

ON nB -ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. In the present paper: 1) we define nB -algebra $(Q; B, \mathbf{e})$ of the type $\langle n, n - 2 \rangle$, so that (among others) for $n = 2$ $(Q; B, \mathbf{e})$ is a B -algebra; and 2) nB -algebra $(Q; B, \mathbf{e})$ is described as an n -group $(Q; A)$.

1. Introduction

1.1. Definition (Cf. [6]) Let (Q, B) be a groupoid. Let also e be a (fixed) element of the set Q . $(Q; B, e)$ is said to be a B -algebra iff the following laws hold:

- (1) $B(x, x) = e$,
- (2) $B(B(x, y), z) = B(x, B(z, B(e, y)))$ and
- (3) $B(x, e) = x$.

1.2. Proposition: Let $(Q; B, e)$ be a B -algebra. Then the following laws hold:

- (4) $B(B(x, a), B(e, a)) = x$ [$B(x, a) = u \Leftrightarrow x = B(u, B(e, a))$] and
- (5) $B(a, B(B(e, b), B(e, a))) = b$ [$B(a, x) = b \Leftrightarrow x = B(B(e, b), B(e, a))$].

(See, also [6].)

1.3. Definition Let $n \geq 2$ and let $(Q; B, \mathbf{e})$ be an algebra of the type $\langle n, n - 2 \rangle$. Then, we shall say that $(Q; B, \mathbf{e})$ is a nB -algebra iff the following laws hold:

- (1) $B(x, a_1^{n-2}, x) = \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})$,
- (2) $B(B(x, y, b_1^{n-2}), z, a_1^{n-2}) = B(x, B(z, a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, y)), b_1^{n-2})$,
- (3) $B(B(x, a_1^{n-2}, y), a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, y)) = x$ and

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$$(4) B(a, a_1^{n-2}, B(B(e(a_1^{n-2})), a_1^{n-2}, b), a_1^{n-2}, B(e(a_1^{n-2})), a_1^{n-2}, a)) = b.$$

1.4. Proposition: *Let $(Q; B, e)$ be an nB -algebra. Then the following law holds:*

$$(5) B(B(x, a_1^{n-2}, e(a_1^{n-2}))) = x.$$

Proof. Put $b = a$ in (4), we have

$$B(a, a_1^{n-2}, B(B(e(a_1^{n-2})), a_1^{n-2}, a), a_1^{n-2}, B(e(a_1^{n-2})), a_1^{n-2}, a)) = a,$$

whence, by (1), we obtain (5). □

1.5. Remark: *For $n = 2$ (1) – (5). reduces, respectively, to following laws: (1), (2), (4), (5), (3).*

2. Auxiliary propositions

2.1. Definition [1] *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. (See, also [8].)*

2.2. Proposition[4]: *Let $n \geq 2$ 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 $\langle n, n - 1, n - 2 \rangle$]*

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

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

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

(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 $\langle n, n - 1, n - 2 \rangle$]*

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

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

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

2.3. Remark: *e is an $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation of n -groupoid $(Q; A)$ iff algebra $(Q; A, e)$ [of the type $\langle n, n - 2 \rangle$] satisfies the laws (b) and (\bar{b}) from 2.2 [2]. Operation $^{-1}$ from 2.2. [(c), (\bar{c})] is a generalization of the inverse operation in a group [3]. Cf. [8].*

2.4. Proposition[5]: *Let $n \geq 2$ and let $(Q; B)$ be an n -groupoid. Let also the following laws*

$$(\alpha) B(B(x, z, b_1^{n-2}), B(y, a_1^{n-2}, z), a_1^{n-2}) = B(x, y, b_1^{n-2}) \text{ and}$$

$$(\beta) B(a, a_1^{n-2}, B(B(B(u, a_1^{n-2}, u), a_1^{n-2}, b), a_1^{n-2}, B(B(v, a_1^{n-2}, v), a_1^{n-2}, a))) = b$$

hold in the n -groupoid $(Q; B)$. Then, there is an n -group $(Q; A)$ such that the following equality holds ${}^{-1}A = B$, where

(o) ${}^{-1}A(x, a_1^{n-2}, y) = z \stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} A(z, a_1^{n-2}, y) = x$
 for all $x, y, z \in Q$ and for every sequence a_1^{n-2} over Q .
 (See, also [8]/XIII.)

