# TITS' SYSTEMS IN CHEVALLEY GROUPS OVER LAURENT POLYNOMIAL RINGS

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## 0. Introduction.

Our aim is to show that the elementary subgroup of a Chevalley group over a Laurent polynomial ring has the structure of a Tits' system with an affine Weyl group (as for Tits' system, see [2]).

We let denote Z the rational integers.

Let  $\Delta$  be a (reduced) root system (cf. [2], [4]). Then there is a finite dimensional complex semisimple Lie algebra  $L=L(\Delta)$ , unique up to isomorphism, whose root system is  $\Delta$ . Let  $\rho$  be a finite dimensional complex faithful representation of L.

Let G be a Chevalley-Demazure group scheme associated with L and  $\rho$  (as for the definition, see [1], [8]). Since G is a representable covariant functor from the category of commutative rings with 1 to the category of groups, we get a group G(R) of the points of a commutative ring R, with 1. We call G(R) a Chevalley group over R. For each root  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ , there is a group isomorphism of the additive group  $R^+$  of R onto a subgroup  $X_{\alpha}$  of G(R) (cf. [1], [8]). The elementary subgroup E(R) is defined to be the subgroup of G(R) generated by  $X_{\alpha}$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ .

If  $\Delta$  is of type  $A_l$  and  $\rho$  is of universal type (cf. [4]), then  $G(R) = SL_{l+1}(R)$  and E(R) is the subgroup  $E_{l+1}(R)$  of  $SL_{l+1}(R)$  generated by  $I_{l+1} + ae_{ij}$  for all  $a \in R$  and  $1 \le i \ne j \le l+1$ , where  $I_{l+1}$  is the  $(l+1) \times (l+1)$  identity matrix and  $e_{ij}$  is a matrix unit (1 in the i, j position, 0 elsewhere).

If R is a field, then E(R) has the structure of a Tits' system associated with the Weyl group of  $\Delta$  (cf. [9]). If R is a field with a discrete valuation, then E(R) has the structure of a Tits' system associated with the affine Weyl group of  $\Delta$  (cf. [5]). Let  $K[T, T^{-1}]$  be the ring of Laurent polynomials in T and  $T^{-1}$  with coefficients in a field K. In this paper, we will show that  $E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  has the structure of a Tits' system associated with the affine Weyl group of  $\Delta$ . Let  $L_Z$  be a Chevalley lattice in L (cf. [4]) and set  $\mathfrak{g}_K = K[T, T^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} L_Z$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g}_K$  is isomorphic to a Euclidean Lie algebla (cf. [6]). Thus, if  $\rho$  is of adjoint type, and if

char K=0 or  $\geq 5$ , then our result correspons to the special case of [7].

Let x and y be elements of a group, then the symbol [x, y] denotes the commutator  $xyx^{-1}y^{-1}$  of x and y. For two subgroups  $G_2$  and  $G_3$  of a group  $G_1$ , let  $[G_2, G_3]$  be the subgroup of  $G_1$  generated by [x, y] for all  $x \in G_2$  and  $y \in G_3$ . We shall write  $G_1 = G_2 \cdot G_3$  when a group  $G_1$  is a semidirect product of two groups  $G_2$  and  $G_3$ , and  $G_3$  normalizes  $G_2$ .

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## 1. Characterization of affine Weyl groups.

Let  $\Delta$  be a (reduced) root system of rank l, W the Weyl group of  $\Delta$ , and  $W^*$  the affine Weyl group of  $\Delta$  (cf. [2], [4], [5]). Let  $\Pi = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l\}$  be a simple system of  $\Delta$ , and  $\Delta^+$  (resp.  $\Delta^-$ ) the positive system (resp. negative system) of  $\Delta$  with respect to  $\Pi$ . Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be in  $\Delta$ , then we abbreviate  $2(\beta, \alpha)/(\alpha, \alpha)$  by  $\langle \beta, \alpha \rangle$ , where (,) is a scalar product (cf. [4]). For each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ ,  $w_{\alpha}$  denotes the reflection with respect to  $\alpha$ . Set  $\Delta_1 = \Delta \times \mathbf{Z}$ , then an element of  $\Delta_1$  is represented by  $\alpha^{(n)}$ , where  $\alpha \in \Delta$  and  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$ . For each  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1$ , let  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  be a permutation on  $\Delta$  defined by

$$w_{\alpha}^{(n)}\beta^{(m)} = (w_{\alpha}\beta)^{(m-\langle \beta, \alpha \rangle n)}$$

for any  $\beta^{(m)} \in \Delta_1$ . Let  $W_1$  be the permutation group on  $\Delta_1$  generated by  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  for all  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1$ . We shall identify W with the subgroup of  $W_1$  generated by  $w_{\alpha}^{(0)}$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Set  $h_{\alpha}^{(n)} = w_{\alpha}^{(n)} w_{\alpha}^{(0)-1}$  and let  $H_1$  be the subgroup of  $W_1$  generated by  $h_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  for all  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1$ .

