

Hypergroup associated with hyperset

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Abstract

The objective of this paper is the study of hypergroup associated with a hyperset. In this paper we show that from an S -hyperset (Q, \circ') we can derive a hypergroup (Q, \circ) , called the associate hypergroup of the S -hyperset (Q, \circ') and we study some properties of this hypergroup (Q, \circ) .

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1. Introduction

Hyperstructure theory was surfaced up in 1934 when F. Marty [10] defined hypergroups. Since then many researchers have studied in this field and published several papers on it. Sen, Ameri and Chowdhury [11] introduce the notion of hyperset and studied some algebraic structures on it. In this paper we derive a hypergroup from a hyperset and study some properties of hyperset in the light of associate hypergroup. We recall some definitions and theorems on hyperset and hypergroup from [4], [5], [11], [12] which are needed to develop this paper.

Throughout the paper S denotes a monoid, Q denotes a non-empty set and $P(Q)$ denotes the set of all subsets of Q .

2. Hyperset and Hypergroup

Definition 2.1. [11] A (left) hyperaction of S on Q is a mapping $\circ' : S \times Q \mapsto P(Q)$ (usually denoted by $\circ'(x, q) \mapsto x \circ' q$) for all $x \in S$ and $q \in Q$.

Let $A \in P(Q)$ and $x \in S$. We define $x \circ' A \in P(Q)$ by

$$x \circ' A = \begin{cases} \bigcup_{a \in A} (x \circ' a), & \text{if } A \neq \emptyset \\ \emptyset, & \text{if } A = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

If there exists a hyperaction \circ' of S on Q such that

- (i) $(xy) \circ' q = x \circ' (y \circ' q)$
- (ii) $q \in 1 \circ' q$, for all $x, y \in S$ and $q \in Q$, then we say that (Q, \circ') is an S -hyperset of type1.

If there exists a hyperaction \circ' of S on Q such that

- (i) $(xy) \circ' q = x \circ' (y \circ' q)$
- (ii) $1 \circ' q = \{q\}$, for all $x, y \in S$ and $q \in Q$, then we say that (Q, \circ') is an S -hyperset of type2.

An S -hyperset of type2 is always an S -hyperset of type1. Unless otherwise stated a hyperset means an S -hyperset of type2.

Definition 2.2. [4] A hyperoperation on a nonempty set H is a mapping $\circ : H \times H \longrightarrow P(H)$ (usually denoted by $\circ(x, y) \longrightarrow x \circ y$) for all $x, y \in H$.

Let $A, B \in P(H)$ and $x \in H$. We define $A \circ B, x \circ A, A \circ x \in P(H)$ by

$$A \circ B = \begin{cases} \cup\{a \circ b : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}, & \text{if } A \neq \emptyset \text{ and } B \neq \emptyset \\ \emptyset, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$x \circ A = \begin{cases} \cup\{x \circ a : a \in A\}, & \text{if } A \neq \emptyset \\ \emptyset, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$A \circ x = \begin{cases} \cup\{a \circ x : a \in A\}, & \text{if } A \neq \emptyset \\ \emptyset, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then $x \circ \phi = \phi \circ x = \phi$.

A set H together with a hyperoperation \circ is called a hypergroupoid and is denoted by (H, \circ) .

Definition 2.3. [4] A hypergroupoid (H, \circ) is called a semihypergroup if

$$a \circ (b \circ c) = (a \circ b) \circ c \text{ for all } a, b, c \in H.$$

Definition 2.4. [4] A semihypergroup (H, \circ) is called a hypergroup if

$$H \circ a = a \circ H = H \text{ for all } a \in H.$$

Definition 2.5. [4] A hypergroup (H, \circ) is called a commutative hypergroup if

$$a \circ b = b \circ a \text{ for all } a, b \in H.$$

Note 2.6. Let (H, \circ) be a hypergroup. Let $a, b \in H$ such that $a \circ b = \emptyset$. Then $H \circ (a \circ b) = \emptyset$. But $H \circ (a \circ b) = \cup\{h \circ (a \circ b) : h \in H\} = \cup\{(h \circ a) \circ b : h \in H\} = (H \circ a) \circ b = H \circ b = H$. Therefore $H = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction. Therefore $a \circ b \neq \emptyset$ for all $a, b \in H$.

