



A “q-deformed” Generalization of the Hosszú-Gluskin Theorem

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Abstract. In this paper a new form of the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem is presented in terms of polyadic powers and using the language of diagrams. It is shown that the Hosszú-Gluskin chain formula is not unique and can be generalized (“deformed”) using a parameter q which takes special integer values. A version of the “q-deformed” analog of the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem in the form of an invariance is formulated, and some examples are considered. The “q-deformed” homomorphism theorem is also given.

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1. Introduction

Since the early days of “polyadic history” [1–3], the interconnection between polyadic systems and binary ones has been one of the main areas of interest [4, 5]. Early constructions were confined to building some special polyadic (mostly ternary [6, 7]) operations on elements of binary groups [8–10]. A very special form of n -ary multiplication in terms of binary multiplication and a special mapping as a chain formula was found in [11] and [12, 13]. The theorem that any n -ary multiplication can be presented in this form is called the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem (for review see [14, 15]). A concise and clear proof of the Hosszú-Gluskin chain formula was presented in [16].

In this paper we give a new form of the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem in terms of polyadic powers. Then we show that the Hosszú-Gluskin chain formula is not unique and can be generalized (“deformed”) using a parameter q which takes special integer values. We present the “q-deformed” analog of the Hosszú-Gluskin

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theorem in the form of an invariance and consider some examples. The “ q -deformed” homomorphism theorem is also given.

2. Preliminaries

We will use the concise notations from our previous review paper [17], while here we repeat some necessary definitions using the language of diagrams. For a non-empty set G , we denote its elements by lower-case Latin letters $g_i \in G$ and the n -tuple (or *polyad*) g_1, \dots, g_n will be written by (g_1, \dots, g_n) or using one bold letter with index $\mathbf{g}^{(n)}$, and an n -tuple with equal elements by \mathbf{g}^n . In case the number of elements in the n -tuple is clear from the context or is not important, we denote it in one bold letter \mathbf{g} without indices. We omit $g \in G$, if it is obvious from the context.

The Cartesian product $\overbrace{G \times \dots \times G}^n = G^{\times n}$ consists of all n -tuples (g_1, \dots, g_n) , such that $g_i \in G, i = 1, \dots, n$. The i -projection of the Cartesian product G^n on its i -th “axis” is the map $\text{Pr}_i^{(n)} : G^{\times n} \rightarrow G$ such that $(g_1, \dots, g_i, \dots, g_n) \mapsto g_i$. The i -diagonal $\text{Diag}_n : G \rightarrow G^{\times n}$ sends one element to the equal element n -tuple $g \mapsto (\mathbf{g}^n)$. The one-point set $\{\bullet\}$ is treated as a unit for the Cartesian product, since there are bijections between G and $G \times \{\bullet\}^{\times n}$, where G can be on any place. In diagrams, if the place is unimportant, we denote such bijections by ϵ . On the Cartesian product $G^{\times n}$ one can define a polyadic (n -ary or n -adic, if it is necessary to specify n , its arity or rank) operation $\mu_n : G^{\times n} \rightarrow G$. For operations we use small Greek letters and place arguments in square brackets $\mu_n[\mathbf{g}]$. The operations with $n = 1, 2, 3$ are called *unary, binary and ternary*. The case $n = 0$ is special and corresponds to fixing a distinguished element of G , a “constant” $c \in G$, and it is called a *0-ary operation* $\mu_0^{(c)}$, which maps the one-point set $\{\bullet\}$ to G , such that $\mu_0^{(c)} : \{\bullet\} \rightarrow G$, and (formally) has the value $\mu_0^{(c)}[\{\bullet\}] = c \in G$. The composition of n -ary and m -ary operations $\mu_n \circ \mu_m$ gives a $(n + m - 1)$ -ary operation by the iteration $\mu_{n+m-1}[\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}] = \mu_n[\mathbf{g}, \mu_m[\mathbf{h}]]$. If we compose μ_n with the 0-ary operation $\mu_0^{(c)}$, then we obtain the arity “collapsing” $\mu_{n-1}^{(c)}[\mathbf{g}] = \mu_n[\mathbf{g}, c]$, because \mathbf{g} is a polyad of length $(n - 1)$. A universal algebra is a set which is closed under several polyadic operations [18]. If a concrete universal algebra has one fundamental n -ary operation, called a *polyadic multiplication* (or *n -ary multiplication*) μ_n , we name it a “polyadic system”¹⁾.

Definition 2.1. A *polyadic system* $G = \langle \text{set} | \text{one fundamental operation} \rangle$ is a set G which is closed under polyadic multiplication.

More specifically, a *n -ary system* $G_n = \langle G | \mu_n \rangle$ is a set G closed under one n -ary operation μ_n (without any other additional structure).

For a given n -ary system $\langle G | \mu_n \rangle$ one can construct another polyadic system $\langle G | \mu_{n'} \rangle$ over the same set G , but with another multiplication $\mu_{n'}$ of different arity n' . In general, there are three ways of changing the arity:

1. *Iterating.* Composition of the operation μ_n with itself increases the arity from n to $n' = n_{iter} > n$. We denote the number of iterating multiplications by ℓ_μ and call the resulting composition an *iterated product*²⁾ $\mu_n^{\ell_\mu}$ (using the bold Greek letters) as (or μ_n^\bullet if ℓ_μ is obvious or not important)

$$\mu_{n'} = \mu_n^{\ell_\mu} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \overbrace{\mu_n \circ (\mu_n \circ \dots (\mu_n \times \text{id}^{\times(n-1)}) \dots \times \text{id}^{\times(n-1)})}^{\ell_\mu}, \tag{2.1}$$

¹⁾A set with one closed binary operation without any other relations was called a groupoid by Hausmann and Ore [19] (see, also [20]). Nowadays the term “groupoid” is widely used in the category theory and homotopy theory for a different construction, the so-called Brandt groupoid [21]. Bourbaki [22] introduced the term “magma”. To avoid misreading we will use the neutral notation “polyadic system”.

²⁾Sometimes $\mu_n^{\ell_\mu}$ is named a long product [3].

where the final arity is

$$n' = n_{iter} = \ell_\mu (n - 1) + 1. \tag{2.2}$$

There are many variants of placing μ_n 's among id's in the r.h.s. of (2.1), if no associativity is assumed. An example of the iterated product can be given for a ternary operation μ_3 ($n = 3$), where we can construct a 7-ary operation ($n' = 7$) by $\ell_\mu = 3$ compositions

$$\mu'_7 [g_1, \dots, g_7] = \mu_3^3 [g_1, \dots, g_7] = \mu_3 [\mu_3 [\mu_3 [g_1, g_2, g_3], g_4, g_5], g_6, g_7], \tag{2.3}$$

and the corresponding commutative diagram is

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 G^{\times 7} & \xrightarrow{\mu_3 \times \text{id}^{\times 4}} & G^{\times 5} & \xrightarrow{\mu_3 \times \text{id}^{\times 2}} & G^{\times 3} \\
 & \searrow \mu'_7 = \mu_3^3 & & & \downarrow \mu_3 \\
 & & & & G
 \end{array} \tag{2.4}$$

In the general case, the horizontal part of the (iterating) diagram (2.4) consists of ℓ_μ terms.

