## Symmetric crystals and affine Hecke algebras of type B

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**Abstract:** The Lascoux-Leclerc-Thibon conjecture, reformulated and solved by S. Ariki, asserts that the K-group of the representations of the affine Hecke algebras of type A is isomorphic to the algebra of functions on the maximal unipotent subgroup of the group associated with a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  where  $\mathfrak{g}$  is  $\mathfrak{gl}_{\infty}$  or the affine Lie algebra  $A_{\ell}^{(1)}$ , and the irreducible representations correspond to the upper global bases. In this note, we formulate analogous conjectures for certain classes of irreducible representations of affine Hecke algebras of type B.

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1. Introduction. The purpose of this note is to formulate and explain conjectures on certain classes of irreducible representations of affine Hecke algebras of type B analogous to the Lascoux-Leclerc-Thibon conjecture ([3]), reformulated and solved by S. Ariki, on affine Hecke algebras of type A.

Let us begin by recalling the Lascoux-Leclerc-Thibon conjecture solved by S. Ariki ([1]). Let  $H_n^A$  be the affine Hecke algebra of type A of degree *n*. Let  $K_n^A$  be the Grothendieck group of the abelian category of finite-dimensional  $\mathbf{H}_n^{\mathbf{A}}$ -modules, and  $\mathbf{K}^{\mathbf{A}} = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} \mathbf{K}^{\mathbf{A}}_{n}$ . Then it has a structure of Hopf algebra by the restriction and the induction (cf. §3.3). The set  $I = \mathbf{C}^*$  may be regarded as a Dynkin diagram with I as the set of vertices and with edges between  $a \in I$  and  $ap_1^2$  (see (7)). Here  $p_1$ is the parameter of the affine Hecke algebra usually denoted by q. Let  $\mathfrak{g}_I$  be the associated Lie algebra, and  $\mathfrak{g}_I^-$  the unipotent Lie subalgebra. Hence  $\mathfrak{g}_I$  is isomorphic to a direct sum of copies of  $A_{\ell}^{(1)}$  if  $p_1^2$  is a primitive  $\ell$ -th root of unity and to a direct sum of copies of  $\mathfrak{gl}_{\infty}$  if  $p_1$  has an infinite order. Let  $U_I$ be the group associated to  $\mathfrak{g}_I^-$ . Then  $\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{K}^{\mathbf{A}}$  is isomorphic to the algebra  $\mathscr{O}(U_I)$  of regular functions on  $U_I$ . Let  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_I)$  be the associated quantized enveloping algebra. Then  $U_a^-(\mathfrak{g}_I)$  has an upper global basis  $\{G^{\mathrm{up}}(b)\}_{b\in B(\infty)}$ . By specializing  $\bigoplus \mathbf{C}[q,q^{-1}]G^{\mathrm{up}}(b)$ at q = 1, we obtain  $\mathcal{O}(U_I)$ . Then the LLT-conjecture says that the elements associated to irreducible H<sup>A</sup>modules corresponds to the image of the upper global basis.

In this note, we shall formulate analogous conjectures for affine Hecke algebras of type B. In the type B case, we have to replace  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g}_I)$  and its upper global basis with a new object, the symmetric crystals (see § 2). It is roughly stated as follows. Let  $\mathcal{H}_n^{\mathrm{B}}$  be the affine Hecke algebra of type B of degree n. Let  $\mathcal{K}_n^{\mathrm{B}}$  be the Grothendieck group of the abelian category of finite-dimensional modules over  $\mathcal{H}_n^{\mathrm{B}}$ , and  $\mathcal{K}^{\mathrm{B}} = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{K}_n^{\mathrm{B}}$ . Then  $\mathcal{K}^{\mathrm{B}}$  has a structure of a Hopf bimodule over  $\mathcal{K}^{\mathrm{A}}$ . The group  $U_I$  has an involution  $\theta$  induced by the involution  $a \mapsto a^{-1}$  of  $I = \mathbb{C}^*$ . Let  $U_I^{\theta}$  be the  $\theta$ -fixed point set of  $U_I$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}(U_I^{\theta})$  is a quotient ring of  $\mathcal{O}(U_I)$ . The action of  $\mathcal{O}(U_I) \simeq \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathcal{K}^{\mathrm{A}}$  on  $\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathcal{K}^{\mathrm{B}}$ , in fact, descends to the action of  $\mathcal{O}(U_I^{\theta})$ .

We introduce  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  (see § 2), a kind of the *q*-analogue of  $\mathscr{O}(U_I^{\theta})$ . Our conjecture is then:

- (i)  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  has a crystal basis and a global basis.
- (ii)  $K^{B}$  is isomorphic to a specialization of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  at q = 1 as an  $\mathscr{O}(U_{I})$ -module, and the irreducible representations correspond to the upper global basis of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  at q = 1.

We exclude the representations of  $H_n^B$  such that  $X_i$  have an eigenvalue  $\pm 1$  (see § 3).

2. Symmetric crystals. In this section, we shall introduce crystals associated with quantum groups with an involution.

**2.1.** Quantized universal enveloping algebras. We shall recall the quantized universal enveloping algebra  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ . Let I be an index set (for simple roots), and Q the free **Z**-module with a basis  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i\in I}$ . Let  $(\bullet, \bullet): Q \times Q \to \mathbf{Z}$  be a symmetric bi-

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linear form such that  $(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)/2 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  for any i and  $(\alpha_i^{\vee}, \alpha_j) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}$  for  $i \neq j$  where  $\alpha_i^{\vee} := 2\alpha_i/(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)$ . Let q be an indeterminate and set  $K := \mathbb{Q}(q)$ . We define its subrings  $\mathbf{A}_0, \mathbf{A}_\infty$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  as follows:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{A}_0 &= \{ f/g \, ; \, f(q), g(q) \in \mathbf{Q}[q], \, g(0) \neq 0 \} \,, \\ \mathbf{A}_\infty &= \{ f/g \, ; \, f(q^{-1}), g(q^{-1}) \in \mathbf{Q}[q^{-1}], \\ g(q^{-1})|_{q^{-1}=0} \neq 0 \}, \\ \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{Q}[q, q^{-1}]. \end{split}$$

**Definition 2.1.** The quantized universal enveloping algebra  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  is the K-algebra generated by the elements  $e_i$ ,  $f_i$  and invertible elements  $t_i$   $(i \in I)$  with the following defining relations.

