

# Diagonal $p$ -permutation functors

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## Abstract

Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field of positive characteristic  $p$ , and  $\mathbb{F}$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0. We consider the  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear category  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  of finite groups, in which the set of morphisms from  $G$  to  $H$  is the  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear extension  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G)$  of the Grothendieck group  $T^\Delta(H, G)$  of  $p$ -permutation  $(kH, kG)$ -bimodules with (twisted) diagonal vertices. The  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear functors from  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  to  $\mathbb{F}\text{-Mod}$  are called *diagonal  $p$ -permutation functors*. They form an abelian category  $\mathcal{F}_{pp_k}^\Delta$ .

We study in particular the functor  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  sending a finite group  $G$  to the Grothendieck group  $\mathbb{F}T(G)$  of  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -modules, and show that  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  is a semisimple object of  $\mathcal{F}_{pp_k}^\Delta$ , equal to the direct sum of specific simple functors parametrized by isomorphism classes of pairs  $(P, s)$  of a finite  $p$ -group  $P$  and a generator  $s$  of a  $p'$ -subgroup acting faithfully on  $P$ . This leads to a precise description of the evaluations of these simple functors. In particular, we show that the simple functor indexed by the trivial pair  $(1, 1)$  is isomorphic to the functor sending a finite group  $G$  to  $\mathbb{F}K_0(kG)$ , where  $K_0(kG)$  is the group of projective  $kG$ -modules.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $p$  be a prime number. Throughout we denote by  $\mathbb{F}$  an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero, and by  $k$  an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . The  $p$ -permutation modules play a crucial role in the study of modular representation theory of finite groups. A splendid Rickard equivalence, introduced by Rickard [8], between blocks of finite group algebras is given by a chain complex consisting of  $p$ -permutation bimodules. Also a  $p$ -permutation equivalence, introduced by Boltje

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and Xu [1], and studied extensively later by Boltje and Perepelitsky [7], is an element in the Grothendieck group of  $p$ -permutation bimodules.

In [5], Duceillier studied  $p$ -permutation functors: Consider the category  $\mathbb{F}pp_k$  where the objects are finite groups and the morphisms between groups  $G$  and  $H$  are given by the Grothendieck group  $\mathbb{F} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} T(H, G)$  of  $p$ -permutation  $(kH, kG)$ -bimodules. A  $p$ -permutation functor is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear functor from  $\mathbb{F}pp_k$  to  $\mathbb{F}\text{-Mod}$ . The indecomposable direct summands of the bimodules that appears in a  $p$ -permutation equivalence between blocks of finite group algebras have twisted diagonal vertices. Therefore, inspired by the work of Duceillier, we consider a category with less morphisms: Let  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  be a category where the objects are finite groups and the morphisms between groups  $G$  and  $H$  are given by the Grothendieck group  $\mathbb{F} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} T^\Delta(H, G)$  of  $p$ -permutation  $(kH, kG)$ -bimodules whose indecomposable direct summands have twisted diagonal vertices. An  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear functor from  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  to  $\mathbb{F}\text{-Mod}$  is called a *diagonal  $p$ -permutation functor*.

By [2], the simple diagonal  $p$ -permutation functors are parametrized by the pairs  $(G, V)$  of a finite group  $G$  and a simple module  $V$  of the essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) = \text{End}_{\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta}(G)/I$  at  $G$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by the morphisms that factor through groups of smaller order. We show that the essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is isomorphic to the essential algebra studied in [5]. As a result this implies that the essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is non-zero if and only if the group  $G$  is of the form  $P \rtimes \langle s \rangle$  where  $P$  is a  $p$ -group and  $s$  is a generator of a  $p'$ -cyclic group acting faithfully on  $P$ . Moreover in that case there is an algebra isomorphism  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \cong (\mathbb{F}[X]/\Phi_n[X]) \rtimes \text{Out}(G)$  where  $n$  is the order of  $s$ . See Theorem 3.3.

We also study the functor  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  that sends a finite group  $G$  to the Grothendieck group  $\mathbb{F}T(G)$  of  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -modules. We describe the subfunctor lattice (Theorem 5.11) and simple quotients (Proposition 5.15) of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$ . We also give a description for the  $\mathbb{F}$ -dimension of the evaluations of simple quotients of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  at a finite group  $G$  (Theorem 5.18). Moreover we prove that the simple functor  $S_{1,1}$  that corresponds to the pair  $(1, 1)$  is isomorphic to the functor that sends a finite group  $G$  to the  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear extension  $\mathbb{F}K_0(kG)$  of the Grothendieck group of projective  $kG$ -modules (Theorem 5.20).

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $G$  and  $H$  be finite groups. We denote by  $p_1 : G \times H \rightarrow G$  and  $p_2 : G \times H \rightarrow H$  the canonical projections. Let  $X \leq G \times H$  be a subgroup. We define the subgroups  $k_1(X) := p_1(X \cap \ker(p_2))$  and  $k_2(X) := p_2(X \cap \ker(p_1))$  of  $p_1(X)$  and  $p_2(X)$ , respectively. Note that  $k_1(X) \times k_2(X)$  is a normal subgroup of  $X$ . More-

over,  $k_i(X)$  is a normal subgroup of  $p_i(X)$  and one has a canonical isomorphism  $X/(k_1(X) \times k_2(X)) \rightarrow p_i(X)/k_i(X)$  induced by the projection map  $p_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

Let  $\phi : P \rightarrow Q$  be an isomorphism between subgroups  $P \leq G$  and  $Q \leq H$ . Then  $\{(\phi(x), x) : x \in P\}$  is a subgroup of  $H \times G$  and a subgroup of that form is called a *twisted diagonal* subgroup of  $H \times G$ . Note that a subgroup  $X \leq H \times G$  is a twisted diagonal subgroup if and only if  $k_1(X) = 1$  and  $k_2(X) = 1$ .

Let  $P$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and  $M$  be a  $kG$ -module. We denote by  $M^P$  the  $k$ -vector space of  $P$ -fixed points of  $M$ . If  $Q \leq P$  is a subgroup, then the map  $\text{Tr}_Q^P : M^Q \rightarrow M^P$  defined by  $\text{Tr}(m) = \sum_{x \in [P/Q]} x \cdot m$  is called the *relative trace map*. The quotient

$$M[P] := M^P / \sum_{Q < P} \text{Tr}_Q^P(M^Q)$$

is called the *Brauer quotient* of  $M$  at  $P$ . Note that  $M[P]$  is a  $k\overline{N}_G(P)$ -module, where  $\overline{N}_G(P) := N_G(P)/P$ . We have  $M[P] = 0$  if  $P$  is not a  $p$ -group.

A  $(kG, kH)$ -bimodule  $M$  can be viewed as a  $k(G \times H)$ -module via  $(g, h) \cdot m := gmh^{-1}$ , for  $(g, h) \in G \times H$  and  $m \in M$ . Similarly a  $k(G \times H)$ -module can be viewed as a  $(kG, kH)$ -bimodule. We will usually switch between these two points of views.

**Definition 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be a finite group. A  $kG$ -module  $M$  is called a permutation module, if  $M$  has a  $G$ -stable  $k$ -basis. A  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -module is a  $kG$ -module  $M$  such that  $\text{Res}_S^G M$  is a permutation  $kS$ -module for a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup  $S$  of  $G$ .*

For a finite group  $G$  we denote by  $T(G)$  the Grothendieck group of  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -modules with respect to direct sum decompositions. If  $M$  is a  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -module, then the class of  $M$  in  $T(G)$  will be abusively denoted by  $M$ . The group  $T(G)$  has a ring structure induced by the tensor product of modules over  $k$ , and  $T(G)$  will be called the *ring of  $p$ -permutation modules* of  $G$ , for short. If  $H$  is another finite group, we set  $T(G, H) := T(G \times H)$ . We denote by  $T^\Delta(G, H)$  the subgroup of  $T(G, H)$  spanned by  $p$ -permutation  $k(G \times H)$ -modules whose indecomposable direct summands have twisted diagonal vertices.

Let  $\mathcal{P}_{G,p}$  denote the set of pairs  $(P, E)$  where  $P$  is a  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$  and  $E$  is a projective indecomposable  $k\overline{N}_G(P)$ -module. The group  $G$  acts on the set  $\mathcal{P}_{G,p}$  via conjugation and we denote by  $[\mathcal{P}_{G,p}]$  a set of representatives of  $G$ -orbits of  $\mathcal{P}_{G,p}$ . For  $(P, E) \in \mathcal{P}_{G,p}$ , let  $M_{P,E}$  denote the unique (up to isomorphism) indecomposable  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -module with the property that  $M_{P,E}[P] \cong E$ . Note that  $M_{P,E}$  has the group  $P$  as a vertex [4, Theorem 3.2]. We denote by  $\mathcal{P}_{G \times H, p}^\Delta$  the set of pairs  $(P, E) \in \mathcal{P}_{G \times H, p}$  where  $P$  is a twisted diagonal  $p$ -subgroup of  $G \times H$ .

