

SOME REMARKS ON THE CHARACTERS OF THE SYMMETRIC GROUP, II

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Introduction. Let p be a fixed prime number. We denote by $k(n)$ the number of partitions of n . As is well known, the number of ordinary irreducible characters of the symmetric group S_n is $k(n)$. We set $k(0) = 1$ and

$$(1) \quad l(b) = \sum_{b_0, \dots, b_{p-1}} k(b_0) k(b_1) \dots k(b_{p-1}) \quad \left(\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} b_i = b, 0 \leq b_i \leq b \right),$$

$$(2) \quad l^*(b) = \sum_{b_1, \dots, b_{p-1}} k(b_1) k(b_2) \dots k(b_{p-1}) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^{p-1} b_i = b, 0 \leq b_i \leq b \right).$$

Two ordinary irreducible representations of S_n belong to the same p -block if and only if they have the same p -core **(10; 2; 11)**. The number of ordinary irreducible characters belonging to a p -block of weight b is independent of the p -core and is equal to $l(b)$ **(16; 12; also 11; 15)**. This may be also easily proved by applying the theory of p -quotients **(6; 4)**. Moreover we have the following theorem **(13; also 4a; 8; 15; 16)**.

THEOREM 1. *The number of modular irreducible characters belonging to a p -block of weight b is $l^*(b)$.*

In the present paper we shall give a simple proof for this theorem. We shall then derive some new properties of decomposition numbers of S_n .

1. We denote by χ_α the character of the irreducible representation $[\alpha]$ corresponding to a Young diagram $[\alpha]$. We set $r(\alpha, \alpha') = (-1)^s$ if a diagram $[\alpha']$ of S_{n-g} is obtained from $[\alpha]$ by removing a g -hook of leg length s . Otherwise we set $r(\alpha, \alpha') = 0$. Then the Murnaghan-Nakayama recursion formula **(7; 9)** is expressed as follows:

If G is an element of S_n containing a g -cycle P and \bar{G} is the permutation of $n - g$ symbols arising from G by removing this cycle, then

$$(3) \quad \chi_\alpha(G) = \sum_{\alpha'} r(\alpha, \alpha') \chi_{\alpha'}(\bar{G}),$$

where $[\alpha']$ ranges over all diagrams of S_{n-g} .

If $[\alpha]$ is a diagram with p -core $[\alpha_0]$ then the summation in (3) may be limited to those $[\alpha']$ with the same p -core $[\alpha_0]$.

We set $n = n' + tp$ ($0 \leq n' < p$) and consider an element G of S_n such that

$$G = W \cdot Q_1 \cdot Q_2 \dots Q_s,$$

where no two of Q_i have common symbols and each Q_i is a cycle of length

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$a_i \not\leq (a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_s)$ and where W is any permutation on the fixed symbols of $P = Q_1 \cdot Q_2 \dots Q_s$. We set

$$a = \sum_i a_i \quad (0 \leq a \leq t).$$

Then P is called an element of *type* (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_s) and of *weight* a . The number of elements of weight a such that they all lie in different conjugate classes of S_n is $k(a)$. If we set

$$(4) \quad \sum_{a=0}^t k(a) = r,$$

then we have a system of elements of weight a ($a = 0, 1, 2, \dots, t$)

$$P_0 = 1, P_1, \dots, P_{t-1},$$

such that they all lie in different conjugate classes of S_n and every element of weight a ($0 \leq a \leq t$) is conjugate to one of them. Every conjugate class contains an element of the form VP_i , where i is uniquely determined by the class and where V is a p -regular element of S_{n-ap} , if P_i is of weight a . Since the number $k^*(n)$ of modular irreducible representations of S_n is equal to the number of p -regular classes of S_n , we have

$$(5) \quad k(n) = \sum_{a=0}^t k^*(n - ap) k(a).$$

Let P_i be an element of type (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_s) and of weight a . Let $[\alpha_0]$ be a p -core with m nodes and $n = m + bp$. Then the number of diagrams of S_{m+jp} with p -core $[\alpha_0]$ is $l(j)$. We denote by $\chi_\beta^{(a)}$ the character of the irreducible representation $[\beta]$ of S_{n-ap} corresponding to a diagram $[\beta]$. Let us denote by B the block of S_n with p -core $[\alpha_0]$. Applying the Murnaghan-Nakayama recursion formula iterated s times to $[\alpha] \subset B$, we obtain

