

Eric Sommers - 2nd lecture

G finite group

$$(V, \pi), \pi: G \rightarrow GL(V) \cong GL_n(F)$$

def. of representation

$W \subset V$ is a subrepresentation means W is a subspace and $g \cdot w \in W \quad \forall g \in G, \forall w \in W$

def: V is irreducible (simple) if $\{0\}$ and V are the only subreps of V ($V \neq 0$)

completely reducible: V is completely reducible means $V = W_1 \oplus \dots \oplus W_k$ where $W_i \subset V$ irreducible, subrep. (v. space direct sum)

Maschke's thm: If $\text{char } F = 0$ or $\text{char } F \nmid |G|$, then V is completely reducible.

proof: $(\cdot, \cdot): V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ Hermitian form

$$(v_1 + v_2, w) = (v_1, w) + (v_2, w)$$

$$(\lambda v, w) = \lambda (v, w), \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$(v, \lambda w) = \bar{\lambda} (v, w)$$

$$(v, w) = (w, v)$$

positive definite: $(v, v) \geq 0$ and $(v, v) = 0$ iff $v = 0$.

$(e_i, e_j) = \delta_{ij}$, extend sesquilinear

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \cdot (y_1, \dots, y_n) = \sum x_i \bar{y}_i$$

[fact: all such forms are equivalent up to change of basis in V]

def: $T: V \rightarrow V$; if $(T \cdot v, T \cdot w) = (v, w) \quad \forall v, w$, we say T is unitary

A unitary matrix if it preserves standard Hermitian form $\Leftrightarrow A \bar{A}^t = I$

$$U_n := \{ \text{all such } A \} \text{ unitary gp}$$

U

$$O_n := \{ \text{all } A \in GL_n(\mathbb{R}) : A A^t = I \} \text{ compact Lie group}$$

$$\langle v, w \rangle := \sum_{g \in G} (g \cdot v, g \cdot w) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{start w/ std} \\ \text{p.d. Hermitian form} \end{array} \right.$$

exer: $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is a pos. def. Hermitian form on V

fact: $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is G -invariant

$$\text{i.e. } \langle \pi(g) \cdot v, \pi(g) \cdot w \rangle = \langle v, w \rangle$$

$$\forall g \in G, \forall v, w \in V$$

i.e. $\pi(g) \in U_n$ (up to change of basis)

$$\tilde{g} \in G \quad v, w \in W$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \tilde{g} \cdot v, \tilde{g} \cdot w \rangle &= \sum_{g \in G} \langle g \tilde{g} \cdot v, g \tilde{g} \cdot w \rangle \\ &= \sum_{g \in G} \langle g \cdot v, g \cdot w \rangle = \langle v, w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Let $W \subset V$ subrep.

$$W^\perp := \{ v \in V \mid \langle v, w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall w \in W \}$$

$V = W \oplus W^\perp$ as v. spaces (pos. def. Herm.)

W^\perp is a subrep of V

$$g \in G, v \in W^\perp \quad \text{WANT: } g \cdot v \in W^\perp$$

$$\langle g \cdot v, w \rangle = \langle v, \overset{m}{g} \cdot \overset{m}{w} \rangle = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} w \in W \\ v \in W^\perp \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} m \\ W^\perp \\ m \\ W \end{matrix}$$

$\Rightarrow g \cdot v \in W^\perp$ and W^\perp subrep.

finish: $\bullet V$ irred. \checkmark subrep.
 $\bullet V$ reducible $\Rightarrow 0 \subsetneq W \subsetneq V$
 $\Rightarrow V = W \oplus W^\perp$

\bullet iterate
 (dim $_{\mathbb{C}} V < \infty$)

\uparrow nonzero + proper

$$V \xrightarrow{P} W, \quad P: V \rightarrow V, \quad W \subset V$$

$$\text{im } P = W$$

$$P^2 = P$$

$$\tilde{P} = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} g \circ P \circ g^{-1}$$

$$\text{im } \tilde{P} = W, \quad \ker \tilde{P} \oplus W = V$$

fact: $\pi(g)$ is diagonalizable $\forall g \in G$

ff1: $\pi(g) \in U_n \Rightarrow \pi(g)$ diag.
(normal operator)

ff2: $H = \langle g \rangle$ cyclic gp. $\subset G$
(abelian)

\Rightarrow the irred. reps of H are 1-dim

$g \mapsto V$ rep of H (restriction)

$$V|_H = \langle v_1 \rangle \oplus \langle v_2 \rangle \oplus \dots \oplus \langle v_m \rangle$$

subreps

$g \cdot v_i = \lambda_i v_i$, i.e. v_i is an eigenvector
for $\pi(g)$.

recall: $\pi(g)$ diag. means V has
a basis of eigenvectors.

$$\pi(g) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_m \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{w.r.t.} \\ \text{this basis} \\ A A^T = I \end{array}$$