- (i) The  $t_i$ 's commute with each other.
- (ii)  $t_j e_i t_j^{-1} = q^{(\alpha_j, \alpha_i)} e_i$  and  $t_j f_i t_j^{-1} = q^{-(\alpha_j, \alpha_i)} f_i$  for any  $i, j \in I$ .
- (iii)  $[e_i, f_j] = \delta_{ij} \frac{t_i t_i^{-1}}{q_i q_i^{-1}}$  for  $i, j \in I$ . Here  $q_i := q^{(\alpha_i, \alpha_i)/2}$ .
- (iv) (Serre relation) For  $i \neq j$ ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{b} (-1)^{k} e_{i}^{(k)} e_{j} e_{i}^{(b-k)} = 0,$$
$$\sum_{k=0}^{b} (-1)^{k} f_{i}^{(k)} f_{j} f_{i}^{(b-k)} = 0.$$

Here 
$$b = 1 - (\alpha_i^{\vee}, \alpha_j)$$
 and  
 $e_i^{(k)} = e_i^k / [k]_i!, \ f_i^{(k)} = f_i^k / [k]_i!, \ [k]_i = (q_i^k - q_i^{-k}) / (q_i - q_i^{-1}), \ [k]_i! = [1]_i \cdots [k]_i.$ 

Let us denote by  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$  (resp.  $U_q^+(\mathfrak{g})$ ) the subalgebra of  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  generated by the  $f_i$ 's (resp. the  $e_i$ 's). Let us recall the crystal theory of  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$  ([4]). Let  $e'_i$  and  $e^*_i$  be the operators on  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$  defined by

$$[e_i, a] = \frac{(e_i^* a)t_i - t_i^{-1} e_i' a}{q_i - q_i^{-1}} \quad (a \in U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})).$$

Then these operators satisfy the following formula similar to derivations:

$$e'_i(ab) = e'_i(a)b + (\mathrm{Ad}(t_i)a)e'_ib,$$
  

$$e^*_i(ab) = ae^*_ib + (e^*_ia)(\mathrm{Ad}(t_i)b).$$

Then  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$  has a unique symmetric bilinear form  $(\bullet, \bullet)$  such that (1, 1) = 1 and

$$(e'_i a, b) = (a, f_i b)$$
 for any  $a, b \in U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$ .

It is non-degenerate and satisfies  $(e_i^*a, b) = (a, bf_i)$ . The left multiplication of  $f_j$  and  $e'_i$  have the commutation relation

$$e_i'f_j = q^{-(\alpha_i,\alpha_j)}f_je_i' + \delta_{ij},$$

and both the  $e'_i$ 's and the  $f_i$ 's satisfy the Serre relations. Since  $e'_i$  and  $f_i$  satisfy the q-boson relation, any element  $a \in U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$  can be written uniquely as

$$a = \sum_{n \ge 0} f_i^{(n)} a_n \quad \text{with } e_i' a_n = 0.$$

We define the modified root operators by

(1) 
$$\tilde{e}_i a = \sum_{n \ge 1} f_i^{(n-1)} a_n \quad \text{and} \\ \tilde{f}_i a = \sum_{n \ge 0} f_i^{(n+1)} a_n.$$

Let  $L(\infty)$  be the  $\mathbf{A}_0$ -submodule of  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$ generated by the  $\tilde{f}_{i_1}\cdots \tilde{f}_{i_\ell}$  1's  $(\ell \geq 0, i_1,\ldots,i_\ell \in I)$ . Let  $B(\infty)$  be the subset  $\left\{\tilde{f}_{i_1}\cdots \tilde{f}_{i_\ell} \mod qL(\infty) ; \ell \geq 0, i_1,\ldots,i_\ell \in I\right\}$  of  $L(\infty)/qL(\infty)$ . Then we have

- **Theorem 2.2.** (i)  $\tilde{f}_i L(\infty) \subset L(\infty)$  and  $\tilde{e}_i L(\infty) \subset L(\infty)$ ,
- (ii)  $B(\infty)$  is a basis of  $L(\infty)/qL(\infty)$ ,
- (iii)  $\tilde{f}_i B(\infty) \subset B(\infty)$  and  $\tilde{e}_i B(\infty) \subset B(\infty) \sqcup \{0\}$ .

**2.2.** Global bases. Let – be the automorphism of K sending q to  $q^{-1}$ . Then  $\overline{\mathbf{A}_0}$  coincides with  $\mathbf{A}_{\infty}$ . Let V be a vector space over K,  $L_0$  an A-submodule of V,  $L_{\infty}$  an  $\mathbf{A}_{\infty}$ - submodule, and  $V_{\mathbf{A}}$  an  $\mathbf{A}$ -submodule. Set  $E := L_0 \cap L_{\infty} \cap V_{\mathbf{A}}$ .

**Definition 2.3** ([4]). We say that  $(L_0, L_{\infty}, V_{\mathbf{A}})$  is balanced if each of  $L_0$ ,  $L_{\infty}$  and  $V_{\mathbf{A}}$  generates V as a K-vector space, and if one of the following equivalent conditions is satisfied.

