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On the automorphism group of a *G*-induced variety

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ABSTRACT. Let *G* be a connected semisimple algebraic group of adjoint type over the field \mathbb{C} of complex numbers and *B* be a Borel subgroup of *G*. Let *F* be an irreducible projective *B*-variety. Then consider the variety $E := G \times^B F$, which has a natural action of *G*; we call it the *G*-induced variety or (G, B)-induced variety. In this article, we compute the connected component containing the identity automorphism of the group of all algebraic automorphisms of some particular *G*-induced varieties *E*.

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1. Introduction

Let *X* be a projective variety over the complex numbers \mathbb{C} . Let $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(X)$ be the connected component, containing the identity automorphism of the group of all algebraic automorphisms of *X*. Then $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(X)$ has a structure of an algebraic group (see [MO67, Theorem 3.7, p.17]). Further, the Lie algebra of this automorphism is isomorphic to the space of all tangent vector fields on *X*, that

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is the space $H^0(X, \Theta_X)$ of all global sections of the tangent sheaf Θ_X of X (see [MO67, Lemma 3.4, p.13]).

Let *G* be a connected semisimple algebraic group of adjoint type over \mathbb{C} . Demazure [Dem77] studied the automorphism group of a partial flag variety, i.e., a homogeneous variety of the form *G*/*P*, where *P* is a parabolic subgroup of *G*. Further, Demazure proved that all the higher cohomology groups of the tangent bundle of a partial flag variety vanish. Bott proved this in the complex analytic setup in [Bot57, Theorem VII, p.242]. As a particular case of his result, it follows that the connected component containing the identity automorphism of the group of all algebraic automorphisms of a full flag variety (i.e., a homogeneous variety of the form *G*/*B*, where *B* is a Borel subgroup of *G*) is identified with *G*.

By Kodaira-Spencer theory, the vanishing of the first cohomology group of the tangent bundle of a partial flag variety implies that partial flag varieties admit no local deformation of their complex structure. In other words, for any continuous family of complex varieties X_y parameterized by a complex variety Y, where X_y is topologically isomorphic to X for all y, and X_0 is analytically isomorphic to X, then X_y is analytically isomorphic to X in a neighborhood of $0 \in Y$.

Let *B* be a Borel subgroup of *G*. Let *F* be a projective *B*-variety. Consider the variety

$$E := G \times^B F = G \times F / \sim,$$

where the action of *B* on $G \times F$ is given by $b \cdot (g, f) = (gb^{-1}, bf)$ for all $g \in G, b \in B, f \in F$ and "~" denotes the equivalence relation defined by the action. The equivalence class of (g, f) is denoted by [g, f]. Note that there is a natural action of *G* on *E* given by $g' \cdot [g, f] = [g'g, f]$, where $g' \in G, [g, f] \in E$. Then *E* is a projective variety together with a *G*-action on it; we call it a (G, B)-induced variety. Throughout this article we use the terminology *G*-induced variety instead of (G, B)-induced variety for the sake of simplicity.

In this article, we study the connected component containing the identity automorphism of the group of all algebraic automorphisms of some particular *G*-induced varieties.

Let *V* be a *B*-module. Let $\mathcal{L}(V)$ be the associated homogeneous vector bundle on *G*/*B* corresponding to the *B*-module *V*. We denote the cohomology modules $H^{j}(G/B, \mathcal{L}(V))$ ($j \ge 0$) by $H^{j}(G/B, V)$ ($j \ge 0$) for short.

Our main results of this article are the following.

Theorem 1.1 (See Theorem 3.3). Let *F* be an irreducible projective *B*-variety. Let $E = G \times^B F$ be the *G*-induced variety associated to *F*. Let Θ_E (respectively, Θ_F) be the tangent sheaf of *E* (respectively, of *F*). Then we have

- (i) $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = G \text{ if } H^{0}(G/B, H^{0}(F, \Theta_{F})) = 0.$
- (ii) Assume $H^{j}(F, \mathcal{O}_{F})$ vanish for all $j \geq 1$, where \mathcal{O}_{F} is the structure sheaf on *F*. Then $H^{1}(E, \Theta_{E}) = H^{0}(G/B, H^{1}(F, \Theta_{F}))$ if $H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(F, \Theta_{F})) = 0$ for j = 1, 2.

The hypotheses of Theorem 1.1(ii) are satisfied by a very special class of varieties, namely the unirational varieties, which also includes flag varieties, Schubert varieties, Bott-Samelson-Demazure-Hansen varieties (see [Ser59, Lemma 1, p.481]). Under this assumption Theorem 1.1(ii) allows us to compare the local deformation of *E* and the local deformation of the fibre space *F* relative to the base space G/B.

Let *T* be a maximal torus of *G* and *R* be the set of roots with respect to *T*. Let $R^+ \,\subset R$ be a set of positive roots. Let B^+ be the Borel subgroup of *G* containing *T*, corresponding to R^+ . Let *B* be the Borel subgroup of *G* opposite to B^+ determined by *T*. Let $W = N_G(T)/T$ denote the Weyl group of *G* with respect to *T*, where $N_G(T)$ denotes the normalizer of *T* in *G*. For $w \in W$, let $X(w) := \overline{BwB/B}$ denote the Schubert variety in G/B corresponding to w.

Consider the diagonal action of G on $G/B \times G/B$. Then there is a G-equivariant isomorphism

$$\xi : G \times^B G/B \longrightarrow G/B \times G/B$$

given by

$$[g,g'B] \mapsto (gB,gg'B),$$

where $g, g' \in G$.

For any $w \in W$, $\xi(G \times^B X(w))$ is a *G*-stable closed irreducible subset of $G/B \times G/B$. Moreover all closed irreducible *G*-stable subsets of $G/B \times G/B$ are precisely of the form $\{\xi(G \times^B X(w)) : w \in W\}$ (see [BK05, Definition 2.2.6, p.69-70]).

For $w \in W$, let $\mathcal{X}(w) := \xi(G \times^B X(w))$. Then $\mathcal{X}(w)$ is equipped with the structure of a closed subvariety of $G/B \times G/B$, this *G*-induced variety is called the *G*-Schubert variety associated to *w*. Now onwards we omit ξ and simply write $\mathcal{X}(w)$ for $G \times^B X(w)$. Then we prove

Proposition 1.2 (See Proposition 4.6). Assume that G is simply-laced. Let $w \in W$ be such that $w \neq w_0$, where w_0 denotes the longest element of W. Let $\Theta_{\mathcal{X}(w)}$ (respectively, $\Theta_{X(w)}$) be the tangent sheaf of $\mathcal{X}(w)$ (respectively, of X(w)). Then we have

(i)
$$\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(\mathcal{X}(w)) = G.$$

(ii) $H^{1}(\mathcal{X}(w), \Theta_{\mathcal{X}(w)}) = H^{0}(G/B, H^{1}(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})).$

Thus if *G* is simply-laced and $w \neq w_0 \in W$, then by Proposition 1.2, we conclude that $\mathcal{X}(w)$ admits no local deformation whenever X(w) does so.

Let $w = s_{i_1}s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_r}$ be a reduced expression and let $\underline{i} := (i_1, \dots, i_r)$. Let $Z(w, \underline{i})$ be the Bott-Samelson-Demazure-Hansen variety (natural desingularization of X(w)) associated to (w, \underline{i}) . It was first introduced by Bott and Samelson in a differential geometric and topological context (see [BS58]). Demazure [Dem74] and Hansen [Han73] independently adapted the construction in the algebrogeometric situation, which explains the reason for the name. For the sake of simplicity, we write BSDH-variety instead of Bott-Samelson-Demazure-Hansen variety.

There is a natural left action of *B* on $Z(w, \underline{i})$. Let $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}) = G \times^B Z(w, \underline{i})$. Then the *G*-induced variety $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$ is a smooth projective variety and it is a natural desingularization of $\mathcal{X}(w)$ (see [BK05, Corollary 2.2.7, p.70]), we call it a *G*-Bott-Samelson-Demazure-Hansen variety (*G*-BSDH-variety for short). Then we prove

Proposition 1.3 (See Proposition 4.13). Assume that G is simply-laced and the rank of G is at least two. Let $\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,i)}$ be the tangent sheaf on $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$. Then we have

- (i) $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,i)) = G.$
- (ii) $H^j(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})}) = 0$ for $j \ge 1$.

By Proposition 1.3(ii), $H^2(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})}) = 0$. Hence by [Huy05, p.273], we conclude that $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$ has unobstructed deformation for a simply-laced group *G*.

Further, by Proposition 1.3(ii), $H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})}) = 0$. Hence by [Huy05, Proposition 6.2.10, p.272], we conclude that *G*-BSDH-varieties are locally rigid for simply-laced groups *G*.

It should be mentioned that if *G* is not simply-laced, then $H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})})$ might be non-zero (see Example 4.16).

In view of the above results the following questions are open:

Open problems:

- (1) Assume that *G* is not simply-laced. What is the connected component containing the identity automorphism of the group of all algebraic automorphisms of $\mathcal{X}(w)$ or $\mathcal{Z}(w, i)$?
- (2) What is the group of all algebraic automorphisms of $\mathcal{X}(w)$ or $\mathcal{Z}(w, i)$?

The organization of the paper is as follows. In Section 2, we set up notation and recall some preliminaries. In Section 3, we prove Theorem 1.1. In Section 4, we prove Proposition 1.2 and Proposition 1.3.

2. Notation and preliminaries

In this section, we set up some notation and preliminaries. We refer to [BK05], [Hum72], [Hum75], [Jan03] for preliminaries in algebraic groups and Lie algebras.

Let *G*, *T*, *B*, *R*, *R*⁺, and *W* be as in the introduction. Let $S = \{\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_n\}$ denote the set of simple roots in *R*⁺, where *n* is the rank of *G*. For $\beta \in R^+$, we use the notation $\beta > 0$. Let $W = N_G(T)/T$ denote the Weyl group of *G* with respect to *T*. The simple reflection in *W* corresponding to α_i is denoted by s_i . For $w \in W$, let $\ell(w)$ denote the length of *w*. The Bruhat-Chevalley order $\leq \varepsilon$ on *W* is defined as for $v, w \in W, v \leq w$ if and only if $X(v) \subseteq X(w)$.

