UNIPOTENT REPRESENTATIONS AND MICROLOCALIZATION

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ABSTRACT. We develop a theory of microlocalization for Harish-Chandra modules, adapting a construction of Losev [Duke Math. J. 159 (2011), pp. 99–143]. We explore the applications of this theory to unipotent representations of real reductive groups. For a unipotent representation of a complex group, we deduce a formula for the restriction to a maximal compact subgroup, proving an old conjecture of Vogan [Associated varieties and unipotent representations, Birkhäuser Boston, Boston, MA, 1991] in a large family of cases.

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1. Introduction

Let $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ be the real points of a connected reductive algebraic group. In [1], Adams, Barbasch, and Vogan, following ideas of Arthur [2],[3], introduced a finite set of irreducible representations of $G_{\mathbb{R}}$, called *special unipotent representations*. We will recall their definition in Section 2.1. These representations are conjectured to possess an array of distinguishing properties (see [1, Chp 1]). For example:

- They are conjectured to be unitary.
- They are conjectured to appear in spaces of automorphic forms.
- They are conjectured to *generate* (through various types of induction) all irreducible unitary representations of G of integral infinitesimal character

Now let $K_{\mathbb{R}} \subset G_{\mathbb{R}}$ be a maximal compact subgroup. Any (nice) irreducible representation X of $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ decomposes as a $K_{\mathbb{R}}$ -representation into irreducible components, each with finite multiplicity. The general philosophy of unipotent representations suggests that if X is special unipotent, then these multiplicities should be 'small'. In [18, Conj 12.1], Vogan offers a conjectural description of the restriction to $K_{\mathbb{R}}$ of a special unipotent representation (under some additional conditions). A little more precisely, he conjectures

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Conjecture 1.1. Let X be a special unipotent representation of $G_{\mathbb{R}}$. Then there are a subgroup $H_{\mathbb{R}} \subset K_{\mathbb{R}}$ and a finite-dimensional $H_{\mathbb{R}}$ -representation χ such that

$$X \simeq_{K_{\mathbb{R}}} \operatorname{Ind}_{H_{\mathbb{R}}}^{K_{\mathbb{R}}} \chi.$$

Of course, the actual conjecture in [18] is much more precise and involves a certain 'codimension condition' on the associated variety of X, see Conjecture 2.7. In Corollary 5.2, we will prove Vogan's conjecture in a large family of cases.

The main ingredient in our proof is a functor $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ which 'microlocalizes' Harish-Chandra modules over a nilpotent K-orbit \mathbb{O} . The construction of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ follows [13, Sec 4], where a similar functor is constructed for Harish-Chandra bimodules.

Here is an outline of the structure of this paper. In Section 2, we will review some preliminary facts about primitive ideals, associated varieties, unipotent representations, and the localization of categories. We will also give a precise formulation of Vogan's conjecture, cf. Conjecture 2.7. In Section 3, we will develop our main technical tool for proving Conjecture 2.7, namely a microlocalization functor $\Phi_{\mathbb{Q}}$ for Harish-Chandra modules. In Section 4, we will relate Vogan's conjecture to a cohomological condition on certain K-equivariant vector bundles. In Section 5, we will check this condition in the setting of complex groups, thus verifying Vogan's conjecture in a large family of cases.

2. Preliminaries

Fix $K_{\mathbb{R}} \subset G_{\mathbb{R}}$ as in Section 1. Write $K \subset G$ for the complexifications and $\mathfrak{k} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ for the (complex) Lie algebras. Let $\theta : \mathfrak{g} \to \mathfrak{g}$ denote the Cartan involution corresponding to \mathfrak{k} and let $\mathfrak{p} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ be the -1-eigenspace of θ . There is a Cartan decomposition $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p}$.

A (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module is a left module X for the universal enveloping algebra $U(\mathfrak{g})$ of \mathfrak{g} together with an algebraic K-action such that

- (1) The action map $U(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes X \to X$ is K-equivariant,
- (2) The \mathfrak{k} -action on X, coming from the inclusion $\mathfrak{k} \subset \mathfrak{g} \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$, coincides with the differentiated action of K.

A morphism of (\mathfrak{g}, K) -modules is a $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module homomorphism which intertwines the K-actions. Let $M(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ denote the (abelian) category of (\mathfrak{g}, K) -modules. A Harish-Chandra module is a (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module which is finitely generated for $U(\mathfrak{g})$. Note that an irreducible (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module is automatically Harish-Chandra. Write $\mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \subset M(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ for the full subcategory of Harish-Chandra modules.

2.1. Unipotent representations. Let G^{\vee} denote the Langlands dual of G, and write $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathfrak{g}^*$, $\mathcal{N}^{\vee} \subset (\mathfrak{g}^{\vee})^*$ for the nilpotent cones. The nilpotent orbits for G and G^{\vee} are related via $Barbasch-Vogan\ duality$ (see [4]). This is a map

$$d: \{ \text{nilpotent orbits } \mathbb{O}^{\vee} \subset \mathcal{N}^{\vee} \} \rightarrow \{ \text{nilpotent orbits } \mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N} \}.$$

A nilpotent orbit $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}$ is called *special* if it lies in the image of d.

Every nilpotent G^{\vee} -orbit $\mathbb{O}^{\vee} \subset \mathcal{N}^{\vee}$ gives rise to an infinitesimal character $\lambda_{\mathbb{O}^{\vee}}$ for $U(\mathfrak{g})$ as follows. If we fix a Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$, there is a Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h}^{\vee} \subset \mathfrak{g}^{\vee}$, which is canonically identified with \mathfrak{h}^* . Using a G^{\vee} -invariant identification $\mathfrak{g}^{\vee} \simeq (\mathfrak{g}^{\vee})^*$, we can regard \mathbb{O}^{\vee} as a nilpotent G^{\vee} -orbit in \mathfrak{g}^{\vee} . Choose an element $e^{\vee} \in \mathbb{O}^{\vee}$ and an $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -triple $(e^{\vee}, f^{\vee}, h^{\vee})$. Conjugating by G^{\vee} if necessary, we can

arrange so that $h^{\vee} \in \mathfrak{h}^{\vee} \simeq \mathfrak{h}^*$. Put

$$\lambda_{\mathbb{O}^{\vee}} := \frac{1}{2}h^{\vee} \in \mathfrak{h}^{\vee} \simeq \mathfrak{h}^{*}.$$

This element is well-defined modulo the (linear) action of the Weyl group and thus determines an infinitesimal character for $U(\mathfrak{g})$ by means of the Harish-Chandra isomorphism. Let $I_{\mathbb{O}^{\vee}} \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$ be the unique maximal ideal with infinitesimal character $\lambda_{\mathbb{O}^{\vee}}$. A special unipotent ideal is any ideal in $U(\mathfrak{g})$ which arises in this fashion.

Write $\mathrm{AV}(I) \subset \mathfrak{g}^*$ for the associated variety of a two-sided ideal $I \subset U(\mathfrak{g})$ (i.e. the vanishing locus of $\mathrm{gr}(I) \subset \mathrm{gr}\,U(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq S(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}^*]$). By [4, Prop A2], we have

$$AV(I_{\mathbb{O}^{\vee}}) = \overline{d(\mathbb{O}^{\vee})}.$$

In particular, the associated variety of a special unipotent ideal is (the closure of) a special nilpotent orbit (this explains the word 'special' in 'special unipotent').

Definition 2.1. Suppose $\mathbb{O}^{\vee} \subset \mathcal{N}^{\vee}$ is a nilpotent orbit. A special unipotent representation attached to \mathbb{O}^{\vee} is an irreducible (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module X such that

$$\operatorname{Ann}_{U(\mathfrak{g})}(X) = I_{\mathbb{O}^{\vee}}.$$

Special unipotent ideals belong to a larger class of maximal ideals called simply unipotent ideals. This more general class of ideals is defined in [14, Definition 6.0.1]. If I is a unipotent ideal, one can define the notion of a unipotent representation analogously to Definition 2.1. Our main results (Theorem 4.1 and Corollary 5.2) apply, without modification, to this more general class of representations (and the proofs are identical). Since we will not recall here the definition of this more general class of representations, the reader may choose to interpret 'unipotent' to mean 'special unipotent' wherever it is used below.

2.2. Associated varieties and associated K-cycles. Following [18], we will associate to every Harish-Chandra module X some geometric data in \mathcal{N} . We will need the concept of a *good filtration* of X. A filtration of X

$$\cdots \subseteq X_{-1} \subseteq X_0 \subseteq X_1 \subseteq \cdots, \qquad \bigcap_m X_m = 0, \qquad \bigcup_m X_m = X$$

by complex subspaces is *compatible* if

- (1) $U_m(\mathfrak{g})X_n \subseteq X_{m+n}$ for every $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- (2) $KX_m \subseteq X_m$ for every $m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Under these conditions, gr(X) has the structure of a graded, K-equivariant $S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})$ module. Our compatible filtration is good if

(3) gr(X) is finitely-generated over $S(\mathfrak{g})$.

There is an equivalence of categories (obtained by taking global sections) between the category of K-equivariant coherent sheaves $\operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ on the affine space $(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ and the category of finitely-generated K-equivariant $S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})$ -modules. Thus if X is equipped with a good filtration, we can (and will) regard $\operatorname{gr}(X)$ as an object in $\operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. The following is standard (see [18, Sec 1] for a proof).

Proposition 2.2. Every (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module admits a good filtration. The passage from $X \in \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ to $\mathrm{gr}(X) \in \mathrm{Coh}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ induces a homomorphism on the Grothendieck groups

$$KHC(\mathfrak{g},K) \to K \operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*.$$

Proposition 2.2 provides a recipe for attaching geometric invariants to Harish-Chandra modules. A function $\varphi: \operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^* \to S$ with values in a semigroup S is additive if $\varphi(B) = \varphi(A) + \varphi(C)$ whenever there is a short exact sequence $0 \to A \to B \to C \to 0$. Under this condition, φ is well-defined on classes in $KHC(\mathfrak{g},K)$ and therefore (by Proposition 2.2) induces an (additive) function $\varphi[\operatorname{gr}(X)]$ on Harish-Chandra modules.

The first example of this construction is the associated variety AV(X) of a Harish-Chandra module X. Let S be the set of Zariski-closed subsets of $(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ with addition defined by \cup . Let φ be the function

$$\varphi: \operatorname{Coh}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^* \to S, \qquad \varphi(M) = \operatorname{Supp}(M) = V(\operatorname{Ann}(M)).$$

Since support is additive, φ induces an (additive) function on $K \operatorname{HC}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$. If $X \in \operatorname{HC}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$, we write $\operatorname{AV}(X) \in (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ for $\varphi[\operatorname{gr}(X)]$.

The next result relates the associated variety of X to the associated variety of its annihilator.

Theorem 2.3. Suppose X is an irreducible (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module. Let

$$I := \operatorname{Ann}(X) \subset U(\mathfrak{g}),$$

a primitive ideal in $U(\mathfrak{g})$. Then the following are true:

- (i) AV(I) is the closure of a nilpotent orbit $\mathbb{O}_G \subset \mathcal{N}$.
- (ii) $\mathbb{O}_G \cap (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ is the union of finitely-many K-orbits,

$$\mathbb{O}_G \cap (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^* = \mathbb{O}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathbb{O}_t,$$

and each \mathbb{O}_i a Lagrangian subvariety of \mathbb{O}_G .

- (iii) Some \mathbb{O}_i are contained in AV(X), and they are the maximal K-orbits therein.
- (iv) If AV(X) is reducible, then

$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}_G, \overline{\mathbb{O}}_G) = 2.$$

Proof. (i) follows from the main theorem in [10]. (ii) and (iii) are [18, Thm 8.4]. (iv) is [18, Thm 4.6]. \Box

In Section 3.2, we will give a simple proof of Theorem 2.3(iv) using the machinery of microlocalization.

In [18], Vogan introduces a refinement of AV(X) called the associated K-cycle which carries additional information about the K-action on X. Consider the variety

$$\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}} := \mathcal{N} \cap (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$$
.

The group K acts on $\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ and, by (ii) of Theorem 2.3, with finitely many K-orbits. Denote the K-orbits on $\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ by

$$\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}} = \mathbb{O}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathbb{O}_n.$$

Note that if X is a finite-length Harish-Chandra module, then by (iii) of Theorem 2.3

$$AV(X) \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$$
.

Definition 2.4. An associated K-cycle is an n-tuple

$$([\mathcal{E}_1], \dots, [\mathcal{E}_n]) \in K \operatorname{Vec}^K(\mathbb{O}_1) \times \dots \times K \operatorname{Vec}^K(\mathbb{O}_n)$$

subject to the following two requirements

- (1) All of the classes $[\mathcal{E}_i]$ are genuine, i.e. they are represented by objects in $\operatorname{Vec}^K(\mathbb{O}_i)$.
- (2) The K-orbits corresponding to nonzero classes are mutually incomparable, i.e. none is contained in the closure of another.

The set S of associated K-cycles forms a semigroup, with addition defined by

$$([\mathcal{E}_i]) + ([\mathcal{E}_i']) = ([\mathcal{E}_i'']), \qquad [\mathcal{E}_i''] := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } [\mathcal{E}_j], [\mathcal{E}_j'] \neq 0 \text{ for } \mathbb{O}_i \subset \overline{\mathbb{O}}_j, \\ [\mathcal{E}_i] + [\mathcal{E}_i'] & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Now if $M \in \operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}})$, we can define an associated K-cycle

(2.1)
$$\varphi(M) = ([\varphi_1(M)], \dots, [\varphi_n(M)]),$$

where

$$\varphi_i(M) = \begin{cases} M|_{\mathbb{O}_i} & \text{if } \mathbb{O}_i \text{ is open in } \operatorname{Supp}(M), \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

The function $\varphi : \operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}) \to S$ can be extended to the category $\operatorname{Coh}_{\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ of K-equivariant coherent sheaves set-theoretically supported in $\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ in the following manner: if $M \in \operatorname{Coh}_{\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ choose a finite filtration $0 = M_t \subset M_{t-1} \cdots \subset M_0 = M$ by K-equivariant subsheaves such that $M_i/M_{i+1} \in \operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}})$ for every i (for example, take $M_i := I(\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}})^i M$ for each i). Now define

$$\varphi: \operatorname{Coh}_{\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^* \to S, \qquad \varphi(M) = \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \varphi(M_i/M_{i+1}).$$

In [18, Thm 2.13], Vogan shows that φ is well-defined and additive. If X is a finite-length Harish-Chandra module, then $[\operatorname{gr}(X)] \in K\operatorname{Coh}_{\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. So φ induces an (additive) function on finite-length Harish-Chandra modules $\operatorname{AC}(X) = \varphi[\operatorname{gr}(X)]$, called the associated K-cycle.