**Remark 2.2.** *The isomorphism classes of the modules  $M_{P,E}$  where  $(P, E) \in \mathcal{P}_{G \times H, p}^\Delta$  form a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis for  $T^\Delta(G, H)$ .*

**Definition 2.3.** [5, Definition 2.3.1] Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair where  $P$  is a  $p$ -group and  $s$  is a generator of a  $p'$ -cyclic group acting on  $P$ . We denote the semidirect product  $P \rtimes \langle s \rangle$  by  $\langle Ps \rangle$ . Let  $(Q, t)$  be another such pair. We say that the pairs  $(P, s)$  and  $(Q, t)$  are isomorphic if there are group isomorphisms  $\phi : P \rightarrow Q$  and  $\psi : \langle s \rangle \rightarrow \langle t \rangle$  such that  $\psi(s) = q \cdot t$  for some  $q \in Q$  and  $\phi(s \cdot u) = \psi(s) \cdot \phi(u)$  for all  $u \in P$ . In that case we write  $(P, s) \simeq (Q, t)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** [5, Proposition 2.3.3] Let  $(P, s)$  and  $(Q, t)$  be two pairs. Then  $(P, s) \simeq (Q, t)$  if and only if there is a group isomorphism  $f : \langle Ps \rangle \rightarrow \langle Qt \rangle$  such that  $f(s)$  is conjugate to  $t$ .

Let  $\mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$  denote the set of pairs  $(P, s)$  where  $P$  is a  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$  and  $s \in N_G(P)$  is a  $p'$ -element. In that case  $\langle Ps \rangle$  denotes the semidirect product  $P \rtimes \langle s \rangle$  where the action of  $\langle s \rangle$  on  $P$  is induced by conjugation. The group  $G$  acts on the set  $\mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$  and we denote by  $[\mathcal{Q}_{G,p}]$  a set of representatives of  $G$ -orbits. We denote by  $\mathcal{Q}_{G \times H, p}^A$  the set of pairs  $(P, s) \in \mathcal{Q}_{G \times H, p}$  where  $P$  is a twisted diagonal  $p$ -subgroup of  $G \times H$ .

For any pair  $(P, s) \in \mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$  let  $\tau_{P,s}^G$  denote the additive map  $T(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  that sends a  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -module  $M$  to the value of the Brauer character of  $M[P]$  at  $s$ . The map  $\tau_{P,s}^G$  is a ring homomorphism and it extends to an  $\mathbb{F}$ -algebra homomorphism  $\tau_{P,s}^G : \mathbb{F} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} T(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ . The set  $\{\tau_{P,s}^G : (P, s) \in [\mathcal{Q}_{G,p}]\}$  is the set of all species from  $\mathbb{F}T(G) := \mathbb{F} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} T(G)$  to  $\mathbb{F}$  [3, Proposition 2.18].

The algebra  $\mathbb{F}T(G)$  is split semisimple and its primitive idempotents  $F_{P,s}^G$  are indexed by pairs  $(P, s) \in [\mathcal{Q}_{G,p}]$  [3, Corollary 2.19]. If  $\phi : \langle s \rangle \rightarrow k^\times$  is a group homomorphism, we denote by  $k_\phi$  the  $k\langle s \rangle$ -module  $k$  on which the element  $s$  acts as multiplication by  $\phi(s)$ . Let  $\widehat{\langle s \rangle} = \text{Hom}(\langle s \rangle, k^\times)$  denote the set of group homomorphisms. By [3, Theorem 4.12] we have the idempotent formula

$$F_{P,s}^G = \frac{1}{|P||s||C_{N_G(P)}(s)|} \sum_{\substack{\varphi \in \widehat{\langle s \rangle} \\ L \leq \langle Ps \rangle \\ PL = \langle Ps \rangle}} \tilde{\varphi}(s^{-1}) |L| \mu(L, \langle Ps \rangle) \text{Ind}_L^G k_{L,\varphi}^{Ps},$$

where  $k_{L,\varphi}^{Ps} = \text{Res}_L^{Ps} \text{Inf}_{\langle s \rangle}^{Ps} k_\varphi$ , and  $\tilde{\varphi}$  is the Brauer character of  $k_\varphi$ .

By [5, Proposition 2.7.8] we have another formula

$$F_{P,s}^G = \frac{1}{|C_{N_G(P)}(s)|} \sum_{\substack{\varphi \in \widehat{\langle s \rangle} \\ L \leq P \\ L^s = L}} \tilde{\varphi}(s^{-1}) |C_L(s)| \mu((L, P)^s) \text{Ind}_{\langle Ls \rangle}^G k_{\langle Ls \rangle, \varphi}^{Ps}.$$

Here  $\mu((-, -)^s)$  is the Möbius function of the poset of  $s$ -stable subgroups of  $P$ .

**Lemma 2.5.** *For finite groups  $G$  and  $H$ , the set  $\{F_{P,s}^{G \times H} : (P, s) \in [\mathcal{Q}_{G \times H, p}^\Delta]\}$  of primitive idempotents form an  $\mathbb{F}$ -basis for the split semisimple algebra  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H)$ .*

*Proof.* First we will show that we have  $F_{P,s}^{G \times H} \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H)$  whenever  $(P, s) \in [\mathcal{Q}_{G \times H, p}^\Delta]$ . Let  $\varphi \in \widehat{\langle s \rangle}$  and  $L \leq \langle Ps \rangle$ . It suffices to show that  $\text{Ind}_L^G k_{L, \varphi}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H)$ . Since  $P$  acts trivially on  $\text{Inf}_{\langle s \rangle}^{\langle Ps \rangle} k_\varphi$ , the subgroup  $P$  is contained in a vertex of  $k_\varphi$  considered as a  $k\langle Ps \rangle$ -module. But since  $P$  is the Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $\langle Ps \rangle$ , it follows that  $P$  is the vertex of  $k_\varphi$ . Therefore the module  $k_{L, \varphi}^{\langle Ps \rangle} = \text{Res}_L^{\langle Ps \rangle} \text{Inf}_{\langle s \rangle}^{\langle Ps \rangle} k_\varphi$  has a vertex contained in  $L \cap {}^x P \leq P$  for some  $x \in \langle Ps \rangle$ . Since a subgroup of twisted diagonal subgroup is again twisted diagonal, this means that  $k_{L, \varphi}^{\langle Ps \rangle}$  has twisted diagonal vertices. This shows that  $\text{Ind}_L^G k_{L, \varphi}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H)$  as desired. Now since the  $\mathbb{F}$ -dimension of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H)$  is equal to the cardinality of  $[\mathcal{P}_{G \times H, p}^\Delta]$ , which is equal to the cardinality of  $[\mathcal{Q}_{G \times H, p}^\Delta]$ , it follows that the set  $\{F_{P,s}^{G \times H} : (P, s) \in [\mathcal{Q}_{G \times H, p}^\Delta]\}$  of primitive idempotents form an  $\mathbb{F}$ -basis for  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H)$ .  $\square$

Let  $G, H$  and  $L$  be finite groups. If  $X$  is a  $(kG, kH)$ -bimodule and  $Y$  is a  $(kH, kL)$ -bimodule, then  $X \circ Y := X \otimes_{kH} Y$  is a  $(kG, kL)$ -bimodule. Extending this product by  $\mathbb{F}$ -bilinearity, we get a map

$$\mathbb{F}T(G, H) \circ \mathbb{F}T(H, L) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}T(G, L).$$

Note that this induces a map

$$\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H) \circ \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, L) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, L)$$

which is used to define the composition of morphisms in the following category.

**Definition 2.6.** *Let  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  be the category with*

- *objects: finite groups*
- $\text{Mor}_{\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta}(G, H) = \mathbb{F} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} T^\Delta(H, G) = \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G)$ .

An  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear functor from  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  to  $\mathbb{F}\text{-Mod}$  is called a *diagonal  $p$ -permutation functor*. Diagonal  $p$ -permutation functors form an abelian category  $\mathcal{F}_{pp_k}^\Delta$ .

### 3. The Essential Algebra

For a finite group  $G$ , the quotient algebra

$$\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) := \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, G) / \left( \sum_{|H| < |G|} \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H) \circ \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G) \right)$$

is called the *essential algebra* of  $G$ .

By [5, Proposition 4.1.2 and Theorem 4.1.12] the algebra

$$\mathcal{E}(G) := \mathbb{F}T(G, G) / \left( \sum_{|H| < |G|} \mathbb{F}T(G, H) \circ \mathbb{F}T(H, G) \right)$$

is non-zero if and only if there exists a pair  $(P, s)$  in  $G$  such that  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$  and  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ . In that case, we also have an algebra isomorphism

$$\mathcal{E}(G) \cong (\mathbb{F}[X]/\Phi_n[X]) \rtimes \text{Out}(G)$$

where  $n$  is the order of  $s$  [5, Theorem 4.1.12].

