

ON FINITE GROUPS OF ORDER  $2^3pq$ 

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## Abstract

Zhang Yuanda has determined the groups of order  $2^3p^2$  ( $p$  is an odd prime  $\neq 3, 7$ )<sup>[1]</sup>. Now this paper is to determine the structures of groups of order  $2^3pq$  ( $p, q$  are odd primes and  $p < q$ ).

Let  $G$  be a finite group of order  $|G| = 2^3pq$ , and let  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  denote respectively the Sylow 2-,  $p$ -, and  $q$ -subgroups of  $G$ .

§ 1.  $G$  has Sylow-tower

Since the Sylow 2-subgroups  $O$  possess 5 possibilities:

- I.  $O = Z_8$  (cyclic group of order 8);
- II.  $O = Z_4 \times Z_2$  (abelian group of order 8 of type  $[2^2, 2]$ );
- III.  $O = E_8$  (elementary abelian);
- IV.  $O = D_8$  (dihedral group);
- V.  $O = Q_8$  (quaternion group).

we shall discuss  $G$  according to these five cases.

$G$  having sylow-tower implies that the Hall  $(p, q)$ -subgroup  $PQ \triangleleft G$ , thus  $G = O[PQ]$ —the semi-direct product of  $PQ$  by  $O$ . It is known that  $PQ = Z_{pq}$  (cyclic of order  $pq$ ) when  $p \nmid (q-1)$ ; and either  $PQ = Z_{pq}$  or  $PQ = \langle a, b \rangle$ ,  $a^q = b^p = 1$ ,  $b^{-1}ab = a^h$ , where  $h^p \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$  and  $h \not\equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , when  $p \mid (q-1)$ .

I.  $O = Z_8$

I. 1)  $p \nmid (q-1)$ .

Now  $G = Z_8[Z_{pq}] = \langle x, y \rangle$ ,  $x^{pq} = y^8 = 1$ ,  $x^y = x^r$ ; thence  $r^8 \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$ . Since  $(p, q) = 1$ , there exists  $k$  so that  $kp \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ . We choose  $r_1, r_2, s_1, s_2$  such that  $r_1^2 \equiv -1$ ,  $r_2^2 \equiv r_1 \pmod{p}$ ;  $s_1^2 \equiv -1$ ,  $s_2^2 \equiv s_1 \pmod{q}$ . Now  $r^8 \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$  has the following possible solutions:  $r \equiv r_2^i + k_p(s_2^j - r_2^i) \pmod{pq}$ ,  $i, j = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$ . It has 4 solutions,  $i, j = 0, 4$ , when  $2^2 \nmid (q-1)$ ,  $(p-1)$ ; 8 solutions,  $i = 0, 2, 4, 6$ ,  $j = 0, 4$ , when  $2^2 \mid (q-1)$ ,  $2^2 \nmid (p-1)$ ; 16 solutions,  $0 \leq i \leq 7$ ,  $j = 0, 4$ , when  $2^2 \mid (q-1)$ ,

$2^3 \mid (p-1)$ ; 8 solutions  $i=0, 4, j=0, 2, 4, 6$ , when  $2^2 \parallel (q-1), 2^2 \nmid (p-1)$ ; 16 solutions,  $i, j=0, 2, 4, 6$ , when  $2^2 \parallel (q-1), (p-1)$ ; 32 solutions,  $0 \leq i \leq 7, j=0, 2, 4, 6$ , when  $2^2 \parallel (q-1), 2^3 \mid (p-1)$ ; 16 solutions,  $i=0, 4, 0 \leq j \leq 7$ , when  $2^3 \mid (q-1), 2^2 \nmid (p-1)$ ; 32 solutions,  $i=0, 2, 4, 6, 0 \leq j \leq 7$ , when  $2^3 \mid (q-1), 2^2 \parallel (p-1)$ ; 64 solutions,  $0 \leq i, j \leq 7$  when  $2^3 \mid (q-1), (p-1)$ .

If  $i=1, 3, 5, 7$ , by means of  $i^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  we find that

$$[r_2^i + kp(s_2^i - r_2^i)]^t \equiv r_2 + kp(s_2^i - r_2), \quad [r_1^i + kp(s_1^i - r_1^i)]^t \equiv r_1 + kp(s_1^i - r_1),$$

$$[r_1^i + kp(s_1^i - r_1^i)]^t \equiv r_1 + kp(s_1^i - r_1), \quad [\pm 1 + kp(s_1^i \mp 1)]^t \equiv \pm 1 + kp(s_1 \mp 1) \pmod{pq}.$$

Thus replacing  $y$  by  $y^t$ , we find that the group structures of  $G$  have 22 types, say

$G = \langle x, y \rangle, x^{pa} = y^8 = 1$ , but

- (i)  $x^y = x$ ; (ii)  $x^y = x^{-1}$ ; (iii)  $x^y = x^{1-2kp}$ ; (iv)  $x^y = x^{2kp-1}$ ; (v)  $x^y = x^{r_1+kp(1-r_1)}$ ;  
 (vi)  $x^y = x^{r_1-kp(1+r_1)}$ ; (vii)  $x^y = x^{r_2+kp(1-r_2)}$ ; (viii)  $x^y = x^{r_2-kp(1+r_2)}$ ; (ix)  $x^y = x^{kp(s_1-1)+1}$ ;  
 (x)  $x^y = x^{kp(s_1+1)-1}$ ; (xi)  $x^y = x^{r_1+kp(s_1-r_1)}$ ; (xii)  $x^y = x^{r_1+kp(s_1^i-r_1)}$ ; (xiii)  $x^y = x^{r_2+kp(s_2-r_2)}$ ;  
 (xiv)  $x^y = x^{r_2+kp(s_2^i-r_2)}$ ; (xv)  $x^y = x^{1+kp(s_2-1)}$ ; (xvi)  $x^y = x^{kp(s_2+1)-1}$ ; (xvii)  $x^y = x^{r_1+kp(s_2-r_1)}$ ;  
 (xviii)  $x^y = x^{r_1+kp(s_2^i-r_1)}$ ; (xix)  $x^y = x^{r_2+kp(s_2-r_2)}$ ; (xx)  $x^y = x^{r_2+kp(s_2^i-r_2)}$ ;  
 (xxi)  $x^y = x^{r_2+kp(s_2^i-r_2)}$ ; (xxii)  $x^y = x^{r_2+kp(s_2^i-r_2)}$ .

Now we shall show that the 22 types mentioned above are non-isomorphic with one another in the following:

On the contrary, if we put  $G_1 = \langle x, y \rangle, x^{pa} = 1 = y^8, x^y = x^{r_1+kp(s_1^i-r_1)}$ , and  $G_2 = \langle a, b \rangle, a^{pa} = 1 = b^8, a^b = a^{r_2+kp(s_2^i-r_2)}$  and  $(i, j) \neq (i', j')$ , then  $G_1 \simeq G_2$  means that there exists an isomorphic mapping  $\sigma$  from  $G_1$  onto  $G_2$ , hence letting  $\sigma(x) = a_1, \sigma(y) = b_1$ , we have  $a_1, b_1 \in G_2$  and in fact  $a_1 = a^\lambda, b_1 = a^\mu b^\nu$  such that  $(\lambda, pq) = 1, (2, \nu) = 1$ , consequently  $x^y = x^{r_1+kp(s_1^i-r_1)}$  implies  $a_1^{r_1+kp(s_1^i-r_1)} = a_1^{b_1} = (a^\lambda)^{a^\mu b^\nu} = b^{-\nu} a^\lambda b^\nu = a^{\lambda[r_1+kp(s_1^i-r_1)]^\nu} = a_1^{[r_1+kp(s_1^i-r_1)]^\nu}$ , thus  $r_1^i + kp(s_1^i - r_1^i) \equiv [r_1^i + kp(s_1^i - r_1^i)]^\nu \pmod{pq}$ , which is equivalent to  $r_1^i \equiv r_1^{i'\nu} \pmod{p}$  and  $s_1^i \equiv s_1^{i'\nu} \pmod{q}$ . It follows that  $i \equiv i'\nu \pmod{8}$  and  $j \equiv j'\nu \pmod{8}$ . But  $(i, j)$  is one of the forms  $(0, 0), (4, 0), (0, 4), (4, 4), (2, 0), (2, 4), (1, 0), (1, 4), (0, 2), (4, 2), (2, 2), (2, 6), (1, 2), (1, 6), (0, 1), (4, 1), (2, 1), (6, 1), (1, 1), (1, 3), (1, 5), (1, 7)$ , so is  $(i', j')$ . Thus the congruences  $i \equiv i'\nu, j \equiv j'\nu \pmod{8}$  hold if and only if  $i = i', j = j'$ , contradiction to  $(i, j) \neq (i', j')$ .

