# Skew Braces with Additive Group Isomorphic to $C_{p^{n}} \rtimes C_{p}$ and <br> Corresponding Hopf-Galois Structures 

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$$
M_{\epsilon} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} C_{p^{n}} \rtimes C_{p}
$$

and Classification of Pre-Lie Algebras of Size $p^{3}$
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## The Yang-Baxter Equation

For a vector space $V$, an element

$$
R \in \mathrm{GL}(V \otimes V)
$$

is said to satisfy the Yang-Baxter equation (YBE) if

$$
(R \otimes I)(I \otimes R)(R \otimes I)=(I \otimes R)(R \otimes I)(I \otimes R)
$$

holds.
This equation can be depicted by


## Set-Theoretic Yang-Baxter Equation

In 1992 Drinfeld suggested studying the simplest class of solutions arising from the set-theoretic version of this equation.

## Definition

Let $X$ be a nonempty set and

$$
\begin{aligned}
r: X \times X & \longrightarrow X \times X \\
(x, y) & \longmapsto\left(f_{x}(y), g_{y}(x)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

a bijection. Then $(X, r)$ is a set-theoretic solution of YBE if

$$
(r \times \mathrm{id})(\mathrm{id} \times r)(r \times \mathrm{id})=(\mathrm{id} \times r)(r \times \mathrm{id})(\mathrm{id} \times r)
$$

holds. The solution ( $X, r$ ) is called non-degenerate if $f_{x}, g_{x} \in \operatorname{Perm}(X)$ for all $x \in X$ and involutive if $r^{2}=$ id.

## Skew Braces

## Definition

A (left) skew brace is a triple $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ which consists of a set $B$ together with two operations $\oplus$ and $\odot$ so that $(B, \oplus)$ and $(B, \odot)$ are groups such that for all $a, b, c \in B$ :

$$
a \odot(b \oplus c)=(a \odot b) \ominus a \oplus(a \odot c),
$$

where $\ominus a$ is the inverse of $a$ with respect to the operation $\oplus$.

## Remark

A skew brace is called two-sided if

$$
(b \oplus c) \odot a=(b \odot a) \ominus a \oplus(c \odot a),
$$

and a bi-skew brace if

$$
a \oplus(b \odot c)=(a \oplus b) \odot a^{-1} \odot(a \oplus c) .
$$

## Skew Braces

## Notation

- We call a skew brace $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ such that $(B, \oplus) \cong N$ and $(B, \odot) \cong G$ a $G$-skew brace of type $N$.
- A skew brace $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ is called a brace if $(B, \oplus)$ is abelian, i.e., a skew brace of abelian type.

Braces were introduced by Rump in 2007 as a generalisation of radical rings. They provide non-degenerate, involutive set-theoretic solutions of the YBE.

## Skew Braces: History

Skew braces generalise braces and were introduced by Guarnieri and
Vendramin in 2017.


## They provide non-degenerate set-theoretic solutions of the Yang-Baxter equation.

Their connection to ring theory and Hopf-Galois structures was studied by Bachiller, Byott, Smoktunowicz, and Vendramin.

Recently a correspondence between finite right nilpotent
$\mathbb{F}_{p}$-braces and finite nilpotent pre-Lie algebras were investigated by Smoktunowicz.

## Skew Braces and the YBE

## Theorem (Guarnieri and Vendramin)

Let $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ be a skew brace. Then the map

$$
\begin{aligned}
r_{B}: B \times B & \longrightarrow B \times B \\
(a, b) & \longmapsto\left(\ominus a \oplus(a \odot b),(\ominus a \oplus(a \odot b))^{-1} \odot a \odot b\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

is a non-degenerate set-theoretic solution of the YBE, which is involutive if and only if $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ is a brace.

## Hopf-Galois Structures

For $L / K$ extension of fields with $G=\operatorname{Gal}(L / K)$, Hopf-Galois structures are $K$-Hopf algebras together with an action on $L$.

## Definition

A Hopf-Galois structure on $L / K$ consists of a finite dimensional cocommutative $K$-Hopf algebra $H$ together with an action on $L$ such that the $R$-module homomorphism

$$
\begin{aligned}
& j: L \otimes_{K} H \longrightarrow \operatorname{End}_{K}(L) \\
& \quad s \otimes h \longmapsto(t \longmapsto \operatorname{sh}(t)) \text { for } s, t \in L, h \in H
\end{aligned}
$$

is an isomorphism.

The group algebra $K[G]$ endows $L / K$ with the classical Hopf-Galois structure.

## Hopf-Galois Structures

## Theorem (Greither and Pareigis)

Hopf-Galois structures on $L / K$ correspond bijectively to regular subgroups of $\operatorname{Perm}(G)$ which are normalised by the image of $G$, as left translations, inside $\operatorname{Perm}(G)$.

Every $K$-Hopf algebra which endows $L / K$ with a Hopf-Galois structure is of the form $L[N]^{G}$ for some regular subgroup $N \subseteq \operatorname{Perm}(G)$ normalised by the left translations.

## Hopf-Galois Structures: Byott's Translation

## Theorem (Byott)

Let $G$ and $N$ be finite groups. There exists a bijection between the sets
$\mathcal{N}=\{\alpha: N \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Perm}(G) \mid \alpha(N)$ is regular and normalised by $G\}$

$$
\mathcal{G}=\{\beta: G \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Hol}(N) \mid \beta(G) \text { is regular }\},
$$

where $\operatorname{Hol}(N)=N \rtimes \operatorname{Aut}(N)$.

## Enumerating Hopf-Galois Structures (Byott)

Using Byott's translation one can show that
$\sharp$ HGS on $L / K$ of type $N=$
$\left.\left.\frac{|\operatorname{Aut}(G)|}{|\operatorname{Aut}(N)|} \right\rvert\,\{H \subseteq \operatorname{Hol}(N)$ regular with $H \cong G\} \right\rvert\,$.

## $\mathbb{F}_{p}$-Braces and pre-Lie Algebras

## Definition

A pre-Lie algebra A is a vector space together with an operation $(x, y) \longmapsto x y$ satisfying

$$
(x y) z-x(y z)=(y x) z-y(x z) \text { for all } x, y, z \in A
$$

a pre-Lie algebra $A$ is nilpotent if, for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, all products of $n$ elements in $A$ are zero.

## Definition

Let $\mathbb{F}$ be a field. We say that a left brace $(A,+, \circ)$ is an $\mathbb{F}$-brace if its additive group is an $\mathbb{F}$-vector space such that

$$
a *(\alpha b)=\alpha(a * b)
$$

for all $a, b \in A$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$. Here we have $a \circ b=a+b+a * b$.

## Correspondence

Define $A^{i+1}=A^{i} * A$ and $A^{(i+1)}=A * A^{i}$. Now define $A^{[1]}=A$ and

$$
A^{[i+1]}=\sum_{j=1}^{i} A^{[j]} * A^{i+1-j} .
$$

A braces is called strongly nilpotent if there exists an $n$ with $A^{[n]}=0$.

