# On $B^{*}$-Quasigroups 

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#### Abstract

The author has discussed $B^{*}$-loops in [1]. In this paper we investigate $B^{*}$-quasigroups which is a quasigroup $(G, \cdot)$ satisfying the identity $(x y \cdot z) y^{\alpha}=x\left(y z \cdot y^{\alpha}\right)$ for all $x, y, z \in G$ and some endomorphism $\alpha$ of $(G, \cdot)$. Connection between $B^{*}$-quasigroups and $B^{*}$-loops is examined.


## 1. Introduction

A binary system ( $G, \cdot$ ) is said to be a quasigroup if for each ordered pair $a, b \in G$, there is one and only one $x$ in $G$ such that $a x=b$ in $G$ and one and only one $y$ such that $y a=b$ in $G$. We recall that a loop is a quasigroup which has a two sided identity element. We shall say that a quasigroup ( $G, \cdot$ ) is a $B^{*}$-quasigroup if and only if

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(x y \cdot z) y^{\alpha}=x\left(y z \cdot y^{\alpha}\right)
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for all $x, y, z$ in $G$ and some endomorphism $\alpha$ of ( $G, \cdot)$. For any three elements $a, b, c$ of a binary system for which the binary operation is juxtaposition $a b \cdot c$ will mean the element $(a b) c$. A $B^{*}$-loop is a loop which is also a $B^{*}$-quasigroup. $B^{*}$-loops have been discussed in [1]. It would seem natural to investigate $B^{*}$-quasigroups. It is known [2] that an isotope of a quasigroup is a quasi-group and any quasigroup is an isotope of some loop. Our main results (Theorems 3 and 4) establish connection between $B^{*}$-quasigroups and $B^{*}$-loops.

## 2. Preliminary Lemmas

Lemma 1. If $(G, \cdot)$ is a $B^{*}$-quasigroup, then $(G, \cdot)$ has a unique left identity element.

Proof. Let $x$ be a fixed element in $G$. Since ( $G, \cdot$ ) is quasigroup there exists an element $e \in G$ such that $e x=x$. Now $x^{\alpha} \in G$ and for each $a \in G$ there exist elements $y, z \in G \quad$ such that $y x^{\alpha}=a \quad$ and $\quad x z=y$. Then $e a=e\left(y x^{\alpha}\right)=e\left(x z \cdot x^{\alpha}\right)$ $=(e x \cdot z) x^{\alpha}=(x z) x^{\alpha}=y x^{\alpha}=a$. So, $e$ is a left identity of $(G, \cdot)$. The fact that $e$ is unique is the consequence of $(G, \cdot)$ being a quasigroup.

From now onward, $e$ will denote the unique left identity for a $B^{*}$-quasigroup ( $G, \cdot$ ) and for each $x$ in $G x^{v}$ and $x^{\mu}$ shall designate those unique elements in $G$ such that $x^{\nu} x=x x^{\mu}=e$. Moreover, the mapping $R(x)$ defined by $y R(x)=y x$ for every $y$ in $G$, is a permutation on $G$ if $G$ is a quasigroup (Bruck [2], p. 54).

Lemma 2. If ( $G, \cdot$ ) is a $B^{*}$-quasigroup, then
(i) $x^{\mu}=x^{v}$ for all $x \in G$,
(ii) ( $G, \cdot)$ satisfies the right inverse property.

## Proof

(i) For $x$ in $G$, we have $x\left(x^{\mu} x \cdot\left(x^{\mu}\right)^{\alpha}\right)=\left(x x^{\mu} \cdot x\right)\left(x^{\mu}\right)^{\alpha}=e x \cdot\left(x^{\mu}\right)^{\alpha}=x\left(x^{\mu}\right)^{\alpha}$. This gives $x^{\mu} X_{X} \cdot\left(x^{\mu}\right)^{\alpha}=\left(x^{\mu}\right)^{\alpha}$ and we have $x^{\mu} X=e=x^{v} x$. Hence, $x^{\mu}=x^{v}$ for all $x$ in $G$.
(ii) For $x, y \in G$, we have $\left(x y \cdot y^{\mu}\right) y^{\alpha}=x\left(y y^{\mu} \cdot y^{\alpha}\right)=x \cdot e y^{\alpha}=x y^{\alpha}$. This gives (xy) $y^{\mu}=x$, for all $x, y \in G$ which proves (ii).

## Remarks

(i) In view of Lemma 2, let $x^{-1}=x^{\mu}=x^{v}$ for any element $x$ of a $B^{*}$-quasigroup ( $G, \cdot$ ).
(ii) $e \cdot e=e$ gives $e^{-1}=e$ and Lemma 2 (ii) gives $(x e) e^{-1}=x$ and hence $(x e) e=x$. Thus we have $R(e)^{2}=I_{G}$ the identity mapping on $G$.

## 3. Main Results

Theorem 3. If ( $G, \cdot$ ) is a $B^{*}$-quasigroup with respect to an endomorphism $\alpha$, then $(G, \circ)$ is a $B^{*}$-loop where $x \circ y=x e \cdot y$ for all $x, y$ in $G$.

