

# First extension groups of Verma modules and $R$ -polynomials

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**Abstract.** We study the first extension groups between Verma modules. There was a conjecture which claims that the dimensions of the higher extension groups between Verma modules are the coefficients of  $R$ -polynomials defined by Kazhdan-Lusztig. This conjecture was known as the Gabber-Joseph conjecture (although Gabber and Joseph did not state.) However, Boe gives a counterexample to this conjecture. In this paper, we study how far are the dimensions of extension groups from the coefficients of  $R$ -polynomials.

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## 1. Introduction

The category  $\mathcal{O}$  is introduced by Bernstein-Gelfand-Gelfand and plays an important role in the representation theory. One of the most important objects in  $\mathcal{O}$  are the Verma modules and they are deeply investigated.

In this paper, we consider the  $\text{Ext}^i$ -groups between Verma modules. If  $i = 0$ , Verma [Ver68] and Bernstein-Gelfand-Gelfand [BGG71] determine the dimension of this group. There are many studies about higher extension groups. One of these studies is a work of Gabber-Joseph. They proved some inequality between the dimensions of extension groups. After that, it is conjectured that this inequality is, in fact, an equality. Although not actually stated in [GJ81], this conjecture is known as the Gabber-Joseph conjecture. If this conjecture is true, then the dimension of extension groups are the coefficients of  $R$ -polynomial. However, Boe gives a counterexample to this conjecture [Boe92].

This conjecture is false even in the case of  $i = 1$ . In this paper, we consider how far the dimensions of extension groups from the coefficients of  $R$ -polynomials. Mazorchuk gives a formula of the dimension of the first extension group between Verma modules in a special case [Maz07, Theorem 32]. Our formula is a generalization of his formula.

Now we state our main theorem. Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a semisimple Lie algebra over an algebraic closed field  $K$  of characteristic zero. Fix its Borel subalgebra  $\mathfrak{b}$  and

a Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$ . Let  $\Delta$  be the root system and  $\rho$  the half sum of positive roots. Fix a dominant integral element  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ . (It is sufficient to consider the integral case by a result of Soergel [Soe90, Theorem 11].) Let  $M(x\lambda)$  be the Verma module with highest weight  $x\lambda - \rho$  for  $x \in W$ . Then by a result of Verma [Ver68] and Bernstein-Gelfand-Gelfand [BGG71], if  $x \geq y$ , then there exists the unique (up to nonzero constant multiple) injective homomorphism  $M(x\lambda) \rightarrow M(y\lambda)$ . Hence we can regard  $M(x\lambda)$  as a submodule of  $M(\lambda)$ . Then  $M(w_0\lambda)$  is a submodule of  $M(x\lambda)$  for all  $x \in W$  where  $w_0$  is the longest Weyl element. Hence we have the homomorphism  $\text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0\lambda), M(\lambda))$ . Let  $V_\lambda(x, y)$  be the image of this homomorphism. We denote the unit element of  $W$  by  $e$ . Put  $S_\lambda = \{s \in S \mid s(\lambda) = \lambda\}$ . For integral  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ , let  $T_\lambda^\mu$  be the translation functor from  $\lambda$  to  $\mu$ .

**Theorem 1.1** (Proposition 3.14, Theorem 4.3, Theorem 5.1). *Let  $\lambda$  be a dominant integral element.*

- (1) *If  $\lambda$  is regular, then  $V_\lambda(w_0, e)$  has a structure of  $W$ -module and it is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{h}^*$ . For  $s \in S$ , we denote the element in  $V_\lambda(w_0, e)$  corresponding to the simple root whose reflection is  $s$  by  $v_s \in V_\lambda(w_0, e)$ .*
- (2) *Assume that  $\lambda$  is regular. For  $x, y \in W$  and  $s \in S$  such that  $xs > x$ , we have the following formula.*
  - (a) *If  $ys < y$ , then  $V_\lambda(xs, y) = s(V_\lambda(x, ys))$ .*
  - (b) *If  $ys > y$ , then  $V_\lambda(xs, y) = Kv_s + s(V_\lambda(x, y))$ .*
- (3) *For general  $\lambda$ , the translation functor  $T_\rho^\lambda$  induces a linear map  $V_\rho(w_0, e) \rightarrow V_\lambda(w_0, e)$ . The kernel of this linear map is  $\sum_{s \in S_\lambda} Kv_s$  and  $T_\rho^\lambda(V_\rho(x, y)) = V_\lambda(x, y)$ .*

Notice that if  $\lambda$  is regular and  $x \not\geq y$ , then  $\text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) = 0$ . Hence  $V_\lambda(x, y) = 0$ . Since  $V_\lambda(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in W$ , we can determine the space  $V_\lambda(x, y)$  inductively via (2) if  $\lambda$  is regular. Combining (3), we can determine the space  $V_\lambda(x, y)$ . In particular, we can calculate the dimension of  $V_\lambda(x, y)$ . Namely, we can get the following theorem. For  $x, y \in W$ , let  $R_{x,y}$  be the polynomial defined in [KL79, §2.]. Let  $\ell(x)$  be the length of  $x \in W$ .

**Theorem 1.2** (Theorem 4.4). *Assume that  $\lambda$  is regular. Then  $\dim V_\lambda(x, y)$  is the coefficient of  $q$  in  $(-1)^{\ell(y) - \ell(x) - 1} R_{y,x}(q)$ .*

In other words,  $V_\lambda(x, y)$  satisfies the Gabber-Joseph conjecture. Notice that the homomorphism  $\text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0\lambda), M(\lambda))$  is not injective. It is easy to see that the kernel is isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda)/M(y\lambda))$  if  $x \geq y$  (Lemma 2.1).

We summarize the contents of this paper. In Section 2, we gather preliminaries and prove some easy facts. In Section 3, we define a  $W$ -module structure on  $\text{Ext}^1(M(w_0\lambda), M(\lambda))$  for a dominant integral regular  $\lambda$ . We also prove this

module is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{h}^*$ . The proof of the main theorem in the regular case is done in Section 4. We finish the proof of the main theorem in Section 5.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a semisimple Lie algebra over an algebraic closed field  $K$  of characteristic zero. Fix a Borel subalgebra  $\mathfrak{b}$  and a Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{b}$ . These determine the BGG category  $\mathcal{O}$  [BGG76]. We denote  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}$  (resp.  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}}^i$ ) by  $\text{Hom}$  (resp.  $\text{Ext}^i$ ). Denote the Weyl group of  $\mathfrak{g}$  by  $W$  and let  $S$  be the set of its simple reflections. For  $w \in W$ , let  $\ell(w)$  be its length. For  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ , let  $\mathcal{O}_\lambda$  be the full-subcategory of  $\mathcal{O}$  consisting of objects which have a generalized infinitesimal character  $\lambda$ .

In the rest of this paper, we only consider the objects which has a integral generalized infinitesimal character. By [Soe90, Theorem 11], it is sufficient to consider only the integral case.

