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On some questions around Berest's conjecture

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Consider an irreducible polynomial $f(X, Y) \in [X, Y]$. Assume there exists a pair of operators $(P, Q) \in A_1$, where $A_1 = [x][\partial]$ is the first Weyl algebra, such that f(P, Q) = 0 and (P) > 0 or (Q) > 0, where (P) = k if $P = \sum_{i=0}^{k} a_i \partial^i$ with $a_i \neq 0$ (we'll call such a pair *a non-trivial solution* of the equation f = 0).

The group of automorphisms of the first Weyl algebra A_1 acts on the set of solutions of the equation f(X, Y) = 0, i.e. if $P, Q \in A_1$ satisfy the equation and $\varphi \in Aut(A_1)$, then $\varphi(P), \varphi(Q)$ also satisfy the equation. A natural and important problem is to describe the orbit space of the group action of $Aut(A_1)$ in the set of solutions.

Y. Berest, cf. [6], proposed the following interesting conjecture:

If the Riemann surface corresponding to the equation f = 0 has genus g = 1 then the orbit space is infinite, and if g > 1 then there are only finite number of orbits.

This conjecture was first studied in the work [6], where its connection with the well known open conjecture of Dixmier was announced. Recall that the Dixmier conjecture (formulated in his seminal work [2]) claims that any non-zero endomorphism of A_1 is actually an automorphism.

The Berest conjecture was studied in several papers: in [6] and [7] (cf. also [5]), in [1] and in [3].

In this talk we present two conclusions around Berest's conjecture:

Теорема 1. Let $f \in K[X,Y]$, $f(X,Y) = \sum_{i+j < N} c_{ij} X^i Y^j$ be a non-zero polynomial. Assume that $f(P,Q) = \sum c_{ij} P^i Q^j = 0$ where $P, Q \in A_1$. Then [P,Q] = 0.

The main result is the following theorem

Teopema 2. Assume there exists a non-zero $f(X, Y) \in K[X, Y]$, which has a non-trivial solution $(P, Q) \in A_1^2$, and the number of orbits of its solutions in A_1^2 is finite. Then the Dixmier conjecture holds, i.e $\forall \varphi \in End(A_1) - \{0\}, \varphi$ is an automorphism.

The talk is based on the joint work [4] with A.B. Zheglov.

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