

Local Representation Theory of Finite Groups and Cyclotomic Algebras

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- Feit–Thompson, 1963

If G is a non abelian simple finite group,
then $2 \mid |G|$.

- Cauchy (1789–1857)

If $\ell \mid |G|$, there are non trivial ℓ -subgroups
in G .

- Sylow, 1872

The maximal ℓ -subgroups of G are all
conjugate under G .

Assume $P \subset S$ and $P \subset S'$. There is $g \in G$ such that $S' = S^g$ ($= g^{-1}Sg$), hence

$$P \subset S \quad \text{and} \quad {}^gP (= gPg^{-1}) \subset S.$$

This is a *fusion*.

The Frobenius Category

$\text{Frob}_\ell(G)$:

- ▶ Objects : the ℓ -subgroups of G ,
- ▶ $\text{Hom}(P, Q) := \{g \in G \mid ({}^gP \subset Q)\} / C_G(P)$.

Note that $\text{Aut}(P) = N_G(P) / C_G(P)$.

Alperin's fusion theorem (1967) says essentially that $\text{Frob}_\ell(G)$ is known as soon as the automorphisms of some of its objects are known.

Main question of local group theory

How much is known about G from the knowledge (up to equivalence of categories) of $\text{Frob}_\ell(G)$?

Well, certainly not more than $G/O_{\ell'}(G)$!

(where $O_{\ell'}(G)$ denotes the largest normal subgroup of G of order not divisible by ℓ)

Indeed, $O_{\ell'}(G)$ disappears in the Frobenius category, since, for P an ℓ -subgroup,

$$O_{\ell'}(G) \cap N_G(P) \subseteq C_G(P).$$

But perhaps all of $G/O_{\ell'}(G)$?

Control subgroup

Let H be a subgroup of G . The following conditions are equivalent :

- (i) The inclusion $H \hookrightarrow G$ induces an equivalence of categories

$$\text{Frob}_\ell(H) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Frob}_\ell(G),$$

- (ii) H contains a Sylow ℓ -subgroup of G , and if P is a ℓ -subgroup of H and g is an element of G such that ${}^gP \subseteq H$, then there is $h \in H$ and $z \in C_G(P)$ such that $g = hz$.

If the preceding conditions are satisfied, we say that H controls ℓ -fusion in G , or that H is a control subgroup in G .

The first question may now be reformulated as follows :

If H controls ℓ -fusion in G , does the inclusion $H \hookrightarrow G$ induce an isomorphism

$$H/O_{\ell'}(H) \xrightarrow{\sim} G/O_{\ell'}(G)?$$

In other words, do we have

$$G = HO_{\ell'}(G)?$$

- Frobenius theorem, 1905

If a Sylow ℓ -subgroup S of G controls ℓ -fusion in G , then the inclusion induces an isomorphism $S \simeq G/O_{\ell'}(G)$.

- ℓ -solvable groups, ?

Assume that G is ℓ -solvable. If H controls ℓ -fusion in G , then the inclusion induces an isomorphism $H/O_{\ell'}(H) \simeq G/O_{\ell'}(G)$.

- Z_{ℓ}^* -theorem (Glauberman, 1966 for $\ell = 2$, Classification for other primes)

Assume that $H = C_G(P)$ where P is an ℓ -subgroup of G . If H controls ℓ -fusion in G , then the inclusion induces an isomorphism $H/O_{\ell'}(H) \simeq G/O_{\ell'}(G)$.

- But

Burnside (1852–1927)

Assume that a Sylow ℓ -subgroup S of G is abelian. Set $H := N_G(S)$. Then H controls ℓ -fusion in G .

Consider the **Monster**, a finite simple group of order

$$2^{46} \cdot 3^{20} \cdot 5^9 \cdot 7^6 \cdot 11^2 \cdot 13^3 \cdot 17 \cdot 19 \cdot 23 \cdot 29 \cdot 31 \cdot 41 \cdot 47 \cdot 59 \cdot 71 \simeq 8 \cdot 10^{53} .$$

(predicted in 1973 by Fischer and Griess, constructed in 1980 by Griess, proved to be unique by Thompson)

and the normalizer H of one of its Sylow 11-subgroups, a group of order 72600, isomorphic to $(C_{11} \times C_{11}) \rtimes (C_5 \times \mathrm{SL}_2(5))$ (here we denote by C_m the cyclic group of order m).

Here we have $G \neq \mathrm{HO}_{11'}(G)$ since G is simple.

Remark : one may think of more elementary examples...

Local Representation Theory

Let K be a finite extension of the field of ℓ -adic numbers \mathbb{Q}_ℓ which contains the $|G|$ -th roots of unity. Let \mathcal{O} be the ring of integers of K over \mathbb{Z}_ℓ , with maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} and residue field $k := \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{m}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & K & & \\ & & \uparrow & \swarrow & \\ & & \mathcal{O} & \longrightarrow & k = \mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{m} \\ & \swarrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{Q}_\ell & & \mathbb{Z}_\ell & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{F}_\ell = \mathbb{Z}_\ell/\ell\mathbb{Z}_\ell \\ & \swarrow & & & \uparrow \\ & & & & \mathbb{Z}_\ell \end{array}$$

Block decomposition

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{O}G & = & \bigoplus B \quad (\text{indecomposable algebra}) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ kG & = & \bigoplus kB \quad (\text{indecomposable algebra}) \end{array}$$

The augmentation map $\mathcal{O}G \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ factorizes through a unique block of $\mathcal{O}G$ called *the principal block* and denoted by $(\mathcal{O}G)_0$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{O}G & \longrightarrow & (\mathcal{O}G)_0 \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & & \mathcal{O} \end{array}$$

Factorisation and principal block

If H is a subgroup of G , the following assertions are equivalent

- (i) $G = HO_{\ell'}(G)$.
- (ii) The map Res_H^G induces an isomorphism from $(\mathcal{O}G)_0$ onto $(\mathcal{O}H)_0$.

