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**Direct limits of direct
systems of hypergroupoids
associated to binary relations**

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Let H be a set and let R be a binary relation on H and let R^{-1} be the inverse of the relation R .

$$R^{-1}(X) = D(R) = \{x \in H \mid \exists y \in H : xRy\}$$

is called the domain of the relation R .

If $x, x_1, \dots, x_n \in H, X \subseteq H$ we denote

$$R\langle x \rangle = \{y \in H \mid xRy\}, \quad R(X) = \{y \in H \mid \exists x \in X : xRy\},$$

$$R(x_1, \dots, x_n) = R(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}).$$

An element $x \in H$ is an *outer element* of (the relation) R if there exists $h \in H$ such that $(h, x) \notin R^2$.

Rosenberg associated to the binary relation $R \subseteq H \times H$ the partial hypergroupoid $H_R = (H, \circ)$ defined by

$$x \circ y = R(x, y).$$

Obviously, $x^2 = x \circ x = R\langle x \rangle$ and $x \circ y = x^2 \cup y^2$.

Lemma 1. *Let H be a set and let R be a binary relation on H . The partial hypergroupoid $H_R = (H, \circ)$ is a hypergroupoid if and only if the domain of R is H .*

Proposition 1. *Let R be a binary relation on H with full domain. The hypergroupoid H_R is a semihypergroup if and only if $R \subseteq R^2$ and*

$$(a, x) \in R^2 \Rightarrow (a, x) \in R$$

whenever x is an outer element of R .

Proposition 2. *Let $H \neq \emptyset$ and let R be a binary relation on H . The hypergroupoid H_R is a hypergroup if and only if the following conditions hold:*

- 1) $\bar{R}^{-1}(H) = H$;
- 2) $R(H) = H$;
- 3) $R \subseteq R^2$;
- 4) whenever x is an outer element of R we have

$$(a, x) \in R^2 \Rightarrow (a, x) \in R.$$

Proposition 3. *Let $(H, *)$ be a semihypergroup. There exists a binary relation R on H such that $(H, *) = H_R$ if and only if the following conditions are satisfied for any $x, y \in H$:*

- a) $x * y = x^2 \cup y^2$;
- b) $x^2 \subseteq (x^2)^2$;
- c) $(x^2)^2 \cap (H \setminus (y^2)^2) \subseteq x^2$.

The binary relation $R \subseteq H \times H$ from Rosenberg's proof is defined by

$$xRy \Leftrightarrow y \in x * x$$

and $\overline{R}^{-1}(H) = H$. The above proposition can be restated:

Proposition 4. *Let $(H, *)$ be a hypergroupoid. There exists a binary relation R on H such that $(H, *) = H_R$ if and only if*

$$(*) \quad x * y = x^2 \cup y^2, \quad \forall x, y \in H.$$

*A hypergroupoid $(H, *)$ which satisfies the condition $(*)$ is a semihypergroup if and only if it verifies the conditions b) and c) from previous Proposition.*

Remark 1. A hypergroupoid $(H, *)$ which satisfies the condition $(*)$ is a hypergroup if and only if it verifies the above conditions b), c), and $\bigcup_{x \in H} x^2 = H$.

Corsini proved that:

Theorem 1. *If $((H_i, R_i) \mid i \in I)$ is a direct system of relational systems, $(H, R) = \varinjlim_{i \in I} (H_i, R_i)$, and if for any $i \in I$ there exists $k \in I$, $i \leq k$ such that $(H_k)_{R_k}$ is a hypergroup then H_R is a hypergroup.*

If R is a binary relation on the set H and $D(R) = H$, we can identify (H, R) with the multialgebra (H, f) with one unary multioperation $f : H \rightarrow P^*(H)$ defined by

$$xRy \Leftrightarrow y \in f(x).$$

If (H', R') is also a relational system with $D(R') = H'$, (H', f') is the corresponding monounary multialgebra and $h : H \rightarrow H'$ is a relational homomorphisms between (H, R) and (H', R') then h is a relational homomorphism between (H, R) and (H', R') if and only if h is a homomorphism between the multialgebras (H, f) and (H', f') .

Let \mathcal{R}_2 be the category of the relational systems with one binary relation, and let us denote by \mathcal{R}'_2 its full subcategory whose objects are the relational systems (H, R) for which $D(R) = H$. The category \mathcal{R}'_2 is isomorphic to the category $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ of the monounary multialgebras.

\Rightarrow we can translate the results of Rosenberg in terms of monounary multialgebras;

If $H \neq \emptyset$ and (H, f) is a monounary multialgebra then the hypergroupoid H_f is a hypergroup if and only if the following conditions hold:

- i) $f(H) = H$;
- ii) $f(x) \subseteq f(f(x)), \forall x \in H$;
- iii) whenever x is an outer element we have

$$x \in f(f(a)) \Rightarrow x \in f(a).$$

\Rightarrow a hypergroupoid (or semihypergroup, or hypergroup) $(H, *)$ is determined by a unary multioperation f on H if and only if $(H, *)$ satisfies the condition (*).

