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## The building for $SL_n$ over a field with discrete valuation.

Let  $R$  be a discrete valuation ring with quotient field  $F$  and residue field  $R/\pi R$ . Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$  of dimension  $n$ .

By an  $R$ -lattice in  $V$  we shall mean an  $R$ -submodule which is free of rank  $n$ .

Using lattices we shall define two simplicial complexes  $X, X'$  associated to  $V$ .  $X'$  is the simplicial complex whose vertices are the  $R$ -lattices in  $V$  and in which a simplex is a chain of lattices  $L_0 < L_1 < \dots < L_g$  such that  $\pi L_g \subset L_0$ . Note that if a lattice  $L$  is fixed, then the lattices  $L'$  such that  $\pi L \subset L' \subset L$  are in 1-1 correspondence with subspaces of the  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $L/\pi L$  over the residue field  $R/\pi R$ . Consequently  $L_0 < L_1 < \dots < L_g$  is a simplex of maximum dimension in  $X'$  iff  $L_0 = \pi L_g$ , ~~and~~  $L_i/L_{i-1}$  is one-dimensional over  $R/\pi R$ , and  $g=n$ . Thus  $\dim(X) = n$  and every simplex is contained in a  $n$ -simplex.

By the homothety class of a lattice  $L$  we mean the chain  $d(L) = \{\pi^j L, j \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .  $X$  is the simplicial complex whose vertices are the homothety classes of lattices, and in which a set of vertices is a simplex iff the union of these homothety classes is a chain. Thus a

Simplex of  $X$  may be viewed as a chain of lattices closed under multiplying by  $\pi, \pi^{-1}$ . If the chain is enumerated:  $\sigma = \{L_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , starting with some lattice  $L_0$  in  $\sigma$ , and putting  $L_j = \text{least member of } \sigma \text{ containing } L_{j-1}$ , then  $\pi L_j = L_{j-k}$  for some  $k$ , and  $\sigma$  is a  $(k-1)$ -simplex with the vertices  $\text{cl}(L_0), \dots, \text{cl}(L_{k-1})$ . A simplex of maximal dimension is one such that  $\dim(L_i / \bigcap_{i=1}^{i-1} L_i) = 1$ , ~~and so its~~ ~~simplices will not be called chambers~~ and the dimension of such a simplex is  $n-1$ , hence  $\dim(X) = n-1$ . The  $(n-1)$ -simplices of  $X$  will be called chambers. Every simplex is the face of some chambers.

~~There is an evident simplicial map from  $X'$  to  $X$ .~~ We can lift  $X$  back to a subcomplex of  $X'$  ~~as follows~~ as follows. Given  $0 \neq w \in V$ , it is clear that each homothety class ~~of lattices~~ contains a unique lattice  $L$  such that  $L \cap Fw = R_w$ . The subcomplex of  $X'$  made up of such lattices  $L$  ~~maps~~ maps isomorphically onto  $X$ . Another method is to ~~fix~~ a lattice  $R_w$  in  $\Lambda^n V$  and define the volume of any lattice  $L$  to be the integer  $v(L)$  such that  $\Lambda^n L = \pi^{v(L)} R_w$ . Any homothety class of lattices contains a unique  $L$  with  $0 < v(L) \leq n$ , ~~and~~ and the subcomplex of  $X'$  made up

of these lattices ~~maps~~ maps isomorphically onto  $X$ .

The complex  $X$  is the building for  $\mathrm{SL}_n$  over  $F$  in the sense of Bruhat+Tits.  $X'$  is in some sense the building for  $\mathrm{GL}_n$  over  $F$  (compare ...)

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### Apartments:

Suppose now that  $V = F^n$ , the ~~set~~<sup>vector space</sup> of column vectors of length  $n$  over  $F$ , and let  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  be the standard basis. Call a lattice special if it of the form  $L = \sum_{i=1}^n R \pi^{d_i} e_i$  with  $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The subcomplexes of  $X'$  and  $X$  made up of special lattices will be denoted  $A'$  and  $A$  ~~apartments~~ and called the fundamental apartments of  $X'$  and  $X$  respectively.

~~Associated~~ We propose to determine the realizations of  $A'$  and  $A$ .  $A'$  may be identified with the complex whose vertices are elements of  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  and whose simplices are chains ~~of~~ ~~vector~~ for the product ordering in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  such that we identify a vertex of  $A'$  with a sequence of integers  $(m_j)_{j=1}^n$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$  by ~~this~~ ~~associate~~

We propose to determine the realizations of  $A'$  and  $A$ . Let  $D$  denote the simplicial complex ~~of~~ of dimension 1 having integers for vertices and consecutive integers for 1-simplices. Then  $D$  is a triangulation of  $R$ .

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We propose to determine the realizations of  $A'$  and  $A$ . Recall that an ordered simplicial complex is one equipped with ~~an order~~ a partial ordering on its vertex such that each simplex is linearly ordered. The product  $K_1 \times K_2$  of two ordered simplicial complexes is naturally an ordered simplicial complex such that  $|K_1 \times K_2| = |K_1| \times |K_2|$  for the compactly generated topology. Let  $D$  be the ordered simplicial complex ~~having~~ of dimension one having integers with the usual ordering for vertices and consecutive integers for 1-simplices. Then  $|D| = \mathbb{R}$ . The product  $D^n$  has  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  for vertices and a simplex is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  of the form  $\{v_0, \dots, v_n\}$  where

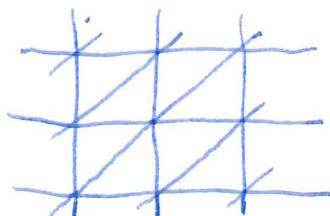
$$v_{0i} \leq v_{1i} \leq \dots \leq v_{ni} \leq v_{0i} + 1$$

for  $i=1, \dots, n$ .

By associating to  $(d_1, \dots, d_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  the lattice  $\sum R_{ii}^{-d_i} e_i$  it is easily seen that we obtain an isom. of  $D^n$  with  $A'$ . Thus

$$|A'| = |D^n| = \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Picture of  $A'$  when  $n=2$ :



Note that each vertex in  $A$ , i.e. homothety class of <sup>special</sup> lattices, contains a unique lattice of the form  $\sum R\pi^{-d_i}e_i$  where  $d_n=0$ , so ~~that~~ that  $A$  is isomorphic to the subcomplex of  $A'$  made up out of lattices with  $L_n F_n = R e_n$ . Thus we get an isom. of  $D^{n-1}$  with  $A$  by associating to  $(d_1, \dots, d_{n-1})$   ~~$\text{cl}(\sum R\pi^{-d_i}e_i)$~~ , where  $d_n=0$ . So

$$|A| \cong \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$$

It is customary to identify  $|A|$  with the space  $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \sum x_i = 0\}$  as follows. One sends the vertex  $\text{cl}(\sum R\pi^{-d_i}e_i)$  to the point  $(d_1, \dots, d_n) - (\frac{1}{n} \sum d_i)(1, \dots, 1)$  of  $E$  and extends linearly over simplices to get a map  $|A| \rightarrow E$ . This map is ~~assumed~~ a homeom. because its composition with the homeo above is the <sup>isom.</sup>  $(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) \mapsto (x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, 0) - (\frac{1}{n} \sum x_i)(1, \dots, 1)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  with  $E$ . This picture has the advantage of being ~~not~~ compatible with the action of  $\Sigma_n$  ~~preserving~~ permuting coordinates.

Note:  $\bullet$   $L$  special  $\Leftrightarrow L = \sum L_n F_e$ . In general ~~given~~ given a splitting  $V = W_1 \oplus \dots \oplus W_n$  of  $V$  into 1-dimensional spaces, we get apartments in  $X/X$  made up of lattices  $L \ni L = \sum L_n W_i$ .

B-orbits

Suppose  $V = F^n$  with basis  ~~$e_1, \dots, e_n$~~   $e_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . We identify automorphisms  $g$  of  $V$  with invertible matrices  $(g_{ij}) \in GL_n(F)$  by the formula

$$g e_i = \sum g_{ji} e_j$$

~~Define lattices  $V_p$  for  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  by putting~~

~~$$V = R e_1 + \dots + R e_{i-1} + R \pi e_i + \dots + R \pi^{n-1} e_n$$~~

~~for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and setting  $V_p =$~~

Let  $V_i = R e_1 + \dots + R e_{i-1} + R \pi e_i + \dots + R \pi^{n-1} e_n$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and ~~express  $V_p$  as~~ set  $e_p = \pi^{-t} R_i$ ;  $V_p = \pi^{-t} V_i$  if  $p = i + tn$ . Then  $\{V_p\}$  is a chamber of  $X$  which we call the fundamental chamber;  $V_p/V_{p-1}$  is one-dimensional space over  $R/\pi R$  with basis  $e_p$ . The subgroup of  $SL_n(F)$  preserving the chain  $\{V_p\}$  will be denoted  $B$  and called the fundamental Iwahori subgroup of  $SL_n(F)$ . We have

$$B = \{g \in SL_n(R) \mid g_{ij} \in \pi R, i > j\}.$$

We propose now ~~to~~ to compute the  $B$ -orbits on  $X'$  and  $X$ .

Let  $\{L_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  be an increasing sequence of lattices such that  $\pi L_j = L_{j-k}$  for all  $j$ . Define a map  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  by

$$(*) \quad V_p \cap L_j + V_{p-1} = \begin{cases} V_{p-1} & j < \phi(p) \\ V_p & j \geq \phi(p). \end{cases}$$

Then  $\phi(p+n) = \phi(p+k)$  for all  $p$ , and the function  $\phi$  is an invariant of the  $B$ -orbit of the sequence  $L_j$ .

Lemma: Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be ~~a set of representatives for the  $\pi R$ -cosets in  $R$~~  a set of representatives for the  $\pi R$ -cosets in  $R$ . Then there exists a unique element  $x_p \in L_{\phi(p)}$  of the form

$$(**) \quad x_p = e_p + \sum_{\substack{a < p \\ \phi(a) > \phi(p)}} \mathbb{z}_{ap} e_a$$

with  $\mathbb{z}_{ap} \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Proof: By (\*) above can find  $y_p \in V_p \cap L_{\phi(p)}$  such that  $y_p - e_p \in V_{p-1}$ . ~~By induction on  $N$~~  By induction on  $N$  we can find  $\mathbb{z}_{ap} \in \mathbb{Z}$  for  $-N < a < p$  such that

$$y_p - e_p - \sum_{-N < a < p} \mathbb{z}_{ap} e_a \in V_{-N}.$$

Choose  $N$  large enough so that  $V_{-N} \subset L_{\phi(p)}$ , and let  $\mathbb{z}_a$  be largest such that  $\phi(\mathbb{z}_a) \leq \phi(p)$  and  $\mathbb{z}_a \neq 0$ . ~~Choosing~~ Then  $y_p - \mathbb{z}_a y_a$  is another choice for  $y_p$  ~~with the same coefficients in the places above~~ having same coefficients in the places above, but 0 coefficient at the

place at. Continuing we get an element  $x_p \in L_{\phi(p)}$   
of the form (\*\*). If  $x'_p$  is another element  
with the coefficients  $\mathbb{Z}_{ap}$ , let  $a$  be largest  
such that  $\mathbb{Z}_{ap} \neq \mathbb{Z}_{ap}$ . Then  $x'_p - x_p \in V_a$  but  
not  $V_{a-1}$ , so

$$V_a \cap L_{\phi(p)} \boxed{\quad} + V_{a-1} = V_a$$

contradicting the fact that  $\phi(a) > \phi(p)$ . This proves  
the uniqueness of the elements  $x_p$ .

In virtue of the uniqueness we have:

$$\pi x_p = x_{p-k}$$

and hence if  $g$  is the ~~endo.~~ endo. of  $V$   
with  $g e_i = x_i$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$ , then  $g(\phi_p) = x_p$   
for all  $p$ .

Now  $g(e_i) = \sum g_{ji} e_j$ , where from (\*\*) we  
have:

$$g_{ji} = \delta_{ji} + \sum_t g_{j-tn,i} \pi t$$

where ~~this case is taken~~  $t$  runs over integers  
such that  $j - tn < i$  and  $\alpha(j - tn) = \alpha(j) - tk > \alpha(i)$ ,  
that is

$$\frac{j-i}{n} < t < \frac{\alpha(j) - \alpha(i)}{k}$$

By virtue of the canonical isomorphisms

$$\frac{V_p \cap L_j + V_{p-1}}{V_p \cap L_{j-1} + V_{p-1}} \xleftarrow{\sim} \frac{V_p \cap L_j}{V_p \cap L_{j-1} + V_{p-1} \cap L_j} \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{V_p \cap L_j + L_{j-1}}{V_{p-1} \cap L_j + L_{j-1}}$$

and (\*), the filtration  $\boxed{V_p \cap L_j + L_{j-1}}$  of the layer  $L_{j-1} \subset L_j$  has 1-dimensional jumps generated by  $x_p$  for those  $p$  such that  $\phi(p) = j$ . Thus  $L_j/L_{j-1}$  has a basis over  $R/\pi R$  given by the images of  ~~$x_p$~~  the  $x_p$  with  $\phi(p) = j$ . Similarly,  $L_j/\pi L_j = L_j/L_{j-k}$  has the basis given by the  $x_p$  with  $j-k < \phi(p) \leq j$ . ~~As~~ As  $L_j$  is a free  $R$ -module, these  $x_p$  form a basis for  $L_j$  over  $R$ :

$$(1) \quad L_j = \bigoplus_{j-k < \phi(p) \leq j} R x_p.$$

By the uniqueness assertion in the lemma one has  $\pi x_p = x_{p-k}$ , hence if  $g$  is the endomorphism of  $V$  with  $g e_i = x_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then  $g e_p = x_p$  for all  $p$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $g(e_i) = \sum g_{ji} e_j$ , whence from (\*\*) we have

$$(2) \quad g_{ji} = \delta_{ji} + \sum_t \mathbb{Z}_{j-tn, i} \pi^t$$

where  $t$  runs over integers such that  $j-tn < i$  and  $\phi(j-tn) = \phi(j)-tk > \phi(i)$ , that is,

$$\frac{j-i}{n} < t < \frac{\phi(j)-\phi(i)}{k}.$$

Clearly  $g_{ji} = \delta_{ji}$  if  $\phi(j) \leq \phi(i)$ , hence  $\det(g) = 1$ , so  $g \in B$ .

We are now in a position to classify  $B$ -orbits on the set of increasing sequences of lattices  $L_j$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , such that  $\pi L_j = L_{j-k}$  for all  $j$ . Call this set  $S_k$ . To such a sequence we have associated a function  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\phi(p+n) = \phi(p) + k$  for all  $p$ , which depends only on the  $B$ -orbit of the sequence.

~~also~~ On the other hand, to each such  $\phi$  we can associate the sequence of special lattices:

$$(3) \quad L_j^\phi = \bigoplus_{j-k < \phi(p) \leq j} \text{Rep}_p.$$

It is easily checked that the function assoc. to  $(L_j^\phi)$  is  $\phi$ , hence we obtain a 1-1 correspondence between sequences in  $S_k$  made up of special lattices and the functions  $\phi$ . From the above formulas (1)-(3) we see that  $(L_j)$  is in the  $B$ -orbit of  $(L_j^\phi)$  if  $\phi$  is associated to  $(L_j)$ . Thus we have:

$$S_k^{\text{sp}} \xrightarrow{\sim} B \backslash S_k \xrightarrow{\sim} \{\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \mid \phi(p+n) = \phi(p) + k\}$$

where  $S_k^{\text{sp}} \subset S_k$  is the subset of "special" sequences.

