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is a close relationship between the two coefficient algebras. A new proof of this result was given by Solomon [22, Theorem 3]. This proof can be found in [11, p. 475-479).

The theorem was further refined by Brauer [7] and Witt [23]. They showed that for some quotient group  $\mathfrak{C}$  of  $\mathfrak{B}$ , the quotient  $\mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{A}\mathfrak{C}$  of  $\mathfrak{C}$  has a coefficient algebra of index  $p^a$ . The group  $\mathfrak{C}$  contains a cyclic normal subgroup  $\mathfrak{Z}$  for which  $\mathfrak{C}/\mathfrak{Z}$  is Abelian. A proof of this is given in [16, Lemma 1]. Yamada [24], [25] and [26] has investigated coefficient division algebras for certain special types of the groups just described.

The index  $m$  of a coefficient algebra must divide the order  $g$  of the group. Another bound on the index states that for a prime divisor  $p$  of  $m$ , the highest power of  $p$  dividing  $m$  must also divide  $q - 1$  for some prime divisor  $q$  of  $g$ . An exception to this can occur if  $g$  is a power of two; we may have  $m = 2$  in this case. This theorem is implicit in the work of Witt [23, Satz 12, p. 245] and was stated and proved independently by the author in [16].

Suppose a field  $\mathbf{F}$  is given and the question is asked: which division algebras with center  $\mathbf{F}$  appear as the coefficient algebras in some group algebra. This question has been answered for different fields by several authors in [3], [4], [13], [14], [15], [19] and [27]. Closely related problems have been investigated in [12].

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