# Inducing braces and Hopf Galois structures ${ }^{\text {N }}$ 

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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 $n p$ 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 $n p$ and the set of pairs $\left(B_{n},[\tau]\right)$, 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 $n p$ 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 $n p$ 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 $12 p$ and determine the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type on a Galois extension of degree $12 p$. © 2023 The Author(s). Published by Elsevier B.V. This is an open access article under the CC BY-NC-ND license (http:// creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-nd/4.0/).


## 1. Introduction

In [11] Rump introduced an algebraic structure called brace to study set-theoretic solutions of the YangBaxter 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,

$$
a(b+c)=a b-a+a c
$$

[^0]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 $f: B_{1} \rightarrow B_{2}$ is said to be a brace morphism if $f\left(b+b^{\prime}\right)=f(b)+f\left(b^{\prime}\right)$ and $f\left(b b^{\prime}\right)=f(b) f\left(b^{\prime}\right)$ for all $b, b^{\prime} \in B_{1}$. 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 $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ such that isomorphic left braces correspond to regular subgroups of $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ which are conjugate by elements of $\operatorname{Aut}(N)$.

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

$$
b(12 p)=\left\{\begin{array}{lll}
24 & \text { if } p \equiv 11 & (\bmod 12),  \tag{1}\\
28 & \text { if } p \equiv 5 & (\bmod 12), \\
34 & \text { if } p \equiv 7 & (\bmod 12), \\
40 & \text { if } p \equiv 1 & (\bmod 12)
\end{array}\right.
$$

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

$$
(a, b)+\left(a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right)=\left(a+a^{\prime}, b+b^{\prime}\right) \quad(a, b) \cdot\left(a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right)=\left(a a^{\prime}, b b^{\prime}\right)
$$

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 $\tau:\left(B_{2}, \cdot\right) \rightarrow \operatorname{Aut}\left(B_{1},+, \cdot\right)$ be a morphism of groups. Consider in $B_{1} \times B_{2}$ the additive structure of the direct product $\left(B_{1},+\right) \times\left(B_{2},+\right)$

$$
(a, b)+\left(a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right)=\left(a+a^{\prime}, b+b^{\prime}\right)
$$

and the multiplicative structure of the semidirect product $\left(B_{1}, \cdot\right) \rtimes_{\tau}\left(B_{2}, \cdot\right)$

$$
(a, b) \cdot\left(a^{\prime}, b^{\prime}\right)=\left(a \tau_{b}\left(a^{\prime}\right), b b^{\prime}\right)
$$

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 $\mu: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \operatorname{End}_{k}(K)$ giving $K$ a left $\mathcal{H}$-module algebra structure and inducing a bijection $K \otimes_{k} \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \operatorname{End}_{k}(K)$. 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 $\operatorname{Sym}(G)$ 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 corresponding group $N$ as the type of the Hopf Galois structure. By Byott translation theorem [4], a correspondence is established between regular subgroups $N$ of
$\operatorname{Sym}(G)$ normalized by $\lambda(G)$ and regular subgroups of the holomorph $\operatorname{Hol}(N)=N \rtimes$ 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 $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ 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 $8 p$, 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 $\tau:\left(B_{n}, \circ\right) \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$. We have used this result to determine all braces of size $8 p$. In this paper we generalize this result to braces of size $n p$, where $p$ is a prime number and $n$ an integer not divisible by $p$ and such that every group of order $n p$ 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 $n p$ may be explicitly obtained from a brace $\left(B_{n}, \cdot, \circ\right)$ of size $n$ and a group morphism $\tau:\left(B_{n}, \circ\right) \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$. Morover we obtain a one-to-one correspondence between isomorphism classes of braces of size $n p$ and pairs $\left(B_{n},[\tau]\right)$, 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 $n p$. For a prime number $p \geq 7$, we apply the obtained results to describe all left braces of size $12 p$ and determine the number of Hopf Galois structures of abelian type on a Galois extension of degree $12 p$. As a consequence of our classification of left braces of size $12 p$, 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 $n p$, where $p$ is a prime number and $n$ an integer, non divisible by $p$. He works under the hypotheses that all groups of order $n p$ 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 $n p$

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 $n p$ 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 $n p$ 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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \operatorname{Aut}\left(\mathbf{Z}_{p}\right)$ 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 $\operatorname{Aut}\left(\mathbf{Z}_{p}\right) \simeq \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$.