I. 2)  $p \mid (q-1)$ .

Now  $G = Z_8[Z_{pq}]$  or  $Z_8(Z_p[Z_q])$ . If  $G = Z_8[Z_{pq}]$ , then the group structures of  $G$  are the same as we have discussed in I. 1). Therefore we now need only to consider  $G = Z_8(Z_p[Z_q])$ , i. e.  $G = \langle a, b, c \rangle, a^8 = b^p = c^8 = 1, a^b = a^h, h^p \equiv 1 \pmod{q}, h \not\equiv 1 \pmod{q}, a^c \in \langle a, b \rangle, b^c \in \langle a, b \rangle$ . Since  $G$  has Sylow-tower, hence  $P \triangleleft OP$ , consequently we cannot help to have  $a^c = a^r, b^c = b^s$ . Thus  $a^{rhs} = (a^r)^{b^s} = (a^c)^{b^s} = a^{bc} = a^{hr}$  implies

$$r h^s \equiv h r \pmod{q} \Rightarrow h^s \equiv h \pmod{q}$$

$$(\because (r, q) = 1) \Rightarrow s \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow b^c = b.$$

$$\text{Again } a = a^{c^8} = a^{r^8} \text{ implies } r^8 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}.$$

There are at most 8 solutions:  $r \equiv s_i^2 \pmod{q}$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq 7$ . It has 2 solutions,  $i=0, 4$ , when  $2^2 \nmid (q-1)$ ; 4 solutions,  $i=0, 2, 4, 6$ , when  $2^2 \parallel (q-1)$ ; It has 8 solutions,  $0 \leq i \leq 7$ , when  $2^3 \mid (q-1)$ . Thus replacing  $c$  by  $c^i$  as I. 1), we find that the group structures of  $G$  have 4 types, say  $G = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ ,  $a^q = b^p = c^8 = 1 = [b, c]$ ,  $a^b = a^h$ ,

$$(xxiii) a^c = a; \quad (xxiv) a^c = a^{-1}; \quad (xxv) a^c = a^{s_1}; \quad (xxvi) a^c = a^{s_2}.$$

Their centers are  $\langle c \rangle$ , cyclic of order 8;  $\langle c^2 \rangle$ , cyclic of order 4;  $\langle c^4 \rangle$ , cyclic of order 2; and 1, identity for (xxiii); (xxiv); (xxv); (xxvi) respectively. So no two of these groups are isomorphic.

If we set  $x = a$ ,  $y = bc$ . Then  $G = \langle x, y \rangle$ ,  $x^q = y^{8p} = 1$ , and (xxiii)  $x^y = x^h$ ; (xxiv)  $x^y = x^{-h}$ ; (xxv)  $x^y = x^{s_1 h}$ ; (xxvi)  $x^y = x^{s_2 h}$ .

II.  $O = Z_4 \times Z_2$

II. 1)  $p \nmid (q-1)$ .

Now  $G = (Z_4 \times Z_2)[Z_{pq}] = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ ,  $a^{pq} = b^4 = c^2 = 1 = [b, c]$ ,  $a^b = a^r$ ,  $a^c = a^s$ , so that

$$r^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{pq} \quad \text{and} \quad s^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}. \quad (1)$$

There are at most 64 solutions for the system of congruences (1)

$$r \equiv r_1^i + kp(s_1^j - r_1^i), \quad 0 \leq i, j \leq 3, \quad s \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \pmod{pq}.$$

It has 16 sets of solutions,  $\begin{cases} r \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \\ s \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \end{cases} \pmod{pq}$ , when  $2^2 \nmid (q-1)$ ,  $2^2 \nmid (p-1)$ ;

It has 32 sets of solutions,  $\begin{cases} r \equiv r_1^i + kp(s_1^j - r_1^i) \\ s \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \end{cases} \pmod{pq}$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq 3$ ,  $j=0, 2$ , when

$2^2 \nmid (q-1)$ ,  $2^2 \mid (p-1)$ ; It has 32 sets of solutions,

$$\begin{cases} r \equiv r_1^i + kp(s_1^j - r_1^i) \\ s \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \end{cases} \pmod{pq}, \quad i=0, 2, j=0, 1, 2, 3,$$

when  $2^2 \mid (q-1)$ ,  $2^2 \nmid (p-1)$ ; It has 64 sets of solutions,

$$\begin{cases} r \equiv r_1^i + kp(s_1^j - r_1^i) \\ s \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \end{cases} \pmod{pq}, \quad 0 \leq i, j \leq 3.$$

when  $2^2 \mid (q-1)$ ,  $(p-1)$ .

If  $i$  is odd, then  $i^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , and therefore  $[r_1^i + kp(s_1^j - r_1^i)]^i \equiv r_1 + kp(s_1^j - r_1)$ ,  $[\pm 1 + kp(s_1^j \mp 1)]^i \equiv \pm 1 + kp(s_1 \mp 1) \pmod{pq}$ . On the other hand,  $(1-2kp)^2 \equiv 1$ ,  $(1-2kp)[r_1 + kp(s_1^j - r_1)] \equiv r_1 + kp(s_1^{j+2} - r_1) \equiv r_1 - kp(s_1^j + r_1) \pmod{pq}$ , and

$$[r_1^i + kp(s_1^j - r_1^i)]^2 \equiv (-1)^i + kp[(-1)^j - (-1)^i] \pmod{pq}.$$

Thus replacing  $b$  by  $b^i$ ,  $bc$ , or  $b^i c$ , and  $c$  by  $b^2 c$ , we find that the group structures of  $G$  have 19 types, say  $G = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ ,  $a^{pq} = b^4 = c^2 = 1 = [b, c]$ , but

$$(i) a^b = a^c = a, G \simeq Z_{4pq} \times Z_2, Z(G) = G;$$

$$(ii) a^b = a, a^c = a^{-1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle b \rangle \simeq Z_4;$$

$$(iii) a^b = a^{-1}, a^c = a, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle b^2, c \rangle \simeq E_4;$$

$$(iv) a^b = a^{1-2kp}, a^c = a, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle a^2, b^2, c \rangle = E_{4p};$$

$$(v) a^b = a^{2kp-1}, a^c = a, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle a^p, b^2, c \rangle = E_{4q};$$

- (vi)  $a^b = a^{1-2kp}$ ,  $a^c = a^{-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle b^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (vii)  $a^b = a$ ,  $a^c = a^{1-2kp}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^q, b \rangle \simeq Z_{4q}$ ;  
 (viii)  $a^b = a$ ,  $a^c = a^{2kp-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^p b \rangle \simeq Z_{4q}$ ;  
 (ix)  $a^b = a^{-1}$ ,  $a^c = a^{2kp-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle b^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (x)  $a^b = a^{-1}$ ,  $a^c = a^{1-2kp}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle b^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (xi)  $a^b = a^{r_1+kp(1-r_1)}$ ,  $a^c = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^p c \rangle \simeq Z_{2q}$ ;  
 (xii)  $a^b = a^{r_1+kp(1-r_1)}$ ,  $a^c = a^{-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = 1$ ;  
 (xiii)  $a^b = a^{r_1-kp(1+r_1)}$ ,  $a^c = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle c \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (xiv)  $a^b = a^{1+kp(s_1-1)}$ ,  $a^c = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^q c \rangle \simeq Z_{2p}$ ;  
 (xv)  $a^b = a^{1+kp(s_1-1)}$ ,  $a^c = a^{-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = 1$ ;  
 (xvi)  $a^b = a^{kp(s_1+1)-1}$ ,  $a^c = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle c \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (xvii)  $a^b = a^{r_1+kp(s_1-r_1)}$ ,  $a^c = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle c \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (xviii)  $a^b = a^{r_1-kp(s_1+r_1)}$ ,  $a^c = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle c \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (xix)  $a^b = a^{r_1+kp(s_1-r_1)}$ ,  $a^c = a^{1-2kp}$ , with  $Z(G) = 1$ .

