

## Solutions to Sheet 11

E4.1)

Claim 1: The  $V[\chi]$  are linearly independent.

Proof: We proceed as in the proof of linear independence of characters (lemma 7.3).

Choose  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_n \in X(G)$  with  $n$  minimal and  $v_i \in V[\chi_i] \forall i$  such that  $\sum v_i = 0$ . Choose  $\tau \in G$  s.th.  $\chi_1(\tau) \neq \chi_2(\tau)$ . Then:

$$\sum \chi_i(\tau) \cdot v_i = \sum \rho(\tau)(v_i) = \rho(\tau)(\sum v_i) = \rho(\tau)(0) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \chi_1(\tau) \cdot \sum v_i - \sum \chi_i(\tau) \cdot v_i = \sum_{i \geq 2} (\chi_1(\tau) - \chi_i(\tau)) v_i$$

As  $\chi_1(\tau) - \chi_2(\tau) \neq 0$ , we got a contradiction to our assumption  $n$  minimal.

Claim 2: The  $V[\chi]$  span  $V$ .

Proof:  $G$  is a torus, hence diagonalizable. Thus we may choose a basis  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  of  $V$  s.th.  $G$  acts via diagonal matrices wrt. this basis. Consider now for each  $i = 1, \dots, m$  the character

$$\chi_i: G \xrightarrow{\rho} D_m \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_i} \mathbb{C}^* \\ \text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_m) \longmapsto a_i$$

Then by choice of the basis  $\{v_i\}$  we have  $\forall g \in G$

$$\rho(g)(v_i) = \chi_i(g) \cdot v_i$$

$$\Rightarrow v_i \in V[\chi_i]$$

$$\Rightarrow v_i \text{ span } V.$$

E4.2)

(a) View the closed subgroup  $\mathbb{C}^* \in D_n$  as a cocharacter  $\eta: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow D_n$ .

By E39, choose  $\chi: D_n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  s.th.  $\chi \circ \eta = \text{id}_{\mathbb{C}^*}$  and define

$$H' = \ker(\chi).$$

To see that  $m: \mathbb{C}^* \times H' \rightarrow D_n, (h, h') \mapsto h \cdot h'$  is an isomorphism,

we give the inverse as  $m^{-1}: D_n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \times H', g \mapsto (\chi(g), g \cdot \chi(g^{-1}))$ .

$$\text{Indeed: } m \circ m^{-1}(g) = m(\chi(g), g \cdot \chi(g^{-1})) = \chi(g) \cdot g \cdot \chi(g^{-1})^{-1} = g.$$

$$\text{and } m^{-1} \circ m(h, h') = m^{-1}(h \cdot h') = (\chi(h \cdot h'), h \cdot h' \cdot \chi(h \cdot h')^{-1}) = (h, h \cdot h' \cdot h^{-1}) = (h, h').$$

(b) We proceed quite similarly: Choose any embedding  $G \hookrightarrow D_n$ .

Then (after choosing an isomorphism  $H \cong G_m^d$  for some  $d$ ) the composition

$H \xrightarrow{\eta} G \hookrightarrow D_n$  is given by a  $d$ -tuple of cocharacters

$(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_d)$ . Choose by E39, for each  $\eta_i$  a character  $\chi_i$  with

$\chi_i \circ \eta_i = \text{id}$ . This defines a morphism

$$\chi = (\chi_1, \dots, \chi_d): D_n \rightarrow H$$

such that  $\chi \circ \eta = \text{id}_H$ . We now define:

$$H' = G \cap \ker(\chi) = G \cap \bigcap_i \ker(\chi_i).$$

Via the same computations as in (a) the multiplication morphism

$m: H \times H' \rightarrow G$  has an inverse

$$m^{-1}: G \rightarrow H \times H', \quad g \mapsto (\chi(g), g \cdot \chi(g)^{-1}).$$

E43,

(a) If  $g$  is semi-simple, then its conjugacy class is closed by theorem 8.3.

If  $g$  is not semi-simple, assume wlog that it is given by its

Jordan normal form, which has non-trivial entries off the diagonal.

Then for all  $a \in K$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , the matrix with ~~coordinates~~ coefficients  $a_{ij}$

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} \text{same as } g & \text{if } i=j \\ a & \text{if } i \neq j \text{ and coeff. of } g \text{ is equal to } 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

lies in the conjugacy class of  $g$ . Hence the closure of the

conjugacy class contains the diagonal matrix with diagonal entries

as in  $g$  (but 0 otherwise), which does not lie in the

conjugacy class of  $g$ . Hence  $g$ 's conjugacy class cannot

be closed.

(b) Consider the unipotent groups  $G$  acting on itself by conjugation.

Then the conjugacy class of some  $g \in G$  is just the orbit of this

action, which is automatically closed by E36.

E44)

(a) We first compute the centralizer in  $GL_5$ :

$$s \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{15} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{51} & \dots & a_{55} \end{pmatrix} s^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{13} & -a_{14} & -a_{15} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{31} & \dots & a_{33} & -a_{34} & -a_{35} \\ -a_{41} & \dots & -a_{43} & a_{44} & a_{45} \\ -a_{51} & \dots & -a_{53} & a_{54} & a_{55} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence  $C_{GL_5}(s) = GL_3 \times GL_2 \subseteq GL_5$ .

$$\Rightarrow C_H(s) = H \cap (GL_3 \times GL_2) = O_3 \times O_2 \subseteq O_5.$$

By E16) we have  $\mathcal{L}(O_n) = \{A \in K^{n \times n} \mid A = -A^T\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(C_H(s)) &= \mathcal{L}(O_3 \times O_2) = \mathcal{L}(O_3) \oplus \mathcal{L}(O_2) = \\ &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{pmatrix}, A_1 \in K^{3 \times 3}, A_2 \in K^{2 \times 2}, A_1 = -A_1^T, A_2 = -A_2^T \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Again by E16) we have

$$\mathcal{L}(H) = \mathcal{L}(O_5) = \{A \in K^{5 \times 5} \mid A = -A^T\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then: } C_{\mathcal{L}(H)}(s) &= \{A \in \mathcal{L}(H) \mid \text{Ad}(s)(H) = H\} = \\ &= \{A \in \mathcal{L}(H) \mid sHs^{-1} = H\} = \text{(same computation as above)} \\ &= \mathcal{L}(H) \cap (K^{3 \times 3} \oplus K^{2 \times 2}) = \\ &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{pmatrix}, A_1 \in K^{3 \times 3}, A_2 \in K^{2 \times 2}, A_1 = -A_1^T, A_2 = -A_2^T \right\}. \end{aligned}$$