## $\mathbb{A}^1$ -INVARIANCE FOR UNSTABLE $K_2$

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### 1. AIM OF THE PAPER

The aim of this text is to prove that the non-stable  $K_2$ -functors  $K_2^G$ , where G is a simply connected Chevalley group of suitable type, satisfy  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -invariance on regular rings R containing a field k, that is,

{eq:A1-main}

(1.1) 
$$K_2^G(R[t]) = K_2^G(R).$$

As a corollary, we should easily deduce that

$$K_2^G(R) = KV_2^G(R),$$

where  $KV_2^G(R)$  is the Karoubi–Villamayor K-functor associated to G. This functor originates from [6]. The above equality by e.g. [2, Corollary 4.3.3] implies that  $\pi_1^{\mathbb{A}^1}(G)(R) = K_2^G(R)$ , i.e. we obtain an explicit presentation for the  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -fundamental group of G in the sense of Morel–Voevodsky.

"Suitable type" here means that we consider only the cases where we know the centrality of  $K_2$ , or at least the Quillen-Suslin lgp. Some intermediate steps can be proved in larger generality.

Essentially, we need to prove that  $K_2^G(k[x_1,\ldots,x_n])=K_2^G(k)$ . (Then (1.1) follows by standard geometric methods.) There are two models: Tulenbaev's proof for the  $\mathrm{SL}_n$  case [12] and Stavrova's proof for  $K_1^G$  [9]. Tulenbaev [12] uses stabilization of the  $K_2$ -functor, and the good properties of the limit=algebraic K-theory. In [9] stabilization is not used. However, the key steps of both proofs are the same: the case of R=k (hidden somewhere around [12, p. 140], or, respectively, [9, Theorem 3.1]); Quillen-Suslin lgp;  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -gluing (see [12, Theorem 5.1] or [9, Theorem 1.1]).

# 1.1. Plan of the proof.

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(1) (done, see ??). Let R be a local ring. Show that

$$\operatorname{St}^{G}(R[t^{\pm 1}]) = i_{+}(\operatorname{St}^{G}(R[t]))i_{-}(\operatorname{St}^{G}(R[t^{-1}]))i_{+}(\operatorname{St}^{G}(R[t]))$$

Here  $i_{\pm}$  denote the natural homomorphisms into  $\mathrm{St}^{\mathrm{G}}(R[t^{\pm 1}])$ .

- (2) (done, see Theorem 3). Show that  $K_2^G(k[t]) = K_2^G(k)$ .
- (3) (done). Consequently,  $\operatorname{St}^{G}(k[t]) \to \operatorname{St}^{G}(k[t^{\pm 1}])$  is injective and  $\operatorname{St}^{G}(k[t]) \cap \operatorname{St}^{G}(k[t^{-1}]) = \operatorname{St}^{G}(k)$  inside  $\operatorname{St}^{G}(k[t^{\pm 1}])$ . Also,  $K_{2}^{G}(k) = K_{2}^{G}(k[t^{\pm 1}])$ .

The first claim uses (2). The second claim follows from (2) and (1).

(4) (**done** for split ACDE, see Theorem 1.(ii)). Prove Quillen-Suslin lgp for  $K_2^G$ .

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n:k-intersect

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plan:Zglu

(5) (Zariski gluing) for any commutative ring A and any non-nilpotent  $f, g \in A$  such that A = fA + gA, the sequence of pointed sets

$$1 \longrightarrow K_2^G(A) \xrightarrow{g \mapsto (g,g)} K_2^G(A_f) \times K_2^G(A_g) \xrightarrow{(g_1,g_2) \mapsto g_1g_2^{-1}} K_2^G(A_{fg})$$

is exact. The proof is usually almost the same as for (4).

(Remark. It seems that we need this property only for A=R[t] and f,g non-constant polynomials.)

plan:S-lemma

(6) (S-lemma) Let A be a commutative ring, S a multiplicative subset of A. If

$$K_2^G(A[X_1,\ldots,X_n]) = K_2^G(A)$$

for some  $n \geq 1$ , then  $K_2^G(A_S[X_1, \dots, X_n]) = K_2^G(A_S)$  as well.

This should be easy; see [1, Lemma 3.6].

plan:Nglu

- (7) (Nisnevich gluing) Assume that B is a subring of a commutative ring A, and let  $h \in B$  be a non-nilpotent element. Denote by  $F_h: A \to A_h$  the localization homomorphism.
  - (i) If Ah + B = A, i.e. the natural map  $B \to A/Ah$  is surjective, then for any  $x \in St^{G}(A_h)$  there exist  $y \in St^{G}(A)$  and  $z \in St^{G}(B_h)$  such that  $x = F_h(y)z$ .
  - (ii) If moreover  $Ah \cap B = Bh$ , i.e.  $B/Bh \to A/Ah$  is an isomorphism, and h is not a zero divisor in A, then the sequence of pointed sets

$$K_2^G(B) \xrightarrow{g \mapsto (F_h(g),g)} K_2^G(B_h) \times K_2^G(A) \xrightarrow{(g_1,g_2) \mapsto g_1 F_h(g_2)^{-1}} K_2^G(A_h)$$

is exact.

This should use something from the proof of (4) or (5); see [9, Lemma 3.4].

plan:P1

(8) ( $\mathbb{P}^1$ -gluing) Let A be any commutative ring. Show that the sequence of pointed sets

$$1 \longrightarrow K_2^G(A) \xrightarrow{g \mapsto (g,g)} K_2^G(A[t]) \times K_2^G(A[t^{-1}]) \xrightarrow{(g_1,g_2) \mapsto g_1g_2^{-1}} K_2^G(A[t,t^{-1}])$$

is exact.

This should use (1)–(4).

- (a) Prove Proposition 3.12. This is hard. Have no idea how this can be proved at the moment.
- (b) Prove  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing using all the above facts.

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(9) (Main corollary of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -gluing) Let A be any commutative ring, and let  $f \in A[t]$  be a monic polynomial. Show that  $K_2^G(A[t]) \to K_2^G(A[t]_f)$  is injective.

The proof uses (5) and (8).

plan:k(t)

(10) Prove that  $K_2^G(k(t)) = K_2^G(k)$ . This may be a bit tricky; I will think if we can get rid of it. I don't think Tulenbaev uses it. Unsure whether this is true (?). This is true for  $SK_1$  but in view of Milnor's theorem can not hold for  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ .

plan:k[tn]

(11) Prove that

$$K_2^G(k[t_1,\ldots,t_n]) = K_2^G(k).$$

If we strictly follow the pattern of  $K_1^G$ , this uses (9), (2), and (10). There may be other ways.

plan:final

(12) Final result: let R be a regular ring containing a field k. Then  $K_2^G(R[t]) = K_2^G(R)$ . This uses (4), (11) and (7).

#### 3

#### 2. Steinberg groups: Preliminaries

2.1. **Definition and basic properties.** In what follows  $\Phi$  denotes a reduced irreducible root system and  $\Pi \subseteq \Phi$  denotes its basis (i.e. the set of simple roots). Denote by  $\widetilde{\alpha}$ ,  $\Phi^+$  and  $\Phi^-$ , respectively, the maximal root of  $\Phi$  and the subsets of positive and negative roots of  $\Phi$ . The Dynkin diagram and the extended Dynkin diagram of  $\Phi$  corresponding to  $\Pi$  will be denoted by  $D(\Phi)$ ,  $\widetilde{D}(\Phi)$ , respectively.

A proper closed root subset  $S \subseteq \Phi$  is called *parabolic* (resp. reductive, resp. special) if  $\Phi = S \cup -S$  (resp. S = -S, resp.  $S \cap -S = \emptyset$ ). Any parabolic subset  $S \subseteq \Phi$  can be decomposed into the disjoint union of its reductive and special part, i.e.  $S = \Sigma_S \sqcup \Delta_S$ , where  $\Sigma_S \cap (-\Sigma_S) = \emptyset$ ,  $\Delta_S = -\Delta_S$ .

Denote by  $m_{\beta}(\alpha)$  the coefficient of  $\beta$  in the expansion of  $\alpha$  in  $\Pi$ , i. e.  $\alpha = \sum_{\beta \in \Pi} m_{\beta}(\alpha)\beta$ . For  $\beta \in \Pi$  denote by  $\Delta_{\beta}$  the subsystem of  $\Phi$  spanned by all simple roots except  $\beta$  and by  $\Sigma_{\beta}$  the set consisting of roots  $\alpha \in \Phi$  such that  $m_{\beta}(\alpha) > 0$ .

We denote by  $(\alpha, \beta)$  the scalar product of roots and by  $\langle \beta, \alpha \rangle$  the integer  $2(\beta, \alpha)/(\alpha, \alpha)$ . The Weyl group  $W(\Phi)$  is a subgroup of isometries of  $\Phi$  generated by all reflections  $\sigma_{\alpha}$ , where  $\sigma_{\alpha}(\beta) = \beta - \langle \beta, \alpha \rangle \cdot \alpha$ . For a subset of roots  $S \subseteq \Phi$  we denote by  $\langle S \rangle$  the root subsystem spanned by S, i.e. the minimal subset of  $\Phi$  containing S and invariant under the action of reflections  $\sigma_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha \in S$ .

Let  $G = G(\Phi, -)$  be a (split) simply connected simple Chevalley–Demazure group scheme over R with a root system  $\Phi$  of rank  $\geq 2$ . Recall that the *Steinberg group*  $\operatorname{St}^{G}(R)$  (also denoted  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, R)$ ) is defined by means of generators  $\mathcal{X}_{\Phi,R} = \{x_{\alpha}(\xi) \mid \xi \in R, \alpha \in \Phi\}$  and the set of relations  $\mathcal{R}_{\Phi,R}$  defined as follows:

The indices i, j appearing in the right-hand side of the above relation range over all positive natural numbers such that  $i\alpha + j\beta \in \Phi$ . The structure constants  $N_{\alpha\beta ij} = \pm 1, 2, 3$  appearing in (2.2) depend only on  $\Phi$  and can be computed precisely.

Recall that for  $\alpha \in \Phi$ ,  $\varepsilon \in R^*$  the semisimple root elements  $h_{\alpha}(\varepsilon)$  are defined as  $h_{\alpha}(\varepsilon) = w_{\alpha}(\varepsilon)w_{\alpha}(-1)$ . Denote by W( $\Phi$ , R) the subgroup of St( $\Phi$ , R) generated by all elements  $w_{\alpha}(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\varepsilon \in R^*$ ,  $\alpha \in \Phi$ , and by H( $\Phi$ , R) the subgroup generated by all elements  $h_{\alpha}(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\varepsilon \in R^*$ ,  $\alpha \in \Phi$ . Following [11], we set

$$\{u, v\}_{\alpha} = h_{\alpha}(uv)h_{\alpha}(u)^{-1}h_{\alpha}(v)^{-1}, \qquad u, v \in \mathbb{R}^*, \ \alpha \in \Phi,$$

and call these elements symbols in  $St(\Phi, R)$ . For any ideal I of R, we set

$$\operatorname{Sym}(\Phi, R, I) = \langle \{u, v\}_{\alpha}, \ u \in R^*, \ v \in (1 + I)^*, \ \alpha \in \Phi \rangle \le \operatorname{St}(\Phi, R).$$

The group  $\operatorname{Sym}(\Phi, R, R)$  is denoted by  $\operatorname{Sym}(\Phi, R)$ . Clearly, one has  $\{u, v\}_{\alpha} \in K_2(\Phi, R)$  for any  $u, v \in R^*$ ,  $\alpha \in \Phi$ . By [11, Prop. 1.3 (c)] the group  $\operatorname{Sym}(\Phi, R, I)$  is generated by all symbols  $\{u, v\}_{\alpha}$ ,  $u \in R^*$ ,  $v \in (1 + I)^*$ , for any fixed long root  $\alpha \in \Phi$ .

## 2.2. Non-standard generation of Steinberg groups.

Lem:parab-gen

**Lemma 2.1.** Let R be any commutative ring. Let  $\Phi$  be an irreducible root system of rank  $\geq 2$ , let  $\Pi$  be a system of simple roots in  $\Phi$ , and let  $J \subseteq \Pi$  be such that  $|J| \geq 2$ . Set

$$\alpha_J = \sum_{\beta \in J} m_{\beta}(\alpha) \beta \text{ for any } \alpha \in \Phi,$$

and

$$\Sigma_J = \{ \alpha \in \Phi \mid m_\beta(\alpha) > 0 \text{ for at least one } \beta \in J \}.$$

Let H be the group defined by the generators  $x_{\alpha}(u)$ ,  $\alpha \in \Sigma_J \cup (-\Sigma_J)$ ,  $u \in R$ , and the relations (2.1) and (2.2) ranging only over  $\alpha \in \Sigma_J \cup (-\Sigma_J)$ , and  $\beta \in \Sigma_J \cup (-\Sigma_J)$  such that  $m\alpha_J \neq -k\beta_J$  for all  $m, k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the natural homomorphism  $H \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, R)$  is surjective and has central kernel. In particular, if  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, R)$  is centrally closed, then  $H \cong \operatorname{St}(\Phi, R)$ .

