

Wreath product generalization of the Gelfand triple (S_{2n}, H_n, ξ)

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1 Gelfand Triple

G : Finite group

H : Subgroup of G

ξ : Representation of H/\mathbb{C}

Definition 1.1.

$(G, H, \xi) : \underline{\text{Gelfand triple}} \iff \xi \uparrow_H^G$ is multiplicity-free.

$((G, H) : \underline{\text{Gelfand pair}} \iff 1 \uparrow_H^G$ is multiplicity-free.)

In the below, let ξ be a 1-dim. repn. of H .

Assume (G, H, ξ) is a Gelfand triple. Put

$$\xi \uparrow_H^G = \bigoplus_{i=1}^t V_i, \quad (V_i : \text{a unitary irred. repn. of } G)$$

Then

$$\exists_1 v(i) \in V_i \text{ s. t. } hv(i) = \xi(h)v(i) \text{ (} h \in H \text{) and } |v(i)| = 1.$$

Define **ξ -spherical function** by

$$\omega_i(g) = \langle v(i), gv(i) \rangle.$$

$$(\omega_i(hg) = \omega_i(gh) = \xi(h^{-1})\omega_i(g), \text{ (} h \in H \text{)})$$

2 Hecke algebra

$G \supset H$, ξ : 1-dim repn. of H .

$\mathbb{C}G$: Group algebra of G $\xleftrightarrow{\text{identify}} \{f : G \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}\}$

$$\sum_{g \in G} f(g)g \longleftrightarrow f : g \mapsto f(g)$$

$$\bullet \quad e_\xi = \frac{1}{|H|} \sum_{h \in H} \xi(h^{-1})h$$

Hecke algebra : $\mathcal{H}^\xi(G, H) := e_\xi \mathbb{C}G e_\xi \subset \mathbb{C}G$.

$$\mathcal{H}^\xi(G, H) = \{f : G \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f(hg) = f(gh) = \xi(h^{-1})f(g), h \in H\}$$

Proposition 2.1.

$\mathcal{H}^\xi(G, H)$ is commutative $\Leftrightarrow (G, H, \xi)$ is a Gelfand triple.

Proposition 2.2.

$\{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_s\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}^\xi(G, H)$.

Inner product of $\mathcal{H}^\xi(G, H)$;

$$\langle f, f' \rangle_G = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} f(g) \overline{f'(g)}.$$

- $\{g_1, \dots, g_t\} (t \geq s)$: a complete representatives of $H \backslash G / H$.

Then $\{e_\xi g_i e_\xi \mid 1 \leq i \leq t, e_\xi g_i e_\xi \neq 0\}$ is a basis of $\mathcal{H}^\xi(G, H)$.

3 $G = S_{2n}$ and $H = H_n$

• S_{2n} : Symmetric group

• H_n : Hyperoctahedral group ($\cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \wr S_n$)

$$= \langle \underbrace{(2i-1, 2i)}_{(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^n\text{-part}}, \underbrace{(2j-1, 2j+1)(2j, 2j+2)}_{S_n\text{-part}}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1 \rangle.$$

1-dim. repn. of H_n : $1, \delta, \varepsilon, \delta \otimes \varepsilon$

$$\begin{cases} \delta((2j-1, 2j+1)(2j, 2j+2)) = \varepsilon((2i-1, 2i)) = 1 \\ \delta((2i-1, 2i)) = \varepsilon((2j-1, 2j+1)(2j, 2j+2)) = -1 \end{cases}$$

Theorem 3.1. (A. James)

$(S_{2n}, H_n, 1)$ is a Gelfand triple. $(1 \uparrow_{H_n}^{S_{2n}} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash n} S^{2\lambda}.)$

“1-Spherical fn. $\omega^\lambda \mapsto z_\lambda = |H_n| \sum_{\rho \vdash n} \frac{1}{z_\rho} \omega_\rho^\lambda p_\rho$ (zonal poly.)”

$2\lambda = (2\lambda_1, 2\lambda_2, \dots).$

Theorem 3.2. (J. Stembridge)

$(S_{2n}, H_n, \varepsilon)$ is a Gelfand triple. $(\varepsilon \uparrow_{H_n}^{S_{2n}} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash n, \text{strict}} S^{D(\lambda)}.)$

“ ε -spherical fn. $\xi^\lambda \mapsto Q_\lambda \propto \sum_{\rho \in OP_n} \frac{1}{z_\rho} \xi_\rho^\lambda p_\rho$ (Schur’s Q -fn).”

