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A Generalization of G-Nilpotent Units in Commutative Group Rings to Direct Product Groups

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Keywords Direct product group, Generalization, Nilpotent, Unit **Abstract:** Let V(RG) denote the normalized unit group of the group ring RG of a group G over a ring R. The concept of G-nilpotent unit in a commutative group ring has been defined in (Danchev, 2012). In this study, some necessary and sufficient conditions for a normalized unit group in a commutative group ring of a direct product group $G \times H$ to consist only of $G \times H$ -nilpotent units have been given and especially some results which are related to groups $G \times C_3$ and $G \times C_4$ have been introduced where C_3 and C_4 are cyclic groups of orders 3 and 4 respectively. In this context, we can say that the paper extends the results in (Danchev, 2012). At the end, an open problem is served as a future work.

Değişmeli Grup Halkalarında G-Nilpotent Birimsel Elemanların Direkt Çarpım Gruplarına Bir Genellemesi

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Anahtar Kelimeler Birimsel, Direkt çarpım grubu, Genelleme, Nilpotent **Öz:** V(RG), bir *R* halkası üzerindeki bir *G* grubunun *RG* grup halkasının normalleştirilmiş birim grubunu göstersin. Değişmeli bir grup halkasındaki *G*-nilpotent birimsel kavramı (Danchev, 2012)'de tanımlanmıştır. Bu çalışmada da, bir $G \times H$ direkt çarpım grubunun değişmeli grup halkasında normallenmiş birimsel elemanlar grubunun sadece $G \times H$ -nilpotent birimsel elemanlardan oluşabilmesi için bazı gerek ve yeter şartlar verilmiştir. Ayrıca özel olarak $G \times C_3$ ve $G \times C_4$ gruplarına dair bazı sonuçlar sunulmuştur ki burada C_3 ve C_4 sırasıyla 3 ve 4 mertebeli devirli gruplardır. Bu bağlamda, makale (Danchev, 2012)'deki sonuçları genişletir diyebiliriz. Sonunda, gelecek çalışma için açık problem sunulmuştur.

1. Introduction

Let *R* be a ring and *G* be a group. Then the group ring *RG* is the set of all finite sums $\sum_{g \in G} r(g)g$ where $r(g) \in R$. The operations on the ring structure *RG* can be seen in (Sehgal, 1978; Karpilovsky, 1982; Milies & Sehgal, 2002; Görentaş, 2020) in detail. The sets of all units that are multiplicative invertible elements and normalized units which have augmentation 1 in *RG* are shown by U(RG) and V(RG) respectively (Küsmüş, 2020). Augmentation of a unit $u = \sum_{g \in G} r(g)g \in RG$ is defined as follows (Sehgal, 1978; Milies & Sehgal, 2002):

$$\varepsilon(u) = \sum_{g \in G} r(g) \tag{1}$$

Actually, one can see that $\varepsilon: RG \to R$ is a ring homomorphism with the transformation defined as in above equality. The kernel of ε is defined as follows:

$$\Delta(G) = \{ \gamma \in RG \colon \varepsilon(\gamma) = 0 \}$$
⁽²⁾

and it is generated as

$$\Delta(G) = \langle g - 1 : g \in G, g \neq 1_G \rangle \tag{3}$$

which is said to be augmentation ideal of RG (Sehgal, 1978; Milies & Sehgal, 2002).

The *p*-primary component of a group *G* is generally displayed by G_p which consists of elements of order p^k for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and so the maximal torsion part G_0 of *G* is a co-product of primary components as (Danchev, 2010 and 2012).

$$G_0 = \coprod_p G_p \tag{4}$$

All the elements of G are trivial units in V(RG) (Danchev, 2008 and 2009). An element e of a ring R is said to be idempotent if $e^2 = e$ and the set of all idempotent elements is shown by id(R) (Görentaş, 1999). Also, we know that idempotent elements in a group ring RG have been defined as (Danchev, 2010).

$$id(RG) = \langle \sum_{r_g \in id_C(R)} r_g g : g \in G \rangle$$
⁽⁵⁾

An element *a* of *R* is called by nilpotent if $a^n = 0$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For a ring *R*, N(R) is the set of all nilpotent elements in *R* and is said to be nil-radical of *R*. For an ideal $S \leq R$, I(SG; G) is a fundamental ideal and I(RG; H) is relative augmentation ideal of *RG* with respect to $H \leq G$ (Danchev, 2012). As mentioned in (Küsmüş, 2020), Danchev (2012) has defined some sets such as $inv(R) = \{p: p. 1_R \in U(R)\}, zd(R) = \{p: pr = 0, \exists r \in R \setminus \{0\}\}$ and $supp(G) = \{p: G_p \neq 1\}$. He has also defined the followings:

Definition 1.1. Let $u \in V(RG)$. Then u is said to be G-nilpotent if u = g(1 + n) for some $g \in G$ and $n \in I(N(R)G; G)$.

