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Task 1: -

Let $(D,*)$ be a non-abelian group with 75 elements. For each prime factor p of $|D|$, find n_p . Is D simple? Explain?

Solution:

If we rewrite the order of D as:

$$|D| = 75 = 5^2 \cdot 3$$

Then:

$$p = 5, k = 2, m = 3$$

Let n_5 be the number of all distinct Sylow-5-subgroups of D .
then:

$$p|(n_p - 1) \text{ and } n_p|m$$

$$5|n_5 - 1 \text{ and } n_5|3$$

Thus, $n_5 = 1$.

Such subgroup is unique and hence it is normal in D and
Therefore D is not simple.

The reason is: $(D, *)$ is called Simple if the trivial groups $\{e\}, \{D\}$ are the only normal subgroup of D .

Again if we rewrite the order of D as:

$$|D| = 75 = 3 \cdot 5^2$$

Then:

$$p = 3, k = 3, m = 25$$

Let n_3 be the number of all distinct Sylow-3-subgroups of D .
then:

$$p | (n_p - 1) \text{ and } n_p | m$$

$$3 | (n_3 - 1) \text{ and } n_3 | 25$$

In this case we have Two scenarios:

First scenario: -

$$n_3 = 1.$$

Thus, $n_3 = 1$.

Such subgroup is unique and hence it is normal in D and there for D is not simple.

Second scenario: -

$$n_3 = 25.$$

This we have 25 distinct Sylow-3-Subgroups of D and each one of them is order 3.

Say $\{H_1, H_2 \dots H_{25}\}$

Now lets calculate the order of:

$$|H_1 \cup H_2 \cup \dots \cup H_{25}| = 51$$

Thus we must have only on Sylow-5-Subgroup, Such group has 25 elements. And since it is unique it is normal in D.

Thus D is not simple.

Task 2: -

Let D be a group with 40 elements. Assume that D has a normal abelian subgroup with 8 elements.

a) For each prime factor p of $|D|$, find n_p .

If we rewrite the order of D as:

$$|D| = 40 = 5^1 \cdot 2^3$$

Then:

$$p = 5, k = 1, m = 8$$

Let n_5 be the number of all distinct Sylow-5-subgroups of D .
then:

$$p | (n_p - 1) \text{ and } n_p | m$$

$$5 | (n_5 - 1) \text{ and } n_5 | 8$$

Thus, $n_5 = 1$.

Thus such subgroup is unique and hence it is normal in D .

The reason is: $(D, *)$ is called Simple if the trivial groups $\{e\}, \{D\}$ are the only normal subgroup of D .

Again if we rewrite the order of D as:

$$|D| = 40 = 2^3 \cdot 5$$

Then:

$$p = 2, k = 3, m = 5$$

Let n_2 be the number of all distinct Sylow-2-subgroups of D .

And since it is given that D has normal abelian with 8 elements,

And since n_2 is to order 8 it is unique in D .

Thus $n_2 = 1$.

b) Then prove that D is abelian. Assume that D has a normal abelian subgroup with 8 elements.

To prove that D is abelian we need to show it is cyclic

And we will do that by using the 3rd important result after Lagrange.

Lets cook it 😊

From part A: D has one normal subgroups of order 5,

Say K , $K \triangleleft D$, and $|K| = 5$.

Also given that D has a normal abelian subgroup with 8 elements. Let it be H , $H \triangleleft D$

Thus $|H| = 8$.

$$|H \times K| = \frac{|H||K|}{|H \cap K|}$$

And since; $H \cap K = \{e\}$, $|H \cap K| = 1$

Therefore:

$$|H \times K| = \frac{|8| \cdot |5|}{|1|} = 40 = |D|$$

$$D \cong \frac{D}{H} \times \frac{D}{K}$$

$$D \cong K \times H$$

Now, and since K is cyclic with 5 elements it is isomorphic to Z_5 .

Since H is normal abelian with 8 elements it is isomorphic to:

Either $H \cong Z_8$

Or $H \cong Z_2 \times Z_4$

Or $H \cong Z_2 \times Z_2 \times Z_2$

Hence, $D \cong Z_8 \times Z_5$ and since $\gcd(8,5) = 1$

Therefore D is cyclic.

And every cyclic group is abelian.

c) Up to isomorphism classify all abelian groups of order 40.

We rewrite the order of D as:

$$|D| = 40 = 2^3 \cdot 5$$

We need to find all partitions of 3 and 1

Partitions of 3 are:

$$\begin{aligned} 3 &\rightarrow Z_8 \\ 1 + 2 &\rightarrow Z_2 \times Z_4 \\ 1 + 1 + 1 &\rightarrow Z_2 \times Z_2 \times Z_2 \end{aligned}$$

and there is only one Partition of 1 which is:

$$1 \rightarrow Z_5$$

Now we will pair up each one of them by direct product and hence the group with 40 elements is Isomorphic to either:

$$D \cong \mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 \text{ or } \mathbb{Z}_{40}$$

$$D \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 \text{ or } \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{20}$$

$$D \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 \text{ or } \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{10}$$

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THANK YOU FOR LISTENING

