

The influence of $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented subgroups on the structure of finite groups*

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Abstract. A subgroup H of a group G is said to be $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G if there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = HB$ and $TB < G$ for every maximal subgroup T of H . Moreover, a subgroup H is called c -supplemented in G if there exists a subgroup K such that $G = HK$ and $H \cap K \leq H_G$ where H_G is the largest normal subgroup of G contained in H . In this paper we give some conditions of supersolvability of finite group under assumption that some primary subgroups have some kinds of supplements, which are generalizations of some recent results.

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1 Introduction

A subgroup H of a group G is called to be *supplemented* in G if there exists a subgroup K of G such that $HK = G$ and K is called a *supplement* of H in G . Obviously every subgroup of G is supplemented in G as G can be one of its supplements. Hence we should give some other restricted conditions. The relationship between the properties of subgroups of the Sylow subgroups of G and the structure of G has been investigated extensively by a number of authors. For instance, Hall [6] proved that a group G is solvable if and only if every Sylow subgroup of G is complemented in G . Arad and Ward [1] proved that a group G is solvable if and only if every Sylow 2-subgroup and every Sylow 3-subgroup of G are complemented in G . A. Ballester-Bolinches and

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Guo Xiuyun [2] proved that the class of all finite supersolvable groups with elementary abelian Sylow subgroups is just the class of all finite groups for which every minimal subgroup is complemented. Srinivassan [10] proved that a finite group is supersolvable if every maximal subgroup of every Sylow subgroup is normal. Recently, by considering some special supplements (c-supplement) of some primary subgroups, Wang [12] obtained some new conditions for the solvability and supersolvability of a group. More recently, Miao and Guo [8] proved that G is supersolvable if and only if every maximal subgroups of the Sylow subgroup of G is supersolvable s -supplemented in G . In this paper we want to continue these works and obtain some sufficient conditions for a saturated formation containing all supersolvable groups.

Now we will analyze the structure of finite groups with the following concept.

Definition 1.1. *A subgroup H is called $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in a finite group G , if there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = HB$ and TB is a proper subgroup of G for every maximal subgroup T of H .*

Throughout this paper, all groups are finite groups. Our terminology and notation are standard, see [4] and [9]. In particular, let G denote a finite group, $M < \cdot G$ indicates that M is a maximal subgroup of G . $|G|$ denotes the order of G . G_p is the Sylow p -subgroup of G . $\mathcal{U}$ denotes the class of all supersolvable groups. $\pi(G)$ denotes the set of all prime divisor of G .

Let π be a set of primes. We say that $G \in E_\pi$ if G has a Hall π -subgroup. We say that $G \in C_\pi$ if $G \in E_\pi$ and any two Hall π -subgroups of G are conjugate in G . We say that $G \in D_\pi$ if $G \in C_\pi$ and every π -subgroup of G is contained in a Hall π -subgroup of G . We denote by $[H]K$ the semidirect of H and K ; $|G|$ denotes the order of a group G ; $H \text{ char } G$ denotes that H is a characteristic subgroup of G .

Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a class of groups. $\mathcal{F}$ is said to be a formation provided that (1) if $G \in \mathcal{F}$ and $H \trianglelefteq G$, then $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$, and (2) if G/M and G/N are in $\mathcal{F}$, then $G/M \cap N$ is in $\mathcal{F}$. It is clear that for a formation, every group G has a smallest normal subgroup (denoted by $G^\mathcal{F}$) whose quotient $G/G^\mathcal{F}$ is in $\mathcal{F}$. The normal subgroup $G^\mathcal{F}$ is called the $\mathcal{F}$ -residual of G . A formation $\mathcal{F}$ is said to be saturated if $G \in \mathcal{F}$ whenever $G/\Phi(G) \in \mathcal{F}$. It is well known that the class of all supersolvable groups and the class of all p -nilpotent groups are saturated formations (cf. [5]).

2 Preliminaries

For the sake of convenience, we first list here some known results which will be useful in the sequel.

Lemma 2.1. *Let G be a group. Then*

- (1) *If H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , $H \leq M \leq G$, then H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in M .*
- (2) *Let $N \trianglelefteq G$ and $N \leq H$. If H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then H/N is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/N .*
- (3) *Let π be a set of primes. Let K be a normal π' -subgroup and H be a π -subgroup of G . Then H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G if and only if HK/K is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/K .*

Proof.

