

# On the Dade -Tasaka correspondence between blocks of finite groups

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## 1 Introduction

In this report we state a generalization of Tasaka's isotopy between blocks of finite groups obtained by the Dade character correspondence. Let  $p$  be a prime and  $(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{O}, k)$  be a  $p$ -modular system such that  $\mathcal{K}$  is a splitting field for all finite groups which we consider in this talk. Let  $S$  denote  $\mathcal{O}$  or  $k$ . For a finite abelian group  $F$ , we denote by  $\hat{F}$  the character group of  $F$  and by  $\hat{F}_q$  the subgroup of  $\hat{F}$  of order  $q$  for  $q \in \pi(F)$ , where  $\pi(F)$  is the set of all primes dividing  $|F|$ . Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $N$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ . We denote by  $\text{Irr}(G)$  the set of ordinary irreducible characters of  $G$  and  $\text{Irr}^G(N)$  be the set of  $G$ -invariant irreducible characters of  $N$ . For  $\phi \in \text{Irr}(N)$ , we denote by  $\text{Irr}(G|\phi)$  the set of irreducible characters  $\chi$  of  $G$  such that  $\phi$  is a constituent of the restriction  $\chi_N$  of  $\chi$  to  $N$ .

**Hypothesis 1**  $G$  is a finite group which is a normal subgroup of a finite group  $E$  such that the factor group  $F = E/G$  is a cyclic group of order  $r$ .  $\lambda$  is a generator of  $\hat{F}$ .  $E_0 = \{x \in E \mid \bar{x} \text{ is a generator of } F\}$  where  $\bar{x} = xG$ .  $E'$  is a subgroup of  $E$  such that  $E'G = E$ ,  $G' = G \cap E'$  and  $E'_0 = E' \cap E_0$ . Moreover  $(E'_0)^\tau \cap E'_0$  is the empty set, for all  $\tau \in E - E'$ .

Under the above hypothesis, in [2], E.C. Dade constructed a bijection between  $\text{Irr}^E(G)$  and  $\text{Irr}^{E'}(G')$  which is a generalization of the cyclic case of the Glauberman correspondence ([3] or, [6], Chap.13).

**Theorem 1** ([2], Theorem 6.8, Theorem 6.9) *Assume Hypothesis 1 and  $|F| \neq 1$ . For each prime  $q \in \pi(F)$ , we choose some non-trivial character  $\lambda_q \in \hat{F}_q$ . There is a bijection*

$$\rho(E, G, E', G') : \text{Irr}^E(G) \rightarrow \text{Irr}^{E'}(G') \quad (\phi \mapsto \phi' = \phi_{(G')})$$

which satisfies the following conditions. If  $r$  is odd, then there are a unique integer  $\epsilon_\phi = \pm 1$  and a unique bijection  $\psi \mapsto \psi_{(E')}$  of  $\text{Irr}(E|\phi)$  onto  $\text{Irr}(E'|\phi')$  such that

$$(1.1) \quad \left( \prod_{q \in \pi(F)} (1 - \lambda_q) \cdot \psi \right)_{E'} = \epsilon_\phi \prod_{q \in \pi(F)} (1 - \lambda_q) \cdot \psi_{(E')},$$

for any  $\psi \in \text{Irr}(E|\phi)$ . If  $r$  is even, and we choose  $\epsilon_\phi = \pm 1$  arbitrarily, then there is a unique bijection  $\psi \mapsto \psi_{(E')}$  of  $\text{Irr}(E|\phi)$  onto  $\text{Irr}(E'|\phi')$  such that (1.1) holds for all  $\psi \in \text{Irr}(E|\phi)$ . In both cases we have

$$(\lambda\psi)_{(E')} = \lambda\psi_{(E')}$$

for any  $\lambda \in \hat{F}$  and any  $\psi \in \text{Irr}(E|\phi)$ . Furthermore, the resulting bijection is independent of the choice of the non-trivial character  $\lambda_q \in \hat{F}_q$ , for any  $q \in \pi(F)$ .

