

# Extended quadratic algebra and a model of the equivariant cohomology ring of flag varieties

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## Abstract

For the root system of type  $A$  we introduce and study a certain extension of the quadratic algebra invented by S. Fomin and the first author, to construct a model for the equivariant cohomology ring of the corresponding flag variety. As an application of our construction we describe a generalization of the equivariant Pieri rule for double Schubert polynomials. For a general finite Coxeter system we construct an extension of the corresponding Nichols-Woronowicz algebra. In the case of finite crystallographic Coxeter systems we present a construction of extended Nichols-Woronowicz algebra model for the equivariant cohomology of the corresponding flag variety.

## 1 Introduction

In the paper [3] S. Fomin and the first author have introduced and study a model for the cohomology ring of flag varieties of type  $A$  as a commutative subalgebra generated by the so-called Dunkl elements in a certain noncommutative quadratic algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n$ . An advantage of the approach developed in [3] is that it admits a simple generalization which is suitable for description of the quantum cohomology ring of flag varieties, as well as (quantum) Schubert polynomials. Constructions from the paper [3] have been generalized to other finite root systems by the authors in [6]. One of the main constituents of the above constructions is the Dunkl elements. The basic properties of the Dunkl elements are:

- 1) they are pairwise commuting;
- 2) in the so-called Calogero-Moser representation [3, 6] they correspond to the *truncated* (i.e. without differential part) rational Dunkl operators [2];

3) in the crystallographic case they correspond – after applying the so-called Bruhat representation [3, 6]– to the Monk formula in the cohomology ring of the flag variety in question;

4) in the crystallographic case, subtraction-free expressions of Schubert polynomials calculated at the Dunkl elements in the algebra  $\widetilde{\mathcal{BE}}(\Sigma)$ , if exist, provide a combinatorial rule for describing the Schubert basis structural constants, i.e. the intersection numbers of Schubert classes.

In the case of classical root systems  $\Delta$ , the first author [4] has defined a certain extension  $\widetilde{\mathcal{BE}}(\Delta)$  of the algebra  $\mathcal{BE}(\Delta)$  together with a pairwise commuting family of elements, called Dunkl elements, which after applying the Calogero-Moser representation exactly coincide with the rational Dunkl operators. One of the main objective of our paper is to study a commutative subalgebra generated by the Dunkl elements in the extended algebra  $\widetilde{\mathcal{BE}}(\Delta)$  in the case of type  $A$  root systems. Our main result in this direction is:

**Theorem 1.1** (Pieri formula in the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R\rangle[t]$ )

$$e_k(\theta_1^{(n)}, \dots, \theta_m^{(n)}) = \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r (2r - 1)!! \binom{m - k + 2r}{2r} \left\{ \sum_{S, I, J} X_S \prod_{\substack{a=1 \\ i_a \in I, j_a \in J}}^{|I|} [i_a, j_a] \right\}.$$

See Section 2, Theorem 2.1, for a detailed explanation of conditions on sets  $I, J$  and  $S$  in the summation, and those on indices  $\{i_a, j_a\}_{a=1}^{|I|}$  in the product.

When  $t = 0$ , Theorem 1.1 describes an analog of Pieri's rule for double Schubert polynomials. An important consequence of Theorem 1.1 states

**Theorem 1.2** *In the case  $t = 0$ , a commutative subalgebra generated by the Dunkl elements in the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R\rangle$  is canonically isomorphic to the  $T$ -equivariant cohomology ring of the type  $A$  flag variety  $Fl_n$ .*

In Section 3 we construct the Bruhat representation of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R\rangle[t]$  and study some properties of the former. The existence of Bruhat's representation of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R\rangle[t]$  plays a crucial role in applications to the equivariant Schubert calculus, and constitutes an important step in the proof of Corollary 2.2.

