

## PART II. Deligne - Lusztig theory for finite reductive groups

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## Chapter 6. $\mathbb{F}_q$ -structures on alg. groups

We fix an algebraic group  $G$ .  
(linear)

### 6.A. Definition

An  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -structure on  $G$  is the datum of a Frobenius endomorphism  $F: G \rightarrow G$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  which is a morphism of groups.

We set  $G^F = \{g \in G \mid F(g) = g\}$

Examples. (0) If  $G$  is finite, this is just the datum of an automorphism of  $G$ .

$$(1) F: \mathbb{F}^+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{F}^+ \\ x \mapsto x^q \Rightarrow (\mathbb{F}^+)^F = \mathbb{F}_q^+$$

$$(2) F: \mathbb{F}^\times \longrightarrow \mathbb{F}^\times \\ x \mapsto x^q \Rightarrow (\mathbb{F}^\times)^F = \mathbb{F}_q^\times$$

$$(3) F: GL_n(\mathbb{F}) \longrightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{F}) \\ (a_{ij}) \mapsto (a_{ij}^q) \\ GL_n(\mathbb{F})^F = GL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$$

$$F_u: GL_n(\mathbb{F}) \longrightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{F}) \\ (a_{ij}) \mapsto {}^t(a_{ij}^q)^{-1}$$

Then  $F_u^2 = F^2$  so  $F_u$  is also a Frob. endo/ $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

and

$$GL_n(\mathbb{F})^{F_u} = U_n(\mathbb{F}_{q^2}) \\ = \{g \in GL_n(\mathbb{F}_{q^2}) \mid g \cdot {}^t F(g) = I_n\} \\ (\text{unitary group})$$

(4) Let  $F$  be a Frob. endo. of  $G$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

$$\text{Let } F': G^n \xrightarrow{\quad} G^n \\ (g_1, \dots, g_n) \longmapsto (F(g_1), F(g_2), \dots, F(g_{n-1}))$$

Then  $F'^n = F^n$  or  $F'$  is a Frob. endo. /  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of  $G^n$  and

$$(G^n)^{F'} \xleftarrow{\sim} G^{F^n} \\ (g, F(g), \dots, F^{n-1}(g)) \longleftarrow g$$

$$(5) \text{ If } g \in G, \text{ then } gF: G \longrightarrow G \\ R \longmapsto gF(R)g^{-1}$$

is a Frob. endo. /  $\mathbb{F}_q$  (exercise).

### 6.B. Lang's Theorem.

We fix a Frob. endo.  $F: G \rightarrow G / \mathbb{F}_q$ .

$F$ -conjugacy. The formula

$$g \cdot_F R = g R F(g)^{-1}$$

defines an action of  $G$  on itself ( $F$ -conjugacy). We denote by  $H^1(F, G)$  the set of  $F$ -conjugacy classes.

Theorem 6.1 (Lang). If  $G$  is connected, then  $H^1(F, G) = \{G\}$ . In other words, the Lang map  $\mathcal{L}: G \rightarrow G, g \mapsto g^{-1}F(g)$  is surjective.

Proof. If  $a \in G$ , then  $G_{a, F} = G^{aF}$  is finite. So the orbit  $\Omega(a)$  of  $a$  has dimension  $\dim G$ . Since  $G$  is irreducible, this means that  $\overline{\Omega(a)} = G$  so  $\Omega(a)$  is open in  $G$  (by S.13). Therefore  $\Omega(a) \cap \Omega(1) \neq \emptyset$ . ■

Corollary 6.2.  $H^1(F, G) = H^1(F, G/G^\circ)$

Proof. The natural map is onto. So let  $g, R \in G$  be such that there exists  $a \in G$  and  $g_a \in G^\circ$  such that  $a R F(a)^{-1} = g_a g$ .

