

Right generalized hoops, varieties of loops and partial algebras

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Groups and quasigroups

Definition

A **quasigroup** $(A, \cdot, \backslash, /)$ is a set with 3 binary operations such that for all $x, y, z \in A$

$$xy = z \iff x = z/y \iff y = x \backslash z$$

i.e., one can solve **all equations** with no repeated variables

Quasigroups form a **variety** defined by the identities

$$(x/y)y = x = xy/y \quad \text{and} \quad y(y \backslash x) = x = y \backslash yx$$

An associative quasigroup is **term-equivalent to a group**:

$$1 = y/y \quad \text{and} \quad x^{-1} = (y/y)/x$$

Hint: $xy/z = x((y/z)z)/z = (x(y/z))z/z = x(y/z)$
hence $x = xy/y = x(y/y)$ and therefore $x \backslash x = y/y$

Residuated binars and semigroups

Definition

A **residuated binar** $(A, \leq, \cdot, \backslash, /)$ is a poset (A, \leq) with 3 binary operations such that for all $x, y, z \in A$

$$xy \leq z \iff x \leq z/y \iff y \leq x \backslash z$$

i.e., one can solve **simple inequalities**

Residuated binars are defined (relative to posets) by the **inequations**

$$(x/y)y \leq x \leq xy/y \quad \text{and} \quad y(y \backslash x) \leq x \leq y \backslash yx$$

Farulewski 2005: The universal theory of residuated binars is **decidable**

What about the universal theory of quasigroups or loops?

Definition

A **residuated semigroup** is an **associative** residuated binar

If the poset is an **antichain**, then any **residuated semigroup is a group!**
 \Rightarrow residuated semigroups are **generalizations of groups** (replace $=$ by \leq)

Residuated lattices and GBL-algebras

Definition

A **residuated lattice** $(A, \wedge, \vee, \cdot, \backslash, /, 1)$ is a residuated ℓ -monoid

i.e., a lattice (A, \wedge, \vee) and a residuated semigroup with unit

They are the algebraic semantics of **substructural logic**

The **equational theory** of residuated lattices is **decidable**

Definition

A residuated lattice is **divisible** if $x \leq y \implies x = y(y \backslash x) = (x/y)y$

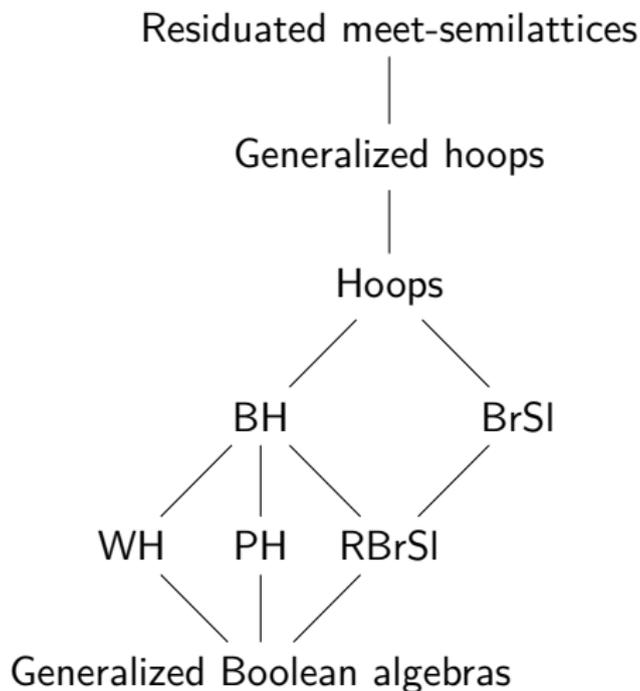
Also called a **generalized Basic Logic** algebra (GBL-algebra)

Open problem: Is the equational theory of GBL-algebras **decidable**?

