

Affine Hecke Algebras: Representations

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$\mathcal{R} = (X^*(T), R, Y^*(T), R^\vee)$, $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{R}) = \mathcal{H}_f \otimes \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T)]$ with cross relation

$$\theta_\lambda T_{s_\alpha} - T_{s_\alpha} \theta_{s(\lambda)} = (q - 1) \frac{\theta_\lambda - \theta_{s(\lambda)}}{1 - \theta_{-\alpha}}$$

Let $\lambda = s(\lambda)$ above, then adding the two equations yields

$$T_s(\theta_\lambda + \theta_{s(\lambda)}) = (\theta_\lambda + \theta_{s(\lambda)})T_s \quad (1)$$

Theorem 1 (Bernstein)

For any $\lambda \in X_+^*(T)$, define

$$z_\lambda = \sum_{w \in W_f} \theta_{w \cdot \lambda}$$

Then $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H}) = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in X_+^*(T)} \mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}] \cdot z_\lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}][X^*(T)]^{W_f}$.

Proof. (1) $z_\lambda \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})$: The $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \langle s \rangle$ action on W_f partitions W_f into cosets of size 2. Thus

$$T_s z_\lambda = \sum_{w \in W_f / \langle s \rangle} T_s(\theta_{w \cdot \lambda} + \theta_{sw \cdot \lambda}) \stackrel{\text{Eq. (1)}}{=} z_\lambda T_s$$

(2) $\{z_\lambda\}$ generates $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})$. We have a map $sp : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[W_{ext}] = \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T) \rtimes W_f]$ given by sending $q \mapsto 1$.

Lemma 1. Let $G \subseteq R$ faithfully where R is an integral domain. Then $\mathcal{Z}(R \rtimes G) = R^G$.

Proof. $\overline{R^G \subseteq \mathcal{Z}(R \rtimes G)}$ $r \in R^G$ commutes with R , and note $gr = g(r)g = rg$ and thus commutes with G as well.

$\mathcal{Z}(R \rtimes G) \hookrightarrow R^G$ Let $r \in R$, and suppose $z \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})$, write $z = \sum_{g \in G} z_g \otimes g$ where $z_g \in R$. Then

$$\sum_{g \in G} r z_g \otimes g = r z = z r = \sum_{g \in G} z_g \otimes gr = \sum_{g \in G} z_g g(r) \otimes g \quad \forall r \in R$$

Since $\{g\}_{g \in R}$ is an R -basis for $R \rtimes G$ and R is an integral domain it follows that

$$z_g r = z_g g(r) \implies r = g(r) \forall r \in R$$

But $G \curvearrowright R$ faithfully and thus only z_1 is nonzero and thus $z = z_1 \in R$. But now $zh = hz = h(z)h \implies z = h(z) \forall h \in G$ and thus $z \in R^G$ as desired. ■

Let $R = \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T)]$ and $G = W_f$, then $G \subseteq R$ faithfully as the only weight in the intersection of all the hyperplanes is 0. It follows that

$$\mathcal{Z}(\mathbb{Z}[W_{ext}]) = \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T)]^{W_f} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in X_+^*(T)} \mathbb{Z} \cdot c_\lambda, \quad c_\lambda = \sum_{w \in W_f} [w \cdot \lambda]$$

Note $\mathfrak{m} = \ker sp = (1 - q)\mathcal{H}$ is a prime ideal. Since sp is surjective it restricts $sp : \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(\mathbb{Z}[W_{ext}])$ and we have the SES

$$0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H}) \xrightarrow{sp} \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T)]^{W_f} \rightarrow 0$$

Localize the above sequence at $\mathfrak{m}$ and since this is exact we have $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})_{\mathfrak{m}}/\mathfrak{m}\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})_{\mathfrak{m}} \cong \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T)]^{W_f}$. But since $sp(z_\lambda) = c_\lambda$, if we let $Z' = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in X_+^*(T)} \mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}] \cdot z_\lambda$ we also have

$$0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}Z' \rightarrow Z' \xrightarrow{sp} \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T)]^{W_f} \rightarrow 0$$

and thus localizing at $\mathfrak{m}$ it follows that

$$\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})_{\mathfrak{m}}/\mathfrak{m}\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})_{\mathfrak{m}} \cong Z'_{\mathfrak{m}}/\mathfrak{m}Z'_{\mathfrak{m}} \quad (2)$$

$\mathcal{H}$ if f.g. ($\leq |W_f|$) over $\mathbb{Z}[X^*(T)]$ which itself is f.g. ($\leq |W_f|$) over Z' . Since Z' is Noetherian a ring it follows that $\mathcal{H}$ is a Noetherian module over Z' and $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})$, being a submodule, is thus a f.g. module over Z' . Since $Z'_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is a local ring and Eq. (2) shows that $\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})_{\mathfrak{m}} = Z'_{\mathfrak{m}} + \mathfrak{m}\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})_{\mathfrak{m}}$, by Nakayama's lemma it follows that $Z'_{\mathfrak{m}} = \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})_{\mathfrak{m}}$.