- (i)  $E \to L_0/qL_0$  is an isomorphism,
- (ii)  $E \to L_{\infty}/q^{-1}L_{\infty}$  is an isomorphism,
- (iii)  $(L_0 \cap V_{\mathbf{A}}) \oplus (q^{-1}L_{\infty} \cap V_{\mathbf{A}}) \to V_{\mathbf{A}}$  is an isomorphism.
- (iv)  $\mathbf{A}_0 \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} E \to L_0, \ \mathbf{A}_\infty \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} E \to L_\infty, \ \mathbf{A} \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} E \to V_{\mathbf{A}} \ and \ K \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} E \to V \ are \ isomorphisms.$

Let – be the ring automorphism of  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  sending  $q, t_i, e_i, f_i$  to  $q^{-1}, t_i^{-1}, e_i, f_i$ .

Let  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbf{A}}$  be the **A**-subalgebra of  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$  generated by  $e_i^{(n)}$ ,  $f_i^{(n)}$  and  $t_i$ . Similarly we define  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbf{A}}$ .

Theorem 2.4.  $(L(\infty), L(\infty)^-, U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbf{A}})$  is balanced.

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Let

$$G\colon L(\infty)/qL(\infty) \xrightarrow{\sim} E := L(\infty) \cap L(\infty)^- \cap U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbf{A}}$$

be the inverse of  $E \xrightarrow{\sim} L(\infty)/qL(\infty)$ . Then  $\{G(b); b \in B(\infty)\}$  forms a basis of  $U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})$ . We call it a (lower) global basis. It is first introduced by G. Lusztig ([5]) under the name of "canonical basis" for the A,D,E cases.

**2.3.** Symmetry. Let  $\theta$  be an automorphism of I such that  $\theta^2 = \text{id}$  and  $(\alpha_{\theta(i)}, \alpha_{\theta(j)}) = (\alpha_i, \alpha_j)$ . Hence it extends to an automorphism of the root lattice Q by  $\theta(\alpha_i) = \alpha_{\theta(i)}$ , and induces an automorphism of  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ .

Let  $\mathcal{B}_{\theta}(\mathfrak{g})$  be the *K*-algebra generated by  $E_i$ ,  $F_i$ , and invertible elements  $T_i$   $(i \in I)$  satisfying the followin gdefining relations:

- (i) the  $T_i$ 's commute with each other,
- (ii)  $T_{\theta(i)} = T_i$  for any i,

(iii) 
$$T_i E_j T_i^{-1} = q^{(\alpha_i + \alpha_{\theta(i)}, \alpha_j)} E_j$$
 and  $T_i F_j T_i^{-1}$   
=  $q^{(\alpha_i + \alpha_{\theta(i)}, -\alpha_j)} F_j$  for  $i, j \in I$ ,

(iv)  $E_i F_j = q^{-(\alpha_i, \alpha_j)} F_j E_i + (\delta_{i,j} + \delta_{\theta(i),j} T_i)$  for  $i, j \in I$ ,

(v) the  $E_i$ 's and the  $F_i$ 's satisfy the Serre relations.

Hence  $\mathcal{B}_{\theta}(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq U_q^-(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes K[T_i^{\pm 1}; i \in I] \otimes U_q^+(\mathfrak{g})$ . We set  $E_i^{(n)} = E_i^n/[n]_i!$  and  $F_i^{(n)} = F_i^n/[n]_i!$ .

Let  $\lambda \in P_+ := \{\lambda \in \operatorname{Hom}(Q, \mathbf{Q}) ; \langle \alpha_i^{\vee}, \lambda \rangle \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ for any  $i \in I \}$  be a dominant integral weight such that  $\theta(\lambda) = \lambda$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** (i) There exists a  $\mathcal{B}_{\theta}(\mathfrak{g})$ module  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  generated by a vector  $\phi_{\lambda}$  such that

- (a)  $E_i \phi_{\lambda} = 0$  for any  $i \in I$ ,
- (b)  $T_i \phi_{\lambda} = q^{(\alpha_i, \lambda)} \phi_{\lambda}$  for any  $i \in I$ ,
- (c)  $\{u \in V_{\theta}(\lambda) ; E_i u = 0 \text{ for any } i \in I\}$ =  $K \phi_{\lambda}$ .

Moreover such a  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  is irreducible and unique up to an isomorphism.

(ii) there exists a unique symmetric bilinear form  $(\bullet, \bullet)$  on  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  such that  $(\phi_{\lambda}, \phi_{\lambda}) = 1$  and  $(E_i u, v) = (u, F_i v)$  for any  $i \in I$  and  $u, v \in V_{\theta}(\lambda)$ , and it is non-degenerate.

The pair  $(\mathcal{B}_{\theta}(\mathfrak{g}), V_{\theta}(\lambda))$  is an analogue of  $(\mathcal{B}, U_q^{-}(\mathfrak{g}))$ . Such a  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  is constructed as follows. Let  $U_q^{-}(\mathfrak{g})\phi'_{\lambda}$  and  $U_q^{-}(\mathfrak{g})\phi'_{\lambda}$  be a copy of a free  $U_q^{-}(\mathfrak{g})$ -module. We give the structure of a  $\mathcal{B}_{\theta}(\mathfrak{g})$ -module on them as follows: for any  $i \in I$  and  $a \in U_q^{-}(\mathfrak{g})$ 