For  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ , let  $M(\lambda)$  be the Verma module with highest weight  $\lambda - \rho$  where  $\rho$  is the half sum of positive roots. Assume that  $\lambda$  is dominant integral. Set  $S_\lambda = S \cap \text{Stab}_W \lambda$ . Then  $W_{S_\lambda} = \text{Stab}_W \lambda$  is generated by  $S_\lambda$ . Put  $W(S_\lambda) = \{w \in W \mid ws > w \text{ for all } s \in S_\lambda\}$ . This gives a complete representative set of  $W/W_{S_\lambda}$ . For  $x, y \in W(S_\lambda)$ ,  $\text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) \neq 0$  if and only if  $x \geq y$ . Moreover, if  $x \geq y$ , then  $\text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda))$  is one-dimensional and the nonzero homomorphisms from  $M(x\lambda)$  to  $M(y\lambda)$  are injective. Hence we can regard  $M(x\lambda)$  as a submodule of  $M(y\lambda)$ . In the rest of this paper, we regard  $M(x\lambda)$  as a submodule of  $M(\lambda)$ . Then  $M(w_0\lambda)$  is a submodule of  $M(x\lambda)$  for all  $x \in W$ .

Let  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be integral dominant elements. Then the translation functor  $T_\lambda^\mu: \mathcal{O}_\lambda \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_\mu$  is defined [Jan79].

Assume that  $\lambda$  is a regular integral dominant element. Then for  $s \in S$ , the wall-crossing functor  $\theta_s^\lambda$  is defined by  $\theta_s^\lambda = T_\mu^\lambda T_\lambda^\mu$  where  $\text{Stab}_W \mu = \{e, s\}$ . It is known that this functor is independent of  $\mu$ . By the definition of  $\theta_s^\lambda$ , there are natural transformations  $\text{Id} \rightarrow \theta_s^\lambda$  and  $\theta_s^\lambda \rightarrow \text{Id}$ . Put  $C_s^\lambda = \text{Cok}(\text{Id} \rightarrow \theta_s^\lambda)$  and  $K_s^\lambda = \text{Ker}(\theta_s^\lambda \rightarrow \text{Id})$ . Then  $C_s^\lambda$  (resp.  $K_s^\lambda$ ) gives a right (resp. left) exact functor from  $\mathcal{O}_\lambda$  to  $\mathcal{O}_\lambda$ . By the self-adjointness of  $\theta_s^\lambda$ ,  $(C_s^\lambda, K_s^\lambda)$  is an adjoint pair. Moreover, the derived functor  $LC_s$  gives an auto-equivalence of the derived category  $D^b(\mathcal{O}_\lambda)$  and its quasi-inverse is  $RK_s$ . For the action of  $C_s, K_s$  on Verma modules, the following formulas hold: Let  $x \in W$  and  $s \in S$  such that  $xs > x$ . Then  $C_s(M(x)) = M(xs)$ ,  $K_s(M(xs)) = M(x)$  and there exists an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M(x)/M(xs) \rightarrow C_s(M(xs)) \rightarrow M(xs) \rightarrow 0$ . Moreover, we have  $L^k C_s(M(x)) = L^k C_s(M(xs)) = R^k K_s(M(xs)) = 0$  for all  $k \geq 1$ .

Let  $\lambda$  be the dominant integral element of  $\mathfrak{h}^*$ . Set

$$V_\lambda(x, y) = \text{Im}(\text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0\lambda), M(\lambda)))$$

for  $x, y \in W$ . Put

$$V_\lambda = V_\lambda(w_0, e).$$

(1) of the following lemma is a part of the argument of the proof of [Maz07, Lemma 33]. (2) and (3) follows from (1).

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\lambda$  be a dominant integral element.*

(1) *Let  $P$  be the projective cover of  $M(w_0\lambda)$ . Let  $M_i \subset P$  be the filtration such that  $M_i/M_{i-1} \simeq \bigoplus_{\ell(w)=i, w \in W(S_\lambda)} M(w\lambda)$ . Then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda)) &\xleftarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), P/M_0) \\ &\xleftarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M_1/M_0) \simeq \bigoplus_{s \in S \setminus S_\lambda} \text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(s\lambda)). \end{aligned}$$

(2) *We have  $\dim V_\lambda = \#(S \setminus S_\lambda)$ .*

(3) *For  $x, y \in W$  such that  $x \geq y$ , the kernel of  $\text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0\lambda), M(\lambda))$  is isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda)/M(y\lambda))$ .*

**Proof.** (1) follows from the proof of [Maz07, Lemma 33]. (2) follows from (1). We prove (3). We have the long exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda)) \\ \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda)/M(y\lambda)) &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda)) \end{aligned}$$

The morphism  $\text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(y\lambda)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda))$  is isomorphic by the classification of homomorphism between Verma modules.

Hence it suffices to prove that  $\text{Ext}^1(M(x\lambda), M(\lambda)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0\lambda), M(\lambda))$  is injective. This follows from (1). ■

### 3. Weyl group action

In this section, fix a dominant regular integral element  $\lambda$ . Put  $V = V_\lambda$ ,  $V(x, y) = V_\lambda(x, y)$ ,  $\theta_s = \theta_s^\lambda$ ,  $C_s = C_s^\lambda$  and  $M(x) = M(x\lambda)$ . Since  $M(x) \rightarrow \theta_s(M(x)) \rightarrow M(x)$  is zero, we have  $C_s(M(x)) \rightarrow M(x)$ .

We begin with the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** *For  $M_1, M_2, N_1, N_2$ , take  $a_i \in \text{Ext}^1(M_i, N_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Take an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow N_i \xrightarrow{k_i} X_i \xrightarrow{p_i} M_i \rightarrow 0$  corresponding to  $a_i$ . Then for  $f: N_1 \rightarrow N_2$  and  $g: M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ , there exists  $\varphi$  such that the following diagram commutes if and only if  $f_*a_1 = g^*a_2$ :*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & N_1 & \longrightarrow & X_1 & \longrightarrow & M_1 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow \varphi & & \downarrow g \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & X_2 & \longrightarrow & M_2 \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

**Proof.** First assume that there exists  $\varphi$ . Consider the following digram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & N_1 & \longrightarrow & X_1 & \longrightarrow & M_1 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & M_1 \longrightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

where the left square is a push-forward. Then the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow N_2 \rightarrow X' \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow 0$  corresponds to  $f_*a_1$  and the existence of  $\varphi$  implies the existence of  $\varphi'$  such that the following digram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & M_1 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow \varphi' & & \downarrow g \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & X_2 & \longrightarrow & M_2 \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

The same argument implies the existence of the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & X' & \longrightarrow & M_1 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow \varphi'' & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & N_2 & \longrightarrow & X'' & \longrightarrow & M_1 \longrightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

where  $0 \rightarrow N_2 \rightarrow X'' \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow 0$  corresponds to  $g^*a_2$ . The morphism  $\varphi''$  should be isomorphism by 5-Lemma. Hence we have  $f_*a_1 = g^*a_2$ .

