

A combinatorial description of the affine Gindikin-Karpelevich formula of type $A_n^{(1)}$

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ABSTRACT. The classical Gindikin-Karpelevich formula appears in Langlands' calculation of the constant terms of Eisenstein series on reductive groups and in Macdonald's work on p -adic groups and affine Hecke algebras. The formula has been generalized in the work of Garland to the affine Kac-Moody case, and the affine case has been geometrically constructed in a recent paper of Braverman, Finkelberg, and Kazhdan. On the other hand, there have been efforts to write the formula as a sum over Kashiwara's crystal basis or Lusztig's canonical basis, initiated by Brubaker, Bump, and Friedberg. In this paper, we write the affine Gindikin-Karpelevich formula as a sum over the crystal of generalized Young walls when the underlying Kac-Moody algebra is of affine type $A_n^{(1)}$. The coefficients of the terms in the sum are determined explicitly by the combinatorial data from Young walls.

0. Introduction

The classical Gindikin-Karpelevich formula originated from a certain integration on real reductive groups [GK62]. When Langlands calculated the constant terms of Eisenstein series on reductive groups [Lan71], he considered a p -adic analogue of the integration and called the resulting formula the *Gindikin-Karpelevich formula*. In the case of GL_{n+1} , the formula can be described as follows: let F be a p -adic field with residue field of q elements and let N_- be the maximal unipotent subgroup of $\mathrm{GL}_{n+1}(F)$ with maximal torus T . Let f° denote the standard spherical vector corresponding to an unramified character χ of T , let $T(\mathbf{C})$ be the maximal torus in the L -group $\mathrm{GL}_{n+1}(\mathbf{C})$ of $\mathrm{GL}_{n+1}(F)$, and let $z \in T(\mathbf{C})$ be the element corresponding to χ via the Satake isomorphism. Then the Gindikin-Karpelevich

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formula is given by

$$(0.1) \quad \int_{N_-(F)} f^\circ(\mathbf{n}) \, d\mathbf{n} = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \frac{1 - q^{-1}z^\alpha}{1 - z^\alpha},$$

where Δ^+ is the set of positive roots of $\mathrm{GL}_{n+1}(\mathbf{C})$. The formula appears in Macdonald's study on p -adic groups and affine Hecke algebras as well [Mac71], and the product side of (0.1) is also known as Macdonald's c -function.

In the paper [Gar04], Garland generalized Langlands' calculation to affine Kac-Moody groups and obtained an affine Gindikin-Karpelevich formula as a product over $\Delta^+ \cap w^{-1}(\Delta^-)$ for each $w \in W$, where Δ^+ (resp. Δ^-) is the set of positive (resp. negative) roots of the corresponding affine Kac-Moody algebra and W is the Weyl group. In a recent paper of Braverman, Finkelberg, and Kazhdan [BFK12], the authors interpreted the classical Gindikin-Karpelevich formula in a geometric way, and generalized the formula to affine Kac-Moody groups and obtained another version of affine Gindikin-Karpelevich formula, which has an additional "correction factor" in the product side.

On the other hand, in the works of Brubaker, Bump and Friedberg [BBF11], Bump and Nakasuji [BN10], and McNamara [McN11], the product side of the classical Gindikin-Karpelevich formula in type A_n was written as a sum over the crystal $\mathcal{B}(\infty)$. (For the definition of a crystal, see [HK02, Kas02].) More precisely, they proved

$$\prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \frac{1 - q^{-1}z^\alpha}{1 - z^\alpha} = \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}(\infty)} G_{\mathbf{i}}^{(e)}(b) q^{\langle \mathrm{wt}(b), \rho \rangle} z^{-\mathrm{wt}(b)},$$

where ρ is the half-sum of the positive roots, $\mathrm{wt}(b)$ is the weight of b , and the coefficients $G_{\mathbf{i}}^{(e)}(b)$ are defined using so-called BZL paths or Kashiwara's parametrization. As shown in [KL11] by H. Kim and K.-H. Lee, one can also choose a reduced word for the longest element of the Weyl group and use Lusztig's parametrization of canonical bases ([Lus90, Lus91]), and the product can be written as

$$(0.2) \quad \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \frac{1 - q^{-1}z^\alpha}{1 - z^\alpha} = \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}(\infty)} (1 - q^{-1})^{\mathcal{N}(\phi_{\mathbf{i}}(b))} z^{-\mathrm{wt}(b)},$$

where $\mathcal{N}(\phi_{\mathbf{i}}(b))$ is the number of nonzero entries in Lusztig's parametrization $\phi_{\mathbf{i}}(b)$. The equation (0.2) was proved for all finite roots systems Δ , and was generalized in a subsequent paper [KL12] to the affine Kac-Moody case using the results of Beck, Chari, and Pressley [BCP99] and Beck and Nakajima [BN04] on PBW-type bases. The parametrizations of basis elements in simply-laced affine cases can be found in [BCP99, Theorem 3]. We will call them *canonical parametrizations*.

The use of crystals connects the Gindikin-Karpelevich formula to combinatorial representation theory, since much work has been done on realizations of crystals through various combinatorial objects (e.g., [Kam10, Kan03, KN94, KS97, Lit95]). Indeed, for type A_n , K.-H. Lee and Salisbury [LS12] expressed the right side of (0.2) as a sum over marginally large Young tableaux using J. Hong and H. Lee's [HL08] description of $\mathcal{B}(\infty)$ and the coefficients were determined by a simple statistic $\mathrm{seg}(b)$ of the tableau b . Furthermore, the meaning of $\mathrm{seg}(b)$ was studied in the frameworks of Kamnitzer's MV polytope model [Kam10] and Kashiwara-Saito's geometric realization [KS97] of the crystal $\mathcal{B}(\infty)$. The segment statistic was then generalized to types B_n , C_n , D_n , and G_2 in [LS14].

The goal of this paper is to extend this approach to affine type $A_n^{(1)}$ through generalized Young walls. The notion of a Young wall was first introduced by Kang [Kan03] in his extensive study of affine crystals. In the case of $\mathcal{B}(\infty)$ in type $A_n^{(1)}$, J.-A. Kim and D.-U. Shin [KS10] considered a set of *generalized* Young walls to obtain a realization of $\mathcal{B}(\infty)$, while H. Lee [Lee07] established a different realization. These constructions in type $A_n^{(1)}$ are closely related to Zelevinsky’s *multisegments* [Zel80] and Lusztig’s *aperiodic* multisegments [Lus91], whose crystal structure was studied by Leclerc, Thibon and Vasserot [LTV99]. In this paper, we will adopt Kim and Shin’s realization and prove (Theorem 3.23)

$$\prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \left(\frac{1 - q^{-1}z^\alpha}{1 - z^\alpha} \right)^{\text{mult}(\alpha)} = \sum_{Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)} (1 - q^{-1})^{\mathcal{N}(Y)} z^{-\text{wt}(Y)},$$

where $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ is the set of reduced proper generalized Young walls and $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ is a certain statistic on $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$.

There are two main constructions in the proof. The first one is to establish natural bijections starting from $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ so that we may assign a Kostant partition to an element Y of $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$. The second is to develop an algorithm to calculate the number $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ of distinct parts in the Kostant partition corresponding to Y . Note that if one can read off a canonical parametrization established by Beck, Chari, Nakajima and Pressley, directly from Y , then the corresponding Kostant partition is readily obtained. However, to the authors’ knowledge, an efficient way to read off a canonical parametrization from Y in the affine setting is not known. Instead, our construction uses the more combinatorial nature of $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ and produces an explicit correspondence between $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ and the set of Kostant partitions. Our method then assigns a canonical-type parametrization to Y through the corresponding Kostant partition. We do not know at the moment whether our parametrization coincides with a canonical parametrization of Beck, Chari, Nakajima and Pressley.

