

Algebraic groups and all in characteristic p .

o) Reminder

\mathbb{F} char p field, G alg. group/ \mathbb{F}

$\leadsto \mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G)$, $\mathcal{U} := \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})$

Last time, we introduced the p (th power) map

$x \mapsto x^{[p]}: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ w. following properties:

i) - defining property: under identification $\mathfrak{g} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Vect}(G)^G$ ($\text{Vect}(G) = \mathcal{D}_G$ in Jay's notation), $x^{[p]} = x^p$ as map $\mathbb{F}[G] \rightarrow \mathbb{F}[G]$.

ii) - functoriality: if $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ is alg. group homomorphism & $\varphi := d_1 \varphi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$, then $\varphi(x)^{[p]} = \varphi(x^{[p]})$

Exercise: for $G = GL_n$, have $x^{[p]} = x^p$ as a matrix.

iii) \Leftarrow ii) & Exercise: for $G \subset GL_n$, $x^{[p]} = x^p$ as a matrix.

iv) $\dots \dots \dots$: $\text{ad}(x^{[p]}) = \text{ad}(x)^p$

v) easy: $(ax)^{[p]} = a^p x^{[p]} \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{F}$

Fact: in the free algebra $\mathbb{F}\langle x, y \rangle$, the element $(x+y)^p - x^p - y^p$ is a Lie polynomial in x, y . Denote it by $L(x, y)$.

vi) \Leftarrow Fact: $(x+y)^{[p]} = x^{[p]} + y^{[p]} + L(x, y)$.

Definition: A p -Lie algebra over \mathbb{F} is a Lie algebra together w. a p -map $\cdot^{[p]}$ satisfying properties (iv) - (vi)

Example: An associative algebra A together w. $a^{[p]} := a^p$ is a p -Lie algebra.

1) Center & central reductions of $U(\mathfrak{g})$.

Consider $\iota: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow U$, $\iota(x) = x^p - x^{[p]}$

filtration $\deg p$ \uparrow $\deg 1$ \uparrow

Exercise: Use (iv) & (vi) to show that:

$\iota(x)$ is central

$$\iota(x+y) = \iota(x) + \iota(y).$$

+ ι is semilinear: $\iota(ax) = a^p \iota(x)$. Assume from now on:

\mathbb{F} is perfect. Can twist \mathbb{F} -mult'n on \mathfrak{g} by autom $a \mapsto a^{1/p}$ of \mathbb{F} , so ι becomes \mathbb{F} -linear. Resulting space is denoted by $\mathfrak{g}^{(1)}$ (Frobenius twist).

So have \mathbb{F} -linear $\iota: \mathfrak{g}^{(n)} \longrightarrow \text{center of } U$
 $\searrow \quad \nearrow$
 $S(\mathfrak{g}^{(n)})$

Exercise (on PBW): ι is injective & makes U into free $S(\mathfrak{g}^{(n)})$ -module w. basis $x_1^{d_1} \dots x_n^{d_n}$ w. $d_i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}$ (here x_1, \dots, x_n is a basis in \mathfrak{g}).

Def'n: $\iota(S(\mathfrak{g}^{(n)}))$ is called the p -center.

Restricted universal enveloping:

$$U^o(\mathfrak{g}) = U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g}^{(n)})} \mathbb{F} = U(\mathfrak{g}) / (x^p - x^{[p]} | x \in \mathfrak{g}).$$

basis: $x_1^{d_1} \dots x_n^{d_n}$, $d_i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}$. \uparrow $S(\mathfrak{g}^{(n)})$ -module on \mathbb{F} w. $\mathfrak{g}^{(n)*} \curvearrowright$ by α .

Universal property: If A is assoc. algebra (hence p -Lie algebra), then any p -Lie algebra homom. $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow A$ uniquely factors

through assoc. alg. homom'm $U^0(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow A$.

Remark*: Full center: $G \curvearrowright U \rightsquigarrow$ subalgebra $U^G \subset U^{\mathfrak{g}}$, which is the center. U^G is called Harish-Chandra center $U^G \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{F}[\mathfrak{h}^*]^{(W, \cdot)}$. Under modest restrictions on p & on G have Veldkamp's thm:

$$\text{center of } U \xleftarrow{\sim} U^G \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g}^{(n)})^G} S(\mathfrak{g}^{(n)})$$

2) Distribution algebra.

