

Kac generalization of Gabriel's Theorem

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Ch. 8.

Main: for any quiver.

There exists indecomp. in α

$\Leftrightarrow \alpha$ is a positive root of the corresponding root system (Kac-Moody Lie alg.)

Key:

Whether there exists indecomp. in α is indep. of orientation of arrows of Q .

Thus can change to sink/source to do reflection.

Deformed preprojective alg.

$$\Pi_\theta := \mathbb{C}\bar{Q} / \left(\sum_{a \in Q_1} (a^*a - aa^*) - \theta \cdot Id \right).$$

where \bar{Q} is the double quiver.

The relation is denoted as r_θ .

($\theta \in \mathbb{C}^{Q_0}$.)

Note:

r_θ consists of cycles (same source and target).

$$Rep_\alpha(\Pi_\theta) = \mu^{-1}(\theta \cdot Id)$$

where

$$\mu: Rep_\alpha(Q) \oplus Rep_\alpha(Q^{op}) \rightarrow End_\alpha(Q)$$

is the "moment map"

$$\sum_{a \in Q_1} (W(a^*)V(a) - V(a)W(a^*)).$$

Moment map for linear action of $GL(n)$ on $M \oplus M^*$ (complex sympl.),

$$(v, w) \mapsto (Av, wA^{-1})$$

is

$$M \oplus M^* \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}^*$$

$$(\mu(v, w), X) = wXv.$$

GL_α acts on $(V, W) \in Rep_\alpha(Q) \oplus Rep_\alpha(Q^{op})$ by

$$(g_{h(a)}V(a)g_{t(a)}^{-1}, g_{t(a)}W(a^*)g_{h(a)}^{-1}).$$

gI_α acts by

$$(X_{h(a)}V(a) - V(a)X_{t(a)}, X_{t(a)}W(a^*) - W(a^*)X_{h(a)}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu(V, W), X) &= \sum_a \text{tr} \left(X_{h(a)}V(a)W(a^*) - V(a)X_{t(a)}W(a^*) \right) \\ &= \sum_a \text{tr} \left(X_{h(a)}V(a)W(a^*) - X_{t(a)}W(a^*)V(a) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Image of

$$\mu = \sum_{a \in Q_1} (W(a^*)V(a) - V(a)W(a^*))$$

has total trace zero. hence need

$$\theta \cdot \alpha = \text{tr}(\theta \cdot \text{Id}) = 0$$

or otherwise $\Pi_\theta = \emptyset$.

Recall the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H^0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_x \text{Hom}(V(x), W(x)) \rightarrow \bigoplus_a \text{Hom}(V(t_a), W(h_a)) \rightarrow H^1 \rightarrow 0.$$

Put $V = W$:

$$0 \rightarrow \text{End}(V) \rightarrow \text{End}_\alpha(Q) \xrightarrow{d_V} \text{Rep}_\alpha(Q) \rightarrow H^1(V) \rightarrow 0.$$

($\alpha = \overline{\dim V}$.)

Dualizing: $(\sum_a \text{Tr}(W(a^*)V(a)))$ gives $\text{Rep}_\alpha(Q^*) \cong (\text{Rep}_\alpha(Q))^*$.

$$0 \rightarrow (H^1(V))^* \rightarrow \text{Rep}_\alpha(Q^*) \xrightarrow{d_V^*} \text{End}_\alpha(Q^*) \rightarrow (\text{End}(V))^* \rightarrow 0$$

Indeed

$$d_V^* = \mu(V, -) = \sum_{a \in Q_1} ((-)(a^*) \cdot V(a) - V(a) \cdot (-)(a^*)).$$

Thm. 8.1.3. Lift Q -rep V to Π_θ -rep.

$\theta \cdot \text{Id} \in \text{Im}(d_V^*)$ (that is, V can be lifted)

$\Leftrightarrow \theta \cdot \overline{\dim W} = 0 \quad \forall$ indecomp. summand W of V .

Proof.

