

FREE COMMUTATIVE  $(2m, m)$ -GROUPS

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Abstract. A commutative  $(2m, m)$ -group is a pair  $(G, [ \ ])$  where  $G$  is a nonempty set and  $[ \ ]: G^{2m} \rightarrow G^m$  is a  $(2m, m)$ -operation on  $G$ , such that  $G^m$  with the operation  $x \circ y = [xy]$  is a commutative group, and for each  $x \in G^i$ ,  $y \in G^{2m-i}$ ,  $z \in G^i$  and  $v \in G^{m-i}$ ,  $[[xy]zv] = [x[yz]v]$ . In this paper we give a combinatorial description of free commutative  $(2m, m)$ -groups (for  $m \geq 2$ ), inspired by the characterization of the commutative  $(2m, m)$ -groups as algebras with one  $(2m, m)$ -operation, one unary and one nullary operation.

1. Introduction

Let  $m \geq 1$  and let  $G \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $[ \ ]: G^{2m} \rightarrow G^m$  be a map satisfying the following two conditions:

$$[x_1^i [x_{i+1}^{2m+i}] x_{2m+i+1}^{3m}] = [[x_1^{2m}] x_{2m+1}^{3m}], \text{ for each } i \in \mathbb{N}_m; \quad (1.1)$$

for each  $a, b \in G^m$ , there exist  $x, y \in G^m$ , such that

$$[ax] = b = [ya]. \quad (1.2)$$

Then, the pair  $(G; [ \ ])$  is called a  $(2m, m)$ -group  $([ \ ])$ . Above,  $G^m$  denotes the  $m$ -th Cartesian power of  $G$ ,  $(x_1^t)$  denotes the vector  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_t) \in G^m$ ,  $[x_1^{2m}]$  denotes the image of  $(x_1^{2m})$  under the map  $[ \ ]$ ,  $a \in G^t$  denotes a vector from  $G^t$ , and  $\mathbb{N}_t$  denotes the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, t\}$ .

Let  $(G; [ \ ])$  be a  $(2m, m)$ -group. Then  $(G^m, \circ)$ , where  $a \circ b = [ab]$ , is a group with a neutral element  $e = (e^m) = (e, e, \dots, e) \in G^m$  ([Č.D]). We say that a  $(2m, m)$ -group is commutative, if the associated group  $(G, \circ)$  is commutative. Note, that for  $m=1$ , the notions of a  $(2, 1)$ -group and a commutative  $(2, 1)$ -group coincide with the usual notions of a group and a commutative group. So, from now on we assume that  $m \geq 2$ .

In this paper we give a combinatorial description of free commutative  $(2m, m)$ -groups, inspired by the following characterization of commutative  $(2m, m)$ -groups.

Proposition 1.1. Let  $G \neq 0$  and  $[ ] : G^{2m} \rightarrow G^m$ . Then,  $(G; [ ])$  is a commutative  $(2m, m)$ -group if and only if there exist  $g : G \rightarrow G$  and  $e \in G$  such that:

- (a)  $[[xy]z] = [x[yz]]$  for every  $x, y, z \in G^m$ ;
- (b)  $[xey] = xy$  for each  $xy \in G^m$ , where  $e = (e^m) \in G^m$ ;
- (c)  $[x^m(g(x))^m] = e$ , for each  $x \in G$ , where  $(x^m) = (x, x, \dots, x) \in G^m$ ;
- (d)  $[xayubv] = [xbyuav]$  for each  $xy, uv, xv \in G^{m-1}$ ,  $a, b \in G$ ;
- (e)  $[xyuv] = wz \iff [yxvu] = zw$ , for each  $xy, uv, wz, xv, xz \in G^m$ .

Proof. Conditions (a), (b) and (e) imply that  $[ ]$  satisfies the associativity condition (1.1), and then, the rest of the proof follows from Propositions 1.1., 1.3, and 1.4 from [D, I].  $\diamond$

We will use the following notions, conventions and notations.

Let  $A$  be a nonempty set.

