

# Investigating the sporadic finite subgroups of $SL(3, \mathbb{C})$ and their McKay quivers

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# Background

- Representations, G-modules, and characters for a (finite) group G
- Irreducible characters form an orthonormal basis for class functions  $CF(G)$  with sesquilinear form on  $C[G]$ :

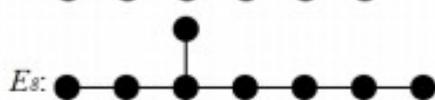
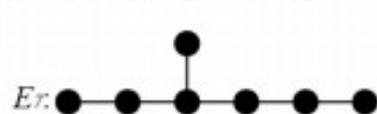
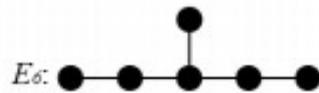
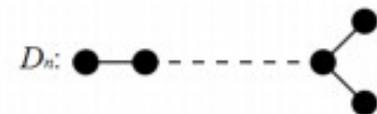
$$(f_1, f_2)_G = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{x \in G} f_1(x) \overline{f_2(x)}$$

- #Irreducible characters = #Conjugacy Classes

# Motivation

**Definition** A *quiver* is a directed graph; a collection of vertices with arrows between them instead of undirected edges. The *McKay quiver* of a group  $G$  with a given representation  $Q$  is the quiver with a vertex for each irreducible representation  $\rho$  of  $G$  and having the number of arrows between  $\rho$  and  $\rho'$  as the multiplicity with which  $\rho'$  occurs in the decomposition of  $\rho \otimes Q$  into irreducibles. This is  $\dim \text{Hom}_G(\rho', \rho \otimes Q)$ .

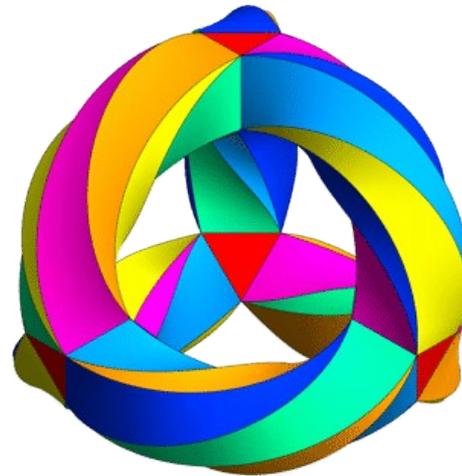
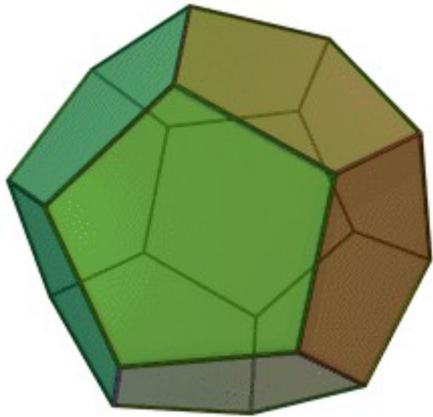
**Theorem 2.3.** (*McKay correspondence in 2D*) The finite subgroups of  $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$  are in bijective correspondence with the Dynkin diagrams  $A_n, D_n, E_6, E_7, E_8$  via  $G \rightsquigarrow$  the Du Val singularity  $\mathbb{C}^2/G$ . The corresponding resolution diagram (that is, the appropriate Dynkin diagram) is the truncated McKay quiver of  $G$ .



Dynkin Diagrams	Finite Subgroup of $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$
$A_n$	Cyclic
$D_n$	Dihedral $BD_{2n}$
$E_6$	Tetrahedral $BT_{24}$
$E_7$	Octahedral $BO_{48}$
$E_8$	Icosahedral $BI_{220}$

# Idea

- To learn about the finite subgroups of  $SL(3, \mathbb{C})$  and compute their McKay quivers



# Literature

- A classification of the finite subgroups of  $SL(3, \mathbb{C})$  can be found in [Yau-Yu, 1993][4] or [Carrasco, 2014][2]
- There are four infinite families and eight exceptional cases. Explicit generators are provided.