Definition 1.2. *V*(*RG*) is called *G*-nilpotent if

$$V(RG) = G \times \left(1 + I(N(R)G;G)\right) \tag{6}$$

Under these definitions, Danchev (2012) has formally shown that V(RG) is *G*-nilpotent if and only if V(SG) = G where S = R/N(R).

By the way, we deal with defining a novel type of units which are lifted from nilpotent elements because nilpotents are also special type elements in a group ring and we have a lot of information and motivation related to nilpotents and nil-radical of a ring in the corresponding literature. We already have some type of units which are well-known such as Bass cyclic units, bicyclic units, etc. By this reason, it is better to generate novel types of units using other type of elements in a group ring.

2. Material and Methods

In this section, we give some motivation and definitions related to the direct products of two commutative groups.

Let *G* and *H* be two commutative groups with *p*-primary and *q*-primary components G_p and H_q respectively. Utilizing maximal torsion parts of *G* and *H*, we show the maximal torsion part of the direct product $D = G \times H$ as follows:

$$D_0 = \coprod_p \coprod_q G_p \times H_q = \coprod_q G_p \times \coprod_q H_q$$
(7)

where p and q are prime integers (Küsmüş, 2019).

Due to the fact that $G_p = 1$ means that G has no p-primary component, we indicate by the notation $G_p \times H_q = 1$ that G or H has no p-primary or q-primary components respectively (Küsmüş, 2020).

$$supp_{C}(G \times H) = \{pq: G_{p} \times H_{q} \neq 1\}$$
(8)

is said to be the support of $G \times H$ (Küsmüş,2020).

Besides, we use the sets

$$zd_{\mathcal{C}}(R) = \{pq: \exists 0 \neq r \in R, pqr = 0\}$$

and

$$inv_{c}(R) = \{pq: pq. 1 \in U(R)\}$$
 (10)

are defined in (Küsmüş, 2020).

Throughout the paper, we also need the following propositions and definitions related to the ring R.

Proposition 2.1. Let R be a commutative and unital ring and N(R) be the nil-radical of R. Then (Danchev, 2012).

$$U(R/N(R)) = \{r + N(R) : r \in U(R)\}$$
(11)

Proposition 2.2. Since *R* is a commutative and unital ring (Danchev, 2012),

$$inv(R) = inv(R/N(R))$$
(12)

Definition 2.3. Let \wp be the set of all prime integers. Then (Danchev, 2012),

$$np(R) = \{ p \in \wp: \exists s \in R/N(R), ps \in N(R) \}$$
(13)

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(9)

Corollary 2.4. np(R) = zd(R/N(R)) (Danchev, 2012).

We know that a ring R has nontrivial idempotents if and only if R/N(R) has nontrivial idempotents as well. Actually, we can lift idempotent elements of a ring R from the nil-radical N(R) (Bourbaki, 1989). Hence, if the quotient ring R/N(R) has nontrivial idempotents, we can say R has so as well. Now, we can define $G \times H$ -nilpotent units since $G \times H$ is the direct product of groups G and H.

Definition 2.5. Let $u \in V(R(G \times H))$. Then u is said to be $G \times H$ -nilpotent if u = gh(1 + n) for some $g \in G, h \in H$ and $n \in I(N(R)G \times H; G \times H)$, we say $V(R(G \times H))$ is $G \times H$ -nilpotent if every units in $V(R(G \times H))$ is $G \times H$ -nilpotent.

In the next section, we investigate some necessary and sufficient conditions for the normalized unit group $V(R(G \times H))$ to has only $G \times H$ -nilpotent units.

