

## Quantized symplectic singularities & applications to Lie theory, Lec 4.

- 1) Quantizations of  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$
- 2) Harish-Chandra bimodules.
- 3) Complements.

### 1.0) Recap.

Let  $G$  be a semisimple algebraic group,  $\mathfrak{o}$  its Lie algebra,  $\mathcal{O}$  a nilpotent orbit in  $\mathfrak{o}$  &  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  a  $G$ -equivariant cover of  $\mathcal{O}$ . Let  $A := \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ ,  $X = \text{Spec } A$ . In Section 3 of Lec 2, we have stated that the filtered quantizations are classified by the points of  $\mathfrak{h}_X/W_X$ , where  $\mathfrak{h}_X$  is a finite dimensional vector space and  $W_X$  is a crystallographic reflection group. We have explained how to compute  $\mathfrak{h}_X$ :  $\mathfrak{h}_X = H^2(Y^{\text{reg}}, \mathbb{C})$ , where  $Y$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial terminalization of  $X$ , Section 1.2 of Lec 3. According to Sec 2 of Lec 3,  $Y$  has the following form. Pick a Levi subgroup  $L \subset G$ , and an  $L$ -equivariant cover  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L$  of a nilpotent orbit in  $\mathfrak{l}^*$ . Suppose  $X_L := \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L]$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial terminal.

Let  $P$  be a parabolic subgroup of  $G$  w. Levi  $L$ . Consider the Hamiltonian action of  $P$  on  $T^*G \times X_L$ ,  $p(g, \alpha, x) = (gp^{-1}, p\alpha, px)$ . The moment map is  $\mu: T^*G \times X_L \rightarrow \mathfrak{p}^*$ ,  $(g, \alpha, x) \mapsto -\alpha|_{\mathfrak{p}} + \mu_L(x)$ . Then  $Y = \mu^{-1}(0)/P \simeq G \times^P (X_L \times (g/\mathfrak{p})^*)$ . This is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial terminalization of  $X = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ , where  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \subset Y$  is the open  $G$ -orbit. (depending only on  $L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L$ ). We have  $\mathfrak{h}_X = H^2(Y^{\text{reg}}, \mathbb{C}) = (\mathfrak{l}/[\mathfrak{l}, \mathfrak{l}])^*$ .

An important remark is in order. As was discussed in Sec 1 of Lec 2,  $\mathbb{C}^* \curvearrowright X_\lambda$  rescaling the Poisson bracket by  $t \mapsto t^{-d}$  for some  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . Consider the action of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  on  $T^*G \times X_\lambda$  by  $t \cdot (g, \omega, x) = (g, t^{-d}\omega, t \cdot x)$ . It descends to  $Y = G/P$  & rescales  $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$  on  $\mathcal{O}_Y$  by  $t \mapsto t^{-d}$ .

### 1.1) Quantization of $Y$ .

Let  $\gamma: Y = G \times^P (X_\lambda \times (g/P)^*) \rightarrow G/P$  denote the projection, it's  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -invariant. So  $\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  becomes the sheaf of (positively) graded Poisson algebras on  $G/P$ . We can talk about its filtered quantizations: quasicoherent sheaves  $\mathcal{D}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ -modules equipped w.

- an associative  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra structure,
- a filtration  $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} \mathcal{D}_{\leq i}$  by  $\mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ -submodules satisfying  $[\mathcal{D}_{\leq i}, \mathcal{D}_{\leq j}] \subset \mathcal{D}_{\leq i+j-d} \cong \{\cdot, \cdot\}$  on  $\text{gr } \mathcal{D}$
- and an  $\mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ -linear isomorphism  $\text{gr } \mathcal{D} \xrightarrow{\sim} \gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  of graded Poisson algebras.

Goal: for  $\lambda \in (\mathbb{C}/[\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}])^*$  produce a filtered quantization  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  of  $\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_{G/P}$ .

For this we "quantize" the construction of  $Y$ .

- As was mentioned in Sec 2 of Lec 3,  $H^2(X_\lambda^\text{reg}, \mathbb{C}) = \{0\}$ .

