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VERTEX OPERATOR REPRESENTATIONS OF TYPE $C_l^{(1)}$ AND PRODUCT-SUM IDENTITIES

ВЕРШИННІ ОПЕРАТОРНІ ЗОБРАЖЕННЯ ТИПУ $C_l^{(1)}$ ТА ТОТОЖНОСТІ ТИПУ СУМ І ДОБУТКІВ

The purposes of this work are to construct a class of homogeneous vertex representations of $C_l^{(1)}$, $l \geq 2$, and to deduce a series of product-sum identities. These identities have fine interpretation in the number theory.

Побудовано клас рівномірних вершинних зображень $C_l^{(1)}$, $l \geq 2$. Отримано низку тотожностей типу сум і добутків. Ці тотожності мають змістовну інтерпретацію теорії чисел.

1. Introduction. It is well known that there is a close relationship between representations of affine Lie algebras and combinatorics. For example, the Jacobi triple product identity can be obtained as the Weyl–Kac denominator formula for the affine Lie algebra \widehat{sl}_2 [7]. The famous Rogers–Ramanujan identities can be realized from the character formula of certain level three representations [8]. Like the Jacobi triple product identity, the quintuple product identity is also equivalent to the Weyl–Kac denominator formula for the affine Lie algebra $A_2^{(2)}$. In [6], the following infinite product:

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1-q^{6n-1})(1-q^{6n-5})} \quad (1.1)$$

is expressed by a sum of two other infinite products in four different ways.

I. Schur [12] (see also [1]) was probably the first person who studied the partitions described by (1.1). He showed that the number of partitions of n into parts congruent to $\pm 1 \pmod{6}$ is equal to the number of partitions of n into distinct parts congruent to $\pm 1 \pmod{3}$ and is also equal to the number of partitions of n into parts that differ at least 3 with added condition that difference between multiples of 3 is at least 6. His first result can be briefly described by

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1-q^{6n-1})(1-q^{6n-5})} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+q^n}{1+q^{3n}}. \quad (1.2)$$

Motivated by product-sum identity provided by [6], we study a generalized product-sum relations of some special partitions. Our method uses the vertex representations of affine Lie algebras of type $C_l^{(1)}$. For the related topics, one can refer [4, 5, 10, 11, 13] and references therein.

Theorem 1.1. *For any odd $l \geq 3$, the following product-sum identity holds:*

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+q^n}{1+q^{ln}} = \sum_{s=0}^{\frac{l-1}{2}} q^{\frac{(l-2s)^2-1}{8}} \prod_{n \not\equiv \pm(s+1), 0 \pmod{l+2}} \frac{1}{(1-q^{2n})(1-q^{ln})},$$

particularly, it covers the first result of [6] when $l = 3$.

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Our result in Theorem 1.1 implies the following partition theorem.

Theorem 1.2. Suppose that $l = 2r + 1 \geq 3$ is an odd number, $A_l(n)$ is the number of partitions of n into distinct parts without multiples of l , and $B_{l,s}(n)$ is the number of partitions of n into

$$2k_1 + \dots + 2k_i + lr_1 + \dots + lr_j + \frac{(l-2s)^2 - 1}{8}$$

with constraints $k_p, r_p \not\equiv \pm(s+1), 0 \pmod{l+2}$. Then for any positive integer n , we have

$$A_l(n) = B_{l,0}(n) + B_{l,1}(n) + \dots + B_{l,r}(n).$$

Proof. Let $1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n a^n$ be the power series of $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+q^n}{1+q^{ln}}$. Because

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+q^n}{1+q^{ln}} = \prod_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ n \text{ is not a multiple of } l}} (1+q^n) = \sum_{\substack{n_1 > n_2 > \dots > n_k \geq 1 \\ n_i \text{ is not a multiple of } l, k \geq 0}} q^{n_1+\dots+n_k}.$$

Then A_n is the number of partitions of n into distinct parts without multiples of l and $A_n = A(n)$.

A similar argument on $B_{l,s}(n)$ shows that Theorem 1.1 is equivalent to the relation

$$A_l(n) = B_{l,0}(n) + B_{l,1}(n) + \dots + B_{l,r}(n), \quad \text{for all positive integer } n.$$

Theorem 1.2 is proved.

For example,

$A_5(15) = 16$	$B_{5,0}(15) = 3$	$B_{5,1}(15) = 7$	$B_{5,2}(15) = 6$
$1 + 14$	$1 + 6 + 8$	$2(2 \times 3) + 3$	$2(1 \times 7) + 1$
$2 + 13$	$2 + 4 + 9$	$2(2 + 4) + 3$	$2(1 \times 4 + 3) + 1$
$3 + 12$	$2 + 6 + 7$	$2(3 + 3) + 3$	$2(1 + 3 \times 2) + 1$
$4 + 11$	$3 + 4 + 8$		$2(1 \times 3 + 4) + 1$
$6 + 9$	$1 + 2 + 3 + 9$		$2(5) + 5(1)$
$7 + 8$	$1 + 2 + 4 + 8$		$5(1 \times 3)$
$1 + 2 + 12$	$1 + 3 + 4 + 7$		$2(3 + 4) + 1$
$1 + 3 + 11$	$2 + 3 + 4 + 6$		$5(1 + 2)$
		$2(1 \times 2) + 5(1 \times 2)$	

Table 1.1 lists the values of $A_5(n)$, $B_{5,0}(n)$, $B_{5,1}(n)$, $B_{5,2}(n)$ for $n \leq 15$.

The above results will be proved by the irreducible decompositions of vertex module $V(P) = S(\widehat{H}^-) \otimes \mathbb{C}[P]$ of $C_l^{(1)}$, where $1 \otimes 1$ has weight Λ_0 . If we assume that $1 \otimes 1$ has weight Λ_1 , then our method also gives the following result.