Conversely, we assume that  $f_*a_1 = g^*a_2$ . Consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Hom}(M_1, N_2) & \xrightarrow{k_{2*}} & \text{Hom}(M_1, X_2) & \xrightarrow{p_{2*}} & \text{Hom}(M_1, M_2) & \xrightarrow{\delta_2} & \text{Ext}^1(M_1, N_2) \\ \downarrow p_1^* & & \downarrow p_1^* & & \downarrow p_1^* & & \downarrow p_1^* \\ \text{Hom}(X_1, N_2) & \xrightarrow{k_{2*}} & \text{Hom}(X_1, X_2) & \xrightarrow{p_{2*}} & \text{Hom}(X_1, M_2) & \xrightarrow{\delta_1} & \text{Ext}^1(X_1, N_2) \\ \downarrow k_2^* & & \downarrow k_2^* & & \downarrow k_2^* & & \\ \text{Hom}(N_1, N_2) & \xrightarrow{k_{2*}} & \text{Hom}(N_1, X_2) & \xrightarrow{p_{2*}} & \text{Hom}(N_1, M_2) & & \\ \downarrow \delta_1 & & \downarrow \delta_1 & & & & \\ \text{Ext}^1(M_1, N_2) & \xrightarrow{k_{2*}} & \text{Ext}^1(M_1, X_2) & & & & \end{array}$$

Recall that  $f \in \text{Hom}(N_1, N_2)$  and  $g \in \text{Hom}(M_1, M_2)$ . The assumption implies  $\delta_1(f) = \delta_2(g)$ . Hence  $\delta_1 k_{2*}(f) = k_{2*} \delta_1(f) = k_{2*} \delta_2(g) = 0$ . Hence there exists an element  $\varphi' \in \text{Hom}(X_1, X_2)$  such that  $k_2^*(\varphi') = k_{2*}(f)$ . Since  $k_2^* p_{2*}(\varphi') = p_{2*} k_2^*(\varphi') = p_{2*} k_{2*}(f) = 0$ , there exists  $g' \in \text{Hom}(M_1, M_2)$  such that  $p_1^*(g') = p_{2*}(\varphi')$ . Then  $p_{2*}(\varphi') = p_1^*(g')$  and  $p_1^*(\varphi') = k_{2*}(f)$ . From the argument in the first part of this proof, we get  $f_*a_1 = (g')^*a_2$ , namely, we get  $\delta_2(g') = \delta_1(f) = \delta_2(g)$ . Hence there exists  $r \in \text{Hom}(M_1, X_2)$  such that  $p_{2*}(r) = g - g'$ . Set  $\varphi = \varphi' + p_1^*(r)$ . Then  $p_{2*}(\varphi) = p_1^*(g)$  and  $p_1^*(\varphi) = k_{2*}(f)$ . This proves the lemma. ■

The following lemma is well-known. We give a proof for the sake of completeness.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $x \in W$  and  $s \in S$  such that  $x < xs$ .*

- (1) *We have  $\dim \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x)) = 1$ . The basis is given by the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M(x) \rightarrow \theta_s(M(x)) \rightarrow M(xs) \rightarrow 0$ .*
- (2) *The homomorphism  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e))$  is injective and its image is independent of  $x$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\mu$  be the integral dominant element such that  $\text{Stab}_W(\mu) = \{e, s\}$ . Then  $\theta_s = T_\mu^\lambda T_\lambda^\mu$ .

(1) We have

$$\text{Ext}^i(M(xs), \theta_s(M(x))) = \text{Ext}^i(T_\lambda^\mu(M(xs)), T_\lambda^\mu(M(x))) = \text{Ext}^i(M(x\mu), M(x\mu))$$

It is one-dimensional if  $i = 0$  and zero if  $i > 0$ . Hence from the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M(x) \rightarrow \theta_s(M(x)) \rightarrow M(xs) \rightarrow 0,$$

we have an exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(xs), M(x)) &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(xs), \theta_s(M(x))) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(xs), M(xs)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x)) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

By the dimension counting,  $\text{Hom}(M(xs), M(x)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(xs), \theta_s(M(x)))$  is isomorphic. Hence  $\text{Hom}(M(xs), M(xs)) \simeq \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x))$ . The left hand side is one-dimensional.

(2) First we prove that  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e))$  is injective. The kernel of the homomorphism is  $\text{Hom}(M(xs), M(e)/M(x))$  by Lemma 2.1 (3). We have an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M(e) \rightarrow \theta_s(M(e)) \rightarrow M(s) \rightarrow 0$  and  $0 \rightarrow M(x) \rightarrow \theta_s(M(x)) \rightarrow M(xs) \rightarrow 0$ . Since  $M(xs) \rightarrow M(s)$  is injective, we have that  $M(e)/M(x) \rightarrow \theta_s(M(e)/M(x))$  is injective by the snake lemma. Hence it is sufficient to prove that  $\text{Hom}(M(xs), \theta_s(M(e)/M(x))) = 0$ . We prove  $\text{Hom}(M(x\mu), M(\mu)/M(x\mu)) = 0$ . This follows from the following exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(x\mu), M(x\mu)) &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(x\mu), M(\mu)) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(x\mu), M(\mu)/M(x\mu)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(x\mu), M(x\mu)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

We prove the independence of  $x$ . We have the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M(xs) & \longrightarrow & M(x) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ M(s) & \longrightarrow & M(e). \end{array}$$

Hence we get the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & M(x) & \longrightarrow & \theta_s(M(x)) & \longrightarrow & M(xs) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & M(e) & \longrightarrow & \theta_s(M(e)) & \longrightarrow & M(s) \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

Therefore the image of

$$\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(e))$$

and

$$\text{Ext}^1(M(s), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(e))$$

coincide with each other by Lemma 3.1. Therefore, we get (2) ■

Take a basis  $v_s$  of  $V(xs, x)$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** *The set  $\{v_s \mid s \in S\}$  is a basis of  $V$ .*

**Proof.** By Lemma 2.1 (1), we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ext}^1(M(s), M(e)) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \bigoplus_{s' \in S} \text{Hom}(M(s), M(s')) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e)) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \bigoplus_{s' \in S} \text{Hom}(M(w_0), M(s')). \end{array}$$

We get the lemma. ■

We need the following lemma to define the action of  $s \in S$  on  $V$ .

**Lemma 3.4.** *The linear map  $\text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(C_s(M(w_0)), M(e))$  is an isomorphism.*

**Proof.** By an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M(w_0s)/M(w_0) \rightarrow C_s(M(w_0)) \rightarrow M(w_0) \rightarrow 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}(M(w_0s)/M(w_0), M(e)) &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e)) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(C_s(M(w_0)), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0s)/M(w_0), M(e)) \end{aligned}$$

It is sufficient to prove that  $\text{Ext}^i(M(w_0s)/M(w_0), M(e)) = 0$  for  $i = 0, 1$ . We have the following exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(w_0s)/M(w_0), M(e)) &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(w_0s), M(e)) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(w_0), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0s)/M(w_0), M(e)) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0s), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e)). \end{aligned}$$

The homomorphism  $\text{Hom}(M(w_0s), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(w_0), M(e))$  is an isomorphism. The kernel of  $\text{Ext}^1(M(w_0s), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e))$  is isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}(M(w_0s), M(e))/M(e) = 0$  by Lemma 2.1 (3). We get the lemma. ■

Using this lemma, we consider the following homomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned} V = \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e)) &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(LC_s(M(w_0)), LC_s(M(e))) \\ &\simeq \text{Ext}^1(C_s(M(w_0)), M(s)) \\ &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(C_s(M(w_0)), M(e)) \\ &\simeq \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e)) = V. \end{aligned}$$

Define an action of  $s$  on  $V$  by the above homomorphism. In other words, for  $v_i \in V$  and the corresponding exact sequences  $0 \rightarrow M(e) \rightarrow X_i \rightarrow M(w_0) \rightarrow 0$ , we have  $s(v_1) = v_2$  if and only if there exists the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & C_s(M(e)) & \longrightarrow & C_s(X_1) & \longrightarrow & C_s(M(w_0)) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & M(e) & \longrightarrow & X_2 & \longrightarrow & M(w_0) \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

Here,  $C_s(M(e)) \rightarrow M(e)$  and  $C_s(M(w_0)) \rightarrow M(w_0)$  are canonical homomorphisms.

