

On ω -saturated formations with systems of hereditary ω -saturated subformations

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1. Introduction

All groups considered are finite.

A formation is a class of groups which is closed under taking homomorphic images and subdirect products. A formation \mathfrak{F} is called *hereditary* (*normally hereditary*) if \mathfrak{F} contains all subgroups (all normal subgroups) of all its groups. The formation \mathfrak{F} is called ω -saturated ($\emptyset \neq \omega \subseteq \mathbb{P}$) if it contains each group G with $G/O_\omega(G) \cap \Phi(G) \in \mathfrak{F}$.

We use $l_\omega \text{ form } \mathfrak{X}$ to denote the intersection of all ω -saturated formations containing the set \mathfrak{X} of groups.

Let $\{\mathfrak{F}_i \mid i \in I\}$ be the set of all proper ω -saturated subformations of a formation \mathfrak{F} . And let $\mathfrak{M} = l_\omega \text{ form}(\bigcup_{i \in I} \mathfrak{F}_i)$. Then that formation \mathfrak{F} is called [1]: (a) l_ω -irreducible if $\mathfrak{M} \neq \mathfrak{F}$; (b) l_ω -reducible if $\mathfrak{M} = \mathfrak{F}$.

In this note extending some results from [2] we prove the following.

Theorem 1.1. *Let \mathfrak{F} be a ω -saturated formation. Then $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$ (i.e. every \mathfrak{F} -group is an extension of a nilpotent ω -group by a nilpotent group) if at least one of the following two conditions is true:*

- (1) \mathfrak{F} is soluble and each l_ω -irreducible ω -saturated subformation of \mathfrak{F} is normally hereditary;
- (2) each l_ω -irreducible ω -saturated subformation of \mathfrak{F} is hereditary.

Remark 1.2 ([2]). *If $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$, then every ω -saturated subformation of \mathfrak{F} is hereditary.*

2. Preliminaries

In this section we collect some definitions and notations as well as some known results which we will need later on.

In this paper ω denotes a non-empty set of primes. Every function of the form

$$f : \omega \cup \{\omega'\} \rightarrow \{\text{group formations}\}$$

is called an ω -local satellite [3]. Following [3] we use $LF_\omega(f)$ to denote the class

$$(G \mid G/G_{\omega d} \in f(\omega') \text{ and } G/F_p(G) \in f(p) \text{ for all } p \in \omega \cap \pi(G))$$

where $G_{\omega d}$ is the largest normal in G subgroup all composition factors H/K of which are ωd -group (i.e. $\pi(H/K) \cap \omega \neq \emptyset$). By definition $G_{\omega d} = 1$ if for each minimal normal subgroup L in G we have $\pi(L) \cap \omega = \emptyset$.

If a formation \mathfrak{F} is such that $\mathfrak{F} = LF_\omega(f)$ for some ω -local satellite f , then we say [3] that \mathfrak{F} is an ω -local formation and f is an ω -local satellite of that formation.

We need the following version of the remarkable Gaschütz–Lubeseder–Schmid Theorem.

Theorem 2.1 ([4], Theorem 1). A formation \mathfrak{F} is ω -local if and only if it is ω -saturated.

Let $\{f_i \mid i \in I\}$ be a collection of ω -local satellites. Then $\bigcap_{i \in I} f_i$ is a satellite such that $f(a) = \bigcap_{i \in I} f_i(a)$ for all $a \in \omega \cup \{\omega'\}$.

Now let $\{f_i \mid i \in I\}$ be the set of all ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{F} . Then the satellite $\bigcap_{i \in I} f_i$ is called the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{F} .

Lemma 2.2 ([3], Lemma 5). Let f be the minimal ω -local satellite of $\mathfrak{F} = l_\omega \text{ form } \mathfrak{X}$. Then

$$f(a) = \begin{cases} \text{form}(G/G_{\omega d} \mid G \in \mathfrak{X}), & \text{if } a = \omega', \\ \text{form}(G/F_p(G) \mid G \in \mathfrak{X}), & \text{if } p \in \omega \cap \pi(\mathfrak{X}), \\ \emptyset, & \text{if } a \in \omega \setminus \pi(\mathfrak{X}). \end{cases}$$

Lemma 2.3 ([3], Lemma 6). Let f_i be the minimal ω -local satellite of the formation \mathfrak{F}_i , $i = 1, 2$. Then $\mathfrak{F}_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{F}_2$ if and only if $f_1 \leq f_2$.

Lemma 2.4 ([5], Lemma 1). Let G be a monolithic group with the monolith R . If $R \not\subseteq \Phi(G)$, then $\text{form}(G/R)$ is the unique maximal subformation of the formation $\text{form } G$.

