

## A TWINING CHARACTER FORMULA FOR DEMAZURE MODULES

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**Abstract.** We prove a formula for the twining characters of certain Demazure modules, over a Borel subalgebra  $\mathfrak{b}$  of a finite-dimensional complex semi-simple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . This formula describes the twining character of the Demazure module by the  $\omega$ -Demazure operator associated to an element of the Weyl group that is fixed by the Dynkin diagram automorphism  $\omega$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Our result is a refinement of the twining character formula for the irreducible highest weight  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules of symmetric dominant integral highest weights, and also of the ordinary Demazure character formula.

### Introduction

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a finite-dimensional complex semi-simple Lie algebra with Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  and Borel subalgebra  $\mathfrak{b} \supset \mathfrak{h}$ . Let  $\Delta \subset \mathfrak{h}^*$  be the set of roots of  $\mathfrak{g}$  relative to  $\mathfrak{h}$ . We choose a set of positive roots  $\Delta_+$  such that the roots of  $\mathfrak{b}$  are  $-\Delta_+$ . Let  $\{\alpha_i \mid i \in I\}$  be the set of simple roots in  $\Delta_+$ ,  $\{h_i \mid i \in I\}$  the set of simple coroots in  $\mathfrak{h}$ ,  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j \in I}$  the Cartan matrix with  $a_{ij} = \alpha_j(h_i)$ , and  $W = \langle r_i \mid i \in I \rangle \subset GL(\mathfrak{h}^*)$  the Weyl group.

A bijection  $\omega$  of the index set  $I$  such that  $a_{\omega(i), \omega(j)} = a_{ij}$  for all  $i, j \in I$  induces an automorphism  $\omega$  (see §1.1), called a (Dynkin) diagram automorphism, of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , which stabilizes  $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}} = \sum_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}h_i$ . Note that this bijection  $\omega$  of  $I$  also induces an automorphism  ${}^t\omega$  of the dual Lie algebra  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in a similar way, where the dual Lie algebra  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$  is a complex semi-simple Lie algebra with the Dynkin diagram opposite to the one for  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We denote by  $\langle \omega \rangle$  the cyclic subgroup (of order  $N$ ) of  $\text{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$  generated by the diagram automorphism  $\omega$ . The restriction of  $\omega$  to  $\mathfrak{h}$  induces a transposed map  $\omega^*: \mathfrak{h}^* \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^*$ , which stabilizes the integral weight lattice  $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^* = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^* \mid \lambda(h_i) \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } i \in I\} \simeq \mathbf{Ab}(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathbb{Z})$ . We set  $\mathfrak{h}^0 = \{h \in \mathfrak{h} \mid \omega(h) = h\}$ ,  $W^\omega = \{w \in W \mid \omega^*w = w\omega^*\}$ ,  $(\mathfrak{h}^*)^0 = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^* \mid \omega^*(\lambda) = \lambda\} \simeq (\mathfrak{h}^0)^*$ , and  $(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0 = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^* \mid \omega^*(\lambda) = \lambda\}$ .

In [FSS] and [FRS], they introduced a certain Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ , called the orbit Lie algebra, which is nothing but the dual Lie algebra  ${}^t({}^t\mathfrak{g})^{t\omega}$  of the (semi-simple) fixed

point subalgebra  $({}^t\mathfrak{g})^{{}^t\omega}$  of  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$  by the automorphism  ${}^t\omega$  of  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$ . Let  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$  be the Cartan subalgebra of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $\widehat{\mathfrak{b}} \supset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$  the Borel subalgebra, and  $\widehat{\Delta}_+ \subset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$  the set of positive roots chosen so that the roots of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{b}}$  are  $-\widehat{\Delta}_+$ . Let  $\{\widehat{\alpha}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\}$  be the set of simple roots in  $\widehat{\Delta}_+$ ,  $\{\widehat{h}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\}$  the set of simple coroots in  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$ , and  $\widehat{W} = \langle \widehat{r}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I} \rangle \subset GL(\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*)$  the Weyl group, where the index set  $\widehat{I}$  is a set of representatives of the  $\omega$ -orbits in  $I$ . It is well-known that there exist an isomorphism of groups  $\Theta: \widehat{W} \rightarrow W^\omega$  and a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear isomorphism  $P_\omega: \mathfrak{h}^0 \rightarrow \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$  such that if  $P_\omega^*: \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^* \xrightarrow{\sim} (\mathfrak{h}^0)^* \simeq (\mathfrak{h}^*)^0$  is the transposed map of  $P_\omega$ , then  $\Theta(\widehat{w})|_{(\mathfrak{h}^*)^0} = P_\omega^* \circ \widehat{w} \circ (P_\omega^*)^{-1}$  for all  $\widehat{w} \in \widehat{W}$ . We set  $w_i = \Theta(\widehat{r}_i) \in W^\omega$  for  $i \in \widehat{I}$ . In particular,  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$  forms a Coxeter system.

For dominant  $\lambda \in (\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0$ , let  $L(\lambda)$  be the simple  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module of highest weight  $\lambda$ . It admits a unique  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear  $\langle \omega \rangle$ -action such that  $\omega \cdot (xv) = \omega(x)(\omega \cdot v)$  for each  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $v \in L(\lambda)$ , and such that  $\omega \cdot v_\lambda = v_\lambda$ , where  $v_\lambda$  is a (nonzero) highest weight vector of  $L(\lambda)$ . So therefore does its dual module  $L(\lambda)^* \simeq L(-w_0(\lambda))$  with  $w_0$  the longest element in  $W$ . In [FSS] and [FRS], they defined the twining character  $\text{ch}^\omega(L(\lambda))$  of  $L(\lambda)$  by

$$\text{ch}^\omega(L(\lambda)) = \sum_{\mu \in (\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0} \text{Tr}(\omega|_{L(\lambda)_\mu}) e(\mu)$$

in the group algebra  $\mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0]$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  of  $(\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0$  with basis  $e(\mu)$ ,  $\mu \in (\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0$ , and they proved

$$\text{ch}^\omega(L(\lambda)) = P_\omega^* \left( \text{ch} \widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda}) \right),$$

where  $\text{ch} \widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda}) \in \mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*]$  is the ordinary character of the simple  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ -module  $\widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda})$  of dominant integral highest weight  $\widehat{\lambda} = (P_\omega^*)^{-1}(\lambda) \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{b})$  be the universal enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{b}$ , and for each  $w \in W^\omega$ , let  $J_w(\lambda) = \mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{b})v_{w(\lambda)}^* \subset L(\lambda)^*$  be Joseph's module of highest weight  $-w(\lambda)$  in  $L(\lambda)^*$ , with  $v_{w(\lambda)}^*$  a (nonzero) weight vector in  $L(\lambda)^*$  of weight  $-w(\lambda)$ . In this paper we will prove a formula of Demazure type for the twining character  $\text{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda))$  of  $J_w(\lambda)$  defined by

$$\text{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda)) = \sum_{\mu \in (\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0} \text{Tr}(\omega|_{J_w(\lambda)_\mu}) e(\mu).$$

As a corollary, we will find a striking relation:

$$\text{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda)) = P_\omega^* \left( \text{ch} \widehat{J}_{\widehat{w}}(\widehat{\lambda}) \right),$$

where  $\widehat{w} = \Theta^{-1}(w) \in \widehat{W}$  and  $\text{ch} \widehat{J}_{\widehat{w}}(\widehat{\lambda}) \in \mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*]$  is the ordinary character of Joseph's module  $\widehat{J}_{\widehat{w}}(\widehat{\lambda})$  of highest weight  $-\widehat{w}(\widehat{\lambda})$  for the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

To explain our result precisely, we need some more notation. Let  $G$  be a connected, simply connected semi-simple linear algebraic group over  $\mathbb{C}$  with maximal torus  $T$  and Borel subgroup  $B \supset T$  such that  $\text{Lie}(G) = \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\text{Lie}(T) = \mathfrak{h}$ , and  $\text{Lie}(B) = \mathfrak{b}$ . We will identify the rational character group  $\Lambda = \mathbf{Grp}_\mathbb{C}(T, GL_1)$  of  $T$  with  $\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*$ . The diagram automorphism  $\omega$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  lifts to an automorphism of  $G$ , which we will by abuse of notation

denote by  $\omega$ . We will also denote the induced action of  $\omega$  on  $\Lambda$  by the same letter  $\omega$ , and set  $\Lambda^\omega = \{\lambda \in \Lambda \mid \omega \cdot \lambda = \lambda\}$ .

For a rational  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes T$ -module  $V$ , we define the twining character  $\text{ch}^\omega(V) \in \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$  of  $V$  to be

$$\text{ch}^\omega(V) = \sum_{\mu \in \Lambda^\omega} \text{Tr}(\omega|_{V_\mu}) e(\mu),$$

where  $V_\mu$  is the  $\mu$ -weight space of  $V$ . Here we note that the twining character  $\text{ch}^\omega(V) \in \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$  can be viewed as the trace function

$$T \ni t \mapsto \text{Tr}((\omega, t) ; V) \in \mathbb{C}.$$

In fact, we have for each  $t \in T$ ,

$$\text{Tr}((\omega, t) ; V) = \sum_{\mu \in \Lambda^\omega} \text{Tr}(\omega|_{V_\mu}) \mu(t) \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Fix  $w \in W^\omega$ , and let  $X(w)$  be the associated Schubert variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ , which is the Zariski closure in the flag variety  $G/B$  of the Bruhat cell  $B\dot{w}B/B$ , where  $\dot{w} \in N_G(T)$  denotes a right coset representative of  $w \in W \simeq N_G(T)/T$  fixed by  $\omega \in \text{Aut}(G)$ . If  $M$  is a rational  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module, then the  $B$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{O}_{X(w)}$ -module  $\mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M)$  associated to  $M$  carries a structure of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant sheaf (see §2.3), so that its cohomology groups  $H^\bullet(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M))$  are  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -modules. For each  $\lambda \in \Lambda^\omega$ , we let  $\mathbb{C}_\lambda$  denote the one-dimensional  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module on which  $B$  acts via  $\lambda$  through the quotient  $B \rightarrow T$  and  $\langle \omega \rangle$  trivially. We call  $H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))$  for dominant  $\lambda \in \Lambda^\omega$  a Demazure module. Now Joseph's module  $J_w(\lambda)$  admits a structure of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module, and we have an isomorphism of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -modules (see §3.2)

$$J_w(\lambda)^* \simeq H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)),$$

where  $J_w(\lambda)^*$  is the dual  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module of  $J_w(\lambda)$ . We can now state our main result in this paper.