By exact seq,

$$\theta \cdot Id \in \text{Im}(d_V^*) \Leftrightarrow \sum_x \theta(x) \cdot \text{tr } f_x = 0 \quad \forall f \in \text{End}(V).$$

→)

consider $f = \pi_W \in \text{End}(V)$ projection to W .

$$\sum_x \text{tr}(\theta(x) f_x) = \sum_x \theta(x) \text{tr}(f_x) = \theta \cdot \overrightarrow{\dim W} = 0.$$

←)

Let $V = W_1 \oplus \dots \oplus W_r$ indecomp.

$$\theta(\overrightarrow{\dim W_i}) = 0 \quad \forall i.$$

Recall (from Ch.1) that

$\forall f \in \text{End}(W_i)$,

f is spanned by Id and nilpotents (Jordan decomp. into gen. eigen-subrep.).

$$\sum_x \theta(x) \text{tr}(f_x) = \sum_x \theta(x) \text{tr}(\lambda \cdot Id) = \lambda \theta \cdot \overrightarrow{\dim W_i} = 0.$$

For $f \in \text{End}(V)$, write f into matrix form $f_{ij} \in \text{Hom}(W_j, W_i)$.

$$\sum_x \text{tr}(\theta(x) f_x) = \sum_x \theta(x) \sum_i \text{tr}(f_{ii})_x = 0.$$

Cor. 8.1.4.

Suppose α is indivisible.

Whether there exists indecomp. in α is indep. of orientation of arrows of Q .

Proof.

Let Q, Q' be the same up to orientation.

Then they have the same double \bar{Q} .

Want:

Q has indecomp. in $\alpha \Leftrightarrow Q'$ has indecomp. in α .

Idea:

Lift Q -rep to Π_θ -rep, and then restrict to Q' -rep.

Suppose V indecomp. in α .

Choose $\theta \cdot \alpha = 0$.

Then by Thm. 8.1.3, V can be lifted to Π_θ -rep.

Restrict to Q' -rep. V' (with sam dim. α). Hope indecomp.

Again by Thm. 8.1.3,

$$\theta \cdot \overrightarrow{\dim W} = 0 \quad \forall \text{ indecomp. summand } W \text{ of } V'.$$

Claim:

can choose $\theta \in \langle \alpha \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}^{\perp}$ such that

$$\theta \cdot \beta = 0 \text{ and } \beta \in \mathbb{Q}^{Q_0} \Rightarrow \beta \in \mathbb{Q} \cdot \alpha.$$

Since α indivisible, this implies $\overrightarrow{\dim W} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cdot \alpha$.

Then the indecomp. W can only be V' .

Proof of claim:

Use irrational θ in $\langle \alpha \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}^{\perp} - \langle \alpha \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\perp}$.

Take basis $\gamma_1 \dots \gamma_{n-1}$ of $\langle \alpha \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\perp}$.

Take $\theta = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} t_i \gamma_i$ where $t_i \in \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Q}$ are lin. indep.

$$\text{Then } \theta \cdot \beta = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} t_i (\gamma_i \cdot \beta) = 0$$

(where $\gamma_i \cdot \beta \in \mathbb{Q}$)

implies $\gamma_i \cdot \beta = 0 \quad \forall i$, and hence $\beta \in \mathbb{Q} \cdot \alpha$.

Reflections for indecomp.

$$\sigma_x(\alpha) := \alpha - (\alpha, \epsilon_x) \epsilon_x$$

(Reflection about ϵ_x^{\perp} under the indef. "metric" $(-, -)/2$)

where

$$(\alpha, \beta) := \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle + \langle \beta, \alpha \rangle = 2 \sum_v \alpha(x) \beta(x) - \sum_a \alpha(t_a) \beta(h_a) - \sum_a \beta(t_a) \alpha(h_a).$$

$$\sigma_x(\alpha) \Big|_x = \alpha(x) - \left(2\alpha(x) - \sum_{\substack{v \text{ conn. to } x \\ \text{by arrow}}} \alpha(v) \right) = -\alpha(x) + \sum_{v \text{ adj to } x} \alpha(v).$$

