

On the restriction of the irreducible characters of $GL(n, q)$ to $GL(n-1, q) \times GL(1, q)$

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§1. This paper is an attempt to extend the results of E. Thoma [3] on the restrictions of the irreducible characters of $GL(n, q)$ to $GL(n-1, q)$. We shall regard $H = GL(n-1, q) \times GL(1, q)$ for $n \geq 2$ as a subgroup of $GL(n, q)$ in the following sense: H consists of all matrices of the form $\text{diag. } \{A, a\}$ where $A \in GL(n-1, q)$ and $a \in GL(1, q)$.

Let $\chi: GL(n, q) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a complex valued function on $GL(n, q)$. Then we denote by χ_0 the restriction of χ to H . Let χ^1, \dots, χ^k be all the irreducible characters of $GL(n, q)$ and ϕ^1, \dots, ϕ^l all the irreducible characters of H . Then χ_0^i are characters of H , so we can write $\chi_0^i = \sum_{j=1}^l a_{ij} \phi^j$ ($a_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}$). Our problem is the determination of these integers a_{ij} .

§2. Let F be the set of monic irreducible polynomials $f=f(t)$ over $GF(q)$, excepting the polynomial $f(t)=t$. Write $d(f)$ for the degree of $f \in F$. For the most part we adhere to the notations and definitions of the paper of Green [1].

For any conjugacy class $c=c_1c_2$ of H , where c_1 is a conjugacy class of $GL(n-1, q)$ and c_2 is a conjugacy class of $GL(1, q)$, we denote by $\bar{c}=(\dots, f^{\nu_{\bar{c}}(f)}, \dots)$ with $\nu_{\bar{c}}(f) = \nu_{c_1}(f) + \nu_{c_2}(f)$ for all $f \in F$, the conjugacy class of $GL(n, q)$. Let ρ, σ_1, σ_2 be partitions of $n, n-1, 1$ respectively, and let $U^\rho, V^{\sigma_1}, W^{\sigma_2}$ be basic uniform functions of $GL(n, q), GL(n-1, q), GL(1, q)$ respectively. Clearly $U_0^\rho(c) = U^\rho(\bar{c})$.

We now consider the scalar product $(U_0^\rho, V^{\sigma_1}W^{\sigma_2})$. By the degeneracy rule, it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (U_0^\rho, V^{\sigma_1}W^{\sigma_2}) &= \sum_{c: \text{class of } H} \frac{1}{a(c)} \sum_{m, m_2} Q(m, \bar{c}) Q(m_1, c_1) Q(m_2, c_2) U_\rho(x^\rho m) \\
 &\quad \times \overline{V_{\sigma_1}(x^{\sigma_1} m_1) W_{\sigma_2}(x^{\sigma_2} m_2)} \\
 (2.1) \qquad &= \sum_{m, m_2} \sum_{c_2} \frac{1}{a(c_1)a(c_2)} Q(m, \bar{c}) Q(m_1, c_1) Q(m_2, c_2) U_\rho(x^\rho m) \\
 &\quad \times \overline{V_{\sigma_1}(x^{\sigma_1} m_1) W_{\sigma_2}(x^{\sigma_2} m_2)},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the first summation is over all tuples (m, m_2) of modes of substitutions of

X^ρ into \bar{c} and of X^{σ_i} into c_i with

$$(1) \quad |\rho(m, f)| = |\sigma_1(m_1, f)| + |\sigma_2(m_2, f)| \quad \text{for all } f \in F$$

and the last summation is over all classes c_1 of $GL(n-1, q)$ and c_2 of $GL(1, q)$ with

$$(2) \quad |\nu_{c_i}(f)| = |\sigma_i(m_i, f)| \quad \text{for all } f \in F, i=1, 2.$$

Clearly $a(c) = a(c_1)a(c_2)$, $a(c_2) = q-1$, $Q(m_2, c_2) = 1$ and $W^{\sigma_2} = W_{\sigma_2}$. Hence we can write the expression (2.1) in the form

$$(2.2) \quad (U_0^\rho, V^{\sigma_1}W^{\sigma_2}) = \frac{1}{q-1} \sum_{m, m_i \text{ with (1)}} \sum_{c_i \text{ with (2)}} \frac{1}{a(c_1)} Q(m, \bar{c}) Q(m_1, c_1) U_\rho(x^\rho m) \\ \times \overline{V_{\sigma_1}(x^{\sigma_1}m_1) W_{\sigma_2}(x^{\sigma_2}m_2)}.$$

For each tuple (m, m_i) satisfying (1), we put

$$B(m, m_i) = \sum_{c_1 \text{ with (2)}} \frac{1}{a(c_1)} Q(m, \bar{c}) Q(m_1, c_1).$$