$D(\lambda) = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots | \lambda_1 - 1, \lambda_2 - 1, \dots);$ in Frobenius notation

- $SG_{2n} := G \wr S_{2n}$
- $HG_n := \{(g_1, g_1, g_2, g_2, \dots, g_n, g_n; \sigma); g_i \in G, \sigma \in H_n\}$

Theorem 3.3. [M]

$(SG_{2n}, HG_n, 1)$ is a Gelfand triple.

“1-spherical fn. \mapsto product of zonal and Schur polys.”

Problem 3.4. Let Θ be a 1-dim. repn. of HG_n .

→ (SG_{2n}, HG_n, Θ) : Gelfand triple?

→ $\Theta \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}} = ?$

→ When $e_\Theta x e_\Theta = 0$?

→ Compute Θ -Spherical functions (Evaluate them on each double cosets).

4 (SG_{2n}, HG_n, Θ)

4.1 1-dim. repn. of HG_n

Remark

$$HG_n \cong (G \times S_2) \wr S_n.$$

Let ξ be an 1-dim. repn. of G .

1-dim. repn. of HG_n :

$$\Theta_{\xi, \pi}(g_1, g_1, \dots, g_n, g_n; \sigma) = \xi(g_1 g_2 \cdots g_n) \pi(\sigma),$$

where π is a 1-dim. repn. of H_n (one of 4).

4.2 Double Coset

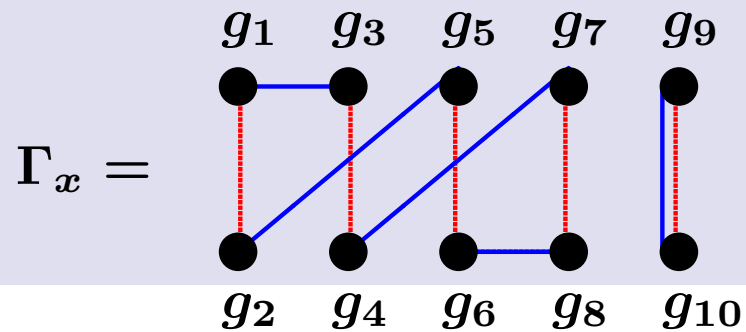
For $x = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{2n}; \sigma) \in SG_{2n}$, Define a graph

$\Gamma_x = (\underbrace{V_x}_{\text{vertices}}, \underbrace{E_x}_{\text{edges}})$ by

$$\begin{cases} V_x = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{2n}\}, \\ E_x = \{\{g_{2i-1}, g_{2i}\}, \{g_{\sigma(2i-1)}, g_{\sigma(2i)}\}; 1 \leq i \leq n\}. \end{cases}$$

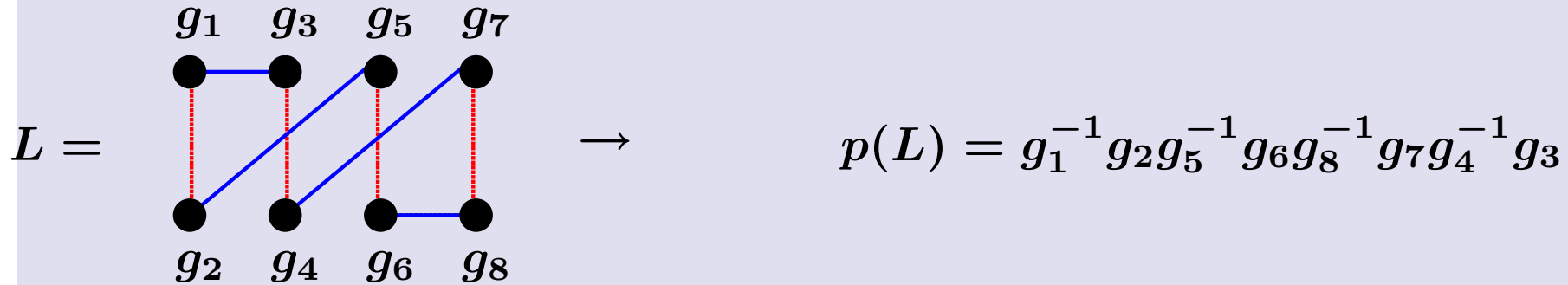
Example 4.1.

