

THE GEOMETRY OF COMMUTATIVE SYMMETRIC LOOPS

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The aim of this paper is to show the connection existing between a commutative symmetric loop and an euclidean space.

Let $Q(o)$ be a locally analytic loop (Mal'cev 1955) with mappings $S: x \leftarrow x^{-1}$ and $R: x \rightarrow xox$, where x^{-1} is the right inverse of x , $x \in Q$ and the operation (o) is introduced locally. We define $L_x y = xoy$

Definition 1

A locally analytic loop $Q(o)$ is called a symmetric loop (Karanda 1972, 1975) if for all $x, y \in Q$, the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (a) $S(xoy) = SxoSy$, that is, S is an automorphism.
- (b) $S^2 = \text{id}$, that is, S is involutive
- (c) $S\ell(x,y) = \ell(x,y)S$, that is, S commutes with

$$\ell(x,y) = L_{(xoy)}^{-1} L_x L_y \quad \in \alpha S_\ell Q$$

- (d) $xo(Sxoy) = y$ or $L_x^{-1} = L_x^{-1} = L_{Sx}$, that is, the loop $Q(o)$ has the left inverse property.
- (e) $xo(xoy) = (xox)oy$ or $L_x^2 = L_x^2 = L_{Rx}$, that is, the loop $Q(o)$ is left alternative.
- (f) The mapping R is locally a bijection.

Definition 2

A quasigroup $Q(*)$ with the identity

$$(x*y) * (u*v) = (x*u) * (y*v)$$

is called a medial quasigroup, (Beloasov 1969).

Definition 3

A symmetric space (Karanda, 1972, 1975) is a manifold Q with a differential mapping, $\mu: Q \times (Q \rightarrow Q)$, defined as $\mu(x,y) = x.y = S_x y$

and properties :

1. $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot z)$
2. $x \cdot (x \cdot y) = y$
3. $x \cdot x = x$
4. Every point x has a neighbourhood $U_x: x \cdot y = y$ implies that $y = x$ for all y in U_x .

It is now easy to show the following lemma :

Lemma I

A medial Loos quasigroup $Q(\cdot)$ is abelian.

Note that if $Q(o)$ is a medial symmetric loop, then the mapping R is an automorphism of $Q(o)$ and $Q(o)$ is associative. That is, let $x = y$ and $v = u$ in (1). Then $(xox) \circ (uou) = (xou) \circ (xou)$.

By the properties of the symmetric loop, it follows that

$$RxoRu = R(xou)$$

and R is an automorphism of $Q(o)$.

And if $u = e$ in (1), then

$$(xoy) \circ v = xo(yov),$$

and thus $Q(o)$ is associative.

Theorem 2

A symmetric loop $Q(o)$ with either the mapping R as an automorphism or the associative law is commutative.

Proof

Let R be an automorphism. Then by the properties of $Q(o)$, it follows that

$$(RxoRy) \circ z = xo(Ryo(xoz))$$

Let $z = e$, then

$$RxoRy = xo(Ryox)$$

But $Q(o)$ is left alternative, therefore

$$xo(xoRy) = xo(Ryox).$$

By the left cancellation law, it follows that

$$xoRy = Ryox,$$

and $Q(o)$ is commutative.

$Q(o)$ with the associate law is a group and for all $x, y \in Q$

$$S(xoy) = SxoSy.$$

But $Q(o)$ as a symmetric loop has the property

$$S(xoy) = SxoSy.$$

Thus $Q(o)$ is a commutative group.

Theorem 3

A commutative symmetric loop $Q(o)$ is an euclian space (locally).

Proof

$Q(o)$ is an analytic loop and by the Taylor's formula

$$(xoy)^i = f^i(x,y) = x^i + y^i + a_{\alpha\beta}^i x^\alpha y^\beta + g_{\alpha\beta k}^i x^\alpha x^\beta y^k + h_{\alpha\beta k}^i x^\alpha y^\beta y^k$$

it follows that, $[x,y]^i = (xoy)^i - (yox)^i = 0$

That is, the structure constants $C_{\alpha\beta}^i$ are equal to zero and the curvature tensor of the space $Q(o)$ vanishes.

Theorem 4

A medial symmetric loop $Q(o)$ with isotopy $xoy = R^{-1}x.Sy$ is an abelian Loos quasigroup $Q(.)$

Proof

By the given isotopy the medial identity can be changed into

$$S_R^{-1}(R^{-1}x.Sy) S_R^{-1}Su = S_R^{-1}(R^{-1}x.Su) S_R^{-1}Sy \quad (2)$$

Let $R^{-1}x = Sy = z$, then $S_R^{-1}z S_R^{-1}Su S_R^{-1}z = S_R^{-1}(z.Su)$

Inserting this into (2) we have

$$S_R^{-1}Sy S_R^{-1}(R^{-1}x) S_R^{-1}Su = S_R^{-1}Su S_R^{-1}(R^{-1}x) S_R^{-1}Sy$$

If

$$R^{-1}(R^{-1}x) = a, R^{-1}Sy = b, R^{-1}Su = c$$

then $Q(.)$ is abelian, $S_b S_a S_c = S_c S_a S_b$

Theorem 5

(3)

A medial Loos quasigroup $Q(.)$ with isotopy $x.y = RxoSy$ is a commutative symmetric loop.

Proof

By our isotopy, (3) can be written as

$$\text{RboS}(\text{RaoS}(\text{RcoSd})) = \text{RcoS}(\text{RaoS}(\text{RboSd})).$$

If $\text{Rb} = \text{Sd} = e$, then $\text{SRaoRc} = \text{RcoSRa}$, that is $Q(o)$ is a commutative symmetric loop.

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