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#### PROJECTIVE NORMALITY OF THE WONDERFUL COMPACTIFICATION OF SEMISIMPLE ADJOINT GROUPS

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#### Abstract

We prove that if G is a semisimple adjoint group over an algebraically closed field of arbitrary characteristic, X is the wonderful compactification of G and  $\hat{G}$  is a simply connected covering of G, then for any ample line bundle L over X, the cone over X given by L is normal.

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## 1 Introduction

In [4], what are known as "wonderful compactifications" of symmetric varieties were constructed and studied by C. De Concini and C. Procesi. More precisely, if G is a semisimple adjoint group over the field of complex numbers, H is the subgroup of all fixed points of an involution  $\sigma$  of G that is induced by an involution  $\hat{\sigma}$  of the simply connected covering  $\hat{G}$  of G, then, they have constructed a complete embedding  $\overline{G/H}$  of the homogeneous space G/H, with boundary being a union of normal crossing divisors. In particular, one gets such a compactification  $\overline{G}$  for the group G (G being considered as  $(G \times G)/\Delta(G)$ ). In [10], E.Strickland has proved that the wonderful compactifications for the group exists over algebraically closed fields of positive characteristics. In [5], C. De Concini and T.A. Springer have proved that these compactifications for arbitrary symmetric space G/H exists when the base field is of characteristic  $p \neq 2$ . In [6], G. Faltings raised the question: For what  $\hat{G}$ - linearised line bundles L, the cone over  $\overline{G/H}$  given by L is normal?

The aim of this paper is to provide an affirmative answer to his question for the case of the wonderful compactification of a semisimple adjoint group G over an algebraically closed field of arbitrary characteristic. To be more precise, we prove that if G is a semisimple adjoint group over an algebraically closed field of arbitrary characteritic,  $\hat{G}$  is a simply connected covering of G, then for any  $\hat{G} \times \hat{G}$ - linearised very ample line bundle L over the woderful compactification  $\overline{G}$ , the cone over  $\overline{G}$  given by L is normal. In section 3, we prove this result when the base field is the field of complex numbers. For a more precise statement, see Theorem 3.4. In section 4, we prove the result for algebraically closed fields of positive characteristic by using the properties of good filtrations.

# 2 Notations and basic Theorems

Throughout sections 2 and 3, we fix the following notations: Let G be a semisimple adjoint group over the field of complex numbers. Let  $\pi: \widehat{G} \longrightarrow G$  be a simply connected covering of G. Let  $k[\widehat{G}]$  denote the co-ordinate ring of  $\widehat{G}$ . Let T be a maximal torus of G and B be a Borel subgroup of G containing T. Let  $B^-$  be the opposite Borel subgroup of G determined by T and B. Let  $\widehat{T}$  denote the pull back of T in  $\widehat{G}$ . Let  $\widehat{B}$  (resp.  $\widehat{B^-}$ ) denote the pull back of B(resp.  $B^-$ ) in  $\widehat{G}$ . Let W denote the Weyl group of G with respect to T.

Let  $\Phi$  denote the set of roots with respect to T as above and  $\Phi^+ \subset \Phi$  denote the set of positive roots with respect to B as above.

Let  $\Delta \subset \Phi^+$  denote the set of simple roots. We label the elements of  $\Delta$  by :

$$\Delta := \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_l\}, \ l = rank(G).$$

Let  $\chi$  denote the weight lattice of G with respect to T. Let  $E := \chi \bigotimes \mathbb{R}$  denote the  $\mathbb{R}$  span of  $\chi$ . Let (.,.) denote the positive definite bilinear form on E induced by the Killing form of the Lie algebra of G and define  $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \frac{2(\alpha, \beta)}{(\beta, \beta)}$ . Now, consider the fundamental weights. Since, they form a dual basis of the simple coroots, we label them:

$$\{\varpi_1, \ldots \varpi_l\},\$$

where  $\varpi_i$  is dual to  $\alpha_i$ . Let  $w_0$  denote the longest element of W with respect to  $\Delta$ .

In this paragraph, we recall some basic properties of the wonderful compactification of the symmetric spaces. Let G be a semisimple adjoint group, let  $\sigma$  be an involution of G that is induced by an involution  $\hat{\sigma}$  of  $\hat{G}$ . Let H denote the subgroup of all fixed points of  $\sigma$  in G. Let H' denote the fixed points of  $\hat{\sigma}$  in  $\hat{G}$ . Then, there exist a  $\sigma$ - stable maximal torus T of G and a Borel subgroup B of G containing T with the following property :

1. The dimension of  $\{t \in T : \sigma(t) = t^{-1}\}$  is maximal.

2. For any positive root  $\alpha$  (with respect to B), if  $\sigma(\alpha)$  is a positive root, then  $\sigma(\alpha) = \alpha$ .