Note that the inclusion map  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, G) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{F}T(G, G)$  induces a map

$$\Theta : \mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(G).$$

We will show that this map is an algebra isomorphism.

Let  $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(G)$  be an automorphism and  $\lambda : G/O_p(G) \rightarrow k^\times$  be a character, where  $O_p(G)$  denotes the largest normal  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ . We define a  $(kG, kG)$ -bimodule structure on  $kG$ , denoted by  $kG_{\varphi, \lambda}$ , via

$$a \cdot g \cdot b := \lambda(b)ag\varphi(b)$$

for  $a, b, g \in G$ .

Let  $\langle Rt \rangle$  be a twisted diagonal subgroup of  $G \times G$  with  $p_1(\langle Rt \rangle) = G$  and  $p_2(\langle Rt \rangle) = G$ . Let also  $\eta : p_1(\langle Rt \rangle) \rightarrow p_2(\langle Rt \rangle)$  be the canonical isomorphism. Then by [5, Section 4.1.2] we have an isomorphism

$$\text{Ind}_{\langle Rt \rangle}^{G \times G} k_{\langle Rt \rangle, \varphi}^{\langle Rt \rangle} \cong kG_{\eta^{-1}, \varphi^{-1}}$$

of  $(kG, kG)$ -bimodules. Again by [5, Section 4.1.2] the algebra  $\mathcal{E}(G)$  is generated by the images of  $kG_{\varphi, \lambda}$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *If the essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  of a finite group  $G$  is non-zero, then there exists a pair  $(P, s)$  in  $G$  such that  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$  and  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(Q, t)$  be a pair contained in  $G \times G$  such that  $Q$  is a twisted diagonal subgroup and recall the idempotent formula

$$F_{Q,t}^{G \times G} = \frac{1}{|C_{N_{G \times G}(Q)}(t)|} \sum_{\substack{\varphi \in \widehat{\langle t \rangle} \\ L \leq Q \\ L^t = L}} \tilde{\varphi}(t^{-1}) |C_L(t)| \mu((L, Q)^t) \text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{G \times G} k_{L,\varphi}^{(Qt)}.$$

By [5, Lemma 2.5.9] we have an isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{G \times G} k_{L,\varphi}^{(Qt)} &\cong \text{Ind}_{p_1(\langle Lt \rangle)}^G \otimes_{p_1(\langle Lt \rangle)} \text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{p_1(\langle Lt \rangle) \times p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)} (k_{L,\varphi}^{(Qt)}) \otimes_{p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)} \text{Res}_{p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)}^G \\ &\cong kG \otimes_{p_1(\langle Lt \rangle)} \text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{p_1(\langle Lt \rangle) \times p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)} (k_{L,\varphi}^{(Qt)}) \otimes_{p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)} kG \end{aligned}$$

of  $(kG, kG)$ -bimodules. As  $(kG, kG)$ -bimodule, we have the isomorphism  $kG \cong \text{Ind}_{\Delta G}^{G \times G} k$ . Thus as  $(kG, kp_1(\langle Lt \rangle))$ -bimodule we have,

$$\text{Res}_{G \times p_1(\langle Lt \rangle)}^{G \times G} kG \cong \text{Res}_{G \times p_1(\langle Lt \rangle)}^{G \times G} \text{Ind}_{\Delta G}^{G \times G} k \cong \text{Ind}_{\Delta(p_1(\langle Lt \rangle))}^{G \times p_1(\langle Lt \rangle)} \text{Res}_{\Delta(p_1(\langle Lt \rangle))}^{\Delta(G)} k.$$

Therefore as  $(kG \times p_1(\langle Lt \rangle))$ -module, the indecomposable direct summands of  $kG$  have vertices contained in  $\Delta(p_1(\langle Lt \rangle))$ . Similarly, one can show that the indecomposable direct summands of  $kG$  as  $k(p_2(\langle Lt \rangle) \times G)$ -module, have vertices contained in  $\Delta(p_2(\langle Lt \rangle))$ . We also know that the module  $k_{L,\varphi}^{(Qt)}$ , and hence the indecomposable direct summands of  $\text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{p_1(\langle Lt \rangle) \times p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)} (k_{L,\varphi}^{(Qt)})$ , have twisted diagonal vertices. Now suppose  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is non-zero. Then there is an idempotent  $F_{Q,t}^{G \times G}$  whose image in  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is non-zero. Therefore the argument above shows that there is a pair  $(Q, t)$  in  $G \times G$  such that  $p_1(\langle Qt \rangle) = G$  and  $p_2(\langle Qt \rangle) = G$ . This implies that there is a  $p$ -subgroup  $P$  of  $G$  and a  $p'$ -element  $s$  of  $G$  that normalises  $P$  such that  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$ . Now we will show that in that case we have  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ .

Let  $\overline{G} := G/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P)$ ,  $Q := \{(u, \bar{u}) : u \in P\} \leq G \times \overline{G}$  and  $Q' := \{(\bar{u}, u) : u \in P\} \leq \overline{G} \times G$ . Then by [5, Proof of Proposition 4.1.2] we have an isomorphism between  $kG$  and

$$\bigoplus_i \text{Indinf}_{\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}^{G \times \overline{G}} (kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha_i}) \otimes_{k\overline{G}} \text{Indinf}_{\overline{N}_{\overline{G} \times G}(Q')}^{\overline{G} \times G} (kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha'_i})$$

as  $(kG, kG)$ -bimodules, where  $\text{Indinf}_{\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}^{G \times \overline{G}} = \text{Ind}_{\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}^{G \times \overline{G}} \circ \text{Inf}_{\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}^{N_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}$ . Here  $\alpha_i$  and  $\alpha'_i$  run over the irreducible characters of  $\langle s \rangle$ . Again by [5, Proof of Proposition 4.1.2] for each  $i$ , the modules  $kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha_i}$  and  $kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha'_i}$

are projective indecomposable  $k\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)$ -modules and  $k\overline{N}_{\overline{G} \times G}(Q')$ -modules respectively. Now since  $kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha_i}$  is projective indecomposable, it has the trivial group as vertex. So  $\text{Inf}_{\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}^{N_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}(kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha_i})$  has the group  $Q$  as a vertex. Note that the group  $Q$  is twisted diagonal. Therefore indecomposable direct summands of  $\text{Indinf}_{\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}^{G \times \overline{G}}(kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha_i})$  have twisted diagonal vertices, i.e.  $\text{Indinf}_{\overline{N}_{G \times \overline{G}}(Q)}^{G \times \overline{G}}(kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha_i}) \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, \overline{G})$ . Similarly, we have  $\text{Indinf}_{\overline{N}_{\overline{G} \times G}(Q')}^{\overline{G} \times G}(kC_G(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) \otimes_k k_{\alpha'_i}) \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(\overline{G}, G)$ . Now since  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \neq 0$ , the image of identity element  $kG \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, G)$  in  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is non-zero. Hence we have  $\overline{G} = G$ , i.e.  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ .  $\square$

Suppose we have  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$  and  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ . The essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is generated by the images of the primitive idempotents

$$F_{Q,t}^{G \times G} = \frac{1}{|C_{N_{G \times G}(Q)}(t)|} \sum_{\substack{\varphi \in \widehat{\langle t \rangle} \\ L \leq Q \\ L^t = L}} \tilde{\varphi}(t^{-1}) |C_L(t)| \mu((L, Q)^t) \text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{G \times G} k_{L, \varphi}^{\langle Qt \rangle}$$

where  $Q$  is a twisted diagonal subgroup of  $G \times G$ . By [5, Lemma 2.5.9], if the image of  $\text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{G \times G} k_{L, \varphi}^{\langle Qt \rangle}$  is non-zero, then we must have that  $p_1(\langle Lt \rangle) = G = p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)$ . Write  $t = (u, v)$ . Then  $p_1(\langle Lt \rangle) = \langle p_1(L)u \rangle$  and  $p_2(\langle Lt \rangle) = \langle p_2(L)v \rangle$ . Therefore we have  $|u| = |v| = |s|$ . Being a subgroup of twisted diagonal subgroup  $Q$ , the group  $L$  itself is also twisted diagonal. Since  $k_1(L) = k_2(L) = 1$  and  $|u| = |v| = |s|$ , we have  $k_1(\langle Lt \rangle) = k_2(\langle Lt \rangle) = 1$ . This shows that the subgroup  $\langle Lt \rangle$  is twisted diagonal and  $p_1(\langle Lt \rangle) = G = p_2(\langle Lt \rangle)$ . Since the images of  $\text{Ind}_{\langle Lt \rangle}^{G \times G} k_{L, \varphi}^{\langle Qt \rangle}$  in  $\mathcal{E}(G)$  with  $\langle Lt \rangle$  satisfying these properties, generate the non-zero algebra  $\mathcal{E}(G)$ , this shows that the algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is also non-zero and the map  $\Theta : \mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(G)$  is surjective. Thus we have proved the following:

**Proposition 3.2.** *The essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is non-zero if and only if there is a pair  $(P, s)$  in  $G$  such that  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$  and  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ . Moreover the map  $\Theta : \mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(G)$  is surjective.*

Suppose we have  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$  for some pair and  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ . We will show that the map  $\Theta : \mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(G)$  is also injective.