Table 1.1

n	$A_5(n)$	$B_{5,0}(n)$	$B_{5,1}(n)$	$B_{5,2}(n)$
1	1	0	1	0
2	1	0	0	1
3	2	1	1	0
4	2	0	0	2
5	2	0	1	1
6	3	0	1	2
7	4	1	2	1
8	4	0	1	3
9	6	1	3	2
10	7	0	1	6
11	8	2	4	2
12	10	0	2	8
13	12	3	6	3
14	14	0	3	11
15	16	3	7	6

Theorem 1.3. For any even $l \geq 2$, the following product-sum identity holds:

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+q^{n-1/2})^2}{(1+q^n)(1+q^{ln})} = \frac{\prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - q^{(l(\frac{l+2}{2}))(2n-1)})(1 - q^{(l+2)(2n-1)})}{\prod_{(\frac{l}{2}+1) \nmid n} (1 - q^{2n})(1 - q^{ln})} + \\ + 2 \sum_{s=0}^{l/2-1} q^{\frac{(l-2s)^2}{8}} \prod_{n \not\equiv \pm(s+1), 0 \pmod{l+2}} \frac{1}{(1 - q^{2n})(1 - q^{ln})},$$

or equivalently,

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+q^{2n-1})^2}{(1+q^{2n})(1+q^{2ln})} = \frac{\prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - q^{(l(l+2)(2n-1)})(1 - q^{2(l+2)(2n-1)})}{\prod_{(\frac{l}{2}+1) \nmid n} (1 - q^{4n})(1 - q^{2ln})} + \\ + 2 \sum_{s=0}^{l/2-1} q^{\frac{(l-2s)^2}{4}} \prod_{n \not\equiv \pm(s+1), 0 \pmod{l+2}} \frac{1}{(1 - q^{4n})(1 - q^{2ln})}.$$

Throughout the paper, we let \mathbb{C} , \mathbb{Z} present the set of complex numbers and the set of integers, respectively.

2. Affine Lie algebra of type $C_l^{(1)}$. **2.1.** Let $\dot{\mathcal{G}}$ be a finite-dimensional simple Lie algebra of type C_l , $A = \mathbb{C}[t^{\pm 1}]$ the ring of Laurent polynomials in variable t . Then the affine Lie algebra of

type $C_l^{(1)}$ is the vector space

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = \dot{\mathcal{G}} \otimes A \oplus \mathbb{C}c \oplus \mathbb{C}d,$$

with Lie bracket:

$$[x \otimes t^m, y \otimes t^n] = [x, y] \otimes t^{m+n} + m(x | y) \delta_{m+n,0} c,$$

$$[c, \mathcal{G}] = 0,$$

$$[d, x \otimes t^m] = mx \otimes t^m,$$

where $x, y \in \dot{\mathcal{G}}$, $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $(\cdot | \cdot)$ is a nondegenerate invariant normalized symmetric bilinear form on $\dot{\mathcal{G}}$.

2.2. Suppose that \dot{H} is a Cartan subalgebra of $\dot{\mathcal{G}}$, and \dot{H}^* the dual space of \dot{H} . Then there exists an inner product $(\cdot | \cdot)|_{\dot{H}_R^*}$ and an orthogonal normal basis $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_l\}$ in Euclidean space \dot{H}_R^* such that the simple root system

$$\Pi = \left\{ \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_1 - e_2), \dots, \alpha_{l-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_{l-1} - e_l), \alpha_l = \sqrt{2}e_l \right\},$$

the short root system

$$\dot{\Delta}_S = \left\{ \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_i - e_j), \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_i + e_j) \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq l \right\},$$

where $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_i - e_j) = \alpha_i + \dots + \alpha_{j-1}$ for $1 \leq i < j \leq l$, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_i + e_l) = \alpha_i + \dots + \alpha_l$ for $1 \leq i < l$,

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_i + e_j) = \alpha_i + \dots + \alpha_{j-1} + 2\alpha_j + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l$ for $1 \leq i < j < l$; and the long root system

$$\dot{\Delta}_L = \{\pm \sqrt{2}e_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq l\},$$

where $\sqrt{2}e_i = 2\alpha_i + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l$ for $1 \leq i < l$.

Then the root lattice is

$$Q = \bigoplus_{i=1}^l \mathbb{Z}\alpha_i,$$

$(\alpha_i | \alpha_i) = 1$, $1 \leq i \leq l-1$, and $(\alpha_l | \alpha_l) = 2$.

Let $\gamma : \dot{H} \longrightarrow \dot{H}^*$ be the linear isomorphism such that

$$\alpha_i(\gamma^{-1}(\alpha_j)) = (\alpha_i | \alpha_j), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, l,$$

and

$$\gamma(\alpha_i^\vee) = 2\alpha_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, l-1, \quad \gamma(\alpha_l^\vee) = \alpha_l.$$

Then we have $(\alpha_i^\vee | \alpha_j^\vee) = (\gamma(\alpha_i^\vee) | \gamma(\alpha_j^\vee))$. As usual, we identify \dot{H} with \dot{H}^* via γ , i.e., $\alpha^\vee = \frac{2\alpha}{(\alpha | \alpha)}$.

For any weight $\Lambda \in (\dot{H} \oplus \mathbb{C}c \oplus \mathbb{C}d)^*$, let $L(\Lambda)$ denote the irreducible highest weight $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ -module with highest weight Λ .

2.3. Define a 2-cocycle $\epsilon_0: Q \times Q \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$ by

$$\epsilon_0(a+b, c) = \epsilon_0(a, c)\epsilon_0(b, c), \quad \epsilon_0(a, b+c) = \epsilon_0(a, b)\epsilon_0(a, c), \quad a, b, c \in L,$$

and

$$\epsilon_0(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = \begin{cases} -1, & i = j + 1, \\ 1, & \text{other pairs } (i, j). \end{cases}$$

Let $P = \bigoplus_{i=1}^l \mathbb{Z}\alpha_i \oplus \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}\alpha_l$. Extend ϵ_0 to $Q \times P$ with

$$\epsilon_0\left(\alpha_i, \frac{1}{2}\alpha_l\right) = 1.$$

2.4. For $\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^l k_i \alpha_i \in \dot{\Delta} \cup \{0\}$, define maps $p: \dot{\Delta} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow \dot{\Delta}_S \cup \{0\}$ and $s: \dot{\Delta} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow \dot{Q}_L$ by

$$p\left(\sum_{i=1}^l k_i \alpha_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \rho(k_i) \alpha_i, \quad s\left(\sum_{i=1}^l k_i \alpha_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} (k_i - \rho(k_i)) \alpha_i,$$

where $\dot{Q}_L = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Z}} \dot{\Delta}_L$ and $\rho(k_i) \in \{0, 1\}$ such that $\rho(k_i) \equiv k_i \pmod{2}$. It is straightforward to check the following statements.

