

Note on near-P-polyagroups

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Abstract

Among the results of the paper¹ we have the following proposition. Let $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then, (Q, A) is an near-P-polyagroup (briefly: NP-polyagroup) of the type $(s, n - 1)$ [11, 1.3] iff the following statements hold: (i) (Q, A) is an $\langle 1, n \rangle$ - and $\langle 1, s + 1 \rangle$ -associative n -groupoid [or $\langle 1, n \rangle$ - and $\langle (k - 1) \cdot s + 1, k \cdot s + 1 \rangle$ -associative n -groupoid]; and (ii) for every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is **at least one** $x \in Q$ and **at least one** $y \in Q$ such that the following equalities hold $A(a_1^{n-1}, x) = a_n$ and $A(y, a_1^{n-1}) = a_n$.

1 Preliminaries

Definition 1.1 [11] *Let $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then, we say that (Q, A) is an Ps -**associative n -groupoid** iff for every $i, j \in \{t \cdot s + 1 | t \in \{0, 1, \dots, k\}\}, i < j$, the following law holds*

$$A(x_1^{i-1}, A(x_i^{i+n-1}), x_{i+n}^{2n-1}) = A(x_1^{j-1}, A(x_j^{j+n-1}), x_{j+n}^{2n-1})$$

[$\langle i, j \rangle$ -associative law].

Remark: For $s = 1$ (Q, A) is a $(k + 1)$ -semigroup; $k > 1$.

A notion of an s -**associative n -groupoid** was introduced by F.M. Sokhatsky (for example [6]).

Definition 1.2 [11] *$k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then, we say that (Q, A) is an P -**polyagroup of the type $(s, n - 1)$** iff is an Ps -associative n -groupoid and a n -quasigroup.*

A notion of an **polyagroup** was introduced by F.M. Sokhatsky (for example [7]).

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Definition 1.3 [11] $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an Ps -associative n -groupoid. Then, we say that (Q, A) is an **near-P-polyagroup (briefly: NP-polyagroup) of the type $(s, n - 1)$** iff for every $i \in \{t \cdot s + 1 | t \in \{0, 1, \dots, k\}\}$ and for all $a_1^n \in Q$ there is exactly one $x_i \in Q$ such that the equality

$$A(x_1^{i-1}, x_i, a_i^{n-1}) = a_n$$

holds.

Remark: Every P-polyagroup of the type $(s, n - 1)$ is an NP-polyagroup of the type $(s, n - 1)$.

2 Auxiliary propositions

Proposition 2.1 [8] Let $n \geq 2$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Further on, let the $\langle 1, n \rangle$ -associative law holds in (Q, A) , and let for every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is **at least one** $x \in Q$ and **at least one** $y \in Q$ such that the following equalities $A(a_1^{n-1}, x) = a_n$ and $A(y, a_1^{n-1}) = a_n$ hold. Then, there are mappings \mathbf{e} and $^{-1}$ respectively of the sets Q^{n-2} and Q^{n-1} into the set Q such that the following laws

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

$$A((a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, x) = \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}) \quad \text{and} \quad A(x, a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}) = \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})$$

hold in the algebra $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, \mathbf{e}\})$.

Proposition 2.2 [11] Let $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Also let

(i) the $\langle 1, s + 1 \rangle$ -associative [$\langle (k - 1) \cdot s + 1, k \cdot s + 1 \rangle$ -associative] law holds in the (Q, A) ; and

(ii) for every $x, y, a_1^{n-1} \in Q$ the following implication holds

$$\begin{aligned} A(x, a_1^{n-1}) = A(y, a_1^{n-1}) &\Rightarrow x = y. \\ [A(a_1^{n-1}, x) = A(a_1^{n-1}, y) &\Rightarrow x = y]. \end{aligned}$$

Then (Q, A) is an Ps -associative n -groupoid.
(See, also [8].)

Proposition 2.3 [11] Let $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then the following statements are equivalent: (i) (Q, A) is an NP-polyagroup of the type $(s, n - 1)$; (ii) there are mappings $^{-1}$ and \mathbf{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 $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, \mathbf{e}\})$ [of the type $\langle n, n-1, n-2 \rangle$]

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

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

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

(iii) there are mappings $^{-1}$ and \mathbf{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 $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, \mathbf{e}\})$ [of type $\langle n, n-1, n-2 \rangle$]

$$(\bar{a}) A(x_1^{(k-1) \cdot s}, A(x_{(k-1) \cdot s+1}^{(k-1) \cdot s+n}), x_{(k-1) \cdot s+n+1}^{2n-1}) = A(x_1^{k \cdot s}, A(x_{k \cdot s+1}^{2n-1})),$$

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

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

(See, also [8].)

