

Groups with (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational property

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Abstract

Let G be a group, \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} be two sets of n -tuples of elements of G with $|\mathcal{A}| = m_1$ and $|\mathcal{B}| = m_2$, respectively. G is said to have the (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational property with respect to \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} if for all elements $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G$, there exist $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathcal{A}$, $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n \in \mathcal{B}$ and a nonidentity permutation $\sigma \in Sym_n$ such that

$$a_1 g_1 b_1 a_2 g_2 b_2 \cdots a_n g_n b_n = a_{\sigma(1)} g_{\sigma(1)} b_{\sigma(1)} a_{\sigma(2)} g_{\sigma(2)} b_{\sigma(2)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)}.$$

We show that if G is (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational, then G has a characteristic subgroup N such that $|G : N|$ and $|N'|$ are both finite and have sizes bounded by functions of m_1, m_2 and n . As a consequence, if Δ is the finite conjugate center of the group, then $|G : \Delta|$ and $|\Delta'|$ are both finite with $|G : \Delta|$ bounded by a function of m_1, m_2 and n .

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1 Introduction

Throughout the paper, we let G be a multiplicative group. For $g \in G$, denote by $C_G(g)$ the centralizer of g in G , i.e., the subgroup consisting of all elements x such that $xg = gx$. Define the finite conjugate center of G as

$$\Delta = \Delta(G) = \{g \in G : |G : C_G(g)| < \infty\},$$

which is a characteristic subgroup of G . The n -permutational property P_n is introduced in [8]. Here G is said to have P_n if for all $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G$, there exists a nonidentity permutation $\sigma \in Sym_n$ such that

$$g_1 g_2 \cdots g_n = g_{\sigma(1)} g_{\sigma(2)} \cdots g_{\sigma(n)}.$$

$Sym_n = Sym\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is the symmetric group of order n . Clearly, P_2 is commutativity. It is shown [8] that if G has P_n , then $|G : \Delta|$ is finite and has size bounded by a function of n . In addition, the commutator subgroup Δ' of Δ is finite, but its order can not be bounded by a function of n .

Groups with n -permutational property have been extensively studied and various generalizations of P_n have been considered in the literature; see e.g. [4, 5, 10, 13, 11, 7]. The n -rewritable property Q_n , for example, is introduced in [4]. A group G is said to have Q_n if for all $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G$, there exist two distinct permutations $\sigma, \tau \in Sym_n$ such that

$$g_{\sigma(1)}g_{\sigma(2)} \cdots g_{\sigma(n)} = g_{\tau(1)}g_{\tau(2)} \cdots g_{\tau(n)}.$$

Recently, the permutational property has been revisited [9, 1, 6, 14, 2] and an intriguing generalization of P_n is offered in [9]. For positive integers m and n , let \mathcal{A} be a set of n -tuples of elements of G with $|\mathcal{A}| = m$. G is said to be (m, n) -permutational with respect to \mathcal{A} if for all elements $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G$, there exist $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathcal{A}$ and a nonidentity permutation $\sigma \in Sym_n$ such that

$$g_1a_1g_2a_2 \cdots g_na_n = g_{\sigma(1)}a_{\sigma(1)}g_{\sigma(2)}a_{\sigma(2)} \cdots g_{\sigma(n)}a_{\sigma(n)}.$$

Drawing on the techniques from [13], it is shown [9, Proposition 4.1] that if G is (m, n) -permutational with respect to \mathcal{A} , then G has a characteristic subgroup N such that $|G : N|$ and $|N|$ are finite and both have sizes bounded by functions of m and n (Unfortunately, there is a typo in the statement of [9, Proposition 4.1 (ii)]).

In this paper, we move a further step beyond (m, n) -permutation by considering another interesting generalization of P_n : (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational property. We have the following definition.

Definition 1. *Let m_1, m_2, n be positive integers and suppose that \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are two sets of n -tuples of elements of G with $|\mathcal{A}| = m_1$ and $|\mathcal{B}| = m_2$, respectively. A group G is said to be (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational with respect to \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} if for every n -tuple (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n) of elements of G there exist n -tuples $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathcal{A}$, $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in \mathcal{B}$ and a nonidentity permutation $\sigma \in Sym_n$ such that*

$$a_1g_1b_1a_2g_2b_2 \cdots a_ng_nb_n = a_{\sigma(1)}g_{\sigma(1)}b_{\sigma(1)}a_{\sigma(2)}g_{\sigma(2)}b_{\sigma(2)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)}g_{\sigma(n)}b_{\sigma(n)}.$$

We show that the techniques developed in [13, 9] can yield similar results for (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational groups.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we present the main results for (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational groups. In Section 3, we provide the proofs. Finally, we give a further generalization on the (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational property in Section 4.

