

“HASSE PRINCIPLE” FOR FINITE p -GROUPS WITH CYCLIC SUBGROUPS OF INDEX p^2

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let G be a group. A map $f: G \longrightarrow G$ satisfying $f(xy) = f(x)f(y)^x$ for every $x, y \in G$, where $f(y)^x = xf(y)x^{-1}$, is called a cocycle of G . Let f be a cocycle of G . If, for every $x \in G$, there exists $a \in G$ such that $f(x) = a^{-1}a^x$ then f is called a local coboundary, and if there exists $a \in G$ such that $f(x) = a^{-1}a^x$ for every $x \in G$ then f is called a (global) coboundary. G is said to enjoy “Hasse principle” if every local coboundary of G is a coboundary. Abelian groups trivially enjoy “Hasse principle”. It is known that a finite group G enjoys “Hasse principle” if and only if every conjugacy preserving automorphism of G is an inner automorphism ([6], Theorem 3.1).

Some types of groups enjoying “Hasse principle” are known ([1], [2], [3], [5], [6], [7], [8], [9]). For finite p -groups, it is known that the following groups enjoy “Hasse principle”.

- (1) finite p -groups with cyclic subgroups of index p ([1]);
- (2) extraspecial p -groups ([1]);
- (3) finite p -groups of order p^4 ([2]).

Among the known results, the following are useful for our study:

Theorem 1 ([2]). *Metacyclic groups enjoy “Hasse principle”.*

Theorem 2 ([3]). *Let H be a central subgroup of G . If G/H is generated by xH and yH ($x, y \in G$) and every element of G/H can be written as $x^r y^s H$, then G enjoys “Hasse principle”.*

Recently, M. Kumar and L. R. Vermani [3] proved that for an odd prime p , every non-abelian finite p -group of order p^m having a normal cyclic subgroup of order p^{m-2} but having no element of order p^{m-1} enjoys “Hasse principle”. Further they have described that there are fourteen 2-groups (up to isomorphism) of order 2^m of the above type and they showed that twelve of them enjoy “Hasse principle” but remaining two do not enjoy “Hasse principle”. In [4], for any prime p , all finite non-abelian p -groups of order p^m having cyclic subgroups of order p^{m-2} but having no element of order p^{m-1} are classified. From the result we see that there is a missing group in a description in [3], which is given by

$$\langle a, b \mid a^{2^{m-2}} = 1, b^4 = a^{2^{m-3}}, b^{-1}ab = a^{-1} \rangle$$

(see [4], Remark 3 (1)). This group is metacyclic, and so enjoys “Hasse principle”. Further, two groups given in [3], Theorem 3.4 are isomorphic (see [4], Remark 3 (2)).

In this note we report that every non-abelian p -group of order p^m having a cyclic subgroup of order p^{m-2} but having no normal cyclic subgroup of order p^{m-2} and no element of order p^{m-1} enjoys “Hasse principle”. From now on suppose that G is a non-abelian p -group of this type.

(I) For an odd prime p , there are seven possibilities about G . Using notation given in [4], we here list these groups:

$$G_1 = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{p^{m-2}} = 1, y^p = z^p = 1, xy = yx, z^{-1}xz = xy, \\ yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 3);$$

$$G_5 = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{p^{m-2}} = 1, y^p = z^p = 1, xy = yx, z^{-1}xz = xy, \\ z^{-1}yz = x^{p^{m-3}}y \rangle \quad (m \geq 4);$$

$$G_6 = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{p^{m-2}} = 1, y^p = z^p = 1, xy = yx, z^{-1}xz = xy, \\ z^{-1}yz = x^r y \rangle \quad (m \geq 4),$$

where r is a quadratic nonresidue mod p .

$$G_7 = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{p^{m-2}} = 1, y^p = z^p = 1, y^{-1}xy = x^{1+p^{m-3}}, \\ z^{-1}xz = xy, yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 4);$$

$$G_9 = \langle x, y \mid x^{p^{m-2}} = 1, y^{p^2} = 1, y^{-1}xy = x^{1+p} \rangle \quad (m \geq 5);$$

$$G_{10} = \langle x, y \mid x^{p^2} = 1, x^{p^{p-3}} = y^{p^2}, y^{-1}xy = x^{1-p} \rangle \quad (m \geq 6);$$

$$G_{11} = \langle x, y, z \mid x^9 = 1, y^3 = 1, z^3 = x^3, xy = yx, z^{-1}xz = xy, \\ z^{-1}yz = x^6y \rangle$$

By Theorem 2, G_1 enjoys “Hasse principle”, and because G_9 and G_{10} are metacyclic by Theorem 1, they also enjoy “Hasse principle”.

