

Theorem XII

Any irreducible representation of a finite group is finite-dimensional.

Proof: •  $(\mathcal{G}, V)$  is irrep,  $x \in V$  arbitrary

$\mathcal{G} \cdot x = \{T(g)x \mid g \in \mathcal{G}\}$  is finite-dim set of vectors from  $V$

$\Rightarrow \text{span}(\mathcal{G} \cdot x) \subset V$  is finite-dim invar. subspace of  $V$

•  $(\mathcal{G}, V)$  irrep  $\Rightarrow \text{span}(\mathcal{G} \cdot x) = V \Rightarrow \dim V < +\infty \quad \square$

UNITARY REPRESENTATIONS

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- Hilbert space: • vect. space  $\mathcal{H}$  with an inner (dot) product
- it is complete with respect to the metric induced by the inner product  
(Cauchy sequence is convergent within  $\mathcal{H}$ )
- it is separable (each  $y \in \mathcal{H}$  is a limit of some sequence from a countable subset  $M \subset \mathcal{H}$  ( $\Rightarrow$  f countable basis))

unitary operators:

- for bounded operators ( $\exists K \in \mathbb{R} : \|U\varphi\| \leq K\|\varphi\| \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{H}$ ) it is possible to define conjugation:

$$\langle \varphi | A^+ \varphi \rangle = \langle A\varphi | \varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{H}$$

- then for invertible bounded ops we can define unitarity:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi | \varphi \rangle &= \langle U\varphi | U\varphi \rangle = \langle \varphi | U^+U\varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{H} \\ \Leftrightarrow U^+U &= 1 \quad \& \exists U^{-1} \Rightarrow U^{-1} = U^+ \Rightarrow UU^+ = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Def: Unitary repres of  $\mathcal{G}$  is a repres on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  such that every  $g \in \mathcal{G}$  is represented by an unitary operator  $U(g)$ :

$$U(g)^+ U(g) = U(g) U(g)^+ = 1 \quad (\Leftrightarrow \langle U(g)\varphi | U(g)\varphi \rangle = \langle \varphi | \varphi \rangle \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G} \quad \& \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{H})$$

Def: Matrix unitary repres is such that every element  $g \in G$  is represented by an unitary matrix

$$D(g)^{-1} = D(g)^+$$

### Theorem XIII

Every finite-dimensional reducible unitary repres  $(\rho, \mathcal{H})$  of a group  $G$  is completely reducible.

Proof: •  $\rho$  reducible  $\Rightarrow \exists \mathcal{H}_1 \subset \mathcal{H}$  nontriv. inv. subspace

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1^\perp = \mathcal{H} | \mathcal{H}_1$  is also invariant:

- $\psi \in \mathcal{H}_1^\perp \Rightarrow \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \psi \in \mathcal{H}_1$

- $U(g)\psi \in \mathcal{H}_1^\perp : \langle \psi | U(g)\psi \rangle = \langle U(g)U(g)^\dagger\psi | U(g)\psi \rangle$

$$= \langle U(g^{-1})\psi | U(g)^\dagger U(g)\psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 0$$

$\mathcal{H}_1$  inv.  $\Rightarrow U(g^{-1})\psi \in \mathcal{H}_1$

- if  $\mathcal{H}_1$  or  $\mathcal{H}_1^\perp$  are further reducible then the same decomposition can be repeated until complete reducibility ... provided  $\dim \mathcal{H} < +\infty$

□

Note: ZD-repres  $(\mathbb{R}^+, \circ)$  is not unitary  $\Rightarrow$  Th. does not apply

### Theorem XIV

Every finite-dim representation of a finite or compact Lie group is equivalent to some unitary representation.

NB: we do not require the Repres space to be a Hilbert space!

