

# Groups and Representations

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a) A representation  $R$  of a group ~~is~~  $G$  over a vector ~~space~~ space  $V$  is a group homomorphism

$$R: G \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(V)$$

~~A~~ A representation  $R: G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(V)$  is irreducible if there does not exist a sub-vector space  $U \subseteq V$ ,  $U \neq \{0\}$  with  $R(g)U \subseteq U \quad \forall g \in G$ .

A representation  $R$  is called faithful if it is injective.

A representation  $R$  is unitary if there exist a scalar product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  over  $V$  such that  $\langle R(g)v, R(g)w \rangle = \langle v, w \rangle \quad \forall g \in G, v, w \in V$

b) Schur's Lemma: irreducible ~~rep~~ representation  $R: G \rightarrow \text{GL}(V)$ , linear map  $P: V \rightarrow V$

~~then~~ if  $PR = RP$  ~~then~~  $PR(g) = R(g)P$

then  $P = \lambda \text{id}_V$

$\downarrow$  identity map.

constant  $\in \mathbb{C}$

if  $G$  Abelian  $\rightarrow$   ~~$g_1 g_2 = g_2 g_1$~~

$$g_1 g_2 = g_2 g_1 \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G.$$

$$[R(g_1), R(g_2)] = 0 \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G.$$

~~$P$~~

$P$

$$\Rightarrow PR(g_1) = R(g_2)P$$

$\rightarrow$  By Schur's lemma,  ~~$P = \lambda \text{id}_V$~~

$$P = \lambda \text{id}_V = \lambda \text{id}_n \quad (n = \dim(V)).$$

$$\Rightarrow R(g_1) = \lambda \text{id}_n = \lambda(g_1) \text{id}_n$$

Similarly  $R(g_2) = \lambda(g_2) \text{id}_n$

Hence  $R(g) = \lambda(g) \text{id}_n \quad \forall g \in G.$

this is irreducible only if  $n=1$   $\square$

c)  $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 = \{(0,0), (1,0), (0,1), (1,1)\}.$

the multiplication, addition mod 2, is commutative, so  $G$  is ~~an~~ Abelian.

$\rightarrow$  irreducible representations are 1-dimensional.

the identity element is  $(0,0)$

$$\therefore R(0,0) = 1$$

$$(1,1) \circ (1,1) = (0,0)$$

$$\Rightarrow R^2(1,1) = R(0,0) = 1$$

$$\therefore R(1,1) = \pm 1$$

~~$$\# R(1,1) = 1, R(0,0) = 1$$~~

$$\Rightarrow (1,0) \circ (1,0) = (0,0)$$

$$\therefore R^2(1,0) = R(0,0) = 1 \Rightarrow R(1,0) = \pm 1$$

$$\text{Similarly } R(0,1) = \pm 1$$

$$\text{Also } R(0,1) \cdot R(1,0) = R(1,1)$$

$$R(1,1) R(1,0) = R(0,1)$$

$$R(1,1) R(0,1) = R(1,0)$$

$\therefore$  All irreducible representations,

|          | $R_1$ | $R_2$ | $R_3$ | $R_4$ |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $R(0,0)$ | 1     | 1     | 1     | 1     |
| $R(1,0)$ | 1     | -1    | 1     | -1    |
| $R(0,1)$ | 1     | -1    | -1    | 1     |
| $R(1,1)$ | 1     | 1     | -1    | -1    |

Character  $\chi_R$  of  $R$  is  $\chi_R = \text{tr}(R(g))$

For 1-D,  $\chi_R(g) = R(g)$



∴ character table.

|              | <del><math>R_1</math></del>          | <del><math>R_2</math></del> | <del><math>R_3</math></del> | <del><math>R_4</math></del> |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|              | $(0,0)$                              | $(1,0)$                     | $(0,1)$                     | $(1,1)$                     |
| $\chi_{R_1}$ | <del><math>\chi_{(0,0)}</math></del> | 1                           | 1                           | 1                           |
| $\chi_{R_2}$ | <del><math>\chi_{(1,0)}</math></del> | 1                           | -1                          | -1                          |
| $\chi_{R_3}$ | <del><math>\chi_{(0,1)}</math></del> | 1                           | +1                          | -1                          |
| $\chi_{R_4}$ | <del><math>\chi_{(1,1)}</math></del> | 1                           | -1                          | +1                          |

