

## Some Remarks on the Varieties of Groups

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**Abstract** Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by a set  $V$  of laws. Let  $(N, G)$  be a pair of groups in which  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ . We define the lower and upper  $\mathcal{V}$ -marginal series of the pair  $(N, G)$  and prove some results on  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pairs of groups. Moreover, we extend some properties of the Baer-invariant and isologism of a pair of groups.

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### 1 Introduction and Preliminaries

Let  $F$  be a free group on a set  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ ,  $V$  be a non-empty subset of  $F$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by a set  $V$  of laws. For a pair of groups  $(N, G)$  in which  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ , we define

$$V(N, G) = \langle v(g_1, \dots, g_i n, \dots, g_r) v(g_1, \dots, g_r)^{-1} : v \in V, n \in N, g_i \in G, 1 \leq i \leq r \rangle,$$

and

$$V^*(N, G) = \{n \in N : v(g_1, \dots, g_i n, \dots, g_r) = v(g_1, \dots, g_r), \forall v \in V, g_i \in G, 1 \leq i \leq r\}.$$

In particular, if  $N = G$ , then  $V(N, G) = V(G)$  and  $V^*(N, G) = V^*(G)$  are ordinary verbal and marginal subgroups of  $G$  (see [5, 10, 15]).

If  $\mathcal{V}$  is the variety of nilpotent groups of class at most  $n$ , then

$$V^*(N, G) = Z_n(N, G) \quad \text{and} \quad V(N, G) = \gamma_{n+1}(N, G),$$

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where  $\gamma_1(N, G) = N$  and  $\gamma_{n+1}(N, G) = [\gamma_n(N, G), G]$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Moreover,  $Z_0(N, G) = 1$  and for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\frac{Z_n(N, G)}{Z_{n-1}(N, G)} = Z\left(\frac{N}{Z_{n-1}(N, G)}, \frac{G}{Z_{n-1}(N, G)}\right). \quad (1)$$

Let  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  be two arbitrary varieties of groups defined by the sets of laws  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively, and  $G$  a group with a free presentation

$$1 \rightarrow R \rightarrow F \rightarrow G \rightarrow 1.$$

Then, we define the Baer-invariant of  $G$  with respect to two varieties  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  as follows

$$\mathcal{W}\mathcal{V}\mathcal{M}(G) = \frac{(R \cap W(F))(R \cap V(F))}{(R \cap W(F))[RV^*F]},$$

where  $[RV^*F]$  is the least normal subgroup  $T$  say, of  $F$  contained in  $R$  so that  $R/T \subseteq V^*(F/T)$  (see [9] for more information). In this paper, we are going to generalize some results of [3, 7, 14, 15].

## 2 Some inequalities on the Baer-invariant of a pair of groups

In this section, we extend some results of [3, 14, 15]. To this end, we define the lower and the upper  $\mathcal{V}$ -marginal series of a pair  $(N, G)$ . Moreover, we prove some results on nilpotent pairs of groups with respect to a variety of groups. Also, we prove some properties on the Baer-invariant of a pair of groups.

For a pair of groups  $(N, G)$  put  $V_0(N, G) = N$  and define

$$V_i(N, G) = V(V_{i-1}(N, G), G).$$

Then

$$N = V_0(N, G) \supseteq V_1(N, G) \supseteq \dots \supseteq V_n(N, G) \supseteq \dots$$

is called the lower  $\mathcal{V}$ -marginal series of  $N$  in  $G$ . Similarly, we define the upper  $\mathcal{V}$ -marginal series of  $N$  in  $G$ , by setting

$$V_0^*(N, G) = \langle e \rangle, \quad \frac{V_i^*(N, G)}{V_{i-1}^*(N, G)} = V^*\left(\frac{N}{V_{i-1}^*(N, G)}, \frac{G}{V_{i-1}^*(N, G)}\right).$$

The pair  $(N, G)$  of groups is said to be  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair, if  $V_n(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$  for some positive integer  $n$  (see [2], section 3).

**Theorem 1** *Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a variety of groups. If  $(N, G)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair of groups and  $M$  is a non-trivial normal subgroup of  $G$  such that  $M \cap N \neq \langle e \rangle$ , then  $M \cap V^*(N, G) \neq \langle e \rangle$ .*

*Proof* Since  $(N, G)$  is  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent, then there exists a positive integer  $c$  such that  $V_c^*(N, G) = N$ . Let  $i$  be the least integer such that  $M \cap V_i^*(N, G) \neq \langle e \rangle$ . We have

$$V(M \cap V_i^*(N, G), G) \leq M \cap V_{i-1}^*(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$$

and

$$M \cap V_i^*(N, G) \leq M \cap V^*(N, G)$$

Hence,

$$M \cap V^*(N, G) = M \cap V_i^*(N, G) \neq \langle e \rangle.$$

The following corollary is an immediate result of Theorem 1.

