

Multiple Holomorphs and Hopf-Galois Structures

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Hopf-Galois Theory

An extension K/k is Hopf-Galois if there is a k -Hopf algebra H and a k -algebra homomorphism $\mu : H \rightarrow \text{End}_k(K)$ such that

- $\mu(ab) = \sum_{(h)} \mu(h_{(1)}(a))\mu(h_{(2)})(b)$
- $K^H = \{a \in K \mid \mu(h)(a) = \epsilon(h)a \ \forall h \in H\} = k$
- μ induces $I \otimes \mu : K \# H \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{End}_k(K)$

Although Hopf-Galois theory was developed to address the failure of ordinary Galois theory for non-separable extensions, a prime example is when K/k is Galois with group G , for then $H = k[G]$ acts to make K/k Hopf-Galois.

Greither and Pareigis [4] detailed the requirements for a separable extension K/k (which may or may not be Galois) to be Hopf-Galois.

What was also observed (which are the cases we will examine here), is that an already Galois extension K/k with $G = \text{Gal}(K/k)$ can be Hopf-Galois with respect to other k -Hopf algebras, besides $k[G]$.

Normal or not, the Greither-Pareigis theory enumerates the different possible structures.

Let K/k be a finite Galois extension with $G = \text{Gal}(K/k)$. G acting on itself by left translation yields an embedding

$$\lambda : G \hookrightarrow B = \text{Perm}(G)$$

Definition: $N \leq B$ is *regular* if N acts transitively and fixed point freely on G .

Theorem

[4] *The following are equivalent:*

- *There is a k -Hopf algebra H such that K/k is H -Galois*
- *There is a regular subgroup $N \leq B$ s.t. $\lambda(G) \leq \text{Norm}_B(N)$ where N yields $H = (K[N])^G$.*

We note that N must necessarily have the same order as G , but need not be isomorphic.

To organize the enumeration of the Hopf-Galois structures, one considers

$$R(G) = \{N \leq B \mid N \text{ regular and } \lambda(G) \leq \text{Norm}_B(N)\}$$

which are the totality of all N giving rise to H-G structures, which we can subdivide into isomorphism classes given that N need not be isomorphic to G , to wit, let

$$R(G, [M]) = \{N \in R(G) \mid N \cong M\}$$

for each isomorphism class $[M]$ of group of order $|G|$.

Holomorphs and Multiple Holomorphs

From the regular subgroup $\lambda(G) \leq B$ one defines the classical notion of the holomorph $Hol(G)$ as $Norm_B(\lambda(G)) = \rho(G)Aut(G)$ where $\rho(G)$ is the right regular representation and $Aut(G)$ is the set of those elements of the normalizer that fix the identity of G which is, of course, isomorphic to the abstract formulation as $G \rtimes Aut(G)$.

Also, for any other regular subgroup $N \leq B$, the normalizer $Norm_B(N)$ is isomorphic to the holomorph of N as well.

In the formulation of $Norm_B(\lambda(G))$, one has in fact that it equals $\lambda(G)Aut(G)$ as well, and in fact, that $Norm_B(\lambda(G)) = Norm_B(\rho(G))$.

For a non-Abelian group G , $\lambda(G)$ and $\rho(G)$ are distinct but have the same normalizers.

This is the prime example of what one considers when formulating the so-called *multiple holomorph* of G .

For $\lambda(G) \leq B = \text{Perm}(G)$, one can ask for what other regular subgroups $N \leq B$ have the same normalizer, (holomorph) as G , namely $\text{Hol}(N) = \text{Hol}(G)$.

The equality of holomorphs implies that $N \leq \text{Hol}(G)$ already. If we restrict our attention to those N which are isomorphic to G then N is a conjugate of $\lambda(G)$ by regularity.

So for such an N , where $\tau \in B$ is such that $\tau\lambda(G)\tau^{-1} = N$ then

$$\begin{aligned}\tau \text{Norm}_B(\lambda(G))\tau^{-1} &= \text{Norm}_B(\tau\lambda(G)\tau^{-1}) \\ &= \text{Norm}_B(N) \\ &= \text{Norm}_B(\lambda(G))\end{aligned}$$

which means $\tau \in \text{Norm}_B(\text{Hol}(G))$, and the converse is true as well.

If we define

$$\mathcal{H}(G) = \{N \leq \text{Hol}(G) \mid N \text{ regular, } N \cong G \text{ and } \text{Hol}(N) = \text{Hol}(G)\}$$

then the multiple holmorph is $N\text{Hol}(G) = \text{Norm}_B(\text{Hol}(G))$ where $\text{Orb}_{N\text{Hol}(G)}(\lambda(G)) = \mathcal{H}(G)$.

As $\text{Hol}(G) \triangleleft N\text{Hol}(G)$ one can look at $T(G) = N\text{Hol}(G)/\text{Hol}(G)$ which acts *regularly* on $\mathcal{H}(G)$.

We will see soon the application of $N\text{Hol}(G)$ to the enumeration of $R(G, [M])$.

The size of $T(G)$ has been determined for various classes of groups.

For example, Miller in 1908 determined $T(G)$ for G finite abelian.