If X is a special unipotent Harish-Chandra module, see Definition 2.1, then $\mathrm{AC}(X)$ is of a very special form. Let $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ be a K-orbit. Let $p:\widetilde{\mathbb{O}} \to \mathbb{O}$ be the universal K-equivariant cover and let $\omega_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}$ be the canonical bundle on $\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}$ (i.e. the line bundle of top-degree differential forms).

Definition 2.5. A K-equivariant vector bundle \mathcal{E} on \mathbb{O} is admissible if there is an isomorphism of K-equivariant vector bundles on $\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}$

$$p^*\mathcal{E}\otimes p^*\mathcal{E}\simeq \underbrace{\omega_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}\oplus\cdots\oplus\omega_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}}_{N \text{ times}},$$

for some $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$.

This condition has a very simple Lie-theoretic interpretation. If we choose a point $e \in \mathbb{O}$, there is an equivalence of categories

$$\operatorname{Vec}^K(\mathbb{O}) \simeq \operatorname{Rep}(K_e).$$

From left to right, the equivalence is given by restriction to the fiber over e. A vector bundle \mathcal{E} is admissible if and only if the corresponding K_e -representation $\rho: K_e \to \mathrm{GL}(V)$ satisfies

(2.2)
$$2d\rho = \operatorname{Tr}|_{(\mathfrak{k}/\mathfrak{k}_e)^*} \cdot \operatorname{Id}_V.$$

This is the 'admissibility' condition described in [18, Sec 7]. We note that if $0 \to \mathcal{E}_1 \to \mathcal{E}_2 \to \mathcal{E}_3 \to 0$ is a short exact sequence of K-equivariant vector bundles on \mathbb{O} and \mathcal{E}_1 , \mathcal{E}_3 are admissible, then \mathcal{E}_2 is admissible (this is evident from (2.2)). So admissibility is a property which can be ascribed to classes in $K \operatorname{Vec}^K(\mathbb{O})$.

Theorem 2.6 ([18, Thm 8.7]). Suppose X is a special unipotent (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module with associated K-cycle $AC(X) = ([\mathcal{E}_1], \ldots, [\mathcal{E}_n])$. Then every nonzero class $[\mathcal{E}_i]$ is admissible.

Only certain nilpotent K-orbits admit admissible vector bundles, so Theorem 2.6 imposes strong additional constraints on the associated varieties of special unipotent representations.

2.3. Vogan's conjecture. In [18, Sec 12], Vogan formulates a conjecture regarding the K-structure of special unipotent Harish-Chandra modules, under some conditions.

Conjecture 2.7 ([18, Conj 12.1]). Suppose X is a special unipotent Harish-Chandra module, and suppose $AC(X) = ([\mathcal{E}])$, where \mathcal{E} is an (admissible K-equivariant) vector bundle on a nilpotent K-orbit $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$. Let $\mathbb{O}_G = G \cdot \mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}$ and assume \mathbb{O}_G satisfies the condition

$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}_G, \overline{\mathbb{O}}_G) \geq 4.$$

Then there is an isomorphism of algebraic K-representations

$$(2.3) X \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}).$$

In Section 4, we will show that Conjecture 2.7 is true if \mathcal{E} satisfies a certain cohomological condition, which we can verify in many cases.

If we choose a point $e \in \mathbb{O}$ and write H for the centralizer of e in K, then \mathcal{E} corresponds to a finite-dimensional representation χ of H and, as representations of K, $\Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}) \simeq_K \operatorname{Ind}_H^K \chi$. Thus, the conclusion of Conjecture 1.1 follows from that of Conjecture 2.7.

2.4. **Localization of categories.** In this section, we will review some basic aspects of the theory of localization of abelian categories. The discussion here follows [17, Chapter 4].

Let \mathcal{C} be an abelian category. A full subcategory $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{C}$ is called *Serre* if for every short exact sequence $0 \to X \to Y \to Z \to 0$ in \mathcal{C} ,

$$Y \in \mathcal{B} \iff X \in \mathcal{B} \text{ and } Z \in \mathcal{B}.$$

In other words, \mathcal{B} is a full subcategory which is closed under the formation of subobjects, quotients, and extensions.

Example 2.8. Let X be a variety and $Z \subset X$ a closed subvariety. Then $Coh_Z(X)$ is a Serre subcategory of Coh(X).

Given a Serre subcategory $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{C}$, one can define the *quotient category* \mathcal{C}/\mathcal{B} . The next (very standard) result describes the universal property which it satisfies.

Proposition 2.9 ([17, Cor 3.11]). Let C be an abelian category and $B \subset C$ a Serre subcategory. There is an abelian category C/B, unique up to equivalence, receiving an exact, essentially surjective functor $T: C \to C/B$ with

$$\mathcal{B} = \ker T := \{ C \in \mathcal{C} : TC = 0 \}$$

satisfying the following universal property: if $F: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{D}$ is an exact functor with $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \ker F$, then there is a unique exact functor $G: \mathcal{C}/\mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{D}$ such that $F = G \circ T$.

Example 2.10. Let X be a variety, $Z \subset X$ a closed subvariety with open complement U. Write $j: U \subset X$ for the inclusion. Recall, Example 2.8, that $\operatorname{Coh}_Z(X) \subset \operatorname{Coh}(X)$ is a Serre subcategory. Restriction to U defines an exact essentially surjective functor $j^*: \operatorname{Coh}(X) \to \operatorname{Coh}(U)$ with kernel $\operatorname{Coh}_Z(X)$. It is not difficult to show that j^* satisfies the universal property in Proposition 2.9. Hence, $\operatorname{Coh}(X)/\operatorname{Coh}_Z(X) \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{Coh}(U)$.

We are interested in Serre subcategories of a very special type. A Serre subcategory \mathcal{B} is *localizing* if the quotient functor $T: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}/\mathcal{B}$ admits a right-adjoint $L: \mathcal{C}/\mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{C}$. We call the composition $LT: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}$ the *localization* of \mathcal{C} with respect to the localizing subcategory \mathcal{B} .

Example 2.11. Return to the setting of Example 2.10. First, assume that $\operatorname{codim}(Z,X) \geq 2$. Then $j^* : \operatorname{Coh}(X) \to \operatorname{Coh}(U)$ admits a right adjoint (and right inverse), namely $j_* : \operatorname{Coh}(U) \to \operatorname{Coh}(X)$. Hence, $\operatorname{Coh}_Z(X)$ is a localizing subcategory of $\operatorname{Coh}(X)$ and $j_*j^* : \operatorname{Coh}(X) \to \operatorname{Coh}(X)$ is the localization of $\operatorname{Coh}(X)$ with respect to $\operatorname{Coh}_Z(X)$. If, on the other hand, $\operatorname{codim}(Z,X) = 1$, the direct image under j of a coherent sheaf on U is an object in $\operatorname{QCoh}(X)$, though not of $\operatorname{Coh}(X)$. In fact, j^* in this case does not admit a right adjoint, i.e. $\operatorname{Coh}_Z(X)$ is not a localizing subcategory of $\operatorname{Coh}(X)$.

Proposition 2.12 catalogs the essential properties of L.

Proposition 2.12 ([17, Prop 4.3]). Suppose \mathcal{B} is a localizing subcategory of an abelian category \mathcal{C} and that $L: \mathcal{C}/\mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{C}$ is right adjoint to the quotient functor $T: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{C}/\mathcal{B}$.

- (1) L is left exact
- (2) TL is naturally isomorphic to $id_{\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{B}}$
- (3) An object $C \in \mathcal{C}$ is in the image of L if and only if it has no nontrivial maps from, or extensions by, objects in \mathcal{B} . Symbolically,

$$C \in \operatorname{Im}(L) \iff \operatorname{Hom}(\mathcal{B}, C) = \operatorname{Ext}^{1}(C, \mathcal{B}) = 0$$

(4) For every object $C \in \mathcal{C}$, the canonical morphism $C \to LT(C)$ has kernel and cokernel in \mathcal{B} .

We conclude this section with a useful criterion which we will use below.

Proposition 2.13 ([17, Thm 4.9]). Suppose $T: \mathcal{C} \to \mathcal{A}$ is an exact functor of abelian categories with a fully faithful right adjoint $L: \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{C}$. Then T is a quotient functor and $\mathcal{A} \simeq \mathcal{C}/\ker T$.

3. MICROLOCALIZATION OF HARISH-CHANDRA MODULES

3.1. The Rees construction. We want to perform operations on filtered Harish-Chandra modules analogous to the restriction and extension of coherent sheaves on $\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$. The first problem we encounter is that the category $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$ of Harish-Chandra modules with good filtrations (in short, 'well-filtered Harish-Chandra modules') is not abelian. Cokernels are not well-defined. The solution is to pass to a larger abelian category containing $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$.

Let A be an associative algebra equipped with an increasing filtration by subspaces

$$\cdots \subseteq A_{-1} \subseteq A_0 \subseteq A_1 \subseteq \cdots$$
, $A_m A_n \subseteq A_{m+n}$, $\bigcap_m A_m = 0$, $\bigcup_m A_m = A$.

Form the algebra of Laurent series $A[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}]$ in the formal symbol \hbar . Define a \mathbb{Z} -grading by declaring $\deg(a\hbar^k) = k$. The Rees algebra of A is the graded subalgebra

$$R_{\hbar}A = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} A_m \hbar^m \subset A[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}].$$

In a precise sense, $R_{\hbar}A$ interpolates between A and gr(A).

Proposition 3.1. The subspaces $\hbar R_{\hbar}A \subset R_{\hbar}A$ and $(\hbar - 1)R_{\hbar}A \subset R_{\hbar}A$ are two-sided ideals and

(1) There is a canonical isomorphism of graded algebras

$$R_{\hbar}A/\hbar R_{\hbar}A \simeq \operatorname{gr}(A).$$

(2) There is a canonical isomorphism of filtered algebras

$$R_{\hbar}A/(\hbar-1)R_{\hbar}A \simeq A.$$

Proof. The ideals are two-sided since the elements \hbar , $\hbar - 1$ are central.

(1) The linear maps $A_n \hbar^n \simeq A_n \to A_n/A_{n-1}$ assemble into a surjective homomorphism of graded algebras

$$R_{\hbar}A \to \operatorname{gr}(A)$$
.

The kernel of this homomorphism is the graded subalgebra

$$\bigoplus_n A_{n-1}\hbar^n = \bigoplus_n A_n\hbar^{n+1} = \hbar R_\hbar A.$$

(2) The inclusions $A_n \hbar^n \simeq A_n \subseteq A$ assemble into a filtered homomorphism

$$i: R_{\hbar}A \to A$$

which is surjective since the filtration is exhaustive. Choose an element a in the kernel of i

$$a = a_p \hbar^p + a_{p+1} \hbar^{p+1} + \dots + a_q \hbar^q, \qquad \sum_{n=p}^q a_n = 0.$$

If we define $b_n = -a_p - a_{p+1} - \cdots - a_n \in A_n$ for $p \le n \le q$, then one easily computes

$$(\hbar - 1) \sum_{n=p}^{q-1} b_n \hbar^n = a.$$

In particular, $a \in (\hbar - 1)R_{\hbar}A$. On the other hand, the subalgebra $(\hbar - 1)R_{\hbar}A$ is spanned by the elements $(\hbar - 1)a_n\hbar^n$ and by an easy computation $i((\hbar - 1)a_n\hbar^n) = 0$.

Now suppose M is a module for A equipped with an increasing filtration by subspaces compatible with the filtration on A

$$\cdots \subseteq M_{-1} \subseteq M_0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots, \quad A_m M_n \subseteq M_{m+n}, \quad \bigcap_m M_m = 0, \quad \bigcup_m M_m = M.$$

Form the vector space $M[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}]$ and define a \mathbb{Z} -grading (as above) by $\deg(m\hbar^k) = k$. Now $M[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}]$ is a graded module for $R_{\hbar}A$. The *Rees module* of M is the graded $R_{\hbar}A$ -submodule

$$M_{\hbar} = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} M_m \hbar^m \subset M[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}].$$

Take $A = U(\mathfrak{g})$ with its standard filtration. The group K acts on $U(\mathfrak{g})$ by filtered algebra automorphisms and therefore on its Rees algebra $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ by graded algebra automorphisms. A $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -module is a graded left $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module X_{\hbar} equipped with a graded algebraic K-action satisfying the following two conditions:

- (1) The action map $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})\otimes X_{\hbar}\to X_{\hbar}$ is K-equivariant,
- (2) The $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -action, restricted to the subspace $\mathfrak{k}\hbar \subset \mathfrak{g}\hbar \subset R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$, coincides with \hbar times the differentiated action of K.

A morphism of $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -modules is a graded homomorphism of $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules intertwining the K-actions. Write $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ for the abelian category of $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -modules and $\mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ for the full subcategory of finitely-generated $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -modules.

The assignment $X \mapsto R_{\hbar}X$ defines a functor from the category $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$ of well-filtered Harish-Chandra modules to $\mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$.

Proposition 3.2. If $X \in HC^{filt}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ (with filtration $\cdots \subseteq X_{-1} \subseteq X_0 \subseteq X_1 \subseteq \ldots$), $R_{\hbar}X$ has the structure of a $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -module, finitely-generated over $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$. The assignment $X \mapsto R_{\hbar}X$ defines a functor

$$R_{\hbar}: \mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$$

defined on morphisms $f: X \to Y$ by $(R_{\hbar}f)(x\hbar^m) = f(x)\hbar^m$. This functor is a fully-faithful embedding. Its image is the subcategory $HC^{tf}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ of Harish-Chandra $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -modules which are \hbar -torsion-free.

