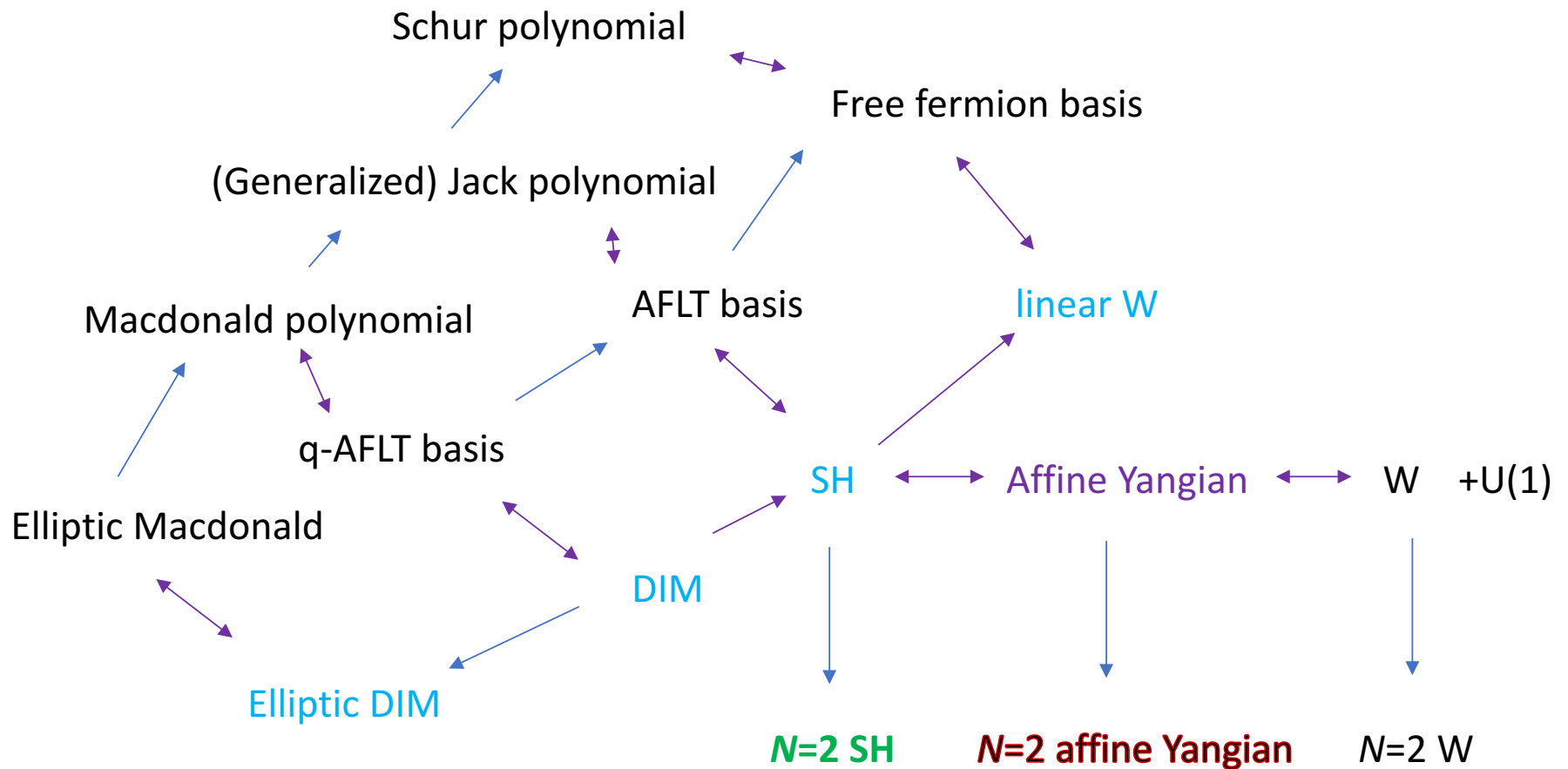


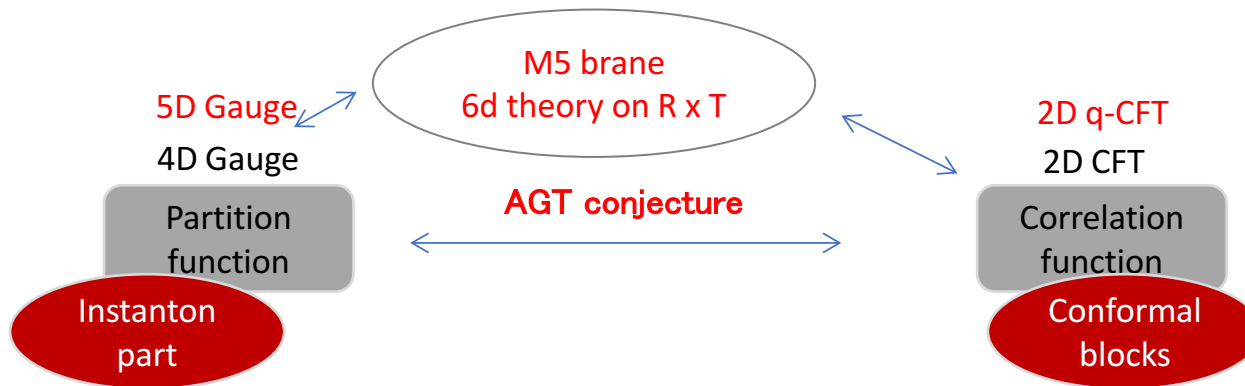
ALGEBRAIC ENGINEERING OF 4D $N = 2$ SUPER YANG-MILLS THEORIES

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Some BPS quantities of $N = 1$ 5D quiver gauge theories, like instanton partition functions or qq-characters, can be constructed as algebraic objects of the Ding-Iohara-Miki (DIM) algebra.

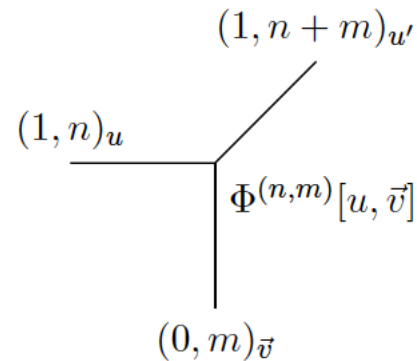
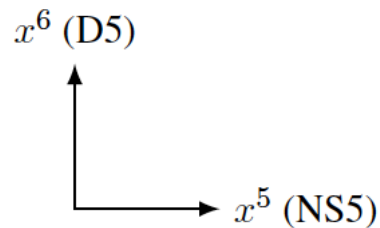
This construction is applied here to $N = 2$ super Yang-Mills theories in four dimensions using a degenerate version of the DIM algebra.

We build up the equivalent of horizontal and vertical representations, the first one being defined using vertex operators acting on a free boson's Fock space, while the second one is essentially equivalent to the action of Vasserot-Shiffmann's Spherical Hecke central algebra.

1. Degenerate DIM algebra

