

Glauberman correspondence as a Brauer construction

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Abstract

We introduce a particular case of Dade's interpretation of the Glauberman correspondence in terms of the modular representation theory of finite groups, and remark that the Glauberman correspondence can be viewed as a module correspondence given by the Brauer construction of the module.

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For a prime p , let $(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{O}, k)$ be a p -modular system where \mathcal{O} is a complete discrete valuation ring having an algebraically closed residue field k of characteristic p and having a quotient field \mathcal{K} of characteristic zero which will be assumed to be large enough for any of finite groups we consider in this article. Let G be a finite group.

For the standard facts on the modular representation theory of finite groups, see [1], [4] and [5].

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In this section, we give a result on the Brauer construction of the module.

Proposition 2.1. *Let P be a Sylow p -subgroup of G , and assume that P has an order p . Let V be a simple kG -module with a vertex P . Then $V(P)$, the Brauer construction of V viewed as a $kN_G(P)$ -module, is simple and is isomorphic to the socle of the Green correspondence of V .*

Proof

By the Green coreespondence in a T.I. situation, we have $V \downarrow_{N_G(P)}^G \simeq W \oplus Y$ where W is an indecomposable module with a vertex P and Y is a projective module, see [1, Theorem 1 of Chapter10].

Note that $Y(P) = 0$, see [5, Proposition 27.9].

We have $\mathrm{Tr}_1^P(W) = 0$. In fact, since the indecomposable projective $kN_G(P)$ -modules are uniserial, see [1, the last part of Chapter 5, or Theorem 1 of Chapter 19], we have $W \subseteq \mathrm{rad}R$ for an indecomposable projective $kN_G(P)$ -module R . Since $\mathrm{rad}R = (1 - u)R$ for a generator u of P , see [1, Lemma 8 of Chapter 5], we have $(1 + u + \cdots + u^{p-1})\mathrm{rad}R = 0$. Hence we have $(1 + u + \cdots + u^{p-1})W = 0$ and the assertion follows.

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} V(P) &\simeq (V \downarrow_{N_G(P)}^G)(P) \\ &\simeq (W \oplus Y)(P) \\ &\simeq W(P) \oplus Y(P) \\ &\simeq W(P) \\ &\simeq W^P / \mathrm{Tr}_1^P(W) \\ &\simeq W^P. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$W^P = \text{soc}(W \downarrow_P^{N_G(P)}),$$

since for an indecomposable kP -module X we have $X^P = \text{soc } X$. In fact, we have $\text{soc } X \subseteq X^P$ and $1 = \dim_k \text{soc } X \leq \dim_k X^P \leq \dim_k (kP)^P = 1$. Note that if $W \downarrow_P = \oplus_i X_i$, then $W^P = (\oplus_i X_i)^P = \oplus_i X_i^P$ and $\text{soc}(W \downarrow_P) = \text{soc}(\oplus_i X_i) = \oplus_i \text{soc}(X_i)$.

Moreover, using [1, Lemma 8 of Chapter 5] recursively, we have

$$\text{soc}(W \downarrow_P^{N_G(P)}) = \text{soc}(W).$$

Hence, we have the proposition. \square

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In this section, we introduce a particular case of Dade's interpretation of the Glauberman correspondence (see [3]) in terms of the modular representation theory of finite groups (see Section 13 of [2] for a more general statement). Then we remark that the Glauberman correspondence can be viewed as a module correspondence given by the Brauer construction of the module.

We cite a very particular case of Dade's Theorem on the endo-permutation modules, which is essential in the proof of Proposition 3.3:

Proposition 3.1. (Dade [2] or see [5, Theorem 30.5, Proposition 28.2, Corollary 28.11])

- (i) The sources of simple modules of p -nilpotent groups are endo-permutation modules.
- (ii) Endo-permutation kP -modules for a group P of order p are k and $\Omega_k(k)$.

Below, we assume that G has an order not divisible by p . Let P be a group of order p acting on G , and E be a semidirect product of G and P with this action. Let $C = C_G(P)$. We have $N_E(P) = C_E(P) = CP$.

The following is standard, and below we consider the correspondence suggested in the proof of Lemma 3.2:

Lemma 3.2. *There is a one-to-one correspondence between the following sets:*

- (i) $\text{Irr}(G)^P$: the set of P -invariant irreducible characters of G
- (ii) $\text{Simp}(G)^P$: the set of P -invariant simple kG -modules
- (iii) $\text{Bl}(G)^P$: the set of P -invariant p -blocks of G
- (iv) $\text{Bl}(E|P)$: the set of p -blocks of E with a defect group P
- (v) $\text{Simp}(E|P)$: the set of simple kE -modules with a vertex P
- (vi) $\text{Bl}(CP|P)$: the set of p -blocks of CP with a defect group P
- (vii) $\text{Simp}(CP|P)$: the set of simple kCP -modules with a vertex P
- (viii) $\text{Bl}(C)^P$: the set of P -invariant p -blocks of C
- (ix) $\text{Bl}(C)$: the set of p -blocks of C
- (x) $\text{Simp}(C)$: the set of simple kC -modules
- (xi) $\text{Irr}(C)$: the set of irreducible characters of C

Proof

(i) (ii) (iii) (similar for (ix) (x) (xi)): Note that G is a p' -group. See [4, Theorem 6.37 of Chapter III].