For a subset $J \subset S$, let W_J be the subgroup of W generated by $\{s_\alpha : \alpha \in J\}$. For a subset $J \subseteq S$, let P_J be the standard parabolic subgroup of G, i.e., P_J is generated by B and n_w , where $w \in W_J$ and n_w is a representative of w in G. The subgroup $W_J \subseteq W$ is called Weyl group of P_J . For a simple root α_i , we denote the corresponding parabolic subgroup simply by P_{α_i} , it is called minimal parabolic subgroup corresponding to α_i .

Let \mathfrak{g} be the Lie algebra of G. Let $\mathfrak{t} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ be the Lie algebra of T and $\mathfrak{b} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ be the Lie algebra of B. Let X(T) denote the group of all characters of T. We have $X(T) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R} = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{R}}, \mathbb{R})$, the dual of the real form of \mathfrak{t} . The positive definite W-invariant form on $\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{R}}, \mathbb{R})$ induced by the Killing form of \mathfrak{g} is denoted by (-, -). We use the notation $\langle -, - \rangle$, to denote $\langle \mu, \alpha \rangle = \frac{2(\mu, \alpha)}{(\alpha, \alpha)}$ for every $\mu \in X(T) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R}$ and $\alpha \in R$. The pairing $\langle \mu, \alpha \rangle$ is usually called the Cartan pairing of μ and α . We denote by $X(T)^+$ the set of dominant characters of Twith respect to B^+ . Let ρ denote the half sum of all positive roots of G with respect to T and B^+ . For any simple root α_i , we denote the fundamental weight corresponding to α_i by ω_i . For $1 \leq i \leq n$, let $h(\alpha_i) \in \mathfrak{t}$ be the fundamental co-weight corresponding to α_i . That is $\alpha_i(h(\alpha_j)) = \delta_{ij}$, where δ_{ij} is Kronecker delta.

We recall that the BSDH-variety corresponding to a reduced expression $\underline{i} = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r)$ of $w = s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_r}$ is defined as the quotient

$$Z(w,\underline{i}) = \frac{P_{\alpha_{i_1}} \times P_{\alpha_{i_2}} \times \dots \times P_{\alpha_{i_r}}}{B \times B \times \dots \times B},$$

where the *r*-fold product $B \times B \times \cdots \times B$ acts on $P_{\alpha_{i_1}} \times P_{\alpha_{i_2}} \times \cdots \times P_{\alpha_{i_r}}$ on the right via

$$(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_r) \cdot (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r) = (p_1 \cdot b_1, b_1^{-1} \cdot p_2 \cdot b_2, \dots, b_{r-1}^{-1} \cdot p_r \cdot b_r), \ p_j \in P_{\alpha_{i_j}}, b_j \in B$$

(see [Dem74, Definition 1, p.73], [BK05, Definition 2.2.1, p.64]). The equivalence class of $(p_1, ..., p_r)$ is denoted by $[p_1, ..., p_r]$. There is a natural action of $P_{\alpha_{i_1}}$ on $Z(w, \underline{i})$ given by the left multiplication as

$$p \cdot [p_1, \dots, p_r] = [pp_1, \dots, p_r], \ p_j \in P_{\alpha_{i_j}}, \ p \in P_{\alpha_{i_j}}$$

In particular there is a natural left action of *B* on Z(w, i).

Note that $Z(w, \underline{i})$ is a smooth projective variety. The BSDH-varieties are equipped with a *B*-equivariant morphism

$$\phi_w : Z(w, i) \longrightarrow G/B$$

defined by

$$[p_1, ..., p_r] \mapsto p_1 \cdots p_r B.$$

Then ϕ_w is the natural birational surjective morphism from $Z(w, \underline{i})$ to X(w).

Let $f_r : Z(w, \underline{i}) \longrightarrow Z(ws_{i_r}, \underline{i}')$ denote the map induced by the projection

$$P_{\alpha_{i_1}} \times P_{\alpha_{i_2}} \times \cdots \times P_{\alpha_{i_r}} \longrightarrow P_{\alpha_{i_1}} \times P_{\alpha_{i_2}} \times \cdots \times P_{\alpha_{i_{r-1}}}$$

where $\underline{i}' = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{r-1})$. Then we observe that f_r is a $P_{\alpha_{i_r}}/B \simeq \mathbb{P}^1$ -fibration.

For a *B*-module *V*, let $\mathcal{L}(w, V)$ denote the restriction of the associated homogeneous vector bundle $\mathcal{L}(V)$ on *G*/*B* to *X*(*w*). By abuse of notation, we denote the pull back of $\mathcal{L}(w, V)$ via ϕ_w to *Z*(*w*, *i*) also by $\mathcal{L}(w, V)$, when there is no confusion. Since for any *B*-module *V* the vector bundle $\mathcal{L}(w, V)$ on *Z*(*w*, *i*) is the

pull back of the homogeneous vector bundle from X(w), we conclude that the cohomology modules $H^j(Z(w, \underline{i}), \mathcal{L}(w, V)) \simeq H^j(X(w), \mathcal{L}(w, V))$ for all $j \ge 0$ (see [BK05, Theorem 3.3.4(b)]), are independent of choice of reduced expression \underline{i} . Hence we denote $H^j(Z(w, \underline{i}), \mathcal{L}(w, V))$ by $H^j(w, V)$. In particular, if λ is character of B, then we denote the cohomology modules $H^j(Z(w, \underline{i}), \mathcal{L}(w, \lambda))$ by $H^j(w, \lambda)$, where $\mathcal{L}(w, \lambda) = \mathcal{L}(w, \mathbb{C}_{\lambda})$ and \mathbb{C}_{λ} denotes the one-dimensional B-module associated to λ .

We use the following ascending 1-step construction of the BSDH variety as a basic tool for computing cohomology modules. Let α be a simple root such that $\ell(w) = \ell(s_{\alpha}w) + 1$. Let $Z(w, \underline{i})$ be a BSDH-variety corresponding to a reduced expression $w = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_r}$, where $\alpha_{i_1} = \alpha$. Then we have a natural first factor projection morphism

$$p: Z(w,\underline{i}) \to P_{\alpha}/B$$

with fibres $Z(s_{\alpha}w, \underline{i'})$, where $\underline{i'} = (i_2, i_3, ..., i_r)$. Note that p is P_{α} -equivariant. By an application of the Leray spectral sequence together with the fact that the base is \mathbb{P}^1 , for every *B*-module *V* and $j \ge 0$, we obtain the following short exact sequence of P_{α} -modules:

$$0 \to H^1(s_{\alpha}, R^{j-1}p_*\mathcal{L}(w, V)) \to H^j(w, V) \to H^0(s_{\alpha}, R^jp_*\mathcal{L}(w, V)) \to 0.$$
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Moreover by [Jan03, II, p.366] we have the following isomorphism

$$\begin{split} R^{j} f_{r_{*}} \mathcal{L}(w, V) &\simeq \mathcal{L}(w s_{i_{r}}, H^{j}(s_{i_{r}}, V)) \ (j \geq 0) \\ R^{j} p_{*} \mathcal{L}(w, V) &\simeq \mathcal{L}(s_{\alpha}, H^{j}(s_{\alpha}w, V)) \ (j \geq 0) \end{split}$$

of *B*-linearized sheaves.

Here, we recall the following result due to Demazure [Dem76, p.271] on short exact sequence of *B*-modules:

Lemma 2.1. Let α be a simple root and $\lambda \in X(T)$ be such that $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \geq 0$. Let $ev : H^0(s_{\alpha}, \lambda) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}_{\lambda}$ be the evaluation map. Then we have

- (1) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = 0$, then $H^0(s_{\alpha}, \lambda) \simeq \mathbb{C}_{\lambda}$.
- (2) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \ge 1$, then $\mathbb{C}_{s_{\alpha}(\lambda)} \hookrightarrow H^{0}(s_{\alpha}, \lambda)$, and there is a short exact sequence of *B*-modules:

$$0 \to H^0(s_{\alpha}, \lambda - \alpha) \longrightarrow H^0(s_{\alpha}, \lambda) / \mathbb{C}_{s_{\alpha}(\lambda)} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}_{\lambda} \to 0.$$

Furthermore, $H^0(s_{\alpha}, \lambda - \alpha) = 0$ *when* $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = 1$.

(3) Let $n = \langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle$. As a B-module, $H^0(s_{\alpha}, \lambda)$ has a composition series

$$0 \subseteq V_n \subseteq V_{n-1} \subseteq \cdots \subseteq V_0 = H^0(s_\alpha, \lambda)$$

such that $V_i/V_{i+1} \simeq \mathbb{C}_{\lambda-i\alpha}$ for i = 0, 1, ..., n-1 and $V_n = \mathbb{C}_{s_{\alpha}(\lambda)}$.

We define the dot action by $w \cdot \lambda = w(\lambda + \rho) - \rho$. Now onwards we will denote the Levi subgroup of P_{α} ($\alpha \in S$) containing *T* by L_{α} and the subgroup $L_{\alpha} \cap B$ by B_{α} .

Lemma 2.2. Let V be an irreducible L_{α} -module. Let λ be a character of B_{α} . Then we have

- (1) As L_{α} -modules, $H^{j}(L_{\alpha}/B_{\alpha}, V \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\lambda}) \simeq V \otimes H^{j}(L_{\alpha}/B_{\alpha}, \mathbb{C}_{\lambda})$ for every $j \ge 0$.
- (2) If (λ, α) ≥ 0, then H⁰(L_α/B_α, V ⊗ C_λ) is isomorphic as L_α-module to the tensor product of V and H⁰(L_α/B_α, C_λ). Further, we have H^j(L_α/B_α, V ⊗ C_λ) = 0 for every j ≥ 1.
- (3) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \leq -2$, then $H^0(L_{\alpha}/B_{\alpha}, V \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\lambda}) = 0$, and $H^1(L_{\alpha}/B_{\alpha}, V \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\lambda})$ is isomorphic to the tensor product of V and $H^0(L_{\alpha}/B_{\alpha}, \mathbb{C}_{s_{\alpha},\lambda})$.
- (4) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = -1$, then $H^j(L_\alpha/B_\alpha, V \otimes \mathbb{C}_\lambda) = 0$ for every $j \ge 0$.

