STAR MULTIPLICATION AND CROSSED MODULES STRUCTURES IN RIGHT Ω -LOOPS

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Abstract

Internal categorical structures play an important role in categorical algebra. In semi-abelian categories, internal categories form a variety, namely the variety of crossed modules [10]. The notion of star multiplication was introduced by G. Janelidze in [10] where it was applied to the description of crossed modules in a semi-abelian category. In the same paper, the question of describing semi-abelian categories with the property that every star-multiplicative graph uniquely extends to an internal category structure was asked.

N. Martins-Ferreira [14] introduced conditions that provide a simple description of internal groupoids as crossed modules in the semi-abelian categories of groups and rings. The aim of this talk is to describe star-multiplication in varieties of right Ω -loops in the sense of [9].

Outline

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Notation and preliminaries

Let ${\bf C}$ be a finitely complete category with coproducts. $Pt_{\bf C}(B)$, the category of points over ${\bf B}$: The objects in $Pt_{\bf C}(B)$ are triples (A,α,β) , where $\alpha:A\longrightarrow B$ and $\beta:B\longrightarrow A$ are morphisms in ${\bf C}$ in with $\alpha\beta=1_B$. A morphism $f:(A,\alpha,\beta)\longrightarrow (A',\alpha',\beta')$ in $Pt_{\bf C}(B)$ is a morphism $f:A\longrightarrow A'$ in ${\bf C}$ with $\alpha'f=\alpha$ and $f\beta=\beta'$.

Protomodular and semiabelian categories provide the appropriate setting for describing the essential features of groups and other algebraic structures. A category ${\bf C}$ is semi-abelian (Janelidze, Marki and Tholen, [11]) when

- (a) C is pointed.
- (b) **C** is finitely complete.
- (c) **C** is finitely cocomplete.
- (d) C is Barr-exact (M. Barr, 1971).
 - regular: finitely complete with pullback stable regular epis and coequalizers of kernel pairs
 - every internal equivalence relation is a kernel pair
- (e) **C** is protomodular (Bourn, 1991); Pullback functor $f^*: Pt(B) \longrightarrow Pt(E)$ conservative \iff short 5 lemma (in pointed case)

Internal actions and semidirect products of Ω -loops

Let ${\bf C}$ be a finitely complete category with coproducts. Then for any object B in ${\bf C}$, we can define a functor U from the category of split epimorphisms over B into ${\bf C}$

$$U: Pt_B(\mathbf{C}) \longrightarrow \mathbf{C}, A \xrightarrow{\alpha \atop \beta} B \longmapsto \ker(\alpha).$$

This functor has a left adjoint $F: \mathbf{C} \longrightarrow Pt_B(\mathbf{C}), X \longmapsto B + X \xrightarrow{[1,0]} B$ and the monad corresponding to this adjunction is denoted by $B\flat(-)$. The $B\flat(-)$ -algebras are called B-actions in \mathbf{C} (See [4]).

T is the monad on \mathbf{C} determined by the adjoint pair (F,U), $C^T=B\flat X$ the category of T-algebras, and U^T , F^T , and K are the corresponding forgetful functor, free functor, and comparison functor respectively. L is the left adjoint of K.

Remarks 1

► We write

$$B \flat X \xrightarrow{\kappa_{B,X}} B + X \xrightarrow{[1,0]} B \tag{1}$$

for the diagram in which + denotes the coproduct and $\kappa_{B,X}$ is the kernel of the morphism [1,0] induced by the identity morphism of B and the zero morphism from B to X.

▶ In the category of groups, the object B
bar X is the group generated by the formal conjugates of elements of B by the triples (b, x, b^{-1}) with $b \in B$ and $x \in X$.



Definition 2

The algebras for the monad $B\flat(-)$ (or T^B) induced by the adjunction (F,U) called internal B-actions in \mathbf{C} . We denote by \mathbf{C}^B the category of these algebras.

