

DESCRIPTION OF ORDER 3 HYPERGROUPS OVER GROUP  
ARISING FROM DIHEDRAL GROUP  $D_9$

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In the present paper we describe, up to isomorphism, all order 3 unitary hypergroups over group, arising from the dihedral group  $D_9$ .

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**Introduction.** Completely reduced hypergroups of order 3 over a group can be obtained only either from the symmetric group  $S_3$  or from noncommutative groups of order 18 [1]. The unitary order 3 hypergroups over group, arising from  $S_3$ , are studied in [2]. It is well-known that there exist only three non-isomorphic non-commutative groups of order 18, namely,  $S_3 \times C_3$ , the dihedral group  $D_9$  and the semidirect product of  $C_3 \times C_3$  with  $C_2$  (see, e.g., [3]). In [1] it is proved that any hypergroup of order 3 over group, arising from the group  $S_3 \times C_3$ , is reducible. In this paper we describe, up to isomorphism, all unitary hypergroups of order 3 over group, arising from the dihedral group  $D_9$ .

**Hypergroups Over Group.** The notion of hypergroup over a group was introduced in [4]. The general form of the definition of hypergroup over a group is as follows.

Let  $H$  be an arbitrary (multiplicative) group with the neutral element (identity)  $\varepsilon$ . A (right) hypergroup over  $H$  is a set  $M$  together with the system of structural mappings  $\Omega=(\Phi, \Psi, \Lambda, \Xi)$ , satisfying the following conditions:

**(B1)** The structural mapping  $\Xi$  is a binary operation on  $M$  :

$$\Xi : M \times M \longrightarrow M, \quad (ab) \longrightarrow [a, b],$$

determining on  $M$  a structure of right loop with a left neutral element  $o$ .

**(B2)** The structural mapping  $\Phi$  is a right action of the group  $H$  on  $M$ :

$$\Phi : M \times H \longrightarrow M, \quad a\alpha \longrightarrow a^\alpha.$$

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(B3) The structural mapping  $\Lambda$  is a scalar product on  $M$  with values in  $H$ :

$$\Lambda : M \times M \longrightarrow H, \quad ab \longrightarrow (a, b).$$

We denote  $\theta = (o, o)^{-1}$ .

(B4) The structural mapping  $\Psi$  is defined by

$$\Psi : M \times H \longrightarrow H, \quad a\alpha \longrightarrow {}^a\alpha.$$

Moreover, the following list of axioms must hold:

- (A1)  ${}^a(\alpha\beta) = {}^a\alpha \cdot {}^{a\alpha}\beta$ ,
- (A2)  $[a, b]^\alpha = [a^{(b\alpha)}, b^\alpha]$ ,
- (A3)  ${}^{[a, b]}\alpha = (a, b)^{-1} \cdot {}^a(b\alpha) \cdot (a^{(b\alpha)}, b^\alpha)$ ,
- (A4)  $[[a, b], c] = [a^{(b, c)}, [b, c]]$ ,
- (A5)  $(a, b)([a, b], c) = {}^a(b, c)(a^{(b, c)}, [b, c])$ ,
- (A6)  ${}^o\alpha = \theta^{-1} \cdot \alpha \cdot \theta$ ,

We denote a (right) hypergroup  $M$  over the group  $H$  by  ${}_H M$ .

A morphism  $\phi: {}_H M \longrightarrow {}_{H'} M'$  is defined as a pair  $(\phi_0, \phi_1)$ , consisting a homomorphism of groups  $\phi_0: H \longrightarrow H'$  and a map of sets  $\phi_1: M \longrightarrow M'$ , preserving all structural mappings. The hypergroups over groups and their morphisms form a category [5]. Therefore, one can use the notions and terminology of general category theory (isomorphism, epimorphism etc).

**Theorem 1.** Let  $G$  be an arbitrary group,  $H$  be its subgroup and  $M$  be a complementary set to  $H$  (i.e. a section  $\sigma$  of canonical surjection  $\psi: G \longrightarrow H \setminus G$ ). Then the system of mappings  $\Omega = (\Phi, \Psi, \Lambda, \Xi)$  defined by conditions

$$a \cdot \alpha = {}^a\alpha \cdot a^\alpha, \quad a \cdot b = (a, b)[a, b], \quad a, b \in M, \alpha \in H,$$

gives a structure of hypergroup on  $M$ . Conversely, any hypergroup  ${}_H M$  can be obtained in this way [6].

A hypergroup  ${}_H M$  is called unitary, if  $\sigma(H \cdot e) = e$ , where  $e$  is the neutral element of  $G$ .

A representation  $\underline{\Phi}: H \longrightarrow S_M$  is canonically associated with any hypergroup  ${}_H M$ . The hypergroup  ${}_H M$  is called completely reduced, if the kernel of this representation is trivial [7].

