

Hall subgroups and the pronormality

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Definition

A subgroup H of a group G is said to be *pronormal* if H and H^g are conjugate in $\langle H, H^g \rangle$ for every $g \in G$.

The notation “ $H \text{ prn } G$ ” means “ H is a pronormal subgroup of G ”.

Examples of pronormal subgroups

- Normal subgroups;
- Maximal subgroups;
- Sylow subgroups in finite groups;
- Sylow subgroups of normal subgroups in finite groups.

Definition

Let $p \in \mathbb{P}$. A subgroup P of a group G is called a *Sylow p -subgroup* if

- $|P|$ is a power of p (i. e., P is a *p -group*) while
- $|G : P|$ is not divisible by p .

Theorem (L. Sylow, 1872)

Let G be a finite group and let p be a prime. Then

\mathcal{E}_p G possesses a Sylow p -subgroup;

\mathcal{C}_p every two Sylow p -subgroups are conjugate;

\mathcal{D}_p every p -subgroup of G is included in a Sylow p -subgroup of G .

We denote by $\text{Syl}_p(G)$ the set of Sylow p -subgroup of a finite group G .

Corollary

Let G be a finite group. Then $P \text{ prn } G$ for every $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$.

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Let G be a finite group and $A \trianglelefteq G$. Then $P \text{ prn } G$ for every $P \in \text{Syl}_p(A)$.

Corollary (Frattni Argument)

Let G be a finite group, $A \trianglelefteq G$, and $P \in \text{Syl}_p(A)$. Then
$$G = AN_G(P).$$

The Frattini Argument is closely connected with the pronormality.

If $A \trianglelefteq G$ and $H \leq A$ then

$G = AN_G(H)$ iff H and H^g are conjugate in A for every $g \in G$
(we write $H^A = H^G$, where $H^G = \{H^g \mid g \in G\}$).

As a consequence, if $H \text{ prn } G$ then $G = AN_G(H)$.

A natural generalization of the concept of a Sylow p -subgroup is that of a π -Hall subgroup.

We fix a set $\pi \subseteq \mathbb{P}$. Put $\pi' = \mathbb{P} \setminus \pi$.

Definition

A subgroup H of a finite group G is called a π -Hall subgroup if

- every prime divisor of $|H|$ belongs to π (H is a π -subgroup) and
- every prime divisor of $|G : H|$ belongs to π' .

The set of all π -Hall subgroups of G is denoted by $\text{Hall}_\pi(G)$.

If $\pi = \{p\}$ then $\text{Hall}_\pi(G) = \text{Syl}_p(G)$.

What properties of Sylow subgroups hold for Hall subgroups?

What can one say about the pronormality of Hall subgroups?

Hall subgroups have some nice properties.

Proposition

Let G be a finite group, $A \trianglelefteq G$, and $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$. Then

- $H \cap A \in \text{Hall}_\pi(A)$ and
- $HA/A \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G/A)$.

The analogue of Sylow's Theorem fails for Hall subgroups:

- In Alt_5 of order $60 = 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$, there are no elements and subgroups of order 15, hence Alt_5 does not have $\{3, 5\}$ -Hall subgroups.
- In $\text{GL}_3(2)$ of order $168 = 2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 7$, there are exactly two conjugacy classes of subgroups of order $2^3 \cdot 3$ ($= \{2, 3\}$ -Hall subgroups): the stabilizers of lines and planes, respectively.
- Every subgroup of order $12 = 2^2 \cdot 3$ ($=$ a $\{2, 3\}$ -Hall subgroup) of Alt_5 is a point stabilizer, and all point stabilizers are conjugate. On the other hand, Alt_5 includes a $\{2, 3\}$ -subgroup $\langle (123), (12)(45) \rangle \simeq \text{Sym}_3$ which acts without fixed points.