Another objective of our paper is to construct a certain extension of the Nichols-Woronowicz model for the coinvariant algebra of a finite Coxeter

group  $W$ . Recall that the Nichols-Woronowicz algebra model for the cohomology ring of flag varieties has been invented by Y. Bazlov [1]. In Section 4 we introduce a certain extension  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W$  of the Nichols-Woronowicz algebra  $\mathcal{B}_W$  and construct a commutative subalgebra in the extended Nichols-Woronowicz algebra. Our second main result states

**Theorem 1.3** *For crystallographic root systems and  $t = 0$ , the commutative subalgebra of  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W$  in question is isomorphic to the  $T$ -equivariant cohomology ring of the corresponding flag variety.*

## 2 Extension of the quadratic algebra

**Definition 2.1** *The algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n$  is an associative algebra generated by the symbols  $[i, j]$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ,  $i \neq j$ , subject to the relations:*

- (0) :  $[i, j] = -[j, i]$
- (1) :  $[i, j]^2 = 0$ ,
- (2) :  $[i, j][k, l] = [k, l][i, j]$ , if  $\{i, j\} \cap \{k, l\} = \emptyset$ ,
- (3) :  $[i, j][j, k] + [j, k][k, i] + [k, i][i, j] = 0$ .

Let us consider the extension  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$  of the quadratic algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n$  by the polynomial ring  $R[t] = \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n][t]$  defined by the commutation relations:

- (A) :  $[i, j]x_k = x_k[i, j]$ , for  $k \neq i, j$ ,
- (B) :  $[i, j]x_i = x_j[i, j] + t$ ,  $[i, j]x_j = x_i[i, j] - t$ , for  $i < j$ ,
- (C) :  $[i, j]t = t[i, j]$ .

Note that the  $\mathbb{S}_n$ -invariant subalgebra  $R^{\mathbb{S}_n}[t]$  of  $R[t]$  is contained in the center of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$ .

**Definition 2.2** (1) *We define the  $R[t]$ -algebra  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$  by*

$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t] = \mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t] \otimes_{R^{\mathbb{S}_n}} R.$$

*More explicitly,  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$  is an algebra over the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n]$  generated by the symbols  $[i, j]$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ,  $i \neq j$ , and  $x_1, \dots, x_n, t$  satisfying the relations in the definition of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$ , together with the identification  $e_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) = e_i(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Denote by  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_{n, t_0}$  the specialization of  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$  at  $t = t_0$ .*

(2) *The Dunkl elements  $\theta_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , are defined by the formula*

$$\theta_i = \theta_i^{(n)} = x_i + \sum_{j \neq i} [i, j].$$

**Remark 2.1** Note that  $x_i$ 's do not commute with the Dunkl elements, but only symmetric polynomials in  $x_i$ 's do. By this reason we need the second copy of  $R = \mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n]$ , where  $y_i$ 's assumed to be belong to the center of the algebra  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$ , and  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  for any symmetric polynomial  $f$ .

**Lemma 2.1** *The Dunkl elements commutes each other.*

*Proof.* This follows from the fact that

$$(x_i + x_j)[i, j] = [i, j](x_i + x_j).$$

Let  $e_k(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , stand for the elementary symmetric polynomial of degree  $k$  in the variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . We put by definition,  $e_0(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1$ , and  $e_k(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$ , if  $k < 0$ .

**Theorem 2.1** (Pieri formula in the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$ )

$$e_k(\theta_1^{(n)}, \dots, \theta_m^{(n)}) = \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m - k, 2r) \left\{ \sum_{S, I, J} X_S \prod_{\substack{a=1 \\ i_a \in I, j_a \in J}}^{|I|} [i_a, j_a] \right\},$$

where

$$N(a, 2b) = (2b - 1)!! \binom{a + 2b}{2b},$$

$X_S := \prod_{s \in S} x_s$ ; the second summation runs over triples of sets  $(S, I, J)$  such that  $S \subset \{1, \dots, k\}$ ,  $I$  and  $J$  are subsets of the same cardinality in the set  $\{1, \dots, n\} \setminus S$ , and  $|I| + |S| + 2r = k$ ; the product is taken over pairs  $(i_a, j_a)_{a=1}^{|I|}$  such that  $1 \leq i_a \leq m < j_a \leq n$  and the indices  $i_1, \dots, i_{|I|}$  are all distinct.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A} := \{1, \dots, m\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $d := n - m$  and  $j_i := m + i$ . Denote by  $E_k(\mathcal{A})$  the right-hand side of the formula. It will suffice to prove the recursive formula

$$E_k(\mathcal{A} \cup \{j = j_1\}) = E_k(\mathcal{A}) + E_{k-1}(\mathcal{A})(x_j + \sum_{s \neq j} [j, s]).$$