Assume Hypothesis 1. We call  $\rho(E, G, E', G')$  the Dade correspondence, where  $\rho(E, G, E', G')$  denotes the identity map of  $\text{Irr}^E(G)$  when  $|F| = 1$ . Following the notations in [7], for  $\phi' \in \text{Irr}^{E'}(G)$ , we set  $\phi'_{(G)} = \rho(E, G, E', G')^{-1}(\phi')$ , and for  $\psi' \in \text{Irr}(E'|\phi')$ , we set  $\psi'_{(E)} = \psi$  if  $\psi' = \psi_{(E')}$ . From (1.1)  $\psi'$  is a constituent of  $(\lambda\psi'_{(E)})_{E'}$  for some  $\lambda \in \hat{F}$ , hence  $\phi_{(G')}$  is a constituent of  $\phi_{G'}$ . In particular if  $\phi$  is the trivial character of  $G$ , then  $\phi_{(G')}$  is the trivial character of  $G'$ .

**The Generalized Glauberman case:** Let  $G$  and  $A$  be finite groups such that  $A$  is cyclic,  $A$  acts on  $G$  via automorphism and that  $(|C_G(A)|, |A|) = 1$ . We set  $E = G \rtimes A$ ,  $G' = C_G(A)$  and  $E' = G' \times A \leq E$ . By [2], Lemma 7.5,  $E, G, E'$  and  $G'$  satisfy Hypothesis 1. Moreover by [2], Proposition 7.8, if  $(|A|, |G|) = 1$ , then  $\rho(E, G, E', G')$  coincides with the Glauberman correspondence.

**Theorem 2** (Horimoto[4]) *Assume the generalized Glauberman case. Suppose that  $p \nmid |A|$  and that a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$  is contained in  $G'$ . Then there is an isotypy between  $b(G)$  and  $b(G')$  induced by the Dade correspondence where  $b(G)$  is the principal block of  $G$ .*

Isotypy is a concept introduced in [1].

**Hypothesis 2** *Assume Hypothesis 1.  $(p, r) = 1$ .  $b$  is an  $E$ -invariant block of  $G$  covered by  $r$  distinct blocks of  $E$ .*

**Hypothesis 3** *Assume Hypothesis 1.  $(p, r) = 1$ .  $b'$  is an  $E'$ -invariant block of  $G'$  covered by  $r$  distinct blocks of  $E'$ .*

**Theorem 3** (Tasaka [7], Theorem 5.5) *Assume Hypotheses 2 and 3, and  $r$  is a prime power. Moreover assume some  $\phi \in \text{Irr}(b)$ ,  $\phi_{(G')} \in \text{Irr}(b')$ . If  $r$  is odd, or  $r = 2$ , or  $b$  is the principal block of  $G$ , then there is an isotypy between  $b$  and  $b'$  induced by the Dade correspondence.*

In this report we state that the arguments in [7] can be extended to the general case (see Theorem 8 below).

## 2 Dade correspondence and blocks

Let  $G$  be a finite group. We denote by  $G_0(\mathcal{K}G)$  the Grothendieck group of the group algebra  $\mathcal{K}G$ . If  $L$  is a  $\mathcal{K}G$ -module, then let  $[L]$  denote the element in  $G_0(\mathcal{K}G)$  determined by the isomorphism class of  $L$ . For  $\phi \in \text{Irr}(G)$ , we denote by  $\check{\phi}$ . For a block  $b$  of  $G$ , we denote by  $\text{Irr}(b)$  the set of irreducible characters belonging to  $b$ , and by  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{K}}(G, b)$  the additive group of generalized characters belonging to  $b$ . For other notations, see [5] and [8].

Note that under the Hypothesis 2, any irreducible character in  $\text{Irr}(b)$  is  $E$ -invariant.

**Theorem 4** (see [7], Proposition 3.5)

- (i) Assume Hypothesis 2. Then  $\{\phi_{(G')} \mid \phi \in \text{Irr}(b)\}$  is contained in a block  $b_{(G')}$  of  $G'$ .
- (ii) Assume Hypothesis 3. Then  $\{\phi'_{(G)} \mid \phi' \in \text{Irr}(b')\}$  is contained in a block  $b'_{(G)}$  of  $G$ .

Assume Hypothesis 2. We denote by  $\hat{b}_0$  a block of  $E$  covering  $b$ . For each  $\phi \in \text{Irr}(b)$ , we denote  $\hat{\phi}$  by a unique extension of  $\phi$  which belongs to  $\hat{b}_0$ . For any  $i \in \mathbf{Z}$ , we denote by  $\hat{b}_i$  be the block of  $E$  which contains  $\lambda^i \hat{\phi}$  where  $\phi \in \text{Irr}(b)$ .

