

Multiple Holomorphs and Isomorphism Classes Of Hopf-Galois Structures on Dihedral Extensions

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Hopf-Galois Theory

An extension L/K is Hopf-Galois if there is a K -Hopf algebra H and a K -algebra homomorphism $\mu : H \rightarrow \text{End}_K(L)$ such that

- ▶ $\mu(ab) = \sum_{(h)} \mu(h_{(1)}(a))\mu(h_{(2)})(b)$
- ▶ $L^H = \{a \in L \mid \mu(h)(a) = \epsilon(h)a \ \forall h \in H\} = k$
- ▶ μ induces $l \otimes \mu : L \# H \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{End}_K(L)$

As is known, the Hopf-Galois structures on a Galois extension L/K with $G = \text{Gal}(L/K)$ are in 1-1 correspondence with the regular subgroups $N \leq B = \text{Perm}(G)$ such that $\lambda(G) \leq \text{Norm}_B(N)$, where the Hopf algebra which acts is $H_N = (L[N])^{\lambda(G)}$ the fixed ring under the simultaneous action of G on scalars and on N .

This implies that $|N| = |G|$ but does not necessarily force N to be isomorphic to G , and indeed we may define

$$R(G) = \{N \leq B \mid N \text{ regular and } \lambda(G) \leq \text{Norm}_B(N)\}$$

$$R(G, [M]) = \{N \in R(G) \mid N \cong M\}$$

where $[M]$ represents any group of cardinality $|G|$.

Here however, we will, in fact, consider $R(G, [G])$ as this includes some primordial examples of the N which may arise.

For all G , we have $N = \rho(G) \in R(G, [G])$ since $\lambda(G)$ centralizes $\rho(G)$ and thus certainly normalizes it, where $H_{\rho(G)} \cong K[G]$ the group ring, i.e. the canonical action by virtue of G being the Galois group of L/K .

If G is non-abelian then $\lambda(G) \neq \rho(G)$ and since $\lambda(G)$ obviously normalizes itself we have $\lambda(G) \in R(G, [G])$ where $H_{\lambda(G)} = H_\lambda$ is the so-called *canonical non-classical* structure.

The relationship we focus on, as exemplified by $\lambda(G)$ and $\rho(G)$, is that

$$\text{Norm}_B(\rho(G)) = \text{Norm}_B(\lambda(G)) = \text{Hol}(G)$$

which leads to the discussion of the *multiple holomorph* of G .

For $\lambda(G) \leq B = \text{Perm}(G)$, one can ask for what other regular subgroups $N \leq B$ have the same normalizer, (holomorph) as G , namely $\text{Hol}(N) = \text{Hol}(G)$.

The equality implies that $N \leq \text{Hol}(G)$ and $\lambda(G) \leq \text{Hol}(N)$.

If we restrict our attention to those N which are isomorphic to G then N is a conjugate of $\lambda(G)$ by regularity.

So for such an N , where $\tau \in B$ is such that $\tau\lambda(G)\tau^{-1} = N$ then

$$\begin{aligned}\tau \text{Norm}_B(\lambda(G))\tau^{-1} &= \text{Norm}_B(\tau\lambda(G)\tau^{-1}) \\ &= \text{Norm}_B(N) \\ &= \text{Norm}_B(\lambda(G))\end{aligned}$$

which means $\tau \in \text{Norm}_B(\text{Hol}(G))$, and the converse is true as well.

Let us make a few definitions:

$$NHol(G) = Norm_B(Hol(G)) = Norm_B(Norm_B(\lambda(G)))$$

the multiple holomorph of G

$$T(G) = NHol(G)/Hol(G)$$

$$\mathcal{H}(G) = \{N \text{ regular} \mid N \cong G \text{ and } Hol(N) = Hol(G)\}$$

We observe that $\mathcal{H}(G) \subseteq R(G, [G])$, and the virtue of this is that $\mathcal{H}(G)$ (for many different G) may be readily enumerated.

We have the following basic fact(s) about $T(G)$ and $\mathcal{H}(G)$.

Proposition

Given the above definitions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Orb}_{T(G)}(\lambda(G)) &= \mathcal{H}(G) \\ &= \{N \text{ regular} \mid N \cong G \text{ and } N \triangleleft \text{Hol}(G)\} \\ &= \text{Orb}_{T(G)}(N) \text{ for any } N \in \mathcal{H}(G) \end{aligned}$$

and in particular $|T(G)| = |\mathcal{H}(G)|$.

The multiple holomorph of finite abelian groups was determined by G.A. Miller [4] in the early 1900's and what was ultimately discovered was that $|T(G)|$ is trivial if G has odd order, and $|T(G)| \leq 4$ in general.

Indeed, for many groups $|T(G)| = 2$, i.e. $\mathcal{H}(G) = \{\lambda(G), \rho(G)\}$, for example, if G is a non-abelian simple group, or complete.

Since then $T(G)$ has been computed for other classes of groups, by Caranti for perfect groups [1], and p-groups of class two [2], and the presenter [3] for the case of dihedral groups.

And indeed, for our discussion, we shall focus on the case where $G \cong D_n$.

We examine the case where $G \cong D_n$ for $n \geq 3$ since both $\mathcal{H}(G)$ and $T(G)$ are worked out in detail in [3].

We present the n -th dihedral group as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \{x, t \mid x^n = 1, t^2 = 1, xt = tx^{-1}\} \\ &= \{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-1}, t, tx, tx^2, \dots, tx^{n-1}\} \end{aligned}$$

and we also have a presentation of $Aut(D_n)$.

Proposition

For $n \geq 3$ with $D_n = \{t^a x^b \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}_2; b \in \mathbb{Z}_n\}$ and letting $U_n = \mathbb{Z}_n^*$,

(a) $\text{Aut}(D_n) = \{\phi_{i,j} \mid i \in \mathbb{Z}_n; j \in U_n\}$ where

$$\phi_{i,j}(t^a x^b) = t^a x^{ia+jb}$$

$$\phi_{i_2, j_2} \circ \phi_{i_1, j_1} = \phi_{i_2 + j_2 i_1, j_2 j_1}$$

$$\phi_{(0,1)} = I \text{ the identity}$$

(b) $\text{Aut}(D_n) \cong \text{Hol}(\mathbb{Z}_n)$

The groups in $\mathcal{H}(D_n)$ are subgroups of $Hol(D_n)$ where typical elements have the form

$$(t^a x^b, \phi_{i,j})$$

and if we make the identification $\rho(t^i x^j) = (t^i x^j, I) \in Hol(D_n)$ then since $\lambda(D_n)$ is the centralizer of $\rho(D_n)$ we have

$$\lambda(t^i x^j) = (t, \phi_{(0,-1)})^i (x, \phi_{(2,1)})^j$$

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The description of $\mathcal{H}(D_n)$ is given in [3, Theorem 2.11]

Theorem

$$\mathcal{H}(D_n) = \{ \langle (x, \phi_{(u+1,1)}), (t, \phi_{(0,-u)}) \rangle \mid u \in \Upsilon_n \}$$

where

$$\Upsilon_n = \{ u \in U_n \mid u^2 = 1 \}$$

the group of exponent 2 units mod n.