For a subset  $I = \{i_1, \dots, i_l\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $p \notin I$ , we use the symbol

$$\langle\langle I|p \rangle\rangle = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{S}_l} [i_{w(1)}, p] \cdots [i_{w(l)}, p]$$

as defined in [8]. We have the following decompositions:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_k(\mathcal{A}) &= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k, 2r) X_S \sum_{S \subset \mathcal{A}} \sum_{I_1 \cdots I_d \subset k-2r-|S| \mathcal{A} \setminus S} \langle\langle I_1 | j_1 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle \\
&= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k, 2r) (A_1^r + A_2^r), \\
E_k(\mathcal{A} \cup \{j\}) &= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) X_S \sum_{S \subset \mathcal{A}_2 \cdots I_d \subset k-2r-|S| \mathcal{A} \cup \{j\} \setminus S} \langle\langle I_2 | j_2 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle \\
&= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) (B_1^r + B_2^r + B_3^r), \\
E_{k-1}(\mathcal{A}) \sum_{s \neq j} [j, s] &= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) X_S \sum_{S \subset \mathcal{A}} \sum_{I_1 \cdots I_d \subset k-1-2r-|S| \mathcal{A} \setminus S} \langle\langle I_1 | j_1 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle \sum_{s \neq j} [j, s] \\
&= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) (C_1^r + C_2^r + C_3^r + C_4^r), \\
E_{k-1}(\mathcal{A}) x_j &= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) X_S \sum_{S \subset \mathcal{A}} \sum_{I_1 \cdots I_d \subset k-1-2r-|S| \mathcal{A} \setminus S} \langle\langle I_1 | j_1 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle x_j \\
&= \sum_{r \geq 0} (-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) (D_1^r + D_2^r),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $A_i^r$ ,  $B_i^r$ ,  $C_i^r$ ,  $D_i^r$  are defined as follows.

- $A_1^r$  is the sum of terms with  $I_1 = \emptyset$ ;  $A_2^r$  is the sum of terms with  $I_1 \neq \emptyset$ .
- $B_1^r$  is the sum of terms with  $j \notin S \cup I_2 \cup \cdots \cup I_d$ ;  $B_2^r$  is the sum of terms with  $j \in I_2 \cup \cdots \cup I_d$ ;  $B_3^r$  is the sum of terms with  $j \in S$ .
- $C_1^r$  is the sum of terms with  $s \in \mathcal{A} \setminus (S \cup I_1 \cup \cdots \cup I_d)$ ;  $C_2^r$  is the sum of terms with  $s \in I_2 \cup \cdots \cup I_d \cup \mathcal{A}^c$ ;  $C_3^r$  is the sum of terms with  $s \in S$ ;  $C_4^r$  is the sum of terms with  $s \in I_1$ .
- $D_1^r$  is the sum of terms with  $I_1 = \emptyset$ ;  $D_2^r$  is the sum of terms with  $I_1 \neq \emptyset$ .

Based on the same arguments used in [8], we can see that  $A_1^r = B_1^r$ ,  $A_2^r + C_1^r = 0$ ,  $B_2^r = C_2^r$  and  $C_4^r = 0$ . It is also easy to see that  $B_3^r = D_1^r$ . Now we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E_k(\mathcal{A}) + E_{k-1}(\mathcal{A})(x_j + \sum_{s \neq j} [j, s]) - E_k(\mathcal{A} \cup \{j\}) \\
&= \sum_{r \geq 0} \sum_{S \subset \mathcal{A}} (-t)^r (N(m-k, 2r)(A_1^r + A_2^r) - N(m-k+1, 2r)(B_1^r - C_1^r - C_3^r - D_2^r)) \\
&= \sum_{r \geq 1} \sum_{S \subset \mathcal{A}} (-t)^r (N(m-k, 2r) - N(m-k+1, 2r)) (A_1^r + A_2^r) \\
&\quad + \sum_{r \geq 0} \sum_{S \subset \mathcal{A}} (-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) (C_3^r + D_2^r).
\end{aligned}$$

