# CONGRUENCES OF *n*-GROUP AND OF ASSOCIATED HOSSZÚ-GLUSKIN ALGEBRAS

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#### Abstract

For every n-group (Q, A),  $n \geq 3$ , there is an algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ [of the type (2,1,0)] such that the following statements hold: 1°  $(Q,\cdot)$ is a group;  $2^{\circ} \varphi \in Aut(Q,\cdot)$ ;  $3^{\circ} \varphi(b) = b$ ;  $4^{\circ}$  for every  $x \in Q$  $\varphi(x) \cdot b = b \cdot x$ ; and 5° for every  $x_1^n \in Q$   $A(x_1^n) = x_1 \cdot \varphi(x_2) \cdot \ldots$  $\varphi^{n-1}(x_n) \cdot b$  [:Hosszú-Gluskin Theorem [2-3]]. We say that an algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is a Hosszú-Gluskin algebra of order  $n \ (n \geq 3)$  [briefly: nHG-algebra iff the statements 1°-4° hold. In addition, we say that an nHG-algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is associated to an n-group (Q, A) iff  $5^{\circ}$ holds. [in [10], all nHG-algebras associated to the given n-group are described. One of the main results of the paper is the following proposition: Let  $n \geq 3$ , and let (Q, A) be an n-group. Further on, let  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  be its arbitrary associated nHG-algebra. Then  $Con(Q,A) = Con(Q,\cdot) \cap Con(Q,\varphi)$ . In addition, in the present paper we prove that the congruence lattice of an n-group (Q,A) is a **sublattice** of the congruence lattice of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$  and that it is isomorphic with the lattice of normal subgroups  $(H, \cdot)$  of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$  for which  $\varphi(H) = H$ . [In [4], Monk and Sioson described the congruence lattice of the n-group  $(n \geq 3)$ , up to an isomorphism, in the scope of the Post covering group. (:Remark 5.3).] In this paper, we also prove the following proposition: Let  $n \geq 3$  and let (Q, A) be an ngroup. Further on, let  $\theta$  be an arbitrary element of the set Con(Q, A). Then, for every  $C_t \in Q/\theta$  there is an nHG-algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  associated to the n-group (Q, A) such that the following statements hold: (i)  $(C_t, \cdot) \triangleleft (Q, \cdot)$ ; (ii)  $(C_t, \varphi)$  is a 1-groupoid; and (iii)  $(C_t, A)$  is an n-subgroup of the n-group (Q, A) iff  $b \in C_t$ .

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#### 1. Preliminaries

#### 1.1. About the expression $a_p^q$

Let  $p \in N$ ,  $q \in N \cup \{0\}$  and let a be a mapping of the set  $\{i | i \in N \land i \ge p \land i \le q\}$  into the set  $S; \emptyset \notin S$ . Then:

$$a_p^q ext{ stands for } \left\{ egin{array}{ll} a_p, \dots, a_q; & p < q \ a_p; & p = q \ ext{ empty sequence} (= \emptyset); & p > q. \end{array} 
ight.$$

In some cases, instead of  $a_p^q$  only, we write: sequence  $a_p^q$  (sequence  $a_p^q$  over a set S). For example: ... for every sequence  $a_p^q$  over a set S .... And if  $p \leq q$ , we usually write:  $a_p^q \in S$ .

If  $a_p^q$  is a sequence over a set S,  $p \leq q$  and the equalities  $a_p = \ldots = a_q = b \in S$  are satisfied, then

$$a_p^q$$
 is denoted by  $b^{q-p+1}$ .

#### 1.2. About n-groups

**1.2.1. Definitions:** Let  $n \geq 2$  and let (Q, A) be an n-groupoid. Then: (a) we say that (Q, A) is an n-semigroup iff for every  $i, j \in \{1, ..., n\}$ , 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]; (b) we say that (Q,A) is an n-quasigroup iff for every  $i \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$  and for every  $a_1^n \in Q$  there is **exactly one**  $x_i \in Q$  such that the following equality holds

$$A(a_1^{i-1}, x_i, a_i^{n-1}) = a_n;$$
 and

(c) we say that (Q, A) is a Dörnte n-group [briefly: n-group] iff (Q, A) is an n-semigroup and an n-quasigroup as well.

A notion of an *n*-group was introduced by W. Dörnte in [1] as a generalization of the notion of a group.

**1.2.2.** Definition [8]: Let  $n \geq 2$  and let (Q, A) be an n-groupoid. Further on, let e be an mapping of the set  $Q^{n-2}$  into the set Q. Let also  $\{i, j\} \subseteq \{1, \ldots, n\}$  and i < j. Then: e is an  $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operation of the n-groupoid (Q, A) iff the following formula holds

$$(\forall a_i \in Q)_1^{n-2} (\forall x \in Q) \quad (A(a_1^{i-1}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_i^{j-2}, x, a_{j-1}^{n-2}) = x$$
 
$$\land \quad A(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{j-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_{j-1}^{n-2}) = x).^1$$

- **1.2.3. Proposition [8]:** Let  $n \ge 2$ ,  $\{i, j\} \subseteq \{1, ..., n\}$  and i < j. Then in every n-groupoid there is at most one  $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operation.
- **1.2.4. Proposition [8]:** In every n-group,  $n \ge 2$ , there is a  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation.<sup>2</sup>
- **1.2.5.** Proposition [10]: Let (Q, A) be an n-group, e its  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation and  $n \geq 3$ . Then for every sequence  $a_1^{n-2}$  over Q and for every  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n-2\}$  there is exactly one  $x_i \in Q$  such that the equality

$$\mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, x_i, a_i^{n-3}) = a_{n-2}$$

holds.