Then we have

$$B(m, m_i) = \sum_{c_1} \prod_{f \in F} a_{\nu_{c_1}(f)} (q^{d(f)})^{-1} z_{\rho(m, f)}^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)}^{-1} Q_{\rho(m, f)}^{\nu_{c_1}(f)} (q^{d(f)}) Q_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)}^{\nu_{c_1}(f)} (q^{d(f)}) \\ = \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})|}} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} z_{\rho(m, f_{c_2})}^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})}^{-1} Q_{\rho(m, f_{c_2})}^{\tilde{\lambda}}(q) Q_{\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})}^{\tilde{\lambda}}(q) \\ \times \prod_{\substack{f \in F^{c_2} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma_1(m_1, f)|}} \sum_{\lambda \text{ with}} a_\lambda(q^{d(f)})^{-1} z_{\rho(m, f)}^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)}^{-1} Q_{\rho(m, f)}^{\lambda}(q^{d(f)}) Q_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)}^{\lambda}(q^{d(f)})$$

where $f_{c_2} = t - c_2 \in F$ since $c_2 \in GL(1, q) = GF(q)^\times$, $F^{c_2} = F - \{f_{c_2}\}$ and $\tilde{\lambda} = \{1^{l_1+1}2^{l_2} \dots\}$ is a partition of $|\lambda|+1$ if $\lambda = \{1^{l_1}2^{l_2} \dots\}$. Moreover we have, by the orthogonality relations for Q_ρ^λ ,

$$B(m, m_i) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})|}} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} z_{\rho(m, f_{c_2})}^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})}^{-1} Q_{\rho(m, f_{c_2})}^{\tilde{\lambda}}(q) Q_{\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})}^{\tilde{\lambda}}(q) \\ \times \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} c_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)} (q^{d(f)})^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)}^{-1} & \text{if } \rho(m, f) = \sigma_1(m_1, f) \text{ for all } f \in F^{c_2}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \rho(m, f) \neq \sigma_1(m_1, f) \text{ for some } f \in F^{c_2}. \end{cases}$$

Hence we can write the expression (2.2) in the form

$$(2.3) \quad (U_0^\rho, V^{\sigma_1}W^{\sigma_2}) = \frac{1}{q-1} \sum_{c_2} \sum_{m, m_1} \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} c_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)} (q^{d(f)})^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(m_1, f)}^{-1} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})|}} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} \\ \times z_{\rho(m, f_{c_2})}^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})}^{-1} Q_{\rho(m, f_{c_2})}^{\tilde{\lambda}}(q) Q_{\sigma_1(m_1, f_{c_2})}^{\tilde{\lambda}}(q) U_\rho(x^\rho m) \overline{V_{\sigma_1}(x^{\sigma_1}m_1) W_{\sigma_2}(x^{\sigma_2}m_2)}$$

where the second summation is over all modes m, m_1 with $\rho(m, f) = \sigma_1(m_1, f)$ for all $f \in F^{c_2}$. We remark that the condition (1) for tuples (m, m_i) of the expression (2.2) holds naturally.

If $\tau = \{1^{l_1}2^{l_2} \dots\}$, $\lambda = \{1^{l_1}2^{l_2} \dots\}$ are partitions, let $\tau + \lambda$ denote the partition

$\{1^{t_1+1}2^{t_2+1}2 \dots\}$. Moreover if $t_i \leq l_i$ for $i=1, 2, \dots$, then we write $\tau \leq \lambda$.

LEMMA (Thoma [3]). Suppose $\tau \leq \rho, \sigma$. We define the partitions $\rho(\tau), \sigma(\tau)$ by $\tau + \rho(\tau) = \rho, \tau + \sigma(\tau) = \sigma$. Let $X^\rho = X^\tau \cup X^{\rho(\tau)}, X^\sigma = X^\tau \cup X^{\sigma(\tau)}$. For the mode $m_{c_2}: X^\tau \rightarrow F^{c_2}$, we assume that modes $m: X^\rho \rightarrow F, m_1: X^\sigma \rightarrow F$ satisfy $m|_{X^\tau} = m_1|_{X^\tau} = m_{c_2}$ and $m(X^{\rho(\tau)}) = m_1(X^{\sigma(\tau)}) = f_{c_2}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(m, f) &= \sigma(m_1, f) = \tau(m_{c_2}, f) \quad \text{for all } f \in F^{c_2}, \\ \rho(m, f_{c_2}) &= \rho(\tau) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(m_1, f_{c_2}) = \sigma(\tau). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, for any pair (m, m_1) with $\sigma(m_1, f) = \rho(m, f)$ for all $f \in F^{c_2}$, there exist partitions $\tau, \rho(\tau), \sigma(\tau)$, a mode $m_{c_2}: X^\tau \rightarrow F^{c_2}$ such that $\rho(m, f) = \sigma(m_1, f) = \tau(m_{c_2}, f)$ for all $f \in F^{c_2}$, $\rho(m, f_{c_2}) = \rho(\tau)$ and $\sigma(m_1, f_{c_2}) = \sigma(\tau)$.

Using this lemma, we can write the expression (2.3) in the form

$$\begin{aligned} (2.4) \quad (U_0^\rho, V^{\sigma_1} W^{\sigma_2}) &= \frac{1}{q-1} \sum_{c_2} \sum_{\substack{\tau \text{ with} \\ \tau \leq \rho, \sigma_1}} \sum_{m_{c_2}} z_{\rho(\tau)}^{-1} z_{\sigma_1(\tau)}^{-1} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma_1(\tau)|}} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_{\rho(\tau)}^\lambda(q) Q_{\sigma_1(\tau)}^\lambda(q) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} z_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)}^{-1} c_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)}(q^{d(f)})^{-1} U_\rho(x^\rho m) \overline{V_{\sigma_1}(x^{\sigma_1} m_1)} \overline{W_{\sigma_2}(x^{\sigma_2} \alpha_{c_2})} \end{aligned}$$

where m is the mode $X^\rho \rightarrow F$ with $m|_{X^\tau} = m_{c_2}$, $m(X^{\rho(\tau)}) = f_{c_2}$, and m_1 is the mode $X^{\sigma_1} \rightarrow F$ with $m_1|_{X^\tau} = m_{c_2}$, $m_1(X^{\sigma_1(\tau)}) = f_{c_2}$.

