

Regular solutions of quantum Yang–Baxter equation from weak Hopf algebras *)

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Generalization of Hopf algebra $\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ by weakening the invertibility of the generator K , i.e., exchanging its invertibility $KK^{-1} = 1$ to the regularity $K\bar{K}K = K$ is studied. Two weak Hopf algebras are introduced: a weak Hopf algebra $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ and a J -weak Hopf algebra $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ which are investigated in detail. The monoids of group-like elements of $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ and $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ are regular monoids, which supports the general conjecture on the connection between weak Hopf algebras and regular monoids. A quasi-braided weak Hopf algebra \bar{U}_q^w is constructed from $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$. It is shown that the corresponding quasi- R -matrix is regular $R^w \hat{R}^w R^w = R^w$.

A k -bialgebra¹⁾ $H = (H, \mu, \eta, \Delta, \varepsilon)$ is called a *weak Hopf algebra* if there exists $T \in \text{Hom}_k(H, H)$ such that $\text{id} \star T \star \text{id} = \text{id}$ and $T \star \text{id} \star T = T$ where T is called a *weak antipode* of H . The concept of weak Hopf algebra as a generalization of a Hopf algebra [1] was introduced and studied in [2]. One of its aims is to construct some singular solutions of the quantum Yang-Baxter equation (QYBE) and to study QYBE in a larger scope, e.g. [3]. We investigate a weak Hopf algebra $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ and a J -weak Hopf algebra $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ as generalizations of $\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ and non-trivial examples of weak Hopf algebras. The fact that the monoids of group-like elements of $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ and $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ are regular, supports the general conjecture on the connection between weak Hopf algebras and regular monoids. A quasi-braided weak Hopf algebra \bar{U}_q^w from $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ is constructed whose quasi- R -matrix is regular.

Let $q \in \mathbb{C}$ and $q \neq \pm 1, 0$. The quantum enveloping algebra $U_q = U_q(\mathfrak{sl}_q(2))$ (see [4]) is generated by four variables (Chevalley generators) E, F, K, K^{-1} with the relations $K^{-1}K = KK^{-1} = 1, KEK^{-1} = q^2E, KFK^{-1} = q^{-2}F, EF - FE = (K - K^{-1})/(q - q^{-1})$. Now we try to weaken the invertibility of K to regularity, as usual in the semigroup theory [5] (see also [6, 7] for higher regularity). It can be done in two different ways.

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¹⁾ In this paper, k always denotes a field.

(I) Define $U_q^w = w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$, which is called a *weak quantum algebra*, as the algebra generated by the four variables E_w, F_w, K_w, \bar{K}_w with the relations:

$$K_w \bar{K}_w = \bar{K}_w K_w, \quad K_w \bar{K}_w K_w = K_w, \quad \bar{K}_w K_w \bar{K}_w = \bar{K}_w, \quad (1)$$

$$K_w E_w = q^2 E_w K_w, \quad \bar{K}_w E_w = q^{-2} E_w \bar{K}_w, \quad (2)$$

$$K_w F_w = q^{-2} F_w K_w, \quad \bar{K}_w F_w = q^2 F_w \bar{K}_w, \quad (3)$$

$$E_w F_w - F_w E_w = \frac{K_w - \bar{K}_w}{q - q^{-1}}. \quad (4)$$

(II) Define $U_q^v = v\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$, which is called a *J-weak quantum algebra*, as the algebra generated by the four variables E_v, F_v, K_v, \bar{K}_v with the relations ($J_v = K_v \bar{K}_v$):

$$K_v \bar{K}_v = \bar{K}_v K_v, \quad K_v \bar{K}_v K_v = K_v, \quad \bar{K}_v K_v \bar{K}_v = \bar{K}_v, \quad (5)$$

$$K_v E_v \bar{K}_v = q^2 E_v, \quad K_v F_v \bar{K}_v = q^{-2} F_v, \quad E_v J_v F_v - F_v J_v E_v = \frac{K_v - \bar{K}_v}{q - q^{-1}}. \quad (6)$$

Let $J_w = K_w \bar{K}_w$. List some useful properties of J_w which will be needed below. Firstly, $J_w^2 = J_w$, which means that J_w is a projector. For any variable X , define “ J -conjugation” as $X_{J_w} = J_w X J_w$, and the corresponding mapping will be written as $e_w(X) : X \rightarrow X_{J_w}$. Note that the mapping e_w is idempotent.

