

Crystallizing compact semisimple Lie groups

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Executive summary

- ① **Goal:** “Set-theoretic” version of representation theory for semisimple Lie groups.
- ② This is well-known for compact s.s. Lie groups K : **Crystal bases**.
- ③ This talk is about crystalization for the AN group.

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- **Weyl character formula (1925):** Action of Cartan subalgebra \mathfrak{h} .
- **Gelfand-Tsetlin (1950):** Explicit formulas for action of simple root vectors E_i, F_i , but for $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbb{C})$ only.
- **Pand-Hecht, Wong (1967), & many others:** Same for \mathfrak{o}_n , then \mathfrak{sp}_n , then all classical \mathfrak{g} .
- **Kashiwara, Lusztig (1990):** Crystal bases (asymptotic formulas + much more)

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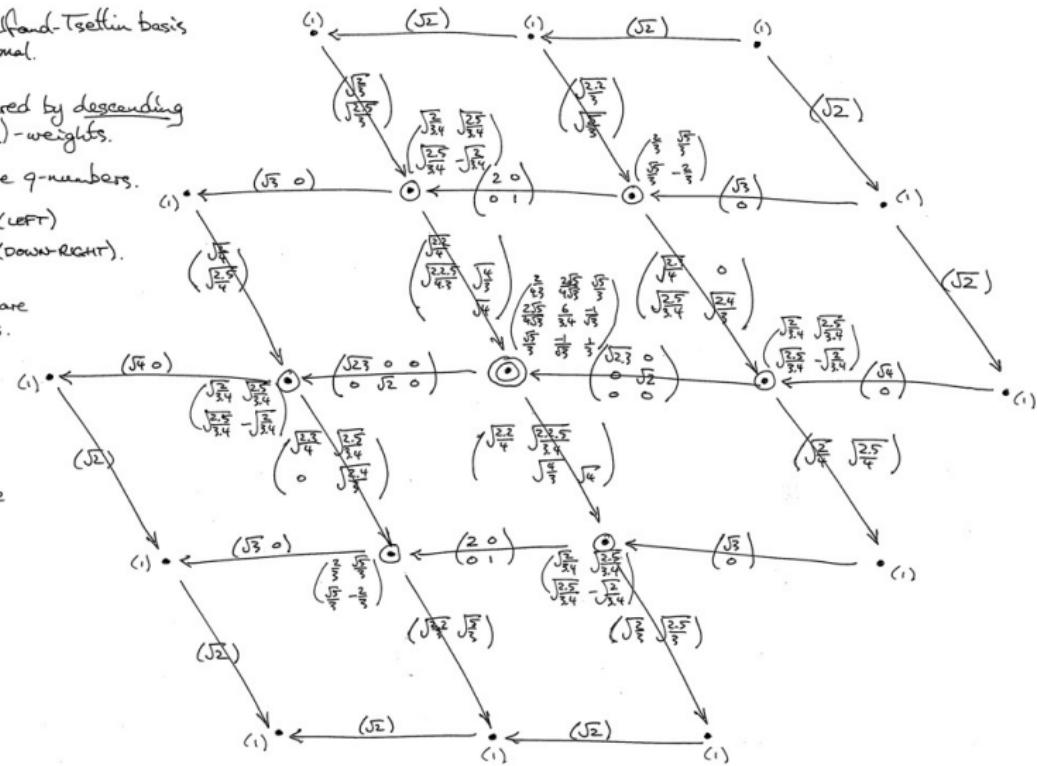
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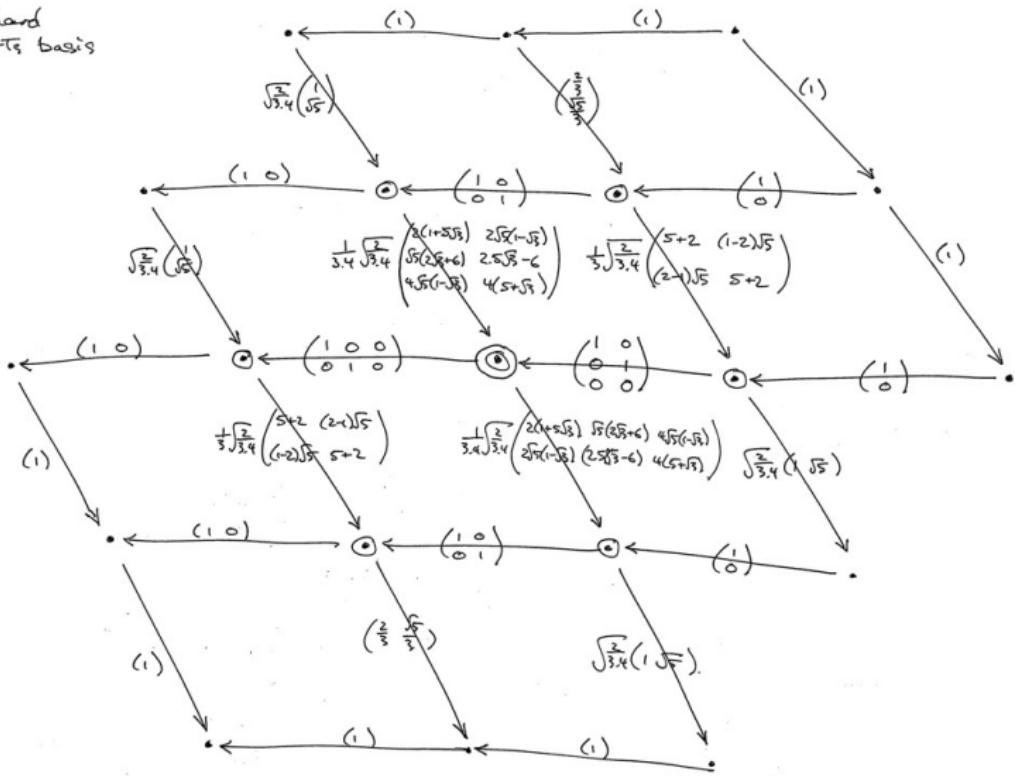
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$$\text{where: } [2]_q = q + q^{-1}, \quad [H]_q = \frac{q^H - q^{-H}}{q - q^{-1}}.$$

