

§ 10. Orthogonality relations of matrix elements of reps; Peter-Weyl theorem.

Recall: (1) Basics of rep. rep.

$$L^2(G) = \{ f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \int_G |f(g)|^2 dg < \infty \}$$

is a unitary $G \times G$

(2) V a rep. $\text{End}(V) := \text{Hom}(V, V)$ is also a unitary rep of $G \times G$.

$$S \in \text{End}(V) : (g_1, g_2) \cdot S = T(g_1) \cdot S \cdot T(g_2^{-1})$$

$$\iota : \text{End}(V) \longrightarrow L^2(G)$$

$$S \longmapsto \underline{\text{Tr}_V(S T(g^{-1}))} := \varphi_S$$

matrix unit $\underline{e_{ij}} \longmapsto \underline{M_{ij}^{T(g^{-1})}} = \underline{M(g^{-1})_{ji}}$

by a simple extension:

$$\begin{aligned} \iota : \bigoplus_{\mu} \text{End}(V^{\mu}) &\longrightarrow L^2(G) \\ \bigoplus_i S_i &\longmapsto \underline{\underline{\sum_i \varphi_{S_i}}} \end{aligned}$$

Peter-Weyl theorem: G compact. Then there is an isomorphism of $G \times G$ representations

$$L^2(G) \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} \text{End}(V^{\mu})$$

where we sum over the distinct isomorphism class of each irrep exactly once.

Peter-Weyl theorem is the consequence of two statements.

1. Let (V, T) be a unitary irrep of a compact group G on a complex vector space V .

Then V is finite dimensional.

Proof: pick a nonzero $v \in V$. Define, for $w \in V$.

$$L(w) = \int_G df \langle T(f)v, w \rangle T(f)v$$

L is an operator $V \rightarrow V$

$$\begin{aligned} L(T(h)w) &= \int_G df \langle T(f)v, T(h)w \rangle T(f)v \\ &= \int_G df \langle T(h^{-1}f)v, w \rangle T(f)v \\ &\stackrel{h^{-1}f \rightarrow f}{=} \int_G df \langle T(f)v, w \rangle T(hf)v \\ &= T(h) \int_G df \langle T(f)v, w \rangle T(f)v \\ &= T(h) \cdot L(w) \end{aligned}$$

L is an intertwiner $\therefore LTh = T(h)L \quad \forall h \in G$.

Schur's lemma $\Rightarrow L = \lambda 1_V \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$\langle v, L(v) \rangle = \int_G dg |\langle T(g)v, v \rangle|^2$$

$$\hookrightarrow \equiv \lambda \|v\|^2$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\|v\|^2} \int_G dg \langle T(g)v, v \rangle$$

$$\text{Tr}(L) = \sum_i \langle v_i, L(v_i) \rangle$$

$$= \sum_i \int_G dg \langle T(g)v, v_i \rangle \langle v_i, T(g)v \rangle$$

$$= \sum_i \int_G dg |\langle v_i, T(g)v \rangle|^2$$

$$= \int_G dg \|T(g)v\|^2$$

$\|v\|^2$ due to unitary

$$= \|v\|^2 \text{vol}(G) < \infty$$

$$\lambda \cdot \dim V = \|v\|^2 \text{vol}(G)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \dim V = \text{vol}(G) \frac{\|v\|^4}{\int_G |\langle v, T(g)v \rangle|^2 dg}$$

2. Let G be a compact group. The Hermitian inner product on $L^2(G)$

$$\langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle := \int_G \varphi_1^*(g) \varphi_2(g) dg$$

with normalized Haar measure, s.t. the

$$\text{volume of } G \int_G dg = 1.$$

$$L^2(G) \cong \bigoplus_n a_n V^{(n)}$$

Let $\{V^{(n)}\}$ be a set of representations of distinct isomorphism classes of unitary irreps.

(Because of statement 1). For each $V^{(n)}$

choose an orthonormal (ON) basis $w_i^{(\mu)}$.

