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## On the Shemetkov – Schmid subgroup and related subgroups of finite groups

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В работе установлены свойства подгруппы Шеметкова – Шмида  $\tilde{F}(G)$  и связанных с ней обобщенных подгрупп Фиттинга конечных групп. Мы называем подгруппу *H R*-субнормальной в группе *G*, если *H* субнормальна в  $\langle H, R \rangle$ . Изучены группы с заданными системами *R*-субнормальных подгрупп, если  $R \in \{F(G), F^*(G)\}$ . Найдены новые характеризации ниль-

потентных и сверхразрешимых групп.

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In this paper the properties of the Shemetkov-Schmidt subgroup as well as generalized Fitting subgroups related with it have been determined. We call a subgroup HR-subnormal in a group G, if H is subnormal in  $\langle H, R \rangle$ . Finite groups with given systems of R-subnormal subgroups have been studied for  $R \in \{F(G), F^*(G), F(G)\}$ . New characterizations of nilpotent and supersolvable groups have been ob-

tained.

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**1 Introduction.** All the considered groups are finite. In 1938 H. Fitting [1] showed that a product of two normal nilpotent subgroups is again nilpotent subgroup. It means that in every group there is the unique maximal normal nilpotent subgroup F(G) called the Fitting subgroup. This subgroup has a great influence on the structure of a solvable group. For example Ramadan [2] proved the following result.

**Theorem 1.1.** Let G be a soluble group. If all maximal subgroups of Sylow subgroups of F(G) are normal in G then G is supersoluble.

Analyzing proofs of such kind's theorems in solvable case one can note that the following properties of the Fitting subgroup F(G) are often used:

(1)  $C_G(F(G)) \subseteq F(G);$ 

(2)  $\Phi(G) \subseteq F(G)$  and  $F(G / \Phi(G)) = F(G) / \Phi(G)$ ;

(3)  $F(G) / \Phi(G) \leq Soc(G / \Phi(G)).$ 

But only (2) and (3) are held for the Fitting subgroup of an arbitrary group. Note that there are many groups G with F(G) = 1. That is why there were attempts to generalize the Fitting subgroup.

In 1970 H. Bender [3] introduced the quasinilpotent radical  $F^*(G)$ . It can be defined by the formula  $F^*(G)/F(G) = Soc(C_G(F(G))F(G)/F(G))$  and can be viewed as a generalization of the Fitting subgroup. For  $F^*(G)$  the statements like (1) and (3) are held. This subgroup proved useful in the classification of finite simple groups. Also  $F^*(G)$  was used by many authors in the study of nonsimple groups.

In 1985 P. Förster [4], [5] showed that there is the unique characteristic subgroup  $\tilde{F}(G)$  (F'(G) in Förster notation) in every group G which satisfies the statements like (1)-(3). Firstly subgroup with this properties was mentioned by P. Schmid [6] in 1972. It was defined in explicit form by L. Shemetkov in 1978 [7, p.79]. P. Schmid and L. Shemetkov used this subgroup in the study of stable groups of automorphisms for groups.

**Definition 1.2.** The Shemetkov-Schmid subgroup  $\tilde{F}(G)$  of group G is defined as follows: (1)  $\tilde{F}(G) \supseteq \Phi(G)$ ; (2)  $\tilde{F}(G) / \Phi(G) = Soc(G / \Phi(G)).$ 

**Proposition 1.3** [8], [9].  $F^*(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$  for any group G.

The following example shows that in general case  $F^*(G) \neq \tilde{F}(G)$ .

**Example 1.4.** Let  $G \cong A_5$  be the alternating group on 5 letters and  $K = F_3$ . According to [10] there is a faithful irreducible Frattini K*G*-module *A* of dimension 4. According to known Gaschütz theorem [11], there exists a Frattini extension  $A \to R \Rightarrow G$  such that *A* is *G*-isomorphic  $\Phi(R)$  and  $R/\Phi(R) \cong G$ . From the properties of module *A* it follows that  $\tilde{F}(R) = R$  and  $F^*(R) = \Phi(R)$ .

In this paper we continue to investigate the properties of the Shemetkov – Schmid subgroup and related subgroups. There is an overview of some applications of considered subgroups.

