

## ALMOST TRIVIAL GROUPOIDS

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Berglund and Mislove defined semigroups with almost trivial multiplications and proved that such a semigroup belongs to one of five well known semigroup classes (see [1]). In a similar way, without associativity condition, we defined almost trivial groupoids and proved Th 1 analogous to Th 1 of [1].

Using this result, we solved generalized associativity equation on almost trivial groupoids. As an example we obtained 1344 solutions of generalized associativity equation on two-element groupoids.

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1. If groupoid  $(S, \cdot)$  (or simply  $\cdot$ ) is given, then functions

$$\lambda_x, \rho_y: S \rightarrow S \quad (x, y \in S),$$

defined by:

$$\lambda_x y = \rho_y x = xy$$

are respectively left and right translations of  $(S, \cdot)$ .

In [1], semigroup with almost trivial multiplications is defined as a semigroup whose translations are either surjections or constant.

Almost trivial groupoids (ATG) we define as groupoids with translations which are either permutations or constant.

LEMMA 1.1. *Any isotope of ATG is also an ATG.*

PROOF: Let  $(S, \cdot)$  be an ATG and  $x * y = \varphi^{-1}(\alpha x \cdot \beta y)$  where  $\alpha, \beta, \varphi: T \rightarrow S$  are bijections.

Let  $\lambda'(\rho')$  be left (right) translations of  $(T, *)$ .

Then for all  $a \in T$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_a'x &= a * x = \varphi^{-1}(\alpha a \cdot \beta x) = \varphi^{-1}\lambda_{\alpha a}\beta x \\ \rho_a'x &= x * a = \varphi^{-1}(\alpha x \cdot \beta a) = \varphi^{-1}\rho_{\beta a}\alpha x\end{aligned}$$

so  $\lambda_a'$  and  $\rho_a'$  are also either permutations or constant functions on  $T$  and consequently  $(T, *)$  is also an ATG.

DEFINITION.  $(S, \cdot)$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(p, q, r)$  iff:

- $px = r$
  - $xq = r$
  - for all  $a, b \in S(a \neq p)$ , equation  $ax = b$  has the unique solution
  - for all  $a, b \in S(a \neq q)$ , equation  $xa = b$  has the unique solution.
- $(S, \cdot)$  is a left (right) groupoid iff:

$$xy = \varphi x \quad (xy = \varphi y)$$

where  $\varphi$  is a permutation of  $S$ .

LEMMA 1.2. *Left (right) groupoid  $xy = \varphi x$  ( $xy = \varphi y$ ) is a semigroup iff  $\varphi = \varepsilon$ .*

PROOF: If  $xy = \varphi x$  is associative, then

$$\varphi\varphi x = \varphi(xy) = xy \cdot z = x \cdot yz = \varphi x$$

and  $\varphi = \varepsilon$ . The converse is trivial.

It is clear that a quasigroup with quasizero is not a quasigroup. If  $p = q = r$  (i.e.  $r$  is zero),  $S$  is a quasigroup with zero. Both these notions are generalizations of well known notion of group with zero (see [2]).

THEOREM 1. *Any ATG is one of:*

- $(S_0)$  zero-semigroup
- $(S_L)$  left groupoid
- $(S_R)$  right groupoid
- $(Q)$  quasigroup
- $(Q_p)$  quasigroup with quasizero.

PROOF: It is easy to see that all groupoids we mention, are ATG.

To prove the converse, we define:

$$\begin{aligned}L_0 &= \{a \in S \mid \lambda_a \text{ is constant}\} \\ L_1 &= \{a \in S \mid \lambda_a \text{ is a permutation}\} \\ R_0 &= \{a \in S \mid \rho_a \text{ is constant}\} \\ R_1 &= \{a \in S \mid \rho_a \text{ is a permutation}\}\end{aligned}$$

(a) Let  $L_0 = \emptyset$ .

If both  $R_0 \neq \emptyset$  and  $R_1 \neq \emptyset$  then there are  $x \in R_0$  and  $y \in R_1$  such that  $Sx = b$  for some  $b \in S$  and  $Sy = S$ , so there is an  $a \in S$  such that  $ay = b$ . From  $ax = b$  and  $ay = b$  it follows that  $\lambda_a$  is constant contrary to hypothesis.

It must be either  $R_0 = \emptyset$  or  $R_1 = \emptyset$ .

(a') Let  $R_0 = \emptyset$ .

Then any translation is a permutation, so  $\cdot$  is a quasigroup.

(a'') Let  $R_1 = \emptyset$ .

Then any left translation is a permutation while any right translation is constant and there is a permutation  $\varphi$  such that  $xy = \varphi y$ .

(b) Let  $L_1 = \emptyset$ .

If both  $R_0 \neq \emptyset$  and  $R_1 \neq \emptyset$  then there are  $x \in R_0$  and  $y \in R_1$  such that for some  $a, b \in S(a \neq b)$ :

$$ay = ax = bx = by$$

and  $\rho$  cannot be permutation, contrary to hypothesis.

It must be either  $R_0 = \emptyset$  or  $R_1 = \emptyset$ .

(b') Let  $R_0 = \emptyset$ .

Then any right translations is a permutation, while any left translation is constant and there is a permutation  $\varphi$  such that  $xy = \varphi x$ .

(b'') Let  $R_1 = \emptyset$ .

From  $x, y, u, v \in S$  it follows that  $x \in L_0, v \in R_0$  and  $xy = xv = uv$  so  $\cdot$  is a zero-semigroup.

