# Spectra of Quantum Algebras

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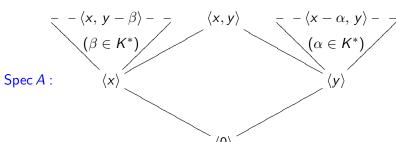
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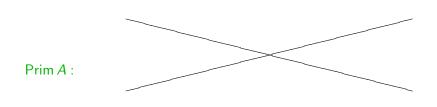
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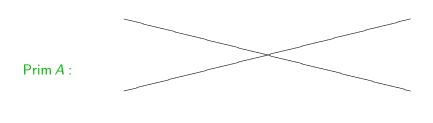
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E.G. 
$$A = \mathcal{O}_q(K^2), q \neq \sqrt[4]{1}$$
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Thm. [Letzter-KG, 2000]  $A = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{q}}(K^n)$ . Assume  $-1 \notin \langle q_{ij} \rangle$  or char K = 2. Then Prim A is a topological quotient of  $K^n$  and Spec A is a (compatible) topological quotient of Spec  $\mathcal{O}(K^n)$ .

These statements hold more generally for cocycle twists of commutative affine algebras graded by torsionfree abelian groups, and hence for quantum toric varieties.

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Additionally, there is a "product rule":

$${a, xy} = {a, x}y + x{a, y} \quad \forall \ a, x, y \in \mathcal{A}/(t-1)\mathcal{A}.$$

 $\{-,-\}$  is a "Poisson bracket".



<u>E.G.</u> The Poisson bracket on  $\mathcal{O}(SL_2(K))$  = semiclassical limit of the  $\mathcal{O}_q(SL_2(K))$ :

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The Poisson-prime and Poisson-primitive spectra of R are

 $\mathsf{Pspec}\,R := \{ \; \mathsf{Poisson\text{-}prime ideals of} \; R \; \}$ 

Pprim  $R := \{ \text{ Poisson-primitive ideals of } R \} \subseteq \text{Pspec } R$ ,

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#### Known cases:

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- Quantum symplectic and euclidean spaces [Oh, 2008; Oh-Park, 2002, 2010]
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### Catenarity in Pspec R:

- Poisson nilpotent algebras [Launois-KG, 2021]
- E.g., semiclassical limits of above A.



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 $\exists$  corresponding partition  $\operatorname{Prim} A = \coprod_{J \in H\text{-Spec }A} \operatorname{Prim}_J A$  and each  $\operatorname{Prim}_J A \approx \max Z_J$ .

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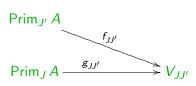
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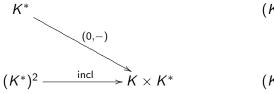
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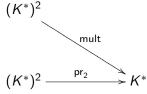
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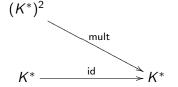
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# E.G. Types of auxiliary data for $Prim \mathcal{O}_q(GL_2(K))$ :







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