

# Supergrassmanians, superflags and the conformal superspace

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## Projective geometry

Let  $G$  be a ss Lie group,  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G)$ ,  $\mathfrak{h}$  a CSA and  $\Delta = \Delta^+ + \Delta^-$  the set of (positive and negative) roots. Let

$$\mathfrak{n}_+ = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \mathfrak{g}_\alpha, \quad \mathfrak{n}_- = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta^-} \mathfrak{g}_\alpha,$$

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{n}_- \oplus \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{n}_+,$$

$\mathfrak{b}_\pm = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{n}_\pm$  are *Borel subalgebras*. All Borel subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{g}$  are related by conjugation.

A *parabolic subalgebra*  $\mathfrak{p} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  is a subalgebra that contains the Borel subalgebra but it is not  $\mathfrak{g}$  itself.

**Example.** For  $SL_4(\mathbb{C})$ , Borel and parabolic subalgebras are, respectively,

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & * \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & * & * \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Projective geometry

**Theorem.** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a complex ss Lie algebra,  $\mathfrak{p}$  a parabolic subalgebra,  $G$  a connected Lie group with  $\text{Lie}(G) = \mathfrak{g}$  and  $P$  a parabolic subgroup of  $G$  with  $\text{Lie}(P) = \mathfrak{p}$ . Then, the generalized flag manifold  $G/P$  is a compact Kähler manifold and a projective algebraic variety. Moreover,  $P$  is parabolic if and only if  $G/P$  is a projective algebraic variety. ■

Embeddings of a variety into projective spaces are in one to one correspondence with *very ample line bundles*: bundles that have enough global sections so to span, at each point, the fiber. These global sections are used as projective coordinates.

**Example.** *Projective space.*  $\mathbf{P}^n = \{\text{Lines in } \mathbb{C}^{n+1}\}$ .

The order one polynomials  $(x^0, \dots, x^n)$  span globally a line bundle, since they are not simultaneously 0. It is a very ample line bundle. ■

# Projective geometry

For every parabolic subalgebra  $\mathfrak{p}$  one can associate a  $k$ -grading of  $\mathfrak{g}$

$$\mathfrak{g} = \cdots \oplus \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_{+1} \oplus \cdots$$

such that  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_{+1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_{+2} \oplus \cdots$ .

One denotes as  $\mathfrak{g}_{\pm} = \mathfrak{g}_{\pm 1} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_{\pm 2} \oplus \cdots$ .

We consider now  $G/P$  and  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/P$ . Its sheaf of regular functions is given, for  $U \subset_{\text{open}} G/P$ , by

$$\mathcal{R}_{G/P}(U) = \{f \in \mathcal{O}_G(\pi^{-1}(U)) \mid f(gp) = f(g)\}$$

$$\forall g \in \pi^{-1}(U), p \in P\}.$$

## Projective geometry

The Lie subgroup  $G_0 \subset G$  whose Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  is the *Levi subgroup* of  $G$  with respect to this grading. We consider the one dimensional representation (determinant of the Adjoint on  $\mathfrak{p}_-$ )

$$\begin{aligned} G_0 &\xrightarrow{\chi} \mathbb{C} \\ g &\longrightarrow |\det(\text{Ad}_-(g))|^{-\frac{1}{d}}. \end{aligned}$$

This representation of  $G_0$  one can be extended to  $P$  just by letting it act trivially on  $\mathfrak{g}_+$ .

Then, by the method of induced representations, we extend it to the full  $G$ . As the representation space we shall consider the set of sections of the line bundle  $G \times_P \mathbb{C}$  over  $G/P$ , defined by

$$\Gamma(G \times_P \mathbb{C}) = \{f \in \mathcal{O}(G) \otimes \mathbb{C} \mid f(gp) = \chi(p)^{-1}f(g)\}$$

$$\forall g \in G, p \in P\}.$$

## Projective geometry.

The *complexified, conformal space* is the Grassmannian


$$G(2, 4) = \mathrm{SL}_4(\mathbb{C})/P = \{2\text{-planes in } \mathbb{C}^4\} \text{ where}$$

$$\mathfrak{p} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & q \\ 0 & r \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \text{ with grading}$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_0 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & 0 \\ 0 & r \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \mathfrak{g}_{-1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ m & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \mathfrak{g}_{+1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

**Remark.** The big cell of  $G(2, 4)$  is the complexified Minkowski space. We identify it by studying the action of the subgroup of  $\mathrm{SL}(4, \mathbb{C})$  corresponding to the Poincaré group. When taking the physical real form, however, the conformal group is  $\mathrm{SU}(2, 2)$  and the real space on which it acts is NOT a real Grassmannian. ■

The Levi subgroup is the double cover of the Lorentz group times dilations  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}) \times \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C}) \times \mathbb{C}^\times$ , acting on the *twistor space*.

