

Exercises for Algebra II

List 11

To hand in at 12.11.2018 in the exercise class

Exercise 1.

Consider the natural action of S_4 on $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and define H as the stabilizer of 4. Show that $H \simeq S_3$. Determine the decompositions of $\text{Ind}_H^{S_4} V$ into irreducible representations for every irreducible representation V of H .

Exercise 2.

Let $G = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ for some prime power q and $H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ be the subgroup of upper triangular matrices. Let $\omega : k^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ be a group homomorphism. Show that $\rho : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ with $\rho\left(\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}\right) = \omega(a)$ defines a 1-dimensional complex representation V of H . Show that $\text{Ind}_H^G V$ is irreducible if and only if $\omega^2 \neq 1$.

Exercise 3.

Let K be a field, G a finite group and H a subgroup of G . Fix a set of representatives h_1, \dots, h_r for G/H . For a representation V of H over K define an action of G on $K^{G/H} \otimes_K V$ by the rule $g.(h_i \otimes v) = (gh_i h^{-1}) \otimes (h.v)$ where h is the unique element in H such that $gh_i h^{-1} \in \{h_1, \dots, h_r\}$. Show that $K^{G/H} \otimes_K V$ is a well-defined representation of G and that it is naturally isomorphic to $\text{Ind}_H^G V$.

Exercise 4.

Let $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_3) \mid a, b, d \in \mathbb{F}_3 \right\}$ be the subgroup of upper triangular matrices.

1. Determine all conjugacy classes of G .
2. Show that $N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid b \in \mathbb{F}_3 \right\}$ is a normal subgroup of G and that $G^{\text{ab}} = G/N$.
3. Determine all one dimensional characters of G .
4. Let X be the conjugacy class of $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Show that G acts by conjugation on X , which defines a permutation representation \mathbb{C}^X . Show that \mathbb{C}^X is irreducible.
5. Complete the character table of G .

***Exercise 5** (Bonus exercise).

Let G be a finite group and H a subgroup of G . Let K be a field. For a representation V of H , define

$$\text{Coind } V = \text{Coind}_H^G V = \text{Hom}_H(\text{Res}_H^G K^G, V) \simeq ((K^G)^* \otimes_K V)^H$$

where K^G is the regular representation of G .

1. Show that $\text{Coind } V$ is a representation of G with respect to its natural structure as a K -vector space and with the action defined by $g \cdot \alpha(h) = \alpha(gh)$ where $\alpha : \text{Res } K^G, V$ is an H -equivariant homomorphism.
2. Given an H -equivariant homomorphism $f : V \rightarrow V'$ of representations of H , show that $\alpha \mapsto f \circ \alpha$ defines a G -equivariant homomorphism $\text{Coind } V \rightarrow \text{Coind } V'$ of representations of G . Conclude that this defines a functor $\text{Coind}_H^G : \text{Rep}_K(H) \rightarrow \text{Rep}_K(G)$.
3. Show that Coind_H^G is right adjoint to Res_H^G .
4. Assume that $K = \mathbb{C}$. Show that the association

$$\alpha \mapsto \frac{1}{\#H} \sum_{g \in G} g^{-1} \otimes \alpha(g)$$

defines a canonical isomorphism $\text{Coind } V \rightarrow \text{Ind } V$. Conclude that Ind_H^G is left and right adjoint to Res_H^G .