Lemma 2.5 ([1], Corollary 1.2.27). If $A \in \text{form } \mathfrak{X}$, then

$$A/\text{Soc}(A) \in \text{form}(G/\text{Soc}(G) \mid G \in \mathfrak{X}).$$

Lemma 2.6 ([3], Lemma 3). If $A/O_p(A) \in f(p) \cap \mathfrak{F}$ where $\mathfrak{F} = LF_\omega(f)$, then $A \in \mathfrak{F}$.

Theorem 2.7 ([3], Theorem 7). If $\mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{M}\mathfrak{H}$ is a product of two p -local formations \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{H} , then \mathfrak{F} is p -local as well.

3. Results

Lemma 3.1. Let G be a monolithic group with a non-abelian monolith. Then the formation $l_\omega \text{ form } G$ is l_ω -irreducible.

Proof. Let P be the monolith of the group G . Let f be the minimal ω -local satellite of the formation \mathfrak{F} .

Assume that $\pi(R) \cap \omega = \emptyset$. And let h be a ω -local satellite such that

$$h(a) = \begin{cases} \text{form}(G/R), & \text{if } a = \omega', \\ f(p), & \text{if } a = p \in \omega. \end{cases}$$

By Lemma 2.3, $\mathfrak{H} = LF_\omega(h) \subset \mathfrak{F}$. Let \mathfrak{M} be a proper ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} and let m be the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{M} . Then by Lemma 2.3, $m \leq f$. Assume that $\mathfrak{M} \not\subseteq \mathfrak{H}$. Then, evidently, $m(\omega') \not\subseteq h(\omega')$. By Lemma 2.2,

$$f(\omega') = \text{form}(G/G_{\omega d}) = \text{form } G.$$

And by Lemma 2.4, $h(\omega') = \text{form}(G/R)$ is the unique maximal subformation of $f(\omega')$. Hence $m(\omega') = f(\omega)$, and so $G \in m(\omega') \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. But then

$$\mathfrak{F} = l_\omega \text{ form } G \subseteq \mathfrak{M} \subset \mathfrak{F}.$$

This contradiction shows that $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq \mathfrak{H}$. So \mathfrak{H} is the unique maximal ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} . Hence \mathfrak{F} is l_ω -irreducible.

Now let $\pi(R) \cap \omega \neq \emptyset$. Let h be an ω -local satellite such that

$$h(a) = \begin{cases} \text{form}(G/R), & \text{if } a \in \pi(R) \cap \omega, \\ f(a), & \text{if } a \in \omega \setminus \pi(R), \\ f(a), & \text{if } a = \omega'. \end{cases}$$

And let $\mathfrak{H} = LF_\omega(h)$. We shall show that \mathfrak{H} is the unique maximal ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} . Let $\mathfrak{M} = LF_\omega(m)$ be a proper ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} where m is the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{M} . Then by Lemma 2.3, $m \leq f$. Assume that $\mathfrak{M} \not\subseteq \mathfrak{H}$. Then there is a prime $p \in \pi(R) \cap \omega$ such that $m(p) \not\subseteq h(p)$. But by Lemma 2.4, $h(p)$ is the unique maximal subformation of

$$f(p) = \text{form}(G/F_p(G)) = \text{form } G.$$

Hence $m(p) = f(p)$, and so $G \in m(p) \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$. Therefore

$$\mathfrak{F} = l_\omega \text{ form } G \subseteq \mathfrak{M} \subset \mathfrak{F}.$$

This contradiction shows that $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq \mathfrak{H}$. Hence \mathfrak{H} is the unique maximal ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} . So \mathfrak{F} is l_ω -irreducible.

Proof of Theorem 1.1. In view of Theorem 2.1 we have only to consider the case when \mathfrak{F} is an ω -local formation.

Let \mathfrak{F} be an ω -local soluble formation in which all its ω -local l_ω -irreducible subformations are normally hereditary. Assume that $\mathfrak{F} \not\subseteq \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$ and let G be a group of minimal order in $\mathfrak{F} \setminus \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$. The group G is monolithic and its monolith $R = G^{\mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}}$. The formation $\mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$ is local as a product of two local formations \mathfrak{N}_ω and \mathfrak{N} (see Theorem 2.7). Hence $R \not\subseteq \Phi(G)$. Let M be a maximal subgroup of G such that $RM = G$. Then if $C = C_G(R)$, $C = C \cap RM = R(C \cap M)$. But $C \cap M$ is evidently normal in G . Hence $C \cap M = 1$, and so $R = C_G(R) = O_p(G) = F_p(G)$ where $\{p\} = \pi(R)$.