~~cd~~

d)  $V = \{ax^2 + bxy + cy^2 \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{K}\}$

$$R: \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow \text{Gl}(V)$$

$$R(1,0)(P(x,y)) = P(x,-y)$$

$$R(0,1)(P(x,y)) = P(y,x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(1,1)(P(x,y)) &= R(1,0)R(0,1) \\ &= R(1,0)(P(y,x)) \\ &= P(y,-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$R(0,0)(P(x,y)) = P(x,y). \quad \therefore R(e) = \text{id.}$$

over the basis  $\{x^2, xy, y^2\}$

$$R(1,0)(x^2) = x^2 = (1)x^2 + (0)xy + (0)y^2$$

$$R(1,0)(xy) = -xy = (0)x^2 + (-1)xy + (0)y^2$$

$$R(1,0)(y^2) = y^2 = (0)x^2 + (0)xy + (1)y^2$$

$$\therefore R(1,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R(0,1)(x^2) = y^2 = (0)x^2 + (0)xy + (1)y^2$$

~~R(0,1)(y^2)~~

$$R(0,1)(xy) = xy = (0)x^2 + (1)xy + (0)y^2$$

$$R(0,1)(y^2) = x^2 = (1)x^2 + (0)xy + (0)y^2$$

$$\therefore R(0,1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R(1,1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R(1,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ obviously,}$$

$$\therefore \chi_R = \begin{matrix} & (0,0) & (1,0) & (0,1) & (1,1) \\ \begin{matrix} \chi_1 \\ \chi_2 \end{matrix} & 3 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{matrix}$$

$$(\chi_i, \chi_j) = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi_i^*(g) \chi_j(g)$$

multiplicity of  $\chi_i$  in  $\chi_R$  is

$$m_i = (\chi_i, \chi_R)$$

$$\therefore m_i = (\chi_i, \chi_R) = \frac{1}{4} (3 + 1 + 1 - 1) = 1$$

$$m_2 = \frac{1}{4}(3 - 1 - 1 - 1) = 0$$

$$m_3 = \frac{1}{4}(3 + 1 - 1 + 1) = 1$$

$$m_4 = \frac{1}{4}(3 - 1 + 1 + 1) = 1$$

$$\therefore R = R_1 \oplus R_3 \oplus R_4$$

$$R((1,0)(0,1)) = R(1,1) = R((1,0)R(0,1))$$

$$R(1,0)R(0,0) = P(x,-y)P(x,y) = P(x,-y) = R(1,0) \\ = R((1,0)(0,0)).$$

~~R~~ Similarly  $R(0,1)R(0,0) = R((0,1)(0,0)).$

~~R~~  $R(0,0)R(0,1) = R(0,1)$ ,  $R(0,0)R(1,0) = R(1,0)$

~~R~~  $R(1,0)R(1,1) = P(x,-y)P(y,-x) = P(y,x) \\ = R(0,1) = R((1,0)(1,1)).$

Similarly ~~R~~  $R(0,1)R(1,1) = R((0,1)(1,1)).$

$R(1,1)R(0,1) = R(1,0)$ ,  $R(1,1)R(1,0) = R(0,1)$

$$R(1,1)R(1,1) = P(y,-x)P(y,-x) = P(-x,-y)$$

$\rightarrow$   $= P(x,y) = R(0,0) = R((1,1)(1,1)).$   
quadratic

$$\rightarrow \therefore R(g_1)R(g_2) = R(g_1g_2) \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G$$

R is a representation

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quaternion group  $Q = \{\pm 1, \pm i, \pm j, \pm k\}$

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) Conjugacy class of  $g_1 \in G$  is

$$[g_1] = \{g_2 \in G \mid \exists g \in G : g_2 = g g_1 g^{-1}\}$$

~~we know~~ we know  $\sigma_i \sigma_j = \delta_{ij} 1_2 + i \epsilon_{ijk} \sigma_k$

$$\therefore (i \sigma_i)(i \sigma_j) = -\delta_{ij} 1_2 - i \epsilon_{ijk} \sigma_k$$

$$\therefore (\pm 1_2)^{-1} = \pm 1_2$$

$$(\pm i \sigma_j)^{-1} = \mp i \sigma_j$$

~~we know~~

conjugacy class of  $\pm 1_2$

$$[\pm 1_2] = \{g_2 \in Q \mid \exists g \in Q : g_2 = g (\pm 1_2) g^{-1}\}$$

$$\Rightarrow g_2 = \pm 1_2 g g^{-1} = \pm 1_2$$

$$\Rightarrow [\pm 1_2] = \underline{\underline{\pm 1_2}}$$

~~we know~~ of  $\pm i \sigma_j$  :

$$[\pm i \sigma_j] = \{g_2 \in Q \mid \exists g \in Q : g_2 = g (\pm i \sigma_j) g^{-1}\}$$

