# Shapovalov elements for classical and quantum groups

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# Setup

Let  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_- \oplus \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_+$  be simple complex Lie algebra

 $U = U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  be its quantized universal enveloping algebra

 $U \simeq U^- \otimes U^0 \otimes U^+$  (triangular decomposition)

where 
$$U^\pm = U_q(\mathfrak{g}^\pm)$$
 и  $U^0 = U_q(\mathfrak{h})$ 

 ${f R}$  is its root system

 $\mathrm{R}^+ \subset \mathrm{R}$  is set of positive root

 $\Pi$  is basis of simple positive roots

$$ho = rac{1}{2} \sum_{lpha \in \mathbf{R}^+} lpha$$
, Вектор Вейля

## *U*-modules

Let V be a U a-module

Vector  $v \in V$  is of weight  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  if

$$h\mathbf{v} = \lambda(h)\mathbf{v}, \quad \forall h \in \mathfrak{h}$$

Weight vector v is called singular (extremal) if  $\mathfrak{g}_+v=0$ .

V is of highest weight  $\lambda$  if generated by a singular vector of w.  $\lambda$ . Verma module  $V_{\lambda}$  is generated by a highest vector of weight  $\lambda$  freely over  $U^-$ , i.e.  $U^- \simeq V_{\lambda}$ .

Every module of highest weight  $\lambda$  if a quotient of  $V_{\lambda}$ .

Every singular vector in  $V_{\lambda}$  is a highest of a submodule.

The problem: describe explicitly singular vectors in  $V_{\lambda}$ De Concini-Kac-Kazhdan 'hyperplane'

$$\mathcal{P}_{\beta,m} = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^* | q^{2(\lambda + \rho, \beta^{\vee})} = q^{m(\alpha, \alpha)} \}, \quad \beta \in \mathrm{R}^+, \quad m \in \mathbb{N},$$

 $V_{\lambda}$  is reducible *iff*  $\lambda \in \cup_{\beta,m} \mathcal{P}_{\beta,m}$ .

Let  $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}_{eta, m}$ , then there is a singular vector  $v_{\lambda-meta} \in V_{\lambda}$ ,

$$v_{\lambda-m\beta}= heta_{eta,m}v_{\lambda},\quad heta_{eta,m}\in U^-\simeq V_{\lambda}.$$

If  $\beta \in \Pi$  (simple), then  $\theta_{\beta,m} = f_{\beta}^m$  (where  $f_{\beta}$  is root vector).

- Bernstein-Gelfand-Gelfand (1971) (reduction to products of θ<sub>β,m</sub>)
- Malikov-Feigin-Fuchs (1986) (description of θ<sub>β,m</sub> via an interpolation procedure)
- ► Zhelobenko (1990) (factorization of  $\theta_{\beta,m} = \theta_{\beta,1}^m$ )
- Musson (2017) (Lie super algebras)
- ► A.M. (2015)  $(U_q(\mathfrak{sl}(n)))$

"Adjoint" U-module and its Hasse diagram

Let  $\xi \in \mathrm{R}^+$  be maximal root.

Let  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$  be fin.dim *U*-module of h.w.  $\xi$ 

Let V denote  $U^+$ -module  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}/\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_+$ .

$$V[-\alpha] \simeq \mathbb{C} \text{ if } \alpha \in \mathrm{R}^+ \text{ and } V[0] \simeq \mathfrak{h}.$$

Basis in V:

 $F_{\alpha} \in V[-\alpha]$  with  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $H_{\alpha} = e_{\alpha} \cdot F_{\alpha} \in V[0]$  with  $\alpha \in \Pi$ 

Hasse diagram  $\mathfrak{H}(V)$  associated with V

Nodes are basis elements of V.

• Arrow from node a to node b is  $\alpha \in \Pi$  if  $e_{\alpha}a \propto b$ .

Example of Hasse diagram  $\mathfrak{H}(V)$  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}(4)$ 



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## **Builing bricks**

Let 
$$\hat{\mathcal{R}} = q^{-\sum_i h_i \otimes h_i} \mathcal{R} \in U^+ \otimes U^-$$
 be Cartan-cut R-matrix.

Set 
$$\mathcal{C} = rac{1}{q-q^{-1}}(\hat{\mathcal{R}}-1\otimes 1), \qquad \lim_{q o 1}\mathcal{C} = \sum_{lpha\in\mathrm{R}^+} e_lpha\otimes f_lpha$$

Put  $C = (\pi \otimes \mathrm{id})(C) \in \mathrm{End}(V) \otimes U^-$ .

For each 
$$\mu\in \mathfrak{h}^*$$
 put  $h_\mu\in \mathfrak{h}$  s.t.  $\lambda(h_\mu)=(\lambda,\mu)$ ,  $orall\lambda\in h^*.$ 

For each weight  $\mu \in \Gamma_+ = \mathbb{Z}_+ \Pi$  put

$$\eta_{\mu} = h_{\mu} + (\mu, \rho) - \frac{1}{2}(\mu, \mu) \in \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathbb{C}.$$
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Set  $[z]_q = rac{q^z - q^{-z}}{q - q^{-1}}$ 

Shapovalov elements of degree 1

Write  $\mu \prec \nu$  for  $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{R}^+$  if  $F_{\mu} \succ F_{\nu}$ .

Suppose that  $\alpha \in \Pi$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  are such that  $\alpha \prec \beta$ . Define

$$heta_{eta,lpha}=c_{ij}+\sum_{k\geqslant 1}\sum_{lpha\preceq\gamma_k\prec\ldots\prec\gamma_1\preceta}c_{ik}\ldots c_{1j}rac{(-1)^kq^{\eta_{\mu_k}}\ldots q^{\eta_{\mu_1}}}{[\eta_{\mu_k}]_q\ldots[\eta_{\mu_1}]_q},$$

where

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{v}_i &= H_{\alpha}, \ \mathbf{v}_j = F_{\beta}, \\ \mathbf{v}_m &= F_{\gamma_m} \text{ with } \alpha \preceq \gamma_m \prec \beta \\ \mu_m &= \beta - \gamma_m, \ m = 1, \dots, k-1. \\ \mu_k &= \gamma_k. \end{split}$$

# Factorization of Shapovalov elements

For  $\nu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  denote by  $au_
u \colon U^0 o U^0$  an automorphism

$$( au_
u {\sf F})(\lambda) = arphi(\lambda+
u), \quad orall {\sf F} \in U^0, \quad \lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$$

### <u>Theorem.</u> (A.M.,2022)

Suppose  $\beta = \ell \alpha + ..., \alpha \in \Pi$  and let  $\omega_{\alpha}$  be fundamental weight. Then

- 1.  $heta_eta= heta_{eta,lpha}$  is a Shapovalov element of degree 1
- 2. For all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\theta_{\beta,m} = (\tau_{\phi_{\alpha}}^{m-1}\theta_{\beta}) \dots (\tau_{\phi_{\alpha}}\theta_{\beta}) \theta_{\beta}$ , where

$$\phi_{\alpha} = \frac{(\beta, \beta)}{\ell(\alpha, \alpha)} \omega_{\alpha}$$