

Crossed-inverse-property groupoids

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Abstract. The (right, left) crossed-inverse-property in groupoids is investigated. It is shown that the class of all crossed-inverse-property groupoids is a variety of quasigroups. Some properties of the right-crossed-property groupoids are established.

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In this paper we investigate (right, left) crossed-inverse-property groupoids. We concentrate on the problem of proving whether the right-crossed-inverse-property groupoid is a quasigroup. We establish in this paper several results that bring nearer the solution of this problem. For quasigroups these notions are considered, for example, in [1–3].

Let (Q, \cdot) be a groupoid (i.e. a non-empty set together with a binary operation " \cdot ").

Definition 1. A groupoid (Q, \cdot) is called:

(i) a right crossed-inverse-property groupoid (*RCIP*-groupoid) if for each $x \in Q$, there exists an element $x' \in Q$ such that $(xy)x' = y$ for all $y \in Q$;

(ii) a left crossed-inverse-property groupoid (*LCIP*-groupoid) if for each $x \in Q$, there exists an element $x'' \in Q$ such that $x''(yx) = y$ for all $y \in Q$;

(iii) a crossed-inverse-property groupoid (*CIP*-groupoid) if it satisfies (i) and (ii).

Note that in Definition 1 the uniqueness of the elements $x', x'' \in Q$ is not requested. Nevertheless we have the following assertion.

Proposition 1. The elements x', x'' from Definition 1 are unique for every $x \in Q$.

Proof. Let be $u, v \in Q$ and $(xy)u = y = (xy)v$. Then $u = ((xy)u)(xy)' = ((xy)v)(xy)' = v$. The same is valid for $x'' \in Q$.

For a groupoid (Q, \cdot) from Definition 1 denote by I_r, I_l the mappings $x \rightarrow x'$, $x \rightarrow x''$ respectively. Thus from Proposition 1 the mappings I_r, I_l are unique if exist. So the considered groupoids can be defined as follows.

Definition 2. A groupoid (Q, \cdot) is called:

(i) a right crossed-inverse-property groupoid (RCIP-groupoid) if there exists a mapping I_r of Q such that

$$(xy)I_r x = y \quad (1)$$

for all $x, y \in Q$, that is shortly denoted by (Q, \cdot, I_r) ;

(ii) a left crossed-inverse-property groupoid (LCIP-groupoid) if there exists a mapping I_l of Q such that

$$I_l x(yx) = y \quad (2)$$

for all $x, y \in Q$, that is shortly denoted by (Q, \cdot, I_l) ;

(iii) a crossed-inverse-property groupoid (CIP-groupoid) if it satisfies (i) and (ii), that is shortly denoted by (Q, \cdot, I_r, I_l) .

Let $L_a x = ax$ ($R_a x = xa$) be the left (right) translation by element x in (Q, \cdot) .

Proposition 2. (i) If (Q, \cdot, I_r) is a RCIP-groupoid, then it is a left cancellable groupoid, (i. e. $(ax = ay) \Rightarrow (x = y)$ for all $a, x, y \in Q$, or, equivalently, L_a is injective for any $a \in Q$);

(ii) If (Q, \cdot, I_l) is a LCIP-groupoid, then it is a right cancellable groupoid, i. e. $(xa = ya) \Rightarrow (x = y)$ for all $a, x, y \in Q$, or, equivalently, R_a is injective for any $a \in Q$);

(iii) If (Q, \cdot, I_r, I_l) is a CIP-groupoid, then it is a cancellable groupoid;

Proof. (i) Let be $a, x_1, x_2 \in Q$ such that $ax_1 = ax_2$. Then $(ax_1)I_r a = (ax_2)I_r a$, so $x_1 = x_2$ by Definition 2. Similarly for (ii) and (iii).

Proposition 3. Let be φ, ψ arbitrary mappings and χ bijection on the set Q :

(i) If $\varphi\psi = \chi$ then ψ is injective and φ is surjective;

(ii) If $\varphi\psi = \chi$ and φ is injective, then φ, ψ are bijections on Q .

