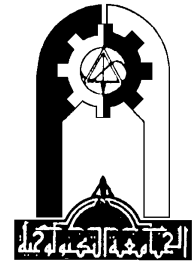


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# ***ABSTRACT***

The set of all  $\mathbb{Z}$  – valued class functions of a finite group  $G$  form an abelian group  $\mathbf{cf}(G, \mathbb{Z})$  under point wise addition. Inside this group we have a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}$  – valued generalized characters of  $G$  denoted by  $\mathbf{R}(G)$ .

The problem of finding the cyclic decomposition of the factor group  $\mathbf{K}(G) = \mathbf{cf}(G, \mathbb{Z}) / \mathbf{R}(G)$  has been considered in this thesis for  $G =$  **the special linear finite group  $SL(2, p)$**  where  $p = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17,$  and  $19$ .

# LIST OF NOTATIONS

$\mathbb{C}$	Set of complex numbers.
$\mathbb{Q}$	Set of rational numbers.
$\mathbb{Z}$	Set of integers numbers.
$GL(n,F)$	Group of invertible $n \times n$ matrices over the field $F$ .
$C_n$	Cyclic group of order $n$ .
$S_n$	Symmetric group of $n$ symbols.
$Z_n$	Cyclic group of order $n$ .
$Tr$	Trace of the matrix.
$\chi$	Character of the representation $T$ .
$\langle \chi, \rho \rangle$	Inner product of the characters $\chi$ and $\rho$ .
$\langle X \rangle$	Cyclic group generated by $X$ .
$\times$	Direct product.
$\text{Ker } \chi$	Kernel of $\chi$ .
$\triangleleft$	Normal subgroup.
$\chi \uparrow^G$	Induced character.
$C_g$	Conjugacy class of the element $g$ .
$\equiv G$	Character table of $G$ .
$\equiv^* G$	Rational valued character table of $G$ .
$\det(\equiv^* G)$	Determinant of the matrix $\equiv^* G$ .
$K(G)$	Factor group $cf(G, \mathbb{Z}) / R(G)$ .
$\Gamma$	Galois group.
$\oplus$	Direct sum.
$\otimes$	Tensor product.
$SL(n,F)$	Group of invertible $n \times n$ matrices with determinant 1 over the field $F$ .
$SZ(n,F)$	Center of $SL(n,F)$ .
$C_G(g)$	Centralizer of $g$ in $G$ .
$N_G(x)$	Normalizer of $x$ in $G$
$(j,n)$	Greatest common divisor.



$ G $	Order of the group $G$ .
$o(g)$	Order of the element $g$ .
$ $	Not divide.
$\sim$	Not equivalent.
$[G: H]$	Index of $H$ over $G$ .
$F^*$	$F - \{0\}$ .
$\exp(G)$	Exponent of the group $G$ .
$\Phi(n)$	Eular totient function to the number $n$ .
$\mu(n)$	Möbius function to the number $n$ .
$\text{char}(F)$	characteristic of the field $F$ .

# Introduction

# ***INTRODUCTION***

The importance of representation and character theory for the study of the groups stems on the one hand from the fact that should it be necessary to present a concrete description of a group, this can be achieved with a matrix representation. On the other hand, group theory benefits mainly from the use of representations and characters, when these approaches are employed as an additional means to analyse the structure of a group. Moreover representation and character theory provide varied applications, not only in other branches of mathematics but also in physics and chemistry.

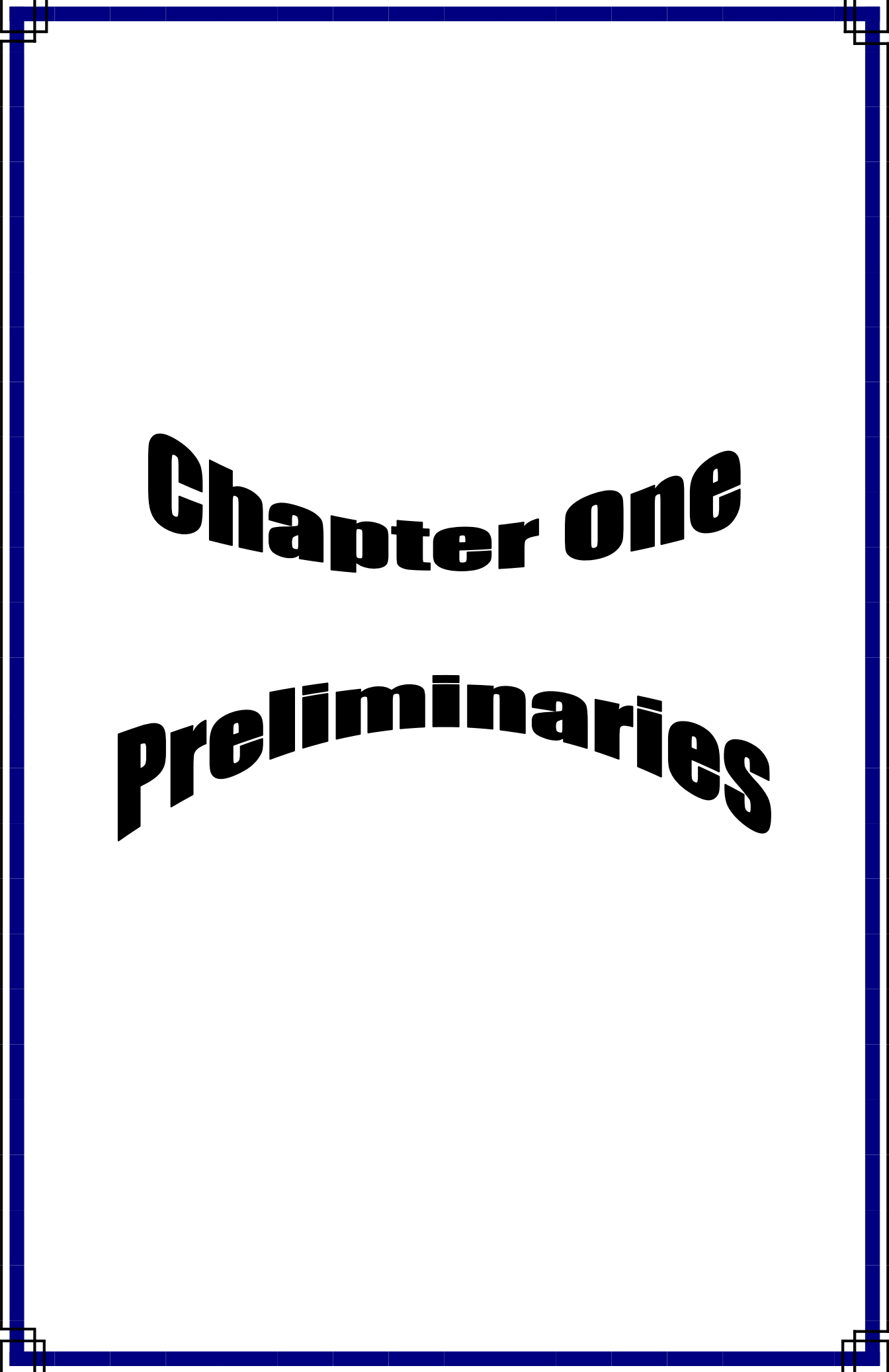
In this thesis our focus will lie on the cyclic decomposition of  $K(\text{SL}(n,p))$  the factor of  $\mathbb{Z}$  – valued class functions of the considered group  $\text{SL}(2,p)$ ,  $p = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17$ , and  $19$  module the group of the generalized characters of the same group. The problem of the determination of the cyclic decomposition of  $K(G)$  has been considered for many groups and been solved completely for  $G = S_n, D_n$ , and elementary abelian groups but for the special linear finite groups it seems to be untouched

**In chapter 1** The foundations of representation theory are described and illustrated by a number of definitions and basic examples (**section 1.2**), the notion of a character of a finite group is deduced and considered

in detail in **(section 1.3)**. Again great importance is attached to the description of examples to illustrate these concepts, we use that for constructing the ordinary character table of  $SL(n, p^k)$  where  $p$  is prime and  $p \neq 2$  in chapter 2. In **(section 1.4)** we develop the theory necessary to understand the contents of a character table. In **(section 1.5)** we introduce some important definitions of the abelian group and describe the character table of this group. In **(section 1.6)** we describe an additional and very important method which constructs characters of a group from characters of an arbitrary subgroup, this method is used to find some of the irreducible characters of the special linear finite groups in chapter 2. In **(section 1.7)** we study the factor group  $K(G)$  also the section includes fundamental concepts and the order of this group.

**chapter 2** Is devoted to the some members and an important class of a group the special linear finite groups. After describing important features of this group and investigating their conjugacy classes **(section 2.2)** we move on to constructing the ordinary character table of  $SL(n, p^k)$  where  $p$  is prime and  $p \neq 2$ . Great care is taken to illustrate each step and a number of additional calculations **(section 2.3)**.

**In chapter 3** This chapter covers the study of the character table of the irreducible rational representations of  $SL(2, p^k)$ ,  $p$  is an odd prime,  $k > 0$  and odd by using the character table and the Schur indices **(section 3.2)**, then we introduce the diagonalization of the matrix  $(\equiv *SL(2, p))$  which gives us the cyclic decomposition of  $K(SL(2, p))$ , where  $p = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, \text{ and } 19$  **(section 3.3)**.



# **Chapter one**

# **Preliminaries**



# ***PRELIMINARIES***

## **1.1. INTRODUCTION:**

In this chapter, some definitions and basic concepts of representation theory, character theory, the characters of finite abelian group, induced characters and factor group are introduced.

## **1.2. REPRESENTATION THEORY:**

This section introduces some important definitions of the representation theory of finite groups.

### **DEFINITION (1.2.1):**

The set of all  $n \times n$  non-singular matrices over the field  $F$  this set forms a group under the operation of matrix multiplication. This group is called **the general linear group** of dimension  $n$  over the field  $F$ , denoted by  **$GL(n, F)$** . See [1].

### **DEFINITION (1.2.2):**

Let  $V$  be a vector space over the field  $F$  and let  $GL(V)$  denote the group of all linear isomorphisms of  $V$  onto itself.



A **representation** of a group  $G$  with representation space  $V$  is a homomorphism  $t: g \rightarrow t(g)$  of  $G$  into  $GL(V)$ . See [1].

**DEFINITION (1.2.3):**

A **matrix representation** of a group  $G$  is a homomorphism  $T: g \rightarrow T(g)$  of  $G$  into  $GL(n,F)$ , where  $n$  is called the **degree** of the matrix representation. See [1].

**EXAMPLE (1.1):**

Consider the symmetric group  $S_3$  of order 6, define  $T: S_3 \rightarrow GL(3,C)$ , as follows:

$$T(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T(12) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T(13) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(23) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T(123) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T(132) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

It is easy to show that  $T$  is a matrix representation of  $S_3$  of degree 3.

**DEFINITION (1.2.4):**

Two representations  $t$  and  $t'$  with representation spaces  $V$  and  $M$  respectively are said to be **equivalent** if there exists an isomorphism  $f$  of  $V$  onto  $M$  such that for all  $g \in G$ ,  $t'(g) f = f t(g)$ .

Similarly, two matrix representations  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are **equivalent** if they have the same degree, say  $n$ , and if there exists a fixed invertible matrix  $A \in GL(n, F)$  such that for all  $g \in G$ ,  $T_2(g) = A^{-1} T_1(g) A$ . See [1].

### **EXAMPLE (1.2):**

Consider two representation of degree 2 of the symmetric group

$$S_3 = \langle r, c: r^2 = c^3 = 1, rc = c^2r \rangle = \{1, (12), (13), (23), (123), (132)\},$$

where  $r = (12)$ ,  $c = (123)$ . Let  $T_1: S_3 \rightarrow GL(2, C)$  and  $T_2: S_3 \rightarrow GL(2, C)$  such that:

$$T_1((12)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad T_1((123)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T_2((12)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad T_2((123)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$T_1$  and  $T_2$  are homomorphism, Then  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are matrix representations, also there exists an invertible matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $GL(2, C)$  such that

$$T_1(x) = A^{-1} T_2(x) A, \forall x \in S_3$$

Hence  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are equivalent.

### **DEFINITION (1.2.5):**

Let  $T$  be a representation of a group  $G$  such that  $T(g) = 1, \forall g \in G$ . Then  $t$  is called the **linear trivial representation**. See [1].

**DEFINITION (1.2.6):**

A matrix representation  $T$  of a group  $G$  is called **reducible representation** if it is equivalent to a matrix representation of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_1(x) & * \\ 0 & T_2(x) \end{pmatrix}, \forall x \in G$$

where  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are representations of  $G$ , whose degree is less than the degree of  $T$ .

A reducible representation  $T$  is called **completely reducible** if it is equivalent to a matrix representation of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_1(x) & 0 \\ 0 & T_2(x) \end{pmatrix}, \forall x \in G$$

If  $T$  is not reducible then  $T$  is said to be an **irreducible representation**. See [11].

**EXAMPLE (1.3):**

In symmetric group  $S_3$  define  $T: S_3 \rightarrow GL(2, \mathbb{C})$  such that

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } x \text{ is even permutation} \\ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } x \text{ is odd permutation} \end{cases}$$

Then  $T$  is a matrix representation on  $S_3$ .

Also there exists a non-singular matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$  such that

$$A^{-1} T(x) A = \begin{pmatrix} T_1(x) & * \\ 0 & T_2(x) \end{pmatrix} \quad \forall x \in S_3$$

Therefore  $T$  is reducible.

### **1.3. CHARACTER THEORY:**

This section introduces some important definitions and basic concepts of the character theory of finite groups.

#### **DEFINITION (1.3.1):**

Let  $T$  be a matrix representation of a finite group  $G$  over the field  $F$ .

**The character**  $\chi$  of  $T$  is the mapping  $\chi: G \rightarrow F$  defined by

$$\chi(g) = \text{Tr}(T(g)) \quad \forall g \in G, \text{ where } \text{Tr}(T(g)) \text{ refers to the trace of the matrix } T(g).$$

The characters of degree **1** are called **linear characters**. See [4].

#### **EXAMPLE (1.4):**

In symmetric group  $S_3 = \langle r, c \mid r^2 = c^3 = 1, rc = c^2r \rangle$ , define the representation  $T: S_3 \rightarrow GL(2, \mathbb{C})$  such that:

$$r \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad c \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{where } \omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$$

The character  $\chi$  of  $T$  is:  $\chi(r) = 0, \chi(c) = \omega + \omega^2 = -1$ .

**DEFINITION (1.3.2):**

The function  $1_G$ , with constant value 1 on  $G$ , is a linear character, it is called **the principle** or sometimes (**unit** or **trivial**) character of  $G$ .

The character afforded by irreducible representation is called **irreducible Character**, otherwise it is called **compound Character**. See [4].

