

**ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE PERRON-VANNIER
REPRESENTATION AND THE NATURAL MAP $P_n \mapsto P_{2n}$**

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Abstract: We study the composition of F.R. Cohen's map $P_n \mapsto P_{2n}$ with the Perron and Vannier representation, where P_n is the pure braid group on n strings. We prove that the obtained representation of P_n has one of its composition factors the inverse of the Gassner representation of the pure braid group.

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1. Introduction

The pure braid group, P_n , is a normal subgroup of the braid group, B_n , on n strings. One of the most important representations of P_n is the Gassner representation which comes from embedding $P_n \hookrightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_n)$, by means of Magnus representation [6]. Here \mathbb{F}_n is the free group with n generators. Another type of representations, introduced by H. A. Haidar and M. N. Abdulrahim, is a representation of the pure braid group on three strands $P_3 \hookrightarrow GL_6(\mathbb{C})$. This representation turned out to be a direct sum of irreducible subrepresentations (see [3]). We also have a representation introduced by F.R. Cohen, the map $B_n \mapsto B_{nk}$, which is defined on geometric braids by replacing each string with

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k strings. It was proven in [1] that by composing Cohen's map $B_n \mapsto B_{2n}$ with the representation introduced by M. Wada [7], we obtain a representation whose one of the composition factors is isomorphic to the Burau representation. A similar work was done on the pure braid group. In [2], it was proven that composing Cohen's map $P_n \mapsto P_{nk}$ with the Gassner representation gives us a linear representation of P_n whose composition factors are one copy of the Gassner representation of P_n and $k - 1$ copies of a diagonal representation, hence a direct sum of one-dimensional representations.

There are several faithful representations of braids as automorphisms of free groups. The most popular among them is the Artin representation $B_n \mapsto \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_n)$, and similarly the extended Artin representation $B_n \mapsto \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_{n+1})$. We also have the Jones-Wenzl representation of the braid group (see [4]). Another one is the Perron and Vannier representation $B_n \mapsto \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_{n-1})$, and its extensions in $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_n)$ and $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_{n+1})$, [5]. It was proven that the extended Perron and Vannier representation in $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_{n+1})$ is not equivalent to the extended Artin representation. On the other hand, the extended Perron and Vannier representation in $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_n)$ is shown to be a Wada representation (see [5]).

We consider, in Section 3 of our work, Cohen's map $P_n \mapsto P_{2n}$ and compose it with the extended Perron and Vannier representation in $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_n)$. We show that the obtained linear representation has a composition factor isomorphic to the inverse of Gassner representation (Theorem 1).

2. Preliminaries

The braid group on n strings, B_n , is the abstract group with generators $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$ and a presentation as follows:

$$\sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n-2,$$

$$\sigma_i \sigma_j = \sigma_j \sigma_i, \quad |i - j| > 2.$$

The pure braid group, P_n , is defined as the kernel of the homomorphism $B_n \mapsto S_n$ defined by $\sigma_i \mapsto (i \ i+1)$, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, where S_n is the symmetric group of n elements. It admits a presentation with generators:

$$A_{ij} = \sigma_{j-1} \sigma_{j-2} \dots \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i^2 \sigma_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \sigma_{j-2}^{-1} \sigma_{j-1}^{-1}, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq n.$$

Definition 1. The Gassner representation $\gamma_n : P_n \mapsto \text{Aut}(\mathbb{F}_n)$, where \mathbb{F}_n

is the free group generated by $\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$, is defined by

$$\gamma_n(A_{ij}) = \begin{cases} x_r \mapsto x_r, & r < i \text{ or } r > j, \\ x_i \mapsto x_i x_j x_i x_j^{-1} x_i^{-1}, \\ x_j \mapsto x_i x_j x_i^{-1}, \\ x_r \mapsto (x_i x_j x_i^{-1} x_j^{-1}) x_r (x_i x_j x_i^{-1} x_j^{-1})^{-1}, & i < r < j. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 1. *The image of A_{ij} , under the inverse of Gassner representation, is given by*

$$\gamma_n^{-1}(A_{ij}) = \begin{cases} x_r \mapsto x_r, & r < i \text{ or } r > j, \\ x_i \mapsto x_j^{-1} x_i x_j, \\ x_j \mapsto x_j^{-1} x_i^{-1} x_j x_i x_j, \\ x_r \mapsto (x_j^{-1} x_i^{-1} x_j x_i) x_r (x_j^{-1} x_i^{-1} x_j x_i)^{-1}, & i < r < j. \end{cases}$$

We now introduce the extension of the representation given by Perron and Vannier [5]. For simplicity, we call the representation Perron-Vannier representation.