**1.2.6.** Proposition [9]: Let  $n \geq 2$ , and let (Q, A) be an n-group, e its  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation and E a  $\{1, 2n-1\}$ -neutral operation of a (2n-1)-group (Q, A), where  $A(x_1^{2n-1}) \stackrel{def}{=} A(A(x_1^n), x_{n+1}^{2n-1})$ . Further on, let f be an (n-1)-ary operation in Q defined in the following way

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For n=2,  $e(a_1^{n-2})$   $[=e(\emptyset)]=e\in Q$  is a neutral element of the groupoid (Q,A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>There are *n*-groups without  $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operations with  $\{i, j\} \neq \{1, n\}$  [:[11]]. In [11], *n*-groups with  $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operations, for  $\{i, j\} \neq \{1, n\}$  are described.

Then, also the following laws hold in the algebra  $(Q, \{A, f, e\})$  [of the type (n, n-1, n-2)]

$$A(f(a_1^{n-2}, a), a_1^{n-2}, a) = e(a_1^{n-2})$$
 and   
 $A(a, a_1^{n-2}, f(a_1^{n-2}, a)) = e(a_1^{n-2})^{3}$ 

1.2.7. Remark: As well as Proposition 1.2.4 and Proposition 1.2.6, for  $n \geq 2$ . e. g. the following proposition holds [13]: If the following laws hold in the algebra  $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, \mathbf{e}\})$  of the type (n, n-1, n-2)

$$\begin{split} &A(A(x_1^n),x_{n+1}^{2n-1})=A(x_1,A(x_2^{n+1}),x_{n+2}^{2n-1}),\\ &A(x,a_1^{n-2},\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}))=x \ and\\ &A(a,a_1^{n-2},(a_1^{n-2},a)^{-1})=\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), \end{split}$$

then (Q, A) is an n-group. For n = 2 this is the well known characterizations of n-groups.

#### 1.3. On Hosszú-Gluskin algebras

- **1.3.1.** Proposition (Hosszú-Gluskin Theorem) [2-3]: For every n-group (Q, A),  $n \geq 3$ , there is an algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  such that the following statements hold:  $1^{\circ}(Q, \cdot)$  is a group;  $2^{\circ} \varphi \in Aut(Q, \cdot)$ ;  $3^{\circ} \varphi(b) = b$ ;  $4^{\circ}$  for every  $x \in Q$ ,  $\varphi^{n-1}(x) \cdot b = b \cdot x$ ; and  $5^{\circ}$  for every  $x_1^n \in Q$ ,  $A(x_1^n) = x_1 \cdot \varphi(x_2) \cdot \ldots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(x_n) \cdot b$ .
- **1.3.2.** Definitions [10]: We say that an algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is a Hosszú-Gluskin algebra of order  $n \ (n \ge 3)$  [briefly: nHG-algebra] iff  $1^{\circ}$ - $4^{\circ}$  from 1.3.1 holds. In addition, we say that an nHG-algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is associated to the n-group (Q, A) iff  $5^{\circ}$  from 1.3.1 hold.
- **1.3.3.** Proposition [10]: Let  $n \geq 3$ , let (Q, A) be an n-group, and e its  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation. Further on, let  $c_1^{n-2}$  be an arbitrary sequence over Q and let for every  $x, y \in Q$

(1) 
$$B_{(c_1^{n-2})}(x,y) \stackrel{def}{=} A(x,c_1^{n-2},y);$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>For n=2, f is the inversing operation in the group (Q,A). In addition, for n=2:  $a^{-1}[=f(a)]=\mathsf{E}(a); a_1^{n-2}=\emptyset$ , 1.1. In some papers, the authors writes  $(a_1^{n-2},a)^{-1}$  instead of  $f(a_1^{n-2},a)$ .

(2) 
$$\varphi_{(c_1^{n-2})}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), x, c_1^{n-2})$$
 and

(3) 
$$b_{(c_1^{n-2})} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A(\underbrace{e(c_1^{n-2})}^n)^4.$$

Then, the following statements hold

- (i)  $(Q, \{B_{(c_1^{n-2})}, \varphi_{(c_1^{n-2})}, b_{(c_1^{n-2})}\})$  is an nHG-algebra associated to the n-group (Q, A); and
- (ii)  $C_A \stackrel{def}{=} \{(Q, \{B_{(c_1^{n-2})}, \varphi_{(c_1^{n-2})}, b_{(c_1^{n-2})}\}) | c_1^{n-2} \text{ is a sequence over } Q\} \text{ is the set of all } nHG-algebras \text{ associated to the } n\text{-group } (Q, A).$

