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# Existence of Kirillov–Reshetikhin Crystals for Multiplicity-Free Nodes

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## Abstract

We show that the Kirillov–Reshetikhin crystal  $B^{r,s}$  exists when r is a node such that the Kirillov–Reshetikhin module  $W^{r,s}$  has a multiplicity-free classical decomposition.

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## §1. Introduction

Kirillov–Reshetikhin (KR) modules are a class of finite-dimensional representations of an affine quantum group  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$  without the degree operator that is classified by their Drinfel'd polynomials, that have received significant attention. We denote a KR module by  $W^{r,s}$ , where r is a node of the classical (i.e. underlying finite type) Dynkin diagram and  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . One construction of a KR module  $W^{r,s}$  is by computing the minimal affinization of the highest weight  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ -module  $V(s\overline{\Lambda}_r)$  [Cha95, CP95a, CP96a, CP96b], where  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  is the classical Lie algebra. Another method is by using the fusion construction of [KKM<sup>+</sup>92] from the image under an *R*-matrix of an *s*-fold tensor product of the fundamental module  $W^{r,1}$ (see, e.g., [Kas02]). KR modules are also known to have special properties. The classical decomposition, the branching rule of  $W^{r,s}$  to a  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ -module, is given by a fermionic formula [DFK08, Her10], which leads to the (virtual) Kleber algorithm [Kle98, OSS03]. The characters (resp. *q*-characters) of KR modules also satisfy the *Q*-system (resp. *T*-system) relations [Her10, Nak03]. Furthermore, the graded characters of (Demazure submodules of) a tensor product of fundamental

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modules are (nonsymmetric) Macdonald polynomials at t = 0 [LNS<sup>+</sup>15, LNS<sup>+</sup>16a] ([LNS<sup>+</sup>17]).

One important (conjectural) property [HKO<sup>+</sup>99, HKO<sup>+</sup>02] is that the KR module  $W^{r,s}$  admits a crystal base [Kas90, Kas91], which is known as a Kirillov– Reshetikhin (KR) crystal and denoted by  $B^{r,s}$ . Kashiwara showed that all fundamental modules  $W^{r,1}$  have crystal bases [Kas02]. It was shown that  $B^{r,s}$  exists in all nonexceptional types in [Oka07, OS08] and in types  $G_2^{(1)}$  and  $D_4^{(3)}$ in [KMOY07, Nao18, Yam98]. For all affine types, the existence of  $B^{r,s}$  has been proven when r is adjacent to 0 or in the orbit of 0 under a Dynkin diagram automorphism (equivalently,  $W^{r,s}$  is irreducible as  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module) [KKM<sup>+</sup>92].

Our main result is that the KR module  $W^{r,s}$  has a crystal base whenever its classical decomposition is multiplicity-free in all affine types. We do this by showing the existence of  $B^{r,s}$  in the cases not covered by [KKM<sup>+</sup>92, Oka07, OS08]. More explicitly, we show this for r = 3, 5 in type  $E_6^{(1)}$ , for r = 2, 6 in type  $E_7^{(1)}$ , for r = 7 in type  $E_8^{(1)}$  and for r = 4 in types  $F_4^{(1)}$  and  $E_6^{(2)}$ , where we label the Dynkin diagrams following [Bou02] (see also Figure 1 for the labeling). Using the techniques developed in [KKM<sup>+</sup>92], our proof shows the existence of a crystal pseudobase (L, B) by using the fusion construction of  $W^{r,s}$  and is similar to [Oka07, OS08] by calculating the prepolarization for certain vectors. From there, we can construct the associated crystal by  $B/\{\pm 1\}$ .

Let us describe some possible applications of our results. The X = M conjecture [HKO<sup>+</sup>99, HKO<sup>+</sup>02] arises from mathematical physics relating vertex models and the Bethe ansatz of Heisenberg spin chains, and the X side requires the existence of KR crystals. A uniform model for  $B^{r,1}$  was given using quantum and projected level-zero LS paths [LNS<sup>+</sup>15, LNS<sup>+</sup>16b, LNS<sup>+</sup>16a, NS06, NS08a, NS08b]. Since the KR crystal  $B^{r,s}$  exists, we have a partial (conjectural) combinatorial description from [LS19] using  $(B^{r,1})^{\otimes s}$ , partially mimicking the fusion construction.

After completion of this paper, we learned that Naoi independently proved all cases in type  $E_6^{(1)}$  [NS19], which has since become a collaboration with the second author.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we give the necessary background. In Section 3 we show our main result: that the KR modules  $W^{r,s}$  has a crystal pseudobase whenever  $W^{r,s}$  has a multiplicity-free classical decomposition.

### §2. Background

In this section we provide the necessary background.

Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be an affine Kac–Moody Lie algebra with index set I, Cartan matrix  $A = (A_{ij})_{i,j \in I}$ , simple roots  $(\alpha_i)_{i \in I}$ , simple coroots  $(h_i)_{i \in I}$ , fundamental weights



Figure 1. Dynkin diagrams for affine type  $E_{6,7,8}^{(1)}$ ,  $F_4^{(1)}$  and  $E_6^{(2)}$ .