Dually:

$$\sigma_x^*(\theta) \cdot \alpha = \theta \cdot \sigma_x(\alpha).$$

$$\sigma_x^*(\theta) \Big|_v = \theta(v) - (\epsilon_x, \epsilon_v) \theta(x).$$

$$\sigma_x^*(\theta) \Big|_x = -\theta(x).$$

Weyl group

$$W := \langle \sigma_x : x \in Q_0 \rangle \subset GL(\mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}).$$

Lem. 8.2.1. Generalizing Thm. 4.3.9 to non-sinks.

α indivisible.

If has indecomp. V in α , then

for every $x \in Q_0$,

has indecomp. rep. in $\sigma_x(\alpha)$

unless $\alpha = \epsilon_x$ in which case $V = S_x$

(and $\sigma_x(\epsilon_x) = -\epsilon_x$.)

Proof.

By Cor. 8.1.4,

can change the orientation such that x is sink,

and still has indecomp. V' (rep. of Q') in α .

Then use $C_x(V')$ in Thm. 4.3.9

which is still indecomp. (rep of $\sigma_x(Q')$) of dim. $\sigma_x(\alpha)$

unless $V = S_x$ (in which $C_x(S_x) = 0$).

Again by Cor. 8.1.4, has indecomp. rep. of the original Q in $\sigma_x(\alpha)$.

Note:

W preserves indivisibility: $\forall w \in W$,

α indivisible $\Leftrightarrow w \cdot \alpha$ indivisible.

Given an indecomp., keep on doing Lem. 8.2.1. When we encounter ϵ_x and want to do σ_x ,

we replace ϵ_x by $-\epsilon_x$ and do σ_x (so that we get back ϵ_x). Thus we can do this for any $w \in W$.

Thm. 8.2.2.

Suppose $\alpha > 0$ indivisible.

Have indecomp. rep. of dim. α

\Leftrightarrow have indecomp. rep. of dim. $\pm w(\alpha)$.

In particular either $w(\alpha) > 0$ or $-w(\alpha) > 0$ if α supp. indecomp.

Reflections for Π_θ -mod

$Z = (V, W) \in \Pi_\theta - \text{mod.}$

Fix $x \in Q_0$.

take $\theta(x) \neq 0$.

$$\sum_{a \in Q_1} (W(a^*)V(a) - V(a)W(a^*)) = \theta \cdot Id.$$

In particular

$$Z(in_x) \cdot Z(out_x) = \theta(x) \cdot Id_{Z(x)}$$

where

in_x is direct sum of inward arrows;

out_x is direct sum of outward arrows, corrected by signs:

multiply by -1 if the out arrow comes from Q_1^{op} .

Hence $\text{Ker}(in_x) \cong \text{coKer}(out_x)$;

$Z(in_x)$ is surj. and $Z(out_x)$ is inj.

(They give isom. $Z(x) \cong \text{Im } Z(out_x)$.)

As in Ch.4,

$$\sigma_x(Z) \Big|_x := \text{Ker}(in_x) \cong \text{coKer}(out_x) \text{ (where the isom. is the inclusion)}$$

and remain the same for other vertices.

$\sigma_x(Z)(out_x)$ is the inclusion of kernel,

$\sigma_x(Z)(in_x)$ is the quotient map times $\lambda(x)$.

Remains the same for other arrows.

Lem. 8.2.4.

σ_x^2 is naturally equiv. to identity, and hence σ_x is an equiv.

Root system

In proving Gabriel's ADE case,

we used Coxeter element to get out of first quadrant,

and right before we get simple ϵ_x .

Another way to get to simple:

Suppose α supports indecomp. (and hence $\alpha > 0$).

Consider (α, ϵ_x) .

For ADE, $(\alpha, \alpha) > 0$, and so

$(\alpha, \epsilon_x) > 0$ for some x .

