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О КОНЕЧНЫХ π -РАЗРЕШИМЫХ ГРУППАХ БЕЗ ШИРОКИХ ПОДГРУПП

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ON FINITE π -SOLUBLE GROUPS WITH NO WIDE SUBGROUPS

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Подгруппу будем называть широкой, если ее порядок делится на каждый простой делитель порядка всей группы. Получено строение конечных π -разрешимых групп, не содержащих широких максимальных подгрупп, индекс которых есть π -число. Исследуются группы с нильпотентными широкими подгруппами.

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A subgroup H of a finite group G is said to be wide if each prime divisor of the order G divides the order H . We obtain the description of finite π -soluble groups with no wide maximal subgroups with π -number indices. We also investigate groups with π -special subgroups.

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Introduction

All groups in this paper are finite. Let G be a group. We use $\pi(G)$ to denote the set of all prime divisors of $|G|$. By $|\pi(G)|$ we denote a number of different prime divisors of $|G|$. We also use $M < \cdot G$ to denote that M is a maximal subgroup of G .

A subgroup H of a group G is said to be wide if $\pi(H) = \pi(G)$. In soluble groups maximal subgroups have primary indices. Therefore in soluble groups a non-wide maximal subgroup is a Hall subgroup. And conversely, every Hall maximal subgroup of a soluble group is not wide. V.S. Monakhov [3], N.V. Maslova and D.O. Revin [4]–[5] investigated groups all whose maximal subgroups are Hall subgroups. Simple groups with wide subgroups were enumerated in [6]. Thus, the questions of V.S. Monakhov in the Kourovka notebook [7] were solved in full.

If a group G has no wide subgroups and $k = \max_{M < G} |\pi(M)|$, then G is called quasi- k -primary. A quasi-1-primary is also called quasiprimary, and a quasi-2-primary group is also called quasibiprimary group. The order of a nilpotent quasiprimary group is equal to pq , where p and q are different primes. The order of a nonnilpotent quasiprimary group is equal to $p^a q$, its Sylow p -subgroup is a minimal normal subgroup, and a is the minimal positive integer such that q divides $p^a - 1$. It is followed from Schmidt theorem [8] of groups with nilpotent proper subgroups.

S.S. Levischenko [9] investigated quasibiprimary groups. He proved that a soluble quasibiprimary group G can be represented as the semidirect

product $[P]M$ of an elementary abelian Sylow p -subgroup P and a quasibiprimary maximal subgroup M of G [9, Theorem 3.1]. In a nonsoluble quasibiprimary group G the Frattini subgroup $\Phi(G)$ is primary [9, Theorem 3.2], the factor group $G/\Phi(G)$ is simple, and all such groups are enumerated [9, Theorem 2.1].

Let π be a fixed set of primes. We consider the class $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ of all π -soluble groups G which have no wide maximal subgroups with π -number indices:

$$\mathfrak{X}(\pi) = \{G \in \pi\mathfrak{S} : |\pi(M)| < |\pi(G)|, \\ \forall M < G, \pi(G : M) \subseteq \pi\}.$$

Here $\pi\mathfrak{S}$ is the class of all π -soluble groups.

In this paper we obtain the properties of the class $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ and describe the structure of groups from this class. Furthermore, we prove that the factor group of a π -soluble group by its hypercenter belongs to $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ under certain conditions.

1 Preliminaries

If $\pi(m) \subseteq \pi$, then a positive integer m is called π -number. A group G is called π -group if $\pi(G) \subseteq \pi$, and π' -group if $\pi(G) \subseteq \pi'$. A group is called π -soluble if it has a subnormal series whose factors are either soluble π -groups or π' -groups.

All unexplained notations and terminology are standard. The reader is referred to [1], [2] if necessary.

The following properties of π -soluble groups are well known [10].

Lemma 1.1. *Let G be a π -soluble group. The following assertions hold.*

- (1) G is π_1 -soluble for every $\pi_1 \subseteq \pi$.
- (2) In G there exist π -Hall and π' -Hall subgroups.
- (3) In G there exist $\pi \cup \{r\}$ -Hall subgroups for every $r \in \pi'$.
- (4) In G there exist q' -Hall subgroups for every $q \in \pi$.

Recall that $O_\pi(G)$ and $O_{\pi'}(G)$ are the unique largest normal π -subgroup and the unique largest normal π' -subgroup of a group G , respectively.