Suppose an element  $\sum r_{\varphi, \alpha} k_{G_{\varphi, \alpha}} \in \mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is mapped to zero by  $\Theta$ . Then the element  $\sum r_{\varphi, \alpha} k_{G_{\varphi, \alpha}}$  of  $\mathcal{E}(G)$  is zero. Write

$$\sum r_{\varphi, \alpha} k_{G_{\varphi, \alpha}} = \sum_{|H| < |G|} t_{H, U_H, V_H} U_H \otimes_{kH} V_H$$



for some  $(kG, kH)$ -bimodule  $U_H$  and  $(kH, kG)$ -bimodule  $V_H$  and some constants  $t_{H,U_H,V_H} \in \mathbb{F}$ . Suppose the coefficient  $t_{H,U_H,V_H}$  is non-zero for some group  $H$ . Then as in [5] we can assume that  $H = \langle Rt \rangle$  for some pair  $(R, t)$  and that the modules  $U_H$  and  $V_H$  are indecomposable. By [5, Section 4.1] one has

$$U_H \otimes_{kH} V_H \cong \text{Indinf}_{\overline{N}_{G \times G}(\Delta(P))}^{G \times G} \bigoplus_i (kZ(P) \otimes k\lambda_i)^{n_i}$$

where  $\lambda_i$  is a character of  $\langle s \rangle$  and  $n_i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Again by [5, Section 4.1] each summand  $kZ(P) \otimes k\lambda_i$  is a projective indecomposable  $k\overline{N}_{G \times G}(\Delta(P))$ -module. This shows that if the coefficient  $t_{H,U_H,V_H}$  is non-zero, then the indecomposable direct summands of the bimodule  $U_H \otimes_{kH} V_H$  have twisted diagonal vertices. Therefore the element  $\sum r_{\varphi,\alpha} \overline{kG_{\varphi,\alpha}}$  is zero in  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$ . This proves that the map  $\Theta : \mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(G)$  is injective. We summarise our results as a theorem below.

**Theorem 3.3.** *The essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is non-zero if and only if there is a pair  $(P, s)$  in  $G$  such that  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$  and  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ . In that case, the algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$  is isomorphic to the algebra  $(\mathbb{F}[X]/\Phi_n[X]) \rtimes \text{Out}(G)$  where  $n$  is the order of  $s$ .*

#### 4. $D^\Delta$ -pairs

Let  $H \leq G$  be a subgroup. The  $(kG, kH)$ -bimodule  $kG$  is denoted by  $\text{Ind}_H^G$  and  $(kH, kG)$ -bimodule  $kG$  is denoted by  $\text{Res}_H^G$ . Similarly, if  $N \trianglelefteq G$  is a normal subgroup, the  $(kG/N, kG)$ -bimodule  $kG/N$  is denoted by  $\text{Def}_{G/N}^G$  and  $(kG, kG/N)$ -bimodule  $kG/N$  is denoted by  $\text{Inf}_{G/N}^G$ . This notation is consistent with our previous use of induction, restriction, inflation and deflation symbols, in the sense that for example, if  $M$  is a  $kH$ -module, then the induced module  $\text{Ind}_H^G M$  is isomorphic to  $\text{Ind}_H^G \otimes_{kH} M$ .

We have the following lemma due to [3] and [5].

**Lemma 4.1.** *(i) Let  $(P, s) \in \mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$  be a pair and  $H \leq G$  be a subgroup. Then we have*

$$\text{Res}_H^G F_{P,s}^G = \sum_{Q,t} F_{Q,t}^H$$

where  $(Q, t)$  runs over a set of representatives of  $H$ -conjugacy classes of  $G$ -conjugates of  $(P, s)$  contained in  $H$ .

(ii) Let  $(Q, t) \in \mathcal{Q}_{H,p}$  be a pair and  $H \leq G$  be a subgroup. Then we have

$$\text{Ind}_H^G F_{Q,t}^H = |N_G(Q, t) : N_H(Q, t)| F_{Q,t}^G.$$

(iii) Let  $N \trianglelefteq G$  and  $(P, s) \in \mathcal{Q}_{G/N,p}$ . Then

$$\text{Inf}_{G/N}^G F_{P,s}^{G/N} = \sum_{Q,t} F_{Q,t}^G$$

where  $(Q, t)$  runs over a set of representatives of  $G$ -conjugacy classes of pairs in  $\mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$  such that  $QN/N = \bar{g}P$  and  $\bar{t} = {}^g s$  for some  $\bar{g} \in G/N$ .

(iv) Let  $N \trianglelefteq G$  and  $(P, s) \in \mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$ . Then

$$\text{Def}_{G/N}^G F_{P,s}^G = m_{P,s,N} \cdot F_{Q,t}^{G/N}$$

for some pair  $(Q, t) \in \mathcal{Q}_{G/N,p}$  and a constant  $m_{P,s,N} \in \mathbb{F}$ .  
If  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$  then

$$\text{Def}_{G/N}^G F_{P,s}^G = m_{P,s,N} \cdot F_{PN/N, \bar{s}}^{G/N}.$$

*Proof.* See [3, Proposition 3.1. and Proposition 3.2.] for (i) and (ii), [5, Proposition 3.1.3] for (iii) and [5, Lemma 3.1.4 and Proposition 3.1.5] for (iv).  $\square$

**Lemma 4.2.** Let  $N \trianglelefteq G$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

(i) We have  $\text{Def}_{G/N}^G \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G/N, G)$  if and only if  $N$  is a  $p'$ -group.

(ii) We have  $\text{Inf}_{G/N}^G \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, G/N)$  if and only if  $N$  is a  $p'$ -group.

*Proof.* (i) Let  $Q \leq (G/N) \times G$  be a maximal vertex of an indecomposable direct summand of the  $(kG/N, kG)$ -bimodule  $kG/N$ . Equivalently  $Q$  is a maximal  $p$ -subgroup having a fixed point on the set  $G/N$ . Suppose  $(aN, b) \in Q$  stabilises a basis element  $gN$  of  $kG/N$ . Then we have  $(aN)gNb^{-1} = gN$  which implies that  $a^g \cdot b^{-1} \in N$ . Since the vertices of an indecomposable module are conjugate, we may assume that  $g = 1$ . Thus, up to conjugacy,  $Q$  is a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of

$$H = \{(aN, b) : ab^{-1} \in N\} \leq (G/N) \times G.$$

Note that  $k_1(Q) = k_1(H) = 1$  and  $k_2(Q)$  is a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $N$ . Hence  $Q$  is twisted diagonal if and only if  $N$  is a  $p'$ -group. The result follows.

(ii) Similar.  $\square$

Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair and suppose  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$ . Then by [5, Corollary 3.1.9] for any normal subgroup  $N$  of  $G$ , we have the following formula for the constant  $m_{P,s,N}$ :

$$m_{P,s,N} = \frac{|s|}{|N \cap \langle s \rangle| |C_G(s)|} \sum_{\substack{Q \leq P \\ Q^s = Q \\ \langle Qs \rangle N = G}} |C_Q(s)| \mu((Q, P)^s).$$

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair and suppose  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$ . Then for any normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $N$  of  $G$  we have*

$$m_{P,s,N} = \frac{1}{|N|}.$$

*Proof.* First observe that since  $N$  is a  $p'$ -group, we have  $N \leq C_{\langle s \rangle}(P)$ . For any subgroup  $Q$  of  $P$  the condition  $\langle Qs \rangle N = \langle Ps \rangle$  implies that  $|Q| = |P|$  and hence  $Q = P$ . Therefore the formula above becomes

$$m_{P,s,N} = \frac{|s| |C_P(s)|}{|N| |C_G(s)|} = \frac{1}{|N|}.$$

□

**Definition 4.4.** *A pair  $(P, s)$  is called  $D^\Delta$ -pair if  $\text{Def}_{\langle Ps \rangle/N}^{\langle Ps \rangle} F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle} = 0$  for any nontrivial normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $N$  of  $\langle Ps \rangle$ .*

**Lemma 4.5.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair. Then  $(P, s)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair if and only if the group  $\langle Ps \rangle$  does not have any nontrivial normal  $p'$ -subgroup, that is, if and only if  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 4.3, for any normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $N \trianglelefteq \langle Ps \rangle$  we have  $m_{P,s,N} = 1/|N|$ . Therefore  $(P, s)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair if and only if the group  $\langle Ps \rangle$  does not have any nontrivial normal  $p'$ -subgroup. The result follows. □

## 5. The functor $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$

By [2], the simple diagonal  $p$ -permutation functors are parametrized by the pairs  $(G, V)$  where  $G$  is a finite group and  $V$  is a simple  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$ -module. Note that this implies  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G) \neq 0$ .

