

G. Faltings Line bundles on the moduli of G-bundles

C proj smooth curve/ S , geom. irred fibres
 G simply connected simple or simple (like E_6)
 G -bundles E on $C \rightsquigarrow$ moduli stack \mathcal{M}_G/S

$\{\infty\}$ S -section, $\tilde{C} = C - \infty$: any G -bundle P is
 locally (étale) on S trivial on \tilde{C} & on \tilde{C}
 — given by a section of LG (after choice of local eqn for ∞)
 $LG(R) = G(R((t))) \supset L^{\geq 0}G(R) = G(R[[t]])$
 \downarrow grassmannian
 $L^{\leq 0}G(R) = G(R[[t^{-1}]])$ incl group scheme

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_G = \Gamma(\tilde{C}, G) \backslash LG / L^{\geq 0}G$$

incl scheme

$LG / L^{\geq 0}G = \mathbb{A}_G^1$ affine Grassmannian, $\text{Pic } \mathbb{A}_G^1 = \mathbb{Z}$,
 generator:

LG -orbits on $\mathbb{A}_G^1 \ni$ 1 open orbit through \ast
 1 codim 1 orbit H_θ $\theta =$ maximal root
 orbits classified by $w_0 \backslash W_{aff} / W_0 \simeq$ 1-parameter subgroups $\mathbb{A}_T^{\geq 0}$ in torus
 dominant

line bundle generator is $\mathcal{O}(H_\theta)$ (can define by filters
 by quotients which are \mathbb{A}^1 dim schemes)

$\mathcal{O}(H_\theta)$ equivariant under central extension

$$1 \rightarrow G_m \rightarrow \tilde{G} \rightarrow LG \rightarrow 1$$

Line bundles on $\mathcal{M}_G = \Gamma(\tilde{C}, G)$ -equivariant line bundles
 on \mathbb{A}_G^1 — $\Gamma(\tilde{C}, G)$ has no characters (Drinfeld)

\Rightarrow line bundle can be equivariant in at most one way

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Pic } \mathcal{M}_G \subseteq \text{Pic } \mathbb{A}_G^1 = \mathbb{Z}}$$

Main Theorem This is an isomorphism

\leftrightarrow have line bundle of "central charge" 1.

E G -representation P G -bundle $\Rightarrow E_P$ vector bundle on C
 $\Rightarrow \det(H^*(C, E_P))$ gives line bundle on \mathcal{M}_G ,

central charge: trace form for $E = \pm(\text{central charge}) \cdot B$
 $B =$ minimal form: $B(H_\theta, H_\theta) = 2$

eg A_n or C_n get charge 1 from representations.

E orthogonal representation \Rightarrow let $H^*(C, E_p)$ has a square root, the Pfaffian \Rightarrow get charge 1 for all classical groups and G_2 .

eg E_8 get factor 60 or 30 : charge is that of smallest dim rep in general.

Assume G simply laced, $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l$ simple roots,

E_1, \dots, E_l coroots, $a_{ij} = \langle \alpha_i, H_{\alpha_j} \rangle \in \{0, -1\}$

$w_0 =$ maximal element in W_G .

Involution $\alpha_i^* = -w_0(\alpha_i)$ on roots

Given P on $C_{S'}$ for any basechange $S' \rightarrow S$ want to associate functorially a line bundle L_P on S' (of charge 1)

$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : C_{S'} \rightarrow S'$ L, M line bundles on $C_{S'}$
 $\Rightarrow \langle L, M \rangle$ line bundle on S' (well pairing)

det $(H^*(C, ([L] - [O]) \otimes ([M] - [O]))$ in K-theory

[Other constructions of $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$: 1. if $L = \mathcal{O}(A)$, $M = \mathcal{O}(B)$
 & A, B coprime (not always possible if S not integral)
 $\Rightarrow \langle L, M \rangle = \mathcal{O}(\text{TT}_* A \cdot B)$ intersection product

2. $L = \mathcal{O}(A)$, $\langle L, M \rangle = \text{Norm}_{\text{TT}_* A} (M/A)$
 for $A \rightarrow S'$ finite : restrict to A & take norm.]