## Theorem (Smoktunowicz 2020)

Let $A$ be an $\mathbb{F}_{p}$-brace of degree $k$ which is strongly nilpotent. Assume that $2 k<p$. Define the binary operation $\odot$ on $A$ as follows

$$
a \odot b=-\sum_{i=0}^{p-2} \frac{1}{2^{i}}\left(\left(2^{i} a\right) * b\right),
$$

for $a, b \in A$. Then $A$ with operations + and $\odot$ is a pre-Lie algebra over the field $\mathbb{F}_{p}$.

## Reverse Correspondence (Smoktunowicz 2020)

- On the other hand, let $A$ with operations + and $\cdot$ be a nilpotent pre-Lie algebra (over field $\mathbb{F}_{p}$ ) of nilpotency index $k$. Define

$$
a \circ b=a+e^{L_{\Omega(a)}}(b)
$$

Then $(A,+, \circ)$ is a left brace.

- This uses the group of flows of a pre-Lie algebra to obtain the passage from finite nilpotent pre-Lie algebras of cardinality $p^{n}$ and right nilpotent $F_{p}$-braces.
- The correspondence is subject to some conditions.
- Some explicit examples coming up soon.


## Hopf-Galois Structures (HGS): Some Results

- Byott (1996): if $|G|=n$, then $L / K$ has unique HGS iff $\operatorname{gcd}(n, \phi(n))=1$
- $\operatorname{Kohl}(1998,2019)$ HGS for $C_{p^{n}}, D_{n}$ for a prime $p>2$
- Byott $(1996,2004)$ HGS for $|G|=p^{2}, p q$, also when $G$ a nonabelian simple group
- Carnahan and Childs $(1999,2005)$ HGS for $C_{p}^{n}, S_{n}$
- Alabadi and Byott $(2017,2019)$ HGS for $|G|$ squarefree
- Nejabati Zenouz $(2018,2019)$ HGS for $|G|=p^{3}$ where $p \geq 2$
- Crespo and Salguero (2019) HGS for $C_{p^{n}} \rtimes C_{D}$ with $p \nmid D$
- Samways (2019) HGS for $C_{n}$ and Tsang for $S_{n}$
- Campedel, Caranti, Del Corso (2019) for $|G|=p^{2} q$ : the cyclic Sylow p-subgroup case
- Crespo (2020) HGS for $2 p^{2}$, with $p>2$


## Skew Braces Parametrise Hopf-Galois Structures

For a skew brace $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ the group $(B, \oplus)$ acts on $(B, \odot)$ and we find

$$
\begin{aligned}
d:(B, \oplus) & \longrightarrow \operatorname{Perm}(B, \odot) \\
a & \longmapsto\left(d_{a}: b \longmapsto a \oplus b\right),
\end{aligned}
$$

which is a regular embedding.
$\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { isomorphism classes } \\ \text { of } G \text {-skew braces, } \\ \text { i.e., with }(B, \odot) \cong G\end{array}\right\} \stackrel{\text { bij }}{\text { bij }}\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { classes of Hopf-Galois structures } \\ \text { on } L / K \text { under } L\left[N_{1}\right]^{G} \sim L\left[N_{2}\right]^{G} \\ \text { if } N_{2}=\alpha N_{1} \alpha^{-1} \text { for some } \\ \alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}(G)\end{array}\right\}$
If $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ is a skew brace of type, then we get the following Hopf-Galois structures on $L / K$

$$
\left\{L\left[\alpha(\operatorname{Im} d) \alpha^{-1}\right]^{(B, \odot)} \mid \alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}(B, \odot)\right\} .
$$

## Automorphism Groups of Skew Braces

## Automorphism Groups

In particular, if $f:(B, \oplus, \odot) \longrightarrow(B, \oplus, \odot)$ is an automorphism, then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (B, \oplus) \xrightarrow{d} \operatorname{Perm}(B, \odot) \\
& \left.{ }_{2}\right|^{f} \\
& { }_{2}{ }^{C_{f}} \\
& (B, \oplus) \stackrel{d}{\longrightarrow} \operatorname{Perm}(B, \odot) ;
\end{aligned}
$$

using this observation we find

$$
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}(B, \oplus, \odot) \cong\left\{\alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}(B, \odot) \mid \alpha(\operatorname{Im} d) \alpha^{-1} \subseteq \operatorname{Im} d\right\} .
$$

## Classification of HGS and SB I

## Classifying Skew Braces

To find the non-isomorphic $G$-skew braces of type $N$ classify elements of the set

$$
\mathcal{S}(G, N)=\{H \subseteq \operatorname{Perm}(G) \mid H \text { is regular, NLT, } H \cong N\},
$$

and extract a maximal subset whose elements are not conjugate by any element of $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$.

## Hopf-Galois Structures Parametrised by Skew Braces

Denote by $B_{G}^{N}$ the isomorphism class of a $G$-skew brace of type $N$ given by $(B, \oplus, \odot)$. Then the number of Hopf-Galois structures on $L / K$ of type $N$ is given by

$$
e(G, N)=\sum_{B_{G}^{N}} \frac{|\operatorname{Aut}(G)|}{\left|\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(B_{G}^{N}\right)\right|} .
$$

## Classification of HGS and SB II

We would like to work with holomorphs instead of the permutation groups.

For a skew brace $(B, \oplus, \odot)$ consider the action of $(B, \odot)$ on $(B, \oplus)$ by $(a, b) \longmapsto a \odot b$. This yeilds to a map

$$
\begin{aligned}
m:(B, \odot) & \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hol}(B, \oplus) \\
a & \longmapsto\left(m_{a}: b \longmapsto a \odot b\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

which is a regular embedding. In the above let $\lambda$ be


## Skew Braces and Regular Subgroups of Holomorph

Bachiller, Byott, Vendramin:

classes of regular subgroup of $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$ under $H_{1} \sim H_{2}$ if

$$
\begin{gathered}
H_{2}=\alpha H_{1} \alpha^{-1} \text { for some } \\
\alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}(N)
\end{gathered}
$$

Another Characterisation of Automorphism Group

$$
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}(B, \oplus, \odot) \cong\left\{\alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}(B, \oplus) \mid \alpha(\operatorname{Im} m) \alpha^{-1} \subseteq \operatorname{Im} m\right\}
$$

## Classification of HGS and SB III

## Skew braces

To find the non-isomorphic $G$-skew braces of type $N$ for a fixed $N$, classify elements of the set

$$
\mathcal{S}^{\prime}(G, N)=\{H \subseteq \operatorname{Hol}(N) \mid H \text { is regular, } H \cong G\},
$$

and extract a maximal subset whose elements are not conjugate by any element of $\operatorname{Aut}(N)$.

