ORDERS IN SIMPLE LIE ALGEBRAS OF CHEVALLEY TYPE

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Abstract

The integral structure of a simple Lie algebra L of Chevalley type over a field F of fractions of an integral domain D is studied. Sandwich relations for sufficiently large orders are obtained, including a new general sandwich relation for orders of L in case D is an integrally closed Noetherian domain. Generalizations of the principal results of Hyman (1966) in the case when D is a ring of algebraic integers are obtained, using techniques developed by the author and Stewart (1973) which are applied to certain orders in L that arise in a natural fashion from the Chevalley basis.

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1. Introduction

Since Chevalley (1955) showed for a simple finite dimensional Lie algebra L over the complex field the existence of a basis relative to which the structure constants are integers, the arithmetic theory of Lie algebras has developed as an area of considerable attention. In addition to playing a fundamental role in the construction of finite simple groups, Chevalley bases have been a prominent part of much recent work in algebraic group theory. To mention a few examples, Springer (1966) has used the arithmetic of semisimple Lie algebras to obtain (under mild restrictions on p) the existence of regular unipotent elements in semisimple algebraic groups over algebraically closed fields of characteristic p (see also Steinberg (1965)), and the ideal arithmetic of simple Lie algebras has been used by the author (1971) to construct normal subgroups of certain algebraic groups over rings and by Abe (1969) and Abe-Suzuki (1976) to classify the normal structure of Chevalley groups over local rings and Dedekind domains.

The present paper explores the integral structure of a simple Lie algebra L of Chevalley type over a field F which is the field of fractions of an integral domain D. To study forms of L over D (that is, algebras A over D such that $F \otimes_D A \cong L$) it suffices to study orders in L. Using to good advantage results of Stewart (1973) we obtain sandwich relations for sufficiently large orders in L involving the orders which arise naturally from the Chevalley basis for L (Theorem 1). Then application of methods in the spirit of an earlier paper (1969) lets us obtain in rather direct

fashion generalizations of the principal results of the (otherwise unpublished) doctoral dissertation of M. Harvey Hyman (1966) (Theorems 2 and 4). Finally, Stewart's results in combination with ours (1971) are used to obtain a new general sandwich relation for orders in L in case D is an integrally closed Noetherian integral domain (Theorem 3).

2. Background

In this section definitions of the main ideas of the present paper are given, as well as some preliminary results which do not seem to be in the literature apart from special cases in Hyman (1966).

Let D be an integral domain not of characteristic 2 or 3. In case we are dealing with a Lie algebra of type A_n , we further assume that n+1 is not a multiple of the characteristic of D. Let F be the field of fractions of D, and V a finite dimensional vector space over F. We assume $F \neq D$, that is, D is not a field.

DEFINITION 1. A finitely generated D-module $\mathcal{L} \subseteq V$ which spans V over F is called a *lattice* in V.

DEFINITION 2. If L is a finite dimensional Lie algebra over the field F, then a lattice $\emptyset \subseteq L$ is an *order* in L if it is closed under multiplication. (In a natural way then we can regard \emptyset as a Lie algebra over the ring D.)

Henceforth we assume that L is a finite dimensional split (Jacobson, 1962) simple Lie algebra over F, and H is a Cartan subalgebra. Then L has a basis $B = \{e_r | r \neq 0\} \cup \{h_1, h_2, ..., h_n\}$ made up of root vectors e_r and a basis for H satisfying $[e_r, e_{-r}] = h_r$, an integral linear combination of the h_i , $[h_i, h_i] = 0$,

 $[e_r, e_s] = \pm N_{rs}e_{r+s}$ if $r+s\neq 0$, where N_{rs} is 0 in case r+s is not a root and is $p_{rs}+1$ otherwise, p_{rs} being the greatest integer i such that s-ir is a root,

 $[h_r, e_s] = c(s, r)e_s$, where c(s, r) = 2(s, r)/(r, r) is the Cartan integer of s and r (see Chevalley, 1955).