The aim of this section is to show that this gives a structure of a  $W$ -module. Since  $\{C_s\}$  satisfies the braid relations [MS05, Lemma 5.10], this action satisfies the braid relations.

Take an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow M(e) \rightarrow X \rightarrow M(w_0) \rightarrow 0$  and consider the following digram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & M(e) & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & M(w_0) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \theta_s M(e) & \longrightarrow & \theta_s X & \longrightarrow & \theta_s M(w_0) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & M(e) & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & M(w_0) & \longrightarrow & 0,
 \end{array}$$

here the vertical maps are natural transformations. The compositions of left and right vertical morphisms are zero. Hence composition of the middle vertical morphisms factors through  $X \rightarrow M(w_0)$  and  $M(e) \rightarrow X$ . By this way, we get an element of  $\text{Hom}(M(w_0), M(e))$ . This gives a morphism

$$\alpha_s : V = \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(M(w_0), M(e)).$$

Since we fix an inclusion  $M(w_0) \hookrightarrow M(e)$ , we regard  $\alpha_s(v) \in K$  for  $v \in V$ . So we get  $\alpha_s \in V^*$ .

**Lemma 3.5.** *If  $v \in \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e))$  satisfies  $\alpha_s(v) = 0$ , then  $s(v) = v$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $0 \rightarrow M(e) \rightarrow X \rightarrow M(w_0) \rightarrow 0$  be the corresponding exact sequence. The assumption means that  $X \rightarrow \theta_s(X) \rightarrow X$  is zero. Hence  $\theta_s(X) \rightarrow X$  factors through  $\theta_s(X) \rightarrow C_s(X)$ . Namely, we get the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & C_s(M(e)) & \longrightarrow & C_s(X) & \longrightarrow & C_s(M(w_0)) & \longrightarrow & 0, \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & M(e) & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & M(w_0) & \longrightarrow & 0.
 \end{array}$$

This means that  $s(v) = v$ . ■

**Lemma 3.6.** *We have  $\alpha_s(v_s) = 2$  and  $s(v_s) = -v_s$ .*

**Proof.** We consider  $v_s$  as an element of  $V(w_0, w_0s)$ . So we consider all things in  $\{M \in \mathcal{O}_\lambda \mid [M : L(x)] = 0 \text{ for } x \neq w_0, w_0s\}$ . This category is equivalent to the regular integral block of the BGG category of  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2(K)$ . So we may assume that  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{sl}_2(K)$ .

Set  $P_0 = M(e)$ ,  $P_1 = \theta_s(M(e))$ . Then  $P_0 \oplus P_1$  is a projective generator of  $\mathcal{O}_\lambda$ . Set  $A = \text{End}(P_0 \oplus P_1)$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}_\lambda$  is equivalent to the category of finitely generated right  $A$ -modules.

We have that  $\dim \text{Hom}(P_0, P_0) = \dim \text{Hom}(P_0, P_1) = \dim \text{Hom}(P_1, P_0) = 1$ ,  $\dim \text{Hom}(P_1, P_1) = 2$ . Let  $f: P_0 \rightarrow P_1$  and  $g: P_1 \rightarrow P_0$  be the natural transformations. Then  $\text{Hom}(P_0, P_1) = Kf$ ,  $\text{Hom}(P_1, P_0) = Kg$  and  $\text{Hom}(P_1, P_1) = \text{Kid} + Kfg$ . Moreover,  $gf = 0$ . Set  $e_i: P \rightarrow P_i$  be the projection. Then  $A = Ke_0 + Ke_1 + Kf + Kg + Kfg$ , here  $f$  stands for  $P_0 \oplus P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \xrightarrow{f} P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \oplus P_1$ . ( $g$  and  $fg$  are similar.)

First, we calculate  $\alpha_s(v_s)$ . To calculate it, we consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & P_0 & \xrightarrow{i} & P_1 & \xrightarrow{p} & P_1/P_0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow a & & \downarrow b & & \downarrow c & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & P_1 & \xrightarrow{j} & P_1^{\oplus 2} & \xrightarrow{q} & P_1 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow s & & \downarrow t & & \downarrow u & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & P_0 & \xrightarrow{i} & P_1 & \xrightarrow{p} & P_1/P_0 & \longrightarrow & 0,
 \end{array}$$

here  $j$  is an inclusion  $x \mapsto (x, 0)$  and  $q$  is second projection. Notice that we used  $\theta_s(P_0) = \theta_s(P_1/P_0) = P_1$  and the second exact sequence splits.

We regard  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  as right  $A$ -modules. Then  $P_0 = Ke_0 + Kg$ ,  $P_1 = Ke_1 + Kf + Kfg$ . We regard  $P_0$  as a submodule of  $P_1$ , namely,  $P_0 = Kf + Kfg$ . We fix a inclusion  $M(w_0) = P_1/P_0 \rightarrow M(e) = P_0$  by  $[e_1] \mapsto fg$ , here  $[e_1]$  is an image of  $e_1$ . Set  $h = fg$ . Since  $\text{End}(P_0) = \text{Kid} + Kh$ ,  $b$  is given by  $b = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1h, \alpha_2 + \beta_2h)$  for some  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2 \in K$ . Since  $a$  and  $i$  are both natural transformation. So  $a = i = f$ . By  $bi = ja$ , we have  $\alpha_1 = 1$ . Since  $c$  is given by  $[e_1] \mapsto fg$ , we get  $\alpha_2 = 0$  and  $\beta_2 = 1$  by  $cp = qb$ . So we have  $b = (1 + \beta_1h, h)$ .

Next, we consider  $t$ . Define  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \delta_1, \delta_2 \in K$  by  $t = (\gamma_1 + \delta_1h, \gamma_2 + \delta_2h)$ . The morphism  $s$  is given by  $e_1 \mapsto fg$ ,  $f \mapsto 0$  and  $fg \mapsto 0$ . Hence  $tj = is$  implies that  $\gamma_1 = 0$  and  $\delta_1 = 1$ . Since  $uq = pt$ , we get  $\gamma_2 = 1$ . Therefore,  $t = (h, 1 + \delta_2h)$ . Hence the composition  $tb$  is given by  $2h$ . The image of  $e_1$  under  $P_1 \rightarrow \theta_s(P_1) \rightarrow P_1$  is  $2h$ . Since  $P_1/P_0$  is given by  $[e_1] \mapsto h$ , this means  $\alpha_s(v_s) = 2$ .

