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# Inducing braces and Hopf Galois structures $\stackrel{\Rightarrow}{\sim}$

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#### ABSTRACT

Let p be a prime number and let n be an integer not divisible by p and such that every group of order np has a normal subgroup of order p. (This holds in particular for p > n.) Under these hypotheses, we obtain a one-to-one correspondence between the isomorphism classes of braces of size np and the set of pairs  $(B_n, [\tau])$ , where  $B_n$ runs over the isomorphism classes of braces of size n and  $[\tau]$  runs over the classes of group morphisms from the multiplicative group of  $B_n$  to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  under a certain equivalence relation. This correspondence gives the classification of braces of size np from the one of braces of size n. From this result we derive a formula giving the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times E$  on a Galois extension of degree np in terms of the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type E on a Galois extension of degree n. For a prime number  $p \geq 7$ , we apply the obtained results to describe all left braces of size 12p and determine the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type on a Galois extension of degree 12p.

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#### 1. Introduction

In [11] Rump introduced an algebraic structure called brace to study set-theoretic solutions of the Yang-Baxter equation. A left brace is a triple  $(B, +, \cdot)$ , where B is a set and + and  $\cdot$  are operations on B such that (B, +) is an abelian group,  $(B, \cdot)$  is a group and the brace relation is satisfied, namely,

$$a(b+c) = ab - a + ac,$$

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for all  $a, b, c \in B$ . We call N = (B, +) the additive group and  $G = (B, \cdot)$  the multiplicative group of the left brace. The cardinal of B is called the size of the brace. If (B, +) is not abelian, the corresponding brace is called a skew brace.

Given any abelian group (A, +), it is easy to check that (A, +, +) is a brace. Such a brace is called a trivial brace. We note that any brace of prime size is trivial (see [2] Proposition 2.4).

Let  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be left braces. A map  $f: B_1 \to B_2$  is said to be a brace morphism if f(b+b') = f(b)+f(b')and f(bb') = f(b)f(b') for all  $b, b' \in B_1$ . If f is bijective, we say that f is an isomorphism. In that case we say that the braces  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are isomorphic.

In [3] Bachiller proved that given an abelian group N, there is a bijective correspondence between left braces with additive group N, and regular subgroups of Hol(N) such that isomorphic left braces correspond to regular subgroups of Hol(N) which are conjugate by elements of Aut(N).

In [5] Lemma 2.1, it is proved that  $\operatorname{Aut}(N)$ , as a subgroup of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ , is action-closed with respect to the conjugation action of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$  on the set of regular subgroups of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ . Therefore, given an abelian group N, the set of isomorphism classes of left braces with additive group N is in bijective correspondence with the set of conjugacy classes of regular subgroups in  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ .

In [1] skew left braces of size pq are classified, where p > q are prime numbers. In [9] a classification of left braces of order  $p^2q$ , where p, q are prime numbers such that q > p + 1 is given. In [5] the following conjecture on the number b(12p) of isomorphism classes of left braces of size 12p is formulated, where p is a prime number,  $p \ge 7$ .

$$b(12p) = \begin{cases} 24 & \text{if } p \equiv 11 \pmod{12}, \\ 28 & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{12}, \\ 34 & \text{if } p \equiv 7 \pmod{12}, \\ 40 & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}. \end{cases}$$
(1)

We note that b(24) = 96, b(36) = 46 and b(60) = 28 (see [14]).

Let  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be left braces. Then  $B_1 \times B_2$  together with + and  $\cdot$  defined by

$$(a,b) + (a',b') = (a+a',b+b')$$
  $(a,b) \cdot (a',b') = (aa',bb')$ 

is a left brace called the direct product of the braces  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ .

Let  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be left braces. Let  $\tau : (B_2, \cdot) \to \operatorname{Aut}(B_1, +, \cdot)$  be a morphism of groups. Consider in  $B_1 \times B_2$  the additive structure of the direct product  $(B_1, +) \times (B_2, +)$ 

$$(a,b) + (a',b') = (a + a', b + b')$$

and the multiplicative structure of the semidirect product  $(B_1, \cdot) \rtimes_{\tau} (B_2, \cdot)$ 

$$(a,b)\cdot(a',b') = (a\tau_b(a'),bb')$$

Then, we get a left brace, which is called the semidirect product of the left braces  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  via  $\tau$ .

A Hopf Galois structure on a finite extension of fields K/k is a pair  $(\mathcal{H}, \mu)$  where  $\mathcal{H}$  is a finite cocommutative k-Hopf algebra and  $\mu$  is a Hopf action of  $\mathcal{H}$  on K, i.e. a k-linear map  $\mu : \mathcal{H} \to \operatorname{End}_k(K)$  giving K a left  $\mathcal{H}$ -module algebra structure and inducing a bijection  $K \otimes_k \mathcal{H} \to \operatorname{End}_k(K)$ . Hopf Galois extensions were introduced by Chase and Sweedler in [6]. For a Galois field extension K/k with Galois group G, Greither and Pareigis [10] give a bijective correspondence between Hopf Galois structures on K/k and regular subgroups N of Sym(G) normalized by  $\lambda(G)$ , where  $\lambda$  denotes left translation. For a given Hopf Galois structure on K/k, we will refer to the isomorphism class of the correspondence is established between regular subgroups N of Sym(G) normalized by  $\lambda(G)$  and regular subgroups of the holomorph  $\operatorname{Hol}(N) = N \rtimes \operatorname{Aut} N$ . As a corollary, Byott obtains the following formula.

