



## generalizing/approximating normality

A subgroup  $H$  of a group  $G$  is said:

(nn) **nearly-normal** if  $|H^G : H| < \infty$

that is  $H$  has finite index in a normal subgroup  $H^G$  of  $G$ ;

(cf) **normal-by-finite or core-finite** if  $|H : H_G| < \infty$ .

that is there is a normal subgroup  $H_G$  of  $G$  with finite index in  $H$ ;

(cn) **commensurable with a normal subgroup** if there is  $N \triangleleft G$  such that  $|HN : (H \cap N)| < \infty$ .

- B.H. Neumann, 1955:

all subgroups of the group  $G$  are **nn**=nearly normal if and only if  $G$  is **finite-by-abelian**.

- J.T.Buckley, J.C.Lennox, B.H.Neumann, H.Smith, J.Wiegold, 1995:

if  $G$  is a CF-group, i.e. all subgroups are **cf**=core-finite then  $G$  is **abelian-by-finite**, provided  $G$  is PILF (Periodic Images are Locally Finite).

- C.Casolo, U. Dardano, S. Rinauro, 2018:

if  $G$  is a CN-group, i.e. all subgroups are **cn**, then  $G$  is **finite-by-abelian-by-finite**, provided  $G$  is PILF.

For each prime  $p$  there is a soluble  $p$ -group which is neither abelian-by-finite nor finite-by-abelian.

## generalized T-groups

$T$  = normality is transitive i.e. subnormal subgroup are normal;

$T^*$  = **nn** is transitive, equiv. subnormal subgroup are nearly normal;

$T_*$  = **cf** is transitive, equiv. subnormal subgroups are core-finite;

$T[*]$  = **cn** is transitive, equiv. each subnormal subgroup is commensurable with a normal subgroup.

**Theorem** Let  $G$  be a finitely generated soluble group.

1) if  $G$  is  $T$ , then  $G$  is finite-or-abelian. (Robinson, 1964)

2) if  $G$  is  $T^*$ , then  $G$  is abelian-by-finite. (Casolo, 1989)

3) if  $G$  is  $T_*$ , then  $G$  is abelian-by-finite (Franciosi, de Giovanni, Newell, 1989)

6) if  $G$  is  $T[*]$ , then  $G$  is abelian-by-finite (Dardano,Dikranjan,Rinauro,2018)

**Theorem** Let  $G$  be a subsoluble group.

1) if  $G$  is  $T$ , then  $G$  is metabelian. (Robinson, 1964)

2) if  $G$  is  $T^*$ , then  $G$  is finite-by-metabelian. (Casolo, 1989)

3) if  $G$  is  $T_*$ , then  $G$  is metabelian-by-finite. (Franciosi, de Giovanni, Newell, 1995)

6) if  $G$  is  $T[*]$ , then  $G$  is finite-by-metabelian (Dardano, De Mari, see Theorem A or [1])

## more generalized T-groups, see [1]

**Theorem A** [see 1] *Let  $G$  be a subsoluble  $T[*]$ -group. Then  $G$  is finite-by-metabelian, hence  $G$  is soluble. Moreover, all finitely generated subgroups of  $G$  are CF-groups, hence  $G$  is locally (abelian-by-finite).*

In particular, also subsoluble  $T_*$ -groups are finite-by-metabelian.

On the other hand, there are soluble  $T_*$ -groups of arbitrary derived length which are not finite-by-abelian-by-finite.

Concerning the locally nilpotent case, we generalize the results for  $T_*$  to the larger class  $T[*]$ .

**Theorem B** [see 1] *Let  $G$  be a locally nilpotent  $T[*]$ -group. Then  $G$  is hypercentral. Moreover, if  $G$  is periodic, then  $G$  is a CN-group with a nilpotent subgroup of index at most 2.*

It follows that any radical  $T[*]$ -group is soluble.

Note that the dihedral group on a Prüfer 2-group is a locally nilpotent  $T$ -group which is non-nilpotent.

## considering the rank of subgroups, see[3]

A group  $G$  is said to have *infinite rank* if there is no integer  $r$  such that every finitely generated subgroup of  $G$  can be generated by  $r$  elements.

M. De Falco, F. de Giovanni, C. Musella, N. Trabelsi (2015) have considered groups with properties  $T_+$  ( $T^+$ , resp.), that is groups in which the condition of being **nn** (resp. **cf**) is imposed only to subnormal subgroups with infinite rank. They showed that a periodic soluble group of infinite rank  $G$  with property  $T_+$  ( $T^+$ , resp.) has the full  $T_*$  ( $T^*$ , resp.) property, provided one of the following holds:

- the Hirsch-Plotkin radical of  $G$  has infinite rank,

- the commutator subgroup  $G'$  is nilpotent.

A similar statement is true also for the property **cn**.

$T[+]$  = subnormal subgroups of infinite rank are commensurable with normal subgroups

**Theorem C** [see 3] *Let  $G$  be a periodic soluble  $T[+]$ -group whose Hirsch-Plotkin radical has infinite rank. Then  $G$  is a  $T[*]$ -group.*

**Corollary** *Let  $G$  be a periodic soluble  $T[+]$ -group (resp.  $T_+$ -group) of infinite rank such that  $\pi(G')$  is finite. Then all subgroups of  $G$  are **cn** (resp.**cf**)*

**Theorem D** [see 3] *Let  $G$  be a periodic  $T[+]$ -group of infinite rank with nilpotent commutator subgroup. Then  $G$  is a  $T[*]$ -group.*

Note that the holomorph  $G$  group of the additive group  $A$  of the rational numbers is  $T[+]$ . However all proper non-trivial subgroups of  $A$  are not **cn** in  $G$ .

## groups minimal wrt some properties [2]

The study of groups whose proper subgroups only have a certain property  $\mathcal{P}$  is a standard in the theory of groups. The goal of this kind of investigations is to detect out restrictions for the class of so-called *minimal-non- $\mathcal{P}$*  groups, possibly under suitable generalized solubility conditions. The case when  $\mathcal{P}$  is the property of being *abelian-by-finite* was considered by B.Bruno and R.E.Phillips (1995) who showed that locally graded minimal-non-*AF* groups are periodic or perfect.

**Theorem E** [see 2] *Let  $G$  be a locally graded group.*

*If all proper subgroups of  $G$  are finite-by-abelian-by-finite, then  $G$  contains a finite normal subgroup  $N$  such that all proper subgroups of  $G/N$  are abelian-by-finite.*

*In particular, if  $G$  is minimal-non-(finite-by-abelian-by-finite), then  $G$  is periodic and finite-by-metabelian.*

**Theorem F** [see 2] *Let  $G$  be a locally graded group whose periodic sections are locally finite. If all proper subgroups of  $G$  are CN-groups, then  $G$  contains a finite normal subgroup  $N$  such that all proper subgroups of  $G/N$  are CF-groups, hence  $G$  is finite-by-abelian-by-finite.*

We may impose the condition to subgroups with infinite rank only:

**Theorem E'** [see 2] *Let  $G$  be a locally (soluble-by-finite) group of infinite rank whose proper subgroups of infinite rank are finite-by-abelian-by-finite. Then all proper subgroups of  $G$  are finite-by-abelian-by-finite.*

**Theorem F'** [see 2] *Let  $G$  be a locally (soluble-by-finite) group of infinite rank whose proper subgroups of infinite rank are CN-groups. Then  $G$  is finite-by-abelian-by-finite.*

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