

Algebraic Structures on Multi Groups I

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Abstract: A simple definition of multi-group was derived it helps us to find some properties of multi-groups. Every homomorphic image of a multi-group is a multi-group. Every pre homomorphic image of a multi-group is also a multi-group. Necessary and sufficient conditions for a multiset to be a multi-group were obtained.

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1. Introduction

In classical set theory we know that each element in a set appears one time in a set, that is no copies or duplicates for any object in the set, but in multi sets (or bags) which are set-like structure, but in which an object can appear more than one time, that is the element may have several copies in the multiset (m set) for example $A = \{1,1,1,1,5,5,5,7,7\}$ it is a multiset, and A can be written as:

$A = \{4/1,3/5,2/7\} = \{1,5,7\}_{4,3,2}$ the multiplicity of 1 in A is 4, multiplicity of 5 in A is 3, the multiplicity of 7 in A is 2 for this we write $C_A(1) = 4$, $C_A(5) = 3$, $C_A(7) = 2$.

In general, we can say that the number of occurrences of an element b in the multiset B which is finite and unique is called the multiplicity of b in B , and is denoted by $C_B(b)$ and when $C_B(b) = n$ we may write $b \in^n B$.

Now let Γ be a set, ν be any positive integer, the family of all multisets over Γ (whose elements taken from Γ) such that the occurrence of each of which not exceeds ν is denoted by $[\Gamma]^\nu$. We use $[\Gamma]^\infty$ if there is no limit of this occurrence.

Definition1.1: "sub multiset":

Assume that A, B are two multisets over the same set Γ then A is said to be sub multiset of B if $C_A(\gamma) \leq C_B(\gamma)$ forevery $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and then we write $A \subseteq B$.

The equality holds when the both relations $A \subseteq B, B \subseteq A$ are satisfied and in this case we can write $A = B$.

Definition1.2: "Union":

Let I be an index set and consider the family of multisets $\{A_i : i \in I\}$ over a set Γ then we define their union $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ such that $C_{\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i}(\gamma) = \max_{i \in I} C_{A_i}(\gamma)$ for every $\gamma \in \Gamma$

Definition1.3: "Intersection"

We can define the intersection for the family $\{A_i : i \in I\}$ by $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$ such that $C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i}(\gamma) = \min_{i \in I} C_{A_i}(\gamma)$ for every $\gamma \in \Gamma$

Definition1.4: Complement

For each A_i in $[\Gamma]^\nu$ we can define its complement in $[\Gamma]^\nu$ by A_i^c such that for every $\gamma \in \Gamma$ we have $C_{A_i^c}(\gamma) = \nu - C_{A_i}(\gamma)$.

Definition1.5:

Assume that Γ and Γ' are two non-empty sets and let $f : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ be a mapping. If A is any multiset in $[\Gamma]^\nu$ then its image by f is defined as $f(A)$ such that $C_{f(A)}(\gamma') = \max_{f(\gamma)=\gamma'} C_A(\gamma)$ whatever $f^{-1}(\gamma') \neq \emptyset$ and $C_{f(A)}(\gamma') = 0$ whatever $f^{-1}(\gamma') = \emptyset$.

Definition1.6:

let $f : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ be a mapping Γ, Γ' are two non-empty sets and let $B \in [\Gamma']^\nu$ then the inverse image of $B, f^{-1}(B)$ is such that $C_{f^{-1}(B)}(\gamma) = C_B(f(\gamma))$.

2. Multisets over a group

Now let us consider Γ to be a group with identity e , and as before the class of all multisets over Γ , such that the multiplicity does not exceeds an integer U is denoted by $[\Gamma]^U$.