Lemma 1.2. *Let G be a π -soluble group. The following assertions hold.*

- (1) If N is a minimal normal subgroup of G , then N is either an elementary abelian p -subgroup for some $p \in \pi$ or a π' -subgroup, [3, Lemma 1].
- (2) If M is a maximal subgroup of G , then either $|G : M| = p^m$ for some $p \in \pi$ and positive integer m or $\pi(G : M) \subseteq \pi'$, [3, Lemma 1].
- (3) If $\pi \cap \pi(G) \neq \emptyset$, then $O_\pi(G / O_\pi(G)) \neq 1$; if $\pi' \cap \pi(G) \neq \emptyset$, then $O_{\pi'}(G / O_{\pi'}(G)) \neq 1$, [10].

Lemma 1.3. *Let G be a π -soluble group. Then for every $q \in \pi \cap \pi(G)$ in G there exists a maximal subgroup M such that $|G : M| = q^m$ for some positive integer m .*

Proof. By Lemma 1.1 (1), a group G is q -soluble, and so by Lemma 1.1 (2) in G there exists a q' -Hall subgroup H . If M is a maximal subgroup of G containing H , then $|G : M| = q^m$ for some positive integer m . Lemma is proved.

We define the core of a subgroup H of a group G by $H_G = \bigcap_{x \in G} x^{-1}Hx$. Clearly, H_G is the largest normal subgroup of G contained in H . A group is called primitive if it has a maximal subgroup with the trivial core.

Lemma 1.4 [1, Theorem 4.40].

- (1) The Fitting subgroup of a primitive group is either trivial or a minimal normal subgroup.
- (2) A nontrivial nilpotent normal subgroup of a primitive group coincides with the Fitting subgroup and it is a minimal normal subgroup.
- (3) The Frattini subgroup of a soluble primitive nontrivial group is trivial and the Fitting subgroup is a minimal normal subgroup.

A formation is a class of groups \mathfrak{F} with the following two properties:

- (i) if $G \in \mathfrak{F}$ and $N \triangleleft G$, then $G / N \in \mathfrak{F}$;
- (ii) if N_1 and N_2 are normal subgroups of G and $G / N_1, G / N_2 \in \mathfrak{F}$, then $G / N_1 \cap N_2 \in \mathfrak{F}$.

It is easy to prove the following result.

Lemma 1.5. *Let \mathfrak{F} be a saturated formation and G a group. If $G \notin \mathfrak{F}$ but $G / N \in \mathfrak{F}$ for every $N \triangleleft G$, $N \neq 1$, then G is primitive.*

By G_π and $G_{\pi'}$ we denote the π -Hall and π' -Hall subgroups of G , respectively. In particular, G_p denotes a Sylow p -subgroup of G .

Lemma 1.6. *Let G be a π -soluble group. If every maximal subgroup with π -number index is normal in G , then $G = G_\pi[G_{\pi'}]$ and G_π is nilpotent. Conversely, if $G = G_\pi[G_{\pi'}]$ and G_π is nilpotent, then every maximal subgroup with π -number index is normal in G .*

Proof. By Theorem VI.9.3 [2], G is π -supersoluble. By \mathfrak{N}_π we denote the formation of all nilpotent π -group, \mathfrak{E}_π denotes the formation of all π' -group, and $\mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{E}_\pi \mathfrak{N}_\pi$ is their formation product. Then \mathfrak{F} is a saturated formation and $G \in \mathfrak{F}$ if and only if $G = G_\pi[G_{\pi'}]$.

Assume that every maximal subgroup with π -number index is normal in G . If $M < G$ and $\pi(G : M) \subseteq \pi$, then M is normal in G . Therefore $|G : M| = p \in \pi$.

Now we prove $G \in \mathfrak{F}$. Suppose that it is not true. If $X \neq 1$ is normal in G , then $G / X \in \mathfrak{F}$ by induction. In view of Lemma 1.5, G is primitive and $\Phi(G) = O_\pi(G) = 1$. Let N be a minimal normal subgroup of G . Then $|N| = q \in \pi$ and $G = [N]H$, where H is a maximal subgroup with the trivial core. By hypotheses, H is normal in G , a contradiction.

