# Representation of Real Forms of Witten's First Deformation

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#### Abstract

Special star structures on Witten's first deformation are found. Description of all irreducible representations in the category of Hilbert spaces of the found \*-algebras in both bounded and unbounded operators is obtained.

#### 1 Introduction

Studying Jone's polynomials in node theories, their generalization and their connections with "vertex models" in two-dimensional statistical mechanics, Witten presents Hoph algebra deformations of the universal enveloping algebra su(2). There is a family of associative algebras depending on a real parameter p. These algebras are given by the generators  $E_0$ ,  $E_+$ ,  $E_-$  and relations [2]:

$$pE_0E_+ - \frac{1}{p}E_+E_0 = E_+,\tag{1}$$

$$[E_{+}, E_{-}] = E_{0} - \left(p - \frac{1}{p}\right) E_{0}^{2}, \tag{2}$$

$$pE_{-}E_{0} - \frac{1}{p}E_{0}E_{-} = E_{-}. (3)$$

In Section 1, we write down all (but from a certain class) star algebra structures on Witten's first deformation. In Section 3, we give description of all irreducible representations in bounded or unbounded operators of the found \*-algebras in the category of Hilbert's spaces. We widely use the "dynamical relations" method developed in [3].

#### 2 Real forms

Witten's first deformation is a family of associative algebras  $A_p$  given by generators and relations (1)–(3), with the parameter p in (0,1). Extreme cases are p = 1, which is su(2), and p = 0, with relations  $E_+E_0 = E_0E_+ = E_0^2 = 0$ . We consider stars on  $A_p$ , which are obtained from involutions on the free algebra with the invariant lineal subspace generated by relations (1)–(3).

Stars are equivalent if the corresponding real forms are isomorphic.

**Lemma 1** There are only two unequivalent stars on Witten's first deformation:

$$E_0^* = E_0, \qquad E_+^* = E_-, \tag{4}$$

$$E_0^* = E_0, \qquad E_+^* = -E_-. \tag{5}$$

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### 3 Dynamical relations.

Relations (1)–(3) with star (4) or (5) form a dynamic relation system [3]. The corresponding dynamic system on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$F(x,y) = \left(p^{-1}(1+p^{-1}x), g(gy-x+(p-p^{-1})x^2)\right),\,$$

where g = 1 (g = -1) for the first (second) real form.

It's a quite difficult task to find positive orbits of a two-dimensional nonlinear dynamic system, to avoid these difficulties, we use Casimir element:

$$C_p = p^{-1}E_+E_- + pE_-E_+ + E_0^2$$
.

For any irreducible representation T:  $T(C_p) = \mu I$ , where  $\mu$  is complex.

We will be working with the following system:

$$E_0 E_+ = E_+ f(E_0), (6)$$

$$E_{+}^{*}E_{+} = G_{\nu}(E_{0}), \tag{7}$$

where  $\nu = \mu p$ ,

$$f(X) = p^{-1}(1 + p^{-1}x),$$
  

$$G_{\nu}(y) = \frac{g}{1 + p^{2}}(-y - p^{-1}y^{2} + \nu I).$$

**Lemma 2** For any irreducible representation T of the real form  $A_p$ , there is a unique  $\nu$  ( $\nu \geq 0$  for the first real form) such that T is the representation of (6), (7).

For an arbitrary  $\nu$  ( $\nu \geq 0$  for the first real form), every irreducible representation T of (6), (7) with dim T > 1 is a representation of  $A_p$ .

The dynamic system corresponding to relations (6), (7) is actually one-dimensional and linear depending on one real parameter.

Below we compile some basic facts from [3]. Every irreducible representation of a dynamic system is determined by the subset  $\mathbb{R}^2 \supset \Delta$ :

$$\Delta = \{(\lambda_k, \mu_k), j < k < J\},\$$

where  $\lambda_{k+1} = f(\lambda_k)$ ,  $\mu_{k+1} = G_{\nu}(\lambda_k)$ ,  $\mu_k \ge 0$ ,  $\mu_k = 0$  for extreme k; j, J are integer or infinite;  $l_2(\Delta)$  is a Hilbert space with the orthonormed base:  $\{e_{(\lambda_k,\mu_k)}: (\lambda_k,\mu_k) \in \Delta\}$ ,