The size and structure of the group Υ_n is basically determined by the number of quadratic residues of n , which in turn is keyed to the number of prime divisors of n vis-a-vis the Chinese Remainder Theorem, and is given below.

Lemma

$$\text{For } n = 2^e p_1^{f_1} p_2^{f_2} \cdots p_r^{f_r}, \Upsilon_n \cong \begin{cases} (\mathbb{Z}_2)^r & e \leq 1 \\ (\mathbb{Z}_2)^{r+1} & e = 2 \\ (\mathbb{Z}_2)^{r+2} & e \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

For $u \in \Upsilon_n$ let

$$\begin{aligned} N_u &= \langle (x, \phi_{(u+1,1)}), (t, \phi_{(0,-u)}) \rangle \\ &= \langle x_u, t_u \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and we note that $N_{-1} = \rho(D_n)$ and $N_1 = \lambda(D_n)$.

More generally, by [3, Corollary 1.13] we have, for any $N_u \in \mathcal{H}(D_n)$, that $N_u^{opp} = \text{Cent}_B(N_u) = N_{-u}$.

As we wish to consider the fixed rings $H_N = (L[N])^G$ where the G acting on N is $\lambda(G)$ of course, we have the following, which also comes from [3]. If we let $r = x_1 = \lambda(x)$ and $f = t_1 = \lambda(t)$ then

Proposition

$\lambda(D_n) = \langle r, f \rangle$ acts on $N_u = \langle x_u, t_u \rangle$ as follows:

$$rx_u r^{-1} = x_u$$

$$rt_u r^{-1} = t_u x_u^{-(u+1)}$$

$$fx_u f^{-1} = x_u^{-u}$$

$$ft_u f^{-1} = t_u$$

Our next question is, what about the potential isomorphisms that may exist between the H_{N_u} as K -algebras?

For this, we begin by constructing a basis for H_{N_u} which will allow us to analyze the basic structure of them as rings.

For $u \in \Upsilon_n$ let

$$\begin{aligned} N_u &= \langle (x, \phi_{(u+1,1)}), (t, \phi_{(0,-u)}) \rangle \\ &= \langle x_u, t_u \rangle \end{aligned}$$

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As to the case where n is even. We can utilize the enumeration discussed earlier this week.

Those N where $Norm_B(N) \leq W(X_0, Y_0)$, can be parameterized as $N_{u,v}$ where $u \in \Upsilon_n$ and $v = 1$, and, if $8|n$ also for $v = \frac{n}{2} + 1$ where $N_{u,1} = N_u \in \mathcal{H}(D_n)$.

For our purposes, the we can focus on how $\lambda(D_n)$ acts on the characteristic index 2 subgroup which we can denote $K_{u,v} = \langle k_{u,v} \rangle$. For $r = \lambda(x)$ and $f = \lambda(t)$ we have

Proposition

$\lambda(D_n) = \langle r, f \rangle$ acts on $K_{u,v} = \langle k_{u,v} \rangle$ as follows:

$$r k_{u,v} r^{-1} = k_{u,v}^v$$

$$f k_{u,v} f^{-1} = k_{u,v}^u$$

With this in mind, we can establish the following:

Theorem

If n even, and $\text{Norm}_B(N) \leq W(X_0, Y_0)$ where $N = N_{u,v}$ for $u \in \Upsilon_n$ and $v = 1$ or $v = \frac{n}{2} + 1$ one has that there is no $\lambda(D_n)$ invariant isomorphism $\psi : N_{u_1, v_1} \rightarrow N_{u_2, v_2}$ unless $u_1 = u_2$ and $v_1 = v_2$.

Proof.

If $K_{u_i, v_i} = \langle k_{u_i, v_i} \rangle$ are the index 2 characteristic subgroups then any such $\psi : N_{u_1, v_1} \rightarrow N_{u_2, v_2}$ must map $k_{u_1, v_1} \mapsto k_{u_2, v_2}^w$ for some $w \in U_n$. However, by virtue of how $\lambda(D_n)$ acts, this would require

$$v_1 w \equiv v_2 w$$

$$u_1 w \equiv u_2 w$$

which, since $w \in U_n$ implies $u_1 = u_2$ and $v_1 = v_2$. □

Corollary

For n even, and N such that $\text{Norm}_B(N) \leq W(X_0, Y_0)$ no two of the resulting fixed rings $(L[N])^{D_n}$ are isomorphic as Hopf-algebras.

For those N where $Norm_B(N) \leq W(X_1, Y_1)$, we have that $N = N_{v,r}$ where $v \in \Upsilon_n$ and $r \in \mathbb{Z}_n - \langle 2 \rangle$.

Again we can focus on how $\lambda(D_n)$ acts on the characteristic index 2 subgroup which we can denote $K_{v,r} = \langle k_{v,r} \rangle$, specifically For $r = \lambda(x)$ and $f = \lambda(t)$ we have

Proposition

$\lambda(D_n) = \langle r, f \rangle$ acts on $K_{v,r} = \langle k_{v,r} \rangle$ as follows:

$$rk_{v,r}r^{-1} = k_{v,r}^v$$

$$fk_{v,r}f^{-1} = k_{v,r}^{-1}$$

And in a similar fashion to the previous example, we can conclude that

Theorem

For $N_{v,r}$ as above, if $v_1 \neq v_2$ then N_{v_1,r_1} is not $\lambda(D_n)$ -isomorphic to N_{v_2,r_2} and therefore the resulting fixed rings are not isomorphic as Hopf algebras.

For later reference, we can determine $N_u \cap \rho(D_n)$ as this determines $G(H_{N_u})$.

Proposition

For $N_u = \langle x_u, t_u \rangle \in \mathcal{H}(D_n)$ we have

$$N_u \cap \rho(D_n) = \langle x_u^{\frac{n}{\gcd(u+1, n)}} \rangle$$

which equals $\langle x_{-1}^{\frac{n}{\gcd(u+1, n)}} \rangle$ a cyclic group of order $\gcd(u+1, n)$.

Notation: As we will use it throughout the subsequent discussion we set $d_u = \gcd(u+1, n)$ for $u \in \Upsilon_n$, and also define $m_u = \frac{n}{d_u}$.

