

## The Sylow theorems

Def If  $G$  is a finite group,  $p$  a prime number  
 $p^\alpha \mid |G|$ , but  $p^{\alpha+1} \nmid |G|$ ,  $H \triangleleft G$  w/  $|H|=p^\alpha$   
then we say  $H$  is a  $p$ -Sylow subgroup of  $G$ .

$$Syl_p(G) = \{ p\text{-Sylow subgroups of } G \}$$

$$n_p = |Syl_p(G)|.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{inn}_g: G &\rightarrow G \\ h &\mapsto ghg^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

### Theorem(s) (Sylow)

1.  $Syl_p(G) \neq \emptyset$  ✓
2.  $\forall P, Q \in Syl_p(G)$  then  $\exists g \in G$  s.t.  $gPg^{-1} = Q$  ✓
3.  $n_p \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  ✓
4.  $n_p \mid |G|$

Ex: if  $|G|=15$  1.  $\exists P_5, P_3 \triangleleft G$  s.t.  $|P_5|=5$   
 $|P_3|=3$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \quad n_3 &\equiv 1 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow n_3 = 1, 4, 7, 10, \dots \\ 4. \quad n_3 &\mid 15 \qquad \qquad \qquad \Rightarrow n_3 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

2.  $P_3 \triangleleft G$   $gP_3g^{-1}$  is also a 3-Syl. subgr  
 $\text{since } n_3=1 \rightarrow "P_3"$

$$3. \quad n_5 \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \quad n_5 = 1, 6, 11$$

$$4. \quad n_5 \mid 15 \Rightarrow n_5 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow P_5 \triangleleft G$$

yesterday

$$P_3, P_5 \triangleleft G$$

$$P_3 \cap P_5 = e$$

order of  $P_3 \cap P_5$  doesn't matter  
 $\rightarrow 3, 5$

$$P_3 \cap P_5 < P_3, P_5$$

$$(P_3 \cap P_5) \mid |P_3|, |P_5|$$

$$1 \quad 3 \quad 5$$

$P_3, P_5 < P_3 \cap P_5$  is a subgroup

seminearly 14

$$HN = \{hn \mid h \in H, n \in N\}$$

not already checked

$$(hn)(n' n) \rightsquigarrow h^{n'} n^n$$

$$\Rightarrow P_3 P_5 = G \quad \text{yesterday} \Rightarrow G = P_3 \times P_5$$

$$G \cong C_3 \times C_5$$

First Sylow theorem  $(Syl_p(G) \neq \emptyset)$

Use class equation

$$|G| = |\mathbb{Z}(G)| + \sum_{\substack{\text{some} \\ a \in G}} [G : C_G(a)]$$

$\hookrightarrow$  size of  
each conj. class

induct on  $|G|$ .

Case 1:  $p \nmid |G| \Rightarrow \text{Syl}_p(G) = \{\text{id}\} \neq \emptyset$

Case 2:  $p \mid |Z(G)|$  choose  $g \in Z(G)$   $\circ g = p$   
(by Cauchy's thm)

$\langle g \rangle \triangleleft G$  since  $x\langle g \rangle x^{-1} = \{xg^ix^{-1} \mid i\}$

$$\langle g \rangle = \{g^i \mid i\}$$

Consider  $G/\langle g \rangle$

has smaller order, so

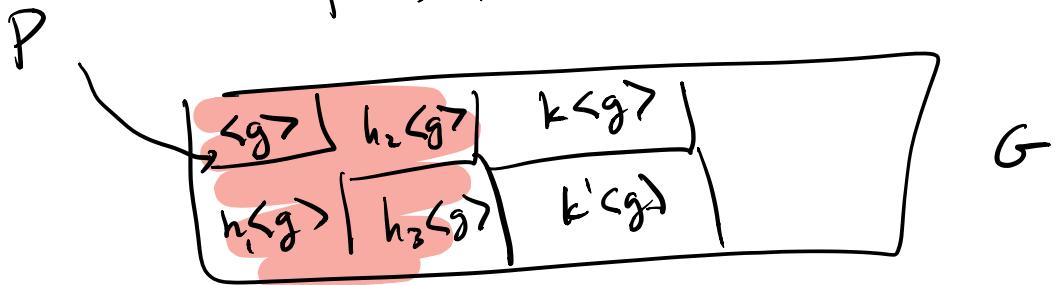
$$|G| = p^{\alpha} m \quad \exists \bar{P} \in \text{Syl}_p(G/\langle g \rangle)$$

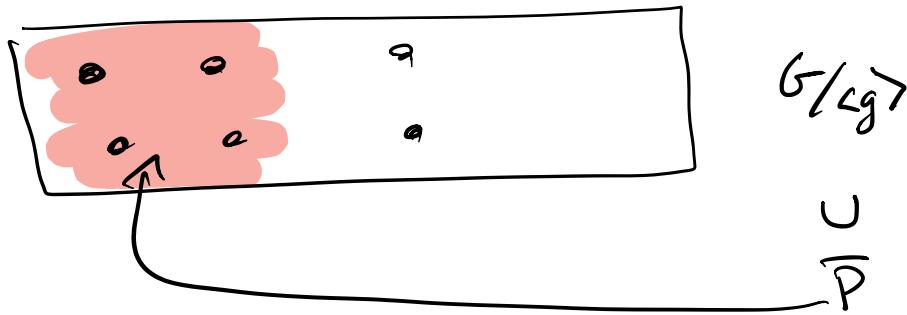
but now:  $P = \bigcup_{h \in \bar{P}} h\langle g \rangle$

$$|G/\langle g \rangle| \quad |\bar{P}| = |\bar{P}| \cdot (\text{size of cosets}) = p|\bar{P}|$$

$$|G|/|\langle g \rangle| = p^{\alpha-1}m$$

$p^{\alpha-1} \Rightarrow$  its a Sylow subgp.





