

# $Q$ -ADMISSIBILITY OF CERTAIN NONSOLVABLE GROUPS<sup>†</sup>

BY

ELIAS ABBOUD

*Department of Mathematics, Technion — Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa 32000, Israel*

## ABSTRACT

A finite group  $G$  is called  $Q$ -admissible if there exists a finite dimensional central division algebra over  $Q$ , containing a maximal subfield which is a Galois extension of  $Q$  with Galois group isomorphic to  $G$ . It is proved that  $S_5^-$ , one of the two nontrivial central extensions of  $S_5$  by  $Z/2Z$ , is  $Q$ -admissible. As a consequence of that result and previous results of Sonn and Stern, every finite Sylow-metacyclic group, having  $A_5$  as a composition factor, is  $Q$ -admissible.

## Introduction

Let  $Q$  be the field of rational numbers. Schacher gave in his paper [2] the following definition:

A finite group  $G$  is called  $Q$ -admissible  $\Leftrightarrow$  There exists a finite dimensional central division algebra over  $Q$  containing a maximal subfield which is a Galois extension of  $Q$  with Galois group  $\cong G$ .

We may replace  $Q$  by any field  $k$ .

Let  $S_5^-$  be the central extension of  $C_2$  by  $S_5$  which contains  $D'_{16}$  as a 2-sylow subgroup, where

$$D'_{16} = \langle x, yx^2 = y^8 = 1, x^{-1}yx = y^3 \rangle.$$

In this paper we prove the following theorem:  $S_5^-$  is  $Q$ -admissible.

<sup>†</sup> This paper is part of a M.Sc. thesis written at the Technion — Israel Institute of Technology, under the supervision of Professor J. Sonn, whom the author wishes to thank for his valuable guidance.

Received June 3, 1985 and in revised form May 7, 1987

### Preliminaries

Let  $p$  denote a prime divisor of the field  $k$  and  $v$  a prime integer dividing  $|G|$ . Schacher in [2] characterized  $k$ -admissibility in terms of local Galois groups:

**CRITERION.** A finite group  $G$  is  $k$ -admissible  $\Leftrightarrow$  There exists a Galois extension  $L \mid k$  such that  $G(L/k) \cong G$  and for every prime  $v \mid |G|$ ,  $G(L_v \mid k_v)$  contains a  $v$ -sylow subgroup for two different prime divisors  $p$  of  $k$ .

Thus, we first seek a method for realizing groups over fields. This leads us to embedding problems.

Sonn has written a brief introduction on embedding problems and some of their properties. We refer the reader to [4] and [5] at least for reading the definitions of the local and global embedding problems.

**CONSEQUENCES.** On the basis of the theorems and lemmas found in [4] and [5] we can prove the following two corollaries:

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let there be given the embedding problem:*

$$(*) \quad \begin{array}{c} G(\bar{Q}_p \mid Q_p) \\ \downarrow \\ 1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow E_p \xrightarrow{j_p} G(K_p \mid Q_p) \rightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

where  $Q_p$  is the field of  $p$ -adic numbers,  $p \neq 5$ , and  $\bar{Q}_p$  is its separable closure. If  $K_p = Q_p(\pi^{1/5})Q_p(\theta)$ , where  $\pi$  is a prime element of  $Q_p$ ,  $\theta$  a primitive 5th root of unity, then the embedding problem is solvable.

**PROOF.**  $K_p \mid Q_p$  is a Galois extension. If  $p \equiv 1(5)$ , then  $G(K_p \mid Q_p) \cong C_5$  [6, p. 48]. By [4, Lemma 3] the embedding problem  $(*)$  has a solution. Assume  $p \not\equiv 1(5)$ , then  $p^4 \equiv 1(5)$  and the order of  $p$  in  $Z_5$  is 2 or 4. Thus,  $G(K_p \mid Q_p) \cong C_5 \cdot C_4$  or  $C_5 \cdot C_2$  ( $A \cdot H$  means semi-direct product). Let  $H$  be a subgroup of order 5 of  $E_p$ . Obviously,  $H$  is normal in  $E_p$  and  $H \cap C_2 = \{1\}$ .

