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## About the Heart of a Hypergroup

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This paper presents some types of hypergroups, associated to an arbitrary hypergroup, studying the properties and the heart of them, establishes results concerning the width and gives some other results about the sequence of hearts, which can be associated to a hypergroup, in connection with the subhypergroups generated by a non-empty set, by an union of subhypergroups or by the intersection of subhypergroups, if it is not empty.

#### Introduction

The notion of the heart  $\omega_H$  of a hypergroup H, introduced by two among the founders of the Hypergroup Theory, Dresher and Ore [9], has been studied by many mathematicians.

Just this subject is involved by most of the results of this paper, which throws light also on the algebraic structure of the set  $\mathscr{P}^*(H)$  of non-empty subsets of H, of the set of the hyperproducts of elements of H, and on some topics of join spaces and of subhypergroup theory.

Let  $\langle H, \odot \rangle$  be a hypergroup,  $P = \langle \mathscr{P}^*(H); \otimes \rangle$  be the set of non-empty subsets of H endowed with the hyperoperation  $\langle \otimes \rangle$  defined:  $\forall (A, B) \in \mathscr{P}^*(H)^2$ ,  $A \otimes B = \{C \in \mathscr{P}^*(H) \mid C \subset A \odot B\}$ .  $\forall a \in H$ , let  $I_{pl}(a) = \{e \in H \mid a \in e \odot a\}$ ,  $I_{pr}(a) = \{f \in H \mid a \in a \odot f\}$ ,  $I_p(a) = I_{pr}(a) \cup I_{pl}(a)$ . Let  $\Delta = \{D \subset I_p(H) \mid \forall h \in H, |D \cup I_{pl}(h)| = 1 = |D \cap I_{pr}(h)|\}$ ,  $I_p = \bigcup_{a \in H} I_p(a)$ . Moreover,  $\forall e \in I_p, \forall q \in H$ , let  $u_r(q, e) = \{y \in H \mid e \in q \odot y\}$  $u_l(q, e) = \{z \in H \mid e \in z \odot q\}$ 

1. Theorem.

1. If  $Q \in \mathscr{P}^*(H)$ , Q is an identity in P iff there exists  $D \in \Delta$  such that  $Q \supset D$ .

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2. If  $Q, Q' \in \mathcal{P}^*(H)$ , then Q' is an inverse of Q iff there is  $D \in \Delta$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \forall e \in D, \ \bigcup_{q \in \mathcal{Q}} u_l(q, e) \cap Q' \ &= \emptyset \,, \\ \forall e \in D, \ \bigcup_{q \in \mathcal{Q}} u_l(q, e) \cap Q' \ &= \emptyset \,, \end{aligned}$$

3. If  $\omega_P$  is the heart of P, we have  $\omega_P = P$ .

## Proof.

1. Let Q be an identity. Then  $\forall a \in H$  one has  $\{a\} \in Q \otimes \{a\}, \{a\} \in \{a\} \otimes Q$ , whence  $a \in Q \odot a$ ,  $a \in a \odot Q$  from which there exists  $(e_1, e_2) \in I_{pr}(a) \times I_{pr}(a)$  such that  $\{e_1, e_2\} \subset Q$  hence  $\forall a \in H$ ,  $I_{pr}(a) \cap Q \neq \emptyset \neq Q \cap I_{pr}(a)$ . On the converse if this condition is satisfied by a subset Q of H, we have:  $\forall S \in \mathscr{P}^*(H), \forall s \in S$ ,  $\exists e_s \in I_{pr}(s) \cap Q$ , whence  $S \in S \otimes Q \odot Q \supset \bigcup_{s \in S} s \odot e_s \supset S$  from which Q is a right identity. Similarly, on the left

identity. Similarly on the left.

2. It's enough to remark that Q' is an inverse of Q iff there is  $D \in \Delta$  such that  $Q' \circ Q \supset D \subset Q \circ Q'$  and this condition is satisfied iff for all  $h \in H$ , we have  $Q' \cap (Q \setminus I_{pl}(h)) \neq \emptyset \neq Q' \cap (Q \setminus I_{pr}(h))$  and  $Q' \cap (I_{pl}(h)/Q) \neq \emptyset \neq Q' \cap (I_{pr}/Q)$ .

3. It's enough to remark that H is an identity for P and it is inverse for any element of H. It follows, by Th. 129 [5], that  $\omega_P = H \otimes H = P$ .

**2. Definition.** Let A be a non-empty subset of a hypergroup H. Let's set

$$T(A) = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in H^n \mid \prod_{i=1}^n x_i = A\}$$
$$\lambda_H(A) = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N}^* \mid T(A) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Clearly,  $\lambda_H(\omega_H) = w(H)$  where w(H) is the width of H (see [7]).

3. Definition. If  $\langle H; \odot \rangle$  is a semi-hypergroup, let's denote  $\prod_{\mathscr{C}} (H)$  the set of the hyperproducts P of elements of H, such that  $\mathscr{C}(P) = P$ .

4. Theorem. Let  $\langle H; \circ \rangle$  be a hypergroup, let  $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \in H^n$  be such that  $\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \in \prod_{\mathscr{C}} (H)$ , then  $(x'_1, x'_2, ..., x'_n) \in H^n$  exists such that  $x_1 \circ x_2 \circ ... \circ x_n \circ x'_n \circ ...$ ...  $\circ x'_1 = \omega_H$ .

**Proof.**  $\forall k \in I_n = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ , let  $u_k$  be an element of  $\omega_H$ , and let  $x'_k \in H$  be such that  $u_k \in x_k \odot x'_k$ , then, since  $\omega_H$  is a complete part, we have  $\omega_H \supset x_k \odot x'_k$ . It follows  $x_1 \odot x_2 \odot \ldots \odot x_n \odot x'_n = \omega_H \odot x_1 \odot \ldots \odot x_n \odot x'_n = x_1 \odot \ldots \odot x_{n-1} \odot \omega_H \odot x_n \odot x'_n = x_1 \odot \ldots \odot x_{n-1} \odot \omega_H \odot x_n \odot x'_n = x_1 \odot \ldots \odot x_{n-1} \odot \omega_H \odot \omega_H \odot x_n \odot x'_n = x_1 \odot \ldots \odot x_{n-1} \odot \omega_H = \omega_H \odot \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i$ .

Hence  $x_1 \circ x_2 \circ \ldots \circ x_n \circ x'_n \circ x'_{n-1} = \omega_H \circ \prod_{i=1}^{n-2} x_i \circ x_{n-1} \circ x'_{n-1} = \omega_H \circ \prod_{i=1}^{n-2} x_i$ . Going on in the same way, one arrives to  $x_1 \circ x_2 \circ \ldots \circ x_n \circ x'_n \circ \ldots \circ x'_2 = \omega_H \circ x_1$ whence finally  $x_1 \circ x_2 \circ \ldots \circ x_n \circ x'_n \circ \ldots \circ x'_2 \circ x'_1 = \omega_H \circ x_1 \circ x'_1 = \omega_H$ .

5. Corollary. If  $\langle H; \odot \rangle$  is a hypergroup, then  $w(H) < \aleph_0$  iff  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and  $(x_1, ..., x_n) \in H^n$  exist such that  $\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \in \prod_{\alpha} (H)$ .

**6. Lemma.** Let  $\langle H; 0 \rangle$  be a hypergroup, then  $H - \omega_H$  is a complete part.

**7. Proposition.** Let  $\langle H; \odot \rangle$  be a hypergroup. If  $H - \omega_H$  is a hyperproduct, then  $\omega_H$  also is a hyperproduct.

If follows straight from Th. 4 and from the former lemma.

8. Remark. Let *H* be a hypergroup endowed with a complete hyperproduct. The following implication is satisfied for  $\forall A \in \mathscr{P}^*(H) : A \cap \prod x_i = \emptyset \Rightarrow \mathscr{C}(A) \cap \prod_{i=1}^n x_i = \emptyset$ .

Let's suppose  $z \in \mathscr{C}(A) \cap \prod_{i=1}^{n} x_i$ , then  $a \in A$  exists such that  $z \in \mathscr{C}(a)$ , hence  $\mathscr{C}(a) = \mathscr{C}(z)$ . The hypothesis  $\prod_{i=1}^{n} x_i = \mathscr{C}(\prod_{i=1}^{n} x_i)$  implies  $\mathscr{C}(z) \subset \bigcup_{\substack{y \in \prod x_i \\ y \in \prod x_i}} \mathscr{C}(y) = \mathscr{C}(\prod_{i=1}^{n} x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} x_i$ .

Therefore  $a \in A$ ,  $a \in \mathscr{C}(z) \subset \prod_{i=1}^{n} x_i$ , whence  $\prod_{i=1}^{n} x_i \cap A \neq \emptyset$  which is absurd.

**9. Theorem.** Let  $\langle H; 0 \rangle$  be a hypergroup, such that  $w(H) < \aleph_0$ . Let's denote

$$\lambda_m(H) = \min \{k \mid \exists Q \in \Pi_{\alpha}(H) \colon k = \lambda(Q)\}$$
  
$$\lambda_M(H) = \max \{h \mid \exists Q \in \Pi_{\alpha}(H) \colon h = \lambda(Q)\}$$

Then we have:

I. 
$$\lambda_m(H) \in \{w(H), w(H) - 1\}$$
  
II.  $\lambda_M(H) \in \{w(H), w(H) + 1\}$ 

## Proof.

I. By the Corollary 5.,  $\Pi_{\mathscr{C}}(H) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $Q = \prod_{i=1}^{n} y_i \in \prod_{\mathscr{C}} (H)$ . By Th. 63 [5], we have  $Q = \mathscr{C}(Q) = \bigcup_{x \in Q} \mathscr{C}(x)$ , we have clearly:  $\forall x \in Q$ ,  $\mathscr{C}(x) \cap Q \neq \emptyset$  it follows  $\mathscr{C}(x) \supset Q = \mathscr{C}(Q) \supset \mathscr{C}(x)$  whence  $\mathscr{C}(x) = Q$ . Therefore by Th. 67 [5],  $Q = \omega_H \odot x$ , from which if  $y \in H$  is such that  $x \odot y \subset \omega_H$  (it exists since  $\omega_H$  is conjugable, Th. 75, 110 [5]), it follows  $Q \odot y = \omega_H$  whence  $w(H) \leq \lambda(Q) + 1$ .

If we suppose  $\lambda_m(H) \neq w(H)$ , we have clearly  $\lambda_m(H) < w(H)$ , then if Q is such that  $\lambda(Q) = \lambda_m(H)$ , one obtains  $\lambda(Q) < w(H) \le \lambda(Q) + 1$ . Therefore  $w(H) = \lambda(Q) + 1$ , whence  $\lambda_m(H) = w(H) - 1$ . II. It's immediate.

10. Remark. Hypergroups H exist such that

a)  $\lambda_m(H) = w(H) - 1$  and others such that b)  $\lambda_M(H) = w(H) + 1$ .

a) See for instance the Example H1, 220 [5]. We have  $\omega(H_1) = 3$  since  $\omega_{H_1} = \{0, a_1, a_2, a_3\}$  and  $\omega_{H_1} = (x_1 \odot x_2) \odot x_3$ . But we have also  $\lambda(\{x_3, x_5\}) = \lambda(x_1 \odot x_2) = 2$ , whence  $\lambda_m(H_1) = 2$ .

b) See the Examples I, II, 267 [5], in both of them  $\lambda_M(H) = w(H) + 1$ .