Theorem (P. Hall, 1928)

Let G be a solvable finite group and let π be a set of primes.
Then

\mathcal{E}_π G possesses a π -Hall subgroup;

\mathcal{C}_π every two π -Hall subgroups of G are conjugate;

\mathcal{D}_π every π -subgroup of G is included in a π -Hall subgroup of G .

Corollary

Let G be a solvable group and $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$. Then $H \text{ prn } G$.

Definition (P.Hall)

Given a set of primes π , we say that a finite group G satisfies

- \mathcal{E}_π if $\text{Hall}_\pi(G) \neq \emptyset$ (i.e., there exists a π -Hall subgroup in G);
- \mathcal{C}_π if G satisfies \mathcal{E}_π and every two π -Hall subgroups of G are conjugate;
- \mathcal{D}_π if G satisfies \mathcal{C}_π and every π -subgroup of G is included in a π -Hall subgroup.

A group G satisfying \mathcal{E}_π (resp., \mathcal{C}_π , \mathcal{D}_π) is called an \mathcal{E}_π - (resp., \mathcal{C}_π -, \mathcal{D}_π -) *group*.

Given a set of primes π , we also denote by \mathcal{E}_π , \mathcal{C}_π , and \mathcal{D}_π the classes of all finite \mathcal{E}_π -, \mathcal{C}_π -, and \mathcal{D}_π - groups, respectively.

There exist sets $\pi \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ such that $\mathcal{E}_\pi = \mathcal{C}_\pi$.

Theorem (F.Gross, 1987)

If $2 \notin \pi$ then $\mathcal{E}_\pi = \mathcal{C}_\pi$.

Proposition

If $\mathcal{E}_\pi = \mathcal{C}_\pi$ for some π then π -Hall subgroups of finite groups are pronormal.

If $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$ then, given $g \in G$, we have $\langle H, H^g \rangle \in \mathcal{E}_\pi = \mathcal{C}_\pi$, and hence H and H^g are conjugate in $\langle H, H^g \rangle$.

Corollary

Hall subgroups of odd order are pronormal.

Let $\pi \subseteq \mathbb{P}$ and $\mathcal{E}_\pi \neq \mathcal{C}_\pi$.

Take $X \in \mathcal{E}_\pi \setminus \mathcal{C}_\pi$ and non-conjugate $U, V \in \text{Hall}_\pi(X)$.

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of Y are π -Hall in Y and in G . Moreover, $H^\tau = K$. But H and K are not conjugate in Y , and hence are non-pronormal in G .

In the talk we are concerned with the following problems:

- What can one say about \mathcal{E}_π -groups in which **there exists** a pronormal π -Hall subgroup?

(the results are obtained in collaboration with Prof. E.P.Vdovin)

- What can one say about \mathcal{E}_π -groups in which **every** π -Hall subgroup is pronormal?

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On the existence of pronormal subgroups in \mathcal{E}_π -groups
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Theorem (E.Vdovin, D.R., 2013)

In \mathcal{C}_π -groups, every π -Hall subgroup is pronormal.

This theorem is equivalent to the following statement.

Theorem (E.Vdovin, D.R., 2013)

Let $G \in \mathcal{C}_\pi$, $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$, and $H \leq M \leq G$. Then $M \in \mathcal{C}_\pi$.

In order to prove these theorems, the classification of finite simple groups and the classification of Hall subgroups in such groups are used.

Main ingredients of our proof:

- The theorem on the number of classes of conjugate π -Hall subgroups in finite simple groups (the Class Number Theorem);
- The converse to Gross' theorem on the existence of π -Hall subgroups;
- The theorem on the pronormality of Hall subgroups of finite simple groups.

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Thus, the class of groups containing a pronormal π -Hall subgroup coincides with \mathcal{E}_π .

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Corollary (E.Vdovin, D.R., 2006)

If $G \in \mathcal{D}_\pi$ and $A \trianglelefteq G$ then $A \in \mathcal{D}_\pi$.

