

On ordered n -groups

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Abstract

Among the results of the paper is the following proposition. Let $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ be an arbitrary nHG -algebra associated to the n -group (Q, A) , where $n \geq 3$. If \leq is a partial order defined on Q , then, (Q, A, \leq) is an ordered n -group iff (Q, \cdot, \leq) is an ordered group and for every $x, y \in Q$ the following implication holds $x \leq y \implies \varphi(x) \leq \varphi(y)$.

1. Preliminaries

Definition 1.1. Let $n \geq 2$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then:

(a) (Q, A) is an n -semigroup iff for every $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $i < j$ the following law (called the (i, j) -associativity) holds

$$A(x_1^{i-1}, A(x_i^{i+n-1}), x_{i+n}^{2n-1}) = A(x_1^{j-1}, A(x_j^{j+n-1}), x_{j+n}^{2n-1}),$$

(b) (Q, A) is an n -quasigroup iff for every $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and for every $a_1^n \in Q$ is exactly one $x_i \in Q$ such that

$$A(a_1^{i-1}, x_i, a_i^{n-1}) = a_n,$$

(c) (Q, A) is a Dörnte n -group (briefly: n -group) iff is an n -semigroup and an n -quasigroup.

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A notion of an n -group was introduced by W. Dörnte in [2] as a generalization of the notion of a group.

Proposition 1.2. [10] *Let $n \geq 2$ and let (Q, A) be an n -groupoid. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) (Q, A) is an n -group,
- (ii) there are mappings $^{-1}$ and \mathbf{e} respectively of the sets Q^{n-1} and Q^{n-2} into the set Q such that in the algebra $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, \mathbf{e}\})$ of the type $\langle n, n-1, n-2 \rangle$ the following laws hold:

- (a) $A(x_1^{n-2}, A(x_{n-1}^{2n-2}), x_{2n-1}) = A(x_1^{n-1}, A(x_n^{2n-1})),$
 (b) $A(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, x) = x,$
 (c) $A((a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, a) = \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}),$

- (iii) there are mappings $^{-1}$ and \mathbf{e} respectively of the sets Q^{n-1} and Q^{n-2} into the set Q such that in the algebra $(Q, \{A, ^{-1}, \mathbf{e}\})$ of the type $\langle n, n-1, n-2 \rangle$ the following laws hold:

- (\bar{a}) $A(A(x_1^n), x_{n+1}^{2n-1}) = A(x_1, A(x_2^{n+1}), x_{n+2}^{2n-1}),$
 (\bar{b}) $A(x, a_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})) = x,$
 (\bar{c}) $A(a, a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1}) = \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}).$ □

Remark 1.3. \mathbf{e} is an $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation of n -groupoid (Q, A) iff algebra $(Q, \{A, \mathbf{e}\})$ of type $\langle n, n-2 \rangle$ satisfies the laws (b) and (\bar{b}). The notion of $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operation ($i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}, i < j$) of an n -groupoid is defined in a similar way (cf. [6]). In every n -groupoid there is at most one $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operation. A $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation there exists in every n -group, but there are n -groups without $\{i, j\}$ -neutral operations with $\{i, j\} \neq \{1, n\}$ (cf. [9]). Operation $^{-1}$ is a generalization of the inverse operation in a group. In fact, if (Q, A) is an n -group, $n \geq 2$, then for every $a \in Q$ and for every sequence a_1^{n-2} over Q is

$$(a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1} = \mathbf{E}(a_1^{n-2}, a, a_1^{n-2}),$$

where \mathbf{E} is an $\{1, 2n - 1\}$ -neutral operation of the $(2n - 1)$ -group $(Q, \overset{2}{A})$ defined by $\overset{2}{A}(x_1^{2n-1}) = A(A(x_1^n), x_{n+1}^{2n-1})$ (cf. [7]). Obviously, for $n = 2$, $a^{-1} = \mathbf{E}(a)$; a^{-1} is the inverse element of the element a with respect to the neutral element $\mathbf{e}(\emptyset)$ of the group (Q, A) .

Theorem 1.4. (Hosszú–Gluskin Theorem) (cf. [5], [4])

For every n -group (Q, A) , $n \geq 3$, there is an algebra $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ such that the following statements hold:

- 1° (Q, \cdot) is a group,
- 2° $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(Q, \cdot)$,
- 3° $\varphi(b) = b$,
- 4° for every $x \in Q$, $\varphi^{n-1}(x) \cdot b = b \cdot x$,
- 5° for every $x_1^n \in Q$, $A(x_1^n) = x_1 \cdot \varphi(x_2) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(x_n) \cdot b$. \square

Definition 1.5. [8] We say that an algebra $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ is a *Hosszú–Gluskin algebra* of order n ($n \geq 3$) (briefly: *nHG-algebra*) iff it satisfies 1° – 4° from the above theorem. If it satisfies also 5°, then we say that an *nHG-algebra* $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ is *associated* to the n -group (Q, A) .