Definition 2. ([5]) The Perron-Vannier representation is defined as follows:

$$Pcp^{(1)} : B_n \mapsto Aut(\mathbb{F}_n)$$

$$\sigma_1 \mapsto Pcp^{(1)}(\sigma_1) = \begin{cases} y_1 \mapsto y_1, \\ y_2 \mapsto y_1^{-1} y_2, \\ y_j \mapsto y_j, & j > 2, \end{cases}$$

and for $i = 2, 3, \dots, n-1$

$$\sigma_i \mapsto Pcp^{(1)}(\sigma_i) = \begin{cases} y_{i-1} \mapsto y_{i-1} y_i, \\ y_{i+1} \mapsto y_i^{-1} y_{i+1}, \\ y_j \mapsto y_j, & j \neq i-1, i+1, \end{cases}$$

where $\mathbb{F}_n = \langle y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle$.

We now introduce the fox derivatives as follows.

Definition 3. Let \mathbb{F}_n be a free group of rank n with free basis z_1, \dots, z_n . We define for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ the free derivatives on the group $\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{F}_n]$ by

$$(i) \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial z_j} = \delta_{ij},$$

- (ii) $\frac{\partial z_i^{-1}}{\partial z_j} = -\delta_{ij} z_i^{-1}$,
- (iii) $\frac{\partial}{\partial z_j}(uv) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial z_j}\epsilon(v) + u\frac{\partial v}{\partial z_j}$, $u, v \in \mathbb{Z}[F_n]$.

Note that $\epsilon(v) = 1$ if $v \in \mathbb{F}_n$. Here δ_{ij} is the Kronecker symbol.

3. Cohen representation

Definition 4. The Cohen representation is the map $B_n \mapsto B_{nk}$ defined as follows:

$$\sigma_i \mapsto 1 \times \sigma_i$$

$$= (\sigma_{ki}\sigma_{ki+1}\dots\sigma_{ki+k-1})(\sigma_{ki-1}\sigma_{ki}\dots\sigma_{ki+k-2})(\sigma_{ki-k+1}\sigma_{ki-k+2}\dots\sigma_{ki}).$$

Here $1 \times \sigma_i$ is the braid obtained by replacing each string of the geometric braid, σ_i , with k parallel strings. Cohen called $1 \times \sigma_i$ a tensor product. For simplicity, we replace $1 \times \sigma_i$ by τ_i .

Here, we take the special case $k = 2$. Our objective is to construct a linear representation of P_n of degree $2n$ in the following way: Consider the following map: $P_n \mapsto P_{2n} \mapsto GL_{2n}(\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}])$, where the first map is the restriction of the Cohen representation to P_n and the second one is the restriction of the Perron-Vannier representation to P_{2n} . Next, we find a set of generators of the group \mathbb{F}_{2n} . We determine the action of the automorphism corresponding to τ_i on this basis of \mathbb{F}_{2n} . Then we find the image of A_{ij} under the Cohen map and determine the action on the basis of \mathbb{F}_{2n} . After applying free differential calculus to this element of $Aut(\mathbb{F}_{2n})$, we get a linear representation of degree $2n$. Given the generators of \mathbb{F}_n , namely x_1, \dots, x_n , we choose a certain basis of elements z_i , each of which is a word in these x_i 's. More precisely, we have, for $1 \leq i \leq n$

$$z_i = y_{2i-1}$$

and

$$z_{n+i} = y_{2i-1} \cdot y_{2i} \dots y_{2n}.$$

Here,

$$y_i = x_i x_{i+1}^{-1}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 2n-1$$

and

$$y_{2n} = x_{2n}.$$

Proposition 1. For $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ and $1 \leq j \leq 2n$, the action of τ_i on the generators $\{z_j\}$ of \mathbb{F}_{2n} , under the Perron-Vannier representation, is given by

- (i) $z_i \mapsto z_{i+1}$,
- (ii) $z_{i+1} \mapsto z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i z_{i+1}$,
- (iii) $z_{n+i} \mapsto z_{n+i+1}$,
- (iv) $z_{n+i+1} \mapsto z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i+1}$,
- (v) $z_j \mapsto z_j \quad \text{for all } j \neq i, i+1, n+i, n+i+1$.