For a simple  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)$ -module  $V$ , we define two functors in  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  by:

$$L_{G,V}(H) := \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G) \otimes_{\mathcal{E}^\Delta(G)} V$$

and

$$J_{G,V}(H) := \left\{ \sum_i \phi_i \otimes v_i \in L_{G,V} : \forall \psi \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, H), \sum_i (\psi \circ \phi_i) \cdot v_i = 0 \right\},$$

for any finite group  $H$ . The action of morphisms in  $\mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta$  on these evaluations is given by left composition. The functor  $J_{G,V}$  is the unique maximal subfunctor of  $L_{G,V}$ , so the quotient

$$S_{G,V} := L_{G,V}/J_{G,V}$$

is a simple functor [2].

Let  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta : \mathbb{F}pp_k^\Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{F}\text{-Mod}$  be the functor given by

- $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G) := \mathbb{F} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} T(G) = \mathbb{F}T(G)$ ,
- $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(X) : \mathbb{F}T(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}T(H), M \mapsto X \otimes_{kH} M$  for any  $X \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G)$ .

For any  $kG$ -module  $X$ , we denote by  $\tilde{X}$  the  $(kG, kG)$ -bimodule  $k(G \times X)$  where the action of  $kG$ - $kG$  is given by

$$a \cdot (g, x) \cdot b^{-1} := (agb, b^{-1}x)$$

for all  $a, b, g \in G$  and  $x \in X$ . We have an isomorphism of  $(kG, kG)$ -bimodules

$$\tilde{X} \cong \text{Ind}_{\delta(G)}^{G \times G^{op}} \text{Iso}(\delta)(X)$$

where  $\delta : G \rightarrow G \times G^{op}$ ,  $g \mapsto (g, g^{-1})$ . See [5, Definition 2.5.17]. Note that the image  $\delta(G)$  of  $G$  in  $G \times G^{op}$  is a twisted diagonal subgroup. If  $X$  is an indecomposable  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -module with a vertex  $Q$ , then any vertex of an indecomposable direct summand of  $\tilde{X}$  is contained in  $\delta(Q)$ , up to conjugation. Therefore for any  $X \in \mathbb{F}T(G)$  we have  $\tilde{X} \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, G)$ .

**Lemma 5.1.** *Let  $F$  be a subfunctor of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$ . Then for any finite group  $G$ , the  $\mathbb{F}$ -vector space  $F(G)$  is an ideal of the algebra  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G)$  of  $p$ -permutation modules.*

*Proof.* Let  $Y \in F(G)$  and assume  $X$  is a  $p$ -permutation  $kG$ -module. By [5, Proposition 2.5.18] we have an isomorphism  $X \otimes_k Y \cong \tilde{X} \otimes_{kG} Y$  of  $kG$ -modules. Since  $\tilde{X} \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G, G)$  and  $F$  is a functor, we have  $\tilde{X} \otimes_{kG} Y \in F(G)$ . This shows that  $F(G)$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 5.2.** *For any pair  $(P, s)$  let  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  denote the subfunctor of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  generated by the idempotent  $F_{P,s}^{(Ps)} \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(\langle Ps \rangle)$ .*

**Proposition 5.3.** *Let  $F$  be a subfunctor of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$ . Then we have*

$$F = \sum_{\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}.$$

*Proof.* Since  $F$  is a subfunctor, we have

$$\sum_{\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F} \mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F.$$

Now let  $G$  be a finite group, and  $u = \sum_{(P,s)} \lambda_{P,s} F_{P,s}^G$ , where  $(P, s)$  runs in a set of representatives of  $G$ -conjugacy classes of  $\mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$ , and  $\lambda_{P,s} \in \mathbb{F}$ . Then  $F_{P,s}^G \cdot u = \lambda_{P,s} F_{P,s}^G \in F(G)$ , since  $F(G)$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(G)$ . Hence  $F_{P,s}^G \in F(G)$  if  $\lambda_{P,s} \neq 0$ . In this case we have  $\text{Res}_{\langle Ps \rangle}^G F_{P,s}^G \in F(\langle Ps \rangle)$ , which implies by Lemma 4.1 that  $F_{P,s}^{(Ps)} \in F(\langle Ps \rangle)$ . This shows that  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F$ . By Lemma 4.1 again,  $F_{P,s}^G$  is a non zero scalar multiple of  $\text{Ind}_{\langle Ps \rangle}^G F_{P,s}^{(Ps)}$ , so  $F_{P,s}^G \in \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(G)$ , which gives finally

$$u \in \sum_{\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(G).$$

Therefore we have

$$F = \sum_{\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$$

as desired.  $\square$

**Proposition 5.4.** *Let  $(P_i, s_i)_{i \in I}$  be a set of pairs for an indexing set  $I$ . Then for any pair  $(Q, t)$  we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \sum_{i \in I} \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}$  if and only if  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}$  for some  $i \in I$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}$  for some  $i \in I$ , then we obviously have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \sum_{i \in I} \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}$ . Conversely assume we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \sum_{i \in I} \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}$ . Then  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t}(\langle Qt \rangle) \leq \sum_{i \in I} \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}(\langle Qt \rangle)$  and so  $F_{Q,t}^{(Qt)} \in \sum_{i \in I} \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}(\langle Qt \rangle)$ . Since  $F_{Q,t}^{(Qt)}$  is a primitive idempotent and since  $\mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}(\langle Qt \rangle)$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(\langle Qt \rangle)$  it follows that we have  $F_{Q,t}^{(Qt)} \in \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}(\langle Qt \rangle)$  for some  $i \in I$  and hence  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P_i, s_i}$ .  $\square$

Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $(P, s) \in \mathcal{Q}_{G,p}$  be a pair such that  $G = \langle Ps \rangle$ . Let also  $(Q, t) \in \mathcal{Q}_{H \times G, p}^\Delta$  for a finite group  $H$ . Suppose that  $\eta : p_1(Q) \rightarrow p_2(Q)$  is the canonical isomorphism. Up to conjugation in  $H \times G$ , we can assume  $t = (u, s^j)$ . By [5, Section 3.2] if  $p_2(\langle Qt \rangle) \neq G$ , then the product  $F_{Q,t}^{H \times G} \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G$  is zero. So assume that we have  $p_2(\langle Qt \rangle) = G$ . This implies that we have  $p_2(Q) = P$  and  $|s^j| = |s|$ .

Then since  $k_1(Q) = k_2(Q) = 1$ , this implies that we have  $p_1(Q) \cong P$ . Since the group  $Q$  is  $t$ -stable, the isomorphism  $\eta : p_1(Q) \rightarrow P$  commutes with conjugations by  $u$  and  $s^j$ . Now [5, Equation (3.3), Section 3.2] implies that as  $kH$ -module the product  $F_{Q,t}^{H \times G} \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G$  is equal to

$$\frac{1}{|C_{N_{H \times G}}(Q)(t)||C_G(s)|} \sum_{\substack{\varphi \in \overline{\langle t \rangle} \\ \psi \in \overline{\langle s \rangle} \\ \varphi^{|u|} \psi^{|j|} = 1}} \tilde{\varphi}(t)^{-1} \tilde{\psi}(s)^{-1} |C_Q(t)| \sum_{\substack{J \leq p_1(Q) \\ J^u = J}} \sigma(J) \text{Ind}_{\langle Ju \rangle}^H (k_{\langle Ju, \phi \rangle}^{\langle p_1(Q)u \rangle})$$

where  $\sigma(J) := \sum_{\substack{L \leq P \\ L^s = L \\ \eta(J) = L}} |C_L(s)| \mu((L, P)^s)$  and  $\phi(u) := \varphi(u, s^j) \psi(s)^j$ .

