

Gelfand-Tsetlin algebras and cohomology rings of Laumon spaces

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Abstract. Laumon moduli spaces are certain smooth closures of the moduli spaces of maps from the projective line to the flag variety of GL_n . We calculate the equivariant cohomology rings of the Laumon moduli spaces in terms of Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$, and formulate a conjectural answer for the small quantum cohomology rings in terms of certain commutative shift of argument subalgebras of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$.

1. Introduction

1.1. Cohomology of Laumon spaces

The moduli spaces $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ were introduced by G. Laumon in [13] and [14]. They are certain compactifications of the moduli spaces of degree \underline{d} maps from \mathbb{P}^1 to the flag variety \mathcal{B}_n of GL_n . The original motivation of G. Laumon was to study the geometric Eisenstein series, but later the Laumon moduli spaces proved useful also in the computation of quantum cohomology and K -theory of \mathcal{B}_n , see e.g. [10], [2]. The aim of the present note is to calculate the cohomology rings of the Laumon moduli spaces, and to formulate a conjectural answer for the quantum cohomology rings.

The main tool is the action of the universal enveloping algebra $U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$ by correspondences [7] on the direct sum (over all degrees) of cohomology of $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$. More precisely, we consider the localized equivariant cohomology $B := \bigoplus_{\underline{d}} H_{GL_n \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{H_{GL_n \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{GL_n \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$ where \mathbb{C}^* acts as “loop rotations” on the source \mathbb{P}^1 , while GL_n acts naturally on the target \mathcal{B}_n . We also consider a “local version” $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ of the Laumon moduli space, which is a certain closure of the moduli space of *based* maps of degree \underline{d} from \mathbb{P}^1 to \mathcal{B}_n . This local version does not carry the action of the whole group $GL_n \times \mathbb{C}^*$, but only of the Cartan torus $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$. Accordingly, we consider the equivariant

cohomology (resp. localized equivariant cohomology) $'V = \bigoplus_{\underline{d}} H_{\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ (resp. $V = \bigoplus_{\underline{d}} H_{\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{H_{\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$).

According to [1] (cf. also [19] and our Theorem 2.7), the above action of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$ identifies V with the universal Verma module \mathfrak{V} . Similarly, B carries the action of *two copies* of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$ by correspondences, and can be identified with the tensor square \mathfrak{B} of \mathfrak{V} (Theorem 5.8). The nonlocalized cohomology $'V$ is identified with a certain integral form $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}$ of \mathfrak{V} , a version of the universal *dual* Verma module (Theorem 3.5). We were unable to describe the *nonlocalized* equivariant cohomology of $\bigsqcup_{\underline{d}} \Omega_{\underline{d}}$ as a $U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)^2$ -module, but we propose a conjecture 5.14 in this direction; it is an equivariant generalization of Conjecture 6.4 of [7].

1.2. Gelfand-Tsetlin algebra

The description of the cohomology rings is given in representation theoretic terms. Namely, the universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{gl}_n contains the *Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra* $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ (a maximal commutative subalgebra). For a given degree \underline{d} , the equivariant cohomology $'V_{\underline{d}}$ is identified with the weight subspace $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}_{\underline{d}}$. The identity element $1_{\underline{d}}$ of the cohomology ring goes to the weight component $\mathfrak{v}_{\underline{d}}$ of the Whittaker vector $\mathfrak{v} \in \underline{\mathfrak{V}}$. It turns out that the vector $1_{\underline{d}} \in 'V$ is cyclic for $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$; hence the equivariant cohomology ring $H_{\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ is identified with a quotient of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra (Corollary 3.7). Similar results hold for the localized equivariant cohomology of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ and $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ (Propositions 2.17 and 5.12).

The proof uses two ingredients. First, the localized equivariant cohomology has a natural basis of classes of the torus fixed points. We check that under the identification $V \simeq \mathfrak{V}$, this basis goes to the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis of \mathfrak{V} . Also, the cohomology of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ contain the (Künneth components of the) Chern classes of the universal tautological vector bundles on $\Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \mathbb{P}^1$. The operators of multiplication by these Chern classes are diagonal in the fixed point basis, and by comparison to the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis it is possible to identify these operators with the action of certain generators of $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$. Finally, since the diagonal class of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ is decomposable, the above Chern classes generate the cohomology ring of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$.

In a similar vein, in Proposition 6.7 we compute the localized equivariant K -ring of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ in terms of the “quantum Gelfand-Tsetlin algebra”.

1.3. Quantum cohomology of Laumon spaces

The Picard group of the local Laumon space $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ is free of rank $n - 2$ iff all the entries of \underline{d} are nonzero. It possesses the set of distinguished generators: the classes of determinant line bundles $\mathcal{D}_2, \dots, \mathcal{D}_{n-1}$. Let \mathbb{T} be a torus with the cocharacter lattice $\text{Pic}(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$, and let q_i , $2 \leq i \leq n - 1$, be the coordinates on \mathbb{T} corresponding to \mathcal{D}_i . We conjecture a formula for the operator $M_{\mathcal{D}_i}$ of *quantum* multiplication by the first Chern class $c_1(\mathcal{D}_i)$. *A priori* this operator lies in $\text{End}(V_{\underline{d}})[[q_2, \dots, q_{n-1}]]$, but according to Conjecture 4.6, it is the Taylor expansion of a rational $\text{End}(V_{\underline{d}})$ -valued function on \mathbb{T} . Moreover, this function

arises from the action of a *universal* element $QC_i \in U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$ (depending on q_2, \dots, q_{n-1}) on the weight space $V_{\underline{d}}$ of the universal Verma module. The commutant of the collection of all such elements $\{QC_i(q_2, \dots, q_{n-1})\}$ is a *shift of argument subalgebra* $\mathcal{A}_q \subset U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$ (a maximal commutative subalgebra, see [21]).

We consider the flat $\text{End}(V_{\underline{d}})$ -valued connection on $\mathbb{T} : \nabla = \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} q_i \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} + QC_i$ (the *quantum connection*). Conjecture 4.6 (recently proved by A. Negut) implies that ∇ is induced by the *Casimir connection* [4, 6, 24, 16] on the Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{sl}_n$ under an embedding $\mathbb{T} \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{h}$. In particular, ∇ has regular singularities, and its monodromy factors through the action of the pure braid group PB_n (fundamental group of the complement in \mathfrak{h} to the root hyperplanes) on the weight space $V_{\underline{d}}$ by the “quantum Weyl group operators”.

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2. Local Laumon spaces

2.1. Laumon spaces

We recall the setup of [7], [2]. Let \mathbf{C} be a smooth projective curve of genus zero. We fix a coordinate z on \mathbf{C} , and consider the action of \mathbb{C}^* on \mathbf{C} such that $v(z) = v^{-2}z$. We have $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbb{C}^*} = \{0, \infty\}$.

We consider an n -dimensional vector space W with a basis w_1, \dots, w_n . This defines a Cartan torus $T \subset G = GL_n \subset \text{Aut}(W)$. We also consider its 2^n -fold cover, the bigger torus \tilde{T} , acting on W as follows: for $\tilde{T} \ni \underline{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$ we have $\underline{t}(w_i) = t_i^2 w_i$. We denote by \mathcal{B} the flag variety of G .

Given an $(n-1)$ -tuple of nonnegative integers $\underline{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_{n-1})$, we consider the Laumon's quasiflags' space $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$, see [14], 4.2. It is the moduli space of flags of locally free subsheaves

$$0 \subset \mathcal{W}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{n-1} \subset \mathcal{W} = W \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}$$

such that $\text{rank}(\mathcal{W}_k) = k$, and $\text{deg}(\mathcal{W}_k) = -dk$.

It is known to be a smooth projective variety of dimension $2d_1 + \dots + 2d_{n-1} + \dim \mathcal{B}$, see [13], 2.10.

We consider the following locally closed subvariety $\underline{\Omega}_{\underline{d}} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}}$ (quasiflags based at $\infty \in \mathbf{C}$) formed by the flags

$$0 \subset \mathcal{W}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{n-1} \subset \mathcal{W} = W \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}$$

such that $\mathcal{W}_i \subset \mathcal{W}$ is a vector subbundle in a neighbourhood of $\infty \in \mathbf{C}$, and the fiber of \mathcal{W}_i at ∞ equals the span $\langle w_1, \dots, w_i \rangle \subset W$.

It is known to be a smooth quasiprojective variety of dimension $2d_1 + \dots + 2d_{n-1}$.

2.2. Fixed points

The group $G \times \mathbb{C}^*$ acts naturally on $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$, and the group $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ acts naturally on $\underline{\Omega}_{\underline{d}}$. The set of fixed points of $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ on $\underline{\Omega}_{\underline{d}}$ is finite; we recall its description from [7], 2.11.

Let $\tilde{\underline{d}}$ be a collection of nonnegative integers (d_{ij}) , $i \geq j$, such that $d_i = \sum_{j=1}^i d_{ij}$, and for $i \geq k \geq j$ we have $d_{kj} \geq d_{ij}$. Abusing notation we denote by $\tilde{\underline{d}}$ the corresponding $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ -fixed point in $\underline{\Omega}_{\underline{d}}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_1 &= \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}(-d_{11} \cdot 0)w_1, \\ \mathcal{W}_2 &= \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}(-d_{21} \cdot 0)w_1 \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}(-d_{22} \cdot 0)w_2, \\ &\dots \dots \dots, \\ \mathcal{W}_{n-1} &= \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}(-d_{n-1,1} \cdot 0)w_1 \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}(-d_{n-1,2} \cdot 0)w_2 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{C}}(-d_{n-1,n-1} \cdot 0)w_{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

2.3. Correspondences

For $i \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$, and $\underline{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_{n-1})$, we set $\underline{d} + i := (d_1, \dots, d_i + 1, \dots, d_{n-1})$. We have a correspondence $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, i} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \Omega_{\underline{d}+i}$ formed by the pairs $(\mathcal{W}_{\bullet}, \mathcal{W}'_{\bullet})$ such that for $j \neq i$ we have $\mathcal{W}_j = \mathcal{W}'_j$, and $\mathcal{W}'_i \subset \mathcal{W}_i$, see [7], 3.1. In other words, $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, i}$ is the moduli space of flags of locally free sheaves

$$0 \subset \mathcal{W}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{i-1} \subset \mathcal{W}'_i \subset \mathcal{W}_i \subset \mathcal{W}_{i+1} \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{n-1} \subset \mathcal{W}$$

such that $\text{rank}(\mathcal{W}_k) = k$, and $\text{deg}(\mathcal{W}_k) = -d_k$, while $\text{rank}(\mathcal{W}'_i) = i$, and $\text{deg}(\mathcal{W}'_i) = -d_i - 1$.

According to [13], 2.10, $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}$ is a smooth projective algebraic variety of dimension $2d_1 + \dots + 2d_{n-1} + \dim \mathcal{B} + 1$.

We denote by \mathbf{p} (resp. \mathbf{q}) the natural projection $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i}$). We also have a map $\mathbf{r} : \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$,

$$(0 \subset \mathcal{W}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{i-1} \subset \mathcal{W}'_i \subset \mathcal{W}_i \subset \mathcal{W}_{i+1} \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{n-1} \subset \mathcal{W}) \mapsto \text{supp}(\mathcal{W}_i/\mathcal{W}'_i).$$

The correspondence $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}$ comes equipped with a natural line bundle \mathcal{L}_i whose fiber at a point

$$(0 \subset \mathcal{W}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{i-1} \subset \mathcal{W}'_i \subset \mathcal{W}_i \subset \mathcal{W}_{i+1} \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{n-1} \subset \mathcal{W})$$

equals $\Gamma(\mathbf{C}, \mathcal{W}_i/\mathcal{W}'_i)$.

Finally, we have a transposed correspondence ${}^{\top}\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i} \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i} \times \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$.

