

## ON $(n, m)$ -GROUPS FOR $n > 2m$

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ABSTRACT. In this article a theorem about a  $(2m, m)$ -group of Čupona-Dimovski is generalized.

### 1. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 1.1.** [1] Let  $n \geq m + 1$  and let  $(Q; A)$  be an  $(n, m)$ -groupoid  $(A : Q^n \rightarrow Q^m)$ . We say that  $(Q; A)$  is an  $(n, m)$ -group iff the following statements hold:

(i) For every  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n - m + 1\}$ ,  $i < j$ , the following law holds

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

[: $i, j$  > -associative law]; and

(ii) For every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n - m + 1\}$  and for every  $a_1^n \in Q$  there is exactly one  $x_1^m \in Q^m$  such that the following equality holds

$$A(a_1^{i-1}, x_1^m, a_i^{n-m}) = a_{n-m+1}^n.$$

Also see [3].

**Definition 1.2.** [6] Let  $n \geq 2m$  and let  $(Q; A)$  be an  $(n, m)$ -groupoid. Let also  $\mathbf{e}$  be a mapping of the set  $Q^{n-2m}$  into the set  $Q^m$ . Then, we say that  $\mathbf{e}$  is a  $\{1, n - m + 1\}$ -neutral operation of the  $(n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; A)$  iff for every sequence  $a_1^{n-2m}$  over  $Q$  and for every  $x_1^m \in Q^m$  the following equalities hold

$$A(x_1^m, a_1^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m})) = x_1^m \text{ and } A(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{n-2m}, x_1^m) = x_1^m.$$

*Remark.* For  $m = 1$   $\mathbf{e}$  is a  $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation of the  $n$ -groupoid  $(Q; A)$  [5]. Cf. Chapter II in [8].

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**Proposition 1.3.** [6] *Let  $(Q; A)$  be an  $(n, m)$ -groupoid and let  $n \geq 2m$ . Then there is at most one  $\{1, n - m + 1\}$ -neutral operation of  $(Q; A)$ .*

**Proposition 1.4.** [6] *Every  $(n, m)$ -group ( $n \geq 2m$ ) has a  $\{1, n - m + 1\}$ -neutral operation.*

Also see [7].

## 2. AUXILIARY PROPOSITION

**Proposition 2.1.** [4] *Let  $(Q; A)$  be an  $(n, m)$ -group,  $\mathbf{e}$  its  $\{1, n - m + 1\}$ -neutral operation (1.2-1.4) and  $n > 2m$ . Then for every  $a_1^{n-2m}, x_1^m \in Q$  and for all  $j \in \{1, \dots, n - 2m + 1\}$  the following equalities hold*

$$A(x_1^m, a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}) = x_1^m \quad \text{and} \quad (1)$$

$$A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, x_1^m) = x_1^m. \quad (2)$$

*Remark.* For  $m = 1$  see Proposition 1.1-IV in [8].

### Main part of the proof.

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_1^m, a_1^{n-2m}) &\stackrel{def}{=} A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, x_1^m) \Rightarrow \\ &A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, F(x_1^m, a_1^{n-2m})) = \\ &A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, x_1^m)) \stackrel{(i)}{\implies} \\ &A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, F(x_1^m, a_1^{n-2m})) = \\ &A(a_j^{n-2m}, A(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m})), a_1^{j-1}, x_1^m) \stackrel{1.2, 1.4}{\implies} \\ &A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, F(x_1^m, a_1^{n-2m})) = \\ &A(a_j^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{j-1}, x_1^m) \stackrel{(ii)}{\implies} F(x_1^m, a_1^{n-2m}) = x_1^m. \end{aligned}$$

Whence, we obtain (2). □

## 3. RESULT

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $n > 2m, m > 1$ ,  $(Q; A)$  be an  $(n, m)$ -group and  $\mathbf{e}$  its  $\{1, n - m + 1\}$ -neutral operation (1.2-1.4). Then for all  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, m\}$  for all  $t \in \{1, \dots, n - 2m + 1\}$ , for every  $x_1^m \in Q^m$  and for every sequence  $a_1^{n-2m}$  over  $Q$  the following equality holds*

$$A(x_1^i, a_t^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{t-1}, x_{i+1}^m) = x_1^m.$$

*Remark.* Theorem 3.1 for  $n = 2m$  ( $m > 1$ ) is proved in [2]. Also see [3].

**Main part of the proof.**

1) Instead of  $\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m})$  we write

$$\overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=1}^m$$

where  $\mathbf{e}_j : Q^{n-2m} \rightarrow Q$ .

2)

$$\begin{aligned} & A(x_1^i, a_t^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{t-1}, x_{i+1}^m) \stackrel{(2)j=1}{=} \\ & A(a_1^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), A(x_1^i, a_t^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{t-1}, x_{i+1}^m) \stackrel{1)}{=} \\ & A(a_1^{n-2m}, \overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=1}^m, A(x_1^i, a_t^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{t-1}, x_{i+1}^m) = \\ & A(a_1^{n-2m}, \overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=1}^i, \overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=i+1}^m, \\ & \quad A(x_1^i, a_t^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{t-1}, x_{i+1}^m) \stackrel{(i)}{=} \\ & A(a_1^{n-2m}, \overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=1}^i, A(\overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=i+1}^m, \\ & \quad x_1^i, a_t^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), a_1^{t-1}, x_{i+1}^m) \stackrel{(1)}{=} \\ & A(a_1^{n-2m}, \overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=1}^i, \overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=i+1}^m, x_1^i, x_{i+1}^m) = \\ & A(a_1^{n-2m}, \overline{\mathbf{e}_j(a_1^{n-2m})} \Big|_{j=1}^m, x_1^m) \stackrel{1)}{=} \\ & A(a_1^{n-2m}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2m}), x_1^m) \stackrel{(2)j=1}{=} x_1^m, \quad 0 < i < m. \end{aligned}$$

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