

MA8403 Week 2

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1. Question 1

Consider a C_2 -Mackey of the form

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{Z} \\ \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \quad \uparrow \\ \mathbb{Z}_{sgn} \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

where \mathbb{Z}_{sgn} denotes \mathbb{Z} with the C_2 action that sends 1 to -1. Show that this is necessarily a “split” Mackey functor, in the sense that both the restriction and transfer maps are necessarily zero.

2. Question 2

Let \underline{M} be a C_2 -Mackey functor. Describe the induced Mackey functor $\text{Ind}_{C_2}^{C_4} \underline{M}$.

3. Question 3

Recall that the Burnside ring for $G = C_2$ is $A(C_2) \cong \mathbb{Z}\{C_2/C_2, C_2/e\}$ and that the Burnside Mackey functor is given by

$$\mathbb{A}_{C_2} = \begin{array}{c} \mathbb{Z}\{C_2/C_2, C_2/e\} \\ (1 \ 2) \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbb{Z}\{e\} \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \end{array}$$

1. Show that, as a ring, $A(C_2) \cong \mathbb{Z}[a_1]/(a_1^2 = 2a_1)$, where a_1 corresponds to C_2/e .

Hint: In G -sets there is a Mackey decomposition,

$$G/H \times G/K \cong \coprod_{HgK \in H \backslash G/K} G/(H^g \cap K).$$

2. Show that the linearization homomorphism $\mathbb{A}_{C_2} \rightarrow RO(C_2)$ is an isomorphism (this is special to $G = C_2$).