Proof. The group scheme  $G = G(\Phi, -)$  over R contais two opposite parabolic R-subgroups  $P^{\pm}$  such that  $\pm \Sigma_J$  are the sets of roots corresponding to the unipotent radicals of  $P^{\pm}$ . One can show that  $H = \operatorname{St}_{P^+}(R)$  and  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, R) = \operatorname{St}_B(R)$  in the sense of [10]. By [10, Lemma 8] the natural homomorphism  $H \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, R)$  is surjective. By [10, Lemma 14] its kernel is central.

2.3. **Relative Steinberg groups.** Denote by D(R,I) the double of the ring R relative to an ideal I, i.e. the fibered product of rings  $R \times_{R/I} R$  with the natural projections  $p_1, p_2 \colon D(R,I) \to R$  defined by  $p_i(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \xi_i$ , i = 1, 2. Denote by  $G_i$  the kernel of the map  $p_i^* \colon \operatorname{St}^{G}(D(R,I)) \to \operatorname{St}^{G}(R)$ . We define the relative Steinberg group  $\operatorname{St}^{G}(R,I)$  as  $G_1/C$ , where  $C = [G_1, G_2]$ . Clearly, there is an exact sequence.

{eq:suite}

$$(2.3) 1 \longrightarrow (G_1 \cap G_2)/C \longrightarrow \operatorname{St}^{G}(R,I) \xrightarrow{\overline{p_2^*}} \operatorname{St}^{G}(R) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \operatorname{St}^{G}(R/I) \longrightarrow 1$$

**Lemma 2.2.** Assume that R and I are such that the canonical projection  $R \to R/I$  splits. Then the following facts are true.

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- (i) The map  $St^G(R, I) \to St^G(R)$  is an injection.
- (ii) The group  $\operatorname{St}^{\operatorname{G}}(R)$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{St}^{\operatorname{G}}(R/I) \ltimes \operatorname{St}^{\operatorname{G}}(R,I)$ .

*Proof.* For the proof of the first assertion see [8, Lemma 8]. Since the group  $(G_1 \cap G_2)/C$  vanishes, the sequence (2.3) turns into a split short exact sequence which implies the second assertion.

lem:Zgen

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $\Sigma$  be the special subset of some parabolic subset of roots  $S \subseteq \Phi$ . Then the relative Steinberg group  $\operatorname{St}^{G}(R,I)$  admits the following generating set:

$$\mathcal{Z}(\Sigma, R, I) = \{ x_{\alpha}(0, s) \cdot C \mid s \in I, \alpha \in \Phi \} \cup \{ z_{\alpha}(s, \xi) \mid s \in I, \xi \in R, \alpha \in \Sigma \},$$

where  $z_{\alpha}(s,\xi)$  denotes the element  $x_{\alpha}(0,s)^{x_{-\alpha}(\xi,\xi)} \cdot C$ .

Proof. See [8, Lemma 5].

2.4. Tulenbaev's lifting property and its corollaries. Throughout this section  $I \subseteq A$  is an ideal of arbitrary commutative ring A. For a nonnilpotent element  $a \in A$  denote by  $\lambda_a \colon A \to A_a$  the morphism of principal localization at a. Consider the following commutative square.

Notice that (2.4) is a pull-back square if and only if  $\lambda_a$  induces an isomorphism of I and  $I_a$ . Such squares are usually called *Milnor squares* in the literature, see [**Kbook**].

The following property of linear Steinberg groups was discovered for the first time by Tulenbaev (see [12, Lemmas 2.3, 3.2]) and plays a key role in the sequel.

**Definition 2.4.** We say that the Steinberg group functor St<sup>G</sup> satisfies *Tulenbaev's lifting* property if for every pull-back square (2.4) the following lifting problem has a solution.

$$\operatorname{St}^{G}(A, I) \xrightarrow{\mu} \operatorname{St}^{G}(A)$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\lambda_{a}^{*}}$$

$$\operatorname{St}^{G}(A_{a}, I) \xrightarrow{\mu} \operatorname{St}^{G}(A_{a})$$

**Theorem 1.** Assume that G satisfies Tulenbaev property (2.4) then the following facts are true for arbitrary commutative ring A:

thm:dp

(i) A dilation principle holds for  $St^{G}(-)$ , i. e. if  $g \in St^{G}(A[t], tA[t])$  is such that equality  $\lambda_a^*(h) = 1$  holds in  $St^{G}(\Phi, R_a[t])$  then for sufficiently large n one has

$$ev_{\left[\frac{R[t]\to R[t]}{t\to a^n\cdot t}\right]}^*(h)=1.$$

thm:lg-k2

(ii) A local-global principle holds for  $St^{G}(-)$ , i. e. an element  $g \in St^{G}(A[t], tA[t])$  is trivial if and only if its image in  $St^{G}(A_{m}[t], tA_{m}[t])$  is trivial for all maximal ideals  $m \leq A$ .

thm:centr

(iii)  $K_2^G(A)$  is contained in the centre of  $St^G(A)$ .

*Proof.* Follows by the same argument as [12, Theorem 2.1] or [8, Theorem 2]  $\Box$ 

sec:sigma

2.5. The automorphisms  $\sigma_i$ . Our notation and conventions follows [13, § 4]. Let  $\Phi$  be an irreducible root system with some fixed basis of simple roots  $\Pi = \{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_\ell\}$ . We denote by  $\Phi^{\vee}$  the dual root system of  $\Phi$  consisting of vectors  $\alpha^{\vee} = 2\alpha/(\alpha, \alpha)$ ,  $\alpha \in \Phi$ . As usual,  $P(\Phi^{\vee})$  denotes the lattice spanned by the fundamental weights  $\varpi_i$ . Recall that  $\varpi_i$  are uniquely determined by relations  $\langle \varpi_i, \alpha_i^{\vee} \rangle = (\varpi_i, \alpha_j) = \delta_{ij}$ .

Notice that for  $\varpi \in P(\Phi^{\vee})$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}$   $\Phi$  one has  $(\varpi, \beta) \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Consequently, for  $\varepsilon \in R^*$  and  $\varpi \in P(\Phi^{\vee})$  the identity  $\chi_{\varpi,\varepsilon}(\beta) = \varepsilon^{(\varpi,\beta)}$  gives a well-defined character  $\chi_{\varpi,\varepsilon} \in \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}\Phi, R^*)$ .

Consider the action of  $H = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}\Phi, \mathbb{R}^*)$  on the set of generators  $\mathcal{X}_{\Phi,\mathbb{R}}$  of the Steinberg group  $\text{St}^G(\mathbb{R})$  defined by

(2.5) 
$$\chi \cdot x_{\alpha}(\xi) = x_{\alpha}(\chi(\alpha) \cdot \xi), \ \chi \in H, \ \alpha \in \Phi, \ \xi \in R.$$

Since  $\chi$  is a character, the above action preserves the set of Steinberg relations  $\mathcal{R}_{\Phi,R}$  and, thus, gives a well-defined action of H on  $St^{G}(R)$ .

