

# Ambiguous Class Fusions in the GAP Character Table Library

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## Abstract

This is a collection of examples showing how class fusions between character tables can be determined using the GAP system [GAP04]. In each of these examples, the fusion is *ambiguous* in the sense that the character tables do not determine it up to table automorphisms. Our strategy is to compute first all possibilities with the GAP function `PossibleClassFusions`, and then to use either other character tables or information about the groups for excluding some of these candidates until only one (orbit under table automorphisms) remains.

The purpose of this writeup is twofold. On the one hand, the computations are documented this way. On the other hand, the GAP code shown for the examples can be used as test input for automatic checking of the data and the functions used; therefore, each example ends with a comparison of the result with the fusion that is actually stored in the GAP Character Table Library [Bre04b].

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The examples use the GAP Character Table Library, so we first load this package.

```
gap> LoadPackage( "ctbllib" );
true
```

# 1 Fusions Determined by Factorization through Intermediate Subgroups

This situation clearly occurs only for nonmaximal subgroups. Interesting examples are Sylow normalizers.

## 1.1 $Co_3N_5 \rightarrow Co_3$ (September 2002)

Let  $H$  be the Sylow 5 normalizer in the sporadic simple group  $Co_3$ . The class fusion of  $H$  into  $Co_3$  is not uniquely determined by the character tables of the two groups.

```
gap> co3:= CharacterTable( "Co3" );
CharacterTable( "Co3" )
gap> h:= CharacterTable( "Co3N5" );
CharacterTable( "5^(1+2):(24:2)" )
gap> hfusco3:= PossibleClassFusions( h, co3 );;
gap> Length( RepresentativesFusions( h, hfusco3, co3 ) );
2
```

As  $H$  is not maximal in  $Co_3$ , we look at those maximal subgroups of  $Co_3$  whose order is divisible by that of  $H$ .

```
gap> mx:= Maxes( co3 );
[ "McL.2", "HS", "U4(3).(2^2)_{133}", "M23", "3^5:(2xm11)", "2.S6(2)",
  "U3(5).3.2", "3^1+4:4s6", "2^4.a8", "psl(3,4):d12", "2xm12",
  "2^2.(2^7.3^2).s3", "s3xpsl(2,8).3", "a4xs5" ]
gap> maxes:= List( mx, CharacterTable );;
gap> filt:= Filtered( maxes, x -> Size( x ) mod Size( h ) = 0 );
[ CharacterTable( "McL.2" ), CharacterTable( "HS" ),
  CharacterTable( "U3(5).3.2" ) ]
```

According to the ATLAS (see [CCN<sup>+</sup>85, pp. 34 and 100]),  $H$  occurs as the Sylow 5 normalizer in  $U_3(5).3.2$  and in  $McL.2$ ; however,  $H$  is not a subgroup of  $HS$ , since otherwise  $H$  would be contained in subgroups of type  $U_3(5).2$  (see [CCN<sup>+</sup>85, p. 80]), but the only possible subgroups in these groups are too small (see [CCN<sup>+</sup>85, p. 34]).

We compute the possible class fusions from  $H$  into  $McL.2$  and from  $McL.2$  to  $Co_3$ , and then form the compositions of these maps.

```

gap> max:= filt[1];;
gap> hfusmax:= PossibleClassFusions( h, max );;
gap> maxfusco3:= PossibleClassFusions( max, co3 );;
gap> comp:= [];;
gap> for map1 in maxfusco3 do
>   for map2 in hfusmax do
>     AddSet( comp, CompositionMaps( map1, map2 ) );
>   od;
> od;
gap> Length( comp );
2
gap> reps:= RepresentativesFusions( h, comp, co3 );
[ [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 8, 7, 9, 10, 11, 17, 17, 19, 19, 22, 23, 27, 27, 30, 33,
34, 40, 40, 40, 40, 42 ] ]

```

So factoring through a maximal subgroup of type  $McL.2$  determines the fusion from  $H$  to  $C_{03}$  uniquely up to table automorphisms.

Alternatively, we can use the group  $U_3(5).3.2$  as intermediate subgroup, which leads to the same result.

```

gap> max:= filt[3];;
gap> hfusmax:= PossibleClassFusions( h, max );;
gap> maxfusco3:= PossibleClassFusions( max, co3 );;
gap> comp:= [];;
gap> for map1 in maxfusco3 do
>   for map2 in hfusmax do
>     AddSet( comp, CompositionMaps( map1, map2 ) );
>   od;
> od;
gap> reps2:= RepresentativesFusions( h, comp, co3 );;
gap> reps2 = reps;
true

```

Finally, we compare the result with the map that is stored on the library table of  $H$ .

```

gap> GetFusionMap( h, co3 ) in reps;
true

```

## 1.2 $31 : 15 \rightarrow B$ (March 2003)

The Sylow 31 normalizer  $H$  in the sporadic simple group  $B$  has the structure  $31 : 15$ .

```

gap> b:= CharacterTable( "B" );;
gap> h:= CharacterTable( "31:15" );;
gap> hfusb:= PossibleClassFusions( h, b );;
gap> Length( RepresentativesFusions( h, hfusb, b ) );
2

```

We determine the correct fusion using the fact that  $H$  is contained in a (maximal) subgroup of type  $Th$  in  $B$ .

```

gap> th:= CharacterTable( "Th" );;
gap> hfusth:= PossibleClassFusions( h, th );;
gap> thfusb:= PossibleClassFusions( th, b );;

```

```

gap> comp:= [];
gap> for map1 in hfusth do
>   for map2 in thfusb do
>     AddSet( comp, CompositionMaps( map2, map1 ) );
>   od;
> od;
gap> Length( comp );
2
gap> reps:= RepresentativesFusions( h, comp, b );
[ [ 1, 145, 146, 82, 82, 19, 82, 7, 19, 82, 82, 19, 7, 82, 19, 82, 82 ] ]
gap> GetFusionMap( h, b ) in reps;
true

```

### 1.3 $SuzN3 \rightarrow Suz$ (September 2002)

The class fusion from the Sylow 3 normalizer into the sporadic simple group  $Suz$  is not uniquely determined by the character tables of these groups.

```

gap> h:= CharacterTable( "SuzN3" );
CharacterTable( "3^5:(3^2:SD16)" )
gap> suz:= CharacterTable( "Suz" );
CharacterTable( "Suz" )
gap> hfussuz:= PossibleClassFusions( h, suz );;
gap> Length( RepresentativesFusions( h, hfussuz, suz ) );
2

