

## Table of marks and markaracter table of certain finite groups

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**Abstract.** Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $C(G)$  be a family of representatives of the conjugacy classes of subgroups in  $G$ . The table of marks of  $G$  is a matrix  $TM(G) = (a_{HK})$ , where  $H, K \in C(G)$  and  $a_{HK}$  is the number of fixed points of the right cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  under the action of  $K$ . The markaracter table of  $G$  is a matrix obtained from the table of marks of  $G$  by selecting rows and columns corresponding to cyclic subgroups of  $G$ . In this paper, the table of marks and markaracter table of some classes of finite groups are computed.

### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper all groups and sets are assumed to be finite. Our calculations are done with the aid of Gap [10] and we refer to the books [5, 6] for notions and notations not presented here.

Suppose  $G$  is a finite group containing subgroups  $H$  and  $K$ . Define  $C(H)$  to be the set of all conjugates of  $H$  in  $G$  and  $\mathcal{K}(G) = \{C(H_1), C(H_2), \dots, C(H_s)\}$  to be a complete set of representatives of the conjugacy classes of subgroups in  $G$ . The right cosets of  $H$  in  $H$  is denoted by  $G \setminus H$ . It is well-known that the action of  $G$  on  $G \setminus H$  is transitive and all transitive actions have such a form up to isomorphism. The mark  $\beta_H(K) = \beta_{G \setminus H}(K)$  is defined as  $|\text{Fix}_{G \setminus H}(K)| = |\{Hx \in G \setminus H \mid Hxk = Hx, \forall k \in K\}|$ . The table of marks of  $G$ , Table 1, is the square matrix  $MT(G) = (\beta_{G \setminus G_i}(G_j))$ , where  $G_i, G_j \in \mathcal{X}$ . The table  $MT(G)$  was introduced in the second edition of the famous book of W. Burnside [2]. We refer the interested reader to consult an old but interesting paper by Pfeiffer [7] for more information on this topic.

The markaracter table of a finite group was introduced by a Japanese chemist Shinsaku Fujita in the context of stereochemistry and enumeration of molecules [3]. This table can be obtained from the table of marks by removing all rows and columns corresponding to non-cyclic subgroups. The markaracter table of dihedral, generalized quaternion and groups of order  $pqr$ ,  $p, q, r$  are distinct primes, were computed in some earlier paper [1, 4, 8]. The aim of this paper is to continue these works by computing the table of marks and markaracter table of certain classes of groups.

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Table 1. The table of marks of group  $G$ 

*	$C(H_1)$	$C(H_2)$	$\cdots$	$C(H_s)$
$G/H_1$	$\beta_{H_1}(K_1)$	$\beta_{H_1}(K_2)$	$\cdots$	$\beta_{H_1}(K_s)$
$G/H_2$	$\beta_{H_2}(K_1)$	$\beta_{H_2}(K_2)$	$\cdots$	$\beta_{H_2}(K_s)$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\cdots$	$\vdots$
$G/H_s$	$\beta_{H_s}(K_1)$	$\beta_{H_s}(K_2)$	$\cdots$	$\beta_{H_s}(K_s)$

where  $K_i \in C(H_i)$  for all  $i$ .

## 2. Main Results

The aim of this section is to calculate the table of marks and markaracter table of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ , the semi-dihedral group  $SD_{2^n}$ , and the group  $H(n)$  that will be defined later. For the sake of completeness we mention here a known result about table of marks. The interested readers can be consulted an interesting paper of G. Pfeiffer [7].

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be a finite group,  $\mathcal{K}(G) = \{C(H_1), C(H_2), \dots, C(H_s)\}$  and  $MT(G) = (m_{ij})$  in which  $|K_i| \leq |K_j|$ , when  $K_i \in C(H_i), K_j \in C(H_j)$  and  $i \leq j$ . Then,*

1. *The matrix  $M(G)$  is a lower triangular matrix,*
2.  *$m_{ij}$  divides  $m_{i1}$ , for all  $1 \leq i, j \leq r$ ,*
3.  *$m_{i1} = [G : H_i]$ , for all  $1 \leq i \leq s$ ,*
4.  *$m_{ii} = [N_G(H_i) : H_i]$ ,*
5. *If  $H_i \trianglelefteq G$ , then  $m_{ij} = m_{i1}$  whenever  $K_j \not\leq H_i$  and zero otherwise.*

