# SOME REMARKS ON (m, n)-RINGS

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Abstract. Among the results of the paper is the following proposition. Let (Q, A, M) be an (m, n)-ring and let O the  $\{1, m\}$ -neutral operation of the m-group (Q, A). Then for every  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  and for every  $a_1^{n-1}, c_1^{m-2} \in Q$  the following equality holds

$$M(a_1^{i-1}, \mathcal{O}(c_1^{m-2}), a_i^{n-1}) = \mathcal{O}(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}\Big|_{j=1}^{m-2}).$$

#### 1. Preliminaries

- 1.1. Definition: Let  $n \geq 2$  and let (Q, A) be an n-groupoid. We say that (Q, A) is a Dörnte n-group [briefly: n-group] iff is an n-semigroup and an n-quasigroup as well.
- **1.2.** Proposition [11]: Let  $n \ge 2$  and let (Q, A) be an n-groupoid. Then the following statements are equivalent: (i) (Q, A) is an n-group; (ii) there are mappings  $^{-1}$  and e respectively of the sets  $Q^{n-1}$  and  $Q^{n-2}$  into the set Q such that the following laws hold in the algebra  $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, e\})$  [of the type  $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, e\})$ ].

(a) 
$$A(x_1^{n-2}, A(x_{n-1}^{2n-2}), x_{2n-1}) = A(x_1^{n-1}, A(x_n^{2n-1})),$$

(b) 
$$A(e(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, x) = x$$

(c) 
$$A((a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, a) = e(a_1^{n-2}); and$$

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notion of a group. See, also [5-7].

(iii) there are mappings  $^{-1}$  and e respectively of the sets  $Q^{n-1}$  and  $Q^{n-2}$  into the set Q such that the following laws hold in the algebra  $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, e\})$  [of the type < n, n-1, n-2 >]

$$(\overline{a}) \ A(A(x_1^n), x_{n+1}^{2n-1}) = A(x_1, A(x_2^{n+1}), x_{n+2}^{2n-1}),$$

$$(\overline{b}) \ A(x, a_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})) = x \ and$$

$$(\overline{c}) \ A(a, a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1}) = e(a_1^{n-2}).$$

1.3. Remarks: e is an  $\{1,n\}$ -neutral operation of n-groupoid (Q,A) iff algebra  $(Q,\{A,e\})$  of type < n,n-2> satisfies the laws (b) and  $(\bar{b})$  from 1.2 [:[8]]. The notion of  $\{i,j\}$ -neutral operation  $(i,j\in\{1,\ldots,n\},i< j)$  of an n-groupoid is defined in a similar way [:[8]]. Every n-groupoid has at most one  $\{i,j\}$ -neutral operation [:[8]]. In every n-group,  $(n\geq 2)$ , there is an  $\{1,n\}$ -neutral operation [:[8]]. There are n-groups without  $\{i,j\}$ -neutral operations with  $\{i,j\} \neq \{1,n\}$  [:[10]]. In [10], n-groups with  $\{i,j\}$ -neutral operations, for  $\{i,j\} \neq \{1,n\}$  are described. Operation  $^{-1}$  from 1.2  $[(c),(\bar{c})]$  is a generalization of the inversing operation in a group. In fact, if (Q,A) is an n-group,  $n\geq 2$ , then for every  $a\in Q$  and for every sequence  $a_1^{n-2}$  over Q is

$$(a_1^{n-2},a)^{-1} \stackrel{def}{=} \mathsf{E}(a_1^{n-2},a,a_1^{n-2}),$$

where E is an  $\{1, 2n-1\}$ -neutral operation of the (2n-1)-group (Q, A);  $\stackrel{2}{A}(x_1^{2n-1}) \stackrel{def}{=} A(A(x_1^n), x_{n+1}^{2n-1})$  [:[9]]. (For  $n=2, a^{-1}=\mathsf{E}(a)$ ;  $a^{-1}$  is the inverse element of the element a with respect to the neutral element  $\mathsf{e}(\emptyset)$  of the group (Q, A).)

- 1.4. Proposition [10]: Let  $n \geq 3$ , let (Q, A) be an n-group and e its  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation. Then the following statements are equivalent: (i) (Q, A) is a commutative n-group; and (ii) e is an  $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operation of the n-group (Q, A) for every  $\{i, j\} \subseteq \{1, \ldots, n\}, i < j$ .
- **1.5.** Definition: Let (Q, A) be an commutative m-group and  $m \geq 2$ . Let also (Q, M) be an n-groupoid (n-semigroup in [2,3]) and  $n \geq 2$ . We say that (Q, A, M) is an (m, n)-ring iff for every  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  and for every  $a_1^{n-1}, b_1^m \in Q$  the following equality holds

(o) 
$$M(a_1^{i-1}, A(b_1^m), a_i^{n-1}) = A(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, b_j, a_i^{n-1})}\Big|_{j=1}^m).$$

A notion of an (m, n)-ring was introduced by G. Čupona in [2] as a generalization of the notion of a ring. See, also [3, 4].