```

Since  $H$  is not maximal in  $Suz$ , we try to factorize the fusion through a suitable maximal subgroup.

```

gap> maxes:= List( Maxes( suz ), CharacterTable );;
gap> filt:= Filtered( maxes, x -> Size( x ) mod Size( h ) = 0 );
[ CharacterTable( "3_2.U4(3).2_3'" ), CharacterTable( "3^5:M11" ),
  CharacterTable( "3^2+4:2(2^2xa4)2" ) ]

```

The group  $3_2.U_4(3).2_3'$  does not admit a fusion from  $H$ .

```

gap> PossibleClassFusions( h, filt[1] );
[ ]

```

Definitely  $3^5 : M_{11}$  contains a group isomorphic with  $H$ , because the Sylow 3 normalizer in  $M_{11}$  has the structure  $3^2 : SD_{16}$ ; using  $3^{2+4} : 2(2^2 \times A_4)2$  would lead to the same result as we get below. We compute the compositions of possible class fusions.

```

gap> max:= filt[2];;
gap> hfusmax:= PossibleClassFusions( h, max );;
gap> maxfussuz:= PossibleClassFusions( max, suz );;
gap> comp:= [];;
gap> for map1 in hfusmax do
>   for map2 in maxfussuz do
>     AddSet( comp, CompositionMaps( map2, map1 ) );
>   od;
> od;
gap> repr:= RepresentativesFusions( h, comp, suz );
[ [ 1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 6, 9, 9, 14, 15, 13, 16, 16, 14, 15, 13,
  13, 13, 16, 15, 14, 16, 16, 16, 21, 21, 23, 22, 29, 29, 29, 38, 39 ] ]

```

So the factorization determines the fusion map up to table automorphisms. We check that this map is equal to the stored one.

```
gap> GetFusionMap( h, suz ) in repr;
true
```

#### 1.4 $F_{3+}N5 \rightarrow F_{3+}$ (March 2002)

The class fusion from the table of the Sylow 5 normalizer  $H$  in the sporadic simple group  $F_{3+}$  into  $F_{3+}$  is ambiguous.

```
gap> f3p:= CharacterTable( "F3+" );;
gap> h:= CharacterTable( "F3+N5" );;
gap> hfusf3p:= PossibleClassFusions( h, f3p );;
gap> Length( RepresentativesFusions( h, hfusf3p, f3p ) );
2
```

$H$  is not maximal in  $F_{3+}$ , so we look for tables of maximal subgroups that can contain  $H$ .

```
gap> maxes:= List( Maxes( f3p ), CharacterTable );;
gap> filt:= Filtered( maxes, x -> Size( x ) mod Size( h ) = 0 );
[ CharacterTable( "Fi23" ), CharacterTable( "2.Fi22.2" ),
  CharacterTable( "(3x08+(3):3):2" ), CharacterTable( "010-(2)" ),
  CharacterTable( "(A4x08+(2).3).2" ), CharacterTable( "He.2" ),
  CharacterTable( "F3+M14" ), CharacterTable( "(A5xA9):2" ) ]
gap> possfus:= List( filt, x -> PossibleClassFusions( h, x ) );
[ [ ], [ ], [ ], [ ],
  [ [ 1, 69, 110, 12, 80, 121, 4, 72, 113, 11, 11, 79, 79, 120, 120, 3, 71,
    11, 79, 23, 91, 112, 120, 132, 29, 32, 97, 100, 37, 37, 105, 105,
    139, 140, 145, 146, 155, 155, 156, 156, 44, 44, 167, 167, 48, 48,
    171, 171, 57, 57, 180, 180, 66, 66, 189, 189 ],
  [ 1, 69, 110, 12, 80, 121, 4, 72, 113, 11, 11, 79, 79, 120, 120, 3, 71,
    11, 79, 23, 91, 112, 120, 132, 29, 32, 97, 100, 37, 37, 105, 105,
    140, 139, 146, 145, 156, 156, 155, 155, 44, 44, 167, 167, 48, 48,
    171, 171, 57, 57, 180, 180, 66, 66, 189, 189 ] ], [ ], [ ], [ ] ]
```

We see that from the eight possible classes of maximal subgroups in  $F_{3+}$  that might contain  $H$ , only the group of type  $(A_4 \times O_8^+(2).3).2$  admits a class fusion from  $H$ . Hence we can compute the compositions of the possible fusions from  $H$  into this group with the possible fusions from this group into  $F_{3+}$ .

```
gap> max:= filt[5];
CharacterTable( "(A4x08+(2).3).2" )
gap> hfusmax:= possfus[5];;
gap> maxfusf3p:= PossibleClassFusions( max, f3p );;
gap> comp:= [];;
gap> for map1 in maxfusf3p do
>   for map2 in hfusmax do
>     AddSet( comp, CompositionMaps( map1, map2 ) );
>   od;
> od;
gap> Length( comp );
2
gap> repr:= RepresentativesFusions( h, comp, f3p );
```

```
[ [ 1, 2, 4, 12, 35, 54, 3, 3, 16, 9, 9, 11, 11, 40, 40, 2, 3, 9, 11, 35, 36,
    13, 40, 90, 7, 22, 19, 20, 43, 43, 50, 50, 8, 8, 23, 23, 46, 46, 47,
    47, 10, 10, 9, 9, 10, 10, 11, 11, 26, 26, 28, 28, 67, 67, 68, 68 ] ]
```

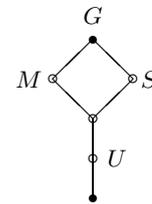
Finally, we check whether the map stored in the table library is correct.

```
gap> GetFusionMap( h, f3p ) in repr;
true
```

Note that we did **not** determine the class fusion from the maximal subgroup  $(A_4 \times O_8^+(2).3).2$  into  $F_{3+}$  up to table automorphisms (see Section 2.1 for this problem), since also the ambiguous result was enough for computing the fusion from  $H$  into  $F_{3+}$ .