Proof. There is a functor

$$\hbar = 1 : \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$$

defined by $X_{\hbar} \mapsto X_{\hbar}/(\hbar-1)X_{\hbar}$. The argument provided in the proof of Proposition 3.1 (replacing rings with modules) shows that $(\hbar=1)\circ R_{\hbar}$ is the identity functor on $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$. It remains to exhibit a natural isomorphism $R_{\hbar}(X_{\hbar}/(\hbar-1)X_{\hbar}) \simeq X_{\hbar}$ for every $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{tf}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$.

Fix $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{tf}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ and write X_{\hbar}^{n} for its *n*th graded component. For every integer N, define the graded subspace

$$X_{\hbar}^{\leq N} = \bigoplus_{n \leq N} X_{\hbar}^{n}.$$

There is a linear map

$$\varphi_N: X_{\hbar}^{\leq N} \to X_{\hbar}^N, \qquad \varphi_N(x) = \sum_{n \leq N} x^n \hbar^{N-n}.$$

This map is surjective, since (for example) it restricts to the identity map on X_{\hbar}^{N} . We will show that

$$\ker \varphi_N = (\hbar - 1) X_{\hbar} \cap X_{\hbar}^{\leq N}.$$

Suppose

$$(\hbar - 1)(x^p + x^{p+1} + \dots + x^q) \in (\hbar - 1)X_{\hbar} \cap X_{\hbar}^{\leq N}.$$

Then $\hbar x^n - x^{n+1} = 0$ for every $n \ge N$ and consequently $x \in X_{\hbar}^{\le N-1}$ since X_{\hbar} is \hbar -torsion free. Then by a simple computation $\varphi_N((\hbar - 1)(x^p + \cdots + x^q)) = 0$. Conversely, suppose

$$x = x^p + x^{p+1} + \dots + x^N \in \ker \varphi_N.$$

Then $\sum_{n \le N} x^n \hbar^{N-n} = 0$. For $n \le N$, define

$$y^n = -x^n - \hbar x^{n-1} - \hbar^2 x^{n-2} - \dots \in X_{\hbar}^n$$

Then by a simple computation

$$x = (\hbar - 1)(y^{N-1} + y^{N-2} + \dots) \in (\hbar - 1)X_{\hbar} \cap X_{\hbar}^{\leq N}.$$

This proves $\ker \varphi_N = (\hbar - 1)X_{\hbar} \cap X_{\hbar}^{\leq N}$. As a result, φ_N induces a linear isomorphism

$$\varphi_N: (X_{\hbar}/(\hbar-1)X_{\hbar})^{\leq N} = X_{\hbar}^{\leq N}/\left((\hbar-1)X_{\hbar} \cap X_{\hbar}^{\leq N}\right) \simeq X_{\hbar}^N.$$

We can assemble these maps into a graded isomorphism

$$\varphi = \bigoplus_{N} \varphi_{N} : R_{\hbar}(X_{\hbar}/(\hbar - 1)X_{\hbar}) \simeq X_{\hbar}.$$

It is clear from its construction that φ is a $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module homomorphism and is compatible with the K-actions.

Besides R_{\hbar} , there are several other functors relating the categories $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$, $\mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$ and $\mathrm{Coh}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. By Proposition 3.1 applied to $A=U(\mathfrak{g})$ there are natural isomorphisms

$$R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})/\hbar R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq S(\mathfrak{g}), \qquad R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})/(\hbar-1)R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq U(\mathfrak{g}).$$

Every $M \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ can be regarded as a finitely-generated $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -module via the surjective map $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \to S(\mathfrak{g}) \to \mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*]$. On the other hand, if $X_{\hbar} \in \operatorname{HC}^{\operatorname{filt}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, then $X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar}$ has the structure of a graded, K-equivariant, coherent sheaf on $(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ and $X_{\hbar}/(\hbar-1)X_{\hbar}$ has the structure of a well-filtered Harish-Chandra module. These operations define functors, which are related as described in Proposition 3.3.

Proposition 3.3. The functors

$$i: \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*} \to \operatorname{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K),$$

$$M \mapsto M,$$

$$\hbar = 0: \operatorname{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \operatorname{Coh}^{K}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*},$$

$$X_{\hbar} \mapsto X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar},$$

$$\hbar = 1: \operatorname{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \operatorname{HC}^{\operatorname{filt}}(\mathfrak{g}, K),$$

$$X_{\hbar} \mapsto X_{\hbar}/(\hbar - 1)X_{\hbar},$$

$$\operatorname{gr}: \operatorname{HC}^{\operatorname{filt}}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \to \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*},$$

$$X \mapsto \operatorname{gr}(X)$$

satisfy the relations

- (1) $(\hbar = 0) \circ i = id$
- (2) $(\hbar = 1) \circ R_{\hbar} = id$
- (3) $(\hbar = 0) \circ R_{\hbar} = \operatorname{gr}$

Proof. The first relation is obvious. The second and third follow from Proposition 3.1 (replacing A with X).

The situation is summarized in the following commutative diagram.

3.2. Construction of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$. Choose $e \in \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ and let $\mathbb{O} = K \cdot e \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$. Recall that if $X_{\hbar} \in M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, then $X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{QCoh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. Define the associated variety of X_{\hbar} to be the subset

$$AV(X_{\hbar}) := Supp(X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar}) \subset (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*.$$

If Z is a subset of $(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$, we can define full subcategories $\operatorname{QCoh}_Z^{K,\mathbb{C}^\times}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$, $\operatorname{Coh}_Z^{K,\mathbb{C}^\times}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$, $M_Z(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar,K)$, $\operatorname{HC}_Z(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar,K)$, $\operatorname{HC}_Z^{\operatorname{filt}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$, and $\operatorname{HC}_Z(\mathfrak{g},K)$ by considering all objects with set-theoretic support (or associated variety) contained in Z. We begin with a simple observation.

Proposition 3.4. The subcategories

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{QCoh}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*} &\subset \operatorname{QCoh}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*}, \\ \operatorname{Coh}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*} &\subset \operatorname{Coh}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*}, \\ \operatorname{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g},K) &\subset \operatorname{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g},K), \\ \operatorname{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) &\subset \operatorname{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) \end{aligned}$$

are Serre.

Proof. The first two subcategories are Serre by the additivity of support. The third subcategory is Serre by the additivity of the associated variety (see the remarks preceding Theorem 2.3). For the fourth subcategory, we argue as follows. Suppose A is filtered algebra with an algebraic K-action such that $\operatorname{gr}(A)$ is a finitely-generated commutative algebra. One can define Harish-Chandra (A,K)-modules and good filtrations on them as in Section 2.2. Similarly to Proposition 2.2, every Harish-Chandra (A,K)-module admits a good filtration and there is a group homomorphism

$$KHC(A, K) \to K \operatorname{Coh}^K(\operatorname{Spec}(\operatorname{gr}(A))).$$

The algebra $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ has two natural K-invariant filtrations. One is the filtration defined by the grading. The second is defined by

$$(R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}))_m = U_m(\mathfrak{g})[\hbar] \cap R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) = \hbar^m U_m(\mathfrak{g})[\hbar].$$

If we equip $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ with the latter filtration, there is a natural identification $\operatorname{gr} R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq S(\mathfrak{g})[\hbar]$. So if $X_{\hbar} \in \operatorname{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, then we can find a good filtration on X_{\hbar} (compatible with our chosen filtration on $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$) and $[\operatorname{gr} X_{\hbar}] \in K \operatorname{Coh}^{K}((\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^{*} \times \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[\hbar]))$. It is easy to see that

$$AV(X_{\hbar}) = Supp(\operatorname{gr} X_{\hbar}/\hbar \operatorname{gr} X_{\hbar}).$$

Now it follows that $HC_{\partial \mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \subset HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ is Serre.

Remark 3.5. Note that the subcategory $M_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) \subset M_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$ is not Serre. It is closed under quotients and extensions, but not under subobjects. Take, for instance, $\mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{C}$. Then $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathbb{C}[x,\hbar]$. Let $M = \mathbb{C}(\hbar)$, the field of rational functions in \hbar . M is an (infinitely-generated) $\mathbb{C}[x,\hbar]$ -module with x acting by 0 and $M/\hbar M = 0$ (since $\mathbb{C}(\hbar)$ is a field). Hence, $\mathrm{Supp}(M) = \emptyset$. Yet the submodule $L = \mathbb{C}[\hbar]$ has $L/\hbar L = \mathbb{C}$ and is therefore supported at a point.

Our goal in this section is to prove (under a codimension condition on $\partial \mathbb{O}$) that $HC_{\partial \mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ is a localizing subcategory of $HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ and to construct the corresponding localization functor

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}: \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K),$$

see Section 2.4. We will see that $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ descends to a functor

$$\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}: \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g},K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$$

which inherits all of the essential properties of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$.

Our construction of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ is adapted from Losev, who constructs analogous functors in [13, Sec 3] for Harish-Chandra bimodules. Most of the proofs in this section are due essentially to Losev, although some arguments have been modified to accommodate our more general setting.

Fix an element $e \in \mathbb{O}$. If we fix an invariant form on \mathfrak{g} , e is identified with a nilpotent element in \mathfrak{p} , which we continue to denote by e. Choose an $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ triple $(e, f, h) \in \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{k}$. The centralizer $L := K^{e,f,h}$ is a maximal reductive subgroup of K^e .

Define the maximal ideal $I_e \subset R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ to be the preimage under the canonical surjection $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \to S(\mathfrak{g})$ of the maximal ideal defining e. Then consider the

completion of $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ with respect to I_e :

$$\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})} := \varprojlim R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})/I_e^n.$$

There is a canonical surjection $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})} \to R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})/I_e$. Since $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})/I_e$ is a field, the kernel $\widehat{I_e} \subset \widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ is the unique maximal (left, right, and two-sided) ideal in $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$.

The basic properties of the algebra $\widehat{R_hU(\mathfrak{g})}$ and its finitely-generated modules are summarized in [13]. Here are a few:

Proposition 3.6 ([13, Lem 2.4.4]). The following are true:

- (1) $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ is Noetherian
- (2) $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ is separated and complete in the \widehat{I}_e -adic topology, i.e.

$$\bigcap_n \widehat{I_e}^n \widehat{R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})} = 0, \qquad \widehat{R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})} \simeq \varprojlim \widehat{R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})} / \widehat{I_e}^n$$

(3) If \widehat{X}_{\hbar} is a finitely-generated $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ -module, \widehat{X}_{\hbar} is separated and complete in the \widehat{I}_{e} -adic topology, i.e.

$$\bigcap_{n} \widehat{I}_{e}^{n} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} = 0, \qquad \widehat{X}_{\hbar} \simeq \varprojlim_{n} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} / \widehat{I}_{e}^{n} \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$$

If a group (or Lie algebra) acts on $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ and preserves I_e , then it acts naturally on the completion $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$. There are two reasonable group actions with this property:

- (1) The adjoint action of L. Since L preserves $e \in \mathfrak{g}^*$, it preserves the maximal ideal defining it and therefore its preimage $I_e \subset R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})$. Consequently, it lifts to an action on $\widehat{R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})}$. In fact, the entire centralizer K^e acts in this fashion, but for reasons that will soon become apparent we will not consider the action of the unipotent radical.
- (2) The Kazhdan action of \mathbb{C}^{\times} . The element $h \in \mathfrak{k}$ determines a unique cocharacter $\gamma : \mathbb{C}^{\times} \to K$ with $d\gamma_1(1) = h$. We get an algebraic action of \mathbb{C}^{\times} on $U(\mathfrak{g})$ by composing γ with Ad:

$$t \cdot X_1 \dots X_m = \operatorname{Ad}(\gamma(t))(X_1) \dots \operatorname{Ad}(\gamma(t))(X_m).$$

Finally, we extend this action to the polynomial algebra $U(\mathfrak{g})[\hbar]$ by defining $t \cdot \hbar = t^2 \hbar$. This action obviously preserves the subalgebra $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \subset U(\mathfrak{g})[\hbar]$.

 \mathbb{C}^{\times} also acts on \mathfrak{g}^* by $t \cdot \zeta = t^{-2} \mathrm{Ad}^*(\gamma(t))(\zeta)$. This induces a \mathbb{C}^{\times} -action on $S(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}^*]$ characterized by $t \cdot X = t^2 \mathrm{Ad}(\gamma(t))(X)$. These actions (of \mathbb{C}^{\times} on $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}), S(\mathfrak{g})$, and \mathfrak{g}^*) are what Losev calls in [13] the 'Kazhdan actions' of \mathbb{C}^{\times} . The canonical map $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \to S(\mathfrak{g})$ is equivariant with respect to the Kazhdan actions on $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ and $S(\mathfrak{g})$. The definitions are rigged so that e is fixed by \mathbb{C}^{\times} :

$$\begin{split} t \cdot e &= t^{-2} \gamma(t) \cdot e = t^{-2} e(\gamma(t)^{-1} \cdot) = t^{-2} (e, \gamma(t)^{-1} \cdot) \\ &= t^{-2} (\gamma(t) \cdot e, \cdot) = t^{-2} (t^2 e, \cdot) = (e, \cdot) = e. \end{split}$$

Hence, the Kazhdan action preserves the ideal defining e and therefore its preimage $I_e \subset R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})$. Consequently, it lifts to an action on $\widehat{R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})}$.

Two comments on these definitions are in order. First, since L centralizes $\gamma(\mathbb{C}^{\times})$, these two actions commute. This is not the case if we consider the full action of K^e and this is the principal reason why we restrict our attention to L. Second, neither action is algebraic (i.e. locally finite), except in the most trivial situations. However, both actions can be differentiated (to the Lie algebras \mathfrak{l} and \mathbb{C} , respectively) since they are lifted from algebraic actions on $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$.

Suppose $X_{\hbar} \in M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Form the completion of X_{\hbar} with respect to I_e :

$$\widehat{X}_{\hbar} := \underline{\lim} \, X_{\hbar} / I_e^n X_{\hbar}.$$

The space \widehat{X}_{\hbar} has lots of interesting structure. For one, it is obviously a module for $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$. The L-action on X_{\hbar} lifts to an action on \widehat{X}_{\hbar} , since L preserves I_e . The naive \mathbb{C}^{\times} -action on X_{\hbar} (obtained from the grading) does not lift to the completion (since I_eX_{\hbar} is not usually graded). But as with $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ we can define a slightly modified action (called the $Kazhdan\ action$ on X_{\hbar}) by

$$t \cdot x = t^{2n} \gamma(t) x, \qquad n = \deg(n),$$

and this action does lift to the completion. Therefore, \widehat{X}_{\hbar} has the structure of an $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ -module with actions of L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} . Once again, these actions are not algebraic. But they do differentiate to the Lie algebras. The axioms for $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ impose various compatibility conditions on these three algebraic structures.