(c) Let  $L_0 \neq \emptyset$  and  $L_1 \neq \emptyset$ .

Then also  $R_0 \neq \emptyset$  and  $R_1 \neq \emptyset$ . It is easy to see that  $L_0$  and  $R_0$  have only one element. Let  $a \in L_0, b \in R_0$  and  $c = ab$ .

Except  $\lambda_a$ , all  $\lambda_x$  are permutations. Also, except  $\rho_b$ , all  $\rho_x$  are permutations and  $\cdot$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(a, b, c)$ .

DEFINITION. Principal ATG's are:

$(S_0)$  zero-semigroup

$(A_L)$  left zero semigroup

$(A_R)$  right zero semigroup

$(L)$  loop

$(L_0)$  loop with zero.

Principal ATG's from a family  $\{(S, *_i) \mid i \in I\}$  are compatible if:

- all ATG's (from the family) with zero, have a common zero  $d$
- all ATG's (from the family) with unit, have a common unit  $e$
- if  $d$  and  $c$  are as above, then  $d \neq e$ .

LEMMA 1.3. *Any ATG is (principal) isotope of some principal ATG.*

PROOF: In the first three cases the proof is trivial, while in the fourth it follows from the well known theorem of Albert ([3]).

Let  $\cdot$  be a quasigroup with quasizero  $(p, q, r)$ ,  $\alpha$  a transposition of  $p$  and  $r$  and  $\beta$  a transposition of  $q$  and  $r$ .

Let also  $x * y = \alpha x \cdot \beta y$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} r * x &= \alpha r \cdot \beta x = p \cdot \beta x = r \\ x * r &= \alpha x \cdot \beta r = \alpha x \cdot q = r. \end{aligned}$$

Also, for  $x \neq r$   $\lambda_x' y = x * y = \alpha x \cdot \beta y = \lambda_{\alpha x} \beta y$  so  $\lambda_x'$  is a permutation such that  $\lambda_x' r = r$ .

Analogously  $\rho_x' \upharpoonright S \setminus \{r\}$  is a permutation and  $* \upharpoonright (S \setminus \{r\})^2$  is a quasigroup. Since any quasigroup is (principally) isotopic to a loop,  $(S, *)$  is (principally) isotopic to a loop with zero.

COROLLARY 1.4. *Any ATG is (principal) isotope of one of:*

- $(S_0)$  zero-semigroup
- $(A_L)$  left zero semigroup
- $(A_R)$  right zero semigroup
- $(L)$  loop
- $(L_0)$  loop with zero

COROLLARY 1.5. *Any ATG which is a semigroup is one of:*

- $(S_0)$  zero-semigroup
- $(A_L)$  left zero semigroup
- $(A_R)$  right zero semigroup
- $(G)$  group
- $(G_0)$  group with zero

PROOF:

- (a) Zero-semigroup is a semigroup.
- (b) According to L 1.1.
- (c) According to L 1.1.
- (d) Associative quasigroup is a group.
- (e) Let  $\cdot$  be a quasigroup with quasizero  $(p, q, r)$ . For any  $x, y, z \in S$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} rz &= py \cdot z = p \cdot yz = r = pz \quad \text{so} \quad p = r \\ xr &= x \cdot yq = xy \cdot q = r = xq \quad \text{so} \quad q = r. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently  $\cdot$  is an associative quasigroup with zero i.e. group with zero.

Corollary 1.5 is somewhat weaker than Th 1 from [1], where the same conclusion follows from weaker hypothesis about semigroups with almost trivial multiplications.

COROLLARY 1.6. *Any ATG with unit is one of:*

(L) loop

(L<sub>0</sub>) loop with zero.

COLLORARY 1.7. *Any ATG with zero is one of:*

(S<sub>0</sub>) zero-semigroup

(Q<sub>0</sub>) quasigroup with zero.

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2. In Th 2 the general solution is given of the generalized associativity equation on ATG:

$$(1) \quad A(x, B(y, z)) = C(D(x, y), z).$$

We are using the following conventions:

–  $A, B, C, D$  are always given by the formulas (2) and their respective isotopes  $\cdot, \circ, *, \Delta$ .

–  $S_\circ, S_L, A_L, S_R, A_R, Q, L, G, Q_q, Q_\circ, L_\circ, G_\circ$  are types i.e. various kinds of ATG's as follows:

$S_\circ$  – zero-semigroup

$S_L(S_R)$  – left (right) groupoid

$A_L(A_R)$  – left (right) zero semigroup

$Q(Q_q, Q_\circ)$  – quasigroup (with quasizero, with zero)

$L(L_\circ)$  – loop (with zero)

$G(G_\circ)$  – group (with zero)

–  $a, b, c, d$  denote types

–  $\langle a, b, c, d \rangle$  means that  $\cdot$  is of type  $a$ ,  $\circ$  of type  $b$ ,  $*$  of type  $c$  and  $\Delta$  of type  $d$ . If for example  $b = d$ , then  $\circ$  and  $\Delta$  are the same operation.

$\langle a, b, c, b' \rangle$  means that operations  $\circ$  and  $\Delta$  are of the same type but not necessarily identical.

So  $\langle S_\circ L S_\circ L' \rangle$  means that zero-semigroups  $\cdot$  and  $*$  are identical while  $\circ$  and  $\Delta$  are loops which are not necessarily identical.