Rmk. Actually, one uses $K_i = q^{H_i}$ instead of H_i as generators.

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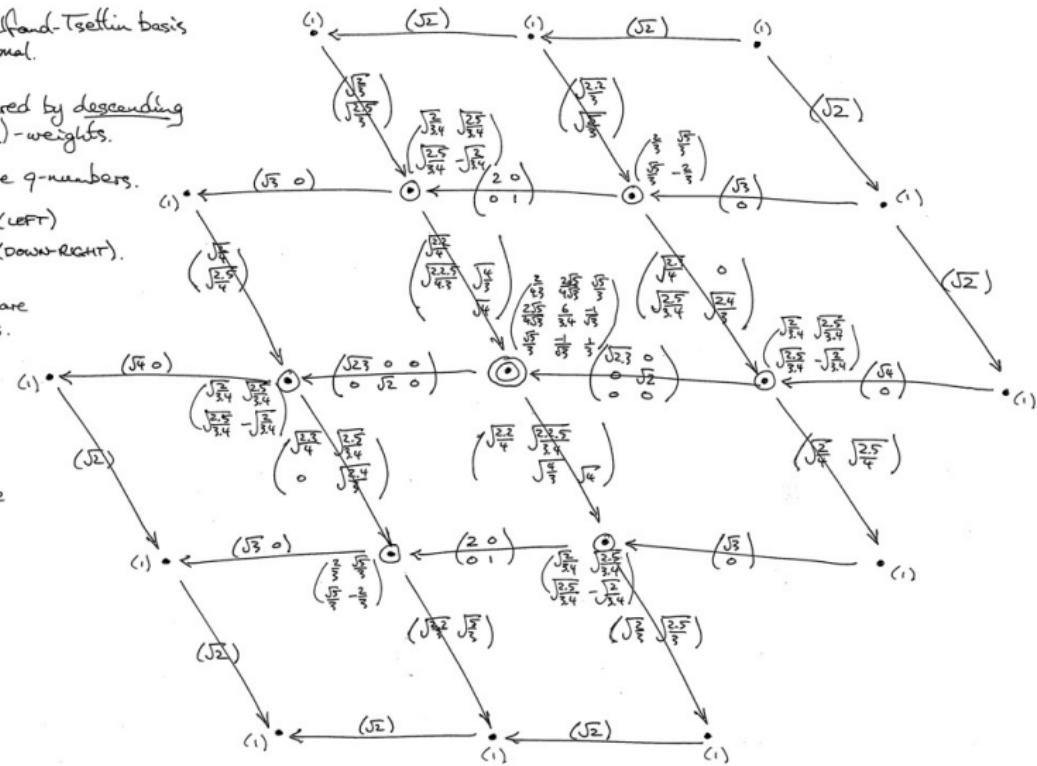
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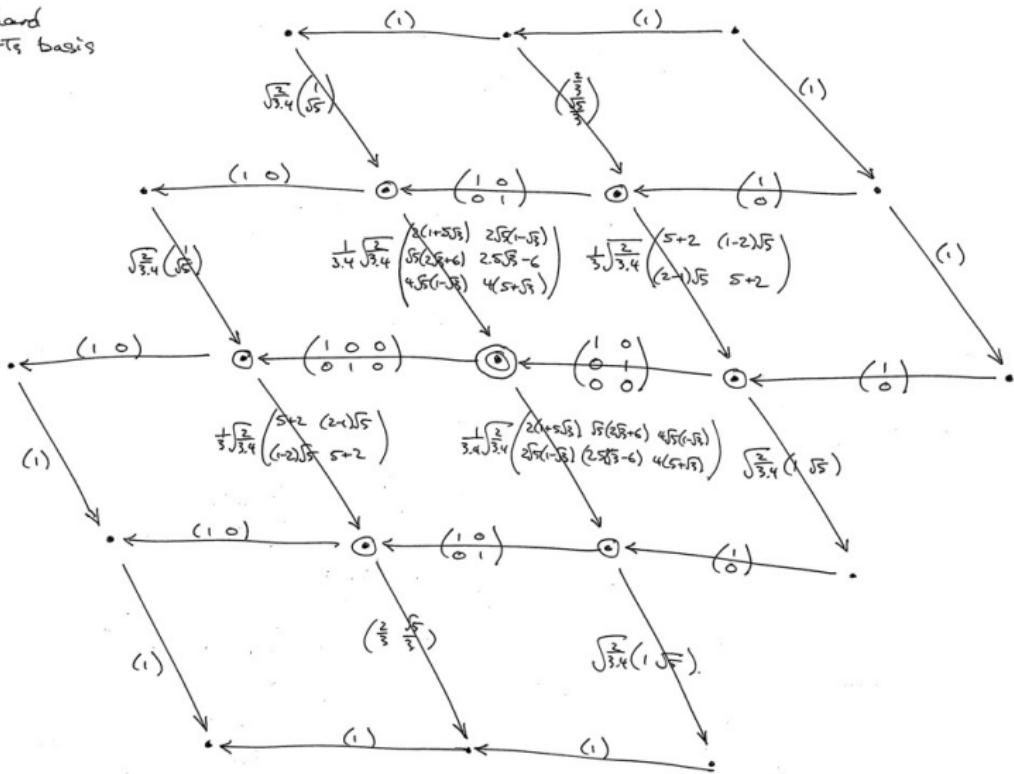
