

ON B -ALGEBRAS AND GROUPS

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ABSTRACT In the paper the following propositions are proved. 1) If (Q, \cdot, e) is a B -algebra, then there exists a group $(Q, A, {}^{-1}, 1)$ such that the following equalities hold $e = 1$ and $x = {}^{-1}A$, where ${}^{-1}A(x, y) = z \stackrel{def}{\iff} A(z, y) = x$, and 2) If $(Q, A, {}^{-1}, e)$ is a group, then (Q, \cdot, A, e) is a B -algebra

1. Preliminaries

DEFINITION 1.1 (cf. [3]). Let (Q, \cdot) be a groupoid. Let also e be a (fixed) element of the set Q . (Q, \cdot, e) is said to be a B -algebra iff the following laws hold:

- (i) $x \cdot x = e$,
- (ii) $x \cdot e = x$ and
- (iii) $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (z \cdot (e \cdot y))$.

PROPOSITION 1.2 [3]. *If (Q, \cdot, e) is a B -algebra, then (Q, \cdot) is a quasigroup.*

PROPOSITION 1.3 [3]. *Let (Q, \cdot, e) be a B -algebra. Then for all $x \in Q$ the following equality holds:*

- (iv) $e \cdot (e \cdot x) = x$

2. Two auxiliary proposition

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PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let (Q, \cdot, e) be a B -algebra. Let also*

$$f(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e \cdot x$$

for all $x \in Q$. Then:

- (1) f is a permutation of the set Q ; and
- (2) $f \circ f = I$, where $I = \{(x, x) | x \in Q\}$.

PROOF. By Proposition 1.2 and Proposition 1.3.

PROPOSITION 2.2. *Let (Q, \cdot, e) be a B -algebra. Let also*

$$f(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e \cdot x$$

for all $x \in Q$. Then, for each $x, y \in Q$ the following equality holds:

$$x \cdot f(y) = f(f(y) \cdot x)$$

PROOF. By Definition 1.1(iii), $x = e$ and Proposition 2.1.

3. Results

THEOREM 3.1. *Let (Q, \cdot, e) be a B -algebra and let*

- (v) $f(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e \cdot x$ for all $x \in Q$.

Let also

- (vi) $a * b \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a \cdot f(b)$ for each $a, b \in Q$.

Then the groupoid $(Q, *)$ is a group. Moreover, for each $x, y \in Q$ the following equalities hold:

- (a) $x * e = x$,
- (b) $x * f(x) = e$, and
- (c) $x \cdot y = {}^{-1}A(x, y)$, where $A = *$ and ${}^{-1}A(a, b) = c \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} A(c, b) = a$ for each $a, b, c \in Q$.

PROOF. Firstly we observe that under the assumptions the following statements hold:

(1) The groupoid $(Q, *)$ is isotopic (in the sense of [1] and [2]) to the groupoid (Q, \cdot) (by (v),(vi) and Proposition 2.1);

(2) The groupoid $(Q, *)$ is a quasigroup (by (1) and Proposition 1.2); and

(3) The groupoid $(Q, *)$ is a semigroup. Indeed, by Definition 1.1 (iii), (v), (vi), Proposition 2.1 and Proposition 2.2, we conclude that the following series of implications hold:

$$\begin{aligned} (a \cdot b) \cdot c &= a \cdot (c \cdot f(b)) \xrightarrow{2,2} (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot f(f(b) \cdot c) \xrightarrow{(vi),2,1} \\ (a * f(b)) * f(c) &= a * f(f(f(b) * f(c))) \xrightarrow{2,1(2)} \\ (a * f(b)) * f(c) &= a * (f(b) * f(c)) \end{aligned}$$

for all $a, b, c \in Q$. Whence, by Proposition 2.1(1), we conclude that the groupoid $(Q, *)$ is a semigroup.

By (2) and (3), we conclude that the groupoid $(Q, *)$ is a group. The proof of (a):

$$x \stackrel{(i)}{=} x \cdot e \stackrel{(vi),2,1}{=} x * f(e) \stackrel{1,3,2,1}{=} x * e.$$

The proof of (b):

$$e \stackrel{(i)}{=} x \cdot x \stackrel{(vi),2,1}{=} x * f(x).$$

The proof of (c):

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{-1}A(x, y) &= z \stackrel{def}{\iff} A(z, y) = x \stackrel{A=*}{\iff} z * y = x \\ &\iff z = x * y^{-1} \stackrel{(b)}{\iff} z = x * f(y) \stackrel{(vi),2,1}{\iff} z = x \cdot y \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 3.2 *Let $(Q, A, {}^{-1}, e)$ be a group and let*

$${}^{-1}A(x, y) = z \stackrel{def}{\iff} A(z, y) = x$$

for each $x, y, z \in Q$. Then the algebra $(Q, {}^{-1}A, e)$ is a B-algebra.

PROOF. At first observe that

$${}^{-1}A(x, y) = z \stackrel{def}{\iff} A(z, y) = x \iff z = A(x, y^{-1}).$$

$${}^{-1}A(x, e) = A(x, e^{-1}) = A(x, e) = x.$$

$${}^{-1}A(x, x) = A(x, x^{-1}) = e.$$

$$x^{-1} = A(e, x^{-1}) = {}^{-1}A(e, x).$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{-1}A({}^{-1}A(x, y), z) &= A(A(x, y^{-1}), z^{-1}) = A(x, A(y^{-1}, z^{-1})) \\ &= A(x, (A(z, y))^{-1}) = {}^{-1}A(x, A(z, y)) \\ &= {}^{-1}A(x, A(z, (y^{-1})^{-1})) = {}^{-1}A(x, {}^{-1}A(z, y^{-1})) \\ &= {}^{-1}A(x, {}^{-1}A(z, {}^{-1}A(e, y))). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

4. Remarks

4.1. In the [4] the following proposition is proved: A BCI-algebra $(Q, \cdot, 0)$ is a BCI-quasigroup iff there exists a commutative group $(Q, +, 0)$ such that $x \cdot y = x - y$. (In this case $x + y = x(0y)$.) In [5] the following propositions are proved:

(1) A BCI-algebra $(Q, \cdot, 0)$ is right alternative, left alternative or flexible iff it is a group of the exponent 2; and

(2) A weak BCC-algebra is a Boolean group iff it satisfies (at least) one of the following identities $x \cdot (y \cdot x) = y$, $(x \cdot y) \cdot x = y$. See, also [6].

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4.2. The algebra (Q, \cdot, f) satisfying the law

$$(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot f(f(y) \cdot z)$$

is described in [7]

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