By  $A^+$  we will denote the free, and by  $A^{(+)}$  the free commutative semigroup generated by  $A$ . For a positive integer  $p$ , we can identify the  $p$ -th Cartesian power  $A^p$  with the subset  $\{a_1 a_2 \dots a_p \mid a_i \in A\}$ , of  $A^+$ , and instead of writing  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p)$  for a vector from  $A^p$ , we will use the notations  $a_1^p$  and  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_p$ . (Here  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_p$  denotes the product of  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$  in  $A^+$ .) For a positive integer  $p$ , let  $A^{(p)}$  be the subset  $\{a_1 a_2 \dots a_p \mid a_i \in A\}$  of  $A^{(+)}$ , where  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_p$  is the product of  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$  in  $A^{(+)}$ . As above, we will use the notation  $a_1^p$  instead of  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_p$ , keeping in mind that  $a_1^p = b_1^p$  in  $A^{(p)}$ , for  $a_i, b_i \in A$  if and only if  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_p$  is a permutation of  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$ .

## 2. A combinatorial description of free commutative $(2m, m)$ -groups

Let  $A$  be an arbitrary set. We will construct a free commutative  $(2m, m)$ -group  $(Q; [ ])$  with a basis  $A$ .

For every  $a \in A$  let  $a'$  be a new element, such that, for  $A' = \{a' \mid a \in A\}$  the map  $f: A \rightarrow A'$ , defined by  $f(a) = a'$ , is a bijection and  $A \cap A' = \emptyset$ . Let  $e$  be an element not in  $A \cup A'$ , i.e.  $e \notin A \cup A'$ , and let  $B = \{e\} \cup A \cup A'$ .

We define a sequence of sets  $B_0, B_1, \dots, B_\alpha, \dots$  by induction on  $\alpha$ , as follows. Let  $B_0 = B$ . Suppose that  $B_\alpha$  is defined, and then define  $B_{\alpha+1}$  by

$$B_{\alpha+1} = B_\alpha \cup \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \mid x_i \in B_\alpha^{(n)}, n \geq 2\}. \quad (2.1)$$

Now, let  $D = \bigcup_{\alpha \geq 1} B_\alpha$ .

Remark. By definition,  $u \in D$  if and only if  $u \in B_0$ , or  $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ , where  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \in B_\alpha^{(n)}$  for some  $n \geq 2$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$ . Moreover, if  $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$  and  $v = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$ , where  $x_i \in B_\alpha^{(n)}$  and  $y_i \in B_\beta^{(k)}$ , then  $u = v$  if and only if  $n = k$  and there is a  $\gamma \geq \alpha, \beta$  such that  $x_i = y_i$  in  $B_\gamma^{(n)}$ .

Let  $|\cdot|: D \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be the map defined by induction on  $\alpha$  as follows:

- (i)  $|b| = 1$ , for  $b \in B_0$ ;
- (ii)  $|x| = |u_1| + |u_2| + \dots + |u_n|$  for  $x = u_1^n \in D^{(n)}$ ; and
- (iii)  $|u| = |x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_m|$  for  $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \in D$ .

We say that  $|u|$  is a length of  $u$ .

Next, by induction on the length, we define a map  $\phi: D \rightarrow D$ , called reduction, as follows:

- (a)  $\phi(b) = b$  for  $b \in B_0$ ;
- (b) Suppose that for each  $u \in D$  with  $|u| < t$ ,  $\phi$  is well defined,

$$\phi(u) \neq u \iff |\phi(u)| < |u|, \text{ and} \quad (2.2)$$

$$\phi^2(u) = \phi(u). \quad (2.3)$$

(c) Next, let  $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \in D$  with  $|u| = t$ , where for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $x_i \in D^{(n)}$  for some  $n \geq 2$ . We define  $\phi(u)$  by the first possible application of one of the following steps:

(I) If there is  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ , such that  $x_i = zx$  and  $\phi(x) \neq x$ , where  $z \in D^{(n-1)}$  and  $x \in D$ , then  $\phi(u) = \phi(\phi_1(x_1), \dots, \phi_1(x_m))$ , where  $\phi_1(y_1^t)$  denotes the element  $\phi(y_1) \dots \phi(y_t)$  in  $D^{(t)}$ , for  $y_1^t \in D^{(t)}$ .

(II) If for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $x_i = z_i \pi_i(v)$  for some  $v = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$  in  $D$  and some  $z_i \in E^{(n-1)}$ , then  $\phi(u) = \phi(z_1 y_1, z_2 y_2, \dots, z_m y_m)$ , where  $\pi_i(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m) = (y_i, y_{i+1}, \dots, y_m, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{i-1}) \in D$ .

Remark. Although  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$  does not belong to  $D$  for  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \in D$ , sometimes we will denote  $\phi(x_i)$  by  $\phi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ .

(III) If for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $x_i = z_i e$ , then  $\phi(u) = \phi(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_m)$ .

(IV) If for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $x_i = z_i a a'$  for some  $a \in A$ , then  $\phi(u) = \phi(z_1 e, z_2 e, \dots, z_m e)$ . (V)  $\phi(u) = u$ .

The following three propositions, whose proofs will be given later, show that the map  $\phi$  is well defined and give several of its properties which will be used in the proof of the main theorem.

Proposition 2.1. (a) The map  $\phi$  is well defined and satisfies the conditions (2.2) and (2.3).

(b) For every  $b \in B$ ,  $\phi(b) = b$ . (2.4)

(c) For every  $u \in D$ ,  $\phi(u) \leq |u| \cdot \phi$ . (2.5)

Proposition 2.2. Let  $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \in D$ , and  $x_i = z_i t_i$ . Then:

(a)  $\phi(u) = \phi(\phi_1(x_1), \phi_1(x_2), \dots, \phi_1(x_m))$ . (2.6)

(b)  $\phi(u) = \phi(z_1 \phi_1(t_1), z_2 \phi_1(t_2), \dots, z_m \phi_1(t_m))$ .  $\diamond$  (2.7)

Proposition 2.3. For every  $z_i \in D^{(n)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $v = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$ ,  $y_i \in D^{(k)}$ ,  $k \geq 2$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $a \in A$ :

(a)  $\phi(z_1 \pi_1(v), \dots, z_m \pi_m(v)) = \phi(z_1 y_1, \dots, z_m y_m)$ . (2.8)

(b)  $\phi(z_1 e, \dots, z_m e) = \phi(z_1, \dots, z_m)$ . (2.9)

(c)  $\phi(z_1 a a', \dots, z_m a a') = \phi(z_1 e, \dots, z_m e)$ .  $\diamond$  (2.10)

Let  $Q = \phi(D)$ . The condition (2.3) implies that  $Q = \{u \in D \mid \phi(u) = u\}$ . We define a  $(2m, m)$ -operation  $[ ] : Q^{2m} \rightarrow Q^m$  by:

$$[u_1^{2m}]_i = \phi(\pi_i(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, u_m u_{2m})), \text{ for } i \in \mathbb{N}_m, \quad (2.11)$$

where  $[ ]_i$  is the  $i$ -th component operation of  $[ ]$ , i.e.

$$[x_1^{2m}] = y_1^m \iff [x_1^{2m}]_i = y_1^m \text{ for each } i \in \mathbb{N}_m.$$

The following theorem is the main result of the paper.

**Theorem 2.4.**  $(Q, [ ])$  is a free commutative  $(2m, m)$ -group with a basis  $A$ .

**Proof.** (A) The definition of  $[ ]$  and the fact that  $uv=vu$  in  $D^{(+)}$  for  $u, v \in D$ , imply that:  $[xy]=[yx]$  for  $x, y \in D^m$ , i.e.  $(Q, \circ)$  is a commutative groupoid; and condition (d) of Proposition 1.1. holds.

(B) Let  $u_1^{3m} \in Q^{3m}$  and  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ . Then, the definition of  $[ ]$  and conditions (2.7) and (2.8) imply that:  $[[u_1^{2m}u_{2m+1}^{3m}]_i = [\pi_1(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, u_m u_{2m}) \dots \pi_m(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, u_m u_{2m}) u_{2m+1}^{3m}]_i = \phi(\pi_i(\pi_1(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, u_m u_{2m}) u_{2m+1}, \dots, \pi_m(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, u_m u_{2m}) u_{3m})) = \phi(\pi_i(u_1 u_{m+1} u_{2m+1}, u_2 u_{m+2} u_{2m+2}, \dots, u_m u_{2m} u_{3m})) = \phi(\pi_i(u_1, \pi_1(u_{m+1} u_{2m+1}, \dots, u_{2m} u_{3m}), \dots, u_m \pi_m(u_{m+1} u_{2m+1}, \dots, u_{2m} u_{3m}))) = [u_1^m [u_{m+1}^{3m}]]_i$ .

(C) Let  $u_1^m \in Q^m$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}_{m+1}$ . Then (A) and (2.9) imply that  $[u_1^{j-1} e^m u_j^m]_i = [u_1^m e^m]_i = \phi(\pi_i(u_1 e, u_2 e, \dots, u_m e)) = u_i$ .