Since $a_\lambda(q), Q_\alpha^\lambda(q)$ and $Q_\beta^\lambda(q)$ are polynomials in q , $\sum_\lambda a_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_\alpha^\lambda(q) Q_\beta^\lambda(q)$ is a rational function in q . We now show that this function tends to $(-1)^{1+r(\alpha)+r(\beta)}$ as $q \rightarrow \infty$.

Let $\alpha = \{1^{a_1} 2^{a_2} \dots\}$ be a partition of $s \geq 1$ and $\beta = \{1^{b_1} 2^{b_2} \dots\}$ be a partition of $s-1$. Put $r(\alpha) = a_1 + a_2 + \dots$, and $r(\beta) = b_1 + b_2 + \dots$. Then we have

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$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = s-1}} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_\alpha^\lambda(q) Q_\beta^\lambda(q) = (-1)^{1+r(\alpha)+r(\beta)}.$$

PROOF. Let $Q_\alpha^\lambda(q) = \sum g_{\lambda'_1 \lambda'_2 \dots}^\lambda(q) k(\lambda'_1, q) k(\lambda'_2, q) \dots$, where the summation is over all rows $(\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2, \dots)$ of partitions, such that $\lambda'_1, \dots, \lambda'_{a_1}$ are partitions of 1, $\lambda'_{a_1+1}, \dots, \lambda'_{a_1+a_2}$ are partitions of 2, etc. $Q_\beta^\lambda(q) = \sum g_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots}^\lambda(q) k(\lambda_1, q) k(\lambda_2, q) \dots$. The degrees in q of $g_{\lambda'_1 \lambda'_2 \dots}^\lambda(q) k(\lambda'_1, q) k(\lambda'_2, q) \dots$ and $g_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots}^\lambda(q) k(\lambda_1, q) k(\lambda_2, q) \dots$ are $n_\lambda - \sum_i n_{\lambda'_i} + \sum_i \binom{k_1(\lambda'_i)}{2}$ and $n_\lambda - \sum_i n_{\lambda_i} + \sum_i \binom{k_1(\lambda_i)}{2}$ respectively, where $\{k_1(\lambda'_i), k_2(\lambda'_i), \dots\}$ and $\{k_1(\lambda_i), k_2(\lambda_i), \dots\}$ are conjugate partitions of λ'_i and λ_i respectively. Clearly $k_1(\tilde{\lambda}) = k_1(\lambda) + 1, k_i(\tilde{\lambda}) = k_i(\lambda)$ for $i=2, 3, \dots$ and $n_{\tilde{\lambda}} = k_1(\lambda) + n_\lambda$. So it follows that the degree in q of

$$\begin{aligned} &g_{\lambda'_1 \lambda'_2 \dots}^\lambda(q) k(\lambda'_1, q) k(\lambda'_2, q) \dots g_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots}^\lambda(q) k(\lambda_1, q) k(\lambda_2, q) \dots \\ &= 2n_\lambda + k_1(\lambda) - \sum_i \left\{ n_{\lambda'_i} - \binom{k_1(\lambda'_i)}{2} \right\} - \sum_i \left\{ n_{\lambda_i} - \binom{k_1(\lambda_i)}{2} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

does not exceed $|\lambda|+2n_\lambda$ if $|\lambda|\neq k_1(\lambda)$ i.e. $\lambda\neq\{1^{s-1}\}$. Hence we have

$$\lim_{q\rightarrow\infty} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_\alpha^\lambda(q) Q_\beta^\lambda(q) = 0$$

if $\lambda\neq\{1^{s-1}\}$. For the case $\lambda=\{1^{s-1}\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_\alpha^\lambda(q) Q_\beta^\lambda(q) &= \{\Phi_s(q)(1-q)^{-a_1}(1-q^2)^{-a_2}\dots\} \{\Phi_{s-1}(q)(1-q)^{-b_1}(1-q^2)^{-b_2}\dots\} \\ &\quad \times \{q^{s-1+2\binom{s-1}{2}} \Phi_{s-1}(q^{-1})\}^{-1} \\ &= (q^{-1}-1)\dots(q^{-s}-1)(q^{-1}-1)\dots(q^{1-s}-1) \Phi_{s-1}(q^{-1})^{-1} \\ &\quad \times \{(q^{-1}-1)^{a_1}(q^{-2}-1)^{a_2}\dots\}^{-1} \{(q^{-1}-1)^{b_1}(q^{-2}-1)^{b_2}\dots\}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the result follows.

§ 3. Let $\rho=\{1^{r_1}2^{r_2}\dots\}$, $\sigma=\{1^{s_1}2^{s_2}\dots\}$ be partitions of $n, n-1$ respectively and let $h=h^\rho, k=k^\sigma$ stand for the rows $(h_{11}, \dots, h_{1r_1}; h_{21}, \dots, h_{2r_2}; \dots), (k_{11}, \dots, k_{1s_1}; k_{21}, \dots, k_{2s_2}; \dots)$ respectively. Let $B^\rho(h), B^\sigma(k)$ be basic characters of type ρ, σ respectively. $B^\rho(h)$ is a basic uniform function of type ρ with ρ -part B_ρ