Proof (hint):

- every finite-dim vect. space  $\sim \mathbb{R}^n$  or  $\mathbb{C}^n$
- $\Rightarrow$  it is possible to select basis  $\{\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n\}$

$$\Rightarrow x = x^i \ell_i \quad \forall x \in V$$

$\Rightarrow \langle x | y \rangle \equiv (x^i)^* y^i$  is a legal inner product:

- $\cdot \langle x | y \rangle = \langle y | x \rangle^*$  (conjugate sym.)
- linear in first argument
- $\cdot \langle x | x \rangle > 0 \quad \forall x \in V \setminus \{0\}$  (positive definite)

- if  $(S, V)$  is not unitary with resp. to  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$ , it is possible to construct another inner product

$$\langle x | y \rangle = \frac{1}{\#G} \sum_{g'} \langle T(g)x | T(g)y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow / \text{rearr. theorem} / \Rightarrow \langle T(g)x | T(g)y \rangle = \langle x | y \rangle$$

$\Rightarrow (S, V)$  is unitary with resp. to  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$

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Note: •  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$  is equivalent to  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$  - induces equal topology  
(i.e., open sets on  $V$ )  $\Leftrightarrow$  the same convergent sequences

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < a \leq b : a \langle x | x \rangle \leq \langle x | x \rangle \leq b \langle x | x \rangle \quad \forall x \in V$$

- compact Lie groups = compact smooth manifolds  
 $\equiv$  parameterized by coordinates from a compact  
subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if  $\exists$  global map;  
(compact set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ : closed & bounded)

-  $SO(2), O(n)$  are compact,  $(\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot)$  is not

- for comp. Lie groups  $\exists$  left-invariant measure

$$\exists \int_G dg < +\infty : \int_G f(hg) dg = \int_G f(g) dg \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\#G} \sum_{g'} \rightarrow \frac{1}{|G|} \int_G dg$$

## Theorem XV (Maschke)

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Every finite-dim. reducible repn of a finite (compact Lie) group is completely reducible.

Proof: • combine Th XIV 2 + XIII

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## SCHUR'S LEMMA

Lemma SC1:

Let  $(\rho_1, V_1)$  and  $(\rho_2, V_2)$  be irreducible repns of a group  $G$  & let  $S$  is the intertwining mapping

$$S: V_1 \rightarrow V_2 \quad S T_1(g) v_1 = T_2(g) S v_1 \quad \forall g \in G \quad \forall v_1 \in V_1$$

Then either  $S = 0$  ( $\Leftrightarrow \text{Ker } S = V_1$ ) or  $S$  is isomorphic map  $\Rightarrow \rho_1 \cong \rho_2$ .

Proof: •  $\text{Ker } S$  &  $\text{Im } S$  are invariant subspaces of  $V_1$  &  $V_2$ , resp:

$$\text{a, } v_1 \in \text{Ker } S \Rightarrow S T_1(g) v_1 = T_2(g) S v_1 = 0 \Rightarrow T_1(g) v_1 \in \text{Ker } S$$

$$\text{b, } v_2 \in \text{Im } S \Rightarrow \exists v_1 \in V_1 : v_2 = S v_1$$

$$\Rightarrow T_2(g) v_2 = T_2(g) S v_1 = S T_1(g) v_1 = S v_1' \Rightarrow T_1(g) v_1' \in \text{Im } S$$

•  $V_1$  &  $V_2$  are irreducible  $\Rightarrow$  there are only 2 options:

$$\text{a, } \text{Ker } S = V_1 \text{ & } \text{Im } S = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow S = 0$$

$$\text{b, } \text{Im } S = V_2 \text{ & } \text{Ker } S = \{0\} \Rightarrow S \text{ is bijective:}$$

• surjective by  $\text{Im } S = V_2$

$$\cdot \text{ injective: } S v_1 = S v_1' = v_2 \Rightarrow S(v_1 - v_1') = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 - v_1' \in \text{Ker } S \Rightarrow v_1 - v_1' = 0$$

□

Lemma SL2 (consequence of SL1 for finite-dim irreps) (34)

Let  $(\rho, V)$  be a complex finite-dim irreducible rep of a group  $G$  and  $S$  is intertwining operator on  $V$  ( $S: V \rightarrow V$ ) such that

$$T(g)Sv = ST(g)v \quad \forall g \in G \quad \forall v \in V.$$

Then  $S = \lambda \mathbb{1}$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Proof: • let  $S \neq 0 \Rightarrow \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \exists v \in V: S_{v_\lambda} = \lambda v_\lambda$   
(in a finite dim there always exists a solution  
of a characteristic polynomial in  $\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow$  every  
operator has an eigenvalue)