## Skew Braces: Some Results

- Rump (2007) cyclic braces
- Bachiller (2015) braces of order $p^{3}$
- Nejabati Zenouz $(2018,2019)$ skew braces of order $p^{3}$
- Catino, Colazzo, Stefanelli (2017, 2018) semi-braces and skew braces with non-trivial annihilator
- Dietzel (2018) braces of order $p^{2} q$
- Childs $(2018,2019)$ Correspondence and bi-skew braces
- Nasybullov (2018) two-sided skew braces
- Koch, Truman (2019) opposite braces
- Alabadi, Byott (2019) skew braces of squarefree order
- Campedel, Caranti, Del Corso (2019) skew braces of order $p^{2} q$ : the cyclic Sylow p-subgroup case
- Acri, Bonatto (2019, 2020), skew braces of order $p q, p^{2} q$
- Crespo (2019), skew braces of order $2 p^{2}$


## Skew Braces and Hopf-Galois Structures for $p^{3}$

## Theorem 1 (Nejabati Zenouz, 2018)

Number of $G$-skew braces of type $N, \widetilde{e}(G, N)$, for $p>3$ prime

| $\widetilde{e}(G, N)$ | $C_{p^{3}}$ | $C_{p^{2}} \times C_{p}$ | $C_{p}^{3}$ | $C_{p}^{2} \rtimes C_{p}$ | $C_{p^{2}} \rtimes C_{p}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{p^{3}}$ | 3 | - | - | - | - |
| $C_{p^{2}} \times C_{p}$ | - | 9 | - | - | $4 p+1$ |
| $C_{p}^{3}$ | - | - | 5 | $2 p+1$ | - |
| $C_{p}^{2} \rtimes C_{p}$ | - | - | $2 p+1$ | $2 p^{2}-p+3$ | - |
| $C_{p^{2}} \rtimes C_{p}$ | - | $4 p+1$ | - | - | $4 p^{2}-3 p-1$ |

Corresponding Hopf-Galois structures $e(G, N)$

| $e(G, N)$ | $C_{p^{3}}$ | $C_{p^{2}} \times C_{p}$ | $C_{p}^{3}$ | $C_{p}^{2} \rtimes C_{p}$ | $C_{p^{2}} \rtimes C_{p}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{p^{3}}$ | $p^{2}$ | - | - | - | - |
| $C_{p^{2}} \times C_{p}$ | - | $(2 p-1) p^{2}$ | - | - | $(2 p-1)(p-1) p^{2}$ |
| $C_{p}^{3}$ | - | - | $\left(p^{4}+p^{3}-1\right) p^{2}$ | $\left(p^{3}-1\right)\left(p^{2}+p-1\right) p^{2}$ | - |
| $C_{p}^{2} \rtimes C_{p}$ | - | - | $\left(p^{2}+p-1\right) p^{2}$ | $\left(2 p^{3}-3 p+1\right) p^{2}$ | - |
| $C_{p^{2}} \rtimes C_{p}$ | - | $(2 p-1) p^{2}$ | - | - | $(2 p-1)(p-1) p^{2}$ |

## Skew Braces and Hopf-Galois Structures for $p^{3}$

## Theorem 2 (Nejabati Zenouz, 2018)

Number of $G$-skew braces of type $N, \widetilde{e}(G, N)$, for $p=3$ prime

| $\widetilde{e}(G, N)$ | $C_{27}$ | $C_{9} \times C_{3}$ | $C_{3}^{3}$ | $C_{3}^{2} \rtimes C_{3}$ | $C_{9} \rtimes C_{3}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{27}$ | 3 | - | - | - | - |
| $C_{9} \times C_{3}$ | - | 8 | 1 | 2 | 11 |
| $C_{3}^{3}$ | - | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| $M_{1}$ | - | 2 | 5 | 14 | 4 |
| $M_{2}$ | - | 11 | 2 | 4 | 22 |

Corresponding Hopf-Galois structures $e(G, N)$

| $e(G, N)$ | $C_{27}$ | $C_{9} \times C_{3}$ | $C_{3}^{3}$ | $C_{3}^{2} \rtimes C_{3}$ | $C_{9} \rtimes C_{3}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{27}$ | 9 | - | - | - | - |
| $C_{9} \times C_{3}$ | - | 39 | 6 | 12 | 78 |
| $C_{3}^{3}$ | - | 624 | 339 | 1300 | 1248 |
| $M_{1}$ | - | 48 | 51 | 317 | 96 |
| $M_{2}$ | - | 39 | 6 | 12 | 78 |

## Skew Braces and Hopf-Galois Structures for $p^{3}$

## Theorem 3 (Nejabati Zenouz, 2018)

Number of $G$-skew braces of type $N, \widetilde{e}(G, N)$, for $p=2$ prime

| $\widetilde{e}(G, N)$ | $C_{8}$ | $C_{4} \times C_{2}$ | $C_{2}^{3}$ | $D_{8}$ | $Q_{8}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{8}$ | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| $C_{4} \times C_{2}$ | 1 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| $C_{2}^{3}$ | - | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| $D_{8}$ | 1 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| $Q_{8}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |

Corresponding Hopf-Galois structures $e(G, N)$

| $e(G, N)$ | $C_{8}$ | $C_{4} \times C_{2}$ | $C_{2}^{3}$ | $D_{8}$ | $Q_{8}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $C_{8}$ | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| $C_{4} \times C_{2}$ | 4 | 10 | 4 | 6 | 2 |
| $C_{2}^{3}$ | - | 42 | 8 | 42 | 14 |
| $D_{8}$ | 2 | 14 | 6 | 6 | 2 |
| $Q_{8}$ | 6 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 2 |

## Skew Braces of Semi-direct Product Type

## Remark

Note for $p>3$ we have $p^{2} \mid e(G, N)$, and for $p>2$

$$
|\operatorname{Aut}(N)| e(G, N)=|\operatorname{Aut}(G)| e(N, G) \text { and } \widetilde{e}(G, N)=\widetilde{e}(N, G) .
$$

## Question

How general is the pattern $\widetilde{e}(G, N)=\widetilde{e}(N, G)$ ?

## Proposition (Nejabati Zenouz, Acri and Bonatto)

Let $P$ and $Q$ be groups. Suppose $\alpha, \beta: Q \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(P)$ are group homomorphisms such that $\operatorname{Im} \beta$ is an abelian group and $[\operatorname{Im} \alpha, \operatorname{Im} \beta]=1$.
(1) We can form an $\left(P \rtimes_{\alpha} Q\right)$-skew brace of type $P \rtimes_{\beta} Q$.
(2) And an $\left(P \rtimes_{\beta} Q^{\mathrm{op}}\right)$-skew brace of type $P \rtimes_{\alpha} Q$.
( Acri and Bonatto showed that $P \subset$ ker $\lambda$.

## Skew Braces of Type $C_{p^{n}} \rtimes C_{p}$ Hopf-Galois Structures and pre-Lie Algebras

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- In Skew Braces and Hopf-Galois Structures of Heisenberg Type, J. Algebra, 2019, that is $(B, \oplus)$ is isomorphic to

$$
M \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left\langle\rho, \sigma, \tau \mid \rho^{p}=\sigma^{p}=\tau^{p}=1, \sigma \rho=\rho \sigma, \tau \rho=\rho \tau, \tau \sigma=\rho \sigma \tau\right\rangle
$$

- Note, $M \cong C_{p}^{2} \rtimes C_{p}$. Idea: I could use for $\epsilon=0,1$,

$$
M_{\epsilon} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left\langle\rho, \sigma, \tau \mid \rho^{p}=\sigma^{p}=\tau^{p}=1, \sigma \rho=\rho \sigma, \tau \rho=\rho \tau, \tau \sigma=\rho^{1-\epsilon} \sigma \tau\right\rangle
$$

- Now $M_{0}=M$ and $M_{1}=C_{p}^{3}$. Then

$$
\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right) \subseteq \mathrm{GL}_{3}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)
$$

and handle both cases at once.