The Chevalley order L_D is the D-submodule of L generated by the Chevalley basis B. For a more complete discussion of Chevalley bases, see Chevalley (1955), Steinberg (1968) or Hurley (1969). An algebra L with such a basis B is said to be of Chevalley type.

LEMMA 1. If D is a Dedekind domain and T is a linear transformation of L into itself which leaves an order 0 invariant, then Trace $T \in D$ and $\det T \in D$.

PROOF. Extend F to a field K which contains all the eigenvalues of T. Let \bar{D}_K be the integral closure of D in K. Consider the extensions $L_K = K \otimes_F L$, $T_K = 1 \otimes_F T$, and \mathcal{O}_K , the \bar{D}_K -module generated by $1 \otimes_F \mathcal{O}$. We have $T_K : \mathcal{O}_K \to \mathcal{O}_K$,

and T_K has the same eigenvalues as T. Let $x \in L_K$ be an eigenvector belonging to any eigenvalue λ . Now $\mathcal{O}_K \cap Kx$ cannot be 0 since $x \in L_K$, the K-span of \mathcal{O}_K . Thus $\mathcal{O}_K \cap Kx$ is a torsion free finitely generated \bar{D}_K -module. Also,

$$T_{K}(\mathcal{O}_{K}\cap Kx)=\lambda\mathcal{O}_{K}\cap Kx\subseteq\mathcal{O}_{K}\cap Kx,$$

hence by Lemma 22.4 of Curtis-Reiner (1962, p. 146) $\lambda \in \overline{D}_K$ since \overline{D}_K is a Dedekind domain by Zariski-Samuel (1958, p. 281). Thus λ is integral over D. So all eigenvalues of T are integral over D. Then all the coefficients of the characteristic polynomial of T (which are sums of products of the eigenvalues) are integral over D by Zariski-Samuel (1958, p. 255) and are in F. Since D is a Dedekind domain, it is integrally closed (that is, integrally closed in F), so all the coefficients of the characteristic polynomial of T are actually in D. In particular then, Trace $T \in D$ and $\det T \in D$.

PROPOSITION 1. If D is a Dedekind domain, then L has infinitely many orders.

PROOF. Consider a nonzero element $a \in D$ which is not invertible. Then $a, a^2, a^3, ...$ is a sequence of nonzero elements of D which are not invertible. We then have $a^n L_D \supset a^{n+1} L_D$. For inclusion is clear, and $a^{n+1} L_D = T(a^n L_D)$ where

$$T: a^n L_D \rightarrow a^n L_D$$

is given by T(x) = ax. Since $\det T = a^n$ is not invertible in D, $T \notin GL(a^nL_D)$ in view of Lemma 1 above. For if $T^{-1} \in GL(a^nL_D)$, then $\det T^{-1} = (\det T)^{-1} = (a^n)^{-1}$ would be in D. Thus T is not onto, so the inclusion is proper. We then have an infinite descending chain of orders $L_D \supset aL_D \supset a^2L_D \supset a^3L_D \supset \dots$ in L.

This result was obtained by Hyman (1966, p. 25) for the case of D a ring of algebraic integers. We now focus attention on the Chevalley order L_D . In many cases the orders which contain this order will comprise a manageable collection.

DEFINITION 3. The superstructure of an order \mathcal{O} is the collection of orders in L which contain \mathcal{O} .

For Dedekind domains we can show that the superstructure of an order in L is relatively simple.

PROPOSITION 2. Let D be a Dedekind domain of characteristic 0 or p where $p \nmid n+1$ if L is of type A_n or C_n , $p \nmid 2n-1$ if L is of type B_n , $p \nmid n-1$ if L is of type D_n , and $p \neq 5$ if L is of type E_8 . Let \mathcal{L} be a lattice in L. Then every order \mathcal{O} containing \mathcal{L} is contained in a fixed lattice \mathcal{L}^* .

