

## On Minimal Semi neat Subgroups

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### Abstract

In [1] Abdulla Hattem gave some new results of minimal neat subgroups of Abelian  $G$ .

"L. Fuchs" poses the problem of characterizing the subgroups of an Abelian group  $G$  which are intersections of finitely many pure subgroups of  $G$  (problem 13, p. 134). This problem has been solved by "Khalid Benabdallah" and John Irwin (see[2]).

In this paper we shall give the generalization of the problem solved by Khalid Benabdallah. Firstly we shall give the definition of such subgroups which are called almost almostdense in  $G$ .

### Introduction:

We start with the following definitions:

#### Definition 1:

A subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  is said to be neat in  $G$ , if  $\forall$  prime number  $P$ .  $P \nmid |G/H|$  see[4]

**Definition 2:** A subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  is said to be pure in  $G$ , if  $\forall P$  and  $\forall k (k \in \mathbb{Z}^+)$

$$P^k G H = P^k H \quad (\text{see}[4])$$

**Definition 3:** A subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  is said to be almost-dense in  $G$  (abbreviated a.b)

If, for every pure subgroup  $K$  of  $G$  containing  $H$ ,  $G/K$  is divisible (see[2])

We shall give an example of a.b. subgroup :

*Example :* Take  $G = \mathbb{C}_2^\infty$   $A = \{0, 1/2\}$ . Clearly  $A$  is a.d in  $G$ , because there is no neat (pure) subgroup of  $G$  (except  $G$ ), moreover  $G$  is divisible, so  $G/A$  is divisible. Hence  $A$  is a.b in  $G$ .

Now we shall give the following definition of almost-almost-dense subgroup :

**Definition 4:A:** subgroup  $H$  of  $G$ , we said to be almost-almost-dense (abbreviated ; a.a.d.) if, for every semi neat subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  containing

$H$ ,  $G/K$  is divisible.

**Definition 5:** A subgroup  $H$ , is said to be semi neat subgroup of  $G$ ; if  $P \nmid |G/H|$  for some  $P$ .

Clearly, every neat is semi neat but the converse is not true. We can show that by the following example.

*Example :* Take  $G = \mathbb{Z}_8$  and  $H = \langle 5, 4 \rangle$  it's clear that  $3G \setminus H = 3H$

So  $H$  is semi neat in  $G$  but  $H$  is not neat, because  $2G \cap H = 4^+$  and  $4^+ \cap 2H = \{$

**Remark:** In this paper we denoted the following notations by:

- P. Prime number
- K. Positive integer
- G. Abelian Group

**Remark:**

- Every group  $G$  is a.a.d. itself
- Every a.a.d. subgroup is a.d.
- In torsion-free groups or in divisible groups, the subgroups are a.d. if there are a.a.d. subgroups

Notation : let  $G$  be any group . We denote by  $G_k$  the following

$$G_k = \{x \in P^k G / o(x) = P \text{ for some } K \in Z^+ \} = P^k G [p].$$

The following , shows some properties of a.a.d. subgroups

**THEOREM 1 :** In a primary group  $G$  , if every neat subgroups  $N \cap H$  such a subgroups  $H$  if and only if  $H$  is a.a.d.  $N \cap G_k$  .

Proof . Suppose  $H$  is a.a.d. in  $G'$  and  $N \cap G_k$  , then every semi neat subgroups  $B$  of  $G$  contains  $H$  , contains also  $G_k$  . Claim  $P^k G \cap B$

Let  $x \in P^k G$  . Then

$$(1)x = P^k g \text{ for some } g \in G .$$

Since  $G$  is a  $p$ -group , then  $o(x) = p^m (m \in Z^+)$  .So by (1) we have  $p^m x = 0$  if  $m = 1$  then we get the result . if  $m > 1$  then

$$p^m x = p (p^{m-1} x) = 0 , \text{ but } p^{m-1} x \in P^k G , \text{ so } p^{m-1} x \in G_k . \text{ Hence } p^{m-1} x \text{ by assumption we have , } PB \text{ is pure , thus } p^{m-1} x \in G \cap PB = p^{m-1} (PB) . \text{ So } p^{m-1} x = p^{m-1} b \text{ for some } b \in B$$

hence  $P(p^{m-2} x - P^m b) = 0$  but  $P^m b \in P^k B \cap P^k G$  then

$$P^{m-2} x - P^m b \in G_k \cap H \cap B$$

So  $P^{m-2} x - P^m b \in B$  . but this way we get  $P^{m-(m-1)} x - P^m b \in B$  So  $P^m x - P^m b \in PB$  , hence

$$P^m x - P^m b \in PB \cap PG = p(PG)$$

Thus  $p^m x - p^m b = p^2 b_0$  some  $b_0 \in B$  Then we get  $p(x - p b_0) = 0$  since  $p b_0 \in PB \cap P^k G$  . therefore  $x - p b_0 \in G_k \cap B$  . consequently  $x \in B$  .

Thus it proves that ,  $P^k G \cap B$  .So  $G/B$  is at the same time divisible and bounded.

$$G/B = B , \text{ i.e. } G = B.$$

Conversely , if no proper semi neat subgroup of  $G$  containing  $H$  and  $G \cap G = \{0\}$  is divisible . Therefore  $H$  is a.a.d. in  $G$  . Now ,

Since no proper semi neat subgroup of  $G$  contains  $H$  , so no proper pure subgroup of  $G$  contains  $H$  , thus by Lemma 4.1 and theorem 3.7 in [2] ,  $H \cap G_k$  for some  $K \in Z^+$  .

