

Prop 5 :  $\phi$  : Drinfeld  $A$ -module /  $L$ ,  $L = \bar{L}$  : alg closed field, 15.08.2022

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of rank  $r$  and height  $h$

(1) If  $0 \neq I \subset A$  is prime to  $\text{char}_A L$ , then  $\phi[I](L) \simeq (A/I)^r$ .

(2) Suppose  $p = \text{char}_A L$  is finite, Then  $\forall e \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\phi[p^e](L) \simeq (A/p^e)^{r-h}.$$

Pf: First,  $\phi(L) = L$  with  $A$ -module str. given by

$$a \cdot \ell = \phi_a(\ell) \quad \ell \in L, a \in A.$$

By definition  $\phi[I](L) = \phi(L)[I]$

$\because L = \bar{L}$ ,  $\forall a \neq 0 \in A$ ,  $\phi_a: L \rightarrow L$  : surjective.

$\Rightarrow \phi(L) : A$ -divisible.

By lemma : it suffices to show for  $I = p^e$ ,  $p$  : prime ideal.

and that  $\exists e \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t

$$\phi(L)[p^e] \simeq (A/p^e)^r \quad \text{if } p \neq \text{char}_A L.$$

$$\phi(L)[p^e] \simeq (A/p^e)^{r-h} \quad \text{if } p = \text{char}_A L.$$

(so that the above holds for **ALL**  $e \geq 1$ )

Let  $e \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t  $p^e = (a)$ ,  $a \in A$ .  $\deg(a) = e \cdot \deg(p)$

$$\deg \phi_a = r \cdot \deg(a) = r \cdot e \cdot \deg(p), \quad |A/p^e| = q^{e \cdot \deg(p)}$$

(1) If  $p \neq \text{char}_A L$ , then  $|\phi(L)[p^e]| = q^{r \cdot \deg(a)} = q^{r \cdot e \cdot \deg(p)}$

$$\phi[p^e](L) \simeq (A/p^e)^r.$$

(2) If  $p = \text{char}_A L = v$ ,  $\phi_a(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{w(\phi_a)} a_i z^{i \cdot \deg(a)}$  (13)

$$|\phi[a](L)| = q^{r \cdot \deg(a) - w(\phi_a)} = q^{e \cdot \deg(v) (r-h)}$$

$$r \cdot \deg(a) = r \cdot e \cdot \deg(v)$$

$$w(\phi_a) = h \cdot v(a) \deg(v) = h \cdot e \cdot \deg(v)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi[a](L) \simeq (A/a)^{r-h}, \quad (a) = p^e$$

### Isogenies :

Def : A morphism  $f: \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2$  of Drinfeld  $A$ -module /  $L$  is called an isogeny if  $f \neq 0$ .

Prop 6 : Isogenous Drinfeld modules have the same rank and height.

Pf :  $f \neq 0, \in \text{Hom}(\phi_1, \phi_2), \quad f \circ \phi_{1,a} = \phi_{2,a} \circ f$ .

$$\Rightarrow \deg(\phi_{2,a}) + \deg(f) = \deg(f) + \deg(\phi_{1,a})$$

$$\Rightarrow \deg(\phi_{i,a}) = r_i \cdot \deg(a) \Rightarrow r_1 = r_2$$

Similarly  $h_1 = h_2$ .

## (II) Families of Drinfeld modules.

$k$ : any commutative ring of char  $p$ .  $\text{End}(G_{a,k}) = k\{\tau\}$ ,  $\tau(z) = z^p$ .

$$\text{Aut}(G_{a,k}) \cong k\{\tau\}^\times.$$

$$k\{\tau_q\} \quad \tau_q(z) = z^q.$$

Lemma 1: An element  $\sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i \tau^i \in k\{\tau\}$  is invertible

$\Leftrightarrow \alpha_0 \in k^\times$  and  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  nilpotent.

Pf: Exercise.

