

## Quantized symplectic singularities & applications to Lie theory, Lec 4.

- 1) Quantizations of  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$
- 2) Harish-Chandra bimodules.
- 3) Complements.

### 1.0) Recap.

Let  $G$  be a semisimple algebraic group,  $\mathfrak{g}$  its Lie algebra,  $\mathcal{O}$  a nilpotent orbit in  $\mathfrak{g}$  &  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  a  $G$ -equivariant cover of  $\mathcal{O}$ . Let  $A := \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ ,  $X = \text{Spec } A$ . In Section 3 of Lec 2, we have stated that the filtered quantizations are classified by the points of  $\mathfrak{h}_X/W_X$ , where  $\mathfrak{h}_X$  is a finite dimensional vector space and  $W_X$  is a crystallographic reflection group. We have explained how to compute  $\mathfrak{h}_X$ :  $\mathfrak{h}_X = H^2(Y^{\text{reg}}, \mathbb{C})$ , where  $Y$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial terminalization of  $X$ , Section 1.2 of Lec 3. According to Sec 2 of Lec 3,  $Y$  has the following form. Pick a Levi subgroup  $L \subset G$ , and an  $L$ -equivariant cover  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L$  of a nilpotent orbit in  $\mathfrak{l}^*$ . Suppose  $X_L := \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L]$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial terminal.

Let  $P$  be a parabolic subgroup of  $G$  w. Levi  $L$ . Consider the Hamiltonian action of  $P$  on  $T^*G \times X_L$ ,  $p(g, \alpha, x) = (gp^{-1}, p\alpha, px)$ . The moment map is  $\mu: T^*G \times X_L \rightarrow \mathfrak{p}^*$ ,  $(g, \alpha, x) \mapsto -\alpha|_{\mathfrak{p}} + \mu_L(x)$ . Then  $Y = \mu^{-1}(0)/P \simeq G \times^P (X_L \times (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{p})^*)$ . This is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial terminalization of  $X = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ , where  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \subset Y$  is the open  $G$ -orbit,

(depending only on  $L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L$ ). We have  $\mathfrak{h}_X = H^2(Y^{\text{reg}}, \mathbb{C}) = (L/[L, L])^*$

An important remark is in order. As was discussed in Sec 1 of Lec 2,  $\mathbb{C}^\times \curvearrowright X_2$  rescaling the Poisson bracket by  $t \mapsto t^{-d}$  for some  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . Consider the action of  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  on  $T^*G \times X_2$  by  $t \cdot (g, \alpha, x) = (g, t^{-d}\alpha, t \cdot x)$ . It descends to  $Y = \mu^{-1}(0)/P$  & rescales  $\{, \}$  on  $\mathcal{O}_Y$  by  $t \mapsto t^{-d}$ .

### 1.1) Quantization of $Y$ .

Let  $\eta: Y = G \times^P (X_2 \times (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{p})^*) \longrightarrow G/P$  denote the projection, it's  $\mathbb{C}^\times$ -invariant. So  $\eta_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  becomes the sheaf of (positively) graded Poisson algebras on  $G/P$ . We can talk about its filtered quantizations: quasicoherent sheaves  $\mathcal{D}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ -modules equipped w.

- an associative  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra structure,
- a filtration  $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} \mathcal{D}_{\leq i}$  by  $\mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ -submodules satisfying  $[\mathcal{D}_{\leq i}, \mathcal{D}_{\leq j}] \subset \mathcal{D}_{\leq i+j-d} \sim \{, \}$  on  $\text{gr } \mathcal{D}$
- and an  $\mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ -linear isomorphism  $\text{gr } \mathcal{D} \xrightarrow{\sim} \eta_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  of graded Poisson algebras.

Goal: for  $\lambda \in (\mathfrak{k}/[\mathfrak{k}, \mathfrak{k}])^*$  produce a filtered quantization  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  of  $\eta_* \mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ .

For this we "quantize" the construction of  $Y$ .

