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Cremmer-Gervais Cluster Algebras

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Motivation:

1. Want to describe non-isomorphic cluster structures that are supported in a coordinate ring of a given variety.
2. Investigate “Poisson-Lie” features of cluster algebras.

Main Tool: Compatible Poisson structure in cluster algebras: Let (\mathbf{x}, B) be an initial seed of some cluster algebra of geometric type, where $\mathbf{x} = \underbrace{\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}}_{\text{cluster}}, \underbrace{\{x_{m+1}, \dots, x_n\}}_{\text{frozen}}$. Define a Poisson bracket $\{ , \}$ on the rational functions in x_1, \dots, x_n by $\{x_i, x_j\} = \omega_{ij} x_i x_j$ for some $\omega_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}$. The matrix $\Omega = (\omega_{ij})$ is skew-symmetric. (Many names for this Poisson structure: log-canonical, diagonal quadratic, etc.) We require that in any cluster (\mathbf{x}', B') that $\{x'_i, x'_j\} = \omega'_{ij} x'_i x'_j$. Such a Poisson bracket is called *compatible* with $\mathcal{A}(B)$.

Condition for Compatibility: If B is non-degenerate, then compatibility is equivalent to the condition

$$\Omega B = \begin{pmatrix} D \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where D is the skew-symmetriser.

Remark 0.1. Ω is not unique, but given one such Ω one can describe all others using the *global toric action* on $\mathcal{A}(B)$. The torus $(\mathbb{C}^*)^{n-m}$ acts on \mathbf{x} by

$$x_i \mapsto x_i \prod_{s=1}^{n-m} t_s^{\omega_{m+s,i}}.$$

Strategy: Given a Poisson variety $(V, \{ , \})$

1. Find log-canonical coordinate system made of regular functions.
2. Construct the matrix B .
3. Check that $\mathcal{O}(V)$ contains $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$.
4. Show that $\mathcal{O}(V)$ is contained in either $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$ or the upper cluster algebra $\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$.

1 Poisson-Lie Groups and Belavin-Drinfel'd Classification

Definition 1.1. A Lie group G equipped with a Poisson bracket $\{ , \}$ is a *Poisson-Lie group* if the multiplication map $(x, y) \mapsto xy$ is Poisson. (Studied by Sklyanin, Drinfel'd.)

Example 1.2. $B_2^+ = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} : \{a, b\} = ab \right\}$ is a Poisson-Lie group.

From now on, assume G is a simple Lie group, \mathfrak{g} its Lie algebra, and $\Pi = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\ell\}$ its simple positive roots. We deal with factorizable quasi-triangular Poisson-Lie groups (which can be described through the Belavin-Drinfel'd classification).

The structure constants of the Poisson-Lie bracket $\{ , \}$ can be “packed” into $r \in \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ (equivalently $R \in \text{End}(\mathfrak{g})$). The element r must satisfy the *classical Yang-Baxter equation*. Belavin-Drinfel'd showed how to construct r using *Belavin-Drinfel'd data*:

$$(\Gamma_1 \xrightarrow{\gamma} \Gamma_2, r_0)$$

where $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subset \Pi$, γ is an isometry satisfying the nilpotency condition $\forall \alpha \in \Gamma_1, \exists m > 0$ s.t. $\gamma^m(\alpha) \notin \Gamma_1$, and $r_0 \in \mathfrak{h} \wedge \mathfrak{h}$ (Cartan) satisfies some linear equation determined by $\gamma : \Gamma_1 \rightarrow \Gamma_2$.

Example 1.3. The standard Poisson-Lie structure corresponds to $\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2 = \emptyset$ and r_0 is arbitrary.

Indication:

1. Regular Poisson submanifolds of G are double Bruhat cells (Rogan-Zelevinsky).
2. Standard $\{ , \}$ is compatible with cluster structure defined by [BFZ] on double Bruhat cells.

Theorem 1.4 (GSV). There is a cluster structure on $\mathcal{O}(G)$ such that:

1. the number of frozen variables is 2ℓ and the exchange matrix is non-degenerate (i.e. of full rank),
2. the upper cluster algebra $\overline{\mathcal{A}}(B) = \mathcal{O}(G)$,
3. there is a global toric action of $(\mathbb{C}^*)^{2\ell}$ on $\mathcal{A}(B)$ induced by the natural action of $H \times H$ (Cartan) on G ,
4. any Poisson-Lie bracket in a trivial B.-D. class is compatible,
5. any Poisson-Lie bracket compatible with $\mathcal{A}(B)$ is in the trivial B.-D. class.

Conjecture 1.5 (GSV). There is a cluster structure on $\mathcal{O}(G)$ such that:

1. the number of frozen variables is $2(\ell - |\Gamma_1|)$ and the exchange matrix is non-degenerate (i.e. of full rank),
2. the upper cluster algebra $\overline{\mathcal{A}}(B) = \mathcal{O}(G)$,
3. there is a global toric action of $(\mathbb{C}^*)^{2(\ell - |\Gamma_1|)}$ on $\mathcal{A}(B)$ induced by the natural action of $H_\gamma \times H_\gamma$ (Cartan) on G ,
4. any Poisson-Lie bracket in a trivial B.-D. class is compatible,
5. any Poisson-Lie bracket compatible with $\mathcal{A}(B)$ is in *this* trivial B.-D. class.

Initial Evidence: True for SL_3 and SL_4 .

2 Cremmer-Gervais Cluster Algebras and Exotic Cluster Structure in SL_n and GL_n

C.-G.-B.-D. Data (for $G = SL_n$): $\gamma : \Gamma_1 = \{\alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}\} \rightarrow \Gamma_2 = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n-2}\}$
Typically gives more complicated Poisson brackets than the standard B.-D. data.
Strategy:

1. Initial Cluster: Drinfel'd double $D = G \times G$. r goes to maps $r_{\pm} : G \rightarrow G_{\pm}$ (subgroups of G) which gives (almost) factorization $D = G_r \times d(G)$ where

$$G_r = \{(r_+(x), r_-(x)) : x \in G\} \quad \text{and} \quad d(G) = \{(x, x) : x \in G\}.$$

Regular Poisson submanifolds: intersection of right/left orbits of G_r in D with $d(G)$.

2. Induction $GL_n \rightarrow GL_{n-1}$
3. Poisson anti-involution: $X \rightarrow w_0 X w_0$