

Recap. reducible & irreps

reducibility : $W \subset V$ invariant subspace

reducible rep. $W \neq 0, V$.

if not reducible : irrep.

$V = \bigoplus W_i$: completely reducible.

reducibility depends on the field. K

$SO(2)$ $K = \mathbb{R}$ $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ irreducible on \mathbb{R}^2

on \mathbb{C} $\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\theta} \end{pmatrix} \cong U(1)$

regular rep. (of finite G)

S_3	χ	(1)	(123)	(12)
\bar{P}_1	1	1	1	1
\bar{P}'_1	1	1	1	-1
\bar{P}_2	2	2	-1	0

$$|S_3| = 6$$

$$\chi(e) = 6$$

$$\chi(g \neq e) = 0$$

$$V^{\text{reg. rep}} \cong V^{\bar{P}_1} \oplus V^{\bar{P}'_1} \oplus 2V^{\bar{P}_2}$$

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isotypic decomposition

isotypic components

$$V \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} \bigoplus_{i=1}^{a_{\mu}} V^{(\mu)} \quad \underline{a_{\mu}}$$

$$P: 1 \leftrightarrow 2$$

$$Z_2 \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1\rangle + |2\rangle)$$

$$P|1\rangle = |1\rangle$$

$$|1_A\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1\rangle - |2\rangle)$$

$$P|1_A\rangle = -|1_A\rangle$$

$$V \cong \{ |1\rangle \} \oplus \{ |1_A\rangle \}$$

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Schur's lemma

$$\text{Lemm 1. } \begin{array}{ccc} V_1 & \xrightarrow{A} & V_2 \\ T_1(\mathcal{B}) \downarrow & & \downarrow T_2(\mathcal{B}) \\ V_1 & \xrightarrow{A} & V_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} V_i \text{ irreps over} \\ \underline{\text{any field } K} \end{array}$$

$$T_2(\mathcal{B})A = AT_1(\mathcal{B})$$

$\Rightarrow A = 0$ or isomorphism

(inj. + surjective / invertible)

Proof, $\ker A := \{v_1 \in V_1 \mid A(v_1) = 0\}$

$\text{im } A := \{v_2 \in V_2 \mid \exists v_1 \in V_1, \text{ s.t. } v_2 = Av_1\}$

- ① $v_1 \in \ker A$. $A(T_1(\mathcal{B})v_1) = \underline{T_2(\mathcal{B})} \underline{A(v_1)} = 0$
 $\Rightarrow T_1(\mathcal{B})v_1 \in \ker A, \forall \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{K}$
 $\Rightarrow \ker A$ is an invariant subspace. (of V_1)
- ② $v_2 \in \text{im } A$. $\exists v_1, v_2 = Av_1$
 $\underline{T_2(\mathcal{B})} v_2 = \underline{T_2(\mathcal{B})} Av_1$
 $= A(\underline{T_1(\mathcal{B})} v_1) \in \underline{\text{im } A}$
 $\in V_2$
 $\Rightarrow \text{im } A$ is an invariant subspace. (of V_2)

V_i is an irrep. $\Rightarrow \ker A$ is either 0 or V

if $\ker A = V_1$, then $A=0$ (a)

else $\ker A = 0$. A is injective (b.1)

$(\nexists v \neq 0. Av = 0)$ \Updownarrow
 $(v_1 \neq v_2 \Rightarrow Av_1 \neq Av_2)$

$v_1 \neq v_2$ & $Av_1 = Av_2$

$\Rightarrow A(v_1 - v_2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow v_1 - v_2 \in \ker A$

$\Rightarrow \text{im } A$ is non-zero.

$\Rightarrow \text{im } A = V_2$ = A is surjective (b.2)

(b.1) + (b.2) \Rightarrow A is an isomorphism.

Lemma 2. (T, V) is an irrep of G on

V a complex vector space

$A: V \rightarrow V$. intertwiner.

$\Rightarrow Av = \lambda v$ ($\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$)

Proof. $Av = \lambda v$. $\exists v$ over \mathbb{C} .

