

Multi-grounded partitions and character formulas

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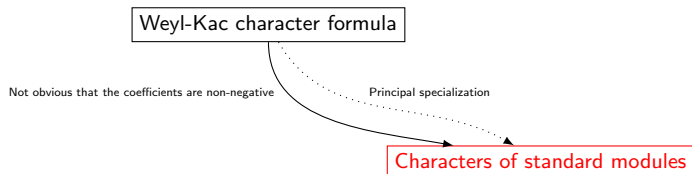
Weyl-Kac character formula

Not obvious that the coefficients are non-negative

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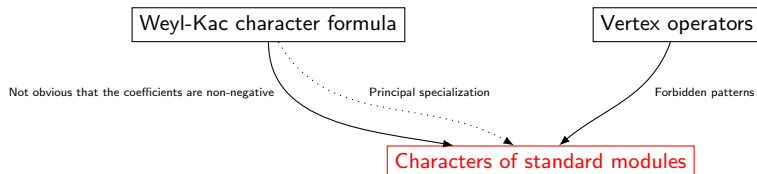
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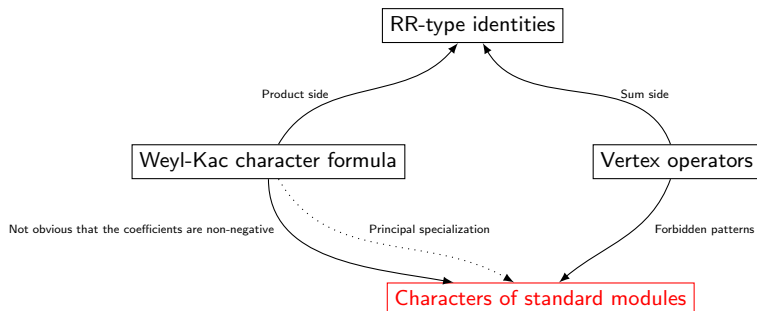
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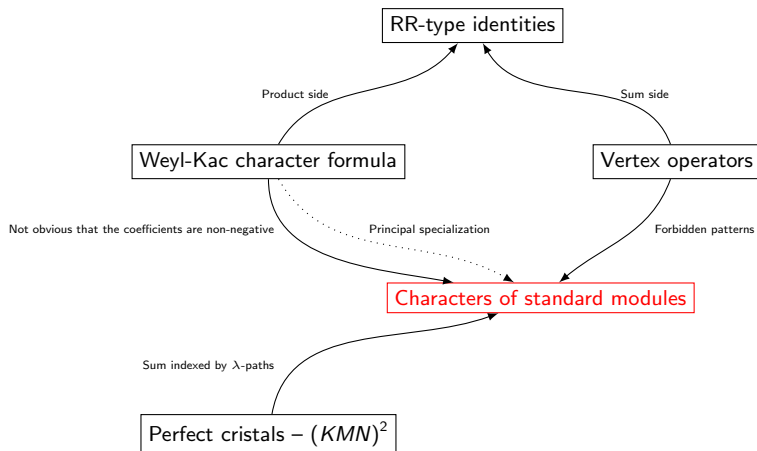
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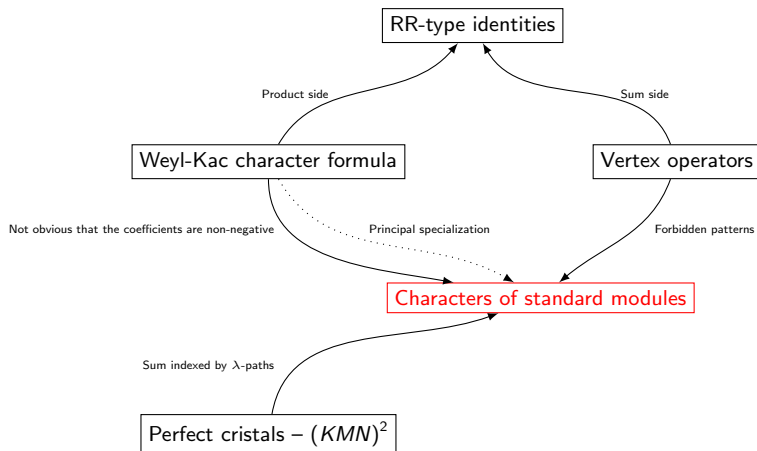
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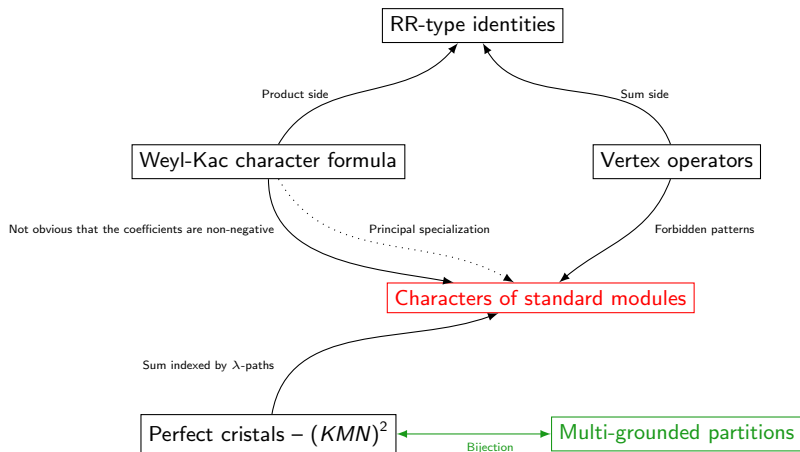
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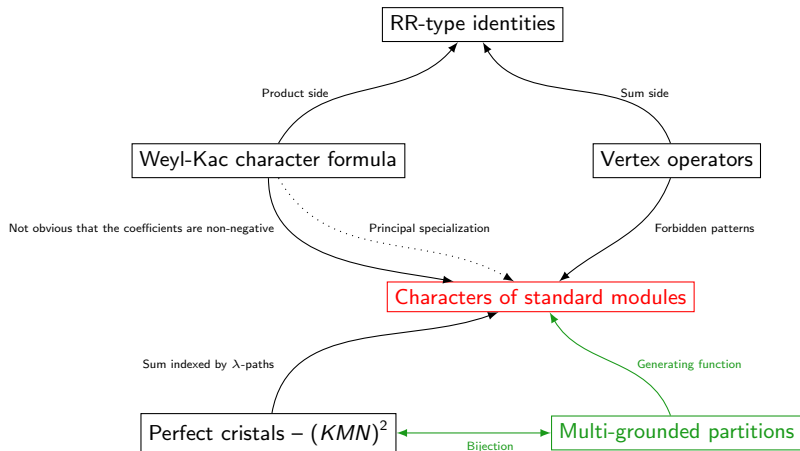
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Example: $(4, 3, 1, 1), (1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$.