$x = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{10}; (1, 4, 3)(2, 7)(5, 8)(9, 10))$



Definition 4.2.

- L : a **circuit** (=connected component of Γ_x) of Γ_x



- $p(L)$: **circuit product** of **length 4** (= # of red line=: $|L|$).

G_* : the set of conjugacy class of G

$$G_{**} = \{C \cup C^{-1} ; C \in G_*\}, \quad (C^{-1} = \{g^{-1} \mid g \in C\}).$$

Example 4.3.

$$G = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} = \{1, a, a^2, a^3, a^4, a^5\}$$

$$G_{**} = \{\{1\}, \{a, a^5\}, \{a^2, a^4\}, \{a^3\}\}$$

Definition 4.4.

$$x \in SG_{2n}, R \in G_{**}$$

$$m_k^x(R) = |\{L : \text{circuit of } \Gamma_x \mid p(L) \in R, |L| = k\}|,$$

$$\rho^x(R) := 1^{m_1^x(R)} 2^{m_2^x(R)} \dots$$

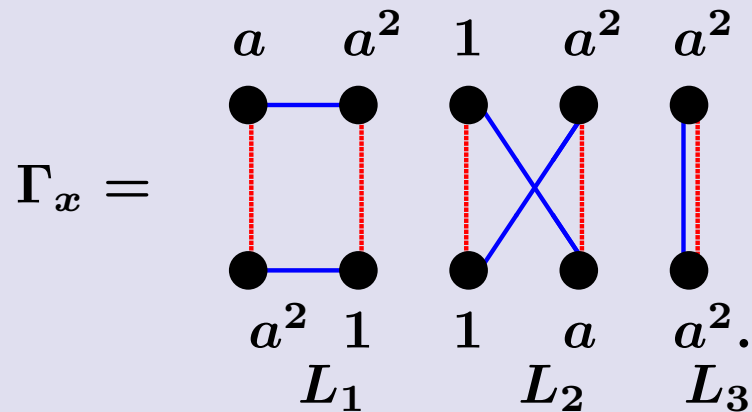
$$CT(x) := (\rho^x(R); R \in G_{**}) : \text{circuit type of } x$$

Example 4.5.

$$G = \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} = \{1, a, a^2\}$$

$$G_{**} = \{R_1 = \{1\}, R_2 = \{a, a^2\}\}$$

$$x = (a, a^2, a^2, 1, 1, 1, a^2, a, a^2, a^2; (23)(5678)(9, 10))$$



$$\begin{cases} p(L_1) = a(a^2)^{-1}1(a^2)^{-1} = \mathbf{1} & (|L_1| = \mathbf{2}) \\ p(L_2) = 1(1)^{-1}a^2a^{-1} = \mathbf{a} & (|L_2| = \mathbf{2}) \\ p(L_3) = a^2(a^2)^{-1} = \mathbf{1} & (|L_3| = \mathbf{1}) \end{cases}$$

$$CT(x) = (\rho^x(R_1), \rho^x(R_2)) = ((\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}), (\mathbf{2})).$$

Theorem 4.6.

$x, y \in SG_{2n}$.

$$CT(x) = CT(y) \Leftrightarrow x \in HG_n y HG_n .$$

Remark 4.7.

$$HG_n \backslash SG_{2n} / HG_n \leftrightarrow \{ \underline{\rho} ; |G_{**}| \text{-tuple of partitions , } |\underline{\rho}| = n \}$$

4.3 Representation Theory of wreath product

$G^* = \{\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_r\}$: the set of Irred. repns of G ,

$$S_n^* = \{S^\lambda \mid |\lambda| = n\}$$

For $\gamma \in G^*$, we can define an action of $G \wr S_n$ on $\gamma^{\otimes n} \otimes S^\lambda$ by

$$(g_1, \dots, g_n; \sigma)v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_n \otimes w = g_1 v_{\sigma^{-1}(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes g_n v_{\sigma^{-1}(n)} \otimes \sigma w.$$

For $\underline{n} = (n_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq r) \in \mathbb{N}_0^r$ and $|\underline{n}| = \sum_{i=1}^r n_i = n$ (i.e. r -composition of n), we define a subgroup of $G \wr S_n$ by

$$G \wr S_{\underline{n}} := \prod_{i=1}^r G \wr S_{n_i} .$$

Proposition 4.8.

$$(G \wr S_n)^* = \left\{ \bigotimes_{i=1}^r \gamma^{\otimes n_i} \otimes S^{\lambda^i} \uparrow_{G \wr S_{\underline{n}}}^{G \wr S_n} \mid |\underline{n}| = n, |\lambda^i| = n_i \right\}.$$

4.4 Analysis of (SG_2, HG_1)

- ξ : 1-dim. repn. of G
- $\hat{\xi} : (g, g; \sigma) \mapsto \xi(g)$

Proposition 4.9. $(SG_2, HG_1, \hat{\xi})$ is a Gelfand triple.

