# SPECIAL REPRESENTATIONS OF THE BOREL AND MAXIMAL PARABOLIC SUBGROUPS OF $G_2(q)$

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ABSTRACT. A square matrix over the complex field with a non-negative integral trace is called a quasi-permutation matrix. For a finite group G, the minimal degree of a faithful representation of G by quasi-permutation matrices over the complex numbers is denoted by c(G), and r(G) denotes the minimal degree of a faithful rational valued complex character of G. In this paper c(G) and r(G) are calculated for the Borel and maximal parabolic subgroups of  $G_2(q)$ .

## 1. Introduction

Let G be a finite linear group of degree n, that is, a finite group of automorphisms of an n-dimensional complex vector space. We shall say that G is a quasi-permutation group if the trace of every element of G is a non-negative rational integer. The reason for this terminology is that, if G is a permutation group of degree n, its elements, considered as acting on the elements of a basis of an n-dimensional complex vector space V, induce automorphisms of V forming a group isomorphic to G. The trace of the automorphism corresponding to an element x of G is equal to the number of letters left fixed by x, and so is a non-negative integer. Thus, a permutation group of degree n has a representation as a quasi-permutation group of degree n (See [12]). In [4] the authors investigated further the analogy between permutation groups and quasi-permutation groups. They also worked over the rational field and found some interesting results.

By a quasi-permutation matrix we mean a square matrix over the complex field C with non-negative integral trace. Thus every permutation matrix over C is a quasi-permutation matrix. For a given finite group G, let c(G) be the minimal degree of a faithful representation of G by complex quasi-permutation matrices. By a rational valued character we mean a complex character  $\chi$  of G such that  $\chi(g) \in Q$  for all  $g \in G$ . As the values of the characters of a complex representation are algebraic numbers, a rational valued character is in fact integer valued. A quasi-permutation representation of G is then simply a complex representation of

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G whose character values are rational and non-negative. The module of such a representation will be called a quasi-permutation module.

We will call a homomorphism from G to GL(n,Q) a rational representation of G and its corresponding character will be called a rational character of G. Let r(G) denote the minimal degree of a faithful rational valued character of G.

Finding the above quantities has been carried out in some papers, for example in [5], [6], [7] and [10] we found them for the groups GL(2,q),  $SU(3,q^2)$ ,  $PSU(3,q^2)$ , SL(3,q), PSL(3,q) and  $G_2(2^n)$  respectively. In [3] we found the rational character table and above values for the group PGL(2,q).

In this paper we will calculate c(G) and r(G) where G is a Borel subgroup or the maximal parabolic subgroups of  $G_2(q)$ .

### 2. NOTATION AND PRELIMINARIES

Let  $G = G_2(q)$  be the Chevalley group of type  $G_2$  defined over K. An excellent description of the group can be found in [11]. We summarize some properties of the group. Let  $\Sigma$  be the set of roots of a simple Lie algebra of type  $G_2$ . In some fixed ordering the set of positive roots of  $\Sigma$  can be written as

$$\Sigma^{+} = \{a, b, a+b, 2a+b, 3a+b, 3a+2b\}$$

and  $\Sigma$  consists of the elements of  $\Sigma^+$  and their negatives. For each  $r \in \Sigma$ , let  $x_r(t), x_{-r}(t)$  and  $\omega_r$  be as in [11]. Moreover we denote the element  $h(\chi)$  of [11] by  $h(z_1, z_2, z_3)$ , where  $\chi(\xi_i) = z_i$  with  $z_1 z_2 z_3 = 1$ . Note that  $a = \xi_2$ ,  $b = \xi_1 - \xi_2$  and  $\xi_1 + \xi_2 + \xi_3 = 0$ . For simplicity of notation  $h(x^i, x^j, x^{-i-j})$  is also denoted by  $h_x(i, j, -i-j)$  for  $x = \gamma, \theta, \omega$ , etc. Let  $X_r = \{x_r(t) \mid t \in K\}$  be the one-parameter subgroup corresponding to a root r. Set

$$\begin{split} H &= \{h(z_1, z_2, z_3) \mid z_i \in K^{\times}, z_1 z_2 z_3 = 1\}, \\ U &= X_a X_b X_{a+b} X_{2a+b} X_{3a+b} X_{3a+2b}, \\ B &= HU, \quad P = < B, \omega_a >, \quad Q = < B, \omega_b >. \end{split}$$

Then  $B = N_G(U)$  is a Borel subgroup and P and Q are the maximal parabolic subgroups containing B.