• eigen-subspace  $V_\lambda \subset V$  corresponding to  $\lambda$   
is invariant under the action of  $G$ :

$$v \in V_\lambda \Rightarrow ST(g)v = T(g)Sv = \lambda T(g)v \Rightarrow T(g)v \in V_\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow /(\rho, V) \text{ irred.} / \Rightarrow V_\lambda = V \Rightarrow S = \lambda \mathbb{1} \quad (Se_i = \lambda e_i \quad \forall e_i \in \text{basis})$$

Note: • in an infinite-dim  $V$  the subspace  $V_\lambda$  need not  
to be closed:  
 $\{v_n\} \subset V_\lambda$  Cauchy sequence in  $V_\lambda$  does not

imply  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n = v \in V_\lambda \Rightarrow ST(g) = T(g)S$

does not imply invariance of  $V_\lambda$

## CONSEQUENCES OF SCHUR LEMMAS

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### Theorem XVI

Complex finite-dim irreducible representations of an Abelian group are one-dimensional.

Proof: •  $(\rho, V)$  finite-dim,  $G$  Abelian  $\Rightarrow$

$$\rho(g)\rho(h) = \rho(h)\rho(g) \quad \forall g, h \in G$$

$$\stackrel{(S \subset \mathbb{C})}{\Rightarrow} \rho(h) = \lambda(h) \mathbb{I} \quad \forall h \in G$$

$\Rightarrow \rho$  is either reducible or 1-dim.  $\square$

Note:  $SO(2)$  is Abelian but we had to move into complex repes space to obtain 1-dim irreps.

### Theorem XVII (Orthogonality relations for matrix representations)

Let  $D^\alpha$  and  $D^\nu$  are two unitary irreducible matrix repes of a finite (compact Lie) group. Dimensions of the representations are  $d_\mu$  &  $d_\nu$ , resp. Let  $D^\alpha$  and  $D^\nu$  are not equivalent for  $\mu \neq \nu$  or identical for  $\mu = \nu$ . Then

$$\sum_g [D^\alpha(g)^*]_i^j D^\nu(g)_\ell^\kappa = \frac{\#G}{d_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{ij} \delta_{\ell\kappa} \quad (*)$$

Proof: •  $B$  is an arbitrary  $d_\mu \times d_\nu$  matrix

$$\Rightarrow A = \sum_g D^\alpha(g^{-1}) B D^\nu(g) \Rightarrow D^\alpha(h) A = A D^\nu(h) \quad \forall h \in G:$$

$$\sum_g D^\alpha(h) D^\alpha(g^{-1}) B D^\nu(g) = / hg^{-1} = g^{-1} \Rightarrow g = gh^{-1} \text{ & rewr. theorem/}$$

$$= \sum_{g'} D^\alpha(g') B D^\nu(g'h) = A D^\nu(h)$$

1,  $D^{\mu}$  not equiv to  $D^{\nu} \Rightarrow /S\subset Z/ \Rightarrow A = 0$  & choose

$$B_k^j = \delta_{jr} \delta_{ks} \text{ for a fixed } r, s$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \sum_{j \in G} \sum_g D^{\mu}(g^{-1})_j^i \delta_{jr} \delta_{ks} D^{\nu}(g)_k^s = \sum_g D^{\mu}(g^{-1})_r^i D^{\nu}(g)_k^s$$

$$\boxed{0 = \sum_g (D^{\mu}(g)_r^i)^* D^{\nu}(g)_k^s \text{ for } \mu \neq \nu}$$