We note that if $G = G_1 \times G_2$ where $\gcd(|G_1|, |G_2|) = 1$ then, of course, $\text{Aut}(G) \cong \text{Aut}(G_1) \times \text{Aut}(G_2)$ but the same holds for $\text{Hol}(G)$ and $\text{NHol}(G)$.

If G is abelian of odd order then $T(G)$ is trivial.

Let $|G| = 2^m$ for some m .

- $G \cong C_{2^{2+\epsilon}} \times C_{2^{2+\epsilon-\delta}} \times \overline{G}$ for $\epsilon > \delta > 0$ and $\exp(\overline{G}) < 2^{2+\epsilon-\delta}$ implies $T(G) \cong C_2 \times C_2$
- $G \cong C_{2^{2+\epsilon}} \times C_{2^{2+\epsilon-\delta}} \times C_{2^{2+\epsilon-\delta}} \times \overline{G}$ for $\epsilon > \delta > 0$ and $\exp(\overline{G}) \leq 2^{2+\epsilon-\delta}$ implies $T(G) \cong C_2$
- $G \cong C_{2^m}$ for $m \geq 3$ implies $T(G) \cong C_2$
- $G \cong C_4 \times C_2$ implies $T(G) \cong C_2$
- $G \cong C_{2^{3+\epsilon}} \times C_{2^{3+\epsilon}} \times \overline{G}$ for $\epsilon \geq 0$ and $\exp(\overline{G}) \leq 2^{3+\epsilon}$ implies $T(G) \cong C_2$
- otherwise $|T(G)| = 1$

More recent examples:

- [2] If G is a non-Abelian simple group then $T(G) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$.
- [5] If $n = 2^e p_1^{f_1} p_2^{f_2} \cdots p_r^{f_r}$ then

$$T(D_n) \cong \{x \in U_n \mid x^2 = 1\} \cong \begin{cases} (\mathbb{Z}_2)^r & e \leq 1 \\ (\mathbb{Z}_2)^{r+1} & e = 2 \\ (\mathbb{Z}_2)^{r+2} & e \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

where $U_n = (\mathbb{Z}_n)^*$.

- [1] If G is a centerless perfect group then $T(G) \cong (\mathbb{Z}_2)^n$ where n is the number of components in the Remak-Krull-Schmidt decomposition of G as an $\text{Aut}(G)$ -group.
- [3] There is a class 2 p -group G such that $T(G) \cong \text{Hol}(C_p)$.
- [3] There are class 2 p -groups such that $T(G)$ contains a non-Abelian subgroup of order $(p-1) \cdot p^{\binom{n}{2}} \cdot \binom{n+1}{2}$.

$R(G, [M])$ as $Hol(G)$ -set

The enumeration of $R(G, [M])$ for different pairings of groups $(G, [M])$ of the same order has been done using a variety of techniques, usually based on structural and order conditions.

We are also going to consider properties of $R(G, [M])$ more broadly, by focusing less on specific classes of groups (mostly) but rather on the condition which defines membership in this set.

The result will be a conjecture (theorem?) which will give a bound on $|R(G, [M])|$ framed in fairly broad terms, not so specifically keyed to particular structural properties.

As the normalizer of a regular subgroup of $N \leq B$ is canonically isomorphic to $Hol(N) \leq Perm(N)$, we shall abuse notation slightly and call $Hol(N) = Norm_B(N)$ for $N \in R(G, [M])$.

As indicated, we will focus on the condition $\lambda(G) \leq Hol(N)$.
If $h \in Hol(G)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} h\lambda(G)h^{-1} &\leq hHol(N)h^{-1} \\ &\downarrow \\ \lambda(G) &\leq Hol(hNh^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

which means that $hNh^{-1} \in R(G, [M])$ as well.

As such $R(G, [M])$ is a $H = Hol(G)$ -set.

Since $Hol(G)$ can be quite large, a natural question to ask is whether $R(G, [M])$ is a transitive $Hol(G)$ -set?

As it turns out, the answer is No.

Later on, we will consider an 'action' on $R(G, [M])$ which is a bit 'more' transitive.

For a given N for $H = \text{Hol}(G)$, we can compute the isotropy subgroup H_N , namely

$$\begin{aligned} H_N &= \{h \in \text{Hol}(G) \mid hNh^{-1} = N\} \\ &= \text{Hol}(G) \cap \text{Hol}(N) \end{aligned}$$

so, by the Orbit-Stabilizer theorem, the orbit $\text{Orb}_H(N)$ of a given N has size

$$[H : H_N] = \frac{|\text{Hol}(G)|}{|\text{Hol}(G) \cap \text{Hol}(N)|}.$$

We are especially interested in when $Orb_H(N) = \{N\}$, namely when $N \in R(G, [M])_H$.

This occurs when $Hol(G) \cap Hol(N) = Hol(G)$ which leads to two different cases.

If $Hol(G) \leq Hol(N)$ then clearly $Hol(G) \cap Hol(N) = Hol(G)$.

If $Hol(N) \leq Hol(G)$ then we must have that $Hol(G) \leq Hol(N)$ as well since otherwise the intersection would be properly smaller than $Hol(G)$.

