

# Group Representation 3

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## 1 homework

**PROBLEM I** Let  $\phi$  is representation of  $GL_n(K)$  over  $K^n$ . And  $\phi(A)\alpha := A\alpha$ . Prove:  $\phi$  is faithful and irreducible and  $n$ -dimensional.

**SOLUTION**. It is obvious that  $\phi$  is  $n$ -dimensional.  $\forall A, B \in GL_n(K)$ ,  $A \neq B$ ,  $\exists \alpha \in K$ ,  $A\alpha \neq B\alpha$ , so  $\phi(A)\alpha = A\alpha \neq B\alpha = \phi(B)\alpha$ . So  $\phi$  is injective, so it is faithful.  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K^n \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\exists A \in GL_n(K)$  s.t.  $A(\alpha) = \beta$ , so there is no invariant subspace of  $K^n$ .  $\square$

**PROBLEM II** For  $A \in GL_n(K)$ , let  $\psi(A)X = AX, \forall X \in M_n(K)$ . Then:

1.  $\psi$  is  $n^2$ -dimensional representation of  $GL_n(K)$  over  $K$ .
2. For  $j : 1 \leq j \leq n$ , let  $M_n^{(j)}(K) := \{(a_{ik})_{n \times n} : a_{ik} \neq 0 \rightarrow k = j\}$ . Prove  $M_n^{(j)}$  is invariant subspace of  $GL_n(K)$ . Let  $\psi$  is subrepresentation of  $\psi$  in  $M_n^{(j)}$ , prove  $\psi_j$  is irreducible and  $\psi = \bigoplus_{j=1}^n \psi_j$ .
3. Prove  $\psi_j \cong \phi$ , where  $\phi = (\text{PROBLEM I}).\phi$

**SOLUTION**. 1. Since  $M_n(K)$  is  $n^2$ -dimensional on  $K$  and  $\forall A, B \in GL_n(K), \forall X \in M_n(K)$ ,  $\psi(AB)X = ABX = \psi(A)BX = \psi(A)(B)X$ , so  $\psi$  is a homomorphism. So  $\psi$  is a  $n^2$ -dimensional representation.

2.  $\forall A \in GL_n(K), \forall X \in M_n^{(j)}(K)$ , let  $X = (x_{ik})_{n \times n}$ ,  $A = (a_{ik})_{n \times n}$ ,  $\phi(A)X = AX = (b_{ik})_{n \times n}$ ,  $b_{ik} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_{il}x_{lk} \neq 0$ , then  $k = j$ , so  $AX \in M_n^{(j)}(K)$ , so  $M_n^{(j)}(K)$  is invariant subspace. Since  $M_n(K) = \bigoplus_{j=1}^n M_n^{(j)}(K)$ , so  $\psi = \bigoplus_{j=1}^n \psi_j$ . Consider  $\tau : M_n^{(j)}(K) \rightarrow K^n$ ,  $(\tau(X))_k = x_{kj}$ , so  $\tau$  is a isomorphism. Obviously,  $\psi$  is a isomorphism between  $\psi_j$  and  $\phi, \forall j = 1, \dots, n$ . While  $\phi$  is irreducible, so  $\psi_j$  is irreducible.

3. As Item 2 has proved.

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**PROBLEM III** Let  $K = \mathbb{C}$  and  $n = 2$  in (Group representation second homework). (Problem 3), prove the subrepresentation of  $\phi$  over  $M_2^0(\mathbb{C})$  is irreducible.

