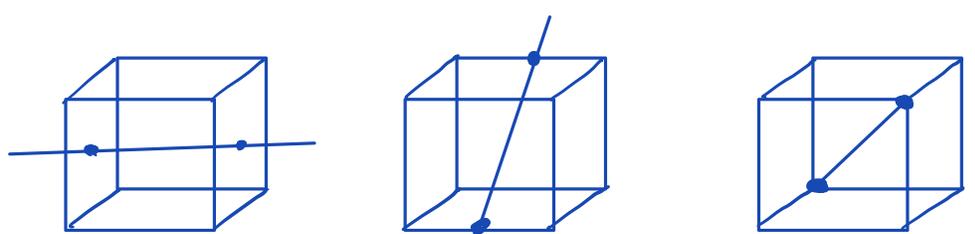
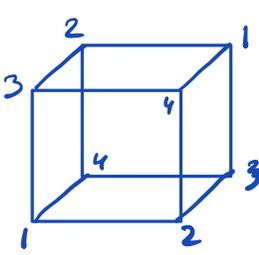


1a) rotational symmetries of cube

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 3 such axes  $90^\circ, 180^\circ, 270^\circ$    
 6 such axes  $180^\circ$    
 4 such axes  $120^\circ, 240^\circ$

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 These are the permutations of the 4 diagonals:   

  
 $(1423)$   $(12)(34)$   $(1324)$   $(12)$   $(123)$    
 #: 6 3 6 8

$\Rightarrow 1 + 9 + 6 + 8 = 24 = [9] \text{ of } S_4$

b)  $S_4$ : disjoint cycle structure: #   
 $(e) = (1)(2)(3)(4)$

$\binom{4}{2} \rightarrow 6$	$(12) = \{(12), (13), (14), (23), (24), (34)\}$
$\binom{4}{3} \cdot 2 \rightarrow 8$	$(123) = \{(123), (124), (132), (142), (234), (243), (134), (143)\}$
$\frac{1}{2} \binom{4}{2} \rightarrow 3$	$(12)(34) = \{(12)(34), (13)(24), (14)(23)\}$
$3! \rightarrow 6$	$(1234) = \{(1234), (1324), (1423), (1243), (1342), (1432)\}$
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5 classes  $\rightarrow$  5 irreps:  $\sum_i n_i^2 = 24$ .

$n_1 = 1$        $n_i \leq 4$ .

$n_2^2 + n_3^2 + n_4^2 + n_5^2 = 23$	
x 9 9 9	> 23
1 4 9 9	= 23 ✓
x 4 4 9	
9 16	> 23
4 4 16	> 23

hence   
 $n_1 = n_2 = 1$     2x 1D irrep   
 $n_3 = 2$         1x 2D irrep   
 $n_4 = n_5 = 3$     2x 3D irrep

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1 1 4 16 < 123 etc

one of these is  $D^V$

1c)  
 $\chi^V(\theta) = 1 + 2\cos\theta$

	(e)	(12)	(123)	(12)(34)	(1234)
$\theta$	$0^\circ$	$180^\circ$	$120^\circ$	$180^\circ$	$90^\circ$
	3	-1	0	-1	1

$$\left( \frac{1}{24} \sum_g |\chi^V(g)|^2 = \frac{1}{24} (9+6+0+3+6) = 1 \right)$$

$$\langle \chi^{(1)}, \chi^V \rangle = \frac{1}{24} (1 \cdot 3 + 6 \cdot (-1) + 8 \cdot 0 + 3 \cdot (-1) + 6 \cdot 1) = 0$$

So no EOM allowed. ( $D^V$  irrep so no preferred direction allowed)

2a)  $S_3 \cong D_3 = \text{grp}\{b, c\}$  with  $b^2 = c^3 = (bc)^2 = e$

$$D^4(c)^3 = \mathbb{1}, \quad D^4(b)^2 = \mathbb{1}, \quad D^4(bc)^2 = \mathbb{1}$$

$$D^4(b)D^4(c) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = D^4(bc)$$

$$\Rightarrow D^4(bc)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 = \mathbb{1} \quad \checkmark \quad (b \cdot c = (12)(123) = (23))$$

2b)

irrep:  $\frac{1}{[g]} \sum_g |\chi(g)|^2 = 1$

$\chi(e) = \text{dim irrep} = d$

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$$\sum_g |\chi(g)|^2 = |\chi(e)|^2 + \sum_{g \neq e} |\chi(g)|^2 \geq d^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{[g]} \sum_g |\chi(g)|^2 \geq \frac{d^2}{[g]}$$

no if  $d^2 > [g]$  never = 1. hence no irrep

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$S_3$  character table

	(e)	(c)	(b)
$D^{(1)}$	1	1	1
$D^{(2)}$	1	1	-1
$D^{(3)}$	2	-1	0

$$\chi^L = (3, 0, 1)$$

$$\chi^L = \chi^{(1)} + \chi^{(3)}$$

$$D^L \sim D^{(1)} \oplus D^{(3)}$$

(irreducible directions:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ )

2c)

$$\det D^L(c) = 1, \quad \det D^L(b) = -1, \quad D^L(g) \in O(3) \quad D^{L^T(g)} D^L(g) = \mathbb{1}$$

If  $S_3$  is viewed as subgrp of  $O(3)$  reps, i.e.  
 as  $C_{3v} \cong S_3$  rather than  $D_3 \cong S_3$ , then  $D^V \sim D^2$ .  
 $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 $\chi^V = (3, 0, 1)$   $\chi^V = (3, 0, -1)$

3a)  $O(2)$  defining rep:  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \equiv R(\theta)$

&  $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  :  $\{R(\theta), PR(\theta)\} \leftarrow$  defining rep of  $O(2)$

3b)  $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{pmatrix}$   $\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w_x \\ w_y \end{pmatrix}$   $v_x w_y - v_y w_x$   
 $\downarrow R(\theta)$   
 $v'_x w'_y - v'_y w'_x = (\cos \theta v_x + \sin \theta v_y)(-\sin \theta w_x + \cos \theta w_y)$   
 $- (-\sin \theta v_x + \cos \theta v_y)(\cos \theta w_x + \sin \theta w_y)$   
 $= \cos^2 \theta v_x w_y - \sin^2 \theta v_y w_x$   
 $+ \sin^2 \theta v_x w_y - \cos^2 \theta v_y w_x$   
 $= v_x w_y - v_y w_x$  invariant

$v_x w_y - v_y w_x \xrightarrow{P} -v_x w_y + v_y w_x = -(v_x w_y - v_y w_x)$  not invariant

$\Rightarrow$  pseudoscalar in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

3c)  $O(2)$  invariant system tensor of rank 2:  $T_{ij}$

invariant tensor satisfies:  $[D^V_{(g)}, T] = 0 \quad \forall g \in G$

2D rep  $D^V$  of  $O(2)$  is an irrep, so Schur's lemma implies  $T = \lambda \mathbb{1}$   
 hence only 1 type of invariant tensor is allowed:  $T_{ij} = \lambda \delta_{ij}$

<u>weights</u>	1a) 12	2a) 10	3a) 8
	1b) 12	2b) 12	3b) 10
	1c) 10	2c) 8	3c) 8

grade =  $\sum \text{points} / 10 + 1$  rounded off