Besides \mathcal{R}_2 , \mathcal{R}'_2 and $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$, the following categories drew our attention:

- the category $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$ of hypergroupoids: the morphisms are the hypergroupoid homomorphisms and the product of two morphisms is the usual composition of homomorphisms;
- the full subcategory of $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$ whose object are the hypergroupoids which satisfy (*), denoted by $\mathbf{Malg}'(2)$;
- the full subcategory of $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$ whose object are the semihypergroups, denoted by \mathbf{SHG} ;
- the full subcategory of \mathbf{SHG} whose object are the semihypergroups which satisfy (*), denoted by \mathbf{SHG}' ;
- the category \mathbf{HG} of hypergroups with hypergroup homomorphisms and the usual composition;
- the full subcategory of \mathbf{HG} whose object are the hypergroups which satisfy (*), denoted by \mathbf{HG}' ;
- the full subcategory $\mathbf{Malg}'(1)$ of $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ whose objects are the monounary multialgebras (H, f) which satisfy the conditions ii), iii);
- the full subcategory $\mathbf{Malg}''(1)$ of $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ whose objects are the monounary multialgebras (H, f) , $H \neq \emptyset$, which satisfy the conditions i), ii), iii).

Lemma 2. *Let $(H, f), (H', f')$ be two multialgebras from $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$, let $H_f = (H, \circ), H'_{f'} = (H', \circ')$ be the hypergroupoids associated to the multioperations f and f' , respectively. The mapping $h : H \rightarrow H'$ is a homomorphism from (H, f) into (H', f') if and only if h is a homomorphism from H_f into $H'_{f'}$.*

\Rightarrow the correspondence $(H, f) \mapsto H_f = (H, \circ)$ defines a covariant functor $F : \mathbf{Malg}(1) \rightarrow \mathbf{Malg}'(2)$.

If in the previous Lemma we consider two multialgebras (H, f) and (H', f') from $\mathbf{Malg}'(1)$ then h is a morphism in \mathbf{SHG}' between H_f and $H'_{f'}$. Hence, we obtain a functor

$$F' : \mathbf{Malg}'(1) \rightarrow \mathbf{SHG}'.$$

If in we consider two multialgebras (H, f) and (H', f') from $\mathbf{Malg}''(1)$ then h is a morphism in \mathbf{HG}' between H_f and $H'_{f'}$. Hence, we obtain a covariant functor

$$F'' : \mathbf{Malg}''(1) \rightarrow \mathbf{HG}'.$$

If $(H, *)$ is a hypergroupoid and we consider

$$f_* : H \rightarrow P^*(H), \quad f_*(x) = x * x$$

then $(H, f_*) \in \mathbf{Malg}(1)$, and if $h \in H_{\mathbf{Malg}(2)}((H, *), (H', *'))$ then $h \in H_{\mathbf{Malg}(1)}((H, f_*), (H', f_*'))$.

\Rightarrow the correspondences

$$(H, *) \mapsto (H, f_*), \quad h \mapsto h$$

define a covariant functor $\mathbf{Malg}(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{Malg}(1)$.

Compose this functor with the inclusion functor

$$\mathbf{Malg}'(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{Malg}(2)$$

and we obtain a covariant functor

$$G : \mathbf{Malg}'(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{Malg}(1).$$

Lemma 3. *F is an isomorphism between the categories $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ and $\mathbf{Malg}'(2)$, and G is the inverse of F .*

Corollary 1. *F' is an isomorphism between $\mathbf{Malg}'(1)$ and \mathbf{SHG}' , and the inverse of F' is $G' : \mathbf{SHG}' \rightarrow \mathbf{Malg}'(1)$,*

$$G'(H, *) = (H, f_*), \quad G'(h) = h.$$

Corollary 2. *F'' is an isomorphism between $\mathbf{Malg}''(1)$ and \mathbf{HG}' , and the inverse of F'' is $G'' : \mathbf{HG}' \rightarrow \mathbf{Malg}''(1)$,*

$$G''(H, *) = (H, f_*), \quad G''(h) = h.$$

Let $\mathcal{H} = (((H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$ be a direct system of multialgebras from $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ and for each $i \in I$ let $F(H_i, f_i) = (H_i, \circ_i)$. Then

$$((H_i, \circ_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$$

is a direct system of hypergroupoids, denoted by $F(\mathcal{H})$.