2,  $D^{\mu} \sim D^{\nu} \Rightarrow \exists S: D^{\nu}(g) = S D^{\mu}(g) S^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow D^{\mu}(h) A = A S D^{\mu}(h) S^{-1} \rightarrow D^{\mu}(h) A S = A S D^{\mu}(h)$$

$$\Rightarrow /S \subset Z/ \Rightarrow A S = \lambda \mathbb{1}_{\partial \mu + \partial \mu}$$

$$\cdot \lambda \text{ from } \text{Tr}: \text{Tr}(AS) = \text{Tr}(\lambda) = \text{Tr}\left(\sum_g D^{\mu}(g^{-1}) B S D^{\mu}(g) S^{-1}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\#G}{\#\mu} \text{Tr}(BS) = /B_k^j = \delta_{jr} \delta_{ks} / = \frac{\#G}{\#\mu} B_k^j S_r^s$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \frac{\#G}{\#\mu} S_r^s}$$

$$\cdot A_k^i = \lambda (S^{-1})_k^i = \sum_{j \in G} \sum_g D^{\mu}(g)_j^i \delta_{jr} \delta_{ks} D^{\nu}(g)_k^s$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_g (D^{\mu}(g)_r^i)^* D^{\nu}(g)_k^s = \frac{\#G}{\#\mu} S_r^s (S^{-1})_k^i$$

$$3, \mu = \nu \Rightarrow S_r^s = (S^{-1})_k^i = \delta_{ik}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_g (D^{\mu}(g)_r^i)^* D^{\nu}(g)_k^s = \frac{\#G}{\#\mu} \delta_{ur} \delta_{sr} \delta_{il} \quad \square$$

Direct consequence:  $\sum_{\mu} \#\mu \leq \#G$ :

(\*) is orthogonality relation between  $\#G$ -dim vectors  $(D^{\mu}(g_1)_j^i, \dots, D^{\mu}(g_{\#G})_j^i)$ , which are indexed by  $(\mu, i, j)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  total number of these orthog. vectors is  $\sum_{\mu} \#\mu$  & must be  $\leq \#G$

## CHARACTER OF A REPRESENTATION

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- goal: find a property which will be equal for equiv. repre's and, if possible, different for non-equiv. repre's (the second goal will be met only for finite groups)

→ for matrix repre, we are looking for invariants with resp. to similarity transforms

a, all eigenvalues

b,  $\text{Tr}$

Def: Let  $(\rho, V)$  be a repre of a gr.  $G$  on a finite-dim.  $V$  and let  $D$  be a corresp. matrix repre in some basis. Then the function  $\chi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$g \mapsto \text{Tr } D(g)$$

is called character of a representation (also character system) and the number  $\chi(g) = \text{Tr } D(g)$  is character of an element  $g \in G$  in a repre  $(\rho, V)$ .

Notes:

- $\chi(g') = \chi(g) \quad \forall g' \in (g) \quad \Leftarrow \text{Tr}(ABC) = \text{Tr}(CAB)$   
⇒ character of an element is character of the whole class
- $\chi$  is equal for all equiv. repre's  $\Leftrightarrow$  it is a characteristic of the equivalence class
- equal  $\chi$  does not imply equiv. repre:  
 $(\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot)$ :  $D(g) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  not equiv. to  $\tilde{D}(g) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & g \end{pmatrix}$
- for finite groups, we will show  $\chi = \chi' \Rightarrow D \sim D'$
- $\chi(e) = \dim V \quad (\Leftarrow D(e) = \text{Id})$
- $\chi(g^{-1}) = \chi(g)^*$  for finite-dim repre ( $\Leftarrow$  Th. XIV & equivalence to a unitary repre.)

- Character of a reducible representation (block-diag. matrices) \completely (38)

$$\boxed{D(g) = \bigoplus_i D^i(g) \Rightarrow \chi(g) = \sum_i \chi^i(g)}$$

Theorem XVII (orthog. relations for  $\chi$ )

Let  $\chi^\mu$  and  $\chi^\nu$  be characters of two IRREPs of a finite (or compact Lie) group on a complex finite-dim vect. spaces and let the IRREPs are non-equiv for  $\mu \neq \nu$ .