The induced line bundle is the bundle of *conformal densities*. 

# Projective geometry

**Proposition.** *Let*

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}, \quad p = \begin{pmatrix} L & Q \\ 0 & R \end{pmatrix}.$$

*Then, the bundle of conformal densities of weight 1 over  $SL_4(\mathbb{C})/P$ , defined by the character  $\det L^{-1}$  of  $P$  is very ample.* ■

In fact, the determinants formed by minors corresponding to the first two columns of  $g$  are equivariant functions on  $SL_4(\mathbb{C})$ :

$$gp = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L & Q \\ 0 & R \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} AL & AQ + BR \\ CL & CQ + DR \end{pmatrix}$$

and they cannot all be simultaneously 0.



This embedding is exactly the Plücker embedding  $G(2, 4)$  into  $\mathbf{P}(\wedge^2 \mathbb{C}^4) = \mathbf{P}^5$ .

The first two columns of  $g$  can be taken as two vectors spanning a plane in  $G(2, 4)$ . The minors  $d_{ij}$ ,  $i < j = 1, \dots, 4$  (columns 1, 2 and rows  $i, j$ ) are homogeneous coordinates for  $\mathbf{P}^5$ .

As it is well known, the image of the embedding is given by the *Klein quadric*

$$d_{12}d_{34} - d_{13}d_{24} + d_{14}d_{23} = 0.$$

## Super projective geometry

There is no generalization of the former theorem. There are superflag manifolds that are not projective. This happens when certain sheaf-cohomology group is  $\neq 0$ . So there can be topological obstructions to super projectiveness.

**Example.** The Grassmann super variety  $G(1|1, 2|2)$  cannot be embedded in a projective superspace. ■

Still, for the ones that are projective, there is a one to one correspondence between super projective embeddings and very ample superline bundles (rank  $1|0$  bundles).

**Projective superspace.** We consider homogeneous polynomials in

$$\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n; \xi_0, \dots, \xi_n].$$

The projective coordinates  $(x^0, \dots, x^n; \xi_0, \dots, \xi_n)$  form a basis of the set of global sections of a super line bundle.

# Antichiral superspace $G(2|0, 4|1)$

We consider the ss super Lie algebra

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}(4|1) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & q & \nu \\ p & r & \alpha \\ \mu & \beta & s \end{pmatrix} \mid \text{tr } l + \text{tr } r = s \right\}.$$

Three examples of projective superflag manifolds with projective embedding that have physical meaning.

# Antichiral superspace $Gr_1 = G(2|0, 4|1)$

$$\mathfrak{p}_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & q & \nu \\ 0 & r & \alpha \\ 0 & \beta & s \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \text{ with grading}$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_{-1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ p & 0 & 0 \\ \mu & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \mathfrak{g}_0 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r & \alpha \\ 0 & \beta & s \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_{+1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q & \nu \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

## Chiral superspace $\text{Gr}_2 = G(2|1, 4|1)$

$$\mathfrak{p}_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & q & \nu \\ 0 & r & 0 \\ \mu & \beta & s \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \text{ with grading}$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_{-1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ p & 0 & \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \mathfrak{g}_0 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & 0 & \nu \\ 0 & r & 0 \\ \mu & 0 & s \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_{+1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

## Conformal superspace with real form $F = F(2|0, 2|1, 4|1)$

$$\mathfrak{p}_u = \mathfrak{p}_1 \cap \mathfrak{p}_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & q & \nu \\ 0 & r & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & s \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \text{ with grading.}$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_{-2} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ p & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \mathfrak{g}_{-1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha \\ \mu & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_0 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} l & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_{+2} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \mathfrak{g}_{+1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \nu \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

