

# A CHARACTERIZATION THEOREM FOR COMPLETE MULTIALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we will give a characterization for the complete multialgebras, which involves universal algebras and their congruences.

The starting point of this paper is in [8] where a class of multialgebras has been introduced. In [8] is proved that the fundamental algebra of a multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  verifies the identities which are satisfied (even in a weak manner) on  $\mathfrak{A}$ . The class of multialgebras we study in this paper appeared while trying to obtain multialgebras which satisfy (at least in a weak manner) the identities verified on their fundamental algebras (see again [8]). Since in the particular case of the (semi)hypergroups these multialgebras are the complete (semi)hypergroups from [3] and [4], these multialgebras were called complete. We will prove that such a multialgebra can be obtained from a universal algebra and an appropriate congruence on it.

Let  $\tau = (n_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)}$  be a sequence with  $n_\gamma \in \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, \dots\}$ , where  $o(\tau)$  is an ordinal and for any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$ , let  $\mathbf{f}_\gamma$  be a symbol of an  $n_\gamma$ -ary (multi)operation and let us consider the algebra of the  $n$ -ary terms (of type  $\tau$ )  $\mathfrak{P}^{(n)}(\tau) = (\mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau), (f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$ .

Let  $A$  be a set and  $P^*(A)$  the set of the nonempty subsets of  $A$ . Let  $\mathfrak{A} = (A, (f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  be a multialgebra, where, for any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$ ,  $f_\gamma : A^{n_\gamma} \rightarrow P^*(A)$  is the multioperation of arity  $n_\gamma$  that corresponds to the symbol  $\mathbf{f}_\gamma$ . One can admit that the support set  $A$  of the multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is empty if there are no nullary multioperations among the multioperations  $f_\gamma$ ,  $\gamma < o(\tau)$ . Of course, any universal algebra is a multialgebra (we can identify an one element set with its element).

Let us define for any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and for any  $A_0, \dots, A_{n_\gamma-1} \in P^*(A)$

$$f_\gamma(A_0, \dots, A_{n_\gamma-1}) = \bigcup \{f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \mid a_i \in A_i, i \in \{0, \dots, n_\gamma - 1\}\}.$$

We obtain a universal algebra on  $P^*(A)$  (see [9]). We denote this algebra by  $\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A})$ . As in [5], we can construct, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the algebra

$$\mathfrak{P}^{(n)}(\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A})) = (P^{(n)}(\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A})), (f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$$

of the  $n$ -ary term functions on  $\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A})$ . Some connections between the multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  and the term functions from  $P^{(n)}(\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A}))$  are presented in [1].

*Remark 1.* [5, Corollary 8.2] For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p \in P^{(n)}(\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A}))$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \geq n$  there exists  $q \in P^{(m)}(\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A}))$  such that

$$p(A_0, \dots, A_{n-1}) = q(A_0, \dots, A_{m-1})$$

for any  $A_0, \dots, A_{m-1} \in P^*(A)$ .

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Let  $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau)$ . The  $n$ -ary (strong) identity  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{r}$  is said to be satisfied on a multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  if  $q(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) = r(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1})$  for all  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in A$ , where  $q$  and  $r$  are the term functions induced by  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $\mathbf{r}$  respectively on  $\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A})$ . We can also consider that a weak identity  $\mathbf{q} \cap \mathbf{r} \neq \emptyset$  is said to be satisfied on a multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  if  $q(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \cap r(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in A$  ( $q$  and  $r$  have the same signification as before).

