

**25.** Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $A$  a subgroup of its automorphism group such that  $(|G|, |A|) = 1$ . Suppose that  $(G_i : 0 \leq i \leq n)$  is an  $A$ -invariant normal series for  $G$  such that  $A$  centralizes (i.e. acts trivially on)  $G_{i+1}/G_i$  for  $0 \leq i < n$ . Show that  $A$  centralizes  $G$  (so  $A = 1$ ). Produce a counterexample when  $(|G|, |A|) \neq 1$ .

HINT: Reduce to the case when  $A$  is a  $p$ -group and look at orbit sizes modulo  $p$ .

**26.** Let  $G$  act transitively on set  $X$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $H = G_x$ , and  $K \leq H$ . Let  $S$  be the subset of  $X$  of elements fixed by  $K$ . Show that  $N_G(K)$  is transitive on  $S$  if and only if  $K^G \cap H = K^H$ .

**27.** Show that every group of order 30 is isomorphic to one and only one of the following groups:  $C_{30}, C_5 \times D_6, C_3 \times D_{10}, D_{30}$ .

HINT: Show that  $G$  is an extension of  $C_{15}$  by  $C_2$ .

**28.** Show that for every integer  $n \geq 1$  there exists a solvable finite group of derived length  $n$  (i.e.  $G^{(n-1)} \neq G^{(n)} = 1$ ).

HINT: Show that if  $G$  is a finite group of derived length  $n$ , then the wreath product of  $G$  with  $C_2$ ,  $G \wr C_2$ , has derived length  $n + 1$ .