Proposition 1.6. [8] Let $n \geq 3$, let (Q, A) be an n -group, and \mathbf{e} its $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation. Further on, let c_1^{n-2} be an arbitrary sequence over Q and let for every $x, y \in Q$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{(c_1^{n-2})}(x, y) &= A(x, c_1^{n-2}, y), \\ \varphi_{(c_1^{n-2})}(x) &= A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), x, c_1^{n-2}) \quad \text{and} \\ b_{(c_1^{n-2})} &= A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), \dots, \mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2})). \end{aligned}$$

Then, the following statements hold

- (i) $(Q, \{B_{(c_1^{n-2})}, \varphi_{(c_1^{n-2})}, b_{(c_1^{n-2})}\})$ is an *nHG-algebra* associated to the n -group (Q, A) and
- (ii) $\mathcal{C}_A = \{(Q, \{B_{(c_1^{n-2})}, \varphi_{(c_1^{n-2})}, b_{(c_1^{n-2})}\}) : c_1^{n-2} \in Q\}$ is the set of all *nHG-algebras* associated to the n -group (Q, A) . \square

Proposition 1.7. [8] Let (Q, A) be an n -group, \mathbf{e} its $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation and $n \geq 3$. Then for every $a_1^{n-2} \in Q$ and every $1 \leq i \leq n-2$ there is exactly one $x_i \in Q$ such that $\mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, x_i, a_i^{n-3}) = a_{n-2}$. \square

2. Main results

Definition 2.1. Let (Q, A) be an n -group, $n \geq 2$. If \leq is a partial order on Q such that

$$x \leq y \Rightarrow A(z_1^{i-1}, x, z_i^{n-1}) \leq A(z_1^{i-1}, y, z_i^{n-1}) \quad (1)$$

for all $x, y, z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} \in Q$ and $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$, then, we say that (Q, A, \leq) is an *ordered n -group*.

Note that in the case $n = 2$ (Q, A, \leq) is an ordered group in the sense of [3].

Theorem 2.2. Let \leq be a partial order on Q . Also, let $n \geq 3$ and let (Q, A) be an n -group. In addition, let $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ be an arbitrary nHG -algebra associated to the n -group (Q, A) . Then, (Q, A, \leq) is an ordered n -group iff for all $x, y, z \in Q$ the following two formulas hold

$$x \leq y \Rightarrow xz \leq yz \wedge zx \leq zy \quad (2)$$

$$x \leq y \Rightarrow \varphi(x) \leq \varphi(y). \quad (3)$$

Proof. Let (Q, A, \leq) be an ordered n -group and let $n \geq 3$. Also, let \mathbf{e} be an $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation of the n -group (Q, A) . In addition, let $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ be an arbitrary nHG -algebra associated to the n -group (Q, A) . Then, by Proposition 1.6, there is at least one sequence c_1^{n-2} over Q such that for every $x, y \in Q$ the following two equalities hold:

$$x \cdot y = A(x, c_1^{n-2}, y),$$

$$\varphi(x) = A(\mathbf{e}(c_1^{n-2}), x, c_1^{n-2}).$$

Hence, by Definition 2.1, we conclude that the formulas (2) and (3) hold in $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$.

Conversely, let $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ be an arbitrary nHG -algebra associated to the n -group (Q, A) . Also, let \leq be a partial order on Q . Assume that an nHG -algebra $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ satisfies (2) and (3). Then, for every $x, y, z_1^{n-2} \in Q$ and $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ it satisfies also (1).

Indeed, for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ $x \leq y$ implies $\varphi^{i-1}(x) \leq \varphi^{i-1}(y)$, and in the consequence

$$z_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{i-2}(z_{i-1}) \cdot \varphi^{i-1}(x) \leq z_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{i-2}(z_{i-1}) \cdot \varphi^{i-1}(y),$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{i-2}(z_{i-1}) \cdot \varphi^{i-1}(x) \cdot \varphi^i(z_i) \cdot \dots \cdot b \cdot z_{n-1} &\leq \\ z_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{i-2}(z_{i-1}) \cdot \varphi^{i-1}(y) \cdot \varphi^i(z_i) \cdot \dots \cdot b \cdot z_{n-1}. & \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by Definition 1.5, we conclude that (1) holds.