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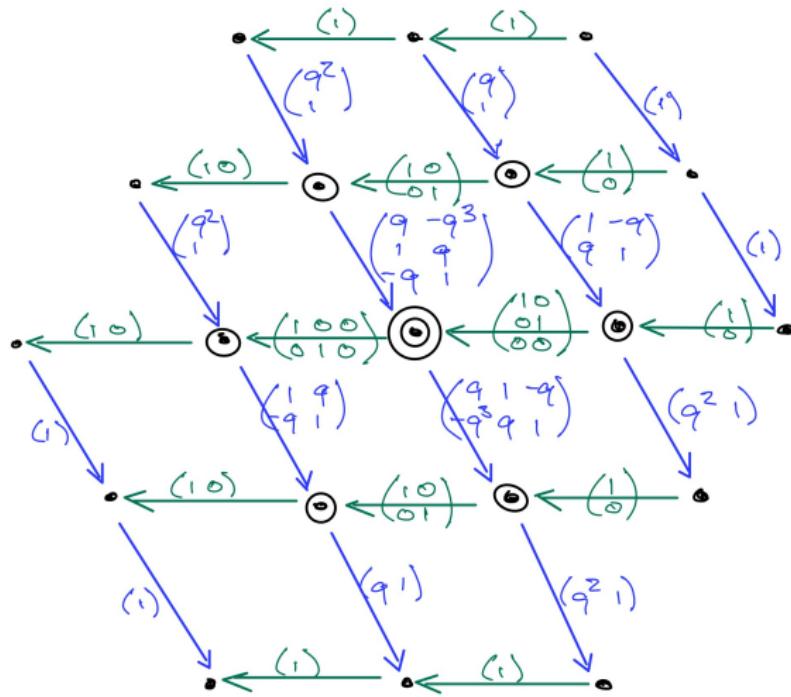
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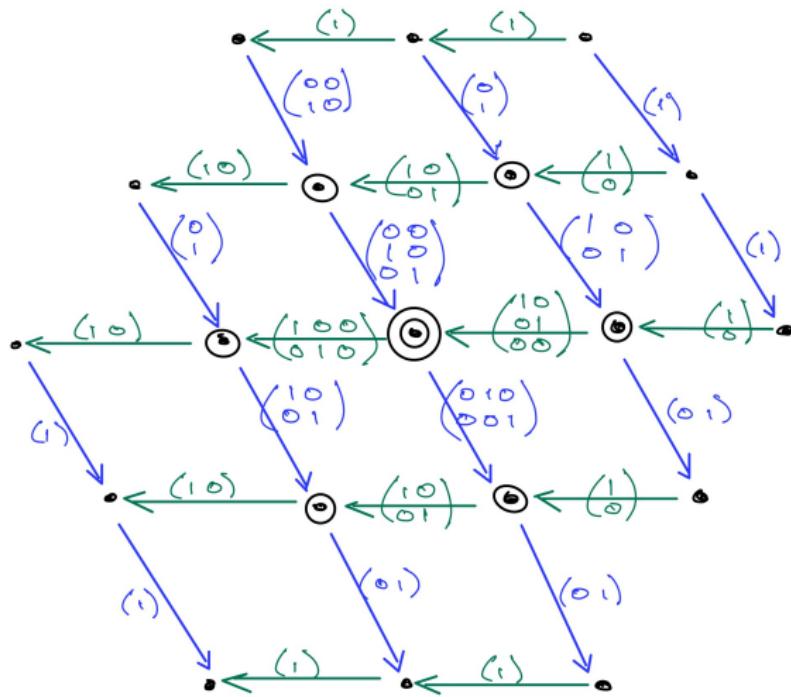
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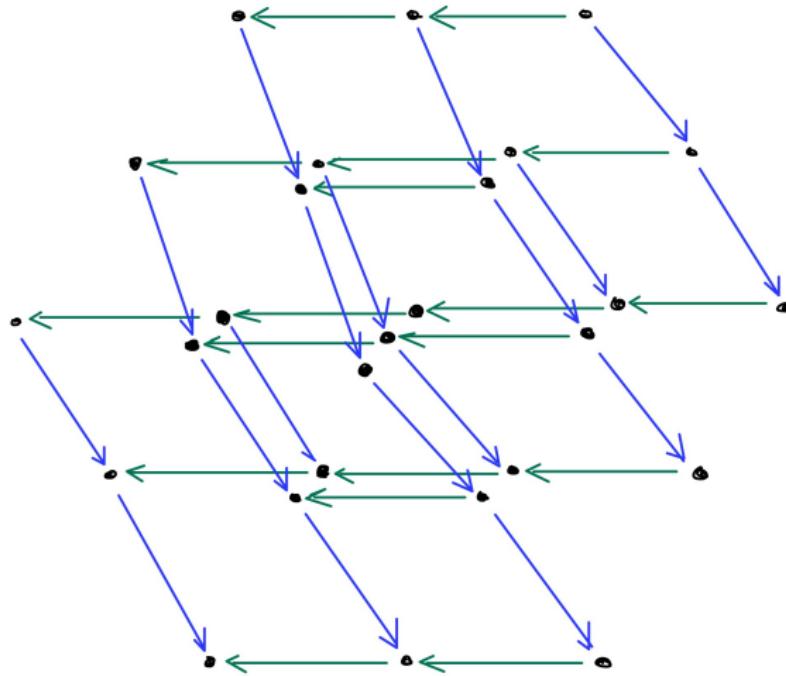
