

## Affine Springer Fibers and Level-Rank Duality

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Under a conjecture of OY, true in further cases.

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Cf. the BGG resolution of Berest–Etingof–Ginzburg.

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