

## ON STRUCTURE OF $D_5(G)$ FOR 2-GROUP $G$

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ABSTRACT. The objective of this paper is to discuss some conditions on a finite group  $G$ , under which  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Let  $G$  be a finite group and let  $\Delta(G)$  be the augmentation ideal of the integral group ring  $\mathbb{Z}G$ . For  $k \geq 1$ , let  $\gamma_k(G)$  be the  $k$ th term in the lower central series of group  $G$  and  $D_k(G) = G \cap \{1 + \Delta^k(G)\}$  be the  $k$ th dimension subgroup of group  $G$ . For  $k \geq 1$ , the equality of  $D_k(G)$  and  $\gamma_k(G)$  has been a problem of interest for so many years. G. Higman [4] reduces the problem to  $p$ -groups by proving that if for some  $k$ ,  $D_k(G) \neq \gamma_k(G)$ , then there exists a finite  $p$ -group  $G$  for which  $D_k(G) \neq \gamma_k(G)$ . It is well known that  $D_k(G) = \gamma_k(G)$ , for all groups  $G$  and for  $k \leq 3$  (see [2]). It has been proved in [4] that  $D_4(G) = \gamma_4(G)$  for  $p$ -group  $G$ ,  $p$  odd prime. Rips [5] gave an example of 2-group  $G$  for which  $D_4(G) \neq \gamma_4(G)$ . Further, Tahara [6] gave the structure of  $D_5(G)$  and proved that the exponent of  $D_5(G)/\gamma_5(G)$  is divisible by 6. It has been proved in [3], that for a metabelian  $p$ -group  $G$ ,  $p$  odd prime,  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ . Recently, Gupta [1] discussed certain conditions under which for a metabelian 2-group  $G$ ,  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .

In the continuation of the work done in [1], in this paper, we discuss some more conditions on a metabelian 2-group  $G$  under which  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$  (Theorem 2.3). Finally, we find some conditions on a finite group  $G$  (not necessarily metabelian), under which  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$  (Theorems 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6).

Let  $G$  be a finite group of class 4 and  $G = \gamma_1(G) \supseteq \gamma_2(G) \supseteq \gamma_3(G) \supseteq \gamma_4(G) \supseteq \gamma_5(G) = \{1\}$ , be the lower central series of group  $G$ . We write  $\gamma_1(G)/\gamma_2(G)$  as a sum of  $s$  cyclic groups, each generated by  $x_{1i}\gamma_2(G)$ , say,  $x_{1i}^{d(i)} \in \gamma_2(G)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s$ . Similarly, write  $\gamma_2(G)/\gamma_3(G)$  and  $\gamma_3(G)/\gamma_4(G)$  as a sum of  $t$  and  $u$  cyclic groups generated by  $x_{2k}\gamma_3(G)$  and  $x_{3l}\gamma_4(G)$  respectively, say,  $x_{2k}^{e(k)} \in \gamma_3(G)$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq t$  and  $x_{3l}^{f(l)} \in \gamma_4(G)$ ,  $1 \leq l \leq u$ .

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$$x_{1i}^{d(i)} = x_{21}^{b_{i1}} x_{22}^{b_{i2}} \dots x_{2t}^{b_{it}} x_{31}^{c_{i1}} x_{32}^{c_{i2}} \dots x_{3u}^{c_{iu}} y_{4i}, \quad y_{4i} \in \gamma_4(G), \quad 1 \leq i \leq s; \quad (1.1)$$

$$x_{2k}^{e(k)} = x_{31}^{d_{k1}} x_{32}^{d_{k2}} \dots x_{3u}^{d_{ku}} y'_{4k}, \quad y'_{4k} \in \gamma_4(G), \quad 1 \leq k \leq t; \quad (1.2)$$

$$x_{3l}^{f(l)} = x_{41}^{f_{l1}} x_{42}^{f_{l2}} \dots x_{4u}^{f_{lu}}, \quad 1 \leq l \leq u; \quad (1.3)$$

$$[x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}] = x_{31}^{\alpha_1^{(ij)}} x_{32}^{\alpha_2^{(ij)}} \dots x_{3u}^{\alpha_u^{(ij)}} x_{41}^{\beta_1^{(ij)}} x_{42}^{\beta_2^{(ij)}} \dots x_{4v}^{\beta_v^{(ij)}}, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq s. \quad (1.4)$$

