

# PROPAGATION OF ARTIN TRANSFER PATTERNS BETWEEN ISOCLINIC 2-GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. For isoclinism families  $\Phi$  of finite non-abelian 2-groups, it is investigated by which general laws the abelian type invariants and the transfer kernels of the stem  $\Phi(0)$  are connected with those of the branches  $\Phi(n)$  with  $n \geq 1$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

As opposed to groups with odd prime power orders, finite 2-groups  $G$  with abelianizations  $G/G'$  of the types  $(2, 2)$ ,  $(4, 2)$  and  $(2, 2, 2)$  possess sufficiently simple presentations to admit an easy calculation of invariants like central series, two-step centralizers, maximal subgroups, Artin transfers, and Artin patterns. Isoclinism between stem groups of type  $(2, 2)$  and branch groups of the types  $(4, 2)$  and  $(2, 2, 2)$  ensures isomorphic central quotients and isomorphic lower central series of the former and latter [12], and is useful for comparing Artin patterns [19, Dfn. 4.3, p. 27].

## 2. ISOCLINISM OF GROUPS

For classifying finite  $p$ -groups, Hall introduced the concept of *isoclinism* [12] which admits to collect non-isomorphic groups with certain similarities in *isoclinism families*. Hall's idea was based on the following connection between commutators and central quotients (inner automorphisms).

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be a group, then the commutator mapping  $[\cdot, \cdot] : G \times G \rightarrow G'$ ,  $(g, h) \mapsto [g, h]$ , factorizes through the central quotient by inducing a well-defined map*

$$(2.1) \quad c_G : (G/\zeta G) \times (G/\zeta G) \rightarrow G', \quad (g \cdot \zeta G, h \cdot \zeta G) \mapsto [g, h].$$

*Proof.* Let  $\omega : G \rightarrow G/\zeta G$  be the natural projection onto the central quotient. The claim  $[\cdot, \cdot] = c_G \circ (\omega \times \omega)$  follows immediately when we show that the map  $c_G$  is independent of the coset representatives, that is,  $[gz, hw] = [g, h]$  for any  $g, h \in G$  and  $z, w \in \zeta G$ . According to the right product rule for commutators, we have

$$[gz, h \cdot w] = [gz, w] \cdot [gz, h]^w = w^{-1}[gz, h]w = [gz, h],$$

since  $w \in \zeta G$  and  $\text{cnj}(w) = \text{id}$ . According to the left product rule for commutators, we obtain

$$[g \cdot z, h] = [g, h]^z \cdot [z, h] = z^{-1}[g, h]z = [g, h],$$

since  $z \in \zeta G$  and  $\text{cnj}(z) = \text{id}$ . □

**Definition 2.1.** Two groups  $G$  and  $H$  are *isoclinic*, if there exists

- an isomorphism  $\psi_1 : G/\zeta G \rightarrow H/\zeta H$  of the central quotients
- and an isomorphism  $\psi_2 : G' \rightarrow H'$  of the commutator subgroups
- such that  $\psi_2 \circ c_G = c_H \circ (\psi_1 \times \psi_1)$ , i.e. the diagram in Table 1 commutes.

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The pair  $\Psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2)$  is called an *isoclinism* from  $G$  to  $H$ .

TABLE 1. Isoclinism  $\Psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2)$  from  $G$  to  $H$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \psi_1 \times \psi_1 & & \\
 & (G/\zeta G) \times (G/\zeta G) & \longrightarrow & (H/\zeta H) \times (H/\zeta H) & \\
 c_G & \downarrow & \text{//} & \downarrow & c_H \\
 & G' & \longrightarrow & H' & \\
 & & \psi_2 & & 
 \end{array}$$

Isoclinism is an equivalence relation. The equivalence classes are called *isoclinism families*. They are coarser than isomorphism classes, because isomorphic groups are also isoclinic (see [16, Lem. 2.1, p. 852]). An important example of isoclinic but non-isomorphic groups will be given in Theorem 2.1. First, however, we have to recall some properties of direct products.

**2.1. Direct products.** Let  $G, H$  be groups with centres  $\zeta G, \zeta H$  and commutator subgroups  $G', H'$ . The *direct product*  $G \times H = \{(g, h) \mid g \in G, h \in H\}$  of  $G$  and  $H$  is endowed with

$$(G \times H) \times (G \times H) \rightarrow G \times H, ((g_1, h_1), (g_2, h_2)) \mapsto (g_1 g_2, h_1 h_2).$$

as group operation. The neutral element is  $1_{G \times H} = (1_G, 1_H)$  and the inverse of  $(g, h)$  is  $(g^{-1}, h^{-1})$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *The centre of the direct product  $G \times H$  is  $\zeta G \times \zeta H$ .*

*Proof.* If  $(z, w) \in \zeta G \times \zeta H$ , then  $zg = gz$  for all  $g \in G$  and  $wh = hw$  for all  $h \in H$ . Consequently,  $(z, w)(g, h) = (zg, wh) = (gz, hw) = (g, h)(z, w)$  for all  $(g, h) \in G \times H$ , and thus  $(z, w) \in \zeta(G \times H)$ . This proves the inclusion  $\zeta G \times \zeta H \leq \zeta(G \times H)$ . The opposite inclusion follows from reading the proof in the opposite direction.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3.** *The commutator subgroup of the direct product  $G \times H$  is  $G' \times H'$ .*

