

Group theory – Hand in sheet 6

In what follows, p , q and r are prime numbers with $r < q < p$ and G is a finite group.

(1- 2 pt) Let G be a group of order pqr .

- Show that either the p -Sylow or the q -Sylow must be normal.
- In either case, show that G has a subgroup H of order pq . Show that H is normal.
- Conclude that if $p-1$ is not divisible by q , then both the p -Sylow and the q -Sylow are normal subgroups.
- Show that if q and r do not divide $p-1$, then the p -Sylow is contained in the center of G .

(2- 1 pt) As generalization of item b) above, show that if G has order $p_1 p_2 \cdots p_n$, for p_i primes with $p_i < p_{i+1}$ and $H < G$ is a subgroup of order $p_2 \cdots p_n$, then H is normal.

(3- 2 pt). Let G be a group of order np^k , with $k > 0$, $p > 2$, $n > 1$ and p coprimes.

- Show that if $n < p$ then G is not simple,
- Show that if $n < 2p$ and $k > 1$, then G is not simple,
- Show that if $k > n/p$ and $n < p^2$, then G is not simple.

(4- 1 pt) Show that the intersection of all p -Sylows is a normal subgroup.

(5- 2 pt) Let $p > 2$. What is the order of a p -Sylow of S_{2p} ? Give an example of one such group. Finally, find all p -Sylows of S_{2p} .

(6- 2 pt) Let $p > 2$. Find generators for a p -Sylow of S_{p^2} . Show that this is a non-Abelian group of order p^{p+1} .

(7- 2 pt) Let $H < G$ be a subgroup and Syl^p be a p -Sylow subgroup of G .

- Is it true that $H \cap Syl^p$ is a Sylow subgroup of H ?
- If H has a unique p -Sylow, is it true that it must be $H \cap Syl^p$?
- If H is normal, is it true that $H \cap Syl^p$ is a Sylow subgroup of H ?
- If Syl^p is the only p -Sylow subgroup of G , is $H \cap Syl^p$ a p -Sylow of H ?