There are semihypergroups (H, \circ) where $a \circ b$ may be empty for some $a, b \in H$.

Example 2.7. Let $H = \{2, 3, 4\}$. Let $a, b \in H$. Define a hyperoperation \circ on H by

$$a \circ b = \{p \in H : p \neq 1 \text{ and } p \text{ divides both of } a \text{ and } b\}.$$

\circ	2	3	4
2	{2}	ϕ	{2}
3	ϕ	{3}	ϕ
4	{2}	ϕ	{2, 4}

Then (H, \circ) is a semihypergroup, where $a \circ b$ may be empty for some $a, b \in H$.

Throughout this paper we follow the convention of the book [4] i.e. we assume that $a \circ b \neq \emptyset$ for all $a, b \in H$.

Theorem 2.8. [4] A semihypergroup (H, \circ) is a hypergroup if and only if

$$a, b \in H \text{ there exist } x, y \in H \text{ such that } b \in a \circ x \text{ and } b \in y \circ a.$$

We give an example of a semihypergroup which is not a hypergroup

Example 2.9. Let $H = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Let $a, b \in H$. Define a hyperoperation \circ on H by

$$a \circ b = \{p \in H : p \text{ divides both of } a \text{ and } b\}.$$

\circ	1	2	3	4
1	{1}	{1}	{1}	{1}
2	{1}	{1, 2}	{1}	{1, 2}
3	{1}	{1}	{1, 3}	{1}
4	{1}	{1, 2}	{1}	{1, 2, 4}

Then (H, \circ) is a semihypergroup. Choose $a = 2$ and $b = 3$. There exist no $x, y \in H$ such that $b \in a \circ x$ and $b \in y \circ a$. Therefore (H, \circ) is not a hypergroup.

Definition 2.10. [4] Let (H, \circ) be a semihypergroup and K be a nonempty subset of H . Then (K, \circ) is a subsemihypergroup of H if K is itself a semihypergroup under the hyperoperation \circ restricted to K . It is clear that a nonempty subset K of H is a subsemihypergroup if and only if $K \circ K \subseteq K$.

Theorem 2.11. [4] Let (H, \circ) be a semihypergroup. A nonempty subset K of (H, \circ) is a subsemihypergroup if and only if

$$a, b \in K \implies a \circ b \subseteq K \text{ for all } a, b \in H.$$

Theorem 2.12. [4] A subsemihypergroup (K, \circ) of a hypergroup (H, \circ) is said to be subhypergroup if (K, \circ) is itself a hypergroup. It is clear that a subsemihypergroup (K, \circ) is a subhypergroup if and only if

$$a \circ K = K \circ a = K \text{ for all } a \in K.$$

It can be shown that the Intersection (if it is nonempty) of subsemihypergroups of a semihypergroup is a subsemihypergroup.

Theorem 2.13. [4] Nonempty intersection of two subsemihypergroups of a semihypergroup is a subhypergroup.

3. Associate hypergroup

In this section we show that from an S -hyperset (Q, \circ') we can derive a hypergroup (Q, \circ) , called the associate hypergroup of the S -hyperset (Q, \circ') . Then study some properties of (Q, \circ') in the light of the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) .

Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. To develop the section we need the following Lemma:

Lemma 3.1. Let A and B be two subsets of an S -hyperset (Q, \circ') and $x \in S$. Then

- (i) $A \subseteq B \implies x \circ' A \subseteq x \circ' B$
- (ii) $x \circ' (A \cup B) = (x \circ' A) \cup (x \circ' B)$ and
- (iii) $x \circ' (A \cap B) \subseteq (x \circ' A) \cap (x \circ' B)$.

Proof.