So by Theorem in Sec 3 of Lec 2,  $\mathbb{C}[X_\lambda]$  admits a unique filtered quantization, to be denoted by  $\mathcal{R}_\lambda$ . A quantum

counterpart of  $\mathbb{C}[T^*G] \otimes \mathbb{C}[X_L]$  is  $\mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_L$ .

- We have the classical comoment map

$$\varphi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[T^*G] \otimes \mathbb{C}[X_L]$$

$\varphi(\xi) = -\xi_r \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \varphi_L(\xi)$ , where  $\xi_r$  is the left-invariant vector field on  $G$  corresponding to  $\xi$  (and viewed as a fiber-wise linear function on  $T^*G$ ), and  $\varphi_L: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[X_L]$  is the comoment map — dual to  $X_L \rightarrow \mathfrak{l}^* \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{g}^*$ . Note that  $\varphi(\xi)$  is a homogeneous deg  $d$  element.

We need a quantum counterpart of  $\varphi$ .

**Definition:** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an associative algebra w. a rational action of an algebraic group  $R$  by algebra automorphisms. By a **quantum comoment map** for this action we mean an  $R$ -equivariant linear map  $\Phi: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  s.t.  $[\Phi(\xi), \cdot] = \xi_{\mathcal{A}} + \xi \in \mathfrak{g}$ .

**Example:**  $\xi \mapsto -\xi_r$  (resp.  $\xi \mapsto \xi_e$ ):  $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(G)$  is a quantum comoment map for  $G \curvearrowright \mathcal{D}(G)$  induced by  $G \curvearrowright G$  from the right (resp. left).

**Exercise 1:** Assume  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_L$  is an arbitrary  $L$ -equivariant cover of a nilpotent  $L$ -orbit. Show that  $\varphi_L: \mathfrak{l} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[X_L]$  lifts to a Lie algebra homomorphism  $\Phi_L: \mathfrak{l} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{L,\leq d}$  (meaning that  $\Phi_L \bmod \mathcal{A}_{L,\leq d-1} = \varphi_L$ ). Moreover,  $\exists!$  lift that vanishes on  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{l})$ . Finally,  $L$  acts on  $\mathcal{A}_L$  by filtered algebra homomorphisms so that  $\Phi_L$  is a quantum comoment map.

Take this lift and inflate it to  $\varphi_L: \mathfrak{f} \rightarrow \mathfrak{f}_L$ .

Now we are ready to define  $\varphi_\lambda: \mathfrak{f} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathfrak{f}_L$  for  $\lambda \in (L/L^\vee)^*$ . Let  $\rho_{G/P}$  denote  $\frac{1}{2}$ (the character of  $L$  in  $\Lambda^{\text{top}}(G/P)$ ). We can view  $\lambda, \rho_{G/P}$  as characters of  $\mathfrak{f}$  via  $\mathfrak{f} \rightarrow L$ . Set

$$\varphi_\lambda(\xi) = -\xi_r \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \varphi_L(\xi) - \langle \lambda - \rho_{G/P}, \xi \rangle.$$

This a quantum comoment map.

- To get a quantization of  $Y$  we perform the quantum Hamiltonian reduction.

**Exercise 2:** Let  $R, \mathfrak{A}, \varPhi$  have the same meaning as in the definition above. Show that  $[\mathfrak{A}/\mathfrak{A}\varPhi(r)]^R$  has a unique associative algebra structure s.t.

$$(a + \mathfrak{A}\varPhi(r)) \cdot (b + \mathfrak{A}\varPhi(r)) = ab + \mathfrak{A}\varPhi(r)$$

This algebra is known as the **quantum Hamiltonian reduction**.

**Remark:** Note that if  $\mathfrak{A}$  is filtered w.  $\deg [\cdot, \cdot] \leq -d$  ( $[\mathfrak{A}_{\leq i}, \mathfrak{A}_{\leq j}] \subset \mathfrak{A}_{\leq i+j-d}$ ) &  $\text{im } \varPhi \subset \mathfrak{A}_{\leq d}$ , then  $[\mathfrak{A}/\mathfrak{A}\varPhi(r)]^R$  inherits a filtration from  $\mathfrak{A}$  &  $\deg [\cdot, \cdot] \leq -d$ .