Then reflect at x .

$$\sigma_x(\alpha) = \alpha - (\alpha, \epsilon_x) \epsilon_x.$$

This decreases $\Sigma\alpha = \sum_y \alpha(y)$:

$$\Sigma\sigma_x(\alpha) = \Sigma\alpha - (\alpha, \epsilon_x) < \Sigma\alpha.$$

Keep on doing this,

until α is no longer > 0 .

Right before still supports indecomp, so must be ϵ_x .

In gen. $(\alpha, \alpha) \not> 0$. So Weyl reflections results in two possibilities.

1. $w \cdot \alpha$ is no longer > 0 .

Right before the last σ_x , still supports indecomp, so must be ϵ_x .

Such α is called **real root**.

Note that such α must be indivisible.

2. $\alpha > 0$, but $(\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0 \forall x$.

Observe that α has indecomp. implies α has connected support, meaning there is a connected subquiver only containing those vertices with $\alpha(x) \neq 0$.

Such α is called **imaginary root**.

This motivates the following definition of real and imaginary roots.

Real root:

$w \cdot \epsilon_x$ for any $w \in W, x \in Q_0$.

$$\Phi_{re}^+ = \Phi_{re} \cap \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{Q_0};$$

$$\Phi_{re}^- = \Phi_{re} \cap \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}^{Q_0};$$

Since W preserves indivisibility,
all real roots are indivisible.

$$\Phi_{re} = -\Phi_{re}:$$

$$-w \cdot \epsilon_x = w \cdot (-\epsilon_x) = (w \cdot \sigma_x) \cdot \epsilon_x \in \Phi_{re}.$$

$$\Phi_{re}^- = -\Phi_{re}^+:$$

taking $-$ preserves Φ_{re} and switch $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{Q_0}$ and $\mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}^{Q_0}$.

(Positive or negative) imaginary root:

$\pm w \cdot \alpha$ for any $w \in W, \alpha > \vec{0}$,

$(\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0 \forall x \in Q_0$, and

there is a connected subquiver only containing those vertices with $\alpha(x) \neq 0$.

Note that if $\alpha \in \Phi_{im}$, then
 $k\alpha \in \Phi_{im} \quad \forall k \neq 0$.

Assume no loop at any vertex. Then

$$\Phi_{re} \cap \Phi_{im} = \emptyset:$$

$$(\alpha, \alpha) = (\epsilon_x, \epsilon_x) = 2 \text{ (since no loop) for } \alpha \in \Phi_{re},$$

but

$$(\alpha, \alpha) = \sum_x \alpha(x) \cdot (\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0 \text{ for } \alpha \in \Phi_{im}.$$

The above has proved \rightarrow of the following:

Thm. 8.3.5.

For α indivisible,

$$\alpha \text{ supports indecomp. rep.} \Leftrightarrow \alpha \in \Phi^+.$$

\leftarrow is proved below.

Lem. 8.3.1. Indecomp. for positive real root:

There exists (one) indecomp. rep. in every $\alpha \in \Phi_{re}^+$.

Proof.

By Thm. 8.2.2, have indecomp. rep. in $\pm w \cdot \epsilon_x$.

which has to lie in $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{Q_0}$.

Indecomp. rep. for positive imaginary root

First show that if α satisfies the above condition, then
it supports indecomp. rep.

Then by Lem. 8.2.1,

restrict to the case that α indivisible,

still has indecomp. in $\sigma_x(\alpha) \quad \forall x$.

(Note that $\sigma_x(\alpha) \neq \epsilon_x$ since $\Phi_{re} \cap \Phi_{im} = \emptyset$.)

Inductively get:

Lem. 8.3.4.

Every indivisible $\alpha \in \Phi_{im}^+$ supports indecomp.

First the case before taking $w \in W$:

Lem. 8.3.3.

If $\alpha > \vec{0}$, $(\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0 \forall x$, and
there is a connected subquiver only containing
those vertices with $\alpha(x) \neq 0$,
then has (inf. many) indecomp. rep. in α .

Proof.

Can shrink Q to be the connected full subquiver supporting α .
(Note that $(-, -)$ are the same for α supp. on the subquiver.)