In type $A_n^{(1)}$, the correction factor in the formula of Braverman, Finkelberg, and Kazhdan, mentioned above is given by

$$(0.3) \quad \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - q^{-i}z^{j\delta}}{1 - q^{-(i+1)}z^{j\delta}},$$

where δ is the minimal positive imaginary root. In the last section we will write this correction factor as a sum over a subset of reduced proper generalized Young walls (Proposition 4.4), obtain an expansion of the whole product as a sum over pairs of reduced proper generalized Young walls (Corollary 4.5), and derive a combinatorial formula for the number of points in the intersection $T^{-\gamma} \cap S^0$ of certain orbits $T^{-\gamma}$ and S^0 in the (double) affine Grassmannian (Corollary 4.6).

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1. General definitions

Let $I = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ be an index set and let $(A, \Pi, \Pi^\vee, P, P^\vee)$ be a Cartan datum of type $A_n^{(1)}$; i.e.,

- $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j \in I}$ is a generalized Cartan matrix of type $A_n^{(1)}$,
- $\Pi = \{\alpha_i : i \in I\}$ is the set of simple roots,

- $\Pi^\vee = \{h_i : i \in I\}$ is the set of simple coroots,
- $P^\vee = \mathbf{Z}h_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbf{Z}h_n \oplus \mathbf{Z}d$ is the dual weight lattice,
- $\mathfrak{h} = \mathbf{C} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} P^\vee$ is the Cartan subalgebra,
- and $P = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^* : \lambda(P^\vee) \subset \mathbf{Z}\}$ is the weight lattice.

In addition to the above data, we have a bilinear pairing $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : P^\vee \times P \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$ defined by $\langle h_i, \alpha_j \rangle = a_{ij}$ and $\langle d, \alpha_j \rangle = \delta_{0,j}$.

Let \mathfrak{g} be the affine Kac-Moody algebra associated with this Cartan datum, and denote by $U_v(\mathfrak{g})$ the quantized universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{g} . We denote the generators of $U_v(\mathfrak{g})$ by e_i, f_i ($i \in I$), and v^h ($h \in P^\vee$). The subalgebra of $U_v(\mathfrak{g})$ generated by f_i ($i \in I$) will be denoted by $U_v^-(\mathfrak{g})$.

A $U_v(\mathfrak{g})$ -crystal is a set \mathcal{B} together with maps

$$\tilde{e}_i, \tilde{f}_i : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \sqcup \{0\}, \quad \varepsilon_i, \varphi_i : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z} \sqcup \{-\infty\}, \quad \text{wt} : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow P$$

satisfying certain conditions (see [HK02, Kas95]). The negative part $U_v^-(\mathfrak{g})$ has a crystal base (see [Kas91]) which is a $U_v(\mathfrak{g})$ -crystal. We denote this crystal by $\mathcal{B}(\infty)$, and denote its highest weight element by u_∞ .

Finally, we will describe the set of roots Δ for \mathfrak{g} . Since we are fixing \mathfrak{g} to be of type $A_n^{(1)}$, we may make this explicit. Define

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\text{cl}} &= \{\pm(\alpha_i + \cdots + \alpha_j) : 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n\}, \\ \Delta_{\text{cl}}^+ &= \{\alpha_i + \cdots + \alpha_j : 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n\} \end{aligned}$$

to be set of classical roots and positive classical roots; *i.e.*, roots in the root system of $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{cl}} = \mathfrak{sl}_{n+1}$. The minimal imaginary root is $\delta = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n$. Then

$$\Delta_{\text{Im}} = \{m\delta : m \in \mathbf{Z} \setminus \{0\}\}, \quad \Delta_{\text{Im}}^+ = \{m\delta : m \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}\}.$$

We have $\Delta = \Delta_{\text{Re}} \sqcup \Delta_{\text{Im}}$ and $\Delta^+ = \Delta_{\text{Re}}^+ \sqcup \Delta_{\text{Im}}^+$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\text{Re}} &= \{\alpha + m\delta : \alpha \in \Delta_{\text{cl}}, m \in \mathbf{Z}\} \\ \Delta_{\text{Re}}^+ &= \{\alpha + m\delta : \alpha \in \Delta_{\text{cl}}, m \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}\} \cup \Delta_{\text{cl}}^+. \end{aligned}$$

Recall $\text{mult}(\alpha) = 1$ for any $\alpha \in \Delta_{\text{Re}}$ and $\text{mult}(\alpha) = n$ for any $\alpha \in \Delta_{\text{Im}}$. For notational convenience, since $\text{mult}(m\delta) = n$, we write

$$\Delta_{\text{Im}}^+ = \{m_1\delta_1, \dots, m_n\delta_n : m_1, \dots, m_n \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}\},$$

where each δ_j is a copy of the imaginary root δ .

2. Generalized Young walls

In this section we describe generalized Young walls. We refer the reader to [Kan03, Ze180, Lus91, LTV99] for related constructions and background. We start by defining the board on which all generalized Young walls will be built.

Define

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \cdots & 0 & 1 & 2 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & (n+3)\text{rd row} \\ \cdots & n & 0 & 1 & \cdots & n & 0 & (n+2)\text{nd row} \\ \cdots & n-1 & n & 0 & \cdots & n-1 & n & (n+1)\text{st row} \\ & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \cdots & 0 & 1 & 2 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 2\text{nd row} \\ \cdots & n & 0 & 1 & \cdots & n & 0 & 1\text{st row} \end{array}$$

In particular, the color of the j th site from the bottom of the i th column from the right in (2.1) is $j - i \pmod{n + 1}$.

DEFINITION 2.1. A *generalized Young wall* is a finite collection of i -colored boxes \boxed{i} ($i \in I$) on the board (2.1) satisfying the following building conditions.

- (1) The colored boxes should be located according to the colors of the sites on the board (2.1).
- (2) The colored boxes are put in rows; that is, one stacks boxes from right to left in each row.

For a generalized Young wall Y , we define the *weight* $\text{wt}(Y)$ of Y to be

$$\text{wt}(Y) = - \sum_{i \in I} m_i(Y) \alpha_i,$$

where $m_i(Y)$ is the number of i -colored boxes in Y .

DEFINITION 2.2. A generalized Young wall is called *proper* if for any $k > \ell$ and $k - \ell \equiv 0 \pmod{n + 1}$, the number of boxes in the k th row from the bottom is less than or equal to that of the ℓ th row from the bottom.

DEFINITION 2.3. Let Y be a generalized Young wall and let Y_k be the k th column of Y from the right. Set $a_i(k)$, with $i \in I$ and $k \geq 1$, to be the number of i -colored boxes in the k th column Y_k .

- (1) We say Y_k contains a *removable* δ if we may remove one i -colored box for all $i \in I$ from Y_k and still obtain a generalized Young wall. In other words, Y_k contains a removable δ if $a_{i-1}(k+1) < a_i(k)$ for all $i \in I$.
- (2) Y is said to be *reduced* if no column Y_k of Y contains a removable δ .

Let $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ denote the set of all reduced proper generalized Young walls. In [KS10], Kim and Shin defined a crystal structure on $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ and proved the following theorem. We refer the reader to [KS10] for the details.

THEOREM 2.4 ([KS10]). *We have $\mathcal{B}(\infty) \cong \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ as crystals.*

3. Kostant partitions

Let

$$\alpha_i^{(\ell)} = \alpha_i + \alpha_{i-1} + \cdots + \alpha_{i-\ell+1}, \quad i \in I, \quad 1 \leq \ell \leq n,$$

where the indices are understood mod $n + 1$.

