

# Physics 331 - Problem Set #1

## Solutions

1.) The  $t^a$  as given satisfy  $\text{tr}[t^a t^b] = \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ab}$

(note  $\text{tr}(t^8)^2 = \frac{1}{12} [1 + 1 + 4] = \frac{1}{2}$  ) .

Then

$$\text{tr } t^c [t^b, t^c] = \text{tr } t^a \text{ if } bcad \text{ } t^d = \frac{i}{2} f^{bca}$$

but  $= \text{tr}[t^a t^b t^c - t^a t^c t^b]$  which is totally antisymmetric by the cyclic invariance of the trace.

So we need only compute one of each triple e.g.  $f^{123}, f^{312}, f^{321}$

$$[t^1, t^2] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 2i & & \\ & -2i & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{i}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[t^1, t^3] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & \\ 2 & 0 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{i}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & \\ i & 0 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so  $[t^1, t^3] = it^3$   $[t^1, t^2] = -it^2$

$\therefore f^{123} = f^{312} = f^{231} = 1 = -f^{132} = -f^{321} = -f^{213}$

$$[t^1, t^4] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^7$$

$$[t^1, t^5] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline i & 0 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline -i & 1 \end{array} \right) = -\frac{i}{2} t^6$$

$$[t^1, t^6] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline -1 & 0 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^5$$

$$[t^1, t^7] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -i \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline -i & 0 \end{array} \right) = -\frac{i}{2} t^4$$

$$[t^2, t^4] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & -i \\ \hline i & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & i \\ \hline i & 1 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^6$$

$$[t^2, t^5] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} i & -1 \\ \hline -1 & i \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline i & 0 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 1 \\ \hline -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^7$$

$$[t^2, t^6] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} i & -i \\ \hline -i & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline -i & 1 \end{array} \right) = -\frac{i}{2} t^4$$

$$[t^2, t^7] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} i & -1 \\ \hline -1 & i \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline -i & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -1 \\ \hline 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) = -\frac{i}{2} t^5$$

$$[t^3, t^4] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -1 \\ \hline -1 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 1 \\ \hline -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^5$$

$$[t^3, t^5] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -1 \\ \hline -1 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline i & 0 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline -i & 1 \end{array} \right) = -\frac{i}{2} t^4$$

$$[t^3, t^6] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -1 \\ \hline -1 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) = -\frac{i}{2} t^7$$

$$[t^3, t^7] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -1 \\ \hline -1 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & -i \\ \hline -i & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & i \\ \hline -i & 1 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^6$$

in this way, the nonzero components of  $f^{abc}$  are:

$$f^{147} = +\frac{1}{2} = -f^{174}$$

$$f^{156} = -\frac{1}{2} = -f^{165}$$

$$f^{246} = \frac{1}{2} = -f^{264}$$

$$f^{257} = +\frac{1}{2} = -f^{275}$$

$$\text{and } f^{345} = \frac{1}{2} = -f^{354} \quad f^{367} = -\frac{1}{2} = -f^{376}$$

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and cyclic permutations of these formulae.

$$\begin{aligned} [t^4, t^5] &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline i & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & i \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{i}{2} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) \\ &= i \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 1 \\ \hline -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & -2 \end{array} \right) \right] \\ &= i \left[ \frac{1}{2} t^3 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t^8 \right] \end{aligned}$$

this confirms  $f^{453} = \frac{1}{2} = f^{345}$  and since  $f^{458} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$$[t^4, t^6] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline i & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^2$$

this confirms  $f^{462} = f^{246} = \frac{1}{2}$

$$[t^4, t^7] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline i & 0 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & i \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} i & i \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) = +\frac{i}{2} t^1$$

$$[t^5, t^6] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -i & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & i \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -i & -i \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) = -\frac{i}{2} t^1$$

$$[t^5, t^7] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -i & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & i \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i}{2} t^2$$

these confirm:

$$f^{471} = f^{147} = +\frac{1}{2} \quad f^{561} = f^{156} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f^{572} = f^{257} = +\frac{1}{2}$$

$$[t^6, t^7] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} -1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{i}{2} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= i \left[ -\frac{1}{2} t^3 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t^8 \right]$$

confirming  $f^{673} = f^{367} = -\frac{1}{2}$  and since  $f^{678} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

we could stop here, since cyclic symmetry gives:

$$f^{845} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad f^{867} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

but we could also check these results:

$$\begin{aligned} [t^8, t^4] &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 1 \\ \hline -2 & \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 0 \\ \hline 10 & \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1+2 & \\ \hline -2-10 & 0 \end{array} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} \cdot 4} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 3 & \\ \hline 3 & 0 \end{array} \right) = \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} t^5 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [t^8, t^6] &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 1 \\ \hline -2 & \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & \\ \hline 0 & -1+2 \end{array} \right) \\ &= i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} t^7 \end{aligned}$$

In all, the nonzero elements of  $f^{abc}$  are

$$\begin{aligned} f^{123} &= 1 \\ f^{147} &= \frac{1}{2} & f^{156} &= -\frac{1}{2} & f^{246} &= \frac{1}{2} & f^{257} &= -\frac{1}{2} \\ f^{345} &= \frac{1}{2} & f^{367} &= -\frac{1}{2} & f^{845} &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & f^{867} &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and elements related by total antisymmetry.

