

## CONSTRUCTIONS OF $(2, n)$ -VARIETIES OF GROUPOIDS FOR $n = 7, 8, 9$

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ABSTRACT. Given positive integer  $n > 2$ , an algebra is said to be a  $(2, n)$ -algebra if any of its subalgebras generated by two distinct elements has  $n$  elements. A variety is called a  $(2, n)$ -variety if every algebra in that variety is a  $(2, n)$ -algebra. There are known only  $(2, 3)$ -,  $(2, 4)$ - and  $(2, 5)$ -varieties of groupoids, and there is no  $(2, 6)$ -variety. We present here  $(2, n)$ -varieties of groupoids for  $n = 7, 8, 9$ .

### 1. Introduction

The notion of variety of algebras having the property  $(k, n)$  was given in [4] and equationally defined classes of cancellative groupoids having the property  $(2, 4)$  and  $(2, 5)$  were considered there. This notion was generalized in [1], where it was shown that the condition of the cancellativity is superfluous, that is, any variety of groupoids with the property  $(2, n)$  is a variety of quasigroups.

Let  $k$  and  $n$  be two positive integers and  $k \leq n$ . An algebra  $\mathbf{A}$  is said to have the property  $(k, n)$  if every subalgebra of  $\mathbf{A}$  generated by  $k$  distinct elements has exactly  $n$  elements. We also say that  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $(k, n)$ -algebra. A class  $\mathcal{K}$  of algebras is said to be a  $(k, n)$ -class if every algebra in  $\mathcal{K}$  is a  $(k, n)$ -algebra. A variety is called a  $(k, n)$ -variety if it is a  $(k, n)$ -class of algebras.

Trivially, the variety of Steiner quasigroups  $(xx = x, xy = yx, x \cdot xy = y)$  is a  $(2, 3)$ -variety. It is the unique variety of groupoids with the stated property, and the same holds for the  $(2, 4)$ -variety  $(x \cdot xy = yx, xy \cdot yx = x)$  given by Padmanabhan in [4]. He has also constructed two  $(2, 5)$ -varieties. One of them is commutative  $(xy = yx, x(y \cdot xy) = y, x(x \cdot xy) = y \cdot xy)$ , while the other one  $(x \cdot xy = y, xy \cdot y = yx)$  consists of anticommutative quasigroups. These two varieties together with the variety whose defining identities  $(x \cdot xy = yx, xy \cdot y = x)$  are dual to the identities of the preceding variety are the only  $(2, 5)$ -varieties of groupoids. The non-existence

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of a  $(2, 6)$ -variety can be deduced from the correspondence between the  $(k, n)$ -varieties and Steiner systems  $S(k, n, v)$  [1].

Here we present  $(2, n)$ -varieties of groupoids for  $n = 7, 8$  and  $9$ . Their construction is given in Sections 2, 3 and 4 respectively. It is an open problem the existence of  $(2, n)$ -varieties for  $n \geq 10$ , as well as the answer of the question whether the set of integers  $\{n \mid \text{There exists a } (2, n)\text{-variety of groupoids}\}$  is finite.

**2. A construction of  $(2, 7)$ -variety of groupoids**

We use the fact that any member of a  $(2, n)$ -variety of groupoids is a quasigroup, i.e., the choosing of the defining identities of the  $(2, 7)$ -variety  $\mathcal{V}_7$  (as well as the varieties  $\mathcal{V}_8$  and  $\mathcal{V}_9$  in the next sections) is made in a manner that enables a variety of quasigroups to be obtained.

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{V}_7$  be a variety of groupoids, defined by the identities:*

$$(1) \ xy = yx, \quad (2) \ x(x \cdot xy) = y, \quad (3) \ xy \cdot (y \cdot xy) = y(x \cdot xy)$$

*Then  $\mathcal{V}_7$  is a  $(2, 7)$ -variety of quasigroups.*

**PROOF.** Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be arbitrary groupoid in  $\mathcal{V}_7$  and  $a, b \in G$ . Since  $ab = ac \implies b = a(a \cdot ab) = a(a \cdot ac) = c$ ,  $x = a \cdot ab$  is the unique solution of the equation  $ax = b$ . By commutativity  $ax = xa$  we have that  $(G, \cdot)$  is a quasigroup.

