

p -quotient algorithm

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Conclusion Lecture 1

Things we have discussed in the first lecture:

- polycyclic groups, sequences, and series
- polycyclic generating sets (**pcgs**) and relative orders
- polycyclic presentations (**pcp**), power exponents, and consistency
- normal forms and collection
- consistency checks
- weighted polycyclic presentations (**wpcp**)

Conclusion Lecture 1

weighted polycyclic presentation (wpcp):

- all relative orders p
- induced polycyclic series is chief series
- relations are partitioned into definitions and non-definitions

Example

Consider

$$G = \text{Pc} \langle x_1, \dots, x_5 \mid x_1^2 = x_4, x_2^2 = x_3, x_3^2 = x_5, x_4^2 = x_5, x_5^2 = 1, [x_2, x_1] = x_3, [x_3, x_1] = x_5 \rangle.$$

Here $\{x_1, x_2\}$ is a minimal generating set, and we choose $[x_2, x_1] = x_3$ and $x_1^2 = x_4$ and $[x_3, x_1] = x_5$ as definitions for $x_3, x_4,$ and $x_5,$ respectively.

Lecture 2: how to compute a wpcp?

Lower exponent- p series

Lower exponent p -series

The **lower exponent- p series** of a p -group G is

$$G = P_0(G) > P_1(G) > \dots > P_c(G) = 1$$

where each $P_{i+1}(G) = [G, P_i(G)]P_i(G)^p$; the **p -class** of G is c .

Important properties

- each $P_i(G)$ is characteristic in G ;
- $P_1(G) = [G, G]G^p = \Phi(G)$, and $G/P_1(G) \cong C_p^d$ with $d = \text{rank}(G)$;
- each section $P_i(G)/P_{i+1}(G)$ is G -central and elementary abelian;
- if G has p -class c , then its nilpotency class is at most c ;
- if θ is a homomorphism, then $\theta(P_i(G)) = P_i(\theta(G))$;
- G/N has p -class c if and only if $P_c(G) \leq N$;
- **weights**: any wpcp on $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ satisfies $a_i \in P_{\omega(a_i)}(G) \setminus P_{\omega(a_i)+1}(G)$.

Lower exponent- p series

Example 11

Consider

$$G = D_{16} = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \mid a_1^2 = 1, a_2^2 = a_3 a_4, a_3^2 = a_4, a_4^2 = 1, [a_2, a_1] = a_3, [a_3, a_1] = a_4 \rangle.$$

Here we can read off:

- $P_0(G) = G$
- $P_1(G) = [G, G]G^2 = \langle a_3, a_4 \rangle$
- $P_2(G) = [G, P_1(G)]P_1(G)^2 = \langle a_4 \rangle$
- $P_3(G) = [G, P_2(G)]P_2(G)^2 = 1$

So G has 2-class 3.

Computing a wpcp of a p -group

p -quotient algorithm³

Input: a p -group $G = F/R = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid \mathcal{R} \rangle$

Output: a wpcp of G

Top-level outline:

- ① compute wpcp of $G/P_1(G)$ and epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_1(G)$, then iterate:
- ② given wpcp of $G/P_k(G)$ and epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_k(G)$, compute wpcp of $G/P_{k+1}(G)$ and epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_{k+1}(G)$;

For the second step, we use the so-called p -cover of $G/P_k(G)$.

More general: a “ p -quotient algorithm” computes a consistent wpcp of the largest p -class k quotient (if it exists) of any finitely presented group.

³Historically: MacDonald (1974), Havas & Newman (1980), Newman & O’Brien (1996)

Computing a wpcp of $G/P_1(G)$

Note that $G/P_1(G)$ is elementary abelian.