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

$$T^{(\mu)}(g) w_i^{(\mu)} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_\mu} M_{ji}^{(\mu)}(g) w_j^{(\mu)}$$

$M_{ij}^{(\mu)}$ form a complete orthogonal set of functions on $L^2(G)$.

$$\langle M_{i_1, j_1}^{(\mu_1)}, M_{i_2, j_2}^{(\mu_2)} \rangle = \frac{1}{n_\mu} \delta^{\mu_1, \mu_2} \delta_{i_1, i_2} \delta_{j_1, j_2}$$

Proof. $\forall A: V^\mu \rightarrow V^\nu$ a linear transf.

$$\tilde{A} := \int_G T^\nu(g) A T^\mu(g^{-1}) dg$$

$$T^\nu(h) \tilde{A} = \int_G T^\nu(hg) A T^\mu(g^{-1}) dg$$

$$\stackrel{g \rightarrow h^{-1}g}{=} \int_G T^\nu(g) A T^\mu((h^{-1}g)^{-1}) dg$$

$$= \left(\int_G T^\nu(g) A T^\mu(g^{-1}) dg \right) T^\mu(h)$$

$$= \tilde{A} T^\mu(h)$$

\tilde{A} is an intertwiner

$$V^\mu \xrightarrow{\tilde{A}} V^\nu$$

$$\downarrow T^\mu \quad \downarrow T^\nu$$

$$V^\mu \xrightarrow{\hat{A}} V^\nu$$

By Schur's lemma. $\tilde{A} = \delta_{\mu\nu} \hat{A}$. $\hat{A} = \underline{\underline{C_A A_\nu}}$

Assign a basis for V^μ and V^ν

$$[\tilde{A}]_{ia} = \underbrace{\delta_{\mu\nu} C_A}_{\text{}} \cdot \delta_{ia} = \int_{\mathcal{G}} d\mathcal{g} [M^\nu(\mathcal{g}) A M^\mu(\mathcal{g}^{-1})]_{ia}$$

$$= \sum_{i', a'} \int_{\mathcal{G}} d\mathcal{g} \underbrace{M_{i' i'}^\nu(\mathcal{g}) A_{i' a'} M_{a' i}^\mu(\mathcal{g}^{-1})}_{\text{}} \quad (*)$$

set $\mu = \nu$, $i = a$, and take the trace.

$$n_{C_A} = \sum_{i, i', a'} \int_{\mathcal{G}} d\mathcal{g} M_{i' i}^\mu(\mathcal{g}) A_{i' a'} M_{a' i}^\mu(\mathcal{g}^{-1})$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{G}} d\mathcal{g} \text{Tr} \left(\underbrace{M^\mu(\mathcal{g})}_{\text{}} A \underbrace{M^\mu(\mathcal{g}^{-1})}_{\text{}} \right)$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{G}} d\mathcal{g} (\text{Tr} A) = \text{Tr} A$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{C_A = \frac{1}{n_\mu} \text{Tr} A}}$$

Now take A to be the matrix unit e_{jk}
 ($\text{Tr} e_{jk} = \delta_{jk}$).

insert into (*)

$$\sum_{i', a'} \int_{\mathcal{G}} d\mathcal{g} M_{i' i}^\nu(\mathcal{g}) \underbrace{[e_{jk}]_{i' a'}}_{\text{}} M_{a' i}^\mu(\mathcal{g}^{-1}) = \frac{\text{Tr} e_{jk}}{n_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{ia}$$

$\frac{\delta_{jk}}{n_\mu}$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\mathcal{G}} d\mathcal{g} \underbrace{M_{ij}^\nu(\mathcal{g})}_{\text{}} \underbrace{M_{ka}^\mu(\mathcal{g}^{-1})}_{\text{}} = \frac{1}{n_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{ia} \delta_{jk}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$[M^\mu(\mathcal{g})^\dagger]_{ka} = \underline{\underline{M_{ak}^\mu(\mathcal{g})}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle M_{ak}^\mu, M_{ij}^\nu \rangle = \frac{1}{n_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{ia} \delta_{jk}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle M_{i_1, j_1}^{\mu_1}, M_{i_2, j_2}^{\mu_2} \rangle = \frac{1}{n_\mu} \delta^{\mu_1 \mu_2} \delta_{i_1, i_2} \delta_{j_1, j_2}$$

We have shown that $\{M_{ij}^{\mu}\}$ is a set of orthogonal functions on $L^2(G)$.

basis \Leftarrow completeness?

