

Quantum Affine Algebras

Cartan matrix of affine type

$$A = (a_{ij})_{i,j \in I} \quad I = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

dual weight lattice

$$P^\vee = \mathbb{Z}h_0 \oplus \mathbb{Z}h_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}h_n \oplus \mathbb{Z}d \quad \text{free abelian group}$$

Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h} = \mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} P^\vee$

Simple roots α_i : $\alpha_i(h_j) = a_{ij}$ $\alpha_i(d) = \delta_{i0}$

Simple coroots h_i

fundamental weights Λ_i : $\Lambda_i(h_j) = \delta_{ij}$ $\Lambda_i(d) = 0$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{simple roots} \\ \Pi = \{ \alpha_i \mid i \in I \} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{simple coroots} \\ \Pi^\vee = \{ h_i \mid i \in I \} \end{array}$$

affine weight lattice^(†)

$$P = \{ \lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^* \mid \lambda(P^\vee) \subset \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$= \mathbb{Z}\Lambda_0 \oplus \mathbb{Z}\Lambda_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}\Lambda_n \oplus \mathbb{Z}\frac{\delta}{d_0}$$

null root

$$\delta = d_0\alpha_0 + d_1\alpha_1 + \dots + d_n\alpha_n$$

$d_0 = 1$ except for $A_{2n}^{(2)}$

affine Cartan datum
 $(A, \Pi, \Pi^\vee, P, P^\vee)$

Canonical central element

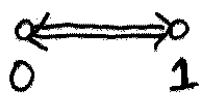
$$\zeta = c_0 h_0 + c_1 h_1 + \dots + c_n h_n$$

affine dominant integral weights

$$P^+ = \{ \lambda \in P \mid \lambda(h_i) \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall i \in I \}$$

level of λ $l = \lambda(c) = \langle \lambda, c \rangle$

type: $A_1^{(1)}$



$$\alpha_0(d) = 1 \quad \alpha_1(d) = 0$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \alpha_0(h_0) = 2 & \alpha_0(h_1) = -2 \\ \alpha_1(h_0) = -2 & \alpha_1(h_1) = 2 \end{matrix}$$

null root

$$\delta = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1$$

Canonical central element

$$c = h_0 + h_1$$



$$\alpha_0 = 2\Delta_0 - 2\Delta_1 + \delta$$

$$\alpha_1 = 2\Delta_0 + 2\Delta_1$$

$$P = \mathbb{Z}\Delta_0 \oplus \mathbb{Z}\Delta_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}\delta$$

$$P^\vee = \mathbb{Z}h_0 \oplus \mathbb{Z}h_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}d$$

$$P^+ = \mathbb{N}\Delta_0 \oplus \mathbb{N}\Delta_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}\delta$$

$$\Pi = \{ \alpha_0, \alpha_1 \}$$

$$\Pi^\vee = \{ h_0, h_1 \}$$

To each Cartan datum $(A, \Pi, \Pi^\vee, P, P^\vee)$
 can associate an affine Kac-Moody algebra
 \mathfrak{g} center of \mathfrak{g} is generated by c - canonical central element

for $A_n^{(1)}$ \mathfrak{g} is $\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_n$

also can associate a quantum affine
 algebra $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$

this is the associative algebra over $\mathbb{C}(q)$
 generated by $e_i, f_i, t_{i, \pm}^{\pm}$ q^h $K_i^{\pm} = q^{\pm h_i}$
 $i \in I$ $K_i^{\pm} = q^{\pm h_i}$
 $h \in P^\vee$

with relations given by Alejandra
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classical weights $\bar{P} = \mathbb{Z}\Lambda_0 \oplus \mathbb{Z}\Lambda_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}\Lambda_n$

$$\bar{P}^\vee = \mathbb{Z}h_0 \oplus \mathbb{Z}h_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}h_n$$

classical dominant
 integral weights

$$\bar{P}^+ = \{ \lambda \in \bar{P} \mid \lambda(h_i) \geq 0 \ \forall i \in I \}$$

$U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ is the subalgebra of $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$
 generated by $e_i, f_i, K_i^{\pm 1}$ ($i \in I$)

(does not contain ^{all} elements $t_i^{\pm d_i} q^h$ for $h \in P^\vee$)
 missing q^d

Example $U'_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_2)$ is Hopf algebra

generated by $e_0, e_1, f_0, f_1, K_0, K_1, K_0^{-1}, K_1^{-1}$

$$\Delta(K_0) = K_0 \otimes K_0 \quad \Delta(K_1) = K_0 \otimes K_1$$

$$\Delta(e_i) = e_i \otimes K_i^{-1} + 1 \otimes e_i \quad \Delta(f_i) = f_i \otimes 1 + K_i \otimes f_i$$

$$\varepsilon(K_i) = 1 \quad \varepsilon(e_i) = \varepsilon(f_i) = 0$$

$$S(K_i) = K_i^{-1} \quad S(e_i) = -e_i K_i \quad S(f_i) = -K_i^{-1} f_i$$

$$[K_i, K_j] = 0$$

etc..