Looking at the centers, we must show that the 7 types (vi), (ix), (x), (xiii), (xvi), (xvii), (xviii) are non-isomorphic with one another, and also that the 3 types (xii), (xv), (xix) are also non-isomorphic with one another.

By counting the number of elements of order 2 and 4 in each group mentioned in the last paragraph, we obtain the following two tables:

Table 1

order	type						
	(vi)	(ix)	(x)	(xiii)	(xvi)	(xvii)	(xviii)
	Number of elements						
2	$2pq+1$	$2p+1$	$2q+1$	$2p+1$	$2q+1$	$2pq+1$	$2pq+1$
4	$2(p+q)$	$2q(p+1)$	$2p(q+1)$	$4pq$	$4pq$	$4pq$	$4pq$

Table 2

order	type		
	(xii)	(xv)	(xix)
	Number of elements		
2	$pq+p+q$	$pq+p+q$	$pq+p+q$
4	$2(pq+p+1)$	$2(pq+q+1)$	$2(2pq+1)$

Thus it remains only to show that (xvii) is not isomorphic to (xviii) from the tables 1 and 2.

Let  $G_1 = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ ,  $x^{pq} = y^4 = z^2 = 1 = [y, z]$ ,  $x^y = x^{r_1+kp(s_1-r_1)}$ ,  $x^z = x$  for the type (xvii) and  $G_2 = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ ,  $a^{pq} = b^4 = c^2 = 1 = [b, c]$ ,  $a^b = a^{r_1-kp(s_1+r_1)}$ ,  $a^c = a$  for the type

(xviii). If, otherwise,  $G_1 \simeq G_2$ , then let  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  be respectively the images of  $x, y, z$  of  $G_1$  into  $G_2$ , we must have  $a_1 = a^\alpha$ ,  $(\alpha, pq) = 1$ ,  $b_1 = a^\beta b^\gamma c^\delta$ ,  $(\gamma, 4) = 1$ , consequently  $a_1^{kp(s_1-r_1)+r_1} = a_1^{b_1} = c^{-\delta} b^{-\gamma} a^\alpha b^\gamma c^\delta = a^{\alpha[r_1-kp(s_1+r_1)]^\gamma} = a_1^{[r_1-kp(s_1+r_1)]^\gamma}$  which implies that  $r_1 \equiv r_1^\gamma \pmod{p}$  and  $s_1 \equiv (-1)^\gamma s_1 \pmod{q}$ , so that  $\gamma \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $s_1 \equiv -s_1 \pmod{q}$ , i. e.  $s_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{q}$ . It is impossible. Therefore the 19 groups (i)–(xix) are distinct from, one another.

II. 2)  $p \mid (q-1)$ .

Now either  $G = (Z_4 \times Z_2)[Z_{pq}]$  or  $G = (Z_4 \times Z_2)[Z_p[Z_q]]$ . If  $G = (Z_4 \times Z_2)[Z_{pq}]$ , then  $G$  has at most 19 types (i)–(xix) as we have discussed in II. 1). Thus we need only to consider  $G = (Z_4 \times Z_2)[Z_p[Z_q]]$ , i. e.

$G = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle$ ,  $a^q = b^p = c^4 = d^2 = 1 = [c, d]$ ,  $a^b = a^h$ ,  $h^p \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ ,  $h \not\equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , and it is easy to know that  $a^c = a^r$ ,  $a^d = a^s$ ,  $b^c = b^u$ ,  $b^d = b^v$  just as we have done in I. 2) Consequently  $r^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ ,  $u^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $s^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ ,  $v^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . Hence  $a^{hu} = a^{b^u} = a^{b^c} = (a^{r^3})^{b^c} = a^{hr^3} = a^h \Rightarrow h^u \equiv h \pmod{q} \Rightarrow u \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , similarly  $v \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , thus  $[b, c] = 1 = [b, d]$ . Therefore only  $r$  and  $s$  are to be determined, where

$$r^4 \equiv 1 \equiv s^2 \pmod{q}. \quad (2)$$

There are at most 8 sets of solutions for the system of congruences (2):

$$r \equiv \pm 1, \pm s_1 \pmod{q}, \quad s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}.$$

It has 4 sets of solutions,  $r \equiv \pm 1, s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$  when  $2^2 \nmid (q-1)$ ; it has 8 sets of solutions,  $r \equiv \pm 1, \pm s_1; s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$  when  $2^2 \mid (q-1)$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} O &= \langle c \rangle \times \langle d \rangle = \langle c^3 \rangle \times \langle d \rangle = \langle cd \rangle \times \langle d \rangle = \langle c^3 d \rangle \times \langle d \rangle = \langle c \rangle \times \langle c^2 d \rangle \\ &= \langle c^3 \rangle \times \langle c^2 d \rangle = \langle cd \rangle \times \langle c^2 d \rangle = \langle c^3 d \rangle \times \langle c^2 d \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

hence by suitably choosing  $c$  and  $d$  we find that the groups have 4 types, i. e.

$$G = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle, \quad a^q = b^p = c^4 = d^2 = 1 = [b, c] = [b, d] = [c, d], \quad a^b = a^h,$$

but

$$(xx) \quad a^c = a = a^d, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle c, d \rangle \simeq Z_4 \times Z_2;$$

$$(xxi) \quad a^c = a, \quad a^d = a^{-1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle c \rangle \simeq Z_4;$$

$$(xxii) \quad a^c = a^{-1}, \quad a^d = a, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle c^2, d \rangle \simeq E_4;$$

$$(xxiii) \quad a^c = a^{s_1}, \quad a^d = a, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle d \rangle \simeq Z_2. \text{ (Now it is necessary that } q \equiv 1$$

$\pmod{4}$ .)

III.  $O = E_8$ .

III. 1)  $p \nmid (q-1)$ .

Now  $G = E_8[Z_{pq}] = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle$ ,  $a^{pq} = b^2 = c^2 = d^2 = 1 = [b, c] = [b, d] = [c, d]$ ,  $a^b = a^r$ ,  $a^c = a^s$ ,  $a^d = a^t$  so that  $r^2 \equiv s^2 \equiv t^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$ . Consequently  $r, s, t \equiv \pm 1, \pm (1-2kp) \pmod{pq}$  which gives us 64 sets  $(r, s, t)$ ; but in view of  $b, c, d$  situated symmetrically in  $G$  and by suitably choosing  $b, c, d$ , we find that the associated group structures have only 5 types, i. e.

$$G = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle, a^{pq} = b^2 = c^2 = d^2 = 1 = [b, c] = [b, d] = [c, d]$$

but

- (i)  $a^b = a^c = a^d = a, Z(G) = G \simeq Z_{pq} \times E_8;$
- (ii)  $a^b = a^c = a, a^d = a^{-1}, Z(G) = \langle b, c \rangle \simeq E_4;$
- (iii)  $a^b = a^c = a, a^d = a^{1-2kp}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle a^q, b, c \rangle \simeq Z_p \times E_4;$
- (iv)  $a^b = a^c = a, a^d = a^{2kp-1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle a^p, b, c \rangle \simeq Z_q \times E_4;$
- (v)  $a^b = a, a^c = a^{-1}, a^d = a^{1-2kp}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle b \rangle \simeq Z_2.$

