

# Modular adjacency algebras, standard representations, and $p$ -ranks of cyclotomic association schemes

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## Abstract

In this paper, we consider cyclotomic association schemes  $S = \text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ . We focus on the adjacency algebra of  $S$  over algebraically closed fields  $K$  of characteristic  $p$ . If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ ,  $p \equiv -1 \pmod{d}$ , or  $d \in \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ , we identify the adjacency algebra of  $S$  over  $K$  as a quotient of a polynomial ring over an admissible ideal. In several cases, we determine the indecomposable direct sum decomposition of the standard module of  $S$ . As a consequence, we are able to compute the  $p$ -rank of several specific elements of the adjacency algebra of  $S$  over  $K$ .

## 1 Introduction

Two association schemes are said to be *algebraically isomorphic* if the intersection numbers coincide. In this case, their algebraic properties are the same but combinatorial properties are not, in general. For example, distance-regular graphs with the same intersection array give algebraically isomorphic association schemes. In general, it is not so easy to distinguish them. In some papers, for example [3, 7, 9, 10], it was shown that  $p$ -ranks, ranks of matrices over a field of characteristic  $p$ , of adjacency matrices can distinguish algebraically isomorphic association schemes for some examples. In [7], Yoshikawa and the author considered the structure of adjacency algebras and standard modules (representations) over a field of characteristic  $p$  and relation with the  $p$ -ranks. Structures of modular adjacency algebras were studied in [11, 12, 13].

In this paper, we consider the adjacency algebra and representations of the cyclotomic (association) scheme  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  over a field of characteristic  $p$ . We will give an effective method to determine the structure of the adjacency algebra (Theorem 3.4). In general, the structure seems to be complicated. So we will give concrete structures for some special cases :  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$  (Theorem 3.7),  $p \equiv -1 \pmod{d}$  (Theorem 3.8),

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and  $d = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$  (theorems in Subsection 3.4). We will describe the algebra as a quotient of a polynomial ring by an admissible ideal. Also we determine the structures of standard modules for the case  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$  (Theorem 4.2) and  $d = 3$  (Theorem 4.6). We will determine the indecomposable direct sum decomposition of the module. For these cases, we also determine the  $p$ -ranks of some matrices (Corollaries 4.4 and 4.7) and compare them with some algebraically isomorphic association schemes (Examples 4.5, 4.8, and 4.9).

A cyclotomic scheme is defined by the action of a subgroup  $G$  of the affine group  $\text{AGL}(1, p^a)$ . The standard module is a  $G$ -module and its  $G$ -submodules are linear codes invariant under  $G$ . Linear codes invariant under  $\text{AGL}(1, p^a)$  were classified in [8].

## 2 Preliminaries

### 2.1 Association schemes and adjacency algebras

Following the book [1] or [14], we will define association schemes and adjacency algebras.

Let  $X$  be a finite set. For  $s \subset X \times X$ , we define a matrix  $\sigma_s$  whose rows and columns are indexed by the set  $X$  and the  $(x, y)$ -entry of  $\sigma_s$  is 1 if  $(x, y) \in s$  and 0 otherwise. We call  $\sigma_s$  the *adjacency matrix* of  $s$ . Let  $X \times X = \bigcup_{s \in S} s$  be a partition. We call the pair  $(X, S)$  an *association scheme* if the following three conditions hold :

- (1) The diagonal relation  $\{(x, x) \mid x \in X\}$  is in  $S$ , we denote it by 1.
- (2) For every  $s \in S$ , the transposition  $\{(y, x) \mid (x, y) \in s\}$  is in  $S$ , we denote it by  $s^*$ .
- (3) For all  $s, t, u \in S$ , there are non-negative integers  $p_{st}^u$  such that  $\sigma_s \sigma_t = \sum_{u \in S} p_{st}^u \sigma_u$ , where the product is the usual matrix product.

The number  $p_{st}^u$  in the condition (3) is called an *intersection number*. For  $s \in S$ , we call  $n_s = p_{ss^*}^1$  the *valency* of  $s$ . Two association schemes  $(X, S)$  and  $(X', S')$  are *isomorphic* if there are bijections  $\varphi : X \rightarrow X'$  and  $\psi : S \rightarrow S'$  such that  $(x, y) \in s$  if and only if  $(\varphi(x), \varphi(y)) \in \psi(s)$ . They are *algebraically isomorphic* if there is a bijection  $\psi : S \rightarrow S'$  such that  $p_{st}^u = p_{\psi(s)\psi(t)}^{\psi(u)}$  for all  $s, t, u \in S$ .

Let  $K$  be a field. We regard  $\sigma_s$  ( $s \in S$ ) as matrices over  $K$ . Then, by the condition (3), we can define a  $K$ -algebra  $KS = \bigoplus_{s \in S} K\sigma_s$  of dimension  $|S|$ . We call the algebra  $KS$  the *adjacency algebra* of  $(X, S)$  over  $K$ . We regard  $KS$  as a subalgebra of the full matrix algebra  $\text{Mat}_X(K)$ .

Let  $KX$  be the  $K$ -vector space with basis  $X$ . Since we regard  $KS$  as a subalgebra of  $\text{Mat}_X(K)$ , we can see that  $KX$  is a right  $KS$ -module. We call this module the *standard  $KS$ -module*. The corresponding representation is  $KS \rightarrow \text{Mat}_X(K)$  ( $\sigma_s \mapsto \sigma_s$ ), and we call this the *standard representation* of  $(X, S)$  over  $K$ .