Suppose we have  $H = \langle P's' \rangle$  for a pair  $(P', s')$ . Then by [5, Lemma 2.7.6] if  $\tau_{P',s'}^H(F_{Q,t}^{H \times G} \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G) \neq 0$ , then we must have  $p_1(Q) = P'$  and  $|u| = |s'|$ . This implies in particular that we must have  $P' \cong P$ . Moreover again by [5, Lemma 2.7.6] we have  $\tau_{P',s'}^H(\text{Ind}_{\langle Ju \rangle}^H (k_{\langle Ju, \phi \rangle}^{\langle p_1(Q)u \rangle})) = 0$  if  $J \neq P'$ . Therefore if we have  $P' \cong P$  then  $\tau_{P',s'}^H(F_{Q,t}^{H \times G} \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G)$  is equal to

$$\frac{1}{|C_{N_{H \times G}}(Q)(t)||C_G(s)|} \sum_{\substack{\varphi \in \overline{\langle t \rangle} \\ \psi \in \overline{\langle s \rangle} \\ \varphi^{|u|} \psi^{|j|} = 1}} \tilde{\varphi}(t)^{-1} \tilde{\psi}(s)^{-1} |C_Q(t)||C_P(s)| \tilde{\phi}(s').$$

This shows that if we have  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(\langle P's' \rangle, \langle Ps \rangle) \otimes_{k\langle Ps \rangle} F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \neq 0$ , then there is an isomorphism  $\eta : P' \rightarrow P$  and a  $p'$ -element  $(u, s^j) \in \langle P's' \rangle \times \langle Ps \rangle$  such that  $\eta \circ c_u = c_{s^j} \circ \eta$  and  $|u| = |s'|$ ,  $|s^j| = |s|$ . In that case, assume further that  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ . Then we have  $|c_s| = |s|$  and  $|c_{s^j}| = |s^j|$ . Since we have  $\eta \circ c_u = c_{s^j} \circ \eta$  it follows that  $|c_u| = |c_{s^j}|$ . Therefore we have  $|s| \mid |s'|$ . But then [5, Proposition 2.3.6] implies that there is a surjective group homomorphism  $\bar{\eta} : \langle P's' \rangle \rightarrow \langle Ps \rangle$  that induces an isomorphism of pairs  $(P' \ker(\bar{\eta}) / \ker(\bar{\eta}), s' \ker(\bar{\eta})) \simeq (P, s)$ . Note that since  $|P'| = |P|$  the order of  $\ker(\bar{\eta})$  is coprime to  $p$ . We have the following:

**Lemma 5.5.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair with  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$  and set  $G := \langle Ps \rangle$ . Let  $H$  be a finite group. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G) \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G \neq 0$ .
- (ii) *There exists a pair  $(P', s')$  contained in  $H$  such that the pair  $(P, s)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(P', s')$ , that is, there exists a normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $K$  of  $\langle P's' \rangle$  such that  $(P, s) \simeq (P'K/K, s'K)$ .*

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Suppose we have  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G) \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G \neq 0$ . Then there exists a pair  $(P', s')$  in  $H$  such that

$$F_{P',s'}^H \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, G) \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G.$$

Via the restriction map this implies that we have

$$F_{P',s'}^{\langle P's' \rangle} \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(\langle P's' \rangle, G) \otimes_{kG} F_{P,s}^G.$$

Therefore by the argument above we have an isomorphism  $(P'K/K, s'K) \simeq (P, s)$  of pairs where  $K$  is a normal  $p'$ -subgroup of  $\langle P's' \rangle$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Suppose  $\Phi : (P'K/K, s'K) \rightarrow (P, s)$  is an isomorphism of pairs where  $K$  is a normal  $p'$ -subgroup of  $\langle P's' \rangle$ . Then we have

$$\text{Ind}_{\langle P's' \rangle}^H \text{Inf}_{\langle P's' \rangle/K}^{\langle P's' \rangle} \text{Iso}(\Phi) F_{P,s}^G \neq 0.$$

This shows (i). □

**Proposition 5.6.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair. The following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $(P, s)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair.
- (ii) For any finite group  $H$  with  $|H| < |\langle Ps \rangle|$ , we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H) = \{0\}$ .
- (iii) If  $H$  is a finite group with  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H) \neq \{0\}$ , then the pair  $(P, s)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of a pair  $(P', s')$  contained in  $H$ .
- (iv) For any nontrivial normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $N$  of  $\langle Ps \rangle$ , we have  $\text{Def}_{\langle Ps \rangle/N}^{\langle Ps \rangle} F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle} = 0$ .
- (v) The group  $\langle Ps \rangle$  does not have any nontrivial normal  $p'$ -subgroup.
- (vi) We have  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ .

*Proof.* (vi)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (v)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (i) : This follows from Lemma 4.5.

(iv)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (i) : This follows from the definition of  $D^\Delta$ -pairs.

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) : Since  $(P, s)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, we have  $C_{\langle s \rangle}(P) = 1$ . So (iii) follows from Lemma 5.5.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) : Assume that (iii) holds and  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H) \neq \{0\}$  where  $H$  is a finite group with  $|H| < |\langle Ps \rangle|$ . Then by the assumption, we have  $|H| \geq |\langle P's' \rangle| \geq |\langle Ps \rangle|$ . Contradiction.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) : Clear. □

**Proposition 5.7.** *Let  $(P, s)$  and  $(Q, t)$  be two pairs.*

(i) If the pair  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(P, s)$ , then we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} = \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}$ .

(ii) If  $(Q, t)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, and if  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}$ , then  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of  $(P, s)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Assume we have an isomorphism  $\phi : (PK/K, sK) \rightarrow (Q, t)$  of pairs for some normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $K$  of  $\langle Ps \rangle$ . Then we have

$$F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \otimes_k \text{Inf}_{\langle Ps \rangle/K}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \text{Iso}(\phi^{-1}) F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle} \neq 0.$$

Therefore we have  $F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \in \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}(\langle Ps \rangle)$  which implies that  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}$ .

Now we also have

$$F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle} \otimes_k \text{Iso}(\phi) \text{Def}_{\langle Ps \rangle/K}^{\langle Ps \rangle} F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \neq 0$$

which implies that  $F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle} \in \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(\langle Qt \rangle)$ . Therefore we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  and so  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} = \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  as desired.

(ii) Since  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}$ , we have  $F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle} \in \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}(\langle Ps \rangle)$ . Since  $(Q, t)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, by the proof of Lemma 5.5, there exists a normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $K$  of  $\langle Ps \rangle$  such that  $(Q, t) \simeq (PK/K, sK)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 5.8.** *Let  $F$  be a nonzero subfunctor of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$ . If  $H$  is a minimal group of  $F$ , then  $H = \langle Qt \rangle$  for some  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(Q, t)$ . Moreover we have*

$$F(H) \leq \bigoplus_{\substack{(Q', t'), D^\Delta\text{-pair} \\ \langle Q' t' \rangle = H}} \mathbb{F} F_{Q', t'}^H$$

and  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq F$ .

*In particular, if  $F = \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}$  for some  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(Q, t)$ , then we have*

$$\mathbf{e}_{Q,t}(\langle Qt \rangle) = \bigoplus_{\substack{(Q', t') \simeq (Q, t) \\ \langle Q' t' \rangle = \langle Qt \rangle}} \mathbb{F} F_{Q', t'}^H.$$

*Proof.* Let  $F$  be a nonzero subfunctor of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  and assume  $H$  is a minimal group of  $F$ . Since  $F(H) \neq 0$ , there exists a pair  $(Q, t) \in \mathcal{Q}_{H,p}$  such that  $F_{Q,t}^H \in F(H)$ . This implies, via the restriction map, that we have  $F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle} \in F(\langle Qt \rangle)$ . Since  $H$  is a minimal group, this implies that we have  $H = \langle Qt \rangle$ . Now if  $N$  is a normal  $p'$ -subgroup of



$\langle Qt \rangle$ , then  $\text{Def}_{\langle Qt \rangle/N}^{\langle Qt \rangle} F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle} = \frac{1}{|N|} F_{Q/N, tN}^{\langle Qt \rangle/N} \neq 0$ . Again since  $H$  is a minimal group this means that  $N$  is trivial and hence the pair  $(Q, t)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair. It follows moreover that

$$F(H) \leq \bigoplus_{\substack{(Q', t'), D^\Delta\text{-pair} \\ \langle Q't' \rangle = H}} \mathbb{F} F_{Q', t'}^H.$$

For the last part, consider the functor  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t}$  for some  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(Q, t)$ . If  $F_{Q', t'}^{\langle Qt \rangle} \in \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}(\langle Qt \rangle)$  for some  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(Q', t')$ , then by the second part of Proposition 5.7, the pair  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(Q', t')$ . But the pair  $(Q', t')$  is contained in  $\langle Qt \rangle$ . Thus we have  $(Q', t') \simeq (Q, t)$ .

Conversely, if the pairs  $(Q', t')$  and  $(Q, t)$  are isomorphic via a map  $\phi$ , then we have  $F_{Q', t'}^{\langle Qt \rangle} = \text{Iso}(\phi) F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle}$ . Therefore we have

$$\mathbf{e}_{Q,t}(\langle Qt \rangle) = \bigoplus_{\substack{(Q', t') \simeq (Q, t) \\ \langle Q't' \rangle = \langle Qt \rangle}} \mathbb{F} F_{Q', t'}^H.$$

□

Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair and  $N$  a normal  $p'$ -subgroup of  $\langle Ps \rangle$ . Then the pair  $(PN/N, sN)$  is a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(P, s)$  and so by Proposition 5.7 we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} = \mathbf{e}_{PN/N, sN}$ .