Let W be the subspace spanned by $\{M_{ij}^{\mu}\}$.

\Rightarrow The orthogonal complement W^{\perp} is also a unitary rep. of $G \times G$.

\Rightarrow decomposable into unitary irreps V^{μ}

$\{f_j\}_{j=1}^n$ transforms as V^{μ} under right regular rep.

$$R(g)f_j = \sum_k M(g)_{kj}^{\mu} f_k$$

$$\underset{=}{f}(hg) = \sum_k M(g)_{kj}^{\mu} f_k(h)$$

$$\stackrel{h=1}{\Rightarrow} f(g) = \sum_k \underbrace{f_k(1)} M_{kj}^{\mu}(g) \quad (\forall g \in G)$$

$f \in W$ contradiction with the assumption $f \in W^{\perp}$

$$\Rightarrow W^{\perp} = 0$$

[] of with left reg. rep.

$$L(g) f_j = \sum \mu^h(g)_{kj} f_k$$

$$\underline{f(g^{-1}h)} = \sum \mu^h(g)_{kj} f_k(h)$$

$$\begin{aligned} h=1 \Rightarrow \underline{f(g)} &= \sum \mu^1(g^{-1})_{kj} f_k(1) \\ &= \underline{\sum \overline{\mu^h(g)}_{jk} f_k(1)} \end{aligned}$$

$\{ \overline{\mu^h}_{ij} \}$ is another set
of orthogonal basis \downarrow

$\Rightarrow \{ \mu^h_{ij} \}$ is complete.

So now we know $\bigoplus_{\mu} \text{End } V^{\mu} \cong \underline{L^2(G)}$

Corollary for finite groups.

$L^2(G)$ of dim $|G|$.

$$\underline{\delta_a(g)} = \begin{cases} 1 & g=a \\ 0 & \end{cases}$$

$$(g \delta_{aa} = \delta_{ga})$$

$$\forall f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad f = \sum_{g \in G} f(g) \delta_g$$

$$\text{End}(V^{\mu}) \cong \text{Mat}_{n_{\mu} \times n_{\mu}}(\mathbb{C}) \quad \underline{e_{ij}}$$

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\text{End}(V^{\mu})) = n_{\mu}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |G| = \sum_{\mu} n_{\mu}^2$$

Examples 1. S_3 $|S_3| = 6$

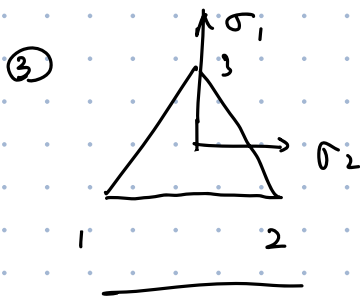
$$6 = 1 \times 6 \quad \times \text{ abelian} \\ = 1 + 1 + 2^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$L(S_3) \cong \Gamma_{\text{trivial}} \oplus \Gamma_{\text{sgn}} \oplus 2\Gamma_2 \\ (+) \quad \quad \quad (-) \quad (2)$$

① $M^+(\phi) = 1 \quad \forall \phi \in S_3$

② $M^-(\phi) = 1 \quad \phi \in \{(), (123), (132)\} = A_3$

$M^-(\phi) = -1 \quad \phi \in \{(12), (13), (23)\}$



$$M^{(2)}(12) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^{(2)}(13) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^{(2)}(23) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle M_{ij}^{\mu}, M_{i'j'}^{\mu'} \rangle = \frac{1}{n_{\mu}} \delta_{\mu\mu'} \delta_{ii'} \delta_{jj'}$$

a. $\langle M^+, M^- \rangle = 0$

b. $\langle M^+, M_{11}^{(2)} \rangle = \frac{1}{6} \sum M_{11}^{(2)}(\phi) = \frac{2}{6} (1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}) = 0$