~~My classmate says that~~

Let's now consider the  $B$ -orbit of  $(L_j^\phi)$ . From the lemma we have associated to a sequence  $(L_j)$  in this orbit a set of  $z_{ap} \in \mathbb{Z}$  for  ~~$a < p$~~   $a < p$  and  $\alpha(a) > \alpha(p)$  satisfying  $\sum_{a+n, p+n} z_{ap} = z_{ap}$ .

From the  $z_{ap}$  we can construct a  $g \in B$  (see (2)) such that  $g(L_j^\phi) = (L_j)$ . So I get a map

$$B(L_j^\phi) \rightarrow (\mathbb{Z})^{l(\phi)}, \quad l(\phi) = \text{card} \{(a, p) / \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq p \leq n \\ a < p, \phi(a) > \phi(p) \end{array}\}$$

$(L_j) \mapsto (z_{ap})$ ; and also a map the other way sending  $(z_{ap})$  to  ~~$g(L_j^\phi)$~~   $g(L_j^\phi)$ , where  $g$  is given by (2). It is clear from the preceding that these two maps are inverses of each other, so we get a bijection:

$$\boxed{B(L_j^\phi) \xrightarrow{\sim} (R/\pi R)^{l(\phi)}}.$$

Geometric interpretation of  $l(\phi)$ : According to the calculation made at the bottom of page 9,  $l(\phi)$  is the sum over pairs  $(i, j)$  such that  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$  of the number of integers  $t$  such that

$$\frac{j-i}{n} < t < \frac{\phi(j) - \phi(i)}{k}$$

This is the same as the sum over  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  of the number of integers strictly between  $\frac{j-i}{n}$  and  $\frac{\phi(j) - \phi(i)}{k}$ , so we have the following

Assertion:  $l(\phi)$  is the number of hyperplanes in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of the form  $x_i - x_j = t$  with  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  and  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  which are crossed in going along the straight line joining  $(-\frac{1}{n}, \dots, -\frac{n}{n})$  and  $(-\frac{\phi(1)}{k}, \dots, -\frac{\phi(n)}{k})$ .

If  $p = i + tn$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , satisfies  $j - k < \phi(p) \leq j$ , then  $(j - \phi(i))/k - 1 < t \leq (j - \phi(i))/k$ , so

$$t = [j - \phi(i)/k]$$

where  $[x] = \text{greatest integer } \leq x$ . Hence (3) page 10 can be written

$$L_j^\phi = \sum_{i=1}^n R \pi^{-[j - \phi(i)/k]} e_i.$$

Under

~~the identification of special lattices with~~ integral points of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the lattice  $L_j^\phi$  corresponds to the sequence  $i \mapsto [j - \phi(i)/k]$ . Now we have the

identity

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} [j - \phi(i)/k] = -\phi(i)$$

hence the point  $(-\frac{\phi(1)}{k}, \dots, -\frac{\phi(n)}{k})$  is the average of the integral points of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  corresponding to the lattices  $L_0^\phi, \dots, L_{k-1}^\phi$ . This is an interior point of the simplex in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (for the triangulation  $\mathbb{R}^n = |D^n| = |A'|$ ) having these lattices for vertices.

Next note that the function  $x_i - x_j$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  maps any simplex to a simplex, so ~~the number of hyperplanes crossed in going along the line joining two points  $\xi, \eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the same as for  $\xi', \eta'$  where  $\xi'$  is another point with the same support at  $\xi$  (meaning  $\xi, \xi'$  are interior points of the same simplex).~~ Consequently the point  $(-\frac{\phi(1)}{k}, \dots, -\frac{\phi(n)}{k})$  can be replaced by any point with the same support in so far as computing  $l(\phi)$ .

Next note that the ~~to~~ functions  $x_i - x_j$  are defined on  $\mathbb{R}^n / R\delta$  where  $\delta = (1, \dots, 1)$ , where I recall  $|A| \cong \mathbb{R}^n / R\delta$ , this homeom. being induced by sending a special lattice  $L = \sum R\pi^{-d} e_i$  to the class

of  $(d_1, \dots, d_n) \bmod R\mathbb{D}$ . So we get the following:

Assertion: Given the sequence  $(L_j^\phi)$  of special lattices assoc. to  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\phi(p+n) = \phi(p) + k$ . Then the dimension  $l(\phi)$  of the  $B$ -orbit of this sequence can be computed as follows. ~~Choose any interior point~~ in the simplex in  $|A| = \mathbb{R}^n / R\mathbb{Z}$ , with vertices  $c(L_j^\phi)$ . Then  $l(\phi)$  is ~~crosses~~ the number of hyperplanes of the form  $x_i - x_j = t$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  crossed in going along the straight line joining  $\phi$  to an interior point of the fundamental chamber.

~~Step 12: Now compute this~~

Now we apply what precedes to determine the  $B$ -orbits on  $X'$  and  $X$ . Given  $\sigma: L_0 < \dots < L_{k-1}$  a  $(k-1)$ -simplex of  $X'$ , we can extend it to a sequence  $L_j$  by putting  $L_{i+tk} = \pi^{-t} L_i$ . In this way  $(k-1)$ -simplices of  $X'$  become identified with <sup>increasing</sup> sequences of lattices  $(L_j)$  satisfying  $\pi L_j = L_{j-k}$  and such that  $L_0 < L_1 < \dots < L_{k-1}$  (note that  $L_{k-1}$  can be equal to  $\pi^{-1} L_0 = L_k$ ).

According to what has been shown, the  $B$ -orbit of  $(L_j)$  contains exactly one sequence made up of special lattices, hence the orbit  $B\sigma$  contains exactly one simplex  $\#$  in the apartment  $A'$ . Therefore we have

an isomorphism

$$A' \xrightarrow{\sim} B \setminus X'$$

and we get a retraction  $g: X' \rightarrow A'$  by associating to  $\sigma$  the unique simplex in ~~the apartment~~  $B\sigma$  which is in  $A'$ . This map  $g$  is essentially the one sending  $\sigma$  to the function  $\phi$  associated to  $(L_j)$ .

**Given** a  $(k-1)$ -simplex of  $X$ , we have  $\sigma = \{L_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , where  $(L_j)$  is an increasing sequence of lattices such that  ~~$\pi L_j = L_{j-k}$~~   $\pi L_j = L_{j-k}$  for all  $j$  and  $L_0 < L_1 < \dots < L_k = \pi^{-1} L_0$ . If  $(L'_j)$  is another sequence giving  $\sigma$ , then  $L'_j = L_{j+c}$  for some integer  $c$ . Thus  $(k-1)$ -simplices of  $X$  can be identified with equivalence classes of sequences  $(L_j)$  in  $S_k$  which are strictly increasing ( $L_j < L_{j+1}$ ), and where sequences are considered equivalent when they coincide after ~~a translation~~ a translation of the indices.

According to what's been shown, the  $B$  orbit of  $\sigma$  contains a unique simplex in the apartment  $A$ . Thus

$$A \xrightarrow{\sim} B \setminus X$$

and we have a retraction  $g: X \rightarrow A$  whose fibres are the  $B$ -orbits. ~~The dimension of the~~

Note that these two results in boxes imply:

$$|A'| \xrightarrow{\sim} B \setminus |X'| \quad \text{and} \quad |A| \xrightarrow{\sim} B \setminus |X|.$$

In effect the map  $|A| \rightarrow B \setminus |X|$  is onto, and  $\varrho$  induces ~~a retraction for the preceding map~~ a map  $B \setminus |X| \rightarrow |A|$  which is a <sup>retraction for</sup> ~~an inverse of~~ the preceding map.