$$B_\rho = B_\rho(\xi^\rho) = \prod_d \sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{S}_{r_d}} S_d(h_{d,\alpha(1)} : \xi_{d,1}) S_d(h_{d,\alpha(2)} : \xi_{d,2}) \dots S_d(h_{d,\alpha(r_d)} : \xi_{d,r_d})$$

where \mathfrak{S}_{r_d} is the symmetric group on $\{1, 2, \dots, r_d\}$ and $S_d(l; \xi) = \theta(\xi)^l + \theta(\xi)^{q^l} + \dots + \theta(\xi)^{q^{d-1}l}$. Here θ is a non-trivial linear character of the multiplicative group $M(q^{n!})$ of $GF(q^{n!})$, and so θ has multiplicative order $q^{n!}-1$. The restriction of θ to $M(q^{(n-1)!})$ is a generator of the character group of $M(q^{(n-1)!})$, and so θ has order $q^{(n-1)!}$ as function on $M(q^{(n-1)!})$. We remark that $B(\xi^{(1)}) = \theta(\xi)^1$, if $B^{(1)}(l) = B_{(1)}(l) = B(l)$ is a basic character of type $\{1\}$.

From now on, we put $\sigma = \sigma_1$. By the expression (2.4) we get

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad (B^\rho(h)_0, B^\sigma(k)B(l)) &= \frac{1}{q-1} \sum_{c_2} \sum_{\substack{\tau \text{ with} \\ \tau \leq \rho, \sigma}} \sum_{m_{c_2}} z_{\rho(\tau)}^{-1} z_{\sigma(\tau)}^{-1} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma(\tau)|}} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_\rho^\lambda(q) Q_\sigma^\lambda(q) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} z_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)}^{-1} c_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)} (q^{d(f)})^{-1} B_\rho(x^\rho m) \overline{B_\rho(x^\sigma m_1) B(x\alpha_{c_2})} \end{aligned}$$

where m is the mode $X^\rho \rightarrow F$ with $m|_{X^\tau} = m_{c_2}$, $m(X^{\rho(\tau)}) = f_{c_2}$, and m_1 is the mode $X^\sigma \rightarrow F$ with $m_1|_{X^\tau} = m_{c_2}$, $m_1(X^{\sigma(\tau)}) = f_{c_2}$. Choose a substitution γ of X^ρ belonging to m . We write $B_\rho(\xi^\rho) = B_\rho(\xi_{11}, \dots, \xi_{1r_1}; \xi_{21}, \dots, \xi_{2r_2}; \dots)$ for $B_\rho(x^\rho)$ and if $\eta_{di} \in M(q^d)$ is a root of $x_{di}\gamma$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, r_d; d=1, 2, \dots$), we define $B_\rho(\xi^\rho \gamma) = B_\rho(\xi^\rho m) = B_\rho(\eta_{11}, \dots, \eta_{1r_1}; \eta_{21}, \dots, \eta_{2r_2}; \dots)$ to be $B_\rho(x^\rho \gamma)$. We denote a root of $x_{di}\gamma$ by $\xi_{di} m_{c_2}$. Thus if $\tau = \{1^{t_1} 2^{t_2} \dots\}$, we have $\xi_{di} m_{c_2} = c_2$ for $i = t_d + 1, t_d + 2, \dots, r_d$ since $m(X^{\rho(\tau)}) = f_{c_2}$. Hence we have

$$B_\rho(x^\rho m) = z_{\rho(\tau)} \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} S_d(h_{d,\mu_\alpha(i)} : \xi_{di} m_{c_2}) \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu}}$$

in which the first summation is over all subsets $\{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{t_d}\}$ of $\{1, \dots, r_d\}$, and $h_{d\mu} = h_{d\mu_{t_d+1}} + \dots + h_{d\mu_{r_d}}$ where $\{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{t_d}, \mu_{t_d+1}, \dots, \mu_{r_d}\}$ is a permutation of $\{1, \dots, r_d\}$. Similarly we have

$$B_\sigma(x^\sigma m_1) = z_{\sigma(\tau)} \prod_d \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} S_d(k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}} : \xi_{d_i} m_{c_2}) \theta(c_2)^{k_{d\nu}}$$

in which the first summation is over all subsets $\{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_{t_d}\}$ of $\{1, \dots, s_d\}$, and $k_{d\nu} = k_{d\nu_{t_d+1}} + \dots + k_{d\nu_{s_d}}$ where $\{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_{t_d}, \nu_{t_d+1}, \dots, \nu_{s_d}\}$ is a permutation of $\{1, \dots, s_d\}$ and $B(x\alpha_{c_2}) = \theta(c_2)^l$. Then we can write the expression (3.1) in the form

$$(3.2) \quad (B^\sigma(h)_0, B^\sigma(k)B(l)) = \frac{1}{q-1} \sum_{c_2} \sum_{\tau \leq \rho, \sigma} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma(\tau)|}} a_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_\rho^\lambda(q) Q_\sigma^\lambda(q) N^{c_2}(\tau)$$

where

$$(3.3) \quad N^{c_2}(\tau) = \sum_{m_{c_2}} \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} z_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)}^{-1} c_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)} (q^{d(f)})^{-1} \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \\ \times \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} S_d(h_{d\mu_{\alpha(i)}} : \xi_{d_i} m_{c_2}) \overline{S_d(k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}} : \xi_{d_i} m_{c_2})}.$$