(II) For $p = 2$, there are twelve possibilities about G . Again, using notation in [4], we list these groups:

$$G_5 = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = z^2 = 1, xy = yx, z^{-1}xz = xy, \\ yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 4);$$

$$G_9 = \langle x, y \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^4 = 1, x^{-1}yx = y^{-1} \rangle \quad (m \geq 5);$$

$$G_{13} = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = z^2 = 1, xy = yx, z^{-1}xz = x^{-1}y, \\ yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 5);$$

$$G_{14} = \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = 1, z^2 = x^{2^{m-3}}, xy = yx, \\ z^{-1}xz = x^{-1}y, yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 5);$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{17} &= \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = z^2 = 1, y^{-1}xy = x^{1+2^{m-3}}, \\
 &\quad z^{-1}xz = xy, yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 5); \\
 G_{18} &= \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = 1, z^2 = y, y^{-1}xy = x^{1+2^{m-3}}, \\
 &\quad z^{-1}xz = x^{-1}y \rangle \quad (m \geq 5); \\
 G_{21} &= \langle x, y \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, x^{2^{m-3}} = y^4, x^{-1}yx = y^{-1} \rangle \quad (m \geq 6); \\
 G_{22} &= \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = z^2 = 1, xy = yx, \\
 &\quad z^{-1}xz = x^{1+2^{m-4}}y, z^{-1}yz = x^{2^{m-3}}y \rangle \quad (m \geq 6); \\
 G_{23} &= \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = z^2 = 1, xy = yx, \\
 &\quad z^{-1}xz = x^{-1+2^{m-4}}y, z^{-1}yz = x^{2^{m-3}}y \rangle \quad (m \geq 6); \\
 G_{24} &= \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = z^2 = 1, y^{-1}xy = x^{1+2^{m-3}}, \\
 &\quad z^{-1}xz = x^{-1+2^{m-4}}y, yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 6); \\
 G_{25} &= \langle x, y, z \mid x^{2^{m-2}} = 1, y^2 = 1, z^2 = x^{2^{m-3}}, y^{-1}xy = x^{1+2^{m-3}}, \\
 &\quad z^{-1}xz = x^{-1+2^{m-4}}y, yz = zy \rangle \quad (m \geq 6); \\
 G_{26} &= \langle x, y, z \mid x^8 = 1, y^2 = 1, z^2 = x^4, y^{-1}xy = x^5, \\
 &\quad z^{-1}xz = xy, yz = zy \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2, G_5 , G_{13} and G_{14} enjoy “Hasse principle”. Because G_9 and G_{21} are metacyclic, they also enjoy “Hasse principle”.

In what follows, we denote by $\text{Aut}_c G$ and $\text{Inn } G$ the set of automorphisms which preserves each conjugacy class of G and the inner automorphism group of G , respectively.

2. THE CASE p ODD

In [2], it has been shown that if every $f \in \text{Aut}_c G$ that fixes one of the generating elements of G is in $\text{Inn } G$, then G enjoys “Hasse principle”. Let p be an odd prime. We here show that the groups G_5 , G_6 , G_7 and G_{11} given in (I) enjoy “Hasse principle”.

G_5 and G_6 enjoy “Hasse principle”.