$|\lambda_i| = 1$ since unitary

in fact, $\pi(g)^m = I \Rightarrow \lambda_i^m = 1$

$$\text{Tr}(\pi(g)) = \sum \lambda_i = \text{sum of } \lambda_i \text{ values}$$

\nearrow algebraic integer

V, W reps $\rightarrow V \oplus W$ rep

$$g(V, W) = (g \cdot V, g \cdot W)$$

F v. space

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Hom}(V, W) = \{ \theta: V \rightarrow W, \text{ linear} \}$$

Make $\text{Hom}(V, W)$ into a rep of G

$$\theta \in \text{Hom}(V, W), \quad g \cdot \theta = ?$$

$$g \cdot \theta(v) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} g \cdot \theta(g^{-1} \cdot v)$$

$$(gh) \cdot \theta = g \cdot (h \cdot \theta)$$

$$\begin{aligned} [(gh) \cdot \theta](v) &= (gh) \cdot \theta(g^{-1} \cdot v) & (gh)^{-1} &= h^{-1} g^{-1} \\ (g(h \cdot \theta))(v) &= g \cdot [(h \cdot \theta)(g^{-1} \cdot v)] \\ &= g \cdot [h \cdot \theta(h^{-1}(g^{-1} \cdot v))] \dots \end{aligned}$$

check details

$\text{Hom}(V, W)$ rep of G

U

$$\text{Hom}_G(V, W) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \theta: V \rightarrow W \text{ linear} \\ \theta(g) \circ \theta = \theta \circ \pi(g) \\ \text{for all } g \in G \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(V, \pi), (W, \rho)$$

\nearrow maps between rep (V, π) (W, ρ)
 \nearrow means $T \in \text{Hom}_G(V, W)$

homomorphisms of reps.

T is an isomorphism or equivalence
if $T \in \text{Hom}_G(V, W)$ and it's
invertible (i.e. isom. of V -spaces)

U is a rep of G

$$U^G := \{ u \in U \mid g \cdot u = u \quad \forall g \in G \}$$

$$\text{exerc: } \text{Hom}(V, W)^G = \text{Hom}_G(V, W)$$

3rd lecture

Schur's lemma

1. V, W irreducible and $V \not\cong W$
then $\text{Hom}_G(V, W) = \{0\}$ (any F)

2. V irred., $\text{End}_G(V) = \text{Hom}_G(V, V)$
is a ring under composition $T \circ T'$
called an F -algebra. Then $\text{End}_G(V)$
is a division ring.

[fields \subset div. rings; an example of a
div. ring which isn't a field is
 $\mathbb{H} =$ quaternions; $x \in \mathbb{H} \setminus \{0\} \Rightarrow x^{-1}$ exists;
in general $xy \neq yx$]

3. V irred., $F = \mathbb{C}$, $\text{Hom}_G(V, V) \cong \mathbb{C}$ consists
of $\{ \lambda: \text{id}_V \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \}$

Th: ① $\phi: V \rightarrow W$

$\ker \phi \subset V$ subrep

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$v \in \ker \phi$ and $g \in G$ WANT: $g.v \in \ker \phi$

$$\phi(g.v) = g.\phi(v) = g.0 = 0 \Rightarrow g.v \in \ker \phi$$

$\Rightarrow \ker \phi \subset V$ subrep.

$\ker \phi = 0$ or V

$\text{im } \phi = 0$ or W

If $\ker \phi = V$ or $\text{im } \phi = 0$, then $\phi = 0$

If $\phi \neq 0$, then $\ker \phi = 0$ and $\text{im } \phi = W$

$\Leftrightarrow \phi$ isom. of v . spaces

\Leftrightarrow " " reps

$$\Rightarrow V \cong W$$

② from ① if $\phi \neq 0$, then \exists an isomorphism $\Rightarrow \phi$ is invertible in $\text{End}_G(V) \Rightarrow \text{End}_G(V)$ is a division ring.

③ $F = \mathbb{C}$ and $\phi: V \rightarrow V \exists v \neq 0$ st $\phi(v) = \lambda v$ since $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ "eigenvector"

$$\Leftrightarrow \ker(\phi - \lambda \text{id}_V) \neq \{0\} \quad \underline{\text{Vined.}}$$

$\ker(\phi - \lambda \text{id}_V) \subset V$ subrep

$$\Rightarrow \ker(\phi - \lambda \text{id}_V) = V$$

($\text{End}_G(V)$ is closed under +)

given $\phi \in \text{End}_G(V)$,

$$\lambda \text{id}_V \in \text{End}_G(V) \supset F \cong \{ \lambda \cdot \text{id}_V \}$$

$$g.(\lambda \text{id}_V(v)) = g(\lambda.v) = \lambda(g.v) = (\lambda \text{id}_V)(g.v) \quad g \text{ linear}$$

$$\rightarrow \phi - \lambda \text{id}_V \equiv 0$$

$$\boxed{\phi \equiv \lambda \text{id}_V}$$

$\mathbb{Q}(w)$ $w = \sqrt{-1} \cong \mathbb{C}$
 \mathbb{Q} repn of G on $\mathbb{Q}(w)$ given by left mult. of $-w$