**Proposition 1** ([4] Corollary to Proposition 1). Let K/k be a Galois extension with Galois group G. Let N be a group of order |G|. Let a(N,G) denote the number of Hopf Galois structures of type N on K/k and let b(N,G) denote the number of regular subgroups of Hol(N) isomorphic to G. Then

$$a(N,G) = \frac{|\operatorname{Aut} G|}{|\operatorname{Aut} N|} b(N,G).$$

In [7] we have established a one-to-one correspondence between the set of isomorphism classes of braces of size 8p, for a prime number  $p \neq 3, 7$ , and the set of pairs consisting of an isomorphism class of braces of size 8 and a certain class of morphisms  $\tau : (B_n, \circ) \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . We have used this result to determine all braces of size 8p. In this paper we generalize this result to braces of size np, where p is a prime number and n an integer not divisible by p and such that every group of order np has a normal subgroup of order p. We note that these hypotheses hold in particular for p > n. More precisely, Proposition 4 below gives that any brace of size np may be explicitly obtained from a brace  $(B_n, \cdot, \circ)$  of size n and a group morphism  $\tau : (B_n, \circ) \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . Moreover we obtain a one-to-one correspondence between isomorphism classes of braces of size np and pairs  $(B_n, [\tau])$ , where  $B_n$  runs over the isomorphism classes of braces of size n and  $[\tau]$  runs over a set of classes of morphisms  $\tau$  from  $(B_n, \circ)$  to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  under the relation specified in Proposition 4. From our result on braces we derive a formula giving the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times E$  on a Galois extension of degree np. For a prime number  $p \geq 7$ , we apply the obtained results to describe all left braces of size 12p and determine the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type on a Galois extension of degree 12p. As a consequence of our classification of left braces of size 12p, for p a prime number,  $p \geq 7$ , we establish the validity of conjecture (1).

We note that in [12] and [13], Kohl considers also Hopf Galois structures on Galois extensions of degree np, where p is a prime number and n an integer, non divisible by p. He works under the hypotheses that all groups of order np have a normal subgroup of order p and that p is not a divisor of the order of the automorphism groups of any group of order n. He applies his method to several families of Galois extensions of degree a square free integer.

From now on, p and n will always satisfy the following hypotheses.

(H): p is a prime number and n an integer such that p does not divide n and each group of order np has a normal subgroup of order p.

#### 2. Braces of size np

The following proposition is a generalization of [7], Proposition 1.

**Proposition 2.** Let p be a prime and n an integer such that p does not divide n and each group of order np has a normal subgroup of order p. Then every left brace of size np is a direct or semidirect product of the trivial brace of size p and a left brace of size n.

**Proof.** Let *B* be a left brace of size np with additive group *N* and multiplicative group *G*. Then, by the Schur-Zassenhaus theorem,  $N = \mathbf{Z}_p \times E$  with *E* an abelian group of order *n* and  $G = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F$  with *F* a group of order *n* and  $\tau : F \to \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbf{Z}_p)$  a group morphism (the trivial one giving the direct product). Let us observe that, since we are working with the trivial brace of size *p*, the group of brace automorphisms is the classical group  $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathbf{Z}_p) \simeq \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ .

Then, for  $(a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2), (c_1, c_2) \in B$ ,

$$(a_1, a_2)((b_1, b_2) + (c_1, c_2)) + (a_1, a_2) = (a_1, a_2)(b_1 + c_1, b_2 + c_2) + (a_1, a_2) = (a_1 + \tau_{a_2}(b_1 + c_1) + a_1, a_2(b_2 + c_2) + a_2).$$

On the other hand,

$$(a_1, a_2)(b_1, b_2) + (a_1, a_2)(c_1, c_2) = (a_1 + \tau_{a_2}(b_1) + a_1 + \tau_{a_2}(c_1), a_2b_2 + a_2c_2)$$

Therefore, from the brace condition of B we obtain an equality in the second component which tells us that we have a brace B' of size n with additive group E and multiplicative group F. Then, B is the semidirect product via  $\tau$  of the trivial brace with group  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  and this brace B'.  $\Box$ 

**Remark 3.** The third Sylow theorem gives that the hypotheses in Proposition 2 are satisfied in particular when p > n.

As a corollary to Proposition 2, we obtain that for each brace of size n, there is a left brace of size np which is the direct product of the unique brace of size p and the given brace of size n. The braces of size np which are a semidirect product of the unique brace of size p and a brace of size n are determined by the following proposition, which generalizes Proposition 4 in [7].

**Proposition 4.** Let p be a prime and n an integer such that p does not divide n and each group of order np has a normal subgroup of order p. Let  $N = \mathbf{Z}_p \times E$  be an abelian group of order np.

The conjugacy classes of regular subgroups of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$  are in one-to-one correspondence with couples  $(F, \tau)$ where F runs over a set of representatives of conjugacy classes of regular subgroups of  $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$  and  $\tau$  runs over representatives of classes of group morphisms  $\tau : F \to \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbf{Z}_p)$  under the relation  $\tau \simeq \tau'$  if and only if there exists  $\nu \in \operatorname{Aut}(E)$  such that the corresponding inner automorphism  $\Phi_{\nu}$  of  $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$  satisfies  $\Phi_{\nu}(F) = F$ and  $\tau = \tau' \circ \Phi_{\nu}|_F$ .

**Proof.** As in Proposition 2, we may apply the Schur-Zassenhaus theorem and obtain that groups of order np are semidirect products  $G = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F$  with F a group of order n and  $\tau : F \to \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbf{Z}_p)$  a group morphism.

For a given couple  $(F, \tau)$  the semidirect product is

$$G = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F = \{((m, \tau(f)), f) \mid m \in \mathbf{Z}_p, f \in F\} \subseteq (\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_p^*) \times \operatorname{Hol}(E) = \operatorname{Hol}(N)$$

and the action on N is given by ((m, k), f)(z, x) = (m + kz, fx). Since G contains  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we have transitivity in the first component and G is regular in  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$  if and only if F is regular in  $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ .

Let us describe inner automorphisms of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N) = (\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_p^*) \times (E \rtimes \operatorname{Aut}(E))$ . We write elements in  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ as  $(m, k, a, \sigma)$  accordingly. Since we are dealing with regular subgroups, we just have to consider conjugation by elements  $(i, \nu) \in \operatorname{Aut}(N) = \mathbf{Z}_p^* \times \operatorname{Aut}(E)$ . Let  $\Phi_{(i,\nu)}$  be the inner automorphism corresponding to  $(i, \nu)$ inside  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ . Then,

$$\begin{split} \Phi_{(i,\nu)}(m,k,a,\sigma) &= (0,i,0,\nu)(m,k,a,\sigma)(0,i,0,\nu)^{-1} \\ &= (im,ik,\nu(a),\nu\sigma)(0,i^{-1},0,\nu^{-1}) \\ &= (im,k,\nu(a),\nu\sigma\nu^{-1}) \end{split}$$

If we work in Hol(E), conjugation by  $\nu \in Aut(E)$  is

$$\Phi_{\nu}(a,\sigma) = (0,\nu)(a,\sigma)(0,\nu^{-1}) = (\nu(a),\nu\sigma\nu^{-1}).$$

Let  $G = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F = \{(m, \tau(a, \sigma), a, \sigma) \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}_p, (a, \sigma) \in F\}$ . Then,

$$\Phi_{(i,\nu)}(G) = \{ (im, \tau(a,\sigma), \nu(a), \nu\sigma\nu^{-1}) \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}_p, (a,\sigma) \in F \}$$

Since  $i \in \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ , im runs over  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  as m does. Therefore, if  $(F', \tau')$  is another pair, we have

$$\Phi_{(i,\nu)}(G) = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau'} F' \iff F' = \Phi_{\nu}(F), \text{ and } \tau = \tau' \circ \Phi_{\nu}|_F$$

Let us observe that in that case  $\ker \tau' = \Phi_{\nu}(\ker \tau)$ .  $\Box$ 

#### 3. Hopf Galois structures on a Galois field extension of degree np

From Proposition 4 we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 5.** Let *E* be a group of order  $n, N = \mathbf{Z}_p \times E$ . Let *F* be a regular subgroup of  $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$  and  $\tau : F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ a group morphism. The length of the conjugacy class of the regular subgroup of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$  corresponding to  $(F, \tau)$  is equal to the length of the conjugacy class of *F* in  $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$  times the number of morphisms from *F* to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  equivalent to  $\tau$  under the relation defined in Proposition 4.

Using this corollary, we shall determine, the number of regular subgroups of the holomorph of N. Applying then Byott's formula (Proposition 1), we shall obtain the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type on a Galois extension of degree np. We note that all these Galois structures are induced, in the sense of [8], by Theorem 9 in [8]. In order to apply Byott's formula, we determine the automorphisms of a semidirect product  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F$ .

Let  $G = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes F$ , with F a group of order n. By the Schur-Zassenhaus theorem, any subgroup of G of order equal to |F| is conjugate to F. We assume that the semidirect product is not direct, then F has exactly p conjugates, namely  $F_i := (i, 1_F)F(-i, 1_F), 0 \leq i \leq p - 1$ . If  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of G, then  $\varphi(\mathbf{Z}_p) = \mathbf{Z}_p$  and  $\varphi(F)$  is a subgroup of G isomorphic to F. We have then  $\varphi(F) = F_i$  for some i. Let

$$S = \{ \varphi \in \operatorname{Aut} G : \varphi(F) = F \}.$$

Clearly S is a subgroup of Aut(G). Let  $C_i$  denote conjugation by (i, 1) in Aut(G). Then  $\{C_i\}_{0 \le i \le p-1}$  is a transversal of S in Aut(G), hence  $|\operatorname{Aut}(G)| = p|S|$ .

We give now a characterization of S in terms of Aut  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ , Aut F and the morphism  $\tau : F \to \operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_p \simeq \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ defining the semidirect product  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes F$ .

**Proposition 6.** The image of the injective map

$$S \to \operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_p \times \operatorname{Aut} F, \quad \varphi \mapsto (\varphi_{|\mathbf{Z}_p}, \varphi_{|F})$$

is precisely the set of pairs  $(f,g) \in \operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_p \times \operatorname{Aut} F$  such that  $\tau g = \tau$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Aut} G$ . For  $x \in F$ ,  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , we have  $x1 = \tau(x)x$ . Applying  $\varphi$  to this equality, we get  $\varphi(x)\varphi(1) = \varphi(\tau(x))\varphi(x)$ . Now, since  $\varphi(x) \in F$  and  $\varphi(1) \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , we have  $\varphi(x)\varphi(1) = \tau(\varphi(x))\varphi(1)\varphi(x)$ . We obtain then the equality  $\varphi(\tau(x)) = \tau(\varphi(x))\varphi(1)$ . This implies  $\varphi_{|\mathbb{Z}_p}\tau(x) = \tau(\varphi_{|F}(x))\varphi_{|\mathbb{Z}_p}$  in  $\operatorname{Aut} \mathbb{Z}_p$ . Since  $\operatorname{Aut} \mathbb{Z}_p$  is commutative, we obtain  $\tau = \tau \varphi_{|F}$ .

Reciprocally, let  $(f,g) \in \operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_p \times \operatorname{Aut} F$  such that  $\tau g = \tau$ . We define a map  $\varphi$  from  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times F$  to  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times F$  by  $\varphi(i,x) = (f(i),g(x))$ . Now  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F$  if and only if  $\varphi((i,x)(j,y)) = \varphi((i,x))\varphi((j,y))$ , equivalently  $(f(i+\tau(x)j),g(xy))) = (f(i),g(x))(f(j),g(y)) = (f(i)+\tau(g(x))f(j),g(x)g(y))$ . Since g is an

automorphism, the two second components coincide. Since f is an automorphism, the equality of the first components is equivalent to  $f(\tau(x)j) = \tau(g(x))f(j)$  for all j, equivalently  $f\tau(x) = \tau(g(x))f$ , for all  $x \in F$ , which is fulfilled, since  $\tau g = \tau$  and Aut  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  is commutative.  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 7.** For  $G = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F$ , with  $\tau$  a nontrivial morphism from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$ , we have  $|\operatorname{Aut} G| = p(p-1)|S_0|$ , where  $S_0 = \{g \in \operatorname{Aut} F | \tau g = \tau\}$ .

