

## 2.

Notes on using GAP to calculate character formulas.

2.1. Fix a finite Coxeter group  $W$  with reflection representation  $V = V_{\text{refl}}$  and a regular elliptic slope  $\nu \in \mathbf{Q}_{>0}$ . For any character  $\chi$ , we write:

- $\chi'$  for its sign twist.
- $\text{Feg}_\chi$  for the fake degree of  $\chi$ .
- $\text{Deg}_\chi$  for the generic degree of the unipotent principal series of  $\chi$ .
- $\kappa(\chi) = \frac{1}{\chi(e)} \sum_t \chi(t)$ , where  $e$  is the identity of  $W$  and the sum runs over all reflections in  $W$ . Sometimes I call this the *content* of  $\chi$ .

Note that  $N := \kappa(\chi_{\text{triv}})$  is the total number of reflections. We will study

$$\Omega := q^{N\nu} \sum_{\chi \in \text{Irr}(W)} \text{Deg}_\chi(e^{2\pi i\nu}) q^{\kappa(\chi)\nu} \chi' \cdot \chi_{\text{Sym}(V)},$$

where  $\chi_{\text{Sym}(V)} := \sum_i q^i \chi_{\text{Sym}^i(V)}$ . Explicitly,

$$\chi_{\text{Sym}(V)} = \frac{\sum_\psi \text{Feg}_\psi(q) \psi}{\prod_i (1 - q^{d_i})},$$

where the product runs over the fundamental degrees of the  $W$ -action on  $V$ .

2.2. First, for all  $\chi$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Deg}_\chi(e^{2\pi i\nu}) &= (-1)^{2N\nu} \text{Deg}_{\chi'}(e^{2\pi i\nu}), \\ \kappa(\chi) &= -\kappa(\chi'). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= (-1)^{2N\nu} q^{N\nu} \sum_{\chi \in \text{Irr}(W)} \text{Deg}_\chi(e^{2\pi i\nu}) q^{-\kappa(\chi)\nu} \chi \cdot \text{sym}(V) \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{2N\nu} q^{N\nu}}{\prod_i (1 - q^{d_i})} \sum_{\chi, \psi \in \text{Irr}(W)} \text{Deg}_\chi(e^{2\pi i\nu}) \text{Feg}_\psi(q) q^{-\kappa(\chi)\nu} \chi \cdot \psi. \end{aligned}$$

2.3. Sample GAP code for  $W = W(D_4)$  and  $\nu = \frac{1}{4}$ . Note that `qexp` also has to be tweaked when  $W$  is not of simply-laced type.

2.3.1. Input data:

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W:=CoxeterGroup("D",4); N:=12; refl:=4; m:=4; d:=1;
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2.3.2. Setup:

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q:=Indeterminate(Rationals); q.name:="q"; Wt:=CharTable(W);
irr:=Wt.irreducibles; len:=Length(irr);
fdeg:=FakeDegrees(W,q);
udeg:=UnipotentDegrees(W,q);
qexp:=List([1..len], i->(N*d/m)*(1 - irr[i][refl]/irr[i][1]));
udegval:=List([1..len], i->Value(udeg[i], E(m)));
```

2.3.3. The summation:

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coeff:=List([1..len], i->List([1..len], j->udegval[i]*fdeg[j]
    *q^Int(qexp[i])));
tens:=List([1..len], i->MatScalarProducts(Wt, irr, Tensoried(
    [irr[i]], irr)));
f:=0;
for i in [1..len] do for j in [1..len] do
    f:=f+coeff[i][j]*tens[i][j]; od; od;
```

2.3.4. Output:

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denom:=1;
for d in ReflectionDegrees(W) do denom:=denom*(1-q^d); od;
for i in [1..len] do Print(i, "\t", f[i]/denom, "\n"); od;
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2.4. Some example outputs where  $d = 1$ , meaning  $\nu = \frac{1}{m}$ . The lists of regular elliptic numbers come from Varagnolo–Vasserot.

$W$	$N$	refl	{reg. ell. nums}	$m$	$\Omega$
$D_4$	12	4	2, 4, 6	4	$(1 + q^2)\chi_{\text{triv}} + q\chi_V$
				2	$(1 + q^2 - q^4 + q^6 + q^8)\chi_{\text{triv}}$ $+ (q^2 + q^4 + q^6)\chi_{12}$ $+ (q - q^3 - q^5 + q^7)\chi_V + q^4\chi_{10}$ $+ (q^2 + q^4 + q^6)(\chi_8 + \chi_9)$ $+ (q^3 + q^5)\chi_6 - 2q^4\chi_5$
$E_6$	36	16	3, 6, 9, 12	9	$(1 + q^2)\chi_{\text{triv}} + q\chi_V$
				6	$(1 + q^2 + q^3 + q^4 + q^6)\chi_{\text{triv}}$ $+ (q + q^2 + q^3 + q^4 + q^5)\chi_V$ $+ q^3\chi_7 + (q^2 + q^4)\chi_{11} + q^3\chi_{15}$
$E_7$	63	32	2, 6, 14, 18	14	$(1 + q^2)\chi_{\text{triv}} + q\chi_V$