- As was mentioned in Sec 2 of Lec 3,  $H^2(X_2, \mathbb{C}) = \{0\}$ .

So by Theorem in Sec 3 of Lec 2,  $\mathbb{C}[X_2]$  admits a unique filtered quantization, to be denoted by  $\mathcal{A}_2$ . A quantum

counterpart of  $\mathbb{C}[T^*G] \otimes \mathbb{C}[X_2]$  is  $\mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_2$ .

• We have the classical comoment map

$$\varphi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[T^*G] \otimes \mathbb{C}[X_2]$$

$\varphi(\xi) = -\xi_r \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \varphi_2(\xi)$ , where  $\xi_r$  is the left-invariant vector field on  $G$  corresponding to  $\xi$  (and viewed as a fiber-wise linear function on  $T^*G$ ), and  $\varphi_2: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[X_2]$  is the comoment map dual to  $X_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{l}^* \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$ . Note that  $\varphi(\xi)$  is a homogeneous deg  $d$  element.

We need a quantum counterpart of  $\varphi$ .

**Definition:** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an associative algebra w. a rational action of an algebraic group  $R$  by algebra automorphisms. By a **quantum comoment map** for this action we mean an  $R$ -equivariant linear map  $\mathcal{Q}: \mathfrak{k} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  s.t.  $[\mathcal{Q}(\xi), \cdot] = \xi_{\mathcal{A}} \forall \xi \in \mathfrak{k}$ .

**Example:**  $\xi \mapsto -\xi_r$  (resp.  $\xi \mapsto \xi_e$ ):  $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(G)$  is a quantum comoment map for  $G \curvearrowright \mathcal{D}(G)$  induced by  $G \curvearrowright G$  from the right (resp. left).

**Exercise 1:** Assume  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_2$  is an arbitrary  $L$ -equivariant cover of a nilpotent  $L$ -orbit. Show that  $\varphi_2: \mathfrak{l} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[X_2]_d$  lifts to a Lie algebra homomorphism  $\mathcal{Q}_2: \mathfrak{l} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{2, \leq d}$  (meaning that  $\mathcal{Q}_2 \bmod \mathcal{A}_{2, \leq d-1} = \varphi$ ). Moreover,  $\exists!$  lift that vanishes on  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{l})$ . Finally,  $L$  acts on  $\mathcal{A}_2$  by filtered algebra homomorphisms so that  $\mathcal{Q}_2$  is a quantum comoment map.

Take this lift and inflate it to  $\mathcal{Q}_2: \beta \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2$ .

Now we are ready to define  $\mathcal{Q}_\lambda: \beta \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_2$  for  $\lambda \in (\mathcal{L}/[\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}])^*$ . Let  $\rho_{G/P}$  denote  $\frac{1}{2}$  (the character of  $\mathcal{L}$  in  $\Lambda^{\text{top}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{p})$ ). We can view  $\lambda, \rho_{G/P}$  as characters of  $\beta$  via  $\beta \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ . Set

$$\mathcal{Q}_\lambda(\xi) = -\xi_r \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \mathcal{Q}_2(\xi) - \langle \lambda - \rho_{G/P}, \xi \rangle.$$

This a quantum comoment map.

• To get a quantization of  $Y$  we perform the quantum Hamiltonian reduction.

**Exercise 2:** Let  $R, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{Q}$  have the same meaning as in the definition above. Show that  $[\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}(r)]^R$  has a unique associative algebra structure s.t.

$$(a + \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}(r)) \cdot (b + \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}(r)) = ab + \mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}(r)$$

This algebra is known as the **quantum Hamiltonian reduction**.

**Remark:** Note that if  $\mathcal{A}$  is filtered w.  $\deg[\cdot, \cdot] \leq -d$  ( $[\mathcal{A}_{\leq i}, \mathcal{A}_{\leq j}] \subset \mathcal{A}_{\leq i+j-d} + \mathcal{V}_{ij}$ ) &  $\text{im } \mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{A}_{\leq d}$ , then  $[\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}(r)]^R$  inherits a filtration from  $\mathcal{A}$  &  $\deg[\cdot, \cdot] \leq -d$ .

