

① Double centralizer theorem for  $\text{char}(K) = 0$   $\xRightarrow{\text{(Theorem of Maschke)}}$  the group algebra  $K[S_m]$  is semisimple, i.e.  $\forall$  representation of  $S_m$  is completely reducible. Consequently, the homomorphic image of  $K[S_m]$  in  $\text{End}(V^{\otimes m})$ , denoted by  $\langle S_m \rangle$ , is semisimple subalgebra of  $\text{End}(V^{\otimes m})$ . We have the general result (independent of  $\text{char}(K)$ ):

Proposition 1:  $A \subseteq \text{End}(W)$  a semisimple subalgebra,  
 $A' := \{ b \in \text{End}(W) \mid ab = ba \ \forall a \in A \}$  its centralizer.

- Then
- 1/  $A'$  is semi-simple, and  $(A')' = A$ ,
  - 2/  $W$  has a unique decomposition  $W = W_1 \oplus \dots \oplus W_r$  into simple, non-isomorphic  $A \otimes A'$ -modules  $W_i$ . In addition, this is the isotypic decomposition as an  $A$ -mod and as an  $A'$ -mod.
  - 3/  $\forall$  simple summand  $W_i$  is of the form  $U_i \otimes U_i'$  with  $U_i$  a simple  $A$ -mod,  $U_i'$  a simple  $A'$ -mod,  $D_i$  and  $D_i$  is the division algebra  $\text{End}_A(U_i)^{\text{op}} = \text{End}_{A'}(U_i')^{\text{op}}$ .

Note:  $G$ -mod  $W$ , a simple ~~sub~~ module  $U$  ~~is the~~ isotypic component of  $W$  of type  $U$  is the sum of all  $G$ -submodules of  $W$  isomorphic to  $U$ . The isotypic components form a direct sum which is all of  $W$  iff  $W$  is semisimple, and then it is called the isotypic decomposition.

Pf:  $W = W_1 \oplus \dots \oplus W_r$  isotypic decomp. of  $W$  as an  $A$ -module,  
 $W_i \cong U_i^{s_i}$  with simple  $A$ -mod  $U_i$  pairwise nonisomorphic ( $i \neq j$ ).  
 As a semisimple algebra,  $A = \prod_{i=1}^r A_i$  with  $A_i \cong M_{n_i}(D_i)$  for some division algebra  $D_i \supset K$ . Moreover,  $U_i \cong D_i^{n_i}$  as an  $A$ -module, with  $A$ -mod structure on  $D_i^{n_i}$  given by  $A \xrightarrow{\text{pr.}} A_i \cong M_{n_i}(D_i)$ . We have

$$A' := \text{End}_A(W) = \prod_i \text{End}_{A_i}(W_i), \text{ and}$$

$$A'_i := \text{End}_A(W_i) = \text{End}_{A_i}(W_i) \cong M_{s_i}(D_i')$$

with  $D_i' := \text{End}_{A_i}(U_i) = D_i^{\text{op}}$ . In particular,  $A'$  is semisimple

and

$$\dim A_i \cdot \dim A'_i = n_i^2 \dim D_i \cdot s_i^2 \dim D_i' = (n_i s_i)^2 (\dim D_i)^2 = (\dim W_i)^2 = \dim(\text{End}(W_i))$$

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This implies that the homomorphism  $A_i \otimes A_i' \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{End}(W_i)$  is an isomorphism. Because  $A_i \otimes A_i'$  is simple,  $W_i$  is simple  $A \otimes A'$ -module. Namely, regarding  $U_i = D_i^{n_i}$  as a right  $D_i$ -mod, and  $U_i' := (D_i^{op})^{s_i}$  as a left  $D_i$ -module. Then these structures commute with the  $A$ - resp.  $A'$ -module structure, hence  $U_i \otimes_{D_i} U_i'$  is a  $A \otimes A'$ -module such that  $U_i \otimes_{D_i} U_i' \xrightarrow{\sim} U_i^{s_i} \xrightarrow{\sim} W_i$ .

It remains to show  $(A^1)' = A$ . We can apply the same reasoning to  $A^1$  as for  $A$  above, and the dimensional formulas imply  $\dim A_i' \cdot \dim A_i'' = \dim \text{End}(W_i) = \dim A_i \cdot \dim A_i' \quad \forall i$ .

It follows  $\dim A'' = \dim A$ , and since  $A'' \supset A$  we are done.  $\blacksquare$

Exercise 2:  $V \dots$  irred. fin. dim repr. of  $G$ ,  $\text{End}_G(V) = K$ ;  $W \dots$  a fin. dim.  $G$ -mod. Then the lin map  $f: \text{Hom}_G(V, W) \otimes V \rightarrow W$ ,  $\alpha \otimes v \mapsto \alpha(v)$ , is injective and  $G$ -equivariant. Its image is the sum of all simple submodules of  $W$  isomorphic to  $V$ .