Suppose that $G = G_\pi[G_{\pi'}]$ and G_π is nilpotent. If M is a maximal subgroup of G with π -number index, then $G_{\pi'} \subseteq M$ and $M / G_{\pi'}$ is a maximal subgroup of $G / G_{\pi'} \cong G_\pi$. Hence $M / G_{\pi'}$ is normal in $G / G_{\pi'}$ since G_π is nilpotent, and so M is normal in G . Lemma is proved.

2 Properties of the class $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$

Lemma 2.1. (1) $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ is a saturated homomorph.

- (2) If $\pi_1 \subseteq \pi$, then $\mathfrak{X}(\pi) \subseteq \mathfrak{X}(\pi_1)$.
- (3) If $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$ and $\pi(G) \subseteq \pi$, then $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

(4) Let N be a normal π' -subgroup of π -soluble group G . Then $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ if and only if $G / N \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

Proof. (1) Suppose that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ and $N \triangleleft G$. Let M / N be a maximal subgroup with π -number index in G / N . Then M is a maximal subgroup with π -number index in G , and so $|\pi(M)| < |\pi(G)|$. If $r \in \pi(G) \setminus \pi(M)$, then

$$r \notin \pi(N), r \in \pi(G / N) \setminus \pi(M / N).$$

Hence $|\pi(M / N)| < |\pi(G / N)|$ and $G / N \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Thus, $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ is a homomorph.

Now we show that $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ is a saturated class. Assume that $G/\Phi(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ and let M be a maximal subgroup with π -number index in G . Then $M/\Phi(G)$ is a maximal subgroup with π -number index in $G/\Phi(G)$. By hypothesis, $|\pi(M/\Phi(G))| < |\pi(G/\Phi(G))|$. In view of [1, Theorem 4.33], $\pi(G/\Phi(G)) = \pi(G)$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |\pi(M)| &= |\pi(M/\Phi(G))| < \\ &< |\pi(G/\Phi(G))| = |\pi(G)|, \quad G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi). \end{aligned}$$

(2) Suppose that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Then G is π -soluble, and in view of 1.1 (1) G is π_1 -soluble. If M is a maximal subgroup of G such that $\pi(G:M) \subseteq \pi_1 \subseteq \pi$, then $|\pi(M)| < |\pi(G)|$ since $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Consequently, $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi_1)$ and $\mathfrak{X}(\pi) \subseteq \mathfrak{X}(\pi_1)$.

(3) Assume that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$. Then G is soluble and has no wide subgroups, that is, for every maximal subgroup M of G we have

$$\pi(G:M) \subseteq \pi(G) \subseteq \pi, \quad |\pi(M)| < |\pi(G)|.$$

Hence $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

(4) If $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$, then by assertion (1) $G/N \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ for any normal subgroup N of G .

Conversely, let N be a normal π' -subgroup of a π -soluble group G . Suppose that $G \notin \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Then $\pi(A) = \pi(G)$ for some maximal subgroup A of G such that $\pi(G:A) \subseteq \pi$. Since N is a π' -group, we have $N \subseteq A$. Now, A/N is a maximal subgroup of G/N and

$$|G:A| = |G/N:A/N|, \quad \pi(G/N:A/N) \subseteq \pi.$$

By inductive hypothesis, $G/N \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$, consequently, $|\pi(A/N)| \neq |\pi(G/N)|$. Assume that

$$r \in \pi(G/N) \setminus \pi(A/N).$$

Then $r \in \pi(G) = \pi(A)$. Since $r \in \pi(A)$ and $r \notin \pi(A/N)$, it follows that some Sylow r -subgroup A_r of A is contained in N . As N is a π' -subgroup, therefore $r \in \pi'$. Since $\pi(G:A) \subseteq \pi$, we see that A_r is a Sylow r -subgroup of G and $r \notin \pi(G/N)$, a contradiction. Thus we conclude that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

Lemma is proved.

Example 2.2. Let p and q be different primes, n be the least positive integer such that q divides $p^n - 1$. There exists $S = [E_{p^n}]Q$, where E_{p^n} is an elementary abelian subgroup of order p^n , $|Q| = q$. In S all proper subgroups are primary. Therefore $S \in \mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$. It is clear that a cyclic group Z_p of order p belongs to $\mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$. A group $G = S \times Z_q$ contains a wide subgroup $E_{p^n} \times Z_q$. Hence $G \notin \mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$. Since a formation is closed under direct products, we obtain that $\mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$ is not a formation.