*Remark 2.* [8, Remark 2] A semihypergroup is a hypergroupoid  $(H, \circ)$  for which the multioperation is associative. A semihypergroup  $(H, \circ)$  (with  $H \neq \emptyset$ ) is a hypergroup if and only if there exist two binary multioperations  $/, \backslash$  on  $H$  such that on the multialgebra  $(H, \circ, /, \backslash)$  are satisfied the following weak identities:

$$\mathbf{x}_1 \cap \mathbf{x}_0 \circ (\mathbf{x}_0 \backslash \mathbf{x}_1) \neq \emptyset, \quad \mathbf{x}_1 \cap (\mathbf{x}_1 / \mathbf{x}_0) \circ \mathbf{x}_0 \neq \emptyset.$$

A mapping  $h : A \rightarrow B$  between the multialgebras  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  of the same type  $\tau$  is called homomorphism if for any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and for all  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A$  we have

$$(1) \quad h(f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1})) \subseteq f_\gamma(h(a_0), \dots, h(a_{n_\gamma-1})).$$

A bijective mapping  $h$  is a multialgebra isomorphism if both  $h$  and  $h^{-1}$  are multialgebra homomorphisms. The multialgebra isomorphisms can also be characterized as being those bijective homomorphisms for which (1) holds with equality.

**Proposition 1.** [7, Proposition 1] *For a homomorphism  $h : A \rightarrow B$ , if  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau)$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in A$  then  $h(p(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1})) \subseteq p(h(a_0), \dots, h(a_{n-1}))$ .*

The *fundamental relation* of a multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is the transitive closure  $\alpha^*$  of the relation  $\alpha$  given on  $A$  as follows: for  $x, y \in A$ ,  $x\alpha y$  if and only if  $x, y \in p(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1})$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p \in P^{(n)}(\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A}))$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in A$  (see [6] and [8]). The relation  $\alpha^*$  is the smallest equivalence relation on  $A$  such that the factor multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}/\alpha^*$  is a universal algebra. We denoted the class  $\alpha^*(a)$  of  $a \in A$  modulo  $\alpha^*$  by  $\bar{a}$  and  $A/\alpha^*$  by  $\bar{A}$ . We also denoted the algebra  $\mathfrak{A}/\alpha^*$  by  $\bar{\mathfrak{A}}$  and we called it the *fundamental algebra* of the multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proposition 2.** [8, Proposition 3] *The following conditions are equivalent for a multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A} = (A, (f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  of type  $\tau$ :*

(i) *for all  $\gamma < o(\tau)$ , for all  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A$ ,*

$$a \in f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \Rightarrow \bar{a} = f_\gamma(\bar{a}_0, \dots, \bar{a}_{n_\gamma-1}).$$

(ii) *for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , for all  $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r} \in P^{(m)}(\tau) \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_i \mid i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$ , for all  $a_0, \dots, a_{m-1}, b_0, \dots, b_{m-1} \in A$ ,*

$$q(a_0, \dots, a_{m-1}) \cap r(b_0, \dots, b_{m-1}) \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow q(a_0, \dots, a_{m-1}) = r(b_0, \dots, b_{m-1}).$$

*Remark 3.* From Remark 1 it follows that in condition (ii) is not necessary to consider that the arities of  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $\mathbf{r}$  are equal.

The multialgebras which verify one of the equivalent conditions from the previous proposition are generalizations for the complete (semi)hypergroups (see [3, Definition 137]). This fact suggested the following:

**Definition 1.** A multialgebra which satisfies one of the equivalent conditions from the previous proposition will be called *complete multialgebra*.

**Proposition 3.** [8, Proposition 4] *Let  $\mathfrak{A} = (A, (f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  be a multialgebra of type  $\tau$ . The multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is complete if and only if there exist a universal algebra  $\mathfrak{B} = (B, (f'_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  and a partition  $\{A_b \mid b \in B\}$  of  $A$  such that  $A_{b_1} \cap A_{b_2} = \emptyset$  for any  $b_1 \neq b_2$  from  $B$  and for any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A$  with  $a_i \in A_{b_i}$  ( $i \in \{0, \dots, n_\gamma - 1\}$ ), we have*

$$(2) \quad f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = A_{f'_\gamma(b_0, \dots, b_{n_\gamma-1})}.$$

*Remark 4.* For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau) \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_i \mid i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}\}$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in A$ , if  $b_0, \dots, b_{n-1} \in B$  such that  $a_i \in A_{b_i}$  for each  $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ , then

$$(3) \quad p(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) = A_{p'(b_0, \dots, b_{n-1})}$$

( $p$  and  $p'$  denote the term functions induced by  $\mathbf{p}$  on  $\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A})$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$ , respectively).

