# A finite dimensional proof of the Verlinde formula

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### Motivation: Jacobian variety and theta functions

• Let C be a smooth projective curve of genus g,

 $J_C = \{ \text{vector bundles } E \text{ of } \operatorname{rk}(E) = 1, \deg(E) = 0 \text{ on } C \}$ 

• Fix a  $\kappa_0 \in \operatorname{Pic}^{g-1}(C)$ , we have theta divisor

$$\theta_{\kappa_0} = \{ E \in J_C \, | \, \mathrm{H}^0(C, E \otimes \kappa_0) \neq 0 \, \} \subset J_C$$

• Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be a universal line bundle on  $C \times J_C \xrightarrow{\pi} J_C$ , then

$$\Theta_{J_C} := \mathcal{O}(\theta_{\kappa_0})^k = \det R\pi(\mathcal{E} \otimes \kappa_0)^{-k}$$

•  $H^0(J_C, \Theta_{J_C})$  is the so called space of **theta functions of order** k $\dim H^0(J_C, \Theta_{J_C}) = k^g$ 

# Motivation: Moduli spaces and generalized theta functions

- A. Weil observed:  $J_C \cong \operatorname{Hom}(\pi_1(C), U(1))$ , suggested to study  $\operatorname{Hom}(\pi_1(C), U(r))$
- (Mumford, Narasimhan-Seshadri): On Hom(π<sub>1</sub>(C), U(r)), there is a natural structure of projective variety U<sub>C</sub>, which is the moduli spaces of semi-stable vector bundles of rank r and degree 0.

$$\theta_{\kappa_0} = \{ E \in \mathcal{U}_C \, | \, \mathrm{H}^0(C, E \otimes \kappa_0) \neq 0 \} \subset \mathcal{U}_C$$
$$\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_C} := \mathcal{O}(\theta_{\kappa_0})^k = \mathrm{det} R\pi(\mathcal{E} \otimes \kappa_0)^{-k}.$$

• A formula was predicted by **Conformal Field Theory**, when r = 2,

$$\dim \mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathcal{U}_{C},\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{C}}) = \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{g} \left(\frac{k+2}{2}\right)^{g-1} \sum_{i=0}^{k} \frac{1}{(\sin\frac{(i+1)\pi}{k+2})^{2g-2}}$$

# The moduli spaces: $\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega} = \mathcal{U}_C(r, d, \omega)$

- C: projective curve of genus  $g \ge 0$  with at most one node
- $\omega = (k, \{\vec{n}(x), \vec{a}(x)\}_{x \in I})$ : a finite set  $I \subset C$  of smooth points,  $\vec{n}(x) := (n_1(x), n_2(x), \cdots, n_{l_x+1}(x))$  $\vec{a}(x) := (a_1(x), a_2(x), \cdots, a_{l_x+1}(x))$

and an integer k > 0 such that

$$0 \le a_1(x) < a_2(x) < \dots < a_{l_x+1}(x) \le k.$$

•  $U_{C,\omega}$ : moduli space of semistable parabolic sheaves of rank r and degree d on C with parabolic structures determined by  $\omega$ 

### The moduli spaces: Parabolic sheaves

• A torsion free sheaf E has a parabolic structure of type  $\vec{n}(x)$  and weights  $\vec{a}(x)$  at a smooth point  $x \in C$ , we mean a choice of

$$E_x = Q_{l_x+1}(E)_x \twoheadrightarrow \cdots \dashrightarrow \twoheadrightarrow Q_1(E)_x \twoheadrightarrow Q_0(E)_x = 0$$

of fibre  $E_x$  with  $n_i(x) = \dim(ker\{Q_i(E)_x \twoheadrightarrow Q_{i-1}(E)_x\})$  and a sequence of integers

$$0 \le a_1(x) < a_2(x) < \dots < a_{l_x+1}(x) < k.$$

• For any  $F \subset E$ , let  $Q_i(E)_x^F \subset Q_i(E)_x$  be the image of F,

$$n_i^F(x) = \dim(\ker\{Q_i(E)_x^F \twoheadrightarrow Q_{i-1}(E)_x^F\})$$
$$par\chi(F) := \chi(F) + \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x \in I} \sum_{i=1}^{l_x+1} a_i(x) n_i^F(x).$$

### The moduli spaces: Semi-stability

E is called semistable (resp., stable) for <sup>a</sup>/<sub>k</sub> if for any nontrivial subsheaf F ⊂ E such that E/F is torsion free, one has

$$\operatorname{par}_{\chi}(F) \leq \frac{\operatorname{par}_{\chi}(E)}{r} \cdot r(F) \text{ (resp., <)}.$$

• There exists a seminormal projective variety

$$\mathcal{U}_{C,\,\omega} = \mathcal{U}_C(r, d, \omega)$$

which is the coarse moduli space of s-equivalence classes of semistable parabolic sheaves E of rank r and  $\deg(E) = d$  with parabolic structures of type  $\{\vec{n}(x)\}_{x \in I}$  and weights  $\{\vec{a}(x)\}_{x \in I}$  at points  $\{x\}_{x \in I}$ .

• If C is smooth, then it is normal, with only rational singularities.