**Lemma 1.1.** ([6, Lemma 2.3]). *Let  $d$  be a non-negative integer and  $x, y, z \in G$ , then we have*

$$\begin{aligned} [x, y]^d &= [x, y^d][x, y, y]^{-\binom{d}{2}} [x, y, y, y]^{-\binom{d}{3}} \\ &= [x^d, y][x, y, x]^{-\binom{d}{2}} [x, y, x, x]^{-\binom{d}{3}} \\ [x, y, z]^d &= [x^d, y, z][y, x, x, z]^{\binom{d}{2}} \\ &= [x, y^d, z][y, x, y, z]^{\binom{d}{2}} \\ &= [x, y, z^d][y, x, z, z]^{\binom{d}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

We now recall the structure of fifth dimension subgroup given by Tahara in [6] as follows:

**Theorem 1.2.** ([6, Theorem 6.1]). *Let  $G$  be a group of class 4. Then  $D_5(G)$  is equal to the subgroup generated by the elements*

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq s} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)}} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq s, 1 \leq k \leq t} \prod_{k < l} [x_{2l}, x_{2k}]^{v_{ik} b_{il}} \\ \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq k \leq s} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{ik}]^{w_{ijk}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $u_{ij}$ ,  $v_{ik}$ ,  $v'_{ik}$ ,  $w_{ijk}$ ,  $w'_{ijk}$  and  $w''_{ijk}$  are the integers satisfying following conditions:

$$w_{iii} = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq s; \quad (1.5)$$

$$u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)} \binom{d(i)}{2} + w_{iij} d(i) + w''_{iij} d(j) = 0, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq s; \quad (1.6)$$

$$-u_{ij} \binom{d(j)}{2} + w_{ijj} d(i) + w'_{ijj} d(j) = 0, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq s; \quad (1.7)$$

$$w_{ijk} d(i) + w'_{ijk} d(j) + w''_{ijk} d(k) = 0, \quad 1 \leq i < j < k \leq s; \quad (1.8)$$

$$\sum_{i < h} u_{ih} b_{hk} - \sum_{h < i} u_{hi} \frac{d(i)}{d(h)} b_{hk} + v_{ik} d(i) + v'_{ik} e(k) = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq s, \quad 1 \leq k \leq t; \quad (1.9)$$

$$u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)} \binom{d(i)}{3} + w_{iij} \binom{d(i)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq s; \quad (1.10)$$

$$w_{ijj} \binom{d(i)}{2} + w''_{ijj} \binom{d(j)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq s; \quad (1.11)$$

$$u_{ij} \binom{d(j)}{3} + w'_{ijj} \binom{d(j)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq s; \quad (1.12)$$

$$w_{ijk} \binom{d(i)}{2}, w'_{ijk} \binom{d(j)}{2}, w''_{ijk} \binom{d(k)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}, \quad 1 \leq i < j < k \leq s; \quad (1.13)$$

$$v_{ik} \binom{d(i)}{2} - \sum_{h \leq i} w_{hii} b_{hk} - \sum_{i < h} w''_{iih} b_{hk} \equiv 0 \pmod{(d(i), e(k))}, \quad (1.14)$$

$$1 \leq i \leq s, \quad 1 \leq k \leq t;$$

$$\sum_{h \leq i} w_{hij} b_{hk} + \sum_{i < h \leq j} w'_{ihj} b_{hk} + \sum_{j < h} w''_{ijh} b_{hk} \equiv 0 \pmod{(d(i), e(k))}, \quad (1.15)$$