Apply this to our situation. Let  $\mathfrak{A} = \mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathfrak{f}_L$ , we can view it as a  $P$ -equivariant quasicoherent sheaf on  $G$ . So is  $\mathfrak{A}/\mathfrak{A}\varPhi_\lambda(\mathfrak{f})$ . Recall the projection  $\omega: G \rightarrow G/P$  and set

$$\mathcal{D}_\lambda := [\omega_* (\mathfrak{A}/\mathfrak{A}\varPhi_\lambda(\mathfrak{f}))]^P$$

Using the important exercise we equip  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  (sheaf of) algebra structure. It's filtered by Remark after the exercise. We will elaborate on this and a proof of the fact below in the complement section.

Fact:  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  is a filtered quantization of  $\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$ .

Example: Let  $X = Y$ ,  $Y = T^*(G/B)$  (so  $L = T$ ,  $P = B$ ,  $X_\lambda = \mathcal{O}_Y$ ). In this case  $p_{G/B}$  is the usual  $p$  and  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda = \mathcal{D}_{G/B}^{\lambda-p}$ , the sheaf of  $(\lambda-p)$ -twisted differential operators. More generally, we get twisted diff. operators in the case when  $Y = T^*(G/P)$ .

Remarks:

- In fact, all filtered quantizations of  $\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  are of the form  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$ , and  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda \neq \mathcal{D}_{\lambda'}$  for  $\lambda \neq \lambda'$ . We'll comment on this in the complement section.

• One could (and should) ask what  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda$  looks like. To an extent, this is addressed in the next section.

## 1.2) Quantizations of $\mathbb{C}[X]$ .

Proposition:  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda := \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda)$  is a filtered quantization of  $\mathbb{C}[X]$ .

Sketch of proof: this is a formal consequence of

$$(1) \text{gr } \mathcal{D}_\lambda = \gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$$

$$(2) \Gamma(G/P, \gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y) (= \mathbb{C}[Y]) \xleftarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}[X],$$

$$(3) H^1(G/P, \gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y) (= H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)) = 0.$$

(1) is Fact in Sec 1.1; (2) & (3) follows from the following algebro-geometric fact: if  $X$  is singular symplectic,  $Y$  is normal & Poisson w. a proper birational morphism  $\pi: Y \rightarrow X$ , then  $\pi_* \mathcal{O}_Y \subsetneq \mathcal{O}_X$  &  $R^i \pi_* \mathcal{O}_Y = 0 \nexists i \geq 0$  (the latter follows from symplectic singularities being "rational"- shown by Beauville). Using this vanishing one checks that  $\text{gr } \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(\text{gr } \mathcal{D}_\lambda)$ , which then implies  $\Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda)$  is a filtered quantization of  $\mathbb{C}[Y] = \mathbb{C}[X]$ .

Let's explain how  $\text{gr } \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(\text{gr } \mathcal{D}_\lambda)$  follows:  $\text{gr } \mathcal{D}_\lambda = \gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  gives SES's:  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i} \rightarrow (\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y)_i \rightarrow 0 \nexists i \geq 0$ . We know  $H^1(G/P, (\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y)_i) = 0 \nexists i \geq 0$ . By induction,  $H^1(G/P, \mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i-1}) = 0 \nexists i \geq 0$   $\Rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i-1}) \rightarrow \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\lambda, \leq i}) \rightarrow \Gamma((\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y)_i) \rightarrow 0$   $\Leftrightarrow \text{gr } \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_\lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(\text{gr } \mathcal{D}_\lambda)$ .  $\square$

Example: For  $X = \mathcal{N}$ ,  $Y = T^*(G/B)$ , it's classically known that  $\Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{G/B}^{\lambda-\text{reg}}) = \mathcal{U}_\lambda$  ( $= \mathcal{U}(g)/\mathcal{U}(g) m_\lambda$ ) from Sec 3 of Lec 2.