$$(6) \quad \chi_\alpha(VP_i) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\beta} h(\alpha, \beta) \chi_\beta^{(a)}(V), & [\beta] \subset B^{(a)} \quad (\text{for } a \leq b), \\ 0 & (\text{for } b < a), \end{cases}$$

where the $h(\alpha, \beta)$ are rational integers and $B^{(a)}$ denotes the block of S_{n-ap} with p -core $[\alpha_0]$. If $a \leq b$ then $B^{(a)}$ is of weight $b - a$. Let $\phi_\lambda^{(a)}$ be the character of S_{n-ap} in the modular irreducible representation λ . We then have

$$(7) \quad \chi_\beta^{(a)}(V) = \sum_\lambda d_{\beta\lambda}^{(a)} \phi_\lambda^{(a)}(V) \quad (V \text{ in } S_{n-ap}, p\text{-regular}),$$

where the $d_{\beta\lambda}^{(a)}$ are the decomposition numbers **(1)** of S_{n-ap} . Hence (6), combined with (7), yields

$$(8) \quad \chi_\alpha(VP_i) = \sum_\lambda u_{\alpha\lambda} \phi_\lambda^{(a)}(V),$$

where the $u_{\alpha\lambda}$ are rational integers. If $b < a$ then $u_{\alpha\lambda} = 0$ for every λ , and if $a \leq b$ then $u_{\alpha\lambda} = 0$ for $\lambda \not\subset B^{(a)}$. Let $D = (d_{\alpha\lambda})$ be the decomposition matrix of S_n . Then

$$(9) \quad \chi_\alpha(V) = \sum_\lambda d_{\alpha\lambda} \phi_\lambda(V) \quad (V \text{ in } S_n, p\text{-regular}).$$

Hence, for $P_0 = 1$, we have

$$(10) \quad u_{\alpha\lambda}^0 = d_{\alpha\lambda}.$$

We arrange these numbers $u_{\alpha\lambda}^i$ for a fixed i in the form of a matrix

$$(11) \quad U^i = (u_{\alpha\lambda}^i),$$

with α as row index and λ as column index, and set

$$(12) \quad U = (U^0, U^1, \dots, U^{r-1}).$$

Each column of U is given by a pair (i, λ) . It follows from (5) that the number of such columns is $k(n)$ (note that the number of elements P_i of weight a is $k(a)$), whence U is a square matrix of the same degree as the matrix $Z = (\chi_\alpha(G))$ of the group characters χ_α of S_n . According to (8) we have the formula

$$(13) \quad Z = UA.$$

Here A is a square matrix such that

$$(14) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi^{(0)} & & & 0 \\ & \Phi^{(1)} & & \\ & & \cdot & \\ & & & \cdot \\ 0 & & & & \Phi^{(r)} \end{bmatrix},$$

where, for each a , the matrix $\Phi^{(a)} = (\phi_\lambda^{(a)}(V))$ of the modular group characters of S_{n-ap} appears in the main diagonal with multiplicity $k(a)$ if the rows and columns are arranged suitably. Since Z is non-singular, so is U :

$$(15) \quad |U| \neq 0.$$

Proof of Theorem 1. It follows from (8) that, if the rows and columns of U are taken in a suitable order, U breaks up completely into q matrices U_1, U_2, \dots, U_q , each U_k corresponding to a block B_k of S_n . Denote by x_k the number of ordinary irreducible characters in B_k . It follows from $|U| \neq 0$ that each U -matrix U_k of B_k must necessarily be a square matrix of degree x_k and $|U_k| \neq 0$. Let B_k be a block of weight b with p -core $[\alpha_0]$. We then have $x_k = l(b)$. Denote by $f(a)$ the number of modular irreducible characters in a block of weight a with p -core $[\alpha_0]$. Since U_k is a square matrix of degree $l(b)$ we have by (8)

$$(16) \quad l(b) = \sum_{a=0}^b f(a) k(b-a).$$

Since $l^*(0) = f(0) = 1$ and $l^*(1) = f(1) = p - 1$, we shall assume that $l^*(a) = f(a)$ for $a < b$. We then have by (12; Lemma 1)

$$\begin{aligned} f(b) &= l(b) - \sum_{a=0}^{b-1} f(a) k(b-a) \\ &= l(b) - \sum_{a=0}^{b-1} l^*(a) k(b-a) = l^*(b). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