Let  $\{\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \cdots \gamma_j\}$  be the set of all simple roots that are not fixed by  $\sigma$ . Then,  $\sigma$  induces a permutation  $\tilde{\sigma}$  on the set  $\{1, 2, \cdots j\}$ .

Also, there is only one closed G-orbit in the wonderful compactification  $\overline{G/H}$ , say G/P and the restriction map  $Pic(\overline{G/H}) \longrightarrow Pic(G/P)$  is injective. For a dominant weight  $\lambda$ , let  $V_{\lambda}$ denote the irreducible representation of  $\widehat{G}$  with highest weight  $\lambda$ . Let  $\lambda$  be a dominant weight such that  $V_{\lambda}^{H'}$  is non zero. Then, [by Theorem 8.3, pp 30-31 [4]], the global sections of the line bundle  $L_{\lambda}$  on  $\overline{G/H}$  is given by:

2.1  $H^0(\overline{G/H}, L_{\lambda}) = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \Gamma_{\lambda}} V_{\nu}^*$ , where  $\lambda_{\lambda}$  denote the set of all dominant weights  $\nu$  that are of the form  $\nu = \lambda - (\sum_{i < \widetilde{\sigma}(i)} m_i(\gamma_i - \sigma(\gamma_i)))$ , with  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .

Now, we apply these to our special involution  $\sigma: G \times G \longrightarrow G \times G$  sending  $(x, y) \mapsto (y, x)$ .

Here, the symmetric space is the group  $G = (G \times G)/\Delta(G)$ . Let X denote the wonderful compactification of G.

Here, we should take  $T \times T$  as a  $\sigma$ - stable maximal torus with the above maximal property. We should take  $B \times B^-$  ( $T \subset B$ ) as a Borel subgroup of  $G \times G$  containing  $T \times T$  with the above property. Here, the unique closed  $G \times G$ - orbit is  $G/B \times G/B^-$ , and the image of  $Pic(X) \longrightarrow Pic(G/B \times G/B^-)$  consists of line bundles associated to weights of the form  $(\lambda, -\lambda)$ . For any dominant weight  $\lambda$ , let  $L_{\lambda}$  denote the line bundle over X associated to  $\lambda$  and let  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda})$  denote the global sections of  $L_{\lambda}$  over X. Let  $\leq$  denote the dominant ordering on  $\chi$ . That is  $\nu \leq \lambda$  if and only if  $\lambda - \nu = \sum_{i=1} m_i \alpha_i$  for some  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .

Now, applying the above statement 2.1 to our special involution of  $G \times G$ , we have 2.2  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) = \bigoplus_{\nu \leq \lambda} End(V_{\nu}^*)$ , where the sum is taken over all dominant weights  $\nu$  such that  $\nu \leq \lambda$ .

#### 3 Projective normality

We now prove that for any line bundle  $L_{\lambda}$  on X, there is a unique (up to multiplication by a constant) injective homomorphism

$$\phi_{\lambda}: H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \longrightarrow k[\widehat{G}]$$
(3.0.1)

of  $\widehat{G}\times \widehat{G}$  modules.

For a proof of this fact: Since  $G = G \times G/\Delta(G)$  is a  $G \times G$  stable open subset of X, and the natural map  $\pi : \hat{G} = \hat{G} \times \hat{G}/\Delta(\hat{G}) \longrightarrow G = G \times G/\Delta(G)$  is a surjection, the natural map  $\pi : \hat{G} = \hat{G} \times \hat{G}/\Delta(\hat{G}) \longrightarrow X$  is a dominant map and hence for any line bundle L over  $X, H^0(X, L)$  is a  $\hat{G} \times \hat{G}$ - sub module of the  $\hat{G} \times \hat{G}$  module  $H^0(\hat{G}, L)$ . Since  $k[\hat{G}]$  is a unique factorisation domain, the pull back  $\pi^*(L)$  on  $\hat{G}$  is trivial and hence we have

$$H^0(\widehat{G},L) = k[\widehat{G}].$$

Moreover, this identification is unique up to constants since the units of the k- algebra  $k[\hat{G}]$  are only nonzero constants. Thus, (3.0.1) holds.