Now, the embedding problem:

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow E_p/H \rightarrow G(Q_p(\theta)/Q_p) \rightarrow 1$$

is solvable by [4, Lemma 3].

Let  $L'_p$  be a solution field, then  $[L'_p : Q_p]$  is a power of 2. Therefore  $L'_p \cap K_p = Q_p(\theta)$  so by [5, Lemma 1] the embedding problem  $(*)$  has a solution.

**COROLLARY 2.** *The embedding problem  $(*)$  is also solvable if  $K_p = F_1 F_2$*

( $K_p$  is the compositum of  $F_1$  &  $F_2$ ), where  $F_1 \mid Q_p$  is totally and tamely ramified extension of degree 3,  $F_2 \mid Q_p$  is unramified extension of degree 2 and  $F_1 F_2$  contains the 3rd root of unity.

PROOF. In this case,  $G(K_p \mid Q_p) \simeq C_3 \cdot C_2$  and the preceding arguments yield the result.

### Realizing $S_5$ over $Q$ and Laguerre polynomials

Turning back to  $S_5^-$ , which is a central extension of  $C_2$  by  $S_5$ , we have the following exact row:

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow S_5^- \rightarrow S_5 \rightarrow 1$$

First we prove that  $S_5$  is realizable over  $Q$  and then go on to verify that the following embedding problem is solvable:

$$\begin{array}{c} G(\bar{Q} \mid Q) \\ \downarrow \\ 1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow S_5^- \rightarrow G(K \mid Q) \simeq S_5 \rightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

( $\bar{Q}$  is the separable closure of  $Q$ ). By [4, Lemma 2] it is enough to investigate the local embedding problems at every prime of  $Q$  except one.

By Schacher's criterion, the  $Q$ -admissibility of  $S_5^-$  is not yet accomplished. Thus in what follows we have to make sure that the other conditions in the criterion are satisfied.

Following Sonn [4] in proving the  $Q$ -admissibility of  $SL(2, 5)$  we realize  $S_5$  over  $Q$ , using Laguerre polynomials. For  $\lambda, \mu$  integers and  $n = 5$  they are defined as follows:

$$F_5(\lambda, \mu, x) = x^5 - \frac{K_5}{1!} x^4 + \frac{K_4 K_5}{2!} x^3 - \frac{K_3 K_4 K_5}{3!} x^2 + \frac{K_2 K_3 K_4 K_5}{4!} x - \frac{K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4 K_5}{5!}$$

where  $K_m = m(\lambda + \mu m)$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots, 5$ .

The discriminant of this polynomial is given by

$$D_5 = \mu^{10} \cdot 2^{10} \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^5 (\lambda + 2\mu)(\lambda + 3\mu)^2 (\lambda + 4\mu)^3 (\lambda + 5\mu)^4.$$

Now, we describe a "Searching method" looking for pairs  $(\lambda, \mu)$  that answer the following demands:

(a) The splitting field of  $F_5(\lambda, \mu, x)$  has  $S_5$  as a Galois group over  $Q$ .

(b) The local embedding problems in all primes of  $Q$ , except one at most, are solvable.

(c) The local conditions in the criterion of  $Q$ -admissibility are satisfied.

Let  $S$  be the set of pairs  $(\lambda, \mu)$  satisfying the following conditions: (1)–(7). The search of  $(\lambda, \mu)$  satisfying (a), (b), (c) will be carried out inside  $S$  (we do not assert that (1)–(7) imply (a)–(c)).

(1)  $\lambda, \mu$  integers.

(2)  $\lambda + 5\mu = 2a$ ,  $a$  is prime.