Lemma 2.1. (i) $p(\dot{\Delta}_L \cup \{0\}) = 0$, and $p(-\alpha) = p(\alpha)$ for any $\alpha \in \dot{\Delta}_S$.

(ii) Suppose that $\alpha, \beta, \alpha + \beta \in \dot{\Delta}$, then we have:

(1) if $\alpha \in \dot{\Delta}_L$, then $(\alpha | \beta) = -1$, $p(\alpha + \beta) = p(\beta)$, $s(\alpha + \beta) = s(\alpha) + s(\beta)$;

(2) if $\alpha, \beta \in \dot{\Delta}_S$, $\alpha + \beta \in \dot{\Delta}_L$, then $(\alpha | \beta) = 0$, $p(\alpha) = p(\beta)$, $s(\alpha + \beta) - s(\alpha) - s(\beta) = 2p(\alpha)$;

(3) if $\alpha, \beta, \alpha + \beta \in \dot{\Delta}_S$, then $(\alpha | \beta) = -\frac{1}{2}$ and $|(p(\alpha) | p(\beta))| = \frac{1}{2}$; moreover,

(a) $(p(\alpha) | p(\beta)) = \frac{1}{2}$, then $p(\alpha + \beta) = p(\alpha) - p(\beta)$, $s(\alpha + \beta) - s(\alpha) - s(\beta) = 2p(\beta)$, or $p(\alpha + \beta) = -p(\alpha) + p(\beta)$, $s(\alpha + \beta) - s(\alpha) - s(\beta) = 2p(\alpha)$;

(b) if $(p(\alpha) | p(\beta)) = -\frac{1}{2}$, then $p(\alpha + \beta) = p(\alpha) + p(\beta)$, $s(\alpha + \beta) = s(\alpha) + s(\beta)$.

(iii) For any $\alpha \in \dot{\Delta}$, we have:

(1) $s(\alpha) \in \{\pm \sqrt{2}(e_i - e_l) \mid 1 \leq i \leq l\} \subset \dot{Q}_L$;

(2) $p(\alpha) \in \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_i - e_j) \mid 1 \leq i \leq j \leq l \right\} \subset \dot{\Delta}_S \cup \{0\}$;

(3) $s(\alpha) + s(-\alpha) = -2p(\alpha) \in \dot{Q}_L$;

(4) $\alpha \pm p(\alpha) \in \dot{Q}_L$.

2.5. Define a map $f: Q \times Q \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$ by

$$f(\alpha, \beta) = (-1)^{(s(\alpha)|\beta) + (p(\alpha)|p(\beta)) + (p(\alpha+|\beta))}.$$

Set $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \circ f$, then $\epsilon: Q \times Q \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$ is still a 2-cocycle, which has the property (ii) in the following lemma.

Lemma 2.2. (i) For $\alpha, \beta \in \dot{\Delta}$, we have

$$\epsilon_0(\alpha, \beta) = (-1)^{(\alpha|\beta) + (p(\alpha)|p(\beta)) + (s(\alpha)|\beta) + (s(\beta)|\alpha)} \cdot \epsilon_0(\beta, \alpha).$$

(ii) For $\alpha, \beta, \alpha + \beta \in \dot{\Delta}$, we have $\epsilon(\alpha, \beta) = -\epsilon(\beta, \alpha)$.

2.6. We have the following proposition.

Proposition 2.1. *The affine Lie algebra $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ of type $C_l^{(1)}$ has a system of generators*

$$\{\alpha_i^\vee \otimes t^n, e_\alpha \otimes t^n \mid 1 \leq i \leq l, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

and c, d with relations

$$[\alpha_i^\vee \otimes t^m, \alpha_j^\vee \otimes t^n] = m(\alpha_i^\vee \mid \alpha_j^\vee) \delta_{m+n,0} c,$$

$$[\alpha_i^\vee \otimes t^m, e_\alpha \otimes t^n] = \alpha(\alpha_i^\vee) e_\alpha \otimes t^{m+n},$$

$$[e_\alpha \otimes t^m, e_{-\alpha} \otimes t^n] = \epsilon(\alpha, -\alpha) \frac{2}{(\alpha \mid \alpha)} [\gamma^{-1}(\alpha) \otimes t^{m+n} + m \delta_{m+n,0} c],$$

$$[e_\alpha \otimes t^m, e_\beta \otimes t^n] = \epsilon(\alpha, \beta) (1 + \delta_{1, (p(\alpha) \mid p(\beta))}) e_{\alpha+\beta} \otimes t^{m+n} \quad \forall \alpha, \beta, \alpha + \beta \in \dot{\Delta},$$

$$[e_\alpha \otimes t^m, e_\beta \otimes t^n] = 0 \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \dot{\Delta}, \quad \alpha + \beta \notin \dot{\Delta} \cup \{0\},$$

where γ is the canonical linear space isomorphism from \dot{H} to \dot{H}^* .

3. Vertex construction of Lie algebra of type $C_l^{(1)}$. **3.1.** Let $H(m), m \in \mathbb{Z}$, be an isomorphic copy of \dot{H} . Set $\dot{H}_S := \text{Span}_{\mathbb{C}}\{\alpha_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq l-1\}$ and $H_S\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right), n \in \mathbb{Z}$, is an isomorphic copy of \dot{H}_S .