3. Results

Firstly, we should note that $C_n = \langle x: x^n = 1 \rangle$ denotes a cyclic group with a generator x of order n throughout the section. Now, recall some definitions in (Küsmüş, 2020) such as

 $i) \, supp_C(G \times H) = \{ pq \colon G_p \times H_q \neq 1 \}$

 $ii) zd_C(R) = \{pq: \exists 0 \neq r \in R, pqr = 0\}$

 $iii) inv_C(R) = \{pq: pq. 1_R \in U(R)\}$

Theorem 3.1. $V(R(G \times H))$ is $G \times H$ -nilpotent $\Leftrightarrow R$ is indecomposable and reduced,

$$V(R/N(R)(G \times H)_0) = (G \times H)_0$$
⁽¹⁴⁾

and the followings hold:

i. $G \times H$ has only maximal torsion part or *ii*. $G \times H \neq (G \times H)_0$ and

$$supp_{\mathcal{C}}(D) \cap [inv_{\mathcal{C}}(R) \cup zd_{\mathcal{C}}(R)] = \emptyset$$
(15)

Proof. First, assume that $V(R(G \times H))$ is $G \times H$ -nilpotent and R is decomposable. Then, there exists a nontrivial $r \in id(R)$. Thus, we can generate a nontrivial unit in the unit group $V(R/N(R)(G \times H))$ such as

$$u = u(r, g, h) = 1_{R/N(R)} - \left(r + N(R)\right) + \left(r + N(R)\right)gh \in V(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H) \setminus (G \times H)$$

$$\tag{16}$$

with the inverse

$$u^{-1} = 1_{R/N(R)} + (r + N(R))(-1 + (gh)^{-1})$$
(17)

This contradicts with Prop. 6 in (Danchev, 2012). Similarly, if we assume that R has a nontrivial nilpotent element, then

$$v = 1_{\frac{R}{N(R)}} + \left(f + N(R)\right) - \left(f + N(R)\right)gh$$
⁽¹⁸⁾

is a nontrivial unit where $f \notin N(R)$. This condradiction also shows that R has to be reduced. We know that

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}D_0\right) \subseteq V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}D\right) \tag{19}$$

and also V(R/N(R)D) = D by the assumption. Therefore,

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right) = V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right) \cap G \times H = (G \times H)_0$$
(20)

and if $G \times H = (G \times H)_0$, we are done. Let us assume that $G \times H \neq (G \times H)_0$ and

$$supp_{\mathcal{C}}(G \times H) \cap inv_{\mathcal{C}}(R) \neq \emptyset$$
(21)

In this case, we obtain

$$e = \frac{1}{pq} \left(1 + gh + \dots + gh^{o(gh) - 1} \right) = e^2$$
⁽²²⁾

which is a nontrivial idempotent where $pq \in supp_C(G \times H) \cap inv_C(R)$. So we can attain a nontrivial unit as above using $e \in id(R)$ which is a contradiction. Hence,

$$supp_{\mathcal{C}}(G \times H) \cap inv_{\mathcal{C}}(R) = \emptyset$$
⁽²³⁾

On the other hand, if

$$supp_{C}(G \times H) \cap zd_{C}(R) \neq \emptyset$$
(24)

then

$$(r + N(R))(1 - g_p h_q)^{pq} = 0_{R/N(R)}$$
 (25)

where pqr = 0, $g_p \in G_p \leq G$ and $h_q \in H_q \leq H$. Thus

$$u = 1 + (r + N(R))(1 - g_p h_q)$$
(26)

is a nontrivial unit in $V(R/N(R)(G \times H))$ which is another contradiction. So it has to be realized that $supp_C(G \times H) \cap zd_C(R) = \emptyset$. Conversely, let *R* be an indecomposable and reduced ring and also

$$supp_{\mathcal{C}}(G \times H) \cap [inv_{\mathcal{C}}(R) \cup zd_{\mathcal{C}}(R)] = \emptyset$$
(27)

We have

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right) \cap (G \times H) = (G \times H)_0$$
(28)

and

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) = V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right)(G \times H)$$
⁽²⁹⁾

(May, 1976, p. 491). Extending the group epimorphism $\pi: G \times H \longrightarrow \frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}$ over the quotient ring R/N(R) to

$$\pi: R/N(R)(G \times H) \longrightarrow R/N(R)(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0})$$
(30)

we get the inclusion

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) \subseteq V(R/N(R)(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0})$$
(31)

Utilizing Lemma 4. in (May, 1976), one can notice that

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right) = \frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0} \left(1 + N\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right)^0\right)$$
(32)