Proposition 3.7. If $X_{\hbar} \in M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, then \widehat{X}_{\hbar} has the structure of an $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ -module with actions of L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} satisfying the following properties

- (1) The L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} -actions commute
- (2) The action map $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}\otimes\widehat{X}_{\hbar}\to\widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ is both L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} -equivariant
- (3) The $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -action, restricted to the subspace $\mathfrak{l}\hbar \subset \mathfrak{g}\hbar \subset R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \subset R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$, coincides with \hbar times the differentiated action of L.

A (\widehat{g}_{\hbar}, L) -module is a left $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ -module with L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} -actions satisfying the conditions of Proposition 3.7. A morphism of (\widehat{g}_{\hbar}, L) -modules is an L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} equivariant $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ -module homomorphism. Write $M(\widehat{g}_{\hbar}, L)$ for the abelian category of (\widehat{g}_{\hbar}, L) -modules (with morphisms defined as above) and $HC(\widehat{g}_{\hbar}, L)$ for the full subcategory of (\widehat{g}_{\hbar}, L) -modules finitely-generated over $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$. Completion defines a functor $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to M(\widehat{g}_{\hbar}, L)$. Its restriction to the subcategory $HC(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ is exact.

Proposition 3.8 ([13, Prop 2.4.1]). If $X_{\hbar} \in HC(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, the natural map

$$\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})} \otimes_{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})} X_{\hbar} \to \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$$

is an isomorphism. In particular, \widehat{X}_{\hbar} is a finitely-generated $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ -module. In other words, the completion functor restricts

$$\widehat{\bullet}: \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L).$$

This functor is exact.

Corollary 3.9. Suppose $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Then

(1) there is a natural isomorphism

$$\widehat{X}_{\hbar}/\hbar\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \simeq \widehat{X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar}}.$$

(2) $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} = 0$ if and only if $e \notin \text{Supp}(X_{\hbar})$.

Proof. (1) Let $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Multiplication by \hbar defines a short exact sequence in $\mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$

$$X_{\hbar} \stackrel{\hbar}{\to} X_{\hbar} \to X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar} \to 0.$$

Since completion is exact, we get a short exact sequence in $HC(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L)$

$$\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \stackrel{\hbar}{\to} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} \to \widehat{X}_{\hbar}/\widehat{\hbar}X_{\hbar} \to 0,$$

which gives rise to the desired isomorphism.

(2) Use the description of (commutative) completion provided in part (1) of Proposition A.2 to observe that $\widehat{X_{\hbar}}/\hbar X_{\hbar} = 0$ if and only if $e \notin \operatorname{Supp}(X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar})$ =: $\operatorname{Supp}(X_{\hbar})$. From the previous part, $\widehat{X_{\hbar}}/\hbar X_{\hbar} = 0$ if and only if $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} = \hbar \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$. From Proposition 3.8, \widehat{X}_{\hbar} is a finitely-generated $\widehat{R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})}$ -module and therefore, from Proposition 3.6, separated in the \widehat{I}_e -adic topology. In particular (since $\hbar \in \widehat{I}_e$)

$$\bigcap_{n} \hbar^{n} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} = 0.$$

Consequently, $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} = \hbar \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ if and only if $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} = 0$. Putting all of these implications together, we deduce the result.

For every $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \in M(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L)$, we will define a special subspace $\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ of \widehat{X}_{\hbar} (actually ΓX_{\hbar} is not, strictly speaking, a subspace when K is disconnected. We will address this difficulty in a moment).

As usual, denote the identity component of K by K^0 . Let $K^1 = LK^0$. Note that K^1 is a subgroup of K with Lie algebra \mathfrak{k} and the component group of $L/(L \cap K^0)$. The construction of $\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ proceeds in stages:

(1) First, take the subspace $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ of K^0 -finite vectors. More precisely, define $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_{\hbar} := \{ x \in \widehat{X}_{\hbar} : x \text{ belongs to a finite-dimensional } \mathfrak{k}\hbar - \text{invariant}$ subspace which integrates to a representation of $K^0 \}$.

Since K^0 is connected, $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_\hbar$ has a well-defined algebraic K^0 -action. It is also an $R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})$ submodule of \widehat{X}_\hbar and the K^0 -action is compatible with the module structure in the two usual ways. Since $\mathfrak{k}\hbar$ is stable under the L and Kazhdan \mathbb{C}^\times -actions on $R_\hbar U(\mathfrak{g})$, $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_\hbar$ is stable under the L and Kazhdan \mathbb{C}^\times -actions on \widehat{X}_\hbar . The L-action on $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_\hbar$ is locally-finite—its differential coincides with the locally finite action of $\mathfrak{k}\hbar$. This presents an interesting complication. The module $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_\hbar$ has two (in general, distinct) algebraic actions of $L \cap K^0$. One comes from the K^0 -action built into the definition of $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_\hbar$. The other comes from the L-action on \widehat{X}_\hbar . These two actions of $L \cap K^0$ differentiate to the same action of $\mathfrak{l} = \mathrm{Lie}(L \cap K^0)$ and therefore agree on the identity component of $L \cap K^0$.

(2) Next, form the subspace of $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ consisting of vectors on which the two $L \cap K^0$ -actions coincide.

$$\Gamma^1 \widehat{X}_\hbar := \{ x \in \Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_\hbar : l \cdot_1 x = l \cdot_2 x, \quad \forall l \in L \cap K^0 \}.$$

This subspace is an $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -submodule of $\Gamma^0\widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ and is stable under \mathbb{C}^{\times} . It has algebraic actions of L and K^0 which agree on the intersection and therefore an algebraic action of $K^1 = LK^0$.

(3) Take the \mathbb{C}^{\times} -finite vectors in $\Gamma^1 \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$.

$$\Gamma^1_{\mathrm{lf}} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} := \{ x \in \Gamma^1 \widehat{X}_{\hbar} : x \text{ belongs to a finite-dimensional } \mathbb{C}^{\times} - \text{invariant subspace} \}.$$

This subspace has the structure of an $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module with algebraic actions of K^1 and \mathbb{C}^{\times} . The K^1 -action is compatible with the module structure in the two usual ways. The \mathbb{C}^{\times} -action is compatible with the module structure in the sense that the action map $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})\otimes\Gamma_{\mathrm{lf}}^1\widehat{X}_{\hbar}\to\Gamma_{\mathrm{lf}}^1\widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ is \mathbb{C}^{\times} -equivariant. Note that the actions of K^1 and \mathbb{C}^{\times} do not, in general, commute. The actions of L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} obviously do, but the actions of K^0 and \mathbb{C}^{\times} do not. We can fix this by composing the existing \mathbb{C}^{\times} -action with $\gamma(t)^{-1}$ (in effect, undoing the 'Kazhdanification' required to make the original \mathbb{C}^{\times} -action lift to the completion). The result is a grading on $\Gamma_{\mathrm{lf}}^1\widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ which is manifestly even. Halve it, to obtain a grading which is compatible (under the natural map $X_{\hbar} \to \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$) with the original grading on X_{\hbar} . With this new grading, Γ_{lf}^1 has the structure of a graded, K^1 -equivariant $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module (with the standard grading on $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$).

(4) The final step is to perform a finite induction

$$\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar} := \operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \Gamma_{\operatorname{lf}}^1 \widehat{X}_{\hbar}.$$

If we identify $\Gamma \hat{X}_{\hbar}$ with functions

$$\{f: K \to \Gamma^1_{\mathrm{lf}} \widehat{X}_{\hbar}: f(k'k) = k' \cdot f(k) \text{ for } k' \in K^1, k \in K\},$$

there is an $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module structure on $\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ defined by

$$(Yf)(k) = (k \cdot Y)f(k), \qquad Y \in R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}), k \in K, f \in \Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$$

and an algebraic \mathbb{C}^{\times} -action defined by

$$(t \cdot f)(k) = t \cdot f(k), \qquad t \in \mathbb{C}^{\times}, k \in K, f \in \Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}.$$

Summarizing, $\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ has the structure of an $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module with algebraic K and \mathbb{C}^{\times} -actions. It is easy to check that these three structures satisfy the defining properties of a $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -module.

Since all of the ingredients used to define $\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ (K^0 -finite vectors, Γ^1 , \mathbb{C}^{\times} -finite vectors, induction) are functorial, Γ gives rise to a functor $M(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L) \to M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Define

$$\Phi_e := \Gamma \circ \widehat{\bullet} : M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to M(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, K).$$

Clearly, Φ_e is left exact: it is the composition of a completion functor (exact, by Proposition 3.8), K^0 -finite vectors (left exact), Γ^1 (left exact), \mathbb{C}^{\times} -finite vectors (left exact), and finite induction (exact). In Section 4, we will study its right derived functors. We will need the following elementary result.

Proposition 3.10. The category $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ has enough injectives.

Proof. This follows from an easy general fact: suppose \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are abelian categories and $(L: \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{B}, R: \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{A})$ is an adjunction. Suppose that L is exact and

that the natural map $A \to RLA$ is an injection for every $A \in \mathcal{A}$. Then if \mathcal{B} has enough injectives, so does \mathcal{A} .

If $\mathcal{A} = M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ and $\mathcal{B} = R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) - \text{mod}$, the forgetful functor $L : \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{B}$ has a right adjoint $R : \mathcal{B} \to \mathcal{A}$ defined in much the same way as Γ . If $B \in \mathcal{B}$, the subspace

 $R^0(B) = \{b \in B : b \text{ belongs to a finite-dimensional } \mathfrak{t}\hbar - \text{invariant subspace}\}$

which integrates to a representation of K^0

has the structure of a K^0 -equivariant $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module and

$$R^1(B) = \operatorname{Ind}_{K^0}^K R^0 B$$

has the structure of a K-equivariant $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module. We need to force a grading on R^1B (compatible with the K-action and the module structure in all of the usual ways). Define

$$R(B) = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} R^1(B),$$

putting one copy of R^1B in every integer degree. Give R(B) the structure of a $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -module by defining

$$Y(b_n) = (Yb)_{m+n}, \quad Y \in R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})_m, \qquad k(b_n) = (kb)_n,$$

 $k \in K, \qquad t(b_n) = (t^nb)_n, \quad t \in \mathbb{C}^{\times}.$

It is easy to check that $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, L$, and R satisfy the conditions listed above. It is well known that R – mod has enough injectives for any ring R. Hence, \mathcal{A} has enough injectives by the general fact above.

For the remainder of this section, we will enforce the assumption

(3.1)
$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}, \overline{\mathbb{O}}) \geq 2.$$

Let $j: \mathbb{O} \subset \overline{\mathbb{O}}$ be the inclusion.

Proposition 3.11. Recall the containments

$$\mathrm{Coh}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^\times}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})\subset\mathrm{Coh}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^\times}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*\subset\mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar,K)\subset M(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar,K)$$

from Proposition 3.3. The functor Φ_e preserves all three subcategories of $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Its restriction to $\operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})$ coincides with the functor

$$j_*j^*: \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^\times}(\overline{\mathbb{O}}) \to \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^\times}(\overline{\mathbb{O}}).$$

Proof. Suppose $M \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})$. By the definition of Φ_e and Proposition A.3, it is clear that $\Phi_e M$ coincides with the \mathbb{C}^{\times} -finite part of j_*j^*M . But the \mathbb{C}^{\times} -action on j_*j^*M is already finite, so $\Phi_e M = j_*j^*M$. By Theorem A.5 and the codimension condition on \mathbb{O} , this is an object in $\operatorname{Coh}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})$.

Now suppose $M \in \operatorname{Coh}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}^{K,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. M admits a finite filtration by K and \mathbb{C}^{\times} -equivariant subsheaves

$$0 = M_0 \subset M_1 \subset \cdots \subset M_t = M, \qquad N_i := M_i / M_{i-1} \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K, \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}}) \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq t.$$

We have $\Phi_e M_1 \in \operatorname{Coh}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}} (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ by the previous paragraph. Suppose $\Phi_e M_i \in \operatorname{Coh}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}} (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$ for some i < t. There is a short exact sequence

$$0 \to M_i \to M_{i+1} \to N_{i+1} \to 0$$

in $\operatorname{Coh}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. By the left exactness of Φ_e , there is a long exact sequence in $\operatorname{QCoh}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$

$$0 \to \Phi_e M_i \to \Phi_e M_{i+1} \to \Phi_e N_{i+1} \to \dots$$

Note that $\Phi_e M_i$ is coherent by hypothesis and $\Phi_e N_{i+1}$ is coherent since $N_{i+1} \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})$. Hence, $\Phi_e M_{i+1}$ is coherent, since it fits within an exact sequence between coherent sheaves. By induction on i, $\Phi_e M \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$.

Finally, suppose $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Define $M = X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{Coh}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}^{K,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. There is a short exact sequence

$$0 \to \hbar X_{\hbar} \to X_{\hbar} \to M \to 0$$

in $HC_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. By the left exactness of Φ_e , there is a long exact sequence

$$0 \to \Phi_e \hbar X_\hbar \to \Phi_e X_\hbar \to \Phi_e \to \dots$$

in $M_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ and hence an inclusion

$$\Phi_e X_{\hbar}/\Phi_e \hbar X_{\hbar} \subseteq \Phi_e M.$$

It is clear from the construction of Φ_e that $\hbar \Phi_e X_\hbar = \Phi_e \hbar X_\hbar$. So we obtain from above

$$\Phi_e X_{\hbar}/\hbar \Phi_e X_{\hbar} \subseteq \Phi_e M.$$

The left hand side is coherent since the right hand side is coherent. Choose a finite set of generators x_1, \ldots, x_n for $\Phi_e X_\hbar / \hbar \Phi_e X_\hbar$ over $S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})$. Choose arbitrary lifts $\widetilde{x}_1, \ldots, \widetilde{x}_n$ to $\Phi_e X_\hbar$ and form the (\mathfrak{g}_\hbar, K) -submodule $R \subset \Phi_e$ generated by these elements. By definition, $\Phi_e X_\hbar = R + \hbar \Phi_e X_\hbar$. If we replace X_\hbar with $\hbar X_\hbar$ and repeat the same argument, we obtain $\hbar \Phi_e X_\hbar = \hbar R + \hbar^2 \Phi_e X_\hbar$, and hence $\Phi_e X_\hbar = R + \hbar^2 \Phi_e X_\hbar$. Then, $\Phi_e X_\hbar = R + \hbar^n \Phi_e X_\hbar$ by a simple induction on n.