## 2 Fusions Determined by Commutative Diagrams Using Smaller Subgroups

In each of the following examples, the class fusion of a maximal subgroup  $M$  of a group  $G$  is determined by considering a proper subgroup  $U$  of  $M$  whose class fusion into  $G$  can be computed, perhaps using another subgroup  $S$  of  $G$  that also contains  $U$ .



### 2.1 $(A_4 \times O_8^+(2).3).2 \rightarrow Fi'_{24}$ (November 2002)

The class fusion of the maximal subgroup  $M \cong (A_4 \times O_8^+(2).3).2$  of  $G = Fi'_{24}$  is ambiguous.

```
gap> m:= CharacterTable( "(A4xO8+(2).3).2" );;
gap> t:= CharacterTable( "F3+" );;
gap> mfust:= PossibleClassFusions( m, t );;
gap> repr:= RepresentativesFusions( m, mfust, t );;
gap> Length( repr );
2
```

We first observe that the elements of order three in the normal subgroup of type  $A_4$  in  $M$  lie in the class 3A of  $Fi'_{24}$ .

```
gap> a4inm:= Filtered( ClassPositionsOfNormalSubgroups( m ),
> n -> Sum( SizesConjugacyClasses( m ){ n } ) = 12 );
[ [ 1, 69, 110 ] ]
gap> OrdersClassRepresentatives( m ){ a4inm[1] };
[ 1, 2, 3 ]
gap> List( repr, map -> map[110] );
[ 4, 4 ]
gap> OrdersClassRepresentatives( t ){ [ 1 .. 4 ] };
[ 1, 2, 2, 3 ]
```

Let us take one such element  $g$ , say. Its normalizer  $S$  in  $G$  has the structure  $(3 \times O_8^+(3).3).2$ ; this group is maximal in  $G$ , and its character table is available in GAP.

```
gap> s:= CharacterTable( "F3+N3A" );
CharacterTable( "(3xO8+(3):3):2" )
```

The intersection  $N_M(g) = S \cap M$  contains a subgroup  $U$  of the type  $3 \times O_8^+(2).3$ , and in the following we compute the class fusions of  $U$  into  $S$  and  $M$ , and then utilize the fact that only those class fusions from  $M$  into  $G$  are possible whose composition with the class fusion from  $U$  into  $M$  equals a composition of class fusions from  $U$  into  $S$  and from  $S$  into  $G$ .

```

gap> u:= CharacterTable( "Cyclic", 3 ) * CharacterTable( "08+(2).3" );
CharacterTable( "C3x08+(2).3" )
gap> ufuss:= PossibleClassFusions( u, s );;
gap> ufum:= PossibleClassFusions( u, m );;
gap> sfust:= PossibleClassFusions( s, t );;
gap> comp:= [];;
gap> for map1 in ufuss do
>   for map2 in sfust do
>     AddSet( comp, CompositionMaps( map2, map1 ) );
>   od;
> od;
gap> Length( comp );
6
gap> filt:= Filtered( mfust,
>   x -> ForAny( ufum, map -> CompositionMaps( x, map ) in comp ) );;
gap> repr:= RepresentativesFusions( m, filt, t );;
gap> Length( repr );
1
gap> GetFusionMap( m, t ) in repr;
true

```

So the class fusion from  $M$  into  $G$  is determined up to table automorphisms by the commutative diagram.

## 2.2 $A_6 \times L_2(8).3 \rightarrow Fi'_{24}$ (November 2002)

The class fusion of the maximal subgroup  $M \cong A_6 \times L_2(8).3$  of  $G = Fi'_{24}$  is ambiguous.

```

gap> m:= CharacterTable( "A6xL2(8):3" );;
gap> t:= CharacterTable( "F3+" );;
gap> mfust:= PossibleClassFusions( m, t );;
gap> Length( RepresentativesFusions( m, mfust, t ) );
2

```

We will use the fact that the direct factor of the type  $A_6$  in  $M$  contains elements in the class 3A of  $G$ . This fact can be shown as follows.

```

gap> dppos:= ClassPositionsOfDirectProductDecompositions( m );
[ [ [ 1, 12 .. 67 ], [ 1 .. 11 ] ] ]
gap> List( dppos[1], 1 -> Sum( SizesConjugacyClasses( t ){ 1 } ) );
[ 17733424133316996808705, 4545066196775803392 ]
gap> List( dppos[1], 1 -> Sum( SizesConjugacyClasses( m ){ 1 } ) );
[ 360, 1512 ]
gap> 3Apos:= Position( OrdersClassRepresentatives( t ), 3 );
4
gap> 3Ainm:= List( mfust, map -> Position( map, 3Apos ) );
[ 23, 23, 23, 23, 34, 34, 34, 34 ]
gap> ForAll( 3Ainm, x -> x in dppos[1][1] );
true

```

Since the normalizer of an element of order three in  $A_6$  has the form  $3^2 : 2$ , such a 3A element in  $M$  contains a subgroup  $U$  of the structure  $3^2 : 2 \times L_2(8).3$  which is contained in the 3A normalizer  $S$  in  $G$ , which has the structure  $(3 \times O_8^+(3).3).2$ .

(Note that all classes in the  $3^2 : 2$  type group are rational, and its character table is available in the GAP Character Table Library with the identifier "3<sup>2</sup>:2".)

```

gap> u:= CharacterTable( "3^2:2" ) * CharacterTable( "L2(8).3" );
CharacterTable( "3^2:2xL2(8).3" )
gap> s:= CharacterTable( "F3+N3A" );
CharacterTable( "(3xO8+(3):3):2" )
gap> ufuss:= PossibleClassFusions( u, s );;
gap> comp:= [];;
gap> for map1 in sfust do
>   for map2 in ufuss do
>     AddSet( comp, CompositionMaps( map1, map2 ) );
>   od;
> od;
gap> ufusm:= PossibleClassFusions( u, m );;
gap> filt:= Filtered( mfust,
>   map -> ForAny( ufusm,
>     map2 -> CompositionMaps( map, map2 ) in comp ) );;
gap> repr:= RepresentativesFusions( m, filt, t );;
gap> Length( repr );
1
gap> GetFusionMap( m, t ) in repr;
true

```

### 3 Conditions Imposed by Brauer Tables

The examples in this section show that symmetries can be broken as soon as the class fusions between two ordinary tables shall be compatible with the corresponding Brauer character tables. More precisely, we assume that the class fusion from each Brauer table to its ordinary table is already fixed; choosing these fusions consistently can be a nontrivial task, solving so-called “generality problems” may require the construction of certain modules, similar to the arguments used in 3.2 below.