EXAMPLE 3.1. Let $n = 2$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_0^{(1)} &= \alpha_0 & \alpha_1^{(1)} &= \alpha_1 & \alpha_2^{(1)} &= \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_0^{(2)} &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_2 & \alpha_1^{(2)} &= \alpha_1 + \alpha_0 & \alpha_2^{(2)} &= \alpha_2 + \alpha_1. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$S_1 = \left\{ (m_k \delta_k), (c_{i,\ell} \delta + \alpha_i^{(\ell)}) : \begin{array}{l} m_k > 0, 1 \leq k \leq n, \\ c_{i,\ell} \geq 0, i \in I, 1 \leq \ell \leq n \end{array} \right\}.$$

We introduce the generator $\delta^{(m)}$ for $m \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$ and set

$$S_2 = \{ \delta^{(m)} : m \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0} \}.$$

Let $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ be the free abelian group generated by $S_1 \cup S_2$. Consider the subgroup L of $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ generated by the elements: for $m > 0$,

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{cases} \delta^{(m)} - \sum_{i \in I} (k \delta + \alpha_i^{(\ell)}), & m = (n + 1)k + \ell, \quad 1 \leq \ell \leq n; \\ \delta^{(m)} - \delta^{(k)} - \sum_{i=1}^n (k \delta_i), & m = (n + 1)k. \end{cases}$$

We set $\mathcal{G} = \tilde{\mathcal{G}}/L$ and let \mathcal{G}^+ be the $\mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -span of $S_1 \cup S_2$ in \mathcal{G} . The following observation will play an important role.

REMARK 3.2. If we slightly abuse language, we may say that, in \mathcal{G} , the element $\delta^{(m)}$ is equal to the sum of $n + 1$ distinct positive “roots” of equal length m whose total weight is $m\delta$. In particular, if $m = (n + 1)k + \ell$ ($1 \leq \ell \leq n$), then $\delta^{(m)}$ is equal to the sum of $n + 1$ distinct positive real roots of equal length m , and if $m = (n + 1)k$, then $\delta^{(m)}$ is equal to the sum of $(k\delta_1), \dots, (k\delta_n), \delta^{(k)}$ of equal length m .

EXAMPLE 3.3. Let $n = 2$. Then in \mathcal{G} ,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^{(1)} &= (\alpha_0) + (\alpha_1) + (\alpha_2) \\ \delta^{(2)} &= (\alpha_0 + \alpha_2) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_0) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha_1) \\ \delta^{(3)} &= \delta^{(1)} + (\delta_1) + (\delta_2) = (\alpha_0) + (\alpha_1) + (\alpha_2) + (\delta_1) + (\delta_2) \\ \delta^{(4)} &= (\delta + \alpha_0) + (\delta + \alpha_1) + (\delta + \alpha_2) \\ \delta^{(5)} &= (\delta + \alpha_0 + \alpha_2) + (\delta + \alpha_1 + \alpha_0) + (\delta + \alpha_2 + \alpha_1) \\ \delta^{(6)} &= \delta^{(2)} + (2\delta_1) + (2\delta_2) = (\alpha_0 + \alpha_2) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_0) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha_1) + (2\delta_1) + (2\delta_2) \\ &\vdots \\ \delta^{(9)} &= \delta^{(3)} + (3\delta_1) + (3\delta_2) = (\alpha_0) + (\alpha_1) + (\alpha_2) + (\delta_1) + (\delta_2) + (3\delta_1) + (3\delta_2) \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 3.4. Let $\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{G}^+$, and write \mathbf{p} as a $\mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -linear combination of elements in $S_1 \cup S_2$.

- (1) We say an expression of \mathbf{p} contains a *removable* δ if it contains some parts that can be replaced by $\delta^{(k)}$ for some $k > 0$.
- (2) We say an expression of \mathbf{p} is *reduced* if it does not contain a removable δ .

Let $\mathcal{K}(\infty)$ denote the set of reduced expressions of elements in \mathcal{G}^+ . We define the set \mathcal{K} of *Kostant partitions* to be the $\mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -span of the set S_1 in \mathcal{G}^+ . Notice that the set S_1 is linearly independent.

DEFINITION 3.5. For $\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{K}$, we denote by $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{p})$ the number of distinct parts in \mathbf{p} .

EXAMPLE 3.6. If $\mathbf{p} = 2(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1) + 5(\alpha_2 + \alpha_1) + 2(\delta_1) + (\delta_2) + (\alpha_0) + 4(\alpha_1)$, then $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{p}) = 6$.

Define a *reduction map* $\psi: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(\infty)$ as follows: Given $\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{K}$, write it as a $\mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ -linear combination of elements in S_1 . Replace $k_1 \sum_{i \in I} (\alpha_i^{(1)})$ in the expression, where k_1 is the largest possible, with $k_1 \delta^{(1)}$. The resulting expression is denoted by $\mathbf{p}^{(1)}$. Next, replace $k_2 \sum_{i \in I} (\alpha_i^{(2)})$ (or $k_2(\delta^{(1)} + (\delta_1))$ if $n = 1$), where k_2 is the largest possible, with $k_2 \delta^{(2)}$. The result is denoted by $\mathbf{p}^{(2)}$. Continue this process with $\delta^{(k)}$ ($k \geq 3$) using the relations in (3.1). The process stops with $\mathbf{p}^{(s)}$ for some s . By construction, $\mathbf{p}^{(s)} \in \mathcal{K}(\infty)$, and we define $\psi(\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{p}^{(s)}$.

Conversely, we define the *unfolding map* $\phi: \mathcal{K}(\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ by unfolding the $\delta^{(k)}$'s consecutively. That is, given $\mathbf{q} \in \mathcal{K}(\infty)$, find $\delta^{(r)}$ with the largest r and replace it with the corresponding sum from (3.1). The resulting expression is denoted by $\mathbf{q}^{(r)}$. Next, replace $\delta^{(r-1)}$ with the corresponding sum from (3.1). The result is denoted by $\mathbf{q}^{(r-1)}$. Continue this process until we replace $\delta^{(1)}$ with $\sum_{i \in I} (\alpha_i^{(1)})$ and obtain $\mathbf{q}^{(1)}$. By construction, $\mathbf{q}^{(1)} \in \mathcal{K}$, and we define $\phi(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{q}^{(1)}$.

It is clear from the definitions that ψ and ϕ are inverses to each other. Hence, we have proven the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.7. *The reduction map $\psi: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(\infty)$ is a bijection, whose inverse is the unfolding map $\phi: \mathcal{K}(\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$.*

For later use, we need to describe the unfolding map ϕ more explicitly.

LEMMA 3.8. *For $p \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and $q \in \mathbf{Z}_{> 0}$, we have*

$$(3.2) \quad \phi(\delta^{((n+1)^p q)}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (r\delta + \alpha_{j-1}^{(s)}) + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n ((n+1)^i q \delta_j) \right),$$

where we write $q = (n+1)r + s$, $1 \leq s \leq n$. In particular, $\delta^{((n+1)^p q)}$ has $n+1 + np$ parts.