Suppose that $p \notin \omega$. Let $\mathfrak{M} = l_\omega \text{ form } G$. We shall show that the formation \mathfrak{M} is l_ω -irreducible. Let f be the minimal ω -local satellite of the formation \mathfrak{M} and let h be a satellite such that $h(\omega') = \text{form } M$ and $h(p) = f(p)$ for all $p \in \omega$. Let $\mathfrak{H} = LF_\omega(h)$. Clearly $\mathfrak{H} \subset \mathfrak{F}$. Let \mathfrak{H}_1 be a proper ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} , h_1 be the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{H}_1 . By Lemma 2.3, $h_1 \leq f$. Assume that $\mathfrak{H}_1 \not\subseteq \mathfrak{H}$. Then $h(\omega') \not\subseteq h_1(\omega')$. But by Lemma 2.4, $h(\omega')$ is the unique maximal subformation of $f(\omega') = \text{form } G$. Hence $h(\omega') = f(\omega')$. By Lemma 2.2,

$$f(\omega') = \text{form}(G/G_{\omega d}) = \text{form } G.$$

Hence $G \in h(\omega') \subseteq \mathfrak{H}$, and so $\mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{H}$. This contradiction shows that $\mathfrak{H}_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{H}$. Thus \mathfrak{H} is the unique maximal ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} . Hence \mathfrak{M} is l_ω -irreducible. Therefore by hypothesis, \mathfrak{M} is a normally hereditary formation. If M is a nilpotent group, then by Lemma 3.9 of [6], $O_p(M) = 1$. Hence by Lemma 2.4, the subgroup R is not in the formation $\text{form } M = f(\omega')$. But $R \in \mathfrak{M}$, and so

$$R \simeq R/R_{\omega d} \in f(\omega').$$

This contradiction shows that G/R is not a nilpotent group. Let $T = G^{\mathfrak{N}}$. Then $R \subseteq T$ and T/R is a nilpotent ω -group. By hypothesis, $T \in \mathfrak{M}$. By Lemma 3.9 of [6], a prime p

is not in $\pi(T/R)$. Hence $T = [R]H$ where H is a nilpotent ω -group with $p \notin \pi(\mathfrak{H})$. Let Q be a minimal normal subgroup in H and $T_1 = [R]Q$. Then $T_1 \in \mathfrak{M}$. It is clear also that there is a chief factor D/L of T_1 such that $C = C_{T_1}(D/L) \neq T_1$ and $1 \subseteq L \subset D \subseteq R$. Let $K = [D/L](T_1/C)$. Then $K \in \mathfrak{M}$, and so

$$K = K/K_{\omega d} \in f(\omega') = \text{form } G = \text{form}(G/G_{\omega d}) = f(\omega').$$

Let $\mathfrak{M}_1 = \text{form}(G/R)$. By Lemma 2.4, \mathfrak{M}_1 is the unique maximal subformation of $f(\omega')$. Since $G/R \in \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$, we have $K \notin \mathfrak{M}$. Hence

$$\text{form } K = \text{form } G.$$

Using now Lemma 2.5 we see that

$$\text{form}(G/R) = \text{form } K/(D/L) = \text{form } Q.$$

This contradiction shows that $p \in \omega$.

Evidently the group G/R is not nilpotent. Let $T/R = (G/R)^{\mathfrak{N}}$. Then $T \neq R$ and it is clear that there is a chief factor H/K of the group G such that $C = C_G(H/K) \neq G$ and $R \subseteq K \subset H \subseteq T$. By Lemma 3.31 [7], the group $E \in [H/K](G/C)$ belongs to the formation $\text{form}(G/R)$. If t is the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{F} , then

$$t(p) = \text{form}(G/F_p(G)) = \text{form}(G/R).$$

Hence $E \in t(p)$, and so by Lemma 2.6, $L = [P]E \in \mathfrak{F}$ where P is a simple and faithful E -module over $GF(p)$.

We consider the formation $\mathfrak{M} = l_\omega \text{form } L_1$. First we show that \mathfrak{M} is l_ω -irreducible. Let m be the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{M} and let h be a satellite with the following values:

$$h(a) = \begin{cases} \text{form}(G/C), & \text{if } a = p, \\ m(a), & \text{if } a \in \omega \setminus \{p\}, \\ m(\omega'), & \text{if } a = \omega'. \end{cases}$$

Let $\mathfrak{H} = LF_\omega(h)$ and let $\mathfrak{H}_1 = LF_\omega(h_1)$ be a proper ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{M} where h_1 is the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{H}_1 . By Lemma 2.3, $h_1 \leq m$. Hence if $\mathfrak{H}_1 \not\subseteq \mathfrak{H}$, then $h_1(p) \not\subseteq h(p)$. By Lemma 2.4, the formation $\text{form}(G/C)$ is the unique maximal subformation of the formation $\text{form } E$. But, evidently, $P = F_p(E)$, and so $m(p) = \text{form } E$. Therefore $h_1(p) = m(p)$. So by Lemma 2.6, $L \in \mathfrak{H}_1$. But then

$$\mathfrak{M} = l_\omega \text{form } L \subseteq \mathfrak{H}_1 \subset \mathfrak{M}.$$