#### 1.4. On congruences in an m-groupoid

**1.4.1. Definition:** Let (Q, F) be an m-groupoid and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let also  $\theta$  be an equivalence relation in the set Q. Then,  $\theta$  is a congruence relation on the m-groupoid (Q, F) iff the following holds

$$(\forall a_j \in Q)_1^m (\forall b_j \in Q)_1^m ((\bigwedge_{i=1}^m a_i \theta b_i) \Rightarrow F(a_1^m) \theta F(b_1^m)).$$

**1.4.2.** Proposition:  $\theta$  is a congruence on an m-groupoid (Q, F) iff the following holds

$$(\forall a \in Q)(\forall b \in Q)(\forall c_j \in Q)_1^{m-1}$$
$$(\bigwedge_{i=1}^m (a\theta b \Rightarrow F(c_1^{i-1}, a, c_i^{m-1})\theta F(c_1^{i-1}, a, c_i^{m-1}))).$$

**1.4.3.** Definition: A congruence relation  $\theta$  on an m-groupoid (Q, F) is said to be normal iff the following holds

$$(\forall a \in Q)(\forall b \in Q)(\forall c_j \in Q)_1^{m-1} (\bigwedge_{i=1}^{m} (F(c_1^{i-1}, a, c_i^{m-1})\theta F(c_1^{i-1}, a, c_i^{m-1}) \Rightarrow a\theta b)).^{5}$$

 $<sup>{}^{4}</sup>A(\mathbf{e}(c_{1}^{n-2}),\ldots,\mathbf{e}(c_{1}^{n-2})).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Normal congruences on quasigroups (m=2) are described e. g. in [5] [p.54].

**1.4.4.** Proposition [12]: Let  $n \ge 2$ , let (Q, A) be an n-group,  $\mathbf{e}$  its  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation [:1.2.4], f its inversing operation [:1.2.6], and  $\theta$  a congruence on the groupoid (Q, A) [: $\theta \in Con(Q, A)$ ]. Then: (a)  $\theta$  is a normal congruence of the n-groupoid (Q, A); (b) for  $n \ge 3$   $\theta$  is a normal congruence of the (n-2)-groupoid  $(Q, \mathbf{e})$ ; and (c)  $\theta$  is a congruence of the (n-1)-groupoid (Q, f).

### 2. Construction of a lattice on a given nHG-algebra

**2.1.** Proposition: Let  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  be an nHG-algebra [:1.3.2]. Further on, let

(1) 
$$L \stackrel{def}{=} \{H | (H, \cdot) \triangleleft (Q, \cdot)\}^7 \text{ and }$$

(2) 
$$\hat{L} \stackrel{def}{=} \{H | (H, \cdot) \triangleleft (Q, \cdot) \land \varphi(H) = H\}^{8}.$$

Then  $(\hat{L}, \odot, \cap)^9$  is a sublattice of the (modular) lattice  $(L, \odot, \cap)$ .

*Proof.* 1)  $(L, \odot, \cap)$  is the well known modular lattice of normal subgroups of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ .

- 2) Since  $\varphi \in Aut(Q,\cdot)$  and by the definition of the operation  $\odot$  we conclude that  $(\hat{L},\odot)$  is a groupoid.
- 3) By the definition of the set  $\hat{L}$  [:(2)] and by the definition of the set  $\varphi(H)$  [footnote 8)] we conclude that for every  $x \in Q$  and for every  $H_1, H_2 \in \hat{L}$  the following series of equivalences hold

$$\begin{split} \varphi(x) \in \varphi(H_1 \cap H_2) & \Leftrightarrow x \in H_1 \cap H_2 \\ & \Leftrightarrow x \in H_1 \wedge x \in H_2 \\ & \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \in \varphi(H_1) \wedge \varphi(x) \in \varphi(H_2) \\ & \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \in H_1 \wedge \varphi(x) \in H_2 \\ & \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \in H_1 \cap H_2, \end{split}$$

For n=2,  $\theta$  is a normal congruence of the 1-groupoid (Q,f) [: $(Q,^{-1})$ ].

 $<sup>^{7}(</sup>H,\cdot) \triangleleft (Q,\cdot)$ :  $(H,\cdot)$  is a normal subgroup of the group  $(Q,\cdot)$ .

 $<sup>{}^8\</sup>varphi(H) \stackrel{def}{=} \{\varphi(x) | x \in H\} \ [: \varphi(x) \in \varphi(H) \Leftrightarrow x \in H; x \in Q].$ 

 $<sup>{}^{9}</sup>H_{1} \odot H_{2} \stackrel{def}{=} \{x | x = h_{1} \cdot h_{2} \wedge h_{1} \in H_{1} \wedge h_{2} \wedge H_{2}\}; H_{1}, H_{2} \in P(Q). H_{1} \cap H_{2} \text{ is the intersection of the sets } H_{1} \text{ and } H_{2}.$ 

i. e., that the following equivalence

$$\varphi(x) \in \varphi(H_1 \cap H_2) \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \in H_1 \cap H_2$$

whence, since  $\varphi$  is a permutation of the set Q, we conclude that the set  $\hat{L}$  is closed also under the operation  $\cap$ .