Proof. The action of σ_i 's on the generators y_i 's is given by Perron-Vannier (see Definition 2).

(i) We have that $\tau_i = \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1} \sigma_{2i}$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_i(z_i) &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1} \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i-1}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1}(y_{2i-1} y_{2i}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1}(y_{2i-1} y_{2i-1}^{-1} y_{2i}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i} y_{2i+1}) \\ &= y_{2i} y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i+1} \\ &= y_{2i+1} \\ &= z_{i+1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad \tau_i(z_{i+1}) &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1} \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i+1}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1}(y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i+1}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1}(y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i-1} y_{2i+1}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i+1} y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i-1} y_{2i+1}) \\ &= y_{2i+1}^{-1} y_{2i} y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i-1} y_{2i} y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i+1} \\ &= y_{2i+1}^{-1} y_{2i-1} y_{2i+1} \\ &= z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i z_{i+1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad \tau_i(z_{n+i}) &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1} \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i-1} y_{2i} y_{2i+1} \dots y_{2n}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1}(y_{2i-1} y_{2i} y_{2i} y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i+1} \dots y_{2n}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1}(y_{2i-1} y_{2i-1}^{-1} y_{2i} y_{2i+1} y_{2i+2} \dots y_{2n}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i} y_{2i+1} y_{2i+1} y_{2i+1}^{-1} y_{2i+1} y_{2i+2} \dots y_{2n}) \\ &= y_{2i} y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i+1} \dots y_{2n} \\ &= y_{2i+1} \dots y_{2n} \\ &= z_{n+i+1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad \tau_i(z_{n+i+1}) &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1} \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i+1} y_{2i+2} \dots y_{2n}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1} \sigma_{2i-1}(y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i+1} \dots y_{2n}) \\ &= \sigma_{2i} \sigma_{2i+1}(y_{2i}^{-1} y_{2i-1} y_{2i+1} y_{2i+2} \dots y_{2n}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sigma_{2i}(y_{2i+1}^{-1}y_{2i}^{-1}y_{2i-1}y_{2i+1}y_{2i+1}^{-1}y_{2i+2}\dots y_{2n}) \\
&= y_{2i+1}^{-1}y_{2i}y_{2i}^{-1}y_{2i-1}y_{2i}y_{2i+2}\dots y_{2n} \\
&= y_{2i+1}^{-1}y_{2i-1}y_{2i}y_{2i+2}\dots y_{2n} \\
&= z_{i+1}^{-1}z_{n+i}z_{n+i+1}^{-1}z_{i+1}^{-1}z_{n+i+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

(v) if $1 \leq j \leq n$ with $j \neq i, i+1$, then $2j-1 \leq 2i-3$ or $2j-1 \geq 2i+3$ and in both cases z_j is fixed under the action of τ_i .

if $n+1 \leq j \leq 2n$ with $j \neq n+i, n+i+1$, then $j = n+s$ for some $1 \leq s \leq n$ with $s \neq i, i+1$, and we can see that $2s-1$ is not $2i-1, 2i, 2i+1, 2i+2$ which implies that $z_{n+s} \mapsto z_{n+s}$ under τ_i .

□

We can see that for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ and $1 \leq j \leq 2n$, the action of τ_i^{-1} on the generators $\{z_j\}$ of \mathbb{F}_{2n} is given by

- (i) $z_i \mapsto z_i z_{i+1} z_i^{-1}$,
- (ii) $z_{i+1} \mapsto z_i$,
- (iii) $z_{n+i} \mapsto z_i z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i}$,
- (iv) $z_{n+i+1} \mapsto z_{n+i}$,
- (v) $z_j \mapsto z_j \quad \text{for all } j \neq i, i+1, n+i, n+i+1$.

