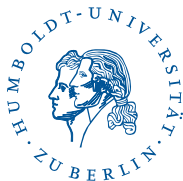


Computing with equivariant \mathcal{D} -modules

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Equivariant \mathcal{D} -modules

Throughout G is a connected affine algebraic group acting on a smooth complex algebraic variety X .

$$G \times X \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{m} \\ \xrightarrow{pr} \end{array} X .$$

A \mathcal{D}_X -module M is G -equivariant if there is an isomorphism (+ cocycle conditions)

$$m^*(M) \cong pr^*(M), \text{ as } \mathcal{D}_{G \times X}\text{-modules.}$$

\mathfrak{g} – Lie algebra of G , $U\mathfrak{g}$ – universal enveloping algebra.

The action of G on X gives a Lie algebra map $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_X$.

When X is affine, a \mathcal{D}_X -module M is equivariant iff the action of \mathfrak{g} on M via $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_X$ can be integrated to a rational G -action.

- \mathcal{O}_X is a G -equivariant \mathcal{D}_X -module.
- Functors induced by equivariant maps preserve equivariance.
- If V is a rational G -module, then $\mathcal{P}(V) := \mathcal{D}_X \otimes_{U\mathfrak{g}} V$ is equivariant.

Let $\text{mod}_G(\mathcal{D}_X)$ be the full subcategory of coherent, equivariant \mathcal{D} -modules.

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As V is a semi-simple G_x -module, we first must consider irreducible representations that have finitely many orbits.

Irreducible representations of reductive groups with finitely many orbits have been classified [Sato–Kimura '77, Kac '80].

From now on, we let X be a G -module with G reductive.

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V_λ irreducible G -module with highest weight vector v_λ . $\mathcal{P}(V_\lambda) = \mathcal{D}_X \otimes_{U_{\mathfrak{g}}} V_\lambda$ is a *projective* object in $\text{mod}_G(\mathcal{D}_X)$, as for any $M \in \text{mod}_G(\mathcal{D}_X)$

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}_X}(\mathcal{P}(V_\lambda), M) = \text{Hom}_G(V_\lambda, M) = M_\lambda.$$

Thus, character formulas for the simples S in $\text{mod}_G(\mathcal{D}_X)$ are very useful. When X is spherical, then S is multiplicity-free as a G -module [L.-Walther '19].

$\mathcal{P}(V_\lambda) \cong \mathcal{D}_X / (\text{Ann}_{U_{\mathfrak{g}}} v_\lambda)$, which gives an explicit presentation.

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Assume X is prehomogeneous (i.e. with a dense G -orbit). Then for a semi-invariant f

$$f^*(\partial) \cdot f^{s+1}(x) = b_f(s) \cdot f^s(x).$$

Example

Let $f = \det(x_{ij})$ be the $n \times n$ determinant, then

$$\det(\partial_{ij}) \cdot \det(x_{ij})^{s+1} = (s+1) \cdots (s+n) \cdot \det(x_{ij})^s.$$

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\widehat{AA}_n has finitely many indecomposable representations!

Local cohomology supported in determinantal varieties [L.-Raicu '20]

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When $m \neq n$, the category $\mathrm{mod}_G(\mathcal{D}_X)$ is semi-simple, so each $H_{O_t}^i(D_p)$ is a direct sum of D_0, \dots, D_n .

In the square case $m = n$, the indecomposables of main interest:

$Q_p := \frac{\mathbb{C}[X]_{\det}}{\mathcal{D}_X \cdot \det^{p+1-n}} \in \mathrm{mod}_G(\mathcal{D}_X)$ corresponds in $\mathrm{rep}(\widehat{AA}_n)$ to

$$\mathbb{C} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{1} \\ \xleftarrow{0} \end{array} \mathbb{C} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{1} \\ \xleftarrow{0} \end{array} \cdots \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{1} \\ \xleftarrow{0} \end{array} \mathbb{C} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{0} \\ \xleftarrow{0} \end{array} 0 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{0} \\ \xleftarrow{0} \end{array} \cdots \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{0} \\ \xleftarrow{0} \end{array} 0 \quad (p \text{ 1's})$$

Direct sum decomposition in square case

$$q\text{-binomial coefficient: } \binom{a}{b}_q = \frac{(1 - q^a) \cdot (1 - q^{a-1}) \cdots (1 - q^{a-b+1})}{(1 - q^b) \cdot (1 - q^{b-1}) \cdots (1 - q)}$$

Theorem (L.-Raicu '20)

We have the direct sum decomposition of \mathcal{D} -modules ($t < p$)

$$\sum_{j \geq 0} [H_{\overline{O}_t}^j(D_p)] \cdot q^j = \bigoplus_{s=0}^t [Q_s] \cdot q^{(p-t)^2} \cdot m_s(q^2),$$

where $m_t(q) = \binom{n-t}{p-t}_q$, and for $s = 0, \dots, t-1$

$$m_s(q) = \binom{n-s}{p-s}_q \cdot \binom{p-1-s}{t-s}_q - \binom{n-s-1}{p-s-1}_q \cdot \binom{p-2-s}{t-1-s}_q$$

We can compute iterated local cohomology modules, in particular $H_{\{0\}}^i(H_{\overline{O}_t}^j(\mathbb{C}[X]))$ yields the Lyubeznik numbers of \overline{O}_t .