THEOREM 2. *The general solution of generalized associativity equation (1) on ATG's, is given by:*

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} A(x, y) &= A_1 x \cdot A_2 y \\ B(x, y) &= A_2^{-1} (A_2 B_1 x \circ A_2 B_2 y) \\ C(x, y) &= C_1 x * C_2 y \\ D(x, y) &= C_1^{-1} (C_1 D_1 x \Delta C_1 D_2 y) \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2, D_1, D_2$  are arbitrary permutations on  $S$  such that:

$$(3) \quad A_1 = C_1 D_1 \quad A_2 B_1 = C_1 D_2 \quad A_2 B_2 = C_2$$

and where  $\cdot, \circ, *, \Delta$  are arbitrary principal ATG's such that either one of the following conditions are fulfilled:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \langle S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ A_L \rangle & \langle S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ L \rangle & \langle S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ L_\circ \rangle \\ \langle S_\circ A_L S_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_L S_\circ A_L \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_L S_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_L S_\circ L \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_L S_\circ L_\circ \rangle \\ \langle S_\circ S_\circ A_L S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ S_\circ L_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_L A_L S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_L L_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_R S_\circ S_\circ \rangle \\ \langle S_\circ A_R S_\circ A_L \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_R S_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_R S_\circ L \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_R S_\circ L_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ A_R A_L S_\circ \rangle \\ \langle S_\circ A_R L_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ L S_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ L S_\circ A_L \rangle & \langle S_\circ L S_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle S_\circ L S_\circ L' \rangle \\ \langle S_\circ L S_\circ L_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ L A_L S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ L L_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ L_\circ S_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle S_\circ L_\circ S_\circ A_L \rangle \\ \langle S_\circ L_\circ S_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle S_\circ L_\circ S_\circ L \rangle & \langle S_\circ L_\circ A_L S_\circ \rangle & \langle A_L S_\circ A_L A_L \rangle & \langle A_L A_L A_L A_L \rangle \\ \langle A_L A_R A_L A_L \rangle & \langle A_L L A_L A_L \rangle & \langle A_L L_\circ A_L A_L \rangle & \langle A_R S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle A_R S_\circ S_\circ A_L \rangle \\ \langle A_R S_\circ S_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle A_R S_\circ S_\circ L \rangle & \langle A_R S_\circ S_\circ L_\circ \rangle & \langle A_R S_\circ A_L S_\circ \rangle & \langle A_R S_\circ L_\circ S_\circ \rangle \\ \langle A_R A_L A_L A_R \rangle & \langle A_R A_R A_R S_\circ \rangle & \langle A_R A_R A_R A_L \rangle & \langle A_R A_R A_R A_R \rangle & \langle A_R A_R A_R L \rangle \\ \langle A_R A_R A_R L_\circ \rangle & \langle A_R L L A_R \rangle & \langle A_R L_\circ L_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle L A_L A_L L \rangle & \langle L A_R L A_L \rangle \\ \langle L_\circ S_\circ S_\circ S_\circ \rangle & \langle L_\circ S_\circ S_\circ A_L \rangle & \langle L_\circ S_\circ S_\circ A_R \rangle & \langle L_\circ S_\circ S_\circ L \rangle & \langle L_\circ S_\circ A_L S_\circ \rangle \\ \langle L_\circ S_\circ L_\circ' S_\circ \rangle & \langle L_\circ A_L A_L L_\circ \rangle & \langle L_\circ A_R L_\circ A_L \rangle & \langle G G G G \rangle & \langle G_\circ G_\circ G_\circ G_\circ \rangle \end{array}$$

where operations  $\cdot, \circ, *, \Delta$  are compatible, or one of the following:

- $\langle S_\circ L_\circ S_\circ L_\circ' \rangle, \cdot$  and  $\circ$  have a common zero,  $\circ$  and  $\Delta$  have a common unit
- $\langle S_\circ L_\circ L_\circ' S_\circ \rangle, \cdot$  and  $*$  have a common zero,  $\circ$  and  $*$  have a common unit
- $\langle A_R A_R L S_\circ \rangle$ , the unit of the loop  $*$  is a zero of  $\Delta$
- $\langle A_R A_R L_\circ S_\circ \rangle$ , the unit of the loop with zero  $*$  is a zero of  $\Delta$
- $\langle L S_\circ A_L A_L \rangle$ , the unit of loop  $\cdot$  is a zero of  $\circ$
- $\langle L_\circ S_\circ S_\circ L_\circ' \rangle, \cdot$  and  $*$  have a common zero,  $\cdot$  and  $\Delta$  have a common unit
- $\langle L_\circ S_\circ A_L A_L \rangle$ , the unit of the loop with zero  $\cdot$  is a zero of  $\circ$ .

*Sketch of the proof:* We can easily check that quadruple  $(A, B, C, D)$  given by (2), satisfying (3) and one of conditions  $\langle abcd \rangle$ , is a solution of (1).

Conversely, let  $T$  be a ternary operation defined by:

$$T(x, y, z) = A(x, B(y, z))$$

(a)  $T$  does not depend on  $x, y, z$ .

For  $A, B$  we have the following possibilities:

- $A(x, y) = 0, B$  is arbitrary

- $A(x, y) = \alpha y, B(x, y) = b$
- $A$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(a, b, 0)$ ,  $B(x, y) = b$  and analogous possibilities for  $C, D$ .

Only for three of 49 solutions, we prove that they are of the required form.

- (a')  $A(x, y) = 0, B$  is a quasigroup
- $C(x, y) = 0, D$  is a quasigroup.

