

## On defect groups of interior $G$ -algebras and vertices of modules

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Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $p$  is a prime number. Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be a complete discrete valuation ring with unique maximal ideal  $(\pi)$  such that the residue field  $k = \mathcal{O}/(\pi)$  is characteristic  $p$ . We assume that the field  $k$  is algebraically closed. In (5), Green defines a defect group for a  $G$ -algebra  $A$  (i. e. an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A$  endowed with a  $G$ -action on  $A$  as  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra automorphism) such that  $A^G$  is local. After, in (8), Puig introduces the concept of a source algebra of interior  $G$ -algebra  $A$  (i. e. an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A$  endowed with an unitary  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism  $\rho: \mathcal{O}[G] \rightarrow A$ ) such that  $A^G$  is local and proved that the algebra  $A$  and its source algebra are Morita equivalent. The interior  $G$ -algebra  $A$  is a  $G$ -algebra by the conjugate  $G$ -action. A block  $B = \mathcal{O}[G]e$  ( $e$  is a central primitive idempotent of  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ ) of  $\mathcal{O}[G]$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra by the projection  $\mathcal{O}[G] \rightarrow B: x \mapsto xe$  such that  $B^G$  is local. Then a defect group of  $B$  in Green's sense equals a defect group for a block. See (5).

Let  $B$  be a block of  $\mathcal{O}[G]$  with defect group  $D$ . In block theory, it is well known that there exists an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$  belonging to the block  $B$  such that the vertex of the  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$  equals  $D$ , see (2) (57.10). Now we can also define "belonging  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module" for interior  $G$ -algebras just like for blocks. The purpose of this paper is to extend this for interior  $G$ -algebras of some type using the theory of source algebras. See theorem 3.5.

In this paper, we use the following notation. Whenever  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are sets and  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are maps, the composed map of  $f$  and  $g$  is denoted by  $g \circ f$ . All  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebras are  $\mathcal{O}$ -free  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebras of finite rank with the unit element 1 and any  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism is an unitary homomorphism. All modules over a  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A$  are  $\mathcal{O}$ -free left  $A$ -module of finite rank. Whenever  $M$  and  $N$  are  $A$ -modules, we denote by  $N|M$  if the  $A$ -module  $N$  is isomorphic to a direct summand of the  $A$ -module  $M$ . Whenever  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups of  $G$ , the sets  $(G/H)$  and  $(K \backslash G/H)$  are complete sets of representatives of left cosets  $gH$  and double cosets  $KgH$ , respectively. Whenever  $V$  is an  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module and

$W$  is an  $\mathcal{O}[H]$ -module, we denote by  $\text{Res}_H^G(V)$  and  $\text{Ind}_H^G(W)$  the restricted module of  $V$  and the induced module of  $W$ , respectively. We denote by  $V^H$  the set of the fixed points of  $V$  under the action of  $H$ . We employ the other usual terminology of the representation theory of finite groups as in (2) and (4).

### 1. Interior $G$ -algebras

In this section, we give some results for interior  $G$ -algebras, according to Dade (3) and Watanabe's lecture at Hokkaido University. Now  $A$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra with an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism  $\rho: \mathcal{O}[G] \longrightarrow A$ . Whenever  $A'$  is other interior  $G$ -algebra with  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism  $\rho': \mathcal{O}[G] \longrightarrow A'$ , an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism  $\tau: A \longrightarrow A'$  is a morphism as interior  $G$ -algebra if  $\rho' = \tau \circ \rho$ , and the morphism  $\tau$  is isomorphism as interior  $G$ -algebra if  $\tau$  is an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra isomorphism.