Proof. (1) follows from [Jan03, Proposition 4.8, 5.12, p.53, p.77, I].

Proof of (2)–(4) follows from (1) and [Jan03, Proposition 5.12, p.77, I; Proposition 5.2, p. 218, II]. $\hfill \Box$

Let $w \in W$, α be a simple root, and set $v = ws_{\alpha}$. As a consequence of Lemma 2.2, we have the following lemma.

Lemma 2.3. If $\ell(w) = \ell(v) + 1$, then we have

- (1) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \geq 0$, then $H^j(w, \lambda) = H^j(v, H^0(s_\alpha, \lambda))$ for all $j \geq 0$.
- (2) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \ge 0$, then $H^j(w, \lambda) = H^{j+1}(w, s_\alpha \cdot \lambda)$ for all $j \ge 0$.
- (3) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \leq -2$, then $H^{j+1}(w, \lambda) = H^j(w, s_\alpha \cdot \lambda)$ for all $j \geq 0$.
- (4) If $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = -1$, then $H^j(w, \lambda)$ vanish for every $j \ge 0$.

Proof. Choose a reduced expression of $w = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_r}$ with $\alpha_{i_r} = \alpha$. Hence $v = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_{r-1}}$ is a reduced expression for v. Let $\underline{i} = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r)$ and $\underline{i'} = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{r-1})$. Now consider the $P_{\alpha_{i_r}}/B \ (\simeq \mathbb{P}^1)$ fibration $f_r : Z(w, \underline{i}) \longrightarrow Z(v, i')$ defined as above. Then, we have an isomorphism

$$R^{j}f_{r*}\mathcal{L}(w,\lambda) \simeq \mathcal{L}(v,H^{j}(s_{\alpha},\lambda))$$
 for $j \ge 0$

of B-linearized sheaves.

Proof of (1): Since $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \geq 0$, by Lemma 2.2(2) it follows that $R^1 f_{r_*} \mathcal{L}(w, \lambda) = \mathcal{L}(v, H^1(s_\alpha, \lambda)) = 0$. Therefore by an application of a degenerate case of the Leray spectral sequences (as in [Jan03, Chapter 14, Section 14.6, p.369, II]) we have $H^j(w, \lambda) = H^j(v, H^0(s_\alpha, \lambda))$ for all $j \geq 0$.

Proof of (2): Since $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \geq 0$, we have $\langle s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda, \alpha \rangle < 0$. Hence by Lemma 2.2 we have $f_{r_*}\mathcal{L}(w, s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda) = \mathcal{L}(v, H^0(s_{\alpha}, s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda)) = 0$. Therefore by an application of a degenerate case of the Leray spectral sequence we have $H^{j+1}(w, s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda) = H^j(v, H^1(s_{\alpha}, s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda))$. By [Dem76, Theorem 1] we have $H^0(s_{\alpha}, \lambda) = H^1(s_{\alpha}, s_{\alpha} \cdot \lambda)$. Hence the proof follows.

Proof of (3): This case is similar to (2).

Proof of (4): Since $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = -1$, by Lemma 2.2(4) we have $R^j f_{r*} \mathcal{L}(w, \lambda) = 0$ for $j \ge 0$. Therefore by an application of a degenerate case of the Leray spectral sequence we have $H^j(w, \lambda) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

The following crucial lemma will be used to compute the cohomology modules in this paper.

Let $p : \tilde{G} \longrightarrow G$ be the universal cover. Let \tilde{L}_{α} (respectively, \tilde{B}_{α}) be the inverse image of L_{α} (respectively, B_{α}). Recall the structure of indecomposable \tilde{B}_{α} -modules (see [CPS79],[BSS04, Corollary 9.1, p.130]).

Lemma 2.4. Any finite dimensional indecomposable \widetilde{B}_{α} -module V is isomorphic to $V' \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\lambda}$ for some irreducible representation V' of \widetilde{L}_{α} and for some character λ of \widetilde{B}_{α} .

3. Automorphism group of a G-induced variety

In this section we study the connected component containing the identity automorphism of the group of all algebraic automorphisms of a *G*-induced variety.

Let *F* be an irreducible projective *B*-variety and $E = G \times^B F$ be the *G*-induced variety associated to *F*. Consider the natural projection map

$$\pi: E \longrightarrow G/B; [g, f] \mapsto gB.$$

Then for the natural action of *G* on *G*/*B*, π is a *G*-equivariant fibration over *G*/*B* with fiber *F*.

Observation: For a *G*-induced variety *E*, if the action of *B* on *F* extends to an action of *G* on *F* then the map

$$\psi: G \times F \longrightarrow G/B \times F, \quad (g, f) \mapsto (gB, gf)$$

induces *G*-equivariant isomorphism $G \times^B F \longrightarrow G/B \times F$, where *G* acts diagonally on $G/B \times F$.

Proposition 3.1. Then π induces a surjective homomorphism π_* : Aut⁰(*E*) \longrightarrow *G* of algebraic groups. In particular, Aut⁰(*E*) = ker $\pi_* \rtimes G$, where ker π_* denotes the kernel of π_* .

Proof. Since *F* is an irreducible projective variety, we have $\pi_* \mathcal{O}_E = \mathcal{O}_{G/B}$, where \mathcal{O}_E and \mathcal{O}_F denote the structure sheaf on *E* and *F* respectively. Therefore, by [Bri11, Corollary 2.2, p.45], π induces an algebraic group homomorphism

$$\pi_*$$
: Aut⁰(E) \longrightarrow Aut⁰(G/B)

defined as follows:

$$f \mapsto \pi_*(f) : gB \mapsto \pi(f(y));$$
 where $y \in \pi^{-1}(gB)$.

Since $\pi^{-1}(gB)$ is connected projective variety, by the rigidity lemma it follows that $\pi_*(f)$ is well defined (see [Bri11, Proposition 2.1., p.42]). Further, since $\operatorname{Aut}^0(G/B) = G$ (see [Dem77], [Akh95, Theorem 2, p.75]), we have that π_* : $\operatorname{Aut}^0(E) \longrightarrow G$.

Let $\sigma : G \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E)$ be the map induced by the natural action of *G* on *E*. Note that σ is not a trivial map as the action of *G* on *E* is effective because it descends to the effective action of *G* on *G/B*. Thus, $\sigma : G \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E)$ is an injective homomorphism of algebraic groups. Hence, π_{*} is a surjective homomorphism of algebraic groups. Therefore, we have $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = \ker \pi_{*} \rtimes G$.

It would be an interesting question to ask when does there exist an isomorphism between *E* and $G/B \times F$?

We have already observed that if the action of *B* on *F* extends to an action of *G* on *F*, then there is a *G*-equivariant isomorphism between *E* and $G/B \times F$.

Here, we give another sufficient condition under which there is a *G*-equivariant isomorphism between *E* and $G/B \times F$.

Proposition 3.2. Assume that there exists a *B*-equivariant morphism $\Phi : E \longrightarrow F$ such that $\Phi_* \mathcal{O}_E = \mathcal{O}_F$. Then we have

- (i) $E \simeq G/B \times F$.
- (ii) $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = G \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(F)$.

Proof. Proof of (i): Since $\Phi_* \mathcal{O}_E = \mathcal{O}_F$, by [Bri11, Corollary 2.2, p.45] Φ induces an algebraic group homomorphism Φ_* : Aut⁰(*E*) \longrightarrow Aut⁰(*F*). Note that by Proposition 3.1, $G \subset \operatorname{Aut}^0(E)$. Thus *G* acts on *F* via the map Φ_* , i.e., the action of *G* on *F* is given by $g * f = \Phi(g \cdot z)$, where $g \in G$, $f \in F$ and $z \in \Phi^{-1}(f)$ (see [Bri11, Proof of Proposition 2.1, p.42]). Further, since Φ is *B*-equivariant, this action of *G* on *F* is an extension of the *B* action on *F*. Therefore, by the above observation we have a *G*-equivariant isomorphism $E \simeq G/B \times F$.

Proof of (ii): By using (i) and [Bri11, Corollary 2.3, p.46], we have $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(G/B) \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(F)$. Moreover, since $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(G/B) = G$ (see [Dem77]), we have $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = G \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(F)$.

Theorem 3.3. Let F, E be as before. Let Θ_F (respectively, Θ_E) be the tangent sheaf of F (respectively, of E). Then we have

- (i) $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = G$, if $H^{0}(G/B, H^{0}(F, \Theta_{F})) = 0$.
- (ii) Assume that F satisfies $H^j(F, \mathcal{O}_F) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$. Then $H^1(E, \Theta_E) = H^0(G/B, H^1(F, \Theta_F))$, if $H^j(G/B, H^0(F, \Theta_F)) = 0$ for j = 1, 2.

Proof. Proof of (i): Recall that $\pi : E \longrightarrow G/B$ is the natural projection given by $[g, f] \mapsto gB$, where $g \in G$, and $f \in F$.

Consider the exact sequence of \mathcal{O}_E -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{R} \longrightarrow \Theta_E \longrightarrow \pi^* \Theta_{G/B} \longrightarrow 0, \tag{3.1}$$

where \mathcal{R} denotes the relative tangent sheaf with respect to the map π . Therefore, (3.1) induces the following long exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0(E, \mathcal{R}) \to H^0(E, \Theta_E) \to H^0(E, \pi^* \Theta_{G/B}) \to H^1(E, \mathcal{R}) \to H^1(E, \Theta_E) \to \cdots$$
(3.2)

of G-modules.