(D) Let  $u_1^{2m} \in Q^{2m}$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}_m$  and  $[u_1^{2m}] = z_1^m$ . Then,  $z_{j+1}^m z_1^j [e^{m-j} z_1^m e^j]$  implies that  $z_{j+1} = [e^{m-j} z_1^m e^j]_1$ . Moreover,  $z_{j+1} = [e^{m-j} [u_1^{2m}] e^j]_1 = [e^{m-j} \phi(\pi_1(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, u_m u_{2m})) \dots \phi(\pi_m(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, \dots, u_m u_{2m})) e^j]_1 = \phi(\pi_{j+1}(u_1 u_{m+1}, \dots, u_m u_{2m})) = [u_{j+1}^m u_1^j u_{m+j+1}^{2m} u_{m+1}^{m+j}]_1$ , i.e.  $z_{j+1}^m z_1^j = [u_{j+1}^m u_1^j u_{m+j+1}^{2m} u_{m+1}^{m+j}]$ .

(E) We will define by induction on the length, a mapping  $g: Q \rightarrow Q$  such that  $[u^m(g(u))^m] = e^m$  for every  $u \in Q$ .

Let  $g(e)=e$ ,  $g(a)=a'$ , and  $g(a')=a$ . Suppose that for every  $v \in Q$  such that  $|v| < |u|$ ,  $g(v)$  is defined and  $[v^m(g(v))^m]=e^m$ . Let  $u=(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ . Then for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $x_i = x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_n} = z_i y_i \in Q^{(n)}$  for some  $n \geq 2$ . We will put  $G(x_1^m) = g(x_{1_1}) \dots g(x_{1_n}) g(x_{2_1}) \dots g(x_{m_n})$  and

$$g(u) = \phi(\pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m), \dots, \pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m)). \quad (2.12)$$

Then, the definition of  $[ \ ]$ , conditions (2.7), (2.8), (2.9), the inductive hypothesis and the fact that  $u = \pi_1(u)$  imply that

$$\begin{aligned} [u^m(g(u))^m]_i &= [u^m(\phi(\pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m), \dots, \pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m)))^m]_i = \\ &= \phi(\pi_i(u \phi(\pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m), \dots, \pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m)), \dots, u \phi(\pi_2(u) \dots \\ &\dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m), \dots, \pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m))) = \phi(u \pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m), \dots, \\ &\dots, u \pi_2(u) \dots \pi_m(u) G(x_1^m)) = \phi(x_1^m G(x_1^m), \dots, x_1^m G(x_1^m)) = \\ &= \phi(x_1^{m-1} z_m G(x_1^{m-1} z_m) y_m g(y_m), \dots, x_1^{m-1} z_m G(x_1^{m-1} z_m) y_m g(y_m)) = \\ &= \phi(x_1^{m-1} z_m G(x_1^{m-1} z_m), \dots, x_1^{m-1} z_m G(x_1^{m-1} z_m)) = \dots = e. \end{aligned}$$

Now, the steps (A)-(E) imply that  $(Q; [ \ ])$  is a commutative  $(2m, m)$ -group.

(F) Since,  $\phi(b)=b$  for every  $b \in B$  and  $A \subset B$  it follows that  $A \subset Q$ . Let  $u=(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$  be an element of  $Q$ , with  $x_i = x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_n}$ ,  $x_{i_j} \in \langle A \rangle$ , for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}_n$ , where  $\langle A \rangle$  denotes the  $(2m, m)$ -subgroup of  $(Q; [ \ ])$  generated by  $A$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} [x_{1_1} x_{2_1} \dots x_{m_1} x_{1_2} x_{2_2} \dots x_{m_2} \dots x_{1_n} x_{2_n} \dots x_{m_n}] &= v_1^m \in \langle A \rangle \text{ and} \\ a_i = \phi(\pi_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)) &\text{ imply that } \phi(u) \in \langle A \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $u = \phi(u)$ , it follows that  $u \in \langle A \rangle$ . Hence,  $Q = \langle A \rangle$ .

(G) Let  $(P; [ \ ])$  be a commutative  $(2m, m)$ -group, and  $h: A \rightarrow P$  be a given map. We denote by  $\lambda: B \rightarrow P$  the map defined by:

$$\lambda(a) = h(a), \text{ for every } a \in A,$$

$$\lambda(e) = f, \text{ where } f \text{ is the neutral element of } (P; [ \ ]),$$

$\lambda(a') = \psi(\lambda(a))$ , where  $\psi: P \rightarrow P$  is the bijection with the property  $[x^m(\psi(x))^m] = f^m$ , for every  $x \in P$ .