Restricting to $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ we obtain the correspondence $\mathbf{e}_{\underline{d},i} \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \times \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i}$ together with line bundle \mathcal{L}_i and the natural maps $\mathbf{p} : \mathbf{e}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$, $\mathbf{q} : \mathbf{e}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i}$, $\mathbf{r} : \mathbf{e}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \mathbf{C} - \infty$. We also have a transposed correspondence ${}^{\top}\mathbf{e}_{\underline{d},i} \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i} \times \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$. It is a smooth quasiprojective variety of dimension $2d_1 + \dots + 2d_{n-1} + 1$.

2.4. Equivariant cohomology

We denote by $'V$ the direct sum of equivariant (complexified) cohomology: $'V = \oplus_{\underline{d}} H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$. It is a module over $H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{\bullet}(pt) = \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}] = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar]$. Here $\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}$ is the Lie algebra of $\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*$. We define \hbar as twice the positive generator of $H_{\mathbb{C}^*}^2(pt, \mathbb{Z})$. Similarly, we define $x_i \in H_{\widetilde{T}}^2(pt, \mathbb{Z})$ in terms of the corresponding one-parametric subgroup. We define $V = 'V \otimes_{H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{\bullet}(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{\bullet}(pt))$.

We have an evident grading $V = \oplus_{\underline{d}} V_{\underline{d}}$, $V_{\underline{d}} = H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{\bullet}(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{\bullet}(pt))$.

2.5. Universal Verma module

We denote by \mathfrak{U} the universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{gl}_n over the field $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$. For $1 \leq j, k \leq n$ we denote by $E_{jk} \in \mathfrak{gl}_n \subset \mathfrak{U}$ the usual elementary matrix. The standard Chevalley generators are expressed as follows:

$$\mathbf{e}_i := E_{i+1,i}, \quad \mathbf{f}_i := E_{i,i+1}, \quad \mathbf{h}_i := E_{i+1,i+1} - E_{ii}$$

(note that \mathbf{e}_i is represented by a *lower* triangular matrix). Note also that \mathfrak{U} is generated by E_{ii} , $1 \leq i \leq n$, $E_{i,i+1}$, $E_{i+1,i}$, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. We denote by $\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}$ the subalgebra of \mathfrak{U} generated by E_{ii} , $1 \leq i \leq n$, $E_{i,i+1}$, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. It acts on the field $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ as follows: $E_{i,i+1}$ acts trivially for any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and E_{ii} acts by multiplication by $\hbar^{-1}x_i + i - 1$. We define the *universal Verma module* \mathfrak{V} over \mathfrak{U} as $\mathfrak{U} \otimes_{\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$. The universal Verma module \mathfrak{V} is an irreducible \mathfrak{U} -module.

2.6. The action of generators

The grading and the correspondences ${}^T\mathfrak{E}_{\underline{d},i}, \mathfrak{E}_{\underline{d},i}$ give rise to the following operators on V (note that though \mathbf{p} is not proper, \mathbf{p}_* is well defined on the localized equivariant cohomology due to the finiteness of the fixed point sets and smoothness of $\mathfrak{E}_{\underline{d},i}$):

$$\begin{aligned} E_{ii} &= \hbar^{-1}x_i + d_{i-1} - d_i + i - 1 : V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow V_{\underline{d}}; \\ \mathfrak{h}_i &= \hbar^{-1}(x_{i+1} - x_i) + 2d_i - d_{i-1} - d_{i+1} + 1 : V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow V_{\underline{d}}; \\ \mathfrak{f}_i &= E_{i,i+1} = \mathbf{p}_*\mathbf{q}^* : V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow V_{\underline{d}-i}; \\ \mathfrak{e}_i &= E_{i+1,i} = -\mathbf{q}_*\mathbf{p}^* : V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow V_{\underline{d}+i}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.7. *The operators $\mathfrak{e}_i = E_{i+1,i}, E_{ii}, \mathfrak{f}_i = E_{i,i+1}$ on V defined in 2.6 satisfy the relations in \mathfrak{A} , i.e. they give rise to the action of \mathfrak{A} on V . There is a unique isomorphism Ψ of \mathfrak{A} -modules V and \mathfrak{B} carrying $1 \in H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^0(\Omega_0) \subset V$ to the lowest weight vector $1 \in \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}) \subset \mathfrak{B}$.*

The proof is entirely similar to the proof of Theorem 2.12 of [2]; cf. also [19]. \square

2.8. Fixed point basis

According to the Localization theorem in equivariant cohomology (see e.g. [3]), restriction to the $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ -fixed point set induces an isomorphism

$$H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)) \rightarrow H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}}^{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}) \otimes_{H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$$

The fundamental cycles $[\tilde{d}]$ of the $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ -fixed points \tilde{d} (see 2.2) form a basis in $\oplus_{\underline{d}} H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}}^{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}) \otimes_{H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$. The embedding of a point \tilde{d} into $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ is a proper morphism, so the direct image in the equivariant cohomology is well defined, and we will denote by $[\tilde{d}] \in V_{\underline{d}}$ the direct image of the fundamental cycle of the point \tilde{d} . The set $\{[\tilde{d}]\}$ forms a basis of V .

The matrix coefficients of the operators $\mathfrak{e}_i, \mathfrak{f}_i$ in the basis $\{[\tilde{d}]\}$ were computed in [2]; cf. also [19] 8.2. The result is:

Proposition 2.9. *The matrix coefficients of the operators $\mathfrak{e}_i, \mathfrak{f}_i$ in the basis $\{[\tilde{d}]\}$ are as follows:*

$$\mathfrak{e}_{i, [\tilde{d}, \tilde{d}']} = -\hbar^{-1} \prod_{j \neq k \leq i} (x_j - x_k + (d_{i,k} - d_{i,j})\hbar)^{-1} \prod_{k \leq i-1} (x_j - x_k + (d_{i-1,k} - d_{i,j})\hbar)$$

if $d'_{i,j} = d_{i,j} + 1$ for certain $j \leq i$;

$$\mathfrak{f}_{i, [\tilde{d}, \tilde{d}']} = \hbar^{-1} \prod_{j \neq k \leq i} (x_k - x_j + (d_{i,j} - d_{i,k})\hbar)^{-1} \prod_{k \leq i+1} (x_k - x_j + (d_{i,j} - d_{i+1,k})\hbar)$$

if $d'_{i,j} = d_{i,j} - 1$ for certain $j \leq i$;

All the other matrix coefficients of $\mathfrak{e}_i, \mathfrak{f}_i$ vanish.

The proof is entirely similar to that of Corollary 2.20 of [2].

2.10. Gelfand-Tsetlin basis of the universal Verma module

We will follow the notations of [17] on the Gelfand-Tsetlin bases in representations of \mathfrak{gl}_n . To a collection $\tilde{\underline{d}} = (d_{ij})$, $n-1 \geq i \geq j$ we associate a *Gelfand-Tsetlin pattern* $\Lambda = \Lambda(\tilde{\underline{d}}) := (\lambda_{ij})$, $n \geq i \geq j$ as follows: $\lambda_{nj} := \hbar^{-1}x_j + j - 1$, $n \geq j \geq 1$; $\lambda_{ij} := \hbar^{-1}x_j + j - 1 - d_{ij}$, $n-1 \geq i \geq j \geq 1$. Now we define $\mathfrak{V} \ni \xi_{\tilde{\underline{d}}} = \xi_{\Lambda} := (-\hbar)^{-|\underline{d}|} \Psi[\tilde{\underline{d}}]$. According to Proposition 2.9, the matrix coefficients of the operators $\mathfrak{e}_i, \mathfrak{f}_i$ in the basis $\{\xi_{\tilde{\underline{d}}}\}$ are as follows:

$$\mathfrak{e}_{i,\Lambda(\tilde{\underline{d}}),\Lambda(\tilde{\underline{d}'})} = \prod_{j \neq k \leq i} (x_j - x_k + (d_{i,k} - d_{i,j})\hbar)^{-1} \prod_{k \leq i-1} (x_j - x_k + (d_{i-1,k} - d_{i,j})\hbar)$$

if $d'_{i,j} = d_{i,j} + 1$ for certain $j \leq i$;

$$\mathfrak{f}_{i,\Lambda(\tilde{\underline{d}}),\Lambda(\tilde{\underline{d}'})} = -\hbar^{-2} \prod_{j \neq k \leq i} (x_k - x_j + (d_{i,j} - d_{i,k})\hbar)^{-1} \prod_{k \leq i+1} (x_k - x_j + (d_{i,j} - d_{i+1,k})\hbar)$$

if $d'_{i,j} = d_{i,j} - 1$ for certain $j \leq i$;

All the other matrix coefficients of $\mathfrak{e}_i, \mathfrak{f}_i$ vanish.

The above matrix coefficients, under appropriate specialization of x_1, \dots, x_n , coincide with the matrix coefficients of $\mathfrak{e}_i, \mathfrak{f}_i$ in the *Gelfand-Tsetlin* basis of an irreducible finite dimensional \mathfrak{gl}_n -module, cf. formulas (2.7), (2.6) of Theorem 2.3 of [17]. For this reason we suggest to call the basis $\{\xi_{\tilde{\underline{d}}}\}$ (over all collections $\tilde{\underline{d}}$ of \mathfrak{V} the *Gelfand-Tsetlin basis*. Algebraically, $\xi_{\tilde{\underline{d}}} = \xi_{\Lambda} \in \mathfrak{V}$ can be defined by the formulas (2.9)–(2.11) of [17] (where $\xi = \xi_0 = 1 \in \mathfrak{V}$). Up to proportionality, the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis can also be defined as an eigenbasis of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra of \mathfrak{U} .

For a future reference, let us formulate once again the relation between the fixed point base of V and the Gelfand-Tsetlin base of \mathfrak{V} :

Theorem 2.11. *The isomorphism $\Psi : V \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{V}$ of Theorem 2.7 takes $[\tilde{\underline{d}}]$ to $(-\hbar)^{|\underline{d}|} \xi_{\tilde{\underline{d}}}$ where $|\underline{d}| = d_1 + \dots + d_{n-1}$.*

Remark 2.12. One can prove that the isomorphism $\Psi : V \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{V}$ of Theorem 2.7 takes $[\tilde{\underline{d}}]$ to $\xi_{\tilde{\underline{d}}}$ up to proportionality without explicitly computing the matrix coefficients. In effect, the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis is uniquely (up to proportionality) characterized by the property that the matrix coefficients of $\mathfrak{e}_k, \mathfrak{f}_k$ with respect to $\xi_{\Lambda}, \xi_{\Lambda'}$ vanish if $\lambda_{ij} \neq \lambda'_{ij}$ for some $i > k$. Now it is immediate to see that the matrix coefficients of $\mathfrak{e}_k, \mathfrak{f}_k$ with respect to $[\tilde{\underline{d}}], [\tilde{\underline{d}}']$ vanish if $d_{ij} \neq d'_{ij}$ for some $i > k$.

2.13. Determinant line bundles

We consider the line bundle \mathcal{D}_k on $\mathfrak{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ whose fiber at the point (\mathcal{W}_{\bullet}) equals $\det R\Gamma(\mathbf{C}, \mathcal{W}_k)$.

Lemma 2.14. \mathcal{D}_k is a $\widetilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ -equivariant line bundle, and the character of $\widetilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ acting in the fiber of \mathcal{D}_k at a point $\underline{d} = (d_{ij})$ equals $\sum_{j \leq k} (1 - d_{kj})x_j + \frac{d_{kj}(d_{kj}-1)}{2}\hbar$.

Proof. Straightforward. \square

Let $Cas_k = \sum_{i,j=1}^k E_{ij}E_{ji}$ be the quadratic Casimir element of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$ naturally embedded into $U(\mathfrak{gl}_n) \subset \mathfrak{U}$. The operator Cas_k is diagonal in the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis, and the eigenvalue of Cas_k on the basis vector $\xi_{\underline{d}} = \xi_{\Lambda}$ is $\sum_{j \leq k} \lambda_{kj}(\lambda_{kj} + k - 2j + 1)$. We define the following element of \mathfrak{U} :

$$\widetilde{Cas}_k := Cas_k + (2 - k) \sum_{j=1}^k E_{jj} - \sum_{j=1}^k \hbar^{-1} x_j (\hbar^{-1} x_j - 1) + \frac{k(k-1)(k-2)}{3}.$$

The eigenvalue of this element on the basis vector $\xi_{\underline{d}}$ is $\sum_{j \leq k} 2(1 - d_{kj})x_j \hbar^{-1} + d_{kj}(d_{kj} - 1)$.