In $N^{c_2}(\tau)$, we replace $m_{c_2}, \xi_{d_i} m_{c_2}$ by the sum of all substitutions $\gamma: X^c \rightarrow F^{c_2}$ belonging to m_{c_2} , roots $\xi_{d_i} \gamma$ of $x_{d_i} \gamma$ respectively. Such the number of substitutions γ belonging to m_{c_2} equals $\prod_d t_d! \{ \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} \tau_{d/d(f)}(m_{c_2}, f)! \}^{-1}$, where we define $\tau_{d/d(f)}(m_{c_2}, f) = 0$ if $d(f) \nmid d$. Then we can omit the $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}}$ multiplied by $t_d!$, since ρ -function is symmetric in each set $x_{d_1}, \dots, x_{d_{r_d}}$. Hence we can write the expression (3.3) in the form

$$N^{c_2}(\tau) = c_\tau(q)^{-1} \sum_\gamma \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} z_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)}^{-1} \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} \tau_{d/d(f)}(m_{c_2}, f)! \\ \times \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} S_d(h_{d\mu_i} : \xi_{d_i} \gamma) \overline{S_d(k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}} : \xi_{d_i} \gamma)}$$

where the first summation is over all substitutions $\gamma: X^c \rightarrow F^{c_2}$ belonging to m_{c_2} . We can also see that

$$\prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} z_{\tau(m_{c_2}, f)} = \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} \prod_{\substack{d \text{ with} \\ d(f) \mid d}} \left(\frac{d}{d(f)} \right)^{\tau_{d/d(f)}(m_{c_2}, f)} \tau_{d/d(f)}(m_{c_2}, f)!.$$

Hence we have

$$N^{c_2}(\tau) = c_\tau(q)^{-1} \sum_\gamma \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} \prod_d \left(\frac{d(f)}{d} \right)^{\tau_{d/d(f)}(m_{c_2}, f)} \\ \times \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} d(x_{d_i} \gamma)^{-1} \sum_{\varepsilon_{d_i}} S_d(h_{d\mu_i} : \varepsilon_{d_i}) \overline{S_d(k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}} : \varepsilon_{d_i})}$$

where the last summation is over all roots ε_{d_i} of $x_{d_i} \gamma$. If $x_{d_i} \gamma = f$, then $d(x_{d_i} \gamma) = d(f)$

and $\prod_{i=1}^{t_d} d(x_{d_i} \gamma) = \prod_{f \in F^{c_2}} d(f)^{c_d/d(f)} (m_{c_2, f})$. Hence we have

$$N^{c_2}(\tau) = c_\tau(q)^{-1} \prod_d d^{-t_d} \sum_{\gamma} \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{C}_{t_d}} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \sum_{\epsilon_{d_i}} S_d(h_{d\mu_i}; \epsilon_{d_i}) \overline{S_d(k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}; \epsilon_{d_i})}.$$

We now put $X_d^\tau = \{x_{d_1}, \dots, x_{d_{t_d}}\}$ and so $X^\tau = \bigcup_d X_d^\tau$. Let γ_d be a substitution $X_d^\tau \rightarrow F^{c_2}$ with $d(x_{d_i} \gamma_d) | d$, that is, $\gamma_d = \gamma |_{X_d^\tau}$. Then we have

$$N^{c_2}(\tau) = c_\tau(q)^{-1} \prod_d d^{-t_d} \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{C}_{t_d}} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \sum_{\epsilon_{d_i}} S_d(h_{d\mu_i}; \epsilon_{d_i}) \overline{S_d(k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}; \epsilon_{d_i})}$$

where the last summation is over all elements of $M(q^d) - \{c_2\}$, since $x_{d_i} \gamma \neq f_{c_2}$.

We shall use the following notations:

$$\delta_{a,b}^d = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \equiv b \pmod{q^d - 1} \\ 0 & \text{if } a \not\equiv b \pmod{q^d - 1} \end{cases} \quad (d=1, 2, \dots),$$

$$\Delta^d(a, b) = \delta_{a,b}^d + \delta_{a,bq}^d + \dots + \delta_{a,bq^{d-1}}^d.$$

Then we have

$$N^{c_2}(\tau) = \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{C}_{t_d}} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \left\{ \Delta^d(h_{d\mu_i}, k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}) - \frac{d}{q^d - 1} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu_i} - k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}} \right\}$$

and so we can write the expression (3.2) in the form

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} & (B^\rho(h)_0, B^\sigma(k)B(l)) \\ &= \frac{1}{q-1} \sum_{c_2} \sum_{\tau \leq \rho, \sigma} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma(\tau)|}} \alpha_\lambda(q)^{-1} Q_{\rho(\tau)}^\lambda(q) Q_{\sigma(\tau)}^\lambda(q) \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{C}_{t_d}} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \\ & \quad \times \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \left\{ \Delta^d(h_{d\mu_i}, k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}) - \frac{d}{q^d - 1} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu_i} - k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We now assume that $0 \leq a, b < q^d - 1$. Let $a = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 q + \dots + \alpha_{d-1} q^{d-1}$ and $b = \beta_0 + \beta_1 q + \dots + \beta_{d-1} q^{d-1}$ with $0 \leq \alpha_i, \beta_i \leq q - 1$. Then $\Delta^d(a, b)$ equals the number of cyclic permutations of $\beta_0, \dots, \beta_{d-1}$ which are cyclic permutations of $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{d-1}$. Let

$$h_{d_i}(s) = \alpha_0(d, i) + \alpha_1(d, i)q^s + \dots + \alpha_{d-1}(d, i)q^{s(d-1)},$$