PROOF. We use induction on p . Assume that $p = 0$. Then it follows from (3.1) that

$$\phi(\delta^{(q)}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (r\delta + \alpha_{j-1}^{(s)}).$$

Now assume that $p \geq 1$. From (3.1) and the induction hypothesis, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\delta^{((n+1)^p q)}) &= \phi(\delta^{((n+1)^{p-1} q)}) + \sum_{j=1}^n ((n+1)^{p-1} q \delta_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (r\delta + \alpha_{j-1}^{(s)}) + \sum_{i=0}^{p-2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n ((n+1)^i q \delta_j) \right) + \sum_{j=1}^n ((n+1)^{p-1} q \delta_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (r\delta + \alpha_{j-1}^{(s)}) + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n ((n+1)^i q \delta_j) \right). \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

In what follows, we will establish a bijection between $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ and $\mathcal{K}(\infty)$. For $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$, we define $N_k(Y)$ ($k \geq 1$) to be the number of boxes in the k th row of Y . We first define a map $\Psi: \mathcal{Y}(\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(\infty)$ by describing how the blocks in a reduced proper generalized Young wall Y contribute to the parts in a reduced Kostant partition. For $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$, $1 \leq j \leq n+1$ and $m \geq 0$, define $\Psi(Y; j, m)$ by

$$(3.3) \quad \Psi(Y; j, m) = \begin{cases} (k\delta_j) & \text{if } 1 \leq j \leq n \text{ and} \\ & N_{(n+1)m+j}(Y) = (n+1)k \text{ for some } k > 0, \\ (k\delta + \alpha_{j-1}^{(\ell)}) & \text{if } 1 \leq j \leq n \text{ and} \\ & N_{(n+1)m+j}(Y) = (n+1)k + \ell \text{ for some } 1 \leq \ell \leq n, k \geq 0, \\ \delta^{(k)} & \text{if } j = n+1 \text{ and} \\ & N_{(n+1)(m+1)}(Y) = (n+1)k \text{ for some } k > 0, \\ (k\delta + \alpha_n^{(\ell)}) & \text{if } j = n+1 \text{ and} \\ & N_{(n+1)(m+1)}(Y) = (n+1)k + \ell \text{ for some } 1 \leq \ell \leq n, k \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\Psi(Y) = \sum_{m \geq 0} \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \Psi(Y; j, m).$$

LEMMA 3.9. *For any $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$, we have $\Psi(Y) \in \mathcal{K}(\infty)$.*

PROOF. Let $\mathfrak{p} = \Psi(Y)$. It is clear that $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{G}^+$, so it remains to show the expression of \mathfrak{p} is reduced. On the contrary, assume that \mathfrak{p} contains a removable δ . By Remark 3.2, the expression of \mathfrak{p} contains a sum of $n+1$ distinct positive ‘‘roots’’ of equal length, and the sum corresponds through (3.3) to a collection of rows of Y with equal length in non-congruent positions. Then Y contains a removable δ , which is a contradiction. Thus \mathfrak{p} does not contain a removable δ , so \mathfrak{p} is reduced. \blacksquare

EXAMPLE 3.10. Let $Y = \tilde{f}_2^3 \tilde{f}_0^2 \tilde{f}_1^2 \tilde{f}_2 \tilde{f}_1 \tilde{f}_0 Y_\infty$. That is, let

$$Y = \begin{array}{cccccc} & & & & & 1 \\ & & & & & 2 \\ & & & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array}.$$

Then $\Psi(Y) = (\delta + \alpha_0 + \alpha_2) + (\delta_2) + (\alpha_2) + (\alpha_1)$.

Now define a function $\Phi: \mathcal{K}(\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ in the following way. Let \mathfrak{p} be a reduced Kostant partition. To each part of the partition, we assign a row of a generalized Young wall using the following prescription. For $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $1 \leq \ell \leq n$,

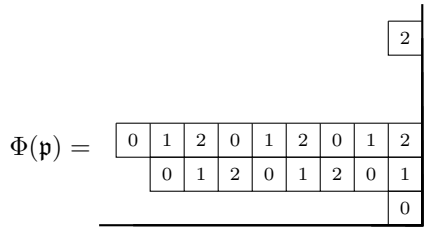
$$(3.4) \quad \Phi: \begin{cases} (k\delta_j) & \mapsto (n+1)k \text{ boxes in row } \equiv j \pmod{n+1}, \\ (k\delta + \alpha_{j-1}^{(\ell)}) & \mapsto (n+1)k + \ell \text{ boxes in row } \equiv j \pmod{n+1}, \\ \delta^{(k)} & \mapsto (n+1)k \text{ boxes in row } \equiv 0 \pmod{n+1}, \\ (k\delta + \alpha_n^{(\ell)}) & \mapsto (n+1)k + \ell \text{ boxes in row } \equiv 0 \pmod{n+1}. \end{cases}$$

To construct the Young wall $\Phi(\mathfrak{p})$ from this data, we arrange the rows so that the number of boxes in each row of the form $(n+1)k + j$, for a fixed j , is weakly decreasing as k increases. Hence $\Phi(\mathfrak{p})$ is proper.

LEMMA 3.11. *For any $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{K}(\infty)$, we have $\Phi(\mathfrak{p}) \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$.*

PROOF. We set $Y = \Phi(\mathfrak{p})$. Since \mathfrak{p} is reduced, \mathfrak{p} does not contain a removable δ . Using a similar argument as in the proof of Lemma 3.9, we see that a removable δ of Y corresponds to a removable δ of \mathfrak{p} . Thus Y does not contain a removable δ , so $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$. ■

EXAMPLE 3.12. Let $\mathfrak{p} = (\alpha_0) + (2\delta + \alpha_1 + \alpha_0) + \delta^{(3)} + (\alpha_2)$. Then



PROPOSITION 3.13. *The maps Ψ and Φ are bijections which are inverses to each other. In particular, we have $\mathcal{Y}(\infty) \cong \mathcal{K}(\infty)$ as sets.*

The existence of a bijection is guaranteed by the theory of Kostant partitions and crystal bases. The importance of the proposition is that we have constructed an explicit, combinatorial description of a bijection.

PROOF. Assume that $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$. It is enough to check that a row j of Y is mapped onto the same stack of boxes in a row $\equiv j \pmod{n+1}$ by $\Phi \circ \Psi$, since the rows are arranged uniquely so that the number of boxes in each row of the form $(n+1)k + j$ for a fixed j is weakly decreasing as k increases. It follows from (3.3) and (3.4) that a row j of Y is mapped onto the same stack of boxes in a row $\equiv j \pmod{n+1}$.

Conversely, assume that $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{K}(\infty)$. It is enough to check that each part of \mathfrak{p} is mapped onto itself through $\Psi \circ \Phi$. Using (3.3) and (3.4), we see that it is the case. ■

REMARK 3.14. While one may define a crystal structure on $\mathcal{K}(\infty)$ directly in order to show that the bijection in Proposition 3.13 is a crystal isomorphism, the bijection given is very explicit and easily understood, so one may simply pull back the crystal structure on $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ to $\mathcal{K}(\infty)$ in order to obtain a crystal isomorphism.

For $1 \leq j \leq n + 1$ and $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$, define $S_j(Y)$ be the set of distinct $N_{(n+1)m+j}(Y)$'s for $m \geq 0$; i.e., set

$$S_j(Y) = \bigcup_{m \geq 0} \{N_{(n+1)m+j}(Y)\}.$$

When $j = n + 1$, for each $m \geq 0$, define $(p_m, q_m) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0} \times \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$N_{(n+1)(m+1)}(Y) = (n + 1)^{p_m} q_m,$$

with q_m not divisible by $n + 1$. If $N_{(n+1)(m+1)}(Y) = 0$, then we put $(p_m, q_m) = (0, 0)$. We set

$$\mathcal{Q}(Y) = \left(\bigcup_{m \geq 0} \{(n + 1)^s q_m : s = 0, 1, \dots, p_m - 1\} \right) \cup \{0\},$$

and let

$$\mathcal{P}(Y) = \sum_{\substack{t \geq 1 \\ (n+1) \nmid t}} \max \{p_m : q_m = t, m \geq 0\}.$$

Define

$$(3.5) \quad \mathcal{N}(Y) = n\mathcal{P}(Y) + \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \mathcal{Q}(Y)).$$

PROPOSITION 3.15. Assume that $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$, and let $\mathbf{p} = (\phi \circ \Psi)(Y) \in \mathcal{K}$, where ϕ is the unfolding map defined in the proof of Lemma 3.7. Then $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ is equal to the number of distinct parts in the Kostant partition \mathbf{p} ; i.e., we have $\mathcal{N}(Y) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{p})$.