Corollary 2.15. a) The operator of multiplication by the first Chern class $c_1(\mathcal{D}_k)$ in V is diagonal in the basis $\{\underline{d}\}$, and the eigenvalue corresponding to $\underline{d} = (d_{ij})$ equals $\sum_{j \leq k} (1 - d_{kj})x_j + \frac{d_{kj}(d_{kj}-1)}{2}\hbar$.

b) The set $\{c_1(\mathcal{D}_k) : k \geq 2, d_k \neq 0 \neq d_{k-1}\}$ forms a basis in the nonequivariant cohomology $H^2(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$.

c) The isomorphism $\Psi : V \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{Y}$ carries the operator of multiplication by $c_1(\mathcal{D}_k)$ to the operator $\frac{\hbar}{2} \widetilde{Cas}_k$.

Proof. a) follows from Lemma 2.14.

b) It follows e.g. from [7] that $\dim H^2(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) = \#\{k \geq 2, d_k \neq 0 \neq d_{k-1}\}$. Now it is easy to see from Lemma 2.14 that the classes $\{[\mathcal{D}_k] : k \geq 2, d_k \neq 0 \neq d_{k-1}\}$ in $\text{Pic}(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ are linearly independent, and hence the classes $\{c_1(\mathcal{D}_k) : k \geq 2, d_k \neq 0 \neq d_{k-1}\}$ are linearly independent in $H^2(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$.

c) Straightforward from a) and formula for eigenvalue of \widetilde{Cas}_k on ξ_{Λ} . \square

2.16. Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra and cohomology rings

It is known that a completion $\widehat{\mathfrak{V}}$ of the universal Verma module \mathfrak{V} contains a unique *Whittaker vector* $\mathbf{v} = \sum_{\underline{d}} \mathbf{v}_{\underline{d}}$ such that $\mathbf{v}_0 = 1$ (the lowest weight vector), and $\mathfrak{f}_i \mathbf{v} = \hbar^{-1} \mathbf{v}$ for any $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$. Let us denote by $1_{\underline{d}} \in H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^0(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \subset V_{\underline{d}}$ the unit element of the cohomology ring. Then $\Psi(1_{\underline{d}}) = \mathbf{v}_{\underline{d}}$. The proof is entirely similar to the proof of Proposition 2.31 of [2], and goes back to [1].

Recall that the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra $\mathfrak{G} \subset \text{End}(\mathfrak{V})$ is generated by the Harish-Chandra centers of the universal enveloping algebras $\mathfrak{gl}_1, \mathfrak{gl}_2, \dots, \mathfrak{gl}_n$ (embedded into \mathfrak{gl}_n as the upper left blocks) over the field $\mathbb{C}(t \oplus \mathbb{C})$. We denote by $\mathfrak{I}_{\underline{d}} \subset \mathfrak{G}$ the annihilator ideal of the vector $\mathbf{v}_{\underline{d}} \in \mathfrak{V}$,

and we denote by $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}$ the quotient algebra of \mathfrak{G} by $\mathfrak{J}_{\underline{d}}$. The action of \mathfrak{G} on $\mathfrak{v}_{\underline{d}}$ gives rise to an embedding $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}} \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{Y}_{\underline{d}}$.

Proposition 2.17. a) $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{Y}_{\underline{d}}$.

b) The composite morphism $\Psi : H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}) = V_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{Y}_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}$ is an algebra isomorphism.

c) The algebra $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ is generated by $\{c_1(\mathcal{D}_k) : k \geq 2, d_k \neq 0 \neq d_{k-1}\}$.

Proof. c) The algebra $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ consists of operators on the space $V_{\underline{d}}$ which are diagonal in the basis of fixed points $[\underline{d}]$. On the other hand, the operators $Cas_k \in \mathfrak{G}$, $k \geq 2$, are diagonal in the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis $\xi_{\underline{d}}$ and have different joint eigenvalues on different $\xi_{\underline{d}}$. Hence the images of Cas_k in $\text{End}(\mathfrak{Y}_{\underline{d}})$ generate the algebra of operators which are diagonal in the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis, and in particular, the images of Cas_k , $k \geq 2$, in $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}$ generate $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}$. By Theorem 2.11, the isomorphism $\Psi : V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow \mathfrak{Y}_{\underline{d}}$ carries $[\underline{d}]$ to $(-\hbar)^{|\underline{d}|} \xi_{\underline{d}}$. By Corollary 2.15, $c_1(\mathcal{D}_k)$ is $\Psi^{-1}(\frac{\hbar}{2} Cas_k)$ up to an additive constant. Hence the elements $c_1(\mathcal{D}_k) = \Psi^{-1}(\frac{\hbar}{2} Cas_k) + \text{const} \in H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ generate the algebra $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$.

a-b) Since $\Psi(1_{\underline{d}}) = \mathfrak{v}_{\underline{d}}$, the (surjective) homomorphism $\Psi^{-1} : \mathbb{C}[Cas_2, \dots, Cas_{n-1}] \rightarrow H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^{\bullet}(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ factors through $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}$. Hence (a) and (b). \square

3. Integral forms

3.1. Renormalized Universal Enveloping Algebra

We denote by $\underline{\mathfrak{U}} \subset \mathfrak{U}$ the $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]$ -subalgebra generated by the set $\{\underline{E}_{ij} := \hbar E_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq n; E'_{ij}, 1 \leq j < i \leq n; E'_{ii} := E_{ii} - \hbar^{-1} x_i, i = 1, \dots, n\}$. We denote by $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}_{\leq 0}$ the subalgebra of $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}$ generated by $\{E'_{ii}, 1 \leq i \leq n; \underline{E}_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$. It acts on the ring $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]$ as follows: \underline{E}_{ij} acts trivially for any $i < j$, and E'_{ii} acts by multiplication by $i - 1$. We define the integral form of the universal Verma module $\underline{\mathfrak{V}} \subset \mathfrak{V}$ over $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}$ as $\underline{\mathfrak{V}} := \underline{\mathfrak{U}} \otimes_{\underline{\mathfrak{U}}_{\leq 0}} \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]$. We define the integral form of the universal dual Verma module $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}^* \subset \mathfrak{V}^*$ as $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}^* := \{u \in \mathfrak{V} : (u, u') \in \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}] \text{ for any } u' \in \underline{\mathfrak{V}}\}$ (where (u, u') stands for the Shapovalov form). Clearly, $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}^*$ is a $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}$ -module.

Note that the Whittaker vector $\mathfrak{v} \in \widehat{\mathfrak{V}}$ lies inside the completion of $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}^*$, and is uniquely characterized by the properties a) $\mathfrak{f}_i \mathfrak{v} = \mathfrak{v}$ where $\mathfrak{f}_i := \underline{E}_{i, i+1}$; b) the highest weight component of \mathfrak{v} equals $1 \in \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]$.

Finally, we denote by $\underline{\mathfrak{G}} \subset \mathfrak{G}$ the integral form of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra, generated by the centers of the algebras $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}_1, \underline{\mathfrak{U}}_2, \dots, \underline{\mathfrak{U}}_n = \underline{\mathfrak{U}}$ constructed from the Lie algebras $\mathfrak{gl}_1, \mathfrak{gl}_2, \dots, \mathfrak{gl}_n$ (embedded into \mathfrak{gl}_n as the upper left blocks) the same way as $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}$ is constructed from \mathfrak{gl}_n . Recall that the Harish-Chandra isomorphism identifies the center of $\mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$ with the ring of symmetric polynomials in k variables. Namely, to any symmetric polynomial

P one assigns a central element $HC(P)$, whose PBW degree equals $\deg P$, acting on the Verma module with the highest weight $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$ as the scalar operator with the eigenvalue $P(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_i - i + 1, \dots, \lambda_k - k + 1)$. Clearly, the central element $\underline{HC}(P) := \hbar^{\deg P} HC(P)$ lies in $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$. Moreover, the difference $\underline{HC}(P) - P(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ is divisible by \hbar in $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$, hence $\hbar^{-1}(\underline{HC}(P) - P(x_1, \dots, x_k))$ also lies in the center of $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$.

We denote by $\underline{\mathfrak{I}}_d \subset \underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ the annihilator ideal of the vector $\mathbf{v}_d \in \underline{\mathfrak{V}}^*$, and we denote by $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}_d$ the quotient algebra of $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ by $\underline{\mathfrak{I}}$. The action of $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ on \mathbf{v}_d gives rise to an embedding $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}_d \hookrightarrow \underline{\mathfrak{V}}_d^*$.

Lemma 3.2. $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}_d \xrightarrow{\sim} \underline{\mathfrak{V}}_d^*$.

Proof. By graded Nakayama lemma, it suffices to prove the surjectivity of $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}_d/(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar = 0) \rightarrow \underline{\mathfrak{V}}_d^*/(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar = 0)$. We denote by $\mathfrak{g}_{>0} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n$ the Lie subalgebra spanned by the set $\{E_{ij}, 1 \leq j < i \leq n\}$. We denote by $\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n$ (resp. $\mathfrak{g}_{\leq 0} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n$, $\mathfrak{g}_{>0} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n$, $\mathfrak{g}_{<0} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n$) the Lie subalgebra spanned by the set $\{E_{ij}, 1 \leq j \leq i \leq n\}$ (resp. $\{E_{ij}, 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n\}$, $\{E_{ij}, 1 \leq j < i \leq n\}$, $\{E_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$). The Killing form identifies the vector space $\mathfrak{g}_{>0}$ with the dual of $\mathfrak{g}_{<0}$, and gives rise to an isomorphism $\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}_{<0}) \simeq \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}]$. The universal enveloping algebra of $\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0}$ over $\mathbb{C}[t]$ lies inside $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}$ and is denoted by $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}_{\geq 0}$. Evidently, $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}_{\geq 0} \simeq U(\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[t]$. We have $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}/(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar = 0) \simeq \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}] \rtimes U(\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0})$. Here the semidirect product is taken with respect to the adjoint action of $\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0}$ on $\mathfrak{g}_{>0}$ (and the induced action on the algebra of functions).

Let \mathbf{V} denote the space of distributions on $\mathfrak{g}_{>0}$ supported at the origin, that is cohomology with support of the structure sheaf $H_{\{0\}}^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}(\mathfrak{g}_{>0}, \mathcal{O})$. The algebra $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}] \rtimes U(\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0})$ acts on \mathbf{V} naturally. As a $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}]$ -module, \mathbf{V} is cofree, and its completion is naturally isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}]^*$. Clearly, $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}_d^*/(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar = 0)$ as a module over $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}/(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar = 0) \simeq \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}] \rtimes U(\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0})$ is isomorphic to \mathbf{V} . The value of the Whittaker vector $\mathbf{v}|_{\hbar=0}$ in the completion of \mathbf{V} is the functional $\chi : \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ which sends $P \in \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}]$ to $P(\mathfrak{f}) \in \mathbb{C}$, where $\mathfrak{f} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mathfrak{f}_i$ is the principal nilpotent element. The adjoint $G_{>0}$ -orbit of \mathfrak{f} is dense in $\mathfrak{g}_{>0}$, hence the submodule generated by the Whittaker vector is dense in the completion of \mathbf{V} . This means that each weight space of \mathbf{V} is generated by the component of the Whittaker vector.