$$k_{d_i}(s) = \beta_0(d, i) + \beta_1(d, i)q^s + \dots + \beta_{d-1}(d, i)q^{s(d-1)},$$

where $h_{d_i}(1) = h_{d_i}$ and $k_{d_i}(1) = k_{d_i}$. Then $\Delta^d(h_{d\mu_i}(s), k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}(s))$ is irrelevant to s , even if we replace q by q^s . We consider $B^\rho(h(s))$, $B^\sigma(k(s))$ and $B(l(s))$ as characters of $GL(n, q^s)$, $GL(n-1, q^s)$ and $GL(1, q^s)$ respectively. Hence, by replacing q by q^s , we can write the expression (3.4) in the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (B^\rho(h(s))_0, B^\sigma(k(s))B(l(s))) \\
 (3.5) \quad &= \frac{1}{q^s-1} \sum_{c_2} \sum_{\tau \leq \rho, \sigma} \sum_{\substack{\lambda \text{ with} \\ |\lambda| = |\sigma(\tau)|}} a_\lambda(q^s)^{-1} Q_{\rho(\tau)}^\lambda(q^s) Q_{\sigma(\tau)}^\lambda(q^s) \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l} \\
 & \times \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \left\{ \Delta^d(h_{d\mu_i}, k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}) - \frac{d}{q^{s_d}-1} \theta(c_2)^{h_{d\mu_i} - k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

where the first summation is over all classes of $GL(1, q^s)$. Since $B^\rho(h(s))$, $B^\sigma(k(s))$ and $B(l(s))$ are characters, the left-hand side of (3.5) must be an integer for $s=1, 2, \dots$. On the other hand, the right-hand side of (3.5) is a rational function in q , and so its limit as $s \rightarrow \infty$ equals

$$\sum_{\tau} (-1)^{1+r(\rho)+r(\sigma)} \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \Delta^d(h_{d\mu_i}, k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}),$$

if $q^s-1 | h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l$, otherwise 0. This means that, for all sufficiently large prime power values of q , they equal this value. Hence they equal this value identically. Thus we can write the expression (3.5) in the form

$$(3.6) \quad (B^\rho(h)_0, B^\sigma(k)B(l)) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{1+r(\rho)+r(\sigma)} \sum_{\tau \leq \rho, \sigma} \prod_d \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \Delta^d(h_{d\mu_i}, k_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}), \\ \text{if } q-1 | h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l \\ 0, \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

§ 4. Throughout this section we suppose that $q-1 | h_{d\mu} - k_{d\nu} - l$. Let G be the set of all s -simplexes for $s \geq 1$. Let $Y^\rho = \{y_{11}, \dots, y_{1r_1}; y_{21}, \dots, y_{2r_2}; \dots\}$ be the set of dual ρ -variables, α be a substitution of Y^ρ into G and m be a mode of substitution α . Then we put $h_{d_i}\alpha = c_{d_i}(q^d-1)(q^{s_{d_i}}-1)^{-1}$, where c_{d_i} is a root of the simplex $y_{d_i}\alpha$ and s_{d_i} is the degree of $y_{d_i}\alpha$. Similarly we determine $Y^\sigma = \{z_{11}, \dots, z_{1s_1}; z_{21}, \dots, z_{2s_2}; \dots\}$, α_1 : substitution of Y^σ into G , m_1 : mode of α_1 , and $k_{d_i}\alpha_1 = e_{d_i}(q^d-1)(q^{t_{d_i}}-1)^{-1}$, where e_{d_i} is a root of $z_{d_i}\alpha_1$ and t_{d_i} is the degree of $z_{d_i}\alpha_1$. Clearly $Y^{\sigma_2} = \{z'_{11}\}$ and $l\alpha_{c_2} = c_2$. We remark that $\Delta^d(h_{d_i}\alpha, k_{d_j}\alpha_1) = 0$, if $y_{d_i}\alpha \neq z_{d_j}\alpha_1 = g$, we can easily find that $\Delta^d(h_{d_i}\alpha, k_{d_j}\alpha_1) = d/d(g)$. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (B^\rho(hm)_0, B^\sigma(km_1)B(lm_2)) \\
 &= (-1)^{1+r(\rho)+r(\sigma)} \prod_d \sum_{t_d=0}^{\min\{r_d, s_d\}} \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathfrak{S}_{t_d}} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \frac{d}{d(y_{d\mu_i}\alpha)} \delta_{y_{d\mu_i}\alpha, z_{d\nu_{\beta(i)}}\alpha_1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

For each positive integer l , let $\rho_l(\alpha, g)$ be the number of elements y_{d_i} of Y^ρ such that $y_{d_i}\alpha = g$ and $d = ld(g)$. We put $\rho(\alpha, g) = \{1\rho_1^{(\alpha, g)} 2\rho_2^{(\alpha, g)} \dots\}$. It is clear that

α, α_1 are equivalent substitutions of Y^ρ if and only if $\rho(\alpha, g) = \rho(\alpha_1, g)$ for all $g \in G$. Thus, if m is the mode of α , we can write $\rho(\alpha, g) = \rho(m, g)$ without ambiguity. Similarly we define $\sigma_l(\alpha_1, g) = \sigma_l(m_1, g)$ and $\sigma(\alpha_1, g) = \sigma(m_1, g)$. If $d(g) \mid d$, $\rho_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha, g)$ is the number of elements y_{d_i} of Y^ρ such that $y_{d_i} \alpha = g$, and $\sigma_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha_1, g)$ is the number of elements z_{d_i} of Y^σ such that $z_{d_i} \alpha_1 = g$. If $d(g) \nmid d$, we may assume that $\rho_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha, g) = \sigma_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha_1, g) = 0$.