$$\text{If } g = \pm 1_2 \Rightarrow g_2 = \pm i \sigma_j$$

$$\text{If } g = \pm i \sigma_i$$

$$\text{Using } [\sigma_i, \sigma_j] = 2i \epsilon_{ijk} \sigma_k$$

$$\hookrightarrow g_2 = g (\pm i \sigma_j) g^{-1} = \cancel{\sigma_j g g^{-1}} (\pm i \sigma_i) (\pm i \sigma_j) (\mp i \sigma_i)$$

$$= \pm i \sigma_i \sigma_j (\mp i \sigma_i) = \pm i \sigma_i \sigma_j \sigma_i$$

$$= \cancel{\pm i \sigma_i \sigma_i (\mp i \sigma_j)} = \pm i \sigma_j \sigma_i \sigma_i$$

$$= \pm i (\sigma_i \sigma_i + [\sigma_i, \sigma_j]) \sigma_i$$

$$= \pm i \sigma_j + 2i \epsilon_{ijk} \sigma_k \sigma_i$$

$$= \pm i \sigma_j + 2i \epsilon_{ijk} (\delta_{ki} + i \epsilon_{kij} \sigma_j)$$

$$= \cancel{\pm i \sigma_j} \pm i \sigma_i \sigma_j \sigma_i$$

$$\text{If } i=j \quad = \pm i \sigma_i \sigma_i \sigma_i = \pm i \sigma_i = \pm i \sigma_j$$

$$\text{If } i \neq j \quad = \pm i \sigma_i \sigma_j \sigma_i = \cancel{\pm i \sigma_i \sigma_k} \pm i \sigma_i \sigma_k$$

$$= \pm i \sigma_j$$

$$\Rightarrow [\pm i \sigma_j] = \pm i \sigma_j$$

(Note here  $\pm A = \pm B$  doesn't  $A=B, -A=-B$ )

It means  $\pm A = \pm B \Rightarrow \pm A = +B$  or  $-B$   
 $-A = +B$  or  $-B$ )

Hence conjugacy classes are  $(5)$

$$[I_2], [-I_2], [\pm i \sigma_1], [\pm i \sigma_2], [\pm i \sigma_3]$$

Num of conjugacy classes =  $J$  = number of irreducible representations of  $Q$ .

~~$\therefore$  Also  $\sum$~~

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^J (\dim R_i)^2 = |Q| = 8$$

$\dim R_i$  are dimensions of ir-reps.  $\in \mathbb{Z}$

~~in~~  $\therefore$  ~~the~~ 5 positive integers (perfect squares) sum to 8

$\rightarrow$  they are 1, 1, 1, 1,  $\sqrt{4}=2$  dimensions.

b) irreducible complex representations.

| $R_i \backslash g$ | $\pm \mathbb{1}_2$ | $\pm i\sigma_1$ | $\pm i\sigma_2$ | $\pm i\sigma_3$ |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| $R_1$              | 1                  | 1               | -1              | -1              |
| $R_2$              | 1                  | -1              | 1               | -1              |
| $R_a$              | 1                  | 1               | 1               | 1               |
| $R_b$              | 1                  | 1               | -1              | -1              |
| $R_c$              | $\pm \mathbb{1}_2$ | $\pm i\sigma_1$ | $\pm i\sigma_2$ | $\pm i\sigma_3$ |

the  $\dim = 2$  rep  $R_c$  is given by the question, and the 4 1D reps are obtained from the fact that  $R(\mathbb{1}_2) = \mathbb{1}$  is the identity

$R_a$  is the trivial rep.

For  $R_1, R_2, R_6$ ,  $\therefore$  1-D matrices commute!

$$R(-\mathbb{1}_2) \cdot R(-\mathbb{1}_2) = R(\mathbb{1}_2) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow R(-\mathbb{1}_2) = \pm 1$$

$$R(\pm i\sigma_j) \cdot R(\pm i\sigma_j) = R(-\mathbb{1}_2) = \pm 1$$

$$\Rightarrow R(\pm i\sigma_j) = \pm 1, \quad R(i\sigma_j) = \mp R(-i\sigma_j)$$

$$R(\pm i\sigma_j) R(\pm i\sigma_k) = R(\pm i\sigma_k)$$

the solutions are  $R_1, R_6, R_2$ .

