

# Characterizing Borcherds-Kac-Moody algebras

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- Someone should find a suitable generalization of BKM algebras.

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$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}(A) := \hat{\mathfrak{g}}(A) / \{h_{ij} : i \neq j\} \text{ for some } A.$$

(Convention of [Gannon 2006].)

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using [Kac 1990, Borcherds 1988, Jurisich 1996]



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# Questions?

Thank you for your attention!