As such, if N_1, N_2, \dots, N_r are the orbit representatives of the non-trivial orbits of H acting on $R(G, [M])$ then

$$\begin{aligned} |R(G, [M])| &= |R(G, [M])_H| + \sum_{i=1}^r |\text{Orb}_H(N_i)| \\ &= |R(G, [M])_H| + \sum_{i=1}^r [\text{Hol}(G) : \text{Hol}(G) \cap \text{Hol}(N_i)] \end{aligned}$$

which, if we want to come up with a formulation similar to the class equation, makes one wonder if $|R(G, [M])_H|$ is the cardinality of a particular group, analogous to the role that $Z(G)$ plays in the study of conjugacy classes.

[Note: $R(G, [M])_H$ could be empty when $G \not\cong M$, for example if M has a smaller automorphism group than G .]

If $[M] = [G]$ then there is a natural analog, since then $|Hol(N)| = |Hol(G)|$ obviously, so that $Hol(G) \cap Hol(N) = Hol(G)$ implies that $Hol(G) = Hol(N)$.

As such N is a conjugate of $\lambda(G)$ by an element of $T(G)$.

Moreover, since for regular subgroups of B , two subgroups are isomorphic if and only if they're conjugate, then if $G \cong N$ such N are exactly determined by this quotient, that is $|R(G, [G])_H| = [NHol(G) : Hol(G)] = |T(G)|$.

As such, the above equation becomes:

$$|R(G, [G])| = |T(G)| + \sum_{i=1}^r [Hol(G) : Hol(G) \cap Hol(N_i)] \quad (1)$$

where, again, N_1, \dots, N_r are the orbit representatives for the non-trivial orbits of $R(G, [G])$ under the action of $Hol(G)$.

We'll get back to $R(G, [G])$ in a bit.

Action by $\text{Aut}(G)$

Simplification.

Since $\text{Hol}(G) = \rho(G)\text{Aut}(G) = \lambda(G)\text{Aut}(G) = \text{Aut}(G)\lambda(G)$ then if $N \in R(G, [M])$ and $h = \alpha\lambda(g) \in \text{Hol}(G)$ then

$$\begin{aligned}hNh^{-1} &= \alpha\lambda(g)N\lambda(g)^{-1}\alpha^{-1} \\ &= \alpha N\alpha^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

so that $\text{Orb}_{\text{Hol}(G)}(N) = \text{Orb}_{\text{Aut}(G)}(N)$ and concordantly

$$[\text{Hol}(G) : \text{Hol}(G) \cap \text{Hol}(N)] = [\text{Aut}(G) : \text{Aut}(G) \cap \text{Hol}(N)]$$

for each N .

If we follow the convention that

$$\text{Aut}(G) = \{\pi \in \text{Hol}(G) \mid \pi(i_G) = i_G\}$$

then if $N \in R(G, [M])$ then $\text{Hol}(N) = \text{Norm}_B(N) = N\text{Aut}(N)$ where

$$\text{Aut}(N) \cong \{\pi \in \text{Hol}(N) \mid \pi(i_G) = i_G\}.$$

and so $\text{Aut}(G) \cap \text{Hol}(N) = \text{Aut}(G) \cap \text{Aut}(N)$.

If $A = \text{Aut}(G)$ then the orbit formula becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} |R(G, [M])| &= |R(G, [M])_A| + \sum_{i=1}^r |\text{Orb}_A(N_i)| \\ &= |R(G, [M])_A| + \sum_{i=1}^r [\text{Aut}(G) : \text{Aut}(G) \cap \text{Aut}(N_i)] \end{aligned}$$

for N_1, \dots, N_r the non-trivial orbit representatives, and, again, for $R(G, [G])$ we get

$$|R(G, [G])| = |T(G)| + \sum_{i=1}^r [\text{Aut}(G) : \text{Aut}(G) \cap \text{Aut}(N_i)]$$

with $T(G)$ is the multiple holomorph as discussed earlier.

The multiple holomorph does not appear only in the $(G, [G])$ case, but more generally.

Recall a frequently quoted fact used in the enumeration of $R(G, [M])$, namely that

$$N \in R(G, [M]) \text{ implies } N^{opp} = Cent_B(N) \in R(G, [M])$$

since $Hol(N) = Hol(N^{opp})$ which, if $[M]$ is non-Abelian, means that $N \neq N^{opp}$ and so that $2 \mid |R(G, [M])|$.

However, since $N \cong N^{opp}$ then $N^{opp} = \tau N \tau^{-1}$ for some $\tau \in B$.

And since $Hol(N) = Hol(N^{opp})$ then $\tau \in T(N)$, the multiple holomorph of N .

Indeed, for a non-Abelian group N , one has that $|T(N)| \geq 2$ since it at least contains the element which conjugates N to its opposite.

More generally, for any regular $N \leq B$ one may write $T(N)$ to be the group of those $\tau \in B$ such that $\text{Hol}(N) = \text{Hol}(\tau N \tau^{-1})$ and that for each N in a given isomorphism class, all $T(N)$ are isomorphic.

This yields:

Theorem

For each isomorphism class $[M]$ of groups where $|M| = |G|$, one has that $|T(M)|$ divides $|R(G, [M])|$.