Let us re-examine the counterexamples to factorisation coming from Burnside's theorem.

Assume that a Sylow ℓ -subgroup S of G is abelian, let $H := N_G(S)$ be its normalizer.

Even if $G \neq HO_{\ell'}(G)$, it appears that there is some connection between the (representation theory of) $(\mathcal{O}G)_0$ and $(\mathcal{O}H)_0$.

SOME NUMERICAL MIRACLES

Let us consider the case $G = \mathfrak{A}_5$ and $\ell = 2$. Then we have $H \simeq \mathfrak{A}_4$.

Remark : on a larger screen, we might as well consider the above case of the Monster and of the prime $\ell = 11$.

Table: Character table of \mathfrak{A}_5

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(5)	(5')
1	1	1	1	1	1
χ_4	4	0	1	-1	-1
χ_5	5	1	-1	0	0
χ_3	3	-1	0	$(1 + \sqrt{5})/2$	$(1 - \sqrt{5})/2$
χ'_3	3	-1	0	$(1 - \sqrt{5})/2$	$(1 + \sqrt{5})/2$

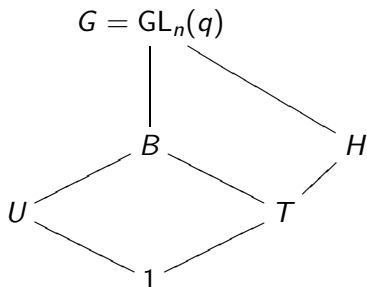
Table: Character table of $(\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5)_0$

	(1)	(2)	(5)	(5')	(3)
1	1	1	1	1	1
χ_5	5	1	0	0	-1
χ_3	3	-1	$(1 + \sqrt{5})/2$	$(1 - \sqrt{5})/2$	0
χ'_3	3	-1	$(1 - \sqrt{5})/2$	$(1 + \sqrt{5})/2$	0

Table: Character table of $(\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_4)_0$

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(3')
1	1	1	1	1
$-\alpha_3$	-3	1	0	0
$-\alpha_1$	-1	-1	$(1 + \sqrt{-3})/2$	$(1 - \sqrt{-3})/2$
$-\alpha'_1$	-1	-1	$(1 - \sqrt{-3})/2$	$(1 + \sqrt{-3})/2$

A kind of generic counterexample :



$$|T| = (q - 1)^n$$

$$H := N_G(T), H/T = \mathfrak{S}_n$$

$$|U| = q^{\binom{n}{2}}, B = U \rtimes T$$

$$\ell \mid q - 1, \ell > n \Rightarrow S = T_\ell$$

$$T = S \times T_{\ell'}, H = N_G(S)$$

We certainly have

$$G \neq HO_{\ell'}(G).$$

Definition

A Morita equivalence between A and B is the following datum :

- an object M of ${}_A\mathbf{Mod}_B$ and an object N of ${}_B\mathbf{Mod}_A$,
- two isomorphisms

$$M \otimes_B N \xrightarrow{\sim} A \quad \text{in } {}_A\mathbf{Mod}_A \quad \text{and} \quad N \otimes_A M \xrightarrow{\sim} B \quad \text{in } {}_B\mathbf{Mod}_B.$$

Given a Morita equivalence, the functors

$$M \otimes_B \cdot \quad \text{and} \quad N \otimes_A \cdot$$

are reciprocal equivalences of categories between ${}_A\mathbf{Mod}$ and ${}_B\mathbf{Mod}$.

Fundamental example

Whenever $n \geq 1$ is an integer, $\text{Mat}_n(A)$ and A are Morita equivalent.

Proof.

Consider the bimodules M and N defined as follows :

- M is the set of $n \times 1$ matrices with coefficients in A , on which $\text{Mat}_n(A)$ acts by left multiplication and A acts by (right) multiplication,
- N is the set of $1 \times n$ matrices with coefficients in A , on which $\text{Mat}_n(A)$ acts by right multiplication and A acts by (left) multiplication.

Then the multiplication of matrices defines isomorphisms

$$M \otimes_A N \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Mat}_n(A) \quad \text{and} \quad N \otimes_{\text{Mat}_n(A)} M \xrightarrow{\sim} A.$$



Morita equivalences and local representations

Assume

$$K \longleftarrow \mathcal{O} \longrightarrow k$$

and that A and B are \mathcal{O} -algebras.

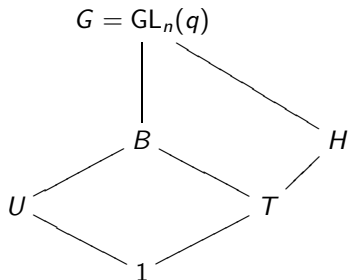
Then a Morita equivalence between A and B induces Morita equivalences

$$KA \equiv KB \quad \text{and} \quad kA \equiv kB,$$

via

$$KM \longleftarrow M \longrightarrow kM \quad \text{and} \quad KN \longleftarrow N \longrightarrow kN$$

On $GL_n(q)$ again

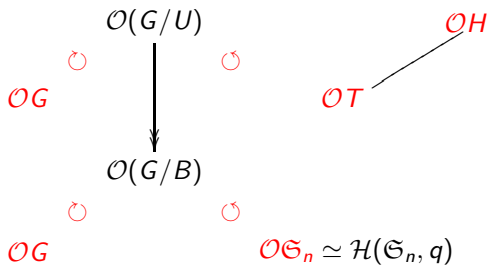
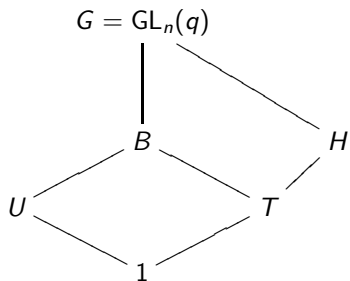


The principal block algebras of G and H respectively are Morita equivalent.