## 2.2 Schurian (association) schemes

Let  $G$  be a finite transitive permutation group on a finite set  $X$ . Then  $G$  also acts on  $X \times X$  diagonally. The set  $S$  of orbits of  $G$  on  $X \times X$  define a partition of  $X \times X$ . It is known that  $(X, S)$  becomes an association scheme [1, II, Example 2.1]. An association scheme obtained in this way is said to be *schurian*. For  $x \in X$ , let  $H = G_x$  be the stabilizer of  $x$  in  $G$ . Then we can identify  $X$  with  $H \backslash G$ . So we can say that a schurian scheme is obtained by a finite group and its subgroup. We denote it by  $\mathfrak{X}(G, H)$ .

For a schurian scheme, the adjacency algebra is understood by the following way. Let  $T$  be the permutation representation of  $G$  over a field  $K$ . Then the adjacency algebra is just the centralizer algebra  $\{A \in \text{Mat}_X(K) \mid AT(g) = T(g)A \text{ for any } g \in G\}$ .

Let  $N$  be a finite group, and let  $H$  be a subgroup of the automorphism group of  $N$ . We can define the semidirect product  $N \rtimes H$ . We consider the schurian scheme  $(X, S) = \mathfrak{X}(N \rtimes H, H)$ . For this case,  $N$  is a regular normal subgroup of  $N \rtimes H$  and we can apply [1, II, Theorem 6.1]. Let  $K$  be a field. The group  $H$  also acts on the group algebra  $KN$ . By [1, II, Theorem 6.1], the adjacency algebra is just the ring of fixed points  $(KN)^H = \{\alpha \in KN \mid \alpha^h = \alpha \text{ for any } h \in H\}$ , where we regard  $KN$  as a subalgebra of  $\text{Mat}_N(K)$  by a regular permutation representation. Since  $(KN)^H \subset KN$ ,  $KN$  becomes a right  $(KN)^H$ -module. This is just the standard module of the scheme  $\mathfrak{X}(N \rtimes H, H)$ .

## 2.3 Cyclotomic (association) schemes

Let  $p$  be a prime number. We denote the finite field of  $p^a$  elements by  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}$ . The multiplicative group  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}^\times = \mathbb{F}_{p^a} \setminus \{0\}$  is a cyclic group of order  $p^a - 1$ . We fix a primitive element  $\zeta$  of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}$  (a generator of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}^\times$ ). Let  $N$  be an elementary abelian group of order  $p^a$  and fix a group isomorphism  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a} \rightarrow N$  ( $\alpha \mapsto [\alpha]$ ). Let  $H = \langle h_0 \rangle$  be a cyclic group of order  $p^a - 1$  and define the action of  $H$  on  $N$  by  $[\alpha]^{h_0} = [\zeta\alpha]$ . Let  $d$  be a divisor of  $p^a - 1$ . There is a unique subgroup  $H_d = \langle h_0^d \rangle$  of  $H$  of index  $d$ . Now we can define a schurian scheme  $\mathfrak{X}(N \rtimes H_d, H_d)$ . We call this the *cyclotomic (association) scheme* and denote it by  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ . For details, see [4].

Adjacency matrices of  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  are obtained as follows. Put  $X_0 = \{0\}$  and  $X_i = \{\zeta^j \mid 0 \leq j < p^a, j \equiv i \pmod{d}\}$  ( $i = 1, \dots, d$ ). Then  $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_d$  are  $H_d$ -orbits of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}$ . Let  $T$  be a regular permutation representation of  $N$ . Then the adjacency matrices are

$$\sigma_i = \sum_{\alpha \in X_i} T(\alpha) \quad (i = 0, 1, \dots, d).$$

We prove one easy lemma here.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $s$  and  $t$  be non-trivial relations of the cyclotomic scheme  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ , and let  $f$  be a polynomial over an arbitrary field  $K$ . The  $f(\sigma_s)$  and  $f(\sigma_t)$  have the same rank over  $K$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $P$  be the permutation matrix on  $N$  defined by the multiplication of  $\zeta$ . Then  $P^{-1}\sigma_i P = \sigma_{i+1}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d-1$  and  $P^{-1}\sigma_d P = \sigma_1$ , where  $\sigma_i$  are defined as above. So the lemma holds.  $\square$

### 3 Adjacency algebras of cyclotomic schemes

Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . In this section, we will give an effective method to determine the structure of the adjacency algebra of a cyclotomic scheme  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  over  $K$ . In general, the structure seems to be complicated. So we will give concrete structures for some special cases in Subsections 3.2, 3.3, and 3.4.

We use notations in Subsection 2.3. First, we will consider the  $KH$ -module structure of  $KN$ . The following facts are well known.

- (1)  $KN$  is a local algebra with the Jacobson radical  $\{\sum_{n \in N} c_n n \mid \sum_{n \in N} c_n = 0\}$ .
- (2) Let  $\{n_1, \dots, n_a\}$  be a set of generators of  $N$ , and put  $x_i = n_i - 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, a$ . Then  $KN = K[x_1, \dots, x_a]$  with relations  $x_i^p = 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, a$ ).

We remark that the group  $H = \langle h_0 \rangle \cong C_{p^a-1}$  is a  $p'$ -group and so  $KH$  is semisimple. Since  $J(KN)$  is fixed by automorphisms, we have

$$KN \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^{a(p-1)} J^{i-1}(KN)/J^i(KN)$$

as a  $KH$ -module. We consider  $J(KN)/J^2(KN)$ . It has basis  $\{\bar{x}_i \mid i = 1, \dots, a\}$ , where  $\bar{x}_i = x_i + J^2(KN)$ . Put  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{F}_{p^a}$  with  $[\alpha_i] = n_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, a$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *We have  $[\sum_{i=1}^a c_i \alpha_i] - [0] \equiv \sum_{i=1}^a c_i x_i \pmod{J^2(KN)}$  for  $c_i \in \mathbb{F}_p$  ( $i = 1, \dots, a$ ).*

*Proof.* Remark that  $[\alpha][\beta] = [\alpha + \beta]$ . So  $[c\alpha] = [\alpha]^c$  for a non-negative integer  $c$ .