(iii) (iv) (similar for (vi) (viii)): A block of G is covered by a unique block of E , see [4, Corollary 5.6 of Chapter 5]. Hence, when a block b of G is P -invariant, b is also a block of E , and when a block b of G is not P -invariant, $\mathrm{Tr}_1^P(b)$ is a block of E . All the blocks of E appear in this way, since a block of E covers some block of G , see [4, Lemma 5.3 of Chapter 5]. In the former case, b has a defect group P , since the irreducible character of G in b is P -invariant and so has p distinct extensions to the irreducible character of E in b . In the latter case, $\mathrm{Tr}_1^P(b)$ has a defect 0, see [4, Theorem 5.10 of Chapter 5].

(iv) (v) (similar for (vi) (vii)): Since $kEb \simeq kGb \otimes_k kP$, see [4, Theorem 7.4 of Chapter 5] or [5, Corollary 50.9], kEb has a unique simple module, which is not projective.

(iv) (vi): Since $N_E(P) = CP$, we can consider the Brauer correspondence, see [4, Theorem 2.15 of Chapter 5] (Brauer's first main theorem).

(viii) (ix): The action of P on $\mathrm{Bl}(C)$ is trivial. \square

Note that the above correspondences in (v) (ii) and in (vii) (x) are given by the restriction.

Proposition 3.3. (Dade) *The correspondence in Lemma 3.2 (i) (xi) is the Glauberman correspondence.*

Proof

Let $\chi \in \mathrm{Irr}(G)^P$. Let b be the corresponding block (Lemma 3.2(i) (iv)), and let \hat{V} be the unique simple kEb -module, which has a vertex P (Lemma 3.2 (iv) (v)). Let T be a source kP -module of \hat{U} , see Proposition 3.1. Let $c = \mathrm{Br}_P(b)$ (Lemma 3.2 (iv) (vi)), and let \hat{U} be the unique simple $kCPc$ -module, which has a vertex P (Lemma 3.2 (vi) (vii)). Note that $U = \hat{U} \downarrow_C^{CP}$ is the unique simple kCc -module (Lemma 3.2 (vii) (x)).

Denoting \hat{W} the Green correspondence of \hat{V} , we have

$$\hat{V} \downarrow_{CP}^E \simeq \hat{W} \oplus (\text{projective modules}).$$

Note that \hat{W} is in c by the ‘‘module version’’ of the Brauer's second main theorem, see [1, Theorem 3 of Chapter 14], and is a uniserial module whose composition factors are all isomorphic to \hat{U} .

If $T \simeq k$, then $\hat{W} \simeq \hat{U}$, and if $T \simeq \Omega_k(k)$, then \hat{W} is an indecomposable $kCPc$ -module of length $p - 1$.

Note that any indecomposable projective kCP -module is a uniserial module of length p whose composition factors are isomorphic, and that kC is semisimple.

Hence, when $T \simeq k$, we have

$$V \downarrow_C^G \simeq (\hat{V} \downarrow_{CP}^E) \downarrow_C^G \simeq (\hat{V} \downarrow_{CP}^E) \downarrow_C^{CP} \simeq U \oplus p(\cdots),$$

and when $T \simeq \Omega_k(k)$, we have

$$V \downarrow_C^G \simeq (\hat{V} \downarrow_{CP}^E) \downarrow_C^G \simeq (\hat{V} \downarrow_{CP}^E) \downarrow_C^{CP} \simeq (p - 1)U \oplus p(\cdots).$$

Hence, we have the proposition. \square

Under the above notations, $\hat{V}(P) \simeq \hat{U}$ as modules over $N_E(P) = CP$ by Proposition 2.1, and $\hat{V}(P) \simeq \hat{U} \downarrow_C \simeq U$ as modules over $N_E(P)/P \simeq C$. That is:

Proposition 3.4. *We have $\hat{V}(P) \simeq U$, and the correspondence in Lemma 3.2(v) (x) is given by the Brauer construction of the modules with respect to P .*

Hence for a P -invariant simple $\mathcal{K}G$ -module we can get the Glauberman corresponding $\mathcal{K}C$ -module by the following procedure:

- (i) considering $\mathcal{O}G$ -lattice and reduction modulo p
- (ii) extension to kE -module
- (iii) Brauer construction of the module with respect to P
- (iv) \mathcal{O} -lift and \mathcal{K} -extension

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