11. Remark. If  $\langle H; 0 \rangle$  is *n*-complete, we have by 112 [5],  $\lambda_m(H) = w(H) \leq n$ .

12. Remark. Let  $\langle H; \circ \rangle$  be a strongly canonical hypergroup. If it is finite, then  $\lambda_m(H) = 2 = w(H)$  (see Th. 211 [5]). If it is not finite it can happen  $w(H) \not\leq \aleph_0$ , see for instance the following example: let  $\langle K; \leq \rangle$  be an infinite, totally ordered set, endowed with a minimum element 0. Let  $\langle \circ \rangle$  be the hyperoperation defined in K (see [13])  $0 \circ 0 = 0$ ,  $\forall x : x \neq 0$ ,  $x \circ x = \{y | y < x\}$ ,  $\forall (x, y) \in K; x \neq y$ ,  $x \circ y = \max\{x, y\}$ . Clearly,  $\langle K; \circ \rangle$  is strongly canonical,  $\omega_K = K$  and  $w(K) \neq \aleph_0$ .

Let  $\langle H; \odot \rangle$  be a semi-hypergroup, let  $\Pi(H)$  the set of hyperproducts of elements of H. In  $\Pi(H)$  let's define the hyperoperation  $\langle \odot \rangle$ ,  $A \odot B = \{C \in \Pi(H) | C \subset A \odot B\}$ .

**13. Theorem.** If  $\langle H; \odot \rangle$  is a hypergroup, then  $\langle \Pi(H); \odot \rangle$  is a hypergroup.

**Proof.** It's clear that  $\langle \odot \rangle$  is associative. Let's prove now the reproducibility. Let  $A = \prod_{i=1}^{p} a_i$ ,  $B = \prod_{i=1}^{p} b_i$  elements of  $\Pi(H)$ . By the reproducibility of  $\langle \odot \rangle$ , there exists  $y_1 \in H$  such that  $a_p \in y_1 \odot b_q$ . Similarly, there is  $y_2$  such that  $y_1 \in y_2 \odot b_{q-1}$ , whence  $a_p \in y_2 \odot b_{q-1} \odot b_q$ . Going up in the same way, one obtains  $y_q$  such that  $y_{q-1} \in y_q \odot b_1$ . Hence  $a_p \in y_q \odot b_1 \odot b_2 \odot \ldots \odot b_q$ . Therefore if we let  $X = \prod_{i=1}^{p-1} a_i \odot y_q$ , we have  $A \in X \odot B$ .

Similarly, we can find  $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_q$  such that  $a_1 \in b_1 \odot z_1, z_1 \in b_2 \odot z_2 \ldots z_{q-1} \in b_q \odot z_q$ whence  $A = a_1 \odot a_2 \odot \ldots \odot a_p \subset b_1 \odot b_2 \odot \ldots \odot b_q \odot z_q \odot a_2 \odot a_2 \odot \ldots \odot a_p$ .

**14. Theorem.** If K is a subhypergroup of a hypergroup  $\langle H; 0 \rangle$  and K belongs to  $\Pi(H)$ , then K is contained in  $\omega_{H}$ .

**Proof.** If A is an element of  $\Pi(H)$  and  $A \cap \omega_H \neq \emptyset$ , then  $A \subset \omega_H$  since  $\omega_H$  is a complete part. Then it's enough to remark that  $K \cap \omega_H$  contains the set  $I_p(K)$  of partial identities of K, to obtain the Theorem.

15. Remark. Not all subhypergroups of a hypergroup H are in  $\Pi(H)$ . For instance:

0 1 2	Let $\langle H; \odot \rangle$ be the hypergroup.
0 0 1 2 1 1 0 2 2 2 2 H	It's clear that $K = \{0, 1\}$ is a subhypergroup,
1 1 0 2	and that $K \notin \Pi(H)$ .
2 2 2 H	Moreover, $\omega_H = H \in \Pi(H)$ .

Now a natural question arises: do non-conjugable subhypergroups exist, which can be written as hyperproducts?

For instance, does a hypergroup H exists, which is endowed with an ultraclosed subhypergroup A such that  $\lambda_H(A) = n$ ?

The following example proves it exists.

Let  $\langle A; \odot \rangle$  be a hypergroup such that  $\omega_A = A$  and w(A) = n. It could be this one (see [5], §2):

$$A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i \text{ where } i \neq j \Rightarrow A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset, \ \forall (x, y) \in A_i \times A_j, \ x \circ y = A_i \cup A_j.$$

Now, let's set  $H = A \cup T$  where  $A \cap T = \emptyset$ ,  $|T| \ge 3$  and the hyperoperation  $\otimes$  in H is defined (see 112, [5]).  $\forall (a, b) \in A^2$ ,  $a \otimes b = a \circ b$ ,  $\forall (a, t) \in A \times T$ ,  $a \otimes t = t \otimes a = t$ ,  $\forall (t, s) \in T^2$ ,  $s \otimes t = A \cup (T - \{s, t\})$ . We have clearly that  $\langle A; \circ \rangle$  is an ultraclosed (non conjugable) subhypergroup of  $\langle H; \otimes \rangle$  and  $\lambda_H(A) = n$ .

We have clearly  $\omega_H = H$  and w(H) = 2.

Indeed since T contains  $\{s_1, s_2\}, s_1 \neq s_2$ ; then

$$(s_1 \cap s_1) \cap s_2 = (A \cup (T - \{s_1\})) \cap s_2 \supset \{s_2\} \cup (T - \{s_2\}) \cup A = H.$$

Let  $\langle H; 0 \rangle$  be a hypergroup. Let's consider the sequence

 $(*) \ H \supset \omega(H) = \omega_1 \supset \omega(\omega(H)) = \omega_2 \supset \ldots \supset \omega_k \supset \omega_{k+1} \supset \ldots \supset \omega_n \supset \ldots$ 

16. Theorem. The following conditions are equivalent:

- 1. the sequence (\*) is finite;
- 2. there is  $(n, k) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ , where n > k + 1, such that  $\omega_n$  is a complete part of  $\omega_k$ ;
- 3. there is  $(n, k) \in \mathbb{N}^2$  where n > k + 1, such that for any  $(x, y) \in (\omega_k \omega_n) \times (\omega_k \omega_n); x \odot y \cap (\omega_k \omega_n) \neq \emptyset$  implies  $x \odot y \subset \omega_k \omega_n$ ; 4. there is  $(n, k) \in \mathbb{N}^2$  where n > k + 1,

such that for any  $\omega_n$  is  $\omega_k$ -conjugable.

**Proof.** 1.  $\Rightarrow$  2. If the sequence (\*) is finite, then there is  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\omega_n = \omega_{n-1}$ , hence  $\omega_{n-2}$  is a complete part of  $\omega_n$ .

2.  $\Rightarrow$  3. If  $\omega_n$  is a complete part of  $\omega_k$ , then  $\omega_k - \omega_n$  is a complete part of  $\omega_k$ .

3.  $\Rightarrow$  4. One proves easily that for any  $s \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\omega_s$  is a closed subhypergroup of *H*. Moreover, for all a, b in  $\omega_k$ , if  $\{a, b\} \subset \omega_k - \omega_n$ , we have  $a \ominus b \subset \omega_n$ , if  $a \neq b$  and  $|\{a, b\} \cap \omega_n| = 1$ , we have  $a \ominus b \subset \omega_k - \omega_n$ . Then, by Th. 104, 3") [5], we obtain that  $\omega_n$  is  $\omega_k$ -conjugable.

4.  $\Rightarrow$  1. By the Th.,  $\omega_n$  is a complete part subhypergroup of  $\omega_k$ . Hence  $\omega_{k+1} = \omega(\omega_k) \subset \omega_n \subset \omega_{k+1}$  from which  $\omega_n = \omega_{k+1}$ . So, we have:  $\omega_{n+1} = \omega(\omega_n) = \omega(\omega_{k+1}) = \omega_{k+2} \supset \omega_n = \omega_{k+1} \supset \omega_{k+2}$ . Therefore,  $\omega_n = \omega_{k+2} = \omega_{n+1}$ . Let  $\omega_{n+s} = \omega_{k+1}$ . It follows  $\omega_{n+s+1} = \omega(\omega_{n+s}) = \omega(\omega_{k+1}) = \omega_{k+2} = \omega_{k+1}$ . Then, for any *m* such that  $m \ge n$ , we have  $\omega_m = \omega_n$ .

**17. Theorem.** Let  $\langle H; \odot \rangle$  be a hypergroup such that the sequence (\*) is finite, and let K be a complete part subhypergroup of H. Then there is  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\omega_{p+1}(K) = \omega_{p+1}(H)$ .

**Proof.** Let's remark that  $\omega(K)$  is a subhypergroup of  $\omega(H)$ . Indeed, for any  $a \in \omega(K)$ , there is  $e \in K$  such that  $a \in a \odot e$ ; it's clear that  $a \in \beta_k(e) \subset \beta_H(e) = \omega(H)$ . Moreover, since K is a complete part subhypergroup of H, we have  $\omega(H) \subset K$ . Then  $\omega_1(K) \subset \omega_1(H) \subset K$ . For any  $s \ge 1$ , from  $\omega_s(K) \subset \omega_s(H) \subset \omega_{s-1}(K)$ , one obtains  $\omega_{s+1}(K) \subset \omega_{s+1}(H) \subset \omega_s(K)$ , hence a sequence  $K \supset \omega_1(H) \supset \omega_1(K) \supset \omega_2(H) \supset \omega_2(K) \supset \dots$ .

By Th. 16, there is  $(n, p) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ , where n > p + 1, such that  $\omega_n(H) = \omega_{p+1}(H)$ , therefore  $\omega_{p+1}(H) = \omega_{p+1}(K)$ .

18. Remark. If  $K_1, K_2 \leq H$ , then

$$\omega(K_1 \cap K_2) \leq \omega(K_1) \cap \omega(K_2).$$

Generally, we have not equality.

**19. Examples.** I. Let h be a hypergroup, for which  $\omega(h) \neq h$  and let be x, y arbitrary in H. Let's define on  $H = h \cup \{b, c, d\} (\{b, c, d\} \cap h = \emptyset)$  the following hyperoperations:

	$\otimes$	x	b	C	d	We can easily verify the associativity and the
	<u>y</u>	$y \circ x$	b	С	d	reproducibility, so $(H, \otimes)$ is a hypergroup. We
1.	b	b	h	d	С	consider $K_1 = h \cup \{b\}, K_2 = h \cup \{c\}, K_3 = h \cup \{d\},$
	с	С	d	h	b	$\omega(K_1) = \omega(K_2) = \omega(K_3) = h, \ \omega(K_1 \cap K_2 \cap K_3) = h$
	d	d	c	b	h	

		x	b	с	d	$(H, \Box)$ is a hypergroup. We consi-
	y	$y \circ x$	b	$h \cup \{c\}$	$\{b,d\}$	der $K_1 = h \cup \{b\}, K_2 = h \cup \{c\},$
2.	b	b	h	$\{b,d\}$	$h \cup \{c\}$	$\omega(K_1) = h; \qquad \omega(K_2) = h \cup \{c\},$
	с	$h \cup \{c\}$	$\{b,d\}$	$h \cup \{c\}$	$\{b,d\}$	$\omega(K_1 \cap K_2) = \omega(h) + h = \omega(K_1) \cap$
	d	$\{b,d\}$	$h \cup \{c\}$	$\{b,d\}$	$h \cup \{c\}$	$\omega(K_2)$