(3)  $\lambda + 4\mu = 5pq$ ,  $p, q \equiv 3(8)$  ( $p, q$  primes).

(4)  $\lambda/\mu > -2$ ,  $\mu$  is prime.

(5)  $\lambda + 3\mu = 3^{5/2}b$ ,  $s \geq 1, j \geq 4, b(\text{prime}) \equiv 1(3)$  or  $b = 1$ .

(6)  $\lambda + 2\mu = c$ ,  $c(\text{prime}) \equiv -1(4)$ .

(7)  $\sqrt{D_5} \in Q_5$ .

The rationale for this is as follows: The prime 2, which appears in (2), is connected with the local embedding problem at  $p = 2$ . If we choose “ $a$ ” to be prime then the polynomial  $F_5(\lambda, \mu, x)$  will be Eisenstein and the embedding problem is solvable at  $p = a$ .

In (3) we demand  $p, q \equiv 3(8)$ , assuring the existence of the local conditions at two places (we want the dodecahedral group of order 8 to be a local Galois at two primes).

By (4), we assure that all roots of the polynomial are real [4] and so its splitting field is totally real. The condition “ $\mu$  is prime” gives no additional primes in the discriminant.

In (5) we want  $3 \cdot 2^4 \mid \lambda + 3\mu$ , this is helpful for solving the embedding problems at  $p = 2, 3$ . In the quotient  $(\lambda + 3\mu)/48$  it is preferable to appear powers of 2, 3. We ask  $b \equiv 1(3)$  since then it is easy to solve the local embedding problem at  $p = b$ . Concerning (6), the condition  $c \equiv -1(4)$  is useful whenever the polynomial  $F_5(\lambda, \mu, x)$  factors, mod  $c$ , into the form

$$F_5(\lambda, \mu, x) \equiv x^2(x - \alpha)(x^2 + \beta x + \gamma) \pmod{c}$$

so that the local Galois groups, at  $p = c$ , is  $C_2 \times C_2$  and the embedding problem is solvable.

Finally, we demand  $\sqrt{D_5} \in Q_5$ , so that  $G(K_p \mid Q_p)$  is a subgroup of  $A_5$  and the local embedding problem is solvable at  $p = 5$ .

Now, we simplify the equations that appear in (1)–(7). From (2) and (3) we get:

$$\lambda = 25pq - 8a, \quad \mu = 2a - 5pq$$

so that

$$\lambda + 3\mu = 10pq - 2a, \quad \lambda + 2\mu = 15pq - 4a.$$

In (5) we want  $48 \mid \lambda + 3\mu$  or  $10pq - 2a = 48k$  so that

$$a = 5pq - 24k \quad (k \text{ integer}).$$

Thus  $\lambda/\mu > -2$  (condition (4)) implies

$$\frac{5pq}{96} < k < \frac{5pq}{48}.$$

These previous equations of  $\lambda, \mu$  with the last inequality of  $k$  assure the validity of conditions (2), (3), (4) (except for " $\mu$  is prime") and  $48 \mid \lambda + 3\mu$ . The condition  $D_5 \in Q^{*2}$  is equivalent to [6, p. 79]

$$3pq(\lambda + 2\mu) \equiv 1, 4(5).$$

For solving the embedding problem at  $p = 2$  we avoid the case when  $(K_1K_2K_3K_4K_5)/5!$ , is divisible by  $2^{5+3t}$  ( $t$  positive integer). In addition, if everything goes well, for solving the local embedding problem at  $p = c$  it remains to check whether or not

$$F_5(\lambda, \mu, x) \equiv x^2(x - \alpha)(x^2 + \beta x + \gamma) \pmod{c}.$$

Applying this method for  $p, q = 11, 59$ , one gets  $34 \leq k \leq 67$ . The pairs  $(a, \mu)$  for which  $a$  and  $\mu$  are primes are: (2309, 1373), (2237, 1229), (2213, 1181), (1973, 701), (1949, 653), (1887, 503), (1709, 173), (1637, 29).

