi_{z_1, z_2}(n+k, k)$$

For the equivariant cohomology

$$H_G^*(\mathbb{P}^{2d+1}) = \mathbb{C}[x, \hbar] / \prod_{i=1}^2 \prod_{j=0}^d (x - \lambda_i - i\hbar j)$$

the Riemann-Roch-Hirzebruch formula reads

$$\chi_G(\mathcal{L}_k(n)) = \langle \text{Ch}_G(\mathcal{L}_k(n)), \text{Td}_G(\mathcal{T}\mathbb{P}^{2d+1}) \rangle$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ch}_G(\mathcal{L}_k(n)) &= e^{nx+k(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)} \\ \text{Td}_G(\mathcal{T}\mathbb{P}^{2d+1}) &= \prod_{i=1}^2 \prod_{j=0}^d \frac{x - \lambda_i - i\hbar j}{(1 - e^{\lambda_i + i\hbar j - x})} \end{aligned}$$

• **Connection to quantum K-theory.**

Let $L_+X = \text{Map}(S^1, X)$; the algebraic version of $\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}}$ is

$$\mathcal{M}_d(\mathbb{P}^{N-1}) = \left\{ a_1(y_1, y_2), \dots, a_N(y_1, y_2) \right\} / \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{P}^{N(d+1)-1}$$

Conjecture 1 :

$${}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}}(n+k, k, \dots, k) = (z_1 \cdots z_N)^k \cdot \langle t^n, [\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}}] \rangle_{QK}$$

where the fundamental class of $\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}}$ is given by

$$[\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}}]_{QK} = \prod_{i=1}^N \Gamma_q\left(\frac{z_i}{t}\right)$$

• **Connection to quantum cohomology.**

When $q \rightarrow 1$ the function ${}^q\Psi_{\underline{z}}(n+k, k, \dots, k)$ tends to

$$\Phi_{\underline{\gamma}}(x) = \int d\gamma e^{-v\gamma x} \prod_{i=1}^N \Gamma\left(\frac{v\gamma_i - v\gamma}{\hbar}\right)$$

which is the solution of

$$\left\{ \prod_{i=1}^N \left(\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - v\gamma_i \right) - e^x \right\} \cdot \Phi = 0$$

Conjecture 2 : *The fundamental class of $\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}}$ in $QH^*(\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}}) \subset FH_{S^1}^*(\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}})$ is given by*

$$[\widetilde{L_+\mathbb{P}^{N-1}}]_{QH} = \prod_{i=1}^N \Gamma\left(\frac{v\gamma_i - v\gamma}{\hbar}\right)$$