By [1], [8], [9], every irreducible character of B will be defined as an induced character of some linear character of a subgroup. This implies that B is an M-group. The character tables of the Borel subgroup B for different q are given in Tables I of [1], [8], [9].

The character tables of parabolic subgroups

$$P = \langle B, \omega_a \rangle = B \cup B\omega_a B, \qquad Q = \langle B, \omega_b \rangle = B \cup B\omega_b B$$

for different q are given in Tables [A.4, A.6], [III, IV], [II-2, III-2] of [1], [8], [9] respectively.

Now we give algorithms for calculation of r(G) and c(G) .

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $\chi$  be a character of G such that, for all  $g \in G$ ,  $\chi(g) \in Q$  and  $\chi(g) \geq 0$ . Then we say that  $\chi$  is a non-negative rational valued character.

Let  $\eta_i$  for  $0 \le i \le r$  be Galois conjugacy classes of irreducible complex characters of G. For  $0 \le i \le r$  let  $\varphi_i$  be a representative of the class  $\eta_i$  with  $\varphi_o = 1_G$ . Write  $\Psi_i = \sum_{\chi_i \in \eta_i} \chi_i$ ,  $m_i = m_Q(\varphi_i)$  and  $K_i = \ker \varphi_i$ . We know that  $K_i = \ker \Psi_i$ . For  $I \subseteq \{0, 1, 2, \cdots, r\}$ , put  $K_I = \cap_{i \in I} K_i$ . By definition of r(G) and c(G) and using the above notations we have:

$$r(G) = \min\{\xi(1) : \xi = \sum_{i=1}^{r} n_i \Psi_i, \quad n_i \ge 0, \ K_I = 1 \text{ for } I = \{i, i \ne 0, n_i > 0\}\}$$

$$c(G) = \min\{\xi(1) : \xi = \sum_{i=0}^{r} n_i \Psi_i, \quad n_i \ge 0, \ K_I = 1 \text{ for } I = \{i, i \ne 0, n_i > 0\}\}$$

where  $n_0 = -\min\{\xi(g)|g \in G\}$  in the case of c(G).

In [2] we defined  $d(\chi)$ ,  $m(\chi)$  and  $c(\chi)$  (see Definition 3.4). Here we can redefine it as follows:

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\chi$  be a complex character of G such that  $\ker \chi = 1$  and  $\chi = \chi_1 + \cdots + \chi_n$  for some  $\chi_i \in \operatorname{Irr}(G)$ . Then define

(1) 
$$d(\chi) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\Gamma_i(\chi_i)| \chi_i(1),$$

$$(2) \ m(\chi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \chi = 1_G, \\ |\min\{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma_i(\chi_i)} \chi_i^{\alpha}(g) : g \in G\}| & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

(3) 
$$c(\chi) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma_i(\chi_i)} \chi_i^{\alpha} + m(\chi) 1_G.$$

So

$$r(G) = \min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi = 1\}$$

and

$$c(G) = \min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\}.$$

We can see all the following statements in [2].

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $\chi \in \operatorname{Irr}(G)$ , then  $\sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma(\chi)} \chi^{\alpha}$  is a rational valued character of G. Moreover  $c(\chi)$  is a non-negative rational valued character of G and  $c(\chi) = d(\chi) + m(\chi)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $\chi \in Irr(G)$ ,  $\chi \neq 1_G$ . Then  $c(\chi)(1) \geq d(\chi) + 1 \geq \chi(1) + 1$ .

**Lemma 2.5.** Let  $\chi \in Irr(G)$ . Then

- (1)  $c(\chi)(1) \ge d(\chi) \ge \chi(1)$ ;
- (2)  $c(\chi)(1) \leq 2d(\chi)$ . Equality occurs if and only if  $Z(\chi)/\ker \chi$  is of even order.