Here, we denote the nilpotent elements which have augmentation 0 by $N(\frac{R}{N(R)} \left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right))^0$. On the other hand, owing to the fact that

$$1 + N\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right)^0 = \pi\left(1 + N\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right)^0\right) \subseteq \pi\left(V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right)\right)$$
(33)

we attain

$$\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0} \left(1 + N\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right)^0\right) \subseteq \pi\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\pi\left(V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right)\right)$$
(34)

and so

$$\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0} (1 + N\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right)^0) \subseteq \pi(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G \times H}{(G \times H)_0}\right)\right))$$
(35)

This means that

$$\pi(V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G\times H}{(G\times H)_0}\right)\right)) \subseteq \pi(\frac{G\times H}{(G\times H)_0}V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G\times H}{(G\times H)_0}\right)\right))$$
(36)

Since the inverse of the above inclusion is clear, one can conclude that

$$\pi\left(V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G\times H}{(G\times H)_0}\right)\right)\right) = \pi\left(\frac{G\times H}{(G\times H)_0}V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}\left(\frac{G\times H}{(G\times H)_0}\right)\right)$$
(37)

and thus the image of $V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) - (G \times H)V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right)$ under π is 0. This shows that

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) - (G \times H)V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right)$$
(38)

is in the kernel of π . We also know that

$$Ker \ \pi \subseteq V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right)$$
(39)

Then

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) \subseteq (G \times H)V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right) + V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right)$$
(40)

To sum up, we have the inclusion

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) \subseteq (G \times H)V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right)$$
(41)

As the converse of this inclusion is apparent, the equation

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) = (G \times H)V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right)$$
(42)

hold. Substituting the assumption

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)_0\right) = (G \times H)_0 \tag{43}$$

into the above equation, we have indicated that

$$V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}G \times H\right) = (G \times H) \tag{44}$$

as claimed. ■

Theorem 3.2. Let *G* and *H* be Abelian groups where |H| = 3. Then, $V(R(G \times H))$ is $G \times H$ -nilpotent if and only if

i) V(R/N(R)G) = G,

$$ii) \ 1 + 3(a^2 + b^2 + ab + a + b) \in V(\frac{R}{N(R)}) \Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in \{(0, 0), (-1, 0), (0, -1)\}$$

Proof. ⇒: Assume that $V(R(G \times H))$ has only $G \times H$ -nilpotent units. In this case, we equivalently have $V(R/N(R)(G \times H)) = G \times H$. Define a group epimorphism over $G \times H \simeq G \times \langle x: x^3 = 1 \rangle$ as

$$\chi: G \times H \longrightarrow G, \chi(g, h) = g \tag{45}$$

Extending linearly χ over group ring, we attain

$$\bar{\chi}: R/N(R)(G \times H) \longrightarrow R/N(R)G$$
 (46)

with an element $\gamma = \sum_{gh \in G \times H} (r_{gh} + N(R)) gh$ which has the image

$$\bar{\chi}(\gamma) = \sum_{gh \in G \times H} \left(r_{gh} + N(R) \right) g \tag{47}$$

Restricting $\bar{\chi}$ to the unit groups yields

$$\chi_{V}: V(R/N(R)(G \times H)) \longrightarrow V(R/N(R)G)$$
(48)

with

$$Ker \, \chi_V = V(1 + \Delta_{\frac{R}{N(R)G}}(H)) = (1 + \langle 1 - x, 1 - x^2 \rangle) \cap V(R/N(R)(G \times H))$$
(49)

Thus,

$$\frac{V(R/N(R)(G \times H))}{V(1 + \Delta_{\frac{R}{N(R)}G}(H))} \simeq V(\frac{R}{N(R)}G)$$
(50)

and we form a short exact sequence $A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{\chi_V} C$ where $A = V(1 + \Delta_{R/N(R)G}(H)), B = V(R/N(R)(G \times H))$ and C = V(R/N(R)G). Splitting $A \xrightarrow{i} B \xrightarrow{\chi_V} C$, we obtain a decomposition as $B = A \times C$. One can notice that if

$$V(R/N(R)(G \times H)) = G \times H$$
⁽⁵¹⁾

then A = H and C = V(R/N(R)G) = G. Now, we should also explore necessary and sufficient conditions to be

$$A = V(1 + \Delta_{R/N(R)G}(H)) = H$$
(52)