The cases $i = 1$ and $i = n$ are obvious. \square

Example 2.3. Let $(Z, +)$ be the additive group of all integers, and let \leq be the natural order defined on Z . Then Z with the ternary operation A defined by

$$A(x, y, z) = x + (-y) + z$$

is a 3-group.

Moreover, $(Z, \{+, \varphi, 0\})$, where $\varphi(x) = -x$, is an nHG -algebra associated to a 3-group (Z, A) .

Since for every $x, y \in Z$ $x \leq y$ implies $\varphi(y) \leq \varphi(x)$, we conclude (by Theorem 2.2) that (Z, A, \leq) is not an ordered 3-group. \square

Example 2.4. Let $(Z, +, \leq)$ be as in the previous example. Let

$$B(x_1^n) = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n + 2$$

for every $x_1^n \in Z$, $n \geq 3$. Then, (Z, B) is an n -group with $(Z, \{+, id, 2\})$ as its associated nHG -algebra. Obviously (Z, B, \leq) is an ordered n -group.

Moreover, (Z, C, \leq) and (Z, D, \leq) where

$$C(x_1^n) = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n,$$

$$D(x_1^n) = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n + (-2)$$

are ordered n -groups as well. \square

Theorem 2.5. *Let (Q, \leq) be a chain. Also, let (Q, A) be an n -group, $^{-1}$ its inverse operation, \mathbf{e} its $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation and $n \geq 3$. Moreover, let a be an arbitrary element of the set Q and a_1^{n-2} be an sequence over Q such that $\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}) = a$. Then*

- (i) $(\{x : a \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) iff $a \leq A(\bar{a})$,
- (ii) $(\{x : (a_1^{n-2}, A(\bar{a}))^{-1} \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) iff $A(\bar{a}) \leq a$,
- (iii) let $a \leq A(\bar{a})$ and let c be an arbitrary element of the set Q such that $a \leq c$. Then $(\{x : c \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) ,
- (iv) let $A(\bar{a}) \leq a$ and let c be an arbitrary element of the set Q such that $(a_1^{n-2}, A(\bar{a}))^{-1} \leq c$. Then $(\{x : c \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) .

Proof. 1) Let a be an arbitrary element of the set Q . Also let a_1^{n-2} be an sequence over Q such that $\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}) = a$. Moreover, let

- (a) $x \cdot y = A(x, a_1^{n-2}, y)$,
- (b) $\varphi(x) = A(a, x, a_1^{n-2})$,
- (c) $b = A(\bar{a})$,
- (d) $x^{-1} = (a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}$

for all $x, y \in Q$. Then:

- 1^o $(Q, \{\cdot, \varphi, b\})$ is an nHG -algebra associated to (Q, A) ,
- 2^o $a = \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})$ is a neutral element of the group (Q, \cdot) ,
- 3^o $^{-1}$ is an inverse operation of the group (Q, \cdot) .

By Theorem 2.2 and 1^o, we conclude that

- 4^o (Q, \cdot, \leq) is a linearly ordered group,
- 5^o $x \leq y \Rightarrow \varphi(x) \leq \varphi(y)$ for all $x, y \in Q$.

2) Assume now that $(\{x : a \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) . Then for all $x_1^n \in Q$ from $x_1^n \in \{x : a \leq x\}$ follows $A(x_1^n) \in \{x : a \leq x\}$, whence we conclude that $a \leq A(\bar{a})$.

Conversely, let $a \leq A(\overset{n}{a})$. Hence, by 4° and 5°, we conclude that for every sequence x_1^n over Q the following implications hold:

$$\bigwedge_{i=1}^n x_i \in \{x : a \leq x\} \Rightarrow a \leq x_1 \cdot \varphi(x_2) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(x_n) \cdot b \Rightarrow a \leq A(x_1^n),$$

i.e.

$$(\forall x_i \in Q)_1^n (\bigwedge_{i=1}^n x_i \in \{x : a \leq x\} \Rightarrow A(x_1^n) \in \{x : a \leq x\}).$$

3) Let $(\{x : (a_1^{n-2}, A(\overset{n}{a}))^{-1} \leq x\}, A)$ be an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) . Then for all

$$\bigwedge_{i=1}^n x_i \in \{x : b^{-1} \leq x\} \Rightarrow A(x_1^n) \in \{x : b^{-1} \leq x\}$$

by (c), (d). Whence, by 4°, $\varphi(b) = b$, $\varphi(b^{-1}) = b^{-1}$ we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} b^{-1} \leq A(b^{-1}, b^{-1}, \dots, b^{-1}) &= b^{-1} \cdot \varphi(b^{-1}) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-2}(b^{-1}) \cdot b \cdot b^{-1} \\ &= b^{-1} \cdot b^{-1} \cdot \dots \cdot b^{-1} \cdot b \cdot b^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e. $b^{n-2} \leq a$. Hence $b \leq a$ by 4°.

