

A parastrophic equivalence in quasigroups

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Abstract

In this paper there are found of "lowest" representants of classes of a parastrophic equivalence in quasigroups satisfying identities of the type

$$w_1 \square_1 (w_2 \square_2 \dots (w_n \square_n x)) \simeq x, \quad 1 < n,$$

where \square_i is a parastrophe of \square_1 for all $i \leq n$ and w_1, \dots, w_n are terms in $Q(\cdot)$ and its parastrophes that not contain variable x . These representants are listed for $1 < n < 5$ by a personal computer.

1. Introduction

With any given quasigroup (Q, \cdot) there are associated five operations $*, /, \backslash, \Delta, \nabla$ (see the following part 1) that we shall call *conjugates* of (\cdot) (see [1], [4]) or *parastrophes* of (\cdot) (see [3]). If a quasigroup (Q, \cdot) satisfies a given identity, say I, then in general, for example $(Q, /)$ will satisfy a different conjugate identity, say II. Therefore it is in some sense true that the theory of quasigroups that satisfy the identity I is equivalent to the theory of quasigroups which satisfy the identity II, as has been remarked by Stein in [4].

In [3], Sade has given some general rules for determining the identities satisfied by the parastrophes of a quasigroup (Q, \cdot) when (Q, \cdot) satisfies a given identity involving some elements of the set $\Sigma(\cdot) = \{\cdot, *, /, \nabla, \backslash, \Delta\}$. In [4], Stein has listed the conjugate identities for a

number well-known identities. More extensive list is given in Belousov [1]. With respect to a parastrophic equivalence, Belousov in [2] has given a classification of all quasigroup identities which are of the type $x \square_1 (x \square_2 (x \square_3 y)) \simeq y$, where $\square_i \in \sum(\cdot)$ for all $i = 1, 2, 3$.

In this paper we give a generalization and a simplification of methods used in [2].

2. Preliminaries

Let (Q, \cdot) be a fixed quasigroup, $\mathcal{T} = \{L, R, T, L^{-1}, R^{-1}, T^{-1}\}$, and $\sum(\cdot) = \{\cdot, *, /, \nabla, \backslash, \Delta\}$, where $x \cdot y = z \Leftrightarrow y * x = z \Leftrightarrow z/y = x \Leftrightarrow y \nabla z = x \Leftrightarrow x \backslash z = y \Leftrightarrow z \Delta x = y$.

Further, let $L_a x = a \cdot x$, $R_a x = x \cdot a$, $L_a' x = a/x$, $R_a^\nabla x = x \nabla a$, $T_a x = x \backslash a$, $L_a L_a^{-1} x = x$, ... Then it holds the relations given by Table 1. This table we read like this: $L^\nabla = R^{-1}$, $(R^{-1})^\backslash = T^{-1}$, ..., $\varphi_2(R^{-1}) = \varphi_2 R^{-1} = (R^{-1})' = R$, $\varphi_5 R = L^{-1}$, $R_a^{-1} = (R_a)^{-1}$, $T_a^{-1} = (T_a)^{-1}$.

Table 1

| | \cdot | $*$ | $/$ | ∇ | \backslash | Δ |
|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| L | L | R | T^{-1} | R^{-1} | L^{-1} | T |
| R | R | L | R^{-1} | T^{-1} | T | L^{-1} |
| T | T | T^{-1} | L^{-1} | L | R | R^{-1} |
| L^{-1} | L^{-1} | R^{-1} | T | R | L | T^{-1} |
| R^{-1} | R^{-1} | L^{-1} | R | T | T^{-1} | L |
| T^{-1} | T^{-1} | T | L | L^{-1} | R^{-1} | R |
| | φ_0 | φ_1 | φ_2 | φ_3 | φ_4 | φ_5 |

From this table directly follows that $(\varphi_i x)^{-1} = \varphi_i(x^{-1})$ for all $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 5\}$ and for all $x \in \mathcal{T}$. If (Q, \square) is a quasigroup, then the mappings L_a^\square , R_a^\square , ..., $(T_a^{-1})^\square$ are called *translations* of \square . Every operation in $\sum(\cdot)$ is named a *parastrophe* of (\cdot) .