GBL-algebras

- Have **distributive** lattice reducts [J. - Tsinakis 2002]
- All **finite** GBL-algebras are **commutative** and **integral** [J. - Montagna 2006]
- All **finite** GBL-algebras are **poset products** of Wajsberg chains [J. - Montagna 2009]

Some residuated meet-semilattices



Right-residuated binars

GBL-algebras fairly complicated, so consider **simpler** algebras

Definition

A **right-residuated binar** $(A, \leq, \cdot, /)$ is a poset (A, \leq) with 2 binary operations such that for all $x, y, z \in A$

$$xy \leq z \iff x \leq z/y$$

Therefore $\cdot, /$ are **order-preserving in the left argument**:

Let $x \leq y$. Then $yz \leq yz \iff y \leq yz/z \implies x \leq yz/z \iff xz \leq yz$

Similarly $x/z \leq x/z \iff (x/z)z \leq x \implies (x/z)z \leq y \iff x/z \leq y/z$

It would be nice if \leq is **definable** from the algebraic operations

Right-divisible residuated binars

Theorem

The following are equivalent in any right-residuated binar.

- (i) *For all x, y ($x \leq y \iff \exists u(x = uy)$)*
- (ii) *For all x, y ($x \leq y \iff x = (x/y)y$) (i.e. right divisibility).*
- (iii) *The identities $(y/y)x = x$ and $(y/x)x = (x/y)y$ hold.*

Proof: Easy using Prover9

Right-divisible unital residuated binar

The identities for divisibility are $(y/y)x = x$ and $(y/x)x = (x/y)y$

So y/y is a left unit, and Prover9 shows $x \leq y/y$

Hence y/y is the top element of the poset, denoted by 1

A **right-divisible unital residuated binar** is a residuated binar $(A, \leq, \cdot, 1, /)$ such that $x/x = 1$, $1x = x$ and $(y/x)x = (x/y)y$ hold

The partial order is definable by $x \leq y \iff x = (x/y)y$

Note that $(x/y)y$ is a lower bound for any pair of elements x, y and we always have $1 \leq 1/x$.

Theorem

In a right-divisible unital binar the partial order is down-directed and the identity $1/x = 1$ holds. The order is also definable by $x \leq y \iff y/x = 1$.

Right-divisible unital residuated binars

Theorem

$(A, \cdot, 1, /)$ is a right-divisible unital residuated binar if and only if it satisfies the (quasi)identities $x/x = 1$ $1x = x$

$$(y/x)x = (x/y)y$$

$$x/y = 1 \text{ and } y/z = 1 \implies x/z = 1$$

$$z/xy = 1 \iff (z/y)/x = 1$$

Note: $x \leq y$ if and only if $y/x = 1$. This is a partial order:

- **reflexive** by $x/x = 1$
- **antisymmetric** since if $x/y = 1$ and $y/x = 1$ then $x = 1x = (y/x)x = (x/y)y = 1y = y$
- **transitive** by the implication above

Open problem: Can the quasiequations be replaced by **identities**?

Open problem: Is the (quasi)equational theory **decidable**?

The right hoop identity

Adding one more identity produces an interesting sub**variety**

In the arithmetic of real numbers (or in any field) the following equation is fundamental to the **simplification of nested fractions**:

$$\frac{\frac{x}{y}}{z} = \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{x}{y} = \frac{x}{zy}$$

In a right-residuated binar this is the ***right hoop identity***:

$$(x/y)/z = x/zy$$

Consequences of the right hoop identity

Theorem

In a right divisible unital residuated binar the right hoop identity $x/yz = (x/z)/y$ implies $x(yz) = (xy)z$, $x1 = x$ and $x/1 = x$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}x(yz) &= 1(x(yz)) \quad (\text{left unital}) \\&= [(xy)z/(xy)z](x(yz)) \quad \text{since } 1 = x/x \\&= [((xy)z/z)/xy](x(yz)) \quad (\text{right hoop id.}) \\&= [(((xy)z/z)/y)/x](x(yz)) \quad (\text{right hoop id.}) \\&= [((xy)z/yz)/x](x(yz)) \quad (\text{right hoop id.}) \\&= [(xy)z/x(yz)](x(yz)) \quad (\text{right hoop id.}) \\&= [x(yz)/(xy)z]((xy)z) \quad \text{since } (y/x)x = (x/y)y \\&= \text{reverse steps to get } = (xy)z.\end{aligned}$$