Apply this to our situation. Let  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_2$ , we can view it as a  $P$ -equivariant quasicoherent sheaf on  $G$ . So is  $\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}_\lambda(\beta)$ . Recall the projection  $\omega: G \rightarrow G/P$  and set

$$\mathcal{D}_\lambda := [\omega_* (\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{A}\mathcal{Q}_\lambda(\beta))]^P$$



Using the important exercise we equip  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  (sheaf of) algebra structure. It is filtered by Remark after the exercise. We will elaborate on this and a proof of the fact below in the complement section.

**Fact:**  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  is a filtered quantization of  $\eta_* \mathcal{O}_Y$ .

**Example:** Let  $X=N$ ,  $Y=T^*(G/B)$  (so  $L=T$ ,  $P=B$ ,  $X_2=\{0\}$ ). In this case  $\rho_{G/B}$  is the usual  $\rho$  and  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda = \mathcal{D}_{G/B}^{\lambda-\rho}$ , the sheaf of  $(\lambda-\rho)$ -twisted differential operators. More generally, we get twisted diff. operators in the case when  $Y=T^*(G/P)$ .

**Remarks:** • In fact, all filtered quantizations of  $\eta_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  are of the form  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$ , and  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda \neq \mathcal{D}_{\lambda'}$  for  $\lambda \neq \lambda'$ . We'll comment on this in the complement section.

• One could (and should) ask what  $\mathcal{H}_\lambda$  looks like. To an extent, this is addressed in the next section.

## 1.2) Quantizations of $\mathbb{C}[X]$ .

**Proposition:**  $\mathcal{H}_\lambda := \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda)$  is a filtered quantization of  $\mathbb{C}[X]$ .

Sketch of proof: this is a formal consequence of

(1)  $\text{gr } \mathcal{D}_\lambda = \eta_* \mathcal{O}_Y$

(2)  $\Gamma(G/P, \eta_* \mathcal{O}_Y) (= \mathbb{C}[Y]) \xleftarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}[X]$ ,

(3)  $H^1(G/P, \eta_* \mathcal{O}_Y) (= H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)) = 0$ .

(1) is Fact in Sec 1.1; (2) & (3) follows from the following algebro-geometric fact: if  $X$  is singular symplectic,  $Y$  is normal & Poisson w. a proper birational morphism  $\sigma: Y \rightarrow X$ , then  $\sigma_* \mathcal{O}_Y \leftarrow \mathcal{O}_X$  &  $R^i \sigma_* \mathcal{O}_Y = 0 \ \forall i > 0$  (the latter follows from symplectic singularities being "rational" - shown by Beauville). Using this vanishing one checks that  $\text{gr} \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(\text{gr} \mathcal{D}_\lambda)$ , which then implies  $\Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda)$  is a filtered quantization of  $\mathbb{C}[Y] = \mathbb{C}[X]$ .

Let's explain how  $\text{gr} \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(\text{gr} \mathcal{D}_\lambda)$  follows:  $\text{gr} \mathcal{D}_\lambda = \varrho_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  gives SES's:  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i} \rightarrow (\varrho_* \mathcal{O}_Y)_i \rightarrow 0, \ \forall i \geq 0$ . We know  $H^1(G/P, (\varrho_* \mathcal{O}_Y)_i) = 0 \ \forall i \geq 0$ . By induction,  $H^1(G/P, \mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i-1}) = 0 \ \forall i \rightsquigarrow$  SES  $0 \rightarrow \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i-1}) \rightarrow \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i}) \rightarrow \Gamma((\varrho_* \mathcal{O}_Y)_i) \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{gr} \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(\text{gr} \mathcal{D}_\lambda)$ .  $\square$

**Example:** For  $X = \mathcal{N}$ ,  $Y = T^*(G/B)$ , it's classically known that  $\Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{G/B}^{\lambda-p}) = \mathcal{U}_\lambda (= \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g}) / \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g}) m_\lambda)$  from Sec 3 of Lec 2.