PROOF. Since the Killing form K is nondegenerate on L (Jacobson, 1962, p. 70), for any basis $B = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_r\}$ of L made up of elements of \mathcal{L} , there is a dual basis $B^* = \{v_1^*, v_2^*, ..., v_r^*\}$ such that $K(v_i, v_j^*) = \delta_{ij}$ for i, j = 1, 2, ..., r. Let

 $\mathscr{L}^* = \sum_{i=1}^r Dv_i^*$ and let \mathscr{O} be any order in L such that $\mathscr{O} \supseteq \mathscr{L}$. For $x \in \mathscr{O}$, write $x = \sum_{i=1}^r d_i v_i^*$, $d_i \in F$. Then $K(x, v_j) = K(\sum_{i=1}^r d_i v_i^*, v_j) = d_j$. Now $x \in \mathscr{O}$, and so we have ad $x \colon \mathscr{O} \to \mathscr{O}$, and ad $v_j \colon \mathscr{O} \to \mathscr{O}$ since $v_j \in \mathscr{L} \subseteq \mathscr{O}$. Thus ad $x \circ \operatorname{ad} v_j \colon \mathscr{O} \to \mathscr{O}$, and ad $x \circ \operatorname{ad} v_j \colon \mathscr{O} \to \mathscr{O}$, and ad $x \circ \operatorname{ad} v_j \colon \mathscr{O} \to \mathscr{O}$, and ad $x \circ \operatorname{ad} v_j \colon \mathscr{O} \to \mathscr{O}$, and ad $x \circ \operatorname{ad} v_j \colon \mathscr{O} \to \mathscr{O}$,

Trace (ad
$$x \circ ad v_i$$
) = $K(x, v_i) = d_i \in D$.

Thus $x = \sum_{i=1}^{r} d_i v_i^* \in \mathcal{L}^*$ and we have $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathcal{O} \subseteq \mathcal{L}^*$.

Proposition 2 holds in particular if \mathcal{L} is an order \mathcal{O} . If D is a ring of algebraic integers in a finite extension K of Q, then Hyman (1966, p. 21) showed the superstructure of such an \mathcal{O} is actually finite.

Hyman's dissertation consisted mainly of a study of the superstructure of L_D in case D was the ring of algebraic integers of a finite extension of the rational field (hence D was a Dedekind domain). His first theorem concerned the algebra of type A_1 , in which case the superstructure of L_D consists of five orders. These are L_D (with basis $\{e,h,f\}$), L'_D (with basis $\{e,\frac{1}{2}h,f\}$) in which L_D has index 2, and three orders \mathcal{M}_1 , \mathcal{M}_2 , \mathcal{M}_3 , in which L'_D has index 2. \mathcal{M}_1 has basis $\{e,\frac{1}{2}h,\frac{1}{2}f\}$; \mathcal{M}_2 has basis $\{\frac{1}{2}e,\frac{1}{2}h,f\}$; and \mathcal{M}_3 has basis $\{e,\frac{1}{2}(e+h),-\frac{1}{2}e-\frac{1}{2}h+\frac{1}{2}f\}$. For a proof, see Hyman (1966, pp. 67-69). Theorems 2 and 4 below generalize the remaining two theorems of Hyman (1966) and are proved in a more direct manner here.

3. A sandwich relation for orders

Our first theorem gives upper and lower bounds for an order containing the Chevalley order L_D .

THEOREM 1. Let \emptyset be an order in L which contains L_D . Then there is an integer k such that

$$kJL_D \subseteq \emptyset \subseteq JL_D$$

where J is the smallest D-submodule of F such that JL_D contains O. The prime factors of k are in the set $\{2,3,p_1,...,p_m\}$, where the p_i are the prime divisors of det C, the determinant of the Cartan matrix C of L.