Lemma 2:  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\varphi = \sum \alpha_n \tau^n$ ,  $\psi = \sum \beta_n \tau^n \in k\{\tau\}$ .

st  $\alpha_d, \beta_0 \in k^\times$  and  $\alpha_n$  ( $n > d$ ) and  $\beta_n$  ( $n > 0$ ) are nilpotent.

$$\text{Set } \psi \circ \varphi \circ \psi^{-1} = \sum \delta_n \tau^n$$

Then (i)  $\delta_d \in k^\times$  and for  $n > d$ ,  $\delta_n$  is nilpotent

(ii)  $\exists! \psi$  st  $\beta_0 = 1$  and  $\delta_n = 0 \quad \forall n > d$ .

Pf: (i) Write  $\psi^{-1} = \sum \gamma_n \tau^n$  so  $\gamma_0 \in k^\times$ ,  $\gamma_n$  nilpotent  $\forall n > 0$ .

$$\text{Then } \delta_n = \sum_{i+j+k=n} \beta_j \alpha_i^{p^j} \gamma_k^{p^{i+j}}$$

$\beta_j \cdot \alpha_i^{p^j} \cdot \gamma_k^{p^{i+j}}$ : nilpotent if  $j > 0$ ,  $i > d$ ,  $k > 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  For  $n > d$ ,  $\delta_n$  nilpotent

$$n=d, \quad \delta_d = \underbrace{\beta_0 \alpha_d \gamma_0^{p^d}}_{\text{unit}} + \sum_{\substack{j>0 \\ \text{or } k>0 \text{ (} i < d \text{)}}} \beta_j \alpha_i^{p^j} \gamma_k^{p^{i+j}} \Rightarrow \delta_d \text{ invertible.}$$

unit                      nilpotent

(ii) Existence:  $I = (\alpha_n : n > d) : \text{nilpotent ideal of } A.$

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$\exists s$  st  $I^s = 0$ . First, we may assume  $I^2 = 0$ .

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \exists \psi_1, \quad \psi_1 = \psi_1 \cdot \varphi \cdot \psi_1^{-1} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^d \delta_n^{(1)} \tau^n \pmod{I^2} \\ \exists \psi_2, \quad \psi_2 = \psi_2 \cdot \varphi_1 \cdot \psi_2^{-1} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^d \delta_n^{(2)} \tau^n \pmod{I^4} \\ \vdots \\ \psi_r = \psi_r \cdot \varphi_{r-1} \cdot \psi_r^{-1} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^d \delta_n^{(r)} \tau^n \pmod{I^{2^r} = 0} \end{array} \right) \quad \left( \frac{\bar{I}}{k/I^2}, \frac{I/I^2}{I/I^2} \right)$$

$$\varphi = \sum_{i=0}^N \alpha_i \tau^i, \quad N > d, \quad \exists \psi, \quad \psi \cdot \varphi \cdot \psi^{-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \alpha'_i \tau^i$$

$$\text{Take } \psi = (1 - \beta \tau^{N-d}), \quad \beta^2 = 0, \quad \psi^{-1} = (1 + \beta \tau^{N-d})$$

$$\psi \varphi \psi^{-1} = (1 - \beta \tau^{N-d}) (\alpha_0 + \alpha_d \tau^d + \dots + \alpha_N \tau^N) (1 + \beta \tau^{N-d})$$

$$= (\alpha_0 + \alpha_d \tau^d + \dots + \alpha_N \tau^N + \beta \cdot \alpha_d^{p^{N-d}} \tau^N) (1 + \beta \tau^{N-d}), \quad \tau \beta = 0$$

$$= (\dots + (\alpha_N + \beta \alpha_d^{p^{N-d}}) \tau^N). \quad \text{put } \beta = -\alpha_N / \alpha_d^{p^{N-d}}.$$

( $\beta^2 = 0$ )