Basis for H_{N_u}

For a given regular N normalized by $\lambda(G)$, a basis for $H_N = (L[N])^G$ can be given that is universal in that it is defined for any L/K and N .

Proposition

Let $\alpha \in L$ be a normal basis generator for L/K with the property that $\text{tr}(\alpha) = 1$. Let N be a regular subgroup of $B = \text{Perm}(G)$ which is normalized by $\lambda(G)$. If for each $n \in N$ we define

$$v_n = \sum_{g \in G} g(\alpha) \lambda(g) n \lambda(g)^{-1}$$

then the set $\{v_n\}$ is a basis for $H_N = (L[N])^G$.

Proof:

We begin by verifying that each v_n lies in H .

Let $t \in G$ and observe

$$\begin{aligned}t(v_n) &= \sum_{g \in G} t(g(\alpha))\lambda(t)\lambda(g)n\lambda(g)^{-1}\lambda(t)^{-1} \\ &= \sum_{g \in G} (tg)(\alpha)\lambda(tg)n\lambda(tg)^{-1} \\ &= v_n\end{aligned}$$

so that $v_n \in H$.

Note that $v_{e_N} = e_N$ where e_N is the identity of N .

As there are $|N| = |G| = \dim_k(H)$ different v_n we prove that they are a basis for H by proving linear independence. For computational convenience let

$$\pi^{-1}(m) = \{(g, n) \in G \times N \mid \lambda(g)n\lambda(g)^{-1} = m\}$$

and suppose now that $\sum_{n \in N} c_n v_n = 0$ for $c_n \in k$, that is

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{n \in N} \sum_{g \in G} c_n g(\alpha) \lambda(g)n\lambda(g)^{-1} \\ &= \sum_{m \in N} \left(\sum_{(g,n) \in \pi^{-1}(m)} c_n g(\alpha) \right) m \end{aligned}$$

which means that for each $m \in N$ we have

$$\sum_{(g,n) \in \pi^{-1}(m)} c_n g(\alpha) = 0 \tag{1}$$

but does this imply that each c_n in this sum is zero?

Since $\lambda(G)$ normalizes N then each $\lambda(g)$ acts as an automorphism of N .

As such, if $(g, n_1), (g, n_2) \in \pi^{-1}(m)$ then one must have $n_1 = n_2$ and therefore, for all the $(g, n) \in \pi^{-1}(m)$, the g 's are all distinct.

As such the left hand side of (1) is a linear combination of *distinct* $g(\alpha)$ which means that for each $(g, n) \in \pi^{-1}(m)$ one has $c_n = 0$.

And since this holds true for all $m \in N$ then all $c_n = 0$.



We have complete information on how $\lambda(D_n) = N_1$ conjugates elements of N_u and thus may start constructing the v_n bases for each $n = t_u^i x_u^j \in N_u$.

We define $F = L^{\langle r \rangle}$ and for α a normal basis generator of L/K , we define $\beta = \text{tr}_{L/F}(\alpha) = \sum_{b=0}^{n-1} r^b(\alpha)$.

We also observe that $1 = \text{tr}_{L/K}(\alpha) = \text{tr}_{F/K}(\text{tr}_{L/F}(\alpha)) = \beta + f(\beta)$ which we will use below.

Notation: As we will use it throughout the subsequent discussion we set $d_u = \gcd(u + 1, n)$ for $u \in \Upsilon_n$, and also define $m_u = \frac{n}{d_u}$.

For $x_u^j \in N_u$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}v_{x_u^j} &= \sum_{a=0}^1 \sum_{b=0}^{n-1} (f^a r^b(\alpha))(f^a r^b)x_u^j (f^a r^b)^{-1} \\&= \sum_{b=0}^{n-1} (r^b(\alpha))x_u^j + (f r^b(\alpha))x_u^{-uj} \\&= \text{tr}_{L/F}(\alpha)x_u^j + f(\text{tr}_{L/F}(\alpha))x_u^{-uj} \\&= \beta x_u^j + f(\beta)x_u^{-uj} \\&= \beta x_u^j + (1 - \beta)x_u^{-uj}\end{aligned}$$

and we observe that, $v_{x_u^j} = x_u^j$ if and only if $j = -uj$ which is equivalent to $j(u+1) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$, namely $j \in \langle m_u \rangle$. i.e. $N_u \cap \rho(D_n)$.

For $t_u x_u^j \in N_u$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_{t_u x_u^j} &= \sum_{a=0}^1 \sum_{b=0}^{n-1} (f^a r^b(\alpha))(f^a r^b) t_u x_u^j (f^a r^b)^{-1} \\
 &= \sum_{b=0}^{n-1} r^b(\alpha) r^b(t_u x_u^j) r^{-b} + (f r^b(\alpha))(f r^b) t_u x_u^j (f r^b)^{-1} \\
 &= \sum_{b=0}^{n-1} r^b(\alpha) t_u x_u^{j-b(u+1)} + f r^b(\alpha) t_u x_u^{b(u+1)-uj}
 \end{aligned}$$

Looking at the coefficients and group element exponents in the above sum, we see the appearance of $j - b(u + 1)$ and $b(u + 1) - uj$ as b varies over \mathbb{Z}_n .

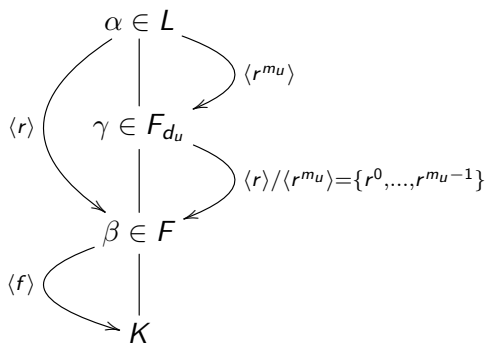
Proposition

For $m_u = \frac{n}{d_u}$ as defined earlier, if $b \equiv b' \pmod{m_u}$ then $j - b(u+1) \equiv j - b'(u+1) \pmod{n}$, and $b(u+1) - uj \equiv b'(u+1) - uj \pmod{n}$.

As such, if we define $W_e = \{t \in \mathbb{Z}_n \mid t \equiv e \pmod{m_u}\}$ for $e = 0..m_u - 1$ then $\mathbb{Z}_n = W_0 \cup W_1 \cdots \cup W_{m_u-1}$, where, in fact, $W_0 = \langle m_u \rangle$ and $W_e = W_0 + e$.

For $\langle r^{m_u} \rangle \leq \text{Gal}(L/K)$ and $F_{d_u} = L^{\langle r^{m_u} \rangle}$ let $\gamma = \text{tr}_{L/F_{d_u}}(\alpha) = \sum_{l \in W_0} r^l(\alpha)$.