PROOF. First, J is well defined. We have in fact $\emptyset \subseteq J'L_D$, if J' is the D-submodule of F generated by 1 and all coefficients c_r, c_i of the elements x of \emptyset expressed uniquely as F-linear combinations of the members of B, $x = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i h_i + \sum_r c_r e_r$. Next we observe that D satisfies the hypotheses for the ground ring in Theorem 3.1 of Stewart (1973). Then as in the proof of that result, for an appropriate integer k there is an element of the multiplication ring of L_D sending x to kc_re_s and another sending x to kc_jh_i , for arbitrary roots r and s and arbitrary positive integers i and j. For if we represent an arbitrary element of B by the generic symbol p_α , then there is a $v_{\alpha\beta}$ in the multiplication ring of L_D sending p_α to $k\delta_{\alpha\beta}p_\beta$. If $v_{\alpha\beta}$ is expressed as a sum of products of left and right multiplications by elements y in L_D , then

 $\bar{v}_{\alpha\beta}$ sends $\sum d_{\alpha} \otimes p_{\alpha}$ to $k \delta_{\alpha\beta} d_{\alpha} \otimes p_{\beta}$, where $\bar{v}_{\alpha\beta}$ is the corresponding sum of products of left and right multiplications by elements $1 \otimes y$ in L_D . Since $\mathcal{O} \supseteq L_D$, all the $kc_r e_s$ and $kc_j h_i$ belong to \mathcal{O} . Hence $\mathcal{O} \supseteq kJL_D$. The proof is then complete as soon as we remark that k has only the factors specified by Proposition 4.1 of Stewart (1973).

If D is a Noetherian integral domain (in particular a Dedekind domain), then we remark that J in Theorem 1 is actually a fractional ideal (Curtis-Reiner, 1962, p. 107). For \mathcal{O} is a finitely generated D-module (since it is an order) and kJL_D is a submodule, hence also finitely generated if D is Noetherian. Thus JL_D is a finitely generated D-module. But then J is a finitely generated D-module (or else no finite number of elements of J would suffice to generate the coefficients of elements in JL_D), that is, J is a fractional ideal.

4. Superstructure of the Chevalley order

We now proceed to a detailed study of the orders \mathcal{O} in L which contain the Chevalley order L_D .

DEFINITION 4. If D is an integral domain with quotient field F, then P represents the *lattice of weights* of all representations of L_F . P has as \mathbb{Z} -basis the fundamental weights $\{w_1, w_2, ..., w_n\}$ given by $w_i(h_j) = \delta_{ij}$. The *lattice of D-coweights* is $D^{P^{\perp}} = \{h \in H | w(h) \in D \text{ for all } w \in P\}$, which has basis $\{h_1, h_2, ..., h_n\}$ over D. This coincides with H_D , the abelian algebra $D \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} H_{\mathbb{Z}}$, and we shall use the latter notation frequently.

DEFINITION 5. P_r represents the free abelian group generated by the roots of L relative to H. P_r has \mathbb{Z} -basis $\{r_1, r_2, ..., r_n\}$, the set of simple roots. Recall $r_i = \sum_{j=1}^n c(r_i, r_j) w_j$. The lattice of D-coroots is

$$_{D}P_{r}^{\perp} = \{h \in H | r(h) \in D \text{ for every root } r\}.$$

We also need the lattice of \bar{D} -coroots defined by replacing D by \bar{D} in ${}_DP_{\tau}^{\perp}$ where \bar{D} is the integral closure of D (that is, the integral closure of D in F, so that $\bar{D} = D$ if D is integrally closed). The lattice ${}_DP_{\tau}^{\perp}$ is labelled H'_D in Hurley (1969, 1971). L'_D is the algebra $D \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} L'_{\mathbb{Z}}$ where $L'_{\mathbb{Z}} = E_{\mathbb{Z}} \oplus H'_{\mathbb{Z}}$, $E_{\mathbb{Z}}$ the free abelian group on the root vectors e_r .

LEMMA 2. Suppose that $\alpha \in F$ and the coweight $h_r \in H_D$. Then $\alpha h_r \in H_D$ if and only if $\alpha \in D$.