But only two have all the properties (1)–(7), namely: (2213, 1181) and (1637, 29).

Thus the pairs  $(\lambda, \mu)$  in question are: (1479, 1181) and (3129, 29).

Thus we have got two pairs  $(\lambda, \mu)$  and thus two Laguerre polynomials that may solve the  $Q$ -admissibility of  $S_5^-$ , but only one pair is proved to solve it.

We introduce here the full solution considering the pair  $\lambda = 3129, \mu = 29$ .

The polynomial and discriminant are, respectively,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= F_5(3129, 29, x) \\
 &= x^5 - 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 1637x^4 + 2^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 59 \cdot 1637x^3 \\
 &\quad - 2^6 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 59 \cdot 67 \cdot 1637x^2 \\
 &\quad + 2^5 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 59 \cdot 67 \cdot 1637 \cdot 3187x \\
 &\quad - 2^6 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 \cdot 59 \cdot 67 \cdot 1637 \cdot 1579 \cdot 3187, \\
 D = D_5 &= 2^{22} \cdot 3^5 \cdot 5^8 \cdot 11^3 \cdot 59^3 \cdot 67^2 \cdot 29^{10} \cdot 1637^4 \cdot 3187.
 \end{aligned}$$

**THEOREM.** *The group  $S_5^-$  is  $Q$ -admissible.*

**PROOF.** Let  $K$  be the splitting field of  $f(x)$  over  $Q$ .

We will see later that the local degrees of  $K|Q$  at the primes 67, 11, 1637 are divisible by 3, 5, 8. Since  $G(K|Q)$  is a subgroup of  $S_5$  it follows that  $G(K|Q) \simeq S_5$ . Consider the following embedding problem:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 G(\bar{Q}|Q) \\
 \downarrow \text{res} \\
 1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow S_5^- \xrightarrow{j} G(K|Q) \simeq S_5 \rightarrow 1
 \end{array}$$

Since  $K$  is totally real,  $K_x = Q_x = R$  and the embedding problem is trivially solvable at  $p = \infty$ . At  $p$  which is unramified ( $p \nmid D$ ) the local embedding is solvable by [4, Lemma 3]. It remains to investigate the prime divisors of  $D$ : 2, 3, 5, 11, 59, 67, 29, 1637, 3187. By [4, Lemma 2] we may omit one of them:  $p = \mu = 29$ .

$p = 1637$ :  $f(x) \in Q_p[x]$  is Eisenstein. If  $\omega$  is a root of  $f(x)$ , then  $Q_p(\omega)/Q_p$  is totally and tamely ramified extension of degree 5 [6, 3-3-1, p. 86]. Hence  $Q_p(\omega) = Q_p(\pi^{1/5})$  where  $\pi$  is a prime element of  $Q_p$  [6, 3-4-3, p. 89]. Let  $\theta$  be a primitive 5th root of unity, then  $Q_p(\theta)/Q_p$  is unramified extension of degree 4 [6, 3-2-12, p. 85]. Therefore  $K_p = Q_p(\omega)Q_p(\theta)$  and the local Galois group is:  $G(K_p|Q_p) \simeq C_5 \cdot C_4$ . By Corollary 1 the local embedding problem has a solution.

$p = 67$ :  $f(x) \equiv x^3(x^2 - 22x + 3) \pmod{67}$ , where  $x^2 - 22x + 3$  is irreducible over  $Z_{67}$ . By Hensel's Lemma [6, 2-2-1, p. 45]  $f(x) = a(x)b(x)$  over the ring of integers of  $Q_p$ ,  $a(x) = x^3$ ,  $b(x) = x^2 - 22x + 3$  over the residue class field,  $Z_{67}$ , of  $Q_{67}$ .