Lemma 2. *The image of A_{ij} under Cohen's map acts on the generators $\{z_s\}$ as follows:*

- (i) $z_i \mapsto z_j^{-1} z_i z_j$,
- (ii) $z_j \mapsto z_j^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_j z_i z_j$,
- (iii) $z_r \mapsto z_r \quad \text{if } r < i \text{ or } r > j$,
- (iv) $z_r \mapsto (z_j^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_j z_i) z_r (z_j^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_j z_i)^{-1} \quad \text{if } i < r < j$,
- (v) $z_{n+i} \mapsto z_j^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+j} z_j^{-1} z_{n+j}$,
- (vi) $z_{n+j} \mapsto z_{n+j}^{-1} z_j z_{n+j} z_{n+i} z_j$,
- (vii) $z_{n+r} \mapsto z_{n+r} \quad \text{if } r < i \text{ or } r > j$,
- (viii) $z_{n+r} \mapsto (z_j^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_j z_i) z_{n+r} (z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i}) (z_{n+j}^{-1} z_j z_{n+j}) (z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i})^{-1} (z_{n+j}^{-1} z_j z_{n+j})^{-1} \quad \text{if } i < r < j$.

Proof. We consider the image of the generators of the pure braid group under Cohen's map and still call it A_{ij} ,

$$A_{ij} = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_{i+1}^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{j-2}^{-1} \tau_{j-1}^{-1}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n.$$

That is, we need to consider A_{ij} as right automorphisms acting on the generators of \mathbb{F}_{2n} from the right.

$$\begin{aligned}
(i) \quad A_{ij}(z_i) &= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{j-2}^{-1}\tau_{j-1}^{-1}(z_i) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{j-2}^{-1}(z_i) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2(z_i) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i(z_{i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}(z_{i+1}^{-1}z_iz_{i+1}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1}(z_{j-1}^{-1}z_iz_{j-1}) \\
&= z_j^{-1}z_iz_j.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(ii) \quad A_{ij}(z_j) &= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{j-2}^{-1}\tau_{j-1}^{-1}(z_j) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{j-2}^{-1}(z_{j-1}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2(z_{i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i(z_{i+1}^{-1}z_iz_{i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+1}(z_{i+1}^{-1}z_i^{-1}z_{i+1}z_{i+1}^{-1}z_iz_{i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{i+2}(z_{i+2}^{-1}z_i^{-1}z_{i+2}z_iz_{i+2}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1}(z_{j-1}^{-1}z_i^{-1}z_{j-1}z_iz_{j-1}) \\
&= z_j^{-1}z_i^{-1}z_jz_iz_j.
\end{aligned}$$

(iii) Suppose $r < i$ or $r > j$. Then τ_s fixes z_r for all $i \leq s \leq j-1$ and therefore, A_{ij} fixes z_r .