We have then:



and ultimately

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_{t_u x_u^j} &= \sum_{b=0}^{n-1} r^b(\alpha) t_u x_u^{j-b(u+1)} + f r^b(\alpha) t_u x_u^{b(u+1)-uj} \\
 &= \sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} r^e(\gamma) t_u x_u^{j-e(u+1)} + \sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} f(r^e(\gamma)) t_u x_u^{-uj+e(u+1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Another worthwhile point to consider is that since $\beta = \text{tr}_{L/F}(\alpha)$, then $F = K(\beta)$ and β is actually a normal basis generator of F/K where $f(\beta) = 1 - \beta$.

As such $\text{irr}_K(\beta) = x^2 + ax + s$, and since $f(\beta) = 1 - \beta$ then we must have $a = -1$ so that $\beta = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-4s}}{2}$.

Similarly, since $\langle r^{m_u} \rangle$ is characteristic in $\langle r \rangle$ then $\langle r^{m_u} \rangle \triangleleft \text{Gal}(L/K)$.

As such, since $\gamma = \text{tr}_{L/F_d}(\alpha)$ then γ is a normal basis generator of F_{d_u}/F and $F_{d_u} = F(\gamma)$.

If $n = p$ a prime, then a bit of simplification takes place in that $\Upsilon_p = \{\pm 1\}$ where $u = -1$ still corresponds to the group ring $H_{\rho}(D_p)$ and $u = 1$ corresponds to the canonical non-classical structure $H_{\lambda}(D_p)$.

And in particular, for $u = 1$ we have $d_1 = \gcd(2, p) = 1$ and $m_1 = p/1 = p$ so that $F_{d_1} = L$, i.e. $\gamma = \alpha$ and

$$v_{x_1^j} = \beta x_1^j + (1 - \beta)x_1^{-j}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1^j} = \sum_{e=0}^{p-1} r^e(\alpha) t_1 x_1^{j-2e} + \sum_{e=0}^{p-1} f(r^e(\alpha)) t_1 x_1^{2e-j}$$

Multiplying Basis Vectors of H_{N_u}

Let us consider how these basis elements multiply with each other. For example

$$\begin{aligned}v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{x_u^k} &= (\beta x_u^j + (1 - \beta)x_u^{-uj})(\beta x_u^k + (1 - \beta)x_u^{-uk}) \\ &= \beta^2 x_u^{j+k} + \beta(1 - \beta)x_u^{j-uk} + \beta(1 - \beta)x_u^{k-uj} + (1 - \beta)^2 x_u^{-u(j+k)}\end{aligned}$$

which we can write as a linear combination of the other basis elements, specifically

$$v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{x_u^k} = (1 - s)v_{x_u^{j+k}} - sv_{x_u^{-u(j+k)}} + sv_{x_u^{j-uk}} + sv_{x_u^{k-uj}}$$

an immediate consequence of which is that $v_{x_u^j}$, and $v_{x_u^k}$ commute with each other, which isn't terribly surprising of course.

A subtle point to observe is that some of the 'n' in the v_n above may be duplicates.

For example, if $u = -1$ then

$$\begin{aligned}v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{x_u^k} &= (1 - s)v_{x_u^{j+k}} - sv_{x_u^{-u(j+k)}} + sv_{x_u^{j-uk}} + sv_{x_u^{k-uj}} \\ &= (1 - s)v_{x_u^{j+k}} - sv_{x_u^{(j+k)}} + sv_{x_u^{j+k}} + sv_{x_u^{k+j}} \\ &= v_{x_u^{j+k}}\end{aligned}$$


which is basically reflecting the fact that $v_{x_{-1}^j} = x_{-1}^j$ and so $x_{-1}^j x_{-1}^k = x_{-1}^{j+k}$ of course.

More generally, $v_n = n$ if and only if $n \in N \cap \rho(G)$.

In particular, we recall that $v_{x_u^j} = \beta x_u^j + (1 - \beta)x_u^{-uj} = x_u^j$ if and only if $j \equiv -uj \pmod{n}$ which is equivalent to $j \equiv 0 \pmod{m_u}$.

And applied to $\{j + k, -u(j + k), j - uk, k - uj\}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 j + k &\equiv -u(j + k) \pmod{n} \leftrightarrow j + k \equiv 0 \pmod{m_u} \\
 j + k &\equiv j - uk \pmod{n} \leftrightarrow k \equiv 0 \pmod{m_u} \\
 j + k &\equiv k - uj \pmod{n} \leftrightarrow j \equiv 0 \pmod{m_u} \\
 -u(j + k) &\equiv j - uk \pmod{n} \leftrightarrow j \equiv 0 \pmod{m_u} \\
 -u(j + k) &\equiv k - uj \pmod{n} \leftrightarrow k \equiv 0 \pmod{m_u} \\
 j - uk &\equiv k - uj \pmod{n} \leftrightarrow j \equiv k \pmod{m_u}
 \end{aligned}$$

which determines how the expression of $v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{x_u^k}$ above condenses.  40/75

The next product for H_{N_u} to consider is this

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_{t_u x_u^j} \cdot v_{t_u x_u^k} &= \left(\sum_{c=0}^{m_u-1} r^c(\gamma) t_u x_u^{j-c(u+1)} + \sum_{c=0}^{m_u-1} f(r^c(\gamma)) t_u x_u^{-uj+c(u+1)} \right) \\
 &\quad \cdot \left(\sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} r^e(\gamma) t_u x_u^{k-e(u+1)} + \sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} f(r^e(\gamma)) t_u x_u^{-uk+e(u+1)} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{c=0}^{m_u-1} \sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} r^c(\gamma) r^e(\gamma) x_u^{k-j+(c-e)(u+1)} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{c=0}^{m_u-1} \sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} r^c(\gamma) f(r^e(\gamma)) x_u^{-uk-j+(c+e)(u+1)} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{c=0}^{m_u-1} \sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} f(r^c(\gamma)) r^e(\gamma) x_u^{k+uj-(c+e)(u+1)} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{c=0}^{m_u-1} \sum_{e=0}^{m_u-1} f(r^c(\gamma)) f(r^e(\gamma)) x_u^{uj-uk-(c-e)(u+1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

which can also be condensed a bit, and written as a linear combination of the other v_n .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} v_{t_u x_u^j} \cdot v_{t_u x_u^k} &= \sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} (a_h + b_h) v_{x_u^{k-j+h(u+1)}} + a_h v_{x_u^{uj-uk-h(u+1)}} \\ &+ \sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} p_h v_{x_u^{k+uj-h(u+1)}} + p_h v_{x_u^{-uk-j+h(u+1)}} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}_{F_d/F}(r^h(\gamma)\gamma) &= a_h + b_h\beta \\ \text{tr}_{F_d/F}(f(r^h(\gamma)\gamma)) &= f(\text{tr}_{F_d/F}(r^h(\gamma)\gamma)) = (a_h + b_h) - b_h\beta \\ \text{tr}_{F_d/F}(r^h(\gamma)f(\gamma)) &= p_h \end{aligned}$$