**EXAMPLE (1.5):**

Linear characters are irreducible character.

**PROPOSITION (1.3.3):**

If  $\chi$  is the character of a representation  $T$  of degree  $n$ , we have:

- i.  $\chi(1) = n$ .
- ii.  $\chi(s^{-1}) = \bar{\chi}(s)$  for  $s \in G$  (where the bar denotes the complex conjugate)

**PROOF:** See [5].

**LEMMA (1.3.4):**

Let  $\chi_T$  be the character of a representation  $T$  of a group  $G$  of degree  $n$ , if  $T$  and  $T''$  are representations of  $G$ , then  $\chi_{T \oplus T''} = \chi_T + \chi_{T''}$ .

**PROOF:** See [6].

The matrix of  $T \oplus T''$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} T & 0 \\ 0 & T'' \end{pmatrix}$ . Hence  $\text{tr}(T \oplus T'') = \text{tr}(T) + \text{tr}(T'')$ .

**LEMMA (1.3.5):**

Let  $\chi$  is the character of a group  $G$  and suppose  $\text{char}(F) \mid |G|$ . Then there exist irreducible characters  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k$  of  $G$  such that  $\chi = \chi_1 + \dots + \chi_k$ .

**PROOF:** See [6].

**DEFINITION (1.3.6):**

A **class function** on a group  $G$  is a function  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which is constant on conjugacy classes, that is  $f(x^{-1}yx) = f(y) \quad \forall x, y \in G$ .

If all values of  $f$  are in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , then it is called **Z-valued class function**. See [4].

**LEMMA (1.3.7):**

Characters of a group  $G$  are class function.

**PROOF:** See [4].

Let  $\rho$  be matrix representation and  $\chi$  character of  $\rho$

$$\chi(x^{-1}yx) = \text{Tr } \rho(x^{-1}yx) = \text{Tr } \rho(x^{-1}) \cdot \text{Tr } \rho(y) \cdot \text{Tr } \rho(x) = \text{Tr } \rho(y) = \chi(y).$$

**DEFINITION (1.3.8):**

Let  $\chi$  and  $\psi$  be characters of the group  $G$ . The **inner product** is defined as

$$\langle \chi, \psi \rangle = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi(g) \psi(g^{-1}) \quad \dots(1.1)$$

See [4].



**EXAMPLE (1.6):**

Let  $G = C_3 = \{1, a, a^2\}$  and suppose that  $\theta, \phi$  are characters of a group  $G$  define from  $G$  into  $C$  as follows:

	1	$a$	$a^2$
$\phi$	1	1	1
$\theta$	2	$i$	-1

$$\langle \theta, \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{3}(2 \cdot 1 + i \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 1) = \frac{1}{3}(1+i),$$

$$\langle \theta, \theta \rangle = \frac{1}{3}(2 \cdot 2 + i \cdot \bar{i} + (-1) \cdot (-1)) = 2$$

**THEOREM (1.3.9):**

Let  $\chi$  and  $\psi$  be characters of two non-isomorphic irreducible representation of a group  $G$ . Then we have

- i.  $\langle \chi, \psi \rangle = 0$ .
- ii.  $\langle \chi, \chi \rangle = 1$ .

**PROOF:** See [5].

**Corollary (1.3.10):**

If  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k$  are irreducible characters of a group  $G$ , and  $\chi$  is any character of  $G$ , then

$$\chi = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle \chi, \chi_i \rangle \chi_i$$

**PROOF:** See [6].

**Corollary (1.3.11):**

If  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k$  are irreducible characters of a group  $G$ , and  $\chi = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \chi_i$ , and  $\psi = \sum_{i=1}^k m_i \chi_i$  are any two characters of  $G$ , then

$$\langle \chi, \psi \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i m_i$$

**PROOF:** See [6].

**THEOREM (1.3.12):**

Let  $T$  and  $S$  be representations of  $G$  with characters  $\chi$  and  $\psi$ . Then  $T$  and  $S$  are equivalent if and only if they have the same character.

**PROOF:** See [4].

**PROPOSITION (1.3.13):**

Let  $\chi$  be a character of  $G$ . Then  $\chi$  is irreducible if and only if  $\langle \chi, \chi \rangle = 1$ .

**PROOF:** See [4].

**PROPOSITION (1.3.14):**

If  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k$  are all irreducible characters of  $G$ , then  $\sum_{i=1}^k \chi_i^2(1) = |G|$ .

This is a convenient criterion for the irreducibility of a character.

**PROOF:** See [4].

**THEOREM (1.3.15):**

Sum and product of characters are character.

where if we suppose  $\chi$  and  $\psi$  are characters of a group  $G$ , then

1. The sum of characters is defined by

$$(\chi + \psi)(g) = \chi(g) + \psi(g) \quad \text{for } g \in G$$

2. The multiplication of characters is defined by

$$(\chi \cdot \psi)(g) = \chi(g) \cdot \psi(g) \quad \text{for } g \in G$$

**PROOF:** See [4].

**THEOREM (1.3.16):**

The number  $\mathbf{n}$  of distinct irreducible characters of  $G$  is equal to the number of its conjugacy classes.

**PROOF:** See [5].

**PROPOSITION (1.3.17):**

The degrees  $\mathbf{n}_i$  satisfy the relations

1. 
$$\sum_{i=1}^k n_i^2 = |G|.$$

2. If  $1 \neq g \in G$ , we have 
$$\sum_{i=1}^K n_i \chi_i(g) = 0.$$

**PROOF:** See [5].

**THEOREM (1.3.18):**

Let  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k$  be all the irreducible characters of a group  $G$  and let  $g_1, \dots, g_k$  be the representation of the conjugacy classes  $C_1, \dots, C_k$  of  $G$ . Then we have:

**1.** The row orthogonality relation:

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^k \frac{\chi_i(g_\alpha) \overline{\chi_j(g_\alpha)}}{|C_G(g_\alpha)|} = \delta_{ij} \quad \text{for all } i, j = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

**2.** The column orthogonality relation:

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \chi_i(g_\alpha) \overline{\chi_i(g_\beta)} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} |C_G(g_\alpha)| \quad \text{for all } \alpha, \beta = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

where  $C_G(g_\alpha)$  denote the centralizer of  $g_\alpha$  in  $G$ ,  $\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$ .

**PROOF:** See [6].

**EXAMPLE (1.7):**

Consider the characters of a group  $S_3$  as follows, where the conjugacy classes of this group are:

$$C_1 = \{1\}, C_2 = \{(12), (13), (23)\}, C_3 = \{(123), (132)\}$$

$C_g$	$C_1$	$C_2$	$C_3$
$ C_g $	1	3	2
$\chi_1$	1	1	1
$\chi_2$	1	-1	1
$\chi_3$	2	0	-1

$$\langle \chi_3, \chi_3 \rangle = \frac{1}{6}(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 0 \cdot 0 + 2(-1)(-1)) = \frac{1}{6}(4 + 2) = 1$$

$$\langle \chi_3, \chi_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{6}(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 0 \cdot (-1) + 2(-1) \cdot 1) = \frac{1}{6}(2 - 2) = 0$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^3 \chi_t(C_2) \chi_t(C_3) = 1 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot (-1) = 0$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^3 \chi_t(C_2) \chi_t(C_2) = 1 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot (-1) + 0 \cdot 0 = 2$$

### **DEFINITION (1.3.19):**

Let  $\chi$  be the character of the representation  $T$  of degree  $\mathbf{n}$ , define the **kernel** of  $\chi$  to be  $\ker \chi = \ker T$ . See [4].

### **LEMMA (1.3.20):**

If  $\chi$  be a character of  $G$ , then  $\text{Ker } \chi = \{g \in G: \chi(g) = \chi(1)\}$

**PROOF:** See [4].

**Corollary (1.3.21):**

If  $H \triangleleft G$ , then  $H = \bigcap \{ \text{Ker } \chi_i : H \leq \text{Ker } \chi_i \}$ .

**PROOF:** See [6].

**1.4. THE CHARACTER TABLE :**

The complete information about the characters of a group  $G$  is conveniently displayed in a character table, which lists the values of the  $k$  irreducible characters for all elements of  $G$ . Since the character is constant on each of the conjugacy classes  $C_\alpha$ , ( $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ ), thus it is sufficient to record the values

$$\chi_i(g_\alpha), i=1, 2, \dots, k, \text{ if } g_\alpha \in C_\alpha$$

Table (1.1) presents a typical character table, the body of the table is a  $k$  by  $k$  square matrix whose rows correspond to the different characters while each column contains the values of all irreducible characters for a particular conjugacy classes, denoting the number of elements in  $C_\alpha$  by  $h_\alpha$  we have the class equation  $h_1 + h_2 + \dots + h_k = |G|$ , and the degree of the  $k$  distinct representations of  $G$  over  $C$  by  $n_i, i= 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

The size of the centralizer  $C_G(C_\alpha) = |G| / h_\alpha = m_\alpha$ , although they are not properly speaking, a part of the table. See [1].



$C_a$	$C_1$	$C_2$	$\dots$	$C_a$	$\dots$	$C_k$
$ C_a $	$h_1$	$h_2$	$\dots$	$h_a$	$\dots$	$h_k$
$ C_G(C_a) $	$m_1$	$m_2$	$\dots$	$m_a$	$\dots$	$m_k$
$\chi_1$	1	1	$\dots$	1	$\dots$	1
$\chi_2$	$n_2$	$\chi_2(g_2)$	$\dots$	$\chi_2(g_a)$	$\dots$	$\chi_2(g_k)$
$\chi_3$	$n_3$	$\chi_3(g_2)$	$\dots$	$\chi_3(g_a)$	$\dots$	$\chi_3(g_k)$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\chi_k$	$n_k$	$\chi_k(g_2)$	$\dots$	$\chi_k(g_a)$	$\dots$	$\chi_k(g_k)$

TABLE (1.1)

**EXAMPLE (1.9):**

The group  $S_3$  has three conjugacy classes, namely

$$C_1 = \{1\}, C_2 = \{(12), (13), (23)\}, C_3 = \{(123), (132)\}$$

Therefore  $S_3$  has three irreducible representations, they are:

$$1. \quad \rho_1(g) = 1 \quad \forall g \in S_3$$

$$2. \quad \rho_2(g) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is an even permutation} \\ -1 & \text{if } x \text{ is an odd permutation} \end{cases}$$

$$3. \quad \rho_3(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rho_3(12) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rho_3(13) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho_3(23) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rho_3(123) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rho_3(132) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the character table of  $S_3$  is:

	$C_a$	$C_1$	$C_2$	$C_3$
	$ C_a $	1	3	2
	$ C_G(C_a) $	6	2	3
$\equiv S_3 =$	$\chi_1$	1	1	1
	$\chi_2$	1	-1	1
	$\chi_3$	2	0	-1

We check that

$$n_1^2 + n_2^2 + n_3^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 = 6$$

which confirms that we have indeed found all the irreducible characters of  $S_3$ .

## 1.5. CHARACTERS OF FINITE ABELIAN GROUP:

In this section we introduce some important definitions of the abelian group and describe the character table of this group.

### DEFINITION (1.5.1):

A group  $G$  is called **abelian group** if every pair of elements commutes, that is, if  $xy = yx$  for all  $x, y$  in  $G$ . See [10].

### DEFINITION (1.5.2):

A group  $G$  is called **finite group** if  $G$  is a finite set. In this case the number of elements in  $G$  is called the **order of  $G$**  and is denoted by  $|G|$ . This amount to

saying that each conjugate class of  $G$  consists of single element, also that each function on  $G$  is a class function. See [10].

### **THEOREM (1.5.3):**

A finite abelian group  $G$  of order  $n$  has exactly  $n$  distinct characters.

**PROOF:** See [10].

### **1.5.4 The Character Table Of Finite Abelian Group :**

For a finite abelian group  $G$  of order  $n$  a complete information about the irreducible characters of  $G$  is displayed in a table called **the character table** of  $G$ . We list the elements of  $G$  in the 1<sup>st</sup> row, we put

$$\chi_i(x^j) = \chi_i^j, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n-1$$

$C_a$	<b>1</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>...</b>	<b>x<sup>n-1</sup></b>
$ C_a $	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>1</b>
$ C_G(C_a) $	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>n</b>
$\chi_1$	1	1	1	...	1
$\chi_2$	1	$(\chi_2)^1$	$(\chi_2)^2$	...	$(\chi_2)^{n-1}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\chi_n$	1	$(\chi_n)^1$	$(\chi_n)^2$	...	$(\chi_n)^{n-1}$

TABLE (1.2)

If  $G = Z_n$ , the cyclic group of order  $n$ , and let  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/n}$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity then the general formula of the character table of  $Z_n$  is:

$$\cong Z_n =$$

$C_a$	<b>1</b>	<b>z</b>	<b>z<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>...</b>	<b>z<sup>n-1</sup></b>
$ C_a $	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>1</b>
$ C_G(C_a) $	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>n</b>
$\chi_1$	1	1	1	...	1
$\chi_2$	1	$\omega$	$\omega^2$	...	$\omega^{n-1}$
$\chi_3$	1	$\omega^2$	$\omega^4$	...	$\omega^{n-2}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\chi_n$	1	$\omega^{n-1}$	$\omega^{n-2}$	...	$\omega$

TABLE (1.3)

See [4].

### **EXAMPLE (1.10):**

The group  $Z_5$  consists the elements  $1, z, z^2, z^3, z^4, (z^5 = 1)$ .

Let  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/5}$ . Then the character table of  $Z_5$  is:

$$\cong Z_5 =$$

$C_a$	<b>1</b>	<b>z</b>	<b>z<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>z<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>z<sup>4</sup></b>
$ C_a $	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
$ C_G(C_a) $	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
$\chi_1$	1	1	1	1	1
$\chi_2$	1	$\omega$	$\omega^2$	$\omega^3$	$\omega^4$
$\chi_3$	1	$\omega^2$	$\omega^4$	$\omega$	$\omega^3$
$\chi_4$	1	$\omega^3$	$\omega$	$\omega^4$	$\omega^2$
$\chi_5$	1	$\omega^4$	$\omega^3$	$\omega^2$	$\omega$

For the general case of a finite abelian group  $G$  of order  $n$ , can be written  $G$  as a direct product of a cyclic subgroups ,say

$$G = \langle Z_1 \rangle \times \langle Z_2 \rangle \times \dots \times \langle Z_m \rangle$$

where  $Z_\mu$  is of order  $n_\mu$  and  $n = n_1 \cdot n_2 \dots n_m$ .