$$\begin{aligned}
(iv) \quad \text{Suppose } i < r < j. \text{ Then,} \\
A_{ij}(z_r) &= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{r+1}\tau_r\tau_{r-1}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{r-1}^{-1}\tau_r^{-1}\tau_{r+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{j-2}^{-1}\tau_{j-1}^{-1}(z_r) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{r+1}\tau_r\tau_{r-1}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{r-1}^{-1}\tau_r^{-1}\tau_{r+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{j-2}^{-1}(z_r) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{r+1}\tau_r\tau_{r-1}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{r-1}^{-1}\tau_r^{-1}(z_r) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{r+1}\tau_r\tau_{r-1}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{r-1}^{-1}(z_rz_{r+1}z_r^{-1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{r+1}\tau_r\tau_{r-1}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2\tau_{i+1}^{-1}\dots\tau_{r-2}^{-1}(z_{r-1}z_{r+1}z_{r-1}^{-1}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{r+1}\tau_r\tau_{r-1}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i^2(z_{i+1}z_{r+1}z_{i+1}^{-1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1}\tau_{j-2}\dots\tau_{r+1}\tau_r\tau_{r-1}\dots\tau_{i+1}\tau_i(z_{i+1}^{-1}z_iz_{i+1}z_{r+1}z_{i+1}^{-1}z_i^{-1}z_{i+1}).
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} (z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i z_{i+1} z_{r+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} \\
&\quad z_i^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i z_{i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+2} (z_{i+2}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{i+2} z_i z_{i+2} z_{r+1} z_{i+2}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{i+2}^{-1} \\
&\quad z_i z_{i+2}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} (z_{r-1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{r-1} z_i z_{r-1} z_{r+1} z_{r-1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} \\
&\quad z_{r-1}^{-1} z_i z_{r-1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r (z_r^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_r z_i z_r z_{r+1} z_r^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_r^{-1} z_i z_r) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} (z_{r+1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{r+1} z_i z_{r+1} z_{r+1}^{-1} z_r z_{r+1} z_{r+1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} \\
&\quad z_{r+1}^{-1} z_i z_{r+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+2} (z_{r+2}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{r+2} z_i z_r z_i^{-1} z_{r+2}^{-1} z_i z_{r+2}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} (z_{j-2}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{j-2} z_i z_r z_i^{-1} z_{j-2}^{-1} z_i z_{j-2}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} (z_{j-1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{j-1} z_i z_r z_i^{-1} z_{j-1}^{-1} z_i z_{j-1}) \\
&= z_j^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_j z_i z_r z_i^{-1} z_j^{-1} z_i z_j.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(v) \quad A_{ij}(z_{n+i}) &= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{j-2}^{-1} \tau_{j-1}^{-1} (z_{n+i}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{j-2}^{-1} (z_{n+i}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} (z_{n+i}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 (z_{n+i}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i (z_{n+i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} (z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+2} (z_{i+2}^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+i+2}^{-1} z_{i+2}^{-1} z_{n+i+2}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1} (z_{j-1}^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+j-1}^{-1} z_{j-1}^{-1} z_{n+j-1}) \\
&= z_j^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+j}^{-1} z_j^{-1} z_{n+j}.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(vi) \quad A_{ij}(z_{n+j}) &= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{j-2}^{-1} \tau_{j-1}^{-1} (z_{n+j}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{j-2}^{-1} (z_{n+j-1}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 (z_{n+i}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i (z_{n+i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+1} (z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1}) \\
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{i+2} (z_{n+i+2}^{-1} z_{i+2} z_{n+i+2} z_{n+i+2}^{-1} z_{n+i+2}^{-1} z_{i+2})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \vdots \\
& = \tau_{j-1}(z_{n+j-1}^{-1} z_{j-1} z_{n+j-1} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_{j-1}) \\
& = z_{n+j}^{-1} z_j z_{n+j} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_j.
\end{aligned}$$

(vii) Suppose $r < i$ or $r > j$. Then τ_s fixes z_{n+r} for all $i \leq s \leq j-1$ and therefore, A_{ij} fixes z_{n+r} .