Set  $t' = (h, -1): \theta_s(P_1) \simeq P_1^{\oplus 2} \rightarrow P_1$ . Then we have  $t'b = 0$  and  $(-u)q = pt'$ . This means that there exists a following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & C_s(P_0) & \longrightarrow & C_s(P_1) & \longrightarrow & C_s(P_1/P_0) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow \tilde{s} & & \downarrow \tilde{t}' & & \downarrow \tilde{-u} & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & P_0 & \longrightarrow & P_1 & \longrightarrow & P_0/P_1 & \longrightarrow & 0.
 \end{array}$$

Here  $\tilde{s}$  (resp.  $\tilde{t}'$ ,  $\tilde{-u}$ ) is the morphism induced by  $s$  (resp.  $t'$ ,  $-u$ ). Hence we have  $s(v_s) = -v_s$ . ■

**Lemma 3.7.** For  $v \in V$ , we have  $s(v) = v - \alpha_s(v)v_s$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\alpha_s(v_s) \neq 0$ , we have  $V = Kv_s + \text{Ker } \alpha_s$ . So we may assume that  $v \in \text{Ker } \alpha_s$  or  $v = v_s$ . The first one is Lemma 3.5 and the second one is Lemma 3.6. ■

**Proposition 3.8.** *The action of  $s \in S$  on  $V$  defines a representation of  $W$ .*

**Proof.** We should prove  $s^2 = 1$ . This follows from Lemma 3.7 and Lemma 3.6. ■

In fact,  $V$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{h}^*$  as a  $W$ -module. We prove it in the rest of this section.

**Lemma 3.9.** *If  $xs > x$  and  $ys > y$ , then  $V(xs, ys) = s(V(x, y))$ .*

**Proof.** This follows from  $C_s(M(x)) \simeq M(xs)$  and  $C_s(M(y)) \simeq M(ys)$ . ■

**Lemma 3.10.** *Let  $m'_{s,s'}$  be an order of  $ss' \in \text{GL}(V)$ . Then there exists  $v'_s \in K^\times v_s$  such that  $s(v'_s) = v'_{s'} - 2 \cos(\pi/m'_{s,s'})v_s$  for all  $s, s' \in S$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $W$  is a finite group,  $V$  is defined over  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ . Hence we may assume  $K = \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ . Moreover, by the base change, we may assume that  $K = \mathbb{C}$ . Since  $W$  is a finite group,  $V$  has a  $W$ -invariant inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . Take  $v''_s \in \mathbb{C}v_s$  such that  $\langle v''_s, v''_s \rangle = 2$ . By Lemma 3.7,  $s(v^*) = v^* - v^*(v_s)\alpha_s$  for  $v^* \in V$ . Hence the kernel of  $s+1: V^* \rightarrow V^*$  is  $K\alpha_s$ . The linear map  $v \mapsto \langle v, v''_s \rangle$  belongs to  $\text{Ker}(s+1) = K\alpha_s$ . Since  $\langle v''_s, v''_s \rangle = \alpha_s(v_s)$ , we have  $s(v) = v - \langle v, v''_s \rangle v''_s$  by Lemma 3.7.

Put  $a_{s,s'} = \langle v''_s, v''_{s'} \rangle$ . Then we have  $a_{s,s'} = \overline{a_{s',s}}$ . By Lemma 3.7,  $Kv'_s + Kv'_{s'}$  is stable under the action of  $ss'$ . Its characteristic polynomial is

$$t^2 + (2 - |a_{s,s'}|^2)t + 1.$$

Let  $\alpha, \alpha^{-1}$  be its eigenvalue. Since  $(W, S)$  is a Weyl group,  $m'_{s,s'} \leq 6$ . Hence  $\alpha = e^{2\pi\sqrt{-1}/m'_{s,s'}}$  or  $\alpha = e^{-2\pi\sqrt{-1}/m'_{s,s'}}$ . We get

$$|a_{s,s'}|^2 = 2 + \alpha + \alpha^{-1} = 2 + 2 \cos 2\pi/m'_{s,s'} = (2 \cos(\pi/m'_{s,s'}))^2.$$

Hence we have  $a_{s,s'} = 2e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta_{s,s'}} \cos(\pi/m'_{s,s'})$  for some  $\theta_{s,s'} \in \mathbb{R}$ . Recall that the Coxeter graph of  $(W, S)$  is a tree. Hence we can choose  $v'_s \in e^{\sqrt{-1}\mathbb{R}}v''_s$  such that  $a_{s,s'} = 2 \cos(\pi/m'_{s,s'})$ . So we get the lemma. ■

**Lemma 3.11.** *For  $x, y \in W$  such that  $xs > x$ ,  $x \geq y$  and  $y < ys$ , let  $A$  (resp.  $B$ ) be the image of  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(ys)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(y))$  (resp.  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(y))$ ). Then  $A \cap B = 0$  if and only if  $x \not\geq ys$ .*

**Proof.** By Lemma 3.2,  $B$  is one-dimensional. If  $x \geq ys$ , then we have a homomorphism  $\text{Ext}^1(xs, x) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(xs, ys)$ . So  $B \subset A$ .

On the other hand, assume that  $A \cap B \neq 0$ . Let  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be a dominant integral element such that  $\text{Stab}_W(\mu) = \{e, s\}$ . Then  $T_\lambda^\mu$  induces an homomorphism  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(y)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs\mu), M(y\mu))$ . Since  $T_\lambda^\mu(M(xs)) = T_\lambda^\mu(M(x)) = M(x\mu)$ , the image of  $B$  under  $T_\lambda^\mu$  is zero. Hence the homomorphism

$$\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(ys)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs\mu), M(y\mu))$$

has a kernel. This homomorphism is equal to

$$\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(ys)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), \theta_s(M(y))).$$

From an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M(ys) \rightarrow \theta_s(M(y)) \rightarrow C_s(M(ys)) \rightarrow 0,$$

we have  $\text{Hom}(M(xs), C_s(M(ys))) \neq 0$ . By the adjointness,

$$\text{Hom}(M(x), C_s(M(ys))) = \text{Hom}(K_s(M(xs)), M(ys)) = \text{Hom}(M(x), M(ys)).$$

Hence we have  $x \geq ys$ . ■

**Lemma 3.12.** *For  $s, s' \in S$ , let  $\langle s, s' \rangle$  be the group generated by  $\{s, s'\}$ . Then for all  $x, y \in w_0\langle s, s' \rangle$ ,  $\text{Ext}^1(M(x), M(y)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e))$  is injective.*