**2 Preliminaries.** We use standard notation and terminology, which can be found in [12], [13] if necessary. Recall that for a group G,  $\Phi(G)$  is the Frattini subgroup of G;  $\Delta(G)$  is the intersection of all maximal abnormal subgroups of G and G; Z(G) is the center of G;  $Z_{\infty}(G)$  is the hypercenter of G; Soc(G) is the socle of G;  $G_F$  is the F-radical of G for a  $N_0$ -closed class F with 1;  $G^F$  is the F-residual of G for a formation F; N is the class of all nilpotent groups, N<sup>\*</sup> is the class of all quasinilpotent groups;  $F_p$  is a field composed by p elements.

A class of group F is said to be  $N_0$ -closed if  $A, B \triangleleft G$  and  $A, B \in F$  imply  $AB \in F$ .

A class of group F is said to be  $S_n$ -closed if  $A \triangleleft G$  and  $G \in F$  imply  $A \in F$ .

**Lemma 2.1** [12, p. 127]. Let G be a group. Then  $C_G(F^*(G)) \le F(G)$ .

**Lemma 2.2** [7, p. 95], [14]. Let G be a group. Then  $\Delta(G / \Phi(G)) = \Delta(G) / \Phi(G) = Z_{\infty}(G / \Phi(G)) = Z(G / \Phi(G))$  and  $\Delta(G)$  is nilpotent.

**3** Properties of  $\tilde{F}(G)$  and related subgroups. It is well known that F(F(G)) = F(G) and  $F^*(F^*(G)) = F^*(G)$ . In [4] P. Forster showed that there is a group G such that  $\tilde{F}(\tilde{F}(G)) < \tilde{F}(G)$ . He shows that there is a nonabelian simple group E which has  $F_pE$ -module V such that R = Rad(V) is faithful irreducible  $F_pE$ -module and V/R is irreducible trivial  $F_pE$ -module. Let H be the semidirect product  $V\lambda E$ . Then H' = RE is a primitive group and |H:H'| = p. There is  $F_qH$ -module W with  $C_H(W) = H'$ , where  $q \neq p$ . Let  $G = W\lambda E$ . Then  $\Phi(G) = \Phi(H) = R$  and  $Soc(G/R) = W \times ER/R$ . So  $\tilde{F}(G) = W \times ER$  and  $\Phi(\tilde{F}(G)) = 1$ . It means that  $\tilde{F}(\tilde{F}(G)) = Soc(\tilde{F}(G)) = RW < \tilde{F}(G)$ . This example led us to the following definition.

**Definition 3.1.** Let G be a finite group. For any nonnegative integer n define the subgroup  $\tilde{F}^n(G)$  by:  $\tilde{F}^0(G) = G$  and  $\tilde{F}^n(G) = \tilde{F}(\tilde{F}^{n-1}(G))$  for n > 0.

It is clear that  $\tilde{F}^{i}(G) = \tilde{F}^{i-1}(G) = \tilde{F}(\tilde{F}^{i-1}(G))$  for some *i*. So we can define the subgroup  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)$  as the minimal subgroup in the series  $G = \tilde{F}^{0}(G) \supseteq \tilde{F}^{1}(G) \supseteq \dots$ . Now  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G) = \tilde{F}^{\infty}(\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G))$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** Let n be a natural number, N and H be normal subgroups of a group G. Then:

(1) If  $N \le \Phi(\tilde{F}^{n-1}(G))$  then  $\tilde{F}^{n}(G/N) = \tilde{F}^{n}(G)/N$ ; (2)  $F^{*}(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}^{n}(G)$ ; (3) If  $\Phi(\tilde{F}^{n-1}(G)) = 1$  then  $\tilde{F}^{n}(G) = F^{*}(G)$ ; (4)  $C_{G}(\tilde{F}^{n}(G)) \subseteq F(G)$ ; (5)  $\tilde{F}^{n}(N) \le \tilde{F}^{n}(G)$ ; (6)  $\tilde{F}^{n}(G)N/N \le \tilde{F}^{n}(G/N)$ ; (7) If  $G = N \times H$  then  $\tilde{F}^{n}(G) = \tilde{F}^{n}(H) \times \tilde{F}^{n}(N)$ . *Proof.* (1) When n=1 it directly follows from the definition of  $\tilde{F}(G)$  and  $\Phi(G/N) = \Phi(G)/N$ . By induction by *n* we obtain this statement.

