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ABSTRACT. In this paper some new conditions are given under which a finite group is soluble.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

In the paper [1] the author introduced the concept of c-normal subgroups and using the c-normality of maximal subgroups he gave some conditions of solubility for finite groups. As a continuation of [1], in this paper we consider the concept of c-subnormality and we give some new conditions under which a finite group is soluble.

### 2. Preliminaries

All groups considered in this paper are finite. Our definitions and notations are taken mainly from [2].

Remind [1] that a subgroup H of a group G is said to be c-normal in G if there exists a normal subgroup T of G such that TH = G and  $T \cap H \subseteq H_G$ .

Definition. Let H be a subgroup of a group G. We say that H is *c*-subnormal in G if there exists a subnormal subgroup T of G such that HT = G and  $H \cap T \subseteq H_G$ .

We shall need the following well known facts about subnormal subgroups (see [3] or also the section 14 in [2, A]).

**Lemma 1.** Let H be a subgroup of a group G.

- (a) If H is subnormal in G and  $T \leq G$ , then  $H \cap T$  is a subnormal subgroup of T;
- (b) If  $N \leq G$  and H is subnormal in G, then HN/N is subnormal in G/N.

**Lemma 2.** Let L be a minimal normal subgroup of a group G and T be a subnormal subgroup of G. Then  $L \subseteq N_G(T)$ .

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**Lemma 3.** Let  $K \leq G$ ,  $H \leq G$ . Assume that  $K \subseteq H$ . Then  $(H/K)_{G/K} = H_G/K.$ 

*Proof.* Let  $(H/K)_{G/K} = T/K$  and  $L = H_G$ . Then  $T/K \subseteq H/K$ , and so  $T \subseteq H_G$ . On the other hand  $L/K \trianglelefteq G/K$ ,  $L/K \subseteq H/K$ , and so  $L/K \subseteq T/K$ . Hence T/K = L/K. The lemma is proved.

**Lemma 4.** Let G be a group, H be some subgroup of G. Then the following statements are true:

- (1) If H is c-subnormal in G and  $H \le K \le G$ , then H is c-subnormal in K;
- (2) Let  $K \trianglelefteq G$  and  $K \le H$ . Then H is c-subnormal in G if and only if H/K is c-subnormal in G/K.

*Proof.* Let H be c-subnormal in G and let  $H \leq K \leq G$ . We shall prove that H is c-subnormal in K. By hypothesis there is a subnormal subgroup T of G such that TH = G and  $T \cap H \subseteq H_G$ . Let  $\overline{T} = T \cap K$ . Then by Lemma 1  $\overline{T}$  is a subnormal subgroup of K. Applying the Dedekind Law we obtain  $K = K \cap HT = H(K \cap T) = H\overline{T}$ . On the other hand

$$T \cap H = K \cap (T \cap H) \subseteq K \cap H_G \subseteq K \cap H_K \subseteq H_K,$$

by Lemma 1. Hence H is c-subnormal in K.

Now we prove (2). Assume that H is c-subnormal in G. And let T be a subnormal subgroup of G such that TH = G and  $T \cap H \subseteq H_G$ . By Lemma l TK/K is a subnormal subgroup of G/K. Clearly (TK/K)(H/K) = G/K. Applying the Dedekind Law we have

$$H \cap TK = K(H \cap T) \subseteq KH_G \subseteq H_G.$$

Hence by Lemma 3

$$(TK/K) \cap (H/K) \subseteq (H/K)_{G/K}.$$

Thus H/K is c-subnormal in G/K.

Next suppose that H/K is c-subnormal in G/K and let T/K be a subnormal subgroup of G/K such that (T/K)(H/K) = G/K and

$$(T/K) \cap (H/K) \subseteq (H/K)_{G/K}.$$

Then T is subnormal in G and evidently TH = G. Besides

$$(T/K) \cap (H/K) = (T \cap H)/K \subseteq H_G/K$$

Thus  $T \cap H \subseteq H_G$ , and so H is c-subnormal in G. The lemma is proved.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 1.** If each Sylow subgroup of a group G is c-subnormal in G, then G is soluble.