- 4) Finally, by the Propositions from 1)-3), we conclude that  $(\hat{L}, \odot, \cap)$  is a sublattice of the modular lattice  $(L, \odot, \cap)$ .
- **2.2. Example:** Let  $(\{1,2,3,4\},\cdot)$  be the Klein's group: Tab. 1.

	1	2.	3	4
1	1	2	3	4
2	2	1	4	3
3	3	4	1	2
4	4	3	2	1
Tab. 1				

Further on, let  $\varphi$  be the permutation of the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  defined in the following way

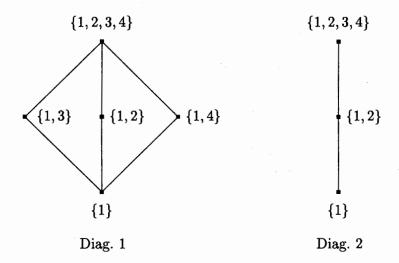
$$\varphi \stackrel{def}{=} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \end{array} \right).$$

Then,  $(\{1,2,3,4\},\{\cdot,\varphi,2\})$  is a 3HG-algebra. In addition, the following holds:

$$L = \{\{1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\} \text{ [:(1) from 2.1] and }$$
 
$$\hat{L} = \{\{1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\} \text{ [:(2) from 2.1];}$$

 $\varphi(\{1,3\}) = \{1,4\} \neq \{1,3\}, \ \varphi(\{1,4\}) = \{1,3\} \neq \{1,4\}.$  Lattices  $(L,\odot,\cap)$  and  $(\hat{L},\odot,\cap)$  [:2.1] are represented in Diag. 1 and Diag. 2.

**2.3.** Remark: If  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is an nHG-algebra and  $\varphi$  an inner automorphism of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ , then  $(\hat{L}, \odot, \cap) = (L, \odot, \cap)$ . However, there are nHG-algebras  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  such that  $\varphi$  is not an inner automorphism of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$  and  $(\hat{L}, \odot, \cap) = (L, \odot, \cap)$ . E. g.: Let  $(Q, \cdot)$  be a commutative group,  $^{-1}$  an inversing operation in  $(Q, \cdot)$  and let there is at least one  $x \in Q$  such that  $x^{-1} \neq x$ . Further on, let  $\varphi = ^{-1}$ , b = e, where e is the neutral element of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ . Then  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is a 3HG-algebra and  $\hat{L} = L$  [:2.1].



## 3. An auxiliary proposition

**3.1. Proposition:** Let  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  be an nHG-algebra and let  $^{-1}$  be an inversing operation in the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ . Further on, let  $(H, \cdot) \triangleleft (Q, \cdot)$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i) 
$$(\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q)(x \cdot y^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow \varphi(x \cdot y^{-1}) \in H);$$

(ii) 
$$(\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q)(x \cdot y^{-1} \in H \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x \cdot y^{-1}) \in H)$$
; and

(iii) 
$$\varphi(H) = H$$
.

Proof.

Let (i) holds. Then, since  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is an *n*HG-algebra [:1.3.2], and since  $(H, \cdot)$  is a normal subgroup of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$  and since  $^{-1}$  is an inversing operation in  $(Q, \cdot)$ , we conclude that for every  $x, y \in Q$  the following

series of implications holds

$$\begin{split} &\varphi(x\cdot y^{-1})\in H^{-10}\Rightarrow \varphi^{n-1}(x\cdot y^{-1})\in H\Rightarrow \\ &\varphi^{n-1}((x\cdot b)\cdot (y\cdot b)^{-1})\in H\Rightarrow \varphi^{n-1}(x\cdot b)\cdot \varphi^{n-1}((y\cdot b)^{-1})\in H\Rightarrow \\ &\varphi^{n-1}((x\cdot b)\cdot (\varphi^{n-1}(y\cdot b))^{-1}\in H\Rightarrow (b\cdot x)\cdot (b\cdot y)^{-1}\in H\Rightarrow \\ &b\cdot (x\cdot y^{-1})\cdot b^{-1}\in H\Rightarrow b\cdot (x\cdot y^{-1})\cdot b^{-1}\in bHb^{-1}\Rightarrow \\ &x\cdot y^{-1}\in H. \end{split}$$

i. e., that the following statement holds

$$(1) \qquad (\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q)(\varphi(x \cdot y^{-1}) \in H \Rightarrow x \cdot y^{-1} \in H).$$

Since the conjunction of the statements (1) and (i) is equivalent with the statement (ii), the equivalence (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) holds.

Let (ii) holds. Then, for every  $x \in Q$  the following equivalence holds

$$x \in H \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \in H$$
,

whence, since for every  $x \in Q$ 

$$\varphi(x) \in \varphi(H) \Leftrightarrow x \in H$$
,

we conclude that for every  $x \in Q$  the following equivalence holds

$$\varphi(x) \in \varphi(H) \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \in H.$$

Whence, since  $\varphi$  is a permutation of the set Q, we conclude that

$$\varphi(H) = H.$$

Let (iii) holds. Then, for every  $x, y \in Q$  the following equivalence holds

$$\varphi(x \cdot y^{-1}) \in \varphi(H) \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x \cdot y^{-1}) \in H,$$

whence, since for every  $x, y \in Q$ 

$$\varphi(x \cdot y^{-1}) \in \varphi(H) \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} x \cdot y^{-1} \in H$$

we conclude that the statement (ii) holds.