**SOLUTION.** Since  $\forall X \in M_2(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $X$  can be diagonalized on  $\mathbb{C}$ .  $\forall X \in M_2^0(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $\exists A \in M_2(\mathbb{C})$ , s.t.  
 $\phi(A)(X) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . So  $\forall X \in E$ , where  $E$  is the invariant subspace of  $M_2^0(\mathbb{C})$ . so  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \in V$ . So  $M_2^0(\mathbb{C}) \subset E$ , so  $E = M_2^0(\mathbb{C})$ .  $\square$

**PROBLEM IV** Assume  $n \geq 3$  and  $n \nmid \text{char } K$ , proof: then  $n$ -dimensional permutation representation of  $S_n$  can be decomposed as the direct sum of a main representation and a  $n - 1$ -dimensional irreducible subrepresentation

**SOLUTION.** As we have proved in the second homework in **PROBLEM I**.  $\phi_{V_1}$  is the main representation, and  $V_2$  is  $n - 1$ -dimensional, so we only need to proof  $V_2$  is irreducible.  $\forall \{0\} \neq V \subset V_2$  is a invariant subspace,  $\forall x \in V \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 0$ , if  $a_i = k$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , so  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = nk = 0$ , while  $n \nmid \text{char } K$ ,  $k = 0$ , so  $x = 0$ . W.L.O.G. Let  $a_1 \neq a_2$ , so  $\phi((12))x = a_2 x_1 + a_1 x_2 + \sum_{k=3}^n a_k x_k \in V$ , then  $x - \phi((12))x = (a_1 - a_2)(x_1 - x_2) \in V$ , then  $x_1 - x_2 \in V$ , so  $\phi((2j))(x_1 - x_2) = x_1 - x_j \in V$ . While  $\{x_1 - x_2, \dots, x_1 - x_n\} \subset V$  and they are linear independent. Then  $\dim(V) \geq n - 1$ , so  $V = V_2$ . Thus,  $\phi|_{V_2}$  is irreducible.  $\square$

**PROBLEM V** Calculate the 1-dimensional  $\mathbb{C}$  representation:

1.  $(2, 4)$ -type of 8-order elementary Abel group.
2. the addition group of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^n$

**SOLUTION.** 1.  $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ ,  $\phi(x, y) = e^{\frac{(2x+y)\pi i}{2}}$ .

2.  $\phi(a_1, \dots, a_n) = e^{\frac{2 \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \pi i}{p}}$

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## 2 The second homework

**PROBLEM I** Group  $G$  has an action on set  $\Omega = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ , let  $(\phi, V)$  be the  $n$ -dimensional  $K$  permutation representation of  $G$ , where  $K$  is the field of vector space  $V$ , and

$$V = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i \mid a_i \in K, i = 1, 2, \dots, n \right\}.$$

Let  $V_1 = \langle \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \rangle$ ,  $V_2 = \{ \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i \mid \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 0, a_i \in K \}$ . Proof: (1)  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are invariant subspaces of  $G$ ; (2) If  $\text{char } K \nmid n$ , then  $\phi = \phi_{V_1} \oplus \phi_{V_2}$ .

PROBLEM III  $\mathcal{O}(n) := \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : AA^T = I_n\}$  is the set of all  $n$ -dimensional orthogonal matrix over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let:

$$\varphi : \mathcal{O}(n) \rightarrow \text{GL}(M_n(\mathbb{R})) \quad (1)$$

$$A \mapsto \varphi(A),$$

$$\varphi(A)X := AXA^{-1} : \quad \forall X \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \quad (2)$$

$M_n^+(\mathbb{R}) := \{A \in M_n^0(\mathbb{R}) : A = A^T\}$ ,  $M_n^-(\mathbb{R}) := \{A \in M_n^0(\mathbb{R}) : A^T = -A\}$ . (1) Proof:  $M_n^+(\mathbb{R})$  and  $M_n^-(\mathbb{R})$  are invariant spaces of  $\varphi$ ; (2) Let the subrepresentation of  $\varphi$  on  $\langle I \rangle, M_n^+(\mathbb{R}), M_n^-(\mathbb{R})$  be  $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2$ . Proof:  $\varphi = \varphi_0 + \varphi_1 + \varphi_2$ . (3) calculate a  $\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$ - dimensional  $\mathbb{R}$  representation of  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ .