

Problem 30

Consider the dihedral group $D_4 = \langle r, s \mid r^4 = s^2 = (rs)^2 = 1 \rangle$:

- (1) Identify its five conjugacy classes and define the corresponding class operators;
- (2) Work out its class multiplication table;
- (3) (*Optional*) Diagonalize the class operators (with the help of some software such as python or Mathematica[©] if needed) to determine its character table. You should recover the character table here ¹.

¹<http://symmetry.jacobs-university.de/cgi-bin/group.cgi?group=304&option=4>