Proof. (i) For $x, y \in Q$ we have $(\psi x = \psi y) \Rightarrow (\varphi(\psi x) = \varphi(\psi y)) \Rightarrow (\chi x = \chi y) \Rightarrow (x = y)$. So ψ is injective. Since $\varphi\psi = \chi$ then $\varphi\psi y = \chi y$ and $\varphi\psi\chi^{-1}y = y$ for every $y \in Q$, hence φ is surjective.

(ii) By (i) φ is surjective, so it is a bijection. Then ψ is a bijection by $\varphi\psi = \chi$.

Proposition 4. (i) The mapping I_r of a RCIP-groupoid (Q, \cdot, I_r) is an endomorphism of (Q, \cdot) and

$$yI_r(xy) = I_r x \quad (3)$$

for all $x, y \in Q$;

(ii) The mapping I_l of a LCIP-groupoid (Q, \cdot, I_l) is an endomorphism of (Q, \cdot) and

$$I_l(yx)y = I_l x \quad (4)$$

for all $x, y \in Q$;

(iii) The image $I_r(Q)$ of a RCIP-groupoid (Q, \cdot, I_r) is a cancellable RCIP-groupoid. In the groupoid $(I_r(Q), \cdot, I_r)$ the translations $L_x, R_{I_r x}$ are bijections for all $x \in I_r(Q)$, I_r is injective and

$$y(xI_r y) = x \quad (5)$$

holds for all $x, y \in I_r(Q)$;

(iv) The image $I_l(Q)$ of LCIP-groupoid (Q, \cdot, I_l) is a cancellable LCIP-groupoid. In the groupoid $(I_l(Q), \cdot, I_l)$ the translations $R_x, L_{I_l x}$ are bijections for all $x \in I_l(Q)$, I_l is injective and

$$(I_l y x)y = x \quad (6)$$

holds for all $x, y \in I_l(Q)$;

Proof. (i). From (1), we have $((xy)I_r x)I_r(xy) = yI_r(xy)$, that is $yI_r(xy) = I_r x$, by (1). Then $(yI_r(xy))I_r y = I_r x I_r y$, so $I_r(xy) = I_r x I_r y$ i. e. I_r is an endomorphism.

(ii). The proof is similar to that of (i).

(iv). The homomorphic image of a groupoid is a groupoid. For any $x \in I_l(Q)$ it holds $I_l(x) \in I_l(Q)$. Thus $(I_l(Q), \cdot, I_l)$ is a LCIP-groupoid.

If elements $a, b, x \in Q$ and $xa = b$ then $x = I_l a \cdot b$ by (2). Now suppose $a, b, c \in Q$ such that $(I_l a \cdot b)a = c$. Then by (2) we have $I_l a \cdot b = I_l a \cdot c = d$ for some $d \in Q$ and $I_l b \cdot d = I_l a = I_l c \cdot d$ from which $I_l b = I_l c$ by the right cancellability in the groupoid (Q, \cdot) .

The following implications

$$((I_l a \cdot b)a = c) \Rightarrow (I_l((I_l a \cdot b)a)) = I_l c \Rightarrow ((I_l^2 a \cdot I_l b)I_l a = I_l c) \Rightarrow ((I_l^2 a \cdot I_l b)I_l a = I_l b)$$

are valued for all $a, b \in Q$, thus (6) is proved. From (2) and (6) we get $L_{I_l x} R_x = \varepsilon = R_x L_{I_l x}$, so $R_x, L_{I_l x}$ are bijections for any $x \in I_l(Q)$ by Proposition 3.