- (i) $x \circ' A = \cup\{x \circ' a : a \in A\} \subseteq \cup\{x \circ' a : a \in B\} = x \circ' B$.
- (ii) $A \subseteq A \cup B$ and $B \subseteq A \cup B \implies x \circ' A \subseteq x \circ' (A \cup B)$ and $x \circ' B \subseteq x \circ' (A \cup B) \implies (x \circ' A) \cup (x \circ' B) \subseteq x \circ' (A \cup B)$.
Conversely $p \in x \circ' (A \cup B) \implies p \in x \circ' q$ for some $q \in A \cup B \implies p \in x \circ' q$, where $q \in A$ or $q \in B \implies p \in x \circ' A$ or $p \in x \circ' B \implies p \in (x \circ' A) \cup (x \circ' B) \implies x \circ' (A \cup B) \subseteq (x \circ' A) \cup (x \circ' B)$. Therefore $x \circ' (A \cup B) = (x \circ' A) \cup (x \circ' B)$ for all $x \in S$.

(iii) We have $A \cap B \subseteq A$ and $A \cap B \subseteq B$. Then $x \circ' (A \cap B) \subseteq x \circ' A$ and $x \circ' (A \cap B) \subseteq x \circ' B$. Therefore $x \circ' (A \cap B) \subseteq (x \circ' A) \cap (x \circ' B)$. ■

Theorem 3.2. Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. Define a hyperoperation \circ on Q by

$$p \circ q = S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q \text{ for all } p, q \in Q.$$

Then (Q, \circ) is a hypergroup.

Proof. Since $p \in S \circ' p$ and $q \in S \circ' q$, we have $p, q \in p \circ q$. Therefore $p \circ q \neq \emptyset$. Let $p, q, r \in Q$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (p \circ q) \circ r &= \cup\{u \circ r : u \in p \circ q\} \\ &= \cup\{S \circ' u \cup S \circ' r : u \in p \circ q\} \\ &= (\cup\{S \circ' u : u \in S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q\}) \cup S \circ' r \\ &= (S \circ' (S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q)) \cup S \circ' r \\ &= ((S \circ' (S \circ' p)) \cup (S \circ' (S \circ' q))) \cup S \circ' r \text{ (using Lemma 3.1)} \\ &= ((SS) \circ' p \cup (SS) \circ' q) \cup S \circ' r \\ &= S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q \cup S \circ' r \\ &= p \circ (q \circ r). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that (Q, \circ) is a semihypergroup. Let $p \in Q$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} p \circ Q &= \cup\{p \circ q : q \in Q\} \\ &= \cup\{S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q : q \in Q\} \\ &= S \circ' p \cup (\cup\{S \circ' q : q \in Q\}) \\ &= \cup\{S \circ' q : q \in Q\} \\ &= S \circ' Q \\ &= Q. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can show that $Q \circ p = Q$ for all $p \in Q$. It follows that (Q, \circ) is a hypergroup.

Since $p \circ q = q \circ p$ for all $p, q \in Q$, therefore (Q, \circ) is a commutative hypergroup. It is obvious that $p^2 = p \circ p = S \circ' p$ for all $p \in Q$. Then $p \circ q = S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q = p \circ p \cup q \circ q = p^2 \cup q^2$ for all $p, q \in Q$. Since $p \circ q \circ r = S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q \cup S \circ' r$, we have $p^3 = p \circ p \circ p = S \circ' p \cup S \circ' p \cup S \circ' p = S \circ' p = p^2$. Therefore $p^n = p^2$ for all positive integer $n(\geq 2)$. ■

Definition 3.3. Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. Define a hyperoperation \circ on Q by

$$p \circ q = S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q \text{ for all } p, q \in Q.$$

By the Theorem 3.2, (Q, \circ) is a hypergroup. The hypergroup (Q, \circ) is called the associate hypergroup of the hyperset (Q, \circ') .

Definition 3.4. [11] Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. A nonempty subset P of Q is said to be a subhyperset if

$$x \circ' P \subseteq P \text{ for all } x \in S.$$

Lemma 3.5. [3] Let P be a subset of an S -hyperset (Q, \circ') . Then $P \subseteq S \circ' P$.

Theorem 3.6. [3] Let P be a nonempty subset of an S -hyperset (Q, \circ') . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) P is a subhyperset of Q .
- (ii) $S \circ' P \subseteq P$.
- (iii) $S \circ' P = P$.

Theorem 3.7. [11] Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. Then

- (i) Q is itself a subhyperset.
- (ii) For each $q \in Q$, $S \circ' q$ is the smallest subhyperset containing q .
- (iii) Union and Intersection of two subhypersets are subhyper sets.

