

6. group action.

orbits, fixed points, stabilizer

Theorem (Stab-orbit)

$$O_G(x) \xrightarrow{\cong} G/G_x^x$$

$$|O_G(x)| = [G : G_x^x]$$

$SO(3)$ acts on S^2 . $\text{Orb}_{SO(3)} = S^2$

$$\text{Stab}_{SO(3)}(\hat{z}) \cong SO(2)$$

$$S^2 \cong SO(3)/SO(2)$$

$SU(2)$ on \mathbb{C}^2 . $S^3 \cong SU(2)$

7. G -action on itself.

① H a subgroup, right action on G .

$$gH = \{gh \mid h \in H\} \quad \text{left-cosets}$$

$$|gH| = |H|$$

+ Lagrange. Finite G .

$$|G|/|H| = [G:H]$$

② action by conjugation.

orbits / conjugacy class

$$C(h) = \{ \underline{g h g^{-1}} \mid g \in G \}$$

Stab-orb. $|C(g)| = [G : C_G(g)]$

$\hookrightarrow \text{Stab}_G(g)$

centralizer

Finite G . $|C(g)| = \frac{|G|}{|C_G(g)|}$
 $+ |G| = \sum |C(g)|$

$\Rightarrow |G| = \sum_{f \in \mathcal{C}(G)} \frac{|G|}{|C_G(f)|}$ "class equation"

\hookrightarrow ① $|G| = p^n \Rightarrow Z(G) \neq \{e\}$

② (Cauchy). $p \mid |G| \Rightarrow \exists g \in G. g^p = 1$

class function.

function f on G .

$$f(g h g^{-1}) = f(h) \quad \forall h, g \in G.$$

\hookrightarrow mat rep.

$$\chi_T(g) = \text{Tr } T(g) \quad \text{character}$$

\hookrightarrow equivalent rep. $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \quad \exists \varphi_2. \text{ s.t.}$

$$\varphi_2(g) = \varphi_2 \varphi_1(g) \varphi_2^{-1} \quad \forall g, \in G.$$

mat. rep. $T_1: G \rightarrow GL(n, k)$

$T_2: G \rightarrow GL(n, k)$

$\exists S \in GL(n, k)$ s.t.

$T_2(g) = S T_1(g) S^{-1} \quad \forall g \in G.$

8. Morphisms of G spaces / equivariant map

$f: X \rightarrow X'$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{f} & X' \\
 \downarrow \Phi(g) & & \downarrow \Phi'(g) \\
 X & \xrightarrow{f} & X'
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 f(\Phi(g)x) = \Phi'(g)(fx) \\
 f(gx) = g \cdot fx
 \end{array}$$

9. The symmetric group S_n .

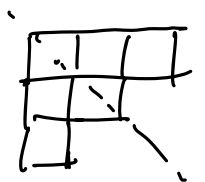
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = (1243)$

① unique cycle decomposition of $\phi \in S_n$

② r -cycles are conjugate

↳ conjugacy classes labeled by partitions of n .

$S_6, \vec{\lambda} = \{3, 2, 1\}$



Young diagram.

$$\text{sgn}: S_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$\phi \mapsto \text{sgn}(\phi) = (-1)^{n-t} \quad \text{len. of cycle decomposition}$$

$$A_n \triangleleft S_n \quad \text{sgn}(\phi \in A_n) = 1$$

Why S_n ?

finite G of order n .

embed S_n

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\cong some subgroup of S_n

$$D_4 \cong S_4 \subset S_8 \quad (|D_4| = 8)$$

10. quotient groups

$N \triangleleft G$. then G/N has a natural group structure

$$(f_1 \cdot N) \cdot (f_2 \cdot N) := (f_1 f_2) \cdot N$$

$$\mu: G \rightarrow G/N$$

$$f \mapsto fN$$

$$\ker \mu = N$$

1st. isomorphism theorem $\mu: G \rightarrow G'$

$$G/\ker \mu \cong \text{im } \mu$$

11. exact sequence.

$$\rightarrow G_{i-1} \xrightarrow{f_{i-1}} G_i \xrightarrow{f_i} G_{i+1}$$

$$\text{im } f_{i-1} = \ker f_i$$

SES. $1 \xrightarrow{f_0} G_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} G_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} G_3 \xrightarrow{f_3} 1$

① $\ker f_1 = \text{im } f_0 = \{1\}$ f_1 injective

② $\text{im } f_2 = \ker f_3 = G_3$ f_2 surjective.

