

On the Structure of Some Groups Containing $PSL(3,3) \wr PSL(3,5)$

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Abstract

In this paper, we will generate the wreath product $PSL(3,3) \wr PSL(3,5)$ using only two permutations. We will show the structure of some groups containing the wreath product $PSL(3,3) \wr PSL(3,5)$. The structure of the group constructed is determined in terms of wreath product $(PSL(3,3) \wr PSL(3,5)) \wr C_k$. Some related cases are also included. Also, we will show that S_{403k+1} and A_{403k+1} can be generated using the wreath product $(PSL(3,3) \wr PSL(3,5)) \wr C_k$ and a transposition in S_{403k+1} and an element of order 3 in A_{403k+1} . We will also show that S_{403k+1} and A_{403k+1} can be generated using the wreath product $PSL(3,3) \wr PSL(3,5)$ and an element of order $k+1$.

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1 Introduction

Hammas and Al-Amri [1], have shown that A_{2n+1} of degree $2n + 1$ can be generated using a copy of S_n and an element of order 3 in A_{2n+1} . They also gave the symmetric generating set of Groups A_{kn+1} and S_{kn+1} using S_n [5].

Shafee [2] showed that the groups A_{kn+1} and S_{kn+1} can be generated using the wreath product $A_n wr S_a$ and an element of order $k+1$. Also she showed how to generate S_{kn+1} and A_{kn+1} symmetrically using n elements each of order $k+1$.

In [3], Shafee showed that the groups A_{252k+1} and S_{252k+1} can be generated using the wreath product $L_2(13) wr L_2(17)$ and an element of order $k+1$.

The Linear groups $PSL(3, 3)$ and $PSL(3, 5)$ are two groups of the well known simple groups. In [6], they are fully described. They have presentations in [6] as follows :

$$PSL(3, 3) = \langle X, Y \mid X^6 = Y^3 = (XY)^4 = (X^2Y)^4 = (X^3Y)^3 = [X^2, (YX^2Y)^2] = 1 \rangle . \quad (1)$$

Using GAP $PSL(3, 3)$ can be generated using two permutations as follows:

$$PSL(3, 3) = \langle (5, 8, 11)(1, 5)(6, 9, 12)(7, 10, 13)(1, 2, 5)(3, 8, 7)(4, 11, 6)(9, 10, 13) \rangle . \quad (2)$$

Using GAP $PSL(3, 5)$ can be generated using two permutations as follow:

$$PSL(3, 5) = \langle (\alpha, \beta) \rangle ,$$

where

$$\alpha = (3, 4, 5, 6)(8, 11, 10, 9)(12, 22)(13, 26, 15, 24)(14, 23, 16, 25)(17, 27)(18, 31, 20, 29)(19, 28, 21, 30)$$

$$\beta = (1, 12, 16, 13)(2, 9, 24, 29)(3, 21, 30, 22)(4, 28, 7, 20)(5, 25, 18, 11)(10, 31, 17, 23)$$

Here we will generate the wreath product $PSL(3, 3) wr PSL(3, 5)$ using only two permutations and we will show the structure of some groups containing the wreath product $PSL(3, 3) wr PSL(3, 5)$. The structure of the groups obtained is determined in terms of wreath product $(PSL(3, 3) wr PSL(3, 5)) wr C_k$.

Some related cases are also included. We will show that S_{403k+1} and A_{403k+1} can be generated using the wreath product $(PSL(3, 3) wr PSL(3, 5)) wr C_k$ and

a transposition in S_{403k+1} and an element of order in A_{403k+1} . We will also show that S_{403k+1} and A_{403k+1} can be generated using the wreath product $PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5)$ and an element of order .

2 PRELIMINARY RESULTS

DEFINITION 2.1.[6] The general linear group $GL_n(q)$ consists of all the $n \times n$ matrices that have non-zero determinant over the field F_q with q -elements. The special linear group $SL_n(q)$ is the subgroup of $GL_n(q)$ which consists of all matrices of determinant one. The projective general linear group $PGL_n(q)$ and projective special general linear group $PSL_n(q)$ are the groups obtained from $GL_n(q)$ and $SL_n(q)$. The projective special general linear group $PSL_n(q)$ is also denoted by $L_n(q)$. The orders of these groups are

$|GL_n(q)| = (q-1)N, |SL_n(q)| = |PGL_n(q)| = N, |PSL_n(q)| = |L_n(q)| = \frac{N}{d}$, where

$$N = q^{\frac{1n(n-1)}{2}}(q^n - 1)(q^{n-1} - 1)\dots(q^2 - 1) \text{ and } d = (q-1, n)$$