Consider the Whittaker module W over $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}] \rtimes U(\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0})$, that is, induced from the character $\chi : \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{>0}] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. The module W is free with respect to $U(\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0})$, and hence has natural filtration coming from the PBW filtration on $U(\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0})$. The associated graded $\text{gr}W$ is naturally a $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0}] \otimes S(\mathfrak{g}_{>0}) = \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}]$ -module. It is easy to see that $\text{gr}W = \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{f} + \mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0}]$. The restriction of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra in $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}]$ to the affine subspace $\mathfrak{f} + \mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0}$ is known to be an isomorphism onto $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{f} + \mathfrak{g}_{\geq 0}]$ (see [12], [23]). Thus the module W is generated by the Whittaker vector as a $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}_d/(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar = 0)$ -module. Hence the $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}_d/(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar = 0)$ -submodule generated by the Whittaker vector \mathbf{v} is dense in the completion of \mathbf{V} . This means that each weight space of \mathbf{V}

is generated by the component of the Whittaker vector with respect to the action of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra. \square

3.3. Kuznetsov correspondences

We consider a correspondence $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},i} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \Omega_{\underline{d}+i}$ defined as $\mathbf{r}^{-1}\{0\}$. In other words, $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},i}$ is a closed subvariety of $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}$ where we impose a condition that the quotient flag is supported at $\{0\} \in \mathbf{C}$. It is a smooth quasiprojective variety of dimension $2d_1 + \dots + 2d_{n-1}$. We denote by $\underline{\mathbf{p}} : \underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \Omega_{\underline{d}}$, $\underline{\mathbf{q}} : \underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},i} \rightarrow \Omega_{\underline{d}+i}$ the natural projections. Note that both $\underline{\mathbf{p}}$ and $\underline{\mathbf{q}}$ are proper.

More generally, for $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ we denote by $\underline{d} \pm \alpha_{ij}$ the sequence $(d_1, \dots, d_{i-1}, d_i \pm 1, \dots, d_{j-1} \pm 1, d_j, \dots, d_{n-1})$. We have a correspondence ${}^\circ \underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \Omega_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}$ formed by the pairs $(\mathcal{W}_\bullet, \mathcal{W}'_\bullet)$ such that a) $\mathcal{W}'_k \subset \mathcal{W}_k$ for any $1 \leq k \leq n-1$; b) The quotient $\mathcal{W}_\bullet/\mathcal{W}'_\bullet$ is supported at $\{0\} \in \mathbf{C}$; c) For $i \leq k < j$ the natural map $\mathcal{W}_k/\mathcal{W}'_k \rightarrow \mathcal{W}_{k+1}/\mathcal{W}'_{k+1}$ is an isomorphism (of one-dimensional vector spaces). We define a correspondence $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \Omega_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}$ as the closure of ${}^\circ \underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}}$. According to Lemma 5.2.1 of [7], $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}}$ is irreducible of dimension $2d_1 + \dots + 2d_{n-1} + j - i - 1$. We denote by $\underline{\mathbf{p}}_{ij} : \underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \rightarrow \Omega_{\underline{d}}$, $\underline{\mathbf{q}}_{ij} : \underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \rightarrow \Omega_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}$ the natural projections. Note that both $\underline{\mathbf{p}}_{ij}$ and $\underline{\mathbf{q}}_{ij}$ are proper.

Also, we consider the correspondences $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \Omega_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}$ defined exactly as $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \Omega_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}$ in 3.3 but with condition b) removed (i.e. we allow the quotient flag to be supported at an arbitrary point of $\mathbf{C} - \infty$). In particular, $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{i,i+1}} = \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}$. We denote by $\mathbf{p}_{ij} : \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \rightarrow \Omega_{\underline{d}}$, $\mathbf{q}_{ij} : \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}} \rightarrow \Omega_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}$ the natural projections. Note that \mathbf{q}_{ij} is proper, while \mathbf{p}_{ij} is not.

3.4. The action of the renormalized Universal Enveloping Algebra

Recall that $'V = \bigoplus_{\underline{d}} 'V_{\underline{d}} := \bigoplus_{\underline{d}} H_{\overline{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$. The grading and the correspondences $\underline{\mathcal{E}}_{\underline{d},\alpha_{ij}}$ give rise to the following operators on $'V$:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{E}_{ii} &= x_i + (d_{i-1} - d_i + i - 1)\hbar : 'V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'V_{\underline{d}}; \\ \underline{h}_i &= (x_{i+1} - x_i) + (2d_i - d_{i-1} - d_{i+1} + 1)\hbar : 'V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'V_{\underline{d}}; \\ \underline{f}_i &= \underline{E}_{i,i+1} = \underline{\mathbf{p}}_* \underline{\mathbf{q}}^* : 'V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'V_{\underline{d}-i}; \\ \underline{e}_i &= \underline{E}_{i+1,i} = -\underline{\mathbf{q}}_* \underline{\mathbf{p}}^* : 'V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'V_{\underline{d}+i}; \\ \underline{E}_{ij} &= \underline{\mathbf{p}}_{ij*} \underline{\mathbf{q}}_{ij}^* : 'V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'V_{\underline{d}-\alpha_{ij}} \quad (1 \leq i < j \leq n); \\ \underline{E}_{ji} &= (-1)^{j-i} \underline{\mathbf{q}}_{ij*} \underline{\mathbf{p}}_{ij}^* : 'V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'V_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}} \quad (1 \leq i < j \leq n); \\ E_{ji} &= (-1)^{j-i} \mathbf{q}_{ij*} \mathbf{p}_{ij}^* : 'V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'V_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}} \quad (1 \leq i < j \leq n). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.5. *a) The operators $\{\underline{E}_{ij}, 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n; E_{ij}, 1 \leq j < i \leq n\}$ on $'V$ defined in 3.4 satisfy the relations in $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}$, i.e. they give rise to the action of $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}$ on $'V$.*

b) There is a unique isomorphism Φ of $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}$ -modules $'V$ and $\underline{\mathfrak{V}}^$ carrying $1 \in H_{\overline{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^0(\Omega_0) \subset 'V$ to the lowest weight vector $1 \in \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}] \subset \underline{\mathfrak{V}}^*$.*

Proof. a) We define the operators

$$E_{ij} = \mathbf{p}_{ij*} \mathbf{q}_{ij}^* : V_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow V_{\underline{d}-\alpha_{ij}} \quad (1 \leq i < j \leq n). \quad (1)$$

It is clear that $\mathfrak{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}} \simeq \mathfrak{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}} \times (\mathbf{C} - \infty)$. It follows that for any $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ we have $\underline{E}_{ij} = \hbar E_{ij}$. Furthermore, the operators $E_{i, i \pm 1}$ are exactly those defined in 2.6, and they satisfy the relations of \mathfrak{U} (and generate it) by Theorem 2.7. Finally, according to Proposition 5.6 of [7], the elements $E_{ij} \in \mathfrak{U}$, $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$ act in V by the same named operators of (1) and 3.4. This proves a).

b) We have $'V \subset V \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{Y} \supset \mathfrak{Y}^*$, so we have to check that $\Psi('V) = \mathfrak{Y}^*$, and then $\Phi = \Psi|_{'V}$. Recall that $\Psi(\mathbf{v}_{\underline{d}}) = 1 \in H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^0(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$. By the virtue of Lemma 3.2 it suffices to prove that $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ is generated by the action of the integral form $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra on the vector $1 \in H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^0(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$.

For any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ we will denote by $\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i$ the tautological i -dimensional vector bundle on $\Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \mathbf{C}$. By the Künneth formula we have $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \mathbf{C}) = H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes 1 \oplus H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes \tau$ where $\tau \in H_{\mathbf{C}^*}^2(\mathbf{C})$ is the first Chern class of $\mathcal{O}(1)$. Under this decomposition, for the Chern class $c_j(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$ we have $c_j(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i) =: c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i) \otimes 1 + c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i) \otimes \tau$ where $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i) \in H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{2j}(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$, and $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i) \in H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^{2j-2}(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$.

The following Lemma goes back to [5]¹:

Lemma 3.6. *The equivariant cohomology ring $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ is generated by the classes $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$, $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$ (over the algebra $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]$).*

Proof. By the graded Nakayama lemma, it suffices to prove that the nonequivariant cohomology ring $H^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ is generated by the Künneth components of the (nonequivariant) Chern classes $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$, $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$. The locally closed embedding $\Omega_{\underline{d}} \hookrightarrow \Omega_{\underline{d}}$ induces a surjection on the cohomology rings (see e.g. the computation of cohomology of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ in [7]), so it suffices to prove that the cohomology ring of the compact smooth variety $H^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ is generated by the Künneth components of the Chern classes of the tautological bundles. But this follows from Theorem 2.1 of [5], since the fundamental class of the diagonal in $\Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \Omega_{\underline{d}}$ can be expressed via the Chern classes of the tautological vector bundles (cf. [20], section 5). \square

Returning to the proof of the theorem, it suffices to check that the operators of multiplication by $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$, $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$, in the equivariant cohomology ring $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbf{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) = 'V_{\underline{d}}$ lie in the integral form $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra. To this end we compute these operators explicitly in the fixed point basis $\{\tilde{[\underline{d}]}\}$ (alias Gelfand-Tsetlin basis $\{\xi_{\underline{d}}\}$) of $V_{\underline{d}} = \mathfrak{Y}_{\underline{d}}$.

The set of eigenvalues of $\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}$ in the fiber of $\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i$ at a point $(\tilde{\underline{d}}, \infty)$ (resp. $(\tilde{\underline{d}}, 0)$) equals $\{-x_1, \dots, -x_i\}$ (resp. $\{-x_1 + d_{i,1}\hbar, \dots, -x_i + d_{i,i}\hbar\}$).

¹We have learnt of it from A. Marian.

For $1 \leq j \leq i$, let e_{ji}^∞ (resp. $e_{ji}^0(\tilde{\underline{d}})$) stand for the sum of products of the j -tuples of distinct elements of the set $\{-x_1, \dots, -x_i\}$ (resp. of the set $\{-x_1 + d_{i,1}\hbar, \dots, -x_i + d_{i,i}\hbar\}$). Then the operator of multiplication by the Chern class $c_j(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$ is diagonal in the basis $\{[\tilde{\underline{d}}, \infty], [\tilde{\underline{d}}, 0]\}$ with eigenvalues $\{e_{ji}^\infty, e_{ji}^0(\tilde{\underline{d}})\}$. It follows that the operator of multiplication by $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$ (resp. by $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$) is diagonal in the basis $\{[\tilde{\underline{d}}]\}$ with eigenvalues $\{\frac{1}{2}(e_{ji}^\infty + e_{ji}^0(\tilde{\underline{d}}))\}$ (resp. $\{\frac{\hbar^{-1}}{2}(e_{ji}^\infty - e_{ji}^0(\tilde{\underline{d}}))\}$). Note that $e_{ji}^\infty \in \mathbb{C}[\hbar \oplus \mathbb{C}]$, and $e_{ji}^0(\tilde{\underline{d}})$ is precisely the eigenvalue of the central element $\underline{HC}(e_{ji}) \in \underline{\mathfrak{u}}(\mathfrak{gl}_i)$ corresponding to the j -th elementary symmetric function e_j via the Harish-Chandra isomorphism, on the Verma module with highest weight $\{\lambda_{i,1}\hbar, \dots, \lambda_{i,i}\hbar\}$. Hence the operator of multiplication by $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$ (with eigenvalues $\{\frac{1}{2}(e_{ji}^\infty + e_{ji}^0(\tilde{\underline{d}}))\}$) lies in the integral form $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra. Moreover, $e_{ji}^\infty - \underline{HC}(e_{ji})$ is divisible by \hbar in $\underline{\mathfrak{u}}(\mathfrak{gl}_i)$. Hence the operator of multiplication by $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i)$ lies in $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}$ as well. \square

Corollary 3.7. *The composition of isomorphisms $\underline{\mathfrak{G}}_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \underline{\mathfrak{Y}}_{\underline{d}}^* \xleftarrow{\Phi^{-1}} H_{T \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ is an isomorphism of algebras.* \square

4. Speculation on equivariant quantum cohomology of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$

4.1. Calabi-Yau property of Laumon spaces

According to Theorem 3 of [10], the variety $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ is Calabi-Yau. For the reader's convenience we recall a proof. First note that if $\underline{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_{n-1})$, and $d_k = 0$, then $\Omega_{\underline{d}} = \Omega_{\underline{d}' } \times \Omega_{\underline{d}''}$ where $\underline{d}' = (d_1, \dots, d_{k-1})$, and $\Omega_{\underline{d}'}$ is the corresponding Laumon moduli space for GL_k , while $\underline{d}'' = (d_{k+1}, \dots, d_{n-1})$, and $\Omega_{\underline{d}''}$ is the corresponding Laumon moduli space for GL_{n-k} . Hence we may assume that all the integers d_1, \dots, d_{n-1} are strictly positive.