## LEMMA 1.1

(1) Let  $\alpha^{(n)}$  and  $\beta^{(m)}$  be in  $\Delta_1$ . Then

$$h_{\alpha}^{(n)}\beta^{(m)}=\beta^{(m+\langle\beta,\alpha\rangle n)}.$$

- (2)  $H_1$  is a free abelian group generated by  $h_{\alpha_i}^{(1)}$  for all  $\alpha_i \in \Pi$ .
- (3) Let  $\alpha^{(n)}$  and  $\beta^{(m)}$  be in  $\Delta_1$ , and set  $\gamma = w_{\alpha}\beta$ . Then

$$w_{\alpha}^{(n)}h_{\beta}^{(m)}w_{\alpha}^{(n)-1}=h_{r}^{(m)}.$$

PROOF. (1) and (3) are confirmed by direct calculation. We will show (2). Set  $\alpha^* = 2\alpha/(\alpha, \alpha)$  for each  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , then  $\Delta^* = \{\alpha^*; \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is also a root system and  $\Pi^* = \{\alpha_i^*; \alpha_i \in \Pi\}$  a simple system of  $\Delta^*$ . Let  $\alpha$  be in  $\Delta$  and write  $\alpha^* = \sum_{i=1}^l c_i \alpha_i^*$  ( $c_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ), then we have  $h_{\alpha_1}^{(1)} = h_{\alpha_1}^{(c_1)} h_{\alpha_2}^{(c_2)} \cdots h_{\alpha_l}^{(c_l)}$ . On the other hand,  $h_{\alpha_1}^{(n)} = (h_{\alpha_1}^{(1)})^n$ . Hence  $H_1$  is generated by  $h_{\alpha_l}^{(1)}$  for all  $1 \le i \le l$ . Next assume  $h_{\alpha_1}^{(m_1)} \cdots h_{\alpha_l}^{(m_l)} = 1$  ( $m_j \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $1 \le j \le l$ ). This yields  $\sum_{i=1}^l \langle \beta, \alpha_j \rangle m_j = 0$  for all  $\beta \in \Delta$ . Thus  $m_j = 0$  for all j. q.e.d.

PROPOSITION 1.2 Let W, W\*,  $W_1$  and  $H_1$  be as above. Then  $W_1=H_1 \cdot W$ . In particular,  $W_1 \simeq W^*$ .

PROOF Lemma 1.1 implies  $H_1 \triangleleft W_1$  and  $H_1 \cap W = 1$ . For any  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1$ ,  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)} = h_{\alpha}^{(n)} w_{\alpha}^{(0)} \in H_1 W$ . q. e. d.

LEMMA 1.3 Let  $\alpha^{(m)}$  be in  $\Delta_1$  and w in  $W_1$ , and set  $\beta^{(n)} = w\alpha^{(m)}$ . Then  $ww_{\alpha}^{(m)}w^{-1}=w_{\beta}^{(n)}$ .

PROOF We can assume  $w=w_{\gamma}^{(k)}$  for some  $\gamma^{(k)} \in \mathcal{L}_1$ . For any  $\delta^{(c)} \in \mathcal{L}_1$ , we have  $w_{\gamma}^{(k)} w_{\alpha}^{(m)} w_{\gamma}^{(k)-1} \delta^{(c)} = w_{\beta}^{(n)} \delta^{(c)}$  by the following formula:

$$\langle \delta, \gamma \rangle + \langle w_{\alpha} w_{\gamma} \delta, \gamma \rangle + \langle \delta, w_{\gamma} \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle = 0.$$

q.e.d.

Let  $\Delta = \Delta^{(1)} \cup \Delta^{(2)} \cup \cdots \cup \Delta^{(r)}$  be the irreducible decomposition of  $\Delta$  (cf. [2], [4]), and set  $\Pi^{(j)} = \Delta^{(j)} \cap \Pi$  for each j ( $1 \le j \le r$ ). Let  $\beta_j$  be the unique highest root of  $\Delta^{(j)}$  with respect to  $\Pi^{(j)}$  for each j. Set  $\Pi_1 = \{-\alpha_i^{(0)}, \beta_j^{(1)}; 1 \le i \le l, 1 \le j \le r\}$  and  $Y = \{w_a^{(n)}; \alpha^{(n)} \in \Pi_1\}$ .

Proposition 1.4 Let  $W_1$  and Y be as above. Then Y generates  $W_1$ .

PROOF We can assume  $\Delta$  is irreducible. Let X be the subgroup of  $W_1$  generated by Y. If  $\Delta$  has only one root length, then  $w_{\alpha}^{(1)} \in X$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$  by Lemma 1.3. Thus  $h_{\alpha}^{(1)} \in X$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , and  $X = W_1$ . Assume that  $\Delta$  has two root lengths. Then we can choose  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $\Pi$  such that  $\alpha$  is short,  $\beta$  long, and  $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = -1$ . By Lemma 1.3,  $w_{\beta}^{(1)} w_{\alpha}^{(0)} w_{\beta}^{(1)-1} = w_{\tau}^{(1)} \in X$ , where  $\gamma = w_{\beta}\alpha$ . Hence  $w_{\alpha}^{(1)} \in X$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$ , which yields  $X = W_1$ . q.e.d.

When  $w \in W_1$  is written as  $w_1 w_2 \cdots w_k$  ( $w_j \in Y$ , k minimal), we write l(w) = k: this is the length of w. Set  $\Delta_1^+ = (\Delta^+ \times \mathbb{Z}_{>0}) \cup (\Delta^- \times \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0})$  and  $\Delta_1^- = \Delta_1 - \Delta_1^+$ . For each  $w \in W_1$ , set  $\Gamma(w) = \{\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1^+ ; w\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1^-\}$  and  $N(w) = Card \Gamma(w)$ . We will show N(w) = l(w). The following proposition is easily verified.