In view of the preceding theorem, we need only characterize a subgroup of  $G$ . For this purpose we need the following lemmas:

**LEMMA 1:** In a primary group  $G$  if  $S$  is a subgroup of  $G[p]$  such that  $S p^n G = 0$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , then there exists a neat subgroup  $K$  of  $G$  such that  $K[p] = S$ . Furthermore  $(K p^n G) / p^n G$  is neat in  $G / p^n G$ .

Proof. By Lemma 1.4 of [1], there exists a pure subgroup  $K$  of  $G$  such that  $K[p] = S$ , also we have  $(K p^n G) / p^n G$  is neat in  $G / p^n G$ .

**LEMMA 2:** Let  $N$  be a subgroup of a primary group  $G$  such that for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$   $N + p^n G_{n-1}$ . Then there exists a proper subgroup of  $G$  such that  $R \neq p^n G$  and  $N + p^n R_{n-1}$  (see semi neat [1])

**LEMMA 3:** In a primary group  $G$  (for every semi neat subgroup  $A$  containing  $G[p]$ ),  $A = G$

Proof. Let  $A$  be a semi subgroup of  $G$  and let  $x \in A$  since  $G$  is a  $p$  group, so  $p^k x = 0$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . (If  $k=1$  we get the result.)

Assume  $k > 1$

So  $p^k x = p(p^{k-1} x) = 0$  thus  $p^{k-1} x \in [p] \cap A$  and  $p(p^{k-2} x) \in A \cap p$  then  $p^{k-2} x$  must belong to  $G[p] \cap A$ .

Again, we have  $p(p^{k-3} x) \in pG$ , and so  $(p^{k-3} x) \in p a_0$  for some  $a_0 \in A$  thus

$$p(p^{k-3} x - a_0) = 0 \text{ and } p^{k-3} x - a_0 \in A$$

By this way we obtain  $p x \in A$  so  $p(x - a_1) = 0$ , which implies that  $x \in A$ .

We are ready to show that the following:

**THEOREM 2:** A subgroup  $N$  of  $G$  is a.a.d. if and only if

$$(*) \quad N + p^n G = G_{n-1}$$

Holds for all  $n$

Proof. Suppose  $N$  satisfies (\*) and  $K$  is any semi neat subgroup containing  $N$ . To show  $G/K$  is divisible, it is not (on proof will be by showing the contradiction). So  $G/K$  must be cyclic summand  $R/K$  (see [4], Theorem 9).

Now  $G/K = H/K$  and  $G/H$  is finite (say  $p^n(R/K) = K$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ). claim  $p^n G = K$ .

$$\text{Let } x \in p^n G \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

$$(2) \quad x + K = (h + K) + (r + K)$$

For some  $h + K$  and  $r + K \in R/K$ . since  $p^n x \in G$  so  $p^n(x + K) \in G/K$  and hence  $p^n(r + K) \in R/K$ . So  $p^n(r + K) = r + K$  therefore  $r \in K$ . By (2) we get  $x + K = h + K$  which implies  $x - h \in K$ , hence  $x \in K$ .

So  $p^n G = K$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Thus  $H = N + p^n G = G_{n-1}$ , after a finite number of steps we see that

$$H = K$$

Since  $K$  is semi neat in  $G$ , and  $H/K$ , so  $H$  is neat in  $G$ . (Because, in  $g = pg$  so  $pg + k = pho + k$  and hence  $pg - pho = k - k$ . But  $K$  is neat, thus  $p(g - ho) = pL$  for some  $L$  and  $h = pL + pho = p(L + ho)$ .) Thus by Lemma 3,  $H = G$ . Then  $R/K = 0$  and this is in contradiction for the fact that  $R/K$  is cyclic. Hence  $G/K$  is divisible and thus  $N$  is a.a. dense.

Conversely, let  $N$  is an a.a.d, if (\*) is not satisfied, then we are in the situation of Lemma 2, there exists a proper neat  $R$  in  $G$  with

$$R \neq N + p^n G$$

Since  $N$  is a.a.d, then  $G/R$  is divisible, but  $p^n(G/R) = R$ . This is a contradiction, consequently (+) is satisfied. Combining theorem 1 and theorem 2 we obtain:

**THEOREM 3 :** In a  $p$ -group  $G$  if every semi neat subgroup  $K$  containing  $H$ , with  $p^k$  is pure in  $G$ , then  $K$  is minimal semi neat in  $G$  containing  $N$  if and only if  $N = K_n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $N + r^n K = K_{r-1}$ ,  $\forall r$ .

**Proof.** Let  $N = K_n$  and  $N + r^n K = K_{r-1}$  so by Theorem 2,  $N$  is a.a.d. in  $K$ . Then by the theorem 1, there is no proper neat subgroup in  $K$  which contains  $N$ , so  $K$  is minimal semi neat subgroup containing  $N$ .

Conversely, if  $K$  is a minimal semi neat subgroup in  $G$  containing  $N$  then there is no proper neat subgroup in  $K$  which contains  $N$ . By theorem 1, we get  $N = K_n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $N$  is a.a.d. in  $K$ . By using theorem 2, we obtain:

$$N + r^n K = K_{r-1} \quad (\forall r).$$

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