Uniqueness: Suffices to show if

$$\varphi = \sum_{i=0}^d \alpha_i \tau^i, \quad \psi \varphi \psi^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^d \delta_n \tau^n, \quad \text{then } \psi = 1.$$

$$\left( \sum_{j=0}^N \beta_j \tau^j \right) \left( \sum_{i=0}^d \alpha_i \tau^i \right) = \left( \sum_{n=0}^d \delta_n \tau^n \right) \left( \sum_{j=0}^N \beta_j \tau^j \right)$$

$$\tau^{N+d}: \quad \beta_N \alpha_d^{p^N} = \delta_d \cdot \beta_N^{p^d}$$

$$\beta_N = \alpha \cdot \beta_N^{p^d} = \dots = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi = 1.$$

## Families of Drinfeld modules

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$S$ : base scheme of char  $p$ , i.e.  $S \rightarrow \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{F}_p$ .

$d \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Def: (I) A Drinfeld  $A$ -module of rank  $d/S$  is a pair  $(E, \varphi)$ ,

where  $E$ : commutative group scheme  $/S$ , and

$\varphi: A \rightarrow \operatorname{End}_{\operatorname{gp}}(E)$ : ring homomorphism s.t

(i)  $\forall x \in S \exists$  affine open subset  $U \ni x$  and an isom

$\psi: E|_U \xrightarrow{\sim} G_{a,U}$  of gp schemes  $/U$ .

(ii) If  $U = \operatorname{Spec} k \subset S$  open affine subscheme and  $\psi$ : isom as above.

then  $\forall a \neq 0 \in A$ , let

$$\psi \circ \varphi(a) \circ \psi^{-1} = \sum d_n(a) \tau^n \in k\{\tau\}.$$

the following are satisfied:

- $d_n(a) \in k^\times$  for  $n = d \cdot \deg(a)$
- $d_n(a)$ : nilpotent for  $n > d \cdot \deg(a)$ .

Two Drinfeld  $A$ -modules  $(E_1, \varphi_1), (E_2, \varphi_2)$  are **isomorphic**

if  $\exists \alpha: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  isom of gp schemes which is compatible with the actions of  $A$ .

(2)  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ . let  $\mathbb{A}_S^r$  denote the scheme of  $\mathcal{O}_S$ -modules def'd by  
 $\forall T \rightarrow S \quad \mathbb{A}_S^r(T) = \Gamma(T, \mathcal{O}_T)^r$  free  $\Gamma(T, \mathcal{O}_T)$ -module of rank  $r$ .  
 called the **trivial vector bundle of rank  $r$** .

A **vector bundle of rank  $r$**  is a scheme of  $\mathcal{O}_S$ -modules  
 s.t.  $\forall x \in S, \exists$  affine open subset  $U \ni x$  and an isom  
 $\psi: E_U \simeq \mathbb{A}_U^r$  of schemes of  $\mathcal{O}_U$ -modules.

If  $r=1$ , then  $E$  is called a (geom) **line bundle** over  $S$ .

(3) A **standard Drinfeld  $A$ -module of rank  $d$  /  $S$**  is a pair  $(E, \varphi)$

where  $E$ : line bundle over  $S$ , and

$\varphi: A \rightarrow \text{End}_{\text{gp}}(E)$  ring homo. satisfying

$$\forall a \neq 0 \in A, \quad \varphi(a) = \sum_{n=0}^{d \cdot \deg(a)} \alpha_n(a) \tau^n$$

where  $\tau^n: E \rightarrow E^{\otimes P^n}$   $n^{\text{th}}$  power of Frobenius morphism.  
 $S \mapsto S^{P^n}$

$$\alpha_n(a) \in H^0(S, E^{\otimes (1-P^n)}) \quad E \xrightarrow{\tau^n} E^{\otimes P^n} \xrightarrow{\alpha_n(a)} E$$

$$H^0(S, \mathcal{O}_S)$$

$$E \simeq \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq \mathbb{G}_a$$

s.t.  $\alpha_{d \cdot \deg(a)}(a)$ : never vanishing on  $S \quad \forall a \neq 0 \in A$

$$(\alpha_n(a) = 0 \quad \forall n > d \cdot \deg(a))$$

Every standard Drinfeld  $A$ -module  $/S \rightarrow \text{Drinfeld } A\text{-modules}/S$  by forgetting the  $\mathcal{O}_S$ -module structure. (18)