The issue is that the values of a_h , b_h and p_h are dependent on the extension $L/F/K$, although one can show that:

$$\sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} \text{tr}_{F_d/F}(r^h(\gamma)\gamma) = \beta^2 = -s + \beta$$

$$\sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} \text{tr}_{F_d/F}(f(r^h(\gamma)\gamma)) = (1 - \beta)^2 = (1 - s) - \beta$$

$$\sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} \text{tr}_{F_d/F}(r^h(\gamma)f(\gamma)) = \beta(1 - \beta) = s$$

and so

$$\sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} a_h = -s$$

$$\sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} b_h = 1$$

$$\sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} p_h = s$$

The other products, and their representation as (fairly simple!) linear combinations of the v_n are

$$v_{t_u x_u^k} \cdot v_{x_u^j} = (1-s)v_{t_u x_u^{k+j}} + (-s)v_{t_u x_u^{-u(k+j)}} + sv_{t_u x_u^{j-uk}} + sv_{t_u x_u^{k-uj}}$$

$$v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{t_u x_u^k} = (1-s)v_{t_u x_u^{k-j}} + (-s)v_{t_u x_u^{-u(k-j)}} + sv_{t_u x_u^{-j-uk}} + sv_{t_u x_u^{k+uj}}$$

and the symmetry of the above expressions in j and k leads to a number of identities

$$v_{t_u x_u^k} \cdot v_{x_u^j} = v_{t_u x_u^j} \cdot v_{x_u^k}$$

$$v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{t_u x_u^k} = v_{t_u x_u^{-j}} \cdot v_{x_u^k}$$

$$v_{t_u} \cdot v_{x_u^j} = v_{t_u x_u^j}$$

$$v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{t_u} = v_{t_u x_u^{-j}}$$

In summary:

$$v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{x_u^k} = (1 - s)v_{x_u^{j+k}} - sv_{x_u^{-u(j+k)}} + sv_{x_u^{j-uk}} + sv_{x_u^{k-uj}}$$

$$v_{t_u x_u^j} \cdot v_{t_u x_u^k} = \sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} (a_h + b_h)v_{x_u^{k-j+h(u+1)}} + a_h v_{x_u^{uj-uk-h(u+1)}} \\ + \sum_{h=0}^{m_u-1} p_h v_{x_u^{k+uj-h(u+1)}} + p_h v_{x_u^{-uk-j+h(u+1)}}$$

$$v_{t_u x_u^k} \cdot v_{x_u^j} = (1 - s)v_{t_x u^{k+j}} + (-s)v_{t_x u^{-u(k+j)}} + sv_{t_x u^{j-uk}} + sv_{t_x u^{k-uj}}$$

$$v_{x_u^j} \cdot v_{t_u x_u^k} = (1 - s)v_{t_x u^{k-j}} + (-s)v_{t_x u^{-u(k-j)}} + sv_{t_x u^{-j-uk}} + sv_{t_x u^{k+uj}}$$

This leads to one immediately interesting (to me at least) consequence about the structure of H_{N_u} .

Theorem

If we define $H_{N_u}^0 = \text{Span}(\{v_{x_u^i}\})$ and $H_{N_u}^1 = \text{Span}(\{v_{t_u x_u^i}\})$ then the above facts about how the basis elements multiply implies that H_{N_u} can be decomposed as a \mathbb{Z}_2 graded ring $H_{N_u} = H_{N_u}^0 \oplus H_{N_u}^1$.

Proof.

By the above product table for the v_n , one sees that

$H_{N_u}^i H_{N_u}^j \subseteq H_{N_u}^{i+j}$. Indeed, one has that $v_{t_u} v_{x_u^j} = v_{t_u x_u^j}$ so that $v_{t_u} H_{N_u}^0 \subseteq H_{N_u}^1$ and therefore $v_{t_u} H_{N_u}^0 = H_{N_u}^1$. □

A Worked Out Example in Degree 6

For $K = \mathbb{Q}$ we construct a Galois extension L/K with $\text{Gal}(L/K) \cong D_3$. First, define $p(x) = x^3 - 2 \in K[x]$ which has roots $w, \zeta w, \zeta^2 w$ where $w = \sqrt[3]{2}$ and $\zeta = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}$. We have that $\text{Gal}(L/K) = \langle r, f \rangle$ where

$$r(w) = \zeta w$$

$$r(\zeta) = \zeta$$

$$f(w) = w$$

$$f(\zeta) = \zeta^2$$

so that $|r| = 3$ and $|f| = 2$ and $\text{Gal}(L/K) \cong D_3$. One may verify that

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=0}^1 \sum_{j=0}^2 \zeta^i w^j$$

is a normal basis generator for L/K where $\text{tr}_{L/K}(\alpha) = 1$.

As $F = L^{\langle r \rangle}$ then $\beta = \text{tr}_{L/F}(\alpha) = \zeta + 1$ is a normal basis generator for F/K where $\text{tr}_{F/K}(\beta) = \beta + f(\beta) = 1$ and $\text{irr}_{F/K}(\beta) = x^2 - x - 1$ which means $F = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$.

Now, since $\Upsilon_3 = \{1, -1\}$ then $R(D_3, [D_3]) = \{\lambda(D_3), \rho(D_3)\}$ so the 'interesting' Hopf algebra action is by $N_1 = \lambda(D_3)$ corresponding to $u = 1 \in \Upsilon_3$ so that $d_1 = \gcd(u + 1, 3) = 1$ and $m_1 = 3$ and so, as observed earlier, $F_{d_1} = L$ and $\gamma = \alpha$.