PROPOSITION 1.5 Let  $\alpha^{(n)}$  be in  $\Pi_1$  and w in  $W_1$ . Then:

- $(1) \quad \Gamma(w_{\alpha}^{(n)}) = \{\alpha^{(n)}\},\,$
- (2)  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(\Gamma(w) \{\alpha^{(n)}\}) = \Gamma(ww_{\alpha}^{(n)}) \{\alpha^{(n)}\},$
- (3)  $\alpha^{(n)}$  is in precisely one of  $\Gamma(w)$  or  $\Gamma(ww_{\alpha}^{(n)})$ ,
- (4)  $N(ww_{\alpha}^{(n)}) = N(w) 1$  if  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Gamma(w)$ ,  $N(ww_{\alpha}^{(n)}) = N(w) + 1$  if  $\alpha^{(n)} \notin \Gamma(w)$ .

LEMMA 1.6 Let t be in  $\mathbb{Z}_{>1}$  and  $\alpha^{(n)}$  in  $\Pi_1$ . Let  $w_j$  be in Y  $(j=1, 2, \dots, t-1)$  and set  $w_t=w_{\alpha}^{(n)}$ . Suppose  $w_1w_2\cdots w_{t-1}\alpha^{(n)}$  is in  $\Delta_1^-$ . Then  $w_1\cdots w_t=w_1\cdots w_{s-1}w_{s+1}\cdots w_{t-1}$  for some index  $1\leq s\leq t-1$ .

Proof Write  $\gamma_k = w_{k+1} w_{k+2} \cdots w_{t-1} \alpha^{(n)}$   $(0 \le k \le t-2)$ ,  $\gamma_{t-1} = \alpha^{(n)}$ . Since  $\gamma_0 \in \mathcal{A}_1^-$  and

 $\gamma_{t-1} \in \Delta_1^+$ , we can find a smallest index s for which  $\gamma_s \in \Delta_1^+$ . Then  $w_s \gamma_s = \gamma_{s-1} \in \Delta_1^-$ , so  $\gamma_s \in H_1$ . Thus  $w_s = w_t^{(m)}$ , where  $\gamma^{(m)} = \gamma_s$ . By Lemma 1.3,  $w_s = (w_{s+1} \cdots w_{t-1}) w_t (w_{t-1} \cdots w_{s+1})$ , which yields the lemma. q.e.d.

COROLLARY 1.7 If  $w = w_1 w_2 \cdots w_t$   $(w_j \in Y, 1 \le j \le t)$  is a reduced expression (i.e. l(w) = t), and if  $w_t = w_a^{(n)}$  for some  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Pi_1$ , then  $w\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1^-$ .

Proposition 1.8 Let w be in  $W_1$ . Then N(w)=l(w).

PROOF Proceed by induction on l(w). If l(w)=0, then w=1, so N(w)=0. Assume l(w)>0, and write  $w=w_1w_2\cdots w_t$  as a reduced expression, where  $w_j\in Y$ ,  $1\leq j\leq t$ . For some  $\alpha^{(n)}\in\Pi_1$ ,  $w_t=w_\alpha^{(n)}$ . By Corollary 1.7,  $w\alpha^{(n)}\in J_1^-$  and  $\alpha^{(n)}\in \Gamma(w)$ . Thus  $N(ww_\alpha^{(n)})=N(w)-1$  by Proposition 1.5(4). On the other hand,  $l(ww_\alpha^{(n)})=l(w)-1$ . By induction,  $N(ww_\alpha^{(n)})=l(ww_\alpha^{(n)})$ , which implies N(w)=l(w). q.e.d.

## 2. The statement of Main Theorem, some basic results.

Let  $\Delta$  be a (reduced) root system of rank l and  $\Pi = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l\}$  a simple system of  $\Delta$  (cf. [2], [4]). Let  $L = L(\Delta)$  be a finite dimensional complex semisimple Lie algebra whose root system with respect to a Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  of L is  $\Delta$ , and let  $\rho$  be a finite dimensional complex faithful representation of L. Let G be a Chevalley-Demazure group scheme associated with L and  $\rho$  (as for the definition, see [1], [8]). Let  $\{h_i, e_\alpha; 1 \le i \le l, \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a Chevalley basis of L (cf. [3]). Then we have a Chevalley lattice  $L_{\mathbf{Z}} = \sum_{i=1}^{l} \mathbf{Z} h_i + \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z} e_\alpha$  in L. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a universal enveloping algebra of L and  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbf{Z}}$  the subring of  $\mathcal{U}$  generated by 1 and  $e_\alpha^k/k!$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$  and  $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$ . Then  $L_{\mathbf{Z}}$  is a  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbf{Z}}$ -module. Let V be the representation space of  $\rho$ ,  $\Lambda$  the weights of V with respect to  $\mathfrak{h}$ , and  $V = \coprod_{\mu \in \Lambda} V_\mu$  the weight decomposition of V. Let M be an admissible lattice in V (cf. [4], [9]), and set  $M_\mu = M \cap V_\mu$ . Let  $K[T, T^{-1}]$  be the ring of Laurent polynomials in T and  $T^{-1}$  with coefficients in a field K. Set  $M' = K[T, T^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} M$  and  $M'_\mu = K[T, T^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} M_\mu$ . For each  $t \in K$ ,  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$  and  $\alpha \in \Delta$ ,