$$1 \leq i < j \leq s, \quad 1 \leq k \leq t;$$

$$- \sum_{h < i} u_{hi} \frac{d(i)}{d(h)} \alpha_l^{(hi)} + \sum_{i < h} u_{ih} c_{hl} - \sum_{h < i} u_{hi} \frac{d(i)}{d(h)} c_{hl} - \sum_k v'_{ik} d_{kl} \quad (1.16)$$

$$- \sum_{g \leq i \leq h} w_{gih} \alpha_l^{(gh)} - \sum_{g \leq h \leq i} w_{ghi} \alpha_l^{(gh)} - \sum_{i < g \leq h} w'_{igh} \alpha_l^{(gh)} \equiv 0 \pmod{(d(i), f(l))},$$

$$1 \leq i \leq s, \quad 1 \leq l \leq u;$$

$$\sum_i v_{ik} b_{ik} \equiv 0 \pmod{e(k)}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq t; \quad (1.17)$$

$$\sum_i v_{ik} b_{il} + \sum_i v_{il} b_{ik} \equiv 0 \pmod{e(k)}, \quad 1 \leq k < l \leq t. \quad (1.18)$$

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

It has been proved in [3] that  $D_5^2(G) \subseteq \gamma_5(G)[\gamma_2(G), \gamma_2(G)]$ , which implies that  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ , if  $G$  is a metabelian  $p$ -group,  $p$  odd prime. For a metabelian 2-group  $G$ , Gupta [1] proved the following results,

**Theorem 2.1.** ([1, Theorem 2]). *Let  $G$  be a metabelian 2-group with  $G/\gamma_2(G)$  as a sum of at most two cyclic groups. Then  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .*

**Theorem 2.2.** ([1, Theorem 3]). *Let  $G$  be a finite metabelian 2-group and  $G/\gamma_2(G) \cong C_1 \oplus C_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus C_n$ , where  $C_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , is a cyclic group of order  $d(i)$ , with  $d(1) = d(2) = \cdots = d(n-1) = 2, d(n) \geq 2^2$ . Then  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .*

In next theorem, we will discuss some more conditions on a metabelian 2-group  $G$ , for which  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $G$  be a finite metabelian 2-group and  $G/\gamma_2(G) \cong C_1 \oplus C_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus C_n$ , where  $C_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , is a cyclic group of order  $d(i)$ , with  $d(1) = d(2) = \cdots = d(n-2) = 2, d(n-1) = 2^2, d(n) = 2^k, k \geq 2$ . Then  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .*

*Proof.* It is enough to prove the result for a group  $G$  of class 4. It follows from Theorem 1.2 that any element  $g$  of  $D_5(G)$  is of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
g &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)}} \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq k \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1k}]^{w_{ijk}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)}} \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1k}]^{w_{ijk}} \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj}} \\
&= A.B.C \text{ (say)}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

where  $u_{ij}$  and  $w_{ijk}$  are integers satisfying conditions given in Theorem 1.2.

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)}} \cdot \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{u_{in-1} \frac{d(n-1)}{d(i)}} \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}]^{u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij}} \cdot \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{u_{in-1} \frac{d(n-1)}{d(i)}} \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}]^{u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)}} \\
&= A_1.A_2.A_3 \text{ (say)}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

Now, for  $1 \leq i < j \leq n-2$ , condition (1.7) becomes  $u_{ij} = w_{ijj}d(i) + w'_{ijj}d(j)$ , which implies that,

$$\begin{aligned}
A_1 &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj}d(i) + w'_{ijj}d(j)} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{d(j)(w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj})} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}^{d(j)}]^{w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj}} \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-(w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj}) \binom{d(j)}{2}}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Since  $G$  is metabelian, therefore  $[x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}^{d(j)}] = 1$ , as  $[x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}^{d(j)}] \in [\gamma_2(G), \gamma_2(G)]$ . Thus (2.3) reduces to,

$$\begin{aligned}
A_1 &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w_{ijj}} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w'_{ijj}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w_{ijj}},
\end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

because, for  $1 \leq i < j \leq n-2$ , condition (1.12) becomes,  $w'_{ijj} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(j)}$ .