**Corollary 1** *If  $(N, G)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair of groups with  $N \neq \langle e \rangle$ , then  $V^*(N, G) \neq \langle e \rangle$ .*

**Theorem 2** *Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a variety of groups and  $(N, G)$  be a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair of groups, then every maximal subgroup of  $G$  which does not contain  $N$ , is normal.*

*Proof* By the assumption there exists a positive integer  $c$  such that

$$V_c^*(N, G) = N,$$

thus for every maximal subgroup  $M$  of  $G$ , the following series is a subnormal series for  $M$

$$M \trianglelefteq MV^*(N, G) \trianglelefteq MV_2^*(N, G) \trianglelefteq \dots \trianglelefteq MV_c^*(N, G) = MN = G.$$

If  $c = 1$ , then  $M \trianglelefteq G$ . Since  $M$  is a maximal subgroup of  $G$ , then there exists a least positive integer  $j$  where  $MV_j^*(N, G) = G$ . Then,  $MV_{j-1}^*(N, G) = M$ , and so  $M \trianglelefteq G$ .

**Theorem 3** *Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a variety of groups. If  $(N, G)$  is a pair of groups such that  $K \leq V^*(N, G)$  and  $(N/K, G/K)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair of groups, then  $(N, G)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair.*

*Proof* Since  $(N/K, G/K)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair of groups. So, there exist a normal series as

$$1 = \frac{N_1}{K} \leq \frac{N_2}{K} \leq \dots \leq \frac{N_n}{K} = \frac{N}{K}$$

such that

$$\frac{N_{i+1}/N}{N_i/N} \leq V^* \left( \frac{N/K}{N_i/K}, \frac{G/K}{N_i/K} \right).$$

Now, we have  $N_{i+1}/N_i \leq V^*(N/N_i, G/N_i)$ . Hence, we obtain the following normal series.

$$1 = N_0 \leq N_1 \leq \dots \leq N_n = N.$$

Thus, the pair  $(N, G)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair.

**Theorem 4** *Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a variety of groups. If  $(N, G)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent pair and  $K \trianglelefteq N$  such that  $|K| = p^n$ . Then  $K \leq V_n^*(N, G)$ .*

*Proof* We prove the result by using induction. Let  $n = 1$ , then

$$\langle e \rangle \neq K \cap V^*(N, G) \leq K,$$

so  $|K \cap V^*(N, G)| = p = |K|$ , hence  $K \cap V^*(N, G) = K$  and so,  $K \leq V^*(N, G)$ . Let the result holds for every number less than  $n$  and  $M = K \cap V^*(N, G) \neq \langle e \rangle$ , then  $|K/M| = p^m$  where  $m < n$ . Now we have

$$\frac{K}{M} = \frac{K}{K \cap V^*(N, G)} \cong \frac{KV^*(N, G)}{V^*(N, G)}.$$

By induction hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{KV^*(N, G)}{V^*(N, G)} &\leq V_m^* \left( \frac{N}{V^*(N, G)}, \frac{G}{V^*(N, G)} \right) \\ &= \frac{V_{m+1}^*(N, G)}{V^*(N, G)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $K \leq V_{m+1}^*(N, G) \leq V_n^*(N, G)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  be two varieties of groups defined by the sets of laws  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively and  $G$  be a finite group in  $\mathcal{W}$  with a free presentation  $1 \rightarrow R \rightarrow F \rightarrow G \rightarrow 1$ . If  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  and  $S$  is a normal subgroup of  $F$  such that  $N \cong S/R$ , then the Baer-invariant of the pair  $(N, G)$  with respect to  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  is defined as

$$\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G) = \frac{W(F)(R \cap [SV^*F])}{W(F)[RV^*F]},$$

where  $[XV^*Y] = V(X, Y)$ . One can check that  $\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)$  is abelian and independent of the choice of the free presentation of  $G$ . In the special case where  $\mathcal{W}$  is the variety of all groups, then

$$\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G) = \mathcal{V}\mathcal{M}(N, G)$$

is the Baer-invariant of the pair  $(N, G)$  with respect to the variety  $\mathcal{V}$  (see [2, 8, 11–14] for more information).

In the following theorems we generalize some results of M.R. Rismanchian and M. Araskhan in [14].

**Theorem 5** *Let  $(N, G)$  be a pair of finite groups and  $1 \rightarrow R \rightarrow F \rightarrow G \rightarrow 1$  be a free presentation of  $G$  such that  $N \cong S/R$  for a normal subgroup  $S$  of  $F$ . If  $N$  is a subgroup  $\mathcal{V}$ -nilpotent of  $G$  of class  $c \geq 2$ , then*

- (i)  $|V_{c-1}(N, G)| |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)| = \left| \mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M} \left( \frac{N}{V_{c-1}(N, G)}, \frac{G}{V_{c-1}(N, G)} \right) \right| \left| \frac{[V_{c-1}(S, F)RV^*F]}{[RV^*F]} \right|;$   
(ii)  $d(\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)) \leq d \left( \mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M} \left( \frac{N}{V_{c-1}(N, G)}, \frac{G}{V_{c-1}(N, G)} \right) \right) + d \left( \frac{[V_{c-1}(S, F)RV^*F]}{[RV^*F]} \right);$

(iii)  $e(\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G))$  divides

$$e\left(\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}\left(\frac{N}{V_{c-1}(N, G)}, \frac{G}{V_{c-1}(N, G)}\right)\right) e\left(\frac{[V_{c-1}(S, F)RV^*F]}{[RV^*F]}\right).$$

where  $e(X)$  and  $d(X)$  are the exponent and the minimal number of generators of a group  $X$ , respectively.

*Proof* Let  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  be two varieties of groups and  $G$  be a group in the variety  $\mathcal{W}$  with two normal subgroups  $K$  and  $N$  such that  $K \subseteq N$ . Then, by Theorem 2.2 of [12], the following sequence is exact:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\rightarrow \mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(G, K) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G) \\ &\rightarrow \mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N/K, G/K) \xrightarrow{\beta} \frac{K \cap [NV^*G]}{[KV^*G]} \rightarrow 1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$|\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)| = |\text{Im}(\alpha)| \left| \frac{R \cap [V_{c-1}(S, F)RV^*F]}{[RV^*F]} \right|$$

and

$$\frac{\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N/K, G/K)}{\text{Im}(\alpha)} \cong K,$$

where  $K = V_{c-1}(N, G)$ . Hence,

$$|K| |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)| = |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}\left(\frac{N}{K}, \frac{G}{K}\right)| \left| \frac{R \cap [V_{c-1}(S, F)RV^*F]}{[RV^*F]} \right|.$$

But  $[KV^*G] = [V_{c-1}(N, G)V^*G] = V_c(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ , so

$$[V_{c-1}(S, F)RV^*F] \subseteq R.$$

This implies part (i). Similarly, we can prove (ii) and (iii).

**Theorem 6** Let  $(N, G)$  be a pair of finite groups such that  $V^*(G) \subseteq N$ . Let  $H = G/V^*(G)$  and  $L = N/V^*(G)$ . Then

$$(i) \quad |[NV^*G]| \leq |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(L, H)| \quad |[LV^*H]| \leq |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)| |[NV^*G]|;$$

$$(ii) \quad |[NV^*G]| = |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(L, H)| |[LV^*H]| \\ \iff \mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(L, H) \cong V^*(G) \cap [NV^*G];$$

$$(iii) \quad |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(L, H)| |[LV^*H]| = |\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)| |[NV^*G]| \\ \iff \frac{\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(L, H)}{\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(N, G)} \cong V^*(G) \cap [NV^*G].$$

*Proof* (i) By Theorem 2.2 of [12], we have

$$|\mathcal{WV}\mathcal{M}(L, H)| = |V^*(G) \cap [NV^*G]| |\ker \beta|.$$

On the other hand,

$$[LV^*H] = \frac{[NV^*G]V^*(G)}{V^*(G)} \cong \frac{[NV^*G]}{V^*(G) \cap [NV^*G]}.$$

So,

$$|V^*(G) \cap [NV^*G]| = \frac{|[NV^*G]|}{|[LV^*H]|}.$$

Hence,

$$|[NV^*G]| |\ker \beta| = |\mathcal{WVM}(L, H)| |[LV^*H]|.$$

This implies that

$$|[NV^*G]| \leq |\mathcal{WVM}(L, H)| |[LV^*H]|.$$

Moreover,  $|\ker \beta| = |\text{Im} \alpha| \leq |\mathcal{WVM}(N, G)|$ . Therefore,

$$|\mathcal{WVM}(L, H)| |[LV^*H]| \leq |\mathcal{WVM}(N, G)| |[NV^*G]|.$$

(ii) By considering the first part, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\ker \beta| = 1 &\iff \mathcal{WVM}(L, H) \cong V^*(G) \cap [NV^*G] \text{ and} \\ |\ker \beta| = 1 &\iff |[NV^*G]| = |\mathcal{WVM}(L, H)| |[LV^*H]|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the result holds.

(iii) By Theorem 2.2 of [12],

$$|\ker \alpha| |\mathcal{WVM}(L, H)| |[LV^*H]| = |\mathcal{WVM}(N, G)| |[NV^*G]|.$$

Also  $|\ker \alpha| = 1$  if and only if  $\frac{\mathcal{WVM}(L, H)}{\mathcal{WVM}(N, G)} \cong V^*(G) \cap [NV^*G]$ , which completes the proof.

By Theorem 6, we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 2** *Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $H = G/V^*(G)$ . Then*

- (i)  $|V(G)| \leq |\mathcal{WVM}(H)| |V(H)| \leq |\mathcal{WVM}(G)| |V(G)|$ ;
- (ii)  $|V(G)| = |\mathcal{WVM}(H)| |V(H)| \iff \mathcal{WVM}(H) \cong V^*(G) \cap V(G)$ ;
- (iii)  $|\mathcal{WVM}(H)| |V(H)| = |\mathcal{WVM}(G)| |V(G)| \iff \frac{\mathcal{WVM}(H)}{\mathcal{WVM}(G)} \cong V^*(G) \cap V(G)$ .

### 3 Isologism of pairs of groups

In this section, we survey some results on isologism of pairs of groups. The notion of isologism of a pair of groups was discussed in [4]. Indeed, we extend some results of [6, 7].

Let  $(N, G)$  and  $(M, H)$  be pairs of groups. An homomorphism from  $(N, G)$  to  $(M, H)$  is a homomorphism  $f : G \rightarrow H$  such that  $f(N) \subseteq M$ . We say that  $(N, G)$  and  $(M, H)$  are isomorphic and write  $(N, G) \simeq (M, H)$ , if  $f$  is an isomorphism and  $f(N) = M$ .

**Definition 1** Let  $(N, G)$  and  $(M, H)$  be two pairs of groups and  $\mathcal{V}$  be a variety of groups defined by the set of laws  $V$ . An  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism between  $(N, G)$  and  $(M, H)$  is a pair of isomorphism  $(\alpha, \beta)$  with  $\alpha : G/V^*(N, G) \rightarrow H/V^*(M, H)$  and  $\beta : V(N, G) \rightarrow V(M, H)$ , such that  $\alpha(N/V^*(N, G)) = M/V^*(M, H)$  and for every  $v \in V$ ,  $n \in N$  and  $g_1, \dots, g_r \in G$

$$\beta(v(g_1, \dots, g_i n, \dots, g_r)v(g_1, \dots, g_r)^{-1}) = v(h_1, \dots, h_i m, \dots, h_r)v(h_1, \dots, h_r)^{-1},$$

whenever,  $h_i \in \alpha(g_i V^*(N, G))$  and  $m \in \alpha(n V^*(N, G))$ . We say that  $(N, G)$  and  $(M, H)$  are  $v$ -isologic, if there exists an  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism between them. In this case we write  $(N, G) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (M, H)$ .

If  $\mathcal{V}$  is the variety of abelian groups or nilpotent groups of class at most  $n$ , then  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism coincides with isoclinism and  $n$ -isoclinism between pairs of groups. In addition, if  $N = G$  and  $M = H$ , then  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism between two pairs of groups is an  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism between  $G$  and  $H$ .

The following Lemma is proved by the authors in ([4], Lemma 5).

**Lemma 1** *Let  $(N, G)$  be a pair of groups. If  $M$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  with  $M \leq N$  and  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , then*

- (a)  $(H \cap N, H) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} ((H \cap N)V^*(N, G), HV^*(N, G))$ . In particular if  $G = HV^*(N, G)$ , then  $(H \cap N, H) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (N, G)$ . Conversely, if  $\frac{H}{V^*(H \cap N, H)}$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on normal subgroups and  $(H \cap N, H) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (N, G)$ , then  $G = HV^*(N, G)$ ;
- (b)  $(N/M, G/M) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (N/M \cap V(N, G), G/M \cap V(N, G))$ . In particular if  $M \cap V(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ , then  $(N, G) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (\frac{N}{M}, \frac{G}{M})$ . Conversely, if  $V(N, G)$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on normal subgroups and  $(N, G) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (\frac{N}{M}, \frac{G}{M})$ , then  $M \cap V(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ .

A pair of groups  $(N, G)$  is said to be  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect, if  $N = V(N, G)$ .