*Proof.* An element of  $(G \times H)'$  is a finite product of commutators

$$\prod_i [(g_i, h_i), (\tilde{g}_i, \tilde{h}_i)] = \prod_i ([g_i, \tilde{g}_i], [h_i, \tilde{h}_i]) = \left( \prod_i [g_i, \tilde{g}_i], \prod_i [h_i, \tilde{h}_i] \right) \in G' \times H'.$$

Conversely, if  $(c, d) \in G' \times H'$ , then  $c = \prod_{j \in J} [g_j, \tilde{g}_j]$  and  $d = \prod_{k \in K} [h_k, \tilde{h}_k]$  are finite products of commutators. Assuming  $\#J \leq \#K$  and multiplying  $c$  with  $\#K - \#J$  trivial commutators  $[1, 1] = 1$ , we obtain

$$(c, d) = \left( \prod_{k \in K} [g_k, \tilde{g}_k], \prod_{k \in K} [h_k, \tilde{h}_k] \right) = \prod_{k \in K} [(g_k, \tilde{g}_k), (h_k, \tilde{h}_k)] \in (G \times H)'. \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $G$  is a group and  $A$  is an abelian group, then the direct product  $G \times A$  is isoclinic to  $G$ . (However, if  $G$  and  $A$  are finite and non-trivial, then  $G \times A$  cannot be isomorphic to  $G$ .)*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is abelian, we have  $\zeta A = A$  and  $A' = 1$ . According to Lemma 2.2,  $\zeta(G \times A) = \zeta G \times \zeta A = \zeta G \times A$ , and according to Lemma 2.3,  $(G \times A)' = G' \times A' = G' \times 1 \simeq G'$ .

First of all, we prove the existence of an isomorphism  $\psi_1 : (G \times A)/\zeta(G \times A) \rightarrow G/\zeta G$ . It is induced by the (epimorphic) projection onto the first component,  $\pi : G \times A \rightarrow G$ ,  $(g, a) \mapsto g$ , according to [20, Thm. 7.1, p. 98], since  $\zeta(G \times A) = \zeta G \times A = \pi^{-1}(\zeta G)$ . Explicitly, we have  $\psi_1((g, a) \cdot \zeta(G \times A)) = g \cdot \zeta G$  for  $(g, a) \in G \times A$ .

The second isomorphism  $\psi_2 : (G \times A)' \rightarrow G'$  is obvious:  $\psi_2(g, 1) = g$  for  $(g, 1) \in G' \times 1$ .

Finally, we show that  $\psi_2 \circ c_{G \times A} = c_G \circ (\psi_1 \times \psi_1)$ . Let  $(g, a), (h, b) \in G \times A$ , then

$$c_G((\psi_1 \times \psi_1)((g, a) \cdot \zeta(G \times A), (h, b) \cdot \zeta(G \times A))) = c_G(g \cdot \zeta G, h \cdot \zeta G) = [g, h]$$

and, since  $[a, b] = 1$ ,

$$\psi_2(c_{G \times A}((g, a) \cdot \zeta(G \times A), (h, b) \cdot \zeta(G \times A))) = \psi_2([(g, a), (h, b)]) = \psi_2([g, h], [a, b]) = [g, h]. \quad \square$$

## 3. 2-GROUPS OF COCLASS 1

The simplest non-abelian 2-groups  $G$  are those of maximal nilpotency class, that is of coclass  $\text{cc}(G) = 1$ . Since their centre  $\zeta(G) = \langle s_c \rangle$  is cyclic of order 2 and is contained in the commutator subgroup  $G' = \langle s_2, \dots, s_c \rangle$ , they are *stem groups*  $G \in \Phi(0)$  of isoclinism families  $\Phi$ . A parametrized polycyclic power-commutator presentation, with two bounded parameters  $\alpha, \beta \in \{0, 1\}$  and the nilpotency class  $c := \text{cl}(G) \in \mathbb{N}$  as unbounded parameter, is given for all these groups by

$$(3.1) \quad G_c(\alpha, \beta) = \langle x, y, s_2, \dots, s_c \mid s_2 = [y, x], s_i = [s_{i-1}, x] = [s_{i-1}, y] \text{ for } 3 \leq i \leq c, \\ x^2 = s_c^\alpha, y^2 = s_c^\beta, s_i^2 = s_{i+1}s_{i+2} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq c-2, s_{c-1}^2 = s_c \rangle$$

These 2-groups form the vertices of the coclass tree  $\mathcal{T}^1(R)$  with abelian root  $R = \langle 4, 2 \rangle \simeq C_2 \times C_2$ , which is visualized in [18, Fig. 3.1, p. 419]. They can be classified into three infinite periodic sequences, the capable vertices of the *dihedral* mainline with parameters  $(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$ , the terminal *semidihedral* groups with  $(\alpha, \beta) = (1, 0)$ , and the terminal *quaternion* groups with  $(\alpha, \beta) = (1, 1)$ . In dependence on the logarithmic order  $n := \text{cl}(G) + \text{cc}(G) = c + 1$ , i.e.  $\#(G) = 2^n$ , their identifiers  $\langle 2^n, i \rangle$  in the SmallGroups database [1, 2] are given by Table 2.