2. In what follows we shall be concerned with representations belonging to a fixed block B_k of weight b , so we may drop the subscript k . Applying (8) to the orthogonality relations

$$\sum_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha}(VP_i) \chi_{\alpha}(V'P_j) = 0 \quad (i \neq j),$$

we obtain

$$(17) \quad \sum_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha}(VP_i) \chi_{\alpha}(V'P_j) = 0 \quad [\alpha] \subset B, \quad (i \neq j),$$

whence

$$(18) \quad \sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha\lambda}{}^i \chi_{\alpha}(V'P_j) = 0 \quad [\alpha] \subset B, \quad (i \neq j).$$

We then have

$$(19) \quad \sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha\lambda}{}^i u_{\alpha\kappa}{}^j = 0 \quad [\alpha] \subset B, \quad (i \neq j).$$

For $P_j = P_0 = 1$, it follows from (18) that

$$(20) \quad \sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha\lambda}{}^i \chi_{\alpha}(V) = 0 \quad [\alpha] \subset B, \quad (i \neq 0),$$

where V is any p -regular element of S_n . Hence

$$(21) \quad \sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha\lambda}{}^i d_{\alpha\kappa} = 0 \quad [\alpha] \subset B, \quad (i \neq 0).$$

Since the U -matrix U_k of B is non-singular the identities (21) are linearly independent. Moreover the number of identities (21) is $l(b) - l^*(b)$ and hence the system of linearly independent identities (21) satisfied by the rows of the decomposition matrix D_k of B is complete.

We shall denote by $n(G)$ the order of the normalizer $N(G)$ of G in S_n . Applying (8) to the orthogonality relations

$$\sum_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha}(VP_i) \chi_{\alpha}(VP_i) = n(VP_i),$$

we have

$$\sum_{\lambda} \left(\sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha\lambda}{}^i \chi_{\alpha}(VP_i) \right) \phi_{\lambda}^{(a)}(V) = n(VP_i).$$

Let $\eta_{\lambda}^{(a)}$ be the character of the indecomposable constituent of the regular representation of S_{n-ap} which corresponds to $\phi_{\lambda}^{(a)}$. Then we have the character relation

$$\sum_{\lambda} \eta_{\lambda}^{(a)}(V) \phi_{\lambda}^{(a)}(V) = n^{(a)}(V),$$

where $n^{(a)}(V)$ denotes the order of the normalizer of V in S_{n-ap} . Hence

$$(22) \quad \sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha\lambda}{}^i \chi_{\alpha}(VP_i) = \frac{n(VP_i)}{n^{(a)}(V)} \eta_{\lambda}^{(a)}(V), \quad [\alpha] \subset B.$$

If P_i is an element of weight a with $n - ap$ 1-cycles, k_1 p -cycles, k_2 $2p$ -cycles, \dots , k_m mp -cycles, then (22) yields

$$(23) \quad \sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha\lambda}^i u_{\alpha\kappa}^i = \frac{n(VP_i)}{n^{(a)}(V)} c_{\lambda\kappa}^{(a)} = c_{\lambda\kappa}^{(a)} \prod_i (k_i!(ip)^{k_i}), \quad [\alpha] \subset B,$$

where the $c_{\lambda\kappa}^{(a)}$ denote the Cartan invariants of S_{n-ap} .

3. Let $[\alpha]$ with p -core $[\alpha_0]$ belong to a block B of weight b and let $[\alpha]^*$ be its star diagram (14; also 4; 11; 17). We shall write

$$[\alpha]^* = [\nu_0] \cdot [\nu_1] \cdot \dots \cdot [\nu_{p-1}],$$

where the $[\nu_r]$ are the disjoint right constituents of $[\alpha]^*$. We assume that $[\nu_r]$ contains b_r nodes, where

$$(24) \quad b = b_0 + b_1 + \dots + b_{p-1},$$

and r is the leg length of the p -hook represented by its upper left-hand corner node. We denote by χ_{α^*} the character of (reducible) representation $[\alpha]^*$ of S_b corresponding to the star diagram $[\alpha]^*$ and by f_{α^*} its degree. Then

$$(25) \quad f_{\alpha^*} = \frac{b!}{b_0! b_1! \dots b_{p-1}!} f_{\nu_0} f_{\nu_1} \dots f_{\nu_{p-1}},$$

where f_{ν_r} denotes the degree of the ordinary irreducible representation $[\nu_r]$ of S_{b_r} (14).