### III. 2) $p \mid (q-1)$

Now the group structures except those mentioned in III. 1) are of the forms such as

$$G = E_8[Z_p[Z_q]] = \langle a, b, x, y, z \rangle, a^q = b^p = x^2 = y^2 = z^2 = 1 = [x, y] \\ = [x, z] = [y, z], a^b = a^h,$$

with more relations  $a^x = a^r, a^y = a^s, a^z = a^t, b^x = b^u, b^y = b^v, b^z = b^w$ ; henceforth

$$a^{h^u} = a^{b^v} = a^{b^w} = a^{r^2h} = a^h$$

implies  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , similarly  $v \equiv 1 \equiv w \pmod{p}$ , i. e.  $[x, b] = [y, b] = [z, b] = 1$ . Consequently it only needs to determine  $r, s, t$  so that  $r^2 \equiv s^2 \equiv t^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , thus  $r, s, t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$  which give us 8 sets  $(r, s, t)$ , therefore in view of  $x, y, z$  situating symmetrically in  $G$  and

$$E_8 = \langle x \rangle \times \langle y \rangle \times \langle z \rangle = \langle x \rangle \times \langle yz \rangle \times \langle z \rangle = \langle xz \rangle \times \langle yz \rangle \times \langle z \rangle,$$

we have only 2 distinct types  $G$  of groups, say

- (vi)  $G = \langle a, b, x, y, z \rangle, a^p = b^q = x^2 = y^2 = z^2 = 1 = [x, b] = [y, b] = [z, b] = [x, y] \\ = [x, z] = [y, z] = [a, x] = [a, y] = [a, z], a^b = a^h, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle x, y, z \rangle \simeq E_8;$
- (vii)  $G = \langle a, b, x, y, z \rangle, a^q = b^p = x^2 = y^2 = z^2 = 1 = [x, b] = [y, b] = [z, b] = [x, y] \\ = [x, z] = [y, z] = [a, x] = [a, y], a^b = a^h, a^z = a^{-1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle x, y \rangle \simeq E_4,$

### IV. $O = D_8$

#### IV. 1) $p \nmid (q-1)$ .

Now  $G = D_8[Z_{pq}] = \langle a, x, y \rangle, a^{pq} = x^4 = y^2 = 1, x^y = x^{-1}, a^x = a^r, a^y = a^s$ ; of course,

$r^4 \equiv 1 \equiv s^2 \pmod{pq}$ . However,  $a^r = a^{x^2} = a^{x^y} = (a^s)^{xy} = a^{rs^2}$  implies

$$r^3 \equiv rs^2 \pmod{pq} \Rightarrow r^2 \equiv s^2 \pmod{pq},$$

consequently  $r \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp); s \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \pmod{pq}$  which gives us 16 sets of  $(r, s)$  by forming all combinations of  $r$  and  $s$ . But

$$O = D_8 = \langle x, y \rangle = \langle x^3, y \rangle = \langle x, x^2y \rangle = \langle x^3, x^2y \rangle = \langle x, xy \rangle \\ = \langle x^3, xy \rangle = \langle x, x^3y \rangle = \langle x^3, x^3y \rangle$$

shows us that the 16 sets of  $(r, s)$  only determine 10 types of  $G$ , i. e.

$$G = \langle a, x, y \rangle, a^{pq} = x^4 = y^2 = 1, x^y = x^{-1},$$

but

- (i)  $a^x = a^y = a, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle ax^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2pq};$
- (ii)  $a^x = a, a^y = a^{-1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2;$

- (iii)  $a^x = a^{-1} = a^y$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (iv)  $a^x = a$ ,  $a^y = a^{1-2kp}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^q x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2p}$ ;  
 (v)  $a^x = a$ ,  $a^y = a^{2kp-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^2 x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2q}$ ;  
 (vi)  $a^x = a^{-1}$ ,  $a^y = a^{1-2kp}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (vii)  $a^x = a^{1-2kp}$ ,  $a^y = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^q x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2p}$ ;  
 (viii)  $a^x = a^{1-2kp}$ ,  $a^y = a^{-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2$ ;  
 (ix)  $a^x = a^{2kp-1}$ ,  $a^y = a$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^p x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2q}$ ;  
 (x)  $a^k = a^{2kp-1}$ ,  $a^y = a^{-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2$ .

Thence the 5 types (ii), (iii), (vi), (viii), (x) have the center  $\simeq Z_2$ ; (iv) and (vii) have the center  $\simeq Z_{2p}$ ; also (v) and (ix) have the same center  $Z_{2q}$ . But by counting the number of elements of order 2 in each group, we obtain the following table:

Table 3

order	type								
	(ii)	(iii)	(vi)	(viii)	(x)	(iv)	(vii)	(v)	(ix)
	Number of elements								
2	$4pq+1$	$2pq+3$	$2(p+q)+1$	$2p(q+1)+1$	$2q(p+1)+1$	$4q+1$	$2q+3$	$4p+1$	$2p+3$

Thus the 10 types (i)–(x) are distinct from one another.

IV. 2)  $p \mid (q-1)$ .

Now, except for those mentioned in IV. 1) the remaining group structures are of the forms such as

$$G = D_8[Z_p[Z_q]] = \langle a, b, x, y \rangle, a^q = b^p = x^4 = y^2 = 1, a^b = a^k, \\ x^y = x^{-1}, a^x = a^r, a^y = a^s, b^x = b^u, b^y = b^v.$$

Thus we have  $a^{r^u} = (a^x)^{b^x} = a^{bx} = a^{rh}$ , which implies  $h^u \equiv 1 \pmod{q} \Rightarrow u \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

Similarly  $v \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . Thence  $[x, b] = 1 = [y, b]$ . Again  $a^{r^s} = a^{x^y} = a^{yx} = a^{rs}$  implies  $r^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , therefore the undetermined  $r, s$  must satisfy

$$r^2 \equiv 1 \equiv s^2 \pmod{q},$$

which gives us 4 sets of  $(r, s)$ , determined by  $r \equiv \pm 1, s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$ , thus the associated group structures are  $G = \langle a, b, x, y \rangle, a^q = b^p = x^4 = y^2 = 1 = [x, b] = [y, b]$ ,

but

- (xi)  $a^x = a = a^y$ , with  $C_G(Q) = \langle a, x, y \rangle \simeq Z_q \times D_8$ , where  $Q = \langle a \rangle$ ;  
 (xii)  $a^x = a$ ,  $a^y = a^{-1}$ , with  $C_G(Q) = \langle a, x \rangle \simeq Z_{4q}$ ;  
 (xiii)  $a^x = a^{-1} = a^y$ , with  $C_G(Q) = \langle a, x^2, xy \rangle \simeq Z_q \times E_4$ .

V.  $O = Q_8$ .

V. 1)  $p \nmid (q-1)$ .

Now  $G = Q_8[Z_p[Z_q]] = \langle a, x, y \rangle, a^{pq} = x^4 = 1, x^2 = y^2, x^y = x^{-1}, a^x = a^r, a^y = a^s$ . Hence  $r^4 \equiv 1 \equiv s^4, r^2 \equiv s^2 \pmod{pq}$ . But  $x^2 = [y, x]$  implies  $a^{r^2} = a^{x^2} = a^{[y, x]} = a^{y^2 x^2 y x} = a^{s^2 r^2 s r} = a$ ,

then  $r^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$ , and therefore  $r^2 \equiv 1 \equiv s^2 \pmod{pq}$ . This implies

$$r \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp), s \equiv \pm 1, \pm(1-2kp) \pmod{pq}.$$

Thus we obtain 16 sets of  $(r, s)$ . However, in view of the fact that  $x$  and  $y$  are situated symmetrically in  $Q_8$ , and  $Q_8 = \langle x, y \rangle = \langle xy, y \rangle = \langle x, xy \rangle = \langle y, xy \rangle$ , we obtain, by suitably choosing  $x, y$ , 5 types of groups, say

$$G = \langle a, x, y \rangle, a^{pq} = x^4 = 1, x^2 = y^2, x^y = x^{-1},$$

but

- (i)  $a^x = a = a^y$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle ax^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2pq}$ ;
- (ii)  $a^x = a^{-1} = a^y$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2 \simeq Z(G/Z(G)) = \langle xyZ(G) \rangle$ ;
- (iii)  $a^x = a, a^y = a^{1-2kp}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^q x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2p}$ ;
- (iv)  $a^x = a, a^y = a^{2kp-1}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle a^p x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_{2q}$ ;
- (v)  $a^x = a^{-1}, a^y = a^{1-2kp}$ , with  $Z(G) = \langle x^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2, Z(G/Z(G)) = 1$ .