Let  $\xi: Q \rightarrow P$  be defined, inductively, by:

$\xi(b) = \lambda(b)$ , for every  $b \in B$ ,

$$\xi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = [\xi(x_{11})\xi(x_{21}) \dots \xi(x_{m1}) \dots \xi(x_{1n})\xi(x_{2n}) \dots \dots \xi(x_{mn})]_1,$$

where  $x_i = x_{i1} \dots x_{in}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ .

Let  $\eta: D \rightarrow P$  be the map  $\xi \circ \phi$ . It is obvious that,  $\eta$  is extension of  $\lambda$ . By induction on the length, using the definition and the properties of the reduction  $\phi$ , and the properties of commutative  $(2m, m)$ -groups, it is easy to show that

$$\eta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = [\xi(x_{11})\xi(x_{21}) \dots \xi(x_{m1}) \dots \xi(x_{1n})\xi(x_{2n}) \dots \dots \xi(x_{mn})]_1 \quad (2.13)$$

for every  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \in D$  with  $x_i = x_{i1} x_{i2} \dots x_{in}$ ,  $x_{ij} \in Q$ , for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}_n$ . This implies that  $\xi$  is a  $(2m, m)$ -homomorphism from  $(Q; [ \ ])$  into  $(P; [ \ ])$ .  $\diamond$

### 3. Proofs of Proposition 2.1, 2.2, 2.3

Proof of Proposition 2.1. (a) In (1)-(4) the right hand sides have a form  $\phi(v)$  where  $|v| < t$  and by the inductive hypothesis  $\phi(v)$  is well defined, which imply that  $\phi(u)$  is well defined. By the inductive hypothesis  $|\phi(v)| \leq |v|$ ,  $\phi^2(v) = \phi(v)$ , and so  $|\phi(u)| < |u|$  and  $\phi^2(u) = \phi(u)$ .

(b) It follows directly from the definition.

(c) Follows from (a).  $\diamond$

Proof of Proposition 2.2. (a) If  $\phi_1(x_i) = x_i$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ , the conclusion is obvious. If there is  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ , such that  $x_i = zx$  and  $\phi(x) \neq x$ , then (a) follows directly from (I).

(b) Follows directly from (a) and the condition (2.3).  $\diamond$

Proof of Proposition 2.3. The proof is given via the following four lemmas, whose proofs are by induction on the length.

Lemma 3.1. If  $u=(x_1\pi_1(v), x_2\pi_2(v), \dots, x_m\pi_m(v))$  and  $\phi(v)=v$ , where  $x_i \in D^{(n)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $v=(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$ ,  $y_i \in D^{(k)}$ ,  $k \geq 2$ , for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ , then

$$\phi(u) = \phi(x_1y_1, x_2y_2, \dots, x_my_m).$$

Proof. (A) If (I) is applicable on  $u$  then  $(\phi_1(x_1), \phi_1(x_2), \dots, \dots, \phi_1(x_m)) \neq (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ , and the conclusion follows from (I), the fact that  $\phi(v)=v$  and the inductive hypothesis.

(B) Let  $(\phi_1(x_1), \phi_1(x_2), \dots, \phi_1(x_m)) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ . Then (II) is applicable on  $u$  and the conclusion follows from (II).  $\diamond$

Remark. If (II) is applicable on an element  $u=(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ , we write  $u \neq (\phi_2(x_1), \phi_2(x_2), \dots, \phi_2(x_m))$ , where  $(\phi_2(x_1), \phi_2(x_2), \dots, \dots, \phi_2(x_m))$  denotes the element obtained from  $u$  by one application of (II).

Lemma 3.2. If  $u=(x_1e, x_2e, \dots, x_me)$ ,  $x_i \in D^{(n)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ , then

$$\phi(u) = \phi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m).$$

Proof. (A) If (I) is applicable on  $u$ , then  $(\phi_1(x_1), \phi_1(x_2), \dots, \dots, \phi_1(x_m)) \neq (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ , and the conclusion follows from (I), the condition (2.4) and the inductive hypothesis.

(B) Let  $(\phi_1(x_1), \phi_1(x_2), \dots, \phi_1(x_m)) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ . If (II) is applicable on  $u$ , then  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \neq (\phi_2(x_1), \phi_2(x_2), \dots, \phi_2(x_m))$ , and the conclusion follows from (II) and the inductive hypothesis.