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d_0 = 2\Delta_0 - 2\Delta_1$$

$$d_1 = 2\Delta_1 - 2\Delta_0$$

B crystal for $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$

$$\varepsilon(b) = \sum_{i \in I} \varepsilon_i(b) \Delta_i \quad \phi(b) = \sum_{i \in I} \phi_i(b) \Delta_i$$

where $\varepsilon_i(b) = \max \{k \mid \tilde{e}_i^k(b) \neq 0\}$

$\phi_i(b) = \max \{k \mid \tilde{f}_i^k(b) \neq 0\}$

Note $w(b) = \phi(b) - \varepsilon(b)$

Example $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_3)$ module $A_2^{(1)}$

$$V = \mathbb{C}v_1 \oplus \mathbb{C}v_2 \oplus \mathbb{C}v_3$$

$$e_i v_j = \begin{cases} v_{j-1} & \text{if } j \equiv i+1 \pmod{3} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$f_i v_j = \begin{cases} v_{j+1} & \text{if } j \equiv i \pmod{3} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$K_i v_j = \begin{cases} q v_j & \text{if } j \equiv i \pmod{3} \\ q^{-1} v_j & \text{if } j \equiv i+1 \pmod{3} \\ v_j & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$C = h_0 + h_1 + h_2$$

$$\varepsilon(\square) = \Delta_0$$

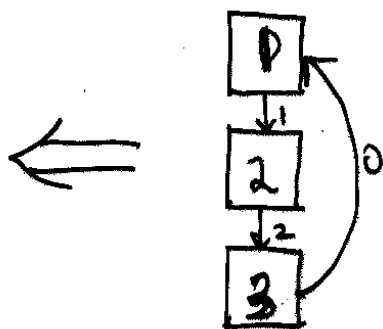
$$\varepsilon(\square_2) = \Delta_1$$

$$\varepsilon(\square_3) = \Delta_2$$

$$\phi(\square) = \Delta_1$$

$$\phi(\square_2) = \Delta_2$$

$$\phi(\square_3) = \Delta_0$$



$$\tilde{f}_1(\square) = \square_2 \quad \tilde{e}_1(\square_2) = \square$$

$$\tilde{f}_2(\square_2) = \square_3 \quad \tilde{e}_2(\square_3) = \square_2$$

$$\tilde{f}_0(\square_3) = \square \quad \tilde{e}_0(\square) = \square_3$$

$$\tilde{f}_2(\square_2) = \tilde{f}_1(\square_3) = \tilde{f}_2(\square) = \dots = \tilde{e}_0(\square_3) = 0$$

\mathcal{B} is a perfect crystal of level l

$$\bar{\mathcal{P}}_l^+ = \{ \lambda \in \bar{\mathcal{P}}^+ \mid \langle c, \lambda \rangle = l \}$$

(1) there exists a finite dimensional $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ with crystal basis whose crystal graph is isomorphic to \mathcal{B}

(2) $\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B}$ is connected

(3) there is a $\lambda_0 \in \bar{\mathcal{P}}$ such that for all $b \in \mathcal{B}$ $\varepsilon(b) = \lambda_0 - \sum_{i \neq 0} a_i^b \alpha_i$ $a_i^b \geq 0$
AND exists! b_{λ_0} with $\text{wt}(b_{\lambda_0}) = \lambda_0$

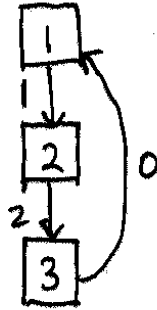
(4) for all $b \in \mathcal{B}$ $\langle c, \varepsilon(b) \rangle \geq l$