Generalized colored partitions

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Example: $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$, and let \gg be the **order** defined on $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathcal{C}}$ such that

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The sequence $(3_{c_1}, 3_{c_1}, 2_{c_2}, 2_{c_1})$ is allowed, but not $(2_{c_1}, 2_{c_2})$.

Multi-grounded partitions

Let \mathcal{C} , $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathcal{C}}$, and \succ be respectively a set of colors, the set of integers colored with colors in \mathcal{C} , and a binary relation defined on $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathcal{C}}$. Suppose that there exist some colors $c_{g_0}, \dots, c_{g_{t-1}}$ in \mathcal{C} and **unique** colored integers $u_{c_{g_0}}^{(0)}, \dots, u_{c_{g_{t-1}}}^{(t-1)}$ such that

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Then a **multi-grounded partition** with ground $c_{g_0}, \dots, c_{g_{t-1}}$ and relation \succ is a non-empty generalized colored partition $\pi = (\pi_0, \dots, \pi_{s-1}, u_{c_{g_0}}^{(0)}, \dots, u_{c_{g_{t-1}}}^{(t-1)})$ with relation \succ , such that $(\pi_{s-t}, \dots, \pi_{s-1}) \neq (u_{c_{g_0}}^{(0)}, \dots, u_{c_{g_{t-1}}}^{(t-1)})$ in terms of colored integers.

Example of multi-grounded partitions

Consider the set of colors $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2, c_3\}$, the matrix

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and define the relation \succ on $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathcal{C}}$ by $k_{c_b} \succ k'_{c_{b'}}$ if and only if $k - k' \geq M_{b,b'}$. If we choose $(g_0, g_1) = (1, 3)$, then $(u^{(0)}, u^{(1)}) = (1, -1)$.

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Hence, $(3_{c_3}, 3_{c_2}, 3_{c_1}, -1_{c_3}, \mathbf{1}_{c_1}, -\mathbf{1}_{c_3})$ and $(1_{c_3}, 3_{c_1}, 1_{c_3}, 3_{c_1}, -1_{c_3}, \mathbf{1}_{c_1}, -\mathbf{1}_{c_3})$ are examples of multi-grounded partitions with ground c_1, c_3 and relation \succ , while $(1_{c_1}, -1_{c_3}, \mathbf{1}_{c_1}, -\mathbf{1}_{c_3})$ and $(2_{c_1}, \mathbf{1}_{c_1}, -\mathbf{1}_{c_3})$ are not.