### 2.1. Dicyclic group $T_{4n}$

The dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$  can be presented as  $T_{4n} = \langle a, b \mid a^{2n} = 1, a^n = b^2, b^{-1}ab = a^{-1} \rangle$ . The present authors [9], obtained the structure and the number of all subgroups of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ . Based on the given information on subgroup lattice of dicyclic group, we know that it has two types of subgroups. The first type is cyclic subgroups of  $\langle a \rangle$  and the second type is a subgroup  $H$  of index  $2^l d$  conjugate to  $C_{\frac{m}{d}} : Q_{\frac{2^{r+2}}{2^l}}$ , where  $n = 2^r m$ . It is clear that  $H = \langle a^n, a^j b \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , is a cyclic subgroup of order four. Thus, we have  $\tau(2n)$  subgroups of the first type and the second type subgroups can be partitioned into two parts. The first part are subgroups in the form of  $\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle$ , where  $d$  is odd. These subgroups are all conjugate. If  $d$  is even then all subgroups in the form  $\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle$ ,  $2 \mid j$ , are in a conjugacy class of subgroups and all subgroups in the form  $\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle$ ,  $2 \nmid j$ ,

are in another conjugacy classes of subgroups. In Table 2 the table of marks are computed in two different cases that  $n$  is a prime number greater than or equal to five or  $n = 3$ .

Table 2. Table of marks when  $n = p$  is odd prime.

$n = 3$	$e$	$\langle x^3 \rangle$	$\langle x^2 \rangle$	$\langle x^3, ab \rangle$	$\langle x \rangle$	$G$
$G/e$	12	0	0	0	0	0
$G/\langle x^3 \rangle$	6	6	0	0	0	0
$G/\langle x^2 \rangle$	4	0	4	0	0	0
$G/\langle x^3, ab \rangle$	3	3	0	1	0	0
$G/\langle x \rangle$	2	2	2	0	2	0
$e$	1	1	1	1	1	1

$n \geq 5$	$e$	$\langle x^p \rangle$	$\langle x^p, ab \rangle$	$\langle x^2 \rangle$	$\langle x \rangle$	$G$
$G/e$	$4p$	0	0	0	0	0
$G/\langle x^p \rangle$	$2p$	$2p$	0	0	0	0
$G/\langle x^p, ab \rangle$	$p$	$p$	1	0	0	0
$G/\langle x^2 \rangle$	4	0	0	4	0	0
$G/\langle x \rangle$	2	2	0	2	2	0
$e$	1	1	1	1	1	1

From calculations given in [9, Section 2.2], one can see that this group has exactly  $|\mathcal{K}(G)| = \tau(2n) + 2r\tau(m) + \tau(m) = \tau(2n) + \tau(m)(r + 1) + r\tau(m) = \tau(2n) + \tau(n) + r\tau(m)$  subgroups. This shows that we have the following lemma:

**Lemma 2.2.** *The order of the table of marks of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ ,  $n = 2^r m$  and  $m$  is odd is  $\tau(2n) + \tau(n) + r\tau(m)$ .*

**Proposition 2.3.** *In the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ ,  $m_{i2} = [G : H_i]$ , for any subgroup  $H_i$  if  $\langle a^n \rangle \leq H$ . In other case,  $m_{i2} = 0$ .*

*Proof.* To prove  $m_{i2} = [G : H_i]$ , we put  $C_2 = \langle a^n \rangle$ . If  $C_2 \leq H_i$ , then by definition

$$m_{i2} = [N_G(H_i) : H_i] \cdot |\{H^g \mid \langle a^n \rangle \leq H^g \ \& \ g \in T_{4n}\}|.$$

