

# On the Structure of Some Groups Containing $PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}$

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**Abstract**—In this paper, we will generate the wreath product  $PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}$  using only two permutations. Also, we will show the structure of some groups containing the wreath product  $PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}$ . The structure of the groups founded is determined in terms of wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}) wr C_k$ . Some related cases are also included. Also, we will show that  $S_{77k+1}$  and  $A_{77k+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}) wr C_k$  and a transposition in  $S_{77k+1}$  and an element of order 3 in  $A_{77k+1}$ . We will also show that  $S_{77k+1}$  and  $A_{77k+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}$  and an element of order  $k + 1$ .

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Hammam and Al-Amri [1], have shown that  $A_{2n+1}$  of degree  $2n + 1$  can be generated using a copy of  $S_n$  and an element of order 3 in  $A_{2n+1}$ . They also gave the symmetric generating set of Groups  $A_{kn+1}$  and  $S_{kn+1}$  using  $S_n$  [5].

Shafee [2] showed that the groups  $A_{kn+1}$  and  $S_{kn+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $A_m wr S_a$  and an element of order  $k+1$ . Also she showed how to generate  $S_{kn+1}$  and  $A_{kn+1}$  symmetrically using  $n$  elements each of order  $k+1$ .

In [3], Shafee and Al-Amri have shown that the groups  $A_{110k+1}$  and  $S_{110k+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $L_2(9) wr M_{11}$  and an element of order  $k+1$ .

$PSL(2,7)$  and  $M_{11}$  are two groups of the well known simple groups. In [6], they are fully described. In a matter of fact, they

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can be faintly presented in different ways. They have presentations in [6] as follows :

$$PSL(2,7) = \langle X, Y \mid X^7 = (X^4 Y)^4 = (XY)^3 = Y^2 = 1 \rangle$$

$$M_{11} = \langle X, Y, Z \mid X^{11} = Y^5 = (XZ)^3 = 1, X^Y = X^4 = Y^Z = Y^2 \rangle$$

$PSL(2,7)$  can be generated using two permutations, the first is of order 7 and an involution as follows :  $PSL(2,7) = \langle (1,2,3,4,5,6,7)(1,2)(3,5) \rangle$ .

$M_{11}$  can be generated using two permutations, the first is of order 11 and two cycles each of order 4 as follow:

$$M_{11} = \langle (1,2,\dots,11)(1,2,3,7,6)(4,8,5,9,10) \rangle$$

In this paper, we will generate the wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}) wr C_k$  using only two permutations. Also, we show the structure of some groups containing the wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}) wr C_k$ . The structure of the groups founded is determined in terms of wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}) wr C_k$ . Some related cases are also included. Also, we will show that  $S_{77k+1}$  and  $A_{77k+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}) wr C_k$  and a transposition in  $S_{77k+1}$  and an element of order 3 in  $A_{77k+1}$ . We will also show that  $S_{77k+1}$  and  $A_{77k+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) wr M_{11}) wr C_k$  and an element of order  $k + 1$ .

## II. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

**DEFINITION 2.1.[6]** The general linear group  $GL_n(q)$  consists of all the  $n \times n$  matrices that have non-zero determinant over the field  $F_q$  with  $q$ -elements. The special linear group  $SL_n(q)$  is the subgroup of  $GL_n(q)$  which consists of all matrices of determinant one. The projective general linear group  $PGL_n(q)$  and projective special general linear group  $PSL_n(q)$  are the groups obtained from  $GL_n(q)$  and  $SL_n(q)$ . The projective special general linear group  $PSL_n(q)$  is also denoted by  $L_n(q)$ . The orders of these groups are

$$|GL_n(q)| = (q-1)N, |SL_n(q)| = PGL_n(q) = N, |PSL_n(q)| = L_n(q) = \frac{N}{d},$$

where

$$N = q^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} (q^n - 1)(q^{n-1} - 1)\dots(q^2 - 1) \text{ and } d = (q-1, n)$$

**DEFINITION 2.2.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be groups of permutations on non empty sets  $\Omega_1$  and  $\Omega_2$  respectively.

The wreath product of  $A$  and  $B$  is denote by  $A \text{ wr } B$  and defined as  $A \text{ wr } B = A^{\Omega_2} \times_{\theta} B$ , i.e., the direct product of  $|\Omega_2|$  copies of  $A$  and a mapping  $\theta$

**THEOREM 2.3 (Jordan-Moore) [7]** The group  $PSL_n(q)$  is simple if and only if  $q \geq 3$ .

**THEOREM 2.4 [4]** Let  $G$  be the group generated by the  $n$ -cycle  $(1, 2, \dots, n)$  and the 2-cycle  $(n, a)$ . If  $1 < a < n$  is an integer with  $n = am$ , then  $G \cong S_m \text{ wr } C_a$ .