V. 2).  $p \mid (q-1)$ .

Now  $G = Q_8[Z_{pq}]$  or  $G = Q_8[Z_p[Z_q]]$ . Thence we have 5 types (i)–(v) when  $G = Q_8[Z_{pq}]$ , and besides these when  $G = Q_8[Z_p[Z_q]]$ , we have also  $G = \langle a, b, x, y \rangle$ ,  $a^q = b^p = x^4 = 1, y^2 = x^2, a^b = a^h, x^y = x^{-1}, a^x = a^r, a^y = a^s, b^x = b^u, b^y = b^v$ . But

$$a^{rh^u} = (a^r)^{b^u} = a^{xb^x} = a^{bx} = a^{hr}.$$

implies  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , similarly  $v \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , thus  $[x, b] = 1 = [y, b]$ . Again

$$a^{r^3s} = a^{x^3y} = a^{y^2x} = a^{sr}$$

implies  $r^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , similarly  $s^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ . Consequently, we have 4 sets of solutions of  $(r, s)$ , which come from  $r \equiv \pm 1, s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$ , and therefore they give only two types of groups, i. e.

$$G = \langle a, b, x, y \rangle, a^q = b^p = x^4 = 1 = [x, b] = [y, b], x^2 = y^2, a^b = a^h, x^y = x^{-1},$$

but

- (vi)  $a^x = a = a^y, G = Q_8 \times Z_p[Z_q]$ ;
- (vii)  $a^x = a^{-1} = a^y$ , which is evidently not the direct product of  $Q_8$  and  $Z_p[Z_q]$ .

Summarizing all the results discussed in § 1 above, we obtain the following lemmas (all groups,  $G$  Considered with order  $2^3 pq$ ,  $p < q$ -odd primes, are assumed to have Sylow towers):

**Lemma 1.** *If the Sylow 2-subgroups are cyclic (i. e.  $Z_8$ ), then the groups have*

$$\left. \begin{matrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{matrix} \right\} \text{types when } \begin{cases} q \text{ and } p \equiv 7 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(iv) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \text{ and } p \equiv 7 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(iv), (viii), (xiv) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$$

$$\text{or have } \left. \begin{matrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{matrix} \right\} \text{types when } \begin{cases} q \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7, p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(vi) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7, p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(vi), (xiii), (xiv) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$$



- or have  $\left. \begin{matrix} 8 \\ 10 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7, p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(viii) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7, p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(viii), (xxiii), \\ (xxiv) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$
- or have  $\left. \begin{matrix} 6 \\ 9 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 5, p \equiv 7 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(iv), (ix), (x) \\ \text{in case I}], \\ q \equiv 5, p \equiv 7 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(iv), (ix), (x), \\ (xxiii)-(xxv) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$
- or have  $\left. \begin{matrix} 10 \\ 13 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(vi), (ix)-(xii) \text{ in} \\ \text{case I}], \\ q \equiv p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(vi), (ix)-(xii), \\ (xxiii)-(xxv) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$
- or have  $\left. \begin{matrix} 14 \\ 17 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 5, p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(xiv) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \equiv 5, p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(xiv), (xxiii)-( \\ (xxv) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$
- or have  $\left. \begin{matrix} 8 \\ 12 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 1, p \equiv 7 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(iv), (ix), (x), \\ (xv), (xvi) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \equiv 1, p \equiv 7 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(iv), (ix), (x), \\ (xv), (xvi), (xxiii)-(xxvi) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$
- or have  $\left. \begin{matrix} 14 \\ 18 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 1, p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(vi), (ix)-(xii), \\ (xv)-(xviii) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \equiv 1, p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(vi), (ix)-(xii), \\ (xv)-(xviii), (xxiii)-(xxvi) \text{ in case I}]; \end{cases}$
- or have  $\left. \begin{matrix} 22 \\ 26 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(xxii) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \equiv p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(xxvi) \text{ in case I}]. \end{cases}$

**Lemma 2.** If the sylow 2-subgroups are abelian of type  $(4, 2)$  (i. e.  $Z_4 \times Z_2$ ), then the groups have:

- $\left. \begin{matrix} 10 \\ 13 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q, p \equiv 3, \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [\text{i. e. } (i)-(x) \text{ in case II}], \\ q, p \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [\text{i. e. } (i)-(x), (xx)-(xxii) \text{ in} \\ \text{case II}]; \end{cases}$
- or  $\left. \begin{matrix} 13 \\ 16 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7, p \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(xiii) \text{ in case I}], \\ q \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7, p \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(xiii), (xx)-( \\ (xxii) \text{ in case II}]; \end{cases}$
- or  $\left. \begin{matrix} 13 \\ 17 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5, p \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(x), (xiv)-( \\ (xvi) \text{ in case II}]; \\ q \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5, p \equiv 3 \text{ or } 7 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(x), (xiv)-( \\ (xvi), (xx)-(xxiii) \text{ in case II}]; \end{cases}$
- or  $\left. \begin{matrix} 19 \\ 23 \end{matrix} \right\}$  types when  $\begin{cases} q \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5, p \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \nmid (q-1) [(i)-(xix) \text{ in case II}], \\ q \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5, p \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } p \mid (q-1) [(i)-(xxiii) \text{ in case} \\ \text{II}]. \end{cases}$

**Lemma 3.** If the sylow 2-subgroups are elementary abelian (i. e.  $Z_2 \times Z_2 \times Z_2$ ), then the groups have

5 types when  $p \nmid (q-1)$  for any  $p, q$  [i. e. (i)–(v) in case III]  
or 7 types when  $p \mid (q-1)$  for any  $p, q$  [(i)–(vii) in case III].

**Lemma 4.** If the sylow 2-subgroups are dihedral (i. e.  $D_8$ ), then the groups have  
10 types when  $p \nmid (q-1)$  for any  $p, q$  [i. e. (i)–(x) in case IV];  
or 13 types when  $p \mid (q-1)$  for any  $p, q$  [i. e. (i)–(xiii) in case IV].

**Lemma 5.** If the sylow 2-subgroups are quaternion (i. e.  $Q_8$ ), then the groups have

5 types when  $p \nmid (q-1)$  for any  $p, q$  [i. e. (i)–(v) in case V]  
or 7 types when  $p \mid (q-1)$  for any  $p, q$  [i. e. (i)–(vii) in case V].

Combining lemmas 1–5, we have

**Theorem 1.** If  $G$  is of order  $|G| = 2^3 pq$  ( $p, q$ —odd primes) and  $G$  has Sylow-tower, then when  $p \nmid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has:

- (1) 34 types under  $p, q \equiv 3$  or  $7 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (2) 39 types under  $q \equiv 3$  or  $7, p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (3) 41 types under  $q \equiv 3$  or  $7, p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (4) 39 types under  $q \equiv 5, p \equiv 3$  or  $7 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (5) 49 types under  $q \equiv p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (6) 53 types under  $q \equiv 5, p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (7) 41 types under  $q \equiv 1, p \equiv 3$  or  $7 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (8) 53 types under  $q \equiv 1, p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ,
- (9) 61 types under  $q \equiv 1 \equiv p \pmod{8}$ ;

while when  $p \mid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has respectively 46, 51, 53, 53, 63, 67, 56, 68, 76 types under (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9).

## § 2. $G$ has no Sylow-tower but is soluble

Since  $|G| = 2^3 pq$  ( $p < q$ ), and  $G$  has no Sylow-tower, hence

$$(2^3 - 1)(2^2 - 1)(2 - 1) = 21$$

must be divisible by  $p$  or  $q$ . Thus we need to consider the following three possibilities:

(I)  $p=7$ ; (II)  $p=3$ ; (III)  $p=5$  but  $q=7$ .

(I)  $p=7$ .