Further note that if a maximal subgroup M of G contains a Sylow p -subgroup, then M is normal in G . Hence the order of the factor group G/M_G is equal to q and $G/M_G \in \mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$. If a maximal subgroup H of G contains a Sylow q -subgroup, then H is not normal in G and coincides with a Sylow q -subgroup. Therefore $H = Q^g \times Z_q$, $g \in S$, and $H_G = Z_q$. Hence $G/H_G \cong S$ and $G/H_G \in \mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$. It follows that all primitive factor groups of G belong to $\mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$, but $G \notin \mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$. Thus $\mathfrak{X}(\{p, q\})$ is not a Schunck class.

Lemma 2.3.

(1) If $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$, then $\Phi(G)$ is a π' -group.

(2) $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ if and only if $G/\Phi(G) \in X(\pi)$.

(3) If $G \in X(\pi)$ and $O_\pi(G) = 1$, then $F(G)$ is a Hall subgroup and every Sylow subgroup of $F(G)$ is a minimal normal subgroup in G .

Proof. (1) Suppose that $p \in \pi(\Phi(G)) \cap \pi$. By Lemma 1.3, in G there exists a maximal subgroup M such that $|G:M| = p^\alpha$. Note that M is a Hall subgroup in G since $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$, and so $p \notin \pi(M)$. But $p \in \pi(\Phi(G)) \subseteq \pi(M)$. This contradiction shows that $\Phi(G)$ is a π' -group.

(2) Assume that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Then by assertion (1), $\Phi(G)$ is a π' -group. Consequently, by Lemma 2.1 (4), $G/\Phi(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

Conversely, let $G/\Phi(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Hence, in view of Lemma 2.1 (1), $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

(3) By assertion (1), $\Phi(G) = 1$. Let N be a minimal normal subgroup of G . Then N is a p -subgroup for some $p \in \pi \cap \pi(G)$. By [1, Theorem 3.20], there exists a subgroup M such that $G = [N]M$. Note that M is a maximal subgroup and $\pi(G:M) = \{p\}$. By hypothesis, $\pi(M) \neq \pi(G)$, therefore M is a p' -Hall subgroup and N is a Sylow p -subgroup of G .

Lemma is proved.

Lemma 2.4. A soluble group G is quasi- k -primary if and only if $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$ and $|\pi(G)| = k + 1$.

Proof. Suppose that a soluble group G is quasi- k -primary. Then G has no wide maximal subgroups and $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$. We show that $|\pi(G)| = k + 1$. Since G is quasi- k -primary, it follows that for every maximal subgroup H of G we have $|\pi(H)| \leq k < |\pi(G)|$, and there exists a maximal subgroup M such that $|\pi(M)| = k$. In view of [1, Theorem 4.14], maximal subgroups of a soluble group have primary indices, and so $|G:M| = p^\alpha$, $p \in \pi(G)$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$. Since $|G| = |M| \cdot |G:M|$, we have $|\pi(G)| \leq k + 1$. Thus, $|\pi(G)| = k + 1$.

Conversely, assume that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$ and $|\pi(G)| = k + 1$. Then G is $\pi(G)$ -soluble, and so G is soluble. Also, G has no wide maximal subgroups, i. e., for every maximal subgroup M of G we have $|\pi(M)| < |\pi(G)| = k + 1$. Hence $|\pi(M)| = k$ and G is quasi- k -primary. Lemma is proved.

3 The structure of groups from the class $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$

In π -soluble groups indices of maximal subgroups are primes from π or π' -numbers. It follows that if a group belongs to the class $\mathfrak{X}(\pi)$, then its every maximal subgroup with π -number index is a Hall subgroup. Such groups are described by V.S. Monakhov [3].

Lemma 3.1. [3]. *Let G be a π -soluble group. The following assertions are equivalent.*

- (1) *Chief π -factors of G are isomorphic to Sylow subgroups.*
- (2) *Every maximal subgroup with π -number index is a Hall subgroup.*
- (3) *The set of all maximal subgroups with π -number indices of G coincides with the set of all p -supplements for all $p \in \pi$.*

(4) *A Hall π -subgroup of every normal πd -subgroup of G is a π -Hall subgroup of G .*

Theorem 3.2. *Let G be a π -soluble group, $\pi \cap \pi(G) \neq \emptyset$ and $O_\pi(G) \neq 1$. Then $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ if and only if $G = [G_p]M$, where G_p is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of G for some $p \in \pi(O_\pi(G))$, M is a maximal subgroup of G and $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.*