Now compute  $f^{abc} f^{abd}$ .

First consider cases  $c=d$ :

$$\begin{aligned} c=d=1: & (f^{231})^2 + (f^{321})^2 + (f^{471})^2 + (f^{561})^2 + (f^{741})^2 + (f^{651})^2 \\ &= 2 \cdot [(f^{231})^2 + (f^{471})^2 + (f^{561})^2] \\ &= 2 \cdot [1^2 + (\frac{1}{2})^2 + (\frac{1}{2})^2] = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
c=d=2 & \quad 2 \left[ (f^{132})^2 + (f^{462})^2 + (f^{572})^2 \right] = 2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \right) = 3 \\
c=d=3 & \quad 2 \left[ (f^{123})^2 + (f^{453})^2 + (f^{643})^2 \right] = 2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \right) = 3 \\
c=d=4 & \quad 2 \left[ (f^{714})^2 + (f^{624})^2 + (f^{534})^2 + (f^{584})^2 \right] \\
& \quad = 2 \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \right] = 3 \\
c=d=5 & \quad 2 \left[ (f^{615})^2 + (f^{725})^2 + (f^{345})^2 + (f^{485})^2 \right] = 3 \\
c=d=6 & \quad 2 \left[ (f^{156})^2 + (f^{246})^2 + (f^{736})^2 + (f^{786})^2 \right] = 3 \\
c=d=7 & \quad 2 \left[ (f^{147})^2 + (f^{257})^2 + (f^{367})^2 + (f^{867})^2 \right] = 3 \\
c=d=8 & \quad 2 \left[ (f^{458})^2 + (f^{678})^2 \right] = 2 \cdot \left( \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \right) = 3
\end{aligned}$$

For  $c \neq d$ , it is not possible in most cases to find nonzero contributions for  $f^{abc} f^{abd}$ . For example, for  $c=1$   $d=2$ , there is no  $a, b$  st.

$$f^{ab1} f^{ab2} \text{ is nonzero.}$$

The only exception is  $c=3$   $d=8$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
f^{ab3} f^{ab8} &= 2 \left[ f^{453} f^{458} + f^{673} f^{678} \right] \\
&= 2 \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right] = 0
\end{aligned}$$

so indeed  $f^{abc} f^{abd} = 3 \delta^{cd}$  for  $SU(3)$

2.) a)  $\langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi \rangle = (-ie)^2 \bar{u} \gamma^\mu u \frac{-i}{q^2} \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u$  6

for nonrelativistic fermions, this is.  $\bar{u} \gamma^\mu u \approx 2m \delta_{\mu 0}$

$$\approx +ie^2 \frac{1}{|q|^2} (2m)^2 = -i \left( \frac{e^2}{|q|^2} \right) (2m)^2$$

This implies  $\tilde{V}(q) = + \frac{e^2}{|q|^2}$  and  $V(r) = + \frac{e^2}{4\pi r}$

b.) If  $\Psi(x) \rightarrow e^{-iQ\alpha(x)} \Psi(x)$ , we want to find

$$D_\mu \Psi \text{ s.t. } D_\mu \Psi \rightarrow e^{-iQ\alpha(x)} D_\mu \Psi \text{ with } A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu - \frac{1}{e} \partial_\mu \alpha$$

for  $D_\mu = (\partial_\mu - ieQ A_\mu)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} D_\mu \Psi &\rightarrow (\partial_\mu - ieQ A_\mu + iQ \partial_\mu \alpha) e^{-iQ\alpha(x)} \Psi \\ &= e^{-iQ\alpha(x)} [\cancel{\partial_\mu} - iQ \cancel{\partial_\mu \alpha} - ieQ A_\mu + iQ \partial_\mu \alpha] \Psi(x) \\ &= e^{-iQ\alpha(x)} [\partial_\mu - ieQ A_\mu] \Psi(x) \end{aligned}$$

so this form of  $D_\mu$  satisfies the requirement.