Proof. As mentioned above ( $G, \circ$ ) being an isotope of a quasigroup ( $G, \cdot$ ) is a quasigroup. Now for every $x$ in $G, x \circ e=(x e) e=x$ and $e \circ x=e e \cdot x=x$. Hence, $(G, \circ)$ is a loop. For all $x, y$ in $G(x \circ y)^{\alpha}=(x e \cdot y)^{\alpha}=(x e)^{\alpha} \cdot y^{\alpha}=x^{\alpha} e \cdot y^{\alpha}=x^{\alpha} \circ y^{\alpha}$ showing that $\alpha$ is an endomorphism of the loop ( $G, \circ$ ). Moreover, for all $x, y, z$ in $G$ we have

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\begin{aligned}
& (x e) \circ\left((y \circ z) \circ y^{\alpha}\right)=(x e) e \cdot\left((y e \cdot z) e \cdot y^{\alpha}\right)=x\left((y e \cdot z) e^{\alpha} \cdot y^{\alpha}\right) \\
& \quad=x\left(y(e z \cdot e) \cdot y^{\alpha}\right)=((x y)(z e)) y^{\alpha},
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (((x e) \circ y) \circ z) \circ y^{\alpha}=(((x e) e \cdot y) e \cdot z) e \cdot y^{\alpha}=\left(((x y \cdot e) z) e^{\alpha}\right) y^{\alpha} \\
& \quad=\left((x y)\left(e z \cdot e^{\alpha}\right)\right) y^{\alpha}=((x y)(z e)) y^{\alpha} .
\end{aligned}
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Hence, we have

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(((x e) \circ y) \circ z) \circ y^{\alpha}=(x e) \circ\left((y \circ z) \circ y^{\alpha}\right)
$$

Showing that $(G, \circ)$ is a $B^{*}$-loop with respect to the endomorphism $\alpha$ of it.
Theorem 4. Suppose $(G, \circ)$ is a $B^{*}$-quasigroup with respect to an endomorphism $\alpha$. Suppose $\delta$ is an automorphism of $(G, \circ)$ such that $\delta^{2}=I_{G}$ and $\alpha \delta=\delta \alpha$. If we define $x \cdot y=x \delta \circ y$ for all $x, y$ in $G$ then $(G, \cdot)$ is a quasigroup such that the same map $\alpha$ from $G$ to $G$ is an endomorphism of this quasigroup ( $G, \cdot$ ) also making it a $B^{*}$-quasigroup.

Proof. Clearly ( $G, \cdot$ ) is a quasigroup. For all $x, y$ in $G,(x \cdot y)^{\alpha}=(x \delta \circ y)^{\alpha}$ $=(x \delta)^{\alpha} \circ y^{\alpha}=x^{\alpha} \delta \circ y^{\alpha}=\left(x^{\alpha} \cdot y^{\alpha}\right)$ showing that $\alpha$ is an endomorphism of the quasigroup ( $G, \cdot \cdot$ ). Moreover, for all $x, y, z$ in $G$ we have

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\begin{aligned}
(x y \cdot z) y^{\alpha} & =((x \delta \circ y) \delta \circ z) \delta \circ y^{\alpha}=\left((x \delta \circ y) \delta^{2} \circ z \delta\right) \circ y^{\alpha} \\
& =((x \delta \circ y) \circ z \delta) \circ y^{\alpha}=x \delta \circ\left((y \circ z \delta) \circ y^{\alpha}\right) \\
& =x \delta \circ\left(\left(y \delta^{2} \circ z \delta\right) \circ y^{\alpha}\right)=x \delta \circ\left((y \delta \circ z) \delta \circ y^{\alpha}\right) \\
& =x\left(y z \cdot y^{\alpha}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

showing that ( $G, \cdot$ ) is a $B^{*}$-quasigroup with respect to the endomorphism $\alpha$ of it.
In the next theorem we show that all $B^{*}$-quasigroups can be obtained from $B^{*}$-loops in the manner described in Theorem 4.

Theorem 5. If ( $G, \cdot)$ is a $B^{*}$-quasigroup with respect to an endomorphism $\alpha$, then there is a loop ( $G, \circ$ ) for which $\alpha$ is an endomorphism making it a $B^{*}$-loop and an automorphism $\delta$ of $(G, \circ)$ with property that $\delta^{2}=I_{G}, \alpha \delta=\delta \alpha$ and $x \cdot y=x \delta \circ y$ for all $x, y$ in $G$.

Proof. If $e$ is the left identity of the $B^{*}$-quasigroup ( $G, \cdot$ ) then, from Theorem 3 and its proof, $(G, \circ)$, where $x \circ y=x e \cdot y$ for all $x, y$ in $G$, is a loop having $e$ as two sided identity and $\alpha$ an endomorphism making it a $B^{*}$-loop. Take $\delta$ to be $R(e)$. Then by above remark (ii), $\delta^{2}=R(e)^{2}=I_{G}$. Now $R(e)$ is a permutation of $G$. Moreover, for all $x, y$ in $G,(x \circ y) \delta=(x e \cdot y) e=(x e \cdot y) e^{\alpha}=x\left(e y \cdot e^{\alpha}\right)=x(y e)=(x e \cdot e)(y e)$ $=(x \delta \cdot e) y \delta=x \delta \circ y \delta$ showing that $\delta$ is an automorphism of $(G, \circ)$ and $\delta^{2}=I_{G}$.

Also we observe that $x \delta \circ y=(x e \cdot e) y=x \cdot y$ for all $x, y$ in $G$. Moreover, for every $x$ in $G,(x \delta)^{\alpha}=(x e)^{\alpha}=x^{\alpha} \cdot e^{\alpha}=x^{\alpha} \cdot e=\left(x^{\alpha}\right) \delta$ showing that $\delta \alpha=\alpha \delta$.

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