An arbitrary element  $x \in G$  is then uniquely expressed as  $x = z_1^{a_1} z_2^{a_2} \dots z_m^{a_m}$

where the exponents are subject to the conditions  $0 \leq a_\mu \leq n_\mu$  ( $\mu = 1, 2, \dots, m$ )

In order to construct the irreducible characters of  $G$ , we choose for each  $\mu$  an  $n_\mu$ -th root of unity

$$\xi_{\mu} = e^{(2\pi i r_\mu / n_\mu)} \quad \text{where } r_\mu \text{ is any integer satisfying}$$

$$0 \leq r_\mu \leq n_\mu, (\mu = 1, 2, \dots, m) \quad \dots(1.2)$$

Corresponding to each  $\mathbf{m}$ -tuple  $[r] = [r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m]$

We define the function

$$\chi_{[r]}(x) = e^{(2\pi i \sum_{\mu=1}^m a_\mu r_\mu / n_\mu)} \quad \dots(1.3)$$

Then there are  $\mathbf{nm}$ -tuples satisfying (1.2), since distinct  $\mathbf{m}$ -tuples correspond to distinct functions, then all  $\mathbf{n}$  irreducible characters of  $G$  are obtained by (1.3). See [4].

### **EXAMPLE (1.11):**

The characters of  $G = Z_2 \times Z_3$  can be found by applying (1.3),  $r = [r_1, r_2]$  and  $|G| = 2 \times 3 = 6$ .

Let  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$ , then the character table of  $G$  is:

$C_\alpha$	(1,1)	(x,1)	(1,y)	(x,y)	(1,y <sup>2</sup> )	(x,y <sup>2</sup> )
$ C_\alpha $	1	1	1	1	1	1
$ C_G(C_\alpha) $	6	6	6	6	6	6
$\chi_{[0,0]}$	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\chi_{[1,0]}$	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1
$\chi_{[0,1]}$	1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	$\omega^2$	$\omega^2$
$\chi_{[1,1]}$	1	-1	$\omega$	$-\omega$	$\omega^2$	$-\omega^2$
$\chi_{[0,2]}$	1	1	$\omega^2$	$\omega^2$	$\omega$	$\omega$
$\chi_{[1,2]}$	1	-1	$\omega^2$	$-\omega^2$	$\omega$	$-\omega$

## 1.6. INDUCED CHARACTERS:

In this section we describe an additional and very important method which constructs characters of a group from characters of an arbitrary subgroup

### DEFINITION (1.6.1):

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a group  $G$ , and  $\varphi$  be a class function of  $H$ . Then  $\varphi \uparrow^G$ , the **induced class function on  $G$** , is given by

$$\varphi \uparrow (g) = \frac{1}{|H|} \sum_{x \in G} \varphi^\circ(xgx^{-1})$$

where  $\varphi^\circ$  is defined by :

$$\varphi^\circ(h) = \varphi(h) \quad \text{if } h \in H$$

and

$$\varphi^\circ(h) = 0 \quad \text{if } h \notin H$$

Clearly  $\varphi \uparrow^G$  is a class function on  $G$  and  $\varphi \uparrow^G(1) = [G:H] \varphi(1)$ .

Then the character of the induced representation is called **induced character** and can be rewritten as:

$$\varphi \uparrow^G (C_\alpha) = \frac{|C_G(C_\alpha)|}{|C_H(C_\alpha)|} \sum_{g \rightarrow C_\alpha} \varphi(g) \quad \dots(1.4)$$

where  $\varphi \uparrow^G(C_\alpha) = 0$  if  $C_\alpha \notin H$ . See [4].

### **EXAMPLE (1.12):**

The three conjugacy classes of the symmetric group  $S_3$ , are:

$$C_1 = \{1\}, C_2 = \{(12), (13), (23)\}, C_3 = \{(123), (132)\}$$

To calculate the induced characters of  $S_3$  from the unit characters of the cyclic subgroups  $C_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , by using the formula (1.4).

The partitions to the order of  $S_3$  equal 3, they are  $1^3, 12, 3$ , while the orders of the three classes of  $S_3$  are 1, 3, 2, and the orders of the centralizer are 6, 2, 3 respectively. Thus:

$$\mathbf{1-} (1^3): \quad 1_{C_1} \uparrow^{S_3} = [S_3: C_1] \chi_1(1) = 6(1) = 6$$

$$1_{12 C_1} \uparrow^{S_3} = 1_{3 C_1} \uparrow^{S_3} = 0. \quad \text{since } (12) \notin (1^3), \text{ and } (123) \notin 1^3.$$

$$\Phi_1(x) = (6 \quad 0 \quad 0)$$

$$\mathbf{2- (12):} \quad 1_{C_2 \uparrow S_3} = \frac{6}{2} \sum 1 = 3.$$

$$1_{12 C_2 \uparrow S_3} = \frac{2}{2} \sum 1 = 1$$

$$1_{13 C_2 \uparrow S_3} = 0. \quad \text{since } (123) \notin (12).$$

$$\Phi_2(x) = (3 \quad 1 \quad 0)$$

$$\mathbf{3- (3):} \quad 1_{C_3 \uparrow S_3} = \frac{6}{3} \sum 1 = 2.$$

$$1_{12 C_3 \uparrow S_3} = 0. \quad \text{since } (12) \notin (3)$$

$$1_{13 C_3 \uparrow S_3} = \frac{3}{3} \sum 1+1 = 2$$

$$\Phi_3(x) = (2 \quad 0 \quad 2)$$

We declare that in this table:

$C_a$	$1^3$	$12$	$3$
$ C_a $	$1$	$3$	$2$
$ C_G(C_a) $	$6$	$2$	$3$
$\Phi_1$	$6$	$0$	$0$
$\Phi_2$	$3$	$1$	$0$
$\Phi_3$	$2$	$0$	$2$



**Corollary (1.6.2):**

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ , and  $\varphi$  be a character of  $H$ . Then  $\varphi \uparrow^G$  is a character of  $G$ .

**PROOF:** See [4].

**1.7. THE FACTOR GROUP  $K(G)$ :**

In this section we will study the factor group  $K(G)$  of a group  $G$ , also this section includes fundamental concepts and the order of  $K(G)$ .

**DEFINITION (1.7.1):**

A **rational valued** character  $\theta$  of  $G$  is a character whose values are in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , that is  $\theta(x) \in \mathbb{Z}$  for all  $x \in G$ . See [7].

**DEFINITION (1.7.2):**

Two elements of  $G$  are said to be  **$\mathbf{Q}$ -conjugate** if the cyclic subgroups they generate are conjugate in  $G$ , this defines an equivalence relation on  $G$ , its classes are called the  **$\mathbf{Q}$ -classes of  $G$** . See [7].

Let  $G$  be a finite group and let  $\chi_1, \chi_2, \dots, \chi_k$  be its distinct irreducible characters, A class function on  $G$  is a character if and only if it is a linear combination of the  $\chi_i$ 's with non-negative integer coefficients. We will denote by  **$\mathbf{R}^+(G)$**  the set of all these functions, the group generated by  **$\mathbf{R}^+(G)$**  is called the **group of the generalized characters of  $G$**  and denoted by  **$\mathbf{R}(G)$** . We have

$$R(G) = Z\chi_1 \oplus Z\chi_2 \oplus \dots \oplus Z\chi_k$$

An element of  $R(G)$  is called a **virtual character**. Since the product of two characters is character,  $R(G)$  is a subring of the ring  $cf(G)$  of  $C$ -valued class functions on  $G$ .

Let  $cf(G, Z)$  be the **group of all  $Z$ -valued class functions of  $G$**  which are constant on  $Q$ -classes, and let  $\bar{R}(G)$  be the **intersection of  $cf(G, Z)$  with  $R(G)$** .  $\bar{R}(G)$  is **a ring of  $Z$ -valued generalized characters of  $G$** .

Let  $\varepsilon_m$  be a complex primitive  $m$ -th root of unity. We know that the Galois group  $\text{Gal}(F(\varepsilon_m) / F)$  is a subgroup of the multiplicative group  $(Z / mZ)^*$  of invertible elements of  $Z / mZ$ . More precisely, if  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(F(\varepsilon_m) / F)$ , there exists a unique element  $t \in (Z / mZ)^*$  such that

$$\sigma(\varepsilon_m) = \varepsilon_m^t \quad \text{if } \varepsilon_m^m = 1$$

We denote by  $\Gamma_F$  the image of  $\text{Gal}(F(\varepsilon_m) / F)$  in  $(Z / mZ)^*$ , and if  $t \in \Gamma_F$ , we let  $\sigma_t$  denote the corresponding element of  $\text{Gal}(F(\varepsilon_m) / F)$ .

Take as ground field  $F$  the field  $Q$  of rational numbers. The Galois group of  $Q(\varepsilon_m)$  over  $Q$  is the group denoted by  $\Gamma$ . See [8].

**THEOREM (1.7.3):** [Gauss  $\square$  Kronecker]:

We have  $\Gamma = (Z / mZ)^*$ .

**PROOF:** See [5].

**PROPOSITION (1.7.4):**

The characters  $\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \dots, \Phi_h$  form a basis of  $\bar{R}(G)$  and their number is equal to the number of conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups of a group  $G$ , where

$$\phi_i = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{Gal}(Q(\chi_i)/Q)} \chi_i^\sigma$$

and  $\chi_i$  are the irreducible  $C$ -characters of  $G$ .

**PROOF:** See [8].

**LEMMA (1.7.5):**

The factor group  $K(G)$  has a finite exponent equal to the order of  $G$ .

**PROOF:** See [8].

**DEFINITION (1.7.6):**

Let  $M$  be a matrix with entries in a principal domain  $R$ . A  $k$ -minor of  $M$  is the determinant of a  $k$  by  $k$  submatrix preserving row and column order. See [7].

**DEFINITION (1.7.7):**

A  $k$ -th determinant divisor of a matrix  $M$  is the greatest common divisor of all the  $k$ -minors of  $M$ , and is denoted by  $\mathbf{D}_k(\mathbf{M})$ . See [7].

**THEOREM (1.7.8):**

Let  $M, P, Q$  be matrices with entries in a principal domain  $R$ . Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be invertible matrices. Then  $D_k(Q M P^{-1}) = D_k(M)$ .

**PROOF:** See [7].

**THEOREM (1.7.9):**

Let  $M$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with entries in a principal domain  $R$ . Then there exist matrices  $P, Q, D$  such that:

1.  $P$  and  $Q$  are invertible.
2.  $Q M P^{-1} = D$ .
3.  $D$  is diagonal matrix.
4. If we denote  $D_{ii}$  by  $d_i$  then there exists a natural number  $r, 0 \leq r \leq \min(m, n)$  such that  $j > r$  implies  $d_j = 0$  and  $j \leq r$  implies  $d_j \neq 0$  and  $1 \leq j < r$  implies  $d_j$  divides  $d_{j+1}$ .

**PROOF:** See [7].

**DEFINITION (1.7.10):**

Let  $M$  be a matrix with entries in a principal domain  $R$ , be equivalent to a matrix  $D = \text{diag} \{ d_1, d_2, \dots, d_r, 0, \dots, 0 \}$  such that  $d_j / d_{j+1}$  for  $1 \leq j < r$ , we call  **$D$**  the invariant factor matrix of  $M$  and  **$d_1, d_2, \dots, d_r$**  the invariant factors of  $M$ . See [7].

**THEOREM (1.7.11):**

If  $M$  be a matrix with entries in a principal domain  $R$ , then the invariant factors are unique (modulo unit multiples).

**PROOF:** See [7].

**THEOREM (1.7.12):**

Let  $M$  be a finitely generated module over a principal domain  $R$ , then  $M$  is the direct sum of cyclic submodules with annihilating ideals

$$\langle d_1 \rangle, \langle d_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle d_m \rangle, d_j / d_{j+1} \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, m-1.$$

**PROOF:** See [7].

Suppose  $\text{cf}(G, Z)$  is of rank  $r$ , and let  $(\equiv^* G)$  denote the  $r \times r$  matrix whose rows correspond to the  $\Phi_j$ 's and columns correspond to the  $\Gamma$ -classes of  $G$ . The matrix expresses the  $\bar{R}(G)$  basis in terms of the  $\text{cf}(G, Z) = Z^r$  basis  $(\equiv^* G)$  hence, by theorem(1.7.9), we can find two matrices  $P$  and  $Q$  with determinant  $\pm 1$  such that  $Q (\equiv^* G) P^{-1} = \text{diag} \{ d_1, d_2, \dots, d_r \}$ ,

$$d_i = \pm D_i(\equiv^* G) / D_{i-1}(\equiv^* G)$$

This yields a new basis for  $R(G)$  and  $\text{cf}(G, Z)$ ,  $\{ v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r \}$  and  $\{ u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r \}$  respectively with the property  $v_j = d_j u_j$ .

Hence by theorem (1.7.12) the  $Z$ -module  $K(G)$  is the direct sum of cyclic submodules with annihilating ideals  $\langle d_1 \rangle, \langle d_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle d_r \rangle$ .

**THEOREM (1.7.13):**

$$K(G) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r Z_{d_i}, \text{ where } d_i = \pm D_i(\equiv^* G) / D_{i-1}(\equiv^* G).$$

**PROOF:** See [8].

**THEOREM (1.7.14):**

$$|K(G)| = \det(\equiv^* G).$$

**PROOF:** See [8].

**THEOREM (1.7.15):**

Let  $\{x_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq t$  be the set of representatives of  $\Gamma$ -classes of  $G$  and assume each  $x_i$  contains  $n_i$  classes of  $G$ , then

$$|K(G)| = \left[ \prod_{i=1}^t \frac{n_i g}{|(x_i)|} \right]^{1/2}$$

**PROOF:** See [8].

**LEMMA (1.7.16):** [8]

If  $A$  and  $B$  are two matrices of degree  $n$  and  $m$  respectively, then

$$\det(A \otimes B) = (\det(A))^m \cdot (\det(B))^n$$

**LEMMA (1.7.17):** See [8]

Let  $A$  and  $B$  are two non-singular matrices of degree  $n$  and  $m$  respectively over a principal domain  $R$ , and let

$$P_1 A Q_1 = D(A) = \text{diag} \{ d_1(A), d_2(A), \dots, d_n(A) \},$$

$$P_2 B Q_2 = D(B) = \text{diag} \{ d_1(B), d_2(B), \dots, d_m(B) \}$$

Be the invariant factor matrices of  $A$  and  $B$  then

$$(P_1 \otimes P_2) (A \otimes B) (Q_1 \otimes Q_2) = D(A) \otimes D(B),$$

And from this the invariant factor matrix of  $A \otimes B$  can be written down.

Let  $H$  and  $L$  be  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ -groups respectively, where  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are distinct primes. We know that

$$\cong (H \times L) = \cong (H) \otimes \cong (L)$$

since  $\text{gcd}(P_1, P_2) = 1$ , we have

$$\cong^* (H \times L) = \cong^* (H) \otimes \cong^* (L)$$

We consider the case where  $G$  is a cyclic  $P$ -group, for the cyclic group of prime order, all the non principal irreducible characters are  $\Gamma$ -conjugate.