Thus every $z \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{H})$ can be written as a $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]_{\mathfrak{m}}$ sum of z_λ 's and in fact must be a $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]$ sum as z, z_λ have no poles. Finally the z_λ clearly independent over $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]$ ■

Corollary 2. *All irreducibles of $\mathcal{H}$ are f.d.*

Proof. The above proof shows that $\mathcal{H}$ is finite rank ($\leq |W_f|^2$) over its center and thus follows from “big center trick.” ■

2. The $\widetilde{A}_1$ case

Let $PGL_2 = (\mathbb{Z}, \{\pm 1\}, \mathbb{Z}, \{\pm 2\})$. Because $X^*(T) = \mathbb{Z}R^1$, $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}(PGL_2) = \mathcal{H}_{IM}(\langle s, t \rangle) = \mathbb{C}\langle T_s, T_\sigma \rangle / \sim$. In particular, we have the quadratic relation $(T_s + 1)(T_s - q) = 0$. Thus, there are two obvious one dimensional irreducibles

$$\mathbb{C}_{triv} : T_s, T_\sigma \curvearrowright q \quad \mathbb{C}_{St} : T_s, T_\sigma \curvearrowright -1$$

In the Bernstein presentation we have $\mathcal{H}(PGL_2) = \mathbb{C}\langle T_s, \theta, \theta^{-1} \rangle / \sim$ and recall from Che's talk that $\theta = q^{-1}T_\sigma T_s$ and thus

$$\mathbb{C}_{triv} : \theta \curvearrowright q \quad \mathbb{C}_{St} : \theta \curvearrowright q^{-1}$$

Theorem 3. (a) $L_t := \text{Ind}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]}^{\mathcal{H}} \mathbb{C}_t$ is irreducible $\forall t \in \mathbb{C}^\times \setminus \{q, q^{-1}, -1\}$.

(b) $L_t \cong L_w \iff w = t^{-1}$.

(c) Besides $\{L_t\}$, the only other irreducibles of $\mathcal{H}(PGL_2)$ are $\mathbb{C}_{triv}, \mathbb{C}_{St}$, and $\pi(-1, triv), \pi(-1, St)$. All are 1-dimensional and fit in SES

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow St \rightarrow L_q \rightarrow triv \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow triv \rightarrow L_{q^{-1}} \rightarrow St \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow \pi(-1, St) \rightarrow L_{-1} \xrightarrow{\epsilon} \pi(-1, triv) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

¹Technically this should really be $\mathcal{H}(\text{SL}_2)$ but Solleveld's notation is flipped so that $W_{aff} = W \ltimes R$.

Proof. (a) By Bernstein presentation we have $\mathcal{H} \stackrel{v.s.}{=} \mathcal{H}_f \otimes \mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]$ and thus $L_t \cong \mathcal{H}_f = \mathbb{C}(triv) \oplus \mathbb{C}(sgn)$ as $\mathcal{H}_f$ -modules. Recall

$$\mathbb{C}(triv) = \mathbb{C}e_t, \quad e_t = \frac{T_s + 1}{1 + q}, \quad \mathbb{C}(sgn) = \mathbb{C}e_s, \quad e_s = \frac{T_s - q}{1 + q}$$

Recall the defining commutation relation of $\mathcal{H}(PGL_2)$

$$\theta_1 T_s - T_s \theta_{-1} = (q - 1)(\theta_1 + 1) \quad (3)$$

It follows that

$$\theta_1(T_s + 1) = T_s \theta_{-1} + q\theta_1 + (q - 1) \quad (4)$$

If L_t is $\mathcal{H}$ -reducible $\implies L_t$ is $\mathcal{H}_f$ -reducible. and from above it must contain $\mathbb{C}(triv)$ or $\mathbb{C}(sgn)$ as an $\mathcal{H}_f$ submodule and since $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} L_t = 2$ it follows that $\mathbb{C}(triv)$ or $\mathbb{C}(sgn)$ must be a $\mathcal{H}$ submodule $\iff$

$$ke_t \stackrel{?}{=} \theta_1 e_t = \theta_1 \frac{(T_s + 1) \otimes_{\theta} 1}{1 + q} \stackrel{\text{Eq. (4)}}{=} \frac{(T_s t^{-1} + (qt + q - 1)) \otimes_{\theta} 1}{1 + q}$$

$\iff qt + q - 1 = t^{-1}$ and using the quadratic formula we see that $t = q^{-1} \text{ or } -1$. A similar calculation with $\mathbb{C}(sgn)$ shows that $t = q \text{ or } -1$.