Definition 2.1:

Let H, K be any two members of the class $[\Gamma]^U$ let us define HoK to be such that

$$C_{HoK}(\alpha) = \max_{hk=\alpha} \left\{ \min_{h,k \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_H(h), C_K(k) \right\} \right\} \dots\dots\dots (2.1)$$

Definition 2.2:

For every H in $[\Gamma]^U$ we define H^{-1} as follows

$$C_{H^{-1}}(h^{-1}) = C_H(h) \text{ for every } h \in \Gamma.$$

Theorem 2.3:

let H, K be any two multisets in $[\Gamma]^U$ then

$$\begin{aligned} C_{HoK}(u) &= \max_{v \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(uv^{-1}), C_K(v) \right\} \right\} \\ &= \max_{v \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(v), C_K(v^{-1}u) \right\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Proof:

Since from the definition of HoK we have:

$$C_{HoK}(u) = \max_{hv=u} \left\{ \min_{h,k \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_H(h), C_K(v) \right\} \right\}$$

But now Γ is a group which means that for every u, h in Γ , we can assign one and only element v such that $hv = u$, hence we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{HoK}(u) &= \max_{v \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(uv^{-1}), C_K(v) \right\} \right\} \\ &= \max_{v \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(v), C_K(v^{-1}u) \right\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.4:

For every H in $[\Gamma]^U$ we have $(H^{-1})^{-1} = H$.

Proof:

Let h be any element in Γ , from the definition

$$C_{H^{-1}}(h) = C_H(h^{-1}), \text{ then we deduce that:}$$

$$C_{(H^{-1})^{-1}}(h) = C_{H^{-1}}(h^{-1}) = C_H(h), \text{ and hence our}$$

required result follows.

Theorem 2.5:

For every H, K in $[\Gamma]^U$ we have $(HoK)^{-1} = K^{-1}oH^{-1}$.

Proof:

Since for every $u \in \Gamma$, $C_{HoK}(u) = C_{HoK}(u^{-1})$

But,

$$C_{HoK}(u^{-1}) = \max_{hk=u^{-1}} \left\{ \min_{h,k \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_H(h), C_K(k) \right\} \right\}.$$

Now since Γ is a group, and when h, k runs over all elements in Γ , then so does h^{-1}, k^{-1} and recall the fact

$$C_H(h^{-1}) = C_{H^{-1}}(h) \text{ and } C_{K^{-1}}(k) = C_K(k^{-1})$$

therefore we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{HoK}(u^{-1}) &= \max_{(hk)^{-1}=u} \left\{ \min_{h^{-1}, k^{-1} \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_{H^{-1}}(h^{-1}), C_{K^{-1}}(k^{-1}) \right\} \right\} \\ &= \max_{k^{-1}h^{-1}=u} \left\{ \min_{k^{-1}, h^{-1} \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_{K^{-1}}(k^{-1}), C_{H^{-1}}(h^{-1}) \right\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$C_{HoK}(u^{-1}) = C_{H^{-1}oK^{-1}}(u), \text{ but } C_{(HoK)^{-1}}(u) = C_{HoK}(u^{-1})$$

, and hence $(HoK)^{-1} = K^{-1}oH^{-1}$.

Theorem 2.6:

The operation "o" on the multisets of $[\Gamma]^U$ is associative that is $(HoK)oL = Ho(KoL)$

Proof:

Let $HoK = D$, therefore $(HoK)oL = DoL$,

$$C_{(HoK)oL}(u) = C_{DoL}(u) = \max_{v,l \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min_{v,l \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_D(v), C_L(l) \right\} \right\}$$

, but

$$C_D(v) = \max_{hk=v} \left\{ \min_{h,k \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_H(h), C_K(k) \right\} \right\},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{(HoK) \circ L} (u) &= \max_{vl=u} \left\{ \min \left\{ \max \left\{ C_H(h), C_K(k) \right\}, C_L(l) \right\} \right\} \\
 &= \max_{(hk)l=u} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(h), C_K(k), C_L(l) \right\} \right\}, \\
 &\text{since } \Gamma \text{ is a group, then } (hk)l = h(kl) \forall h, k \text{ and } l \in \Gamma, \\
 C_{(HoK) \circ L} (u) &= \max_{\substack{h(w)=u \\ w=kl}} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(h), C_K(k), C_L(l) \right\} \right\} \\
 &= \max_{hw=u} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(h), \max_{kl=w} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_K(k), C_L(l) \right\} \right\} \right\} \right\} \\
 &= \max_{hw=u} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(h), C_{KoL}(v) \right\} \right\} \\
 &= C_{Ho(KoL)} (v).
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Multi Groups and Its Properties

Definition 3.1: A multiset H over a group Γ is a multi-group if for every a, b in Γ , we have:

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\} \dots \dots \dots (3.1)$$

By $MG(\Gamma)$ we mean the set of all multi-groups over Γ .

