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PD + DL

G_0 / \mathbb{F}_q . Let $F = \bar{\mathbb{F}}_q$, and $G = G_0 \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_q} F$.

Two classes of varieties / \mathbb{F} :

(1) DL-varieties (DL, 1976): X = variety of Borel's over \mathbb{F}
 $w \in W$ \rightsquigarrow

$$X(w) = X_{G_0}(w) = \{x \in X \mid \text{inv}(x, Fx) = w\}.$$

(F = Frobenius over \mathbb{F}_q). Then

$X(w)$ smooth quasi-projective var. of dimension $l(w)$,

$G_0(\mathbb{F}_q)$ acts. If $F^e(w) = w$, then $X(w)$ defined over \mathbb{F}_{q^e} .

(2) PD (Faltings, RZ, 1993):

N = conj.-class of 1-ps of G . Let $X(N) = G/P$, smooth proj. var.

$X(N)^{\text{ss}} = X_{G_0}(N)^{\text{ss}}$ = open subset of semi-stable points:

explanation: $v \in N \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{F}_v$ \mathbb{Z} -filtr. on $\text{Lie}(G_0) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_q} F$.

\mathcal{F}_v semi-stable $\Leftrightarrow \forall U \subset \text{Lie}(G_0)$ \mathbb{F}_q -subspace, have

$$\frac{\deg(\mathcal{F}_v|U)}{\dim U} \leq 0 = \frac{\deg(\mathcal{F}_v)}{\dim \text{Lie } G_0}.$$

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Examples: a) Drinfeld space: $G_0 = \mathrm{GL}_n$.

- $w = s_1 \dots s_{n-1} = (12 \dots n)$. Then

$$X(w) = \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n = \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^{n-1} \cup H_{\mathbb{F}_q}$$

- $N = (x, y^{(n-1)}) \in (\mathbb{Z})_+^n$, where $x > y$. Then $X(N) = \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n$.

Similar for (x, y) : dual proj. space.

- b) $G_0 = \mathrm{GL}_3$ generic data.

- $w = w_0$. Then

$$X(w_0) = \{ V_1 \subset V_2 \subset V = \mathbb{F}^3 \mid FV_1 + V_2 = V, FV_2 + V_1 = V \}$$

- $N = (x_1 > x_2 > x_3)$. Then

$$X(N) = \{ \quad | \quad \begin{array}{l} x_1 - x_2 > x_2 - x_3: V_1 + FV_1 + F^2V_1 = V \\ x_1 - x_2 < x_2 - x_3: V_2 \cap FV_2 \cap F^2V_2 = 0 \end{array} \}$$

$$x_1 - x_2 = x_2 - x_3: V_1 \cap FV_1 = 0, V_2 \cap FV_2 = V$$

Motivation for these varieties:

- DL: construct $G_0(\mathbb{F}_q)$ -equiv. Galois cov. $X(w) \rightarrow X(w)$, with Galois group $T_w(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Consider $\theta: T_w(\mathbb{F}_q) \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times \hookrightarrow \mathbb{F}_p$ on $X(w)$. Interacting reps. of $G_0(\mathbb{F}_q)$ on $H^*(X(w), \mathbb{F}_p)$.
- PD: toy models for their p-adic big cousins.

We know surprisingly little about these varieties (\mathbf{G}_0 , π_1 , etc.). My talk concerns the progress in the last year. May always assume \mathbf{G}_0 adjoint, simple.

1. DL: Proposition (Lusztig, Bonnaffé/Rouquier): $X(w)$ connected iff w elliptic.

Theorem (DL, Haastert): For simplicity assume even that \mathbf{G}_0

is absolutely simple. a) If $q \geq h(-1)$, then $X(w)$ is affine.

b) $X(w)$ is always quasi-affine.

Comments: DL-crit.: Let $D(\mathbf{G}, w) = \{x \in X_w(\mathbb{F}_q) \mid \alpha(x) > 0, \forall \alpha > 0 \text{ with } w(\alpha) < 0\}$.
 $\exists x \in D(\mathbf{G}, w) \text{ s.t. } F(x) - w(x) \in G'$.