Given  $x \in |X|$  let  $\sigma$  be the support of  $x$  so that  $x = \sum_{v \in \sigma} \lambda_v v$  where  $\lambda_v > 0$  and  $\sum \lambda_v = 1$ . Then the stabilizers of  $x$  and of  $\sigma$  in  $B$  are the same, because any  $b \in B$  such that  $b\sigma = \sigma$  satisfies  $br = r$  for all  $r$  in  $\sigma$ . (~~To see this I can apply the retraction  $\varrho: X \rightarrow A$ ; or I can argue that if  $b$  preserves  $\{L_j\}$ , then  $bL_j = L_j$  because  $\det(b) = 1$  and either  $bL_j \subset \sigma \supset L_j$ .~~)

From the assertion on page 19, the dimension of the  $B$ -orbit of a point  $x$  is the number of hyperplanes in the apartment crossed in going along the line joining  $\varrho x$  to an interior point of the fundamental chamber.

Chambers in  $A$ , the Weyl group, and the Bruhat decomposition:

Let  $\mathcal{N}' = \sum_n \alpha(F^*)^n$ ,  $\mathcal{H}' = (R^*)^n$  be considered as subgroups in  $GL_n(F)$  in the standard way. Put  $\mathcal{W}' = \mathcal{N}'/\mathcal{H}' \cong \sum_n \alpha \mathbb{Z}^n$ .  $\mathcal{N}'$  is the subgroup of  $GL_n(F)$  preserving the splitting  $V = F_0 \oplus \dots \oplus F_n$  into lines. Hence  $\mathcal{N}'$  acts on special lattices. Since  $\mathcal{H}'$  carries a special lattice into itself, we get an action of  $\mathcal{W}'$  on special lattices, hence an action of  $\mathcal{W}'$  on  $A'$  and  $A$ .

Recall we have identified, <sup>increasing</sup> sequences  $(L_j)$  of special lattices such that  $\pi L_j = L_{j-k}$  with functions  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  satisfying  $\phi(p+n) = \phi(p)+k$ . Hence  $\mathcal{W}'$  acts on such functions  $\phi$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}'$ . There is a permutation  $\sigma \in \sum_n$  and a sequence of integers  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  such that

$$\alpha(e_i) = u_i \prod^{-t_i} e_{\sigma(i)} \quad u_i \in R^*.$$

Hence  $\alpha$  determines a map  $v: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  by  $\alpha(e_p) \in R^* e_{v(p)}$ . The map  $v$  is an isomorphism satisfying  $v(p+n) = v(p)+n$ . It depends only on the image of  $\alpha$  in  $\mathcal{W}'$ .

On one hand we have identified  $\mathcal{W}'$  with  $\Sigma_n \times \mathbb{Z}^n$  as follows: ~~w~~  $w$  corresponds to  $(\sigma, t)$ ,  $\sigma \in \Sigma_n, t \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , iff for any  $\alpha \mapsto w$  we have  $\alpha(e_i) \in R^* \pi^{-t_i} e_{\sigma(i)}$

On the other hand we have identified  $\mathcal{W}'$  with permutations of  $\mathbb{Z}$  commuting with translation by  $n$  as follows:  $w$  corresponds to  $\nu$  iff for any  $\alpha \mapsto w$  we have

$$\alpha(e_p) \in R^* e_{\nu(p)}.$$

Thus  $\nu$  corresponds to  $(\sigma, t)$  iff

$$\nu(i) = \sigma i + t_i n$$

Suppose now  $(L_j)$  is an increasing sequence of special lattices corresp. to  $\phi$ ; this means  $\phi(p)=j$  iff  $e_p$  is in the natural basis of  $L_j/L_{j-1}$ . Apply  $\alpha$  to get a new ~~seq~~  $(\alpha L_j)$ , ~~w~~ and let  $\psi$  be the ~~corresp~~ corresponding function. Then  $\phi(p)=j \iff e_p$  is a basis elt of  $L_j/L_{j-1} \iff e_{\phi(p)}$  is a basis elt of  $\alpha L_j/\alpha L_{j-1} \iff \psi(\phi(p))=j$ . Thus  $\phi=\psi$  or  $\psi=\phi^{-1}$ . Therefore we ~~will~~ have:

Assertion: If we identify  $\mathcal{W}'$  with perms. of  $\mathbb{Z}$  commuting with translation, then the action of  $\mathcal{W}'$  on functions  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\phi(p+n)=\phi(p)+k$  is

given by  $\nu(\phi) = \phi \circ \nu^{-1}$ .

Consider the set of chambers in  $A'$ . These are classified by functions  $\phi$  ~~such that~~ which are isos. such that  $\phi(p+n) = \phi(p)+n$ . Consequently  $\mathcal{W}'$  acts simply-transitively on the set of chambers in  $A'$ .

Let  $B' = \{g \in GL_n F \mid g_{ij} \in \pi R \text{ if } i > j\}$ .  $B'$  is the stabilizer in  $GL_n F$  of the fundamental chamber  $v_0 < \dots < v_n$  of  $A'$ . Thus  $GL_n F / B'$  is essentially the set of chambers of  $X'$ . Since each  $B'$ -orbit on  $X'$  meets  $A'$  at exactly one point,  $B' \backslash GL_n F / B'$  may be identified with the set of chambers in  $A'$ . Thus we get the Bruhat decomposition

$$\boxed{\mathcal{W}' \xrightarrow{\sim} B' \backslash GL_n F / B'}$$

Next let's discuss the modifications for  $SL_n F$ .

Put  $N = \mathcal{W}' \cap SL_n F$ ,  $H = H' \cap SL_n F$ , and  $\mathcal{W} = N/H$ .

Then  $\mathcal{W} \subset \mathcal{W}'$ . Let  $\nu \in \mathcal{W}$  be interpreted as an auto of  $\mathbb{Z}$  commuting with translation by  $n$ , and also as a pair  $(\sigma, t)$ , so that  $\nu(i) = \sigma_i + t_i n$ . If  $\alpha \mapsto \nu$  with  $\alpha \in N$ , then the lattice

$$\alpha R^n = \sum R \pi^{-t_i} e_i$$

must have same volume as  $R^n$ , hence  $\sum t_i = 0$ .

Conversely given  $v \leftrightarrow (\sigma, t)$  with  $\sum t_i = 0$ , the monomial matrix sending  $e_i$  to  $\pi^{-t_i} e_i$  has determinant  $\text{sgn}(\sigma)$ , and we can multiply by ~~a~~ a ~~unimodular~~ diagonal matrix:  $e_i \mapsto \pm e_i$  to get an element of  $N$  mapping to  $v$ . Thus

$$\mathcal{W} = \bigcap_n \Delta \{ t \in \mathbb{Z}^n \mid \sum t_i = 0 \}.$$

I can think of elements of  $\mathcal{W}$  as being perms. of  $\mathbb{Z}$  commuting with  $p \mapsto p \tau_N$  which preserve volume:

~~elements of  $\mathcal{W}$  preserve volume~~

$$p + N = \text{card } \{ p \mid -N \leq a, \nu(a) \leq p \}$$

for  $N$  large enough so that  $a \leq N \Rightarrow \nu(a) \leq p$ ,  $a \leq p$ .

Consider chambres in  $X$ . These are chains  $\gamma = \{L_j\}$ ,  $\pi L_j = L_{j+1}$ ,  $\dim(L_j|L_{j-1}) = 1$ . We can normalize the indexing of the chain so that ~~such that~~  $\pi^n L_j = \pi^n v_j$  for each  $j$ . In this case the function  $\phi$  describing the  $B$ -orbit of  $\gamma$  is a volume-preserving auto of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . As before the  $\mathcal{W}$ -action on  $\phi$  will be given by  $\nu(\phi) = \phi \circ \nu^{-1}$ , hence  $\mathcal{W}$  acts simply-transitively on the chambres in  $A$ . As in the case of  $G_m$  we get the Bruhat decomposition:

$\mathcal{W}$	$\cong$	$B \backslash \text{SL}_n F / B$ .
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(this map is induced by inclusion of  $N$  in  $\text{SL}_n F$ )

### Link of a simplex in $X$ .

Let  $\sigma$  be a  $(k-1)$ -simplex of  $X$ , say  $\sigma = \{L_j\}$

where  $(L_j)$  is an increasing sequence  $\Rightarrow \pi L_j = L_{j-k}$

and  $L_0 < L_1 < \dots < L_k = \pi L_0$ . A vertex in  $\text{Link}(\sigma)$  is of the form  $d(L)$  where  $\exists j$  such that

$L_{j-1} < L < L_j$ , and we can suppose ~~for all~~  $1 \leq j \leq k$ .