#### 3.1 $L_2(16).4 \rightarrow J_3.2$

It can happen that Brauer tables decide ambiguities of class fusions between the corresponding ordinary tables. An easy example is the class fusion of  $L_2(16).4$  into  $J_3.2$ . The ordinary tables admit four possible class fusions, of which two are essentially different.

```

gap> s:= CharacterTable( "L2(16).4" );;
gap> t:= CharacterTable( "J3.2" );;
gap> fus:= PossibleClassFusions( s, t );
[ [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 15, 16, 2, 5, 7, 12, 5, 5, 8, 8, 13, 13 ],
  [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 15, 16, 2, 5, 7, 12, 19, 19, 22, 22, 23, 23 ],
  [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 16, 15, 2, 5, 7, 12, 5, 5, 8, 8, 13, 13 ],
  [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 16, 15, 2, 5, 7, 12, 19, 19, 22, 22, 23, 23 ] ]
gap> RepresentativesFusions( s, fus, t );
[ [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 15, 16, 2, 5, 7, 12, 5, 5, 8, 8, 13, 13 ],
  [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 15, 16, 2, 5, 7, 12, 19, 19, 22, 22, 23, 23 ] ]

```

Using Brauer tables, we will see that just one fusion is admissible.

We can exclude two possible fusions by the fact that their images all lie inside the normal subgroup  $J_3$ , but  $J_3$  does not contain a subgroup of type  $L_2(16).4$ ; so still one orbit of length two remains.

```
gap> j3:= CharacterTable( "J3" );;
gap> PossibleClassFusions( s, j3 );
[ ]
gap> GetFusionMap( j3, t );
[ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 12, 13, 14, 14, 15, 16, 17, 17 ]
gap> filt:= Filtered( fus,
>   x -> not IsSubset( ClassPositionsOfDerivedSubgroup( t ), x ) );
[ [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 15, 16, 2, 5, 7, 12, 19, 19, 22, 22, 23, 23 ],
  [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 16, 15, 2, 5, 7, 12, 19, 19, 22, 22, 23, 23 ] ]
```

Now the remaining wrong fusion is excluded by the fact that the table automorphism of  $J_3.2$  that swaps the two classes of element order 17 –which swaps two of the possible class fusions– does not live in the 2-modular table.

```
gap> smod2:= s mod 2;;
gap> tmod2:= t mod 2;;
gap> admissible:= [];;
gap> for map in filt do
>   modmap:= CompositionMaps( InverseMap( GetFusionMap( tmod2, t ) ),
>   CompositionMaps( map, GetFusionMap( smod2, s ) ) );
>   if not fail in Decomposition( Irr( smod2 ),
>   List( Irr( tmod2 ), chi -> chi{ modmap } ), "nonnegative" ) then
>     AddSet( admissible, map );
>   fi;
> od;
gap> admissible;
[ [ 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, 16, 15, 2, 5, 7, 12, 19, 19, 22, 22, 23, 23 ] ]
```

The test of all available Brauer tables is implemented in the function `CTblLibTestDecompositions` of the GAP Character Table Library ([Bre04b]).

```
gap> CTblLibTestDecompositions( s, fus, t ) = admissible;
true
```

We see that  $p$ -modular tables alone determine the class fusion uniquely; in fact the primes 2 and 3 suffice for that.

```
gap> GetFusionMap( s, t ) in admissible;
true
```

### 3.2 $L_2(19) \rightarrow J_3$ (April 2003)

It can happen that Brauer tables impose conditions such that ambiguities arise which are not visible if one considers only ordinary tables.

The class fusion between the ordinary character tables of  $L_2(19)$  and  $J_3$  is unique up to table automorphisms.

```
gap> s:= CharacterTable( "L2(19)" );;
gap> t:= CharacterTable( "J3" );;
gap> sfust:= PossibleClassFusions( s, t );
```

```

[ [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 21, 20 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 10, 13, 14, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 10, 13, 14, 21, 20 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 10, 11, 13, 14, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 10, 11, 13, 14, 21, 20 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 10, 11, 12, 14, 13, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 10, 11, 12, 14, 13, 21, 20 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 11, 12, 10, 14, 13, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 11, 12, 10, 14, 13, 21, 20 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 12, 10, 11, 14, 13, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 12, 10, 11, 14, 13, 21, 20 ] ]
gap> fusreps:= RepresentativesFusions( s, sfust, t );
[ [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21 ] ]

```

The Galois automorphism that permutes the three classes of element order 9 in the tables of ( $L_2(19)$  and)  $J_3$  does not live in characteristic 19. For example, the unique irreducible Brauer character of degree 110 in the 19-modular table of  $J_3$  is  $\varphi_3$ , and the value of this character on the class 9A is  $-1+2y_9+4$ .

```

gap> tmod19:= t mod 19;
BrauerTable( "J3", 19 )
gap> deg110:= Filtered( Irr( tmod19 ), phi -> phi[1] = 110 );
[ Character( BrauerTable( "J3", 19 ), [ 110, -2, 5, 2, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0,
  -2*E(9)^2+E(9)^3-E(9)^4-E(9)^5+E(9)^6-2*E(9)^7,
  E(9)^2+E(9)^3-E(9)^4-E(9)^5+E(9)^6+E(9)^7,
  E(9)^2+E(9)^3+2*E(9)^4+2*E(9)^5+E(9)^6+E(9)^7, -2, -2, -1, 0, 0,
  E(17)+E(17)^2+E(17)^4+E(17)^8+E(17)^9+E(17)^13+E(17)^15+E(17)^16,
  E(17)^3+E(17)^5+E(17)^6+E(17)^7+E(17)^10+E(17)^11+E(17)^12+E(17)^14 ] )
]
gap> 9A:= Position( OrdersClassRepresentatives( tmod19 ), 9 );
10
gap> deg110[1][ 9A ];
-2*E(9)^2+E(9)^3-E(9)^4-E(9)^5+E(9)^6-2*E(9)^7
gap> AtlasIrrationality( "-1+2y9+4" ) = deg110[1][ 9A ];
true