Let  $p, q, r \in S$  and  $A_1$  arbitrary permutation on  $S$  such that  $A_1 p \neq 0$ . We define:

$$B_1 x = B(x, r), \quad B_2 x = B(q, x), \quad D_1 x = D(x, q), \quad D_2 x = D(p, x),$$

$$C_1 = A_1 D_1^{-1}, \quad A_2 = C_1 D_2 B_1^{-1}, \quad C_2 = A_2 B_2, \quad e = A_1 p$$

and

$$x \cdot y = A(A_1^{-1} x, A_2^{-1} y)$$

$$x \circ y = A_2 B((A_2 B_1)^{-1} x, (A_2 B_2)^{-1} y)$$

$$x \Delta y = C_1 D((C_1 D_1)^{-1} x, (C_1 D_2)^{-1} y).$$

Then it is easy to prove (3),  $\langle S \circ L S \circ L' \rangle$  and compatibility of  $\cdot, \circ, \Delta$ .

- (a'')  $A(x, y) = 0, B$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(b_1, b_2, b)$
- $D(x, y) = d, C$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(d, c, 0)$ .

Let  $q, r, r' \in S$  such that  $q \neq b_1, r \neq b_2, r' \neq d$  and  $D_1$  arbitrary permutation on  $S$ . We define:

$$B_1 x = B(x, r), \quad B_2 x = B(q, x), \quad C_1 x = C(x, r), \quad C_2 x = C(r', x),$$

$$e = C(r', r), \quad A_1 = C_1 D_1, \quad A_2 = C_2 B_2^{-1}, \quad D_2 = C_1^{-1} A_2 B_1$$

and

$$x \cdot y = A(A_1^{-1} x, A_2^{-1} y)$$

$$x \circ y = A_2 B((A_2 B_1)^{-1} x, (A_2 B_2)^{-1} y)$$

$$x * y = C(C_1^{-1} x, C_2^{-1} y).$$

Then it is easy to prove (3) and  $\langle S \circ L \circ L' \circ S \circ \rangle$  where  $\cdot$  and  $*$  have zero 0,  $*$  and  $\circ$  have unit  $e$  and  $\circ$  has zero  $A_2 b$ . Operations  $\cdot, \circ, *$  are compatible iff  $A_2 b = 0$  i.e.  $b_2 = c$ .

- (a''')  $A$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(a, b, 0)$ ,  $B(x, y) = b$
- $C$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(d, c, 0)$ ,  $D(x, y) = d$ .

Let  $p, p', r \in S$ ,  $p \neq a$ ,  $p' \neq b$ ,  $r \neq c$  and let  $B_1$  be an arbitrary permutation on  $S$ . Since  $C$  is a quasigroup with quasizero and  $r \neq c$ , there is unique solution of equation  $C(x, r) = A(p, p')$ . Let us denote it by  $r'$  and define:

$$\begin{aligned} A_1x &= A(x, p'), & A_2x &= A(p, x), & e &= A(p, p'), & C_1x &= C(x, r), \\ C_2x &= C(r', x), & B_2 &= A_2^{-1}C_2, & D_1 &= C_1^{-1}A_1, & D_2 &= C_1^{-1}A_2B_1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot y &= A(A_1^{-1}x, A_2^{-1}y) \\ x \circ y &= A_2B((A_2B_1)^{-1}x, (A_2B_2)^{-1}y) \\ x * y &= C(C_1^{-1}x, C_2^{-1}y). \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to prove (3),  $\langle L \circ S \circ L \circ S \circ \rangle$  and compatibility of  $\cdot$ ,  $\circ$ ,  $*$ .

(b)  $T$  depends on  $x$  only (and (a) does not hold).

We have the following possibilities for  $A$  and  $B$ :

- $A(x, y) = \alpha x$ ,  $B$  is arbitrary
- $A$  is a quasigroup,  $B(x, y) = b$
- $A$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(a_1, a_2, 0)$ ,  $B(x, y) = b$ ,  $b \neq a_2$ .

For  $C$  and  $D$  there is only one possibility:

- $C(x, y) = \gamma x$ ,  $D(x, y) = \delta x$ .

Only for one of 7 solutions, we prove that it is of the required form.

(b')  $A$  is a quasigroup,  $B(x, y) = b$ ,

$$C(x, y) = \gamma x, \quad D(x, y) = \delta x, \quad A(x, b) = \gamma \delta x.$$

Let  $p \in S$  and  $B_1, B_2$  be arbitrary permutations on  $S$ . We define:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 &= \gamma, & D_1 &= \delta, & A_1 &= C_1D_1, & A_2 &= A(p, x), & C_2 &= A_2B_2, \\ & & & & & & & & & D_2 &= C_1^{-1}A_2B_1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot y &= A(A_1^{-1}x, A_2^{-1}y) \\ x \circ y &= A_2B((A_2B_1)^{-1}x, (A_2B_2)^{-1}y) \\ x * y &= C(C_1^{-1}x, C_2^{-1}y). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently (3),  $\langle LS \circ A_L A_L \rangle$  and  $A_2b$  is both unit of  $\cdot$  and zero of zero semigroup  $\circ$ .

(c)  $T$  depends on  $y$  only (and (a) does not hold).



Only one case (of type  $\langle A_R A_L A_L A_R \rangle$ ) is possible.

(d)  $T$  depends on  $z$  only (and (a) does not hold).

This case is “dual” to the case (b). There are 7 solutions.

(e)  $T$  depends on  $x, y$  only ((a), (b), (c) does not hold).