## The Group $M_{\epsilon}$

- Implement the idea for $C_{p^{2}} \rtimes C_{p}$ for $p$ prime, so

$$
M_{\epsilon} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left\langle\sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^{p^{2}}=\tau^{p}=1, \tau \sigma=\sigma^{p^{\epsilon+1}} \sigma \tau\right\rangle
$$

- Change to $n \geq 2$ with $p>3$ : groups of the form $C_{p^{n}} \rtimes C_{p}$.
- Note, a homomorphism

$$
\alpha: C_{p} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}\left(C_{p^{n}}\right) \cong C_{p^{n-1}} \times C_{p-1}
$$

is either trivial, or has a unique image of order $p$.

- Therefore,

$$
M_{\epsilon} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left\langle\sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^{p^{n}}=\tau^{p}=1, \tau \sigma=\sigma^{p^{m}} \sigma \tau\right\rangle \cong C_{p^{n}} \rtimes C_{p},
$$

where $m=n+\epsilon-1$, and $m=n$ or $m=n-1$ only.

- Nonabelian group when $\epsilon=0$ and abelian when $\epsilon=1$.


## Automorphisms of $M_{\epsilon}$

For $\epsilon=0,1$ let

$$
\mathrm{L}_{\epsilon}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left\{A \in \mathrm{GL}_{2}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \left\lvert\, A=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
a_{1} & 0 \\
a_{3} & a_{4}^{\epsilon}
\end{array}\right)\right.\right\}
$$

## Lemma

Every automorphism of $\alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ can be written as

$$
\alpha=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
a_{1} & a_{2} p^{n-1} \\
a_{3} & a_{4}^{\epsilon}
\end{array}\right], \text { with } \sigma^{\alpha}=\sigma^{a_{1}} \tau^{a_{3}}, \tau^{\alpha}=\sigma^{a_{2} p^{n-1}} \tau^{a_{4}^{\epsilon}}
$$

where $a_{1}=0, \ldots, p^{n}-1$ and $a_{2}, a_{3}, a_{4}=0, \ldots, p-1$ such that if we reduce the entries modulo $p$, then we have an element of $\mathrm{L}_{\epsilon}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$. In particular, we have

$$
\left|\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)\right|=(p-1)^{\epsilon+1} p^{n+1}
$$

## Composition Rule for Automorphisms

Given two automorphisms

$$
\alpha=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
a_{1} & a_{2} p^{n-1} \\
a_{3} & a_{4}^{\epsilon}
\end{array}\right] \text { and } \beta=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
b_{1} & b_{2} p^{n-1} \\
b_{3} & b_{4}^{\epsilon}
\end{array}\right]
$$

then the composition $\alpha \beta$ corresponds to
$\alpha \beta=\left[\begin{array}{cc}a_{1} b_{1}+a_{2} b_{3} p^{n-1}+\frac{1}{2} a_{1} a_{3} b_{1}\left(b_{1}-1\right) p^{m} & \left(a_{1} b_{2}+a_{2} b_{4}^{\epsilon}\right) p^{n-1} \\ a_{3} b_{1}+a_{4}^{\epsilon} b_{3} & \left(a_{4} b_{4}\right)^{\epsilon}\end{array}\right]$.

## Structure of $\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$

## Lemma

The group $\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ fits in the exact sequence

$$
1 \longrightarrow C_{p^{n-1}} \times C_{p} \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right) \longrightarrow \mathrm{L}_{\epsilon}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \longrightarrow 1 .
$$

## The $p$-Sylow Subgroup of $\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$

## Lemma

The group $\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ has a unique $p$-Sylow subgroup $\mathrm{A}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ isomorphic to

$$
\mathrm{A}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)=\left\langle\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}\right\rangle \cong\left(C_{p^{n-1}} \times C_{p}\right) \rtimes C_{p}
$$

generated by automorphisms

$$
\alpha_{1} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left[\begin{array}{cc}
p+1 & 0 \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right], \alpha_{2} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
1 & 1
\end{array}\right], \alpha_{3} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left[\begin{array}{cc}
1 & p^{n-1} \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right],
$$

which satisfy

$$
\begin{aligned}
\alpha_{1}^{p^{n-1}} & =\alpha_{2}^{p}=\alpha_{3}^{p}=1, \\
\alpha_{2} \alpha_{1}=\alpha_{1} \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3} \alpha_{1} & =\alpha_{1} \alpha_{3}, \alpha_{3} \alpha_{2}=\alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}} \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3} .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Generalities of $\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ and $\mathrm{A}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$

For positive integers $a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, a_{4}, r$ we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}} \alpha_{1}^{b_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{b_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{b_{3}} & =\alpha_{1}^{a_{3} b_{2} p^{n-2}} \alpha_{1}^{a_{1}+b_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}+b_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}+b_{3}} \\
\left(\alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right)^{r} & =\alpha_{1}^{\frac{1}{2} a_{2} a_{3} r(r-1) p^{n-2}} \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} r} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2} r} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3} r}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Lemma

Let $\alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$. Then we can always write $\alpha=\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}} \beta$, for some $r_{3}$ and some $\beta=\left[\begin{array}{cc}b_{1} & 0 \\ b_{3} & b_{4}^{\epsilon}\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$, and we find

$$
\alpha^{-1}=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
b_{1}^{-1}-\frac{1}{2} b_{1}^{-1}\left(b_{1}^{-1}-1\right) b_{3} p^{m} & 0 \\
-b_{1}^{-1} b_{3} b_{4}^{-\epsilon} & b_{4}^{-\epsilon}
\end{array}\right] \alpha_{3}^{-r_{3}} .
$$

In particular, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\alpha\left(\alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right) \alpha^{-1}= & \alpha_{1}^{a_{2} r_{3} b_{1}^{-1} b_{4}^{\epsilon} p^{n-2}+\frac{1}{2} a_{2}\left(b_{1}^{-1}-1\right) p^{m-1}-a_{3} b_{3} b_{4}^{\epsilon} p^{n-2}} \\
& \alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2} b_{1}^{-1} b_{4}^{\epsilon}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3} b_{1} b_{4}^{-\epsilon}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Subgroups of $M_{\epsilon}$ up to Automorphisms

## Lemma

The strict subgroups of $M_{\epsilon}$ are all abelian and given by the following table (say for $n>2$ ).

| Order | Subgroups Up to Automorphisms |
| :--- | :--- |
| $p$ | $\left\langle\sigma^{p^{n-1}}\right\rangle,\langle\tau\rangle$ |
| $p^{r}$ | $\left\langle\sigma^{\left.p^{n-r}\right\rangle,\left\langle\sigma^{p^{n-r}} \tau\right\rangle,\left\langle\sigma^{p^{n-r+1}}, \tau\right\rangle}\right.$ |
| $p^{n}$ | $\langle\sigma\rangle,\left\langle\sigma^{p}, \tau\right\rangle$ |
| $p^{n+1}$ | $\langle\sigma, \tau\rangle$ |

For $1<r<n$ and $a=1, \ldots, p-1$.