```

It turns out that four of the twelve possible class fusions are not compatible with the 19-modular tables.

```

gap> smod19:= s mod 19;
BrauerTable( "L2(19)", 19 )
gap> compatible:= [];
gap> for map in sfust do
>   comp:= CompositionMaps( InverseMap( GetFusionMap( tmod19, t ) ),
>   CompositionMaps( map, GetFusionMap( smod19, s ) ) );
>   rest:= List( Irr( tmod19 ), phi -> phi{ comp } );
>   if not fail in Decomposition( Irr( smod19 ), rest, "nonnegative" ) then
>     Add( compatible, map );
>   fi;
> od;
gap> compatible;
[ [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 10, 13, 14, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 10, 13, 14, 21, 20 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 10, 11, 13, 14, 20, 21 ],

```

```

[ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 10, 11, 13, 14, 21, 20 ],
[ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 11, 12, 10, 14, 13, 20, 21 ],
[ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 11, 12, 10, 14, 13, 21, 20 ],
[ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 12, 10, 11, 14, 13, 20, 21 ],
[ 1, 2, 4, 7, 6, 12, 10, 11, 14, 13, 21, 20 ] ]

```

Moreover, the subgroups of those table automorphisms of the ordinary tables that leave the set of compatible fusions invariant make two orbits on this set. Indeed, the two orbits belong to essentially different decompositions of the restriction of  $\varphi_3$ .

```

gap> reps:= RepresentativesFusions( s, compatible, t );
[ [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 10, 13, 14, 20, 21 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 10, 11, 13, 14, 20, 21 ] ]
gap> compatiblemod19:= List( reps, map -> CompositionMaps(
>      InverseMap( GetFusionMap( tmod19, t ) ),
>      CompositionMaps( map, GetFusionMap( smod19, s ) ) ) );
[ [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 10, 13, 14 ],
  [ 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 10, 11, 13, 14 ] ]
gap> rest:= List( compatiblemod19, map -> Irr( tmod19 )[3]{ map } );
gap> dec:= Decomposition( Irr( smod19 ), rest, "nonnegative" );
[ [ 0, 0, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 0, 1 ], [ 0, 2, 0, 2, 0, 1, 2, 0, 2, 1 ] ]
gap> List( Irr( smod19 ), phi -> phi[1] );
[ 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19 ]

```

In order to decide which class fusion is correct, we take the matrix representation of  $J_3$  that affords  $\varphi_3$ , restrict it to  $L_2(19)$ , which is the second maximal subgroup of  $J_3$ , and compute the composition factors. For that, we use a representation from the ATLAS of Group Representations [Wil], and access it via the GAP package AtlasRep ([Bre04a]).

```

gap> LoadPackage( "atlasrep" );
true
gap> prog:= AtlasStraightLineProgram( "J3", "maxes", 2 );
rec( program := <straight line program>, standardization := 1,
  identifier := [ "J3", "J3G1-max2W1", 1 ] )
gap> gens:= OneAtlasGeneratingSet( "J3", Characteristic, 19, Dimension, 110 );
rec( generators := [ <immutable compressed matrix 110x110 over GF(19)>,
  <immutable compressed matrix 110x110 over GF(19)> ],
  standardization := 1,
  identifier := [ "J3", [ "J3G1-f19r110B0.m1", "J3G1-f19r110B0.m2" ], 1, 19 ]
)
gap> restgens:= ResultOfStraightLineProgram( prog.program, gens.generators );
[ <immutable compressed matrix 110x110 over GF(19)>,
  <immutable compressed matrix 110x110 over GF(19)> ]
gap> module:= GModuleByMats( restgens, GF( 19 ) );
gap> facts:= SMTX.CollectedExceptions( module );
gap> Length( facts );
7
gap> List( facts, x -> x[1].dimension );
[ 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 19 ]
gap> List( facts, x -> x[2] );
[ 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1 ]

```

This means that there are seven pairwise nonisomorphic composition factors, the smallest one of dimension five. In other words, the first of the two maps is the correct one. Let us check whether this map equals the one that is stored on the library table.

```
gap> GetFusionMap( s, t ) = reps[1];
true
```

## 4 Fusions Determined by Information about the Groups

In the examples in this section, character theoretic arguments do not suffice for determining the class fusions. So we use computations with the groups in question or information about these groups beyond the character table, and perhaps additionally character theoretic arguments.

The group representations are taken from the ATLAS of Group Representations [Wil] and are accessed via the GAP package AtlasRep ([Bre04a]).

```
gap> LoadPackage( "atlasrep" );
true
```

### 4.1 $U_3(3).2 \rightarrow Fi'_{24}$ (November 2002)

The group  $G = Fi'_{24}$  contains a maximal subgroup  $H$  of type  $U_3(3).2$ . From the character tables of  $G$  and  $H$ , one gets a lot of essentially different possibilities (and additionally this takes quite some time). We use the description of  $H$  as the normalizer in  $G$  of a  $U_3(3)$  type subgroup containing elements in the classes 2B, 3D, 3E, 4C, 4C, 6J, 7B, 8C, and 12M (see [BN95]).

```
gap> t:= CharacterTable( "F3+" );
CharacterTable( "F3+" )
gap> s:= CharacterTable( "U3(3).2" );
CharacterTable( "U3(3).2" )
gap> tnames:= ClassNames( t, "ATLAS" );
[ "1A", "2A", "2B", "3A", "3B", "3C", "3D", "3E", "4A", "4B", "4C", "5A",
  "6A", "6B", "6C", "6D", "6E", "6F", "6G", "6H", "6I", "6J", "6K", "7A",
  "7B", "8A", "8B", "8C", "9A", "9B", "9C", "9D", "9E", "9F", "10A", "10B",
  "11A", "12A", "12B", "12C", "12D", "12E", "12F", "12G", "12H", "12I",
  "12J", "12K", "12L", "12M", "13A", "14A", "14B", "15A", "15B", "15C",
  "16A", "17A", "18A", "18B", "18C", "18D", "18E", "18F", "18G", "18H",
  "20A", "20B", "21A", "21B", "21C", "21D", "22A", "23A", "23B", "24A",
  "24B", "24C", "24D", "24E", "24F", "24G", "26A", "27A", "27B", "27C",
  "28A", "29A", "29B", "30A", "30B", "33A", "33B", "35A", "36A", "36B",
  "36C", "36D", "39A", "39B", "39C", "39D", "42A", "42B", "42C", "45A",
  "45B", "60A" ]
gap> OrdersClassRepresentatives( s );
[ 1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 6, 7, 8, 12, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, 12 ]
gap> sfust:= List( [ "1A", "2B", "3D", "3E", "4C", "4C", "6J", "7B", "8C",
  > "12M" ], x -> Position( tnames, x ) );
[ 1, 3, 7, 8, 11, 11, 22, 25, 28, 50 ]
gap> sfust:= PossibleClassFusions( s, t, rec( fusionmap:= sfust ) );
[ [ 1, 3, 7, 8, 11, 11, 22, 25, 28, 50, 3, 9, 23, 28, 43, 43 ],
  [ 1, 3, 7, 8, 11, 11, 22, 25, 28, 50, 3, 11, 23, 28, 50, 50 ] ]
gap> OrdersClassRepresentatives( s );
[ 1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 6, 7, 8, 12, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, 12 ]
```