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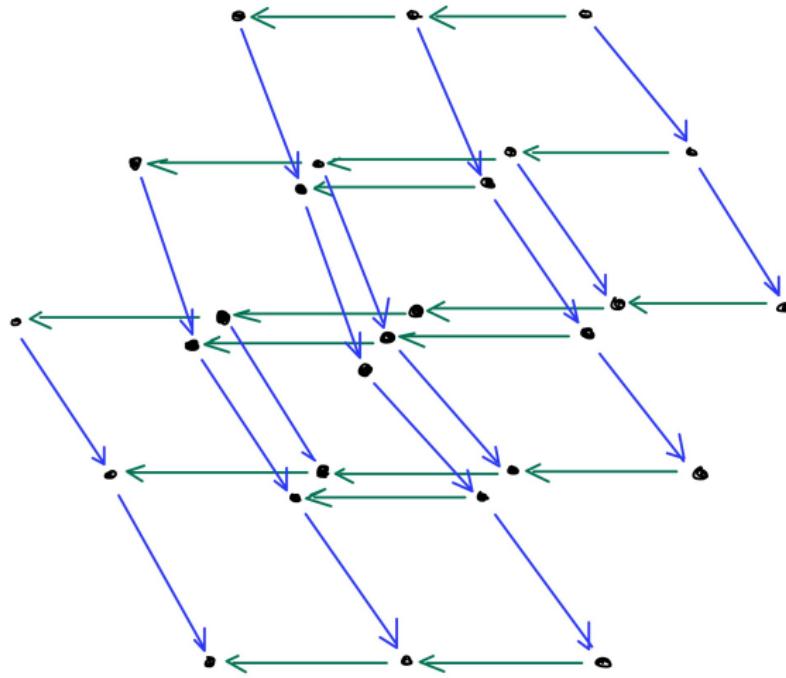
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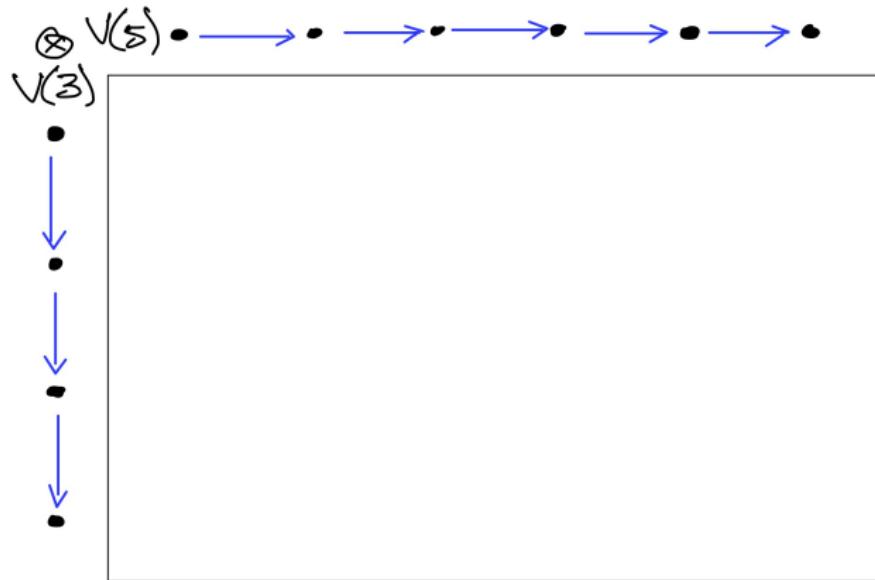
Theorem (Tensor product rule)