We now prove that for any two line bundles  $L_{\lambda}$  and  $L_{\mu}$ , the following diagram is commutative:

Here the horizontal arrows are the natural maps, the vertical map on the left is  $\phi_{\lambda} \otimes \phi_{\mu}$  and the vertical map on the right is  $\phi_{\lambda+\mu}$ .

For a proof of this observation:

By the Peter-Weyl Theorem, the  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$ - module  $k[\widehat{G}] = \bigoplus_{\nu} End(V_{\nu}^*)$ , where the sum is taken over all dominant weights  $\nu$ . Using this and the fact that  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) = \bigoplus_{\nu \leq \lambda} End(V_{\nu}^*)$ , it is easy to see that (3.0.2) holds.

Now, we prove the following Lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two dominant weights. Let  $\lambda_1$  be a dominant weight such that  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda$  and  $\mu_1$  be a dominant weight such that  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$ . Let  $\nu$  be a dominant weight such that  $V_{\nu}$  is a  $\widehat{G}$ - submodule of the tensor product  $V_{\lambda_1} \otimes V_{\mu_1}$ . Then, the image of  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) \otimes End(V_{\mu_1}^*)$  under the multiplication map  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \otimes H^0(X, L_{\mu}) \longrightarrow H^0(X, L_{\lambda+\mu})$  contains  $End(V_{\nu}^*)$ .

**Proof:** Since  $\widehat{G}$  is linearly reductive and  $V_{\nu}^*$  is a quotient of  $V_{\lambda_1}^* \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}^*$ , we can assume that  $V_{\nu}^*$  is a submodule of  $V_{\lambda_1}^* \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}^*$ .

Now, consider the  $\widehat{B}$  action on  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*)$  on the right and consider the  $\widehat{B^-}$  action on  $End(V_{\mu_1}^*)$  on the right. By the observation 2.2 and the hypothesis  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda$  and  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$ , we have  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) \subset H^0(X, L_{\lambda})$  and  $End(V_{\mu_1}^*) \subset H^0(X, L_{\mu})$ . So, by our identification (3.0.1), we have  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) \subset H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \subset k[\widehat{G}]$  and  $End(V_{\mu_1}^*) \subset H^0(X, L_{\mu}) \subset k[\widehat{G}]$ . Therefore, by the Borel-Weil Theorem [cf [1]], we have  $V_{\lambda_1}^* = \{f \in End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) : f(xb) = \lambda_1(b).f(x) \text{ for } x \in \widehat{G}, b \in \widehat{B}\} = \{f \in k[\widehat{G}] : f(xb) = \lambda_1(b).f(x) \text{ for } x \in \widehat{G}, b \in \widehat{B}\}$  and  $V_{\mu_1}^* = \{f \in End(V_{\mu_1}^*) : f(xb^-) = w_0(\mu_1)(b^-).f(x) \text{ for } x \in \widehat{G}, b^- \in \widehat{B^-}\} = \{f \in k[\widehat{G}] : f(xb^-) = w_0(\mu_1)(b^-).f(x) \text{ for } x \in \widehat{G}, b^- \in \widehat{B^-}\}.$ 

Fix our choice of  $V_{\lambda_1}^*$  and  $V_{\mu_1}^*$  as above and let  $f = \sum_i f_i \otimes g_i \in V_{\lambda_1}^* \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}^*$ ,  $f_i \in V_{\lambda_1}^*$ ,  $g_i \in V_{\mu_1}^*$  be such that  $(\sum_i f_i \otimes g_i)(x, x)$  is zero, for every  $x \in \widehat{G}$ . Then, we have  $f((xb, xb^-)) = (\lambda_1(b))(w_0(\mu_1)(b^-))f(x, x) = 0$  for every  $x \in \widehat{G}$ ,  $b \in B$  and  $b^- \in B^-$ . Since the elements  $(xb, xb^-)$  form a dense open set in  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$ , f must vanish identically on  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$ . Thus,  $V_{\lambda_1}^* \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}^*$  is mapped injectively via the multiplication map  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) \bigotimes End(V_{\mu_1}^*) \subset k[\widehat{G}] \bigotimes k[\widehat{G}] \longrightarrow k[\widehat{G}]$ . By the hypothesis  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda$ ,  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$  and by Theorem(2.1), we have  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) \subset H^0(X, L_{\lambda})$ and  $End(V_{\mu_1}^*) \subset H^0(X, L_{\mu})$ . Therefore, by the observation (3.0.2), the  $\widehat{G}$  module  $V_{\lambda_1}^* \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}^*$ is mapped injectively into  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda+\mu})$  via the multiplication map  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \bigotimes H^0(X, L_{\mu})$   $\longrightarrow H^0(X, L_{\lambda+\mu})$ . Since  $V_{\nu}^*$  is a  $\widehat{G}$ - submodule of  $V_{\lambda_1}^* \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}^*$ ,  $V_{\nu}^*$  must be isomorphic to a  $\widehat{G}$ submodule of the image of  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) \bigotimes End(V_{\mu_1}^*)$ . Since the image of  $End(V_{\lambda_1}^*) \bigotimes End(V_{\mu_1}^*)$  is a  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$  submodule of  $k[\widehat{G}]$ , it must contain  $End(V_{\nu}^*)$ .