**Proposition 5.9.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair. Then the group  $\langle Ps \rangle / C_{\langle s \rangle}(P)$  is the unique, up to isomorphism, minimal group of the functor  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . Moreover there is a unique isomorphism class of  $D^\Delta$ -pairs  $(P', s')$  such that  $\langle P's' \rangle \cong \langle Ps \rangle / C_{\langle s \rangle}(P)$  and we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P',s'} = \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . Furthermore we have  $(P', s') \simeq (PC_{\langle s \rangle}(P) / C_{\langle s \rangle}(P), sC_{\langle s \rangle}(P))$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(P', s')$  be a  $D^\Delta$ -pair such that  $\langle P's' \rangle$  is a minimal group of the functor  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . By Proposition 5.8, we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P',s'} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . Let  $N := C_{\langle s \rangle}(P)$ . Then the pair  $(PN/N, sN)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, and we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} = \mathbf{e}_{PN/N, sN}$ . Since  $(PN/N, sN)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, by Proposition 5.7 there exists a normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $K$  of  $\langle P's' \rangle$  such that  $(P'K/K, s'K) \simeq (PN/N, sN)$ . This means that the idempotent  $F_{P'K/K, s'K}^{\langle P's' \rangle/K}$  is in the evaluation at  $\langle P's' \rangle/K$  of the functor  $\mathbf{e}_{PN/N, sN} = \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . Since the group  $\langle P's' \rangle$  is a minimal group of  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  it follows that we must have  $K = 1$ . Thus we have  $(P', s') \simeq (PN/N, sN)$ . Therefore we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P',s'} = \mathbf{e}_{PN/N, sN} = \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ .

Now we will show the uniqueness of the isomorphism class of the minimal groups of  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . Let  $H$  be a minimal group of  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . It suffices to show that  $H$  is isomorphic to  $\langle P's' \rangle$ . By Proposition 5.8 the group  $H$  is of the form  $H = \langle Qt \rangle$  for some  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(Q, t)$ . By the first part of the proof we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} = \mathbf{e}_{P,s} = \mathbf{e}_{P',s'}$ . Since both  $(Q, t)$

and  $(P, s)$  are  $D^\Delta$ -pairs, the equality  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} = \mathbf{e}_{P',s'}$  implies that  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of  $(P, s)$ , and vice versa. Therefore we have  $(Q, t) \simeq (P', s')$  which implies that  $H = \langle Qt \rangle \cong \langle P's' \rangle$  as desired.  $\square$

For any pair  $(P, s)$  we denote by  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  a representative of the isomorphism class of the pair  $(PC_{\langle s \rangle}(P)/C_{\langle s \rangle}(P), sC_{\langle s \rangle}(P))$ .

**Theorem 5.10.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair.*

(i) *If  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of  $(P, s)$  and if  $(Q, t)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, then  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to the pair  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$ . In particular, for any normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $N \trianglelefteq \langle Ps \rangle$ , we have  $(PN/N, sN) \simeq (\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  if and only if  $(PN/N, sN)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair.*

(ii) *Let  $N \trianglelefteq \langle Ps \rangle$  be a normal  $p'$ -subgroup. Then the pair  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of  $(PN/N, sN)$  and we have  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s}) \simeq (\widetilde{PN/N}, \widetilde{sN})$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Since the pair  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(P, s)$ , by Proposition 5.7, we have  $\mathbf{e}_{\tilde{P}, \tilde{s}} = \mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}$ . Since  $(Q, t)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, again by Proposition 5.7, the pair  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$ . But since the pair  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, it follows that the pair  $(Q, t)$  is isomorphic to the pair  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$ .

(ii) Since the constant  $m_{P,s,N}$  is non-zero, we have  $F_{PN/N, sN}^{\langle Ps \rangle/N} \in \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(\langle Ps \rangle/N) = \mathbf{e}_{\tilde{P}, \tilde{s}}(\langle Ps \rangle/N)$ . Therefore we have  $\mathbf{e}_{PN/N, sN} \leq \mathbf{e}_{\tilde{P}, \tilde{s}}$  and since  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, by Proposition 5.7,  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of  $(PN/N, sN)$ . Again since the pair  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, by part (i), it is isomorphic to the pair  $(\widetilde{PN/N}, \widetilde{sN})$ .  $\square$

Let  $[D^\Delta\text{-pair}]$  denote a set of isomorphism classes of  $D^\Delta$ -pairs. Then the subfunctor lattice of the functor  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  is isomorphic to the lattice of subsets of the set  $[D^\Delta\text{-pair}]$  ordered by inclusion.

**Theorem 5.11.** *Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the lattice of subfunctors of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  ordered by inclusion of subfunctors. Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be the lattice of subsets of  $[D^\Delta\text{-pair}]$  ordered by inclusion of subsets. Then the map*

$$\Theta : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$$

*that sends a subfunctor  $F$  to the set  $\{(P, s) \in [D^\Delta\text{-pair}] : \mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F\}$ , is an isomorphism of lattices with inverse*

$$\Psi : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$$

*that sends a subset  $A$  to the functor  $\sum_{(P,s) \in A} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ .*

*Proof.* We need to show that the maps  $\Theta$  and  $\Psi$  are inverse of each other. Let  $F \in \mathcal{S}$  be a subfunctor. By Proposition 5.3 we have

$$F = \sum_{\substack{(P,s) \in \Gamma \\ \mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F}} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$$

where  $\Gamma$  is a set of representatives of the isomorphism classes of pairs. But for any pair  $(P, s)$  we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} = \mathbf{e}_{\tilde{P}, \tilde{s}}$  and  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair. Therefore we have

$$F = \sum_{\substack{(P,s) \in [D^\Delta\text{-pair}] \\ \mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F}} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}.$$

This shows that  $\Psi(\Theta(F)) = F$ .

Now let  $A \in \mathcal{T}$  be a subset and let  $(Q, t) \in \Theta(\Psi(A))$  be a  $D^\Delta$ -pair. Then we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \sum_{(P,s) \in A} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  and so by Proposition 5.4 this implies that we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  for some  $(P, s) \in A$ . Since both  $(P, s)$  and  $(Q, t)$  are  $D^\Delta$ -pairs, it follows that  $(P, s) \simeq (Q, t)$  and hence  $(Q, t) \in A$ . This shows that  $\Theta(\Psi(A)) \subseteq A$ . The inclusion  $A \subseteq \Theta(\Psi(A))$  is trivial. Therefore we have  $\Theta(\Psi(A)) = A$ .  $\square$

The following corollary follows immediately from Theorem 5.11.

**Corollary 5.12.** *We have  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta = \bigoplus_{(P,s) \in [D^\Delta\text{-pair}]} \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ .*

The first statement of Proposition 5.8 can also be made stronger.

**Corollary 5.13.** *Let  $F$  be a nonzero subfunctor of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$ . If  $H$  is a minimal group of  $F$ , then  $H = \langle Qt \rangle$  for some  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(Q, t)$  and we have*

$$F(H) = \bigoplus_{\substack{(Q',t') \simeq (Q,t) \\ \langle Q't' \rangle = \langle Qt \rangle}} \mathbb{F}F_{Q',t'}^H.$$

*Proof.* Since  $H$  is a minimal group of  $F$ , by Proposition 5.8 it follows that  $H = \langle Qt \rangle$  for some  $D^\Delta$ -pair with the property that  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq F$ . By Theorem 5.11 we have

$$F = \sum_{\substack{(Q,t) \in [D^\Delta\text{-pair}] \\ \mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq F}} \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}.$$

Therefore by Proposition 5.8 again we have

$$F(H) = \mathbf{e}_{Q,t}(H) = \bigoplus_{\substack{(Q',t') \simeq (Q,t) \\ \langle Q't' \rangle = \langle Qt \rangle}} \mathbb{F}F_{Q',t'}^H$$

as desired.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.14.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a  $D^\Delta$ -pair. Then the subfunctor  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  is isomorphic to the simple functor  $S_{\langle Ps \rangle, W_{P,s}}$  where  $W_{P,s} = \bigoplus_{\substack{(Q,t) \simeq (P,s) \\ \langle Qt \rangle = \langle Ps \rangle}} \mathbb{F}F_{P,s}^{\langle Ps \rangle}$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 5.11 the lattice of subfunctors of  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  is isomorphic to the lattice of subsets of the set  $\Theta(\mathbf{e}_{P,s}) = \{(Q, t) \in [D^\Delta\text{-pair}] : \mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P,s}\} = \{(P, s)\}$ . Therefore the subfunctor  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$  is simple. By Proposition 5.9 the group  $\langle Ps \rangle$  is a minimal group of the functor  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . By Proposition 5.8 we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}(\langle Ps \rangle) = W_{P,s}$ . Moreover, by [5, Theorem 4.2.5], the module  $W_{P,s}$  is a simple module for the essential algebra  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(\langle Ps \rangle)$ . Thus we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \simeq S_{\langle Ps \rangle, W_{P,s}}$  as desired.  $\square$