If  $H$  is a normal subgroup then  $m_{i2} = [G : H]$ . Suppose  $H = \langle a^d, a^j b \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq d$  and  $d$  is even. Then  $H \cong T_{4\frac{n}{d}}$  and  $N_G(\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle) = \langle a^{\frac{d}{2}}, a^j b \rangle$  which implies that  $[N_G(\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle) : \langle a^d, a^j b \rangle] = 2$ . On the other hand,  $|\{(\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle)^g \mid \langle a^n \rangle \leq (\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle)^g \ \& \ g \in T_{4n}\}| = \frac{d}{2}$ . Now, since  $[T_{4n} : \langle a^d, a^j b \rangle] = d$ , we have that  $m_{i2} = [T_{4n} : \langle a^d, a^j b \rangle]$ . Next we assume that  $d$  is odd which shows that  $\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle$  is self-normalizer. Therefore,  $[N_{T_{4n}}(\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle) : \langle a^d, a^j b \rangle] = 1$ . This proves that the number  $H$ -conjugate classes is  $d$ .  $\square$

In [6, Lemma 3.5.3(a)], it is proved that if  $M(G) = [m_{ij}]$  is the table of marks of  $G$  then  $m_{ij} = [N_G(H_i) : H_i] \cdot b_{ij}$ , where  $b_{ij}$  is the number of subgroups conjugate to  $H_i$  which contain  $H_j$ . In particular,  $m_{ii} = [N_G(H_i) : H_i]$ . By this result, one can easily see that if  $H_i$  is normal then  $\beta_{G/H}(K) = [G : H]$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $d$  is an odd positive divisor and  $H = \langle a^d, a^j b \rangle$ . Then*

$$\beta_{T_{4n}/H}(K) = [T_{4n} : H] = d \text{ or } 1.$$

*Proof.* Since  $d$  is odd,  $H$  is a self-normalizing subgroup of  $T_{4n}$ . We first assume that  $K \leq T_{4n}$  is normal. Then  $\beta_{T_{4n}/H}(K) = |\{H^g \mid K \leq H^g \text{ \& } g \in T_{4n}\}| = |\{H^g \mid K \leq H^g, g \in T_{4n}\}| = |\{H^g \mid K \leq H\}| = [T_{4n} : N_G(H)] = [T_{4n} : H]$ . But  $H \cong T_{4\frac{n}{2}}$  and so  $\beta_{T_{4n}/H}(K) = d$ , as desired. If  $K$  is not normal in  $T_{4n}$ , then  $K = \langle a^h, a^j b \rangle$ , where  $h < d$ . Thus  $\beta_{T_{4n}/H}(K) = |\{H^g \mid \langle a^h, a^j b \rangle \leq H^g \text{ \& } g \in T_{4n}\}| = 1$ . □

By Lemma 2.2 and Propositions 2.3, 2.4 we have the following theorem:

**Theorem 2.5.** *The table of marks of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$  is given in Tables 3 and 4.*

Table 3. Table of marks of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ , when  $n = 2^r m$  and  $3 \mid m$ .

*	$e$	$\langle a^n \rangle$	$\langle a^{\frac{2n}{p_1}} \rangle$	$\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$K_j, 7 \leq j \leq s$
$G/e$	$4n$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$G/\langle a^n \rangle$	$2n$	$2n$	0	0	0	0	...
$G/\langle a^{\frac{2n}{p_1}} \rangle$	$\frac{4n}{p_1}$	-	$\frac{4n}{p_1}$	0	0	0	...
$G/\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$n$	$n$	0	$n$	0	0	...
$G/\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$n$	$n$	0	0	2	0	...
$G/\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$n$	$n$	0	0	0	2	...
$G/H_i, 7 \leq i \leq s$				$\delta_{ij}$			

Table 4. Table of marks of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ , when  $n = 2^r m$  and  $3 \nmid m$ .

*	$e$	$\langle a^n \rangle$	$\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$K_j, 6 \leq j \leq s$
$G/e$	$4n$	0	0	0	0	...
$G/\langle a^n \rangle$	$2n$	$2n$	0	0	0	...
$G/\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$n$	$n$	$n$	0	0	...
$G/\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$n$	$n$	0	2	0	...
$G/\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$n$	$n$	0	0	2	...
$G/H_i, 6 \leq i \leq s$				$\delta_{ij}$		

In Tables 3 and 4, the quantity  $\delta_{ij}$  can be computed by the following formula:

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} m_{i1} & \text{if } K_j \leq H_i \trianglelefteq T_{4n} \\ 2 & \text{if } K_j \leq H_i \leq T_{4n} \\ 1 & \text{if } K_j \leq N_{T_{4n}}(H_i) = H_i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $\mathcal{K}(G)$  denotes the set of all conjugacy classes of a given group  $G$ . By definition of the markaracter table, one can easily see that the markaracter table of  $G$  has exactly  $|\mathcal{K}(G)|$  rows and columns.