We show that  $[c\alpha_i] - [0] \equiv c x_i \pmod{J^2(KN)}$  by induction on  $0 \leq c < p$ . If  $c = 0, 1$ , then this is clear. Suppose  $2 \leq c < p$ . By inductive hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [c\alpha_i] - [0] &= [\alpha_i]^c - [0] = ([\alpha_i] - [0])([\alpha_i]^{c-1} + \dots + [\alpha_i] + [0]) \\ &= x_i(([\alpha_i]^{c-1} - [0]) + \dots + ([\alpha_i] - [0]) + c[0]) \equiv c x_i \pmod{J^2(KN)}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^a c_i \alpha_i \right] &= \prod_{i=1}^a [c_i \alpha_i] \equiv \prod_{i=1}^a (c_i x_i + [0]) \\ &\equiv \sum_{i=1}^a c_i x_i + [0] \pmod{J^2(KN)}. \end{aligned}$$

The assertion holds.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** Recall that  $\zeta$  is a primitive element of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}$  and  $h_0$  is a generator of  $H$ . Put  $\alpha_i \zeta = \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} \alpha_j$  ( $c_{ij} \in \mathbb{F}_p$ ). Namely  $\zeta \mapsto (c_{ij})$  is a regular representation of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Then  $x_i^{h_0} \equiv \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_j \pmod{J^2(KN)}$ . This means that  $J(KN)/J^2(KN)$  is a  $KH$ -module given by the regular representation of  $H \cong \mathbb{F}_{p^a}^\times$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.1, we have  $x_i^{h_0} = [\alpha_i \zeta] - [0] = \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} \alpha_j \right] - [0] \equiv \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_j$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.** There exist  $v_1, \dots, v_a \in J(KN)$  such that the following statements holds.

- (1) The set  $\{v_1^{f_1} \cdots v_a^{f_a} + J^\ell(KN) \mid 0 \leq f_i < p \ (1 \leq i \leq a), \sum_{i=1}^a f_i = \ell\}$  is a basis of  $J^\ell(KN)/J^{\ell+1}(KN)$  for  $\ell = 0, 1, \dots, a(p-1)$ . Hence  $\{v_1^{f_1} \cdots v_a^{f_a} \mid 0 \leq f_i < p \ (1 \leq i \leq a)\}$  is a basis of  $KN$ .
- (2) If  $0 \leq f_i < p$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq a$ , then  $Kv_1^{f_1} \cdots v_a^{f_a}$  is a one-dimensional right  $KH$ -module such that  $(v_1^{f_1} \cdots v_a^{f_a})^{h_0} = \zeta^f v_1^{f_1} \cdots v_a^{f_a}$ , where  $f = \sum_{i=1}^a f_i p^{i-1}$ .

*Proof.* As in Lemma 3.2,  $J(KN)/J^2(KN)$  is an  $KN$ -module given by the regular representation of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^a}^\times$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Define  $C = (c_{ij})$  as in the proof of Lemma 3.2. Since  $\zeta$  is an eigenvalue of  $C$ , their conjugates  $\zeta^p, \zeta^{p^2}, \dots, \zeta^{p^{a-1}}$  are also eigenvalues of  $C$ . Since  $KH$  is semisimple and commutative, we have  $KN \cong KN/J(KN) \oplus J(KN)/J^2(KN) \oplus J^2(KN)$  as a  $KH$ -module and  $J(KN)/J^2(KN)$  is a direct sum of one dimensional submodules. There are  $v_1, \dots, v_a \in J(KN)$  such that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_a\}$  is a  $K$ -basis of  $J(KN)/J^2(KN)$  and  $v_i^{h_0} = \zeta^{p^{i-1}} v_i$ . This shows that (1) holds for  $\ell = 1$ .

Since  $v_i^p = 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, a$ ) and  $v_1, \dots, v_a$  generate  $KN$ , we can see that  $v_i^{p-1} \neq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, a$ ). It is easy to see that the all assertions hold.  $\square$

We use the elements  $v_1, \dots, v_a$  obtained in Lemma 3.3 throughout this paper. We fix one more notation. For  $0 \leq f \leq p^a - 1$ , we can write

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^a f_i p^{i-1}, \quad 0 \leq f_i \leq p-1 \quad (i = 1, \dots, a)$$

uniquely. We put

$$\mathbf{v}^{(f)} = v_1^{f_1} \cdots v_a^{f_a}.$$

Then Lemma 3.3 says that  $\{\mathbf{v}^{(f)} \mid 0 \leq f \leq p^a - 1\}$  is a basis of  $KN$ .

Now we can show the most important theorem in this section.

**Theorem 3.4.** We consider a cyclotomic scheme  $(X, S) = \text{Cyc}(p^a, d) = \mathfrak{X}(N \rtimes H_d, H_d)$ , where  $d \mid p^a - 1$ . Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . Put  $e = (p^a - 1)/d$ . Then  $\{\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mid 0 \leq i \leq d\}$  is a basis of the adjacency algebra  $KS$ . The product  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{(je)}$  is  $\mathbf{v}^{((i+j)e)}$  or 0.