We also compute the Borel–Moore homology groups of \overline{O}_t using local cohomology (jt. with Raicu).

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Definition (L. '21)

Let h be a holonomic function and f the defining polynomial of $\text{Sing } \mathcal{D}_X \cdot h$. Then the monic polynomial $b_h(s) \in \mathbb{C}[s]$ of minimal degree satisfying

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Fix an arbitrary simply-connected domain $\Omega \subset O$. A function h on Ω is G -finite if $Ug \cdot h$ is a finite-dimensional G -module. Such h is an algebraic function.

Theorem

The algebra G -finite functions on Ω has a direct sum decomposition into indecomposable $\mathcal{D}_X \times \Gamma$ -modules as follows:

$$\bigoplus_{\chi \text{ irrep of } \Gamma} (S^\chi)_f \otimes \chi.$$

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They can be found using Bernstein–Sato polynomials and

$$m_\lambda((S^X)_f) = m_\chi(V_\lambda^{*H_0}).$$

This can implicitly give character formulas for $(S^X)_f$.

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Assume that $X \setminus O$ is an irreducible hypersurface. Put $d = \deg f$, $n = \dim X$. Then for non-zero $h \in (S^X)_\lambda$ and $h^* \in (S^{X^*})_{\lambda^*}$, we have

$$b_h(s) = \pm b_{h^*} \left(-s - \frac{n}{d} - 1 \right).$$

These generalize Sato's results on semi-invariants.

Classification of G -finite functions

We have to consider only 6 irreducible representations with finitely many orbits (when $Z(f)$ is not normal):

- 1 $(\mathrm{GL}_2, 3\Lambda_1)$ – binary cubic forms;
- 2 $(\mathrm{SL}_3 \times \mathrm{GL}_2, 2\Lambda_1 \otimes \Lambda_1)$ – pairs of 3×3 symmetric matrices;
- 3 $(\mathrm{SL}_3 \times \mathrm{SL}_3 \times \mathrm{GL}_2, \Lambda_1 \otimes \Lambda_1 \otimes \Lambda_1)$ – $3 \times 3 \times 2$ tensors;
- 4 $(\mathrm{SL}_6 \times \mathrm{GL}_2, \Lambda_2 \otimes \Lambda_1)$ – pairs of 6×6 skew-symmetric matrices;
- 5 $(\mathrm{E}_6 \times \mathrm{GL}_2, \Lambda_1 \otimes \Lambda_1)$ – pairs of exceptional simple Jordan algebras;
- 6 $(\mathrm{SL}_5 \times \mathrm{GL}_4, \Lambda_2 \otimes \Lambda_1)$ – quadruples of 5×5 skew-symmetric matrices.

Binary cubic forms

$G = \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{C})$ acting on $X = \mathrm{Sym}^3 \mathbb{C}^2$, with $\Gamma = S_3$. Let $\mathbb{C}[X] = \mathbb{C}[x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3]$. Let $r = r(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3)$ be an algebraic function satisfying

$$x_3 \cdot r^3 + x_2 \cdot r^2 + x_1 \cdot r + x_0 = 0.$$

The discriminant is $f = x_1^2 x_2^2 - 4x_1^3 x_3 - 4x_0 x_2^3 - 27x_0^2 x_3^2 + 18x_0 x_1 x_2 x_3$.
By M. Sato, the Bernstein–Sato polynomial of the semi-invariant f is

$$b_f(s) = (s+1)^2 \cdot (s+5/6) \cdot (s+7/6), \quad f^*(\partial) \cdot f^{s+1} = b_f(s) \cdot f^s.$$

Proposition

Put $h_0 = x_2 + 3x_3 \cdot r$. Then $h_0 \in S^{\mathrm{st}}$ is a G -finite holonomic function, and $U_{\mathfrak{g}} \cdot h_0 \cong V_{(2,1)}$ is a witness representation for S^{st} . We have

$$f^*(\partial) \cdot f^{s+1} h_0 = b_{h_0}(s) \cdot f^s h_0, \quad \text{with} \quad b_{h_0}(s) = (s+1)^2 \cdot \left(s + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2$$

The series (2) – (5)

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The irreducible semi-invariant f of degree 12 is the discriminant of

$$\det(uX_1 + vX_2) = d_1 \cdot u^3 + d_2 \cdot u^2v + d_3 \cdot uv^2 + d_4 \cdot v^3.$$

We have $\Gamma = S_3$, except the case $l = 1$ when $\Gamma = S_4$.