### Decomposition of $V^{\otimes m}$

We prove the theorem on centralizing properties of  $\langle S_m \rangle$  and  $\langle GL(V) \rangle$  acting on  $V^{\otimes m}$ .

(Decomposition) Theorem 3:  $\text{char}(K) = 0$ .

1/  $\langle S_m \rangle$  and  $\langle GL(V) \rangle$  are both semisimple and are centralizers of each other.

2/ There is a canonical decomposition of  $V^{\otimes m}$  as an  $S_m \times GL(V)$  module into simple non-isomorphic modules  $V_\lambda$ :

$$V^{\otimes m} = \bigoplus_{\lambda} V_{\lambda}$$

3/  $\forall$  simple factor  $V_{\lambda}$  is of the form  $M_{\lambda} \otimes L_{\lambda}$ , where  $M_{\lambda}$  is a simple  $S_m$ -module and  $L_{\lambda}$  a simple  $GL(V)$ -module. The modules  $M_{\lambda}$  (resp.  $L_{\lambda}$ ) are all non-isomorphic.



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Pf. We already proved  $\langle S_m \rangle' = \langle GL(V) \rangle$ , and so both 1, 2) follow from Proposition 1. For the last statement 3), it remains to show that  $\forall$  simple  $S_m$ -module  $M_\lambda$ ,  $\text{End}_{S_m}(M_\lambda) = K$ . This is clear if  $K$  is alg. closed, for  $K$  arbitrary of charact. zero will be proved later on.  $\square$

$\forall$  irred. repr. of  $S_m$  occurs in  $V^{\otimes m}$  provided  $\dim V \geq m$ , in fact the regular representation of  $S_m$  occurs as a subrepresentation. Let us fix such a representation  $M_\lambda$ . Then

$$L_\lambda = L_\lambda(V) = \text{Hom}_{S_m}(M_\lambda, V^{\otimes m})$$

as a consequence of  $\text{End}_{S_m}(M_\lambda) = K$  (by Schur lemma.) This implies that  $L_\lambda(V)$  is a functor of  $V$ : a linear map  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  determines a linear map  $L_\lambda(\varphi): L_\lambda(V) \rightarrow L_\lambda(W)$  with  $L_\lambda(\varphi \circ \psi) = L_\lambda(\varphi) \circ L_\lambda(\psi)$  and  $L_\lambda(\text{Id}_V) = \text{Id}_{L_\lambda(V)}$ .

For  $M_0 = \text{triv. } S_m\text{-represent.}$

$M_{\text{sgn}} = \text{sign } S_m\text{-represent.}$

} functors  $L_0(V) = S^m(V)$ ,  
 $L_{\text{sgn}}(V) = \Lambda^m(V)$ .

The functor  $L_\lambda$  is called Schur functor.

Remark 4: The endomorphism rings of the simple modules  $L_\lambda, M_\lambda$  are the base field  $K \Rightarrow$  representations are defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ :

$M_\lambda = M_\lambda^{\mathbb{Q}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K$ ,  $L_\lambda = L_\lambda^{\mathbb{Q}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K$  with  $M_\lambda^{\mathbb{Q}}$  simple  $\mathbb{Q}[S_m]$ -modules.  
 $L_\lambda^{\mathbb{Q}}$  simple  $GL(\mathbb{Q})$ -

Exercise 5:  $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V)$  a completely reducible representation.  
 $\forall K'/K$  field extension the represent. of  $G$  on  $V \otimes_K K'$  is completely reducible, too. As a hint prove that because the subalgebra  $A := \langle \rho(G) \rangle \subseteq \text{End}(V)$  is semisimple, the subalgebra  $A \otimes_K K'$  of  $\text{End}(V \otimes_K K')$  is semisimple as well.

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Polarization and restitution

We prove multilinear versions of FFT, in char = 0 and using polarization and restitution.

Multihomogeneous invariants:  $V = V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r$ ,  $\dim V_i/K < \infty$ ,  
 $f \in K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]$  is multihomogeneous of degree  $h = (h_1, \dots, h_r)$  if  
 $f$  is homog. of degree  $h_i$  in  $V_i$ :  $\forall v_1, \dots, v_r \in V_i, t_1, \dots, t_r \in K$   
 $f(t_1 v_1, t_2 v_2, \dots, t_r v_r) = t_1^{h_1} \dots t_r^{h_r} f(v_1, \dots, v_r)$ .