$$T(E_0)e_{(\lambda_k,\mu_k)} = \lambda_k e_{(\lambda_k,\mu_k)},$$

$$T(E_+)e_{(\lambda_k,\mu_k)} = \mu_{k+1}^{1/2} e_{(\lambda_{k+1},\mu_{k+1})}, \qquad j < k+1 < J,$$

$$T(E_-)e_{(\lambda_k,\mu_k)} = \mu_k^{1/2} e_{(\lambda_{k-1},\mu_{k-1})}, \qquad j < k-1,$$

$$T(E_+)e_{(\lambda_{l-1},\mu_{l-1})} = 0, \qquad T(E_-)e_{(\lambda_{l+1},\mu_{l+1})} = 0.$$

## 4 Classification of representations

Theorem 1 Every irreducible representation of the first real form is bounded

1. For every nonnegative integer m, there is a representation of dimension m+1, with  $\nu = \frac{p}{4} \left( \left( \frac{(1-p^{2m})(1+p^2)}{(1+p^{2m})(1-p^2)} \right)^2 - 1 \right), \ \Delta_{\nu} = \{ f(k,x_1), -1 < k \le m+1 \};$ 

2. There is a family of one-dimensional representations  $E_0 = \frac{p}{(p^2-1)}$ ;  $E_+ = \lambda$ ;

$$E_{-}=\bar{\lambda}; \lambda \text{ is complex, } \nu=\frac{p^3}{(1-p^2)^2};$$

3. For every  $\nu \in \left[\frac{p^3}{(1-p^2)^2}; +\infty\right)$ , there is a representation with the upper weight  $\Delta_{\nu} = \{f(k, x_2), \ k < 1\};$ 

4. For every 
$$nu \in \left[\frac{p^3}{(1-p^2)^2}; +\infty\right)$$
, there is a representation with the lower weight:  $\Delta_{\nu} = \{f(k, x_1), k < 1\}.$ 

In the theorem, we have used notation

$$f(k,x) = \frac{1}{p^{2k}} \left( x + \frac{p^{2k} - 1}{p^2 - 1} p \right);$$
  $g_{\nu}(x) = -x - p^{-1} x^2 + \nu,$ 

were  $x_1 < x_2$  are roots of the equation  $g_{\nu}(x) = 0$ .

**Theorem 2** There are bounded and unbounded irreducible representations of the second real form in an infinite-dimensional Hilbert space, except for a one-dimensional representation.

1. All bounded irreducible representations have the upper weight

$$\nu \in \left[ -\frac{p}{4}; \frac{p^3}{(1-p^2)^2} \right), \qquad \Delta_{\nu} = \{ f(k, x_1), k < 1 \};$$

- 2. Unbounded irreducible representations:
  - (a) There are two families with the upper weight first family:

$$\nu \in \left(-\frac{p}{4} ; 0\right), \qquad \Delta_{\nu} = \{f(k, x_2), k < 1\}$$

second family:

$$\nu \in \left(\frac{p^3}{(1-p^2)^2}; +\infty\right), \qquad \Delta_{\nu} = \{f(k, x_1), k > -1\}$$

(b) There are two families with the lower weight first family:

$$\nu \in \left[\frac{p}{4}; 0\right), \qquad \Delta_{\nu} = \{f(k, x_2), k > -1\}$$

second family:

$$\nu \in \left(\frac{p^3}{(1-p^2)^2}; +\infty\right), \qquad \Delta_{\nu} = \{f(k, x_1), k > -1\}$$

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(c) There are two families without the upper and lower weights: first family is numerated by the set

$$\tau = \{(\lambda, \nu) : \lambda \in \left(-p ; -\frac{p}{2}\right) \cup \left(-\frac{p}{2} ; 0\right], \nu \in (-\infty ; \lambda(\lambda + p)p^{-1})\}$$
$$\Delta_{(\lambda, \nu)} = \{f(k, \lambda), k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

second family is numerated by the set

$$\epsilon = [-p^{-2}; -p-1) \times (-\infty; p^3(1-p^2)^{-1}), \quad \Delta_{(\lambda,\nu)} = \{f(k,\lambda), k \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

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