*Proof.* By definition, we know that  $\dim_K KS = |S| = d + 1$ . So it is enough to show that  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}$  is fixed by  $H_d = \langle h_0^d \rangle$ . By Lemma 3.3 (2), we have

$$(\mathbf{v}^{(ie)})^{h_0^d} = \zeta^{ied} \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = \zeta^{i(p^a-1)} \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = \mathbf{v}^{(ie)}.$$

The last statement is clear.  $\square$

We determine the expression  $ie = \sum_{j=1}^a f_j p^{j-1}$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, d$ . For an integer  $m$ , we denote by  $\rho(m)$  the smallest non-negative integer such that  $m \equiv \rho(m) \pmod{d}$ . Put

$$\alpha_m = \frac{\rho(m)p - \rho(mp)}{d}.$$

Obviously  $\alpha_m = \alpha_{m'}$  if  $m \equiv m' \pmod{d}$ .

**Lemma 3.5.** *For every integer  $m$ ,  $\alpha_m$  is a non-negative integer and  $0 \leq \alpha_m < p$ . We have*

$$ie = \sum_{j=1}^a \alpha_{ip^{a-j}} p^{j-1}$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, d-1$ , and for  $i = 0, d$ ,

$$0e = \sum_{j=1}^a 0p^{j-1}, \quad de = \sum_{j=1}^a (p-1)p^{j-1}.$$

*Proof.* By the definition of  $\rho$ ,  $\alpha_m$  is a non-negative integer and  $0 \leq \alpha_m < p$ . The equations for  $i = 0, d$  are trivial. Suppose that  $0 < i < d$ . Remark that  $\rho(i) = i$  and  $p^a \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^a \alpha_{ip^{a-j}} p^{j-1} &= \sum_{j=1}^a \frac{\rho(ip^{a-j})p - \rho(ip^{a-j+1})}{d} p^{j-1} \\ &= \frac{\rho(i)p}{d} p^{a-1} + \sum_{j=1}^{a-1} \frac{\rho(ip^{a-j})p}{d} p^{j-1} - \sum_{j=2}^a \frac{\rho(ip^{a-j+1})}{d} p^{j-1} - \frac{\rho(ip^a)}{d} \\ &= \frac{\rho(i)p^a}{d} - \frac{\rho(ip^a)}{d} = \frac{i(p^a - 1)}{d} = ie. \end{aligned}$$

Now the lemma holds.  $\square$

We remark that  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}\mathbf{v}^{(je)} = \mathbf{v}^{((i+j)e)} \neq 0$  if and only if  $\alpha_{ip^{a-\ell}} + \alpha_{jp^{a-\ell}} < p$  for all  $\ell = 1, \dots, a$  by Lemma 3.5. Easily we can see that  $\mathbf{v}^{(0)}\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \neq 0$ ,  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}\mathbf{v}^{((d-i)e)} = \mathbf{v}^{(de)} \neq 0$ , and  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}\mathbf{v}^{(je)} = 0$  if  $i + j > d$ . By Theorem 3.4, it is easy to determine the structure of the adjacency algebra for a given parameters  $p^a$  and  $d$ . But it seems to be complicated to state the structure in general. So we determine the structure for some special cases.

We denote by  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  the adjacency algebra of  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  over a field  $K$ . We remark that  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  is a commutative local symmetric algebra if the characteristic of  $K$  is  $p$  by [5].

### 3.1 $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ and $K\text{Cyc}(p^b, d)$ are isomorphic

For coprime numbers  $d$  and  $p$ , we denote by  $\text{ord}_d(p)$  the smallest positive integer such that  $p^{\text{ord}_d(p)} \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ . Then  $p^a \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$  if and only if  $\text{ord}_d(p) \mid a$ .

We will show the next theorem.

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . Suppose that  $d \mid p^a - 1$  and  $d \mid p^b - 1$ . Then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d) \cong K\text{Cyc}(p^b, d)$ .*

*Proof.* We may suppose that  $a = \text{ord}_d(p)$  and  $a \mid b$ . Put  $e = (p^a - 1)/d$  and  $e' = (p^b - 1)/d$ . For  $j = 0, 1, \dots, d$ , write

$$je = \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} e_{i,j} p^i, \quad je' = \sum_{i=0}^{b-1} e'_{i,j} p^i,$$

where  $0 \leq e_{i,j}, e'_{i,j} \leq p - 1$ . Then

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{b/a-1} \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} e_{i,j} p^{\ell a + i} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{b/a-1} p^{\ell a} \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} e_{i,j} p^i = \frac{p^b - 1}{p^a - 1} \cdot je = j \cdot \frac{p^b - 1}{p^a - 1} \cdot \frac{p^a - 1}{d} = je'.$$

So

$$e'_{\ell a + i, j} = e_{i,j}$$

for  $0 \leq i \leq a - 1$  and  $0 \leq \ell \leq b/a - 1$  by uniqueness of the expression. Now it is easy to see that  $\mathbf{v}^{(je)} \mapsto \mathbf{v}'^{(je')}$  is an isomorphism, where  $\{\mathbf{v}^{(je)}\}$  and  $\{\mathbf{v}'^{(je')}\}$  are bases of  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  and  $K\text{Cyc}(p^b, d)$ , respectively.  $\square$

By Theorem 3.6, it is enough to consider  $K\text{Cyc}(p^{\text{ord}_d(p)}, d)$  to determine the structure of the adjacency algebra  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ .

**Remark.** In [12], Yoshikawa proved that adjacency algebras of Hamming schemes are isomorphic for some parameters. For this case, intersection numbers (structure constants)  $p_{st}^u$  are congruent modulo  $p$ .

For Theorem 3.6, intersection numbers are not necessarily congruent modulo  $p$ . For example, consider intersection numbers of  $\text{Cyc}(7, 3)$  and  $\text{Cyc}(7^2, 3)$  modulo 7.