 $(\Lambda_i)_{i \in I}$ , weight lattice P, dominant weights  $P^+$ , coweight lattice  $P^{\vee}$  and canonical pairing  $\langle , \rangle \colon P^{\vee} \times P \to \mathbb{Z}$  given by  $\langle h_i, \alpha_j \rangle = A_{ij}$ . We note that we follow the labeling given in [Bou02] (see Figure 1 for the exceptional types and their labelings). Let  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  denote the canonical simple Lie algebra given by the index set  $I_0 = I \setminus \{0\}$ . Let  $\overline{\lambda}$  denote the natural projection of  $\lambda \in P$  onto the weight lattice  $P_0$  of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$ , so  $\{\overline{\Lambda}_r\}_{r\in I_0}$  are the fundamental weights of  $\mathfrak{g}_0$ .Let  $\overline{\varpi}_r = \Lambda_r - \langle c, \Lambda_r \rangle \Lambda_0$ , where c is the canonical central element of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , denote the level-zero fundamental weights. Let q be an indeterminate, and we denote

$$[m]_q = \frac{q^m - q^{-m}}{q - q^{-1}}, \quad [k]_q! = [k]_q [k - 1]_q \cdots [1]_q,$$
$$\binom{m}{k}_q = \frac{[m]_q [m - 1]_q \cdots [m - k + 1]_q}{[k]_q !},$$

for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . Let  $q_i = q^{s_i}$  and  $K_i = q^{s_i h_i}$ , where  $(s_1, \ldots, s_n)$  is the diagonal symmetrizing matrix of A.

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### §2.1. Quantum groups

Let  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g}) = U_q([\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}])$  denote the quantum group of the derived subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . More specifically, the quantum group  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$  is the associative  $\mathbb{Q}(q)$ -algebra generated by  $e_i, f_i, q^h$ , where  $i \in I$  and  $h \in P^{\vee}$ , that satisfies the relations

$$q^{0} = 1, \quad q^{h}q^{h'} = q^{h+h'} \quad \text{for } h, h' \in P^{\vee},$$

$$q^{h}e_{i}q^{-h} = q^{\langle h,\alpha_{i}\rangle}e_{i}, \quad q^{h}f_{i}q^{-h} = q^{-\langle h,\alpha_{i}\rangle}f_{i} \quad \text{for } h \in P^{\vee}, i \in I,$$

$$e_{i}f_{j} - f_{j}e_{i} = \delta_{ij}\frac{K_{i} - K_{i}^{-1}}{q_{i} - q_{i}^{-1}} \quad \text{for } i, j \in I,$$

and the (quantum) Serre relations

$$\sum_{k=0}^{1-A_{ij}} (-1)^k e_i^{(k)} e_j e_i^{(1-A_{ij}-k)} = 0, \quad \sum_{k=0}^{1-A_{ij}} (-1)^k f_i^{(k)} f_j f_i^{(1-A_{ij}-k)} = 0,$$

where  $e_i^{(k)} = e_i^k / [k]_{q_i}!$  and  $f_i^{(k)} = f_i^k / [k]_{q_i}!$  for all  $i, j \in I$  such that  $i \neq j$ . We recall that  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$  is a Hopf algebra; in particular, there exists a coproduct so we can take tensor products of  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules.

Denote the weight lattice of  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$  by  $P' = P/\mathbb{Z}\delta$ , where  $\delta$  is the null root of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Therefore, there is a linear dependence relation on the simple roots in P'. As we will not be considering  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules in this paper, we will abuse notation and denote the  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -weight lattice by P. For a  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module M and  $\lambda \in P$ , we denote the  $\lambda$  weight space by

$$M_{\lambda} = \{ v \in M \mid q^h v = q^{\langle h, \lambda \rangle} v \text{ for all } h \in P^{\vee} \}$$

If  $v \in M_{\lambda} \setminus \{0\}$ , then we say  $wt(v) = \lambda$ .

For  $\lambda \in P_0^+$ , we denote the highest weight  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ -module by  $V(\lambda)$ .

## §2.2. Crystal (pseudo)bases and polarizations

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the subring of  $\mathbb{Q}(q)$  of rational functions without poles at 0. A *crystal* base of an integrable  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module M is a pair (L, B), where L is a free  $\mathcal{A}$ -module and B is a basis of the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector space L/qL, such that

- (1)  $M \cong \mathbb{Q}(q) \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} L$ , (2)  $L \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda \in P} L_{\lambda}$  with  $L_{\lambda} = L \cap M_{\lambda}$ , (3)  $\tilde{e}_i L \subseteq L$  and  $\tilde{f}_i L \subseteq L$  for all  $i \in I$ , (4)  $B = \bigsqcup_{\lambda \in P} B_{\lambda}$  with  $B_{\lambda} = B \cap (L_{\lambda}/qL_{\lambda})$ , (5)  $\tilde{e}_i B \subseteq B \sqcup \{0\}$  and  $\tilde{f}_i B \subseteq B \sqcup \{0\}$ ,
  - (6)  $\widetilde{f}_i b = b'$  if and only if  $\widetilde{e}_i b' = b$  for all  $b, b' \in B$  and  $i \in I$ .

We say that (L, B) is a *crystal pseudobase* of M if it satisfies the conditions above for  $B = B' \sqcup (-B')$ , where B' is a basis of L/qL.

Let M be a  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module. A *prepolarization* is a symmetric bilinear form  $(, ): M \times M \to \mathbb{Q}(q)$  that satisfies

(2.1) 
$$(q^h v, w) = (v, q^h w), \quad (e_i v, w) = (v, q_i^{-1} K_i^{-1} f_i w), \quad (f_i v, w) = (v, q_i^{-1} K_i e_i w)$$

for all  $i \in I$ , and  $v, w \in M$ .<sup>1</sup> Denote  $||v||^2 = (v, v)$ . If a prepolarization is positive definite with respect to the total order on  $\mathbb{Q}(q)$ ,

$$f > g$$
 if and only if  $f - g \in \bigsqcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \{q^n(d + q\mathcal{A}) \mid d \in \mathbb{Q}_{>0}\}$ 

(with  $f \ge g$  defined as f = g or f > g), then it is called a *polarization*.

