

75. A Family of Finite Nilpotent Groups

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1. Introduction. The primary purpose of this paper is to show that Theorems 1 and 2 in our previous work [3] can be extended to a much wider class of p -genera of capitulation than of regular ones, as was mentioned there in Remark 3. But we shall be concerned here thoroughly with finite nilpotent groups.

As far as transfers of a p -group G to its normal subgroups are concerned, it was confirmed in [2] that we have

$$V_{G \rightarrow N}(g) = g^{[G:N]} \cdot [N, N]$$

for every $g \in G$ and every normal subgroup N of G if G is regular. Here $V_{G \rightarrow N}$ is the transfer of G to N and $[N, N]$ denotes the commutator subgroup of N . In this paper, we show that this phenomenon on transfers appears in the nilpotent groups of a wider family than that of regular groups. In fact, this new family is closed under the operation of taking direct products though the direct product of two regular p -groups is not necessarily regular in general (e.g. Weichsel [4]). It is also closed under the operation of taking quotient groups. But it should be noted that it is not closed under taking (normal) subgroups. We shall give a method of constructing members of the new family from a special type of p -groups which do not belong to the family, and see that there are a lot of irregular p -groups in the family even if $p=2$.

2. The property TNP of finite nilpotent groups. Let G be a finite nilpotent group.

Definition. G has the property TNP, or is a TNP-group if the transfer of G to every normal subgroup N of G coincides with the $[G:N]$ -th power map modulo $[N, N]$, or in other words, if we have

$$V_{G \rightarrow N}(g) = g^{[G:N]} \cdot [N, N] \quad \text{for } \forall g \in G$$

for every normal subgroup N of G .

Proposition 1. A quotient group of a TNP-group is a TNP-group.

Proof. Let G be a TNP-group, and M be a normal subgroup of G . Put $\bar{G} = G/M$. Then every normal subgroup \bar{N} of \bar{G} corresponds to a normal subgroup N of G containing M . Then $N \setminus G$ and $\bar{N} \setminus \bar{G}$ are canonically isomorphic. Therefore, by the definition of transfers, we have the commutative diagram,