Actually, since

$$A = 1 + \Delta_{\frac{R}{N(R)}G}(H) \cap V\left(\frac{R}{N(R)}(G \times H)\right)$$
⁽⁵³⁾

a unit

$$u = 1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^{2}) \in \langle x : x^{3} = 1 \rangle$$
(54)

if and only if

$$uv = u[1 + c(1 - x) + d(1 - x^{2})] = 1 + (1 - x)(a + c + 2ac + bc + ad - bd) + (1 - x^{2})(b + d - ac + bc + ad + 2bd) = 1$$
(55)

for some $v = 1 + c(1 - x) + d(1 - x^2)$ where $a, b, c, d \in R/N(R)G$. Then, we can constitute a system of linear equations as

$$a + c + 2ac + bc + ad - bd = 0$$
(56)

$$b + d - ac + bc + ad + 2bd = 0$$
(57)

so its matrix equivalent $A \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -a \\ -b \end{pmatrix}$ where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2a+b & a-b\\ b-a & 1+a+2b \end{pmatrix}$$
(58)

has a unique solution $\binom{c}{d}$ if and only if A is an invertible matrix so we can onclude that

$$detA = 1 + 3(a^2 + b^2 + ab + a + b)$$
(59)

must be a unit in V(R/N(R)G) because of the formula $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{detA} adj(A)$. Hence,

$$1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^2) \in \langle x : x^3 = 1 \rangle$$
(60)

and $detA \in V(R/N(R)G)$ yields all of the following possible cases.

Case 1:

$$1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^2) = 1$$
 if and only if $(a, b) = (0, 0)$.

Case 2:

 $1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^2) = x$ if and only if (a, b) = (-1, 0).

Case 3:

 $1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^2) = x^2$ if and only if (a, b) = (0, -1).

So we get ii) in the hypothesis.

Corollary 3.3. Let *G* and *H* be Abelian groups where |H| = 3 and char R = 3. Then, $V(R(G \times H))$ has only $G \times H$ -nilpotent units if and only if

$$V(RG) = G \times (1 + I(N(R)G;G))$$
⁽⁶¹⁾

and Ker $\chi = \langle 1 - x, 1 - x^2 \rangle_S$ such that

$$S \times S = \{(0,\mu): \mu \in \mathbb{Z}_3\} \cup \{(\mu,0): \mu \in \mathbb{Z}_3\}$$
(62)

Proof. If char R = 3, det A is

$$1 + 3(a^2 + b^2 + ab + a + b) = 1_{R/N(R)}$$
(63)

So, one can clearly deduce that $V(1 + Ker \chi_V)$ is $\{1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^2): a, b \in R/N(R)G\}$ and thus $V(1 + Ker \chi_V) = H$ if and only if at least one of *a* and *b* has to be 0. This requires

$$S \times S = \{(0,\mu): \mu \in \mathbb{Z}_3\} \cup \{(\mu,0): \mu \in \mathbb{Z}_3\}$$
(64)

as claimed. ■

Theorem 3.4. Let *G* and *H* be Abelian groups with |H| = 4 which is cyclic. Then, $V(R(G \times H))$ has not only $G \times H$ -nilpotent units if and only if $V(\frac{R}{N(R)}G) \neq G$ or there exists a unit of the form

$$u(a, b, c) = (1 + 2a + 2c)(1 + 2a^{2} + 4b^{2} + 2c^{2} + 4ab + 4bc + 2a + 4b + 2c)$$
(65)

where $a, b, c \in R/N(R)G$.

Proof. Utilizing the epimorphisms in the previous theorem, we can set the same short exact sequence there. In this case, $V(R(G \times H))$ has not only $G \times H$ -nilpotent units if and only if

$$V(R/N(R)G) \neq G \tag{66}$$

or

$$V(1 + \Delta_{R/N(R)G}(H)) \neq H$$
(67)

where $H = \langle x : x^3 = 1 \rangle$. Let

$$u = 1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^{2}) + c(1 - x^{3})$$
(68)

be a unit in $V(1 + \Delta_{R/N(R)G}(H))$ with the inverse $v = 1 + d(1 - x) + e(1 - x^2) + f(1 - x^3)$. Then $V(1 + \Delta_{R/N(R)G}(H)) \neq H$ if and only if u is nontrivial and uv is

$$1 + (1 - x)\beta_1 + (1 - x^2)\beta_2 + (1 - x^3)\beta_3 = 1$$
(69)

where

$$\beta_1 = (a + d + 2ad + bd + cd + ae - ce + af - bf)$$
(70)

$$\beta_2 = (b + e - ad + bd + ae + 2be + ce + bf - cf)$$
(71)

$$\beta_3 = (c + f - bd + cd - ae + ce + af + bf + 2cf)$$
(72)