Since R is finitely-generated over a nonnegatively graded ring, its grading is bounded from below. Choose an integer N such that $R_n = 0$ for every n < N. If n < N and $x \in (\Phi_e X_\hbar)_n$, then $x \in \bigcap_n \hbar^n \Phi_e X_\hbar$. Since \widehat{X}_\hbar is separated in the \widehat{I}_e -adic topology (part (3) of Proposition 3.6),

$$\bigcap_{n} \hbar^{n} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} \subseteq \bigcap_{n} \widehat{I}_{e}^{n} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} = 0.$$

Then it is clear from the construction of Γ that

$$\bigcap_{n} \hbar^{n} \Phi_{e} X_{\hbar} = 0.$$

So, x=0 and we see that the grading on $\Phi_e X_\hbar$ is (also) bounded from below. Now suppose n is arbitrary and $y \in (\Phi_e X_\hbar)_n$. Choose m so large that $(\hbar^m \Phi_e X_\hbar)_n = 0$. Then $\Phi_e X_\hbar = R + \hbar^m \Phi_e X_\hbar$ implies $y \in R$. This proves that $\Phi_e X_\hbar = R$.

Now, $\Phi_e X_{\hbar}$ is a finitely-generated $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -module and hence an object in $\mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. From the inclusion $\Phi_e X_{\hbar}/\hbar \Phi_e X_{\hbar} \subseteq \Phi_e M$ and the additivity of support, we have $\Phi_e X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$.

Write $\mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ for the full image of the completion functor $\widehat{\bullet}: \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L)$.

Proposition 3.12. The functors

$$\widehat{\bullet}: \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\square}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\square}}, \qquad \Gamma: \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\square}} \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\square}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$$

are left and right adjoints.

Proof. Both functors factor through the intermediate category $HC_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K^1)$

$$\mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) \xleftarrow{\mathrm{Res}}_{\overline{\mathrm{Ind}}} \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K^1) \xleftarrow{\widehat{\bullet}}_{\overline{\Gamma^1_{\mathrm{lf}}}} \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}} \ .$$

The functor $\operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K : \operatorname{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K^1) \to \operatorname{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, as we have defined it, is left-adjoint to Res. There is an alternative definition of $\operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K$ via tensor products and coinvariants (rather than functions and invariants), given by

$$\operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K V = \mathbb{C}[K] \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[K^1]} V,$$

and this second version of induction is right-adjoint to Res. Since K^1 has finite index in K, these two versions coincide. Thus, it suffices to exhibit an adjunction between the functors $\widehat{\bullet}: \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar, K^1) \to \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$ and $\Gamma^1_{\mathrm{lf}}: \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}} \to \mathrm{HC}(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar, K^1)$.

Choose $X \in HC_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K^1)$ and $Y \in \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}$. We want to define a natural bijection

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{q}_{\hbar},K^{1},\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(X,\Gamma_{\operatorname{lf}}^{1}Y) \simeq \operatorname{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathfrak{q}}_{\hbar},L,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\widehat{X},Y).$$

Suppose $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K^{1},\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(X,\Gamma^{1}_{\operatorname{lf}}Y)$. Compose f with the inclusion $i:\Gamma^{1}_{\operatorname{lf}}Y \subset Y$ to obtain an L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} -equivariant $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module homomorphism $i \circ f: X \to Y$. Since Y is complete in the \widehat{I}_{e} -adic topology (part (3) of Proposition 3.6), this homomorphism extends to a (unique) morphism in $\operatorname{HC}(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L)$

$$\widehat{i \circ f} : \widehat{X} \to Y$$
.

On the other hand, if $g \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar},L,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\widehat{X},Y)$, the restriction $g|_{X}$ takes values in $\Gamma^{1}_{\operatorname{lf}}Y$. One easily checks that the assignments $f \mapsto \widehat{i \circ f}$ and $g \mapsto g|_{X}$ define mutually inverse bijections.

Proposition 3.13 establishes some of the corresponding properties of Φ_e . The statements and proofs are analogous to [13, Prop 3.4.1].

Proposition 3.13. The functor

$$\Phi_e: \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar, K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_\hbar, K),$$

which is well-defined by Proposition 3.11, has the following properties:

(1) For every $X_{\hbar} \in HC_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, there is a natural map

$$X_{\hbar} \to \Phi_e X_{\hbar}$$

and its completion

$$\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \to \widehat{\Phi_e X_{\hbar}}$$

is an injection.

- (2) $\ker \Phi_e = \mathrm{HC}_{\partial \mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$.
- (3) For every $X_{\hbar} \in HC_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$,

$$\operatorname{Ann}(X_{\hbar}) \subseteq \operatorname{Ann}(\Phi_e X_{\hbar}).$$

(4) Form the right derived functors $R^i\Phi_e: M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ using Proposition 3.10. Then if $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, the gradings on $R^i\Phi_e X_{\hbar}$ are bounded from below.

Proof. (1) This is a formal consequence of the adjunction $(\widehat{\bullet}, \Gamma)$ established in Proposition 3.12. The natural map $X_{\hbar} \to \Phi_e X_{\hbar}$ is the morphism in $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{q}_{\hbar}, K, \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(X_{\hbar}, \Phi_e X_{\hbar})$ corresponding to the identity map

$$\mathrm{id} \in \mathrm{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L, \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\widehat{X}_{\hbar}, \widehat{X}_{\hbar}).$$

Its completion is a morphism

$$\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \to \widehat{\Phi_e X_{\hbar}}$$

in $\mathrm{HC}(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L)$. On the other hand, the identity map $\mathrm{id} \in \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K, \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\Phi_{e}X_{\hbar}, \Phi_{e}X_{\hbar})$ corresponds to a natural map $\widehat{\Phi_{e}X_{\hbar}} \to \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$ in $\mathrm{HC}(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar}, L)$. Since all maps are natural, the composition

$$\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \to \widehat{\Phi_e X_{\hbar}} \to \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$$

is the identity. In particular, $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \to \widehat{\Phi_e X_{\hbar}}$ is an injection.

- (2) If $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, then $\Phi_{e}X_{\hbar} = 0$ by (one half of) part (2) of Corollary 3.9. Conversely, if $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ and $\Phi_{e}X_{\hbar} = 0$, then $\widehat{\Phi_{e}X_{\hbar}} = 0$ and hence $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} = 0$ by the result of the previous part. Then $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ by (the other half of) part (2) of Corollary 3.9.
- (3) Since \widehat{X}_{\hbar} is an inverse limit of quotients $X_{\hbar}/I_e^n X_{\hbar}$ each annihilated by $\operatorname{Ann}(X_{\hbar})$ —there is an obvious inclusion $\operatorname{Ann}(X_{\hbar}) \subseteq \operatorname{Ann}(\widehat{X}_{\hbar})$. And since $\Gamma^1_{\operatorname{lf}} \widehat{X}_{\hbar} \subseteq \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$, we have $\operatorname{Ann}(\widehat{X}_{\hbar}) \subseteq \operatorname{Ann}(\Gamma^1_{\operatorname{lf}} \widehat{X}_{\hbar})$. Examining the formula for the $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -action on $\operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \Gamma^1_{\operatorname{lf}} \widehat{X}_{\hbar}$, it is clear that $\operatorname{Ann}(\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar})$ is the largest K-invariant subspace of $\operatorname{Ann}(\Gamma^1_{\operatorname{lf}} \widehat{X}_{\hbar})$. But $\operatorname{Ann}(X_{\hbar})$ is already K-invariant, so $\operatorname{Ann}(X_{\hbar}) \subseteq \operatorname{Ann}(\Phi_e X_{\hbar})$.
- (4) Consider the abelian category $M^{\geq 0}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ of $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -modules with non-negative gradings. In the proof of Proposition 3.10, we defined a functor $R: R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) \text{mod} \to M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ right adjoint to the forgetful functor. R was defined by

$$R(B) = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} R^1(B), \quad B \in R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) - \text{mod},$$

for R^1B a certain K-equivariant $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module produced canonically from B. We could have defined

$$R(B) = \bigoplus_{n \ge 0} R^1(B), \quad B \in R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) - \text{mod.}$$

This is still a $(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ -module since $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ is nonnegatively graded, and the resulting functor $R: R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}) - \text{mod} \to M^{\geq 0}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ is right adjoint to the corresponding forgetful functor. Then the general fact cited in the proof of Proposition 3.12 implies enough injectives in $M^{\geq 0}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$.

Now, consider the category $M^b(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$ of (\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) -modules with gradings bounded from below. If $X_{\hbar} \in M^b(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$, we can shift the grading on X_{\hbar} by an appropriate integer N to obtain an object $X_{\hbar}^N \in M^{\geq 0}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$. X_{\hbar}^N has an injective covering $X_{\hbar}^N \hookrightarrow I$ in $M^{\geq 0}(\mathfrak{g},K)$ by the result of the previous paragraph. Since the shift $I^{-N} \in M^b(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$ remains injective, $X_{\hbar} \hookrightarrow I^{-N}$ is an injective covering of X_{\hbar} . Hence, $M^b(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$ has enough injectives as well.

Let $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. X_{\hbar} is finitely-generated over a nonnegatively-graded ring and, therefore, an object of $M^b(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Choose an injective resolution $0 \to X_{\hbar} \to I^{\bullet}$ in $M^b(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. The result follows from the standard construction of $R^i \Phi_e X_{\hbar}$.

From these properties, we deduce

Proposition 3.14. Φ_e is a localization functor for the subcategory $HC_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \subset HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$.

Proof. We will apply the general criterion of Proposition 2.13. We proved in Proposition 3.12 that the functors

$$\mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) \stackrel{\widehat{\bullet}}{\longleftarrow} \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}$$

form an adjoint pair and in part (2) of Proposition 3.13 that $\ker \Phi_e = \mathrm{HC}_{\partial \mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. It remains to show that $\Gamma : \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}} \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ is fully faithful.

Choose objects $\widehat{X}_{\hbar}, \widehat{Y}_{\hbar} \in \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}$. Suppose $f \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar}, \Gamma \widehat{Y}_{\hbar})$. Compose f with the natural map $\Gamma \widehat{Y}_{\hbar} \to Y_{\hbar} \to \widehat{Y}_{\hbar}$ to obtain an L and \mathbb{C}^{\times} -equivariant $R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module homomorphism $\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar} \to \widehat{Y}_{\hbar}$. Since \widehat{Y}_{\hbar} is complete in the \widehat{I}_{e} -adic topology (Proposition 3.6), this homomorphism extends to a unique morphism $\widehat{f} \in \operatorname{Hom}_{\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\hbar},L,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\widehat{\Phi_{e}}\widehat{X}_{\hbar},\widehat{Y}_{\hbar})$ making the following diagram commute

$$\Gamma \widehat{X}_{\hbar} \xrightarrow{f} \Gamma \widehat{Y}_{\hbar}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\widehat{\Phi_{\alpha} X_{\hbar}} \xrightarrow{-\exists ! \widetilde{f}} \widehat{Y}_{\hbar}$$

The restriction $\widetilde{f}|_{\widehat{X}_{\hbar}}$ is a morphism in $\operatorname{Hom}_{\widehat{g}_{\hbar},L,\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\widehat{X}_{\hbar},\widehat{Y}_{\hbar})$ and the correspondence $f\mapsto \widetilde{f}|_{\widehat{X}_{\hbar}}$ defines a map $\operatorname{Hom}(\Gamma\widehat{X}_{\hbar},\Gamma\widehat{Y}_{\hbar})\to \operatorname{Hom}(\widehat{X}_{\hbar},\widehat{Y}_{\hbar})$ which is manifestly inverse to Γ .

From Proposition 3.14 and the general properties of localization (Proposition 2.12), we get a number of additional properties more or less for free:

Corollary 3.15. Φ_e has the following additional properties

(1) For every $X_{\hbar} \in HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$, the kernel and cokernel of the natural map

$$X_{\hbar} \to \Phi_e X_{\hbar}$$

are objects in $HC_{\partial \mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$

(2) $X_{\hbar} \in \mathrm{Im}\Phi_e$ if and only if

$$\operatorname{Hom}(\operatorname{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K),X_{\hbar}) = \operatorname{Ext}^{1}(X_{\hbar},\operatorname{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)) = 0$$

(3) $\widehat{\bullet} \circ \Gamma : \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}} \to \mathcal{A}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}$ is the identity functor. In particular, the injection $\widehat{X}_{\hbar} \hookrightarrow \widehat{\Phi_e X_{\hbar}}$ from Proposition 3.13(1) is actually an isomorphism.

If we choose a different representative $e' \in \mathbb{O}$, we get a different functor $\Phi_{e'}$: $\mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$. This functor enjoys all of the properties enumerated above. In particular, it is a localization functor for the subcategory $\mathrm{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$. But localization functors are defined by a universal property and are therefore unique up to natural isomorphism. This proves

Proposition 3.16. If $e, e' \in \mathbb{O}$, there is a natural isomorphism

$$\Phi_e \simeq \Phi_{e'}$$
.

We can therefore write $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ without ambiguity.

Recall the embedding

$$R_{\hbar}: \mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}_{\overline{\square}}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\square}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$$

from Proposition 3.3. Setting $\hbar = 1$ defines a right inverse to R_{\hbar}

$$\hbar = 1 : \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K),$$

which restricts to an equivalence on the subcategory $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{tf}}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$ of \hbar -torsion free (\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K) -modules. The condition of being \hbar -torsion free means that

$$0 \to X_{\hbar} \stackrel{\hbar^n}{\to} X_{\hbar}$$
 is exact $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Since $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ is left-exact, this condition is preserved under application of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$. So $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ preserves the subcategory $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{tf}}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$. Proposition 3.17 is analogous to the discussion at the beginning of [13, Sec 3.4].