Motivation for why we care: care about rat'l rep's of G
Have forgetful functor $\text{Rat}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}(G) \longrightarrow U(\mathfrak{g})\text{-mod}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}$
fin. dim. rational reps

But over \mathbb{F} (alg. closed char p field) this functor is far from equivalence. It's neither essentially surjective (one can show we land in $U^0(\mathfrak{g})\text{-mod}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}$) nor full:

e.g.: $G = \mathbb{G}_m$, rep'n $V \cong \mathbb{F}$, $t.v = t^p v$, the corresp'g \mathfrak{g} -module is trivial.

Goal: replace $U(\mathfrak{g})$ w. a diff't algebra, $\text{Dist}(G)$, w. "forgetful" functor $\text{Rat}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}(G) \rightarrow \text{Dist}(G)\text{-mod}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}$ which is "closer" to being an equivalence. In fact, $U^0(\mathfrak{g}) \hookrightarrow \text{Dist}(G)$ & the functor $\text{Rat}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}(G) \rightarrow \text{Dist}(G)\text{-mod}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}$ lifts $\text{Rat}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}(G) \rightarrow U^0(\mathfrak{g})\text{-mod}_{\mathfrak{p}_d}$.

2.1) Definition of $\text{Dist}(G)$

Setting: R comm'ive Noetherian ring, G affine group scheme over R (i.e. $R[G]$ is fin. gen'd comm'ive Hopf algebra)

$$\mathfrak{m} = \ker \varepsilon_G = \{f \in R[G] \mid f(1) = 0\}$$

$$V \in R\text{-Mod} \rightsquigarrow V^* = \text{Hom}_R(V, R)$$

(care about $R = \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{F}$).

Assume $R[G]$ is free over R .

$R[G]^*$ is assoc. algebra w.r.t. Δ^* , where $\Delta: R[G] \rightarrow R[G] \otimes R[G]$.

Definition: 1) For $n \geq 0$, define $\text{Dist}_{\leq n}(G)$ as $(R[G]/\mathfrak{m}^n)^* \subset R[G]^*$, the modules of distributions of order $\leq n$.

Note $\text{Dist}_{\leq n}(G) \subset \text{Dist}_{\leq n+1}(G)$

2) $\text{Dist}(G) := \bigcup_n \text{Dist}_{\leq n}(G)$.

Claim: $\text{Dist}(G)$ is a Hopf algebra.

Exercise: $\text{Dist}(G) \subset R[G]^*$ is a subalgebra.

Coproduct on $\text{Dist}(G)$: mult'n $\mu: R[G] \otimes R[G] \rightarrow R[G] \rightsquigarrow$
 $\mu: R[G]/\mathfrak{m}^n \otimes R[G]/\mathfrak{m}^n \rightarrow R[G]/\mathfrak{m}^n \rightsquigarrow$
 $\mu^*: \text{Dist}_{\leq n}(G) \rightarrow \text{Dist}_{\leq n}(G) \otimes \text{Dist}_{\leq n}(G)$
 \rightsquigarrow coproduct $\text{Dist}(G) \rightarrow \text{Dist}(G) \otimes \text{Dist}(G)$

Exercise: Define antipode on $\text{Dist}(G)$ and show it's a Hopf algebra

Exercise: (functoriality) $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ alg. grp homom'm
 $\leadsto \varphi^*: K[H] \rightarrow K[G] \leadsto \varphi_*: \text{Dist}(G) \rightarrow \text{Dist}(H)$ is a
 Hopf algebra homom'm

Exercise: (base change) if K' is K -algebra, then
 $\text{Dist}(G_{K'}) = K' \otimes_K \text{Dist}(G_K)$

Connection between $U(\mathfrak{g})$ & $\text{Dist}(G)$

$U(\mathfrak{g}) =$ left invariant differential operators on G
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 $\text{End}_K(K[G])$

Define a map $U(\mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\eta} K[G]^*$, $a \in U(\mathfrak{g}) \leadsto$
 $[\eta(a)](f) = (a \cdot f)(1)$, $\text{im } \eta \subset \text{Dist}(G)$ & $\eta: U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \text{Dist}(G)$
 respects filtrations. Moreover, η is alg. homom'm.

Facts: • if K is char 0 field, then $\eta: U(\mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Dist}(G)$.
 • if K is char p field, then η factors through
 $U^0(\mathfrak{g}) \hookrightarrow \text{Dist}(G)$

2.2) 1-dimensional examples.