## Subgroups of $A\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$

## Lemma

Assume $n$ is large. Then subgroups of $\mathrm{A}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ are of the following form

| Order | Subgroups |
| :--- | :--- |
| $p$ | $\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-2}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle$ |
| $p^{2}$ | $\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle,\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \alpha_{3}\right\rangle,\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle$ |
| $p^{r}$ | $\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-r-1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle$, |
|  | $\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{p^{n-r}}, \alpha_{3}\right\rangle,\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{p^{n-r}}, \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle,\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-r}} \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{1}^{a_{2} p^{n-r}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle$ |
|  | $\left\langle\alpha_{1}^{p^{n-r+1}}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}\right\rangle$ |

for some $a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, r$.

## Regular Subgroups of Holomorph

- The holomorph of a group $N$ by

$$
\operatorname{Hol}(N) \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} N \rtimes \operatorname{Aut}(N)=\{\eta \alpha \mid \eta \in N, \alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}(N)\},
$$

and $\Theta: \operatorname{Hol}(N) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(N)$ natural projection.

- For $u, v \in N$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \operatorname{Aut}(N)$ write

$$
(u \alpha)(v \beta)=u v^{\alpha} \alpha \beta=u(\alpha \cdot v) \alpha \beta .
$$

- Regular subgroups $H$ with $|\Theta(H)|=m$ are of the form

$$
H=\left\langle\eta_{1}, \ldots, \eta_{r}, v_{1} \alpha_{1}, \ldots, v_{s} \alpha_{s}\right\rangle
$$

for some $v_{1}, \ldots, v_{s} \in N$, if such elements exist.

- Let $H_{1}=\left\langle\eta_{1}, \ldots, \eta_{r}\right\rangle \subseteq N$, and $H_{2}=\left\langle\alpha_{1}, \ldots, \alpha_{s}\right\rangle \subseteq \operatorname{Aut}(N)$, where $\left|H_{1}\right|=\frac{|H|}{m}$ and $\left|H_{2}\right|=m$.


## Generalities of $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$

- We need to check the "words" and "relations" of

$$
H_{2}=\left\langle\alpha_{1}, \ldots, \alpha_{s}\right\rangle
$$

- For every relation $R\left(\alpha_{1}, \ldots, \alpha_{s}\right)=1$ on $H_{2}$, we need

$$
R\left(v_{1} \alpha_{1}, \ldots, v_{s} \alpha_{s}\right) \in H_{1}
$$

for $|H|=|N|$.

- For every word $W\left(\alpha_{1}, \ldots, \alpha_{s}\right) \neq 1$ on $H_{2}$, we need

$$
W\left(v_{1} \alpha_{1}, \ldots, v_{s} \alpha_{s}\right) W\left(\alpha_{1}, \ldots, \alpha_{s}\right)^{-1} \notin H_{1}
$$

for $H$ to act freely.

## More Generalities of $\operatorname{Hol}(N)$

For example, let $r_{i}=\operatorname{Ord}\left(\alpha_{i}\right)$ and consider regular subgroup

$$
H=\left\langle\eta_{1}, \ldots, \eta_{r}, v_{1} \alpha_{1}, \ldots, v_{s} \alpha_{s}\right\rangle
$$

Then some of the conditions are of the following form

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(v_{i} \alpha_{i}\right)^{r_{i}} & =v_{i} \alpha_{i} \cdot v_{i} \cdots \alpha_{i}^{r_{i}-1} \cdot v_{i} \alpha_{i}^{r_{i}} \\
& =v_{i} \alpha_{i} \cdot v_{i} \cdots \alpha_{i}^{r_{i}-1} \cdot v_{i} \in H_{1} \text { and } \\
\left(v_{i} \alpha_{i}\right)^{s} \alpha^{-s} & =v_{i} \alpha_{i} \cdot v_{i} \cdots \alpha_{i}^{s-1} \cdot v_{i} \notin H_{1}, \text { for } 0<s<r_{i}, \\
\left(v_{i} \alpha_{i}\right)\left(\eta_{j}\right)\left(v_{i} \alpha_{i}\right)^{-1} & =v_{i}\left(\alpha_{i} \cdot \eta_{j}\right) v_{i}^{-1} \in H_{1} \text { for all } i, j .
\end{aligned}
$$

If $H$ and $\widetilde{H}$ are conjugate by an element of $\beta \in \operatorname{Aut}(N)$, then $\beta\left(H_{1}\right) \subseteq \widetilde{H}_{1}$ and $\beta H_{2} \beta^{-1} \subseteq \widetilde{H}_{2}$, more precisely,

$$
\beta H \beta^{-1}=\left\langle\eta_{1}^{\beta}, \ldots, \eta_{r}^{\beta}, v_{1}^{\beta} \beta \alpha_{1} \beta^{-1}, \ldots, v_{s}^{\beta} \beta \alpha_{s} \beta^{-1}\right\rangle \subseteq \widetilde{H}
$$

so can consider subgroups of $N$ up to automorphisms.

## Regular Elements of $\operatorname{Hol}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$

Regular subgroups of $\operatorname{Hol}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ are contained in

$$
\begin{gathered}
M_{\epsilon} \rtimes A\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)=\left\langle\sigma, \tau, \alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}\right\rangle \\
\alpha_{1} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left[\begin{array}{cc}
p+1 & 0 \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right], \alpha_{2} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
1 & 1
\end{array}\right], \alpha_{3} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left[\begin{array}{cc}
1 & p^{n-1} \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right] .
\end{gathered}
$$

## Lemma

Let $g=v \alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}$ for natural numbers $a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, r$, and an element $v=\sigma^{v_{1}} \tau^{v_{2}} \in M_{\epsilon}$. Then we have

$$
g^{r}=\sigma^{k_{r} r p^{n-1}+v_{1} \sum_{j=1}^{r-1}(p+1)^{a_{1} j}-1} v^{r} \tau^{\frac{1}{2} r(r-1) a_{2} v_{1}}\left(\alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right)^{r}
$$

for some integer $k_{r}$. In particular,

$$
g^{p^{r}}=\sigma^{b_{r} v_{1} p^{r+1}+v_{1} p^{r}} \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{r}} \text { for some integer } b_{r} .
$$

Thus if $g$ is regular, its order "depends" on $v_{1}$.