**Proof.** Denote the irreducible quotient of  $M(x)$  by  $L(x)$ . Let  $w \in \langle s, s' \rangle$  be the longest element. Put

$$\mathcal{O}' = \{M \in \mathcal{O}_\lambda \mid [M : L(z)] = 0 \text{ for } z \notin w_0\langle s, s' \rangle\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{O}'$  is equivalent to the regular integral block of the BGG category of semisimple Lie algebra of rank 2. Applying Lemma 2.1 (3) to this category, the kernel of

$$\text{Ext}^1(M(x), M(y)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(w_0w))$$

is isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}(M(x), M(w_0w)/M(y))$ . However, we have that

$$[M(w_0w) : L(x)] = [M(y) : L(x)] = 1.$$

Hence this space is zero. By Lemma 2.1 (3), the kernel of

$$\text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(w_0w)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(w_0), M(e))$$

is isomorphic to  $\text{Hom}(M(w_0), M(e)/M(w_0w))$ . It is zero since  $[M(e) : L(w_0)] = [M(w_0w) : L(w_0)] = 1$ . ■

**Remark 3.13.** By Lemma 3.11 and Lemma 3.12, we have the following. For  $x, y \in w_0\langle s, s' \rangle$  such that  $xs > x \geq y < ys$ ,  $v_s \in V(xs, ys)$  if and only if  $x \geq ys$ . Since  $s(v_s) = -v_s$  and  $V(xs, ys) = s(V(x, y))$  (Lemma 3.9), under the same conditions, we have  $v_s \in V(x, y)$  if and only if  $x \geq ys$ .

**Proposition 3.14.** *The  $W$ -representation  $V$  is isomorphic to the geometric representation defined in [Bou02].*

**Proof.** Let  $w' \in \langle s, s' \rangle$  be the longest element and put  $w = w_0w'$ . Let  $m_{s,s'}$  be an order of  $ss' \in W$ . It is sufficient to prove that  $m_{s,s'}$  is an order of  $ss' \in \text{GL}(V)$ .

Fix  $s, s' \in S$  and set  $m = m_{s,s'}$ . Put  $V' = Kv_s + Kv_{s'} = V(w_0, w)$ . Then  $V'$  is  $\langle s, s' \rangle$ -stable. Let  $n$  be an order of  $ss' \in \text{GL}(V')$ . Then  $n|m$ . We prove

$n = m$ . Since  $(W, S)$  is a Weyl group,  $m = 2, 3, 4, 6$ . If  $m = 2, 3$ , then there is nothing to prove.

Assume that  $n = 2$  and  $m \neq 2$ . Then by Lemma 3.10,  $s'v'_s = v'_s$ . Therefore,  $v_s \in s'V(ws, w) = V(wss', ws')$  by Lemma 3.9. By Remark 3.13,  $ss' \geq s's$ . This is a contradiction since  $m \neq 2$ .

Assume that  $(n, m) = (3, 6)$ . Then we have  $s's(v'_{s'}) = -v'_s$ . Hence,  $v_s \in s'sV(ws', w) = V(ws'ss', wss')$ . By Remark 3.13,  $s'ss' \geq ss's$ . This is a contradiction since  $m = 6$ . ■

This proposition says that  $V \simeq \mathfrak{h}^*$  as  $W$ -module. Let  $\alpha$  be a simple root. By the proof,  $v_{s_\alpha}$  corresponds to  $\alpha$  up to constant multiple.

### 4. Regular case

As in the previous section, fix a regular integral dominant element  $\lambda$ . We continue to use the notation in the previous section. In this section, we determine  $V(x, y) \subset V$ .

We need the graded BGG category. By a result of Beilinson-Ginzburg-Soergel [BGS96], there exists a graded algebra  $A = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} A_i$  such that  $\mathcal{O}_\lambda$  is equivalent to the category of  $A$ -modules. Let  $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda$  be the category of graded  $A$ -modules. Then we have the forgetful functor  $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_\lambda$ . For  $M = \bigoplus_i M_i \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda$ , define  $M\langle n \rangle \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda$  by  $(M\langle n \rangle)_i = M_{i-n}$ . There exists a module  $\widetilde{M}(x) \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda$  such that its image in  $\mathcal{O}_\lambda$  is isomorphic to  $M(x)$  and it is unique up to grading shift [BGS96, 3.11]. Take a grading of  $\widetilde{M}(x)$  such that its top is in degree 0. Set  $\widetilde{M}^0(x) = \widetilde{M}(x)\langle \ell(x) \rangle$ . Then by the proof of [Maz07, Corollary 23], if  $x \geq y$ , then there exists a degree zero injective homomorphism  $\widetilde{M}^0(x) \rightarrow \widetilde{M}^0(y)$ .

For  $M, N \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda$ , let  $\text{Hom}(M, N)_0$  be the space of homomorphisms of degree zero and  $\text{Ext}^i(M, N)_0$  its derived functors. The following lemma is proved in [Maz07, Theorem 32]. However, the author thinks, although his proof is correct, the shift in the statement of the theorem is wrong. So we give a proof (it is the same as in the proof in [Maz07]).

**Lemma 4.1.** *We have  $\text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M}^0(x), \widetilde{M}^0(e)\langle i \rangle)_0 = 0$  if  $i \neq 2$ . Moreover, if  $i = 2$ , its dimension is equal to  $\#\{s \in S \mid s \leq x\}$ .*

**Proof.** We use the argument in the proof of Lemma 2.1 with a grading. Let  $\widetilde{P}$  be the projective cover of  $\widetilde{M}(w_0)$ . Then it has a Verma flag  $M_i$  such that  $M_i/M_{i-1}$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_{\ell(x)=i} M(x)$  (here, we ignore the grading). The by Lemma 2.1 (1), we have  $\text{Hom}(\widetilde{M}^0(x\lambda), M_1/M_0)_0 \simeq \text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M}^0(x\lambda), M_0)$ . We consider the grading of  $M_0$  and  $M_1/M_0$ . Take  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $M_0 \simeq \widetilde{M}(e)\langle k \rangle$ . Then the multiplicity of  $\widetilde{M}(w_0)\langle k \rangle$  in  $\widetilde{M}(e)$  is 1 by [BGS96, Theorem 3.11.4]. Since  $\widetilde{M}(w_0)\langle \ell(w_0) \rangle \subset \widetilde{M}(e)$ , we have  $k = \ell(w_0)$ . By the same argument, we have

$M_1/M_0 \simeq \bigoplus_s \widetilde{M}(s)\langle \ell(w_0) - 1 \rangle$ . So we have

$$\text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M}^0(x), \widetilde{M}^0(e)\langle i \rangle) \simeq \text{Hom} \left( \widetilde{M}^0(x), \bigoplus_{s \in S} \widetilde{M}^0(s)\langle i - 2 \rangle \right).$$

We get the lemma. ■

We use the following abbreviations.

- $E^i(x\langle k \rangle, y\langle l \rangle) = \text{Ext}^i(\widetilde{M}^0(x)\langle k \rangle, \widetilde{M}^0(y)\langle l \rangle)_0$ .
- $E^i(x\langle k \rangle, y/z\langle l \rangle) = \text{Ext}^i(\widetilde{M}^0(x)\langle k \rangle, \widetilde{M}^0(y)/\widetilde{M}^0(z)\langle l \rangle)_0$ .