Proposition 3.17. $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ descends to a well-defined functor on $HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$. More precisely, there is a unique functor

$$\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}: \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$$

 $making\ the\ following\ diagram\ commute$

Proof. First, we will describe how we would *like* to define $\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$. Then we will prove that this definition makes sense. Define the functor

$$P = \text{forget} \circ (\hbar = 1) \circ \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} \circ R_{\hbar} : HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}^{\text{filt}}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \to HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K).$$

For an object $X \in \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$, we would like to define

$$(3.2) \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X = P(X, \mathcal{F})$$

for any choice of good filtration \mathcal{F} . For a morphism $f: X \to Y$ in $\mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ we would like to define

$$(3.3) \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}f: P(f:(X,\mathcal{F}) \to (Y,\mathcal{G}))$$

for any choice of good filtrations \mathcal{F} on X and \mathcal{G} on Y compatible with f. There are several things to prove.

Objects. If \mathcal{F} is a good filtration on X and s is an integer, write \mathcal{F}^s for the filtration defined by $\mathcal{F}_i^s X = \mathcal{F}_{s+i} X$. \mathcal{F}^s is good. If $s \geq t$ there is an identity map

$$\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^s,\mathcal{F}^t}:(X,\mathcal{F}^s)\to (X,\mathcal{F}^t),$$

and it is clear from the construction of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ that $P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^s,\mathcal{F}^t})$ is the identity.

Now let \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} be arbitrary good filtrations on X. There are integers $r \leq s \leq t \leq w$ such that for every integer i

$$(3.4) \mathcal{F}_{i+r}X \subseteq \mathcal{G}_{i+s}X \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{i+t}X \subseteq \mathcal{G}_{i+w}.$$

For a proof of this simple fact, see [18, Prop 2.2]. So the identity map defines morphisms

$$\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{G}^s}: (X,\mathcal{F}^r) \to (X,\mathcal{G}^s),$$

$$\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{G}^s,\mathcal{F}^t}: (X,\mathcal{G}^s) \to (X,\mathcal{F}^t),$$

$$\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{F}^t,\mathcal{F}^w}: (X,\mathcal{F}^t) \to (X,\mathcal{G}^w)$$

in $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$. From the previous paragraph and the functoriality of P we have

$$P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{G}^s,\mathcal{F}^t}) \circ P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{G}^s}) = P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{G}^s,\mathcal{F}^t} \circ \mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{G}^s}) = P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{F}^t}) = \mathrm{id},$$

$$P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^t,\mathcal{G}^w}) \circ P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{G}^s,\mathcal{F}^t}) = P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^s,\mathcal{G}^w} \circ \mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{G}^s,\mathcal{F}^t}) = P(\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{G}^s,\mathcal{G}^w}) = \mathrm{id}.$$

Hence, $P(\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{G}^s,\mathcal{F}^t})$; $P(X,\mathcal{G}^s) \to P(X,\mathcal{F}^t)$ is an isomorphism. But $P(X,\mathcal{F}^t) = P(X,\mathcal{F})$ and $P(X,\mathcal{G}^s) = P(X,\mathcal{G})$. So in fact $P(X,\mathcal{F}) \simeq P(X,\mathcal{G})$. Note that this isomorphism is independent of r,s,t, and w. Thus, the isomorphisms identifying $P(X,\mathcal{F})$ and $P(X,\mathcal{G})$ are well-defined.

Morphisms. Suppose $f: X \to Y$ is a morphism in $\mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$. Choose two different lifts $f_{\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G}}: (X,\mathcal{F}) \to (Y,\mathcal{G})$ and $f_{\mathcal{F}',\mathcal{G}'}: (X,\mathcal{F}') \to (Y,\mathcal{G}')$ to $\mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{filt}}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$. We hope to show that

$$P(f_{\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G}}) = P(f_{\mathcal{F}',\mathcal{G}'})$$

up to the isomorphisms $P(X, \mathcal{F}) \simeq P(X, \mathcal{F}')$ and $P(Y, \mathcal{G}) \simeq P(Y, \mathcal{G}')$ constructed above

From (3.4), there are integers r and s such that the identity maps on X and Y induce morphisms

$$\mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{F}}:(X,\mathcal{F}^r)\to(X,\mathcal{F}),\\ \mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{F}'}:(X,\mathcal{F}^r)\to(X,\mathcal{F}'),\\ \mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{G},\mathcal{G}^s}:(X,\mathcal{G})\to(X,\mathcal{G}^s),\\ \mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{G}',\mathcal{G}^s}:(X,\mathcal{G}')\to(X,\mathcal{G}^s).$$

 $P(\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{F}})$ and $P(\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{G},\mathcal{G}^s})$ are the identity maps (on X and Y, respectively), and $P(\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{F}^r,\mathcal{F}'})$ and $P(\operatorname{id}_{\mathcal{G}',\mathcal{G}^s})$ are isomorphisms. The isomorphisms $P(X,\mathcal{F}) \simeq P(X,\mathcal{F}')$ and $P(Y,\mathcal{G}) \simeq P(Y,\mathcal{G}')$ obtained from these maps coincide with the isomorphisms constructed above. By the functoriality of P, $P(f_{\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G}}) = P(f_{\mathcal{F}',\mathcal{G}'})$ up to these isomorphisms.

As one might expect, $\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$ inherits all of the essential properties of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$. Combining Proposition 3.13 with Proposition 3.17, we easily deduce the following.

Proposition 3.18. The functor

$$\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}: \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K),$$

which is well-defined by Proposition 3.17, has the following properties:

- (1) $\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$ is left exact.
- (2) $\ker \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}} = \mathrm{HC}_{\partial \mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$
- (3) $\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$ is a localization functor for the subcategory $HC_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g},K) \subset HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$

- (4) There is a natural transformation $id \to \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$
- (5) For every $X \in HC_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$

$$\operatorname{Hom}(\operatorname{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g},K),X) = \operatorname{Ext}^1(X,\operatorname{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g},K)) = 0.$$

(6) For every $X \in HC_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$,

$$\operatorname{Ann}(X) \subseteq \operatorname{Ann}(\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X).$$

In particular, $\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$ preserves central character.

In short, $\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$ is a left exact endofunctor of $\mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$ which annihilates the subcategory $\mathrm{HC}_{\partial\mathbb{O}}(\mathfrak{g},K)$. It is (in a precise sense) a quantum analogue of the localization functor j_*j^* : $\mathrm{Coh}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^\times}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})\to\mathrm{Coh}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^\times}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})$.

3.3. Irreducibility of the associated variety. As an application of the construction in the previous subsection, we will provide here an alternative proof of Theorem 2.3(iv).

Proposition 3.19. Let X be an irreducible (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module and let \mathbb{O}_G denote the (unique) open G-orbit in AV(Ann(X)). If AV(X) is reducible, then

$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}_G, \overline{\mathbb{O}}_G) = 2.$$

Proof. Suppose

(3.5)
$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}_G, \overline{\mathbb{O}}_G) \ge 4.$$

We will show that AV(X) is irreducible using (a variant of) the functor $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ constructed in the previous subsection. Let \mathbb{O} be an open K-orbit in AV(X). Note that (3.5) implies

$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}, \overline{\mathbb{O}}) \ge 2,$$

see (ii) of Theorem 2.3. By Proposition 3.11, $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ restricts to an endofunctor of $\mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar},K)$. The key input was Proposition A.3 combined with Proposition A.5. In Proposition A.3, we took U to be an open dense subset of the ambient variety X. If we assume only that U is dense in a component, we can prove a similar result (by exactly the same methods). Namely, we can exhibit a natural isomorphism

$$\Gamma M \simeq j_* j^* M$$

for every $M \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})$. The sheaf j_*j^*M is coherent (by Proposition A.5) and supported in \overline{U} . Repeating the proof of Proposition 3.11, we see that $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ restricts to a functor

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}: \mathrm{HC}_{\mathrm{AV}(X)}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K).$$

This descends to a functor

$$\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}: \mathrm{HC}_{\mathrm{AV}(\mathrm{X})}(\mathfrak{g}, K) \to \mathrm{HC}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$$

by a version of Proposition 3.17. By (4) of Proposition 3.18, there is a natural morphism of Harish-Chandra modules

$$X \to \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}} X$$

which is manifestly injective since X is irreducible. Since the associated variety is additive on short exact sequences, we deduce that $AV(X) \subseteq AV(\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X) \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{O}}$ and hence that $AV(X) = \overline{\mathbb{O}}$. This completes the proof.

4. Vogan's conjecture and the cohomology of admissible vector bundles

In this section we will show that, under a slightly stronger codimension condition, Vogan's conjecture (cf. Conjecture 2.7) follows from a purely geometric condition on admissible vector bundles.

Theorem 4.1. Suppose X is a special unipotent Harish-Chandra module, and suppose $AC(X) = ([\mathcal{E}])$, where \mathcal{E} is an (admissible K-equivariant) vector bundle on a nilpotent K-orbit $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$. Let $\mathbb{O}_G = G \cdot \mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}$ and assume \mathbb{O}_G satisfies the condition

(4.1)
$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}_G, \overline{\mathbb{O}}_G) \ge 6.$$

 $Also\ assume$

$$H^1(\mathbb{O},\mathcal{E})=0.$$

Then there is an isomorphism of algebraic K-representations

$$(4.2) X \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}).$$

The cohomological condition on the admissible vector bundle \mathcal{E} in Theorem 4.1 can be verified in many cases. In Section 5, we will show that if $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ is complex, then this condition is always satisfied (provided (4.1) holds). In [15], we show that this condition holds for the K-forms of the so-called 'model orbit' for $G_{\mathbb{R}} = \operatorname{Sp}(2n, \mathbb{R})$ (i.e. the orbit corresponding to the partition (2^n) of 2n).

Lemma 4.2. Take X as in Theorem 4.1, and let

$$M := \operatorname{gr}(X) \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}} (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^* \subset M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K).$$

Then the following are true

- (i) $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M \simeq \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E})$ as K-representations.
- (ii) $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M=0$.

Proof. Choose a finite filtration by $K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}$ -equivariant subsheaves

$$0 = M_0 \subset M_1 \subset \cdots \subset M_n = M$$

such that $N_i := M_k/M_{k-1} \in \operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}})$ for $1 \leq k \leq n$. Write $\mathcal{E}_i := N_k|_{\mathbb{O}}$, a $K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}$ -equivariant vector bundle on \mathbb{O} . By the definition of the associated K-cycle (cf. (2.1)), we have

$$[\mathcal{E}] = \sum_{k=1}^{n} [\mathcal{E}_i]$$

in $K\mathrm{Vec}^K(\mathbb{O})$. Refining the filtration if necessary, we can further assume that \mathcal{E}_k is irreducible, for each k, and hence a direct summand in \mathcal{E} (since \mathcal{E} is assumed to be semisimple).

We will prove both (i) and (ii) by induction on n. If n = 0, there is nothing to prove. Assume (i) and (ii) hold up to n - 1. There is a short exact sequence in $\operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}} (\mathfrak{q}/\mathfrak{k})^*$

$$0 \to M_{n-1} \to M \to N_n \to 0,$$

and hence a long exact sequence in $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ (4.3)

$$0 \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M_{n-1} \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} N_n \to R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M_{n-1} \to R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M \to R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} N_n \to \dots$$

Let $\mathcal{E}' := \bigoplus_{k=1}^{n-1} \mathcal{E}_k$. By the induction hypothesis,

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M_{n-1} \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}'), \qquad R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M_{n-1} = 0.$$

By Proposition 3.11, the restriction of $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ to the subcategory $\operatorname{Coh}^{K\times\mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\overline{\mathbb{O}}) \subset M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$ coincides with the functor j_*j^* , which in turn coincides (since $\overline{\mathbb{O}}$ is affine) with the global sections functor $\Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \bullet)$. Hence $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}N_n \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}_n)$ and $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}N_n \simeq H^1(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}_n)$. Note that $H^1(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}_n) = 0$, since \mathcal{E}_n is a direct summand in \mathcal{E} and $H^1(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}) = 0$. So $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}N_n = 0$. Now (5.2) becomes

$$0 \to \Phi_{\mathbb{Q}} M_{n-1} \to \Phi_{\mathbb{Q}} M \to \Phi_{\mathbb{Q}} N_n \to 0 \to R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{Q}} M \to 0 \to \dots$$

Exactness implies that $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M=0$, proving (ii). For (i), consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M_{n-1} \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} N_n \to 0.$$

Since K is reductive, this sequence splits upon restriction to K. Hence

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M \simeq_K \Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M_{n-1} \oplus \Phi_{\mathbb{O}}N_n \simeq \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}') \oplus \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}_n) \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}),$$

as desired. \Box

We are now prepared to prove Theorem 4.1.

Proof of Theorem 4.1. The proof has two steps. First, we show that there is a natural isomorphism in $M(\mathfrak{g}, K)$

$$(4.4) X \simeq \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}} X.$$

Then we show that

$$(4.5) \operatorname{gr}(\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X) \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}).$$

Since K is reductive, $X \simeq_K \operatorname{gr}(X)$. So (4.4) and (4.5) imply

$$X \simeq_K \operatorname{gr}(X) \simeq_K \operatorname{gr}(\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X) \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}),$$

as asserted.

Step 1. By (4) of Proposition 3.18, there is a natural map

$$(4.6) \eta: X \to \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X.$$

Since X is irreducible, η is injective. Let Y be its cokernel. By (6) of Proposition 3.18 $\operatorname{Ann}(X) \subseteq \operatorname{Ann}(Y)$. If $\operatorname{Ann}(X) = \operatorname{Ann}(Y)$, then by Theorem 2.3, $\operatorname{dim} \operatorname{AV}(X) = \operatorname{dim} \operatorname{AV}(Y)$. Yet by (2) of Proposition 3.18, $\operatorname{AV}(Y) \subseteq \partial \mathbb{O}$. So $\operatorname{Ann}(X) \subsetneq \operatorname{Ann}(Y)$. Since X is special unipotent, $\operatorname{Ann}(X)$ is a maximal ideal. So in fact $\operatorname{Ann}(Y) = U(\mathfrak{g})$. Hence, Y = 0 and (4.6) is an isomorphism.