Definition 3.8. [3] An S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is said to be connected if for all $p, q \in Q$ there exists $x \in S$ such that $p \in x \circ' q$.

Definition 3.9. [3] An S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is said to be simple if it has no proper subhyperset.

Theorem 3.10. [3] Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) (Q, \circ') is connected,
- (ii) $S \circ' q = Q$ for all $q \in Q$,
- (iii) (Q, \circ') is simple.

Theorem 3.11. Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset and (Q, \circ) be the associate hypergroup. Let P be a nonempty subset of Q . Then (P, \circ') is a subhyperset of (Q, \circ') if and only if (P, \circ) is a subhypergroup of (Q, \circ) .

Proof. Let (P, \circ') be a subhyperset of (Q, \circ') and $p, q \in P$. Then $p \circ q = S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q$. By the Theorem 3.6, $p \circ q \subseteq P \cup P = P \implies (P, \circ)$ is a subsemihypergroup of (Q, \circ) .

Let $p \in P$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 p \circ P &= \cup\{p \circ q : q \in P\} \\
 &= \cup\{S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q : q \in P\} \\
 &= S \circ' p \cup (\cup\{S \circ' q : q \in P\}) \\
 &= \cup\{S \circ' q : q \in Q\} \\
 &= S \circ' P \\
 &= P
 \end{aligned}$$

(Using the Theorem 3.6). (Q, \circ) being commutative hypergroup, $p \circ P = P \circ p = P$ for all $p \in P \implies (P, \circ)$ is a subhypergroup of (Q, \circ) .

Conversely assume that (P, \circ) is a subhypergroup of (Q, \circ) . Then $S \circ' P = \cup\{S \circ' p : p \in P\} = \cup\{p \circ p : p \in P\} \subseteq P \circ P = P \implies (P, \circ')$ is a subhyperset of (Q, \circ') . ■

Lemma 3.12. Let (A, \circ) and (B, \circ) be two subhypergroups of the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) of the hyperset (Q, \circ') . Then $A \circ B = A \cup B$.

Proof. Given that (A, \circ) and (B, \circ) are subhypergroups of the hypergroup (Q, \circ) . By the Theorem 3.11, (A, \circ') and (B, \circ') are subhypersets of the S -hyperset (Q, \circ') . Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \circ B &= \cup\{p \circ q : p \in A, q \in B\} \\
 &= \cup\{S \circ' p \cup S \circ' q : p \in A, q \in B\} \\
 &= S \circ' A \cup S \circ' B \\
 &= A \cup B
 \end{aligned}$$

(Using the Theorem 3.6). ■

Definition 3.13. A commutative hypergroup (H, \circ) is said to be inner irreducible if

$$H = H_1 \circ H_2 \implies H_1 \cap H_2 \neq \emptyset, \text{ for any pair of subhypergroups } (H_1, \circ) \text{ and } (H_2, \circ).$$

Definition 3.14. [3] A subhyperset (P, \circ') of an S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is said to be co-subhyperset of Q if $Q \setminus P$ is also a subhyperset of Q . From definition it is clear that if P be a co-subhyperset then $Q \setminus P$ is also a co-subhyperset.

Theorem 3.15. The associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) of an hyperset (Q, \circ') is inner irreducible if and only if the hyperset (Q, \circ') has no co-subhyperset.

Proof. Let the hypergroup (Q, \circ) be inner irreducible. Let (P, \circ') be a co-subhyperset of (Q, \circ') . Then (P, \circ') and $(Q \setminus P, \circ')$ are subhypersets of (Q, \circ') . By the Theorem 3.11, (P, \circ) and $(Q \setminus P, \circ)$ are subhypergroups of (Q, \circ) .

$$\text{Now } Q = P \cup Q \setminus P = P \circ (Q \setminus P) \quad (\text{using Lemma 3.12}).$$

The associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) is inner irreducible and $Q = P \circ Q \setminus P$. Then by

Definition 3.13. $P \cap Q \setminus P \neq \emptyset$, which is a contradiction. It follows that the hyperset (Q, \circ') has no co-subhyperset. Conversely assume that the hyperset (Q, \circ') has no co-subhyperset.