Then

$$\boxed{\sum_g \chi^\mu(g^{-1}) \chi^\nu(g) = \sum_g \chi^\mu(g)^* \chi^\nu(g) = \#G \delta_{\mu\nu}}$$

• for compact Lie groups:  $\sum_g \rightarrow \int_G$

Proof: directly from Th. XVII:

$$\begin{aligned} & \cdot \sum_g D^\mu(g^{-1})_i^j D^\nu(g)_l^k = \frac{\#G}{\alpha_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{il} \delta_{kj} \Rightarrow i=j \text{ & } l=k, \sum_{ik} \Rightarrow \\ & \Rightarrow \sum_g \chi^\mu(g^{-1}) \chi^\nu(g) = \frac{\#G}{\alpha_\mu} \delta_{\mu\nu} \sum_{ki} (\delta_{ik})^2 = \#G \delta_{\mu\nu} \\ & \cdot \chi^\mu(g^{-1}) = \chi^\mu(g)^*: g^\mu \text{~unit. repres} \Rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}_i = \lambda_i^* \text{~for all eigenvalues (eigenvalues of unitary op/matrix are complex units: } |\lambda_i| = 1) \end{aligned}$$

□

Note:

- $\chi(g') = \chi(g) \quad \forall g' \in (g) \Rightarrow$  orthog. relations can be written using characters of classes.

$$\boxed{\sum_{k=1}^{N_c} u_k \chi^\mu(g_k)^* \chi^\nu(g_k) = \#G \delta_{\mu\nu}} \quad (+)$$

- $k = 1, \dots, N_c$  numbers all distinct classes ( $g_k$ )
- $u_k = \#(g_k)$

- direct consequence :  $\#\text{IRREPs} \leq N_c$  (39)
- (+) says that characters of non-equiv. IRREPs form a set of orthog. vectors in  $N_c$ -dim vect. space
- we will prove later that there is in fact " $=$ "

### Theorem XIX:

Let  $G$  be a finite or compact Lie group. Then equality of characters of two representations is sufficient condition for their equivalence.

Proof: 1, let  $\rho^\alpha$  and  $\rho^\beta$  are two non-equiv. IRREPs with equal characters

$$\xrightarrow[\text{non-equiv}]{\text{non-equiv}} \sum_g \chi^\alpha(g)^* \chi^\beta(g) = 0 \quad \& \quad \chi^\alpha(g) = \chi^\beta(g) \forall g$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_g \chi^\alpha(g)^* \chi^\alpha(g) = \#G \quad \checkmark$$

2, let  $\rho^i$  &  $\rho^j$  are reducible  $\Rightarrow$  (Maschke)

$\rightarrow$  they are completely reducible

$$\Rightarrow \rho^i = \bigoplus_{\alpha} n_{\alpha}^i \rho^{\alpha} \quad \rho^j = \bigoplus_{\alpha} n_{\alpha}^j \rho^{\alpha}$$

• here  $\rho^{\alpha}$  are all IRREPs of  $G$ , we already know it is a finite expansion)

•  $\rho^i = \bigoplus_{\alpha} n_{\alpha}^i \rho^{\alpha}$  means that the repel space  $V^i$  contains  $n_{\alpha}^i$ -times repel space  $V^{\alpha}$  as a invol. subspace

$\rightarrow$  in terms of matrices:

$$D^i = \text{diag}(\dots, \underbrace{D_1^{\alpha}, D_2^{\alpha}, \dots, D_{n_{\alpha}^i}^{\alpha}}, \dots)$$

$n_{\alpha}^i$ -times

$$\Rightarrow \chi^i(g) = \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha}^i \chi^{\alpha}(g) \quad \chi^j(g) = \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha}^j \chi^{\alpha}(g)$$

• by assumption,  $\chi^i(g) = \chi^j(g) \nmid g$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{\alpha} (n_{\alpha}^i - n_{\alpha}^j) \chi^{\alpha}(g) = 0 \nmid g$$

$$/ \cdot \chi^{\beta}(g)^*, \sum_{\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \sum_{\alpha} (n_{\alpha}^i - n_{\alpha}^j) \sum_g \chi^{\alpha}(g)^* \chi^{\alpha}(g) = \sum_{\alpha} (n_{\alpha}^i - n_{\alpha}^j) \# G \delta_{\alpha \beta}$$

$$= (n_{\beta}^i - n_{\beta}^j) \# G \Rightarrow n_{\beta}^i - n_{\beta}^j \neq 0$$