 $<sup>\</sup>overline{^{10}\varphi(x\cdot y^{-1})}\in H\Leftrightarrow \varphi(x)\cdot (\varphi(y))^{-1}\in H.$ 

# 4. On the set of all congruences of the given n-group $(n \ge 3)$

**4.1. Theorem:** Let  $n \geq 3$ , let (Q, A) be an n-group and let  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  be an arbitrary nHG-algebra associated to the n-group (Q, A). Then, the following equality holds

$$Con(Q, A) = Con(Q, \cdot) \cap Con(Q, \varphi)$$
.<sup>11</sup>

Proof. 1)  $\Rightarrow$ :

Let **e** be a  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation of an n-group (Q, A) [:1.2.4] and let  $c_1^{n-2}$  be an arbitrary sequence over the set Q. Further on, for every  $x, y \in Q$  the following hold

$$(1) x \cdot y \stackrel{def}{=} A(x, c_1^{n-2}, y),$$

(2) 
$$\varphi(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), x, c_1^{n-2})$$
 and

(3) 
$$b \stackrel{def}{=} A(\overbrace{\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})}^n).$$

Then  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  is an *n*HG-algebra associated to the *n*-group (Q, A) [:1.3. 3]. In addition, for every  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\}) \in \mathcal{C}_A$  there is a sequence  $c_1^{n-2}$  over Q such that for all  $x, y \in Q$  (1)-(3) [:1.3.3]. Further on, if  $\theta \in Con(Q, A)$  [:1.4], since (1) and (2) hold for all  $x, y \in Q$ , we conclude that for all  $x, y, \bar{x}, \bar{y} \in Q$  the following sequence of implications holds

$$\begin{split} x\theta\bar{x} & \Rightarrow A(x,c_1^{n-2},y)\theta A(\bar{x},c_1^{n-2},y) \\ & \Rightarrow x\cdot y\theta\bar{x}\cdot y \\ y\theta\bar{y} & \Rightarrow A(x,c_1^{n-2},y)\theta A(x,c_1^{n-2},\bar{y}) \\ & \Rightarrow x\cdot y\theta x\cdot \bar{y} \\ x\theta\bar{x} & \Rightarrow A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}),x,c_1^{n-2})\theta A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}),\bar{x},c_1^{n-2}) \\ & \Rightarrow \varphi(x)\theta\varphi(\bar{x}), \end{split}$$

 $<sup>^{11}\</sup>theta \in Con(Q, A) \Rightarrow \theta \in Con(Q, \mathbf{e}) \land \theta \in Con(Q, ^{-1})$  [:1.4.4].

whence we conclude that for an arbitrary  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\}) \in \mathcal{C}_A$  and for arbitrary  $\theta \in P(Q^2)$ , the following implication holds

$$\theta \in Con(Q,A) \Rightarrow \theta \in Con(Q,\cdot) \land \theta \in Con(Q,\varphi).$$

2)  $\Leftarrow$ :

Let  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  be an arbitrary algebra from the set  $\mathcal{C}_A$  [:1.3.3]. Further on, let  $\theta$  be an arbitrary element of the set  $P(Q^2)$  such that the following conjunction holds

$$\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot) \land \theta \in Con(Q, \varphi).$$

Since  $\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot)$ , the following statement holds:

(a) for every  $i \in \{1, ..., m\}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$ , for every sequence  $a_1^m$  over the set Q and for all  $x, \bar{x} \in Q$  the following implication holds

$$x\theta\bar{x}\Rightarrow (\prod_{j=1}^{i-1}a_j)\cdot x\cdot (\prod_{j=i}^{m-1}a_j)\theta (\prod_{j=1}^{i-1}a_j)\cdot \bar{x}\cdot (\prod_{j=i}^{m-1}a_j)^{12}.$$

Since  $\theta \in Con(Q, \varphi)$ , the following statement holds:

(b) for every  $t \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and for all  $x, \bar{x} \in Q$  the following implication holds

$$x\theta\bar{x} \Rightarrow \varphi^t(x)\theta\varphi^t(\bar{x}).$$

Finally, by (a), (b) and by the assumption that  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\}) \in \mathcal{C}_A$  [:1.3.3], we conclude that for every  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ , for every  $x_1^n \in Q$  and for every  $\bar{x}_1^n \in Q$  the following series of implications holds

$$\begin{array}{lll} x_i\theta\bar{x}_i & \Rightarrow & \varphi^{i-1}(x_i)\theta\varphi^{i-1}(\bar{x}_i) \\ \\ & \Rightarrow & (\prod\limits_{j=1}^{i-1}\varphi^{j-1}(x_j))\cdot\varphi^{i-1}(x_i)\cdot(\prod\limits_{j=i+1}^{n}\varphi^{j-1}(x_j))\cdot b\;\theta \\ \\ & & (\prod\limits_{j=1}^{i-1}\varphi^{j-1}(x_j))\cdot\varphi^{i-1}(\bar{x}_i)\cdot(\prod\limits_{j=i+1}^{n}\varphi^{j-1}(x_j))\cdot b \\ \\ & \Rightarrow & A(x_1^{i-1},x_i,x_{i+1}^n)\theta A(x_1^{i-1},\bar{x}_i,x_{i+1}^n). \end{array}$$