Now $x \leq 1$ implies $x = (x/1)1$, hence

$$x1 = ((x/1)1)1 = (x/1)(11) = (x/1)1 = x.$$

Finally $x/1 = (x/1)1 = (1/x)x = 1x = x$. □

Right generalized hoops

Definitions

A **right generalized hoop** $(A, \cdot, 1, /)$ is defined by the identities

$$x/x = 1, \quad 1x = x, \quad (x/y)y = (y/x)x \quad \text{and} \quad x/(yz) = (x/z)/y$$

Define the **term-operation** $x \wedge y = (x/y)y$ and

a **binary relation** \leq by $x \leq y \iff x = x \wedge y$

The next theorem shows that \wedge is a **semilattice** operation

hence \leq is a **partial order** on A

Moreover, A is **right-residuated** with respect to this order

and the left-unit 1 is the **top element**

Properties of right generalized hoops

Theorem

Let A be a right generalized hoop. Then

- (i) the term $x \wedge y = (x/y)y$ is idempotent, commutative and associative,
- (ii) \leq is a partial order and \wedge is a meet operation with respect to \leq ,
- (iii) $x \leq y \iff y/x = 1$ for all $x, y \in A$,
- (iv) $xy \leq z \iff x \leq z/y$ for all $x, y, z \in A$, and
- (v) $x \leq 1$ for all $x \in A$, i.e., A is integral.

Proof.

Prover9 □

Right generalized hoops and polrims

There is a 4-element right generalized hoop s.t. \cdot is **not order-preserving in the right argument**

\cdot		0	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	1			0	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	1
0		0	0	0	0			0	1	0	0
<i>a</i>		0	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>a</i>			<i>a</i>	1	1	<i>a</i>
<i>b</i>		0	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>			<i>b</i>	1	0	<i>b</i>
1		0	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	1			1	1	1	1

Partially ordered left-residuated integral monoids (or polrims for short) are left-residuated monoids such that the monoid operation is order-preserving in both arguments

They have been studied by **van Alten [1998]** and **Blok, Raftery [1997]**

Results on **polrims** do not automatically apply to right generalized hoops

Polrims are congruence distributive, but this is open for right generalized hoops

Generalized hoops

Definition

A **generalized hoop** is an algebra $(A, \cdot, 1, \backslash, /)$ such that

- $(A, \cdot, 1, /)$ is a right generalized hoop, $(A, \cdot, 1, \backslash)$ is a left generalized hoop (defined by the mirror-image identities)
- and both these algebras have the same meet operation, i. e., the identity $(x/y)y = y(y \backslash x)$ holds

Generalized hoops were first studied by **Bosbach [1969]**

The name **hoop** was introduced by **Büchi and Owen [1975]**

Generalized hoops are also called **pseudo hoops**

By the preceding theorem, they are **left- and right-residuated**

They are polrims, hence **congruence distributive (van Alten [1998])**

Multiplication distributes over \wedge

In a residuated binar, the residuation property implies that \cdot distributes over any existing joins in each argument. However, this is not true for meets. The following result was proved by **N. Galatos** for **GBL-algebras** but already holds for **generalized hoops**.

Theorem

In any generalized hoop $(x \wedge y)z = xz \wedge yz$ and $x(y \wedge z) = xy \wedge xz$.

Proof.

From $xz \leq xz$ it follows that $x \leq xz/z$, hence $xz \leq (xz/z)z$. Likewise, from $xz/z \leq xz/z$ we deduce $(xz/z)z \leq xz$, therefore $xz = (xz/z)z$. Note that $(x \wedge y)z \leq xz \wedge yz$ always holds since \cdot is order-preserving.

