#### **ORIGINAL PAPER**

# **ON SUBULTRA-GROUPS**

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Abstract. In this work subultra-groups of an ultra-group of a subgroup over a finite group are studied. Also, a subultra-group generated by a subset of an ultra-group is worked and then all the elements are determined in terms of the subset. Moreover, in which conditions the intersection of two normal subultra-groups is normal subultra-group is given. Quotient ultra-groups are also studied.

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### **1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES**

Among this work G is considered as a finite group and e is the identity of G. Before introducing ultra-groups we firstly should mention about the transversal property of set pairs. For a given group G and subsets H and U if h = h' and u = u', for every  $h \in H$  and  $u \in U$  while uh = h'u' then we call the pair of subsets (H, U) transversal. We can apply the transversal property to subgroups. If H and U are subgroups then (H, U) is transversal iff  $H \cap U = \{e\}$ . In this work, we study the case where H is a subgroup and U is a nonempty subset. In that case the pair (H, U) being transversal is when  $|U \cap H_g| \leq 1$  for all g of G. In [2] an ultra-group U is of the subgroup H over the group G is defined by the operations  $\alpha : U \times U \to U$  and  $\beta_h : U \to U$  where (H, U) is transversal.

There are few publications on this new definition. The concept was first introduced in [1]. In the paper ultra-group homomorphism and fundamental properties are presented over the definition. The definition led to the investigation the category of ultra-groups in [2]. Then free ultra-groups, generators, and relations are studied in [3]. Finally in [4] some examples are given for ultra-groups with the help of GAP programming language.

In Section 2 we give the basic definitions and theorems which is used in this work, which were introduced in [2].

In Section 3 some subultra-group properties are presented, and the subultra-group of a generating set is introduced. It is well known that the normal subgroup intersection of a group is a normal subgroup. But for normal subultra-groups, we noticed that the intersection of normal subultra-groups need not be a normal subultra-group.

Finally in Section 4 quotient ultra-groups are studied. Throughout this paper, all fundamental definitions and theorems can be found in [5].

From now on we will give several definitions and theorems which are presented in [1].

**Definition 1.1.** A transversal is a set that contains only one element from each part of the partition. If  $H \leq G$ , then a transversal for the partition is denoted by  $H \setminus G(G/H)$ .



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Let *H* be a subgroup of *G* and *U* a subset of *G*. It is shown in [2] that G = HU = UH when  $|U \cap H_g| = 1$  for all  $g \in G$ . It means, for every  $g = uh \in UH$  we have uh = h'u' for unique  $h' \in H$  and  $u' \in U$ .

**Definition 1.2.** For given subgroup H of the group G a subset U of G is said to be (right unitary) complementary set of the subgroup H, if for any elements  $u \in U$  and  $h \in H$  there are the unique elements  $h' \in H$  and  $u' \in U$  such that uh = h'u' and  $e \in U$ . We will denote h' by  ${}^{u}h$  and u' by  $u^{h}$ .

Since  $U \subseteq G$  for any elements  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  there are unique elements  $[u_1, u_2] \in U$  and  $(u_1, u_2) \in H$  such that  $u_1 u_2 = (u_1, u_2)[u_1, u_2]$ . If  $x \in U$  there exists  $u^{-1} \in G$ . As G = HU, there is  $x^{(-1)} \in H$  and  $x^{[-1]} \in U$  such that  $x^{-1} = x^{(-1)}x^{[-1]}$ .

**Definition 1.3.** A complementary set  ${}_{H}U$  is is called (right) ultra-group of H over group G with the operations  $\alpha : {}_{H}U \times {}_{H}U \to {}_{H}U$  and  $\beta_h : {}_{H}U \to {}_{H}U$  with  $\alpha((u_1, u_2)) := [u_1, u_2]$  and  $\beta_h(u) := u^h$  for all  $h \in H$ .

From now on, we will continue with the right ultra group and will denote it by U. If [u, v] = [v, u] for all elements  $u, v \in U$  then the ultra-group U is called abelian. One can easily observe that every group is an ultra-group but the converse does not hold. A remarkable property of right ultra-groups is that every element does not have a right inverse, but they have a left inverse. The  $\alpha$  operation of an ultra-group U has the right cancellation. Namely if [v, u] = [w, u] for  $u, v, w \in U$ , then we conclude v = w. We observe that we do not have left cancellations for the right ultra-groups.

**Proposition 1.4.** The following statements hold for any ultra-group U of subgroup H over the group G.

- (i)  $u^{hh'} = (u^h)^{h'}$ ,
- (ii)  $[u, v]^h = [u^{(v_h)}, v^h],$
- (iii)  $[[u, v], w] = [u^{(v,w)}, [v, w]],$
- (iv)  $e^{h} = e_{,u}e^{e} = u_{,u}e^{e}$
- (v) [e, u] = u = [u, e],
- (vi)  $[u^{-1}, u] = e = [u^{(u^{(-1)})}, u^{[-1]}]$ , for  $u, v, w \in U$  and  $h, h' \in H$ .

**Definition 1.5.** If U is an ultra-group of *H* over *G* then  $S \subset U$  with *e*, is called the subultragroup of *H* over *G*, if *S* is an ultra-group with operations  $\alpha$  and  $\beta_h$  of *U*.

If X, Y are two subsets of the ultra-group U, then [X, Y] is the set of all [x, y], where  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ . If Y is a singleton  $\{y\}$  then we use [X, y] instead of [X, y]. Moreover, if X is a subultra-group of ultra-group U and  $y \in U$ , then the subset [X, y] is called a right coset of X in U.

**Lemma 1.6.** For given subultra-group S of an ultra-group U over the subgroup H of the group G we have,

- (i)  $[x^{(y^{(-1)})}, y^{[-1]}] \in S \Leftrightarrow x = [s, y]$  for some  $s \in S$ .
- (ii) The relation  $\sigma$  defined as:  $x\sigma y \Leftrightarrow x = [s, y]$  for some  $s \in S$  on U is an equivalence relation.

**Theorem 1.7.** If *U* is an ultra-group over the subgroup *H* of the group *G* and *T* is a subgroup of *G* which satisfies  $T \subseteq H$ , then T = HS for some subultra-group *S* of *U*. Moreover if  $S_i$ , (i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n) are subultra-groups of the ultra-group Usatisfying  $S_i \subseteq S_{i+1}$  for then  $K_i = HS_i$  for subgroups with  $K_i \subseteq K_{i+1}$  of *G*.

**Definition 1.8.** For given ultra-group U over the subgroup H of the group G and a congruence  $\sigma$  over U, the set  $U/\sigma = \{[u]_{\sigma} \mid u \in U\}$  with the operations  $\alpha_{\sigma}$  and  $\beta_{\sigma_h}$  given as,

(i)  $\alpha_{\sigma} ([u]_{\sigma}, [u']_{\sigma}) = [\alpha(u, u')]_{\sigma}$ 

(ii)  $\beta_{\sigma_h}([u]_{\sigma}) = [\beta_h(u)]_{\sigma}$  is an ultra-group of K over the group G, where  $H \le K \le G$ . is called a quotient ultra-group.

**Definition 1.9.** The subultra-group *N* of an ultra-group *U* over the subgroup *H* of the group *G* is said to be normal if [u, [N, v]] = [N, [u, v]], for all  $a, b \in U$ .

**Lemma 1.10.** The following are holds for a normal subultra-group N of an ultra-group U over the subgroup H of the group G,

- (i) for all  $u \in U$ , [u, N] = [N, u],
- (ii) for all  $u, v \in U$ , [[N, u], [N, v]] = [N, [u, v]],
- (iii) If [N, v] = N, then  $v \in N$ ,
- (iv) If S is a subultra-group of U, then [N, S] is a subultra-group of U. Also if S is a normal subultra-group of U then [N, S] is a normal subultra-group of U.

**Theorem 1.11.** If S is a subultra-group of an ultra-group U, then the equivalence relation  $\sigma$  is a congruence if and only if S is a normal subultra-group U.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

## 2.1. ON SUBULTRA-GROUPS

**Lemma 2.1.1.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G* and  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  be subultra-groups of *U*. Then  $S_1 \cap S_2$  is also a subultra-group of *U*.

*Proof:* Let  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  be subultra-groups of U. Obviously  $e \in S_1 \cap S_2$ . If  $s_1, s_2 \in S_1 \cap S_2$  then

$$\alpha(s_1, s_2) \in S_1$$
 and  $\beta_h(s_1) \in S_1$ 

for every  $h \in H$  since  $S_1$  is a subultra-group of U. As well as

$$\alpha(s_1, s_2), \beta_h(s_2) \in S_2$$

because  $S_2$  is a subultra-group of U. So, we have

$$\alpha(s_1, s_2), \beta_h(s_2) \in S_1 \cap S_2$$

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and  $S_1 \cap S_2$  is a subultra-group of U.