Let be $x_1, x_2 \in I_l(Q)$ such that $I_l x_1 = I_l x_2$. Then $L_{I_l x_1} = L_{I_l x_2}$ and $I_l x_1(yx_1) = y = I_l x_2(yx_2)$, for all $y \in I_l(Q)$. Put here $y = I_l a$ for an arbitrary fixed $a \in I_l(Q)$. We obtain $I_l x_1(I_l a \cdot x_1) = I_l a = I_l x_2(I_l a \cdot x_2)$, or $L_{I_l x_1} L_{I_l a} x_1 = L_{I_l x_2} L_{I_l a} x_2$. Thus $x_1 = x_2$ and I_l is injective.

Now for all $a, x_1, x_2, c \in I_l(Q)$ we have

$$(ax_1 = ax_2 = c) \Rightarrow (I_l x_1 \cdot c = a = I_l x_2 \cdot c) \Rightarrow (I_l x_1 = I_l x_2) \Rightarrow (x_1 = x_2)$$

by the right cancellability in the groupoid (Q, \cdot) and injectivity of I_l . So $I_l(Q)$ is a cancellable LCIP-groupoid.

(iii). The proof is similar to that of (iv).

Definition 3. A quasigroup (Q, \cdot) is called a RCIP- (LCIP-, CIP-) quasigroup if it is a RCIP- (LCIP-, CIP-) groupoid.

Theorem 1. *The following statements are equivalent for a groupoid (Q, \cdot) :*

- (i) (Q, \cdot, I_r) is a RCIP-groupoid and the mapping I_r is a bijection;
- (ii) (Q, \cdot, I_l) is a LCIP-groupoid and the mapping I_l is a bijection;
- (iii) (Q, \cdot, I_r, I_l) is a CIP-quasigroup.

Proof. (iii) \Rightarrow (i). If (Q, \cdot) is a CIP-quasigroup then L_a and R_a are bijections for all $a \in Q$. Let be $x_1, x_2 \in Q$ such that $I_r x_1 = I_r x_2$. Then $R_{I_r x_1} = R_{I_r x_2}$ and $(x_1 y) I_r x_1 = y = (x_2 y) I_r x_2$, for all $y \in Q$. Put here $y = I_r a$ for an arbitrary fixed $a \in Q$. We obtain $(x_1 I_r a) I_r x_1 = I_r a = (x_2 I_r a) I_r x_2$, or $R_{I_r x_1} R_{I_r a} x_1 = R_{I_r x_2} R_{I_r a} x_2$. Thus $x_1 = x_2$ and I_r is injective.

For all $a, b \in Q$ there exists a unique $x \in Q$ such that $(xb)a = b$. Also we have $(xb)I_r x = b$ and then $I_r x = a$ by the cancellability in the quasigroup (Q, \cdot) . So, the mapping I_r is a bijection.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii). The proof is similar.

(i) \Rightarrow (iii). Let be $a, b \in Q$. From Proposition 2 L_a is injective for any $a \in Q$. Since I_r is a bijection then there exists $x \in Q$ such that $I_r x = b$. By (3) it hold $y I_r (xy) = I_r x = b$ for any $y \in Q$. We get $L_a I_r (xa) = a I_r (xa) = I_r x = b$ and L_a is surjective. From (1) we get $R_{I_r x} L_x = \varepsilon$. Thus R_a is a bijection for any $a \in Q$ since I_r is one. So (Q, \cdot) is a RCIP-quasigroup. Now (3) with $y = I_r^{-1} y$ and $x = I_r^{-1} x$ gives

$$I_r^{-1} y (xy) = x \quad (7)$$

for all $x, y \in Q$. Thus (Q, \cdot, I_r, I_l) is a CIP-quasigroup with $I_l = I_r^{-1}$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). The proof is similar.

Corollary 1. *If (Q, \cdot, I_r, I_l) is a CIP-quasigroup then I_l, I_r are bijections and $I_l = I_r^{-1}$.*

Corollary 2. *A finite RCIP- (LCIP-) groupoid is a CIP-quasigroup.*

Proof. Let be (Q, \cdot, I_r) a finite RCIP-groupoid. By Proposition 3 L_a is injective for all $a \in Q$, so it is a bijective mapping because of finiteness of Q . From $(xy)I_r x = y$ we obtain $R_{I_r x} L_x = \varepsilon$, thus $R_{I_r x}$ is a bijection for all $x \in Q$.