**Theorem 0.1.** *Let  $M$  be a finite-dimensional rational  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module,  $w \in W^\omega$ , and let  $w = w_{i_1} w_{i_2} \cdots w_{i_n}$  be a reduced expression in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ . Then we have in  $\mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$ ,*

$$\sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch}^\omega(H^j(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M))) = \widehat{D}_{i_1} \widehat{D}_{i_2} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n} (\text{ch}^\omega(M)),$$

where  $\widehat{D}_i$ ,  $i \in \widehat{I}$ , is the  $\omega$ -Demazure operator (see §1.4). In particular, for dominant  $\lambda \in \Lambda^\omega$ , we have

$$\text{ch}^\omega(H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))) = \widehat{D}_{i_1} \widehat{D}_{i_2} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n} (e(\lambda)).$$

Now let  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}} = \sum_{i \in \widehat{I}} \mathbb{Z} \widehat{h}_i$  and  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^* = \mathbf{Ab}(\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathbb{Z}) \subset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$ . For dominant  $\widehat{\lambda} \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*$ , let  $\widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda})$  be the simple  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ -module of highest weight  $\widehat{\lambda}$ , and for each  $\widehat{w} \in \widehat{W}$ , let  $\widehat{J}_{\widehat{w}}(\widehat{\lambda}) = \mathfrak{U}(\widehat{\mathfrak{b}}) \widehat{v}_{\widehat{w}(\widehat{\lambda})}^* \subset \widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda})^*$  be Joseph's module of highest weight  $-\widehat{w}(\widehat{\lambda})$  with  $\widehat{v}_{\widehat{w}(\widehat{\lambda})}^* \in \widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda})^*$  a (nonzero) weight vector of weight  $-\widehat{w}(\widehat{\lambda})$ .

**Corollary 0.2.** *Let  $\lambda \in (\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0$  be dominant and  $w \in W^\omega$ . We set  $\widehat{\lambda} = (P_\omega^*)^{-1}(\lambda) \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*$  and  $\widehat{w} = \Theta^{-1}(w) \in \widehat{W}$ . Then we have in  $\mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0]$ ,*

$$\mathrm{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda)) = P_\omega^* \left( \mathrm{ch} \widehat{J}_{\widehat{w}}(\widehat{\lambda}) \right),$$

where  $P_\omega^*$  is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra isomorphism  $\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*] \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0]$  defined by  $P_\omega^*(e(\widehat{\mu})) = e(P_\omega^*(\widehat{\mu}))$  for each basis element  $e(\widehat{\mu})$ ,  $\widehat{\mu} \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*$ , of the group algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*]$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*$ .

The paper is organized as follows. In §1 we assemble some definitions and properties of orbit Lie algebras and of twining characters needed later. In §2 we study the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant Demazure-Hansen desingularizations of the  $\langle \omega \rangle$ -invariant Schubert varieties, and some  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant sheaves on these varieties. We finish the proof of our main theorem in §3, using all the materials above and the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant Leray spectral sequences.

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**Notation.** In this paper we mainly follow the notation of [Ja] except that for a category  $\mathcal{C}$  and its objects  $A$  and  $B$ , the symbol  $\mathcal{C}(A, B)$  will denote the set of morphisms of  $\mathcal{C}$  from  $A$  to  $B$ . The following is a list of symbols for the categories we will be working in:

- Ab** the category of abelian groups
- Grp $_{\mathbb{C}}$**  the category of linear algebraic groups over  $\mathbb{C}$
- Var** the category of varieties over  $\mathbb{C}$
- Mod $_X$**  the category of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules,  $\mathcal{O}_X$  the structure sheaf of a variety  $X$

## 1. Twining characters

For details about diagram automorphisms and orbit Lie algebras briefly explained in §1.1 and §1.2 below, see [FSS], [FRS], and [N1]–[N3].

### 1.1. Diagram automorphisms

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a finite-dimensional complex semi-simple Lie algebra with Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  and Borel subalgebra  $\mathfrak{b} \supset \mathfrak{h}$ . Let  $\Delta \subset \mathfrak{h}^*$  be the set of roots of  $\mathfrak{g}$  relative to  $\mathfrak{h}$ . We choose a set of positive roots  $\Delta_+$  such that the roots of  $\mathfrak{b}$  are  $-\Delta_+$ . Let  $\{\alpha_i \mid i \in I\}$  be the set of simple roots in  $\Delta_+$ ,  $\{h_i \mid i \in I\}$  the set of simple coroots in  $\mathfrak{h}$ ,  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j \in I}$  the Cartan matrix with  $a_{ij} = \alpha_j(h_i)$ , and  $W = \langle r_i \mid i \in I \rangle \subset GL(\mathfrak{h}^*)$  the Weyl group. We take and fix a Chevalley basis  $\{e_\alpha, f_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Delta_+\} \cup \{h_i \mid i \in I\}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , and let  $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}} = \sum_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}h_i$ .

We fix a bijection  $\omega: I \rightarrow I$  of the index set  $I$  such that

$$a_{\omega(i), \omega(j)} = a_{ij} \quad \text{for all } i, j \in I.$$

Let  $N$  be the order of  $\omega$ , and  $N_i$  the number of elements of the  $\omega$ -orbit of  $i \in I$ . This  $\omega$  can be extended in a unique way to an automorphism (also denoted by  $\omega$ ) of order  $N$  of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  in such a way that

$$\begin{cases} \omega(e_i) = e_{\omega(i)}, & i \in I, \\ \omega(f_i) = f_{\omega(i)}, & i \in I, \\ \omega(h_i) = h_{\omega(i)}, & i \in I, \end{cases}$$

where  $e_i = e_{\alpha_i}$  and  $f_i = f_{\alpha_i}$  for  $i \in I$  are the Chevalley generators. In a similar way, the bijection  $\omega: I \rightarrow I$  can also be extended to an automorphism  ${}^t\omega$  of the dual Lie algebra  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , where the dual Lie algebra  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$  is a complex semi-simple Lie algebra which has the Dynkin diagram opposite to that of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Note that we have  $(\omega(x)|\omega(y)) = (x|y)$  for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{g}$ , where  $(\cdot|\cdot)$  is the suitably normalized Killing form on  $\mathfrak{g}$  (cf. [N2, §3.1]), and that the restriction of  $\omega$  to the Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  induces a transposed map  $\omega^*: \mathfrak{h}^* \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^*$  such that  $\omega^*(\lambda)(h) = \lambda(\omega(h))$  for  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $h \in \mathfrak{h}$ , which is also an isometry with respect to  $(\cdot|\cdot)$ . We set  $(\mathfrak{h}^*)^0 = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^* \mid \omega^*(\lambda) = \lambda\}$ ,  $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^* = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^* \mid \lambda(h_i) \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } i \in I\} \simeq \mathbf{Ab}(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathbb{Z})$ , and  $(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0 = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^* \mid \omega^*(\lambda) = \lambda\}$ . Note that the Weyl vector  $\rho = (1/2) \cdot \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_+} \alpha$  is in  $(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0$ .

### 1.2. Orbit Lie algebras

We choose and fix a set  $\widehat{I}$  of representatives of the  $\omega$ -orbits in  $I$ , and set  $\widehat{A} = (\widehat{a}_{ij})_{i,j \in \widehat{I}}$ , where  $\widehat{a}_{ij}$  is given by

$$\widehat{a}_{ij} = s_j \times \sum_{k=0}^{N_j-1} a_{i, \omega^k(j)} \quad \text{for } i, j \in \widehat{I} \quad \text{with} \quad s_j = \frac{2}{\sum_{k=0}^{N_j-1} a_{j, \omega^k(j)}} \quad \text{for } j \in \widehat{I}.$$

Set for each  $i \in \widehat{I}$ ,  $I_i = \{\omega^k(i) \mid 0 \leq k \leq N_i - 1\} \subset I$ . We know from [FRS, §2] that for each  $i \in \widehat{I}$ ,

$$\sum_{k \in I_i} a_{ik} = 1 \text{ or } 2.$$

Moreover, there are only two possibilities:

- (a) if  $\sum_{k \in I_i} a_{ik} = 1$ , then  $N_i$  is even and the subgraph of the Dynkin diagram corresponding to the subset  $I_i \subset I$  is of type  $A_2 \times \cdots \times A_2$  (where  $A_2$  appears  $N_i/2$  times);
- (b) if  $\sum_{k \in I_i} a_{ik} = 2$ , then the subgraph of the Dynkin diagram corresponding to the subset  $I_i \subset I$  is totally disconnected and of type  $A_1 \times \cdots \times A_1$  (where  $A_1$  appears  $N_i$  times).

The orbit Lie algebra associated to the diagram automorphism  $\omega \in \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$  is defined to be the complex semi-simple Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  associated to the Cartan matrix  $\widehat{A} = (\widehat{a}_{ij})_{i,j \in \widehat{I}}$  with the Cartan subalgebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$ , the Borel subalgebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{b}} \supset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$ , the set of positive roots  $\widehat{\Delta}_+ \subset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$  chosen so that the roots of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{b}}$  are  $-\widehat{\Delta}_+$ , the set of simple roots  $\{\widehat{\alpha}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\} \subset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$ , the set of simple coroots  $\{\widehat{h}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\} \subset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$ , and the Weyl group  $\widehat{W} = \langle \widehat{r}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I} \rangle \subset GL(\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*)$ .

*Remark 1.2.1.* The Dynkin diagram of the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  is in general disconnected, and so the  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a direct sum of simple Lie algebras. We can easily determine the explicit diagram of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  from the argument in [N2, §3.2], by using the table in [FSS, §2.4] for the case where  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a simple Lie algebra. Moreover, by using the results of [Kac, 7.9–7.10] for the case where  $\mathfrak{g}$  is simple (see also [N1, §4] for a more general case), we can easily deduce that the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  is nothing but the dual Lie algebra  ${}^t({}^t\mathfrak{g})^{t\omega}$  of the (semi-simple) fixed point subalgebra  $({}^t\mathfrak{g})^{t\omega} = \{x \in {}^t\mathfrak{g} \mid ({}^t\omega)(x) = x\}$  of  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$  by the automorphism  ${}^t\omega$  of  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$ .

We set  $\mathfrak{h}^0 = \{h \in \mathfrak{h} \mid \omega(h) = h\}$ . Then there exists a linear isomorphism  $P_\omega: \mathfrak{h}^0 \rightarrow \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$  given by

$$P_\omega \left( \sum_{k \in I_i} h_k \right) = N_i \widehat{h}_i \quad \text{for each } i \in \widehat{I}. \quad (1)$$

Since this map  $P_\omega: \mathfrak{h}^0 \xrightarrow{\sim} \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$  is an isometry with respect to the respective Killing forms on  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ , it induces a transposed map (which is also isometric)  $P_\omega^*: \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^* \xrightarrow{\sim} (\mathfrak{h}^0)^* \simeq (\mathfrak{h}^*)^0$  such that  $P_\omega^*(\widehat{\lambda})(h) = \widehat{\lambda}(P_\omega(h))$  for  $\widehat{\lambda} \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$ ,  $h \in \mathfrak{h}^0$ . Note that we have for each  $i \in \widehat{I}$ ,

$$P_\omega^*(\widehat{\alpha}_i) = s_i \beta_i, \quad (2)$$

where  $\beta_i = \sum_{k \in I_i} \alpha_k \in (\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0$ . Also, if  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}} = \sum_{i \in \widehat{I}} \mathbb{Z} \widehat{h}_i$  and  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^* = \mathbf{Ab}(\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathbb{Z}) \subset \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$ , then (see §1.6)  $P_\omega^*(\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*) = (\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0$ .