Then, for $\left(a_{1}, a_{2}\right),\left(b_{1}, b_{2}\right),\left(c_{1}, c_{2}\right) \in B$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(a_{1}, a_{2}\right)\left(\left(b_{1}, b_{2}\right)\right. & \left.+\left(c_{1}, c_{2}\right)\right)+\left(a_{1}, a_{2}\right)=\left(a_{1}, a_{2}\right)\left(b_{1}+c_{1}, b_{2}+c_{2}\right)+\left(a_{1}, a_{2}\right)= \\
& =\left(a_{1}+\tau_{a_{2}}\left(b_{1}+c_{1}\right)+a_{1}, a_{2}\left(b_{2}+c_{2}\right)+a_{2}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

On the other hand,

$$
\left(a_{1}, a_{2}\right)\left(b_{1}, b_{2}\right)+\left(a_{1}, a_{2}\right)\left(c_{1}, c_{2}\right)=\left(a_{1}+\tau_{a_{2}}\left(b_{1}\right)+a_{1}+\tau_{a_{2}}\left(c_{1}\right), a_{2} b_{2}+a_{2} c_{2}\right)
$$

Therefore, from the brace condition of $B$ we obtain an equality in the second component which tells us that we have a brace $B^{\prime}$ 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 $B^{\prime}$.

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 $n p$ which is the direct product of the unique brace of size $p$ and the given brace of size $n$. The braces of size $n p$ 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 $n p$.

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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \operatorname{Aut}\left(\mathbf{Z}_{p}\right)$ under the relation $\tau \simeq \tau^{\prime}$ 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 $\tau=\left.\tau^{\prime} \circ \Phi_{\nu}\right|_{F}$.

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

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

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

and the action on $N$ is given by $((m, k), f)(z, x)=(m+k z, f x)$. Since $G$ contains $\mathbf{Z}_{p}$, 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 $\operatorname{Hol}(N)=\left(\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}\right) \times(E \rtimes \operatorname{Aut}(E))$. 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,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Phi_{(i, \nu)}(m, k, a, \sigma) & =(0, i, 0, \nu)(m, k, a, \sigma)(0, i, 0, \nu)^{-1} \\
& =(i m, i k, \nu(a), \nu \sigma)\left(0, i^{-1}, 0, \nu^{-1}\right) \\
& =\left(i m, k, \nu(a), \nu \sigma \nu^{-1}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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

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

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

$$
\Phi_{(i, \nu)}(G)=\left\{\left(i m, \tau(a, \sigma), \nu(a), \nu \sigma \nu^{-1}\right) \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}_{p},(a, \sigma) \in F\right\} .
$$

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

$$
\Phi_{(i, \nu)}(G)=\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes_{\tau^{\prime}} F^{\prime} \Longleftrightarrow F^{\prime}=\Phi_{\nu}(F), \text { and } \tau=\left.\tau^{\prime} \circ \Phi_{\nu}\right|_{F} .
$$

Let us observe that in that case $\operatorname{ker} \tau^{\prime}=\Phi_{\nu}(\operatorname{ker} \tau)$.