DEFINITION 2.2.[4] Let A and B be groups of permutations on non empty sets Ω_1 and Ω_2 , respectively, where $\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2 = \phi$. The wreath product of A and B is denoted by $AwrB$ and defined as $AwrB = A^{\Omega_2} \times_{\theta} B$, i.e., the direct product of $|\Omega_2|$ copies of A and a mapping θ , where $\theta : B \rightarrow Aut(A^{\Omega_2})$ is defined by $\theta_y(x) = x^y$, for all $x \in A^{\Omega_2}$. It follows that

$$|AwrB| = (|A|)^{|\Omega_2|} |B|. \tag{3}$$

THEOREM 2.3 (Jordan-Moore)[7] The group $PSL_n(q)$ is simple if and only if $q \geq 3$.

THEOREM 2.1 [4] Let G be the group generated by the n -cycle $(1, 2, \dots, n)$ and the 2-cycle (n, a) . If $1 < a < n$, is an integer with $n = am$, then

$$G \cong S_m wr C_a. \tag{4}$$

THEOREM 2.5 [4] Let $1 \leq a \neq b < n$ be any integers. Let n be an odd integer and let G the group generated by the n -cycle $(1, 2, \dots, n)$ and the 3-cycle (n, a, b) . If $hcf(n, a, b) = 1$, then $G \cong A_n$. While if n can be even then

$$G \cong S_n. \quad (5)$$

THEOREM 2.6[4] Let $1 \leq a \leq n$ be any integer. Let $G = \langle (1, 2, \dots, n), (n, a) \rangle$. If $hcf(n, a) = 1$, then $G \cong S_n$.

THEOREM 2.7 [4] Let $1 \leq a \neq b < n$ be any integers. Let n be an even integer and let G the group generated by the n -cycle $(1, 2, \dots, n)$ and the 3-cycle (n, a, b) . Then

$$G \cong A_n. \quad (6)$$

3 THE RESULTS

THEOREM 3.1 The wreath product $PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5)$ can be generated using two permutations, the first is of order 403 and the second is of order 4.

Proof: Let $G = \langle X, Y \rangle$, Where: $X = (1, 2, 3, \dots, 403)$,

$$Y = (3, 4, 5, 6)(8, 11, 10, 9)(12, 22)(13, 26, 15, 24)(14, 23, 16, 25)(17, 27)(18, 31, 20, 29) \\ (19, 28, 21, 30)(1, 12, 16, 13)(2, 9, 24, 29)(3, 21, 30, 22)(4, 28, 7, 20)(5, 25, 18, 11) \\ (10, 31, 17, 23)$$

which is the product of 12 cycles each of order 4 and two of transpositions.

Let $\alpha_1 = ((XY)^6[X, Y]^5)^{18}$. Then

$$\alpha_1 = (31, 62, 93, 124, 155, 186, 217, 248, 279, 310, 341, 372, 403),$$

which is a cycle of order 13. Let $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1^{-1}X$.

It is easy to show that

$$\alpha_2 = (1, 2, 3, \dots, 31)(32, 33, 34, \dots, 62) \dots (373, 374, 375, \dots, 403),$$

which is the product of 13 cycles each of order 31.

Let: $\beta_1 = (Y^2)^{(XY)^{18}} = (9, 20)(12, 23)(31, 53)(34, 56)$, $\beta_2 = \beta_1 Y^{-1} = (1, 9, 12, 20)(2, 6)(4, 5)(7, 8)(13, 17)(15, 16)(18, 19)(23, 31, 45, 53)(24, 28)(26, 27)(29, 30)(34, 42)(35, 39)(37, 38)(40, 41)(46, 50)(48, 49)(51, 52)(56, 64)(57, 61)(59, 60)(62, 63)(67, 75)(68, 72)(70, 71)(73, 74)$, $\beta_3 = (Y^3\beta_2)^2 = (1, 45)(12, 23)$, $\beta_4 = \beta_3^{(\alpha_2^{-1}\alpha_1^3)} = (31, 124)(155, 186)$ and $\beta_5 = \beta_4^{\beta_3^{\alpha_2^{-1}}} = (31, 372)(124, 155)$. Let $\alpha_3 = \beta_5^{\beta_3^{\alpha_2^{-1}}\alpha_1}$. Hence

$$\alpha_3 = (31, 62)(93, 155).$$

Let $\alpha_4 = YX^{-1}\alpha_3^{-1}X$. We can conclude that

$$\alpha_4 = (1, 9)(2, 6)(4, 5)(7, 8)(12, 20)(13, 17)(15, 16)(18, 19)(23, 31)(24, 28) \\ (26, 27)(29, 30)(34, 42)(35, 39)(37, 38)(40, 41)(45, 53)(46, 50)(48, 49)(51, 52)(56, 64) \\ (57, 61)(59, 60)(62, 63)(67, 75)(68, 72)(70, 71)(73, 74),$$

which is a product of twenty eight transpositions.