# Generalized theta functions on $\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}$

• There is an algebraic family of ample line bundles  $\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}}$  on  $\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}$  (the so called Theta line bundles) when

$$\ell := \frac{k\chi - \sum_{x \in I} \sum_{i=1}^{l_x} d_i(x)r_i(x)}{r}$$

is an integer, where

$$d_i(x) = a_{i+1}(x) - a_i(x)$$
  
 $r_i(x) = n_1(x) + \dots + n_i(x).$ 

H<sup>0</sup>(U<sub>C, ω</sub>, Θ<sub>U<sub>C, ω</sub>): The space of generalized theta functions. An explicit formula of
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$$D_g(r, d, \omega) = \dim \mathrm{H}^0(\mathcal{U}_{C, \omega}, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{C, \omega}})$$

was predicted by **Conformal Field Theory**.

# Verlinde formula:

$$D_g(r, d, \omega) = ?$$

$$\begin{split} D_g(r,d,\omega) &= (-1)^{d(r-1)} \left(\frac{k}{r}\right)^g (r(r+k)^{r-1})^{g-1} \\ &\sum_{\vec{v}} \frac{\exp\left(2\pi i \left(\frac{d}{r} - \frac{|\omega|}{r(r+k)}\right) \sum_{i=1}^r v_i\right) S_\omega \left(\exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v}}{r+k}\right)}{\prod_{i < j} \left(2\sin \pi \frac{v_i - v_j}{r+k}\right)^{2(g-1)}} \\ \text{where } \vec{v} &= (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r) \text{ runs through the integers} \\ 0 &= v_r < v_{r-1} < \dots < v_2 < v_1 < r+k. \\ \bullet \text{ For given } \omega &= (k, \{\vec{n}(x), \vec{a}(x)\}_{x \in I}), \text{ let } \lambda_i = k - a_i(x) \\ \lambda_x &= (\overbrace{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_1}^{n_1(x)}, \overbrace{\lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_2}^{n_2(x)}, \dots, \overbrace{\lambda_{l_x+1}, \dots, \lambda_{l_x+1}}^{n_{l_x+1}(x)}) \\ \bullet \text{ Let } S_{\lambda_x}(z_1, \dots, z_r) \text{ be Schur polynomial, } |\lambda_x| &= \sum \lambda_i n_i(x), \\ S_\omega(z_1, \dots, z_r) &= \prod_{x \in I} S_{\lambda_x}(z_1, \dots, z_r), \quad |\omega| = \sum_{v \in I} |\lambda_x|. \end{split}$$

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# Rational Conformal Field Theory (RCFT)

- Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite set with an involution  $\lambda \mapsto \lambda^*$ , a **RCFT** is a functor:  $(C, \overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) \mapsto V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda})$ where  $\overrightarrow{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ ,  $p_i \in C$ ,  $\overrightarrow{\lambda} = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ , satisfies axioms:
- A0:  $V_{\mathbb{P}^1}(\emptyset) = \mathbb{C}$ , A1:  $V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) \cong V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}^*)$

• A2: Let 
$$(C, \overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) = (C', \overrightarrow{p}'; \overrightarrow{\lambda}') \sqcup (C'', \overrightarrow{p}''; \overrightarrow{\lambda}'')$$
. Then  
 $V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) = V_{C'}(\overrightarrow{p}'; \overrightarrow{\lambda}') \otimes V_{C''}(\overrightarrow{p}''; \overrightarrow{\lambda}'')$ 

• A3: For a family  $\{C_t, \overrightarrow{p_t}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}\}_{t \in \triangle}$ , there are canonical isomorphisms  $V_{C_t}(\overrightarrow{p_t}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) \cong V_{C_0}(\overrightarrow{p_0}; \overrightarrow{\lambda})$ 

• A4: If  $C_0$  has a node x,  $\pi^{-1}(x) = \{x_1, x_2\}, \pi : \widetilde{C_0} \to C_0$ . Then  $V_{C_t}(\overrightarrow{p_t}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) \cong \bigoplus_{\nu} V_{\widetilde{C_0}}(\overrightarrow{p_0}, x_1, x_2; \overrightarrow{\lambda}, \nu, \nu^*)$ 

# The fusion rules

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### The fusion ring $\mathcal{F}$ and Verlinde formula

• Let  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{Z}^{(\Lambda)}$  be the free abelian group generated by  $\Lambda$ , define

$$\lambda \cdot \mu = \sum_{\nu \in \Lambda} N_0(\lambda + \mu + \nu^*) \cdot \nu.$$

•  $\mathcal{F}$  is called the **fusion ring** associated to the **RCFT**,

• Let  $\Sigma = \{ \chi : \mathcal{F} \to \mathbb{C} \}$  be the set of characters of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then

$$\dim V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) = \sum_{\chi \in \Sigma} \chi(\lambda_1) \cdots \chi(\lambda_n) \left( \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} |\chi(\lambda)|^2 \right)^{g-1}$$

