

Representation Theory

$$GL(V) = \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{C}}(V) \cong GL_n(\mathbb{C}) \text{ if } \dim V = n, V = \text{v.s. over } \mathbb{C}.$$

Defn: Linear representation of G in V is a gp hom $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V)$.

eg: $V = \mathbb{C}$, $\rho_g = 1 \ \forall g$. (trivial rep).

eg: $G = S_3$, $V = \mathbb{C}^3$, permute coords.

Let $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V)$ be a repn. \downarrow subspace
 $W \subseteq V$ is invariant under G if
 $\rho_g(w) \in W \ \forall g \in G$.

$\rho^W: G \rightarrow GL(W)$ is a repn of G in W
 \uparrow
 sub-representation

If $W, W' \subseteq V$ s.t. $V = W \oplus W'$,

$$\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V), \quad \rho(x) = \rho_g(w) + \rho_g(w').$$

If W, W' invariant under G then $V = W \oplus W'$ as representations.

Lemma: $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V)$ a repn, $W \subseteq V$ subspace invariant under G ,
 then $\exists W^\circ \subseteq V$ s.t. $V = W \oplus W^\circ$

Thm: Every repn is a direct sum of irreducible repns.

If use lemma & induct on $\dim V = n$.

Eg: $G = S_3$. 1) Trivial rep'n ($V = \mathbb{C}$) — irreducible

2) $V = \mathbb{C}$, alternating rep'n — irreducible

$$\rho_\sigma(v) = \text{sign}(\sigma) \cdot v \quad \text{for } v \in \mathbb{C}.$$

3) $S_3 \subset \mathbb{C}^3$ by permuting coords — NOT irreducible

$$\text{Span}(1,1,1) \cong \text{trivial rep'n} =: T$$

Complementary: $U = \{(z_1, z_2, z_3) : z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0\}$ invariant

and $S_3 \curvearrowright U$ is invariant!

$$\text{So } \mathbb{C}^3 = U \oplus T$$

and U is the "standard" rep'n.

Gröbner Bases in the Weyl Algebra with Applications to ODE.