**Corollary 2.1.2.** The subultra-group mentioned in Theorem (1.7) is an ultra-group of *H* over the group *K*.

*Proof:* Clearly  $e \in S$ . Since = HS, S is a complementary set with operations  $\alpha$  and  $\beta_h$ . Hence S is an ultra-group of H over the group K.

**Corollary 2.1.3.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of *H* over the group *G*, and  $S_i$  for i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n be subultra-groups of the ultra-group *U* such that  $S_i \subseteq S_{i+1}$  for i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n - 1. Then we have subgroups  $K_i = HS_i$  for i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n of group *G* such that  $K_i \subseteq K_{i+1}$  for i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n - 1 and  $\leq K_i \leq G$ . If *H* is a maximal subgroup of *G* then one of the followings hold:

- (i) U has no subultra-group except itself.
- (ii) All the subultra-groups of U are ultra-groups of H over the group G
- (iii) Subultra-group S is a complementary set of H in G.

*Proof:* Seen by Theorem (1.7).

If we define the smallest of the complementary sets that contain e and are closed under the binary and unary operations  $\alpha$  and  $\beta_h$  as minimal ultra-group then the (iii) would be equivalent (i) or (ii).

**Definition 2.1.4.** Let U be an ultra-group of the subgroup H over the group G. The set  $Z(U) = \{u \in U \mid [u, u'] = [u', u], \forall u' \in U\}$  is called the center of U.

**Corollary 2.1.5.** Let U be an ultra-group of the subgroup H over the group G. Then

$$U \cap Z(G) \subseteq Z(U).$$

*Proof*: Let  $u \in U \cap Z(G)$ . For every  $u' \in U$  we can write:

$$uu' = (u, u')[u, u']$$
 and  $u'u = (u', u)[u', u]$ 

Since U is an ultra-group by uniqueness property for ultra-groups implies

$$uu' = (u, u')[u, u'] = (u', u)[u', u] = u'u$$

 $\Rightarrow$  [u, u'] = [u', u]

Therefore  $u \in Z(U)$  and  $U \cap Z(G) \subseteq Z(U)$ .

**Definition 2.1.6.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G*,  $e \in X \subseteq U$  and  $S_i$  be subultra-groups of *U*. Then the intersection of subultra-groups  $S_i$  is denoted by;

$$\langle X \rangle = \bigcap_{X \subseteq S_i} S_i$$

**Corollary 2.1.7.**  $\langle X \rangle$  defined in Definition (2.1.6) is a subultra-group of U.

*Proof:* It is clear by Lemma (2.1.1).

**Theorem 2.1.8.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G* and  $\langle X \rangle$  be the subultra-group defined in Definition (2.1.6). Then

 $\langle X \rangle = \left\{ \left[ \cdots \left[ \left[ [x_1, x_2], x_3 \right] \cdots \right], x_n \right] \middle| x_i \in X \right\}$ Here the element  $\left[ \cdots \left[ \left[ [x_1, x_2], x_3 \right] \cdots \right], x_n \right]$  is denoted by  $\alpha^n$  in [3] where  $\alpha$  is the binary operation of U.

Proof: Let

$$T = \left\{ \left[ \cdots \left[ \left[ [x_1, x_2], x_3 \right] \cdots \right], x_n \right] \middle| x_i \in X \right\}$$

Firstly, since for every  $x_i \in X$  we have  $x_i \in S_i$  and  $S_i$  are subultra-groups then for arbitrary

$$k = \left[ \cdots \left[ \left[ [x_1, x_2], x_3 \right] \cdots \right], x_n \right] \in S_i \Rightarrow k \in \bigcap_{X \subseteq S_i} S_i = \langle X \rangle$$

In this case  $T \subseteq \langle X \rangle$ . In contrary to every  $x \in \langle X \rangle \Rightarrow x \in S_i$  and by Proposition (1.4) (v)  $x = [e, x] \in T$  and therefore  $\langle X \rangle \subseteq T$ . Then we conclude

$$\langle X \rangle = T = \left\{ \left[ \cdots \left[ \left[ [x_1, x_2], x_3 \right] \cdots \right], x_n \right] \middle| x_i \in X \right\}.$$