2.5. Proposition[5]: Let $n \geq 2$ and let $(Q; B)$ be an n -groupoid. Furthermore, let $B = {}^{-1}A$ (cf. (o) from 2.4). Then the (α) and (β) [from 2.4] hold in the n -groupoid $(Q; B)$. Moreover, for all $x, y \in Q$ and for every sequence a_1^{n-2} over Q the following equality holds

$$(\gamma) B(x, a_1^{n-2}, y) = A(x, a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1}),$$

where ${}^{-1}$ is an inverse operation of the n -group $(Q; A)$ [cf. 2.3]. (See, also [8]/VIII, XIII.)

3. Results

3.1. Theorem: Let $n \geq 2$ and let $(Q; B, \mathbf{e})$ be an nB -algebra. Then, there is an n -group $(Q; A, {}^{-1}, \mathbf{E})$ such that the following equalities hold ${}^{-1}A = B$ and $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{e}$.

Proof. 1) Firstly, we prove that the assumptions the following statements hold:

1° For all $x, y, a \in Q$ and for every sequence a_1^{n-2} over Q the following implication holds

$$B(x, a_1^{n-2}, a) = B(y, a_1^{n-2}, a) \Rightarrow x = y;$$

2° For all $x, y, u \in Q$ and for every sequence a_1^{n-2} over Q the following equivalence holds

$$(\varepsilon) \begin{cases} B(u, a_1^{n-2}, y) = z \Leftrightarrow \\ u = B(z, a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, y)); \end{cases}$$

3° Law (α) from 2.4 holds in the n -groupoid $(Q; B)$; and

4° Law (β) from 2.4 holds in the n -groupoid $(Q; B)$.

Sketch of the proof of 1° :

$$\begin{aligned} B(x, a_1^{n-2}, a) &= B(y, a_1^{n-2}, a) \Rightarrow \\ B(B(x, a_1^{n-2}, a), a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, a)) &= \\ B(B(y, a_1^{n-2}, a), a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, a)) &\stackrel{(3)}{\Rightarrow} \\ x &= y. \end{aligned}$$

Sketch of the proof of 2° :

$$\begin{aligned} B(u, a_1^{n-2}, y) = z &\stackrel{1^\circ}{\Leftrightarrow} \\ B(B(u, a_1^{n-2}, y), a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, y)) &= \end{aligned}$$

$$B(z, a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, y)) \xrightarrow{(\check{3})} \\ u = B(z, a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, y)).$$

The proof of 3° :

Put (ε) [from 2°] in $(\check{2})$, we obtain

$$B(B(x, y, b_1^{n-2}), B(u, a_1^{n-2}, y), a_1^{n-2}) = B(x, u, b_1^{n-2}),$$

i.e., (α) from 2.4.

The proof of 4° :

Put $(\check{1})$ in $(\check{4})$, we have (β) from 2.4.

2) Finally, the following statement also holds:

5° There is an n -group $(Q; A, {}^{-1}, \mathbf{E})$ such that the following equalities hold

$$a) {}^{-1}A = B; \text{ and } b) \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{e}.$$

The proof of 5° - a) : By 3°, 4° and by Prop. 2.4.

The proof of 5° - b) :

By 5° - a), by Prop. 2.2 - (b) and by $(\check{1})$ from 1.3, we have $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{e}$. \square

3.2. Theorem: Let $n \geq 2$ and let $(Q; A, {}^{-1}, \mathbf{e})$ be an n -group. Let also $B = {}^{-1}A$. Then $(Q; B, \mathbf{e})$ is an nB -algebra.

Proof. 1) By Prop. 2.2 - (a) and by (o) from Prop. 2.4, we conclude that the $(\check{1})$ from Def. 1.3 holds in n -groupoid $(Q; B)$.

2) Firstly, by (c) from Prop. 2.2 and by (o) from 2.4, we have

$$(a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1} = B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, y).$$

Whence, by (γ) from Prop. 2.5, we conclude that the following equivalence holds

$$(\bar{\varepsilon}) \quad \begin{cases} B(y, a_1^{n-2}, z) = u \Leftrightarrow \\ y = B(u, a_1^{n-2}, B(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, z)). \end{cases}$$

Addition, by Prop. 2.5, (α) holds in n -groupoid $(Q; B)$. Finally, put $(\bar{\varepsilon})$ in (α) , we have $(\check{2})$.

3) By $(\bar{\varepsilon})$, we obtain $(\check{3})$

4) By Prop. 2.5, (β) holds in n -groupoid $(Q; B)$. Put $(\check{1})$ in (β) , we have $(\check{4})$. \square

3.3. Remark: For $n = 2$ see, also [7].

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