For $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, we consider the locally closed subvariety of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ formed by all the quasiflags which have a defect of degree exactly i . We denote by $\mathfrak{D}_i \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}}$ the closure of this subvariety. It is a divisor. We denote by $[\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_i)]$ the class of the corresponding line bundle in $\text{Pic}(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$.

Lemma 4.2. *Assume all the integers d_1, \dots, d_{n-1} are strictly positive. Then $[\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_1)] = [\mathfrak{D}_2], \dots, [\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_i)] = [\mathfrak{D}_{i+1}] - [\mathfrak{D}_i], \dots, [\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_{n-1})] = -[\mathfrak{D}_{n-1}]$.*

Proof. Recall the morphism $\pi_{\underline{d}} : \Omega_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow Z_{\underline{d}}$ to Drinfeld's Zastava space (a small resolution of singularities). For $1 \leq k \leq n-2$, choose a point $s \in Z_{\underline{d}}$ with defect of degree exactly $k + (k+1)$. We denote by P_k the preimage $\pi_{\underline{d}}^{-1}(s) \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}}$. By a GL_3 -calculation, P_k is a projective line. The fundamental classes $[P_1], \dots, [P_{n-2}]$ form a basis of $H_2(\Omega_{\underline{d}}, \mathbb{C})$. It is easy to see that the restriction $\mathcal{D}_i|_{P_k}$ is trivial if $i \neq k+1$, while $\mathcal{D}_{k+1}|_{P_k} \simeq \mathcal{O}(1)$ (this is again a GL_3 -calculation). Furthermore, it is easy to see that the restriction $\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_i)|_{P_k}$

is trivial for $i \neq k, k + 1$, while $\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_k)|_{P_k} \simeq \mathcal{O}(1)$, and $\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_{k+1})|_{P_k} \simeq \mathcal{O}(-1)$ (once again a GL_3 -calculation). The lemma is proved. \square

Let ${}^\circ\Omega_{\underline{d}} \subset \Omega_{\underline{d}}$ denote the open subspace formed by all the quasiflags without defect. Recall the symplectic form Ω on ${}^\circ\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ constructed in [9]. Note that the complement $\Omega_{\underline{d}} \setminus {}^\circ\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ equals the union of divisors $\bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n-1} \mathfrak{D}_i$. Thus the top power $\omega := \Omega^{top}$ is a meromorphic volume form on $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ with poles at $\bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n-1} \mathfrak{D}_i$. The formula for Ω given in Remark 3 of *loc. cit.* shows that the order of the pole of ω at \mathfrak{D}_i is 2 for any $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$. Hence the canonical class of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ in $\text{Pic}(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ equals $2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n-1} [\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_i)]$. By Lemma 4.2, the class $2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n-1} [\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{D}_i)] = 0$. We have proved

Corollary 4.3. (*Givental, Lee [10]*) *The canonical class of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ is trivial.*

4.4. Shift of argument subalgebras

To each regular element μ of the Cartan subalgebra \mathfrak{h} of a semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} one can assign a space Q_μ of commuting quadratic elements of the universal enveloping algebra $U(\mathfrak{g})$. Namely,

$$Q_\mu = \left\{ \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} \frac{\langle h, \alpha \rangle}{\langle \mu, \alpha \rangle} e_\alpha e_{-\alpha}, \mid h \in \mathfrak{h} \right\},$$

where Δ_+ is the set of positive roots, and $e_\alpha, e_{-\alpha}$ are nonzero elements of the root spaces such that $(e_\alpha, e_{-\alpha}) = 1$. Note that the space Q_μ does not change under dilations of μ , hence we have a family of spaces of commuting quadratic operators, parametrized by the regular part of $\mathbb{P}(\mathfrak{h})$.

These quadratic elements appear as the quasiclassical limit of the *Casimir* flat connection on the trivial bundle on the regular part of the Cartan subalgebra with the fiber $\mathfrak{A}_{\underline{d}}$, (cf. [4, 6, 24, 16]). This connection is given by the formula

$$\nabla = d + \kappa \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} e_\alpha e_{-\alpha} \frac{d\alpha}{\alpha},$$

where κ is a parameter. Since every element of $U(\mathfrak{g})$ of the form $e_\alpha e_{-\alpha}$ commutes with the Cartan subalgebra \mathfrak{h} , this connection remains flat after adding any closed $U(\mathfrak{h})$ -valued 1-form.

The centralizer in $U(\mathfrak{g})$ of this space of commuting quadratic operators is the so-called *shift of argument subalgebra* $\mathcal{A}_\mu \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$, which is a free commutative subalgebra with $\frac{1}{2}(\dim \mathfrak{g} + \text{rk } \mathfrak{g})$ generators. For $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_n$ the family of commutative subalgebras $\mathcal{A}_\mu \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$ is an $(n - 2)$ -parametric deformation of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra (see [21, 22]).

4.5. Conjecture on equivariant quantum cohomology

Consider the shift of argument subalgebra for $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n$, $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} q_{i+1} q_{i+2} \dots q_n \omega_i$ with ω_i being the fundamental weights of \mathfrak{gl}_n . Since the shift of argument algebra does not change under dilations of μ , we can

assume that $q_n = 1$. Taking $h_k = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} q_i q_{i+1} \dots q_n \omega_i$, we find that the space Q_μ is generated by the elements

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} \frac{\langle h_k, \alpha \rangle}{\langle \mu, \alpha \rangle} e_\alpha e_{-\alpha} &= \sum_{i < j \leq k} E_{ij} E_{ji} + \sum_{i < k < j} \frac{\sum_{l=i+1}^k q_l q_{l+1} \dots q_n}{\sum_{l=i+1}^j q_l q_{l+1} \dots q_n} E_{ij} E_{ji} = \\ &= \sum_{i < j \leq k} E_{ij} E_{ji} + \sum_{i < k < j} \frac{\sum_{l=i+1}^k q_l q_{l+1} \dots q_{j-1}}{1 + \sum_{l=i+1}^{j-1} q_l q_{l+1} \dots q_{j-1}} E_{ij} E_{ji}, \end{aligned}$$

with $k = 2, \dots, n - 1$.

We consider the equivariant (small) quantum cohomology ring of \mathfrak{Q}_d which depends on $n - 2$ quantum parameters q_2, \dots, q_{n-1} corresponding to the Chern classes of the determinant bundles. Note that $\sum_{i < j \leq k} E_{ij} E_{ji}$ is Cas_k up to some Cartan term. Hence the shift of argument subalgebra contains the following (commuting) elements

$$QC_k := \widetilde{Cas}_k + \sum_{i < k < j} \frac{\sum_{l=i+1}^k q_l q_{l+1} \dots q_{j-1}}{1 + \sum_{l=i+1}^{j-1} q_l q_{l+1} \dots q_{j-1}} E_{ij} E_{ji}.$$

Conjecture 4.6. ² *The isomorphism $\Psi : V_d \rightarrow \mathfrak{Y}_d$ carries the operator $M_{\mathcal{D}_k}$ of quantum multiplication by $c_1(D_k)$ to the operator $\frac{\hbar}{2} QC_k$.*

Corollary 4.7. *The localized equivariant quantum cohomology ring of \mathfrak{Q}_d is isomorphic to the quotient of the shift of argument subalgebra \mathcal{A}_μ by the annihilator of \mathfrak{v}_d .*

Let $\underline{\mathcal{A}}_\mu$ denote the integral form $\mathcal{A}_\mu \cap \underline{\mathfrak{u}}$.

Conjecture 4.8. *The equivariant quantum cohomology ring of \mathfrak{Q}_d is isomorphic to the quotient of $\underline{\mathcal{A}}_\mu$ by the annihilator of \mathfrak{v}_d .*

Remark 4.9. It is natural to expect 4.8 since the analogue of Lemma 3.2 is valid for $\underline{\mathcal{A}}_\mu$ as well (and the proof is the same).

The map $(q_2, \dots, q_{n-1}) \mapsto \mu = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} q_{i+1} q_{i+2} \dots q_{n-1} \omega_i$ embeds the torus $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{C}^{*(n-2)}$ with coordinates q_2, \dots, q_{n-1} into the Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h} = \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$ of \mathfrak{sl}_n as an open subset of an affine hyperplane. Restricting the Casimir

²It was recently proved by A. Negut.

connection to \mathbb{T} and adding an appropriate Cartan term, we obtain the following flat connection on \mathbb{T} in the coordinates q_i :

$$\nabla = d + \kappa \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} QC_k \frac{dq_k}{q_k}.$$

On the other hand, the trivial vector bundle with the fiber $V_{\underline{d}}$ over the space of quantum parameters \mathbb{T} is equipped with the *quantum connection* $d + \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} M_{\mathcal{D}_k} \frac{dq_k}{q_k}$.

Corollary 4.10. *The isomorphism Ψ carries the quantum connection to the Casimir connection with $\kappa = \frac{\hbar}{2}$.*

Remark 4.11. According to Vinberg [25], the family of subspaces Q_μ form an open subset in the moduli space of $(n-1)$ -dimensional spaces of commuting linear combinations of $e_\alpha e_{-\alpha}$ in $U(\mathfrak{g})$. Thus it is natural to expect that the operators $M_{\mathcal{D}_k}$ span the space Q_μ for some μ depending on q_2, \dots, q_{n-1} (but unfortunately, we have no idea how to prove that the operators $M_{\mathcal{D}_k}$ are quadratic expressions in the correspondences). Moreover, since the unit in the cohomology ring remains unit in the quantum cohomology ring, the quantum correction has to annihilate the vector $\mathbf{v}_{\underline{d}}$. Therefore the operator $\Psi(M_{\mathcal{D}_k})$ is QC_k up to a change of parametrization. Finally, the flatness of the quantum connection $d + \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} M_{\mathcal{D}_k} \frac{dq_k}{q_k}$ is a very restrictive condition on the parametrization $\mu(q_2, \dots, q_{n-1})$ — this leaves no other choice for $\Psi(M_{\mathcal{D}_k})$ but to coincide with $\frac{\hbar}{2}QC_k$.

5. Global Laumon spaces

5.1. Correspondences

Recall the setup of 2.3. We define two versions of the correspondences $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i} \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \times \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i}$, namely, $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}^0 := \mathbf{r}^{-1}\{0\}$, $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}^\infty := \mathbf{r}^{-1}\{\infty\}$. Their projections to $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i}$) will be denoted by $\mathbf{p}^0, \mathbf{p}^\infty$ (resp. $\mathbf{q}^0, \mathbf{q}^\infty$). The projection of $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}$ to $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}+i}$) will be denoted by \mathbf{p}^C (resp. \mathbf{q}^C).

We denote by $'A$ (resp. $'B$) the direct sum of equivariant (complexified) cohomology: $'A = \oplus_{\underline{d}} H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$ (resp. $'B = \oplus_{\underline{d}} H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$). We define $A = 'A \otimes_{H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$, and $B = 'B \otimes_{H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$.

We have an evident grading $A = \oplus_{\underline{d}} A_{\underline{d}}$, $A_{\underline{d}} = H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$; similarly, $B = \oplus_{\underline{d}} B_{\underline{d}}$, $B_{\underline{d}} = H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt))$.

Note that $H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt) = \mathbb{C}[e_1, \dots, e_n, \hbar]$ where e_i is the i -th elementary symmetric function of x_1, \dots, x_n .

