

A generalization of the Z^* -theorem

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- Proof uses conjugacy of Hall π -subgroups in soluble groups

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- By the Z^* -theorem, $Z(\mathcal{F}_{S_0}(G_0)) = Z(G_0) \leq C_S(N)$
- Hence just need $t \in Z(\mathcal{F}_{S_0}(G_0))$
- Assume P is \mathcal{F} -centric, \mathcal{F} -radical and fully normalized
- Then enough to show $[t, \varphi] = 1$, $\varphi \in \text{Aut}_{G_0}(P)$
- May assume φ has p' -order: $\text{Aut}_{G_0}(P) = \text{Aut}_{S_0}(P)O^p(\text{Aut}_{G_0}(P))$
- By assumption $\varphi|_{P \cap N}$ extends to $\psi \in \mathcal{F}_S(G)$ fixing t
- Key lemma implies $\psi \in \mathcal{F}_{S \cap N}(N)$
- Coprime action (using that P is \mathcal{F} -radical):

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Thank you!