Hence

$$(\cong^* G) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ p-1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = A$$

$$\det(A) = P = |K(G)| = \exp(K(G))$$

**THEOREM (1.7.18):**

Let  $G$  be a cyclic  $P$ -group. Then

$$K(G) = Z_p.$$

**PROOF:** See [8].

**THEOREM (1.7.19):**

Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order  $P^n$ . Then

$$K(G) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathbb{Z} P^i$$

**PROOF:** See [8].

**EXAMPLE (1.13):**

The rational valued character of  $Z_2$  and  $Z_3$  are

$$(\equiv^* Z_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } (\equiv^* Z_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let

$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } Q_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

$$P_1 (\equiv^* Z_2) Q_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, P_2 (\equiv^* Z_3) Q_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

By lemma (1.7.17), we obtain

$$(P_1 \otimes P_2) ((\equiv^* Z_2) \otimes (\equiv^* Z_3)) (Q_1 \otimes Q_2) = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence

$$K(Z_2 \times Z_3) = \mathbb{Z}_6 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1.$$



## **Chapter TWO**

# **The Finite Special Linear Groups**

# ***THE FINITE SPECIAL LINEAR GROUPS***

## **2.1. INTRODUCTION:**

This chapter concerns some members of an important class of groups: the finite linear groups. Important features are described and the conjugacy classes of this group is investigated. We develop character tables for some of the finite special linear group.

## **2.2. THE GROUPS $SL(n, p^k)$ :**

In chapter one we already met the general linear group, i.e the group of invertible  $n \times n$  matrices over a field  $F$  denoted by  $GL(n, F)$ . The determinant of these matrices is a homomorphism from  $GL(n, F)$  into  $F^*$  and we denote the kernel of this homomorphism by  $SL(n, F)$ , the special linear group. Thus  $SL(n, F)$  is the subgroup of  $GL(n, F)$  which contains all matrices of determinant one.

In this chapter we are interested in finite special linear group, and we choose  $F$  to be finite, we consider the case when  $n=2$  and  $F = p^k$ , where  $p$  is prime,  $p \neq 2$ ,  $k$  is natural number.

**THEOREM (2.2.1):**

The order of  $SL(2, p^k)$  is  $|SL(2, p^k)| = p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$ .

**PROOF:** See [6]

$$SL(2, p^k) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_3 & x_4 \end{pmatrix} : x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in F \text{ and } x_1x_4 - x_2x_3 = 1 \right\}$$

We now count the elements of  $SL(2, p^k)$  by considering two cases, the sum of which will give the required result.

Case I:  $x_3 = 0$

Then  $x_1x_4 - x_2x_3 = x_1x_4 = 1$ . Thus, if we fix  $x_1 \neq 0$ , then  $x_4$  is determined as the multiplicative inverse of  $x_1$ . Hence there are  $p^k - 1$  choices for  $x_1$  and non for  $x_4$ . On the other hand  $x_2$  can be chosen arbitrarily, i.e.  $p^k$  choices for  $x_2$ . In total we have counted  $p^k (p^k - 1)$  elements for case I.

Case II:  $x_3 \neq 0$

From  $x_1x_4 - x_2x_3 = 1$  we deduce  $x_2 = (x_1x_4 - 1) / x_3$ . Now we have  $p^k - 1$  choices for  $x_3$ . We may choose  $x_1$  and  $x_4$  arbitrarily and  $x_2$  is then determined. Hence we have  $p^k$  choices for  $x_1$ ,  $p^k$  choices for  $x_4$  and non for  $x_2$ .

Case II cover  $p^{2k} (p^k - 1)$  element of  $SL(2, p^k)$ .

**EXAMPLE (2.1):**

The order of  $SL(2, 3)$  is  $|SL(2, 3)| = 3 (3^2 - 1) = 3 (8) = 24$ .

Case I gives  $3 (3 - 1) = 6$  elements.

Case II gives  $3^2 (3 - 1) = 18$  elements.

$$SL(2, 3) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \right. \\ \left. \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

**PROPOSITION (2.2.2):**

The centre of  $SL(2, p^k)$  is  $SZ(2, p^k)$ , where  $SZ(2, p^k)$  denotes the subgroup of  $SL(2, p^k)$  of all matrices  $\alpha I$ ,  $\alpha \in F$ , such that  $\alpha^2 = 1$ , for  $p \neq 2$   $\alpha \in \{-1, 1\}$ . See [6].

**THEOREM (2.2.3):**

$G=SL(2, p^k)$  has exactly  $p^k + 4$  conjugacy classes :

$$1, z, c, d, zc, zd, a, a^2, \dots, a^{\frac{p^k-3}{2}}, b, b^2, \dots, b^{\frac{p^k-1}{2}}$$

Let:

- $v$  be the generator of the cyclic multiplicative group  $F^*$ ,
- $1 \leq \ell \leq (p^k - 3)/2$ ,
- $1 \leq m \leq (p^k - 1)/2$ .

Thus this conjugacy classes is satisfied

$g \in G$	Notation	$C_g$	$ C_g $	$ C_G(g) $
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	1	$C_1$	1	$p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$
$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$z$	$C_z$	1	$p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$c$	$C_c$	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$2p^k$
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \nu & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$d$	$C_d$	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$2p^k$
$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$zc$	$C_{zc}$	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$2p^k$
$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -\nu & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$zd$	$C_{zd}$	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$2p^k$
$\begin{pmatrix} \nu^\ell & 0 \\ 0 & \nu^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix}$	$a^\ell$	$C_{a^\ell}$	$p^k (p^k + 1)$	$p^k - 1$
Element of order $(p^k + 1)$ $m$	$b^m$	$C_{b^m}$	$p^k (p^k - 1)$	$p^k + 1$

TABLE (2.1)

**PROOF:** See [6]

**Step 1:**  $C_1, C_z, C_c, C_d, C_{zc}, C_{zd}$ , are as described in table (2.1)

Clearly, the elements 1 and  $z = -1$  both form a conjugacy class of their own, since they lie in the center of  $G$ . We have  $|G| = p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$ , and hence the first two rows of the table.

To find the conjugacy classes of  $c, d, zc$  and  $zd$  we consider an arbitrary element  $g = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_3 & x_4 \end{pmatrix} \in G$  and its inverse  $g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} x_4 & -x_2 \\ -x_3 & x_1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then

$$g^{-1}cg = \begin{pmatrix} 1-x_1x_2 & -x_2^2 \\ x_1^2 & 1-x_1x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \dots(2.1)$$

From (2.1) we deduce that  $zc$  cannot be conjugate to  $c$ , since for this we would need  $x_2 = 0$  and then  $1 = -1$ , a contradiction.

A similar argument shows that  $d \sim zd$

The elements  $d$  and  $zd$  cannot be conjugate to  $c$  either. In this case it would follow that  $x_1^2 = \pm v$ . If, however  $v$  is a square in  $F^*$ , it will not generate all of  $F^*$ , for  $|F| = p^k$  is odd. Hence,  $C_c, C_d, C_{zc}$  and  $C_{zd}$  are all distinct.

To find the size of these conjugacy classes we examine the sizes of the centralizers of  $c, d, zc$  and  $zd$ . We use the element  $c$  again as an example.

By (2.1) the following must hold for  $g$  to be in  $C_G(c)$ :

$$1 - x_1 x_2 = 1, -x_2^2 = 0, x_1^2 = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_1 = \pm 1, x_2 = 0.$$

So  $x_3$  can be chosen arbitrarily and  $x_4$  is determined as the multiplicative inverse of  $x_1$ , i.e.  $x_4 = x_1$ . Thus

$$C_G(c) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 0 \\ x_3 & x_1 \end{pmatrix} : x_1, x_3 \in F, x_1^2 = 1 \right\},$$

which is a set of size  $2p^k$ . It turns out that the sizes of the centralizers of  $d, zc$  and  $zd$  are exactly the same as  $|C_G(c)|$ . The next four rows of the table follow.

**PROOF: Step 2:**

- (i) The order of  $a = \begin{pmatrix} v & 0 \\ 0 & v^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$  is  $p^k - 1$ .
- (ii) If  $y \in \langle a \rangle$  with  $|y| > 2$ , then  $C_G(y) = \langle a \rangle$ .
- (iii) If  $y$  is conjugate to a power  $y^r$  in  $G$ , then  $y^r \in \{y, y^{-1}\}$ .
- (iv) The  $C_{a^\ell}$  are as described in the table. (2.1).

(i) Clearly, since  $v$  generates  $F^*$ , we have  $|\langle v \rangle| = |F^*| = p^k - 1$  and so

$$|\langle a \rangle| = p^k - 1.$$

(ii) Assume that  $y \in \langle a \rangle$ , i.e.  $y = a^\ell$  for some  $\ell$ ,  $1 \leq \ell \leq p^k - 1$  and assume that  $y$

has order greater than two. If  $\left| y = \begin{pmatrix} v^\ell & 0 \\ 0 & v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix} \right| > 2$ , then  $|v^\ell| > 2$ . Hence  $v^\ell \neq v^{-\ell}$ ,

and so  $y$  is a diagonal matrix which is not a scalar multiple of the identity.

We now want to find the elements of the centralizer of  $y$  in  $G$ . The element  $y$  is a power of  $a$ , and thus it commutes with all other power of  $a$ ,

i.e.  $\langle a \rangle \subseteq C_G(y)$ . Suppose there is some other  $g \in G$ ,  $g \notin \langle a \rangle$ , that commutes with  $y$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_3 & x_4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v^\ell & 0 \\ 0 & v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v^\ell & 0 \\ 0 & v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_3 & x_4 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 v^\ell & x_2 v^{-\ell} \\ x_3 v^\ell & x_4 v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 v^\ell & x_2 v^\ell \\ x_3 v^{-\ell} & x_4 v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix}$$

For  $g \notin \langle a \rangle$  this is the case if and only if  $v^\ell = v^{-\ell}$ , which contradicts our initial assumption that  $|y| > 2$ . Thus  $\langle a \rangle = C_G(y)$ .

(iii) Consider the normalizer of  $\langle y \rangle$  in  $G$ ,  $N_G(\langle y \rangle)$ . Then  $g \in G$  lies in  $N_G(\langle y \rangle)$

if and only if  $g^{-1}cg$  is diagonal. For  $g = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_3 & x_4 \end{pmatrix}$  this means that

$$g^{-1}yg = \begin{pmatrix} x_1x_4v^\ell - x_2x_3v^{-\ell} & x_2x_4v^\ell - x_2x_4v^{-\ell} \\ -x_1x_3v^\ell + x_1x_3v^{-\ell} & -x_2x_3v^\ell + x_1x_4v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix}$$

has to be diagonal. Thus we have  $x_2x_4 = 0$  and  $x_1x_3 = 0$ , because  $v^\ell \neq v^{-\ell}$ . Since  $g$  is assumed to be invertible, we are left with two cases:  $x_2 = x_3 = 0$  or  $x_1 = x_4 = 0$ . Then  $N_G(\langle y \rangle)$  is the following set:

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \beta \\ -\beta^{-1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} : \alpha, \beta \in F^* \right\}.$$

In other words,  $N_G(\langle y \rangle) = \left\langle C_G(y), \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$ . We observe that  $N_G(\langle y \rangle)$  contains all the power of  $y$  and that  $[N_G(\langle y \rangle) : C_G(y)] = 2$ . Thus the conjugacy class of  $y$  in  $N_G(\langle y \rangle)$  has size 2, i.e. it contains only one element other than  $y$ . It is easy to check that if  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $g^{-1}yg = y^{-1}$ . Hence if  $y$  is conjugate to a power  $y^r$  in  $N_G(\langle y \rangle)$ , then  $y^r \in \{y, y^{-1}\}$ . As  $N_G(\langle y \rangle)$  contains all the powers of  $y$  in  $G$ , the result follows.

(iv) First consider  $a^\ell$  for  $1 \leq \ell \leq (p^k - 3)/2$ . In this case  $|a^\ell| > 2$  and (iii) tells us that the only powers of  $a^\ell$  conjugate to it are  $a^\ell$  and  $a^{-\ell}$ . Now  $a^{-\ell} = a^{(p^k - 1) - \ell}$  and  $(p^k + 1) / 2 \leq (p^k - 1) - \ell \leq p^k - 2$ . We deduce that the conjugacy classes of  $a^\ell$  are all distinct for  $1 \leq \ell \leq (p^k - 3)/2$ . The size of these conjugacy classes is  $|G| / |C_G(a^\ell)|$  and by (i) and (ii), we have  $|C_{a^\ell}| = p^k(p^k + 1)$ .

Now we examine the remaining powers of  $a$ . For  $\ell = (p^k - 1) / 2$  we have  $|a^\ell| = 2$ . Also,  $a^{(p^k - 1)/2} \neq 1$ , since  $v^{(p^k - 1)/2} \neq 1$ . We deduce  $a^{(p^k - 1)/2} = z$ .

Clearly, for  $\ell = p^k - 1$ ,  $a^\ell = 1$  and we have cover all powers of  $a$ .



**PROOF: Step 3:**

- (i)  $G$  contains an element,  $b$  say, of order  $p^k + 1$ .
- (ii) If  $y \in \langle b \rangle$  with  $|y| > 2$ , then  $C_G(y) = \langle b \rangle$ .
- (iii) If  $y$  is a conjugate to a power  $y^r$  in  $G$ , then  $y^r \in \{y, y^{-1}\}$ .
- (iv) The  $C_{b^m}$  are as described in the table (2.1).

We will omit the proofs of (i)-(iii), since they do not provide insights which could be helpful for the construction of the character table of  $SL(2, p^k)$ , and we omit the proof of (iv) since it is practically identical to the one in the proof of (iv) in step 2.

Now to show that the number of conjugacy classes is  $p^k + 4$  and that these conjugacy classes are all disjoint. If we add up the elements contained in those conjugacy classes we get:

$$1 + 1 + 4 \frac{p^{2k} - 1}{2} + \frac{p^k - 3}{2} p^k (p^k + 1) + \frac{p^k - 1}{2} p^k (p^k - 1) = p^k (p^{2k} - 1).$$

As  $p^k (p^{2k} - 1) = |G|$ , so this theorem gives all conjugacy classes of  $SL(2, p^k)$ .