The locally gauge invariant Dirac Lagrangian is then

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} (i \gamma^\mu D_\mu - m) \Psi = \bar{\Psi} (i \not{\partial} - m) \Psi + \bar{\Psi} e Q \not{A} \Psi$$

$$\text{so } \Delta H = - e Q \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \Psi A_\mu$$

the corresponding Feynman rule is

$$\text{---} = +ieQ\gamma^\mu$$

c.) 
$$Q_1 \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} Q_2 = (+ieQ_1)(+ieQ_2) \bar{u}\gamma^\mu u \frac{-i}{q^2} \bar{u}\gamma_\mu u$$

$$= +ie^2 Q_1 Q_2 (2m)^2 \frac{1}{-|q|^2} = -i(2m)^2 \frac{e^2 Q_1 Q_2}{|q|^2}$$

so 
$$\tilde{V}(q) = + \frac{Q_1 Q_2 e^2}{|q|^2} \quad \text{or} \quad V(r) = + \frac{Q_1 Q_2 e^2}{4\pi r}$$

d.) In Yang-Mills theory, the gauge invariant Dirac equation is

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi}_r (i\not{D} - m) \Psi_r \quad \mathcal{D}_r = \partial_r - ig A_r^a t_r^a$$

for  $\Psi$  in representation  $r$

$$= \bar{\Psi}_r (i\not{\partial} - m) \Psi_r + g A_r^a \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu t_r^a \Psi$$

so 
$$\text{---} = ig \gamma^\mu t_r^a$$

then 
$$r_1 \text{---} \text{---} r_2 = (ig)^2 \bar{u}\gamma^\mu u \frac{-i}{q^2} \bar{u}\gamma_\mu u \cdot t_{r_1}^a \otimes t_{r_2}^a$$

$$= -ig^2 (2m)^2 \frac{1}{|q|^2} \cdot (t_{r_1}^a \otimes t_{r_2}^a)$$

$$s. \quad \tilde{V}(g) = + \frac{g^2}{|\vec{g}|^2} t_{r_1}^a \otimes t_{r_2}^a$$

$$a. \quad V(r) = + \frac{g^2}{4\pi r} (t_{r_1}^a \otimes t_{r_2}^a)$$

e.) Now, in the product representation  $r_1 \times r_2$

$$t^a = t_{r_1}^a \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes t_{r_2}^a$$

$$\begin{aligned} t^2 &= (t_{r_1}^a t_{r_1}^a) \otimes 1 + 2 t_{r_1}^a \otimes t_{r_2}^a + 1 \otimes t_{r_2}^a t_{r_2}^a \\ &= C_2(r_1) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 2 t_{r_1}^a \otimes t_{r_2}^a + C_2(r_2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

The states of the irreducible representation  $r_I$  are those eigenstates of  $t^2$  for which  $t^2 = C_2(r_I)$

so in the irreducible representation  $r_I$ :

$$t_{r_1}^a \otimes t_{r_2}^a = \frac{1}{2} [C_2(r_I) - C_2(r_1) - C_2(r_2)]$$

In these states

$$V = \frac{g^2}{4\pi r} \cdot \frac{1}{2} [C_2(r_I) - C_2(r_1) - C_2(r_2)]$$

f.) If we take  $r_I = \frac{1}{2}$   $C_2(r_I) = 0$ . Then

$$\text{for } r \times \bar{r} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \quad V = - \frac{g^2 C_2(r)}{4\pi r}$$

There is a nice way to check this: In  $SU(N)$

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$$N \times \bar{N} = \underbrace{1}_{\text{singlet}} + \underbrace{(N^2-1)}_{\text{adjoint}}$$

In the singlet state  $t_N^a \otimes t_N^a = \frac{1}{2} [-2C_2(N)] = -\left(\frac{N^2-1}{2N}\right)$

In the adjoint states  $t_N^a \otimes t_N^a = \frac{1}{2} [C_2(G) - 2C_2(N)]$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \left[ N - 2 \cdot \frac{N^2-1}{2N} \right] = +\frac{1}{2N}$

but there are  $N^2-1$  states in  $G$ . so

$$\text{tr} [ t_N^a \otimes t_N^a ] = -\frac{N^2-1}{2N} + (N^2-1) \cdot \frac{1}{2N} = 0$$

this is as required:  $\text{tr} [ t_N^a \otimes t_N^a ] = (\text{tr} t_N^a) \cdot (\text{tr} t_N^a) = 0 \cdot 0 = 0$  ✓

3.) Every non-Abelian Lie group  $G$  has an  $SU(2)$  subgrp.