Define a Lie algebra

$$\widehat{H} = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} H(m) \oplus \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} H_S\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right) \oplus \mathbb{C}c,$$

with Lie bracket

$$[\widetilde{H}, c] = 0,$$

$$[a(m), b(n)] = m(a \mid b) \delta_{m,-n} c.$$

Let

$$\widehat{H}^- = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}_-} H(m) \oplus \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_-} H_S\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right),$$

and let $S(\widehat{H}^-)$ be the symmetric algebra generated by \widehat{H}^- . Then $S(\widehat{H}^-)$ is an \widehat{H} -module with the action

$$c \cdot v = v, \quad a(m) \cdot v = a(m)v \quad \forall m < 0,$$

and

$$a(m) \cdot b(n) = m(a, b) \delta_{m+n,0} \quad \forall m \geq 0, \quad n < 0,$$

where $a, b \in H, m, n \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$.

3.2. We form a group algebra $\mathbb{C}[P]$ with base elements e^h , $h \in P$, and the multiplication

$$e^{h_1} e^{h_2} = e^{h_1 + h_2} \quad \forall h_1, h_2 \in P.$$

Set

$$V(P) := S(\widehat{H}^-) \otimes \mathbb{C}[P]$$

and extend the action of \widehat{H} to space $V(P)$ by

$$a(m) \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = (a(m) \cdot v) \otimes e^r \quad \forall m \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}^*;$$

and define

$$a(0) \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = (a | r) v \otimes e^r,$$

which makes $V(P)$ into a \widehat{H} -module.

3.3. For $r \in P$, $\alpha \in Q$, define \mathbb{C} -linear operators as

$$e^\alpha \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = v \otimes e^{\alpha+r},$$

$$z^\alpha \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = z^{(\alpha|r)} v \otimes e^r,$$

$$\epsilon_\alpha \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = (-1)^{(s(\alpha)|r)} \epsilon_0(\alpha, r) v \otimes e^r,$$

$$a(z) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} a(j) z^{-2j},$$

$$E^\pm(\alpha, z) \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = \left(\exp \left(\mp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} z^{\mp 2n} \alpha(\pm n) \right) \cdot v \right) \otimes e^r,$$

$$F^\pm(\alpha, z) \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = \left(\exp \left(\mp \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2}{2n+1} z^{\mp(2n+1)} \alpha\left(\pm \frac{2n+1}{2}\right) \right) \cdot v \right) \otimes e^r.$$

Then $a(z)$, $E^\pm(\alpha, z)$, $F^\pm(\alpha, z) \in (\text{End } V(P))[[z, z^{-1}]]$.

As usual, we shall adopt the notation of normal ordering product

$$:a(i)b(j): = \begin{cases} a(i)b(j), & \text{if } i \leq j, \\ b(j)a(i), & \text{if } j < i, \end{cases}$$

where $a, b \in L$ and $i, j \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$.

3.4. Let $\widetilde{V}(P)$ be the formal completion of $V(P) = S(\widehat{H}^-) \otimes \mathbb{C}[P]$. We give some vertex operators on $\widetilde{V}(P)$:

(1) For $\alpha \in \Delta \cup \{0\}$, set

$$Y(\alpha, z) = E^-(\alpha, z) E^+(\alpha, z) F^-(p(\alpha), z) F^+(p(\alpha), z),$$

$$Z^\epsilon(\alpha, z) = z^{(\alpha|\alpha)} e^\alpha z^{2\alpha} \epsilon_\alpha,$$

$$X^\epsilon(\alpha, z) := Y(\alpha, z) \otimes Z^\epsilon(\alpha, z).$$

(2) For $\alpha, \beta \in \dot{\Delta}$, define

$$X^\epsilon(\alpha, \beta, z, w) =: Y(\alpha, z)Y(\beta, w) : \otimes Z^\epsilon(\alpha + \beta, w).$$

3.5. The Laurent series of operators $X^\epsilon(\alpha, z)$ is denoted by

$$X^\epsilon(\alpha, z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_{k/2}^\epsilon(\alpha) z^{-k}.$$

Then for all $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, $X_{k/2}^\epsilon(\alpha)$ is an operator on $V(P)$. Note that $X_n^\epsilon(\alpha)$ acts as an operator on $V(P)$ in the following way:

$$X_n^\epsilon(\alpha) \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = \epsilon(\alpha, r) Y_{n+\frac{1}{2}(\alpha|\alpha)+(\alpha|r)}(\alpha) (v) \otimes e^{\alpha+r} \quad \forall v \otimes e^r \in V(P).$$

3.6. For $v = a_1(-n_1)a_2(-n_2)\dots a_p(-n_p) \otimes e^r \in V(L)$, define the degree action of d on $V(P)$ by

$$d \cdot (v \otimes e^r) = \left(\deg(v) - \frac{1}{2}(r | r) \right) v \otimes e^r,$$

where $\deg(v) = -\sum_{i=1}^p n_i$.

The number $\deg(v) - \frac{1}{2}(r | r)$ is called the degree of $v \otimes e^r$ and denoted by $\deg(v \otimes e^r)$.

3.7. We have the following proposition.

Proposition 3.1. *The affine Lie algebra $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ of type $C_l^{(1)}$ is homomorphic to the Lie algebra J generated by operators $\alpha^\vee(n), X_n^\epsilon(\alpha), c, d$ ($\alpha \in \dot{\Delta}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$) on $V(P) = S(\widehat{H}^-) \otimes \mathbb{C}[P]$, i.e., there exists a unique Lie algebra homomorphism π from $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ to the Lie subalgebra J of $\text{End}(V(P))$ such that*

$$\pi(\gamma^{-1}(\alpha_i) \otimes t^n) = \frac{2}{(\alpha_i | \alpha_i)} \alpha_i(n),$$

$$\pi(e_\alpha \otimes t^n) = X_n^\epsilon(\alpha),$$

$$\pi(c) = \text{id},$$

$$\pi(d) = d,$$

that is, $V(P)$ is a $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ -module.