## 3. Quasi-permutation representations

In this section we will calculate r(G) and c(G) for Borel and parabolic subgroups of  $G_2(q)$ . First we shall determine the above quantities for a Borel subgroup.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let B be a Borel subgroup of  $G_2(q)$ , then

(1) 
$$r(B) = \begin{cases} 2q(q-1)|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| & \text{if } q = 3^n, \\ q^2(q-1)|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
(2) 
$$c(B) = \begin{cases} 2q^2|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| & \text{if } q = 3^n, \\ q^3|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

(2) 
$$c(B) = \begin{cases} 2q^2 |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| & \text{if } q = 3^n, \\ q^3 |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(3) 
$$\lim_{q \to \infty} \frac{c(B)}{r(B)} = 1.$$

*Proof.* Since there are similar proofs for  $q=2^n$ ,  $q=p^n$ ;  $p\neq 3$ , we will prove only the case  $q=2^n$ .

In order to calculate r(B) and c(B), we need to determine  $d(\chi)$  and  $c(\chi)(1)$  for all characters that are faithful or  $\bigcap_{\chi} \ker \chi = 1$ .

Now, by Corollary 2.3 and Lemmas 2.4, 2.5 and [9, Table I-1], for the Borel subgroup B we have

$$d(\chi_1) = |\Gamma(\chi_1(k,l))|\chi_1(k,l)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge q^2(q-1) + 1$$
  
and  $c(\chi_1)(1) \ge q^3 + 2$ ,

$$d(\chi_2) = |\Gamma(\chi_2(k))|\chi_2(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge (q-1)(q^2+1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_2)(1) \ge q(q^2+1),$ 

$$d(\chi_3) = |\Gamma(\chi_3(k))|\chi_3(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge (q-1)(q^2+1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_3)(1) \ge q(q^2+1),$ 

$$d(\chi_4) = |\Gamma(\chi_4(k))|\chi_4(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge q(q^2 - 1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_4)(1) \ge q^2(q + 1)$ ,

$$d(\chi_5) = |\Gamma(\chi_5(k))|\chi_5(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge q(q^2 - 1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_5)(1) \ge q^2(q + 1)$ ,

$$d(\chi_6) = |\Gamma(\chi_6(k))|\chi_6(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge q(q^2 - 1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_6)(1) \ge q^2(q + 1)$ ,

$$d(\chi_7) = |\Gamma(\theta_1)|\theta_1(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge (q-1)(q^2 + q - 1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_7)(1) \ge q(q^2 + q - 1),$ 

$$d(\chi_8) = |\Gamma(\theta_3)|\theta_3(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge q(q-1)(2q-1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_8)(1) \ge q^2(2q-1)$ ,

$$d(\chi_9) = |\Gamma(\Sigma_{l=0}^2 \theta_3(k, l))|(\Sigma_{l=0}^2 \theta_3(k, l))(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| \chi_7(k)(1) \ge q(q-1)(2q-1)$$
  
and  $c(\chi_9)(1) > q^2(2q-1)$ ,

$$d(\chi_{10}) = |\Gamma(\theta_4(r,s))|\theta_4(r,s)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1)| \ge \frac{q(q-1)(3q-1)}{2}$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{10})(1) \ge \frac{q^2(3q-1)}{2},$$

$$d(\chi_{11}) = |\Gamma(\Sigma_{x \in K}\theta_5(x))|(\Sigma_{x \in K}\theta_5(x))(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1)| \ge q^3(q-1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{11})(1) \ge q^4,$$

$$d(\chi_{12}) = |\Gamma(\chi_1(k,l))|\chi_1(k,l)(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge q^2(q-1)^2 + 1$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{12})(1) \ge q^3(q-1) + 2,$$

$$d(\chi_{13}) = |\Gamma(\chi_2(k))|\chi_2(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge (q-1)(q^3 - q^2 + 1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{13})(1) \ge q(q^3 - q^2 + 1),$$

$$d(\chi_{14}) = |\Gamma(\chi_3(k))|\chi_3(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge (q-1)(q^3 - q^2 + 1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{14})(1) \ge q(q^3 - q^2 + 1),$$

$$d(\chi_{15}) = |\Gamma(\chi_4(k))|\chi_4(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge q(q-1)(q^2 - q + 1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{15})(1) \ge q^2(q^2 - q + 1),$$

$$d(\chi_{16}) = |\Gamma(\chi_5(k))|\chi_5(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge q(q-1)(q^2 - q + 1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{16})(1) \ge q^2(q^2 - q + 1),$$

$$d(\chi_{17}) = |\Gamma(\chi_6(k))|\chi_6(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge q(q-1)(q^2 - q + 1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{17})(1) \ge q^2(q^2 - q + 1),$$