Perfect crystals

Let \mathfrak{g} be an affine Kac–Moody algebra with simple positive roots $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_n$ and with null root $\delta = d_0\alpha_0 + \dots + d_n\alpha_n$. For an integer level $\ell \geq 1$ and a dominant weight λ of level ℓ , Kashiwara et al. define the notion of a *perfect crystal* \mathcal{B} of level ℓ , an *energy function* $H: \mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, and a particular element

$$p_\lambda = (g_k)_{k=0}^\infty = \dots \otimes g_{k+1} \otimes g_k \otimes \dots \otimes g_1 \otimes g_0 \in \mathcal{B}^\infty,$$

called the *ground state path of weight* λ . From this they consider all elements of the form

$$p = (p_k)_{k=0}^\infty = \dots \otimes p_{k+1} \otimes p_k \otimes \dots \otimes p_1 \otimes p_0 \in \mathcal{B}^\infty,$$

which satisfy $p_k = g_k$ for large enough k . Such elements are called λ -paths.

The $(KMN)^2$ character formula

Theorem ((KMN)² crystal base character formula)

Let λ be a dominant weight of level ℓ , let H be an energy function on $\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B}$, and let $\mathfrak{p} = (p_k)_{k=0}^{\infty}$ be a λ -path. Then the weight of \mathfrak{p} and the character of the irreducible highest weight $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}})$ -module $L(\lambda)$ are given by the following expressions:

$$\text{wt} \mathfrak{p} = \lambda + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left((\overline{\text{wt}} p_k - \overline{\text{wt}} g_k) - \frac{\delta}{d_0} \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} (H(p_{j+1} \otimes p_j) - H(g_{j+1} \otimes g_j)) \right),$$

$$\text{ch}(L(\lambda)) = \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\lambda)} e^{\text{wt} \mathfrak{p}},$$

where $\overline{\text{wt}} b$ stands for the weight of the element b in \mathcal{B} .

Normalizing the energy function

Let \mathcal{B} be a perfect crystal of level ℓ , and let λ be a level ℓ dominant weight with ground state path $p_\lambda = (g_k)_{k \geq 0}$ with period t . Let H be an energy function on $\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B}$.

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Define the function H_λ , for all $b, b' \in \mathcal{B}$, by

$$H_\lambda(b \otimes b') := H(b \otimes b') - \frac{1}{t} \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} H(g_{k+1} \otimes g_k).$$

In the following, we choose a **suitable divisor** D of $2t$ such that $DH_\lambda(\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B}) \subset \mathbb{Z}$ and $\frac{1}{t} \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} (k+1)DH_\lambda(g_{k+1} \otimes g_k) \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Multi-grounded partition related to the energy function

Let us now consider the set of colors $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}$ indexed by \mathcal{B} , and let us define the relation \gg on $\mathbb{Z}_{\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{B}}}$ by

$$k_{c_b} \gg k'_{c_{b'}} \iff k - k' \geq DH_{\lambda}(b' \otimes b).$$

Proposition

The set of multi-grounded partitions with ground $c_{g_0}, \dots, c_{g_{t-1}}$ and relation \gg is the set of non-empty generalized colored partitions

$\pi = (\pi_0, \dots, \pi_{s-1}, u_{c_{g_0}}^{(0)}, \dots, u_{c_{g_{t-1}}}^{(t-1)})$ with relation \gg such that

$(\pi_{s-t}, \dots, \pi_{s-1}) \neq (u_{c_{g_0}}^{(0)}, \dots, u_{c_{g_{t-1}}}^{(t-1)})$, and for all $k \in \{0, \dots, t-1\}$,

$$u^{(k)} = -\frac{1}{t} \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} (j+1) DH_{\lambda}(g_{j+1} \otimes g_j) + \sum_{j=k}^{t-1} DH_{\lambda}(g_{j+1} \otimes g_j).$$

Main result

Let d be a positive integer. Let \mathcal{P}_d be the set of multi-grounded partitions with ground $c_{g_0}, \dots, c_{g_{t-1}}$ and relation \gg satisfying the following conditions:

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Theorem (Dousse, K.)

Setting $q = e^{-\delta/(d_0 D)}$ and $c_b = e^{\overline{\text{wt}}_b}$ for all $b \in \mathcal{B}$, we have $c_{g_0} \cdots c_{g_{t-1}} = 1$, and the character of the irreducible highest weight $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module $L(\lambda)$ is given by the following expressions:

$$\sum_{\pi \in \mathcal{P}_d} C(\pi) q^{|\pi|} = \frac{e^{-\lambda \text{ch}(L(\lambda))}}{(q^d; q^d)_\infty}.$$

Here, $C(\pi) = c_{b_0} \cdots c_{b_s}$ and $|\pi| = k_0 + \cdots + k_s$ for the generalized colored partition $\pi = ((k_0)_{c_{b_0}}, \dots, (k_s)_{c_{b_s}})$.