There exist M and N , respectively an $\mathcal{O}G$ -module- $\mathcal{O}H$ and an $\mathcal{O}H$ -module- $\mathcal{O}G$ with the following properties :

$$M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}H} N \simeq (\mathcal{O}G)_0 \text{ as } \mathcal{O}G\text{-module-}\mathcal{O}G$$

$$N \otimes_{\mathcal{O}G} M \simeq (\mathcal{O}H)_0 \text{ as } \mathcal{O}H\text{-module-}\mathcal{O}H$$



- Viewed as a $\mathcal{O}G$ -module- $\mathcal{O}S$, we have $M \simeq \mathcal{O}(G/U)$, i.e., the functor $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}S} ?$ is the Harish-Chandra induction.
- $M/T = \mathcal{O}(G/B)$ whose commuting algebra is the Hecke algebra $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{S}_n, q)$.

Definition

A Rickard equivalence between A and B is the following datum :

- an object M of $\mathcal{C}^b({}_A\mathbf{Mod}_B)$ and an object N of $\mathcal{C}^b({}_B\mathbf{Mod}_A)$,
- two isomorphisms

$$M \otimes_B N \xrightarrow{\sim} A \text{ in } \mathcal{C}^b({}_A\mathbf{Mod}_A) \quad \text{and} \quad N \otimes_A M \xrightarrow{\sim} B \text{ in } \mathcal{C}^b({}_B\mathbf{Mod}_B).$$

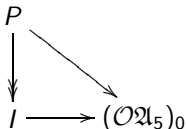
Given a Rickard equivalence, the functors

$$M \otimes_B \cdot \quad \text{and} \quad N \otimes_A \cdot$$

are reciprocal equivalences of suitable categories.

Back to the principal 2-block of \mathfrak{A}_5

- View $(\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5)_0$ as a $\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5$ -module- $\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_4$.
- Let I be the kernel of the augmentation map : $(\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5)_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$.
- Let P denote a projective cover of I and consider



- We set

$$M := 0 \rightarrow P \rightarrow (\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5)_0 \rightarrow 0$$

- ▶ a complex of $\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5$ -modules- $\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_4$,
- ▶ $(\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5)_0$ in degree 0 and C in degree -1 .
- and $N := M^*$.

Proposition

The pair of complexes (M, N) induces a Rickard equivalence between $(\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_5)_0$ and $(\mathcal{O}\mathfrak{A}_4)_0$.

Abelian Sylow Conjecture

Assume that a Sylow ℓ -subgroup S of G is abelian, let $H := N_G(S)$ be its normalizer.

- (ASC) :

The algebras $(\mathcal{O}G)_0$ and $(\mathcal{O}H)_0$ are Rickard equivalent.

- (Strong ASC) :

They are Rickard equivalent in a way which is compatible with the equivalence of Frobenius categories

Which means : There is a G -equivariant collection of derived equivalences

$$\{ \mathcal{E}(P) : \mathcal{D}^b((\mathcal{O}C_G(P))_0) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}^b((\mathcal{O}C_H(P))_0) \}_{P \subseteq S}$$

compatible with Brauer morphisms.

Known to be true :

Sylow cyclic (Rickard), G ℓ -solvable, $G = \mathfrak{S}_n$ (Chuang–Rouquier),
 $G = \mathrm{SL}_2(\ell^n)$ (Okuyama), a bunch of sporadic simple groups (the
Japanese school),...

What about the nonabelian Sylow case ?

The fact that the derived category of $(\mathcal{O}G)_0$ is determined by
 $\mathrm{Frob}_\ell(G)$ is definitely false :

There are groups G and a subgroup H such that

- ▶ the inclusion $H \subset G$ induces an equivalence $\mathrm{Frob}_\ell(H) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{Frob}_\ell(G)$,
- ▶ and yet $\mathcal{D}^b((\mathcal{O}H)_0)$ and $\mathcal{D}^b((\mathcal{O}G)_0)$ are not equivalent.

But there seem to be lots of numerical similarities between $(\mathcal{O}H)_0$
and $(\mathcal{O}G)_0$.

Case of finite reductive groups

\mathbf{G} is a connected reductive algebraic group over $\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q$, with Weyl group W , endowed with a Frobenius-like endomorphism F . The group $G := \mathbf{G}^F$ is a **finite reductive group**.

Example

$$\mathbf{G} = \mathrm{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_q), \quad F : (a_{ij}) \mapsto (a_{ij}^q), \quad G = \mathrm{GL}_n(q)$$

- **Polynomial order** — There is a polynomial in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$

$$|\mathbb{G}|(x) = x^N \prod_d \Phi_d(x)^{a(d)}$$

such that $|\mathbb{G}|(q) = |G|$.

Example

$$|\mathrm{GL}_n|(x) = x^{\binom{n}{2}} \prod_{d=1}^{d=n} (x^d - 1) = x^{\binom{n}{2}} \prod_{d=1}^{d=n} \Phi_d(x)^{[n/d]}$$

- **Admissible subgroups** — **The tori** of G are the subgroups of the shape \mathbf{T}^F where \mathbf{T} is an F -stable torus (i.e., isomorphic to some $\overline{\mathbb{F}}^\times \times \cdots \times \overline{\mathbb{F}}^\times$ in \mathbf{G}).

