RATIONALITY OF GROUPS AND CENTERS OF INTEGRAL GROUP RINGS

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NOTATION.

- G finite group
- $\mathbb{Z}G$ integral group ring of G
- $U(\mathbb{Z}G)$ group of units of $\mathbb{Z}G$



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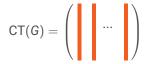
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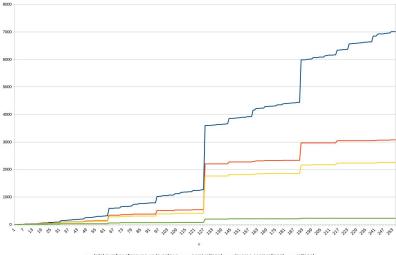
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$$\xrightarrow{\nearrow} \qquad \stackrel{\swarrow}{\longrightarrow}$$
often up to f.i. covered by "bi-
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Strategy of proof.

- $\pi(G) \subseteq \{2, 3, 5, 7, 13\}$ (Chillag-Dolfi).
- Let G be a minimal counterexample, $V \leq G$ minimal.
- Then $G \simeq V \rtimes G/V$, G/V is again cut.
- The $\mathbb{F}_{13}[G/V]$ -module V has the "12-eigenvalue property".
- Derive restrictions on field of character values of V.
- By a result of Farias e Soares such a module cannot exist for a solvable group G/V.



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Conversely, for each of the above structure descriptions, there is a unique cut Frobenius group.

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(a) *F* is a cut 2-group.

In particular, $|F| = 2^{2a}$, $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ and F is an extension of an abelian group of exponent a divisor of 4 by an an abelian group of exponent a divisor of 4.

(b) *F* is an extension of an elementary abelian 7-group by an elementary abelian 7-group, $\exp F = 7$ and σ fixes each cyclic subgroup of *F*. Strategy of proof. G cut Frobenius group with complement K.

- K is also cut.
- Show that *K* is solvable, so $\pi(G) \subseteq \{2, 3, 5, 7\}$.
- Determine possible structures of $P \in Syl_p(K)$.
- Determine possible structures of *K*.
- ► Use irreducible representations of these complements to describe structure of some *G*.
- Decide which subdirect products of the groups above are cut Frobenius groups.

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