If a quasigroup (Q, \cdot) satisfies a given identity, for example

$$y \simeq (x \setminus yz)/zx, \tag{1}$$

then in general each of its parastrophes will satisfy a different conjugate identities. Thus, for example, (1) is equivalent to $y \cdot zx \simeq x \setminus yz$; if denote $zx = u$, $yz = v$ and $yu = t$ (i.e. $x = z \setminus u$, $z = y \setminus v$, $u = y \setminus t$), then

$$t \simeq ((y \setminus v) \setminus (y \setminus t)) \setminus v. \tag{2}$$

Hence, (Q, \cdot) satisfies (1) iff (Q, \setminus) satisfies (2). If (2) is written with terms of (Q, \cdot) , then obtain

$$c \simeq (ab \cdot ac)b. \tag{3}$$

Thus (3) is a conjugate identity to (1). Further, from (3) we have $R_b L_{ab} L_a \simeq 1$, i.e. $L_a R_b L_{ab} \simeq 1$. Whence $c \simeq a \cdot (ab \cdot c)b$ and if denote $a = y$, $ab = z$, $c = z \setminus x$, then

$$y \simeq (x \cdot (y \setminus z)) \nabla (z \setminus x) \tag{4}$$

is a conjugate identity to (1). (4) we get from (1) if all operations in (1) are substituted by Table 2, i.e. (\cdot) is substituted by $\setminus = \varphi_4(\cdot)$, $*$ by $\Delta = \varphi_4(*)$, \dots , Δ by $\cdot = \varphi_4(\Delta)$ (see Sade [3]).

Table 2

| | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | \cdot | $*$ | $/$ | ∇ | \setminus | Δ |
| \cdot | \cdot | $*$ | $/$ | ∇ | \setminus | Δ |
| $*$ | $*$ | \cdot | ∇ | $/$ | Δ | \setminus |
| $/$ | $/$ | Δ | \cdot | \setminus | ∇ | $*$ |
| ∇ | ∇ | \setminus | $*$ | Δ | $/$ | \cdot |
| \setminus | \setminus | ∇ | Δ | $*$ | \cdot | $/$ |
| Δ | Δ | $/$ | \setminus | \cdot | $*$ | ∇ |
| | φ_0 | φ_1 | φ_2 | φ_3 | φ_4 | φ_5 |

Table 3

| | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | φ_0 | φ_1 | φ_2 | φ_3 | φ_4 | φ_5 |
| φ_0 | φ_0 | φ_1 | φ_2 | φ_3 | φ_4 | φ_5 |
| φ_1 | φ_1 | φ_0 | φ_5 | φ_4 | φ_3 | φ_2 |
| φ_2 | φ_2 | φ_3 | φ_0 | φ_1 | φ_5 | φ_4 |
| φ_3 | φ_3 | φ_2 | φ_4 | φ_5 | φ_1 | φ_0 |
| φ_4 | φ_4 | φ_5 | φ_3 | φ_2 | φ_0 | φ_1 |
| φ_5 | φ_5 | φ_4 | φ_1 | φ_0 | φ_2 | φ_3 |

The identities (1) and (4) may be written by the way as

$$R'_{zx} L_x \setminus R_z \simeq 1, \quad R_z \nabla_x L_x R_z \setminus \simeq 1$$

and with respect to Table 1 and Table 2

$$R_{zx}^{-1}L_x^{-1}R_z \simeq 1, \quad T_{z \setminus x}^{-1}L_xT_z \simeq 1.$$

The ordered tripletes $R^{-1}L^{-1}R$, $T^{-1}LT$ may be assigned to the identities (2), (3). Therefore the triple $R^{-1}L^{-1}R$ will be called *conjugate* to the triple $T^{-1}LT$.

In what follows we shall denote:

$$\mathbf{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\},$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \{L, R, T, L^{-1}, R^{-1}, T^{-1}\},$$

$$[0, n) = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}, \quad n \in \mathbf{N}, \quad n > 0,$$

$$\mathcal{T}^n = \{\alpha : \alpha \text{ is a map } [0, n) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}\} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbf{N}, \quad n > 0,$$

if $\alpha \in \mathcal{T}^n$ then $\alpha = A_{n-1} \dots A_2 A_1 A_0$ and $\alpha(i) = A_i$ for all $i \in [0, n)$,

$$\mathcal{T}^\infty = \mathcal{T} \cup (\mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{T}) \cup (\mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{T}) \cup \dots,$$

$$l(\alpha) = n \iff \alpha \in \mathcal{T}^n,$$

$$\omega : \mathcal{T}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\infty, \quad (\omega\alpha)(i) = \alpha((i+1) \bmod n) \text{ for all } i \in [0, n),$$

it holds $\alpha \in \mathcal{T}^n \Rightarrow \omega\alpha \in \mathcal{T}^n$,

$$\sigma : \mathcal{T}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\infty, \quad (\sigma\alpha)(j) = \alpha(n-1-j) \text{ for } n = l(\alpha) \text{ and}$$