## Regular Subgroups of $\operatorname{Hol}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$

## Proposition

Let $G \subset \operatorname{Hol}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$ be a regular subgroups different from $M_{\epsilon}$. Let $H_{1}=G \cap M_{\epsilon}=\langle u, v\rangle$ and $H_{2}=\Theta(G) \subseteq \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$. The following holds.
(1) If $\sigma \tau^{d} \in H_{1}$, for some $d$, then $|\Theta(G)|=p$.
(2) If $\sigma \notin H_{1}$, then $\sigma^{p^{r}} \in H_{1}$ for some $r<n$.
(3) If $\sigma^{d} \tau \in H_{1}$, for some $d$, then $H_{2}$ must have one generator.
(1) The subgroup $G$ is generated by two elements, and it cannot be outside of the forms

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left\langle\sigma \tau^{d}, \tau^{w_{2}} \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-2}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle,\left\langle\sigma^{d} \tau, \sigma^{w_{1}} \alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle x \alpha_{1}^{a_{1}}, y \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle,\left\langle x \alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}, y \alpha_{1}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

for some $a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, d, w_{1}, w_{2}$, and $x, y \in M_{\epsilon}$.

## Skew Braces of Type $M_{\epsilon}$

In order to find the non-isomorphic skew braces we need a general conjugation formula.

## Theorem

Let $g=v \alpha_{1}^{a_{1}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}$ for natural numbers $a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, r$, and an element $v=\sigma^{v_{1}} \tau^{v_{2}} \in M_{\epsilon}$. Take $\alpha=\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}} \beta \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)$. Then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \alpha g^{r} \alpha^{-1}=\sigma^{k_{r} r p^{n-1}+b_{1} v_{1} \sum_{j=1}^{r-1}(p+1)^{a_{1} j}-1}(\alpha \cdot v)^{r} \tau^{\frac{1}{2} r(r-1) a_{2} b_{1} v_{1}} \\
& \alpha_{1}^{a_{2} r_{3} b_{1}^{-1} b_{4}^{\epsilon} r p^{n-2}+a_{2} \frac{1}{2}\left(b_{1}^{-1}-1\right) r p^{m-1}-a_{3} b_{3} b_{4}^{\epsilon} r p^{n-2}+\frac{1}{2} a_{2} a_{3} r(r-1) p^{n-2}} \\
& \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} r} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2} b_{1}^{-1} b_{4}^{\epsilon} r} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3} b_{1} b_{4}^{-\epsilon} r}
\end{aligned}
$$

for some integer $k_{r}$.

## Skew Braces of Type $M_{\epsilon}$ and Corresponding HGS

Now using the Proposition and Theorem in the previous two slides go through all relevant regular subgroups according to $|\Theta(G)|=p^{r}$. For each $r=1, \ldots, n$ :
(1) Classify regular subgroups
(2) Find skew braces using conjugation formula
(3) Determine automorphism groups of skew braces
(1) Count Hopf-Galois structures as parametrised by skew braces

## Example $|\Theta(G)|=p$

## Proposition

For $|\Theta(G)|=p$ there are exactly $5 p-7 M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$ type and $5 M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$ type. Furthermore, we have 5 $M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$ type and $3 M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$ type. I.e., Write $\widetilde{e}(G, N, p)$, the number of skew braces with $|\Theta(G)|=p$. Then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \widetilde{e}\left(M_{0}, M_{0}, p\right)=5 p-7, \\
& \widetilde{e}\left(M_{1}, M_{0}, p\right)=5, \\
& \widetilde{e}\left(M_{0}, M_{1}, p\right)=5 \\
& \widetilde{e}\left(M_{1}, M_{1}, p\right)=3
\end{aligned}
$$

## Skew Braces of $M_{0}$-type

 automorphism groups of $M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$ type$$
\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{1} \equiv 1 \quad \bmod p\right\} \\
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0\right\} \text { for } a_{3} \neq 0,1 \\
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{2}^{t} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{\widetilde{r}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{1} \equiv \pm 1 \bmod p\right\} \text { for } a_{3} \neq 1, t=1, \delta \\
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\sigma, \tau \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-2}}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0\right\} \text { for } a_{1} \neq-1,0 \\
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\sigma, \tau \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-2}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0, b_{1}=1 \quad \bmod p\right\} \text { for } a_{1} \neq-1
\end{aligned}
$$

automorphism groups $M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$ type

$$
\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0\right\} \\
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{2}^{t} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{\widetilde{r}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{1} \equiv \pm 1 \quad \bmod p\right\} \text { for } t=1, \delta \\
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\sigma, \tau \alpha_{1}^{\left.-p^{n-2}\right\rangle}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\alpha_{3}^{\left.\left.r_{3}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0\right\}}\right. \\
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\sigma, \tau \alpha_{1}^{-p^{n-2}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\alpha_{3}^{\left.\left.r_{3}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & 1
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{0}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0, b_{1} \equiv 1 \quad \bmod p\right\}}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

## Skew Braces of $M_{1}$-type

automorphism groups of $M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$ type

$$
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right)=\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & b_{4}
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{1}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0, b_{4}=1\right\}
$$

$$
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{2}^{t} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right)=\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{\tilde{r}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & b_{4}
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{1}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{1}^{2}=b_{4} \equiv 1 \quad \bmod p\right\} \text { for } t=1, \delta
$$

$$
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\sigma, \tau \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}\right\rangle\right)=\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & b_{4}
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{1}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0, b_{4}=1\right\}
$$

$\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B}_{r}}\left(\left\langle\sigma, \tau \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right)=\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}b_{1} & 0 \\ b_{3} & b_{4}\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{1}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0, b_{1}=b_{4} \equiv 1 \quad \bmod p\right\}$ automorphism groups of $M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$ type

$$
\left.\left.\begin{array}{rl}
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & b_{4}
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{1}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{1} \equiv 1\right. \\
\bmod p
\end{array}\right\} \begin{array}{rl}
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{2}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{\tilde{r}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & b_{4}
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{1}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{1}^{2}=b_{4}\right. \\
\bmod p
\end{array}\right\}, \begin{array}{lll}
\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(\left\langle\sigma, \tau \alpha_{3}\right\rangle\right) & =\left\{\left.\alpha_{3}^{r_{3}}\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b_{1} & 0 \\
b_{3} & b_{4}
\end{array}\right] \in \operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{1}\right) \right\rvert\, b_{3}=0, b_{1} \equiv b_{4}^{2}\right. & \bmod p\}
\end{array}
$$

for some known $\widetilde{r}$.

## Corresponding Hopf-Galois Structures

## Theorem

Write e $(G, N, p)$, the number of Hopf-Galois structures with $|\Theta(G)|=p$. Then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& e\left(M_{0}, M_{0}, p\right)=2 p^{3}-2 p^{2}-p-1, \\
& e\left(M_{1}, M_{0}, p\right)=2(p-1) p^{2}, \\
& e\left(M_{0}, M_{1}, p\right)=2 p^{2}, \\
& e\left(M_{1}, M_{1}, p\right)=(2 p+1)(p-1) .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Proof.

Follows by using

$$
e(G, N, p)=\sum_{B_{G, p}^{N}} \frac{|\operatorname{Aut}(G)|}{\left|\operatorname{Aut}_{\mathcal{B} r}\left(B_{G, p}^{N}\right)\right|}
$$

and $\left|\operatorname{Aut}\left(M_{\epsilon}\right)\right|=(p-1)^{\epsilon+1} p^{n+1}$.