Now, the splitting field  $F_1$  of  $b(x)$  is unramified Galois extension of degree 2

[6, 3-2-6, p. 82]. By Newton's polygon there are three roots, with  $\text{ord} = \frac{1}{3}$ , of  $a(x)$  [6, 3-1-1, p. 74].

If  $a(\omega) = 0$  then  $Q_p(\omega)/Q_p$  is totally and tamely ramified of degree 3, so  $Q_p(\omega) = Q_p(\pi^{1/3})$ . but  $Q_p$  contains the third root of unity since  $67 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  [6, p. 48].

Thus  $Q_p(\omega)/Q_p$  is Galois extension of degree 3,  $K_p = Q_p(\omega)F_1$  and  $G(K_p/Q_p) \simeq C_3 \times C_2$  (direct product).

By Corollary 2 there exists a solution.

$p = 2$ : Define  $f_1(y) = 2^{-5}f(2y)$ , hence

$$f_1(y) = y^5 - a_1y^4 + a_2y^3 - 2^3a_3y^2 + 2a_4y - 2a_5, \quad (a_i, 2) = 1$$

so

$$f_1(y) \equiv y^3(y^2 - y + 1) \pmod{2}.$$

By Hensel's lemma  $f_1(y) = a(y)b(y)$ ,  $a(y) = y^3$ ,  $b(y) = y^2 - y + 1$ . Newton's polygon yields 3 roots of  $a(y)$  with  $\text{ord} = \frac{1}{3}$ . Let  $\omega$  be one of them, then  $Q_p(\omega)/Q_p$  is totally and tamely ramified extension of degree 3, so  $Q_p(\omega) = Q_p(\pi^{1/3})$ . Besides, the splitting field of  $b(y)$ , which is unramified extension, equals  $Q_p(\theta)$  where  $\theta$  is a primitive 3rd root of unity [6, 6-5-5, p. 248].

Consequently,  $K_p = Q_p(\omega)Q_p(\theta)$  and  $G(K_p | Q_p) \simeq C_3 \cdot C_2$ .

By Corollary 2 the local embedding problem is solvable.

$p = 3$ :  $f(x) \equiv x^3(x^2 - 2x + 2) \pmod{3}$ . By Hensel's lemma  $f(x) = a(x)b(x)$ ,  $\bar{a} = x^3$ ,  $\bar{b} = x^2 - 2x + 2$ .

The splitting field of  $b(x)$   $L_p | Q_p$  is unramified of degree 2. The extension  $Q_p(\sqrt{D})/Q_p$  is totally ramified of degree 2 [6, 3-3-1, p. 86]. Thus 4 divides the order of the group  $G(K_p/Q_p)$ . By Newton's polygon  $a(x)$  has 3 roots of  $\text{ord} = \frac{1}{3}$ . Let  $a(\omega) = 0$  then  $Q_p(\omega) | Q_p$  is totally and tamely ramified of degree 3. Now, the same argument as in [5, p. 3] yields that  $G(K_p | Q_p) \simeq S_3 \times C_2$  and reduces the case to solving the following embedding problem,

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow Q_8 \rightarrow C_2 \times C_2 \rightarrow 1$$

where  $Q_8$  is the quaternion group of order 8,  $Q_8 = \langle x, y \mid x^4 = 1, x^2 = y^2, yxy^{-1} = x^{-1} \rangle$ . Since  $[Q_p^*: Q_p'^*] = 4$  [6, 6-5-1, p. 246], it follows that there is a unique Galois extension  $K'_p | Q_p$  with Galois group  $C_2 \times C_2$  (see McCarthy, *Algebraic Extensions of Fields*, p. 50). In addition, the Galois group of the maximal 2-extension is isomorphic to the pro-2-group generated by  $x, y$  with

defining relation  $x^{-1}yx = y^3$  [3, p. 34]. But  $3 \equiv -1(4)$ , so that  $Q_8$  is a quotient group of that of the maximal 2-extension and by Galois theory  $Q_8$  is realizable over  $Q_p$  (field of  $p$ -adic integers). Let  $L_p/Q_p$  be an extension with Galois group  $Q_8$ , then  $L_p \supseteq K'_p$ . Now, since every automorphism of  $C_2 \times C_2$  lifts to an automorphism of  $Q_8$ , the embedding problem is solvable (see also [5]).