We now define the subgroup  $W^\omega$  of  $W$  by

$$W^\omega = \{w \in W \mid \omega^* w = w \omega^*\}.$$

It is well-known (see, e.g., [FRS]) that there exists an isomorphism of groups

$$\Theta: \widehat{W} \rightarrow W^\omega$$

from the Weyl group  $\widehat{W}$  of the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  onto the group  $W^\omega$  such that the following diagram commutes for each  $\widehat{w} \in \widehat{W}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^* & \xrightarrow{P_\omega^*} & (\mathfrak{h}^*)^0 \\ \widehat{w} \downarrow & & \downarrow \Theta(\widehat{w})|_{(\mathfrak{h}^*)^0} \\ \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^* & \xrightarrow{P_\omega^*} & (\mathfrak{h}^*)^0. \end{array} \quad (3)$$

For each  $i \in \widehat{I}$ , set  $w_i = \Theta(\widehat{r}_i) \in W^\omega$ . Explicitly,

$$w_i = \begin{cases} \prod_{k=0}^{N_i/2-1} \left( r_{\omega^k(i)} r_{\omega^{k+N_i/2}(i)} r_{\omega^k(i)} \right) & \text{if } \sum_{k=0}^{N_i-1} a_{i, \omega^k(i)} = 1, \\ \prod_{k=0}^{N_i-1} r_{\omega^k(i)} & \text{if } \sum_{k=0}^{N_i-1} a_{i, \omega^k(i)} = 2. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Hence each  $w_i$  is the longest element of the subgroup  $W_{I_i}$  of the Weyl group  $W$  generated by the  $r_k$ 's for  $k \in I_i$ . Notice that  $w_{\omega(i)} = w_i$  and  $w_i^2 = 1$  for  $i \in \widehat{I}$ . Furthermore,  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$  forms a Coxeter system as  $(\widehat{W}, \{\widehat{r}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$  does. We will denote the length function of the Coxeter system  $(W, \{r_i \mid i \in I\})$  (resp.  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ ) by  $\ell: W \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  (resp.  $\widehat{\ell}: W^\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ).

### 1.3. A Lemma about the length functions

**Lemma 1.3.1.** *Let  $w = w_{i_1}w_{i_2}\cdots w_{i_n} \in W^\omega$  be a reduced expression of  $w \in W^\omega$  in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ , i.e.,  $\widehat{\ell}(w) = n$ . Then  $\ell(w) = \ell(w_{i_1}) + \ell(w_{i_2}) + \cdots + \ell(w_{i_n})$ .*

*Proof.* We argue by induction on  $n$ . For  $n = 1$ , the assertion is trivial. Suppose that  $n \geq 2$ , and set  $u = w_{i_2}\cdots w_{i_n} \in W^\omega$ . Because  $u = w_{i_2}\cdots w_{i_n}$  is a reduced expression in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ , it follows from the induction hypothesis that  $\ell(u) = \ell(w_{i_2}) + \cdots + \ell(w_{i_n})$ . Hence we need to show that  $\ell(w) = \ell(w_{i_1}) + \ell(u)$ . For this purpose, we set

$$\Delta(w) = \{\alpha \in \Delta_+ \mid w^{-1}(\alpha) \in \Delta_-\},$$

$$\Delta(u) = \{\alpha \in \Delta_+ \mid u^{-1}(\alpha) \in \Delta_-\},$$

$$\Delta(w_{i_1}) = \{\alpha \in \Delta_+ \mid w_{i_1}^{-1}(\alpha) \in \Delta_-\},$$

and show that

$$\Delta(w) \supset \Delta(w_{i_1}) \sqcup w_{i_1}(\Delta(u)), \quad (5)$$

which we leave to the reader as an easy exercise. Then the assertion that  $\ell(w) = \ell(w_{i_1}) + \ell(u)$  immediately follows since

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(w) &= \#\Delta(w) \geq \#\Delta(w_{i_1}) + \#\Delta(u) \\ &= \ell(w_{i_1}) + \ell(u), \end{aligned}$$

while the reverse inequality  $\ell(w) = \ell(w_{i_1}u) \leq \ell(w_{i_1}) + \ell(u)$  is obvious.  $\square$

*Remark 1.3.2.* It is obvious that the map  $\alpha \mapsto \omega^*(\alpha)$  gives a bijection from the set  $\Delta(\omega^*w(\omega^*)^{-1})$  onto the set  $\Delta(w)$ . Hence we see that the longest element  $w_0 \in W$  belongs to  $W^\omega$ . In fact, arguing as in the proof of Lemma 1.3.1, we can easily show that the isomorphism  $\Theta: \widehat{W} \xrightarrow{\sim} W^\omega$  maps the longest element  $\widehat{w}_0 \in \widehat{W}$  to the longest element  $w_0 \in W$ .

### 1.4. The $\omega$ -Demazure operators

Recall the ordinary Demazure operator  $D_i$ ,  $i \in I$ , on the group ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*] = \coprod_{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*} \mathbb{Z}e(\lambda)$ :

$$D_i: e(\lambda) \mapsto \frac{e(\lambda) - e(-\alpha_i)e(r_i(\lambda))}{1 - e(-\alpha_i)}.$$

Let  $\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*]$  be the group algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*$  with basis  $e(\widehat{\lambda})$ ,  $\widehat{\lambda} \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*$ . Define likewise the Demazure operator  $D_{\widehat{r}_i}$ ,  $i \in \widehat{I}$ , on  $\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*]$  to be the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear endomorphism of  $\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*]$  given by

$$D_{\widehat{r}_i}(e(\widehat{\lambda})) = \frac{e(\widehat{\lambda}) - e(-\widehat{\alpha}_i)e(\widehat{r}_i(\widehat{\lambda}))}{1 - e(-\widehat{\alpha}_i)}.$$

Then transfer  $D_{\widehat{r}_i}$  via  $P_\omega^*$  onto the group algebra  $\mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0]$  to define the  $\omega$ -Demazure operator

$$\widehat{D}_i = P_\omega^* \circ D_{\widehat{r}_i} \circ (P_\omega^*)^{-1} \quad \text{for } i \in \widehat{I}. \quad (6)$$

Thus we can easily check the following.

**Lemma 1.4.1.** *Let  $i \in \widehat{I}$ . For each  $\lambda \in (\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0$ , we have*

$$\widehat{D}_i(e(\lambda)) = \frac{e(\lambda) - e(-s_i\beta_i)e(w_i(\lambda))}{1 - e(-s_i\beta_i)},$$

and moreover

$$\widehat{D}_i(e(\lambda)) = \begin{cases} e(\lambda) + e(\lambda - s_i\beta_i) + \cdots + e(w_i(\lambda)) & \text{if } \lambda(h_i) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \lambda(h_i) = -1, \\ -\left(e(\lambda + s_i\beta_i) + e(\lambda + 2s_i\beta_i) + \cdots + e(w_i(\lambda + s_i\beta_i))\right) & \text{if } \lambda(h_i) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\leq -2}. \end{cases}$$

*Remark 1.4.2.* Let  $w = w_{i_1}w_{i_2}\cdots w_{i_n}$  be a reduced expression of  $w \in W^\omega$  in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ , i.e.,  $\widehat{\ell}(w) = n$ . We set  $\widehat{D}_w = \widehat{D}_{i_1}\widehat{D}_{i_2}\cdots\widehat{D}_{i_n} \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0])$ . Then we have by the definition that

$$\widehat{D}_w = P_\omega^* \circ (D_{\widehat{r}_{i_1}} D_{\widehat{r}_{i_2}} \cdots D_{\widehat{r}_{i_n}}) \circ (P_\omega^*)^{-1}.$$

Hence we see that the operator  $\widehat{D}_w \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*)^0])$  defined above does not depend on the choice of the reduced expression of  $w \in W^\omega$  as the product  $D_{\widehat{r}_{i_1}} D_{\widehat{r}_{i_2}} \cdots D_{\widehat{r}_{i_n}} \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_{\mathbb{Z}}])$  of the ordinary Demazure operators does not depend on the choice of the reduced expression of  $\Theta^{-1}(w) = \widehat{r}_{i_1}\widehat{r}_{i_2}\cdots\widehat{r}_{i_n} \in \widehat{W}$  in the Coxeter system  $(\widehat{W}, \{\widehat{r}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ .

### 1.5. Twining characters

Let  $G$  be a connected, simply connected semi-simple linear algebraic group over  $\mathbb{C}$  with maximal torus  $T$  and Borel subgroup  $B \supset T$  such that  $\text{Lie}(G) = \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\text{Lie}(T) = \mathfrak{h}$ , and  $\text{Lie}(B) = \mathfrak{b}$ . Then the character group  $\Lambda = \mathbf{Grp}_{\mathbb{C}}(T, GL_1)$  of  $T$  may be identified with  $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*$  by taking the differential at the identity element, i.e., by the map  $\lambda \mapsto d\lambda$ . For each  $i \in I$  and  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , we will write  $\langle \lambda, \alpha_i^\vee \rangle = (d\lambda)(h_i)$ , where  $\alpha_i^\vee \in \mathbf{Grp}_{\mathbb{C}}(GL_1, T)$  is the coroot of  $\alpha_i \in \Lambda$ . Let  $\Lambda_+ = \{\lambda \in \Lambda \mid \langle \lambda, \alpha_i^\vee \rangle \geq 0 \text{ for all } i \in I\}$  be the set of dominant weights of  $\Lambda$ .

For each root  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ , let  $u_\alpha : \mathbf{G}_a \rightarrow G$  be a morphism defining the root subgroup of  $G$  associated to  $\alpha$ . We choose  $u_{\pm\alpha_i}$  such that  $(du_{\alpha_i})(1) = e_i$  and  $(du_{-\alpha_i})(1) = f_i$  for each  $i \in I$ . There exists an automorphism of  $G$  whose differential at the identity element coincides with the diagram automorphism  $\omega$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (cf. [Ja, II.1.13–15]). By abuse of notation, we will denote still by  $\omega$  this automorphism of  $G$  and by  $\langle \omega \rangle$  the cyclic subgroup (of order  $N$ ) of  $\text{Aut}(G)$  generated by the  $\omega$ . Thus the automorphism  $\omega$  of  $G$  permutes the root subgroups in such a way that

$$\omega(u_{\pm\alpha_i}(\xi)) = u_{\pm\alpha_{\omega(i)}}(\xi) \quad \text{for all } \xi \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } i \in I.$$

Whenever there can be ambiguity, we will write  $d\omega$  for the automorphism of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

Recall that the Weyl group  $W \subset GL(\mathfrak{h}^*)$  may be identified with  $N_G(T)/T$ , where  $N_G(T)$  is the normalizer of  $T$  in  $G$ . Each  $w \in W^\omega$  lifts to an element of  $N_G(T)$  fixed by  $\omega \in \text{Aut}(G)$  (cf. [Sp, 9.3]), which will be denoted by  $\dot{w}$ . We will also denote the induced



action of  $\omega$  on  $\Lambda$  by the same letter  $\omega$ , and set  $\Lambda^\omega = \{\lambda \in \Lambda \mid \omega \cdot \lambda = \lambda\}$ ,  $\Lambda_+^\omega = \Lambda^\omega \cap \Lambda_+$ . Note that, under the identification  $\Lambda \simeq \mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^* \subset \mathfrak{h}^*$ , this action of  $\omega$  on  $\Lambda$  coincides with the restriction of  $((d\omega)^{-1})^* = ((d\omega)^*)^{-1}$  to  $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{Z}}^*$ .