# Tsuchiya-Ueno-Yamada (1989): WZW model

- Wess-Zumino-Witten (WZW) model is associated to a simple complex Lie algebra g and integer k > 0.
- Given a simple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  and integer k > 0, let  $P_k$  be the set of dominant weight of level  $\leq k$ ,  $V_{\overrightarrow{\lambda}} := V_{\lambda_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes V_{\lambda_n}$   $(\lambda_i \in P_k)$  and  $V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) := \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g} \otimes A_C}(\mathcal{H}_k, V_{\overrightarrow{\lambda}}), \quad A_C = \mathcal{O}_C(C \{q\})$

where  $\mathcal{H}_k$  is the basic representation of level k of affine Lie algebra  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}$ , and  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes A_C \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z)) \subset \hat{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a Lie subalgebra of  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

- Tsuchiya-Ueno-Yamada (1989): Functor:  $(C, \overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) \mapsto V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda})$ satisfies the **axioms A0 to A4**.
- The characters of its fusion ring R<sub>k</sub>(g) are determined by Beauville (for sl<sub>r</sub>) and Faltings (for all the classical algebras and G<sub>2</sub>).

# Moduli stack of G-bundles and double quotient

Let g = Lie(G), C = C \ {q}, D = Spec(Ôq), D = D ∩ C. Then there is a bijective map of sets

$$G(\mathcal{O}(\dot{C})) \setminus G(\mathcal{O}(\dot{D})) / G(\hat{\mathcal{O}}_q) \xrightarrow{\bar{\phi}} \text{Bund}_G$$

 $X := G(\mathcal{O}(\dot{D}))/G(\hat{\mathcal{O}}_q) \text{ is called affine Grassmannian, which is a inductive limit of generalized Schubert varieties } \{X_w \mid w \in \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}/\mathcal{W}\}.$ 

• There is an algebraic G-bundle  $\mathcal{P} \to C \times X$ , which defines the morphism of stacks:

$$X = G(\mathcal{O}(\dot{D}))/G(\hat{\mathcal{O}}_q) \xrightarrow{\phi} \operatorname{Bund}_G$$

•  $\mathrm{H}^{0}(\mathrm{Bun}_{G}, \Theta_{\mathrm{Bun}_{G}}) = \mathrm{H}^{0}(X, \phi^{*}\Theta_{\mathrm{Bun}_{G}})^{\Gamma}, \quad \Gamma := G(\mathcal{O}(\dot{C})).$ 

## WZW model and generalized theta functions

- Beauville- Laszlo (1994): For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_r(\mathbb{C})$ , we have  $V_C(\emptyset) \cong \mathrm{H}^0(\mathrm{Bun}_{\mathrm{SL}(\mathrm{r})}, \Theta_{\mathrm{Bun}_{\mathrm{SL}(\mathrm{r})}})$
- Faltings (1994): It is true for arbitrary simple Lie algebra g ! $V_C(\emptyset) \cong \mathrm{H}^0(\mathrm{Bun}_G, \Theta_{\mathrm{Bun}_G})$

 $\operatorname{Bun}_G$  is the moduli stack of *G*-bundles on *C*.

• Pauly (1996): For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_r(\mathbb{C})$ , when  $g \ge 2$ , we have  $V_C(\overrightarrow{p}; \overrightarrow{\lambda}) \cong \mathrm{H}^0(\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}^{\mathcal{O}_C}, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}^{\mathcal{O}_C}})$ 

where  $\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}^{\mathcal{O}_C}$  is the moduli spaces of semi-stable parabolic bundles on C with trivial determinant.

# Faltings: A proof for the Verlinde formula

- The referee has asked me to remark that there are several interpretations of the term "Verlinde formula".
- One is equality of dimensions for spaces of global sections and their analogues in conformal field theory, and this is proved here.
- Another version is an explicit formula for these numbers. It follows from the previous and from **certain facts** about integrable representations of Kac-Moody Lie algebras.
- According to experts **these facts** (Conjecture 5.1) are "true" and "known", but I have not found any written proof.
- D. Kazhdan has suggested to use the methods from [GK] (Gelfand-Kazhdan: Examples of tensor categories, Invent. Math. 109 (1992), but I have not understood his argument.

• Let  $T \subset G$  be maximal torus,  $\mathfrak{g} = \operatorname{Lie}(G)$ .  $\forall \gamma \in T$ ,

$$\chi_{\gamma} : R_k(\mathfrak{g}) \to \mathbb{C}, \quad E \mapsto \chi_{\gamma}(E) := \operatorname{Tr}_E(\gamma).$$

• Let W be the Weyl group,  $T^{reg} \subset T$  be the set of elements where  $W\text{-}{\rm action}$  is free.

### Conjecture 1 (Faltings)

All characters  $\chi: R_k(\mathfrak{g}) \to \mathbb{C}$  are of the form

$$\chi_{\gamma}: R_k(\mathfrak{g}) \to \mathbb{C}, \quad E \mapsto \chi_{\gamma}(E) := \operatorname{Tr}_E(\gamma)$$

where  $\gamma \in T^{reg}/W$ .