Computing wpcp of $G/P_1(G)$

Input: a p -group $G = F/R = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid \mathcal{R} \rangle$

Output: a wpcp of $G/P_1(G)$ and epimorphism $\theta: G \rightarrow G/P_1(G)$

Approach:

- 1 abelianise relations, take exponents modulo p , write these in matrix M
- 2 compute solution space of M over $\text{GF}(p)$

Then:

- dimension d of solution space is rank of G , that is, $G/P_1(G) \cong C_p^d$
- generating set of $G/P_1(G)$ lifts to subset of given generators;
set $G/P_1(G) = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_d \mid a_1^p = \dots = a_d^p \rangle$ and define θ by

$$\theta(x_i) = a_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, d;$$

images of $\theta(x_j)$ with $j > d$ are determined accordingly.

Computing a wpcp of $G/P_1(G)$

Example 12

$G = \langle x_1, \dots, x_6 \mid x_6^{10}, x_1x_2x_3, x_2x_3x_4, \dots, x_4x_5x_6, x_5x_6x_1, x_1x_6x_2 \rangle$ and $p = 2$

Write coefficients of abelianised and mod-2 reduced equations as rows of matrix, use row-echelonisation, and determine that solution space has dimension 2:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix};$$

Modulo $P_1(G)$, this shows that $x_1 = x_5x_6$, $x_2 = x_5$, $x_3 = x_6$, $x_4 = x_5x_6$, and **Burnside's Basis Theorem** implies that $G = \langle x_5, x_6 \rangle$. Lastly, set

$$G/P_1(G) = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, a_2 \mid a_1^2 = a_2^2 = 1 \rangle,$$

and define $\theta: G \rightarrow G/P_1(G)$ via $x_5 \mapsto a_1$ and $x_6 \mapsto a_2$.

This determines $\theta(x_1) = a_1a_2$, $\theta(x_2) = a_1$, $\theta(x_3) = a_2$, and $\theta(x_4) = a_1a_2$.

Compute wpcp for $G/P_{k+1}(G)$ from that of $G/P_k(G)$

Given:

- wpcp of d -generator p -group $G/P_k(G)$ and epimorphism $\theta: G \rightarrow G/P_k(G)$

Want:

- wpcp of $G/P_{k+1}(G)$ and epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_{k+1}(G)$

In the following:

- $H = G/P_k(G)$ and $K = G/P_{k+1}(G)$ and $Z = P_k(G)/P_{k+1}(G)$
- note that Z is elementary abelian, K -central, and $K/Z \cong H$

Approach: Construct a *covering* H^* of H such that every d -generator p -group L with $L/M \cong H$ and $M \leq L$ central elementary abelian, is a quotient of H^* .

Thus, the next steps are:

- 1 define p -cover H^* and determine a pcp of H^* ;
- 2 make this presentation consistent;
- 3 construct K as quotient of H^* by enforcing defining relations of G .

p-covering group: definition

Theorem 13: p-covering group

Let H be a d -generator p -group; there is a d -generator p -group H^* with:

- $H^*/M \cong H$ for some central elementary abelian $M \trianglelefteq H^*$;
- if L is a d -generator p -group with $L/Y \cong H$ for some central elementary abelian $Y \leq L$, then L is a quotient of H^* .

The group H^* is unique up to isomorphism.

Proof.

Let $H = F/S$ with F free of rank d . Define $H^* = F/S^*$ with $S^* = [S, F]S^p$.

Now S/S^* is elementary abelian p -group, so H^* is (finite) d -generator p -group.

Let L be as in the theorem, and let $\psi: L \rightarrow H$ with kernel Y .

Let $\theta: F \rightarrow H$ with kernel S . Since F is free, θ factors through L , that is,

$\theta: F \xrightarrow{\varphi} L \xrightarrow{\psi} H$, and so $\varphi(S) \leq \ker \psi = Y$. This implies that $\varphi(S^*) = 1$.

In conclusion, φ induces surjective map from $H^* = F/S^*$ onto L .