*Remark 5.* The fundamental relation of the multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  from Proposition 3 is the relation  $\alpha_{\mathfrak{A}}^* = \alpha_{\mathfrak{A}}$  defined by  $x\alpha_{\mathfrak{A}}y$  if and only if

$$x = y \in A \setminus \left( \bigcup \{A_{f'_\gamma(b_0, \dots, b_{n_\gamma-1})} \mid \gamma < o(\tau), b_0, \dots, b_{n_\gamma-1} \in B\} \right)$$

or  $x, y \in A_{f'_\gamma(b_0, \dots, b_{n_\gamma-1})}$  for some  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and  $b_0, \dots, b_{n_\gamma-1} \in B$ .

The main result of this paper is the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.** *A multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A} = (A, (f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  is complete if and only if there exists a structure of universal algebra  $\mathfrak{A}'' = (A, (f''_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  on  $A$  and a congruence relation  $\rho$  on  $\mathfrak{A}''$  such that for each  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and for any  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A$ ,*

$$(4) \quad f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = \rho\langle f''_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \rangle.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{A}'' = (A, (f''_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  be a universal algebra and let  $\rho \subseteq A \times A$  be a congruence relation on  $\mathfrak{A}''$ . The fact that the multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  defined by (4) is complete follows by considering in Proposition 3,  $B = A/\rho$ ,  $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{A}''/\rho$  and  $A_{\rho\langle a \rangle} = \rho\langle a \rangle$  for any  $\rho\langle a \rangle \in B$ .

Conversely, let us consider that the multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is complete and let  $\mathfrak{B}$  and  $\{A_b \mid b \in B\}$  be as in Proposition 3. Let us choose in each  $A_b$  an element  $a_{A_b}$ . For any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and for any  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A$  there exist  $b_0, \dots, b_{n_\gamma-1} \in B$  (uniquely determined) such that  $a_0 \in A_{b_0}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A_{b_{n_\gamma-1}}$ . If we define

$$f''_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = a_{A_{f_\gamma(b_0, \dots, b_{n_\gamma-1})}}$$

then we obtain a universal algebra  $\mathfrak{A}''$  on  $A$ . The relation  $\rho = \bigcup_{b \in B} A_b \times A_b$  is a congruence on  $\mathfrak{A}''$  and (4) holds.  $\square$

Let  $\mathfrak{A} = (A, (f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  be a universal algebra. It is clear that

$$A_* = \{f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \mid a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A, \gamma < o(\tau)\}$$

is a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Let us denote by  $\mathfrak{A}_*$  the universal algebra determined on  $A_*$  by the restrictions of the operations  $(f_\gamma)_{\gamma < o(\tau)}$ . If we consider an equivalence relation  $\rho$  on  $A$  and for any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1} \in A$  we take

$$(5) \quad f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = \rho\langle f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \rangle$$

we obtain a multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho = (A, (f_\gamma^\rho)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  on  $A$ .

From Theorem 1 we deduce that the request for  $\rho$  to be a congruence on  $\mathfrak{A}$  is sufficient for  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  to be a complete multialgebra. A trivial example will show that this condition is not necessary.

*Example 1.* It is clear that any universal algebra is a complete multialgebra. Let us consider the groupoid  $(H, \cdot)$  given by the following table:

$\cdot$	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$a$	$c$	$d$	$c$	$d$
$b$	$d$	$c$	$c$	$d$
$c$	$c$	$c$	$c$	$d$
$d$	$d$	$d$	$d$	$d$

and the relation  $\rho = (\{a, b\} \times \{a, b\}) \cup (\{c\} \times \{c\}) \cup (\{d\} \times \{d\})$ . Since  $(a, b) \in \rho$ ,  $ab = d$ ,  $bb = c$  and  $(c, d) \notin \rho$ , the relation  $\rho$  is not a congruence on  $(H, \cdot)$ , but if we consider  $x \circ y = \rho\langle xy \rangle$  for any  $x, y \in H$  we obtain a groupoid  $(H, \circ) = (H, \cdot)$  which is, obviously, a complete multialgebra.

