Recognition of division algebras.

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Motivation.

- ▶ G finite group, V a $\mathbb{Q}G$ -module, $\Delta: G \to \mathrm{GL}_r(\mathbb{Q})$ corresponding matrix representation.
- ▶ Is V simple?
- Use the endomorphism ring

$$E = \{ x \in \mathbb{Q}^{r \times r} \mid x\Delta(g) = \Delta(g)x \text{ for all } g \in G \}$$

- ▶ Schur's Lemma: V is simple \iff E skewfield.
- ▶ Goal: Test if E is a skew field.
- ▶ Know: E is a finite dimensional semisimple \mathbb{Q} -algebra.

Wedderburn

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Strategy to determine structure of E.

Algorithm (overview)

- ▶ $E = \langle b_1, \dots, b_d \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}$ given in right regular representation:
- $b_i \in \mathbb{Q}^{d \times d}, b_k b_i = \sum_{j=1}^d (b_i)_{j,k} b_j$
- ▶ find central idempotents, achieve $E = D^{n \times n}$, K = Z(E) = Z(D) a number field
- $k := [K : \mathbb{Q}], \dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(E) = d = s^2 k \text{ with } s = mn$ $m^2 = \dim_K(D).$
- Schur index m of E as lcm of local Schur indices
- Use reduced trace bilinear form: $Tr : F \times F \to K \ (a,b) \mapsto tr \ (ab)$
 - $\operatorname{Tr}: E \times E \to K, (a,b) \mapsto \operatorname{tr}_{red}(ab).$
- ▶ σ real place of K, then Schur index m_{σ} of $E \otimes_{\sigma} \mathbb{R}$ from signature of $\sigma \circ \text{Tr}$.
- \wp finite place of K, then Schur index m_\wp of completion E_\wp from discriminant of any maximal order.



Find idempotents in Z(E).

$$Z = Z(E) := \{ z \in E \mid zb_i = b_i z \text{ for all } 1 \le i \le d \}$$

- $ightharpoonup Z\cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^t K_i$ étale
- ▶ regular representation: $Z = \langle z_1, \dots, z_\ell \rangle \leq \mathbb{Q}^{\ell \times \ell}$
- Elementary fact: the z_i have a simultaneous diagonalization
- ▶ Choose random $z \in Z$, compute its minimal polynomial f
- ▶ If f = gh is not irreducible, then $Z = \ker(g(z)) \oplus \ker(h(z))$ is a Z-invariant decomposition of the natural module
- Compute the action of the generators on both invariant submodules and iterate this procedure
- ightharpoonup Z is a field, if all z_i have irreducible minimal polynomial

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- ▶ For $\wp: K \to \mathbb{C}$ complex place $E \otimes_K \mathbb{C} = \mathbb{C}^{s \times s}$.
- ▶ If $\wp: K \to \mathbb{R}$ is a real place then

$$E_{\wp} = E \otimes_K \mathbb{R} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathbb{R}^{s \times s} & or \\ \mathbb{H}^{s/2 \times s/2} \end{array} \right.$$

where
$$\mathbb{H}=\left(rac{-1,-1}{\mathbb{R}}
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.



The real completion.

$$\operatorname{Tr}: E \times E \to K, (a, b) \mapsto \operatorname{tr}_{red}(ab) = \frac{1}{s} \operatorname{tr}_{reg}(ab).$$

Lemma

- ▶ Signature $(\mathbb{H}, \mathrm{Tr}) = (1, -3)$.
- ▶ Signature $(\mathbb{R}^{2\times 2}, \operatorname{Tr}) = (3, -1)$.
- ▶ Signature $(\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \text{Tr}) = (n(n+1)/2, -n(n-1)/2).$
- ► Signature $(\mathbb{H}^{n/2 \times n/2}, \text{Tr}) = (n(n-1)/2, -n(n+1)/2).$

Proof:

- ▶ The Gram matrix of Tr for the basis (1, i, j, k) of \mathbb{H} is diag(2, -2, -2, -2).
- ▶ The Gram matrix of Tr for the basis $(\begin{array}{cc} 10\\00\end{array}, \begin{array}{cc} 00\\01\end{array}, \begin{array}{cc} 01\\00\end{array}, \begin{array}{cc} 00\\10\end{array})$ is diag $(1,1,\begin{array}{cc} 01\\10\end{array})$.

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Proof. $\Lambda \subset E$ any R-order, then $\Lambda \subset \Lambda^*$ and Λ^*/Λ is a finite group. So Λ has only finitely many overorders and one of them is maximal.



Local division algebras.

Let R be a complete discrete valuation ring with finite residue field $F=R/\pi R$ and quotient field K. Let D be a division algebra with center K and index m, so $m^2=\dim_K(D)$.

Theorem.

The valuation of K extends uniquely to a valuation v of D and the corresponding valuation ring

$$M := \{ d \in D \mid v(d) \ge 0 \}$$

is the unique maximal R-order in D.