**THEOREM 2.5 [4]** Let  $1 \leq a \neq b < n$  be any integers. Let  $n$  be an odd integer and let  $G$  be the group generated by the  $n$ -cycle  $(1, 2, \dots, n)$  and the 3-cycle  $(n, a, b)$ . If the  $hcf(n, a, b) = 1$ , then  $G = A_n$ . While if  $n$  can be an even then  $G = S_n$ .

**THEOREM 2.6 [4]** Let  $1 \leq a < n$  be any integer. Let  $G = \langle (1, 2, \dots, n), (n, a) \rangle$ . If  $h.c.f.(n, a) = 1$ , then  $G = S_n$ .

**THEOREM 2.7 [4]** Let  $1 \leq a \neq b < n$  be any integers. Let  $n$  be an even integer and let  $G$  be the group generated by the  $(n-1)$ -cycle  $(1, 2, \dots, n-1)$  and 3-cycle  $(n, a, b)$ . Then  $G = A_n$ .

### III. THE RESULTS

**THEOREM 3.1** The wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11}) \text{ wr } C_k$  can be generated using two permutations, the first is of order 252 and the second is of order 4.

**Proof :** Let  $G = \langle X, Y \rangle$ , where:  $X = (1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 77)$ , which is a cycle of order 252,  $Y = (1, 9)(2, 6)(4, 5)(7, 8)(12, 20, 23, 31)(13, 17)(15, 16)(18, 19)(24, 28)(26, 27)(29, 30)(34, 42, 56, 64)(35, 39)(37, 38)(40, 41)(45, 53)(46, 50)(48, 49)(51, 52)(57, 61)(59, 60)(62, 63)(67, 75)(68, 72)(70, 71)(73, 74)$ , which is the product of two cycles each of order 4 and twenty four transpositions. Let  $\alpha_1 = (XY)^6 [X, Y]^8$ . Then

$$\alpha_1 = (17, 22, 33, 44, 55, 66, 77),$$

which is a cycle of order 7. Let  $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1^{-1} X$ . It is easy to show that

$$\alpha_2 = (1, 2, 3, \dots, 11)(12, 13, 14, \dots, 22) \dots (67, 68, 69, \dots, 77),$$

which is the product of seven cycles each of order 11. Let:

$$\beta_1 = (Y^2)^{(XY)^{18}} = (9, 20)(12, 23)(31, 53)(34, 56),$$

$$\beta_2 = \beta_1 Y^{-1} = (1, 9, 12, 20)(2, 6)(4, 5)(7, 8)(13, 17)(15, 16)(18, 19)(23, 31, 45, 53)(24, 28)(26, 27)(29, 30)(34, 42)(35, 39)(37, 38)(40, 41)(46, 50)(48, 49)(51, 52)(56, 64)(57, 61)(59, 60)(62, 63)(67, 75)(68, 72)(70, 71)(73, 74),$$

$$\beta_3 = (Y^3 \beta_2)^2 = (1, 45)(12, 23), \quad \beta_4 = \beta_3^{(\alpha_2^{-1} \alpha_1^3)} = (11,$$

$$44)(55, 66) \text{ and } \beta_5 = \beta_4^{\beta_3^{\alpha_2^{-1}}} = (11, 66)(44, 55). \text{ Let } \alpha_3 = \beta_5^{\beta_3^{(\alpha_2^{-1} \alpha_1)}}. \text{ Hence}$$

$$\alpha_3 = (11, 22)(33, 55).$$

Let  $\alpha_4 = Y X^{-1} \alpha_3^{-1} X$ . We can conclude that

$$\alpha_4 = (1,9)(2,6)(4,5)(7,8)(12,20)(13,17)(15,16)(18,19)(23,31)(24,28)(26,27)(29,30)(34,42)(35,39)(37,38)(40,41)(45,53)(46,50)(48,49)(51,52)(56,64)(57,61)(59,60)(62,63)(67,75)(68,72)(70,71)(73,74),$$

which is the product of twenty eight transpositions. Let  $K = \langle \alpha_2, \alpha_4 \rangle$ . Let  $\theta: K \rightarrow L_2(11)$  be the mapping defined by

$$\theta(11i+j) = j \quad \forall 0 \leq i \leq 6, \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq 11$$