By the above lemma,  $V(x, y)$  is the image of  $E^1(x, y\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow E^1(w_0, e\langle 2 \rangle)$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** *If  $i \leq 1$ , then  $\text{Ext}(\widetilde{M}^0(x), \widetilde{M}^0(y)\langle i \rangle)_0 = 0$ .*

**Proof.** We have  $E^1(x, y\langle i \rangle) = E^0(x, e/y\langle i \rangle)$  by Lemma 2.1 (3) and the above lemma. Let  $L$  be the unique irreducible quotient of  $\widetilde{M}^0(x)$ . By [BGS96, Theorem 3.11.4], we have  $[\widetilde{M}^0(e)/\widetilde{M}^0(y)\langle i \rangle : L] = 0$ . Hence we have  $E^0(x, e/y\langle i \rangle) = 0$ . ■

There is a graded lift of  $\theta_s$  [Str03]. We take a lift  $\widetilde{\theta}_s$  of  $\theta_s$  such that  $\widetilde{\theta}_s$  is self-dual and there exist degree zero natural transformations  $\text{Id}\langle 1 \rangle \rightarrow \widetilde{\theta}_s \rightarrow \text{Id}\langle -1 \rangle$ . Let  $\widetilde{C}_s$  (resp.  $\widetilde{K}_s$ ) be the cokernel (resp. kernel) of  $\text{Id}\langle 1 \rangle \rightarrow \widetilde{\theta}_s$  (resp.  $\widetilde{\theta}_s \rightarrow \text{Id}\langle -1 \rangle$ ). Then  $(\widetilde{C}_s, \widetilde{K}_s)$  is an adjoint pair. By [Str03, Theorem 3.6], we have the following formulas for  $x \in W$  and  $s \in S$  such that  $xs > x$ :

- $\widetilde{C}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(x)) = \widetilde{M}^0(xs)\langle -1 \rangle$  and  $L^k \widetilde{C}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(x)) = 0$  for  $k > 0$ .
- We have an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow (\widetilde{M}^0(x)/\widetilde{M}^0(xs))\langle 1 \rangle \rightarrow C_s(\widetilde{M}^0(xs)) \rightarrow \widetilde{M}^0(xs)\langle -1 \rangle \rightarrow 0$ .
- $\widetilde{K}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(xs)) = \widetilde{M}^0(x)\langle 1 \rangle$  and  $R^k \widetilde{K}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(xs)) = 0$  for  $k > 0$ .

We also have that  $L\widetilde{C}_s$  gives an auto-equivalence of  $D^b(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda)$  and its quasi-inverse functor is  $R\widetilde{K}_s$ .

Now we prove the main theorem in the regular case. We have already proved (1) (Lemma 3.9).

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $x, y \in W$  and  $s \in S$  such that  $xs > x \geq y$ .*

- (1) *If  $ys < y$ , then  $V(xs, y) = s(V(x, ys))$ .*
- (2) *If  $ys > y$ , then  $V(xs, y) = Kv_s + s(V(x, y))$ .*

**Proof.** From (1), we have  $s(V(x, y)) = V(xs, ys)$ . Since  $y < ys$ , we have a homomorphism  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(ys)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(y))$ . Hence  $V(xs, ys) \subset V(xs, y)$ . We also have  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(y))$ . Since  $Kv_s$  is the image of  $\text{Ext}^1(M(xs), M(x))$ , the right hand side is contained in the left hand side.

From an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow (\widetilde{M}^0(y)/\widetilde{M}^0(ys))\langle 2 \rangle \rightarrow \widetilde{C}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(ys))\langle 1 \rangle \rightarrow \widetilde{M}^0(ys) \rightarrow 0,$$

we have an exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}^0(\widetilde{M}^0(xs), \widetilde{C}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(ys))\langle 1 \rangle)_0 &\rightarrow E^0(xs, ys) \\ &\rightarrow E^1(xs, y/ys\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M}^0(xs), \widetilde{C}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(ys))\langle 1 \rangle)_0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $R\widetilde{K}_s$  is the quasi-inverse functor of  $L\widetilde{C}_s$ , for  $i \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}^i(\widetilde{M}^0(xs), C_s(\widetilde{M}^0(ys))\langle 1 \rangle)_0 &= \text{Hom}_{D^b(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda)}(\widetilde{M}^0(xs), L\widetilde{C}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(ys))\langle 1 \rangle[i])_0 \\ &= \text{Hom}_{D^b(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda)}(R\widetilde{K}_s(\widetilde{M}^0(xs)), \widetilde{M}^0(ys)\langle 1 \rangle[i])_0 \\ &= \text{Hom}_{D^b(\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda)}(\widetilde{M}^0(x)\langle 1 \rangle, \widetilde{M}^0(ys)\langle 1 \rangle[i])_0 \\ &= \text{Ext}^i(\widetilde{M}^0(x), \widetilde{M}^0(ys))_0. \end{aligned}$$

If  $i = 1$ , then this is zero by Lemma 4.2. Hence we get an exact sequence

$$E^0(x, ys) \rightarrow E^0(xs, ys) \rightarrow E^1(xs, y/ys\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow 0.$$

Assume that  $x \not\geq ys$ . Then  $E^0(x, ys) = 0$ . Therefore, we have that  $\dim E^1(xs, y/ys\langle 2 \rangle) = \dim E^0(xs, ys) = 1$ . From an exact sequence

$$E^1(xs, ys\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow E^1(xs, y\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow E^1(xs, y/ys\langle 2 \rangle),$$

the codimension of the image  $A$  of  $E^1(xs, ys\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow E^1(xs, y\langle 2 \rangle)$  is less than or equal to 1. We also have that the image  $B$  of  $E^1(xs, x\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow E^1(xs, ys\langle 2 \rangle)$  is one-dimensional by Lemma 3.2. By Lemma 3.11,  $A \cap B = 0$ . Hence  $A + B = E^1(xs, y\langle 2 \rangle)$ . This implies the theorem in this case.

Next assume that  $x \geq ys$ . Then  $E^0(x, ys) \rightarrow E^0(xs, ys)$  is isomorphic. Hence  $E^1(xs, y/ys\langle 2 \rangle) = 0$ . Therefore,  $E^1(xs, ys\langle 2 \rangle) \rightarrow E^1(xs, y\langle 2 \rangle)$  is surjective. This implies  $V(xs, ys) \supset V(xs, y)$ . ■

As a corollary, we can determine the dimension of  $V(x, y)$ . Let  $R_{y,x}(q)$  be the polynomial defined in [KL79].

**Theorem 4.4.** *Assume that  $\lambda$  is regular. Then  $\dim V_\lambda(x, y)$  is the coefficient of  $q$  in  $(-1)^{\ell(y)-\ell(x)-1}R_{y,x}(q)$ .*

**Proof.** Put  $n_{y,x} = \dim V(x, y)$ . Then by the above theorem and its proof, for  $x, y \in W$ ,  $s \in S$  such that  $xs > x \geq y$ , we have

- If  $ys < y$ , then  $n_{xs,y} = n_{x,ys}$ .
- If  $ys > y$  and  $x \geq ys$ , then  $n_{xs,y} = n_{x,y}$ .
- If  $ys > y$  and  $x \not\geq ys$ , then  $n_{xs,y} \leq n_{x,y} + 1$ .