$$1 \rightarrow N \rightarrow G \rightarrow Q \rightarrow 1$$

G is an extension of Q by N .

$$\begin{cases} N \cong H \triangleleft G \\ Q \cong G/N \end{cases}$$

↳ Central extension: $N \subset Z(G)$

$$1 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow SU(2) \rightarrow SO(2) \rightarrow 1$$

8. Representation theory

8.0. Some motivation

1 In QM. Symmetries are represented by unitary/linear, antiunitary/antilinear operators in Hilbert space \mathcal{H} .

(Wigner. 1931 ; Weinberg. QFT-I. 1995)

If the Hamiltonian H has certain symmetry.

represented by U . $U^\dagger H U = H$. / $[H, U] = 0$

They have the same eigen states.

\Rightarrow simultaneous diagonalization.

$$H = t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} c_i^\dagger c_j + h.c.$$



$$H = \begin{array}{|cccc} \hline 0 & t & & \\ \hline t & 0 & t & 0 \\ & t & 0 & t \\ & & t & 0 & t \\ 0 & & & t & 0 & t \\ & & & & t & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$c_k^\dagger = \sum_i e^{ikr_i} c_i^\dagger / c_i^\dagger = \sum_k e^{-ikr_i} c_k^\dagger$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{H} = 2t \sum_k \cos k_i a c_k^\dagger c_k$$

$$k_i = \frac{2\pi i}{aN} \quad i = 0, \dots, N-1$$

$$\tilde{H} = \begin{array}{|c} \hline 2t \cos k_1 \\ \hline 2t \cos k_2 \\ \hline \vdots \\ \hline \end{array}$$

eigen space labeled by $\underline{k_i}$

2 Symmetry \Leftrightarrow selection rules $[H, W] = 0$

$\Rightarrow \exists S. s.t$

block-diagonal.

$$S H S^{-1} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline H_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & H_2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & H_3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Symmetry sectors labeled by (a set of) different quantum numbers

e.g. for Fermions . QN. = particle number
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3. Conservation laws.

Noether's theorem:

Continuous symmetry \Leftrightarrow classically conserved current.

Review of basic definitions

$$\textcircled{1} \quad G \rightarrow GL(V)$$

V some vector space over field K

$GL(V) / \text{Aut}(V)$: invertible linear transformations $V \rightarrow V$.

$\textcircled{2}$ Rep. of G . is a group homomorphism.

$$T: G \rightarrow GL(V)$$

$$g \mapsto T(g)$$

(T, V) denotes the representation.

$$T(g_1) T(g_2) = T(g_1 g_2) \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G.$$

V is called the carrier space / representation space.

Given an ordered basis of finite dim V .

$$\{\hat{e}_1, \dots, \hat{e}_n\} \Rightarrow GL(V) \cong GL(n, K)$$

$$\underline{T(g) \hat{e}_i = \sum_j M(g)_{ji} \hat{e}_j}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(g_1) [T(g_2) \hat{e}_i] &= T(g_1) \sum_j M(g_2)_{ji} \hat{e}_j \\ &= \sum_j M(g_2)_{ji} (T(g_1) \hat{e}_j) \\ &= \sum_j M(g_2)_{ji} \sum_k M(g_1)_{kj} \hat{e}_k \\ &= \sum_k [M(g_1) M(g_2)]_{ki} \hat{e}_k \end{aligned}$$

$$T(g_1)T(g_2) = T(g_1g_2) \Leftrightarrow M(g_1)M(g_2) = M(g_1g_2)$$

In terms of group actions. rep. of G
is a G -action on a vector space
that respects linearity

$$g \cdot (\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2) = \alpha_1 g \cdot v_1 + \alpha_2 g \cdot v_2 \quad \begin{array}{l} v_i \in V \\ \alpha_i \in K \end{array}$$

Examples

1. rep. of degree / dim 1.

$$T: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$$

for element of order n . $g^n = 1_G$

$$T(g)^n = 1 \quad T(g) \text{ are roots of } 1$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_3 \cong \mu_3 \cong A_3 = \langle g \rangle \quad T(g) = \omega = e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}} / e^{i\frac{4\pi}{3}}$$

if take $T(g) = 1$ trivial representation
(unit)

2. "regular representation" of a finite group.