There are two possibilities for  $A$  and  $B$ :

–  $A$  is a quasigroup,  $B(x, y) = \beta x$

–  $A$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(a, b, 0)$ ,  $B(x, y) = \beta x$ .

There are two possibilities for  $C$  and  $D$ :

–  $C(x, y) = \gamma x$ ,  $D$  is a quasigroup

–  $C(x, y) = \gamma x$ ,  $D$  is a quasigroup with quasizero  $(c, d, 0')$ .

It follows from (1) that  $A(x, \beta y) = \gamma D(x, y)$  i.e.  $A$  and  $D$  are isotopic and consequently both are either quasigroups or quasigroups with quasizero.

There are two solutions (of types  $\langle L A_L A_L L \rangle$  and  $\langle L_\circ A_L A_L L_\circ \rangle$ ).

(f)  $T$  depends on  $x, z$  only ((a), (b), (d) does not hold).

As in the case (e),  $A$  and  $C$  are isotopic, so only two solutions (of types  $\langle L A_R L A_L \rangle$  and  $\langle L_\circ A_R L_\circ A_L \rangle$ ) remain.

(g)  $T$  depends on  $y, z$  only ((a), (c), (d) does not hold).

This case is “dual” to the case (e). The types of solutions are  $\langle A_R L L A_R \rangle$  and  $\langle A_R L_\circ L_\circ A_R \rangle$ .

(h)  $T$  depends on  $x, y, z$  (and previous cases does not hold).

Any one of  $A, B, C, D$  can be either a quasigroup or a quasigroup with quasizero. Let  $p \in S$  (and  $p \neq a_1$  if  $(a_1, a_2, a)$  is a quasizero of  $A$ ). Also, let  $A_2 x = A(p, x)$  and  $D_2 x = D(p, x)$ . It follows from (1) that  $A_2 B(y, z) = C(D_2 y, z)$  so  $D_2$  is also a permutation and consequently  $B$  and  $C$  are isotopic.

Analogously, other operations are isotopic to  $B$  and  $C$ , so all are simultaneously either quasigroups or quasigroups with quasizero.

In the first case, using procedure from [4] (or [5]), we deduce (3) and  $\langle G G G G \rangle$ .

Analogously we obtain the solution of type  $\langle G_\circ G_\circ G_\circ G_\circ \rangle$ .

**COROLLARY 2.1.** *The general solution of generalized associativity equation (1) on ATG's is given by (2) where  $A_1, A_2, \dots, D_2$  are arbitrary permutations on  $S$  satisfying (3) and  $\cdot, \circ, *, \Delta$  are arbitrary principal ATG's such that:*

$$(4) \quad x \cdot (y \circ z) = (x \Delta y) * z.$$

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**EXAMPLE.** Let  $S = \{0, 1\}$ . Then all groupoids on  $S$  are ATG. We shall solve the generalized associativity equation on  $S$ .

We denote the operations on  $S$  in a following way:

$x$	$y$	$x0y$	$x\wedge y$	$x\rightarrow y$	$x\perp y$	$x\leftarrow y$	$xRy$	$x+y$	$x\vee y$	$x\downarrow y$	$x\leftrightarrow y$	$x\bar{R}y$	$x\leftarrow y$	$x\bar{\perp}y$	$x\rightarrow y$	$x\uparrow y$	$x1y$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1

Repeating the procedure from Th 2 we obtain all solutions of (1). Solutions like  $(0, B, 0, D)$  and  $(0, B, L, 0)$  stand for solutions where  $B$  and  $D$  are substituted by arbitrary operation on  $S$ .