# Finite-dimensional proofs: r = 2

- Beauville: The basic distinction between the proofs using standard algebraic geometry, which up to now work only in the case r = 2, and proofs that use infinite-dimensional algebraic geometry to mimic the heuristic approach of the physicists-these work for all r.
- Compute  $\chi(\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{G}}^{k})$ : Bertram-Szenes, Zagier, Donaldson-Witten.
- Thaddeus (1994): Stable pairs, linear systems and Verlinde formula (Invent. Math. 117, 317-353).
- Narasimhan-Ramadas (1993-1996): Factorization of generalized theta functions I, II (Invent. Math., Topology): |I| > 0.
- Daskalopoulos-Wentworth (1993-1996): An analytic proof when  $g \ge 2$  (Math. Ann. (1993), (1996)): |I| > 0.

# Finite-dimensional proofs: r > 2

- Jeffrey-Kirwan (1998): Intersection theory on  $SU_C(r, \mathcal{L})$  (Ann. of Math.): (r, d) = 1, |I| = 0.
- Marian-Oprea (2007): Counts of maps to Grassmannians and intersections on the moduli space of bundles (J. Diff. Geom.): (r, d) = 1, |I| = 0.
- Jeffrey (2001): The Verlinde formula for parabolic bundles (J. of the LMS): (r, d) = 1, |I| > 0, weights { a(x) }<sub>x∈I</sub> are very small !
- Bismut-Labourie (1999): χ(Θ<sub>U<sub>C</sub>, ω</sub>) equals to the index of a Dirac operator when k >> 0 (Surv. Differ. Geom. 5, 97–311).
- E. Meinrenken: This result combined with recent vanishing results of (C. Teleman, Ann.of Math.) gives a new proof of the Verlinde formula when k is sufficiently large.

### Degeneration method

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- Degenerate  $C_t \rightsquigarrow C_0 = X$  to a curve X with one node  $x_0 \in X$ .
- Need to prove:  $\dim H^0(\mathcal{U}_{C_t,\omega_t}, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{C_t,\omega_t}}) = \dim H^0(\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}}).$
- Let  $\pi: \widetilde{X} \to X$  be the normalization,  $\pi^{-1}(x_0) = \{x_1, x_2\}.$

#### Theorem 1 (Sun, 2000-2003, JAG and Ark. Mat.)

$$\begin{aligned} H^{0}(\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega},\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}}) &\cong \bigoplus_{\mu} H^{0}(\mathcal{U}_{\widetilde{X},\omega^{\mu}},\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{\widetilde{X},\omega^{\mu}}}) \\ H^{0}(\mathcal{U}_{X_{1}\cup X_{2},\omega_{1}\cup\omega_{2}},\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X_{1}\cup X_{2},\omega_{1}\cup\omega_{2}}}) \\ &\cong \bigoplus_{\mu} H^{0}(\mathcal{U}_{X_{1},\omega_{1}^{\mu}},\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X_{1},\omega_{1}^{\mu}}}) \otimes H^{0}(\mathcal{U}_{X_{2},\omega_{2}^{\mu}},\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X_{2},\omega_{2}^{\mu}}}) \\ &\text{here } \mu = (\mu_{1},\cdots,\mu_{r}) \text{ runs through } 0 \leq \mu_{r} \leq \cdots \leq \mu_{1} < k. \end{aligned}$$

# Vanishing Theorems

### Theorem 2 (Sun, 2000, JAG)

• If 
$$g(C_t) \ge 2$$
, then  $H^1(\mathcal{U}_{C_t,\omega_t}, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{C_t,\omega_t}}) = 0$ .

• If 
$$g(X) \ge 3$$
, then  $H^1(\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}}) = 0$ .

### Theorem 3 (Sun-Zhou, 2020, SCi. China)

• For any ample line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $\mathcal{U}_{C_t,\omega_t}$ , one has

$$H^i(\mathcal{U}_{C_t,\omega_t},\mathcal{L})=0 \quad \forall \ i>0.$$

- If X is irreducible,  $H^1(\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}}) = 0.$
- If X is reducible, H<sup>1</sup>(U<sub>X,ω</sub>, L) = 0 for any ample line bundle L on U<sub>X,ω</sub>.

# Recurrence relations of $D_g(r, d, \omega)$

### Theorem 4 (Sun–Zhou, 2020, Sci. China)

Let 
$$W_k = \{ \lambda = (\lambda_1, ..., \lambda_r) | 0 = \lambda_r \le \lambda_{r-1} \le \dots \le \lambda_1 \le k \}$$
 and

$$W'_k = \left\{ \lambda \in W_k \mid \left( \sum_{x \in I_1} \sum_{i=1}^{l_x} d_i(x) r_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{r} \right\}.$$

Then we have the following recurrence relation

$$D_g(r, d, \omega) = \sum_{\mu} D_{g-1}(r, d, \omega^{\mu})$$

$$D_g(r, d, \omega) = \sum_{\lambda \in W'_k} D_{g_1}(r, 0, \omega_1^{\lambda}) \cdot D_{g_2}(r, d, \omega_2^{\lambda})$$

where  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)$  runs through  $0 \le \mu_r \le \dots \le \mu_1 < k$  and  $\omega^{\mu}$ ,  $\omega_1^{\lambda}$ ,  $\omega_2^{\lambda}$  are explicitly determined by  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$ .