## Example $|\Theta(G)|=p^{2}$

## Proposition

For $|\Theta(G)|=p$ there are exactly $p^{3}+3 p^{2}-7 p+6 M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$ type and $p^{2}+5 p-5 M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$ type. Furthermore, we have $p^{2}+5 p-6 M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$ type and $p+8 M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$ type.

## $M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$-type for $|\Theta(G)|=p^{2}$

For $\epsilon=0$ we have $M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$-type given as

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle, a_{3} \neq 1 \\
& \left\langle\sigma^{p} \tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle, a_{3} \neq 1-a_{1}, a_{1}=1, \ldots, p-1 \\
& \left\langle\tau^{-1} \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma \tau \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, \\
& \left\langle\tau^{u_{2}} \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{v_{1}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, u_{2}, u_{2}-u_{2} v_{1}-v_{1}, u_{2}+v_{1} \neq 0 \\
& \left\langle\sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{t_{1}} \tau^{t_{2}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, t_{2}, t_{1}-t_{2} \neq 0, \\
& \left\langle\tau^{u_{2}} \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{s} \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle, a_{3} \neq\left(1+u_{2}^{-1}\right) s
\end{aligned}
$$

## $M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$-type for $|\Theta(G)|=p^{2}$

For $\epsilon=0$ we have $M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{0}$-type given as

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\sigma^{p} \tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{a_{1} p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{1-a_{1}}\right\rangle, a_{1}=1, \ldots, p-1 \\
& \left\langle\tau^{u_{2}} \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{-u_{2}} \tau \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, u_{2} \neq-1,0 \\
& \left\langle\tau^{u_{2}} \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{u_{2}\left(1+u_{2}\right)^{-1}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, u_{2} \neq-2,-1,0 \\
& \left\langle\sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{t_{1}} \tau^{t_{1}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, t_{1} \neq 0 \\
& \left\langle\tau^{u_{2}} \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{s} \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}^{\left(1+u_{2}^{-1}\right) s}\right\rangle, u_{2} \neq 0
\end{aligned}
$$

## $M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$-type for $|\Theta(G)|=p^{2}$

For $\epsilon=1$ we have $M_{0}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$-type given as

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle, a_{3} \neq 0 \\
& \left\langle\sigma^{p} \tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle, a_{3} \neq-1 \\
& \left\langle\tau \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{t_{1}} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, t_{1} \neq 1, \\
& \left\langle\sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{ \pm t_{1}} \tau^{s} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle, t_{1} \neq 0 \\
& \left\langle\tau \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{s} \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}^{a_{3}}\right\rangle, a_{3} \neq s, s=1, \delta
\end{aligned}
$$

## $M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$-type for $|\Theta(G)|=p^{2}$

For $\epsilon=1$ we have $M_{1}$-skew braces of $M_{1}$-type given as

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\sigma^{p} \tau, \sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-3}} \alpha_{2}^{a_{2}} \alpha_{3}^{-1}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\tau \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{-1} \tau \alpha_{3}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\tau \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma \alpha_{3}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\sigma \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \tau^{s} \alpha_{3}\right\rangle \\
& \left\langle\tau \alpha_{1}^{p^{n-2}}, \sigma^{s} \alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}^{s}\right\rangle, s=1, \delta
\end{aligned}
$$

## Concluding Remarks

- The case for $r>2$ are work in progress.
- The main ingredient for calculations is encapsulated by the conjugation formula for $\alpha g^{r} \alpha^{-1}$.
- Remains to check that if $M_{\epsilon} \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Hol}(G)$ is a regular embedding, for some $G$, then $G \cong M_{0}$ or $M_{1}$ ?
- In the above setting $G$ must have at least two generators.
- Ideas can extend to a larger project on metacyclic $p$-groups.


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## A Brief On $\mathbb{F}_{p}$-Braces and pre-Lie Algebras

- This concerns braces with additive group $C_{p}^{n}$ or the holomorph of $C_{p}^{n}$
- We have
$m:(A, \circ) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Hol}\left(C_{p}^{n}\right) \cong C_{p}^{n} \rtimes \mathrm{GL}_{n}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right), a \longmapsto\left(m_{a}: b \longmapsto a \circ b\right)$
- The image of $G$ under the natural projection to $\mathrm{GL}_{n}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$ lies in a $p$-Sylow subgroup of $\mathrm{GL}_{n}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$
- We can assume that ( $A, \circ$ ), under $m$ followed by natural projection, is contained in the following $p$-Sylow subgroup of $\mathrm{GL}_{n}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)$ which we defined inductively by $S_{1}=\{1\}$ and

$$
S_{n}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)=\left\{\left.\left(\begin{array}{cc}
A & v \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right) \right\rvert\, A \in S_{n-1}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right), v \in \mathbb{F}_{p}^{n-1}\right\}
$$

## Half-Backed ideas and Examples

- Note we can embed $S_{n}$ into $S_{n+1}$ by

$$
\left(\begin{array}{cc}
A & v \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right) \longmapsto\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
A & v & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right)
$$

and embed $C_{p}^{n}$ into $C_{p}^{n+1}$ by $u \longmapsto\binom{u}{0}$.

- Find an embedding of $\mathcal{A}_{n}$ into $\mathcal{A}_{n+1}$ as follows.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A}_{n}=C_{p}^{n} \rtimes S_{n}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) & \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}_{n+1}=C_{p}^{n+1} \rtimes S_{n+1}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right) \\
\binom{u_{1}}{u_{2}}\left(\begin{array}{cc}
A & v \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right) & \longmapsto\left(\begin{array}{c}
u_{1} \\
u_{2} \\
0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
A & v & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

- This allows to lift braces of type $C_{p}^{n}$ to $C_{p}^{n+1}$.


## Regular Subgroups of $\mathcal{A}_{n}$

- Present the regular subgroup $G$ as

$$
\begin{gathered}
G=\left\langle e_{1}, \ldots, e_{r}, v_{1} A_{1}, \ldots, v_{s} A_{s}\right\rangle \text { where } C_{p}^{n}=\left\langle e_{1}, \ldots, e_{r}, v_{1}, \ldots, v_{s}\right\rangle \\
\left\langle A_{1}, \ldots, A_{s}\right\rangle\left(\left\langle e_{1}, \ldots, e_{r}\right\rangle\right) \subseteq\left\langle e_{1}, \ldots, e_{r}\right\rangle \text { for some } A_{i} \in S_{n}\left(\mathbb{F}_{p}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

- Now if $a=a_{1} e_{1}+\cdots a_{n} e_{n}$ and $b=b_{1} e_{1}+\cdots b_{n} e_{n} \in C_{p}^{n}$, then

$$
a=\left(a_{1} e_{1}+\cdots+a_{n} e_{n}\right) A_{1}^{\eta_{1}} \cdots A_{s}^{\eta_{s}}(0)
$$

where $\eta_{i}$ are (linear or quadratic) functions of $a_{i}$ for $i=r+1, \ldots, n$

- Say for $\alpha_{i j}$ functions of $a_{i}$ for $i=r+1, \ldots, n$

$$
A_{1}^{\eta_{1}} \cdots A_{s}^{\eta_{s}}=\left(\begin{array}{cccccc}
1 & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} & \alpha_{14} & \cdots & \alpha_{1 n} \\
0 & 1 & \alpha_{23} & \alpha_{24} & \cdots & \alpha_{2 n} \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \alpha_{34} & \cdots & \alpha_{3 n} \\
\vdots & & & & & \cdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \alpha_{n-1, n}
\end{array}\right)
$$

- Some of these ideas are present in L. Childs 2005 (Elementary abelian...)