II. Let h and k be two hypergroups with  $\omega_h \neq h$  and let be x, y arbitrary in h and t, f arbitrary in k. Let's define on  $H = h \cup k \cup \{a, c\} (\{a, c\} \cap h \cup k = \emptyset)$  the following hyperoperation

$\odot$	x	а	t	С
<i>y</i>	$y \circ x$	а	$h \cup k$	$\{a,c\}$
а	а	h	$\{a,c\}$	$h \cup k$
f	$h \cup k$	с	$f \circ t$	$\{a,c\}$
С	$\{a,c\}$	$h \cup k$	$\{a,c\}$	$h \cup k$

 $(H, \odot)$  is a hypergroup. We consider  $K_1 = h \cup \{a\}, K_2 = h \cup k, \ \omega(K_1) = h;$   $\omega(K_2) = h \cup k, \ \omega(K_1 \cap K_2) = \omega(h) \neq h$  $= \omega(K_1) \cap \omega(K_2)$ 

But, for H a hypergroup, whose sequence (\*) is finite, between  $\omega(K_1 \cap K_2)$  and  $\omega(K_1)$ ,  $\omega(K_2)$  we can find the following.

**20. Proposition.** If  $K_1$ ,  $K_2 \leq H$ , where H has a finite sequence (\*), then  $\exists p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\omega_{p+1}(K_1 \cap K_2) = \omega_{p+1}(\omega(K_1) \cap \omega(K_2))$ .

**Proof.** Let's consider  $\hat{H} = K_1 \cap K_2$  and  $\hat{K} = \omega(K_1) \cap \omega(K_2)$ .  $\hat{K}$  is a subhypergroup, complete part of  $\hat{H}$ . (We can verify this using the definition of a complete part of a hypergroup.) Then we use the proof of Th. 17.

Also, we can give a relation for *n*-subhypergroups of  $H: \exists p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\omega_{p+1}(K \cap K_2 \cap \ldots \cap K_n) = \omega_{p+1}(\omega(K_1) \cap \omega(K_2) \cap \ldots \cap \omega(K_n)).$ 

**21. Remark.** If  $K_1, K_2 \leq H$ , then  $\omega(K_1) \subset K_1 \cap \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)$ . Generally, we haven't equality.

**22. Example.** Let h and k be two hypergroups and let be  $x_1, x_2$  arbitrary in h and  $y_1, y_2$  arbitrary in k. Let's define on  $H = h \cup k \cup \{a\} (a \notin h \cup k)$  the following hyperoperation

	$x_1$			
$x_2$	$x_2 \circ x_1$	a	H	$K_2 = k,  K_1 \cup K_2 = H,  \langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle = H \Rightarrow$
a	а	h	H	$\omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle) = H.$ So
$\overline{y_2}$	H	H	$y_2y_1$	

$$\omega(K_1) = h \subsetneq K_1 \cap \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle) = K_1 = h \cup \{a\}.$$

But, also in this case, for *H*, whose sequence (\*) is finite, we can find:  $\exists p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\omega_{p+1}(\omega(K_1) = \omega_{p+1}(K_1 \cap \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)))$ .

Indeed, we have  $\omega(K_1) \subset K_1 \cap \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle) \subset K_1$  so  $\omega(K_1)$  is a subhypergroup, complete part of  $K_1 \cap \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)$ , whence using the Th. 17, we obtain this equality.

**23. Remark.** If  $K_1, K_2 \leq H$ , then  $\langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle \cup \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)$ . Generally, we haven't equality.

**24. Example.** Let h be a hypergroup, which has an identity, i; and let be y, y' arbitrary in  $h \{i\}$ . Let's define on  $H = h \cup \{a, c\} (\{a, c\} \cap h = \emptyset)$  the following hyperoperation

$\odot$	i	a	у	С
i	i	а	у	Η
а	a	i	у	Η
<i>y</i> ′	<i>y</i> ′	<i>y</i> ′	$y' \circ y$	Η
С	Η	H	H	H

 $(H, \odot)$  is a hypergroup. Let's consider:  $K_1 = \{i, a\}$ . (In fact,  $K_1$  is group.)  $K_2 = h$ 

$$K_1 \cup K_2 = \{a\} \cup h \Rightarrow \langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle = H \Rightarrow \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle) = H$$
$$\omega(K_1) = \{i\}, \omega(K_2) = \eta(h) \Rightarrow \langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle = \langle \{i\} \cup \omega(h) \rangle = \omega(h) \subset h \neq H$$
In general,  $\langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle$  is not a complete part of  $\omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2)$ . In the case of the example given,  $c^2 \cap (h) \neq \emptyset$ , but  $c^2 \not\subset \omega(h)$ .

25. Remark. If A is a subset of a hypergroup H, then

$$\langle \omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap A \rangle \subset \omega(\langle A \rangle).$$

Indeed,  $\omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap A \subset \omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap \langle A \rangle = \omega(\langle A \rangle)$  so that  $\langle \omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap A \rangle \subset \omega(\langle A \rangle)$ . Generally, we haven't equality.