(2) 
$$\begin{cases} T_i(a\phi'_{\lambda}) = q^{(\alpha_i,\lambda)} (\operatorname{Ad}(t_i t_{\theta(i)}) a) \phi'_{\lambda}, \\ E_i(a\phi'_{\lambda}) = (e'_i a + q^{(\alpha_i,\lambda)} \operatorname{Ad}(t_i)(e^*_{\theta(i)} a)) \phi'_{\lambda}, \\ F_i(a\phi'_{\lambda}) = (f_i a) \phi'_{\lambda} \end{cases}$$

and

(3) 
$$\begin{cases} T_i(a\phi_{\lambda}'') = q^{(\alpha_i,\lambda)}(\operatorname{Ad}(t_i t_{\theta(i)})a)\phi_{\lambda}'', \\ E_i(a\phi_{\lambda}'') = (e_i'a)\phi_{\lambda}'', \\ F_i(a\phi_{\lambda}'') = (f_i a + q^{(\alpha_i,\lambda)}(\operatorname{Ad}(t_i)a)f_{\theta(i)})\phi_{\lambda}''. \end{cases}$$

Then there exists a unique  $\mathcal{B}_{\theta}(\mathfrak{g})$ -linear morphism  $\psi: U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})\phi'_{\lambda} \to U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})\phi''_{\lambda}$  sending  $\phi'_{\lambda}$  to  $\phi''_{\lambda}$ . Its image  $\psi(U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})\phi'_{\lambda})$  is  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$ .

Hereafter we assume further that

(4) there is no  $i \in I$  such that  $\theta(i) = i$ .

We conjecture that  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  has a crystal basis. This means the following. We define the modified root operators similarly to (1):

$$\tilde{E}_i(u) = \sum_{n \ge 1} F_i^{(n-1)} u_n \text{ and } \tilde{F}_i(u) = \sum_{n \ge 0} F_i^{(n+1)} u_n$$

when writing  $u = \sum_{n\geq 0} F_i^{(n)} u_n$  with  $E_i u_n = 0$ . Let  $L_{\theta}(\lambda)$  be the **A**<sub>0</sub>-submodule of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$ generated by  $\tilde{F}_{i_1} \cdots \tilde{F}_{i_\ell} \phi_{\lambda}$  ( $\ell \geq 0$  and  $i_1, \ldots, i_\ell \in I$ ), and let  $B_{\theta}(\lambda)$  be the subset  $\left\{ \tilde{F}_{i_1} \cdots \tilde{F}_{i_\ell} \phi_{\lambda} \mod q L_{\theta}(\lambda) ; \ell \geq 0, i_1, \ldots, i_\ell \in I \right\}$  of  $L_{\theta}(\lambda)/q L_{\theta}(\lambda)$ .

**Conjecture 2.6.** (i)  $\tilde{F}_i L_{\theta}(\lambda) \subset L_{\theta}(\lambda)$  and  $\tilde{E}_i L_{\theta}(\lambda) \subset L_{\theta}(\lambda)$ ,

- (ii)  $B_{\theta}(\lambda)$  is a basis of  $L_{\theta}(\lambda)/qL_{\theta}(\lambda)$ ,
- (iii)  $\tilde{F}_i B_{\theta}(\lambda) \subset B_{\theta}(\lambda)$ , and  $\tilde{E}_i B_{\theta}(\lambda) \subset B_{\theta}(\lambda) \sqcup \{0\}$ . Moreover we conjecture that  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  has a global crystal basis. Namely, let – be the bar-operator of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  given by  $-: a\phi_{\lambda} \to \bar{a}\phi_{\lambda} \ (a \in U_q^-(\mathfrak{g}))$  (such an operator exists).

Conjecture 2.7.  $(L_{\theta}(\lambda), L_{\theta}(\lambda)^{-}, U_{q}^{-}(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbf{A}}\phi_{\lambda})$  is balanced.

Assume that this conjecture is true. Let  $G^{\text{low}}: L_{\theta}(\lambda)/qL_{\theta}(\lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} E := L_{\theta}(\lambda) \cap L_{\theta}(\lambda)^{-} \cap U_{q}^{-}(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbf{A}}\phi_{\lambda}$  be the inverse of  $E \xrightarrow{\sim} L_{\theta}(\lambda)/qL_{\theta}(\lambda)$ . Then  $\{G^{\text{low}}(b); b \in B_{\theta}(\lambda)\}$  forms a basis of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$ . We call this basis the *lower global basis* of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$ . Let  $\{G^{\text{up}}(b); b \in B_{\theta}(\lambda)\}$  be the dual basis to  $\{G^{\text{low}}(b); b \in B_{\theta}(\lambda)\}$  with respect to the inner product of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$ . We call it the *upper global basis* of  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$ . We can prove the conjectures in the  $\mathfrak{gl}_{\infty}$ -case:



**Theorem 2.8.** Let I be the set  $\mathbf{Z}_{odd}$  of odd integers. Define

$$(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } i = j, \\ -1 & \text{if } i = j \pm 2, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and  $\theta(i) = -i$ . Then, for  $\lambda = 0$ ,  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  has a crystal basis and a global basis.

Note that  $\{a \in U_q^-(\mathfrak{g}); a\phi_\lambda = 0\} = \sum_i U_q^-(\mathfrak{g})(f_i - f_{\theta(i)})$  in this case.

The proof is by using a kind of PBW basis, similarly to [5]. The details will appear elsewhere.