[$F = \mathbb{Q}$ repn]

this 2-dim rep. is irred. over \mathbb{Q} . why?

$$\text{schur} \Rightarrow \text{End}_G(\mathbb{Q}(w)) = \mathbb{Q} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{End}_G(V \cong \mathbb{Q}^2) \subset \text{End}(\mathbb{Q}^2) = M_2(\mathbb{Q}) \quad \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \lambda + 1$$

$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \\ & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset ? \neq M_2(\mathbb{Q})$$

$$\text{End}_G(V) \cong \mathbb{Q}(w) \leftarrow \text{field}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Maschke's

$$V = \underbrace{(V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_1)}_{a_1} \oplus \underbrace{(V_2 \oplus \dots \oplus V_2)}_{a_2} \oplus \dots \oplus \underbrace{(V_k \oplus \dots \oplus V_k)}_{a_k}$$

V_i are irred. subreps, mutually non isomorphic.

W an arbitrary irred. rep.

$$\text{Hom}_G(W, V) = \text{Hom}_G(W, \bigoplus_i a_i w_i)$$

$$\text{as } v \text{ spaces} \rightarrow = \bigoplus_i a_i \text{Hom}_G(W, V_i) \quad \text{"check"}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \bigoplus a_j \text{Hom}_G(W, V_j) & \text{where } w \cong V_j \\ 0 & \text{if no such } j \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \text{Hom}_G(W, V) = a_j$$

if $W \cong V_j$ appears in decomp.

counting multiplicity of W in rep. V

$$V = \underbrace{(V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_1)}_{W_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \underbrace{(V_j \oplus \dots \oplus V_j)}_{W_j} \oplus \dots$$

claim: $W_i = \sum U$ where $U \subset V$ subrep and $U \cong V_i$

ie W_i is uniquely determined

" V_i -isotypic components of V ".

character

$\chi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ is called character

$\hat{G} := \text{Hom}(G, \mathbb{C}^\times)$ gp. homom.

\hat{G} abel. gp.

If (V, π) is an arbitrary rep, then

def: the (linear) character of V , denoted $\chi_V: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, is by def

$$\chi_V(g) = \text{tr}(\pi(g)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$$

facts:

1. $V \cong W \Rightarrow \chi_V = \chi_W$

2. $g = xhx^{-1}$ in G , $g, h, x \in G$

ie g, h in same conj class in G

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(g) &= \text{tr}(\pi(xhx^{-1})) \\ &= \text{tr}(\pi(x)\pi(h)\pi(x)^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

$\pi(g)$ and $\pi(h)$ are conjugates

$$\Rightarrow \text{tr}(\pi(g)) = \text{tr}(\pi(h))$$

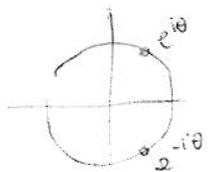
$$\Rightarrow \chi_V(g) = \chi_V(h)$$

ie χ_V constant on conjugacy classes
"class functions"

3. V is 1-diml: χ_V agrees w/ existing defn.

4. $\chi_V(g) = \sum \lambda_i$ where $\pi(g) \sim \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^{-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\lambda}_1 & & \\ & \bar{\lambda}_2 & \\ & & \bar{\lambda}_n \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\pi(g^{-1})) &= \sum \bar{\lambda}_i \\ &= \overline{\sum \lambda_i} = \overline{\chi_V(g)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\chi_V(g^{-1}) = \overline{\chi_V(g)}$$

Character table for G

$$G = C_3$$

	1	2	χ^2 conjugacy classes
triv.	1	1	1
	1	ω	ω^2
	1	ω^2	ω

irred reps

rows and columns orthogonal

big thm: square matrix

$$1 \cdot \omega \cdot \omega^2 = 0$$

discrete Fourier transform

$$G = S_3$$

	1	$\begin{pmatrix} (12) \\ (23) \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} (132) \\ (123) \end{pmatrix}$
triv	1	1	1
sign	1	-1	1
2-d	2	0	-1

$$S_3 \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\} \quad (12) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \det = -1$$

$$(123) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \det = 1$$

$$\phi: S_3 \rightarrow GL_3(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$$

$$\phi(AB) = \phi(A)\phi(B), \quad \phi = \det$$

$$\ker \phi = A_3 = \langle (123) \rangle$$

$$V \oplus W \quad \chi_{V \oplus W} = \chi_V + \chi_W \quad \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{tr} = \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$$

Perm $\{1, 2, 3\}$ = trivial \oplus 2-diml = standard

$$\chi_{\text{perm}} = \chi_{\text{triv}} + \chi_{\text{std}}$$

$$\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi_i(g) \chi_j(g^{-1}) = \delta_{ij}$$

where χ_i are the characters of irred. reps