(a)	$(0, B, 0, D)$	$(1, B, 1, D)$	$(0, B, \perp, 0)$	$(0, B, \bar{\perp}, 1)$
	$(1, B, \perp, 1)$	$(1, B, \bar{\perp}, 0)$	$(0, B, \wedge, 0)$	$(0, B, \mapsto, 0)$
	$(0, B, \leftarrow, 1)$	$(0, B, \downarrow, 1)$	$(1, B, \vee, 1)$	$(1, B, \leftarrow, 1)$
	$(1, B, \rightarrow, 0)$	$(1, B, \uparrow, 0)$	$(R, 0, 0, D),$	$(R, 1, 1, D)$
	$(\bar{R}, 0, 1, D)$	$(\bar{R}, 1, 0, D)$	$(R, 0, \perp, 0)$	$(R, 0, \bar{\perp}, 1)$
	$(R, 1, \perp, 1)$	$(R, 1, \bar{\perp}, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, 0, \perp, 1)$	$(\bar{R}, 0, \bar{\perp}, 0)$
	$(\bar{R}, 1, \perp, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, 1, \bar{\perp}, 1)$	$(R, 0, \wedge, 0)$	$(R, 0, \mapsto, 0)$
	$(R, 0, \leftarrow, 1)$	$(R, 0, \downarrow, 1)$	$(R, 1, \vee, 1)$	$(R, 1, \leftarrow, 1)$
	$(R, 1, \rightarrow, 0)$	$(R, 1, \uparrow, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, 1, \wedge, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, 1, \mapsto, 0)$
	$(\bar{R}, 1, \leftarrow, 1)$	$(\bar{R}, 1, \downarrow, 1)$	$(\bar{R}, 0, \vee, 1)$	$(\bar{R}, 0, \leftarrow, 1)$
	$(\bar{R}, 0, \rightarrow, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, 0, \uparrow, 0)$	$(\wedge, 0, 0, D)$	$(\mapsto, 1, 0, D)$
	$(\leftarrow, 0, 0, D)$	$(\downarrow, 1, 0, D)$	$(\vee, 1, 1, D)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, 1, D)$
	$(\rightarrow, 1, 1, D)$	$(\uparrow, 0, 1, D)$	$(\wedge, 0, \perp, 0)$	$(\wedge, 0, \bar{\perp}, 1)$
	$(\mapsto, 1, \perp, 0)$	$(\mapsto, 1, \bar{\perp}, 1)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \perp, 0)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \bar{\perp}, 1)$
	$(\downarrow, 1, \perp, 0)$	$(\downarrow, 1, \bar{\perp}, 1)$	$(\vee, 1, \perp, 1)$	$(\vee, 1, \bar{\perp}, 0)$
	$(\leftarrow, 0, \perp, 1)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \bar{\perp}, 0)$	$(\rightarrow, 1, \perp, 1)$	$(\rightarrow, 1, \bar{\perp}, 0)$
	$(\uparrow, 0, \perp, 1)$	$(\uparrow, 0, \bar{\perp}, 0)$	$(\wedge, 0, \wedge, 0)$	$(\wedge, 0, \mapsto, 0)$
	$(\wedge, 0, \leftarrow, 1)$	$(\wedge, 0, \downarrow, 1)$	$(\mapsto, 1, \wedge, 0)$	$(\mapsto, 1, \mapsto, 0)$
	$(\mapsto, 1, \leftarrow, 1)$	$(\mapsto, 1, \downarrow, 1)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \wedge, 0)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \mapsto, 0)$
	$(\leftarrow, 0, \leftarrow, 1)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \downarrow, 1)$	$(\downarrow, 1, \wedge, 0)$	$(\downarrow, 1, \mapsto, 0)$
	$(\downarrow, 1, \leftarrow, 1)$	$(\downarrow, 1, \downarrow, 1)$	$(\vee, 1, \vee, 1)$	$(\vee, 1, \leftarrow, 1)$
	$(\vee, 1, \rightarrow, 0)$	$(\vee, 1, \uparrow, 0)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \vee, 1)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \leftarrow, 1)$
	$(\leftarrow, 0, \rightarrow, 0)$	$(\leftarrow, 0, \uparrow, 0)$	$(\rightarrow, 1, \vee, 1)$	$(\rightarrow, 1, \leftarrow, 1)$
	$(\rightarrow, 1, \rightarrow, 0)$	$(\rightarrow, 1, \uparrow, 0)$	$(\uparrow, 0, \vee, 1)$	$(\uparrow, 0, \leftarrow, 1)$
	$(\uparrow, 0, \rightarrow, 0)$	$(\uparrow, 0, \uparrow, 0)$		