On the other hand, if $A(\overset{n}{a}) \leq a$, then, by (c),(d) and 1°-4°, we have $a \leq b^{-1}$, whence, by 1° and $\varphi(b^{-1}) = b^{-1}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} b^{-1} &\leq b^{-1} \leq b^{-1} \\ a &\leq b^{-1} \leq \varphi(b^{-1}) \\ &\dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \\ &\dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \\ a &\leq b^{-1} \leq \varphi^{n-2}(b^{-1}) \\ b &\leq b \leq b \\ b^{-1} &\leq b^{-1} \leq b^{-1} . \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by 4°, 1° and 1.5, we conclude that

$$b^{-1} \leq b^{-1} \cdot \varphi(b^{-1}) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-2}(b^{-1}) \cdot b \cdot b^{-1} = A(b^{-1}, b^{-1}, \dots, b^{-1}),$$

i.e.

$$b^{-1} \leq A(b^{-1}, b^{-1}, \dots, b^{-1}),$$

whence, by (i), we see that $(\{x : b^{-1} \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) .

4) Let $a \leq A(\overset{n}{a}) = b$. Also let c be an arbitrary element of the set Q such that $a \leq c$. Since $a \leq b$, then

$$(a) \quad c \cdot \varphi(c) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(c) \cdot a \leq c \cdot \varphi(c) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(c) \cdot b.$$

By 1°, 2°, 5° and $a \leq c$, we obtain: $c \leq c$, $a \leq \varphi(c)$, ... , $a \leq \varphi^{n-1}(c)$, whence, by 2°, 4° and 5°, we conclude that

$$(b) \quad c \leq c \cdot \varphi(c) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(c) = c \cdot \varphi(c) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(c) \cdot a.$$

By (a) and (b), we conclude that

$$c \leq c \cdot \varphi(c) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-1}(c) \cdot b,$$

i.e. $c \leq A(\overset{n}{c})$. Hence, by (i) $(\{x : c \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) .

5) Let $A(\overset{n}{a}) \leq a$. Also let c be an arbitrary element of the set Q such that $b^{-1} \leq c$. Hence, by 1°, 1.5, 2°, 4° and 5°, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} c &= c \cdot a \cdot \dots \cdot a \cdot b \cdot b^{-1} = c \cdot \varphi(a) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-2}(a) \cdot b \cdot b^{-1} \\ &\leq c \cdot \varphi(b^{-1}) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-2}(b^{-1}) \cdot b \cdot b^{-1} \\ &\leq c \cdot \varphi(c) \cdot \dots \cdot \varphi^{n-2}(c) \cdot b \cdot c \\ &= A(\overset{n}{c}), \end{aligned}$$

whence, by (i) we prove that $(\{x : c \leq x\}, A)$ is an n -subsemigroup of the n -group (Q, A) . \square

Remark 2.6. The above theorem describes so-called the *right cone* (cf. [3]), i.e. the set $K_r(c) = \{x : c \leq x\}$. The analogous result holds for the *left cone* $K_l(c) = \{x : x \leq c\}$.

3. Four propositions more

Proposition 3.1. *If (Q, A, \leq) is an ordered n -group ($n \geq 2$), then*

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in Q) (\forall y \in Q) (\forall z_j \in Q)_1^{n-1} \\ &\bigwedge_{i=1}^n (x \leq y \iff A(z_1^{i-1}, x, z_i^{n-1}) \leq A(z_1^{i-1}, y, z_i^{n-1})). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We prove only \Leftarrow since the implication \Rightarrow is obvious.

1) In the case $i = 1$, $A(x, a_1^{n-2}, a) \leq A(y, a_1^{n-2}, a)$ implies $A(A(x, a_1^{n-2}, a), a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1}) \leq A(A(y, a_1^{n-2}, a), a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1})$,

and in the consequence

$$A(x, a_1^{n-2}, A(a, a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1})) \leq A(y, a_1^{n-2}, A(a, a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, a)^{-1})),$$

which gives

$$A(x, a_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})) \leq A(y, a_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})). \text{ Hence } x \leq y.$$

2) The case $i = n$ may be proved analogously.