## §2.3. Kirillov–Reshetikhin modules and the fusion construction

Consider the subalgebras of  $\mathbb{Q}(q)$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{Z}} = \{ f(q)/g(q) \mid f(q), g(q) \in \mathbb{Z}[q], \ g(0) = 1 \}, \quad K_{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{Z}}[q^{-1}].$$

Let  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}$  denote the  $K_{\mathbb{Z}}$ -subalgebra of  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$  generated by  $e_i$ ,  $f_i$ ,  $q^h$  for all  $i \in I$  and  $h \in P^{\vee}$ . The following is a combination of [KKM<sup>+</sup>92, Prop. 2.6.1] and [KKM<sup>+</sup>92, Prop. 2.6.2].

**Proposition 2.1.** Let M be a finite-dimensional integrable  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module. Suppose M has a prepolarization (, ) and a  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}$ -submodule  $M_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}$  such that  $(M_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}, M_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Z}}$ . Assume  $M \cong \bigoplus_{k=1}^{m} V(\overline{\lambda}_k)$  as  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ -modules, with  $\overline{\lambda}_k \in P_0^+$  for all k, such that there exists  $u_k \in (M_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}})_{\lambda_k}$  such that  $(u_k, u_\ell) \in \delta_{k\ell} + q\mathcal{A}$  and  $\|e_i u_k\|^2 \in q_i^{-2\langle h_i, \lambda_k \rangle - 2} q\mathcal{A}$  for all  $i \in I_0$ . Then (, ) is a polarization and for

$$L = \{ v \in M \mid ||v||^2 \in \mathcal{A} \}, \quad B = \{ b \in (M_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}} \cap L) / (M_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}} \cap qL) \mid (b, b)_0 = 1 \},$$

where  $(, )_0: L/qL \to \mathbb{Q}$  is the bilinear form induced by (, ) and the pair (L, B) is a crystal pseudobase of M.

For an indeterminate z, let  $M_z$  denote the  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module  $\mathbb{Q}(q)[z, z^{-1}] \otimes M$ , where  $e_i$  and  $f_i$  act by  $z^{\delta_{0i}} \otimes e_i$  and  $z^{-\delta_{0i}} \otimes f_i$  is called the *affinization module* of M. For  $a \in \mathbb{Q}(q)$ , define the *evaluation module*  $M_a = M_z/(z-a)M_z$ . For  $v \in M$ , let  $v_a$  denote the corresponding element in  $M_a$  (i.e., the projection of  $1 \otimes v$ ). Let  $W(\varpi_r)$  denote the fundamental module from [Kas02].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For  $U_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -modules M, N, a pairing (, ):  $M \times N \to \mathbb{Q}(q)$  that satisfies (2.1) is often called admissible.

**Proposition 2.2** ([Kas02, Prop. 9.3]). Consider nonzero  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}(q)$  such that  $a/b \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then for any  $r \in I_0$ , there exists a unique nonzero  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module homomorphism

$$R_{a,b}: W(\varpi_r)_a \otimes W(\varpi_r)_b \to W(\varpi_r)_b \otimes W(\varpi_r)_a$$

that satisfies  $R_{a,b}(u_a \otimes u_b) = u_b \otimes u_a$  for some nonzero  $u \in W(\varpi_r)_{\varpi_r}$ . The map  $R_{a,b}$  is called the (normalized) R-matrix and satisfies the Yang-Baxter equation.

Denote

$$W(\varpi_r; a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = W(\varpi_r)_{a_1} \otimes W(\varpi_r)_{a_2} \otimes \dots \otimes W(\varpi_r)_{a_m}.$$

Let  $\kappa = s_i$  if  $\mathfrak{g}$  is of untwisted affine type and  $\kappa = 1$  if  $\mathfrak{g}$  is of twisted affine type. Since the *R*-matrix satisfies the Yang–Baxter equation, we can define the map

$$R_s \colon W(\varpi_r; q^{\kappa(s-1)}, q^{\kappa(s-3)}, \dots, q^{\kappa(1-s)}) \to W(\varpi_r; q^{\kappa(1-s)}, \dots, q^{\kappa(s-3)}, q^{\kappa(s-1)})$$

by applying the *R*-matrix on every pair of factors according to the long element of the symmetric group on *s* letters  $(q^{\kappa(s-1)}, q^{\kappa(s-3)}, \ldots, q^{\kappa(1-s)})$ . Let  $W^{r,s}$  denote the image of  $R_s$ , which is a simple  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ -module [Kas02], and we call  $W^{r,s}$  a *Kirillov–Reshetikhin (KR) module*. From [CP95b, CP98], the module  $W^{r,s}$  satisfies the Drinfel'd polynomial characterization of the usual definition of a KR module.

**Lemma 2.3** ([KKM<sup>+</sup>92, Lem. 3.4.1]). Let  $M_j$  and  $N_j$ , for j = 1, 2, be  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})$ modules such that there exists a pairing  $(, )_j \colon M_j \times N_j \to \mathbb{Q}(q)$  satisfying (2.1).
Then there exists a pairing  $(, ) \colon (M_1 \otimes M_2) \times (N_1 \otimes N_2) \to \mathbb{Q}(q)$  defined by

 $(u_1 \otimes u_2, v_1 \otimes v_2) = (u_1, v_1)_1 (u_2, v_2)_2$ 

for all  $u_j \in M_j$  and  $v_j \in N_j$  with j = 1, 2, that satisfies (2.1).