Definition 3

(D. Bourn and G. Janelidze, [1])

Let T^B be the monad on $\mathbb C$ corresponding to the monadic functor $U: Pt_{\mathbb C}(B) \to \mathbb C$. Given a T^B -algebra (X, ξ) , we define the semidirect product

$$B \ltimes (X, \xi)$$

to be the object in $Pt_{\mathbb{C}}(B)$ corresponding to (X,ξ) under the category equivalence

$$Pt_{\mathbb{C}}(B) \cong \mathbb{C}^{T^B}$$

. i.e

$$L(X,\xi) = (B \ltimes (X,\xi), \pi_{\xi}, \iota_{\xi})$$

Remarks 4

 \blacktriangleright $B \ltimes (X, \xi) = L(X, \xi)$ is defined via the coequalizer diagram

$$B \flat X \xrightarrow{\kappa_{B,X}} B + X \xrightarrow{q_{\xi}} L(X,\xi) \tag{2}$$

▶ For (A, α, β) in $Pt_{\mathbf{C}}(B)$, consider the diagram

$$B \flat X \xrightarrow{\kappa_{B,X}} B + X \xrightarrow{[1,0]} B$$

$$\downarrow \xi \qquad \qquad \downarrow [\beta,\kappa] \qquad \qquad \parallel$$

$$X \xrightarrow{\kappa} A \xrightarrow{\alpha} B$$

$$(3)$$

where $(B
abla X, \kappa_{B,X})$ is the kernel of [1,0], (X,κ) is the kernel of α , and ξ is the induced morphism between these kernels. We can write $K(A,\alpha,\beta) = (X,\xi)$.

Theorem 5 ([9])

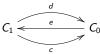
In Ω -Loop Given an object B and a T^B -algebra (X,ξ) , the semidirect product $B \ltimes (X,\xi)$ is the set-theoretical (cartesian) product $B \times X$ equipped with the following Ω -algebra structure:

$$\omega((b_1,x_1),...,(b_n,x_n)) = (\omega(b_1,...,b_n),\xi(\omega(x_1+b_1,...,x_n+b_n)-\omega(b_1,...,b_n)))$$
(4)

for each n-ary operation $\omega \in \Omega$ and for all $b_1,...,b_n \in B, \quad x_1,...,x_n \in X$.

Internal reflexive graphs, internal categories and crossed modules

Let ${\bf C}$ be a category with pullbacks. Recall that an internal reflexive graph in C is give by a diagram



where C_0 is called the "object of objects" and C_1 , the "object of arrows", such that the domain morphism d, the codomain morphism c and the identity morphism e satisfy $de = de = 1_{C_0}$.

C is endowed with an internal category structure

$$C_1 \times_{C_0} C_1 \xrightarrow[\stackrel{\pi_1}{\longrightarrow}]{\pi_2} C_1 \xrightarrow[\stackrel{e}{\longrightarrow}]{d} C_0$$

when there is a multiplication $m: C_1 \times_{C_0} C_1 \longrightarrow C_1$ satisfying the axioms

C1
$$m(1_{d(x)}, x) = x = m(x, 1_{d(x)})$$

C2
$$d(m(x,y)) = d(x)$$

C3
$$c(m(x, y)) = c(y)$$

C4
$$m(x, m(y, z)) = m(m(x, y), z)$$

where $1_X = e(X)$ and $C_1 \times_{C_0} C_1$ denotes the pullback of d and c.

We shall denote by $cat(\mathbf{C})$ the category of internal categories in C and by $RG(\mathbf{C})$ that of internal reflexive graphs.

In [6] it was shown that the notions of reflexive multiplicative graph, internal category and internal groupoid coincide

Theorem 6

If C is a C is a Maltsev category, then

- 1. any internal reflexive graph admits at most one structure reflexive-multiplicative graph;
- 2. $V: Cat(C) \longrightarrow RMG(\mathbf{C})$ and $U: Grpd(C) \longrightarrow Cat(\mathbf{C})$ are isomorphisms.

There are several algebraic and combinatorial categories equivalent to the category of crossed modules (see Brown and Spencer [5], Porter [17], for a more categorical setting). A paper for this kind of result in a semiabelian setting is [10].

One of the categories equivalent to crossed modules of groups is Cat^1 -Groups, the category of Cat^1 -groups.

Recall:

Definition 7

A crossed module (A, B, δ) consists of a homomorphism $\delta : A \to B$ together with an action of the group B on A, written as b.a such that

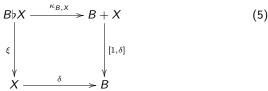
- (a) $\delta(a).a' = a + a' a$
- (b) $\delta(b.a) = b + \delta(a) b$

for all $a, a' \in A$ and $b \in B$.

In a semi-abelian category internal crossed modules are equivalent to internal categories [10].