c. $\langle M_{11}^{(2)}, M_{11}^{(2)} \rangle = \frac{2}{6} (1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{n_{\mu}}$

$$2. \quad G = \mathbb{Z}_2 = \langle \sigma \mid \sigma^2 = 1 \rangle$$

$$\varphi \in L^2(G) = \{ \text{Map}(G, \mathbb{C}) \}$$

$$\varphi(1) = \varphi_+ \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\varphi(\sigma) = \varphi_-$$

$$L^2(G) \cong \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 \text{ irreps } \rho_{\pm}(\sigma) = \pm 1 \quad V_{\pm} \cong \mathbb{C}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu^+(1) = \mu^-(1) = 1 \\ \mu^+(\sigma) = 1 \quad \mu^-(\sigma) = -1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi = \frac{\varphi_+ + \varphi_-}{2} \mu^+ + \frac{\varphi_+ - \varphi_-}{2} \mu^-$$

$\{ \mu^+, \mu^- \}$ or basis of $L^2(\mathbb{Z}_2)$

Previously: $T(\sigma)$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} P_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (\mu^{\pm}(1) \mathbb{1} + \mu^{\pm}(\sigma) T(\sigma)) \\ = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{1} \pm T(\sigma)) \end{array} \right) P_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{1} \pm T(\sigma)) \text{ is of the}$$

$$\text{is form: } P_{\pm} = \int_G \overline{\mu^{\pm}(g)} T(g) dg \quad (\text{later})$$

$$3. \quad G = U(1) \quad (\hat{G} = \mathbb{Z})$$

$$(\rho_n, \nu_n): \quad \rho_n(z) = z^n \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}. \quad \left(= \underline{e^{i\theta n}} \right)$$

$$\nu_n \cong \mathbb{C}$$

$$\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$$

$$\langle \rho_{n_1}, \rho_{n_2} \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} (\overline{\rho_{n_1}(\theta)})^* \rho_{n_2}(\theta) = \delta_{n_1, n_2}$$

$$e^{i\theta(n_1 - n_2)}$$

$$\{ \rho_n = e^{i\theta n} \} \text{ or basis: } \psi = \sum_n \alpha_n \rho_n$$

$$\alpha_n = \int_{U(1)} \overline{\rho_n} \psi(g) dg$$

4. S_4 ? $|S_4| = 24 = 1 + 1 + 3^2 + 13$?
 trivial standard
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S_4	e (□□□□)	(12) (□□)	$(2)(34)$ (□□)	(123) (□□)	(1234) (□□)
P_{triv}	1	1	1	1	1
P_{sgn}	1	-1	1	1	-1
P_{std}	3	1	-1	0	-1
$P_{\text{sgn}} \otimes P_{\text{std}}$	3	-1	-1	0	1
P_2	2				

is $13 = 2^2 + 3^2$, or 1×9 or else?

(Problem 15 from HW)

$$[g_1, g_2] = g_1 g_2 g_1^{-1} g_2^{-1}, \quad [G, G] \triangleleft G$$

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

$$\rho([g_1, g_2]) = \rho(g_1 g_2 g_1^{-1} g_2^{-1}) = \rho(e) = 1 \quad \text{trivial}$$

$$g[G, G] \in G/[G, G] \Rightarrow \rho(g[G, G]) = \rho(g)$$

distinct 1D rep of G = distinct rep of $G/[G, G]$

$G/[G, G]$ abelian \Rightarrow all irreps 1D

characters = # conj. classes

$$= |G/[G, G]|$$

$$[G, G] = A_n \Rightarrow |G/[G, G]| = 2$$

\Rightarrow two distinct 1D irreps

8.11 Explicit decomposition of a representation

Let (T, V) be any rep. of a compact group G . Define

$$\underline{P_{ij}^{(\mu)}} := n_{\mu} \int_G \overline{\mu_{ij}^{(\mu)}(g)} T(g) dg$$