Case 3:  $p \mid |G|, p \nmid |Z(G)|$

Class eqn:  $|G| = |Z(G)| + \sum_a [G : C_G(a)]$

If  $p \mid [G : C_G(a)]$  all then

$$p \mid |G| - \sum [C] = |Z(G)|$$

but it doesn't

$\Rightarrow p \nmid [G : C_G(a)]$  some  $a$ .

But  $C_G(a) \leq G$  non-trivial subg.

$$\frac{|G|}{|C_G(a)|} = \{G : C_G(a)\} \quad p \nmid \{G : C_G(a)\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  save power of  $p$  divides  $|G| / |C_G(a)|$

$$|G| = \{G : C_G(a)\} |C_G(a)|$$

$$p \nmid |C_G(a)|$$

but  $C_G(a) \leq G \Rightarrow$  by induction  $\exists$

$$P < C_G(a) \quad |P| = p^k$$

but  $P \subset C_G(a) \subset G \Rightarrow P \trianglelefteq G$ .

---

Let  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G) \subset Q(G)$   $P_i \trianglelefteq G$

Consider its orbit  $P_1 = P, P_2, \dots, P_r$  under  $G$  via conj.

i.e.  $\{P_1, \dots, P_r\} = \{gPg^{-1} \mid g \in G\}$

Suppose  $Q \trianglelefteq G$   $|Q| = p^\beta$  some  $\beta \leq \alpha = \max \text{ord}$ .

then  $Q$  acts on  $\{P_1, \dots, P_r\}$  by conjugation.

$$g \in Q \quad P_i \quad g \cdot P_i = gP_i^{-1}g^{-1}$$

Suppose  $P = P_1, P_2, \dots, P_s$  is orbit of  $P$  under  $Q$ .

$$s \leq r$$

Orbit  $\rightarrow s = \frac{|Q|}{|\text{Stab}_Q(P)|} \quad \text{Stab}_Q(P) = Q \cap N_G(P)$

but  $Q \cap N_G(P) < Q \Rightarrow s < p - 1$

$(Q \cap N_G(P))P$  is a subgp  $\Rightarrow$  is abn.  $p - 1$ .  
(Consider in  $N_G(P)$ )

$(Q \cap N_G(P)), P \trianglelefteq N_G(P)$

but contains  $P$  which is a p-subgp of max l size.

$$\Rightarrow (Q \cap N_G(P))P = P \Rightarrow$$

$$Q \cap N_G(P) \subset P, Q$$

$$Q \cap N_G(P) \subset Q \cap P$$

$$N_G(Q) \supset P$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{Q \cap N_G(P) = Q \cap P}$$

$P = P_1, P_2, \dots, P_s$  orbit of  $P$  under  $Q$  action (conjugation)

$$s = \frac{|Q|}{|\text{Stab}_G(P)|} \quad \text{Stab}_G(P) = Q \cap N_G(P) = !$$

$$s = [Q : Q \cap P]$$

Set  $Q = P$

$$s = [P : P] = 1$$

but any other orbit of  $Q$  acts on  $\text{Syl}_p(G)$

$$P'_1, P'_2, \dots, P'_s$$

$$s = \frac{|Q|}{|\text{Stab}_G(P')| - 1} = [P : P'_i \cap P]$$

$\nearrow$   
not equal  
by lemma

$$\Rightarrow p \nmid s$$

We just showed:  $\{P_1, \dots, P_r\}$   
 ~~$Syl_p(G)$  is a union of orbits under  $P$  under conjugation.~~  
 one orbit  $\{P\}$  has size  $\geq$ , other orbits  
 have size a mult of  $p$ .  
 $r \equiv_p 1$ .

Next: Sylow 2/2: if  $P \in Syl_p(G)$  and  $Q \trianglelefteq G$  w/  $|Q| = p^k$   
~~if  $G \trianglelefteq G$   $|Q| = p^k$~~   
~~then  $Q \subset P$ ; some  $P$ -Sylow  $P_i$ .~~ then  $gQg^{-1} \subset P$   
~~some  $g$ .~~  
Pl: by contradiction,  
 suppose  $Q \notin P_i$   $\{P_1, \dots, P_r\} \subseteq Syl_p(G)$

Then orbit of  $P_i$  under  $Q$  as above has

size  $s = \frac{|Q|}{|Q \cap P_i|}$  are all muls of  $p$ .

but all orbits size mult of  $p \Rightarrow$  whole set  
 has size a mult of  $p$ .  $\{P_1, \dots, P_r\}$

~~$r \equiv_p 1$~~

but

there  $Q \subset P_i$  some  $i$ .  
 $gPg^{-1}$

$\Leftarrow$   
 $Z = \text{env}_P Sylow \text{ is conj.}$

---

Aside:

given  $H \triangleleft G$

consider  $\text{Stab}_G(H) = \{g \in G \mid gHg^{-1} = H\}$

$\xrightarrow{\text{conj}}$   
if this was the whole  $\text{Stab}_G(H)$ , then  $H \trianglelefteq G$   
always have  $H$  in

in general, like  $N_G(H) = \{g \in G \mid gHg^{-1} = H\}$

$$H \triangleleft N_G(H) \triangleleft G$$

---

Why are all p-Sylows conj?