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**CHARACTER THEORY OF FINITE GROUPS — EXERCISE SHEET 6****JUN.-PROF. DR. CAROLINE LASSUEUR**

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Throughout this exercise sheet  $G$  denotes a finite group. Each Exercise is worth 4 points.

**EXERCISE 21**

Let  $G$  be a finite group of odd order, and let  $r$  denote the number of conjugacy classes of  $G$ . Use character theory to prove that

$$r \equiv |G| \pmod{16}.$$

[Hint: Label the set  $\text{Irr}(G)$  of irreducible characters taking dual characters into account.]

**EXERCISE 22**

Prove that the character table is determined by the class multiplication constants, and conversely.

**EXERCISE 23**

Prove the following assertions:

- (a) if  $\chi \in \text{Irr}(G)$ , then  $Z(\chi)/\ker(\chi) \cong Z(G/\ker(\chi))$ ;
- (b)  $\bigcap_{\chi \in \text{Irr}(G)} Z(\chi) = Z(G)$ .

**EXERCISE 24 (Facultative, requires Galois Theory)**

Assume  $G$  is a finite cyclic group of order  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ , and let  $S := \{g \in G \mid \langle g \rangle = G\}$ . Let  $\chi$  be a character of  $G$  such that  $\chi(g) \neq 0$  for each  $g \in S$ . Prove that:

- (a) the Galois group  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)/\mathbb{Q})$  permutes  $S$ ;
- (b)  $\prod_{g \in S} |\chi(g)|^2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ , and hence an integer;
- (c)  $\prod_{g \in S} |\chi(g)|^2 \geq 1$ ;
- (d) deduce that  $\sum_{g \in S} |\chi(g)|^2 \geq |S|$ .