

Cohomology of algebraic groups, Lie algebras, and related finite groups of Lie type Part 2

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Context From Yesterday

Generally thinking of G as an almost simple, semisimple, simply connected algebraic group (scheme) over an algebraically closed field of characteristic $p > 0$.

Classic Matrix Examples:

- Type A_n : SL_{n+1}
- Type B_n : SO_{2n+1}
- Type C_n : Sp_{2n}
- Type D_n : SO_{2n}

and the exceptional groups in types E_6 , E_7 , E_8 , F_4 , and G_2 .

Notation

- Φ : the irreducible root system
- Φ^+ : positive roots
- S : simple roots
- $X(T)$: weight lattice
- $X(T)_+$: dominant weights
- $X_r(T)$: p^r -restricted weights
- T : maximal torus
- $B = T \ltimes U$: a Borel subgroup associated to the negative roots
- W : the Weyl group
- The Weyl weight: $\rho = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} \alpha$
- The maximal short root: α_0

The Coxeter Number

$$h := \langle \rho, \alpha_0^\vee \rangle + 1$$

Φ	h
A_n	$n + 1$
B_n	$2n$
C_n	$2n$
D_n	$2n - 2$
E_6	12
E_7	18
E_8	30
F_4	12
G_2	6

h tends to separate “small” primes from “large” primes

Study cohomology and extensions over

- $G, \mathfrak{g}, G_r, G(\mathbb{F}_q)$
- $B, \mathfrak{b}, B_r, B(\mathbb{F}_q)$
- $U, \mathfrak{u}, U_r, U(\mathbb{F}_q)$

Here $q = p^r$

Main modules of interest:

- $k, L(\lambda), H^0(\lambda), V(\lambda)$ for $\lambda \in X(T)_+$

- Structures of interest:
 - Algebraic groups
 - Frobenius kernels
 - Associated Lie algebras
 - Associated finite groups of Lie type
- Modules
- Cohomology and Extensions
- Some basic tools
- Connections in cohomology

Some of Yesterday's Connections

- $H^i(G, M) \cong H^i(B, M)$ for a G -module M
- $H^i(B, M) \cong H^i(U, M)^T$ for a B -module M
- $H^i(B, M) \cong \varprojlim H^i(B_r, M)$ for a B -module M
- $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \cong H^i(G, \text{ind}_{G(\mathbb{F}_q)}^G(k))$
- Lyndon-Hochschild-Serre spectral sequence

Goal: See some of these connections at work . . . and identify what we know and don't know . . .

Outline:

- Cohomology with trivial coefficients
- Cohomology for some standard non-trivial modules
- Extensions with non-trivial modules - particularly self-extensions
- Bounding dimensions of cohomology/extension groups

Computations: Trivial Coefficients

Start by considering cohomology with coefficients in k .

E.g.,

- $H^i(G, k), H^i(B, k), \dots$
- $H^i(G_r, k), \dots$
- $H^i(\mathfrak{g}, k), \dots$
- $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k), \dots$

In addition to individual computations, would potentially like to understand the ring structure and related properties.

Using root combinatorics and the aforementioned relationship between G - and B -cohomology,

$$H^i(G, k) \cong H^i(B, k) = \begin{cases} k & \text{if } i = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } i > 0. \end{cases}$$

- Cline-Parshall-Scott-van der Kallen '77
- Holds for parabolics in between

Compare: U -Cohomology

$H^\bullet(U, k)$ is certainly more complex.

E.g., For SL_2 , $U = \mathbb{G}_a$,

Recall ($p > 2$):

$$H^\bullet(U, k) = \Lambda^\bullet(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots) \otimes k[x_1, x_2, \dots],$$

with $\lambda_i \in H^1$, $x_i \in H^2$

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Recent preprint of Friedlander:

$$H^i(U, k) \cong \varprojlim H^i(U_r, k)$$

Some progress towards the SL_3 case.

Very much an open problem.