2. *Reducing (Collapsing)*. To decrease arity from n to $n' = n_{red} < n$ one can use n_c distinguished elements ("constants") as additional 0-ary operations $\mu_0^{(c_i)}$, $i = 1, \dots, n_c$, such that³⁾ the reduced product is defined by

$$\mu'_{n'} = \mu_{n'}^{(c_1 \dots c_{n_c})} \stackrel{def}{=} \mu_n \circ \left(\overbrace{\mu_0^{(c_1)} \times \dots \times \mu_0^{(c_{n_c})}}^{n_c} \times \text{id}^{\times (n-n_c)} \right), \tag{2.5}$$

where

$$n' = n_{red} = n - n_c, \tag{2.6}$$

and the 0-ary operations $\mu_0^{(c_i)}$ can be on any places in (2.5). For instance, if we compose μ_n with the 0-ary operation $\mu_0^{(c)}$, we obtain

$$\mu_{n-1}^{(c)} [g] = \mu_n [g, c], \tag{2.7}$$

and this reduced product is described by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G^{\times (n-1)} \times \{\bullet\} & \xrightarrow{\text{id}^{\times (n-1)} \times \mu_0^{(c)}} & G^{\times n} \\
 \uparrow \epsilon & & \downarrow \mu_n \\
 G^{\times (n-1)} & \xrightarrow{\mu_{n-1}^{(c)}} & G
 \end{array} \tag{2.8}$$

which can be treated as a definition of a new $(n - 1)$ -ary operation $\mu_{n-1}^{(c)} = \mu_n \circ \mu_0^{(c)}$.

3. *Mixing*. Changing (increasing or decreasing) arity by combining the iterating and reducing (collapsing) methods.

³⁾In [23] $\mu_n^{(c_1 \dots c_{n_c})}$ is called a retract, which is already a busy and widely used term in category theory for another construction.

Example 2.2. If the initial multiplication is binary $\mu_2 = (\cdot)$, and there is one 0-ary operation $\mu_0^{(c)}$, we can construct the following mixing operation

$$\mu_n^{(c)} [g_1, \dots, g_n] = g_1 \cdot g_2 \cdot \dots \cdot g_n \cdot c, \quad (2.9)$$

which in our notation can be called a c -iterated multiplication⁴).

Let us recall some special elements of polyadic systems. A positive power of an element (according to Post [4]) coincides with the number of multiplications ℓ_μ in the iteration (2.1).

Definition 2.3. A (positive) polyadic power of an element is

$$g^{(\ell_\mu)} = \mu_n^{\ell_\mu} [g^{\ell_\mu(n-1)+1}]. \quad (2.10)$$

Example 2.4. Let us consider a polyadic version of the binary q -addition which appears in study of nonextensive statistics (see, e.g., [25, 26])

$$\mu_n [g] = \sum_{i=1}^n g_i + \hbar \prod_{i=1}^n g_i, \quad (2.11)$$

where $g_i \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\hbar = 1 - q_0$, q_0 is a real constant (we put here $q_0 \neq 1$ or $\hbar \neq 0$). It is obvious that $g^{(0)} = g$, and

$$g^{(1)} = \mu_n [g^{n-1}, g^{(0)}] = ng + \hbar g^n. \quad (2.12)$$

So we have the following recurrence formula

$$g^{(k)} = \mu_n [g^{n-1}, g^{(k-1)}] = (n-1)g + (1 + \hbar g^{n-1})g^{(k-1)}. \quad (2.13)$$

Solving this for an arbitrary polyadic power we get

$$g^{(k)} = g \left(1 + \frac{n-1}{\hbar} g^{1-n} \right) (1 + \hbar g^{n-1})^k - \frac{n-1}{\hbar} g^{2-n}. \quad (2.14)$$

Definition 2.5. A polyadic (n -ary) identity (or neutral element) of a polyadic system is a distinguished element ε (and the corresponding 0-ary operation $\mu_0^{(\varepsilon)}$) such that for any element $g \in G$ we have [27]

$$\mu_n [g, \varepsilon^{n-1}] = g, \quad (2.15)$$

where g can be on any place in the l.h.s. of (2.15).

In polyadic systems, for an element g there can exist many neutral polyads $\mathbf{n} \in G^{\times(n-1)}$ satisfying

$$\mu_n [g, \mathbf{n}] = g, \quad (2.16)$$

where g may be on any place. The neutral polyads are not determined uniquely. It follows from (2.15) and (2.16) that ε^{n-1} is a neutral polyad.

Definition 2.6. An element of a polyadic system g is called ℓ_μ -idempotent, if there exist such ℓ_μ that

$$g^{(\ell_\mu)} = g. \quad (2.17)$$

⁴According to [24] the operation (2.9) can be called c -derived.

It is obvious that an identity is ℓ_μ -idempotent with arbitrary ℓ_μ . We define (total) associativity as invariance of the composition of two n -ary multiplications

$$\mu_n^2 [g, h, u] = \text{invariant} \tag{2.18}$$

under placement of the internal multiplication in the r.h.s. with a fixed order of elements in the whole polyad of $(2n - 1)$ elements $t^{(2n-1)} = (g, h, u)$. Informally, “internal brackets/multiplication can be moved on any place”, which gives

$$\mu_n \circ \left(\overset{i=1}{\mu_n} \times \text{id}^{\times(n-1)} \right) = \mu_n \circ \left(\text{id} \times \overset{i=2}{\mu_n} \times \text{id}^{\times(n-2)} \right) = \dots = \mu_n \circ \left(\text{id}^{\times(n-1)} \times \overset{i=n}{\mu_n} \right), \tag{2.19}$$

where the internal μ_n can be on any place $i = 1, \dots, n$. There are many other particular kinds of associativity which were introduced in [4, 28] and studied in [29, 30] (see, also [31]). Here we will confine ourselves to the most general, total associativity (2.18).

Definition 2.7. A polyadic semigroup (n -ary semigroup) is a n -ary system whose operation is associative, or $G_n^{\text{semigrp}} = \langle G \mid \mu_n \mid \text{associativity (2.18)} \rangle$.

In general, it is very important to find the associativity preserving conditions, when an associative initial operation μ_n leads to an associative final operation μ'_n , while changing the arity (by iterating (2.1) or reducing (2.5)).

Example 2.8. An associativity preserving reduction can be given by the construction of a binary associative operation using a $(n - 2)$ -tuple c as

$$\mu_2^{(c)} [g, h] = \mu_n [g, c, h]. \tag{2.20}$$

The associativity preserving mixing constructions with different arities and places were considered in [23, 30, 32].

In polyadic systems, there are several analogs of binary commutativity. The most straightforward one comes from commutation of the multiplication with permutations.

Definition 2.9. A polyadic system is σ -commutative, if $\mu_n = \mu_n \circ \sigma$, where σ is a fixed element of S_n , the permutation group on n elements. If this holds for all $\sigma \in S_n$, then a polyadic system is commutative.

A special type of the σ -commutativity

$$\mu_n [g, t, h] = \mu_n [h, t, g] \tag{2.21}$$

is called *semicommutativity*. So for a n -ary semicommutative system we have

$$\mu_n [g, h^{n-1}] = \mu_n [h^{n-1}, g]. \tag{2.22}$$

If a n -ary semigroup G_n^{semigrp} is iterated from a commutative binary semigroup with identity, then G_n^{semigrp} is semicommutative. Another possibility is to generalize the binary mediality in semigroups

$$(g_{11} \cdot g_{12}) \cdot (g_{21} \cdot g_{22}) = (g_{11} \cdot g_{21}) \cdot (g_{12} \cdot g_{22}), \tag{2.23}$$

which follows from the binary commutativity. For n -ary systems, it is seen that the mediality should contain $(n + 1)$ multiplications, that it is a relation between $n \times n$ elements, and therefore that it can be presented in a matrix from.

