

## 71. Sylow Subgroups in a Pair of Locally Finite Groups

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**Introduction.** Following Z. Goseki [2] we define a collection  $(A, B, f, g)$  as follows: Let  $A$  and  $B$  be groups. If there are homomorphisms  $f$  and  $g$  such that  $\xrightarrow{g} A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} A \xrightarrow{f}$  is exact, we say that the collection  $(A, B, f, g)$  is well defined. Suppose  $(C, D, f_1, g_1)$  is well defined where  $C$  and  $D$  are subgroups of  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. If  $f_1 = f$  on  $C$  and  $g_1 = g$  on  $D$  then we call  $(C, D, f_1, g_1)$  a subgroup of  $(A, B, f, g)$  and denote it by  $(C, D, f, g)$ . If  $C \triangleleft A$  and  $D \triangleleft B$  then  $(C, D, f, g)$  is a normal subgroup of  $(A, B, f, g)$ . Goseki [2] states that if  $(C, D, f, g)$  is a subgroup such that  $C$  is a Sylow  $p$  subgroup of  $A$  then  $D$  is a Sylow  $p$  subgroup of  $B$ .

We prove that this statement does not hold in general but does hold for a wide class  $\Gamma_p$  of groups which contains for example periodic soluble linear groups and  $FC$  groups (locally normal groups).  $\pi$  will always denote a set of primes and  $\pi'$  its complementary set.

The following fact is a direct consequence of Zorn's lemma. "Let  $G$  be any group. Then every  $\pi$  subgroup of  $G$  is contained in a maximal  $\pi$  subgroup of  $G$ ". In particular  $G$  possesses a maximal  $\pi$  subgroup, we shall refer to such as  $S_\pi$  subgroups.

**Definitions.** 1) A local system for a group  $G$  is a set  $\Sigma$  of subgroups such that every finite subset of  $G$  is contained in some member of  $\Sigma$ .

2) A group is locally finite if it has a local system consisting of finite subgroups.

In this paper all groups will be locally finite and all local systems will consist of finite subgroups.

Following [8] we define an  $S_\pi$  subgroup to be good if it reduces into a local system.

**Definition.** An  $S_\pi$  subgroup  $P$  of  $G$  is good with respect to a local system  $\Sigma$  if for each  $X \in \Sigma$  we have that  $P \cap X$  is an  $S_\pi$  subgroup of  $X$ . We say that  $P$  is good if there is some local system with respect to which it is good.

It is not hard to prove ([8], Proposition 1.12) that

**Proposition 1.** If  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ ,  $P$  is an  $S_\pi$  subgroup of  $G$  which is good with respect to  $\Sigma$  and  $P \cap X$  is a Hall  $\pi$  subgroup of  $X$  for each  $X$  then  $P \cap N$  and  $PN/N$  are good  $S_\pi$  subgroups