**Remark 2.4.** We note that there exists a  $u \in W(\varpi_r)_{\varpi_r}$  such that  $||u||^2 = 1$  since there exists  $1 \otimes u \in (W(\varpi_r)_z)_{\varpi_r}$  such that  $||1 \otimes u||^2 = 1$  by [Kas91, Nak04] and we have  $||z^k \otimes u||^2 = ||1 \otimes u||^2 = ||u||^2$  by [Nak04, Lem. 4.7] as  $W(\varpi_r) = W(\varpi_r)_1$ .

**Proposition 2.5** ([KKM<sup>+</sup>92, Prop. 3.4.3]). Let  $u \in W(\varpi_r)_{\varpi_r}$  be a vector such that  $||u||^2 = 1$ .

- (1) The pairing  $(, ): W^{r,s} \times W^{r,s} \to \mathbb{Q}(q)$  constructed using Lemma 2.3 and the prepolarization on  $W^{r,1}$  (see [Kas02]) is a nondegenerate prepolarization on  $W^{r,s}$ .
- (2)  $\left\| R_s(u_{a^{\kappa(s-1)}} \otimes u_{a^{\kappa(s-3)}} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{a^{\kappa(1-s)}}) \right\|^2 = 1.$

Table 1. The nodes r such that we show  $B^{r,s}$  exists.

g	$E_{6}^{(1)}$	$E_{7}^{(1)}$	$E_8^{(1)}$	$F_{4}^{(1)}$	$E_{6}^{(2)}$
r	3, 5	2, 6	1	4	4

(3)  $((W^{r,s})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}, (W^{r,s})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}) \subseteq K_{\mathbb{Z}}$ , where

$$(W^{r,s})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}} = R_s \left( \bigotimes_{k=0}^{s-1} U'_q(\mathfrak{g})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}} u_{q^{\kappa(s-1-2k)}} \right) \cap \left( \bigotimes_{k=0}^{s-1} U'_q(\mathfrak{g})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}} u_{q^{\kappa(s-1-2k)}} \right)$$

is a  $U'_q(\mathfrak{g})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}}$ -submodule of  $W^{r,s}$ .

## §3. Existence of KR crystals

This section is devoted to proving our main result.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let r be such that  $W^{r,s}$  is multiplicity-free as a  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ -module for all  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . Then  $W^{r,s}$  admits a crystal pseudobase. Moreover, the KR crystal  $B^{r,s}$  exists.

We prove Theorem 3.1 case by case. When r is adjacent to 0 or in the orbit of 0 under a Dynkin diagram automorphism, Theorem 3.1 was shown in [KKM<sup>+</sup>92]. Theorem 3.1 was shown in nonexceptional affine types [Oka07, OS08]. Thus, it remains to show Theorem 3.1 for the values given in Table 1.

From Propositions 2.5 and 2.1, it is sufficient to show for the  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ -module decomposition  $W^{r,s} \cong \bigoplus_{k=1}^M V(\overline{\lambda}_k)$  (where  $\overline{\lambda}_k \in P_0^+$ ), there exists  $u_k \in ((W^{r,s})_{K_{\mathbb{Z}}})_{\lambda_k}$  such that

- (i)  $(u_k, u_\ell) \in \delta_{k\ell} + q\mathcal{A}$  and
- (ii)  $||e_i u_k||^2 \in q_i^{-2\langle h_i, \lambda_k \rangle 2} q \mathcal{A}.$

The  $U_q(\mathfrak{g}_0)$ -module decomposition of  $W^{r,s}$  is given in [Cha01].

We require the following facts. Since the decomposition is multiplicity-free, we have  $(u_k, u_\ell) = 0$  for all  $k \neq \ell$  since  $\operatorname{wt}(u_k) \neq \operatorname{wt}(u_\ell)$ . Note that

$$[m] \in q^{1-m} \mathcal{A}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} m \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \in q^{-k(m-k)} \mathcal{A}$$

Let M be a  $U'_{q}(\mathfrak{g})$ -module. We will use this variant of equation (2.1):

(3.1a) 
$$(e_i^{(k)}v, w) = q_i^{k(k - \langle h_i, \mu \rangle)}(v, f_i^{(k)}w)$$

(3.1b) 
$$(f_i^{(k)}v, w) = q_i^{k(k + \langle h_i, \mu \rangle)}(v, e_i^{(k)}w)$$

for all  $w \in M_{\mu}$ . We also require

(3.2) 
$$f_i^{(a)} e_i^{(b)} v = \sum_{k=0}^{\min(a,b)} \begin{bmatrix} a-b-\langle h_i,\mu \rangle \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_i} e_i^{(b-k)} f_i^{(a-k)} v$$

for any  $v \in M_{\mu}$ , which follows from applying the defining relation on  $[e_i, f_i]$ . By applying equations (3.1), (3.2) and the bilinearity of (, ), we have for any  $v \in M_{\mu}$ ,

$$\begin{split} \|e_{i}v\|^{2} &= q_{i}^{1-\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle}(v,f_{i}e_{i}v) \\ &= q_{i}^{1-\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle}(v,e_{i}f_{i}v+[-\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle]_{q_{i}}v) \\ &= q_{i}^{1-\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle}((v,e_{i}f_{i}v)+[-\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle]_{q_{i}}(v,v)) \\ &= q_{i}^{1-\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle}\left(q_{i}^{-(1+\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle)} \|f_{i}v\|^{2}+[-\langle h_{i},\mu\rangle]_{q_{i}} \|v\|^{2}\right). \end{split}$$