Before we prove this proposition, we provide a pair of examples. In the first example, we do not have $\delta^{(k)}$ in $\Psi(Y)$, and in the second example, we have $\delta^{(k)}$ in $\Psi(Y)$. We will see how the formula for $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ works.

EXAMPLE 3.16. Suppose that

$$Y = \begin{array}{cccccc} & & & & & \boxed{1} \\ & & & & & \boxed{2} \\ & & & & \boxed{2} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} \\ & & \boxed{2} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{2} & \boxed{0} \\ \boxed{2} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{2} & \boxed{0} & & \end{array}.$$

Then $\mathbf{p} = (\phi \circ \Psi)(Y) = (\delta + \alpha_0 + \alpha_1) + (\delta_2) + (\alpha_2) + (\alpha_1)$, and the number of distinct parts is 4. On the other hand,

$$S_1(Y) = \{5, 0\}, \quad S_2(Y) = \{3, 1, 0\}, \quad S_3(Y) = \{1, 0\}.$$

Now setting $N_{3(m+1)}(Y) = 3^{p_m} q_m$ implies $(p_0, q_0) = (0, 1)$ and $(p_m, q_m) = (0, 0)$ for $m \geq 1$. Thus $\mathcal{Q}(Y) = \{0\}$ and $\mathcal{P}(Y) = 0$. So

$$\mathcal{N}(Y) = 1 + 2 + 1 + 2 \cdot 0 = 4.$$

EXAMPLE 3.17. Suppose that

$$Y = \begin{array}{|cccccc|} \hline 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|cccccc|} \hline 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|cc|} \hline 0 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|ccc|} \hline 1 & 2 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p} &= (\phi \circ \Psi)(Y) = \phi \left((\delta_1) + (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1) + \delta^{(3)} + \delta^{(2)} \right) \\ &= (\delta_1) + (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1) + (\alpha_0) + (\alpha_1) + (\alpha_2) + (\delta_1) + (\delta_2) + (\alpha_0 + \alpha_2) \\ &\quad + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_0) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha_1) \\ &= 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_0) + (\alpha_0 + \alpha_2) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha_1) + 2(\delta_1) + (\delta_2) + (\alpha_0) + (\alpha_1) + (\alpha_2). \end{aligned}$$

Hence the number of distinct parts is 8. On the other hand, we get

$$S_1(Y) = \{3, 0\}, \quad S_2(Y) = \{2, 0\}, \quad S_3(Y) = \{9, 6, 0\}.$$

From $N_{3(m+1)}(Y) = 3^{p_m} q_m$, we obtain $(p_0, q_0) = (2, 1)$, $(p_1, q_1) = (1, 2)$ and $(p_m, q_m) = (0, 0)$ for $m \geq 2$. Then $\mathcal{Q}(Y) = \{1, 3, 2, 0\}$ and $\mathcal{P}(Y) = 2 + 1 = 3$. So

$$\mathcal{N}(Y) = 0 + 0 + 2 + 2 \cdot 3 = 8.$$

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 3.15.

Step 1: Assume that $p_m = 0$ for all $m \geq 0$. Then $\Psi(Y)$ has no $\delta^{(k)}$, or equivalently, Y is such that $N_{(n+1)(m+1)}(Y) \neq (n+1)k$ for any $m \geq 0$ and $k \geq 1$. Then $(\phi \circ \Psi)(Y) = \Psi(Y)$ as $\Psi(Y)$ does not have a $\delta^{(k)}$. On the other hand, since $p_m = 0$ for all $m \geq 0$, we have $\mathcal{Q}(Y) = \{0\}$ and $\mathcal{P}(Y) = 0$. Hence

$$\mathcal{N}(Y) = \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0\}).$$

For each $1 \leq j \leq n+1$, define $R_j(Y)$ to be the collection of k th rows of Y with $k \equiv j \pmod{n+1}$. From (3.3), we see that two nonempty rows $y_1, y_2 \in R_j(Y)$ correspond to distinct parts in $\Psi(Y)$ if and only if the lengths of y_1 and y_2 are different. Since $\#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0\})$ is the number of distinct nonzero lengths of rows in $R_j(Y)$, it is equal to the number of distinct parts in $\Psi(Y)$ corresponding to $R_j(Y)$. Furthermore, if $j \neq j'$, then $y \in R_j(Y)$ and $y' \in R_{j'}(Y)$ correspond to distinct parts in $\Psi(Y)$. Thus $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ is the total number of distinct parts in $\Psi(Y) = (\phi \circ \Psi)(Y)$, as required.

Step 2: Now assume that $p_m \geq 1$ for some m and $p_{m'} = 0$ for all $m' \neq m$. From the definition $N_{(n+1)(m+1)}(Y) = (n+1)^{p_m} q_m$, we see that the row $(n+1)(m+1)$ has $(n+1)^{p_m} q_m$ boxes, and the corresponding part in $\Psi(Y)$ is $\delta^{((n+1)^{p_m-1} q_m)}$. We obtain from Lemma 3.8

$$(3.6) \quad \phi(\delta^{((n+1)^{p_m-1} q_m)}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (r_m \delta + \alpha_j^{(s_m)}) + \sum_{i=0}^{p_m-2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n ((n+1)^i q_m \delta_j) \right),$$

where we write $q_m = (n+1)r_m + s_m$, $1 \leq s_m \leq n$. Thus $\phi(\delta^{((n+1)^{p_m-1} q_m)})$ has $np_m + 1$ distinct parts, some of which may be the same as other parts in $\Psi(Y)$. It

follows from (3.3) that the part $(r_m \delta + \alpha_{j-1}^{(s_m)})$ corresponds to q_m boxes in a row $\equiv j \pmod{n+1}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n+1$. Similarly, the part $((n+1)^i q_m \delta_j)$ corresponds to $(n+1)^{i+1} q_m$ boxes in a row $\equiv j \pmod{n+1}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $0 \leq i \leq p_m - 2$. Then the number of distinct parts in $(\phi \circ \Psi)(Y)$ is

(3.7)

$$\begin{aligned} np_m + 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) + \#(S_{n+1}(Y) \setminus \{0, q_m, (n+1)^{p_m} q_m\}) \\ = np_m + \sum_{j=1}^n \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) + \#(S_{n+1}(Y) \setminus \{0, q_m\}). \end{aligned}$$

Since $S_{n+1}(Y)$ does not contain $(n+1)^i q_m$, $1 \leq i \leq p_m - 1$, by the assumption, the expression (3.7) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} np_m + \sum_{j=1}^n \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) \\ + \#(S_{n+1}(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) \\ = np_m + \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) \\ = np_m + \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \mathcal{Q}(Y)) \\ = \mathcal{N}(Y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus the number of distinct parts in $(\phi \circ \Psi)(Y)$ is $\mathcal{N}(Y)$.