Theorem 3.2: let H be any multi-group over Γ , then for every $a \in \Gamma$ we have:

- (1) The multiplicity of any element in H not exceeds the multiplicity of the identity element, that is $C_H(a) \leq C_H(e) \forall a \in \Gamma$
- (2) The element and its inverse have the same multiplicity that is $C_H(a^{-1}) = C_H(a)$ for every $a \in \Gamma$.

Proof:

(1) Since $H \in MG(\Gamma)$ then for every $a, b \in \Gamma$ we have:

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\}$$

Put $a = b$ we get:

$$C_H(aa^{-1}) = C_H(e) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(a) \right\} = C_H(a)$$

, for every $a \in \Gamma$.

$$(2) \quad C_H(a^{-1}) = C_H(ea^{-1}) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(e), C_H(a) \right\} = C_H(a)$$

, thus

$$C_H(a^{-1}) \geq C_H(a) \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

also

$$C_H(a) = C_H(ea) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(e), C_H(a^{-1}) \right\} = C_H(a^{-1})$$

$$C_H(a) \geq C_H(a^{-1}) \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

from (ii), (ii) we get $C_H(a^{-1}) = C_H(a)$

Lemma 3.3: for every $H \in MG(\Gamma)$ we have

- (1) $C_H(a^m) \geq C_H(a)$ for every $a \in \Gamma$.
- (2) $H^{-1} = H$.

Proof (1): since a^m can be expressed as $a^{m-1}a$

$$C_H(a^m) = C_H(a^{m-1}a) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a^{m-1}), C_H(a) \right\}$$

And by using theorem A part (2) we can write

$$C_H(a^m) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a^{m-1}), C_H(a) \right\}$$

Applying the same procedure again, and so on

$$C_H(a^m) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a^{m-2}a), C_H(a) \right\}$$

$$C_H(a^m) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a^{m-2}), C_H(a^{-1}), C_H(a) \right\}$$

$$C_H(a^m) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(a), \dots, C_H(a) \right\} = C_H(a)$$

, and hence our required result follows.

(2) From the definition (2.2), we have

$$C_{H^{-1}}(a) = C_H(a^{-1}) \dots \dots \dots (iii)$$

and by using theorem (3.2) part (2) we get $C_H(a^{-1}) = C_H(a)$ and from (iii) our result follows.

Theorem 3.4: let H be any multiset over a group Γ then H is a multi-group over Γ if and only if

- (1) $C_H(ab) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\}$ for every $a, b \in \Gamma$, and
- (2) $C_H(a) = C_H(a^{-1})$ for every $a \in \Gamma$.

Proof: (i) "Necessity": let $H \in MG(\Gamma)$ (i.e. H is a multi-group over the group Γ) then for every $a, b \in \Gamma$ we have:

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\}$$

$$C_H(ab) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b^{-1})\}, \quad \text{and from theorem (3.1) part (2), } C_H(b^{-1}) = C_H(b) \text{ then}$$

$$C_H(ab) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\} \text{ now}$$

$$C_H(a) = C_H(a^{-1}) \text{ follows directly from theorem (3.2) part (2)}$$

(ii) "Sufficiency": let $H \in MS(\Gamma)$ (i.e. H is a multiset over the group Γ) and the two conditions are satisfied that is:

- (1) $C_H(ab) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\}$ for every $a, b \in \Gamma$
- (2) $C_H(a) = C_H(a^{-1})$ for every $a \in \Gamma$

Now

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b^{-1})\} \text{ and since}$$

$$C_H(a) = C_H(a^{-1}) \text{ from (2) then}$$

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\} \text{ then the theorem is proved}$$

Definition 3.5: let H be multi-group over the group Γ , $C_H(e) = \zeta$

- (1) $H_\nu = \{a \in \Gamma : C_H(a) \geq \nu, \nu \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$
- where \mathbb{Z}^+ is the set of all positive integers
- (2) $H_{\zeta(e)} = \{a \in \Gamma : C_H(a) = \zeta = C_H(e)\}$
 - (3) $H_0 = \{a \in \Gamma : C_H(a) \geq 0\}$

Theorem 3.6: let H be multi-group over a group Γ , then each of $H_0, H_{\zeta(e)}$ and $H_\nu, \nu \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ are sub groups of the group Γ

Proof: (1) to show that H_0 is a sub group of Γ , let $a, b \in H_0$ this mean that

$C_H(a) > 0, C_H(b) > 0$ thus from the relation $C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\} > 0$ we deduce that $C_H(ab^{-1}) > 0 \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H_0$ hence H_0 is a sub group of Γ .