Definition 2.10. A polyadic system is medial (or entropic), if [33, 34]

$$\mu_n \begin{bmatrix} \mu_n [g_{11}, \dots, g_{1n}] \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n [g_{n1}, \dots, g_{nn}] \end{bmatrix} = \mu_n \begin{bmatrix} \mu_n [g_{11}, \dots, g_{n1}] \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n [g_{1n}, \dots, g_{nn}] \end{bmatrix}. \tag{2.24}$$

In the case of polyadic semigroups we use the notation (2.1) and can present the mediality as follows

$$\mu_n^n [G] = \mu_n^n [G^T], \quad (2.25)$$

where $G = \|\|g_{ij}\|\|$ is the $n \times n$ matrix of elements and G^T is its transpose.

The semicommutative polyadic semigroups are medial, as in the binary case, but, in general (except $n = 3$) not vice versa [35].

Definition 2.11. A polyadic system is cancellative, if

$$\mu_n [g, \mathbf{t}] = \mu_n [h, \mathbf{t}] \implies g = h, \quad (2.26)$$

where g, h can be on any place. This means that the mapping μ_n is one-to-one in each variable.

If g, h are on the same i -th place on both sides of (2.26), the polyadic system is called i -cancellative. The left and right cancellativity are 1-cancellativity and n -cancellativity respectively. A right and left cancellative n -ary semigroup is cancellative (with respect to the same subset).

Definition 2.12. A polyadic system is called (uniquely) i -solvable, if for all polyads \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{u} and element h , one can (uniquely) resolve the equation (with respect to h) for the fundamental operation

$$\mu_n [\mathbf{u}, h, \mathbf{t}] = g \quad (2.27)$$

where h can be on any i -th place.

Definition 2.13. A polyadic system which is uniquely i -solvable for all places $i = 1, \dots, n$ in (2.27) is called a n -ary (or polyadic) quasigroup.

It follows, that, if (2.27) uniquely i -solvable for all places, then

$$\mu_n^{\ell_i} [\mathbf{u}, h, \mathbf{t}] = g \quad (2.28)$$

can be (uniquely) resolved with respect to h being on any place.

Definition 2.14. An associative polyadic quasigroup is called a n -ary (or polyadic) group.

In a polyadic group the only solution of (2.27) is called a *querelement*⁵⁾ of g and is denoted by \bar{g} [3], such that

$$\mu_n [h, \bar{g}] = g, \quad (2.29)$$

where \bar{g} can be on any place. Obviously, any idempotent g coincides with its querelement $\bar{g} = g$.

Example 2.15. For the q -addition (2.11) from Example 2.4, using (2.29) with $h = g^{n-1}$ we obtain

$$\bar{g} = -\frac{(n-2)g}{1 + hg^{n-1}}. \quad (2.30)$$

⁵⁾We use the original notation after [3] and do not use "skew element", because it can be confused with the wide usage of "skew" in other, different senses.

It follows from (2.29) and (2.16), that the polyad

$$\mathbf{n}_{(\bar{g})} = (g^{n-2}, \bar{g}) \tag{2.31}$$

is neutral for any element g , where \bar{g} can be on any place. If this i -th place is important, then we write $\mathbf{n}_{(g),i}$. More generally, because any neutral polyad plays a role of identity (see (2.16)), for any element g we define its *polyadic inverse* (the sequence of length $(n - 2)$ denoted by the same letter \mathbf{g}^{-1} in bold) as (see [4] and by modified analogy with [15, 36])

$$\mathbf{n}_{(g)} = (\mathbf{g}^{-1}, g) = (g, \mathbf{g}^{-1}), \tag{2.32}$$

which can be written in terms of the multiplication as

$$\mu_n [g, \mathbf{g}^{-1}, h] = \mu_n [h, \mathbf{g}^{-1}, g] = h \tag{2.33}$$

for all h in G . It is obvious that the polyads

$$\mathbf{n}_{(g^k)} = ((\mathbf{g}^{-1})^k, g^k) = (g^k, (\mathbf{g}^{-1})^k) \tag{2.34}$$

are neutral as well for any $k \geq 1$. It follows from (2.31) that the polyadic inverse of g is (g^{n-3}, \bar{g}) , and one of \bar{g} is (g^{n-2}) , and in this case g is called *querable*. In a polyadic group all elements are querable [37, 38].

The number of relations in (2.29) can be reduced from n (the number of possible places) to only 2 (when g is on the first and last places [3, 39]), such that in a polyadic group the *Dörnte relations*

$$\mu_n [g, \mathbf{n}_{(g),i}] = \mu_n [\mathbf{n}_{(g),j}, g] = g \tag{2.35}$$

hold valid for any allowable i, j , and (2.35) are analogs of $g \cdot h \cdot h^{-1} = h \cdot h^{-1} \cdot g = g$ in binary groups. The relation (2.29) can be treated as a definition of the (unary) *queroperation* $\bar{\mu}_1 : G \rightarrow G$ by

$$\bar{\mu}_1 [g] = \bar{g}, \tag{2.36}$$

such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G^{\times n} & \xrightarrow{\mu_n} & G \\ \text{id}^{\times(n-1)} \times \bar{\mu}_1 \uparrow & & \nearrow \text{Pr}_n \\ G^{\times n} & & \end{array} \tag{2.37}$$

commutes. Then, using the queroperation (2.36) one can give a diagrammatic definition of a polyadic group (cf. [40]).

Definition 2.16. A polyadic group is a universal algebra

$$G_n^{grp} = \langle G \mid \mu_n, \bar{\mu}_1 \mid \text{associativity, Dörnte relations} \rangle, \tag{2.38}$$

where μ_n is n -ary associative operation and $\bar{\mu}_1$ is the queroperation (2.36), such that the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} G^{\times(n)} & \xrightarrow{\text{id}^{\times(n-1)} \times \bar{\mu}_1} & G^{\times n} & \xleftarrow{\bar{\mu}_1 \times \text{id}^{\times(n-1)}} & G^{\times n} \\ \text{id} \times \text{Diag}_{(n-1)} \uparrow & & \downarrow \mu_n & & \uparrow \text{Diag}_{(n-1)} \times \text{id} \\ G \times G & \xrightarrow{\text{Pr}_1} & G & \xleftarrow{\text{Pr}_2} & G \times G \end{array} \tag{2.39}$$

commutes, where $\bar{\mu}_1$ can be only on the first and second places from the right (resp. left) on the left (resp. right) part of the diagram.

A straightforward generalization of the queroperation concept and corresponding definitions can be made by substituting in the above formulas (2.29)–(2.36) the n -ary multiplication μ_n by the iterating multiplication $\mu_n^{\ell_\mu}$ (2.1) (cf. [41] for $\ell_\mu = 2$ and [42]).

Let us define the querpower k of g recursively by [43, 44]

$$\bar{g}^{\langle\langle k \rangle\rangle} = \overline{\bar{g}^{\langle\langle k-1 \rangle\rangle}}, \tag{2.40}$$

where $\bar{g}^{\langle\langle 0 \rangle\rangle} = g$, $\bar{g}^{\langle\langle 1 \rangle\rangle} = \bar{g}$, $\bar{g}^{\langle\langle 2 \rangle\rangle} = \overline{\bar{g}}$,... or as the k composition $\bar{\mu}_1^{\circ k} = \overbrace{\bar{\mu}_1 \circ \bar{\mu}_1 \circ \dots \circ \bar{\mu}_1}^k$ of the unary queroperation (2.36). We can define the negative polyadic power of an element g by the recursive relationship

$$\mu_n [g^{\langle\ell_\mu-1\rangle}, g^{n-2}, g^{\langle-\ell_\mu\rangle}] = g, \tag{2.41}$$

or (after the use of the positive polyadic power (2.10)) as a solution of the equation

$$\mu_n^{\ell_\mu} [g^{\ell_\mu(n-1)}, g^{\langle-\ell_\mu\rangle}] = g. \tag{2.42}$$

