

MATH 550

Note Title

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More of Patrick's talk

Thm 12 Let \mathcal{A} be a collection of Mackey functors such that

1) $R \in \mathcal{A}$ for all $H \leq G$ and all G/H -modules V

2) If $0 \rightarrow N' \rightarrow N \rightarrow N'' \rightarrow 0$ is a SES where two are in \mathcal{A} , the third is also

Then \mathcal{A} is the collection of all Mackey functors

Proof: Partition the subgroups of G as follows

$$S_0 = \{e\}$$

$S_j =$ subgroups not in S_{j-1} , where each proper subgroup is in S_i for $i < j$.

Since G is finite, $S_n = \{G\}$ for some n .

Order and list the subgroups as follows

$$S_0 = \{e\}$$

$$S_1 = \{H_{1,1}, H_{1,2}, \dots, H_{1,m_1}\}$$

$$S_j = \{H_{j,1}, H_{j,2}, \dots, H_{j,m_j}\}$$

$$S_m = \{H_{m,1}\} = \{G\}$$

Def A Mackey functor \underline{M} is of type (j, k) if $M(G/H_{j,k}) \neq 0$ but $M(G/H_{j',k'}) = 0$ for all $j' < j$ and $j' = j, k' < k$.

Proceed by downward induction.

Note if $M(G/H)$ for all proper H , then

$$\underline{M} = R M(G/G)$$

Assume \underline{M} is of type (j, k) and all

\underline{M} of greater type, and in A .
(meaning type (j', k') with $j' > j$ or $j' = j$ and $k' > k$)

There is a map $\eta: \underline{M} \rightarrow RM(G/H_{j,k})$

Consider the SES

$$1) \quad 0 \rightarrow \ker \eta \rightarrow \underline{M} \rightarrow \text{im } \eta \rightarrow 0$$

$$2) \quad 0 \rightarrow \text{im } \eta \rightarrow \underline{RM}(G/H_{j,k}) \rightarrow \text{coker } \eta \rightarrow 0$$

If $\text{coker } \eta \in A$, then $\text{im } \eta \in A$

If $\text{im } \eta, \ker \eta \in A$ then $\underline{M} \in A$.

It suffices to show $\ker \eta, \text{coker } \eta \in A$.

By construction both $\ker \eta$ and $\text{coker } \eta$ vanish on $G/H_{j,k}$ and are in A by induction. QED

Properties of G -spectra

See MHR Appendix A for details of the definitions.

Examples Let V be a representation of G . Define a G -spectrum

$$E = \Sigma^{\infty} S^V \quad (\text{on } S^V \text{ by abuse of notation})$$

$$\text{by } E_W = S^{V+W} \text{ for all } W.$$

Define $E = S^{-V}$ by

$$E_W = S^{W-V} \text{ for all } W \supset V$$

where $W-V =$ orthogonal complement of V in W .

NOTE: To get a G -spectrum E ,

it suffices to define E_W for a cofinal collection of W 's

e.g. for all W 's containing V .
 Can define $S^{W-V} = S^W \wedge S^{-V}$
 as previously define.

We get a sphere spectrum for
 each virtual rep. $W-V$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \underline{\Pi}_{W-V} X &= [S^{W-V}, X]_{G_1} \\ &= [S^0, S^{V-W} \wedge X]_{G_1} \\ &= \underline{\Pi}_0(S^{V-W} \wedge X) \end{aligned}$$

We get homotopy groups graded

by $RO(G)$, the orthogonal

rep ring of G .

Collectively these groups are denoted

$$\text{by } \underline{\Pi}_* X \quad \text{with } \pi_i \text{ stars}$$

$\underline{\Pi}_* X = \mathbb{Z}$ -graded homotopy groups of X .

Quick course in $RO(G)$: [G finite]

Let $R(G) =$ complex rep ring of G

reference: Serre's book
Linear reps of finite gps.

Let V be a complex rep of G
(finite dimensional). Choose a
basis for V , so we have a hom

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\rho} & GL_n(\mathbb{C}) \\ & \searrow & \uparrow \\ & & U(n) \end{array}$$

For each $\gamma \in G$ consider $\text{Tr}_n(\rho(\gamma))$
 $=$ trace $=$ sum of diagonal entries.

3 remarks:

1) Trace is independent of basis choice

2) If γ and γ' are conjugate, then they have the same trace

3) We have a map
 $R(G) \longrightarrow$ ring $Cl(G)$ of
complex valued fns on
the set of conjugacy
classes in G .

It is a ring hom and

$$R(G) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C} = Cl(G)$$

Cor The rank of $R(G)$ as a free abelian gp is the # of conjugacy classes. The # of irreducible \mathbb{C} reps is the # of conjugacy

classes K .

Character tables.

k rows + columns
column for each conj class
row for each irred rep.

$G = C_4$ with generator γ

		1	γ	γ^2	γ^3
$\gamma \mapsto [1]$	1	1	1	1	1
$\gamma \mapsto [-1]$	λ	1	i	-1	$-i$
$\gamma \mapsto [i]$	λ^2	1	-1	1	-1
$\gamma \mapsto [-i]$	λ^3	1	$-i$	-1	i