

## Varietal Nilpotent Groups

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**Abstract:** Let  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by a set  $V$  of laws. A group  $G$  is said to be  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent if there exists series normal of  $G$  where quotient groups contained in  $\mathfrak{V}$ -marginal factor of  $G$ . In this note, it is shown that if  $G$  be a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group and  $N \trianglelefteq G$  such that  $|N| = p^n$  then  $N$  contained in  $V^n(G)$ .

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### INTRODUCTION

Let  $F$  be a free group on a countably infinite set  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  and let  $V$  be a subset of  $F$  and  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by a set  $V$  of laws [3].

Let  $G$  be an arbitrary group with a normal subgroup  $N$ , then we define the verbal subgroup  $V(G)$  and the marginal subgroup  $V^*(G)$  and  $[NV^*G]$  as follows

$$V(G) = \{v(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n); v \in V, g_i \in G, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

$$V^*(G) = \left\{ g \in G; v(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_i, g, \dots, g_n) = v(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_i, \dots, g_n), \right. \\ \left. v \in V, g_i \in G, 1 \leq i \leq n \right\}$$

$$[NV^*G] = \left\{ v(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_i, a, \dots, g_n) v(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_i, \dots, g_n)^{-1}; \right. \\ \left. v \in V, g_i \in G, a \in N, 1 \leq i \leq n \right\}$$

It is easy to check that the verbal subgroup  $V(G)$  is a fully invariant subgroup and the marginal subgroup  $V^*(G)$  is a characteristic subgroup in  $G$  and  $[NV^*G]$  is the smallest normal subgroup of  $G$  contained in  $N$ , such

$$\text{that } \frac{N}{[NV^*G]} \leq V^* \left( \frac{G}{[NV^*G]} \right).$$

The following lemma give basic properties of verbal and marginal subgroups of a group  $G$  with respect to the variety, which are useful in our investigation [1, 2] for the proofs.

**Lemma 1.1:** Let  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by the set of laws and let  $N$  be a normal subgroup of a group  $G$ . Then the following statements hold:

$$(i) \quad V(V^*(G)) = 1 \text{ and } V^* \left( \frac{G}{V(G)} \right) = \frac{G}{V(G)}$$

$$(ii) \quad V(G) = 1 \text{ iff } V^*(G) = G \text{ iff } G \in \mathfrak{V};$$

$$(iii) \quad [NV^*G] = 1 \text{ iff } N \leq V^*(G);$$

$$(iv) \quad V \left( \frac{G}{N} \right) = \frac{V(G)N}{N} \text{ and } \frac{V^*(G)N}{N} \leq V^* \left( \frac{G}{N} \right);$$

$$(v) \quad V(N) \leq [NV^*G] \leq N \cap V(G), \text{ in particular, } \\ V(G) = [GV^*G];$$

$$(vi) \quad N \cap V(G) = 1 \text{ then } N \leq V^*(G) \text{ and } \\ V^*(G/N) = (V^*(G))/N$$

$$(vii) \quad [G, N] \leq V^*(G) \text{ and } [V(G), V^*(G)] = 1$$

$$(viii) \quad (G) \cap V^*(G), \text{ is contained in the Frattini subgroup of } G.$$

**Theorem 1.2:** [1] Let  $H \leq G$  and  $N \trianglelefteq G$  such that  $G = HN$ . Let  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety. Then  $V(G) = V(H) [NV^*G]$

Let  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety of groups, we define the lower  $\mathfrak{V}$ -verbal series of  $\mathfrak{V}$  to be

$$G = V^0(G) \geq V^1(G) \geq \dots \geq V^n(G) \geq \dots,$$

where, for  $n > 0$ ,  $V^n(G) = V(V^{n-1}(G))$ . It is easy that

$$\frac{V^{n-1}(G)}{V^n(G_0)}$$

The upper  $\theta$ -marginal series of  $G$  to be

$$1 = V_0^*(G) \leq V_1^*(G) \leq \dots \leq V_n^*(G) \leq \dots,$$

$$\text{where, for } n > 0, \frac{V_n^*(G)}{V_{n-1}^*(G)} = V^*\left(\frac{G}{V_{n-1}^*(G)}\right).$$

The corresponding lower  $\theta$ -marginal series of  $G$  given by

$$G = V_0(G) \geq V_1(G) \geq \dots \geq V_n(G) \geq \dots,$$

where, for  $n > 0$ ,  $V_n(G) = [V_{n-1}(G)V^*G]$  also [4,5].

