## AN ALGEBRA ON PROJECTIVE GEOMETRY AND THE QUANTUM AFFINE ALGEBRA $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_2)$

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Let P be the set of all subspaces of a finite-dimensional vector space over a finite field. We introduce a certain two-parameter partition  $P_{i,j}$  of P with respect to a fixed subspace. In this talk, we consider the complex matrix algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  with rows/columns indexed by P generated by the certain diagonal matrices  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$ , the raising matrices  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and the lowering matrices  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$  with respect to the partition  $P_{i,j}$ . Then we will show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is a homomorphic image of the quantum affine algebra  $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_2)$  and we will describe the irreducible modules for  $\mathcal{T}$  as modules for  $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_2)$ .

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