$\rightarrow \rho^i$  &  $\rho^j$  has the same decomposition to IRREPs  
 $\Rightarrow \rho^i \sim \rho^j$

□

Note: we have proved also

Theorem XX: Let  $(\rho, V)$  be reducible repn of a finite  
 (complex Lie)  $G$  with decomposition to IRREPs

$$\rho = \bigoplus_{\alpha} u_{\alpha} \rho^{\alpha}$$

Then

$$u_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\#G} \sum_g \chi^{\alpha}(g)^* \chi(g)$$

Note: Th XX implies that the decomposition

$$\rho = \bigoplus_{\alpha} u_{\alpha} \rho^{\alpha}$$
 is unique

# IRREDUCIBLE REPRESENTATIONS OF FINITE GROUPS

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- remember: we know there is only a finite number of them: • #IRREPs  $\leq$  number of distinct classes

$$\cdot \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu}^2 \leq \#G$$

Def: Regular representation of a finite  $G$  is

$$D^r(g_e)_e = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } g_s g_e = g_e \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $\dim D^r = \#G$

- in each row and each col. there is exactly one 1 (rearr.)

- it is indeed a repel:

a)  $g_s = e \Rightarrow 1 \text{ for } g_e = g_e \Rightarrow D^r(e) = 1$

$$\lambda \sum_r D^r(g_r)_e^r D^r(g_s)_m^r = / g_r g_e = g_e \text{ & } g_s g_m = g_e$$

$$\Rightarrow g_r g_s g_m = g_e / = D^r(g_r g_s)_m^r \quad \checkmark$$

- character of  $D^r$ : •  $\chi(e) = \#G$

- $\chi(g \neq e) = 0$  (non-zero elements)

only off-diagonal:  $g_s g_e = g_e \Rightarrow g_s = e$ )

Example:

$e$	$a$	$b$
$a$	$b$	$e$
$b$	$e$	$a$

$$\Rightarrow D^r(e) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^r(a) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^r(b) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem XXI:  $\sum_{\mu} d_{\mu}^r = \#G$  (sum over non-equiv. IRREPs) (42)

Proof: • Maschke  $\Rightarrow D^r$  is completely reducible

$$\Rightarrow D^r = \bigoplus_{\mu} n_{\mu}^r D^{\mu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_{\mu}^r = \frac{1}{\#G} \sum_g X^{\mu}(g)^* X^r(g) = \frac{1}{\#G} X^{\mu}(e)^* X^r(e) = d_{\mu}^r$$

$$\Rightarrow D^r = \bigoplus_{\mu} d_{\mu}^r D^{\mu} \Rightarrow X^r(g) = \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu}^r X^{\mu}(g) \quad /g=e$$

$$\Rightarrow \#G = \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu}^r \quad \square$$

• next we want to prove  $\# \text{IRREPs} = \#(\text{classes})$

Lemma:

Let  $C$  be a set of elements from  $G$  (each element can be incl. multiple times).

$$\text{Then } g C g^{-1} = C \quad \forall g \in G \Leftrightarrow C = \sum_{(g_u)} a_u (g_u) .$$

- $C$  need not be a group
- $\sum$  runs over distinct classes  $(g_u)$
- elements of  $G$  might be included multiple-times
- $a_u \geq 0$   $\Rightarrow$  elements of  $G$  might be included multiple-times in  $C$
- note:  $H \triangleleft G \Rightarrow H$  consists of complete classes.

Proof:  $\Leftarrow g(g_u)g^{-1} = (g_u) \quad : \quad g(hg_u h^{-1})g^{-1} = hg_u h^{-1}$   
 (readr.)

$\Rightarrow g C g^{-1} = C \quad \& \text{ let } C = \sum_{(g_u)} a_u (g_u) + R \text{ such that } \exists a \in R: (a) \notin R$

• since  $g(g_u)g^{-1} = (g_u) \neq (g_a) \quad \forall g \in G \Rightarrow gRg^{-1} = R \quad \forall g \in G$