

Theorem 1 (Brauer) G : a finite group. Then every character of G is a \mathbb{Z} -linear combination of characters induced from elementary subgroups

↓ $(\mathbb{Z}/\ell\mathbb{Z}) \times (\text{a } p\text{-group})$ ℓ : prime to p

Theorem 2 (Brauer) G : finite group. Then every character of G is \mathbb{Z} -linear combination of monomial characters.

Defⁿ A : finite cyclic group
 define $\theta_A: A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ $\theta_A(y) = \begin{cases} \#A & \text{if } \langle y \rangle = A \\ 0 & \text{if } \langle y \rangle \neq A \end{cases}$

Lemma 1 G : finite group. Then

$$\sum_{\substack{A \leq G \\ A \text{ cyclic}}} \text{Ind}_A^G(\theta_A) = \#G =: g$$

Proof by brute-force computation

$\begin{cases} \#A & \text{if } yxy^{-1} \text{ is a generator of } A \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{\substack{A \leq G \\ A \text{ cyclic}}} \text{Ind}_A^G(\theta_A) \right)(x) &= \sum_{\substack{A \leq G \\ A \text{ cyclic}}} \sum_{\substack{yxy^{-1} \in A \\ y \in G}} 1 \\ &= \sum_{y \in G} 1 \quad \text{q.e.d.} \end{aligned}$$

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Remark:

A finite cyclic θ_A is a ^{virtual} character of A

(We saw a variant of this before.)

an HW problem

i.e. \forall irred character χ of A , $(\theta_A | \chi) \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $A = \mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z}$ $\chi: A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ $m+a\mathbb{Z} \mapsto e^{2\pi i m/a}$ $\sum_{m \in (\mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z})^\times} e^{2\pi i m/a} \in \mathbb{Z}$

Cor 2 Every \mathbb{Z} -valued class function on a finite group G st. $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{\#G} \quad \forall x \in G$

is an \mathbb{Q} -linear combination of characters induced from cyclic subgroups.

$$\mathbb{Z}[e^{2\pi i / \#G}] \cong \mathbb{Q}[\mu_{\#G}] \quad \#G = \#G$$

$\leftarrow \mathbb{Z}$ -valued class function

Pf: $\xi = \sum f_i$

$$= \left(\sum_{\substack{A \leq G \\ \text{cyclic}}} n_A \text{Ind}_A^G(\theta_A) \right) \cdot f_1$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{A \leq G \\ \text{cyclic}}} n_A \cdot \underbrace{\text{Ind}_A^G(\theta_A) \cdot f_1}_{\text{Ind}_A^G(\theta_A \cdot \text{Res}_A^G(f_1))}$$

a \mathbb{Z} -valued function, whose values are $\equiv 0 \pmod{\#A}$

$$\underbrace{(\theta_A \cdot \text{Res}_A^G(f_1))}_h = \sum_{\chi \in \text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{C}^*)} (h, \chi) \chi$$

q.e.d.

$$(h, \chi) = \frac{1}{\#A} \sum_{y \in A} h(y) \overline{\chi(y)}$$

$\frac{1}{\#A} h(y) \in \mathbb{Z} \quad 0$

Question: Can we replace $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Z}[e^{2\pi i / \#G}]$ by \mathbb{Z} in cor 2?

p : a prime nber. $p | G = \#G$

Construction: $G \ni x$, p -regular
i.e. $\text{order}(x) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$
 $P \leq Z(x)$, Sylow p -subgroup of $Z(x)$
 $H = \langle x \rangle \times P \leq Z(x) \leq G$ p -elem. subgp
 $p | \text{card}(G)$ a prime divisor of $\#G$

Let $\psi_x: C \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be $(\# \langle x \rangle) \cdot$ (the characteristic function of the singleton subset $\{x\} \subseteq C$)
 $\left(\begin{array}{l} \psi_x(y) = 0 \text{ if } y \neq x \\ = \#C \text{ if } y = x \end{array} \right)$

Define $\tilde{\psi}_x: H \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, $\tilde{\psi}_x = (\pi: H \rightarrow C)^* \psi_x$

$$\psi'_x = \text{Ind}_H^G(\tilde{\psi}_x)$$

Clearly ψ'_x is a \mathbb{Z} -valued class fnc

Rule: ψ'_x vanishes on elements of G which are not p -reg.

