

8.12. Orthogonality relations of characters ;

Character table.

8.12.1 Orthogonality relations — (cont.)

isotypic decomposition of some rep V .

$$V \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} a_{\mu} V^{(\mu)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_V = \sum_{\mu} a_{\mu} \chi_{\mu}$$

$$a_{\mu} = \langle \chi_{\mu}, \chi_V \rangle = \int_G \overline{\chi_{\mu}(g)} \chi_V(g) dg$$

if $V \cong L^2(G)$ of a finite group.

$$\chi_V(e) = \dim V = |G|$$

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

$$a_{\mu} = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g \overline{\chi_{\mu}(g)} \chi_V(g) = \frac{1}{|G|} (\underbrace{n_{\mu} \cdot |G|}_{g=e} + \underbrace{0}_{g \neq e}) = n_{\mu}$$

$$|G| = \sum_{\mu} a_{\mu} \dim V^{\mu} = \sum_{\mu} n_{\mu} \cdot n_{\mu} = \sum_{\mu} n_{\mu}^2$$

Projection onto isotypic subspaces

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

$$P_{ij}^\mu P_{kl}^\nu = \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{j,k} P_{il}^\nu$$

$$T(h) P_{ij}^\mu = \sum_k M_{ki}^{(\mu)}(h) P_{kj}^\mu$$

Define $P^\mu := \sum_{i,j} P_{ij}^\mu$

$$P_\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{n_\mu} P_{ii}^{(\mu)} = n_\mu \int_G dg \overline{\chi_\mu(g)} T(g)$$

$$P_\mu P_\nu = \sum_{i=1}^{n_\mu} \sum_{j=1}^{n_\nu} P_{ii}^\mu P_{jj}^\nu = \delta_{\mu\nu} \sum_{ij} \delta_{ij} P_{ij}^\nu = \delta_{\mu\nu} P_\nu$$

$$(P_\mu^2 = P_\mu)$$

$$P_\mu^\dagger = n_\mu \int_G \chi_\mu(g) T^\dagger(g) dg$$

$$= n_\mu \int_G \chi_\mu(g^{-1}) T(g^{-1}) dg$$

$$= P_\mu$$

unitary: $\chi_\mu(g) = \sum \lambda_i$ $|\lambda_i| = 1$

$\chi_\mu(g^{-1}) = \sum \lambda_i^{-1} = \sum \overline{\lambda_i}$

\Rightarrow projectors onto isotypic subspaces

$$\forall \psi \in V: \quad T(h) \underbrace{P^\mu \psi}_{\in \mathcal{H}^\mu} = T(h) \sum_{i=1}^{n_\mu} P_{ii}^{(\mu)} \psi = \sum_{ki} M_{ki}^{(\mu)}(h) \underbrace{P_{ki}^{(\mu)} \psi}_{\in \mathcal{H}^\mu}$$

$$P^\mu \psi \in \mathcal{H}^\mu$$

$$\text{Tr}(P^\mu) = \langle \psi, P^\mu \psi \rangle = n_\mu \int_G dg \underbrace{\overline{\chi_\mu(g)} \chi_\mu(g)}_{a_\mu} = n_\mu a_\mu$$

$$= \dim(\mathcal{H}^\mu \cong \mathbb{K}^{a_\mu} \otimes V^{(\mu)})$$

8.12.2. Character table of finite groups

For finite groups,

we can define a set of class functions

$$\delta_{C_i}(g) = \begin{cases} 1 & g \in C_i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where C_i is a distinct conjugacy class.

$\{\delta_{C_i}\}$ is also a basis for the class functions $L^2(G)^{\text{class}}$.

From above, $\{\chi_\mu\}$ is a basis of $L^2(G)^{\text{class}}$.

Theorem. The number of conjugacy classes of a finite group G = the number of irreps.