Whenever  $A$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra, we set

$$xa = \rho(x)a, \quad ax = a\rho(x) \quad \text{and} \quad a^x = x^{-1}ax,$$

where  $x \in G$  and  $a \in A$ . Then by the action  $a \longmapsto a^x$ , the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A$  is a  $G$ -algebra. Whenever  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , we set

$$A^H = \{a \in A : a^x = a \text{ for any } x \in H\},$$

and define the relative trace mapping  $\text{Tr}_H^G$  by

$$\text{Tr}_H^G: A^H \longrightarrow A^G, \quad a \longmapsto \sum_{u \in [G/H]} a^{u^{-1}}.$$

Then the image  $A_H^G = \text{Tr}_H^G(A^H)$  is a two sided ideal of  $A^G$ . See (5). Whenever  $A^\circ$  is the opposite ring of  $A$ , the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A^\circ$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra by the homomorphism

$$\rho^\circ: \mathcal{O}[G] \longrightarrow A^\circ, \quad x \longmapsto \rho(x^{-1}).$$

Note that  $A^H = (A^\circ)^H$  and  $A_H^G = (A^\circ)_H^G$ .

1.1. Whenever  $A$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra, let  $A[G]$  be a free  $A$ -module generated by the elements of  $G$ . Then  $A[G]$  becomes a strongly  $G$ -graded ring by the product

$$ax \cdot by = ab^{x^{-1}}xy,$$

where  $ax$  and  $by \in A[G]$ .

EXAMPLE 1.2. The group algebra  $\mathcal{O}[G]$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra through the identity mapping. Then we have an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}[G][G] &\simeq \mathcal{O}[G \times G] \\ x \cdot y &\longleftrightarrow (xy, y), \end{aligned}$$

where  $x$  and  $y \in G$ . Therefore the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism  $\rho$  introduces an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}[G \times G] &\longrightarrow A[G] \\ (x, y) &\longmapsto \rho(xy^{-1})y. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\rho$  is an epimorphism, then the induced  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism is an epimorphism.

1.3. Whenever  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , the interior  $G$ -algebra  $A$  is an interior  $H$ -algebra through the restricted mapping  $\rho|_H$ , and we can define a ring  $A[H]$ . Whenever  $M$  is an  $A[H]$ -module and  $\text{End}_A(M)$  is the  $A$ -endomorphism ring of  $M$ , then  $\text{End}_A(M)$  is an interior  $H$ -algebra by the group homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_M : H &\longrightarrow \text{End}_A(M) \\ x &\longmapsto \rho_M(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_M(x) : M &\longrightarrow M \\ m &\longmapsto \rho(x^{-1})x \cdot m. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$f^*(m) = x^{-1}f(xm),$$

where  $f \in \text{End}_A(M)$ ,  $x \in H$  and  $m \in M$ . Note  $\text{End}_A(M)^H = \text{End}_{A[H]}(M)$ , and  $M$  is an indecomposable  $A[H]$ -module if and only if  $\text{End}_A(M)^H$  is local. Therefore  $A[G]$ -modules have unique decomposition property. See (4) Ch. 1 corollary 11.2.

1.4. Let  $A$  be an interior  $G$ -algebra,  $H$  a subgroup of  $G$ ,  $M$  an  $A[G]$ -module and  $N$  an  $A[H]$ -module. we denote by  $\text{Res}_H^G(M)$  the restricted  $A[H]$ -module of  $M$  and by  $\text{Ind}_H^G(N)$  the induced  $A[G]$ -module  $A(G) \otimes_{A[H]} N$ .

1.5. The symbol  $\otimes$  means the tensor product over  $A[H]$  in 1.5, 1.6 and 1.7. Whenever  $N$  is an  $A[H]$ -module, then

$$\text{Ind}_H^G(N) \simeq \bigoplus_{u \in (G/H)} \rho(u^{-1})u \otimes N,$$

as  $\mathcal{O}$ -module. Moreover we have

$$\begin{aligned} a\rho(u^{-1})u\otimes n &= \rho(u^{-1})u\otimes an \\ x\rho(u^{-1})u\otimes n &= \rho((xu)^{-1})xu\otimes \rho(x)n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a \in A$ ,  $x \in G$  and  $\rho(u^{-1})u\otimes n \in \text{Ind}_H^G(N)$ . In particular, the induced module  $\text{Ind}_H^G(N)$  is isomorphic to  $|G:H|N$  as  $A$ -module.

