

Integrality of unipotent subgroups of Kac-Moody groups

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For infinite dimensional groups, we will use certain representations of the underlying Kac–Moody algebra.

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Unfortunately our current methods do not extend to a proof of integrality of $U(\mathbb{Q})$, though we conjecture integrality to hold for $U(\mathbb{Q})$, or perhaps a completion of $U(\mathbb{Q})$.

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