Let  $r_{y,x}$  be the coefficient of  $q$  in  $(-1)^{\ell(y)-\ell(x)-1}R_{y,x}(q)$ . By [KL79, (2.0.b), (2.0.c)], the constant term of  $(-1)^{\ell(y)-\ell(x)-1}R_{y,x}(q)$  is 0 or 1 and it is 1 if and only if  $y \leq x$ . Hence using [KL79, (2.0.b), (2.0.c)], we have

- If  $ys < y$ , then  $r_{xs,y} = r_{x,ys}$ .
- If  $ys > y$  and  $x \geq ys$ , then  $r_{xs,y} = r_{x,y}$ .
- If  $ys > y$  and  $x \not\geq ys$ , then  $r_{xs,y} = r_{x,y} + 1$ .

Hence we get  $n_{y,x} \leq r_{y,x}$ . To prove  $n_{y,x} = r_{y,x}$ , it is sufficient to prove  $n_{w_0,x} = r_{w_0,x}$ . We prove this by backward induction on  $\ell(x)$ . By Lemma 4.1, we have  $n_{w_0,x} = \#\{s' \in S \mid w_0s' \geq x\}$ .

Take  $s \in S$  such that  $xs > x$ . If  $w_0s \geq xs$ , then  $r_{w_0,x} = r_{w_0s,x} = r_{w_0,xs} = n_{w_0,xs}$ . If  $w_0s \not\geq xs$ , then  $r_{w_0,x} = r_{w_0s,x} + 1 = r_{w_0,xs} + 1 = n_{w_0,xs} + 1$ . We compare  $X = \{s' \in S \mid w_0s' \geq x\}$  and  $Y = \{s' \in S \mid w_0s' \geq xs\}$ . Since  $xs > x$ , we have  $Y \subset X$ .

Assume  $s' \in Y$  and  $s' \neq s$ . Then  $s' \leq w_0xs$ . Hence  $s'$  appears in a reduced expression of  $w_0xs$ . Since  $s \neq s'$ ,  $s'$  appears in a reduced expression of  $w_0x$ . Hence  $s' \in X$ . This implies  $X \cap (S \setminus \{s\}) = Y \cap (S \setminus \{s\})$ .

Since  $xs > x$ , we have  $w_0s \geq x$ . Therefore,  $s \in X$ . Hence if  $w_0s \geq xs$ , we have  $X = Y$ , this implies  $n_{w_0,x} = n_{w_0,xs}$ . If  $w_0s \not\geq xs$ , we have  $X = Y \amalg \{s\}$ , this implies  $n_{w_0,x} = n_{w_0,xs} + 1$ . Therefore,  $r_{w_0,x} = n_{w_0,x}$ . ■

### 5. Singular case

In this section, we fix a dominant integral (may be singular) element  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ . We also fix a regular integral dominant element  $\lambda_0 \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ . Then the translation functor  $T_{\lambda_0}^\lambda$  is defined and it gives  $V_{\lambda_0}(x, y) \rightarrow V_\lambda(x, y)$ . Recall the notation  $S_\lambda = \{s \in S \mid s(\lambda) = \lambda\}$ .

In this section, we prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.1.** (1) *The homomorphism  $V_{\lambda_0}(x, y) \rightarrow V_\lambda(x, y)$  induced by the translation functor is surjective.*

(2) *The kernel of  $V_{\lambda_0} \rightarrow V_\lambda$  is  $\sum_{s \in S_\lambda} Kv_s$ .*

We use the notation  $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda$ ,  $M\langle n \rangle$  and  $\text{Hom}(M, N)_0$  which we use in the previous section. Then using the same argument in [Str03],  $T_{\lambda_0}^\lambda$  and  $T_\lambda^{\lambda_0}$  have graded lifts  $\widetilde{T}_{\lambda_0}^\lambda : \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_{\lambda_0} \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda$  and  $\widetilde{T}_\lambda^{\lambda_0} : \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_\lambda \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_{\lambda_0}$ , respectively.

Using the argument in [Str03], we can prove the following properties. Put  $\tilde{\theta} = \widetilde{T_\lambda^{\lambda_0}} \widetilde{T_\lambda^\lambda}$ . Set  $W_{S_\lambda} = \text{Stab}_W(\lambda)$  and let  $w_\lambda \in W_{S_\lambda}$  be the longest element. Then we can take  $\widetilde{T_\lambda^\lambda}$  and  $\widetilde{T_\lambda^{\lambda_0}}$  such that  $\tilde{\theta}$  is self-dual and there exists a natural transformation  $\text{Id}\langle \ell(w_\lambda) \rangle \rightarrow \tilde{\theta}$  and  $\tilde{\theta} \rightarrow \text{Id}\langle -\ell(w_\lambda) \rangle$ . Define a subset  $W(S_\lambda)$  of  $W$  by  $W(S_\lambda) = \{x \in W \mid xs > x \text{ for all } s \in S_\lambda\}$ . Then for  $x \in W(S_\lambda)$ ,  $\tilde{\theta}(\widetilde{M^0}(x\lambda_0))$  has a filtration  $M_i$  such that  $M_i/M_{i-1}$  is isomorphic to  $\bigoplus_{\ell(w)=i, w \in W_{S_\lambda}} \widetilde{M^0}(xw\lambda_0)\langle \ell(w_\lambda) - 2\ell(w) \rangle$ .

**Proof of Theorem 5.1.** We prove (1). By Theorem 4.3, for  $y \in W(S_\lambda)$  and  $w \in W_{S_\lambda}$ , we have  $V(x, yw) \subset V(x, y) \subset V(x, yw) + \sum_{s \in S_\lambda} K v_s$ . It is easy to see that  $v_s$  is in the kernel of  $V_{\lambda_0} \rightarrow V_\lambda$ . Hence we may assume that  $y \in W(S_\lambda)$ .

It is sufficient to prove that

$$\text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M^0}(x\lambda_0), \widetilde{M^0}(y\lambda_0)\langle 2 \rangle)_0 \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M^0}(x\lambda_0), \tilde{\theta}(\widetilde{M^0}(y\lambda_0))\langle 2 - \ell(w_\lambda) \rangle)_0$$

is surjective. Let  $M$  be the cokernel of

$$\widetilde{M^0}(y\lambda_0)\langle 2 \rangle \rightarrow \tilde{\theta}(\widetilde{M^0}(y\lambda_0))\langle 2 - \ell(w_\lambda) \rangle.$$

Then it is sufficient to prove that  $\text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M^0}(x\lambda_0), M)_0 = 0$ . As we mentioned above,  $M$  has a filtration  $\{M'_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  such that  $M'_i/M'_{i-1} \simeq \bigoplus_{\ell(w)=i, w \in W_\lambda} \widetilde{M^0}(yw\lambda_0)\langle 2 - 2\ell(w) \rangle$ . By Lemma 4.2, we have  $\text{Ext}^1(\widetilde{M^0}(x\lambda_0), \widetilde{M^0}(yw\lambda_0)\langle 2 - \ell(w) \rangle)_0 = 0$  if  $\ell(w) > 0$ . Hence we get (1).

We have (2) from (1) and (2) of Lemma 2.1. ■

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