(C) Let  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = (\phi_2(x_1), \phi_2(x_2), \dots, \phi_2(x_m))$ . Then (III) is applicable on  $u$ , and the conclusion follows from (III).  $\diamond$

Remark. If (III) is applicable on  $u=(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ , we write  $u \neq (\phi_3(x_1), \phi_3(x_2), \dots, \phi_3(x_m))$ , where  $(\phi_3(x_1), \phi_3(x_2), \dots, \phi_3(x_m))$  is only a notation for the element obtained from  $u$  by one application of (III).

Lemma 3.3. If  $u=(x_1aa', x_2aa', \dots, x_maa')$ , then  $\phi(u) = \phi(x_1e, x_2e, \dots, x_me)$ .



Proof. (A) If (I) is applicable on  $u$ , then  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \neq (\phi_1(x_1), \phi_1(x_2), \dots, \phi_m(x_m))$ , and the conclusion follows from (I), the condition (2.4) and the inductive hypothesis.

(B) Let  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = (\phi_1(x_1), \phi_1(x_2), \dots, \phi_1(x_m))$ . If (II) or (III) is applicable on  $u$ , then,  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \neq (\phi_j(x_1), \phi_j(x_2), \dots, \phi_j(x_m))$ ,  $j \in \{2, 3\}$ , and the conclusion follows from Lemma 3. (j-1), and the inductive hypothesis.

(C) Let  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = (\phi_j(x_1), \phi_j(x_2), \dots, \phi_j(x_m))$ . Then (IV) is applicable on  $u$ , and the conclusion follows directly from (IV).  $\diamond$

Remark. If (IV) is applicable on  $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ , we write  $u \neq (\phi_4(x_1), \phi_4(x_2), \dots, \phi_4(x_m))$ , where  $(\phi_4(x_1), \phi_4(x_2), \dots, \phi_4(x_m))$  is only a notation for the element obtained from  $u$  by one application of (IV).

Lemma 3.4. If  $u = (x_1 \pi_1(v), x_2 \pi_2(v), \dots, x_m \pi_m(v))$ ,  $x_i \in D^n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $v = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$ ,  $y_i \in D^{(k)}$ ,  $k \geq 2$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}_m$ , then

$$\phi(u) = \phi(x_1 y_1, x_2 y_2, \dots, x_m y_m).$$

Proof. (A) If  $\phi(v) = v$ , then conclusion follows directly from Lemma 3.1.

(B) If  $\phi(v) \neq v$ , then  $v \neq (\phi_j(y_1), \phi_j(y_2), \dots, \phi_j(y_m))$ , for some  $j \in \mathbb{N}_4$ .

(B.1) For  $j=1$ , Proposition 2.2 and the inductive hypothesis imply that

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(u) &= \phi(x_1 \phi(\pi_1(v)), x_2 \phi(\pi_2(v)), \dots, x_m \phi(\pi_m(v))) = \\ &= \phi(x_1 \phi_1(y_1), x_2 \phi_1(y_2), \dots, x_m \phi_1(y_m)) = \phi(x_1 y_1, x_2 y_2, \dots, x_m y_m). \end{aligned}$$

(B.2) If (I) is not applicable on  $u$ , then  $j \in \{2, 3, 4\}$  and, similarly to case (B.1), the conclusion follows from Proposition 2.2, Lemma 2.(j-1), and the inductive hypothesis.  $\diamond$

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СЛОБОДНИ КОМУТАТИВНИ  $(2m,m)$ -ГРУПИ

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## Р е з и м е

Комулативна  $(2m,m)$ -група е пар  $(G, [ \ ])$  каде што  $G$  е непразно множество, а  $[ \ ]: G^{2m} \rightarrow G^m$  е  $(2m,m)$ -операција на  $G$ , така што  $G^m$  со операцијата  $x \circ y = [xy]$  е комулативна група, и за секој  $x \in G^i$ ,  $y \in G^{2m-i}$ ,  $z \in G^1$  и  $v \in G^{m-i}$ , важи  $[[xy]zv] = [x[yz]v]$ .

Во оваа работа даваме комбинаторен опис на слободни комулативни  $(2m,m)$ -групи (за  $m \geq 2$ ), инспириран од карактеризацијата на комулативните  $(2m,m)$ -групи како алгебри со една  $(2m,m)$ -операција, една унарна и една нуларна операција.