

Algebraic construction of contragredient quasi-Verma modules in positive characteristic

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§1. Introduction.

The paper grew out of attempts to fill the gap in the proof of Proposition 3.7.1 (ii) in [Ar8]. Let us recall the setting there. Denote by $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ the Lusztig version of the quantum group for the root data (Y, X, \dots) of the finite type (I, \cdot) defined over the algebra $\mathcal{A} = \mathbb{Z}[v, v^{-1}]$ of Laurent polynomials in the variable v . Like in [L1] consider the specialization of $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ in characteristic p . Namely let \mathcal{A}'_p be the quotient of \mathcal{A} by the ideal generated by the p -th cyclotomic polynomial. Then $\mathcal{A}'_p/(v-1)$ is isomorphic to the finite field \mathbb{F}_p . Thus the algebraic closure $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$ becomes a \mathcal{A} -algebra. We set $U_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p} := U_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} \overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$. Let \mathfrak{g} be the semisimple Lie algebra corresponding to the above root data. It is known that the quotient of the algebra $U_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p}$ by certain central elements denoted by $U_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p}(\mathfrak{g})$ (see [L1], the precise statement is given below, in 5.4) is isomorphic to $U_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes \overline{\mathbb{F}}_p$, where $U_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathfrak{g})$ denotes the Kostant integral form for the universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{g} (see 3.1 for the definition of $U_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathfrak{g})$).

Recall that an important step in [Ar8] consisted of constructing a certain complex of $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ -modules $\mathbb{D}B_{\mathcal{A}}^*(\lambda)$ for a regular dominant integral weight λ called the contragredient quasi-BGG complex over $U_{\mathcal{A}}$. The modules in the complex are enumerated by the Weyl group in the standard Bruhat order and are called the contragredient quasi-Verma modules. This complex appears to be a quantum analogue of a certain classical object.

Namely consider the Flag variety $\mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p}$ for the group $G_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p}$ and the standard linear bundle $\mathcal{L}(\lambda)$ on it. It is known that $\mathcal{B}_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p}$ is stratified by $B_{\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p}^+$ -orbits $\{C_{w, \overline{\mathbb{F}}_p} \mid w \in W\}$ called the Schubert cells. Here and below W denotes the Weyl group corresponding to the root data. Consider the

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