We are now ready to calculate the markaracter table of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ . The matrix  $MC(T_{4n})$  can be obtained from  $MT(T_{4n})$  in which we select rows and columns corresponding to cyclic subgroups of  $T_{4n}$ . By Lemma 2.2, the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$ ,  $n = 2^r m$  and  $m$  is odd is  $\tau(2n) + \tau(n) + r\tau(m)$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** *The number of conjugacy classes of dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$  can be computed by the following formula:*

$$|\mathcal{K}(T_{4n})| = \begin{cases} \tau(2n) + 2 & 2 \mid n, \\ \tau(2n) + 1 & 2 \nmid n. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* It is easy to see that for each  $i$ ,  $i \mid 2n$ ,  $\langle a^i \rangle$  is a normal subgroup of  $T_{4n}$  and so there are  $\tau(2n)$  conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups of this type. Suppose  $n$  is even. Among two generator subgroups  $\langle a^i, a^j b \rangle$  of  $T_{4n}$ ,  $\langle a^n, a^j b \rangle$  is a cyclic subgroup of order 4 and other subgroups of this form are not cyclic. On the other hand, all subgroup of the form  $\langle a^n, a^j b \rangle$ ,  $j$  is odd, are conjugate in  $T_{4n}$ , and all subgroups of the form  $\langle a^n, a^j b \rangle$ ,  $j$  is even, are conjugate in  $T_{4n}$ . This shows that in the case that  $n$  is even, we have exactly  $\tau(2n) + 2$  conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups. If  $n$  is odd then all subgroups of the form  $\langle a^n, a^j b \rangle$  ( $j$  can be odd or even) are conjugate in  $T_{4n}$  and so we have exactly  $\tau(n) + 1$  conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups in  $T_{4n}$ . This completes our argument.  $\square$

By previous lemma the non-conjugate subgroups of  $T_{4n}$  are as follows:

- $C(H_1) = \langle e \rangle$ ,
- $C(H_2) = \langle a^n \rangle$ ,
- $C(H_3) = \langle a^{\frac{2n}{3}} \rangle$ ,
- $C(H_4) = \langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$ ,
- $C(H_5) = \langle a^n, a^j b \rangle, 2 \mid j$ ,
- $C(H_6) = \langle a^n, a^j b \rangle, 2 \nmid j$ ,
- $C(H_i)_{7 \leq i \leq s} = \langle a^{\frac{2n}{d}} \rangle, d \neq 2, 3$ , where  $|\mathcal{K}(T_{4n})| = s$ .

By Lemma 2.6, the markaracter table of the dicyclic group  $T_{4n}$  are recorded in Tables 5 and 6 in which

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} m_{i1} & \text{if } K_j \leq H_i \leq T_{4n} \\ 2 & \text{if } K_j \leq H_i \leq T_{4n} \\ 1 & \text{if } K_j \leq N_{T_{4n}}(H_i) = H_i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Table 5. The markaracter table of  $T_{4n}$ , when  $n = 2^r m$  and  $3 \mid m$ .

*	$e$	$\langle a^n \rangle$	$\langle a^{\frac{2n}{3}} \rangle$	$\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$K_j, 7 \leq i \leq s$
$G/e$	$4n$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^n \rangle$	$2n$	$2n$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^{\frac{2n}{3}} \rangle$	$\frac{4n}{3}$	$0$	$\frac{4n}{3}$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$n$	$n$	$0$	$n$	$0$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$n$	$n$	$0$	$0$	$\mathbf{2}$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$n$	$n$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\dots$
$G/H_{i7 \leq i \leq s}$				$\delta_{ij}$			

Table 6. The Markaracter Table of  $T_{4n}$ , when  $n = 2^r m$  and  $3 \nmid m$ .