$$d(\chi_{18}) = |\Gamma(\theta_1)|\theta_1(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge (q-1)^2(q^2 + 1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{18})(1) \ge q(q-1)(q^2 + 1),$$

$$d(\chi_{19}) = |\Gamma(\theta_3)|\theta_3(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge q(q-1)^2(q + 1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{18})(1) \ge q^2(q-1)(q+1),$$

$$d(\chi_{20}) = |\Gamma(\Sigma_{16}^2\theta_3(k,l))|(\Sigma_{16}^2\theta_3(k,l))(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge q(q-1)^2(q+1)$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{20})(1) \ge q^2(q-1)(q+1),$$

$$d(\chi_{21}) = |\Gamma(\theta_4(r,s))|\theta_4(r,s)(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge \frac{q(q-1)^2(2q+1)}{2}$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{21})(1) \ge \frac{q^2(q-1)(2q+1)}{2},$$

$$d(\chi_{22}) = |\Gamma(\Sigma_{x \in K}\theta_5(x))|(\Sigma_{x \in K}\theta_5(x))(1) + |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1)| \ge 2q^2(q-1)^2$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{22})(1) \ge 2q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{18}) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) = q^2(q-1)^2$$
and 
$$c(\chi_{18})(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{18}) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) = q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{21}) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{22}) = |\Gamma(\chi_{18})|\chi_{18}(k)(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{21}) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{22}) = |\Gamma(\chi_{21})|\eta_1(k)(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{21}) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{22}) = |\Gamma(\chi_{21})|\eta_1(k)(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{22}) = |\Gamma(\chi_{21})|\eta_1(k)(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{21}) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{22}) = |\Gamma(\eta_2)|\theta_2(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

$$d(\chi_{21}) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) \ge q^3(q-1),$$

An overall picture is provided by the Table I on the next page.

For the character  $\chi_7(k)$ ,  $k \in R_0$  as  $|R_0| = q - 1$ , so  $|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| \le q - 1$ , where  $\Gamma(\chi_7(k)) = \Gamma(Q(\chi_7(k)) : Q)$ . Therefore we have

$$q^{2}(q-1) \le d(\chi_{7}(k)) \le q^{2}(q-1)^{2}$$
.

Now by Table I and the above equality we have

$$\min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi = 1\} = d(\chi_7(k)) = q^2(q-1)|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|$$

and

$$\min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\} = c(\chi_7(k))(1) = q^3 |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|.$$

The quasi-permutation representations of Borel subgroup of  $G_2(3^n)$  are constructed by the same method. In this case by [8, Table I] we have

$$\ker \chi_7(k) \bigcap \ker \chi_6(k) = 1.$$

Now, it is not difficult to calculate the values of  $d(\chi)$  and  $c(\chi)(1)$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi &= 1\} = |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) + |\Gamma(\chi_6(k))|\chi_6(k)(1) \\ &= 2q(q-1)|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| = 2q(q-1)|\Gamma(\chi_6(k))| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\} = 2q^2 |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| = 2q^2 |\Gamma(\chi_6(k))|$$
(Since  $|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| = |\Gamma(\chi_6(k))|$ ).

By parts (1) and (2) we have

$$\frac{c(B)}{r(B)} = \begin{cases} \frac{q^2}{q(q-1)} & \text{if } q = 3^n, \\ \frac{q^3}{q^2(q-1)} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Hence  $\lim_{q\to\infty} \frac{c(B)}{r(B)} = 1$ . Therefore the result follows.

The following theorem gives the quasi-permutation representations of a maximal parabolic subgroup  ${\cal P}.$ 