**Remarks:**

I)  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$ 's are pairwise distinct as quantizations, but  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda$ 's aren't. First, one can determine when  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda \cong \mathcal{A}_{\lambda'}$ , a  $G$ -equivariant filtered algebra isomorphism.

Consider  $N_G(L) \subset G$ . This group acts on  $L$  and hence on  $L$ -equivariant covers of nilpotent orbits (by twisting the  $L$ -action - and hence the moment map). So it makes sense to speak about the stabilizer of  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L$  under this action (if  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L \subset \mathfrak{l}^*$ ,

then this is just all elements of  $N_G(L)$  that preserve  $\tilde{Q}_2$  as a subset). Denote this subgroup of  $N_G(L)$  by  $N_G(L, \tilde{Q}_2)$ . We have  $L \triangleleft N_G(L, \tilde{Q}_2)$  &  $N_G(L, \tilde{Q}_2)/L \cong (K/[K, K])^*$ .

**Claim** (basically, I.L. 16):  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda \cong \mathcal{A}_{\lambda'}$  as filtered algebras  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda, \lambda'$  are in the same  $N_G(L, \tilde{Q}_2)$ -orbit.

**Comment:**  $\gamma$  depends on the choice of  $P$  & so does  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  but one can show that  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda$  doesn't. Let us use  $P$  as a superscript to indicate the dependence on  $P$ :  $\gamma^P, \mathcal{D}_\lambda^P$ . Then  $n$  gives rise to  $\gamma^P \cong \gamma^{nP}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda^P \cong \mathcal{D}_{n\lambda}^{nP} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{A}_\lambda = \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda^P) \cong \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{n\lambda}^{nP}) = \mathcal{A}_{n\lambda}$ . This proves  $\Leftarrow$  in the proposition  $\square$

One can use the claim & the comment to describe  $W_X$  and hence to answer when  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda \cong \mathcal{A}_{\lambda'}$  as quantizations. Note that a filtered algebra isomorphism  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda \cong \mathcal{A}_{\lambda'}$  gives a Poisson graded algebra automorphism of  $\mathbb{C}[X]$ . These automorphisms form a group that can be shown to coincide w. the group  $\text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})$  of  $G$ -equivariant symplectomorphisms of  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ , it's finite. So we get a group homomorphism  $N_G(L, \tilde{Q}_2) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})$ .

**Fact 2** (I.L., Namikawa) We have SES

$$1 \rightarrow W_X \rightarrow N_G(L, \tilde{Q}_2)/L \rightarrow \text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}) \rightarrow 1.$$

For example when  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \cong \mathcal{O} \circ \sigma^*$ , then  $\text{Aut}_G(\mathcal{O}) = 1$ .

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II) Using this description (and some more) we can produce an algebraic version of Orbit method, essentially as conjectured by Vogan in the 90's.

Thm (LMBM'21): There's a natural bijection between:

1) Filtered quantizations of  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$  for all equivariant covers  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  of nilpotent orbits, up to filtered algebra iso.

2) All equivariant covers of all (co)adjoint  $\zeta$ -orbits.

Under this correspondence, the cover  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  of a nilpotent orbit (in 2)) goes to the quantization  $\mathcal{H}_0$  of  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ , the canonical quantization.

III) Can we describe  $\mathcal{H}_\lambda$  "explicitly"? We can e.g. when  $\lambda=0$  &  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \subset \mathfrak{g}^*$ . By Exercise 1 (also can be seen by the construction), we have the unique quantum comoment map  $\mathcal{P}_\zeta: \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_0$ . The following result requires quite a lot of work (and describes  $\mathcal{H}_0$  as an algebra w/o filtration).

Thm (LMBM & MBM): •  $\mathcal{H}_0$  is a simple algebra

•  $\ker \mathcal{P}_\zeta$  is a maximal ideal (that we can recover starting from  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ )

• If  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}(\subset \mathfrak{g}^*)$ , then  $\text{im } \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{H}_0$  (more generally, if  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}/\text{Aut}_\zeta(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ , then  $\text{im } \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{Aut}_\zeta(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})}$ ).