By Lang Theorem applied to  $gF$ , there exists  $b \in G^\circ$  such that

$$b^{-1} g F(b) g^{-1} = g_a \\ \Rightarrow a R F(a)^{-1} = b^{-1} g F(b) . \blacksquare$$

Remark. Assume that  $G$  is finite:  $H^1(F, G) = \{G\}$

$\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is surjective  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is injective  
 $\Leftrightarrow G^F = \{1\} \stackrel{\text{Thompson}}{\Rightarrow} G$  is nilpotent. ■

6.C. Consequences. Let  $X$  be a variety and  $F: X \rightarrow X$  be a Frob. endo. /  $\mathbb{F}_q$  and assume that  $G$  acts on  $X$  and that its action is defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  ( $F(g \cdot x) = F(g) \cdot F(x)$ ).

Proposition 6.3. Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be an  $F$ -stable  $G$ -orbit and assume that  $G$  is connected.

(a)  $\mathcal{O}^F \neq \emptyset$ .

(b) Let  $x_0 \in \mathcal{O}^F$ . Then the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{O}^F/G^F & \longrightarrow & H^1(F, G_{x_0}/G_{x_0}^\circ) \\ \text{\scriptsize $G^F$-orbit of } g \cdot x_0 & \longmapsto & \text{F-class of } g^{-1}F(g) \end{array}$$

is well-defined and bijective.

Proof. (a) Let  $x \in \mathcal{O}$ . Then  $\exists g \in G$  s.t.

$F(x) = g \cdot x$ . By Lang Theorem, we can write  $g^{-1} = a^{-1}F(a)$ . Then

$$F(a \cdot x) = F(a) \cdot F(x) = (ag^{-1}) \cdot (g \cdot x) = a \cdot x$$

so  $a \cdot x \in \mathcal{O}^F$ .

$$(b) F(g \cdot x_0) = g \cdot x_0 \ (\Rightarrow g^{-1}F(g) \in G_{x_0}).$$

If  $g \cdot x_0 = R \cdot x_0$ , then  $u = g^{-1}R \in G_{x_0}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } g^{-1}F(g) &= (g^{-1}R) R^{-1}F(R) F(R^{-1}g) \\ &= u R^{-1}F(R) F(u)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

So  $g^{-1}F(g) \sim_F R^{-1}F(R)$  in  $G_{x_0}$ .

$$\text{If } \alpha \in G^F \text{ then } (\alpha g)^{-1}F(\alpha g) = g^{-1}F(g)$$

or  $\alpha g \cdot x_0$  and  $g \cdot x_0$  have the same image.

This proves that the map is well-defined.  
Bijectivity is easy (exercise). ■

Flexibility. Let  $g \in G^\circ$ . Then the pairs  $(G, F)$  and  $(G, gF)$  are isomorphic.

Indeed, write  $g = \alpha^{-1}F(\alpha)$  and  $F' = gF$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Then the map } c_\alpha: G & \xrightarrow{\sim} & G \\ R & \longmapsto & \alpha R \alpha^{-1} \end{array}$$

satisfies

$$c_\alpha(F'(R)) = F(c_\alpha(R))$$

In particular

$$G^{gF} \xrightarrow{c_\alpha} G^F$$

( $g \in G^\circ$  !!!). ■

Example 6.4. If  $H$  is an  $F$ -stable connected closed subgroup of  $G$ , then

$$(G/H)^F \xrightarrow{\sim} G^F/H^F . \blacksquare$$

### Galois unramified covering.

The Lang map  $\mathcal{L}: G \rightarrow G$  is an orbit map for the action of  $G^F$  on  $G$  by left translation:  $\mathcal{L}(g) = \mathcal{L}(h) \Leftrightarrow g^{-1}h \in G^F$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } d_1 \mathcal{L}: T_1(G) &\longrightarrow T_1(G) \\ x &\longmapsto -x \\ \stackrel{=}{\Rightarrow} \quad (4.5) \quad G^F \backslash G &\xrightarrow{\bar{\mathcal{L}}} G \quad (!!) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G^F$  acts freely, it is a Galois unramified covering of  $G$ .