By a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -module  $M$ , we will always mean a finite-dimensional rational  $G$ -module that admits a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear  $\langle \omega \rangle$ -action such that

$$\omega \cdot (gm) = \omega(g)(\omega \cdot m) \quad \text{for all } g \in G, m \in M.$$

Regarding the semi-direct product  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$  of  $\langle \omega \rangle$  and  $G$  as a linear algebraic group, this is the same as a finite-dimensional rational  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -module. Likewise for  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ - and  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes T$ -modules. Let  $\mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$  be the group algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  of  $\Lambda^\omega$  with basis  $e(\lambda)$ ,  $\lambda \in \Lambda^\omega$ . Let  $M$  be a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes T$ -module, and let

$$M = \coprod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} M_\lambda \quad \text{with} \quad M_\lambda = \{m \in M \mid tm = \lambda(t)m \text{ for all } t \in T\}$$

be the weight space decomposition with respect to  $T$ . Now, following [FSS] and [FRS], we define the twining character  $\text{ch}^\omega(M)$  of  $M$  to be

$$\text{ch}^\omega(M) = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda^\omega} \text{Tr}(\omega|_{M_\lambda}) e(\lambda) \in \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega].$$

*Remark 1.5.1.* It easily follows that for each  $t \in T$ ,

$$\text{Tr}((\omega, t); M) = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda^\omega} \text{Tr}(\omega|_{M_\lambda}) \lambda(t) \in \mathbb{C}$$

since  $\omega \cdot M_\lambda = M_{\omega \cdot \lambda}$  for  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Hence the twining character  $\text{ch}^\omega(M) \in \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$  can be thought of as the trace function

$$T \ni t \mapsto \text{Tr}((\omega, t); M) \in \mathbb{C}.$$

### 1.6. An example

Let  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+^\omega$  and  $L(\lambda)$  the simple rational  $G$ -module of highest weight  $\lambda$ . We can make  $L(\lambda)$  into a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -module as follows. The  $G$ -module  ${}^\omega L(\lambda)$  obtained from  $L(\lambda)$  by twisting the  $G$ -action by  $\omega$  is isomorphic to  $L(\lambda)$ , since  $\omega$  fixes  $\lambda$ . If  $\tau_\omega$  is the isomorphism from  ${}^\omega L(\lambda)$  to  $L(\lambda)$ , define the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -action on  $L(\lambda)$  by

$$(\omega^r, g) \cdot v = \tau_\omega^{-r}(gv), \quad r \in \mathbb{Z}, g \in G, v \in L(\lambda),$$

where  $gv$  on the right-hand side is computed with respect to the original  $G$ -action (cf. [FRS]). Note that a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -module structure on  $L(\lambda)$  such that  $\omega$  fixes a highest weight vector  $v_\lambda$  of  $L(\lambda)$  is unique since  $L(\lambda)$  is a cyclic  $G$ -module generated by  $v_\lambda$ . Throughout the rest of this paper, by a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -module  $L(\lambda)$  we will always mean the one defined above, i.e., such that  $\omega \cdot v_\lambda = v_\lambda$ .

On the other hand, for each  $i \in \widehat{I}$ , we have by (1),

$$(P_\omega^*)^{-1}(\lambda)(N_i \widehat{h}_i) = \lambda(P_\omega^{-1}(N_i \widehat{h}_i)) = \lambda \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N_i-1} h_{\omega^k(i)} \right) = N_i \lambda(h_i),$$

and hence  $(P_\omega^*)^{-1}(\lambda)(\widehat{h}_i) = \lambda(h_i)$  (which also implies that  $P_\omega^*(\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*) = (\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0$ ). Thus  $\widehat{\lambda} = (P_\omega^*)^{-1}(\lambda) \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}^*$  is dominant integral. If  $\widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda})$  is the simple  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ -module of highest weight  $\widehat{\lambda}$ , it is shown in [FSS] and [FRS] that

$$\mathrm{ch}^\omega(L(\lambda)) = P_\omega^*\left(\mathrm{ch} \widehat{L}(\widehat{\lambda})\right), \quad (7)$$

where  $P_\omega^*$  on the right-hand side is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra isomorphism  $\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*] \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0]$  defined by

$$P_\omega^*(e(\widehat{\mu})) = e(P_\omega^*(\widehat{\mu})) \quad \text{for } \widehat{\mu} \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*.$$

Assume now that  $J = I_i = \{\omega^k(i) \mid 0 \leq k \leq N_i - 1\} \subset I$ ,  $i \in \widehat{I}$ , and let  $P_J$  be the standard parabolic subgroup of  $G$  associated to  $J$ . Let  $\nu \in \Lambda^\omega$  with  $\langle \nu, \alpha_i^\vee \rangle \geq 0$  (hence  $\langle \nu, \alpha_j^\vee \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $j \in J$ ). If  $L_J(\nu)$  is the simple rational  $P_J$ -module of highest weight  $\nu$ , then it remains simple as a rational module over the Levi factor  $L_J$  of  $P_J$  with the unipotent radical  $U_J$  of  $P_J$  acting trivially. We can make  $L_J(\nu)$  into a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P_J$ -module in the same way as  $L(\lambda)$  above.

**Lemma 1.6.1.** *With the notation and assumption as above, we have in  $\mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$ ,*

$$\mathrm{ch}^\omega(L_J(\nu)) = \widehat{D}_i(e(\nu)).$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{g}_J$  be the reductive subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$  generated by  $\mathfrak{h}$  and  $\{e_k, f_k \mid k \in J\}$ , and  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_J \subset \widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  the (reductive) orbit Lie algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}_J$ . If  $\widehat{\nu} = (P_\omega^*)^{-1}(\nu) \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*$  and if  $\widehat{L}_J(\widehat{\nu})$  is the simple  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_J$ -module with highest weight  $\widehat{\nu}$ , then we have

$$\mathrm{ch}^\omega(L_J(\nu)) = P_\omega^*\left(\mathrm{ch} \widehat{L}_J(\widehat{\nu})\right)$$

since the proof of (7) in [FRS] goes through also for the reductive subalgebra  $\mathfrak{g}_J$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Moreover, because the (reductive) orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_J$  is of type  $A_1$  and  $\widehat{\nu}(\widehat{h}_i) = \nu(h_i) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} P_\omega^*(\mathrm{ch} \widehat{L}_J(\widehat{\nu})) &= P_\omega^*\left(e(\widehat{\nu}) + e(\widehat{\nu} - \widehat{\alpha}_i) + \cdots + e(\widehat{r}_i(\widehat{\nu}))\right) \\ &= P_\omega^*\left(D_{\widehat{r}_i}(e(\widehat{\nu}))\right) \\ &= \widehat{D}_i(P_\omega^*(e(\widehat{\nu}))) \quad \text{by (6)} \\ &= \widehat{D}_i(e(\nu)). \end{aligned}$$

This proves the lemma.  $\square$

## 2. The Demazure-Hansen desingularizations revisited

In this section we elaborate on the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant Demazure-Hansen desingularizations of the  $\langle \omega \rangle$ -invariant Schubert varieties and the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant sheaves on these varieties. For that we will desingularize the Schubert variety  $X(w)$ ,  $w \in W^\omega$ , by a Bott-Samelson variety  $X(w_{i_1}, \dots, w_{i_r})$  along the reduced decomposition of  $w$  in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ , and set up  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant Leray spectral sequences. We will also verify a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant Serre duality. These will be our main tool to compute the twining character of the Demazure modules.

### 2.1. The Schubert and the Bott-Samelson varieties

For each  $w \in W$ , let  $X(w)$  be the Zariski closure of an affine quotient  $B\dot{w}B/B$  (called a Bruhat cell) in the flag variety  $G/B$ . If  $y_1, \dots, y_n \in W$ , let  $X(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \{(g_1B, \dots, g_nB) \in (G/B)^n \mid g_{i-1}^{-1}g_i \in \overline{B\dot{y}_iB} \text{ for all } i\}$ , called a Bott-Samelson variety.

If  $M$  is a  $B$ -module, regard  $M$  as a  $B^n$ -module via the  $n$ -th projection  $B^n \rightarrow B$  and define an  $\mathcal{O}_{X(y_1, \dots, y_n)}$ -module  $\mathcal{L}(M) = \mathcal{L}_{X(y_1, \dots, y_n)}(M)$  by setting on each open set  $V$  of  $X(y_1, \dots, y_n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(V, \mathcal{L}(M)) &= \mathbf{Var}(q^{-1}(V), M)^B \\ &= \{f \in \mathbf{Var}(q^{-1}(V), M) \mid f(xb) = b^{-1}f(x) \text{ in } M \text{ for each } x \in q^{-1}(V) \text{ and } b \in B\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $q: \{(g_1, \dots, g_n) \in G^n \mid g_{i-1}^{-1}g_i \in \overline{B\dot{y}_iB} \text{ for all } i\} \rightarrow X(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is the quotient.

If  $J \subseteq I$ , let  $P_J$  be the standard parabolic subgroup of  $G$  associated to  $J$ , and let  $z_J$  be the longest element of the Weyl group  $W_J$  of  $P_J$ . Then  $X(z_J) = P_J/B$  is smooth, and hence also  $X(z_{J_1}, \dots, z_{J_n})$  is smooth for subsets  $J_1, \dots, J_n \subset I$  (cf. [Ja, II.13.5–6]). Due to Andersen, Ramanan-Ramanathan, and Seshadri (cf. [Ja, II.14.15.a]), the Schubert variety  $X(z_{J_1} \cdots z_{J_n})$  is normal. Put for simplicity  $z_i = z_{J_i}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $z = z_1 \cdots z_n$ , and  $X = X(z_1, \dots, z_n)$ .