2 Main results

We first recall some notations introduced in [13]. Suppose that G is a group and T is a subset of G . T is said to have finite index in G if there are $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G$ such that

$$G = Tg_1 \cup Tg_2 \cup \cdots \cup Tg_n$$

for some finite n . The index $|G : T|$ is defined to be the minimum such integer n . It is clear that if T is a subgroup of G , this definition agrees with the ordinary index of a subgroup. For an integer k , define

$$\Delta_k = \Delta_k(G) = \{g \in G : |G : C_G(g)| \leq k\}.$$

The set Δ_k is a normal subset of G and $\Delta_k \cdot \Delta_l \subseteq \Delta_{kl}$ for all integers k and l . Our main result establishes as follows.

Theorem 1. *Let G be an (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational group with respect to \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} . Set $k = m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot n!$. Then we have*

(i) $|G : \Delta_k| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!$, and

(ii) G has a characteristic subgroup N with $|G : N| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!$, and with $|N'|$ finite and bounded by a function of m_1, m_2 and n .

Recall that Δ is the finite conjugate center of G . As a consequence, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 1. *Let G be an (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational group with respect to \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} . Set $k = m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot n!$. Then $|G : \Delta| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!$ and $|\Delta'|$ is finite.*

A group G is said to be perfect if $G = G'$. Following [9], we say G is normally perfect if all normal subgroups of G are perfect. Clearly, any nonabelian simple group is perfect. The following corollary can be viewed as a generalization of [5, Theorem 1] and [9, Corollary 2.8].

Corollary 2. *Let G be a normally perfect group satisfying the (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational property. Then G has finite order bounded by a function of m_1, m_2 and n .*

3 Proofs

In this section, we provide the proofs of the aforementioned results. We will capitalize on the techniques in [13, 9] and the following several lemmas are useful.

Lemma 1. [13] *Let $S = \cup_{i=1}^k H_i g_i$ be a finite union of cosets of the subgroups H_i of G and assume that $S \neq G$. Then there exist $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l \in G$, with $l = (k + 1)!$ such that $\cap_{i=1}^l S x_i = \emptyset$. In particular, if T is a subset of G with $G = S \cup T$, then $|G : T| \leq (k + 1)!$*

Lemma 2. [13, 12] *Let $S = \cup_{i=1}^k H_i g_i$ be a finite union of cosets of subgroups H_i of G . If $|G : H_i| > k$ for every $1 \leq i \leq k$, then $S \neq G$.*

Lemma 3. [9] *Let k and l be positive integers and assume that $|G : \Delta_k| \leq l$. If N is the subgroup of G generated by Δ_k , then N is a characteristic subgroup of G with $|G : N| \leq l$, and with $|N'|$ finite and bounded by a function of k and l .*

Following [13], we define a linear monomial in the noncommuting variables $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n$ to be a monic monomial μ of the form $\xi_{i_1} \xi_{i_2} \dots \xi_{i_t}$ with all i_j distinct and $t = \deg \mu$. We have $\mu = 1$ if and only if $\deg \mu = 0$. Furthermore, it is straightforward to check that $(n + 1)!$ is a (quite loose) upper bound of the number of linear monomials in n variables.

Proof of Theorem 1. We assume by way of contradiction that $|G : \Delta_k| > k \cdot (k + 1)!$. Let $M_1 = \emptyset$ and, for $j \geq 2$, let M_j denote the set of all linear monomials in the noncommuting variables $\xi_j, \xi_{j+1}, \dots, \xi_n$. According to the above comments we have $|M_j| \leq n!$.

