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Lemma: Let $H, K \leq G$, $|G| < \infty$. If $H \cap K = \{e_G\}$, then $|HK| = |H||K|$.

Proposition: Let $H, K \leq G$. Then $HK \leq G$ iff $HK = KH$.

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Proof. See draft.

Proposition: If H, K are both normal subgroups of G and $H \cap K = \{e_G\}$, then $HK \cong H \times K$.

Proof. Homework #7.

Exercise: Classify all groups of order 115.

We have that $115 = 5 \cdot 23$. Hence from Sylow's Theorem, $n_5 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ and $n_5 \mid 23$.

This implies that $n_5 = 1$; i.e., there is a unique subgroup $P \in \text{Syl}_5(G)$. Again, from Sylow's Theorem, this implies $P \trianglelefteq G$, where $|G| = 115$.

We also have that $n_{23} \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$ and $n_{23} \mid 5$, which implies $n_{23} = 1$.

So we have a unique subgroup $Q \in \text{Syl}_{23}(G)$, which gives us that $Q \trianglelefteq G$.

Note $P \cap Q \leq P$ and $P \cap Q \leq Q$, so $|P \cap Q| \mid 5$ and $|P \cap Q| \mid 23$.

We must have that $|P \cap Q| = 1$, so $P \cap Q = \{e_G\}$. Thus $PQ \cong P \times Q$.

We have $PQ \leq G$ and $|PQ| = |P||Q| = 115$, so $G = PQ$. Thus $G \cong \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/23\mathbb{Z}$ and $G \cong \mathbb{Z}/115\mathbb{Z}$.

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Recall that if $H, K \trianglelefteq G$, $H \cap K = \{e_G\}$, and $|G| = |H| \cdot |K|$, then $G \cong H \times K$.

Similarly, if $H, K \leq G$ and $H \trianglelefteq G$, then HK is a subgroup. To add to this, if $H \cap K = \{e_G\}$ and $|G| = |H||K|$, then $|G| = |HK|$.

Example: We aim to motivate the semi-direct product.

Let $h_1, k_1, h_2, k_2 \in HK$. We have $h_1 k_1 h_2 k_2 = h_3 k_3$ for some $h_3 \in H, k_3 \in K$.

(b/c HK is a subgroup).

Observe that:

$$\begin{aligned} h_1 k_1 h_2 k_2 &= \overbrace{h_1 k_1 h_2 k_1^{-1} k_1}^{\in H} k_2 \\ &= \underbrace{(h_1 k_1 h_2 k_1^{-1})}_{h_3} \underbrace{k_1 k_2}_{k_3} \end{aligned}$$

Since $H \trianglelefteq G$, we have an action of G on H given by $(g, h) \mapsto ghg^{-1}$. In particular, K acts on H via conjugation: $(k, h) \mapsto k \cdot h := k h k^{-1}$. So:

$$\begin{aligned} h_1 k_1 h_2 k_2 &= (h_1 k_1 h_2 k_1^{-1}) k_1 k_2 \\ &= h_1 (k_1 \cdot h_2) k_1 k_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let the automorphisms of H be $\text{Aut}(H) = \{\psi: H \rightarrow H \mid \psi \text{ is an iso.}\}$.
 Fix $k \in K$. Define $\varphi(k): H \rightarrow H$ by $h \mapsto khk^{-1}$. For example, $\varphi(k)(x) = kxk^{-1}$.
 Claim: $\varphi(k) \in \text{Aut}(H)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof. } \varphi(k)(h_1 h_2) &= kh_1 h_2 k^{-1} \\ &= kh_1 k^{-1} k h_2 k^{-1} \\ &= \varphi(k)(h_1) \varphi(k)(h_2). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\varphi(k)$ is a homomorphism.

Suppose $\varphi(k)(h_1) = \varphi(k)(h_2)$. Then $kh_1 k^{-1} = kh_2 k^{-1} \Rightarrow h_1 = h_2$. Thus $\varphi(k)$ is inj.

Let $h \in H$. Since $H \trianglelefteq G$, $khk^{-1} \in H$. Then $\varphi(k)(khk^{-1}) = k(k^{-1}hk)k^{-1} = h$.
 So $\varphi(k)$ is surj.

Thus $\varphi(k) \in \text{Aut}(H)$. □

Define $\varphi: K \rightarrow \text{Aut}(H)$ by $k \mapsto [\varphi(k): h \mapsto khk^{-1}]$. From this new definition, observe that:

$$h_1 k_1 h_2 k_2 = h_1 \varphi(k_1)(h_2) k_1 k_2.$$

We would like to remove G as a starting point. Consider the groups H, K and a homomorphism $\varphi: K \rightarrow \text{Aut}(H)$. We use this to construct a new group

$$H \rtimes_{\varphi} K := G.$$

This group operation has the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } H \text{ and } K \text{ inject into } G \text{ by:} \\ H \hookrightarrow H \rtimes_{\varphi} K; h \mapsto (h, e_K), \\ K \hookrightarrow H \rtimes_{\varphi} K; k \mapsto (e_H, k). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ii) As sets, } H \rtimes_{\varphi} K = H \times K,$$

$$\text{iii) } (h_1, k_1) * (h_2, k_2) = (h_1 \varphi(k_1)(h_2), k_1 k_2).$$

Example: We can show $D_{2n} \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.