By using definition and lemma 1.1, the following properties hold, for  $i, j \geq 0$

- (i)  $V^i(V^j(G)) = V^{i+j}(G)$  ;
- (ii)  $V_i^*\left(\frac{G}{V_j^*(G)}\right) = \frac{V_{i+j}^*(G)}{V_j^*(G)}$  ;
- (iii)  $\frac{V_i(G)}{V_{i+1}(G)} \leq V^*\left(\frac{G}{V_{i+1}(G)}\right)$  ;
- (iv)  $V^*\left(\frac{V^i(G)}{V^{i+1}(G)}\right) = \frac{V^i(G)}{V^{i+1}(G)}$  ;

**Definition 1.3:** A group  $G$  is said to be  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent if there exist a series

$$1 = G_0 \leq G_1 \leq \dots \leq G_k = G$$

Such that  $G_i \triangleleft G$  and  $\frac{G_{i+1}}{G_i} \leq V^*\left(\frac{G}{G_i}\right)$ , for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ .

The length of the shortest series (\*) is the  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent class of  $G$ .

The class of  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent groups is closed under the formation of subgroups, images and finite direct products.

**Theorem 1.4:** [4] A group  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent of class  $n$  iff

$$V_{n+1}(G) = 1 \text{ iff } V^n(G) = G$$

**Theorem 1.5:** [5] If  $V = \{[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]\}$  and  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by  $V$  and  $G$  be an arbitrary group such that  $\frac{G}{V^*G_0}$  is a cyclic group then  $V^*(G) = G$ .

**Theorem 1.6:** [4] If  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group and  $1 \neq N \leq G$ , then  $N \cap V^*(G) \neq 1$ .

### MAIN RESULT

Let  $G$  be an arbitrary group and  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety of groups. If  $V^*(G)$  is trivial then one easily shows that  $V_n^*(G) = 1$ , for  $n \geq 1$ . In this case if  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group then  $G$  is trivial group.

**Theorem 2.1:** If  $V = \{[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]\}$  and  $\mathfrak{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by  $V$  and  $G$  be a finite  $P$ -group where  $P$  is prime number then  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group.

**Proof:** Let  $|G| = p^m$  by induction on the order of  $G$ . If

$$|G| = P \text{ and if } |V^*(G)| = 1 \text{ implies that } \left| \frac{G}{V^*(G)} \right| = P \text{ by}$$

theorem 1.5, i.e.  $|V^*(G)| = P$  and this is contradiction with assumption, hence  $|V^*(G)| = P$  i.e.  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group of class one. Now assume that  $m \geq 1$  and  $|G| = p^m$  if  $V^*(G) = G$  then  $G$  is  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group

otherwise the order of  $\frac{G}{V^*(G)}$  is less than  $p^m$  by the

induction hypothesis, this group is a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group and has the upper  $\mathfrak{V}$ -marginal series as follows that

$$1 = \frac{G_0}{V^*(G)} \leq \frac{G_1}{V^*(G)} \leq \dots \leq \frac{G_k}{V^*(G)} = \frac{G}{V^*(G)}$$

by isomorphic theorems we have  $\frac{G_i}{G_{i-1}} \leq V^*\left(\frac{G}{G_{i-1}}\right)$  it

follows that there exist a upper  $\mathfrak{V}$ -marginal series for  $G$  as follows that

$$1 = G_0 \leq G_1 \leq \dots \leq G_k = G$$

i.e.  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{V}$ -nilpotent group. ■

**Corollary 2.2:** If  $V = \{[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]\}$  and  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a variety of groups defined by  $V$  and  $G$  be a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group of class  $C > 1$  then  $V_{c-1}^*(G)$  is not cyclic.