## 2) Harish-Chandra bimodules.

**Definition (classical):** A HC  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -bimodule is a finitely generated  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -bimodule  $\mathcal{B}$  that is "ad( $\mathfrak{g}$ )-locally finite":  $\forall b \in \mathcal{B} \exists$  fin. dim'l ad( $\mathfrak{g}$ )-stable subspace  $\mathcal{B}_0 \subset \mathcal{B}$  w.  $b \in \mathcal{B}_0$ .

**Example:** •  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  is HC bimodule

• Every sub- & quotient bimodule of a HC bimodule is HC

**Exercise:** • Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional  $\mathfrak{g}$ -rep'n. Show that  $V \otimes U(\mathfrak{g})$  is a HC bimodule w.r.t.  $(v \otimes a) \xi := v \otimes a \xi$ ,  $\xi(v \otimes a) := \xi v \otimes a + v \otimes \xi a$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $a \in U(\mathfrak{g})$ ,  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}$ .

• Moreover, every HC bimodule is a quotient of some  $V \otimes U(\mathfrak{g})$ .

Let's explain why Harish-Chandra cared: he wanted to have algebraic counterparts of unitary rep's. For simplicity, assume  $G$  is simply connected. Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a unitary  $G$ -representation (some kind of  $L^2$ -space). Inside, there's the " $C^\infty$ -part",  $C^\infty(\mathcal{H})$ , it now carries a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -action, by skew-Hermitian operators.

Let  $K \subset G$  be a max'l compact subgroup. Consider the "K-finite part"  $C^\infty(\mathcal{H})_{K\text{-fin}}$  consisting of all vectors lying in  $K$ -stable fin. dim'l subspaces. This is a complex vector space w.  $\mathfrak{g}$ -action. If a real Lie algebra (resp. algebraic group) acts on a complex vector space, then the action extends to the complexification. So  $(\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}, K_{\mathbb{C}})$  act on  $C^\infty(\mathcal{H})_{K\text{-fin}}$  act (compatibly). Of course,  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} \cong \mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$  &  $\text{Lie}(K_{\mathbb{C}}) = \mathfrak{g}$  embedded into  $\mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$  diagonally.

A  $\mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$ -module is the same thing as a  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module. The action of the diagonal copy of  $\mathfrak{g}$  becomes the adjoint action. So  $C^\infty(H)_{k\text{-fin}}$  becomes a  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -bimodule w. locally finite  $\text{ad}(\mathfrak{g})$ -action.

Thm (Harish-Chandra):  $H \mapsto C^\infty(H)_{k\text{-fin}}$  defines a bijection between:

- Unitary irreps  $H$  of  $G$
- Irreducible HC bimodules that are "unitarizable": have a positive definite Hermitian form w. certain invariance property (saying that  $\mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} \simeq \mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$  acts by skew-Hermitian operators).

While this "algebrizes" the problem of classifying unitary  $G$ -irreps, the unitarizability condition is still very hard to check. Experimental evidence suggests that the class of unitarizable HC  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules has "big intersection" with HC bimodules over quantizations of  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ 's. We will discuss those in the final lecture.

### 3) Complements

#### 3.1) Comments on the classification of quantizations of $\mathcal{O}_Y^*$ .

- Why  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  is a filtered quantization of  $\mathcal{O}_Y^*$ . In general,  $\varphi = \mathcal{P} + \mathcal{H}_{\leq d-1}$ , gives an iso of graded quasi-coherent sheaves on  $G/P$ :
 
$$\mathcal{O}_{\mu^{-1}(0)} \longrightarrow \text{gr}[(\mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_2) / (\mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_2) \text{ in } \mathcal{P}_\lambda] \quad (1)$$

This epimorphism is an iso. A basic reason for this is that  $\mathcal{P}$  acts on  $\mu^{-1}(0)$  freely (no stabilizers). From here one deduces that,

for a basis  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$  of  $\beta$ ,

(\*) the elements  $\varphi(\xi_1), \dots, \varphi(\xi_n)$  form a regular sequence

this can be also seen directly:  $\text{codim}_{T^*X \times X} \mu^{-1}(0) = \dim \beta$

Using (\*) and some commutative algebra (regular  $\Rightarrow$  the 1st Koszul homology group vanishes) one can show that (1) is an isomorphism. Passing to the  $P$ -invariants is still an isomorphism - also follows from the freeness.