TABLE 2. SmallGroup Identifiers of 2-groups  $G$  with  $G/G' \simeq (2, 2)$ 

Sequence	$n =$	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
dihedral	$i =$	3	7	18	52	161	539	2042
semidihedral			8	19	53	162	540	2043
quaternion		4	9	20	54	163	541	2044

Since our parametrized presentation in Formula (3.1), which is also used by the computational algebra system MAGMA [17], is slightly different from Blackburn's parametrized presentation [3], which is also given in [18, § 3.1.2, pp. 412–413], we show that exactly two of the elements  $x, y, xy$  produce the sequence  $(s_i)_{i \geq 3}$  of polycyclic generators, whereas the remaining one commutes with all  $s_i$ ,  $i \geq 2$ , and gives rise to the *polarization* by the two-step centralizers  $\chi_j(G)$ ,  $2 \leq j \leq c-1$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $G$  be a finite 2-group with two main generators,  $G = \langle x, y \rangle$ , and nilpotency class  $c := \text{cl}(G)$ . Assume that generators of a polycyclic series of subgroups are defined by  $s_2 = [y, x]$  and  $s_i = [s_{i-1}, x]$  for  $3 \leq i \leq c$  such that  $s_i^2 = s_{i+1}s_{i+2}$  for  $2 \leq i \leq c-2$  and  $s_{c-1}^2 = s_c$ .*

- (1) *If  $[s_i, y] = 1$  for  $2 \leq i \leq c$ , then  $[s_{i-1}, xy] = s_i$  for  $3 \leq i \leq c$ .*
- (2) *If  $[s_{i-1}, y] = s_i$  for  $3 \leq i \leq c$ , then  $[s_i, xy] = 1$  for  $2 \leq i \leq c$ .*

*For a group  $G$  having the presentation in Formula (3.1), the centre is  $\zeta(G) = \langle s_c \rangle$  and all two-step centralizers  $\chi_j G = \langle xy, G' \rangle$  coincide for  $2 \leq j \leq c-1$ , whereas  $\chi_c G = G$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $x, y$  are the main generators of the metabelian group  $G$ , the centre is given by  $\zeta(G) = \{z \in G \mid [z, x] = [z, y] = 1\}$ . The  $j$ th two-step centralizer is defined by  $\chi_j(G) = \{c \in G \mid [c, s] \in \gamma_{j+2}(G) \text{ for } s \in \gamma_j(G)\}$ , where  $j \geq 2$  and  $(\gamma_i(G))_{i \geq 1}$  denotes the lower central series of  $G$ . According to the right product rule for commutators, we have

- (1)  $[s_{i-1}, xy] = [s_{i-1}, y] \cdot [s_{i-1}, x]^y = 1 \cdot s_i^y = s_i \cdot s_i^{-1+y} = s_i \cdot [s_i, y] = s_i$ ,
- (2)  $[s_{i-1}, xy] = [s_{i-1}, y] \cdot [s_{i-1}, x]^y = s_i \cdot s_i^y = s_i^2 \cdot s_i^{-1+y} = s_i^2 s_{i+1} = s_{i+1}^2 s_{i+2} = \dots = s_c^2 = 1$ .

Aside from the neutral element 1, the generator  $s_c$  of the last non-trivial lower central  $\gamma_c(G)$  is the unique element which satisfies  $[s_c, x] = [s_c, y] = s_{c+1} = 1$ . According to Kaloujnine, we have  $[\gamma_2(G), \gamma_j(G)] \leq \gamma_{j+2}(G)$ , and thus  $G' = \gamma_2(G) \leq \chi_j(G)$ . If  $2 \leq j \leq c-1$ , then  $[s_j, xy] = 1 \in \gamma_{j+2}(G)$ , whereas  $[s_j, x] = [s_j, y] = s_{j+1} \in \gamma_{j+1}(G) \setminus \gamma_{j+2}(G)$ . Therefore,  $\chi_j G = \langle xy, G' \rangle$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.1.** *The invariants of 2-groups  $G$  of maximal class with parametrized presentation in Formula (3.1) are given by Table 3 in dependence on the parameters  $(\alpha, \beta)$ . The centre  $\zeta(G)$  is denoted by  $\zeta_1$ , the commutator subgroup  $G'$  by  $\gamma_2$ , the Artin pattern by  $(\tau, \varkappa)$ , the number of abelian maximal subgroups by  $n_a$ , the relation rank by  $\mu$ , the nuclear rank by  $\nu$ , the number of all immediate descendants (children) by  $N_1$ , and the number of capable children by  $C_1$ . They reveal a uniform regular behaviour for class  $c \geq 3$ , whereas exceptions arise for the irregular class  $c = 2$ .*

