

M3/4/5P12 PROGRESS TEST #2

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Note: all representations are assumed to be on finite dimensional complex vector spaces.

Question 1. Let G be a finite group and let (V, ρ_V) and (W, ρ_W) be representations of G .

- (1) Define the representation with underlying vector space $\text{Hom}(V, W)$.
- (2) Prove that $f : V \rightarrow W$ is G -linear if and only if $f \in \text{Hom}(V, W)^G \subset \text{Hom}(V, W)$, where $\text{Hom}(V, W)^G$ denotes the invariant subspace.
- (3) What is the formula for the character of the representation $\text{Hom}(V, W)$ in terms of the characters χ_V and χ_W of (V, ρ_V) and (W, ρ_W) ? Justify your answer if (W, ρ_W) is the trivial 1-dimensional representation.
- (4) Let $G = D_{10} = \langle s, t : s^5 = t^2 = e, tst = s^{-1} \rangle$. There are two irreducible 2-dimensional representations of G , which we call (V, ρ_V) and (W, ρ_W) . If we choose suitable bases of V and W , we have

$$\rho_V(s) = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta & 0 \\ 0 & \zeta^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_V(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\rho_W(s) = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \zeta^{-2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_W(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $\zeta := e^{2\pi i/5}$.

Compute the decomposition of $\text{Hom}(V, W)$ into irreducible representations of D_{10} . Justify your answer.

Question 2.

- (1) Let G be a finite group. State the row and column orthogonality relations for a character table.
- (2) For the rest of this question, G will be a group of order 20 with 5 conjugacy classes. Here are the first two lines of its character table:

size of conjugacy class	$g_1 = e$	g_2	g_3	g_4	g_5
	1	4	5	5	5
$\chi_1 = \chi_{\text{triv}}$	1	1	1	1	1
χ_2	1	1	i	-1	$-i$

What are the dimensions of the remaining representations of G ? Justify your answer.

- (3) Find another 1-dimensional representation of G .
- (4) Find the remaining entries of the character table, and justify your answer.