

Introduction to Character Varieties, Part II

$\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ as a case study.

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Generators and the Non-Commutative Picture

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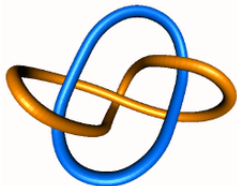
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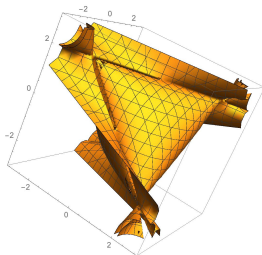
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Rank 4 Case

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$$\begin{aligned} f_1 = & 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2 - 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2 - \\ & 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2 + 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2 + \\ & 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \\ & 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ACD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - \\ & 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \\ & 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - \\ & 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC}) + 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABD}) - 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ACD}) - \\ & 12\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD}) + 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) + 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) + \\ & 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) + 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) - 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) \end{aligned}$$

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& 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})^2 - 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) + \\
& 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - \\
& 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) + \\
& 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) + 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) + \\
& 3\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC}) + 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABD}) + \\
& 12\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ACD}) + 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD}) - 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - 6\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) - \\
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& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC}) + \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC}) + \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2 + \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2 + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2 + \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2 - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2 - 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD}) - \\
& 72\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD}) - 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD}) + 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ACD}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ACD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) \dots
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& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ACD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) + 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})^2\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) + \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})
\end{aligned}$$

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f_{11} = & -18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})^2 + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})^2 + \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})^2 - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2 + 72\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD}) + \\
& 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD}) + 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD}) + 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{ABC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) - \\
& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BCD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C}) + \\
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& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})^2\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) - 36\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D}) - \\
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& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD}) + 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AB})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{CD})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD}) - \\
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& 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{BC})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD}) - 18\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{B})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{C})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{D})\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{AD}) - \\
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