**Proposition 1** (see [7], Proposition 3.5, (3)) *Assume Hypotheses 2 and 3, and assume  $b' = b_{(G')}$  using the notation in Theorem 4. Then there exists a block  $(\hat{b}_0)_{(E')}$  of  $E'$  such that  $\text{Irr}((\hat{b}_0)_{(E')}) = \{(\hat{\phi})_{(E')} \mid \phi \in \text{Irr}(b)\}$ . If  $r$  is odd, then  $(\hat{b}_0)_{(E')}$  is uniquely determined, and if  $r$  is even, we have exactly two choices for  $(\hat{b}_0)_{(E')}$ .*

With the notation in the above proposition, we denote by  $(\hat{b}_i)_{(E')}$  the block of  $E'$  containing  $\lambda^i(\hat{\phi})_{(E')}$  ( $\phi \in \text{Irr}(b)$ ). Moreover, when  $r$  is even, we fix one of two  $(\hat{b}_0)_{(E')}$ .

### 3 Local structure

**Lemma 1** ([7], Lemma 3.3) *Assume  $p \nmid r$ . For a block  $b$  of  $G$ ,  $b$  satisfies Hypothesis 2 if and only if there exists  $s \in E_0$  such that  $\widehat{C(s)}b$  is invertible in  $Z(\mathcal{O}Eb)$ .*

Assume Hypothesis 2. By the above lemma and [7], Lemma 2.4, there exists an element  $s \in E'_0$  such that  $\widehat{C(s)}b \in Z(\mathcal{O}Eb)^\times$ . Hence there exists a defect group  $D$  of  $b$  centralized by  $s$ , and hence contained in  $G'$ . Let  $P \leq D$ . Then by [7], Lemma 3.9,  $C_E(P)$ ,  $C_G(P)$ ,  $C_{E'}(P)$  and  $C_{G'}(P)$  satisfy Hypothesis 1. Here we note  $F \cong C_E(P)/C_G(P)$ . Let  $e \in \text{Bl}(C_G(P), b)$ . Then we see that  $\text{Br}_P^{\mathcal{O}E}(\widehat{C(s)}b)e^* \in (Z(kC_E(P)e^*))^\times$ . This implies that  $e$  is covered by  $r$  blocks of  $C_E(P')$ . Similarly assume Hypothesis 3. Let  $D'$  be a defect group of  $b'$  and  $e' \in \text{Bl}(C_{G'}(P'), b')$  for a subgroup  $P'$  of  $D'$ . Then  $e'$  is covered by  $r$  blocks of  $C_{E'}(P')$ .

**Theorem 5** (see [7], Proposition 3.11) *Using the same notations as in Theorem 4 we have the following.*

(i) *Assume Hypothesis 2. Let  $D$  be a defect group of  $b$  obtained in the above and let  $P \leq D$ . Let  $e \in \text{Bl}(C_G(P), b)$ . Then  $e_{(C_{G'}(P))} \in \text{Bl}(C_{G'}(P), b_{(G')})$ . In particular,  $b_{(G')}$  have a defect group containing  $D$ .*

(ii) *Assume Hypothesis 3. Let  $D'$  be a defect group of  $b'$  and let  $P' \leq D'$ . Let  $e' \in \text{Bl}(C_{G'}(P'), b')$ . Then  $e'_{(C_G(P'))} \in \text{Bl}(C_G(P'), b'_{(G)})$ . In particular,  $b'_{(G)}$  have a defect group containing  $D'$ .*

Assume Hypotheses 2 and 3, and  $b' = b_{(G')}$ . The Dade correspondence  $\rho(E, G, E', G')$  gives a bijection between  $\text{Irr}(b)$  and  $\text{Irr}(b')$  by Theorem 4. By Theorem 5,  $b$  and  $b'$  have a common defect group  $D$ . Let  $(D, b_D)$  be a maximal  $b$ -Brauer pair. For  $P \leq D$ , let  $(P, b_P)$  be a  $b$ -Brauer pair contained in  $(D, b_D)$ . We set

$$(b_P)' = (b_P)_{(C_{G'}(P))}.$$

By the above theorem  $(b_P)'$  is associated with  $b'$  and  $(D, (b_D)')$  is a maximal  $b'$ -Brauer pair. The following holds.