(2) To show that $H_{\zeta(e)}$ is a sub group where $\zeta = C_H(e)$, let $a, b \in H_{\zeta(e)}$, then

$$C_H(a) = C_H(e) = C_H(b) = \zeta$$

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) = \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b^{-1})\}$$

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) = \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\}$$

(because $C_H(b^{-1}) = C_H(b)$ by theorem 3.2 (2))

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) = \min\{\zeta, \zeta\} = \zeta = C_H(e) \text{ thus}$$

$ab^{-1} \in H_{\zeta(e)}$ and so $H_{\zeta(e)}$ is a sub group of Γ .

(3) let $a, b \in H_\nu$ then we can write $C_H(a) = n \geq \nu$,

$$C_H(b) = m \geq \nu$$

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b^{-1})\}$$

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\}$$

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min\{n, m\} = k \geq \nu \text{ and so}$$

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \nu \text{ and hence } ab^{-1} \in H_\nu \text{ which implies}$$

that H_ν is a sub group of Γ .

Theorem 3.7: A multiset H over group Γ is a multi-group over Γ , if and only if $HoH = H$ and $H = H^{-1}$.

Proof: (1) "Necessity" assume that H is a multi-group over Γ , take $a, b \in \Gamma$ by theorem B(1) we can write:

$$C_H(ab) \geq \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\} \text{ for every } a, b \in \Gamma.$$

And we get:

$$C_H(h) \geq \min_{\substack{a, b \in \Gamma \\ ab=h}} \{C_H(a), C_H(b)\} \text{ that is}$$

$$C_H(h) \geq \max_{\substack{a, b \in \Gamma \\ ab=h}} \left\{ \min\{C_H(a), C_H(b)\} \right\} \text{ and since}$$

$$C_{HoH}(h) = \max_{\substack{a,b \in \Gamma \\ ab=h}} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\} \right\} \text{ therefore}$$

$$C_H(h) \geq C_{HoH}(h) \text{ which means that}$$

$$HoH \subset H \rightarrow (*)$$

Now by using theorem 2.3

$$C_H(h) = C_H(ha^{-1}a)$$

$$C_H(h) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(ha^{-1}), C_H(a) \right\}$$

$$C_H(h) \geq \max_{a \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(ha^{-1}), C_H(a) \right\} \right\} = C_{HoH}(h)$$

$$C_H(h) \geq C_{HoH}(h)$$

$$H \supset HoH \rightarrow (**)$$

From (*) and (**) we get $HoH = H$

Now since

$$C_{H^{-1}}(h) = C_H(h^{-1}) \forall h \in \Gamma \text{ and since } H \text{ is a multi-}$$

group over a group Γ , then by theorem 3.2 part (2)

$$C_H(h^{-1}) = C_H(h) \forall h \in \Gamma. \text{ Thus}$$

$$C_{H^{-1}}(h) = C_H(h^{-1}) = C_H(h) \text{ which implies that}$$

$$H = H^{-1} \text{ as required.}$$

(2) **Sufficiency:** assume that $HoH = H$ and $H = H^{-1}$ where H is a multiset over Γ (i.e. $H \in MS(\Gamma)$), by theorem 2.3

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) = C_{HoH}(ab^{-1}) = \max_{h \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(h), C_H(h^{-1}ab^{-1}) \right\} \right\}$$

put $h = a$ and so

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) = C_{HoH}(ab^{-1}) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b^{-1}) \right\} = \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\}$$

$$[\text{Since } H = H^{-1}, C_H(b) = C_{H^{-1}}(b) = C_H(b^{-1})],$$

thus

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\}$$

$$\therefore H \in MG(\Gamma).$$

Theorem 3.8: let H be a multiset over the group Γ , then H is a multi-group over Γ if and only if $HoH^{-1} = H$.