Prop 3: Every Drinfeld  $A$ -module  $/S$  is isomorphic to (one arising from) a standard Drinfeld  $A$ -module  $/S$  of the same rank.

Pf: This can be proved using Lemma 2, skip details.

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{Standard Drinfeld} \\ A\text{-modules of rank} \\ d/S \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[\text{fully faithful}]{\text{nat}} \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{Drinfeld } A\text{-modules} \\ \text{of rank } d/S \end{array} \right)$$

Prop 3: the essential image of this functor = everything.

$\Rightarrow$  they are equivalence of categories.

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$(E, \varphi)$ : Drinfeld  $A$ -module  $/S$ . Then the derivative

$$\partial: \text{End}_{\text{gp}}(E) \rightarrow H^0(S, \mathcal{O}_S) \text{ ring homo.}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} f: E \rightarrow E, \quad df: \text{Lie}(E) \rightarrow \text{Lie}(E), \quad \text{Lie}(E) \text{ loc. free} \\ \mathcal{O}_S \rightarrow \text{Lie}(E) \otimes \text{Lie}(E)^\vee \quad \text{rank 1} \\ df \in H^0(S, \mathcal{O}_S), \quad \partial: f \mapsto df \end{array} \right)$$

The characteristic of  $(E, \varphi)$  is the ring homo

$$\partial \circ \varphi: A \rightarrow \text{End}_{\text{gp}}(E) \xrightarrow{\partial} H^0(S, \mathcal{O}_S)$$

$$\text{or } \text{Spec}(\partial \circ \varphi): S \rightarrow \text{Spec } A.$$

Note:  $X$ : scheme,  $A$ : commutative ring. There is a canonical isom (19)

$$\text{Hom}(X, \text{Spec } A) \simeq \text{Hom}(A, \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X))$$

$$f \longmapsto f^\# \text{ the pull-back operator}$$

$$a \longmapsto f^* a$$

## Étale morphisms (Milne: Étale cohomology).

We choose

Settings: (a)  $X$ : locally Noetherian scheme,

$f: Y \rightarrow X$  morphism locally of finite type.

(b)  $X$ : any scheme,  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  morphism locally of finite presentation.

Def:  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  morphism of schemes, loc. of finite type.

$y \in Y$ ,  $x = f(y) \in X$ .

(1)  $f$  is said to be unramified at  $y$  if (i)  $m_x \mathcal{O}_{Y,y} = m_y$ .

(ii)  $k(y)$  is a finite separable extn of  $k(x)$ .

(2) If  $f$  is unramified at all  $y \in Y$ , then  $f$  is called unramified.

(3)  $f$  is said to be étale at  $y$  if  $f$  is flat & unramified at  $y$ .

(4) If  $f$  is étale at all  $y \in Y$ , then  $f$  is called étale.

$f: Y \rightarrow X$  morphism of schemes, loc. of f.t. Assume  $f$  is separated, i.e.

$$\Delta: Y \rightarrow Y \times_X Y \text{ closed immersion, } Y \xrightarrow[\sim]{\Delta} \Delta(Y).$$

$\mathcal{I}_Y$  = sheaf of ideals of  $Y \times_X Y$  defining  $\Delta(Y)$ .

Define  $\Omega'_{Y/X} := \Delta^*(\mathcal{I}_Y/\mathcal{I}_Y^2)$ , the sheaf of Kähler differentials.