Step 2. Choose a good filtration on X and let $X_{\hbar} = R_{\hbar}X \in \mathrm{HC}^{\mathrm{tf}}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$. Write $M = X_{\hbar}/\hbar X_{\hbar} = \mathrm{gr}(X) \in \mathrm{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}_{\overline{\mathbb{O}}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. Since X_{\hbar} is \hbar -torsion free, multiplication by \hbar gives rise to a short exact sequence in $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$

$$0 \to X_{\hbar} \stackrel{\cdot \hbar}{\to} X_{\hbar} \to M \to 0.$$

Since $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}$ is left-exact, there is an associated long exact sequence in $M(\mathfrak{g}_{\hbar}, K)$

$$(4.7) \quad 0 \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} \stackrel{\cdot \hbar}{\to} \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M \to R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} \stackrel{\cdot \hbar}{\to} R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} \to R^1 \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M \to \dots$$

By (ii) of Lemma 4.2, we have $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M = 0$. So $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar} \stackrel{\cdot \hbar}{\to} R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}$ is surjective. By (4) of Proposition 3.13, the grading on $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}$ is bounded from below,

and multiplication by \hbar increases degree. So $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}=\hbar R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}$ implies that $R^1\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}=0$. Now (4.7) becomes

$$(4.8) 0 \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} \stackrel{\cdot \hbar}{\to} \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} \to \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M \to 0.$$

In other words, there is an isomorphism

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} / \hbar \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} X_{\hbar} \simeq \Phi_{\mathbb{O}} M$$

in $\operatorname{Coh}^{K \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. The left hand side is identified with the associated graded of the filtered Harish-Chandra module $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}/(\hbar-1)\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}$. There is an isomorphism of (\mathfrak{g}, K) -modules (immediate from the definition of $\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}$)

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}/(\hbar-1)\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}X_{\hbar}\simeq \overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X.$$

Thus

$$[\operatorname{gr}(\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X)] = [\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M]$$

in $K \operatorname{Coh}^K(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k})^*$. By (i) of Lemma 4.2, $\Phi_{\mathbb{O}}M \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E})$. So

$$\operatorname{gr}(\overline{\Phi}_{\mathbb{O}}X) \simeq_K \Gamma(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}).$$

5. Vogan's conjecture for complex groups

Let $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ be a complex connected reductive algebraic group, regarded as a real group by restriction of scalars. In this case, one can make several standard identifications (see [4, Introduction]):

$$G \simeq G_{\mathbb{R}} \times G_{\mathbb{R}},$$
 $\mathcal{N} \simeq \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \times \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{R}},$ $K \simeq \{(g,g) \in G_{\mathbb{R}} \times G_{\mathbb{R}}\},$ $\mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}} \simeq \{(\lambda,\lambda) \in \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{R}} \times \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{R}}\}.$

In particular, every K-orbit $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ can be K-equivariantly identified with a nilpotent coadjoint K-orbit and is therefore a symplectic variety. We will prove the following result.

Proposition 5.1. Suppose $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ is complex. Let $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ be a K-orbit and let \mathcal{E} be an admissible K-equivariant vector bundle on \mathbb{O} . Then

$$H^{i}(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}) = 0, \qquad 0 < i < \operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}, \overline{\mathbb{O}}) - 1.$$

Corollary 5.2. Suppose $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ is complex and let $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ be a K-orbit such that (5.1) $\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}, \overline{\mathbb{O}}) \geq 4$.

Suppose X is a special unipotent representation of $G_{\mathbb{R}}$ such that $AV(X) = \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$. Then the conclusion of Vogan's conjecture (cf. Conjecture 2.7) holds for X.

Proof. We will apply Theorem 4.1. Fix \mathcal{E} and \mathbb{O}_G as in the statement of that theorem. There are two conditions to check: the codimension condition $\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}_G, \overline{\mathbb{O}}_G)$ ≥ 6 and the cohomological condition $H^1(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}) = 0$. From (5.1) we deduce

$$\operatorname{codim}(\partial\mathbb{O}_G,\overline{\mathbb{O}}_G)=2\operatorname{codim}(\partial\mathbb{O},\overline{\mathbb{O}})\geq 8.$$

In particular, $\operatorname{codim}(\partial \mathbb{O}_G, \overline{\mathbb{O}}_G) \geq 6$. From Proposition 5.1 we deduce

$$H^i(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}) = 0, \qquad 0 < i < 3.$$

In particular, $H^1(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}) = 0$.

The proof of Proposition 5.1 will require some preparation.

Lemma 5.3. Let V be an affine variety and $U \subset V$ an open subset with complement $Z = V \setminus U$. If $M \in QCoh(X)$ is Cohen-Macaulay, then

$$H^{i}(U, M|_{U}) = 0,$$
 $0 < i < \text{codim}(Z, V) - 1.$

Proof. Let $H_Z^i(V,M)$ denote the cohomology of X with support in Z. There is a long exact sequence

(5.2)
$$0 \to H_Z^0(V, M) \to H^0(V, M) \to H^0(U, M|_U) \to \dots$$

See, e.g., [16, Thm 9.4]. Since V is affine, $H^i(V, M) = 0$ for i > 0. Together with (5.2), this implies

(5.3)
$$H^{i}(U, M|_{U}) \simeq H_{Z}^{i+1}(V, M), \quad i \ge 1.$$

The vanishing behavior of the cohomology groups $H_Z^i(V,M)$ is controlled by the Z-depth of M, denoted $\operatorname{depth}_Z(M)$. This is defined to be the length of the longest M-regular sequence of functions in the ideal defining Z. We have in general (without hypotheses on V or on M)

(5.4)
$$H_Z^i(V, M) = 0, i < \operatorname{depth}_Z(M).$$

See, e.g., [9, Thm 5.8]. And for M Cohen-Macaulay

(5.5)
$$\operatorname{depth}_{Z}(M) = \operatorname{codim}(Z, V).$$

See, e.g., [6, Chp 18]. Combining equations (5.3), (5.4), and (5.5) proves the result.

Our application of Lemma 5.3 will be somewhat indirect. Let $\mathbb{O} \subset \mathcal{N}_{\mathfrak{k}}$ be a K-orbit, and let $p:\widetilde{\mathbb{O}} \to \mathbb{O}$ denote the universal K-equivariant cover. Consider the affine varieties $V:=\operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[\mathbb{O}])$ and $\widetilde{V}:=\operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}])$. There are open embeddings $\mathbb{O} \subset V$, $\widetilde{\mathbb{O}} \subset \widetilde{V}$, and the complement of \mathbb{O} in V (resp. $\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}$ in \widetilde{V}) is of codimension ≥ 2 . Of course, the covering map $p:\widetilde{\mathbb{O}} \to \mathbb{O}$ extends to a finite K-equivariant surjection $p':\widetilde{V} \to V$. Thus, there is a commutative square:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widetilde{\mathbb{O}} & & & \widetilde{V} \\ \downarrow^p & & & \downarrow^{p'} \\ \mathbb{O} & & & V \end{array}$$

Theorem 5.4. The varieties \widetilde{V} and V are Cohen-Macaulay.

Proof. By [8, Thm 3.3], V is Gorenstein with rational singularities. Thus by [5, Thm 6.2], the same is true of \widetilde{V} . In characteristic 0, rational singularities implies Cohen-Macaulay, see, e.g., [12, Thm 5.10]. This completes the proof.

Proof of Proposition 5.1. Recall that \mathbb{O} can be identified with a nilpotent coadjoint K-orbit. In particular, \mathbb{O} admits a K-equivariant symplectic form τ . The pullback $p^*\tau$ of τ along the covering map $p:\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}\to\mathbb{O}$ is a K-equivariant symplectic form on

 $\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}$. The top exterior power of $p^*\tau$ defines a global trivialization of the canonical bundle $\omega_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}$ on $\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}$. So the admissibility condition of Definition 2.5 becomes

$$(5.6) p^* \mathcal{E} \otimes p^* \mathcal{E} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}.$$

Choose $e \in \mathbb{O}$ and write $\rho: K_e \to \operatorname{GL}(E)$ for the K_e -representation on the fiber E over e, see the remarks preceding Theorem 2.6. Then (5.6) is equivalent to the condition $2d\rho = 0$. In other words, ρ descends to a representation of the (finite) component group K_e/K_e° .

Let $d := \operatorname{codim}(\mathbb{O}, V) = \operatorname{codim}(\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}, \widetilde{V})$. By Theorem 5.4, \widetilde{V} is Cohen-Macaulay. So Lemma 5.3, applied to $\widetilde{\mathbb{O}} \subset \widetilde{V}$, implies that

$$H^i(\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}, \mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}) = 0, \qquad 0 < i < d - 1.$$

Consider the K-equivariant vector bundle $p_*\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{Q}}}$ on \mathbb{Q} . Since p is finite, and hence affine,

(5.7)
$$H^{i}(\mathbb{O}, p_{*}\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}) \simeq H^{i}(\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}, \mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}) = 0, \qquad 0 < i < d - 1.$$

Under the equivalence $\operatorname{Vec}^K(\mathbb{O}) \simeq \operatorname{Rep}(K_e)$, the vector bundle $p_*\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{V}}$ corresponds to the K_e -representation $\mathbb{C}[K_e/K_e^\circ]$. By the representation theory of finite groups, every irreducible representation of K_e/K_e° appears as a direct summand in $\mathbb{C}[K_e/K_e^\circ]$. So every irreducible admissible vector bundle on \mathbb{O} appears as a direct summand in $p_*\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{O}}}$. The vector bundle \mathcal{E} is a direct sum of such irreducibles. So

$$H^i(\mathbb{O}, \mathcal{E}) = 0, \qquad 0 < i < d - 1,$$

as asserted. \Box

APPENDIX A. HOMOGENEOUS VECTOR BUNDLES

Let K be an algebraic group acting on an affine variety $V = \operatorname{Spec}(R)$. Suppose V contains an open, dense K-orbit $j:U\subset V$ and let $Z=V\setminus U$. Choose a point $x\in U$ and let $H=K^x$. Since K acts transitively on U, a K-equivariant coherent sheaf $M\in\operatorname{Coh}^K(U)$ is (the sheaf of sections of) a homogeneous vector bundle, and we will speak interchangeably of K-equivariant vector bundles and K-equivariant coherent sheaves on U. The geometric fiber of M over x is a finite-dimensional vector space carrying a natural action of H. On the other hand, if E is a finite-dimensional H-representation, there is a K-equivariant vector bundle $K\times_HE\to U$ with fiber equal to E. It is formed as the quotient space of $K\times E$ under the natural right H-action $h\cdot(k,v)=(kh,h^{-1}v)$. Taking the fiber over x and forming the vector bundle $K\times_HE$ define mutually inverse equivalences between $\operatorname{Coh}^K(U)$ and the category of finite-dimensional H-representations.

Define the subgroup $K^1 = K^0 H$ and let $i: U^x \subset U$ be the connected component of x. We can describe U^x as a homogeneous space in two different ways.

Lemma A.1. The following are true:

- (1) K^0 acts transitively on U^x with isotropy $H \cap K^0$.
- (2) K^1 acts transitively on U^x with isotropy H.
- Proof. (1) Clearly $K^0x \subseteq U^x$, since K^0 is connected. Conversely, suppose $y \in U^x$. Then there is a path connecting x to y in U. By the path-lifting property for fibrations, there is a group element $k \in K$ such that kx = y

and a path from 1 to k in K lifting the path from x to y in U. In particular, $k \in K^0$. Therefore, $U^x \subseteq K^0x$.

(2) Note that K^1x is identified with $K^1/H = K_0H/H$ and K_0H/H is bijective onto $K_0/(H \cap K_0)$. Thus, K^1x is connected. This provides an inclusion $K^1x \subseteq U^x$. The reverse inclusion follows from (1): $U^x = K^0x \subseteq K^1x$.

Let $\widetilde{U}^x = K^0/H^0$ and let $p: \widetilde{U}^x = K^0/H^0 \to K^0/(H \cap K^0) = U^x$ be the natural projection. Let \widetilde{V} be the normalization of V in the function field of \widetilde{U}^x . Then \widetilde{V} is a normal affine variety with an algebraic action of K^0 , an open K^0 -equivariant immersion $\widetilde{U}^x \subset \widetilde{V}$, and a finite, K^0 -equivariant map $p': \widetilde{V} \to V$ extending the map $p: \widetilde{U}^x \to U^x$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\widetilde{U}^x & \longrightarrow & \widetilde{V} \\
\downarrow^p & & \downarrow^{p'} \\
U^x & \stackrel{j \circ i}{\longrightarrow} & V
\end{array}$$

Let $M \in \operatorname{Coh}^K(V)$. Write $\mathcal{E} = M|_U \in \operatorname{Coh}^K(U)$ and E for the fiber over x (a finite-dimensional representation of H). Let $\mathfrak{m}_x \subset R$ be the maximal ideal defining x and form the completion of M with respect to \mathfrak{m}_x

$$\widehat{M} = \underline{\lim} \, M/\mathfrak{m}_x^n M.$$

Note that \widehat{M} is a module for the completed algebra $\widehat{R} = \varprojlim R/\mathfrak{m}_x^n R$. The actions of H and \mathfrak{k} on R preserve \mathfrak{m}_x and therefore lift to the completion. These structures exhibit the usual compatibility conditions:

- (1) The action map $\widehat{R} \otimes \widehat{M} \to \widehat{M}$ is \mathfrak{k} and H-equivariant
- (2) The action map $\mathfrak{k} \otimes \widehat{M} \to \widehat{M}$ is H-equivariant
- (3) The \mathfrak{k} -action coincides on \mathfrak{h} with the differentiated action of H.

Here are some basic facts about \widehat{M} .

Proposition A.2. The following are true:

(1) The stalk M_x is a module for the local ring R_x . Form the completions $\widehat{R_x}$ and $\widehat{M_x}$ with respect to $\mathfrak{m}_x \subset R_x$.

$$\widehat{R_x} = \varprojlim R_x/\mathfrak{m}_x^n,$$

$$\widehat{M_x} = \varprojlim M_x/\mathfrak{m}_x^n M_x.$$

Then the natural map $\widehat{R} \to \widehat{R_x}$ is an isomorphism of algebras, and the natural map $\widehat{M} \to \widehat{M_x}$ is an isomorphism of \mathfrak{k} and H-equivariant \widehat{R} -modules.

