

- 17) a) For a prime p , consider $G \leq S_p$ generated by two p -cycles. Show that G must be simple.
 b) (Bonus) How many nonisomorphic groups can arise in this situation for $p = 5$, $p = 7$ or $p = 11$?

- 18) a) Let G be a finite group, $N \triangleleft G$ and $F = G/N$. Let φ be the regular permutation representation of F . Show: G is isomorphic to a subgroup of $N \wr_{\varphi} F$. (i.e. F as a regular permutation group)
 b) Let $N = A_6$ and $F = C_2$. We want to determine, using GAP the isomorphism types of groups G that have a normal subgroup A_6 with a factor group C_2 :

1. Construct (using `WreathProduct`) the wreath product $W := A_6 \wr C_2$.
2. Let $u := \text{List}(\text{ConjugacyClassesSubgroups}(W), \text{Representative})$ be a list of subgroups of w (up to conjugacy).
3. Select (using `Filtered`) those subgroups from U that have order 720 and a derived subgroup of index 2.
4. You will end up with 5 subgroups. Calculate (using `NrConjugacyClasses`) the number of conjugacy classes for each. This shows that only two of these groups could be isomorphic. Use `IsomorphismGroups` to verify this.

(You will end up with 4 nonisomorphic groups. Which of them is S_6 ? What does this tell about the automorphism groups $\text{Aut}(A_6)$ and $\text{Aut}(S_6)$?)

- 19) [High nutritious value] Let $G \leq S_n$ be a transitive group and $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(G)$. We say that φ is realized by S_n , if there exists $h \in N_{S_n}(G)$ such that $g^\varphi = g^h = h^{-1}gh$ for every $g \in G$ (such an h must obviously normalize).

Show that φ is realized by S_n if and only if $\text{Stab}_G(1)^\varphi = \text{Stab}_G(j)$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$. (As the groups are finite, $\text{Stab}_G(1)^\varphi \leq \text{Stab}_G(j)$ is sufficient.)

Hint: To show sufficiency, you will have to construct a suitable $h \in S_n$. Consider a bijection between the cosets of $\text{Stab}_G(1)$ in G and those of $\text{Stab}_G(1)^\varphi$ in G , induced by the automorphism φ . This bijection will yield the conjugating permutation.

- 20) [High nutritious value] Let G be a finite group. The radical $O_\infty(G)$ is the largest solvable normal subgroup of G . Let $F = G/O_\infty(G)$

- a) Show that $\text{Soc}(F)$ is the direct product of nonabelian simple groups.
- b) Show that the action of F on $\text{Soc}(F)$ is faithful, i.e. $F \leq \text{Aut}(\text{Soc}(F))$.
- c) Show that F is a subdirect product of groups $A \leq \text{Aut}(T) \wr S_m$, where T is a simple group and m the multiplicity of T in $\text{Soc}(F)$.

- 21) Show that $G = \langle x, y \mid x^2, y^2 \rangle$ is infinite.

Hint: Find a group (e.g. a subgroup of $\text{GL}(2, \mathbb{Q})$) that must be a quotient of G , but contains elements of infinite order.