Theorem (OR, He, Bonnaffé/Rouquier 07): Same assumptions. If

w is of minimal length in its F -conjugacy class, then

$X(w)$ is affine.

→ Comments: OR for split classical gps: list, check DL-crit., He for running cones (computer), BR:

Example: Let \mathbf{G}_0 be split of type G_2 . Then $X(w)$ is always

affine, except when $q = 2$ and $w = s_1 s_2 s_1$ or $w = s_2 s_1 s_2$.

I suspect that in the last two cases $X(w)$ not affine!

The previous theorem can be used to prove the following vanishing theorem.

Theorem (OR 07): Let $\theta : T_w(\mathbb{F}_q) \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_e^\times$ with corresponding lisse sheaf \mathcal{F}_θ on $X(w)$. Then

$$H_c^i(X/\omega, \mathbb{F}_\theta) = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i < l/\omega.$$

\rightarrow DL If furthermore θ is non-singular (i.e. $\text{Stab}_N(\theta)$ trivial).

then $H_c^i(X/\omega, \mathbb{F}_\theta) = 0 \quad \text{for } i \neq l/\omega.$ + Poincaré

Comments: • Last statement follows from first, because $H_c^i(\mathbb{F}_\theta) \cong H^i(\mathbb{F}_\theta)$ if θ non-sing. (DL)

• For $q \geq h$, this is in original paper of DL.

Last statement is due to Haubert (86). First statement for

$\theta = \text{trivial}$ is due to Digne / Michel / Rouquier (07).

Proof:

2. PD: Here the cohomology has been determined completely by Orlik.
only involves $\text{Ind}_{\mathbb{F}_p}^{\mathbb{F}_q} 1.$

Complicated formulae! An important consequence is

Theorem (Orlik 01): Let $r_0 = \text{rk}_{\mathbb{F}_q}(G_0)$. If N is non-trivial

(i.e. $X(N) \neq \emptyset$), then

$$H_c^i(X/\omega, \mathbb{Q}_\ell) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq i < r_0 \\ \text{St}_{G_0} & \text{for } i = r_0. \end{cases}$$

Comparison between rk and $\dim G/P$ gives.

Corollary: Same assumptions. Let N be non-trivial. Then

$X(N)^{**}$ is never affine, unless $G_0 = \text{PGL}_n$ and $N = (x, y^{(n-1)})$

or $N = (x^{(n-1)}, y)$, in which case $X(N)^{**} \cong \mathbb{Q}_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n$.

Orlik has also recently "determined" π_1 .

Theorem (Orlik 07): Same assumptions. We have

$$\pi_1(X(N)^{ss}) = \langle 1 \rangle,$$

unless $G_0 = \mathrm{PGL}_n$, and $N = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in (\mathbb{Z}^n)_+$ with $\sum x_i = 0$

and either $x_2 < 0$ or $x_{n-1} > 0$. In this last case

$$\pi_1(X(N)^{ss}) = \pi_1(\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n).$$

In all other cases $\mathrm{codim} \text{Conept} \geq 2$.

Comments: What is RHS? Part of problem $\pi_1(DL) = ?$

(3) $DL \leftrightarrow PD$ Comparison of vanishing of DL and non-vanishing for PD gives.

Proposition (OR 07) Same assumptions. A DL-variety $X_{G_0}(w)$

is never homeomorphic to a PD $X_{G_0}(N)^{ss}$, unless

$G_0 = \mathrm{PGL}_n$, $w = \text{Coxeter element}$, and $N = (x, y^{(n-1)})$ or $(x^{(n-1)}, y)$,

in which case both are Univ. homeomorphic to $\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n$.

So, even though these varieties look quite similar at first

glance, they are radically different!

Example: Let $x_2 < 0$. Then

$$X(N)^{ss} = \{ V_i \mid V_i \text{ not contained in } \mathbb{F}_q\text{-rat. hyperplane} \}$$

Hence $X(N) \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ induces iso

$$X(N)^{ss} = \pi^{-1}(\Omega_{\mathbb{F}_q}^n), \quad \text{fibers are flag var. (slightly connected)}$$