- (A) diagonal Abelian groups;
- (B) groups coming from finite subgroups of  $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$ ;
- (C) groups generated by (A) and  $T$ ;
- (D) groups generated by (C) and  $Q$ ;
- (E) group of order 108 generated by  $S, T, V$ ;
- (F) group of order 215 generated by (E) and  $P = UVU^{-1}$ ;
- (G) Hessian group of order 648 generated by (E) and  $U$ ;
- (H) group of order 60 isomorphic to the alternating group of degree five,  $A_5$ ;
- (I) group of order 168 isomorphic to the permutation group generated by  $(1234567), (142)(356), (12)(35)$ ;
- (L) group  $G$  of order 1080 whose quotient  $G/F$  is isomorphic to alternating group  $A_6$ ;

where

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix}, T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, V = \frac{1}{i\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{pmatrix},$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon\omega \end{pmatrix}, P = \frac{1}{i\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega \\ \omega & 1 & \omega \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & c & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$F = \{I_3, \omega I_3, \omega^2 I_3\},$$

and  $abc = -1, \omega = \exp \frac{2\pi i}{3}, \varepsilon = (\exp \frac{2\pi i}{9})^2 = \exp \frac{4\pi i}{9}$ .

But they missed two types of subgroups which were given by Yau and Yu in [YY, 1993] in 1993, completing the classification (up to conjugacy):

- (J) Group of order 180 generated by (H) and  $F$ ;
- (K) Group of order 504 generated by (I) and  $F$ .

# Sporadic Cases

to (D). Hence, since  $U$  is a 3-cycle,  $U$  is in (D) or  $UVU^{-1}$  in the cases considered. We therefore have the following types:

(E) Group of order 108 generated by  $S_1, T$ , of (C) and  $V$  of (3).

(F) Group of order 216 generated by  $S_1, T, V$  and  $UVU^{-1}$  of (3).

(G) Group of order 648 generated by  $S_1, T, V$  and  $U$  of (3).

These groups are all primitive, and they all contain (D) as a normal subgroup (in fact  $(C) \triangleleft (D) \triangleleft (E) \triangleleft (F) \triangleleft (G)$ ). The group (G) is called the Hessian group.

[4]

Order	3	27	54	108	216	648
Group	(A)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)

60	180
(H)	(J)

168	504
(I)	(K)

60	1080
(H)	(L)

# Methodology

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- Tensor product of modules/representations is simply pointwise product for characters

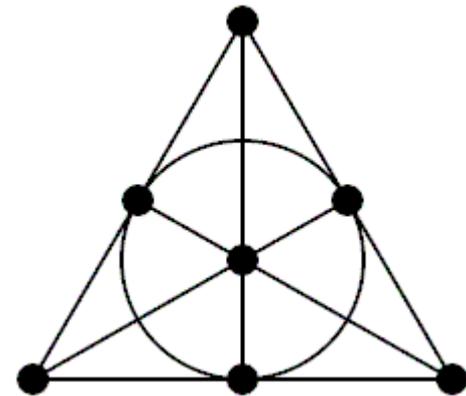
$$\dim \text{Hom}_G(\rho_j, \rho_i \otimes Q) = (\chi_j, \chi_i \chi_Q)_G$$

- Character method seems most accessible
- Found character tables for simple groups (H), (I). [5]

# Enter Magma

- Implementing the exceptional cases in Magma
- Ambiguity in [YY] arising from [Mi-BI-Di] typo
- Kronecker – Weber Theorem

