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Algebraic Lie Theory at the
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Higher representations of Lie
algebras III

$A = (a_{ij})_{i,j \in I}$ symmetric Cartan matrix.
(Assume I is finite)

consider a root datum of this type:

X, Y free abelian groups, $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : Y \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$
a perfect pairing. $I \rightarrow X, I \rightarrow Y$ w/
 $i \mapsto \alpha_i, i \mapsto \alpha_i^\vee$

linearly independent images and s.t. $\langle \alpha_i^\vee, \alpha_j \rangle = a_{ij}$
There is an associated Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = \langle e_i, f_i, h_i \mid$
 $i \in I, s \in Y \rangle$.

define a category $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{g})$, \mathbb{C} -linear,
objects = X ; arrows via generators $e_i: \lambda \mapsto \lambda + \alpha_i$
($\lambda \in X$), $f_i: \lambda \mapsto \lambda - \alpha_i$ and relations

- $e_i f_j = f_j e_i$ if $i \neq j$.
- $e_i f_i = f_i e_i + \langle \alpha_i^\vee, \lambda \rangle \text{id}_\lambda$

↑
End(λ)

- $\sum_{a+b=1-a_{ij}} (-1)^a e_i^{(a)} e_j e_i^{(b)} = 0$; analogously w/ f_i
↑
 $i \neq j$

Let $R: \mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\text{-mod}$ be a \mathbb{C} -linear functor
then $V = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in X} R(\lambda)$ is a rep. of $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{g})$.

This gives an equivalence

Functors $(\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{g}), \mathbb{C}\text{-mod}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{g})\text{-modules w/ wt. space decom. -position})$
not script \mathcal{H}

Remark ~~#-version~~ There is a #-version and a quantum version.

define \mathcal{A} -a 2-category.:

$$\text{Ob}(\mathcal{A}) = X$$

recall: a 2-category has arrows and 2-arrows, i.e. a category enriched in categories (Hom's are categories).

example the 2-category of all categories (say small).

$$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Z}[\{t_{ij}^{\pm 1}\}, \{t_{ijrs}\}]$$

$\mathcal{B} =$ monoidal category / \mathbb{K} generated by $E_i, i \in I$
 $x_i: E_i \rightarrow E_i, T_{ij}: E_i \otimes E_j \rightarrow E_j \otimes E_i + \text{relations.}$

define $\mathcal{B}_1: \mathbb{K}$ -linear (strict), monoidal category obtained from \mathcal{B} by adding F_i : right duals to $E_i, i \in I$. so we throw in

$$E_i: E_i F_i \rightarrow \text{id}$$

$\eta_i: \text{id} \rightarrow F_i E_i$ w/ usual properties of units and counits.

we want to enforce " $e_i f_i = f_i e_i^*$, ..."

Let $L =$ subcategory of \mathcal{B}_1 , w/ objects products of E_i s and F_i s

$$h: \text{Ob}(L) \rightarrow X \quad (\text{morphism of monoids})$$

$$E_i \mapsto \alpha_i$$

$$F_i \mapsto -\alpha_i$$

Given $\beta \in X$, put $\mathcal{B}_1(\beta) =$ full subcategory (additive) of \mathcal{B} , w/ objects direct sums of objects of $\eta^{-1}(\beta)$

define $\mathcal{A}_1: 2$ -category; objects = X ,
 $\text{Hom}(\lambda, \lambda') = \mathcal{B}_1(\lambda' - \lambda)$

define $\sigma_{ij}: E_i E_j \rightarrow E_j E_i$ via

$$E_i E_j \rightarrow E_j E_i$$

define $\sigma_{ij}: E_i F_j \rightarrow F_j E_i$ via.

$$E_i F_j \xrightarrow{\eta_{ij}^{E_i F_j}} F_j E_i \cdot E_i F_j \xrightarrow{F_j \tau_{ij} F_j} F_j E_i E_i F_j \xrightarrow{F_j E_i \xi_j} F_j E_i$$

(this is the same as.

$$X \otimes Y \longrightarrow Y \otimes X \otimes Y \otimes X \otimes Y \longrightarrow Y \otimes X \otimes Y \otimes Y$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$Y \otimes X$$

if $\langle \alpha_i^v, \lambda \rangle \geq 0$, define (in \mathcal{A}_1)

$$P_{i,\lambda}: E_i F_i \cdot 1_\lambda \longrightarrow F_i E_i 1_\lambda \oplus 1_\lambda \quad (\text{in } \text{End}(\lambda))$$

($E_i F_i: \lambda \rightarrow \lambda$) as $\sigma_{ii} + \sum_{r=0}^{\langle \alpha_i^v, \lambda \rangle - 1} E_i \circ (X_i^r F_i)$

$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_1 [\{ \sigma_{ij}^{-1} \}_{i \neq j}, \{ P_{i,\lambda}^{-1} \}]$ is the 2-category associated w/ \mathfrak{g} .

0-arrows: X

1-arrows: sums of products of E_i, F_i 's

2-arrows: generated by $X_i^e, \tau_{ij}^{-1}, E_i, \eta_i, \sigma_{ij}^{-1}, P_{i,\lambda}^{-1}$

Put \mathcal{K}^{idem} = idempotent completion of \mathcal{K}
 (add direct summands of products of E 's,
 F 's).

Let \mathcal{C} be the additive category w/ objects
 X , $\text{Hom}(X, X') = K_0(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{K}^{idem}}(X, X'))$.

Prop There is an isomorphism of a fun-
 -ctor $\mathcal{H}_{\#}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &\mapsto \lambda \\ e_i^{(n)} &\mapsto [E_i^{(n)}] \\ f_i^{(n)} &\mapsto [F_i^{(n)}] \end{aligned}$$

which induces

$$\mathcal{H}_{\#}(\mathcal{C}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{C}_{\#}$$

where $\mathcal{C}_{\#}$ is defined by using $\mathcal{K} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathbb{K}_{\#}$

As F_i is right dual to E_i : $\text{End}(F_i^{\wedge}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{End}(E_i^{\vee})^{\text{op}}$

$$F_i^{(n)} = b_n \otimes F_i^{\wedge}$$

(In practice for reps (on categories) of this
 2-cat \mathcal{K} it is hard to check invertibility.)

In next lecture we will see that it is
 enough to check $E_i F_j = F_j E_i$ at the level
 of K_0)

"2-representations of \mathcal{K} "

= 2-functor

$\mathcal{K} \rightarrow$ 2-cat of \mathbb{K} -linear cats

or 2-cat of " abelian cats.

or 2-cat of " b_0 -cats.