From the commutation relation  $[i, j]x_j = x_i[i, j] - t$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
D_2^r &> = X_S \sum_{\substack{I_1 \cdots I_d \subset [k-1-2r-|S|] \mathcal{A} \setminus S \\ I_1 = \{a_1, \dots, a_{|I_1|}\}}} \sum_{w \in \mathbb{S}_{|I_1|}} x_{a_w(|I_1|)} [a_w(1), j] \cdots [a_w(|I_1|), j] \langle\langle I_2 | j_2 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle \\
&\quad - t X_S \sum_{\substack{I_1 \cdots I_d \subset [k-1-2r-|S|] \mathcal{A} \setminus S \\ I_1 = \{a_1, \dots, a_{|I_1|}\}}} \sum_{w \in \mathbb{S}_{|I_1|}} [a_w(1), j] \cdots [a_w(|I_1|-1), j] \langle\langle I_2 | j_2 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle \\
&= \sum_{s \notin S} X_{S \cup \{s\}} \sum_{I_1 \cdots I_d \subset [k-1-2r-(|S|+1)] \mathcal{A} \setminus S \cup \{s\}} \langle\langle I_1 | j_1 \rangle\rangle [s, j] \langle\langle I_2 | j_2 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle \\
&\quad - (m-k+2r+2)t X_S \sum_{I_1 \cdots I_d \subset [k-2-2r-|S|] \mathcal{A} \setminus S} \langle\langle I_1 | j_1 \rangle\rangle \cdots \langle\langle I_d | j_d \rangle\rangle \\
&= -C_3^r + (-t)(m-k+2r+2)(A_1^{r+1} + A_2^{r+1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& (-t)^{r+1} (N(m-k, 2(r+1)) - N(m-k+1, 2(r+1))) (A_1^{r+1} + A_2^{r+1}) \\
&= -(-t)^{r+1} (2r+1)!! \frac{(m-k+2r+2)!}{(2r+1)!(m-k+1)!} (A_1^{r+1} + A_2^{r+1}) \\
&= -(-t)^r (2r-1)!! \frac{(m-k+2r+1)!}{(2r)!(m-k+1)!} \cdot (-t)(m-k+2r+2) (A_1^{r+1} + A_2^{r+1}) \\
&= -(-t)^r N(m-k+1, 2r) (C_3^r + D_2^r).
\end{aligned}$$

This shows the desired result.

**Corollary 2.1** *The list of relations in the algebra  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$*

$$e_k(\theta_1^{(n)}, \dots, \theta_n^{(n)}) = e_k(y_1, \dots, y_n) + \sum_{r \geq 1} (-t)^r (2r-1)!! \binom{n-k+2r}{2r} e_{k-2r}(y_1, \dots, y_n), \quad 1 \leq k \leq n,$$

*describes the complete set of relations among the Dunkl elements  $\theta_1^{(n)}, \dots, \theta_n^{(n)}$ .*

**Corollary 2.2** *For  $t = 0$ , the subalgebra of  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_{n,0}$  generated by the Dunkl elements  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  over  $H_T(\text{pt}) = \mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n]$  is isomorphic to the  $T$ -equivariant cohomology ring  $H_T^*(Fl_n)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(0 = U_0 \subset U_1 \subset \dots \subset U_n)$  be the universal flag over  $Fl_n$ . First of all it follows from Corollary 2.1 that the natural map  $z_i := -c_1(U_i/U_{i-1}) \mapsto \theta_i, y_i \mapsto y_i$  defines a surjective homomorphism

$$\pi : H_T^*(Fl_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n][\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n] \subset \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_{n,0}.$$

On the other hand, it follows from the definitions that the image of Dunkl's element  $\theta_i$  in the Bruhat representation (see Section 3) acts according to the rule:

$$\theta_i \underline{w} = y_{w(i)} \underline{w} + \sum_{\substack{j > i \\ l(wt_{ij})=l(w)+1}} \underline{wt_{ij}} - \sum_{\substack{j < i \\ l(wt_{ij})=l(w)+1}} \underline{wt_{ij}}.$$

This rule exactly corresponds to the Monk formula for double Schubert polynomials, see e.g. [7, Exercise 2.7.2]. Therefore the element  $\text{id.}$  generates  $\mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n]\langle \mathbb{S}_n \rangle$  over  $\mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n][\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n]$ . Since  $\mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n]\langle \mathbb{S}_n \rangle$  is isomorphic as a  $\mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n]$ -module to the quotient  $\mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n, z_1, \dots, z_n]/J_n$ , where  $J_n$  denotes the ideal generated by the elements  $e_k(z_1, \dots, z_n) - e_k(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ . This exactly means that the homomorphism  $\pi$  is an isomorphism.