Thus, we have

(3.3) 
$$\|e_i v\|^2 = q_i^{-2\langle h_i, \mu \rangle} \|f_i v\|^2 + q_i^{1-\langle h_i, \mu \rangle} [-\langle h_i, \mu \rangle]_{q_i} \|v\|^2.$$

For the remainder of the proof, we let  $u \in W^{r,s}_{s\varpi_r}$  be such that  $||u||^2 = 1$ , where the existence of such follows from Lemma 2.3 and Remark 2.4. We have

(3.4) 
$$||f_iu||^2 = q_i^{1+\delta_{ir}s}(u, e_if_iu) = q_i^{1+\delta_{ir}s}(u, [\delta_{ir}s]_{q_i}u) = q_i^{1+\delta_{ir}s}[\delta_{ir}s]_{q_i}$$

for all  $i \in I_0$  by equation (3.1a), the defining relation on  $[e_i, f_i]$  (or equation (3.2)) and  $e_i u = 0$ . So we have  $||f_r u||^2 \in q_r^2 \mathcal{A}$  (note  $f_i u = 0$  for all  $i \neq r$ ).

§3.1. Type 
$$E_6^{(1)}$$
,  $r = 3$ 

We claim that the elements

$$u_k := e_6^{(k)} e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u_0^{(k)} u_0^{(k$$

are the desired elements, where  $0 \le k \le s$ . We have

$$\operatorname{wt}(u_k) = \lambda_k := (s-k)\Lambda_3 + k\Lambda_6 - (2s-k)\Lambda_0,$$

and from [Cha01], the classical decomposition is  $W^{3,s} \cong \bigoplus_{k=0}^{s} V((s-k)\overline{\Lambda}_3 + k\overline{\Lambda}_6)$ . Thus, we need to show that  $u_k$  satisfies (i) and (ii).

We first show (i). We have

$$\|u_k\|^2 = q_6^{k(k-k)}(e_5^{(k)}e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}u, f_6^{(k)}u_k)$$

from equation (3.1a). Next we have

(3.5) 
$$f_{6}^{(k)}u_{k} = f_{6}^{(k)}e_{6}^{(k)}e_{5}^{(k)}e_{4}^{(k)}e_{2}^{(k)}e_{0}^{(k)}u = \sum_{m=0}^{k} {k \brack m}_{q_{6}} e_{6}^{(k-m)}f_{6}^{(k-m)}e_{5}^{(k)}e_{4}^{(k)}e_{2}^{(k)}e_{0}^{(k)}u = e_{5}^{(k)}e_{4}^{(k)}e_{2}^{(k)}e_{0}^{(k)}u,$$

where the second equality comes from equation (3.2) and the third equality follows from the fact  $e_i f_j = f_j e_i$  for all  $i \neq j$  and  $f_6 u = 0$  (so only the m = k term is nonzero). By computations similar to equation (3.5) we have

$$\|u_k\|^2 = (e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u, e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u) = \left\|e_0^{(k)} u\right\|^2.$$

Moreover, similar to equation (3.5), we have

$$\begin{split} \left\| e_0^{(k)} u \right\|^2 &= \left( e_0^{(k)} u, e_0^{(k)} u \right) = q_0^{k(k+2s-2k)} (u, f_0^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u) \\ &= q_0^{k(2s-k)} \sum_{m=0}^k \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ m \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} (u, e_0^{(k-m)} f_0^{(k-m)} u) = q_0^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} (u, u) \end{split}$$

since  $f_0 u = 0$ . Hence, we have

(3.6) 
$$||u_k||^2 = q_0^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \in 1 + q\mathcal{A}.$$

Next we show (ii). Fix some  $i \in I_0$ . From equation (3.3) it remains to compute  $||f_i u_k||^2$ . We compute  $||f_i u_k||^2$  depending on the value of i. We note that the case of k = 0 is done by equation (3.4). Therefore, we assume  $k \ge 1$ . For i = 6 we have

(3.7) 
$$f_6 u_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1-k+k\\1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_6} e_6^{(k-1)} e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u + e_6^{(k)} f_6 e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \\= e_6^{(k-1)} e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u$$

by equation (3.2) and the fact  $f_6 u = 0$ . Hence, similar to the computation for  $||u_k||^2$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \|f_{6}u_{k}\|^{2} &= \left\|e_{6}^{(k-1)}e_{5}^{(k)}e_{4}^{(k)}e_{2}^{(k)}e_{0}^{(k)}u\right\|^{2} \\ &= q_{6}^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_{6}} \left\|e_{5}^{(k)}e_{4}^{(k)}e_{2}^{(k)}e_{0}^{(k)}u\right\|^{2} \\ &= q_{6}^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_{6}} q_{0}^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}}. \end{split}$$