Indeed, since  $\rho(u^{-1})$  is an unit of  $A$  the first isomorphism is evident. The second equality is followed from

$$\begin{aligned} a\rho(u^{-1})u\otimes n &= \rho(u^{-1})\rho(u)a\rho(u^{-1})u\otimes n \\ &= \rho(u^{-1})a^{u^{-1}}u\otimes n \\ &= \rho(u^{-1})ua\otimes n \\ &= \rho(u^{-1})u\otimes an. \end{aligned}$$

The third equality is followed from

$$\begin{aligned} x\rho(u^{-1})u\otimes n &= \rho(x)\rho((xu)^{-1})xu\otimes n \\ &= \rho((xu)^{-1})xu\otimes \rho(x)n. \end{aligned}$$

1.6. Whenever  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$  and  $N$  is an  $A[H]$ -module,  $N$  is  $A[H^{x^{-1}}]$ -module by

$$ah^{x^{-1}} \cdot n = a^x h \cdot n,$$

where  $ah^{x^{-1}} \in A[H^{x^{-1}}]$  and  $n \in N$ , and we denote this  $A[H^{x^{-1}}]$ -module by  $x\otimes N$ . Then by the similar argument for  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module, we have Mackey decomposition theorem for  $A[G]$ -modules. See (4) Ch. 2 theorem 2.9.

1.7. Whenever  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups of  $G$  and  $N$  is a  $A[H]$ -module, then

$$\text{Res}_K^G(\text{Ind}_H^G(N)) \simeq \bigoplus_{u \in [K \backslash G / H]} \text{Ind}_{uHu^{-1} \cap K}^{uHu^{-1} \cap K} (\text{Res}_{uHu^{-1} \cap H}^{uHu^{-1}}(u\otimes N)),$$

as  $A[K]$ -module.

1.8. Whenever  $M$  is an  $A[G]$ -module and  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , we call  $M$  is  $H$ -projective if there exists an  $A[H]$ -module  $N$  such that

$$M | \text{Ind}_H^G(N).$$

Then Higmann's criteria for relative projectivity is extended for  $A[G]$ -modules similarly for  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -modules. See (4) Ch. 2 theorem 3.8.

1.9. An  $A[G]$ -module  $M$  is  $H$ -projective if and only if

$$\text{End}_A(M)^G = \text{End}_A(M)_H^G$$

for the interior  $G$ -algebra  $\text{End}_A(M)$ . In particular, any  $A[G]$ -module is  $S$ -projective, where  $S$  is a  $p$ -Sylow subgroup of  $G$ .

1.10. By 1.7, we can define a vertex for an indecomposable  $A[G]$ -module. That is, whenever  $M$  is an indecomposable  $A[G]$ -module, the minimal subgroups  $H$  satisfying  $M$  is  $H$ -projective are  $G$ -conjugate, and we call this subgroups the vertex of  $M$  and denote by  $vtx_G(M)$ . Whenever  $P$  is a vertex of  $M$ , then there exists an indecomposable  $A[P]$ -module such that

$$N | \text{Res}_P^G(M) \text{ and } vtx_P(N) = P.$$

These  $A[P]$ -modules satisfying the above condition are  $N_G(P)$ -conjugate, and we call this module source of  $M$ . Note that

$$M | \text{Ind}_P^G(N).$$

By 1.9, the vertex is  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ .

EXAMPLE 1.11. Whenever  $A$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra such that  $A^G$  is local, then the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A$  is an indecomposable  $A[G]$ -module by the action

$$ax \cdot b = ab^{x^{-1}},$$

where  $ax \in A[G]$  and  $b \in A$ . We call the vertex  $vtx_G(A)$  a defect group of  $A$ . But we have the following isomorphism as interior  $G$ -algebra

$$\begin{aligned} \text{End}_A(A) &\simeq A^\circ \\ f &\longmapsto f(1), \end{aligned}$$

and by 1.9, the definition of defect group in this paper is equivalent to the definition of defect group in Green's sense (5). Let  $D$  be a defect group of  $A$  and a indecomposable  $A[D]$ -module  $L$  a source of  $A$ . We call source algebra of  $A$  the endomorphism ring  $\text{End}_A(L)$ . Since

$$L | \text{Res}_D^G(A),$$

for the projection  $p_L$  of  $A$  to  $L$ , the element  $i = p_L(1)$  is a primitive idempotent of  $A^D$  and

$$(iAi)^\circ \simeq \text{End}_A(L),$$

as  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra. Thus the definition of source algebra is equivalent to the definition of source algebra in Puig's sense (8). Note that

$$L \simeq Ai,$$

as  $A[D]$ -module.

In (8), Puig prove that the module categories of  $A$  and  $B$  is Morita

equivalent. We shall prove this using the above definitions and the following lemma of (8).

1.12. Whenever  $A$  and  $B$  are  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebras and  $i$  is an idempotent of  $A$ . Assume that the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $iAi$  is isomorphic to  $B$  as  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra and  $A$  is directly embedded to the full matrix ring  $M_n(B)$ . Then we have isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} Ai \otimes_B iA &\simeq A \text{ as } (A, A)\text{-bimodule,} \\ iA \otimes_A Ai &\simeq B \text{ as } (B, B)\text{-bimodule.} \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 1.13. (Puig) Let  $A$  be an interior  $G$ -algebra such that  $A^G$  is local and  $B=iAi$  a source algebra of  $A$ . Then the module categories of  $A$  and  $B$  are Morita equivalent by

$$M \longmapsto iA \otimes_A M \text{ and } N \longmapsto Ai \otimes_B N,$$

where  $M$  is an  $A$ -module and  $N$  is a  $B$ -module.

PROOF. Let  $D$  be a defect group of  $A$ . By 1.11, the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A$  is an indecomposable  $A[G]$ -module and we set  $L$  a source of  $A$ . Then  $L$  is an indecomposable  $A[G]$ -module and

$$A | \text{Ind}_B^G(L)$$

and

$$B^\circ \simeq \text{End}_A(L).$$

This implies that the endomorphism ring  $\text{End}_A(A)$  is directly embedded to  $\text{End}_A(\text{Ind}_B^G(L))$ . By 1.5,

$$\text{Ind}_B^G(L) \simeq |G : D|L,$$

as  $A$ -module, and this implies  $A$  is directly embedded to the full matrix ring  $M_{|G:D|}(B)$ . Thus the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebras  $A$  and  $B$  satisfy the condition of 1.12. Therefore By (2) (3.54), the module categories of  $A$  and  $B$  are Morita equivalent through the above correspondence.

1.14. By 1.2 and 1.11, for the  $A[G]$ -module  $A$  the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra  $A$  is  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module through the  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism

$$\mathcal{O}[G \times G] \longrightarrow A[G]$$

in 1.2. Then the action of  $G \times G$  on  $A$  is

$$(x, y) \bullet a = \rho(x) a \rho(y^{-1}),$$

where  $(x, y) \in G \times G$  and  $a \in A$ . Note that  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module  $A$  is indecomposable if  $\rho$  is an epimorphism.

1.15. Whenever  $M$ , is an  $A[G]$ -module, then by 1.3, the  $A$ -endomorphism ring  $\text{End}_A(M)$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra, and  $\text{End}_A(M)$  is  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module. Whenever  $M'$  is an  $A(G)$ -module such that  $M'$  is a direct summand of  $M$ , then  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module  $\text{End}_A(M')$  is a direct summand of  $\text{End}_A(M)$ .