Proof of  $D_g(r, d, \omega) = V_g(r, d, \omega)$ 

$$V_{g}(r,d,\omega) := (-1)^{d(r-1)} \left(\frac{k}{r}\right)^{g} (r(r+k)^{r-1})^{g-1}$$
$$\sum_{\vec{v}} \frac{\exp\left(2\pi i \left(\frac{d}{r} - \frac{|\omega|}{r(r+k)}\right) \sum_{i=1}^{r} v_{i}\right) S_{\omega} \left(\exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v}}{r+k}\right)}{\prod_{i < j} \left(2\sin \pi \frac{v_{i} - v_{j}}{r+k}\right)^{2(g-1)}}$$

where  $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r)$  runs through the integers

$$0 = v_r < v_{r-1} < \dots < v_2 < v_1 < r+k.$$

#### Lemma 1

If  $D_0(r, d, \omega) = V_0(r, d, \omega)$  holds, then

$$D_g(r, d, \omega) = V_g(r, d, \omega)$$

#### holds.

Proof of 
$$D_g(r, d, \omega) = V_g(r, d, \omega)$$

### Proof.

$$D_{g}(r, d, \omega) = \sum_{\mu} D_{g-1}(r, d, \omega^{\mu}) = \sum_{\mu} V_{g-1}(r, d, \omega^{\mu})$$

where  $|\omega^{\mu}| = |\omega| + k \cdot r$ ,  $S_{\omega^{\mu}} = S_{\omega} \cdot S_{\mu} \cdot S_{\mu^*}$  and  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)$  runs through the integers  $0 \le \mu_r \le \dots \le \mu_1 < k$ . Then it is enough to show

$$\sum_{\mu} S_{\mu} \left( \exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v}}{r+k} \right) \cdot S_{\mu^*} \left( \exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v}}{r+k} \right)$$
$$= \exp\left( 2\pi i \frac{k}{r+k} \sum_{i=1}^r v_i \right) \frac{k(r+k)^{r-1}}{\prod_{i < j} \left( 2\sin \pi \frac{v_i - v_j}{r+k} \right)^2}.$$

To prove it, we essentially use the fact:

$$\sum_{g \in G} \chi_V(g) \overline{\chi_V(g)} = |G|.$$

Proof of 
$$D_0(r, d, \omega) = V_0(r, d, \omega)$$

### Lemma 2

If  $D_0(r, d, \omega) = V_0(r, d, \omega)$  when  $|I| \leq 3$ , then  $D_0(r, d, \omega) = V_0(r, d, \omega)$ .

Let  $I = I_1 \cup I_2$  with  $|I_1| = 2$ , we have

$$D_{0}(r,d,\omega) = \sum_{\mu \in W_{k}} V_{0}(r,0,\omega_{1}^{\mu}) \cdot V_{0}(r,d,\omega_{2}^{\mu}) = \frac{(-1)^{d(r-1)}}{(r(r+k)^{r-1})^{2}}$$

$$\sum_{\vec{v},\vec{v'}} \frac{\exp\left(2\pi i\left(-\frac{|\omega_{1}|}{r(r+k)}\right)|\vec{v}|\right)}{\prod_{i < j} \left(2\sin\pi\frac{v_{i} - v_{j}}{r+k}\right)^{-2}} \cdot \frac{\exp\left(2\pi i\left(\frac{d}{r} - \frac{|\omega_{2}|}{r(r+k)}\right)|\vec{v'}|\right)}{\prod_{i < j} \left(2\sin\pi\frac{v_{i}' - v_{j}'}{r+k}\right)^{-2}} \cdot$$

$$S_{\omega_{1}}\left(\exp 2\pi i\frac{\vec{v}}{r+k}\right) \cdot S_{\omega_{2}}\left(\exp 2\pi i\frac{\vec{v'}}{r+k}\right) \cdot \sum_{\mu \in W_{k}}\exp 2\pi i\frac{-|\mu| \cdot |\vec{v}|}{r(r+k)}$$

$$\exp 2\pi i\frac{-|\mu^{*}| \cdot |\vec{v'}|}{r(r+k)} \cdot S_{\mu}\left(\exp 2\pi i\frac{\vec{v}}{r+k}\right) \cdot S_{\mu^{*}}\left(\exp 2\pi i\frac{\vec{v'}}{r+k}\right)$$

Proof of  $D_0(r, d, \omega) = V_0(r, d, \omega)$ 

When  $\vec{v}=\vec{v'}\text{,}$  we have

$$\sum_{\mu \in W_k} S_{\mu} \left( \exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v}}{r+k} \right) \cdot S_{\mu^*} \left( \exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v}}{r+k} \right)$$
$$= \exp \left( 2\pi i \frac{k}{r+k} |\vec{v}| \right) \cdot \frac{r(r+k)^{r-1}}{\prod_{i < j} \left( 2\sin \pi \frac{v_i - v_j}{r+k} \right)^2}$$

when  $\vec{v} \neq \vec{v'}$ , by using  $\sum_{g \in G} \chi_V(g) \overline{\chi_W(g)} = 0$ , we have

$$\sum_{\mu \in W_k} \exp 2\pi i \frac{-|\mu| \cdot |\vec{v}|}{r(r+k)} \cdot \exp 2\pi i \frac{-|\mu^*| \cdot |\vec{v'}|}{r(r+k)} \cdot S_{\mu} \left( \exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v}}{r+k} \right) \cdot S_{\mu^*} \left( \exp 2\pi i \frac{\vec{v'}}{r+k} \right) = 0.$$