### 3.2 $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ with $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . Suppose that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ . Then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d) \cong K[x]/(x^{d+1})$ .*

*Proof.* We may assume that  $a = \text{ord}_d(p) = 1$ . Put  $e = (p - 1)/d$ . Then  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = v_1^{ie}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$  and we have the result.  $\square$

### 3.3 $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ with $p \equiv -1 \pmod{d}$

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . Suppose that  $d \neq 2$  and  $p \equiv -1 \pmod{d}$ . Then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d) \cong K[x_1, \dots, x_{d-1}]/I$ , where  $I$  is the ideal generated by*

$$x_i x_j \quad (i + j \neq d), \quad x_i x_j - x_k x_\ell \quad (i + j = k + \ell = d).$$

*Proof.* We may assume that  $a = \text{ord}_d(p) = 2$ . In Lemma 3.5, put

$$\alpha_i = \frac{ip - (d - i)}{d}$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d - 1$ . Then  $\alpha_i$  is an integer and  $1 \leq \alpha_i \leq p - 1$  by  $p \equiv -1 \pmod{d}$ . Easily we have  $\alpha_i + \alpha_{d-i}p = ie$ , where  $e = (p^2 - 1)/d$ . So  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = v_1^{\alpha_i} v_2^{\alpha_{d-i}}$ . Since  $\alpha_i + \alpha_{d-i} = p - 1$ ,  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{(je)} = 0$  if  $i + j \neq d$  and  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{((d-i)e)} = \mathbf{v}^{(de)} (\neq 0)$ . Comparing the dimensions, we have the result.  $\square$

**Remark.** The cases  $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{d}$  give two extreme structures of  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ . By Theorem 3.4,  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  is determined by  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{(je)}$  ( $0 \leq i, j \leq d$ ). Always  $\mathbf{v}^{(0)} \mathbf{v}^{(je)} = \mathbf{v}^{(je)} \neq 0$ ,  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{((d-i)e)} = \mathbf{v}^{(de)} \neq 0$ , and  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{(je)} = 0$  if  $i + j > d$ . We proved

(1)  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{(je)} \neq 0$  for all  $i + j < d$ , if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ , and

(2)  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mathbf{v}^{(je)} = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1, j \geq 1, i + j < d$ , if  $p \equiv -1 \pmod{d}$ .

Easily we can see that (1) occurs only if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ . But (2) can occur for the other case (for example, see Theorem 3.12).

### 3.4 $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ for $d = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$

In this subsection, we will determine the structure of  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  for  $d = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ . They are not so difficult by Theorems 3.4, 3.6, 3.7, and 3.8.

**Theorem 3.9** (Case  $d = 2$ ). *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . For an odd prime  $p$ , we have  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 2) \cong K[x]/(x^3)$ .*

*Proof.* For this case,  $2 \mid p - 1$ . So we can apply Theorem 3.7.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10** (Case  $d = 3$ ). *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ .*

(1) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 3) \cong K[x]/(x^4)$ .*

(2) *If  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ , then*

$$K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 3) \cong K[x, y]/(x^2, y^2).$$

*Proof.* (1) holds by Theorem 3.7. (2) holds by Theorem 3.8.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.11** (Case  $d = 4$ ). *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ .*

(1) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 4) \cong K[x]/(x^5)$ .*

(2) *If  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then*

$$K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 4) \cong K[x, y, z]/(x^2, y^3, z^2, xz, yz).$$



*Proof.* (1) holds by Theorem 3.7. (2) holds by Theorem 3.8.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12** (Case  $d = 5$ ). *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ .*

(1) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ , then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 5) \cong K[x]/(x^6)$ .*

(2) *If  $p \equiv 2, 3, 4 \pmod{5}$ , then*

$$K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 5) \cong K[x, y, z, u]/(x^2, y^2, z^2, u^2, xy, xz, yu, zu, xu - yz).$$

*Proof.* (1) holds by Theorem 3.7. For the case  $p \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$ , we can apply Theorem 3.8.

Suppose  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$ . We may assume that  $a = \text{ord}_5(p) = 4$ . Put

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{p-2}{5}, \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{2p-4}{5}, \quad \alpha_3 = \frac{3p-1}{5}, \quad \alpha_4 = \frac{4p-3}{5}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} e &= \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 p + \alpha_2 p^2 + \alpha_1 p^3, & 2e &= \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 p + \alpha_4 p^2 + \alpha_2 p^3, \\ 3e &= \alpha_4 + \alpha_2 p + \alpha_1 p^2 + \alpha_3 p^3, & 4e &= \alpha_2 + \alpha_1 p + \alpha_3 p^2 + \alpha_4 p^3. \end{aligned}$$

We can check the relations.

Suppose  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ . We may assume that  $a = \text{ord}_5(p) = 4$ . Put

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{p-3}{5}, \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{2p-1}{5}, \quad \alpha_3 = \frac{3p-4}{5}, \quad \alpha_4 = \frac{4p-2}{5}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} e &= \alpha_2 + \alpha_4 p + \alpha_3 p^2 + \alpha_1 p^3, & 2e &= \alpha_4 + \alpha_3 p + \alpha_1 p^2 + \alpha_2 p^3, \\ 3e &= \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 p + \alpha_4 p^2 + \alpha_3 p^3, & 4e &= \alpha_3 + \alpha_1 p + \alpha_2 p^2 + \alpha_4 p^3. \end{aligned}$$

We can check the relations.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.13** (Case  $d = 6$ ). *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ .*

(1) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ , then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 6) \cong K[x]/(x^7)$ .*

(2) *If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$ , then*

$$K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 6) \cong K[x, y, z, u, v]/I,$$

where  $I$  is an ideal generated by  $x^2, y^2, z^3, u^2, v^2, xy, xz, xu, yz, yv, zu, zv, xv - z^2, yu - z^2$ .