**Proof:** let  $\frac{G}{V_{c-1}^*(G)}$  be cyclic, then

$$\frac{\frac{G}{V_{c-2}^*(G)}}{V_{c-2}^*\left(\frac{G}{V_{c-2}^*(G)}\right)} = \frac{\frac{G}{V_{c-2}^*(G)}}{\frac{V_{c-1}^*(G)}{V_{c-2}^*(G)}} \approx \frac{G}{V_{c-1}^*(G)}$$

By theorem 1.5 we have

$$\frac{V_{c-1}^*(G)}{V_{c-2}^*(G)} = V_{c-2}^*\left(\frac{G}{V_{c-2}^*(G)}\right) = \frac{G}{V_{c-2}^*(G)}$$

i.e.  $G = V_{c-1}^*(G)$  and this is contradiction with assumption.

**Theorem 2.3:** If  $G$  be a group,  $N \leq V^*(G)$  and  $G/N$  be a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group then  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group.

**Proof:** Let  $G/N$  be a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group thus there exist a normal series as follows

$$1 = \frac{G_1}{N} \leq \frac{G_2}{N} \leq \dots \leq \frac{G_n}{N} = \frac{G}{N}$$

Such that

$$\frac{\frac{G_{i+1}}{N}}{\frac{G_i}{N}} \leq V^*\left(\frac{\frac{G}{N}}{\frac{G_i}{N}}\right)$$

By isomorphic theorems we have

$$\frac{G_{i+1}}{G_i} \leq V^*\left(\frac{G}{G_i}\right) \text{ and the normal series}$$

$$1 = G_0 \leq G_1 = N \leq \dots \leq G_n = G$$

Such that  $\frac{G_1}{G_0} \leq V^*\left(\frac{G}{G_0}\right)$  thus  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group.

**Theorem 2.4:** If  $G$  be a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group and  $N \trianglelefteq G$  such that  $|N| = p^n$  then  $N \leq V_n^*(G)$ .

**Proof:** By Induction we have if  $n = 1$  and  $|N| = P$  then  $1 \neq N \cap V^*(G) \leq N$  thus  $|N \cap V^*(G)| = P = |N|$  it follows that  $N \cap V^*(G) = N$  hence  $N \leq V^*(G)$ . Let the assertion hold for every number less than  $n$  and  $|N| = p^n$  and

$M = N \cap V^*(G) \neq 1$  then  $|N/M| = p^m$  and  $m < n$ . By isomorphic theorems we have

$$\frac{N}{M} = \frac{N}{N \cap V^*(G)} \cong \frac{NV^*(G)}{V^*(G)}$$

By Induction hypothesis

$$\frac{NV^*(G)}{V^*(G)} \leq V_m^*\left(\frac{G}{V^*(G)}\right) = \frac{V_{m+1}^*(G)}{V^*(G)}$$

that implies that  $N \leq V_{m+1}^*(G) \leq V_n^*(G)$

**Theorem 2.5:** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a variety of groups,  $G$  be a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group of class  $n$  and  $G = H V(G)$  then  $G = H$ .

**Proof:** By Induction we have  $G = H V_n(G)$  hence by theorem 1.2  $V(G) = V(H)[V_n(G)V^*(G)]$  it follows that  $G = H V(G) = H V(H)V_{n+1}(G) = H V_{n+1}(G)$  and since  $G$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group thus  $V_{n+1}(G) = 1$  hence the result follows immediately.

**Theorem 2.6:** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a variety of groups and  $G$  be a finite group. Then there is a subgroup  $H$  such that  $G = H V^*(G)$  and  $H \cap V^*(G)$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group.

**Proof:** by Induction on the  $|G|$ , if  $V^*(G) \subseteq \Phi(G)$  then trivially  $G = H$  and since  $V(V^*(G)) = 1$  thus  $V^*(G)$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent. Thus  $H \cap V^*(G) = V^*(G)$  the result follows. Now if  $V^*(G) \not\subseteq \Phi(G)$  then there is a maximal subgroup  $M$  such that  $V^*(G) \not\subseteq M$ . By hypothesis induction there is  $H \leq M$  such that  $M = H(V^*(G) \cap M)$  and  $H \cap (V^*(G) \cap M) = H \cap V^*(G)$  is a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -nilpotent group thus  $G = H V^*(G)$  and the assertion hold.

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