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In our proof of this Theorem, we use the classification of finite simple groups and the classification of Hall subgroups in such groups.

If G is a finite group then we denote by $k_\pi(G)$ the number of classes of conjugate π -Hall subgroups of G .

Class Number Theorem (E.Vdovin and D.R., 2010, mod CFSG)

Let $S \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$ be a finite simple group. Then the following statements hold:

- if $2 \notin \pi$, then $k_\pi(S) = 1$;
- if $3 \notin \pi$, then $k_\pi(S) \in \{1, 2\}$;
- if $2, 3 \in \pi$, then $k_\pi(S) \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 9\}$.

In particular, $k_\pi(S)$ is a bounded π -number.

Furthermore, if $S \trianglelefteq G$ then we denote by $k_{\pi}^G(S)$ the number of classes of conjugate π -Hall subgroups K of S such that $K = H \cap S$ for some $H \in \text{Hall}_{\pi}(G)$.

As a consequence of the Class Number Theorem, we have

CNT-Corollary

Let $G \in \mathcal{E}_{\pi}$ possess a unique minimal normal subgroup S and let S be a finite simple group. Then the following statements hold:

- *if $2 \notin \pi$, then $k_{\pi}^G(S) = 1$;*
- *if $3 \notin \pi$, then $k_{\pi}^G(S) \in \{1, 2\}$;*
- *if $2, 3 \in \pi$, then $k_{\pi}^G(S) \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 9\}$.*

In particular, $k_{\pi}^G(S)$ is a π -number.

If $G \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$ and $A \trianglelefteq G$ then $H^G = H^A$ for some $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(A)$.

Firstly, let A be the unique minimal normal subgroup of G and let A be simple.

Denote by Ω the set of classes of conjugate π -Hall subgroups K of S such that $K = H \cap A$ for some $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$.

Then $|\Omega| = k_\pi^G(A)$ and G acts on Ω in a natural way.

Consider

$H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$ and $\mathcal{K} = (H \cap A)^A = \{H^a \cap A \mid a \in A\} \in \Omega$.

Since $H \cap A \trianglelefteq H$, H leaves invariant \mathcal{K} , and hence $H \leq G_{\mathcal{K}}$.

Thus, $|\mathcal{K}^G|$ divides $|G : H|$ and $|\mathcal{K}^G|$ is a π' -number.

On the other hand, $|\mathcal{K}^G| \leq |\Omega| = k_\pi^G(A)$. In view of CNT-Corollary, one of the following statements holds:

- $|\mathcal{K}^G|$ is a π -number;
- $2, 3 \in \pi$, $k_\pi^G(A) = 9$, and $|\mathcal{K}^G| \in \{5, 7\}$.

In the first case, $|\mathcal{K}^G| = 1$, i. e. $(H \cap A)^A = (H \cap A)^G$.

In the second case, the power of every orbit \mathcal{L}^G of G on Ω that differs from \mathcal{K}^G is at most 4. Hence $|\mathcal{L}^G|$ is a π -number and $|\mathcal{L}^G| = 1$.

Now consider the situation where A is a minimal normal subgroup (A is not necessarily simple and G does not necessarily have a unique minimal normal subgroup).

Definition

Suppose A, B, H are subgroups of G such that $B \trianglelefteq A$.

Then $N_H(A/B) = N_H(A) \cap N_H(B)$ is the *normalizer* of A/B in H .

If $x \in N_H(A/B)$ then x induces an automorphism of A/B by

$$Ba \mapsto Bx^{-1}ax.$$

Thus there exists a homomorphism $N_H(A/B) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(A/B)$.

The image of $N_H(A/B)$ under this homomorphism is denoted by $\text{Aut}_H(A/B)$ and is called the *group of H -induced automorphisms* of A/B .

Theorem (F.Gross, 1986)

Let $1 = G_0 < G_1 < \dots < G_n = G$ be a composition series for a finite group G which is a refinement of a chief series for G . If $\text{Aut}_G(G_i/G_{i-1}) \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, then $G \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$.