The querpower (2.40) and the polyadic power (2.42) are connected [45]. We reformulate this connection using the so called Heine numbers [46] or q -deformed numbers [47]

$$[[k]]_q = \frac{q^k - 1}{q - 1}, \tag{2.43}$$

which have the “nondeformed” limit $q \rightarrow 1$ as $[[k]]_q \rightarrow k$ and $[[0]]_q = 0$. If $[[k]]_q = 0$, then q is a k -th root of unity. From (2.40) and (2.42) we obtain

$$\bar{g}^{\langle\langle k \rangle\rangle} = g^{\langle-[[k]]_{2-n}\rangle}, \tag{2.44}$$

which can be treated as the following “deformation” statement:

Assertion 2.17. *The querpower coincides with the negative polyadic deformed power with the “deformation” parameter q which is equal to the “deviation” $(2 - n)$ from the binary group.*

Example 2.18. *Let us consider a binary group $G_2 = \langle G \mid \mu_2 \rangle$, we denote $\mu_2 = (\cdot)$, and construct (using (2.1) and (2.5)) the reduced 4-ary product by $\mu'_4 [g] = g_1 \cdot g_2 \cdot g_3 \cdot g_4 \cdot c$, where $g_i \in G$ and c is in the center of the group G_2 . In the 4-ary group $G'_4 = \langle G, \mu'_4 \rangle$ we derive the following positive and negative polyadic powers (obviously $g^{(0)} = \bar{g}^{\langle\langle 0 \rangle\rangle} = g$)*

$$g^{(1)} = g^4 \cdot c, \quad g^{(2)} = g^7 \cdot c^2, \dots, g^{(k)} = g^{3k+1} \cdot c^k, \tag{2.45}$$

$$g^{\langle-1\rangle} = g^{-2} \cdot c^{-1}, \quad g^{\langle-2\rangle} = g^{-5} \cdot c^{-2}, \dots, g^{\langle-k\rangle} = g^{-3k+1} \cdot c^{-k}, \tag{2.46}$$

and the querpowers

$$\bar{g}^{\langle\langle 1 \rangle\rangle} = g^{-2} \cdot c^{-1}, \quad \bar{g}^{\langle\langle 2 \rangle\rangle} = g^{-4} \cdot c, \dots, \quad \bar{g}^{\langle\langle k \rangle\rangle} = g^{(-2)^k} \cdot c^{[[k]]_{-2}}. \tag{2.47}$$

Let $G_n = \langle G \mid \mu_n \rangle$ and $G'_n = \langle G' \mid \mu'_n \rangle$ be two polyadic systems of any kind. If their multiplications are of the same arity $n = n'$, then one can define the following one-place mappings from G_n to G'_n (for many-place mappings, which change arity $n \neq n'$ and corresponding heteromorphisms, see [17]).

Suppose we have $n + 1$ mappings $\Phi_i : G \rightarrow G'$, $i = 1, \dots, n + 1$. An ordered system of mappings $\{\Phi_i\}$ is called a homotopy from G_n to G'_n , if (see, e.g., [34])

$$\Phi_{n+1} (\mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n]) = \mu'_n [\Phi_1 (g_1), \dots, \Phi_n (g_n)], \quad g_i \in G. \tag{2.48}$$

A homomorphism from G_n to G'_n is given, if there exists a (one-place) mapping $\Phi : G \rightarrow G'$ satisfying

$$\Phi(\mu_n[g_1, \dots, g_n]) = \mu'_n[\Phi(g_1), \dots, \Phi(g_n)], \quad g_i \in G, \quad (2.49)$$

which means that the corresponding (equiary⁶⁾) diagram is commutative

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & G' \\ \mu_n \uparrow & & \uparrow \mu'_n \\ G^{\times n} & \xrightarrow{(\varphi)^{\times n}} & (G')^{\times n} \end{array} \quad (2.50)$$

It is obvious that, if a polyadic system contains distinguished elements (identities, querelements, etc.), they are also mapped by φ correspondingly (for details and a review, see, e.g., [42, 48]). The most important application of one-place mappings is in establishing a general structure for n -ary multiplication.

3. The Hosszú-Gluskin Theorem

Let us consider possible concrete forms of polyadic multiplication in terms of lesser arity operations. Obviously, the simplest way of constructing a n -ary product μ'_n from the binary one $\mu_2 = (*)$ is $\ell_\mu = n$ iteration (2.1) [8, 49]

$$\mu'_n[g] = g_1 * g_2 * \dots * g_n, \quad g_i \in G. \quad (3.1)$$

In [3] it was noted that not all n -ary groups have a product of this special form. The binary group $G_2^* = \langle G \mid \mu_2 = *, e \rangle$ was called a *covering group* of the n -ary group $G'_n = \langle G \mid \mu'_n \rangle$ in [4] (see, also, [50]), where a theorem establishing a more general (than (3.1)) structure of $\mu'_n[g]$ in terms of subgroup structure of the covering group was given. A manifest form of the n -ary group product $\mu'_n[g]$ in terms of the binary one and a special mapping was found in [11, 13] and is called the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem, despite the same formulas having appeared much earlier in [4, 51] (for the relationship between the formulations, see [52]). A simple construction of $\mu'_n[g]$ which is present in the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem was given in [16]. Here we follow this scheme in the opposite direction, by just deriving the final formula step by step (without writing it immediately) with clear examples. Then we introduce a “deformation” to it in such a way that a generalized “ q -deformed” Hosszú-Gluskin theorem can be formulated.

First, let us rewrite (3.1) in its equivalent form

$$\mu'_n[g] = g_1 * g_2 * \dots * g_n * e, \quad g_i, e \in G, \quad (3.2)$$

where e is a distinguished element of the binary group $\langle G \mid *, e \rangle$, that is the identity. Now we apply to (3.2) an “extended” version of the homotopy relation (2.48) with $\Phi_i = \psi_i, i = 1, \dots, n$, and the l.h.s. mapping $\Phi_{n+1} = \text{id}$, but add an action ψ_{n+1} on the identity e of the binary group $\langle G \mid *, e \rangle$. Then we get (see (2.7) and (2.9))

$$\mu_n[g] = \mu_n^{(e)}[g] = \psi_1(g_1) * \psi_2(g_2) * \dots * \psi_n(g_n) * \psi_{n+1}(e) = \left(* \prod_{i=1}^n \psi_i(g_i) \right) * \psi_{n+1}(e). \quad (3.3)$$

In this way we have obtained the most general form of polyadic multiplication in terms of $(n + 1)$ “extended” homotopy maps $\psi_i, i = 1, \dots, n + 1$, such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} G^{\times(n)} \times \{\bullet\} & \xrightarrow{\text{id}^{\times n} \times \mu_0^{(e)}} & G^{\times(n+1)} & \xrightarrow{\psi_1 \times \dots \times \psi_{n+1}} & G^{\times(n+1)} \\ \epsilon \uparrow & & & & \downarrow \mu_2^{\times n} \\ G^{\times(n)} & \xrightarrow{\mu_n^{(e)}} & G & & \end{array} \quad (3.4)$$

⁶⁾The map is equiary, if it does not change the arity of operations i.e. $n = n'$, for nonequiary maps see [17] and refs. therein.

commutes. A natural question arises, whether all associative polyadic systems have this form of multiplication or do we have others? In general, we can correspondingly classify polyadic systems as:

$$1) \text{ Homotopic polyadic systems which can be presented in the form (3.3).} \quad (3.5)$$

$$2) \text{ Nonhomotopic polyadic systems with multiplication of other than (3.3) shapes.} \quad (3.6)$$

If the second class is nonempty, it would be interesting to find examples of nonhomotopic polyadic systems. The Hosszú-Gluskin theorem considers the homotopic polyadic systems and gives one of the possible choices for the “extended” homotopy maps ψ_i in (3.3). We will show that this choice can be extended (“deformed”) to the infinite “q-series”.