**Example 2.5.** The principal example which motivates the above construction is as follows. Let A be a ring, take  $R = A[t, t^{-1}]$  to be the ring of Laurent polynomials over A and let  $\alpha_i \in \Pi$  be some simple root. Since  $t \in R^*$  we can consider the automorphisms  $\sigma_i^+$  and  $\sigma_i^-$  of  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, R)$  given by  $\sigma_i^+ = \chi_{\varpi_i, t}, \ \sigma_i^- = \chi_{\varpi_i, t^{-1}}$ . It is easy to see that

eq:sigma\_act}

(2.6) 
$$\sigma_i^{\pm}(x_{\alpha}(\xi)) = x_{\alpha}(t^{\pm m_i(\alpha)} \cdot \xi),$$

where  $m_k(\alpha)$  denotes the coefficient in the expansion of  $\alpha$  in  $\Pi$ , i.e.  $\alpha = \sum m_k(\alpha)\alpha_k$ .

One of the key steps of our proof of Suslin lemma for  $K_2$  is to define an analogue of  $\sigma_i$  for the group  $St^G(A[t])$ . Of course, we cannot expect such map to be automorphism or even be defined on the whole group  $St^{G}(A[t])$ . However, it turns out that for certain i is still possible to define certain subgroups of  $\mathrm{St}^{\mathrm{G}}(A[t])$  and the maps modeling  $\sigma_i$  between them.

3. 
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Throughout this section  $G = G(\Phi, -)$  denotes a simply connected Chevalley-Demazure group scheme of type  $\Phi$ .

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**Definition 3.1.** Let F be a group-valued functor from CRings to Groups and let A be a commutative ring. Consider the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{i_{+}} & A[t] \\ \downarrow i_{-} & & \downarrow j_{+} \\ A[t^{-1}] & \xrightarrow{j_{-}} & A[t,t^{-1}] \end{array}$$

We say that F satisfies the  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property for A if the following sequence of pointed sets is exact in the middle term:

$$F(A) \stackrel{\Delta_A^F}{\longleftrightarrow} F(A[t]) \times F(A[t^{-1}]) \stackrel{\pm_A^F}{\longleftrightarrow} F(A[t,t^{-1}]).$$

Here  $\Delta_A^F$  denotes the (split injective) diagonal map and, by definition,  $\pm_A^F$  maps  $(g^+,g^-)$  to  $F(j_+)(g^+)\cdot F(j_-)(g^-)^{-1}$ . Notice that a priori  $\pm_A^F$  is only a morphism of pointed sets but if F takes values in abelian groups then  $\pm_A^F$  is also a morphism of groups.

An equivalent way to formulate  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property is as follows:  $F(j_+)$  and  $F(j_-)$  are

injective and the intersection of their images coincides with the image of  $F(j_+i_+) = F(j_-i_-)$ .

The main result of this section is the following theorem which generalizes [12, Theorem 5.1] to Chevalley groups. Notice that a  $K_1$ -analogue of the result below has been established in a much greater generality by the second-named author (see [9, Theorem 1.1]).

thm:p1

**Theorem 2.** Assume that G satisfies Tulenbaev lifting property 2.4. Then the Steinberg group functor  $St^G(-)$  satisfies  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property for an arbitrary commutative ring A.

*Proof.* Let  $(g^+, g^-)$  be an element of  $St^G(A[t]) \times St^G(A[t^{-1}])$  such that the equality  $g^+ = g^$ holds in  $St^{G}(A[t, t^{-1}])$ .

Let m be a maximal ideal of A. By Proposition 3.13 below the functor  $St^G(-)$  satisfies  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property for the local ring  $A_m$  hence  $(\lambda_m^*(g_+), \lambda_m^*(g_-)) = \Delta_{A_m}(\lambda_m^*(g^+)(0))$  and in the groups  $St^G(A_m[t])$  and  $St^G(A_m[t^{-1}])$  we have the equalities:

$$\lambda_m^*(g^+ \cdot g^+(0)^{-1}) = \lambda_m^*(g^+) \cdot \lambda_m^*(g^+)(0)^{-1} = 1; \qquad \lambda_m^*(g^- \cdot g^+(0)^{-1}) = 1.$$

Now, by the local-global principle for  $\mathrm{St}^{\mathrm{G}}(-)$  (see Theorem 1.(ii)) these equalities hold globally and  $(g^+,g^-)=\Delta_A(g^+(0))$ , as claimed.

rem:stk2

Remark 3.2. It is clear that if the functor  $\operatorname{St}^G$  satisfies  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property for A then so does the functor  $K_2^G$ . The converse statement also holds, indeed, if  $(g^+, g^-) \in \operatorname{Ker}(\pm_A^{\operatorname{St}})$  then inside  $E^G(A[t, t^{-1}])$  we have the equality:

$$\varphi(\operatorname{St}^{G}(j_{+})(g^{+})) = \varphi(\operatorname{St}^{G}(j_{-})(g^{-})) \in E^{G}(A[t]) \cap E^{G}(A[t^{-1}]) = E^{G}(A).$$

Consequently, we can find  $g_0 \in \text{St}^G(A)$  so that  $(g^+g_0^{-1}, g^-g_0^{-1}) \in \text{Ker}(\pm_A^{K_2})$  and it remains to apply the  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property for  $K_2^G$ .

Corollary 3.3. Let A be any commutative ring and  $f \in A[t]$  be a monic polynomial. Then the map  $K_2^G(A[t]) \to K_2^G(A[t]_f)$  is injective.

3.1. The field case. Throughout this section k denotes an arbitrary field.

thm:k[t]

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**Theorem 3.** Assume that  $G = G(\Phi, -)$  and  $\Phi$  is any irreducible root system of rank  $\geq 2$ .

- (i) The subgroup  $K_2(\Phi, k[t]) \subseteq St^G(\Phi, k[t])$  is generated by symbols  $\{u, v\}_{\alpha}, u, v \in k^*, \alpha \in \Phi$ .
- (ii) As a consequence, the canonical injection  $K_2(\Phi, k) \hookrightarrow K_2(\Phi, k[t])$  is an isomorphism, and  $K_2(k[t]) = K_2(k)$  is central in  $St(\Phi, k[t])$ .

*Proof.* See [7, Satz 1] and the corollary after it.

cor:k[t]inj

Corollary 3.4. Let G be as in Theorem 3. Then the functors  $St^G$ ,  $K_2^G$  satisfy  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property for k.