TABLE 3. Invariants of 2-groups  $G$  with  $G/G' \simeq (2, 2)$ 

Class	$\zeta_1$	$\gamma_2$	$\tau$	$\varkappa$	$n_a$	$\mu$	$\nu$	$N_1$	$C_1$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	Sequence	Symbol
$c = 2$	1	1	$(1^2)^2, \mathbf{2}$	<b>210</b>	3	3	1	3	1	0	0	dihedral	$D(8)$
	1	1	$(2)^2, \mathbf{2}$	<b>123</b>	3	2	0	0	0	1	1	quaternion	$Q(8)$
$c \geq 3$	1	$c - 1$	$(1^2)^2, \mathbf{c}$	<b>210</b>	1	3	1	3	1	0	0	dihedral	$D(2^{c+1})$
	1	$c - 1$	$(1^2)^2, \mathbf{c}$	<b>211</b>	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	semidihedral	$S(2^{c+1})$
	1	$c - 1$	$(1^2)^2, \mathbf{c}$	<b>213</b>	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	quaternion	$Q(2^{c+1})$

*Proof.* By Formula (3.1), the maximal subgroups  $M_i$  of  $G$  and their derived subgroups  $M'_i$  are

$$\begin{aligned} M_1 &= \langle y, G' \rangle, & M'_1 &= (G')^{y-1} = \langle [s_2, y] \rangle = \langle s_3 \rangle, \\ M_2 &= \langle x, G' \rangle, & M'_2 &= (G')^{x-1} = \langle [s_2, x] \rangle = \langle s_3 \rangle, & \text{and, by Lemma 3.1,} \\ M_3 &= \langle xy, G' \rangle, & M'_3 &= (G')^{xy-1} = \langle [s_2, xy] \rangle = 1. & \text{In particular, } M_3 \text{ is abelian.} \end{aligned}$$

The Artin transfers from  $G$  to the  $M_i$  are given by  $T_i : G/G' \rightarrow M_i/M'_i$  with outer transfers  $T_i(gG') = g^2 M'_i$  for  $g \in G \setminus M_i$  and inner transfers  $T_i(gG') = g^{1+h} M'_i$  for  $g \in M_i$  and  $h \in G \setminus M_i$ . Explicitly, the images of the generators  $x, y$  under the homomorphisms  $T_i$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(xG') &= x^2 \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\alpha \langle s_3 \rangle, & T_1(yG') &= y^{1+x} \langle s_3 \rangle = y^2 \cdot y^{-1} x^{-1} y x \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\beta s_2 \langle s_3 \rangle, \\ T_2(xG') &= x^{1+y} \langle s_3 \rangle = x^2 \cdot x^{-1} y^{-1} x y \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\alpha s_2^{-1} \langle s_3 \rangle, & T_2(yG') &= y^2 \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\beta \langle s_3 \rangle, \text{ and} \\ T_3(xG') &= x^2 \cdot 1 = s_c^\alpha, & T_3(yG') &= y^2 \cdot 1 = s_c^\beta. \end{aligned}$$

Now we use the transfer images for determining the transfer kernel type by solving  $T_i(gG') = M'_i$ . Independently of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , we obtain a 2-cycle (transposition) in the TKT  $\varkappa$  for  $c \geq 3$ :

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(xG') &= \langle s_3 \rangle, & T_1(yG') &= s_2 \langle s_3 \rangle, & \varkappa(1) &\hat{=} \ker(T_1) = M_2/G' \hat{=} 2, \\ T_2(xG') &= s_2^{-1} \langle s_3 \rangle, & T_2(yG') &= \langle s_3 \rangle, & \varkappa(2) &\hat{=} \ker(T_2) = M_1/G' \hat{=} 1. \end{aligned}$$

The smallest value  $c = 2$ , however, is responsible for the irregularity  $\langle s_3 \rangle = 1$  and consequently

$$T_1(xG') = s_c^\alpha, \quad T_1(yG') = s_2^{\beta+1}, \quad T_2(xG') = s_2^{\alpha-1}, \quad T_2(yG') = s_2^\beta,$$

which implies  $\varkappa(1) \hat{=} \ker(T_1) = M_2/G' \hat{=} 2$ ,  $\varkappa(2) \hat{=} \ker(T_2) = M_1/G' \hat{=} 1$ , for  $(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$ , but  $\varkappa(1) \hat{=} \ker(T_1) = M_1/G' \hat{=} 1$ ,  $\varkappa(2) \hat{=} \ker(T_2) = M_2/G' \hat{=} 2$ , two f.p. for  $(\alpha, \beta) = (1, 1)$ .