For  $j = n-1$ , condition (1.6) becomes,  $u_{in-1} \frac{d(n-1)}{d(i)} = -w_{iin-1}d(i) - w''_{iin-1}d(n-1)$   
Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
A_2 &= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{u_{in-1} \frac{d(n-1)}{d(i)}} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w_{iin-1}d(i) - w''_{iin-1}d(n-1)} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w_{iin-1}d(i)} \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w''_{iin-1}d(n-1)} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w_{iin-1}d(i)} \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}^{d(n-1)}]^{-w''_{iin-1}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{w''_{iin-1} \binom{d(n-1)}{2}} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-2w_{iin-1}} \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{w''_{iin-1} \binom{d(n-1)}{2}} \quad (2.5)
\end{aligned}$$

For  $j = n-1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n-2$ , condition (1.10) implies that  $w_{iin-1} \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$   
i.e.  $w_{iin-1} = 2q$ , for some integer  $q$ . Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-2w_{iin-1}} &= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-2^2q} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}]^{-d(n-1)q} \quad [\because d(n-1) = 2^2] \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}^{d(n-1)}]^{-q} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{-q \binom{d(n-1)}{2}} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{-q \binom{d(n-1)}{2}}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus (2.5) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
A_2 &= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{(w''_{iin-1} - q) \binom{d(n-1)}{2}} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{(w''_{iin-1} - q)d(n-1)(d(n-1)-1)} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1n-1}, x_{1i}, x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}]^{-(w''_{iin-1} - q) \binom{d(n-1)}{2} \binom{d(i)}{2}} \quad [\because \text{for } i < n-1, d(i) = 2]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}^{d(n-1)}]^{(w''_{iin-1}-q)(d(n-1)-1)} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1n-1}, x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{(w''_{iin-1}-q)(d(n-1)-1)\binom{d(n-1)}{2}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1n-1}, x_{1i}, x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}]^{-(w''_{iin-1}-q)\binom{d(n-1)}{2}\binom{d(i)}{2}}
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $[x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}^{d(n-1)}] \in [\gamma_2(G), \gamma_2(G)]$  and  $d(n-1) = 2^2$  gives that  $\binom{d(n-1)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}$  and  $\binom{d(n-1)}{2}\binom{d(i)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}$ , which implies that

$$A_2 = 1 \tag{2.6}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
A_3 &= \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}]^{u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)}} \\
&= \prod_{i < n} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}^{b_{ik}}, x_{1n}]^{u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)}} \prod_{i < n} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}^{c_{il}}, x_{1n}]^{u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)}} \\
&= \prod_{i < n} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}]^{u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} b_{ik}} \prod_{i < n} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} c_{il}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}]^{\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} b_{ik}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} c_{il}}
\end{aligned}$$

For  $i = n$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq t$ , condition (1.9) gives,  $\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} b_{ik} = v_{nk}d(n) + v'_{nk}e(k)$ , which implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
A_3 &= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}]^{v_{nk}d(n) + v'_{nk}e(k)} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} c_{il}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}^{d(n)}]^{v_{nk}} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk}\binom{d(n)}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}^{e(k)}, x_{1n}]^{v'_{nk}} \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} c_{il}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk}\binom{d(n)}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}^{e(k)}, x_{1n}]^{v'_{nk}} \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} c_{il}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk}\binom{d(n)}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} c_{il} + \sum_k v'_{nk}d_{kl}}
\end{aligned}$$

For  $i = n$ , condition (1.16) becomes

$$\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} c_{il} + \sum_k v'_{nk} d_{kl} = - \sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} \alpha_l^{(in)} - 2 \sum_{i < n} w_{inn} \alpha_l^{(in)} - \sum_{i < j < n} w_{ijn} \alpha_l^{(ij)} -$$