*Proof.* By Remark 3.2 it suffices to prove the assertion only for the functor  $K_2^G$ . By the previous theorem  $K_2^G(i_+)$  and  $K_2^G(i_-)$  are isomorphisms hence the morphisms  $K_2^G(j_+)$  and  $K_2^G(j_-)$  are split injective and  $\operatorname{Im}(j_+i_+) = \operatorname{Im}(j_-i_-) = \operatorname{Im}(j_+) = \operatorname{Im}(j_-)$ .

thm:k[t+-1]

**Theorem 4.** Let  $\Phi$  be an irreducible root system of rank  $\geq 2$ ,  $\Phi \neq G_2$ . Then for any long root  $\alpha \in \Phi$  one has

$$K_2(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}]) = K_2(\Phi, k) \oplus \langle \{t, u\}_{\alpha}, u \in k^* \rangle$$
.

In particular,  $K_2(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}])$  is central in  $St(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}])$ . Here  $K_2(\Phi, k)$  is considered as a subgroup of  $K_2(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}])$  via the natural injection.

Proof. Set  $H = \langle \{t, u\}_{\alpha}, u \in k^* \rangle$ . By [5, Korollar 4] the group  $K_2(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}])$  is generated by  $K_2(\Phi, k)$  and H. By [11, Prop. 1.1 (S1)] one has  $\{1, u\}_{\alpha} = 1$  for any  $\alpha \in \Phi$ . Hence H is in the kernel of the natural projection  $K_2(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}]) \to K_2(\Phi, k)$  sending t to 1, and  $H \cap K_2(\Phi, k) = 1$ . By [11, Prop. 1.3 (a)] symbols are central in  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}])$ , hence  $K_2(\Phi, k[t^{\pm 1}]) = K_2(\Phi, k) \oplus H$ .

- 3.2. **Tulenbaev's section 3.** For the rest of this section A denotes an arbitrary commutative local ring with the maximal ideal m and the residue field k. We denote by  $\pi$  the canonical projection  $A \to k$ . Throughout this section we will employ the following notation:
  - R denotes the Laurent polynomial ring  $A[t, t^{-1}]$ ;
  - B denotes the subring  $A[t] + m[t^{-1}]$  of R consisting of Laurent polynomials  $f(t, t^{-1})$  whose coefficients of terms of negative degree belong to m;
  - I denotes the ideal  $m[t, t^{-1}]$  of R (which can be also considered as an ideal of B).

Note that since A is local, then  $K_2(\Phi, A) = \operatorname{Sym}(\Phi, A)$  by [11, Theorem 2.13]. In particular,  $K_2(\Phi, A)$  is central in  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A)$ , and  $W(\Phi, A)/H(\Phi, A)$  is naturally isomorphic to the Weyl group  $W(\Phi)$ .

Our first result is analogous to [12, Lemma 3.1(e)] (cf. also with [4, § 2.3A]).

lem:bruhat

**Lemma 3.5.** Let  $\Phi$  be any irreducible root system. Let  $\Phi^+$ ,  $\Phi^{+'}$  be two systems of positive roots in  $\Phi$ .

(i) The Steinberg group  $St(\Phi, A)$  admits the following analogue of the Bruhat decomposition:

{eq:bruhat}

$$(3.1) \quad \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A) = \bigsqcup_{w \in W(\Phi)} \left( \operatorname{U}(\Phi^{+'}, A) \cdot w H(\Phi, A) \cdot \operatorname{U}(\Phi^{+}, A) \cdot \ker\left(\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \operatorname{St}(\Phi, k)\right) \right).$$

(ii) Assume that uwhvl = u'w'h'v'l' for some  $u, u' \in U(\Phi^{+'}, A)$ ,  $w, w' \in W(\Phi)$ ,  $h, h' \in H(\Phi, A)$ , and  $l, l' \in \ker(\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \operatorname{St}(\Phi, k))$ . Then w = w',

$$h^{-1}h' \in \operatorname{Sym}(\Phi, A) \cdot \ker \left( H(\Phi, A) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} H(\Phi, k) \right),$$

and there exist  $a \in U(\Phi^{+'}, m)$  such that  $w^{-1}(u^{-1}u'a)w \in U(\Phi^{+}, R)$ , and  $b \in U(\Phi^{+}, m)$  such that

$$b = v^{-1}(u^{-1}u')^{wh}v' = l(l')^{-1}.$$

*Proof.* For any field k, the group  $G(\Phi, k) = E(\Phi, k)$  admits Bruhat decomposition, hence  $K_2(\Phi, k) \leq H(\Phi, k)$  implies

$$\operatorname{St}(\Phi, k) = \bigsqcup_{w \in \operatorname{W}(\Phi)} \operatorname{U}(\Phi^{+'}, k) w H(\Phi, k) \operatorname{U}(\Phi^{+}, k).$$

Let  $w_0 \in W(\Phi)$  be such that  $v_0(\Phi^{+'}) = \Phi^+$ . Then also

$$\operatorname{St}(\Phi,k) = w_0^{-1} H(\Phi,k) \operatorname{St}(\Phi,k) = \bigsqcup_{w \in \operatorname{W}(\Phi)} \operatorname{U}(\Phi^{+'},k) w H(\Phi,k) \operatorname{U}(\Phi^+,k).$$

As a consequence, the first three factors in the right hand side of the decomposition (3.1) are mapped epimorphically onto  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi,k)$  and the last factor coincides with  $\operatorname{Ker}(\pi^*)$  from which the first assertion of the lemma follows. The second assertion follows from the unicity of the Bruhat decomposition in  $G(\Phi,k)$ .

lem:tul3.1zh

**Lemma 3.6.** Denote by  $\operatorname{Sym}^{\operatorname{t}}(\Phi, A, m)$  the subgroup of  $\operatorname{Sym}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}])$  generated by all symbols of the form  $\{t, u\}_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha \in \Phi$ ,  $u \in 1 + m$ . Then there is an injective homomorphism  $\phi : \operatorname{Sym}^{\operatorname{t}}(\Phi, A, m) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], mA[t^{\pm 1}])$ , natural in (A, m), such that the composition of the canonical map  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], mA[t^{\pm 1}]) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}])$  with  $\phi$  equals  $\operatorname{id}_{\operatorname{Sym}^{\operatorname{t}}(\Phi, A, m)}$ .