*Proof.* (1) holds by Theorem 3.7. (2) holds by Theorem 3.8.  $\square$

## 4 Standard modules of cyclotomic schemes and $p$ -ranks

In this section, we will consider structures of standard modules and  $p$ -ranks of elements of adjacency algebras. Let  $(X, S) = \text{Cyc}(p^a, d) = \mathfrak{X}(N \rtimes H_d, H_d)$  be a cyclotomic scheme, and let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . We recall that the adjacency algebra is  $KS = (KN)^{H_d}$  and the standard module is  $KX = KN$ . So we want to know  $(KN)^{H_d}$ -module structure of  $KN$ . Also we remark that the adjacency algebra  $KS$  is local. So, if an element of  $KS$  is not in the Jacobson radical, then it is invertible and has full rank. We are interested in elements in the Jacobson radical. The ranks are closely related to the standard module.

Theorem 3.4 gives good information to consider the structure of standard modules. But it is not so easy to determine the structure of the standard module, in general. We restrict our attention only to the cases (1)  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$  and (2)  $d = 3$ .

### 4.1 Case $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$

Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . Suppose that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ . By Theorem 3.7, the adjacency algebra  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  has basis  $\{\mathbf{v}^{(ie)} \mid i = 0, 1, \dots, d\}$ , where  $e = (p^a - 1)/d$ , and the multiplication is  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}\mathbf{v}^{(je)} = \mathbf{v}^{((i+j)e)}$  if  $i + j \leq d$  and 0 otherwise. Also

$$(\mathbf{v}^{(e)})^i = \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = (v_1 v_2 \cdots v_a)^{i(p-1)/d}$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, d$  and  $(\mathbf{v}^{(e)})^{d+1} = 0$ .

**Proposition 4.1.** *We have  $\text{rank}_K \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = (p - i(p-1)/d)^a$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, d$ .*

*Proof.* We can see that  $\text{rank}_K \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = \dim_K (KN)\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}$  and  $(KN)\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}$  has a basis

$$\{v_1^{\ell_1} \cdots v_a^{\ell_a} \mid i(p-1)/d \leq \ell_j \leq p-1 \ (j = 1, \dots, a)\}.$$

So  $\text{rank}_K \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = (p - i(p-1)/d)^a$ . □

We remark that  $\text{rank}_K \mathbf{v}^{(de)} = 1$ .

We determine the structure of the standard module  $KN$ . Since  $KS = (KN)^{H_d} \cong K[x]/(x^{d+1})$ , indecomposable  $KS$ -modules are uniserial of length 1 to  $d+1$  (corresponding to the Jordan normal form of  $\mathbf{v}^{(e)}$ ). We denote them by  $U_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, d+1$ ). Also we denote the multiplicity of  $U_j$  in the standard module  $KN$  by  $m_j$ . Namely

$$KN \cong \bigoplus_{j=1}^{d+1} m_j U_j.$$

Since  $\mathbf{v}^{(ie)}$  has rank  $j - i$  on  $U_j$  ( $j > i$ ), we have

$$\left(p - \frac{i(p-1)}{d}\right)^a = \text{rank}_K \mathbf{v}^{(ie)} = \sum_{j=i+1}^{d+1} (j-i)m_j.$$

The following theorem holds.

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . Suppose  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ . Then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d) \cong K[x]/(x^{d+1})$ . We denote by  $U_j$  the uniserial  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ -module of length  $j$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d+1$ . Then  $KX \cong \bigoplus_{j=1}^{d+1} m_j U_j$ , where the multiplicities  $m_j$  are determined by equations*

$$\left(p - \frac{i(p-1)}{d}\right)^a = \sum_{j=i+1}^{d+1} (j-i)m_j \quad (i = 1, \dots, d).$$

Remark that always  $m_{d+1} = 1$ . If  $a = 1$ , then we can compute all  $m_j$ .

**Corollary 4.3.** *Suppose  $a = 1$  in Theorem 4.2. Then  $m_1 = \dots = m_{d-1} = 0$ ,  $m_d = (p-1)/d - 1$ , and  $m_{d+1} = 1$ .*

*Proof.* We know  $m_{d+1} = 1$ . By  $(p - (d-1)(p-1)/d) = m_d + 2m_{d+1}$ , we have  $m_d = (p-1)/d - 1$ . Then  $dm_d + (d+1)m_{d+1} = p = \dim_K KN$  and so  $m_1 = \dots = m_{d-1} = 0$ .  $\square$

We can determine ranks of adjacency matrices. The  $p$ -rank means the rank of a matrix over a field of characteristic  $p$ .

**Corollary 4.4.** *Let  $(X, S) = \text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$  be a cyclotomic scheme with  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{d}$ . For  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ , the  $p$ -rank of  $(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)^i$  is  $(p - i(p-1)/d)^a$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, d$ .*

*Proof.* We know that  $\{\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1 \mid s \in S \setminus \{1\}\}$  is a basis of the Jacobson radical of  $KS$ , where  $K$  is a field of characteristic  $p$ . So  $\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1 \in J(KS) \setminus J^2(KS)$  for some  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ . Then  $\text{rank}_K(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)^i = \text{rank}_K(\mathbf{v}^{(e)})^i$  ( $i = 0, 1, \dots, d$ ). By Lemma 2.1,  $\text{rank}_K(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)^i = \text{rank}_K(\mathbf{v}^{(e)})^i$  for every  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ .  $\square$

If  $d = 2$  in Corollary 4.4, the result is just [3, Proposition in 4.1]. If  $d = 2$  and  $a = 1$ , then the ranks are the same for all symmetric association schemes algebraically isomorphic to  $\text{Cyc}(p, 2)$  [9, Corollary 3.1].