Corollary 4.10.

Let χ be an irreducible character of G . Then

$$\nu_2^\xi(\chi) = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi(g^2) \overline{\xi(g)} = \begin{cases} \pm 1 & (\chi = \xi \otimes \bar{\chi}), \\ 0 & (\chi \neq \xi \otimes \bar{\chi}). \end{cases}$$

Conjugacy class C is a real (resp. complex) $\Leftrightarrow C = C^{-1}$ (resp. $C \neq C^{-1}$).

Corollary 4.11.

$$\frac{1}{2} |\{\chi \mid \nu_2^\xi(\chi) = 0\}| = \frac{1}{2} |\{C \mid C \neq C^{-1}\}| + |\{C \mid C = C^{-1}, \xi(C) = -1\}|.$$

Example 4.12. $G = \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_3)$, $\xi = \chi_2$

	C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4	C_5	C_6	C_7	C_8	$\nu_2^\xi(\chi)$
	R_1	R_2	R_3	R_4	R_5	R_6	R_7	R_7	
χ_1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
$\xi = \chi_2$	1	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	0
χ_3	2	2	2	-1	-1	0	0	0	-1
χ_4	3	3	-1	0	0	1	-1	-1	0
χ_5	3	3	-1	0	0	-1	1	1	0
χ_6	2	-2	0	-1	1	0	$\sqrt{2}i$	$-\sqrt{2}i$	-1
χ_7	2	-2	0	-1	1	0	$-\sqrt{2}i$	$\sqrt{2}i$	-1
χ_8	4	-4	0	1	-1	0	0	0	-1

- $\{\chi \mid \nu_2^\xi(\chi) = 0\} = \{\chi_1, \chi_2, \chi_4, \chi_5\}$, ($\chi_1 = \xi \otimes \overline{\chi_2}$ and $\chi_4 = \xi \otimes \overline{\chi_5}$).
- $\{C \mid C \neq C^{-1}\} = \{C_7, C_8\}$, $\{C \mid C = C^{-1}, \xi(C) = -1\} = \{C_6\}$

$$1/2 \times 4 = 1/2 \times 2 + 1$$

5 Gelfand Triple $(SG_{2n}, HG_n, \Theta_{\xi, \pi})$

Theorem 5.1.

- (1) $\Theta_{\xi, \pi} \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}}$ is multiplicity-free as SG_{2n} -module.
- (2) Basis associated with the double cosets can be described.

We explain this theorem, by using an example $G = GL_2(\mathbb{F}_3)$ and $\xi = \chi_2$.

Recall

(\star) Irreducible representaion of SG_{2n} (Put $n_i = |\lambda(\chi_i)|$):

$$\{S(\lambda(\chi_1), \lambda(\chi_2), \dots, \lambda(\chi_8)) = \bigotimes_{i=1}^8 (V_{\chi_i}^{\otimes n_i} \otimes S^{\lambda(\chi_i)}) \uparrow_{SG(\underline{n})}^{SG_{2n}} \mid |\underline{\lambda}| = n\}$$

($\star\star$) Fix a complete representatives of $HG_n \backslash SG_{2n} / HG_n$ by

$$X = \{x(\underline{\rho}) \mid CT(x(\underline{\rho})) = (\rho(R_1), \rho(R_2), \dots, \rho(R_7)) \ \& \ |CT(x(\underline{\rho}))| = n\}$$

$$\pi = 1, \delta$$

$$(1) \Theta_{\xi, 1} \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}} = \bigoplus S(\lambda^1, \lambda^1, (2\lambda^3)', \lambda^4, \lambda^4, (2\lambda^6)', (2\lambda^7)', (2\lambda^8)')$$

$$(2) \Theta_{\xi, \delta} \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}} = \bigoplus S(\lambda^1, \lambda^1, (2\lambda^3), \lambda^4, \lambda^4, (2\lambda^6), (2\lambda^7), (2\lambda^8))$$

- Index set of irred. comp.

