

Lecture 23: Mackey's criterion

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⊛ Let G be group, H & K be subgrps of G . Let W be an H -mod.

What is $\text{Res}_K^G(\text{Ind}_H^G W)$?

Let $V = \text{Ind}_H^G W$ then

$$V = \bigoplus_{x \in G/H} xW$$

$\{KsH \mid s \in G\}$ be the collection of double cosets.

$$H_s = sHs^{-1} \cap K \text{ for } s \in G.$$

$$\rho_s: H_s \rightarrow GL(W) \quad \rho_s(x) = \rho(s^{-1}xs)$$

Let W_s denote the underlying H_s -mod for ρ_s

$$x \cdot w := \underbrace{s^{-1}xs}_{\in H} \cdot w \text{ for } x \in H_s$$

Prop $\text{Res}_K^G \text{Ind}_H^G W \cong \bigoplus_{\text{sum over double cosets.}} \text{Ind}_{H_s}^K W_s \cong \bigoplus_{s \in S} \text{Ind}_{H_s}^K W_s$

where S is a collection of representatives of the double coset $\{KsH \mid s \in G\} = K \backslash G / H$

Pf: Let $V = \text{Ind}_H^G W$

$$V = \bigoplus_{x \in G/H} xW$$

For $s \in S$, let

$$V(s) = \bigoplus_{\substack{x \in G/H \\ x \subseteq KsH}} xW \subseteq V$$

Note if $y \in K$

$$y \cdot V(s) = \bigoplus_{\substack{x \in G/H \\ x \subseteq KsH}} yxW = \bigoplus_{\substack{yx \in G/H \\ yx \subseteq KsH}} yxW = V(s)$$

So $V(s)$ is K -stable subreps of $\text{Res}_K V$

Also $s' \in S$ & $s' \neq s$ then

$$V(s') \cap V(s) = 0. \text{ So}$$

$$\text{Res}_K^G V = \bigoplus_{s \in S} V(s) \text{ and this is a } K\text{-reps.}$$

So enough to show $V(s) \cong \text{Ind}_{H_s}^K W_s$

$$V(s) = \bigoplus_{\substack{x \in G/H \\ x \subseteq KsH}} xW$$

$$\text{For } g \in H_s = sHs^{-1} \cap K \quad g(sW) = sW \quad (\because \bar{s}gs \in H \text{ \& } W \text{ is an } H\text{-mod})$$

Hence sW is an H_s -mod. Moreover

$$V(s) = \bigoplus_{\substack{x \in G/H \\ x \subseteq KsH}} x(sW) = \bigoplus_{x \in K/H_s} x(sW) \quad \left(\because g \in K \text{ s.t. } g(sW) = sW \Rightarrow \bar{s}gs \in H \Rightarrow g \in H_s \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow V(s) = \text{Ind}_{H_s}^K (sW) \quad \begin{matrix} H_s \neq xH_s \\ \text{then } xsW \cap sW = \{0\} \end{matrix}$$

Finally $sW \cong W_s$ as H_s -reps. In fact $\begin{matrix} W_s & \xrightarrow{p} & sW \\ w & \mapsto & s \cdot w \end{matrix} \subseteq V$ is the isom $\text{Ind}_{H_s}^G \rho(s)(w)$

$$\text{Forget } \rho(\rho^s(g)(w)) = \rho(\rho(\bar{s}gs)(w)) = \text{Ind } \rho(g)sW = \text{Ind } \rho(g) \rho(w) = g \cdot \rho(w)$$

$$\text{WTS } \rho(g \cdot w) = g \cdot \rho(w)$$

$\rho^s: w \mapsto s \cdot w$ $\rho: s \cdot w \mapsto g \cdot (s \cdot w)$



Apply this to $K=H$. Then for $s \in G$,

$$H_s = sHs^{-1} \cap H \quad \& \quad \text{Prop becomes } \rho: H \rightarrow GL(W)$$

$$\text{Res}_H^G \text{Ind}_H^G W \cong \bigoplus_{s \in S} \text{Ind}_{H_s}^H W_s$$

where S is the collection of representative of double cosets $H \backslash G / H = \{ HsH \mid s \in G \}$

& W_s is the H_s -mod via $g \in H_s$

$$\rho^s(g)(w) = \rho(s^{-1}gs)(w) \quad \text{for } w \in W_s = W$$

Note $\rho|_{H_s}$ is $\text{Res}_{H_s}^H W$ is also an H_s -repr.

Thm (Mackey's criterion): Let $\rho: H \rightarrow GL(W)$ repr.

$V = \text{Ind}_H^G W$ is irred iff

① W is irred &

② ρ^s & $\text{Res}_{H_s}^H \rho$ have no common nonzero subreps for $s \in G - H$.

Pf: $\langle V, V \rangle_G = \langle V, \text{Ind}_H^G W \rangle_G$

Frobenius Reciprocity $\rightarrow \langle \text{Res}_H^G \text{Ind}_H^G W, W \rangle_H$

$$= \sum_{s \in S} \langle \text{Ind}_{H_s}^H W_s, W \rangle_H$$

$$= \sum_{s \in S} \langle \rho^s, \text{Res}_{H_s}^H \rho \rangle_{H_s}$$

If $s=e$ then $H_s = H$ & $\rho^s = \rho$

$$H_e = e H e^{-1} \cap H = H$$

$$= \langle \rho, \rho \rangle_H + \sum_{\substack{s \in S \\ s \notin G \setminus H}} \langle \rho^s, \text{Res}_{H_s}^H \rho \rangle_{H_s}$$

$$\langle \rho, \rho \rangle_H \geq 1$$

$$\langle \bigvee_i V_i, \bigvee_j V_j \rangle_G = 1 \quad \text{iff} \quad \langle \rho, \rho \rangle_H = 1 \quad \&$$

$$\langle \rho^s, \text{Res}_{H_s}^H \rho \rangle = 0$$

$$\forall s \in S \quad \& s \notin G \setminus H$$

$\Rightarrow V$ is irr iff W is irr & ② of the thm holds.



Cor: If $H \trianglelefteq G$ then

$\text{Irr}_H^G W$ is irr iff W is
irred. & the every conjugate
repr of H is not isom to ρ .

Conjugate repr is ρ^s for
 $s \notin H$.

Pf: $H_s = H$ if H is normal
& $\text{Res} \rho = \rho$ \square

Representation of Symm group S_n

⑧ Irrred repr are in bijection
with conjugacy classes in S_n .

$(1)(1)\dots(1)$ n 1-cycles

$(1)(1)\dots(1)$ 1 2-cycle & $n-2$ 1-cycles

Conjugacy classes are in bijection
with partitions of n .

i.e. $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$ s.t. $\lambda_i \geq 1$ &

$$\sum \lambda_i = n \quad \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_k$$

 λ_1 boxes

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
8	9	10	11	12			
13	14	15	16				
17							

young tableaux

$$(1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7)(8\ 9\ 10\ 11\ 12)(13\ 14\ 15\ 16)(17)$$

$$n = 17$$

conjugate
tableaux

← trivial

$$\lambda \longleftrightarrow g \in \mathbb{C} S_n$$

← syn ref.

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