PROOF. If $a \in D$, then for any weight $w \in P$, we have $w(\alpha h_r) = \alpha w(h_r) \in D$, since $h_r \in H_D = {}_DP^\perp$. Conversely, if $\alpha h_r \in H_D$, then we can express αh_r in terms of the basis elements h_i : $\alpha h_r = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i h_i$, $c_i \in D$. Find $w \in P$ such that $w(h_r) = 1$. (The existence of w follows from the fact that r belongs to some simple system of roots,

so has a corresponding fundamental weight w, or from Jacobson (1962, p. 140).) Then apply w to αh_r . We get $\alpha \cdot 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i w(h_i)$, and $w(h_i) \in D$ since $w \in P$, $h_i \in H_D = {}_D P^{\perp}$. Thus $\alpha \in D$.

LEMMA 3. Suppose that $\alpha \in F$ and r is a root. Then

- (1) If L is not of type B_n $(n \ge 2)$ or A_1 , then we have $\alpha h_r \in {}_DP_r^{\perp}$ if and only if $\alpha \in D$.
- (2) If L is of type B_n , then for a long root r, $\alpha h_r \in {}_D P_r^{\perp}$ if and only if $\alpha \in D$, while for a short root r, $\alpha h_r \in {}_D P_r^{\perp}$ if and only if $2\alpha \in D$.
 - (3) If L is of type A_1 , then $\alpha h_r \in {}_DP_r^{\perp}$ if and only if $2\alpha \in D$. The same assertions hold if D is replaced by \bar{D} .

PROOF. We have $\alpha h_r \in {}_DP_r^{\perp}$ if and only if $s(\alpha h_r) \in D$ for all roots s, that is, if and only if $\alpha c(s,r) \in D$ for all roots s. Suppose first that $\alpha h_r \in {}_D P_r^{\perp}$. In the single root length case, find a root s such that s+r is a root. We then have c(s,r)=-1, so $\alpha \in D$. In the general case we can imbed r into a simple system of roots. Then all the c(s,r) as s varies over this simple system occur in some fixed column of the Cartan matrix. In all cases save A_1 , G_2 , and B_n , at least one entry in any column of the Cartan matrix is -1, so choosing corresponding s we get $\alpha c(s,r) = -\alpha \in D$. In type G_2 , the Cartan matrix is $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and so if $r = r_1$, then we have 2α and -3α in D and hence $\alpha = -2\alpha + 3\alpha \in D$. (If $r = r_2$, then the previous reasoning gives $\alpha \in D$.) In type B_n , every column has a -1 except for the last column, which corresponds to the Cartan integers c(s, r) for the short simple root r. This means that if r is short, then we can only conclude $2\alpha \in D$, and if r is long, then as before $\alpha \in D$. The proof of this half is now complete as soon as we remark that in type A_1 the Cartan matrix is (2). For the converse, if $\alpha \in D$, then clearly $\alpha h_r \in DP_r^{\perp}$. In type B_n with r short, if $2\alpha \in D$, then again imbed r into a simple system of roots. Since c(s,r) is linear in s, it is sufficient to consider s ranging over this simple system. For either simple root s not orthogonal to r, we have $s(\alpha h_r) = \alpha c(s,r) = \pm 2\alpha \in D$. The case A_1 is clear. Finally, it is apparent that D can be replaced throughout by \bar{D} .

LEMMA 4. Suppose that D is a Noetherian integral domain. Let $h \in H$ belong to an order \mathcal{O} in L. Then $h \in \overline{D}P_{\tau}^{\perp}$, that is, h is a \overline{D} -coroot.

PROOF. Consider the linear transformation ad $h: L \to L$. Then ad h leaves \mathcal{O} invariant. Since L is split, the eigenvalues of ad h all belong to F, and are the values r(h) for r a root of L relative to H. Then as in the proof of Lemma 1, with F playing the role of K, we see that all the eigenvalues of ad h are integral over D. Thus $r(h) \in \overline{D}$ for all roots r, that is, h is a \overline{D} -coroot.