$$\begin{aligned}
(viii) \quad A_{ij}(z_{n+r}) & = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{r-1}^{-1} \tau_r^{-1} \tau_{r+1}^{-1} \\
& \quad \dots \tau_{j-2}^{-1} \tau_{j-1}^{-1}(z_{n+r}) \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{r-1}^{-1} \tau_r^{-1} \tau_{r+1}^{-1} \\
& \quad \dots \tau_{j-2}^{-1}(z_{n+r}) \\
& \vdots \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \tau_{r-1}^{-1} \\
& \quad \tau_r^{-1}(z_{n+r}) \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \\
& \quad \tau_{r-1}^{-1}(z_r z_{n+r+1} z_{n+r}^{-1} z_r z_{n+r}) \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} \tau_i^2 \tau_{i+1}^{-1} \dots \\
& \quad \tau_{r-2}^{-1}(z_{r-1} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+r-1}^{-1} z_{r-1} z_{n+r-1}) \\
& \vdots \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} \\
& \quad \tau_i^2(z_{i+1} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{n+i+1}) \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} \\
& \quad \tau_i(z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i z_{i+1} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} \\
& \quad z_i z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1}) \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+1} (z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{i+1} \\
& \quad z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i z_{i+1} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} \\
& \quad z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_i z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} \\
& \quad z_{i+1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} \\
& \quad z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i+1} z_{n+i+1}^{-1} z_{i+1} z_{i+1}^{-1} z_{n+i+1}) \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r \tau_{r-1} \dots \tau_{i+2} (z_{i+2}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{i+2} z_i \\
& \quad z_{i+2} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+i+2}^{-1} z_{i+2} z_{n+i+2} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i} z_{n+i+2}^{-1} \\
& \quad z_{i+2} z_{n+i+2} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i} z_{n+i+2}^{-1} z_{i+2} z_{n+i+2}) \\
& \vdots \\
& = \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} \tau_r (z_r^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_r z_i z_r z_{n+r+1} z_{n+r}^{-1} \\
& \quad z_r z_{n+r} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i} z_{n+r}^{-1} z_r z_{n+r} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+r}^{-1} \\
& \quad z_r^{-1} z_{n+r})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \tau_{j-1} \tau_{j-2} \dots \tau_{r+1} (z_{r+1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{r+1} z_i z_{r+1} z_{r+1}^{-1} z_{n+r} \\
&\quad z_{n+r+1}^{-1} z_{r+1}^{-1} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+r+1}^{-1} z_{r+1} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i} \\
&\quad z_{n+r+1}^{-1} z_{r+1} z_{n+r+1} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+r+1} z_{r+1} z_{n+r+1}) \\
&\quad \vdots \\
&= \tau_{j-1} (z_{j-1}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{j-1} z_i z_{n+r} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i} z_{n+j-1}^{-1} z_{j-1} \\
&\quad z_{n+j-1} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{n+i} z_{n+j-1}^{-1} z_{j-1}^{-1} z_{n+j-1}) \\
&= z_j^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_j z_i z_{n+r} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i z_{n+i} z_{n+j}^{-1} z_j z_{n+j} z_{n+i}^{-1} z_i^{-1} z_{n+i} \\
&\quad z_{n+j}^{-1} z_j^{-1} z_{n+j}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

To find the linear representation obtained by composing the Cohen map $P_n \mapsto P_{2n}$ with the Perron-Vannier representation, we let Ψ be a homomorphism from \mathbb{F}_{2n} to \mathbb{C}^* defined by $\Psi(z_s) = t_s$ for $1 \leq s \leq 2n$. Let $D_s = \Psi \frac{\partial}{\partial z_s}$. We now determine the Jacobian matrix of the image of the generator A_{ij} under Cohen's map,

$$J(A_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} D_1(A_{ij}(z_1)) & \dots & D_{2n}(A_{ij}(z_1)) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ D_1(A_{ij}(z_{2n})) & \dots & D_{2n}(A_{ij}(z_{2n})) \end{pmatrix}.$$

The construction used here is the Magnus representation of P_{2n} . Let us prove our main theorem.

Theorem 1. *The linear representation obtained by composing the Cohen map $P_n \mapsto P_{2n}$ with the Perron-Vannier representation, namely $P_n \mapsto GL_{2n}(\mathbb{Z}[t_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, t_{2n}^{\pm 1}])$, has a subrepresentation isomorphic to the inverse of Gassner representation. That is, the image of A_{ij} is*

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \gamma_n^{-1}(t_s)(A_{ij}) & 0 \\ \hline C_n & H_n \end{array} \right), \quad \text{where}$$

C_n is the $n \times n$ matrix given by

$$C_n = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} 0_{i-1} & & 0 & & 0 \\ \hline & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -t_j^{-1} - t_j^{-2} t_{n+i} t_{n+j}^{-1} \\ & m_{i+1} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & n_{i+1} \\ & 0 & m_{i+2} & 0 & \ddots & \vdots & n_{i+2} \\ & & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ & & m_{j-1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & n_{j-1} \\ & & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & t_{n+j}^{-1} + t_j t_{n+i}^{-1} & \\ \hline 0 & & & & 0 & & & 0_{n-j} \end{array} \right),$$