Definition 8

An internal precrossed module in a semi-abelian category ${\bf C}$ is a 4-tuple (B,X,ξ,δ) in which (X,ξ) is a B-action and $\delta:X\longrightarrow B$ a morphism in ${\bf C}$ such that the diagram



commutes.

Definition 9

An internal crossed module in a semi-abelian category ${\bf C}$ is an internal precrossed module (B,X,ξ,δ) for which the diagram

$$(B+X)\flat X \xrightarrow{[1_B,\delta]\flat 1_X} B\flat X$$

$$\downarrow \xi$$

$$\downarrow \xi$$

$$B\flat X \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} X$$

$$(6)$$

commutes. Here, $[1_{B+X}, \iota_2]^{\sharp}$ is the unique morphism such that $\kappa_{B,X}[1_{B+X}, \iota_2]^{\sharp} = [1_{B+X}, \iota_2]\kappa_{B+X,X}$.

Theorem 10

A crossed module in a variety ${\bf V}$ of right Ω -loops is a quadruple (B,X,ξ,δ) in which (X,ξ) is a B-action and $\delta:X\longrightarrow B$ is a morphism such that for an n-ary operation $\omega\in\Omega,$

(i)

$$\omega(\delta(x_1) + b_1, ..., \delta(x_n) + b_n) - \omega(b_1, ..., b_n)$$

= $\delta(\xi(\omega(x_1 + b_1, ..., x_n + b_n) - \omega(b_1, ..., b_n)))$

(ii)

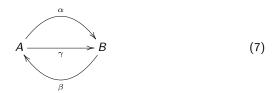
$$\xi(\omega(x'_1 + (\delta(x_1) + b_1), ..., x'_n + (\delta(x_n) + b_n)) - \omega(\delta(x_1) + b_1, ..., \delta(x_n) + b_n)) + \xi(\omega(x_1 + b_1, ..., x_n + b_n) - \omega(b_1, ..., b_n))$$

$$= \xi(\omega((x'_1 + x_1) + b_1, ..., (x'_n + x_n) + b_n) - \omega(b_1, ..., b_n))$$

Star multiplication

Definition 11

A multiplicative graph is a reflexive graph

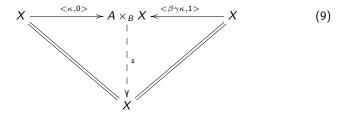


together with a binary multiplication, that is, a morphism $A \times_B A \xrightarrow{m} B$ such that the following diagram commutes;

$$A \xrightarrow{\langle 1, \beta \alpha \rangle} A \times_B A \xleftarrow{\langle \beta \gamma, 1 \rangle} A \tag{8}$$

Definition 12

[10] Let $S = (A, B, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ be an internal reflexive graph in a pointed category C with finite limits, and $\kappa: X \longrightarrow A$ a (fixed) kernel of α . The graph S is said to be star-multiplicative if there exists a unique morphism $s: A \times_B X \longrightarrow X$ making the diagram



commute; here $A \times_B X$ is defined as the pullback

Can every star-multiplicative graph in a semiabelian category be equipped with a unique internal groupoid structure? [10]

- 1. Conditions that provide a description of internal groupoids as crossed modules in the semi-abelian categories of groups and rings provided in [14].
- Using commutator theory, N. Martins-Ferreira and T. Van der Linden proved that in a semiabelian category, a reflexive graph has the "Smith is Huq" or (SH) property if and only if every star-multiplicative graph is a groupoid [15].
 - i.e If the Smith commutator coincides with the Huq commutator, then every star-multiplicative graph uniquely extends to an internal category structure.

Examples of semi-belian categories that satisfy the Smith is Huq Condition (SH) are:

- groups
- rings, not necessarily unitary
- ▶ all Orzech categories of interest [16]

The category of loops is semi-abelian but does not satisfy SH ([7], Example 4.9) G.Janelidze, L. Marki and S. Veldsman [12]

In the semi-abelian category of nearrings, it was shown by an counter-example, that the Huq and Smith commutators of ideals (normal subobjects) need not coincide.

Remark 13

A near-ring is a system $N = (N, 0, +, -, \cdot)$ in which (N, +) is a group (not necessarily abelian), (N, \cdot) is a semigroup, and the right distributive law $(x + y) \cdot z = a \cdot z + y \cdot z$ holds.