We now have all the tools we need to generalize the main result of Hyman (1966) on the superstructure of L_D .

Theorem 2. Let L be a simple Lie algebra of Chevalley type and rank at least 2 over F, the field of fractions of the Noetherian integral domain D. Let \mathcal{C} be an order in L which contains the Chevalley order L_D . In case L is of type B_n or C_n , assume additionally that 2 is invertible in D. Then $L_D \subseteq \mathcal{C} \subseteq L_{\overline{D}}$, where \overline{D} is the integral closure of D.

PROOF. In the non-symplectic cases, 5.1, 5.2, and 5.3 of Hurley (1969) show that given any $x = \sum c_r e_r + h \in \mathcal{O}$, since each $e_r \in \mathcal{O}$ we can obtain each $c_r e_r \in \mathcal{O}$ by multiplication by suitable root vectors e_s . Thus $\mathcal{O} \cap Fe_r$ is a direct summand of \mathcal{O} . Now let $A_r = \{a \in F \mid ae_r \in \mathcal{O} \cap Fe_r\}$. Then A_r is a D-submodule of F. The map $a \mapsto ae_r$ establishes a D-module isomorphism between A_r and $\mathcal{O} \cap Fe_r$. Since \mathcal{O} is a finitely generated D-module by definition, its direct summand $\mathcal{O} \cap Fe_r$ is also finitely generated. Thus A_r is a finitely generated D-module, and thus is a fractional ideal. Then by Lemma 4, $r(h) \in \bar{D}$. So $h \in L'_{\bar{D}}$. Also we have from $c_r e_r \in \mathcal{O}$ that $[c_r e_r, e_{-r}] = c_r h_r \in \mathcal{O}$. So by Lemma 4, $c_r h_r \in \bar{D} P_r^{\perp}$. Hence by Lemma 3 and our assumption about 2, $c_r \in \bar{D}$. It now follows that $x = h + \sum c_r e_r \in L'_{\bar{D}}$.

Some restriction on 2 seems essential in the case of B_n even if D is a Dedekind domain. For example, see Hyman (1966, p. 115) where the restriction that 2 be unramified in F (recall that D is a ring of algebraic integers in that paper) allows the theorem just proved to go through.

In case C_n if we remove the assumption that 2 is invertible, then we can only conclude from $x = h + \sum c_r e_r \in \mathcal{O}$ that $c_s e_s \in \mathcal{O}$ for every short root s, and $2c_t e_t \in \mathcal{O}$ for every long root t. While the submodules A_r and $2A_s$ are finitely generated since they are isomorphic to D-submodules $\mathcal{O} \cap Fe_r$ and $2\mathcal{O} \cap Fe_s$ respectively of the finitely generated module \mathcal{O} , we cannot conclude that $h \in \mathcal{O}$ and hence that $h \in L'_D$. Hyman's less direct approach does allow this difficulty to be overcome if D is a ring of algebraic integers. See Hyman (1966, pp. 114–117).

COROLLARY. Let D be of rank at least 2. Let D be a Noetherian integrally closed integral domain such that in type B_n and C_n 2 is invertible in D. Then for each order $\emptyset \supseteq L_D$, there is a unique D-module M lying between the lattice $H_D = {}_D P^{\perp}$ and the lattice $H'_D = {}_D P^{\perp}_{\tau}$ of coroots such that $\emptyset = M \oplus (\emptyset \cap E_D)$.

PROOF. In this case $D = \bar{D}$ and so $L'_{\bar{D}} = L'_{\bar{D}} = E_{\bar{D}} \oplus H'_{\bar{D}} = E_{\bar{D}} \oplus {}_{\bar{D}}P^{\perp}_{r}$. As the proof of Theorem 2 shows, $M = H_{\bar{D}} \cap \mathcal{O}$ is a direct summand of \mathcal{O} and is contained in $H'_{\bar{D}} = {}_{\bar{D}}P^{\perp}_{r}$. Since $\mathcal{O} \supseteq L_{\bar{D}}$, $M \supseteq H_{\bar{D}}$.