If H^* and \tilde{H}^* are two such covers, then each is an image of the other.

p-covering group: presentation

Given: a wpcp $\text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_m \mid \mathcal{S} \rangle$ for $H = G/P_k(G) \cong F/S$
and epimorphism $\theta: G \rightarrow H$ with $\theta(x_i) = a_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, d$

Want: a wpcp for $H^* \cong F/S^*$ where $S^* = [S, F]S^p$

Recall: each of a_{d+1}, \dots, a_m occurs as right hand side of one relation in \mathcal{S} ;
write $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_{\text{def}} \cup \mathcal{S}_{\text{nondef}}$ with $\mathcal{S}_{\text{nondef}} = \{s_1, \dots, s_q\}$.

Theorem 14

Using the previous notation, $H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_q \mid \mathcal{S}^* \rangle$, where

$$\mathcal{S}^* = \mathcal{S}_{\text{def}} \cup \{s_1 b_1, \dots, s_q b_q\} \cup \{b_1^p, \dots, b_q^p\}.$$

Note: $M = \langle b_1, \dots, b_q \rangle \trianglelefteq H^*$ is elementary abelian, central, and $H^*/M \cong H$.

(see Newman, Nickel, Niemeyer: "Descriptions of groups of prime-power order", 1998)

In practice: fewer new generators are introduced.

p-covering group: example

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If $H = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, a_2 \mid a_1^2 = a_2^2 = 1 \rangle \cong C_2 \times C_2$, then

$$H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2, b_3 \mid a_1^2 = b_1, a_2^2 = b_2, [a_1, a_2] = b_3, b_1^2 = b_2^2 = b_3^2 = 1 \rangle;$$

indeed, $H^* \cong (C_4 \times C_2) : C_4$, thus we have found a consistent wpcp!

Example 16

If $H = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \mid a_1^2 = a_3^2 = 1, a_2^2 = a_3, [a_2, a_1] = a_3 \rangle \cong D_8$, then

$$H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, a_2, a_3, b_1, \dots, b_5 \mid \mathcal{T} \cup \{b_1^2, \dots, b_5^2\} \rangle \quad \text{with}$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \{a_1^2 = b_1, a_2^2 = a_3 b_2, a_3^2 = b_3, [a_2, a_1] = a_3, [a_3, a_1] = b_4, [a_3, a_2] = b_5\};$$

this pcg has power exponents $[2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2]$.

However, $H^* \cong (C_8 \times C_2) : C_4$, so presentation is **not consistent!**

Next step: make the presentation of H^* consistent.

p-covering group: consistency algorithm

By Theorem 8, the presentation $H^* = \text{PC}\langle u_1, \dots, u_{m+q} \mid \mathcal{S}^* \rangle$ with $(u_1, \dots, u_{m+q}) = (a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_q)$ is consistent if and only if

$$u_k(u_j u_i) = (u_k u_j) u_i \quad (1 \leq i < j < k \leq m+q)$$

$$(u_j^p) u_i = u_j^{p-1} (u_j u_i) \quad \text{and} \quad u_j (u_i^p) = (u_j u_i) u_i^{p-1} \quad (1 \leq i < j \leq m+q)$$

$$u_j (u_j^p) = (u_j^p) u_j \quad (1 \leq j \leq m+q).$$

Consistency Algorithm⁴: find consistent presentation for H^*

- If each pair of words in the above “consistency checks” collects to the same normal word, then the presentation is consistent.
- Otherwise, the quotient of the two different words obtained from one of these conditions is formed and equated to the identity word: this gives a new relation which holds in the group.
- The pcp for H is consistent, so any new relation is an equation in the elementary abelian subgroup M generated by the new generators $\{b_1, \dots, b_q\}$, which implies that one of these generators is redundant.