So we still have two possibilities, which differ on the outer classes of element order 4 and 12.

Our idea is to take a subgroup  $U$  of  $H$  that contains such elements, and to compute the possible class fusions of  $U$  into  $G$ , via the factorization through a suitable maximal subgroup  $M$  of  $G$ .

We take  $U = N_H(\langle g \rangle)$  where  $g$  is an element in the first class of order three elements of  $H$ ; this is a maximal subgroup of  $H$ , of order 216.

```

gap> Maxes( s );
[ "U3(3)", "3^(1+2):SD16", "L3(2).2", "2^(1+4).S3", "4^2:D12" ]
gap> SizesCentralizers( s );
[ 12096, 192, 216, 18, 96, 32, 24, 7, 8, 12, 48, 48, 6, 8, 12, 12 ]
gap> u:= CharacterTable( Maxes( s )[2] );
gap> ufuss:= GetFusionMap( u, s );
[ 1, 2, 11, 3, 4, 5, 12, 7, 13, 9, 9, 15, 16, 10 ]

```

Candidates for  $M$  are those subgroups of  $G$  that contain elements in the class 3D of  $G$  whose centralizer is the full 3D centralizer in  $G$ .

```

gap> 3Dcentralizer:= SizesCentralizers( t )[7];
153055008
gap> cand:= [];
gap> for name in Maxes( t ) do
>   m:= CharacterTable( name );
>   mfust:= GetFusionMap( m, t );
>   if ForAny( [ 1 .. Length( mfust ) ],
>     i -> mfust[i] = 7 and SizesCentralizers( m )[i] = 3Dcentralizer )
>   then
>     Add( cand, m );
>   fi;
> od;
gap> cand;
[ CharacterTable( "3^7.07(3)" ), CharacterTable( "3^2.3^4.3^8.(A5x2A4).2" ) ]

```

For these two groups  $M$ , we show that the possible class fusions from  $U$  to  $G$  via  $M$  factorize through  $H$  only if the second possible class fusion from  $H$  to  $G$  is chosen.

```

gap> possufust:= List( sfust, x -> CompositionMaps( x, ufuss ) );
[ [ 1, 3, 3, 7, 8, 11, 9, 22, 23, 28, 28, 43, 43, 50 ],
  [ 1, 3, 3, 7, 8, 11, 11, 22, 23, 28, 28, 50, 50, 50 ] ]
gap> m:= cand[1];
gap> ufusm:= PossibleClassFusions( u, m );
gap> Length( ufusm );
242
gap> comp:= List( ufusm, x -> CompositionMaps( GetFusionMap( m, t ), x ) );
gap> Intersection( possufust, comp );
[ [ 1, 3, 3, 7, 8, 11, 11, 22, 23, 28, 28, 50, 50, 50 ] ]
gap> m:= cand[2];
gap> ufusm:= PossibleClassFusions( u, m );
gap> Length( ufusm );
256
gap> comp:= List( ufusm, x -> CompositionMaps( GetFusionMap( m, t ), x ) );
gap> Intersection( possufust, comp );
[ [ 1, 3, 3, 7, 8, 11, 11, 22, 23, 28, 28, 50, 50, 50 ] ]

```

Finally, we check that the correct fusion is stored in the GAP Character Table Library.

```

gap> GetFusionMap( s, t ) = sfust[2];
true

```

## 4.2 $L_2(13).2 \rightarrow Fi'_{24}$ (September 2002)

The class fusion of maximal subgroups  $U$  of type  $L_2(13).2$  in  $G = Fi'_{24}$  is ambiguous.

```

gap> t:= CharacterTable( "F3+" );;
gap> u:= CharacterTable( "L2(13).2" );;
gap> fus:= PossibleClassFusions( u, t );;
gap> repr:= RepresentativesFusions( u, fus, t );;
gap> Length( repr );
3

```

In [LW91, p. 155], it is stated that  $U'$  contains elements in the classes 2B, 3D, and 7B of  $G$ . (Note that the two conjugacy classes of groups isomorphic to  $U$  have the same class fusion because the outer automorphism of  $G$  fixes the relevant classes.)

```

gap> filt:= Filtered( repr, x -> t.2b in x and t.3d in x and t.7b in x );
[ [ 1, 3, 7, 22, 25, 25, 25, 51, 3, 9, 43, 43, 53, 53, 53 ],
  [ 1, 3, 7, 22, 25, 25, 25, 51, 3, 11, 50, 50, 53, 53, 53 ] ]
gap> ClassNames( t ){ [ 43, 50 ] };
[ "12f", "12m" ]

```

So we have to decide whether  $U$  contains elements in the class 12F or in 12M of  $G$ .