The Levi subgroups of G are the subgroups of the shape \mathbf{L}^F where \mathbf{L} is a centralizer of an F -stable torus in \mathbf{G} .

Examples

The split maximal torus $T_1 = (\mathbb{F}_q^\times)^n$ of order $(q-1)^n$

The Coxeter maximal torus $T_c = \mathrm{GL}_1(\mathbb{F}_{q^n})$ of order $q^n - 1$

Levi subgroups have shape $\mathrm{GL}_{n_1}(q^{a_1}) \times \cdots \times \mathrm{GL}_{n_s}(q^{a_s})$

- **Cauchy theorem** — The (polynomial) order of an admissible subgroup divides the (polynomial) order of the group.

The generic Sylow theorems

For $\Phi_d(x)$ a cyclotomic polynomial, a $\Phi_d(x)$ -group is a finite reductive group whose (polynomial) order is a power of $\Phi_d(x)$. Hence such a group is a torus.

Sylow theorems

- 1 Maximal $\Phi_d(x)$ -subgroups (“Sylow $\Phi_d(x)$ -subgroups”) of G have as (polynomial) order the contribution of $\Phi_d(x)$ to the (polynomial) order of G :

$$|S_d| = |\mathbf{S}_d^F| = \Phi_d(q)^{a(d)}.$$

Notation : Set $\mathbf{L}_d := C_G(\mathbf{S}_d)$ and $\mathbf{N}_d := N_G(\mathbf{S}_d) = N_G(\mathbf{L}_d)$

- 2 Sylow $\Phi_d(x)$ -subgroups are all conjugate by G .
- 3 The (polynomial) index $|G : N_d|$ is congruent to 1 modulo $\Phi_d(x)$.
- 4 $W_d := N_d/L_d$ is a true finite group, a complex reflection group in its action on $\mathbb{C} \otimes Y(\mathbf{S}_d)$. = This is the d -cyclotomic Weyl group of the finite reductive group G .

Example

Recall that

$$|\mathrm{GL}_n(q)| = q^{\binom{n}{2}} \prod_{d=1}^{d=n} \Phi_d(q)^{[n/d]}$$

For each d ($1 \leq d \leq n$), $\mathrm{GL}_n(q)$ contains a subtorus of (polynomial) order $\Phi_d(x)^{[n/d]}$

Assume $n = md + r$ with $r < d$. Then

$$L_d = \mathrm{GL}_1(q^d)^m \times \mathrm{GL}_r(q)$$

$$W_d = \mu_d \wr \mathfrak{S}_m$$

Generic and ordinary Sylow subgroups

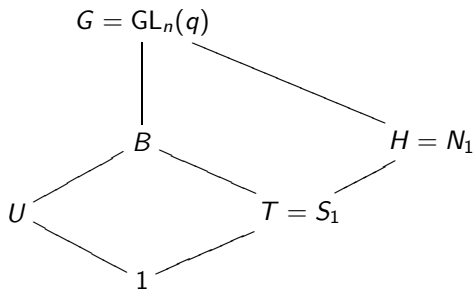
Let ℓ be a prime number which does not divide $|W|$.

- If ℓ divides $|G|$, there is a unique integer d such that ℓ divides $\Phi_d(q)$.
- Then the Sylow ℓ -subgroups of G are nothing but the Sylow ℓ -subgroups S_ℓ of $S_d = \mathbf{S}_d^F$ (\mathbf{S}_d a Sylow $\Phi_d(x)$ -subgroup of \mathbf{G}).
- We have

$$N_G(S_\ell) = N_d \text{ and } C_G(S_\ell) = L_d.$$

hence

$$N_G(S_\ell)/C_G(S_\ell) = W_d.$$

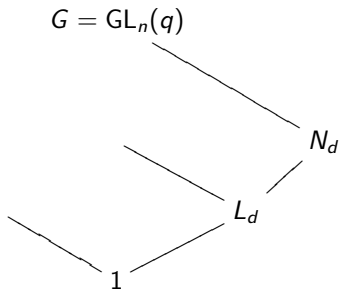


$$|S_1| = (q - 1)^n$$

$$W_1 = \mathfrak{S}_n$$

$$\ell \mid q - 1, \ell > n \Rightarrow S = T_\ell$$

$$T = S \times T_{\ell'}, H = N_G(S)$$



$$|S_d| = \Phi_d(q)^{a(d)}$$

$$L_d/C_d = W_d$$

$$\ell \mid \Phi_d(q), \ell > n \Rightarrow S = (S_d)_\ell$$

$$S_d = (S_d)_\ell \times (S_d)_{\ell'}$$

Complex reflection groups

A **finite reflection group** (abbreviated frg) on K is a finite subgroup of $GL_K(V)$ (V a finite dimensional K -vector space) generated by *reflections*, i.e., linear maps represented by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \zeta & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- A finite reflection group on \mathbb{R} is called a Coxeter group.
- A finite reflection group on \mathbb{Q} is called a Weyl group.

Main characterisation

Theorem (Shephard–Todd, Chevalley–Serre)

Let G be a finite subgroup of $GL(V)$ (V an r -dimensional vector space over a characteristic zero field K). Let S denote the symmetric algebra of V , isomorphic to the polynomial ring $K[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r]$.

The following assertions are equivalent.

- 1 G is generated by reflections.
- 2 The ring $R := S^G$ of G -fixed polynomials is a polynomial ring $K[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r]$ in r homogeneous algebraically independent elements.
- 3 S is a free R -module.