Since $H^0(F, \mathcal{O}_F) = \mathbb{C}$ and π is a projective morphism, we have

$$\pi_*(\pi^*\mathcal{O}_{G/B}) = \pi_*\mathcal{O}_E = \mathcal{O}_{G/B}.$$
(3.3)

Now by using projection formula (see [Har77, Chapter III, Ex 8.3, p.253]) and (3.3), we have

$$\pi_*(\pi^*\Theta_{G/B}) = \Theta_{G/B} \otimes \pi_*\mathcal{O}_E = \Theta_{G/B}.$$
(3.4)

Further, since $H^0(G/B, \Theta_{G/B}) = \mathfrak{g}$ (see [Dem77],[Akh95, Theorem 2, p.75 and Theorem 1, p.130]), we have $H^0(E, \pi^* \Theta_{G/B}) = \mathfrak{g}$.

On the other hand, by Proposition 3.1, we see that $\sigma : G \longrightarrow \text{Aut}^0(E)$ is an injective homomorphism of algebraic groups. Since $\text{Lie}(\text{Aut}^0(E)) = H^0(E, \Theta_E)$ (see [MO67, Lemma 3.4, p.13]), the differential $d\sigma : \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow H^0(E, \Theta_E)$ is an injective homomorphism of Lie algebras.

Therefore, (3.2) gives the following short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H^{0}(E, \mathcal{R}) \longrightarrow H^{0}(E, \Theta_{E}) \longrightarrow H^{0}(E, \pi^{*}\Theta_{G/B}) \longrightarrow 0$$
(3.5)

of *G*-modules.

Now, since the restriction of \mathcal{R} to F coincides with the tangent sheaf Θ_F of F, it follows that $H^0(E, \mathcal{R}) = H^0(G/B, H^0(F, \Theta_F))$. Thus, we have $H^0(E, \mathcal{R}) = 0$, as $H^0(G/B, H^0(F, \Theta_F)) = 0$. Therefore, by using (3.5), we have $H^0(E, \Theta_E) = \mathfrak{g}$, as $H^0(E, \pi^* \Theta_{G/B}) = \mathfrak{g}$. Hence, Aut⁰(E) = G.

Proof of (ii): Since $H^j(F, \mathcal{O}_F) = 0$ for $j \ge 1$, we have

$$R^{j}\pi_{*}(\pi^{*}\mathcal{O}_{G/B}) = R^{j}\pi_{*}\mathcal{O}_{E} = 0 \text{ for } j \ge 1.$$
 (3.6)

Therefore, by using projection formula (see [Har77, Chapter III, Ex 8.3, p.253]) and (3.6), we have

$$R^{j}\pi_{*}(\pi^{*}\Theta_{G/B}) = \Theta_{G/B} \otimes R^{j}\pi_{*}(\mathcal{O}_{E}) = 0 \text{ for all } j \ge 1.$$
(3.7)

The $E_2^{i,j}$ term of Leray spectral sequence for π and $\pi^* \Theta_{G/B}$ is

$$E_2^{i,j} = H^i(G/B, R^j \pi_*(\pi^* \Theta_{G/B})).$$
(3.8)

Since $R^j \pi_*(\pi^* \Theta_{G/B}) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$ (see (3.7)), we have $E_2^{i,j} = 0$ for $j \ge 1$. Therefore, by using degenerate case of Leray spectral sequence and (3.4), we have

$$H^{j}(E, \pi^{*}\Theta_{G/B}) = H^{j}(G/B, \pi_{*}(\pi^{*}\Theta_{G/B})) = H^{j}(G/B, \Theta_{G/B})$$

for $j \ge 1$.

Now, since $H^{j}(G/B, \Theta_{G/B}) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$ (see [Dem77],[Akh95, Theorem 2, p.75 and Theorem 1, p.130]), we have $H^{j}(E, \pi^* \Theta_{G/B}) = 0$ for $j \ge 1$. Therefore, (3.2) induces the following exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0(E, \mathcal{R}) \to H^0(E, \Theta_E) \to H^0(E, \pi^* \Theta_{G/B}) \to H^1(E, \mathcal{R}) \to H^1(E, \Theta_E) \to 0$$

of G-modules and

$$H^{j}(E, \mathcal{R}) \simeq H^{j}(E, \Theta_{E}) \text{ for } j \ge 2.$$
 (3.9)

Moreover, by using (3.5) and (3.9), we have

$$H^{j}(E, \mathcal{R}) \simeq H^{j}(E, \Theta_{E}) \text{ for } j \ge 1.$$
 (3.10)

Now, since $H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(F, \Theta_{F})) = 0$ for j = 1, 2, by using the five term exact sequence associated to the spectral sequence, we have

$$H^1(E, \Theta_E) = H^0(G/B, H^1(F, \Theta_F)). \quad \Box$$

Corollary 3.4. Let F, E be as in Theorem 3.3 and F satisfies

$$H^0(G/B, H^0(F, \Theta_F)) = 0$$

but $H^0(F, \Theta_F) \neq 0$. Then *E* is not isomorphic to $G/B \times F$. In particular, the action of *B* on *F*, cannot be extended to an action of *G* on *F*.

Proof. If $E \simeq G/B \times F$, then by [Bri11, Corollary 2.3, p.46],

 $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(G/B) \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(F).$

Since $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(G/B) = G$ (see [Dem77]), we have $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) = G \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(F)$. Further, since $H^{0}(F, \Theta_{F}) \neq 0$, by [MO67, Lemma 3.4, p.13], we conclude that $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(F)$ is not a trivial group. Therefore, $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(E) \neq G$, which shows contradiction to Theorem 3.3(i).

Note: For any *G*-induced variety *E*, we have the following observations from the proof of Theorem 3.3.

(1) Let π_* : Aut⁰(*E*) \longrightarrow *G* be as in Proposition 3.1. Then we have

Lie (ker π_*) = $H^0(E, \mathcal{R}) = H^0(G/B, H^0(F, \Theta_F))$.

(2) $\text{Lie}(\text{Aut}^{0}(E))$ fits into the exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0(E, \mathcal{R}) \to H^0(E, \Theta_E) \to \mathfrak{g} \to 0$$

of *G*-modules. Since there is an embedding $\mathfrak{g} \hookrightarrow H^0(E, \Theta_E)$ coming from the faithful action of *G* on *E*, the above exact sequence splits, i.e., $H^0(E, \Theta_E) = H^0(E, \mathcal{R}) \oplus \mathfrak{g}$ as *G*-modules.

4. G-Schubert variety and G-BSDH-variety

Throughout this section we assume G to be a simply-laced simple algebraic group of adjoint type. In this section we study the connected component containing the identity automorphism of the group of all algebraic automorphisms of a G-Schubert variety and G-BSDH-variety.

4.1. Identity component of the automorphism group of a *G***-Schubert variety:** We recall some results on automorphism group of a Schubert variety from [Sen16].

Recall that for *w* in *W* the Schubert variety in G/B associated to *w* is usually denoted by X(w) defined as

$$X(w) := BwB/B \subset G/B.$$

For the left action of *G* on *G*/*B*, let $P = \text{Stab}_G(X(w))$ denote the stabilizer of X(w) in *G*. Since $B \subset \text{Stab}_G(X(w))$, *P* is a parabolic subgroup of *G*. Further since *P* contains *B*, it is a standard parabolic subgroup of *G* of the form $P_{I(w)}$ for some subset I(w) of *S*. This subset I(w) of *S* is precisely consisting of $\alpha \in S$ such that $w^{-1}(\alpha) < 0$, i.e., $w^{-1}(\alpha)$ is a negative root. Since $P_{I(w)}$ is connected, the natural left action of $P_{I(w)}$ on X(w), induces a map

$$\varphi_w : P_{I(w)} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}^0(X(w))$$

Let α_0 denote the highest root of *G* with respect to *T* and B^+ . Let $\mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}$ denote the parabolic Lie subalgebra of \mathfrak{g} . Then $\mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}$ is the Lie algebra of $P_{I(w)}$.

Theorem 4.1. The map φ_w is a surjective homomorphism of algebraic groups.

Theorem 4.1 is stated in [Sen16, Theorem 4.2(1), p.772] for a smooth Schubert variety, but proof goes for any Schubert variety. Here we give a brief sketch of the proof.

Proof. Recall from [MO67, Lemma 3.4, p.13] that

Lie (Aut⁰(X(w))) =
$$H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})$$
.

To prove φ_w is surjective it is enough to prove that

$$d\varphi_w : \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)} \longrightarrow H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})$$

is surjective.

Let $\Theta_{G/B}$ be the tangent sheaf of G/B. Then note that $\Theta_{G/B}$ is the sheaf corresponding to the tangent bundle $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b})$ of G/B. Further, we have

$$H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)}) \subseteq H^0(X(w), \Theta_{G/B}|_{X(w)}) = H^0(w, \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b}).$$

By [Sen16, Lemma 3.5, p.770], the restriction map

$$H^0(G/B, \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b}) \longrightarrow H^0(w, \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b})$$

is surjective. Thus for

$$D' \in H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)}) \subseteq H^0(w, \Theta_{G/B}|_{X(w)}) = H^0(w, \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b}),$$

there exists $D \in H^0(G/B, \Theta_{G/B})$ such that image under the restriction map is D'. Consequently, D preserves the ideal sheaf of X(w) in G/B, and hence $D \in$ Lie(Stab_{*G*}(X(w))) = $\mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}$. Therefore, proof of the lemma follows.

We recall (see [Bot57],[Akh95],[Sno]) some definitions and facts which we will use later.

Let $\lambda \in X(T)$. Then λ is called singular if $\langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle = 0$ for some $\alpha \in R^+$, otherwise it is called non-singular.

The index of λ is defined to be $ind(\lambda) := min\{\ell(w) | w(\lambda) \in X(T)^+\}$.

Fact 1. If $\beta \in R$ is such that $\beta + \rho$ is non-singular, then either $\beta = \alpha_0$ or β is the negative of a simple root.

Fact 2. If $\beta \in R$ is such that $\beta + \rho$ is non-singular, then index of $\beta + \rho$ is either 0 or 1 (see [Sno, p.47-48]). Further, if the index of $\beta + \rho$ is 0 (respectively, 1), then $\beta = \alpha_0$ (respectively, β is the negative of a simple root).

We use the following version of Bott's theorem on vanishing of cohomology of homogeneous vector bundles, a proof of whose can be found in [Gri63, Theorem 1, p.129]

Let *P* be a parabolic subgroup of *G* containing *B*. Let *V* be a *P*-module. Then *V* has a filtration

$$0 = V_0 \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \ldots \subset V_t = V$$

by *P*-submodules such that V_i/V_{i-1} are irreducible *P*-modules of highest weight λ_i $(1 \le i \le t)$. We call these weights the highest weights of *V* and denote

the set of weights by $\Lambda_P(V) := \{\lambda_i : 1 \le i \le t\}$. We note here that although the filtrations are not unique but the set $\Lambda_P(V)$ of weights is uniquely determined by the decomposition of *V* into direct sum of irreducible components with respect to *L*-modules, where *L* denotes the Levi factor of *P*. Let $I_P(V) := \{ind(\lambda_i + \rho) : \lambda_i + \rho \text{ is non-singular and } \lambda_i \in \Lambda_P(V)\}.$

Lemma 4.2. Let $\mathcal{L}_P(V)$ be the homogeneous vector bundle on G/P associated to a *P*-module *V*. Then we have the following:

$$H^{j}(G/P, \mathcal{L}_{P}(V)) = 0$$
 if $j \notin I_{P}(V)$.

Here we recall the description of the kernel of the map φ_w from [Sen16, Corollary 4.3, p.774]. Let Supp(w) := { $\alpha \in S : s_\alpha \leq w$ }, and let $T(w) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \text{Supp}(w)} \text{ker}(\alpha)$. For $w \in W$, let $R^+(w^{-1}) := \{\beta \in R^+ : w^{-1}(\beta) < 0\}$. For $\beta \in R$, let U_β denote the root subgroup of *G* associated to β . Let $U_{\leq w}$ be the root subgroup of *U* (the unipotent radical of *B*) generated by

$$\langle U_{-\beta} : \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \bigcup_{v \le w} \mathbb{R}^+(v^{-1}) \rangle$$

Let $K_w := \ker \varphi_w$. Let \mathfrak{k}_w denote the Lie algebra of K_w . Then

Lemma 4.3. K_w (respectively, \mathfrak{t}_w) is generated by T(w) (respectively, Lie(T(w))) and $U_{\leq w}$ (respectively, Lie($U_{\leq w}$)).

Lemma 4.4. Assume that $w \in W$ is such that $w \neq w_0$. Then $H^j(G/B, \mathfrak{P}_{I(w)}) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

Proof. Consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathfrak{b} \to \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)} \to \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b} \to 0$$

of *B*-modules. Therefore we have the following long exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0(G/B, \mathfrak{b}) \to H^0(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}) \to H^0(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b}) \to H^0(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b})$$

$$H^1(G/B, \mathfrak{b}) \to H^1(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}) \to H^1(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b}) \to \cdots$$

of *G*-modules. By using [Sen16, Lemma 3.4, Theorem 4.1, p.770-771], we have $H^{j}(G/B, \mathfrak{b}) = 0$ for $j \ge 0$. Thus by the above exact sequence we have the following:

$$H^{j}(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}) = H^{j}(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b})$$
 for all $j \ge 0$.

Note that $\mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b}$ is a *B*-module such that the weights appearing in $\mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b}$ are positive roots. Further since $\mathfrak{p}_{I(w)} \neq \mathfrak{g}$, as $w \neq w_0$, the highest root α_0 does not appear in $\mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}/\mathfrak{b}$. Therefore, by using Fact 2 and Lemma 4.2 proof follows. \Box

Now we prove

Lemma 4.5. Assume that $w \neq w_0 \in W$. Then we have

$$H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})) = 0$$

for all $j \ge 0$.

Proof. By Theorem 4.1, we have the following short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathfrak{k}_{w} \longrightarrow \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)} \longrightarrow H^{0}(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)}) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$(4.1)$$

of *B*-modules.

Since $w \neq w_0$, by Lemma 4.4 we have $H^j(G/B, \mathfrak{p}_{I(w)}) = 0$ for $j \ge 0$. Therefore, from the long exact sequence associated to (4.1) we have the following:

$$H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})) = H^{j+1}(G/B, \mathfrak{k}_{w}) \text{ for } j \ge 0.$$

By Lemma 4.3 we have

$$\mathfrak{k}_w = \operatorname{Lie}(T(w)) \oplus \bigoplus_{\beta \in A} \mathbb{C}_{-\beta}.$$

where $A = R^+ \setminus \bigcup_{v \le w} R^+(v^{-1})$.

Assume that Supp(w) = S, then T(w) is a trivial group and by the above description $(\mathfrak{k}_w)_{-\alpha} = 0$ for all $\alpha \in S$. Therefore, by using Fact 2 and Lemma 4.2 we conclude that $H^j(G/B, \mathfrak{k}_w) = 0$ for $j \ge 0$. Hence $H^j(G/B, H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

Assume that $\operatorname{Supp}(w) \subset S$. Define $J^c := S \setminus \operatorname{Supp}(w)$. Note that $J^c \subset A$. Let L_{J^c} be the Levi subgroup of P_{J^c} , and $B_{J^c} = B \cap L_{J^c}$. Then we have $P_{J^c}/B \simeq L_{J^c}/B_{J^c}$. Note that $P_{J^c}/B = X(w_{0,J^c})$, where w_{0,J^c} denotes the longest element of W_{J^c} . Let $r = |J^c|$. Let $c = s_{i_r} \cdots s_{i_1}$ be a reduced expression such that $\alpha_{i_j} \neq \alpha_{i_k}$ for $1 \leq j \neq k \leq r$, i.e., *c* is a Coxter element of W_{J^c} . Now extend this reduced expression of *c* to a reduced expression $w_{0,J^c} = s_{i_N} \cdots s_{i_{r+1}} s_{i_r} s_{i_{r-1}} \cdots s_{i_1}$ to compute

$$H^j(L_{J^c}/B_{J^c},\mathfrak{k}_w)$$
 for $j \ge 0$,

where $\ell(w_{0,J^c}) = N$.

Note that since *G* is simply-laced, we have $\langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = -1, 0$, or 1 for any pair α, β in *R* such that $\alpha \neq \pm \beta$. Hence if $\langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = 1$, then $-\beta + \alpha$ is not a root. Similarly, if $\langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = -1$, then $-\beta - \alpha$ is not a root. Note that if β in *A* is such that $\langle -\beta, \alpha_{i_1} \rangle = -1$, then clearly $\beta - \alpha_{i_1}$ is a positive root.

Therefore by the above description of \mathfrak{k}_w , the indecomposable $\widetilde{B}_{\alpha_{i_1}}$ -summands of \mathfrak{k}_w are the following:

$$\mathbb{C}h(\alpha_{i_1}) \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{i_1}}; \mathbb{C}h(\alpha) \ (\alpha \neq \alpha_{i_1}); \mathbb{C}_{-\beta} \ (\text{ for } \langle \beta, \alpha_{i_1} \rangle = 0);$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\beta - \alpha_{i_1}} \ (\text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha_{i_1} \rangle = 1);$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} \ (\text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha_{i_1} \rangle = -1 \text{ such that } \beta - \alpha_{i_1} \notin A).$$

By Lemma 2.4 we have the following:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{C}h(\alpha_{i_1}) \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{i_1}} &= V(1) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{i_1}};\\ \mathbb{C}h(\alpha) &= V(0) \ (\alpha \neq \alpha_{i_1});\\ \mathbb{C}_{-\beta} &= V(0) \ (\text{ for } \langle \beta, \alpha_{i_1} \rangle = 0);\\ \mathbb{C}_{-\beta} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\beta - \alpha_{i_1}} &= V(1) \ (\text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha_{i_1} \rangle = 1);\\ \mathbb{C}_{-\beta} &= V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{i_1}} \ (\text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha_{i_1} \rangle = -1 \text{ such that } \beta - \alpha_{i_1} \notin A); \end{split}$$

where V(i) denotes an i + 1-dimensional irreducible $\tilde{L}_{\alpha_{i_1}}$ -module. Therefore by using Lemma 2.2 we have the following:

$$H^{0}(s_{i_{1}}, \mathfrak{k}_{w}) = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in J^{c} \setminus \{\alpha_{i_{1}}\}} \mathbb{C}h(\alpha) \bigoplus_{\substack{\beta \in A \setminus \{\alpha_{i_{1}}\} \\ \text{except those with} \\ \langle \beta, \alpha_{i_{1}} \rangle = 1 \text{ and } \beta - \alpha_{i_{1}} \notin A}} \mathbb{C}_{-\beta}$$

and

$$H^j(s_{i_1}, \mathfrak{k}_w) = 0$$
 for all $j \ge 1$.

Similarly, by proceeding recursively for the string $s_{i_r} \cdots s_{i_2}$, we conclude that zero weights, and negatives of simple roots do not occur in $H^0(s_{i_r} \cdots s_{i_1}, \mathfrak{k}_w)$ and $H^j(s_{i_r} \cdots s_{i_1}, \mathfrak{k}_w) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$.

Therefore proceeding successively for the string $s_{i_N} \cdots s_{i_{r+1}}$, we conclude that zero weights, and negatives of simple roots do not occur in $H^0(L_{J^c}/B_{J^c}, \mathfrak{k}_w)$, and $H^j(L_{J^c}/B_{J^c}, \mathfrak{k}_w) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$.

Consider the natural projection map

$$p: G/B \longrightarrow G/P_{J^c}.$$

Since $H^j(P_{J^c}/B, \mathfrak{k}_w) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$, $R^j p_* \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{k}_w) = 0$ for $j \ge 1$. Therefore by an application of a degenerate case of the Leray spectral sequence we have

$$H^{j}(G/B, \mathfrak{t}_{w}) = H^{j}(G/P_{J^{c}}, H^{0}(P_{J^{c}}/B, \mathfrak{t}_{w}))$$
 for all $j \geq 1$.

Since $H^0(P_{J^c}/B, \mathfrak{k}_w)$ is a *B*-module whose weights are among the roots other than negative of simple roots, by using Fact 2, and Lemma 4.2 we have

$$H^{j}(G/P_{J^{c}}, H^{0}(P_{J^{c}}/B, \mathfrak{t}_{w})) = 0$$

for $j \ge 1$. Therefore, $H^j(G/B, H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

Proposition 4.6. Assume that $w \neq w_0 \in W$. Then we have

- (i) $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{X}(w)) = G.$
- (ii) $H^{1}(\mathcal{X}(w), \Theta_{\mathcal{X}(w)}) = H^{0}(G/B, H^{1}(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})).$

Proof. Proof of (i): By Lemma 4.5, we have $H^0(G/B, H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})) = 0$. Therefore, by Theorem 3.3(i), we have $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{X}(w)) = G$.

Proof of (ii): By Lemma 4.5, we have $H^j(G/B, H^0(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)})) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$. By using [BK05, Theorem 3.1.1(a), p.84] it follows that $H^j(X(w), \mathcal{O}_{X(w)}) = 0$ for all j > 0. Therefore, by Theorem 3.3(ii), we have $H^1(\mathcal{X}(w), \Theta_{\mathcal{X}(w)}) = H^0(G/B, H^1(X(w), \Theta_{X(w)}))$.

Corollary 4.7. Let $w \in W$ be such that $w \neq id, w_0$, where id denotes the identity element of W. Then $\mathcal{X}(w)$ is not isomorphic to $G/B \times X(w)$.

Proof. If $\mathcal{X}(w) = G/B \times X(w)$, then by [Bri11, Corollary 2.3, p.46],

$$\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(\mathcal{X}(w)) = \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(G/B) \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(X(w)).$$

Since $\operatorname{Aut}^0(G/B) = G$ (see [Dem77]), we have $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{X}(w)) = G \times \operatorname{Aut}^0(X(w))$. Further, since $w \neq id$, X(w) contains an open *B*-orbit of positive dimension, whence *B* acts non-trivially on X(w). Therefore, we conclude that $\operatorname{Aut}^0(X(w))$ is not a trivial group. Hence, $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{X}(w)) \neq G$, which shows contradiction to Proposition 4.6(i) as $w \neq w_0$.

Remark 4.8. If $w = w_0$, then we have $\mathcal{X}(w) = G/B \times G/B$. Thus $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{X}(w)) = G \times G$ and $H^j(\mathcal{X}(w), \Theta_{\mathcal{X}(w)}) = 0$ $(j \ge 1)$ for $w = w_0$.

4.2. Identity component of the automorphism group of a *G*-BSDH variety: Let $w = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_r}$ be a reduced expression and $\underline{i} := (i_1, \dots, i_r)$. Let $v = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_{r-1}}$ and $\underline{i}' := (i_1, \dots, i_{r-1})$.

Consider the $P_{\alpha_{ir}}/B \simeq \mathbb{P}^1$ fibration

$$\pi_r: G/B \to G/P_{\alpha_{i_r}}.$$

Then the fibre product $Z(w, \underline{i})$ is of $Z(v, \underline{i'})$ and G/B over $G/P_{\alpha_{i_r}}$ with respect to the maps π_r and $\pi_r \circ \phi_v$: $Z(v, \underline{i}) \to G/P_{\alpha_{i_r}}$. Thus we have the following *B*-equivariant fibre product diagram:

Notice that the $P_{\alpha_{i_r}}/B$ -fibration $f_r : Z(w, \underline{i}) \to Z(v, \underline{i'})$ is already defined earlier in Section 2. Note that the relative tangent bundle on G/B with respect to π_r is the line bundle $\mathcal{L}(\alpha_{i_r})$. Therefore from the above *B*-equivariant fibre product diagram we have the following short exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{L}(w, \alpha_{i_r}) \to \Theta_{Z(w,i)} \to f_r^* \Theta_{Z(v,i')} \to 0$$

of *B*-equivariant vector bundles on $Z(w, \underline{i})$. Thus we have the following long exact sequence of

$$0 \to H^{0}(w, \alpha_{i_{r}}) \to H^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})}) \to H^{0}(Z(v, \underline{i'}), \Theta_{Z(v, \underline{i'})}) \to H^{1}(w, \alpha_{i_{r}}) \to H^{1}(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})}) \to H^{1}(Z(v, \underline{i'}), \Theta_{Z(v, \underline{i'})}) \to \cdots$$

of B-modules.

Lemma 4.9. Let (w, \underline{i}) , $(v, \underline{i'})$ be as above. Then we have an exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0(w, \alpha_{i_r}) \to H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, i)}) \to H^0(Z(v, \underline{i'}), \Theta_{Z(v, i')}) \to 0$$

of *B*-modules. Further $H^j(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})}) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$.

Proof. By [Sen16, Corollary 3.6, p.771] it follows that $H^j(w, \alpha_{i_r}) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$. Therefore by using the above long exact sequence a proof of the first part follows. Proof of the second part follows by induction on *r* using the above

long exact sequence and [Sen16, Corollary 3.6, p.771] (see [CKP15, Proposition 3.1(2), p.673]).

Lemma 4.10. Let $w = s_{i_1}s_{i_2} \cdots s_{i_r}$ be a reduced expression and $\alpha_{i_r} = \alpha$. Then we have the following:

- (1) If $\langle \alpha, \alpha_{i_k} \rangle = 0$ for all $1 \le k \le r 1$, then the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are $\alpha, 0, -\alpha$ with multiplicity one.
- (2) If $\alpha_{i_k} \neq \alpha$ ($1 \le k \le r 1$), but there exists an integer $1 \le k \le r 1$ such that $\langle \alpha, \alpha_{i_k} \rangle = -1$, then the weights of the B-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are $0, -\alpha$, or among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots. Further, the multiplicity of each weight is one.
- (3) If $\alpha_{i_k} = \alpha$ for some $1 \le k \le r 2$, then the weights of the B-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots with multiplicity one.

Proof. Proof of (1): By using Borel-Weil-Bott we have

$$H^0(s_{i_r},\alpha) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha} \oplus \mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha}.$$

Since $\langle \alpha, \alpha_{i_k} \rangle = 0$ for all $1 \le k \le r - 1$, by using SES, Lemma 2.4, and Lemma 2.2 we have

$$H^0(w,\alpha) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha} \oplus \mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha}.$$

Therefore (1) follows.

Proof of (2): Assume that $1 \le m \le r - 1$ is the largest integer such that $\langle \alpha, \alpha_{i_m} \rangle = -1$. Then by the assumption $\langle \alpha, \alpha_{i_k} \rangle = 0$ for all $m + 1 \le k \le r - 1$. Therefore by (1) we have

$$H^0(s_{i_{m+1}}\cdots s_{i_r},\alpha) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha} \oplus \mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha}.$$

By using Lemma 2.4 the indecomposable $\widetilde{B}_{\alpha_{i_m}}$ -summands of $H^0(s_{i_{m+1}} \cdots s_{i_r}, \alpha)$ are the following

$$\mathbb{C}_{\alpha} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{i_m}};$$
$$\mathbb{C}_0 = V(0);$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\alpha} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\omega_{i_m}}.$$

Then by using SES and Lemma 2.2 we have

$$H^{0}(s_{i_{m}}\cdots s_{i_{r}},\alpha)=\mathbb{C}_{0}\oplus\mathbb{C}_{-\alpha}\oplus\mathbb{C}_{-\alpha-\alpha_{i_{m}}}.$$

Further by proceeding recursively using SES, Lemma 2.4, and Lemma 2.2 we conclude that the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are 0, $-\alpha$, or among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots. Moreover the multiplicity of each weight is one.

Proof of (3): Assume that $1 \le m \le r - 2$ is the largest integer such that $\alpha_{i_m} = \alpha$. Since $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_r}$ is a reduced expression, there is an integer $m + 1 \le t \le r - 1$ such that $\langle \alpha, \alpha_{i_t} \rangle = -1$. Therefore by (2) the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(s_{i_{m+1}} \cdots s_{i_r}, \alpha)$ are $0, -\alpha$, or among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots with the multiplicity of each weight is one. Then by using Lemma

2.4 the indecomposable $\widetilde{B}_{\alpha_{i_m}}$ -summands of $H^0(s_{i_{m+1}} \cdots s_{i_r}, \alpha)$ are either of the following forms

$$\mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha} = V(1) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{i_{m}}};$$

$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\beta-\alpha} = V(1) \text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = 1;$$

$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\omega_{i_{m}}} \text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = 1;$$

$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{i_{m}}} \text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = -1;$$

$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} = V(0) \text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = 0;$$

where V(i) denotes an i + 1-dimensional irreducible $\tilde{L}_{\alpha_{im}}$ -module. Therefore by using SES and Lemma 2.2 we conclude that the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(s_{i_m} \cdots s_{i_r}, \alpha)$ are among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots with multiplicity one. Further by proceeding recursively using SES, Lemma 2.4, and Lemma 2.2 we conclude that the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots with multiplicity one.

Lemma 4.11. Assume that the rank of G is at least two. Let $w = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_r}$ be a reduced expression and $\alpha_{i_r} = \alpha$. Then we have $H^j(G/B, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

Proof. The weights of the *B*-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are either of the three mutually exclusive cases as in Lemma 4.10. We prove the lemma by case by case.