Theorem

Put $h = h_0(d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4)$. Then $h \in S^{\mathrm{st}}$ is G -finite with $Ug \cdot h \cong \mathrm{triv} \otimes V_{(2,1)}$ a witness representation for S^{st} . Hence, $f^*(\partial) \cdot f^{s+1}h = b_h(s) \cdot f^s h$ with

$$b_h(s) = (s+1)^2 \left(s + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \left(s + \frac{l+1}{2}\right)^2 \left(s + \frac{l+2}{2}\right)^2 \left(s + \frac{3l+8}{12}\right) \cdot \left(s + \frac{3l+10}{12}\right) \left(s + \frac{3l+14}{12}\right) \left(s + \frac{3l+16}{12}\right).$$

d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4 are algebraically independent and $\mathbb{C}[X]^{\mathrm{SL}_3(A)} = \mathbb{C}[d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4]$.

The degenerate case $l = 1$

Extra simple \mathcal{D} -modules $S^{(2,1,1)}$ and $S^{(3,1)}$ in the case $l = 1$.

Theorem

The representation $\lambda^1 = \Lambda_1 \otimes (1, 1)$ (resp. $\lambda^2 = \Lambda_1 \otimes (-2, -2)$) is a witness representation for $S^{(3,1)}$ (resp. $S^{(2,1,1)}$). For a non-zero $h_1 \in (S^{(3,1)})_{\lambda^1}$ (resp. $h_2 \in (S^{(2,1,1)})_{\lambda^2}$), we have $f^(\partial) \cdot f^{s+1} h_i = b_{h_i}(s) \cdot f^s h_i$ with*

$$b_{h_1}(s) = (s+1)^4 \left(s + \frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \left(s + \frac{5}{6}\right)^2 \left(s + \frac{7}{6}\right)^2,$$

$$b_{h_2}(s) = b_{h_1}\left(s - \frac{1}{2}\right).$$

We can choose $h_1 = \sqrt{f} \cdot h_2$. We use the explicit form of h_1 as follows.

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$$v_6 = d_{04}d_{12}^2 + d_{12}^3 + d_{02}d_{05}d_{13} - d_{01}d_{05}d_{14} - 2d_{02}d_{12}d_{14} - d_{02}d_{03}d_{15} + \\ + d_{01}d_{04}d_{15} + d_{01}d_{12}d_{15} + d_{02}d_{23}d_{12} + d_{02}^2d_{34},$$

$$v_8 = (-1/3) \cdot (4y_{11}^2d_2^2 - 12y_{11}^2d_1d_3 - 4x_{11}y_{11}d_2d_3 + 4x_{11}^2d_3^2 + 36x_{11}y_{11}d_1d_4 - 12x_{11}^2d_4 - v_4^2).$$

Then $y = h_1$ is a root of the algebraic equation

$$y^4 - 2 \cdot v_4 \cdot y^2 + 8 \cdot v_6 \cdot y - v_8 = 0.$$

Series expansions

Based on the work of Gelfand, Kapranov, Zelevinsky on A -hypergeometric systems, the series expansions for roots are given in Sturmfels '00. Below $u = -2v_4, z = -v_8, w = 64v_6^2$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T = & u^{-1} - w/u^4 + (2z)/u^3 - (10wz)/u^6 + (6z^2)/u^5 - (70wz^2)/u^8 - (330wz(w^2 + 7z^3))/u^{12} + \\
 & + (3w^2 + 20z^3)/u^7 - 12(w^3 + 35wz^3)/u^{10} + 14(4w^2z + 5z^4)/u^9 + 126(5w^2z^2 + 2z^5)/u^{11} - \\
 & - 1716(3w^3z^2 + 7wz^5)/u^{14} + 11(5w^4 + 504w^2z^3 + 84z^6)/u^{13} - 273(w^5 + 220w^3z^3 + 220wz^6)/u^{16} + \\
 & + 286(7w^4z + 147w^2z^4 + 12z^7)/u^{15} - 1768(7w^5z + 330w^3z^4 + 165wz^7)/u^{18} + 286(140w^4z^2 + \\
 & + 1008w^2z^5 + 45z^8)/u^{17} - 25194(12w^5z^2 + 198w^3z^5 + 55wz^8)/u^{20} + 4522z^2(14157w^2z^6 + \\
 & + 156z^9)/u^{23} + 646z(10725w^4z^3 + 17160w^2z^6 + 286z^9)/u^{21} + 68(21w^6 + 8580w^4z^3 + \\
 & + 27027w^2z^6 + 715z^9)/u^{19} - 1292(30030w^3z^6 + 5005wz^9)/u^{22}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Get $b_{h_1}(s)$ from $f^*(\partial) \cdot f^{s+1}h_1 = b_{h_1}(s) \cdot f^s h_1$ by reduction to an invariant subring and then via a careful calculation using the truncation above.