Proof. Assume that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. If $H < G$ such that $\pi(G:H) \subseteq \pi$, then by Lemma 1.2 (2), $|G:H| = r^\alpha$ for some $r \in \pi$ and positive integer α . Since $\pi(G) \neq \pi(H)$, it follows that $r \notin \pi(H)$ and H is a r' -Hall subgroup. Therefore G satisfies assertion (2) of Lemma 3.1. By Lemma 1.2 (1), there exists a minimal normal p -subgroup N for some $p \in \pi(O_\pi(G))$ since $O_\pi(G) \neq 1$. In view of Lemma 3.1 (4), N is a Sylow p -subgroup of G , i. e., $N = G_p$. By Lemma 1.3, there exists a maximal subgroup M of G such that $|G:M| = p^a$, $a \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence $G = [G_p]M$, and so by Lemma 2.1 (1), $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

Conversely, suppose that $G = [G_p]M$, where G_p is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of G for some $p \in \pi(O_\pi(G))$, M is a maximal subgroup of G and $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Let K be a maximal subgroup of G with π -number index. Then by Lemma 1.2 (2), $|G:K| = r^\alpha$ for some $r \in \pi$ and positive integer α . If $r = p$, then $G = G_p K$. Hence $G_p \cap K = 1$ and $M \cong K$, and so $|\pi(K)| = |\pi(M)| < |\pi(G)|$. If $r \neq p$,

then $G_p < K$. Therefore $K = [G_p]M \cap K = [G_p](M \cap K)$, and so $|\pi(K)| < |\pi(G)|$. Otherwise

$$\pi(M) = \pi(G) \setminus \{p\} = \pi(K) \setminus \{p\} = \pi(M \cap K),$$

and this is a contradiction since $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Thus, $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Theorem is proved.

Corollary 3.2.1. *Let G be a π -soluble group and $\pi \cap \pi(G) \neq \emptyset$. Then $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ if and only if*

$$G/O_\pi(G) = [G_p O_\pi(G)/O_\pi(G)]M/O_\pi(G),$$

where $G_p O_\pi(G)/O_\pi(G)$ is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of $G/O_\pi(G)$, $p \in \pi(O_\pi(G/O_\pi(G)))$, M is a maximal subgroup of G and $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.

Proof. If $O_\pi(G) = 1$, then in view of Theorem 3.2 corollary is true.

Let $O_\pi(G) \neq 1$. Then by Lemma 1.2 (3),

$$O_\pi(G/O_\pi(G)) \neq 1.$$

Suppose that $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. In view of Lemma 2.1 (4), $G/O_\pi(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. By Theorem 3.2,

$$G/O_\pi(G) = [G_p O_\pi(G)/O_\pi(G)]M/O_\pi(G),$$

where $G_p O_\pi(G)/O_\pi(G)$ is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of $G/O_\pi(G)$, $p \in \pi(O_\pi(G/O_\pi(G)))$, and $M/O_\pi(G)$ is a maximal subgroup of $G/O_\pi(G)$, $M/O_\pi(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Hence M is a maximal subgroup of G and $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ in view of Lemma 2.1 (4).

Conversely, assume that G can be represented as $G/O_\pi(G) = [G_p O_\pi(G)/O_\pi(G)]M/O_\pi(G)$, where $G_p O_\pi(G)/O_\pi(G)$ is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of $G/O_\pi(G)$, $p \in \pi(O_\pi(G/O_\pi(G)))$, M is a maximal subgroup of G and $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Then $M/O_\pi(G)$ is a maximal subgroup of $G/O_\pi(G)$ and $M/O_\pi(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ in view of Lemma 2.1 (4). Consequently, by Theorem 3.2, $G/O_\pi(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$. Hence $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ by Lemma 2.1 (4). Corollary is proved.

Corollary 3.2.2. *A soluble group G is quasi- k -primary if and only if $G = [G_p]M$, where G_p is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of G for some $p \in \pi(G)$, M is a maximal quasi- $(k-1)$ -primary subgroup of G .*

Proof. Suppose that a soluble group G is quasi- k -primary. Then in view of Lemma 2.4, $G \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$ and $|\pi(G)| = k + 1$. By Theorem 3.2, $G = [N]M$, where N is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of G for some $p \in \pi(G)$, M is a maximal subgroup of G and $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$. Hence by Lemma 2.1 (2), $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(M))$. Besides, $|\pi(M)| = |\pi(G)| - |\pi(N)| = k$. Consequently, M is quasi- $(k-1)$ -primary by Lemma 2.4.