We expect that for general  $t$  the subalgebra in  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$  generated by the Dunkl elements  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  over  $\mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n][t]$  is isomorphic to the  $(T \times \mathbf{C}^\times)$ -equivariant cohomology ring  $H_{T \times \mathbf{C}^\times}^*(Fl_n)$ .

**Theorem 2.2** *The subalgebra generated by the elements  $g_1 := [1, 2], g_2 := [2, 3], \dots, g_{n-1} := [n-1, n]$  in the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$  is isomorphic to the nil degenerate affine Hecke algebra of type  $A_{n-1}^{(1)}$ , i.e. the algebra given by two*

sets of generators  $g_1, \dots, g_{n-1}$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  subject to the set of defining relations:

$$\begin{aligned} g_i^2 &= 0, \quad g_i g_j = g_j g_i, \quad \text{if } |i - j| > 1, \quad g_i g_j g_i = g_j g_i g_j, \quad \text{if } |i - j| = 1, \\ x_i x_j &= x_j x_i, \quad x_k g_i = g_i x_k, \quad \text{if } k \neq i, i + 1, \quad g_i x_i - x_{i+1} g_i = t. \end{aligned}$$

### 3 Bruhat representation

Let us recall the definition of the Bruhat representation of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n$  on the group ring of the symmetric group  $\mathbb{Z}\langle \mathbb{S}_n \rangle = \bigoplus_{w \in \mathbb{S}_n} \mathbb{Z} \cdot \underline{w}$ . The operator  $\sigma_{ij}$ ,  $i < j$ , is defined as follows:

$$\sigma_{ij}(\underline{w}) = \begin{cases} \underline{wt_{ij}}, & \text{if } l(wt_{ij}) = l(w) + 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then the Bruhat representation of  $\mathcal{E}_n$  is defined by  $[i, j] \cdot \underline{w} := \sigma_{ij}(\underline{w})$ .

Now we extend the Bruhat representation to that of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$  defined on

$$R[t]\langle \mathbb{S}_n \rangle = \bigoplus_{w \in \mathbb{S}_n} \mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n][t] \cdot \underline{w}.$$

For  $f(y) \in \mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n][t]$  and  $w \in \mathbb{S}_n$ , we define the  $\mathbb{Z}[t]$ -linear operators  $\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}$ ,  $i < j$ , and  $\xi_k$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(f(y)\underline{w}) &= \begin{cases} t(\partial_{w^{(i)}w^{(j)}} f(y))\underline{w} + f(y)\underline{wt_{ij}}, & \text{if } l(wt_{ij}) = l(w) + 1, \\ t(\partial_{w^{(i)}w^{(j)}} f(y))\underline{w}, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \xi_k(f(y)\underline{w}) &= (y_{w(k)} f(y))\underline{w}. \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.1** *The algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$  acts  $\mathbb{Z}[t]$ -linearly on  $\mathbb{Z}[y][t]\langle \mathbb{S}_n \rangle$  via  $[i, j] \mapsto \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}$  and  $x_k \mapsto \xi_k$ .*

*Proof.* Let us check the compatibility with the defining relations of the algebra  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$ . We show the compatibility only with the relations (1), (3) and (B). The rest are easy to check.

Let us start with the relation (1). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^2(f(y)\underline{w}) &= \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(t(\partial_{w^{(i)}w^{(j)}} f(y))\underline{w} + f(y)\sigma_{ij}(\underline{w})) \\ &= t^2(\partial_{w^{(i)}w^{(j)}}^2 f(y))\underline{w} + t(\partial_{w^{(i)}w^{(j)}} f(y))\sigma_{ij}(\underline{w}) \\ &\quad + t(\partial_{w^{(j)}w^{(i)}} f(y))\sigma_{ij}(\underline{w}) + f(y)\sigma_{ij}^2(\underline{w}). \end{aligned}$$



Since  $\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(j)}}}^2 = 0$ ,  $\sigma_{ij}^2 = 0$  and  $\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(j)}}} = -\partial_{w^{(j)w^{(i)}}$ , we get  $\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^2 = 0$ .