Remarks:

I)  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$ 's are pairwise distinct as quantizations, but  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda$ 's aren't. First, one can determine when  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda \simeq \mathcal{A}_{\lambda'}$ , a  $G$ -equivariant filtered algebra isomorphism.

Consider  $N_G(L) \subset G$ . This group acts on  $L$  and hence on  $L$ -equivariant covers of nilpotent orbits (by twisting the  $L$ -action - and hence the moment map). So it makes sense to speak about the stabilizer of  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_L$  under this action (if  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_L \subset L^*$ ,

then this is just all elements of  $N_G(L)$  that preserve  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  as a subset). Denote this subgroup of  $N_G(L)$  by  $N_G(L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L)$ . We have  $L \trianglelefteq N_G(L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L)$  &  $N_G(L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L)/L \cong (L/[L, L])^*$ .

Claim (basically, I.L. 16):  $\mathcal{R}_\lambda \simeq \mathcal{R}_{\lambda'}$ , as filtered algebras  $\iff \lambda, \lambda'$  are in the same  $N_G(L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L)$ -orbit.

Comment:  $Y$  depends on the choice of  $P$  & so does  $D_\lambda$  but one can show that  $\mathcal{R}_\lambda$  doesn't. Let use  $P$  as a superscript to indicate the dependence on  $P$ :  $Y^P, D_\lambda^P$ . Then  $n$  gives rise to  $Y^P \xrightarrow{\sim} Y^{nP}$ ,  $D_\lambda^P \xrightarrow{\sim} D_{n\lambda}^{nP} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{R}_\lambda = \Gamma(D_\lambda^P) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(D_{n\lambda}^{nP}) = \mathcal{R}_{n\lambda}$ . This proves  $\Leftarrow$  in the proposition  $\square$

One can use the claim & the comment to describe  $W_X$  and hence to answer when  $\mathcal{R}_\lambda \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{R}_{\lambda'}$ , as quantizations. Note that a filtered algebra isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}_\lambda \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{R}_{\lambda'}$  gives a Poisson graded algebra automorphism of  $\mathbb{C}[X]$ . These automorphisms form a group that can be shown to coincide w. the group  $\text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})$  of  $G$ -equivariant symplectomorphisms of  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ , it's finite. So we get a group homomorphism  $N_G(L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})$ .

Fact 2 (I.L., Namikawa) We have SES

$$1 \rightarrow W_X \rightarrow N_G(L, \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_L)/L \rightarrow \text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}) \rightarrow 1.$$

For example when  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \simeq \mathcal{O} \text{ csg}^*$ , then  $\text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}) = 1$ .

II) Using this description (and some more) we can produce an algebraic version of Orbit method, essentially as conjectured by Vogan in the 90's.

Thm (LMBM'21): There's a natural bijection between:

- 1) Filtered quantizations of  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$  for all equivariant covers  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  of nilpotent orbits, up to filtered algebra iso.
- 2) All equivariant covers of all (co)adjoint  $G$ -orbits.

Under this correspondence, the cover  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  of a nilpotent orbit (in 2)) goes to the quantization  $\mathfrak{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$  of  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ , the canonical quantization.

III) Can we describe  $\mathfrak{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$  "explicitly"? We can e.g. when  $\lambda=0$  &  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \subset \mathfrak{g}^*$ .

By Exercise 1 (also can be seen by the construction), we have the unique quantum comoment map  $\Phi_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}} : \mathcal{U}(g) \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$ . The following result requires quite a lot of work (and describes  $\mathfrak{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$  as an algebra w/o filtration).

Thm (LMBM & MBM): •  $\mathfrak{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$  is a simple algebra

- $\ker \Phi_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$  is a maximal ideal (that we can recover starting from  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ )
- If  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}(\subset \mathfrak{g}^*)$ , then  $\text{im } \Phi = \mathfrak{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}$  (more generally, if  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}/\text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ , then  $\text{im } \Phi = \mathfrak{A}_{\tilde{\mathcal{O}}}^{\text{Aut}_G(\tilde{\mathcal{O}})}$ ).