Proof: “necessity”: let $H \in MG(\Gamma)$ then by theorem 3.7 we have $HoH = H$ and $H^{-1} = H$ so we can write $HoH^{-1} = H$.

“sufficiency”: let $HoH^{-1} = H$ this means that $C_{HoH^{-1}}(a) = C_H(a)$ for every $a \in \Gamma$ therefore we can write using

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) = C_{HoH^{-1}}(ab^{-1}) = \max_{h \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(ab^{-1}h), C_{H^{-1}}(h^{-1}) \right\} \right\}$$

and hence

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(ab^{-1}h), C_{H^{-1}}(h^{-1}) \right\}$$

[Since from: $C_{H^{-1}}(a) = C_H(a^{-1})$ i.e. definition (2.2),

then

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min_{h \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_H(ab^{-1}h), C_H(h) \right\}, \text{ for}$$

$h = b$ we get

$$C_H(ab^{-1}) \geq \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\}$$

And so $H \in MG(\Gamma)$ and hence the theorem is proved.

Theorem 3.9: let H, K be two multi-groups over the same group Γ then $HoK = KoH$ if and only if HoK is a multi-group over Γ .

Proof “Necessity”:

Let $HoK = KoH$

Also assume that $KoH = D$

$$D^{-1} = (HoK) \text{ (by theorem 2.5, that is}$$

$$(HoK)^{-1} = K^{-1}oH^{-1}$$

$$D^{-1} = K^{-1}oH^{-1}$$

Since $H, K \in MG(\Gamma)$ then by lemma 3.3 (2), we

$$\text{have } H^{-1} = H, K^{-1} = K$$

$$D^{-1} = K^{-1}oH^{-1} = KoH = D \text{ and so}$$

$$D = D^{-1}$$

$$\dots\dots\dots$$

$$DoD^{-1} = DoD = (HoK)o(HoK)$$

$$DoD^{-1} = Ho(KoH)oK = Ho(HoK)oK = (HoH)o(KoK)$$

$$DoD^{-1} = (HoH)o(KoK)$$

But since $H, K \in MG(\Gamma)$

$$HoH = H, KoK = K \text{ (by theorem 3.7), thus}$$

$$DoD^{-1} = HoK = D$$

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$$D^{-1} = D$$

thus by theorem 3.7 again we get $D \in MG(\Gamma)$ i.e.

$$HoK \in MG(\Gamma).$$

(2)“Sufficiency”: let $HoK \in MG(\Gamma)$ where

$H, K \in MG(\Gamma)$ which implies that

$$H^{-1} = H \text{ and also } K^{-1} = K$$

$$\text{Put } HoK = D \in MG(\Gamma)$$

$D^{-1} = D$ implies that

$$HoK = (HoK)^{-1} = K^{-1}oH^{-1} = KoH$$

i.e. $HoK = KoH$ and hence the theorem is proved.

Theorem 3.10: the arbitrary intersection of any family of multi-groups over Γ is again a multi-group over Γ .

Proof: let $\{H_i : i \in I\}$ be a family over Γ where

$H_i \in MG(\Gamma)$ for every $i \in I$ and so we have:

$$C_{H_i}(ab^{-1}) = \min\{C_{H_i}(a), C_{H_i}(b)\}, \forall a, b \in \Gamma$$

$$C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(ab^{-1}) = \min_{i \in I} \{C_{H_i}(ab^{-1})\}$$

$$C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(ab^{-1}) \geq \min_{i \in I} \left\{ \min_{i \in I} \{C_{H_i}(a), C_{H_i}(b)\} \right\}$$

$$C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(ab^{-1}) = \min_{i \in I} \left\{ \min_{i \in I} C_{H_i}(a), \min_{i \in I} C_{H_i}(b) \right\}$$

$$C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(ab^{-1}) = \min_{i \in I} \left\{ C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(a), C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(b) \right\}$$

Therefore:

$$C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(ab^{-1}) \geq \min_{i \in I} \left\{ C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(a), C_{\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i}(b) \right\}$$

Thus

$$\bigcap_{i \in I} H_i \in MG(\Gamma)$$

Remark 3.11: it must be noted that the previous theorem need not be satisfied in the case of union whatever finite or infinite families of multi-groups.