$p = 5$ :  $f(x) \in Q_p[x]$  is Eisenstein and the order of  $G(K_p | Q_p)$  is divisible by 5. Moreover,

$$Q_p(\sqrt{D}) = Q_p(\sqrt{3 \cdot 11 \cdot 59 \cdot 3187}), 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 59 \cdot 3187 \equiv 4 \pmod{5},$$

so that  $\sqrt{D} \in Q_p$  [4, p. 79]. As a result,  $G(K_p | Q_p)$  can be embedded in  $A_5$ . But  $A_5$  does not contain subgroups of order 15, 20, 30 thus  $|G(K_p | Q_p)|$  is equal to 5 or 10. If  $|G(K_p | Q_p)| = 5$ , then by [4, Lemma 3] the embedding problem is solvable, otherwise  $|G(K_p | Q_p)| = 10$  and  $G(K_p | Q_p) \simeq C_5 \cdot C_2$ .

By [5, Lemma 1] it suffices to prove that the following embedding problem is solvable:

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow E_p/H \xrightarrow{j} G(F'/Q_p) \rightarrow 1$$

where  $[F' : Q_p] = 2$ . If  $E_p/H$  isomorphic to  $C_2 \times C_2$  then the embedding problem  $1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow C_2 \times C_2 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow 1$  is trivially solvable, so assume  $E_p/H \simeq C_4$ .

Now  $Q_p$  contains the 4th root of unity, furthermore,  $F'/Q_p$  is either unramified or totally and tamely ramified. By [4, Lemma 3], in both cases, the embedding problem is solvable.

$p = 3187$ :  $f(x) \equiv x^2(x - 462)(x^2 + 27x - 806) \pmod{3187}$ ,  $x^2 + 27x - 806$  is irreducible over  $Z_p$ . By Hensel's lemma it follows that  $f(x) = a(x)(x - \alpha)(b(x))$  over the ring of integers of  $Q_p$  and  $\bar{a} = x^2$ ,  $\bar{b} = x^2 + 27x - 806$  over  $Z_p$ . By Newton's polygon  $a(x)$  has two roots of ord  $= \frac{1}{2}$ , thus its splitting field is totally and tamely ramified extension of degree 2 and that of  $b(x)$  is unramified of degree 2 over  $Q_p$ . Hence,  $G(K_p | Q_p) \simeq C_2 \times C_2$ .

The local embedding problem is

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow Q_8 \rightarrow C_2 \times C_2 \rightarrow 1$$

( $Q_8$  is the group of quaternions of order 8).

$Q_8$  is realizable over  $Q_p$ , since it is a quotient group of  $G(Q_p(2)/Q_p)$  — the Galois group of the maximal 2-extension — which is isomorphic to the pro-2-group on 2 generators  $x, y$  with the defining relation  $x^{-1}yx = y^{3187}$  [3, II-34].



Now  $3187 \equiv -1 \pmod{4}$  and the same argument as in  $p = 3$  yields that the embedding problem is solvable.

$p = 11, 59$ :  $f(x) \equiv x^4(x - a) \pmod{p}$ . By Hensel's lemma,  $f(x) = a(x)(x - \alpha)$  where  $\bar{a}(x) = x^4$ . By Newton's polygon the 4 roots,  $\omega$ , of  $a(x)$  have  $v(\omega) = \text{ord}_\omega = \frac{1}{4}$ .