In what follows, we first show by induction on $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ that, for any $g_j, g_{j+1}, \dots, g_n \in G$, there exist $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathcal{A}$ and $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in \mathcal{B}$ such that either

$$a_1 g_1 b_1 a_2 g_2 b_2 \dots a_n g_n b_n = a_{\sigma(1)} g_{\sigma(1)} b_{\sigma(1)} a_{\sigma(2)} g_{\sigma(2)} b_{\sigma(2)} \dots a_{\sigma(n)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)}$$

for some $1 \neq \sigma \in \text{Sym}\{j, j+1, \dots, n\}$ or $\mu(a_j g_j b_j, a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1}, \dots, a_n g_n b_n) \in \Delta_k$ for some monomial $\mu \in M_j$.

Since G is an (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational group with respect to \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} , the result for $j = 1$ holds by definition. Suppose the result holds for some $j < n$. Fix $g_{j+1}, g_{j+2}, \dots, g_n \in G$ and let g play the role of the j th variable. Let $\mu \in M_{j+1}$. If $\mu(a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1}, \dots, a_n g_n b_n) \in \Delta_k$ for some $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathcal{A}$ and $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in \mathcal{B}$, then we are done. Hence, we may assume that $\mu(a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1}, \dots, a_n g_n b_n) \notin \Delta_k$ for every $\mu \in M_{j+1}$, for every $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathcal{A}$ and $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in \mathcal{B}$.

Next, for each $1 \neq \sigma \in \text{Sym}\{j, j+1, \dots, n\}$, $\alpha = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\beta = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in \mathcal{B}$, set

$$S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} = \{g = g_j \in G : a_j g_j b_j a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1} \cdots a_n g_n b_n = a_{\sigma(j)} g_{\sigma(j)} b_{\sigma(j)} \cdots a_{\sigma(j+1)} g_{\sigma(j+1)} b_{\sigma(j+1)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)}\}.$$

If $S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} \neq \emptyset$ and σ fixes j , then we can cancel the beginning $a_j g_j b_j$ factors and conclude that

$$a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1} \cdots a_n g_n b_n = a_{\sigma(j+1)} g_{\sigma(j+1)} b_{\sigma(j+1)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)}$$

for some $1 \neq \sigma \in \text{Sym}\{j+1, \dots, n\}$. Hence, we can assume that if $S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} \neq \emptyset$, then σ does not fix j .

Now suppose that $S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} \neq \emptyset$ and let $g \in S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}$ so that

$$a_j g b_j a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1} \cdots a_n g_n b_n = a_{\sigma(j)} g_{\sigma(j)} b_{\sigma(j)} a_{\sigma(j+1)} g_{\sigma(j+1)} b_{\sigma(j+1)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)}.$$

If we set $\rho = a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1} \cdots a_n g_n b_n$, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1} \cdots a_n g_n b_n \\ &= (a_j g b_j)^{-1} (a_{\sigma(j)} g_{\sigma(j)} b_{\sigma(j)} a_{\sigma(j+1)} g_{\sigma(j+1)} b_{\sigma(j+1)} \cdots) (a_j g b_j) \cdots a_{\sigma(n)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)} \\ &= (a_j g b_j)^{-1} \lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} (a_j g b_j) \bar{\lambda}_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}$ and $\bar{\lambda}_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}$ depend only on σ , α and β . Indeed, since $\sigma(j) \neq j$, $\lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}$ is a linear monomial in M_{j+1} evaluated at $a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1}, \dots, a_n g_n b_n$, and therefore, we have $\lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} \notin \Delta_k$ by assumption. Note that the above equation is equivalent to

$$g^{-1} a_j^{-1} \lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} a_j g = b_j \rho (\bar{\lambda}_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta})^{-1} b_j^{-1}.$$

It follows that $S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}$ consists of precisely one right coset of $C_G(a_j^{-1} \lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} a_j)$, say $S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} = C_G(a_j^{-1} \lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} a_j) h_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}$. Write

$$S = \cup_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} = \cup_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} C_G(a_j^{-1} \lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} a_j) h_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta}.$$

Since $\lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} \notin \Delta_k$, it implies that $a_j^{-1} \lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} a_j \notin \Delta_k$ and $|G : C_G(a_j^{-1} \lambda_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} a_j)| > k$. Since there are at most $m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot n! = k$ cosets in the above union for S , we conclude from Lemma 2 that $S \neq G$. Consequently, by virtue of Lemma 1, we obtain that $G \setminus S$ has index $\leq (k+1)!$ in G .