Let $K = \langle \alpha_2, \alpha_4 \rangle$. Let $\theta : K \rightarrow PSL(3, 5)$ be the mapping defined by

$$\theta(31i+j) = j, \forall 0 \leq i \leq 12, \forall 0 \leq j \leq 31.$$

Since $\theta(\alpha_2) = (1, 2, \dots, 31)$ and $\theta(\alpha_4) = (1, 9)(2, 6)(4, 5)(7, 8)$, then $K \cong \theta(K) = PSL(3, 5)$. Let $H_0 = \langle \alpha_1, \alpha_3 \rangle$. Then $H_0 \cong PSL(3, 3)$. Moreover, K conjugates H_0 into H_1 , H_1 into H_2 and so it conjugates H_{31} into H_0 , where

$$H_i = \langle (i, 31+i, 62+i, 93+i, 124+i, 155+i, 186+i, 217+i, 248+i, 279+i, 310+i, 341+i, 372+i), (i, 31+i)(62+i, 124+i) \rangle \quad \forall 0 \leq i \leq 30$$

". Hence we get $PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5) \subseteq G$. On the other hand, since

$$X = \alpha_1\alpha_2 \text{ and } Y = \alpha_4\alpha_3^X \text{ then } G \subseteq PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5).$$

$$\text{Hence } G = PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5)$$

. \diamond

THEOREM 3.2 The wreath product $(PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5))wr C_K$ can be generated using two permutations, the first is of order $403k$ and an involution, for all integers $K \geq 1$.

Proof :

Let $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 403k)$,

$$\tau = (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15, 16k) \\ (18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k, 39k) \\ (37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k) \\ (59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k),$$

If $k=1$, then we get the group $PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5)$ which can be considered as the trivial wreath product $PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5) wr \langle id \rangle$. Assume that $k > 1$. Let $\alpha = \prod_{i=0}^{31} \tau^{\sigma^{ik}}$, we get an element

$\delta = \alpha^{45} = (k, 2k, 3k, \dots, 403k)$. Let $G_i = \langle \delta^{\sigma^i}, \tau^{\sigma^i} \rangle$ be the groups acts on the sets $\Gamma_i = \{ i, k+i, 2k+i, \dots, 402k+i \}$, for all $1 \leq i \leq k$. Since $\bigcap_{i=1}^k \Gamma_i = \phi$, then we get the direct product $G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_k$, where, by Theorem 3.1 each $G_i \cong PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5)$. Let $\beta = \delta^{-1}\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, k)(k+1, k+2, \dots, 2k) \dots (76k+1, 76k+2, \dots, 403k)$. Let $H = \langle \beta \rangle \cong$

C_k . H conjugates G_1 into G_2 , G_2 into G_3 , ... and G_k into G_1 . Hence we get the wreath product $(PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,3))wrC_K \subseteq G$. On the other hand, since $\delta\beta = (1, 2, \dots, k, k+1, k+2, \dots, 2k, \dots, 402k+1, 402k+2, \dots, 403k) = \sigma$, then $\sigma \in (PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wrC_K$. Hence $G = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong (PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wrC_K$. \diamond

THEOREM 3.3 The wreath product $(PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wrS_K$ can be generated by using three permutations, the first is of order $403k$, the second and the third are involutions , for all $K \geq 2$.

Proof: Let $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 403k)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau = & (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15, 16k) \\ & (18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k.39k) \\ & (37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k) \\ & (59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k), \mu = (k, a)(2k, k+a)(3k, 2k+a) \\ & \dots(403k + 402k + a). \end{aligned}$$

since by theorem 3.2 $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong (PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wrC_k$ and $(1, 2, \dots, k)(k + 1, \dots, 2k) \dots (402 + 1, \dots, 403k) \in (PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wrC_K$ then $\langle (1, \dots, k)(k + 1, \dots, 2k) \dots (402k+1, \dots, 403k, \mu \rangle \cong S_k$. Hence $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle \cong (PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wrS_k$. \diamond

COROLLARY 3.4 The wreath product $(PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wrA_k$ can be generated by using three permutations, the first is of order $403k$, the second is an involution and the third is of order 3, for all odd integers $k \geq 3$.