First Frobenius kernels

We have good information for primes that are not too small relative to the root system.

For $p > h$, Andersen-Jantzen '84 and Friedlander-Parshall '86

- $H^\bullet(B_1, k) \cong H^\bullet(U_1, k)^{T_1} \cong S^\bullet(\mathfrak{u}^*)^{(1)}$
 - generators in degree 2
 - $E_2^{2i,j} = S^i(\mathfrak{u}^*)^{(1)} \otimes H^j(\mathfrak{u}, k) \Rightarrow H^{2i+j}(U_1, k)$
- $H^i(G_1, k)^{(-1)} \cong \text{ind}_B^G \left(S^{\frac{i}{2}}(\mathfrak{u}^*) \right)$
- $H^\bullet(G_1, k) \cong k[\mathcal{N}]$ as algebras
 - $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is the set of nilpotent elements in \mathfrak{g}

Small Primes?

Some small prime computations of Andersen-Jantzen '84

B-Nakano-Parshall-Pillen '14 considered $H^\bullet(G_1, k)$ for small primes

Idea: Replace B with a parabolic $P_J \subset G$ corresponding to a certain set J of simple roots. Need some information:

- $R^i \operatorname{ind}_{P_J}^G(S^\bullet(\mathfrak{u}_J^*)) = 0$ for $i > 0$
- $G \cdot \mathfrak{u}_J$ is a normal subvariety of \mathcal{N}

If these hold (not known in general), ...

We would conclude that (for “very good” primes)

- $H^{2\bullet+1}(G_1, k) = 0$
- $H^{2\bullet}(G_1, k) \cong \text{ind}_{P_j}^G S^\bullet(\mathfrak{u}_j^*) \cong k[G \cdot \mathfrak{u}_j]$
- Know for roughly $p > h/2$.
- But still open for smaller!
- Alternate answer in *very bad* case for SL_n with p dividing n .
- And what about $H^\bullet(B_1, k)$ for small primes?

For higher r , much less is known

- Degree ≤ 3 computations in a more general context - more later
- Andersen-Jantzen '84 - some SL_2 -computations
- Kaneda-Shimada-Tezuka-Yagita '90 - $H^i(B_r, k)$ for $p > h$
 - SL_n : $i \leq 2p - 1$
 - SL_3 : all i for $r = 2$
- Ngo '13 - $G = SL_2$
 - U_r, B_r, G_r in all degrees
 - In fact, for some non-trivial modules
 - Ring structure of $H^\bullet(U_r, k)$, but only of the reduced rings for B_r and G_r - which are shown to be Cohen-Macaulay
- Friedlander - U_r for $G = SL_3$
 - Almost a computation of $H^\bullet(U_r, k)$ modulo nilpotents

Higher r continued

Recent preprint of Ngo: in small degrees

For $i < \frac{p}{c}$, c depending on the root system (from 1 to 6)

$$H^i(B_r, k) \cong H^i(B_1, k)^{(r-1)} \cong \begin{cases} S^{\frac{i}{2}}(\mathfrak{u}^*)^{(r)} & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ 0 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$H^i(G_r, k)^{(-r)} \cong \text{ind}_B^G \left(H^i(B_r, k)^{(-r)} \right)$$

In general?

The Induction Question

When is

$$H^i(G_r, k)^{(-r)} \cong \text{ind}_B^G \left(H^i(B_r, k)^{(-r)} \right)?$$

More generally, for a B -module M (e.g., simple), is

$$H^i(G_r, \text{ind}_B^G(M))^{(-r)} \cong \text{ind}_B^G \left(H^i(B_r, M)^{(-r)} \right)?$$

The induction spectral sequence:

$$E_2^{i,j} = R^i \text{ind}_B^G \left(H^j(B_r, M)^{(-r)} \right) \Rightarrow H^i(G_r, \text{ind}_B^G(M))^{(-r)}$$

Idea: Try to show this collapses.