**Proof.** From the proposition we obtain clearly  $S = \operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_p \times S_0$ , hence  $|\operatorname{Aut} G| = p|S| = p(p-1)|S_0|$ .  $\Box$ 

#### 4. Braces of size 12p: direct products

There are five groups of order 12, up to isomorphism, two abelian ones  $C_{12}$  and  $C_6 \times C_2$  and three non-abelian ones, the alternating group  $A_4$ , the dihedral group  $D_{2\cdot 6}$  and the dicyclic group  $\text{Dic}_{12}$ . By computation with Magma, we obtain that the number of conjugacy classes of regular subgroups of Hol(E)isomorphic to F, equivalently, the number of isomorphism classes of left braces with additive group E and multiplicative group F is as shown in the following table.

$E \backslash F$	$C_{12}$	$C_6 \times C_2$	$A_4$	$D_{2\cdot 6}$	$\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$
$C_{12}$	1	1	0	2	1
$C_6 \times C_2$	1	1	1	1	1

For p a prime number,  $p \ge 7$ , the Sylow theorems give that a group G of order 12p has a normal subgroup  $H_p$  of order p. We obtain then the following corollary to Proposition 2.

**Corollary 8.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime. Every left brace of size 12p is a direct or semidirect product of the trivial brace of size p and a left brace of size 12.

From the description of the braces of size 12 and the definition of direct product of braces we obtain the following result.

**Proposition 9.** For a prime number p, there are 10 left braces of size 12p which are direct product of the unique brace of size p and a brace of size 12.

## 5. Braces of size 12p: semidirect products

For  $p \geq 7$  and n = 12, the hypotheses of Proposition 4 are satisfied and we shall apply it to determine the braces of size 12p which are semidirect products of the unique brace of size p and a brace of size 12. To this end, we shall consider the braces of order 12 with additive group E and multiplicative group F and determine the classes of the morphisms  $\tau : F \to \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbf{Z}_p)$  under the relation described in Proposition 4. We note that finding all such morphisms  $\tau$  reduces to consider the normal subgroups F' of F such that F/F'is a cyclic group C whose order divides p - 1 and taking into account the automorphisms of C. From now on, the kernel of  $\tau$  will be referred to as the kernel of the brace (or conjugation class of regular subgroups) determined by the pair  $(F, \tau)$ .

**Remark 10** (Description of the holomorphs). We consider now the abelian groups of order 12, that is,  $E = C_{12}$  and  $E = C_6 \times C_2$  and describe Hol(E) in each case.

For  $E = C_{12} = \mathbf{Z}_{12}$ , we have  $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathbf{Z}_{12}) = \mathbf{Z}_{12}^* = \{1, 5, 7, 11\} \simeq C_2 \times C_2$  and  $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbf{Z}_{12}) = \{(x, l) : x \in \mathbf{Z}_{12}, l \in \mathbf{Z}_{12}^*\}$  with product given by (x, l)(y, m) = (x + ly, lm).

For  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ , we have  $\operatorname{Aut}(E) \simeq D_{2\cdot 6}$ . We write  $C_6 \times C_2 = \langle a \rangle \times \langle b \rangle$  and consider the automorphisms  $\rho, \sigma$  of E defined by

We may check that  $\rho$  has order 6,  $\sigma$  has order 2 and  $\sigma\rho\sigma = \rho^{-1}$ , hence  $\operatorname{Aut}(E) = \langle \rho, \sigma \rangle$ . We have  $\operatorname{Hol}(E) = \{(x, \varphi) : x \in E, \varphi \in \operatorname{Aut} E\}$  with product defined by  $(x, \varphi)(y, \psi) = (x\varphi(y), \varphi\psi)$ .

We shall use the descriptions above throughout this section.

5.1.  $F = C_{12}$ 

Let us write  $F = \langle x \rangle$ . We determine now the possible morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . To be used in Section 6, we compute  $S_0(\tau) = \{g \in \operatorname{Aut} F | \tau g = \tau\}$ . We have  $\operatorname{Aut} C_{12} \simeq \mathbf{Z}_{12}^* = \{1, 5, 7, 11\}$ .

- 1) There is a unique morphism  $\tau: F \to \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  with kernel of order 6, namely the one sending the generator x of F to -1. We have  $S_0(\tau) = \operatorname{Aut} F$ .
- 2) When  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  has a (unique) subgroup of order 4. Let  $\zeta_4$  be a generator of it. We may define two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 3, namely

$$\tau_1: x \mapsto \zeta_4, \quad \tau_2: x \mapsto \zeta_4^{-1}.$$

We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = S_0(\tau_2) = \{1, 5\}.$ 

3) When  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  has a (unique) subgroup of order 6. Let  $\zeta_6$  be a generator of it. We may define two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 2, namely

$$\tau_1: x \mapsto \zeta_6, \quad \tau_2: x \mapsto \zeta_6^{-1}$$

and two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 4, namely

$$\tau_3: x \mapsto \zeta_6^2, \quad \tau_4: x \mapsto \zeta_6^{-2}.$$

We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = S_0(\tau_2) = S_0(\tau_3) = S_0(\tau_4) = \{1, 7\}.$ 

4) When  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  has a (unique) subgroup of order 12. Let  $\zeta_{12}$  be a generator of it. We may define four morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a trivial kernel, namely

$$\tau_1 : x \mapsto \zeta_{12}, \qquad \tau_2 : x \mapsto \zeta_{12}^5,$$
  
$$\tau_3 : x \mapsto \zeta_{12}^{-5}, \qquad \tau_4 : x \mapsto \zeta_{12}^{-1}$$

We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = S_0(\tau_2) = S_0(\tau_3) = S_0(\tau_4) = \{1\}.$ 

Case  $E = C_{12}$ 

If  $E = C_{12}$ , we may take  $F = \langle (1,1) \rangle \subset \text{Hol}(E)$ , i.e. we have now x = (1,1). We determine the conjugation relations between the morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ .

1) We consider the two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 3. We observe that  $\tau_2(-1,1) = \tau_2((1,1)^{-1}) = \zeta_4$ , hence  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_{-1}$  and we obtain then one brace.