⁴Historically: Wamsley (1974), Vaughan-Lee (1984)

p-covering group: consistency algorithm

By Theorem 8, the presentation $H^* = \text{Pc}\langle u_1, \dots, u_{m+q} \mid \mathcal{S}^* \rangle$ with $(u_1, \dots, u_{m+q}) = (a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_q)$ is consistent if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} u_k(u_j u_i) &= (u_k u_j) u_i & (1 \leq i < j < k \leq m+q) \\ (u_j^p) u_i &= u_j^{p-1} (u_j u_i) \text{ and } u_j (u_i^p) = (u_j u_i) u_i^{p-1} & (1 \leq i < j \leq m+q) \\ u_j (u_j^p) &= (u_j^p) u_j & (1 \leq j \leq m+q). \end{aligned}$$

Example 17

Consider $G = \text{Pc}\langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \mid u_1^2 = u_2, u_2^2 = u_3, u_3^2 = 1, [u_2, u_1] = u_3 \rangle$.
The last test applied to u_1 yields

$$u_1^3 = (u_1^2) u_1 = u_2 u_1 = u_1 u_2 u_3 \quad \text{and} \quad u_1^3 = u_1 (u_1^2) = u_1 u_2,$$

so $u_3 = 1$ in G , hence $G = \text{Pc}\langle u_1, u_2 \mid u_1^2 = u_2, u_2^2 = 1 \rangle \cong C_4$.

Construct K from cover H^* of H

So what have we got so far...

- p -group $G = F/R = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid \mathcal{R} \rangle$
- consistent wpcp of $H = G/P_k(G) = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_m \mid \mathcal{S} \rangle$
- epimorphism $\theta: G \rightarrow H$ with $\theta(x_i) = a_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, d$
- consistent wpcp of cover $H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_q \mid \mathcal{S}^* \rangle$;
note that $H^*/M \cong H$ where $M = \langle b_1, \dots, b_q \rangle$

Want:

- consistent wpcp of $K = G/P_{k+1}(G)$ and epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_{k+1}(G)$

Know:

- $K/Z \cong H$ where $Z = P_k(G)/P_{k+1}(G)$ is elementary abelian, central
- K is quotient of H^*

Idea:

- construct K as quotient of H^* : add relations enforced by G to \mathcal{S}^*

Construct K from cover H^* of H

So what have we got so far...

- p -group $G = F/R = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \mid \mathcal{R} \rangle$
- consistent wpcp of $H = G/P_k(G) = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_m \mid \mathcal{S} \rangle$
- epimorphism $\theta: G \rightarrow H$ with $\theta(x_i) = a_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, d$
- consistent pcpc of cover $H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_q \mid \mathcal{S}^* \rangle$;
note that $H^*/M \cong H$ where $M = \langle b_1, \dots, b_q \rangle$

Enforcing relations of G :

- know that $K = G/P_{k+1}(G)$ is quotient of H^*
- lift $\theta: G \rightarrow H$ to $\hat{\theta}: F \rightarrow H^*$ such that $\hat{\theta}(x_i) = a_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, d$
- for every relator $r \in \mathcal{R}$ compute $n_r = \hat{\theta}(r) \in M$;
let L be the subgroup of M generated by all these n_r
- by von Dyck's Theorem $H^*/L \rightarrow K$ and $G \rightarrow H^*/L$ are surjective;
since K is the largest p -class $k+1$ quotient of G , we deduce $K = H^*/L$

Finally: find consistent wpcpc of $K = H^*/L$ and get epimorphism $G \rightarrow K$

Big example: p -quotient algorithm in action

Let $G = \langle x, y \mid [[y, x], x] = x^2, (xyx)^4, x^4, y^4, (yx)^3y = x \rangle$ and $p = 2$.

First round:

- compute $G/P_1(G)$ using abelianisation and row-echelonisation:

obtain $H = G/P_1(G) \cong \text{Pc}\langle a_1, a_2 \mid a_1^2 = a_2^2 = 1 \rangle$

and epimorphism $\theta: G \rightarrow H$, which is defined by $(x, y) \rightarrow (a_1, a_2)$.