Finally, set $M_j \setminus M_{j+1} = F_j$ and let $\mu \in F_j$ so that μ involves the variable ξ_j . Thus we can write $\mu = \mu' \xi_j \mu''$, where μ' and μ'' are linear monomials in the variables $\xi_{j+1}, \xi_{j+2}, \dots, \xi_n$. If

$\alpha = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\beta = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in \mathcal{B}$, then $\mu(a_j g_j b_j, \dots, a_n g_n b_n) \in \Delta_k$ if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} a_j g_j b_j = a_j g_j b_j &\in \mu'(a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1}, \dots, a_n g_n b_n)^{-1} \Delta_k \mu''(a_{j+1} g_{j+1} b_{j+1}, \dots, a_n g_n b_n)^{-1} \\ &= \Delta_k g_{\mu, \alpha, \beta}, \end{aligned}$$

since Δ_k is a normal subset of G . In particular, this occurs if and only if $g \in \Delta_k a_j^{-1} g_{\mu, \alpha, \beta} b_j^{-1}$, a fixed right translate of Δ_k . Hence, if $T = \cup_{\mu, \alpha, \beta} \Delta_k a_j^{-1} g_{\mu, \alpha, \beta} b_j^{-1}$, where the union is over all $\mu \in F_j$, $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$, then the inductive assumption implies that $G = S \cup T$. In fact, suppose $x \in G$. If there exist σ , α and β with

$$a_j g_j b_j \cdots a_n g_n b_n = a_{\sigma(j)} g_{\sigma(j)} b_{\sigma(j)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)}$$

and $g_j = x$, then $x \in S_{\sigma, \alpha, \beta} \subseteq S$. On the other hand, if there exist μ , α and β with

$$\mu(a_j g_j b_j, \dots, a_n g_n b_n) \in \Delta_k$$

and $g_j = x$, then $x \in \Delta_k a_j^{-1} g_{\mu, \alpha, \beta} b_j^{-1} \subseteq T$.

It follows that $T \supseteq G \setminus S$, so

$$|G : T| \leq |G : G \setminus S| \leq (k + 1)!.$$

But T is a union of at most $|\mathcal{A}| \cdot |\mathcal{B}| \cdot |F_j| \leq m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot |M_j| \leq m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot n! = k$ right translates of Δ_k , so we see that

$$|G : \Delta_k| \leq k \cdot |G : T| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!$$

a contradiction by assumption. Hence, the inductive statement is proved.

In particular, the inductive result holds when $j = n$. Here, there are no nonidentity permutations in $Sym\{n\}$, and $M_n = \{\xi_n\}$. We conclude that, for each $g \in G$, there exist $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$ with $a_n g b_n \in \Delta_k$ and hence with $g \in \Delta_k a_n^{-1} b_n^{-1}$. In other words, we have $G = \cup_{\alpha, \beta} \Delta_k a_n^{-1} b_n^{-1}$, where a_n and b_n are the n th entries of α and β , respectively. Thus, $|G : \Delta_k| \leq m_1 \cdot m_2 \leq k$. Hence, the assumption $|G : \Delta_k| > k \cdot (k + 1)!$ is false, and part (i) of the theorem is proved.

As for part (ii), set $l = k \cdot (k + 1)!$, and let N be the characteristic subgroup of G generated by Δ_k . Since $|G : \Delta_k| \leq l$, Lemma 3 readily yields the result. \square

To prove Corollary 1, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 4. [13, 16] *Let G be a group and let k be a positive integer.*

(i) *If $|G'| \leq k$, then $G = \Delta_k(G)$.*

(ii) *If $G = \Delta_k(G)$, then $|G'| \leq (k^4)^{k^4}$.*

Proof of Corollary 1. It follows from Theorem 1 and the fact $\Delta_k \subseteq \Delta$ that

$$|G : \Delta| \leq |G : \Delta_k| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!.$$

Note that Δ is a subgroup of G and then we have

$$|\Delta : \Delta_k| \leq |G : \Delta_k| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!.$$

Thus, $\Delta = \cup_i \Delta_k g_i$ is a finite union of translates of Δ_k . Since every $g_i \in \Delta$ has only finitely many conjugates in G , there exists an integer l with $g_i \in \Delta_l$ for all i . Consequently, $\Delta = \Delta_k \Delta_l \subseteq \Delta_{kl}$ and thus $\Delta = \Delta_{kl}$. Using Lemma 4 (ii), we easily obtain that Δ' , the commutator subgroup of Δ , is finite. \square

