

Representation Theory of Groups - Blatt 3

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Question 1. Let $G = S_3$ be the permutation group on the set $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and let $\rho : G \rightarrow GL(\mathbb{C}X)$ be the corresponding permutation representation. Use Maschke's theorem to find the projection onto the vector subspace $U := \text{span}(\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3)$, and construct the G -stable complement of U inside $\mathbb{C}X$. What is the corresponding projection onto this complement?

Question 2. Let $G = C_3 = \langle g \mid g^3 = 1 \rangle$ be the cyclic group of order 3. Let V be the 2 dimensional vector space on the letters v_1 and v_2 . Let G act on V by extending the following formulae linearly:

$$\rho(g)(v_1) = v_2, \rho(g)(v_2) = -(v_1 + v_2).$$

- Show that ρ defines a representation of G on V ;
- Express V as a sum of G -stable irreducible subspaces.

Question 3. Let G be a finite group and let $\rho : G \rightarrow GL(2, \mathbb{C})$ be a representation of degree 2. Prove that if there exists elements $g, h \in G$ such that $\rho(g)$ and $\rho(h)$ do not commute, then ρ is irreducible.