(2) The proof was proposed by L. Shemetkov to the authors in case if n = 1. Let a group *G* be the minimal order counterexample for (2). If  $\Phi(G) \neq 1$  then for  $G/\Phi(G)$  the statement is true. From  $F^*(G)/\Phi(G) \subseteq F^*(G/\Phi(G))$  and  $\tilde{F}(G/\Phi(G)) = \tilde{F}(G)/\Phi(G)$  we have that  $F^*(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$ . It is a contradiction with the choice of *G*.

Let  $\Phi(G) = 1$ . Now  $\tilde{F}(G) = Soc(G)$ . By 13.14.X [12]  $F^*(G) = E(G)F(G)$ . Note  $\Phi(E(G)) = 1$ . Since 13.7.X [12] E(G)/Z(E(G)) is the direct product of simple nonabelian groups, Z(E(G)) = F(E(G)). From the theorem 10.6.A [15] we conclude that E(G) = HZ(E(G)), where H is the complement to Z(E(G) in E(G). Now H is the direct product of simple nonabelian groups. Since  $HcharE(G) \triangleleft G$ , we have  $H \triangleleft G$ . Note  $H \subseteq Soc(G)$ . Since  $Z(E(G)) \subseteq F(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$ and  $H \subseteq Soc(G)$ , it follows that  $E(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$ . Now  $F^*(G) = E(G)F(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$ . It is a contradiction with the choice of G.

Assume that  $F^*(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}^n(G)$  for  $n \ge 1$ . It means that  $F^*(\tilde{F}^n(G)) = F^*(G)$ . By induction  $F^*(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}^{n+1}(G)$ .

(3) If  $\Phi(\tilde{F}^{n-1}(G)) = 1$  then  $\tilde{F}^n(G)$  is the socle of  $\tilde{F}^{n-1}(G)$  and hence  $\tilde{F}^n(G)$  is quasinilpotent. From  $F^*(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}^n(G)$  it follows that  $\tilde{F}^n(G) = F^*(G)$ .

(4) From  $F^*(G) \leq \tilde{F}^n(G)$  it follows that  $C_G(\tilde{F}^n(G)) \leq C_G(F^*(G))$ . Since  $C_G(F^*(G)) \leq F(G)$  by lemma 2.1, we see that  $C_G(\tilde{F}^n(G)) \leq F(G)$ .

(5) Since  $\Phi(N) \leq \Phi(G)$ , we see that  $\tilde{F}(G/\Phi(N)) = \tilde{F}(G)/\Phi(N)$ . Note that  $\tilde{F}(G)/\Phi(N)$  is quasinilpotent. Hence  $\tilde{F}(N)/\Phi(N) \subseteq F^*(G/\Phi(N)) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G/\Phi(N)) = \tilde{F}(G)/\Phi(N)$ . Thus  $\tilde{F}(N) \leq \tilde{F}(G)$ . By induction  $\tilde{F}^n(N) \leq \tilde{F}^n(G)$ .

(6) Note that  $\tilde{F}(G)N/N/\Phi(G)N/N \cong \tilde{F}(G)N/\Phi(G)N \cong \tilde{F}(G)/\tilde{F}(G) \cap \Phi(G)N$ . From  $\Phi(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G) \cap \Phi(G)N$  it follows that  $\tilde{F}(G)N/N/\Phi(G)N/N$  is quasinilpotent. Since  $\Phi(G)N/N \subseteq \Phi(G/N)$ , we see that  $\tilde{F}(G)N/N \leq \tilde{F}(G/N)$ .

Assume that  $\tilde{F}^n(G)N/N \leq \tilde{F}^n(G/N)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ . Now  $\tilde{F}^{n+1}(G/N) = \tilde{F}(\tilde{F}^n(G/N)) \geq \tilde{F}(\tilde{F}^n(G)N/N) \geq \tilde{F}(\tilde{F}^n(G)N)N/N \geq \tilde{F}(\tilde{F}^n(G)N/N = \tilde{F}^{n+1}(G)N/N)$ by the previous step and (5).

(7) Assume that the statement is false for n = 1. Let a group G be a counterexample of minimal order. Assume that  $\Phi(G) = 1$ . Then  $G / \Phi(G) = H\Phi(G) / \Phi(G) \times N\Phi(G) / \Phi(G)$ .