As a special case, we obtain Theorem 3 of Hyman (1966) in the non-symplectic cases, and in all cases if 2 is invertible in D.

THEOREM 3. Let L be of rank at least 2, D a Noetherian integrally closed integral domain, and $0 \supseteq L_D$ an order in L. Then $kL'_D \subseteq 0 \subseteq L'_D$ for some integer k, assuming again that $2 \in D$ is invertible in case L is of type B_n or C_n .

PROOF. Such an order \mathcal{O} is contained, in view of the Corollary to Theorem 2, in L'_D , and so is an algebra lying between L_D and L'_D . Then by 2.6 of Hurley (1971), \mathcal{O} is an ideal in L'_D whose intersection with E_D is E_D . As $L'_D = D \otimes_Z L'_Z$ and D is commutative with identity, we can apply Theorem 3.1 of Stewart (1973) to conclude that there is an integer k such that $kJL'_D \subseteq \mathcal{O} \subseteq JL'_D$ for the ideal J of D generated by the coefficients of the elements of \mathcal{O} . Since $\mathcal{O} \supseteq E_D$, J = (1) = D. Thus $kL'_D \subseteq \mathcal{O} \subseteq L'_D$.

From this and Proposition 4.1 of Stewart (1973), we have the following information about the integer k.

COROLLARY. The integer $k \leq \prod p_i$ where $\{p_i\}$ is the set of prime divisors of det C and m, the ratio of the squares of the lengths of the long to the short roots.

5. Integral orders

We now proceed to study integral representations of L.

DEFINITION 6. Let \mathcal{O} be an order in L. Let $\pi\colon L\to \operatorname{End} V$ be a representation of L on the finite dimensional vector space V over F. \mathcal{O} is π -integral if $\pi(\mathcal{O})\subseteq \operatorname{End} \mathscr{L}$ for some lattice L in V. \mathcal{O} is called an integral order in case \mathcal{O} is π -integral for every representation π of L over F. An element x in L is π -integral if $\pi(x)\in \operatorname{End} \mathscr{L}$ for some lattice $\mathscr{L}\subseteq V$. The element $x\in L$ is an integral element if it is π -integral for every representation π of L over F.

LEMMA 5. If $h \in H$ is integral and D is a Noetherian integral domain, then $w_i(h) \in \overline{D}$ for every fundamental weight w_i , and so $h \in H_{\overline{D}} = \overline{D}P^{\perp}$.

PROOF. If h is integral, then for any representation $\pi \pi(h)$ is an integral element. In particular if π is a representation with w_i as a weight, then $\pi(h)$ has eigenvalue $w_i(h) \in F$ since $\pi(h) v = w_i(h) v$, for some weight vector v belonging to w_i . If \mathcal{L} is a lattice in V such that $\pi(h) \in \operatorname{End} \mathcal{L}$, then $\mathcal{L} \cap Fv \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ is a finitely generated D-module of the form Av where $A = \{a \in F \mid av \in \mathcal{L}\}$ is finitely generated, as in the proof of Theorem 2. Now $\pi(h)\mathcal{L} \cap Fv \subseteq \mathcal{L} \cap Fv$ and so $w_i(h)\mathcal{L} \subseteq A$. Then $w_i(h)^m A \subseteq A$ for any positive integer m. So for any fixed $a \in A$, we have $w_i(h)^m a \in A$ and hence $w_i(h)^m \in a^{-1}A$. Since A is finitely generated, so is $a^{-1}A$. Thus $D[w_i(h)] \subseteq a^{-1}A$ is a finitely generated D-module, since D is Noetherian. Hence by Zariski-Samuel (1958, p. 254) $w_i(h) \in F$ is integral over D, that is, $w_i(h) \in \overline{D}$.