Definition 3.12 “Sub multi-group”:

Let $H, K \in MG(\Gamma)$ such that $K \subseteq H$ then we say that K is a sub multi-group of H .

Definition 3.13 “Abelian multiset over Γ ”:

Let $H \in MS(\Gamma)$ we say that H is abelian multiset over Γ if $C_H(ab) = C_H(ba)$ fore very $a, b \in \Gamma$ and we write $H \in AMS(\Gamma)$.

Definition 3.14 “Abelian multi-group over Γ ”:

Let $H \in MS(\Gamma)$ then H is said to be abelian over

Γ if $H \in AMS(\Gamma)$ that if $C_H(ab) = C_H(ba)$

fore very $a, b \in \Gamma$.

Theorem 3.15: the following statements are equivalent:

(1) $H \in AMS(\Gamma)$

(2) $C_H(a^{-1}ba) = C_H(aba^{-1}) = C_H(b)$

(3) $HoK = KoH$ holds true for every $K \in MS(\Gamma)$

Proof: the proof is carried as follows

(1) \Rightarrow (2), (2) \Rightarrow (1), (1) \Rightarrow (3), (3) \Rightarrow (1)

Now (1) \Rightarrow (2) let $H \in AMS(\Gamma)$ then

$\forall a, b \in \Gamma$ we have

$$C_H(ab) = C_H(ba)$$

Let $ba = t$

$$C_H(a^{-1}ba) = C_H(a^{-1}t) = C_H(ta^{-1})$$

$$C_H(baa^{-1}) = C_H(b)$$

That is

$$C_H(a^{-1}ba) = C_H(b)$$

..... (1)

Also let $ab = r$

$$C_H(aba^{-1}) = C_H(ra^{-1}) = C_H(a^{-1}r)$$

$$C_H(a^{-1}ab) = C_H(b)$$

$$C_H(aba^{-1}) = C_H(b)$$

..... (2)

From (1), (2) we get

$$C_H(aba^{-1}) = C_H(a^{-1}ba) = C_H(b)$$

Now (2) \Rightarrow (1): let

$$C_H(aba^{-1}) = C_H(a^{-1}ba) = C_H(b)$$

Let $ba = t$ then $b = ta^{-1}$ and then $ab = ata^{-1}$

$$C_H(ab) = C_H(ata^{-1}) = C_H(t) = C_H(ba)$$

And hence $H \in AMS(\Gamma)$

Now (1) \Rightarrow (3): let $H \in AMS(\Gamma)$ and $K \in MS(\Gamma)$, then let us take any arbitrary element a in Γ

$$C_{HoK}(a) = \max_{b \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(ab^{-1}), C_K(b) \right\} \right\}$$

Since $C_H(rt) = C_H(tr) \forall r, t \in \Gamma$

$$C_{HoK}(a) = \max_{b \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(b^{-1}a), C_K(b) \right\} \right\}$$

$$C_{HoK}(a) = \max_{b \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_K(b), C_H(b^{-1}a) \right\} \right\}$$

$$C_{HoK}(a) = C_{KoH}(a)$$

Therefore $HoK = KoH$

And so (1) \Rightarrow (3) follows.

Now (3) \Rightarrow (1) let $H \in MS(\Gamma)$ such that $HoK = KoH$ holds true for every K in $MS(\Gamma)$.

For any arbitrary two elements a, b in Γ let us define an integers $\nu, \nu \geq 0$ where

$$\nu = \min \left\{ C_H(ab), C_H(ba) \right\} \text{ and then we can}$$

construct a singleton multiset $Q = \{\nu / b^{-1}\}$ which

contains the element b^{-1} represented ν times, it is clear that $Q \in MS(\Gamma)$, then from our assumption,

$HoK = KoH \forall K \in MS$, and hence

$HoQ = QoH$ that is $C_{HoQ}(a) = C_{QoH}(a) \forall a \in \Gamma$

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = \max_{hq=a} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(h), C_Q(q) \right\} \right\}, \text{ using}$$

theorem 2.3

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = \max_{b \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(ab), C_Q(b^{-1}) \right\} \right\}$$