## 3. Hopf Galois structures on a Galois field extension of degree $\boldsymbol{n p}$

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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ 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 $n p$. 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 $F_{i}:=\left(i, 1_{F}\right) F\left(-i, 1_{F}\right), 0 \leq i \leq p-1$. If $\varphi$ is an automorphism of $G$, then $\varphi\left(\mathbf{Z}_{p}\right)=\mathbf{Z}_{p}$ 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 $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$. Let $C_{i}$ denote conjugation by $(i, 1)$ in $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$. Then $\left\{C_{i}\right\}_{0 \leq i \leq p-1}$ is a transversal of $S$ in $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$, hence $|\operatorname{Aut}(G)|=p|S|$.

We give now a characterization of $S$ in terms of $\operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_{p}$, Aut $F$ and the morphism $\tau: F \rightarrow$ 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

$$
S \rightarrow \operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_{p} \times \operatorname{Aut} F, \quad \varphi \mapsto\left(\varphi_{\mid \mathbf{Z}_{p}}, \varphi_{\mid F}\right)
$$

is precisely the set of pairs $(f, g) \in \operatorname{Aut} \mathbf{Z}_{p} \times$ Aut $F$ such that $\tau g=\tau$.
Proof. Let $\varphi \in$ Aut $G$. For $x \in F, 1 \in \mathbf{Z}_{p}$, we have $x 1=\tau(x) x$. Applying $\varphi$ to this equality, we get $\varphi(x) \varphi(1)=\varphi(\tau(x)) \varphi(x)$. Now, since $\varphi(x) \in F$ and $\varphi(1) \in \mathbf{Z}_{p}$, 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 $\varphi_{\mid \mathbf{Z}_{p}} \tau(x)=\tau\left(\varphi_{\mid F}(x)\right) \varphi_{\mid \mathbf{Z}_{p}}$ in Aut $\mathbf{Z}_{p}$. Since Aut $\mathbf{Z}_{p}$ is commutative, we obtain $\tau=\tau \varphi_{\mid F}$.

Reciprocally, let $(f, g) \in$ Aut $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times$ 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 $(f(i+\tau(x) j), g(x y)))=(f(i), g(x))(f(j), g(y))=(f(i)+\tau(g(x)) f(j), g(x) g(y))$. 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.

Corollary 7. For $G=\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes_{\tau} F$, with $\tau$ a nontrivial morphism from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$, we have $\mid$ Aut $G|=p(p-1)| S_{0} \mid$, where $S_{0}=\{g \in$ Aut $F \mid \tau g=\tau\}$.

Proof. From the proposition we obtain clearly $S=$ Aut $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times S_{0}$, hence $\mid$ Aut $G|=p| S|=p(p-1)| S_{0} \mid$.

## 4. Braces of size $12 p$ : 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 Dic ${ }_{12}$. By computation with Magma, we obtain that the number of conjugacy classes of regular subgroups of $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ 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.

| $E \backslash F$ | $C_{12}$ | $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | $A_{4}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | $\mathrm{Dic}_{12}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $C_{12}$ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

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

Corollary 8. Let $p \geq 7$ be a prime. Every left brace of size $12 p$ 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 $12 p$ which are direct product of the unique brace of size $p$ and a brace of size 12 .

## 5. Braces of size $12 p$ : 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 $12 p$ 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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \operatorname{Aut}\left(\mathbf{Z}_{p}\right)$ under the relation described in Proposition 4. We note that finding all such morphisms $\tau$ reduces to consider the normal subgroups $F^{\prime}$ of $F$ such that $F / F^{\prime}$ 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 $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ in each case.

For $E=C_{12}=\mathbf{Z}_{12}$, we have $\operatorname{Aut}\left(\mathbf{Z}_{12}\right)=\mathbf{Z}_{12}^{*}=\{1,5,7,11\} \simeq C_{2} \times C_{2}$ and $\operatorname{Hol}\left(\mathbf{Z}_{12}\right)=\{(x, l): x \in$ $\left.\mathbf{Z}_{12}, l \in \mathbf{Z}_{12}^{*}\right\}$ with product given by $(x, l)(y, m)=(x+l y, l m)$.