The ' v_n ' basis for H_{N_1} is

$$v_{x_1^0} = v_1 = 1$$

$$v_{x_1} = \beta x_1 + (1 - \beta)x_1^2$$

$$v_{x_1^2} = \beta x_1^2 + (1 - \beta)x_1$$

$$v_{t_1} = \left(-\frac{1}{3}w^2\beta + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}w\beta - w/3\right)t_1x_1 + \left(-\frac{1}{3}w\beta + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}w^2\beta - \frac{1}{3}w^2\right)t_1x_1^2 \\ + \left(\frac{1}{3}w^2 + w/3 + \frac{1}{3}\right)t_1$$

$$v_{t_1x_1} = \left(\frac{2}{3}w^2\beta + \frac{1}{3}w\beta - w/3 + \frac{1}{3}\right)t_1x_1 + \left(-\frac{1}{3}w\beta - \frac{2}{3}w^2\beta + \frac{2}{3}w^2 + \frac{1}{3}\right)t_1x_1^2 \\ + \left(w/3 - \frac{2}{3}w^2 + \frac{1}{3}\right)t_1$$

$$v_{t_1x_1^2} = \left(-\frac{1}{3}w^2\beta - \frac{2}{3}w\beta + \frac{2}{3}w + \frac{1}{3}\right)t_1x_1 + \left(\frac{2}{3}w\beta + \frac{1}{3}w^2\beta - \frac{1}{3}w^2 + \frac{1}{3}\right)t_1x_1^2 \\ + \left(-\frac{2}{3}w + \frac{1}{3}w^2 + \frac{1}{3}\right)t_1$$

Using MAPLE we can compute the different 'trace pairings' for the coefficients in the different products.

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(r^0(\alpha)\alpha) = a_0 + b_0\beta = \frac{-5}{3} + \frac{5}{3}\beta$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(r^1(\alpha)\alpha) = a_1 + b_1\beta = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{-1}{3}\beta$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(r^2(\alpha)\alpha) = a_2 + b_2\beta = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{-1}{3}\beta$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(f(r^0(\alpha)\alpha)) = (a_0 + b_0) - b_0\beta = -\frac{5}{3}\beta$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(f(r^1(\alpha)\alpha)) = (a_1 + b_1) - b_1\beta = \frac{1}{3}\beta$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(f(r^2(\alpha)\alpha)) = (a_2 + b_2) - b_2\beta = \frac{1}{3}\beta$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(r^0(\alpha)f(\alpha)) = p_0 = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(r^1(\alpha)f(\alpha)) = p_1 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{tr}_{L/F}(r^2(\alpha)f(\alpha)) = p_2 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

So for example, we have the simplest product, namely the commuting basis elements v_{x_1} and $v_{x_1^2}$.

$$v_{x_1} \cdot v_{x_1^2} = v_{x_1^2} \cdot v_{x_1} = -v_{x_1^0} + v_{x_1^2} + v_{x_1}$$

and the others can be 'clustered' given the similarities one sees:

$$v_{x_1} \cdot v_{x_1} = -v_{x_1} + 2v_{x_1^0}$$

$$v_{x_1^2} \cdot v_{x_1^2} = -v_{x_1^2} + 2v_{x_1^0}$$

$$v_{x_1^2} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1} = -v_{t_1 x_1} + 2v_{t_1}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1} \cdot v_{x_1} = -v_{t_1 x_1} + 2v_{t_1}$$

$$v_{x_1} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1^2} = -v_{t_1 x_1^2} + 2v_{t_1}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1^2} \cdot v_{x_1^2} = -v_{t_1 x_1^2} + 2v_{t_1}$$

and

$$v_{t_1} \cdot v_t = 5/3v_{x_1^0} - 1/3v_{x_1^2} - 1/3v_{x_1}$$

$$v_{t_1} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1} = 5/3v_{x_1} - 1/3v_{x_1^0} - 1/3v_{x_1^2}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1^2} \cdot v_{t_1} = 5/3v_{x_1} - 1/3v_{x_1^0} - 1/3v_{x_1^2}$$

$$v_{t_1} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1^2} = 5/3v_{x_1^2} - 1/3v_{x_1^0} - 1/3v_{x_1}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1} \cdot v_{t_1} = 5/3v_{x_1^2} - 1/3v_{x_1^0} - 1/3v_{x_1}$$

and

$$v_{t_1 x_1} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1} = -7/3 v_{x_1^0} + 5/3 v_{x_1^2} + 5/3 v_{x_1}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1^2} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1^2} = -7/3 v_{x_1^0} + 5/3 v_{x_1^2} + 5/3 v_{x_1}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1^2} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1} = -7/3 v_{x_1} + 11/3 v_{x_1^0} - 1/3 v_{x_1^2}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1^2} = -7/3 v_{x_1^2} + 11/3 v_{x_1^0} - 1/3 v_{x_1}$$

and

$$v_{x_1^2} \cdot v_{t_1} = v_{t_1 x_1}$$

$$v_{t_1} \cdot v_{x_1} = v_{t_1 x_1}$$

$$v_{x_1} \cdot v_{t_1} = v_{t_1 x_1^2}$$

$$v_{t_1} \cdot v_{x_1^2} = v_{t_1 x_1^2}$$

and

$$v_{x_1^2} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1^2} = -v_{t_1} + v_{t_1 x_1^2} + v_{t_1 x_1}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1} \cdot v_{x_1^2} = -v_{t_1} + v_{t_1 x_1^2} + v_{t_1 x_1}$$

$$v_{t_1 x_1^2} \cdot v_{x_1} = -v_{t_1} + v_{t_1 x_1^2} + v_{t_1 x_1}$$

$$v_{x_1} \cdot v_{t_1 x_1} = -v_{t_1} + v_{t_1 x_1^2} + v_{t_1 x_1}$$

The goal is to show that even though none of the H_{N_u} are isomorphic as Hopf-algebras, they are isomorphic as K -algebras.

An ad-hoc approach/example in the D_3 case is to utilize the v_n basis to construct matrix units, and therefore an explicit isomorphism $(K[\lambda(D_3)])^{D_3} = H_{N_1} \rightarrow H_{N_{-1}} = K[\rho(D_3)]$.

This is made easier by the knowledge of the multiplication table for the $\{v_n\}$ we just explored.

We know that $K[D_3] \cong K \times K \times M_2(K)$ is the Wedderburn decomposition so the difficulty is in finding a 'copy' of $M_2(K)$ inside H_{N_1} , namely a set of matrix units.

Consider

$$h_{1,1} = \frac{1}{3}(v_{x_1^0} - v_{x_1^2})$$

$$h_{1,2} = \frac{1}{6}(v_{t_1} - v_{t_1 x_1})$$

$$h_{2,1} = \frac{1}{3}(v_{t_1} - v_{t_1 x_1^2})$$

$$h_{2,2} = \frac{1}{3}(v_{x_1^0} - v_{x_1})$$

which we assert correspond to the elementary 2×2 matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If the character values of D_3 lie in K then the orthogonal idempotents

$$e_{\chi_i} = \frac{\chi_i(1)}{|D_3|} \sum_{g \in D_3} \chi_i(g^{-1})g$$

lie in $K[D_3]$.

