

ON QUOTIENT LOOPS OF NORMAL SUBLOOPS

BY
C. SANTHAKUMARI

1. **Introduction.** The following result is due to Wielandt [1, Lemma 2.9]: Let A, B, K be N -submodules of some N -module, where N is a zero symmetric near-ring. Then the N -module, $\Gamma := (A + K) \cap (B + K) \mid (A \cap B) + K$ is commutative. Using this result Wielandt obtained density theorem for 2-primitive near-rings with identity. Betsch [1] used Wielandt's result to obtain the density theorem for 0-primitive near-rings. The purpose of this paper is to extend this result for loops.

2. **Result.** We prove the result for additive loops. For the definitions of loops, normal subloops see [2]. If G is any additive loop and H is a normal subloop of G , the quotient loop G modulo H is denoted by G/H in which addition is defined as $(x + H) + (y + H) = (x + y) + H$ for all $x + H, y + H$ in G/H [2, p. 61]; further, $x \in H$ iff $x + H = H$. Let G be any additive loop. For any $a \in G$, we shall denote the unique left and right additive inverses of a by a_1 and a_r respectively.

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let G be an additive loop and A, B, K be normal subloops of G , then the additive loop $\bar{G} = (A + K) \cap (B + K) \mid (A \cap B) + K$ is an additive abelian group.*

Proof. Let $E = (A \cap B) + K$ and $H = (A + K) \cap (B + K)$ and let 0 be the identity of the loop G . It is enough to show that for all $x, y, z \in H$; $(x + (y + z)) + E = ((x + y) + z) + E$ and $(x + y) + E = (y + x) + E$. Let $x, y, z \in H$. Then, $x \in A + K$; hence $x = a + p$, for some $a \in A$ and $p \in K$. Since, $y, z \in H$; $y, z \in B + K$, hence, $y = b + q$ and $z = c + r$, where $b, c \in B$ and $q, r \in K$. We wish to show that $x + E = a + E$, $y + E = b + E$ and $z + E = c + E$. Since E is a normal subloop of G [2, iv, Theorem 1.2 and Theorem 1.4], $(x + E) = (a + p) + E = a + (p + E)$. Since $p \in K, p \in E$ and hence $p + E = E$. Therefore, $x + E = a + E$. By a similar argument we get, $y + E = b + E$ and $z + E = c + E$. Since A is a normal subloop of G and since $a \in A, A + ((a + b) + c) = (A + (a + b)) + c = ((A + a) + b) + c = (A + b) + c = A + (b + c)$ and $A + (a + (b + c)) = (A + a) + (b + c) = A + (b + c)$. Therefore, $A + ((a + b) + c) = A + (a + (b + c))$. Since, $(a + b) + c \in A + ((a + b) + c)$, we have $(a + b) + c \in A + (a + (b + c))$; since A is a normal subloop of G , we have,

$$\begin{aligned} ((a + b) + c) + (a + (b + c))_r &\in \{A + (a + (b + c))\} + (a + (b + c))_r \\ &= A + \{(a + (b + c)) + (a + (b + c))_r\} = A + 0 = A. \end{aligned}$$

Received by the editors March 2, 1978 and, in revised form, October 2, 1978.

By a similar argument, we get, $B + ((a + b) + c) = B + (a + (b + c))$ and consequently $((a + b) + c) + (a + (b + c))_r \in B$. Therefore, $((a + b) + c) + (a + (b + c))_r \in A \cap B \subseteq E$. Hence,

$$\{((a + b) + c) + (a + (b + c))_r\} + E = E = 0 + E = \{(a + (b + c)) + (a + (b + c))_r\} + E.$$

Since G/E is a loop and since cancellation laws hold in a loop, we get, $(a + (b + c)) + E = ((a + b) + c) + E$. Therefore,

$$(x + (y + z)) + E = (a + (b + c)) + E = ((a + b) + c) + E = ((x + y) + z) + E.$$

Hence, the loop \bar{G} is associative and consequently \bar{G} is a group. Now we show that \bar{G} is abelian. Since A is a normal subloop of G and $a \in A$ we have, $A + (a + b) = (A + a) + b = A + b$ and $A + (b + a) = (b + a) + A = b + (a + A) = b + A = A + b$. Therefore, $A + (a + b) = A + (b + a)$ and hence, $(a + b) + (b + a)_r \in A$. By a similar argument we get, $(a + b) + (b + a)_r \in B$. Therefore $(a + b) + (b + a)_r \in A \cap B \subseteq E$. Hence, $(a + b) + E = (b + a) + E$. Therefore, $(x + y) + E = (a + b) + E = (b + a) + E = (y + x) + E$. Hence, \bar{G} is abelian. Hence the result.

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let G be an additive loop and let no nonzero epimorphic image of any normal subloop of G be an abelian group. Then the lattice of normal subloops of G is distributive.*

Proof. Let A, B, K be normal subloops of G and let $H = (A + K) \cap (B + K)$, $E = (A \cap B) + K$ and $\bar{G} = H/E$. Now, H is a normal subloop of G [2, iv, Theorems 1.2; 1.4], \bar{G} is an epimorphic image of H ; but \bar{G} is an abelian group (prop. 2.1), hence we must have $H = E$, that is, $(A + K) \cap (B + K) = (A \cap B) + K$. Therefore, the lattice of normal subloops of G is distributive.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. I wish to thank the referee and Professor D. Ramakotaiah for their valuable suggestions. I would also like to thank the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, New Delhi, India, for the financial assistance.

REFERENCES

1. G. Betsch, *Primitive near-rings*, Math. z, **130**, 351–461 (1973).
2. R. Hubert Bruck, *A survey of binary systems*, Springer-Verlag, New York, Inc, 1966.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS
NAGARJUNA UNIVERSITY
NAGARJUNANAGAR, 522 510
ANDHRA PRADESH, INDIA.