Then

- If $d_i := \deg(u_i)$, the family (d_1, \dots, d_r) is called the family of invariant degrees of G ,
- and we have

$$|G| = d_1 d_2 \cdots d_r.$$

Examples

- For $G = \mathfrak{S}_r$, which acts naturally on $V = \mathbb{C}^r = \bigoplus \mathbb{C}v_i$, one may choose

$$\begin{cases} u_1 = v_1 + \cdots + v_r \\ u_2 = v_1 v_2 + v_1 v_3 + \cdots + v_{r-1} v_r \\ \vdots \\ u_r = v_1 v_2 \cdots v_r \end{cases}$$

- For $G = \langle e^{2\pi i/d} \rangle$, cyclic group of order d acting by multiplication on $V = \mathbb{C}$, we have

$$S = K[x] \quad \text{and} \quad R = K[x^d].$$

- Consider again the action of \mathfrak{S}_r on $V = \mathbb{C}^r = \bigoplus \mathbb{C}v_i$. Fix $d \geq 2$. For each coordinate consider the reflection $v_i \mapsto \zeta_d v_i$. We obtain the wreath product $C_d \wr \mathfrak{S}_r$, generated by reflections.

This group is called $G(d, 1, r)$.

For each divisor e of d , there is a normal reflection subgroup $G(d, e, r)$ of $G(d, 1, r)$ of index e .

- Let $G \leq \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})$ be finite and $g \in G$. Let ζ be an eigenvalue of g . Then $\zeta^{-1}g$ is a reflection.

- ▶ So, if $G = \langle g_1, \dots, g_r \rangle$, the group $\langle \zeta_1^{-1}g_1, \dots, \zeta_r^{-1}g_r \rangle$ is an frg.
- ▶ Note that for G irreducible, we have $G/Z(G) \in \{D_n, \mathfrak{A}_4, \mathfrak{S}_4, \mathfrak{A}_5\}$.
- ▶ For example, the group

$$G := \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \zeta_3 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{\sqrt{-3}}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -\zeta_3 & \zeta_3^2 \\ 2\zeta_3^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle \leq \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_3)),$$

with $\zeta_3 := \exp(2\pi i/3)$, is a frg of order 72, denoted G_5 , isomorphic to $\mathrm{SL}_2(3) \times C_3$.

- ▶ We may choose

$$u_1 := v_1^6 + 20v_1^3v_2^3 - 8v_2^6, \quad u_2 := 3v_1^3v_2^9 + 3v_1^6v_2^6 + v_1^9v_2^3 + v_2^{12},$$

with degrees $d_1 = 6, d_2 = 12$ (note that $d_1d_2 = 72 = |G|$).

- If $g \in \mathrm{SL}_3(\mathbb{C})$ is an involution, then $-g$ is a reflection. Note that $\mathfrak{A}_5, \mathrm{PSL}_2(7)$ and $3.\mathfrak{A}_6$ have faithful 3-dimensional representations and are generated by involutions.

Classification

- 1 The finite reflection groups on \mathbb{C} have been classified by Coxeter, Shephard and Todd.
 - ▶ There is one infinite series $G(d, e, r)$ (d, e and r integers),
 - ▶ ...and 34 exceptional groups G_4, G_5, \dots, G_{37} .
- 2 The group $G(d, e, r)$ (d, e and r integers) consists of all $r \times r$ monomial matrices with entries in μ_{de} such that the product of entries belongs to μ_d .
- 3 We have

$$G(d, 1, r) \simeq C_d \wr \mathfrak{S}_r$$

$$G(e, e, 2) = D_{2e} \quad (\text{dihedral group of order } 2e)$$

$$G(2, 2, r) = W(D_r)$$

$$G_{23} = H_3, \quad G_{28} = F_4, \quad G_{30} = H_4$$

$$G_{35,36,37} = E_{6,7,8}.$$

Braid groups

Let \mathcal{A} be the arrangement of reflecting hyperplanes for the crg G .
Set

$$V^{\text{reg}} := V - \bigcup_{H \in \mathcal{A}} H.$$

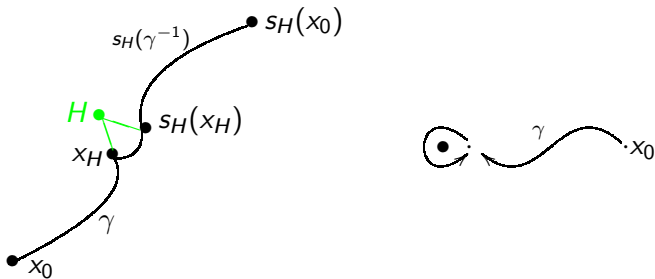
The covering $V^{\text{reg}} \twoheadrightarrow V^{\text{reg}}/G$ is Galois, hence induces a short exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & \longrightarrow & \Pi_1(V^{\text{reg}}, x_0) & \longrightarrow & \Pi_1(V^{\text{reg}}/G, x_0) & \longrightarrow & G \longrightarrow 1 \\ & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \\ & & P_G & & B_G & & \\ & & \text{(Pure braid group)} & & \text{(Braid group)} & & \end{array}$$

Braid reflections

Let γ be a path in V^{reg} from x_0 to x_H .

We define : $\sigma_{H,\gamma} := s_H(\gamma^{-1}) \cdot s_{H,x_H} \cdot \gamma$



Definition

We call *braid reflections* the elements $s_{H,\gamma} \in B$ defined by the paths $\sigma_{H,\gamma}$.

The following properties are immediate.