## 2) Harish-Chandra bimodules.

**Definition (classical):** A  $\text{HC } \mathcal{U}(g)$ -bimodule is a finitely generated  $\mathcal{U}(g)$ -bimodule  $\mathcal{B}$  that is "ad( $g$ )-locally finite":  $\forall b \in \mathcal{B} \exists$  fin. dim'l ad( $g$ )-stable subspace  $\mathcal{B}_0 \subset \mathcal{B}$  w.  $b \in \mathcal{B}_0$ .

**Example:** •  $\mathcal{U}(g)$  is HC bimodule

- Every sub- & quotient bimodule of a HC bimodule is HC

**Exercise:** • Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional  $g$ -rep'n. Show that  $V \otimes \mathcal{U}(g)$  is a HC bimodule w.r.t.  $(v \otimes a)f := v \otimes af$ ,  $f(v \otimes a) := \bar{f}v \otimes a + V \otimes \bar{f}a$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $a \in \mathcal{U}(g)$ ,  $f \in g$ .

- Moreover, every HC bimodule is a quotient of some  $V \otimes \mathcal{U}(g)$ .

Let's explain why Harish-Chandra cared: he wanted to have algebraic counterparts of unitary rep's. For simplicity, assume  $G$  is simply connected. Let  $H$  be a unitary  $G$ -representation (some kind of  $L^2$ -space). Inside, there's the " $C^\infty$ -part",  $C^\infty(H)$ , it now carries a  $g$ -action, by skew-Hermitian operators.

Let  $K \subset G$  be a max'l compact subgroup. Consider the "K-finite part"  $C^\infty(H)_{K\text{-fin}}$  consisting of all vectors lying in  $K$ -stable fin. dim'l subspaces. This is a complex vector space w.  $g$ -action. If a real Lie algebra (resp. algebraic group) acts on a complex vector space, then the action extends to the complexification. So  $(g \otimes_R \mathbb{C}, K_C)$  act on  $C^\infty(H)_{K\text{-fin}}$  act (compatibly). Of course,  $g \otimes_R \mathbb{C} \cong g \oplus g$  &  $\text{Lie}(K_C) = g$  embedded into  $g \oplus g$  diagonally.

A  $\mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$ -module is the same thing as a  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module. The action of the diagonal copy of  $\mathfrak{g}$  becomes the adjoint action. So  $C^\infty(H)_{K\text{-fin}}$  becomes a  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -bimodule w. locally finite  $\text{ad}(\mathfrak{g})$ -action.

Thm (Harish-Chandra):  $H \mapsto C^\infty(H)_{K\text{-fin}}$  defines a bijection between:

- Unitary irreps  $H$  of  $G$
- Irreducible HC bimodules that are "unitarizable": have a positive definite Hermitian form w. certain invariance property (saying that  $\mathfrak{g} \subset \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} \simeq \mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}$  acts by skew-Hermitian operators).

While this "algebrizes" the problem of classifying unitary  $G$ -irreps, the unitarizability condition is still very hard to check. Experimental evidence suggests that the class of unitarizable HC  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules has "big intersection" with HC bimodules over quantizations of  $\mathbb{C}[\widetilde{D}]$ 's. We will discuss those in the final lecture.

### 3) Complements

#### 3.1) Comments on the classification of quantizations of $\mathcal{O}_Y$ .

- Why  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  is a filtered quantization of  $\mathcal{O}_Y$ . In general,  $\varphi = \Phi + \mathcal{R}_{\leq d-1}$ , gives an iso of graded quasi-coherent sheaves on  $G/P$ :
- $$\mathcal{O}_{G/P} \longrightarrow \text{gr}[(\mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_\lambda) / (\mathcal{D}(G) \otimes \mathcal{A}_\lambda) \text{ im } \varphi] \quad (1)$$

This epimorphism is an iso. A basic reason for this is that  $P$  acts on  $\mu^{-1}(0)$  freely (no stabilizers). From here one deduces that,

for a basis  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$  of  $\beta$ ,

(\*) the elements  $\varphi(\xi_1), \dots, \varphi(\xi_n)$  form a regular sequence  
this can be also seen directly:  $\text{codim}_{T^*(G/P)} \mathfrak{g}^{-1}(0) = \dim \beta$

Using (\*) and some Commutative algebra (regular  $\Rightarrow$  the 1st Kostul homology group vanishes) one can show that (1) is an isomorphism. Passing to the  $P$ -invariants is still an isomorphism — also follows from the freeness.