Let  $a, b = 1, 2, 3$  be the generators of this  $SU(2)$ . Now

consider  $\text{tr} t_r^a t_r^b = C(r) \delta^{ab}$

a.) set  $a=b$  and sum over  $a=b=1,2,3$

$$\text{tr} \left[ \sum_{a=1,2,3} (t_r^a)^2 \right] = 3 C(r)$$

but  $\sum_{a=1,2,3} (t_r^a)^2 = J^2$ , the quadratic Casimir operator in the  $SU(2)$ . If  $r$  decomposes under  $SU(2)$  as

$$r \rightarrow \sum_i j_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \text{tr } J^2 &= \sum_i \dim(j_i) C_2(j_i) \\ &= \sum_i (2j_i + 1) j_i(j_i + 1) \end{aligned}$$

then  $3 C(r) = \sum_i (2j_i + 1) j_i(j_i + 1)$

b.) In  $SU(N)$ , let a basis vector of the  $N$  repndent

be  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Let  $t^1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$      $t^2 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$      $t^3 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} +1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & +1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$t^1, t^2, t^3$  generate an  $SU(2)$  subgroup of  $SU(N)$ .

under this subgroup, the  $N$  transforms as

$$1 \text{ (spin } \frac{1}{2}) + (N-2) \text{ singlets. (spin } 0)$$

$$3 C(N) = \underbrace{2 \cdot \frac{3}{4}}_{\text{spin } \frac{1}{2}} + 0 = \frac{3}{2}$$

so  $C(N) = \frac{1}{2}$

the adjoint representation transforms as

$$1 \text{ spin } 1 \quad \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \alpha & \\ \hline 1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \end{array} \right), \quad \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \alpha & \\ \hline i & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \end{array} \right), \quad \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} & \\ \hline & \\ \hline & -1 \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$

$$2(N-2) \text{ spin } \frac{1}{2} \quad \left( \begin{array}{c|c} & \\ \hline & \alpha \\ \hline & \end{array} \right), \quad \left( \begin{array}{c|c} & \\ \hline & \beta \\ \hline & \end{array} \right)$$

and singlets

[another way to see this:  $N = (\frac{1}{2}) + (N-2)(0)$

$$\bar{N} = (\frac{1}{2}) + (N-2)(0)$$

$$N \times \bar{N} = (\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}) + (N-2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \times 0 + (N-2)(0 \times \frac{1}{2}) + (0 \times 0) \cdot 0.$$

$$= 1 + 0 + 2(N-2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 0 \cdot 0.$$

but  $N \times \bar{N} = (\text{adj}) + 0$  ]

then

$$\begin{aligned} 3C(G) &= \frac{3 \cdot 2}{1} + 2(N-2) \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} + 0 \\ &= 3 \cdot [2 + (N-2)] = 3N \end{aligned}$$

so  $C(G) = N \rightarrow C_2(G) = N$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c.) } (N \times N)_{\text{symmetric}} &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}\right)_{\text{symmetric}} + (N-2) \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 0\right) + 0'_{\circ} \\ &= (1) + (N-2) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 0'_{\circ} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (N \times N)_{\text{antisymmetric}} &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}\right)_{\text{antisymmetric}} + (N-2) \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 0\right) \\ &\quad + 0'_{\circ} \\ &= (0) + (N-2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 0'_{\circ} \end{aligned}$$

so

$$3C(\text{anti}) = (N-2) \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} = 3 \cdot \frac{(N-2)}{2}$$

$$3C(\text{symm.}) = 3 \cdot 2 + (N-2) \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} = 3 \cdot \left(\frac{N+2}{2}\right)$$

low  $d(\text{anti}) = \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$        $d(\text{symm}) = \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$

$$C_2(\text{anti}) = \frac{d(\text{anti})}{d(\text{anti})} C(\text{anti}) = \frac{N^2-1}{\frac{N(N-1)}{2}} \cdot \frac{N-2}{2} = \frac{(N+1)(N-2)}{N}$$

$$C_2(\text{sym}) = \frac{d(\text{sym})}{d(\text{sym})} C(\text{sym}) = \frac{N^2-1}{\frac{N(N+1)}{2}} \cdot \frac{N+2}{2} = \frac{(N-1)(N+2)}{N}$$

how  $\text{tr}(t_{r_1, r_2}^2) = [C_2(r_1) + C_2(r_2)] d(r_1) d(r_2)$   
 $= \sum_i C_2(r_i) d(r_i) \quad \text{for } r_1, r_2 = \sum r_i$

check this with  $N \times N = (\text{anti}) + (\text{symm.})$

$$[C_2(N) + C_2(N)] d(N) \cdot d(N) = \frac{N^2-1}{2N} \cdot 2 \cdot N^2 = N(N^2-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i C_2(r_i) d(r_i) &= C_2(\text{anti}) \cdot d(\text{anti}) + C_2(\text{sym}) \cdot d(\text{sym}) \\ &= \frac{(N+1)(N-2)}{N} \cdot \frac{N(N-1)}{2} + \frac{(N-1)(N+2)}{N} \cdot \frac{N(N+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{(N^2-1) \cdot N}{N} \cdot \left[ \frac{(N-2)}{2} + \frac{N+2}{2} \right] \\ &= N(N^2-1) = (\text{above}) \checkmark \end{aligned}$$