Theorem (E.Vdovin and D.R., 2011)

Let $1 = G_0 < G_1 < \dots < G_n = G$ be a composition series for a finite group G . If $G \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$ then $\text{Aut}_G(G_i/G_{i-1}) \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$ for all i .

In the considered situation, $A = S_1 \times \cdots \times S_n$,
where S_i are simple and $S_i = S_1^{g_i}$ for some $g_i \in G$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Then g_1, \dots, g_n is a right transversal for $N_G(S_1)$ in G .

By the converse to Gross' Theorem,
 $\text{Aut}_G(S_1) = N_G(S_1)/C_G(S_1) \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$.

By the above-considered case, $S_1 \cong \text{Inn}(S_1)$ includes an
 $\text{Aut}_G(S_1)$ -invariant conjugacy class \mathcal{K} of π -Hall subgroups.

Let $U \in \mathcal{K}$. Then

- $U^{g_i} \in \text{Hall}_\pi(S_i)$,
- $V = \langle U^{g_i} \mid i = 1, \dots, n \rangle \in \text{Hall}_\pi(A)$, and
- $V^G = V^A$, i.e., $G = AN_G(V)$.

Now, one can investigate the general situation in Theorem 3 by using induction on $|G|$.

Theorem 1: In an \mathcal{E}_π -group G , $H \text{ prn } G$ for some $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$.

Theorem (E.Vdovin, D.R., 2012)

In the finite simple groups, the Hall subgroups are pronormal.

Thus, we can assume that G is not simple. Let A be a minimal normal subgroup of G . Then $A = S_1 \times \cdots \times S_n$,

where S_i are simple. Moreover, $K \in \text{Hall}_\pi(A) \Rightarrow K \text{ prn } A$.

By Theorem 1, $G = AN_G(K)$ for some $K \in \text{Hall}_\pi(A)$.

By induction, $H/K \text{ prn } N_G(K)/K$ for some

$H/K \in \text{Hall}_\pi(N_G(K)/K)$ and $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$.

$$H/K \text{ prn } N_G(K)/K \Rightarrow HA/A \text{ prn } AN_G(K)/A = G/A.$$

Proposition

Let $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$, $A \trianglelefteq G$, and

- $HA/H \text{ prn } G/A$;
- $H \cap A \text{ prn } A$;
- $(H \cap A)^A = (H \cap A)^G$.

Then $H \text{ prn } G$.

Conjecture 1

Every Hall subgroup is pronormal in its normal closure.

If $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$ then $\langle H^G \rangle = O^{\pi'}(G)$.

Conjecture 1'

If $H \in \text{Hall}_\pi(G)$ and $\langle H^G \rangle = G$ then $H \text{ prn } G$.

A subgroup H of G is said to be *strongly pronormal* if K^g is conjugate to a subgroup of H in $\langle H, K^g \rangle$ for every $g \in G$ and $K \leq H$.

Conjecture 2

Every pronormal Hall subgroup is strongly pronormal.

Conjecture 3

Every \mathcal{E}_π -group contains a strongly pronormal π -Hall subgroup.

On \mathcal{E}_π -groups in which every π -Hall subgroup is pronormal
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By analogy with P.Hall's notation, we will say that a group G satisfies \mathcal{P}_π (is a \mathcal{P}_π -group, belongs to the class \mathcal{P}_π) if $G \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$ and every π -Hall subgroups in G is pronormal.

Theorem

- (1) If $G \in \mathcal{E}_\pi$ is simple then $G \in \mathcal{P}_\pi$.
- (2) $\mathcal{C}_\pi \subseteq \mathcal{P}_\pi \subseteq \mathcal{E}_\pi$.
- (3) If $\mathcal{C}_\pi \subset \mathcal{E}_\pi$ then $\mathcal{C}_\pi \subset \mathcal{P}_\pi \subset \mathcal{E}_\pi$.