- construct covering of H by adding new generators and tails:

$$H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_5 \mid a_1^2 = a_3, a_2^2 = a_4, [a_2, a_1] = a_5, a_3^2 = a_4^2 = a_5^2 = 1 \rangle$$

- the consistency algorithm shows that this presentation is consistent

- evaluate relations of G in H^* :

- $1 = [[a_2, a_1], a_1] = \hat{\theta}([[y, x], x]) = \hat{\theta}(x^2) = a_1^2 = a_3$ forces $a_3 = 1$

- $(xyx)^4, x^4, y^4$ impose no conditions

- $a_1 a_3 = \hat{\theta}((yx)^3 y) = \hat{\theta}(x) = a_1$ also forces $a_3 = 1$

- construct $G/P_2(G)$ as $H^*/\langle a_3 \rangle$; after renaming a_4, a_5 :

$$G/P_2(G) \cong \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_4 \mid a_1^2 = 1, a_2^2 = a_4, [a_2, a_1] = a_3, a_3^2 = a_4^2 = 1 \rangle$$

and epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_2(G)$ defined by $(x, y) \rightarrow (a_1, a_2)$.

Big example: p -quotient algorithm in action

$$G/P_2(G) = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_4 \mid a_1^2 = 1, a_2^2 = a_4, [a_2, a_1] = a_3, a_3^2 = a_4^2 = 1 \rangle$$

Second round:

- construct covering of $H = G/P_2(G)$ by adding new generators and tails:

$$H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_{12} \mid a_1^2 = a_{12}, a_2^2 = a_4, a_3^2 = a_{11}, a_4^2 = a_{10}, \\ [a_2, a_1] = a_3, [a_3, a_1] = a_5, [a_3, a_2] = a_6, [a_4, a_1] = a_7, \\ [a_4, a_2] = a_8, [a_4, a_3] = a_9, a_5^2 = \dots = a_{12}^2 = 1 \rangle$$

- the consistency algorithm shows only the following inconsistencies:

$$\bullet a_2(a_2a_2) = a_2a_4 \text{ and } (a_2a_2)a_2 = a_4a_2 = a_2a_4a_8 \implies a_8 = 1$$

$$\bullet a_2(a_1a_1) = a_2a_{12} \text{ and } (a_2a_1)a_1 = a_1a_2a_3a_1 = \dots = a_2a_5a_{11}a_{12} \implies a_5a_{11} = 1$$

$$\bullet a_2(a_2a_1) = a_1a_2^2a_3^2a_6 = a_1a_4a_6a_{11} \text{ and } (a_2a_2)a_1 = a_1a_4a_7 \implies a_6a_7a_{11} = 1$$

$$\bullet a_3(a_2a_2) = a_3a_4 \text{ and } (a_3a_2)a_2 = a_2a_3a_6a_2 = a_2^2a_3a_6^2 = a_3a_4a_9 \implies a_9 = 1$$

- removing redundant gens (and renaming), we obtain the consistent wpcp

$$H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_8 \mid a_1^2 = a_8, a_2^2 = a_4, a_3^2 = a_7, a_4^2 = a_6, a_5^2 = \dots = a_8^2 = 1 \\ [a_2, a_1] = a_3, [a_3, a_1] = a_7, [a_3, a_2] = a_5a_7, [a_4, a_1] = a_5 \rangle$$

Big example: p -quotient algorithm in action

Still second round:

- $G = \langle x, y \mid [[y, x], x] = x^2, (xyx)^4, x^4, y^4, (yx)^3y = x \rangle$ and $p = 2$;
- epimorphism $\theta: G \rightarrow H$ onto $H = G/P_2(H)$ defined by $(x, y) \rightarrow (a_1, a_2)$
- $H^* = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_8 \mid a_1^2 = a_8, a_2^2 = a_4, a_3^2 = a_7, a_4^2 = a_6, a_5^2 = \dots = a_8^2 = 1$
 $[a_2, a_1] = a_3, [a_3, a_1] = a_7, [a_3, a_2] = a_5a_7, [a_4, a_1] = a_5 \rangle$

Evaluate relations of G in H^* :