Note that  $H\Phi(G)/\Phi(G) \cong H/H \cap \Phi(G) = H/H \cap (\Phi(H) \times \Phi(N)) = H/\Phi(H)$ . By analogy  $N\Phi(G)/\Phi(G) \cong N/\Phi(N)$ . So  $\tilde{F}(G/\Phi(G)) \cong \tilde{F}(H/\Phi(H)) \times \tilde{F}(N/\Phi(N))$ . From

 $\tilde{F}(G/\Phi(G)) = \tilde{F}(G)/\Phi(G), \ \tilde{F}(N/\Phi(N)) = \tilde{F}(N)/\Phi(N) \text{ and } \tilde{F}(H/\Phi(H)) = \tilde{F}(H)/\Phi(H)$ it follows that  $\tilde{F}(G)/\Phi(G) \cong \tilde{F}(H)/\Phi(H) \times \tilde{F}(N)/\Phi(N)$ . Now

$$\frac{\left|\tilde{F}(G)\right|}{\left|\Phi(G)\right|} = \frac{\left|\tilde{F}(H)\right|}{\left|\Phi(H)\right|} \cdot \frac{\left|\tilde{F}(N)\right|}{\left|\Phi(N)\right|}$$

From  $\Phi(G) = \Phi(N) \times \Phi(H)$  it follows that  $|\tilde{F}(G)| = |\tilde{F}(N)| |\tilde{F}(H)|$ . From (5) it follows that  $\tilde{F}(N) \le \tilde{F}(G)$  and  $\tilde{F}(H) \le \tilde{F}(G)$ . Thus  $\tilde{F}(G) = \tilde{F}(H) \times \tilde{F}(N)$ , a contradiction.

Now  $\Phi(G) = 1$ . So  $\tilde{F}(G) = F^*(G)$ ,  $\tilde{F}(N) = F^*(N)$  and  $\tilde{F}(H) = F^*(H)$ . It is well known that  $F^*(H \times N) = F^*(H) \times F^*(N)$ , the final contradiction.

By induction we have that  $\tilde{F}^n(G) = \tilde{F}^n(H) \times \tilde{F}^n(N)$ .  $\Box$ 

From proposition 3.2 properties of  $\tilde{F}(G)$  follow. **Corollary 3.3.** Let N and H be normal subgroups of a group G. Then: (1) [9] If  $N \leq \Phi(G)$  then  $\tilde{F}(G/N) = \tilde{F}(G)/N$ ; (2) [8], [9]  $F^*(G) \subset \tilde{F}(G)$ ; (3) [4] If  $\Phi(G) = 1$  then  $\tilde{F}(G) = F^*(G)$ ; (4) [6], [7]  $C_{c}(\tilde{F}(G)) \subset \tilde{F}(G);$ (5) [4]  $\tilde{F}(N) \leq \tilde{F}(G)$ ; (6) [4]  $\tilde{F}(G)N/N \leq \tilde{F}(G/N)$ ; KOPMHE (7) If  $G = N \times H$  then  $\tilde{F}(G) = \tilde{F}(H) \times \tilde{F}(N)$ . Also we obtain new properties of  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)$ . **Corollary 3.4.** Let N and H be normal subgroups of a group G. Then (1)  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)/\Phi(\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G))$  is quasinilpotent; (2)  $F^*(G) \subset \tilde{F}^{\infty}(G) \subset \tilde{F}(G);$ (3) If  $\Phi(\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)) = 1$  then  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G) = F^{*}(G)$ ; (4)  $C_G(\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)) \subseteq F(G);$ (5)  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(N) \leq \tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)$ ; (6)  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)N/N \leq \tilde{F}^{\infty}(G/N)$ : (7) If  $G = N \times H$  then  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G) = \tilde{F}^{\infty}(H) \times \tilde{F}^{\infty}(N)$ .

In [4] Förster introduced a class  $\hat{N} = E_{\Phi} N^* = (G | \tilde{F}(G) = G)$  and showed that  $\hat{N}$  is  $N_0$ -closed. Shunck class that is neither formation nor  $s_n$ -closed. Note that  $\hat{N} = (G | \tilde{F}^{\infty}(G) = G)$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** Let G be a group. Then  $G_{\hat{N}} = \tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)$ , i.e.  $\tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)$  is the maximal among normal subgroups N of G such that  $N / \Phi(N)$  is quasinilpotent.