For the moment, let us fix $t_d, \{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{t_d}\}$ and $\{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_{t_d}\}$. Unless, for each $g \in G$, $y_{d_i} \alpha$ and $z_{d_i} \alpha_1$ are both equal to g , then $\prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \delta_{y_{d_i} \alpha, z_{d_i} \nu_{\beta(i)} \alpha_1} = 0$. Take $Y^\tau = \{w_{11}, \dots, w_{1t_1}; w_{21}, \dots, w_{2t_2}; \dots\}$, $\alpha_0 = \alpha|_{Y^\tau} = \alpha_1|_{Y^\tau}$ and $l_d(g) = \#\{w \in Y^\tau \mid w \alpha_0 = g, d(w) = g\}$. Then $l_d(g) \leq \min\{\rho_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha, g), \sigma_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha_1, g)\}$ and $\sum_{g \in G} l_d(g) = t_d$. Hence

$$\sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{O}_{t_d}} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \frac{d}{d(y_{d_i} \alpha)} \delta_{y_{d_i} \alpha, z_{d_i} \nu_{\beta(i)} \alpha_1} = \prod_{g \in G} \left(\frac{d}{d(g)}\right)^{l_d(g)} l_d(g)!,$$

and so we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{t_d=0}^{\min\{r_d, s_d\}} \sum_{\{\mu_i\}} \sum_{\{\nu_i\}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{O}_{t_d}} \prod_{i=1}^{t_d} \frac{d}{d(y_{d_i} \alpha)} \delta_{y_{d_i} \alpha, z_{d_i} \nu_{\beta(i)} \alpha_1} \\ &= \prod_{g \in G} \sum_w \binom{\rho_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha, g)}{w} \binom{\sigma_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha_1, g)}{w} \left(\frac{d}{d(g)}\right)^w w!, \end{aligned}$$

where w range from 0 to $\min\{\rho_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha, g), \sigma_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha_1, g)\}$. Then we can write the expression (3.6) in the form

$$\begin{aligned} & (B^\rho(hm)_0, B^\sigma(km_1)B(lm_2)) \\ (4.1) \quad &= (-1)^{1+r(\rho)+r(\sigma)} \prod_d \prod_{g \in G} \sum_w \binom{\rho_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha, g)}{w} \binom{\sigma_{d \mid d(g)}(\alpha_1, g)}{w} \left(\frac{d}{d(g)}\right)^w w!. \end{aligned}$$

§ 5. Let $\mu(g)$ be a partition-valued function on G such that $\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)| d(g) = n$. Then there is a one-to-one correspondence between such functions $\mu(g)$ and irreducible characters of $GL(n, q)$ (see Green [1]). We denote the irreducible character of $GL(n, q)$ corresponding to μ by $[\mu]$. Similarly we define $[\nu], [\eta]$ for the partition-valued functions ν, η on G such that $\sum_{g \in G} |\nu(g)| d(g) = n-1, \sum_{g \in G} |\eta(g)| d(g) = 1$ respectively. We now calculate the scalar product $([\mu]_\rho, [\nu] [\eta])$. From the results of Green [1], we can write $[\mu]$ in the form $[\mu] = (-1)^{n - \sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|} I_\mu$ with $I_\mu = \sum_f \sum_m \chi_\rho(m, \mu) B^\rho(h^\rho m)$, summed over all partitions ρ of n , all modes m of substitution of Y^ρ such that $|\rho(m, g)| = |\mu(g)|$, and $\chi_\rho(m, \mu) = \prod_{g \in G} z_{\rho(m, g)}^{-1} \chi_{\rho(m, g)}^{\mu(g)}$, where $\chi_{\rho(m, g)}^{\mu(g)}$ stands for the character of the symmetric group of appropriate degree corresponding to the partition $\mu(g)$. We remark that $[\eta] = B(lm_2)$. By the expression (4.1),

$$\begin{aligned}
 ([\mu]_0, [\nu] [\gamma]) &= (-1)^{1+\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)| + \sum_{g \in G} |\nu(g)|} \sum_{\rho} \sum_m \sum_{\sigma} \sum_{m_1} (-1)^{1+r(\rho)+r(\sigma)} \\
 &\times \prod_{g \in G} z_{\rho(m,g)}^{-1} z_{\sigma(m_1,g)}^{-1} \chi_{\rho(m,g)}^{\mu(g)} \chi_{\sigma(m_1,g)}^{\nu(g)} \\
 (5.1) \quad &\times \prod_d \sum_w \binom{\rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g)}{w} \binom{\sigma_{d|d(g)}(m_1,g)}{w} \left(\frac{d}{d(g)}\right)^w w! \\
 &\times \delta^1_{\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|g, \sum_{g \in G} \{|\nu(g)|+|\gamma(g)\}g},
 \end{aligned}$$

summed over all partitions ρ with $|\rho|=n$, all σ with $|\sigma|=n-1$ and all modes m of Y^ρ with $|\rho(m,g)|=|\mu(g)|$, all modes m_1 of Y^σ with $|\sigma(m_1,g)|=|\nu(g)|$. Moreover w range from 0 to $\min\{\rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g), \sigma_{d|d(g)}(m_1,g)\}$.