$v(Q_p(\omega))$  is a discrete subgroup of  $(R, +)$  (real numbers under addition) so  $v(Q_p(\omega)) = \alpha Z$  for some  $\alpha \in R^+$ . Since  $\text{ord}_\omega = \frac{1}{4}$  it follows that  $\alpha < \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $e = (\alpha Z : Z) \geq 4$ . On the other hand  $e \leq 4$ . Therefore  $e = 4$  and  $Q_p(\omega)/Q_p$  is totally and tamely ramified extension of degree 4. By [6, 3-4-3, p. 89]  $E = Q_p(\pi^{1/4})$  where  $\pi$  is a prime element of  $Q_p$ . Let  $\theta$  be a primitive 4th root of unity, then  $Q_p(\theta) \mid Q_p$  is unramified of degree 2 [6, 3-2-12, p. 85]. So  $K_p = Q_p(\omega)Q_p(\theta)$ ,  $G(K_p \mid Q_p) \simeq C_4 \cdot C_2$ . But  $C_4 \cdot C_2 \simeq D_8$  hence  $G(K_p \mid Q_p) \simeq D_8$  (dihedral group of order 8).

Consequently, the local embedding problem at  $p = 11, 59$  is

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow D'_{16} \rightarrow D_8 \rightarrow 1$$

( $C_2 = \text{center } D'_{16}$ ). Let  $G = G(Q_p(2) \mid Q_p)$  then  $G$  is generated by  $\sigma, \tau$  with  $\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma = \tau^p$  [3, II-34]. One can readily verify that if the following embedding problem is solvable,

$$(*) \quad \begin{array}{c} G \\ \downarrow \text{res} \\ 1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow D'_{16} \xrightarrow{j} D_8 \rightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

then

$$(**) \quad \begin{array}{c} G(\bar{Q}_p \mid Q_p) \\ \downarrow \\ 1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow D'_{16} \rightarrow D_8 \rightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

is solvable also.

Let us recall that

$$D_8 = \langle x, y \mid x^2 = y^4 = 1, xyx^{-1} = y^{-1} \rangle$$

$$D'_{16} = \langle u, v \mid u^2 = v^8 = 1, uvu^{-1} = v^3 \rangle.$$

Concerning  $(*)$ , denote  $\text{res } \sigma = x_1$ ,  $\text{res } \tau = y_1$ . Clearly  $x_1, y_1$  generate  $D_8$  and  $x_1^{-1}y_1x_1 = y_1^p$ .

If  $y_1$  is of order 2 then  $p \equiv 3(8)$  implies  $p \equiv 1(2)$  and  $x_1^{-1}y_1x_1 = y_1$  so that  $D_8$

is abelian. Thus  $y_1$  is of order 4,  $x_1^{-1}y_1x_1 = y_1^{-1}$ . In addition,  $x_1 \notin \langle y_1 \rangle$  so that the order of  $x_1$  is 2. As a result,

$$D_8 = \langle x_1, y_1 \mid x_1^2 = y_1^4 = 1, x_1^{-1}y_1x_1 = y_1^{-1} \rangle.$$

Now  $j$  is epimorphism, choose  $v_1 = j^{-1}(y_1)$ ,  $u_1 = j^{-1}(x_1)$ . We will see that  $u_1, v_1$  are generators of  $D'_{16}$  and satisfy the relation  $u^{-1}v_1u_1 = u_1^p$ , so that a solution of (\*) can be selected by sending the pair  $(\sigma, \tau)$  to  $(u_1, v_1)$ , getting a commutative diagram.