*Proof.* The map  $\phi$  can be defined as follows:

$$\phi(\lbrace t, u \rbrace_{\alpha}) = y_{\alpha}(t(u-1))y_{-\alpha}(-t^{-1}(u^{-1}-1))^{x_{\alpha}(-t)} \cdot y_{\alpha}(t(u-1))^{w_{\alpha}(-t)}y_{\alpha}(u-1)y_{-\alpha}(-(u^{-1}-1))^{x_{\alpha}(-1)}y_{\alpha}(u-1)^{w_{\alpha}(-1)}.$$

If we assume that  $\Phi$  is non-symplectic and we restrict ourselves to just one root  $\alpha$ , then it is enough to check that  $\{t, u\}_{\alpha} \neq 1$  in  $St(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}])$  for any  $u \neq 1$ . If A is an integral domain (e.g. A regular), this follows from the injectivity of  $A^* \to K^*$ , where K the fraction field of A, together with the injectivity of  $K^* \to St(A_2, K(t))$  (see e.g. [3, Remark 1 on p. 208]) and the stability [3, Theorem A.2] applied to  $A_2 \to \Phi$  and the field K(t).

lem:sigma-X

**Lemma 3.7.** Let  $\Phi$  be an irreducible root system of rank  $l \geq 3$  and of type  $A_l$  ( $l \geq 3$ ),  $C_l$  $(l \geq 3), D_l \ (l \geq 4), E_6 \ or E_7.$  Let  $\alpha_i \in \Pi$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq l$ , be a simple root of  $\Phi$  such that the parabolic subgroup  $P_i$  of  $G(\Phi, -)$  has abelian unipotent radical. Denote by  $StP_i^-(\Phi, A)$  the subgroup of  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A)$  generated by  $x_{\alpha}(u)$ ,  $\alpha \in \Delta_i \cup (-\Sigma_i)$ ,  $u \in A$ , and by  $H(\Phi, A)$  (?). Then there exists a group homomorphism

$$\delta_i : \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t]) \to \operatorname{St}P_i^-(\Phi, A) \cdot \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t])$$

such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) & \xrightarrow{j_+} & \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t,t^{-1}]) \\ & \downarrow^{\delta_i} & \downarrow^{\chi_{\varpi_i,t}} \\ \operatorname{St}P_i^-(\Phi,A) \cdot \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) & \xrightarrow{j_+} & \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t,t^{-1}]) \end{split}$$

*Proof.* The cases  $A_l$  and  $C_l$  are done using another presentation. Other cases are done by amalgamation of  $A_3$ -pieces....

n:parab-pairs

**Lemma 3.8.** Let  $\Phi$  be an irreducible root system of rank  $l \geq 3$  and of type  $A_l$  ( $l \geq 3$ ),  $C_l$  $(l \geq 3), D_l \ (l \geq 4), E_6, E_7 \ or E_8.$  Let  $\alpha_i \in \Pi$  be the simple root adjacent to  $\alpha_l$  in the Dynkin diagram of  $\Phi$  (note that  $P_l$  has abelian unipotent radical if  $\Phi \neq E_8$ , and extraspecial if  $\Phi = E_8$ ). Set  $\Phi^{+'} = w_{\alpha_l}(\Phi^+)$ . Then  $\Phi^{+'} \setminus \Phi^+ = -\alpha_l$ ,  $\Phi^+ \setminus \Phi^{+'} = \alpha_l$ , and  $\Sigma_i \setminus \Sigma_l \subseteq w_{\alpha_l}(\Sigma_l)$ .

*Proof.* The first two claims are obvious. The last claim follows from the fact that for any root  $\alpha \in \Sigma_i \setminus \Sigma_l$  one has  $w_{\alpha_l}(\alpha) = \alpha + \alpha_l$ .

lem:tul3.3

**Lemma 3.9.** Let  $\Phi$  be an irreducible root system of rank  $\geq 2$ , let  $\Pi$  be a system of simple roots in  $\Phi$ , and let  $J \subseteq \Pi$  be such that  $|J| \geq 2$ . Let S be any group, and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For any  $b \in B$  let  $|b| \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $t^{|b|}$  is the smallest power of t occurring in b. Assume that there are elements  $s_{\alpha}(u) \in S$  for all  $\alpha \in \Sigma_J \cup (-\Sigma_J)$  and  $u \in B$  such that  $|u| \geq -n$ , satisfying the relations

(1) 
$$s_{\alpha}(u)s_{\alpha}(v) = s_{\alpha}(u+v)$$
 for all  $\alpha \in \Sigma_J \cup (-\Sigma_J)$ ,  $u, v \in B$ ,  $|u|, |v| \ge -n$ ;

(1) 
$$s_{\alpha}(u)s_{\alpha}(v) = s_{\alpha}(u+v)$$
 for all  $\alpha \in \Sigma_{J} \cup (-\Sigma_{J})$ ,  $u,v \in B$ ,  $|u|,|v| \ge -n$ ;  
(2)  $[s_{\alpha}(u),s_{\beta}(v)] = \prod_{i,j\in\mathbb{N}} s_{i\alpha+j\beta}(N_{\alpha\beta ij}u^{i}v^{j})$  for all  $\alpha,\beta \in \Sigma_{J} \cup (-\Sigma_{J})$  such that  $i\alpha_{J} \ne -j\beta_{J}$ 

for all  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and all  $u, v \in B$  such that  $i|u| + j|v| \ge -n$  whenever  $N_{\alpha\beta ij} \ne 0$ .

If n=1, then the map  $x_{\alpha}(u) \mapsto s_{\alpha}(u)$  extends to a group homomorphism  $St(\Phi, B) \to S$ .

Proof. 

### 3.3. Tulenbaev's section 4.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $\Phi$  be an irreducible root system of rank  $l \geq 3$  of type  $A_l$ ,  $C_l$ ,  $D_l$  ( $l \geq 4$ ),  $E_6$  or  $E_7$ . Then  $\ker(\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], m[t]) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t]))$  surjects onto  $\ker(\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], m[t^{\pm 1}]) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}]))$ .

*Proof.* Set

$$\tilde{B} = H(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}]) \cdot U(\Phi^+, A[t^{\pm 1}]) \le St(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}]),$$

and

thm:tul4.1

$$\tilde{D} = \phi(\operatorname{Sym}^{t}(\Phi, A, m)) \le \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], m[t^{\pm 1}])$$

in the notation of Lemma 3.6. Consider the set of equivalence classes

$$V = \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t]) \times \tilde{B} \times \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], mA[t^{\pm 1}]) / \sim,$$

where  $(a, b, \beta) \sim (a', b', \beta')$  if and only if there is  $\gamma \in \text{St}(\Phi, A[t], mA[t])$ ,  $p \in U(\Phi^+, A[t])$  and  $\mu \in \tilde{D} \cdot U(\Phi^+, mA[t^{\pm 1}])$  such that

$$\tilde{a} = a\gamma_1^{-1}t^{-1}, \quad \tilde{b} = pt\mu, \quad \tilde{\beta} = \mu^{-1}(\gamma_2)b\beta,$$

where  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  are the images of  $\gamma$  in the respective groups. The elements of V will be denoted  $[a, b, \beta]$ .