Therefore, using the diagram (3.0.2), it is easy to see that  $End(V_{\nu}^*)$  is a  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$ -submodule of the image of  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \bigotimes H^0(X, L_{\mu}) \longrightarrow H^0(X, L_{\lambda+\mu})$  under the multiplication map.

This completes the proof of the Lemma.

We now prove the following Lemma.

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two dominant weights. Let  $\nu$  be a dominant weight satisfying  $\nu \leq \lambda + \mu$ . Then, there is a dominant weight  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda$  and there is a dominant weight  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$  such that  $V_{\nu}$  is  $\widehat{G}$ -submodule of the tensor product  $V_{\lambda_1} \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two dominant weights. Let  $\nu$  be a dominant weight such that  $\nu \leq \lambda + \mu$ . We wish to prove that there are dominant weights  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\mu_1$  such that  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda$ ,  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$ 

and an element w of the Weyl group W such that  $\nu = \lambda_1 + w(\mu_1)$ , and then using PRV conjecture [cf [9]], we prove that  $V_{\nu}$  is a  $\hat{G}$ - submodule of the tensor product  $V_{\lambda_1} \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}$ .

By [sections (13.4) and (21.3)] of [8]],  $\nu$  is a weight of  $V_{\lambda+\mu}$ . Therefore, we have  $\nu = \nu_1 + \nu_2$ , where  $\nu_1$  is a weight of  $V_{\lambda}$  and  $\nu_2$  is a weight of  $V_{\mu}$ . We have  $\lambda - \nu_1 = (\sum_{i=1}^{l} m_i \alpha_i)$  for some  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ .

We first prove that there is a dominant weight  $\lambda_1$  such that  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda$  and there is a weight  $\nu'_2$  of  $V_{\mu}$  such that  $\nu = \lambda_1 + \nu'_2$  by induction on the sum  $\sum_i^l m_i$ .

If  $\sum_{i}^{l} m_{i} = 0$ , there is nothing to prove.

If  $\sum_{i}^{l} m_{i} = 1$ , then, we have  $\nu_{1} = \lambda - \alpha_{i_{0}}$  for some  $i_{0} \in \{1, 2, \dots l\}$ . Now, if  $\nu_{1}$  is dominant, then there is nothing to prove. Otherwise,  $\langle \nu_{1}, \alpha_{i_{0}} \rangle$  is negative. Since  $\nu = \nu_{1} + \nu_{2}$  is dominant,  $\langle \nu_{2}, \alpha_{i_{0}} \rangle$  is positive. But, we know that  $\nu_{1} + k\alpha_{i_{0}}$  is a weight of  $V_{\lambda}$  for any  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots - \langle \nu_{1}, \alpha_{i_{0}} \rangle\}$ and  $\nu_{2} - k\alpha_{i_{0}}$  is a weight of  $V_{\mu}$  for any  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots \langle \nu_{2}, \alpha_{i_{0}} \rangle\}$  [cf [sections (13.4) and (21.3) of [8]]]. In particular,  $\nu_{1} + \alpha_{i_{0}} = \lambda$  is a weight of  $V_{\lambda}$  (which is ofcourse trivial) and  $\nu_{2} - \alpha_{i_{0}}$  is a weight of  $V_{\mu}$  and we also have  $\nu = \lambda + \nu_{2} - \alpha_{i_{0}}$ . Therefore, in this case, we take  $\lambda_{1} = \lambda$  and  $\nu'_{2} = \nu_{2} - \alpha_{i_{0}}$ .

