

# The Integer-valued Characters of Some Mathieu Groups

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## Abstract

Using the concept of markaracter tables proposed by S. Fujita, we are able to discuss characters and marks concerning a group of a finite order on a common basis. He also introduced tables of integer-valued characters that are obtained for finite groups. In this paper, all the integer-valued characters for some Mathieu groups ( $M_{22}$ ,  $M_{23}$  and  $M_{24}$ ) are successfully derived for the first time.

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## 1 Introduction

Shinsaku Fujita suggested a new concept called the markaracter table, which enables us to discuss marks and characters for a finite group on a common basis, and then introduced tables of integer-valued characters, which are acquired for such groups [4].

Fujita's theory was further developed and utilized for a variety of enumeration problems of chemical species eventually [3, 4]. A dominant class is defined as a disjoint union of conjugacy classes corresponding the same cyclic subgroups, which is selected as a representative of conjugate cyclic subgroups. Moreover, the cyclic (dominant) subgroup  $G_i$  selected from a non-redundant set of cyclic subgroups of  $G$  denoted by  $SCS_G$  is

used to compute the integer-valued character of  $G$  [4]. Probing all the integer-valued characters for some Mathieu groups ( $M_{22}$ ,  $M_{23}$ ,  $M_{24}$ ), our aim in this study.

## 2 Main Results

In this section, respect to Fujita's symbols, we describe some notations that will be kept thoroughly in this paper.

**Definition 2.1** *Let  $G$  be an arbitrary finite group and  $h_1, h_2 \in G$  we say  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  are  $Q$ -conjugate if  $t \in G$  exists such that  $t^{-1} < h_1 > t = < h_2 >$ , which is an equivalence relation on group  $G$  and generates equivalence classes that are called dominant classes. Therefore  $G$  is partitioned into dominant classes as follows:  $G = K_1 + K_2 + \dots + K_s$  such that  $K_i$  corresponds to the cyclic (dominant) subgroup  $G_i$  chosen from a non-redundant set of cyclic subgroups of  $G$  denoted  $SCS_G$ .*

Now assume that an action  $P$  of  $G$  on a set  $X$  and a subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  are given. So by considering the set  $X$  consist of all  $H$ 's right cosets, and the partition of  $G$  induced by these cosets  $G = \bigoplus_i^m Hg_i$ , we have an action of  $G$  on  $X$  and a permutation representation signified by  $G(/H)$  correspondingly [4].

**Definition 2.2** *If  $G_i$  and  $G_j$  be any subgroups of  $G$ , a subduced representation is known as a subgroup of the coset representation  $G(/G_i)$  that contains only the elements associated with the elements of  $G_j$  denoted by  $G(/G_i) \downarrow G_j$ .*

**Definition 2.3** *The table of marks of a arbitrary finite group  $G$  is a square matrix:  $M(G) = (m_{ik})_{1 \leq i, k \leq r}$ , where  $m_{ik}$  is the number of right cosets of  $G_k$  in  $G$  which are remained fixed under right multiplication by the elements of  $G_i$  see [4].*

**Definition 2.4** *Let  $M$  is a normal subgroup and  $N$  is another subgroup of  $G$  such that  $M \cap N = e$  with  $G = MN = < M, N >$ , then  $G$  is called the semi direct product of  $N$  by  $M$  denoted by  $N : M$ . As well, if  $K$  and  $H$  be groups as  $H$  acts on the set  $\Gamma$ , then the wreath product of  $K$  by  $H$ , denoted by  $KwrH$  is identified with  $K^\Gamma : H$  such that  $K^\Gamma = \{f|f : \Gamma \rightarrow K\}$  see [4].*

**Theorem 2.1** (i) *The direct product of the matured groups again is a matured group, but the direct product of at least one unmatured group is an unmatured group.*

(ii) The semi direct product of the matured groups again is a matured group, but the semi direct product of at least one unmatured group is an unmatured group.

(iii) The wreath product of the matured groups again is a matured group, but the wreath product of at least one unmatured group is an unmatured group.

**Definition 2.5** Let  $C_{u \times u}$  be a matrix of the character table for an arbitrary finite group. Then,  $C$  is transformed into a more concise form called the  $Q$ -conjugacy character table that we denote its  $s \times s$  matrix by  $C_G^Q$  containing integer-valued characters where  $(s \leq u)$ .

Suppose that  $H$  be a cyclic subgroup of order  $n$  of a finite group  $G$ . Then the maturity discriminant of  $H$ , denoted by  $m(H)$ , is an integer number delineated by  $|N_G(H) : C_G(H)|$ . In addition, the dominant class of  $K \cap H$  in the normalizer  $|N_G(H)|$  is the union of  $t = \frac{\varphi(n)}{m(H)}$  conjugacy classes of  $G$  where  $\varphi$  is Euler function, i.e. the maturity of  $G$  is clearly defined by examining how a dominant class corresponding to  $H$  contains conjugacy classes. If  $t = \frac{\varphi(n)}{m(H)} = 1$ , the group  $G$  should be matured but if  $m(H) \leq \varphi(n)$  or  $t > 2$ , the group  $G$  is an unmatured concerning subgroup  $H$ .

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