This is quite interesting since for a given $N \in R(G, [M])$ where $\alpha \in \text{Aut}(G)$ and $\tau \in T(N)$ one has

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \alpha(N) \\ \tau \downarrow & & \\ \tau(N) & & \end{array}$$

where both $\alpha(N)$ and $\tau(N)$ lie in $R(G, [M])$ where $|\text{Orb}_{T(N)}(N)| = |T(M)|$.

The idea we will explore is this simultaneous action of $\text{Aut}(G)$ and $T(M)$, where all $T(N)$ are isomorphic to $T(M)$ since each $N \in R(G, [M])$.

This is how the action of $T(M)$ must be understood since, for those N in $R(G, [M])$ which have the same holomorph, there is the group $T(N)$ whose orbit is this subset. As such, $R(G, [M])$ is divided into equivalence classes, each of size $|T(M)|$.

What we look to obtain is a bound on $|R(G, [M])|$ arising from these actions by $Aut(G)$ and $T(M)$.

As observed earlier, the action of $Aut(G)$ is neither transitive, nor fixed point free, and the action by $T(M)$ is fixed point free, but not transitive.

Conjecture: Is it possible (or when is it the case) that

$$|R(G, [M])| \leq |T(M)| \cdot |Aut(G)|$$

for groups $(G, [M])$ of some order n ?

In the enumeration of $R(G, [M])$ we have that $|T(M)|$ divides

$$|R(G, [M])_A| + \sum_{i=1}^r [Aut(G) : Aut(G) \cap Aut(N_i)]$$

but it's a slightly delicate question as to *how* it divides the terms.

And applied to $R(G, [G])$ where

$$|R(G, [G])| = |T(G)| + \sum_{i=1}^r [Aut(G) : Aut(G) \cap Aut(N_i)]$$

then $|T(G)|$ divides the first term on the right and must therefore divide $\sum_{i=1}^r [Aut(G) : Aut(G) \cap Aut(N_i)]$ as well.

Let's first establish this for some well understood classes of examples.

If p, q are prime, where $p > q$ then there are one [$p \not\equiv 1 \pmod{q}$] or two [$p \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$] groups of order pq and $R(G, [M])$ was computed by Byott.

$G \setminus M$	C_{pq}	$C_p \rtimes C_q$
C_{pq}	1	$2(q-2)$
$C_p \rtimes C_q$	p	$2(p(q-2)+1)$

Now, $|Aut(C_{pq})| = \phi(p)\phi(q)$, $|Aut(C_p \rtimes C_q)| = p(p-1)$, and also $|T(C_{pq})| = 1$, $|T(C_p \rtimes C_q)| = 2$ which yields the following parallel table for $|Aut(G)| \cdot |T(M)|$

$G \setminus M$	C_{pq}	$C_p \rtimes C_q$
C_{pq}	$(p-1)(q-1)$	$2(p-1)(q-1)$
$C_p \rtimes C_q$	$p(p-1)$	$2(p(p-1))$

and it's clear that $|R(G, [M])| \leq |Aut(G)| \cdot |T(M)|$ for each pairing.

Let's look at some empirical evidence, first in degree 6 which we already know works.

```
gap> Read("../RLIB/R6.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> conjecture(6);
[ true, true ]          <- |R(G, [M])| <= |Aut(G)|
[ true, true ]

[ true, true ]          <- |R(G, [M])| <= |Aut(G)| x |T(M)|
[ true, true ]

gap> List([1..Size(G[6])], t->Size(AutG[6][t]));
[ 6, 2 ]

gap> List([1..Size(G[6])], t->Index(NHolG[6][t], HolG[6][t]));
[ 2, 1 ]

gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[6])], i->List([1..Size(G[6])], j->Size(R[6][i][j]))));
[ 2, 3 ]
[ 2, 1 ]

gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[6])], i->List([1..Size(G[6])], j->Size(AutG[6][i])*Index(NHolG[6][i], HolG[6][j]))));
[ 12, 6 ]
[ 4, 2 ]

gap>
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gap> Read("../RLIB/R8.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> conjecture(8);
[ true, true, true, true, true ]      <- |R(G, [M])| <= |Aut(G)|
[ true, false, true, true, true ]
[ true, false, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]

[ true, true, true, true, true ]      <- |R(G, [M])| <= |Aut(G)| x |T(M)|
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
gap> List([1..Size(G[8])], t->Size(AutG[8][t]));
[ 4, 8, 8, 24, 168 ]
gap> List([1..Size(G[8])], t->Index(NHolG[8][t], HolG[8][t]));
[ 2, 2, 2, 2, 1 ]
gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[8])], i->List([1..Size(G[8])], j->Size(R[8][i][j]))));
[ 2, 0, 2, 2, 0 ]
[ 4, 10, 6, 2, 4 ]
[ 2, 14, 6, 2, 6 ]
[ 6, 6, 6, 2, 2 ]
[ 0, 42, 42, 14, 8 ]
gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[8])], i->List([1..Size(G[8])], j->Size(AutG[8][i])*Index(NHolG[8][j], HolG[8][j])));
[ 8, 8, 8, 8, 4 ]
[ 16, 16, 16, 16, 8 ]
[ 16, 16, 16, 16, 8 ]
[ 48, 48, 48, 48, 24 ]
[ 336, 336, 336, 336, 168 ]

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Looking at the orbits with respect to the actions of $\text{Aut}(G)$ and $T(M)$, some interesting patterns can be seen.