**EXAMPLE (2.2):**

To compute the conjugacy classes of the group  $G = SL(2, 5)$ .

$$|G| = |SL(2, 5)| = 5(5^2 - 1) = 5(24) = 120.$$

This group has exactly  $5 + 4 = 9$  conjugacy classes.

$$v = 2, \quad 1 \leq \ell \leq 1, \quad 1 \leq m \leq 2$$

So these conjugacy classes are:

$$1, z, c, d, zc, zd, a, b, b^2$$

We can table these conjugacy classes as a table (2.1):

$\mathbf{g} \in \mathbf{G}$	Notation	$\mathbf{C}_g$	$ \mathbf{C}_g $	$ \mathbf{C}_G(\mathbf{g}) $
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	1	$\mathbf{C}_1$	1	120
$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$	$z$	$\mathbf{C}_z$	1	120
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$c$	$\mathbf{C}_c$	12	10
$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$d$	$\mathbf{C}_d$	12	10
$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$	$zc$	$\mathbf{C}_{zc}$	12	10
$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$	$zd$	$\mathbf{C}_{zd}$	12	10
$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$	$a$	$\mathbf{C}_a$	30	4
$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$	$b$	$\mathbf{C}_b$	20	6
$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$	$b^2$	$\mathbf{C}_{b^2}$	20	6

## **2.3. IRREDUCIBLE CHARACTERS OF $SL(2, p^k)$ , $p \neq 2$**

In this section we are able to construct the irreducible characters of this group since we know the conjugacy classes of  $SL(2, p^k)$ .

### **THEOREM (2.3.1):**

Let  $\varepsilon = (-1)^{(p^k-1)/2}$ , let  $\rho \in \mathbb{C}$  be a  $(p^k - 1)$ -th root of unity and  $\sigma \in \mathbb{C}$  be a  $(p^k + 1)$ -th root of unity. Note that the character values for  $C_{zc}$  and  $C_{zd}$  can be derived from the following relations for all irreducible characters  $\chi$  of  $SL(2, p^k)$ :

$$\chi(zc) = \frac{\chi(z)}{\chi(1)} \chi(c) \quad , \quad \chi(zd) = \frac{\chi(z)}{\chi(1)} \chi(d)$$

Then the ordinary character table for  $G = SL(2, p^k)$ ,  $p \neq 2$  is:

$C_g$	$1$	$z$	$c$	$d$	$a^\ell$	$b^m$
$ C_g $	$1$	$1$	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$p^k (p^k + 1)$	$p^k (p^k - 1)$
$ C_G(g) $	$p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$	$p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$	$2p^k$	$2p^k$	$p^k - 1$	$p^k + 1$
$1_G$	$1$	$1$	$1$	$1$	$1$	$1$
$\Psi$	$p^k$	$p^k$	$0$	$0$	$1$	$-1$
$\chi_i$	$(p^k + 1)$	$(-1)^i (p^k + 1)$	$1$	$1$	$\rho^{i\ell} + \rho^{-i\ell}$	$0$
$\theta_j$	$(p^k - 1)$	$(-1)^j (p^k - 1)$	$-1$	$-1$	$0$	$-(\sigma^{jm} + \sigma^{-jm})$
$\xi_1$	$(p^k + 1)/2$	$\varepsilon(p^k + 1)/2$	$\frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$\frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$(-1)^\ell$	$0$
$\xi_2$	$(p^k + 1)/2$	$\varepsilon(p^k + 1)/2$	$\frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$\frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$(-1)^\ell$	$0$
$\eta_1$	$(p^k - 1)/2$	$-\varepsilon(p^k - 1)/2$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 + \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$0$	$(-1)^{m+1}$
$\eta_2$	$(p^k - 1)/2$	$-\varepsilon(p^k - 1)/2$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 - \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 + \sqrt{\varepsilon p^k})$	$0$	$(-1)^{m+1}$

TABLE (2.2)

For  $1 \leq i \leq (p^k - 3)/2$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq (p^k - 1)/2$ ,  $1 \leq \ell \leq (p^k - 3)/2$ ,  $1 \leq m \leq (p^k - 1)/2$ .

Columns for  $zc$  and  $zd$  are missing in this table. These values are computed from the relations:

$$\chi(zc) = \frac{\chi(z)}{\chi(1)} \chi(c), \chi(zd) = \frac{\chi(z)}{\chi(1)} \chi(d)$$

**PROOF:** See [6]

**Step 1:**  $1_G, \psi, \chi_1, \dots, \chi_{(p^k-3)/2}$  are irreducible characters of  $G=SL(2, p^k)$  are described in the table (2.2).

Clearly,  $1_G$  is the linear trivial character. To construct the remaining characters of this step of the proof, we use the technique of induced characters as described in chapter one .

Consider the following subgroup of  $G$ :

$$H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 0 \\ x_3 & x_1^{-1} \end{pmatrix} : x_1 \in F^*, x_3 \in F \right\}.$$

To examine the structure of  $H$  further, we, in turn, consider a subgroup  $S$  of  $H$ :

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ x_3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : x_3 \in F \right\}.$$

Thus  $|S| = p^k$ ,  $S \triangleleft H$ ,  $H = S \cdot \langle a \rangle$  and  $S \cap \langle a \rangle = 1$ . Then  $|H| = |S| |\langle a \rangle| = p^k (p^k - 1)$ .

Define linear characters for  $H$  by:

$$\lambda_i: \begin{pmatrix} \nu^t & 0 \\ \beta & \nu^{-t} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \rho^{it} \quad \dots(2.2)$$

where  $\beta \in F$ ,  $\rho \in \mathbb{C}$  is a  $(p^k - 1)$ -th root of and  $0 \leq i \leq p^k - 1$ . We observe that,  $S \subseteq \text{Ker } \lambda_i$ , and that  $\lambda_{p^k-1} = \lambda_0 = 1_H$ , the linear trivial character of  $H$ .

Let  $\lambda_i'' = \lambda_i$  for  $g \in H$  and  $\lambda_i'' = 0$  for  $g \notin H$ . We use formula (1.4) to derive the induced characters  $\lambda_i \uparrow^G$  of  $G$ :

$$\lambda_i \uparrow^G(g) = \frac{[G:H]}{|C_g|} \sum_{y \in C_g} \lambda_i''(y) \quad \dots(2.3)$$

To compute the actual values of  $\lambda_i \uparrow^G(g)$  it is useful to know which of the elements of each conjugacy class  $C_g$  lie in the subgroup  $H$ , since they can be ignored otherwise. Let  $F_s^*$  be the set of non-zero squares in  $F$ , then

$|F_s^*| = (p^k - 1) / 2$ . We will now consider  $C_c$  and  $C_{a^\ell}$  in detail. From (2.1) we derive for  $C_c$  and

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_3 & x_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$g^{-1}cg = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - x_1x_2 & -x_2^2 \\ x_1^2 & 1 - x_1x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in H \Leftrightarrow x_2^2 = 0, \text{ i.e. } x_2 = 0, \text{ thus } C_c \cap H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \beta & 1 \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in F_s^* \right\}.$$

For  $C_{a^\ell}$  we have from the proof of step 2 (iii) in theorem (2.2.3) that

$$g^{-1}a^\ell g = \begin{pmatrix} x_1x_4v^\ell - x_2x_3v^{-\ell} & x_2x_4v^\ell - x_2x_4v^{-\ell} \\ -x_1x_3v^\ell + x_1x_3v^{-\ell} & -x_2x_3v^\ell + x_1x_4v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix}.$$

For  $1 \leq \ell \leq (p^k - 3)/2$  we have seen that  $v^\ell \neq v^{-\ell}$ , and hence

$$g^{-1}a^\ell g \in H \Leftrightarrow x_2x_4 = 0$$

1) Let  $x_2 = 0$ . Then  $g^{-1}a^\ell g = \begin{pmatrix} x_1x_4v^\ell & 0 \\ x_1x_3(v^{-\ell} - v^\ell) & x_1x_4v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $x_1x_4 = 1$ , since

$g$  has determinant 1.

2) Let  $x_4 = 0$ . Then  $g^{-1}a^\ell g = \begin{pmatrix} -x_2x_3v^{-\ell} & 0 \\ x_1x_3(v^{-\ell} - v^\ell) & -x_2x_3v^\ell \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $x_2x_3 = -1$ , since

$g$  has determinant 1

$$\text{Hence } C_{a^\ell} \cap H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} v^\ell & 0 \\ \beta & v^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} v^{-\ell} & 0 \\ \beta & v^\ell \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in F \right\}.$$

$g$	$ C_g $	$\lambda_i''(g)$ for $g \in (C_g \cap H)$	$ C_g \cap H $	$\lambda_i \uparrow^G(g)$
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Clearly, we have  $|C_{a^\ell} \cap H| = 2p^k$ , since  $\beta$  can be chosen arbitrarily and  $v^\ell \neq v^{-\ell}$ . In a similar way to the above the following can be deduced:

$$C_{zc} \cap H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -\beta & -1 \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in F_s^* \right\},$$

$$C_d \cap H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ v\beta & 1 \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in F_s^* \right\},$$

$$C_{zd} \cap H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -v\beta & -1 \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in F_s^* \right\}.$$

We have  $|C_c \cap H| = |C_{zc} \cap H| = |C_d \cap H| = |C_{zd} \cap H| = (p^k - 1) / 2$ . If we sum all the elements of  $H$  over all the conjugacy classes we get:

$$1 + 1 + 4 \frac{p^k - 1}{2} + \frac{p^k - 3}{2} 2p^k = p^k(p^k - 1) = |H|.$$

Thus we have already accounted for all elements of  $H$ , and hence no element of the conjugacy classes  $C_{b^m}$  can lie in  $H$ .

Now with  $[G:H] = p^k + 1$  and using (2.2) and (2.3) we can compute  $\lambda_i \uparrow^G(g)$  for  $g \in G$ :

<b>1</b>	1	1	1	$(p^k + 1)$
<b>z</b>	1	$\rho^{i(p^k-1)/2} = (-1)^i$	1	$(-1)^i(p^k + 1)$
<b>c</b>	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	1	$(p^k - 1)/2$	1
<b>zc</b>	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$\rho^{i(p^k-1)/2} = (-1)^i$	$(p^k - 1)/2$	$(-1)^i$
<b>d</b>	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	1	$(p^k - 1)/2$	1
<b>zd</b>	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$\rho^{i(p^k-1)/2} = (-1)^i$	$(p^k - 1)/2$	$(-1)^i$
<b>a<sup>ℓ</sup></b>	$p^k(p^k + 1)$	(*)	$2p^k$	$\rho^{i\ell} + \rho^{-i\ell}$
<b>b<sup>m</sup></b>	$p^k(p^k - 1)$	-	0	0

TABLE (2.3)

Note that  $\rho^{(p^k-1)/2} = -1$ , since  $p^k - 1$  is even.

(\*) For  $a^\ell \in (C_{a^\ell} \cap H)_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \nu^\ell & 0 \\ \beta & \nu^{-\ell} \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in F \right\}$  we have  $\lambda_i''(a^\ell) = \rho^{i\ell}$  and

$$|(C_{a^\ell} \cap H)_1| = p^k$$

For  $a^\ell \in (C_{a^\ell} \cap H)_2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \nu^{-\ell} & 0 \\ \beta & \nu^\ell \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in F \right\}$  we have  $\lambda_i''(a^\ell) = \rho^{-i\ell}$  and

$$|(C_{a^\ell} \cap H)_2| = p^k.$$

Examining this table we see that not all of the computed characters  $\lambda_i \uparrow^G$  are distinct:  $\rho^{(-i)\ell} = \rho^{(p^k-1-i)\ell}$ , since the roots of unity occur in conjugate pairs.

Hence for  $(p^k + 1)/2 \leq i \leq (p^k - 1)$  we get the same values for  $\rho^{i\ell} + \rho^{-i\ell}$  as in the cases of  $1 \leq i \leq (p^k - 3)/2$ . Thus we only need to consider  $\lambda_i \uparrow^G$  for  $0 \leq i \leq (p^k - 1)/2$ . For these values of  $i$  let  $\chi_i = \lambda_i \uparrow^G$ .



The next task is to investigate whether the characters  $\chi_0, \dots, \chi_{(p^k-1)/2}$  are irreducible. We have seen that a suitable irreducibility criterion is the value of the direct product of a character with itself (proposition 1.3.13).

Now, using formula (1.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \chi_0, \chi_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{p^k(p^{2k}-1)} & \left[ 1 \cdot (p^k+1)^2 + 1 \cdot (p^k+1)^2 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 + \frac{p^k-3}{2} \cdot p^k(p^k+1) \cdot 4 \right] = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\chi_0$  is reducible, i.e., by (lemma 1.3.5), the sum of irreducible characters of  $G$ . From (corollary 1.3.10) we know how to calculate the multiplicities of the constituents of  $\chi_0$ . It is straightforward to check that  $\langle \chi_0, 1_G \rangle = 1$ .

We can deduce from (corollary 1.3.11) and  $\langle \chi_0, \chi_0 \rangle = 2$  that  $\chi_0$  is the sum of the linear trivial character and one further irreducible character of  $G$ ,  $\psi$  say, also with multiplicity 1. The degree of  $\chi_0$  is  $p^k+1$ , and so  $\deg(\psi)$  must be  $p^k$ .

The values  $\psi(g)$  can be computed using  $\psi(g) = \chi_0(g) - 1_G(g)$ .

Now we examine the characters  $\chi_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq (p^k-3)/2$ . In these cases

$$\langle \chi_i, \chi_i \rangle = \frac{1}{p^k(p^{2k}-1)} \left[ 1 \cdot (p^k+1)^2 + 1 \cdot (p^k+1)^2 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 \right]$$

$$\left. + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} p^k (p^k+1) \left| \rho^{i\ell} + \rho^{-i\ell} \right|^2 \right] = 1$$

The only term in this calculation which yields some difficulty is

$$\sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \left| \rho^{i\ell} + \rho^{-i\ell} \right|^2 \quad \text{We use:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \left| \rho^{i\ell} + \rho^{-i\ell} \right|^2 &= \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \rho^{2i\ell} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} 2 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \rho^{-2i\ell} \\ &= (p^k-3)/2 \cdot 2 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \rho^{2i\ell} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \rho^{-2i\ell} \end{aligned}$$

Now the sum of the roots of unity  $\rho^i$  is zero, independently of the value of  $i$ ,

$$\text{i.e. } \rho^i + \rho^{2i} + \dots + \rho^{(p^k-3)i} + \rho^{(p^k-1)i} = 0 \text{ for all } i. \text{ Consequently, } \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-1)/2} \rho^{2i\ell} = 0$$

$$\text{Hence } \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \rho^{2i\ell} = -(\rho^{2i \frac{p^k-1}{2}}) = -1. \text{ Similarly, } \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} \rho^{-2i\ell} = -1.$$

Thus we have shown that the characters  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_{(p^k-3)/2}$  are irreducible.

In step 2 of this proof we will consider the remaining character  $\theta_{(p^k-1)/2}$ .

### PROOF:

**Step 2:**  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{(p^k-1)/2}$  are irreducible characters of  $G = \text{SL}(2, p^k)$  as described in the table of theorem(2.3.1).

