Algebra Seminar

Cohomology and support varieties for Cartan Lie superalgebras

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Abstract: V. Kac classified finite dimensional simple Lie superalgebras over the field of complex numbers in 1970s. They constitute several series and are divided into two types based on their even part: classical type and Cartan type. Lie superalgebras of Cartan type consists of four series W(n), S(n), S(n), and H(n). In this talk I will briefly introduce Cartan type Lie superalgebras and then I will show how explicitly one can compute cohomology and support varieties for W(n) and S(n). I will also mention what we have for H(n) and present a new theorem on realizability of support varieties that holds both for classical and Cartan type Lie superalgebras. If I have time I am planning to present some open problems at the end of my talk. The results about W(n) represents joint work with Jonathan Kujawa and Daniel Nakano.

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