- $\mathbf{s}_{H,\gamma}$ and $\mathbf{s}_{H,\gamma'}$ are conjugate in P .
- $\mathbf{s}_{H,\gamma}^{eH}$ is a loop in V^{reg} :



The variety V (resp. V/G) is connected, the hyperplanes are irreducible divisors (irreducible closed subvarieties of codimension one), and the braid reflections are “generators of the monodromy” around the irreducible divisors. Then

Theorem

- 1 The braid group B_G is generated by the braid reflections $(\mathbf{s}_{H,\gamma})$ (for all H and all γ).
- 2 The pure braid group P_G is generated by the elements $(\mathbf{s}_{H,\gamma}^{eH})$

Artin-like presentations

An *Artin-like* presentation is

$$\langle \mathbf{s} \in \mathbf{S} \mid \{\mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{w}_i\}_{i \in I} \rangle$$

where

- \mathbf{S} is a finite set of distinguished braid reflections,
- I is a finite set of relations which are multi-homogeneous, *i.e.*, such that (for each i) \mathbf{v}_i and \mathbf{w}_i are positive words in elements of \mathbf{S}

Theorem (Bessis)

Let $G \subset GL(V)$ be a complex reflection group. Let $d_1 \leq d_2 \leq \dots \leq d_r$ be the family of its invariant degrees.

- 1 The following integers are equal (denoted by Γ_G):
 - ▶ The minimal number of reflections needed to generate G
 - ▶ The minimal number of braid reflections needed to generate B_G
 - ▶ $\lceil (N_r + N_h)/d_r \rceil$ ($N_r :=$ number of reflections, $N_h :=$ number of hyperplanes)
- 2 Either $\Gamma_G = r$ or $\Gamma_G = r + 1$, and the group B_G has an Artin-like presentation by Γ_G braid reflections


For each irreducible complex irreducible group G ,
 there is a diagram \mathcal{D} ,
 whose set of nodes $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{D})$ is identified with a set of distinguished
 reflections in G ,
 such that

Theorem

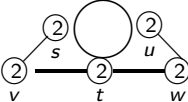
For each $s \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{D})$, there exists a braid reflection $\mathbf{s} \in B_G$ above s such
 that the set $\{\mathbf{s}\}_{s \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{D})}$, together with the braid relations of \mathcal{D}_{br} , is a
 presentation of B_G .

- The groups G_n for $n = 4, 5, 8, 16, 20$, as well as the dihedral groups,
 have diagrams of type $\begin{array}{c} \textcircled{d} \text{---}^e \textcircled{d} \\ s \qquad \qquad t \end{array}$, corresponding to the
 presentation

$$s^d = t^d = 1 \text{ and } \underbrace{ststs \cdots}_{e \text{ factors}} = \underbrace{tstst \cdots}_{e \text{ factors}}$$

- The group G_{18} has diagram  corresponding to the presentation

$$s^5 = t^3 = 1 \text{ and } stst = tsts .$$

- The group G_{31} has diagram  corresponding to the presentation

$$s^2 = t^2 = u^2 = v^2 = w^2 = 1 ,$$

$$uv = vu , sw = ws , vw = wv , \quad sut = uts = tsu ,$$

$$svs = vsv , tvt = vtv , twt = wtw , wuw = uwu .$$

Back to finite reductive groups : the Sylow ℓ -subgroups and their normalizers

- ℓ a prime number, prime to q , $\ell \mid |G|$, $\ell \nmid |W|$
 \implies There exists **one** d ($a(d) > 0$) such that $\ell \mid \Phi_d(q)$, and the Sylow ℓ -subgroup S_ℓ of S_d is a Sylow of G .
- $L_d = C_G(S_\ell)$ and $N_d = N_\ell = N_G(S_\ell)$:

$$\begin{array}{c} N_\ell \\ | \\ \} W_d \\ L_d \\ | \\ 1 \end{array}$$

Since the “local” block is

$$(\mathbb{Z}_\ell N_\ell)_0 \simeq \mathbb{Z}_\ell[S_\ell \rtimes W_d]$$

our conjecture reduces to

Conjecture

$$\mathcal{D}^b((\mathbb{Z}_\ell G)_0) \simeq \mathcal{D}^b(\mathbb{Z}_\ell[S_\ell \rtimes W_d])$$

Role of Deligne–Lusztig varieties

- Let \mathbf{P} be a parabolic subgroup with Levi subgroup \mathbf{L}_d , and with unipotent radical \mathbf{U} .

Note that \mathbf{P} is never rational if $d \neq 1$.

- The Deligne–Lusztig variety is

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{P}} := {}_G \circ \{g\mathbf{U} \in \mathbf{G}/\mathbf{U} \mid g\mathbf{U} \cap F(g\mathbf{U}) \neq \emptyset\} \circ L_d$$

hence defines an object

$$\mathrm{R}\Gamma_c(\mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{P}}, \mathbb{Z}_{\ell}) \in \mathcal{D}^b(\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}G \bmod \mathbb{Z}_{\ell}L_d) \quad \text{hence} \quad \mathrm{R}\Gamma_c(\mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{P}}, \mathbb{Z}_{\ell})_0 \in \mathcal{D}^b(\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}G \bmod \mathbb{Z}_{\ell}S_{\ell})$$

Conjecture

There is a choice of \mathbf{U} such that

- $\mathrm{R}\Gamma_c(\mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{P}}, \mathbb{Z}_{\ell})_0$ is a Rickard complex between $(\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}G)_0$ and its commuting algebra $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{U})$.
- $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{U}) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}_{\ell}N_{\ell})_0$