**Lemma 2.1.1.** *For each  $i \in [0, n]$ , let  $X_i = X(z_1, \dots, z_i)$  and  ${}_iX = X(z_{i+1}, \dots, z_n)$  with  $X_0 = X(1) = {}_nX$ . If  $M$  is a  $B$ -module with  $H^j(X(z_i), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_i)}(H^0({}_iX, \mathcal{L}_{{}_iX}(M)))) = 0$  for all  $i \in [1, n]$  and  $j \geq 1$ , then  $H^j(X, \mathcal{L}_X(M)) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Define  $\pi_{ij} \in \mathbf{Var}(X_j, X_i)$  for each  $i, j$  with  $0 \leq i < j \leq n$  by

$$(g_1B, \dots, g_iB, g_{i+1}B, \dots, g_jB) \mapsto (g_1B, \dots, g_iB).$$

Thus  $\pi_{i_1, i_2} \circ \pi_{i_2, i_3} = \pi_{i_1, i_3} : X_{i_3} \rightarrow X_{i_1}$  if  $0 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 \leq n$ . Put  ${}_iM = H^0({}_iX, \mathcal{L}_{{}_iX}(M))$  for each  $i \in [0, n]$ . By the hypothesis and by [Ja, II.14.1(4)] we have

$$R^j(\pi_{i-1, i}^* \mathcal{L}_{X_i}({}_iM)) \simeq \mathcal{L}_{X_{i-1}}(H^j(X(z_i), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_i)}({}_iM))) = 0 \quad \text{for all } j \geq 1,$$

hence the Leray spectral sequence  $H^k(X_{i-1}, R^j(\pi_{i-1, i}^* \mathcal{L}_{X_i}({}_iM))) \Rightarrow H^{k+j}(X_i, \mathcal{L}_{X_i}({}_iM))$  degenerates to yield

$$H^j(X_{i-1}, (\pi_{i-1, i}^* \mathcal{L}_{X_i}({}_iM))) \simeq H^j(X_i, \mathcal{L}_{X_i}({}_iM)).$$

Since  $\mathcal{L}_{X_i}({}_iM) \simeq (\pi_{in})^* \mathcal{L}_X(M)$  again by [Ja, II.14.1(4)], we obtain further

$$H^j(X_i, (\pi_{in})^* \mathcal{L}_X(M)) \simeq H^j(X_{i-1}, (\pi_{i-1, i}^* \mathcal{L}_{X_i}({}_iM)) \simeq H^j(X_{i-1}, (\pi_{i-1, n})^* \mathcal{L}_X(M)),$$

and hence

$$H^j(X, \mathcal{L}_X(M)) \simeq H^j(X_{n-1}, (\pi_{n-1, n})^* \mathcal{L}_X(M)) \simeq H^j(X_0, (\pi_{0n})^* \mathcal{L}_X(M)).$$

The last term vanishes for all  $j \geq 1$  by the Grothendieck vanishing theorem since  $X_0 = X(1)$  is a point. This proves the lemma.  $\square$

## 2.2. Cohomology vanishing

Keep the notation of §2.1, but assume that  $\ell(z) = \ell(z_1) + \cdots + \ell(z_n)$ . Let  $\phi: X \rightarrow X(z)$  be the restriction to  $X$  of the  $n$ -th projection  $(G/B)^n \rightarrow G/B$ , which is a Demazure-Hansen desingularization of  $X(z)$  (cf. [Ja, II.13.5(7),(8)]). As the Schubert variety  $X(z)$  is normal, it follows from [Ja, II.14.5] that

$$\phi_* \mathcal{O}_X \simeq \mathcal{O}_{X(z)}. \quad (8)$$

Let  $M$  be a finite-dimensional  $B$ -module. We have from [Ja, Remark in I.5.17] that

$$\phi^* \mathcal{L}_{X(z)}(M) \simeq \mathcal{L}_X(M). \quad (9)$$

The sheaf  $\mathcal{L}_{X(z)}(M)$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{X(z)}$ -modules is locally free of finite rank (cf. [Ja, I.5.16(2)]), and hence

$$\begin{aligned} R^\bullet \phi_* \mathcal{L}_X(M) &\simeq R^\bullet \phi_*(\phi^* \mathcal{L}_{X(z)}(M)) \quad \text{by (9)} \\ &\simeq (R^\bullet \phi_* \mathcal{O}_X) \otimes_{X(z)} \mathcal{L}_{X(z)}(M) \quad \text{by the projection formula [Ja, II.14.6(2)]}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_* \mathcal{L}_X(M) &\simeq (\phi_* \mathcal{O}_X) \otimes_{X(z)} \mathcal{L}_{X(z)}(M) \\ &\simeq \mathcal{L}_{X(z)}(M) \quad \text{by (8)}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Taking the global sections of these yields

$$H^0(X, \mathcal{L}_X(M)) \simeq H^0(X(z), \mathcal{L}_{X(z)}(M)), \quad (11)$$

which is finite-dimensional over  $\mathbb{C}$  by Serre's theorem.

For  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ , we let  $\mathbb{C}_\lambda$  denote the one-dimensional  $B$ -module over  $\mathbb{C}$  on which  $B$  acts via  $\lambda$  through the quotient  $B \rightarrow T$ . Note that if  $\lambda \in \Lambda^\omega$ , then by letting  $\langle \omega \rangle$  act trivially on  $\mathbb{C}_\lambda$  we have  $\omega \cdot (bv) = bv = \omega(b)v = \omega(b)(\omega \cdot v)$  on  $\mathbb{C}_\lambda$  for each  $b \in B$  and  $v \in \mathbb{C}_\lambda$ . Now [Ja, II.14.15] generalizes as follows.

**Theorem 2.2.1.** *Let  $z = z_1 \cdots z_n$  with  $\ell(z) = \ell(z_1) + \cdots + \ell(z_n)$  and  $X = X(z_1, \dots, z_n)$ .*

- (i)  *$R^j \phi_* \mathcal{O}_X = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$ .*
- (ii) *If  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+$ , then  $H^j(X, \mathcal{L}_X(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$ .*
- (iii) *If  $\mathcal{M}$  is a locally free  $\mathcal{O}_{X(z)}$ -module of finite rank, then we have  $H^\bullet(X(z), \mathcal{M}) \simeq H^\bullet(X, \phi^* \mathcal{M})$ .*

*Proof.* We will argue only for (ii). The rest follow just as in [Ja, II.14.15]. By Lemma 2.1.1 we have only to check that all  $H^j(X(z_i), \mathcal{L}(H^0(iX, \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))))$  vanish for  $i \in [1, n]$  and  $j \geq 1$ . We will suppress the obvious subscript from  $\mathcal{L}$ . Let  $z_i = r_{i(1)} \cdots r_{i(a)}$  (resp.  $z_{i+1} \cdots z_n = r_{i(a+1)} \cdots r_{i(b)}$ ) be a reduced expression of  $z_i$  (resp.  $z_{i+1} \cdots z_n$ ) in the Coxeter system  $(W, \{r_k \mid k \in I\})$ . If  $\phi_i: X(r_{i(1)}, \dots, r_{i(a)}) \rightarrow X(z_i)$  is the desingularization, then

$$\begin{aligned} H^j(X(z_i), \mathcal{L}(H^0(iX, \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)))) &\simeq H^j(X(z_i), \mathcal{L}(H^0(X(z_{i+1} \cdots z_n), \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)))) \quad \text{by (11)} \\ &\simeq H^j(X(r_{i(1)}, \dots, r_{i(a)}), \phi_i^* \mathcal{L}(H^0(X(z_{i+1} \cdots z_n), \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)))) \quad \text{by [Ja, II.14.15.c]} \\ &\simeq H^j(X(r_{i(1)}, \dots, r_{i(a)}), \mathcal{L}(H^0(X(z_{i+1} \cdots z_n), \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)))) \quad \text{by (9)} \\ &\simeq H^j(X(r_{i(1)}, \dots, r_{i(a)}), \mathcal{L}(H^0(X(r_{i(a+1)}, \dots, r_{i(b)}), \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)))) \quad \text{by (11) again} \\ &\simeq H^j(X(r_{i(1)}, \dots, r_{i(a)}), (\pi_{ab})_* \mathcal{L}_{X(r_{i(1)}, \dots, r_{i(b)})}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)) \quad \text{by [Ja, II.14.1(4)]}, \end{aligned}$$

the last term of which belongs to the setup of [Ja, II.14.15], and hence vanishes for all  $j \geq 1$ .  $\square$

Going back to the setup of §1, let  $w = w_{i_1} \cdots w_{i_n}$  be a reduced expression of  $w \in W^\omega$  in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ . Since  $\ell(w) = \ell(w_{i_1}) + \cdots + \ell(w_{i_n})$  by Lemma 1.3.1, we obtain

**Corollary 2.2.2.** *If  $M$  is a finite-dimensional rational  $B$ -module, then*

$$H^\bullet(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M)) \simeq H^\bullet(X(w_{i_1}, \dots, w_{i_n}), \mathcal{L}_{X(w_{i_1}, \dots, w_{i_n})}(M)).$$

### 2.3. $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant spectral sequences

If  $M$  is a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module, then  $\mathcal{L}(M) = \mathcal{L}_{G/B}(M)$  carries a structure of  $\langle \omega \rangle$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{O}_{G/B}$ -module given by  $\theta_\omega \in \mathbf{Mod}_{G/B}(\mathcal{L}(M), \omega_* \mathcal{L}(M))$  such that

$$f \mapsto \omega^{-1} \circ f \circ \omega, \quad f \in \mathcal{L}(M)(V) = \mathbf{Var}(q^{-1}(V), M)^B \quad (12)$$

for each open  $V$  of  $G/B$ , where  $q: G \rightarrow G/B$  is the quotient. On the other hand,  $\mathcal{L}(M)$  has the standard  $G$ -equivariant structure  $\psi \in \mathbf{Mod}_{G \times G/B}(a^* \mathcal{L}(M), p^* \mathcal{L}(M))$ , where  $a: G \times G/B \rightarrow G/B$  is the  $G$ -action on  $G/B$  given by the multiplication from the left and  $p: G \times G/B \rightarrow G/B$  is the projection. If  $\psi' \in \mathbf{Mod}_{G/B}(\mathcal{L}(M), a_* p^* \mathcal{L}(M))$  is the adjoint of  $\psi$ , the two structures are intertwined by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{L}(M) & \xrightarrow{\psi'} & a_* p^* \mathcal{L}(M) & \xlongequal{\quad} & a_*(\mathcal{O}_G \boxtimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{L}(M)) \\ \theta_\omega \downarrow & & & & \downarrow a_*(\omega^\# \boxtimes_{\mathbb{C}} \theta_\omega) \\ \omega_* \mathcal{L}(M) & \xrightarrow{\omega_* \psi'} & \omega_* a_* p^* \mathcal{L}(M) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & a_*(\omega \times \omega)_* p^* \mathcal{L}(M) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & a_*(\omega_* \mathcal{O}_G \boxtimes_{\mathbb{C}} \omega_* \mathcal{L}(M)). \end{array}$$

Thus, regarding  $\langle \omega \rangle$  as a reduced algebraic group over  $\mathbb{C}$  and forming a semi-direct product  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$  of algebraic groups,  $\mathcal{L}(M)$  comes equipped with a structure of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{O}_{G/B}$ -module (cf. [MFK, 1.3]).

Now let  $w \in W^\omega$  and let  $w = w_{i_1} \cdots w_{i_n}$  be a reduced expression in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ . Put for simplicity  $z_j = w_{i_j}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . By Lemma 1.3.1 we have  $\ell(w) = \ell(z_1) + \cdots + \ell(z_n)$ , so that we may apply the results of §2.2. By our choice of a lift of each  $z_j$  in  $N_G(T)^\omega$ , the Bott-Samelson variety  $X = X(z_1, \dots, z_n)$  admits a  $\langle \omega \rangle$ -action, and the desingularization  $\phi: X(z_1, \dots, z_n) \rightarrow X(w)$  is  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant. Let  $M$  be a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module. Then the isomorphisms  $\phi^* \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M) \simeq \mathcal{L}_X(M)$  from (9) and  $\phi_* \mathcal{L}_X(M) \simeq \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M)$  from (10) are both  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant. By the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariance of the Leray spectral sequence induced by  $\phi$ , the isomorphism of Corollary 2.2.2

$$H^\bullet(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M)) \simeq H^\bullet(X(z_1, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1, \dots, z_n)}(M)) \quad (13)$$

is  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant.

