

Calogero-Moser systems from associative geometry

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Outline of the talk

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- 2 A quick overview
- 3 The associative affine plane
- 4 Applications to integrable systems

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Baby version: associative-geometric objects act like “blueprints” for an infinite sequence of (commutative-)geometric objects.

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Also, $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$.

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Thus we can interpret $A/[A, A]$ as the (linear!) space of **regular functions** on the associative space determined by A .

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as the linear space of differential forms on A .

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$$[\mathcal{V}^p(A), \mathcal{V}^q(A)] \subseteq \mathcal{V}^{p+q-1}(A)$$

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One also has **bivectors** like $\pi = h_1 \partial_x \partial_x + h_2 \partial_x h_3 \partial_y \in \mathcal{V}^2(A)$ (not the most general one!), which corresponds to

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Linear Poisson bivectors on A are in 1-1 correspondence with associative algebra structures on \mathbb{C}^2 . There are exactly 6 of them:

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Happy birthday Ugo!