The main idea in constructing the “automatically” associative n -ary operation μ_n in (3.3) is to express the binary multiplication $(*)$ and the “extended” homotopy maps ψ_i in terms of μ_n itself [16]. A simplest binary multiplication which can be built from μ_n is (see (2.20))

$$g *_t h = \mu_n [g, t, h], \quad (3.7)$$

where t is any fixed polyad of length $(n - 2)$. If we apply here the equations for the identity e in a binary group

$$g *_t e = g, \quad e *_t h = h, \quad (3.8)$$

then we obtain

$$\mu_n [g, t, e] = g, \quad \mu_n [e, t, h] = h. \quad (3.9)$$

We observe from (3.9) that (t, e) and (e, t) are neutral sequences of length $(n - 1)$, and therefore using (2.32) we can take t as a polyadic inverse of e (the identity of the binary group) considered as an element (but not an identity) of the polyadic system $\langle G \mid \mu_n \rangle$, that is $t = e^{-1}$. Then, the binary multiplication constructed from μ_n and which has the standard identity properties (3.8) can be chosen as

$$g * h = g *_e h = \mu_n [g, e^{-1}, h]. \quad (3.10)$$

Using this construction any element of the polyadic system $\langle G \mid \mu_n \rangle$ can be distinguished and may serve as the identity of the binary group, and is then denoted by e (for clarity and convenience).

We recognize in (3.10) a version of the Maltsev term (see, e.g., [18]), which can be called a *polyadic Maltsev term* and is defined as

$$p(g, e, h) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu_n [g, e^{-1}, h] \quad (3.11)$$

having the standard term properties [18]

$$p(g, e, e) = g, \quad p(e, e, h) = h, \quad (3.12)$$

which now follow from (3.9), i.e. the polyads (e, e^{-1}) and (e^{-1}, e) are neutral, as they should be (2.32). Denote by g^{-1} the inverse element of g in the binary group ($g * g^{-1} = g^{-1} * g = e$) and \bar{g}^{-1} its polyadic inverse in a n -ary group (2.32), then it follows from (3.10) that $\mu_n [g, e^{-1}, \bar{g}^{-1}] = e$. Thus, we get

$$g^{-1} = \mu_n [e, \bar{g}^{-1}, e], \quad (3.13)$$

which can be considered as a connection between the inverse g^{-1} in the binary group and the polyadic inverse in the polyadic system related to the same element g . For n -ary group we can write $\bar{g}^{-1} = (g^{n-3}, \bar{g})$ and the binary group inverse g^{-1} becomes

$$g^{-1} = \mu_n [e, g^{n-3}, \bar{g}, e]. \quad (3.14)$$

If $\langle G \mid \mu_n \rangle$ is a n -ary group, then the element e is querable (2.33), for the polyadic inverse e^{-1} one can choose (e^{n-3}, \bar{e}) with \bar{e} being on any place, and the polyadic Maltsev term becomes [53] $p(g, e, h) = \mu_n [g, e^{n-3}, \bar{e}, h]$ (together with the multiplication (3.10)). For instance, if $n = 3$, we have

$$g * h = \mu_3 [g, \bar{e}, h], \quad g^{-1} = \mu_3 [e, \bar{g}, e], \tag{3.15}$$

and the neutral polyads are (e, \bar{e}) and (\bar{e}, e) .

Now let us turn to build the main construction, that of the “extended” homotopy maps ψ_i (3.3) in terms of μ_n , which will lead to the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem. We start with a simple example of a ternary system (3.15), derive the Hosszú-Gluskin “chain formula”, and then it will be clear how to proceed for generic n . Instead of (3.3) we write

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = \psi_1 (g) * \psi_2 (h) * \psi_3 (u) * \psi_4 (e) \tag{3.16}$$

and try to construct ψ_i in terms of the ternary product μ_3 and the binary identity e . We already know the structure of the binary multiplication (3.15): it contains \bar{e} , and therefore we can insert between g, h and u in the l.h.s. of (3.16) a neutral ternary polyad (\bar{e}, e) or its powers (\bar{e}^k, e^k) . Thus, taking for all insertions the *minimal number* of neutral polyads, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_3 [g, h, u] &= \mu_3^2 \left[g, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, e, h, u \right] = \mu_3^4 \left[g, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, e, h, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, e, e, u \right] \\ &= \mu_3^7 \left[g, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, e, h, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, e, e, u, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, e, e, e \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

We show by arrows the binary products in special places: there should be $1, 3, 5, \dots (2k - 1)$ elements in between them to form inner ternary products. Then we rewrite (3.17) as

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = \mu_3^3 \left[g, \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, \mu_3 [e, h, \bar{e}], \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, \mu_3^2 [e, e, u, \bar{e}, \bar{e}], \begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ \bar{e} \end{array}, \mu_3 [e, e, e] \right]. \tag{3.18}$$

Comparing this with (3.16), we can exactly identify the “extended” homotopy maps ψ_i as

$$\psi_1 (g) = g, \tag{3.19}$$

$$\psi_2 (g) = \varphi (g), \tag{3.20}$$

$$\psi_3 (g) = \varphi (\varphi (g)) = \varphi^2 (g), \tag{3.21}$$

$$\psi_4 (e) = \mu_3 [e, e, e], \tag{3.22}$$

where

$$\varphi (g) = \mu_3 [e, g, \bar{e}], \tag{3.23}$$

which can be described by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{\bullet\} \times G \times \{\bullet\} & \xrightarrow{\mu_0^{(e)} \times \text{id} \times \mu_0^{(e)}} & G^{\times 3} \xrightarrow{\text{id}^{\times 2} \times \bar{\mu}_1} G^{\times 3} \\ \uparrow \epsilon & & \downarrow \mu_3 \\ G & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & G \end{array} \tag{3.24}$$

The mapping ψ_4 is the first polyadic power (2.10) of the binary identity e in the ternary system

$$\psi_4(e) = e^{(1)}. \tag{3.25}$$

Thus, combining (3.18)–(3.25) we obtain the Hosszú-Gluskin “chain formula” for $n = 3$

$$\mu_3[g, h, u] = g * \varphi(h) * \varphi^2(u) * b, \tag{3.26}$$

$$b = e^{(1)}, \tag{3.27}$$

which depends on one mapping φ (taken in the chain of powers) only, and the first polyadic power $e^{(1)}$ of the binary identity e . The corresponding Hosszú-Gluskin diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G^{\times 3} \times \{\bullet\}^3 & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \times \varphi \times \varphi^2 \times (\mu_0^{(e)})^{\times 3}} & G^{\times 6} \xrightarrow{\text{id}^{\times 3} \times \mu_3} G^{\times 4} \\ \uparrow \epsilon & & \downarrow \mu_2^{\times 3} \\ G \times G \times G & \xrightarrow{\mu_3} & G \end{array} \tag{3.28}$$

commutes.