```
gap> orbitlist(6);
R(S3,[S3]) i=1 j=1
[ [ 1 ], [ 2 ] ]   <- orbits with respect to Aut(G) {\lambda(G) \rho(G)}
[ [ 1, 2 ] ]       <- orbits with respect to T(M)
```

```
R(S3,[C6]) i=1 j=2
[ [ 1, 3, 2 ] ]
[ [ 1 ], [ 2 ], [ 3 ] ]   <- note T(C6) is trivial
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```
R(C6,[S3]) i=2 j=1
[ [ 1 ], [ 2 ] ]         <- Hol(G) is contained in Hol(N_i)
[ [ 1, 2 ] ]
```

```
R(C6,[C6]) i=2 j=2
[ [ 1 ] ]
[ [ 1 ] ]
```

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gap> orbitlist(8);
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R(C8,[C8]) i=1 j=1
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[ [ 1 ], [ 2 ] ]
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[ [ 1, 2 ] ]
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R(C8,[C4 x C2]) i=1 j=2
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R(C8,[D8]) i=1 j=3
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[ [ 1 ], [ 2 ] ]
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[ [ 1, 2 ] ]
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R(C8,[Q8]) i=1 j=4
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[ [ 1 ], [ 2 ] ]
```

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[ [ 1, 2 ] ]
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R(C8,[C2 x C2 x C2]) i=1 j=5
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$R(C4 \times C2, [C8])$ $i=2$ $j=1$

[[1, 2, 4, 3]]

[[1, 2], [3, 4]]

$R(C4 \times C2, [C4 \times C2])$ $i=2$ $j=2$

[[1], [9, 7], [10, 8], [5, 3], [6, 4], [2]]

[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6], [7, 8], [9, 10]]

$R(C4 \times C2, [D8])$ $i=2$ $j=3$

[[1, 6], [3, 4], [2, 5]]

[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]]

$R(C4 \times C2, [Q8])$ $i=2$ $j=4$

[[1, 2]]

[[1, 2]]

$R(C4 \times C2, [C2 \times C2 \times C2])$ $i=2$ $j=5$

[[1], [2, 3], [4]]

[[1], [2], [3], [4]]

R(D8,[C8]) i=3 j=1

[[1, 2]]
[[1, 2]]

R(D8,[C4 x C2]) i=3 j=2

[[1, 10], [9, 2], [11, 13, 4, 6], [14, 12, 5, 3], [8, 7]]
[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6], [7, 8], [9, 10], [11, 12], [13, 14]]

R(D8,[D8]) i=3 j=3

[[1], [3, 6], [2], [4, 5]]
[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]]

R(D8,[Q8]) i=3 j=4

[[1], [2]]
[[1, 2]]

R(D8,[C2 x C2 x C2]) i=3 j=5

[[1, 6], [2, 3, 4, 5]]
[[1], [2], [3], [4], [5], [6]]

$R(Q8, [C8])$ $i=4$ $j=1$
[[1, 3, 4, 2, 5, 6]]
[[1, 3], [2, 4], [5, 6]]

$R(Q8, [C4 \times C2])$ $i=4$ $j=2$
[[1, 3, 5, 6, 4, 2]]
[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]]

$R(Q8, [D8])$ $i=4$ $j=3$
[[1, 5, 4], [3, 2, 6]]
[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]]

$R(Q8, [Q8])$ $i=4$ $j=4$
[[1], [2]]
[[1, 2]]

$R(Q8, [C2 \times C2 \times C2])$ $i=4$ $j=5$
[[1, 2]]
[[1], [2]]

$R(C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2, [C_8])$ $i=5$ $j=1$

$R(C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2, [C_4 \times C_2])$ $i=5$ $j=2$

[[1, 25, 37, 41, 14, 9, 33, 21, 35, 39, 28, 6, 11, 23, 4, 19, 30, 8, 16, 18, 32],
[27, 3, 17, 13, 5, 20, 24, 31, 29, 22, 40, 7, 36, 38, 12, 42, 10, 34, 15, 26, 2]]
[[1, 2], [3, 8], [4, 5], [6, 7], [9, 10], [11, 12], [13, 18], [14, 15],
[21, 22], [23, 24], [25, 26], [27, 32], [28, 29], [30, 31], [33, 34],
[39, 40], [41, 42]]

$R(C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2, [D_8])$ $i=5$ $j=3$

[[1, 2, 25, 33, 26, 32, 9, 10, 21, 15, 30, 22, 14, 29, 7, 28, 40, 12, 42, 6, 27, 39,
23, 19, 31, 16, 38, 36, 17, 37, 13, 18, 8, 3]]
[[1, 2], [3, 8], [4, 5], [6, 7], [9, 10], [11, 12], [13, 18], [14, 15],
[21, 22], [23, 24], [25, 26], [27, 28], [29, 30], [31, 36], [32, 33],
[39, 40], [41, 42]]

$R(C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2, [Q_8])$ $i=5$ $j=4$

[[1, 2, 13, 14, 9, 10, 11, 12, 7, 6, 4, 5, 3, 8]]
[[1, 2], [3, 8], [4, 5], [6, 7], [9, 10], [11, 12], [13, 14]]

$R(C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2, [C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2])$ $i=5$ $j=5$

[[1], [8, 6, 5, 3, 2, 4, 7]]
[[1], [2], [3], [4], [5], [6], [7], [8]]

There are a few 'motifs' present when looking at the orbits of $Aut(G)$ and $T(M)$.