The character table is an $r \times r$ matrix

	E			
	$m_1 C_1$	$m_2 C_2$	\dots	$m_r C_r$
trivial χ^1	$\chi_1(C_1)$	$\chi_1(C_2)$	\dots	$\chi_1(C_r)$
irreps \rightarrow	$\chi_2(C_1)$	$\chi_2(C_2)$	\dots	\vdots
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots		\vdots
χ^r	\vdots	\vdots		$\chi_r(C_r)$

$$\int_G dg \overline{\chi_\mu(g)} \chi_\nu(g) = \delta_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{\{C_i\}} m_i \overline{\chi_\mu(C_i)} \chi_\nu(C_i) = \delta_{\mu\nu}$$

define $S_{\mu i} = \sqrt{\frac{m_i}{|G|}} \overline{\chi_\mu(C_i)}$ then

$$\sum_{i=1}^r S_{\mu i} S_{\nu i}^* = \delta_{\mu\nu} \quad S \text{ is a unitary matrix}$$

$$\underline{S \cdot S^\dagger = \mathbb{1}_r}$$

There is a dual orthogonality relation

$$\frac{1}{m_i} \overline{\chi_\mu(C_i)} \chi_\nu(C_j) = \frac{|G|}{m_i} \delta_{ij}$$

Examples

1. $S_2 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$

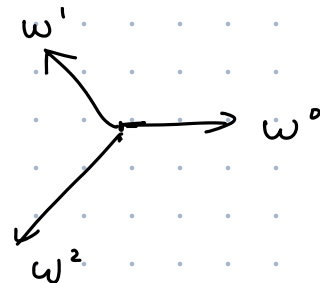
	1	[(12)]
1 ⁺	1	1
1 ⁻	1	-1

2. $G = \mathbb{Z}_n \quad \#\{C_j\} = n$

$\#\{\text{irreps}\} = n$

$$Z_3 : \rho_m(\bar{j}) = \underbrace{(\omega_m)^j}_{= (\omega_m)^{mj}} \quad \omega_m = e^{i \frac{2\pi}{3} m} \quad \omega = e^{i \frac{2\pi}{3}}$$

	$[\bar{0}]$	$[\bar{1}]$	$[\bar{2}]$
ρ_0	1	1	1
ρ_1	1	ω	ω^2
ρ_2	1	ω^2	$\omega^{2 \times 2} = \omega$



$$3. \quad G = S_3$$

$$\sigma - 2 \text{ cycles} \quad \tau - 3 \text{ cycles}$$

$$\sigma\tau\sigma = \tau^2 \quad \tau\sigma\tau^{-1} = \sigma^{-1}$$

	$[1]$	$3[(12)]$	$2[(123)]$
1^+	1	1	1
1^-	1	-1	1
2	2	A 0	B -1

Given a general rep & a character table. How do we find what irreps it reduces into?

① \mathbb{R}^3 rep of S_3 :

$$1 = \underline{1}_3 \quad (12) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (132) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\chi_V = 3 \quad 1 \quad 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu &= \langle \chi_\mu, \chi_V \rangle = \int_G (\chi_\mu(g))^* \chi_V(g) dg \\ &= \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g \overline{\chi_\mu(g)} \chi_V(g) \end{aligned}$$

	[1]	3[(12)]	2[(123)]
1^+	1	1	1
1^-	1	-1	1
2	2	0	-1
V	3	1	0

$$a_{1^+} = \frac{1}{6} (3 + 3 \times 1 + 2 \times 0) = 1$$

$$a_{1^-} = \frac{1}{6} (3 + 3 \times (-1) + 2 \times 0) = 0$$

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{6} (3 \times 2 + 0 + 0) = 1$$

$$\chi_V = \chi_{1^+} + \chi_2$$

$$V \cong V_{1^+} \oplus V_2$$

② Regular rep of S_3 . $\dim(L^2(S_3)) = |S_3| = 6$

$$\chi_V(e) = 6$$

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

$$a_\mu = \langle \chi_\mu, \chi_V \rangle = \frac{1}{|G|} \cdot |G| \cdot \chi_\mu(e) = \underline{\dim V^\mu}$$

$$\boxed{L^2(G) \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} (\dim V^\mu) \cdot V^\mu}$$