 $<sup>^{12}\</sup>prod_{i=p}^{p-1}a_{i}\overset{def}{=}\mathbf{e}$ , where  $\mathbf{e}$  is the neutral element of the group  $(Q,\cdot)$ , and  $p\in\mathbf{N}$ .

**4.2.** Remark: Let  $(\{1,2,3,4\}, \{\cdot, \varphi, 2\})$  3HG-algebra from Example 2.2. Equivalence relations  $\theta_1 - \theta_5$  in  $\{1,2,3,4\}$  defined as follows, belong to the set  $Con(\{1,2,3,4\},\cdot)$ :

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4\}/\theta_1 \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{1, 3\}, \{2, 4\}\};$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4\}/\theta_2 \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}\};$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4\}/\theta_3 \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}\};$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4\}/\theta_4 \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}\} \text{ and }$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4\}/\theta_5 \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{1, 2, 3, 4\}\}.$$

As well as  $\theta_3 - \theta_5$ , equivalence relations  $\theta_6$  and  $\theta_7$  in  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  defined as follows, belong to the set  $Con(\{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \varphi)$ :

$$\{1,2,3,4\}/\theta_6 \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{1\},\{2,3,4\}\}$$
 and  $\{1,2,3,4\}/\theta_7 \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{2\},\{1,3,4\}\}.$ 

The set Con(Q, A), where

$$A(x_1^3) \stackrel{def}{=} x_1 \cdot \varphi(x_2) \cdot x_3 \cdot 2 \ [:1.3],$$

by Theorem 4.1 is the set  $\{\theta_3, \theta_4, \theta_5\}$ .

In the Theory of groups (n = 2) the following proposition is well known:

**4.3.** Proposition: Let  $(Q, \cdot)$  be a group and let  $^{-1}$  be its inversing operation. Further on, let

$$L \stackrel{def}{=} \{H | (H, \cdot) \triangleleft (Q, \cdot)\} \text{ [:(1) from 2.1]}.$$

Then, there is exactly one bijection F of the set  $Con(Q, \cdot)$  onto the set L such that for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot)$  the following statement holds

$$(\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q)(x\theta y \Leftrightarrow x \cdot y^{-1} \in F(\theta)).$$

For  $n \geq 3$  the following proposition holds:

**4.4. Theorem:** Let  $n \geq 3$ , let (Q, A) be an n-group and  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  its arbitrary associated nHG-algebra. Further on, let

$$\hat{L} \stackrel{def}{=} \{H | (H, \cdot) \triangleleft (Q, \cdot) \land \varphi(H) = H\} \text{ [:(2) from 2.1].}$$

In addition, let  $^{-1}$  be the inversing operation in the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ . Then there is exactly one bijection  $\hat{F}$  of the set Con(Q, A) onto the set  $\hat{L}$  such that for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, A)$  the following statement holds

$$(\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q)(x\theta y \Leftrightarrow x \cdot y^{-1} \in \hat{F}(\theta)).$$

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.1, using Proposition 4.3 and Proposition 3.1, we conclude that for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot)$  the following equivalence holds

$$\theta \in Con(Q, A) \Leftrightarrow \theta \in Con(Q, \cdot) \land \varphi(F(\theta)) = F(\theta),$$

where F is uniquely determined bijection of the set  $Con(Q, \cdot)$  onto the set L such that for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot)$  the following statement holds

$$(\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q)(x\theta y \Leftrightarrow x \cdot y^{-1} \in F(\theta))$$

[:Proposition 4.3]. Whence, by the following conventions

$$F(\theta) \in FCon(Q, A) \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} \theta \in Con(Q, A)$$
 and

$$F(\theta) \in FCon(Q, \cdot) \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} \theta \in Con(Q, \cdot),$$

we conclude that for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot)$  the following equivalence holds

$$F(\theta) \in FCon(Q, A) \Leftrightarrow F(\theta) \in FCon(Q, \cdot) \land \varphi F(\theta) = F(\theta),$$

whence, by the definition of the set  $\hat{L}$  [and the set L], we conclude that for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot)$  the following equivalence holds

$$F(\theta) \in FCon(Q, A) \Leftrightarrow F(\theta) \in \hat{L}$$

 $[:FCon(Q,\cdot)=L]$ , i.e., that the following equality holds

$$FCon(Q, A) = \hat{L}.$$

Restriction  $\hat{F}$  of the bijection  $F: Con(Q, \cdot) \to L$  defined by

$$\hat{F}(\theta) = F(\theta)$$
 for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, A)$ ,

is thus a uniquely determined bijection of the set Con(Q, A) onto the set  $\hat{L}$  such that for every  $\theta \in Con(Q, A)$  the following statement holds

$$(\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q)(x\theta y \Leftrightarrow x \cdot y^{-1} \in \hat{F}(\theta)).$$