$$\exp t T^n \rho(e_\alpha) = 1 + t T^n \rho(e_\alpha) / 1! + t^2 T^{2n} \rho(e_\alpha)^2 / 2! + \cdots$$

induces an automorphism of M' under the following action:

$$(t^k T^{kn} \rho(e_\alpha)^k / k!)(f \otimes v) = (t^k T^{kn} f) \otimes (\rho(e_\alpha)^k / k!)v,$$

where  $f \in K[T, T^{-1}]$  and  $v \in M$ . Then  $X_{\alpha} = \langle \exp t T^{n} \rho(e_{\alpha}); t \in K, n \in \mathbb{Z} \rangle$  is a subgroup of  $G(K[T, T^{-1}])$  and isomorphic to the additive group of  $K[T, T^{-1}]$ . Let  $E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  denote the subgroup of  $G(K[T, T^{-1}])$  generated by  $X_{\alpha}$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ . We shall write  $x_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t) = \exp t T^{n} \rho(e_{\alpha})$  for each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $t \in K$ . Let  $K^{*}$  be the multiplicative group of K. For each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $t \in K^{*}$ , we write

$$w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t) = x_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)x_{-\alpha}^{(-n)}(-t^{-1})x_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t),$$
  
 $h_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t) = w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)w_{\alpha}^{(0)}(1)^{-1}.$ 

Let U be the subgroup of  $E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  generated by  $x_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)$  for all  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \mathcal{L}_1^+$  and  $t \in K$ ,  $H_0$  the subgroup generated by  $h_{\alpha}^{(0)}(t)$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}$  and  $t \in K^*$ , B the subgroup generated by U and  $H_0$ , and N the subgroup generated by  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)$  for all  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \mathcal{L}_1$  and  $t \in K^*$ .

THEOREM 2.1 (Main Theorem) Notation is as above. Set  $E = E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  and let Y be as in § 1. Then (E, B, N, Y) is a Tits' system.

The proof of Theorem 2.1 will be completed in § 4.

LEMMA 2.2 Let  $\alpha^{(n)}$  and  $\beta^{(n)}$  be in  $\Delta_1$ , and assume  $\alpha + \beta \neq 0$ . Then

$$[x_{\alpha}^{(m)}(t), x_{\beta}^{(n)}(u)] = \prod x_{i\alpha+j\beta}^{(im+jn)}(c_{ij}t^{i}u^{j})$$

for all  $t, u \in K$ , where the product is taken over all roots of the form  $i\alpha + j\beta$ ,  $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  in some fixed order, and  $c_{ij}$  is as in [9, Lemma 15].

PROOF Let  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  be indeterminates, and let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be in  $\Delta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 0$ , then we have

$$[\exp \xi e_{\alpha}, \exp \eta e_{\beta}] = \Pi \exp c_{ij} \xi^{i} \eta^{j} e_{i\alpha+j\beta} \text{ in } \mathcal{U}_{\mathbf{Z}}[[\xi, \eta]],$$

where  $c_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}$  (cf. [9, Lemma 15]). The representation  $\rho$  induces a map, also denoted  $\rho$ , of  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{Z}}$  to  $\operatorname{End}(M)$  because M is admissible. Following this with the map  $\varphi \to \operatorname{id} \otimes \varphi$  of  $\operatorname{End}(M)$  to  $\operatorname{End}(M')$  yields a map, again called  $\rho$ , of  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{Z}}$  to  $\operatorname{End}(M')$ . Next, map  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{Z}}[\xi, \eta]$  to  $\operatorname{End}(M')$  as follows: (for  $t, u \in K$ , and  $u_{ij} \in \mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{Z}}$ )

$$\sum_{i,j} u_{ij} \xi^i \eta^j \to \sum_{i,j} t^i u^j T^{im+jn} \rho(u_{ij}),$$

where in general, if  $f \in K[T, T^{-1}]$ ,  $g \in End(M')$  then fg is the element in End(M') which is "first act by g and then left multiply by f." Then our lemma is established. q. e. d.

LEMMA 2.3 Let  $\alpha^{(n)}$  and  $\beta^{(m)}$  be in  $\Delta_1$  and set  $\gamma = w_{\alpha}\beta$ . Then:

- (1)  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(1)h_{\beta}^{(m)}(t)w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(1)^{-1}=h_{\tau}^{(m)}(t)$  for any  $t \in K^*$ .
- (2)  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(1)x_{\beta}^{(m)}(t)w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(1)^{-1} = x_{\gamma}^{(m-\langle \beta,\alpha\rangle n)}$  (ct) for any  $t \in K$ , where c is as in [9, Lemma 19].
- (3)  $h_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)x_{\beta}^{(m)}(u)h_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)^{-1}=x_{\beta}^{(m+\langle \beta,\alpha\rangle n)}(t^{\langle \beta,\alpha\rangle}u)$  for any  $t\in K^*$  and  $u\in K$ .

Proof These follw as in [9, Lemma 20].