Consider all possible decomp. rep., which lies in image of
 $A \cdot (V \oplus W): GL_\alpha \times Rep_\beta(Q) \times Rep_{\alpha-\beta}(Q) \rightarrow Rep_\alpha(Q)$
for $0 < \beta < \alpha$.

(The action of A is by conjugation at each vertex.)

Want: the image has positive codimension.

If A has diagonal block form, then image still lies in $Rep_\beta(Q) \oplus Rep_{\alpha-\beta}(Q)$.

Thus dim. of image is at most

$$\dim Rep_\beta(Q) + \dim Rep_{\alpha-\beta}(Q) + \bigoplus_{x \in Q_0} (\alpha(x)^2 - \beta(x)^2 - ((\alpha - \beta)(x))^2)$$

(the last term comes from anti-diagonal blocks of A).

Codim. is at least

$$\begin{aligned} & \dim Rep_\alpha(Q) - \dim Rep_\beta(Q) - \dim Rep_{\alpha-\beta}(Q) \\ & - \bigoplus_{x \in Q_0} (\alpha(x)^2 - \beta(x)^2 - ((\alpha - \beta)(x))^2). \end{aligned}$$

Recall $\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = \dim \text{End}_\alpha - \dim Rep_\alpha(Q)$.

Thus the above equals

$$-\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle + \langle \beta, \beta \rangle + \langle \alpha - \beta, \alpha - \beta \rangle = -(\beta, \alpha - \beta).$$

By the lemma below, this is ≥ 0 , and equality holds iff
 β is prop. to α and $(\alpha, \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}) = 0$.

Done if > 0 .

For the case β is prop. to α and $(\alpha, \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}) = 0$ (where $\alpha(x) > 0 \forall x$):

$$\forall \gamma > \vec{0},$$

$(\gamma, \gamma) = (\gamma, \gamma - m\alpha) = -(\gamma, m\alpha - \gamma)$
 where $m > 0$ is taken such that $\gamma < m\alpha$
 (which exists since $\alpha(x) > 0 \forall x$.)

Again by lemma below, $\text{RHS} \geq 0$.

Hence $B(\gamma) \geq 0 \forall \gamma \geq \vec{0}$.

See Ex. 4.2.5 that this implies Q is subgraph of extended Dynkin.
 $B(\alpha) = 0 \Rightarrow Q$ cannot be Dynkin, and hence must be extended Dynkin.

By Lem. 4.2.2, α has to be multiple of the unique listed ones.
 (Inf. many) indecomp. rep. in α can be explicitly written down.
 (ex. think about the Jordan block for \widetilde{A}_0 .)

Lem. 8.3.2.

If $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^{Q_0}$ and $(\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0 \forall x$, then
 $(\beta, \alpha - \beta) \leq 0 \forall 0 < \beta < \alpha$,
 $= 0 \Leftrightarrow \beta = c \cdot \alpha$ and $(\alpha, \mathbb{Z}^{Q_0}) = 0$.

Proof:

$$2(\beta, \alpha - \beta) = ((\alpha - \beta) + \beta, (\alpha - \beta) + \beta) - (\beta, \beta) - (\alpha - \beta, \alpha - \beta). \quad (*)$$

Similarly

$$2\beta(x) \cdot (\alpha - \beta)(x) = \alpha(x)^2 - \beta(x)^2 - (\alpha - \beta)(x)^2.$$

Recall

$$(\alpha, \beta) = 2 \sum_v \alpha(v)\beta(v) - \sum_a \alpha(t_a)\beta(h_a) - \sum_a \beta(t_a)\alpha(h_a).$$

In particular $(\epsilon_x, \epsilon_y) \leq 0$ for $x \neq y$.

(But (ϵ_x, ϵ_x) can be arbitrary.)