If $(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{B})$, $(\mathcal{L}', \mathcal{B}')$ are crystal bases for V, V' , then $(\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}', \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}')$ is a crystal basis for $V \otimes V'$, with action

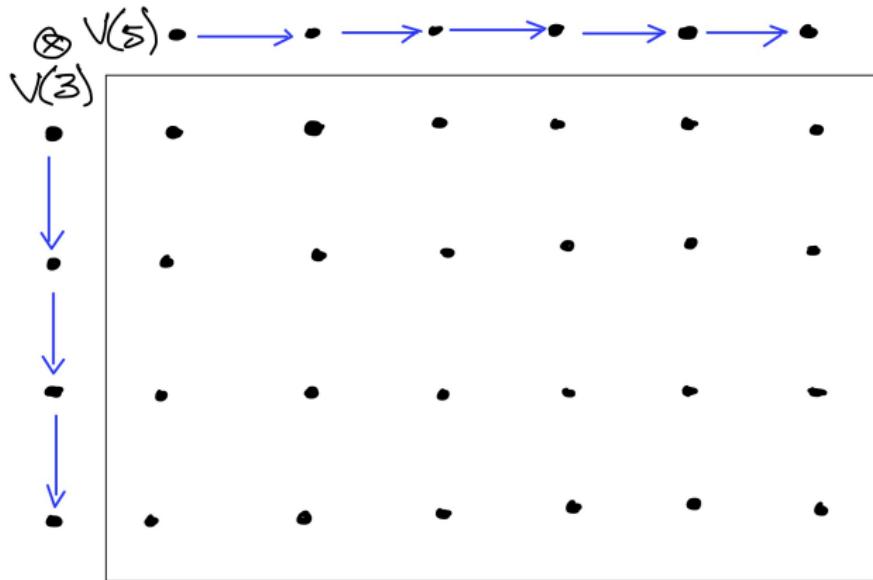
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where $\varepsilon_i(b) = \max\{n \mid \tilde{e}_i^n b \neq 0\}$ and $\varphi_i(b) = \max\{n \mid \tilde{f}_i^n b \neq 0\}$.

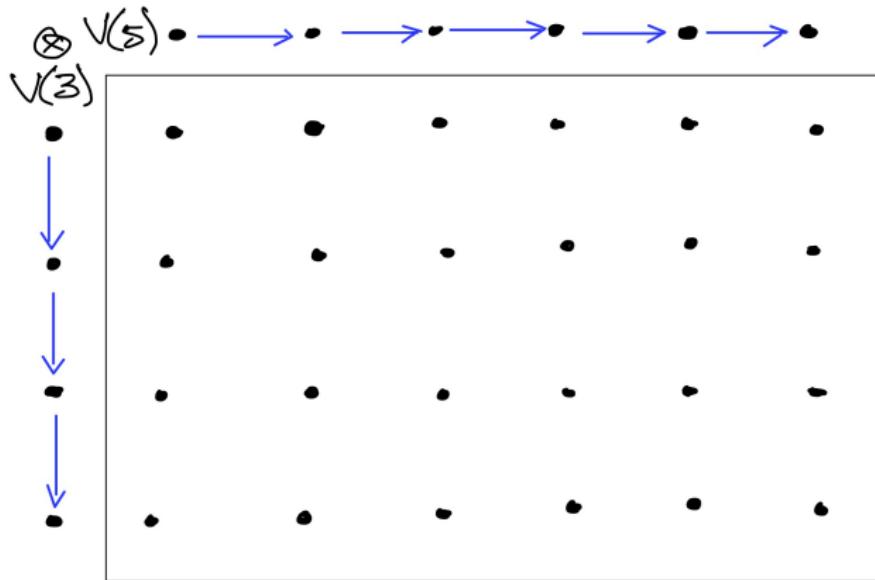
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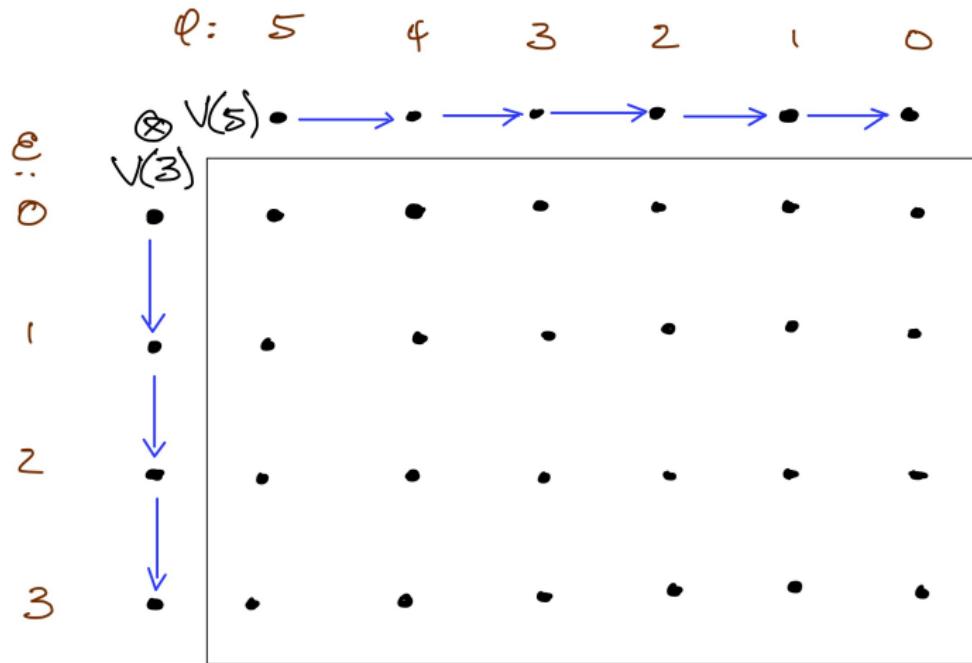