The case where $d = 1$

If $d = 1$,

- $\mathbf{S}_d = \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{L}_d$ and $W_d = W$
- $\mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{B}} = G/U$ and $R\Gamma_c(\mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{P}}, \mathbb{Z}_\ell) = \mathbb{Z}_\ell(G/U)$
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$$\mathbb{Z}_\ell G \circ \mathbb{Z}_\ell(G/U) \circ \mathcal{C}(U)$$

- If $\mathcal{H}(W, q)$ denotes the usual Hecke algebra of the Weyl group W (an algebra over $\mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]$), we have
 - 1 $\mathcal{C}(U) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_\ell T \cdot \mathbb{Z}_\ell \mathcal{H}(W, q)$
 - 2 $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathcal{H}(W, q) \simeq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell W$

d -cyclotomic Hecke algebras

- A d -cyclotomic Hecke algebra for W_d is in particular
 - ▶ an image of the group algebra of the braid group B_{W_d} ,
 - ▶ a deformation in one parameter q of the group algebra of W_d ,
 - ▶ which specializes to that group algebra when q becomes $e^{2\pi i/d}$
- Examples :
 - ▶ The ordinary Hecke algebra $\mathcal{H}(W)$ is 1-cyclotomic,
 - ▶ Case where $G = \mathrm{GL}_6$, $d = 3$:

$$W_3 = B_2(3) = \mu_3 \wr \mathfrak{S}_2 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \textcircled{3} \\ s \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \textcircled{2} \\ t \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{H}(W_3) = \left\langle S, T ; \left\{ \begin{array}{l} STST = TSTS \\ (S-1)(S-q)(S-q^2) = 0 \\ (T-q^3)(T+1) = 0 \end{array} \right. \right\rangle$$

- ▶ For $G = O_8(q)$, $W = D_4$, $d = 4$,

$$W_4 = G(4, 2, 2) \longleftrightarrow s \textcircled{2} \textcircled{2} t \textcircled{2} u \textcircled{2}$$

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The unipotent part

- Extend the scalars to $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell =: K \Rightarrow$ Get into a semisimple situation
 - ▶ $R\Gamma_c(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U}), \mathbb{Z}_\ell)$ becomes

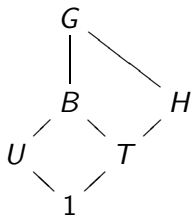
$$H_c^\bullet(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U}), K) := \bigoplus_i H_c^i(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U}), K)$$

- Replace $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U})$ by $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U})^{\text{un}} := \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U})/L_d \Rightarrow$
Only unipotent characters of G are involved

Semisimplified unipotent

- 1 The different $H_c^i(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U})^{\text{un}}, K)$ are disjoint as KG -modules,
- 2 $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{U}) := \text{End}_{KG} H_c^\bullet(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U})^{\text{un}}, K) \simeq KW_d$

Again the particular case $d = 1 \dots$



and

$$\mathcal{V}^{\text{un}}(\mathbf{U}) = G/B,$$

so

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{U}) = K\mathcal{H}(W, q), \quad \text{hence } \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{U}) \simeq KW.$$

... suggests what happens in general :

Conjecture

The commuting algebra $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{U}) := \text{End}_{KG} H_c^\bullet(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U})^{\text{un}}, K)$ is a kind of “Hecke algebra” for the reflection group W_d .

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Case where d is regular

- \mathbf{L}_d is a torus $\iff d$ is a regular number for W
- The set of tori \mathbf{L}_d is a **single orbit of rational maximal tori under G** , hence corresponds to a **conjugacy class of W** .
- For w in that class, we have $W_d \simeq C_W(w)$.
- The choice of \mathbf{U} corresponds to the choice of **an element w** in that class.
- We then have

$$\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U}_w)^{\text{un}} = \mathbf{X}_w := \{\mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{B} \mid \mathbf{B} \xrightarrow{w} F(\mathbf{B})\}$$

- ▶ \mathcal{B} is the variety of all Borel subgroups of \mathbf{G}
- ▶ The orbits of \mathbf{G} on $\mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}$ are canonically in bijection with W and we write $\mathbf{B} \xrightarrow{w} \mathbf{B}'$ if the orbit of $(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}')$ corresponds to w .

Relevance of the braid groups

Notation

- $V := \mathbb{C} \otimes Y(\mathbf{T})$ acted on by W ,
 $\mathcal{A} :=$ set of reflecting hyperplanes of W
- $V^{\text{reg}} := V - \bigcup_{H \in \mathcal{A}} H$
- $B_W := \Pi_1(V^{\text{reg}}/W, x_0)$
- If

$$W = \langle S \mid \underbrace{ststs \dots}_{m_{s,t} \text{ factors}} = \underbrace{tstst \dots}_{m_{s,t} \text{ factors}}, s^2 = t^2 = 1 \rangle$$

then


$$B_W = \langle \mathbf{S} \mid \underbrace{ststs \dots}_{m_{s,t} \text{ factors}} = \underbrace{tstst \dots}_{m_{s,t} \text{ factors}} \rangle$$

- $\pi := t \mapsto e^{2i\pi t} x_0 \implies \pi \in ZB_W$

$$\pi = \mathbf{w}_0^2 = \mathbf{c}^h$$

(\mathbf{c} Coxeter element, h Coxeter number).