(b)	$(L, B, L, L)$	$(L, B, \bar{L}, \bar{L})$	$(\bar{L}, B, L, \bar{L})$	$(\bar{L}, B, \bar{L}, L)$
	$(+, 0, L, L)$	$(+, 0, \bar{L}, \bar{L})$	$(+, 1, L, \bar{L})$	$(+, 1, \bar{L}, L)$
	$(\leftrightarrow, 0, L, L)$	$(\leftrightarrow, 0, \bar{L}, L)$	$(\leftrightarrow, 1, L, L)$	$(\leftrightarrow, 1, \bar{L}, \bar{L})$
	$(\wedge, 1, L, L)$	$(\wedge, 1, \bar{L}, \bar{L})$	$(\mapsto, 0, L, L),$	$(\mapsto, 0, \bar{L}, \bar{L})$
	$(\leftarrow, 1, L, \bar{L})$	$(\leftarrow, 1, \bar{L}, L)$	$(\downarrow, 0, L, \bar{L})$	$(\downarrow, 0, \bar{L}, L)$
	$(\vee, 0, L, L)$	$(\vee, 0, \bar{L}, \bar{L})$	$(\leftarrow, 1, L, L)$	$(\leftarrow, 1, \bar{L}, \bar{L})$
	$(\rightarrow, 0, L, \bar{L})$	$(\rightarrow, 0, \bar{L}, L)$	$(\uparrow, 1, L, \bar{L})$	$(\uparrow, 1, \bar{L}, L)$
(c)	$(R, L, L, R)$	$(R, L, \bar{L}, \bar{R})$	$(R, \bar{L}, L, \bar{R})$	$(R, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, R)$
	$(\bar{R}, L, L, \bar{R})$	$(\bar{R}, L, \bar{L}, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{L}, L, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \bar{R})$
(d)	$(R, R, R, D)$	$(R, \bar{R}, \bar{R}, D)$	$(\bar{R}, R, \bar{R}, D)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{R}, R, D)$
	$(R, R, +, 0)$	$(R, R, \leftrightarrow, 1)$	$(R, \bar{R}, +, 1)$	$(R, \bar{R}, \leftrightarrow, 0)$
	$(\bar{R}, R, +, 1)$	$(\bar{R}, R, \leftrightarrow, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{R}, +, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{R}, \leftrightarrow, 1)$
	$(R, R, \wedge, 1)$	$(R, R, \leftarrow, 0)$	$(R, R, \vee, 0),$	$(R, R, \rightarrow, 1)$
	$(R, \bar{R}, \mapsto, 1)$	$(R, \bar{R}, \downarrow, 0)$	$(R, \bar{R}, \leftarrow, 0)$	$(R, \bar{R}, \uparrow, 1)$
	$(\bar{R}, R, \mapsto, 1)$	$(\bar{R}, R, \downarrow, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, R, \leftarrow, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, R, \uparrow, 1)$
	$(\bar{R}, \bar{R}, \wedge, 1)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{R}, \leftarrow, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{R}, \vee, 0)$	$(\bar{R}, \bar{R}, \rightarrow, 1)$
(e)	$(+, L, L, +)$	$(+, L, \bar{L}, \leftrightarrow)$	$(+, \bar{L}, L, \leftrightarrow)$	$(+, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, +)$
	$(\leftrightarrow, L, L, \leftrightarrow)$	$(\leftrightarrow, L, \bar{L}, +)$	$(\leftrightarrow, \bar{L}, L, +)$	$(\leftrightarrow, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \leftrightarrow)$
	$(\wedge, L, L, \wedge)$	$(\wedge, L, \bar{L}, \uparrow)$	$(\wedge, \bar{L}, L, \mapsto)$	$(\wedge, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \rightarrow)$
	$(\mapsto, L, L, \mapsto)$	$(\mapsto, L, \bar{L}, \rightarrow)$	$(\mapsto, \bar{L}, L, \wedge),$	$(\mapsto, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \uparrow)$
	$(\leftarrow, L, L, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, L, \bar{L}, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{L}, L, \downarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \vee)$
	$(\downarrow, L, L, \downarrow)$	$(\downarrow, L, \bar{L}, \vee)$	$(\downarrow, \bar{L}, L, \leftarrow)$	$(\downarrow, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \leftarrow)$
	$(\vee, L, L, \vee)$	$(\vee, L, \bar{L}, \downarrow)$	$(\vee, \bar{L}, L, \leftarrow)$	$(\vee, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \leftarrow)$
	$(\leftarrow, L, L, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, L, \bar{L}, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{L}, L, \vee)$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \downarrow)$
	$(\rightarrow, L, L, \rightarrow)$	$(\rightarrow, L, \bar{L}, \mapsto)$	$(\rightarrow, \bar{L}, L, \uparrow)$	$(\rightarrow, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \wedge)$
	$(\uparrow, L, L, \uparrow)$	$(\uparrow, L, \bar{L}, \wedge)$	$(\uparrow, \bar{L}, L, \rightarrow)$	$(\uparrow, \bar{L}, \bar{L}, \mapsto)$
(f)	$(+, R, +, L)$	$(+, R, \leftrightarrow, \bar{L})$	$(+, \bar{R}, \leftrightarrow, L)$	$(+, \bar{R}, +, \bar{L})$
	$(\leftrightarrow, R, \leftrightarrow, L)$	$(\leftrightarrow, R, +, \bar{L})$	$(\leftrightarrow, \bar{R}, +, L)$	$(\leftrightarrow, \bar{R}, \leftrightarrow, \bar{L})$
	$(\wedge, R, \wedge, L)$	$(\wedge, R, \leftarrow, \bar{L})$	$(\wedge, \bar{R}, \mapsto, L)$	$(\wedge, \bar{R}, \downarrow, \bar{L})$
	$(\mapsto, R, \mapsto, L)$	$(\mapsto, R, \downarrow, \bar{L})$	$(\mapsto, \bar{R}, \wedge, L),$	$(\mapsto, \bar{R}, \leftarrow, \bar{L})$
	$(\leftarrow, R, \leftarrow, L)$	$(\leftarrow, R, \wedge, \bar{L})$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{R}, \downarrow, L)$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{R}, \mapsto, \bar{L})$
	$(\downarrow, R, \downarrow, L)$	$(\downarrow, R, \mapsto, \bar{L})$	$(\downarrow, \bar{R}, \leftarrow, L)$	$(\downarrow, \bar{R}, \wedge, \bar{L})$
	$(\vee, R, \vee, L)$	$(\vee, R, \rightarrow, \bar{L})$	$(\vee, \bar{R}, \leftarrow, L)$	$(\vee, \bar{R}, \uparrow, \bar{L})$
	$(\leftarrow, R, \leftarrow, L)$	$(\leftarrow, R, \uparrow, \bar{L})$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{R}, \vee, L)$	$(\leftarrow, \bar{R}, \rightarrow, \bar{L})$