We will define a map  $\sigma: V \to V$ . By Lemma 3.5 and the definition of V every element of V can be written in the form  $[aw, b, \beta]$  for some  $a \in \text{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t]) \cdot \text{U}(\Phi^+, A)$ ,  $w \in W(\Phi, A) \leq \text{St}(\Phi, A), b \in \tilde{B}$  and  $\beta \in \text{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], mA[t^{\pm 1}])$ . We define

$$\sigma|_{\operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t])} = \delta_l : \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) \operatorname{St}P_l^-(\Phi,A) \le [\operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t]),1,1],$$

where  $\delta_l$  the homomorphism constructed in Lemma 3.7. For any  $\alpha \in \Phi$ ,  $u \in A[t^{\pm 1}]$  we have a homomorphism

$$\chi_{\varpi_l,t}: X_{\alpha}(A[t^{\pm 1}]) \to X_{\alpha}(A[t^{\pm 1}]), \quad x_{\alpha}(u) \mapsto x_{\alpha}(t^{m_{\alpha_l}(\alpha)}u).$$

In particular, this induces a homomorphism  $\sigma_U = \chi_{\varpi_l,t}|_{\mathrm{U}(\Phi^+,A)} : \mathrm{U}(\Phi^+,A) \to \mathrm{U}(\Phi^+,A[t])$ . Combining  $\delta_l$  and  $\sigma_U$ , we obtain a homomorphism (check!!!)

$$\sigma: \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t]) \cdot \operatorname{U}(\Phi^+, A) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t]).$$

Now we define

$$\sigma \cdot [aw, b, \beta] = [\sigma(a)w, w^{-1}\chi_{\varpi_l, t}(wb), \chi_{\varpi_l, t}(\beta)].$$

Note that, clearly,  $w^{-1}\chi_{\varpi_l,t}(w) \in H(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}]).$ 

Next we define a map  $\sigma': V \to V$ . Set  $\Phi^{+'} = w_{\alpha_l}(\Phi^+)$ . By Lemma 3.5 and the definition of V every element of V can be written in the form  $[aw, b, \beta]$  for some  $a \in \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t]) \cdot \operatorname{U}(\Phi^{+'}, A), w \in W(\Phi, A) \leq \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A), b \in \tilde{B} \text{ and } \beta \in \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], mA[t^{\pm 1}])$ . Note that  $w_{\alpha_l}(\Pi)$  is a set of simple roots of  $\Phi$  contained in  $\Phi^{+'}$ , with  $w_{\alpha_l}(\alpha_l) = -\alpha_l$  playing the role of  $\alpha_l$ . Then by Lemma 3.7 there is a homomorphism

$$\delta'_l : \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t]) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t]) \operatorname{St} P'_l(\Phi, A),$$

compatible with  $\chi_{w_{\alpha_l}(\varpi_l),t}$ , where  $\operatorname{St} P_l^{\prime-}(\Phi,A)$  denotes the subgroup of  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi,A)$  corresponding to the parabolic set of roots  $w_{\alpha_l}(\Delta_l \cup \Sigma_l)$ . We define

$$\sigma'|_{\operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t])} = \delta'_l : \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) \\ \operatorname{St}(P'_l(\Phi,A) \leq [\operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t]),1,1].$$

Similarly, for any  $\alpha \in \Phi$ ,  $u \in A[t^{\pm 1}]$  we consider a homomorphism

$$\chi_{w_{\alpha_l}(\varpi_l),t}: X_{\alpha}(A[t^{\pm 1}]) \to X_{\alpha}(A[t^{\pm 1}]), \quad x_{\alpha}(u) \mapsto x_{\alpha}(t^{m'_{-\alpha_l}(\alpha)}u).$$

where  $m'_{w_{\alpha_l}(\alpha_i)}(\alpha)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq l$ , is the coefficient of  $w_{\alpha_l}(\alpha_i)$  in the decomposition of  $\alpha \in \Phi$  with respect to  $w_{\alpha_l}(\Pi)$ . We also consider a homomorphism  $\sigma'_U = \chi_{w_{\alpha_l}(\varpi_l),t}|_{U(\Phi^{+'},A)} : U(\Phi^{+'},A) \to U(\Phi^{+'},A[t])$ . Combining  $\delta'_l$  and  $\sigma'_U$ , we obtain a homomorphism

$$\sigma' : \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t], tA[t]) \cdot \operatorname{U}(\Phi^{+'}, A) \to \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t]).$$

Now we define

$$\sigma' \cdot [aw, b, \beta] = [\sigma'(a)w, w^{-1}\chi_{w_{\alpha_l}(\varpi_l), t}(wb), \chi_{w_{\alpha_l}(\varpi_l), t}(\beta)].$$

As in the case of  $\sigma$ , we have  $w^{-1}\chi_{w_{\alpha_l}(\varpi_l),t}(w) \in H(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}])$ .

Now we show that  $\sigma, \sigma' : V \to V$  are correctly defined and bijective. We prove that for  $\sigma'$ , the case of  $\sigma$  being analogous.....

Next we show that  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$  commute. First we note that if  $\sigma \cdot [a, 1, 1] = [x, y, 1]$ , then for any  $b \in \tilde{B}$  and  $\beta \in \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], mA[t^{\pm 1}])$  one has

$$\sigma \cdot [a, b, \beta] = [x, y\chi_{\varpi_l, t}(b), \chi_{\varpi_l, t}(\beta)],$$

and a similar equality holds for  $\sigma'$ . Since  $\chi_{\varpi_l,t}$  and  $\chi_{w_{\alpha_l}(\varpi_l),t}$  commute on  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t^{\pm 1}])$  and on  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t^{\pm 1}],mA[t^{\pm 1}])$ , it is enough to check that  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$  commute on any element of the form  $[aw,1,1] \in V$ , where  $a \in \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) \cdot \operatorname{U}(\Phi^+,A)$ ,  $w \in W(\Phi,A)$ . We can write  $a = a_0 \cdot x_{\alpha_l}(u)$ , where  $a_0 \in \operatorname{St}(\Phi,A[t],tA[t]) \cdot \operatorname{U}(\Phi^+ \cap \Phi^{+'},A)$ .....