For the relation (3), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}\tilde{\sigma}_{jk}(f(y)\underline{w}) &= \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(t(\partial_{w^{(j)w^{(k)}}}f(y))\underline{w} + f(y)\sigma_{jk}(\underline{w})) \\ &= t^2(\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(j)}}}\partial_{w^{(j)w^{(k)}}}f(y))\underline{w} + t(\partial_{w^{(j)w^{(k)}}}f(y))\sigma_{ij}(\underline{w}) \\ &\quad + t(\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(k)}}}f(y))\sigma_{jk}(\underline{w}) + f(y)\sigma_{ij}\sigma_{jk}(\underline{w}).\end{aligned}$$

We also obtain  $\tilde{\sigma}_{jk}\tilde{\sigma}_{ki}(f(y)\underline{w})$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}_{ki}\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(f(y)\underline{w})$  by the cyclic permutation of  $i, j, k$ . The 3-term relations

$$\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(j)}}}\partial_{w^{(j)w^{(k)}}} + \partial_{w^{(j)w^{(k)}}}\partial_{w^{(k)w^{(i)}}} + \partial_{w^{(k)w^{(i)}}}\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(j)}}} = 0$$

and

$$\sigma_{ij}\sigma_{jk} + \sigma_{jk}\sigma_{ki} + \sigma_{ki}\sigma_{ij} = 0$$

show the desired equality

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}\tilde{\sigma}_{jk} + \tilde{\sigma}_{jk}\tilde{\sigma}_{ki} + \tilde{\sigma}_{ki}\tilde{\sigma}_{ij} = 0.$$

Finally, we check the relation (B). We have

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}\xi_i(f(y)\underline{w}) &= \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(y_{w^{(i)}}f(y)\underline{w}) \\ &= t\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(j)}}}(y_{w^{(i)}}f(y))\underline{w} + (y_{w^{(i)}}f(y))\sigma_{ij}(\underline{w}) \\ &= t(f(y)\underline{w}) + t(y_{w^{(j)}}\partial_{w^{(i)w^{(j)}}}f(y))\underline{w} + y_{wt_{ij}(j)}\sigma_{ij}(\underline{w}) \\ &= \xi_j\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(f(y)\underline{w}) + t(f(y)\underline{w}).\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.1** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}_w(x, y)$  be the double Schubert polynomial corresponding to  $w \in \mathbb{S}_n$ . Then, we have*

$$\mathfrak{S}_w(\theta, y)(\underline{\text{id.}}) = \underline{w}.$$

*Proof.* This follows from the Monk formula for the double Schubert polynomials and

$$\begin{aligned}(\theta_i - y_{w^{(i)}})(\underline{w}) &= \xi_i(\underline{w}) + \sum_{j \neq i} \sigma_{ij}(\underline{w}) - y_{w^{(i)}}\underline{w} \\ &= \sum_{j < i, l(wt_{ij})=l(w)+1} \underline{wt_{ij}} - \sum_{j > i, l(wt_{ij})=l(w)+1} \underline{wt_{ij}}.\end{aligned}$$

**Remark 3.1** Only when  $t = 0$ , one can extend  $\mathbb{Z}[y][t]$ -linearly the Bruhat representation of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n\langle R \rangle[t]$  to that of the algebra  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n[t]$ . In fact, Theorem 3.1 describes the multiplicative structure of the  $\mathbb{Z}[y]$ -subalgebra generated by the Dunkl elements in  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_{n,0}$ , which is isomorphic to  $H_T^*(Fl_n)$ . Nevertheless, the property of the double Schubert polynomials in Theorem 3.1 holds for arbitrary  $t$ .

## 4 Quantization

**Definition 4.1** The algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n^q$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}[q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}]$ -algebra defined by the same generators and relations as in the definition of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n$  except that the relation (1) is replaced by

$$(1)' \quad [i, j]^2 = \begin{cases} q_i & \text{if } i = j - 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } i < j - 1. \end{cases}$$

The extension  $\mathcal{E}_n^q\langle R \rangle[t]$  of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n^q$  is also defined by the relations (A), (B) and (C).