Let (A, \circ) and (B, \circ) be two subhypergroups of the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) such that $Q = A \circ B$. By the Theorem 3.11, (A, \circ') and (B, \circ') are subhypersets of (Q, \circ') . By the Lemma 3.12, $Q = A \cup B$. We show that $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$.

Let $A \cap B = \emptyset$. Since $Q = A \cup B$, we have $B = Q \setminus A$ and $A = Q \setminus B$. This implies that both of (A, \circ') and (B, \circ') are co-subhypersets of (Q, \circ') , which contradicts the hypothesis. Therefore $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$. It follows that the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) is inner irreducible. ■

Definition 3.16. [2] Let (H, \circ) be a hypergroup. If there is an element $h \in H$ such that $H = \cup\{h^n : n \geq 1\}$ then we say that (H, \circ) is a cyclic hypergroup generated by h . The element h is called a generating element of the cyclic hypergroup (H, \circ) .

If there is a positive integer n such that $H = h^n$ then the cyclic hypergroup (H, \circ) is called n -single power cyclic and h is called n -generating element of the hypergroup.

In the following theorem we show a correspondence between the connectedness of the S -hyperset (Q, \circ') and the cyclicity of the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) .

Theorem 3.17. A hyperset (Q, \circ') is connected if and only if the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) is 2-single power cyclic and each $p \in Q$ is a 2-generating element of the hypergroup (Q, \circ) .

Proof. Let the S -hyperset (Q, \circ') be connected. Then by the Theorem 3.10, $S \circ' p = Q$ for all $p \in Q$. Therefore $Q = p \circ p = p^2$ for all $p \in Q$. This shows that the hypergroup (Q, \circ) is 2-single power cyclic and each $p \in Q$ is a 2-generating element of the hypergroup (Q, \circ) .

Conversely assume that the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) is 2-single power cyclic and each $p \in Q$ is a 2-generating element of the hypergroup (Q, \circ) . Then $Q = p^2 = p \circ p$ for all $p \in Q$. Therefore $Q = S \circ' p$ for all $p \in Q$. Then by the Theorem 3.10, the S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is connected. ■

Theorem 3.18. [3] Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. We define a relation τ on Q by

$$q \tau p \iff \text{either } q = p \text{ or there exists } x \in S \text{ such that } p \in x \circ' q \text{ for all } p, q \in Q.$$

Then the relation $\tau^* = \cup\{(\tau \cup \tau^{-1})^n : n \geq 1\}$ is an equivalence relation on Q containing τ and satisfying the property $p \in x \circ' q \implies q \tau^* p$ for all $p, q \in Q$ and $x \in S$.

Theorem 3.19. [3] Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset and P be a co-subhyperset of Q . Then $p \in P, p \tau^* q \implies q \in P$.

Theorem 3.20. [3] Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. Then for each $q \in Q$ the equivalence class $q \tau^*$ is an indecomposable subhyperset of Q .

Definition 3.21. Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. Let $x \in S$ and $q, p \in Q$ be such that $p \in x \circ' q$. If there is an element $y \in S$ such that $q \in y \circ' p$ then we say that the S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is retrievable.

Theorem 3.22. An S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is retrievable if and only if $\tau = \tau^*$.

Proof. By the Definition 3.21, we say that an S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is retrievable if and only if $\tau = \tau^{-1}$.

Let $\tau = \tau^{-1}$. Then τ is an equivalence relation and hence $\tau = \tau^*$. Let $\tau = \tau^*$. Then $\tau^{-1} \subseteq \tau \cup \tau^{-1} \subseteq \tau^* = \tau$. Again $(p, q) \in \tau \implies (q, p) \in \tau^{-1} \subseteq \tau \implies (q, p) \in \tau \implies (p, q) \in \tau^{-1} \implies \tau \subseteq \tau^{-1}$. It follows that $\tau = \tau^{-1}$. Thus we get $\tau = \tau^{-1}$ if and only if $\tau = \tau^*$. ■

Definition 3.23. Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset and T be a nonempty subset of Q . We define a subset $\sigma_Q(T)$ of Q as follows:

$$\sigma_Q(T) = \{p \in Q : \text{there exists } x \in S \text{ such that } x \circ' p \cap T \neq \emptyset\}$$

Theorem 3.24. Let (Q, \circ') be an S -hyperset. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) (Q, \circ') is retrievable.
- (ii) $\sigma_Q(P) = P$ for all subhypersets (P, \circ') of (Q, \circ') .
- (iii) Every subhyperset of (Q, \circ') is a co-subhyperset.