Now we define the action of  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}]))$  on V. For any  $\alpha \in \Phi$  and  $u \in A[t] \subseteq A[t^{\pm 1}]$  we set

$$x_{\alpha}(u) \cdot [a, b, \beta] = [x_{\alpha}(u)a, b, \beta].$$

Next we want to use Lemma 3.9 applied to the set  $J = \{\alpha_i, \alpha_l\}$ , where  $\alpha_i$  is the simple root adjacent to  $\alpha_l$ . For any  $\alpha \in \pm \Sigma_l$  and any  $u \in A$  we set

$$x_{\alpha}(t^{-1}u) \cdot [a, b, \beta] = \sigma^{\mp 1} \cdot x_{\alpha}(u) \cdot \sigma^{\pm 1}[a, b, \beta].$$

For any  $\alpha \in \pm \Sigma_i$  and any  $u \in A$  we set

$$x_{\alpha}(t^{-1}u) \cdot [a, b, \beta] = \sigma'^{\mp 1} \cdot x_{\alpha}(u) \cdot \sigma'^{\pm 1}[a, b, \beta]$$

(cf. Lemma 3.8). Then we check that this action satisfies the properties required in Lemma 3.9. This defines an action of  $St(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}])$  on V.

The last step is to check that for any  $\beta \in \operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}], mA[t^{\pm 1}])$  the action of its image in  $\operatorname{St}(\Phi, A[t^{\pm 1}])$  on [1, 1, 1] gives  $[1, 1, \beta]$ .

## 3.4. Suslin's lemma.

Lemma 3.10. Assume that G satisfies Tulenbaev lifting property 2.4. Then the map i in the following commutative diagram of groups is injective.

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
C_{B} & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{St^{G}}(B,I) & \xrightarrow{\mu_{B}} & \operatorname{St^{G}}(B) & \xrightarrow{\pi_{B}} & \operatorname{St^{G}}(k[t]) \\
\downarrow^{k} & \downarrow^{j} & \downarrow^{i} & \downarrow \\
C_{R} & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{St^{G}}(R,I) & \xrightarrow{\mu_{R}} & \operatorname{St^{G}}(k[t,t^{-1}])
\end{array}$$

*Proof.* First of all, notice that by Corollary 3.4 the vertical map in the right-hand side of the diagram is injective. Invoking Tulenbaev's property 2.4 we also find a lifting map  $\varphi$  in the central square of the diagram.

Let  $g \in \operatorname{St}^{G}(B)$  be an element of Ker (i). Since g also lies in Ker  $(\pi_{B})$  it comes from some  $\widetilde{g} \in \operatorname{St}^{G}(B, I)$  via  $\mu_{B}$ . But  $j(\widetilde{g})$  lies in  $C_{R}$ , hence, by Proposition 3.12 below it comes from some  $\widehat{g} \in C_{B}$  via k. Finally,  $g = \varphi(j(\widetilde{g})) = \varphi(k(\widehat{g})) = \mu_{B}(\widehat{g}) = 1$ , as claimed.

The following result is analogous to [12, Proposition 4.1].

**Lemma 3.11.** The map j in the diagram (3.2) is surjective for any commutative ring A.

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha_i$  be arbitrary simple root from  $\Pi$  and let  $\Sigma_i$  (resp.  $\Sigma_i^-$ ) denote the special subsets of roots consisting of  $\alpha \in \Phi$  such that  $m_i(\alpha) > 0$  (resp.  $m_i(\alpha) < 0$ ).

By Lemma 2.3 the sets  $\mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i, R, I)$  and  $\mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i^-, R, I)$  both generate  $\operatorname{St}^{G}(R, I)$ . Similarly, the subsets  $\mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i, B, I) \subseteq \mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i, R, I)$ ,  $\mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i^-, B, I) \subseteq \mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_I, R, I)$  both generate the image of  $j \colon \operatorname{St}^{G}(B, I) \to \operatorname{St}^{G}(R, I)$ .

Using formula (2.6) we can calculate how the powers of the automorphism  $\sigma_i$  act on these generating sets. Indeed, for  $z_{\alpha}(s,\xi) \in \mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i^-,R,I)$  we have

$$\sigma_i^N(z_\alpha(s,\xi)) = \sigma_i^N(x_\alpha(0,s)^{x_{-\alpha}(\Delta(\xi))}) = z_\alpha(t^{Nm_i(\alpha)} \cdot s, t^{-Nm_i(\alpha)} \cdot \xi).$$

It is clear that for sufficiently large N the element  $t^{-Nm_i(\alpha)} \cdot \xi$  belongs to  $A[t] \subseteq B$ . Consequently, for arbitrary  $g \in \operatorname{St}^G(R, I)$  there exists N > 0 such that  $\sigma^N(g)$  lies in the image of j. On the other hand, by a similar calculation we get for  $z = z_{\alpha}(s, \xi) \in \mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i, B, I)$  that the element  $\sigma^{-N}(z)$  (N > 0) still lies in  $\mathcal{Z}(\Sigma_i, B, I)$ . Clearly, this implies that the image of j is preserved by  $\sigma_i^{-1}$ . The assertion of the lemma now follows from these two statements:

$$g = \sigma^{-N} \sigma^{N}(g) \in \sigma^{-N}(\operatorname{Im}(j)) \subseteq \operatorname{Im}(j).$$

**Proposition 3.12.** Under the assumptions of Lemma 3.10 the map k in the diagram (3.2) is surjective.

Sketch/draft of the proof. The argument presented below only may work under additional assumption that  $m_i(\tilde{\alpha}) = 1$  (*i* is as in the statement of Lemma 2.6).

Consider the following set

$$X = \mathrm{St}^{\mathrm{G}}(B) \times \widetilde{B}(R) \times \mathrm{St}^{\mathrm{G}}(R, I) / \simeq .$$

The congruence relation we impose should be similar to that used in Tulenbaev's paper. In particular, for  $h \in \text{St}^{G}(B, I)$  we should have the following relation in X

$$[\mu_B(h), 1, g] \simeq [1, 1, j(h)g].$$

Notice that instead of  $St^{G}(A[t])$  (used by Tulenbayev in the first factor) we use  $St^{G}(B)$ . TODO: We should prove that there is a well-defined action of  $St^{G}(R)$  on X. Now let g be an element of  $C_R$ . By the previous lemma we have for some  $g' \in St^{G}(B, I)$ 

$$[1,1,g] = [1,1,j(g')] = [\mu_B(g'),1,1] = i\mu_B(g')[1,1,1] = [1,1,1].$$

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3.5. **Proof of the main result.** The following result is analogous to [12, Proposition 4.3]. It plays the same role in our proof of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing for  $K_2$  as generalized Suslin lemma (cf. [1, Theorem 2.16]) does in the corresponding proof for  $K_1$ .

prop:p1g

**Proposition 3.13.** The functors  $St^G$ ,  $K_2^G$  satisfy  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -glueing property for arbitrary local ring A.

Proof.

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