WEAK FACES OF HIGHEST WEIGHT MODULES AND ROOT SYSTEMS

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Abstract. The geometry, and the (exposed) faces, of X a 'Root polytope' or 'Weyl polytope' over a complex simple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} , have been studied for many decades for various applications; by Satake, Borel, Tits, Vinberg, to name a few. This talk focuses on two recent combinatorial analogues to these classical faces, in the discrete setting of weight-sets X.

Chari et al. [Adv. Math. 2009 & J. Pure Appl. Algebra 2012] introduced and studied two combinatorial subsets of X a root system or the weight-set wtV of an integrable simple highest weight \mathfrak{g} -module V, for studying Kirillov–Reshetikhin modules over the specialization at q = 1 of quantum affine algebras $U_q(\hat{\mathfrak{g}})$ and for constructing Koszul algebras. Later, Khare [J. Algebra 2016] carefully studied these subsets for X = wtV for a large class of highest weight \mathfrak{g} -modules V, under the names 'weak-A-faces' (for subgroups $\mathbb{A} \subseteq (\mathbb{R}, +)$) and '({2}; {1,2})-closed subsets'. For two subsets $Y \subseteq X$ in a vector space, Y is said to be ({2}; {1,2})-closed in X, if $y_1 + y_2 = x_2 + x_2$ for $y_i \in Y$ and $x_i \in X$ implies $x_1, x_2 \in Y$.

In finite type, Chari et al. classified these discrete faces for X root systems and wtV for all integrable V, and Khare for all (non-integrable) simple V. In the talk, we will extend and completely solve this problem for all highest weight modules V over any Kac-Moody Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . We will classify, and show the equality of, the weak faces and ({2}; {1,2})closed subsets in the three prominent settings of X: (a) wtV $\forall V$, (b) the hull of wtV $\forall V$, (c) wt \mathfrak{g} (consisting of roots and 0). Moreover, they equal in the case of (a) (resp. of (b)) the weights falling on the exposed faces (resp. the exposed faces) of the hulls of wtV. Based on the recent preprint arXiv:2106.14929 (to appear in Transformation Groups).