and H_n is the $n \times n$ matrix given by

$$H_n = \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc|c} I_{i-1} & & & & 0 & & 0 \\ \hline & t_j^{-1} & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & -t_j^{-1}t_{n+i}t_{n+j}^{-1} + t_j^{-2}t_{n+i}t_{n+j}^{-1} \\ & p_{i+1} & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & q_{i+1} \\ 0 & p_{i+2} & 0 & \ddots & & \vdots & q_{i+2} \\ & \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ & p_{j-1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & q_{j-1} \\ \hline & -t_{n+i}^{-1}t_j & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & -t_{n+j}^{-1} + t_{n+j}^{-1}t_j \\ \hline 0 & & & & 0 & & I_{n-j} \end{array} \right).$$

For $i < r < j$, the entries of the matrices C_n and H_n are given by

$$\begin{aligned} m_r &= -t_j^{-1}t_i^{-1} + t_i^{-1} + t_{n+r}t_{n+i}^{-1} - t_jt_{n+r}t_{n+i}^{-1}, \\ n_r &= -t_j^{-1} + t_j^{-1}t_i^{-1} + t_it_{n+r}t_{n+j}^{-1} - t_{n+r}t_{n+j}^{-1}, \\ p_r &= t_{n+r}t_{n+i}^{-1}(-1 + t_i + t_j - t_it_j), \\ q_r &= t_{n+r}t_{n+j}^{-1}(1 - t_i - t_j + t_it_j). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. It is easy to see that the action of A_{ij} on the elements of the basis $\{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$ coincides with the inverse of the Gassner representation of degree n (see Lemma 1 and (i),(ii),(iii), and (iv) in Lemma 2).

Now,

$$D_{n+s}(A_{ij})(z_r) = 0, \quad 1 \leq r \leq n, \quad 1 \leq s \leq n.$$

For C_n :

$$D_i(A_{ij})(z_{n+i}) = 0.$$

$$D_j(A_{ij})(z_{n+i}) = -t_j^{-1} - t_j^{-2}t_{n+i}t_{n+j}^{-1}.$$

$$D_i(A_{ij})(z_{n+j}) = 0.$$

$$D_j(A_{ij})(z_{n+j}) = t_{n+j}^{-1} + t_jt_{n+i}^{-1}.$$

$$D_i(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) = -t_j^{-1}t_i^{-1} + t_i^{-1} + t_{n+r}t_{n+i}^{-1} - t_jt_{n+r}t_{n+i}^{-1}, \quad i < r < j.$$

$$D_j(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) = -t_j^{-1} + t_j^{-1}t_i^{-1} + t_it_{n+r}t_{n+j}^{-1} - t_{n+r}t_{n+j}^{-1}, \quad i < r < j.$$

$$D_s(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) = 0, \quad r < i \text{ or } r > j \text{ and } 1 \leq s \leq n.$$

$$D_s(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) = 0, \quad s \neq i, j \text{ and } i \leq r \leq j.$$

For H_n :

$$D_{n+i}(A_{ij})(z_{n+i}) = t_j^{-1}.$$

$$D_{n+j}(A_{ij})(z_{n+i}) = -t_j^{-1}t_{n+i}t_{n+j}^{-1} + t_j^{-2}t_{n+i}t_{n+j}^{-1}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{n+i}(A_{ij})(z_{n+j}) &= -t_{n+i}^{-1}t_j. \\
D_{n+j}(A_{ij})(z_{n+j}) &= -t_{n+j}^{-1} + t_{n+j}^{-1}t_j. \\
D_{n+i}(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) &= t_{n+r}t_{n+i}^{-1}(-1 + t_i + t_j - t_i t_j), \quad i < r < j. \\
D_{n+j}(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) &= t_{n+r}t_{n+j}^{-1}(1 - t_i - t_j + t_i t_j), \quad i < r < j. \\
D_{n+r}(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) &= 1, \quad r < i \text{ or } r > j. \\
D_{n+r}(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) &= 1, \quad i < r < j. \\
D_{n+s}(A_{ij})(z_{n+r}) &= 0 \text{ in case } s \neq i, j, r \neq i, j, \text{ and } s \neq r.
\end{aligned}$$

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