$\mu_{ij}^{(\mu)}$ w.r.t. unitary irreps with ON. basis of $V^{(\mu)}$

$$\underline{P_{ij}^{(\mu)}} \underline{P_{kl}^{(\nu)}} = \delta^{\mu\nu} \delta_{jk} P_{il}^{(\nu)}$$

$$T(h) P_{ij}^{(\mu)} = n_{\mu} T(h) \int_G dg \overline{\mu_{ij}^{(\mu)}(g)} T(g)$$

$$= n_{\mu} \int_G dg \overline{\mu_{ij}^{(\mu)}(g)} T(hg)$$

$$\stackrel{hg \rightarrow g}{=} n_{\mu} \int_G dg \overline{\mu_{ij}^{(\mu)}(h^{-1}g)} T(g)$$

$$\parallel \mu_{ki}^{(\mu)}(h) \overline{\mu_{kj}^{(\mu)}(g)}$$

$$= \sum_k n_{\mu} \mu_{ki}^{(\mu)}(h) P_{kj}^{(\mu)}$$

$$T(h) P_i^{(\mu j)} = \sum_k \mu_{ki}^{(\mu)}(h) P_k^{(\mu j)}$$

$\forall \varphi \in V$. $(P_{ij}^{(\mu)} \varphi \neq 0)$. then

span $\{ \underline{P_{ij}^{(\mu)} \varphi}, i=1, \dots, n_{\mu} \}$ (fix μ, j)

transforms as (T^{μ}, V^{μ})

8.12. Orthogonality relations of characters ;

Character table.

8.12.1 Orthogonality relations

Recall - a class function on G :

$$f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}.$$

$f(g) = f(hgh^{-1}) \quad \forall g, h \in G$. They span
a subspace $L^2(G)^{\text{class}} \subset L^2(G)$.

Theorem The characters $\{\chi_\mu\}$ is an
orthonormal (ON) basis for the
vector space of class functions $L^2(G)^{\text{class}}$.

Proof.
$$\int_G dg M_{ij}^{(\mu)*} M_{kl}^{(\nu)} = \frac{1}{n_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl}$$

set $i=j$, $k=l$ & sum over ik

$$\Rightarrow \int_G dg M_{ii}^{(\mu)*} M_{kk}^{(\nu)} = \frac{1}{n_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{ik}$$

$$\sum_{i:k} \Rightarrow \int_G dg \chi_\mu^*(g) \chi_\nu(g) = \delta_{\mu\nu}$$

$\Rightarrow \{\chi_\mu\}$ ON set

Completeness?

$$\forall f \in L^2(G) \xrightarrow[\substack{\text{Peter-Weyl} \\ \{\mu_{ij}^\mu\} \text{ complete}}]{\text{Peter-Weyl}} f(g) = \sum_{\mu, i, j} \hat{f}_{ij}^\mu \mu_{ij}^\mu(g)$$

$$\text{of } f \in L^2(G)^{\text{class.}} \quad f(g) = f(hgh^{-1})$$

$$\int_G dh f(g) = \int_G dh f(hgh^{-1}) \\ \implies \int_G f(g)$$

$$\int_G f(hgh^{-1}) dh = \sum_{\mu, i, j} \hat{f}_{ij}^\mu \int_G \mu_{ij}^\mu(hgh^{-1}) dh$$

$$\downarrow \\ \mu_{ik}^\mu(h) \mu_{kl}^\mu(g) \mu_{lj}^\mu(h^{-1})$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{\mu, i, j \\ k, l}} \hat{f}_{ij}^\mu \mu_{kl}^\mu(g) \int_G \mu_{ik}^\mu(h) \mu_{jl}^{\mu*}(h) dh$$

$$\frac{1}{n_\mu} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \\ \equiv$$

$$= \sum_{\mu, i} \frac{\hat{f}_{ii}^\mu}{n_\mu} \chi_\mu(g)$$

$$\implies f(g) = \sum_{\mu, i} \frac{\hat{f}_{ii}^\mu}{n_\mu} \chi_\mu(g)$$

$\implies \{\chi_\mu\}$ spans full $L^2(G)^{\text{class.}}$