For example, the orbits can be 'perpendicular', namely that

$$Orb_{Aut(G)}(N) \cap Orb_{T(N)}(N) = \{N\}.$$

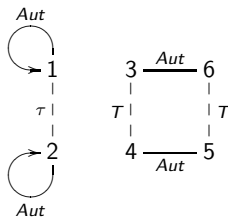
$R(D8, [D8])$ $i=3$ $j=3$

[[1], [3, 6], [2], [4, 5]]

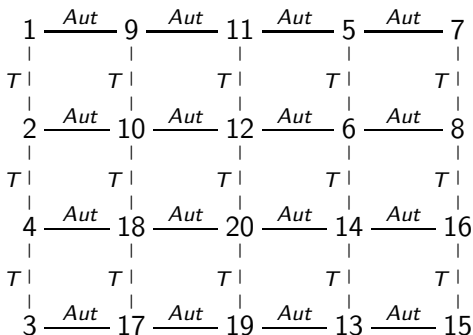
[[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]]

For N_1 and N_2 which are $\lambda(G)$ and $\rho(G)$, one has that $Aut(G)$ acts trivially, while $T(G) = \langle \tau \rangle \cong C_2$ which maps $\lambda(G)$ to $\rho(G)$.

And, $Orb_{T(N_3)} = \{N_3, N_4\}$ and $Orb_{Aut(G)}(N_3) = \{N_3, N_6\}$ and $Orb_{T(N_6)} = \{N_6, N_5\}$ and $Orb_{Aut(G)}(N_4) = \{N_4, N_5\}$



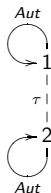
A somewhat more interesting example of this occurs in degree 40 with $R(C_5 \rtimes C_8, [C_5 \rtimes' C_8])$



It is also possible for the orbits with respect to $Aut(G)$ to be contained in the orbits of T and vice versa, for example:

$$R(C_{24}, [C_{24}]) \quad i=2 \quad j=2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} [[1]], [[2]] \\ [[1, 2]] \end{array} \right]$$



or

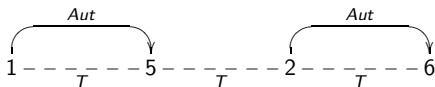
$$R(Q_8, [C_8]) \quad i=4 \quad j=1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} [[1, 3, 4, 2, 5, 6]] \quad \leftarrow \text{Aut-orbit} \\ [[1, 3]], [[2, 4]], [[5, 6]] \quad \leftarrow \text{T-orbits} \end{array} \right]$$



which corresponds to a non-trivial intersection of $Aut(G)$ and $T(N)$.

The containments can be mixed, as with this example in degree 40 with $R(C_5 \times Q_2, [C_5 \times C_8])$



3	10	12	25	29
T	T	T	T	T
4	15	13	26	30
T	T	T	T	T
7	18	20	27	37
T	T	T	T	T
8	23	21	28	38

9	11	31	33	35
T	T	T	T	T
16	14	32	34	36
T	T	T	T	T
17	19	39	41	43
T	T	T	T	T
24	22	40	42	44

where the boxed entries correspond to separate orbits under $Aut(G)$.

$R(C_5 : Q_8, [C_5 : C_8])$ $i=4$ $j=1$

$[[1, 5], [2, 6], [25, 33, 35, 29, 31, 27, 41, 43, 37, 39, 8, 20, 18, 24, 22, 4, 12, 10, 16, 14],$
 $[26, 34, 36, 30, 32, 28, 42, 44, 38, 40, 7, 21, 23, 17, 19, 3, 13, 15, 9, 11]]$

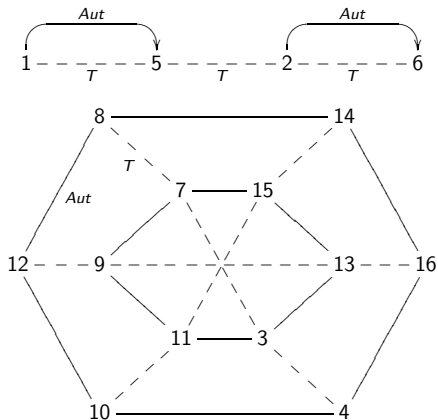
$[[1, 2, 5, 6], [3, 4, 7, 8], [9, 16, 17, 24], [10, 15, 18, 23], [11, 14, 19, 22], [12, 13, 20, 21],$
 $[25, 26, 27, 28], [29, 30, 37, 38], [31, 32, 39, 40], [33, 34, 41, 42], [35, 36, 43, 44]]$

There are also in-between motifs.

$R(C_4 \times S_3, [C_3 : C_8])$ $i=5$ $j=1$

[[1, 5], [2, 6], [7, 15, 13, 3, 11, 9], [8, 14, 16, 4, 10, 12]]

[[1, 2, 5, 6], [3, 4, 7, 8], [9, 12, 13, 16], [10, 11, 14, 15]]



Going back to low degree examples, the conjecture holds in degree 12.

```
gap> conjecture(12);
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ false, true, true, false, true ]      <- |R(G,[M])| <= |Aut(G)|
[ true, true, true, true, true ]

[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
gap> List([1..Size(G[12])],t->Size(AutG[12][t]));
[ 12, 4, 24, 12, 12 ]
gap> List([1..Size(G[12])],t->Index(NHolG[12][t],HolG[12][t]));
[ 2, 1, 2, 2, 1 ]
gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[12])],i->List([1..Size(G[12])],j->Size(R[12][i][j]))));
[ 2, 3, 12, 2, 3 ]
[ 2, 1, 0, 2, 1 ]
[ 0, 0, 10, 0, 4 ]
[ 14, 9, 0, 14, 3 ]
[ 6, 3, 4, 6, 1 ]
gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[12])],i->List([1..Size(G[12])],j->Size(AutG[12][i])*Index(NHolG[12][j],
[ 24, 12, 24, 24, 12 ]
[ 8, 4, 8, 8, 4 ]
[ 48, 24, 48, 48, 24 ]
[ 24, 12, 24, 24, 12 ]
[ 24, 12, 24, 24, 12 ]
```

Alas, this conjecture is **not** true for all classes of groups.

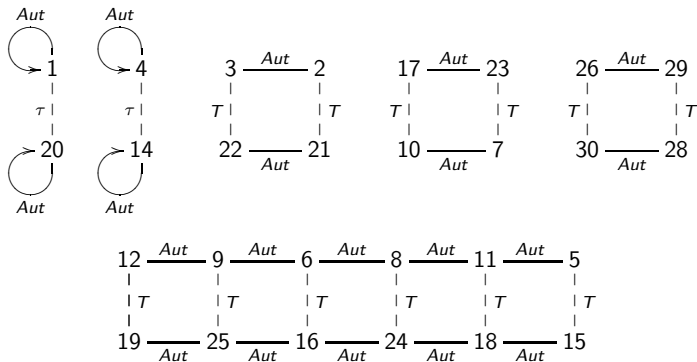
```
gap> Read("../RLIB/R18.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> conjecture(18);
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, false, false, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]

[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, false, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]

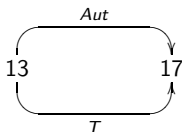
gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[18])],i->List([1..Size(G[18])],j->Size(R[18][i][j]))));
[ 2, 9, 0, 0, 0 ]
[ 6, 3, 0, 0, 0 ]
[ 0, 0, 24, 30, 9 ]
[ 0, 0, 72, 62, 9 ]
[ 0, 0, 24, 30, 9 ]
gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[18])],i->List([1..Size(G[18])],j->Size(AutG[18][i])*Index(NHolG[18][j]
[ 108, 54, 108, 108, 54 ]
[ 12, 6, 12, 12, 6 ]
[ 24, 12, 24, 24, 12 ]      <- Note Aut(C3xS3)=12 and T((C3 x C3):C2)=2
[ 864, 432, 864, 864, 432 ]
[ 96, 48, 96, 96, 48 ]
```

but the failure for $R(C_3 \times S_3, [(C_3 \times C_3) \rtimes C_2])$ is interesting...

We have that $|R(C_3 \times S_3, [(C_3 \times C_3) \rtimes C_2])| = 30$ whereas $|Aut(C_3 \times S_3)| = 12$ and $|T((C_3 \times C_3) \rtimes C_2)| = 2$ so that $|R|$ is 'approximately' $|Aut(G)| \cdot |T(M)|$.
 Also, there is a curious interaction of the actions of $Aut(G)$ and $T(M)$, namely



but also..



namely that $Orb_{T(N_{13})}(N_{13}) = Orb_{Aut(G)}(N_{13})$.

Going further, there are cases where the conjecture is true for all $R(G, [M])$ of a given size.

```
gap> Read("../RLIB/R20.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> conjecture(20);
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]      <- |R(G, [M])| <= |Aut(G)|
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
[ true, true, true, true, true ]
gap> List([1..Size(G[20])], t->Size(AutG[20][t]));
[ 40, 8, 20, 40, 24 ]
gap> List([1..Size(G[20])], t->Index(NHolG[20][t], HolG[20][t]));
[ 2, 1, 2, 2, 1 ]
gap> aprint(List([1..Size(G[20])], i->List([1..Size(G[20])], j->Size(R[20][i][j]))));
[ 2, 5, 20, 2, 5 ]      {40}
[ 2, 1, 4, 2, 1 ]      {8}
[ 10, 5, 12, 10, 5 ]   {20}
[ 22, 15, 0, 22, 5 ]   {40}
[ 6, 3, 0, 6, 1 ]      {24}
```