• Why  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda \simeq \mathcal{D}_{\lambda'} \Rightarrow \lambda \simeq \lambda'$  and  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$ 's exhaust all quantizations of  $\varphi_* \mathcal{O}_Y$ .

Easy case:  $Y = T^*(G/P)$ . Here we recover the classification of sheaves of twisted differential operators.

The general case:  $Y = G \times^P ((\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{p})^* \times X_2)$  is very mildly singular. It follows from the work of Bezrukavnikov - Kaledin & I.L. that the filtered quantizations of  $\varphi_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  are classified by  $H^2(Y^{\text{reg}}, \mathbb{C}) (= (\mathbb{C}[[\hbar, [\ ]]])^*)$  by means of the so called **period map**. One can prove that the period of  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  is  $\lambda$ , (I.L. 2010).

### 3.2) Barbasch-Vogan constr'n & glimpses of symplectic duality

Here we are concerned with understanding the kernels of the quantum comoment maps  $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_\hbar$ , where  $\mathcal{A}_\hbar$  is the canonical (parameter 0) quantization of some  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ . It



turns out that at least some of them have "meaning" & have appeared before.

In the study of unitary representations of real Lie groups there's an important - yet still conjectural - class of representations called **unipotent**. Under the (non-existing) Orbit method correspondence those are unitary irreps that correspond to nilpotent orbits. A formal definition for HC bimodules will be suggested in the next lecture.

In 85, Barbasch & Vogan proposed a partial definition: **special unipotent representations**. The first step is to define a family of ideals in  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ . To describe their construction we need to describe the maximal (w.r.t.  $\subset$ ) 2-sided ideals. Recall that we write  $\mathcal{Z}$  for the center of  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ . Recall the identification  $\mathcal{Z} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{h}^*]^W$ .

**Proposition:** For every maximal ideal  $I \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$ , we have  $\text{codim}_{\mathcal{Z}} I \cap \mathcal{Z} = 1$ , so  $I$  defines a point in  $\mathfrak{h}^*/W$ . The resulting map  $\{\text{max. 2-sided ideals in } U(\mathfrak{g})\} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{h}^*/W$  is a bijection.

**Notation:** For  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*/W$ , let  $I_{\text{max}}(\lambda)$  denote the maximal ideal in  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  corresponding to  $\lambda$  under the bijection from the proposition.

**Example:**  $I_{\text{max}}(\rho) = \mathfrak{g}U(\mathfrak{g})$ ,  $I_{\text{max}}(0) = \text{Ann}_{U(\mathfrak{g})}(\Delta(-\rho))$ .  
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Now we can introduce to Barbasch-Vogan ideals. We write  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee$  for the Langlands dual Lie algebra (e.g. for  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{so}_{2n+1}$  we get  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee = \mathfrak{sp}_{2n}$ ). Let  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$  be a nilpotent orbit in  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee$ . Pick  $e^\vee \in \mathcal{O}^\vee$  and include it into an  $\mathfrak{sl}_2$ -triple  $(e^\vee, h^\vee, f^\vee)$ . Conjugating we can assume that  $h^\vee \in \mathfrak{h}^\vee (= \mathfrak{h}^*)$ . The element  $h^\vee$  is defined up to conjugacy in  $W$ .