(5) For each $\lambda \in \bar{\mathcal{P}}_l^+$ there are unique vectors b_λ and b^λ

$$\varepsilon(b^\lambda) = \lambda \quad \phi(b_\lambda) = \lambda$$

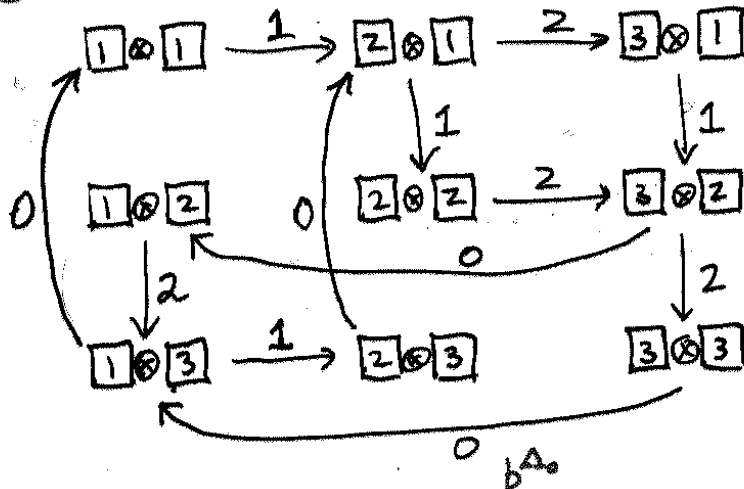
(5) is important. Says ε and ϕ are bijections
 $\{ b \in \mathcal{B} \mid \langle c, \varepsilon(b) \rangle = l \} \cong \bar{\mathcal{P}}_l^+$

Example:



$U_q(\widehat{sl}_3)$ -crystal

$B \otimes B$



$$\text{wt}(\square) = \Lambda_1 - \Lambda_0 \quad \varepsilon(\square) = \Lambda_0 \quad \phi(\square) = \Lambda_1$$

$$\text{wt}(\square) = \Lambda_2 - \Lambda_1 \quad \varepsilon(\square) = \Lambda_1 \quad \phi(\square) = \Lambda_2$$

$$\text{wt}(\square) = \Lambda_0 - \Lambda_2 \quad \varepsilon(\square) = \Lambda_2 \quad \phi(\square) = \Lambda_0$$

all level 1

$$\alpha_1 = -\Lambda_0 + 2\Lambda_2 - \Lambda_2 \quad \alpha_2 = -\Lambda_0 - \Lambda_1 + 2\Lambda_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{wt}(\square) &= \text{wt}(\square) + \alpha_2 \\ &= \text{wt}(\square) - \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 \end{aligned}$$

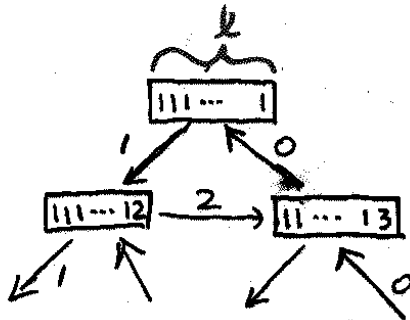
$$\begin{aligned} \text{wt}(\square) &= \text{wt}(\square) + \alpha_1 \\ \Lambda_2 - \Lambda_1 &= \Lambda_1 - \Lambda_0 + \Lambda_0 - 2\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_1 \end{aligned}$$

More generally

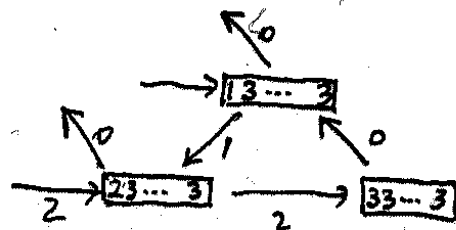
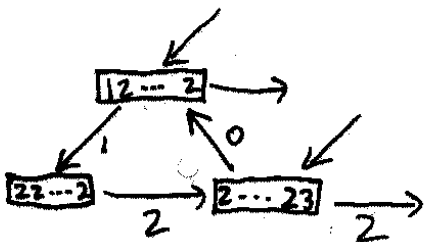
$$\varepsilon\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ \dots & 1 & 2 \dots 2 & 1 & 3 \end{array}\right) = a\Lambda_0 + b\Lambda_1 + c\Lambda_2$$

$$\phi\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ \dots & 1 & 2 \dots 2 & 1 & 3 \end{array}\right) = c\Lambda_0 + a\Lambda_1 + b\Lambda_2$$

all elements
of level l



$$U'_q(\widehat{sl_3})$$



$$\text{let } b^\lambda = \begin{array}{ccc} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 \\ \dots & 1 & 2 \dots 2 & 3 \dots 3 \end{array}$$

$$\varepsilon(b^\lambda) = \lambda = a_0\Lambda_0 + a_1\Lambda_1 + a_2\Lambda_2$$

$$\text{let } b_\lambda = \begin{array}{ccc} a_1 & a_2 & a_0 \\ \dots & 1 & 2 \dots 2 & 3 \dots 3 \end{array}$$

$$\text{then } \phi(b_\lambda) = \lambda$$

$$\bar{P}_e^+ = \{a\Lambda_0 + b\Lambda_1 + c\Lambda_2 \mid a+b+c=e\}$$