*Proof.* From  $G_{\hat{N}} / \Phi(G_{\hat{N}}) \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and  $\Phi(G_{\hat{N}}) \leq \Phi(G)$  it follows that  $G_{\mathbb{N}} \leq \tilde{F}(G)$ . By induction  $G_{\hat{N}} = \tilde{F}(G_{\hat{N}}) \leq \tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)$ . By proposition 3.2 and the definition of  $\hat{N}$  we obtain  $G_{\mathbb{N}} = \tilde{F}^{\infty}(G)$ .  $\Box$ 

**Problem 3.6.** Let F be an  $N_0$ -closed class of groups and  $1 \in F$ . Then there is the maximal normal F-subgroup  $G_F$  in any group G. In the context of our work the following general problem appears: to describe all  $N_0$ -closed classes (formations, Fitting classes, Shunck classes) F with 1 for which one of the following statements holds:

- (1)  $F(G) \subseteq G_F \subseteq F^*(G)$  for any group *G*;
- (2)  $F^*(G) \subseteq G_F \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$  for any group *G*;
- (3)  $F(G) \subseteq G_F \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$  for any group *G*.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let F be a  $N_0$ -closed formation. Then:

(1) If F is a saturated formation and  $F(G) \subseteq G_F \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$  for any group G then F = N.

(2) If  $F^*(G) \subseteq G_F \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$  for any group G then  $F = N^*$ .

*Proof.* Let prove (1). From  $F(G) \subseteq G_F$  it follows that  $N \subseteq F$ . Assume that the set  $F \setminus N$  is not empty and we choose a minimal order group G from it. Since F and N are both saturated formations, from minimality of G we may assume that  $\Phi(G) = 1$  and there is only one minimal normal subgroup of G. From  $G_F \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$  it follows that G = Soc(G) is nonabelian simple group. From [10] it follows that for prime p dividing |G| there exist faithful irreducible  $F_pG$ -module A admitting a group extension  $A \to E \Rightarrow G$  with  $A \subseteq \Phi(G)$ . Since F is a saturated formation so  $E \in F$  and A/1 is chief factor of E. According to [15, p. 335] we see that  $H=A \lambda$  (E/A)  $\in F$ . Note that  $\tilde{F}(H)=A$ , a contradiction. Thus N = F.

Let prove (2). From  $F^*(G) \subseteq G_F$  it follows that N\*  $\subseteq F$ . Assume that the set  $F \setminus N^*$  is not empty and *G* is a group a minimal order from it. Since F and N\* are both formations, from minimality of *G* 

we may assume that there is only one minimal normal subgroup N of G. If  $\Phi(G) = 1$  then  $G = Soc(G) \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , a contradiction. So  $N \subset \Phi(G)$ .

Now *N* is a normal elementary abelian *p*-subgroup *G*. By our assumption  $G/N \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Assume that  $C_G(N) = G$ . Now *G* acts as inner automorphisms on *N*/1 and on every chief factor of G/N. By definition of quasinilpotent groups  $G \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , a contradiction. Hence  $C_G(N) \neq G$ . Note that *N* is the unique minimal subgroup of  $H = N\lambda (G/C_G(N)) \in \mathbb{F}$  by [15, p. 335] and  $\Phi(H) = 1$ . So  $\tilde{F}(H) = N$  and  $H_F = H$ , a contradiction. Thus  $\mathbb{N}^* = \mathbb{F}$ .  $\Box$ 

Let consider another direction of generalization of the Fitting subgroup. A subgroup functor  $\tau$  is called *m*-functor if  $\tau(G)$  contains *G* and some maximal subgroups of *G* for every group *G*. Recall [16, p. 198] that  $\Phi_{\tau}(G)$  is the intersection of all subgroups from  $\tau(G)$ .

**Definition 3.8.** Let  $\tau$  be *m*-functor. For every group *G* subgroup  $\tilde{F}_{\tau}(G)$  is defined as follows:

1)  $\Phi_{\tau}(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}_{\tau}(G);$ 

2)  $\tilde{F}_{\tau}(G) / \Phi_{\tau}(G) = Soc(G / \Phi_{\tau}(G)).$ 

If  $\tau(G)$  is the set of all maximal subgroups of *G* for any group *G* then we obtain the definition of  $\tilde{F}(G)$ . If  $\tau(G)$  is the set of all maximal abnormal subgroups and *G* for any group *G* then  $\Phi_{\tau}(G) = \Delta(G)$ . Subgroup  $\tilde{F}_{\tau}(G) = \tilde{F}_{\Lambda}(G)$  was introduced by M. Selkin and R. Borodich [17].