1.1 Horizontal representation

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DIM algebra

$$\begin{aligned}
[\bar{\psi}^\pm(Z), \bar{\psi}^\pm(W)] &= 0, \quad \bar{\psi}^+(Z)\bar{\psi}^-(W) = \frac{\bar{g}(q_3^{c/2}Z/W)}{\bar{g}(q_3^{-c/2}Z/W)}\bar{\psi}^-(W)\bar{\psi}^+(Z), \quad \bar{x}^\pm(Z)\bar{x}^\pm(W) = \bar{g}(Z/W)^{\pm 1}\bar{x}^\pm(W)\bar{x}^\pm(Z), \\
\bar{\psi}^+(Z)\bar{x}^\pm(W) &= \bar{g}(q_3^{\pm c/4}Z/W)^{\pm 1}\bar{x}^\pm(W)\bar{\psi}^+(Z), \quad \bar{\psi}^-(Z)\bar{x}^\pm(W) = \bar{g}(q_3^{\mp c/4}Z/W)^{\pm 1}\bar{x}^\pm(W)\bar{\psi}^-(Z), \\
[\bar{x}^+(Z), \bar{x}^-(W)] &= \kappa \left(\bar{\delta}(q_3^{-c/2}Z/W)\bar{\psi}^+(q_3^{-c/4}Z) - \bar{\delta}(q_3^{c/2}Z/W)\bar{\psi}^-(q_3^{c/4}Z) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

$$q_1 q_2 q_3 = 1$$

$$\kappa = \frac{(1 - q_1)(1 - q_2)}{(1 - q_1 q_2)}, \quad \bar{g}(Z) = \prod_{\alpha=1,2,3} \frac{1 - q_\alpha Z}{1 - q_\alpha^{-1} Z}.$$