Indeed, whenever  $f : M \longrightarrow M'$  is the projection, we have

$$\text{End}_A(M') \simeq f \text{End}_A(M) f,$$

as interior  $G$ -algebra. But it is obvious that

$$f \text{End}_A(M) f | \text{End}_A(M),$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module, and proved.

Whenever  $H$  is a subgroup and  $N$  an  $A[H]$ -module, similarly the endomorphism rings  $\text{End}_A(N)$  and  $\text{End}_A(\text{Ind}_H^G(N))$  become  $\mathcal{O}[H \times H]$ -module and  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module. Then we have the following lemma.

1.16. Whenever  $N$  is an  $A[H]$ -module, we have

$$\text{Ind}_{H \times H}^{G \times G}(\text{End}_A(N)) \simeq \text{End}_A(\text{Ind}_H^G(N)),$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module.

Indeed, by 1.5, we have

$$\text{Ind}_H^G(N) \simeq \bigoplus_{u \in [G/H]} \rho(u^{-1}) u \otimes_H N.$$

Whenever  $s, t \in G$  and  $h \in \text{End}_A(N)$ , we define the mapping  $f_{ts} \otimes h : \text{Ind}_H^G(N) \longrightarrow \text{Ind}_H^G(N)$  by

$$f_{ts} \otimes h : \begin{cases} \rho(u^{-1}) u \otimes_H n \\ \longrightarrow \begin{cases} \rho(t^{-1}) t \otimes_H h(\rho((su)^{-1}) su \cdot n) & \text{if } su \in H, \\ 0 & \text{otherwies.} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

The mapping  $f_{ts} \otimes h$  is in  $\text{End}_A(\text{Ind}_H^G(N))$ . Then the following mapping,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ind}_{H \times H}^{G \times G}(\text{End}_A(N)) &\longrightarrow \text{End}_A(\text{Ind}_H^G(N)), \\ (t, s) \otimes h &\longmapsto f_{ts^{-1}} \otimes_{H \times H} h \end{aligned}$$

introduces an  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module isomorphism.

## 2. Source algebras and source of modules

In this section, we define  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -modules belonging to interior  $G$ -

algebras and show that the source of a module belonging to an interior  $G$ -algebra can be introduced from a module belonging to its source algebra.

Let  $A$  be an interior  $G$ -algebra with  $\mathcal{O}$ -homomorphism  $\rho$  satisfying the subalgebra  $A^G$  is local. Let  $D$  be a defect group of  $A$  and  $B = iAi$  is source algebra, where  $i$  is a primitive idempotent of  $A^D$ . We define an  $\mathcal{O}$ -algebra homomorphism  $\rho_i$  by

$$\rho_i: \mathcal{O}[D] \longrightarrow B, X \longmapsto \rho(x)i.$$

Then  $B$  is an interior  $D$ -algebra through  $\rho_i$ .

Whenever  $M$  is an  $A$ -module, then  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module through  $\rho$ . Similarly, any  $B$ -module  $N$  is an  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module through  $\rho_i$ .

2.1. Let  $V$  be an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module. We call the  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$  is belonging to  $A$  if there exists an  $A$ -module  $M$  such that

$$V|M,$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module. The  $\mathcal{O}$ -endomorphism ring  $\text{End}(M)$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra by the representation afforded by the  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $M$ , and the representation  $A \longrightarrow \text{End}(M)$  afforded by the  $A$ -module  $M$  is a morphism as interior  $G$ -algebra. Therefore since  $D$  is a defect group of  $A$  the  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $M$  is  $D$ -projective, and an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$  belonging to  $A$  is  $D$ -projective. Of course, for block algebra this definition of "belonging" is equivalent to one of block theory.

In this case, we obtain the following propositions.