*	$e$	$\langle a^n \rangle$	$\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$K_j, 5 \leq j \leq s$
$G/e$	$4n$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^n \rangle$	$2n$	$2n$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^{\frac{n}{2}} \rangle$	$n$	$n$	$n$	$0$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^n, b \rangle$	$n$	$n$	$0$	$\mathbf{2}$	$0$	$\dots$
$G/\langle a^n, ab \rangle$	$n$	$n$	$0$	$0$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\dots$
$G/H_{i6 \leq i \leq s}$				$\delta_{ij}$		

### 2.2. Table of marks of the semi-dihedral group $SD_{2^n}$

In [9, Section 2.5], the present authors studied the structure of subgroups of the group  $SD_{2^n}$ . From the results given the mentioned paper, we can see that we have two types of cyclic subgroups in  $SD_{2^n}$ . The first type subgroups are in the form  $\langle a^d \rangle$  of order  $\frac{2^{n-1}}{d}$ , where  $d \mid 2^{n-1}$ . The second type of subgroups have the form  $\langle a^d, a^k b \rangle$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq d$ . If  $2 \mid k$  then  $\langle a^d, a^k b \rangle \cong D_{\frac{2^n}{d}}$ , and if  $2 \nmid k$  then  $\langle a^d, a^k b \rangle \cong Q_{\frac{2^{n+1}}{d}}$ .

Since all subgroups of the first type are normal, there are  $\tau(2^{n-1}) = n$  conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups. Among subgroups of the second time, it is easy to see that all subgroups of the form  $\langle a^j b \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq 2^{n-1}$  and  $2 \mid j$ , are conjugate and so these subgroups constitute a conjugacy class of subgroups in  $SD_{2^n}$ . Choose the subgroups  $\langle a^{2^k}, a^j b \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq k$  and  $k \mid 2^{n-3}$ . Fix a positive integer  $k$ . Then all subgroups of the form  $\langle a^{2^k}, a^j b \rangle$  with even positive integer  $j$  are conjugate and so we have  $2(n-2)$  conjugacy classes of subgroups of this form. The same will be happened when  $j$  varies on the set of all odd integers with condition  $1 \leq j \leq k$ . Hence there are  $2(n-2) + n + 2 = 3n - 2$  conjugacy classes of subgroups in  $SD_{2^n}$ . Therefore, the non-conjugate subgroups of  $SD_{2^n}$  are as follows:

- $C(H_1) = \{ \langle e \rangle \};$
- $C(H_2) = \{ \langle a^{2^{n-2}} \rangle \};$

- $C(H_3) = \{ \langle a^{2^{n-1}}, a^j b \rangle \mid j \text{ is even} \};$
- $C(H_{4+3i}) = \{ \langle a^{2^{n-3-i}} \rangle \}, 0 \leq i \leq n-3;$
- $C(H_{5+3i}) = \{ \langle a^{2^{n-2-i}}, a^j b \rangle, j \text{ is even} \}, 0 \leq i \leq n-3;$
- $C(H_{6+3i}) = \{ \langle a^{2^{n-1-i}}, a^j b \rangle, j \text{ is odd} \}, 0 \leq i \leq n-3;$
- $C(H_{3n-2}) = \{ \langle a, b \rangle \}.$

Therefore, we proved the following proposition:

**Proposition 2.7.** *The semi-dihedral group  $SD_{2^n}$  has exactly  $3n - 2$  conjugacy classes of subgroups.*

**Theorem 2.8.** *The table of marks of the semi-dihedral group  $SD_{2^n}$  is given in Table 7.*

Table 7. Table of marks of the dicyclic group  $SD_{2^n}$ .

*	$K_1$	$K_2$	$K_3$	$K_4$	$K_5$	$K_6$	$K_7$	$K_8$	$K_9$	$K_{10}$	$K_{11}$	$K_{12}$	...	$K_s$
$G/H_2$	$2^{n-1}$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_3$	$2^{n-1}$	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_4$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	0	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_5$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_6$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_7$	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$	0	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_8$	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$	0	$2^{n-3}$	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_9$	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$	2	$2^{n-3}$	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_{10}$	$2^{n-4}$	$2^{n-4}$	0	$2^{n-4}$	0	0	$2^{n-4}$	0	0	$2^{n-4}$	0	0	...	0
$G/H_{11}$	$2^{n-4}$	$2^{n-4}$	0	$2^{n-4}$	2	0	$2^{n-4}$	2	0	0	2	0	...	0
$G/H_{12}$	$2^{n-4}$	$2^{n-4}$	2	$2^{n-4}$	0	2	$2^{n-4}$	0	2	0	0	2	...	0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
$G/H_s$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	1

where  $s = 3n - 2$ .