As in the first step of this proof we use an induced character to derive the required irreducible characters. In this case let  $L$  be the subgroup of  $G$  generated by the element  $b$ ,  $L = \langle b \rangle$ . Then define the following linear characters for  $L$ :

$$\varphi_j : b^t \rightarrow \sigma^{jt} \quad (2.4)$$

where  $\sigma$  is defined as the  $(2^k + 1)$ -th root of unity,  $1 \leq j \leq (2^k + 1)$ .

Again, let  $\varphi_j''(g) = \varphi_j(g)$  if  $g \in L$  and  $\varphi_j''(g) = 0$  if  $g \notin L$ . From step 3 (i) of theorem (2.2.3) we have  $|L| = 2^k + 1$ . Clearly, the only elements of those in  $G$  that lie in  $L$  are 1, and  $\langle b \rangle$ . Thus, using (2.3) and (2.4) as in step 1, we can derive the following table for the induced characters  $\varphi_j \uparrow^G$ :

TABLE (2.4)

(\*) We saw in step 3 (iii) of theorem (2.2.3) that the only powers of  $b^m$  conjugate to  $b^m$  are  $\{b^m, b^{-m}\}$ . Thus these two elements of  $C_{b^m}$  are the only ones

$g$	$ C_g $	$\varphi_j''(g)$ for $g \in (C_g \cap H)$	$ C_g \cap H $	$\varphi_j \uparrow^G(g)$
<b>1</b>	1	1	1	$2^k(2^k - 1)$
$z$	1	$\sigma^{j(2^k+1)/2} = (-1)^j$	1	$(-1)^j 2^k(2^k - 1)$
$c$	$(2^{2k} - 1)/2$	-	0	0
$zc$	$(2^{2k} - 1)/2$	-	0	0
$d$	$(2^{2k} - 1)/2$	-	0	0
$zd$	$(2^{2k} - 1)/2$	-	0	0
$a^t$	$2^k(2^k + 1)$	-	0	0
$b^m$	$2^k(2^k - 1)$	$\sigma^{jm}$	2(*)	$\sigma^{jm} + \sigma^{-jm}$

that lie in  $L$ .

The characters  $\varphi_j \uparrow^G$  are not irreducible, since  $\deg(\varphi_j \uparrow^G) = p^k(p^k - 1)$  and  $|p^k(p^k - 1)|^2 > |G|$ , which contradicts proposition (1.3.14).

To construct irreducible characters we use a trick: for  $1 \leq j \leq (p^k + 1)/2$ , let  $\theta_j = \psi \lambda_j \uparrow^G - \lambda_j \uparrow^G - \varphi_j \uparrow^G$ . As all terms in this expression are characters,  $\theta_j$  is again a character.

The values for  $\theta_j$  are easy to compute and are listed in the following table:

$g$	$\theta_j(g)$
$1$	$p^k - 1$
$z$	$(-1)^j p^k - 1$
$c$	$-1$
$zc$	$(-1)^{j+1}$
$d$	$-1$
$zd$	$(-1)^{j+1}$
$a^t$	$0$
$b^m$	$-\sigma^{jm} - \sigma^{-jm}$

TABLE (2.5)

To see whether the irreducible, we examine

characters  $\theta_j$  are once more the inner product  $\langle \theta_j, \theta_j \rangle$ . A similar calculation as the one in step 1 of this proof shows that for  $1 \leq j \leq (p^k - 1)/2$ ,  $\langle \theta_j, \theta_j \rangle = 1$  and the  $\theta_j$  are irreducible characters of  $G$ .

Again,  $\theta_{(p^k+1)/2}$  will be considered in the next step of this proof.

**PROOF:**

**Step 3 :** The irreducible characters of  $G = \text{SL}(2, p^k)$  are

$$1_G, \psi, \chi_1, \dots, \chi_{(p^k-3)/2}, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_{(p^k-1)/2} \text{ and } \xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2$$

as described in the table of theorem (2.3.1).

An easy calculation shows that  $\langle \chi_{(p^k-1)/2}, \chi_{(p^k-1)/2} \rangle = 2$ . Thus we conclude as in

step 1 that  $\chi_{(p^k-1)/2}$  is the sum of two irreducible characters,  $\xi_1$  and  $\xi_2$  say, both

with multiplicity 1. We have the following values for  $\chi_{(p^k-1)/2} = \xi_1 + \xi_2$

TABLE (2.6)

$g$	$\xi_1 + \xi_2(g)$
$1$	$p^k + 1$
$z$	$\varepsilon p^k + 1$
$c$	$1$
$zc$	$\varepsilon$
$d$	$1$
$zd$	$\varepsilon$
$a^t$	$2(-1)^t$
$b^m$	$0$

where  $\varepsilon = (-1)^{(p^k-1)/2}$ . We

$= \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$ , and so

also know that  $\text{tr}(A + B)$

$$(\xi_1 + \xi_2)(g) = \xi_1(g) + \xi_2(g)$$

Similarly,  $\langle \theta_{(p^k+1)/2}, \theta_{(p^k+1)/2} \rangle = 2$ . Let  $\theta_{(p^k+1)/2} = \eta_1 + \eta_2$  say, where  $\eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$  are irreducible characters of  $G$ :

TABLE (2.7)

$g$	$\eta_1 + \eta_2(g)$
$1$	$p^k - 1$
$z$	$\varepsilon p^k - 1$
$c$	$-1$
$zc$	$\varepsilon$
$d$	$-1$
$zd$	$\varepsilon$
$a^t$	$0$
$b^m$	$2(-1)^{m+1}$

Again,  $(\eta_1 + \eta_2)(g) = \eta_1(g) + \eta_2(g)$ .

Counting the irreducible characters that we have found so far we get  $p^k + 4$  characters, which are precisely the number we need, because  $G$  has  $p^k + 4$  conjugacy classes (theorem 1.3.16). However, we will still need to show that these irreducible characters are all distinct. Since we know the values of  $1_G, \psi, \chi_i, \theta_j$  and  $(\xi_1 + \xi_2), (\eta_1 + \eta_2)$ , we can compute the inner products among them.

For example, using formula (1), we have:

$$\langle (\xi_1 + \xi_2), 1_G \rangle = \frac{1}{p^k(p^{2k}-1)} \left[ (p^k+1) \cdot 1 + \varepsilon(p^k+1) \cdot 1 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot 1 \right]$$

$$\left[ \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot \varepsilon \cdot 1 + \frac{p^{2k}-1}{2} \cdot \varepsilon \cdot 1 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{(p^k-3)/2} p^\ell (p^\ell + 1) \cdot 2(-1)^\ell \cdot 1 \right] = 0$$

Similarly, all these inner products are zero. Hence all these characters are distinct, except possibly the  $\xi_i$  and  $\eta_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . However, as we can see from the tables  $\xi_1(z) + \xi_2(z) = \varepsilon (\xi_1(1) + \xi_2(1))$ , which forces  $\xi_i(z) = \varepsilon \xi_i(1)$ , whereas  $\eta_i(z) = -\varepsilon \eta_i(1)$ . Thus the  $\xi_i$  and  $\eta_i$  are different.

To complete the table of theorem (2.3.1) it remains to determine the values of  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$ . We assume that  $\varepsilon = +1$ , i.e. that  $p^k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . The proof in the case of  $\varepsilon = -1$  is in large parts very similar and, therefore, omitted.

If  $\varepsilon = +1$ , then  $\xi_i(z) = \xi_i(1)$  and  $\eta_i(z) = -\eta_i(1)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Consequently, from lemma (1.3.20) we have that  $\ker \eta_i$  does not contain  $\langle z \rangle$ , but  $\ker \xi_i$  does. We also see that, for  $N \triangleleft G$ , the irreducible characters of  $G/N$  are all those irreducible characters of  $G$  whose kernels contain  $N$  (proof Corollary 1.3.21). Using this information and (lemma 1.3.20) we deduce that for  $N = \langle z \rangle$  the irreducible characters of  $G/N = \text{SL}(2, p^k) / \langle z \rangle = \text{PSL}(2, p^k)$  are

$$1_G, \psi, \chi_2, \dots, \chi_{(p^k-5)/2}, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{(p^k-1)/2} \text{ and } \xi_1, \xi_2.$$

By proposition (1.3.14) the sum of the squares of the degrees of these characters must equal  $|G/N| = p^k (p^{2k} - 1) / 2$ , i.e.

$$1 + p^{2k} + \frac{p^k - 5}{4}(p^k + 1)^2 + \frac{p^k - 1}{4}(p^k - 1)^2 + \xi_1(1)^2 + \xi_2(1)^2 = \frac{p^k(p^{2k} - 1)}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \xi_1(1)^2 + \xi_2(1)^2 = \frac{p^k + 1}{2}$$

Together with equation  $\xi_1(1) + \xi_2(1) = p^k + 1$  we conclude that  $\xi_1(1) + \xi_2(1) = (p^k + 1) / 2$ . From this it follows directly that  $\xi_i(1) = \xi_i(z) = (p^k + 1) / 2, i = 1, 2$ .

To find the remaining values of  $\xi_1$  and  $\xi_2$  we use the column orthogonality relations (theorem 1.3.18 (2)) for the elements  $\langle z \rangle g$  in  $G/N$ :

$$\begin{aligned} |C_{G/N}(\langle z \rangle g)| &= |1_G(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 + |\psi(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 + |\chi_2(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 + |\chi_4(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 \\ &+ \dots + |\chi_{(p^k-5)/2}(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 + |\theta_2(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 + |\theta_4(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 \\ &+ \dots + |\theta_{(p^k-1)/2}(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 + |\xi_1(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 + |\xi_2(\langle z \rangle g)|^2 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(2.5)$$

The only irreducible characters of  $G/N$  which are not fully known are  $\xi_1$  and  $\xi_2$  and we will use (2.5) to deduce the values for  $\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2$ . Since we also know the values of  $\xi_1 + \xi_2 = \chi_{(p^k-1)/2}$ , these two equations combined and the comments in the proof of (Corollary 1.3.21) will enable us to complete the table for  $\xi_1$  and  $\xi_2$ .

To be able to use (2.5) in the way described, we need to determine



$|C_{G/N}(\langle z \rangle g)|$  for  $\langle z \rangle g \in G/N$ . Thus we consider how the sizes of the conjugacy classes of  $G/N$  differ from the ones in  $G$ : if  $\langle z \rangle g \notin C_g$ , then the size of the conjugate class remains unchanged, i.e.  $|C_{\langle z \rangle g}| = |C_g|$ , and so

$$|C_{G/N}(\langle z \rangle g)| = |G/N| / |C_{\langle z \rangle g}| = (1/2) |G| / |C_g| = (1/2) |C_G(g)|$$

whereas, if  $\langle z \rangle g \in C_g$ , then  $|C_{G/N}(\langle z \rangle g)| = |C_G(g)|$  and  $|C_{\langle z \rangle g}| = (1/2) |C_g|$ .

From theorem (2.2.3) we have that  $c \sim zc$  and  $d \sim zd$ , and hence  $\langle z \rangle c \in C_c$  and  $\langle z \rangle d \in C_d$ . We also see that the only powers of  $a^\ell$  conjugate to  $a^\ell$  are  $\{a^\ell, a^{-\ell}\}$ . Now  $a^{(p^k-1)/2} = z$  and  $a^{-\ell} = a^{(p^k-1)-\ell}$ . Thus

$$a^\ell \sim za^\ell \Leftrightarrow a^{-\ell} = za^\ell \Leftrightarrow a^{(p^k-1)-\ell} = a^{(p^k-1)/2} a^\ell.$$

Thus for  $\ell \neq (p^k - 1) / 4$ ,  $\langle z \rangle a^\ell \notin C_{a^\ell}$ , and for  $\ell = (p^k - 1) / 4$ ,  $\langle z \rangle a^\ell \in C_{a^\ell}$ .

A similar argument for the elements  $b^m$  shows that  $\langle z \rangle b^m \notin C_{b^m}$ .

The orthogonality relation (2.5) for  $\langle z \rangle c$ , for example, leads to:

$$\begin{aligned} p^k &= 1 + 0 + \frac{p^k - 5}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{p^k - 1}{4} \cdot 1 + |\xi_1(\langle z \rangle c)|^2 + |\xi_2(\langle z \rangle c)|^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow |\xi_1(\langle z \rangle c)|^2 + |\xi_2(\langle z \rangle c)|^2 = \frac{p^k + 1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

One can show that for  $p^k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  all ordinary characters of  $G = \text{SL}(2, p^k)$  are real. Thus  $|\xi_1|^2 + |\xi_2|^2 = \xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2$ .

Using the comments in the proof of (Corollary 1.3.21) we deduce from

$$\xi_1(c)^2 + \xi_2(c)^2 = \xi_1(\langle z \rangle c)^2 + \xi_2(\langle z \rangle c)^2 = \frac{p^k + 1}{2}$$

and

$$\xi_1(\langle z \rangle c) + \xi_2(\langle z \rangle c) = \xi_1(c) + \xi_2(c) = (\xi_1 + \xi_2)(c) = 1$$

that

$$\xi_1(c) = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \sqrt{p^k}) \text{ and } \xi_2(c) = \frac{1}{2}(1 \mp \sqrt{p^k}).$$

The signs of the square roots must be chosen such that the row orthogonality relation hold. To ensure this we can use, for example, the equations  $\langle \xi_i, 1_G \rangle = 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . The values of  $\xi_i$  for the elements  $d$ ,  $a^\ell$  and  $b^m$  are derived correspondingly and we can use  $\xi_i(c) = \xi_i(zc)$  and  $\xi_i(d) = \xi_i(zd)$  to find  $\xi_i(zc)$  and  $\xi_i(zd)$ .

The rows for the characters  $\eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$  are filled in a very similar way as the ones of  $\xi_1$  and  $\xi_2$ : the characters  $\eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$  are now the only characters of  $G$  not fully known and we use proposition (1.3.14) as above to deduce the values of  $\eta_1(1)$  and  $\eta_2(1)$ . The remaining values are again computed by using first the column and then the row orthogonality relations in combination with  $\eta_i(g) = -\eta_i(zg)$  for  $g = 1, c, d$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . This finishes the proof of theorem (2.3.1).