**26. Example.** Let's define on  $H = \{e, x, y, z\}$  the hyperoperation

0	е	x	У	Z	Let's consider $A = \{e, x, z\}$ .
е	е	x	$\{e, x, y\}$	Z	$\langle A \rangle = H \Rightarrow \omega(\langle A \rangle) = \{e, x, z\}.$
x	x	е	$\{e, x, y\}$	Z	So, $\langle \omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap A \rangle = \{e, x\} \subsetneq \omega(\langle A \rangle).$
y	$\{e, x, y\}$	$\{e, x, y\}$	$\{e, x, y\}$	Z	
Ζ	Ζ	Ζ	Z	$\{e, x, y\}$	

We notice  $\langle \omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap A \rangle$  isn't a complete part of  $\omega(\langle A \rangle)$ . For the preceding example,  $y^2 \cap \langle \omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap A \rangle \neq \emptyset$ , but  $y^2 \not\subset \langle \omega(\langle A \rangle) \cap A \rangle$ .

**27. Proposition.** Let H be a commutative hypergroup and  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$  be subhypergroups of H. If for any  $a \in \langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle - (K_1 \cup K_2)$ , there exists  $(k_1, k_2) \in K_1 \times K_2$ , such that  $a \in k_1k_2$  and if  $\langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle$  is a closed subhypergroup of  $\omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)$  then

$$\langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle = \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)$$

**Proof.** We shall prove that  $\langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle$  is conjugable in  $\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle$ .  $\langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle$  is closed in  $\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle$  because, from  $a \in bx$ , where  $(a, b) \in \langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle^2$  and  $x \in \langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle$ , it results  $(a, b) \in (\omega^2 \langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)$  and so  $x \in \omega(\langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle)$ . Using now the condition given in the proposition,  $x \in \langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle$ .

As regards an arbitrary element  $a \in \langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle$ , we have three situations:

$$a \in K_1 \Rightarrow \exists a' \in K_1, \ aa' \subset \omega_{K_1} \subset \langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle;$$
  
$$a \in K_2 \Rightarrow \exists a' \in K_2, \ aa' \subset \omega_{K_2} \subset \langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle;$$
  
$$a \in \langle K_1 \cup K_2 \rangle - (K_1 \cup K_2) \Rightarrow \exists k_1 \in K_1, \ \exists k_2 \in K_2, \ a \in k_1 k_2$$

For  $k_i$  there exists  $k'_i \in K_i$ , such that  $k_i k'_i \in \omega_{K_i}$ , i = 1, 2.

So,  $ak_1'k_2' \subset (k_1'k_2')(k_2k_2') \subset \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \subset \langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle$ , whence for every  $t \in k_1'k_2'$ ,  $at \subset \langle \omega(K_1) \cup \omega(K_2) \rangle$ .

**28. Remark.** If H is a hypergroup, such that  $\omega_H$  can be written as a hyperproduct and if h is a subhypergroup of H, then, generally,  $\omega(h)$  can't be written as a hyperproduct.

We can consider h a hypergroup, for which  $\omega_h \neq h$  and  $\omega_h$  can't be written as a hyperproduct.

Let's define on  $H = h \cup \{a\} (a \notin h)$  the following hyperoperation:

$$\begin{cases} x \circ y = xy \\ a \circ a = h \\ a \circ x = x \circ a = a, \ \forall x \in h \end{cases}$$

 $\langle H; \odot \rangle$  is a hypergroup, for which  $\omega_H = h = a \odot a$ , but  $\omega(h) = \omega(\omega(H))$  is not a hyperproduct.

**29. Theorem.** Let  $H_1, H_2, ..., H_m$  be hypergroups, such that for any i = 1, 2, ......,  $m, \omega_{H_i}$  can be written as a hyperproduct, with  $w(H_i) = n_i$ . Let  $H = \underset{i=1}{\overset{m}{\times}} H_i$ . Then  $\omega_H$  is a hyperproduct and  $w(H) = \max \{n_i | i = \overline{1, m}\}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x_{i_1}, ..., x_{i_{n_i}} \in H_i$ , such that  $\omega(H_i) = \prod_{j=1}^{n_1} x_{ij}$  and let  $q = \max\{n_i | i = \overline{1, m}\}$ . If  $q > n_i$ , then for any  $k = n_i + 1, ..., k = q$  we define  $x_{i_k}$  in this manner:  $x_{i_{n_i}+1} = e$ , where e is a partial identity on the right of  $x_{i_{n_i}}$ ; for  $k \ge n_i + 2$ ,  $x_{i_k}$  is a partial identity on the right of  $x_{i_{k-1}}$ .

We obtain 
$$\omega(H_i) = \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} x_{ij} \subset \prod_{j=1}^q x_{ij} = \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n_i+1} x_{ij}\right) \cdot \prod_{n_i}^q x_{ij} \subset \omega(H_i)$$
 whence  $\omega(H) = \prod_{j=1}^q x_{ij}$   
and  $\omega(H) = \prod_{i=1}^q (x_{ik}, \dots, x_{m_k})$ .

For p < q,  $P \neq \omega(H)$ , for any hyperproduct P of p elements of H. So, w(H) = q.

Let H be a hypergroup and let's denote by  $A || B = \{a/b | a \in A, b \in B\}$ , where  $\{A, B\} \subset \mathcal{P}^*(H)$ .

Let's define on  $H \parallel H$  the hyperoperation:  $(a/b) \square (c/d) = (ac) \parallel (bd)$ . Generally,  $\square$  is not well defined.

### 30. Example.

1. Let's consider the following join space:  $\langle Z, \circ \rangle$ , where  $x \circ y = \{x + y, x + y + 1, ..., x + y + n\}$ . Then  $x/y = \{x - y, x - y - 1, ..., x - y - n\}$  and  $x/y \Box z/w = \{(x + z)/(y + w), ..., (x + z)/(y + w + n), (x + z + 1)/(y + w), ..., (x + z + n)/(y + w), ..., (x + z + n)/(y + w + n)\} =$ 

 $\{ \{x - y + z - w, \dots, x - y + z - w - n\}, \dots, \{x - y + z - w - n, \dots, x - y + z - w + 2n\}, \\ \{x - y + z - w + 1, \dots, x - y + z - w - n + 1\}, \dots, \{x - y + z - w + 1 - n, \dots, x - y + z - w + 1 - 2n\}, \dots, \{x - y + z - w + n, \dots, x - y + z - w\}, \dots, \\ \{x - y + z - w, \dots, x - y + z - w - n\} \}.$ 

Let's remark that x/y = x'/y' if and only if x - y = x' - y'. Therefore, " $\Box$ " is well defined.