**Definition:** The **special unipotent ideal**  $I_{\mathcal{O}^\vee} := I_{\max}(\frac{1}{2}h^\vee)$

**Theorem (LMBM'21)**  $I_{\mathcal{O}^\vee}$  is the kernel of  $U(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$  for a cover  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  recovered from  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$ , we'll write  $\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}^\vee)$  for  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ .

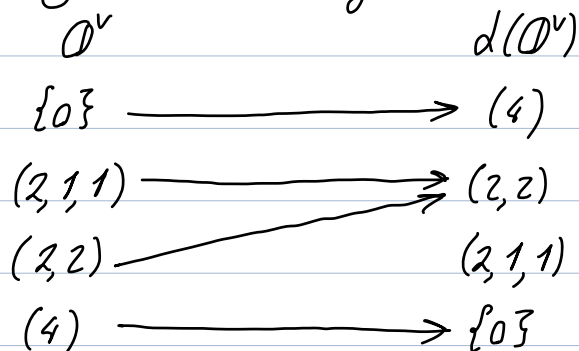
To construct  $\tilde{d}$  we need the following observation. Note that every 2-sided ideal  $I \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$  defines a  $G \times \mathbb{C}^\times$ -stable subvariety in  $\mathfrak{g}^*$  (where  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  acts by dilations) - the variety of  $\mathcal{O}$ 's of  $\text{gr } I$ , where  $\text{gr}$  is taken for the PBW filtration. Denote this subvariety by  $V(I)$ . If  $\text{codim}_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z} \cap I < \infty$ , then  $V(I) \subset \mathcal{N}$  and if  $I$  is maximal (more generally, "primitive"), then  $V(I)$  is irreducible.

**Definition:** The **BV dual orbit**  $d(\mathcal{O}^\vee)$  is the unique open orbit in  $V(I_{\mathcal{O}^\vee})$ .

**Examples:** 1)  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_n = \mathfrak{g}^\vee$ . If  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$  corresponds to a partition  $\mu$  of  $n$

$n$ , then  $d(\mathcal{O}^\vee)$  corresponds to  $\mu^t$ .

2)  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{Sp}_4 = \mathfrak{g}^\vee$ . The following illustrates how  $d$  works:



Construction of  $\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}^\vee)$ :

Case 1:  $e^\vee$  is "distinguished" (not contained in a proper Levi). Then  $\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}^\vee)$  is the universal  $\text{Ad}(\mathfrak{g})$ -equivariant cover of  $d(\mathcal{O})$ . It turns that  $\text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}^\vee)]$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial & terminal.

Case 2: general. Let  $\mathfrak{l}^\vee$  be a minimal Levi subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee$  containing  $e^\vee$ . Let  $\mathfrak{l}$  be a corresponding Levi subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$  &  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{l} \times \mathfrak{h}$  be a parabolic. Let  $X_2 = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}_2)]$ , where  $\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}_2)$  is constructed as in Case 1. Then  $\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O})$  is the open orbit in  $G \times^P (X_2 \times (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{p})^*)$ .

Examples: • For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{Sl}_n$ , we have  $\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}) = d(\mathcal{O})$ .

• For  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{Sp}_4$ ,  $\tilde{d}$  sends the orbit  $(2, 1, 1)$  to the orbit  $(2, 2)$  &  $(2, 2)$  to the double cover of  $(2, 2)$ .

An inspiration for defining  $\tilde{\mathcal{I}}$  comes from Symplectic duality predicted by Braden-Licata-Proudfoot-Webster and since then rigorously defined in some settings but not in ours. In the first approximation, this is a duality between conical singular symplectic varieties  $X, X^\vee$  (w. some "decorations") that swaps certain invariants. The pair of varieties in our case is as follows:

- $X = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{I}}(\mathcal{O}^\vee)]$
- $X^\vee =$  the intersection of the "Slodowy slice",  $e^\vee + z_{\mathfrak{g}^\vee}(f^\vee)$ , w. the nilpotent cone  $\mathcal{N}^\vee \subset \mathfrak{g}^\vee$ . The Slodowy slice is a transverse slice to  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$  in  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee$ .