Character table:  $\chi_i(g) = \text{tr}(R_i(g))$

|          | $\mathbb{1}_2$ | $-\mathbb{1}_2$ | $\{ \pm i\sigma_1 \}$ | $\{ \pm i\sigma_2 \}$ | $\{ \pm i\sigma_3 \}$ |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| $\chi_1$ | 1              | 1               | 1                     | -1                    | -1                    |
| $\chi_2$ | 1              | 1               | -1                    | 1                     | -1                    |
| $\chi_a$ | 1              | 1               | 1                     | 1                     | 1                     |
| $\chi_b$ | 1              | 1               | 1                     | -1                    | -1                    |
| $\chi_c$ | 2              | -2              | 0                     | 0                     | 0                     |

$$c) \quad R_4(i\sigma_1) R_4(i\sigma_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} = -\mathbb{1}_4 = R(-\mathbb{1}_2)$$



similarly  $R_4(\pm i\sigma_j)^2 = \cancel{\mathbb{1}_2} R_4(-\mathbb{1}_2)$

$$R_4(i\sigma_j)R_4(-i\sigma_j) = \cancel{\mathbb{1}_2} R_4(\mathbb{1}_2)$$

$$R_4(i\sigma_1)R_4(i\sigma_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & +1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ +1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = R_4(-i\sigma_3)$$

$$\therefore R_4(i\sigma_i)R_4(i\sigma_j) = R_4(-i\varepsilon_{ijk}\sigma_k)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{i \neq j}$

$\Rightarrow$  ~~the~~ multiplication structure is preserved

$\therefore R_4: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{R}^4)$   
and is a homomorphism

$\therefore R_4$  is a representation.

character of  $R_4$

|          | $\mathbb{1}_4$ | $-\mathbb{1}_2$ | $\{i\sigma_1\}$ | $\{i\sigma_2\}$ | $\{i\sigma_3\}$ |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| $\chi_4$ | 4              | -4              | 0               | 0               | 0               |

multiplicity of irreducible representation  $R_i$  in  $R$  is

$$m_i = (\chi_R, \chi_i) = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{Q}|} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{Q}} \chi_R^*(g) \chi_i(g)$$



$$\therefore \cancel{\chi} m_1 = m_2 = m_a = m_b = 0$$

$$m_c = (\chi_4, \chi_c) = \frac{1}{8} (\cancel{4} \times 2 + (4) \times (-2))$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \times 16 = 2$$

$$\therefore R_4 = R_c \oplus R_c$$

$$(d) \quad \cancel{R_4} \quad \chi_{R_4 \otimes R_4} = \chi_{R_4} + \chi_{R_4} = 2\chi_{R_4}$$

$$\text{or} \quad = (8, -8, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$m_1 = m_2 = m_a = m_b = 0$$

$$m_c = \frac{1}{8} (2 \times 8 + (-2) \times (-8)) = 4$$

$$\therefore R_4 \otimes R_4 = R_c \oplus R_c \oplus R_c \oplus R_c = R_c^{\otimes 4}$$

$$\chi_{R_4 \otimes R_4} = \chi_{R_4} \times \chi_{R_4} = (16, 16, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$m_i = (\chi_{R_4 \otimes R_4}, \chi_i)$$

$$m_c = 0, \quad m_1 = m_2 = m_a = m_b$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} (16 + 16) = 4$$

$$\therefore R_4 \otimes R_4 = R_1^{\otimes 4} \oplus R_2^{\otimes 4} \oplus R_a^{\otimes 4} \oplus R_b^{\otimes 4}$$

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a) Group  $SU(4) = \{ U \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}^4) \mid U^\dagger U = \mathbb{1}, \det(U) = 1 \}$

Generators  $T$ :  $U = \mathbb{1} + T + \dots$

$U^\dagger U = \mathbb{1} \rightarrow (\mathbb{1} + T^\dagger)(\mathbb{1} + T) = \mathbb{1}$

$\rightarrow \mathbb{1} + T + T^\dagger + \dots = \mathbb{1}$

$\Rightarrow T = -T^\dagger$  anti-hermitian

$\det(U) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 + \text{tr}(T) + \dots = 1$

$\therefore \text{tr}(T) = 0$  traceless

$\therefore$  Lie algebra of  $SU(4)$  is

$\mathfrak{su}(4) = \mathcal{L}(SU(4)) = \{ T \in \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^4) \mid T = -T^\dagger, \text{tr}(T) = 0 \}$

The Cartan-subalgebra  $\mathfrak{H}$  is the maximally mutual commuting (abelian) subspace of Lie-algebra  $\mathfrak{su}(4)$ , in this case  $\mathfrak{H}$  consists of the diagonal elements (so that they are abelian) and traceless condition also needs to be satisfied. and antihermitian

$\therefore \mathfrak{H} = \{ \text{diag}(ia_1, ia_2, ia_3, ia_4) \mid a_j \in \mathbb{R}, \sum_j a_j = 0 \}$