*Proof.* We first calculate the entry  $m_{ij}$  in table of marks of semi-dihedral group  $SD_{2^n}$ . We claim that

$$m_{ij} = \beta_{(SD_{2^n}/H_i)}(k_j) = \begin{cases} [SD_{2^n} : H_i] & \text{if } K_j \trianglelefteq H_i \trianglelefteq SD_{2^n} \text{ or } K_j \leq H_i \trianglelefteq SD_{2^n} \\ 2 & \text{if } K_j \leq H_i \leq SD_{2^n} \\ 0 & \text{if } K_j \not\leq H_i \end{cases}$$

To prove, we assume that  $K_j \trianglelefteq H_i \trianglelefteq SD_{2^n}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} [N_{SD_{2^n}}(H) : H] &= [SD_{2^n} : H] \\ |\{H^g \mid K \leq H^g \text{ \& } g \in SD_{2^n}\}| &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $H_i$  is normal,  $m_{ij} = \beta_{(SD_{2^n}/H_i)}(K_j) = [SD_{2^n} : H_i]$ . Next we assume that  $K_j \leq H_i \leq SD_{2^n}$  and  $H_i$  is not normal in  $SD_{2^n}$ . Then  $[N_{SD_{2^n}}(H) : H] = 2$ . We

write  $K_j = \langle a^r, a^j b \rangle$  and  $H_i = \langle a^d, a^j b \rangle$ . If  $r \mid d$ , then it easy see to that  $K_j$  is contained in a unique conjugate of  $H_i$ .

Since  $H_i \not\leq SD_{2^n}$  and  $K_j \leq SD_{2^n}$ ,

$$N_{SD_{2^n}}(\langle a^d, a^j b \rangle) = \langle a^{\frac{d}{2}}, a^j b \rangle,$$

$$|\{K_j \leq H_i^g \ \& \ g \in SD_{2^n}\}| = 1.$$

Finally, if  $K_j \not\leq H_i$  then  $|\{H_i^g \mid K_j \leq H_i^g \ \& \ g \in SD_{2^n}\}| = 0$  and so  $\beta_{SD_{2^n}/H_i}(K_j) = 0$ . □

By the proof of the previous theorem, one can see that the number of cyclic subgroups of the semi-dihedral group  $SD_{2^n}$  are  $n + 2^{n-3} + 2^{n-2}$ . There are two conjugacy classes of subgroups of index  $2^{n-1}$  with representatives  $C_2 = \langle a^{2^{n-2}} \rangle$  and  $D_2 = \langle a^2 b \rangle$ . There are also two conjugacy classes of subgroup of index  $2^{n-2}$  with representatives  $C_4 = \langle a^{2^{n-3}} \rangle$  and  $Q_4 = \langle a^{2^{n-2}}, ab \rangle$ . For all other integers appeared as the index of a subgroup in  $SD_{2^n}$ , there exists a unique conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups. In an exact phrase, there exists a unique subgroup of index  $2^{n-3-k}$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq n-3$ , generated by  $a^{2^{n-4-k}}$ . Therefore, there are  $n+2$  conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups. Hence we proved the following proposition:

**Corollary 2.9.** *The order of markaracter table in the group  $SD_{2^n}$  is equal to  $s = n + 2$ .*

**Theorem 2.10.** *The markaracter table of semi-dihedral group  $SD_{2^n}$  is given by Table 8.*

Table 8. Markaracter table of the semi-dihedral group  $SD_{2^n}$ .

*	$K_1$	$K_2$	$K_3$	$K_4$	$K_5$	$K_6$	$K_7$	$K_8$	...	$K_s$
$G/H_1$	$2^n$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_2$	$2^{n-1}$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_3$	$2^{n-1}$	0	<b>2</b>	0	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_4$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	0	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_5$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	<b>2</b>	0	0	0	...	0
$G/H_6$	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$	0	$2^{n-3}$	0	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	...	0
$G/H_7$	$2^{n-4}$	$2^{n-4}$	0	$2^{n-4}$	0	$2^{n-4}$	$2^{n-4}$	0	...	0
$G/H_8$	$2^{n-5}$	$2^{n-5}$	0	$2^{n-5}$	0	$2^{n-5}$	$2^{n-5}$	$2^{n-5}$	...	0
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$
$G/H_s$	2	2	0	2	0	2	2	2	...	2