5.2. Fixed points

The set of $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ -fixed points in $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ is finite; it is described in [7], 2.11. Recall that this fixed point set is in bijection with the set of collections $\{\widehat{\underline{d}}\}$ of the following data: a) a permutation $\sigma \in S_n$; b) a matrix (d_{ij}^0) (resp. d_{ij}^∞), $i \geq j$ of nonnegative integers such that for $i \geq j \geq k$ we have $d_{kj}^0 \geq d_{ij}^0$ (resp. $d_{kj}^\infty \geq d_{ij}^\infty$) such that $d_i = \sum_{j=1}^i (d_{ij}^0 + d_{ij}^\infty)$. Abusing notation we denote by $\widehat{\underline{d}}$ the corresponding $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ -fixed point in $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_1 &= \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}(-d_{11}^0 \cdot 0 - d_{11}^\infty \cdot \infty)w_{\sigma(1)}, \\ \mathcal{W}_2 &= \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}(-d_{21}^0 \cdot 0 - d_{21}^\infty \cdot \infty)w_{\sigma(1)} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}(-d_{22}^0 \cdot 0 - d_{22}^\infty \cdot \infty)w_{\sigma(2)}, \\ &\dots \dots \dots, \\ \mathcal{W}_{n-1} &= \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}(-d_{n-1,1}^0 \cdot 0 - d_{n-1,1}^\infty \cdot \infty)w_{\sigma(1)} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}(-d_{n-1,2}^0 \cdot 0 - d_{n-1,2}^\infty \cdot \infty)w_{\sigma(2)} \oplus \\ &\dots \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}(-d_{n-1,n-1}^0 \cdot 0 - d_{n-1,n-1}^\infty \cdot \infty)w_{\sigma(n-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we will write $\widehat{\underline{d}} = (\sigma, \underline{\widehat{d}}^0, \underline{\widehat{d}}^\infty)$.

The localized equivariant cohomology A is equipped with the basis of direct images of the fundamental classes of the fixed points; by an abuse of notation, this basis will be denoted $\{\widehat{\underline{d}}\}$.

5.3. Chern classes of tautological bundles

As in the proof of Theorem 3.5 and Corollary 3.7 we see that the $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)$ -algebra $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ is generated by the Künneth components of the Chern classes $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$, of the tautological vector bundles $\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}}$ on $\Omega_{\underline{d}} \times \mathbb{C}$. We compute the operators of multiplication by $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$, in the equivariant cohomology ring $H_{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\Omega_{\underline{d}})$ in the fixed point basis $\{\widehat{\underline{d}}\}$.

We introduce the following notation. For a function $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar) \in \mathbb{C}(\hbar \oplus \mathbb{C})$ and a permutation $\sigma \in S_n$ we set $f^\sigma(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar) := f(x_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)}, \hbar)$. Also, we set $\bar{f}(x_1, \dots, x_n, \hbar) := f(x_1, \dots, x_n, -\hbar)$. For $1 \leq j \leq i$, let $e_{ji}^0(\widehat{\underline{d}})$ (resp. $e_{ji}^\infty(\widehat{\underline{d}})$) stand for the sum of products of the j -tuples of distinct elements of the set $\{-x_1 + d_{i,1}^0 \hbar, \dots, -x_i + d_{i,i}^0 \hbar\}$ (resp. of the set $\{-x_1 + d_{i,1}^\infty \hbar, \dots, -x_i + d_{i,i}^\infty \hbar\}$).

Lemma 5.4. *The operator of multiplication by $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$ (resp. by $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$) is diagonal in the basis $\{\widehat{\underline{d}} = [(\sigma, \underline{\widehat{d}}^0, \underline{\widehat{d}}^\infty)]\}$ with eigenvalues $\{\frac{1}{2}(e_{ji}^0(\widehat{\underline{d}}) + e_{ji}^\infty(\widehat{\underline{d}}))^\sigma\}$ (resp. $\{\frac{\hbar^{-1}}{2}(e_{ji}^\infty(\widehat{\underline{d}}) - e_{ji}^0(\widehat{\underline{d}}))^\sigma\}$).*

Proof. The same argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.5. □

Corollary 5.5. *The operator of multiplication by $c_1^{(1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$ is diagonal in the basis $\{\widehat{\underline{d}} = [(\sigma, \underline{\widehat{d}}^0, \underline{\widehat{d}}^\infty)]\}$ with eigenvalues $-(x_1 + \dots + x_i)^\sigma + d_i \hbar$.*

5.6. The double Universal Enveloping Algebra

We denote by \mathfrak{U}^2 the universal enveloping algebra of $\mathfrak{gl}_n \oplus \mathfrak{gl}_n$ over the field $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$. For $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ we denote by $E_{ij}^{(1)}$ (resp. $E_{ij}^{(2)}$) the element $(E_{ij}, 0) \in \mathfrak{gl}_n \oplus \mathfrak{gl}_n \subset \mathfrak{U}^2$ (resp. the element $(0, E_{ij}) \in \mathfrak{gl}_n \oplus \mathfrak{gl}_n \subset \mathfrak{U}^2$). We denote by $\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}^2$ the subalgebra of \mathfrak{U}^2 generated by $E_{ii}^{(1)}, E_{ii}^{(2)}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, $E_{i,i+1}^{(1)}, E_{i,i+1}^{(2)}$, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. It acts on the field $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ as follows: $E_{i,i+1}^{(1)}, E_{i,i+1}^{(2)}$ act trivially for any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and $E_{ii}^{(1)}$ (resp. $E_{ii}^{(2)}$) acts by multiplication by $\hbar^{-1}x_i + i - 1$ (resp. $-\hbar^{-1}x_i + i - 1$). We define the *universal Verma module* \mathfrak{B} over \mathfrak{U}^2 as $\mathfrak{U}^2 \otimes_{\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}^2} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$. The universal Verma module \mathfrak{B} is an irreducible \mathfrak{U}^2 -module.

For a permutation $\sigma = (\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(n)) \in S_n$ (the Weyl group of $G = GL_n$) we consider a new action of $\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}^2$ on $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ defined as follows: $E_{i,i+1}^{(1)}, E_{i,i+1}^{(2)}$ act trivially for any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and $E_{ii}^{(1)}$ (resp. $E_{ii}^{(2)}$) acts by multiplication by $\hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(i)} + i - 1$ (resp. $-\hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(i)} + i - 1$). We define a module \mathfrak{B}^σ over \mathfrak{U}^2 as $\mathfrak{U}^2 \otimes_{\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}^2} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ (with respect to the new action of $\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}^2$ on $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$). Finally, we define $\mathfrak{A} := \bigoplus_{\sigma \in S_n} \mathfrak{B}^\sigma$.

5.7. The action of the double Universal Enveloping Algebra

The grading and the correspondences $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}, \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}^0, \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d},i}^\infty$ give rise to the following operators on A, B :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{f}_i^{(1)} &= E_{i,i+1}^{(1)} = \hbar^{-1} \mathbf{p}_*^0 \mathbf{q}^{0*} : A_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow A_{\underline{d}-i} \text{ and } B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow B_{\underline{d}-i}; \\ \mathfrak{f}_i^{(2)} &= E_{i,i+1}^{(2)} = -\hbar^{-1} \mathbf{p}_*^\infty \mathbf{q}^{\infty*} : A_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow A_{\underline{d}-i} \text{ and } B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow B_{\underline{d}-i}; \\ \mathfrak{e}_i^{(1)} &= E_{i+1,i}^{(1)} = -\hbar^{-1} \mathbf{q}_*^0 \mathbf{p}^{0*} : A_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow A_{\underline{d}+i} \text{ and } B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow B_{\underline{d}+i}; \\ \mathfrak{e}_i^{(2)} &= E_{i+1,i}^{(2)} = \hbar^{-1} \mathbf{q}_*^\infty \mathbf{p}^{\infty*} : A_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow A_{\underline{d}+i} \text{ and } B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow B_{\underline{d}+i}; \\ \mathfrak{f}_i^\Delta &= \mathbf{p}_*^{\mathbb{C}} \mathbf{q}^{\mathbb{C}*} : A_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow A_{\underline{d}-i} \text{ and } B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow B_{\underline{d}-i}; \\ \mathfrak{e}_i^\Delta &= -\mathbf{q}_*^{\mathbb{C}} \mathbf{p}^{\mathbb{C}*} : A_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow A_{\underline{d}+i} \text{ and } B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow B_{\underline{d}+i}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we define the action of $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]$ on B as follows: for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, x_i acts on $B_{\underline{d}}$ by multiplication by $c_1^{(1)}(\mathcal{W}_{i-1}^{\mathbb{C}}) - c_1^{(1)}(\mathcal{W}_i^{\mathbb{C}}) - (d_i - d_{i-1})\hbar$ (cf. Corollary 5.5); and x_n acts by multiplication by $e_1 - x_1 - \dots - x_{n-1}$ (recall that e_1 is the generator of $H_G^2(pt)$).

Theorem 5.8. *a) The operators $\mathfrak{e}_i^{(1)} = E_{i+1,i}^{(1)}, \mathfrak{e}_i^{(2)} = E_{i+1,i}^{(2)}, \mathfrak{f}_i^{(1)} = E_{i,i+1}^{(1)}, \mathfrak{f}_i^{(2)} = E_{i,i+1}^{(2)}$, along with the action of $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ on B defined in 5.7 satisfy the relations in \mathfrak{U}^2 , i.e. they give rise to the action of \mathfrak{U}^2 on B ;*

b) There is a unique isomorphism Ψ^2 of \mathfrak{U}^2 -modules B and \mathfrak{B} carrying $1 \in H_{\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{C}^}^0(Q_0) \subset B$ to the lowest weight vector $1 \in \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}) \subset \mathfrak{B}$.*

Proof. We describe the matrix coefficients of $\mathfrak{e}_i^{(1)} = E_{i+1,i}^{(1)}, \mathfrak{e}_i^{(2)} = E_{i+1,i}^{(2)}, \mathfrak{f}_i^{(1)} = E_{i,i+1}^{(1)}, \mathfrak{f}_i^{(2)} = E_{i,i+1}^{(2)}$ in the fixed point basis $\{\widehat{[\underline{d}]}\}$. Recall the matrix coefficients $\mathfrak{e}_{i[\underline{d}, \underline{d}']}, \mathfrak{f}_{i[\underline{d}, \underline{d}']}$ computed in Proposition 2.9. The proof of the following easy lemma is omitted.

Lemma 5.9. *Let $\widehat{\underline{d}} = (\sigma, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)$, and $\widehat{\underline{d}}' = (\sigma', \widetilde{\underline{d}}^{0'}, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^{\infty'})$. The matrix coefficients are as follows: $\mathbf{e}_{i[\widehat{\underline{d}}, \widehat{\underline{d}}']}^{(1)} = \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} (\mathbf{e}_{i[\widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^{0'}]})^\sigma$; $\mathbf{e}_{i[\widehat{\underline{d}}, \widehat{\underline{d}}']}^{(2)} = \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} (\mathbf{e}_{i[\widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^{\infty'}]})^\sigma$; $\mathbf{f}_{i[\widehat{\underline{d}}, \widehat{\underline{d}}']}^{(1)} = \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} (\mathbf{f}_{i[\widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^{0'}]})^\sigma$; $\mathbf{f}_{i[\widehat{\underline{d}}, \widehat{\underline{d}}']}^{(2)} = \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} (\mathbf{f}_{i[\widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^{\infty'}]})^\sigma$. \square*

It follows that the operators $\mathbf{e}_i^{(1)} = E_{i+1, i}^{(1)}$, $\mathbf{e}_i^{(2)} = E_{i+1, i}^{(2)}$, $\mathbf{f}_i^{(1)} = E_{i, i+1}^{(1)}$, $\mathbf{f}_i^{(2)} = E_{i, i+1}^{(2)}$ on A defined in 5.7 satisfy the relations in \mathfrak{U}^2 , i.e. they give rise to the action of \mathfrak{U}^2 on A . Moreover, it follows that the \mathfrak{U}^2 -module A is isomorphic to \mathfrak{A} . In order to describe the image of the basis $\{\widehat{\underline{d}}\}$ under this isomorphism, we introduce the following notation. First, we introduce a \mathfrak{U} -module $\mathfrak{Y}^\sigma := \mathfrak{U} \otimes_{\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ where $\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}$ acts on $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ as follows: $E_{i, i+1}$ acts trivially for any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and E_{ii} acts by multiplication by $\hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(i)} + i - 1$. Similarly, we introduce a \mathfrak{U} -module $\widetilde{\mathfrak{Y}}^\sigma := \mathfrak{U} \otimes_{\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}} \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ where $\mathfrak{U}_{\leq 0}$ acts on $\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ as follows: $E_{i, i+1}$ acts trivially for any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and E_{ii} acts by multiplication by $-\hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(i)} + i - 1$. Note that $\mathfrak{B}^\sigma \simeq \mathfrak{Y}^\sigma \otimes_{\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})} \widetilde{\mathfrak{Y}}^\sigma$.