Lemma 3 (i) $\psi'_x(x) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$

(ii) $\psi'_x(y) = 0$ for every p -regular element of G not conjugate to x

(Note: In fact $\forall y \in G$, let $y = y_r \cdot y_s$, where $y_r, y_s \in \langle y \rangle$
 \downarrow p -reg \downarrow $\text{order} \in p\mathbb{N}$
then $\begin{cases} \psi'_x(y) = 0 \text{ if } y_r \text{ is not conjugate to } x, \\ \psi'_x(y) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p} \text{ if } y_r \text{ is conjugate to } x \end{cases}$)

Proof (straight-forward)

Have explained (ii). (i) = easy exercise (direct computation)

Corollary 4 ^{Fix $p \mid g, p = \text{prime}$} \forall prime divisor $p \mid \text{card}(G)$,

(a) $\exists \xi \in \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}[\mu_g]}_{\cong \mathbb{Q}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \underbrace{R_{p\text{-elem}}(G)}_{\cong \mathbb{Z}}$ \leftarrow all \mathbb{Z} -linear combinations of induced characters from p -elem. subgroup

$$\sum_{\substack{H \leq G \\ p\text{-elementary}}} \text{Im}(\text{Ind}_H^G: R(H) \rightarrow R(G))$$

i.e. ξ is a $\mathbb{Z}[\mu_g]$ -linear combination of characters induced from p -elementary subgroups such that ξ is \mathbb{Z} -valued central function on G and $\xi(x) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p} \quad \forall x \in G$

(b) Write $g = p^a \cdot m \quad p \nmid m, m \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$

Then $\xi^{\varphi(p^a)}(x) - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p^a} \quad \forall x \in G$

Immediate from (a)

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 \mathbb{Z} -valued class function,
 $\in \mathbb{Q} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R_{p\text{-elem}}(G)$.

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 $\text{card} \left(\left(\mathbb{Z}/p^a\mathbb{Z} \right)^{\times} \right)$
 $= \varphi(p^a)$

Consider the set $\bigcup_{\text{all}} Y_{G,p}$ p -regular G -conjugacy classes of G

Pick a set of representatives: $m = \# Y_{G,p}$

$\{x_1, \dots, x_m\} \subseteq G \Rightarrow$ Have $\psi'_{x_1}, \dots, \psi'_{x_m}$ \mathbb{Z} -valued class functions.

Let $\xi = \psi'_{x_1} + \dots + \psi'_{x_m}$ $\psi'_{x_i}(x_j) \begin{cases} \text{prime to } p & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \xi(x_i)$ is prime to $p \quad \forall i=1, \dots, m$
 i.e. the values of ξ on p -reg. elements are all prime to p .

For any element $y \in G$, consider the decomposition of $\langle y \rangle$ into a product of a ^{cyclic} p -group and a cyclic group of cardinality prime to p .

$$y = y' \cdot y'' \quad , \quad y', y'' \in \langle y \rangle$$

y' has order a power of p y'' has order prime to p y', y'' uniquely determined by y

\forall \mathbb{Z} -valued class function h on G which is an \mathbb{O} -linear combination of characters

$h|_{\langle y \rangle}$: a \mathbb{Z} -valued class function on $\langle y \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0} \text{ s.t. } y^{p^n} = y''^{p^n}$$

$$\Rightarrow h(y) \equiv h(y'') \pmod{p}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\Sigma}} \in \mathbb{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R_{p\text{-elem}}(G) \quad g = p^a \cdot m \quad p^a \parallel g \quad \downarrow \text{card}(G)$$

$$\Sigma \varphi(p^a) - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p^a}$$

$$\Rightarrow m \cdot \left(\Sigma \varphi(p^a) - 1 \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{\frac{\text{Card}(G)}{g}}$$

$$\Rightarrow m \cdot \left(\Sigma \varphi(p^a) - 1 \right) \in \mathbb{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R_{\text{elem}}(G)$$

$\mathbb{O} \otimes R_{\text{elem}}(G)$ is an ideal in $\mathbb{O} \otimes R(G)$

$$\Rightarrow \forall p \mid g = \#G, \quad \underbrace{m}_{\text{prime to } p} \in \mathbb{O} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R_{\text{elem}}(G)$$

Theorem (Brauer) \forall prime divisor $p \mid \text{card}(G) = g = p^a \cdot m$ $\text{gcd}(m, p) = 1$

$\frac{\mathbb{Z}[\mu_g]}{\mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} (R(G) / R_{\text{elem}}(G))$ is killed by m .
 \uparrow prime to p

But $\mathbb{Z}[\mu_g]$ is free \mathbb{Z} -module. so $R(G) / R_{\text{elem}}(G) = 0$. QED.

Theorem' $R(G) = \sum_{\substack{p \mid g \\ p: \text{prime}}} R_{p\text{-elem}}(G)$

Theorem'' Every character of G is a \mathbb{Z} -linear combination of characters induced from elementary subgroups. Consequently every character of G is a \mathbb{Z} -linear combination of characters induced from 1-dim^l characters of subgroups monomial'' characters.