A basis for the Cartan subalgebra

$$H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad H_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

rank is  $\text{rk}(\mathfrak{su}(4)) = \underline{\underline{3}}$

$$\dim(\mathfrak{SU}(4)) = \cancel{4 \times \frac{4(4-1)}{2}} + 2 \times \frac{4(4-1)}{2} + 1 \times (4-1)$$

$\downarrow$  real + imaginary       $\downarrow$  off diagonal       $\downarrow$  traceless diagonal

$\nearrow$  only imaginary

$$= 4^2 - 1 = \underline{\underline{15}}$$

~~is~~

A simple basis

$$H_i = \text{diag}(0, 0, \dots, 1, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$\downarrow$   $i$ th position.

and  $\mathfrak{H} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^4 b_i H_i \mid \text{Re}(b_i) = 0, \sum_i b_i = 0 \right\}$

b)

$$H \in \mathfrak{H}, \quad H e_i = \sum_{j=1}^4 b_j H_j e_i$$

$$H_j e_i = S_{ij} e_i \quad (\text{NO sum})$$

$$= L_i(H_j) e_i \quad \text{where } L_i \in L_i \in \mathfrak{H}'$$

the dual of  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore H e_i &= \sum_{j=1}^4 b_j H_j e_i \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^4 b_j L_i(H_j) e_i = L_i\left(\sum_{j=1}^4 b_j H_j\right) e_i \\ &= L_i(H) e_i \end{aligned}$$

For # each basis of Cartan subalgebra.

$$H e_j = S_j e_j \quad (\text{No sum})$$

$\therefore$  weight for  $e_i$ :

|       | standard  | Dynkin   |
|-------|-----------|----------|
| $e_1$ | (1 0 0 0) | (1 0 0)  |
| $e_2$ | (0 1 0 0) | (-1 1 0) |
| $e_3$ | (0 0 1 0) | (0 -1 1) |
| $e_4$ | (0 0 0 1) | (0 0 -1) |

highest weight

~~The~~ For  $\bar{4}$  in the  $\bar{4}$  representation

For  $\bar{4}$  representation.  $\therefore \bar{4}$  is the dual of  $4$

$\therefore$  the weights of the dual are the negative of the weights of the original representation.

|                             | standard  | Dynkin   |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| $e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3$ | (1 1 1 0) | (0 0 1)  |
| $e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_4$ | (1 0 0 1) | (0 1 -1) |
| $e_1 \wedge e_3 \wedge e_4$ | (1 0 1 1) | (1 -1 0) |
| $e_2 \wedge e_3 \wedge e_4$ | (0 1 1 1) | (-1 0 0) |

$$\begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ (1 1 1 0) \end{pmatrix} = (0 0 0 -1) = -(0 0 0 1)$$

$\downarrow$  negative of lowest in  $4$  is highest in  $\bar{4}$

c) Young tableaux :

$$\underline{4} \quad \square \quad \bar{4} \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\underline{4} \otimes \underline{4} = \square \otimes \square \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline a \\ \hline \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & a \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$= \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$= \underline{6} \oplus \underline{10}$$

$$\underline{4} \otimes \bar{4} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \otimes \square$$

$$= \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline a \\ \hline \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline a \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$= \underline{1} \oplus \underline{15}$$

In  $\underline{4} \otimes \underline{4}$ ,

$$\underline{6} \rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \psi_{[uv]} \quad \swarrow \text{antisymmetrized}$$

$$\underline{10} \rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \psi_{(uv)} \quad \swarrow \text{symmetrized.}$$

$$d) \quad SU(3) \subset SU(4)$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad - \quad U_3 \in SU(3)$$

Doing this by index decomposition.

~~$$\underline{4} \rightarrow \psi_N = (\psi^\alpha, \psi^i) = (\psi^\alpha, \psi^4)$$~~

~~$$N=1,2,3,4 \quad \alpha=1,2,3, \quad i=4$$~~

$$\underline{4} \rightarrow \psi_N = (\psi_\alpha, \psi_i) = (\psi_\alpha, \psi_4)$$

$$N = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$\alpha = 1, 2, 3, \quad i = 4$$

| $\psi_N$      | transform | under | $\underline{3}$ | under | $SU(3)$                       |
|---------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------------|
| $\psi_\alpha$ | "         | "     | $\underline{1}$ | "     | <del><math>SU(1)</math></del> |
| $\psi_4$      | "         | "     | $\underline{1}$ | "     | $SU(3)$                       |
| $\psi_4$      | "         | "     | $\underline{1}$ | "     | $SU(1)$                       |

$$\underline{4} = (\underline{3}, \underline{1}) \oplus (\underline{1}, \underline{1})$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ SU(3) & \underline{1} & SU(3) & \underline{1} \end{array}$$