LEMMA 2.4 (cf. [3], [9]) Let  $\alpha$  be in  $\Delta$ , m and n in Z, and t and u in  $K^*$ . Then:

- (1)  $h_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)$  acts as multiplication on  $M'_{\mu}$  by  $t^{\langle \mu, \alpha \rangle} T^{\langle \mu, \alpha \rangle n}$ .
- (2)  $h_{\alpha}^{(m)}(t)h_{\alpha}^{(n)}(u)=h_{\alpha}^{(m+n)}(tu).$
- (3)  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t) = w_{-\alpha}^{(-n)}(-t^{-1}).$

Let  $N_0$  be the subgroup of  $E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  generated by  $w_{\alpha}^{(0)}(t)$  for all  $\alpha \in A$  and  $t \in K^*$ , and H the subgroup generated by  $h_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)$  for all  $\alpha^{(n)} \in A_1$  and  $t \in K^*$ .

Lemma 2.5

- (1)  $B = U \cdot H_0$ .
- (2)  $H_0$  and H are normal subgroups of N.
- (3)  $N=HN_0$  and  $H \cap N_0=H_0$ .

PROOF (1): Any element of U is a superdiagonal unipotent matrix of infinite degree and any element of  $H_0$  is a diagonal matrix of infinite degree with respect to an appropriate choice of a K-basis of M'. Hence  $U \cap H_0 = 1$ . By Lemma 2.3(3),  $H_0$  normalizes U. Thus  $B = U \cdot H_0$ . (2): By Lemma 2.3(1), we see that N normalizes  $H_0$  and H. (3): For any  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Delta_1$  and  $t \in K^*$ , we have  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t) = h_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)w_{\alpha}^{(0)}(1) \in HN_0$ , so  $N = HN_0$ . Clearly  $H \cap N_0 \supseteq H_0$ . Conversely we take  $h \in H \cap N_0$  and write  $h = \prod_{i=1}^{l} h_{\alpha_j}^{(m_j)}(t_j)$  ( $\alpha_j \in \Pi$ ,  $m_j \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $t_j \in K^*$ ). Then h maps  $K \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M_\mu$  to itself and hence, by Lemma 2.4(1),  $\sum_{j=1}^{l} \langle \mu, \alpha_j \rangle m_j = 0$  for all weights  $\mu$  of the module. Thus we have  $m_j = 0$ , which implies  $h \in H_0$ . q. e. d.

THEOREM 2.6 Notation is as above. Then  $N/H_0 \simeq W_1$ .

PROOF By Lemma 2.5, we have  $N/H_0 = (H/H_0) \cdot (N_0/H_0)$ . Since  $H/H_0 \simeq H_1$  and  $N_0/H_0 \simeq W$ , our theorem is established by Lemma 1.1(3), Proposition 1.2 and Lemma 2.3(1). q. e. d.

We sometimes identify an element of  $W_1$  with a representative in N of  $N/H_0$  through the isomorphism in Theorem 2.6.

#### 3. The case of rank 1.

In this section, we assume  $\Delta$  is of rank 1, i.e.  $\Delta = \{\pm \alpha\}$ . Then we have  $\Delta_1 = \{\alpha^{(n)}, -\alpha^{(n)}; n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  and  $\Delta_1^+ = \{\alpha^{(m)}, -\alpha^{(n)}; m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\}$ . Set  $E = E(K[T, T^{-1}])$ , and for each  $\beta^{(m)} \in \Delta_1$  let  $X_{\beta}^{(m)}$  be the subgroup of E generated by  $x_{\beta}^{(m)}(t)$  for all  $t \in K$ . We identify  $w_{\alpha}^{(0)}$  (resp.  $w_{\alpha}^{(1)}$ ) in  $W_1$  with  $w_{\alpha}^{(0)}(1)$  (resp.  $w_{\alpha}^{(1)}(1)$ ) in N, and simply write  $w_{\lambda} = w_{\alpha}^{(1)}$  for  $\lambda = 0$ , 1. Set  $S_{\lambda} = B \cup Bw_{\lambda}B$ . Our purpose in this section is to establish the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.1 Notation is as above. Then  $S_{\lambda}$  is a subgroup of E for  $\lambda=0, 1$ .

The proof of Theorem 3.1 is given by the next proposition.

Proposition 3.2 Let  $\lambda=0$ , 1. Then  $w_{\lambda}Uw_{\lambda}^{-1}\subseteq S_{\lambda}$ .

We shall give the proof of this proposition after Lemma 3.7.

Lemma 3.3 The following statements hold.

- (1)  $w_0 X_{\alpha}^{(n)} w_0^{-1} = X_{-\alpha}^{(n)} \subseteq B \text{ if } n \ge 1.$
- (2)  $w_0 X_{-\alpha}^{(n)} w_0^{-1} = X_{\alpha}^{(n)} \subseteq B \text{ if } n \ge 1.$
- (3)  $w_0 X_{-\alpha}^{(0)} w_0^{-1} = X_{\alpha}^{(0)} \subseteq S_0$ .
- (4)  $w_1 X_{\alpha}^{(n)} w_1^{-1} = X_{-\alpha}^{(n-2)} \subseteq B \text{ if } n \ge 2.$
- (5)  $w_1 X_{-\alpha}^{(n)} w_1^{-1} = X_{\alpha}^{(n+2)} \subseteq B \text{ if } n \ge 0.$
- (6)  $w_1 X_{\alpha}^{(1)} w_1^{-1} = X_{-\alpha}^{(-1)} \subseteq S_1$ .