If P_b represents the product of b cycles, each of length p , on the last bp of n symbols, then P_b is of weight b and of type $(1, 1, \dots, 1)$. Denote by $N(P_b)$ the normalizer of P_b in S_n . We then have $N(P_b) = \mathfrak{G}_1 \times \mathfrak{G}_2$, where \mathfrak{G}_1 is the subgroup of S_n which permutes only the first $n - bp$ symbols and which may be identified with S_{n-bp} . On the other hand

$$(26) \quad \mathfrak{G}_2 = S_b^* \mathfrak{Q}, \quad S_b^* \cap \mathfrak{Q} = 1,$$

where \mathfrak{Q} is the subgroup generated by the b individual cycles of length p of P_b and is the normal subgroup of \mathfrak{G}_2 , and S_b^* is the subgroup of permutations which permute the cycles of P_b amongst themselves. We see that S_b^* is isomorphic to the symmetric group S_b of b symbols. We denote by W the element of S_b which corresponds to W^* of S_b^* . The transitive subgroup \mathfrak{G}_2 of S_n is called the *generalized symmetric group* and is denoted by $S(b, p)$. The order of $S(b, p)$ is $b!p^b$. It may be verified that there are $l(b)$ conjugate classes of $S(b, p)$. For example we shall determine the conjugate classes of $S(2, 3)$. We set

$$Q_1 = (1\ 2\ 3), \quad Q_2 = (4\ 5\ 6).$$

Then there exist two conjugate classes which are represented by

$$W_0^* = 1, \quad W_1^* = (1\ 4)(2\ 5)(3\ 6).$$

A complete system of representatives for the conjugate classes of $S(2, 3)$ is given by

$$W_0^*, W_1^*, Q_1, Q_1^2, Q_1Q_2, Q_1Q_2^2, Q_1^2Q_2^2, W_1^*Q_1, W_1^*Q_1^2.$$

Each element is associated with a star diagram with 2 nodes by the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} W_0^* &= 1 && [1^2] \cdot [0] \cdot [0] \\ W_1^* &= (1\ 4)(2\ 5)(3\ 6) && [2] \cdot [0] \cdot [0] \\ Q_1Q_2 &= (1\ 2\ 3)(4\ 5\ 6) && [0] \cdot [1^2] \cdot [0] \\ W_1^*Q_1 &= (1\ 4\ 2\ 5\ 3\ 6) && [0] \cdot [2] \cdot [0] \\ Q_1^2Q_2^2 &= (1\ 3\ 2)(4\ 6\ 5) && [0] \cdot [0] \cdot [1^2] \\ W_1^*Q_1^2 &= (1\ 4\ 3\ 6\ 2\ 5) && [0] \cdot [0] \cdot [2] \\ Q_1 &= (1\ 2\ 3) && [1] \cdot [1] \cdot [0] \\ Q_1^2 &= (1\ 3\ 2) && [1] \cdot [0] \cdot [1] \\ Q_1Q_2^2 &= (1\ 2\ 3)(4\ 6\ 5) && [0] \cdot [1] \cdot [1]. \end{aligned}$$

By the same way each conjugate class of $S(b, p)$ is uniquely associated with a star diagram with b nodes. Every conjugate class of $S(b, p)$ associated with $[\alpha]^*$ such that $[v_0] = [0]$ contains the elements of weight b . But the converse is not valid generally.

THEOREM 2. *The number of ordinary irreducible representations of $S(b, p)$ is $l(b)$ and there is a (1-1) correspondence between ordinary irreducible representations of $S(b, p)$ and star diagrams $[\alpha]^*$ containing b nodes.*

This, together with related theorems, will be proved in a forthcoming paper **(13a)**.