To make use of $(\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0 \forall x$, write the first term of (*):

$$(\alpha, \alpha) = \sum_x \alpha(x) \cdot (\alpha, \epsilon_x).$$

Using the above equality,

$$\alpha(x) = \frac{2\beta(x)}{\alpha(x)} \cdot (\alpha - \beta)(x) + \frac{\beta(x)^2}{\alpha(x)} + \frac{(\alpha - \beta)(x)^2}{\alpha(x)} \geq \frac{\beta(x)^2}{\alpha(x)} + \frac{(\alpha - \beta)(x)^2}{\alpha(x)}.$$

Thus

$$(\alpha, \alpha) \leq \sum_x \frac{\beta(x)^2}{\alpha(x)} (\alpha, \epsilon_x) + \frac{(\alpha - \beta)(x)^2}{\alpha(x)} (\alpha, \epsilon_x).$$

Consider the first term:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_x \frac{\beta(x)^2}{\alpha(x)} \cdot (\alpha, \epsilon_x) - (\beta, \beta) \\ &= \sum_{x,y} \left(\frac{\beta(x)^2 \alpha(y)}{\alpha(x)} - \beta(x)\beta(y) \right) (\epsilon_x, \epsilon_y) \\ &= \sum_{x,y} \alpha(x)\alpha(y) \left(\left(\frac{\beta(x)}{\alpha(x)} \right)^2 - \frac{\beta(x)\beta(y)}{\alpha(x)\alpha(y)} \right) (\epsilon_x, \epsilon_y) \\ &= \sum_{x,y} \frac{\alpha(x)\alpha(y)}{2} \left(\frac{\beta(x)}{\alpha(x)} - \frac{\beta(y)}{\alpha(y)} \right)^2 (\epsilon_x, \epsilon_y) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly replacing β by $\alpha - \beta$, we get the comparison for the second term. Get $(\beta, \alpha - \beta) \leq 0$.

Equality holds if and only if

$$\frac{\beta(x)}{\alpha(x)} = \frac{\beta(y)}{\alpha(y)} \quad \forall x, y \text{ and } \frac{2\beta(x)}{\alpha(x)} \cdot (\alpha - \beta)(x) (\alpha, \epsilon_x) = 0.$$

The first cond. gives $\beta = c\alpha$ ($\beta \neq 0$).

The second cond. implies $(\alpha, \epsilon_x) = 0$ since $\beta \neq \alpha$.

Quiver over other fields

Can remove indivisible condition by using finite fields.

Reduction mod p :

Prop. 8.4.8.

Has k (or inf.) indecomp. in α over \mathbb{C}

iff has k (or inf.) such over $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ for inf. many prime.

$\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ is union of \mathbb{F}_q , $q = p^k$ for prime p .

Advantage of \mathbb{F}_q , $q = p^k$ for prime p :

Finite number of rep. classes in α .

indecomp. in $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ is $(k \rightarrow \infty)$ -limit of

absolutely indecomp. in \mathbb{F}_{p^k} defined below.

For field extension F' over F , have "pull-back"

$F' \otimes_F V$ (rep. over F')

for rep. V over F .

(Take $1 \otimes_F V(a)$ for arrows a .)

Note:

can still regard $F' \otimes_F V$ as rep. over F , which is isom. to $V^{\oplus d}$

where d is deg. of field ext.

Absolutely indecomp.:

$\bar{F} \otimes_F V$ is indecomp.

"Pulling back" is injective:

Lem. 8.4.1.

$F' \otimes_F V \cong F' \otimes_F W$ over $F' \iff V \cong W$ over F .

Proof.

\leftarrow is clear.

\Rightarrow)

Isom. over F' is also isom. over F .

$V^{\oplus d} \cong W^{\oplus d}$

and hence $V \cong W$

by Krull-Remak-Schmidt theorem (which holds over any field).

(Same indecomp. summands and same multiplicities.)

Strategy:

$a_\alpha := \#(\text{abs. indecomp. in } \alpha)$

is indep. of arrow orientation.

(Don't need indivisibility of α this time.)

Also $a_{\sigma_x \cdot \alpha} = a_\alpha$

if $a_\alpha \neq 0$ and $\alpha \neq \epsilon_x$.