Next we show that the following identities also hold in  $(G, \cdot)$ . (The commutativity will not be pointed out when used.)

$$\begin{array}{ll} (4) \quad & xx = x, & (8) \quad & (x \cdot xy)(y \cdot xy) = xy, \\ (5) \quad & x \cdot x(y \cdot xy) = y(x \cdot xy), & (9) \quad & (x \cdot xy) \cdot x(y \cdot xy) = y \cdot xy, \\ (6) \quad & x \cdot y(x \cdot xy) = y \cdot xy, & (10) \quad & (x \cdot xy) \cdot y(x \cdot xy) = x, \\ (7) \quad & xy \cdot x(y \cdot xy) = x, & (11) \quad & x(y \cdot xy) \cdot y(x \cdot xy) = xy. \end{array}$$

Namely, we have the following transformations:

$$\begin{aligned} xx &\stackrel{(2)}{=} x(xx \cdot (xx \cdot (xx \cdot x))) \stackrel{(3)}{=} x(xx \cdot x(x \cdot xx)) \stackrel{(2)}{=} x(xx \cdot x) \stackrel{(2)}{=} x; \\ x \cdot x(y \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(3)}{=} x(xy \cdot (x \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(3)}{=} (x \cdot xy) \cdot x(x \cdot xy) \stackrel{(2)}{=} (x \cdot xy)y; \\ x \cdot y(x \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(5)}{=} x(x \cdot x(y \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(2)}{=} y \cdot xy; \\ xy \cdot x(y \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(3)}{=} xy \cdot (xy \cdot (x \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(2)}{=} x; \\ (x \cdot xy)(y \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(2)}{=} (x \cdot xy)(x(x \cdot xy) \cdot xy) \stackrel{(7)}{=} xy; \\ (x \cdot xy) \cdot x(y \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(3)}{=} (x \cdot xy)(xy \cdot (x \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(3)}{=} xy \cdot x(x \cdot xy) \stackrel{(2)}{=} xy \cdot y; \\ (x \cdot xy) \cdot y(x \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(5)}{=} (x \cdot xy) \cdot x(x(y \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(3)}{=} (x \cdot xy) \cdot x(xy \cdot (x \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(7)}{=} x; \\ x(y \cdot xy) \cdot y(x \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(3)}{=} (xy \cdot (x \cdot xy))(xy \cdot (y \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(9)}{=} \\ &\stackrel{(9)}{=} (xy \cdot (x \cdot xy))(xy \cdot ((x \cdot xy) \cdot x(y \cdot xy))) \stackrel{(3)}{=} \\ &\stackrel{(3)}{=} (xy \cdot (x \cdot xy))(xy \cdot ((x \cdot xy)(xy \cdot (x \cdot xy)))) \stackrel{(7)}{=} xy. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the multiplication table of any subquasigroup of a quasigroup in  $\mathcal{V}_7$ , generated by the elements  $x$  and  $y$  ( $x \neq y$ ), is the following one:

	$x$	$y$	$xy$	$x \cdot xy$	$y \cdot xy$	$x(y \cdot xy)$	$y(x \cdot xy)$
$x$	$x$	$xy$	$x \cdot xy$	$y$	$x(y \cdot xy)$	$y(x \cdot xy)$	$y \cdot xy$
$y$	$xy$	$y$	$y \cdot xy$	$y(x \cdot xy)$	$x$	$x \cdot xy$	$x(y \cdot xy)$
$xy$	$x \cdot xy$	$y \cdot xy$	$xy$	$x(y \cdot xy)$	$y(x \cdot xy)$	$x$	$y$
$x \cdot xy$	$y$	$y(x \cdot xy)$	$x(y \cdot xy)$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy$	$y \cdot xy$	$x$
$y \cdot xy$	$x(y \cdot xy)$	$x$	$y(x \cdot xy)$	$xy$	$y \cdot xy$	$y$	$x \cdot xy$
$x(y \cdot xy)$	$y(x \cdot xy)$	$x \cdot xy$	$x$	$y \cdot xy$	$y$	$x(y \cdot xy)$	$xy$
$y(x \cdot xy)$	$y \cdot xy$	$x(y \cdot xy)$	$y$	$x$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy$	$y(x \cdot xy)$