3) Let now $i \in \{2, \dots, n-1\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} A(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}) &\leq A(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-1}) \Rightarrow \\ A(b_i^{n-1}, A(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-1}), b_1^{i-1}) &\leq A(b_i^{n-1}, A(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-1}), b_1^{i-1}) \Rightarrow \\ A(A(b_i^{n-1}, a_1^{i-1}, x), a_i^{n-1}, b_1^{i-1}) &\leq A(A(b_i^{n-1}, a_1^{i-1}, y), a_i^{n-1}, b_1^{i-1}) \Rightarrow \\ A(b_i^{n-1}, a_1^{i-1}, x) &\leq A(b_i^{n-1}, a_1^{i-1}, y) \Rightarrow x \leq y. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.2. *Let (Q, A, \leq) be an ordered n -group and let $n \geq 2$. Also, let $^{-1}$ be an inverse operation of the n -group (Q, A) . Then*

$$(\forall x, y \in Q) (\forall a_j \in Q)_1^{n-1} \quad x \leq y \Leftrightarrow (a_1^{n-1}, y)^{-1} \leq (a_1^{n-1}, x)^{-1}.$$

Proof. $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow A((a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, x) \leq A((a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, y) \Leftrightarrow$
 $\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}) \leq A((a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, y) \Leftrightarrow A(\mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2}), a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1}) \leq$
 $\leq A(A((a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, y), a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1}) \Leftrightarrow$
 $(a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1} \leq A((a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, A(y, a_1^{n-2}, (a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1})) \Leftrightarrow$
 $(a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1} \leq A((a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}, a_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{n-2})) \Leftrightarrow$
 $(a_1^{n-2}, y)^{-1} \leq (a_1^{n-2}, x)^{-1}. \quad \square$

Proposition 3.3. *Let (Q, A, \leq) be an ordered n -group and let $n \geq 3$. Also, let \mathbf{e} be an $\{1, n\}$ -neutral operation of the n -group (Q, A) . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} &(\forall x \in Q) (\forall y \in Q) (\forall a_j \in Q)_1^{n-3} \\ &\bigwedge_{i=1}^{n-2} (x \leq y \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}) \leq \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3})). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since $A(a, x_1^{n-2}, b) = A(A(a, y_1^{n-2}, (y_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(x_1^{n-2}))^{-1}), y_1^{n-2}, b)$ by Theorem 4 from [7], then

$$\begin{aligned}
x \leq y &\Leftrightarrow A(a, a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}, b) \leq A(a, a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}, b) \Leftrightarrow \\
&A(A(a, c_1^{n-2}, (c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}))^{-1}), c_1^{n-2}, b) \leq \\
&\quad A(A(a, c_1^{n-2}, (c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}))^{-1}), c_1^{n-2}, b) \Leftrightarrow \\
&A(a, c_1^{n-2}, (c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}))^{-1}) \leq \\
&\quad A(a, c_1^{n-2}, (c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}))^{-1}) \Leftrightarrow \\
&(c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}))^{-1} \leq (c_1^{n-2}, \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}))^{-1} \Leftrightarrow \\
&\mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}) \leq \mathbf{e}(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}). \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.4. *Let (Q, A, \leq) be an ordered n -group and let $n \geq 3$. Also, let $^{-1}$ be an inverse operation of the n -group (Q, A) . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\forall x \in Q) (\forall y \in Q) (\forall b \in Q) (\forall a_j \in Q) a_1^{n-3} \\
&\bigwedge_{i=1}^{n-2} (x \leq y \Rightarrow (a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}, b)^{-1} \leq (a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}, b)^{-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since $x \leq y$ implies

$$E(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}, b, a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}) \leq E(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}, b, a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3})$$

and

$$E(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}, b, a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}) \leq E(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}, b, a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}),$$

then from the transitivity of \leq follows that $x \leq y$ implies

$$E(a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}, b, a_1^{i-1}, y, a_i^{n-3}) \leq E(a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}, b, a_1^{i-1}, x, a_i^{n-3}).$$

This completes the proof because

$$(a_1^{i-1}, z, a_i^{n-3}, b)^{-1} = E(a_1^{i-1}, z, a_i^{n-3}, b, a_1^{i-1}, z, a_i^{n-3}). \quad \square$$

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