Proof : The proof is similar to the previous one. \diamond

THEOREM 3.5 The wreath product $(PSL(3,3)wr PSL(3,5))wr(S_m wr C_a)$ can be generated by using three permutations, the first is of order $403k$, the second and the third are involutions, where $k = am$ be any integer with $1 < a < k$.

Proof : Let $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 403k)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau = & (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15, 16k) \\ & (18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k.39k) \\ & (37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k) \\ & (59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k), \mu = (k, a)(2k, k+a)(3k, 2k+a) \\ & \dots(403k + 402k + a). \end{aligned}$$

since by theorem 3.2 $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong (PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5))wr C_k$ and $(1, \dots, k)(k + 1, \dots, 2k) \dots (402 + 1, \dots, 403k) \in (PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5))wr C_K$ then $\langle (1, \dots, k)(k + 1, \dots, 2k) \dots (402k + 1, \dots, 403k), \mu \rangle \cong (S_m wr C_a)$. Hence $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle \cong (PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5))wr (S_m wr C_a)$. \diamond

THEOREM 3.6 S_{403K+1} and A_{403K+1} can be generated using the wreath product $(PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5))wr C_k$ and a transposition in S_{403K+1} for all integers $k > 1$ and an element of order 3 in A_{403K+1} for all odd integers $k > 1$.

Proof : Let $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 403k)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau = & (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15, 16k) \\ & (18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k, 39k) \\ & (37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k) \\ & (59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k), \end{aligned}$$

$\mu = (403k + 1, 1)$ and $\mu^\lambda = (1, k, 403k + 1)$ be four Permutations, of order $403k, 2, 2$ and 3 respectively.

Let $H = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$. By theorem 3.2 $H \cong (PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5))wr C_K$.

Case 1: Let $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu^\lambda \rangle$. Let $\alpha = \sigma\mu$, then $\alpha = (1, 2, \dots, 403k, 403k + 1)$ which is a cycle of order $403k + 1$. By theorem 2.6 $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle = \langle \alpha, \mu \rangle \cong S_{403K+1}$.

Case 2: Let $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu^\lambda \rangle$. By theorem 2.7 $\langle \sigma, \mu^\lambda \rangle \cong A_{403K+1}$. Since τ is an even Permutation, then $G \cong A_{403K+1}$.

THEOREM 3.7 S_{403K+1} and A_{403K+1} can be generated using the wreath product $PSL(3, 3)wr PSL(3, 5)$ and an element of order $k + 1$ in S_{403K+1} and A_{403K+1} for all integers $k \geq 1$.

Proof : Let $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle$, Where

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma = & (1, 2, 3, \dots, 403)(403(k - (k - 1)) + 1, \dots, 403(k - (k - 1)) + 403) \\ & \dots(403(k - 1) + 1, \dots, 403(k - 1) + 403), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau = & (1, 9)(2, 6)(4, 5(7, 8)(12, 20, 23, 31)(13, 17)(15, 16)(18, 19)(24, 28) \\ & (26, 27)(29, 30)(34, 42, 56, 64,)(35, 39)(37, 38)(40, 41)(45, 53)(46, 50) \\ & (48, 49)(51, 52)(57, 61)(59, 60)(62, 63)(67, 75)(68, 72)(70, 71)(73, 74) \dots \\ & (403(k - 1) + 1, 403(k - 1) + 9) \dots (403(k - 1) + 73, 403(k - 1) + 74), \end{aligned}$$

$\mu = (403, 154, \dots, 403k, 403k + 1)$, Where $k - i > 0$, be three permutations of

order $403, 4$ and $k + 1$ respectively.

Let $H = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$. Define the mapping θ as follows

$$\theta(31(k - i) + j) = j \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq 31$$

$H = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong PSL(3, 3) \text{ wr } PSL(3, 5)$. Let $\alpha = \mu\sigma$ it is easy to show that $\alpha = (1, 2, \dots, 403k, 403k + 1)$, Which is acycle of order $403k + 1$.

Let $\mu\mu = \mu^\sigma = (1, 404, \dots, 403(k - 1) + 1, 403k + 1)$ and $\beta = [\mu, \mu^\sigma] = (1, 403, 403k + 1)$. Since $\text{h.c.f}(1, 403, 403k + 1) = 1$, then by theorem 2.5 $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle \cong S_{403K+1}$ or A_{403K+1} depending on whether k is an odd or an even integer respectively. \diamond .

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