In order to complete the proof, it suffices to show that the elements  $x, y, xy, x \cdot xy, y \cdot xy, x(y \cdot xy), y(x \cdot xy)$  are distinct:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x = xy &\implies xx = xy \implies x = y \\
 x = x \cdot xy &\implies xx = x \cdot xy \implies x = xy \\
 x = y \cdot xy &\implies xy = (y \cdot xy)y \implies xy = x \\
 x = x(y \cdot xy) &\implies xx = x(y \cdot xy) \implies x = y \cdot xy \\
 x = y(x \cdot xy) &\implies y(y \cdot xy) = y(x \cdot xy) \implies y \cdot xy = x \cdot xy \implies x = y \\
 xy = x \cdot xy &\implies y = xy \\
 xy = x(y \cdot xy) &\implies y = y \cdot xy \\
 x \cdot xy = y \cdot xy &\implies x = y \\
 x \cdot xy = x(y \cdot xy) &\implies xy = y \cdot xy \\
 x \cdot xy = y(x \cdot xy) &\implies x(x \cdot xy) = x(y(x \cdot xy)) \implies y = y \cdot xy \\
 x(y \cdot xy) = y(x \cdot xy) &\implies x(y \cdot xy) = xy \cdot (y \cdot xy) \implies x = xy. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3. A construction of (2,8)-variety of groupoids

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{V}_8$  be the variety of groupoids, defined by the identities:*

$$(1) \ x \cdot xy = xy \cdot y, \quad (2) \ x \cdot yx = xy \cdot x, \quad (3) \ x(y \cdot yx) = y.$$

*Then  $\mathcal{V}_8$  is a (2, 8)-variety of quasigroups.*

**PROOF.** First we show that the following identities are satisfied by any  $\mathcal{V}_8$ -groupoid:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad &x(x \cdot xy) = yx, & (16) \quad &(x \cdot xy) \cdot xy = yx, \\
 (5) \quad &xx = x, & (17) \quad &xy \cdot (yx \cdot y) = yx, \\
 (6) \quad &xy \cdot yx = x, & (18) \quad &(y \cdot yx) \cdot xy = x, \\
 (7) \quad &(xy \cdot x)x = y, & (19) \quad &(xy \cdot x) \cdot xy = y \cdot yx, \\
 (8) \quad &x(xy \cdot x) = yx \cdot y, & (20) \quad &(yx \cdot y) \cdot xy = xy \cdot x,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
(9) & x(yx \cdot y) = y \cdot yx, & (21) & (x \cdot xy)(y \cdot yx) = xy \cdot x, \\
(10) & (x \cdot xy)x = yx \cdot y, & (22) & (x \cdot xy)(xy \cdot x) = x, \\
(11) & (y \cdot yx)x = x \cdot xy, & (23) & (x \cdot xy)(yx \cdot y) = xy, \\
(12) & (yx \cdot y)x = xy, & (24) & (y \cdot yx)(x \cdot xy) = yx \cdot y, \\
(13) & xy \cdot (x \cdot xy) = y \cdot yx, & (25) & (yx \cdot y)(x \cdot xy) = y, \\
(14) & xy \cdot (y \cdot yx) = yx \cdot y, & (26) & (xy \cdot x)(yx \cdot y) = x \cdot xy, \\
(15) & xy \cdot (xy \cdot x) = y.
\end{array}$$