~~Otherwise~~ A simplex  $\tau$  in  $\text{Link}(\sigma)$  is a simplex of  $X$  such that each vertex is in ~~the~~  $\text{Link}(\sigma)$ , because any two lattices in  $\sigma \cap \tau$  are ~~not~~ comparable.

If  $W$  is a vector space over  $R/\pi R$ , let  $T(W)$  denote the simplicial complex associated to the poset of proper subspaces of  $W$ . Any simplex  $\tau$  of  $\text{Link}(\sigma)$  is a join  $\tau = \tau_0 * \tau_1 * \dots * \tau_k$ , where

$\tau_j$  is either empty or a simplex of  $T(L_j/L_{j-1})$ , and not all  $\tau_j$  are empty. Thus

$$\text{Link}(\sigma) = T(L_1/L_0) * \dots * T(L_k/L_{k-1}).$$

(  $T(L_j/L_{j-1})$  is a bouquet of  $(\dim(L_j/L_{j-1}) - 2)$ -spheres )

hence this join is a bouquet of spheres of dimension

$$(\dim(L_1/L_0) - 2) + 1 + (\dim(L_2/L_1) - 2) + 1 + \dots + 1 + (\dim(L_k/L_{k-1}) - 2)$$

$$= n-1-k.$$

~~Moreover~~ The local homology  $H_*(X, X - \{x\})$  is therefore concentrated in degree  $n-1$ .)

## Lemmas on simplices and chambers of $X$ .

Suppose  $\sigma$  is a  $(k-1)$ -simplex of  $X$  given by  ~~$\{L_j\}$~~ , and let  $\tau = \{M_{ij}\}$  be a chamber containing  $\sigma$ . Let  $\phi, \psi$  be the functions assoc. to  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  respectively. Thus  $\phi(p) = j$  means that the quotient  $V_p/V_{p-1}$  of the composition series  $\{V_p\}$  appears in  $L_j/L_{j-1}$  in the sense of the Jordan-Hölder-Schreier theorem. ~~Because~~ Let  $R_\phi = \{(a, p) \mid a < p, \phi(a) > \phi(p)\}$ . Then  $\mathbb{Z}$  acts on  $R_\phi$  by  $(a, p) \mapsto (a + t^n, p + t^n)$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned} l(\phi) &= \text{card } \mathbb{Z}/R_\phi \\ &= \text{card } \{(a, p) \mid a < p, 1 \leq p \leq n, \phi(a) > \phi(p)\} \\ &= \text{card } \{(a, p) \mid a < p, \phi(a) > \phi(p), 1 \leq \phi(p) \leq k\} \end{aligned}$$

We put  $l(\tau) = l(\phi)$ ;  $l(\tau)$  is well-defined since  $\phi$  is determined up to translation by  $\tau$ .

Now since  $\{M_{ij}\}$  refines  $\{L_j\}$ , it is clear that  $\phi(a) > \phi(p) \implies \psi(a) > \psi(p)$ . Thus  $R_\phi \subset R_\psi$  so  $l(\sigma) \leq l(\tau)$ . If  $\psi(a) > \psi(p)$ , then  $\phi(a) \geq \phi(p)$ , so  $R_\psi - R_\phi$  consists of pairs in  $R_\psi$  with  $\phi(a) = \phi(p)$ . ~~because  $\phi(a) = \phi(p)$~~  Thus

$$l(\tau) - l(\sigma) = \sum_{j=1}^k \text{card } \{(a, p) \mid \phi(a) = \phi(p) = j, a < p, \psi(a) > \psi(p)\}.$$

denote it  $S_j$ .

Let us consider the  $j$ -th term of this sum. This is the number of pairs in  $\phi^{-1}(j)$  whose order is reversed by  $\phi$ . ~~Translating~~ Translating the indexing of the sequence  $(M_j)$ , I can suppose that  $M_0 = L_{j-1}$  whence I get a ~~composition~~ composition series:

$$(1) \quad L_{j-1} = M_0 \subset M_1 \subset \dots \subset M_s = L_j$$

and  $\phi^{-1}(j) = \{\phi^{-1}(1), \dots, \phi^{-1}(s)\}$ . Then  $S_j = \text{card } \{(a, b) \mid 1 \leq a < b \leq s \text{ and } \phi^{-1}(a) > \phi^{-1}(b)\}$ . Note that ~~the fundamental chambre~~ the fundamental chambre  $\{V_p\}$  induces a comp. series ~~composition series~~:

$$(2) \quad V_p \cap L_{j-1} + L_{j-1} \quad p \in \phi^{-1}(j)$$

in the layer  $L_{j-1} \subset L_j$ . When the two composition series (1) + (2) are compared via Jordan-Hölder, the  $p$ -th quotient of (2) is isomorphic to the  $\phi(p)$ -th quotient of (1).

Suppose  $\ell(\gamma) = \ell(\sigma)$ , that is,  $a < b \Leftrightarrow \phi^{-1}(a) < \phi^{-1}(b)$ . One sees easily then that the series (1) and (2) coincide, so we obtain:

Lemma 1: Given a simplex  $\sigma = \{L_j\}$ , there is a unique chambre  $\gamma$  containing  $\sigma$  such that  $\ell(\gamma) = \ell(\sigma)$ .  $\gamma$  is the chambre obtained by taking the filtration in each layer  $L_j/L_{j-1}$  induced by  $\{V_p\}$ .

~~Assume~~ Suppose next that  $l(\sigma) < l(\tau)$ . Then for some  $j$ , the  $\phi$ -ordering on  $\phi^{-1}(j)$  is different from the usual ordering. ~~Supposing without loss of generality that  $\sigma \subset \tau$  holds, we see that  $\tau$  is not full.~~ Supposing without loss of generality that (1) hold, we see there exists an integer  $i$  with  $1 \leq i, i+1 \leq s$  such that  $\phi^{-1}(i) > \phi^{-1}(i+1)$ . It is easily seen that if  $\rho$  is the panel (codim 1 face) of  $\tau$  obtained by deleting  $cl(M_i)$  from  $\tau$ , then  $l(\rho) < l(\tau)$ , in fact  $l(\rho) = l(\tau) - 1$ . So we obtain

Lemma 2: If  $\sigma$  is contained in a chambre  $\tau$  with  $l(\sigma) < l(\tau)$ , then there exists  $\rho$  a panel of  $\tau$  such that  $\rho \supset \sigma$  and  $l(\rho) < l(\tau)$ .

Corollary of Lemma 1: ~~Let  $\sigma \subset \tau$  be as in lemma 1. If  $\tau$  is any simplex containing  $\sigma$ , then  $l(\sigma) \leq l(\tau)$  with equality iff  $\tau \subset \tau$ .~~

For if  $\tau'$  is the unique chambre containing  $\tau$  with  $l(\tau') = l(\tau)$ , then  $\sigma \subset \tau'$  so  $l(\sigma) \leq l(\tau') = l(\tau)$ . If  $l(\sigma) = l(\tau)$ , then  $l(\tau') = l(\sigma) \Rightarrow \tau' = \tau$ .