Since  $\theta(\alpha_2) = (1, 2, \dots, 11)$  and  $\theta(\alpha_4) = (1, 9)(2, 6)(4, 5)(7, 8)$ ,

$$\text{then } K \cong \theta(K) = M_{11}. \quad \text{Let } H_0 = \langle \alpha_1, \alpha_3 \rangle.$$

Then  $H_0 \cong PSL(2,7)$ . Moreover,  $K$  conjugates  $H_0$  into  $H_1$ ,

$H_1$  into  $H_2$  and so it conjugates  $H_{10}$  into  $H_0$ , where

$$H_i = \langle (i, 1+2i, 22+i, 33+i, 44+i, 55+i, 66+i)(i, 1+i)(22+i, 44+i) \rangle \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq 10.$$

Hence we get  $PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11} \subseteq G$ .

On the other hand, Since  $X = \alpha_1 \alpha_2$  and  $Y = \alpha_4 \alpha_3^X$ , then  $G \subseteq PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11}$ . Hence

$$G = PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11} \quad \diamond$$

**THEOREM 3.2** The wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11}) \text{ wr } C_k$  can be generated using two permutations, the first is of order  $77k$  and an involution, for all integers  $k \geq 1$ .

**Proof :** Let  $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 77k)$  and  $\tau = (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15k, 16k)(18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34k, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k, 39k)(37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k)(59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k)$ . If  $k=1$ , then we get the group  $PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11}$  which can be considered as the trivial wreath product  $PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11} \text{ wr } \langle \text{id} \rangle$ . Assume that  $k > 1$ .

Let  $\alpha = \prod_{i=0}^{11} \tau^{\sigma^{ik}}$ , we get an element  $\delta = \alpha^{45} = (k, 2k, 3k,$

$\dots, 77k)$ . Let  $G_i = \langle \delta^{\sigma^i}, \tau^{\sigma^i} \rangle$ , be the groups acts on the sets

$$\Gamma_i = \{ i, k+i, 2k+i, \dots, 76k+i \}, \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq k.$$

Since  $\bigcap_{i=1}^k \Gamma_i = \emptyset$ , then we get the direct product  $G_1 \times G_2 \times$

$\dots \times G_k$ , where, by theorem 3.1 each  $G_i \cong PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11}$ .

Let  $\beta = \delta^{-1} \sigma = (1, 2, \dots, k)(k+1, k+2, \dots, 2k) \dots (76k+1,$

$76k+2, \dots, 77k)$ . Let  $H = \langle \beta \rangle \cong C_k$ .  $H$  conjugates  $G_1$

into  $G_2$ ,  $G_2$  into  $G_3, \dots$  and  $G_k$  into  $G_1$ . Hence we get

the wreath product  $(PSL(2,7) \text{ wr } M_{11}) \text{ wr } C_k \subseteq G$ . On the other hand, since  $\delta \beta = (1, 2, \dots, k, k+1, k+2, \dots, 2k, \dots,$

$76k+1, 76k+2, \dots, 77k = \sigma$ , then  $\sigma \in (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrC_k$ .

Hence  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong (PSL(2,3)wrM_{11})wrC_k$ .

**THEOREM 3.3** The wreath product  $(PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrS_k$  can be

generated using three permutations, the first is of order  $77k$ , the second and the third are involutions, for all  $k \geq 2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 77k)$ ,  $\tau = (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15k, 16k)(18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34k, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k, 39k)(37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k)(59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k)$  and  $\mu = (1, 2)(k+1, k+2)(2k+1, 2k+2) \dots (76k+1, 76k+2)$ . Since by Theorem 3.2,  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrC_k$  and  $(1, 2, \dots, k)(k+1, k+2, \dots, 2k) \dots (76k+1, \dots, 77k) \in (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrC_k$

then  $\langle (1, \dots, k)(k+1, \dots, 2k) \dots (76k+1, \dots, 77k), \mu \rangle \cong S_k$ .

Hence  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrS_k$ .

**COROLLARY 3.4** The wreath product  $(PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrA_k$  can be generated using three permutations, the first is of order  $77k$ , the second is an involution and the third is of order 3, for all odd integers  $k \geq 3$ .