We denote by ζ_{α^*} the ordinary irreducible characters of $S(b, p)$ corresponding to a star diagram $[\alpha]^*$. Let VP be an element of S_n such that P is an element of type (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_s) and of weight b ($b = \sum a_i$) and V is any permutation on the fixed symbols of P , and let W be an element of S_b with a_1 -cycle, a_2 -cycle, \dots , a_s -cycle. We have by (6)

$$(27) \quad \chi_{\alpha}(VP) = h(\alpha, \alpha_0) \chi_{\alpha_0}(V).$$

Since $h(\alpha, \alpha_0)$ is determined by (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_s) , we may set $h(\alpha, \alpha_0) = u(W)$. We then have by Thrall and Robinson **(18; 14; also cf. 6)**

$$(28) \quad u(W) = \sigma_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha^*}(W),$$

where $\sigma_{\alpha} = \pm 1$ is the product of the parities of the b hooks of length p of $[\alpha]$. On the other hand we can prove that

$$(29) \quad \chi_{\alpha^*}(W) = \zeta_{\alpha^*}(W^*), \quad W^* \in S_b^*.$$

Thus we may denote without confusion by $\chi_{\alpha^*}(G^*)$, $G^* \in S(b, p)$, the character of the ordinary irreducible representation of $S(b, p)$ corresponding to $[\alpha]^*$.

Let W_i ($i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k(b) - 1$) be a complete system of representatives for conjugate classes of S_b . If we denote by $n^*(W_i^*)$ the order of the normalizer $N^*(W_i^*)$ of W_i^* in $S(b, p)$ then it follows from (19) and (23) that

$$\sum_{\alpha^*} \chi_{\alpha^*}(W_i^*) \chi_{\alpha^*}(W_j^*) = \delta_{ij} n^*(W_i^*).$$

Evidently these relations are the orthogonality relations for the characters of $S(b, p)$.

4. Let V be any p -regular element of S_n and let W^* be any element of S_b^* . We have by (20)

$$(30) \quad \sum_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha^*}(W^*) \chi_{\alpha}(V) = 0, \quad [\alpha] \subset B.$$

It was shown in (2) that $S(b, p)$ possesses only one p -block. If we denote by

$$D^* = (d_{\alpha\lambda}^*)$$

the decomposition matrix of $S(b, p)$, then (30) yields:

$$(31) \quad \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha} d_{\alpha\kappa} \chi_{\alpha^*}(W^*) = 0, \quad [\alpha] \subset B,$$

$$(32) \quad \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha} d_{\alpha\lambda}^* \chi_{\alpha}(V) = 0, \quad [\alpha] \subset B,$$

and hence

$$(33) \quad \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha} d_{\alpha\kappa} d_{\alpha\lambda}^* = 0, \quad [\alpha] \subset B.$$

Moreover we have the following

THEOREM 3. *Let B be a p -block of weight b and let $G = VP$ be an element of S_n such that P is any element of weight a different from b and V is any p -regular permutation on the fixed symbols of P . Then for any element $W^* \in S_b^*$,*

$$\sum_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha}(G) \chi_{\alpha^*}(W^*) = 0, \quad [\alpha] \subset B.$$

This follows immediately from (19).

We obtain the generalization of the Murnaghan-Nakayama recursion formula for the character χ_{α^*} of $S(b, p)$ and this yields

THEOREM 4. *Let B be a p -block of weight b and let S be any element of $S(b, p)$ associated with a star diagram $[\beta]^* = [\lambda_0] \cdot [\lambda_1] \cdot \dots \cdot [\lambda_{p-1}]$ such that $[\lambda_0] \neq [0]$. Then*

$$\sum_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha}(V) \chi_{\alpha^*}(S) = 0 \quad (V \text{ in } S_n, p\text{-regular}).$$

Let R be any element of $S(b, p)$ associated with a star diagram $[\beta]^*$ such that $[\lambda_0] = [0]$. The number of conjugate classes of $S(b, p)$ which contain the element R defined above is $l^*(b)$. We denote by $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_{l^*(b)}$ the representatives for these classes.

THEOREM 5. Let $D = (d_{\alpha\lambda})$ be the decomposition matrix of a p -block B of weight b . Then

$$d_{\alpha\lambda} = \sigma_\alpha \sum_{\kappa=1}^{i^*(b)} v_{\kappa\lambda} \chi_{\alpha^*}(R_\kappa), \quad \text{for } [\alpha] \subset B,$$

where the $v_{\kappa\lambda}$ are complex numbers and are independent of α .

