

## Classifying (some) reduced fusion systems

$\mathcal{F}_S(G)$ ,  $G$  a finite group,  $S \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$   
is the saturated fusion realized by  $G$  on  $S$

Can we find more examples of exotic fusion systems for  $p=2$ ?  $\mathcal{F}$  is exotic if  $\mathcal{F}_S(G) \neq \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\forall G$  finite group.

Def A saturated fusion system  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $S$  is reduced if  $O_p(\mathcal{F}) = 1$ ,  $O^p(\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F} = O^{p'}(\mathcal{F})$ ,  
where  $O_p(\mathcal{F}) =$  largest  $\mathcal{F}$ -normal subgroup of  $S$   
 $O^p(\mathcal{F}) =$  unique minimal fusion subsystem of  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $p$ -power index  
 $O^{p'}(\mathcal{F}) =$  u u  
of  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $p'$ -index.

The uniqueness of  $O^p(\mathcal{F})$  and  $O^{p'}(\mathcal{F})$  proved in BGLD.

Caution! reduced fusion systems  $\neq$  simple fusion system.  
For example:  $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2$  reduced  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2$  reduced.

Given a saturated fusion system over  $S$   
let (1<sup>st</sup>)  $\mathcal{F}_0 = \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{F}}(O_p(\mathcal{F}))$  (or  $Z(O_p(\mathcal{F}))$ )  
(2<sup>nd</sup>)  $\mathcal{F}_0 \geq \mathcal{F}_1 = O^p(\mathcal{F}_0) \geq \mathcal{F}_2 = O^{p'}(\mathcal{F}_1) \geq \dots$   
let  $\text{red}(\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F}_\infty$  where  $O^p(\mathcal{F}_\infty) = \mathcal{F}_\infty = O^{p'}(\mathcal{F}_\infty)$ .

Prop  $\text{red}(\mathcal{F})$  is a reduced saturated fusion system.

Def A saturated fusion system  $\mathcal{F}$  is tame if it is realized by a finite group  $G$  such that

$$K_Q : \text{Out}(G) \longrightarrow \text{Out}_{\text{typ}}(L_S^c(G))$$

$$\text{Out}(BG_p^{\wedge})$$

is split surjective

Thm A  $\text{red}(\mathcal{F})$  is tame  $= \mathcal{F}$  is tame  
(in particular  $\mathcal{F}$  is realizable)

Thm B  $\mathcal{F}$  not tame  $\Rightarrow \exists \tilde{\mathcal{F}}$  exotic such that  $\text{red}(\tilde{\mathcal{F}}) = \mathcal{F}$ .

Part II "Classification"

Def  $G_0 \cong G$  strongly embedded ( $p=2$ ) if  $|G_0|$  is even and  $\forall g \in G \setminus G_0$  we have  $|g G_0 g^{-1} \cap G_0|$  is odd.

- $P \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{F})$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -essential if it is  $\mathcal{F}$ -centric, fully normalized (in  $\mathcal{F}$ ) and  $\text{Out}_{\mathcal{F}}(P) = \text{Aut}_{\mathcal{F}}(P) / \text{Inn } P$  contains a strongly embedded subgroup,  $P \neq S$ .

Alperin - Goldschmidt fusion theorem

A saturated fusion system is generated by the automorphisms of  $\mathcal{F}$ -essential subgroups and those of  $S$ .

Def Given  $S$  a 2-group,  $P \leq S$  is critical if  $P \neq S$  and  $\exists G_0 \leq G$  with  $\text{Out}_S(P) \leq G_0 \leq G \leq \text{Out}(P)$  and  $P$  is centric in  $S$  satisfying  $\text{Out}_S(P) \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$  and  $G_0$  is strongly embedded in  $G$ .

Rem:  $G$  is candidate for  $\text{Out}_F(P)$  for some  $F$ .

Prop If  $P$  is  $F$ -essential for some saturated fusion system  $F$ , then  $P$  is critical. The converse is not true.

1<sup>st</sup> step in "classification"

finding all critical subgroups of  $S$ .

[Bender] If  $G$  contains a strongly embedded subgroup then then  $S \in \text{Syl}_2(G)$  is cyclic or quaternion-type or ...

If  $F$  is reduced  $\Rightarrow F$  is non-constrained. If a saturated fusion system  $F$  contains only one  $F$ -essential or one conjugacy class of  $F$ -essentials and  $\text{Out}_F(S)$  is a 2-group. then  $F$  is not reduced.

So one case we're looking for is a saturated fusion system  $F$  over  $S$  such