**Example 4.5** (Association schemes algebraically isomorphic to  $\text{Cyc}(5^2, 2)$ ). There are 8 isomorphism classes of association schemes algebraically isomorphic to  $\text{Cyc}(5^2, 2)$  (order 25, No. 4 to 11 in the list [6]). Let  $(X, S)$  be one of them. Set  $w = \sigma_s - 12\sigma_1$  for some  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ . Then  $\text{rank}(w) = 12$  for No. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,  $\text{rank}(w) = 11$  for No. 9, 10, and  $\text{rank}(w) = 9$  for No. 11. By Corollary 4.4, the cyclotomic scheme  $\text{Cyc}(5^2, 2)$  is No. 11. It is characterized by  $\text{rank}(w)$  and has the smallest value, in this case.

## 4.2 Case $d = 3$

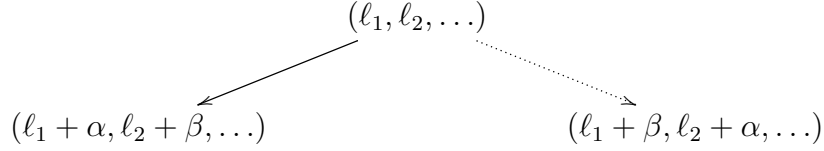
We consider  $(X, S) = \text{Cyc}(p^a, 3)$ . If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , then we can apply results in Subsection 4.1. We assume that  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . Remark that  $a$  is even. Then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, 3) \cong K[x, y]/(x^2, y^2)$  by Theorem 3.10. There are infinitely many indecomposable modules and they are classified (see [2, 4.3], for example). We put

$$\alpha = \frac{2p-1}{3}, \quad \beta = \frac{p-2}{3}$$

and

$$x = \mathbf{v}^{(e)} = \prod_{i=1}^{a/2} \left( v_{2i-1}^\alpha v_{2i}^\beta \right), \quad y = \mathbf{v}^{(2e)} = \prod_{i=1}^{a/2} \left( v_{2i-1}^\beta v_{2i}^\alpha \right).$$

To describe results, we use diagrams like the following.



In the diagram,  $(\ell_1, \ell_2, \dots)$  means  $v_1^{\ell_1} v_2^{\ell_2} \dots$ , the arrow means multiplying  $x$ , and the dotted arrow means multiplying  $y$ . The diagram defines a representation of  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d)$ . Take a basis  $v_1^{\ell_1} v_2^{\ell_2} \dots, v_1^{\ell_1 + \alpha} v_2^{\ell_2 + \beta} \dots, v_1^{\ell_1 + \beta} v_2^{\ell_2 + \alpha} \dots$ . Then the representation is

$$x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We define six modules (representations) :

$$M_1 : \begin{array}{ccc} & \bullet & \\ \swarrow & & \searrow \\ \bullet & & \bullet \\ \searrow & & \swarrow \\ & \bullet & \end{array} \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_2 : \begin{array}{ccc} & \bullet & \\ \swarrow & & \searrow \\ \bullet & & \bullet \end{array} \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

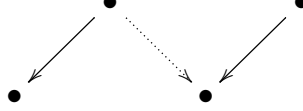
$$M_3 : \begin{array}{ccc} \bullet & & \bullet \\ \searrow & & \swarrow \\ & \bullet & \end{array} \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_4 : \begin{array}{ccc} & \bullet & \\ \swarrow & & \\ \bullet & & \end{array} \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_5 : \begin{array}{ccc} \bullet & & \\ \searrow & & \\ & \bullet & \end{array} \quad x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$M_6 : \bullet \quad x \mapsto (0), \quad y \mapsto (0)$$

All of the modules (representations) above are indecomposable by [2, 4.3]. The vertices move over the range  $0 \leq \ell_i \leq p-1$  ( $1 \leq i \leq a$ ). If we take a connected diagram as large as possible, then the vector space spanned by the elements corresponding to the vertices is an  $KS$ -submodule of the standard module  $KX$ . So if we decompose all vertices into connected diagrams, we can get the indecomposable direct sum decomposition of  $KX$ . It is easy to see that only the six diagrams above are possible. For example, the diagram



is impossible, because if we put the lower left vertex  $(\ell_1, \ell_2, \dots)$ , then the upper right vertex is  $(\ell_1 - p, \ell_2 + 1, \dots)$ , but  $0 \leq \ell_1, \ell_1 - p \leq p-1$  is impossible.

Now we can determine the structure of the standard module.