**Definition 2.1.9.** The subultra-group defined in Definition (2.1.6) is called the subultra-group generated by *X*.

**Theorem 2.1.10.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G* and  $N_1$ ,  $N_2$  are normal subultra-group of *U*. If  $K = N_1 \cap N_2$  then for every  $a, b \in U$ ,

$$\left[a, \left[K, b\right]\right] \subseteq \left[K, \left[a, b\right]\right].$$

*Proof:* Since  $N_1$ ,  $N_2$  are normal subultra-group of, then for every  $a, b \in U$ ,

$$[a, [N_1, b]] = [N_1, [a, b]] \text{ and } [a, [N_2, b]] = [N_2, [a, b]]$$

by Definition (1.9). Let  $[a, [k, b]] \in [a, [K, b]]$  for some  $k \in K = N_1 \cap N_2$ . Then

 $[a, [k, b]] \in [a, [N_1, b]] = [N_1, [a, b]] \text{ and } [a, [k, b]] \in [a, [N_2, b]] = [N_2, [a, b]]$ 

since  $k \in N_1$  and  $k \in N_2$ . Therefore,

$$\left[a, \left[k, b\right]\right] \in \left[N_1, \left[a, b\right]\right] \cap \left[N_2, \left[a, b\right]\right].$$

Hence

$$[a, [k, b]] = [n_1, [a, b]]$$
 and  $[a, [k, b]] = [n_2, [a, b]]$ 

for some  $n_1 \in N_1$  and  $n_2 \in N_2$ . In this case  $[a, [k, b]] = [n_1, [a, b]] = [n_2, [a, b]]$ 

and right cancellation implies  $n_1 = n_2 \in N_1 \cap N_2 = K$ . So we have,

 $[a, [k, b]] \in [N_1 \cap N_2, [a, b]] = [K, [a, b]] \Rightarrow [a, [K, b]] \subseteq [K, [a, b]].$ 

**Lemma 2.1.11.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G*. If  $U \subset C_G(H)$  then *U* has the left cancellation. Here  $C_G(H) = \{g \in G | hg = gh, for \forall h \in H\}$  is the centralizer of *H* in *G*.

*Proof:* Let [a, b] = [a, c] for  $a, b, c \in U$ . We can write

ab = (a, b)[a, b] and ac = (a, c)[a, c].

Therefore

 $(a,b)^{-1}ab = (a,c)^{-1}$  ac since [a,b] = [a,c].

Because  $a \in U \subseteq C_G(H)$  and  $(a, b)^{-1}$ ,  $(a, c)^{-1} \in H$  we conclude

$$(a,b)^{-1}b = (a,c)^{-1}c$$

and then by transversal property b = c.

**Theorem 2.1.12.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G* and  $U \subset C_G(H)$ . If  $N_1$ ,  $N_2$  are normal subultra-groups of *U*, then  $N_1 \cap N_2$  is a normal subultra-group of *U*.

*Proof:* Let =  $N_1 \cap N_2$ ,  $a, b \in U$  and  $[k, [a, b]] \in [K, [a, b]]$  for some  $k \in K$ .

and

$$[k, [a, b]] \in [N_1, [a, b]] = [a, [N_1, b]]$$
  
 $[k, [a, b]] \in [N_2, [a, b]] = [a, [N_2, b]]$ 

since  $k \in K = N_1 \cap N_2$ , so

$$[k, [a, b]] \in [a, [N_1, b]] \cap [a, [N_2, b]].$$

We can write

 $[k, [a, b]] = [a, [n_1, b]] \text{ and } [k, [a, b]] = [a, [n_2, b]]$ 

for some  $n_1 \in N_1$  and  $n_2 \in N_2$ . Hence

$$[k, [a, b]] = [a, [n_1, b]] = [a, [n_2, b]]$$

and since  $U \subset C_G(H)$ ,  $[n_1, b] = [n_2, b]$  by Lemma (2.1.11). By left cancellation

$$[n_1, b] = [n_2, b] \Rightarrow n_1 = n_2 \in N_1 \cap N_2 = K$$

and then

$$[k, [a, b]] \in [a, [N_1 \cap N_2, b]] = [a, [K, b]] \Rightarrow [K, [a, b]] \subseteq [a, [K, b]]$$

In contrary  $[a, [K, b]] \subseteq [K, [a, b]]$  for every  $a, b \in U$  by Theorem (2.1.10). Finally, we have [a, [K, b]] = [K, [a, b]] for every  $a, b \in U$  and  $K = N_1 \cap N_2$  is a normal subultragroup of U.