Proof. (i) \implies (ii).

Let (Q, \circ') be retrievable and (P, \circ') be a subhyperset of (Q, \circ') . Let $p \in P$. Then by Definition 3.4, $x \circ' p \subseteq P$ for all $x \in S \implies x \circ' p \cap P \neq \emptyset$ for all $x \in S \implies p \in \sigma_Q(P) \implies P \subseteq \sigma_Q(P)$.

Again $p \in \sigma_Q(P) \implies x \circ' p \cap P \neq \emptyset$ for some $x \in S \implies$ there exists $q \in Q$ such that $q \in x \circ' p$ and $q \in P \implies$ there is $y \in S$ such that $p \in y \circ' q$ and $q \in P$ (since (Q, \circ') is retrievable) $\implies p \in S \circ' P \subseteq P$ (since (P, \circ') is a subhyperset of (Q, \circ')) $\implies \sigma_Q(P) \subseteq P$.

It follows that $\sigma_Q(P) = P$.

(ii) \implies (iii).

Let $\sigma_Q(P) = P$ for all subhypersets (P, \circ') of (Q, \circ') . We show that $(Q \setminus P, \circ')$ is a subhyperset of (Q, \circ') . Let $p \in Q \setminus P$. Then $p \notin P \implies p \notin \sigma_Q(P) \implies x \circ' p \cap P = \emptyset$ for all $x \in S \implies x \circ' p \subseteq Q \setminus P$ for all $x \in S \implies (Q \setminus P, \circ')$ is a subhyperset of $(Q, \circ') \implies (P, \circ')$ is a co-subhyperset of (Q, \circ') .

(iii) \implies (i).

Let every subhyperset of (Q, \circ') is a co-subhyperset. Let $p, q \in Q$ and $x \in S$ be such that $p \in x \circ' q$. Then $(x \circ' q) \cap (S \circ' p) \neq \emptyset$. We show that there exists $y \in S$ such that

$q \in y \circ' p$. If possible let $q \notin y \circ' p$ for all $y \in S \implies q \notin S \circ' p \implies q \in Q \setminus (S \circ' p)$. By the Theorem 3.7, $S \circ' p$ is a subhyperset and by hypothesis $S \circ' p$ is a co-subhyperset. Then $\implies x \circ' q \subset Q \setminus (S \circ' p) \implies (x \circ' q) \cap (S \circ' p) = \emptyset$, a contradiction. This follows that the hyperset (Q, \circ') is retrievable. ■

Theorem 3.25. An S -hyperset (Q, \circ') is retrievable. Then every inner irreducible subhypergroup of the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) is 2-single power cyclic.

Proof. Let (Q, \circ') be retrievable and (P, \circ) be a inner irreducible subhypergroup of the associate hypergroup (Q, \circ) . By the Theorem 3.11, (P, \circ') is a subhyperset of (Q, \circ') . By the Theorem 3.15, the subhyperset (P, \circ') has no co-subhyperset. Now $p \in P \implies (S \circ' p, \circ')$ is a subhyperset of (P, \circ') but $(P \setminus S \circ' p, \circ')$ is not a subhyperset of (P, \circ') . We assert that $P = S \circ' p$. Otherwise $P \setminus S \circ' p \neq \emptyset \implies$ there exists $q \in P \setminus S \circ' p \implies$ there must exists $x \in S$ such that $x \circ' q \cap S \circ' p \neq \emptyset \implies$ there exists $r \in x \circ' q$ and $r \in S \circ' p$. (Q, \circ') is retrievable and $r \in x \circ' q \implies$ there exists $z \in S$ such that $q \in z \circ' r$. Now $q \in z \circ' r$ and $r \in S \circ' p \implies q \in S \circ' p \implies q \in S \circ' p$, a contradiction. Therefore $P = S \circ' p = p \circ p = p^2 \implies$ the subhypergroup (P, \circ') is 2-single power cyclic. ■

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