

ON A CLASS OF  $D$ -HYPERGROUPOIDS

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**Abstract:** In this article, besides others, a 2-partition of Hartmanis  $\mathbf{P}_2(Q)$  [ $|l| \geq 3, l \in \mathbf{P}_2(Q)$ ] is described as a  $D$ -hypergroupoid  $(Q; A)$ . In particular, if  $|l| = 3$  for every  $l \in \mathbf{P}_2(Q)$ , then  $\mathbf{P}_2(Q)$  is a Steiner triple system, and the corresponding hypergroupoid is essentially an idempotent  $TS$ -quasigroup.

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1. Preliminaries

**Definitions 1.1.** Let  $Q$  be a non-empty set and  $P(Q)$  its power set. Let  $A$  be a mapping of the set  $Q^2$  into the set  $P(Q)$ . Then we say:

- a) we say that the mapping  $A$  is a *hyperoperation in  $Q$* ; and
- b) we say that the ordered pair  $(Q; A)$  is a *hypergroupoid*.

**Remark.** A notion of a *hypergroup* was introduced by F. Marty in [5] as a generalization of the notion of a group (see, also [1] and [7]).

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $(Q; A)$  be a hypergroupoid and  $\alpha$  a permutation of the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Also let

$$A^\alpha(x_1, x_2) \ni x_3 \stackrel{def}{=} A(x_{\alpha(1)}, x_{\alpha(2)}) \ni x_{\alpha(3)}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in Q$ . Then  $(Q; A^\alpha)$  is a hypergroupoid.

**Definition 1.3.** (see [7]) Let  $(Q; A)$  be a hypergroupoid and  $\alpha$  a permutation of the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Also let

$$A^\alpha(x_1, x_2) \ni x_3 \stackrel{def}{=} A(x_{\alpha(1)}, x_{\alpha(2)}) \ni x_{\alpha(3)}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in Q$ . Then we say that hyperoperation is an  $\alpha$ -*parastrofific hyperoperation to the hyperoperation*  $A$ .

Furthermore, let:

$$\begin{aligned} A \stackrel{def}{=} A[I \stackrel{def}{=} \{(x, x) | x \in \{1, 2, 3\}\}], \\ {}^{-1}A(x_1, x_2) \ni x_3 \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} A(x_3, x_2) \ni x_1, \\ A^{-1}(x_1, x_2) \ni x_3 \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} A(x_1, x_3) \ni x_2, \\ A^*(x_1, x_2) \ni x_3 \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} A(x_2, x_1) \ni x_3, \quad [A^*(x_1, x_2) = A(x_2, x_1)] \\ {}^{-1}(A^*)(x_1, x_2) \ni x_3 \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} A(x_3, x_1) \ni x_2, \text{ and} \\ (A^*)^{-1}(x_1, x_2) \ni x_3 \stackrel{def}{\Leftrightarrow} A(x_2, x_3) \ni x_1, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in Q$  (see also [2] or [3]).

**Proposition 1.4.** (see [7]) Let  $(Q; A)$  be a hypergroupoid and  $\alpha$  a permutation of the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Then  $\{A^\alpha, {}^{-1}(A^\alpha), (A^\alpha)^{-1}, (A^\alpha)^*, {}^{-1}((A^\alpha)^*), (((A^\alpha)^*)^{-1})\} = \{A, {}^{-1}A, A^{-1}, A^*, {}^{-1}(A^*), (A^*)^{-1}\}$ .

In [4] J. Hartmanis introduced the notion of a partition of type  $n$  ( $n \in N$ ) for sets having at least  $n$  distinct elements, by means of the following definition.

**Definition 1.5.** (see [4]) Let  $|Q| \geq n, n \in N$  and

$$Q^{(n)} \stackrel{def}{=} \{\{a_1^n\} | \{a_1^n\} \subseteq Q \wedge |\{a_1^n\}| = n\}.$$

Then we say that  $\mathbf{P}_n(Q)$  is a *partition of  $Q$  of the type  $n$*  (briefly:  $n$ -partitions of  $Q$ ) iff the following statements hold:

- H1.** For each  $C \in \mathbf{P}_n(Q)$  there is at least one  $\{a_1^n\} \in Q^{(n)}$  such that  $\{a_1^n\} \subseteq C$ ; and
- H2.** For each  $\{a_1^n\} \in Q^{(n)}$  there is exactly one  $C \in \mathbf{P}_n(Q)$  such that  $\{a_1^n\} \subseteq C$ .