### 2.2. ON QUOTIENT ULTRA-GROUPS

If  $\sigma$  which is defined in Lemma (1.6) preserves the operations of U then  $\sigma$  would be a congruence. The operations of U are also preserved for a subultra-group S of U, in this case S can be considered as a congruence. In particular, a normal subultra-group is a congruence.

**Theorem 2.2.1.** Let *U* be an ultra-group, *S*, is a subultra-group of *U* and  $\sigma$  be a congruence on *U*. The set  $S/\sigma = \{[s]_{\sigma} | s \in S\}$  is an ultra-group by the operations defined in Definition (1.3). If  $S/\sigma$  is an abelian ultra-group, then  $[s_1, s_2]\sigma[s_2, s_1]$  for all  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ .

*Proof:* Let  $S/\sigma$  is an abelian ultra-group then for every  $[s_1]_{\sigma}, [s_2]_{\sigma} \in S/\sigma$ , where  $s_1, s_2$  are arbitrary elements of *S*, we have:

$$\begin{split} & [[s_1]_{\sigma}, [s_2]_{\sigma}] = [[s_2]_{\sigma}, [s_1]_{\sigma}] \\ & \Leftrightarrow \alpha([s_1]_{\sigma}, [s_2]_{\sigma}) = \alpha([s_2]_{\sigma}, [s_1]_{\sigma}) \\ & \Leftrightarrow [\alpha(s_1, s_2)]_{\sigma} = [\alpha(s_2, s_1)]_{\sigma} \\ & \Leftrightarrow [[s_1, s_2]]_{\sigma} = [[s_2, s_1]]_{\sigma} \\ & \Leftrightarrow [s_1, s_2]\sigma[s_2, s_1]. \end{split}$$

**Corollary 2.2.2.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G*, *N* be a normal subultra-group of *U*. If U/N is abelian then

 $[u_1, u_2] \in [u_2, [N, u_1]]$  and  $[u_2, u_1] \in [u_1, [N, u_2]]$ 

for every  $u_1$ ,  $u_2 \in U$ .

*Proof:* Since U/N is an abelian then for every  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  we have

$$[u_1, u_2]N[u_2, u_1] \Rightarrow [u_1, u_2] = [n, [u_2, u_1]]$$

for some  $n \in N$ , then

 $[u_1, u_2] \in [N, [u_2, u_1]].$ 

By Lemma (1.10),

$$[u_1, u_2] \in [[N, u_2], [N, u_1]]$$
 as well as  $[u_2, u_1] \in [[N, u_1], [N, u_2]]$ 

and we have

$$[u_1, u_2] \in [u_2, [N, u_1]] \text{ and } [u_2, u_1] \in [u_1, [N, u_2]]$$

by the Definition (1.2).

**Corollary 2.2.3.** Let *U* be an ultra-group of the subgroup *H* over the group *G*. If  $U/N = [e]_N$  for every normal subultra-group *N* of *U* then *U* is abelian ultra-group.

*Proof:* If  $U/N = [e]_N$  we have  $[u_1, u_2][e]_N[u_2, u_1]$  for every  $u_1, u_2 \in U$ . Then

$$[u_1, u_2][e]_N[u_2, u_1] \Rightarrow [u_1, u_2] = [e, [u_2, u_1]]$$

and by the Proposition (1.4)

$$[u_1, u_2] = [e, [u_2, u_1]] = [u_2, u_1].$$

Therefore *U* is abelian ultra-group.

#### **3. CONCLUSIONS**

In this article, it was obtained some algebraic structural elements which are derived from the definitions of ultra-groups and (normal) subultra-groups. Moreover, we studied the quotient ultra-groups and determined some results. Since it is a new field for researchers only a few papers have been made on this subject, such basic algebraic results will help to construct more on this new concept.

By the center definition and quotient ultra-group properties presented in this paper, researchers could focus on defining and adapting basic result of nilpotent or soluble subultragroups.

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