Similarly as in Theorem 1 we can prove that I_r is injective. Because of finiteness of Q the mapping I_r is bijective and hence R_x is a bijection for all $x \in Q$. So (Q, \cdot) is a quasigroup. The proof is similar when (Q, \cdot) is a left crossed-inverse-property groupoid.

Theorem 2. *Every CIP-groupoid is a CIP-quasigroup.*

Proof. By Definition 2 we have $R_{I_r x} L_x = \varepsilon$ and $L_{I_l x} R_x = \varepsilon$. Thus R_x, L_x are bijections for all $x \in Q$ by Propositions 3 and 4.

Proposition 5. (i) A homomorphic image of RCIP- (LCIP-, CIP-) groupoid is a RCIP- (LCIP-, CIP-) groupoid;

(ii) A direct product of two RCIP- (LCIP-, CIP-) groupoids is a RCIP- (LCIP-, CIP-) groupoid.

Proof. (i) Let (Q, \cdot) be a RCIP-groupoid for which $(xy)I_r x = y$ for all $x, y \in Q$, and φ is a homomorphism of (Q, \cdot) on a groupoid (G, \star) . Then $(\varphi((xy)I_r x) = \varphi y) \Leftrightarrow ((\varphi x \star \varphi y) \star \varphi(I_r x) = \varphi y)$ for all $x, y \in Q$. So $(\varphi x \star z) \star \varphi(I_r x) = z$ for all $x \in Q, z \in G$. Hence for every $u, z \in G$ there exists an element $u' \in G$ such that $(u \star z) \star u' = z$ for all $u, z \in G$, that is (G, \star) is a RCIP-groupoid by Definition 1. The proof is similar when (Q, \cdot) is a LCIP- (CIP-) groupoid. (ii) Let (Q, \cdot) and (G, \star) be RCIP-groupoids and $(x \cdot y) \cdot I_r x = y$ for all $x, y \in Q$, where I_r is a mapping on Q , and $(x \star y) \star J_r x = y$ for all $x, y \in G$, where J_r is a mapping on G . Define the mapping $T_r : Q \times G \rightarrow Q \times G$ by $T_r(x, u) := (I_r x, J_r u)$ for all $(x, u) \in Q \times G$. Let (\otimes) be the binary operation on $Q \times G$ defined by $(x, u) \otimes (y, v) := (x \cdot y, u \star v)$ for all $(x, u), (y, v) \in Q \times G$. Then we have $((x, u) \otimes (y, v)) \otimes T_r(x, u) = (x \cdot y, u \star v) \otimes (I_r x, J_r u) = ((x \cdot y) \cdot I_r x, (u \star v) \star J_r u) = (y, v)$. Thus, $(Q \times G, \otimes)$ is a RCIP-groupoid. The proof is similar when (Q, \cdot) and (G, \star) are LCIP- (CIP-) groupoids.

Lemma 1. (i) A homomorphic image of CIP-quasigroup is a CIP-quasigroup;

(ii) A subquasigroup of a CIP-quasigroup is a CIP-quasigroup.

Proof. Let (Q, \cdot) be a CIP-quasigroup for which $(xy)I_r x = y$ for all $x, y \in Q$, and φ be a homomorphism of (Q, \cdot) on a groupoid (G, \star) .

(i) It is well known that (G, \star) is a groupoid with division. By Propositions 5 and 2 (G, \star) is a cancellable groupoid.

(ii) Let (P, \cdot) be a subquasigroup of the CIP-quasigroup (Q, \cdot) . Since $(xy)I_r x = y$ for all $x, y \in P$, then $I_r x \in P$ for all $x \in P$. Thus (P, \cdot) is a CIP-quasigroup by Definition 2.

Theorem 3. The class of all CIP-quasigroups is a variety of quasigroups.

Proof. It follows from Proposition 5 and Lemma 1.

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