**THEOREM 3.5** The wreath product  $(PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wr(S_m wrC_a)$  can be generated using three permutations, the first is of order  $252k$ , the second and the third are involutions, where  $k = am$  be any integer with  $1 < a < k$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 77k)$ ,  $\tau = (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15k, 16k)(18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34k, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k, 39k)(37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k)(59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k)$  and  $\mu = (k, a)(2k, k+a)(3k, 2k+a) \dots (77k, 76k+a)$ . Since by Theorem 3.2,  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrC_k$  and  $(1, \dots, k)(k+1, \dots, 2k) \dots (251k+1, \dots, 77k) \in (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrC_k$  then  $\langle (1, \dots, k)(k+1, \dots, 2k) \dots (76k+1, \dots, 77k), \mu \rangle \cong (S_m wrC_a)$ . Hence  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle \cong (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wr(S_m wrC_a)$ .

**THEOREM 3.6**  $S_{77k+1}$  and  $A_{77k+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $(PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrC_k$  and a transposition in  $S_{77k+1}$  for all integers  $k > 1$  and an element of order 3 in  $A_{77k+1}$  for all odd integers  $k > 1$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\sigma = (1, 2, \dots, 77k)$ ,  $\tau = (k, 9k)(2k, 6k)(4k, 5k)(7k, 8k)(12k, 20k, 23k, 31k)(13k, 17k)(15k, 16k)(18k, 19k)(24k, 28k)(26k, 27k)(29k, 30k)(34k, 42k, 56k, 64k)(35k, 39k)(37k, 38k)(40k, 41k)(45k, 53k)(46k, 50k)(48k, 49k)(51k, 52k)(57k, 61k)(59k, 60k)(62k, 63k)(67k, 75k)(68k, 72k)(70k, 71k)$ ,  $\mu = (252k+1, 1)$  and  $\mu' = (1, k, 252k+1)$  be four permutations, of order  $77k, 2, 2$  and  $3$  respectively. Let

$H = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$ . By theorem 3.2

$H \cong (PSL(2,7)wrM_{11})wrC_k$ .

**Case 1:** Let  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle$ . Let  $\alpha = \sigma\mu$ , then  $\alpha = (1, 2, \dots, 77k, 77k+1)$  which is a cycle of order  $77k+1$ . By theorem 2.6  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu' \rangle \cong \langle \alpha, \mu \rangle \cong S_{77k+1}$ .

**Case 2:** Let  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu' \rangle$ . By theorem 2.7  $\langle \sigma, \mu' \rangle \cong A_{77k+1}$ . Since  $\tau$  is an even permutation, then  $G \cong A_{77k+1}$ .

**THEOREM 3.7**  $S_{77k+1}$  and  $A_{77k+1}$  can be generated using the wreath product  $PSL(2,7)wrM_{11}$  and an element of order  $k+1$  in  $S_{77k+1}$  and  $A_{77k+1}$  for all integers  $k \geq 1$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle$ , where,  $\sigma = (1, 2, 3, \dots, 77(k-(k-1))+1, \dots, 77(k-(k-1))+77) \dots (77(k-1)+1, \dots, 77(k-1)+77)$ ,  $\tau = (1, 9)(2, 6)(4, 5)(7, 8)(12, 20, 23, 31)(13, 17)(15, 16)(18, 19)(24, 28)(26, 27)(29, 30)(34, 42, 56, 64)(35, 39)(37, 38)(40, 41)(45, 53)(46, 50)(48, 49)(51, 52)(57, 61)(59, 60)(62, 63)(67, 75)(68, 72)(70, 71)(73, 74) \dots (77(k-1)+1, 77(k-1)+9) \dots (77(k-1)+73, 77(k-1)+74)$ , and  $\mu = (77, 154, \dots, 77k, 77k+1)$ , where  $k-i > 0$ , be three permutations of order  $77, 4$  and  $k+1$  respectively. Let  $H = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$ . Define the mapping  $\theta$  as follows;

$$\theta(11(k-i)+j) = j \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq k, \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq 11$$

Hence  $H = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \cong PSL(2,7)wrM_{11}$ . Let  $\alpha = \mu\sigma$  it is easy to show that  $\alpha = (1, 2, 3, \dots, 77k+1)$ , which is a cycle of order  $77k+1$ . Let

$\mu' = \mu^\sigma = (1, 78, \dots, 77(k-1)+1, 77k+1)$  and  $\beta = [\mu, \mu'] = (1, 77, 77k+1)$ . Since  $h.c.f(1, 77, 77k+1)$ ,

then by theorem 2.5  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau, \mu \rangle \cong \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle S_{77k+1}$  or  $A_{77k+1}$  depending on whether  $k$  is an odd or an even integer respectively.

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