There are two 1-d characters χ_1 and χ_2 , where $\chi_1(g) = 1$ for all $g \in D_3$, $\chi_2(x_1^i) = (-1)^i$, $\chi_2(t_1 x_1^i) = 0$, as well as the 2-d character χ_3 where $\chi_3(1) = 2$, $\chi_3(x_1) = -1$, $\chi_3(x_1^2) = -1$, $\chi_3(t_1 x_1^j) = 0$

In particular we obtain

$$e_{\chi_1} = \frac{1}{6}(t_1 x_1^2 + t_1 x_1 + t_1 + x_1^2 + x_1 + 1)$$

$$e_{\chi_2} = \frac{1}{6}(-t_1 x_1^2 - t_1 x_1 - t_1 + x_1^2 + x_1 + 1)$$

$$e_{\chi_3} = \frac{1}{3}(2 - x_1 - x_1^2)$$

but what is quite extraordinary is how these may be represented in terms of the v -basis, namely that they actually reside in $H_{N_1} = (K[\lambda(D_3)])^{D_3}$.

Specifically

$$\begin{aligned}e_{\chi_1} &= \frac{1}{6}(t_1 x_1^2 + t_1 x_1 + t_1 + x_1^2 + x_1 + 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}(v_{t_1 x_1^2} + v_{t_1 x_1} + v_{t_1} + v_{x_1^2} + v_{x_1} + v_{x_1^0})\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}e_{\chi_2} &= \frac{1}{6}(-t_1 x_1^2 - t_1 x_1 - t_1 + x_1^2 + x_1 + 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}(-v_{t_1 x_1^2} - v_{t_1 x_1} - v_{t_1} + v_{x_1^2} + v_{x_1} + v_{x_1^0})\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}e_{\chi_3} &= \frac{1}{3}(2 - x_1 - x_1^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(2v_{x_1^0} - v_{x_1} - v_{x_1^2})\end{aligned}$$

and the idempotent e_{χ_3} is used to obtain the $h_{i,j}$.

What we have then is that $H_{N_1} = H_\lambda$ (expressed in its Wedderburn form as $K \times K \times Mat_2(K)$) has basis $\{e_{\chi_1}, e_{\chi_2}, h_{1,1}, h_{1,2}, h_{2,1}, h_{2,2}\}$, which are all expressed in terms of the $v_{t_1^i x_1^j}$ basis vectors, explicitly

$$(a, b, \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ e & f \end{bmatrix}) \mapsto ae_{\chi_1} + be_{\chi_2} + ch_{1,1} + dh_{1,2} + eh_{2,1} + fh_{2,2}$$

where, for example, we can see where the identity element of the direct product gets mapped

$$(1, 1, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}) \mapsto e_{\chi_1} + e_{\chi_2} + h_{1,1} + h_{2,2} = v_{x_1^0}$$

which is congruous with the observation earlier that $v_{x_1^0}$ is the identity element of H_{N_u} .

As an interesting computational aside, the sub-algebra $H_{N_1}^0 = \text{Span}(\{v_{x_1^j}\})$ can also be written as $\text{Span}(\{e_{x_1} + e_{x_2}, h_{1,1}, h_{2,2}\})$, namely as those elements of the form

$$(a, a, \begin{bmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & f \end{bmatrix})$$

and similarly $H_{N_1}^1 = \text{Span}(\{v_{t_1 x_1^j}\}) = \text{Span}(\{(e_{x_1} - e_{x_2}), h_{1,2}, h_{2,1}\})$ which equals

$$(a, -a, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c \\ d & 0 \end{bmatrix})$$

Going further, we can view $H_{N_1} = H_\lambda$ as a group ring in a kind of natural way. One may show that in $M_2(K)$ one has matrices

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

which can be shown satisfy the equations $X^3 = I$, $T^2 = I$ and $XT = TX^2$ so that $\langle X, T \rangle \cong D_3$ and therefore have elements (units) of the Wedderburn decomposition of H_{N_1} which also satisfy these relations, namely $h_X = (1, 1, X)$ and $h_T = (1, 1, T)$.

What we would like is to show that

$$\{1, h_X, (h_X)^2, h_T, h_T h_X, h_T (h_X)^2\} = \\ \{(1, 1, I), (1, 1, X), (1, 1, X^2), (1, 1, T), (1, 1, TX), (1, 1, TX^2)\}$$

are yet a different basis for H_{N_1} .

As it turns out, one must adjust h_T , and set it to be $(1, -1, T)$ in order to achieve linear independence, which yields the set

$$\{(1, 1, I), (1, 1, X), (1, 1, X^2), (1, -1, T), (1, -1, TX), (1, -1, TX^2)\}$$

which *is* linearly independent.

The five 2×2 matrices X, X^2, T, TX, TX^2 cannot be a linearly independent subset of $M_2(K)$. And in terms of the basis $\{e_{\chi_1}, e_{\chi_2}, h_{1,1}, h_{1,2}, h_{2,1}, h_{2,2}\}$ one has

$$1 = 1e_{\chi_1} + 1e_{\chi_2} + 1h_{1,1} + 0h_{1,2} + 0h_{2,1} + 1h_{2,2}$$

$$h_X = 1e_{\chi_1} + 1e_{\chi_2} + 0h_{1,1} + 1h_{1,2} + (-1)h_{2,1} + (-1)h_{2,2}$$

$$(h_X)^2 = 1e_{\chi_1} + 1e_{\chi_2} + (-1)h_{1,1} + (-1)h_{1,2} + 1h_{2,1} + 0h_{2,2}$$

$$h_T = 1e_{\chi_1} + (-1)e_{\chi_2} + 0h_{1,1} + 1h_{1,2} + 0h_{2,1} + 1h_{2,2}$$

$$h_T h_X = 1e_{\chi_1} + (-1)e_{\chi_2} + (-1)h_{1,1} + (-1)h_{1,2} + 0h_{2,1} + 1h_{2,2}$$

$$h_T (h_X)^2 = 1e_{\chi_1} + (-1)e_{\chi_2} + 1h_{1,1} + 0h_{1,2} + (-1)h_{2,1} + (-1)h_{2,2}$$

and, for reference, we can represent h_X and h_T in terms of the v basis.

$$h_X = \frac{2}{3}v_{x_1} + \frac{1}{3}v_{x_1^2} - \frac{1}{6}v_{t_1} - \frac{1}{6}v_{t_1x_1} + \frac{1}{3}v_{t_1x_1^2}$$

$$h_T = \frac{5}{6}v_{t_1} + \frac{1}{6}v_{t_1x_1}$$

So we have (in a kind of bare-handed way) demonstrated the following:

Theorem

If $D_3 = \langle x, t \mid x^3 = t^2 = 1, xt = tx^2 \rangle$ then there is a K -algebra isomorphism $\psi : K[D_3] \rightarrow H_{N_1}$ given by $\psi(x) = h_X$ and $\psi(t) = h_T$.