Step 3: Next we assume $p_m = \max\{p_{m'} : m' \geq 0\}$ and $q_m = q_{m'}$ for any $p_{m'} \geq 1$. We have $\delta^{((n+1)^{p_{m'}-1} q_{m'})}$ in $\Psi(Y)$ for each $p_{m'} \geq 1$, and each $\phi(\delta^{((n+1)^{p_{m'}-1} q_{m'})})$ yields $np_{m'} + 1$ parts as in (3.6). However, we can see from (3.6) that $\phi(\delta^{(n+1)^{p_m-1} q_m})$ with the maximal p_m generates all the distinct parts including those from other $p_{m'}$, since $q_m = q_{m'}$ for all $p_{m'} \geq 1$ by the assumption. Then the number of distinct parts in $(\phi \circ \Psi)(Y)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} np_m + 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) \\ + \#(S_{n+1}(Y) \setminus \{0, q_m, (n+1)^{p_{m'}} q_m\}_{1 \leq p_{m'} \leq p_m}) \\ = np_m + \sum_{j=1}^n \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) \\ + \#(S_{n+1}(Y) \setminus \{0, (n+1)^i q_m\}_{0 \leq i \leq p_m - 1}) \\ = np_m + \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \mathcal{Q}(Y)) = \mathcal{N}(Y). \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Finally we consider the general case. We group p_m 's using the rule that p_m and $p_{m'}$ are in the same group if and only if $q_m = q_{m'}$. For each of such groups, we use the result in Step 3, and see that the number of distinct parts in $(\phi \circ \Psi)(Y)$

is equal to

$$n\mathcal{P}(Y) + \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \mathcal{Q}(Y)),$$

recalling the definitions

$$\mathcal{P}(Y) = \sum_{\substack{t \geq 1 \\ (n+1) \nmid t}} \max \{p_m : q_m = t, m \geq 0\},$$

$$\mathcal{Q}(Y) = \left(\bigcup_{m \geq 0} \{(n+1)^s q_m : s = 0, 1, \dots, p_m - 1\} \right) \cup \{0\}.$$

Hence the number of distinct parts in $(\phi \circ \Psi)(Y)$ is $\mathcal{N}(Y)$. ■

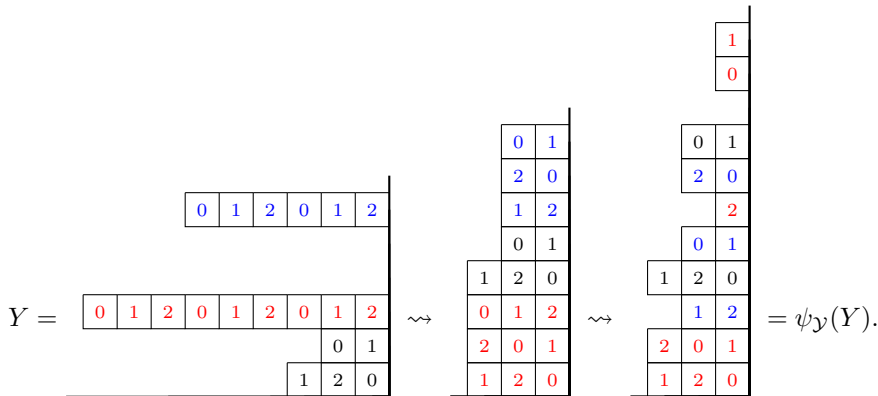
The rule for calculating the number $\mathcal{N}(Y)$, for $Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$, may be reinterpreted using the following algorithm. For this algorithm, we say that two rows in Y are *distinct* if their rightmost boxes are different or if their rightmost boxes are equal but they have an unequal number of boxes.

ALGORITHM 3.18. Define a map $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}$ on $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ as follows.

- (1) If Y has no row with rightmost box n and length $\equiv 0 \pmod{n+1}$, then $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}(Y) := Y$.
- (2) If Y has at least one row with rightmost box n and length $(n+1)\ell$, then replace any row with maximal such ℓ with $n+1$ distinct rows of length ℓ . Rearrange all rows (if necessary) so that it is proper. This gives $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}^{(\ell)}(Y)$.
- (3) Apply Step 2 with ℓ replaced by $\ell - 1$ and Y replaced by $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}^{(\ell)}(Y)$. This gives $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}^{(\ell-1)}(Y)$.
- (4) Iterate this process until $\ell = 1$. Then $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}(Y) = \psi_{\mathcal{Y}}^{(1)}(Y)$.

Note that $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}(Y)$ is proper, but need not be reduced, so $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}(Y) \notin \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ in general. Then $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ is the number of distinct rows in $\psi_{\mathcal{Y}}(Y)$.

EXAMPLE 3.19. Let $n = 2$ and let Y be as in Example 3.17. Then



Counting the number of distinct rows gives $8 = \mathcal{N}(Y)$.

Let W be the Weyl group of \mathfrak{g} and s_i ($i \in I$) be the simple reflections. We fix $\mathbf{h} = (\dots, i_{-1}, i_0, i_1, \dots)$ as in Section 3.1 in [BN04]. Then for any integers

$m < k$, the product $s_{i_m} s_{i_{m+1}} \cdots s_{i_k} \in W$ is a reduced expression, so is the product $s_{i_k} s_{i_{k-1}} \cdots s_{i_m} \in W$. We set

$$(3.8) \quad \beta_k = \begin{cases} s_{i_0} s_{i_{-1}} \cdots s_{i_{k+1}}(\alpha_{i_k}) & \text{if } k \leq 0, \\ s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_{k-1}}(\alpha_{i_k}) & \text{if } k > 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $T_i = T''_{i,1}$ be the automorphism of $U_v(\mathfrak{g})$ as in Section 37.1.3 of [Lus93], and let

$$\mathbf{c}_+ = (c_0, c_{-1}, c_{-2}, \dots) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathbf{Z}_{\leq 0}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{c}_- = (c_1, c_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\mathbf{Z}_{> 0}}$$

be functions (or sequences) that are almost everywhere zero. We denote by $\mathcal{C}_>$ (resp. by $\mathcal{C}_<$) the set of such functions \mathbf{c}_+ (resp. \mathbf{c}_-). For an element $\mathbf{c}_+ = (c_0, c_{-1}, \dots) \in \mathcal{C}_>$ (resp. $\mathbf{c}_- = (c_1, c_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{C}_>$), we define

$$E_{\mathbf{c}_+} = E_{i_0}^{(c_0)} T_{i_0}^{-1} (E_{i_{-1}}^{(c_{-1})}) T_{i_0}^{-1} T_{i_{-1}}^{-1} (E_{i_{-2}}^{(c_{-2})}) \cdots$$

and

$$E_{\mathbf{c}_-} = \cdots T_{i_1} T_{i_2} (E_{i_3}^{(c_3)}) T_{i_1} (E_{i_2}^{(c_2)}) E_{i_1}^{(c_1)}.$$

We also define $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}_+)$ (resp. $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}_-)$) to be the number of nonzero c_i 's in \mathbf{c}_+ (resp. \mathbf{c}_-).

Let $\mathbf{c}_0 = (\rho^{(1)}, \rho^{(2)}, \dots, \rho^{(n)})$ be a multi-partition with n components; *i.e.*, each component $\rho^{(i)}$ is a partition. We denote by $\mathcal{P}(n)$ the set of all multi-partitions with n components. Let $S_{\mathbf{c}_0}$ be defined as in [BN04, p. 352] for $\mathbf{c}_0 \in \mathcal{P}(n)$. For a partition $\mathbf{p} = (1^{m_1} 2^{m_2} \cdots r^{m_r} \cdots)$, we define

$$(3.9) \quad \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{p}) = \#\{r : m_r \neq 0\} \quad \text{and} \quad |\mathbf{p}| = m_1 + 2m_2 + 3m_3 + \cdots.$$

Then for a multi-partition $\mathbf{c}_0 = (\rho^{(1)}, \rho^{(2)}, \dots, \rho^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{P}(n)$, we set

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\rho^{(1)}) + \mathcal{N}(\rho^{(2)}) + \cdots + \mathcal{N}(\rho^{(n)}).$$

Let $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}_> \times \mathcal{P}(n) \times \mathcal{C}_<$. We denote by \mathcal{B} the Kashiwara-Lusztig canonical basis for $U_v^+(\mathfrak{g})$, the positive part of the quantum affine algebra.