4. Some computations needed.

Lemma 4.1. *For any l , if Λ_s is the basic weight of $C_l^{(1)}$, then we have*

$$\dim_q(L(\Lambda_s)) = \dim_q(L(\Lambda_{l-s})),$$

$$\dim_q(L(\Lambda_s)) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{2(l+2)n})(1 - q^{2(l+2)n-2-2s})(1 - q^{2(l+2)n-2l-2+2s})}{1 - q^n}.$$

For the definition of \dim_q , one can refer [7, p. 183] (Proposition 10.10).

Define q -series

$$\kappa_q(l, r) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{ln^2 - rn}, \quad (4.1)$$

for $0 < r \leq l$. If $r = l$, then

$$\kappa_q(l, l) = 2 \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{4n})^2}{1 - q^{2n}}, \quad (4.2)$$

by Gauss identity

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{2n^2 - n} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{2n})^2}{1 - q^n}.$$

Suppose that $V = S(\alpha(-1), \alpha(-2), \dots) \otimes \mathbb{C}[\mathbb{Z}\alpha]$ with $(\alpha|\alpha) = 2$, then V is an irreducible $A_1^{(1)}$ -module isomorphic to $L(\Lambda_0)$ (one can see [4] for details). The degree of $v = \alpha(-n_1) \dots \alpha(-n_k) \otimes e^{n\alpha} \in V$ is defined as $-n_1 - \dots - n_k - n^2$ and weight of v is $-(n_1 + \dots + n_k + n^2)\delta + n\alpha$. Hence

$$\text{ch}V = e^{\Lambda_0} \frac{1}{\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - e^{-n\delta})} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-n^2\delta + n\alpha}.$$

Moreover,

$$\text{ch}L(\Lambda_0) = e^{\Lambda_0} \frac{\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-(3n^2+n)\delta + 3n\alpha} - \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-(3n^2+n)\delta - (3n+1)\alpha}}{\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - e^{-n\delta})(1 - e^{-n\delta + \alpha})(1 - e^{-(n-1)\delta - \alpha})}.$$

If $e^{-\delta}$, $e^{-\alpha}$ are specialized as q^l , q^r , respectively, then $V \cong L(\Lambda_0)$ implies the following lemma.

Lemma 4.2. *If $0 < r < l$, then*

$$\kappa_q(l, r) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{2ln})(1 - q^{4ln-2(l-r)})(1 - q^{4l(n-1)+2(l-r)})}{(1 - q^{2ln-l-r})(1 - q^{2l(n-1)+l+r})}.$$

Proof. This lemma can easily be proved using the quintuple product identity (see [3]).

5. The module structure. **5.1.** Let $\alpha_0 \in H^*$ such that $\{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l\}$ is the simple root system of affine Lie algebra $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ and $\alpha_0(\alpha_0^\vee) = 2$, $\alpha_0(\alpha_1^\vee) = -2$, $\alpha_0(d) = 1$ and $\alpha_0(\alpha_j^\vee) = \alpha_0(c) = 0$, $2 \leq j \leq l$. Then $\delta = \alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l$ is the primitive imaginary root of $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$. Let $\Lambda_i \in H^*$ be such that

$$\Lambda_i(\alpha_j^\vee) = \delta_{ij}, \quad \Lambda_i(d) = 0, \quad 0 \leq j \leq l.$$

Lemma 5.1. *With respect to the Cartan subalgebra H of $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$, $V(P)$ has the weight space decomposition*

$$V(P) = \sum_{\lambda \in \text{weight}(V(P))} V(P)_\lambda,$$

and the weight space $V(P)_\lambda$ has a basis $v \otimes e^r$, where $r \in P$, $v \in S(\dot{\mathcal{H}}^-)$, and

$$\lambda = \Lambda_0 + \left(\deg(v) - \frac{1}{2}(r \mid r) \right) \delta + r,$$

so $\deg(v)$ and r are uniquely determined by λ .

5.2. The following describes the possible distribution of the maximal weights of $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ -module $V(\dot{Q})$.

Lemma 5.2. *For any $\lambda \in P(V(\dot{Q}))$, we have*

$$\lambda \leq \Lambda_j - \frac{j}{4}\delta,$$

for some $j \in \mathbb{Z}$, where $0 \leq j \leq l$.

Proof. By Lemma 5.1, $\lambda = \Lambda_0 - \left(k + \frac{1}{2}(r \mid r) \right) \delta + r$, where $r = \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} k_i \alpha_i + \frac{k_l}{2} \alpha_l \in P$ and $k \in \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{N}$. At first, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}(r \mid r)\delta - r = \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(k_1^2 + (k_2 - k_1)^2 + \dots + (k_{l-1} - k_{l-2})^2 + (2k_l - k_{l-1})^2)\delta - \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} k_i \alpha_i - \frac{k_l}{2} \alpha_l = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[(k_1^2 \delta - 2k_1(2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l)) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + ((k_2 - k_1)^2 \delta - 2(k_2 - k_1)(2\alpha_2 + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l)) + \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + ((k_{l-1} - k_{l-2})^2 \delta - 2(k_{l-1} - k_{l-2})(2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l)) + (k_l - k_{l-1})^2 \delta - 2(k_l - k_{l-1})\alpha_l \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that

$$\alpha = 2\alpha_i + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l < \delta.$$

If $n < 0$, then $n^2\delta - 2n\alpha > 0$. If $n > 1$, then

$$(n^2 - 1)\delta - 2(n - 1)\alpha = (n - 1)((n + 1)\delta - 2\alpha) > 0.$$

Hence we get

$$n^2\delta - 2n\alpha \geq 0$$

or

$$n^2\delta - 2n\alpha \geq \delta - 2\alpha.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}(r \mid r)\delta - r \geq \\ & \geq \frac{s}{4}\delta - \frac{1}{2}[(2\alpha_{p_1} + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l) + \dots + (2\alpha_{p_s} + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l)] \geq \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \frac{s}{4}\delta - \frac{1}{2}[(2\alpha_1 + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l) + \dots + (2\alpha_s + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l)] = \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_s \mid \gamma_s)\delta - \gamma_s, \end{aligned}$$

for some s , where

$$\gamma_s = \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + \dots + (s-1)\alpha_{s-1} + s(\alpha_s + \dots + \alpha_{l-1}) + \frac{s}{2}\alpha_l \in P,$$

and it clear that $\Lambda_s = \Lambda_0 + \gamma_s$, $(\gamma_s \mid \gamma_s) = \frac{s}{2}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \Lambda_0 - \left(k + \frac{1}{2}(r \mid r) \right) \delta + r \leq \Lambda_0 - \frac{1}{2}(r|r)\delta + r \leq \\ &\leq \Lambda_0 - \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_s \mid \gamma_s)\delta + \gamma_s = \Lambda_s - \frac{s}{4}\delta \end{aligned}$$

for some s , $0 \leq s \leq l$.

