

Beilinson-Bernstein localisation again

Recall:

Th^m: let G be a semi-simple algebraic group w/ Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . If $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ is a regular dominant weight, then there's an equivalence of categories

$$\left\{ \mathcal{D}_{G/B}^\lambda\text{-modules} \right\} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \\ \xleftarrow{\Delta} \end{array} \left\{ U^\lambda(\mathfrak{g})\text{-modules} \right\}$$

where $U^\lambda(\mathfrak{g}) = U(\mathfrak{g}) / \{x - \lambda(x) \mid x \in \mathfrak{Z}\}$
" $\mathfrak{Z}(U(\mathfrak{g}))$.

Goal for today:

- 1) Explain what $\mathcal{D}_{G/B}^\lambda$ means for general $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$
- 2) Introduce "monodromic \mathcal{D} -modules"
- 3) Examples!

Main reference:

Beilinson and Bernstein, "A proof of the Jantzen conjectures".

§1: Twisted differential operators and monodromic D-modules

Let X be a smooth alg variety / \mathbb{C}

Defⁿ: An algebra of twisted differential operators (or tdo) on X is a sheaf of associative algebras \mathcal{D} on X equipped with a morphism of algebras $i: \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ such that there exists a filtration \mathcal{D}_\bullet on \mathcal{D} with

1) \mathcal{D}_\bullet is a ring filtration with $\mathcal{D}_{-1} = 0$ and $\text{gr. } \mathcal{D}$ commutative

2) $\mathcal{D}_0 = \mathcal{O}_X$ and

$S_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{D}_1/\mathcal{D}_0) \rightarrow \text{gr. } \mathcal{D}$ is an iso

3) The morphism $\sigma: \mathcal{D}_1/\mathcal{D}_0 \rightarrow T_X$ given by

$$\sigma(\partial)(f) = \partial f - f\partial \in \mathcal{D}_0 = \mathcal{O}_X$$

is an isomorphism.

In modern language: \mathcal{D} is a filtered quantisation of the cotangent bundle T^*X .

Another perspective: Lie algebroids

Defⁿ: A Lie algebroid on X is a quasi-coherent sheaf \mathcal{F} on X equipped with

1) A Lie bracket $[\cdot, \cdot]: \mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$
(not \mathcal{O}_X -linear!)

2) An anchor map $a: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow T_X$

such that

$$[u, fv] = a(u)(f)v + f[u, v]$$

for u, v local sections of \mathcal{F}

f local section of \mathcal{O}_X .

Ex. the T_X is a Lie algebroid.

Ex. any Lie alg is a Lie algebroid

If \mathcal{D} is a tdo, then $\tilde{\mathcal{T}} = \mathcal{D}$ is a Lie algebroid equipped w, an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{i} \tilde{\mathcal{T}} \xrightarrow{a} T_X \rightarrow 0$$

such that $1 \in \mathcal{O}_X$ is central.

Such a thing is called a Picard algebroid. The functor

$$\{ \text{tdos} \} \longrightarrow \{ \text{Picard algebroids} \}$$

$$\mathcal{D} \longmapsto \mathcal{D}_1$$

is an equivalence of categories.

Inverse sends \tilde{T} to $D = U(\tilde{T}) / \langle i(F) - F | F \in \mathcal{O}_X \rangle$
 universal enveloping algebra

Monodromic D-modules: (source of examples of tdes)

Let H be a torus, $\pi: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ a principal H -bundle.

A monodromic D-module on X is an H -equivariant D_X -module.

Let $\tilde{D} = (\pi_* D_{\tilde{X}})^H$. Then we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Monodromic} \\ \text{D-modules} \end{array} \right\} \simeq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{D}\text{-modules} \\ \text{on } X \end{array} \right\}$$

We have $\tilde{D} = U(\tilde{T})$ where

$$\tilde{T} = (\pi_* \tilde{T}_{\tilde{X}})^H \quad (\text{Lie algebroid})$$

Have extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{h} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \tilde{T} \rightarrow T_X \rightarrow 0$$

fibers directions $\mathfrak{h} = \text{Lie}(H)$
 with \mathfrak{h} central

$\Rightarrow \tilde{D}$ is an algebra over $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{h})$

Easy fact: For $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$, $D^\lambda := \tilde{D} \otimes_{S(\mathbb{C}^2)} \mathbb{C}_\lambda$ is a tdo.

E.g. $X = \mathbb{P}^1$, $\tilde{X} = \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$, $H = \mathbb{G}_m$.

Monochromatic D-modules on \mathbb{P}^1 = Graded $\mathbb{C}[x, y, \partial_x, \partial_y]$ -modules

modules supported at $x=y=0$

Use $\text{QCoh}(\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}) = \underline{\text{QCoh}(\mathbb{C}^2)}$

modules supported at $x=y=0$

$S(\mathbb{C}^2) = \mathbb{C}[\tilde{h}]$ acts by $\tilde{h} = x\partial_x + y\partial_y$.

Cheats: $U = \{y \neq 0\} = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[z]$

$V = \{x \neq 0\} = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[w]$
 $z = \frac{x}{y}$
 $w = \frac{y}{x}$

$\Gamma(U, \tilde{D}) = \text{Deg } 0 \text{ part of } \mathbb{C}[x, y, y^{-1}, \partial_x, \partial_y]$
 $= \mathbb{C}\langle z = \frac{x}{y}, \tilde{h} = x\partial_x + y\partial_y, y\partial_x \rangle$

$[\tilde{h}, z] = 0$, $[y\partial_x, z] = 1$

$[\tilde{h}, y\partial_x] = 0$

$\cong \mathbb{C}[z, \tilde{h}, \partial_z]$, $\partial_z = y\partial_x$.

$$\Gamma(v, \tilde{B}) = \mathbb{C} \left\langle w = \frac{1}{x}, \tilde{h} = x\partial_x + y\partial_y, x\partial_y \right\rangle$$

$$[\tilde{h}, w] = 0, [\tilde{h}, x\partial_y] = 0$$

$$[x\partial_y, w] = 1$$

Change of coordinates:
 $w \mapsto z^{-1}$

$$\partial_w \mapsto x\partial_y = \frac{x}{y} (y\partial_y + x\partial_x) - \frac{x^2}{y^2} y\partial_x$$

$$= \tilde{h}z - z^2\partial_z.$$

\mathcal{D}^λ : set $\tilde{h} = \lambda$ in above.

§ 2: Monodromic D-modules on flag varieties

Let G be a semisimple alg grp / \mathbb{C}

$B = B^-$ Borel subgroup (negative roots)

N^- unipotent radical of B^-

$H = B^- / N^-$ Cartan subgroup (\cong max torus)

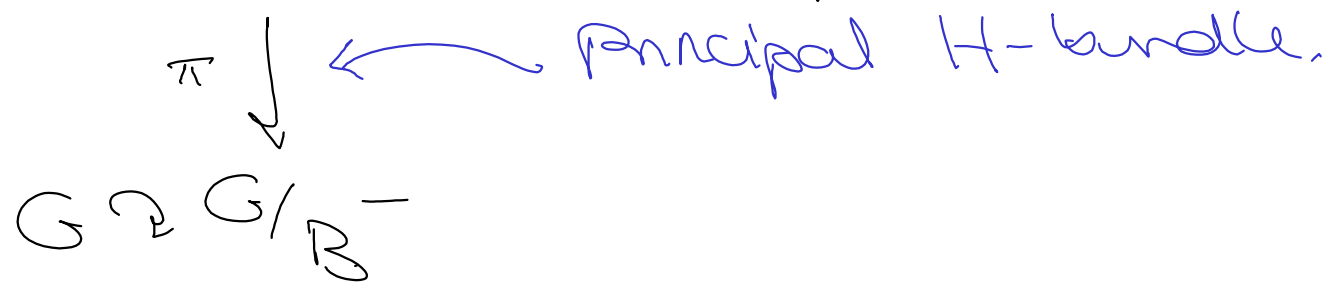
G/B^- flag variety

Have commuting actions

$$G \curvearrowright G/N \curvearrowright H$$

$$g \cdot (xN^-) = gxN^-$$

$$h \cdot (xN^-) = xhN^-$$



\Rightarrow Monodromic \mathbb{D} -modules setup applies.

Get $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ sheaf of assoc. algebras on G/B with $S(\mathfrak{h}) \subseteq \text{centre}$, and

$$\mathbb{D}^\lambda = \tilde{\mathbb{D}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})} \mathbb{C}_\lambda.$$

The $G \times H$ -action gives a homeomorphism $U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes S(\mathfrak{h}) \rightarrow \Gamma(G/B, \tilde{\mathbb{D}}) = \Gamma(G/N, \mathbb{D}_{G/N})^H$

Fact: This factors through an isomorphism

$$U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} S(\mathfrak{h}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(G/B, \tilde{\mathbb{D}})$$

where $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}(U(\mathfrak{g})) \cong S(\mathfrak{h})^W$ \leftarrow $w \cdot \lambda$
 $= w(\lambda + \rho) - \rho$
 $\text{on } \mathfrak{h}^*$.

Harish-Chandra iso defined so that $S(\mathfrak{h})$ and \mathbb{Z} actions on highest weight vectors agree

Example: $G = SL_2$. $B = B^- = \begin{pmatrix} * & 0 \\ * & * \end{pmatrix}$.

$G/N^- \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ $N^- = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ * & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} N^- \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} b \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

$\mathcal{D}^2 = \mathbb{C}[x, y, \partial_x, \partial_y]$
as in previous example

σ_j -action?