Proposition 1. (i) $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)/(J_w - 1) \cong \mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$; $v\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)/(J_v - 1) \cong \mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$; (ii) Quantum algebras $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ and $v\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ possess zero divisors, one of which is $(J_{w,v} - 1)$ which annihilates all generators.

Since $\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ is an algebra without zero divisors, some properties of $\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ cannot be upgraded to $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ and $v\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$, e.g. the standard theorem of Ore extensions and its proof (see Theorem I.7.1 in [4]).

Lemma 2. (i) The idempotent J_w is in the center of $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$; (ii) There are unique algebra automorphisms ω_w and ω_v (called the weak Cartan automorphisms) of U_q^w and U_q^v , respectively, such that $\omega_{w,v}(K_{w,v}) = \bar{K}_{w,v}$, $\omega_{w,v}(\bar{K}_{w,v}) = K_{w,v}$, $\omega_{w,v}(E_{w,v}) = F_{w,v}$, $\omega_{w,v}(F_{w,v}) = E_{w,v}$.

In general, $\omega_w \neq \text{id}$ and $\omega_v \neq \text{id}$ for the automorphism ω of $\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ [4]. According to their definitions, some (but not all) properties of $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ can be extended on $v\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ as well, and below we mostly will consider $w\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ in detail.

Let R be an algebra over k and $R[t]$ be the free left R -module consisting of all polynomials of the form $P = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i t^i$ with coefficients in R . If $a_n \neq 0$, define $\deg(P) = n$; say $\deg(0) = -\infty$. Let α be an algebra morphism of R . An α -derivation of R is a k -linear endomorphism δ of R such that $\delta(ab) = \alpha(a)\delta(b) + \delta(a)b$ for all $a, b \in R$. It follows that $\delta(1) = 0$.

²⁾ We denote by $X_{w,v}$ one of the variables X_w or X_v .

Theorem 3. (i) Assume that $R[t]$ has an algebra structure such that the natural inclusion of R into $R[t]$ is a morphism of algebras and $\deg(PQ) \leq \deg(P) + \deg(Q)$ for any pair (P, Q) of elements of $R[t]$. Then there exists a unique injective algebra endomorphism α of R and a unique α -derivation δ of R such that $ta = \alpha(a)t + \delta(a)$ for all $a \in R$;

(ii) Conversely, given an algebra endomorphism α of R and an α -derivation δ of R , there exists a unique algebra structure on $R[t]$ such that the inclusion of R into $R[t]$ is an algebra morphism and $ta = \alpha(a)t + \delta(a)$ for all $a \in R$.

Proof. (Schema) (i) Take any $0 \neq a \in R$ and consider the product ta . We have $\deg(ta) \leq \deg(t) + \deg(a) = 1$. By the definition of $R[t]$, there exist uniquely determined elements $\alpha(a)$ and $\delta(a)$ of R such that $ta = \alpha(a)t + \delta(a)$. The left multiplication by t is linear and so are α and δ . Expanding both sides of the equality $(ta)b = t(ab)$ in $R[t]$ using $ta = \alpha(a)t + \delta(a)$ for $a, b \in R$, we get $\alpha(ab) = \alpha(a)\alpha(b)$ and $\delta(ab) = \alpha(a)\delta(b) + \delta(a)b$. Moreover, α is an algebra endomorphism and δ is an α -derivation whose uniqueness follows from the freeness of $R[t]$ over R .

(ii) To construct the multiplication on $R[t]$ as an extension of that on R such that $ta = \alpha(a)t + \delta(a)$, only needs to determine the multiplication ta for any $a \in R$. Let $M = \{(f_{ij})_{i,j \geq 1} : f_{ij} \in \text{End}_k(R) \text{ and each row and each column has only finitely many } f_{ij} \neq 0\}$ and I is the identity of M . For $a \in R$, let $\hat{a} : R \rightarrow R$ satisfying

$$\hat{a}(r) = ar. \text{ And, let } T = \begin{pmatrix} \delta & & & \\ \alpha & \delta & & \\ & \alpha & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \in M \text{ and define } \Phi : R[t] \rightarrow M, \text{ satisfying}$$

$\Phi(\sum_{i=0}^n a_i t^i) = \sum_{i=0}^n (\hat{a}_i I) T^i$. Let S denote the subalgebra generated by T and $\hat{a}I$ (all $a \in R$) in M . It can be shown that $R[t]$ and S are linearly isomorphic.