	$(\rightarrow, R, \rightarrow, \perp)$	$(\rightarrow, R, \vee, \overline{\perp})$	$(\rightarrow, \bar{R}, \uparrow, \perp)$	$(\rightarrow, \bar{R}, \leftarrow, \overline{\perp})$
	$(\uparrow, R, \uparrow, \perp)$	$(\uparrow, R, \leftarrow, \overline{\perp})$	$(\uparrow, \bar{R}, \rightarrow, \perp)$	$(\uparrow, \bar{R}, \vee, \overline{\perp})$
(g)	$(R, +, +, R)$	$(R, +, \leftrightarrow, \bar{R})$	$(R, \leftrightarrow, +, \bar{R})$	$(R, \leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow, R)$
	$(\bar{R}, +, +, \bar{R})$	$(\bar{R}, +, \leftrightarrow, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \leftrightarrow, +, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \bar{R})$
	$(R, \wedge, \wedge, R)$	$(R, \wedge, \leftarrow, \bar{R})$	$(R, \mapsto, \mapsto, R)$	$(R, \mapsto, \downarrow, \bar{R})$
	$(R, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, R)$	$(R, \leftarrow, \wedge, \bar{R})$	$(R, \downarrow, \downarrow, R)$	$(R, \downarrow, \mapsto, \bar{R})$
	$(R, \vee, \vee, R)$	$(R, \vee, \rightarrow, \bar{R})$	$(R, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, R)$	$(R, \leftarrow, \uparrow, \bar{R})$
	$(R, \rightarrow, \rightarrow, R)$	$(R, \rightarrow, \vee, \bar{R})$	$(R, \uparrow, \uparrow, R)$	$(R, \uparrow, \leftarrow, \bar{R})$
	$(\bar{R}, \wedge, \uparrow, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \wedge, \leftarrow, \bar{R})$	$(\bar{R}, \mapsto, \rightarrow, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \mapsto, \vee, \bar{R})$
	$(\bar{R}, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \mapsto, \uparrow, \bar{R})$	$(\bar{R}, \downarrow, \vee, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \downarrow, \rightarrow, \bar{R})$
	$(\bar{R}, \vee, \downarrow, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \vee, \mapsto, \bar{R})$	$(\bar{R}, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \leftarrow, \wedge, \bar{R})$
	$(\bar{R}, \rightarrow, \mapsto, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \rightarrow, \downarrow, \bar{R})$	$(\bar{R}, \uparrow, \wedge, R)$	$(\bar{R}, \uparrow, \leftarrow, \bar{R})$
(h)	$(+, +, +, +)$	$(+, +, \leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow)$	$(+, \leftrightarrow, +, \leftrightarrow)$	$(+, \leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow, +)$
	$(\leftrightarrow, +, +, \leftrightarrow)$	$(\leftrightarrow, +, \leftrightarrow, +)$	$(\leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow, +, +)$	$(\leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow)$
	$(\wedge, \wedge, \wedge, \wedge)$	$(\wedge, \wedge, \leftarrow, \uparrow)$	$(\wedge, \mapsto, \mapsto, \wedge)$	$(\wedge, \mapsto, \downarrow, \uparrow)$
	$(\wedge, \leftarrow, \wedge, \mapsto)$	$(\wedge, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$	$(\wedge, \downarrow, \mapsto, \mapsto)$	$(\wedge, \downarrow, \downarrow, \rightarrow)$
	$(\mapsto, \vee, \mapsto, \mapsto)$	$(\mapsto, \vee, \downarrow, \rightarrow)$	$(\mapsto, \leftarrow, \wedge, \mapsto)$	$(\mapsto, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$
	$(\mapsto, \rightarrow, \mapsto, \wedge)$	$(\mapsto, \rightarrow, \downarrow, \uparrow)$	$(\mapsto, \uparrow, \wedge, \wedge)$	$(\mapsto, \uparrow, \leftarrow, \uparrow)$
	$(\leftarrow, \wedge, \wedge, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \wedge, \leftarrow, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \mapsto, \mapsto, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \mapsto, \downarrow, \leftarrow)$
	$(\leftarrow, \leftarrow, \wedge, \downarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \vee)$	$(\leftarrow, \downarrow, \mapsto, \downarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \downarrow, \downarrow, \vee)$
	$(\downarrow, \vee, \mapsto, \downarrow)$	$(\downarrow, \vee, \downarrow, \vee)$	$(\downarrow, \leftarrow, \wedge, \downarrow)$	$(\downarrow, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \vee)$
	$(\downarrow, \rightarrow, \mapsto, \leftarrow)$	$(\downarrow, \rightarrow, \downarrow, \leftarrow)$	$(\downarrow, \uparrow, \wedge, \leftarrow)$	$(\downarrow, \uparrow, \leftarrow, \leftarrow)$
	$(\vee, \vee, \vee, \vee)$	$(\vee, \vee, \rightarrow, \downarrow)$	$(\vee, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \vee)$	$(\vee, \leftarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow)$
	$(\vee, \rightarrow, \vee, \leftarrow)$	$(\vee, \rightarrow, \rightarrow, \leftarrow)$	$(\vee, \uparrow, \leftarrow, \leftarrow)$	$(\vee, \uparrow, \uparrow, \leftarrow)$
	$(\leftarrow, \wedge, \leftarrow, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \wedge, \uparrow, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \mapsto, \vee, \leftarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \mapsto, \rightarrow, \leftarrow)$
	$(\leftarrow, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \vee)$	$(\leftarrow, \leftarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow)$	$(\leftarrow, \downarrow, \downarrow, \vee)$	$(\leftarrow, \downarrow, \rightarrow, \downarrow)$
	$(\rightarrow, \vee, \vee, \rightarrow)$	$(\rightarrow, \vee, \rightarrow, \mapsto)$	$(\rightarrow, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$	$(\rightarrow, \leftarrow, \uparrow, \mapsto)$
	$(\rightarrow, \rightarrow, \leftarrow, \uparrow)$	$(\rightarrow, \rightarrow, \rightarrow, \wedge)$	$(\rightarrow, \uparrow, \leftarrow, \uparrow)$	$(\rightarrow, \uparrow, \uparrow, \wedge)$
	$(\uparrow, \wedge, \leftarrow, \uparrow)$	$(\uparrow, \wedge, \uparrow, \wedge)$	$(\uparrow, \mapsto, \vee, \uparrow)$	$(\uparrow, \mapsto, \rightarrow, \wedge)$
	$(\uparrow, \leftarrow, \leftarrow, \rightarrow)$	$(\uparrow, \leftarrow, \uparrow, \mapsto)$	$(\uparrow, \downarrow, \vee, \rightarrow)$	$(\uparrow, \downarrow, \rightarrow, \mapsto)$

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