Degenerate DIM algebra and representations

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\psi^\pm(z), \psi^\pm(w)] &= 0, \quad \psi^\pm(z)\psi^\mp(w) = \frac{g(z-w-c\varepsilon_+/2)}{g(z-w+c\varepsilon_+/2)}\psi^\mp(w)\psi^\pm(z), \\
 \psi^+(z)x^\pm(w) &= g(z-w\mp c\varepsilon_+/4)^{\pm 1}x^\pm(w)\psi^+(z), \quad \psi^-(z)x^\pm(w) = g(z-w\pm c\varepsilon_+/4)^{\pm 1}x^\pm(w)\psi^-(z), \\
 x^\pm(z)x^\pm(w) &= g(z-w)^{\pm 1}x^\pm(w)x^\pm(z), \\
 [x^+(z), x^-(w)] &= -\frac{\varepsilon_1\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_+} \left[\delta(z-w+c\varepsilon_+/2)\psi^+(z+c\varepsilon_+/4) - \delta(z-w-c\varepsilon_+/2)\psi^-(z-c\varepsilon_+/4) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\varepsilon_+ = -\varepsilon_3 = \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2.$$

$$g(z) = \prod_{\alpha=1,2,3} \frac{z + \varepsilon_\alpha}{z - \varepsilon_\alpha},$$

The coproduct can be seen as a degenerate limit of the Drinfeld coproduct for the DIM algebra,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(x^+(z)) &= x^+(z) \otimes 1 + \psi^-(z - \varepsilon_+ c_{(1)}/4) \otimes x^+(z - \varepsilon_+ c_{(1)}/2), \\ \Delta(x^-(z)) &= 1 \otimes x^-(z) + x^-(z - \varepsilon_+ c_{(2)}/2) \otimes \psi^+(z - \varepsilon_+ c_{(2)}/4), \\ \Delta(\psi^\pm(z)) &= \psi^\pm(z \mp \varepsilon_+ c_{(2)}/4) \otimes \psi^\pm(z \pm \varepsilon_+ c_{(1)}/4),\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta(c) = c_{(1)} + c_{(2)} \text{ with } c_{(1)} = c \otimes 1 \text{ and } c_{(2)} = 1 \otimes c.$$

Horizontal representation

The horizontal representation is built using vertex operators acting on the Fock space of a free boson.

$$[\alpha_n, \alpha_m] = n\delta_{n+m}$$

$$[P, Q] = 1$$

$$\varphi_+(z) = P \log z - \sum_{n>0} \frac{z^{-n}}{n} \alpha_n, \quad \varphi_-(z) = Q + \sum_{n>0} \frac{z^n}{n} \alpha_{-n}$$

$$e^{\varphi_+(z)} e^{\varphi_-(w)} = (z - w) : e^{\varphi_+(z)} e^{\varphi_-(w)} :$$

$$V_{-}(z) = e^{\varphi_{-}(z-\varepsilon_2/2)-\varphi_{-}(z+\varepsilon_2/2)}$$

$$V_{+}(z) = e^{\varphi_{+}(z+\varepsilon_1/2)-\varphi_{+}(z-\varepsilon_1/2)}$$

$$V_{+}(z)V_{-}(w) = S(z-w-\varepsilon_{+}/2)^{-1} : V_{+}(z)V_{-}(w) :,$$

$$S(z) = \frac{(z+\varepsilon_1)(z+\varepsilon_2)}{z(z+\varepsilon_+)}$$

$$\eta^{\pm}(z) = V_{-}(z \pm \varepsilon_{+}/4)^{\pm 1} V_{+}(z \mp \varepsilon_{+}/4)^{\pm 1}, \quad \xi^{\pm}(z) = V_{\pm}(z \mp \varepsilon_{+}/2) V_{\pm}(z \pm \varepsilon_{+}/2)^{-1},$$