For $E=C_{6} \times C_{2}$, we have $\operatorname{Aut}(E) \simeq D_{2.6}$. We write $C_{6} \times C_{2}=\langle a\rangle \times\langle b\rangle$ and consider the automorphisms $\rho, \sigma$ of $E$ defined by

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \rho: a \mapsto a^{5} b \quad \sigma: a \mapsto a^{5} \\
& b \mapsto a^{3} \quad b \mapsto a^{3} b .
\end{aligned}
$$

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 $\operatorname{Hol}(E)=$ $\{(x, \varphi): x \in E, \varphi \in$ 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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$. To be used in Section 6, we compute $S_{0}(\tau)=\{g \in$ Aut $F \mid \tau g=\tau\}$. We have Aut $C_{12} \simeq \mathbf{Z}_{12}^{*}=\{1,5,7,11\}$.

1) There is a unique morphism $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ 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 $p \equiv 1(\bmod 4), \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ 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 $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=\{1,5\}$.
3) When $p \equiv 1(\bmod 6), \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ 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 $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{3}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{4}\right)=\{1,7\}$.
4) When $p \equiv 1(\bmod 12), \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ 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

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\tau_{1}: x \mapsto \zeta_{12}, & \tau_{2}: x \mapsto \zeta_{12}^{5}, \\
\tau_{3}: x \mapsto \zeta_{12}^{-5}, & \tau_{4}: x \mapsto \zeta_{12}^{-1} .
\end{array}
$$

We have $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{3}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{4}\right)=\{1\}$.
Case $E=C_{12}$
If $E=C_{12}$, we may take $F=\langle(1,1)\rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E)$, i.e. we have now $x=(1,1)$. We determine the conjugation relations between the morphisms $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$.

1) We consider the two morphisms from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ with a kernel of order 3 . We observe that $\tau_{2}(-1,1)=$ $\tau_{2}\left((1,1)^{-1}\right)=\zeta_{4}$, 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 $p \geq 7$ 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 $p \equiv 11(\bmod 12)$ there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6 .
2) If $p \equiv 5(\bmod 12)$ there are 3 such braces. Two of them are as in 1) and the third one has a kernel of order 3.
3) If $p \equiv 7(\bmod 12)$ 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 $p \equiv 1(\bmod 12)$ 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 $F=\langle(a b, \varphi)\rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E)$, where $\varphi$ is the order 2 automorphism defined by $\varphi(a)=a, \varphi(b)=a^{3} b$, i.e. $\varphi=\rho^{3} \sigma$. We may check that $F$ is indeed a cyclic group of order 12 and a regular subgroup of $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$. We have now $x=(a b, \varphi)$. We determine the conjugation relations between the morphisms $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$.

1) For the two morphisms from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ with a kernel of order 3 , we observe that $(a b, \varphi)^{-1}=\left(\varphi\left(a^{-1} b\right), \varphi\right)=$ $\left(a^{2} b, \varphi\right)$, hence $\tau_{2}\left(a^{2} b, \varphi\right)=\zeta_{4}$. We have then $\tau_{1}=\tau_{2} \Phi_{\sigma}$, since $\Phi_{\sigma}\left(a b, \rho^{3} \sigma\right)=\sigma\left(a b, \rho^{3} \sigma\right) \sigma^{-1}=$ $\left(\sigma(a b), \sigma\left(\rho^{3} \sigma\right) \sigma\right)=\left(a^{2} b, \rho^{3} \sigma\right)$. 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 $(a b, \varphi)^{5}=\left(a^{5} b, \varphi\right),(a b, \varphi)^{-5}=$ $\left(a^{4} b, \varphi\right),(a b, \varphi)^{-1}=\left(a^{2} b, \varphi\right)$, 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 $p \geq 7$ 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 $p \equiv 11(\bmod 12)$ there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6 .
2) If $p \equiv 5(\bmod 12)$ there are 3 such braces. Two of them are as in 1) and the third one has a kernel of order 3.
3) If $p \equiv 7(\bmod 12)$ 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 $p \equiv 1(\bmod 12)$ 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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$. To be used in Section 6, we compute $S_{0}(\tau)=\{g \in$ Aut $F \mid \tau g=\tau\}$. 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