Remark 5.1. By the result above, we know that any highest weight of $V(P)$ belongs to the set

$$\bigcup_{s=0}^l \left\{ \Lambda_s - \frac{s}{4} - \frac{p}{2}\delta \mid p \geq 0, s = 0, 1, \dots, l \right\}.$$

More precisely, any highest weight vector has the form $v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ for some s .

Theorem 5.1. $V(P)$ has the decomposition

$$V(P) = \bigoplus_{s=0}^l V(P)^{[s]},$$

where $V(P)^{[s]}$ is the sum of those irreducible submodules whose highest weights $\lambda \leq \Lambda_s - \frac{s}{4}$.

6. Highest weight vectors. 6.1. Define operators

$$S(\alpha, z) = \exp\left(\sum_{n>0} \frac{\alpha(-n+1/2)}{n-1/2} z^{2n-1}\right) \exp\left(-\sum_{n>0} \frac{\alpha(n-1/2)}{n-1/2} z^{-2n+1}\right),$$

with series expansion

$$S(\alpha, z) = \sum_{n \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}} S_n(\alpha) z^{-2n}.$$

Lemma 6.1. For $i = 1, \dots, l-1$, we have

$$\{S_n(\alpha_i), S_m(\alpha_i)\} = S_n(\alpha_i)S_m(\alpha_i) + S_m(\alpha_i)S_n(\alpha_i) = -2\delta_{m+n,0}$$

and

$$S_n(\alpha) = (-1)^{2n} S_n(-\alpha), \quad n \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}.$$

6.2. Define $\beta_i = \alpha_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, l - 1$ and

$$\beta_l = -\sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \frac{i}{l} \alpha_i,$$

also let

$$y_i = \sum_{j=i}^l 2\beta_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, l.$$

Define

$$Z^{[s]}(z) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} Z_{i/2}^{[s]} z^{-i} = \sum_{j=1}^s S(y_j, z) - \sum_{j=s+1}^l S(y_j, z),$$

for even s . Particularly, $Z^{[l]}(z) = -Z^{[0]}(z)$.

Remark 6.1. The operators $Z^{[s]}$ are the same as (or isomorphic to) those defined by Lepowsky and Wilson in [8, 9], where they are generating operators of vacuum spaces of standard $A_1^{(1)}$ -modules of level l . For more details, one can refer to those two papers.

Lemma 6.2. For any $n \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$, if $v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ is a highest weight vector and $Z_n^{[s]}v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ is not zero, then $Z_n^{[s]}v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ is also a highest weight vector.

Proof. At first, we give the proof for $s = 0$. For $i < l$, we have

$$S_n(y_i) + S_n(y_{i+1}) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\beta_i) S_{n-j}(\beta_i + 2\beta_{i+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l),$$

and $(y_j|\alpha_i) = 0$, $j \neq i, i+1$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} -X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_i) Z_n^{[0]}(v \otimes 1) &= \\ &= X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_i) \left\{ \sum_{r \neq i, i+1} S_n(y_r) + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\beta_i) S_{n-j}(\beta_i + 2\beta_{i+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) \right\} v \otimes 1 = \\ &= Y_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha_i) \left\{ \sum_{r \neq i, i+1} S_n(y_r) + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\beta_i) S_{n-j}(\beta_i + 2\beta_{i+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) \right\} v \otimes e^{\alpha_i} = \\ &= Y_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha_i) \sum_{r \neq i, i+1} S_n(y_r) v \otimes e^{\alpha_i} + \\ &\quad + Y_{\frac{1}{2}}(\alpha_i) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\alpha_i) S_{n-j}(\beta_i + 2\beta_{i+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) v \otimes e^{\alpha_i} = \\ &= \sum_{r \neq i, i+1} S_n(y_r) X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_i) v \otimes 1 + \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} E_k(\alpha_i) S_{\frac{1}{2}-k}(\alpha_i) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\alpha_i) S_{n-j}(\beta_i + 2\beta_{i+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) v \otimes e^{\alpha_i} = \\
& = - \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\alpha_i) S_{n-j}(\beta_i + 2\beta_{i+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_i) v \otimes 1 = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, operators $X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_l)$ and $X_1^\epsilon(-(2\alpha_1 + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l))$ commute with $Z_n^{[0]}$, so $Z_n^{[0]}v \otimes 1$ is still a highest weight vector.

The proof for $s = l$ is the same as above.

For $Z_n^{[s]}$ with $0 < s < l$,

$$S_n(y_i) - S_n(y_{i+1}) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}+1/2} S_j(\beta_i) S_{n-j}(\beta_i + 2\beta_{i+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l),$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
& X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_s) Z_n^{[s]}(v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}) = \\
& = X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_s) \left\{ \left(\sum_{r < s} - \sum_{r > s+1} \right) S_n(y_r) + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}+1/2} S_j(\beta_s) S_{n-j}(\beta_s + 2\beta_{s+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) \right\} v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = \\
& = Y_1(\alpha_s) \left\{ \left(\sum_{r < s} - \sum_{r > s+1} \right) S_n(y_r) + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\beta_s) S_{n-j}(\beta_s + 2\beta_{s+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) \right\} v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_i} = \\
& = Y_1(\alpha_i) \left(\sum_{r < s} - \sum_{r > s+1} \right) S_n(y_r) v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_i} + \\
& + Y_1(\alpha_i) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\alpha_s) S_{n-j}(\beta_s + 2\beta_{s+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_s} = \\
& = \sum_{r \neq i, i+1} S_n(y_r) X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_s) v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} + \\
& + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} E_k(\alpha_i) S_{1-k}(\alpha_i) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}+1/2} S_j(\alpha_s) S_{n-j}(\beta_s + 2\beta_{s+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_s} = \\
& = - \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\alpha_s) S_{n-j}(\beta_s + 2\beta_{s+1} + \dots + 2\beta_l) X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_s) v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

For other $X^\epsilon(\alpha_i)$ and $X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_l)$, $X_1^\epsilon(-(2\alpha_1 + \dots + 2\alpha_{l-1} + \alpha_l))$, the proof is similar to the first case. Then $Z_n^{[s]}v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ is also a highest weight vector.

