

Solution to Exercise 4.11.1

The ordinary character table of $G := M_{11}$ is given as follows:

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gap> m11:=CharacterTable("M11");
CharacterTable( "M11" )
gap> Display(m11);
M11
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2	4	4	1	3	.	1	3	3	.	.
3	2	1	2	.	.	1
5	1	.	.	.	1
11	1	1	1

1a	2a	3a	4a	5a	6a	8a	8b	11a	11b	
2P	1a	1a	3a	2a	5a	3a	4a	4a	11b	11a
3P	1a	2a	1a	4a	5a	2a	8a	8b	11a	11b
5P	1a	2a	3a	4a	1a	6a	8b	8a	11a	11b
11P	1a	2a	3a	4a	5a	6a	8a	8b	1a	1a

X.1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
X.2	10	2	1	2	.	-1	.	.	-1	-1
X.3	10	-2	1	.	.	1	A	-A	-1	-1
X.4	10	-2	1	.	.	1	-A	A	-1	-1
X.5	11	3	2	-1	1	.	-1	-1	.	.
X.6	16	.	-2	.	1	.	.	.	B	/B
X.7	16	.	-2	.	1	.	.	.	/B	B
X.8	44	4	-1	.	-1	1
X.9	45	-3	.	1	.	.	-1	-1	1	1
X.10	55	-1	1	-1	.	-1	1	1	.	.

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A = E(8)+E(8)^3
  = ER(-2) = i2
B = E(11)+E(11)^3+E(11)^4+E(11)^5+E(11)^9
  = (-1+ER(-11))/2 = b11
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The element u has to lie in the conjugacy class **3a** and we can read off from the character table that $\mathbf{C}_G(u) = \mathbf{C}_G(P_3)$ and $|\mathbf{C}_G(P_3)| = 2^1 \cdot 3^2$. So there is an element v order 2 centralizing u . Moreover, v has to lie in the conjugacy class **2a** and uv , which is an element of order 6, is in **6a**. All irreducible characters of G but χ_9 , which is a defect zero character, are in the principal 3-block of G as the following GAP code shows:

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gap> PrimeBlocks(m11,3);
rec( block := [ 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1 ],
     defect := [ 2, 0 ],
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height := [ 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 ],
relevant := [ 2, 4, 5, 7, 9 ],
centralcharacter := [ [ , 165,, 990, 1584,, 990,, 720 ],
                      [ , -11,, 22, 0,, -22,, 16 ] ] )
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It is now easy to check that $-1 = \chi_2(6a) \neq \chi_2(3a) = 1$. and therefore $\chi_2(uv) \neq \chi_2(u)$.