$\forall f$  is uniquely written as  $f = \sum_k f_k$ ,  $f_k =$  multihomogeneous component corresponding to  $h = (h_1, \dots, h_r)$

Therefore,  $K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r] = \bigoplus_{h \in \mathbb{N}^r} K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]_h$   
 $\uparrow$  degree  $h$  multihom. functions

This gives grading on  $K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]$ :

$$K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]_h \cdot K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]_k = K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]_{h+k}$$

$K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]_h$  is stable  $\forall h$  w.r. to the action of linear algebra group  $GL(V_1) \times \dots \times GL(V_r)$ ; if  $V_i$  are representations of  $G$  via  $G \rightarrow GL(V_i)$ , we get

$$K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]^G = \bigoplus_{h \in \mathbb{N}^r} K[V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r]_h^G.$$

( $f$  is an invariant  $\Leftrightarrow \forall$  multihomogeneous component is invariant)

Multilinear invariants of vectors and covectors:  $V^p \oplus V^{*q} \curvearrowright GL(V)$

$f: V^p \oplus V^{*q} \rightarrow K$  a multilinear invariants; if  $f \neq 0$ , we must have  $p=q$ : If we apply  $\lambda \in K^* \subseteq GL(V)$  to  $(v, \varphi) = (v_1, \dots, v_p, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_q)$  we obtain  $(\lambda v_1, \dots, \lambda v_p, \lambda^{-1} \varphi_1, \dots, \lambda^{-1} \varphi_q)$ , hence  $f(\lambda \cdot (v, \varphi)) = \lambda^{p-q} f((v, \varphi))$ .

FFT for  $GL(V)$  claims that the invariants are generated by the contractions  $(i|j)$  defined by  $(i|j)(v, \varphi) = \varphi_j(v_i)$ . Therefore, a multil. invariant of  $V^p \oplus V^{*q}$  is a lin. comb. of products

$$(1|i_1)(2|i_2) \dots (p|i_p), \text{ with } (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p) \rightarrow i_j \text{ a permutation of } (1, 2, \dots, p).$$



⑤ Theorem 6 (Multilinear FFT for  $GL(V)$ ): Assume  $\text{char}(K) = 0$ , then multilinear inv. of  $V^p \otimes V^{*q}$  exists only for  $p=q$ . They are linearly generated by  $f_\sigma := (1 | \sigma(1)) \dots (p | \sigma(p))$ ,  $\sigma \in S_p$ .

(holds in arbitrary characteristic by the work of de Concini & Procesi.)

pf: We shall prove a more general statement:

Claim: The theorem above is equivalent to the previous Theorem stating that  $\text{End}_{GL(V)} V^{\otimes m} = \langle S_m \rangle$ .

Let  $M$  be the multilinear forms on  $V^m \otimes V^{*m}$ . Then

$$M = (\underbrace{V \otimes \dots \otimes V}_m \otimes \underbrace{V^* \otimes \dots \otimes V^*}_m)^* = (W \otimes W^*)^*, \quad W := V^{\otimes m}$$

There is canonical isomorphism  $\alpha: \text{End}(W) \xrightarrow{\sim} (W \otimes W^*)^*$   
 $A \mapsto \alpha(A) (w \otimes \psi) = \psi(Av)$

which is clearly  $GL(W)$ -equivariant. Hence we get a  $GL(V)$

equivariant isomorphism  $\text{End}(V^{\otimes m}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (V^{\otimes m} \otimes V^{*\otimes m})^* = M$

inducing an isomorphism  $\text{End}_{GL(V)}(V^{\otimes m}) \rightarrow M^{GL(V)}$

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 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{invariant} \\ \text{multilinear} \end{array} \right\} \text{ functions}$

The image of  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes m})$  under  $\alpha$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(\sigma) (v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_m \otimes \varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_m) &= (\varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_m) (\sigma \cdot (v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_m)) \\ &= (\varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_m) (v_{\sigma^{-1}(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes v_{\sigma^{-1}(m)}) \\ &= (\varphi_1 | v_{\sigma^{-1}(1)}) (\varphi_2 | v_{\sigma^{-1}(2)}) \dots (\varphi_m | v_{\sigma^{-1}(m)}) \\ &= f_{\sigma^{-1}} (v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_m \otimes \varphi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \varphi_m), \end{aligned}$$

and so  $\alpha \langle S_m \rangle = \langle f_\sigma | \sigma \in S_m \rangle$  and the claim follows.  $\square$

⑥ Multilinear invariants of matrices  $m$  copies of  $\text{End}(V)$ , so  $\text{End}(V)^m$

$\sigma \in S_m$  :  $\sigma = (i_1, \dots, i_k)(j_1, \dots, j_r) \dots (l_1, \dots, l_s)$  product of disjoint cycles

Define a function  $\text{Tr}_\sigma : \text{End}(V)^m \rightarrow K$

$$(A_1, \dots, A_m) \mapsto \text{Tr}_\sigma(A_1, \dots, A_m) :=$$

$$\text{Tr}(A_{i_1} \dots A_{i_k}) \text{Tr}(A_{j_1} \dots A_{j_r}) \dots \text{Tr}(A_{l_1} \dots A_{l_s})$$

where  $\text{Tr}_\sigma$  is a multilinear invariant. It is independent of the presentation of  $\sigma$  as a product of disjoint cycles (exercise, check it.) Now special case of FFT for matrices is

Theorem 7 (Multilinear FFT for matrices)  $\text{char}(K) \neq 0$ , the

multilinear invariants on  $\text{End}(V)^m$  are linearly generated by the functions  $\text{Tr}_\sigma$ ,  $\sigma \in S_m$ .

Pf: