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## ON PERIODIC GROUPS WITH A FINITE NONTRIVIAL SYLOW 2-SUBGROUP

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The following results are proved. Let  $d$  be a natural number, and let  $G$  be a group of finite even exponent such that each of its finite subgroups is contained in a subgroup isomorphic to a direct product of  $m$  dihedral groups, where  $m \leq d$ . Then  $G$  is finite (and isomorphic to a direct product of at most  $d$  dihedral groups). Next, suppose that  $G$  is a periodic group and  $p$  is an odd prime. If every finite subgroup of  $G$  is contained in a subgroup isomorphic to a direct product  $D_1 \times D_2$ , where  $D_i$  is a dihedral group of order  $2p^{r_i}$  with natural  $r_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , then  $G = M_1 \times M_2$ , where  $M_i = \langle H_i, t_i \rangle$ ,  $t_i$  is an element of order 2,  $H_i$  is a locally cyclic  $p$ -group, and  $h^{t_i} = h^{-1}$  for every  $h \in H_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Now, suppose that  $d$  is a natural number and  $G$  is a solvable periodic group such that every of its finite subgroups is contained in a subgroup isomorphic to a direct product of at most  $d$  dihedral groups. Then  $G$  is locally finite and is an extension of an abelian normal subgroup by an elementary abelian 2-subgroup of order at most  $2^{2d}$ .

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