(more to be discussed later)

Let $\dim V = |G| = n$. with an ordered

basis set $\{\hat{e}_g\}$ ($g \in G$)

$$T(g_1) \cdot \hat{e}_{g_2} = \hat{e}_{g_1g_2}$$

V	e	a	b	c
e	e	a	b	c
a	a	e	c	b
b	b	c	e	a
c	c	b	a	e

$$\langle a, b \mid a^2 = b^2 = (ab)^2 = e \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$e = (0, 0)$$

$$a = (1, 0)$$

$$b = (0, 1)$$

$$c = (1, 1)$$

$$T_{\text{reg}} : \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow GL(V) \quad (\dim V = 4)$$

$$V = \{ \hat{e}_e, \hat{e}_a, \hat{e}_b, \hat{e}_c \}$$

$$T(e) \hat{e}_g = \hat{e}_g$$

$$T(e) = \mathbb{1}_4$$

$$\begin{cases} \chi(T(e)) = \dim V \\ = 4 \\ \chi(T(g \neq e)) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$T(a) \hat{e}_e = \hat{e}_a$$

$$T(a) \hat{e}_a = \hat{e}_e$$

$$T(a) \hat{e}_b = \hat{e}_c$$

$$T(a) \hat{e}_c = \hat{e}_b$$

$$T(a) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. more generally. G acts on set X

$$x \mapsto gx$$

Let V be a vector space with basis $\{e_x \mid x \in X\}$

$$T(g)e_x = e_{gx}$$

permutation representation.

$$4. \quad G = \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C} \quad T : G \rightarrow GL(\mathbb{C})$$

$$n \mapsto a^n \quad (a \in G^*)$$

$$n_1 + n_2 \mapsto a^{n_1} \cdot a^{n_2} = a^{n_1 + n_2}$$

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$$5. G = \mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbb{R} \cdot \mathbb{C} \quad T: G \rightarrow GL(2, \mathbb{C})$$

$$n \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$6. G = GL(n, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \text{one-dim. representation}$$

$$T(g) := |\det g|^M$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(g_1 g_2) &= |\det(g_1 g_2)|^M = |\det g_1|^M |\det g_2|^M \\ &= T(g_1) T(g_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$7. 1+1 \text{ dim Lorentz group}$$

$$x^{0'} = \cosh \theta x^0 + \sinh \theta x^1$$

$$x^{1'} = \sinh \theta x^0 + \cosh \theta x^1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x^{0'} \\ x^{1'} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \theta & \sinh \theta \\ \sinh \theta & \cosh \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \end{pmatrix} = B(\theta) \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left(B(\theta) \in O(1, 1) = \{A \mid A^T \eta A = \eta\}, \eta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$B(\theta_1) \cdot B(\theta_2) = B(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$$

Definition. Let (T_1, V_1) and (T_2, V_2) be two reps. of a group G . An intertwiner (intertwining map intertwining map) between these two reps is a linear transformation $A: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$

s.t. $\forall g \in G$. the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_1 & \xrightarrow{A} & V_2 \\ T_1(g) \downarrow & & \downarrow T_2(g) \\ V_1 & \xrightarrow{A} & V_2 \end{array}$$

i.e. $T_2(g)A = A \cdot T_1(g)$

A is an equivariant linear map of G spaces $V_1 \rightarrow V_2$

$\text{Hom}_G(V_1, V_2)$: vector space of all intertwinors.

Definition. Two reps (T_1, V_1) and (T_2, V_2) are equivalent $(T_1, V_1) \cong (T_2, V_2)$ if there is an intertwiner $A: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ which is an isomorphism, that is

$$T_2(g) = A T_1(g) A^{-1} \quad (\forall g \in G)$$

Unitary representations

Let V be a complex vector space over \mathbb{C} .

Define the inner product on V as a sesquilinear map $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ obeying

(1) $\langle v, \cdot \rangle$ is linear for all fixed v .

(2) $\langle w, v \rangle = \overline{\langle v, w \rangle}$

(3) $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0$ $\iff v = 0$

Sesquilinear:

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \langle v, \alpha_1 w_1 + \alpha_2 w_2 \rangle = \alpha_1 \langle v, w_1 \rangle + \alpha_2 \langle v, w_2 \rangle \\ \langle \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2, w \rangle = \overline{\alpha_1} \langle v_1, w \rangle + \overline{\alpha_2} \langle v_2, w \rangle \end{array} \right)$$

Definition, Let V be an inner product space

A unitary rep is a rep (V, U)

s.t. $\forall g \in G$ $U(g)$ is a unitary

operator on V . i.e.

$$\langle U(g)v, U(g)w \rangle = \langle v, w \rangle \quad \forall v, w \in V \\ \forall g \in G.$$

Definition, If a rep (V, T) is equivalent to a unitary rep. then it is said to be unitarizable.