Theorem 14

An internal crossed module (B, X, ξ, δ) in Ω -RLoop corresponds to a star-multiplicative graph under the equivalence

$$PXMod(\Omega-RLoop) \approx RG(\Omega-RLoop)$$
 (11)

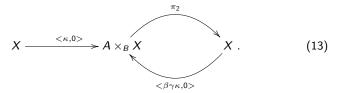
if and only if

$$\xi(\omega(\delta(x'_1) + x_1, ..., \delta(x'_n) + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n))$$

$$= \omega(x'_1 + x_1, ..., x'_n + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n).$$
(12)

for all $x_1, ..., x_n \in X, x'_1, ..., x'_n \in X$.

Consider a diagram in Ω -**RLoop** of the form

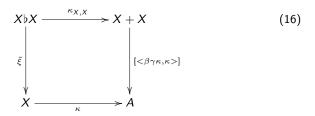


If $\bar{\xi}: X \flat X \longrightarrow X$ is the X-action on X corresponding to this split epimorphism, then $\bar{\xi}$ making the diagram

commute; that is to say that

$$<\kappa,0>\bar{\xi}=[<\beta\gamma\kappa,1>,<\kappa,0>]\kappa_{X,X} \tag{15}$$

This is equivalent to the requirement that the diagram



commutes.

By chasing this diagram, we get

$$\kappa \bar{\xi} = [\beta \gamma \kappa, \kappa] \kappa \chi, x$$

$$\iff \kappa \bar{\xi} (\omega(x'_1 + x_1, ..., x'_n + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n))$$

$$= [\beta \gamma \kappa, \kappa] \kappa \chi, \chi(\omega(x'_1 + x_1, ..., x'_n + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n))$$

$$\iff \bar{\xi} (\omega(x'_1 + x_1, ..., x'_n + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n))$$

$$= [\beta \gamma \kappa, \kappa] (\omega(x'_1 + x_1, ..., x'_n + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n))$$

$$\iff \bar{\xi} (\omega(x'_1 + x_1, ..., x'_n + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n))$$

$$= \omega(x'_1 + x_1, ..., x'_n + x_n) - \omega(x_1, ..., x_n)$$
(17)

An internal crossed module (B, X, ξ, δ) will then correspond to a star-multiplicative graph under the equivalence

$$PXMod(\Omega-RLoop) \approx RG(\Omega-RLoop)$$
 (18)

if and only if the diagram

$$X \flat X \xrightarrow{\bar{\xi}} X \tag{19}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \parallel$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \parallel$$

$$B \flat X \xrightarrow{\xi} X$$

commutes.

By the commutativity of this diagram, we have

$$\xi(\delta \flat 1)(\omega(x'_{1} + x_{1}, ..., x'_{n} + x_{n}) - \omega(x_{1}, ..., x_{n}))$$

$$= \xi(\omega(x'_{1} + x_{1}, ..., x'_{n} + x_{n}) - \omega(x_{1}, ..., x_{n}))$$

$$\iff \xi(\omega(\delta(x'_{1}) + x_{1}, ..., \delta(x'_{n}) + x_{n}) - \omega(x_{1}, ..., x_{n}))$$

$$= \omega(x'_{1} + x_{1}, ..., x'_{n} + x_{n}) - \omega(x_{1}, ..., x_{n})$$
(20)

Corollary 15

In the category **Grp** of groups every star-multiplicative graph extends to an internal category structure.

Proof.

In equation 14 let $\,\omega\,$ be the binary +. Then

$$\xi((\delta(x'_1) + x_1) + (\delta(x'_2) + x_2) - (x_1 + x_2))$$

$$= (x'_1 + x_1) + (x'_2 + x_2) - (x_1 + x_2)$$

$$\iff \xi(\delta(x'_1) + x_1 + \delta(x'_2) - x_1) = x'_1 + x_1 + x'_2 - x_1$$
(21)

Since this equation holds for all $x_1, x_1', x_2, x_2' \in X$, we can substitute $x_1' = 0$. We then have

$$\xi(x_1 + \delta(x_2') - x_1) = x_1 + x_2' - x_1; \tag{22}$$

that is, $\delta(x_1).x_2' = x_1 + x_2' - x_1$, (the Peiffer condition for crossed modules in groups).

This confirms (see [10], Remark 4.7) that every star multiplicative graph in the category of groups is an internal category.

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