The following diagram is the part of the crystal graph of  $B_{\theta}(\lambda)$  that concerns only the 1-arrows and the (-1)-arrows.

$$\phi_{\lambda} \xrightarrow[-1]{} \circ \cdots$$

Here is the part of the crystal graph of  $B_{\theta}(\lambda)$  that concerns only the *n*-arrows and the (-n)-arrows for an odd integer  $n \geq 3$ :

$$\phi_{\lambda} \xrightarrow[-n]{n} \circ \xrightarrow[-n]{n} \circ \xrightarrow[-n]{n} \circ \xrightarrow[-n]{n} \circ \cdots$$

## 3. Affine Hecke algebra of type B.

**3.1. Definition.** For  $p_0, p_1 \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , the affine Hecke algebra  $H_n^B$  of type  $B_n$  is the C-algebra generated by  $T_i$   $(0 \leq i < n)$  and invertible elements  $X_i$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$  satisfying the defining relations:

- (i) the  $X_i$ 's commute with each other,
- (ii) the  $T_i$ 's satisfy the braid relation:  $T_0T_1T_0T_1 = T_1T_0T_1T_0, T_iT_{i+1}T_i = T_{i+1}T_iT_{i+1} \ (1 \le i < n 1), T_iT_j = T_jT_i \ (|i j| > 1),$
- (iii)  $(T_0-p_0)(T_0+p_0^{-1}) = 0$  and  $(T_i-p_1)(T_i+p_1^{-1}) = 0$   $(1 \le i < n),$
- (iv)  $T_0 X_1^{-1} T_0 = X_1, \ T_i X_i T_i = X_{i+1} \ (1 \le i < n),$ and  $T_i X_j = X_j T_i$  if  $j \ne i, i+1$ .

We assume that  $p_0, p_1 \in \mathbf{C}^*$  satisfy

5) 
$$p_0^2 \neq 1, p_1^2 \neq 1.$$

Let us denote by  $\operatorname{Pol}_n$  the Laurent polynomial ring  $\mathbf{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, X_n^{\pm 1}]$ , and by  $\operatorname{Pol}_n$  its quotient field  $\mathbf{C}(X_1, \ldots, X_n)$ . Then  $\mathrm{H}_n^{\mathrm{B}}$  is isomorphic to the tensor product of  $\operatorname{Pol}_n$  and the subalgebra generated by the  $T_i$ 's that is isomorphic to the Hecke algebra of type  $B_n$ . We have

$$\begin{split} T_{i}a &= (s_{i}a)T_{i} + (p_{i} - p_{i}^{-1})\frac{a - s_{i}a}{1 - X^{-\alpha_{i}^{\vee}}} & \text{for } a \in \mathbf{Pol}_{n}.\\ \text{Here } p_{i} &= p_{1} \ (1 < i < n), \text{ and } X^{-\alpha_{i}^{\vee}} = X_{1}^{-2}\\ (i &= 0) \text{ and } X^{-\alpha_{i}^{\vee}} &= X_{i}X_{i+1}^{-1} \ (1 \leq i < n).\\ \text{The } s_{i}\text{'s are the Weyl group action on } \mathbf{Pol}_{n}:\\ (s_{i}a)(X_{1}, \dots, X_{n}) &= a(X_{1}^{-1}, X_{2}, \dots, X_{n})\\ \text{for } i &= 0 \text{ and } (s_{i}a)(X_{1}, \dots, X_{n}) = a(X_{1}, \dots, X_{n}) \text{ for } 1 \leq i < n.\\ \text{Note that } \mathbf{H}_{n}^{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{C} \text{ for } n = 0. \end{split}$$

**3.2.** Intertwiner. The algebra  $\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}}$  acts faithfully on  $\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}} / \sum_{i} \operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}} (T_{i} - p_{i}) \simeq \operatorname{Pol}_{n}$ . Set  $\varphi_{i} = (1 - X^{-\alpha_{i}^{\vee}})T_{i} - (p_{i} - p_{i}^{-1}) \in \operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}}$  and  $\tilde{\varphi}_{i} = (p_{i}^{-1} - p_{i}X^{-\alpha_{i}^{\vee}})^{-1}\varphi_{i} \in \operatorname{Pol}_{n} \otimes_{\operatorname{Pol}_{n}} \operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}}$ . Then the action of  $\tilde{\varphi}_{i}$  on  $\operatorname{Pol}_{n}$  coincides with  $s_{i}$ . They are called intertwiners.

**3.3.** Affine Hecke algebra of type A. We will review the LLT conjecture, reformulated and solved by S. Ariki, on the affine Hecke algebras of type A.

The affine Hecke algebra  $\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{A}}$  of type  $A_{n}$  is isomorphic to the subalgebra of  $\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}}$  generated by  $T_{i}$   $(1 \leq i < n)$  and  $X_{i}^{\pm 1}$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$ . For a finitedimensional  $\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{A}}$ -module M let us decompose

(6) 
$$M = \bigoplus_{a \in (\mathbf{C}^*)^n} M_a$$

where  $M_a = \{u \in M; (X_i - a_i)^N u = 0 \text{ for any } i$ and  $N \gg 0\}$  for  $a = (a_1, \ldots, a_n) \in (\mathbf{C}^*)^n$ . For a subset  $I \subset \mathbf{C}^*$ , we say that M is of type I if all the eigenvalues of  $X_i$  belong to I. The group  $\mathbf{Z}$  acts on  $\mathbf{C}^*$  by  $\mathbf{Z} \ni n: a \mapsto ap_1^{2n}$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** Let I and J be  $\mathbb{Z}$ -invariant subsets in  $\mathbb{C}^*$  such that  $I \cap J = \emptyset$ .