**Remark.** Partitions of type 1 are the ordinary partitions of a set, and partitions of type 2 are *incidence geometries*.

**2. TS-Hypergroupoids and  $D$ -Hypergroupoids**

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(Q; A)$  be a hypergroupoid. Then we say that  $(Q; A)$  is a *totally symmetric hypergroupoid* (briefly: TS-hypergroupoid) iff for any permutation  $\alpha$  on  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  we have  $A^\alpha = A$ .

**Definition 2.2.** We say that a hypergroupoid  $(Q; A)$  is a *hypergroupoid with divisions* (briefly:  $D$ -hypergroupoid) iff the following statements hold:

- For all  $a, b \in Q$   $A(a, b) \neq \emptyset$ ,
- For all  $a, b \in Q$   ${}^{-1}A(a, b) \neq \emptyset$  and
- For all  $a, b \in Q$   $A^{-1}(a, b) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Remark.** In [6]: hyperquasigroup. See also [7].

**Remarks 2.3.** a) Hypergroupoid  $(Q; A)$  in Table 1 is a  $TS$ - and  $D$ -hypergroupoid; and b)  $(Q; B)$  in Table 2 is a  $TS$ - hypergroupoid and not a  $D$ -hypergroupoid.

$A$	1	2
1	{1}	{2}
2	{2}	{1, 2}

$B$	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	{1}	{3}	{2}	{6}	$\emptyset$	{4}
2	{3}	{2}	{1}	{5}	{4}	$\emptyset$
3	{2}	{1}	{3}	$\emptyset$	{6}	{5}
4	{6}	{5}	$\emptyset$	{4}	{2}	{1}
5	$\emptyset$	{4}	{6}	{2}	{5}	{3}
6	{4}	$\emptyset$	{5}	{1}	{3}	{6}

Table 1.

Table 2.

**Proposition 2.4.** (see [7]) *Let  $(Q; A)$  be a  $D$ -hypergroupoid. Then for all  $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}!$  the hypergroupoid  $(Q; A^\alpha)$  is a  $D$ -hypergroupoid.*

**Proposition 2.5.** *Hypergroupoid  $(Q; A)$  is a  $TS$ -hypergroupoid iff the following equalities hold:  ${}^{-1}A = A^{-1} = A$ .*

*Sketch of a Part of the Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^*(x, y) \ni z &\Leftrightarrow A(y, x) \ni z \\
 &\Leftrightarrow A^{-1}(y, z) \ni x \\
 &\Leftrightarrow {}^{-1}(A^{-1})(x, z) \ni y \\
 &\Leftrightarrow ({}^{-1}(A^{-1}))^{-1}(x, y) \ni z.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^{-1}(A^*)(x, y) \ni z &\Leftrightarrow A^*(z, y) \ni x \\
 &\Leftrightarrow A(y, z) \ni x \\
 &\Leftrightarrow {}^{-1}A(x, z) \ni y \\
 &\Leftrightarrow ({}^{-1}A)^{-1}(x, y) \ni z.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A^*)^{-1}(x, y) \ni z &\Leftrightarrow A^*(x, z) \ni y \\
 &\Leftrightarrow A(z, x) \ni y \\
 &\Leftrightarrow A^{-1}(z, y) \ni x \\
 &\Leftrightarrow {}^{-1}(A^{-1})(x, y) \ni z.
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3. < 2, 2 >-Invertible Hypergroupoids

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(Q; A)$  be a hypergroupoid. Then we say that  $(Q; A)$  is  $\langle 2, 2 \rangle$ -invertible iff for each  $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \in Q$  the following statement holds:

$$|\{a_1^2, b_1^2\}| = 4 \wedge A(a_1^2) \supseteq \{b_1^2\} \wedge A(a_2, a_1) \supseteq \{b_1^2\} \\ \Rightarrow A(b_1^2) \supseteq \{a_1^2\} \wedge A(b_2, b_1) \supseteq \{a_1^2\}.$$