Prop 4:  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  as above, TFAE:

- (a)  $f$  is unramified,
- (b)  $\Omega'_{Y/X} = 0$ ,
- (c)  $\Delta: Y \rightarrow Y \times_X Y$  open immersion.

Level structure:

$I \neq 0 \subset A$  ideal  $(E, \varphi)$ : Drinfeld  $A$ -module of rank  $d/s$ .

$V(I) \subset X \setminus \{\infty\} = \text{Spec } A$ : closed subscheme def'd by  $I$

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 $\text{Spec } A/I$ ...  $\Theta: S \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  char of  $(E, S)$ .

The  $I$ -torsion subgroup scheme of  $(E, \varphi)$  is the subscheme of  $E$ :

$$E_I = \bigcap_{a \in I} (\ker \varphi(a): E \rightarrow E)$$

Clearly  $E_I$ : sub  $A$ -module of  $E$ ,

If  $I = I_1 \cdot I_2$ ,  $I_1 + I_2 = A$ ,  $A/I = A/I_1 \times A/I_2$  &  $E_I = E_{I_1} \times_S E_{I_2}$ .

Prop 5: Assume that  $\Theta: S \rightarrow \text{Spec } A \setminus V(I) = \text{Spec } A[\bar{I}]$ . Then (21)

$\bar{E}_I$  is locally constant with value isomorphic to  $(A/I)^d$

for the étale topology on  $S$ .

Pf: Need to show  $\forall s \in S \quad \exists$  connected étale nbd  $U$  of  $s$ .

$$\text{s.t. } \bar{E}_I(U) \simeq (A/I)^d.$$

First, choose  $J \neq 0 \subseteq A$  ideal s.t. (i)  $\Theta(s) \notin V(J)$ , (ii)  $I \cdot J = (a)$

$$(ii) \quad I + J = A.$$

To do this, first choose  $J$  s.t.  $I \cdot J = (a)$

use weak approximation  $\exists b \in F^\times$  s.t.  $J \cdot b$  prime to  $\Theta(s)$  &  $I$   
replace  $J$  by  $J \cdot b$ .

So  $\Theta(a) \notin V(a)$ . Suppose the prop holds for  $I = (a)$  (\*)

Then  $\exists$  conn. étale nbd  $U$  of  $s$  s.t.

$$\bar{E}_a(U) \simeq (A/a)^d = (A/I)^d \times (A/J)^d.$$

On the other hand,  $\bar{E}_{I \cdot J}(U) = \bar{E}_I(U) \times \bar{E}_J(U)$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{E}_I(U) \simeq (A/I)^d.$$

To prove (\*), We may assume  $S = \text{Spec } R$ ,  $\Theta: A[\bar{a}] \rightarrow R$ ,  $\Theta(a) \in R^\times$

$$\varphi(a)[z] = \Theta(a)z + a_1 z^q + \dots + a_r z^{q^r} \quad \text{étale polynomial.}$$

$E_a$ : finite étale cover of  $S$  of constant rank  $q^{d \cdot \deg(a)}$  (22)

$$E_a = \quad \quad \quad q^{d \cdot \deg(a^2) = d \cdot \deg(a) \cdot 2}$$

$$M = E_{a^2}(U), \quad M_a = E_a(U) \simeq (A/a)^r$$

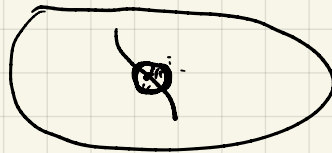
Lemma 6:  $M$ : finite  $A/a^2$ -module,  $M_a = \ker(a: M \rightarrow M)$ .

Then (i)  $\# M \leq (\# M_a)^2$

(ii) " $=$ " in (i) holds  $\Leftrightarrow M$ : free  $A/a^2$ -module of finite rank.

$$(\Rightarrow M_a = (A/a)^r)$$

Pf: Exercise.



$$1 \leq h \leq d$$

$$S = \bigcup_{1 \leq h \leq r} S^{(h)}$$