$e = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

So (right) action on functions is $e \cdot x = y$
 $e \cdot y = 0$

This is $[0, -y\partial_x]$

\rightsquigarrow map e to $-y\partial_x$

Similarly, $f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto -x\partial_y$

$h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto y\partial_y - x\partial_x$

For H -action, similar calculation gives

$\tilde{h} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{h} \mapsto x\partial_x + y\partial_y$

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distinguish
from $h \in \mathfrak{g}$

\mathcal{L} is generated by the Casimir
 $ef + fe + \frac{1}{2}h^2$

Check that

$$\begin{aligned} e\hbar + 2\hbar e + \hbar^2 &= y\partial_x x\partial_y + x\partial_y y\partial_x \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(y\partial_y - x\partial_x)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(x\partial_x + y\partial_y)^2 + (x\partial_x + y\partial_y) \\ &= \tilde{\hbar}^2 + \frac{\tilde{\hbar}}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\tilde{\hbar}(\tilde{\hbar} + 2) \end{aligned}$$

\uparrow
w. -action sends
 $\tilde{\hbar}$ to $-\tilde{\hbar} - 2$.

Summary: We have:

- $\tilde{\mathcal{D}}$ sheaf of $\mathcal{S}(\hbar)$ -algs on G/B^-
- $\mathcal{D}^\lambda = \tilde{\mathcal{D}} \otimes_{\mathcal{S}(\hbar)} \mathbb{C}_\lambda$ twisted diff ops

$$\Gamma(\tilde{\mathcal{D}}) = U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{S}(\hbar)$$

$$\Gamma(\mathcal{D}^\lambda) = U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}_\lambda = U^\lambda(\mathfrak{g})$$

Beilinson-Bernstein:

Assume $\langle \lambda, \alpha^\vee \rangle \notin \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}$ for α positive root.

Then

$\Gamma: \mathcal{D}^\lambda\text{-mod} \rightarrow U^\lambda(\mathfrak{g})\text{-mod}$
is an equivalence.

Rest of talk: Your favourite $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -mod
as a D^X -module.

Main examples:

Rec me:
defined to be
 N^+ -integrable.

Verma modules $M(\lambda)$ (and $M(w \cdot \lambda)$)

Dual Vermas $M^*(\lambda)$ (and $M^*(w \cdot \lambda)$)

Irreducible modules $L(\lambda)$ (and $L(w \cdot \lambda)$)

Eg. $G = SL_2$:

$$M(\lambda) = \frac{U^{\lambda}(\mathfrak{g})}{U^{\lambda}(\mathfrak{g})\text{-span}\{e, h - \lambda\}}$$

Must map to

$$\frac{D^X}{D^X\text{-span}\{e, h - \lambda\}} =: M$$

On charts: $z = \frac{x}{y}$, $e = -\partial_z$

$$h = \lambda - 2z\partial_z$$

$$f = z^2\partial_z - \lambda z$$

\leadsto D -mod is \mathcal{O}
with $\partial_z(1) = 0$

$$w = \frac{y}{x}, \quad e = w^2\partial_w - \lambda w$$

\leadsto D -mod is $\frac{D}{D(w\partial_w - \lambda)}$

$$f = -\partial_w$$

$$h = 2w\partial_w - \lambda$$

$$M(w, \lambda) = M(-\lambda - 2) ?$$

D^λ

D^λ -span $\{e, h + \lambda + 2\}$

On charts : z chart. Kill ∂_z and

\Rightarrow module is ~~zero~~ $2\lambda + 2$ since $\lambda \neq -1$.

w chart.

Kill $w^2 \partial_w - \lambda w$ and $w \partial_w + 1$

\Leftrightarrow Kill w . generator

\sim D -module is $\frac{\mathbb{C}[w, \partial_w]}{\mathbb{C}[w, \partial_w]w} \cong \mathbb{C}[\partial_w]$
(supported at 0)

Dual Verma:

Apply "Verdier" duality to D -mod for $M(w, \lambda)$
for $M(-\lambda - 2)$: no change

For $M(\lambda)$: $j_* \mathcal{O}$, $j: (z \text{ chart}) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$
i.e. functions with poles at $z = \infty$

D -action in w chart is $\partial_w f = f'(w) + \frac{\lambda}{w} f(w)$.

(Note: This is only correct Verdier dual if $\lambda \notin \mathbb{Z} \leq 0$.)

Irreducible: There's a map

$$\Gamma(\lambda) \rightarrow \Gamma^*(\lambda) \text{ sending } 1 \text{ to } 1.$$

$$L(\lambda) = \text{image}.$$

In general:

$$\text{Here } \overset{\circ}{X}_w = N^+ w B^- / B^- \xrightarrow{j_w} G/B^-$$

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H-bundle has unique N^+ -equivariant
trivialisation here

$$\Rightarrow D^\lambda\text{-mods on } \overset{\circ}{X}_w \simeq D\text{-mods on } \overset{\circ}{X}_w$$

$$\Gamma(w, \lambda) \simeq j_w! \left(\mathcal{O}_{\overset{\circ}{X}_w} \right) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{unique } N^+\text{-invariant} \\ \text{flat connection} \end{array}$$

$$\Gamma^*(w, \lambda) \simeq j_w^* \left(\mathcal{O}_{\overset{\circ}{X}_w} \right)$$

$$L(\lambda) \simeq m \left(j_w! \left(\mathcal{O}_{\overset{\circ}{X}_w} \right) \rightarrow j_w^* \left(\mathcal{O}_{\overset{\circ}{X}_w} \right) \right)$$