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Algebraic Lie Theory at the  
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derived equivalences II

categorification of  $s\ell_2$

$s\ell_2(\mathbb{C})$  has basis  $e = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
 $\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$v$  - finite dimensional  $s\ell_2$ -module

$$v = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}} v_\lambda, \quad v_\lambda = \{r \in v \mid \lambda r = \lambda r\}$$

$$\dots \xrightarrow{e} v_{\lambda-2} \xrightarrow{e} v_\lambda \xrightarrow{e} v_{\lambda+2} \xrightarrow{e} \dots$$

$\curvearrowleft_f \quad \curvearrowleft_f \quad \curvearrowleft_f$

integrates to an action of  $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$   
 ~~$\otimes$~~   $\in SL_2(\mathbb{C})$  given by

$$\theta \otimes \theta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \exp(-f) \exp(e) \exp(-f)$$

$$\theta \otimes \theta : v_\lambda \xrightarrow{\sim} v_{-\lambda}$$

Now categorify:

$v$ : Grothendieck group (complexified)  
 $K_{\mathbb{C}} := \bigoplus_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} K_0(A)$  of an abelian  
category  $A$ .

$e, f$ : classes of exact functors  $E, F: A \rightarrow A$   
 Assume  $E$  is left and right adjoint  
 to  $F$ .

Weight space decomposition  $A = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}} A_\lambda$ ,

$$K_C(A_\lambda) = V_\lambda$$

The reflection ~~measure~~  $\Theta$  comes from  $\Theta$   
 comes from  $\Theta: D^b(A_{-\lambda}) \xrightarrow{\sim} D^b(A_\lambda)$ .

To prove that  $\Theta$  exists, need an action  
 of the affine Hecke algebra on  $E$  and  $F$ .

Motivation: systematic construction of  
 interesting derived equivalences, e.g. for  
 Beilinson's abelian defect group conjecture.

examples let  $k$  be a field.

$$1) k\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{E \text{id}} k\text{-mod} \quad \text{as } C \xrightarrow{\sim} C$$

$\xleftarrow{\text{id}} \xleftarrow{F \text{id}}$

$$2) k\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\sim} k\text{-mod}$$

$$3) A = \underbrace{k\text{-mod}}_{V_1} \oplus \underbrace{k\text{-mod}}_{V_2} \xrightarrow{e} \underbrace{k\text{-mod}}_{V_1 \oplus V_2}$$

$\xleftarrow{f} \xleftarrow{F}$

$$\text{Ex} \quad \mathbb{C}_{-1} \xrightarrow{e} \mathbb{C}_1$$

$\xleftarrow{f}$

$$4) k\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{E} k\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{E} k\text{-mod}$$

$\xleftarrow{F} \xleftarrow{F}$

$$E: v \rightarrow v^{\oplus m}$$

DOESN'T WORK.

$F^0 x :$

$$2) \quad k\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{E=Ind} \frac{k[x]}{x^2}\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{E=Res} k\text{-mod}$$

$\nwarrow F=Res \qquad \swarrow F=Ind$

$$\mathbb{C}_{-2} \xrightarrow{e} \mathbb{C}_0 \xrightarrow{e} \mathbb{C}_2$$

$\nwarrow f \qquad \swarrow f$

$$3) \quad \text{Interchange } k \text{ and } \frac{k[x]}{x^2} \text{ in 2)}$$

$$4) \quad \text{Let } B = \frac{k[x]}{x^3}$$

$$k\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\text{Ind}} B\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{Z \otimes_B^{-}} B\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\text{Res}} k\text{-mod}$$

$\nwarrow \text{Res} \qquad \swarrow Z \otimes_B^{-} \qquad \nwarrow \text{Ind}$

$$Z = \ker(B \otimes_B \xrightarrow{\text{mult}} B)$$

$$5) \quad \text{char } k = 2.$$

$$B(k[S_3])\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\text{Ind}} B(k[S_4])\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\text{Ind}} B(k[S_5])\text{-mod} \xrightarrow{\text{Ind}} B(k[S_6])\text{-mod}$$

$\nwarrow \text{Res} \qquad \swarrow \text{Res} \qquad \nwarrow \text{Res}$

simple  
certain blocks

$$\mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{C}^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{C}^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \mathbb{C}$$

$\nwarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \swarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \nwarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

extension of example 4 by example 1.

