Quantum cohomology on flag manifolds, finite difference Toda lattices, and quantum groups

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Abstract

A "completely integrable" system, the finite difference Toda lattices, is constructed from quantum groups $U_q(g)$ for any complex simple Lie algebras g by defining a homomorphism from the center of $U_q(g)$ to finite difference operators. The image consists of the commuting hamiltonians of the finite difference Toda lattices. (This part will only be briefly sketched.)

We will prove that a generating function of one-point quantum K-invariants, the *J*-function, on (complete) flag manifolds of type A_r is the common eigenfunction of the commutating hamiltonians. We also conjecture that this statement holds for arbitrary simple Lie algebra.

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