4. V a vector space. S_2 permutes on $V \otimes V$.

$$\tau: v_i \otimes v_j \mapsto v_j \otimes v_i$$

$$\chi_{V \otimes V}(1) = d^2$$

$$\chi_{V \otimes V}(0) = d \quad (\text{only } i=j)$$

$$a_{1+} = \langle \chi^{1+}, \chi_{V \otimes V} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} d(d+1)$$

$$a_{1-} = \langle \chi^{1-}, \chi_{V \otimes V} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} d(d-1)$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 1+ & 1 & -1 \\ 1- & 1 & -1 \end{array}$$

$$V \otimes V = \frac{1}{2} d(d+1) V^{1+} \oplus \frac{1}{2} d(d-1) V^{1-}$$

$T_{ij} v_i \otimes v_j \in V \otimes V$. basis for

symmetric tensors. $\frac{1}{2} (e_i \otimes e_j + e_j \otimes e_i)$

antisymmetric tensors: $\frac{1}{2} (e_i \otimes e_j - e_j \otimes e_i)$

8.13 Decomposition of tensor products of representations.

V carries space of dim n , basis $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

W m $\{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$

$V \otimes W$ dim $n \cdot m$ basis $\{v_i \otimes w_j \mid 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m\}$

$$\sum_i a_i v_i \otimes \sum_j b_j w_j = \sum_{ij} a_i b_j v_i \otimes w_j$$

Gr.-action $g \cdot (v \otimes w) := (g \cdot v) \otimes (g \cdot w)$

rep. $(T_1 \otimes T_2)(g)(v \otimes w) := T_1(g) \cdot v \otimes T_2(g) \cdot w$

mat. rep. $(M_1 \otimes M_2)(g)_{i_a, j_b} = [M_1(g)]_{ij} [M_2(g)]_{ab}$

character $\chi_{T_1 \otimes T_2} = \chi_{T_1} \cdot \chi_{T_2}$

① particle of spin $j_1, j_2 \Rightarrow V^{j_1} \otimes V^{j_2} = \bigoplus_{j_3} \mathbb{C}_{j_3} V^{j_3}$

② many-particle system, local Hilbert space

\mathcal{H}_i spin $1/2$ fermion = $\{\uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow\downarrow\}$

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigotimes_i \mathcal{H}_i \Rightarrow \bigoplus_i \mathcal{H}_i \xrightarrow{\text{Fock}} \dots$$

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$\underline{G} \otimes U(1) \otimes SU(2)$
space group

Let (V_1, T_1) and (V_2, T_2) be two representations with isotypic decompositions (over field K)

$$V_1 = \bigoplus_{\mu} a_{\mu} V^{\mu} \quad V_2 = \bigoplus_{\nu} b_{\nu} V^{\nu}$$

$$V_1 \otimes V_2 = \bigoplus_{\mu, \nu} a_{\mu} b_{\nu} \underline{\underline{V^{\mu} \otimes V^{\nu}}}$$

$$V^{\mu} \otimes V^{\nu} \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda} \underline{\underline{N_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda}}} V^{\lambda} \quad \left(\bigoplus_{\mu, \nu} D_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} \otimes V^{\lambda} \right)$$

$$\underline{\underline{\chi_{\mu} \cdot \chi_{\nu}}} = \sum_{\lambda} \underline{\underline{N_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda}}} \chi_{\lambda}$$

fusion coefficient
Clebsch-Gordan for $SU(2)$

$$N_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} = \langle \chi_{\lambda}, \chi_{\mu} \cdot \chi_{\nu} \rangle$$

for Finite groups

$$N_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \underline{\underline{\chi_{\mu}(g) \chi_{\nu}(g) \overline{\chi_{\lambda}(g)}}$$

$$m_i = |C_i| \quad = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{\{C_i\}} m_i \underline{\underline{\chi_{\mu}(C_i) \chi_{\nu}(C_i) \overline{\chi_{\lambda}(C_i)}}$$

$$N_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda} = N_{\nu\mu}^{\lambda} \quad \left(V^{\mu} \otimes V^{\nu} \cong V^{\nu} \otimes V^{\mu} \right)$$