## Theorem 3.2.

**A.** Let P be a maximal parabolic subgroup of  $G_2(p^n)$ ,  $p \neq 3$ , then

(1) 
$$r(P) = q^2(q-1)$$
,

(2) 
$$c(P) = q^3$$
,

(3) 
$$\lim_{q \to \infty} \frac{c(P)}{r(P)} = 1.$$

Table I

|                 | Ι                       | T                       |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| χ               | $d(\chi)$               | $c(\chi)(1)$            |
| $\chi_1$        | $\geq q^2(q-1)+1$       | $\geq q^3 + 2$          |
| $\chi_2$        | $\geq (q-1)(q^2+1)$     | $\geq q(q^2+1)$         |
| <i>χ</i> 3      | $\geq (q-1)(q^2+1)$     | $\geq q(q^2+1)$         |
| $\chi_4$        | $\geq q(q^2-1)$         | $\geq q^2(q+1)$         |
| $\chi_5$        | $\geq q(q^2-1)$         | $\geq q^2(q+1)$         |
| $\chi_6$        | $\geq q(q^2 - 1)$       | $\geq q^2(q+1)$         |
| χ7              | $\geq (q-1)(q^2+q-1)$   | $\geq q(q^2 + q - 1)$   |
| $\chi_8$        | $\geq q(q-1)(2q-1)$     | $\geq q^2(2q-1)$        |
| χ9              | $\geq q(q-1)(2q-1)$     | $\geq q^2(2q-1)$        |
| $\chi_{10}$     | $\geq q(q-1)(3q-1)/2$   | $\geq q^2(3q-1)/2$      |
| χ11             | $\geq q^3(q-1)$         | $\geq q^4$              |
| $\chi_{12}$     | $\geq q^2(q-1)^2 + 1$   | $\geq q^3(q-1)+2$       |
| $\chi_{13}$     | $\geq (q-1)(q^3-q^2+1)$ |                         |
| $\chi_{14}$     | $\geq (q-1)(q^3-q^2+1)$ |                         |
| $\chi_{15}$     | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2-q+1)$  | $\geq q^2(q^2 - q + 1)$ |
| $\chi_{16}$     | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2-q+1)$  | $\geq q^2(q^2 - q + 1)$ |
| χ <sub>17</sub> | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2-q+1)$  | $\geq q^2(q^2 - q + 1)$ |
| χ18             | $\geq (q-1)^2(q^2+1)$   | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2+1)$    |
| $\chi_{19}$     | $\geq q(q-1)^2(q+1)$    | $\geq q^2(q-1)(q+1)$    |
| $\chi_{20}$     | $\geq q(q-1)^2(q+1)$    | $\geq q^2(q-1)(q+1)$    |
| $\chi_{21}$     | $\geq q(q-1)^2(2q+1)/2$ | $\geq q^2(q-1)(2q+1)/2$ |
| $\chi_{22}$     | $\geq 2q^2(q-1)^2$      | $\geq 2q^3(q-1)$        |
| $\chi_7(k)$     | $\geq q^2(q-1)$         | $\geq q^3$              |
| $\theta_2$      | $=q^2(q-1)^2$           | $= q^3(q-1)$            |

**B.** Let P be a maximal parabolic subgroup P of  $G_2(3^n)$ , then

(1) 
$$r(P) = q(q-1)(q+2)$$
,

(2) 
$$c(P) = q^2(q+1),$$

$$(3) \ \lim_{q\to\infty} \frac{c(P)}{r(P)} = 1.$$

*Proof.* **A.** Similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1, in order to calculate r(P) and c(P) we need to determine  $d(\chi)$  and  $c(\chi)(1)$  for all characters that are faithful or  $\bigcap_{\chi} \ker \chi = 1$ .

 $\bigcap_{\chi} \ker \chi = 1$ . Now, in this case, since the degrees of faithful characters are minimal, so we consider just the faithful characters and by Corollary 2.3, Lemmas 2.4, 2.5 and [9, Table (II-2)], for the maximal parabolic subgroup P of  $G_2(2^n)$  we have

$$\begin{split} d(\chi_7(k)) &= |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \geq q^2(q^2-1) & \text{and} & c(\chi_7)(k)(1) \geq q^3(q+1), \\ d(\chi_8(k)) &= |\Gamma(\chi_8(k))|\chi_8(k)(1) \geq q^2(q-1)^2 & \text{and} & c(\chi_8)(k)(1) \geq q^3(q-1), \\ d(\theta_7) &= |\Gamma(\theta_7)|\theta_7(1) = q^2(q-1) & \text{and} & c(\theta_7(1)) = q^3, \\ d(\theta_8) &= |\Gamma(\theta_8)|\theta_8(1) = q^3(q-1) & \text{and} & c(\theta_8(1)) = q^4. \end{split}$$

The values are set out in the following table

Table II

| χ             | $d(\chi)$         | $c(\chi)(1)$    |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| $\chi_7(k)$   | $\geq q^2(q^2-1)$ | $\geq q^3(q+1)$ |
| $\theta_8(k)$ | $\geq q^2(q-1)^2$ | $\geq q^3(q-1)$ |
| $\theta_7$    | $= q^2(q-1)$      | $=q^3$          |
| $\theta_8$    | $= q^3(q-1)$      | $=q^4$          |

Now, by Table II we have

$$\min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi = 1\} = d(\chi_7(k)) = q^2(q-1))$$
 and 
$$\min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\} = c(\chi_7(k))(1) = q^3.$$

By the same method for the maximal parabolic subgroup P of  $G_2(p^n)$ ,  $p \neq 3$  and by [1, Table A.6], Table III is constructed.