Now to a collection $\widetilde{\underline{d}} = (d_{ij})$, and a permutation $\sigma \in S_n$, we associate a Gelfand-Tsetlin pattern $\Lambda^\sigma = \Lambda^\sigma(\widetilde{\underline{d}}) := (\lambda_{ij}^\sigma)$, $n \geq i \geq j$, as follows: $\lambda_{nj}^\sigma := \hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(j)} + j - 1$, $n \geq j \geq 1$; $\lambda_{ij}^\sigma := \hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(j)} + j - 1 - d_{ij}$, $n-1 \geq i \geq j \geq 1$. We define $\xi_{\underline{d}}^\sigma = \xi_{\Lambda^\sigma} \in \mathfrak{Y}^\sigma$ by the formulas (2.9)–(2.11) of [17] (where $\xi = \xi_0 = 1 \in \mathfrak{Y}^\sigma$). Similarly, to a collection $\widetilde{\underline{d}} = (d_{ij})$, and a permutation $\sigma \in S_n$, we associate a Gelfand-Tsetlin pattern $\bar{\Lambda}^\sigma = \bar{\Lambda}^\sigma(\widetilde{\underline{d}}) := (\bar{\lambda}_{ij}^\sigma)$, $n \geq i \geq j$, as follows: $\bar{\lambda}_{nj}^\sigma := -\hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(j)} + j - 1$, $n \geq j \geq 1$; $\bar{\lambda}_{ij}^\sigma := -\hbar^{-1}x_{\sigma(j)} + j - 1 - d_{ij}$, $n-1 \geq i \geq j \geq 1$. We define $\bar{\xi}_{\underline{d}}^\sigma = \xi_{\bar{\Lambda}^\sigma} \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{Y}}^\sigma$ by the formulas (2.9)–(2.11) of [17] (where $\xi = \xi_0 = 1 \in \widetilde{\mathfrak{Y}}^\sigma$). Finally, to a collection $\widehat{\underline{d}} = (\sigma, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)$ we associate an element $\xi_{\widehat{\underline{d}}} := \xi_{\underline{d}}^\sigma \otimes \bar{\xi}_{\underline{d}}^\sigma \in \mathfrak{Y}^\sigma \otimes_{\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})} \widetilde{\mathfrak{Y}}^\sigma = \mathfrak{B}^\sigma$.

Theorem 2.11 and Lemma 5.9 implies that under the above isomorphism $A \simeq \mathfrak{A}$ a basis element $\widehat{\underline{d}}$ goes to $(-\hbar)^{|\widehat{\underline{d}}|} \xi_{\widehat{\underline{d}}}$.

We are ready to finish the proof of the theorem. Since the action of $\widetilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ on $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ extends to the action of $G \times \mathbb{C}^*$, the equivariant cohomology $H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$ is equipped with the action of the Weyl group S_n , and $H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}) = H_{\widetilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})^{S_n}$. It follows $B = A^{S_n}$. Since B is closed with respect to the action of the operators $\mathbf{e}_i^{(1)} = E_{i+1, i}^{(1)}$, $\mathbf{e}_i^{(2)} = E_{i+1, i}^{(2)}$, $\mathbf{f}_i^{(1)} = E_{i, i+1}^{(1)}$, $\mathbf{f}_i^{(2)} = E_{i, i+1}^{(2)}$ on B , part a) follows. Note however, that the action of S_n on A does not commute with the action of the above operators.

To prove part b), we describe the action of S_n on A explicitly in the basis $\{\widehat{\underline{d}}\}$. For $\widehat{\underline{d}} = (\sigma, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)$, $\sigma' \in S_n$, $f \in \mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})$, we have $\sigma'(f\widehat{\underline{d}}) = f\sigma'[(\sigma'\sigma, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)]$. We conclude that for $\widehat{\underline{d}} = (1, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)$ (so that $\xi_{\widehat{\underline{d}}} \in \mathfrak{B}^1 = \mathfrak{B}$) we have $(\Psi^2)^{-1}(f\xi_{\widehat{\underline{d}}}) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} f\sigma[(\sigma, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)]$. This completes the proof of the theorem. \square

Remark 5.10. The operators $f_i^\Delta, \mathfrak{e}_i^\Delta$ of 5.7 were introduced in [7]. It is easy to see that $f_i^\Delta = f_i^{(1)} + f_i^{(2)}$, $\mathfrak{e}_i^\Delta = \mathfrak{e}_i^{(1)} + \mathfrak{e}_i^{(2)}$.

5.11. The double Gelfand-Tsetlin algebra

A completion of $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}(\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C})} \mathfrak{V}$ contains the Whittaker vector $\sum_{\underline{d}} \mathfrak{b}_{\underline{d}} = \mathfrak{b} := \mathfrak{v} \otimes \mathfrak{v}$. It follows from the proof of Theorem 5.8 that for the unit element of the cohomology ring $1^{\underline{d}} \in H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^0(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$ we have $\Psi^2(1^{\underline{d}}) = \mathfrak{b}_{\underline{d}}$. The double Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra $\mathfrak{G}^2 := \mathfrak{G} \otimes \mathfrak{G}$ acts by endomorphisms of \mathfrak{B} . We denote by $\mathfrak{J}_{\underline{d}}^2 \subset \mathfrak{G}^2$ the annihilator ideal of the vector $\mathfrak{b}_{\underline{d}} \in \mathfrak{B}$, and we denote by $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2$ the quotient of \mathfrak{G}^2 by $\mathfrak{J}_{\underline{d}}^2$. The action of \mathfrak{G}^2 on $\mathfrak{b}_{\underline{d}}$ gives rise to an embedding $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2 \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{B}_{\underline{d}}$. The same way as in Proposition 2.17.a) one proves that this embedding is an isomorphism $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2 \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{B}_{\underline{d}}$.

Proposition 5.12. *The composite morphism $\Psi^2 : H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)} \text{Frac}(H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)) = B_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{B}_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2$ is an algebra isomorphism.*

Proof. As in the proof of Theorem 3.5 and Corollary 3.7 we see that the $H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(pt)$ -algebra $H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$ is generated by the Künneth components of the Chern classes $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$, of the tautological vector bundles $\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}}$ on $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \times \mathbb{C}$. In order to prove the proposition, it suffices to check that the operators of multiplication by $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$, in the equivariant cohomology ring $H_{G \times \mathbb{C}^*}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$ lie in $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2$. To this end we compute these operators explicitly in the basis $\{(\Psi^2)^{-1} \xi_{\underline{d}}, \widehat{\underline{d}} = (1, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)\}$ of \mathfrak{B} . Lemma 5.4 implies that the operator of multiplication by $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$ (resp. by $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$, $1 \leq j \leq i \leq n-1$) is diagonal in the basis $\{(\Psi^2)^{-1} \xi_{\underline{d}}, \widehat{\underline{d}} = (1, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^0, \widetilde{\underline{d}}^\infty)\}$ with eigenvalues $\{e_{ji}^0(\widehat{\underline{d}}) + e_{ji}^\infty(\widehat{\underline{d}})\}$ (resp. $\{\hbar^{-1}(e_{ji}^\infty(\widehat{\underline{d}}) - e_{ji}^0(\widehat{\underline{d}}))\}$). As in the proof of Theorem 3.5 we see that $e_{ji}^0(\widehat{\underline{d}})$ is the eigenvalue of the element of $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}} \otimes 1 \subset \mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2$, and $e_{ji}^\infty(\widehat{\underline{d}})$ is the eigenvalue of the same element in the other copy of the Gelfand-Tsetlin subalgebra $1 \otimes \mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}} \subset \mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2$, hence $c_j^{(j)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$ and $c_j^{(j-1)}(\underline{\mathcal{W}}_i^{\mathbb{C}})$ lie in $\mathfrak{G}_{\underline{d}}^2$. □

5.13. Integral forms

Recall the notations of 3.3. We consider the correspondences $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^0 \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \times \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d} + \alpha_{ij}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^\infty \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \times \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d} + \alpha_{ij}}$) defined exactly as in *loc. cit.* (resp. replacing the condition in 3.3.b by the condition that $\mathcal{W}_\bullet / \mathcal{W}'_\bullet$ is supported at $\infty \in \mathbb{C}$). We denote by $\mathbf{p}_{ij}^0 : \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$, $\mathbf{q}_{ij}^0 : \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d} + \alpha_{ij}}$, $\mathbf{p}_{ij}^\infty : \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$, $\mathbf{q}_{ij}^\infty : \mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d} + \alpha_{ij}}$ the natural proper projections. We also consider the correspondences and projections $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^{\mathbb{C}} \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \times \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d} + \alpha_{ij}}$, $\mathbf{p}_{ij}^{\mathbb{C}}, \mathbf{q}_{ij}^{\mathbb{C}}$ defined as above but without any restriction on the support of $\mathcal{W}_\bullet / \mathcal{W}'_\bullet$.

We consider the following operators on $'B$:

$$\underline{E}_{ij}^{(1)} = \mathbf{p}_{ij}^0 * \mathbf{q}_{ij}^{0*} : 'B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'B_{\underline{d} - \alpha_{ij}};$$

$$\underline{E}_{ij}^{(2)} = -\mathbf{p}_{ij}^\infty * \mathbf{q}_{ij}^{\infty*} : 'B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'B_{\underline{d} - \alpha_{ij}};$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{E}_{ji}^{(1)} &= (-1)^{i-j} \mathbf{q}_{ij}^0 \mathbf{p}_{ij}^{0*} : 'B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'B_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}; \\ \underline{E}_{ji}^{(2)} &= -(-1)^{i-j} \mathbf{q}_{ij}^\infty \mathbf{p}_{ij}^{\infty*} : 'B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'B_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}; \\ E_{ij}^\Delta &= \mathbf{p}_{ij}^{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{q}_{ij}^{\mathbf{C}*} : 'B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'B_{\underline{d}-\alpha_{ij}}; \\ E_{ji}^\Delta &= (-1)^{i-j} \mathbf{q}_{ij}^{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{p}_{ij}^{\mathbf{C}*} : 'B_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow 'B_{\underline{d}+\alpha_{ij}}. \end{aligned}$$

We have $E_{ij}^\Delta = \hbar^{-1}(\underline{E}_{ij}^{(1)} + \underline{E}_{ij}^{(2)})$, $E_{ji}^\Delta = \hbar^{-1}(\underline{E}_{ji}^{(1)} + \underline{E}_{ji}^{(2)})$.

We define $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}^2 \subset \mathfrak{U}^2$ as the $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t} \oplus \mathbb{C}]$ -subalgebra generated by $\underline{y}^{(1)}$, $\underline{y}^{(2)}$, y^Δ , $y \in \mathfrak{gl}_n$, where $\underline{y}^{(1)}$ (resp. $\underline{y}^{(2)}$) stands for $\hbar(y, 0)$ (resp. $\hbar(0, y)$), and y^Δ stands for (y, y) . Then it is easy to see that the above operators give rise to the action of $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}^2$ on $'B$.

Also, it is easy to check that $\underline{\mathfrak{U}}^2/(\hbar = 0)$ is isomorphic to the algebra $\mathbb{U} := (\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{gl}_n] \rtimes U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)) \otimes \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{t}]$ (the semidirect product with respect to the adjoint action). Hence $\bar{B} := 'B/(\hbar = 0) = \bigoplus_{\underline{d}} H_{\mathbf{C}}^\bullet(\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}})$ inherits an action of \mathbb{U} .