A	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	{1}	{3, 4, 5}	{4, 5, 6}	{2, 6}	{4}	{2}
2	{3, 4, 5}	{2}	{4, 5}	{5}	{6}	{1, 4}
3	{4, 5, 6}	{4, 5}	{3}	{1, 2}	{1, 2}	{5}
4	{2, 6}	{5}	{1, 2}	{4}	{1, 2, 3}	{1, 3}
5	{4}	{6}	{1, 2}	{1, 2, 3}	{5}	{1, 3}
6	{5}	{1, 4}	{2}	{1, 3}	{1, 3}	{6}

Table 3

B	1	2	3	4	5
1	{1}	{3, 4, 5}	{2}	{2}	{2}
2	{3, 4, 5}	{2}	{1}	{1}	{1}
3	{2}	{1}	{3}	{5}	{4}
4	{2}	{1}	{5}	{4}	{3}
5	{2}	{1}	{4}	{3}	{5}

Table 4

**Remarks 3.2.** a) Hypergroupoid  $(\{1, \dots, 6\}; A)$  in Table 3 and hypergroupoid  $(\{1, \dots, 5\}; B)$  in Table 4 are  $D$ -hypergroupoids and idempotent ( $C(x, x) = \{x\}$  for all  $x \in Q$ ;  $(Q; C)$  hypergroupoid).

b) Hypergroupoid  $(\{1, \dots, 6\}; A)$  in Table 3 is a  $\langle 2, 2 \rangle$ -invertible hypergroupoid and not a  $TS$ -hypergroupoid  $A(1, 6) = \{2\}$  and  $A(6, 1) = \{5\}$ .

c) Hypergroupoid  $(\{1, \dots, 5\}; B)$  in Table 4 is a  $TS$ -hypergroupoid and not a  $\langle 2, 2 \rangle$ -invertible hypergroupoid.

### 4. 2-Partitions and Hypergroupoids

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\mathbf{P}_2(Q)$  be a 2-partition of  $Q$ , and let  $|l| \geq 3$  for all  $l \in \mathbf{P}_2(Q)$ . Also, let

$$A(x_1^2) \stackrel{def}{=} \begin{cases} l \setminus \{x_1^2\}; \{x_1^2\} \subseteq l, x_1 \neq x_2, \\ \{x_1^2\}; x_1 = x_2, \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

where  $l \in \mathbf{P}_2(Q)$ . Then: (a)  $(Q; A)$  is a  $D$ -hypergroupoid;

(b)  $(Q; A)$  is a  $TS$ -hypergroupoid;

(c)  $(Q; A)$  is a  $\langle 2, 2 \rangle$ -inverible hypergroupoid; and (d)  $(Q; A)$  is an idempotent hypergroupoid.

*Proof.* By (1), Definition 1.6 and Proposition 2.5. □

**Remarks 4.2.** a) If  $|l| = 3$  for every  $l \in \mathbf{P}_2(Q)$ , then  $\mathbf{P}_2(Q)$  is a Steiner triple system (cf. [1-3]).

b) In [6]:

$$A(x_1^2) \stackrel{def}{=} \begin{cases} l; \{x_1^2\} \subseteq l, x_1 \neq x_2, \\ \{x_1^2\}; x_1 = x_2. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 4.3.** Let  $(Q; A)$  be a hypergroupoid such that the statements (a) – (d) from Theorem 4.1 hold. Also, let:

$l_{\{x_1^2\}} \stackrel{def}{=} A(x_1^2) \cup \{x_1^2\}$  for all  $\{x_1^2\} \in Q^{(2)}$  (cf. 1.5). Moreover, let  $\mathcal{L}_A(Q) \stackrel{def}{=} \{l_{\{x_1^2\}} | \{x_1^2\} \in Q^{(2)}\}$ .

Then:

- 1)  $\mathcal{L}_A(Q)$  is a 2-partition of  $Q$ ; and
- 2)  $|l| \geq 3$  for all  $l \in \mathcal{L}_A(Q)$ .

*Proof.* a) By (a), (b) and (d), we have 2).

b) By a), we obtain H1.

c) By (a)-(c), we have H2.

d) By b) and c), we obtain 1). □

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