

On Representation of Monomial Groups

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Abstract

Taketa shows that all monomial groups (commonly written as M-groups) are solvable. Gajendragadkar gives the notion of π -factorable character. We show that an irreducible character of an M-group is primitive if it is π -factorable. Issacs proves that product of two monomial characters is a monomial. We extend this fact to include any finite number of monomial characters consequently we prove that any product of finite number of M-groups is an M-group. We show that any group of order 45 is an M-group and for any group G, the factor group G/G' is an M-group.

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1. Introduction

The essential body of representation theory has been constructed by Richard Brauer (1901-1977). His processors; Frobenius, Burnside and Schur, gave the grand task to which character theory could make a central contribution, that is, the complete classification of finite simple groups [1], [2], [13].

T.Okuyanta [12] proved that if G is an M-group and P is Sylow P-subgroup of G, then $N_G(P)/P$ is an M-group. I.M.Issacs [7] shows that if H is a Hall subgroup of an M-group then $N_G(H)/H'$ is also and M-group.

In studying monomial groups it is important to know as much as possible about the primitive characters of its subgroups, since that every character is induced from a primitive character [4].

The following are proved:

- Any irreducible character of monomial group is primitive if it is π -factorable.
- Any finite product of monomial characters is monomial.
- The external direct product of n-copies of monomial groups is monomial.

2. Characters and M-groups

Character theory was developed by Frobenius in 1896. It provides a powerful tool for proving theorems about finite groups. No non-character theoretic description of the class of M-groups has been found. We use character techniques to gain more information and facts about M-groups.

2.1 Definition [8]:

Let χ be a character of G, then χ is monomial if $\chi = \lambda^G$ where λ is a linear character of some subgroup of G.

2.2 Definition [7]:

Let G be any group, we denote by $Irr(G)$ for the set of all irreducible characters of G.

2.3 Definition [8]:

A group G is an M-group (monomial group) if every $\chi \in Irr(G)$ is monomial character.

2.4 Theorem (Taketa) [1]:

Every M-group is solvable

2.5 Theorem [8]:

Every nilpotent group is an M-group.

2.6 Definition [2]:

Let $\pi = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ be a non-empty set of primes a π -number is a positive integer whose prime divisors belong to π . An element of a group is called a π -element if its order is a π -number and if every element of a group is π -element, the group is called π -group.

2.7 Remark:

Let π be a set of primes define π' to be the complement primes of π , the π' -number is a positive integer whose prime divisors does not belong to π . An element of a group is called a π' -element if its order is a π' -number and if every element of a group is π' -element the group is called π' -group.

2.8 Definition [9]:

Let G be a finite group and let π be a nonempty set of primes. Then G is said to be π -separable if it has normal series each factor of which is either a π -group or π' -group.

2.9 Definition [7]:

Let χ be a character of G and let $\det \chi = l$ be the uniquely defined linear character, write $o(c) = o(l)$ the order of l as an element of the group of linear characters of G is called the determinantal order of χ

2.10 Definition [6]:

Let $c \in Irr(G)$, and let π be a set of primes. Then χ is π -special, (π' -special) provided that $\chi(1)$ is a π -number (π' -number) and that for all subnormal subgroups $S \ll G$ and all irreducible constituents θ of c_S , the determinantal order $O(\theta)$ is a π -number, (π' -number).

2.11 Definition [6]:

Let $c \in Irr(G)$, we say that χ is π -factorable if there exist $z, h \in Irr(G)$, z is p -special and h is p' -special such that $c = zh$.

2.12 Definition [8]:

Irreducible characters whose restriction to every normal subgroup is homogeneous (multiples of an irreducible) are called quasi-primitive.

2.13 Theorem [6]:

Let G be a π -separable. Then every quasi-primitive $c \in Irr(G)$ is π -factorable.

2.14 Definition [8]:

Let G be any group, $N < G$, $q \in Irr(N)$ then q is called primitive if it cannot be obtained by inducing any character of proper subgroup.

2.15 Proposition [6]:

Let G be π -separable and let $c \in Irr(G)$ be primitive. Then χ factors as a product of primitive π -special and π' -special characters.