### 6.D. Finite reductive groups (finite groups of Lie type)

Let  $G$  be a connected reductive group endowed with a Frob. endo.  $F / \mathbb{F}_q$ .

Let  $B'$  be a Borel subgroup. The set of Borel subgroups  $\hookrightarrow G/N_G(B') = G/B'$  (5.20)

$F$ (Borel subgroup) is a Borel subgroup.

The variety of Borel subgroups (flag variety) is defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

By Prop. 6.3(a)  $\Rightarrow \exists$   $F$ -stable Borel subgroup  $B_0$ .

Similarly, there exists an  $F$ -stable maximal torus  $T_0 \subset B_0$ .

Exercise. The pair  $(T_0, B_0)$  is unique up to  $G^F$ -conjugacy.  $\blacksquare$

Let  $W = N_G(T_0)/T_0$  be the Weyl group and  $S = \{ \sigma \in W \mid \dim B_0 B_0^- \cdot \dim B_0 = 1 \}$ .

- $F$ -stable Borel subgroup  $B_0$
- $F$ -stable maximal torus  $\overset{\cup}{T}_0$
- $W = N_G(T_0)/T_0$  is acted on by  $F$
- $S : F(S) = S$ .

If  $w \in W^F$ , we choose a representative  $w$  of  $w$  in  $N_G(T_0)^F$  (example 6.4).

Proposition 6.5 (Bruhat decomposition).

$$G^F = \bigcup_{w \in W^F} B_0^F w B_0^F$$

Proof. Let  $g \in G^F \subset G$ . So there exists  $w \in W$  s.t.  $g \in B_0 w B_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } F(g) &= g \in F(B_0 w B_0) = B_0 F(w) B_0 \\ \Rightarrow F(w) &= w \quad (\text{5.24(b)}), \\ \Rightarrow w &\in W^F. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mathcal{O}(w) = B_0 w B_0$ . It is an  $F$ -stable  $(B_0 \times B_0)$ -orbit. So

$$B_0^F \setminus \mathcal{O}(w)^F / B_0^F \underset{\substack{\cong \\ 6.3(b)}}{\sim} H^1(F, \underline{B_0 \cap {}^w B_0})$$

||  
singleton.  
connected

Example 6.6. Take  $G_n = GL_n(\mathbb{F})$  and

$$F : (a_{ij}) \mapsto (a_{ij}^q).$$

Take  $B_0 = B_n$  is  $F$ -stable

$T_0 = T_n$  is  $F$ -stable

Now, let  $F_u : (a_{ij}) \mapsto {}^t(a_{ij}^q)^{-1}$

Then  $T_n$  is  $F_u$ -stable

BUT  $B_n$  is not (!).

Using the "flexibility", let

$$w_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in G_n = G_n^\circ$$

So we can replace  $F_u$  by  $F' = w_0 F_u$  ( $G_n^{F'} = G_n^{F_u}$ ). Then

$B_n$  and  $T_n$  are  $F'$ -stable.

$\begin{cases} F \text{ acts trivially on } W = S_n \\ F' \text{ acts on } W \text{ by conjugacy by } w_0. \end{cases}$

$$(w_0 \cdot \sigma; w_0^{-1} = \sigma_{n-i}) \blacksquare$$

## F-stable parabolic subgroups.

If  $I \subset S$ , then  $P_I = \bigcup_{w \in W_I} B_w w B_w$ .

( $w_I = \langle I \rangle$ ) is a parabolic subgroup.

It is F-stable  $\Leftrightarrow F(I) = I$ .

Proposition 6.6.  $(P_I)_{\substack{I \subset S \\ F(I) = I}}$  is a set of

representatives of  $G^F$ -conjugacy classes  
of F-stable parabolic subgroups.

## Chapter 7. Harish-Chandra theory.

We fix a connected reductive group  $G$   
endowed with a Frob. endo.  $F / \mathbb{F}_q$ .

$KG^F$ -mod?