Define $ta = \Phi^{-1}(T(\hat{a}I))$, which can be extended to define the multiplication of $R[t]$ with $fg = \Phi^{-1}(xy)$ for any $f, g \in R[t]$ and $x = \Phi(f), y = \Phi(g)$. Thus $R[t]$ becomes an algebra and Φ is an algebra isomorphism from $R[t]$ to S . And, $ta = \Phi^{-1}(T(\hat{a}I)) = \Phi^{-1}((\alpha(\hat{a})I)T + \delta(\hat{a})I) = \alpha(a)t + \delta(a)$ for all $a \in R$. \square

It is recognized as a generalization of Theorem I.7.1 in [4]. We call the algebra constructed from α and δ a *weak Ore extension* of R , denoted as $R_w[t, \alpha, \delta]$.

Under the condition of Theorem 3(ii), $R_w[t, \alpha, \delta]$ is free with basis $\{t^i\}_{i \geq 0}$ as a left R -module; moreover, if α is an automorphism, then $R_w[t, \alpha, \delta]$ is also a right free R -module with the same basis $\{t^i\}_{i \geq 0}$.

Let R be an algebra, α be an algebra automorphism and δ be an α -derivation of R . If R is a left (resp. right) Noetherian, then so is the weak Ore extension $R_w[t, \alpha, \delta]$.

Theorem 4. The algebra $wsl_q(2)$ is Noetherian with the basis

$$P_w = \{E_w^i F_w^j K_w^l, E_w^i F_w^j \bar{K}_w^m, E_w^i F_w^j J_w\}$$

where i, j, l are any non-negative integers, m is any positive integer.

Proof. (Schema) $k[K_w, \bar{K}_w]$ is Noetherian. Let α_1 satisfy $\alpha_1(K_w) = q^2 K_w$ and $\alpha_1(\bar{K}_w) = q^{-2} \bar{K}_w$. Let α_2 satisfy $\alpha_2(F_w^j K_w^l) = q^{-2l} F_w^j K_w^l$, $\alpha_2(F_w^j \bar{K}_w^m) = q^{2m} F_w^j \bar{K}_w^m$, $\alpha_2(F_w^j J_w) = F_w^j J_w$. Let δ satisfy $\delta(F_w^j K_w^l) = \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} F_w^{j-1-i} (q^{-2i} K_w - q^{2i} \bar{K}_w) K_w^l / (q - q^{-1})$, $\delta(F_w^j \bar{K}_w^l) = \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} F_w^{j-1-i} (q^{-2i} K_w - q^{2i} \bar{K}_w) \bar{K}_w^l / (q - q^{-1})$, $\delta(F_w^j J_w) = \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} F_w^{j-1-i} (q^{-2i} K_w - q^{2i} \bar{K}_w) J_w / (q - q^{-1})$ for $j > 0, l \geq 0$, and $\delta(1) = \delta(K_w) = \delta(\bar{K}_w) = 0$.

Then $A_0 = k[K_w, \bar{K}_w] / (J_w K_w - K_w, \bar{K}_w J_w - \bar{K}_w)$, $A_1 = A_0[F_w, \alpha_1, 0]$, $U_q^w \cong A_2 = A_1[E_w, \alpha_2, \delta]$ such that A_{i+1} is a weak Ore extension of A_i . It follows that U_q^w is Noetherian and is free with basis $\{E_w^i\}_{i \geq 0}$ as a left A_1 -module. Moreover, as a k -linear space, U_q^w has the basis P_w . \square

The similar theorem can be obtained for $ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ as well.

Let $q \in \mathbb{C}$ and $q \neq \pm 1, 0$. Define $U_q^{w'}$ as the algebra generated by the five variables $E_w, F_w, K_w, \bar{K}_w, L_w$ with the relations:

$$K_w \bar{K}_w = \bar{K}_w K_w, \quad K_w \bar{K}_w K_w = K_w, \quad \bar{K}_w K_w \bar{K}_w = \bar{K}_w, \tag{7}$$

$$K_w E_w = q^2 E_w K_w, \quad \bar{K}_w E_w = q^{-2} E_w \bar{K}_w, \tag{8}$$

$$K_w F_w = q^{-2} F_w K_w, \quad \bar{K}_w F_w = q^2 F_w \bar{K}_w, \tag{9}$$

$$[L_w, E_w] = q(E_w K_w + \bar{K}_w E_w), \quad [L_w, F_w] = -q^{-1}(F_w K_w + \bar{K}_w F_w), \tag{10}$$

