



On Semi-Direct Product of Groups

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Abstract

This paper presents a generalization of a theorem of the $C_m \rtimes C_4$ with $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ in some special cases to explain the structure of groups which isomorphic to $C_m \rtimes C_4$ supported Evidence-based and solved examples.

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1 Introduction

The direct product of groups is define for any G and H are groups. The direct product $G \times H$ of G and H is the set of all ordered pairs $\{(g, h) \mid g \in G, h \in H\}$ with the operation $(g_1, h_1)(g_2, h_2) = (g_1g_2, h_1h_2)$. In the definition, I have assumed that G and H are using multiplication notation. In general, the notation you use in $G \times H$ depends on the notation in the factors. In direct product of groups must satisfy the following condition, $G \trianglelefteq G \times H$, $H \trianglelefteq G \times H$ and $G \cap H = \{e\}$. So the semi-direct product is define by, for any two subgroups G and H of group \mathbb{G} condition the one of those subgroups are normal subgroup of \mathbb{G} we can say that \mathbb{G} of semi-direct groups G and H where $G \trianglelefteq \mathbb{G}$.

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The automorphisms group of cyclic group is abelian is define $Aut(G) = \times_{p \in \pi(n)} C_p$ where $p \in \pi(n)$. For more information we refer the following [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]

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Denote G by $H \rtimes_{\varphi} K$

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2 The Preliminaries

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The third and fourth condition follow from the first two (refer equivalence of definitions of group homomorphism).

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2.1 Automorphism

An automorphism of a group G is an isomorphism of G with itself. The set of such is labelled $\text{Aut}G$. For two groups H and K and an action function $\phi : K \rightarrow \text{Aut}(H)$ of K on H by automorphism, the corresponding semidirect product $H \rtimes_{\phi} K$ is defined as follows: as a set it is $H \times K = \{(h, k) : h \in H, k \in K\}$. The group law on $H \rtimes_{\phi} K$ is

$$(h, k)(h', k') = (h \rtimes_k (h'), kk')$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} & \phi & \theta \\ \hline \phi & \phi & \theta \\ \theta & \theta & \phi \end{array}$$

1. $S_n \cong A_n \rtimes C_2$
2. $D_n \cong C_2 \rtimes C_n$

3 Main Results

Theorem 3.1. *Suppose that p is a prime number, the semi-direct product of groups C_p and C_4 be isomorphic to $C_p \rtimes C_4$.*

Proof. before proof above theorem we must be find the relation between the elements belong to semidirect product of C_4 and C_p It is clear that the Cyclic groups are define by $C_p = \langle a | a^p = e \rangle$ and $C_4 = \langle b | b^4 = e \rangle$. In the first we must prove that the group C_p is normal subgroup of $C_p \rtimes C_4 = \langle a, b | a^p = b^4 = e, b^3 a^i b = a^{p-i} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} b^3 a^i b &= a^{p-i} \\ b^3 a^i b^2 &= a^{p-i} b \\ b^3 a^i b^3 &= a^{p-i} b^2 \\ b^3 a^i b^4 &= a^{p-i} b^3 \\ b^3 a^i e &= a^{p-i} b^3 \\ b^3 a^i &= a^p a^{-i} b^3 \\ b^3 a^i &= a^{-i} b^3 \end{aligned}$$

since, for any element $a^t b^k \in C_p \rtimes C_4$, we can see,

$$\begin{aligned} a^t b^k C_p (a^t b^k)^{-1} &= a^t b^k \langle a^i \rangle (a^t b^k)^{-1} \\ &= \langle a^t b^k a^i (a^t b^k)^{-1} \rangle \\ &= \langle a^t b^k a^i b^{-k} a^{-t} \rangle \\ &= \langle a^t a^i b^k b^{-k} a^{-t} \rangle \\ &= \langle a^t a^i a^{-t} \rangle = \langle a^i \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

And $C_p \cap C_4 = \{e\}$, thus $|C_p \rtimes C_4| = \frac{|C_p||C_4|}{|C_p \cap C_4|} = 4p$. □

Theorem 3.2.

Suppose that $n = 4$ and $m = 2.k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ are positive integer number, the semi-direct product $C_m \rtimes C_4$ be isomorphic to the follow in:

1. If $k = 1$, then $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong D_8$;

Proof. by use theorem which states In D_n , every subgroups of $\langle r \rangle$ is a normal subgroup of D_n ; these are the subgroups $\langle r^d \rangle$ for $d|n$ and have index $2d$. The describes all proper normal subgroups of D_n when n is odd, and the only additional proper normal subgroup when n is even are $\langle r^2, s \rangle$ and $\langle r^2, rs \rangle$ with index 2. $[D_8 : C_4] = |D_8|/|C_4| = 8/4 = 2$ since the index equal to 2 then $C_4 \triangleleft D_8$ and C_m where $m = 2k$ with $k = 1$ hence $C_2 \leq D_8$, from the Remark above in ,we get $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong D_8$ \square

2. If $k = 2^r, r > 0$, then $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2^{r+1}}$;

Proof. $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2k} \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2 \cdot 2^r}$

Product of two cyclic groups is cyclic iff their orders are Co-prime numbers or relatively prime numbers which means are those numbers that have their HCF (Highest Common Factor) as 1. In other words, two numbers are co-prime if they no common factor other than 1. Then we get

$$C_4 \rtimes C_{2 \cdot 2^r} \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2^{r+1}} \quad \square$$

3. If $k = p$ is an odd prime number, then $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong C_p \rtimes D_8$;

Proof. $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2k} \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2 \cdot p} \cong C_4 \rtimes (C_2 \times C_p) \cong (C_4 \rtimes C_2) \times C_p \cong D_8 \times C_p \cong C_p \times D_8$ \square

4. If $k = 2^r p, r > 0$ and p is an odd prime number, then $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong C_p \times (C_4 \rtimes C_{2^r})$;

Proof. $C_4 \rtimes C_m \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2k} \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2 \cdot 2^r p} \cong C_4 \rtimes C_{2^r p} \cong C_4 \rtimes (C_{2^r} \times C_p) \cong (C_4 \rtimes C_{2^r}) \times C_p \cong C_p \times (C_4 \rtimes C_{2^r})$

\square

In the final we can define presentation of groups $C_m \rtimes C_4$ by the following:

Theorem 3.3. *Suppose that C_m and C_4 are cyclic groups and $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, the presentation the semi-direct groups is given by the following.*

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

Proof. Take $K = C_m = \langle a \rangle$, $H = C_4 = \langle b \rangle$. Then $Aut(K) = \langle \delta \rangle$ where $\delta(a) = a^{-1}$, it is clear that $Aut(C_m) \cong C_{m-1}$ if and only if $m = p$ where p is prime number. Define $\varphi : H \rightarrow Aut(K)$ mapping $\varphi(y) = \delta$.

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