Remember that (I, \leq) is a directed preordered set and the homomorphisms φ_{ij} ($i, j \in I, i \leq j$) are such that

$$\varphi_{ii} = 1_{A_i}, \quad \forall i \in I \text{ and } \varphi_{jk} \circ \varphi_{ij} = \varphi_{ik}, \quad \forall i, j, k \in I, i \leq j \leq k.$$

The relation \equiv defined on the disjoint union H of the sets H_i as follows: for any $x, y \in A$ there exist $i, j \in I$ such that $x \in H_i, y \in H_j$, and

$$x \equiv y \Leftrightarrow \exists k \in I, i \leq k, j \leq k : \varphi_{ik}(x) = \varphi_{jk}(y)$$

is an equivalence relation on H and the factor set

$$H_\infty = H/\equiv = \{\hat{x} \mid x \in H\}$$

is the direct limit of the direct system of sets

$$((H_i \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j)).$$

The direct limit $\varinjlim \mathcal{H}$ of the direct system of multialgebras \mathcal{H} is the monounary multialgebra (H_∞, f) with f defined as follows: if $\hat{x} \in A_\infty$ and $i \in I$ such that $x \in H_i$ then

$$f(\hat{x}) = \{\hat{y} \mid \exists m \in I, i \leq m, y \in f_m(\varphi_{im}(x))\}.$$

The direct limit of the direct system of hypergroupoids $((H_i, \circ_i) \mid i \in I)$ (in $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$) is the hypergroupoid (H_∞, \circ) with \circ defined as follows: if $\widehat{x}_1, \widehat{x}_2 \in A_\infty$ and $i_1, i_2 \in I$ such that $x_1 \in H_{i_1}, x_2 \in H_{i_2}$ then

$$\widehat{x}_1 \circ \widehat{x}_2 = \{\widehat{y} \mid \exists m \in I, i_1 \leq m, i_2 \leq m, y \in \varphi_{i_1 m}(x_1) \circ_m \varphi_{i_2 m}(x_2)\}.$$

Theorem 2. *The hypergroupoid (H_∞, \circ) is the hypergroupoid determined by the multialgebra (H_∞, f) .*

Corollary 3. *The subcategory $\mathbf{Malg}'(2)$ of $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$ is closed under direct limits of direct systems.*

Corollary 4. *If $\mathcal{H} = (((H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$ is a direct system of multialgebras from $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ and $F(\mathcal{H})$ is the direct system of hypergroupoids*

$$((F(H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$$

then $F(\varinjlim \mathcal{H})$ is the direct limit of $F(\mathcal{H})$ in $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$.

Corollary 5. *If $((H_i, \circ_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j)$ is a direct system of hypergroupoids from $\mathbf{Malg}'(2)$ then the direct limit of the direct system of multialgebras $((G(H_i, \circ_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$ from $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$ is the monounary multialgebra which determines the direct limit of the hypergroupoids $((H_i, \circ_i) \mid i \in I)$.*

Since the direct limit of a direct system of (semi)hypergroups is a (semi)hypergroup, we have:

Corollary 6. *The subcategory $\mathbf{Malg}'(1)$ of $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ is closed under direct limits of direct systems. Moreover, if $\mathcal{H} = (((H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$ is a direct system of multialgebras from $\mathbf{Malg}'(1)$ and $F'(\mathcal{H})$ is the direct system of semihypergroups*

$$((F'(H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$$

then $F'(\varinjlim \mathcal{H})$ is the direct limit of $F'(\mathcal{H})$ in $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$.

Corollary 7. *The subcategory $\mathbf{Malg}''(1)$ of $\mathbf{Malg}(1)$ is closed under direct limits of direct systems. Moreover, if $\mathcal{H} = (((H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$ is a direct system of multialgebras from $\mathbf{Malg}''(1)$ and $F''(\mathcal{H})$ is the direct system of semihypergroups*

$$((F''(H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$$

then $F''(\varinjlim \mathcal{H})$ is the direct limit of $F''(\mathcal{H})$ in $\mathbf{Malg}(2)$.

Let (I, \leq) be a directed partially ordered set and let

$$\mathcal{A} = ((\mathfrak{A}_i \mid i \in I), (\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in I, i \leq j))$$

be a direct system of multialgebras and let us consider $J \subseteq I$ such that (J, \leq) is also a directed partially ordered set. Denote by \mathcal{A}_J the direct system consisting of the multialgebras $(\mathfrak{A}_i \mid i \in J)$ whose carrier is (J, \leq) and the homomorphisms are $(\varphi_{ij} \mid i, j \in J, i \leq j)$.

Proposition 5. (Pelea) *Let \mathcal{A} be a direct system of multialgebras with the carrier (I, \leq) and let us consider $J \subseteq I$ such that (J, \leq) is a directed partially ordered set cofinal with (I, \leq) . Then the multialgebras $\varinjlim \mathcal{A}$ and $\varinjlim \mathcal{A}_J$ are isomorphic.*

Corollary 8. *Let (I, \leq) be a directed partially ordered set and $J \subseteq I$ such that (J, \leq) is a directed partially ordered set cofinal with (I, \leq) . If $((H_i, f_i) \mid i \in I)$ is a direct system of monounary multialgebras and for any $i \in J$, (H_i, f_i) satisfies the conditions (i),) ii), iii) then the direct limit multialgebra $\varinjlim_{i \in I} (H_i, f_i)$ satisfies the conditions (i),) ii), iii). The hypergroupoid determined by the monounary multialgebra $\varinjlim_{i \in I} (H_i, f_i)$ is a (hypergroup) semihypergroup which is the direct limit of the (hypergroup) semihypergroups $((H_i)_{f_i} \mid i \in J)$ in $\text{Malg}(2)$.*

\Rightarrow the theorem of Corsini.

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