$$
\begin{array}{rllllllllll}
\tau_{1}: & x & \mapsto & 1 \\
& y & \mapsto & -1
\end{array}, \begin{array}{rlllll}
\tau_{2}: & x & \mapsto & -1 \\
& y & \mapsto & -1
\end{array}, \begin{gathered}
\tau_{3}:
\end{gathered}, \begin{array}{llll} 
& \mapsto & & -1 \\
y & \mapsto & 1
\end{array},
$$

with kernels $\langle x\rangle,\langle x y\rangle,\left\langle x^{2} y\right\rangle$, respectively. We have $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{3}, \sigma\right\rangle, S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{3}, \rho^{2} \sigma\right\rangle, S_{0}\left(\tau_{3}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{3}, \rho \sigma\right\rangle$.
2) In order to have a morphism $\tau$ with $\operatorname{Ker} \tau$ of order 2 or 4 , it is necessary that $p \equiv 1(\bmod 6)$. 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

$$
\begin{array}{rlll}
\tau_{1}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6} & \tau_{2}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{-1} \quad \text { with } \operatorname{Ker} \tau=<y> \\
& y \mapsto 1 & & y \mapsto 1, \\
\tau_{3}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{2} & \tau_{4}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{-2} \quad \text { with } \operatorname{Ker} \tau=<x^{3}> \\
& y \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{3} & & y \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{3}, \\
\tau_{5}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6} & \tau_{6}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{-1} \quad \text { with } \operatorname{Ker} \tau=<x^{3} y> \\
& y \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{3} & & y \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{3} .
\end{array}
$$

We have $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=\langle\rho \sigma\rangle, S_{0}\left(\tau_{3}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{4}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{3} \sigma\right\rangle, S_{0}\left(\tau_{5}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{6}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{5} \sigma\right\rangle$. We may further define two morphisms from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ with a kernel of order 4, namely

$$
\begin{array}{rlll}
\tau_{1}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{2} & \tau_{2}: & x \mapsto \zeta_{6}^{-2} \\
& y \mapsto 1 & & y \mapsto 1 .
\end{array}
$$

We have $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{2}, \rho \sigma\right\rangle$.
Case $E=C_{12}$
We know that in $\operatorname{Hol}\left(C_{12}\right)$ 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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$.

1) For the morphisms from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ 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 $p \geq 7$ be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times C_{12}$ and multiplicative group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes\left(C_{6} \times C_{2}\right)$.

1) If $p \equiv 11(\bmod 12)$ there are 3 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other two have a kernel of order 6 .
2) If $p \equiv 7(\bmod 12)$ 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 $p \equiv 5(\bmod 12)$ there are 3 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other two have a kernel of order 6 .
4) If $p \equiv 1(\bmod 12)$ 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 $F=\langle(a, \mathrm{Id}),(b, \mathrm{Id})\rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E)$, following the notation of Remark 10 . We may check that $F$ is indeed a regular subgroup of order 12 of $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ 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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$.

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 $p \geq 7$ be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times\left(C_{6} \times C_{2}\right)$ and multiplicative group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes\left(C_{6} \times C_{2}\right)$.