	χ_1	χ_2	χ_3	χ_4	χ_5	χ_6	χ_7	χ_8
	$\chi_1 = \xi \otimes \bar{\chi}_2$		χ_3	$\chi_4 = \xi \otimes \bar{\chi}_5$		χ_6	χ_7	χ_8
$\lambda^i \in$	P		P	P		P	P	P
$\nu_2^\xi(\chi_i)$	0	0	-1	0	0	-1	-1	-1

- $\mathcal{H}^\ominus = \text{Span}\{e_\theta x e_\theta \mid x \in X, CT(x) = (\rho(R_1), \dots, \rho(R_7)) \in \mathcal{P}_\ominus\}$

	R_1	R_2	R_3	R_4	R_5	R_6	R_7
ξ on C_i	1	1	1	1	1	-1	
$R_i =$	C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4	C_5	C_6	$C_7 \cup C_8$
$\mathcal{P}_\ominus =$	P	$\times P$	$\times P$	$\times P$	$\times P$	$\times \{\emptyset\}$	$\times P$

$$\pi = \varepsilon, \delta \otimes \varepsilon$$

$$(3) \Theta_{\xi, \varepsilon} \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}} = \bigoplus S(\lambda^1, \lambda^{1'}, D(\lambda^3)', \lambda^4, \lambda^{4'}, D(\lambda^6)', D(\lambda^7)', D(\lambda^8)')$$

$$(4) \Theta_{\xi, \delta \otimes \varepsilon} \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}} = \bigoplus S(\lambda^1, \lambda^{1'}, D(\lambda^3), \lambda^4, \lambda^{4'}, D(\lambda^6), D(\lambda^7), D(\lambda^8))$$

- Index set of irred. comp.

	χ_1	χ_2	χ_3	χ_4	χ_5	χ_6	χ_7	χ_8
	$\chi_1 = \xi \otimes \bar{\chi}_2$		χ_3	$\chi_4 = \xi \otimes \bar{\chi}_5$		χ_6	χ_7	χ_8
$\lambda^i \in$	P		SP	P		SP	SP	SP
$\nu_2^\xi(\chi_i)$	0	0	-1	0	0	-1	-1	-1

- $\mathcal{H}^\ominus = \text{Span}\{e_\theta x e_\theta \mid x \in X, CT(x) = (\rho(R_1), \dots, \rho(R_7)) \in \mathcal{P}_\ominus\}$

	R_1	R_2	R_3	R_4	R_5	R_6	R_7
ξ on C_i	1	1	1	1	1	-1	
$R_i =$	C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4	C_5	C_6	$C_7 \cup C_8$
$\mathcal{P}_\ominus =$	OP	$\times OP$	$\times OP$	$\times OP$	$\times OP$	$\times EP$	$\times P$

$\Theta_{\xi,\pi}$ -Spherical Function

Roughly speaking, each $\Theta_{\xi,\pi}$ -Spherical Functions appear as the coefficients of “multi-component power sum” in some product of symmetric function.

$$\star \Theta_{\xi,1} \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}} = \bigoplus S(\lambda^1, \lambda^1, (2\lambda^2)', \lambda^3, \lambda^3, (2\lambda^4)', (2\lambda^5)', (2\lambda^6)')$$

$\Theta_{\xi,\pi}$ -S.F. \leftrightarrow coeff. of “pow. sum” in $s_{\lambda^1} z_{(\lambda^2)'} s_{\lambda^3} z_{(\lambda^4)'} z_{(\lambda^5)'} z_{(\lambda^6)'}$

$$\star \Theta_{\xi,\varepsilon} \uparrow_{HG_n}^{SG_{2n}} = \bigoplus S(\lambda^1, \lambda^{1'}, D(\lambda^2)', \lambda^3, \lambda^{3'}, D(\lambda^4)', D(\lambda^5)', D(\lambda^6)')$$

$\Theta_{\xi,\pi}$ -S.F. \leftrightarrow coeff. of “pow. sum” in $s_{\lambda^1} Q_{\lambda^2} s_{\lambda^3} Q_{\lambda^4} Q_{\lambda^5} Q_{\lambda^6}$.