**The Dihedral Group  $D_9$ .** The dihedral group of order 18 is given by two generators  $a$  and  $b$  and relations

$$a^9 = b^2 = e, \quad ab = ba^{-1}.$$

It is a semidirect product of the cyclic subgroup  $\langle a \rangle$  of order 9 with the cyclic subgroup  $\langle b \rangle$  of order 2.

*Proposition 1.* The dihedral group  $D_9$  has exactly 3 subgroups of order 6:

$$H_1 = \langle a^3, b \rangle = \{ e, a^3, a^6, b, a^3b, a^6b \},$$

$$H_2 = \langle a^3, ab \rangle = \{ e, a^3, a^6, ab, a^4b, a^7b \},$$

$$H_3 = \langle a^3, a^2b \rangle = \{ e, a^3, a^6, a^2b, a^5b, a^8b \}.$$

These subgroups are isomorphic to the symmetric group  $S_3$ .

Let  $J$  be the set of first 9 non-negative integers and  $I = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$ .

**Theorem 2.** The group of automorphisms  $A = \text{Aut } D_9$  has order 54 and consists of elements  $\varphi_{ij}$ ,  $i \in I$  and  $j \in J$ , defined by

$$\varphi_{ij}(a^k b^l) = a^{(ik+jl) \pmod{9}} b^l.$$

The law of binary operation in  $A$  is:

$$\varphi_{i,j} \cdot \varphi_{k,l} = \varphi_{m,n}, \quad m \equiv ik \pmod{9} \text{ and } n \equiv jk+l \pmod{9}.$$

This group is the exact product of the cyclic subgroup  $\langle \alpha \rangle$  of order 6, generated by  $\alpha = \varphi_{2,0}$ , and the cyclic subgroup  $\langle \beta \rangle$  of order 9, generated by  $\beta = \varphi_{1,1}$ .

**The Equivalence Classes of Sections of Canonical Surjections, Associated with Subgroups of Order 6 of Dihedral Group  $D_9$ .** Let  $G$  be a group,  $H$  and  $H'$  be its subgroups,

$$\psi : G \longrightarrow H \setminus G \text{ and } \psi' : G \longrightarrow H' \setminus G$$

be the canonical surjections,  $M$  and  $M'$  be the sections of  $\psi$  and  $\psi'$ , respectively. We say that the sections  $M$  and  $M'$  are equivalent, if there exists an automorphism  $\alpha$  of  $G$  such that  $\alpha(H) = H'$  and  $\alpha(M) = M'$ . Evidently, this relation is an equivalence relation. The dihedral group  $D_9$  has exactly three subgroups  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  of order 6 and they are conjugate each to other. Consequently, every section of canonical surjection, associated with an order 6 subgroup of  $D_9$  is equivalent to a section of canonical surjection, associated with, for example,  $H_1$ . Further we denote

$$H = H_1 = \langle a^3, b \rangle = \{ e, a^3, a^6, b, a^3b, a^6b \},$$

and let  $\psi = \psi_1$  be the associated canonical surjection.

One of the three cosets of the quotient-set  $H \setminus D_9$  is  $H$ , and the two others are

$$\{ a, a^4, a^7, a^2b, a^5b, a^8b \}, \quad \{ a^2, a^5, a^8, ab, a^4b, a^7b \}.$$

Three first elements of these cosets have order 9, and three last elements have order 2. The surjection  $\psi$  has 36 unitary sections:

- (i) 9 sections contain two elements of order 2;
- (ii) 9 sections contain two elements of order 9;
- (iii) 18 sections contain one elements of order 2 and one element of order 9.

Evidently, two sections  $M$  and  $M'$  can be equivalent, only if there exists a bijection between  $M$  and  $M'$  such that the corresponding elements have the same order.

*Proposition 2.* The set  $B$  of all automorphisms  $\varphi$  of  $D_9$  satisfying  $\varphi(H) = H$  is a subgroup of order 18. It consists of elements

$$B = \{\varphi_{i,j}; i \in I \text{ and } j = 0, 3, 6\}.$$

*Proposition 3.* Any two unitary sections of  $\psi$ , containing two elements of order 2, are equivalent.

*Proposition 4.* There exist two classes of equivalent unitary sections of  $\psi$ , containing two elements of order 9:

1.  $\{e, a, a^2\}, \{e, a^2, a^4\}, \{e, a^4, a^8\}, \{e, a^5, a\}, \{e, a^7, a^5\}, \{e, a^8, a^7\}$ .
2.  $\{e, a, a^8\}, \{e, a^4, a^5\}, \{e, a^7, a^2\}$ .

*Proposition 5.* Any two unitary sections of  $\psi$ , containing one element of order 2, and one element of order 9, are equivalent.

**Order 3 Hypergroups, Arising from Dihedral Group  $D_9$ .**

*Theorem 3.* Let  $G$  be an arbitrary group,  $H$  and  $H'$  be subgroups of  $G$  with equivalent the complementary subsets  $M$  to  $H$  and  $M'$  to  $H'$ . Then the hypergroups  ${}_H M$  and  ${}_{H'} M'$  are isomorphic.