$$\bar{\underline{4}} \rightarrow \psi^N = (\psi^\alpha, \psi^4)$$

$$\text{Similarly } \bar{\underline{4}} = (\bar{\underline{3}}, \underline{1}) \oplus (\underline{1}, \underline{1})$$

$$\underline{4} \otimes \underline{4} = \underline{6} + \underline{10}$$

$$\underline{6} \rightarrow \cancel{\psi_{\alpha\beta}}$$

$$\psi_{[\mu\nu]} = (\psi_{[\alpha\beta]}, \psi_{\alpha i}, \psi_{[ij]})$$

$$= \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} \psi_{[\alpha\beta]} & \cancel{\psi_{14}} & \psi_{14} & \cancel{\psi_{24}} \\ \hline & \cancel{\psi_{24}} & \psi_{24} & \psi_{34} \\ & & & 0 \end{array} \right) = (\psi_{[\alpha\beta]}, \psi_{\alpha 4}, \cancel{\phi})$$

$\psi_{[\alpha\beta]}$  transforms under  $\underline{\bar{3}}$  of  $SU(3)$

(It has  $\square$ ), and under  $\underline{1}$  of  $1$

$\psi_{\alpha 4}$  ( $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$ ) transforms as  $\underline{3}$  of  $SU(3)$   
and  $\underline{1}$  of  $1$

~~$\psi_{[ij]}$  transforms as  $\underline{1}$  of  $SU(3)$  and  $1$~~

$$\underline{10} \rightarrow \cancel{\psi_{\alpha\beta}} \psi_{(\mu\nu)} = (\psi_{(\alpha\beta)}, \psi_{\alpha i}, \psi_{[ij]})$$

$$= \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} \psi_{(\alpha\beta)} & \psi_{14} & \psi_{24} & \psi_{34} \\ \hline \psi_{14} & \psi_{24} & \psi_{34} & \psi_{44} \end{array} \right) = (\psi_{(\alpha\beta)}, \psi_{\alpha 4}, \psi_{44})$$

$\psi_{(\alpha\beta)}$  transforms as  $\square \square = \underline{6}$  of  $SU(3)$   
and  $\underline{1}$  of  $1$

$\psi_{44}$  transforms under  $\underline{\bar{3}}$  of  $SU(3)$  and  $\underline{1}$  of  $1$

$\psi_{44}$  transforms under  $\underline{1}$  of  $SU(3)$  and  $1$

$$\therefore \underline{4} \otimes \underline{4} = \underline{10} + \underline{6} = (\underline{\bar{3}}, \underline{1}) \oplus (\underline{3}, \underline{1}) \oplus (\underline{6}, \underline{1})$$
$$\downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \oplus (\underline{\bar{3}}, \underline{1}) \oplus (\underline{1}, \underline{1})$$

$SU(4) \quad \quad \quad SU(4)$

$$\downarrow$$
$$(SU(3), \underline{1})$$

$$= \underline{6} \oplus \underline{\bar{3}} \oplus \underline{3} \oplus \underline{3} \oplus \underline{1} \quad (SU(3))$$





(4)

$$a) \quad SO(7) = \{ O \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{R}^7) \mid O^T O = \mathbb{1} \\ \det(O) = 1 \}$$

$$O = \mathbb{1} + T + \dots$$

↓

generators

$$O^T O = \mathbb{1} \Rightarrow \mathbb{1} = (\mathbb{1} + T^T)(\mathbb{1} + T) \\ = \mathbb{1} + T + T^T + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow T = -T^T \Rightarrow \text{antisymmetric.}$$

$$\det(O) = 1 \Rightarrow \det(\mathbb{1} + T + \dots) = 1$$

$$\therefore 1 + \text{tr}(T) + \dots = 1 \Rightarrow \text{tr}(T) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \text{traceless.}$$

$\therefore$  Lie algebra

$$\mathfrak{so}(7) = \mathcal{L}(SO(7)) = \{ T \in \text{End}(\mathbb{R}^7) \mid T = -T^T \}$$

Basis of  $\mathfrak{so}(7)$  is

$$(\sigma_{\mu\nu})^\rho{}_\sigma = \delta^\rho_\mu \delta_{\nu\sigma} - \delta_{\mu\sigma} \delta^\rho_\nu$$

$$\rightarrow [\sigma_{\alpha\beta}, \sigma_{\gamma\delta}] = \delta_{\alpha\delta} \sigma_{\beta\gamma} + \delta_{\alpha\gamma} \sigma_{\delta\beta} + \delta_{\beta\delta} \sigma_{\alpha\gamma} + \delta_{\beta\gamma} \sigma_{\alpha\delta}$$