Table III

| χ                | $d(\chi)$          | $c(\chi)(1)$    |
|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| $P\chi_7(k)$     | $\geq q^2(q^2-1)$  | $\geq q^3(q+1)$ |
| $P\theta_8(k)$   | $\geq q^2(q-1)^2$  | $\geq q^3(q-1)$ |
| $_P	heta_7$      | $= q^2(q-1)$       | $=q^3$          |
| $_P\theta_8$     | $= q^3(q-1)$       | $=q^4$          |
| $_P\theta_9$     | $=q^2(q-1)^2/2$    | $= q^3(q-1)/2$  |
| $_{P}	heta_{10}$ | $=q^2(q-1)^2/2$    | $= q^3(q-1)/2$  |
| $_P	heta_{11}$   | $=q^2(q^2-1)/2$    | $= q^3(q+1)/2$  |
| $_P 	heta_{12}$  | $= q^2(q^2 - 1)/2$ | $= q^3(q+1)/2$  |

Now by Table III we have

$$\min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi = 1\} = d(\chi_7(k)) = q^2(q-1))$$
 and 
$$\min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\} = c(\chi_7(k))(1) = q^3.$$

**B.** The quasi-permutation representations of maximal parabolic subgroup P of  $G_2(3^n)$  are constructed by the same method in Theorem 3.1. In this case, by [8, Table III], we have

$$\ker \theta_{11} \bigcap \ker \chi_6(k) = 1.$$

This helps us to calculate

$$\min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi = 1\} = q(q-1)(q+1)$$
 and  $\min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\} = q^2(q+1).$ 

For the both parts, it is elementary to see that  $\lim_{q\to\infty}\frac{c(P)}{r(P)}=1$ . Therefore the result follows.

In the following theorem, we construct r(G) and c(G) of another parabolic subgroup Q of  $G_2(q)$ .

## Theorem 3.3.

**A.** Let Q be a maximal parabolic subgroup of  $G_2(p^n)$ ,  $p \neq 3$ , then

(1) 
$$r(Q) = q(q^2 - 1)|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|,$$

(2) 
$$c(Q) = q^3 |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|,$$

(3) 
$$\lim_{q \to \infty} \frac{c(Q)}{r(Q)} = 1.$$

**B.** Let Q be a maximal parabolic subgroup of  $G_2(3^n)$ , then

(1) 
$$r(Q) = q(q-1)(q+2)$$
,

(2) 
$$c(Q) = q^2(q+1)$$
,

(3) 
$$\lim_{q \to \infty} \frac{c(Q)}{r(Q)} = 1.$$

*Proof.* **A)** As we have mentioned before, in order to calculate r(Q) and c(Q) we need to determine  $d(\chi)$  and  $c(\chi)(1)$  for all characters that are faithful or  $\bigcap_{\chi} \ker \chi = 1$ . Now, in this case, since the degrees of faithful characters are minimal, so we

Now, in this case, since the degrees of faithful characters are minimal, so we consider just the faithful characters and by Corollary 2.3, Lemmas 2.4, 2.5 and [9, Table III-2] for the maximal parabolic subgroup Q of  $G_2(2^n)$  we have

$$d(\chi_7(k)) = |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|\chi_7(k)(1) \ge q(q^2 - 1) \text{ and } c(\chi_7)(k)(1) \ge q^3,$$

$$d(\theta_2) = |\Gamma(\theta_2)|\theta_2(1) \ge q(q - 1)(q^2 - 1) \text{ and } c(\theta_2(1) \ge q^3(q - 1),$$

$$d(\Sigma_{l=0}^2 \theta_2(k, l)) = |\Gamma(\Sigma_{l=0}^2 \theta_2(k, l))|(\Sigma_{l=0}^2 \theta_2(k, l))(1) \ge q(q - 1)(q^2 - 1) \text{ and }$$

$$c(\Sigma_{l=0}^2 \theta_2(k, l)(1) \ge q^4(q - 1),$$

$$d(\Sigma_{x \in X} \theta_3(x)) = |\Gamma(\Sigma_{x \in X} \theta_3(x))|(\Sigma_{x \in X} \theta_3(x))(1) = q^2(q - 1)(q^2 - 1) \text{ and }$$

$$c(\Sigma_{x \in X} \theta_3(x))(1) = q^4(q - 1)$$

The values are set out in Table IV.