We are now in position to characterize integral orders in L which contain L_D . First recall that by Chevalley (1961), Kostant (1966) or Steinberg (1968, pp. 7-21), for any representation $\pi\colon L\to \operatorname{End} V$ where V is a finite dimensional vector space over F, there is a lattice $\mathscr L$ in V invariant under all $\pi(e_r^m/m!)$ for $e_r\in B$ and m a positive integer. In particular $\mathscr L$ is invariant under all $\pi(e_r)$ and hence under all $\pi(h_r)=\pi([e_r,e_{-r}])$. Thus $\mathscr L$ is $\pi(L_D)$ -invariant. Hence we see that L_D is integral in the sense of Definition 6. We can say considerably more.

THEOREM 4. Suppose that D is a Noetherian integral domain of characteristic 0, and L is of rank at least 2. If $\emptyset \supseteq L_D$ is an integral order, then $\emptyset \subseteq L_{\overline{D}}$, provided that in case L is of type C_n , 2 is invertible in D.

PROOF. Let $x=h+\sum c_re_r\in \mathcal{O}$. Then using $e_r\in \mathcal{O}$ as multipliers, we obtain as in Theorem 2 every $c_re_r\in \mathcal{O}$. Then $[c_re_r,e_{-r}]=c_rh_r\in \mathcal{O}$. So c_rh_r is an integral element, since \mathcal{O} is integral. Then by Lemma 5, $c_rh_r\in \overline{\mathcal{D}}P^\perp$. Then by Lemma 2, $c_r\in \overline{\mathcal{D}}$ for each root r. Then $x-\sum c_re_r=h\in \mathcal{O}$ and so h is an integral element. Hence by Lemma 5, $h\in \overline{\mathcal{D}}P^\perp=H_{\overline{\mathcal{D}}}$ and hence $x\in L_{\overline{\mathcal{D}}}$.

COROLLARY. If L has rank at least 2, D is a Dedekind domain, and the hypotheses of Theorem 4 hold, then $\mathcal{O} = L_D$. Thus in this case L_D is a maximal integral order in L.

PROOF. In this case $D = \overline{D}$ since D is integrally closed, so we have $L_D \subseteq \emptyset \subseteq L_D$. In particular if D is the ring of algebraic integers in a finite algebraic extension K of Q we get Theorem 2 of Hyman (1966) in the non-symplectic cases, and the full result in all cases if $2 \in D$ is invertible.

We can extend Theorem 4 in a weakened form to the case of prime characteristic.

DEFINITION 7. Suppose that $L_F = F \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} L_{\mathbb{Z}}$ where L is simple over the complex field. If D is of characteristic p with field of fractions F, then $\mathcal{O} \subseteq L$ will be called a partially integral order in case \mathcal{O} is σ -integral for every representation σ of L_F obtainable from a complex representation π of L by reduction modulo p. An element $x \in L_F$ is a partially integral element if it is σ -integral for every such σ .

Thus L_D is a partially integral order. The reasoning of Lemma 5 establishes the following result immediately.

LEMMA 6. If $h \in H$ is partially integral and D is Noetherian, then $w_i(h) \in \overline{D}$ for every fundamental weight w_i and so $h \in H_{\overline{D}} = \overline{D}P^{\perp}$.

The foregoing now enables us to carry over verbatim the proof of Theorem 4 (with "partially" prefixed to each occurrence of "integral") to establish the following, which must be termed a partial result.

THEOREM 5. Let L, D, F, and \mathcal{O} be as in Definition 7 with L of rank at least 2. If D is Noetherian and $\mathcal{O} \supseteq L_D$ is a partially integral order, then $\mathcal{O} \subseteq L_{\overline{D}}$ provided that $2 \in D$ is invertible in case L is of type C_n . In particular, if D is a Dedekind domain, then L_D is a maximal partially integral order.

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