If  $\pi_1: X(z_1, \dots, z_n) \rightarrow X(z_1)$  is the projection onto the first factor, since  $\pi_1$  is  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant, the Leray spectral sequence

$$H^i(X(z_1), R^j \pi_{1*} \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1, \dots, z_n)}(M)) \Rightarrow H^{i+j}(X(z_1, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1, \dots, z_n)}(M)) \quad (14)$$

is  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant. Also, if we make  $\mathcal{L}_{X(z_1)}(H^0(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_2, \dots, z_n)}(M)))$  into a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant sheaf as in (12) by using the  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -module structure on  $H^0(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_2, \dots, z_n)}(M))$ , then the isomorphism (cf. [Ja, II.14.1(4)])

$$\mathcal{L}_{X(z_1)}(H^0(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_2, \dots, z_n)}(M))) \simeq \pi_{1*} \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1, \dots, z_n)}(M) \quad (15)$$

is  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant via the correspondence

$$f \mapsto \tilde{f} \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{f}(x, y) = f(x)(y), \quad (16)$$

where  $f \in \mathbf{Var}(q^{-1}(V), H^0(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_2, \dots, z_n)}(M)))^B$  with  $q: P_{I_{i_1}}(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow X(z_1)$  the quotient and  $V$  an open of  $X(z_1)$ , and  $\tilde{f} \in \mathbf{Var}(q^{-1}(V) \times_{\mathbb{C}} V(z_2, \dots, z_n), M)^{B \times_{\mathbb{C}} B^{r-1}}$  with  $V(z_2, \dots, z_n) = \{(g_2, \dots, g_n) \in G^{n-1} \mid g_{i-1}^{-1} g_i \in B z_i B \text{ for all } i\}$ . Taking the derived functors, we obtain a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant isomorphism

$$R^\bullet \pi_{1*} \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1, \dots, z_n)}(M) \simeq \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1)}(H^\bullet(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_2, \dots, z_n)}(M))),$$

and hence a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant spectral sequence

$$H^i(X(z_1), \mathcal{L}(H^j(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}(M)))) \Rightarrow H^{i+j}(X(z_1, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}(M)). \quad (17)$$

#### 2.4. $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant Serre duality

Now let  $P = P_J$  be a standard parabolic subgroup of  $G$  with  $J$  an  $\omega$ -invariant subset of  $I$ . Let  $\Omega_{P/B}^1$  be the  $\mathcal{O}_{P/B}$ -module of the 1-differentials over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\Omega_{P/B}^n = \bigwedge_{P/B}^n \Omega_{P/B}^1$  with  $n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(P/B)$ . The  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes P$ -action on  $P/B$  makes  $\Omega_{P/B}^n$  into a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes P$ -equivariant, a fortiori,  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{O}_{P/B}$ -module. If  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{O}_{P/B}$ -module that is locally free of finite rank over  $\mathcal{O}_{P/B}$ , we will need a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant Serre duality

$$H^i(P/B, \mathcal{M}^\vee \otimes_{P/B} \Omega_{P/B}^n) \simeq H^{n-i}(P/B, \mathcal{M})^* \quad \text{for all } i \in [0, n], \quad (18)$$

where  $\mathcal{M}^\vee = \text{Mod}_{P/B}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{O}_{P/B})$  and  $H^{n-i}(P/B, \mathcal{M})^*$  is the dual  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -module of  $H^{n-i}(P/B, \mathcal{M})$ .

Put for simplicity  $X = P/B$ . The plain (nonequivariant) Serre duality asserts that the Yoneda-Cartier pairing (cf. [AK, IV, Th. (1.1)], [Iv, I.8])

$$\text{Ext}_X^i(\mathcal{M}, \Omega_X^n) \times H^{n-i}(X, \mathcal{M}) \rightarrow H^n(X, \Omega_X^n)$$

is perfect. The standard argument verifies the pairing to be  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant, which yields a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariant isomorphism  $H^{n-i}(X, \mathcal{M}) \simeq H^i(X, \mathcal{M}^\vee \otimes_X \Omega_X^n)^* \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} H^n(X, \Omega_X^n)$ . Thus the  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -equivariance of (18) will be a consequence of the triviality of the  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes B$ -action on  $H^n(X, \Omega_X^n)$ . Note that the  $\omega$ -action on  $\Omega_X^n$  is not trivial (cf. (19) and (27) below).

To see the triviality of the action on  $H^n(X, \Omega_X^n)$ , take a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes P$ -module  $V$  and a  $\langle \omega \rangle \rtimes P$ -equivariant closed immersion  $\iota: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(V)$ ; for example, a simple rational  $P$ -module of a sufficiently dominant  $\omega$ -fixed highest weight will do. Set  $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}(V)$ ,  $v = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{P}$ , and  $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v = \bigwedge_{\mathbb{P}}^v \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^1$ . Since  $\mathbf{Var}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{P})^\times \simeq PGL(V)$  (cf. [Ha, II, Example

7.1]) and since  $H^v(\mathbb{P}, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v)$  is one-dimensional,  $PGL(V)$  acts trivially on  $H^v(\mathbb{P}, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v)$ , so therefore does  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ . On the other hand, the isomorphism of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules (cf. [AK, I, Th. (4.6)])

$$\Omega_X^n \simeq \iota^* \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathbb{P}}^r(\iota_* \mathcal{O}_X, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v) \quad \text{with } r = v - n$$

is  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ -equivariant, and the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear isomorphism (cf. [Ha, III, Lemma 7.4])

$$\varepsilon: \mathbf{Mod}_X(\Omega_X^n, \iota^* \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathbb{P}}^r(\iota_* \mathcal{O}_X, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{P}}^r(\iota_* \Omega_X^n, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v)$$

is  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ -equivariant. In the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{P}}^r(\iota_* \Omega_X^n, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v) \times H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H^v(\mathbb{P}, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v) \\ \uparrow \scriptstyle \varepsilon \times H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n) & & \uparrow \\ \mathbf{Mod}_X(\Omega_X^n, \iota^* \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathbb{P}}^r(\iota_* \mathcal{O}_X, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v)) \times H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n) & & \\ \uparrow \scriptstyle \sim & & \\ \mathbf{Mod}_X(\Omega_X^n, \Omega_X^n) \times H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n) & \xleftarrow{\text{id}_{\Omega_X^n} \times H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n)} & H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n) \end{array}$$

we have  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^v(\mathbb{P}, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v) = 1 = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n)$  and the top horizontal map is a perfect pairing, hence the right vertical map is bijective. Since  $\text{id}_{\Omega_X^n}$  is obviously  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ -equivariant, its image in  $\text{Ext}_{\mathbb{P}}^r(\iota_* \Omega_X^n, \Omega_{\mathbb{P}}^v)$  is fixed under  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ , and hence the right vertical isomorphism is  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ -equivariant. It follows that  $H^n(X, \Omega_X^n) \simeq H^n(\mathbb{P}, \iota_* \Omega_X^n)$  must be a trivial  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ -module, as desired.

Note finally that we have an isomorphism of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P$ -equivariant  $\mathcal{O}_{P/B}$ -modules

$$\Omega_{P/B}^1 \simeq \mathcal{L}_{P/B}((\text{Lie}(P)/\text{Lie}(B))^*), \quad (19)$$

and hence the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant Serre duality (18) reads, for each  $i \in [0, n]$ , as

$$H^i(P/B, \mathcal{M}^\vee \otimes_{P/B} \mathcal{L}_{P/B}(\bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^n (\text{Lie}(P)/\text{Lie}(B))^*)) \simeq H^{n-i}(P/B, \mathcal{M})^*. \quad (20)$$

### 3. Twining character formula for Demazure modules

Resume the setup of §2. Fix  $w \in W^\omega$  and let  $X(w)$  be the associated Schubert variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ . For a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module  $M$ , the  $\omega$ -Euler characteristic  $\chi_w^\omega(M)$  is defined to be

$$\chi_w^\omega(M) = \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch}^\omega(H^j(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M))) \in \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega].$$

Let  $w = w_{i_1} \cdots w_{i_n}$  be a reduced expression of  $w \in W^\omega$  in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ . We will show in this section that

$$\chi_w^\omega(M) = \widehat{D}_{i_1} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n}(\text{ch}^\omega(M)),$$

where  $\widehat{D}_j$  for  $j = i_1, \dots, i_n$  is the  $\omega$ -Demazure operator defined in §1.4. In particular, we will obtain a twining character formula of the Demazure module  $H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))$  for  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+^\omega$ , where  $\mathbb{C}_\lambda$  is the one-dimensional  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module on which  $B$  acts by the weight  $\lambda$  through the quotient  $B \rightarrow T$  and  $\langle \omega \rangle$  trivially.

### 3.1. Formula for the $\omega$ -Euler characteristics

Set  $\widehat{D}_w = \widehat{D}_{i_1} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n}$ . Then we are to show

$$\chi_w^\omega(M) = \widehat{D}_w(\text{ch}^\omega(M)). \quad (21)$$

Let us first make some reductions. Since both sides of (21) are additive in  $M$ , replacing  $M$  by  $M^U = \{m \in M \mid u m = m \text{ for all } u \in U\}$ , we may assume that the unipotent radical  $U$  of the Borel subgroup  $B = T \ltimes U$  acts trivially on  $M$ . Consider the  $T$ -weight space decomposition  $M = \coprod_{\nu \in \Lambda} M_\nu$ . Let us denote by  $\Lambda/\langle\omega\rangle$  a complete set of representatives of the  $\langle\omega\rangle$ -orbits in  $\Lambda$ , and set for each  $\mu \in \Lambda/\langle\omega\rangle$ ,

$$M^{(\mu)} = \coprod_{\nu \in \langle\omega\rangle \cdot \mu} M_\nu.$$

Then we have a direct sum decomposition of  $M$

$$M = \coprod_{\mu \in \Lambda/\langle\omega\rangle} M^{(\mu)}.$$

Note that each  $M^{(\mu)}$  is a  $\langle\omega\rangle \ltimes B$ -submodule of  $M$ , and that both sides of (21) vanish on  $M^{(\mu)}$  unless  $\mu \in \Lambda^\omega$  (in which case  $M^{(\mu)} = M_\mu$ ). Moreover, since  $\omega^N = 1$ , the action of  $\omega$  on  $M_\mu$  for  $\mu \in \Lambda^\omega$  is semi-simple. Hence, by the additivity in  $M$  of both sides of (21), we may assume that  $M$  is one-dimensional of weight  $\mu \in \Lambda^\omega$  on which  $\omega$  is acting by a scalar  $\zeta^k$  for a primitive  $N$ -th root of unity  $\zeta$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We will denote such  $M$  by  $\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}$ . Thus we are reduced to showing that

$$\chi_w^\omega(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) = \widehat{D}_w(\text{ch}^\omega(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})), \quad (22)$$

where  $\text{ch}^\omega(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) = \zeta^k e(\mu)$ .