Then reduce to either ϵ_x (real root)

or (im. root)

those $\alpha > 0$, but $(\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0$ and α has conn. supp.

in which case we already know

$a_\alpha = 1$ or ∞ respectively.

Work over F_q now, $q = p^k$ for prime p .

First show that

rep. in α is indep. of orientation of Q .

Then show that

indecomp. in α can be written in terms of

rep. in β for all $\beta \leq \alpha$,

and hence also indep. of orientation of Q .

Finally show that

abs. indecomp. in α can be expressed in term of

indecomp. in α/k for all $k|\alpha$,

and hence also indep. of orientation of Q .

Lem. 8.4.2.

$$|V/G| = |V^*/G|$$

for finite dim. v.s. V .

Lem. 8.4.3.

$$|(V \oplus W)/G| = |(V^* \oplus W)/G|.$$

Lem. 8.4.4.

Number of rep. in α does not depend on orientation.

Proof.

Count number of orbits of $GL_\alpha(F_q)$ in $Rep_\alpha(Q; F_q)$.

Reversing arrow: taking $(Hom(V_{h_\alpha}, V_{t_\alpha}))^* \cong Hom(V_{t_\alpha}, V_{h_\alpha})$.

Same number of orbits by Lem. 8.4.4.

Lem. 8.4.5.

i_α , the number of indecomp. rep. in α , does not depend on orientation.

Proof.

Take generating function.

$$\prod_{\alpha > 0} \frac{1}{(1 - t^\alpha)^{i_\alpha}} = \prod_{\alpha > 0} (1 + t^\alpha + t^{2\alpha} + \dots) \dots (1 + t^\alpha + t^{2\alpha} + \dots)$$

where i_α is the number of distinct indecomp. in α .

Each term is: product of $t^{k\alpha}$ from each factor, representing k copies of certain class

of indecomp. of dim. α .

Hence it equals to the generating function of rep.

$$\sum_{\alpha \geq 0} r_{\alpha} t^{\alpha}$$

where r_{α} is number of distinct rep. in α .

Thus i is determined by r .

Then follows from Lem. 8.4.4.

Now we need to study relation between indecomp. and abs. indecomp.

Given indecomp. V over F_q , take

$$\bar{F}_q \otimes_{F_q} V \text{ over } \bar{F}_q.$$

Let W be an indecomp. summand.

Then W is defined over F_{q^d} for some d .

So $F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V$ has W as indecomp. summand,

and $F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V$ is abs. indecomp.

This means,

any indecomp. after pulled back to F_{q^d} for some d

has an abs. indecomp. summand.

The following lemma shows that

$$F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V = W \oplus \Phi(W) \oplus \dots \oplus \Phi^{e-1}(W)$$

where Φ is the **Frob. aut.**

$$\Phi: F_{q^d} \rightarrow F_{q^d}, x \mapsto x^q. (q = p^k.)$$

Fixed set is the subfield F_q in F_{q^d} .

Thus the indecomp. V over F_q

gives e abs. indecomp. over F_{q^d}

(if we take d as above).

Lem. 8.4.6.

V : indecomp. over F_q .

Take $F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V$.

Let W be indecomp. summand (over F_{q^d}).

Then

$F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V = W \oplus \Phi(W) \oplus \dots \oplus \Phi^{e-1}(W)$
 (Φ is Frob. aut. on every matrix entry)
 where e is smallest such that $W \cong \Phi^e(W)$.

Proof.

For rep. W over F_{q^d} ,

take $F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} W$ (where W is taken over F_q here).

$F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} W \cong W \oplus \Phi(W) \oplus \dots \oplus \Phi^{d-1}(W)$:

Vertices:

$$\lambda \otimes v \mapsto \lambda(v, \Phi(v), \dots, \Phi^{d-1}(v)).$$

Injective and same dim., and hence iso.

Arrows:

$1 \otimes W(a)$ is identified with

$$\text{Diag}(W(a), \Phi(W(a)), \dots, \Phi^{d-1}(W(a))).$$

Note that

$\Phi(F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V) = F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V$ since arrow is $1 \otimes V(a)$ defined over F_q .