This contradiction shows that \mathfrak{M} is a l_ω -irreducible formation. Hence by hypothesis, \mathfrak{M} is normally hereditary. Thus the group $[P](H/K)$ belongs to \mathfrak{M} , and so

$$H/K \in m(p) = \text{form}(L/F_p(L)) = \text{form } E.$$

But by Lemma 3.9 [6], $p \notin \pi(G/C)$. And by Lemma 2.4, $\text{form}(G/C)$ is the unique maximal subformation in $\text{form } E$. This contradiction shows that $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$.

Now we suppose that every l_ω -irreducible ω -local subformation of the ω -local formation \mathfrak{F} is hereditary. Assume that $\mathfrak{F} \not\subseteq \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$ and let G be a group of minimal order in $\mathfrak{F} \setminus \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$.

$M = G^{M_1}$ be the monolith of G . And let $\mathfrak{M} = l_\omega \text{ form } G$. We have only to consider the case when R is a non-abelian group.

By Lemma 3.1, the formation \mathfrak{M} is l_ω -irreducible. So by hypothesis, \mathfrak{M} is hereditary.

Since $H \in \omega$ we may choose a prime $q \in \pi(R) \setminus \omega$. Clearly the group R is not q -nilpotent. Hence by Theorem 4.3.1 of [9], the group R has a q -closed minimal non-nilpotent subgroup H_1 with $q \in \pi(H_1)$. Let $H = H_1/\Phi(H_1)$. Then by Theorems 26.1, 26.2 of [6], the group $H = Q/Z$ where $Q = F_q(H) = C_H(Q)$ is a minimal normal in H subgroup and Z_r is a group of prime order r . By hypothesis, $H \in \mathfrak{M}$. But $q \notin \omega$, and so $H_{\omega d} = 1$. Hence by Lemma 2.2,

$$H \simeq H/H_{\omega d} \in m(\omega') = \text{form}(G/G_{\omega d}) \subseteq \text{form } G.$$

Let $\mathfrak{H} = \text{form}(G/R)$. By Lemma 2.4, \mathfrak{H} is the unique maximal subformation of the formation \mathfrak{M} . If $H \in \mathfrak{H}$, then $H^M \in \mathfrak{N}_\omega$. But $q \notin \omega$. So $H \notin \mathfrak{H}$. Hence

$$\text{form } H = \text{form } G.$$

This contradiction shows that $\pi(R) \subseteq \omega$. Then

$$l \text{ form } R = l_\omega \text{ form } R = l \text{ form } A = l_\omega \text{ form } A$$

Let A_i is a composition factor of R . By hypothesis, $R \in \mathfrak{M}$, and so $A \in \mathfrak{M}$. Let $m_1 = l_\omega \text{ form } A$, m_1 be the minimal ω -local satellite of \mathfrak{M}_1 . By Lemma 3.1, the formation \mathfrak{M}_1 is l_ω -irreducible. Hence it is hereditary. Thus $H \in \mathfrak{M}_1$, and so by Lemma 2.2,

$$Z_r \simeq H/Q = H/F_q(H) \in m_1(q) = \text{form}(A/F_q(A)) = \text{form } A.$$

Since the formation form A all its non-identity groups have the form $A_1 \times \dots \times A_t$ where $A_i \simeq A_i \simeq A$. This contradiction completes the proof.

Lemma 3.2 ([9], Theorem 2). *Let \mathfrak{F} be a local formation. If every local subformation of \mathfrak{F} is hereditary, then \mathfrak{F} is metanilpotent.*

Lemma 3.3 ([9], Theorem 1). *If every subformation of the formation \mathfrak{F} is hereditary, then \mathfrak{F} is nilpotent.*

Lemma 3.4 ([10]). *Let \mathfrak{F} be a p -local formation. Then $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_p \mathfrak{N}_p$ if every p -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} is hereditary.*

Lemma 3.5 ([2]). *Let \mathfrak{F} be a ω -local formation. Then $\mathfrak{F} \subseteq \mathfrak{N}_\omega \mathfrak{N}$ if every ω -local subformation of \mathfrak{F} is hereditary.*

Lemma 3.6 ([11], Theorem 4.11). *A formation \mathfrak{F} is nilpotent if every its one-generated formation is hereditary.*

Примечание. Найденны достаточные условия вхождения ω -насыщенной формации в класс

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