Suppose now  $\tau$  is a chambre  $\tau = \{M_j\}$  associated to the isomorphism  $\phi$ . Let  $\rho_i$  be the panel of  $\tau$  obtained by deleting  $cl(M_i)$  from  $\tau$

for  ~~$\beta_i$~~   $i=0, \dots, n-1$ . Then  $l(\beta_i) = l(\gamma)$  iff  $\psi^{-1}(i) < \psi^{-1}(i+1)$ , otherwise  $l(\beta_i) = l(\gamma) - 1$ . If  $l(\beta_i) = l(\gamma)$  for all ~~panels~~ panels of  $\gamma$ , then

$$\psi^{-1}(0) < \psi^{-1}(1) < \dots < \psi^{-1}(n) = \psi^{-1}(0) + n$$

which is possible only if  $\psi^{-1}(j) = j + \psi^{-1}(0)$ . In this case  $\psi$  preserves ordering on  $\mathbb{Z}$ , so  $l(\gamma) = 0$  which means  $\gamma \in A$  since its  $B$ -orbit is trivial, hence  $\gamma$  = fundamental chambre. Finally if  $l(\beta_i) < l(\gamma)$  for all panels of  $\gamma$ , then we would have

$$\psi^{-1}(0) > \dots > \psi^{-1}(n) = \psi^{-1}(0) + n$$

which is impossible. Thus we have

Lemma 3: ~~All chambers~~ Given a chambre  $\gamma$  there exist panels of the same length. ~~and~~ There exist panels of smaller length iff  $\gamma \neq$  fundamental chambre.

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### Contractibility of $X$ :

Let  $F_n X$  be the subcomplex consisting of simplices of length  $\leq n$ ; it is the union of the closures of all the chambres of length  $\leq n$ . We show by induction that  $F_n X$  is contractible; as  $X = \bigcup F_n X$  this will show  $X$  is contractible.  $F_0 X$  is the closure of the fundamental chambre which is an  $(n-1)$ -simplex hence is contractible.

$F_n X$  is the union of  $F_{n-1} X$  and ~~each~~ each chambre of length  $n$ . By lemma 1 any two chambres of length  $n$  intersect inside  $F_{n-1} X$ . It suffices therefore to show that for any chambre  $\gamma$  <sup>of length n</sup> that  $|S|$  has  $|S|/n |F_{n-1} X| = |\{\sigma \in S \mid l(\sigma) \leq n-1\}|$  as a strong deformation retract. But by Lemmas 2 & 3 this subcomplex of  $|S|$  is a <sup>non-empty</sup> union of panels, <sup>but</sup> not all the panels of  $\gamma$ , so ~~at~~ this point is "OKAY".

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Further topics to be explored.

- 1) Case of a sfield  $F$  with maximal order  $R$  and  $R\pi$  ~~=~~ unique maximal ideal in  $R$
- 2)  $W$  generated by reflections,  $W$  is a Coxeter group exchange condition
- 3)  $B \backslash G / P_I \cong W / W_I$  if  $I \subset S$

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## Scattering Theory

Scattering theory ~~is concerned with~~ is concerned with the following situation. A Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  is given with two 1-parameter unitary groups  $U_0(t)$  and  $U(t)$ .  $U_0(t)$  is understood, and  $U(t)$  is a perturbation of  $U_0(t)$  which one wants to understand. The scattering operator  $S$  arises as follows: One starts with  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  and lets  $J_-x$  be the element of  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $U_0(t)x$  and  $U(t)J_-x$  are asymptotic as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$  (assuming this exists). Then  $U(t)J_-x$  will be asymptotic to  $U_0(t)(J_+^{-1}J_-x)$  as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$ . One sets  $S = J_+^{-1}J_-$ . The problems of the theory consist in proving these operators are well-defined, etc. (see Kato's address at NICE congress.)

I propose to discuss a simplified example of the theory in order to understand the basic phenomena. First I ~~will~~ consider the discrete case: where one is given two unitary operators  $U_0, U$  on  $\mathcal{H}$ . I suppose  $U_0$  given explicitly as multiplication by  $z$  on  $\mathcal{H} = L^2(S^1)^n$ . Put  $W = \mathbb{C}e_1 + \dots + \mathbb{C}e_n \subset \mathcal{H}$ . The unitary operator  $U$  will be required to coincide with  $U_0$  on  $z^i W$  for  $|i|$  sufficiently large. Thus  $U = U_0 \Theta$  where  $\Theta$  is ~~a~~ a unitary operator on the finite dimensional space

$$z^{-N}W + \dots + z^N W$$

extended by the identity on the orthogonal complement.

Let  $\Delta = \mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$ ,  $\Delta_{\pm} = \mathbb{C}[z^{\pm 1}]$ ; let  $\square D_{\pm}$  be the closure of  $\Delta_{\pm}$  in  $L^2(S^1)$ . Note that  $U$  carries the dense subspace  $\Delta^n \subset \mathcal{H}$  into itself. (Thus  $\square$  the situation at hand is very algebraic).

For large  $N$ ,  $U = U_0$  on  $z^{-N}\Delta_-^n$ , so  $U(z^{-N}\Delta_-^n) = z^{-N+1}\Delta_-^n$ . Taking perpendicular spaces (in  $\Delta^n$ ), one gets  $U^{-1}(z^{-N+1}\Delta_+^n) = z^{-N}\Delta_+^n$  or  $U(z^{-N}\Delta_+^n) = z^{-N+1}\Delta_+^n$ . Put  $L_2 = z^{-N}\Delta_+^n$  and  $L_1 = z^{N+1}\Delta_+^n$ ; these are stable under  $U$ .

Let  $P$  be the orthogonal projection of  $L_2$  onto  $Y = L_2 \ominus L_1 = \bigoplus_{-N \leq i \leq N} z^i W$ . The operator  $PU$

$\square$  is a contraction operator on  $\square Y$ .

Let  $v \in Y$  be an eigenvector for  $PU$  with eigenvalue  $\mathfrak{s}$  of absolute value 1. Then as  $P$  is a projection, for  $\square PUv = sv$  to have the same norm as  $Uv$  means that  $PUv = Uv$ , hence  $v$  is an eigenvector for  $U$ .

~~Let  $v$  be an eigenvector for  $U$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ , and suppose it projects non-trivially into  $z^i W$  for some  $i$  with  $i < -N$  or  $i > N$ .~~

(3)

Let  $v$  be an eigenvector for  $U$  in  $\mathcal{H}$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda \in S^1$ . If  $v = \sum v_i$  with  $v_i \in z^i W$ , then  $\boxed{\quad}$  for  $i > N$ ,  $Uv$  has the projection  $z v_i$  in  $z^{i+1} W$ , hence  $z v_i = \lambda v_{i+1}$ . This implies  $\|v_i\| = \|v_{i+1}\| = \dots$ , which is impossible unless  $v_i = 0$  for  $i > N$ . Similarly  $v_i = 0$  for  $i < -N$ . Thus any eigenvector  $v$  of  $U$  in  $\mathcal{H}$  is contained in  $Y = \bigoplus_{-N \leq i \leq N} z^i W$ . And  $P_U v = \boxed{\quad} = S v$ .

Let  $T$  = subspace of  $\mathcal{H}$  spanned by the eigenvectors of  $U$ . It is the subspace of  $Y$  consisting of the eigenvectors of  $Z$  whose eigenvalues are on  $S^\perp$ . Put  $\mathcal{H}' = \mathcal{H} \ominus T$ ,  $L'_2 = L_2 \ominus T$ . Then on  $L'_2 \ominus L_1$ ,  $Z$  has all eigenvalues inside  $S^\perp$ .