PROPOSITION 2.2. *Whenever  $N$  is a  $B$ -module and  $U$  is an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module such that  $U$  is an indecomposable direct summand of  $N$  as  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module satisfying*

$$vtx_D(U) = D.$$

*Then the  $A$ -module  $Ai \otimes_B N$  has indecomposable direct summand  $V$  as  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module satisfying*

$$vtx_G(V) = D$$

*and  $U$  is a source of  $V$ .*

PROOF. Let  $M = Ai \otimes_B N$ . Then because  $i$  is primitive idempotent of  $A^D$ , we have

$$iM | \text{Res}_D^G(M),$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module. But by theorem 1.13,

$$iM \simeq N,$$

as  $B$ -module and so we have

$$U|iM,$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module. Therefore there exists an indecomposable direct summand  $V$  of  $M$  as  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module such that

$$U|\text{Res}_B^G(V).$$

Since  $\text{vt}_{x_D}(U) = D$  the vertex of the indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module equals  $D$  and  $U$  is a source of  $V$ .

PROPOSITION 2.3. *Whenever  $M$  is an  $A$ -module and  $V$  is an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module such that  $V$  is an indecomposable direct summand of  $M$  as  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module satisfying*

$$\text{vt}_{x_G}(U) = D.$$

*Then the  $B$ -module  $iM$  has indecomposable direct summand  $U$  as  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module satisfying*

$$\text{vt}_{x_D}(U) = D$$

*and  $U$  is a source of  $V$ .*

PROOF. Let

$$\text{Res}_B^G(A) = Ai_1 \oplus Ai_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus Ai_r \oplus Aj_1 \oplus Aj_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus Aj_s$$

be an indecomposable decomposition as  $A[D]$ -module, where  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r$  and  $j_1, j_2, \dots, j_s$  are primitive idempotent of  $A^D$ . Assume that the vertices of the indecomposable  $A[D]$ -modules  $Ai_1, Ai_2, \dots, Ai_r$  are  $D$  (i. e. sources of indecomposable  $A[G]$ -module  $A$ ), and the vertices of the indecomposable  $A[D]$ -modules  $Aj_1, Aj_2, \dots, Aj_s$  are proper subgroups of  $D$ .

Then we have the following decomposition

$$\text{Res}_B^G(M) = i_1M \oplus i_2M \oplus \cdots \oplus i_rM \oplus j_1M \oplus j_2M \oplus \cdots \oplus j_sM,$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module. But whenever  $U_1$  is a source of indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$ , there exists an idempotent  $h$  in  $(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r, j_1, j_2, \dots, j_s)$  such that

$$U_1|hM,$$

because

$$V|M,$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module.

We claim  $h=i_k$  for some  $k$ . Indeed, if  $h=j_m$  for some  $m$ , then

$$U_1|j_mM.$$

But  $j_mM$  is a  $j_mAj_m$ -module and interior  $D$ -algebra  $j_mAj_m$  has defect group smaller than  $D$  by assumption. Thus 2.1 implies that the vertex of the indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module  $U_1$  is smaller than  $D$ , and this is contradiction.

Since  $Ai_k$  is source of  $A$  there exists  $x \in N_G(D)$  such that  $i_k=i^x$ . So we have

$$(U_1)^{x^{-1}}|iM.$$

We set  $U=(U_1)^{x^{-1}}$ , then the indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module  $U$  is a source of  $V$ , and proved the proposition.

By proposition 2.2 and 2.3, the following corollary is immediate.

**COROLLARY 2.4.** *There exists an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$  belonging to  $A$  such that  $vtx_G(V)=D$  if and only if there exists an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module  $U$  belonging to  $B$  such that  $vtx_D(U)=D$ .*

### 3. Defect groups and vertices

In this section,  $A$  is an interior  $G$ -algebra with an epimorphism  $\rho: \mathcal{O}[G] \rightarrow A$  such that  $A^G$  is local. We call this interior  $G$ -algebra  $A$  and epimorphic interior  $G$ -algebra. Let  $D$  is a defect group of  $A$  and  $B=iAi$  is a source algebra of  $A$ , where  $i \in A^D$  is a primitive idempotent. By 1.14, the  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module  $A$  is indecomposable.