Namely, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
x(x \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(3)}{=} y(x \cdot xy) \cdot (x \cdot xy) \stackrel{(1)}{=} y \cdot y(x \cdot xy) \stackrel{(3)}{=} yx; \\
xx &\stackrel{(4)}{=} x(x \cdot xx) \stackrel{(3)}{=} x; \\
xy \cdot yx &\stackrel{(4)}{=} xy \cdot (x \cdot (x \cdot xy)) \stackrel{(3)}{=} x; \\
(xy \cdot x)x &\stackrel{(2)}{=} (x \cdot yx)x \stackrel{(2)}{=} x(yx \cdot x) \stackrel{(1)}{=} x(y \cdot yx) \stackrel{(3)}{=} y; \\
x(xy \cdot x) &\stackrel{(2)}{=} x(x \cdot yx) \stackrel{(1)}{=} (x \cdot yx) \cdot yx \stackrel{(4)}{=} yx \cdot (yx \cdot (yx \cdot (x \cdot yx))) \\
&\stackrel{(2)}{=} yx \cdot (yx \cdot ((yx \cdot x) \cdot yx)) \stackrel{(1)}{=} yx \cdot (yx \cdot ((y \cdot yx) \cdot yx)) \\
&\stackrel{(2)}{=} yx \cdot ((yx \cdot (y \cdot yx)) \cdot yx) \stackrel{(2)}{=} yx \cdot (((yx \cdot y) \cdot yx) \cdot yx) \stackrel{(7)}{=} yx \cdot y; \\
x(yx \cdot y) &\stackrel{(8)}{=} x \cdot x(xy \cdot x) \stackrel{(2)}{=} x \cdot x(x \cdot yx) \stackrel{(4)}{=} yx \cdot x \stackrel{(1)}{=} y \cdot yx; \\
(x \cdot xy)x &\stackrel{(2)}{=} x(xy \cdot x) \stackrel{(8)}{=} yx \cdot y; \\
(y \cdot yx)x &\stackrel{(4)}{=} x(x \cdot x(y \cdot yx)) \stackrel{(3)}{=} x \cdot xy; \\
(yx \cdot y)x &\stackrel{(4)}{=} x(x \cdot x(yx \cdot y)) \stackrel{(9)}{=} x \cdot x(y \cdot yx) \stackrel{(3)}{=} xy; \\
xy \cdot (x \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(1)}{=} xy \cdot (xy \cdot y) \stackrel{(1)}{=} (xy \cdot y)y \stackrel{(1)}{=} (x \cdot xy)y \stackrel{(11)}{=} y \cdot yx; \\
xy \cdot (y \cdot yx) &\stackrel{(4)}{=} (y(y \cdot yx))(y \cdot yx) \stackrel{(1)}{=} y \cdot y(y \cdot yx) \stackrel{(4)}{=} yx \cdot y; \\
xy \cdot (xy \cdot x) &\stackrel{(1)}{=} (xy \cdot x)x \stackrel{(7)}{=} y; \\
(x \cdot xy) \cdot xy &\stackrel{(1)}{=} x(x \cdot xy) \stackrel{(4)}{=} yx; \\
xy \cdot (yx \cdot y) &\stackrel{(2)}{=} xy \cdot (y \cdot xy) \stackrel{(2)}{=} (xy \cdot y) \cdot xy \stackrel{(1)}{=} (x \cdot xy) \cdot xy \stackrel{(16)}{=} yx; \\
(y \cdot yx) \cdot xy &\stackrel{(13)}{=} (xy \cdot (x \cdot xy)) \cdot xy \stackrel{(2)}{=} ((xy \cdot x) \cdot xy) \cdot xy \stackrel{(7)}{=} x; \\
(xy \cdot x) \cdot xy &\stackrel{(2)}{=} xy \cdot (x \cdot xy) \stackrel{(13)}{=} y \cdot yx; \\
(yx \cdot y) \cdot xy &\stackrel{(14)}{=} (xy \cdot (y \cdot yx)) \cdot xy \stackrel{(2)}{=} xy \cdot ((y \cdot yx) \cdot xy) \stackrel{(18)}{=} xy \cdot x; \\
(x \cdot xy)(y \cdot yx) &\stackrel{(11)}{=} ((y \cdot yx)x)(y \cdot yx) \stackrel{(2)}{=} (y \cdot yx) \cdot x(y \cdot yx) \stackrel{(3)}{=} (y \cdot yx)y \stackrel{(10)}{=} xy \cdot x;
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (x \cdot xy)(xy \cdot x) &\stackrel{(6)}{=} x; \\
 (x \cdot xy)(yx \cdot y) &\stackrel{(19)}{=} ((yx \cdot y) \cdot yx)(yx \cdot y) \stackrel{(19)}{=} y(y \cdot yx) \stackrel{(4)}{=} xy; \\
 (y \cdot yx)(x \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(13)}{=} (y \cdot yx)(yx \cdot (y \cdot yx)) \stackrel{(2)}{=} (y \cdot yx)((yx \cdot y) \cdot yx) \stackrel{(17)}{=} yx \cdot y; \\
 (yx \cdot y)(x \cdot xy) &\stackrel{(10)}{=} ((x \cdot xy)x)(x \cdot xy) \stackrel{(19)}{=} xy \cdot (xy \cdot x) \stackrel{(15)}{=} y; \\
 (xy \cdot x)(yx \cdot y) &\stackrel{(8)}{=} (xy \cdot x)(x(xy \cdot x)) \stackrel{(2)}{=} (xy \cdot x)((x \cdot xy)x) \stackrel{(17)}{=} x \cdot xy.
 \end{aligned}$$

In each groupoid in  $\mathcal{V}_8$ , the equations  $ax = b$  and  $ya = b$  have solutions  $x = bba$  and  $y = ab \cdot a$ . Moreover, the cancellation laws hold:

$$\begin{aligned}
 ac = ad &\implies c = (ac \cdot a)a = (ad \cdot a)a = d, \\
 ca = da &\implies c = a(ca \cdot a) = a(ca \cdot a) = a(da \cdot a) = a(d \cdot da) = d.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\mathcal{V}_8$  is a variety of quasigroups.