# Computation of of $\overline{V_0(r,0,\{\omega_s,\lambda_y,\lambda_z\})}$

#### Lemma 3

(1) When 
$$|I| = 0$$
,  $V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x\}_{x \in I}) = 1$ ;

(2)  $V_0(r, 0, \lambda_x) = 1$  if  $\lambda_x = \lambda_r(x)\omega_r$  and zero otherwise;

(3) 
$$V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y\}) = 1$$
 if  $\lambda_x = \lambda_y^*$  and zero otherwise;

(4) Let  $Y(\lambda_y, \omega_s)$  be the set of partitions its Young diagrams are obtained from  $\lambda$  by adding s boxes with no two in the same row. Then

$$V_0(r, 0, \{\omega_s, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } \lambda_z^* \in Y(\lambda_y, \omega_s) \\ 0 & \text{when } \lambda_z^* \notin Y(\lambda_y, \omega_s) \end{cases}$$

where 
$$\omega_s := (\overbrace{1,\ldots,1}^s, \overbrace{0,\ldots,0}^{r-s}) \quad (1 \le s \le r).$$

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# Computation of of $D_0(r, 0, \{\omega_s, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$

### Lemma 4

(1) When 
$$|I| = 0$$
,  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(r, 0, \{\lambda_x\}_{x \in I})$  consists one point;

(2) When |I| = 1,  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(r, 0, \lambda_x)$  consists one point if  $\lambda_x = \lambda_r(x)\omega_r$  and is empty otherwise;

(3) When |I| = 2,  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y\})$  consists one point if  $\lambda_x = \lambda_y^*$  and is empty otherwise;

(4) When |I| = 3,  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(r, 0, \{\omega_s, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$   $(1 \le s \le r - 1)$  consists one point if  $\lambda_z^* \in Y(\lambda_y, \omega_s)$  and is empty otherwise.

### Corollary 1

$$D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x\}_{x \in I}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x\}_{x \in I})$$
 when  $|I| \le 2$ , and

$$D_0(r, 0, \{\omega_s, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\omega_s, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}).$$

Proof of of  $D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$ 

• For any partition  $\lambda=(\lambda_1,...,\lambda_r)$ ,  $\lambda_1\geq\lambda_2\geq\cdots\geq\lambda_r$ , let

$$s(\lambda) = \max\{i \mid \lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1} > 0\}, \quad m(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{s(\lambda)} \lambda_i$$

and 
$$s(\lambda) = 0$$
 if  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \cdots = \lambda_r$ .

- When  $s(\lambda_x) = 0$ ,  $\lambda_x$  defines trivial parabolic structure at  $x \in I$  and the proof reduces to the case of |I| = 2.
- Thus we can assume  $s(\lambda_x) > 0$  and will prove

$$D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$$

by induction of  $m(\lambda_x) - s(\lambda_x)$ .

Proof of of  $D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$ 

- When  $m(\lambda_x) s(\lambda_x) = 0$ ,  $\lambda_x$  must be  $\omega_{s(\lambda_x)}$  and we are done by Corollary 1.
- Assume  $D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$  holds for any  $\lambda_y$  and  $\lambda_z$  when  $m(\lambda_x) s(\lambda_x) < N$
- For any  $\lambda_x$  with  $m(\lambda_x) s(\lambda_x) = N$ , let  $\lambda'_x = \lambda_x \omega_{s(\lambda_x)}$  $D_0(r, 0, \{\omega_{s(\lambda_x)}, \lambda'_r, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$  $= \sum D_0(r, 0, \{\omega_{s(\lambda_x)}, \lambda'_x, \mu^*\}) \cdot D_0(r, 0, \{\mu, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$  $\mu^* \in W'_h$  $= \sum D_0(r, 0, \{\mu, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$  $\mu \in Y(\lambda'_x, \omega_{s(\lambda_x)})$  $= D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) +$ **`**`  $V_0(r, 0, \{\mu, \lambda_u, \lambda_z\}).$  $\mu \in Y(\lambda'_x, \omega_{s(\lambda_x)}) \setminus \{\lambda_x\}$

Proof of of  $D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\})$ 

$$\begin{split} D_0(r,0,\{\lambda_x,\lambda_y,\lambda_z\}) &+ \sum_{\mu\in Y(\lambda'_x,\omega_{s(\lambda_x)})\setminus\{\lambda_x\}} V_0(r,0,\{\mu,\lambda_y,\lambda_z\}) \\ &= D_0(r,0,\{\omega_{s(\lambda_x)},\lambda'_x,\lambda_y,\lambda_z\}) \\ &= \sum_{\mu\in W'_k} D_0(r,0,\{\omega_{s(\lambda_x)},\lambda_y,\mu\}) \cdot D_0(r,0,\{\lambda'_x,\lambda_z,\mu^*\}) \\ &= \sum_{\mu\in W'_k} V_0(r,0,\{\omega_{s(\lambda_x)},\lambda_y,\mu\}) \cdot V_0(r,0,\{\lambda'_x,\lambda_z,\mu^*\}) \\ &= V_0(r,0,\{\omega_{s(\lambda_x)},\lambda'_x,\lambda_y,\lambda_z\}) \\ &= = V_0(r,0,\{\lambda_x,\lambda_y,\lambda_z\}) + \sum_{\mu\in Y(\lambda'_x,\omega_{s(\lambda_x)})\setminus\{\lambda_x\}} V_0(r,0,\{\mu,\lambda_y,\lambda_z\}). \end{split}$$