And others where there are a few $(G, [M])$ where it does not hold.

```
gap> Read("../RLIB/R24.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> needT:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[24])],2),v->(Size(R[24][v[1]][v[2]])<=
Size(AutG[24][v[1]])*Index(NHolG[24][v[2]],HolG[24][v[2]))) and
(Size(R[24][v[1]][v[2]])>Size(AutG[24][v[1]]));
[[ [ 4, 5 ], [ 4, 8 ], [ 5, 4 ], [ 5, 5 ], [ 5, 6 ], [ 5, 7 ], [ 5, 8 ], [ 5, 9 ], [ 5, 14 ], [
[ 6, 8 ], [ 6, 14 ], [ 7, 5 ], [ 7, 8 ], [ 8, 4 ], [ 8, 5 ], [ 8, 6 ], [ 8, 7 ], [ 8, 8 ], [
[ 8, 14 ], [ 9, 5 ], [ 9, 7 ], [ 9, 8 ], [ 10, 5 ], [ 10, 7 ], [ 10, 8 ], [ 10, 14 ], [ 12,
[ 14, 5 ], [ 14, 6 ], [ 14, 7 ], [ 14, 8 ], [ 14, 14 ] ]
gap> notnhc:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[24])],2),v->Size(R[24][v[1]][v[2]])>
Size(AutG[24][v[1]])*Index(NHolG[24][v[2]],HolG[24][v[2]]));
[[ [ 12, 15 ] ]
gap> Size(G[24])^2;
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gap>
gap> Read("../RLIB/R36.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> needT:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[36])],2),v->(Size(R[36][v[1]][v[2]])<=
Size(AutG[36][v[1]])*Index(NHolG[36][v[2]],HolG[36][v[2]))) and
(Size(R[36][v[1]][v[2]])>Size(AutG[36][v[1]]));
[[ [ 6, 7 ], [ 6, 11 ], [ 6, 13 ], [ 11, 11 ], [ 12, 6 ], [ 12, 9 ], [ 12, 12 ] ]
gap> notnhc:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[36])],2),v->Size(R[36][v[1]][v[2]])>
Size(AutG[36][v[1]])*Index(NHolG[36][v[2]],HolG[36][v[2]]));
[[ [ 10, 6 ], [ 10, 7 ], [ 10, 10 ], [ 10, 12 ], [ 10, 13 ], [ 12, 7 ], [ 12, 8 ], [ 12, 10 ], [ 12, 13 ] ]
gap> Size(G[36])^2;
196
```

A few more examples to consider.

```
gap> Read("../RLIB/R27.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> needT:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[27])],2),v->(Size(R[27][v[1]][v[2]])<=Size(AutG[27][v[1]][v[2]]))
[ [ 4, 4 ] ]
gap> notnhc:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[27])],2),v->Size(R[27][v[1]][v[2]])>Size(AutG[27][v[1]][v[2]]))
[ ]
```

and other 'mp' examples

```
gap> Read("../RLIB/R28.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> needT:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[28])],2),v->(Size(R[28][v[1]][v[2]])<=Size(AutG[28][v[1]][v[2]]))
[ ]
gap> notnhc:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[60])],2),v->Size(R[60][v[1]][v[2]])>Size(AutG[60][v[1]][v[2]]))
[ ]
gap>
```

```
gap> Read("../RLIB/R40.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> needT:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[40])],2),v->(Size(R[40][v[1]][v[2]])<=Size(AutG[40][v[1]][v[2]]))
[ [ 5, 5 ], [ 5, 7 ], [ 5, 8 ], [ 8, 5 ], [ 8, 7 ], [ 8, 8 ], [ 12, 4 ], [ 12, 5 ], [ 12, 6 ],
  [ 12, 9 ], [ 12, 12 ], [ 12, 13 ], [ 13, 5 ], [ 13, 8 ] ]
gap> notnhc:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[40])],2),v->Size(R[40][v[1]][v[2]])>Size(AutG[40][v[1]][v[2]]))
[ ]
gap>
```

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gap> Read("../RLIB/R42.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> needT:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[42])],2),v->(Size(R[42][v[1]][v[2]])<=Size(
[ ]
gap> notnhc:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[42])],2),v->Size(R[42][v[1]][v[2]])>Size(A
[ ]
gap>

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And one nearly 'mp' case.

```

gap> Read("../RLIB/R60.g");
gap> Read("conjecture.g");
gap> needT:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[60])],2),v->(Size(R[60][v[1]][v[2]])<=Size(
[ [ 8, 8 ], [ 10, 8 ], [ 11, 8 ] ]
gap> notnhc:=Filtered(Tuples([1..Size(G[60])],2),v->Size(R[60][v[1]][v[2]])>Size(A
[ ]

```

Recall that when $n = mp$ for $\gcd(m, p) = 1$ where p is prime and does not divide the automorphism group of any group of order m , and where the Sylow p -subgroup is unique, if $N \in R(G, [M])$ then $N \leq \text{Norm}_B(\mathcal{P})$ where \mathcal{P} is the Sylow p -subgroup of $\lambda(G)$.

For groups of order 60 these conditions are satisfied for all groups except A_5 . However $R(A_5, [M]) = \emptyset$ unless $M = A_5$ and that $R(A_5, [A_5]) = \{\lambda(A_5), \rho(A_5)\}$, and there are only 4 $[M]$ for which $R(A_5, [M])$ is non-empty.

Thank you!



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