### 7.A. HC induction and restriction.

Let  $P$  be an F-stable parabolic  
subgroup:

$\Rightarrow P$  contains an F-stable max. torus  $T$

$\Rightarrow$  so the unique Levi complement  $L$   
of  $P$  containing  $T$  is F-stable

Write  $V = R_u(P)$

$$\text{So } P = L \ltimes V \Rightarrow P^F = L^F \ltimes V^F$$

So  $K[G^F/V^F]$  is a  $(KG^F, KL^F)$ -bimodule

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$$R_{LCP}^G : KL^F\text{-mod} \longrightarrow KG^F\text{-mod}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M &\longmapsto K[G^F/V^F] \otimes_{KL^F} M \\ &= \text{Ind}_{P^F}^{G^F} \tilde{M} \end{aligned}$$

$\cong V^F$  acts trivially

$$\begin{aligned} {}^*R_{LCP}^G : KG^F\text{-mod} &\longrightarrow KL^F\text{-mod} \\ M &\longmapsto K[V^F/G^F] \otimes_{KG^F} M \\ &= M^{V^F}. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 7.1 (transitivity). Let  $P'$  be an  $F$ -stable parabolic subgroup of  $L$  and let  $L'$  be an  $F$ -stable Levi complement. We set  $V' = R_u(P')$ .

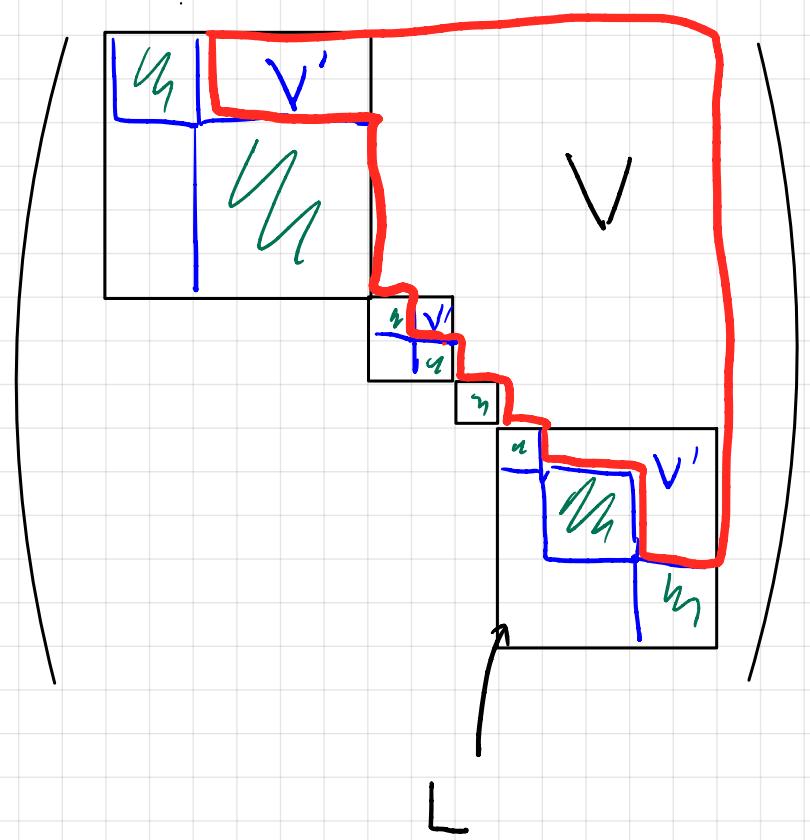
(a)  $P' \times V$  is an  $F$ -stable parabolic subgroup of  $G$  with Levi complement  $L'$  and unipotent radical  $V'V$ .

$$(b) R_{LCP}^G \circ R_{L'CP'}^L = R_{L'CP'V}^G$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } K[G^F/V^F] \otimes_{KL^F} K[L^F/V^F] &\simeq K[G^F/V^F/V^F] \\ gV^F \otimes lV'^F &\mapsto glV'^FV^F. \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Example.  $G = GL_n(\mathbb{F})$



$$L' = \text{[red wavy line]}$$

$$V'V = \text{[red stepped path]}$$