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_5$ such that $f(z) = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_5$ with $0 \leq i, r < p^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < p$ such that $f(x) = a^{-1}xa$, $f(y) = b^{-1}yb$, and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= z^{-k} y^{-j} x^{-i} \cdot x \cdot x^i y^j z^k = z^{-k} x z^k, \\
 f(y) &= z^{-t} y^{-s} x^{-r} \cdot y \cdot x^r y^s z^t = z^{-t} y z^t.
 \end{aligned}$$

As $z^{-1}xz = xy$ and $z^{-1}yz = x^{p^{m-3}}y$ we have

$$z^{-k}xz^k = x^{1+(1+2+\dots+(k-1))p^{m-3}}y^k = x^{1+\frac{k(k-1)}{2}p^{m-3}}y^k.$$

We also have $z^{-t}yz^t = x^{tp^{m-3}}y$. Therefore $f(x) = x^{1+\frac{k(k-1)}{2}p^{m-3}}y^k$, $f(y) = x^{tp^{m-3}}y$. Since f is an automorphism,

$$f(z)^{-1}f(x)f(z) = f(z^{-1}xz) = f(xy) = f(x)f(y).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(z)^{-1}f(x)f(z) &= z^{-1}(x^{1+\frac{k(k-1)}{2}p^{m-3}}y^k)z \\ &= (z^{-1}xz)^{1+\frac{k(k-1)}{2}p^{m-3}}(z^{-1}yz)^k \\ &= x^{1+(k+\frac{k(k-1)}{2})p^{m-3}}y^{1+k}, \\ f(x)f(y) &= x^{1+\frac{k(k-1)}{2}p^{m-3}}y^k x^{tp^{m-3}}y \\ &= x^{1+(t+\frac{k(k-1)}{2})p^{m-3}}y^{1+k}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the following congruence holds:

$$1 + \left(k + \frac{k(k-1)}{2}\right)p^{m-3} \equiv 1 + \left(t + \frac{k(k-1)}{2}\right)p^{m-3} \pmod{p^{m-2}}.$$

From this it follows that $k \equiv t \pmod{p}$. Then because $0 \leq k, t < p$, we have $k = t$. Thus we have $f(x) = z^{-k}xz^k$, $f(y) = z^{-k}yz^k$, $f(z) = z^{-k}zz^k$. This shows that $f \in \text{Inn } G_5$, and so G_5 enjoys ‘‘Hasse principle’’. By an analogous argument we can show that G_6 enjoys ‘‘Hasse principle’’. \square

In the rest of the paper, we proceed with a similar argument as above. Given $f \in \text{Aut}_c G$, the image $f(g)$ of $g \in G$ will be denoted by \bar{g} .

G_7 enjoys ‘‘Hasse principle’’.

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_7$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_7$ with $0 \leq i, r < p^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < p$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1}xa$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1}yb$. We then have $\bar{x} = x^{1+jp^{m-3}}y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{-rp^{m-3}}y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Since f is an automorphism, $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}\bar{y}$. Because $\bar{x}\bar{y} = x^{1+(j-r)p^{m-3}}y^{k+1}$, $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x^{1+jp^{m-3}}y^{k+1}$, we have

$$\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}\bar{y} \iff rp^{m-3} \equiv 0 \pmod{p^{m-2}}.$$

Thus we have $\bar{x} = x^{1+jp^{m-3}}y^k$, $\bar{y} = y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Therefore setting $u = y^j z^k$, we have

$$f(x) = u^{-1}xu, \quad f(y) = u^{-1}yu, \quad f(z) = u^{-1}zu,$$

and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_7$. \square

G_{11} enjoys ‘‘Hasse principle’’.

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{11}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{11}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 9$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 3$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1} x a$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1} y b$. We then have $\bar{x} = x^{1+3k(k-1)} y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{6t} y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Since f is an automorphism, $\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = \bar{x} \bar{y}$. Because $\bar{x} \bar{y} = x^{1+6t+3k(k-1)} y^{k+1}$, $\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = x^{1+6k+3k(k-1)} y^{k+1}$, we have $\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = \bar{x} \bar{y} \iff k = t$. Thus we have $\bar{x} = x^{1+3k(k-1)} y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{6k} y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Therefore setting $u = z^k$, we have

$$f(x) = u^{-1} x u, \quad f(y) = u^{-1} y u, \quad f(z) = u^{-1} z u,$$

and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{11}$. \square

3. THE CASE $p = 2$

We here show that the groups G_{17} , G_{18} , G_{22} , G_{24} , G_{25} and G_{26} given in (II) enjoy "Hasse principle".