### **EXAMPLE (2.3):**

To compute the ordinary character table for  $SL(2,7)$ .

$$|SL(2,7)| = 7(7^2 - 1) = 7(48) = 336$$

$$\varepsilon = -1, 1 \leq i \leq 2, 1 \leq j \leq 3, 1 \leq \ell \leq 2, 1 \leq m \leq 3,$$

$\rho \in \mathbb{C}$  is a primitive 6-th root of unity, to find the 6-th roots of unity in  $\mathbb{C}$ :

$$\rho = r e^{i\theta} = e^{\frac{2k\pi}{6}} \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 5$$

$$\rho_0 = e^{i0} = \cos(0) + i \sin(0) = 1,$$

$$\rho_1 = e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}} = \cos(60) + i \sin(60) = \frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2},$$

$$\rho_2 = e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}} = \cos(120) + i \sin(120) = -\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \quad \rho_3 = e^{i\pi} = \cos(180) + i \sin(180) = -1,$$

$$\rho_4 = e^{i\frac{4\pi}{3}} = \cos(240) + i \sin(240) = -\frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \quad \rho_5 = e^{i\frac{5\pi}{3}} = \cos(300) + i \sin(300) = \frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\rho^1 + \rho^{-1} = \rho_1 + \rho_5 = 1, \rho^2 + \rho^{-2} = \rho_2 + \rho_4 = -1, \rho^4 + \rho^{-4} = \rho_4 + \rho_2 = -1$$

$\sigma \in \mathbb{C}$  is a primitive 8-th root of unity, to find the 8-th roots of unity in  $\mathbb{C}$ :

$$\sigma = r e^{i\theta} = e^{\frac{2k\pi}{8}} \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 7$$

$$\sigma_0 = e^{i0} = 1,$$

$$\sigma_1 = e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}},$$

$$\sigma_2 = e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = i,$$

$$\sigma_3 = e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}},$$

$$\sigma_4 = e^{i\pi} = -1,$$

$$\sigma_5 = e^{i\frac{5\pi}{4}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}},$$

$$\sigma_6 = e^{i\frac{3\pi}{2}} = -i,$$

$$\sigma_7 = e^{i\frac{7\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sigma^1 + \sigma^{-1} = \sigma_1 + \sigma_7 = \sqrt{2}, \sigma^2 + \sigma^{-2} = \sigma_2 + \sigma_6 = 0, \sigma^3 + \sigma^{-3} = \sigma_3 + \sigma_5 = -\sqrt{2},$$

$$\sigma^4 + \sigma^{-4} = \sigma_4 + \sigma_4 = -2, \sigma^6 + \sigma^{-6} = \sigma_6 + \sigma_2 = 0, (\sigma^9 + \sigma^{-9})_{\text{mod } 8} = \sigma^1 + \sigma^{-1} = \sqrt{2},$$

This group has  $7 + 4 = 11$  conjugacy classes:

$$1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, z = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, c = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, zc = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 6 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, zd = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}, a = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$a^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, b^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, b^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The orders of these conjugacy classes are:

$$o(z) = 2, o(c) = o(d) = 7, o(zc) = o(zd) = 14, o(a) = 6, o(a^2) = 3,$$

$$o(b) = o(b^3) = 8, o(b^2) = 4$$

The ordinary character table for  $SL(2,7)$  is:

$C_g$	<b>1</b>	$z$	$c$	$d$	$zc$	$zd$	$a$	$a^2$	$b$	$b^2$	$b^3$
$ C_g $	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>
$ C_G(g) $	<b>336</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	7	7	0	0	0	0	1	1	-1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	8	-8	1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	0	0	0
$\chi_2$	8	8	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	0	0	0
$\theta_1$	6	-6	-1	-1	1	1	0	0	$-\sqrt{2}$	0	$\sqrt{2}$
$\theta_2$	6	6	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	2	0
$\theta_3$	6	-6	-1	-1	1	1	0	0	$\sqrt{2}$	0	$-\sqrt{2}$
$\xi_1$	4	-4	$\frac{1}{2}(1+\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(1-\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1-\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1+\sqrt{-7})$	-1	1	0	0	0
$\xi_2$	4	-4	$\frac{1}{2}(1-\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(1+\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1+\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1-\sqrt{-7})$	-1	1	0	0	0
$\eta_1$	3	3	$\frac{1}{2}(-1+\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1-\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1+\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1-\sqrt{-7})$	0	0	1	-1	1
$\eta_2$	3	3	$\frac{1}{2}(-1-\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1+\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1-\sqrt{-7})$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1+\sqrt{-7})$	0	0	1	-1	1

## **Chapter Three**

# **The Cyclic Decomposition Of $K(\text{sl}(2,p))$**



# THE CYCLIC DECOMPOSITION OF $K(SL(2,P))$

## **3.1. INTRODUCTION:**

This chapter is devoted to study the character table of the irreducible rational representations of  $SL(2,p^k)$ ,  $p$  is an odd prime,  $k > 0$  and odd, then we introduce the diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong^*SL(2,p)$ ) which gives us the cyclic decomposition of  $K(SL(2,p))$ , where  $k = 1$ , and  $p = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17,$  and  $19$ .

## **3.2. THE CHARACTER TABLE OF IRREDUCIBLE RATIONAL REPRESENTATIONS OF $SL(n,p^k)$ :**

In this section we will give the character table of the irreducible rational representations of  $SL(2,p^k)$ ,  $p$  is an odd prime,  $k > 0$  and odd by using the character table and the Schur indices of  $SL(2,p^k)$ .

### **THEOREM (3.2.1):** See [2]

Let  $G = SL(2,p^k)$ , then the Schur indices of the irreducible characters of  $G$  over the rational numbers  $Q$  are as follows:

	$p^k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$p^k \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$
$1_G$	1	1
$\psi$	1	1
$\chi_i$	2 ( $i$ odd)	2 ( $i$ odd)
	1 ( $i$ even)	1 ( $i$ even)
$\theta_j$	2 ( $j$ odd)	2 ( $j$ odd)
	1 ( $j$ even)	1 ( $j$ even)
$\xi_1$	1	1
$\xi_2$	1	1
$\eta_1$	2	1
$\eta_2$	2	1

TABLE (3.1)

**LEMMA (3.2.2):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity. Then  $\zeta + \zeta^{-1}$  is rational if and only if  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6$ . The values which occur are as follows:

$n$	1	2	3	4	6
$\zeta + \zeta^{-1}$	2	-2	-1	0	1

TABLE (3.2)

**PROOF:** See [2].

The result is clear for  $n = 1$  or  $2$  so that we may assume that  $n \geq 3$ .

As  $x^2 - (\zeta + \zeta^{-1})x + 1 = (x - \zeta)(x - \zeta^{-1})$ , the index  $(Q(\zeta):Q(\zeta + \zeta^{-1})) = 2$  unless  $\zeta \in Q$ , that is, unless  $n = 1$  or  $2$ . It follows that  $\zeta + \zeta^{-1} \in Q$  if and only if  $\Phi(n) = (Q(\zeta):Q) = 2$ .

Examination of the possibilities shows that  $\Phi(n) = 2$  if and only if  $n = 3, 4$  or  $6$ .

Recall that  $\Phi(n)$  is the Euler totient function which is defined by the number of positive integers not exceeding  $n$  which are relatively prime to  $n$ .



**Corollary (3.2.3):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity and  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $\zeta + \zeta^{-1} \in \mathbb{Q}$ , then so is  $\zeta^m + \zeta^{-m}$ .

**PROOF:** See [3].

This follows from lemma (3.2.2).

**Corollary (3.2.4):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity, let  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . Then  $\zeta^j + \zeta^{-j}$  is rational if and only if  $n = j, 2j, 3j, 4j, 6j, \frac{3}{2}j, \frac{4}{3}j, \frac{6}{5}j$ .

**PROOF:** See [2].

Let  $(j,n)$  denote the greatest common divisor of  $j$  and  $n$ . Write  $j = a(j,n)$  and  $n = b(j,n)$  so that  $a$  and  $b$  are coprime and  $0 \leq \frac{a}{b} \leq 1$ .

As  $\zeta^j$  is a primitive  $b$ -th root of unity, lemma (3.2.2) shows that  $\zeta^j + \zeta^{-j}$  is rational if and only if  $b = 1, 2, 3, 4$  or  $6$ . For these values of  $b$ , the corresponding possibilities for  $\frac{a}{b}$  are  $1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{6}$  and  $\frac{5}{6}$ . As  $j = \frac{a}{b}n$ , the result follows.

**LEMMA (3.2.5):**

Let  $\sigma$  be a primitive  $(p^k + 1)$ -th root of unity where  $p$  is odd prime. Suppose that  $p^k \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$  and that  $j = 1, 3, \dots, \frac{p^k - 1}{2}$  then  $\sigma^j + \sigma^{-j}$  is not rational.

**PROOF:** See [3].

Suppose that  $\sigma^j + \sigma^{-j} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . As  $1 \leq j \leq \frac{p^k-1}{2}$ , Corollary (3.2.4) implies that

$j = \frac{p^k+1}{d}$  for  $d = 3, 4$  or  $6$ , by hypothesis,  $8 \nmid (p^k+1)$  so that  $\frac{p^k+1}{d}$  is even

for  $d = 3, 4$  or  $6$ . This contradicts the assumption that  $j$  is odd.

**LEMMA (3.2.6):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $(p^k+1)$ -th root of unity where  $p$  is odd prime. If

$p^k \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  and  $\ell$  is a positive integer, then  $\zeta^{\frac{p^k+1}{4}\ell} + \zeta^{-\frac{p^k+1}{4}\ell}$  is rational.

**PROOF:** See [3].

This follows from Corollary (3.2.4) and Corollary (3.2.3).

**Corollary (3.2.7):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity and  $n \neq 2$ . Then

$$(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta) : \mathbb{Q}(\zeta + \zeta^{-1})) = 2 \text{ and } (\mathbb{Q}(\zeta + \zeta^{-1}) : \mathbb{Q}) = \frac{1}{2} \Phi(n).$$

**PROOF:** See [2].

This follows from the fact that  $(x - \zeta)(x - \zeta^{-1}) = x^2 - (\zeta + \zeta^{-1})x + 1$  and

$$(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta) : \mathbb{Q}) = \Phi(n).$$

**LEMMA (3.2.8):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity,  $i \in Z$  and  $d_i = (i,n)$ . If  $n > 2d_i$ , then

$$(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta^i + \zeta^{-i}):\mathbb{Q}) = \frac{1}{2} \Phi\left(\frac{n}{d_i}\right).$$

**PROOF:** See [2].

**Corollary (3.2.9):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity and  $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$ . Then

$$(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta^i + \zeta^{-i}):\mathbb{Q}) = \frac{1}{2} \Phi\left(\frac{n}{d_i}\right).$$

where  $d_i = (i,n)$

**PROOF:** See [2].

This follows from lemma (3.2.8).

Let  $M$  be a field of characteristic zero and let  $K$  be a subfield of  $M$ . suppose that  $M$  is a finite and normal extension of  $K$  with Galois group  $\Gamma = \Gamma(M:K)$ . For any  $a \in M$  define the trace

$$\text{Tr}_{M \rightarrow K}(a) = \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} a^\alpha.$$

**LEMMA (3.2.10):**

Let  $K \leq L \leq M$  be fields and let  $M$  be a finite and normal extension of  $K$ . Then:

$$\text{Tr}_{L \rightarrow K}(\text{Tr}_{M \rightarrow L}(x)) = \text{Tr}_{M \rightarrow K}(x) \quad \text{where } x \in M.$$

**PROOF:** See [2].

**LEMMA (3.2.11):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity,  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $d_i = (i, n)$ . and let  $n \neq d_i, 2d_i$ . Then:

$$\sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma_i} (\zeta^i + \zeta^{-i})^\alpha = \mu\left(\frac{n}{d_i}\right).$$

where  $\Gamma_i = \Gamma(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta^i + \zeta^{-i}) : \mathbb{Q})$  and  $\mu$  is the Möbius function.

Recall that  $\mu$  function defined by:

$$\mu(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ 0 & \text{if } a^2 / n \text{ for some } a > 1 \\ (-1)^K & \text{if } n = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_K, p_i \text{ are distinct primes.} \end{cases}$$

See [9]

**PROOF:** See [2].

**LEMMA (3.2.12):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity,  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $d_i = (i, n)$ . and let  $n \neq d_i, 2d_i$ . Let  $\Gamma = \Gamma(Q(\zeta + \zeta^{-1}):Q)$ . Then

$$\sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} (\zeta^i + \zeta^{-i})^\alpha = \frac{\Phi(n)}{\Phi(\frac{n}{d_i})} \mu(\frac{n}{d_i}).$$

**PROOF:** See [2].

**Corollary (3.2.13):**

Let  $\zeta$  be a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity and  $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$ . Let  $\Gamma = \Gamma(Q(\zeta + \zeta^{-1}):Q)$ . Then

$$\sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} (\zeta^i + \zeta^{-i})^\alpha = \frac{\Phi(n)}{\Phi(\frac{n}{d_i})} \mu(\frac{n}{d_i}).$$

where  $d_i = (i, n)$ .

**PROOF:** See [2].

**LEMMA (3.2.14):**

Let  $\chi$  be a rational valued character of  $G$  and let  $x, y \in G$  with  $\langle x \rangle = \langle y \rangle$ . Then  $\chi(x) = \chi(y)$ .

**PROOF:** See [4].

**LEMMA (3.2.15):**

Let  $G = SL(2,p^k)$ , where  $p$  is an odd prime. Then  $\langle c \rangle = \langle d \rangle$  if and only if  $k$  is odd.

**PROOF:** See [2].

**NOTATION:**

Let  $G = SL(2,p^k)$  for some prime  $p \neq 2$ ,  $e$  and  $e'$  denote divisors of  $p^k - 1$  such that  $e < \frac{p^k - 1}{2}$  and  $e' < \frac{p^k - 1}{2}$ ,  $f$  and  $f'$  denote divisors of  $p^k + 1$  such that  $f < \frac{p^k + 1}{2}$  and  $f' < \frac{p^k + 1}{2}$ ,  $\rho_e$  is a primitive  $(\frac{p^k - 1}{e})$ -th root of unity,  $\sigma_f$  is a primitive  $(\frac{p^k + 1}{f})$ -th root of unity,  $1, z, c, d, a, b$  are as in theorem (2.2.3),  $\varepsilon, \rho$  and  $\sigma$  are as in theorem (2.3.1).

$$B(k) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \\ 2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E(p^k) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p^k \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \\ 2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$A(e) = \frac{1}{2} \Phi\left(\frac{p^k - 1}{e}\right)$$

$$C(f) = \frac{1}{2} \Phi\left(\frac{p^k + 1}{f}\right)$$

$$\tau_1(e, e') = \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} (\rho_e^{e'} + \rho_e^{-e'})^\alpha = \frac{\Phi\left(\frac{p^k - 1}{e}\right)}{\Phi\left(\frac{p^k - 1}{ee'}\right)} \mu\left(\frac{p^k - 1}{ee'}\right)$$

by lemma (3.2.11) where  $\Gamma = \Gamma(Q(\chi_e):Q)$ . [Note that  $\Gamma = \Gamma(Q(\rho_e + \rho_e^{-1}):Q)$ ].

$$\tau_2(f, f') = \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma_1} (\sigma_f^{f'} + \sigma_f^{-f'})^\alpha = \frac{\Phi\left(\frac{p^k + 1}{f}\right)}{\Phi\left(\frac{p^k + 1}{f f'}\right)} \mu\left(\frac{p^k + 1}{f f'}\right)$$

where  $\Gamma_1 = \Gamma(Q(\theta_f):Q)$ . [Note that  $\Gamma = \Gamma(Q(\sigma_f + \sigma_f^{-1}):Q)$ ].

