

March 7: Vinoth Nandakumar (MIT), “Equivariant coherent sheaves on the exotic nilpotent cone.”

Let $G = Sp_{2n}(\mathbb{C})$, and \mathcal{N} be Kato’s exotic nilpotent cone. By studying the category of G -equivariant coherent sheaves on \mathcal{N} , we prove that there is a canonical bijection between Λ^+ (the dominant weights) and

$$\mathbb{O} = \{(\mathcal{O}, L) \mid \mathcal{O} \text{ a } G \text{ orbit on } \mathcal{N}, L \text{ a irreducible equivariant vector bundle on } \mathcal{O}\}.$$

This is an analogue of Bezrukavnikov’s proof of the same result (conjectured by Lusztig) for the ordinary nilpotent cone.

First one proves that the higher cohomology of dominant line bundles $\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{\mathcal{N}}}(\lambda)$ (on the exotic Springer resolution) vanishes, using techniques of Broer. We also compute the global sections of these bundles as G -modules. Next, we construct a quasi-exceptional set generating the category $D^b(\text{Coh}^G(\tilde{\mathcal{N}}))$, indexed by Λ^+ , and prove that the resulting t -structure coincides with the perverse coherent t -structure. Examining the bijection between costandard objects and irreducible objects in the heart of this t -structure will now give the required result.