2. Let  $\langle H, \odot \rangle$  be the hypergroup:

$\circ x y z$	<i>H</i> is not a join space. In fact, $y/z \cap z/z \in x$ ,
$\begin{array}{c c} \circ x & y & z \\ \hline x & x & H & H \end{array}$	but $y \circ z \cap z \circ z = \emptyset$ .
$\begin{array}{c ccc} y & H & y & z \\ z & H & z & y \end{array}$	
$z \mid H z y$	

We shall prove that " $\square$ " is well defined.

One has x/x = H;  $y/x = \{y, z\} = \{x, y\} = z/x$ ;  $x/y = \{x\} = x/z$ ;  $y/z = \{x, z\} = z/y$ and  $y/y = \{x, y\} = z/z$ . Whenever, for every (z, b, z, d) = (y, z), we have:

Whence, for any  $\{a, b, c, d\} \subset \{y, z\}$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} x/x \ \Box \ b/x &= a/x \ \Box \ x/b &= x/x \ \Box \ a/b &= H \parallel H; \\ x/x \ \Box \ x/a &= \{x\} \parallel H = \{H; \{x\}\}; \\ x/x \ \Box \ a/x &= H \parallel \{x\} = \{H; \{y,z\}\}; \\ x/x \ \Box \ x/x &= x/x &= H; \\ x/a \ \Box \ x/b &= \{x\} = x/y &= x/z; \\ a/x \ \Box \ b/x &= \{y,z\} &= y/x &= z/x; \\ x/a \ \Box \ b/c &= H \parallel \{y\} &= H \parallel \{z\} = \{\{x\}, \{x,y\}, \{x,z\}\}; \\ a/x \ \Box \ b/c &= \{y\} \parallel H = \{z\} \parallel H = \{\{y,z\}, \{x,y\}, \{x,z\}\}; \\ a/b \ \Box \ c/d \ \in \{y/y = z/z, z/y = y/z\} = \{\{x,y\}, \{x,z\}\}; \end{aligned}$$

So, " $\Box$ " is well defined. If we denote by  $\alpha = x/x$ ;  $\beta = y/x$ ;  $\gamma = x/y$ ;  $\mu = y/z$  and  $\Psi = y/y$ , then  $\langle H || H$ ;  $\Box \rangle$  is the following hypergroup:

	α	β	γ	μ	Ψ
α	α	α, β	α, γ	$H \parallel H$	$H \parallel H$
β	α, β	β	$H \parallel H$	β, μ, Ψ	β, μ, Ψ
γ	α, γ	$H \parallel H$	γ	γ, μ, Ψ	γ, μ, Ψ
μ	$H \parallel H$	β, μ, Ψ	γ, μ, Ψ	Ψ	μ
Ψ	$H \parallel H$	β, μ, Ψ	γ, μ, Ψ	μ	Ψ

Let's remark that  $\langle H || H, \Box \rangle$  is not a join space. (We have  $\mu/\mu \cap \mu/\Psi \quad \alpha$ ,  $\mu \odot \Psi \cap \mu \odot \mu = \emptyset$ .)

3. Let's consider the hypergroup  $\langle H, \odot \rangle$ , where  $x \odot y = \{x, y\}$ , for any  $(x, y) \in H^2$ . Then, " $\Box$ " is not well defined. Indeed, for x, y, z, w four different

elements of *H*, we have z/z = H,  $x/y = x/z = \{x\}$ , so  $x/y \Box z/w = x/z \Box z/w$ . But, on the other hand,  $x/y \Box z/w = (x \circ z) || (y \circ w) = \{x/y, z/y, x/w, z/w\} = \{\{x\}, \{z\}\}$  and  $x/z \Box z/w = \{\{x\}, \{z\}, H\}$ .

4. Let  $L = \langle L; \land, \lor \rangle$  be a lattice, without inferior and superior limits. Let  $\langle L, \circ \rangle$  be the hypergroup (join space) defined:

$$x \circ y = \{ u \mid x \land y \le u \le y \lor y \}$$

Also, in this case, " $\Box$ " is not well defined. Indeed, we have

$$x/y = \begin{cases} \{t \mid t \le x\}, \text{ if } x < y \\ \{t \mid x \le t\}, \text{ if } x > y \\ L, & \text{ if } x = y \end{cases}$$

and  $x_1/y_1 = x_2/y_2$  if and only if  $(x_1, x_2) = (y_1, y_2)$  or  $(x_1 = x_2 = x$  and  $\{y_1, y_2\} \subset \{t \mid t < x\}$  or  $(x_1 = x_2 = x$  and  $\{y_1, y_2\} \subset \{t \mid x < t\}$ .

On the other hand,

$$(x/y) \Box (u/v) = \{z \mid x \land u \le z \le x \lor u\} \| \{z \mid y \land v \le z \le y \lor v\}.$$

Choose, x, y, y', u, v in L such that y < u < v < y' < x (it is possible, because L is infinite).

So x/y = x/y' and we have  $x/y = (x \land u)/(y \land v) \in (x/y) \square (u/v)$ , but  $u/y \neq u/s = (x \land u)/s$ , for any s, such that  $y' \land v = v \leq s \leq y' Vv = y'$ . Moreover,  $u/y \neq z/t$ , for any z, t such that  $x \land u < z \leq x \lor u$  and  $y \land v \leq t \leq y \lor v$ . Therefore,  $u/y \notin (x/y') \square (u/v)$ , whence " $\square$ " is not well defined.