2.16 Lemma [9]:

Let G be any group, $x, h \in Irr(G)$ are monomial and $c = xh \in Irr(G)$ then χ is monomial.

3 Main Results and Applications**3.1 Definition [7]:**

If $c = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i c_i$, then those c_i with $n_i \neq 0$ are called the irreducible constituent of c

3.1 Proposition:

Let G be a π -separable group, $c \in Irr(G)$ is quasi-primitive. Then the π -special and π' -special factors of χ are quasi-primitive.

Proof:

We can write $c = zh$ where z is π -special and h is π' -special. Let $N < G$ and let a and b be irreducible constituent of z_N and h_N respectively, then ab is irreducible and is a constituent of c_N . Since χ is quasi-primitive it follows that ab is G -invariant and thus a and b are G -invariant by the uniqueness of factorization.

3.2 Theorem:

Let G be an M -group. Then $c \in Irr(G)$ is primitive if it is π -factorable.

Proof:

Let $c \in Irr(G)$ be a primitive, since G is M -group then by theorem 2.4 G is solvable and hence π -separable. Since χ is primitive it is quasi-primitive and by theorem 2.13 χ is π -factorable.

3.3 Remark:

Any finite product of monomial characters is monomial.

3.4 Proposition:

External direct product of n -copies of monomial group is monomial.

Proof:

Let G_i be monomial group for each i , to show that $\prod_{i=1}^n G_i$ is monomial. Let

$c = \prod_{i=1}^n h_i \in Irr(\prod_{i=1}^n G_i)$ where $h_i \in G_i$, since G_i is monomial group for each i , by Definition 2.1 h_i is monomial character for

each i , by Remark 3.3 $c = \prod_{i=1}^n h_i$ is monomial

therefore $\prod_{i=1}^n G_i$ is monomial group.

3.5 Proposition: Any group of order 45 is an M-group.

Proof:

Let G be any group of order 45, since $45 = 3^2 \cdot 5$ G has a 3-sylow subgroup H of order 9 and a 5-sylow subgroup K of order 5. Let n is the number of the distinct conjugates of H , then $n = 1 + 3r$ ($r \geq 0$) and n divides 45 the only possibility is $r = 0$ thus $n = 1$ and hence H is normal in G . Similarly K is normal in G , we have $G = HK$. Since $|HK| = |H||K| = 45$ thus G isomorphic to $H \times K$ but H is abelian and K is cyclic [11] so G is abelian and hence it is nilpotent therefore by theorem 2.5 it is an M-group.

3.6 Proposition: Let G be a group and let G' be the derived subgroup of G , then G/G' is an M-group.

Proof:

We know that G' is normal in G , let $x, y \in G$ then;
 $(xG')(yG) = xyG' = xy[(x^{-1}y^{-1})x]G' = (xyx^{-1}y^{-1})xG' = yG' = yG'G'$
 since $(xyx^{-1}y^{-1}) \in G'$ thus G/G' is abelian and hence nilpotent (in fact every abelian group is nilpotent group of class one) therefore it is M-group by theorem 2.5.

3.7 Proposition:

The quotient group $GL(2, R) / SL(2, R)$ is an M-group.

Proof:

We show that $SL(2, R)$ is the derived subgroup of $GL(2, R)$ and by using proposition 3.9 we are done. The mapping $GL(2, R) \rightarrow$ defined by $x \rightarrow \det(x)$ is a homomorphism with kernel $SL(2, R)$, thus the special linear group is a normal subgroup and $[GL(2, R)]' \subseteq SL(2, R)$.

Now, the following matrices are the generators of $SL(2, R)$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & r \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} t & 0 \\ 0 & 1/t \end{pmatrix}, \quad (r, s, t \in R, t \neq 0)$$

Where

if $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, R)$ we have two cases;

when

$$c \neq 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & (a-1)/c \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ c & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & (d-1)/c \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

When $c = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 1/a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b/a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

And the calculation below show that the generators of $SL(2, R)$ are commutators

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -r \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & r \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & r \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -s & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t & 2t \\ 2t^2 & t^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1/3t & 2/3t^2 \\ 2/3t & -1/3t^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t & 0 \\ s & 1/t \end{pmatrix}$$

And therefore we have:

$$SL(2, R) \subseteq [GL(2, R)]'$$

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