Lemma 6.2 is proved.

For $\lambda = \Lambda_0 - \sum_{i=0}^l k_i \alpha_i$, define

$$\deg \lambda = \sum_{i=0}^l k_i,$$

and

$$V(P)_i = \sum_{\lambda: \deg \lambda = i} V(P)_\lambda,$$

then

$$V(P) = \sum V(P)_i.$$

The q -character ch_q is a map from $V(P)$ to $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]$ (to $\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1/2}]$ if l is even) defined by

$$\text{ch}_q V(P) = \sum \dim V(P)_i q^i.$$

Define the highest weight vector space of $V(P)^{[s]}$ as $\Omega_s \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$. Then we have the following theorem.

Theorem 6.1. Ω_s is generated by operators $Z_i^{[s]}$, $i \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}_-$. Moreover,

$$\text{ch}_q \Omega_s = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{l(l+2)n})(1 - q^{l[(l+2)n-s-1]})(1 - q^{l[(l+2)n-l+s-1]})}{1 - q^{ln}}.$$

7. Proof of Theorem 6.1.

Let

$$\widehat{H}^- = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_-} H_S \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

Theorem 6.1 will be proved by the following lemmas.

Lemma 7.1. $S(\widehat{H}_S^-) \otimes 1$ can be generated by operators $Z_n^{[s]}$, $n \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$, $s = 0, \dots, l$, on $1 \otimes 1$.

Proof. At first, by the definition of operators $Z^{[s]}(z)$,

$$Z_n^{[1]} - Z_n^{[0]} = 2S(y_1),$$

$$Z_n^{[2]} - Z_n^{[1]} = 2S(y_2),$$

.....

$$Z_n^{[l-1]} - Z_n^{[l-2]} = 2S(y_{l-1}),$$

moreover, for $0 < s < l$ and $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, $y_s \left(m + \frac{1}{2} \right)$ can be generated by operators $S_n(y_s)$, $n \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$.

So $S(\widehat{H}_S^-) \otimes 1$ can be generated by the $Z_n^{[s]}$'s.

Lemma 7.2. Suppose that $v \in S(\widehat{H}_S^-)$, then $v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ is a highest weight vector if and only if for all positive integers m ,

$$S_{m-1/2}(\alpha_i)v \otimes 1 = 0, \quad 0 < i < l, \quad i \neq s, \quad S_m(\alpha_s)v \otimes 1 = 0 \quad (\text{when } (\alpha_s|\alpha_s) = 1).$$

Proof. As we know that $v \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ is a highest weight vector if and only if

$$X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_i)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = X_1^\epsilon(-2\alpha_1 - \dots - 2\alpha_{l-1} - \alpha_l)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, l.$$

For any $v \in S(\widehat{H}_S^-)$, it always holds that

$$X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_l)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = X_1^\epsilon(-2\alpha_1 - \dots - 2\alpha_{l-1} - \alpha_l)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = 0.$$

Let

$$E(\alpha, z) = E^-(\alpha, z)E^+(\alpha, z) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} E_j(\alpha)z^{-j},$$

then for $0 < i < l$,

$$X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_i)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = \epsilon_{\alpha_i} Y_{1/2}(\alpha_i)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_i} = \epsilon_{\alpha_i} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} E_j(\alpha_i)S_{1/2-j}(\alpha_i)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_i}$$

for $i \neq s$ and

$$X_0^\epsilon(\alpha_i)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s} = \epsilon_{\alpha_i} Y_1(\alpha_i)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_i} = \epsilon_{\alpha_i} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} E_j(\alpha_i)S_{1-j}(\alpha_i)v \otimes e^{\gamma_s + \alpha_i}$$

for $i = s$. Thus this lemma holds.

Lemma 7.3. If $v \in S(\widehat{H}_S^-)$ and for all positive integer m ,

$$S_{m-1/2}(\alpha_1)v \otimes 1 = 0,$$

then v belongs to the subspace W_1 generated by $Z_{n/2}^{[0]}, Z_{n/2}^{[2]}, \dots, Z_{n/2}^{[l-1]}, Z_{n/2}^{[l]} = -Z_{n/2}^{[0]}$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Proof. Notice that

$$Z_{n/2}^{[0]} = - \sum_{r \neq 1, 2} S_{n/2}(y_r) - \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\beta_1)S_{n/2-j}(\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 + \dots + 2\beta_l) =$$

$$= - \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\alpha_1)S_{n/2-j}(\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 + \dots + 2\beta_l) + \text{terms commuting with } S(\alpha_1),$$

$$Z_{n/2}^{[1]} = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_{j+1/2}(\alpha_1)S_{n/2-j-1/2}(\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 + \dots + 2\beta_l) + \text{terms commuting with } S(\alpha_1),$$

and

$$Z_{n/2}^{[s]} = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} S_j(\alpha_1)S_{n/2-j}(\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 + \dots + 2\beta_l) + \text{terms commuting with } S(\alpha_1),$$

for $s \geq 2$. Since $(\alpha_1|\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 + \dots + 2\beta_l) = 0$, a homogeneous non-zero vector

$$v = v \otimes 1 = \sum a_{j_1, \dots, j_k} Z_{j_1}^{[s_1]} \dots Z_{j_k}^{[s_k]} \otimes 1$$

can be written as

$$\sum b_{i_1, \dots, i_r} S_{i_1}(\alpha_1) \dots S_{i_r}(\alpha_1) \otimes 1, \quad i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq 0,$$

where b_{i_1, \dots, i_r} is a non-zero polynomial commuting with $S(\alpha_1)$. Then $v \in W_1$ if and only if $i_1, \dots, i_r \in \mathbb{Z}$ for any b_{i_1, \dots, i_r} . It is easy to show that if $b_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \otimes 1 \neq 0$, then

$$S_{-j_1}(\alpha_1) \dots S_{-j_r}(\alpha_1)v = \text{a scalar of } b_{j_1, \dots, j_r} \otimes 1 \neq 0.$$

Condition $S_{m-1/2}(\alpha_1)v \otimes 1 = 0$ implies all $i_1, \dots, i_r \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $v \in W_1$.