The mapping φ is an automorphism of the binary group $\langle G \mid *, e \rangle$, because it follows from (3.15) and (3.23) that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(g) * \varphi(h) &= \mu_3[\mu_3[e, g, \bar{e}], \bar{e}, \mu_3[e, h, \bar{e}]] = \mu_3^3 \left[e, g, \bar{e}, \overset{\text{neutral}}{(\bar{e}, e)}, h, \bar{e} \right] \\ &= \mu_3^2[e, g, \bar{e}, h, \bar{e}] = \mu_3[e, g * h, \bar{e}] = \varphi(g * h), \end{aligned} \tag{3.29}$$

$$\varphi(e) = \mu_3[e, e, \bar{e}] = \mu_3 \left[e, \overset{\text{neutral}}{(e, \bar{e})} \right] = e. \tag{3.30}$$

It is important to note that not only the binary identity e , but also its first polyadic power $e^{(1)}$ is a fixed point of the automorphism φ , because

$$\varphi(e^{(1)}) = \mu_3[e, e^{(1)}, \bar{e}] = \mu_3^2 \left[e, e, e, \overset{\text{neutral}}{(e, \bar{e})} \right] = \mu_3[e, e, e] = e^{(1)}. \tag{3.31}$$

Moreover, taking into account that in the binary group (see (3.15))

$$(e^{(1)})^{-1} = \mu_3[e, \overline{e^{(1)}}, e] = \mu_3^2[e, \bar{e}, \bar{e}, e] = \bar{e}, \tag{3.32}$$

we get

$$\varphi^2(g) = \mu_3^2[e, e, g, \bar{e}, \bar{e}] = \mu_3^3 \left[e, e, \overset{\text{neutral}}{(e, \bar{e})} g, \bar{e}, \bar{e} \right] = e^{(1)} * g * (e^{(1)})^{-1}. \tag{3.33}$$

The higher polyadic powers $e^{(k)} = \mu_3^k[e^{2k+1}]$ of the binary identity e are obviously also fixed points

$$\varphi(e^{(k)}) = e^{(k)}. \tag{3.34}$$

The elements $e^{(k)}$ form a subgroup H of the binary group $\langle G \mid *, e \rangle$, because

$$e^{(k)} * e^{(l)} = e^{(k+l)}, \tag{3.35}$$

$$e^{(k)} * e = e * e^{(k)} = e^{(k)}. \tag{3.36}$$

We can express the even powers of the automorphism φ through the polyadic powers $e^{(k)}$ in the following way

$$\varphi^{2k}(g) = e^{(k)} * g * (e^{(k)})^{-1}. \tag{3.37}$$

This gives a manifest connection between the Hosszú-Gluskin “chain formula” and the sequence of cosets (see, [4]) for the particular case $n = 3$.

Example 3.1. Let us consider the ternary copula associative multiplication [54, 55]

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = \frac{g(1-h)u}{g(1-h)u + (1-g)h(1-u)}, \tag{3.38}$$

where $g_i \in G = [0, 1]$ and $0/0 = 0$ is assumed⁷⁾. It is associative and cannot be iterated from any binary group. Obviously, $\mu_3 [g^3] = g$, and therefore this polyadic system is ℓ_μ -idempotent (2.17) $g^{(\ell_\mu)} = g$. The querelement is $\bar{g} = \bar{\mu}_1 [g] = g$. Because each element is querable, then $\langle G \mid \mu_3, \bar{\mu}_1 \rangle$ is a ternary group. Take a fixed element $e \in [0, 1]$. We define the binary multiplication as $g * h = \mu_3 [g, e, h]$ and the automorphism

$$\varphi(g) = \mu_3 [e, g, e] = e^2 \frac{1-g}{e^2 - 2ge + g} \tag{3.39}$$

which has the property $\varphi^{2k} = \text{id}$ and $\varphi^{2k+1} = \varphi$, where $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Obviously, in (3.39) g can be on any place in the product $\mu_3 [e, g, e] = \mu_3 [e, e, g] = \mu_3 [e, e, g]$. Now we can check the Hosszú-Gluskin “chain formula” (3.26) for the ternary copula

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_3 [g, h, u] &= (((g * \varphi(h)) * u) * e) = \mu_3^\bullet \left[g, e, e^2 \frac{1-h}{e^2 - 2he + g}, e, (u, e, e) \right] \\ &= \mu_3^\bullet \left[g, \left(e, e^2 \frac{1-h}{e^2 - 2he + g}, e \right), u \right] = \mu_3 [g, \varphi^2(h), u] = \mu_3 [g, h, u]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.40}$$

The language of polyadic inverses allows us to generalize the Hosszú-Gluskin “chain formula” from $n = 3$ (3.26) to arbitrary n in a clear way. The derivation coincides with (3.18) using the multiplication (3.10) (with substitution $\bar{e} \rightarrow e^{-1}$), neutral polyads (e^{-1}, e) or their powers $((e^{-1})^k, e^k)$, but contains n terms

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n] &= \mu_n^\bullet \left[\begin{array}{c} * \\ \downarrow \\ g_1, e^{-1}, e, g_2, \dots, g_n \end{array} \right] = \mu_n^\bullet \left[\begin{array}{c} * \qquad * \\ \downarrow \qquad \downarrow \\ g_1, e^{-1}, e, g_2, e^{-1}, e^{-1}, e, e, g_3, \dots, g_n \end{array} \right] = \dots \\ &= \mu_n^\bullet \left[\begin{array}{c} * \qquad * \qquad * \qquad \overbrace{\qquad\qquad}^{n-1} \qquad \overbrace{\qquad\qquad}^{n-1} \qquad * \qquad \overbrace{\qquad\qquad}^n \\ \downarrow \qquad \downarrow \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \\ g_1, e^{-1}, e, g_2, e^{-1}, e^{-1}, e, e, g_3, \dots, e^{-1}, e, \dots, e, g_n, e^{-1}, \dots, e^{-1}, e^{-1}, e, \dots, e \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.41}$$

We observe from (3.41) that the mapping φ in the n -ary case is

$$\varphi(g) = \mu_n [e, g, e^{-1}], \tag{3.42}$$

⁷⁾In this example all denominators are supposed nonzero.

and the last product of the binary identities $\mu_n [e, \dots, e]$ is also the first n -ary power $e^{(1)}$ (2.10). It follows from (3.42) and (3.10), that

$$\varphi^{n-1}(g) = e^{(1)} * g * (e^{(1)})^{-1}. \tag{3.43}$$

In this way, we obtain the Hosszú-Gluskin “chain formula” for arbitrary n

$$\mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n] = g_1 * \varphi(g_2) * \varphi^2(g_3) * \dots * \varphi^{n-2}(g_{n-1}) * \varphi^{n-1}(g_n) * e^{(1)} = \left(* \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi^{i-1}(g_i) \right) * e^{(1)}. \tag{3.44}$$

Thus, we have found the “extended” homotopy maps ψ_i from (3.3) as

$$\psi_i(g) = \varphi^{i-1}(g), \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \tag{3.45}$$

$$\psi_{n+1}(g) = g^{(1)}, \tag{3.46}$$

where we put by definition $\varphi^0(g) = g$. Using (3.31) and (3.44) we can formulate the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem in the language of polyadic powers.

Theorem 3.2. *On a polyadic group $G_n = \langle G \mid \mu_n, \bar{\mu}_1 \rangle$ one can define a binary group $G_2^* = \langle G \mid \mu_2 = *, e \rangle$ and its automorphism φ such that the Hosszú-Gluskin “chain formula” (3.44) is valid, where the polyadic powers of the identity e are fixed points of φ (3.34), form a subgroup H of G_2^* , and the $(n - 1)$ power of φ is a conjugation (3.43) with respect to H .*

The following reverse Hosszú-Gluskin theorem holds.

Theorem 3.3. *If in a binary group $G_2^* = \langle G \mid \mu_2 = *, e \rangle$ one can define an automorphism φ such that*

$$\varphi^{n-1}(g) = b * g * b^{-1}, \tag{3.47}$$

$$\varphi(b) = b, \tag{3.48}$$

where $b \in G$ is a distinguished element, then the “chain formula”

$$\mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n] = \left(* \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi^{i-1}(g_i) \right) * b \tag{3.49}$$

determines a n -ary group, in which the distinguished element is the first polyadic power of the binary identity

$$b = e^{(1)}. \tag{3.50}$$

4. “Deformation” of Hosszú-Gluskin Chain Formula

Let us raise the question: can the choice (3.45)-(3.46) of the “extended” homotopy maps (3.3) be generalized? Before answering this question *positively* we consider some preliminary statements.

