6) a) Let $K$ be a field and $A, B \in K^{n \times n}$ be matrices which are diagonalizable (i.e. there exists $P \in \mathrm{GL}_{n}(K)$ such that $P^{-1} M P$ is diagonal). Show, that if $A B=B A$, then there exists a $Q \in \mathrm{GL}_{n}(K)$ such that $Q^{-1} A Q$ and $Q^{-1} B Q$ are both diagonal.
b) Let $\varphi$ be a representation of a finite abelian group $G$ over an algebraically closed field $K$ in characteristic 0 (e.g. $K=\mathbb{C}$ ). Show that all irreducible constituents of $\varphi$ are 1-dimensional.
7) Let $A$ be the group algebra $\mathbb{Q} S_{3}$ and let

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\begin{aligned}
e_{1} & =\frac{1}{6}(1+(2,3)+(1,2)+(1,2,3)+(1,3,2)+(1,3)) \\
e_{2} & =\frac{1}{6}(1-(2,3)-(1,2)+(1,2,3)+(1,3,2)-(1,3)) \\
e_{3} & =\frac{1}{3}(2-(1,2,3)-(1,3,2))
\end{aligned}
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a) Show that $1=e_{1}+e_{2}+e_{3}$, and $e_{i}^{2}=e_{i}, e_{i} e_{j}=0$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq 3, i \neq j$.

Hint: In GAP, you can calculate in the group algebra in the following way:

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gap> A:=GroupRing(Rationals,SymmetricGroup(3));;
gap> b:=BasisVectors(Basis(A));
[(1)*(), (1)*(2,3), (1)*(1,2), (1)*(1,2,3), (1)*(1,3,2), (1)*(1,3) ]
gap> e1:=1/6*(b[1]+b[3]+b[6]+b[2]+b[4]+b[5]);
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b) Verify (by explicit calculation. Note that a basis is sufficient) that for all $i$ and for all $a \in A$ we have that $a e_{i}=e_{i} a$. Your solution to parts a) and b) can be simply a transcript of GAP calculations.
c) We set $A_{i}=A e_{i}=\left\{a \cdot e_{i} \mid a \in A\right\}$. Show that $A_{i}$ is an $A$-module by right multiplication with elements of $A$ and that $A_{A}=A_{1} \oplus A_{2} \oplus A_{3}$ is a decomposition of $A_{A}$ as a direct sum of $A$ modules.
(We will see later in the course that there always is such a decomposition, and that there is exactly one summand for each irreducible representation. The $e_{i}$ are called central, orthogonal idempotents.)
8) Let $i=\sqrt{-1}$ and $G=\left\langle\left(\begin{array}{rr}0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0\end{array}\right),\left(\begin{array}{rr}i & 0 \\ 0 & -i\end{array}\right)\right\rangle$ be the quaternion group of order 8 . (You can create it in GAP as
$\operatorname{Group}([\quad[\quad[0,1],[-1,0]],[[E(4), 0],[0,-E(4)]]$ )
for example and ask for its Elements.)
a) Construct an irreducible representation of $G$ over the real numbers, acting on a 4-dimensional vectorspace $V \cong \mathbb{R}^{4}$.
(Hint: Use an $\mathbb{R}$-basis of $\mathbb{C}$ to get an $\mathbb{R}$-basis of $\mathbb{C}^{2}$. To show that no 2-dimensional submodule exists, consider images of a nonzero vector $(a, b, c, d)$ in this subspace under different elements of $G$, and show that they will yield a basis of at least a 3-dimensional subspace.)
b) Determine the endomorphism ring $\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R}_{G}}(V)$.
(Hint: The elements of $\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R} G}(V)$ are $4 \times 4$ matrices that commute with the generators of $G$. Use this to deduce conditions on their entires. Then show that every matrix fulfilling these conditions commutes with $G$.)
c) By Schur's lemma $\operatorname{End}_{\mathbb{R} G}(V)$ must be a division ring. Can you identify it?
9) Let $M \in \mathrm{GL}_{n}(\mathbb{C})$. We consider $M$ as the image of a generator in a representation of the infinite cyclic group. Let $V=\mathbb{C}^{n}$ be the module associated to this representation. Show that $V$ is a cyclic module (i.e. it is generated as a module by a single vector) if and only if the characteristic polynomial of $M$ equals the minimal polynomial of $M$.