**Proposition 5.15.** *If  $F \leq F'$  are subfunctors of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  such that  $F'/F$  is simple, then there exists a unique  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(P, s) \in [D^\Delta\text{-pair}]$  such that  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F'$  and  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \not\leq F$ . In particular, we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} + F = F'$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \cap F = \{0\}$ , and  $F'/F \simeq S_{\langle Ps \rangle, W_{P,s}}$ .*

*Proof.* The existence of a pair  $(P, s)$  with the property that  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \leq F'$  and  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \not\leq F$  is clear. Suppose  $(P', s')$  is another pair with these properties. Since  $F'/F$  is simple, we have

$$(P', s') \in \Theta(F) \cup \{(P, s)\}.$$

Thus  $(P', s') \simeq (P, s)$  as  $(P', s') \notin \Theta(F)$ . Now since  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \not\leq F$  and  $F'/F$  is simple, we have  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} + F = F'$ . Thus the quotient  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}/(\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \cap F) \simeq F'/F$  is simple and so  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} \cap F = \{0\}$ . Therefore we have  $F'/F \simeq S_{\langle Ps \rangle, W_{P,s}}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 5.16.** *Let  $F \leq F'$  be subfunctors of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta$  such that  $F'/F$  is simple. Let  $H$  (respectively  $H'$ ) be a finite group and  $W$  (respectively  $W'$ ) be a simple  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(H)$ -mod (respectively  $\mathcal{E}^\Delta(H')$ -mod) such that  $S_{H,W} \simeq S_{H',W'} \simeq F'/F$ . Then  $H \cong H'$ . Moreover  $W \cong W'$ , after identification of  $H$  and  $H'$  via the previous isomorphism.*

*Proof.* By Proposition 5.15 there exists a unique  $D^\Delta$ -pair  $(P, s)$  such that  $F'/F \simeq S_{\langle Ps \rangle, W_{P,s}}$ . Therefore it suffices to prove that  $H \cong \langle Ps \rangle$ . Since  $(F'/F)(H) \neq 0$  there exists a pair  $(Q, t)$  contained in  $H$  such that  $F_{Q,t}^H \in F'(H) \setminus F(H)$ . Since  $H$  is a minimal group of  $F'/F$ , it follows that  $H = \langle Qt \rangle$  and  $(Q, t)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair. Moreover we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq F'$  and  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \not\leq F$ . But the pair  $(P, s)$  is the unique  $D^\Delta$ -pair with these properties. Therefore we have  $(Q, t) \simeq (P, s)$ . Thus  $H \cong \langle Ps \rangle$  as desired. The last assertion follows from the fact that  $S_{H,W}(H) \cong W$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 5.17.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a pair. Then for any finite group  $H$ , the  $\mathbb{F}$ -vector space  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H)$  is the subspace of  $\mathbb{F}T(H)$  generated by the set of primitive idempotents  $F_{Q,t}^H$  where  $(Q, t)$  runs over a set of conjugacy classes of pairs in  $H$  with the property that  $(P, s)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of  $(Q, t)$ .*

*Proof.* Since the pair  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s})$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(P, s)$  and since  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s} = \mathbf{e}_{\tilde{P},\tilde{s}}$ , we may assume that the pair  $(P, s)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair. Since  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H)$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{F}T(H)$ , it has a  $\mathbb{F}$ -basis consisting of a set of primitive idempotents  $F_{Q,t}^H$ . If  $F_{Q,t}^H \in \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H)$ , then  $F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle} \in \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(\langle Qt \rangle)$  and so  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . Since  $(P, s)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, by Proposition 5.7, it is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(Q, t)$ . Conversely, if  $(P, s)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(Q, t)$ , then again by Proposition 5.7, we have  $\mathbf{e}_{Q,t} \leq \mathbf{e}_{P,s}$ . So we have  $F_{Q,t}^{\langle Qt \rangle} \in \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(\langle Qt \rangle)$  and hence  $F_{Q,t}^H \in \mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H)$ . The result follows.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.18.** *Let  $(P, s)$  be a  $D^\Delta$ -pair. Then for any finite group  $H$ , the  $\mathbb{F}$ -dimension of  $S_{\langle Ps \rangle, W_{P,s}}(H)$  is equal to the number of conjugacy classes of pairs  $(Q, t)$  in  $H$  such that  $(\tilde{Q}, \tilde{t}) \simeq (P, s)$ .*

*Proof.* By Proposition 5.17  $\mathbf{e}_{P,s}(H)$  is generated by the idempotents  $F_{Q,t}^H$  where  $(Q, t)$  is a pair in  $H$  with the property that the pair  $(\tilde{P}, \tilde{s}) \simeq (P, s)$  is isomorphic to a  $p'$ -quotient of the pair  $(Q, t)$ . Since  $(P, s)$  is a  $D^\Delta$ -pair, Theorem 5.10 implies that  $(\tilde{Q}, \tilde{t}) \simeq (P, s)$ . The result follows.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.19.** *Let  $H$  be a finite group. The  $\mathbb{F}$ -dimension of  $S_{1,\mathbb{F}}(H)$  is equal to the number of isomorphism classes of simple  $kH$ -modules.*

*Proof.* By Theorem 5.18,  $\dim_{\mathbb{F}} S_{1,\mathbb{F}}(H)$  is equal to the number of conjugacy classes of pairs  $(Q, t)$  in  $H$  such that  $(\tilde{Q}, \tilde{t}) \simeq (1, 1)$ . Suppose  $(Q, t)$  is a pair with  $(\tilde{Q}, \tilde{t}) \simeq (1, 1)$ . Then we have  $\tilde{Q} = 1$  and  $\tilde{t} = 1$ . So there exists a normal  $p'$ -subgroup  $N$  of  $\langle Qt \rangle$  such that  $(QN/N, tN) \simeq (1, 1)$ . Since  $|Q|$  and  $|N|$  are coprime, this implies that  $Q = 1$ . We also have  $t \in N$ . But then  $N \trianglelefteq \langle t \rangle$  implies that  $N = \langle t \rangle$ . Therefore the number of conjugacy classes of pairs  $(Q, t)$  in  $H$  such that  $(\tilde{Q}, \tilde{t}) \simeq (1, 1)$  is equal to the number of conjugacy classes of  $p'$ -elements in  $H$ . The result follows.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.20.** *The functor  $S_{1,\mathbb{F}}$  is isomorphic to the functor that sends a finite group  $H$  to the subspace  $\mathbb{F}K_0(kH)$  of  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H)$  generated by the projective indecomposable  $kH$ -modules.*

*Proof.* Let  $H$  be a finite group. We have

$$S_{1,\mathbb{F}}(H) = (\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, 1) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}} \mathbb{F}) / J_{1,\mathbb{F}}(H) \cong \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, 1) / J_{1,\mathbb{F}}(H)$$

where  $J_{1,\mathbb{F}}(H) = \{\phi \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, 1) : \forall \psi \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(1, H), (\psi \circ \phi) \cdot 1 = 0\}$ . Now  $\mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, 1)$  is isomorphic to the subspace  $\mathbb{F}K_0(kH)$  of  $\mathbb{F}T(H)$  generated by the isomorphism classes of projective indecomposable  $kH$ -modules. Similarly any  $W \in \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(1, H)$

can be identified with  $W^* \in \mathbb{F}K_0(kH)$ . As in [6] we have the following:  
 For any  $p$ -permutation  $kH$ -modules  $V$  and  $W$  we have

$$(W^* \otimes_{kH} V) \cdot 1 = \dim_k(W^* \otimes_{kH} V) = \dim_k(\text{Hom}_{kH}(W, V)).$$

Therefore  $J_{1, \mathbb{F}}(H)$  is the right kernel of the bilinear form

$$\langle -, - \rangle: \mathbb{F}K_0(kH) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$$

defined as  $\langle W, V \rangle := \dim_k(\text{Hom}_{kH}(W, V))$ . But the matrix that represents this bilinear form is the Cartan matrix of  $kH$ . Since the Cartan matrix of a group algebra is non-degenerate, it follows that  $J_{1, \mathbb{F}}(H) = 0$ . Therefore we have

$$S_{1, \mathbb{F}}(H) = \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, 1) \otimes_{\mathbb{F}} \mathbb{F} \cong \mathbb{F}T^\Delta(H, 1) \cong \mathbb{F}K_0(kH).$$

Note that both of these isomorphisms are functorial in  $H$ . The result follows.  $\square$

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