**Proposition 3.9.** Let G be a group. Then  $\Delta(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$  and  $\tilde{F}(G / \Delta(G)) = \tilde{F}(G) / \Delta(G)$ .

*Proof.* From lemma 2.2 it follows that  $\Delta(G) \subseteq \tilde{F}(G)$ . Let a group *G* be a counterexample of minimal order to the second statement of proposition. Assume that  $\Phi(G) \neq 1$ . By inductive hypothesis

$$\tilde{F}((G / \Phi(G)) / \Delta(G / \Phi(G))) = \tilde{F}(G / \Phi(G)) / \Delta(G / \Phi(G))$$

Now  $\Delta(G / \Phi(G)) = \Delta(G) / \Phi(G)$  by lemma 2.2 and  $\tilde{F}(G / \Phi(G)) = \tilde{F}(G) / \Phi(G)$  by corollary 3.3 (1).

$$\tilde{F}((G / \Phi(G) / \Delta(G / \Phi(G)))) = \tilde{F}(G / \Phi(G) / \Delta(G) / \Phi(G)) \cong \tilde{F}(G / \Delta(G))$$

 $\tilde{F}(G/\Phi(G))/\Delta(G/\Phi(G)) = \tilde{F}(G)/\Phi(G)/\Delta(G)/\Phi(G) \cong \tilde{F}(G)/\Delta(G)$ 

Hence  $|\tilde{F}(G)/\Delta(G)| = |\tilde{F}(G/\Delta(G))|$ . By corollary 3.3 (6) it follows that  $\tilde{F}(G)/\Delta(G) \le \tilde{F}(G/\Delta(G))$ . Thus  $\tilde{F}(G)/\Delta(G) = \tilde{F}(G/\Delta(G))$ , a contradiction.

Now  $\Phi(G) = 1$ . It means that  $\Delta(G) = Z(G) \leq Soc(G)$ . So Z(G) is complemented in *G*. Let *M* be a complement of Z(G) in *G*. Hence  $M \triangleleft G$  and  $G = M \times Z(G) = M \times \Delta(G)$ . Note that  $M \cong G / \Delta(G)$ . From corollary 3.3 (7) it follows that  $\tilde{F}(G) = \tilde{F}(M) \times \tilde{F}(\Delta(G)) = \tilde{F}(M) \times \Delta(G)$ . Thus  $\tilde{F}(G / \Delta(G)) \cong \tilde{F}(M) \cong \tilde{F}(G) / \Delta(G)$ . From corollary 3.3 (6) we obtain the final contradiction.  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 3.10.** Let G be a group. Then  $\tilde{F}_{\Lambda}(G) = \tilde{F}(G)$ .

**Proposition 3.11.** Let G be a group. Then  $\tilde{F}_{\tau}(G) \ge \tilde{F}(G)$ . In particular  $C_{G}(\tilde{F}_{\tau}(G)) \le \tilde{F}_{\tau}(G)$ .

*Proof.* From corollary 3.3 it follows that if  $N \triangleleft G$  and  $\Phi(G) \subseteq N$  then  $\tilde{F}(G)N/N$  is quasinilpotent. Also note that  $\Phi(G/\Phi_{\tau}(G)) = 1$ . By corollary 3.3  $F^*(G/\Phi_{\tau}(G)) = Soc(G/\Phi_{\tau}(G))$ . Hence  $\tilde{F}(G)\Phi_{\tau}(G)/\Phi_{\tau}(G) \leq Soc(G/\Phi_{\tau}(G))$ . Thus  $\tilde{F}_{\tau}(G) \geq \tilde{F}(G)$ . The second statement follows from (4) of corollary 3.3.  $\Box$ 

**4.** Applications of Shemetkov-Schmid subgroup and related subgroups. In [8] A. Vasil'ev and etc. proved the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.1.** The intersection of all maximal subgroups M of a group G such that  $M\tilde{F}(G) = G$  is the Frattini subgroup  $\Phi(G)$  of G.