1) If $p \equiv 11(\bmod 12)$ there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6 .
2) If $p \equiv 7(\bmod 12)$ 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 $p \equiv 5(\bmod 12)$ there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the second one has a kernel of order 6 .
4) If $p \equiv 1(\bmod 12)$ 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 $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$. We have $A_{4}=V_{4} \rtimes C_{3}$ and we may take $F=\left\langle a^{3}, b,\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right)\right\rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E)$, since $a^{3}, b$ are order 2 elements commuting between them and ( $a^{4}, \rho^{2}$ ) has order 3 and satisfies $\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right) a^{3}\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right)^{-1}=b,\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right) b\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right)^{-1}=a^{3} b$. We may further check that $F$ is a regular subgroup of $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$. 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 $p \not \equiv 1(\bmod 3)$, 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 $p \equiv 1(\bmod 3)$, 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 $\left\langle a^{3}, b\right\rangle$, namely

$$
\tau_{1}:\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right) \mapsto \zeta_{3}, \quad \tau_{2}:\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right) \mapsto \zeta_{3}^{-1} .
$$

We note that $\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right)^{-1}=\left(a^{2}, \rho^{4}\right)=\sigma\left(a^{4}, \rho^{2}\right) \sigma$, hence $\tau_{1}=\tau_{2} \Phi_{\sigma}$ and we obtain one brace.
We state the obtained result in the following proposition.
Proposition 15. Let $p \geq 7$ 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 $p \not \equiv 1(\bmod 3)$ there is just one such brace, which is a direct product.
2) If $p \equiv 1(\bmod 3)$ 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 $S_{0}(\tau)=\{g \in$ Aut $F \mid \tau g=\tau\}$ for the two nontrivial morphisms from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$. We have 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 $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=A_{4}$.
5.4. $F=D_{2.6}$

Let us write $F=\langle r, s| r^{6}=\mathrm{Id}, s^{2}=\mathrm{Id}$, srs $\left.=r^{5}\right\rangle$. We describe the morphisms $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$. To be used in Section 6, we compute $S_{0}(\tau)=\{g \in$ Aut $F \mid \tau g=\tau\}$. We have Aut $D_{2 \cdot 6}=\langle\rho, \sigma\rangle \simeq D_{2 \cdot 6}$, where $\rho$ and $\sigma$ are defined as follows.

$$
\begin{array}{rllllll}
\rho: \quad r & \mapsto r \\
s & \mapsto r s
\end{array}, \quad \sigma: \quad r \quad \mapsto r r^{5}
$$

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

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \tau_{1}: r \mapsto 1 \quad \tau_{2}: r \mapsto-1 \quad \tau_{3}: r \mapsto-1 \\
& s \mapsto-1, \quad s \mapsto-1, \quad s \mapsto 1 \text {, }
\end{aligned}
$$

with kernels $\langle r\rangle,\left\langle r^{2}, r s\right\rangle$ and $\left\langle r^{2}, s\right\rangle$, respectively. We observe that $\operatorname{Ker} \tau_{1}$ is cyclic, while $\operatorname{Ker} \tau_{2}$ and $\operatorname{Ker} \tau_{3}$ are isomorphic to the dihedral group $D_{2.3}$. We have $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=\operatorname{Aut} F, S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{3}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{2}, \sigma\right\rangle$.

Case $E=C_{12}$

There are two regular subgroups of $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ isomorphic to $D_{2 \cdot 6}$, up to conjugacy by Aut $E$,

$$
F_{1}=\left\langle\alpha_{1}=(2,1), \beta_{1}=(1,11)\right\rangle, \quad F_{2}=\left\langle\alpha_{2}=(1,7), \beta_{2}=(3,11)\right\rangle
$$

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 $\operatorname{Ker}\left(\tau_{1}\right)$ 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 $\tau_{2}^{(i)}, \tau_{3}^{(i)}: F_{i} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}, i=1,2$. Since $\Phi_{7}\left(\alpha_{1}\right)=\alpha_{1}$ and $\Phi_{7}\left(\beta_{1}\right)=\alpha_{1}^{3} \beta_{1}$, we obtain $\tau_{2}^{(1)}=\tau_{3}^{(1)} \Phi_{7}$. For $\tau_{2}^{(2)}$ and $\tau_{3}^{(2)}$ to be conjugate, we would need $\Phi_{\nu}\left(\beta_{2}\right)=\alpha_{2}^{k} \beta_{2}$, 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 $p \geq 7$ 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 $F=\left\langle(a, \mathrm{Id}),\left(b, \rho^{3}\right)\right\rangle \subset \operatorname{Hol}(E)$, which is regular. Indeed, one may check that $(a, \mathrm{Id})$ is of order $6,\left(b, \rho^{3}\right)$ is of order $2,(a, \mathrm{Id})\left(b, \rho^{3}\right)(a, \mathrm{Id})=\left(b, \rho^{3}\right)$ and $F$ has trivial stabilizer. We have now $r=(a, \mathrm{Id}), s=\left(b, \rho^{3}\right)$.