The following results give the connections between  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect and  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism of pairs of groups.

**Corollary 3** *Let  $(N, G)$  be a  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect pair of groups such that  $V^*(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ . Then any  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologic  $(K, H)$  to  $(N, G)$  is isomorphic to the direct product of  $N$  by the marginal subgroup of  $(K, H)$ .*

*Proof* By the assumption, we have

$$K/V^*(K, H) \cong N/V^*(N, G) \cong V \sim_{\mathcal{V}} K$$

Now, by Lemma 1, we obtain

$$K = V(K, H)V^*(K, H) \quad \text{and} \quad V^*(K, H) \cap V(K, H) = \langle e \rangle$$

Thus,  $K \cong N \times V^*(K, H)$ .

**Corollary 4** *Let  $(N, G)$  be a pair of finite groups. If  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  such that  $H \subseteq N$  and the pair  $(H, N)$  is  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect. Also, let  $(H, N) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (N, G)$ , then  $N = V(N, G)V^*(N, G)$ .*

*Proof* By Lemma 1, we have  $N = HV^*(N, G)$ . On the other hand,  $H = V(H, N)$ . Therefore,  $N = V(N, G)V^*(N, G)$ .

**Corollary 5** *Let  $(N, G)$  be a  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect pair of groups. Then  $(N, G)$  can not be  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologic to any pair of groups  $(H, N)$ , in which  $H$  is a proper subgroup of  $G$  such that  $H \subseteq N$  or factor pair of groups of itself.*

*Proof* If  $H$  is a proper subgroup of  $G$  such that  $H \subseteq N$  and  $(N, G) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (H, N)$ , then by using Lemma 1, we have  $H \cap V(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ . Therefore,  $H = \langle e \rangle$ .

**Corollary 6** *Let  $(N, G)$  and  $(K, H)$  be two pairs of groups such that  $|N| = |K|$  and  $(K, H) \sim_{\mathcal{V}} (N, G)$ . If  $(N, G)$  is  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect or  $V^*(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ , then  $(N, G) \cong (K, H)$ .*

*Proof* By the definition of isologism, there are isomorphisms

$$\alpha : \frac{N}{V^*(N, G)} \rightarrow \frac{K}{V^*(K, H)} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta : V(N, G) \rightarrow V(K, H).$$

Now, if  $N = V(N, G)$ , then  $|N| = |V(K, H)|$  since  $|N| = |K|$ , it implies that  $K = V(K, H)$  and hence,  $(N, G) \cong (K, H)$ . If  $V^*(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ , then the result holds.

**Definition 2** *Let  $(N, G)$  be a pair of groups. If  $G$  contains no proper subgroup  $H$  satisfying  $G = HV^*(N, G)$ , then  $(N, G)$  is called *subgroup irreducible with respect to  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism*. If the group  $G$  contains no normal subgroup  $M$  with  $N \cap M \neq \langle e \rangle$  and  $M \cap V(N, G) = \langle e \rangle$ , then  $(N, G)$  is called *quotient irreducible with respect to  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologism*.*

**Lemma 2** *If  $(N, G)$  is a  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect pair of groups. Then  $(N, G)$  is subgroup and quotient irreducible pair of groups.*

*Proof* Assume that  $(N, G)$  be a  $\mathcal{V}$ -perfect pair of groups and  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  such that  $N = HV^*(N, G)$ . Thus, we have  $V(N, G) = V(H, N)$ . So,  $H = N$ . Now, we can see that  $(N, G)$  is quotient irreducible pair of groups.

**Theorem 7** *Let  $(N_1, G_1)$  and  $(N_2, G_2)$  be two  $\mathcal{V}$ -isologic pairs of groups. If  $(N_1, G_1)$  is subgroup and quotient irreducible pair of groups, then so is  $(N_2, G_2)$ .*

*Proof* Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of  $G_1$  such that  $H \subseteq N_1$  and  $H \cap V(N_1, G_1) = \langle e \rangle$ . Then, we have

$$H \subseteq V^*(N_1, G_1) \quad \text{and} \quad V^*(N_1/H, G_1/H) = \frac{V^*(N_1, G_1)}{H}.$$

Now, assume that

$$N_2 = N_1/H = K/HV^*(N_1/H, G_1/H) = \frac{K}{H} \cdot \frac{V^*(N_1, G_1)}{H}.$$

So,  $N_1 = KV^*(N_1, G_1)$ , which implies that  $N_1 = K$  and hence  $N_2 \cong N_1/H = K/H$ . Thus, the result holds when  $N_1$  is assumed to be quotient irreducible pair of groups.



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