PROOF (1), (2), (4) and (5) are clear. (3): For any  $t \in K^*$ ,  $x_{\alpha}^{(0)}(t) = x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(t^{-1})w_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-t^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(t^{-1}) \in S_0$ , hence  $w_0 X_{-\alpha}^{(0)} w_0^{-1} = X_{\alpha}^{(0)} \subseteq S_0$ . (6) is similarly shown. q. e. d.

Definition Let x be in E.

(1) x is called a (QS, 0)-element if x can be written as

$$x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(t)x_{\alpha}^{(0)}(u)x_{\beta_1}^{(m_1)}(t_1)\cdots x_{\beta_k}^{(m_k)}(t_k)x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(v),$$

where  $\beta_j^{(mj)} \in \mathcal{A}_1^+ - \{-\alpha^{(0)}\}, k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, t, u, t_1, \dots, t_k \in K, \text{ and } v \in K^*.$ 

(2) x is called a (QS, 1)-element if x can be written as

$$x_{\alpha_{\mathbf{i}}}^{(1)}(t)x_{-\alpha}^{(-1)}(u)x_{\beta_{\mathbf{i}}}^{(m_{\mathbf{i}})}(t_{\mathbf{i}})\cdots x_{\alpha_{\mathbf{k}}}^{(m_{\mathbf{k}})}(t_{\mathbf{k}})x_{\alpha}^{(1)}(v),$$

where  $\beta_j^{(m_j)} \in \mathcal{A}_1^+ - \{\alpha^{(1)}\}, k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, t, u, t_1, \dots, t_k \in K$ , and  $v \in K^*$ .

(3) x is called an (S, 0)-element (resp. (S, 1)-element) if x is a (QS, 0)-element (resp. (QS, 1)-element) with u=0.

LEMMA 3.4 Let x be in E and  $\lambda=0$ , 1. If x is an  $(S, \lambda)$ -element, then  $w_{\lambda}xw_{\lambda}^{-1} \in S_{\lambda}$ .

PROOF Set  $\lambda=0$ . We proceed by induction on k. If t=0, clearly  $w_0xw_0^{-1} \in S_0$  by Lemma 3.3. Assume  $t \neq 0$ . If  $\beta_1^{(m_1)} = -a^{(m)}$ , m>0, then

$$w_0 x w_0^{-1} = w_0 x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(t) x_{-\alpha}^{(m)}(t_1) x_{\beta_2}^{(m_2)}(t_2) \cdots x_{\beta_k}^{(m_k)}(t_k) x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(v) w_0^{-1}$$

$$= w_0 x_{-\alpha}^{(m)}(t_1) x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(t) x_{\beta_2}^{(m_2)}(t_2) \cdots x_{\beta_k}^{(m_k)}(t_k) x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(v) w_0^{-1} \in X_{\alpha}^{(m)} S_0 = S_0.$$

If  $\beta_1^{(m_1)} = \alpha^{(m)}$ , m > 0, then

$$w_{0}xw_{0}^{-1} = x_{\alpha}^{(0)}(-t)x_{-\alpha}^{(m)}(-t_{1})x_{2}\cdots x_{k}x_{\alpha}^{(0)}(-v)$$

$$= x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-t^{-1})w_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(t^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-t^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(m)}(-t_{1})x_{2}\cdots x_{k}x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-v^{-1})w_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(v^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-v^{-1})$$

$$\in Bw_{0}x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-t^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(m)}(-t_{1})x_{2}\cdots x_{k}x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-v^{-1})w_{0}^{-1}B\subseteq BS_{0}B=S_{0},$$

where  $x_j = w_0 x_{\beta j}^{(mj)}(t_j) w_0^{-1}$ ,  $2 \le j \le k$ . The case when  $\lambda = 1$  is similarly shown. q.e.d.

LEMMA 3.5 Let x be in E.

- (1) If x is an (S, 0)-element, then  $w_0 x w_0^{-1} \in Bw_0 X_{-\alpha}^{(0)} X_{\alpha}^{(0)} w_0^{-1}$ .
- (2) If x is an (S, 1)-element, then  $w_1 x w_1^{-1} \in Bw_1 X_{\alpha}^{(1)} X_{-\alpha}^{(-1)} w_1^{-1}$ .

PROOF Proceed by induction on k as in Lemma 3.4. Then we have (1) and

(2). q. e. d.

LEMMA 3.6 Let x be in E and  $\lambda=0$ , 1. If x is a  $(QS, \lambda)$ -element, then  $w_{\lambda}xw_{\lambda}^{-1} \in S_{\lambda}$ .

PROOF Set  $\lambda=0$ . If t=0, clearly  $w_0xw_0^{-1} \in S_0$  by Lemma 3.3. Assume  $t \neq 0$ . Then

$$w_{0}xw_{0}^{-1} = x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-t^{-1})w_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(t^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-t^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-u)$$

$$\times x_{1}\cdots x_{k}x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-v^{-1})w_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(v^{-1})x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-v^{-1})$$

$$\in Bw_{0}x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-t^{-1}-u)x_{1}\cdots x_{k}x_{-\alpha}^{(0)}(-v^{-1})w_{0}B\subseteq BS_{0}B=S_{0},$$

where  $x_j = w_0 x_{\beta j}^{(mj)}(t_j) w_0^{-1}$ ,  $1 \le j \le k$ . The case when  $\lambda = 1$  is similarly shown. q.e.d.