- (1) If H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = HB$ and $H_1B < G$ for any maximal subgroup H_1 of H . So we may set $L = B \cap M$. Clearly, $B \cap M \leq M$ and $M = M \cap HB = H(M \cap B)$. Since $H_1B < G$ for every maximal subgroup H_1 of H , we have $M \cap H_1B = H_1(M \cap B)$ is a proper subgroup of M .
- (2) If H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then there exists a subgroup B such that $G = HB$ and $H_1B < G$ for any maximal subgroup H_1 of H . So we have $BN < G$. Otherwise we choose T be a maximal subgroup of H which contain N , then $T = T \cap BN = N(T \cap B)$ and hence $TB = N(T \cap B)B = NB = G$, a contradiction. It is easy to have $(H/N)(BN/N) = G/N$. For any maximal subgroup H_1 of H which contain N , we have $(H_1/N)(BN/N) = H_1B/N < G/N$. Therefore H/N is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/N .
- (3) If H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = HB$ and $H_1B < G$ for any maximal subgroup H_1 of H . Clearly, $(HK/K)(BK/K) = G/K$. For any maximal subgroup T/K of HK/K , since K is a normal π' -subgroup and H is a π -subgroup of G , we have $T = H_1K$ where H_1 is a maximal subgroup of H . Therefore $(H_1K/K)(BK/K) = H_1BK/K < G/K$. Otherwise, if $H_1BK = G$, then $|G : H_1B| = |K : K \cap H_1B|$ is a π' -number, on the other hand, $|G : H_1B| = |HB : H_1B|$ is a π -number, a contradiction.

Conversely, if HK/K is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/K , we may similarly get H is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G .

Lemma 2.2 [12]. *Let G be a group. Then*

- (1) *If H is c -supplemented in G , $H \leq K \leq G$, then H is c -supplemented in K ;*
- (2) *Let $K \triangleleft G$ and $K \leq H \leq G$. Then H is c -supplemented in G iff H/K is c -supplemented in G/K ;*
- (3) *Let π be a set of primes, H a π -subgroup of G and N a normal π' -subgroup of G . If H is c -supplemented in G , then HN/N is c -supplemented in G/N ;*
- (4) *A subgroup H of G is c -supplemented in G if and only if there exists a subgroup L of G such that $G = HL$ and $H \cap L = H_G = \text{Core}_G(H)$;*
- (5) *Let R be a solvable minimal normal subgroup of a group G . If there exists a maximal subgroup R_1 of R such that R_1 is c -supplemented in G , then R is a cyclic group of prime order.*

Lemma 2.3. *Let P be a p -subgroup of G where p is a prime divisor of $|G|$. If P is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then there exists a subgroup B of G such that $|G : P_1B| = p$ where P_1 is a maximal subgroup of P .*

Proof. Since P is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = PB$ and $P_1B < G$ for every maximal subgroup P_1 of P . Then $P_1 \leq P \cap P_1B = P_1(P \cap B) < P$. Since P_1 is a maximal subgroup of P , we have $P \cap B \leq P_1$ and hence $P \cap B = P_1 \cap B$. Therefore $|G : P_1B| = |PB : P_1B| = p$.

Lemma 2.4. *Let R be a solvable minimal normal subgroup of G , R_1 be a maximal subgroup of R . If R_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then R is a cyclic group of prime order.*

Proof. Since R_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplement in G , there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = R_1B$ and $TB < G$ for any maximal subgroup T of R_1 . By Lemma 2.3, $|G : TB| = p$ and hence TB is the maximal subgroup of G . Since R is the minimal normal subgroup of G , we have $R \cap TB = R$ or $R \cap TB = 1$. If $R \cap TB = R$, then $TB = RTB = G$, a contradiction. Therefore we have $R \cap TB = 1$ and hence $|R| = p$.

Lemma 2.5 [5, Theorem 1.8.17]. *Let N be a solvable normal subgroup of a group G ($N \neq 1$). If $N \cap \Phi(G) = 1$, then the Fitting subgroup $F(N)$ of N is the direct product of minimal normal subgroups of G which is contained in N .*

Lemma 2.6 [15]. *If H is a subgroup of G with $|G:H| = p$, where p is the smallest prime divisor of $|G|$, then $H \trianglelefteq G$.*

Lemma 2.7 [3, Main Theorem]. *Suppose a finite group G has a Hall π -subgroup where π is a set of primes not containing 2. Then all Hall π -subgroups of G are conjugate.*

Lemma 2.8 [11]. *If P is a Sylow p -subgroup of a group G and $N \trianglelefteq G$ such that $P \cap N \leq \Phi(P)$, then N is p -nilpotent.*

Lemma 2.9 *Let G be a finite group and P a Sylow p -subgroup of G where p is the smallest prime divisor of $|G|$. Then G is p -nilpotent if and only if P is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G .*

Proof. If G is p -nilpotent, then G has a normal p -complement D . For the Sylow p -subgroup P of G and every maximal subgroup P_1 of P , we may easily get $G = PD$ and $P_1D < G$. Therefore P is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G .