Finally, we have to find the kernel of the transfer to the abelian subgroup  $M_3$ , for any  $c \geq 2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \varkappa(3) &\hat{=} \ker(T_3) = G/G' \hat{=} 0, & \text{characteristic for the dihedral mainline with } (\alpha, \beta) &= (0, 0), \\ \varkappa(3) &\hat{=} \ker(T_3) = M_1/G' \hat{=} 1, & \text{for semidihedral vertices with } (\alpha, \beta) &= (1, 0), \text{ and} \\ \varkappa(3) &\hat{=} \ker(T_3) = M_3/G' \hat{=} 3, & \text{a fixed point for quaternion groups with } (\alpha, \beta) &= (1, 1), \end{aligned}$$

because  $T_3(xy) = T_3(x) \cdot T_3(y) = s_c \cdot s_c = s_c^2 = 1$ .  $\square$

#### 4. 2-GROUPS OF COCLASS 2 WITH ABELIANIZATION (4, 2)

These groups  $G$  in the first branch  $\Phi(1)$  of isoclinism families  $\Phi$  containing groups of maximal class in their stem  $\Phi(0)$  are characterized by an *exponent increment* of their abelianization. Their centre  $\zeta_1 G = \langle \tau, s_c \rangle$  is enlarged by the power  $\tau = x^2$  of the non-elementary generator  $x$ . A parametrized polycyclic power-commutator presentation, with two bounded parameters  $\alpha, \beta \in \{0, 1\}$  and the nilpotency class  $c := \text{cl}(G) \in \mathbb{N}$  as unbounded parameter, is given by

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} G_c(\alpha, \beta) &= \langle x, y, \tau, s_2, \dots, s_c \mid s_2 = [y, x], s_i = [s_{i-1}, x] \text{ for } 3 \leq i \leq c, \\ &\tau = x^2, \tau^2 = s_c^\alpha, y^2 = s_2 s_3 s_c^\beta, s_i^2 = s_{i+1} s_{i+2} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq c-2, s_{c-1}^2 = s_c \rangle \end{aligned}$$

#### 5. 2-GROUPS OF COCLASS 2 WITH ABELIANIZATION (2, 2, 2)

These groups  $G$  in the first branch  $\Phi(1)$  of isoclinism families  $\Phi$  containing groups of maximal class in their stem  $\Phi(0)$  are characterized by a *rank increment* of their abelianization. Their centre  $\zeta_1 G = \langle z, s_c \rangle$  is enlarged by the independent generator  $z$ . A parametrized polycyclic power-commutator presentation, with four bounded parameters  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \{0, 1\}$  and the nilpotency

TABLE 4. Invariants of 2-groups  $G$  with  $G/G' \simeq (4, 2)$ 

$\zeta_1$	$\gamma_2$	$\tau$	$\varkappa$	$n_a$	$\mu$	$\nu$	$N_1$	$C_1$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
$1^2$	2	$(21)^2, \mathbf{31}$	$33\mathbf{P}$	1	3	1	3	2	0	0
		$(3)^2, 21$	$O^3$	3						
$1^2$	2	$(21)^2, \mathbf{31}$	$33\mathbf{3}$	1	3	1	1	0	0	1
		$(3)^2, 21$	$O^3$	3						
2	2	$(21)^2, \mathbf{31}$	$33\mathbf{2}$	1	2	0	0	0	1	1
		$(3)^2, 21$	$P^3$	3						
$1^2$	$c-1$	$(21)^2, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1})$	$33\mathbf{P}$	1	3	1	3	2	0	0
		$(c)^2, (c-1, 1)$	$O^3$	3						
$1^2$	$c-1$	$(21)^2, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1})$	$33\mathbf{3}$	1	3	1	1	0	0	1
		$(c)^2, (c-1, 1)$	$O^3$	3						
2	$c-1$	$(21)^2, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1})$	$33\mathbf{1}$	1	2	0	0	0	1	0
		$(c)^2, (c-1, 1)$	$P^3$	3						
1	$c-1$	$(21)^2, (\mathbf{c}-\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})$	$33\mathbf{3}$	0	2	0	0	0		
		$(c)^2, (c-1, 1)$	$Q^2R$	3						

class  $c := \text{cl}(G) \in \mathbb{N}$  as unbounded parameter, is given by

$$(5.1) \quad G_c(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta) = \langle x, y, z, t_2, s_2, \dots, s_c \mid s_2 = [y, x], s_i = [s_{i-1}, x] = [s_{i-1}, y] \text{ for } 3 \leq i \leq c, \\ x^2 = s_c^\alpha, y^2 = s_c^\beta, z^2 = s_c^\gamma, s_i^2 = s_{i+1}s_{i+2} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq c-2, s_{c-1}^2 = s_c, \\ t_2 = [z, x], t_2 = s_c^\delta \rangle$$