For the character  $\chi_7(k)$ ,  $k \in R_0$  as  $|R_0| = q - 1$ , so  $|\Gamma(\chi_7(k))| \le q - 1$ , where  $\Gamma(\chi_7(k)) = \Gamma(Q(\chi_7(k)) : Q)$ . Therefore we have

$$q(q^2 - 1) \le d(\chi_7(k)) \le q(q - 1)(q^2 - 1).$$

Now, by Table IV we have

$$\min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi = 1\} = d(\chi_7(k)) = mq(q^2 - 1)$$
 and  $\min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\} = c(\chi_7(k))(1) = mq^3$ , where  $m = |\Gamma(\chi_7(k))|$ .

Table IV

| χ                              | $d(\chi)$            | $c(\chi)(1)$    |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| $\chi_7(k)$                    | $\geq q(q^2 - 1)$    | $\geq q^3$      |
| $\chi_8(k)$                    | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2-1)$ | $\geq q^3(q-1)$ |
| $\sum_{l=0}^{2} \theta_2(k,l)$ | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2-1)$ | $\geq q^3(q-1)$ |
| $\sum_{x \in X} \theta_3(x)$   | $= q^2(q-1)(q^2-1)$  | $= q^4(q-1)$    |

For the maximal parabolic subgroup Q of  $G_2(p^n)$ ,  $p \neq 3$ , by the same method and [1, Table A.6], Table V is constructed.

Table V

| χ                                 | $d(\chi)$              | $c(\chi)(1)$      |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| $_{Q}\chi_{7}(k)$                 | $\geq q(q^2-1)$        | $\geq q^3$        |
| $\sum_{l=0}^{2} Q\theta_2(k,l)$   | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2-1)$   | $\geq q^3(q-1)$   |
| $\sum_{x \in F_q^*} Q\theta_3(x)$ | $\geq q(q-1)^2(q^2-1)$ | $\geq q^4(q-1)^2$ |
| $\sum_{x \in F_q} Q\theta_4(x)$   | $= q^2(q-1)(q^2-1)$    | $= q^4(q-1)$      |
| $Q\theta_5(k) + Q\theta_6(k)$     | $\geq q(q-1)(q^2-1)$   | $\geq q^3(q-1)$   |

For the character  $_{Q}\chi_{7}(k)$ ,  $k \in R_{0}$  as  $|R_{0}| = q - 1$ , so  $|\Gamma(_{Q}\chi_{7}(k))| \leq q - 1$ , where  $\Gamma(_{Q}\chi_{7}(k)) = \Gamma(Q(_{Q}\chi_{7}(k)):Q)$ . Therefore we have

$$q(q^2 - 1) \le d(\chi_7(k)) \le q(q - 1)(q^2 - 1).$$

Now, by Table V we have

$$\begin{split} \min\{d(\chi): \ker \chi = 1\} &= d(_Q\chi_7(k)) = mq(q^2 - 1) \qquad \text{and} \\ \min\{c(\chi)(1): \ker \chi = 1\} &= c(_Q\chi_7(k))(1) = mq^3, \qquad \text{where} \ \ m = |\Gamma(_Q\chi_7(k))|. \end{split}$$

**B.** The quasi-permutation representations of maximal parabolic subgroup Q of  $G_2(3^n)$  are constructed by the same method as in Theorem 3.1. In this case, by Table III of [8], we have

$$\ker \theta_{11} \bigcap \ker \chi_6(k) = 1.$$

This helps us to obtain

$$\min\{d(\chi) : \ker \chi = 1\} = q(q-1)(q+2)$$
 and  $\min\{c(\chi)(1) : \ker \chi = 1\} = q^2(q+1).$ 

It is obviously that also in this case  $\lim_{q\to\infty}\frac{c(Q)}{r(Q)}=1$ . Therefore the result follows.

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