For i = 1 we have  $f_1u_k = e_6^{(k)}e_5^{(k)}e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_1u = 0$ , and so  $||f_1u_k||^2 = 0$ . For i = 5, 4, 2 we have  $f_iu_k = 0$  by applying equation (3.2) and the Serre relations (e.g., a straightforward calculation shows  $e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k-1)}e_0^{(k)}u = 0$  by repeatedly applying the Serre relations). Finally, we have  $f_3u_k = e_6^{(k)}e_5^{(k)}e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_3u$ . Therefore, we have  $||f_3u_k||^2 = ||e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_3u||^2$  similar to equation (3.5). However, for removing  $e_4^{(k)}$ , we obtain

$$(e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_3u, e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_3u) = q_4^{k(k-(k+1))}(e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_3u, f_4^{(k)}e_4^{(k)}e_2^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_3u)$$

by equation (3.1a). Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{split} f_4^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_3 u &= \sum_{m=0}^k {\binom{k-1}{m}}_{q_4} e_4^{(k-m)} f_4^{(k-m)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_3 u \\ &= {\binom{k-1}{k-1}}_{q_4} e_4 e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_4 f_3 u + {\binom{k-1}{k}}_{q_4} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_3 u \\ &= e_4 e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_4 f_3 u, \end{split}$$

where we note that  ${k-1 \brack k}_{q_4} = 0$  (recall that we assumed  $k \ge 1$ ). Thus, by applying equation (3.1a) we obtain

(3.8) 
$$\left\| e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_3 u \right\|^2 = q_4^{-k} (e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_3 u, e_4 e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_4 f_3 u)$$
$$= q_4^{-k} q_4^k \left\| e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_4 f_3 u \right\|^2.$$

Next we have

$$\left\| e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_4 f_3 u \right\|^2 = \left\| e_0^{(k)} f_2 f_4 f_3 u \right\|^2$$

from a similar computation to equation (3.8). Continuing using equation (3.1a), we have

$$\left\|e_0^{(k)}f_2f_4f_3u\right\|^2 = q_0^{k(2s-1-k)}(f_2f_4f_3u, f_0^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}f_2f_4f_3u).$$

We note that  $f_0 f_2 f_4 f_3 w = 0$  for any  $w \in W^{3,1}_{\varpi_3}$  from weight considerations (the resulting element would have classical weight  $\overline{\Lambda}_1 + \overline{\Lambda}_5$ , which is not in  $\overline{\Lambda}_3 + Q^-$  by [Kas02, Thm. 5.17]) and the classical decomposition. So  $f_0 f_2 f_4 f_3(w_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes w_s) = 0$  for any  $w_1, \ldots, w_s \in W^{3,1}_{\varpi_3}$  from applying the coproduct  $\Delta(f_i) = f_i \otimes 1 + K_i \otimes f_i$ . Thus, we have  $f_0 f_2 f_4 f_3 u = 0$  from the construction of u and  $W^{3,s}$ . Therefore, we compute

$$f_0^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} f_2 f_4 f_3 u = \sum_{m=0}^k {\binom{2s-1}{m}}_{q_0} e_0^{(k-m)} f_0^{(k-m)} f_2 f_4 f_3 u = {\binom{2s-1}{k}}_{q_0} f_2 f_4 f_3 u$$

similar to equation (3.5) and using the Serre relations. Thus, we have

$$\left\| e_0^{(k)} f_2 f_4 f_3 u \right\|^2 = q_0^{k(2s-1-k)} {2s-1 \brack k}_{q_0} \left\| f_2 f_4 f_3 u \right\|^2$$

Next we see

$$\|f_2 f_4 f_3 u\|^2 = q_2^{1-1} (f_4 f_3 u, e_2 f_2 f_4 f_3 u) = (f_4 f_3 u, [1]_{q_2} f_4 f_3 u)$$
  
=  $q_4^{1-1} (f_3 u, e_4 f_4 f_3 u) = (f_3 u, [1]_{q_4} f_3 u) = \|f_3 u\|^2$ 

by a similar computation to equation (3.4). Hence, we have

(3.9)  
$$\|f_{3}u_{k}\|^{2} = q_{0}^{k(2s-1-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-1\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} \|f_{3}u\|^{2}$$
$$= q_{0}^{k(2s-1-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-1\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} q_{3}^{1+s}[s]_{q_{3}} \in q_{3}^{2}\mathcal{A},$$

where the last equality is by equation (3.4). To complete the proof of (ii) we can see that

$$q_i^{-2\langle h_i,\lambda_k\rangle} \|f_i u_k\|^2 \in q_i^{-2\langle h_i,\lambda_k\rangle} \mathcal{A},$$
$$q_i^{1-\langle h_i,\lambda_k\rangle} [-\langle h_i,\lambda_k\rangle]_{q_i} q_0^{k(2s-1-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-1\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \in q_i^2 \mathcal{A},$$

noting  $\langle h_i, \lambda_k \rangle \geq 0$ .

§3.2. Type 
$$E_6^{(1)}$$
,  $r = 5$ 

The following are the desired elements in  $W^{5,s}$ :

$$u_k := e_1^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u_0 \in W^{5,s}_{(s-k)\varpi_5 + k\varpi_1},$$

where  $0 \le k \le s$ . The proof is the same as r = 3 after applying the order 2 diagram automorphism that fixes 0.

