

# Non-abelian tensor square and related constructions of finite $p$ -groups

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## Abstract

The non-abelian tensor square of a group, as defined in [2, 3], plays an important role both in group theory and in geometry. In [4], Rocco presented a new tool to deal with the non-abelian tensor square of a group  $G$ . Indeed, he considered a new group  $\nu(G)$ , whose derived subgroup contains a copy of  $G \otimes G$ . Therefore, in the context of  $\nu(G)$  all the commutator calculus can be used.

In this talk we will describe new results obtained jointly with R. Bastos, E. de Melo and N. Gonçalves [1], concerning the problem to determine bounds for the exponent of  $\nu(G)$  and  $G \otimes G$  when  $G$  is a finite  $p$ -group. More specifically, we came out with new upper bounds for  $\exp(\nu(G))$  and  $\exp(G \otimes G)$ , depending on  $\exp(G)$  and either the nilpotency class or the coclass of  $G$ .

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