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#### 5. On the lattice of congruences of an n-group

By Proposition 2.1, Proposition 4.3 and by Theorem 4.4, we conclude that the following proposition holds:

**5.1. Theorem:** Let  $n \geq 3$ , let (Q, A) be an n-group and let  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  be its **arbitrary** associated nHG-algebra. Further on, let  $(L, \odot, \cap)$  and  $(\hat{L}, \odot, \cap)$  be the lattices from Proposition 2.1, and

$$F: Con(Q, \cdot) \rightarrow L$$
 and  $\hat{F}: Con(Q, A) \rightarrow \hat{L}$ 

bijections described in the proof of Theorem 4.4. In addition let

$$\theta_1 \smile \theta_2 \stackrel{def}{=} F^{-1}(F(\theta_1) \odot F(\theta_2))$$
 and  $\theta_1 \smile \theta_2 \stackrel{def}{=} F^{-1}(F(\theta_1) \cap F(\theta_2)).$ 

**5.2. Remark:** For all  $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in Con(Q, \cdot)$  the following equalities hold

$$\theta_1 \hookrightarrow \theta_2 = \theta_1 \circ \theta_2$$
 and  $\theta_1 \curvearrowright \theta_2 = \theta_1 \cap \theta_2$ ,

where

$$\theta_1 \circ \theta_2 \stackrel{def}{=} \{(x,y) | (\exists z \in Q)((x,z) \in \theta_1 \land (z,y) \in \theta_2) \} \text{ and }$$
  
$$\theta_1 \cap \theta_2 \stackrel{def}{=} \{(x,y) | (x,y) \in \theta_1 \land (x,y) \in \theta_2 \}.$$

[The sketch of the proof of the proposition  $(\forall \theta_1 \in Con(Q, \cdot))$   $(\forall \theta_2 \in Con(Q, \cdot))$   $\theta_1 \smile \theta_2 = \theta_1 \circ \theta_2$ : a)  $(\forall x \in Q)(\exists z \in Q)$   $x \cdot z^{-1} \in F(\theta)$ ; b)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>Well known modular lattice of congruences of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ .

 $(\forall x \in Q)(\forall y \in Q) \ (\exists z \in Q) \ (x \cdot z^{-1} \in F(\theta_1) \land x \cdot y^{-1} \in F(\theta_1) \odot F(\theta_2) \Rightarrow z \cdot y^{-1} \in F(\theta_2); \ c) \ x \cdot y^{-1} \in F(\theta_1) \odot F(\theta_2) \Leftrightarrow (\exists z \in Q) \ (x \cdot z^{-1} \in F(\theta_1) \land z \cdot y^{-1} \in F(\theta_2)); \ \text{and d)} \ (x,y) \in \theta_1 \ \hookrightarrow \ \theta_2 \Leftrightarrow (x,y) \in F^{-1}(F(\theta_1) \odot F(\theta_2)) \Leftrightarrow x \cdot y^{-1} \in F(F^{-1}(F(\theta_1) \odot F(\theta_2))) \Leftrightarrow (\exists z \in Q)(x \cdot z^{-1} \in F(\theta_1) \land z \cdot y^{-1} \in F(\theta_2)) \Leftrightarrow (\exists z \in Q)((x,z) \in \theta_1 \land (z,y) \in \theta_2) \Leftrightarrow (x,y) \in \theta_1 \circ \theta_2.]$ 

- **5.3.** Remark: For every n-group (Q, A),  $n \geq 3$ , there is a group  $(\bar{Q}, \cdot)$  and its normal subgroup  $(H, \cdot)$  such that: 1)  $Q \in \bar{Q}/H$ ; 2) the factor-group  $(\bar{Q}/H, \Box)$  [of the group  $(\bar{Q}, \cdot)$  over H] is a finite cyclic group; and 3) for every  $x_1^n \in Q$ ,  $A(x_1^n) = x_1 \cdot \ldots \cdot x_n$  [: Post's coset theorem, 1940; for example [6,7]]. In [4], Monk and Sioson described the lattice of congruences of the n-group (Q,A),  $n \geq 3$ , up to an isomorphism, by means of the lattice of normal subgroups of the group  $(H, \cdot)$  which are at the same time subgroup of the group  $(\bar{Q}, \cdot)$ .
- 6. A connection of congruence classes of the given congruence of an *n*-group with its associated *n*HG-algebras
- **6.1. Theorem:** Let  $n \geq 3$  and let (Q, A) be an n-group. Further on, let  $\theta$  be an arbitrary element of the set Con(Q, A). Then, for every  $C_t \in Q/\theta$  there is an nHG-algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  associated to the n-group (Q, A) such that the following statements hold:
  - (i)  $(C_t,\cdot) \triangleleft (Q,\cdot)$ ;
  - (ii)  $(C_t, \varphi)$  is a 1-groupoid; and
  - (iii)  $(C_t, A)$  is an n-subgroup of the n-group (Q, A) iff  $b \in C_t$ .