- 2) We consider the two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 2 and the two with a kernel of order 4. We have  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_{-1}$  and  $\tau_3 = \tau_4 \Phi_{-1}$  and obtain then two braces.
- 3) We consider the four morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$  with a trivial kernel. We observe that  $(1,1)^{5} = (5,1), (1,1)^{-5} = (-5,1), (1,1)^{-1} = (-1,1)$ , hence  $\tau_{1} = \tau_{2}\Phi_{5} = \tau_{3}\Phi_{-5} = \tau_{4}\Phi_{-1}$  and obtain then one brace.

We state the obtained result in the following proposition.

**Proposition 11.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times \mathbf{Z}_{12}$  and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_{12}$ .

- 1) If  $p \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$  there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$  there are 3 such braces. Two of them are as in 1) and the third one has a kernel of order 3.
- 3) If  $p \equiv 7 \pmod{12}$  there are 4 such braces. Two of them are as in 1) and the other two have kernels of orders 2 and 4, respectively.
- 4) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$  there are 6 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other five have kernels of orders 6,4,3,2,1, respectively.

Case  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ 

For  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ , we use the notations in Remark 10. We may take  $F = \langle (ab, \varphi) \rangle \subset Hol(E)$ , where  $\varphi$  is the order 2 automorphism defined by  $\varphi(a) = a, \varphi(b) = a^3b$ , i.e.  $\varphi = \rho^3 \sigma$ . We may check that F is indeed a cyclic group of order 12 and a regular subgroup of Hol(E). We have now  $x = (ab, \varphi)$ . We determine the conjugation relations between the morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ .

- 1) For the two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 3, we observe that  $(ab, \varphi)^{-1} = (\varphi(a^{-1}b), \varphi) = (a^2b, \varphi)$ , hence  $\tau_2(a^2b, \varphi) = \zeta_4$ . We have then  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_\sigma$ , since  $\Phi_\sigma(ab, \rho^3\sigma) = \sigma(ab, \rho^3\sigma)\sigma^{-1} = (\sigma(ab), \sigma(\rho^3\sigma)\sigma) = (a^2b, \rho^3\sigma)$ . We obtain then one brace.
- 2) For the two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 2 and the two with a kernel of order 4, as in the preceding case, we have  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_\sigma$  and  $\tau_3 = \tau_4 \Phi_\sigma$  and obtain then two braces.
- 3) For the four morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a trivial kernel, we observe that  $(ab, \varphi)^5 = (a^5b, \varphi), (ab, \varphi)^{-5} = (a^4b, \varphi), (ab, \varphi)^{-1} = (a^2b, \varphi),$  hence  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_{\rho^3} = \tau_3 \Phi_{\rho^3\sigma} = \tau_4 \Phi_{\sigma}$  and we obtain then one brace.

We state the obtained result in the following proposition.

**Proposition 12.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times \mathbf{Z}_6 \times \mathbf{Z}_2$ and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_{12}$ .

- 1) If  $p \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$  there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$  there are 3 such braces. Two of them are as in 1) and the third one has a kernel of order 3.
- 3) If  $p \equiv 7 \pmod{12}$  there are 4 such braces. Two of them are as in 1) and the other two have kernels of orders 2 and 4, respectively.
- 4) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$  there are 6 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other five have kernels of orders 6,4,3,2,1, respectively.

5.2.  $F = C_6 \times C_2$ 

Let us write  $F = \langle x, y \rangle$ , with x of order 6, y of order 2. We determine now the possible morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ . To be used in Section 6, we compute  $S_0(\tau) = \{g \in \operatorname{Aut} F | \tau g = \tau\}$ . We use the determination of Aut F given in Remark 10.

1) There are three morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$  with kernel of order 6, namely

with kernels  $\langle x \rangle, \langle xy \rangle, \langle x^2y \rangle$ , respectively. We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = \langle \rho^3, \sigma \rangle, S_0(\tau_2) = \langle \rho^3, \rho^2\sigma \rangle, S_0(\tau_3) = \langle \rho^3, \rho\sigma \rangle.$ 

2) In order to have a morphism  $\tau$  with Ker $\tau$  of order 2 or 4, it is necessary that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ . In this case, let  $\zeta_6$  be a generator of the unique subgroup of order 6 of  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . We may define six morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 2, namely

$$\begin{split} \tau_1 : & x \mapsto \zeta_6 & \tau_2 : & x \mapsto \zeta_6^{-1} & \text{ with } \operatorname{Ker} \tau = < y > \\ & y \mapsto 1 & y \mapsto 1, \\ \tau_3 : & x \mapsto \zeta_6^2 & \tau_4 : & x \mapsto \zeta_6^{-2} & \text{ with } \operatorname{Ker} \tau = < x^3 > \\ & y \mapsto \zeta_6^3 & y \mapsto \zeta_6^3, \\ \tau_5 : & x \mapsto \zeta_6 & \tau_6 : & x \mapsto \zeta_6^{-1} & \text{ with } \operatorname{Ker} \tau = < x^3 y > \\ & y \mapsto \zeta_6^3 & y \mapsto \zeta_6^3. \end{split}$$

We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = S_0(\tau_2) = \langle \rho \sigma \rangle$ ,  $S_0(\tau_3) = S_0(\tau_4) = \langle \rho^3 \sigma \rangle$ ,  $S_0(\tau_5) = S_0(\tau_6) = \langle \rho^5 \sigma \rangle$ . We may further define two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 4, namely

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1 : & x \mapsto \zeta_6^2 \quad \tau_2 : \quad x \mapsto \zeta_6^{-2} \\ & y \mapsto 1 \qquad \qquad y \mapsto 1. \end{aligned}$$

We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = S_0(\tau_2) = \langle \rho^2, \rho \sigma \rangle$ .

# Case $E = C_{12}$

We know that in  $Hol(C_{12})$  there is only one regular subgroup isomorphic to F. We may take

$$F = \langle \alpha = (2,1), \beta = (3,7) \rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E)$$

following the notation in Remark 10.

The element  $\alpha$  has order 6, the element  $\beta$  has order 2, they commute with each other and generate a regular subgroup of order 12. We have now  $x = \alpha, y = \beta$ . We determine the conjugation relations between the morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ .

1) For the morphisms from F to  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  with kernel of order 6, we have  $\tau_2 = \tau_3 \Phi_{-1}$  and  $\tau_1$  is not conjugate to the other two, since the second component of  $\alpha$  is different from those of  $\alpha\beta$  and  $\alpha^2\beta$ . We obtain then two braces.

- 2) For the morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 4, we observe that  $\tau_2 \Phi_{11}(\alpha) = \zeta_3$  and  $\tau_2 \Phi_{11}(\beta) = 1$ , hence  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_{11}$  and we obtain then a unique brace.
- 3) For the morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 2, we observe that  $\tau_2 = \tau_1 \Phi_5$ ,  $\tau_5 = \tau_1 \Phi_7$ ,  $\tau_6 = \tau_1 \Phi_{-1}$  and  $\tau_4 = \tau_3 \Phi_{-1}$ . So we obtain only two braces (determined by  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_3$ ).

We state the obtained result in the following proposition.

**Proposition 13.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times C_{12}$  and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes (C_6 \times C_2)$ .

- 1) If  $p \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$  there are 3 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other two have a kernel of order 6.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 7 \pmod{12}$  there are 6 such braces. One of them is a direct product, two have kernel of order 6, two have kernels of order 2 and one has kernel of order 4.
- 3) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$  there are 3 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other two have a kernel of order 6.
- 4) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$  there are 6 such braces. One of them is a direct product, two have kernel of order 6, two have kernels of orders 2 and one has kernel of order 4.

Case  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ 

If  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ , we may take  $F = \langle (a, \mathrm{Id}), (b, \mathrm{Id}) \rangle \subset \mathrm{Hol}(E)$ , following the notation of Remark 10. We may check that F is indeed a regular subgroup of order 12 of  $\mathrm{Hol}(E)$  isomorphic to  $C_6 \times C_2$ . We have now  $x = (a, \mathrm{Id}), y = (b, \mathrm{Id})$ . We determine the conjugation relations between the morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ .

- 1) For the morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with kernel of order 6, we have  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_{\rho^4} = \tau_3 \Phi_{\rho^5}$ . We obtain then one brace.
- 2) For the morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 4, we observe that  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_{\rho^3}$  and obtain then a unique brace.
- 3) For the morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with a kernel of order 2, we observe that  $\tau_6 = \tau_1 \Phi_\rho = \tau_2 \Phi_{\rho^4} = \tau_3 \Phi_{\rho^2} = \tau_4 \Phi_{\sigma\rho^2} = \tau_5 \Phi_{\rho^3}$ . So we obtain only one brace.

We state the obtained result in the following proposition.

**Proposition 14.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times (C_6 \times C_2)$ and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes (C_6 \times C_2)$ .

- 1) If  $p \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$  there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 7 \pmod{12}$  there are 4 such braces. One of them is a direct product, and the other three have kernels of orders 2, 4 and 6, respectively.
- 3) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$  there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6.
- 4) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$  there are 4 such braces. One of them is a direct product, and the other three have kernels of orders 2, 4 and 6, respectively.

5.3.  $F = A_4$ 

This case only occurs for  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ . We use the notation of Remark 10 for the generators of Hol(E). We have  $A_4 = V_4 \rtimes C_3$  and we may take  $F = \langle a^3, b, (a^4, \rho^2) \rangle \subset$  Hol(E), since  $a^3, b$  are order 2 elements commuting between them and  $(a^4, \rho^2)$  has order 3 and satisfies  $(a^4, \rho^2)a^3(a^4, \rho^2)^{-1} = b, (a^4, \rho^2)b(a^4, \rho^2)^{-1} = a^3b$ . We may further check that F is a regular subgroup of Hol(E). Since  $V_4$  is the unique proper nontrivial normal subgroup of  $A_4$ , we have that a nontrivial morphism from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  has image a cyclic group of order 3. We have then two cases.

- 1) If  $p \neq 1 \pmod{3}$ , the unique morphism from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  is the trivial one and there is just one brace with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times \mathbf{Z}_6 \times \mathbf{Z}_2$  and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes A_4$ , the one whose multiplicative group is a direct product.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , let  $\zeta_3$  be a generator of the (unique) subgroup of order 3 of  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . We may define two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$ , with kernel  $\langle a^3, b \rangle$ , namely

$$\tau_1 : (a^4, \rho^2) \mapsto \zeta_3, \quad \tau_2 : (a^4, \rho^2) \mapsto \zeta_3^{-1}.$$

We note that  $(a^4, \rho^2)^{-1} = (a^2, \rho^4) = \sigma(a^4, \rho^2)\sigma$ , hence  $\tau_1 = \tau_2 \Phi_\sigma$  and we obtain one brace.

We state the obtained result in the following proposition.

**Proposition 15.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times \mathbf{Z}_6 \times \mathbf{Z}_2$ and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes A_4$ .

- 1) If  $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  there is just one such brace, which is a direct product.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  there are 2 such braces. One is a direct product and the second one has kernel isomorphic to  $V_4$ .

To be used in Section 6, we compute  $S_0(\tau) = \{g \in \text{Aut } F \mid \tau g = \tau\}$  for the two nontrivial morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . We have  $\text{Aut } A_4 \simeq S_4$  and the isomorphism is obtained by sending a permutation in  $S_4$  to the corresponding conjugation automorphism. We obtain  $S_0(\tau_1) = S_0(\tau_2) = A_4$ .

5.4.  $F = D_{2.6}$ 

Let us write  $F = \langle r, s | r^6 = \text{Id}, s^2 = \text{Id}, srs = r^5 \rangle$ . We describe the morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ . To be used in Section 6, we compute  $S_0(\tau) = \{g \in \text{Aut } F | \tau g = \tau\}$ . We have  $\text{Aut } D_{2\cdot 6} = \langle \rho, \sigma \rangle \simeq D_{2\cdot 6}$ , where  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$ are defined as follows.

The only nontrivial morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  are three morphisms with kernel of order 6, namely

with kernels  $\langle r \rangle$ ,  $\langle r^2, rs \rangle$  and  $\langle r^2, s \rangle$ , respectively. We observe that Ker  $\tau_1$  is cyclic, while Ker  $\tau_2$  and Ker  $\tau_3$  are isomorphic to the dihedral group  $D_{2\cdot3}$ . We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = \operatorname{Aut} F, S_0(\tau_2) = S_0(\tau_3) = \langle \rho^2, \sigma \rangle$ .

