

Representation Theory Exercises — Sheet 9

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In this exercise sheet, G denotes a finite group.

Exercise 35: Let K be a field. Let V be a simple KG -module and $N \trianglelefteq G$. Let W be a simple KN -submodule of V . Prove that every KN -module conjugate to W occurs with the same multiplicity as W as a KN -submodule of V .

Exercise 36 (Relative projectivity with respect to a KG -module):

Let K be a field and let V be a fixed KG -module. A KG -module M is called V -projective if there exists a KG -module N such that M is isomorphic to a direct summand of $V \otimes N$ (as usual, \otimes denotes the tensor product over K). Denote by $\text{Proj}(V)$ the collection of all V -projective KG -modules. Let U be another KG -module.

- (a) Prove that M is projective relative to the subgroup $H \leq G$ if and only if M is K^G -projective, where K is the trivial KH -module.
- (b) Prove that:
 - (i) $\text{Proj}(U \oplus V) = \text{Proj}(U) \oplus \text{Proj}(V)$;
 - (ii) $\text{Proj}(U \otimes V) = \text{Proj}(U) \cap \text{Proj}(V)$; and
 - (iii) $\text{Proj}(V) = \text{Proj}(V^*) = \text{Proj}(V \oplus V)$.
- (c) Prove that $M \in \text{Proj}(V)$ if and only if M is a direct summand of $V^* \otimes V \otimes M$.
[Hint: remember the trace map introduced in Exercise 28]
- (d) Prove that if $K \in \text{Proj}(V)$, then every KG -module M is V -projective.

Exercise 37: Suppose that K is an algebraically closed field of characteristic $p > 0$. Let $H \trianglelefteq G$, and let V be an indecomposable KH -module with *inertia subgroup* T , that is,

$$T = \{g \in G \mid gV = V\}.$$

Prove that the following are equivalent:

- (a) V^G is an indecomposable KG -module.

(b) V^T is an indecomposable KT -module.

(c) T/H is a p -group.

Exercise 38: Let K be a field of characteristic $p > 0$, and let V be an indecomposable KG -module of dimension not divisible by p . Prove that the vertices of V are the Sylow p -subgroups of G .

Exercise 39: Let K be a field, let $H \leq G$, and let V be an indecomposable KG -module such that $V|_{(K_H)^G}$. Prove that V has a trivial source.