*Proof.* Let P be a Sylow p-subgroup of G. Assume that  $P_G \neq 1$  and let L be a minimal normal subgroup of G contained in  $P_G$ . By hypothesis P is c-subnormal in G. Hence by Lemma 4 the subgroup P/L is c-subnormal in G/L. Clearly P/L is a Sylow p-subgroup of G/L. Hence if  $P_1$  is an arbitrary Sylow p-subgroup of G/L then  $P_1 = (P/L)^x$  for some element  $x \in G/L$ . Thus  $P_1$  is c-subnormal in G/L.

Now let  $\hat{Q}$  be a Sylow q-subgroup of G/L where  $q \neq p$ . And let Q be a Sylow q-subgroup of the group D where  $D/L = \hat{Q}$ . Then Q is a Sylow q-subgroup of G. Hence by hypothesis there is a subnormal subgroup T of G such that TQ = G and  $T \cap Q \subseteq Q_G$ . By Lemma 1 TL/L is a subnormal subgroup of G/L and clearly  $(TL/L)\tilde{Q} = G/L$ . We show that  $(TL/L) \cap \tilde{Q} \subseteq \tilde{Q}_{G/L}$ . Clearly  $\tilde{Q} = QL/L$ . Hence by Lemma 3  $\tilde{Q}_{G/L} = (QL)_G/L$ . Thus we have only to show that  $TL \cap QL = L(T \cap QL) \subseteq (QL)_G$ . Suppose that  $L \subseteq T$ . Then  $T \cap QL = L(Q \cap T) \subseteq LQ_G$ , and so  $L(T \cap QL) \subseteq LQ_G \subseteq (LQ)_G$ . Let  $L \notin T$ . Since TQ = G, then every Sylow p-subgroup of T is a Sylow p-subgroup of G. Let  $P_1$  be a Sylow p-subgroup of T. Then  $P_1 = P^x$  for some  $x \in G$ , and so  $L \subseteq P_1 \subseteq T$ . This contradiction shows that  $L \subseteq T$ . Hence  $(TL/L) \cap \tilde{Q} \subseteq \tilde{Q}_{G/L}$ . Thus QL/L is c-subnormal in G/L. Therefore each Sylow subgroup of G/L is a soluble group, and so the group G is soluble as well.

Now assume that  $P_G = 1$  for every Sylow subgroup P of the group G. Then by hypothesis there is a subgroup T of G such that TP = G and  $T \cap P = 1$ . Then |G| = |T||P|, and so every Sylow subgroup of T is a Sylow subgroup of G. Hence every Sylow subgroup of T is c-subnormal in G. Hence by Lemma 4 every Sylow subgroup of T is c-subnormal in T. But |T| < |G|, and so by induction T is soluble. Let  $\pi = \{p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_t\}$  be the set of all primes dividing the order |G| of the group G.

We have shown that for each  $p_i \in \pi$  the group G has a soluble Hall  $p'_i$ -subgroup. Using now results of the section 3 in [2, I] we see that G is a soluble group.

# **Theorem 2.** A group G is soluble if and only if every its maximal subgroup M is c-subnormal in G.

*Proof.* We shall prove that G is soluble. Assume that this is false and let G be a group of minimal order such that G is not soluble but every its maximal subgroup M is c-subnormal. Then the group G is not simple. Indeed if G is a simple group and M is a maximal subgroup of G, then by hypothesis M is c-subnormal in G. And there exists a subnormal subgroup T of G such that MT = G and  $M \cap T \subseteq M_G$ . Since G is a simple group,

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 $M_G = 1$ . Hence  $T \neq G$ . But then T = 1 and  $TM = M \neq G$ . This contradiction shows that G is not a simple group.