G_{17} enjoys "Hasse principle".

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{17}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{17}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 2^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 2$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1} x a$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1} y b$. We then have $\bar{x} = x^{1+j2^{m-3}} y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{r2^{m-3}} y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Since f is an automorphism, we have $\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = \bar{x} \bar{y}$. Because $\bar{x} \bar{y} = x^{1+(j+r)2^{m-3}} y^{k+1}$, $\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = x^{1+j2^{m-3}} y^{k+1}$, $\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = \bar{x} \bar{y} \iff r \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Thus we have $\bar{x} = x^{1+j2^{m-3}} y^k$, $\bar{y} = y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Therefore setting $u = y^j z^k$, we have $\bar{x} = u^{-1} x u$, $\bar{y} = u^{-1} y u$, $\bar{z} = u^{-1} z u$, and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{17}$. \square

G_{18} enjoys "Hasse principle".

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{18}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{18}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 2^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 2$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1} x a$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1} y b$. We then have $\bar{x} = x^{j2^{m-3} + (-1)^k(1+k2^{m-4}) + k^2 2^{m-4}} y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{r2^{m-3}} y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Since f is an automorphism, we have $\bar{z}^2 = \bar{y}$. Because $y = \bar{z}^2 = x^{r2^{m-3}} y$, $\bar{z}^2 = \bar{y} \iff r \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Thus we have $\bar{x} = x^{j2^{m-3} + (-1)^k(1+k2^{m-4}) + k^2 2^{m-4}} y^k$, $\bar{y} = y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Therefore setting $u = y^j z^k$, we have $\bar{x} = u^{-1} x u$, $\bar{y} = u^{-1} y u$, $\bar{z} = u^{-1} z u$, and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{18}$. \square

G_{22} enjoys "Hasse principle".

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{22}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{22}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 2^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 2$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1} x a$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1} y b$. We then have $\bar{x} = x^{1+k2^{m-4}} y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{t2^{m-3}} y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Since f is an automorphism, we have $\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = \bar{x}^{1+2^{m-4}} \bar{y}$. Because

$$\bar{x}^{1+2^{m-4}} \bar{y} = x^{1+t2^{m-3} + (1+k)2^{m-4}} y^{1+k}, \quad \bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = x^{1+k2^{m-3} + (1+k)2^{m-4}} y^{1+k},$$

$$\bar{z}^{-1} \bar{x} \bar{z} = \bar{x}^{1+2^{m-4}} \bar{y} \iff k = t.$$

Thus we have $\bar{x} = x^{1+k2^{m-4}}y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{k2^{m-3}}y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Therefore setting $u = z^k$, we have $\bar{x} = u^{-1}xu$, $\bar{y} = u^{-1}yu$, $\bar{z} = u^{-1}zu$, and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{22}$. \square

G_{23} enjoys “Hasse principle”.

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{23}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{23}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 2^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 2$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1}xa$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1}yb$. We then have

$$\bar{x} = \begin{cases} x & (k = 0) \\ x^{-1+2^{m-4}}y & (k = 1) \end{cases}, \quad \bar{y} = x^{t2^{m-3}}y, \quad \bar{z} = z.$$

Since f is an automorphism, we have $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y}$. If $k = 0$,

$$\bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} = x^{-1+2^{m-4}+t2^{m-3}}y, \quad \bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x^{-1+2^{m-4}}y.$$

Therefore $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} \iff t = 0$. If $k = 1$,

$$\bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} = x^{1+(t-1)2^{m-3}}, \quad \bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x.$$

Therefore $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} \iff t = 1$. Thus we have

$$\bar{x} = \begin{cases} x & (k = 0) \\ x^{-1+2^{m-4}}y & (k = 1) \end{cases}, \quad \bar{y} = x^{k2^{m-3}}y, \quad \bar{z} = z.$$

Therefore setting $u = z^k$, we have $\bar{x} = u^{-1}xu$, $\bar{y} = u^{-1}yu$, $\bar{z} = u^{-1}zu$, and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{23}$. \square

G_{24} enjoys “Hasse principle”.