So if  $\alpha \neq \sigma$  and  $\alpha \neq \delta$  and  $\beta \neq \gamma$  and  $\beta \neq \delta$ .

then  ~~$[\sigma_{\alpha\beta}, \sigma_{\gamma\delta}] = 0$~~

Hence the Cartan-subalgebra ~~is~~  
for  $\mathfrak{so}(7)$  is  $(B_3)$  is.

$$\mathfrak{H} = \{ \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{34}, \sigma_{56} \}$$

$$\therefore \text{rk}(\mathfrak{so}(7)) = \dim(\mathfrak{H}) = \underline{\underline{3}}$$

$$\dim(\mathfrak{so}(7)) = \frac{7(7-1)}{2} = \underline{\underline{21}}$$

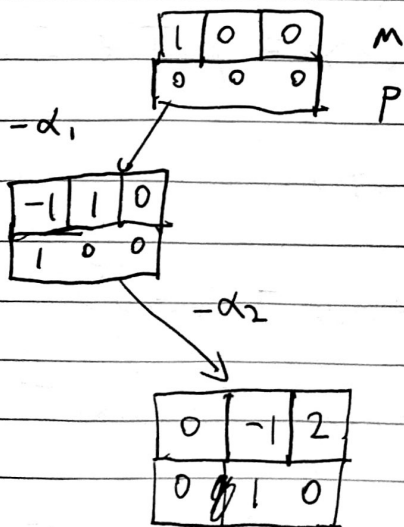
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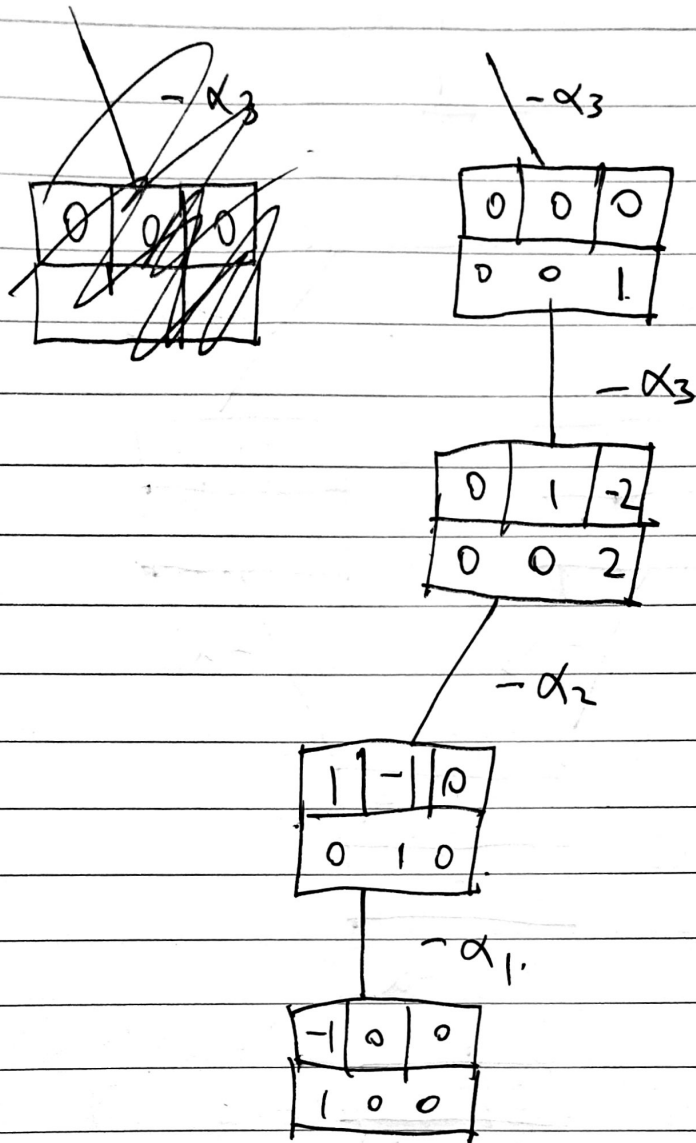
$$A(B_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{matrix}$$

$$M = (1 \ 0 \ 0)$$

$$P = (0 \ 0 \ 0)$$

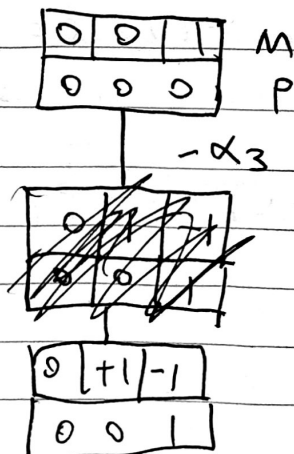
need  $M+P > 0$  for a subtraction.  
to be allowed.