(2) The sections $\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})$ form a K-equivariant R-module. One can define the completion

$$\widehat{\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})} = \varprojlim \Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})/\mathfrak{m}_x^n \Gamma(U,\mathcal{E}).$$

The natural map

$$\widehat{M} \to \widehat{\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})}$$

is an isomorphism of $\mathfrak k$ and H-equivariant $\widehat R$ -modules.

(3) The sections $\Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$ form a K^0 -equivariant R-module. One can define the completion

$$\Gamma(\widehat{U^x,i^*\mathcal{E}}) = \varprojlim \Gamma(U^x,i^*\mathcal{E})/\mathfrak{m}_x^n \Gamma(U^x,i^*\mathcal{E}).$$

The natural map

$$\widehat{M} \to \Gamma(\widehat{U^x, i^*}\mathcal{E})$$

is an isomorphism of \mathfrak{k} and $H \cap K^0$ -equivariant \widehat{R} -modules.

(4) The sections $\Gamma(\tilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$ form a K^0 -equivariant R-module. One can define the completion

$$\widehat{\Gamma(\widetilde{U^x},p^*i^*\mathcal{E})} = \varprojlim \widehat{\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x,i^*\mathcal{E})}/\mathfrak{m}_x^n \widehat{\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x},p^*i^*\mathcal{E}).$$

The natural map

$$\widehat{M} \to \widehat{\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})}$$

is an isomorphism of \mathfrak{k} and H^0 -equivariant \widehat{R} -modules.

Proof. (1) By the exactness of localization, there are canonical isomorphisms

$$R_x/\mathfrak{m}_x^n \simeq (R/\mathfrak{m}_x^n)_x, \qquad n \ge 0.$$

But every element of R/\mathfrak{m}_x^n outside of $\mathfrak{m}_x/\mathfrak{m}_x^n$ is already a unit, so $(R/\mathfrak{m}_x^n)_x$ = R/\mathfrak{m}_x^n . The isomorphisms $R_x/\mathfrak{m}_x^n \simeq R/\mathfrak{m}_x^n$ give rise to an isomorphism $\widehat{R} \simeq \widehat{R}_x$. The isomorphism $\widehat{M} \simeq \widehat{M}_x$ is obtained in a similar manner.

(2) Form the quasi-coherent sheaf $j_*\mathcal{E}$. There is a natural map $M \to j_*\mathcal{E}$, which restricts to an isomorphism over U. Hence, the map of sheaves $M \to j_*\mathcal{E}$ induces an isomorphism of stalks

$$M_x \simeq (j_*\mathcal{E})_x = \Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})_x$$

and therefore an isomorphism of $\mathfrak k$ and H-equivariant $\widehat R$ -modules

$$\widehat{M_x} \simeq \widehat{\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})_x}.$$

But we saw in (1) that $\widehat{M} \simeq \widehat{M}_x$. The same argument shows that $\widehat{\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})} \simeq \widehat{\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})}_x$. Composing all of the isomorphisms in sight, we obtain $\widehat{M} \simeq \widehat{\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E})}$ as desired.

- (3) Repeat the proof for (2), replacing U with U^x , \mathcal{E} with $i^*\mathcal{E}$, and H with $H \cap K^0$.
- (4) Pulling back germs defines a $\mathfrak k$ and H^0 -equivariant R-module homomorphism

$$M_x \to (p^*i^*\mathcal{E})_{\widetilde{x}}$$

which is an isomorphism because p is a covering. We complete to obtain an isomorphism $\widehat{M_x} \simeq \widehat{(p^*i^*\mathcal{E})_{\widetilde{x}}}$ of \mathfrak{k} and H^0 -equivariant \widehat{R} -modules.

We saw in (1) that $\widehat{M} \simeq \widehat{M_x}$. By the remarks after Lemma A.1, \widetilde{U}^x embeds as an open subset in an affine variety \widetilde{V} . Denote by s the inclusion of \widetilde{U}^x into \widetilde{V} . Then $s_*p^*i^*\mathcal{E}$ is a quasi-coherent sheaf on \widetilde{V} with global sections $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$. In particular, $(p^*i^*\mathcal{E})_{\widetilde{x}} \simeq \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})_{\widetilde{x}}$ and therefore, $(p^*i^*\mathcal{E})_{\widetilde{x}} \simeq \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})_{\widetilde{x}}$. Applying part (1) to the sheaf $s_*p^*i^*\mathcal{E}$ provides an isomorphism $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}) \simeq \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})_{\widetilde{V}}$. Composing all of the isomorphisms in sight, we obtain $\widehat{M} \simeq \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$, as desired.

We will define a series of modules (all but the last will be subspaces of \widehat{M}) in analogy with the modules $\Gamma^0 \widehat{X}_{\hbar}, \Gamma^1 \widehat{X}_{\hbar}, \Gamma X_{\hbar}$ defined in Section 3.2.

(1) First, form the subspace $\Gamma^0 \widehat{M}$ of K^0 -finite vectors:

$$\Gamma^0 \widehat{M} = \{x \in \widehat{M} : x \text{ belongs to a finite-dimensional \mathfrak{k}-invariant}$$
 subspace which integrates to a representation of $K^0\}.$

Since K^0 is connected, $\Gamma^0\widehat{M}$ has a well-defined algebraic K^0 -action. It is also an R-submodule of \widehat{M} and the K^0 -action is compatible with the module structure in the two usual ways. Since the \mathfrak{k} -action on \widehat{M} is H-equivariant, $\Gamma^0\widehat{M}$ is invariant under H. Hence, $\Gamma^0\widehat{M}$ has two (in general, distinct) actions of $H \cap K^0$, restricted from H and K^0 , respectively.

(2) Next, form the subspace $\Gamma^1 \widehat{M}$ of $\Gamma^0 \widehat{M}$ consisting of vectors on which the two $H \cap K^0$ -actions coincide

$$\Gamma^1 \widehat{M} = \{ x \in \Gamma^0 \widehat{M} : l \cdot_1 x = l \cdot_2 x, \quad l \in L \cap K^0 \}.$$

This subspace is an R-submodule of $\Gamma^0 \widehat{M}$. It has algebraic actions of H and K^0 which agree on the intersection and therefore an algebraic action of $K^1 = HK^0$.

(3) Finally, induce up to K

$$\widehat{\Gamma M} = \operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \widehat{\Gamma}^1 \widehat{M}.$$

If we identify $\Gamma \widehat{M}$ with functions

$$\{f: K \to \Gamma^1 \widehat{M}: f(k'k) = k' \cdot f(k) \text{ for } k' \in K^1, k \in K\},$$

there is a natural R-module structure on $\widehat{\Gamma M}$ defined by the formula

$$(Yf)(k) = \operatorname{Ad}(b)(Y)f(k), \qquad Y \in R_{\hbar}U(\mathfrak{g}), k \in K, f \in \Gamma \widehat{M}.$$

It is easy to check that the action map $R \otimes \Gamma \widehat{M} \to \widehat{M}$ is K-equivariant.

These three modules have geometric significance.

Proposition A.3. There are natural isomorphisms

- (1) $\Gamma^0 \widehat{M} \simeq \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$ of K^1 -equivariant R-modules,
- (2) $\Gamma^1 \widehat{M} \simeq \Gamma(U^x, i^* \mathcal{E})$ of K^1 -equivariant R-modules,
- (3) $\Gamma \widehat{M} \simeq \Gamma(U, \mathcal{E})$ of K-equivariant R-modules.

We will need a certain 'Mackey' isomorphism.

Lemma A.4. Let W and T be finite-dimensional K and H-representations, respectively. To simplify the notation, write I(T) for the K-equivariant R-module $\Gamma(U, K \times_H T)$ and C(I(T)) for its completion at x. Then C(I(T)) is a $\mathfrak k$ and H-equivariant \widehat{R} -module. There is a natural isomorphism of $\mathfrak k$ and H-equivariant \widehat{R} -modules

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(W, C(I(T))) \simeq C(I(\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(W, T))).$$

Proof. We know from Mackey that I commutes with Hom (see, e.g. [11, Thm 2.95]). Furthermore, C commutes with Hom for general abstract reasons: C is a colimit and Hom is a left-adjoint. Combining these two facts gives the desired isomorphism.

Proof of Proposition A.3. riant \widehat{R} -modules

(1) There is a natural injection of $\mathfrak k$ and H^0 -equiva-

$$\alpha: \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}) \hookrightarrow \widehat{M}$$

obtained by composing the inclusion $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}) \subset \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$ with the isomorphism of Proposition A.2(4). Since $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}) = (\mathbb{C}[K^0] \otimes E)^{H^0} \subset \mathbb{C}[K^0] \otimes E$, which is locally-finite as a K^0 -representation, we have in fact

$$\alpha: \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}) \hookrightarrow \Gamma^0\widehat{M}.$$

Both sides are now locally-finite K^0 -representations and α is K^0 -equivariant. Now, consider the natural projection $r:\widehat{M}\to \widehat{M}/\widehat{\mathfrak{m}_x}\widehat{M}=E$. r is an H-equivariant R-module homomorphism. Moreover, the restriction of r to $\widehat{M}^{\mathfrak{k}}$ is injective: a kernel element is a Taylor series which is both locally constant and 0-valued at x, hence identically 0. Furthermore, H-equivariance implies $r(\widehat{M}^{\mathfrak{k}})\subseteq E^{\mathfrak{h}}$. Since the composition $p\circ\alpha$ is just evaluation at \widetilde{x}

$$(p \circ \alpha)\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})^{K^0} = E^{H^0} = E^{\mathfrak{h}}.$$

So the restriction of α to K^0 -invariants is an isomorphism

$$\alpha: \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})^{K^0} \simeq \widehat{M}^{\mathfrak{k}}.$$

We will use this fact to show that

$$\operatorname{Hom}_{K^0}(L,\Gamma^0\widehat{M}) = \operatorname{Hom}_{K^0}(L,\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x,p^*i^*\mathcal{E}))$$

for every finite-dimensional K^0 -representation L. This will imply that the injection $\alpha: \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}) \hookrightarrow \Gamma^0\widehat{M}$ of algebraic K^0 -representations is an isomorphism. Note that

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{Hom}_{K^0}(L,\Gamma^0\widehat{M}) &= \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(L,\widehat{M})^{\mathfrak{k}} & K^0 \text{ is connected} \\ &= \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(L,\overline{\Gamma(\tilde{U}^x,p^*i^*\mathcal{E})})^{\mathfrak{k}} & \operatorname{Proposition A.2(4)} \\ &= \overline{\Gamma(\tilde{U}^x,K^0\times_{H^0}\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(L,E))}^{\mathfrak{k}} & \operatorname{Lemma A.4} \\ &= \Gamma(\tilde{U}^x,K^0\times_{H^0}\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(L,E))^{K^0} & \operatorname{Remarks above} \\ &= \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(L,E)^{H^o} & \operatorname{obvious} \\ &= \operatorname{Hom}_{H^o}(L,E) & \operatorname{obvious} \\ &= \operatorname{Hom}_{K^0}(L,\Gamma(\tilde{U}^x,p^*i^*\mathcal{E})) & \operatorname{Frobenius reciprocity}. \end{split}$$

(2) As explained in the construction of $\Gamma^1\widehat{M}$, $\Gamma^0\widehat{M}$ has two (in general, distinct) algebraic $H \cap K^0$ -actions. These actions transfer to $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$ by means of the isomorphism $\Gamma^0\widehat{M} \simeq \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$ established above. We need a direct description of these actions on $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$.

There is, on the one hand, the obvious K^0 -action on \widetilde{U}^x . This induces a K^0 -action on sections, given by the formula

$$(h \cdot_1 f)(u) = f(h^{-1}u), \qquad f \in \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}), u \in \widetilde{U}^x, h \in K^0.$$

The action of H on $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$ is a bit more subtle. Since K^0 is a normal subgroup of K, H acts on \widetilde{U}^x by $h(k\widetilde{x}) = (h^{-1}kh)\widetilde{x}$. This induces an H-action on sections, given by

$$(h \cdot_2 f)(k\widetilde{x}) = f(h^{-1}kh\widetilde{x}), \qquad f \in \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}), k \in K^0, h \in H.$$

To see that these two actions are the right ones (i.e. come from the actions on $\Gamma^0\widehat{M}$ defined in the construction of $\Gamma^1\widehat{M}$) requires a painstaking analysis of the natural isomorphisms in (1). We leave the trivial details to the reader. Now if $f \in \Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E})$, then $(h \cdot_1 f) = (h \cdot_2 f)$ for every $h \in H \cap K^0$ if and only if $f \in \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$. Hence $\Gamma^1\widehat{M} = \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$.

(3) By (2) of Lemma A.1, $\Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$ has the structure of a K^1 -equivariant R-module, and the restriction map

$$\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E}) \to \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$$

is a homomorphism of K^1 -equivariant R-modules. The K-representation $\operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K\Gamma(U^x,i^*\mathcal{E})$ has the natural structure of a K-equivariant R-module as described in the construction of $\widehat{\Gamma M}$, and Frobenius reciprocity provides a natural map of K-equivariant R-modules

$$r: \Gamma(U, \mathcal{E}) \to \operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \Gamma(U^x, i^* \mathcal{E}).$$

If we identify $\operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$ with functions $f: K \to \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$ satisfying the transformation rule

$$f(k'k) = k'f(k), \qquad k \in K, k' \in K^1,$$

then a section $s \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{E})$ maps to the function $f_s: K \to \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$ defined by $f_s(k) = (ks)|_{U^x}$. From this description and the equality $KU^x = U$, it is clear that r is an injection. If we can show that $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{E}) \simeq \operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$ as K-representations, it will follow that r is an isomorphism. But as K-representations

$$\Gamma(U,\mathcal{E}) \simeq_K \operatorname{Ind}_H^K E \simeq_K \operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \operatorname{Ind}_H^{K^1} E \simeq_K \operatorname{Ind}_{K^1}^K \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E})$$

by the transitivity of induction.

Finally, there is the question of finite generation.

Theorem A.5. Suppose

$$\operatorname{codim}(Z, V) > 2.$$

Then the modules $\Gamma(\widetilde{U}^x, p^*i^*\mathcal{E}), \Gamma(U^x, i^*\mathcal{E}),$ and $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{E})$ are finitely-generated for R.

Proof. Combine Theorems 4.1 and 4.3 in [7].

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