$\sum_{i < n} w_{inn} \alpha_l^{(ii)}$  +  $\mathbb{Z}$ -linear combination of  $d(n)$  and  $f(l)$ . Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
A_3 &= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk} \binom{d(n)}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{-\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} \alpha_l^{(in)} - 2 \sum_{i < n} w_{inn} \alpha_l^{(in)}} \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{1n}]^{-\sum_{i < j < n} w_{ijn} \alpha_l^{(ij)} - \sum_{i < n} w_{inn} \alpha_l^{(ii)}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk} \binom{d(n)}{2}} \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)}} \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-2w_{inn}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < j < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{ijn}} \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1i}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{inn}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk} \binom{d(n)}{2}} \prod_{i < n} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}^{b_{ik}}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}^{b_{ik}}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-2w_{inn}} \prod_{i < j < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{ijn}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{in-1n}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk} \binom{d(n)}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} b_{ik}} \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-2 \sum_{i < n} w_{inn} b_{ik}} \prod_{i < j < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{ijn}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{in-1n}} \tag{2.7}
\end{aligned}$$

Now we will separately solve the terms of equation (2.7).

For  $i = n$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq t$ , condition (1.14) implies that

$$\prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-v_{nk} \binom{d(n)}{2}} = \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{inn}} \tag{2.8}$$

For  $i = n$ , condition (1.9) gives,  $\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} b_{ik} = v_{nk} d(n) + v'_{nk} e(k)$ , which implies that

$$\prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-\sum_{i < n} u_{in} \frac{d(n)}{d(i)} b_{ik}} = 1 \tag{2.9}$$

For  $i = n$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq t$ , condition (1.14) becomes,  $\sum_{i < n} w_{inn} b_{ik} = v_{nk} \binom{d(n)}{2} + \mathbb{Z}$ -linear combination of  $d(n)$  and  $e(k)$ , which implies that

$$\prod_{1 \leq k \leq t} [x_{2k}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-2 \sum_{i < n} w_{inn} b_{ik}} = 1 \tag{2.10}$$

For  $i < j < n - 1$ ,  $d(i) = d(j) = 2$ , therefore, condition (1.13) becomes,  $w_{ijn} \equiv 0 \pmod{(d(j))}$ , which implies that

$$\prod_{i < j < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{ijn}} = 1 \tag{2.11}$$

From (2.8), (2.9), (2.10) and (2.11), equation (2.7) reduces to

$$A_3 = \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{inn}} \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{in-1n}} \quad (2.12)$$

Hence, from (2.2), (2.4), (2.6) and (2.12),

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w_{ijj}} \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{inn}} \\ &\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n}]^{-w_{in-1n}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

Now, consider

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1k}]^{w_{ijk}} \\ &= \prod_{i < j < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1k}]^{w_{ijk}} \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n}]^{w_{in-1n}} \end{aligned}$$

As before, condition (1.13) implies that

$$\prod_{i < j < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1k}]^{w_{ijk}} = 1 \quad (2.14)$$

Thus, we have

$$B = \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n}]^{w_{in-1n}} \quad (2.15)$$

Finally, consider

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj}} \\ &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj}} \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{w_{in-1n-1}} \\ &\quad \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{w_{inn}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.16)$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq n-2$ ,  $j = n-1$ , condition (1.11) becomes,  $w_{in-1n-1} + w''_{in-1} \binom{d(n-1)}{2} = d(i)q$ , for some integer  $q$ , which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{w_{in-1n-1}} &= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w''_{in-1} \binom{d(n-1)}{2}} \\ &\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{d(i)q} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w''_{iin-1} d(n-1)(d(n-1)-1)} \quad [:\text{ for } i < n-1, d(i) = 2] \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1n-1}, x_{1i}, x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}]^{w''_{iin-1} \binom{d(n-1)}{2} \binom{d(i)}{2}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{d(n-1)q} \quad [:\text{ } d(n-1) = 2^2] \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1n-1}, x_{1i}, x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}]^{-d(i) \binom{d(i)}{2} q}
\end{aligned}$$