Conversely, assume that a soluble group G can be represented as $G = [N]M$, where N is a minimal normal Sylow p -subgroup of G for some $p \in \pi(G)$, M is a maximal quasi- $(k-1)$ -primary subgroup of G . Then by Lemma 2.4, $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(M))$ and $|\pi(M)| = k$. In view of Lemma 2.1 (3), $M \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$. Since $|\pi(G)| = |\pi(M)| + |\pi(N)| = k + 1$, it follows that G is quasi- k -primary by Lemma 2.4. Corollary is proved.

If we substitute $k = 2$ in Corollary 3.2.2, then we obtain the result of S. S. Levischenko.

Corollary 3.2.3 [9, Theorem 3.1]. *A soluble quasibiprimary group G is equal to the semidirect product $[P]M$ of its elementary abelian Sylow p -subgroup P and quasiprimary subgroup M , which is also a maximal subgroup of G .*

A group G is said to be π -special, if $G = G_\pi \times G_\pi$ and G_π is nilpotent.

Let G be a nontrivial group,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_0(G) &= 1, \quad Z_1(G) = Z(G), \\ Z_2(G) / Z_1(G) &= Z(G / Z_1(G)), \quad \dots, \\ Z_i(G) / Z_{i-1}(G) &= Z(G / Z_{i-1}(G)), \quad \dots \end{aligned}$$

Then the subgroup $Z_\infty(G) = \bigcup_{i=0}^\infty Z_i(G)$ is called the hypercenter of G .

Obviously, $Z(G / Z_\infty(G)) = 1$.

Theorem 3.3. *If every wide maximal subgroup of a π -soluble group G with π -primary index is π -special, then $G / Z_\infty(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.*

Proof. Let $G / Z_\infty(G) \notin \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$, and write $\bar{G} = G / Z_\infty(G)$. Then in \bar{G} there exists a maximal subgroup $\bar{M} = M / Z_\infty(G)$ such that $|\bar{G} : \bar{M}| \subseteq \pi$ and $\pi(\bar{M}) = \pi(\bar{G})$. At the same time M is maximal in G and $\pi(M) = \pi(G)$. By hypothesis, M is π -special. And so \bar{M} is also π -special, that is, $\bar{M} = \bar{M}_\pi \times \bar{M}_\pi$ and \bar{M}_π is nilpotent. By Lemma 1.2 (2), $|\bar{G} : \bar{M}| = p^a$ for some $p \in \pi$ and positive integer a . It follows that $\bar{M}_p \triangleleft \bar{M}$ and \bar{M}_p is a proper subgroup of \bar{G}_p . Therefore \bar{M}_p is normal in \bar{G} . Thus there exists a nontrivial element $\bar{x} \in \bar{M}_p \cap Z(\bar{G}_p)$ such that it belongs to the center of \bar{G} , a contradiction since $Z(G / Z_\infty(G)) = 1$. Theorem is proved.

Corollary 3.3.1. *If every wide maximal subgroup of a soluble group G is nilpotent, then $G / Z_\infty(G)$ is quasi- k -primary, where $k = |\pi(G / Z_\infty(G))| - 1$.*

Proof. Suppose that every wide maximal subgroup of a soluble group G is nilpotent. Then, substituting $\pi = \pi(G)$ in Theorem 3.3, we obtain

$G / Z_\infty(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi(G))$. Hence by Lemma 2.4, $G / Z_\infty(G)$ is quasi- k -primary, where

$$k = |\pi(G / Z_\infty(G))| - 1.$$

Corollary is proved.

A group G is π -decomposable if $G = G_\pi \times G_\pi$.

Corollary 3.3.2. *If every maximal subgroup of a π -soluble group G is normal and π -decomposable, then G_π is nilpotent and $G / Z_\infty(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$.*

Proof. Since every maximal subgroup of a π -soluble group G is normal, it follows that $G = G_\pi [G_\pi]$ and G_π is nilpotent by Lemma 1.6. Hence since every maximal subgroup of G is π -decomposable, it is π -special, and $G / Z_\infty(G) \in \mathfrak{X}(\pi)$ by Theorem 3.3. Corollary is proved.

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