Let  $O, P, Q$  be a Sylow basis of  $G$ . Since  $Q \triangleleft PQ$ ,  $Q \triangleleft OQ$  ( $\because OQ$  is 2-nilpotent), hence  $Q \triangleleft G$ , thus in view of the fact that  $G$  has no Sylow-tower,  $OP$  must contain  $P$  as a non-normal subgroup, then the structure of  $OP$  is unique,<sup>[2]</sup> i. e.

$$OP = P[E_8] = \langle x, a, b, c \rangle,$$

$$x^7 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c], \quad a^x = c, \quad b^x = a, \quad c^x = bc.$$

Consequently,  $G = OP[Q] = \langle y, x, a, b, c \rangle$  with more relations  $y^q = 1, y^x = y^u, y^a = y^r, y^b = y^s, y^c = y^t$ . But  $y^{tu} = y^{xv} = y^{ax} = y^{ru} \Rightarrow t \equiv r \pmod{q}$ ;

$$y^{ur} = y^{xa} = y^{bx} = y^{su} \Rightarrow r \equiv s \pmod{q};$$

and

$$y^{ust} = y^{xvo} = y^{cx} = y^{tu} \Rightarrow s \equiv 1 \pmod{q},$$

thence

$$r \equiv s \equiv t \equiv 1 \pmod{q},$$

this shows  $[a, y] = [b, y] = [c, y] = 1$ . Again  $x$  induces an automorphism of  $Q$ , with order dividing  $7 \neq q$ , then  $y^x = y^{u_i}$ , where  $u_0^7 = 1, u_0 \neq 1 \pmod{q}, 0 \leq i \leq 6$ .

If  $7 \nmid (q-1)$ , then  $x$  induces the identity automorphism in  $Q$ , and we have only one type, say

$$(i) \quad G = Z_7[E_8] \times Z_q = \langle x, y, a, b, c \rangle,$$

$$x^7 = y^q = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c] = [x, y] = [y, a]$$

$$= [y, b] = [y, c], \quad a^x = c, \quad b^x = a, \quad c^x = bc. \quad Z(G) \simeq Z_q.$$

If  $7 \mid (q-1)$ ,  $y^x = y^{u_i}, 0 \leq i \leq 6$ . Thus we need only to consider the cases  $1 \leq i \leq 6$ .

Let  $G = \langle y, x, a, b, c \rangle$ ,

$$y^q = x^7 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c] = [a, y]$$

$$= [b, y] = [c, y], \quad a^x = c, \quad b^x = a, \quad c^x = bc, \quad y^x = y^{u_i};$$

and

$$G_1 = \langle y_1, x_1, a_1, b_1, c_1 \rangle, \quad y_1^q = x_1^7 = a_1^2 = b_1^2 = c_1^2 = 1 = [a_1, b_1] = [a_1, c_1]$$

$$= [b_1, c_1] = [a_1, y_1] = [b_1, y_1] = [c_1, y_1], \quad a_1^{x_1} = c_1, \quad b_1^{x_1} = a_1, \quad c_1^{x_1} = b_1 c_1, \quad y_1^{x_1} = y_1^{u_i}.$$

Now we go to seek the necessary and sufficient condition that  $G \simeq G_1$ .

$G \simeq G_1$  iff  $G = \langle y', x', a', b', c' \rangle$  with

$$a'^2 = b'^2 = c'^2 = y'^q = x'^7 = 1 = [a', b'] = [a', c'] = [b', c'] = [a', y']$$

$$= [b', y'] = [c', y'], \quad a'^{x'} = c', \quad b'^{x'} = a', \quad c'^{x'} = b'c', \quad y'^{x'} = y'^{u_i}.$$

Hence from  $O \triangleleft G, Q \triangleleft G$ , we have  $y' = y^r, (r, q) = 1, x' = a^{\lambda} b^{\mu} c^{\nu} y^s x^t$  for some  $t (1 \leq t \leq 6), a' = a^{\lambda_1} b^{\mu_1} c^{\nu_1}, b' = a^{\lambda_2} b^{\mu_2} c^{\nu_2}, c' = a^{\lambda_3} b^{\mu_3} c^{\nu_3}$ . But  $O = E_8$  can be regarded as a linear space over  $Z_2$ , thence let

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha' = \begin{pmatrix} a' \\ b' \\ c' \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Delta = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \mu_1 & \nu_1 \\ \lambda_2 & \mu_2 & \nu_2 \\ \lambda_3 & \mu_3 & \nu_3 \end{pmatrix} \in GL(3, 2),$$

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in GL(3, 2),$$

we can write  $\alpha' = \Delta \alpha, \alpha^x = \Delta \alpha, \alpha_1^x = \Delta \alpha_1$ . From  $G \simeq G_1$  we have  $\alpha'^{x'} = \Delta \alpha' = \Delta \Delta \alpha$ , but, in fact, we have also  $\alpha'^{x'} = \Delta \alpha^{x'} = \Delta \alpha^{x^x} = \Delta \Delta^t \alpha$ , thus  $\Delta \Delta \alpha = \Delta \Delta^t \alpha$ . And

$$y^{ru_i} = y'^{u_i} = y'^{x'} = (y^r)^{x'} = (y^r)^{x^x} = y^{xu_i},$$

therefore  $it \equiv j \pmod{7}$ . But the fact that  $a, b, c$  are linearly independent implies

$A^{-1}AA = A^t$ , and it shows that  $A^t$  and  $A$  have the same characteristic polynomial  $\lambda^3 + \lambda^2 + 1$  in the field  $Z_2$ . This holds iff  $t=2, 4$ , for  $|\lambda E - A^t| = \lambda^3 + \lambda + 1$  when  $t=3, 5$ , or 6. Thence  $it \equiv j \pmod{7}$  reduces to  $2i \equiv j$  or  $4i \equiv j \pmod{7}$ ; consequently, in view of  $\left(\frac{2}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{4}{7}\right) = 1$ , we obtain  $\left(\frac{i}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{j}{7}\right)$ . This proves that  $G \simeq G_1$ , iff  $i$  and  $j$  are at the same time the quadratic residues or non-residues  $\pmod{7}$ . Thus we have three groups, i. e. (i) and

$$G = \langle x, y, a, b, c \rangle, y^a = x^7 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c] = [a, y] \\ = [b, y] = [c, y], a^x = c, b^x = a, c^x = bc,$$

but

$$(ii) y^x = y^{u_0}, \quad (iii) y^x = y^{u_1} \quad (\text{Note } Z(G) = 1).$$

$$(II) p=3.$$

Now  $|G| = 2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot q$ , and we consider two cases:  $Q \triangleleft G$  and  $Q \ntriangleleft G$ .

$$(II. 1) Q \triangleleft G.$$

Now we can assert  $P \ntriangleleft OP$ . This says that the subgroup  $OP$  of order  $2^3 \cdot 3$  of  $G$  has no normal subgroup of order 3, consequently the structures of  $OP$  have only 3 possibilities;<sup>[2]</sup>

$$(1) OP = Z_3[E_8] = \langle x, a, b, c \rangle, x^3 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c],$$

$$a^x = b, b^x = ab, c^x = c;$$

$$(2) OP = Z_2[Z_3[E_4]] = \langle x, a, b, c \rangle, x^3 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b], a^x = b, b^x = ab,$$

$$a^c = b, b^c = a, x^c = x^{-1};$$

$$(3) OP = Z_3[Q_8] = \langle x, a, b \rangle, x^3 = a^4 = 1, b^2 = a^2, a^b = a^{-1}, a^x = b, b^x = ab.$$