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{24}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{24}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 2^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 2$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1}xa$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1}yb$. We then have

$$\bar{x} = \begin{cases} x^{1+j2^{m-3}} & (k = 0) \\ x^{-1+2^{m-4}+j2^{m-3}}y & (k = 1) \end{cases}, \quad \bar{y} = x^{r2^{m-3}}y, \quad \bar{z} = z.$$

Since f is an automorphism, we have $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y}$. If $k = 0$,

$$\bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} = x^{-1+2^{m-4}+(r-j)2^{m-3}}y, \quad \bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x^{-1+2^{m-4}+j2^{m-3}}y.$$

Therefore $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} \iff r \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. If $k = 1$,

$$\bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} = x^{1+(r-j)2^{m-3}} = x^{1+(r+j)2^{m-3}}, \quad \bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x^{j2^{m-3}}x = x^{1+j2^{m-3}}.$$

Therefore $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} \iff r \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Thus we have

$$\bar{x} = \begin{cases} x^{1+j2^{m-3}} & (k = 0) \\ x^{-1+2^{m-4}+j2^{m-3}}y & (k = 1) \end{cases}, \quad \bar{y} = y, \quad \bar{z} = z.$$

Therefore setting $u = y^j$, we have $\bar{x} = u^{-1}xu$, $\bar{y} = u^{-1}yu$, $\bar{z} = u^{-1}zu$, and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{24}$. \square

G_{25} enjoys “Hasse principle”.

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{25}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{25}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 2^{m-2}$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 2$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1}xa$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1}yb$. We then have

$$\bar{x} = \begin{cases} x^{1+j2^{m-3}} & (k=0) \\ x^{-1+2^{m-4}+j2^{m-3}}y & (k=1) \end{cases}, \quad \bar{y} = x^{r2^{m-3}}y, \quad \bar{z} = z.$$

Since f is an automorphism, we have $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y}$. If $k=0$,

$$\bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} = x^{-1+2^{m-4}+(j+r)2^{m-3}}y, \quad \bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x^{-1+2^{m-4}+j2^{m-3}}y.$$

Therefore $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} \iff r \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. If $k=1$,

$$\bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} = x^{1+(r-j)2^{m-3}} = x^{1+(r+j)2^{m-3}}, \quad \bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x^{1+j2^{m-3}}.$$

Therefore $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}^{-1+2^{m-4}}\bar{y} \iff r \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Thus we have

$$\bar{x} = \begin{cases} x^{1+j2^{m-3}} & (k=0) \\ x^{-1+2^{m-4}+j2^{m-3}}y & (k=1) \end{cases}, \quad \bar{y} = y, \quad \bar{z} = z.$$

Therefore setting $u = y^j$, we have $\bar{x} = u^{-1}xu$, $\bar{y} = u^{-1}yu$, $\bar{z} = u^{-1}zu$, and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{25}$. \square

G_{26} enjoys “Hasse principle”.

Proof. Let $f \in \text{Aut}_c G_{26}$ such that $\bar{z} = z$. Then there exist $a = x^i y^j z^k$, $b = x^r y^s z^t \in G_{26}$ with $0 \leq i, r < 8$, $0 \leq j, k, s, t < 2$ such that $\bar{x} = a^{-1}xa$, $\bar{y} = b^{-1}yb$. We then have $\bar{x} = x^{1+4j}y^k$, $\bar{y} = x^{4r}y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Since f is an automorphism, we have $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}\bar{y}$. Because $\bar{x}\bar{y} = x^{1+4j+4r}y^{1+k}$, $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = x^{1+4j}y^{1+k}$, $\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{x}\bar{z} = \bar{x}\bar{y} \iff r \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Thus we have $\bar{x} = x^{1+4j}y^k$, $\bar{y} = y$, $\bar{z} = z$. Therefore setting $u = y^j z^k$, we have $\bar{x} = u^{-1}xu$, $\bar{y} = u^{-1}yu$, $\bar{z} = u^{-1}zu$, and so $f \in \text{Inn } G_{26}$. \square

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