Conversely, if P is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = PB$ and $P_1B < G$ for every maximal subgroup P_1 of P . By Lemma 2.3, we have $|G:P_1B| = p$ and hence $P_1B \trianglelefteq G$ by Lemma 2.6. Since $|G:P_1B| = |PB:P_1B| = p$, we have $P \cap B = P_1 \cap B$ for every maximal subgroup P_1 of P . Therefore $P \cap B = \bigcap_{P_1 < P} (P_1 \cap B) = \Phi(P) \cap B$. On the other hand,

$$\bigcap_{P_1 < P} (P_1B) = \left(\bigcap_{P_1 < P} P_1 \right) B = \Phi(P)B \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi(P)B \trianglelefteq G.$$

It follows from $P \cap \Phi(P)B = \Phi(P)(P \cap B) \leq \Phi(P)$ that we have $\Phi(P)B$ is p -nilpotent by Lemma 2.8. Let H be a normal Hall p' -subgroup of $\Phi(P)B$. Clearly, H is also the normal Hall p' -subgroup of G and hence G is p -nilpotent. The proof is over.

Lemma 2.10 *Let G be a finite group and P a Sylow p -subgroup of G where p is the smallest prime divisor of $|G|$. If every maximal subgroup of P having no c -supplement in G , is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then $G/O_p(G)$ is solvable p -nilpotent.*

Proof. Assume that the claim is false and choose G to be a counterexample of smallest order. Clearly, G is not a nonabelian simple group. Furthermore we have,

(1) $O_p(G) \neq 1$.

If $O_p(G) = P$, then $G/O_p(G)$ is a p' -group and of course it is p -nilpotent, a contradiction. If $1 < O_p(G) < P$, then $G/O_p(G)$ satisfies the hypotheses and the minimal choice of G implies that $G/O_p(G) \cong G/O_p(G)/O_p(G/O_p(G))$ is p -nilpotent, a contradiction.

(2) $O_p(G) = 1$.

Let P_1 be a maximal subgroup of P . By hypotheses, if P_1 is c -supplemented in G , then there exists a subgroup K of G such that $G = P_1K$ and $P_1 \cap K \leq (P_1)_G$. Since $O_p(G) = 1$ and $(P_1)_G \leq O_p(G)$, we have $P_1 \cap K = 1$. Therefore $|K_p| = p$ and hence K is p -nilpotent by Burnside p -nilpotent Theorem. Since K is p -nilpotent, we have $K_{p'} \trianglelefteq K$ where $K_{p'}$ is a Hall p' -subgroup of K and of course is the Hall p' -subgroup of G . Hence $G = P_1N_G(K_{p'})$. If $P \cap N_G(K_{p'}) = P$, then $K_{p'} \trianglelefteq G$, a contradiction. If $P \cap N_G(K_{p'}) = L$ where L is the maximal subgroup of P , then $|G : N_G(K_{p'})| = |P : P \cap N_G(K_{p'})| = |P : L| = p$ and hence $N_G(K_{p'}) \trianglelefteq G$ by Lemma 2.6, a contradiction. So we may assume $P \cap N_G(K_{p'}) \leq L_2 < L_1$ where L_1 is the maximal subgroup of P and L_2 is the maximal subgroup of L_1 . If L_1 is c -supplemented in G , then there exists a p -nilpotent subgroup H such that $G = L_1H$. With the similar discussion we have $G = L_1N_G(H_{p'})$ where $H_{p'}$ is the Hall p' -subgroup of H and of course of G . By Lemma 2.8, there exists an element x of P such that $N_G(K_{p'}) = (N_G(H_{p'}))^x$. Therefore $G = L_1N_G(H_{p'}) = (L_1N_G(H_{p'}))^x = L_1N_G(K_{p'})$. Furthermore, $P = P \cap L_1N_G(K_{p'}) = L_1(P \cap N_G(K_{p'})) = L_1$, a contradiction.