for all $j \in [0, n)$,

$$\rho : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}, \quad L \mapsto L^{-1} \mapsto L, \quad R \mapsto R^{-1} \mapsto R, \quad T \mapsto T^{-1} \mapsto T,$$

i.e. $\rho(A) = A^{-1}$ for all $A \in \mathcal{T}$,

$$\rho : \mathcal{T}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\infty, \quad (\rho\alpha)(i) = \rho(\alpha(i)) \text{ for all } j \in [0, n), \quad n = l(\alpha),$$

$$\kappa : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow [0, 6), \quad L \mapsto 0, \quad R \mapsto 1, \quad T \mapsto 2, \quad L^{-1} \mapsto 3, \quad R^{-1} \mapsto 4,$$

$T^{-1} \mapsto 5$,

$$\kappa : \mathcal{T}^\infty \rightarrow \mathbf{N}, \quad \kappa\alpha = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 10^i \kappa(\alpha(i)), \quad n = l(\alpha),$$

$$\alpha < \beta \text{ for } \alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{T}^\infty \iff \kappa\alpha < \kappa\beta,$$

$$\varphi_i : \mathcal{T}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\infty, \quad (\varphi_i\alpha)(j) = \varphi_i(\alpha(j)) \text{ for all } i \in [0, 6) \text{ and}$$

$j \in [0, n), \quad n = l(\alpha)$, where $\varphi_i : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$ is given in Table 1,

\mathcal{P}_1 – be the group generated by $\{\varphi_i : \mathcal{T}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\infty, \quad i \in [0, 6)\}$,

\mathcal{P} – the group generated by the set $\mathcal{P}_1 \cup \{\rho\sigma, \omega\}$,
(these maps are defined upon \mathcal{T}^∞),

$\varphi_{i+6} : \mathcal{T}^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^\infty$, $\varphi_{i+6} = \sigma\rho\varphi_i$ for all $i \in [0, 6)$, where
 $\varphi_i : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$ is given in Table 1,

$C(i, j, k)(\alpha) = \kappa((\omega^k\varphi_i\alpha)(j))$ for all $i \in [0, 12)$, $j, k \in [0, n)$, $n = l(\alpha)$.

Lemma 1.1. *Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{T}^\infty$, $n = l(\alpha)$ and let $j, k \in [0, n)$. Then the following relations hold*

- (i) $\sigma^2 = \rho^2 = 1$, $\omega\sigma\omega = \sigma$, $\omega^{-1}(\alpha) = \omega^{n-1}(\alpha)$, $\omega^k(\alpha) = \omega^t(\alpha)$
if $k \equiv t \pmod{n}$,
- (ii) every two elements of the set $\{\omega, \sigma, \rho, \varphi_2, \varphi_4\}$ commute,
besides ω, σ and φ_2, φ_4 ,
- (iii) $\mathcal{P}_1 = \{\varphi_i : i \in [0, 12)\}$; \mathcal{P}_1 is generated by $\{\varphi_2, \varphi_4\}$,
- (iv) $\mathcal{P} = \{\omega^k\varphi_i : k \in \mathbf{N}, i \in [0, 12)\}$,
- (v) $C(i, j, 0)(\alpha) = i + (-1)^i\kappa\alpha(j) \pmod{6}$ for $i = 0, 1$,
- (vi) $C(i, j, 0)(\alpha) = 1 - i + (-1)^{i+1}\kappa\alpha(j) \pmod{6}$ for $i = 2, 3, 4, 5$,
- (vii) $C(i + 6, j, 0)(\alpha) = C(i, n - 1 - j, 0) + 3 \pmod{6}$ for $i \in [0, 6)$,
- (viii) $C(i, j, k)(\alpha) = C(i, (j - k) \pmod{6}, 0)(\kappa\alpha)$ for $i \in [0, 12)$.

Proof. (i) $\omega\sigma\omega\alpha(j) = \omega\sigma(\alpha(j+1)) = \omega\alpha(n-1-j-1) = \alpha(n-1-j) = \sigma\alpha(j)$. The rest of the proof is straightforward when we use Table 1 – Table 3. \square

Definition 1.2. $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{T}^\infty$ are called *parastrophic equivalent* if there exists $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}$ such that $\varphi(\alpha) = \beta$.

Obviously the parastrophic equivalence is an equivalence relation; by $[\alpha]$ it will be denoted the class of the relation that comprises α . With respect to (iv) we have

$$[\alpha] = \{ \omega^k\varphi_i(\alpha) : i \in [0, 12), k \in [0, n), n = l(\alpha) \},$$

and by (v) – (viii)

$$[\alpha] = \{ C(i, n - 1, k)(\alpha)C(i, n - 2, k)(\alpha) \dots C(i, 0, k)(\alpha) : i \in [0, 12) \},$$

where $k \in [0, n)$, $n = l(\alpha)$.