TABLE 5. Invariants of 2-groups  $G$  with  $G/G' \simeq (2, 2, 2)$ 

$\zeta_1$	$\gamma_2$	$\tau$	$\varkappa$	$n_a$	$\mu$	$\nu$	$N_1$	$C_1$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
$1^2$	1	$(1^3)^2, (1^2)^3, \mathbf{21}, 1^2$	$P_2P_1O^3\mathbf{O}O$	3	6	1	6	1	0	0	0	0
		$(1^2)^5, (2)^2$	$O^7$	7								
$1^2$	1	$(21)^2, (1^2)^3, \mathbf{21}, 1^2$	$P_1P_2O^3\mathbf{P}_6O$	3	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
		$1^2, (2)^6$	$O^7$	7								
2	1	$(21)^2, (1^2)^3, \mathbf{21}, 1^2$	$P_4P_5O^3\mathbf{P}_3O$	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
		$(1^2)^3, (2)^4$	$O^7$	7								
$1^2$	$c-1$	$(1^3)^2, (1^2)^3, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1}), 1^2$	$P_2P_1O^3\mathbf{O}O$	1	6	1	6	1	0	0	0	0
		$(1^2)^4, (c-1, 1), (c)^2$	$O^7$	3								
$1^2$	$c-1$	$(1^3)^2, (1^2)^3, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1}), 1^2$	$P_2P_1O^3\mathbf{P}_1O$	1	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
		$(1^2)^4, (c-1, 1), (c)^2$	$O^7$	3								
$1^2$	$c-1$	$(1^3)^2, (1^2)^3, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1}), 1^2$	$P_2P_1O^3\mathbf{P}_6O$	1	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
		$(1^2)^4, (c-1, 1), (c)^2$	$O^7$	3								
2	$c-1$	$(1^3)^2, (1^2)^3, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1}), 1^2$	$P_2P_1O^3\mathbf{P}_3O$	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
		$(1^2)^4, (c-1, 1), (c)^2$	$O^7$	3								
1	$c-1$	$(1^3)^2, (1^2)^3, (\mathbf{c}-\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}), 1^2$	$P_2P_1O^3\mathbf{O}O$	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
		$(1^2)^4, (c-1, 1), (c)^2$	$O^7$	3								
1	$c-1$	$(1^3)^2, (1^2)^3, (\mathbf{c}-\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}), 1^2$	$P_2P_1O^3\mathbf{O}O$	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
		$(1^2)^4, (c-1, 1), (c)^2$	$O^7$	3								

**5.1. Propagation of Artin patterns.** In Theorem 2.1, we have seen that the direct product  $G \times A$  of a group  $G$  with an abelian group  $A$  is isoclinic to  $G$ . In the case of finite non-trivial groups  $G$  and  $A$ , however,  $G \times A$  cannot be isomorphic to  $G$ , for cardinality reasons  $\#(G \times A) = \#G \cdot \#A > \#G$ . An important instance of this general theorem is realized by those 2-groups of coclass 2 with abelianization  $(2, 2, 2)$  which have the special presentations with parameters  $\gamma = \delta = 0$  in Formula (5.1), that is, with  $(\alpha, \beta) \in \{(0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1)\}$ . These presentations show

that the branch group  $G_c(\alpha, \beta, 0, 0)$  is the direct product of the stem group  $G_c(\alpha, \beta)$  in Formula (3.1) with the cyclic group  $C_2$  of order 2. Thus  $G_c(\alpha, \beta, 0, 0)$  is isoclinic to  $G_c(\alpha, \beta)$ . At the first sight, it seems impossible to compare the Artin transfer patterns of these isoclinic groups since, due to the rank increment from two to three,  $G_c(\alpha, \beta, 0, 0)$  has 7 maximal subgroups, whereas  $G_c(\alpha, \beta)$  has only 3. Nevertheless, the following theorem shows that the Artin pattern of  $G_c(\alpha, \beta)$  can be viewed as imbedded into the Artin pattern of  $G_c(\alpha, \beta, 0, 0)$  in a certain sense, and we speak about the *propagation* of the Artin transfer pattern from a stem group to a branch group with rank increment. The  $7 - 3 = 4$  additional components are simply padded with stable invariants having low contents of information.

**Theorem 5.1.** *The Artin pattern*

$$(\tau, \varkappa) = ([1^2, 1^2, \mathbf{c}], (21*))$$

of  $G_c(\alpha, \beta)$  with polarization at the third component propagates to the Artin pattern

$$(\tau, \varkappa) = ([1^3, 1^3, 1^2, 1^2, 1^2, (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{1}), 1^2], (P_2, P_1, O, O, O, *, O))$$

of  $G_c(\alpha, \beta, 0, 0)$  with stable imbedding at the first and second component, polarized imbedding at the sixth component and trivial padding at the third, fourth, fifth and seventh component.

*Proof.* We always observe that  $\zeta_1 G = \langle z, s_c \rangle$  is the centre of  $G$ , if  $\gamma = \delta = 0$ .