COROLLARY. Let $D = (d_{\alpha\lambda})$ and $D' = (d'_{\alpha'\lambda})$ with $[\alpha]^* = [\alpha']^*$ be the decomposition matrices of p -blocks B and B' of same weight respectively. Then

$$d'_{\alpha'\nu} = \sigma_\alpha \sigma_{\alpha'} \sum_{\lambda=1}^{i^*(b)} w_{\nu\lambda} d_{\alpha\lambda}, \quad \text{for } [\alpha'] \subset B',$$

where the $w_{\nu\lambda}$ are rational integers and $|w_{\nu\lambda}| = \pm 1$.

Consequently we have

THEOREM 6. Two matrices of Cartan invariants corresponding to the p -blocks of same weight have the same elementary divisors.

Example. The following is the U -matrix for the 2-block B of S_6 with 2-core $[0]$.

$$\begin{matrix} [6] \\ [5, 1] \\ [4, 2] \\ [4, 1^2] \\ [3^2] \\ [2^3] \\ [3, 1^3] \\ [2^2, 1^2] \\ [2, 1^4] \\ [1^6] \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix occupying the first three columns of this U -matrix is the decomposition matrix of B and the matrix occupying the last three columns is the matrix $(\sigma_\alpha \chi_{\alpha^*}(W_i^*))$ of $S(3, 2)$. We set

$$Q_1 = (1\ 2), \quad Q_2 = (3\ 4), \quad Q_3 = (5\ 6), \quad P = (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(5\ 6).$$

Then

$$W_0^* = 1, \quad W_1^* = (1\ 3)(2\ 4), \quad W_2^* = (1\ 3\ 5)(2\ 4\ 6),$$

$$Q_1, \quad W_1^*Q_3, \quad Q_1Q_2, \quad W_1^*Q_1, \quad P, \quad W_1^*Q_1Q_3, \quad W_2^*Q_1$$

form a complete system of representatives for conjugate classes of $S(3, 2)$. We then obtain easily Table I, showing the group characters χ_{α^*} of $S(3, 2)$ (cf. 5, p. 275).

TABLE I

class	$[1^3] \cdot [0]$	$[2,1] \cdot [0]$	$[3] \cdot [0]$	$[1^2] \cdot [1]$	$[2] \cdot [1]$	$[1] \cdot [1^2]$	$[1] \cdot [2]$	$[0] \cdot [1^3]$	$[0] \cdot [2, 1]$	$[0] \cdot [3]$
element	1	(13)(24)	(135)(246)	(12)	(13)(24)(56)	(12)(34)	(1324)	(12)(34)(56)	(1324)(56)	(135246)
order	1	6	8	3	6	3	6	1	6	8
$[3] \cdot [0]$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$[0] \cdot [3]$	1	1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	-1
$[2] \cdot [1]$	3	1	0	1	-1	-1	1	-3	-1	0
$[2,1] \cdot [0]$	2	0	-1	2	0	2	0	2	0	-1
$[1] \cdot [2]$	3	1	0	-1	1	-1	-1	3	-1	0
$[1^2] \cdot [1]$	3	-1	0	1	1	-1	-1	-3	1	0
$[0] \cdot [2,1]$	2	0	-1	-2	0	2	0	-2	0	1
$[1] \cdot [1^2]$	3	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	1	3	1	0
$[1^3] \cdot [0]$	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1
$[0] \cdot [1^3]$	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1

The decomposition matrix D^* and the matrix C^* of Cartan invariants of $S(3, 2)$ are given by

$$D^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C^* = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The following are the D -matrices $(d_{\alpha\lambda})$ and $(d'_{\alpha'\lambda})$ for the 2-block of S_6 with 2-core $[0]$ and the 2-block of S_7 with 2-core $[1]$ respectively:

$$\begin{array}{l} [6] \\ [5, 1] \\ [4, 2] \\ [4, 1^2] \\ [3^2] \\ [2^3] \\ [3, 1^3] \\ [2^2, 1^2] \\ [2, 1^4] \\ [1^6] \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} [7] \\ [4, 2, 1] \\ [5, 1^2] \\ [5, 2] \\ [3^2, 1] \\ [3, 2^2] \\ [2^2, 1^3] \\ [3, 1^4] \\ [3, 2, 1^2] \\ [1^7] \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We see from the table of the group characters χ_{α^*} of $S(3, 2)$ that

$$(d_{\alpha\lambda}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{4}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

There exists the following relation between $(d'_{\alpha'\lambda})$ and $(\sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha'} d_{\alpha\lambda})$:

$$(d'_{\alpha'\lambda}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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