**31. Proposition.** Let H be a hypergroup, for which " $\Box$ " is well defined. Then  $\langle H || H, \Box \rangle$  is a hypergroup. Moreover,

- 1. If H is regular,  $H \parallel H$  is regular, too;
- 2. If H is join space,  $H \parallel H$  is join space, too;
- 3.  $(H \parallel H)/\beta_{H \parallel H} = \{\beta_{H \parallel H}(a/b) \mid (\beta_H(a), \beta_H(b)) \in H/\beta_H \times H/\beta_H\}.$

**Proof.** 1. If  $e \in E(H)$ , then  $e/e \in E(H || H)$ .

For any  $a/b \in H || H$ ,  $a'/b' \in i_{H||H}(a/b)$ , where  $a' \in i_H(a)$  and  $b' \in i_H(b)$ . (E(H) is the set of identities of H and i(x) is the set of inverses of x, for any  $x \in H$ .)

2. Let  $(x_1/x_2) / (y_1/y_2) \cap (z_1/z_2) / (w_1/w_1) \neq \emptyset$ , that is  $\alpha_1/\alpha_2$  exists, such that  $x_1/x_2 \in (y_1 \circ \alpha_1) || (y_2 \circ \alpha_2)$  and  $z_1/z_2 \in (w_1 \circ \alpha_1) || (\omega_2 \circ \alpha_2)$ . Then, there exist  $(x'_1, x'_2) \in H^2$  and  $(z'_1, z'_2) \in H^2$ , such that  $x_1/x_2 = x'_1/x'_2$  and such that  $z_1/z_2 = z'_1/z'_2$ , where  $x'_1 \in y_1 \circ \alpha_1$  and  $x'_2 \in y_2 \circ \alpha_2$ , respectively,  $z'_1 \in w_1 \circ \alpha_1$  and  $z'_2 \in w_2 \circ \alpha_2$ . Hence  $x'_1/y_1 \cap z'_1/w_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $x'_2/y_2 \cap z'_2/w_2 \neq \emptyset$ .

So, there exist  $a \in x'_1 \cap w_1 \cap y_1 \cap z'_1$  and  $b \in x'_2 \cap w_2 \cap y_2 \cap z'_2$ .

We have  $a/b \in (x'_1 \odot w_1) || (x'_2 \odot w_2) \cap (z'_2 \odot y_1) || (z'_2 \odot y_2) = (x'_1/x'_2 \Box w_1/w_2) \cap (z'_1/z'_2 \Box y_1/y_2) = (x_1/x_2 \Box w_1/w_2) \cap (z_1/z_2 \Box y_1/y_2)$ , so  $\langle H || H, \Box \rangle$  is a join space, too.

3. We shall prove that for  $(\beta_H(a_1), \beta_H(b_1) = (\beta_H(a_2), \beta_H(b_2))$  we have  $\beta_{H \parallel H}(a_1/b_1) = \beta_{H \parallel H}(a_2/b_2)$ . There exist  $\{m, n\} \subset \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\{c_1, c_2, ..., c_n, d_1, d_2, ..., d_m\} \subset H$  such that  $\prod_{i=1}^n c_i \supset \{a_1, a_2\}$ and  $\prod_{i=1}^m d_i \supset \{b_1, b_2\}$ . If n > m, one considers  $e_{m+1} \in I_r(d_m)$ ,  $e_{m+2} \in I_r(e_{m+1})$ , ...,  $e_n \in I_r(e_{n-1})$  and one

has  $\{b_1, b_2\} \subset \prod_{i=1}^m d_i \subset \prod_{i=1}^m d_i e_{m+1} \cdot \ldots \cdot e_n$ , that is  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  belong to a hyperproduct of *n* elements.

Similarly, for n < m. Therefore, we can consider n = m, and we obtain  $\{a_1/b_1, a_2/b_2\} \subset \left(\prod_{i=1}^n c_i\right) \|\left(\prod_{i=1}^n d_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \Box (c_i/d_i).$ 

**32. Proposition.** Let H be a commutative hypergroup. If  $H \parallel H$  is a join space, then H satisfies the condition  $\forall (a, b, c, d) \in H^4$ , such that  $a/b \cap c/d \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow (a \cup d) \parallel \omega_H \cap (b \cup c) \parallel \omega_H \neq \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** Let  $y \in a/b \cap c/d$ , that is  $a \in y \cap$  and  $c \in y \cap d$ . Let's consider c' a partial inverse of c (that is  $c \cap c' \cap I_p \neq \emptyset$ , where  $I_p$  is the set of partial identities of H).

There exists  $z \in H$ , such that  $c' \in z \circ a$  and let  $t \in z \circ c$ . One has  $a/c' \in (y \circ b) || (z \circ a) = (y/z) \Box (b/a)$  and  $c/t \in (y \circ d) || (z \circ c) = (y/z) \Box (d/c)$ . So,  $y/z \in (a-c') / (b/a) \cap (c/t) / (d/c)$ . Because H || H is a join space, it result  $(a/c') \Box (d/c) \cap (b/a) \Box (c/t) \neq \emptyset$ , that is  $(a \circ d) || (c \circ c) \cap (b \circ c) || (a \circ t) \neq \emptyset$ .

We have  $c' \circ c \subset \omega_H$ , and  $a \circ t \subset a \circ z \circ c \supset c' \circ c$ , so  $a \circ z \circ c \subset \omega_H$ , whence  $(a \circ d) \| \omega_H \cap (b \circ c) \| \omega_H \neq \emptyset$ .

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