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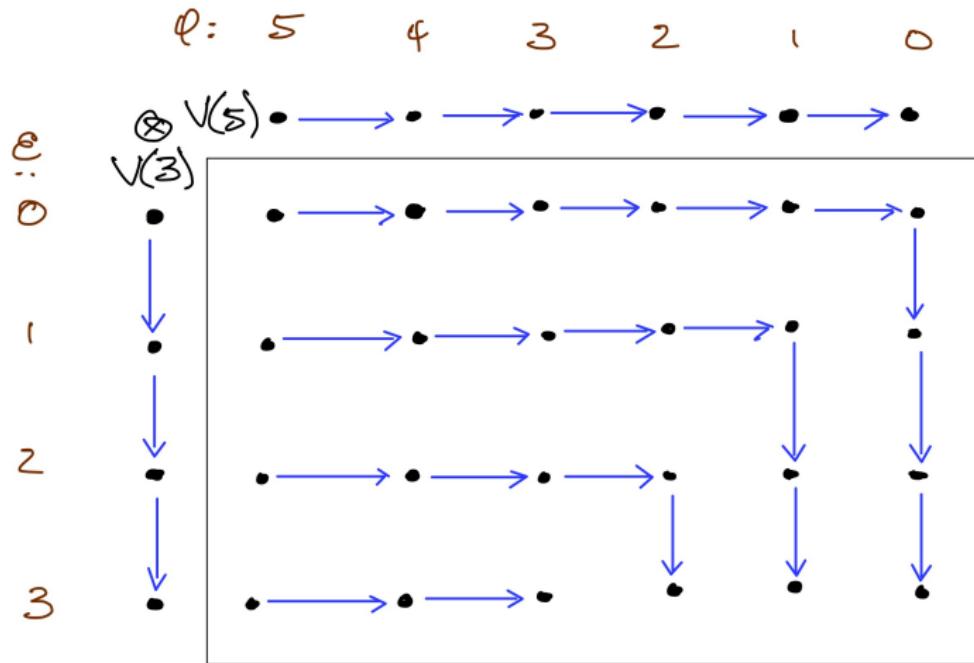
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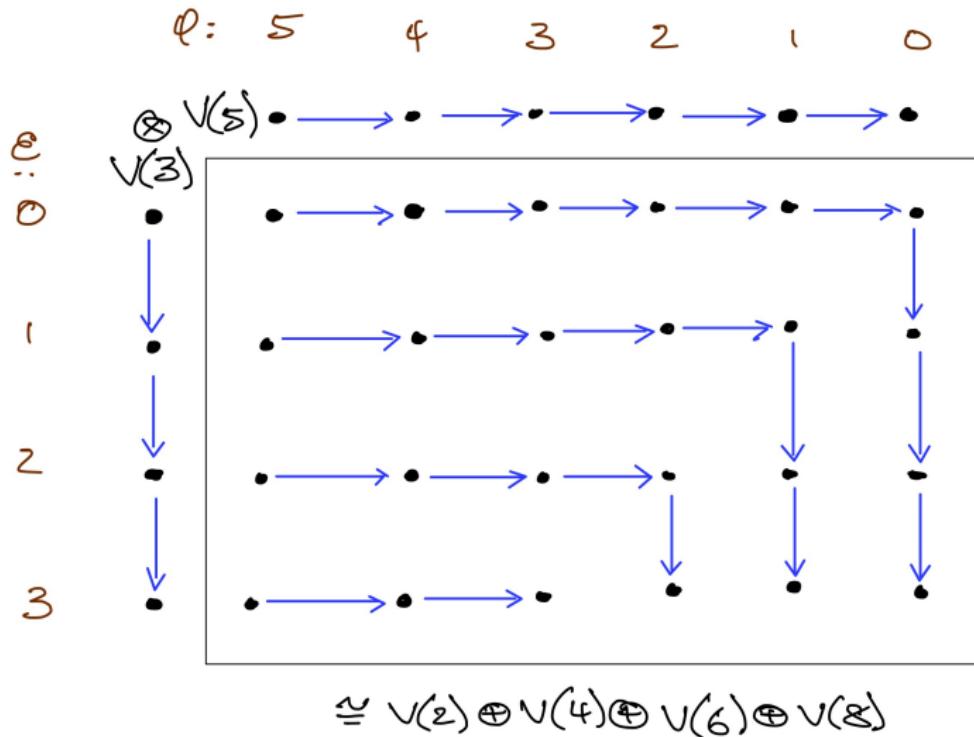
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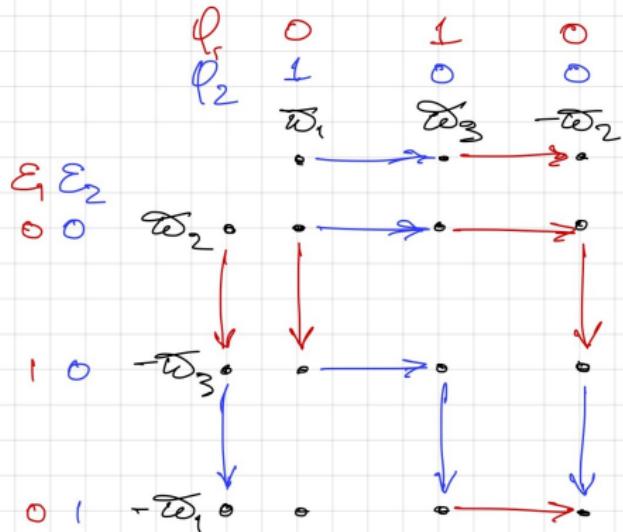
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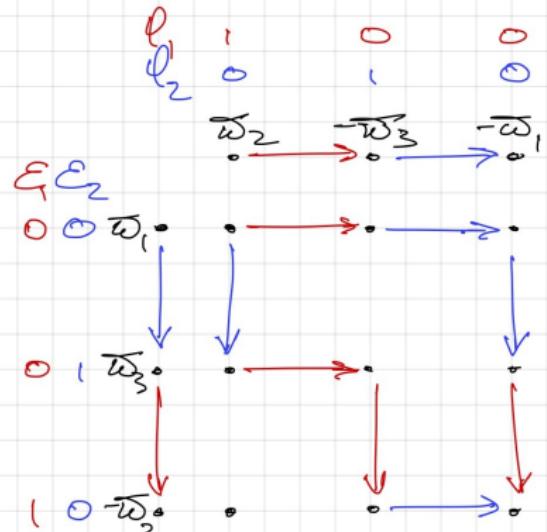