Now $xz \wedge yz = (xz/yz)yz = ((xz/z)/y)yz$ (right hoop id.)

$= (y/((xz)/z))(xz/z)z$ by assoc. and divisibility

$= (y/((xz)/z))xz$ by the derived identity

$\leq (y/x)xz = (y \wedge x)z$ since $x \leq (xz)/z$. The second identity is similar. \square

Not true for right generalized hoops

In the last step we made use of the implication $x \leq y \Rightarrow z/y \leq z/x$ which holds in all residuated binars.

The preceding result requires that \cdot is **order-preserving in the right argument**

Recall the 4-element right generalized hoop from earlier

\cdot	0	a	b	1	/	0	a	b	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
a	0	a	b	a	a	1	1	0	a
b	0	a	b	b	b	1	0	1	b
1	0	a	b	1	1	1	1	1	1

$(a \wedge b)a = (a/b)ba = 0ba = 0$ while $aa \wedge ba = a \wedge a = (a/a)a = 1a = a$.

$1 = ((x/y)/(z/y))/(x/z)$ is equivalent to order-preserving on right

Finitely generated varieties of groups

A **variety** \mathcal{V} is a class of algebras determined by identities

Birkhoff 1935 (Tarski 1942): \mathcal{V} is a variety iff $\mathcal{V} = HSP(\mathcal{K})$ for some class \mathcal{K}

\mathcal{V} is a **finitely generated** variety if \mathcal{K} is a finite class of finite algebras

Varieties of groups have been studied in detail in a monograph by Hanna Neumann [1967]

The varieties generated by the finite cyclic groups \mathbb{Z}_n are all distinct and, ordered by inclusion, they form a lattice isomorphic to the divisibility lattice of the natural numbers

However the dihedral group of size 8 and the quaternion group are nonisomorphic subdirectly irreducible groups with 8 elements that generate the same variety

Finitely generated varieties of loops

All loops of size 4 or less are associative, hence are groups:

$$\mathbb{Z}_1, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_3, \mathbb{Z}_4, \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$$

For size 5 there are 5 nonassociative loops, denoted $5_1, 5_2, 5_3, 5_4, 5_5$

There are 107 nonassociative loops of size 6, denoted $6_1, 6_2, \dots, 6_{107}$, with numbering taken from the library of small loops in the GAP loops package

Fact 1: A is subdirectly irreducible iff $\text{Con}(A)$ has a unique atom

Fact 2: A variety is generated by its subdirectly irreducible members

$6_1, 6_2, \dots, 6_{107}$ are subdirectly irreducible, since the only subdirectly reducible loops of size ≤ 6 are $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ and \mathbb{Z}_6

The subdirectly irreducible groups of size ≤ 6 are $\mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_3, \mathbb{Z}_4, \mathbb{Z}_5$ and S_3
Hence there are a total of $1 + 1 + 1 + 6 + 108 = 117$ subdirectly irreducible loops of size up to 6

Use the Universal Algebra Calculator (uacalc.org) and a Sage package to check $A \in HSP(B)$ for all distinct pairs of loops in this list

UACalc finds a minimal size generating set X for the loop A , then uses a subpower algorithm to calculate the free algebra in $HSP(B)$ on $n = |X|$ generators

Simultaneously attempts to extend a bijection between the n generators and the set X to a homomorphism from the free algebra to A .