Idempotents in H_N

The similarity of the expression of the idempotents expressed in terms of the group elements and the v basis, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} e_{\chi_1} &= \frac{1}{6}(t_1 x_1^2 + t_1 x_1 + t_1 + x_1^2 + x_1 + 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}(v_{t_1 x_1^2} + v_{t_1 x_1} + v_{t_1} + v_{x_1^2} + v_{x_1} + v_{x_1^0}) \end{aligned}$$

makes one wonder if there is, more generally, a direct analogue of the e_{χ_i} framed in terms of the v_n ?

Conjecture/Question: If H_λ contains all the central idempotents as the group ring H_ρ does that imply that $H_\lambda \cong H_\rho$?

Consider the following.

Definition

For $N \in R(G)$ and $\{v_n\}$ the basis for $H_N = (L[N])^{\lambda(G)}$ let

$$v_\chi = \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{n \in N} \chi(n^{-1}) v_n$$

for each irreducible character $\chi : N \rightarrow K$ of N .

We model this on the usual idempotent definition

$$e_\chi = \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{n \in N} \chi(n^{-1}) n \in K[N].$$

The first question is whether these v_χ are similarly orthogonal idempotents. Under some assumptions on χ we can show more in fact.

Theorem

For $N \in R(G)$ and v_χ as defined above, if χ is real valued and all character values lie in K , and $\chi(\lambda(g)n\lambda(g)^{-1}) = \chi(n)$ for all $n \in N$ and $g \in G$ then $v_\chi = e_\chi$.

Proof:

By assumption $\chi(n^{-1}) = \overline{\chi(n)} = \chi(n)$ and so:

$$\begin{aligned}v_\chi &= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{n \in N} \chi(n^{-1}) v_n \\&= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{n \in N} \sum_{g \in G} \chi(n^{-1}) g(\alpha) \lambda(g) n \lambda(g)^{-1} \\&= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{g \in G} g(\alpha) \sum_{n \in N} \chi(n^{-1}) \lambda(g) n \lambda(g)^{-1} \\&= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{g \in G} g(\alpha) \sum_{n \in N} \chi(n) \lambda(g) n \lambda(g)^{-1} \\&= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{g \in G} g(\alpha) \sum_{n \in N} \chi(\lambda(g) n \lambda(g)^{-1}) \lambda(g) n \lambda(g)^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{g \in G} g(\alpha) \sum_{m \in N} \chi(m)m \\
&= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{g \in G} g(\alpha) \sum_{m \in N} \chi(m^{-1})m \\
&= \frac{\chi(e_N)}{|N|} \sum_{m \in N} \chi(m^{-1})m \\
&= e_\chi
\end{aligned}$$

where the second to last line is due to the assumption that $tr_{L/K}(\alpha) = 1$, which completes the proof. □

As a corollary, we have the following.

Corollary

For $N \in R(G)$ and v_χ as defined above, if χ is real valued and all character values lie in K and the action of $\lambda(G)$ on N is by inner automorphisms, then $v_\chi = e_\chi$

Proof.

If conjugation by every $\lambda(g)$ induces an inner automorphism of N then all conjugacy classes are preserved and therefore all character values are preserved. □

As a result, we have some immediate examples.

If G is such that all its irreducible character values are real and lie in K then for $N = \lambda(G), \rho(G)$ one has $v_\chi = e_\chi$.

Of course, the upshot of this is that for these N the Hopf algebras H_N contain the same orthogonal idempotents as does $K[N]$ itself (and therefore has identical Wedderburn decomposition to that of $K[N]$?)

Corollary

If $N \in R(G)$ and χ is a real valued irreducible character of N such that all values of χ lie in K and $\chi(\lambda(g)n\lambda(g)^{-1}) = \chi(n)$ for all $n \in N$ and $g \in G$ then $e_\chi \in H_N$.

For D_n , the question is, for what irreducible character(s) χ do we have $\chi(\lambda(g)n\lambda(g)^{-1}) = \chi(n)$ for every $n \in N$ where $N \in \mathcal{H}(D_n)$?

Given $N_u \in \mathcal{H}(D_n)$ where $N_u = \langle x_u, t_u \rangle$ and where $\lambda(G) = \langle r, f \rangle$ acts by

$$rx_ur^{-1} = x_u$$

$$rt_ur^{-1} = t_u x_u^{-(u+1)}$$

$$fx_u f^{-1} = x_u^{-u}$$

$$ft_u f^{-1} = t_u$$

we look at whether each χ is $\lambda(G)$ -invariant.

If n is even then the 1-d irreps are χ_1 , χ_2 , χ_3 , and χ_4 where

	x_u^j	$t_u x_u^j$
χ_1	1	1
χ_2	1	-1
χ_3	$(-1)^j$	$(-1)^j$
χ_4	$(-1)^j$	$(-1)^{j+1}$

and for n odd, χ_3 and χ_4 aren't defined.

Clearly χ_1 and χ_2 are $\lambda(G)$ -invariant, and for n even, $u \in \Upsilon_n$ must be odd, and so $u + 1$ must be even and so $j - (u + 1) \equiv j \pmod{2}$ and $j \equiv -ju \pmod{2}$ and so χ_3 and χ_4 are as well.

For the two dimensional irreps χ^h where $\chi^h(t_u x_u^j) = 0$ and $\chi^h(x_u^j) = 2\cos\left(\frac{2hj\pi}{n}\right)$ for $0 < h < \frac{n}{2}$ the question is whether

$$\cos\left(\frac{2hj\pi}{n}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{-2huj\pi}{n}\right)$$

for $u \in \Upsilon_n$?

And here is where a problem arises, namely the above equality holds (for all $h \in (0, \frac{n}{2})$) only if $u = \pm 1$, i.e. for $N_1 = \lambda(D_n)$ and $N_{-1} = \rho(D_n)$.

But at least we can conclude that $H_\lambda = H_{N_1} \cong H_{N_{-1}} = H_\rho$ for all n , not just $n = 3$, or even n a prime necessarily.

Questions:

(1) Does the fact that $e_\chi \in H_{N_1} = H_\lambda$ for each irreducible character χ imply that H_{N_1} has the same Wedderburn decomposition as $H_{N_{-1}} = H_\rho = K[\rho(D_n)]$?

(2) For those irreducible characters χ which are not $\lambda(G)$ -invariant, are the v_χ idempotent? central? (even if they don't lie in $K[\rho(D_n)]$?)

Thank you!



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