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65 // Groups I, K as per Yau, Yu.
66 K21<math>\mathfrak{m}</math>> := CyclotomicField(21);
67 // Constants  $\omega = \exp(2\pi i/3)$ ,  $\beta = \exp(2\pi i/7)$ 
68  $\omega := \mathfrak{m}^7$ ;
69  $\beta := \mathfrak{m}^3$ ;
70 GL3K := GeneralLinearGroup(3, K21);
71
72 // Generators
73 s := GL3K ! [ $\beta, 0, 0, 0, \beta^2, 0, 0, 0, \beta^4$ ];
74 t := GL3K ! [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0];
75 // Constant  $c = -1/\sqrt{-7}$ 
76 c := 1/7 * ( $\beta + \beta^2 + \beta^4 - \beta^3 - \beta^5 - \beta^6$ );
77 r := GL3K ! [c*( $\beta^4 - \beta^3$ ), c*( $\beta^2 - \beta^5$ ), c*( $\beta -$ 
78  $\omega$  := GL3K ! [ $\omega, 0, 0, 0, \omega, 0, 0, 0, \omega$ ];
79
80 // Simple group of order 168
81 I := MatrixGroup< 3, K21 | [s,t,r] >;
82 // Group of order 504
83 K := MatrixGroup< 3, K21 | I, $\omega$  >;
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# Working with Magma

- Character Tables and Tensor Decomposition

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1 -----
2 Character Table of Group E of Order 108
3 -----
4 Class |  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 11 12 13 14
5 Size  |  1  9  1  1 12 12 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9
6 Order |  1  2  3  3 3 3 4 4 6 6 12 12 12 12
7 -----
8 p = 2  1  1  4  3 5 6 2 2 3 4 10 9 9 10
9 p = 3  1  2  1  1 1 1 8 7 2 2 7 8 7 8
10 -----
11 X.1 +  1  1  1  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
12 X.2 +  1  1  1  1 1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 -1
13 X.3 0  1 -1  1  1 1 1 I -I -1 -1 -I  I -I
14 X.4 0  1 -1  1  1 1 1 -I I -1 -1  I -I  I
15 X.5 0  3 -1 3*J-3-3*J 0 0 -1 -1 1+J -J 1+J -J -J 1+J
16 X.6 0  3 -1-3-3*J 3*J 0 0 -1 -1 -J 1+J -J 1+J 1+J -J
17 X.7 0  3 -1-3-3*J 3*J 0 0 1 1 -J 1+J  J -1-J -1-J  J
18 X.8 0  3 -1 3*J-3-3*J 0 0 1 1 1+J -J -1-J  J  J -1-J
19 X.9 0  3 1-3-3*J 3*J 0 0 -I  I  J-1-J  Z1-Z1#5 Z1#5 -Z1
20 X.10 0  3 1 3*J-3-3*J 0 0 -I I-1-J  J Z1#5 -Z1 Z1-Z1#5
21 X.11 0  3 1-3-3*J 3*J 0 0 I -I  J-1-J -Z1 Z1#5-Z1#5 Z1
22 X.12 0  3 1 3*J-3-3*J 0 0 I -I-1-J  J-Z1#5 Z1 -Z1 Z1#5
23 X.13 +  4  0  4  4 1 -2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
24 X.14 +  4  0  4  4 -2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
25 -----
26 Explanation of Character Value Symbols
27 -----
28 J = RootOfUnity(3)
29 I = RootOfUnity(4)
30 Z1 = (CyclotomicField(12: Sparse := true)) ! [ RationalField() | 0, 0, 0, 1]

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// Simple group of order 60
H := MatrixGroup< 3, K15 | [s,u,t] >;

CT := CharacterTable(H);
Decomposition(CT, CT[2]*CT[2]);
Decomposition(CT, CT[2]*CT[3]);
Decomposition(CT, CT[2]*CT[4]);
Decomposition(CT, CT[2]*CT[5]);

Decomposition(CT, CT[3]*CT[3]);
Decomposition(CT, CT[3]*CT[4]);
Decomposition(CT, CT[3]*CT[5]);

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[
  1,
  1,
  0,
  0,
  1
]
( 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 )
[
  0,
  0,
  0,
  1,
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]
( 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 )

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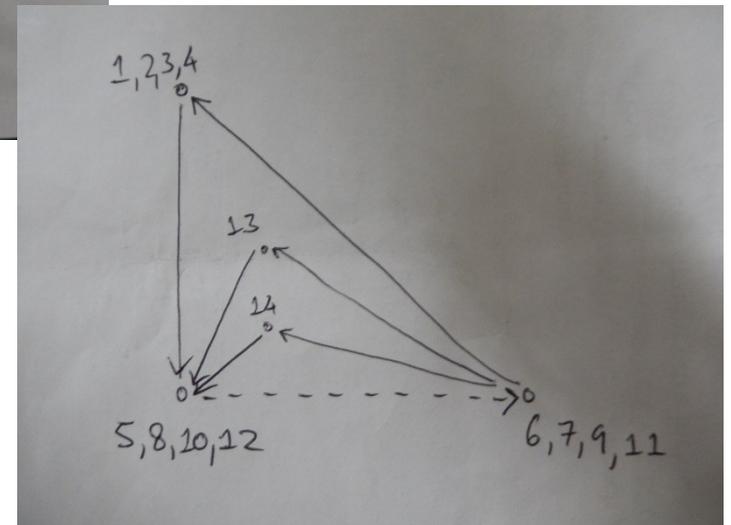
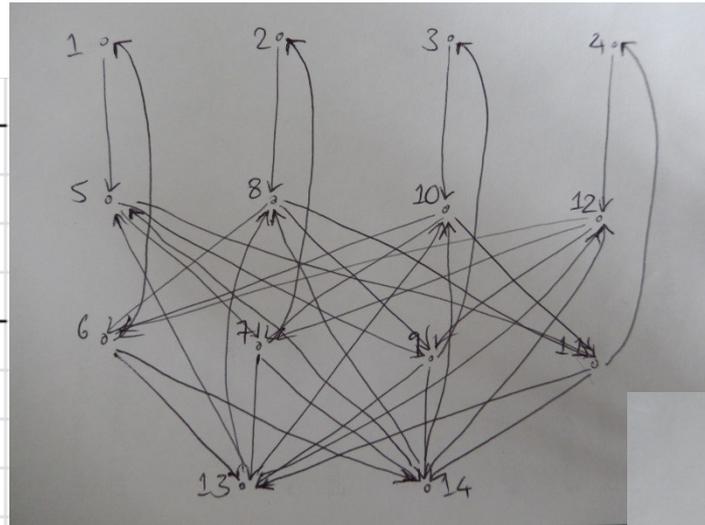
- Tabulation of Data in Excel, some shortcuts

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Group E	X1	X2	X3	X4	X5	X6	X7
2	X1	X1	X2	X3	X4	X5	X6	X7
3	X2	X2	X1	X4	X3	X8	X7	X6
4	X3	X3	X4	X2	X1	X10	X9	X11
5	X4	X4	X3	X1	X2	X12	X11	X9
6	X5	X5	X8	X10	X12	$X7 + X9 + X11$	$X1 + X13 + X14$	$X2 + X13 + X14$
7	X6	X6	X7	X9	X11	$X1 + X13 + X14$	$X8 + X10 + X12$	$X5 + X10 + X12$
8	X7	X7	X6	X11	X9	$X2 + X13 + X14$	$X5 + X10 + X12$	$X8 + X10 + X12$
9	X8	X8	X5	X12	X10	$X6 + X9 + X11$	$X2 + X13 + X14$	$X1 + X13 + X14$
10	X9	X9	X11	X7	X6	$X3 + X13 + X14$	$X5 + X8 + X12$	$X5 + X8 + X10$
11	X10	X10	X12	X8	X5	$X6 + X7 + X11$	$X3 + X13 + X14$	$X4 + X13 + X14$
12	X11	X11	X9	X6	X7	$X4 + X13 + X14$	$X5 + X8 + X10$	$X5 + X8 + X12$
13	X12	X12	X10	X5	X8	$X6 + X7 + X9$	$X4 + X13 + X14$	$X3 + X13 + X14$
14	X13	X13	X13	X13	X13	$X5 + X8 + X10 + X12$	$X6 + X7 + X9 + X11$	$X6 + X7 + X9 + X11$
15	X14	X14	X14	X14	X14	$X5 + X8 + X10 + X12$	$X6 + X7 + X9 + X11$	$X6 + X7 + X9 + X11$
16								
17	Group F	X1	X2	X3	X4	X5	X6	X7
18	X1	X1	X2	X3	X4	X5	X6	X7
19	X2	X2	X1	X4	X3	X5	X8	X9
20	X3	X3	X4	X1	X2	X5	X7	X6
21	X4	X4	X3	X2	X1	X5	X9	X8
22	X5	X5	X5	X5	X5	$X1 + X2 + X3 + X4$	X14	X14
23	X6	X6	X8	X7	X9	X14	$X10 + X15$	$X11 + X15$
24	X7	X7	X9	X6	X8	X14	$X11 + X15$	$X10 + X15$
25	X8	X8	X6	X9	X7	X14	$X13 + X15$	$X12 + X15$

# Results

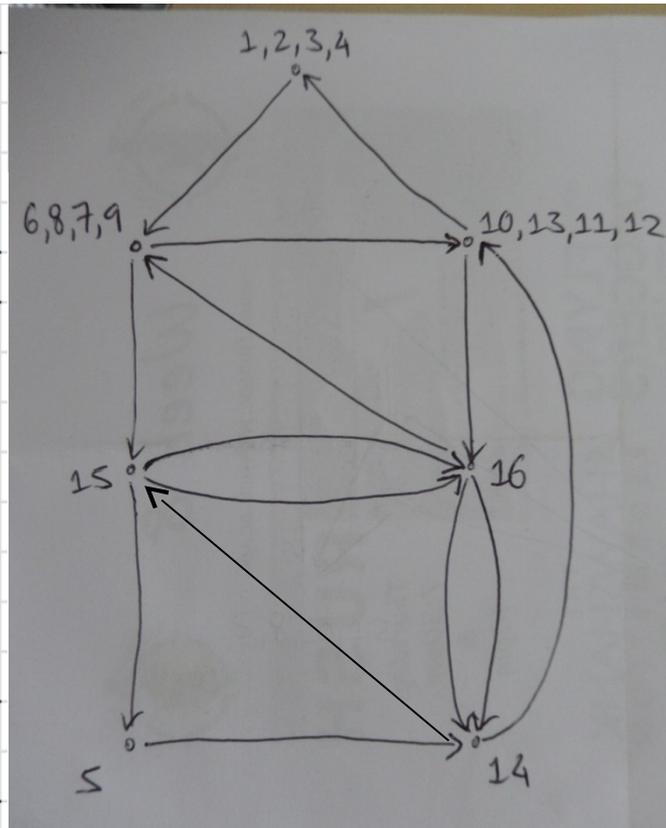
- McKay Quiver where  $Q$  is the inclusion of  $G$  into  $SL(3, \mathbb{C})$

	Group E	X5
1	X1	X5
1	X2	X8
1	X3	X10
1	X4	X12
3	X5	X7 + X9 + X11
3	X6	X1 + X13 + X14
3	X7	X2 + X13 + X14
3	X8	X6 + X9 + X11
3	X9	X3 + X13 + X14
3	X10	X6 + X7 + X11
3	X11	X4 + X13 + X14
3	X12	X6 + X7 + X9
4	X13	X5 + X8 + X10 + X12
4	X14	X5 + X8 + X10 + X12



# Results

	Group F	X6
1	X1	X6
1	X2	X8
1	X3	X7
1	X4	X9
2	X5	X14
3	X6	$X_{10} + X_{15}$
3	X7	$X_{11} + X_{15}$
3	X8	$X_{13} + X_{15}$
3	X9	$X_{12} + X_{15}$
3	X10	$X_1 + X_{16}$
3	X11	$X_3 + X_{16}$
3	X12	$X_4 + X_{16}$
3	X13	$X_2 + X_{16}$
6	X14	$X_{10} + X_{11} + X_{12} + X_{13} + X_{15}$
6	X15	$X_5 + 2X_{16}$
8	X16	$X_6 + X_7 + X_8 + X_9 + 2X_{14}$



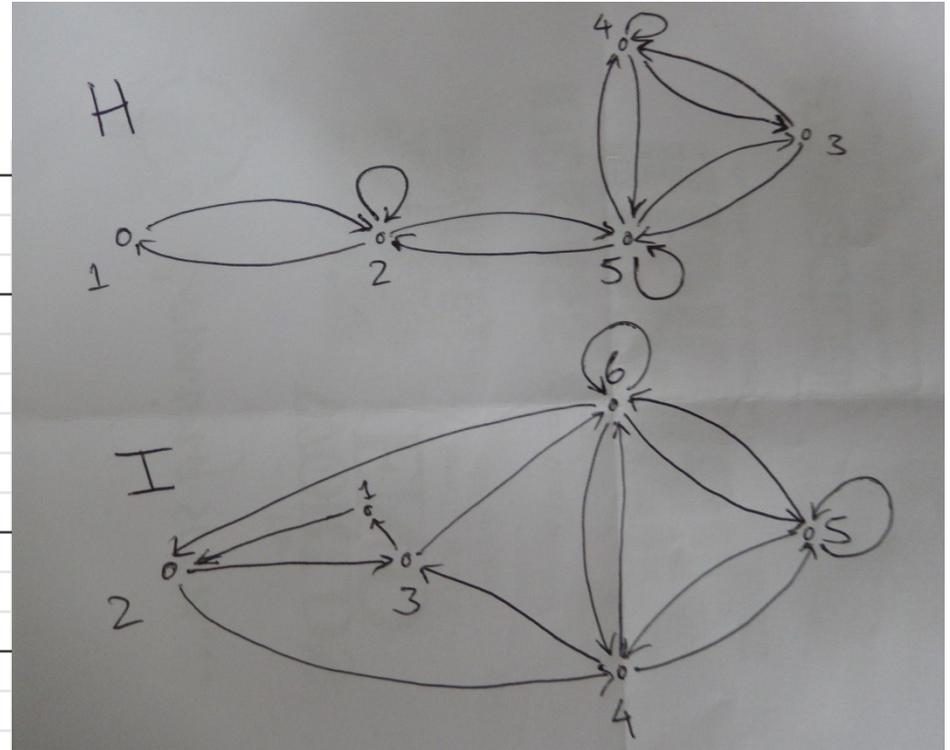
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	Group H	X2
1	X1	X2
3	X2	$X1 + X2 + X5$
3	X3	$X4 + X5$
4	X4	$X3 + X4 + X5$
5	X5	$X2 + X3 + X4 + X5$

	Group J	X4
1	X1	X4
1	X2	X6
1	X3	X8
3	X4	$X1 + X4 + X13$
3	X5	$X10 + X13$
3	X6	$X2 + X6 + X14$
3	X7	$X12 + X15$
3	X8	$X3 + X8 + X15$
3	X9	$X11 + X14$
4	X10	$X5 + X10 + X13$
4	X11	$X9 + X11 + X14$
4	X12	$X7 + X12 + X15$
5	X13	$X4 + X5 + X10 + X13$
5	X14	$X6 + X9 + X11 + X14$
5	X15	$X7 + X8 + X12 + X15$

	Group I	X2
1	X1	X2
3	X2	$X3 + X4$
3	X3	$X1 + X6$
6	X4	$X3 + X5 + X6$
7	X5	$X4 + X5 + X6$
8	X6	$X2 + X4 + X5 + X6$

	Group K	X4
1	X1	X4
1	X2	X7
1	X3	X6
3	X4	$X5 + X10$
3	X5	$X1 + X16$
3	X6	$X8 + X12$
3	X7	$X9 + X11$
3	X8	$X3 + X17$
3	X9	$X2 + X18$
6	X10	$X5 + X13 + X16$
6	X11	$X9 + X15 + X18$
6	X12	$X8 + X14 + X17$
7	X13	$X10 + X13 + X16$
7	X14	$X12 + X14 + X17$
7	X15	$X11 + X15 + X18$
8	X16	$X4 + X10 + X13 + X16$
8	X17	$X6 + X12 + X14 + X17$
8	X18	$X7 + X11 + X15 + X18$



# Observations

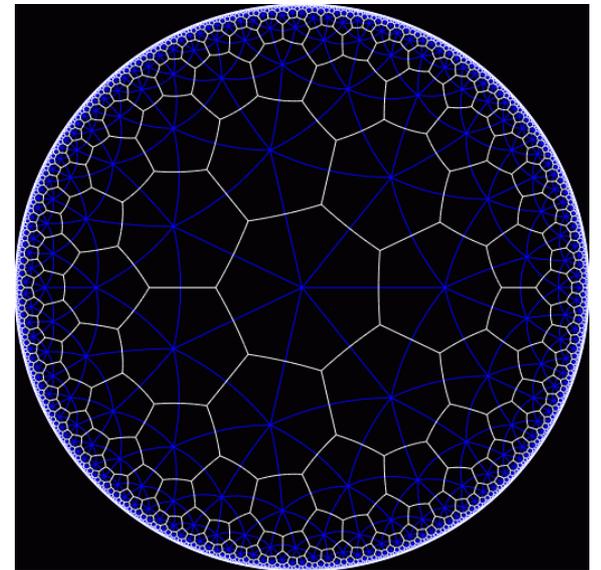
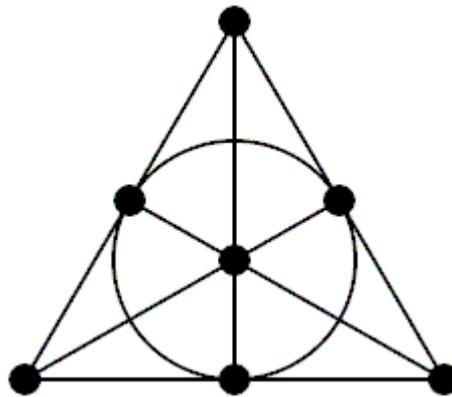
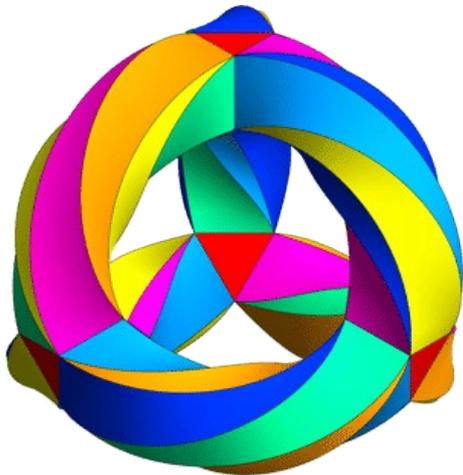
- Linear (degree 1) characters form a group which acts on the set of irreducible characters
- Inclusion representation was used for quivers, but the quivers by the dual or twists of the chosen representation are isomorphic
- High levels of symmetry in most cases
- Tripling in the cases (H,J) and (I,K)

# Potential Future Directions

- Presenting difficult quivers in a meaningful way
- Understanding quivers at the level of representations/modules
- Further study into the four infinite families
- Significance of orbits by linear character action
- Significance of (normal) (abelian) subgroups on quivers (w.r.t. induction)
- McKay Quiver generator program for groups with known character table

# Conclusion

- Independent research
- Working with Magma
- Relations between different areas of research



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