§3.3. Type 
$$E_7^{(1)}$$
,  $r = 2$ 

The following are the desired elements in  $W^{2,s}$ :

$$u_k := e_7^{(k)} e_6^{(k)} e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u_0 \in W^{2,s}_{(s-k)\varpi_2 + k\varpi_7}$$

where  $0 \le k \le s$ . The proof is similar to  $W^{3,s}$  in type  $E_6^{(1)}$ , where we compute

$$||u_k||^2 = q_0^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0},$$

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$$\|f_{7}u_{k}\|^{2} = q_{7}^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_{7}} \|u_{k}\|^{2},$$
  
$$\|f_{i}u_{k}\|^{2} = 0 \quad (i = 6, 5, 4, 3, 1),$$
  
$$\|f_{2}u_{k}\|^{2} = q_{0}^{k(2s-1-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-1 \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} \|f_{2}u\|^{2}$$

§3.4. Type  $E_6^{(2)}$ , r = 4

We claim

$$u_{k',k} := e_0^{(k')} e_1^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u$$

are the desired elements, where  $0 \le k' \le k \le s$ . We note that

wt
$$(u_{k',k}) = \lambda_{k',k} := (s-k)\Lambda_4 + (k-k')\Lambda_1 - (2s-2k')\Lambda_0.$$

To obtain the parameterization of the classical decomposition

$$W^{4,s} \cong \bigoplus_{\substack{t_1, t_2 \ge 0\\t_1+t_2 \le s}} V(t_1\overline{\Lambda}_4 + t_2\overline{\Lambda}_1)$$

given in [Scr20, Prop. 9.31], we set  $t_1 = s - k$  and  $t_2 = k - k'$  (which is forced by weight considerations). Note that  $t_1 \ge 0$  if and only if  $k \le s$ ;  $t_2 \ge 0$  if and only if  $k' \le k$ ; and  $t_1 + t_2 \le s$  if and only if  $0 \le k'$  (as  $t_1 + t_2 = s - k'$ ). Hence, we have the same classical decomposition.

To show (i) we have

$$||u_{0,k}||^2 = q_1^{k(k-k)} (e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u, f_1^{(k)} u_{0,k}).$$

Next we compute

$$\begin{split} f_1^{(k)} u_{0,k} &= f_1^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^k \begin{bmatrix} k \\ m \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} e_1^{(k-m)} f_1^{(k-m)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^k \begin{bmatrix} k \\ m \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} e_1^{(k-m)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} \sum_{p=0}^{k-m} \begin{bmatrix} k-m \\ p \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} e_1^{(k-p)} f_1^{(k-m-p)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^k \begin{bmatrix} k \\ m \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} \begin{bmatrix} k-m \\ k-m \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} e_1^{(k-m)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(m)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u, \end{split}$$

where the last equality follows from the fact  $e_2^{(k)}e_1^{(m)}e_0^{(k)}u = 0$  for all k > m by the Serre relations and  $e_2u = 0$ . Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{0,k}\|^2 &= \left\| e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \right\|^2 \\ &= q^{k(k-k)} (e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u, f_2^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u). \end{aligned}$$

Now, similar to the previous computation for  $u' = e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u$ , we obtain

$$\begin{split} f_2^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} u' &= \sum_{m=0}^k {k \brack m}_{q_2} e_2^{(k-m)} f_2^{(k-m)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^k {k \brack m}_{q_2} e_2^{(k-m)} e_3^{(k)} \sum_{p=0}^{k-m} {k-m \brack p}_{q_2} e_2^{(k-p)} f_2^{(k-m-p)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^k {k \brack m}_{q_2} {k-m \atop k-m}_{q_2} e_2^{(k-m)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(m)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u = u' \end{split}$$

since  $e_3^{(k)}e_2^{(m)}e_1^{(k)}e_0^{(k)}u = 0$  for all k > m by the Serre relations (recall that  $A_{32} = -1$ ) and  $e_3u = 0$ . Hence, we have

$$\|u_{0,k}\|^{2} = \left\|e_{3}^{(k)}e_{2}^{(k)}e_{1}^{(k)}e_{0}^{(k)}u\right\|^{2} = q_{0}^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} \in 1 + q\mathcal{A},$$

where the last equality is shown similarly to equation (3.6).

Next we consider

$$||u_{k',k}||^2 = q_0^{k'(k'+2s-2k')}(u_{0,k}, f_0^{(k')}u_{k',k}).$$

We compute

(3.10) 
$$f_0^{(k')}u_{k',k} = f_0^{(k')}e_0^{(k')}u_{0,k} = \sum_{m=0}^{k'} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\m \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} e_0^{(k'-m)}f_0^{(k'-m)}u_{0,k},$$

and

$$f_0^{(k'-m)} e_0^{(k)} u = \sum_{p=0}^{k'-m} {k'-m-k+2s \brack p}_{q_0} e_0^{(k-p)} f_0^{(k'-m-p)} u$$
$$= {k'-m-k+2s \brack k'-m}_{q_0} e_0^{(k-k'+m)} u$$

as  $k' - m \leq k$  (since  $k' \leq k$  and  $m \geq 0$ ) and  $f_0 u = 0$ . Next we have  $e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(m)} u = 0$  for all k > m by the Serre relations and  $e_1 u = 0$ , and so the only term that is

nonzero in equation (3.10) is when m = k'. Therefore, we have

$$\|u_{k',k}\|^{2} = q_{0}^{k'(2s-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} \|u_{0,k}\|^{2} = q_{0}^{k'(2s-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} q_{0}^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} \in 1 + q\mathcal{A}.$$

To show (ii) it remains to compute  $||f_i u_{k',k}||^2$  by equation (3.3), and by equation (3.4), we can assume  $k \ge 1$ . For  $i \in I_0$  we have  $f_i u_{k',k} = e_0^{(k')} f_i u_{0,k}$ , and by the above we have

$$\|f_{i}u_{k',k}\|^{2} = q_{0}^{k'(2s-\delta_{i1}-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-\delta_{i1} \\ k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_{0}} \|f_{i}u_{0,k}\|^{2}.$$

Next, similar to the computation in equation (3.7), we have

$$\begin{split} f_1 u_{0,k} &= e_1^{(k-1)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u + e_1^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} f_1 e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= e_1^{(k-1)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u + e_1^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k-1)} e_0^{(k)} u \\ &= e_1^{(k-1)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u, \end{split}$$

where the last equality uses  $e_2^{(k)}e_1^{(m)}e_0^{(k)}u = 0$  for all k > m. Therefore, we have

$$\|f_1 u_{0,k}\|^2 = q_1^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} q_0^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0}$$

by a computation similar to equation (3.6). Similar to equation (3.9) we have

$$\|f_4 u_{0,k}\|^2 = q_0^{k(2s-1-k)} {2s-1 \brack k}_{q_0} \|f_4 u\|^2.$$

We also have  $f_2 u_{0,k} = f_3 u_{0,k} = 0$  by applying the Serre relations. Thus, we see that (ii) holds.