Let R be a minimal normal subgroup of G. And let M/R be a maximal subgroup of the group G/R. Then M is a maximal subgroup of G. Since M is c-subnormal in G, M/R is c-subnormal in G/R, by Lemma 4. But |G/R| < |G|. Hence by the choice of the group G we have to conclude that G/R is a soluble group and R is not an abelian group. If  $R \subseteq \Phi(G)$ , then R is nilpotent by Theorem 9.3 of [2, A]. Hence R is abelian, a contradiction. Therefore  $R \notin \Phi(G)$ . If the group G has at least two minimal normal subgroups R and L, then from above we have known that G/R and G/L are soluble groups. Hence  $G \cong G/1 = G/L \cap R$  is a soluble group. This contradicts the choice of the group G.

Let p be a prime dividing the order |R| of the group R. Let P be a Sylow p-subgroup of R. Then  $G = RN_G(P)$  (see Remarks 6.3 in [2, A]). Clearly  $N_G(P) \neq G$ . Let M be a maximal subgroup of G such that  $N_G(P) \subseteq M$ . Then evidently R is not contained in M. We show that pdoes not divide the index |G : M| of M in G. Indeed let  $P_1$  be a Sylow p-subgroup of G such that  $P \subseteq P_1$ . Then by Theorem 6.4 in [2, A]  $P_1 \cap R$ is a Sylow p-subgroup of R. But  $P \subseteq P_1 \cap R$ . Hence  $P = P_1 \cap R$ . Then  $P \leq P_1$ , and so  $P_1 \subseteq N_G(P)$ . Thus the prime p does not divide |G : M|.

As M is c-subnormal in G, there is a subnormal subgroup T of G such that MT = G and  $T \cap M \subseteq M_G$ . Since  $R \not\subseteq M$  and R is the unique minimal normal subgroup of G, then  $M_G = 1$ , and so  $T \cap M = 1$ . Let L be a minimal subnormal subgroup of G contained in T. Let  $L^G$  be the normal closure of L in G. Then  $L^{\overline{G}} \neq 1$ , and so  $R \subseteq L^{\overline{G}}$ . Assume that  $L \not\subseteq R$ . Then by Lemma 1  $L \cap R$  is a subnormal subgroup of G and  $1 \subseteq L \cap R \subseteq L$ . Hence  $L \cap R = 1$ , since L is a minimal subnormal subgroup of G. By Lemma 2  $R \subseteq N_G(L)$ . Hence  $\langle L, R \rangle = LR = L \times R$ . But then  $L \subseteq C_G(R)$ . Since  $C_G(R) \trianglelefteq G$  and R is the unique minimal normal subgroup of G, then  $R \subseteq C_G(R)$ . Therefore R is an abelian group. This contradiction shows that  $L \subseteq R$ . Since R is a minimal normal subgroup of  $G, R = A_1 \times \ldots \times A_t$  where  $A_1 \cong A_2 \cong \ldots \cong A_t \cong A$  where A is a simple non-abelian group. Hence  $L \cong A$  (see Theorem 3.2 in [2, A]). Clearly p divides the order |A| of the group A. Hence p divides the order |L| of the group L. By Lagrange's theorem the order |L| of the group L divides the order |T| of the group T. Hence the prime p divides |T|. We have known that G = TM and  $T \cap M = 1$ . Hence |G| = |T||M| = |G:M||M|, and so |T| = |G:M|. But the prime p does not divide the index |G:M| of M in G. Hence p does not divide |T|. This contradiction shows that G is a soluble group.

Now let G be a soluble group. Let M be a maximal subgroup of G, and let  $H/M_G$  be a chief factor of G. Then evidently HM = G and  $H \cap M \subseteq M_G$ . Hence M is c-subnormal in G.

From the proof of Theorem 2, we have the following:

**Corollary 1** ([1]). A group G is soluble if and only if every its maximal subgroup M is c-normal in G.

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