Conjecture 5.14. *The \mathbb{U} -module \bar{B} is isomorphic to $H_{\{\mathfrak{g}_{\leq 0}\}}^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}(\mathfrak{gl}_n, \mathcal{O})$. Under this isomorphism, the action of $H_{\mathbf{C}}^\bullet(pt)$ on \bar{B} corresponds to the action of $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{gl}_n]^G$ on $H_{\{\mathfrak{g}_{\leq 0}\}}^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}(\mathfrak{gl}_n, \mathcal{O})$.*

Conjecture 6.4 of [7] on the direct sum of *nonequivariant* cohomology of $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ is an immediate corollary of 5.14.

5.15. Relative Laumon spaces

We propose a generalization of Conjecture 6.4 of [7] in a different direction. Let $\underline{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_n)$ be an n -tuple of integers (not necessarily positive). Let $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ be the moduli stack of flags of locally free sheaves $\mathcal{W}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{W}_{n-1} \subset \mathcal{W}_n$ on \mathbf{C} such that $\text{rk}(\mathcal{W}_i) = i$, $\text{deg}(\mathcal{W}_i) = d_i$ (see [14]). We have a representable projective morphism $\pi : \mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow \text{Bun}$, $\mathcal{W}_\bullet \mapsto \mathcal{W}_n$, where Bun stands for the moduli stack of GL_n -bundles on \mathbf{C} . The fiber of π over the trivial GL_n -bundle (an open point of Bun) is $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$. The correspondences $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^0$, $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^\infty$, $\mathcal{E}_{\underline{d}, \alpha_{ij}}^{\mathbf{C}}$ of subsection 5.13 make perfect sense for the stacks $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$ in place of $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$. As in *loc. cit.*, they give rise to the operators $\underline{E}_{ij}^{(1)}$, $\underline{E}_{ij}^{(2)}$, E_{ij}^Δ , etc. on the constructible complex $\mathbf{B} := \bigoplus_{\underline{d} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1}} \pi_* \underline{\mathbf{C}}_{\underline{d}}$ on Bun (where $\underline{\mathbf{C}}_{\underline{d}}$ stands for the constant sheaf on $\mathcal{Q}_{\underline{d}}$). This constructible complex is the geometric Eisenstein series of [14]. The above operators give rise to the action of $\bar{\mathbb{U}} := \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{gl}_n] \rtimes U(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$ on \mathbf{B} : this follows from the results of 5.13 by the argument of [2], 3.8–3.11. In particular, $\bar{\mathbb{U}}$ acts on the stalks of \mathbf{B} , and we propose a conjecture describing the resulting $\bar{\mathbb{U}}$ -modules.

Recall that the isomorphism classes of GL_n -bundles on \mathbf{C} are parametrized by the set X^+ of dominant weights of GL_n . For $\eta \in X^+$ we denote by \mathbf{B}_η the corresponding stalk of \mathbf{B} . Also, we will denote by $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ the corresponding line bundle on the flag variety \mathcal{B}_n of GL_n . We will keep the same notation for the lift of $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ to the cotangent bundle $T^*\mathcal{B}_n$. We will denote by L_η the direct image of $\mathcal{O}(\eta)$ under the Springer resolution

morphism $T^*\mathcal{B}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$ to the nilpotent cone $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_n$. The cohomology of the coherent sheaf L_η carries a natural action of \bar{U} .

Conjecture 5.16. *The \bar{U} -module \mathcal{B}_η is isomorphic to $H_{\mathfrak{g}<0}^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}(\mathcal{N}, L_\eta)$ (cf. Conjecture 7.8 of [8]).*

6. Equivariant K -ring of $\Omega_{\underline{d}}$ and quantum Gelfand-Tsetlin algebra

6.1. Quantum Universal Enveloping Algebra

We preserve the setup of [2] with the following slight changes of notation. Now \tilde{T} stands for a 2^n -cover of a Cartan torus of GL_n as opposed to SL_n in *loc. cit.* Now U' stands for the quantum universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{gl}_n over the field $\mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*)$, as opposed to the quantum universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{sl}_n in 2.26 of *loc. cit.*

For the quantum universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{gl}_n we follow the notations of section 2 of [18]. Namely, U' has generators t_{ij}, \bar{t}_{ij} , $1 \leq i, j \leq n$, subject to relations (2.4) of *loc. cit.* The standard Chevalley generators are expressed via t_{ij}, \bar{t}_{ij} as follows:

$$K_i = t_{i+1, i+1} \bar{t}_{ii}, \quad E_i = (v - v^{-1})^{-1} \bar{t}_{ii} t_{i+1, i}, \quad F_i = -(v - v^{-1})^{-1} \bar{t}_{i, i+1} t_{ii}$$

(note that this presentation differs from the one in (2.6) of *loc. cit.* by an application of Chevalley involution). Note also that U' is generated by t_{ii}, \bar{t}_{ii} , $1 \leq i \leq n$; $t_{i+1, i}, \bar{t}_{i, i+1}$, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. We denote by $U'_{\leq 0}$ the subalgebra of U' generated by $t_{ii}, \bar{t}_{ii}, \bar{t}_{i, i+1}$. It acts on the field $\mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*)$ as follows: $\bar{t}_{i, i+1}$ acts trivially for any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and $\bar{t}_{ii} = t_{ii}^{-1}$ acts by multiplication by $t_i^{-1} v^{1-i}$. We define the *universal Verma module* \mathfrak{M} over U' as $\mathfrak{M} := U' \otimes_{U'_{\leq 0}} \mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*)$.

Recall that $M = \bigoplus_{\underline{d}} M_{\underline{d}}$, $M_{\underline{d}} = K^{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*}(\Omega_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*]} \mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*)$ (cf. [2], 2.7).

We define the following operators on M (well defined since the correspondences $\mathfrak{E}_{\underline{d}, i}$ are smooth, and the $\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*$ -fixed point sets are finite):

$$t_{ii} = t_i v^{d_{i-1} - d_i + i - 1} : M_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow M_{\underline{d}}; \quad \bar{t}_{ii} = t_{ii}^{-1};$$

$$\bar{t}_{i, i+1} = (v^{-1} - v) t_{i+1}^i t_i^{-i-1} v^{(2i+1)d_i - (i+1)d_{i-1} - id_{i+1} - 2i+1} \mathbf{p}_* \mathbf{q}^* : M_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow M_{\underline{d}-i};$$

$$t_{i+1, i} = (v^{-1} - v) t_{i+1}^{-i-1} t_i^i v^{id_{i-1} + (i+1)d_{i+1} - (2i+1)d_i - 1} \mathbf{q}_* (\mathfrak{L}_i \otimes \mathbf{p}^*) : M_{\underline{d}} \rightarrow M_{\underline{d}+i}.$$

According to Theorem 2.12 of [2], these operators satisfy the relations in U' , i.e. they give rise to the action of U' on M . Moreover, there is a unique isomorphism $\psi : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}$ carrying $[\mathcal{O}_{\Omega_0}] \in M$ to the lowest weight vector $1 \in \mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*) \subset \mathfrak{M}$.

6.2. Quantum Gelfand-Tsetlin basis

The construction of Gelfand-Tsetlin basis for the representations of quantum \mathfrak{gl}_n goes back to M. Jimbo [11]. We will follow the approach of [18]. Given \underline{d} and the corresponding Gelfand-Tsetlin pattern $\Lambda = \Lambda(\underline{d})$ (see subsection 2.10), we define $\xi_{\underline{d}} = \xi_{\Lambda} \in \mathfrak{M}$ by the formula (5.12) of [18]. According to Proposition 5.1 of *loc. cit.*, the set $\{\xi_{\underline{d}}\}$ (over all collections \underline{d}) forms a basis of \mathfrak{M} .

Recall the basis $\{\widetilde{\underline{d}}\}$ of M introduced in 2.16 of [2]: the direct images of the structure sheaves of the torus-fixed points. The following theorem is proved absolutely similarly to Theorem 2.11, using Proposition 5.1 of [18].

Theorem 6.3. *The isomorphism $\psi : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}$ of subsection 6.1 takes $\widetilde{\underline{d}}$ to $c_{\underline{d}} \xi_{\underline{d}}$ where*

$$c_{\underline{d}} = (v^2 - 1)^{-|\underline{d}|} v^{|\underline{d}| + \sum_i i d_{i-1} d_i - \sum_i \frac{2i+1}{2} d_i^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} d_{i,j}^2} \prod_i t_i^{i(d_i - d_{i-1})} \prod_j t_j^{\sum_{k \geq j} d_{k,j}}.$$

□

6.4. Quantum Casimirs

Let Cas_k^v be the quantum Casimir element of the completion of the quantum universal enveloping algebra $U_v(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$. The quantum Casimir element is defined in section 6.1. of [15] in terms of the universal R -matrix lying in the completion of $U_v(\mathfrak{gl}_k) \otimes U_v(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$. According to [15], Proposition 6.1.7, the eigenvalue of Cas_k^v on the Verma module over $U_v(\mathfrak{gl}_k)$ with the highest weight λ_k is $v^{-(\lambda_k, \lambda_k + 2\rho_k)}$. This means that the operator Cas_k^v is diagonal in the Gelfand-Tsetlin basis, and the eigenvalue of Cas_k^v on the basis vector $\xi_{\underline{d}} = \xi_{\Lambda}$ is $v^{-\sum_{j \leq k} \lambda_{kj}(\lambda_{kj} + k - 2j + 1)}$ (with $t_i v^{j-1 - d_{ki}} = v^{\lambda_{ki}}$). Consider the following “corrected” Casimir operators

$$\widetilde{Cas}_k^v := Cas_k^v \cdot \prod_{j=1}^k t_{jj}^{k-2} v^{\sum_{j=1}^k (\lambda_{nj} - j)(\lambda_{nj} - j + 1) - \frac{k(k-1)(k-2)}{3}}$$

Lemma 2.14 admits the following

Corollary 6.5. *a) The operator of tensor multiplication by the class $[\mathcal{D}_k]$ in M is diagonal in the basis $\{\widetilde{\underline{d}}\}$, and the eigenvalue corresponding to $\underline{d} = (d_{ij})$ equals $\prod_{j \leq k} t_j^{2-2d_{kj}} v^{d_{kj}(d_{kj}-1)}$.*

b) The isomorphism $\psi : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}$ carries the operator of tensor multiplication by $[\mathcal{D}_k]$ to the operator \widetilde{Cas}_k^v .

Proof. a) is immediate.

b) straightforward from a) and the formula for eigenvalues of Cas_k^v . □

6.6. Quantum Gelfand-Tsetlin algebra and K -rings

Recall the Whittaker vector $\mathfrak{k} = \sum_{\underline{d}} \mathfrak{k}_{\underline{d}}$ of [2] 2.30. According to Proposition 2.31 of *loc. cit.*, $\psi[\mathcal{O}_{\underline{d}}] = \mathfrak{k}_{\underline{d}}$.

Consider the “quantum Gelfand-Tsetlin algebra” $\mathcal{G} \subset \text{End}(\mathfrak{M})$ generated by all the $\widehat{\text{Cas}}_k^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ over the field $\mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*)$. We denote by $\mathcal{J}_{\underline{d}} \subset \mathcal{G}$ the annihilator ideal of the vector $\mathfrak{k}_{\underline{d}} \in \mathfrak{M}$, and we denote by $\mathcal{G}_{\underline{d}}$ the quotient algebra of \mathcal{G} by $\mathcal{J}_{\underline{d}}$. The action of \mathcal{G} on $\mathfrak{k}_{\underline{d}}$ gives rise to an embedding $\mathcal{G}_{\underline{d}} \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{M}_{\underline{d}}$.

Proposition 6.7. *a) $\mathcal{G}_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{M}_{\underline{d}}$.*

b) The composite morphism $\psi : K^{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^}(\mathfrak{Q}_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*]} \mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*) = M_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{M}_{\underline{d}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{G}_{\underline{d}}$ is an algebra isomorphism.*

c) The algebra $K^{\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^}(\mathfrak{Q}_{\underline{d}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*]} \mathbb{C}(\tilde{T} \times \mathbb{C}^*)$ is generated by $\{[\mathcal{D}_k] : k \geq 2, d_k \neq 0 \neq d_{k-1}\}$.*

Proof. The proof is the same as for Proposition 2.17. □

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