The multiplication table of the subquasigroup of a quasigroup in  $\mathcal{V}_8$ , generated by the set  $\{x, y\}$ , is given as follows:

	$x$	$y$	$xy$	$yx$	$x \cdot xy$	$y \cdot yx$	$xy \cdot x$	$yx \cdot y$
$x$	$x$	$xy$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot x$	$yx$	$y$	$yx \cdot y$	$y \cdot yx$
$y$	$yx$	$y$	$yx \cdot y$	$y \cdot yx$	$x$	$xy$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot x$
$xy$	$xy \cdot x$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy$	$x$	$y \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot y$	$y$	$yx$
$yx$	$y \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot y$	$y$	$yx$	$xy \cdot x$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy$	$x$
$x \cdot xy$	$yx \cdot y$	$y \cdot yx$	$yx$	$y$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot x$	$x$	$xy$
$y \cdot yx$	$x \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot x$	$x$	$xy$	$yx \cdot y$	$y \cdot yx$	$yx$	$y$
$xy \cdot x$	$y$	$yx$	$y \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot y$	$xy$	$x$	$xy \cdot x$	$x \cdot xy$
$yx \cdot y$	$xy$	$x$	$xy \cdot x$	$x \cdot xy$	$y$	$yx$	$y \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot y$

All of the elements in the multiplication table are distinct:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x = xy &\implies xx = xy \implies x = y; \\
 x = x \cdot xy &\implies xx = x \cdot xy \implies x = xy; \\
 x = y \cdot yx &\implies xx = x(y \cdot yx) \implies x = y; \\
 x = xy \cdot x &\implies xx = xy \cdot x \implies x = xy; \\
 x = yx \cdot y &\implies xy = (yx \cdot y)y \implies xy = x; \\
 xy = yx &\implies xy \cdot yx = yx \cdot yx \implies x = yx; \\
 xy = x \cdot xy &\implies y = xy; \\
 xy = y \cdot yx &\implies x \cdot xy = x(y \cdot yx) \implies x \cdot xy = y; \\
 xy = xy \cdot x &\implies xy \cdot xy = xy \cdot x \implies xy = x; \\
 xy = yx \cdot y &\implies xy \cdot y = (yx \cdot y)y \implies x \cdot xy = x; \\
 x \cdot xy = y \cdot yx &\implies x(x \cdot xy) = x(y \cdot yx) \implies yx = y; \\
 x \cdot xy = xy \cdot x &\implies x \cdot xy = x \cdot yx \implies xy = yx; \\
 x \cdot xy = yx \cdot y &\implies x \cdot xy = y \cdot xy \implies x = y; \\
 xy \cdot x = yx \cdot y &\implies (xy \cdot x)x = (yx \cdot y)x \implies y = xy.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

4. A construction of (2,9)-variety of groupoids

THEOREM 4.1. Let  $\mathcal{V}_9$  be the variety of groupoids defined by the identities

$$(1) \ x \cdot xy = yx, \quad (2) \ xy \cdot (y \cdot xy) = x.$$

Then  $\mathcal{V}_9$  is a (2,9)-variety of quasigroups.

PROOF. One can check that the identities (3)–(30), given below, are satisfied by any groupoid in  $\mathcal{V}_9$ . We emphasize the identities that can be applied to the left-hand side of each equality in order to obtain its right-hand side.

Identity	Left-hand side = Right-hand side	Applied identities
(3)	$xy \cdot x = x \cdot yx$	(1), (1)
(4)	$xx = x$	(1), (1), (3), (2)
(5)	$(x \cdot yx) \cdot xy = xy \cdot yx$	(3), (3), (1)
(6)	$xy \cdot (x \cdot yx) = yx$	(3), (1), (1)
(7)	$(xy \cdot y) \cdot xy = x$	(3), (2)
(8)	$(x \cdot yx) \cdot yx = y \cdot xy$	(1), (2), (3)
(9)	$(x \cdot yx)y = x$	(2), (3), (7)
(10)	$yx \cdot x = xy \cdot y$	(1), (2), (3), (2)
(11)	$(x \cdot yx)x = yx \cdot xy$	(3), (10), (1)
(12)	$x(xy \cdot y) = yx \cdot xy$	(10), (3), (11)
(13)	$xy \cdot (yx \cdot xy) = y$	(1), (1), (2)
(14)	$(xy \cdot yx) \cdot yx = xy \cdot y$	(1), (13), (10)
(15)	$(xy \cdot y)x = y \cdot yx$	(10), (10), (8)
(16)	$(xy \cdot y)(x \cdot yx) = xy \cdot yx$	(15), (10), (1), (12)
(17)	$x(yx \cdot xy) = y \cdot yx$	(12), (1), (15)
(18)	$x(y \cdot xy) = xy \cdot yx$	(2), (10), (8), (5)
(19)	$x(xy \cdot yx) = y$	(18), (1), (9)
(20)	$(xy \cdot yx)x = xy$	(1), (19)
(21)	$(x \cdot yx)(xy \cdot yx) = yx$	(5), (1), (6)
(22)	$(xy \cdot yx)(x \cdot yx) = y \cdot yx$	(1), (21), (8)
(23)	$(xy \cdot yx)y = yx \cdot xy$	(1), (17), (18)
(24)	$(xy \cdot yx)(yx \cdot xy) = x \cdot yx$	(23), (1), (17)
(25)	$(x \cdot yx)(xy \cdot y) = xy$	(10), (1), (3), (2)
(26)	$(xy \cdot yx)(y \cdot xy) = yx$	(11), (3), (2)
(27)	$(x \cdot yx)(yx \cdot xy) = xy \cdot y$	(1), (26), (14), (10)
(28)	$(xy \cdot y)(xy \cdot yx) = xy$	(16), (1), (25)
(29)	$(xy \cdot yx)(xy \cdot y) = x$	(1), (28), (7)
(30)	$(x \cdot yx)(y \cdot xy) = y$	(8), (1), (3), (7)

Next, we show that every groupoid in  $\mathcal{V}_9$  is a quasigroup.

The equations  $ax = b$  and  $ya = b$  have solutions  $x = ab \cdot ba$  and  $y = b \cdot ab$  respectively, and they are unique. Namely, if  $ac = b$  and  $da = b$ , we have that  $c = ca \cdot (a \cdot ca) = (a \cdot ac)(ac \cdot a) = ab \cdot ba$  and  $d = da \cdot (a \cdot da) = b \cdot ab$ .

By the above identities, we have that a subquasigroup generated by two distinct elements  $x$  and  $y$  is represented by the following table, and one can check that all of the elements are distinct.

	$x$	$y$	$xy$	$yx$	$x \cdot yx$	$y \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot y$
$x$	$x$	$xy$	$yx$	$x \cdot yx$	$xy \cdot y$	$xy \cdot yx$	$y$	$y \cdot xy$	$yx \cdot xy$
$y$	$yx$	$y$	$y \cdot xy$	$xy$	$yx \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot y$	$x \cdot yx$	$x$	$xy \cdot yx$
$xy$	$x \cdot yx$	$xy \cdot y$	$xy$	$xy \cdot yx$	$yx$	$x$	$yx \cdot xy$	$y$	$y \cdot xy$
$yx$	$xy \cdot y$	$y \cdot xy$	$yx \cdot xy$	$yx$	$y$	$xy$	$x$	$xy \cdot yx$	$x \cdot yx$
$x \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot xy$	$x$	$xy \cdot yx$	$y \cdot xy$	$x \cdot yx$	$y$	$yx$	$xy \cdot y$	$xy$
$y \cdot xy$	$y$	$xy \cdot yx$	$x \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot xy$	$x$	$y \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot y$	$xy$	$yx$
$xy \cdot yx$	$xy$	$yx \cdot xy$	$y$	$xy \cdot y$	$y \cdot xy$	$yx$	$xy \cdot yx$	$x \cdot yx$	$x$
$yx \cdot xy$	$xy \cdot yx$	$yx$	$xy \cdot y$	$x$	$xy$	$x \cdot yx$	$y \cdot xy$	$yx \cdot xy$	$y$
$xy \cdot y$	$y \cdot xy$	$x \cdot yx$	$x$	$y$	$xy \cdot yx$	$yx \cdot xy$	$xy$	$yx$	$xy \cdot y$

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