

ON SEMI-SYMMETRIC (α, β, γ) -INVERSE QUASIGROUP

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Quasigroups and loops are generalizations of groups (see [2, 9, 10]).

Definition 1. Let (Q, \cdot) be a system of non-empty set Q and a binary operation (\cdot) . (Q, \cdot) will be called a quasigroup if for $a, b \in Q$, the equations $a \cdot x = b$ and $y \cdot a = b$ have unique solutions $(x, y) \in Q \times Q$.

Definition 2. A quasigroup (Q, \cdot) , in which there is a unique element $\mu \in Q$, such that $x \cdot \mu = x = \mu \cdot x \ \forall x \in Q$, is called a loop. The element μ is called the identity element in Q .

In associative algebraic systems, the notion of an inverse element or property holds significance only when the system possesses a neutral element, as seen in groups, for instance. Nevertheless, in quasigroups, the inverse property can be meaningfully established even when there is no neutral element present.

Definition 3. A quasigroup (Q, \cdot) will be said to have the inverse property if there are permutations on Q : $J_\lambda : x \rightarrow x^\lambda$ and $J_\rho : x \rightarrow x^\rho$ such that $x^\lambda(xy) = y$ and $(yx)x^\rho = y$ for $x, y \in Q$.

Certain varieties of quasigroups or loops lack the inverse property, yet exhibit characteristics that can be viewed as variations of the inverse property.

Definition 4. A quasigroup (Q, \cdot) has the cross-inverse-property (and is called a CIP quasigroup) if there exists a permutation $J : Q \rightarrow Q$; $x \mapsto xJ$ such that either of the following holds: $(x \cdot y) \cdot xJ = y$ or $xJ \cdot (y \cdot x) = y$ for all $x, y \in Q$. If (Q, \cdot) is a loop with the neutral element μ , then $J = J_\lambda$ or $J = J_\rho$ and we have a CIP loop.

This class of quasigroup and loop, and their generalizations have been studied and found to be applicable to cryptography (see [7, 3]). Among such generalizations is the m -inverse quasigroup and loop (see [4]).

Definition 5. If there is a permutation J of elements of a quasigroup (Q, \cdot) such that $\forall x, y \in Q$ $(x \cdot y)J^m \cdot xJ^{m+1} = yJ^m$, where m is an integer, then (Q, \cdot) is called an m -inverse quasigroup. In the special case (Q, \cdot) is a loop with neutral element μ and $x \cdot xJ = \mu$ for all $x \in Q$, then we have an m -inverse loop.

Another of such is the (r, s, t) -inverse quasigroup (see [1, 5, 6]) which (α, β, γ) -inverse quasigroup generalizes.

Definition 6. If there is a permutation J of elements of a quasigroup (Q, \cdot) such that $\forall x, y \in Q$ $(x \cdot y)J^r \cdot xJ^s = yJ^t$, where r, s and t are integers, then (Q, \cdot) is called an (r, s, t) -inverse quasigroup. If in addition, (Q, \cdot) is a loop and the permutation J is such that $x \cdot xJ = \mu$, where μ is the neutral element in Q , then (Q, \cdot) is an (r, s, t) -inverse loop.

A quasigroup (Q, \cdot) will be called an (α, β, γ) -inverse quasigroup, if there exist fixed permutations α, β and γ of Q , such that $(x \cdot y)\alpha \cdot x\beta = y\gamma \ \forall (x, y) \in Q \times Q$.

Conjecture 7. *A quasigroup can have more than one triple of bijections (α, β, γ) , for which the (α, β, γ) -inverse property holds.*

In this work, examples were given to illustrate that a quasigroup can have more than one (α, β, γ) -inverse property.

Definition 8. Let (Q, \cdot) be a quasigroup. Define the set Δ_Q as follows:

$$\Delta_Q := \{\omega = \langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma \rangle : (x \cdot y)\alpha \cdot x\beta = y\gamma, x, y \in Q\}$$

where α, β , and γ are permutations of Q .

Definition 9. A quasigroup (Q, \cdot) is said to be semi-symmetric if it satisfies the identity $(x \cdot y) \cdot x = y$ for all $x, y \in Q$.

For non-empty set Δ_Q of quasigroup (Q, \cdot) , it was shown that if the semi-symmetry law holds in (Q, \cdot) , it induces a binary operation on Δ_Q for which Δ_Q is a group.

Theorem 10. *Let (Q, \cdot) be an (α, β, γ) -inverse quasigroup. If (Q, \cdot) is semi-symmetric, then there exists a binary operation \otimes on Δ_Q , such that (Δ_Q, \otimes) is a group.*

Conjecture 11. *There is relationship between Δ_Q and the autotopism group $ATP(Q)$, for a quasigroup (Q, \cdot) .*

Interestingly, this relation is actually an isomorphism between Δ_Q and the autotopism group of (Q, \cdot) .

Theorem 12. *For an (α, β, γ) -inverse quasigroup (Q, \cdot) that is semi-symmetric, (Δ_Q, \otimes) and $ATP(Q)$ are isomorphic i.e $\Delta_Q \cong ATP(Q)$.*

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