Since, for  $i < n-1$ ,  $\binom{d(n-1)}{2} \binom{d(i)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}$  and  $d(i) \binom{d(i)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}$ , implies that,

$$\begin{aligned}
\prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{w_{in-1n-1}} &= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w''_{iin-1} d(n-1)(d(n-1)-1)} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{d(n-1)q} \\
&= \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}^{d(n-1)}]^{-w''_{iin-1} (d(n-1)-1)} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1n-1}, x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{-w''_{iin-1} \binom{d(n-1)}{2} (d(n-1)-1)} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}^{d(n-1)}]^q \prod_{i < n-1} [x_{1n-1}, x_{1i}, x_{1n-1}, x_{1n-1}]^{\binom{d(n-1)}{2} q} \\
&= 1, \quad \text{as } \binom{d(n-1)}{2} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(i)}. \tag{2.17}
\end{aligned}$$

From (2.16) and (2.17), we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
C &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-2} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj}} \\
&\quad \prod_{i < n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1n}, x_{1n}]^{w_{inn}} \tag{2.18}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, from (2.1), (2.13), (2.15) and (2.18), we get that  $g = 1$ .  $\square$

In next theorems, we will find some conditions on a finite group  $G$  (not necessarily metabelian) under which the exponent of  $D_5(G)/\gamma_5(G)$  is 1, i.e.,  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $G$  be a finite group. Let  $G/\gamma_2(G)$  be sum of two cyclic groups and let  $\gamma_2(G)/\gamma_3(G)$  be cyclic group. Then  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .*

*Proof.* It is enough to prove the result for a group  $G$  of class 4. Let  $G/\gamma_2(G) \cong C_1 \oplus C_2$ , where  $C_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 2$ , is a cyclic group of order  $d(i)$ . Let  $\gamma_2(G)/\gamma_3(G) = \langle x_{21}\gamma_3(G) \rangle$ , where order of  $x_{21}\gamma_3(G)$  is  $e(1)$ . It clearly follows from Theorem 1.2 that an arbitrary element  $g$  of  $D_5(G)$  is  $[x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{w_{122}}$ ,

subject to the conditions given in Theorem 1.2.

Using (1.1) and Lemma 1.1, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} &= [x_{21}^{b_{11}}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}^{c_{1l}}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} \\ &= [x_{21}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} b_{11}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} c_{1l}} \end{aligned}$$

For  $i = 2$ , condition (1.9) becomes,  $u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} b_{11} = v_{21} d(2) + v'_{21} e(1)$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} &= [x_{21}, x_{12}]^{v_{21} d(2) + v'_{21} e(1)} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} c_{1l}} \\ &= [x_{21}, x_{12}]^{v_{21} d(2)} \cdot [x_{21}, x_{12}]^{v'_{21} e(1)} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} c_{1l}} \\ &= [x_{21}, x_{12}^{d(2)}]^{v_{21}} \cdot [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-v_{21} \binom{d(2)}{2}} [x_{21}^{e(1)}, x_{12}]^{v'_{21}} \\ &\quad \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} c_{1l}} \\ &= [x_{21}, x_{12}^{d(2)}]^{v_{21}} \cdot [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-v_{21} \binom{d(2)}{2}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}^{d_{1l}}, x_{12}]^{v'_{21}} \\ &\quad \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} c_{1l}} \\ &= [x_{21}, x_{12}^{d(2)}]^{v_{21}} \cdot [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-v_{21} \binom{d(2)}{2}} \\ &\quad \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{v'_{21} d_{1l} + u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} c_{1l}} \\ &= A.B.C \text{ (say)} \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} A &= [x_{21}, x_{12}^{d(2)}]^{v_{21}} \\ &= [x_{21}, x_{21}^{b_{21}}]^{v_{21}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{21}, x_{3l}^{c_{2l}}]^{v_{21}} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned} \tag{2.20}$$

For  $i = 2$ , condition (1.14) becomes, we have  $v_{21} \binom{d(2)}{2} = w_{122} b_{11} + \mathbb{Z}$ -linear combination of  $d(2)$  and  $e(1)$ .