3.1. We have

$$B|Res_{B \times B}^{\mathcal{O}}(A) \text{ and } A|Ind_{B \times B}^{\mathcal{O}}(B).$$

In particular, whenever  $L$  is a source of the indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module, there exists an indecomposable direct summand  $B'$  of the  $\mathcal{O}[D \times D]$ -module  $B$  such that

$$xtx_{G \times G}(A) = vtx_{D \times D}(B')$$

and  $L$  is a source of  $B'$ .

Indeed, the definition implies that

$$Ai|Res_B^{\mathcal{O}}(A) \text{ as } A[D]\text{-module,}$$

and

$$A|\text{Ind}_B^G(Ai) \text{ as } A[G]\text{-module.}$$

So by 1.15, we have

$$\text{End}_A(Ai)|\text{End}_A(A) \text{ as } \mathcal{O}[G \times G]\text{-module,}$$

and

$$\text{End}_A(A)|\text{End}_A(\text{Ind}_B^G(Ai)) \text{ as } \mathcal{O}[G \times G]\text{-module.}$$

But  $\text{End}_A(A) \simeq A^\circ$  as  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module,  $\text{End}_a(Ai) \simeq (iAi)^\circ \simeq B^\circ$  as  $\mathcal{O}[D \times D]$ -module and by 1.15

$$\text{Ind}_{B \times B}^{\mathcal{O} \times \mathcal{O}}(\text{End}_a(Ai)) \simeq \text{End}_a(\text{Ind}_B^G(Ai)),$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module. Thus we have

$$B|\text{Res}_{B \times B}^{\mathcal{O} \times \mathcal{O}}(A) \text{ and } A|\text{Ind}_{B \times B}^{\mathcal{O} \times \mathcal{O}}(B).$$

The second statement is introduced from the first part.

The following is prove in (6) and (7).

3.2. We set

$$\Delta D = \{(d, d) \in D \times D : d \in D\}.$$

Then we have

$$\Delta D \leq \text{vt}x_{G \times G}(A) \leq D \times D.$$

Moreover,

$$\text{vt}x_{G \times G}(A) = (\langle 1 \rangle \times Q) \cdot \Delta D,$$

where  $Q = \{d \in D : (1, d) \in \text{vt}x_{G \times G}(A)\}$  is a normal subgroup of  $D$ .

3.3. Whenever  $V$  is an  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module and

$$V^{\langle 1 \rangle \times G} = \{v \in V : (1, x)v = v \text{ for any } x \in G\},$$

then  $V^{\langle 1 \rangle \times G}$  is an  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -submodule of  $V$ . Note that

$$(x, 1)v = (x, x)v,$$

where  $v \in V^{\langle 1 \rangle \times G}$  and  $x \in G$ .

The following lemma is (4) ch. 2 lemma 3.4.

3.4. Whenever  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$  and  $W$  is an  $\mathcal{O}[H]$ -module. Then we have

$$(\text{Ind}_H^G(W))^G = \{\sum_{u \in [G/H]} u \otimes w : w \in W^H\}.$$

In particular,

$$(\text{Ind}_H^G(W))^G \simeq W^H,$$

as  $\mathcal{O}$ -module.

The following is the main result of this paper.

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Whenever  $A$  is an epimorphic interior  $G$ -algebra such that  $A^G$  is local and  $D$  is a defect group of  $A$ . Let  $R = (\langle 1 \rangle \times Q) \cdot \Delta D$  be a vertex of indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G \times G]$ -module  $A$  and  $L$  its source. Assume that the  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}$  has an indecomposable direct summand whose vertex equals  $\Delta D$ . Then there exists an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$  belonging to  $A$  such that the vertex of  $V$  equals  $D$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $B = iAi$  ( $i \in A^D$ : primitive idempotent) be a source algebra of  $A$ . Then  $B$  is an interior  $D$ -algebra with vertex  $D$ . By corollary 2.4, we may prove that there exists an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module  $W$  belonging to  $B$  such that  $\text{vt}_D(W) = D$ .