A theorem of Deligne

- $\mathcal{O}(w) := \{(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}') \mid \mathbf{B} \xrightarrow{w} \mathbf{B}'\}$

- If $l(ww') = l(w) + l(w')$, then $\mathcal{O}(ww') = \mathcal{O}(w) \times_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{O}(w')$

Theorem (Deligne)

Whenever $b \in B_W^+$ there is a well defined scheme $\mathcal{O}(b)$ over $\mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}$ such that $\mathcal{O}(w) = \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{w})$ and

$$\mathcal{O}(bb') = \mathcal{O}(b) \times_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{O}(b')$$

We set $\mathbf{X}_b := \mathcal{O}(b) \cap \text{Graph}(F)$, thus

For $b = \mathbf{w}_1 \mathbf{w}_2 \cdots \mathbf{w}_n$ we have

$$\mathbf{X}_b^{(F)} = \{(\mathbf{B}_0, \mathbf{B}_1, \dots, \mathbf{B}_n) \mid \mathbf{B}_0 \xrightarrow{w_1} \mathbf{B}_1 \xrightarrow{w_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{w_n} \mathbf{B}_n \text{ and } \mathbf{B}_n = F(\mathbf{B}_0)\}$$

The variety \mathbf{X}_π

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X}_\pi &= \{ (\mathbf{B}_0, \mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}_2) \mid \mathbf{B}_0 \xrightarrow{w_0} \mathbf{B}_1 \xrightarrow{w_0} \mathbf{B}_2 \text{ and } \mathbf{B}_2 = F(\mathbf{B}_0) \} \\ &= \{ (\mathbf{B}_0, \mathbf{B}_1, \dots, \mathbf{B}_h) \mid \mathbf{B}_0 \xrightarrow{c} \mathbf{B}_1 \xrightarrow{c} \dots \xrightarrow{c} \mathbf{B}_h \text{ and } \mathbf{B}_h = F(\mathbf{B}_0) \}\end{aligned}$$

The (opposite) monoid B_W^+ acts on \mathbf{X}_π : For $\mathbf{w} \in B_W^{\text{red}}$, we have

$$\pi = \mathbf{w}b = b\mathbf{w} \quad \text{where } b = \mathbf{w}_1 \cdots \mathbf{w}_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}D_{\mathbf{w}} : (\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}_0, \dots, \mathbf{B}_n = F(\mathbf{B})) &\mapsto (\mathbf{B}_0, \dots, \mathbf{B}_n = F(\mathbf{B}), F(\mathbf{B}_0)) \\ &(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}_0, \dots, \mathbf{B}_n = F(\mathbf{B}), F(\mathbf{B}_0))\end{aligned}$$

Hence B_W acts on $H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_\pi)$

- **Proposition** : The action of B_W on $H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_\pi)$ factorizes through the (ordinary) Hecke algebra $\mathcal{H}(W)$.
- **Conjecture** :

$$\text{End}_{KG} H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_\pi) = \mathcal{H}(W)$$

Relevance of roots of π

Proposition

d regular for $W \iff$ there exists $\mathbf{w} \in B_W^+$ such that $\mathbf{w}^d = \pi$.

Application

1 $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(F)}$ embeds into $\mathbf{X}_{\pi}^{(F^d)}$:

$$\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(F)} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{X}_{\pi}^{(F^d)}$$

$$\mathbf{B} \mapsto (\mathbf{B}, F(\mathbf{B}), \dots, F^d(\mathbf{B}))$$

2 Its image is

$$\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}_{\pi}^{(F^d)} \mid D_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}) = F(\mathbf{x})\}$$

3 $C_{B_W^+}(\mathbf{w})$ acts on $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(F)}$.

Belief

A good choice for \mathbf{U}_w is : \mathbf{w} a d -th root of π .

Theorem (David Bessis)

There is a natural isomorphism

$$B_{C_W(w)} \xrightarrow{\sim} C_{B_W(\mathbf{w})}$$

From which follow :

Theorem

The braid group $B_{C_W(w)}$ of the complex reflections group $C_W(w)$ acts on $H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_w)$.

Conjecture

The braid group $B_{C_W(w)}$ acts on $H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_w)$ through a d -cyclotomic Hecke algebra $\mathcal{H}_W(w)$.

Let us summarize

- 1 $\ell \rightsquigarrow d$, d regular, i.e., $L_d = T_w$, $\mathbf{w}^d = \pi$, $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U}_w)/L_d = \mathbf{X}_w$
- 2 $\text{End}_{KG} H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_w) \simeq \mathcal{H}_W(w)$
- 3 $\mathbb{Z}_\ell \mathcal{H}_W(w) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}_\ell C_W(w)$
- 4 $\text{End}_{\mathbb{Z}_\ell G} \text{R}\Gamma_c(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{U}_w), \mathbb{Z}_\ell) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_\ell(T_w)_\ell \cdot \text{End}_{\mathbb{Z}_\ell G} \text{R}\Gamma_c(\mathbf{X}_w, \mathbb{Z}_\ell) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}_\ell N_\ell)_0$

What is really proven today

- Everything
 - ▶ if $d = 1$ (Puig),
 - ▶ for $G = \mathrm{GL}_2(q)$ (Rouquier), $\mathrm{SL}_2(q)$ (cf. a book by Bonnafé to appear)
 - ▶ for $G = \mathrm{GL}_n(q)$ and $d = n$ (Bonnafé–Rouquier)
- About : $\mathrm{End}_{KG} H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_w) \simeq \mathcal{H}_W(w)$?
 - ▶ All $\mathcal{H}_W(w)$ are known, all cases (Malle)
 - ▶ Assertion $\mathrm{End}_{KG} H_c^\bullet(\mathbf{X}_w) \simeq \mathcal{H}_W(w)$ known for
 - ★ $d = h$ (Lusztig),
 - ★ $d = 2$ (Lusztig, Digne–Michel),
 - ★ small rank GL,
 - ★ $d = 4$ for $D_4(q)$ (Digne–Michel).