Cohomological Support Varieties: let G be a general algebraic group here

- Friedlander-Suslin '96 - $H^\bullet(G_r, k)$ is finitely generated

$$V_r(G) := \text{Spec} (H^{2\bullet}(G_r, k))$$

- Suslin-Friedlander-B '97 - For classical G (including B and U)
 - $V_r(G) \cong C_r(\mathcal{N}_p(\mathfrak{g}))$
 - r -tuples of pairwise commuting, p -nilpotent elements
 - Quite general for p good - McNinch '02, Sobaje '13

Support varieties for modules ... and other contexts ...

$$H^\bullet(\mathfrak{g}, k) = ?$$

Small degree generalities:

- $H^0(\mathfrak{g}, k) = k$
- $H^1(\mathfrak{g}, k) = (\mathfrak{g}/[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}])^*$
- $H^2(\mathfrak{g}, k)$ may be identified with central extensions of \mathfrak{g} by k
- $H^i(\mathfrak{g}, k) = 0$ for $i > \dim \mathfrak{g}$

Not many explicit computations for \mathfrak{g} in this context.

But there are for $\mathfrak{u} \dots$

Kostant's Theorem

For $p \geq h - 1$ (or characteristic zero), as a T -module

$$H^i(\mathfrak{u}, k) \cong \bigoplus_{\ell(w)=i} -w \cdot 0$$

- ℓ - length function on W
- Dot action: $w \cdot \lambda = w(\lambda + \rho) - \rho$
- Friedlander-Parshall '86, Polo-Tilouine '02, UGA Vigue Algebra Group '09
- More general versions for \mathfrak{u}_J associated to a parabolic and for simple G -modules

For $p < h - 1$, the UGA VIGRE Algebra Group showed that there is always more cohomology in a global sense:

$$\text{ch } H^\bullet(u, k) \neq \text{ch } H^\bullet(u, \mathbb{C})$$

- One can construct examples of “extra” cohomology classes in some degrees
- There is not necessarily extra cohomology in every degree
- For u_J , it remains an open question to understand when extra cohomology will arise.

$H^i(u, k)$ for Small Primes Continued

$$H^i(u, k) = ?$$

- There are computer calculations for small rank cases
- Fully known for degree 0, 1, 2 - Jantzen '91, B-Nakano-Pillen '07, Wright '11
- Degree 3 - known for $p \geq 5$ (and sometimes 7) - B-Nakano-Pillen '16
- Higher degrees???

$$H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k), H^i(B(\mathbb{F}_q), k), H^i(U(\mathbb{F}_q), k)$$

Fits into the general context of finite groups

- Low degree interpretations
- There are many cohomology computations, particularly for “small” groups
 - e.g., Carlson '83 - $H^i(SL_2(\mathbb{F}_q), k)$
- Cohomological support varieties . . .

Another relationship:

$U(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is a p -Sylow subgroup of $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$, so

$$H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \hookrightarrow H^i(B(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \hookrightarrow H^i(U(\mathbb{F}_q), k)$$

Recall: Earlier observation on generic cohomology

- For sufficiently large r (depending on i), $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = 0$
- When does this happen?

The Vanishing Range Problem

Dating back to Quillen '72, it's been observed that $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k)$ is zero in “low” degrees. Specifically,

$$H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = 0 \text{ for } 0 < i < m$$

for some m depending on r .

Goal: Find a sharp bound m .

- an m where the above holds, but $H^m(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \neq 0$
- i.e., the least positive degree with cohomology

Initial work involved finding larger and larger vanishing ranges . . .

