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NON-SOLVABLE GROUPS

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Lemma (Marciniak, Ritter, Sehgal, Weiss 1987;
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Let $u \in V(\mathbb{Z}G)$ be of finite order. Then u is conjugate to an element of G in $\mathbb{Q}G \Leftrightarrow \varepsilon_g(u) \geq 0$ for every $g \in G$.

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Multiplicity of ξ^ℓ as an eigenvalue of $D(u)$ is given by

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq 1}} \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta^d)/\mathbb{Q}}(\chi(u^d)\zeta^{-d\ell}) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x \in G} \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta)/\mathbb{Q}}(\chi(x)\zeta^{-\ell}) \varepsilon_x(u)$$

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- ▶ R the ring of interges of K with maximal ideal P containing p
- ▶ L an RG -lattice affording D
- ▶ $k = R/P$, the quotient field, and $\bar{}$ the reduction mod P

Proposition

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Easiest case: K/\mathbb{Q}_p unramified, $o(u) = p$.

Precisely three indecomposable $R\langle u \rangle$ -lattices: R , $I(RC_p)$, RC_p of rank 1, $p-1$, p , respectively, with corresponding eigenvalues $\{1\}$, $\{\xi, \dots, \xi^{p-1}\}$, $\{1, \xi, \dots, \xi^{p-1}\}$, where ξ is a primitive p -th root of unity. The reduction of any such lattice modulo P stays indecomposable.

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