1078-20-107 I. M. Isaacs* (isaacs@math.wisc.edu), Math. Dept., University of Wisconsin, 480 Lincoln Dr., Madison, WI 53706, and Gabriel Navarro (gabriel@uv.es). Groups whose real irreducible characters have degrees coprime to p.

A well-known theorem of N. Ito asserts that if G is solvable and no irreducible character of G has degree divisible by a given prime p, then G has a normal abelian Sylow p-subgroup. (The solvability requirement was later removed by G. Michler, using the simple group classification.) In this paper, we consider what happens if only the real-valued irreducible characters of G are assumed to have degrees coprime to p, where p > 2.

Tiep showed that in this situation, G must have a solvable normal subgroup with p'-index. We take Tiep's conclusion as a starting point, and we prove that G has a normal subgroup K of odd index such that K has has a normal Sylow p-subgroup. We show, furthermore, that every real element of G normalizes some Sylow p-subgroup of G. (Received November 28, 2011)