The  $\mathcal{O}$ -module  $B^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}$  becomes a left  $B$ -module, so becomes  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module. We shall prove that there exists an indecomposable direct summand  $W$  of the  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module  $B$  such that the vertex of  $W$  is  $D$ .

By 3.1, there exists an indecomposable direct summand  $B'$  of  $\mathcal{O}[D \times D]$ -module  $B$  such that

$$\text{vt}_{D \times D}(B') = R$$

and  $L$  is a source of  $B'$ . Because the residue field  $k$  is an algebraically close field and  $D$  is a  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ , the Green's indecomposability theorem ((4) ch. 3 Theorem 3.8) implies

$$B' \simeq \text{Ind}_R^{D \times D}(L).$$

So by Mackey decomposition theorem, we have

$$\text{Res}_{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}^{D \times D}(\text{Ind}_R^{D \times D}(L)) \simeq \text{Ind}_{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}(\text{Res}_{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}^R(L)).$$

But 3.4 implies that

$$(\text{Ind}_{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}(\text{Res}_{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}^R(L)))^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D} \simeq L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q},$$

as  $\mathcal{O}$ -module by

$$\sum_{u \in [D/Q]} (1, u) \otimes 1 \longleftrightarrow 1,$$

where  $1 \in L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}$ . It is easily checked that this  $\mathcal{O}$ -module isomorphism is

an  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module isomorphism. Thus we obtain

$$\text{Res}_{\Delta D}^{D \times D}(B'^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}) \simeq \text{Res}_{\Delta D}^R(L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}),$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module. By assumption, the  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $\text{Res}_{\Delta D}^R(L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q})$  has an indecomposable direct summand whose vertex is  $\Delta D$ , and so the  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $\text{Res}_{\Delta D}^{D \times D}(B'^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D})$  has indecomposable direct summand whose vertex is  $\Delta D$ . Note that

$$(d, 1)b = (d, d)b,$$

where  $b \in B'$  and  $d \in D$ . Thus the  $\mathcal{O}[D \times \langle 1 \rangle]$ -module  $B'^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}$  has indecomposable direct summand  $W$  whose vertex is  $D \times \langle 1 \rangle$ .  $W$  can be an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module whose vertex is  $D$  by

$$dw = (d, 1)w,$$

where  $w \in W$  and  $d \in D$ . Then the indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module  $W$  is an indecomposable direct summand of the  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module  $B^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}$ , because

$$B' | B,$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[D \times D]$ -module.

Therefore there exists  $B$ -module  $B^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D}$  such that

$$W | B^{\langle 1 \rangle \times D},$$

as  $\mathcal{O}[D]$ -module and  $\text{vt}_{x_D}(W) = D$ , and proved theorem.

**COROLLARY 3.6.** *Under the notation of theorem 3.5, if  $\mathcal{O}$ -rank of the source  $L$  is not larger than  $p$  and the  $\mathcal{O}$ -submodule  $L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}$  is not  $\{0\}$ , there exists an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[G]$ -module  $V$  belonging to  $A$  such that the vertex of  $V$  equals  $D$ .*

**PROOF.** There occur two cases. If the  $\mathcal{O}$ -rank of  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}$  is smaller than  $p$ , any indecomposable direct summand of  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}$  has vertex  $\Delta D$ . So the assumption of theorem 3.5 is hold.

If the  $\mathcal{O}$ -rank of  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}$  equals  $p$ , then we have

$$L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q} = L.$$

But  $L$  is an indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[R]$ -module and  $R/(\langle 1 \rangle \times Q) \simeq \Delta D$ . So  $L$  becomes  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module and this module is isomorphic to the restriction of  $L$  to  $\Delta D$ . Therefore the  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q} (= L)$  is indecomposable. Since the vertex of the indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[R]$ -module  $L$  is  $R$ , the vertex of the indecomposable  $\mathcal{O}[\Delta D]$ -module  $L^{\langle 1 \rangle \times Q}$  is  $\Delta D$ .

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