## Multiplication Operation Formula

- Then

$$
a \circ b=a+A_{1}^{\eta_{1}} \cdots A_{s}^{\eta_{s}}(b),
$$

therefore,

$$
\begin{aligned}
a * b & =a \circ b-a-b=A_{1}^{\eta_{1}} \cdots A_{s}^{\eta_{s}} b-b=A\left(a_{i}\right) b \\
& =\left(\begin{array}{cccccc}
0 & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} & \alpha_{14} & \cdots & \alpha_{1 n} \\
0 & 0 & \alpha_{23} & \alpha_{24} & \cdots & \alpha_{2 n} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha_{34} & \cdots & \alpha_{3 n} \\
\vdots & & & & \cdots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \alpha_{n-1, n} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{c}
b_{1} \\
b_{2} \\
b_{3} \\
\vdots \\
b_{n-1} \\
b_{n}
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

- In particular we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& a *(b * c)=A\left(a_{i}\right) A\left(b_{i}\right) c \\
& (a * b) * c=A\left((a * b)_{i}\right) c=A\left(\left(A\left(a_{i}\right) b\right)_{i}\right) c
\end{aligned}
$$

## Pre-Lie Algebra Operation

Note that we would find

$$
\begin{aligned}
a \odot b & =-\sum_{i=0}^{p-2} \frac{1}{2^{i}}\left(\left(2^{i} a\right) * b\right) \\
& =\left(\begin{array}{cccccc}
0 & \beta_{12} & \beta_{13} & \beta_{14} & \cdots & \beta_{1 n} \\
0 & 0 & \beta_{23} & \beta_{24} & \cdots & \beta_{2 n} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{34} & \cdots & \beta_{3 n} \\
\vdots & & & & \cdots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \beta_{n-1, n} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{c}
b_{1} \\
b_{2} \\
b_{3} \\
\vdots \\
b_{n-1} \\
b_{n}
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

for some $\beta_{i j}=\beta_{i j}\left(a_{i}\right)$ are linear or quadratic functions of $a_{i}$

## Examples for $p^{3}$

Braces with additive group $C_{p}^{3}$ can be recovered from Childs 2005, computed explicitly by Bachiller 2015, verified by Nejabati Zenouz 2017. We used then to compute pre-Lie algebras as follows
regular subgroups $\longrightarrow$ braces $\circ, * \longrightarrow$ pre-Lie Algebra $\odot$

$$
a \odot b=0=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right) b
$$

$a \odot b=a_{3} b_{3} e_{2}=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right) b$ deg 3 induced by $\left\langle e_{1}, e_{2}, e_{3} A_{2}\right\rangle \cong C_{p}^{3}$
$a \odot b=a_{3} b_{2} e_{1}=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}0 & 0 & a_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right) b$, deg 3 induced by $\left\langle e_{1}, e_{2}, e_{3} A_{3}\right\rangle \cong M_{1}$
$a \odot b=a_{3} b_{2} e_{1}+a_{3} b_{3} e_{2}-\frac{a_{3} b_{3}}{2} e_{1}=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}0 & a_{3} & -\frac{a_{3}}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right) b, \operatorname{deg} 4$
induced by $\left\langle e_{1}, e_{2}, e_{3} A_{2} A_{3}\right\rangle \cong M_{1}$

## Examples for $p^{3}$

$\left.a \odot b=\left(a_{2}-\frac{a_{3} t_{2}}{s}\right) b_{2} e_{1}+\frac{a_{3} b_{3}}{s} e_{1}=\left(\begin{array}{cc}0 & \left(a_{2}-\frac{a_{3} t_{2}}{s}\right. \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0\end{array}\right) \frac{a_{3} b_{3}}{s}\right) b, \operatorname{deg} 3$
for $t_{2}=0, \ldots, \frac{1}{2}(p-1)$, induced by $\left\langle e_{1},\left(t_{2} e_{2}+s e_{3}\right) A_{1}, e_{2} A_{3}\right\rangle$
$a \odot b=\frac{1}{2 t_{3}}\left(2 a_{3} b_{2} \gamma_{3}+2 a_{2} b_{3} t_{3}-a_{3} b_{3} \gamma_{2}\left(\gamma_{3}-t_{3}\right)\right) e_{1}+\frac{a_{3} b_{3} \gamma_{2}}{t_{3}} e_{2}$
$=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}0 & \frac{a_{3} \gamma_{3}}{t_{3}} & \frac{1}{2 t_{3}}\left(2 a_{2} t_{3}-a_{3} \gamma_{2}\left(\gamma_{3}-t_{3}\right)\right) \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{a_{3} \gamma_{2}}{t_{3}} \\ 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right) b, \operatorname{deg} 4$
for $\left(\gamma_{2}, \gamma_{3}\right)=(1,1), t_{3}=1, \ldots, p-1$,
and $\left(\gamma_{2}, \gamma_{3}\right)=(1,0), t_{3}=1$
induced by $\left\langle e_{1}, e_{2} A_{1}, t_{3} e_{3} A_{2}^{\gamma_{2}} A_{3}^{\gamma_{3}}\right\rangle$
$a \odot b=\left(a_{2} b_{3}-a_{3} b_{2}\right) e_{1}=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}0 & -a_{3} & a_{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right) b, \operatorname{deg} 3$
induced by $\left\langle e_{1}, e_{2} A_{1},-e_{3} A_{3}\right\rangle$

## Questions: Future work

(1) Is it true that $A^{n+1}=A^{(n+1)}=A^{[n+1]}=0$ ?
(2) We have $\left\langle e_{1}, \ldots, e_{r}\right\rangle * A=0$ ?
(0) If $*$ is not trivial, then $A^{[2]} \neq 0$ ?
(1) What is the relationship between the sequences $A^{i+1}=A^{i} * A$ and $A^{(i+1)}=A * A^{i}$ and $s$ ?

- Important question: can we prove that $s<n$ ?
- If the product $\alpha_{12} \alpha_{23} \alpha_{34} \cdots \alpha_{n-1, n} \neq 0$, then $A^{(n)}$ has size $p$ and $A$ has 1 generator?
© If the $s=n-1$, then $A^{n}$ has size $p$ and $A$ has 1 generator?
(0) If $\alpha_{12} \alpha_{23} \alpha_{34} \cdots \alpha_{n-1, n}=0$ and $s<n-1$, then $A^{[n]}=0$ and $A$ has more than 1 generator?
- Information about the socle can be obtained from the matrix $B$, can we show that $e_{1}$ is always in the socle?
(1) Braces with additive group $C_{p}^{4}$ joint work with Puljic Smoktunowicz.

Thank you for your attention!


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