# Case $E = C_{12}$

There are two regular subgroups of Hol(E) isomorphic to  $D_{2.6}$ , up to conjugacy by Aut E,

$$F_1 = \langle \alpha_1 = (2,1), \beta_1 = (1,11) \rangle, \quad F_2 = \langle \alpha_2 = (1,7), \beta_2 = (3,11) \rangle.$$

For  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $\alpha_i$  has order 6,  $\beta_i$  has order 2, and  $\alpha_i \beta_i \alpha_i = \beta_i$ , so  $F_i \cong D_{2\cdot 6}$ . It is checked easily that  $F_i$  is regular. We have now  $r = \alpha_i, s = \beta_i, i = 1, 2$ .

We consider the morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with kernel of order 6. Since  $\operatorname{Ker}(\tau_1)$  is cyclic while  $\operatorname{Ker} \tau_2$  and  $\operatorname{Ker} \tau_3$  are not,  $\tau_1$  is not conjugate to the other two morphisms. We denote  $\tau_2^{(i)}, \tau_3^{(i)} : F_i \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*, i = 1, 2$ . Since  $\Phi_7(\alpha_1) = \alpha_1$  and  $\Phi_7(\beta_1) = \alpha_1^3\beta_1$ , we obtain  $\tau_2^{(1)} = \tau_3^{(1)}\Phi_7$ . For  $\tau_2^{(2)}$  and  $\tau_3^{(2)}$  to be conjugate, we would need  $\Phi_{\nu}(\beta_2) = \alpha_2^k\beta_2$ , with an odd k. Since the second component of  $\beta_2$  is 11 and the second component of  $\alpha_2^k\beta_2$  is 5, for an odd k, there is no such  $\Phi_{\nu}$ . Hence  $\tau_2^{(2)}$  and  $\tau_3^{(2)}$  are not conjugate and we obtain five braces, two of which have order 6 cyclic kernel.

**Proposition 16.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. Then there are 7 left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times C_{12}$  and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes D_{2\cdot 6}$ . Among these, two of them are a direct product, two other have cyclic kernel of order 6 and the other three have kernel isomorphic to  $D_{2\cdot 3}$ .

Case  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ 

If  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ , we may take  $F = \langle (a, \mathrm{Id}), (b, \rho^3) \rangle \subset \mathrm{Hol}(E)$ , which is regular. Indeed, one may check that  $(a, \mathrm{Id})$  is of order 6,  $(b, \rho^3)$  is of order 2,  $(a, \mathrm{Id})(b, \rho^3)(a, \mathrm{Id}) = (b, \rho^3)$  and F has trivial stabilizer. We have now  $r = (a, \mathrm{Id}), s = (b, \rho^3)$ .

We consider the morphisms from F to  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  with kernel of order 6. Again, since  $\operatorname{Ker}(\tau_1) \cong C_6$  and  $\operatorname{Ker}(\tau_i) \cong D_{2\cdot3}$ ,  $i \in \{2, 3\}$ ,  $\tau_1$  is not conjugate to the other two morphisms. Since  $\tau_2 \Phi_{\sigma} = \tau_3$ , we obtain one brace with cyclic kernel and one brace with dihedral kernel.

**Proposition 17.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. Then there are 3 left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times (C_6 \times C_2)$  and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes D_{2\cdot 6}$ . Among these, one of them is a direct product, one has cyclic kernel of order 6 and the other one has kernel isomorphic to  $D_{2\cdot 3}$ .

## 5.5. $F = \text{Dic}_{12}$

The dicyclic group  $Dic_{12}$  is a group with 12 elements that can be presented as

$$\text{Dic}_{12} = \langle x, y \, | \, x^3 = 1, y^4 = 1, yxy^{-1} = x^2 \rangle.$$

We determine now the possible morphisms  $\tau : F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . To be used in Section 6, we compute  $S_0(\tau) = \{g \in \operatorname{Aut} F | \tau g = \tau\}$ . We have  $\operatorname{Aut} \operatorname{Dic}_{12} = \langle \rho, \sigma \rangle \simeq D_{2.6}$ , where  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$  are defined as follows.

- 1) There is a unique morphism  $\tau$  from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with kernel of order 6, namely the one sending the generator x to 1 and y to -1. We have  $S_0(\tau) = \operatorname{Aut} F$ .
- 2) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , let  $\zeta_4$  be a generator of the subgroup of order 4 of  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$ . We may define two morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with kernel  $\langle x \rangle$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1: & x \mapsto 1 \quad \tau_2: \quad x \mapsto 1 \\ & y \mapsto \zeta_4 \qquad \qquad y \mapsto \zeta_4^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

We have  $S_0(\tau_1) = S_0(\tau_2) = \langle \rho^2, \sigma \rangle$ .

## Case $E = C_{12}$

We know that in  $Hol(C_{12})$  there exists only a regular subgroup isomorphic to F, up to conjugacy by Aut E. We may take

$$F = \langle x = (4,1), y = (1,5) \rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E),$$

following the notation in Remark 10. The element x has order 3, the element y has order 4 and they satisfy the relation  $yxy^{-1} = x^2$ . We may check that F is a regular subgroup of Hol( $C_{12}$ ).

We determine now the conjugation relations between the morphisms  $\tau: F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ .

For the morphisms from F to  $\mathbf{Z}_p^*$  with kernel  $\langle x \rangle$ , we observe that  $\tau_2 = \tau_1 \Phi_7$ , so we obtain, in this case, only one brace.

We state the obtained result in the following proposition.

**Proposition 18.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times C_{12}$  and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes \text{Dic}_{12}$ .

- 1) If  $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other one has a kernel of order 6.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  there are 3 such braces. One of them is a direct product, and the other two have kernels of order 6 and 3, respectively.