LEMMA 3.7 Let x be in E.

(1) If x is a (QS, 0)-element, then

$$w_0 x w_0^{-1} \in B w_0 X_{-\alpha}^{(0)} X_{\alpha}^{(0)} w_0^{-1}$$
.

(2) If x is a (QS, 1)-element, then

$$w_1 x w_1^{-1} \in Bw_1 X_{\alpha}^{(1)} X_{-\alpha}^{(-1)} w_1^{-1}$$
.

Proof Lemma 3.5 implies this lemma. q.e.d.

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 3.2 Set  $\lambda=0$  and let x be in U. We can assume  $x=x_1\cdots x_k$ , where  $x_j$  is an (S,0)-element,  $1\leq j\leq k$ . If k=1,  $w_0xw_0^{-1}\in S_0$  by Lemma 3.4. Assume k>1. By Lemma 3.5,  $w_0x_1w_0^{-1}\in Bw_0X_{-\alpha}^{(0)}X_{\alpha}^{(0)}w_0^{-1}$ . Thus we have  $w_0x_1x_2w_0^{-1}=b_2w_0y_2w_0^{-1}$ , where  $b_2\in B$  and  $y_2$  is a (QS,0)-element. By Lemma 3.7,  $w_0x_1x_2x_3w_0^{-1}=b_3w_0y_3w_0^{-1}$ , where  $b_3\in B$  and  $y_3$  is a (QS,0)-element. Recurrently we have  $w_0xw_0^{-1}=bw_0yw_0^{-1}$ , where  $b\in B$  and y is a (QS,0)-element. By Lemma 3.6,  $w_0xw_0^{-1}\in S_0$ . The case when  $\lambda=1$  is similarly shown. q. e. d.

#### 4. Proof of Main Theorem.

Notation is as in § 2. A quadruple  $(G^*, B^*, N^*, S^*)$  consisting of four sets  $G^*$ ,  $B^*$ ,  $N^*$ , and  $S^*$  is called a Tits' system if the following axioms are satisfied (cf. [2]):

- (T1)  $G^*$  is a group, and  $B^*$  and  $N^*$  are subgroups of  $G^*$  such that  $G^*$  is generated by  $B^*$  and  $N^*$ , and  $B^* \cap N^* \triangleleft N^*$ ;
- (T2)  $S^*$  is a subset of the group  $N^*/(B^* \cap N^*)$  consisting of involutions and generates  $N^*/(B^* \cap N^*)$ ;
- (T3) For any  $\sigma \in S^*$  and  $w \in N^*/(B^* \cap N^*)$ ,  $wB^*\sigma \subseteq B^*wB^* \cup B^*w\sigma B^*$ ;
- (T4) For any  $\sigma \in S^*$ ,  $\sigma B^* \sigma \subseteq B^*$ .

To prove Theorem 2.1 we proceed in steps. For each  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \mathcal{A}_1$ , let  $X_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  be the subgroup of  $E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  generated by  $x_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)$  for all  $t \in K$ . Let  $\alpha^{(m)}$  and  $\beta^{(n)}$ 

be in  $\Delta_1$  such that  $\alpha + \beta \neq 0$ . Then, by Lemma 2.2,

$$(4.1) [X_{\alpha}^{(m)}, X_{\beta}^{(n)}] \subseteq \langle X_{\gamma}^{(k)}; \gamma = i\alpha + j\beta \in \Delta, k = im + jn, i, j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rangle.$$

For each  $\alpha \in \Delta^+$ , set  $P_{\alpha} = \langle X_{\alpha}^{(m)}, X_{-\alpha}^{(n)}; m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \rangle$  and  $Q_{\alpha} = \langle X_{\beta}^{(m)}, X_{\beta}^{(n)}; \beta \in \Delta^+ -\{\alpha\}, m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \rangle$ . Then (4.1) implies

$$(4.2) U = P_{\alpha}Q_{\alpha}.$$

Let  $\sigma$  be in Y. We can write  $\sigma = w_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  for some  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}^+$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  because  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  coincides with  $w_{-\alpha}^{(-n)}$ . Then, by Theorem 3.1 and (4.2),

$$\sigma B \sigma^{-1} = \sigma (P_{\alpha} Q_{\alpha} H_0) \sigma^{-1}$$

$$= (\sigma P_{\alpha} \sigma^{-1}) (\sigma Q_{\alpha} \sigma^{-1}) (\sigma H_0 \sigma^{-1})$$

$$\subseteq (B \cup B \sigma B) B H_0$$

$$= B \cup B \sigma B.$$

Hence

(4.3)  $B \cup B \sigma B$  is a subgroup of E.