In the case (1), we have  $G = OP[Q] = \langle y, x, a, b, c \rangle$  with more relations  $y^q = 1$ ,  $y^x = y^u$ ,  $y^a = y^r$ ,  $y^b = y^s$ ,  $y^c = y^t$ . Hence  $y^{us} = y^{x^{u^s}} = y^{a^s} = y^{u^r} \Rightarrow r \equiv s \pmod{q}$ , and

$$y^{rsu} = (y^x)^{ab} = y^{x^{b^x}} = y^{b^x} = y^{s^u} \Rightarrow r \equiv s \equiv 1 \pmod{q},$$

i. e.  $[a, y] = [b, y] = 1$ . Again  $t^2 \equiv 1 \equiv u^3 \pmod{q}$  has at most 6 solutions: say

$$\begin{cases} u \equiv 1 \\ t \equiv 1 \end{cases} \pmod{q}, \begin{cases} u \equiv 1 \\ t \equiv -1 \end{cases} \pmod{q} \text{ when } 3 \nmid (q-1); \text{ and } u \equiv 1, u_1, u_1^2, t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$$

when  $3 \mid (q-1)$ , where  $u_1^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$  and  $u_1 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ . However, in view of the fact that  $a$  and  $b$  are situated symmetrically, and, replacing  $x$  by  $x^2$ , we obtain 4 types of  $G$ , say

$$G = \langle x, y, a, b, c \rangle, x^3 = y^q = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c] \\ = [a, y] = [b, y], a^x = b, b^x = ab, c^x = c,$$

but

$$(i) y^c = y, y^x = y, \text{ with } G = OP \times Q, Z(G) = \langle cy \rangle \simeq Z_{2q};$$

$$(ii) y^c = y^{-1}, y^x = y, \text{ with } PQ = P \times Q, Z(G) = 1;$$

$$(iii) y^c = y, y^x = y^{u_1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle c \rangle \simeq Z_2;$$

$$(iv) y^c = y^{-1}, y^x = y^{u_1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = 1, \text{ but } PQ \text{ is not the direct product } P \text{ and } Q.$$

In the case (2), we have  $G = \langle y, x, a, b, c \rangle$  with more relations  $y^a = 1$ ,  $y^x = y^u$ ,  $y^a = y^r$ ,  $y^b = y^s$ ,  $y^c = y^t$ . Similarly, we have  $r \equiv s \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , thus  $[a, y] = [b, y] = 1$ . Again  $y^{tu^3} = y^{c^3} = y^{c^{x-1}} = y^{x^c} = y^{ut} \Rightarrow u \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , hence  $y^x = y$ . But  $t^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$  implies  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q}$ , which correspond to 2 groups, say

$$G = \langle x, y, a, b, c \rangle, x^3 = y^a = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, y] = [b, y] \\ = [x, y], a^x = b, b^x = ab, a^c = b, b^c = a, x^c = x^{-1},$$

but

$$(v) \ y^c = y, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle y \rangle \simeq Z_q;$$

$$(vi) \ y^c = y^{-1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = 1.$$

In the case (3),  $G = \langle y, x, a, b \rangle$ ,  $y^a = 1$ ,  $y^x = y^u$ ,  $y^a = y^r$ ,  $y^b = y^s$  and the relations of  $x, a, b$  are mentioned in (3). But  $y^{ru} = y^{ax} = y^{xb} = y^{us} = y^{su} = y^{bx} = y^{xab} = y^{urs}$  and, similarly,  $y^{su} = y^{ru}$ , hence  $r \equiv s \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ , i. e.  $[a, y] = [b, y] = 1$ . And  $u^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$  has at most three solutions:  $u \equiv 1, u_1, u_1^2 \pmod{q}$ , where  $u_1^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$  and  $u_1 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ ,  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$  when  $3 \nmid (q-1)$ ;  $u \equiv 1, u_1, u_1^2 \pmod{q}$  when  $3 \mid (q-1)$ . Hence we have two types (replacing  $x, a, b$  by  $x^2, a^3, a^3b$  respectively we find that  $u = u_1^2$  will reduce to  $u = u_1$ ), say

$$G = \langle x, y, a, b \rangle, x^3 = y^a = a^4 = 1 = [a, y] = [b, y], b^2 = a^2, a^x = b, b^x = ab, a^b = a^{-1},$$

but

$$(vii) \ y^x = y, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle a^2y \rangle = Z_{2q};$$

$$(viii) \ y^x = y^{u_1}, \text{ with } Z(G) = \langle a^2 \rangle \simeq Z_2.$$

## (II. 2) $Q \ntriangleleft G$ .

At first, we shall show that there is a normal subgroup  $A$  of  $G$  such that  $|G:A| = 3$ . Since  $Q \triangleleft PQ$  implies  $P \leq N_G(Q)$ , then  $Q \leq O_{p'}(G)[3]$ , (Lemma 2.6). But  $Q \ntriangleleft G \Rightarrow Q < O_{p'}(G) \leq OQ$ . Suppose, on the contrary, that  $O_{p'}(G) < OQ$ , then  $|O_{p'}(G)| < 2^3q$  ( $q > 3$ ) implies  $Q$  char in  $O_{p'}(G) \triangleleft G$ . It contradicts to the condition  $Q \ntriangleleft G$ . Hence it must be  $O_{p'}(G) = OQ = A$  (say). Thence  $A \triangleleft G$  and  $|G:A| = 3$ .

Now  $Q \ntriangleleft G \Rightarrow Q \ntriangleleft A$ , and for  $q > 3$ , it must be that  $q = 7$ , therefore the structure of  $A$  of order  $2^3 \cdot 7$  is unique<sup>[2]</sup> as in (I), i. e.

$$A = \langle y, a, b, c \rangle, y^7 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = [a, b] = [a, c] \\ = [b, c] = 1, a^y = c, b^y = a, c^y = bc.$$

Again, by sylow's theorem,  $Q \triangleleft PQ$ , we have  $G = P[A] = \langle y, x, a, b, c \rangle$  with all relations among  $y, a, b, c$  as mentioned above and the other relations:  $x^3 = 1$ ,  $y^x = y^r$ ,

$$a^x = A\alpha, \text{ where } \alpha = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}, A \in GL(3, 2) \text{ as in (I), hence } A^3 = E \text{ (the identity matrix of } GL(3, 2)). \text{ Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in GL(3, 2), \text{ then } \alpha^y = A\alpha \text{ and } A^7 = E. \text{ But}$$

$$AA\alpha = A\alpha^x = \alpha^{yx} = \alpha^{xyr} = AA^r\alpha \Rightarrow A^r = A^{-1}AA;$$

and  $x^3=1$ ,  $y^x=y^r$  implies  $r^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ , hence  $r \equiv 1, 2, 4 \pmod{7}$ . Since

$$GL(3, 2) = SL(3, 2) = PSL(3, 2)^{[4]}$$

is simple and is of order  $2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 7$ , hence it has 8 Sylow 7-subgroups. Consequently, we have  $|GL(3, 2):N| = 8$ , where  $N = N_{GF(3, 2)}(\langle A \rangle)$  is the normalizer of  $\langle A \rangle$  in  $GL(3, 2)$ , i. e.  $|N| = 3 \cdot 7$ .

Take  $A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in GL(3, 2)$ , then  $A_1^3 = E$ , and  $A_1^{-1} A A_1 = A^2$ , hence  $A_1 \in N$ ,

and  $N = \langle A, A_1 \rangle$ ; also  $A \in N \Rightarrow A = A^i A_1^j (j=1, 2)$ , thus  $A^{-1} A A_1 = A^r$  implies  $A_1^{-j} A A_1^j = A^r$ , i. e.  $A^2 = A^r$ . Consequently  $j=0$  and  $i=0$  when  $r \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ ;  $j=1$  when  $r \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$ ;  $j=2$  when  $r \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ . Thus the group type when  $r \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$  is

$$(ix) \quad G = \langle x, y, a, b, c \rangle, \quad x^3 = y^7 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c] = [x, y] \\ = [x, a] = [x, b] = [x, c], \quad a^y = c, \quad b^y = a, \quad c^y = bc, \quad \text{with } Z(G) = \langle x \rangle \simeq Z_3.$$

When  $r \equiv 2$  or  $4 \pmod{7}$ ,  $A = A^i A_1$  or  $A = A^i A_1^2$ , replacing  $x$  by  $y^{-i} x$  or  $(y^{-i} x)^2$  respectively, we obtain another type of  $G$ :

$$(x) \quad G = \langle x, y, a, b, c \rangle, \quad x^3 = y^7 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c] = [x, c], \\ a^y = c, \quad b^y = a, \quad c^y = bc, \quad y^x = y^2, \quad a^x = b, \quad b^x = ab, \quad \text{with } Z(G) = 1$$

(III)  $p=5$ , but  $q=7$ .