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = \max_{b \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(ab), \nu \right\} \right\} = C_H(ab)$$

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = C_H(ab)$$

..... (3)

Now

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = \max_{qh=a} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_Q(q), C_H(h) \right\} \right\}$$

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = \max_{b \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_Q(b^{-1}), C_H(ba) \right\} \right\}$$

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = \max_{b \in \Gamma} \left\{ \min \left\{ \nu, C_H(ba) \right\} \right\} = C_H(ba)$$

$$C_{HoQ}(a) = C_H(ba)$$

..... (4)

From (3) and (4), since $HoQ = QoH$ it follows

that $C_H(ab) = C_H(ba)$, i.e. $H \in AMS(\Gamma)$ which

completes the proof the theorem.

Theorem 3.16:

Let $f : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ be a homomorphism from Γ into Γ' then the following statements are satisfied:

- (1) every homomorphic image of a multi-group over Γ is a multi-group over Γ' .
- (2) every pre homomorphic image of a multi-group over Γ' is a multi-group over Γ .
- (3) every homomorphic image of an abelian multi-group over Γ is an abelian multi-group over Γ' .
- (4) every pre homomorphic image of an abelian multi-group over Γ' is an abelian multi-group over Γ .

Proof (1): let $f : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ be a homomorphism from Γ into Γ' and let $H \in MG(\Gamma)$.

Let us take any two arbitrary elements α, β consider the following three cases:

(a) α, β (both of them) in $\text{Rang}(f)$, (i.e. $\alpha, \beta \in f(\Gamma)$).

(b) α, β not in $\text{Rang}(f)$, (i.e. $\alpha, \beta \notin f(\Gamma)$).

(c) one of them in the $\text{Rang}(f)$. Now consider first case

(a), (i.e. $\alpha, \beta \in f(\Gamma)$), then we can find $a, b \in \Gamma$ such that $f(a) = \alpha, f(b) = \beta$ and so we have:

$$C_{f(H)}(\alpha\beta^{-1}) = \max_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \left\{ C_H(\gamma), f(\gamma) = \alpha\beta^{-1} \right\}$$

Now since $f : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ is a homomorphism

$$f(ab^{-1}) = f(a)f(b^{-1}) = f(a).f(b)^{-1} = \alpha\beta^{-1}$$

and since $f(\gamma) = \alpha\beta^{-1}$

then we can write

$$C_{f(H)}(\alpha\beta^{-1}) = \max \left\{ C_H(ab^{-1}), f(ab^{-1}) = \alpha\beta^{-1} \right\}$$

, since $H \in MG(\Gamma)$

$$C_{f(H)}(\alpha\beta^{-1}) \geq \max_{\substack{f(a)=\alpha \\ f(b)=\beta}} \left\{ \min \left\{ C_H(a), C_H(b) \right\} \right\}$$

$$= \min \left\{ \max_{f(a)=\alpha} \left\{ C_H(a) \right\}, \max_{f(b)=\beta} \left\{ C_H(b) \right\} \right\}$$

$$= \min \left\{ C_{f(H)}(\alpha), C_{f(H)}(\beta) \right\} \text{ thus}$$

$$\geq \min \left\{ C_{f(H)}(\alpha), C_{f(H)}(\beta) \right\}$$

Which means that $f(H) \in MG(\Gamma')$

For the last two cases (b), (c) are trivial.

Proof (2): let $K \in MG(\Gamma')$ and we will show that $f^{-1}(K) \in MG(\Gamma)$, to do this, let

$a, b \in f^{-1}(K)$ (i.e. $a, b \in \text{Range } f^{-1}(K)$), then there exist $\alpha, \beta \in K$. Such that:

$$f^{-1}(\alpha) = a \text{ and } f^{-1}(\beta) = b \text{ and hence}$$

$$\alpha = f(a) \text{ and } \beta = f(b)$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(a) = C_K(f(a)) = C_K(\alpha) \text{ also}$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(b) = C_K(f(b)) = C_K(\beta)$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab^{-1}) = C_K(f(ab^{-1}))$$