In the following (by a personal computer) it will be found the lowest element of a class $[\alpha]$ for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{T}^n$ and $1 < n < 5$.

2. The parastrophic equivalence in $\mathcal{T}^2 - \mathcal{T}^4$

Theorem 2.1. *Let $n \in \{2, 3, 4\}$. Then every α in T^n is parastrophic equivalent to exactly one of the following elements*

| | | | | |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|
| LL | LR | LT | LL^{-1} | (PE2) |
| LLL | LLR | LLT | LLL^{-1} | (PE3) |
| LRT | LRL^{-1} | LRR^{-1} | LRT^{-1} | |
| LTR^{-1} | $LR^{-1}T$ | | | |
| $LLLL$ | $LLTR$ | $LRLR$ | $LTLT$ | (PE4) |
| $LLLR$ | $LLTT$ | $LRLT$ | $LTLL^{-1}$ | |
| $LLLT$ | $LLTL^{-1}$ | $LRLR^{-1}$ | $LTLR^{-1}$ | |
| $LLLL^{-1}$ | $LLTR^{-1}$ | $LRLR^{-1}$ | $LTT^{-1}L^{-1}$ | |
| $LLRR$ | $LLL^{-1}R$ | $LRLT^{-1}$ | $LL^{-1}LL^{-1}$ | |
| $LLRT$ | $LLL^{-1}T$ | $LRTL^{-1}$ | $LL^{-1}T^{-1}T$ | |
| $LLRL^{-1}$ | $LLL^{-1}L^{-1}$ | $LRTR^{-1}$ | | |
| $LLRR^{-1}$ | $LLR^{-1}R$ | $LRL^{-1}T$ | | |
| $LLRT^{-1}$ | $LLR^{-1}T$ | $LRL^{-1}R^{-1}$ | | |
| | $LLT^{-1}R$ | $LRL^{-1}T^{-1}$ | | |
| | | $LRR^{-1}T$ | | |
| | | $LRR^{-1}L^{-1}$ | | |
| | | $LRT^{-1}T$ | | |
| | | $LRT^{-1}L^{-1}$ | | |
| | | $LRT^{-1}R^{-1}$ | | |

In [1] V.D. Belousov defines: A primitive quasigroup $(Q, \cdot, \backslash, /)$ is a Π -quasigroup of type (α, β, γ) if $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \Sigma(\cdot)$ and the quasigroup satisfies the identity

$$L_x^\alpha L_x^\beta L_x^\gamma \simeq 1.$$

This identity is equivalent to the identity $A_x B_x C_x \simeq 1$ for some $A, B, C \in \mathcal{T}$, $A^{-1} \neq B$, $C \neq B^{-1}$, $A \neq C^{-1}$. Therefore we can say that Q is a *quasigroup of type ABC*.

By Belousov [2], two Π -quasigroups of types ABC , DEF , respectively, are called *parastrophic equivalent* if $ABC = \varphi(DEF)$ for some $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}$; it is in the view of the definition of the parastrophic equivalence given in this paper. Thus if from 10 elements of the set $PE3$ delete LLL^{-1} , LRR^{-1} , LRL^{-1} then obtain 7 elements that determine 7 equivalence classes of the parastrophic equivalence relation listed in [2, Table 1].

If we want to determine the equivalence class of the parastrophic equivalency (for example) of the identity

$$(x/y) \setminus (y \setminus x) \simeq x \quad (5)$$

(see [2, p. 16]), then proceed like this: (5) is equivalent to

$$y \setminus x \simeq (x/y)x,$$

i.e.

$$R_x \simeq R_x L'_x$$

whence by Table 1

$$T_z \simeq R_z T_z^{-1}$$

and also

$$R_z T_z^{-1} T_z^{-1} \simeq 1, \quad \varphi_3(RT^{-1}T^{-1}) = R^{-1}LL.$$

Hence (5) is parastrophic equivalent to

$$L_x L_x R_x^{-1} \simeq 1,$$

i.e. $x \cdot xy \simeq yx$ in $(Q, /)$.

The lowest element of the set $[RT^{-1}T^{-1}]$ we can determine by a computer. Similarly we can proceed for arbitrary $ABC \in \mathcal{T}^3$; more generally, for arbitrary $x \in \mathcal{T}^n$, $n > 1$.

By a computer we can get $card(PE5) = 148$, $card(PE6) = 718$, $card(PE7) = 3441$.

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