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} B &= [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-v_{21} \binom{d(2)}{2}} \\ &= [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-w_{122} b_{11}} \\ &= [x_{21}^{b_{11}}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-w_{122}} \\ &= [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-w_{122}} \end{aligned} \tag{2.21}$$

For  $i = 2$ , condition (1.16) becomes,  $u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} c_{1l} + v'_{21} d_{1l} = -u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} \alpha_l^{(12)} - 2w_{122} \alpha_l^{(12)} - w_{112} \alpha_l^{(11)} + \mathbb{Z}$ -linear combination of  $d(2)$  and  $f(l)$ , which implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
C &= \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{-u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} \alpha_l^{(12)} - 2w_{122} \alpha_l^{(12)} - w_{112} \alpha_l^{(11)}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{-u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} \alpha_l^{(12)}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{-2w_{122} \alpha_l^{(12)}} \prod_{1 \leq l \leq u} [x_{3l}, x_{12}]^{-w_{112} \alpha_l^{(11)}} \\
&= [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-2w_{122}} [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{11}, x_{12}]^{-w_{112}} \\
&= [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-2w_{122}} \\
&= [x_{21}^{b_{11}}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} [x_{21}^{b_{11}}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-2w_{122}} \\
&= [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} b_{11}} [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-2w_{122} b_{11}}
\end{aligned}$$

For  $i = 2$ , conditions (1.9) and (1.14) yield

$$[x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)} b_{11}} = 1, \quad [x_{21}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-2w_{122} b_{11}} = 1$$

Thus,

$$C = 1 \tag{2.22}$$

Now, after putting the values of  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  from (2.20), (2.21) and (2.22) in equation (2.19), we get that,

$$[x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} = [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{-w_{122}},$$

Thus,  $g = [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}]^{u_{12} \frac{d(2)}{d(1)}} [x_{11}^{d(1)}, x_{12}, x_{12}]^{w_{122}} = 1$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $G$  be a finite 2-group. Let  $G/\gamma_2(G)$  be sum of  $n$  cyclic groups each of order 2 and let  $\gamma_2(G)/\gamma_3(G)$  be cyclic group. Then  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .*

*Proof.* It is enough to prove the result for a group  $G$  of class 4. It follows from Theorem 1.2 that any element  $g$  of  $D_5(G)$  is of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
g &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij} \frac{d(j)}{d(i)}} \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq k \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1k}]^{w_{ijk}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij}} \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1k}]^{w_{ijk}} \cdot \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj}} \\
&= A.B.C \text{ (say)} \tag{2.23}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, for  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ ,  $d(i) = d(j) = 2$ , condition (1.7) becomes  $u_{ij} = w_{ijj}d(i) + w'_{ijj}d(j)$ , which implies that,

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{u_{ij}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj}d(i) + w'_{ijj}d(j)} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{d(j)(w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj})} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}]^{w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj}} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-(w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj})\binom{d(j)}{2}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{21}, x_{1j}^{d(j)}]^{b_{i1}(w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj})} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w_{ijj}}, \quad (\text{using (1.1)}) \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w'_{ijj}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{21}, x_{21}]^{b_{i1}b_{j1}(w_{ijj} + w'_{ijj})} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w_{ijj}} \\
&\quad \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w'_{ijj}} \\
&= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [x_{1i}^{d(i)}, x_{1j}, x_{1j}]^{-w_{ijj}}, \quad (\because w'_{ijj} \equiv 0 \pmod{d(j)} \text{ by condition (1.12)})
\end{aligned} \tag{2.24}$$

Now, using condition (1.13) we get that,

$$B = 1 \tag{2.25}$$

From (2.23), (2.24) and (2.25), we get that  $g = 1$ .  $\square$

Similarly, the following result can be proved.

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $G$  be a finite 2-group and  $G/\gamma_2(G) \cong C_1 \oplus C_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus C_n$ , where  $C_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , is a cyclic group of order  $d(i)$ , with  $d(1) = d(2) = \cdots = d(n-1) = 2$ ,  $d(n) \geq 2^2$ . Let  $\gamma_2(G)/\gamma_3(G)$  be cyclic group. Then  $D_5(G) = \gamma_5(G)$ .*

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