Since f is a homomorphism, then:

$$f(pq) = f(p)f(q), f(p^{-1}) = f(p)^{-1}$$

$$\forall p, q \in \Gamma$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab^{-1}) = C_K(f(a)f(b^{-1})) = C_K(f(a)(f(b))^{-1})$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab^{-1}) = C_K(\alpha\beta^{-1})$$

Since $K \in \text{MG}(\Gamma')$

$$C_K(\alpha\beta^{-1}) \geq \min\{C_K(\alpha), C_K(\beta)\}$$

$$= \min\{C_K(f(a)), C_K(f(b))\}$$

$$= \min\left\{C_{f^{-1}(K)}(a), C_{f^{-1}(K)}(b)\right\}$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab^{-1}) = C_K(\alpha\beta^{-1}) \geq \min\left\{C_{f^{-1}(K)}(a), C_{f^{-1}(K)}(b)\right\}$$

Thus $f^{-1}(K) \in \text{MG}(\Gamma)$

Also when $a, b \notin \text{Range } f^{-1}(K)$, and when $a \in \text{Range } f^{-1}(K)$ but $b \notin \text{Range } f^{-1}(K)$ are trivial cases.

Proof (3): let A be abelian multi-group over Γ (i.e. $A \in \text{AMG}(\Gamma)$) and let $f: \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ be a group homomorphism from the group Γ onto the group Γ' .

Now by part (1), $f(A) \in \text{MG}(\Gamma')$ and so it remains to show that $f(A) \in \text{AMG}(\Gamma')$ assume that $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma'$ and from our assumption that f is onto, we can find at least $a \in \Gamma$ for which $f(a) = \alpha$,

since for every $t \in \Gamma'$ we have:

$$C_{f(A)}(t) = \max_{\substack{f(\tau)=t \\ \tau \in \Gamma}} \{C_A(\tau)\}$$

put $t = \alpha\beta\alpha^{-1} \in \Gamma'$

$$C_{f(A)}(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}) = \max_{f(\tau)=\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}} \{C_A(\tau)\}$$

Since A is abelian multi-group over Γ and by theorem 3.15,

$$C_A(a^{-1}\tau a) = C_A(\tau)$$

And since f is a homomorphism

$$f(\tau) = f(a^{-1}\tau a) = f(a^{-1})f(\tau)f(a)$$

$$f(\tau) = \alpha^{-1}(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1})\alpha$$

$$f(\tau) = \beta$$

Thus we can write:

$$C_{f(A)}(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}) = \max_{\substack{\tau \in \Gamma \\ f(a^{-1}\tau a) = \beta}} \{C_A(a^{-1}\tau a)\}$$

$$C_{f(A)}(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}) = \max_{\substack{\sigma \in \Gamma \\ f(\sigma) = \beta}} \{C_A(\sigma)\}$$

$$C_{f(A)}(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}) = C_{f(A)}(\beta)$$

That is:

$$C_{f(A)}(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}) = C_{f(A)}(\beta)$$

and by using (theorem 3.15), we get $f(A)$ is abelian multi-group over Γ (i.e. $f(A) \in \text{AMG}(\Gamma')$)

Proof (4): to prove this statement, assume that $K \in \text{AMG}(\Gamma')$ where $f: \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma'$ be a homomorphism from Γ into the Γ' .

To show that $f^{-1}(K)$ is again abelian multi-group over Γ , let us take any two arbitrary elements a, b in Γ thus

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab) = C_K(f(ab))$$

Since f is a homomorphism

$$f(ab) = f(a)f(b)$$

Then $C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab) = C_K(f(a)f(b))$

Since K is abelian multi-group over Γ'

$$C_K(f(a)f(b)) = C_K(f(b)f(a)), \text{ Then}$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab) = C_K(f(b)f(a))$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab) = C_K(f(ba))$$

$$C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ab) = C_{f^{-1}(K)}(ba)$$

Which means that $f^{-1}(K)$ is an abelian multi-group over Γ which completes the proof of the theorem.

4. Conclusion

In this note we drive the definition of a multi-group, and its properties the necessary and sufficient conditions for a multiset to be a multi-group. The concept of abelian multisets over a given group, and abelian multi-groups over a given group, were discussed, and homomorphic image of multisets and multi-group, also between abelian multisets and abelian multi-groups were discussed. The same thing for pre-homomorphic image was also discussed.

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