Examples 1. ρ_m of \mathbb{Z}_N $\rho_m(g) = \left(e^{i \frac{2\pi}{N} m} \right)^j$

$$\rho_m \otimes \rho_n \cong \rho_{m+n}$$

$$N_{mn}^{\lambda} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{d \in \mathbb{Z}_N} \underline{\underline{e^{i \frac{2\pi}{N} (m+n)d} \cdot e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot \lambda d}}}$$

$$= \delta_{m+n, \lambda}$$

2. irreps of S_3 .

$$V^{1+} \otimes V^\mu \cong \bigoplus_\lambda N_{1^+, \mu}^\lambda V^\lambda$$

$$N_{1^+, \mu}^\lambda = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum m_i \chi_\mu(C_i) \overline{\chi_\lambda(C_i)}$$

$$= \delta_{\mu\lambda}$$

$$\bigoplus_\lambda \delta_{\mu\lambda} V^\lambda = V^\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{V^{1+} \otimes V^\mu \cong V^\mu}}$$

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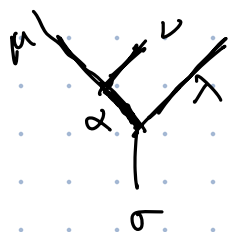
$$\left. \begin{aligned} V^- \otimes V^- &\cong V^+ \\ V^- \otimes V^2 &\cong V^2 \\ V^2 \otimes V^2 &\cong V^+ \oplus V^- \oplus V^2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\underline{(V^\mu \otimes V^\nu) \otimes V^\lambda \cong V^\mu \otimes (V^\nu \otimes V^\lambda)}$$

$$\text{LHS} \cong \bigoplus_\alpha \underline{D_{\mu\nu}^\alpha} \otimes V^\lambda$$

$$\cong \bigoplus_\sigma (\bigoplus_\alpha \underline{D_{\mu\nu}^\alpha} \otimes \underline{D_{\alpha\lambda}^\sigma}) \otimes V^\sigma \cong \bigoplus_\sigma (\bigoplus_\beta \underline{D_{\nu\lambda}^\beta} \otimes \underline{D_{\mu\beta}^\sigma}) \otimes V^\sigma$$

$$\sum_\alpha \underline{N_{\mu\nu}^\alpha} \underline{N_{\alpha\lambda}^\sigma} = \sum_\beta \underline{N_{\mu\beta}^\sigma} \underline{N_{\nu\lambda}^\beta}$$



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"F-move"

digression . " Category theory "

TQFT / anyons / top. quantum computation

$(x \otimes y) \otimes (z \otimes w) \rightarrow$ pentagon relation

(ref. PRB 100, 115147)

Summary of key results

① unitary rep. of compact G.

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

complete, orthogonal basis of $L^2(G)$.

② (Peter-Weyl) $L^2(G) \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} \text{End}(U^\mu)$

$$\iota: \bigoplus_{\mu} \text{End}(U^\mu) \rightarrow L^2(G)$$

$$\bigoplus_{\mu} S_{\mu} \mapsto \sum_{\mu} \varphi_{S_{\mu}}$$

$$\varphi_{S_{\mu}} = \text{Tr}_{U^\mu}(S T(\mathcal{F}^T))$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{finite } G: \boxed{|G| = \sum_{\mu} n_{\mu}^2}$$

($n_{\mu} = \dim U^{\mu}$)

③ characters.

$$\int_G \overline{\chi^{(\mu)}(g)} \chi^{(\nu)}(g) dg = \delta_{\mu\nu}$$

ON basis of $L^2(G)^{\text{class}}$.

