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ON PRIMITIVE PERMUTATION GROUPS WITH THE STABILIZER OF TWO POINTS NORMAL IN THE STABILIZER OF ONE OF THEM: THE CASE WHEN THE SOCLE IS A POWER OF A GROUP $E_8(Q)$ **A. V. Konygin**

Assume that G is a primitive permutation group on a finite set X , $x \in X \setminus \{x\}$, and $G_{x,y} \trianglelefteq G_x$. P. Cameron raised the question about the validity of the equality $G_{x,y} = 1$ in this case. The author proved earlier that, if the socle of G is not a power of a group isomorphic to $E_8(q)$ for a prime power q , then $G_{x,y} = 1$. In the present paper, we consider the case where the socle of G is a power of a group isomorphic to $E_8(q)$. Together with the previous result, we establish the following two statements. 1. Let G be an almost simple primitive permutation group on a finite set X . Assume that, if the socle of G is isomorphic to $E_8(q)$, then G_x for $x \in X$ is not the Borovik subgroup of G . Then the answer to Cameron's question for such primitive permutation groups is affirmative. 2. Let G be a primitive permutation group on a finite set X with the property $G \leq \text{Hwr}S_m$. Assume that, if the socle of H is isomorphic to $E_8(q)$, then the stabilizer of a point in the group H is not the Borovik subgroup of H . Then the answer to Cameron's question for such primitive permutation groups is also affirmative.

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