- (i) If M is an irreducible H<sup>A</sup><sub>m</sub>-module of type I and N is an irreducible H<sup>A</sup><sub>n</sub>-module of type J, then Ind<sup>H<sup>A</sup><sub>m+n</sub></sup><sub>H<sup>A</sup><sub>m</sub>⊗H<sup>A</sup><sub>n</sub></sub>(M ⊗ N) is irreducible of type I ∪ J.
- (ii) Conversely if L is an irreducible H<sup>A</sup><sub>n</sub>-module of type I ∪ J, then there exist m (0 ≤ m ≤ n), an irreducible H<sup>A</sup><sub>m</sub>-module M of type I and an irreducible H<sup>A</sup><sub>n-m</sub>-module N of type J such that L is isomorphic to Ind<sup>H<sup>A</sup><sub>n</sub></sup><sub>H<sup>A</sup><sub>m</sub>⊗H<sup>A</sup><sub>n-m</sub></sub>(M ⊗ N).

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Hence in order to study the irreducible modules over the affine Hecke algebras of type A, it is enough to treat the irreducible modules of type I for an orbit I with respect to the **Z**-action on  $\mathbf{C}^*$ . Let  $\mathbf{K}_{I,n}^{\mathbf{A}}$ be the Grothendieck group of the abelian category of finite-dimensional  $\mathbf{H}_n^{\mathbf{A}}$ -modules of type I. We set  $\mathbf{K}_I^{\mathbf{A}} = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} \mathbf{K}_{I,n}^{\mathbf{A}}$ . Then  $\mathbf{K}_I^{\mathbf{A}}$  has a structure of Hopf algebra where the product and the coproduct

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \colon \, \mathbf{K}_{I,m}^{\mathbf{A}} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{I,n}^{\mathbf{A}} &\to \mathbf{K}_{I,m+n}^{\mathbf{A}}, \\ \Delta \colon \, \mathbf{K}_{I,n}^{\mathbf{A}} &\to \bigoplus_{i+j=n} \mathbf{K}_{I,i}^{\mathbf{A}} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{I,j}^{\mathbf{A}} \end{aligned}$$

are given by  $M \otimes N \mapsto \operatorname{Ind}_{\operatorname{H}^{A}_{m+n}}^{\operatorname{H}^{A}_{m+n}}(M \otimes N)$  and by  $M \mapsto \operatorname{Res}_{\operatorname{H}^{A}_{i} \otimes \operatorname{H}^{A}_{j}}^{\operatorname{H}^{A}_{n}}M$ . Let  $\mathfrak{g}_{I}$  be the Lie algebra associated to the Dynkin diagram with I as the set of vertices and with edges between a and  $ap_{1}^{2}$   $(a \in I)$ . It means

(7) 
$$(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = 2\delta_{i,j} - \delta_{i,p_1^2 j} - \delta_{p_1^2 i,j}$$
 for  $i, j \in I$ .

Let  $U_I$  be the unipotent group associated with the Lie subalgebra  $\mathfrak{g}_I^-$  of  $\mathfrak{g}_I$  generated by the  $f_i$ 's. Then we have

**Lemma 3.2.** Let I be a **Z**-invariant set. Then  $\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{I}^{\mathbf{A}}$  is isomorphic to the algebra  $\mathscr{O}(U_{I})$  of the regular functions on  $U_{I}$  as a Hopf algebra.

Here, for  $a \in I$ ,  $f_a$  corresponds to the onedimensional  $\mathrm{H}_1^{\mathrm{A}}$ -module  $\mathbf{C}_a$  on which  $X_1$  acts by a. Let  $\{G^{\mathrm{up}}(b)\}_{b\in B(\infty)}$  be the upper global basis of  $U_q^{-}(\mathfrak{g})$ . Then  $(\bigoplus \mathbf{C}[q, q^{-1}]G^{\mathrm{up}}(b))/((q - 1) \bigoplus \mathbf{C}[q, q^{-1}]G^{\mathrm{up}}(b))$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O}(U_I)$ . The following theorem is conjectured for Hecke algebras of type A by Lascoux-Leclerc-Thibon ([3]) and reformulated and proved by S. Ariki ([1]) for affine Hecke algebras of type A.

**Theorem 3.3.** The elements of  $K^A$  associated to irreducible  $H^A$ -modules correspond to the upper global basis  $G^{up}(b)$  by the isomorphism above.

Hence the irreducible modules are parametrized by  $B(\infty)$ . Grojnowski ([2]) constructed the operators  $\tilde{e}_a$  and  $\tilde{f}_a$  on  $B(\infty)$  in terms of irreducible modules. The operator  $\tilde{e}_a$  sends an irreducible  $\mathcal{H}_n^A$ module M to a unique irreducible submodule of the  $\mathcal{H}_{n-1}^A$ -module  $\{u \in M ; (X_n - a)u = 0\}$ . The operator  $\tilde{f}_a$  sends an irreducible  $\mathcal{H}_n^A$  module M to a unique irreducible quotient of the  $\mathcal{H}_{n+1}^A$ -module  $\mathcal{Ind}_{\mathcal{H}_n^A \otimes \mathcal{H}_1^A}^{\mathcal{H}_{n+1}}(M \otimes \mathbf{C}_a)$ .