# Super Plücker embedding

Let  $E = \wedge^2(\mathbb{C}^{4|1}) \approx \mathbb{C}^{7|4}$  and  $A$  an arbitrary superalgebra (functor of points approach). We consider the map:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Gr}_1(A) & \xrightarrow{p_A} \mathbf{P}(E)(A) \\ W_1(A) = \mathrm{span}\{a_1, a_2\} & \longrightarrow [a_1 \wedge a_2]. \end{aligned}$$

We ask then when a generic even vector

$$w = d + \delta \wedge \mathcal{E}_5 + d_{55} \mathcal{E}_5 \wedge \mathcal{E}_5 \in E(A)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
d &:= d_{12}e_1 \wedge e_2 + d_{13}e_1 \wedge e_3 + d_{14}e_1 \wedge e_4 + d_{23}e_2 \wedge e_3 + \\
&\quad d_{24}e_2 \wedge e_4 + d_{34}e_3 \wedge e_4, \\
\delta &:= \delta_{15}e_1 + \delta_{25}e_2 + \delta_{35}e_3 + \delta_{45}e_4.
\end{aligned}$$

is in the image of this map. The result is that it has to be *decomposable*. This gives algebraic relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
d_{12}d_{34} - d_{13}d_{24} + d_{14}d_{23} &= 0, && \text{(classical Plücker relation)} \\
d_{ij}\delta_{k5} - d_{ik}\delta_{j5} + d_{jk}\delta_{i5} &= 0, && 1 \leq i < j < k \leq 4, \\
\delta_{i5}\delta_{j5} &= d_{55}d_{ij}, && 1 \leq i < j \leq 4.
\end{aligned}$$

They are the *super Plücker relations*.

This projective embedding is realized in terms of a very ample line bundle by taking the one dimensional representation  $d_{12}$  of  $G_0$ .



The coordinate rings of  $\text{Gr}_1$ ,  $\text{Gr}_2$  and  $F$  can be seen as subrings of the coordinate ring of  $\text{SL}(4|1)$  (crucial point for the quantization).

Let

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} & g_{14} & \gamma_{15} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & g_{23} & g_{24} & \gamma_{25} \\ g_{31} & g_{32} & g_{33} & g_{34} & \gamma_{35} \\ g_{41} & g_{42} & g_{43} & g_{44} & \gamma_{45} \\ \gamma_{51} & \gamma_{52} & \gamma_{53} & \gamma_{54} & g_{55} \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}(4|1)(A).$$

Let now

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad ge_1 = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} \\ g_{21} \\ g_{31} \\ g_{41} \\ \gamma_{51} \end{pmatrix}, \quad ge_2 = \begin{pmatrix} g_{12} \\ g_{22} \\ g_{32} \\ g_{42} \\ \gamma_{52} \end{pmatrix},$$

be two vectors of the standard basis  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  and the result of applying  $g$  to them. This selects the first two columns of  $g$ , which are the two independent vectors generating the subspace  $W_1(A)$ .

The coordinate ring of  $\text{SL}(4|1)$  is

$$\mathbb{C}[\text{SL}(4|1)] = \mathbb{C}[g_{ij}, \gamma_{i5}, \gamma_{5i}] / (\text{Ber } g - 1),$$

We are now interpreting the entries as (even and odd) indeterminates.

One can show that  $\mathbb{C}[\text{Gr}_1]$  is the subring of  $\mathbb{C}[\text{SL}(4|1)]$  generated by the  $2 \times 2$  determinants

$$d_{ij}^{12} := g_{i1}g_{j2} - g_{i2}g_{j1}, \quad \delta_{i5}^{12} := g_{i1}\gamma_{52} - g_{i2}\gamma_{51}, \quad d_{55}^{12} = \gamma_{51}\gamma_{52},$$

with  $i, j = 1, \dots, 4$ . We will suppress the superindex indicating columns 1 and 2.