Another direction of applications of generalizations of the Fitting subgroup is connected with the following concept. Recall [16], that a subgroup functor is a function  $\tau$  which assigns

to each group G a possibly empty set  $\tau(G)$  of subgroups of G satisfying  $f(\tau(G)) = \tau(f(G))$  for any isomorphism  $f: G \to G^*$ .

**Definition 4.2.** Let  $\theta$  be a subgroup functor and R be a subgroup of a group G. We will call a subgroup H of G the  $R - \theta$ -subgroup if  $H \in \theta(\langle H, R \rangle)$ .

Let  $\theta$  be the **P**-subnormal subgroup functor. Recall [18] that a subgroup *H* of a group *G* is called **P**-subnormal in *G* if H = G or there is a chain of subgroup  $H = H_0 < H_1 < ... < H_n = G$  where  $|H_i: H_{i-1}|$  is a prime for i = 1, ..., n. O. Kramer's theorem [19, p.12] states

**Theorem 4.3.** If every maximal subgroup of a soluble group G is F(G)-**P**-subnormal then G is supersoluble.

This theorem was generalized by Yangming Li, Xianhua Li in [9].

**Theorem 4.4.** A group G is supersoluble if and only if every maximal subgroup of G is  $\tilde{F}(G)$ -**P**-subnormal.

It is well known that a group G is nilpotent if and only if every maximal subgroup of G is normal in G.

**Theorem 4.5.** A group G is nilpotent if and only if every maximal subgroup of G is  $\tilde{F}(G)$ -subnormal.

Let  $\theta$  be the conjugate-permutable subgroup functor. Recall [20] that a subgroup H of a group G is called conjugate-permutable if  $HH^x = H^x H$  for all  $x \in G$ .

**Corollary 4.4** [21]. A group G is nilpotent if and only if every maximal subgroup of G is  $\tilde{F}(G)$ -conjugate-permutable.

**Corollary 4.7** [8], [21]. If G is a non-nilpotent group then there is an abnormal maximal subgroup M of G such that  $G=M\tilde{F}(G)$ .

**Theorem 4.8** *The following statements for a group G are equivalent*:

(1) *G* is nilpotent;

(2) Every abnormal subgroup of G is  $F^*(G)$ -subnormal subgroup of G;

(3) All normalizers of Sylow subgroups of G are  $F^*(G)$ -subnormal subgroups of G;

(4) All cyclic primary subgroups of G are  $F^*(G)$ -subnormal subgroups of G;

(5) All Sylow subgroups of G are  $F^*(G)$ -subnormal subgroups of G.

**Corollary 4.9.** A group G is nilpotent if and only if the normalizers of all Sylow subgroups of G contain  $F^*(G)$ .

**Theorem 4.10** [22]. If a group G is a product of two F(G)-subnormal nilpotent subgroups A and B then G is nilpotent.

**Theorem 4.11.** Let a group G=AB, where A and B are F(G)-subnormal supersoluble subgroups of G. If [A,B] is nilpotent, then G is supersoluble.

The well known result states that a group G is supersoluble if it contains two subnormal supersoluble subgroups with coprime indexes in G.

The following example shows this result will fail if we replace «normal» by  $\ll F(G)$ -subnormal». Let *G* be the symmetric group on 3 letters. By theorem 10.3B [158, p. 173] there is a faithful irreducible  $F_7G$ -module *V* and the dimension of *V* is 2. Let *R* be the semidirect product of *V* and *G*. Let  $A = VG_3$  and  $B = VG_2$  where  $G_p$  is a Sylow *p*-subgroup of *G*,  $p \in \{2, 3\}$ . Since  $7 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  for  $p \in \{2, 3\}$ , it is easy to check that subgroups *A* and *B* are supersoluble. Since *V* is faithful irreducible module, F(R) = V. Therefore *A* and *B* are the F(R)-subnormal subgroups of *G*. Note that R = AB but *R* is not supersoluble.

**Theorem 4.12.** Let A, B and C be a F(G)-subnormal supersoluble subgroups of a group G. If indexes of A, B and C in G are pairwise coprime then G is supersoluble.

**Corollary 4.13.** Let A, B and C be a supersoluble subgroups of a group G. If indexes of A, B and C in G are pairwise coprime and  $F(G) \subseteq A \cap B \cap C$  then G is supersoluble.

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