The order 12 elements in question lie inside subgroups of type  $13 : 12$  in  $U$ . These subgroups are clearly contained in the Sylow 13 normalizers of  $G$ , which are contained in maximal subgroups of type  $(3^2 : 2 \times G_2(3)).2$  in  $G$ ; the class fusion of the latter groups is unique up to table automorphisms.

```

gap> pos:= Position( OrdersClassRepresentatives( t ), 13 );
51
gap> SizesCentralizers( t )[ pos ];
234
gap> ClassOrbit( t, pos );
[ 51 ]
gap> cand:= [];;
gap> for name in Maxes( t ) do
>   m:= CharacterTable( name );
>   pos:= Position( OrdersClassRepresentatives( m ), 13 );
>   if pos <> fail and
>     SizesCentralizers( m )[ pos ] = 234
>     and ClassOrbit( m, pos ) = [ pos ] then
>     Add( cand, m );
>   fi;
> od;
gap> cand;
[ CharacterTable( "(3^2:2xG2(3)).2" ) ]
gap> s:= cand[1];;
gap> sfust:= PossibleClassFusions( s, t );;

```

As no  $13 : 12$  type subgroup is contained in the derived subgroup of  $(3^2 : 2 \times G_2(3)).2$ , we look at the elements of order 12 in the outer half.

```

gap> der:= ClassPositionsOfDerivedSubgroup( s );;
gap> outer:= Difference( [ 1 .. NrConjugacyClasses( s ) ], der );;
gap> sfust:= PossibleClassFusions( s, t );;
gap> imgs:= Set( Flat( List( sfust, x -> x{ outer } ) ) );
[ 2, 3, 10, 11, 15, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 26, 44, 45, 49, 50, 52, 62, 83, 87,
  98 ]
gap> t.12f in imgs;
false
gap> t.12m in imgs;
true

```

So  $L_2(13).2 \setminus L_2(13)$  does not contain 12F elements of  $G$ , i. e., we have determined the class fusion of  $U$  in  $G$ .

Finally, we check whether the correct fusion is stored in the GAP Character Table Library.

```
gap> GetFusionMap( u, t ) = filt[2];
true
```

### 4.3 $L_2(17).2 \rightarrow B$ (March 2004)

The sporadic simple group  $B$  contains a maximal subgroup  $U$  of the type  $L_2(17).2$  whose class fusion is ambiguous.

```
gap> b:= CharacterTable( "B" );;
gap> u:= CharacterTable( "L2(17).2" );;
gap> ufusb:= PossibleClassFusions( u, b );
[ [ 1, 5, 7, 15, 42, 42, 47, 47, 47, 91, 4, 30, 89, 89, 89, 89, 97, 97, 97 ],
  [ 1, 5, 7, 15, 44, 44, 46, 46, 46, 91, 5, 29, 90, 90, 90, 90, 96, 96, 96 ],
  [ 1, 5, 7, 15, 44, 44, 47, 47, 47, 91, 5, 29, 90, 90, 90, 90, 95, 95, 95 ] ]
```

According to [Wil99, Prop. 11.1],  $U$  contains elements in the classes 8M and 9A of  $B$ . This determines the fusion map.

```
gap> names:= ClassNames( b, "ATLAS" );;
gap> pos:= List( [ "8M", "9A" ], x -> Position( names, x ) );
[ 44, 46 ]
gap> ufusb:= Filtered( ufusb, map -> IsSubset( map, pos ) );
[ [ 1, 5, 7, 15, 44, 44, 46, 46, 46, 91, 5, 29, 90, 90, 90, 90, 96, 96, 96 ] ]
```

We check that this map is stored on the library table.

```
gap> GetFusionMap( u, b ) = ufusb[1];
true
```

### 4.4 $2^3.L_3(2) \rightarrow G_2(5)$

The Chevalley group  $G = G_2(5)$  contains a maximal subgroup  $U$  of the type  $2^3.L_3(2)$  whose class fusion is ambiguous.

```
gap> t:= CharacterTable( "G2(5)" );;
gap> s:= CharacterTable( "2^3.L3(2)" );;
gap> sfust:= PossibleClassFusions( s, t );;
gap> RepresentativesFusions( s, sfust, t );
[ [ 1, 2, 2, 5, 6, 4, 13, 16, 17, 15, 15 ],
  [ 1, 2, 2, 5, 6, 4, 14, 16, 17, 15, 15 ] ]
```

So the question is whether  $U$  contains elements in the class 6B or 6C of  $G$  (position 13 or 14 in the ATLAS table). We use a permutation representation of  $G$ , restrict it to  $U$ , and compute the centralizer in  $G$  of an element of order 6 in  $U$ .

```
gap> gens:= OneAtlasGeneratingSet( "G2(5)" );;
gap> g:= Group( gens.generators );;
gap> prg:= AtlasStraightLineProgram( "G2(5)", "maxes", 7 );;
gap> subgens:= ResultOfStraightLineProgram( prg.program, gens.generators );;
gap> u:= Group( gens.generators );;
```

```

gap> repeat
>   x:= Random( u );
>   until Order( x ) = 6;
gap> siz:= Size( Centralizer( g, x ) );
36
gap> Filtered( [ 1 .. NrConjugacyClasses( t ) ],
>             i -> SizesCentralizers( t )[i] = siz );
[ 14 ]

```

So  $U$  contains 6C elements in  $G_2(5)$ .

```

gap> GetFusionMap( s, t ) in Filtered( sfust, map -> 14 in map );
true

```

#### 4.5 The fusion from the character table of $7^2 : 2L_2(7).2$ into the table of marks

It can happen that the class fusion from the ordinary character table of a group  $G$  into the table of marks of  $G$  is not unique up to table automorphisms of the character table of  $G$ .

As an example, consider  $G = 7^2 : 2L_2(7).2$ , a maximal subgroup in the sporadic simple group  $He$ .

$G$  contains four classes of cyclic subgroups of order 7. One contains the elements in the normal subgroup of type  $7^2$ , and the other three are preimages of the order 7 elements in the factor group  $L_2(7)$ . The conjugacy classes of nonidentity elements in the latter three classes split into two Galois conjugates each, which are permuted cyclicly by the table automorphisms of the character table of  $G$ , but on which the stabilizer of one class acts trivially. This means that determining one of the three classes determines also the other two.

```

gap> tbl:= CharacterTable( "7^2:2psl(2,7)" );
CharacterTable( "7^2:2psl(2,7)" )
gap> tom:= TableOfMarks( FusionToTom( tbl ).name );
TableOfMarks( "7^2:2L2(7)" )
gap> fus:= PossibleFusionsCharTableTom( tbl, tom );
[ [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 8, 10, 9, 16, 7, 10, 9, 8, 16 ],
  [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 9, 8, 10, 16, 7, 8, 10, 9, 16 ],
  [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 10, 9, 8, 16, 7, 9, 8, 10, 16 ],
  [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 7, 9, 10, 8, 16 ],
  [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 10, 8, 9, 16, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16 ],
  [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 9, 10, 8, 16, 7, 10, 8, 9, 16 ] ]
gap> reps:= RepresentativesFusions( tbl, fus, Group(()) );
[ [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 7, 9, 10, 8, 16 ],
  [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 8, 10, 9, 16, 7, 10, 9, 8, 16 ] ]
gap> AutomorphismsOfTable( tbl );
Group([ (9,14)(10,17)(11,15)(12,16)(13,18), (7,8), (10,11,12)(15,16,17) ])
gap> OrdersClassRepresentatives( tbl );
[ 1, 7, 2, 4, 3, 6, 8, 8, 7, 7, 7, 7, 14, 7, 7, 7, 7, 14 ]
gap> perms1:= PermCharsTom( reps[1], tom );;
gap> perms2:= PermCharsTom( reps[2], tom );;
gap> perms1 = perms2;
false
gap> Set( perms1 ) = Set( perms2 );
true