Thus once W is a direct summand, $\Phi^k(W)$ is also a direct summand.

$F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} W$ is then a direct summand of $(F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V)^{\oplus k}$.

Regard these as over F_q for the moment.

Since V indecomp., the above implies W (over F_q) is $V^{\oplus l}$.

$$\text{Then } F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} W = (F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V)^{\oplus l}.$$

$$F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} W$$

$$\cong W \oplus \Phi(W) \oplus \dots \oplus \Phi^{d-1}(W) = (W \oplus \Phi(W) \oplus \dots \oplus \Phi^{e-1}(W))^{\oplus \frac{d}{e}}.$$

All $\Phi^i(W)$ are indecomp. Thus

$$F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V = (W \oplus \Phi(W) \oplus \dots \oplus \Phi^{e-1}(W))^m.$$

$m = 1$:

V is indecomp.

Consider $\text{End}(F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} V) \cong F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} \text{End}(V)$.

Every element in $\text{End}(V)$ is either invertible or nilpotent.

Thus every non-zero element in $F_{q^d} \otimes_{F_q} \text{End}(V)/\mathfrak{n}$ is invertible.
 But this is not true for $\text{End}(M^m)$ for $m \geq 2$.
 ($\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is neither invertible nor nilpotent.)

Then we get a (better) version of Thm. 8.2.2 over \mathbb{F}_q .

Lem. 8.4.7.

a_α , the number of abs. indecomp. in α over \mathbb{F}_q , does not depend on orientation of arrows.

(Now don't need indivisibility.)

Proof.

Argue that a_α can be written in terms of i_α , which is indep. of arrow orientation.

Given indecomp V , by Lem. 8.4.6,

$$F_{q^k} \otimes_{F_q} V = W \oplus \Phi(W) \oplus \dots \oplus \Phi^{e-1}(W)$$

and W is abs. indecomp. for k big enough.

Take min. such k . Then $e = k$.

Thus

$$i_\alpha = \sum_{k|\alpha} b_{k,\alpha/k}(q)/k$$

where $b_{k,\alpha/k}$ is #abs. indecomp. over F_{q^k} that does not come from previous F_{q^l} .

Then

$$b_{k,\alpha/k}(q) = a_{\alpha/k}(q^k) - \dots$$

where the later terms involve $a_{\alpha/k}(q^l)$ for $l|k$.

In particular $b_{1,\alpha}(q) = a_\alpha(q)$.

Thus

$$i_\alpha = \sum_{k|\alpha} b_{k,\alpha/k}(q)/k = a_\alpha(q) + \dots$$

where the later terms only involves $a_{\alpha/k}$,

which can be written in terms of $i_{\alpha/k}$ by induction.

Thm. 8.4.10.

For $\alpha > 0$ that supports abs. indecomp.,

$$a_\alpha = a_{\pm w(\alpha)}$$

where we take the one in $\pm w(\alpha)$ that is > 0 .

Proof.

By Lem. 8.4.7, can make a vertex into sink,
and then do reflection at that vertex.

Unless $\alpha = \epsilon_x$, σ_x gives one-one for abs. indecomp.

For $\alpha = \epsilon_x$, take $-\sigma_x(\epsilon_x) = \epsilon_x$ and do nothing.

This realizes $\pm w$.

Thm. 8.4.11.

Now over \mathbb{C} .

α is pos. real root iff it has exactly one indecomp. (assuming no self loop)

pos. im. root iff it has inf. many indecomp.

Proof.

First consider \overline{F}_p .

By Thm. 8.4.10,

reduce to either ϵ_x (real case) or

those $\alpha > 0$, but $(\alpha, \epsilon_x) \leq 0$ and α has conn. supp. (im. case)

Already known they have one (real) (assuming no self loop)

or inf. many (im.) indecomp.

Then by Prop. 8.4.8. also true for \mathbb{C} .