- $a_7 = [[a_2, a_1], a_1] = \hat{\theta}([[y, x], x]) = \hat{\theta}(x^2) = a_1^2 = a_8$ forces $a_7 = a_8$
- $(xyx)^4$ forces $a_6 = 1$; x^4 and y^4 impose no condition
- $\hat{\theta}((yx)^3y) = \hat{\theta}(x)$ forces $a_7a_8 = 1$

Now construct $G/P_3(G)$ as $H^*/\langle a_7a_8, a_6 \rangle$; after renaming:

$$G/P_3(G) = \text{Pc}\langle a_1, \dots, a_6 \mid a_1^2 = a_6, a_2^2 = a_4, a_3^2 = a_6, a_4^2 = 1, a_5^2 = a_6^2 = 1, \\ [a_2, a_1] = a_3, [a_3, a_1] = a_6, [a_3, a_2] = a_5a_6, [a_4, a_1] = a_5 \rangle$$

and the epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_3(G)$ is defined by $(x, y) \rightarrow (a_1, a_2)$.

Big example: p -quotient algorithm in action

In conclusion:

We started with

$$G = \langle x, y \mid [[y, x], x] = x^2, (xyx)^4, x^4, y^4, (yx)^3y = x \rangle$$

and computed $G/P_3(G)$ as

$$\text{PC}\langle a_1, \dots, a_6 \mid a_1^2 = a_6, a_2^2 = a_4, a_3^2 = a_6, a_4^2 = a_5^2 = a_6^2 = 1, \\ [a_2, a_1] = a_3, [a_3, a_1] = a_6, [a_3, a_2] = a_5a_6, [a_4, a_1] = a_5 \rangle$$

with epimorphism $G \rightarrow G/P_3(G)$ defined by $(x, y) \rightarrow (a_1, a_2)$.

One can check that $|G| = |G/P_3(G)| = 2^6$, hence $G \cong G/P_3(G)$.

In particular, we have found a consistent wpcp for G .

In general: if our input group is a finite p -group, then the p -quotient algorithm constructs a consistent wpcp of that group.

Motivation and Application: Burnside problem

Burnside Problems

- **Generalised Burnside Problem (GBP)**, 1902:
Is every finitely generated torsion group finite?
- **Burnside Problem (BP)**, 1902:
Let $B(d, n)$ be the largest d -generator group with $g^n = 1$ for all $g \in G$.
Is this group finite? If so, what is its order?
- **Restricted Burnside Problem (RBP)**, ~ 1940 :
What is order of largest finite quotient $R(d, n)$ of $B(d, n)$, if it exists?

- Golod-Šafarevič (1964): answer to GBP is “no”;
(cf. Ol’shanskii’s Tarski monster)
- Various authors: $B(d, n)$ is finite for $n = 2, 3, 4, 6$, but in no other cases with $d > 1$ is it known to be finite; is $B(2, 5)$ finite?
- Higman-Hall (1956): reduced (RBP) to prime-power n .
- Zel’manov (1990-91): $R(d, n)$ always exists! (**Fields medal 1994**)

Motivation and Application: Burnside problem

Burnside groups:

- $B(d, n) = \langle x_1, \dots, x_d \mid g^n = 1 \text{ for all words } g \text{ in } x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$
- $R(d, n)$ largest finite quotient of $B(d, n)$; exists by Zel'manov

Recall: the p -quotient algorithm computes a consistent wpcp of the largest p -class k quotient (if it exists) of any finitely presented group.

Implementations of the p -quotient algorithm have been used to determine the order and compute pcps for various of these groups.

Group	Order	Authors
$B(3, 4)$	2^{69}	Bayes, Kautsky & Wamsley (1974)
$R(2, 5)$	5^{34}	Havas, Wall & Wamsley (1974)
$B(4, 4)$	2^{422}	Alford, Havas & Newman (1975)
$R(3, 5)$	5^{2282}	Vaughan-Lee (1988); Newman & O'Brien (1996)
$B(5, 4)$	2^{2728}	Newman & O'Brien (1996)
$R(2, 7)$	7^{20416}	O'Brien & Vaughan-Lee (2002)