*Proof.* Apply Theorem 2.8. □

### 2.3. The group $H(n)$

Define  $H(n) = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{n-2}} = y^2 = z^2 = e, [x, y] = [y, z] = e, xz = xy \rangle$ . The aim of this section is to calculate the table of marks and markaracter table of the group



$H(n)$ . In [9, Section 2.6], the present authors studied the structure of subgroups of this group and proved that the normal subgroups of  $H(n)$  have the following forms:

- $G_1 = \langle a^d \rangle$ , where  $d \mid 2^{n-2}$  and  $d \neq 1$ ;
- $G_2 = \langle a^d, b \rangle$ , where  $d \mid 2^{n-2}$ ;
- $G_3 = \langle a^d b \rangle$ , where  $d \mid 2^{n-3}$  and  $d \neq 1$ ;
- $G_4 = \langle a^d c, a^d bc \rangle$ , where  $d \mid 2^{n-3}$ ;
- $G_5 = \langle a^d, b, c \rangle$ , where  $d \mid 2^{n-2}$ .

We now consider non-normal subgroups of  $H(n)$ . Suppose  $d \mid 2^{n-2}$ . Since  $a^{-1}\langle a^d, c \rangle a = \langle a^d, bc \rangle$  and  $a^{-1}\langle a^d b, a^d c \rangle a = \langle a^d b, a^d bc \rangle$ ,  $\langle a^d, c \rangle$ ,  $\langle a^d, bc \rangle$  and also  $\langle a^d b, a^d c \rangle$ ,  $\langle a^d b, a^d bc \rangle$  are conjugate subgroups of  $H(n)$ . Moreover,  $c^{-1}\langle a \rangle c = \langle ab \rangle$  and so  $\langle a \rangle$  and  $\langle ab \rangle$  are conjugate. In what follows, we record the representatives of conjugacy classes of subgroups of  $H(n)$ . In the case that the conjugacy class has one or two elements, the complete conjugacy class of those subgroups are recorded.

1.  $C(H_1) = \{\langle e \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_2) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-3}} \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_3) = \{\langle b \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_4) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-3}} b \rangle\}$ ,  
 $C(H_5) = \{\langle c \rangle, \langle bc \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_6) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-3}} c \rangle, \langle a^{2^{n-3}} bc \rangle\}$ ;
2.  $C(H_{7+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-4-j}} \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
3.  $C(H_{8+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-3-j}}, b \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
4.  $C(H_{9+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-4-j}} b \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
5.  $C(H_{10+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-3-j}} b, a^{2^{n-3-j}} bc \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
6.  $C(H_{11+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-2-j}}, b, c \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
7.  $C(H_{12+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-4-j}} c \rangle, \langle a^{2^{n-4-j}} bc \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
8.  $C(H_{13+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-3-j}}, c \rangle, \langle a^{2^{n-3-j}}, bc \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
9.  $C(H_{14+8j}) = \{\langle a^{2^{n-3-j}} c, a^{2^{n-3-j}} b \rangle, \langle a^{2^{n-3-j}} c, a^{2^{n-3-j}} bc \rangle\}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-5$ ;
10.  $C(H_{8n-25}) = \{\langle a^2, b \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_{8n-24}) = \{\langle a^2 c, a^2 bc \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_{8n-23}) = \{\langle a^4, b, c \rangle\}$ ;
11.  $C(H_{8n-22}) = \{\langle a \rangle, \langle ab \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_{8n-21}) = \{\langle ac \rangle, \langle abc \rangle\}$ ;
12.  $C(H_{8n-20}) = \{\langle a^2 b, a^2 bc \rangle, \langle a^2 b, a^2 c \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_{8n-19}) = \{\langle a^2, c \rangle, \langle a^2, bc \rangle\}$ ,  
 $C(H_{8n-18}) = \{\langle a, b \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_{8n-17}) = \{\langle a, c \rangle\}$ ,  $C(H_{8n-16}) = \{\langle a^2, b, c \rangle\}$ ,  
 $C(H_{8n-15}) = \{\langle a, b, c \rangle\}$ .