Indeed, if  $v_1 = u$  then  $v_1^2 = e$ ,  $y_1^2 = j(v_1^2) = e$  which is impossible. Similarly, if  $v_1 = uv^j$  then  $v_1^2 = (uv^j)^2 = v^{4j}$ , but  $c_2 = \{e, v^4\}$  is the center of  $D'_{16}$  so that  $v_1^2 \in \{e, v^4\} = \ker j$  implies  $y_1^2 = j(v_1^2) = e$ , a contradiction. Thus  $v_1 = v^j$ . If  $j = 2k$  then  $v_1^2 = v^{4k} \in \ker j$ , so  $v_1 = v^j$  where  $j$  is odd. Now  $u_1$  must be of the form  $uv^k$  and one can easily prove that  $v^j, uv^k$  ( $j$  is odd) form two generators of  $D'_{16}$ . Moreover,

$$u_1^{-1}v_1u_1 = v^{-k}u^{-1}v^juv^k = v^{-k}v^{3j}v^k = (v^j)^3 = v_1^3.$$

Finally the order of  $v_1$  is 8 and for  $p \equiv 3(8)$ ,  $v_1^3 = v_1^p$  so that  $u_1^{-1}v_1u_1 = v_1^p$ .

We have demonstrated that  $S_5^-$  is realizable over  $Q$ . Let  $L$  be a solution field:  $G(L \mid Q) \simeq S_5^-$ . In order to prove its  $Q$ -admissibility we have to show, by the criterion, that for every  $v = 2, 3, 5$ ,  $G(L_p/Q_p)$  contains a  $v$ -syllow subgroup for two prime divisors  $p$  of  $Q$ . By virtue of Chebotarev's density theorem this condition is satisfied for cyclic sylow subgroups, i.e. for  $v = 3, 5$ . The 2-sylow subgroup is  $D'_{16}$ , we have seen that  $D_8$  is local Galois group,  $G(K_p \mid Q_p)$ , at two places:  $p = 11, 59$  ( $K$  is the splitting field of  $f(x)$ ). Now  $L_p$  is a local solution field of

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow S_5^- \xrightarrow{j} G(K \mid Q) \simeq S_5 \rightarrow 1$$

and since the extension of groups

$$1 \rightarrow C_2 \rightarrow D'_{16} \rightarrow D_8 \rightarrow 1$$

does not split, the local solution is surjective.

Consequently,  $G(L_p \mid Q_p) \simeq D'_{16}$  at two primes:  $p = 11, 59$ .

Finally, we have:

**COROLLARY.** *Every finite Sylow metacyclic group,  $G$ , which has  $A_5$  as a composition factor is  $Q$ -admissible.*

**PROOF.** By a hint of Sonn in [5],  $S_5^-$  is sharply  $Q$ -admissible. By [1, Th.1.2]  $G$  is of the form  $A \cdot N$ , where  $A$  is one of:  $A_5$ ,  $S_5$ ,  $S_5^+$ ,  $S_5^-$ ,  $SL(2, 5)$ .

Now,  $A_5$  and  $SL(2, 5)$  are strong  $Q$ -admissible [1], in particular they are sharply  $Q$ -admissible. In addition,  $S_5^+$  and  $S_5^-$  are sharply  $Q$ -admissible and  $S_5$  is a homomorphic image of  $S_5^-$  (or  $S_5^+$ ) so it has the same type of  $Q$ -admissibility. by [1, Th.2.1] with the version of sharply  $Q$ -admissibility, it follows that  $G$  is such a group, in particular  $G$  is  $Q$ -admissible.

#### REFERENCES

1. D. Chillag and J. Sonn, *Sylow-metacyclic groups and  $Q$ -admissibility*, Isr. J. Math. **40** (1981), 307–323.
2. M. Schachter, *Subfields of division rings, I*, J. Algebra **9** (1968), 451–477.
3. J. P. Serre, *Cohomologie Galoisienne*, Lecture Notes in Mathematics, Springer-Verlag, Berlin, 1965.
4. J. Sonn,  *$SL(2, 5)$  and Frobenius Galois groups over  $Q$* , Can. J. Math. **32** (1980), 281–293.
5. L. Stern,  *$Q$ -Admissibility of Sylow-metacyclic groups having  $S_5^+$ , as quotient group*, preprint.
6. E. Weiss, *Algebraic Number Theory*, McGraw-Hill, New York, 1963.