**3.4.** Representations of affine Hecke algebras of type B. For  $n, m \ge 0$ ,

set  $\mathbf{F}_{n,m} := \mathbf{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_{n+m}^{\pm 1}, D^{-1}]$  where  $D := \prod_{1 \le i \le n < j \le n+m} (X_i - p_1^2 X_j)(X_i - p_1^{-2} X_j))$ . Then we can embed  $\mathbf{H}_m^{\mathbf{B}}$  into  $\mathbf{H}_{n+m}^{\mathbf{B}} \otimes_{\mathbf{Pol}_{n+m}} \mathbf{F}_{n,m}$  by

$$T_{0} \mapsto \tilde{\varphi}_{n} \cdots \tilde{\varphi}_{1} T_{0} \tilde{\varphi}_{1} \cdots \tilde{\varphi}_{n},$$
  
$$T_{i} \mapsto T_{i+n} \ (1 \le i < m), \ X_{i} \mapsto X_{i+n} \ (1 \le i \le m).$$

Its image commute with  $H_n^B \subset H_{n+m}^B$ . Hence  $H_{n+m}^B \otimes_{\mathbf{Pol}_{n+m}} \mathbf{F}_{n,m}$  is a right  $H_n^B \otimes H_m^B$ -module.

$$\mathbf{Lemma 3.4.} \ \mathbf{H}_{n+m}^{\mathrm{A}} \underset{\mathbf{H}_{n}^{\mathrm{A}} \otimes \mathbf{H}_{m}^{\mathrm{A}}}{\otimes} \left(\mathbf{H}_{n}^{\mathrm{B}} \otimes \mathbf{H}_{m}^{\mathrm{B}}\right) \otimes_{\mathbf{Pol}_{n+m}}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{n,m} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbf{H}_{n+m}^{\mathbf{B}} \otimes_{\mathbf{Pol}_{n+m}} \mathbf{F}_{n,m}.$$

For a finite-dimensional  $\mathrm{H}_{n}^{\mathrm{B}}$ -module M, we decompose M as in (6). The semidirect product group  $\mathbf{Z}_{2} \times \mathbf{Z} = \{1, -1\} \times \mathbf{Z}$  acts on  $\mathbf{C}^{*}$  by  $(\epsilon, n) : a \mapsto a^{\epsilon} p_{1}^{2n}$ .

Let I and J be  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}$ -invariant subsets of  $\mathbb{C}^*$ such that  $I \cap J = \emptyset$ . Then for an  $\mathrm{H}_n^{\mathrm{B}}$ -module N of type I and  $\mathrm{H}_m^{\mathrm{B}}$ -module M of type J, the action of  $\mathrm{Pol}_{n+m}$  on  $N \otimes M$  extends to an action of  $\mathbf{F}_{n,m}$ . We set

$$N \diamond M := (\mathrm{H}_{n+m}^{\mathrm{B}} \otimes_{\mathbf{Pol}_{n+m}} \mathbf{F}_{n,m}) \otimes (N \otimes M).$$
$$(\mathrm{H}_{n}^{\mathrm{B}} \otimes \mathrm{H}_{m}^{\mathrm{B}}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Pol}_{n+m}} \mathbf{F}_{n,m}$$

By the lemma above,  $N \diamond M$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ind}_{\operatorname{H}^{A}_{n+m}}^{\operatorname{H}^{A}_{n+m}}(N \otimes M)$  as an  $\operatorname{H}^{A}_{n+m}$ -module.

**Lemma 3.5.** (i) Let N be an irreducible  $H_n^B$ module of type I and M an irreducible  $H_m^B$ module of type J. Then  $N \diamond M$  is an irreducible  $H_{n+m}^B$ -module of type  $I \cup J$ .

- (ii) Conversely if L is an irreducible H<sup>B</sup><sub>n</sub>-module of type I ∪ J, then there exist an integer m (0 ≤ m ≤ n), an irreducible H<sup>B</sup><sub>m</sub>-module N of type I and an irreducible H<sup>B</sup><sub>n-m</sub>-module M of type J such that L ≃ N ◊ M.
- (iii) Assume that a  $\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}$ -orbit I decomposes into  $I = I_+ \sqcup I_-$  where  $I_{\pm}$  are  $\mathbf{Z}$ -orbits and  $I_- = (I_+)^{-1}$ . Assume that  $\pm 1, \pm p \notin I$ . Then for any irreducible  $\mathrm{H}_n^{\mathrm{B}}$ -module L of type I, there exists an irreducible  $\mathrm{H}_n^{\mathrm{A}}$ -module M such that  $L \simeq \mathrm{Ind}_{\mathrm{H}_n^{\mathrm{A}}}^{\mathrm{H}_n^{\mathrm{B}}} M$ .

Hence in order to study  $\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{B}}$ -modules, it is enough to study irreducible modules of type I for a  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}$ -orbit I in  $\mathbb{C}^*$  such that I is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -orbit or Icontains one of  $\pm 1, \pm p$ .

In this note, we don't treat the case when I contains 1 or -1.

For a  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}$ -invariant subset I of  $\mathbb{C}^*$ , we define  $\mathbb{K}_{I,n}^{\mathbb{B}}$  and  $\mathbb{K}_{I}^{\mathbb{B}}$  similarly to the case of A-type. Then

 $K_I^B$  is a (right) Hopf  $K_I^A$ -bimodule by the multiplication and the coproduct

$$\mu \colon \mathbf{K}_{I,n}^{\mathbf{B}} \times \mathbf{K}_{I,m}^{\mathbf{A}} \to \mathbf{K}_{I,n+m}^{\mathbf{B}} \text{ and} \\ \Delta \colon \mathbf{K}_{I,n}^{\mathbf{B}} \to \bigoplus_{i+j=n} \mathbf{K}_{I,i}^{\mathbf{B}} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{I,j}^{\mathbf{A}}$$

given by  $L \otimes M \mapsto \operatorname{Ind}_{\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}_{n+m}}}^{\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}_{n+m}}}(L \otimes M)$  and  $L \mapsto \operatorname{Res}_{\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}} \otimes \operatorname{H}_{j}^{\operatorname{A}}}^{\operatorname{H}_{n}^{\operatorname{B}}} L$ . Let  $\theta$  be the automorphism of I given by  $a \mapsto a^{-1}$ . Then it induces an automorphism of  $U_{I}$ . Let  $U_{I}^{\theta}$  be the  $\theta$ -fixed point sets of  $U_{I}$ . Then the action of  $\mathscr{O}(U_{I}) \simeq \mathbb{C} \otimes \operatorname{K}_{I}^{\operatorname{A}}$  on  $\operatorname{K}_{I}^{\operatorname{B}}$  descends to an action of  $\mathscr{O}(U_{I}^{\theta})$ , as it follows from the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.6.** For an irreducible  $H_n^B$ -module Land an irreducible  $H_m^A$ -module M, we have  $\mu(L \otimes M) = \mu(L \otimes M^\theta)$ , where  $M^\theta$  is the  $H_m^A$ -module induced from M by the automorphism of  $H_m^A$  given by  $X_i \mapsto X_{m+1-i}^{-1}, T_i \mapsto T_{m-i}.$ 