Since $r_d = \sum_{g \in G} \rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g)$ and $\sum_d \frac{d}{d(g)} \rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g) = |\rho(m,g)| = |\mu(g)|$, we get

$$r(\rho) + \sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)| = \sum_d \sum_{g \in G} \left(\frac{d}{d(g)} + 1\right) \rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g),$$

and so

$$(-1)^{r(\rho) + \sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|} = \prod_{g \in G} (-1)^{\sum_d (d|d(g)+1) \rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g)} = \prod_{g \in G} \chi_{\rho(m,g)}^{1|\mu(g)|}.$$

Moreover, it is clear that $z_{\rho(m,g)} = \prod_d \left(\frac{d}{d(g)}\right)^{\rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g)} \rho_{d|d(g)}(m,g)!$. For σ and m_1 , we also obtain the same results. Hence we can write the expression (5.1) in the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 ([\mu]_0, [\nu] [\gamma]) &= \prod_{g \in G} \sum_{\lambda} \sum_{\kappa} \widehat{\chi}_{\lambda}^{\mu(g)} \widehat{\chi}_{\kappa}^{\nu(g)} \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_w \{w! (l_i-w)! (k_i-w)!\}^{-1} i^{w-l_i-k_i} \\
 (5.2) \quad &\times \delta^1_{\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|g, \sum_{g \in G} \{|\nu(g)|+|\gamma(g)\}g},
 \end{aligned}$$

summed over all $\lambda = \{1^{l_1} 2^{l_2} \dots\}$ with $|\lambda|=|\mu(g)|$, all $\kappa = \{1^{k_1} 2^{k_2} \dots\}$ with $|\kappa|=|\nu(g)|$, w range from 0 to $\min\{l_i, k_i\}$. Immediately we get $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^{\min\{l_i, k_i\}} \{w! (l_i-w)! (k_i-w)!\}^{-1} \times i^{w-l_i-k_i} = \sum_{w \leq \lambda, \kappa} z_w^{-1} z_{\lambda-w}^{-1} z_{\kappa-w}^{-1}$. Hence we can write the expression (5.2) in the form

$$(5.3) \quad ([\mu]_0, [\nu] [\gamma]) = \prod_{g \in G} \sum_w z_w^{-1} \sum_{\lambda} z_{\lambda}^{-1} \widehat{\chi}_{\lambda+w}^{\mu(g)} \sum_{\kappa} z_{\kappa}^{-1} \widehat{\chi}_{\kappa+w}^{\nu(g)} \delta^1_{\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|g, \sum_{g \in G} \{|\nu(g)|+|\gamma(g)\}g},$$

where the first summation is over all partitions w with $|w| \leq \inf\{|\mu(g)|, |\nu(g)|\}$ and other summations are over all partitions λ, κ with $|\lambda|=|\mu(g)|-|w|$, $|\kappa|=|\nu(g)|-|w|$.

Let $\alpha = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots\}$, $\beta = \{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots\}$ be partitions with $\alpha_1 \geq \alpha_2 \geq \dots$, $\beta_1 \geq \beta_2 \geq \dots$. Let $g(\alpha, \beta) = \sum_w z_w^{-1} \sum_{\lambda} z_{\lambda}^{-1} \chi_{\lambda-w}^{\alpha} \sum_{\kappa} z_{\kappa}^{-1} \chi_{\kappa-w}^{\beta}$ and $f(\alpha, \beta) = g(\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta})$. From the results of

Thoma [3] (also Littlewood [2]), we get

$$f(\alpha, \beta) = \begin{cases} \prod_d (l_d + 1) & \text{if } |\alpha_i - \beta_i| \leq 1 \text{ for all } i \\ 0 & \text{if } |\alpha_i - \beta_i| \geq 2 \text{ for some } i, \end{cases}$$

where l_d is the number of indices i such that $\alpha_i = \beta_i = d$, for $d = 1, 2, \dots$. Therefore we have the following

THEOREM. Let $\mu(g), \nu(g)$ and $\eta(g)$ be partition-valued functions on the set G of simplexes, which satisfy the conditions $\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|d(g) = n$, $\sum_{g \in G} |\nu(g)|d(g) = n - 1$ and $\sum_{g \in G} |\eta(g)|d(g) = 1$. Let $[\mu]$, $[\nu]$ and $[\eta]$ be the irreducible characters of $GL(n, q)$, $GL(n-1, q)$ and $GL(1, q)$ corresponding to the partition-valued functions $\mu(g)$, $\nu(g)$ and $\eta(g)$ respectively. Furthermore let $[\mu]_0$ be the restriction of $[\mu]$ to $GL(n-1, q) \times GL(1, q)$. Then we have

$$([\mu]_0, [\nu][\eta]) = \prod_{g \in G} f(\mu(g), \nu(g)) \delta^1_{\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|g, \sum_{g \in G} (|\nu(g)| + |\eta(g)|)g}$$

COROLLARY. Notations being as above, we have

$$[\mu]_0 = \sum_{\nu} \sum_{\eta} \prod_{g \in G} f(\mu(g), \nu(g)) [\nu][\eta] \delta^1_{\sum_{g \in G} |\mu(g)|g, \sum_{g \in G} (|\nu(g)| + |\eta(g)|)g}$$

where the summations are over all partitions ν, η such that $\sum_{g \in G} |\nu(g)|d(g) = n - 1$, $\sum_{g \in G} |\eta(g)|d(g) = 1$.

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