Case 1: Assume that the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are α , 0, and $-\alpha$. Since the rank of *G* is at least two, there is a β in *S* such that $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = -1$. Consider the natural projection map

$$o: G/B \longrightarrow G/P_{\{\alpha,\beta\}}.$$

Let $v = s_{\alpha}s_{\beta}s_{\alpha}$. Then note that $P_{\{\alpha,\beta\}}/B = X(v)$. By using Lemma 2.4

$$H^0(w,\alpha) = V(2),$$

where V(2) denotes a three dimensional irreducible \tilde{L}_{α} -module. Thus by Lemma 2.2 we have

$$H^{0}(s_{\alpha}, H^{0}(w, \alpha)) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha};$$

$$H^{1}(s_{\alpha}, H^{0}(w, \alpha)) = 0.$$

Since $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = -1$, by using Lemma 2.4 the indecomposable \widetilde{B}_{β} -summands of $H^0(s_{\alpha}, H^0(w, \alpha))$ are one of the following forms:

$$\mathbb{C}_{\alpha} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{\beta}};$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{0} = V(0);$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\alpha} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\omega_{\beta}}.$$

By using Lemma 2.2 we have

$$H^{0}(s_{\beta}, H^{0}(s_{\alpha}, H^{0}(w, \alpha))) = \mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha-\beta}$$
$$H^{1}(s_{\beta}, H^{0}(s_{\alpha}, H^{0}(w, \alpha))) = 0.$$

Therefore by using SES we have

$$H^{0}(s_{\beta}s_{\alpha}, H^{0}(w, \alpha)) = \mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha-\beta}$$

$$H^1(s_\beta s_\alpha, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0;$$

further by using SES recursively it follows that

$$H^j(s_\beta s_\alpha, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0 \ (j \ge 2).$$

By using Lemma 2.4 the indecomposable \widetilde{B}_{α} -summands of $H^0(s_{\beta}s_{\alpha}, H^0(w, \alpha))$ are the following

$$\mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha} = V(1) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{\alpha}}; \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha-\beta} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{\alpha}}.$$

Therefore by using Lemma 2.2 we have

$$H^0(s_{\alpha}, H^0(s_{\beta}s_{\alpha}, H^0(w, \alpha))) = 0$$

$$H^1(s_{\alpha}, H^0(s_{\beta}s_{\alpha}, H^0(w, \alpha))) = 0.$$

By using SES we conclude that

$$H^{0}(s_{\alpha}s_{\beta}s_{\alpha}, H^{0}(w, \alpha)) = 0$$
$$H^{1}(s_{\alpha}s_{\beta}s_{\alpha}, H^{0}(w, \alpha)) = 0.$$

Further, since $H^j(s_\beta s_\alpha, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$ for all $j \ge 2$, by using SES we conclude that $H^j(s_\alpha s_\beta s_\alpha, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$ for all $j \ge 2$. In other words we have

$$H^{0}(P_{\{\alpha,\beta\}}/B, H^{0}(w,\alpha)) = 0$$
$$H^{j}(P_{\{\alpha,\beta\}}/B, H^{0}(w,\alpha)) = 0 \ (j \ge 1).$$

Thus $R^j p_* \mathcal{L}(H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$. Therefore by an application of a degenerate case of the Leray spectral sequence we have

$$H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(w, \alpha)) = H^{j}(G/P_{\{\alpha,\beta\}}, H^{0}(P_{\{\alpha,\beta\}}/B, H^{0}(w, \alpha)))$$
 for all $j \ge 0$.

Since $H^0(P_{\{\alpha,\beta\}}/B, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$, it follows that $H^j(G/B, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

Case 2: Assume that the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are 0, $-\alpha$, or among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots with the multiplicity of each weight is one.

Consider the natural projection map

$$p: G/B \longrightarrow G/P_{\alpha}$$

By using Lemma 2.4 the indecomposable \widetilde{B}_{α} -summands of $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are one of the following forms:

$$\mathbb{C}_{0} \bigoplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha} = V(1) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{\alpha}};$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} \bigoplus \mathbb{C}_{-\beta-\alpha} = V(1);$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\omega_{\alpha}} \text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = 1;$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_{\alpha}} \text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = -1;$$
$$\mathbb{C}_{-\beta} = V(0) \text{ for } \langle -\beta, \alpha \rangle = 0;$$

where V(i) denotes an i + 1-dimensional irreducible \tilde{L}_{α} -module. Therefore by Lemma 2.2 we conclude that the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(s_{\alpha}, H^0(w, \alpha))$ are among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots with multiplicity one and $H^1(s_{\alpha}, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$. Thus $R^j p_* \mathcal{L}(H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$ for all $j \ge 1$. Therefore by an application of a degenerate case of the Leray spectral sequence we have

$$H^j(G/B, H^0(w, \alpha)) = H^j(G/P_\alpha, H^0(P_\alpha/B, H^0(w, \alpha)))$$
 for all $j \ge 0$.

Since $H^0(P_{\alpha}/B, H^0(w, \alpha))$ is a *B*-module such that the weights are among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots, by using Fact 1, Fact 2, and Lemma 4.2 we have $H^j(G/P_{\alpha}, H^0(P_{\alpha}/B, H^0(w, \alpha))) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

Case 3: Assume that the weights of the *B*-module $H^0(w, \alpha)$ are among the negative roots other than negatives of simple roots with multiplicity one. Then by using Fact 1, Fact 2, and Lemma 4.2 we conclude that $H^j(G/B, H^0(w, \alpha)) = 0$ for all $j \ge 0$.

Let
$$w = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_{r-1}}s_{i_r}$$
 be a reduced expression and $\underline{i} = (i_1, i_2 \dots, i_{r-1}, i_r)$.

Lemma 4.12. Assume that the rank of *G* is at least two. Then we have

$$H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})})) = 0 \text{ for } \underline{j} \ge 0.$$

Proof. By Lemma 4.9, we have the following short exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0(w, \alpha) \to H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})}) \to H^0(Z(v, \underline{i}'), \Theta_{Z(v, \underline{i}')}) \to 0$$

of *B*-modules, where $\alpha = \alpha_{i_r}$, $\upsilon = s_{i_1}s_{i_2}\cdots s_{i_{r-1}}$, and $\underline{i}' = (i_1, i_2 \dots, i_{r-1})$. Therefore we have the following long exact sequence

$$0 \to H^0(G/B, H^0(w, \alpha)) \to H^0(G/B, H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})}))$$
$$\to H^0(G/B, H^0(Z(v, \underline{i}'), \Theta_{Z(v, \underline{i}')}))$$

$$H^1(G/B, H^0(w, \alpha)) \to H^1(G/B, H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, i)})) \to$$

of *G*-modules. By using Lemma 4.11 we have

$$H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})})) \simeq H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(Z(v, \underline{i}'), \Theta_{Z(v, \underline{i}')})) \text{ for all } j \ge 0.$$

Hence by using induction on the length of the sequence we have

$$H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})})) \simeq H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(s_{i_{1}}, \alpha_{i_{1}}))$$

for all $j \ge 0$. Therefore by using Lemma 4.11 we conclude the proof.

Proposition 4.13. *Assume that the rank of G is at least two. Then we have the following:*

- (i) $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,i)) = G.$
- (ii) $H^j(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})}) = 0$ for $j \ge 1$.

Proof. Proof of (i): By Lemma 4.12, we have $H^0(G/B, H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})})) = 0$. Therefore, by Theorem 3.3(i), we have $\operatorname{Aut}^0(\mathcal{Z}(w, i)) = G$.

Proof of (ii): We argue as in the proof of Theorem 3.3(ii).

Recall that $\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}) = G \times^{B} Z(w,\underline{i})$. Consider the natural first component projection

$$\pi : \mathcal{Z}(w,i) \to G/B.$$

Therefore we have the following exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{R} \to \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,i)} \to \pi^* \Theta_{G/B} \to 0$$

of vector bundles on $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$, where \mathcal{R} denotes the relative tangent bundle on $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$ with respect to π . Since $H^j(G/B, \Theta_{G/B})$ and $H^j(Z(w, \underline{i}), \mathcal{O}_{Z(w,\underline{i})})$ vanish for $j \ge 1$ (see [Dem77],[Akh95, Theorem 2, p.75 and Theorem 1, p.130]), by the Leray spectral sequence for π and the projection formula, $H^j(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}), \pi^*\Theta_{G/B})$ also vanishes for $j \ge 1$. Moreover by using Proposition 3.1 and the long exact sequence associated to the above short exact sequence we have the following:

$$0 \to H^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\mathcal{R}) \to H^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})}) \to H^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\pi^*\Theta_{G/B}) = \mathfrak{g} \to 0$$
$$H^j(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\mathcal{R}) \simeq H^j(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})}) \text{ for all } j \ge 1.$$

Since \mathcal{R} is the relative tangent bundle on $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$, the restriction of \mathcal{R} to $Z(w, \underline{i})$ is $\Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})}$. By Lemma 4.9, we have

$$H^{j}(Z(w,\underline{i}),\mathcal{R}|_{Z(w,\underline{i})}) = H^{j}(Z(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})}) = 0 \text{ for } \underline{j} \ge 1.$$

Hence we have

$$\pi_* \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{L}(H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})}))$$
$$R^j \pi_* \mathcal{R} = 0 \text{ for } j \ge 1.$$

Therefore, by using a degenerate case of the Leray spectral sequence we obtain

$$H^{j}(\mathcal{Z}(w,i),\mathcal{R}) = H^{j}(G/B, H^{0}(Z(w,i),\Theta_{Z(w,i)})).$$

Hence by using Lemma 4.12, we conclude the proof.

Corollary 4.14. Assume that the rank of G is at least two and $w \neq id$. Then $\mathcal{Z}(w, i)$ is not isomorphic to $G/B \times Z(w, i)$.

Proof. If $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}) = G/B \times Z(w, \underline{i})$, then by [Bri11, Corollary 2.3, p.46] we have $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})) = \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(G/B) \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}))$. Since $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(G/B) = G$ (see [Dem77]), we have $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})) = G \times \operatorname{Aut}^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}))$. Further, since $w \neq id$, $Z(w, \underline{i})$ contains an open *B*-orbit of positive dimension, whence *B* acts non-trivially on $Z(w, \underline{i})$. Therefore, we conclude that $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}))$ is not a trivial group. Hence, $\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})) \neq G$, which shows contradiction to Proposition 4.13(i).