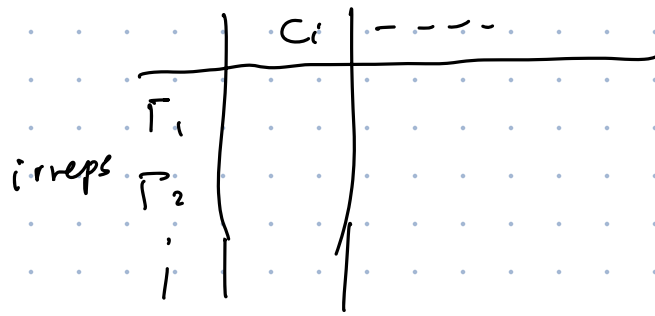
$$\textcircled{4} V \cong \bigoplus_{\mu} \mathbb{C}_{\mu} V^{(\mu)}$$

$$a_{\mu} = \int_G \overline{\chi^{(\mu)}(g)} \chi^{(\nu)}(g) dg = \langle \chi^{(\mu)}, \chi^{(\nu)} \rangle$$

$$\text{reg. rep. } a_{\mu} = \langle \chi^H, \chi \rangle = \frac{1}{|G|} (\dim n_{\mu}) \cdot |G|$$

$$= \dim n_{\mu}$$

⑤ # irreps = # conj. class.



rows: $\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{C_i} |C_i| \chi_{\mu}(C_i) \overline{\chi_{\nu}(C_i)} = \delta_{\mu\nu}$

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columns: $\sum_{\mu} \overline{\chi_{\mu}(C_i)} \chi_{\mu}(C_j) = \frac{|G|}{n_i} \delta_{ij}$

8.13 Group algebra of finite groups

Refs.

① Fulton & Harris. Representation theory (ATM 128)

Sec. 3.4.

* ② Miller. "Symmetry groups and their applications".

Chap 3

Chap 4 symmetric group rep.

* ③ 陈金全. 第二章 群表示基础

"群元既是算符. 又是基矢"

representation : $G \rightarrow GL(V)$

Introduce a new vector space R_G (group ring)

Ring : set with + and \times

① + : commutative ; 0 identity ; $-a$ inverse

② \times : (monoid). associative, identity

③ $a \times (b + c) = a \times b + a \times c$. distributive

§. 13.1. group algebra

Let G be a finite group of order n .

Define n -dim vector space R_G with basis

$$\{g, g \in G\}$$

$$x = \sum_{g \in G} x(g) \cdot g \quad x \in R_G \quad \underline{x(g) \in \mathbb{C}}$$

$$x = y \text{ iff } \forall g \in G: x(g) = y(g)$$

$$\underline{x + y} = \sum_{g \in G} x(g) \cdot g + \sum_{g \in G} y(g) \cdot g = \sum_{g \in G} (x(g) + y(g)) \cdot g$$

$$\alpha x = \sum_{g \in G} \alpha x(g) \cdot g \quad \underline{\alpha \in \mathbb{C}}$$

$$\underline{0} = \sum_{g \in G} 0 \cdot g$$

$$\underline{xy} = \left(\sum_{g \in G} x(g) \cdot g \right) \left(\sum_{h \in G} y(h) \cdot h \right) = \sum_{g, h} x(g) y(h) \cdot gh$$

$$= \sum_k \left(\sum_g x(g) y(g^{-1}k) \right) \cdot k \equiv \underline{\sum_k xy(k) \cdot k}$$

$$xy(k) = \sum_g x(g) y(g^{-1}k) \quad \text{convolution product}$$

$$(f * g)(t) = \int f(\tau) g(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$\Rightarrow R_G$ is a group ring / group algebra $K[G]$

$$x(g) \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{C}[G] \\ \downarrow \\ x(g) \in \mathbb{C} \end{array}$$