Thus we have

$$D_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}) = V_0(r, 0, \{\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_z\}).$$

# Globally F-regular varieties

 $\bullet$  Let M be a variety over a perfect field k of char(k)=p>0,  $F:M\rightarrow M$ 

be the (absolute) Frobenius map and  $F^e: M \to M$  be the e-th iterate of Frobenius map.

- When M is normal, for any (weil) divisor  $D \in Div(M)$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_M(D)(V) = \{ f \in K(M) | div_V(f) + D|_V \ge 0 \}, \quad \forall V \subset M$ 
  - is a reflexive subsheaf of constant sheaf K = k(M)

### Definition 1

A normal variety M over a perfect field is called stably Frobenius D-split if

$$\mathcal{O}_M \to F^e_*\mathcal{O}_M(D)$$

is split for some e > 0.

# Globally F-regular varieties: Projective case

### Definition 2

A normal variety M over a perfect field is called globally F-regular if M is stably Frobenius D-split for any effective divisor D.

### Proposition 1

Let M be a projective variety over a perfect field. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) M is normal and is stably Frobenius D-split for any effective D;
- (2) M is stably Frobenius D-split for any effective Cartier D;
- (3) For any ample line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$ , the section ring of M

$$R(M,\mathcal{L}) = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} H^0(M,\mathcal{L}^n)$$

is strongly F-regular.

### Definition 3

A variety M over a field of characteristic zero is said to be of globally *F*-regular type if its "**modulo** p reduction of M" are globally *F*-regular for a dense set of p.

### Proposition 2 (K. E. Smith)

Let M be a projective variety over a field of characteristic zero. If M is of globally F-regular type, then we have

- (1) M is normal, Cohen-Macaulay with rational singularities. If M is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein, then M has log terminal singularities.
- (2) For any nef line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on M, we have  $H^i(M, \mathcal{L}) = 0$  when i > 0. In particular,  $H^i(M, \mathcal{O}_M) = 0$  whenever i > 0.

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#### Definition 4

Let C be a smooth projective curve,  $\omega = (k, \{\vec{n}(x), \vec{a}(x)\}_{x \in I})$  and

$$\det: \mathcal{U}_{C,\,\omega} \to J^d_C, \quad E \mapsto \det(E).$$

For any  $L \in J_C^d$ , the fiber  $\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}^L := \det^{-1}(L)$  is called moduli spaces of semi-stable parabolic bundles with fixed determinant, which is normal with at most rational singularities.

#### Theorem 5 (Sun-Zhou, 2020, Math. Ann.)

For any data  $\omega$ , the moduli spaces  $\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}^L$  is of globally F-regular type.

#### Corollary 2

For any ample line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega}$ , we have  $H^i(\mathcal{U}_{C,\omega},\mathcal{L}) = 0, \ \forall \ i > 0.$ 

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### Definition 5

Let  $\pi: \widetilde{X} \to X$  be the normalization of X,  $\pi^{-1}(x_0) = \{x_1, x_2\}$ . A generalized parabolic sheaf (GPS) (E, Q) consist:

- A parabolic sheaf E determined by  $\omega = (r, d, \{\vec{n}(x), \vec{a}(x)\}_{x \in I}, k)$ ,
- A r-dimensional quotient  $E_{x_1} \oplus E_{x_2} \xrightarrow{q} Q \to 0$ .
- (E,Q) is semi-stable if  $\forall E' \subset E$ , E/E' torsion free outside  $\{x_1, x_2\}$

$$pardeg(E') - dim(Q^{E'}) \le rk(E') \frac{pardeg(E) - dim(Q)}{r}$$

# Normalization of $\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}$ : The moduli space $\mathcal{P}$

- P = { semi-stable GPS (E, Q) = (E, E<sub>x1</sub> ⊕ E<sub>x2</sub> → Q → 0) }, which is called moduli space of GPS (generalized parabolic sheaf).
- $\phi: \mathcal{P} \to \mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}$  is defined by  $\phi(E,Q) = F$ , where F is given by

$$0 \to F \to \pi_* E \to_{x_0} Q \to 0$$

- $\phi : \mathcal{P} \to \mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}$  is the normalization of  $\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}$  such that  $\phi^* : \mathrm{H}^1(\mathcal{U}_X, \Theta_{\mathcal{U}_X}) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{H}^1(\mathcal{P}, \Theta_{\mathcal{P}}).$
- $\bullet$  There exist a flat morphism  $Det: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow J^d_{\widetilde{X}}$  , let

$$\mathcal{P}^L = Det^{-1}(L).$$

### Theorem 6 (Sun-Zhou, 2020, Math. Ann.)

The moduli space  $\mathcal{P}^L$  of semi-stable generalized parabolic sheaves with fixed determinant L is of globally F-regular type.