So we may assume L_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = L_1B$ and $TB < G$ for any maximal subgroup T of L_1 . Therefore $L_2B < G$ and $|G : L_2B| = p$ by Lemma 2.3. Since p is the smallest prime divisor of $|G|$, Lemma 2.6 implies that $L_2B \trianglelefteq G$. We have $G = L_1B = PB = PL_2B$ and $P \cap L_2B = L_2(P \cap B)$ is the Sylow p -subgroup of L_2B . Clearly, $L_2(P \cap B)$ is the maximal subgroup of P . By hypotheses if $L_2(P \cap B)$ is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then $L_2(P \cap B)$ is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in L_2B by Lemma 2.1 and hence L_2B is p -nilpotent by Lemma 2.9. Therefore G is p -nilpotent, a contradiction. So we may assume that $L_2(P \cap B)$ has a c -supplement R in G . With the similar discussion we have $G = L_2(P \cap B)N_G(R_{p'})$ where $R_{p'}$ is the Hall p' -subgroup of R and of course is the Hall p' -subgroup of G . By Lemma 2.7, there exists an element x of P such that $N_G(K_{p'}) = (N_G(R_{p'}))^x$. Therefore $G = L_2(P \cap B)N_G(R_{p'}) = (L_2(P \cap B)N_G(R_{p'}))^x = L_2(P \cap B)N_G(K_{p'})$. Furthermore, $P = P \cap L_2(P \cap B)N_G(K_{p'}) = L_2(P \cap B)(P \cap N_G(K_{p'})) = L_2(P \cap B)$, a contradiction.

The final contradiction completes our proof.

Lemma 2.11 [7]. *Let G be a group and N a subgroup of G . The generalized Fitting subgroup $F^*(G)$ of G is the unique maximal normal quasinilpotent subgroup of G . Then*

- (1) *If N is normal in G , then $F^*(N) \leq F^*(G)$;*
- (2) *$F^*(G) \neq 1$ if $G \neq 1$; in fact, $F^*(G)/F(G) = \text{Soc}(F(G)C_G(F(G)))/F(G)$;*
- (3) *$F^*(F^*(G)) = F^*(G) \geq F(G)$; if $F^*(G)$ is solvable, then $F^*(G) = F(G)$;*
- (4) *$C_G(F^*(G)) \leq F(G)$;*
- (5) *Let $P \trianglelefteq G$ and $P \leq O_p(G)$; then $F^*(G/\Phi(P)) = F^*(G)/\Phi(P)$;*
- (6) *If K is a subgroup of G contained in $Z(G)$, then $F^*(G/K) = F^*(G)/K$.*

Lemma 2.12 [13, Theorem 3.1]. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$, G a group with a soluble normal subgroup H such that $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$. If for any maximal subgroup M of G , either $F(H) \leq M$ or $F(H) \cap M$ is a maximal subgroup of $F(H)$, then $G \in \mathcal{F}$. The converse also holds, in the case where $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{U}$.*

Lemma 2.13 [14, Theorem 1.1]. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$ and suppose that G is a group with a normal subgroup H such that $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$. If all maximal subgroups of all Sylow subgroups of $F^*(H)$ are c -supplemented in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

3 Main results

Theorem 3.1. *Let G be a group having a normal subgroup N such that G/N is supersolvable. If every maximal subgroups of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of N having no c -supplement in G , is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then G is supersolvable.*

Proof. Assume that the theorem is false and let G be a counterexample with minimal order. Then we have following claims:

- (1) G is solvable.

By hypotheses and Lemma 2.11, $N/O_p(N)$ is solvable r -nilpotent where r is the smallest prime divisor of $|N|$ and hence G is solvable. Let L be a minimal normal subgroup of G contained in N . Clearly, L is an elementary abelian p -group for some prime divisor of $|G|$.

- (2) G/L is supersolvable and L is the unique minimal normal subgroup of G contained in N such that $N \cap \Phi(G) = 1$. Furthermore, $L = F(N) = C_N(L)$.

