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Title: Category  $\mathcal{O}$  of affine Lie algebra.

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Goal: Define category  $\mathcal{O}$  for  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k$   
and the duality functor  
( $\mathcal{O}^p \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{O}$ ).

Main Ref:

§ Setup:

- $\mathfrak{g}$ : simple Lie algebra ( $\mathbb{C}$ ).
- $G$ : (real) simply connected Lie group.
- $\kappa$ : a bilinear invariant form on  $\mathfrak{g}$ .
- $\kappa_{\text{int}}$ :  $(\frac{-1}{2}) \cdot \kappa_{\text{Killing}}$ .
- $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k$ :

As vect space,  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k \simeq \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathbb{C}((t)) \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot c$

Lie bracket:  $[\phi \cdot x, \sigma \cdot x']$   
 $:= \phi \sigma [x, x'] + \underset{t=0}{[\text{Res } \sigma d\phi]} \cdot c$   
(central on  $c$ )

RMK  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k^+ = \mathfrak{g}[[t]] \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot c$   
Lie subalg of  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k$ .

RMK All reps discussed today  
are of level  $k$ , i.e.,  $c$   
acts as 1.

•  $KL_X$  (the category of Kazhdan-Lusztig modules)<sup>p2</sup>

Def: the full subcategory of  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_K$ -modules  
s.t.  $(V \in \text{obj } KL_X)$

← "exercise"  $KL_X$  is abelian.

(and

1)  $t\mathfrak{g}[[t]]$  acts loc. nilp on  $V$

2)  $(\mathfrak{g} \curvearrowright V)$  integrates to  $(G \curvearrowright V)$ )

← RMK this means  $\forall v \in V$   
 $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $t^n v = 0$ .

$\forall tX_1, tX_2, \dots, tX_n,$   
 $\left(\prod_{i=1}^n (tX_i)\right) v = 0.$

• V(N)

1)  $Q_N := \langle g_1 \dots g_N \mid g_i \in t\mathfrak{g}[[t]] \rangle_{\mathbb{C}} \subset U(\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_K)$

2) let  $V: \hat{\mathfrak{g}}_K$ -module.

$V(N) := \{v \in V \mid Q_N v = 0\}$

← RMK By the assumption that  $t\mathfrak{g}[[t]]$  acts nilp,  
 $V = \bigcup_{N \in \mathbb{N}} V(N)$  if  $V \in KL_X$ .

• Further Assumptions

1)  $K \neq K_{\text{crit}}$

2)  $\left(\frac{K}{K_{\text{Killing}}} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \notin \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$

← only for prop 1(b) !

## §<sup>2</sup> Structure of Generalized Weyl modules.

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Define (Sugawara operator)

$$L_0 := \sum_{j>0} \sum_p (t^{-j} c_p)(t^j c_p) + \underbrace{\sum_p c_p c_p}_{\text{Casimir}}$$

where  $\{c_p | p\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $\mathfrak{g}$  with respect to  $-\alpha(K - K_{\text{int}})$ .

Fact (Basic Rep Theory)

$$[L_0, t^n x] = n t^n x \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \forall x \in \mathfrak{g}$$

Define ((Generalized) Weyl modules).

$$1.) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M^k := \text{Ind}_{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k^+}^{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k} (M) \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} M: \text{a finite dim'l } \mathfrak{G}(\mathbb{C})\text{-rep} \\ \text{Extended to } \hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k^+\text{-mod} \\ \text{by letting } c \text{ acts as } 1 \end{array} \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

↪ the set of generalized Weyl modules.

2) A Weyl module is a generalized Weyl module s.t.  $M$  is extended trivially from a fin dim'l  $\mathfrak{G}$ -irrep.

← RMK. the objects of  $\text{Cat } \mathcal{O}$  can be defined by quotients of Gen. Weyl modules. (coming later)

← i.e.  $t\mathfrak{G}(t)$  acts as 0.

Prop 1. Any Gen. Weyl mod has a finite filtration  
w/ quotients being Weyl mods.

pf ← Prop 1(a) in the main ref.

(proof)

• Let  $V$  be a gen. Weyl module w/  $M$  the finite dim'l  $G[t]$ -mod s.t.  $V = M^{\kappa}$ .

• Define  $M = M_0 \supset M_1 \supset \dots \supset M_l = 0$

←  $l < \infty$  since  $\dim M < \infty$ .

where  $M_{i+1} = tG[t]M_i$ .

← recall  $tG[t]$  acts nilp.

• Thus  $tG[t]$  acts trivially on  $M_i/M_{i+1}$ ,  
so  $\mathfrak{g}$  (thus  $G$ ) acts on  $M_i/M_{i+1}$ .

• Break the  $G$ -mod  $M_i/M_{i+1}$  down to  $G$ -irreps,  
giving a refinement of filtration

$$M = M_0 \supset M_{01} \supset M_{02} \supset \dots \supset M_l = 0$$

w/ each subquot being a  $G$ -irrep.

← (each  $G$ -irrep is automatically a  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k^+$  rep by letting  $tG[t] \oplus \mathfrak{c}$  act trivially.)

• Induce it by  $\text{Ind}_{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k^+}^{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k}$ , we get a finite filtration of Weyl modules.

← since  $\text{Ind}_{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k^+}^{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k}$  is exact... (by  $\Delta$ -decomp)

□ for prop 1.

Prop<sup>2</sup>. For a gen. Weyl mod  $V$ , the action of  $L_0$  induces a decomp into a countable direct sum of finite dim'l generalized eigenspaces.

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← main ref prop 1.d.

←  $\{v \mid (L_0 - \lambda I)^n v = 0 \text{ for some } n\}$

(Proof). By prop 1, it's enough to assume  $V$  is a Weyl module  $V_\lambda^k$ .

• In fact, we will show that  $V_\lambda^k$  splits into a direct sum of (ordinary)  $L_0$ -eigenspaces.

• Let  $v \in V_\lambda^k$ . By def,  $t\mathfrak{g}[t]$  acts trivially on  $V_\lambda$ , so  $L(v) = \Omega(v) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{k \cdot}{k \cdot k_{\text{crit}}} (\lambda, \lambda + 2\rho)}_{P_\lambda(\lambda)''} v$

• By the basic fact that  $[L_0, t^n x] = n t^n x$  and direct computation,

$$(t^{-a_1} x_1) \dots (t^{-a_n} x_n) v$$

is a  $L_0$ -eigenvector w/ eigenvalue being

$$P_\lambda(\lambda) - (a_1 + \dots + a_n)$$

• Recall that  $V_\lambda^k := \text{Ind}_{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k^+}^{\hat{\mathfrak{g}}_k} V_\lambda$ , so

$$V_\lambda^k = \text{span} \left\{ (t^{-a_1} x_1) \dots (t^{-a_n} x_n) v \mid \begin{array}{l} x_i \in \mathfrak{g} \\ a_i \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0} \end{array} \right\}$$

and hence we're done.

□ for Prop<sup>2</sup>.