## Super Plücker embedding

For  $G(2|1, 4|1)$  we use a duality relation. The Grassmannian of  $2|1$ -planes on  $\mathbb{C}^{4|1}$  (*super twistor space*) is isomorphic to the Grassmannian of  $2|0$ -planes on  $(\mathbb{C}^{4|1})^*$ . One just has to substitute  $g$  by  $(g^{-1})^T$ . The super Plücker relations are

$$d_{12}^* d_{34}^* - d_{13}^* d_{24}^* + d_{14}^* d_{23}^* = 0, \quad (\text{classical Plücker relations})$$

$$d_{ij}^* \delta_{k5}^* - d_{ik}^* \delta_{j5}^* + d_{jk}^* \delta_{i5}^* = 0, \quad 1 \leq i < j < k \leq 4,$$

$$\delta_{i5}^* \delta_{j5}^* = d_{55}^* d_{ij}^*, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq 4$$

The line bundle is constructed with  $d_{12}^*$ .

We have  $G(2|0, 4|1) \times G(2|1, 4|1) \subset \mathbf{P}^{6|4} \times (\mathbf{P}^{6|4})^*$ .

The flag supervariety  $F(2|0, 2|1, 4|1) \subset G(2|0, 4|1) \times G(2|1, 4|1)$ .

One has to impose the condition that the  $2|0$  subspace is inside the  $2|1$  subspace. This gives the *incidence relations*

$$\sum_{j=1}^5 d_{ij}^* d_{jk} = 0, \quad \forall i, k = 1, \dots, 5.$$

Summarizing:

**Theorem.** *There is an embedding of the superflag*

$$F \subset \text{Gr}_1 \times \text{Gr}_2 \subset \mathbf{P}(E) \times \mathbf{P}(E^*),$$

*with  $E = \wedge^2(T) \cong \mathbb{C}^{7|4}$ ,  $E^* = \wedge^2(T^*) \cong \mathbb{C}^{7|4}$  and  $T \cong C^{4|1}$ . With respect to such embedding, the coordinate ring of  $F$  is given by*

$$\mathbb{C}[F] := \mathbb{C}[d_{ij}, \delta_{i5}, d_{55}, d_{ij}^*, \delta_{i5}^*, d_{55}^*] / (I_{\text{Gr}_1} + I_{\text{Gr}_2} + I_{\text{inc}})$$

*where  $I_{\text{inc}}$ , is the ideal generated by the 25 incidence relations*



## Super Segre embedding

It maps the product of two projective spaces into one super projective space.

$$\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbb{C}) \times \mathbf{P}^d(\mathbb{C}) \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathbf{P}^N(\mathbb{C})$$

$$([x_0, \dots, x_n], [y_0, \dots, y_d]) \longmapsto [x_0y_0, x_0y_1, \dots, x_iy_j, \dots, x_ny_d]$$

with  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, d$  and  $N = (n+1)(d+1) - 1$ .

Let  $z_{ij}$  be the homogeneous coordinates of  $\mathbf{P}^N(\mathbb{C})$ . As for the Plücker embedding, one can show that the image is an algebraic projective variety given as the zero locus of the  $2 \times 2$  minors of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_{00} & z_{02} & \cdots & z_{0d} \\ z_{20} & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ z_{n0} & \cdots & & z_{nd} \end{pmatrix}$$

The line bundle is given by the character  $d_{12}d_{12}^*$ .

## Super Segre embedding

The Segre embedding can be generalized to the super case. Composing with it, we will embed  $F$  into  $\mathbf{P}^{M|N}$ , where  $M|N = 64|56$ . Explicitly, we get:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{P}(E)(A) \times \mathbf{P}(E^*)(A) & \xrightarrow{\Psi} & \mathbf{P}^{M|N}(A) \\ ([z_{ij}, z_{55} \mid \zeta_{i5}], [z_{ij}^*, z_{55}^* \mid \zeta_{i5}^*]) & \longrightarrow & [z_{ij}z_{kl}^*, z_{55}z_{55}^*, z_{ij}z_{55}^*, z_{55}z_{kl}^*, \zeta_{i5}\zeta_{k5}^* \mid \\ & & z_{ij}\zeta_{k5}^*, z_{55}\zeta_{k5}^*, \zeta_{i5}z_{kl}^*, \zeta_{i5}z_{55}^*]. \end{array}$$

Let us denote  $I, K = (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 4)$ : Then, we can organize the coordinates on  $\mathbb{C}^{M+1|N}$  in matrix form:

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} z_I z_K^* & z_{55} z_K^* & z_I \zeta_k^* \\ z_I z_{55}^* & z_{55} z_{55}^* & z_{55} \zeta_k^* \\ \hline \zeta_{i5} z_K^* & \zeta_{i5} z_{55}^* & \zeta_{i5} \zeta_{k5}^* \end{array} \right).$$

# Super Segre embedding

The image of this map is a projective algebraic variety in the generators

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|c} Z_{IK} & Z_{5K} & \Lambda_{Ik} \\ Z_{I5} & Z_{55} & \Lambda_{5k} \\ \hline \Gamma_{iK} & \Gamma_{i5} & T_{ik} \end{array} \right),$$

satisfying homogeneous polynomial relations

## The classical section

As in the non super case, the global sections of the superline bundle on  $G/P$  can be thought as elements of  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  with an the equivariance condition. Since  $\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{C}$  we identify  $\mathcal{O}(G) \otimes \mathbb{V} \cong \mathcal{O}(G)$ . If  $I(P)$  is an ideal in  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  defining  $P$  we have  $\pi : \mathcal{O}(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(P) = \mathcal{O}(G)/I(P)$ .

Let  $\Delta : \mathcal{O}(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(G) \otimes \mathcal{O}(G)$  be the coproduct in  $\mathcal{O}(G)$ . Then the equivariant condition becomes

$$\mathcal{O}(G/P)_1 = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{O}(G) \mid (\mathbb{1} \otimes \pi)\Delta(f) = f \otimes S(\chi) \right\}.$$

( $S$  is the antipode).



## The classical section

Let  $t \in \mathcal{O}(G)$  such that  $\pi(t) = S(\chi)$ . If  $\mathcal{L}$  is very ample –it corresponds to a projective embedding– we have the following important result (Fioresi'15).

**Proposition.** Let the supervariety  $G/P$  be embedded into some projective superspace via the line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  defined by  $\chi$ . Let  $\Delta$  be the coproduct in  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  and  $\pi : \mathcal{O}(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(P) = \mathcal{O}(G)/I(P)$ . Then, there exists an element  $t \in \mathcal{O}(G)$ , with  $\pi(t) = S(\chi)$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} ((\mathbb{1} \otimes \pi) \circ \Delta)(t) &= t \otimes \pi(t), \quad \pi(t^m) \neq \pi(t^n) \quad \forall m \neq n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ \mathcal{O}(G/P)_n &= \left\{ f \in \mathcal{O}(G) \mid (\mathbb{1} \otimes \pi)\Delta(f) = f \otimes \pi(t^n) \right\}, \\ \mathcal{O}(G/P) &= \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{O}(G)_n, \end{aligned}$$

and  $\mathcal{O}(G/P)$  is generated in degree 1, namely by  $\mathcal{O}(G/P)_1$ . ■

## The classical section

We call  $t$  the *classical section* associated to the super line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$ .

The following are the relevant examples:

1. For  $\text{Gr}_1$ ,  $t = d_{12} \in \mathcal{O}(\text{SL}(4|1))$ .
2. For  $\text{Gr}_2$ ,  $t = d_{12}^* \in \mathcal{O}(\text{SL}(4|1))$ .
3. For  $F$  (super Segre embedding),  $t = d_{12}d_{12}^* \in \mathcal{O}(\text{SL}(4|1))$ .

We have then achieved a description of the coordinate ring of the projective embedding of  $F$  in  $\mathbf{P}^{64|56}$  as a (graded) subring of  $\mathcal{O}(\text{SL}(4|1))$ .

## Quantum version

We have managed to give a presentation of the ring of the flag manifold in terms of generators  $(d_{ij}, d_{ij}^*)$  and relations (super Plücker and incidence relations).