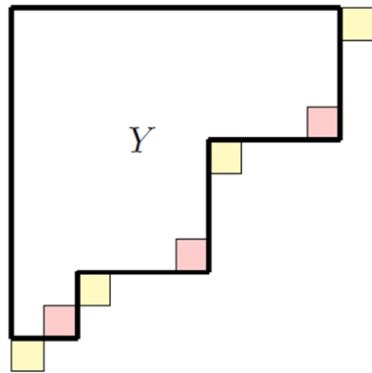
$$\rho_u^{(H)}(x^{\pm}(z)) = u^{\pm 1} \eta^{\pm}(z), \quad \rho_u^{(H)}(\psi^{\pm}(z)) = \xi^{\pm}(z), \quad \rho_u^{(H)}(c) = 1.$$

Vertical representations and SHc algebra

$$\rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)}(x^+(z)) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle = \sum_{x \in A(\vec{\lambda})} \delta(z - \phi_x) \operatorname{Res}_{z=\phi_x} \mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z)^{-1} |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda} + x\rangle,$$

$$\rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)}(x^-(z)) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle = \sum_{x \in R(\vec{\lambda})} \delta(z - \phi_x) \operatorname{Res}_{z=\phi_x} \mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z + \varepsilon_+) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda} - x\rangle,$$

$$\rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)}(\psi^\pm(z)) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle = [\Psi_{\vec{\lambda}}(z)]_\pm |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle.$$



$\in A(Y)$

$\in R(Y)$

$$x = (l, i, j)$$

$$\phi_x = a_l + (i-1)\varepsilon_1 + (j-1)\varepsilon_2$$

$$\Psi_{\vec{\lambda}}(z) = \frac{\mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z + \varepsilon_+)}{\mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z)}, \quad \mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z) = \frac{\prod_{x \in A(\vec{\lambda})} (z - \phi_x)}{\prod_{x \in R(\vec{\lambda})} (z - \varepsilon_+ - \phi_x)}.$$

The connection between the vertical representation and the action of SHc algebra

$$\rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)}(x^\pm(z)) = [X^\pm(z)]_+ - [X^\pm(z)]_- \qquad \psi^\pm(z) = [\Psi(z)]_\pm$$

$$X^+(z) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle\rangle = \sum_{x \in A(\vec{\lambda})} \frac{1}{z - \phi_x} \operatorname{Res}_{z=\phi_x} \mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z)^{-1} |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda} + x\rangle\rangle,$$

$$X^-(z) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle\rangle = \sum_{x \in R(\vec{\lambda})} \frac{1}{z - \phi_x} \operatorname{Res}_{z=\phi_x} \mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z + \varepsilon_+) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda} - x\rangle\rangle,$$

$$\Psi(z) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle\rangle = \Psi_{\vec{\lambda}}(z) |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle\rangle$$

$$X^\pm(z), \Psi(z) \text{ and } \partial_z \Phi(z)$$

identify them with the SHc currents

$$\sqrt{-\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2} D_{\pm 1}(z), E(z) \text{ and } D_0(z)$$

Reconstructing the gauge theories' BPS quantities

Intertwiners

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{u'}^{(H)}(e) \Phi^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] &= \Phi^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \left(\rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)} \otimes \rho_u^{(H)} \Delta(e) \right), \\ \left(\rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)} \otimes \rho_u^{(H)} \Delta'(e) \right) \Phi^{*(m)}[u, \vec{a}] &= \Phi^{*(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \rho_{u'}^{(H)}(e),\end{aligned}$$

the solution can be expanded on the vertical basis, their components are operators acting on the horizontal Fock space:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] &= \sum_{\vec{\lambda}} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{vect.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}) \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \llbracket \vec{a}, \vec{\lambda} \rrbracket, & \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] &= t_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] : \prod_{l=1}^m \Phi_{\emptyset}(a_l) \prod_{x \in \vec{\lambda}} \eta^+(\phi_x) :, \\ \Phi^{*(m)}[u, \vec{a}] &= \sum_{\vec{\lambda}} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{vect.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}) \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{*(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \llbracket \vec{a}, \vec{\lambda} \rrbracket, & \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{*(m)}[u, \vec{a}] &= t_{\vec{\lambda}}^{*(m)}[u, \vec{a}] : \prod_{l=1}^m \Phi_{\emptyset}^*(a_l) \prod_{x \in \vec{\lambda}} \eta^-(\phi_x) :.\end{aligned}$$

Instanton partition functions and qq-characters

For the purpose of illustration, we present here the main results concerning (A1 quiver) pure $U(m)$ gauge theories.

