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Reviewer’s Report

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• Brief evaluation of the thesis quality and overall structure of the dissertation.
• The relevance of the topic of dissertation work to its actual content
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• The relevance of the obtained results to applications (if applicable)
• The quality of publications

The summary of issues to be addressed before/during the thesis defense
In his PhD thesis Ivan Sechin obtained important results in the theory of classical and quantum integrable systems and in particular at the interface with algebraic structures such as the associative Yang–Baxter equation.

The thesis contains four chapters. The first one is the brief introduction, summarizing the content of the dissertation and the main results obtained. The second one introduces the family of generalized interacting integrable tops — systems which generalize both integrable tops and integrable Calogero–Moser systems. The construction of Lax pair and classical r-matrix structure of these systems is based on the quantum R-matrices satisfying the quadratic algebraic identities mentioned above, it is shown that every solution of Associative Yang–Baxter Equation (which is unitary and skew-symmetric) defines a new integrable system. In the third chapter these results are extended to the relativistic level, in this chapter systems generalizing both relativistic integrable tops and integrable Ruijsenaars–Schneider systems are constructed. Lax pairs for such systems is introduced, however. The fourth chapter is devoted to the quantization of such generalized interacting tops. The quantum dynamical algebra related to these quantum the interacting tops and the classical r-matrix structure are obtained. In the special elliptic case, the quadratic algebra based on the RLL-relations is constructed, this quantum algebra generalizes both the Sklyanin algebra and the elliptic quantum group.

The methodology of this dissertation is based on careful analysis of solutions to various Yang-Baxter equations. Algebraic relations on the quantum R-matrices are considered as the non-commutative versions of the Fay identity — the quadratic relation, which provides commuting family of integrals for the classical integrable systems in questions because they provide the Lax pairs. One can say that in this approach quantum R-matrices are considered as the building blocks of Lax operators for the purely classical systems. These methods allow to construct a wide class of new integrable systems, generalizing both known integrable systems of interacting particles and integrable top systems. The methods work not only for the Lax pairs, and the new classical and quantum R-matrix structures are also constructed.

One point that I did not quite understand from the thesis is to which extend Liouville integrability (or superintegrability) of these systems is proven.

The thesis is based on three publications in Russian and international journals, including the best mathematical physics journal in Russia (TMPh) and Q1 journal (JHEP).

This these is a work of very high quality, based on significant scientific results and on solid publications.

**Provisional Recommendation**

*I recommend that the candidate should defend the thesis by means of a formal thesis defense*