§3.5. Type 
$$E_7^{(1)}$$
,  $r = 6$ 

The following are the desired elements in  $W^{6,s}$ :

$$u_{k',k} := e_0^{(k')} e_1^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_5^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \in W^{6,s}_{(s-t_1-t_2)\varpi_6+t_2\varpi_1}$$

where  $0 \leq k' \leq k \leq s$ . Then wt $(u_{k',k}) = (s-k)\Lambda_6 + (k-k')\Lambda_1 - (2s-2k')\Lambda_0$ . Showing that the classical decomposition is the same as in [Cha01] is similar to the r = 4 case for type  $E_6^{(2)}$ . Moreover, it is similar to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{k',k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k'(2s-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} q_0^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0}, \\ \|f_i u_{k',k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k'(2s-\delta_{i1}-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-\delta_{i1}\\k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \|f_i u_{0,k}\|^2 \quad (i \in I_0), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} \|f_1 u_{0,k}\|^2 &= q_1^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} \|u_{0,k}\|^2 \,, \\ \|f_i u_{0,k}\|^2 &= 0 \quad (i = 2, 3, 4, 5, 7), \\ \|f_6 u_{0,k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k(2s-1-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-1 \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \|f_6 u\|^2 \end{split}$$

§3.6. Type 
$$E_8^{(1)}$$
,  $r = 1$ 

The following are the desired elements in  $W^{1,s}$ :

$$u_{k',k} := e_0^{(k')} e_8^{(k)} e_7^{(k)} e_6^{(k)} e_5^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_3^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_4^{(k)} e_5^{(k)} e_6^{(k)} e_7^{(k)} e_8^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u,$$

where  $0 \leq k' \leq k \leq s$ . We take  $u_{k',k} \in W^{1,s}_{(s-t_1-t_2)\varpi_1+t_2\varpi_8}$ . Then  $\operatorname{wt}(u_{k',k}) = (s-k)\Lambda_1 + (k-k')\Lambda_8 - (2s-2k')\Lambda_0$ . Showing that the classical decomposition is the same as in [Cha01] is similar to the r = 4 case for type  $E_6^{(2)}$ . Moreover, it is similar to show that

$$\begin{split} \|u_{k',k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k'(2s-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} q_0^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0}, \\ \|f_i u_{k',k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k'(2s-\delta_{i8}-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-\delta_{i8}\\k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \|f_i u_{0,k}\|^2 \quad (i \in I_0), \\ \|f_8 u_{0,k}\|^2 &= q_8^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k\\k-1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_8} \|u_{0,k}\|^2, \\ \|f_i u_{0,k}\|^2 &= 0 \quad (i = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7), \\ \|f_1 u_{0,k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k(2s-1-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-1\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \|f_1 u\|^2. \\ \\ & \mathbf{S3.7. Type} \ F_4^{(1)}, \ r = 4 \end{split}$$

The following are the desired elements in  $W^{4,s}$ :

$$u_{k',k} := e_0^{(k')} e_1^{(k)} e_2^{(k)} e_3^{(2k)} e_2^{(k)} e_1^{(k)} e_0^{(k)} u \in W^{4,s}_{(s-2k)\varpi_4 + (k-k')\varpi_1},$$

where  $0 \le k' \le k \le s/2$ . Then wt $(u_{k',k}) = (s-2k)\Lambda_4 + (k-k')\Lambda_1 - (s-2k')\Lambda_0$ . To obtain the parameterization of the classical decomposition

$$W^{4,s} \cong \bigoplus_{t_2=0}^{s/2} \bigoplus_{t_1=0}^{t_2} V\big((s-2t_2)\overline{\Lambda}_4 + t_1\overline{\Lambda}_1\big)$$

given in [Cha01], we take  $t_1 = k - k'$  and  $t_2 = k$ . Indeed, we have  $t_2 \le s/2$  if and only if  $k \le s/2$ ;  $t_1 \ge 0$  if and only if  $k \le k'$ ; and  $t_1 \le t_2$  if and only if  $0 \le k'$ .

Moreover, it is similar to the r = 4 case for type  $E_6^{(2)}$  to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{k',k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k'(2s-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} q_0^{k(2s-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0}, \\ \|f_i u_{k',k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k'(2s-\delta_{i1}-k')} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-\delta_{i1}\\k' \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \|f_i u_{0,k}\|^2 \quad (i \in I_0), \\ \|f_1 u_{0,k}\|^2 &= q_1^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k\\k-1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} \|u_{0,k}\|^2, \\ \|f_2 u_{0,k}\|^2 &= \|f_3 u_{0,k}\|^2 = 0, \\ \|f_4 u_{0,k}\|^2 &= q_0^{k(2s-1-k)} \begin{bmatrix} 2s-1\\k \end{bmatrix}_{q_0} \|f_4 u\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

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