• $G = \mathbb{G}_a$, $K[G] = K[t]$, $\Delta(t) = t \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes t$, $\mathfrak{m} = (t)$

For $r \geq 0 \leadsto \chi_r \in K[G]^*$: $\chi_r(t^n) = \delta_{r,n}$ so $\chi_r \in \text{Dist}_{\mathfrak{m}^r}(G)$

So $\chi_0, \chi_1, \dots, \chi_r, \dots$ form a basis in $\text{Dist}(G)$

$$\chi_r * \chi_s(t^n) = \chi_r \otimes \chi_s(\Delta(t^n)) = \chi_r \otimes \chi_s\left(\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} t^i \otimes t^{n-i}\right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \binom{n}{r}, & \text{if } n=r+s \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

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$$\text{so } \gamma_r * \gamma_s = \binom{r+s}{s} \gamma_{r+s} \Rightarrow \gamma_n^n = n! \gamma_n$$

$$\text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Z}}) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Z}} \left(\frac{\gamma_i^i}{i!} \mid i \geq 0 \right) \subset \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\gamma_i^i) = \text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Q}}).$$

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infinitely generated.

• $G = G_m, \mathcal{K}[G] = \mathcal{K}[t^{\pm 1}], \mathfrak{M} = (t-1), \Delta(t) = t \otimes t$

Define $\beta_r \in \mathcal{K}[G]^*$ by $\beta_r((t-1)^n) = \delta_{n,r}$

$\beta_i, i \geq 0$, form \mathcal{K} -basis in $\text{Dist}(G)$

$$\beta_r(t^n) = \binom{n}{r}$$

Exercise: $\forall n \Rightarrow n! \beta_n = \beta_1(\beta_1 - 1) \dots (\beta_1 - (n-1))$ so $\beta_n = \binom{\beta_1}{n}$

So $\text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Z}}) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Z}} \left(\binom{\beta_1}{i} \mid i \geq 0 \right) \subset \mathbb{Q}[\beta_1] = \text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Q}}).$

2.3) $\text{Dist}(G)$ for s/simple G .

Assume also G is simply connected, want $\text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Z}}) \subset \text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Q}}) = \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{Q}}).$

Notation: $\Pi \subset \mathcal{P}_+$ simple & positive roots

$N^{\pm}, T, N \subset G$, max. unipotents & max. torus

$$\alpha \in \mathcal{P}_+ \rightsquigarrow G_a^{\pm \alpha} \hookrightarrow N^{\pm}, \beta \in \Pi \rightsquigarrow G_m^{\beta} \hookrightarrow T$$

$$T = \prod_{\beta \in \Pi} G_m^{\beta} \text{ as an alg. group, } N^{\pm} = \prod_{\alpha \in \mathcal{P}_+} G_a^{\pm \alpha} \text{ as a scheme.}$$

Open Bruhat cell

$$\prod_{\alpha \in \mathcal{P}_+} G_a^{-\alpha} \times \prod_{\beta \in \Pi} G_m^{\beta} \times \prod_{\alpha \in \mathcal{P}_+} G_a^{\alpha} \quad \xleftarrow{\sim} \quad N^- \times T \times N \subset G \quad (*)$$

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contains 1.

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G_a^{+\alpha} \hookrightarrow G \rightsquigarrow \text{Dist}_{\mathbb{U}}(G_{a, \mathbb{Z}}^{+\alpha}) \hookrightarrow \text{Dist}_{\mathbb{U}}(G_{\mathbb{Z}}) \\
 \chi_{\pm\alpha} \longmapsto e_{\pm\alpha} \\
 G_m^{\beta} \hookrightarrow G \rightsquigarrow \text{Dist}_{\mathbb{U}}(G_{m, \mathbb{Z}}^{\beta}) \hookrightarrow \text{Dist}_{\mathbb{U}}(G_{\mathbb{Z}}) \\
 \beta_{\pm} \longmapsto \beta^{\vee}
 \end{array}$$

(*) \rightsquigarrow tensor product (over \mathbb{Z}) decomp'n of $\text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Z}}) \rightsquigarrow$

Theorem: $\text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{Z}}) \subset \mathcal{U}(\sigma_{\mathbb{Q}})$ has following additive basis:

some order
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$$\prod_{\alpha \in \mathcal{P}_+} \frac{e_{-\alpha}^{R_{\alpha}}}{R_{\alpha}!} \prod_{\beta \in \Pi} \binom{\beta}{m_{\beta}} \prod_{\alpha \in \mathcal{P}_+} \frac{e_{\alpha}^{n_{\alpha}}}{n_{\alpha}!}$$

where $R_{\alpha}, n_{\alpha}, m_{\beta} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

Notation: $e_{\alpha}^{(n)} = \frac{e_{\alpha}^n}{n!}$ (divided power)

3) Frobenius.