3 Results

Theorem 3.1 Let $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then, (Q, A) is an NP-polyagroup of the type $(s, n-1)$ iff following statements hold:

(i) (Q, A) is an $\langle 1, n \rangle$ -associative n -groupoid;

(ii) (Q, A) is an $\langle 1, s+1 \rangle$ -associative n -groupoid or $\langle (k-1) \cdot s + 1, k \cdot s + 1 \rangle$ -associative n -groupoid; and

(iii) for every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is at least one $x \in Q$ and at least one $y \in Q$ such that the following equalities hold

$$A(a_1^{n-1}, x) = a_n \text{ and } A(y, a_1^{n-1}) = a_n.$$

Proof. *a)* \Leftarrow : Considering (i) and (iii), by Proposition 2.1, we conclude that there is mappings $^{-1}$ and \mathbf{e} respectively of the sets Q^{n-1} and Q^{n-2} into the set Q such that the laws (b), (c), (\bar{b}) and (\bar{c}) from 2.3 hold in algebra $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, \mathbf{e}\})$ of the type $\langle n, n-1, n-2 \rangle$. Whence considering (ii), by Proposition 2.3, we conclude that (Q, A) is an NP-polyagroup of the type $(s, n-1)$.

b) \Rightarrow : Considering 1.3, we conclude that the statements (i) – (iii) hold. ■

Remark: Group as a semigroup and a quasigroup was characterized by Weber H. in 1896 (cf. [4], pp. 19–20). A notion of an n -group was introduced by Dörnte W. in [1] as a generalization of the Weber's characterization of a group. Group as a semigroup (Q, \cdot) in which the following formula holds

$$(\forall a \in Q)(\forall b \in Q)(\exists x \in Q)(\exists y \in Q)(a \cdot x = b \wedge y \cdot a = b)$$

was characterized by Huntington E.V. in 1902 (cf. [4], p. 20). Note that following proposition has been proved in [3]. An n -**semigroup** (Q, A) is an n -**group** iff for each $a_1^n \in Q$ there exists **at least one** $x \in Q$ and **at least one** $y \in Q$ such that the following equalities hold $A(a_1^{n-1}, x) = a_n$ and $A(y, a_1^{n-1}) = a_n$. This assertion has been already formulated in [2], but the proof is missing there. (See, also [9].) Note that the following proposition has been proved in [10]: Let $n \geq 2$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then, (Q, A) is an n -group iff following statements hold: (i) (Q, A) is an $\langle 1, n \rangle$ - and $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$ -**associative** n -**groupoid** [or $\langle 1, n \rangle$ - and $\langle n-1, n \rangle$ -**associative** n -**groupoid**]; and (ii) for every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is **at least one** $x \in Q$ and **at least one** $y \in Q$ such that the following equalities hold $A(a_1^{n-1}, x) = a_n$ and $A(y, a_1^{n-1}) = a_n$. This proposition for $n \geq 3$ appears as a special case of Theorem 3.1 (for $s = 1$). (See also [12].)

Theorem 3.2 *Let $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then, (Q, A) is an **NP-polyagroup of the type** $(s, n-1)$ iff the following statements hold:*

(I) (Q, A) is an $\langle 1, s+1 \rangle$ -**associative** n -**groupoid**;

(II) For every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is **exactly one** $x \in Q$ such that the following equality holds

$$A(x, a_1^{n-1}) = a_n; \text{ and}$$

(III) For every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is **at least one** $y \in Q$ such that the following equality holds

$$A(a_1^{n-1}, y) = a_n.$$

Proof. a) \Leftarrow : Considering (I) and (II), by Proposition 2.2, we conclude that (Q, A) is an Ps -**associative** n -**groupoid**. Whence, considering (II) and (III), by Theorem 3.1, we conclude that (Q, A) is an **NP-polyagroup of the type** $(s, n-1)$.

b) \Rightarrow : Considering 1.3, we conclude that the statements (I)–(III) hold. ■

Similarly, it is possible to prove that the following proposition holds:

Theorem 3.3 *Let $k > 1, s \geq 1, n = k \cdot s + 1$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then, (Q, A) is an **NP-polyagroup of the type** $(s, n-1)$ iff the following statements hold:*

(1) (Q, A) is a $\langle (k-1) \cdot s + 1, k \cdot s + 1 \rangle$ -**associative** n -**groupoid**;

(2) For every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is **exactly one** $x \in Q$ such that the following equality holds

$$A(a_1^{n-1}, x) = a_n; \text{ and}$$

(3) For every $a_1^n \in Q$ there is **at least one** $y \in Q$ such that the following equality holds

$$A(y, a_1^{n-1}) = a_n.$$

Remark: For $s = 1$ Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.4 is proved in [5].

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