Now  $|G| = 2^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$ , by Sylow's theorem we have  $PQ = P \times Q$  and  $P \triangleleft OP$ , hence  $P \triangleleft G = OPQ$ . Thus, in view of the fact that  $G$  has no Sylow-tower, it follows  $Q \ntriangleleft OQ$  (order  $2^3 \cdot 7$ ), consequently

$$OQ = \langle y, a, b, c \rangle, \quad y^7 = 1 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = [a, b] = [a, c] = [b, c], \\ a^y = c, \quad b^y = a, \quad c^y = bc^{[2]}$$

Thus  $O = \langle a, b, c \rangle$  is elementary abelian and  $O \triangleleft OQ$ . Therefore from  $P \triangleleft G$  we have  $OP \triangleleft G$ . Now we can assert that  $O \triangleleft G$ .

On the contrary, if  $O \ntriangleleft G$  were true, then  $O \ntriangleleft OP$ , and since  $|OP| = 2^3 \cdot 5$ , hence  $OP$  is of the unique structure<sup>[2]</sup>, i. e.  $OP = \langle x, a, b, c \rangle$ ,  $x^5 = 1 = [a, x] = [b, x]$ ,  $x^c = x^{-1}$ . Thence  $Z(OP) = \langle a, b \rangle$ ,  $|G/Z(OP)| = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$ , and

$$|G:PQ \cdot Z(OP)| = 2 \Rightarrow PQ \cdot Z(OP) \triangleleft G,$$

therefore sylow's theorem shows that  $Q \triangleleft PQ \cdot Z(OP)$ , thus  $Q$  char in  $PQ \cdot Z(OP)$ , which implies  $Q \triangleleft G$ . It shows that  $G$  has Sylow-tower  $G, PQ, Q$ , and  $1$ , and it is not allowable.

Hence  $O \triangleleft G \Rightarrow O \triangleleft OP \Rightarrow OP = O \times P \Rightarrow G = OQ \times P$ . Consequently, from the fact that  $Q \ntriangleleft OQ$ ,  $O \triangleleft OQ$ , and  $O$  is elementary abelian, it follows that,  $OQ = Z_7[E_8]$ , and hence  $G = Z_7[E_8] \times Z_5$ , i. e.

$$(i) \quad G = Z_7[E_8] \times Z_5 = \langle y, x, a, b, c \rangle, \quad y^7 = x^5 = a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1 = [a, b] = [a, c] \\ = [b, c] = [a, x] = [b, x] = [c, x] = [y, x], \quad a^y = c, \quad b^y = a, \quad c^y = bc.$$

Summarizing all mentioned in § 2, we obtain the following lemmas (all groups

$G$  considered are of orders  $2^3pq$  ( $p < q$ ), and have no Sylow towers, but are soluble; thence we have  $p=3, 7$ , or  $p=5$  and  $q=7$ :

**Lemma 1.**  $G$  has only one type for  $p=7$  and  $7 \nmid (q-1)$ , i. e. (i) in (I); has 3 types, i. e. (i), (ii), (iii) in (I) when  $p=7$  and  $7 \mid (q-1)$ .

**Lemma 2.** When  $p=3$ , the group  $G$  has 5 types (i), (ii), (v), (vi), (vii) in (II) for  $3 \nmid (q-1)$ ; for  $3 \mid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has 8 or 10 types (i)—(viii) or (i)—(x) in (II) according as  $q \neq 7$  or  $q=7$  respectively.

**Lemma 3.** When  $p=5$ ,  $q=7$ , the group  $G$  has only one type, i. e. (i) in (III).

Combining Lemmas 1—3, we have

**Theorem 2.** If  $G$  is of order  $|G| = 2^3pq$  ( $p < q$ , odd primes) and  $G$  has no Sylow-tower but is soluble, then when  $p \nmid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has only one type for  $p=7$  or for  $p=5$  and  $q=7$ , and five types for  $p=3$ ; but when  $p \mid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has 3 types for  $p=7$ , 8 types for  $p=3$  and  $q \neq 7$ , or 10 types for  $p=3$  and  $q=7$ .

### § 3. $G$ is non-soluble

At first, we state Brauer's theorem ([5], Theorem 2): If a group  $G$  of order  $2^m pq$  is simple, then  $G$  is only  $U_5 \simeq PSL(2, 5)$  or  $PSL(2, 7)$ . Thus the group  $G$  of order  $2^3pq$  is  $PSL(2, 7)$  if  $G$  is simple. In view of  $|G| = 2^3pq$ , if  $G$  is non-simple, we know easily that there is a non-trivial normal subgroup  $N$  of  $G$ , such that  $N$  or  $G/N$  is simple and isomorphic to  $U_5$  as  $G$  is non-soluble. Thus when  $N \simeq U_5$ , then  $|G| = 120$ , so that  $G \simeq S_5$  or  $Z_2 \times U_5^{[6]}$ ; when  $G/N \simeq U_5$ , then  $|N| = 2$ , so that  $N = Z(G)$ , and it follows that  $G \simeq SL(2, 5)$  if  $G = G' = [G, G]$  or  $G \simeq Z_2 \times U_5$  if  $G \neq G' = [G, G]$ .

Summarizing all mentioned above, we obtain the following

**Theorem 3.** If  $G$  is of order  $|G| = 2^3pq$  ( $p < q$ , odd primes), and  $G$  is non-soluble, then  $p=3$ ,  $q=5$  or  $7$ . And for  $q=5$ ,  $G$  has three types, i. e.  $Z_2 \times U_5$ ,  $S_5$ ,  $SL(2, 5)$ ; for  $q=7$ ,  $G$  has only one type, i. e.  $PSL(2, 7)$ .

Combining Theorem-1—3, we have

**Theorem.** If  $G$  is of order  $|G| = 2^3pq$  ( $p < q$ —odd primes), then when  $p \nmid (q-1)$ ,

$G$  has

- (1) 34 types under  $pq \equiv 3$  or  $7 \pmod{8}$  but  $p \neq 3, 7$ ;
- (2) 39 types under  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  but  $q \neq 7$ ;
- (3) 39 types under  $q \equiv 5$ ,  $p \equiv 3$  or  $7 \pmod{8}$  but  $p \neq 3$ ;
- (4) 41 types under  $q \equiv 3$  or  $7$ ,  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ;
- (5) 49 types under  $q \equiv 5 \equiv p \pmod{8}$ ;
- (6) 53 types under  $q \equiv 5$ ,  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ;
- (7) 41 types under  $q \equiv 1$ ,  $p \equiv 3$  or  $7 \pmod{8}$  but  $p \neq 3$  or  $7$ ;
- (8) 53 types under  $q \equiv 1$ ,  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ;

(9) 61 types under  $q \equiv 1 \equiv p \pmod{8}$ .

While when  $p \mid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has respectively 46, 51, 53, 53, 63, 67, 56, 68, 76 types under (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9).

When  $3 \nmid (q-1)$ , the group  $G$  of order  $2^3 \cdot 3q$  has

(1)' 37 types under  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ;

(3)' 42 types under  $q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  bmt  $q \neq 5$  and 45 types under  $q=5$  (i. e.  $|G| = 2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$ );

(7)' 44 types under  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ .

While when  $3 \mid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has 54 types under (1)' but  $q \neq 7$ ; and 57 types under  $q=7$ ; 61 types under  $q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , 64 types under (7)'.

When  $7 \nmid (q-1)$ , the group  $G$  of order  $2^3 \cdot 7 \cdot q$  has

(1)" 35 types under  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ;

(3)" 40 types under  $q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ;

(7)" 42 types under  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ .

While when  $7 \mid (q-1)$ ,  $G$  has respectively 49, 56, 59 types under (1)", (3)", (7)".

And finally, the group  $G$  of order  $2^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$  has 40 types.

Similarly, we can derive all the structures of groups  $G$  of order  $r^3 pq$  ( $r, p, q$ -prime).

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