Proof. 1° Let e be a  $\{1,n\}$ -neutral operation of the n-group (Q,A) [:1.2.4, 1.2.2]. Further on, let  $\theta$  be an arbitrary congruence of the n-group (Q,A) [ $\theta \in Con(Q,A)$ ] and let  $C_t$  [ $t \in Q$ ] be an arbitrary class from the set  $Q/\theta$ . Then, by Proposition 1.2.5, we conclude that there is a sequence  $c_1^{n-2}$  over Q such that

$$\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}) = t.$$

Further, assume that the sequence  $c_1^{n-2}$  over Q satisfies (0). Then, by Propo-

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sition 1.3.3, the algebra  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  defined with

$$(1) x \cdot y \stackrel{def}{=} A(x, c_1^{n-2}, y);$$

(2) 
$$\varphi(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), x, c_1^{n-2}) [= A(t, x, c_1^{n-2})]; \text{ and}$$

(3) 
$$b \stackrel{def}{=} A(\overbrace{\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})}^n) [= A(t)]$$

is an nHG-algebra associated to the n-group (Q, A).

 $2^{\circ}$   $(C_t,\cdot)$  is a subgroup of the group  $(Q,\cdot)$ 

Indeed:

By (1) from 1° and by the definition of the  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation of an n-groupoid [:1.2.2], we conclude that  $\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})$  is the neutral element of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ , whence, by (0) [from 1°], we conclude that the neutral element  $\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})$  of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$  belongs to  $C_t$ , i. e., that

$$\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}) \in C_y.$$

Further on, if f is an inversing operation in the n-group (Q, A) [:1.2.6], then the unary operation  $^{-1}$  in Q, defined with

(5) 
$$x^{-1} \stackrel{def}{=} f(c_1^{n-2}, x),$$

is an inversing operation in the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ . In addition, for every  $\theta \in P(Q^2)$  the following implication holds

(6) 
$$\theta \in Con(Q, A) \Rightarrow \theta \in Con(Q, f)$$

[:[12]; 1.4.4]. Finally, using the statements connected with (1) [from 1°] and connected with (4)-(6), and also by Proposition 1.2.6, we conclude that for every  $x, y \in Q$  the following series of implications holds

$$\begin{split} x \in C_t \wedge y \in C_t & \Rightarrow x \theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}) \wedge y \theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}) \\ & \Rightarrow f(c_1^{n-2}, x) \theta f(c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})) \wedge y \theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}) \\ & \Rightarrow A(f(c_1^{n-2}, x), c_1^{n-2}, y) \theta A(f(c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})), c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})) \\ & \Rightarrow A(f(c_1^{n-2}, x), c_1^{n-2}, y) \theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}) \\ & \Rightarrow x^{-1} \cdot y \theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}) \\ & \Rightarrow x^{-1} \cdot y \in C_t, \end{split}$$

whence we conclude that  $(C_t, \cdot)$  is a subgroup of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$ .

$$3^{\circ} (C_t, \cdot) \triangleleft (Q, \cdot).$$

Indeed:

Let a be an arbitrary element from Q and let x be an arbitrary element from  $C_t$ . Then, by Proposition 1.4.4, Proposition 1.2.6, (1) [from 1°] and (5) [from 2°], we conclude that the following series of equivalences holds

$$x \in C_t \Leftrightarrow x\theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A(a, c_1^{n-2}, x)\theta A(a, c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A(a, c_1^{n-2}, x)\theta a$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A(A(a, c_1^{n-2}, x), c_1^{n-2}, f(c_1^{n-2}, a))\theta A(a, c_1^{n-2}, f(c_1^{n-2}, a))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A(A(a, c_1^{n-2}, x), c_1^{n-2}, f(c_1^{n-2}, a))\theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a \cdot x \cdot a^{-1} \in C_t.$$

 $4^{\circ} (C_t, \varphi)$  is a 1-groupoid.

Indeed:

By Proposition 1.4.4, (2) from 1°, by the fact that  $\varphi \in Aut(Q, \cdot)$ , and also since  $\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})$  is the neutral element of the group  $(Q, \cdot)$  [:1°], we conclude that for every  $x \in Q$  the following series of equivalences holds

$$x \in C_t \Leftrightarrow x\theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), x, c_1^{n-2})\theta A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), c_1^{n-2})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varphi(x)\theta \varphi(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varphi(x)\theta \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \in C_t$$

whence we conclude that the statement (ii) holds.

5° Since  $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$  [defined with (1)-(3) in 1°] is an nHG-algebra associated to the n-group (Q, A) [:1.3.3], by (i) and (ii), we conclude that for every  $x_1^n \in C_t$  there is  $y \in C_t$  such that the following equality holds

$$A(x_1^n) = y \cdot b.$$

Whence, since  $C_t \in Q/\theta$ ,  $\theta \in Con(Q, A)$  and, by Theorem 4.1,  $\theta \in Con(Q, \cdot)$ , we conclude that also the statement (iii) holds.

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