First, we check that $(G/L, N/L)$ satisfies the hypotheses for (G, N) . We know that $N/L \trianglelefteq G/L$ and $(G/L)/(N/L) \cong G/N$ is supersolvable. Let $\overline{Q} = QL/L$ be a Sylow q -subgroup of N/L . We may assume that Q is a Sylow q -subgroup of N . If $p = q$, we may assume that $L \leq P$, where P is a Sylow p -subgroup of N . If $L \leq P = Q$ and hence every maximal subgroup of P/L is of the form P_1/L with P_1 a maximal subgroup of P . If P_1/L has no c -supplement in G/L , then P_1 has no c -supplement in G , by hypotheses, P_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G and hence P_1/L is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/L by Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2. Now we assume that $p \neq q$. Let $\overline{Q}_1$ be a maximal subgroup of a Sylow q -subgroup of $\overline{N}$. Without loss of generality, we may assume that $\overline{Q}_1 = Q_1L/L$ with Q_1 a maximal subgroup of a Sylow q -subgroup of N . Clearly, if Q_1L/L has no c -supplement in G/L , then Q_1L/L is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/L by Lemma 2.1 and 2.2. So G/L satisfies the hypotheses of the theorem. The minimal choice of G implies that G/L is supersolvable. Since the class of all supersolvable groups is a saturated formation, we know that L is the unique minimal normal subgroup of G which is contained in N and $L \not\leq \Phi(G)$. By Lemma 2.5 we have $F(N) = L$. The solvability of N implies that $L \leq C_N(L) = C_N(F(N)) \leq F(N)$ and so $C_N(L) = L = F(N)$.

- (3) L is a Sylow subgroup of N .

Let q be the largest prime divisor of $|N|$ and Q a Sylow q -subgroup of N . Since G/L is supersolvable, we have N/L is supersolvable. Consequently, $LQ/L \text{ char } N/L \trianglelefteq G/L$ and hence $LQ \trianglelefteq G$. If $p = q$, then $L \leq Q \trianglelefteq G$. Therefore $Q \leq F(N) = L$ and L is a Sylow q -subgroup of N , a contradiction.

Now we assume that $p < q$. Let P be a Sylow p -subgroup of N . Clearly, P is not cyclic. Otherwise, $G/L \in \mathcal{U}$ implies that $G \in \mathcal{U}$. Then $L \leq P$ and $PQ = PLQ$ is a subgroup of N . Note that every maximal subgroup of non-cyclic Sylow subgroup of PQ having no c -supplement in PQ , is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in PQ by Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2. Therefore PQ satisfies the hypotheses for G . If $PQ < G$, the minimal choice of G implies that PQ is supersolvable; in particular, $Q \trianglelefteq PQ$. Hence $LQ = L \times Q$ and $Q \leq C_N(L) \leq L$, a contradiction.

Now we may assume that $G = PQ = N$ and $L < P$. Since G/L is supersolvable, $LQ \trianglelefteq G$. By the Frattini argument, $G = LN_G(Q)$. Note that $L \cap N_G(Q)$ is normalized by $N_G(Q)$ and L . We have that $L \cap N_G(Q) = 1$

since L is the unique minimal normal subgroup of G and Q is not normal in G in this case. Therefore $G = [L]N_G(Q)$. Let P_2 be a Sylow p -subgroup of $N_G(Q)$. Then LP_2 is a Sylow p -subgroup of G . Choose a maximal subgroup P_1 of LP_2 such that $P_2 \leq P_1$. Clearly, $L \not\leq P_1$ and hence $(P_1)_G = 1$. By our hypotheses, if P_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , that is, there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = P_1B$ and $TB < G$ for any maximal subgroup T of P_1 . So we may assume $P_2 \leq T$ for some maximal subgroup T of P_1 . Otherwise, $P_2 = P_1$, then we have $|L| = p$ and hence G/L is supersolvable implies that G is supersolvable, a contradiction. By Lemma 2.3, $|G : TB| = p$ and hence $TB \trianglelefteq G$ by Lemma 2.6. Therefore $L \leq TB$ or $L \cap TB = 1$. If $L \cap TB = 1$, then $|G : TB| = |L| = p$. In this case G/L is supersolvable implies that G is supersolvable. So we may assume $L \leq TB$. Since $P_2 \leq T$, we have $LP_2 \leq TB$, contrary to $|G : TB| = p$. Now we may assume that P_1 is c -supplemented in G , that is, there exists a subgroup K of G such that $G = P_1K$ and $P_1 \cap K \leq (P_1)_G = 1$. Since $|K_p| = p$, we have K is p -nilpotent by Burnside Theorem and hence K has a normal Sylow q -subgroup Q_1 which is also a Sylow q -subgroup of G in this case. By Sylow's theorem, there exists an element $g \in L$ such that $Q_1^g = Q$. Since $P_1 \trianglelefteq LP_2$, we have that $G = P_1K = (P_1K)^g = P_1K^g$. Since $K^g \cong K$ has a normal Sylow q -subgroup and $Q = Q_1^g \leq K^g$, it follows that $K^g \leq N_G(Q)$. Since $LP_2 = LP_2 \cap G = LP_2 \cap P_1K^g = P_1(LP_2 \cap K^g)$, we have that $LP_2 \cap K^g \not\leq P_2$. Otherwise $LP_2 \leq P_1P_2 = P_1$, a contradiction. Therefore P_2 is a proper subgroup of $P_3 = \langle P_2, LP_2 \cap K^g \rangle$. On the other hand, since both P_2 and K^g are contained in $N_G(Q)$, P_3 is a p -subgroup of $N_G(Q)$ which contains a Sylow subgroup P_2 of $N_G(Q)$ as a proper subgroup, a contradiction.