Now we want to replace  $SL(4|1)$  by the quantum group  $SL_q(4|1)$ .  
(Manin relations)

$$M_q(m|n) =_{\text{def}} \mathbb{C}_q\langle a_{ij} \rangle / I_M, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $\mathbb{C}_q\langle a_{ij} \rangle$  denotes the free algebra over  $\mathbb{C}_q = \mathbb{C}[q, q^{-1}]$  generated by the homogeneous variables  $a_{ij}$  and the ideal  $I_M$  is generated by the Manin relations:

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$$a_{ij}a_{il} = (-1)^{\pi(a_{ij})\pi(a_{il})} q^{(-1)^{\rho(i)+1}} a_{il}a_{ij}, \quad j < l$$

$$a_{ij}a_{kj} = (-1)^{\pi(a_{ij})\pi(a_{kj})} q^{(-1)^{\rho(j)+1}} a_{kj}a_{ij}, \quad i < k$$

$$a_{ij}a_{kl} = (-1)^{\pi(a_{ij})\pi(a_{kl})} a_{kl}a_{ij}, \quad i < k, j > l \quad \text{or} \quad i > k, j < l$$

$$a_{ij}a_{kl} - (-1)^{\pi(a_{ij})\pi(a_{kl})} a_{kl}a_{ij} = \eta(q^{-1} - q)a_{kj}a_{il} \quad i < k, j < l$$

where

$$i, j, k, l = 1, \dots, m+n, \quad \eta = (-1)^{\rho(k)\rho(l)+\rho(j)\rho(l)+\rho(k)\rho(j)},$$

$$\rho(i) = 0 \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq m, \quad \rho(i) = 1 \text{ if } m+1 \leq i \leq n+m \quad \text{and}$$

$$\pi(a_{ij}) = \rho(i) + \rho(j).$$

(Manin relations)

## Quantum version

The determinants  $d_{ij}$  become quantum determinants  $D_{qij}$  and one can manage (difficult! It involves long calculations) to show that they generate, inside the quantum supergroup, a subalgebra that is a non commutative version (deformation) of the algebra of  $\text{Gr}_1$  and  $\text{Gr}_2$ . So we can safely define a quantum Grassmannians  $\text{Gr}_{1q}$ ,  $\text{Gr}_{2q}$ .

It is very difficult ( $\sim$  impossible) to compute CR among  $D_{qij}$  and  $D_{qij}^*$ . Also the incidence relations involve both types of coordinates. The strategy will be to give a *quantum super line bundle* realizing a quantum super Segre embedding with character  $D_{q12}D_{q12}^*$ .

The quantum projective supervariety so obtained is a deformation of  $F(2|0, 2|1, 4|1)$ : the quantum superflag  $F_q(2|0, 2|1, 4|1)$ . We can call it the *quantum super conformal space*.

## Quantum version

**Definition** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the super line bundle on  $G/P$  given by the classical section  $t$ . A *quantum section* or *quantization* of  $t$  is an element  $d \in \mathcal{O}_q(G)$  such that

1.  $(\mathbb{1} \otimes \pi)\Delta(d) = d \otimes \pi(d)$ .
2.  $t = d \pmod{(q-1)\mathcal{O}_q(G)}$

**Definition.** Let  $d$  be a quantum section of  $\mathcal{L}$ . We define

$$\mathcal{O}_q(G/P) := \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{O}_q(G/P)_n, \quad \text{where}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_q(G/P)_n := \{ f \in \mathcal{O}_q(G) \mid (\mathbb{1} \otimes \pi)\Delta(f) = f \otimes \pi(d^n) \}.$$

We say that  $\mathcal{O}_q(G/P)$  is a *quantum projective supervariety*. It is an homogeneous space under the coaction of  $\mathcal{O}_q(G)$

## Quantum version

**Proposition** The element  $d = D_{12}D_{12}^* \in \mathrm{SL}_q(4|1)$  is a quantum section, with respect to the super line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $\mathrm{SL}(4|1)/P_u$  given by  $t = d_{12}d_{12}^*$ . ■

**Corollary.** The  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded subalgebra

$$C_q := \mathcal{O}_q(G/P) \subset \mathrm{SL}_q(4|1), \quad G = \mathrm{SL}(4|1), P = P_u$$

defined by the quantum section  $d = D_{12}D_{12}^*$  is a quantum deformation of the graded subalgebra of  $\mathrm{SL}_q(4|1)$  obtained via the classical section  $t = d_{12}d_{12}^*$ .

Furthermore,  $C_q$  has a natural coaction of the supergroup  $\mathrm{SL}_q(4|1)$ . Therefore it is a quantum homogeneous superspace. ■