Vanishing Range Progress

- Quillen '72: $H^i(GL_n(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = 0$ for $0 < i < r(p-1)$.
 - Observed the general phenomenon without specifics, nor sharpness
- Friedlander '75: Vanishing ranges for special orthogonal and symplectic groups
- Hiller '80: Vanishing ranges for G simply connected for all types.
- Friedlander-Parshall '83: $p > 2$,
 $H^i(GL_n(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = H^i(B(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = 0$ for $0 < i < r(2p-3)$
 - $H^{r(2p-3)}(B(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \neq 0$
- Barbu '04: $H^{r(2p-2)}(GL_n(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \neq 0$
- B-Nakano-Pillen '11, '12: For $p > h \dots$

Vanishing for $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_p), k)$

Simply connected case: $p > h$

Root System	p	Sharp Vanishing Bound D
$A_n, n \geq 4$	$p > n + 2$	$2p - 3$
$A_n, n \geq 3$	$p = n + 2$	$p - 2$
A_3	$p > 5$	$2p - 6$
A_2	$p = 3k + 1, k \geq 2$	$2p - 6$
A_2	$p = 3k + 2, k \geq 1$	$2p - 3$
$B_n, n \geq 7$	$p > 2n$	$2p - 3$
$B_n, n \in \{5, 6\}$	$p > 13$	$2p - 3$
$B_n, n \in \{5, 6\}$	$p = 13$	$2p - 5$
B_5	$p = 11$	$2p - 7 = 3$
$B_n, n \in \{3, 4\}$	$p > 2n$	$2p - 8$
$C_n, n \geq 1$	$p > 2n$	$p - 2$
$D_n, n \geq 4$	$p > 2n - 2$	$2p - 2n$

Vanishing for $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_p), k)$ Continued

Root System	p	Sharp Vanishing Bound D
E_6	$p > 13$	$2p - 3$
E_6	$p = 13$	$2p - 10 = 16$
E_7	$p > 23$	$2p - 3$
E_7	$p = 23$	$2p - 7 = 39$
E_7	$p = 19$	$2p - 9 = 27$
E_8	$p \geq 31$	$2p - 3$
F_4	$p \geq 13$	$2p - 9 \leq D \leq 2p - 3$
G_2	$p \geq 7$	$2p - 8 \leq D \leq 2p - 3$

Vanishing for $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k)$ - i.e., $r > 1$

Still $p > h$

Insert an r in the above bounds.

- E.g., generic bound of $r(2p - 3)$
- Also not sharp for type B_n or E_6

Adjoint, simply laced cases (A_n, D_n, E_n):

- $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = 0$ for $0 < i < r(2p - 3)$ and sharp

Vanishing Ranges Continued

- B-Nakano-Pillen '14:
 - $p = 2$: $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = 0$ for $0 < i < r$
 - $p > 2$: $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) = 0$ for $0 < i < r(p - 2)$
- Sprehn '15: Construction of non-trivial cohomology classes for $p > h$
 - $H^{r(2p-3)}(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \neq 0$
 - $H^{r(p-2)}(Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \neq 0$, Type C

Open issues:

- Small primes
- Some types in large primes

The BNP Proof Strategy

This is an application of the connections between groups:

- $H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), k) \simeq H^i(G, \text{ind}_{G(\mathbb{F}_q)}^G(k))$
- Filter $\text{ind}_{G(\mathbb{F}_q)}^G(k)$ by $H^0(\lambda) \otimes H^0(\lambda^*)^{(r)}$ and show vanishing of

$$H^i(G, H^0(\lambda) \otimes H^0(\lambda^*)^{(r)}) \cong \text{Ext}_G^i(V(\lambda)^{(r)}, H^0(\lambda))$$

- For $r = 1$, use LHS spectral sequence for $G_1 \trianglelefteq G$:

$$E_2^{i,j} = \text{Ext}_{G/G_1}^i(V(\lambda)^{(1)}, H^j(G_1, H^0(\lambda))) \Rightarrow \text{Ext}_G^{i+j}(V(\lambda)^{(1)}, H^0(\lambda))$$

- Investigate $H^i(G_1, H^0(\lambda))$
 - More connections - see below - here is where $p > h$ comes in
- Use inductive arguments to get vanishing for higher r .

The Dream: Compute $\text{Ext}_G^i(L(\lambda), L(\mu))$ for all $\lambda, \mu \in X(T)^+$

- Even for $i = 1$
- Related to the Lusztig Conjecture
- The Linkage Principle - Andersen '80
 - To be non-zero, λ and μ must be linked under the action of the affine Weyl group
- Special case: $H^i(G, L(\lambda))$

Can try to use the LHS spectral sequence for $G_1 \trianglelefteq G$:

$$E_2^{i,j} = H^i(G/G_1, H^j(G_1, L(\lambda))) \Rightarrow H^{i+j}(G, L(\lambda))$$

and the 5-term exact sequence for low degrees:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow H^i(G/G_1, L(\lambda)^{G_1}) \rightarrow H^i(G, L(\lambda)) \rightarrow (H^i(G_1, L(\lambda))^{G/G_1}) \\ \rightarrow H^{i+1}(G/G_1, L(\lambda)^{G_1}) \rightarrow H^{i+1}(G, L(\lambda)) \end{aligned}$$

E.g., if $L(\lambda)^{G_1} = 0$, then $H^1(G, L(\lambda)) \cong (H^1(G_1, L(\lambda))^{G/G_1})$

Similar idea for $\text{Ext}_G^1(L(\lambda), L(\mu))$

See for example Donkin '82, Andersen '84, Jantzen '91

Relating to Other Modules

Consider the SES (for $\lambda \neq 0$)

$$0 \rightarrow L(\lambda) \rightarrow H^0(\lambda) \rightarrow H^0(\lambda)/L(\lambda) \rightarrow 0$$

and the associated LES (or more generally for Ext)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow L(\lambda)^G \rightarrow H^0(\lambda)^G \rightarrow (H^0(\lambda)/L(\lambda))^G \\ \rightarrow H^1(G, L(\lambda)) \rightarrow H^1(G, H^0(\lambda)) \rightarrow H^1(G, H^0(\lambda)/L(\lambda)) \cdots \end{aligned}$$

For degree 1, $H^1(G, H^0(\lambda)) = 0$, and so

$$H^1(G, L(\lambda)) \cong (H^0(\lambda)/L(\lambda))^G$$

More generally, for $\mu \not\cong \lambda$

$$\mathrm{Ext}_G^1(L(\mu), L(\lambda)) \cong \mathrm{Hom}_G(L(\mu), H^0(\lambda)/L(\lambda))$$

and a higher degree version ...

The aforementioned vanishing fact is a special case of

$$\mathrm{Ext}_G^i(V(\lambda), H^0(\mu)) = \begin{cases} k & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ and } \lambda = \mu \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

That follows by relating G -cohomology to B -cohomology ...

A G -module M is said to have a *good filtration* if it has a filtration by $H^0(\lambda)$ s. That holds iff

$$\mathrm{Ext}_G^i(V(\lambda), M) = 0$$

for all $i > 0$ and $\lambda \in X(T)_+$.

For $\lambda \in X(T)$, $H^i(B, \lambda) = ?$

Characteristic zero: non-zero only for $\lambda = w \cdot 0$, $w \in W$, and in a single degree:

$$H^{\ell(w)}(B, \lambda) = k$$

Characteristic p : there is more, but only known in small degrees

Degree 1: Andersen '84

$$H^1(B, -p^m \alpha) = k$$

for $m \geq 0$, $\alpha \in S$

- Degree 2: Andersen '84, O'Halloran '83, B-Nakano-Pillen '07, Wright '11
 - One-dimensional for (with $\alpha, \beta \in S$)

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} p^i w \cdot 0, i \geq 0, \ell(w) = 2 \\ -p^i \alpha, i > 0 \\ -p^i \alpha - p^j \beta, 0 \leq i < j \end{cases}$$

- Degree 3: Andersen-Rian '07 ($p > h$), B-Nakano-Pillen '16 ($p > 3$ or 5)
 - More cases . . .
 - Key Difference: some 2-dimensional cases
 - AR used LHS and reduction to B_1
 - BNP used computations for B_r and inverse limits