## 2. Results

**2.1.** Theorem: Let (Q, A, M) be an (m, n)-ring and let  $\mathbb{O}$  the  $\{1, m\}$ -neutral operation of the m-group (Q,A) [:1.2,1.3]. Then for every  $i \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$ and for every  $a_1^{n-1}, c_1^{m-2} \in Q$  the following equality holds

 $M(a_1^{i-1}, O(c_1^{m-2}), a_i^{n-1}) = O(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{i=1}^{m-2}).$ Proof. 1) Let

(2)  $A^{-1}(a_1^{n-1}, x) = y \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} A(a_1^{n-1}, y) = x$ for every  $a_1^{n-1}, x, y \in Q$ . Then the following statements hold:

1° For every  $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$  and for every  $a_1^{n-1}, c_1^{m-2}, x, y \in Q$  the following equality holds

 $M(a_1^{i-1}, A^{-1}(x, c_1^{m-2}, y), a_i^{n-1}) =$ 

$$A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1},x,a_i^{n-1}),\overline{M(a_1^{i-1},c_j,a_i^{n-1})\big|_{j=1}^{m-2}},M(a_1^{i-1},y,a_i^{n-1})).$$

2° For every  $c_1^{m-2}, x \in Q$  the following equality holds  $A^{-1}(x, c_1^{m-2}, x) = O(c_1^{m-2})$ .

Sketch of the proof of 1°:

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$$A^{-1}(x, c_1^{m-2}, y) = z \Leftrightarrow A(x, c_1^{m-2}, z) = y;$$

$$M(a_1^{i-1}, A(x, c_1^{m-2}, z), a_i^{n-1}) = M(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-1}), \Leftrightarrow$$

$$A(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, z, a_i^{n-1})) =$$

$$M(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-1}) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1},x,a_i^{n-1}),\overline{M(a_1^{i-1},c_j,a_i^{n-1})}\Big|_{j=1}^{m-2},M(a_1^{i-1},y,a_i^{n-1})) = \\ M(a_1^{i-1},z,a_i^{n-1});$$

$$A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})} \Big|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-1})) = M(a_1^{i-1}, A^{-1}(x, c_1^{m-2}, y), a_i^{n-1}) \quad [:(2), 1.5].$$

Sketch of the proof of 2°:

 $A^{-1}(x,c_1^{m-2},x) = \mathbf{O}(c_1^{m-2}) \iff A(x,c_1^{m-2},\mathbf{O}(c_1^{m-2})) = x \quad [:(2),1.2,1.3].$ Finaly, by 1° and 2° we conclude that for every  $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$  and for

every 
$$a_1^{n-1}, c_1^{m-2}, x \in Q$$
 the following series of equalities holds:  $M(a_1^{i-1}, O(c_1^{m-2}), a_i^{n-1}) = M(a_1^{i-1}, A^{-1}(x, c_1^{m-2}, x), a_i^{n-1}) = A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1})) = A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1})) = A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1})) = A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1})) = A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1})) = A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1})) = A^{-1}(M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}))$ 

$$O(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})|_{j=1}^{m-2}}).$$

#### Remarks:

- a) For m = n = 2: (1)  $a \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot a = 0$ .
- b) O is an  $\{i,j\}$ -neutral operation of the m-group (Q,A) for every  $\{i, j\} \subseteq \{1, \dots, m\}, i < j \quad [:1.2-1.5]. \square$
- **2.2.** Theorem: Let (Q, A, M) be an (m, n)-ring and let the inversing operation in m-group (Q, A). Then for every  $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$  and for every  $a_1^{n-1}, c_1^{m-2}, b \in Q$  the following equality holds:
- (3)  $M(a_1^{i-1}, -(c_1^{m-2}, b), a_i^{n-1}) = -(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}\Big|_{i=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, b, a_i^{n-1})).$ Sketch of the proof.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{1) } \mathcal{O}(\overline{M(a_{1}^{i-1},c_{j},a_{i}^{n-1})|_{j=1}^{m-2}}) = M(a_{1}^{i-1},\mathcal{O}(c_{1}^{m-2}),a_{i}^{n-1}) = \\ M(a_{1}^{i-1},A(b,c_{1}^{m-2},-(c_{1}^{m-2},b)),a_{i}^{n-1}) = \\ A(M(a_{1}^{i-1},b,a_{i}^{n-1}),\overline{M(a_{1}^{i-1},c_{j},a_{i}^{n-1})|_{j=1}^{m-2}},M(a_{1}^{i-1},-(c_{1}^{m-2},b),a_{i}^{n-1})) \\ \end{array}$$

$$A(M(a_1^{i-1}, b, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})|_{j=1}^{m-2}}, M(a_1^{i-1}, -(c_1^{m-2}, b), a_i^{n-1}))$$
[:2.1,1.2];

2) 
$$O(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}) = A(M(a_1^{i-1}, b, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, M(a_1^{i-1}, -(c_1^{m-2}, b), a_i^{n-1}))$$
 $f(a_1^{i-1}, b, a_i^{n-1})$ 

3) 
$$O(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}) = A(M(a_1^{i-1}, b, a_i^{n-1}), \overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{j=1}^{m-2}, -(\overline{M(a_1^{i-1}, c_j, a_i^{n-1})}|_{i=1}^{m-2},$$

$$M(a_1^{i-1}, b, a_i^{n-1})))$$
 [:1.2];

4) (3) /:2),3)/.

**Remark:** For m = n = 2: (3)  $a \cdot (-b) = -(a \cdot b)$ 

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