- The seven Artin transfers  $T_i : G/G' \rightarrow M_i/M'_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 7$  act as outer transfers  $T_i(gG') = g^2 M'_i$ , if  $g \in G \setminus M_i$ , and as inner transfers  $T_i(gG') = g^{1+h} M'_i$  with  $h \in G \setminus M_i$ , if  $g \in M_i$ .
- The derived subgroups of the seven maximal subgroups  $M_i = \langle t_i, u_i, G' \rangle$  with quotients  $M_i/G' \simeq P_i = \langle t_i, u_i \rangle$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ , which possess the generators  $t_i$  and  $u_i$  in Table 7 and the relations in Formula (5.1), are given by  
 $M'_1 = \langle [s_i, y] \mid i \geq 2 \rangle = \langle s_3 \rangle$ , since  $G = G_c(\alpha, \beta, 0, 0)$  is isoclinic to  $G_c(\alpha, \beta)$ ,  
similarly  $M'_2 = \langle [s_i, x] \mid i \geq 2 \rangle = \langle s_3 \rangle$ ,  
 $M'_3 = \langle [y, x], [s_i, x] = [s_i, y] \mid i \geq 2 \rangle = \langle s_2 \rangle = G'$ ,  
similarly  $M'_4 = G'$ , since  $[g, yz] = [g, z][g, y]^z = [g, y]$  for all  $g \in G$ ,  
similarly  $M'_5 = G'$ , since  $[g, zx] = [g, x][g, z]^x = [g, x]$  for all  $g \in G$ ,  
 $M'_6 = 1$ , i.e.  $M_6$  is abelian, since  $[s_i, xy] = 1$  for  $i \geq 2$  and  $[G', G'] = 1$ ,  
 $M'_7 = G'$ , since  $[y, xy] = [y, y][y, x]^y = s_2^y = s_2 \cdot s_2^{-1+y} = s_2 s_3$  and  $[s_i, yz] = [s_i, y] = s_{i+1}$  for  $i \geq 2$ .

- To determine the kernels  $\ker(T_i)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ , it suffices to calculate the images of the generators  $x, y, z$  and to decide which images are trivial.

$$T_3(xG') = x^{1+z} G' = x^2 G' = G', \quad T_3(yG') = y^{1+z} G' = y^2 G' = G', \quad T_3(zG') = z^2 G' = G',$$

$$T_4(xG') = x^{1+z} G' = x^2 G' = G', \quad T_4(yG') = y^2 G' = G', \quad T_4(zG') = z^2 G' = G',$$

$$T_5(xG') = x^2 G' = G', \quad T_5(yG') = y^{1+z} G' = y^2 G' = G', \quad T_5(zG') = z^2 G' = G',$$

$$T_7(xG') = x^2 G' = G', \quad T_7(yG') = y^2 G' = G', \quad T_7(zG') = z^2 G' = G',$$

and thus all the kernels  $\ker(T_3) = \ker(T_4) = \ker(T_5) = \ker(T_7) = G/G' \simeq O$  are total.

$$T_1(xG') = x^2 \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\alpha \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad T_1(yG') = y^{1+x} \langle s_3 \rangle = y^2 y^{-1+x} \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\beta s_2 \langle s_3 \rangle,$$

$$T_1(zG') = z^{1+x} \langle s_3 \rangle = z^2 z^{-1+x} \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\gamma s_c^\delta \langle s_3 \rangle,$$

$$T_2(xG') = x^{1+y} \langle s_3 \rangle = x^2 x^{-1+y} \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\alpha s_2^{-1} \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad T_2(yG') = y^2 \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\beta \langle s_3 \rangle,$$

$$T_2(zG') = z^{1+y} \langle s_3 \rangle = z^2 z^{-1+y} \langle s_3 \rangle = s_c^\gamma \langle s_3 \rangle,$$

$$T_6(xG') = x^2 = s_c^\alpha, \quad T_6(yG') = y^2 = s_c^\beta, \quad T_6(zG') = z^{1+x} = z^2 z^{-1+x} = s_c^\gamma s_c^\delta.$$

We continue to consider the case  $(\gamma, \delta) = (0, 0)$ : For class  $c \geq 3$  and any  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , we have

$$T_1(xG') = \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad T_1(yG') = s_2 \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad T_1(zG') = \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad \text{and } \ker(T_1) = M_2/G' \simeq P_2,$$

$$T_2(xG') = s_2^{-1} \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad T_2(yG') = \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad T_2(zG') = \langle s_3 \rangle, \quad \text{and } \ker(T_2) = M_1/G' \simeq P_1.$$

Class  $c = 2$  is irregular, since  $\langle s_3 \rangle = 1$ , and thus

$$T_1(xG') = s_2^\alpha, \quad T_1(yG') = s_2^{\beta+1}, \quad T_1(zG') = 1, \quad T_2(xG') = s_2^{\alpha-1}, \quad T_2(yG') = s_2^\beta, \quad T_2(zG') = 1,$$

$$\ker(T_1) = M_2/G' \simeq P_2 \text{ for } (\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0), \quad \ker(T_1) = M_1/G' \simeq P_1 \text{ for } (\alpha, \beta) = (1, 1),$$

$$\ker(T_2) = M_1/G' \simeq P_1 \text{ for } (\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0), \quad \ker(T_2) = M_2/G' \simeq P_2 \text{ for } (\alpha, \beta) = (1, 1).$$

Finally,  $\ker(T_6) = G/G' \simeq O$ , confirming the mainline principle, for  $(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$ , but

$\ker(T_6) = M_1/G' \simeq P_1$ , for  $(\alpha, \beta) = (1, 0)$ , and  $\ker(T_6) = M_6/G' \simeq P_6$ , for  $(\alpha, \beta) = (1, 1)$ , since  $T_6(xy) = T_6(x) \cdot T_6(y) = s_c^{\alpha+\beta} = s_c^2 = 1$ , for any  $c \geq 2$ .  $\square$