First, we note that we keep the general idea of inserting neutral sequences into a polyadic product (see (3.17) and (3.41)), because this is the only way to obtain “automatic” associativity. Second, the number of the inserted neutral polyads can be chosen *arbitrarily*, not only minimally, as in (3.17) and (3.41) (as they are neutral). Nevertheless, we can show that this arbitrariness is somewhat restricted.

Indeed, let us consider a polyadic group $\langle G \mid \mu_n, \bar{\mu}_1 \rangle$ in the particular case $n = 3$, where for any $e_0 \in G$ and natural k the sequence (\bar{e}_0^k, e_0^k) is neutral, then we can write

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = \mu_3^* [g, \bar{e}_0^k, e_0^k, h, \bar{e}_0^k, e_0^k, u, \bar{e}_0^{mk}, e_0^{mk}]. \tag{4.1}$$

If we make the change of variables $e_0^k = e$, then we obtain

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = \mu_3^\bullet [g, \bar{e}, e, h, \bar{e}^l, e^l, u, \bar{e}^m, e^m]. \tag{4.2}$$

Because this should reproduce the formula (3.16), we immediately conclude that $\psi_1 (g) = \text{id}$, and the multiplication is the same as in (3.15), and e is again the identity of the binary group $G^* = \langle G, *, e \rangle$. Moreover, if we put $\psi_2 (g) = \varphi (g)$, as in the standard case, then we have a first “half” of the mapping φ , that is $\varphi (g) = \mu_3 [e, h, \text{something}]$. Now we are in a position to find this “something” and other “extended” homotopy maps ψ_i from (3.16), but *without* the requirement of a minimal number of inserted neutral polyads, as it was in (3.17). By analogy, we rewrite (4.2) as

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = \mu_3^\bullet [g, \bar{e}, (e, h, \bar{e}^l), \bar{e}, e^{q+1}, u, \bar{e}^m, e^m], \tag{4.3}$$

where we put $l = q + 1$. So we have found the “something”, and the map φ is

$$\varphi_q (g) = \mu_3^{\ell_\varphi(q)} [e, g, \bar{e}^q], \tag{4.4}$$

where the number of multiplications

$$\ell_\varphi (q) = \frac{q + 1}{2} \tag{4.5}$$

is an integer $\ell_\varphi (q) = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, while $q = 1, 3, 5, 7, \dots$. The diagram defined φ_q (e.g., for $q = 3$ and $\ell_\varphi (q) = 2$)

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \{\bullet\} \times G \times \{\bullet\}^3 & \xrightarrow{\mu_0^{(e)} \times \text{id} \times (\mu_0^{(e)})^3} & G^{\times 5} & \xrightarrow{\text{id}^{\times 2} \times (\mu_1)^3} & G^{\times 5} \\ \uparrow \varepsilon & & & & \downarrow \mu_3 \times \mu_3 \\ G & \xrightarrow{\varphi_q} & & & G \end{array} \tag{4.6}$$

commutes (cf. (3.24)). Then, we can find power m in (4.3)

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = \mu_3^\bullet [g, \bar{e}, (e, h, \bar{e}^q), \bar{e}, (e, u, \bar{e}^q)^{q+1}, \bar{e}, e^{q(q+1)+1}], \tag{4.7}$$

and therefore $m = q (q + 1) + 1$. Thus, we have obtained the “ q -deformed” maps ψ_i (cf. (3.19)–(3.22))

$$\psi_1 (g) = \varphi_q^{[[0]]_q} (g) = \varphi_q^0 (g) = g, \tag{4.8}$$

$$\psi_2 (g) = \varphi_q (g) = \varphi_q^{[[1]]_q} (g), \tag{4.9}$$

$$\psi_3 (g) = \varphi_q^{q+1} (g) = \varphi_q^{[[2]]_q} (g), \tag{4.10}$$

$$\psi_4 (g) = \mu_3^\bullet [g^{q(q+1)+1}] = \mu_3^\bullet [g^{[[3]]_q}], \tag{4.11}$$

where φ is defined by (4.4) and $[[k]]_q$ is the q -deformed number (2.43), and we put $\varphi_q^0 = \text{id}$. The corresponding “ q -deformed” chain formula (for $n = 3$) can be written as (cf. (3.26)–(3.27) for “nondeformed” case)

$$\mu_3 [g, h, u] = g * \varphi_q^{[[1]]_q} (h) * \varphi_q^{[[2]]_q} (u) * b_q, \tag{4.12}$$

$$b_q = e^{\langle \ell_e(q) \rangle}, \tag{4.13}$$

where the degree of the binary identity polyadic power

$$\ell_e (q) = q \frac{[[2]]_q}{2} = \ell_\varphi (q) (2\ell_\varphi (q) + 1) \tag{4.14}$$

is an integer. The corresponding “deformed” chain diagram (e.g., for $q = 3$)

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 G^{\times 3} \times \{\bullet\}^{13} & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \times \varphi_q \times \varphi_q^4 \times (\mu_0^{(e)})^{\times 13}} & G^{\times 16} & \xrightarrow{\text{id}^{\times 3} \times \mu_3^6} & G^{\times 4} \\
 \uparrow \epsilon & & & & \downarrow \mu_2^{\times 3} \\
 G \times G \times G & \xrightarrow{\mu_3} & & & G
 \end{array} \tag{4.15}$$

commutes (cf. the Hosszú-Gluskin diagram (3.28)). In the “deformed” case the polyadic power $e^{\langle \ell_\epsilon(q) \rangle}$ is not a fixed point of φ_q and satisfies

$$\varphi_q(e^{\langle \ell_\epsilon(q) \rangle}) = \varphi_q(\mu_3^\bullet[e^{\ell^2+q+1}]) = \mu_3^\bullet[e^{\ell^2+2}] = e^{\langle \ell_\epsilon(q) \rangle} * \varphi_q(e) \tag{4.16}$$

or

$$\varphi_q(b_q) = b_q * \varphi_q(e). \tag{4.17}$$

Instead of (3.33) we have

$$\varphi_q^{q+1}(g) * e^{\langle \ell_\epsilon(q) \rangle} = \mu_3^\bullet[e^{q+1}, g] = \mu_3^\bullet[e^{q+2}] * g = e^{\langle \ell_\epsilon(q) \rangle} * \varphi_q^{q+1}(e) * g \tag{4.18}$$

or

$$\varphi_q^{q+1}(g) * b_q = b_q * \varphi_q^{q+1}(e) * g. \tag{4.19}$$

The “nondeformed” limit $q \rightarrow 1$ of (4.12) gives the Hosszú-Gluskin chain formula (3.26) for $n = 3$. Now let us turn to arbitrary n and write the n -ary multiplication using neutral polyads analogously to (4.3). By the same arguments, as in (4.2), we insert only one neutral polyad (e^{-1}, e) between the first and second elements in the multiplication, but in other places we insert powers $((e^{-1})^k, e^k)$ (allowed by the chain properties), and obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_n[g_1, \dots, g_n] &= \mu_n^\bullet[g_1, e^{-1}, e, g_2, \dots, g_n] = \mu_n^\bullet[g_1, e^{-1}, (e, g_2, (e^{-1})^q), e^{-1}, e^{q+1}, g_3, \dots, g_n] = \dots \\
 &= \mu_n^\bullet \left[g_1, e^{-1}, (e, g_2, (e^{-1})^q), e^{-1}, \left(e^{q+1}, g_3, \overbrace{e^{-1}, \dots, e^{-1}}^{q(q+1)} \right) e^{-1}, e^{q(q+1)+1}, g_3, \dots \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \dots, \left(\overbrace{e, \dots, e}^{q^{n-2}+\dots+q+1}, g_{n-1}, \overbrace{e^{-1}, \dots, e^{-1}}^{q(q^{n-2}+\dots+q+1)} \right), e^{-1}, \left(\overbrace{e, \dots, e}^{q^{n-1}+\dots+q+1}, g_n, \overbrace{e^{-1}, \dots, e^{-1}}^{q(q^{n-1}+\dots+q+1)} \right), e^{-1}, \overbrace{e, \dots, e}^{q^n+\dots+q+1} \right].
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.20}$$