Assume P reduces to a B -bundle P' ($B = \text{Borel}$)

\Rightarrow associated line bundles L_{E_i} on $C_{S'}$

from characters $E_i : B \rightarrow G_m$

$$L_{P'} = \bigotimes \langle L_{E_i}, L_{E_i} \rangle \otimes \bigotimes_{i \in J} \langle L_{E_i}, L_{E_i} \rangle^{\otimes a_{ij}}$$

$\langle L, M \rangle \cong \langle M, L \rangle$ naturally, or $\langle L, L \rangle$ map is $(-1)^{\text{deg } L}$

In additive notation write as $\sum_i \langle L_{E_i}, L_{E_i} \rangle + \sum_{i \in J} \langle L_{E_i}, L_{E_i} \rangle a_{ij}$

Locally in étale topology on $S \exists$ reduction to Borel

- show L_p' independent of reduction

- rather show this for generic Borels:

$\alpha > 0 \Rightarrow \text{deg } L_\alpha \leq -2g$ — generic Borels classified

by a smooth $S' \rightarrow S$ (since $H^1(L_\alpha^{-1}) = 0$)

$X_p \rightarrow C_S$ associated G/B bundle

S is union of pieces of finite type over base

Have L_p' over S' : need to show has descent datum

$$\text{pr}_1^* L_p' \simeq \text{pr}_2^* L_p' \text{ on } S'' = S' \times_S S'$$

Geometric construction

$X = G/B$; on $X \times X$ have $L_{E_i} \otimes L_{E_i}$

has unique (to scalar) G -invariant section s_i with

divisor $D_i = \text{pairs of Borels in rel pos.}$ $s_i w_0 = w_0 s_i x$

$L_{E_i - \alpha_i} \otimes L_{E_i, x}$ has over D_i unique G -inv section t_i

\Rightarrow sections on $X_{p_1} \times X_{p_2} \rightarrow C_S$ of $L_{E_i} \otimes L_{E_i, x}$

$\&$ of restriction to D_i .

$$\text{Form } \langle s_i, t_i \rangle + \sum_{i \neq j} a_{ij} \langle s_i, s_j \rangle$$

section of $L_{E_i - \alpha_i} \otimes L_{E_i, x} / D_i \xrightarrow{\text{Norm}}$ section of $\langle L_{E_i - \alpha_i}^{(1)}, L_{E_i, x}^{(2)} \rangle$ or something

$$\text{Over } S'' \quad C_S \xrightarrow{\text{smooth}} X_p \times X_p \rightarrow G$$

$\downarrow S''$

\Rightarrow get section over S'' of $\sum \langle L_{E_i - \alpha_i}^{(1)}, L_{E_i, x}^{(2)} \rangle$

\rightsquigarrow get section of difference

$\text{pr}_1^* L_{p_1} - \text{pr}_2^* L_{p_2}$ which is isom (ample divisor) \otimes

Won't be descent data: S etc only defined up to scalar...

$$\text{On } S^{(4)} = S' \times_S S' \times_S S' \times_S S' \quad \boxed{\phi_{13} \circ \phi_{24} = \phi_{14} \circ \phi_{23}}$$

$$\text{pr}_1^* L_p \otimes \text{pr}_2^* L_p \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{pr}_3^* L_p \otimes \text{pr}_4^* L_p$$

$\Rightarrow \phi_{11}^{-1} \circ \phi_{12}$ is a descent datum

Proof of $\phi_{13} \circ \phi_{24} = \phi_{14} \circ \phi_{23}$: by degeneration argument

On $X \times X$ $\rho: G_m \rightarrow T$ dominant 1-param group
 $\rho(t)(D_i) \subset X \times X \times G_m \subseteq X \times X \times \mathbb{P}^1$

$\overline{D_i}^n$ closure in $X \times X \times \mathbb{P}^1$. Limit at $t=0, \infty$:
diagonal $G \rightsquigarrow$ diagonal $+ + N^+ \times N^-$

D_i becomes reducible, divisor $D_i \times X \cup X \times D_i$
 t_i in limit vanishes on one component

Add 5th Borel (after a faithfully flat base change :
assume P comes from B bundle & over T -bundle)
do degeneration over $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{P}^1$, $X \times X \times X \times X \times \mathbb{P}^1$
as $t \rightarrow 0$, $t \rightarrow \infty$ our ratio of two compositions
is regular & goes to 1