THEOREM 3.20 ([BCP99, BN04]). *There is a bijection $\eta: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ such that for each $\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c}_+, \mathbf{c}_0, \mathbf{c}_-) \in \mathcal{C}$, there exists a unique $b = \eta^{-1}(\mathbf{c}) \in \mathcal{B}$ satisfying*

$$(3.10) \quad b \equiv E_{\mathbf{c}_+} S_{\mathbf{c}_0} E_{\mathbf{c}_-} \pmod{v^{-1} \mathbf{Z}[v^{-1}]}.$$

Now the number $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c})$ is defined by $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}_+) + \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}_0) + \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}_-)$ for each $\mathbf{c} \in \mathcal{C}$. Using the canonical basis \mathcal{B} , H. Kim and K.-H. Lee expanded the product side of the Gindikin-Karpelevich formula as a sum, and obtained the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.21 ([KL12]). *We have*

$$(3.11) \quad \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \left(\frac{1 - q^{-1} \mathbf{z}^\alpha}{1 - \mathbf{z}^\alpha} \right)^{\text{mult}(\alpha)} = \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} (1 - q^{-1})^{\mathcal{N}(\eta(b))} \mathbf{z}^{\text{wt}(b)}.$$

In the rest of this section, we will prove a combinatorial description of the formula (3.11) using the set $\mathcal{Y}(\infty)$ of reduced proper generalized Young walls.

We define a map $\theta: \mathcal{P}(n) \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ as follows. For $\mathbf{c}_0 = (\rho^{(1)}, \rho^{(2)}, \dots, \rho^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{P}(n)$, we define

$$\theta(\mathbf{c}_0) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_{1,i}(\delta_i) + m_{2,i}(2\delta_i) + \cdots + m_{r,i}(r\delta_i) + \cdots,$$

where $\rho^{(i)} = (1^{m_{1,i}} 2^{m_{2,i}} \dots r^{m_{r,i}} \dots)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then we define a map $\Theta: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ by

$$\Theta(\mathbf{c}) = \theta(\mathbf{c}_0) + \sum_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} c_i(\beta_i),$$

where $\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c}_+, \mathbf{c}_0, \mathbf{c}_-)$, $\mathbf{c}_+ = (c_0, c_{-1}, c_{-2}, \dots)$, $\mathbf{c}_- = (c_1, c_2, \dots)$ and β_i is given by (3.8) with $(\beta_i) \in \mathcal{K}$.

COROLLARY 3.22. *The map $\Theta: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ is a bijection, and for $\mathbf{c} \in \mathcal{C}$, the number of distinct parts in $\mathbf{p} = \Theta(\mathbf{c})$ is the same as $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c})$; i.e., $\mathcal{N}(\Theta(\mathbf{c})) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c})$.*

PROOF. By Theorem 3.20, the set \mathcal{C} parametrizes a PBW type basis of $U_v^+(\mathfrak{g})$. Thus the set \mathcal{C} also parametrizes a PBW basis of the universal enveloping algebra $U^+(\mathfrak{g})$. Now the first assertion follows from the fact that the Kostant partitions parametrize the elements in a PBW basis of $U^+(\mathfrak{g})$ and that the function Θ is defined according to these correspondences. The second assertion follows from the definitions of \mathcal{N} for \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{K} , respectively. ■

THEOREM 3.23. *Let \mathfrak{g} be an affine Kac-Moody algebra of type $A_n^{(1)}$. Then*

$$(3.12) \quad \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \left(\frac{1 - q^{-1} z^\alpha}{1 - z^\alpha} \right)^{\text{mult}(\alpha)} = \sum_{Y \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)} (1 - q^{-1})^{\mathcal{N}(Y)} z^{-\text{wt}(Y)},$$

where $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ is defined in (3.5).

PROOF. By Lemma 3.7, Proposition 3.13, Theorem 3.20 and Corollary 3.22, we have bijections

$$\mathcal{B} \xrightarrow{\eta} \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\Theta} \mathcal{K} \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathcal{K}(\infty) \xrightarrow{\Phi} \mathcal{Y}(\infty).$$

For $b \in \mathcal{B}$, we write $Y = (\Phi \circ \psi \circ \Theta \circ \eta)(b) \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty)$. Then, by Proposition 3.15 and Corollary 3.22, we have $\mathcal{N}(\eta(b)) = \mathcal{N}(Y)$. We also see from the constructions that $\text{wt}(b) = -\text{wt}(Y)$. Now the equality (3.12) follows from Theorem 3.21. ■

4. Connection to Braverman-Finkelberg-Kazhdan’s formula

We briefly recall the framework of the paper [BFK12]. Let G (resp. \widehat{G}) be the minimal (resp. formal) Kac-Moody group functor attached to a symmetrizable Kac-Moody root datum and let \mathfrak{g} be the corresponding Lie algebra. There is a natural imbedding $G \hookrightarrow \widehat{G}$. The group G has the closed subgroup functors $U \subset B$, $U_- \subset B_-$ such that the quotients B/U and B_-/U_- are naturally isomorphic to the Cartan subgroup H of G . We denote by \widehat{B} and \widehat{U} the closures of B and U in \widehat{G} , respectively. We will denote the coroot lattice of G by Λ and the set of positive coroots by $R^+ \subset \Lambda$. The subsemigroup of Λ generated by R^+ will be denoted by Λ^+ . For an element $\gamma = \sum a_i \alpha_i^\vee \in \Lambda^+$ with simple coroots α_i^\vee , we write $|\gamma| = \sum a_i$. We assume that G is “simply connected”; i.e., the lattice Λ is equal to the cocharacter lattice of H .

We set $\mathcal{F} = \mathbf{F}_q((t))$ and $\mathcal{O} = \mathbf{F}_q[[t]]$, where \mathbf{F}_q is the finite field with q elements. We let $\text{Gr} = \widehat{G}(\mathcal{F})/\widehat{G}(\mathcal{O})$. Each $\lambda \in \Lambda$ defines a homomorphism $\mathcal{F}^* \rightarrow H(\mathcal{F})$. We will denote the image of t under this homomorphism by t^λ , and its image in Gr will also be denoted by t^λ . We set

$$S^\lambda = \widehat{U}(\mathcal{F}) \cdot t^\lambda \subset \text{Gr} \quad \text{and} \quad T^\lambda = U_-(\mathcal{F}) \cdot t^\lambda \subset \text{Gr}.$$

EXAMPLE 4.3. Let Y be as in Example 4.2. Then

$$\mathcal{M}(Y) = 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 3 = 15 \quad \text{and} \quad |Y| = 15.$$

Let us consider $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ for $Y \in \mathcal{Y}_0$, where $\mathcal{N}(Y)$ is defined in (3.5). Since Y has empty rows in positions $\equiv 0 \pmod{n+1}$, we have $(p_m, q_m) = (0, 0)$ for all $m \geq 0$, and obtain $\mathcal{Q}(Y) = \{0\}$ and $\mathcal{P}(Y) = 0$. Hence we have

$$(4.2) \quad \mathcal{N}(Y) = \sum_{j=1}^n \#(S_j(Y) \setminus \{0\}) \quad \text{for } Y \in \mathcal{Y}_0.$$

PROPOSITION 4.4. Let \mathfrak{g} be an affine Kac-Moody algebra of type $A_n^{(1)}$. Then