Proof of Corollary 2. Since G is (m_1, m_2, n) -permutational with respect to \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} , Theorem 1 implies that G has a normal subgroup N with both $|G : N|$ and $|N'|$ bounded by functions of m_1, m_2 and n . Hence, we have $N = N'$ since G is normally perfect. Thus $|G| = |G : N| \cdot |N'|$ is bounded by a function of m_1, m_2 and n . \square

4 Discussion

Although we have stated Theorem 1 only for two sets \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} of n -tuple of elements of G , the techniques generalize to the case of an arbitrarily large but bounded number of such sets. Here, we put forward a further generalization of permutational property and list the results without proof.

Definition 2. Let $c, d, m_1^{(1)}, \dots, m_1^{(c)}$ and $m_2^{(1)}, \dots, m_2^{(d)}$ be positive integers. Suppose that $\mathcal{A}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathcal{A}^{(c)}$ and $\mathcal{B}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathcal{B}^{(d)}$ are sets of n -tuples of elements of G with $|\mathcal{A}^{(i)}| = m_1^{(i)}$ for $1 \leq i \leq c$ and $|\mathcal{B}^{(j)}| = m_2^{(j)}$ for $1 \leq j \leq d$, respectively. A group G is said to be $(\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d, n)$ -permutational with respect to $\{\mathcal{A}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c$ and $\{\mathcal{B}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d$ if for every n -tuple (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n) of elements of G there exist n -tuples $(a_1^{(i)}, a_2^{(i)}, \dots, a_n^{(i)}) \in \mathcal{A}^{(i)}$ for $1 \leq i \leq c$, $(b_1^{(j)}, b_2^{(j)}, \dots, b_n^{(j)}) \in \mathcal{B}^{(j)}$ for $1 \leq j \leq d$ and a nonidentity permutation $\sigma \in \text{Sym}_n$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & a_1^{(1)} \cdots a_1^{(c)} g_1 b_1^{(1)} \cdots b_1^{(d)} \cdots a_n^{(1)} \cdots a_n^{(c)} g_n b_n^{(1)} \cdots b_n^{(d)} \\ &= a_{\sigma(1)}^{(1)} \cdots a_{\sigma(1)}^{(c)} g_{\sigma(1)} b_{\sigma(1)}^{(1)} \cdots b_{\sigma(1)}^{(d)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)}^{(1)} \cdots a_{\sigma(n)}^{(c)} g_{\sigma(n)} b_{\sigma(n)}^{(1)} \cdots b_{\sigma(n)}^{(d)}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2. Let G be an $(\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d, n)$ -permutational group with respect to $\{\mathcal{A}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c$ and $\{\mathcal{B}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d$. Set $k = m_1^{(1)} \cdots m_1^{(c)} \cdot m_2^{(1)} \cdots m_2^{(d)} \cdot n!$. Then we have

- (i) $|G : \Delta_k| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!$, and
- (ii) G has a characteristic subgroup N with $|G : N| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!$, and with $|N'|$ finite and bounded by a function of $\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d$ and n .

Corollary 3. Let G be an $(\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d, n)$ -permutational group with respect to $\{\mathcal{A}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c$ and $\{\mathcal{B}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d$. Set $k = m_1^{(1)} \cdots m_1^{(c)} \cdot m_2^{(1)} \cdots m_2^{(d)} \cdot n!$. Then $|G : \Delta| \leq k \cdot (k + 1)!$ and $|\Delta'|$ is finite.

Corollary 4. Let G be a normally perfect group satisfying the $(\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d, n)$ -permutational property. Then G has finite order bounded by a function of $\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d$ and n .

It is obvious that any finite group of order n has permutational property P_n . Thus, the automorphism group $Aut(\mathcal{G})$ for a finite graph \mathcal{G} trivially has $P_{|Aut(\mathcal{G})|}$. The same thing is true for $(\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d, n)$ -permutational property if we carefully choose the sets $\{\mathcal{A}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c$ and $\{\mathcal{B}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d$. An interesting question would be to ask the minimum non-trivial n of $(\{m_1^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^c, \{m_2^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^d, n)$ -permutational property satisfied by the group $Aut(\mathcal{G})$. What if it is transitive (c.f. [3, 15])?

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