A necessary and sufficient condition on  $\rho$  such that  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is a complete multialgebra will be introduced in the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.** *The multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho = (A, (f_\gamma^\rho)_{\gamma < o(\tau)})$  is complete if and only if*

$$\rho' = \left( \bigcup_{a \in A \setminus \rho(A_*)} \{a\} \times \{a\} \right) \cup (\rho \cap (\rho(A_*) \times \rho(A_*)))$$

*is a congruence relation on  $\mathfrak{A}$ .*

*Proof.* It is easy to observe that  $\rho'$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho = \mathfrak{A}_{\rho'}$  thus the assumption that  $\rho'$  is a congruence relation on  $\mathfrak{A}$  leads us to the conclusion that the multialgebra  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is complete.

Conversely, let us consider that  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is a complete multialgebra and let us prove that  $\rho'$  is a congruence relation on  $\mathfrak{A}$ . It is enough to prove that for any  $\gamma < o(\tau)$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}, x, y \in A$  with  $x\rho'y$  we have

$$(6) \quad f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1})\rho'f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, y, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}).$$

Since  $f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}), f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, y, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \in A_*$ , (6) can be written again as

$$(6') \quad f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1})\rho f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, y, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}).$$

If  $x = y \in A \setminus \rho(A_*)$  then (6') holds trivially.

If  $x, y \in \rho(A_*)$  then there exist  $\delta, \zeta < o(\tau)$  and  $x_0, \dots, x_{n_\delta-1}, y_0, \dots, y_{n_\zeta-1} \in A$  with

$$x\rho f_\delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n_\delta-1}) \text{ and } y\rho f_\zeta(y_0, \dots, y_{n_\zeta-1}).$$

Using (5) it follows that for any  $i \in \{0, \dots, n_\gamma - 1\}$  we have

$$(7) \quad f_\delta^\rho(x_0, \dots, x_{n_\delta-1}) = \rho\langle x \rangle = \rho\langle y \rangle = f_\zeta^\rho(y_0, \dots, y_{n_\zeta-1}).$$

The nonempty set  $f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1})$  is a subset for

$$f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, f_\delta^\rho(x_0, \dots, x_{n_\delta-1}), a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}).$$

Let  $m = n_\delta + n_\gamma$  and let  $b_0, \dots, b_{m-1}$  be  $a_0, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}, x_0, \dots, x_{n_\delta-1}$  respectively. According to Remark 1, there exists  $p^\rho \in P^{(m)}(\mathfrak{P}^*(\mathfrak{A}_\rho))$  such that

$$f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, f_\delta^\rho(x_0, \dots, x_{n_\delta-1}), a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = p^\rho(b_0, \dots, b_{m-1}).$$

Since  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is a complete multialgebra and  $f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1})$  is included in  $p^\rho(b_0, \dots, b_{m-1})$  we have

$$f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = p^\rho(b_0, \dots, b_{m-1}).$$

Using (7) we obtain that  $f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, y, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1})$  is a subset of

$$\begin{aligned} & f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, f_\zeta^\rho(y_0, \dots, y_{n_\zeta-1}), a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \\ &= f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, f_\delta^\rho(x_0, \dots, x_{n_\delta-1}), a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \\ &= p^\rho(b_0, \dots, b_{m-1}) \end{aligned}$$

hence  $f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, y, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = p^\rho(b_0, \dots, b_{m-1})$ . So,

$$f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) = f_\gamma^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, y, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}).$$