Put for simplicity  $z_j = w_{i_j}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . From §2.3 we have an isomorphism (13) of  $\langle\omega\rangle \ltimes B$ -modules

$$H^\bullet(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})) \simeq H^\bullet(X(z_1, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1, \dots, z_n)}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})), \quad (23)$$

and for each  $s \in [1, n-1]$ , a  $\langle\omega\rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant spectral sequence (17)

$$H^i(X(z_s), \mathcal{L}(H^j(X(z_{s+1}, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})))) \Rightarrow H^{i+j}(X(z_s, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})). \quad (24)$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_w^\omega(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) &= \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch}^\omega(H^j(X(z_1, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_1, \dots, z_n)}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}))) \quad \text{by (23)} \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \left( \sum_{i \geq 0} (-1)^i \text{ch}^\omega(H^i(X(z_1), \mathcal{L}(H^j(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})))) \right) \quad \text{by (24)} \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \chi_{z_1}^\omega(H^j(X(z_2, \dots, z_n), \mathcal{L}_{X(z_2, \dots, z_n)}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}))). \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

We will prove (22) by induction on  $n$ . Now assume that  $n = 1$  and that  $w = w_i$  for some  $i \in \widehat{I}$ . So put  $J = I_i$  and let  $P = P_J$  be the standard parabolic subgroup of  $G$  associated to  $J$ . We are to show

$$\chi_{w_i}^\omega(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) = \widehat{D}_i(\zeta^k e(\mu)). \quad (26)$$

Assume first that  $\langle\mu, \alpha_i^\vee\rangle \geq 0$  (and hence that  $\langle\mu, \alpha_k^\vee\rangle \geq 0$  for all  $k \in J$ ). Let  $L_J(\mu)$  be the simple rational  $P_J$ -module of highest weight  $\mu$  admitting a  $\langle\omega\rangle$ -action as in §1.6, and let  $\zeta^k$  be the one-dimensional trivial  $P_J$ -module with  $\omega$  acting by the scalar  $\zeta^k$ .



**Lemma 3.1.1.** *Let the notation and assumption be as above. Then we have the following isomorphism of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P_J$ -modules.*

$$H^0(P_J/B, \mathcal{L}_{P_J/B}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})) \simeq L_J(\mu) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \zeta^k.$$

*Proof.* The left-hand side realizes a simple rational  $P_J$ -module of highest weight  $\mu$  (cf. [Ja, I.6.11 and II.4.6]). Since  $\omega$  acts on its (nonzero) highest weight vector by the scalar  $\zeta^k$  (cf. [Ja, II.2.6]), the assertion follows.  $\square$

Now we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{w_i}^{\omega}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) &= \text{ch}^{\omega}(H^0(P/B, \mathcal{L}_{P/B}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}))) \quad \text{by Kempf's vanishing theorem [Ja, II.4.5]} \\ &= \text{ch}^{\omega}(L_J(\mu) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \zeta^k) \quad \text{by Lemma 3.1.1} \\ &= \zeta^k \text{ch}^{\omega}(L_J(\mu)) \\ &= \zeta^k \widehat{D}_i(e(\mu)) \quad \text{by Lemma 1.6.1} \\ &= \widehat{D}_i(\zeta^k e(\mu)). \end{aligned}$$

If  $\langle \mu, \alpha_i^{\vee} \rangle = -1$  (and hence  $\langle \mu, \alpha_k^{\vee} \rangle = -1$  for all  $k \in J$ ), then both sides of (26) vanish (cf. [Ja, II.5.5]).

Assume finally that  $\langle \mu, \alpha_i^{\vee} \rangle \leq -2$  (and hence that  $\langle \mu, \alpha_k^{\vee} \rangle \leq -2$  for all  $k \in J$ ). Set  $\rho_J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_J^+} \alpha$  with  $\Delta_J^+ = \Delta_+ \cap \sum_{k \in J} \mathbb{Z} \alpha_k$  the positive root system of  $P_J$ . By direct checking (see the proof of [N3, Prop. 3.2.2]), using the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes T$ -module isomorphism  $(\text{Lie}(P)/\text{Lie}(B))^* \simeq \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta_J^+} \mathbb{C} f_{\alpha}$ , we see that as  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -modules,

$$\bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^{\ell(w_i)} (\text{Lie}(P)/\text{Lie}(B))^* \simeq \mathbb{C}_{-2\rho_J, 0} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} (-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1}, \quad (27)$$

where  $\ell(w_i) = \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(P/B)$  and  $(-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1}$  is the one-dimensional  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module with  $B$  acting trivially and  $\omega$  by the scalar  $(-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1}$ . Then the  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant Serre duality (20) reads

$$\begin{aligned} H^j(P/B, \mathcal{L}_{P/B}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}))^* &\simeq H^{\ell(w_i)-j}(P/B, \mathcal{L}_{P/B}(\mathbb{C}_{-\mu-2\rho_J, -k} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} (-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1})) \\ &\simeq \begin{cases} H^0(P/B, \mathcal{L}_{P/B}(\mathbb{C}_{-\mu-2\rho_J, -k})) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} (-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1} & \text{if } j = \ell(w_i), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise (by Kempf).} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

**Lemma 3.1.2.** *Let  $J$  be an  $\omega$ -invariant subset of  $I$ ,  $w_J$  the longest element of the Weyl group  $W_J$  of  $P_J$ , and let  $\nu \in \Lambda^{\omega}$  be such that  $\langle \nu, \alpha_k^{\vee} \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $k \in J$ . Then we have the following isomorphism of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes P_J$ -modules.*

$$L_J(\nu)^* \simeq L_J(-w_J(\nu)).$$

*Proof.* Note that a (nonzero) highest weight vector  $v_+^*$  of the dual module  $L_J(\nu)^*$  is the dual element of a lowest weight vector  $\dot{w}_J v_+$  of  $L_J(\nu)$ , with  $v_+$  a (nonzero) highest weight vector of  $L_J(\nu)$ . Since  $w_J \in W^{\omega}$  is fixed by  $\omega$  (cf. Remark 1.3.2), so is  $\dot{w}_J v_+$ , and hence also  $v_+^* \in L_J(\nu)^*$ . This proves the lemma.  $\square$

The isomorphism (28) together with Lemmas 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 implies that, as  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -modules,

$$\begin{aligned} H^{\ell(w_i)}(P/B, \mathcal{L}_{P/B}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})) &\simeq \left( L_J(-\mu - 2\rho_J)^* \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \zeta^k \right) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} (-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1} \\ &\simeq L_J(w_i(\mu + 2\rho_J)) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \zeta^k \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} (-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

Then, setting  $\widehat{\mu} = (P_{\omega}^*)^{-1}(\mu)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{w_i}^{\omega}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) &= (-1)^{\ell(w_i)} \text{ch}^{\omega}(L_J(w_i(\mu + 2\rho_J)) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \zeta^k \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} (-1)^{\ell(w_i)-1}) \quad \text{by (29)} \\ &= -\zeta^k \text{ch}^{\omega}(L_J(w_i(\mu + 2\rho_J))) \\ &= -\zeta^k \widehat{D}_i(e(w_i(\mu + 2\rho_J))) \quad \text{by Lemma 1.6.1} \\ &= -\zeta^k \left( P_{\omega}^* \circ D_{\widehat{r}_i} \circ (P_{\omega}^*)^{-1} \right)(e(w_i(\mu + 2\rho_J))) \quad \text{by (6)} \\ &= -\zeta^k \left( P_{\omega}^* \circ D_{\widehat{r}_i} \right)(e(\widehat{r}_i(\widehat{\mu} + \widehat{\alpha}_i))) \quad \text{since } (P_{\omega}^*)^{-1}(2\rho_J) = \widehat{\alpha}_i \\ &= -\zeta^k P_{\omega}^*(-D_{\widehat{r}_i}(e(\widehat{\mu}))) \\ &= \zeta^k \left( \widehat{D}_i \circ P_{\omega}^* \right)(e(\widehat{\mu})) \quad \text{by (6)} \\ &= \zeta^k \widehat{D}_i(e(\mu)) \\ &= \widehat{D}_i(\zeta^k e(\mu)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus in all cases (26) holds, and hence

$$\chi_{w_i}^{\omega}(M) = \widehat{D}_i(\text{ch}^{\omega}(M)) \quad (30)$$

holds for any  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module  $M$ .

Now let us return to the original setup, and let  $w = w_{i_1} \cdots w_{i_n}$  be a reduced expression of  $w \in W^{\omega}$  in the Coxeter system  $(W^{\omega}, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ . Then we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_w^{\omega}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) &= \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \chi_{w_{i_1}}^{\omega}(H^j(X(w_{i_2}, \dots, w_{i_n}), \mathcal{L}_{X(w_{i_2}, \dots, w_{i_n})}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}))) \quad \text{by (25)} \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \widehat{D}_{i_1} \left( \text{ch}^{\omega}(H^j(X(w_{i_2}, \dots, w_{i_n}), \mathcal{L}_{X(w_{i_2}, \dots, w_{i_n})}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}))) \right) \quad \text{by (30)} \\ &= \widehat{D}_{i_1} \left( \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch}^{\omega}(H_j(X(w_{i_2}, \dots, w_{i_n}), \mathcal{L}_{X(w_{i_2}, \dots, w_{i_n})}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}))) \right) \\ &= \widehat{D}_{i_1} \left( \chi_{w_{i_2} \cdots w_{i_n}}^{\omega}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Here, since  $\widehat{\ell}(w_{i_2} \cdots w_{i_n}) = n - 1$ , we have by the induction hypothesis that

$$\chi_{w_{i_2} \cdots w_{i_n}}^{\omega}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) = \widehat{D}_{i_2} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n}(\text{ch}^{\omega}(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})).$$

Therefore, we finally obtain that

$$\chi_w^\omega(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k}) = \widehat{D}_{i_1} \widehat{D}_{i_2} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n}(\text{ch}^\omega(\mathbb{C}_{\mu,k})),$$

proving (22) and hence (21).

If  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+^\omega$ , then for any Schubert variety  $X(w)$ ,

$$H^j(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\lambda)) = 0 \quad \text{for all } j \geq 1$$

by the Demazure vanishing theorem [Ja, II.14.15] of Andersen, Mehta-Ramanathan, Ramanan-Ramanathan, and Seshadri (cf. also [Kan]). Hence we have obtained

$$\chi_w^\omega(M) = \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch}^\omega(H^j(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(M))) = \widehat{D}_w(\text{ch}^\omega(M)) \in \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$$

for a finite-dimensional rational  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -module  $M$  and  $w \in W^\omega$ , and in particular,

$$\text{ch}^\omega(H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))) = \widehat{D}_w(e(\lambda))$$

for  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+^\omega$ . Namely, we have proved Theorem 0.1 in the introduction.

