

## A Duality of a Twisted Group Algebra of the Hyperoctahedral Group and the Queer Lie Superalgebra

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### §1. Introduction

We establish a duality relation (Theorem 4.2) between one of the twisted group algebras of the hyperoctahedral group  $H_k$  (or the Weyl group of type  $B_k$ ) and a Lie superalgebra  $\mathfrak{q}(n_0) \oplus \mathfrak{q}(n_1)$  for any integers  $k \geq 4$  and  $n_0, n_1 \geq 1$ . Here  $\mathfrak{q}(n_0)$  and  $\mathfrak{q}(n_1)$  denote the “queer” Lie superalgebras as called by some authors. The twisted group algebra  $\mathcal{B}'_k$  in focus in this paper belongs to a different cocycle from the one  $\mathcal{B}_k$  used by A. N. Sergeev in his work [8] on a duality with  $\mathfrak{q}(n)$  and by the present author in a previous work [11]. This  $\mathcal{B}'_k$  contains the twisted group algebra  $\mathcal{A}_k$  of the symmetric group  $\mathfrak{S}_k$  in a straightforward manner (cf. §1. 1. 1), and has a structure similar to the semidirect product of  $\mathcal{A}_k$  and  $\mathbb{C}[(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^k]$ . ( $\mathcal{B}'_k$  and  $\mathcal{B}_k$  were denoted by  $\mathbb{C}^{[-1,+1,+1]}W_k$  and  $\mathbb{C}^{[+1,+1,-1]}W_k$  respectively by J. R. Stembridge in [10].)

In §2, we construct the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded simple  $\mathcal{B}'_k$ -modules (where  $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ ) using an analogue of the little group method. These simple  $\mathcal{B}'_k$ -modules are slightly different from the non-graded simple  $\mathcal{B}'_k$ -modules constructed by Stembridge in [10] because of the difference between  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded and non-graded theories, but they can easily be translated into each other. We will use the algebra  $\mathcal{C}_k \dot{\otimes} \mathcal{B}'_k$ , where  $\mathcal{C}_k$  is the  $2^k$ -dimensional Clifford algebra (cf. (3.2)) and  $\dot{\otimes}$  denotes the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded tensor product (cf. [1], [2], [11, §1]), as an intermediary for establishing our duality, as we explain below. The construction of the simple  $\mathcal{B}'_k$ -modules leads to a construction of the simple  $\mathcal{C}_k \dot{\otimes} \mathcal{B}'_k$ -modules in §3.

In §4, we define a representation of  $\mathcal{C}_k \dot{\otimes} \mathcal{B}'_k$  in the  $k$ -fold tensor product  $W = V^{\otimes k}$  of  $V = \mathbb{C}^{n_0+n_1} \oplus \mathbb{C}^{n_0+n_1}$ , the space of the natural representation of the Lie superalgebra  $\mathfrak{q}(n_0 + n_1)$ . This representation