Case  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ 

If  $E = C_6 \times C_2$ , there is only a conjugacy class (of length 3) of regular subgroups isomorphic to Dic<sub>12</sub>. We may take

$$F = \langle x = (a^2, Id), y = (b, \sigma) \rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E),$$

following the notation in Remark 10. The element x has order 3, the element y has order 4 and they satisfy the relation  $yxy^{-1} = x^2$ . We may check that F is a regular subgroup of  $Hol(C_6 \times C_2)$ .

We determine now the conjugation relations between the morphisms  $\tau: F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$ .

For the morphisms  $\tau$  with a kernel of order 3, we observe that  $\tau_2 = \tau_1 \Phi_{\sigma}$ , so we obtain, in this case, only one brace.

We state the obtained result in the following proposition.

**Proposition 19.** Let  $p \ge 7$  be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times (C_6 \times C_2)$ and multiplicative group  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes \text{Dic}_{12}$ .

- 1) If  $p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other one has a kernel of order 6.
- 2) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  there are 3 such braces. One of them is a direct product, and the other two have kernels of order 6 and 3, respectively.

#### 5.6. Total numbers

For a prime number  $p \ge 7$  we compile in the following tables the total number of left braces of size 12p. The additive group is  $\mathbf{Z}_p \times E$  and the multiplicative group is a semidirect product  $\mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes F$ . In the first column we have the possible E's and in the first row the possible F's.

• If  $p \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$ 

	$C_{12}$	$C_6 \times C_2$	$A_4$	$D_{2 \cdot 6}$	$\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$	
$C_{12}$	2	3	0	7	2	
$C_6 \times C_2$	2	2	1	3	2	
	4	5	1	10	4	<b>24</b>

• If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$ 

	$C_{12}$	$C_6 \times C_2$	$A_4$	$D_{2\cdot 6}$	$\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$	
$C_{12}$	3	3	0	7	3	
$C_6 \times C_2$	3	2	1	3	3	
	6	5	1	10	6	28

• If  $p \equiv 7 \pmod{12}$ 

	$C_{12}$	$C_6 \times C_2$	$A_4$	$D_{2\cdot 6}$	$\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$	
$C_{12}$	4	6	0	7	2	
$C_6 \times C_2$	4	4	2	3	2	
	8	10	2	10	4	34

• If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$ 

	$C_{12}$	$C_6 \times C_2$	$A_4$	$D_{2\cdot 6}$	$\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$	
$C_{12}$ $C_6 \times C_2$	6	6	0	7	3	
$C_6 \times C_2$	6	4	2	3	3	
	12	10	2	10	6	40

With the results summarized in the above tables, the validity of conjecture (1) is then established.

# 6. Hopf Galois structures on a Galois field extension of degree 12p

Let E, F be groups of order 12 with E abelian. By computation with Magma, we obtain that the number of regular subgroups of Hol(E) isomorphic to F is as shown in the following table.

$E \backslash F$	$C_{12}$	$C_6 \times C_2$	$A_4$	$D_{2\cdot 6}$	$\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$
$C_{12}$	1	1	0	3	1
$C_6 \times C_2$	3	1	2	3	3

More precisely, for the groups  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  defined in the case  $F = D_{2\cdot 6}$ ,  $E = C_{12}$ , we obtain that  $F_1$  is normal in Hol(E) while the length of the conjugation class of  $F_2$  in Hol(E) is 2 and  $F'_2 = \langle (7,7), (9,11) \rangle$  is the second subgroup in this class.

For  $E = C_{12}$  or  $C_6 \times C_2$ , F a regular subgroup of  $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ ,  $N = \mathbb{Z}_p \times E$  and  $\tau : F \to \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  a group morphism, Corollary 5 gives the length of the conjugacy class of the regular subgroup G of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$  corresponding to  $(F, \tau)$ . For a fixed regular subgroup G of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ , we want to determine the number of regular subgroups of  $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$  isomorphic to G. This number is the sum of the lengths of the conjugacy classes corresponding to pairs  $(F, \tau)$  such that  $\mathbb{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F \simeq G$ . Then, we only need to consider the number of morphisms  $\tau$  from F to  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$  such that  $\mathbb{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F \simeq G$ , without taking into account their distribution into classes. For example, in the case  $F = D_{2\cdot6}, E = C_{12}$ ,  $|\operatorname{Ker} \tau| = 6$ , we only need to consider the morphisms  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3$  and not the fact that their distribution into classes is different for  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . We obtain the term b(N, G) in Byott's formula (Proposition 1), for  $N = \mathbb{Z}_p \times E$ ,  $G = \mathbb{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F$ , as the product of the number of regular subgroups of  $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$  isomorphic to F times the number of morphisms  $\tau' : F \to \mathbb{Z}_p^*$  such that  $\mathbb{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau'} F \simeq G$ . Applying Corollary 7 and the determination of  $S_0$  given in Section 5, we obtain the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type on a Galois field extension of degree 12p.

The number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type on a Galois extension with Galois group  $G = \mathbf{Z}_p \rtimes_{\tau} F$ is as given in the following tables. The first column gives the group F and the first row the kernel of the morphism  $\tau : F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$  defining the semidirect product. In each case, we assume that the value of p is such that a morphism  $\tau : F \to \mathbf{Z}_p^*$  exists with the given kernel.

$F \setminus \operatorname{Ker} \tau$	F	$C_6$	$D_{2\cdot 3}$	$C_4$	$C_{2}^{2}$	$C_3$	$C_2$	{1}
$C_{12}$	1	p	-	p	-	p	p	p
$C_6 \times C_2$	3	3p	-	-	3p	-	3p	-
$A_4$	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-
$D_{2 \cdot 6}$	9	9p	9p	-	-	-	-	-
$\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$	3	3p	-	-	-	3p	-	-

Hopf Galois structures of type  $C_{12p}$ 

$F \setminus \operatorname{Ker} \tau$	F	$C_6$	$D_{2\cdot 3}$	$C_4$	$C_{2}^{2}$	$C_3$	$C_2$	{1}
$C_{12}$	1	p	-	p	-	p	p	p
$C_6 \times C_2$	1	p	-	-	p	-	p	1

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Hopf Galois structures of type  $C_{6p} \times C_2$ 

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