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“Crystallization” in analysis: Quantized algebras of functions

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- ..., **Giselsson (2023)**: $C(K_q)$ are all isomorphic for $q \in (0, \infty) \setminus \{1\}$.
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- Again, the $\mathcal{O}(X_q)$ are not all isomorphic.
- $\mathcal{O}(X_0)$ is a **Leavitt path algebra**
(= algebraic analog of a graph C^* -algebra).
- More precisely:
 - $C(\mathbb{C}P_q^n)$ is the AF-core of a graph C^* -algebra,
 - $C(\mathrm{SU}_q(3))$ is a higher-rank graph C^* -algebra.
- For $SU_q(n)$, there is another approach to crystallization by Giri-Pal (2023).

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What about higher rank?

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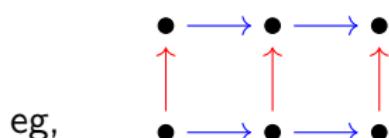
Definition (k -graph)

A **k -graph** is a category Λ (of paths) with a morphism $\mathbf{d} : \Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^k$ (*degree* or *coloured length*) satisfying the *factorization property*:

$$\mathbf{d}(e) = m + n \implies e = e_1 e_2 \text{ uniquely with } \mathbf{d}(e_1) = m, \mathbf{d}(e_2) = n.$$

Notation:

- $\Lambda^n := \mathbf{d}^{-1}(n)$ — paths of coloured length $n \in \mathbb{N}^k$.
- $\Lambda^{(0, \dots, 0)}$ is the set of **vertices**.
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The **higher rank graph C^* -algebra** $C^*(\Lambda)$ is the enveloping C^* -algebra.