$$\mathcal{T}_{U(m)} = \Phi^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \cdot \Phi^{*(m)}[u^*, \vec{a}] = \sum_{\vec{\lambda}} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{vect.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}) \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \otimes \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{*(m)}[u^*, \vec{a}].$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\text{inst.}}[U(m)] = (\langle \emptyset | \otimes \langle \emptyset |) \mathcal{T}_{U(m)} (|\emptyset\rangle \otimes |\emptyset\rangle) = \sum_{\vec{\lambda}} q^{|\vec{\lambda}|} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{vect.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}),$$

The partition function can also be recovered as a scalar product of Gaiotto states, corresponding here to the vevs of the intertwiners:

$$|G, \vec{a}\rangle\rangle = (1 \otimes \langle \emptyset |) \Phi^{*(m)}[u^*, \vec{a}] |\emptyset\rangle = \sum_{\vec{\lambda}} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{vect.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}) \langle \emptyset | \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{*(m)}[u^*, \vec{a}] |\emptyset\rangle |\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}\rangle\rangle,$$

$$\langle\langle G, \vec{a} | = \langle \emptyset | \Phi^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] (1 \otimes |\emptyset\rangle) = \sum_{\vec{\lambda}} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{vect.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}) \langle \emptyset | \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] |\emptyset\rangle \langle\langle \vec{a}, \vec{\lambda} |,$$

$$\langle \mathcal{T}_{U(m)} \rangle = \langle\langle G, \vec{a} | G, \vec{a} \rangle\rangle.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)}(x^+(z)) |G, \vec{a}\rangle\rangle &= -u^* ([\mathcal{Y}(z + \varepsilon_+)_+ - [\mathcal{Y}(z + \varepsilon_+)]_-) |G, \vec{a}\rangle\rangle, \\ \rho_{\vec{a}}^{(m)}(x^-(z)) |G, \vec{a}\rangle\rangle &= -(u^*)^{-1} ([\mathcal{Y}(z)^{-1}]_+ - [\mathcal{Y}(z)^{-1}]_-) |G, \vec{a}\rangle\rangle,\end{aligned}$$

The fundamental qq-character can be recovered

$$\chi(z) = \mathcal{Z}_{\text{inst.}}[U(m)]^{-1} \sum_{\vec{\lambda}} \mathfrak{q}^{|\vec{\lambda}|} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{vect.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}) \left(\mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z + \varepsilon_+) + \frac{\mathfrak{q}}{\mathcal{Y}_{\vec{\lambda}}(z)} \right).$$

These results can be extended to linear quivers of higher rank.

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}^*}^{*(m^*)}[u^*, \vec{a}^*] &= (-1)^{m|\vec{\lambda}^*|} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{bfd.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}; \vec{a}^*, \vec{\lambda}^* | \varepsilon_+/2) \prod_{l, l^*=1}^{m, m^*} F(a_l - a_{l^*}^* + \varepsilon_+/2) : \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}^*}^{*(m^*)}[u^*, \vec{a}^*] :, \\ \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}^*}^{*(m^*)}[u^*, \vec{a}^*] \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] &= (-1)^{m^*|\vec{\lambda}|} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{bfd.}}(\vec{a}, \vec{\lambda}; \vec{a}^*, \vec{\lambda}^* | \varepsilon_+/2) \prod_{l, l^*=1}^{m, m^*} F(a_{l^*}^* - a_l + \varepsilon_+/2) : \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}}^{(m)}[u, \vec{a}] \Phi_{\vec{\lambda}^*}^{*(m^*)}[u^*, \vec{a}^*] : .\end{aligned}$$

Degenerate limit of Kimura-Pestun's quiver W-algebra

$$f(z-w)T(z)T(w) - f(w-z)T(w)T(z) = -\frac{\varepsilon_1\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_+} (\delta(z-w+\varepsilon_+) - \delta(z-w-\varepsilon_+)),$$

We claim that this algebra is the degenerate version of KP's quiver W-algebra in the case of a single node.

The q-Virasoro algebra is defined in terms of its stress-energy tensor

$$\bar{f}(W/Z)\bar{T}(Z)\bar{T}(W) - \bar{f}(Z/W)\bar{T}(W)\bar{T}(Z) = \frac{(1-q_1)(1-q_2)}{(1-q_1q_2)} (\bar{\delta}(Z/q_3W) - \bar{\delta}(q_3Z/W))$$