We see that  $E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  acts on  $\mathfrak{q}_K = K[T, T^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} L_{\mathbb{Z}}$  naturally, i.e.

$$x_{\alpha}^{(n)}(t)(f \otimes v) = (\exp \operatorname{ad} tT^{n}e_{\alpha})(f \otimes v),$$

where  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \mathcal{A}_1$ ,  $t \in K$ ,  $f \in K[T, T^{-1}]$  and  $v \in L_{\mathbf{Z}}$ . For each  $\beta^{(m)} \in \mathcal{A}_1$ , set  $e_{\beta}^{(m)} = T^m e_{\beta}$ ,  $h_{\beta} = [e_{\beta}, e_{-\beta}]$  and  $h_{\beta}^{(m)} = T^m h_{\beta}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}_K$ . Let g be in U and  $\alpha^{(n)}$  in  $\Pi_1$ , and set  $J_{\alpha}^{(n)} = \sum_{\beta^{(m)} \in \mathcal{A}_1^{+} - \{\alpha^{(n)}\}} K e_{\beta}^{(m)}$ . Write  $g e_{-\alpha}^{(-n)} = e_{-\alpha}^{(-n)} + \zeta h_{\alpha}^{(0)} - \zeta^2 e_{\alpha}^{(n)} + z$ , where  $\zeta \in K$  and  $z \in J_{\alpha}^{(n)}$ . Let  $\theta_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  be a map of U onto K defined by  $\theta_{\alpha}^{(n)}(g) = \zeta$ . As  $g h_{\alpha}^{(0)} = h_{\alpha}^{(0)} - 2\zeta e_{\alpha}^{(n)} + z'$   $(z' \in J_{\alpha}^{(n)})$  and  $g J_{\alpha}^{(n)} \subseteq J_{\alpha}^{(n)}$ , the map  $\theta_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  is a group homomorphism of U onto the additive group  $K^+$  of K. Let  $D_{\alpha}^{(n)}$  be the kernel of the homomorphism  $\theta_{\alpha}^{(n)}$ . By (4.3),

$$w_{\alpha}^{(n)}D_{\alpha}^{(n)}w_{\alpha}^{(n)-1}\subseteq B\cup Bw_{\alpha}^{(n)}B.$$

For any  $x \in D_{\alpha}^{(n)}$ ,  $(w_{\alpha}^{(n)} x w_{\alpha}^{(n)-1}) e_{\alpha}^{(n)} = e_{\alpha}^{(n)} + z'' \ (z'' \in J_{\alpha}^{(n)})$ , so  $w_{\alpha}^{(n)} x w_{\alpha}^{(n)-1}$  can not be in  $Bw_{\alpha}^{(n)}B$ . Thus,

$$(4.4) w_a^{(n)} D_a^{(n)} w_a^{(n)-1} \subseteq B.$$

If g is in U,  $\alpha^{(n)} \in \Pi_1$  and  $\theta_{\alpha}^{(n)}(g) = \zeta$ , then  $gx_{\alpha}^{(n)}(-\zeta) \in D_{\alpha}^{(n)}$ . Hence,

$$(4.5) U=D_{\alpha}^{(n)}\cdot X_{\alpha}^{(n)}.$$

Let  $\alpha^{(n)}$  be in  $\Pi_1$  and w in  $W_1$ , and set  $\sigma = w_{\alpha}^{(n)}$ . If  $N(w\sigma) > N(w)$ , then (4.4) and (4.5) imply

$$(BwB)(B\sigma B) = Bw(X_{\alpha}^{(n)}D_{\alpha}^{(n)}H_{0})\sigma B$$

$$= B(wX_{\alpha}^{(n)}w^{-1})w\sigma(\sigma^{-1}D_{\alpha}^{(n)}\sigma)(\sigma^{-1}H_{0}\sigma)B$$

$$= Bw\sigma B,$$

Assume  $N(w\sigma) < N(w)$ . Set  $w' = w\sigma$ , then  $N(w'\sigma) > N(w')$ . Thus,

$$(BwB)(B\sigma B) = (Bw'\sigma B)(B\sigma B)$$

$$= (Bw'B)(B\sigma B)(B\sigma B)$$

$$\subseteq (Bw'B)(B \cup B\sigma B)$$

$$= (Bw'B) \cup (Bw'BB\sigma B)$$

$$= (Bw\sigma B) \cup (BwB).$$

In general, we have

$$(4.6) (BwB)(B\sigma B) \subseteq (Bw\sigma B) \cup (Bw).$$

By the definition,  $B \cap N \supseteq H_0$ . Conversely let x be in  $B \cap N$ . Then  $\bar{x} \in W_1$ , where  $\bar{x}$  is the image of x under the canonical homomorphism — of N onto  $N/H_0$ . Since x is in B,  $\bar{x} \mathcal{L}_1^+ \subseteq \mathcal{L}_1^+$ , hence  $N(\bar{x}) = 0$ . Thus  $\bar{x} = 1$  and  $x \in H_0$ . This implies

$$(4.7) B \cap N = H_0.$$

These facts show that (E, B, N, S) is a Tits' system.

#### REMARKS

- 1. There exists a canonical group homomorphism of the group  $G_K$  defined by Moody and Teo (cf. [7]) onto our group E under the following conditions: (1)  $G_K$  is defined over a 1-tiered Euclidean Cartan matrix, (2) char K=0 or  $\geq 5$ , (3)  $\rho$  is of adjoint type.
- 2. If the scheme G is simply connected (i.e.  $\rho$  is of universal type), then  $G(K[T, T^{-1}]) = E(K[T, T^{-1}])$ .
- 3. The group  $E(K[T, T^{-1}])$  is not simple. Congruence subgroups, for example, are normal subgroups.
- 4. For 2-tiered or 3-tiered Euclidean types, the corresponding groups would be the twisted Chevalley groups over  $K[T, T^{-1}]$ .

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