**Theorem 4.6.** *Let  $K$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ . Suppose  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . Then  $K\text{Cyc}(p^a, d) \cong K[x, y]/(x^2, y^2)$ . The standard module is  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^6 m_i M_i$ , where*

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 &= 1, & m_2 = m_3 &= \frac{(p+1)^a}{3^a} - 1, \\ m_4 &= m_5 &= \frac{(2^{a/2} - 2)(p+1)^a}{3^a}, & m_6 &= p^a + 2 - \frac{(2^{a/2+2} - 2)(p+1)^a}{3^a}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Obviously, there is only one summand  $M_1$  with the top vertex  $(0, \dots, 0)$ . The vertex  $(\ell_1, \dots, \ell_a)$  is a top vertex of  $M_2$  if and only if  $0 \leq \ell_i \leq \alpha$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, a$  except the case  $M_1$ . So  $m_2 = (\alpha + 1)^a - 1 = (p+1)^a/3^a - 1$ . By symmetry,  $m_3 = m_2$ . The vertex  $(\ell_1, \dots, \ell_a)$  is a top vertex of  $M_4$  if and only if  $0 \leq \ell_{2i-1} \leq \alpha$ ,  $0 \leq \ell_{2i} \leq \beta$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, a/2$  except the cases  $M_1, M_2, M_3$ . So

$$m_4 = (\alpha + 1)^{a/2}(\beta + 1)^{a/2} - 2 - 2((\alpha^a + 1) - 1) = \left(\frac{p+1}{3}\right)^a (2^{a/2} - 2).$$

By symmetry, we have  $m_5 = m_4$ . Counting the number of all vertices, we have  $m_6$ .  $\square$

We determine the  $p$ -rank of  $\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1$  for  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ .

**Corollary 4.7.** *Let  $(X, S)$  be the cyclotomic scheme  $\text{Cyc}(p^a, 3)$  with  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . Then, for  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ , the  $p$ -rank of  $\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1$  is  $2^{a/2}(p+1)^a/3^a$ .*

*Proof.* Note that  $J^2(KS) = K \sum_{t \in S} \sigma_t = Kxy$  and  $\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1 \in J(KS) \setminus J^2(KS)$ . So we can write  $\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1 = c_x x + c_y y + c_{xy} xy$  with  $c_x, c_y, c_{xy} \in K$ ,  $(c_x, c_y) \neq (0, 0)$ . For the representation of  $M_1$ , we have

$$\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1 \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & c_x & c_y & c_{xy} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and the rank is 2. Similarly we have the rank 1 for  $M_2$ ,  $M_3$ , and 0 for  $M_6$ . Since  $m_4 = m_5$ , consider the sum  $M_4 \oplus M_5$ ,

$$\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1 \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & c_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The rank for this representation is 1 if  $c_x = 0$  or  $c_y = 0$  and 2 otherwise. Since the ranks of  $\sigma_t - n_t \sigma_1$  are constant for  $t \in S \setminus \{1\}$  by Lemma 2.1 and  $|S| = 4$ , we can see that the rank is 2. By Theorem 4.6, the rank of  $\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1$  for the standard representation is

$$2 + 2 \left( \frac{(p+1)^a}{3^a} - 1 \right) + 2(2^{a/2} - 2) \frac{(p+1)^a}{3^a} = \frac{2^{a/2}(p+1)^a}{3^a}$$

and we have the result.  $\square$

**Example 4.8** (Association schemes algebraically isomorphic to  $\text{Cyc}(2^4, 3)$ ). In the list in [6], Order 16 No. 20 is the cyclotomic scheme  $\text{Cyc}(2^4, 3)$  and No. 21 is a non-schurian scheme algebraically isomorphic to  $\text{Cyc}(2^4, 3)$ . For both cases,  $\text{rank}_K(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) = \dim_K KX(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) = 6$  for any  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ . But for  $s, t \in S \setminus \{1\}$ ,  $s \neq t$ ,  $\dim_K(KX)J(KS) = \dim_K(KX(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) + KX(\sigma_t - n_s \sigma_t)) = 7$  for No. 20 and 8 for No. 21. The difference comes from the structure of the standard modules. For the cyclotomic scheme No. 20, we can compute the dimension of  $KX(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) + KX(\sigma_t - n_s \sigma_t)$  to be 7 by Theorem 4.6. The standard module is  $M_1 \oplus 2M_4 \oplus 2M_5 \oplus 4M_6$ , and  $\dim_K(M_1(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) + M_1(\sigma_t - n_s \sigma_t)) = 3$ ,  $\dim_K(M_4(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) + M_4(\sigma_t - n_s \sigma_t)) = 1$ ,  $\dim_K(M_5(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) + M_5(\sigma_t - n_s \sigma_t)) = 1$ , and  $\dim_K(M_6(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) + M_6(\sigma_t - n_s \sigma_t)) = 0$ . So  $KX(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) + KX(\sigma_t - n_s \sigma_t) = 7$ .

**Example 4.9** (Association schemes algebraically isomorphic to  $\text{Cyc}(5^2, 3)$ ). In the list in [6], Order 25 No. 18 is the cyclotomic scheme  $\text{Cyc}(5^2, 3)$  and No. 17 is a schurian scheme algebraically isomorphic to  $\text{Cyc}(5^2, 3)$ . For both cases,  $\text{rank}_K(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) = \dim_K KX(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_s) = 8$  for any  $s \in S \setminus \{1\}$ . But  $\dim_K(\bigcap_{s \in S \setminus \{1\}} KX(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)) = 3$  for No. 17 and 4 for No. 18. The difference comes from the structure of the standard modules. For the cyclotomic scheme No. 18, we can compute the dimension to be 4 by Theorem 4.6. The standard module is  $M_1 \oplus 3M_2 \oplus 3M_3 \oplus 3M_6$ , and  $\dim_K(\bigcap_{s \in S \setminus \{1\}} M_1(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)) = 1$ ,  $\dim_K(\bigcap_{s \in S \setminus \{1\}} M_2(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)) = 0$ ,  $\dim_K(\bigcap_{s \in S \setminus \{1\}} M_3(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)) = 1$ , and  $\dim_K(\bigcap_{s \in S \setminus \{1\}} M_6(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)) = 0$ . So  $\dim_K(\bigcap_{s \in S \setminus \{1\}} KX(\sigma_s - n_s \sigma_1)) = 4$ .

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