Remark 4.15. If the rank of G is one, then for both w = id or $w = s_{\alpha}$, $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$ is isomorphic to $G/B \times Z(w, \underline{i})$. Moreover, for $w = s_{\alpha}$, we have $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}) \simeq G/B \times G/B \simeq \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$. Hence

$$\operatorname{Aut}^{0}(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})) = G \times G \text{ and } H^{j}(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})}) = 0 \text{ for } j \ge 1.$$

Further for w = id, we have $\mathcal{Z}(w, i) \simeq G/B \simeq \mathbb{P}^1$. Therefore

Aut⁰(
$$\mathcal{Z}(w, i)$$
) = G and $H^j(\mathcal{Z}(w, i), \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w, i)}) = 0$ for $j \ge 1$.

We conclude this article by giving an example which shows that if *G* is not simply-laced, then $H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})})$ might not vanish, i.e., $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$ is not locally rigid.

Example 4.16. Let $G = SO(5, \mathbb{C})$, $w = s_1 s_2 s_1$, and $\underline{i} = (1, 2, 1)$. Then

$$H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})}) \neq 0$$

Proof. Consider the following *B*-equivariant fibre product diagram:

$$Z(w, \underline{i}) \xrightarrow{\phi_w} G/B$$

$$f_3 \downarrow \qquad \pi \downarrow$$

$$Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1) \xrightarrow{\pi \circ \phi_{w_1}} G/P_{\alpha_1}$$

where $w_1 = s_1 s_2$, and $\underline{i}_1 = (1, 2)$. Since π is P_{α_1}/B ($\simeq \mathbb{P}^1$)-fibration, the relative tangent bundle on G/B with respect to π is the line bundle $\mathcal{L}(\alpha_1)$. Therefore from the above diagram we have the following exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{L}(w, \alpha_1) \to \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})} \to f_3^* \Theta_{Z(w_1,\underline{i}_1)} \to 0$$

of vector bundles on $Z(w, \underline{i})$. Note that by [Sen16, Corollary 6.4, p.780] it follows that $H^2(w, \alpha_1) = 0$. This gives rise to a long exact sequence

$$0 \to H^{0}(w, \alpha_{1}) \to H^{0}(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})}) \to H^{0}(Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1}), \Theta_{Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1})})$$

$$\to H^{1}(w, \alpha_{1}) \to H^{1}(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})}) \to H^{1}(Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1}), \Theta_{Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1})}) \to 0,$$

of *B*-modules.

Note that by using Lemma 2.1 or by Borel-Weil-Bott we have

$$H^0(s_1, \alpha_1) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1} \oplus \mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1} \text{ and } H^1(s_1, \alpha_1) = 0.$$

Note that the unipotent radical $R_u(P_{\alpha_1})$ of P_{α_1} acts trivially on the *B*-module $H^0(s_1, \alpha_1)$ because it acts trivially on $P_{\alpha_{i_1}}/B$. As an \widetilde{B}_{α_2} -module, indecomposable summands of $H^0(s_1, \alpha_1)$ are $\mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1}, \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1}$ and \mathbb{C}_0 . Therefore, by Lemma 2.4 we have the following:

$$\mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1}, \mathbb{C}_0 = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_0, \text{ and } \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1}$$

where V(0) denotes the trivial one-dimensional \tilde{L}_{α_2} -module. Since $\langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \rangle = -2$, by using Lemma 2.2 we have

$$H^{0}(s_{2}, H^{0}(s_{1}, \alpha_{1})) = \mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1}-\alpha_{2}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1}-2\alpha_{2}}$$

and

$$H^{1}(s_{2}, H^{0}(s_{1}, \alpha_{1})) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{1} + \alpha_{2}}$$

as $s_2 \cdot \alpha_1 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$.

By using (SES) for $w = s_2 s_1$, *B*-module $V = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1}$ and j = 0, 1, we have

$$H^0(s_2s_1, \alpha_1) = H^0(s_2, H^0(s_1, \alpha_1))$$
 and $H^1(s_2s_1, \alpha_1) = H^1(s_2, H^0(s_1, \alpha_1))$.

Therefore we have

$$H^{0}(s_{2}s_{1},\alpha_{1}) = \mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1}-\alpha_{2}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1}-2\alpha_{2}} \text{ and } H^{1}(s_{2}s_{1},\alpha_{1}) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{2}}.$$

Note that as an \widetilde{B}_{α_1} -module the indecomposable summands of $H^0(s_2s_1, \alpha_1)$ are the following

$$\mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1}, \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}, \text{ and } \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1-2\alpha_2}$$

Moreover by Lemma 2.4

$$\mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1} = V(1) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_1}, \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1 - \alpha_2} = V(0) \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-\omega_1}$$

and

$$\mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1-2\alpha_2}=V(0)\otimes\mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1-2\alpha_2}},$$

where V(i) denotes an i + 1-dimensional irreducible \tilde{L}_{α_1} -module. Therefore by using Lemma 2.2, we have the following

$$H^0(s_1, H^0(s_2s_1, \alpha_1)) = \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2}$$
 and $H^1(s_1, H^0(s_2s_1, \alpha_1)) = 0$

Similarly, since $\langle \alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \alpha_1 \rangle = -1$, by using Lemma 2.2 we have

$$H^0(s_1, H^1(s_2s_1, \alpha_1)) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_2}.$$

Therefore by using (SES) we have the following

$$H^0(w, \alpha_1) = \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2}$$
 and $H^1(w, \alpha_1) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_2}$.

Recall the following short exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{L}(w_1, \alpha_2) \to \Theta_{Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1)} \to f_2^* \Theta_{Z(w_2, \underline{i}_2)} \to 0$$

of vector bundles on $Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1)$, where $w_2 = s_1$ and $\underline{i}_2 = (1)$.

Note that by [Sen16, Corollary 6.4, p.780] it follows that $H^2(w_1, \alpha_2) = 0$. This gives rise to a long exact sequence

$$0 \to H^{0}(w_{1}, \alpha_{2}) \to H^{0}(Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1}), \Theta_{Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1})}) \to H^{0}(Z(w_{2}, \underline{i}_{2}), \Theta_{Z(w_{2}, \underline{i}_{2})})$$

$$\to H^{1}(w_{1}, \alpha_{2}) \to H^{1}(Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1}), \Theta_{Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1})}) \to H^{1}(Z(w_{2}, \underline{i}_{2}), \Theta_{Z(w_{2}, \underline{i}_{2})}) \to 0,$$

of *B*-modules.

Note that $Z(w_2, \underline{i}_2) \simeq P_{\alpha_1}/B$. Therefore we have

$$H^{0}(Z(w_{2},\underline{i}_{2}),\Theta_{Z(w_{2},\underline{i}_{2})}) = H^{0}(s_{1},\alpha_{1}) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{1}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{1}}$$

and

$$H^{1}(Z(w_{2}, \underline{i}_{2}), \Theta_{Z(w_{2}, \underline{i}_{2})}) = H^{1}(s_{1}, \alpha_{1}) = 0.$$

Since α_2 is a short root, it follows from [Sen16, Corollary 5.6, p. 778] that $H^1(w_1, \alpha_2) = 0$. Therefore from the above discussion we have the following

$$H^{1}(Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1}), \Theta_{Z(w_{1}, \underline{i}_{1})}) = 0.$$

By using (SES) we have $H^0(w_1, \alpha_2) = \mathbb{C}_0 \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_2} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}$. Therefore from the above long exact sequence corresponding to $Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1)$, we have

$$H^0(Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1), \Theta_{Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1)})_{\mu} = 0$$

for $\mu = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \alpha_2$. Thus from the above long exact sequence corresponding to Z(w, i), we have the following short exact sequence

$$0 \to H^1(w, \alpha_1) \to H^1(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w, \underline{i})}) \to H^1(Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1), \Theta_{Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1)}) \to 0$$

of *B*-modules. Since $H^1(Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1), \Theta_{Z(w_1, \underline{i}_1)}) = 0$, we have

$$H^{1}(Z(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})}) = H^{1}(w,\alpha_{1}) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{2}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{2}}.$$

Recall that $\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}) = G \times^{B} Z(w,\underline{i})$. Consider the natural first component projection

$$\pi: \mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}) \to G/B.$$

Therefore we have the following exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{R} \to \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,i)} \to \pi^* \Theta_{G/B} \to 0$$

of vector bundles on $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$, where \mathcal{R} denotes the relative tangent bundle on $\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i})$ with respect to π . Note that $H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}), \pi^* \Theta_{G/B})$ vanishes, because $H^1(G/B, \Theta_{G/B})$ and $H^1(Z(w, \underline{i}), \mathcal{O}_{Z(w,\underline{i})})$ vanish. Therefore, we have the following exact sequence

$$\begin{split} 0 &\to H^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\mathcal{R}) \to H^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,i)}) \to H^0(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\pi^*\Theta_{G/B}) = \mathfrak{g} \\ &\to H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\mathcal{R}) \to H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i}),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,i)}) \to 0 \end{split}$$

of G-modules. Hence by using note (2) (see after Corollary 3.4) we have

$$H^{1}(\mathcal{Z}(w,i),\Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,i)}) = H^{1}(\mathcal{Z}(w,i),\mathcal{R}).$$

By the above computation, the non-zero weights of $H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})})$ are roots. Since the index of a non-singular root is at most one, by using Lemma 4.2 we have $H^2(G/B, H^0(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})})) = 0$.

Therefore to show $H^1(\mathcal{Z}(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{\mathcal{Z}(w,\underline{i})})$ does not vanish by five term exact sequence it is sufficient to show $H^0(G/B, H^1(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})}))$ does not vanish. Note that $H^1(Z(w, \underline{i}), \Theta_{Z(w,\underline{i})}) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_2}$. In order to compute the cohomology module $H^0(G/B, \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_2})$, we fix a reduced expression $w_0 = s_1 s_2 s_1 s_2$. Then by using (SES) we have

$$H^{0}(G/B, \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{2}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{2}}) = \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{2}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_{2}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{0} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-\alpha_{2}} \oplus \mathbb{C}_{-(\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{2})} = V(\omega_{1}),$$

where $V(\omega_1)$ denotes the finite dimensional irreducible *G*-module with highest weight ω_1 .

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