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - q^{-i} z^{j\delta}}{1 - q^{-(i+1)} z^{j\delta}} = \sum_{Y \in \mathcal{Y}_0} (1 - q)^{\mathcal{N}(Y)} q^{-\mathcal{M}(Y)} z^{|Y|\delta}.$$

PROOF. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - q^{-i} z^{j\delta}}{1 - q^{-(i+1)} z^{j\delta}} &= \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 - q) q^{-k(i+1)} z^{kj\delta} \right) \\ &= \sum_{\rho^{(i)} \in \mathcal{P}(1)} (1 - q)^{\mathcal{N}(\rho^{(i)})} q^{-(i+1)M(\rho^{(i)})} z^{|\rho^{(i)}|\delta}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{N}(\rho^{(i)}) = \#\{r : m_r \neq 0\}$ and $|\rho^{(i)}| = m_1 + 2m_2 + \dots$ are defined in (3.9) and we set $M(\rho^{(i)}) = m_1 + m_2 + \dots$ for $\rho^{(i)} = (1^{m_1} 2^{m_2} \dots) \in \mathcal{P}(1)$. For a multi-partition $\rho = (\rho^{(1)}, \dots, \rho^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{P}(n)$, define

$$\mathcal{N}(\rho) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{N}(\rho^{(i)}), \quad |\rho| = \sum_{i=1}^n |\rho^{(i)}| \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{M}(\rho) = \sum_{i=1}^n (i+1)M(\rho^{(i)}).$$

Then we have

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - q^{-i} z^{j\delta}}{1 - q^{-(i+1)} z^{j\delta}} &= \prod_{i=1}^n \sum_{\rho^{(i)} \in \mathcal{P}(1)} (1 - q)^{\mathcal{N}(\rho^{(i)})} q^{-(i+1)M(\rho^{(i)})} z^{|\rho^{(i)}|\delta} \\ &= \sum_{\rho \in \mathcal{P}(n)} (1 - q)^{\mathcal{N}(\rho)} q^{-\mathcal{M}(\rho)} z^{|\rho|\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the map ξ in Lemma 4.1, one can see that $\mathcal{N}(\rho) = \mathcal{N}(\xi(\rho))$, $\mathcal{M}(\rho) = \mathcal{M}(\xi(\rho))$ and $|\rho| = |\xi(\rho)|$ for $\rho \in \mathcal{P}(n)$, and the proposition follows from (4.3). ■

The following formula provides a combinatorial description of the affine Gindikin-Karpelevich formula proved by Braverman, Finkelberg and Kazhdan.

COROLLARY 4.5. When \mathfrak{g} is an affine Kac-Moody algebra of type $A_n^{(1)}$, we have

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} I_{\mathfrak{g}}(q) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - q^{-i} z^{j\delta}}{1 - q^{-(i+1)} z^{j\delta}} \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} \left(\frac{1 - q^{-1} z^{\alpha}}{1 - z^{\alpha}} \right)^{\text{mult}(\alpha)} \\ &= \sum_{(Y_1, Y_2) \in \mathcal{Y}(\infty) \times \mathcal{Y}_0} (1 - q^{-1})^{\mathcal{N}(Y_1)} (1 - q)^{\mathcal{N}(Y_2)} q^{-\mathcal{M}(Y_2)} z^{-\text{wt}(Y_1) + |Y_2|\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, comparing (4.4) with (4.1), we obtain a combinatorial formula for the number of points in the intersection $T^{-\gamma} \cap S^0$:

COROLLARY 4.6. *We have*

$$\#(T^{-\gamma} \cap S^0) = \sum_{\substack{(Y_1, Y_2) \in \mathcal{Y}^{(\infty)} \times \mathcal{Y}_0 \\ -\text{wt}(Y_1) + |Y_2| \delta = \gamma}} (1 - q^{-1})^{\mathcal{N}(Y_1)} (1 - q)^{\mathcal{N}(Y_2)} q^{|\gamma| - \mathcal{M}(Y_2)},$$

where $\gamma \in \Lambda^+$ is identified with the corresponding element of the root lattice of \mathfrak{g} .

EXAMPLE 4.7. Assume $n = 1$ and $\gamma = \delta$. Then we have

$$(Y_1, Y_2) = \left(\emptyset, \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \right), \quad \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}, \emptyset \right), \quad \text{or} \quad \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 0 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}, \emptyset \right).$$

From the first pair, we get $(1 - q^{-1})^0 (1 - q)^1 q^{2-2} = 1 - q$. The second yields $(1 - q^{-1})^1 (1 - q)^0 q^{2-0} = q^2 - q$, and the third $(1 - q^{-1})^2 (1 - q)^0 q^{2-0} = (q - 1)^2$. Thus we have

$$\#(T^{-\gamma} \cap S^0) = 1 - q + q^2 - q + (q - 1)^2 = 2(q - 1)^2.$$

Appendix A. Implementation in Sage

Together with Lucas Roesler and Travis Scrimshaw, the fourth named author has implemented generalized Young walls and the statistics developed here in the open-source mathematical software Sage [SCc08, S⁺14]. We conclude with some examples using our package.

First we may verify examples given above. To verify Example 3.16, we have the following, where `Y.number_of_parts()` refers to $\mathcal{N}(Y)$.

```
sage: Yinf = crystals.infinity.GeneralizedYoungWalls(2)
sage: Y = Yinf([[0, 2, 1, 0, 2], [1, 0, 2], [2], [], [1]])
sage: Y.pp()
      1|
      |
      2|
    2|0|1|
    2|0|1|2|0|
sage: Y.number_of_parts()
4
```

Similarly, to see Examples 3.17 and 3.19 using Sage, use the following commands.

```
sage: Yinf = crystals.infinity.GeneralizedYoungWalls(2)
sage: row1 = [0, 2, 1]
sage: row2 = [1, 0]
sage: row3 = [2, 1, 0, 2, 1, 0, 2, 1, 0]
sage: row6 = [2, 1, 0, 2, 1, 0]
sage: Y = Yinf([row1, row2, row3, [], [], row6])
```

```
sage: Y.pp()
      0|1|2|0|1|2|
          |
          |
0|1|2|0|1|2|0|1|2|
          0|1|
          1|2|0|
sage: Y.number_of_parts()
8
```

Note that the remaining crystal structure pertaining to generalized Young walls has also been implemented. We continue using the Y from the previous example.

```
sage: Y.weight(root_lattice=True)
-7*alpha[0] - 7*alpha[1] - 6*alpha[2]
sage: Y.f(1).pp()
      0|1|2|0|1|2|
          1|
          |
0|1|2|0|1|2|0|1|2|
          0|1|
          1|2|0|
sage: Y.e(0).pp()
      1|2|0|1|2|
          |
          |
0|1|2|0|1|2|0|1|2|
          0|1|
          1|2|0|
sage: Y.content()
20
```

One may also generate the top part of the crystal graph.

```
sage: Yinf = crystals.infinity.GeneralizedYoungWalls(2)
sage: S = Yinf.subcrystal(max_depth=4)
sage: G = Yinf.digraph(subset=S)
sage: view(G, tightpage=True)
```

We conclude by mentioning that highest weight crystals realized by generalized Young walls have also been implemented in Sage, following Theorem 4.1 of [KS10].

```
sage: Delta = RootSystem(['A', 3, 1])
sage: P = Delta.weight_lattice(extended=True)
sage: La = P.fundamental_weights()
sage: YLa = crystals.GeneralizedYoungWalls(3, La[0])
sage: S = YLa.subcrystal(max_depth=6)
sage: G = YLa.digraph(subset=S)
sage: view(G, tightpage=True)
```

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