(4) G is supersolvable.

Let L_1 be a maximal subgroup of L . If L_1 is c -supplemented in G , then $|L| = p$ by Lemma 2.2(5) and G/L is supersolvable implies that G is supersolvable. Hence L_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , that is, there exists a subgroup B of G such that $L_1B = G$ and $TB < G$ for every maximal subgroup T of L_1 . By Lemma 2.4, we know that $|L| = p$. Consequently, G/L is supersolvable implies that G is supersolvable.

The final contradiction completes our proof.

Corollary 3.2. *Let G be a group. If every maximal subgroups of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of G having no c -supplement in G , is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then G is supersolvable.*

Corollary 3.3. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$. Suppose that G is a finite group with a normal subgroup N such that $G/N \in \mathcal{F}$. If every maximal subgroups of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of N having no c -supplement in G , is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Corollary 3.4. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$. Suppose that G is a finite group with a normal subgroup N such that $G/N \in \mathcal{F}$. If every nonnormal maximal subgroups of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of N , is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Theorem 3.5. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing all supersolvable groups and G be a group with a normal subgroup N such that $G/N \in \mathcal{F}$. If every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F^*(N)$ having no c -supplement in G , is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G . Then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Proof. Assume that the assertion is false and choose G to be a counterexample of minimal order. Next we consider the following two cases.

Case 1. $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{U}$.

1) $N = G$, $F^*(G) = F(G) \neq 1$.

By Theorem 3.1, $F^*(N)$ is supersolvable. In particular, $F^*(N)$ is solvable and hence $F^*(N) = F(N) \neq 1$ by Lemma 2.11. Since N satisfies the hypotheses of the theorem, the minimal choice of G implies that N is supersolvable if $N < G$. Next we will prove that G is supersolvable in the case of H is solvable and divide into the following steps.

(1.1) $\Phi(G) \cap N \neq 1$.

If $\Phi(G) \cap N \neq 1$, there exists a prime p such that $p \mid |\Phi(G) \cap N|$. Let $L \in \text{Syl}_p(\Phi(G) \cap N)$. Then $L \leq G$ and $(G/L)/(N/L) \in \mathcal{U}$. By [5, P_{240} Satz 3.5] we have that $F(N/L) = F(N)/L$. Let P_1/L be a maximal subgroup of the Sylow p -subgroup of $F(N)/L$. Then P_1 is a maximal subgroup of the Sylow p -subgroup of $F(N)$. If P_1/L has no c -supplement in G/L , then P_1 has no c -supplement in G , by hypotheses P_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G and hence P_1/L is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/L by Lemma 2.1 and 2.2. Let Q/P be a maximal subgroup of the Sylow q -subgroup of $F(N)/L$, where $q \neq p$. It is clear that $Q = Q_1P$, where Q_1 is a maximal subgroup of the Sylow q -subgroup of $F(N)$. With the similar discussion, if Q_1L/L has no c -supplement in G/L , then Q_1L/L is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G/L by Lemma 2.1 and

Lemma 2.2. Hence, we have proved that G/L satisfies the hypotheses of the theorem. So G/L is supersolvable by the minimal choice of G . Since $P \leq \Phi(G)$ and $\mathcal{U}$ is a saturated formation, we have $G \in \mathcal{U}$, a contradiction.