$$E_w F_w - F_w E_w = L_w, \quad (q - q^{-1})L_w = (K_w - \bar{K}_w), \tag{11}$$

Then U_q^w is isomorphic with the algebra $U_q^{w'}$ with φ_w satisfying $\varphi_w(E_w) = E_w$, $\varphi_w(F_w) = F_w$, $\varphi_w(K_w) = K_w$, $\varphi_w(\bar{K}_w) = \bar{K}_w$. And, the relationship between $U_q^{w'}$ and $U(\mathfrak{sl}(2))$ is that for $q = 1$, (i) the algebra isomorphism $U(\mathfrak{sl}(2)) \cong U_1^{w'} / (K_w - 1)$ holds; (ii) there exists an injective algebra morphism π from $U_1^{w'}$ to $U(\mathfrak{sl}(2)) / (K_w^3 - K_w)$ satisfying $\pi(E_w) = X K_w$, $\pi(F_w) = Y$, $\pi(K_w) = K_w$, $\pi(L) = H K_w$.

For $ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$, define the maps $\Delta_w : ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2) \rightarrow ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2) \otimes ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$, $\varepsilon_w : ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2) \rightarrow k$ and $T_w : ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2) \rightarrow ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ satisfying respectively $\Delta_w(E_w) = 1 \otimes E_w + E_w \otimes K_w$, $\Delta(F_w) = F_w \otimes 1 + \bar{K}_w \otimes F_w$, $\Delta_w(K_w) = K_w \otimes K_w$, $\Delta_w(\bar{K}_w) = \bar{K}_w \otimes \bar{K}_w$, $\varepsilon_w(E_w) = \varepsilon_w(F_w) = 0$, $\varepsilon_w(K_w) = \varepsilon_w(\bar{K}_w) = 1$, $T_w(E_w) = -E_w \bar{K}_w$, $T_w(F_w) = -K_w F_w$, $T(K_w) = \bar{K}_w$, $T_w(\bar{K}_w) = K_w$.

Proposition 5. *The relations above endow $ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ with a bialgebra structure possessing a weak antipode T_w .*

Proposition 6. *T_w^2 is an inner endomorphism of the algebra $ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ satisfying $T_w^2(X) = K_w X \bar{K}_w$ for any $X \in ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$.*

Using the Theorem 4, it can be shown that for the operations above, it is not possible that $ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ would possess an antipode S so as to become a Hopf algebra. Hence, $ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ is an example for a non-commutative and non-cocommutative weak Hopf algebra which is *not a Hopf algebra*.

Also, we can see easily that $U_q^{w'}$ comes into a weak Hopf algebra and φ_w is an isomorphism of weak Hopf algebras from $ws\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ to $U_q^{w'}$.

For J -weak quantum algebra $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$, a thorough analysis gives the following nontrivial definitions $\Delta_v(E_v) = J_v \otimes J_v E_v J_v + J_v E_v J_v \otimes K_v$, $\Delta_v(F_v) = J_v F_v J_v \otimes J_v + \bar{K}_v \otimes J_v F_v J_v$, $\Delta_v(K_v) = K_v \otimes K_v$, $\Delta_v(\bar{K}_v) = \bar{K}_v \otimes \bar{K}_v$, $\varepsilon_v(E_v) = \varepsilon_v(F_v) = 0$, $\varepsilon_v(K_v) = \varepsilon_v(\bar{K}_v) = 1$, $T_v(E_v) = -J_v E_v \bar{K}_v$, $T_v(F_v) = -K_v F_v J_v$, $T_v(K_v) = \bar{K}_v$, $T_v(\bar{K}_v) = K_v$.

These relations endow $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ with a bialgebra structure with a J -weak antipode T_v , i.e. satisfying the regularity conditions $(e_v \star_v T_v \star_v e_v)(X) = e_v(X)$, $(T_v \star_v e_v \star_v T_v)(X) = T_v(X)$, for any X in $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$. From the difference between id and e_v , $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ is not a weak Hopf algebra according to the definition of [2]. So we will call it J -weak Hopf algebra and T_v the J -weak antipode. Remark that the variable e_v can be treated as $n = 2$ example of the "tower identity" $e_{\alpha\beta}^{(n)}$ introduced for semisupermanifolds in [8, 6] or the "obstructor" $e_X^{(n)}$ for general mappings, categories and Yang-Baxter equation in [7].

Now, we discuss the set $G(vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2))$ of all group-like elements of $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$. The concept of *inverse monoid* can be found in [5].