$(p(x) = \det(xI - A))$ has a root in \mathbb{C}

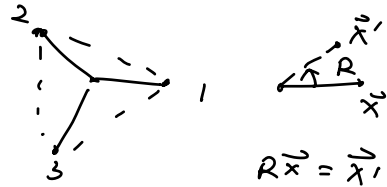
Then the eigenspace $C = \{w : Aw = \lambda w\}$ is non-zero.

$$A T(\mathcal{B})w = T(\mathcal{B})Aw = \lambda T(\mathcal{B})w \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{C} \quad (3)$$

$\Rightarrow C$ is a $\begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ \text{invariant} \\ \searrow \end{matrix}$ subspace.
 $\begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ \text{non-trivial} \\ \searrow \end{matrix}$
 $\frac{V \text{ is an irrep}}{\Rightarrow} \underline{C = V}$

Γ counter example on \mathbb{R}^2

$$\mathbb{Z}_3 \cong A_3 \subset SO(2)$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}^2 & \xrightarrow{R} & \mathbb{R}^2 \\ T(\mathcal{B}) \downarrow & & \downarrow T(\mathcal{B}) \\ \mathbb{R}^2 & \xrightarrow{R} & \mathbb{R}^2 \end{array}$$

$$T(\mathcal{B}) \cdot R = R \cdot T(\mathcal{B})$$

R is an intertwiner

$$R(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\neq \lambda \mathbb{1}_2 \quad \lambda$$

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move to \mathbb{C}

$$R(\theta) = e^{i\theta}, e^{-i\theta} \quad \alpha \perp V$$

Implications for physics

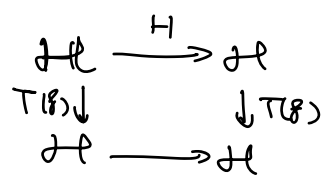
\mathcal{H} is a Hilbert space, is a representation
of some symmetry group G , and
completely reducible.

$$\underline{\underline{\mathcal{H} \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} \mathcal{H}^{(\mu)}}}$$

$$\mathcal{H}^{(\mu)} := D_{\mu} \otimes V^{(\mu)}$$

H is an Hamiltonian $H : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$.

is an intertuner $[H, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{G}}] = 0$



→ Schur's lemma 2

$$H \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} H^{(\mu)} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{V^{(\mu)}}$$

↳ Hermitian operator on D_{μ}

$$S H S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} H^{\mu_1} & & & \\ & H^{\mu_2} & & \\ & & H^{\mu_3} & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_{(i, \alpha_i)}^{\mu_i} \quad i = 1, \dots, n_{\mu} = \dim V^{(\mu)}$$

$\alpha = 1 \dots \alpha_{\mu}$ multiplicity

$$H_{(i_1, \alpha_1), (i_2, \alpha_2)}^{\mu} = \delta_{i_1, i_2} \underline{h_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2}}$$

↓ Schur's lemma 2 ↳ depends on the physical system

$$A : V^{\mu} \rightarrow V^{\mu} \propto \mathbb{1}_{n_{\mu}}$$

If an operator $\mathcal{O} \cdot [\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{G}}] = 0$

$$\mathcal{O} = \bigoplus_{\mu} \mathcal{O}^{\mu} \times \mathbb{1}_{V^{(\mu)}}$$

$$\langle \psi_1, \mathcal{O} \psi_2 \rangle = 0 \quad \text{if } \psi_1 \in \mathcal{H}^{(\mu)} \cdot \psi_2 \in \mathcal{H}^{(\nu)} \quad (\mu \neq \nu)$$

Example



$$\hat{H} = -t \sum_{ij} a_i^\dagger a_j + h.c.$$

$$Q \cong C_N = \langle T | T^N = 1 \rangle$$

$$\frac{\hat{H}}{t} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & \\ & 1 & 0 & \ddots \\ -1 & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{N \times N \text{ matrix.}}$$

basis transformation:

$$a_k^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_i e^{ikr_i} a_i^\dagger$$

$$\sum_i a_i^\dagger a_{i\pm 1} = \dots = 2 \cos ka a_k^\dagger a_k$$

$$\hat{H} = -2t \sum_k \cos ka a_k^\dagger a_k$$

$$-\frac{\hat{H}}{2t} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos k_1 a & & & \\ & \cos k_2 a & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \quad k_i = \frac{2\pi}{N} i$$

$$\mathcal{H} \cong \bigoplus_k \mathcal{H}^{(k)}$$

$$\underline{\mathcal{H}^{(k)} = \sum_i e^{ikr_i} |i\rangle}$$

Example 2.

multiple symmetries

— — 2-orbital system.