**Theorem 6** (see [7], Theorem 5.2) *Assume Hypotheses 2 and 3, and assume  $b' = b_{(G')}$ . Then the Brauer categories  $\mathbf{B}_G(b)$  and  $\mathbf{B}_{G'}(b')$  are equivalent.*

## 4 Perfect isometry and isotypy

Assume Hypotheses 2 and 3, and  $b' = b_{(G')}$  using the notations in Theorem 4. With the notations in the previous section, we put

$$b_i = \sum_{l=0}^{r-1} (\hat{b}_l)_{(E')} \hat{b}_{l+i} \quad (\forall i \in \mathbf{Z}).$$

Then  $(b_i)^2 = b_i$  and  $b_i \in (\mathcal{O}Gbb')^{E'}$  for each  $i$ . For each prime  $q \in \pi(F)$ , let  $\lambda_q \in \hat{F}_q$  be a non-trivial character as in Theorem 1. Set  $l = |\pi(F)|$ . Moreover we set for  $t$  ( $1 \leq t \leq l$ ) distinct primes  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_t \in \pi(F)$

$$\lambda_{q_1} \cdots \lambda_{q_t} = \lambda^{m_{\{q_1, \dots, q_t\}}} \quad (m_{\{q_1, \dots, q_t\}} \in \mathbf{Z})$$

where  $\lambda$  is a generator of  $\hat{F}$ . Then we have

$$\prod_{q \in \pi(F)} (1 - \lambda_q) = 1 + \sum_{t=1}^l (-1)^t \sum_{\{q_1, \dots, q_t\} \subseteq \pi(F)} \lambda^{m_{\{q_1, \dots, q_t\}}}$$

where  $\{q_1, \dots, q_t\}$  runs over the set of  $t$ -element subsets of  $\pi(F)$ .

**Proposition 2** (see [7], Proposition 4.4) *With the above notations we have*

$$\begin{aligned} [b_0 \mathcal{K}G] + \sum_{t=1}^l (-1)^t \sum_{\{q_1, \dots, q_t\} \subseteq \pi(F)} [b_{m_{\{q_1, \dots, q_t\}}} \mathcal{K}G] \\ = \sum_{\phi \in \text{Irr}(b)} \epsilon_\phi [L_{\phi_{(G')}} \otimes_{\mathcal{K}} L_{\hat{\phi}}] \end{aligned}$$

in  $G_0(\mathcal{K}(G' \times G))$ .

From the above proposition and [1], Proposition 1.2, we have the following.

**Theorem 7** (see [7], Theorem 4.5) *Assume Hypotheses 2 and 3, and that  $b' = b_{(G')}$ . Set  $\mu = \sum_{\phi \in \text{Irr}(b)} \epsilon_\phi \phi_{(G')} \phi$ . Then  $\mu$  induces a perfect isometry  $R_\mu : \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{K}}(G, b) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{K}}(G', b')$  which satisfies  $R_\mu(\phi) = \epsilon_\phi \phi_{(G')}$ .*

Let  $D$  be a common defect group of  $b$  and  $b'$ . For  $P \leq D$ ,  $R^P$  be the perfect isometry between  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{K}}(C_G(P), b_P)$  and  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{K}}(C_{G'}(P), (b_P)_{(C_{G'}(P))})$  obtained by the Dade correspondence.

**Theorem 8** (see [7], Theorem 5.5) *Assume Hypotheses 2 and 3, and assume  $b' = b_{(G')}$ . Then  $b$  and  $b'$  are isotypic with the local system  $(R^P)_{\{P(\text{cyclic}) \leq D\}}$ .*

**Example** Suppose  $p = 5$ . Let  $G = Sz(2^{2n+1})$ , the Suzuki group,  $A = \langle \sigma \rangle$  where  $\sigma$  is the Frobenius automorphism of  $G$  with respect to  $\text{GF}(2^{2n+1})/\text{GF}(2)$ . Set  $G' = Sz(2) = C_G(A)$ ,  $E = G \rtimes A$ ,  $E' = G' \times A$ . Suppose that  $5 \nmid 2n+1$ . Then  $(2n+1, |G'|) = 1$ . Moreover a Sylow 5-subgroup of  $G$  has order 5. By the above theorem, the Dade correspondence gives an isotypy between  $b(G)$  and  $b(G')$ . Moreover, if  $5 \mid (2^{2n+1} + 2^{n+1} + 1)$ , then  $b(G)$  and  $b(G')$  are splendidly Morita equivalent.

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