Now, let N be a positive integer strictly bigger than 1. Let us assume that the statement is true for all  $\nu$  such that  $\nu = \nu_1 + \nu_2$ , where  $\nu_1 = \lambda - \sum_{i=1}^l m_i \alpha_i$  being a weight of  $V_{\lambda}$  with the sum  $\sum_{i=1}^l m_i \leq N - 1$  and  $\nu_2$  being a weight of  $V_{\mu}$ .

Let  $\nu$  be a dominant weight such that  $\nu \leq \lambda$  and  $\nu = \nu_1 + \nu_2$  where  $\nu_1$  is a weight of  $V_{\lambda}$ ,  $\nu_2$  is a weight of  $V_{\mu}$  with  $\nu_1 = \lambda - \sum_i m_i \alpha_i$  and the sum  $\sum_{i=1}^l m_i = N$ . If  $\nu_1$  is dominant, then, there is nothing to prove. Otherwise, there is a simple root  $\alpha_{i_0}$  such that  $\langle \nu_1, \alpha_{i_0} \rangle < 0$ .

By a proof similar to the case when  $\sum_{i}^{l} m_{i} = 1$ , it is easy to see that  $\nu_{1} + \alpha_{i_{0}}$  is a weight of  $V_{\lambda}$  and  $\nu_{2} - \alpha_{i_{0}}$  is a weight of  $V_{\mu}$ . Also, we have  $\nu = (\nu_{1} + \alpha_{i_{0}}) + (\nu_{2} - \alpha_{i_{0}})$ . Therefore, by induction, there exist a dominant weight  $\lambda_{1} \leq \lambda$  and a weight  $\nu_{2}$  of  $V_{\mu}$  such that

$$\nu = \lambda_1 + \nu_2'.$$

We fix our choice of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\nu'_2$  as above. Since  $\nu'_2$  is a weight of  $V_{\mu}$ ,  $w(\nu'_2)$  is also a weight of  $V_{\mu}$  for every  $w \in W$ . Thus, the unique dominant weight (say  $\mu_1 = w^{-1}(\nu'_2)$ ) in the W orbit of  $\nu'_2$  must also be a weight of  $V_{\mu}$ .

Hence, we have  $\nu = \lambda_1 + w(\mu_1)$  where  $\lambda_1$  is a dominant weight satisfying  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda$ ,  $\mu_1$  is a dominant weight satisfying  $\mu_1 \leq \mu$  and w is an element of the Weyl group W.

Now, the fact that  $V_{\nu}$  is a  $\widehat{G}$ - submodule of the tensor product  $V_{\lambda_1} \bigotimes V_{\mu_1}$  follows from PRV Conjecture [cf [9]].

This completes the proof of this Lemma.

We have

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two dominant weights. Then, the multiplication map

$$H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \bigotimes H^0(X, L_{\mu}) \longrightarrow H^0(X, L_{\lambda+\mu})$$
 is onto

**Proof:** Proof of this is an immediate consequence of Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let G be a semisimple adjoint group over the field of complex numbers. Let  $\pi: \widehat{G} \longrightarrow G$  be a simply connected covering of G. Let X denote the wonderful compactification of G. Let L be an ample line bundle over X. Consider the embedding of X in  $\mathbb{P}(H^0(X, L)^*)$ . Let  $\widehat{X}$  denote the cone over X with respect to this embedding of X. Then,  $\widehat{X}$  is normal.

**Proof:** By [4], we have  $L = L_{\lambda}$  for some regular dominant weight  $\lambda$ . By [II (5.14)(d)] of [7], it suffices to prove that the multiplication map

$$H^0(X, L_\lambda)^{\otimes N} \longrightarrow H^0(X, L_{N\lambda})$$
(3.4.1)

is surjective for every positive integer N. The proof of this is an immediate consequence of Corollary 3.3.

We have

**Corollary 3.5.** Let w be an element of the Weyl group W. Let  $X_w$  denote the scheme theoretic closure of the cell BwB in X. Let L be a  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$  linearised very ample line bundle over X and let  $\widehat{X_w}$  denote the cone over the embedding given by L. Then,  $\widehat{X_w}$  is normal.

**Proof:** By [Corollary 3, [3]], the restriction map  $H^0(X, L^{\otimes n}) \longrightarrow H^0(X_w, L^{\otimes n})$  is surjective for every positive integer  $n \cdots (3.5.1)$ .

Now, consider the following commutative diagram of maps:

Here the horizontal arrows are the natural multiplication maps and the vertical arrows are restriction maps.