Lemma 7.3 is proved.

A similar argument shows the following two lemmas.

Lemma 7.4. *If $v \in S(\widehat{H}_S^-)$ and for all positive integer m ,*

$$S_{m-1/2}(\alpha_1)v \otimes 1 = 0, S_{m-1/2}(\alpha_2)v \otimes 1 = 0,$$

then v belongs to the subspace generated by $Z_{n/2}^{[0]}, Z_{n/2}^{[3]}, \dots, Z_{n/2}^{[l-1]}, Z_{n/2}^{[l]} = -Z_{n/2}^{[0]}$.

Lemma 7.5. *If $v \in S(\widehat{H}_S^-)$ and for all positive integer m and $1 < i < l$,*

$$S_{m-1/2}(\alpha_i)v \otimes 1 = 0,$$

then v belongs to the subspace generated by $Z_n^{[0]}$.

Similarly to the proof for $s = 0$ above, for general s , we have the following lemma.

Lemma 7.6. *Suppose that $v \in S(\widehat{H}_S^-)$ and $0 < s < l$. If*

$$S_{m-1/2}(\alpha_i)v \otimes 1 = 0, \quad 0 < i < l, \quad i \neq s, \quad S_m(\alpha_s)v \otimes 1 = 0 \quad (\text{when } (\alpha_s|\alpha_s) = 1),$$

for all positive integer m , then v belongs to the subspace generated by $Z_n^{[s]}$.

Lemma 7.7. *For any $0 \leq s \leq l$, the element $1 \otimes e^{\gamma_s}$ is a highest weight vector.*

Lemma 7.8. *For odd $l \geq 3$, Ω_s has basis*

$$\left\{ Z_{n_1}^{[s]} \dots Z_{n_k}^{[s]} \otimes 1 \mid n_p \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}_-, n_p \leq n_{p+1}, n_p \leq n_{p+r} - 1, n_{k-\sigma(s)} \leq -1 \right\}.$$

For even $l \geq 2$, Ω_s has basis

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ Z_{n_1}^{[s]} \dots Z_{n_k}^{[s]} \otimes 1 \mid n_p \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}_-, n_p - n_{p+r} < -1 \Rightarrow \right. \\ & \left. \Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^r n_{p+i} \in \mathbb{Z}, n_p \leq n_{p+r} - 1, n_{k-\sigma(i)} \leq -1 \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

here $r = \frac{l-1}{2}$ if l odd and $r = \frac{l}{2}$ if l even, $\sigma(s) = s$ for $s \leq r$, otherwise, $\sigma(s) = r + 1 - s$.

Lemma 7.9. *For any $0 \leq s \leq l$,*

$$\text{ch}_q \Omega_s = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{l(l+2)n})(1 - q^{l[(l+2)n-s-1]})(1 - q^{l[(l+2)n-l+s-1]})}{1 - q^{ln}}.$$

For Lemmas 7.8 and 7.9, one can refer [8] (Theorem 10.4), [9] (Section 14) and [2] (Section 3). Lemmas 7.1–7.9 prove Theorem 6.1.

8. Product-sum identities. Since

$$V(P) = \sum_{s=0}^l \Omega_s \otimes L\left(\Lambda_s - \frac{s}{4}\delta\right),$$

we have the specialized character

$$\text{ch}_q V(P) = \sum_{s=0}^l \text{ch}_q \Omega_s \text{ ch}_q L\left(\Lambda_s - \frac{s}{4}\delta\right),$$

the left-hand side is

$$\frac{\sum_{n_1, \dots, n_l \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{\frac{1}{2}(ln_1^2 - n_1 + ln_2^2 - 3n_2 + \dots + ln_l^2 - (2l-1)n_l)}}{\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{ln})^{l-1} (1 - q^{2ln})}$$

which equals

$$\frac{q^{-l^2/8} [\kappa_{q^{1/2}}(l, 1) \kappa_{q^{1/2}}(l, 3), \dots, \kappa_{q^{1/2}}(l, l-1)]^2}{\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{ln})^{l-1} (1 - q^{2ln})} = q^{-l^2/8} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 + q^{n-1/2})^2}{1 - q^{ln}}$$

for even l , and equals

$$\frac{q^{-\frac{l^2-1}{8}} [\kappa_{q^{1/2}}(l, 1) \kappa_{q^{1/2}}(l, 3), \dots, \kappa_{q^{1/2}}(l, l-2)]^2 \kappa_{q^{1/2}}(l, l)}{\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{ln})^{l-1} (1 - q^{2ln})} = 2q^{-\frac{l^2-1}{8}} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{2ln-l})}{(1 - q^{2n-1})^2}$$

for odd l . Where κ_q is defined by Eqs. (4.1) and (4.2).

The right-hand side is

$$\sum_{s=0}^l \text{ch}_q \Omega_s \text{ ch}_q L\left(\Lambda_s - \frac{s}{4}\delta\right) = \sum_{s=0}^l q^{\frac{(l-s)s}{2}} \text{ch}_q \Omega_s \dim_q L(\Lambda_s).$$

Then by the computation of Ω_s and $\dim_q L(\Lambda_s)$ before, the proof for our main theorems is finished.

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