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(4) Suppose that $|G| = pq$ where p and q are primes. Let $Z(G)$ be the center of G . By Lagrange, $|Z(G)| = 1, p, q,$ or pq .

Case 1: $|Z(G)| = pq$ In this case $G = Z(G)$ and so G is abelian.

Case 2: $|Z(G)| = p$ Then $|G/Z(G)| = q$.

Since q is prime, $G/Z(G)$ is cyclic.

By 3.1 #36, G is abelian.

Case 3: $|Z(G)| = q$ This is the same

as the $|Z(G)| = p$ case.

Case 4: $|Z(G)| = 1$ This is one

of the outcomes in the statement of the problem.

So, in summary, either G is abelian or $Z(G) = \{1\}$.

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⑧ Suppose that $|H|=h$ and $|K|=k$
and $\gcd(h,k)=1$. ~~So, $|H \cap K|=1$.~~

Let $n = |H \cap K|$. Since, ~~So, $H \cap K \leq H$,~~
by Lagrange, n divides h .

Since $H \cap K \leq K$, by Lagrange, ~~n~~ divides k .

So, $n = 1$ since $\gcd(h,k)=1$.

So, $H \cap K = \{1\}$.

⑩ We did this one in class.