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Theorem (Matassa-Y.)

K — connected compact semisimple Lie group.

The continuous field of C^* -algebras $(C(K_q))_{q \in (0, \infty)}$ extends to $q = 0, \infty$ with $C(K_0) \cong C(K_\infty) \cong C^*(\Lambda)$ for some explicit **higher rank graph** Λ of rank $\text{rk}(K)$.

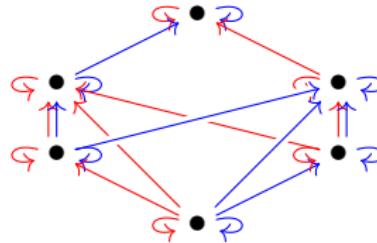
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- For $K = \text{SU}(3)$, this is a result of Giselsson.
He also shows $C(\text{SU}_q(3)) \cong C^*(\Lambda)$ for every $q \in [0, \infty] \setminus \{1\}$.
Conjecture: This is true in generality.
- Can replace K by the canonical torus bundle Y over a flag manifold.
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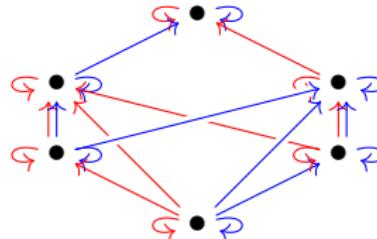
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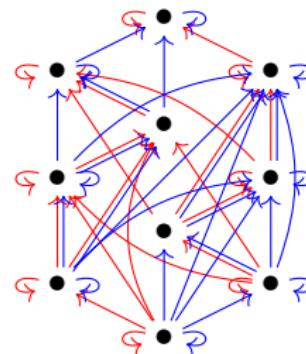
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- The **Cartan component** of $\mathcal{B}(\lambda) \otimes \mathcal{B}(\mu)$ is the irreducible component of highest weight $\lambda + \mu$.
- Say $b \in \mathcal{B}(\lambda)$, $c \in \mathcal{B}(\mu)$ are **composable** if $b \otimes c \in$ Cartan component.

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Lemma

Let $b \in \mathcal{B}(\lambda)$, $c \in \mathcal{B}(\mu)$ with $\lambda \geqslant \rho$. Then b and c are composable iff the fundamental right ends $\mathbf{R}_{\varpi_i}(b)$ are composable with c for every i .

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Braiding operators

The integrable $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules form a **braided category**.

Thus we have operators $\hat{R}_{VW} : V \otimes W \rightarrow W \otimes V$ satisfying the **braid relations**

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Lemma

The renormalized braiding ops $q^{(\lambda,\mu)} \hat{R}_{V(\lambda),V(\mu)}$ descend to crystal morphisms

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{B}(\lambda),\mathcal{B}(\mu)} : \mathcal{B}(\lambda) \otimes \mathcal{B}(\mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mu) \otimes \mathcal{B}(\lambda)$$

which are \cong on the **Cartan component** and zero on other components.

Let's call this the **Cartan braiding**.

Example: Tensor product of \mathfrak{sl}_4 representations

$\cup(\omega_1) \otimes \cup(\omega_2)$

$\bigvee(\bar{\omega}_2) \otimes \bigvee(\bar{\omega}_1)$

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Corollary

The following relations hold in the crystal limit $\mathcal{O}[K_0]$:

① $\mathbf{f}_i^\lambda \mathbf{f}_j^\mu = \eta(b_i^\lambda \otimes b_j^\mu) \mathbf{f}_m^{\lambda+\mu}, \quad \mathbf{v}_j^\mu \mathbf{v}_i^\lambda = \eta(b_i^\lambda \otimes b_j^\mu) \mathbf{v}_m^{\lambda+\mu},$

where $b_i^\lambda \otimes b_j^\mu \mapsto b_m^{\lambda+\mu}$ under $\mathcal{B}(\lambda) \otimes \mathcal{B}(\mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\lambda + \mu)$ and η is the indicator function of the Cartan component.

② $\mathbf{f}_i^\lambda \mathbf{v}_j^\mu = \sum_{k,l} \mathbf{v}_k^\mu \mathbf{f}_l^\lambda,$

with sum over (k, l) such that $\sigma : b_l^\lambda \otimes b_j^\mu \mapsto b_k^\mu \otimes b_i^\lambda$.

③ $\sum_i \mathbf{v}_i^\lambda \mathbf{f}_i^\lambda = 1.$

④ $(\mathbf{f}_i^\lambda)^* = \mathbf{v}_i^\lambda.$

Now put:

- $p_v = \prod_i \mathbf{v}_{b_i} \mathbf{f}_{b_i}$ for $v = (b_1, \dots, b_r) \in \Lambda^0, \Rightarrow \text{KP}(\Lambda) \text{ relations. } \square$
- $s_{(v,b)} = \mathbf{v}_b p_v$ for $(v, b) \in \Lambda.$

THANK YOU.