In this case, uv = 1 if and only if $M\begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -a \\ -b \\ -c \end{pmatrix}$ has a unique solution $\begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix}$ where M is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+2a+b+c & a-c & a-b \\ b-a & 1+a+2b+c & b-c \\ c-b & c-a & 1+a+b+2c \end{pmatrix}$$
(73)

Thus det M is invertible in (R/N(R))G and can be stated as

$$(1+2a+2c)(1+2a^2+4b^2+2c^2+4ab+4bc+2a+4b+2c)$$
(74)

as claimed in the theorem. \blacksquare

Corollary 3.5. Let *G* and *H* be Abelian groups with |H| = 4 which is cyclic and also *char* R = 2. Then, $V(R(G \times H))$ has not only $G \times H$ -nilpotent units if and only if $V(R/N(R)G) \neq G$ or $Ker \chi = \langle 1 - x, 1 - x^2, 1 - x^3 \rangle_T$ such that $T^3 = \{(a, b, c): a, b, c \in R/N(R)G\}$ where at least two of a, b and c is different from $0_{R/N(R)G}$.

Proof. If $V(R(G \times H))$ has not only $G \times H$ -nilpotent units and V(R/N(R)G) = G, then

$$V(1 + Ker \chi_V) \tag{75}$$

has to consist nontrivial units. As a unit $u = 1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^2) + c(1 - x^3)$ has to be different from 1, x, x^2 or x^3 . In this case, one can easily check that if only one of a, b or c is 0, u has one of the following forms:

$$u = 1 + a(1 - x) + b(1 - x^{2})$$
(76)

$$u = 1 + a(1 - x) + c(1 - x^3)$$
(77)

$$u = 1 + b(1 - x^{2}) + c(1 - x^{3})$$
(78)

Thus *u* may has a nontrivial form which is a contradiction. Hence, in order to insure that *u* has to be only $1, x, x^2$ or x^3 , we have to choose the parameters *a*, *b*, *c* as claimed.

4. Discussion and Conclusion

In this study, we have firstly defined some sets using primes related to a commutative group ring $R(G \times H)$ which is unity of Abelian groups G and H inspring from (Danchev, 2012). Later, we have determined some necessary and sufficient conditions for $V(R(G \times H))$ to be $G \times H$ -nilpotent based on our definitions such as $supp_C(G \times H)$, $zd_C(R)$ and $inv_C(R)$ in Theorem 3.1.

Li (1998) has proved that if *RG* has only trivial units, then $R(G \times C_2)$ has only trivial units as well where $R = \mathbb{Z}$. So, the results on $G \times C_2$ -nilpotency of the normalized unit group $V(R(G \times C_2))$ can be similarly obtained using his structure. In this paper, we have acquired some special necessary and sufficient conditions on $G \times H$ -nilpotency of $V(R(G \times H))$ for $H = C_3$ and $H = C_4$. As a future work, it may possible to get some results about $G \times C_n$ for a general *n*. Besides, we should note that the current paper already gives a characterization for $G_1 \times G_2 \times \cdots \otimes G_n$ since we can observe that

$$G_1 \times G_2 \times \cdots G_n = \overline{G_1} \times \overline{G_2} \tag{79}$$

where $\overline{G_1} = G_1 \times G_2 \times \cdots \oplus G_k$ and $\overline{G_2} = G_{k+1} \times G_{k+2} \times \cdots \oplus G_n$ for $1 \le k < n$. So, it is an easy implementation of this paper and can only be evaluated as an example.

As widely known, units are one of exclusive elements in group rings. In addition, defining a new type of units creates a remarkable area in the theory of group rings. Being able to attract more researchers plays a crucial role by sharing ideas and open problems.

In this context, we think that investigating necessary and sufficient conditions for

$$V(R(G \times H)) = V(RG) \times (1+I)$$
(80)

where $I = I(N(R)G \times H; G \times H)$ can be appreciated as an open problem and so a future work.

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