Proposition 7. *The set of all group-like elements $G(vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)) = \{J^{(ij)} = K_w^i \bar{K}_w^j : i, j \text{ run over all non-negative integers}\}$, which forms a regular monoid under the multiplication of $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$.*

Proof. (Schema) Using of $\Delta_w(x) = x \otimes x$, we can conclude that only $x = \alpha_l K_w^l$, $\beta_m \bar{K}_w^m$ or J_w . It follows that $G(vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)) = \{J_w^{(ij)} = K_w^i \bar{K}_w^j : i, j \text{ run over all non-negative integers}\}$ and $J_w^{(ij)} J_w^{(ji)} J_w^{(ij)} = J_w^{(ij)}$, which means that $G(vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2))$ forms a regular monoid under the multiplication of $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$. \square

For $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ we can get a similar statement.

Theorem 8. *$vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ possesses an ideal W and a sub-algebra Y satisfying $vs\mathfrak{sl}_q(2) = Y \oplus W$ and $W \cong \mathfrak{sl}_q(2)$ as Hopf algebras.*

Proof. (Schema) Let W be generated by $\{E_w^i F_w^j K_w^l, E_w^i F_w^j \bar{K}_w^m, E_w^i F_w^j J_w : \text{for all } i \geq 0, j \geq 0, l > 0 \text{ and } m > 0\}$, and Y is generated by $\{E_w^i F_w^j : i \geq 0, j \geq 0\}$. W is a Hopf algebra with the unit J_w , the comultiplication Δ_w^W satisfying $\Delta_w^W(E_w) = J_w \otimes E_w + E_w \otimes K_w$, $\Delta_w^W(F_w) = F_w \otimes J_w + \bar{K}_w \otimes F_w$, $\Delta_w^W(K_w) = K_w \otimes K_w$, $\Delta_w^W(\bar{K}_w) = \bar{K}_w \otimes \bar{K}_w$ and the antipode T_w . ρ is trivial. \square

Let us assume here that q is a root of unity of order d in the field k where d is an odd integer and $d > 1$. Set $I = (E_w^d, F_w^d, K_w^d - J_w)$ the two-sided ideal of U_q^w and the algebra $\bar{U}_q^w = U_q^w/I$. I is also a coideal of U_q and $T_w(I) \subseteq I$. Then I is a weak Hopf ideal and \bar{U}_q^w has a unique weak Hopf algebra structure with the same operations of U_q^w .

By Theorem 8, $\bar{U}_q^w = U_q^w/I = Y/I \oplus W/I \cong Y/(E_w^d, F_w^d) \oplus \tilde{U}_q$ where $\tilde{U}_q = \mathfrak{sl}_q(2)/(E_w^d, F_w^d, K^d - 1)$ is a finite dimensional Hopf algebra. As shown in [4], the sub-algebra \tilde{B}_q of \tilde{U}_q generated by $\{E_w^m K_w^n : 0 \leq m, n \leq d - 1\}$ is a finite dimensional Hopf sub-algebra and \tilde{U}_q is a braided Hopf algebra as a quotient of the

quantum double of \tilde{B}_q . The R -matrix of \tilde{U}_q is

$$\tilde{R} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{0 \leq i, j, k \leq d-1} \frac{(q - q^{-1})^k}{[k]!} q^{k(k-1)/2 + 2k(i-j) - 2ij} E_w^k K_w^i \otimes F_w^k K_w^j.$$

Since $\mathfrak{sl}_q(2) \stackrel{\rho}{\cong} W$ and $(E^d, F^d, K^d - 1) \stackrel{\rho}{\cong} I$, we get $\tilde{U}_q \cong W/I$ under the induced morphism of ρ . Then W/I possesses also an R -matrix

$$R^w = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq d-1; 1 \leq i, j \leq d} \frac{(q - q^{-1})^k}{[k]!} q^{k(k-1)/2 + 2k(i-j) - 2ij} E_w^k K_w^i \otimes F_w^k K_w^j.$$

In W/I , there exists the inverse \hat{R}^w of R^w such that $\hat{R}^w R^w = R^w \hat{R}^w = J_w$ (the identity). Then $R^w \hat{R}^w R^w = R^w$, $\hat{R}^w R^w \hat{R}^w = \hat{R}^w$, which means that the R -matrix is regular in \bar{U}_q . So, we get

Theorem 9. \bar{U}_q is a quasi-braided weak Hopf algebra with

$$R^w = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq d-1; 1 \leq i, j \leq d} \frac{(q - q^{-1})^k}{[k]!} q^{k(k-1)/2 + 2k(i-j) - 2ij} E_w^k K_w^i \otimes F_w^k K_w^j$$

as its quasi- R -matrix, which is von Neumann's regular.

The quasi- R -matrix from J -weak Hopf algebra $\mathfrak{vsl}_q(2)$ has more complicated structure and will be considered elsewhere.

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