Andersen-Jantzen '84 (and Kumar-Lauritzen-Thomsen '99):

$$\begin{aligned} H^i(G_1, H^0(\lambda))^{(-1)} &\cong \operatorname{ind}_B^G \left(H^i(B_1, \lambda)^{(-1)} \right) \\ &\cong \begin{cases} \operatorname{ind}_B^G \left(S^{\frac{i-\ell(w)}{2}}(\mathfrak{u}^*) \otimes \mu \right) & \text{if } \lambda = w \cdot 0 + p\mu, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Note: Hidden is a computation of $H^i(B_1, \lambda)$

Questions:

- Small primes?
- G_r and B_r for higher r ?

Ngo '13: $G = SL_2$ - $H^i(G_r, H^0(\lambda))$ and $H^i(B_r, \lambda)$

An Inductive/Reductive Approach

- Recall the Induction Problem: When is

$$H^i(G_r, H^0(\lambda))^{(-1)} \cong \text{ind}_B^G \left(H^i(B_r, \lambda)^{(-1)} \right)?$$

- LHS for $B_1 \trianglelefteq B_r$ can be used to inductively push B_1 -results to B_r -results

- $H^i(B_1, \lambda) \cong (H^i(U_1, \lambda)^{T_1}) \cong (H^i(U_1, k) \otimes \lambda)^{T_1}$

- Use the spectral sequence

$$E_2^{2i,j} = S^i(\mathfrak{u}^*)^{(1)} \otimes H^j(\mathfrak{u}, k) \Rightarrow H^{2i+j}(U_1, k)$$

- Need $H^j(\mathfrak{u}, k)$

Degree 1:

- Jantzen '91 - $H^1(G_1, H^0(\lambda))$, $H^1(B_1, \lambda)$, and some $H^1(G_1, L(\lambda))$
- B-Nakano-Pillen '04 - extended to $r > 1$

Degree 2:

- B-Nakano-Pillen '07 - $H^2(G_r, H^0(\lambda))$ and $H^2(B_r, \lambda)$ for $p \geq 3$
- Wright '11 - $p = 2$

Degree 3:

- B-Nakano-Pillen '16 - $H^3(G_r, H^0(\lambda))$ and $H^3(B_r, \lambda)$ for $p \geq 5, 7$
- Small primes still open

As noted above, this approach needs computations of $H^i(\mathfrak{u}, k)$.

Further, as the degree increases, an inductive approach (for higher r) needs other Lie algebra cohomology computations:

$$H^i(\mathfrak{u}, \mathfrak{u}^*)$$

or more generally

$$H^i(\mathfrak{u}, S^j(\mathfrak{u}^*))$$

Note: $H^i(\mathfrak{u}, \mathfrak{u}^*)$ is similar to $H^{i+1}(\mathfrak{u}, k)$

Noted Earlier: Kostant's Theorem for $H^i(\mathfrak{u}, L(\lambda))$ for $p \geq h - 1$
and "small" λ

Other modules?

$$H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), L(\lambda)) = ?$$

Computations in degrees 1 and 2 for “small” weights. E.g., weights less than or equal to a fundamental dominant weight

- Cline-Parshall-Scott '75, '77
- Jones '75
- Avrunin '78
- Bell '78
- Kleschev '94
- UGA Vigre Algebra Group '12, '13

Consider $\text{Ext}_G^i(M, M)$, particularly $\text{Ext}_G^1(M, M)$:

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

For simple G -modules,

$$\text{Ext}_G^1(L(\lambda), L(\lambda)) = 0$$

Can use earlier fact:

$$\text{Ext}_G^1(L(\lambda), L(\lambda)) \cong \text{Hom}_G(L(\lambda), H^0(\lambda)/L(\lambda)) = 0,$$

since $H^0(\lambda)/L(\lambda)$ contains no copies of $L(\lambda)$.