• Why  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda \simeq \mathcal{D}_{\lambda'}$   $\Rightarrow \lambda \simeq \lambda'$  and  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$ 's exhaust all quantizations of  $\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$ .

Easy case:  $Y = T^*(G/P)$ . Here we recover the classification of sheaves of twisted differential operators.

The general case:  $Y = G \times^P ((G/P)^* \times X_\lambda)$  is very mildly singular. It follows from the work of Bezrukavnikov.

Kaledin & I.L. that the filtered quantizations of  $\gamma_* \mathcal{O}_Y$  are classified by  $H^2(Y^{\text{reg}}, \mathbb{C}) (= (\mathcal{L}/[\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}])^*)$  by means of the so called period map. One can prove that the period of  $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$  is  $\lambda$ , (I.L. 2010).

### 3.2) Barbasch-Vogan constr'n & glimpses of symplectic duality

Here we are concerned with understanding the kernels of the quantum comoment maps  $\mathcal{U}(g) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_0$ , where  $\mathcal{A}_0$  is the canonical (parameter 0) quantization of some  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{O}}]$ . It

turns out that at least some of them have "meaning" & have appeared before.

In the study of unitary representations of real Lie groups there's an important - yet still conjectural - class of representations called **unipotent**. Under the (non-existing) Orbit method correspondence those are unitary irreps that correspond to nilpotent orbits. A formal definition for HC bimodules will be suggested in the next lecture.

In 85, Barbasch & Vogan proposed a partial definition: **special unipotent representations**. The first step is to define a family of ideals in  $\mathcal{U}(g)$ . To describe their construction we need to describe the maximal (w.r.t.  $\subset$ ) 2-sided ideals. Recall that we write  $\mathbb{Z}$  for the center of  $\mathcal{U}(g)$ . Recall the identification  $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{h}^*]^W$ .

**Proposition:** For every maximal ideal  $I \subset \mathcal{U}(g)$ , we have  $\text{codim}_{\mathbb{Z}} I \cap \mathbb{Z} = 1$ , so  $I$  defines a point in  $\mathfrak{h}^*/W$ . The resulting map  $\{\text{max. 2-sided ideals in } \mathcal{U}(g)\} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{h}^*/W$  is a bijection.

**Notation:** For  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*/W$ , let  $I_{\max}(\lambda)$  denote the maximal ideal in  $\mathcal{U}(g)$  corresponding to  $\lambda$  under the bijection from the proposition.

*Verma w. h.w.t.  $\downarrow$   $p$*

**Example:**  $I_{\max}(p) = g\mathcal{U}(g)$ ,  $I_{\max}(0) = \text{Ann}_{\mathcal{U}(g)}(\Delta(-p))$ .

Now we can introduce to Barbasch-Vogan ideals. We write  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee$  for the Langlands dual Lie algebra (e.g. for  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{SO}_{2n+1}$  we get  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee = \mathfrak{Sp}_{2n}$ ). Let  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$  be a nilpotent orbit in  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee$ . Pick  $e^\vee \in \mathcal{O}^\vee$  and include it into an  $\mathfrak{SL}_2$ -triple  $(e^\vee, h^\vee, f^\vee)$ . Conjugating we can assume that  $h^\vee \in \mathfrak{h}^\vee (= \mathfrak{h}^*)$ . The element  $h^\vee$  is defined up to conjugacy in  $W$ .