Thus

$$\rho\langle f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, x, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \rangle = \rho\langle f_\gamma(a_0, \dots, a_{i-1}, y, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_{n_\gamma-1}) \rangle$$

and (6') holds.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a universal algebra and let  $\rho$  be an equivalence relation on  $A$  such that  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is a complete multialgebra. For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau) \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_i \mid i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}\}$  and  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in A$  we have*

$$p^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) = \rho\langle p(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \rangle$$

( $p^\rho$  and  $p$  denote the term functions induced by  $\mathbf{p}$  on  $\mathfrak{B}^*(\mathfrak{A}_\rho)$  and  $\mathfrak{A}$ , respectively).

Indeed, taking in Remark 4,  $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{A}/\rho'$  and  $A_{\rho'\langle a \rangle} = \rho'\langle a \rangle$  for any  $a \in A$  we have

$$p^\rho(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) = \rho'\langle p(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \rangle = \rho\langle p(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \rangle.$$

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a universal algebra which verifies the identity  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{r}$  ( $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau)$ ) and let  $\rho$  be an equivalence relation on  $A$  such that  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is a complete multialgebra.*

- i) *If  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{x}_i$  and  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x}_j$  for some  $i, j \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ ,  $i \neq j$  then  $|A| = 1$  and the identity  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{r}$  is trivially satisfied on  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$ .*
- ii) *If  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{x}_i$  for some  $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $\mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau) \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_i \mid i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}\}$  then the identity  $\mathbf{q} \cap \mathbf{r} \neq \emptyset$  is satisfied on  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$ .*
- iii) *If  $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\tau) \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_i \mid i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}\}$  and the identity  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{r}$  is satisfied on  $\mathfrak{A}$  then the identity  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{r}$  is satisfied on  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$ .*

From Remark 5 we deduce:

**Corollary 3.** *If  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a universal algebra and  $\rho$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$  such that  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is a complete multialgebra then the fundamental relation of  $\mathfrak{A}_\rho$  is*

$$\alpha_{\mathfrak{A}}^* = \alpha_{\mathfrak{A}} = \left( \bigcup_{a \in A \setminus \rho(A_*)} \{a\} \times \{a\} \right) \cup (\rho \cap (\rho(A_*) \times \rho(A_*))).$$

It is known that any group  $(G, \cdot)$  can be seen as a universal algebra with three binary operations  $(G, \cdot, /, \setminus)$ , with  $G \neq \emptyset$ , which satisfies the following identities

$$(\mathbf{x}_0 \cdot \mathbf{x}_1) \cdot \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{x}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_2), \quad \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_0 \cdot (\mathbf{x}_0 \setminus \mathbf{x}_1), \quad \mathbf{x}_1 = (\mathbf{x}_1 / \mathbf{x}_0) \cdot \mathbf{x}_0,$$

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_0 \setminus (\mathbf{x}_0 \cdot \mathbf{x}_1), \quad \mathbf{x}_1 = (\mathbf{x}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_0) / \mathbf{x}_0$$

(see [10, p.215]). Using the previous notations we have  $G_* = G$  and for any equivalence relation  $\rho$  on  $G$  we have  $\rho(G_*) = G$ .

From Remark 2, Theorem 2, Corollary 2 and Corollary 3 we obtain:

**Corollary 4.** *Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a group and let  $\rho$  be an equivalence relation on  $G$ . The hypergroupoid  $(G, \circ)$ , given by  $x \circ y = \rho(xy)$ , is a complete multialgebra if and only if there exists a normal subgroup  $N$  of  $G$  such that  $\rho$  is the equivalence relation induced by  $N$  on  $G$ . In this case  $x \circ y = (xy)N$  and  $(G, \circ)$  is a complete hypergroup with the fundamental relation  $\beta = \bigcup_{g \in G} gN \times gN$ . The fundamental group of the hypergroup  $(G, \circ)$  is the factor group  $(G/N, \cdot)$  and the heart of  $(G, \circ)$  is  $\beta(1) = N$ .*

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