We consider the morphisms from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ with kernel of order 6 . Again, since $\operatorname{Ker}\left(\tau_{1}\right) \cong C_{6}$ and $\operatorname{Ker}\left(\tau_{i}\right) \cong$ $D_{2 \cdot 3}, i \in\{2,3\}, \tau_{1}$ 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 $p \geq 7$ be a prime number. Then there are 3 left braces with additive group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times\left(C_{6} \times C_{2}\right)$ 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. $F=\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$

The dicyclic group $\mathrm{Dic}_{12}$ is a group with 12 elements that can be presented as

$$
\operatorname{Dic}_{12}=\left\langle x, y \mid x^{3}=1, y^{4}=1, y x y^{-1}=x^{2}\right\rangle
$$

We determine now the possible morphisms $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$. To be used in Section 6 , we compute $S_{0}(\tau)=$ $\{g \in$ Aut $F \mid \tau g=\tau\}$. We have Aut $\operatorname{Dic}_{12}=\langle\rho, \sigma\rangle \simeq D_{2 \cdot 6}$, where $\rho$ and $\sigma$ are defined as follows.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \rho: x \mapsto x \quad \sigma: x \mapsto x^{-1} \\
& y \mapsto x y^{-1}, \quad y \mapsto y
\end{aligned}
$$

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 $S_{0}(\tau)=$ Aut $F$.
2) If $p \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$, 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 $\langle x\rangle$ :

$$
\begin{array}{rlll}
\tau_{1}: & x \mapsto 1 & \tau_{2}: & x \mapsto 1 \\
& y \mapsto \zeta_{4} & & y \mapsto \zeta_{4}^{-1} .
\end{array}
$$

We have $S_{0}\left(\tau_{1}\right)=S_{0}\left(\tau_{2}\right)=\left\langle\rho^{2}, \sigma\right\rangle$.
Case $E=C_{12}$
We know that in $\operatorname{Hol}\left(C_{12}\right)$ 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 $y x y^{-1}=x^{2}$. We may check that $F$ is a regular subgroup of $\operatorname{Hol}\left(C_{12}\right)$.

We determine now the conjugation relations between the morphisms $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$.
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 $p \geq 7$ be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times C_{12}$ and multiplicative group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes \operatorname{Dic}_{12}$.

1) If $p \not \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other one has a kernel of order 6 .
2) If $p \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ 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 $\mathrm{Dic}_{12}$.
We may take

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

following the notation in Remark 10. The element $x$ has order 3, the element $y$ has order 4 and they satisfy the relation $y x y^{-1}=x^{2}$. We may check that $F$ is a regular subgroup of $\operatorname{Hol}\left(C_{6} \times C_{2}\right)$.

We determine now the conjugation relations between the morphisms $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$.
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 $p \geq 7$ be a prime number. We count the left braces with additive group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times\left(C_{6} \times C_{2}\right)$ and multiplicative group $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes \mathrm{Dic}_{12}$.