```

The table of marks of  $G$  does not distinguish the three classes of cyclic subgroups, there are permutations of rows and columns that act as an  $S_3$  on them.

Note that an  $S_3$  acts on the classes in question in the **rational** character table. So it is due to the irrationalities in the character table that it contains more information.

```

gap> Display( tbl );
7^2:2psl(2,7)

      2  4  .  4  3  1  1  3  3  1  .  .  .  1  1  .  .  .  1
      3  1  .  1  .  1  1  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .
      7  3  3  1  .  .  .  .  .  2  2  2  2  1  2  2  2  2  1

      1a 7a 2a 4a 3a 6a 8a 8b 7b 7c 7d 7e 14a 7f 7g 7h 7i 14b
2P 1a 7a 1a 2a 3a 3a 4a 4a 7b 7c 7d 7e 7b 7f 7g 7h 7i 7f
3P 1a 7a 2a 4a 1a 2a 8b 8a 7f 7i 7g 7h 14b 7b 7d 7e 7c 14a
5P 1a 7a 2a 4a 3a 6a 8b 8a 7f 7i 7g 7h 14b 7b 7d 7e 7c 14a
7P 1a 1a 2a 4a 3a 6a 8a 8b 1a 1a 1a 1a 2a 1a 1a 1a 1a 2a
11P 1a 7a 2a 4a 3a 6a 8b 8a 7b 7c 7d 7e 14a 7f 7g 7h 7i 14b
13P 1a 7a 2a 4a 3a 6a 8b 8a 7f 7i 7g 7h 14b 7b 7d 7e 7c 14a

X.1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
X.2  3  3  3 -1  .  .  1  1  B  B  B  B  B  /B  /B  /B  /B  /B
X.3  3  3  3 -1  .  .  1  1  /B  /B  /B  /B  /B  B  B  B  B  B
X.4  6  6  6  2  .  .  .  .  -1  -1  -1  -1  -1  -1  -1  -1  -1  -1
X.5  7  7  7 -1  1  1 -1 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .
X.6  8  8  8  . -1 -1  .  .  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1
X.7  4  4 -4  .  1 -1  .  .  -B -B -B -B  B  -/B -/B -/B  /B
X.8  4  4 -4  .  1 -1  .  .  -/B -/B -/B -/B  /B  -B  -B  -B  B
X.9  6  6 -6  .  .  .  A -A -1 -1 -1 -1  1 -1 -1 -1 -1  1
X.10 6  6 -6  .  .  . -A  A -1 -1 -1 -1  1 -1 -1 -1 -1  1
X.11 8  8 -8  . -1  1  .  .  1  1  1  1 -1  1  1  1  1 -1
X.12 48 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  6 -1 -1 -1  .  6 -1 -1 -1  .
X.13 48 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  C -1 /C /D  .  /C  C  D -1  .
X.14 48 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  C /C /D -1  .  /C  D -1  C  .
X.15 48 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  /C  D -1  C  .  C -1 /C /D  .
X.16 48 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  C /D -1 /C  .  /C -1  C  D  .
X.17 48 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  /C  C  D -1  .  C /D -1 /C  .
X.18 48 -1  .  .  .  .  .  .  /C -1  C  D  .  C /C /D -1  .

A = E(8)-E(8)^3
  = ER(2) = r2
B = E(7)+E(7)^2+E(7)^4
  = (-1+ER(-7))/2 = b7
C = 2*E(7)+2*E(7)^2+2*E(7)^4
  = -1+ER(-7) = 2b7
D = -3*E(7)-3*E(7)^2-2*E(7)^3-3*E(7)^4-2*E(7)^5-2*E(7)^6
  = (5-ER(-7))/2 = 2-b7
gap> mat:= MatTom( tom );;
gap> mataut:= MatrixAutomorphisms( mat );;
gap> Print( mataut, "\n" );
Group( [ (11,12)(23,24)(27,28)(46,47)(53,54)(56,57),
        ( 9,10)(20,21)(31,32)(38,39), ( 8, 9)(20,22)(31,33)(38,40) ] )
gap> RepresentativesFusions( Group( () ), reps, mataut );
[ [ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 7, 9, 10, 8, 16 ] ]

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We could say that thus the fusion is unique up to table automorphisms and automorphisms of the table of marks. But since a group is associated with the table of marks, we compute the character

table from the group, and decide which class fusion is correct.

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gap> g:= UnderlyingGroup( tom );;
gap> tg:= CharacterTable( g );;
gap> tgfustom:= FusionCharTableTom( tg, tom );
[ 1, 6, 2, 3, 5, 16, 7, 8, 10, 9, 7, 8, 10, 9, 16, 4, 13, 13 ]
gap> trans:= TransformingPermutationsCharacterTables( tg, tbl );;
gap> tblfustom:= Permuted( tgfustom, trans.columns );
[ 1, 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 13, 13, 7, 8, 10, 9, 16, 7, 10, 9, 8, 16 ]
gap> orbits:= List( reps, map -> OrbitFusions( AutomorphismsOfTable( tbl ),
> map, Group( () ) ) );;
gap> PositionProperty( orbits, orb -> tblfustom in orb );
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gap> PositionProperty( orbits, orb -> FusionToTom( tbl ).map in orb );
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So we see that the second one of the possibilities above is the right one.

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