

**Title:** Explicit central elements of quantized Lie algebras

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**Abstract:** The simplest example of a quantized Lie algebra is  $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ , and it has a canonical central element called the *Casimir element*. For more general quantized Lie algebras  $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{g})$ , where  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a simple Lie algebra, there is a formula for computing central elements (see [3]). However, it is not explicitly written in terms of the generators of  $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{g})$ .

In the cases of  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{gl}_n, \mathfrak{so}_5, \mathfrak{sp}_4$ , there are examples of explicit central elements (see [1, 2, 4], respectively). In this project, we extend these methods to other Lie algebras  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

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