# On p-permutation bimodules and equivalences between blocks of group algebras 

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- $\mathbb{Z}$-basis of $T^{\Delta}(A, B)$ : Isomorphism classes [ $M$ ] of indecomposable $p$-permutation $(A, B)$-bimodules $M$ with twisted diagonal vertices.

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Corollary Formula for $\left(M \otimes_{F H} N\right)(\Delta(P, \varphi, Q))$, for $p$-permutation bimodules $M$ and $N$ with twisted diagonal vertices.
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