$$(1.2) \quad \Phi(G) \cap N = 1.$$

If $N = 1$, nothing need to prove, so we may assume that $N \neq 1$, the solvability of N implies that $F(N) \neq 1$. By Lemma 2.5, $F(N)$ is the direct product of minimal normal subgroups of G contained in N . For any maximal subgroup M of G , if $F(N) \leq M$, then $G \in \mathcal{U}$ by Lemma 2.12, a contradiction. So we may assume that there at least exists a maximal subgroup M of G not containing $F(N)$. Actually, since $F(N) \not\leq M$, there at least exists a prime p of $\pi(|N|)$ with $O_p(H) \not\leq M$. Then $G = O_p(H)M$ as $O_p(H) \trianglelefteq G$. If $|O_p(H)| = p$, then $|G:M| = p$ and hence $G \in \mathcal{F}$ by Lemma 2.12. If $|O_p(H)| > p$ and $O_p(H)$ is cyclic, then we have $\Phi(O_p(H)) \neq 1$. Clearly, $G/\Phi(O_p(H))$ satisfies the condition of the theorem, the minimal choice of G implies that $G/\Phi(O_p(H))$ is supersolvable and hence G is supersolvable since G is a saturated formation, a contradiction.

Denote $P = O_p(H)$. Then P is the direct product of some minimal normal subgroup of G . So we may assume that $P = R_1 \times \dots \times R_t$, where R_i is a minimal normal subgroup of G , $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$. If every R_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, t$) is of prime order, there exist at least a minimal normal subgroup R_j of G contained in $O_p(H)$ such that $R_j \not\leq M$. Since $G = R_j M$ and $|R_j| = p$, we get that M have a prime index in G and hence $G \in \mathcal{F}$ by Lemma 2.12, a contradiction.

Hence, we assume that there exist at least a minimal normal R_i of G contained in N which is not of prime order. Without loss of generality, suppose that $i = 1$.

Since $R_1 \not\leq \Phi(G)$, there exists a maximal subgroup H of G such that $G = R_1 H$ and $R_1 \cap H = 1$. Then $G_p = R_1 H_p$ where H_p is the Sylow p -subgroup of H . Pick a maximal subgroup G_p^* of G_p containing H_p . Then $|R_1 : G_p^* \cap R_1| = |R_1 G_p^* : G_p^*| = |G_p : G_p^*| = p$. Hence $R_1^* = G_p^* \cap R_1$ is a maximal subgroup of R_1 . This implies that $P_1 = R_1^* R_2 \cdots R_t$ is a maximal subgroup of P . By hypotheses, if P_1 has a c -supplement in G , then there exists a subgroup K such that $G = P_1 K$ and $P_1 \cap K = (P_1)_G$ by Lemma 2.2(4). Evidently $(P_1)_G = R_2 \times \cdots \times R_t$. So $G = P_1 K = R_1^* (P_1)_G K = R_1^* K$, moreover $R_1^* \cap K = 1 \leq (R_1^*)_G$. Hence R_1^* is c -supplemented in G by the definition of c -supplemented subgroup. By Lemma 2.2(5), R_1 is a cyclic group of prime order, a contradiction.

So we may assume that P_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , that is, there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = P_1 B$ and $TB < G$ for any maximal subgroup

T of P_1 . By Lemma 2.3, $|G : TB| = p$ and hence TB is the maximal subgroup of G . Therefore $R_1 \leq TB$ or $R_1 \cap TB = 1$. If $R_1 \leq TB$, then $TB = G$, a contradiction. If $R_1 \cap TB = 1$, then $|G : TB| = |R_1| = p$, a contradiction.

- 2) Every proper normal subgroup H of G containing $F^*(G)$ is supersolvable.

By Lemma 2.11, $F^*(G) = F^*(F^*(G)) \leq F^*(H) \leq F^*(G)$, so $F^*(H) = F^*(G)$. And if every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroups of $F^*(H)$ has no c -supplement in H , then has no c -supplement in G , by hypotheses, is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G and hence is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in H by Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2. Hence H is supersolvable by the minimal choice of G .

- 3) $\Phi(G) < F(G)$.

If every Sylow subgroup of $F(G)$ is cyclic, then we denote that $F(G) = H_1 \times \cdots \times H_r$ where $H_i (i = 1, \dots, r)$ is the cyclic Sylow of $F(G)$ and hence $G/C_G(H_i)$ is abelian for any $i \in \{1 \cdots r\}$. Moreover, we have

$$\frac{G}{\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_G(H_i)} = \frac{G}{C_G(F(G))}$$

is abelian and hence $G/F(G)$ is abelian since $C_G(F(G)) = C_G(F^*(G)) \leq F(G)$. Therefore G is solvable, a contradiction. Let P be a noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F(G)$ and P_1 be a maximal subgroup of P . If P_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G by hypotheses. Then there exists a subgroup B in G such that $G = P_1 B$ and $TB < G$ for every maximal subgroup T of P_1 . If $F(G) = \Phi(G)$, then $G = P_1 B = B$, a contradiction. So we may assume that every maximal subgroup P_1 of P has a c -supplement in G , then there exists a subgroup K of G such that $G = P_1 K$ and $P_1 \cap K = (P_1)_G$. If $\Phi(G) = F(G)$, then $G = K$ and hence P_1 is normal in G . Therefore G is supersolvable by Lemma 2.13, a contradiction.