Character for standard level 1 modules of the Lie algebra $A_{2n-1}^{(2)}$ ($n \geq 3$)

Theorem (Dousse, K.)

Let $n \geq 3$, and let $\Lambda_0, \dots, \Lambda_n$ be the fundamental weights and $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_n$ be the simple roots of $A_{2n-1}^{(2)}$. Let $\delta = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 \cdots + 2\alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_n$ be the null root. Set

$$q = e^{-\delta/2} \quad \text{and} \quad c_i = e^{\alpha_i + \cdots + \alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_n/2} \quad \text{for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

The two dominant weights of level 1 are Λ_0 and Λ_1 , and we have

$$e^{-\Lambda_0 \text{ch}(L(\Lambda_0))} = \mathcal{E} \left((q^2; q^4)_\infty \prod_{k=1}^n (-c_k q; q^2)_\infty (-c_k^{-1} q; q^2)_\infty \right),$$

$$e^{-\Lambda_1 \text{ch}(L(\Lambda_1))} = \mathcal{E} \left((q^2; q^4)_\infty (-c_1 q^3; q^2)_\infty (-c_1^{-1} q^{-1}; q^2)_\infty \prod_{k=2}^n (-c_k q; q^2)_\infty (-c_k^{-1} q; q^2)_\infty \right),$$

where

$$\mathcal{E}(F(c_1, \dots, c_n)) = \frac{1}{2}(F(c_1, \dots, c_n) + F(-c_1, \dots, -c_n)).$$

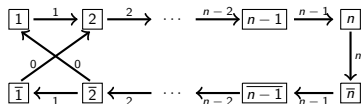
Crystal graph \mathcal{B} of the vector representation for the Lie algebra

$A_{2n-1}^{(2)}$ ($n \geq 3$)

$$\mathcal{B} :$$

$$b^{\Lambda_0} = b_{\Lambda_1} = 1 \quad b^{\Lambda_1} = b_{\Lambda_0} = \bar{1}$$

$$p_{\Lambda_0} = (\dots \bar{1} 1 \bar{1} 1 \bar{1}) \quad p_{\Lambda_1} = (\dots 1 \bar{1} 1 \bar{1} 1)$$



Energy function

The energy function such that $H(1 \otimes \bar{1}) = -1$, where $H(b_1 \otimes b_2)$ is the entry in column b_1 and row b_2 :

$$H = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n & \bar{n} & \dots & \bar{2} & \bar{1} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ n \\ \bar{n} \\ \vdots \\ \bar{2} \\ \bar{1} \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ \dots & \ddots & & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & & & & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & & & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & 1^* & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ -1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}.$$

Character of $L(\Lambda_0)$

The ground state path is $p_{\Lambda_0} = (\dots \bar{1}1\bar{1}1\bar{1})$.

For $D = d = t = 2$, we obtain $u^{(0)} = -1$ and $u^{(1)} = 1$ and the corresponding partial order on odd colored integers:

$$\dots \ll \begin{matrix} (-1)_{c_{\bar{1}}} \\ 1_{c_1} \end{matrix} \ll 1_{c_2} \ll \dots \ll 1_{c_n} \ll 1_{c_{\bar{n}}} \ll \dots \ll 1_{c_2} \ll \begin{matrix} 1_{c_{\bar{1}}} \\ 3_{c_1} \end{matrix} \ll 3_{c_2} \ll \dots$$

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The set \mathcal{P}_2 consists of the multi-grounded partitions into odd colored integers and grounded in $c_{\bar{1}}c_1$, and the generating function is given by

$$\frac{(-c_1q, -c_{\bar{1}}q, \dots, -c_nq, -c_{\bar{n}}q; q^2)_{\infty}}{(c_{\bar{1}}c_1q^4; q^4)_{\infty}}.$$

Character of $L(\Lambda_1)$

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$$\frac{(-c_1 q^3, -c_{\bar{1}} q^{-1}, -c_2 q, -c_{\bar{2}} q \dots, -c_n q, -c_{\bar{n}} q; q^2)_{\infty}}{(c_{\bar{1}} c_1 q^4; q^4)_{\infty}}.$$

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- Compute the character of standard level one modules of type $C_n^{(1)}$ ($n \geq 2$).
- Compute the character of standard modules for all levels and all types.