### Corollary 3

 $H^i(\mathcal{P}^L,\mathcal{L})=0$  for any i>0 and nef line bundles  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $\mathcal{P}^L$  and

$$H^i(\mathcal{P},\Theta_{\mathcal{P}}) = 0 \quad \forall \ i > 0.$$

### Corollary 4

Let X be a projective curve with at most one node and  $U_{X,\omega}$  be the moduli space of parabolic sheaves on X with any given data  $\omega$ . Then

$$H^1(\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega},\Theta_{\mathcal{U}_{X,\omega}})=0.$$

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# Sketch of Proof: When |I| is large enough

• Recall 
$$\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'_I := \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}' = \operatorname{Grass}_r(\widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_{x_1} \oplus \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_{x_2}) \to \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}_I = \times_{x \in I} Flag_{\vec{n}(x)}(\widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_x),$$
  
 $\mathcal{P}^L = \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}^{ss}_{I,\omega} / / SL(V)$  is determined by  $\omega = (r, d, \{\vec{n}(x), \vec{a}(x)\}_{x \in I}, k).$ 

### Proposition 3 (Sun, 2000, JAG)

There is  $\omega_c$  such that  $\mathcal{P}_{\omega_c}^L = \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}_{I,\omega_c}^{ss} / / SL(V)$  is a Fano variety with only rational singularities (thus F-split type) if  $(r-1)(g-1) + \frac{|I|}{2r} \ge 2$ .

### Proposition 4 (Sun, 2000, JAG)

For any 
$$\omega = (r, d, I, \{\vec{n}(x), \vec{a}(x)\}_{x \in I}, k)$$
, we have  
(1)  $\operatorname{codim}(\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'_{I} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'^{ss}_{I,\omega}) > (r-1)(g-1) + \frac{|I|}{k}$ ,  
(2)  $\operatorname{codim}(\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'^{ss}_{I,\omega} \setminus \{\mathcal{D}_{1}^{f} \cup \mathcal{D}_{2}^{f}\} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'^{s}_{I,\omega}) \ge (r-1)(g-1) + \frac{|I|}{k}$ 

• Let 
$$\widetilde{U} = \mathcal{R}_{I,\omega}^{\prime ss} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}_{I,\omega_c}^{\prime ss}$$
, then  $codim(\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}_{I,\omega}^{\prime ss} \setminus \widetilde{U}) \geq 2$ .

# Sketch of Proof: Increase the number |I|

• Add extra parabolic points  $x \in J \subset \widetilde{X}$ , the projection

$$p_I: \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'_{I\cup J} \to \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'_I$$

is SL(V)-invariant. Choose |J| such that  $(r-1)(g-1) + \frac{|I \cup J|}{k+2r} \ge 2$ .

• Choose the canonical weight  $\omega_c$  on  $\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'_{I\cup J}$ , consider

$$p_I^{-1}(\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}_{I,\omega}^{\prime ss}) \supset \widetilde{U} = p_I^{-1}(\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}_{I,\omega}^{\prime ss}) \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}_{I\cup J,\omega_c}^{\prime ss} \to \mathcal{P}_{\omega_c}^L.$$

Then  $p_I^{-1}(\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'^{ss}_{I,\omega}) \setminus \widetilde{U} = p_I^{-1}(\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'^{ss}_{I,\omega}) \cap (\widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'_{I\cup J,\omega_c} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}'^{ss}_{I\cup J,\omega_c})$  has codimension at least  $(r-1)(g-1) + \frac{|I\cup J|}{2r} \geq 2$ .

• Let  $U \subset \mathcal{P}^{L}_{\omega_{c}}$  be the image of  $\widetilde{U}$ , then  $p_{I}$  induces a morphism  $f: U \to \mathcal{P}^{L}$  such that  $f_{*}(\mathcal{O}_{U}) = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}^{L}}$ .

# Problem and discussions

### Definition 6

Let X be a scheme and  $Y \subset X$  a closed sub-scheme. The pair (X, Y) is called of compatible Frobenius split type if

- X is of Frobenius split type
- For almost p, there is a F-split  $\varphi: F_*\mathcal{O}_{X_p} \to \mathcal{O}_{X_p}$  such that

$$\varphi(F_*\mathcal{I}_{Y_p})\subset \mathcal{I}_{Y_p}.$$

#### Problem 1

Are the pairs  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{D}_j(a))$  (j = 1, 2),  $(\mathcal{D}_1(a), \mathcal{D}_1(a) \cap \mathcal{D}_2 \cup \mathcal{D}_1(a-1))$  of compatible Frobenius split type ?

• If the answer of above problem is Yes, then, for any ample line bundle  $\mathcal L$  on  $\mathcal U_X$ ,

$$H^i(\mathcal{U}_X,\mathcal{L})=0 \quad \forall \ i>0.$$

# Thanks !

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