6)  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{C})$ ;  $\mathcal{D} = \{\text{diagonal matrices}\}$   
 $\mathcal{U} = \{\text{upper triangular matrices}\}$

$\mathcal{A} = \text{category } \mathcal{O} \text{ for } \mathfrak{g}: \text{f.g. } \mathfrak{g}\text{-modules,}$   
 $\mathcal{D}\text{-diagonalizable,}$   
 $\text{locally } \mathcal{U}\text{-finite.}$

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$$\mathfrak{gl}_n \otimes M \longrightarrow M$$

$W = \mathbb{C}^n$  (natural representation)

$$W^* \otimes W \otimes M \longrightarrow M$$

$$\rightsquigarrow L_M: W \otimes M \longrightarrow W \otimes M$$

$$E_a M = \left\{ v \in W \otimes M \mid (L_M - a)^N v = 0, N \gg 0 \right\}$$

$$W \otimes M = \bigoplus_{a \in \mathbb{C}} E_a M; \quad W^* \otimes M = \bigoplus_{a \in \mathbb{C}} F_a M$$

Then  $e = [E_a]$ ,  $f = [F_a]$  give an action  
of  $\mathfrak{sl}_2(\mathbb{C})$  on  $K_{\mathbb{C}}(A)$ .

By construction, the functor  $E_a: A \longrightarrow A$   
comes w/  $x: E_a \longrightarrow E_a$  where  $x_M = L_M - a$   
consider

$$\begin{aligned} T: W \otimes W \otimes M &\longrightarrow W \otimes W \otimes M \\ w \otimes w' \otimes m &\longmapsto w' \otimes w \otimes m \end{aligned}$$

Exercise (nakawa-suzuki)

$$W \otimes W \otimes M$$

$$L_{W \otimes M} \circ T \quad \left( \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \text{from } T_M \circ (\text{id } L_M) + \text{id} \\ \end{array} \right)$$

$$W \otimes W \otimes M$$

It follows that  $\tau$  acting on  $\text{wono}$ -restricts to an endomorphism of  $E_\alpha^2$

## $S_2$ - categorification

$k$ -linear abelian category  $A$  w/ finite composition series together w/ exact  $E, F : A \rightarrow A$  s.t.

- $E$  is left and right adjoint to  $F$
- Action of  $[E]$  and  $[F]$  on

$v = K_C(A)$  induces locally finite action of  $S_2$

$$\bullet A = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}} A_\lambda, \quad K_C(A_\lambda) = v_\lambda$$

and natural transformations  $x : E \rightarrow E$   
 $T : EE \rightarrow EE$ , s.t

$$T^2 = \text{id}_{EE} \quad \text{and}$$

$$(T \circ \text{id}_E) \cdot (\text{id}_E T) \cdot (T \circ \text{id}_E) \\ = (\text{id}_E T) \circ (T \circ \text{id}_E) \circ (\text{id}_E T) \quad \text{in } \text{End}(E^3)$$

$$\bullet T \cdot (\text{id}_E x) = (x \circ \text{id}_E) \circ T - \text{id}_E$$

$$\bullet x_M \in \text{End}(EM) \quad \text{is locally nilpotent.}$$

Theorem The action of  $\mathcal{O} \in \text{End } v$  lifts to an equivalence of self-equivalences of  $\Theta : D^b(A) \xrightarrow{\sim} D^b(A)$  restricting to  $D^b(A_{-\lambda}) \xrightarrow{\sim} D^b(A_\lambda)$ .

(construction of  $\Theta$  is due to Rickard)

link to (degenerate) affine Hecke algebra

$$H_n^{\text{aff}} = k\langle T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle / \sim$$

$$\leftarrow k[S_n] \otimes k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

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as vector spaces

get homomorphism

$$H_n^{\text{aff}} \rightarrow \text{End}(E^n)$$

$T_i^\circ$  = swap at the  $i^{\text{th}}$  tensor.

$x_i^\circ$  = action of JM element

$$T_i^\circ x_{i+1}^\circ = x_i^\circ T_i^\circ - 1$$

$$0 = \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{(e^i)^{\overset{i+k}{\cancel{\text{extra}}}}}{i! j! k!} f^i e^j f^k$$