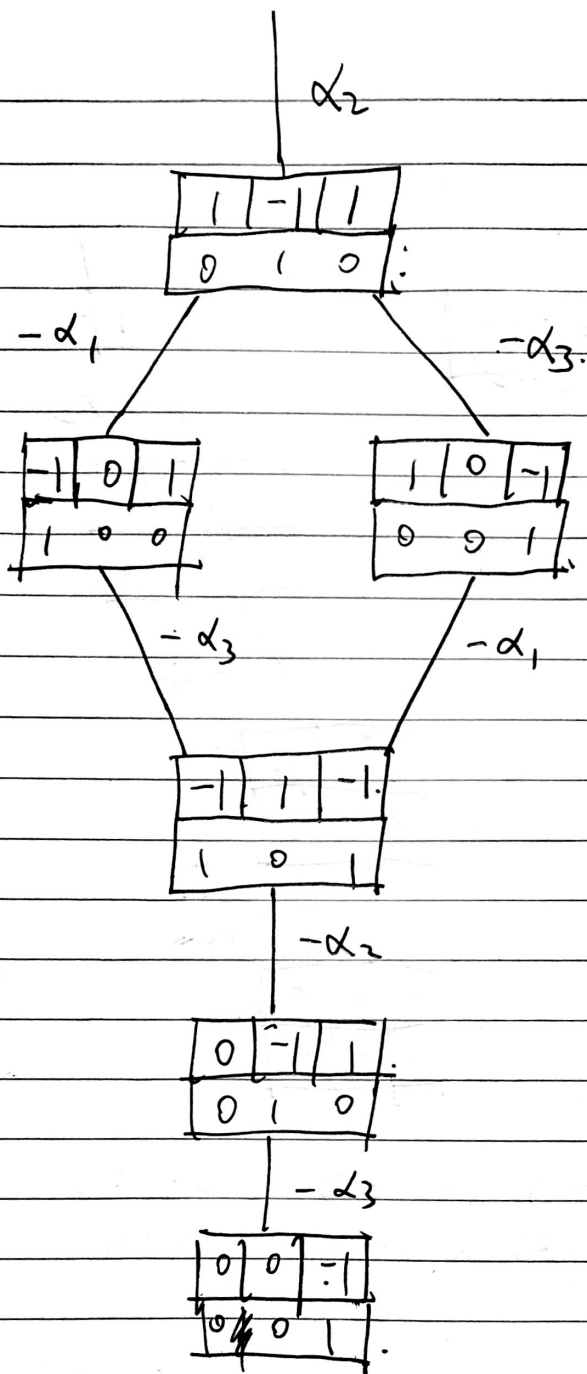




$$\therefore \begin{array}{ccc} (100) & (-110) & (0-12) & (000) \\ (01-2) & (1-10) & (-100) & \end{array}$$

c) For highest weight  $(001)$





$$\begin{matrix} (001) & (01-1) & (1-11) & (-101) \\ (10-1) & (-11-1) & (0-11) & (00-1) \end{matrix}$$

d)

$$P(SO(4) \subset SO(7)) = P(A_3 \subset B_3)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Action of P

|           |                   |          |
|-----------|-------------------|----------|
| $SO(7)$   | $\xrightarrow{P}$ | $SU(4)$  |
| $(001)$   | $\rightarrow$     | $(001)$  |
| $(01-1)$  | $\rightarrow$     | $(0100)$ |
| $(1-11)$  | $\rightarrow$     | $(-110)$ |
| $(-101)$  | $\rightarrow$     | $(0-11)$ |
| $(10-1)$  | $\rightarrow$     | $(01-1)$ |
| $(-11-1)$ | $\rightarrow$     | $(1-10)$ |
| $(0-11)$  | $\rightarrow$     | $(-100)$ |
| $(00-1)$  | $\rightarrow$     | $(00-1)$ |

$\therefore (001)$  of  $SO(7)$  branches into reps of  $SU(4)$  with weights.

|                 |  |                       |
|-----------------|--|-----------------------|
| $(100)$         |  | $(001)$               |
| $(-110)$        |  | $(01-1)$              |
| $(0-11)$        |  | $(1-10)$              |
| $(00-1)$        |  | $(-100)$              |
| $\underline{4}$ |  | $\underline{\bar{4}}$ |

$\Rightarrow (001) SO(7) \rightarrow \underline{4} + \underline{\bar{4}} (SU(4))$