(b) Consider the element $f = \frac{\theta(q - 1) + q - 1}{\theta - \theta^{-1}} \in \mathbb{C}(X^*(T))$. By direct computation we have

$$\theta(T_s - f) = (T_s - f)\theta^{-1} \quad (5)$$

For $t \notin \{1, -1\}$ f has well defined action on L_t and given $v \in \mathbb{C}_t \setminus \{0\}$ we have

$$\theta(T_s - f)(1 \otimes_{\theta} v) \stackrel{\text{Eq. (5)}}{=} (T_s - f)\theta^{-1} \otimes_{\theta} v = t^{-1}(T_s - f)(1 \otimes_{\theta} v)$$

Since $1 \otimes_{\theta} 1$ generates the t -eigenspace it follows that $\text{Res}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta]} L_t = \mathbb{C}_t \oplus \mathbb{C}_{t^{-1}}$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} L_w \cong L_t &\iff 0 \neq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{H}}(\text{Ind}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]}^{\mathcal{H}} \mathbb{C}_w, L_t) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]}(\mathbb{C}_w, \text{Res}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]} L_t) \\ &= \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]}(\mathbb{C}_w, \mathbb{C}_t \oplus \mathbb{C}_{t^{-1}}) \\ &\iff w = t \text{ or } t^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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(c) We claim any irreducible π of $\mathcal{H}$ must be a quotient of L_t for some t . Since π is f.d. by [Corollary 2](#) there must at least one eigenvalue for θ say t . Now note

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{H}}(\text{Ind}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]}^{\mathcal{H}} \mathbb{C}_t, \pi) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[\theta^{\pm 1}]}(\mathbb{C}_t, \pi) \neq 0$$

which gives the surjection as π is irreducible.

Remark. The exact same argument in (c) shows that in general all simple $\mathcal{H}$ -modules are quotients of $\text{Ind}_{\mathbb{C}[X^*(T)]}^{\mathcal{H}} \mathbb{C}_t$ for some $t \in T$.

3. Local Langlands

Unramified Local Langlands: Let $\mathcal{K}$ be a non-Archimedean local field and $W_{\mathcal{K}}$ the Weil-Deligne group (“discrete” version of $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathcal{K}}/\mathcal{K})$).

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \{\text{“spherical” reps of } G(\mathcal{K})\} & \xleftarrow{1:1} & \{\text{“unramified” Weil-Deligne reps in } G^{\vee}(\mathbb{C})\} \\
 \updownarrow \wr & & \updownarrow \wr \\
 \{\text{reps of } G(\mathcal{K}) \text{ admitting a } G(\mathcal{O}) - \text{fixed vector}\} & & \{\text{semisimple elements in } G^{\vee}(\mathbb{C}) \text{ up to conjugacy}\} \\
 \updownarrow \wr & & \\
 \{ \text{irr of } \mathcal{H}_{sph} = \text{Fun}_c(G(\mathcal{O}) \backslash G(\mathcal{K}) / G(\mathcal{O}), \mathbb{C}) \} & &
 \end{array}$$

Theorem 2 (Satake)

$\mathcal{H}_{sph}$ is commutative and there is a canonical isomorphism

$$\mathcal{H}_{sph} \cong K_0(\text{Rep } G^{\vee}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}$$

By the Weyl character formula we know that $K_0(\text{Rep } G^{\vee}) = \mathbb{Z}[X^*(T^{\vee})]^{W_f}$ and thus

$$K_0(\text{Rep } G^{\vee}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C} = \mathbb{C}[X^*(T^{\vee})]^{W_f} = \mathcal{O}(T^{\vee}/W) = \mathcal{O}(G_{ss}^{\vee}/\text{conjugacy})$$

In type A , the last equality is true because semisimple elements in GL_n correspond to diagonalizable elements so up to conjugacy are parameterized by entries on diagonal modulo the order (action of S_n).

Now we see that $\text{Irr } \mathcal{H}_{sph} = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{H}_{sph}, \mathbb{C}) \xrightarrow{\text{Satake}} G_{ss}^{\vee}/\text{conjugacy}$ as desired.

Tamely ramified Local Langlands: Let $q = |\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{m}|$ be the size of the residue field.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \{\text{reps of } G(\mathcal{K}) \text{ admitting a } I - \text{fixed vector}\} & \xleftarrow{\text{finite:1}} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{“tamely ramified” Weil-Deligne reps in } G^{\vee}(\mathbb{C}) \\ \text{with unipotent monodromy} \end{array} \right\} \\
 \updownarrow \wr & & \updownarrow \wr \\
 \{ \text{irr of } \mathcal{H}_{ext} = \mathcal{H}(G(\mathcal{K}), I) \} & & \left\{ \text{pairs } (s, N) \in G_{ss}^{\vee}(\mathbb{C}) \times \mathcal{N}^{\vee} \mid sNs^{-1} = qN \right\}
 \end{array}$$

where $\mathcal{N}$ is the nilpotent cone of $\mathfrak{g}$.