## 6. THE ELEMENTARY ABELIAN 2-GROUP OF TYPE $(2, 2, 2)$

We are going to analyze the capitulation of number fields  $F$  with 2-class group  $\text{Cl}_2 F$  of elementary abelian type  $(2, 2, 2)$  in their  $\frac{2^3-1}{2-1} = 7$  unramified quadratic extensions  $E_i/F$  with  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ . Such a group can be viewed as a *vector space*  $O$  with dimension  $\dim_{\mathbb{F}_2}(O) = 3$  over the finite field  $\mathbb{F}_2$  with two elements. The vector space  $O$  possesses  $2^2 + 2 + 1 = 7$  *lines*, that is, subgroups  $L_i$  of index  $(O : L_i) = 2^2$ , and 7 *planes*, that is, subgroups  $P_i$  of index  $(O : P_i) = 2$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq 7$ . Let  $x, y, z$  be fixed generators of  $O = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ , then we shall arrange the generators of the lines  $L_i = \langle g_i \rangle$  in the way shown in Table 6.

TABLE 6. Generators of the 7 lines  $L_i$  in  $O$

$i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$g_i$	$x$	$y$	$z$	$xy$	$yz$	$zx$	$xyz$

For the sake of brevity, we simply denote  $g_i$  by its subscript  $i$ , and we introduce identifiers for the planes  $P_i = \langle t_i, u_i \rangle$  as shown in Table 7. The elements  $t_i, u_i$  can be viewed as generators of a transversal of  $L_i = \langle g_i \rangle$ , i.e. a system of coset representatives for  $L_i$  in  $O$ . Each set  $T_i$  contains the subscripts of generators  $g_j$  contained in  $P_i$ .

TABLE 7. Identifiers and generators of the 7 planes  $P_i$  in  $O$

$i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$t_i$	$y$	$z$	$x$	$x$	$y$	$z$	$xy$
$u_i$	$z$	$x$	$y$	$yz$	$zx$	$xy$	$yz$
$T_i$	2, 3, 5	1, 3, 6	1, 2, 4	1, 5, 7	2, 6, 7	3, 4, 7	4, 5, 6

It is also useful to list the *bundles*  $B_i$  of planes containing an assigned line  $L_i$  in Table 8.

TABLE 8. The 7 bundles  $B_i$  of planes in  $O$

$i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$B_i$	$P_2, P_3, P_4$	$P_1, P_3, P_5$	$P_1, P_2, P_6$	$P_3, P_6, P_7$	$P_1, P_4, P_7$	$P_2, P_5, P_7$	$P_4, P_5, P_6$

If  $G := \text{Gal}(F_2^{(\infty)}/F)$  denotes the pro-2 Galois group of the Hilbert 2-class field tower  $F_2^{(\infty)}$  of the number field  $F$ , then we have the isomorphism  $O := \text{Cl}_2 F \simeq G/G'$ .

Finally, we recall the connection between the size of the capitulation kernel  $\ker(T_{E/F})$ , that is the kernel of the transfer  $T_{E/F} : \text{Cl}_2 F \rightarrow \text{Cl}_2 E$  of 2-classes from  $F$  to  $E$ , and the unit norm index  $(U_F : \text{Norm}_{E/F} U_E)$  of an unramified quadratic extension  $E/F$  of a totally complex quartic number field  $F$ .

**Theorem 6.1.** *The order of the capitulation kernel of  $E/F$  is given by*

$$(6.1) \quad \#\ker(T_{E/F}) = \begin{cases} 2, \\ 4, \\ 8, \end{cases} \quad \text{if and only if} \quad (U_F : \text{Norm}_{E/F} U_E) = \begin{cases} 1, \\ 2, \\ 4. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* According to the Herbrand Theorem on the unit group  $U_E$  as a Galois module with respect to  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$  [13], we have the relation  $\#\ker(T_{E/F}) = [E : F] \cdot (U_F : \text{Norm}_{E/F} U_E)$ , since  $E/F$  is unramified of prime degree  $[E : F] = 2$ . If the base field  $F$  has signature  $(r_1, r_2) = (0, 2)$  and torsionfree Dirichlet unit rank  $r = r_1 + r_2 - 1 = 1$ , then there are three possibilities for the unit norm index  $(U_F : \text{Norm}_{E/F} U_E) \in \{1, 2, 4\}$ , since  $U_F$  contains the 2-torsion unit  $-1$ .  $\square$

**Remark 6.1.** When  $F$  is a number field with 2-class group  $O := \text{Cl}_2 F$  of elementary abelian type  $(2, 2, 2)$ , then  $\#\ker(T_{E/F}) = 2$  if and only if  $(\exists 1 \leq i \leq 7) \ker(T_{E/F}) = L_i$ ,  $\#\ker(T_{E/F}) = 4$  if and only if  $(\exists 1 \leq i \leq 7) \ker(T_{E/F}) = P_i$ , and  $\#\ker(T_{E/F}) = 8$  if and only if  $\ker(T_{E/F}) = O$ .

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