Theorem 0.1 reveals that there exists a striking relation between the  $\omega$ -Euler characteristic  $\chi_w^\omega(\mathbb{C}_\lambda) \in \mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0]$  for  $\mathfrak{g}$  and the ordinary Euler characteristic for the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ . To state the relation, we need some notation. Recall from Remark 1.2.1 that the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the dual Lie algebra  ${}^t(({}^t\mathfrak{g})^{t\omega})$  of the (semi-simple) fixed point subalgebra  $({}^t\mathfrak{g})^{t\omega} = \{x \in {}^t\mathfrak{g} \mid ({}^t\omega)(x) = x\}$  of  ${}^t\mathfrak{g}$  by  ${}^t\omega \in \text{Aut}({}^t\mathfrak{g})$ . Let  $\widehat{G}$  be a connected, simply connected semi-simple linear algebraic group over  $\mathbb{C}$  with maximal torus  $\widehat{T}$  and Borel subgroup  $\widehat{B} \supset \widehat{T}$  such that  $\text{Lie}(\widehat{G}) = \widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $\text{Lie}(\widehat{T}) = \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}$ , and  $\text{Lie}(\widehat{B}) = \widehat{\mathfrak{b}}$ . For  $\widehat{w} \in \widehat{W} \simeq N_{\widehat{G}}(\widehat{T})/\widehat{T}$ , we take a right coset representative  $\widehat{w} \in N_{\widehat{G}}(\widehat{T})$  of  $\widehat{w}$ , and define the Schubert variety  $\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  by

$$\widehat{X}(\widehat{w}) = \overline{\widehat{B}\widehat{w}\widehat{B}/\widehat{B}} = \overline{\widehat{B}\widehat{w}\widehat{B}}/\widehat{B} \subset \widehat{G}/\widehat{B}.$$

For each  $\widehat{\lambda} \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{L}_{\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})}(\mathbb{C}_{\widehat{\lambda}})$  the (locally free)  $\widehat{B}$ -equivariant sheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_{\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})}$ -modules associated to the one-dimensional  $\widehat{B}$ -module  $\mathbb{C}_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  on which  $\widehat{B}$  acts by the weight  $\widehat{\lambda}$  through the quotient  $\widehat{B} \rightarrow \widehat{T}$ .

Now we are ready to state the following

**Corollary 3.1.3.** *Let  $\lambda \in (\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0$  and  $w \in W^\omega$ . We set  $\widehat{\lambda} = (P_\omega^*)^{-1}(\lambda) \in \widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*$  and  $\widehat{w} = \Theta^{-1}(w) \in \widehat{W}$ . Then we have in the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0]$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_w^\omega(\mathbb{C}_\lambda) &= \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch}^\omega(H^j(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))) \\ &= P_\omega^* \left( \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch } H^j(\widehat{X}(\widehat{w}), \mathcal{L}_{\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})}(\mathbb{C}_{\widehat{\lambda}})) \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{ch } H^j(\widehat{X}(\widehat{w}), \mathcal{L}_{\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})}(\mathbb{C}_{\widehat{\lambda}})) \in \mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*]$  for  $j \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  is the ordinary character of the  $j$ -th cohomology group  $H^j(\widehat{X}(\widehat{w}), \mathcal{L}_{\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})}(\mathbb{C}_{\widehat{\lambda}}))$  of  $\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $w = w_{i_1} w_{i_2} \cdots w_{i_n}$  be a reduced expression of  $w \in W^\omega$  in the Coxeter system  $(W^\omega, \{w_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ . Then  $\widehat{w} = \Theta^{-1}(w) = \widehat{r}_{i_1} \widehat{r}_{i_2} \cdots \widehat{r}_{i_n}$  is a reduced expression of  $\widehat{w} \in \widehat{W}$  in the Coxeter system  $(\widehat{W}, \{\widehat{r}_i \mid i \in \widehat{I}\})$ . Hence, by the ordinary Demazure character formula [Ja, II.14.18] for the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ , we have in the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\widehat{\mathfrak{h}}_\mathbb{Z}^*]$ ,

$$\sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch } H^j(\widehat{X}(\widehat{w}), \mathcal{L}_{\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})}(\mathbb{C}_{\widehat{\lambda}})) = D_{\widehat{r}_{i_1}} D_{\widehat{r}_{i_2}} \cdots D_{\widehat{r}_{i_n}}(e(\widehat{\lambda})). \quad (31)$$

By applying  $P_\omega^*$  to both sides of the equality (31), we obtain in the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[(\mathfrak{h}_\mathbb{Z}^*)^0]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P_\omega^* \left( \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch } H^j(\widehat{X}(\widehat{w}), \mathcal{L}_{\widehat{X}(\widehat{w})}(\mathbb{C}_{\widehat{\lambda}})) \right) &= P_\omega^* \left( D_{\widehat{r}_{i_1}} D_{\widehat{r}_{i_2}} \cdots D_{\widehat{r}_{i_n}}(e(\widehat{\lambda})) \right) \quad \text{by (31)} \\ &= \widehat{D}_{i_1} \widehat{D}_{i_2} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n}(P_\omega^*(e(\widehat{\lambda}))) \quad \text{by (6)} \\ &= \widehat{D}_{i_1} \widehat{D}_{i_2} \cdots \widehat{D}_{i_n}(e(\lambda)) \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j \text{ch}^\omega(H^j(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))), \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is by Theorem 0.1. This proves the corollary.  $\square$

### 3.2. Joseph's modules

Let us finally return to Joseph's module  $J_w(\lambda)$  with  $w \in W^\omega$  and  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+^\omega$ . Thus let  $v_\lambda^*$  be a (nonzero) lowest weight vector of the dual module  $L(\lambda)^*$  (which is the dual element of a (nonzero) highest weight vector  $v_\lambda$  of  $L(\lambda)$ ), and let  $\dot{w} \in N_G(T)^\omega$  be a representative of  $w \in W^\omega$ . Since  $v_\lambda^*$  is fixed by  $\omega$ , so is  $\dot{w} v_\lambda^*$ . Joseph's module  $J_w(\lambda)$  of highest weight  $-w(\lambda)$  in  $L(\lambda)^*$  is defined to be

$$J_w(\lambda) = \mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{b})(\dot{w} v_\lambda^*) \subset L(\lambda)^*,$$

where  $\mathfrak{U}(\mathfrak{b})$  is the universal enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{b} = \text{Lie}(B)$ . Note that, since  $\omega \cdot (\dot{w} v_\lambda^*) = \dot{w} v_\lambda^*$ , Joseph's module  $J_w(\lambda)$  is a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -submodule of  $L(\lambda)^*$ . Moreover, since  $\dot{w}_0 v_\lambda^*$  is a (nonzero) highest weight vector of  $L(\lambda)^*$  fixed by  $\omega$ , there is an isomorphism of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -modules

$$L(\lambda)^* \simeq L(-w_0(\lambda)), \quad (32)$$

which enables us to regard  $J_w(\lambda)$  as a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -submodule of  $L(-w_0(\lambda))$ . Then we obtain a short exact sequence of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -modules

$$0 \leftarrow J_w(\lambda)^* \leftarrow L(-w_0(\lambda))^* \leftarrow J_w(\lambda)^\perp \leftarrow 0,$$

with  $J_w(\lambda)^\perp = \{\phi \in L(-w_0(\lambda))^* \mid \phi(J_w(\lambda)) = 0\}$ . On the other hand, Lemma 3.1.1 for the case  $J = I$  combined with (32) yields an isomorphism of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes G$ -modules

$$H^0(G/B, \mathcal{L}_{G/B}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)) \simeq L(-w_0(\lambda))^*.$$

Since the restriction map

$$H^0(G/B, \mathcal{L}_{G/B}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)) \rightarrow H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))$$

is a  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -equivariant surjection by [Ja, II.14.19], we obtain from [Ja, II.14.19(2)] a commutative diagram of short exact sequences of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -modules

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longleftarrow & J_w(\lambda)^* & \longleftarrow & L(-w_0(\lambda))^* & \longleftarrow & J_w(\lambda)^\perp \longleftarrow 0 \\ & & & & \sim \downarrow & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longleftarrow & H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)) & \longleftarrow & H^0(G/B, \mathcal{L}_{G/B}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)) & \longleftarrow & J_w(\lambda)^\perp \longleftarrow 0, \end{array}$$

and hence an isomorphism of  $\langle \omega \rangle \ltimes B$ -modules

$$J_w(\lambda)^* \simeq H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)),$$

or equivalently

$$J_w(\lambda) \simeq H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))^*. \quad (33)$$

Here we employ an elementary lemma from linear algebra.

**Lemma 3.2.1.** *Let  $S \in M(m, \mathbb{C})$  be an  $m \times m$  complex matrix such that  $\text{Tr}(S) \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that  $S^k = I_m$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ , where  $I_m$  is the identity matrix. Then we have that  $\text{Tr}(S^{-1}) = \text{Tr}(S)$ .*

We now define a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear conjugation  $\bar{\cdot} : \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$  by

$$\overline{\sum_{\mu \in \Lambda^\omega} a_\mu e(\mu)} = \sum_{\mu \in \Lambda^\omega} a_\mu e(-\mu) \quad \text{with } a_\mu \in \mathbb{C} \text{ for } \mu \in \Lambda^\omega.$$

**Theorem 3.2.2.** *Let  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+^\omega$  and  $w \in W^\omega$ . Then we have in  $\mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$ ,*

$$\text{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda)) = \overline{\text{ch}^\omega(H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)))}.$$

*Proof.* By (33), we get that

$$\text{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda)) = \sum_{\mu \in \Lambda^\omega} \text{Tr}((\omega^{-1})^*|_{(H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))^*)_\mu}) e(\mu),$$

where the linear operator  $(\omega^{-1})^* \in GL(H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))^*)$  is the transposed operator of  $\omega^{-1} \in GL(H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda)))$ , which represents  $\omega \in \langle \omega \rangle$  via the contragredient representation of  $\langle \omega \rangle$  on the dual space  $H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))^*$ . Here, by Corollary 3.1.3, we see that

$$\text{Tr}(\omega|_{H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))_\mu}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \quad \text{for all } \mu \in \Lambda^\omega.$$

In addition, for each  $\mu \in \Lambda^\omega$ , the  $\mu$ -weight space of  $H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))^*$  is naturally identified with the dual space  $\left(H^0(X(w), \mathcal{L}_{X(w)}(\mathbb{C}_\lambda))_{-\mu}\right)^*$ . Hence the assertion immediately follows from Lemma 3.2.1 since  $\omega^N = 1$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

By combining Theorems 0.1 and 3.2.2, we obtain the following

**Corollary 3.2.3.** *Let  $\lambda \in \Lambda_+^\omega$  and  $w \in W^\omega$ . Then we have in  $\mathbb{C}[\Lambda^\omega]$ ,*

$$\mathrm{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda)) = \overline{\widehat{D}_w(e(\lambda))}.$$

Finally, by combining Corollary 3.1.3 and Theorem 3.2.2, we obtain a remarkable relation between the twining character  $\mathrm{ch}^\omega(J_w(\lambda))$  of Joseph's module  $J_w(\lambda)$  for  $\mathfrak{g}$  and the ordinary character of Joseph's module for the orbit Lie algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Namely, we have Corollary 0.2 in the introduction.

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