We have, up to equivalence, exactly four sections for canonical surjection, associated to all subgroups  $H_i$  of  $D_9$ . Therefore, we can consider only the subgroup  $H = H_1$  and, for example, the sections  $M_1 = \{e, a^2b, ab\}$ ,  $M_2 = \{e, a, a^2\}$ ,  $M_3 = \{e, a^4, a^5\}$  and  $M_4 = \{e, a, ab\}$ .

*Proposition 6.* Let  $\Omega_i = (\Phi_i, \Psi_i, \Lambda_i, \Xi_i)$  be the system of structural mappings of hypergroup  ${}_H M_i$  ( $i=1, 2, 3, 4$ ). These structural mappings are given by the following tables:

1)  $i = 1$

$\Phi_1$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$	$\Psi_1$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$a^2b$	$a^2b$	$a^2b$	$a^2b$	$ab$	$ab$	$ab$	$a^2b$	$e$	$a^6$	$a^3$	$a^3b$	$b$	$a^6b$
$ab$	$ab$	$ab$	$ab$	$a^2b$	$a^2b$	$a^2b$	$ab$	$e$	$a^6$	$a^3$	$a^3b$	$b$	$a^6b$

$\Lambda_1$	$e$	$a^2b$	$ab$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$
$a^2b$	$e$	$e$	$a^3b$
$ab$	$e$	$b$	$e$

$\Xi_1$	$e$	$a^2b$	$ab$
$e$	$e$	$a^2b$	$ab$
$a^2b$	$a^2b$	$e$	$a^2b$
$ab$	$ab$	$ab$	$e$

Thus, the hypergroup  ${}_H M_1$  is reduced to a hypergroup over the group  $C_2$ . The corresponding right loop  $(M_1, \Xi_1)$  is not associative.

2)  $i = 2$ 

$\Phi_2$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$
$a$	$a$	$a$	$a$	$a^2$	$a^2$	$a^2$
$a^2$	$a^2$	$a^2$	$a^2$	$a$	$a$	$a$

$\Psi_2$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$e$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$a$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$	$b$
$a^2$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$	$b$

$\Lambda_2$	$e$	$a$	$a^2$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$
$a$	$e$	$e$	$a^3$
$a^2$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^3$

$\Xi_2$	$e$	$a$	$a^2$
$e$	$e$	$a$	$a^2$
$a$	$a$	$a^2$	$e$
$a^2$	$a^2$	$e$	$a$

This hypergroup  ${}_H M_2$  is reduced to a hypergroup over the group  $C_2$ . The corresponding right loop  $(M_2, \Xi_2)$  is a group.

3)  $i = 3$ 

$\Phi_3$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$
$a^4$	$a^4$	$a^4$	$a^4$	$a^5$	$a^5$	$a^5$
$a^5$	$a^5$	$a^5$	$a^5$	$a^4$	$a^4$	$a^4$

$\Psi_3$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$e$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$a^4$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$a^5$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$

$\Lambda_3$	$e$	$a^4$	$a^5$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$
$a^4$	$e$	$a^3$	$e$
$a^5$	$e$	$e$	$a^6$

$\Xi_3$	$e$	$a^4$	$a^5$
$e$	$e$	$a^4$	$a^5$
$a^4$	$a^4$	$a^5$	$e$
$a^5$	$a^5$	$e$	$a^4$

This hypergroup  ${}_H M_3$  is isomorphic to  ${}_H M_2$ .

4)  $i = 4$ 

$\Phi_4$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$
$a$	$a$	$a$	$a$	$ab$	$ab$	$ab$
$ab$	$ab$	$ab$	$ab$	$a$	$a$	$a$

$\Psi_4$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$e$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$b$	$a^3b$	$a^6b$
$a$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$	$e$	$a^3$	$a^6$
$ab$	$e$	$a^6$	$a^3$	$e$	$a^6$	$a^3$

$\Lambda_4$	$e$	$a$	$ab$
$e$	$e$	$e$	$e$
$a$	$e$	$a^3b$	$a^3b$
$ab$	$e$	$b$	$e$

$\Xi_4$	$e$	$a$	$ab$
$e$	$e$	$a$	$ab$
$a$	$a$	$ab$	$a$
$ab$	$ab$	$e$	$e$

This hypergroup is also reduced to hypergroup over  $C_2$ . The corresponding right loop  $(M_4, \Xi_4)$  is not associative and is not isomorphic to the right loop  $(M_1, \Xi_1)$ .

**Theorem 4.** All hypergroups of order 3, arising from dihedral group  $D_9$ , are defined over the symmetric group  $S_3$  up to isomorphism. There exist only three such unitary hypergroups. They are reduced to three (non-isomorphic) unitary hypergroups of order 3, arising from  $S_3$ .

Note that, the converse assertion to Theorem 3 is not true, according to Propositions 4 and 6. The sections  $M_2$  and  $M_3$  are not equivalent, but the hypergroups  ${}_H M_2$  and  ${}_H M_3$  are isomorphic.

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