Self-Extensions for G_r and $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$

Andersen '84: $\text{Ext}_{G_r}^1(L(\lambda), L(\lambda)) = 0$ for $\lambda \in X(T)_+$, except in Type C_n when $p = 2$

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For $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$, the answer differs for $r = 1$ vs. $r > 1$ and remains open in small primes.

B-Nakano-Pillen '04: For $p \geq 3(h - 1)$, $r \geq 2$, and $\lambda, \mu \in X_r(T)$.

- If $\lambda_{r-1} = \mu_{r-1}$, then $\text{Ext}_{G(\mathbb{F}_q)}^1(L(\lambda), L(\mu)) \cong \text{Ext}_G^1(L(\lambda), L(\mu))$.
- In particular, $\text{Ext}_{G(\mathbb{F}_q)}^1(L(\lambda), L(\lambda)) = 0$.

This uses the above G_r result.

Self-Extensions for $G(\mathbb{F}_p)$

Let $p \geq 3(h-1)$ and $\lambda \in X_1(T)$. If either

- (a) G does not have underlying root system of type A_1 or C_n or
- (b) $\langle \lambda, \alpha_n^\vee \rangle \neq \frac{p-2-c}{2}$, where α_n is the long simple root and c is an odd integer with $0 < |c| \leq h-1$,

then $\text{Ext}_{G(\mathbb{F}_p)}^1(L(\lambda), L(\lambda)) = 0$.

Pillen '06: constructed classes in the excluded cases for all ranks and all odd primes

Bounding Dimensions

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Main case: finite groups of Lie type

For many years thought to be small:

- 2?
- then 3 - Scott '03
- until AIM Workshop in 2012 ...
- Very large examples - computations of Lübeck and Scott-Sprowl '13

Cline-Parshall-Scott '09: There is a bound depending only on the root system

$$\dim H^1(G(\mathbb{F}_q), L(\lambda)) \leq C(\Phi)$$

Parshall-Scott '11: Existence of bound for $\dim \text{Ext}_{G(\mathbb{F}_q)}^1(L(\lambda), L(\mu))$

Guralnick-Tiep '11: Bounds in the non-defining (or cross-characteristic case)

Parker-Stewart '14: Precise bounds and rate of growth of the max dimension relative to the rank

The $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$ results were generally obtained by relating $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$ -Extensions to G -Extensions and knowing bounds there.

Parshall-Scott '11: Existence of a bound on $\dim H^i(G, L(\lambda))$

- Depending on Φ and i
- Also an Ext-version

Stewart '12: Existence of simple SL_2 -modules with $\dim H^{2n}(SL_2, L) \geq 2^{n-1}$

- i.e., exponential growth in the degree

B-Nakano-Parshall-Pillen-Scott-Stewart '15: Existence of a bound on $\dim H^i(G(\mathbb{F}_q), L(\lambda))$

- Depending on Φ and i
- Also an Ext-version
- Also a version for Frobenius kernels - G_r
- For G_r - existence of cohomology which grows with the rank

Still open question to illustrate precise bounds.

Bounding in Terms of Dimensions

Many results, for G or $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$ or finite groups in general, of the form

$$\dim H^i(G, M) \leq C \cdot \dim M$$

For example, for quasi-simple finite groups

- Guralnick-Hoffman '98: Degree 1 and M irreducible
 - $C = 1/2$
- Guralnick-Kantor-Kassabov-Lubotzky '07: Degree 2
 - $C = 17.5$

- AIM Group: B-Boe-Drupieski-Nakano-Parshall-Pillen-Wright '14
 - For B - and G -cohomology - arbitrary modules
 - Degrees 1, 2: $C = 1$
 - Degree 3 with $p > h$: $C = 2$
 - For $G(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and sufficiently large r - arbitrary modules
 - Degree 1: $C = 1/h$
 - Degree 2: $C = 1$
 - Degree 3 with $p > h$: $C = 2$

Again, open questions remain . . .

The End

Bottom-Line: There are many, many questions out there waiting to be answered ...

Thank you!