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**Apoorva Khare\*** (apoorva@math.ucr.edu). *Decomposing representations of wreath products of semisimple Lie algebras.*

Let  $R$  be the wreath product of  $U(\mathfrak{g})$  with  $S_n$ , for some  $n$  and some complex semisimple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We first classify all finite-dimensional  $R$ -modules. Next, we compute the center of  $R$ , and classify all central characters on these modules (and others). The common theme here is an analogue of the BGG Category  $\mathcal{O}$  for  $R$  (and a far larger class of smash product algebras); we prove that this is a highest weight category, with block decomposition and (a modified form of) BGG Reciprocity. (Received January 31, 2008)