3.1) Frobenius homomorphism: \mathbb{F} perfect char p field,

A fin. gen'd comm'ive \mathbb{F} -algebra $\rightsquigarrow X = \text{Spec}(A)$

Basic observation: $f \mapsto f^p: A \rightarrow A$, ring endomorphism. Can

make it \mathbb{F} -linear if we twist \mathbb{F} -mult'n on source by $a \mapsto a^{1/p}$ ($a \in \mathbb{F}$). Denote resulting algebra by $A^{(1)}$. So

$f \mapsto f^p: A^{(1)} \rightarrow A$ is an \mathbb{F} -algebra homomorphism.

$\longleftrightarrow \text{Fr}: X \rightarrow X^{(1)}$ ($\text{Fr}^*(f) = f^p$)

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Exercise: if A is defined over \mathbb{F}_p , then $A^{(n)} \xrightarrow{\sim} A$ isom'c as \mathbb{F} -algebras.

Suppose A is Hopf algebra. Then $f \mapsto f^p$ is Hopf algebra homom'm. Let $G = \text{Spec}(A)$ -alg'c group. Then

$\text{Fr}: G \rightarrow G^{(n)}$ is an alg. group homom'm.

Example: $G = \text{GL}_n \Rightarrow G^{(n)} = \text{GL}_n$; $\text{Fr}: \text{GL}_n \rightarrow \text{GL}_n$

$$\text{Fr}((a_{ij})) = (a_{ij}^p).$$

3.2) Fr vs distribution algebra.

$$\text{Fr}: G \rightarrow G^{(n)} \rightsquigarrow \text{Fr}_*: \text{Dist}(G) \rightarrow \text{Dist}(G^{(n)})$$

Example 1: $G = G_a (= G^{(n)})$, $\text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{F}}) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{F}}(\gamma_i)$,

$$\text{w. } \gamma_i(t^n) = \delta_{i,n}$$

$$[\text{Fr}_*(\gamma_i)](t^n) = \gamma_i(\text{Fr}^*(t^n)) = \gamma_i(t^{np}) \text{ so}$$

$$\text{Fr}_*(\gamma_i) = \begin{cases} \gamma_{i/p}, & \text{if } i \text{ divisible by } p \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Example 2: $G = G_m (= G^{(n)})$ $\text{Dist}(G_{\mathbb{F}}) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{F}}(\beta_i)$ w

$$\beta_i((t-1)^n) = \delta_{i,n}$$

$$\text{Then } \text{Fr}_*(\beta_i) = \begin{cases} \beta_{i/p} & \text{if } i \text{ is divisible by } p \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Example 3: G is semisimple & simply connected

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G_a^\alpha & \hookrightarrow & G \\
 \text{Fr} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{Fr} \\
 G_a^{\alpha^{(n)}} & \hookrightarrow & G^{(n)} \\
 \text{SI} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{SI} \\
 G_a^\alpha & & G
 \end{array}
 \rightsquigarrow
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Dist}(G_a^\alpha) & \longrightarrow & \text{Dist}(G) \\
 \downarrow \text{Fr}_* & & \downarrow \text{Fr}_* \\
 \text{Dist}(G_a^{\alpha^{(n)}}) & \longrightarrow & \text{Dist}(G^{(n)})
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So } & \text{Fr}_* \left(\prod_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}_+} e_{-\alpha}^{(k_\alpha)} \prod_{\beta \in \Pi} \binom{\beta^\vee}{m_\beta} \prod_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}_+} e_\alpha^{(n_\alpha)} \right) \\
 & = \begin{cases} \prod_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}_+} e_{-\alpha}^{(k_\alpha/p)} \prod_{\beta \in \Pi} \binom{\beta^\vee}{m_\beta/p} \prod_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}_+} e_\alpha^{(n_\alpha/p)} & \text{if } p \text{ divides all } k_\alpha, m_\beta, n_\alpha \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$