Let  $p$  be the minimal polynomial of  $Z$  acting on  $L'_2 \ominus L_1$ . The roots of  $p$  are inside of  $S^1$ . Since  $p(Z) = 0$ , we have

$$p(U)L'_2 \subset L_1.$$

~~Because  $z^{-N} w$  is perpendicular to  $T$~~

by 1 if necessary, I can suppose  $z^{-N} w$  is perpendicular to  $T$ , hence is in  $\boxed{\quad} L'_2$ . Then for each  $w \in W$ , we have

$$1) \quad p(U)(z^{-N} w) = \sum_{0 \leq i \leq m} z^{N+i} s_i(w)$$

Enlarging  $N$

$z^{-N} W$  is

$\boxed{\quad} L'_2$ . Then

where the  $s_i \in \text{End}(W)$ .

Now let us compute the scattering operator  $S$ . First we note that for any  $x \in \Delta^n$ ,  $U^{-t} U_0^t x$  is constant for  $t \ll 0$  and  $t \gg 0$ , so we get operators on  $\Delta^n$  defined by

$$(2) \quad J_{\pm} x = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} U^{-t} U_0^t x$$

such that  $U J_{\pm} = J_{\pm} U_0$ . ~~The scattering~~

since  $\|J_{\pm} x\| = \|x\|$  and  $\Delta^n$  is dense in  $H$ , these operators ~~extend~~ extend to isometries ~~on~~ on  $H$ . and the formula (2) holds for any  $x \in H$ . (Proof: Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $y \in \Delta^n$  be such that  $\|x-y\| < \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|U^{-t} U_0^t x - U^{-s} U_0^s x\| &\leq \|U^{-t} U_0^t (x-y)\| + \|U^{-s} U_0^s (x-y)\| \\ &< 2\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for  $s, t$  sufficiently close to  $\pm\infty$ ).

~~I now wish to show there is an operator such that  $J_{-} x = J_{+} s x$  for all  $x$  in  $H$ . If  $x \in W$  then applying  $J_{-} = U_0^{-1} U$  we get~~

Given  $w \in W$ , let's try to compute  $S_w$ . Then ~~we begin by~~  $J_{-} w = U^N z^{-N} w$  so applying 1) we get

$$p(u) J_- w = u^N \sum_{i=0}^N z^{N+i} s_i(w)$$

$$= J_+ \left( \sum_i z^{2N+i} s_i(w) \right)$$

But because  $p$  has no roots on  $S'$ ,  $p(u)$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathcal{H}$ , so

$$J_- w = J_+ \left( \frac{\sum_i z^{2N+i} s_i}{p(z)} w \right).$$

~~Actually it might be clearer to argue that we have~~

$$J_+ (p(z)w) = J_+ \left( \sum_i z^{2N+i} s_i(w) \right)$$

Applying  $u^k$  to both sides of this formula we see it holds with  $w$  replaced by  $z^k w$ . Hence one has for any  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  that

$$J_- x = J_+ (Sx)$$

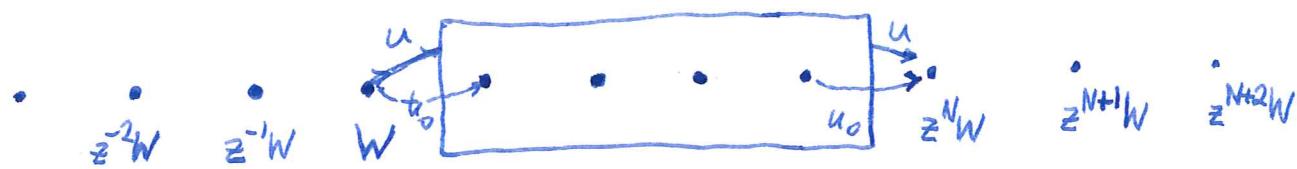
where  $S$  is multiplication by the matrix function  $\frac{1}{p(z)} \sum_i z^{2N+i} s_i$ . Thus we see the scattering operator exists. Because things are symmetric ~~with respect to~~ with respect to  $u, u_0$  versus  $u^{-1}, u_0^{-1}$  the preceding argument can be modified so ~~to~~ as to show that ~~exists~~  $\exists$  an  $S'$  with  $J_- S' = J_+$ . Thus we have that

$J_+ \mathcal{H} = J_- \mathcal{H}$  and that  $S$  is unitary.

since  $J_+ = \text{id}$  on  $L_1$ ,  $J_+ \mathcal{H} \supset L_1 \supset p(u)L_2'$ ,  
so  $J_+ \mathcal{H} \supset L_2' \oplus L_2^\perp$ . It follows that  $J_+ \mathcal{H} =$   
 $J_- \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}' = \text{orthogonal complement of } T$ .

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Here is a simple way to think of the scattering operator  $S$ . Suppose that the perturbation is supported in  $\mathbb{W} \oplus \dots \oplus z^N W$   $N \geq 1$  in the following sense:



Thus I want  $U_0^{-1} = U^{-1}$  on  $z^i W$ ,  $i \leq 0$

$$U_0 = U \quad \text{on } z^i W, i \geq N$$

whence

$$J_+ = \text{id} \quad \text{on } z^N D_+^n$$

$$J_- = \text{id} \quad \text{on } D_-^n$$

~~Let us take  $U$  as a  $t$ -path through  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ .  
 $U$  commutes with  $z^N W$  for  $N \geq 0$ .~~

Let us now consider the  $U$ -path  $U^t w$  as it moves through the ~~scattering~~ scatterer. As soon as  $U^t w$  has a component in  $z^N W$ , this component translates along without change. Thus

~~(to) every element of  $\mathbb{Z}^N \otimes W$~~

$$U^0 w = w$$

$$U^1 w = \text{elt in box} + z^N \varphi_{N-1}(w), \text{ box} = zW \oplus \cdots \oplus z^{N-1}W$$

$$U^2 w = \text{elt in box} + z^N \varphi_{N-2}(w) + z^{N+1} \varphi_{N-1}(w)$$

$$U^3 w = " + z^N \varphi_{N-3}(w) + z^{N+1} \varphi_{N-2}(w) + z^{N+2} \varphi_{N-1}(w)$$

etc. so

$$Sw = J_+^* J_- w = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} U_0^{-t} U^t w$$

$$= \sum_{i \leq N-1} z^i \varphi_i(w)$$

Notation from Schweber: The generalized eigenvectors for  $U_0$  are of the form

$$\delta_a(z) w = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} a^{-i} z^i w$$

where  $a \in S^1$ ,  $w \in W$ , and  $\delta_a$  is  $\delta$ -function at the point  $a$ . One has

$$U_0(\delta_a(z) w) = a \cdot \delta_a(z) w.$$

~~This operator is transferred~~

~~Denote this eigenvector by  $\varphi_{a,w}$ . The operator  $J_-$  transforms it into a generalized eigenvector for  $U$ :~~

$$\varphi_{a,w}^+ = \sum a^{-i} U^i w$$

~~What does Schur ball the notation of  $\delta_a$ ?~~

The operators  $J_{\pm}$  transforms this eigenvector for  $U_0$  into ones for  $U$  with the same eigenvalue  $a$

$$J_{-}(\delta_a w) = \sum a^{-i} U^i w$$

$$J_{+}(\delta_a w) = \sum a^{-i} U^i J_{+} w.$$

The scattering operator  $S$  applied to  $\delta_a w$  is

$$\begin{aligned} S(\delta_a w) &= \sum_i z^i \delta_a(z) \varphi_i(w) \\ &= \delta_a \cdot S(a) w \end{aligned}$$

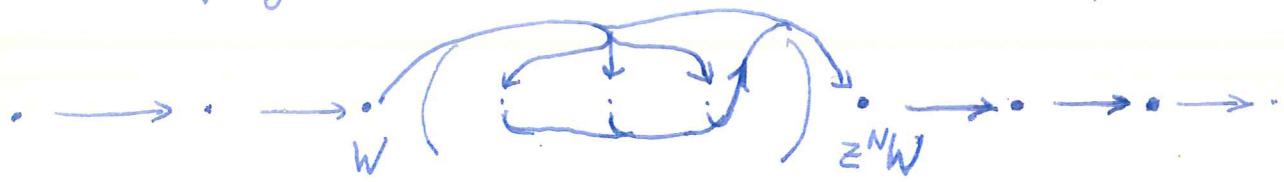
where  $S(a) = \sum a^i \varphi_i \in \text{End}(W)$ . We have

$$J_{-}(\delta_a w) = J_{+}(S \delta_a w) = J_{+}(\delta_a S(a) w)$$

so we get the following interpretation for the scattering operator.