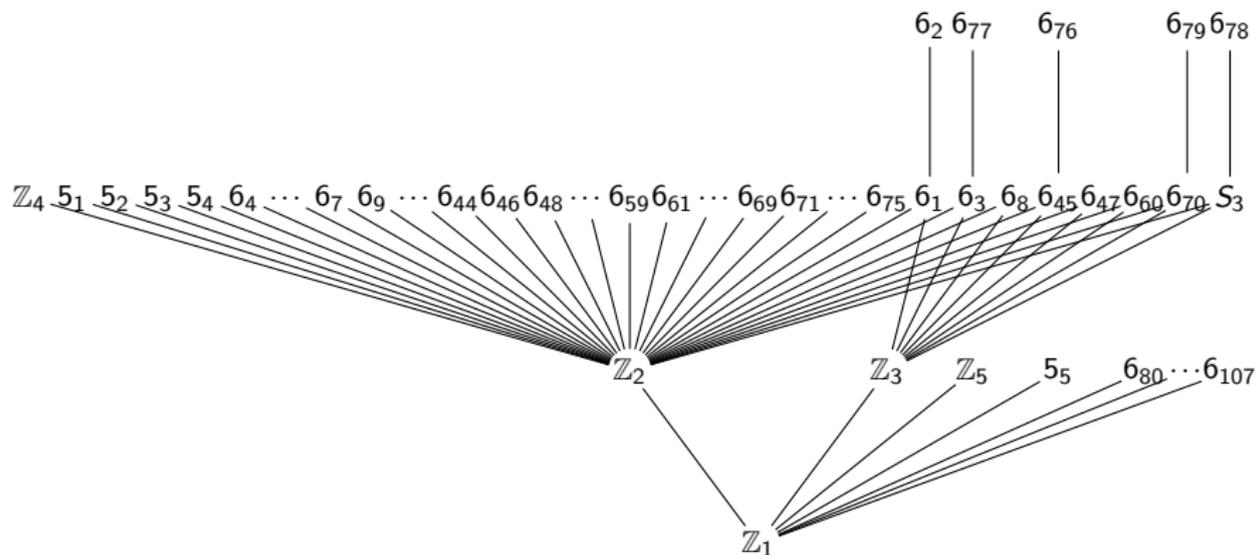
If such a homomorphism is found, the relation holds, and if not, then the Universal Algebra Calculator reports the first equation that it found which holds in B but fails in A .

$A \in HSP(B)$ is equivalent to $HSP(A) \subseteq HSP(B)$

\Rightarrow **HSP-poset** of varieties generated by a subdirectly irreducible algebra

A **minimal variety** is a cover of the variety of one-element algebras

Finitely generated varieties of loops



Finitely generated varieties of loops

The nonassociative 5-element loops (omitting the identity 1):

5_1		2	3	4	5	5_2		2	3	4	5	5_3		2	3	4	5	5_4		2	3	4	5	5_5		2	3	4	5	
2		1	4	5	3	2		1	4	5	3	2		1	4	5	3	2		1	4	5	3	2		3	1	5	4	
3		4	5	1	2	3		4	5	2	1	3		5	1	2	4	3		5	2	1	4	3		4	5	1	2	
4		5	2	3	1	4		5	1	3	2	4		3	5	1	2	4		3	5	2	1	4		4	5	2	3	1
5		3	1	2	4	5		3	2	1	4	5		4	2	3	1	5		4	1	3	2	5		5	1	4	2	3

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$ is a subgroup of the first 4 loops, but not of the last one

Problem (open?): Axiomatize the 5 varieties generated by these loops

Find all subvarieties of these varieties (are there any generated by a larger loop?)

Finitely generated varieties of loops

Two loops that generate comparable varieties (highlighting the differences)

\mathfrak{G}_1	2	3	4	5	6		\mathfrak{G}_2	2	3	4	5	6
2	1	4	3	6	5		2	1	4	3	6	5
3	4	5	6	1	2		3	4	5	6	1	2
4	3	6	5	2	1	\leq	4	3	6	5	2	1
5	6	1	2	4	3		5	6	2	1	3	4
6	5	2	1	3	4		6	5	1	2	4	3

Problem: Does $\text{HSP}(\mathfrak{G}_2)$ cover $\text{HSP}(\mathfrak{G}_1)$?

Are there nonisomorphic loops of size 7 that generate the same variety?

Partial algebras

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