- 4) $G = O_p(G)M$ where M is a maximal subgroup of G .

Since $\Phi(G) < F(G)$, for any Sylow subgroup $O_p(G)$ of $F(G)$ such that $O_p(G) \not\leq \Phi(G)$, there exists the maximal subgroup M of G such that $O_p(G) \not\leq M$ and $G = O_p(G)M$.

- 5) $|O_p(G)| = p$.

If $|O_p(G)| = p$, then set $C = C_G(O_p(G))$. Clearly, $F(G) \leq C \trianglelefteq G$. If $C < G$, then C is solvable by 2). On the other hand, since G/C is cyclic, we have G is solvable and hence G is supersolvable 1), a contradiction. So we may assume $C = G$. Now we have $O_p(G) \leq Z(G)$. Then we consider factor group $G/O_p(G)$. By Lemma 2.11, we have $F^*(G/O_p(G)) = F^*(G)/O_p(G) = F(G)/O_p(G)$. In fact, every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F^*(G/O_p(G))$ having no c -supplement in $G/O_p(G)$, is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in $G/O_p(G)$ by Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2. Therefore the minimal choice of G implies that $G/O_p(G) \in \mathcal{U}$ and hence G is supersolvable, a contradiction.

6) $|O_p(G)| > p$.

So we may assume that $|O_p(G)| > p$. If $\Phi(O_p(G)) \neq 1$, then we easy to know that factor group $G/\Phi(O_p(G))$ satisfies the condition of the theorem. The minimal choice of G implies that $G/\Phi(O_p(G))$ is supersolvable and hence G is supersolvable since the class of all supersolvable groups is a saturated formation, a contradiction. Therefore, $\Phi(O_p(G)) = 1$ and $O_p(G)$ is an elementary abelian p -group. Let P_1 be a maximal subgroup of $O_p(G)$.

If P_1 is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then there exists a subgroup B of G such that $G = P_1B$ and $TB < G$ for every maximal subgroup T of P_1 . By Lemma 2.3, $|G:TB| = p$ and $P_1 \cap B = T \cap B$ for every maximal subgroup T of P_1 . Therefore we have

$$P_1 \cap B = \bigcap_{T < P_1} (T \cap B) = \Phi(P_1) \cap B.$$

On the other hand $P_1 \trianglelefteq O_p(G)$ and hence $\Phi(P_1) \leq \Phi(O_p(G)) = 1$. So we have $P_1 \cap B = \Phi(P_1) \cap B = 1$. Therefore, if the maximal subgroup P_1 of the Sylow subgroup of $F^*(G)$ is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , we have that P_1 is complemented in G and hence c -supplemented in G . By hypotheses and 3), we have every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup is c -supplemented in G and hence G is supersolvable by Lemma 2.13, a contradiction.

Case 2. $\mathcal{F} \neq \mathcal{U}$.

By case 1, H is supersolvable. Particularly, H is solvable and hence $F^*(H) = F(H)$. Therefore $G \in \mathcal{F}$ by case 1.

The final contradiction completes our proof.

Corollary 3.6. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$. Suppose that G is a finite group with a normal subgroup H such that $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$. If every*

maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F^(H)$ is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Corollary 3.7. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$. Suppose that G is a finite group with a normal subgroup H such that $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$. If every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F^*(H)$ has c -supplement in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Corollary 3.8. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing all supersolvable groups and H be a solvable normal subgroup of G such that $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$. If every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F(H)$ having no c -supplement in G is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Corollary 3.9. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$. Suppose that G is a finite group with a solvable normal subgroup H such that $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$. If every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F(H)$ is $\mathcal{M}$ -supplemented in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

Corollary 3.10. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a saturated formation containing $\mathcal{U}$. Suppose that G is a finite group with a solvable normal subgroup H such that $G/H \in \mathcal{F}$. If every maximal subgroup of noncyclic Sylow subgroup of $F(H)$ has c -supplement in G , then $G \in \mathcal{F}$.*

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