Now we take the case

$$I = \left\{ p_1^n \, ; n \in \mathbf{Z}_{\mathrm{odd}} \right\}.$$

Assume that any of  $\pm 1$  and  $\pm p_0$  is not contained in I. Let us define an automorphism  $\theta$  of I by  $a \mapsto a^{-1}$ . The set I may be regarded as the set of vertices of a Dynkin diagram by (7). Let  $\mathfrak{g}_I$  be the associated Lie algebra ( $\mathfrak{g}_I$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{gl}_{\infty}$  if  $p_1$  has an infinite order, and isomorphic to  $A_{\ell}^{(1)}$  if  $p_1^2$  is a primitive  $\ell$ -th root of unity). Let  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  be as in Proposition 2.5 with  $\lambda = 0$ .

**Conjecture 3.7.** (i)  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  has a crystal basis and a global basis.

(ii) C ⊗ K<sub>I</sub><sup>B</sup> is isomorphic to a specialization of V<sub>θ</sub>(λ) at q = 1 as an O(U<sub>I</sub>)-module, and the elements of K<sub>I</sub><sup>B</sup> associated with irreducible representations corresponds to the upper global basis of V<sub>θ</sub>(λ) at q = 1.

Note that (i) is nothing but Theorem 2.8 when  $p_1$  is not a root of unity.

Let us take the case

$$I = \left\{ p_0 p_1^{2n} ; n \in \mathbf{Z} \right\} \cup \left\{ p_0^{-1} p_1^{2n} ; n \in \mathbf{Z} \right\}.$$

Assume that there exists no integer n such that  $p_0^2 = p_1^{4n}$ . It includes the case where  $p_0 = p_1$  and  $p_1^{2n} \neq 1$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\text{odd}}$ . Let  $\theta$  be the automorphism of I given by  $\theta: a \mapsto a^{-1}$ . Then  $\theta$  has no fixed points. We regard I as the set of vertices of a Dynkin diagram by (7). Let  $\mathfrak{g}_I$  be the associated Lie algebra. It is isomorphic to either  $\mathfrak{gl}_{\infty} \oplus \mathfrak{gl}_{\infty}, \mathfrak{gl}_{\infty}, A_{\ell}^{(1)} \oplus A_{\ell}^{(1)}$  or  $A_{\ell}^{(1)}$ . Set  $\lambda = \Lambda_{p_0} + \Lambda_{p_0^{-1}}$  (i.e.  $(\alpha_i, \lambda) = \delta_{i,p_0} + \delta_{i,p_0^{-1}}$ ).

**Conjecture 3.8.** (i)  $V_{\theta}(\lambda)$  has a crystal basis and a global basis.

(ii) C ⊗ K<sub>I</sub><sup>B</sup> is isomorphic to a specialization of V<sub>θ</sub>(λ) at q = 1 as an 𝒪(U<sub>I</sub>)-module, and the elements of K<sub>I</sub><sup>B</sup> associated with irreducible representations corresponds to the upper global basis of V<sub>θ</sub>(λ) at q = 1.

In the both cases, we conjecture that, for an irreducible  $H_n^B$ -module M corresponding to an upper global basis  $G^{up}(b)$ , dim  $M_a$  coincides with the value of  $(\phi_{\lambda}, E_{a_1} \cdots E_{a_n} G^{up}(b))$  at q = 1 for  $a = (a_1, \ldots, a_n) \in I^n$ .

Miemietz ([6]) introduced the operators  $\tilde{e}_i$  and  $\tilde{f}_i$  on the set of isomorphic classes of irreducible modules, similarly to the A type case, and studied their properties. We conjecture that they coincide with the operators  $\tilde{E}_i$  and  $\tilde{F}_i$  on  $B_{\theta}(\lambda)$ .

**Remark 3.9.** For an 
$$\mathcal{H}_{n}^{\mathcal{B}}$$
-module  $N$ , we have  
 $\operatorname{Res}_{\mathcal{H}_{n+1}^{\mathcal{A}}}^{\mathcal{H}_{n+1}^{\mathcal{B}}} (\operatorname{Ind}_{\mathcal{H}_{n}^{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{1}^{\mathcal{A}}}^{\mathcal{H}_{n+1}^{\mathcal{B}}} (N \otimes \mathbf{C}_{a}))$   
 $= \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathcal{H}_{n}^{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{1}^{\mathcal{A}}}^{\mathcal{H}_{n+1}^{\mathcal{A}}} (N \otimes \mathbf{C}_{a}) + \operatorname{Ind}_{\mathcal{H}_{n}^{\mathcal{A}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{n}^{\mathcal{A}}}^{\mathcal{H}_{n+1}^{\mathcal{A}}} (\mathbf{C}_{a^{-1}} \otimes N).$ 

In the right-hand-side, the first term corresponds to the left multiplication of  $f_a$  and the last term corresponds to the right multiplication of  $f_{a^{-1}}$ . This leads the last formula in (3), which is the starting point of our study.

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