The Bruhat representation for  $\mathcal{E}_n$  is deformed to the quantum Bruhat representation for  $\mathcal{E}_n^q$ . We define the quantum Bruhat operator  $\sigma_{ij}^q$ ,  $i < j$ , acting on  $\mathbb{Z}[q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}]\langle \mathbb{S}_n \rangle = \bigoplus_{w \in \mathbb{S}_n} \mathbb{Z}[q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}] \cdot \underline{w}$  as follows:

$$\sigma_{ij}^q(\underline{w}) = \begin{cases} q_{ij} \underline{wt_{ij}}, & \text{if } l(wt_{ij}) = l(w) - 2(j - i) + 1, \\ \underline{wt_{ij}}, & \text{if } l(wt_{ij}) = l(w) + 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $f(y) \in \mathbb{Z}[y_1, \dots, y_n][t]$  and  $w \in \mathbb{S}_n$ , we define the  $\mathbb{Z}[q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}][t]$ -linear operators  $\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^q$  by

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^q(f(y)\underline{w}) = t(\partial_{w(i)w(j)} f(y))\underline{w} + f(y)\sigma_{ij}^q(\underline{w}).$$

We can check the well-definedness of the quantum extended Bruhat representation  $[ij] \mapsto \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^q$ ,  $x_k \mapsto \xi_k$  of the algebra  $\mathcal{E}_n^q\langle R \rangle[t]$  in the same way as the proof of Proposition 3.1.

**Theorem 4.1** Let  $\mathfrak{S}_w^q(x, y)$  be the quantum double Schubert polynomial corresponding to  $w \in \mathbb{S}_n$ . Then, we have

$$\mathfrak{S}_w^q(\theta, y)(\text{id.}) = \underline{w}$$

under the quantum extended Bruhat representation.

*Proof.* This follows from the quantum Monk formula for the quantum Schubert polynomials.

**Corollary 4.1** *The quantum double Schubert polynomials  $\mathfrak{S}_w^q(x, y)$  are characterized by the conditions:*

- (1)  $\mathfrak{S}_w^q(x, y)|_{q=0} = \mathfrak{S}_w(x, y)$ ,
- (2)  $\mathfrak{S}_w^q(x, y)$  is a linear combination of polynomials  $\mathfrak{S}_v(x, y)$  with  $v \leq w$  over  $\mathbb{Z}[q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}]$ ,
- (3)  $\mathfrak{S}_w^q(\theta, y)(\text{id.}) = \underline{w}$ .

## 5 Nichols-Woronowicz model

The model of the equivariant cohomology ring  $H_T^*(Fl_n)$  in the algebra  $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_n$  has a natural interpretation in terms of the Nichols-Woronowicz algebra. The Nichols-Woronowicz approach leads us to the uniform construction for arbitrary root systems.

We denote by  $\mathcal{B}_W$  the Nichols-Woronowicz algebra associated to the Yetter-Drinfeld module

$$V = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta} \mathbb{R}[\alpha] / ([\alpha] + [-\alpha])$$

over the finite Coxeter group  $W$  of the root system  $\Delta$ . Let  $\mathfrak{h}$  be the reflection representation of  $W$  and  $R = \text{Sym} \mathfrak{h}^*$  the ring of polynomial functions on  $\mathfrak{h}$ . Let us consider the extension  $\mathcal{B}_W \langle R \rangle [t]$  of the algebra  $\mathcal{B}_W$  by the polynomial ring  $R[t]$  defined by the commutation relation

$$[\alpha]x = s_\alpha(x)[\alpha] + t(x, \alpha) \quad \text{for } x \in \mathfrak{h}^*.$$

**Definition 5.1** *We define the  $R$ -algebra  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W$  by*

$$\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W = \mathcal{B}_W \langle R \rangle [t] \otimes_{R^W} R.$$

Choose a  $W$ -invariant constants  $(c_\alpha)_\alpha$ . Let us consider a linear map  $\mu : \mathfrak{h}^* \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W$  defined as

$$\mu(x) = x + \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} c_\alpha(x, \alpha)[\alpha]$$

for  $x \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ .

**Proposition 5.1**  $[\mu(x), \mu(y)] = 0, x, y \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ .

The linear map  $\mu$  extends to a homomorphism of algebras

$$\mu : R \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_W \langle R \rangle [t].$$

Denote by  $\tilde{\mu}$  the composite of the homomorphisms

$$R \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes 1} \mathcal{B}_W \langle R \rangle [t] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W.$$

**Theorem 5.1** *If  $t = 0$  and the constants  $(c_\alpha)_\alpha$  are generic, the image of the homomorphism  $\tilde{\mu}$  is isomorphic to the algebra  $R \otimes_{R^W} R$ . In particular, when  $W$  is the Weyl group, it is isomorphic to the  $T$ -equivariant cohomology ring  $H_T^*(G/B)$  of the corresponding flag variety  $G/B$ .*

The proof is based on the correspondence between the twisted derivation  $D_\alpha$  and the divided difference operator  $\partial_\alpha$ . We define the operator  $D_\alpha$  as the twisted derivation on  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W$  determined by the conditions:

- (1):  $D_\alpha(x) = 0$ , for  $x \in R$ ,
- (2):  $D_\alpha([\beta]) = \delta_{\alpha, \beta}$ , for  $\alpha, \beta \in \Delta_+$ ,
- (3):  $D_\alpha(fg) = D_\alpha(f)g + s_\alpha(f)D_\alpha(g)$ .

The operator  $D_\alpha$  is linear with respect to  $R$  on the second component.

**Proposition 5.2**

$$\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} \text{Ker}(D_\alpha) = R[t] \otimes_{R^W} R$$

*Proof.* Any element  $\omega \in \mathcal{B}_W \langle R \rangle [t]$  can be written as

$$\omega = f_1 \varphi_1 + \cdots + f_k \varphi_k,$$

where  $f_1, \dots, f_k \in R[t]$  are linearly independent, and  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_k \in \mathcal{B}_W$ . We have

$$D_\alpha(\omega) = s_\alpha(f_1)D_\alpha(\varphi_1) + \cdots + s_\alpha(f_k)D_\alpha(\varphi_k)$$

from the twisted Leibniz rule. If  $D_\alpha(\omega) = 0$ , we have  $D_\alpha(\varphi_1) = \cdots = D_\alpha(\varphi_k) = 0$ . Hence,  $\omega \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} \text{Ker}(D_\alpha)$  implies that  $\varphi_i \in \mathcal{B}_W^0 = \mathbb{R}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ . This means  $\omega \in R[t]$ .

**Proposition 5.3**

$$D_\alpha(\tilde{\mu}(x)) = c_\alpha \tilde{\mu}(\partial_\alpha(x))$$

for  $x \in R \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R$ .

*Proof.* When  $x = \beta \otimes 1$ ,  $\beta \in \Delta$ , we can check that

$$D_\alpha(\tilde{\mu}(\beta \otimes 1)) = c_\alpha(\beta, \alpha) = c_\alpha \tilde{\mu}(\partial_\alpha(\beta)).$$

Hence, we have  $D_\alpha(\tilde{\mu}(x)) = c_\alpha \tilde{\mu}(\partial_\alpha(x))$  for  $x \in \mathfrak{h}^* \otimes R$ . On the other hand, the both-hands sides satisfy the same twisted Leibniz rule, so it follows that  $D_\alpha(\tilde{\mu}(x)) = c_\alpha \tilde{\mu}(\partial_\alpha(x))$  for  $x \in R \otimes R$ .

(*Proof of Theorem 5.1*) If  $x \in R^W \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R$ , we have  $D_\alpha(\tilde{\mu}(x)) = 0$  for every  $\alpha \in \Delta_+$  from Proposition 5.3. This implies from Proposition 5.2 that  $\tilde{\mu}(x) \in R^W \otimes_{R^W} R$ . When  $t = 0$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}(x)$  coincides with the element of  $R$  which is obtained by replacing all the symbols  $[\alpha]$  by zero in  $\tilde{\mu}(x)$ . Hence, the homomorphism  $\tilde{\mu}$  factors through  $R \otimes_{R^W} R \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W$ . Since a linear basis of the coinvariant algebra of  $W$  gives an  $R^W$ -basis of  $R$ , it is easy to see that  $R \otimes_{R^W} R \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_W$  is injective.

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