Take the ~~generalized~~ generalized eigenfunction of  $U$  of the form  $J_{-}(\delta_a w) = \sum a^{-i} U^i w$  which has the component  $a^{-i} z^i w$  in degrees  $\leq 0$ . Then its components in degrees  $\geq N$  are  $a^{-i} z^i (S(a) w)$ , where  $S(a)$  is the value of the scattering matrix at  $z=a$ .

Let's reconcile the two expressions for  $S$  given on pages 5 and 7. Recall the picture



It is clear from this picture that

$$T \subset zW \oplus \dots \oplus z^{N-1}W.$$

We take  $L_1 = z^N \Delta_+^n$ ,  $L_2 = \Delta_+^n$ , and let  $p(t)$  be the minimal polynomial of  $\mathbf{Z}$  on  $L_2 \ominus (L_1 \oplus T)$ . As  $W \subset L_2 \ominus (L_1 \oplus T)$ , we have  $p(u)W \subset L_1$ , hence

$$(*) \quad p(u) e_i = \sum g_{ji}(u) z^N e_j \quad g_{ji} \in \mathbb{C}[u].$$

By an analogous argument there is a poly  $g(t)$  with roots inside  $S^1$  such that

$$g(u^{-1})(z^N e_i) = \sum h_{ji}(u^{-1}) e_j \quad h_{ji} \in \mathbb{C}[u^{-1}].$$

Applying  $J_+^*$  to  $(*)$  we get

$$p(z) J_+^* e_i = \sum g_{ji}(z) z^N e_j$$

$$\text{or } S(z) e_i = \sum \alpha_{ji}(z) z^N e_j$$

where  $\alpha_{ji}(z) = \frac{g_{ji}(z)}{p(z)}$  is a rational function with poles inside  $S^1$ . The inverse of  $(\alpha_{ji})$  is the matrix  $\frac{h_{ji}(z^{-1})}{g(z^{-1})}$  which has ~~poles~~ poles

outside of  $S^1$ . Thus the scattering matrix  $S(z)$  is a rational function of  $z$ , holomorphic on  $S^1$  and its exterior while  $S(z)^{-1}$  is holomorphic on  $S^1$  and its interior. (0 and  $\infty$  are excluded.)

The above argument shows that the scattering matrix  $S(z)$  is such that the matrix  $U^{-N}S(U) = \alpha(U)$  transforms the sequence  $\{z^N e_j\}$  into the sequence  $e_i$ . In fact looking at  $H^* \ominus T$  as ~~is~~ isomorphic to  $L^2(S^1)^n$  with  $z \leftrightarrow U$  and  $e_i \leftrightarrow z^N e_i$ , the matrix  $\alpha$  is ~~a~~ scattering matrix carrying the outgoing space  $\overline{L}_1 = z^N D_+^n$  into the outgoing space  $\overline{L}_2 \ominus T$ . Thus I know that

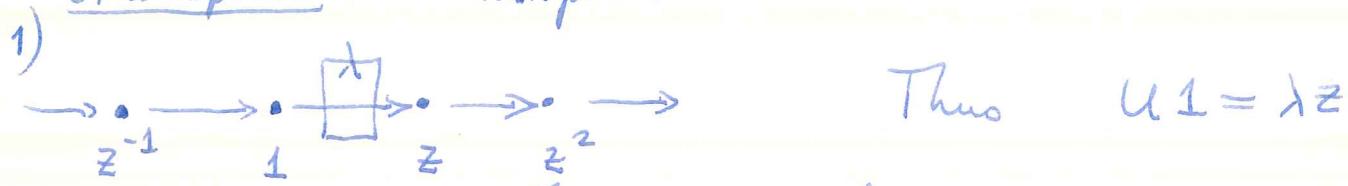
$$\begin{aligned} -\text{degree}(\det \alpha: S^1 \rightarrow S^1) &= \bullet \text{ index of } \overline{L}_2 \ominus T \text{ wrt } \overline{L}_1 \\ &= \dim (\overline{L}_2 \ominus T \ominus \overline{L}_1) \\ &= nN - \dim T. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\boxed{\text{degree}(\det S: S^1 \rightarrow S^1) = \dim T}$$

(This degree is the ~~the~~ number of zeros minus poles for  $\det(S)$  in the unit circle.)

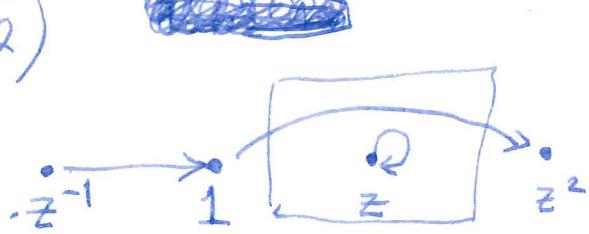
Examples: Take  $n=1$ .



where  $|\lambda| = 1$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= \lambda z \\ \therefore U^2 1 &= \lambda z^2 \\ U^k 1 &= \lambda z^k \quad \therefore S(z) = \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

2)



$$\begin{aligned} Uz &= z \\ U_1 &= z^2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore z$  is a bound state

Then  $U_1 = z^2$

$$U^2 1 = z^3$$

$$U^k 1 = z^{k+1} \quad \therefore S(z) = z.$$

3) Let  $\Theta z = (\cos \alpha)z - (\sin \alpha)z^2$

$$\Theta z^2 = (\sin \alpha)z + (\cos \alpha)z^2$$

$$\Theta z^m = z^m \text{ if } m \neq 1, 2.$$

and put  $U = \Theta U_0$ .

$$U_1 = \Theta z = (\cos \alpha)z - (\sin \alpha)z^2$$

$$U^2 1 = \Theta z^2 = (\sin \alpha)z + (\cos \alpha)z^2$$

$$Uz^2 = \Theta z^3 = z^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} U^2 1 &= (\cos \alpha)[(\sin \alpha)z + (\cos \alpha)z^2] - \sin \alpha z^3 \\ &= \cos \alpha \sin \alpha z + \cos^2 \alpha z^2 - \sin \alpha z^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u^3 &= \cos^2 \alpha \sin \alpha z - \cos \alpha \sin^2 \alpha z^2 + \cos^2 \alpha z^3 - \sin \alpha z^4 \\ u^4 &= \cos^3 \alpha \sin \alpha - \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha z - \cos \alpha \sin^2 \alpha z^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u^3 z &= (\cos \alpha \sin) [\sin z + \cos z^2] + \cos^2 z^3 - \sin z^4 \\ &= \cos \sin^2 z + \cos^2 \sin z^2 + \cos^2 z^3 - \sin z^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$u^4 z = \cos \alpha \sin^3 z + \cos^2 \sin^2 z^2 + \cos^2 \sin z^3 + \cos^2 z^4 - \sin z^5$$

$$u^5 z = \cos \alpha \sin^4 z + \cos^2 \sin^3 z^2$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} S &= (-\sin \alpha) z + \cos^2 \alpha (1 + z^{-1} \sin \alpha + z^{-2} \sin^2 \alpha + \dots) \\ &= (-\sin \alpha) z + \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{1 - z^{-1} \sin \alpha} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 \alpha - (\sin \alpha) z + \cos^2 \alpha}{1 - z^{-1} \sin \alpha} \end{aligned}$$

$$S = \frac{1 - z \sin \alpha}{1 - z^{-1} \sin \alpha}$$