Among these classes of subgroups, conjugacy classes recorded in the cases 1, 2, 4, 7 and 11 are related to cyclic subgroups. We now record our calculations in the following lemma:

**Lemma 2.11.** *There are  $8n - 15$  conjugacy classes of subgroups in the group  $H(n)$  and among them there are  $3n - 4$  conjugacy classes of cyclic subgroups. In particular, the order of table of marks and markaracter table of  $H(n)$  are  $8n - 15$  and  $3n - 4$ , respectively.*

To calculate the table of marks of  $H(n)$ , we have to calculate the values  $m_{ij}(H(n))$ .

**Proposition 2.12.**

$$\delta_{ij} = \beta_{H(n)/H_i}(K_j) = \begin{cases} [H(n) : H_i] & K_j \trianglelefteq H_i \trianglelefteq H(n) \text{ or } K_j \leq H_i \trianglelefteq H(n), \\ [N_{H(n)}(H_i) : H_i] & K_j \leq H_i \leq H(n), \\ 0 & K_j \not\leq H_i. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $K_j \leq H_i$ . It is easy to see that  $|N_{H(n)}(H_i)| = 2^{n-1}$ , when  $H_i$  is a non-normal subgroup of  $H(n)$ . On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{H(n)/H_i}(K_j) &= [N_{H(n)}(H_i) : H_i] |\{H_i^g \mid K_j \leq H_i^g \ \& \ g \in H(n)\}| \\ &= [N_{H(n)}(H_i) : H_i], \end{aligned}$$

proving the result. □

**Theorem 2.13.** *The table of marks and markaracter table of the group  $H(n)$  are given in Tables 9 and 10, respectively.*

**Table 9.** Table of marks of the group  $H(n)$ .

*	$K_1$	$K_2$	$K_3$	$K_4$	$K_5$	$K_6$	$K_j, 7 \leq j \leq 8n-15$
$H(n)/e$	$2^n$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-3}} \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle b \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-3}}b \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle bc \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	$2^{n-2}$	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-3}}bc \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	0	$2^{n-2}$	...
$H(n)/(H_i)_{7 \leq i \leq 8n-15}$					$\delta_{ij}$		

**Table 10.** The markaracter table of the group  $H(n)$ .

*	$K_1$	$K_2$	$K_3$	$K_4$	$K_5$	$K_6$	$K_7$
$H(n)/e$	$2^n$	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{n})/\langle \mathbf{a}^{2^{n-3}} \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	0	0
$H(n)/\langle b \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	0
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-3}}b \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0
$H(n)/\langle bc \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	$2^{n-2}$	0	0
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-3}}bc \rangle$	$2^{n-1}$	0	0	0	0	$2^{n-2}$	0
$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{n})/\langle \mathbf{a}^{2^{n-4}} \rangle$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	0	0	$2^{n-2}$
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-4}}b \rangle$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	0	0	0
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-4}}bc \rangle$	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{n})/\langle \mathbf{a}^{2^{n-5}} \rangle$	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	0	0	$2^{n-3}$
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-5}}b \rangle$	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	0	0	$2^{n-3}$
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-5}}bc \rangle$	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	0	0	$2^{n-3}$
$H(n)/H_i, 13 \leq i \leq 3n-4$							$\delta_{ij}$

*	$K_8$	$K_9$	$K_{10}$	$K_{11}$	$K_{12}$	$K_i, 13 \leq i \leq 3n-4$
$H(n)/e$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{n})/\langle \mathbf{a}^{2^{n-3}} \rangle$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle b \rangle$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-3}}b \rangle$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle bc \rangle$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-3}}bc \rangle$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{n})/\langle \mathbf{a}^{2^{n-4}} \rangle$	0	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-4}}b \rangle$	$2^{n-2}$	0	0	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-4}}bc \rangle$	0	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	0	...
$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{n})/\langle \mathbf{a}^{2^{n-5}} \rangle$	0	0	$2^{n-3}$	0	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-5}}b \rangle$	0	0	0	$2^{n-3}$	0	...
$H(n)/\langle a^{2^{n-5}}bc \rangle$	0	0	0	0	$2^{n-4}$	...
$H(n)/H_{i, 13 \leq i \leq 3n-4}$						

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