$s\mathfrak{X} = \{G \mid G \text{ is isomorphic to a subgroup of } H \in \mathfrak{X}\};$

$Q\mathfrak{X} = \{G \mid G \text{ is an epimorphic image of } H \in \mathfrak{X}\};$

$S_n\mathfrak{X} = \{G \mid G \text{ is isomorphic to a subnormal subgroup of } H \in \mathfrak{X}\}$

$R_0\mathfrak{X} = \{G \mid \exists N_i \trianglelefteq G \ (i = 1, \dots, m) \text{ with } G/N_i \in \mathfrak{X} \text{ and } \bigcap_{i=1}^m N_i = 1\};$

$N_0\mathfrak{X} = \{G \mid \exists N_i \trianglelefteq\trianglelefteq G \ (i = 1, \dots, m) \text{ with } N_i \in \mathfrak{X} \text{ and } G = \langle N_1, \dots, N_m \rangle\};$

$E\mathfrak{X} = \{G \mid G \text{ possesses a series } 1 = G_0 \trianglelefteq G_1 \trianglelefteq \dots \trianglelefteq G_m = G \text{ with } G_i/G_{i-1} \in \mathfrak{X} \ (i = 1, \dots, m)\}.$

If $\pi = \{3, 5\}$ then the classes \mathcal{D}_π , \mathcal{C}_π , \mathcal{P}_π , and \mathcal{E}_π are not s-closed: $SL_2(16) \in \mathcal{D}_\pi$ while $SL_2(4) \cong Alt_5 \notin \mathcal{E}_\pi$.

Table: Is it true that $c\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{X}$, $\mathfrak{X} \in \{\mathcal{D}_\pi, \mathcal{E}_\pi, \mathcal{C}_\pi, \mathcal{P}_\pi\}$?

C	\mathcal{D}_π	\mathcal{E}_π	\mathcal{C}_π	\mathcal{P}_π
S	no	no	no	no
Q	yes	yes	yes	yes
S_n	yes	yes	no	no
R_0	yes	yes	yes	yes
N_0	yes	no	yes	no
E	yes	no	yes	no

Theorem (Wenbin Guo, D.R., mod CFSG)

The following statements hold:

- (A) $c\mathcal{P}_\pi = \mathcal{P}_\pi$ for every set π of primes and $C \in \{Q, R_0\}$.
- (B) If $C \in \{S, S_n, N_0, E\}$, then $c\mathcal{P}_\pi \neq \mathcal{P}_\pi$ for a set π of primes.
- (C) If $C \in \{S_n, E\}$ and $c\mathcal{P}_\pi = \mathcal{P}_\pi$ for a set π of primes then $c\mathcal{E}_\pi = \mathcal{E}_\pi$ and $c\mathcal{C}_\pi = \mathcal{C}_\pi$.

Corollary (Wenbin Guo, D.R., mod CFSG)

Let $C \in \{S, Q, S_n, R_0, N_0, E\}$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) $C\mathcal{P}_\pi = \mathcal{P}_\pi$ for every set π of primes;
- (2) $C\mathcal{E}_\pi = \mathcal{E}_\pi$ and $C\mathcal{C}_\pi = \mathcal{C}_\pi$ for every set π of primes.

Corollary (Wenbin Guo, D.R., mod CFSG)

For a set π of primes, \mathcal{P}_π is a saturated formation.

Corollary (Wenbin Guo, D.R.)

There exist sets π (for example, $\pi = \{2, 3\}$) of primes such that \mathcal{P}_π is not a Fitting class.

Proposition (mod CFSG)

If $\mathcal{E}_\pi = \mathcal{C}_\pi$ and $C \in \{Q, S_n, R_0, N_0, E\}$ then $C\mathcal{P}_\pi = \mathcal{P}_\pi$.
In particular, \mathcal{P}_π is a Fitting class.

Thank you for your attention!