$\chi_i, \theta_j$  are irreducible characters of  $G$  as in theorem (2.3.1). Then  $\sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \chi_i^\alpha$ ,

where  $\Gamma = \Gamma(Q(\chi_i):Q)$ , and  $\sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma_1} \theta_j^\alpha$ , where  $\Gamma_1 = \Gamma(Q(\theta_j):Q)$ , are rational valued

characters of  $G$ .

$$\chi_e = B(e) \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \chi_i^\alpha \text{ where } e = (i, p^k - 1).$$

$$\theta_j = B(f) \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma_1} \theta_j^\alpha \text{ where } f = (i, p^k + 1).$$

$\xi'$  and  $\eta'$  denote the irreducible characters of the rational representations of  $G$  arising from  $\xi_1$  (or  $\xi_2$ ) and  $\eta_1$  (or  $\eta_2$ ) respectively where  $k$  is odd.

Also we know that the column for the class  $zc$  is obtained from the relation

$$\chi(zc) = \frac{\chi(z)}{\chi(1)} \chi(c) \text{ where } \chi \text{ is an irreducible character of } G.$$

So the character table of rational representations of  $SL(2, p^k)$ ,  $p$  an odd prime,  $k$  odd is described in table (3.3). See [2].

<b>Cg</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>z</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>zc</b>	$a^{e'}$	$b^{f'}$
Cg	1	1	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$(p^{2k} - 1)/2$	$p^k (p^k + 1)$	$p^k (p^k - 1)$
CG(g)	$p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$	$p^k (p^{2k} - 1)$	$2p^k$	$2p^k$	$p^k - 1$	$p^k + 1$
<b>1<sub>G</sub></b>	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>ψ</b>	$p^k$	$p^k$	0	0	1	-1
<b>χ<sub>e</sub></b>	$(p^k + 1)A(e)B(e)$	$(-1)^e (p^k + 1)A(e)B(e)$	$A(e)B(e)$	$(-1)^e A(e)B(e)$	$B(e)\tau_1(e, e')$	0
<b>θ<sub>f</sub></b>	$(p^k - 1)C(f)B(f)$	$(-1)^f (p^k - 1)C(f)B(f)$	$-C(f)B(f)$	$-(-1)^f C(f)B(f)$	0	$-B(e)\tau_2(f, f')$
<b>ζ<sub>1</sub> + ζ<sub>2</sub></b>	$(p^k + 1)$	$\varepsilon (p^k + 1)$	1	$\varepsilon$	$(-1)^{e'} 2$	0
<b>η<sub>1</sub> + η<sub>1</sub></b>	$(p^k - 1)E(p^k)$	$-\varepsilon (p^k - 1)E(p^k)$	-1	$\varepsilon$	0	$(-1)^{f'+1} 2E(p^k)$

TABLE (3.3)



**EXAMPLE (3.1):**

To find the character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,5)$ .  $e$  and  $e'$  are divisors of 4 which are 1, 2, 4, such that  $e < 2$ , and  $e' < 2$ , so  $e = e' = 1$ ,  $f$  and  $f'$  are divisors of 6 which are 1, 2, 3, 6, such that  $f < 3$ , and  $f' < 3$ , so  $f = f' = 1, 2$ ,

$\varepsilon = 1$ , from that:

the conjugacy classes are  $1, z, c, zc, a, b$ , and  $b^2$

the characters are  $1_G, \psi, \chi_1, \theta_1, \theta_2, \xi_1 + \xi_2 = \xi',$  and  $\eta_1 + \eta_2 = \eta'$

$$A(1) = \frac{1}{2}\Phi(4)=1, B(1)=2, \tau_1(1,1) = \frac{\Phi(4)}{\Phi(4)} \mu(4)=0, C(1)=1,$$

$$\tau_2(1,1) = \frac{\Phi(6)}{\Phi(6)} \mu(6)=1, \tau_2(1,2) = \frac{\Phi(6)}{\Phi(\frac{6}{2})} \mu(\frac{6}{2}) = \frac{6}{2}(-1) = -1, C(2) = \frac{1}{2}\Phi(\frac{6}{2}) = \frac{1}{2}(2)=1,$$

$$B(2)=1, \tau_2(2,1) = \frac{\Phi(3)}{\Phi(3)} \mu(3) = -1, \text{ we find } \tau_2(2,2) \text{ by (lemma 3.2.12) and}$$

$$\text{(corollary 3.2.13) so } \tau_2(2,1) = -\frac{\Phi(3)}{\Phi(3)} \mu(3) = -1, E(5)=2.$$

by Schur indices(theorem 3.2.1) we divide  $\chi_1, \theta_1,$  and  $\eta'$  by 2, and others by 1

The character table of rational representation of  $SL(2,5)$  is:

$C_g$	<b>1</b>	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$a$	$b$	$b^2$
$ C_g $	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>
$ C_G(g) $	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	5	5	0	0	1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	6	-6	1	-1	0	0	0
$\theta_1$	4	-4	-1	1	0	-1	1
$\theta_2$	4	4	-1	-1	0	1	1
$\xi'$	6	6	1	1	-2	0	0
$\eta'$	4	-4	-1	1	0	2	-2

### 3.3. THE CYCLIC DECOMPOSITION OF $K(SL(2,p))$ WHERE $p = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, \text{ AND } 19$

In this section we will introduce the diagonalization of the matrix  $(\cong *SL(2,p))$  by row and column operations with the condition (when we multiply row or column by a number the number must be integer). which gives us the cyclic decomposition of  $K(SL(2,p))$ , where  $p = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, \text{ and } 19$ .

If we suppose that the diagonalization of the matrix  $(\cong *SL(2,p))$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & m_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,p))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,p)) = \mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{m_2} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{m_3} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{m_n}$$

#### **EXAMPLE (3.2):**

To find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $K(SL(2,3))$ .

The character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,3)$  is :

$C_g$	1	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$b$
$ C_g $	1	1	4	4	6
$ C_G(g) $	24	24	6	6	4
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	3	3	0	0	-1
$\theta_1$	2	-2	-1	1	0
$\xi_1 + \xi_2$	4	-4	1	-1	0
$\eta_1 + \eta_2$	2	2	-1	-1	2

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong *SL(2,3)$ ) is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 24 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,3))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,3)) = \mathbb{Z}_{24} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_6 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1$$

### **EXAMPLE (3.3):**

To find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $K(SL(2,5))$ .

The character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,5)$  is :

$C_g$	<b>1</b>	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$a$	$b$	$b^2$
$ C_g $	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>
$ C_G(g) $	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	5	5	0	0	1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	6	-6	1	-1	0	0	0
$\theta_1$	4	-4	-1	1	0	-1	1
$\theta_2$	4	4	-1	-1	0	1	1
$\xi'$	6	6	1	1	-2	0	0
$\eta'$	4	-4	-1	1	0	2	-2

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong *SL(2,5)$ ) is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 120 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -30 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,5))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,5)) = Z_{120} \oplus Z_{30} \oplus Z_2 \oplus Z_1 \oplus Z_1 \oplus Z_1 \oplus Z_2$$

**EXAMPLE (3.4):**

To find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $K(SL(2,7))$ .

The character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,7)$  is :

$C_g$	<b>1</b>	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$a$	$a^2$	$b$	$b^2$
$ C_g $	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>
$ C_G(g) $	<b>336</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	7	7	0	0	1	1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	8	-8	1	-1	1	-1	0	0
$\chi_2$	8	8	1	1	-1	-1	0	0
$\theta_1$	12	-12	-2	2	0	0	0	0
$\theta_2$	6	6	-1	-1	0	0	0	2
$\xi_1 + \xi_2$	8	-8	1	-1	-2	2	0	0
$\eta_1 + \eta_2$	6	6	-1	-1	0	0	2	-2

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong^*SL(2,7)$ ) is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 336 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -84 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,7))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,7)) = \mathbb{Z}_{336} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{84} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$$

**EXAMPLE (3.5):**

To find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $K(SL(2,11))$ .

The character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,11)$  is :

$C_g$	1	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$a$	$a^2$	$b$	$b^2$	$b^3$	$b^4$
$ C_g $	1	1	60	60	132	132	110	110	110	110
$ C_G(g) $	1320	1320	22	22	10	10	12	12	12	12
$\mathbf{1}_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	11	11	0	0	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	24	-24	2	-2	1	-1	0	0	0	0
$\chi_2$	24	24	2	2	-1	-1	0	0	0	0
$\theta_1$	20	-20	-2	2	0	0	0	-2	0	2
$\theta_2$	10	10	-1	-1	0	0	-1	1	2	1
$\theta_3$	10	-10	-1	1	0	0	0	2	0	-2
$\theta_4$	10	10	-1	-1	0	0	1	1	-2	1
$\xi_1 + \xi_2$	12	-12	1	-1	-2	2	0	0	0	0
$\eta_1 + \eta_2$	10	10	-1	-1	0	0	2	-2	2	-2

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong^*SL(2,11)$ ) is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1320 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -330 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,11))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,11)) = \mathbb{Z}_{1320} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{330} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_6 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1$$

**EXAMPLE (3.6):**

To find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $K(SL(2,13))$ .

The character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,13)$  is :

$C_g$	1	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$a$	$a^2$	$a^3$	$a^4$	$b$	$b^2$
$ C_g $	1	1	84	84	182	182	182	182	156	156
$ C_G(g) $	2184	2184	26	26	12	12	12	12	14	14
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	13	13	0	0	1	1	1	1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	28	-28	2	-2	0	2	0	-2	0	0
$\chi_2$	14	14	1	1	1	-1	-2	-1	0	0
$\chi_3$	14	-14	1	-1	0	-2	0	2	0	0
$\chi_4$	14	14	1	1	-1	-1	2	-1	0	0
$\theta_1$	36	-36	-3	3	0	0	0	0	-1	1
$\theta_2$	36	36	-3	-3	0	0	0	0	1	1
$\xi_1 + \xi_2$	14	14	1	1	-2	2	-2	2	0	0
$\eta_1 + \eta_2$	12	-12	-1	1	0	0	0	0	2	-2

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong *SL(2,13)$ ) is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2184 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -546 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,13))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,13)) = \mathbb{Z}_{2184} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{546} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_6 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1$$



**EXAMPLE (3.7):**

To find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $K(SL(2,17))$ .

The character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,17)$  is :

$C_g$	1	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$a$	$a^2$	$a^4$	$b$	$b^2$	$b^3$	$b^6$
$ C_g $	1	1	144	144	306	306	306	272	272	272	272
$ C_G(g) $	4896	4896	34	34	16	16	16	18	18	18	18
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	17	17	0	0	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	72	-72	4	-4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\chi_2$	36	36	2	2	0	0	-4	0	0	0	0
$\chi_4$	18	18	1	1	0	-2	2	0	0	0	0
$\theta_1$	48	-48	-3	3	0	0	0	0	0	-3	3
$\theta_2$	48	48	-3	-3	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
$\theta_3$	16	-16	-1	1	0	0	0	-1	1	2	-2
$\theta_6$	16	16	-1	-1	0	0	0	1	1	-2	-2
$\xi_1 + \xi_2$	18	18	1	1	-2	2	2	0	0	0	0
$\eta_1 + \eta_2$	16	-16	-1	1	0	0	0	2	-2	2	-2

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong *SL(2,17)$ ) is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4896 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1224 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,17))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,17)) = \mathbb{Z}_{4896} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{1224} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_6$$

### **EXAMPLE (3.8):**

To find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $K(SL(2,19))$ .

The character table of rational representations of  $SL(2,19)$  is :

$C_g$	1	$z$	$c$	$zc$	$a$	$a^2$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$b^2$	$b^4$
$ C_g $	1	1	180	180	380	380	380	380	342	342	342
$ C_G(g) $	6840	6840	38	38	18	18	18	18	20	20	20
$1_G$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\psi$	19	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1
$\chi_1$	60	-60	3	-3	0	0	3	-3	0	0	0
$\chi_2$	60	60	3	3	0	0	-3	-3	0	0	0
$\chi_3$	20	-20	1	-1	1	-1	-2	2	0	0	0
$\chi_6$	20	20	1	1	-1	-1	2	2	0	0	0
$\theta_1$	72	-72	-4	4	0	0	0	0	0	-2	2
$\theta_2$	72	72	-4	-4	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
$\theta_4$	18	-18	-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	-2
$\xi_1 + \xi_2$	20	-20	1	-1	-2	2	-2	2	0	0	0
$\eta_1 + \eta_2$	18	18	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	2	-2	-2

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong *SL(2,19)$ ) is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6840 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1710 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,19))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,19)) = \mathbb{Z}_{6840} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{1710} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_6 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$$

### 3.4. CONCLUSIONS

The diagonalization of the matrix ( $\cong^*SL(2,p)$ ) is

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & m_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Also the cyclic decomposition for the group  $K(SL(2,p))$  is:

$$K(SL(2,p)) = \mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{m_2} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{m_3} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{m_n}$$

This as result some conclusions can be considered:

- 1.**  $m_1 = |SL(2,p)|$ .
- 2.**  $m_2 = |SL(2,p)| / 4$ .
- 3.** We don't find a similar approach to other elements.

### **3.5. SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE WORK**

Based on the present work, the following topics are put forward for future work.

- 1.** Generalize the cyclic decomposition of the group  $SL(2,p)$ , where  $p$  is an odd prime ( $p \neq 2$ ).
- 2.** Find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $SL(2,p^2)$ , where  $p$  is an odd prime ( $p \neq 2$ ).
- 3.** Find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $SL(2,p^k)$ , where  $p$  is an odd prime ( $p \neq 2$ ),  $k$  is even.
- 4.** Find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $SL(2,2^n)$ .
- 5.** Find the cyclic decomposition of the group  $PSL(2,p^k)$ ,  $p \neq 2$ .

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# المستخلص

ان مجموعة كل دوال الصفوف ذات القيم الصحيحة للزمرة المنتهية  $G$  تكون زمرة ابدالية مع الجمع النقطي ويرمز لها بالرمز  $cf(G,Z)$  وهناك زمرة جزئية من تلك الزمرة هي زمرة الشواخص العمومية ذات القيم الصحيحة للزمرة  $G$  ويرمز لها بالرمز  $R(G)$ .  
ان مسألة ايجاد التجزئة الدائرية لزمرة القسمة

$$K(G) = cf(G,Z) / R(G)$$

قد اعتبرت في هذه الرسالة للزمرة المنتهية الخطية الخاصة  $SL(2,p)$  عندما

$$P = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19$$





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