$$\hat{n} = \underline{d^\dagger d}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 H = & \underbrace{U \sum_m \hat{n}_{m\uparrow} \hat{n}_{m\downarrow}} + (U-2J) \sum_{m \neq m'} \hat{n}_{m\uparrow} \hat{n}_{m'\downarrow} \quad \textcircled{6} \\
 & + (U-3J) \sum_{\sigma} \hat{n}_{m\sigma} \hat{n}_{m'\sigma} \\
 & - J \sum_{m \neq m'} \underline{d_{m\uparrow}^\dagger d_{m\downarrow} d_{m'\downarrow}^\dagger d_{m'\uparrow}} \\
 & + J \sum_{m \neq m'} \underline{d_{m\uparrow}^\dagger d_{m\downarrow}^\dagger d_{m'\downarrow} d_{m'\uparrow}}
 \end{aligned}$$

total number conserved. $[H, N] = 0 \quad N = \sum_m \hat{n}_m$

S_z conserved $[H, S_z] = 0$

S^2 conserved $[H, S^2] = 0$

total global symmetry. $U(1)_N \otimes U(1)_{S_z} \subset U(1)_N \otimes SU(2)_{S^2}$

$$\dim \mathcal{H} = (\mathcal{H}_1)^{\otimes 2}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \{ \emptyset, \uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow\downarrow \}$$

$$= \underline{16}$$

$$\boxed{4^N}$$

$$\dim \mathcal{H}_1 = 4$$

$$U(1)_N \otimes SU(2)_{S^2} \quad \begin{matrix} \nu & s \\ (0, 0) & \dim 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} (1, \frac{1}{2}) & 4 & \begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \end{matrix} \times \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} (2, 0) & 3 & \uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} (2, 1) & 3 & (\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow) \uparrow \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} (3, \frac{1}{2}) & 4 & \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} (4, 0) & 1 & \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{\nu, s_i} \mathcal{H}^{(\nu, s_i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underline{(N=2, S=\infty)} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_{2\downarrow}^+ C_{2\uparrow}^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (C_{1\downarrow}^+ C_{2\uparrow}^+ - C_{1\uparrow}^+ C_{2\downarrow}^+) \\ C_{1\downarrow}^+ C_{1\uparrow}^+ \end{array} \right. \quad \textcircled{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\uparrow\downarrow \rightarrow u \qquad \downarrow\uparrow \rightarrow \uparrow\downarrow - J$$

$$\uparrow\downarrow \rightarrow u - 2J \qquad \rightarrow \uparrow\downarrow \rightarrow \uparrow\downarrow - J$$

$$\uparrow\uparrow \rightarrow u - 3J$$

$$H^{(2,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} u & 0 & J \\ 0 & u - J & 0 \\ J & 0 & u \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} -J + u \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (C_{1\downarrow}^+ C_{1\uparrow}^+ - C_{2\downarrow}^+ C_{2\uparrow}^+) \\ -J + u \\ J + u \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (C_{1\downarrow}^+ C_{1\uparrow}^+ + C_{2\downarrow}^+ C_{2\uparrow}^+) \end{array}$$

Pontryagin duality

Abelian group $S \leftrightarrow U(1)$

Definition. Let S be an Abelian group.

The Pontryagin dual group \hat{S} .

is the group of homomorphisms

$\text{Hom}(S, U(1))$. For $\chi_1, \chi_2 \in \text{Hom}(S, U(1))$

define their product

$$(\chi_1 \cdot \chi_2)(s) := \chi_1(s) \cdot \chi_2(s)$$

$$(\chi_1 \cdot \chi_2)(s_1, s_2) = \chi_1(s_1 s_2) \cdot \chi_2(s_1 s_2)$$

$$= \chi_1(s_1) \chi_1(s_2) \chi_2(s_1) \chi_2(s_2) \quad \textcircled{5}$$

$$= [(\chi_1 \cdot \chi_2)(s_1)] [(\chi_1 \cdot \chi_2)(s_2)]$$

$\Rightarrow \chi_1 \cdot \chi_2$ is a homomorphism.

$\hat{S} = \text{Hom}(S, U(1))$ is also an Abelian group

Remarks

1. \hat{S} is the group of all complex one-dimensional unitary representations of S .

2. Elements of \hat{S} are called characters
(\hat{S} character group)