Let $\pi_D \in M$ be a prime element. Then $[(M/\pi_D M):F]=m$. Put

$$M^* := \{d \in D \mid \frac{1}{m} \operatorname{tr}(da) \in R \text{ for all } a \in M\}$$

where tr denotes the regular trace $\operatorname{tr}:D\to K.$ Then

$$M^* = \pi_D^{1-m} M$$
 and $|M^*/M| = |M/\pi_D M|^{m-1} = |F|^{m(m-1)}$.

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- ▶ Know $(nm)^2 = \dim_K(D^{n \times n})$ so s = nm, and |F|.
- ▶ Calculate Λ and Λ^* and therewith $t = (nm)^2 n^2m$.
- ▶ Then $m = (s^2 t)/s = s t/s$.

The discriminant of a maximal order.

- ▶ $E = D^{n \times n}$ central simple algebra over number field K = Z(E) of dimension $s^2 = (nm)^2$
- m_{\wp} the \wp -local Schur index of D, so $E_{\wp}\cong D_{\wp}^{n_{\wp}\times n_{\wp}}$ with $n_{\wp}m_{\wp}=s$
- $ightharpoonup \Lambda$ be a maximal R-order in E
- t_{\wp} the number of composition factors $\cong R/\wp$ of the finite R-module Λ^*/Λ .

Theorem.

- $t_{\wp} > 0 \Leftrightarrow m_{\wp} \neq 1$
- $m_{\wp} = (s^2 t_{\wp})/s = s t_{\wp}/s$
- ► The global Schur index is

$$m = \text{lcm } \{m_{\wp} \mid \wp \in \mathbb{S}\} \cup \{m_{\sigma} \mid \sigma \text{ real place of } K\}$$



Rational calculation.

Theorem (see Yamada, The Schur subgroup of the Brauer group).

Let $E=D^{n\times n}$ be the endomorphism ring of a rational representation of a finite group. Then D has uniformly distributed invariants. This means that Z(D) is Galois over $\mathbb Q$ and m_\wp does not depend on the prime ideal \wp of Z(D)=K, but only on the prime number $p\in\wp\cap\mathbb Q=p\mathbb Z$

$$m_p:=m_\wp$$
 for any $\wp \leq R, \wp \cap \mathbb{Q}=p\mathbb{Z}$.

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Main result

$$|\Lambda^{\#}/\Lambda| = \delta^{s^2} \prod_p N_p^{a_p s(s-t_p)}$$

where $t_p = s/m_p$.

Computation of maximal order: direct approach.

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- Algorithm:
- ▶ Loop over the minimal submodules $\Lambda \subset S \subset \Lambda^*$.
- ▶ Compute the multiplicative closure $M(S) = \langle S, S^2, S^3, \ldots \rangle$
- ▶ If $M(S) \not\subset \Lambda^*$ then S is not contained in an order.
- ▶ Otherwise M(S) is an overorder of Λ .
- ▶ Replace Λ by M(S) and continue.
- ▶ If no M(S) is an order, then Λ is already maximal.

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- ▶ all rational primes $p \mid |\Lambda^*/\Lambda|$ are handled separately
- Prime after prime we compute a p-maximal order.
- ▶ Involves only linear equations modulo *p*.

Idealiser of maximal ideal of hereditary order.

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} R & R & \dots & R \\ \pi R & R & \dots & R \\ \pi R & \pi R & \dots & R \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \pi R & \dots & \pi R & R \end{pmatrix}, I = \begin{pmatrix} \pi R & R & \dots & R \\ \pi R & R & \dots & R \\ \pi R & \pi R & \dots & R \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \pi R & \dots & \pi R & R \end{pmatrix}$$

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Situation for $43R = \wp_1 \wp_2 \wp_3$.

6 maximal ideals:

$$I_i = \begin{pmatrix} \wp_i & R \\ 43R & R \end{pmatrix}, J_i = \begin{pmatrix} R & R \\ 43R & \wp_i \end{pmatrix} i = 1, 2, 3$$

- ▶ Idealiser of I_1 is $\Lambda_1 = \begin{pmatrix} R & \wp_1^{-1} \\ 43R & R \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} R & R \\ \wp_2\wp_3 & R \end{pmatrix}$.
- Λ_1 has 5 maximal ideals: $\wp_1\Lambda_1$ and

$$I_i' = \begin{pmatrix} \wp_i & R \\ \wp_2 \wp_3 & R \end{pmatrix}, J_i' = \begin{pmatrix} R & R \\ \wp_2 \wp_3 & \wp_i \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } i = 2, 3.$$

- ▶ Idealiser of I_2' is conjugate to $\Lambda_2 = \left(\begin{array}{cc} R & R \\ \wp_3 & R \end{array} \right)$
- ▶ has maximal ideals $\wp_1\Lambda_2$, $\wp_2\Lambda_2$ and I_3'' , J_3'' .
- ▶ The idealiser of I_3'' is maximal.



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