The assertion of the corollary follows from the observations 3.5.1, 3.5.2 and Corollary 3.3.

### 4 Appendix:

In this section, we prove the analogue of Theorem 3.4 when the base field is of positive characteristic.

Let k be an algebraically closed field of positive characteristic. Let G be a semisimple adjoint group over k. Let  $\widehat{G}$  be a simply connected covering of G. Let X denote the wonderful compactification of G. Let T, B,  $B^-$ ,  $\widehat{T}$ ,  $\widehat{B}$ ,  $\widehat{B^-}$  be as in section 2.

With the notations as in section 2, we introduce some more notations as follows: Let  $\chi$  denote the weight lattice of G with respect to T. So,  $\chi \times \chi$  is the weight lattice of  $G \times G$  with respect to  $T \times T$ .

For any weight  $\lambda \in \chi$ , set  $V_{\lambda} := H^0(G/B, L_{w_0(-\lambda)})$ .

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $\widehat{G}$  be as above. Let V be a  $\widehat{G}$  module. A filtration of  $\widehat{G}$ - submodules  $(0) = V_0 \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \cdots \lor V_n = V$  is a good filtration if each  $V_{i+1}/V_i$  is a direct sum of  $V(\lambda_{i(j)})$ 's for some dominant weights  $\lambda_{i(j)}$ 's.

As in section 2, let  $\Delta = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l\}$  denote the set of simple roots with respect to T and B.

Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be two dominant weights in  $\chi$ .

Let  $L_{\lambda}$  (resp.  $L_{\mu}$ ) denote the line bundle over X associated to  $(\lambda, -\lambda)$  (resp. to  $(\mu, -\mu)$ ). Let  $\nu$  be a dominant weight such that  $\nu \leq \lambda + \mu$ ). Let  $\phi : H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \bigotimes H^0(X, L_{\mu}) \longrightarrow H^0(X, L_{\lambda+\mu})$  denote the multiplication map.

Then, we have

**Lemma 4.2.** The  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$ -module  $V_{w_0(-\nu)} \bigotimes V_{\nu}$  is a  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$ -subquotient of the image  $\phi(H^0(X, L_{\lambda}) \bigotimes H^0(X, L_{\mu})).$ 

**Proof:** By Donkin's conjecture [cf Theorem 4.4.3, [11]], a tensor product of two modules with good filtrations has a good filtration. By Theorem 5.10 of [5],  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda_1})$  (resp.  $H^0(X, L_{\mu_1})$ ) has a good filtration of  $\hat{G} \times \hat{G}$ -submodules such that the successive quotients look like  $V_{w_0(-\nu)} \bigotimes V_{\nu}$ ,  $\nu \leq \lambda_1$  (resp.  $\nu \leq \mu_1$ ). Therefore, the tensor product  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda_1}) \bigotimes H^0(X, L_{\mu_1})$  has a good filtration of  $\hat{G} \times \hat{G}$ -submodules.

Now, let H be a semisimple Chevalley algebraic group over the field of complex numbers. Let  $H_p$  be the corresponding algebraic group in characteristic p. Now, if  $V_p$  is a  $H_p$ -module having a good filtration in characteristic p such that it comes from a H-module V modulo p, then the character of V is same as the chracter of  $V_p$  and so the  $H_p$ - subquotients of  $V_p$  are precisely the H- direct summands of V.

Now, let  $M_{\nu}$  (resp.  $M'_{\nu}$ ) be the largest  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$  submodule of the tensor product

 $H^0(X, L_{\lambda_1}) \bigotimes H^0(X, L_{\mu_1})$  all of whose  $B \times B$ - weights are  $\leq (-w_0(\nu), \nu)$  (resp.  $< (-w_0(\nu), \nu)$ ). Also, let  $N_{\nu}$  and  $N'_{\nu}$  be the corresponding submodules of  $H^0(X, L_{\lambda_1+\mu_1})$ . Therefore, from Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, and by the observation above,  $\phi$  induces a non zero  $\widehat{G} \times \widehat{G}$ - module homomorphism from the quotient  $(V_{-w_0(\nu)} \bigotimes V_{\nu})^m = M_{\nu}/M'_{\nu} \longrightarrow N_{\nu}/N'_{\nu} = V_{-w_0(\nu)} \bigotimes V_{\nu}$  for some positive integer m. Therefore, by the Frobenius reciprocity [cf Proposition 2.1.6 [11]], the assertion follows.

The Theorem (3.4) for positive characteristic follows from Lemma(4.2).

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