**Definition:** The **special unipotent ideal**  $I_{\mathcal{O}^\vee} := I_{\max}(\frac{1}{2}h^\vee)$

**Theorem** (LMBM'21)  $I_{\mathcal{O}^\vee}$  is the kernel of  $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_0$  for a cover  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$  recovered from  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$ , we'll write  $\tilde{d}(\mathcal{O}^\vee)$  for  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}$ .

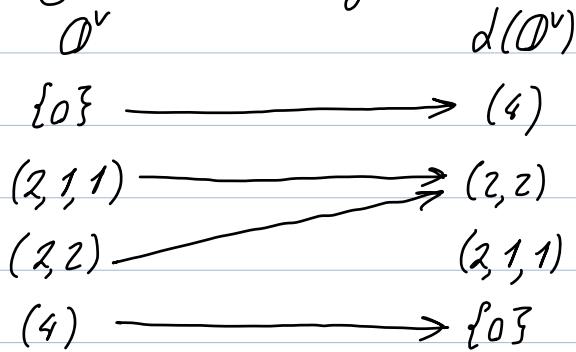
To construct  $\tilde{d}$  we need the following observation. Note that every 2-sided ideal  $I \subset \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})$  defines a  $G \times \mathbb{C}^\times$ -stable subvariety in  $\mathfrak{g}^*$  (where  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  acts by dilations) - the variety of  $O$ 's of  $\text{gr } I$ , where  $\text{gr}$  is taken for the PBW filtration. Denote this subvariety by  $V(I)$ . If  $\text{codim}_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z} \cap I < \infty$ , then  $V(I) \subset N$  and if  $I$  is maximal (more generally, "primitive"), then  $V(I)$  is irreducible.

**Definition:** The **BV dual orbit**  $d(\mathcal{O}^\vee)$  is the unique open orbit in  $V(I_{\mathcal{O}^\vee})$ .

**Examples:** 1)  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_n = \mathfrak{g}^\vee$ . If  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$  corresponds to a partition  $\mu$  of

$\eta$ , then  $d(O^\nu)$  corresponds to  $\mu^t$ .

2)  $g = \mathfrak{Sp}_4 = g^\nu$ . The following illustrates how  $d$  works:



Construction of  $\tilde{d}(O^\nu)$ :

Case 1:  $e^\nu$  is "distinguished" (not contained in a proper Levi). Then  $\tilde{d}(O^\nu)$  is the universal  $\text{Ad}(g)$ -equivariant cover of  $d(O)$ . It turns that  $\text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{d}(O^\nu)]$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial & terminal.

Case 2: general. Let  $L^\nu$  be a minimal Levi subalgebra of  $g^\nu$  containing  $e^\nu$ . Let  $L$  be a corresponding Levi subalgebra of  $g$  &  $P = L \times_{L^\nu} \mathbb{G}_m$  be a parabolic. Let  $X_L = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{d}(O_L)]$ , where  $\tilde{d}(O_L)$  is constructed as in Case 1. Then  $\tilde{d}(O)$  is the open orbit in  $G \times^P (X_L \times (g/P)^*)$ .

Examples: • For  $g = \mathfrak{sl}_n$ , we have  $\tilde{d}(O) = d(O)$ .

• For  $g = \mathfrak{Sp}_4$ ,  $\tilde{d}$  sends the orbit  $(2,1,1)$  to the orbit  $(2,2)$  &  $(2,2)$  to the double cover of  $(2,2)$ .

An inspiration for defining  $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}$  comes from Symplectic duality predicted by Braden-Licata-Proudfoot-Webster and since then rigorously defined in some settings but not in ours. In the first approximation, this is a duality between conical singular symplectic varieties  $X, X^\vee$  (w. some "decorations") that swaps certain invariants. The pair of varieties in our case is as follows:

- $X = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\mathcal{O}^\vee)]$
- $X^\vee = \text{the intersection of the "Slodowy slice", } e^\vee + \mathfrak{z}_{\mathfrak{g}^\vee}(f^\vee), \text{ w. the nilpotent cone } \mathcal{N}^\vee \subset \mathfrak{g}^\vee.$  The Slodowy slice is a transverse slice to  $\mathcal{O}^\vee$  in  $\mathfrak{g}^\vee$ .