1) If $p \not \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ there are 2 such braces. One of them is a direct product and the other one has a kernel of order 6 .
2) If $p \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$ 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 $p \geq 7$ we compile in the following tables the total number of left braces of size $12 p$.
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 $p \equiv 11(\bmod 12)$

|  | $C_{12}$ | $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | $A_{4}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | $\mathrm{Dic}_{12}$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $C_{12}$ | 2 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 2 |  |
| $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 |  |
|  | 4 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 4 | $\mathbf{2 4}$ |

- If $p \equiv 5(\bmod 12)$

|  | $C_{12}$ | $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | $A_{4}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | Dic $_{12}$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $C_{12}$ | 3 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 3 |  |
| $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 |  |
|  | 6 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 6 | $\mathbf{2 8}$ |

- If $p \equiv 7(\bmod 12)$

|  | $C_{12}$ | $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | $A_{4}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | $\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $C_{12}$ | 4 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 2 |  |
| $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 |  |
|  | 8 | 10 | 2 | 10 | 4 | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |

- If $p \equiv 1(\bmod 12)$

|  | $C_{12}$ | $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | $A_{4}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | $\mathrm{Dic}_{12}$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $C_{12}$ | 6 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 3 |  |
| $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 |  |
|  | 12 | 10 | 2 | 10 | 6 | $\mathbf{4 0}$ |

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 $12 p$

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

| $E \backslash F$ | $C_{12}$ | $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | $A_{4}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | 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 $F=D_{2.6}, E=C_{12}$, we obtain that $F_{1}$ is normal in $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ while the length of the conjugation class of $F_{2}$ in $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ is 2 and $F_{2}^{\prime}=\langle(7,7),(9,11)\rangle$ is the second subgroup in this class.

For $E=C_{12}$ or $C_{6} \times C_{2}, F$ a regular subgroup of $\operatorname{Hol}(E), N=\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times E$ and $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ 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 $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes_{\tau} F \simeq G$. Then, we only need to consider the number of morphisms $\tau$ from $F$ to $\mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ such that $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes_{\tau} F \simeq G$, without taking into account their distribution into classes. For example, in the case $F=D_{2 \cdot 6}, E=C_{12},|\operatorname{Ker} \tau|=6$, 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 $N=\mathbf{Z}_{p} \times E, G=\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes_{\tau} F$, as the product of the number of regular subgroups of $\operatorname{Hol}(E)$ isomorphic to $F$ times the number of morphisms $\tau^{\prime}: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ such that $\mathbf{Z}_{p} \rtimes_{\tau^{\prime}} F \simeq G$. 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 $12 p$.

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 $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ defining the semidirect product. In each case, we assume that the value of $p$ is such that a morphism $\tau: F \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}^{*}$ exists with the given kernel.

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

| $F \backslash \operatorname{Ker} \tau$ | $F$ | $C_{6}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 3}$ | $C_{4}$ | $C_{2}^{2}$ | $C_{3}$ | $C_{2}$ | $\{1\}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $C_{12}$ | 1 | $p$ | - | $p$ | - | $p$ | $p$ | $p$ |
| $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | 3 | $3 p$ | - | - | $3 p$ | - | $3 p$ | - |
| $A_{4}$ | 0 | - | - | - | 0 | - | - | - |
| $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | 9 | $9 p$ | $9 p$ | - | - | - | - | - |
| $\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$ | 3 | $3 p$ | - | - | - | $3 p$ | - | - |

Hopf Galois structures of type $C_{6 p} \times C_{2}$

| $F \backslash \operatorname{Ker} \tau$ | $F$ | $C_{6}$ | $D_{2 \cdot 3}$ | $C_{4}$ | $C_{2}^{2}$ | $C_{3}$ | $C_{2}$ | $\{1\}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $C_{12}$ | 1 | $p$ | - | $p$ | - | $p$ | $p$ | $p$ |
| $C_{6} \times C_{2}$ | 1 | $p$ | - | - | $p$ | - | $p$ | - |
| $A_{4}$ | 4 | - | - | - | $4 p$ | - | - | - |
| $D_{2 \cdot 6}$ | 3 | $3 p$ | $3 p$ | - | - | - | - | - |
| $\operatorname{Dic}_{12}$ | 3 | $3 p$ | - | - | - | $3 p$ | - | - |

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