So we observe that the binary product is now the same as in the “nondeformed” case (3.10), while the map φ is

$$\varphi_q(g) = \mu_n^{\ell_\varphi(q)}[e, g, (e^{-1})^q], \tag{4.21}$$

where the number of multiplications

$$\ell_\varphi(q) = \frac{q(n-2)+1}{n-1} \tag{4.22}$$

is an integer and $\ell_\varphi(q) \rightarrow q$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, in the nondeformed case $\ell_\varphi(1) = 1$, as in (3.42). Note that the “deformed” map φ_q is the a -quasi-endomorphism [56] of the binary group G_2^* , because from (4.21) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_q(g) * \varphi_q(h) &= \mu_n^\bullet [e, g, (e^{-1})^q, e^{-1}, e, h, (e^{-1})^q] \\ &= \mu_n^\bullet [e, g, e^{-1}, (e, e, (e^{-1})^q), e^{-1}, h, (e^{-1})^q] = \varphi_q(g * a * h), \end{aligned} \tag{4.23}$$

where

$$a = \mu_n^{\ell_\varphi(q)} [e, e, (e^{-1})^q] = \varphi_q(e). \tag{4.24}$$

In general, a *quasi-endomorphism* can be defined by

$$\varphi_q(g) * \varphi_q(h) = \varphi_q(g * \varphi_q(e) * h). \tag{4.25}$$

The corresponding diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} G \times G & \xrightarrow{\mu_2} & G & \xleftarrow{\varphi_q} & G \\ \varphi_q \times \varphi_q \uparrow & & & & \uparrow \mu_2 \times \mu_2 \\ G \times G & \xrightarrow{\epsilon} & G \times \{\bullet\} \times G & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \times \mu_0^{(\epsilon)} \times \text{id}} & G \times G \times G \end{array} \tag{4.26}$$

commutes. If $q = 1$, then $\varphi_q(e) = e$, and the distinguished element a turns to the binary identity $a = e$, such that the a -quasi-endomorphism φ_q becomes an automorphism of G_2^* .

Remark 4.1. The choice (4.21) of the a -quasi-endomorphism φ_q is different from [56], the latter (in our notation) is $\varphi_k(g) = \mu_n [a^{k-1}, g, a^{n-k}]$, $k = 1, \dots, n - 1$, it has only one multiplication and leads to the “nondeformed” chain formula (3.44) (for semigroup case).

It follows from (4.20), that the “extended” homotopy maps ψ_i (3.3) are (cf. (4.8)–(4.11))

$$\psi_1(g) = \varphi_q^{[[0]]_q}(g) = \varphi_q^0(g) = g, \tag{4.27}$$

$$\psi_2(g) = \varphi_q(g) = \varphi_q^{[[1]]_q}(g), \tag{4.28}$$

$$\psi_3(g) = \varphi_q^{q+1}(g) = \varphi_q^{[[2]]_q}(g), \tag{4.29}$$

⋮

$$\psi_{n-1}(g) = \varphi_q^{q^{n-3} + \dots + q + 1}(g) = \varphi_q^{[[n-2]]_q}(g), \tag{4.30}$$

$$\psi_n(g) = \varphi_q^{q^{n-2} + \dots + q + 1}(g) = \varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q}(g), \tag{4.31}$$

$$\psi_{n+1}(g) = \mu_n^\bullet [g^{q^{n-1} + \dots + q + 1}] = \mu_n^\bullet [g^{[[n]]_q}]. \tag{4.32}$$

In terms of the polyadic power (2.10), the last map is

$$\psi_{n+1}(g) = g^{\langle \ell_\epsilon \rangle}, \tag{4.33}$$

where (cf. (4.22))

$$\ell_\epsilon(q) = q \frac{[[n-1]]_q}{n-1} \tag{4.34}$$

is an integer. Thus the “ q -deformed” n -ary chain formula is (cf. (3.44))

$$\mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n] = g_1 * \varphi_q^{[[1]]_q}(g_2) * \varphi_q^{[[2]]_q}(g_3) * \dots * \varphi_q^{[[n-2]]_q}(g_{n-1}) * \varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q}(g_n) * e^{\langle \ell_\epsilon(q) \rangle}. \tag{4.35}$$

In the “nondeformed” limit $q \rightarrow 1$ (4.35) reproduces the Hosszú-Gluskin chain formula (3.44). Let us obtain the “deformed” analogs of the distinguished element relations (3.47)–(3.48) for arbitrary n (the case $n = 3$ is in (4.16)–(4.18)). Instead of the fixed point relation (3.48) we now have from (4.21), (4.34) and (4.32) the *quasi-fixed point*

$$\varphi_q(b_q) = b_q * \varphi_q(e), \tag{4.36}$$

where the “deformed” distinguished element b_q is (cf. (3.50))

$$b_q = \mu_n^\bullet [e^{[[n]]_q}] = e^{\langle \ell_c(q) \rangle}. \tag{4.37}$$

The conjugation relation (3.47) in the “deformed” case becomes the *quasi-conjugation*

$$\varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q}(g) * b_q = b_q * \varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q}(e) * g. \tag{4.38}$$

This allows us to rewrite the “deformed” chain formula (4.35) as

$$\mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n] = g_1 * \varphi_q^{[[1]]_q}(g_2) * \varphi_q^{[[2]]_q}(g_3) * \dots * \varphi_q^{[[n-2]]_q}(g_{n-1}) * b_q * \varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q}(e) * g_n. \tag{4.39}$$

Using the above proof sketch, we formulate the following “ q -deformed” analog of the Hosszú-Gluskin theorem:

Theorem 4.2. *On a polyadic group $G_n = \langle G \mid \mu_n, \bar{\mu}_1 \rangle$ one can define a binary group $G_2^* = \langle G \mid \mu_2 = *, e \rangle$ and (the infinite “ q -series” of) its automorphism φ_q such that the “deformed” chain formula (4.35) is valid*

$$\mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n] = \left(* \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi^{[[i-1]]_q}(g_i) \right) * b_q, \tag{4.40}$$

where (the infinite “ q -series” of) the “deformed” distinguished element b_q (being a polyadic power of the binary identity (4.37)) is the quasi-fixed point of φ_q (4.36) and satisfies the quasi-conjugation (4.38) in the form

$$\varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q}(g) = b_q * \varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q}(e) * g * b_q^{-1}. \tag{4.41}$$

In the “nondeformed” case $q = 1$ we obtain the Hosszú-Gluskin chain formula (3.44) and the corresponding **Theorem 3.2**.

Example 4.3. *Let us have a binary group $\langle G \mid (\cdot), 1 \rangle$ and a distinguished element $e \in G, e \neq 1$, then we can define a binary group $G_2^* = \langle G \mid (*), e \rangle$ by the product*

$$g * h = g \cdot e^{-1} \cdot h. \tag{4.42}$$

The quasi-endomorphism

$$\varphi_q(g) = e \cdot g \cdot e^{-q} \tag{4.43}$$

satisfies (4.25) with $\varphi_q(e) = e^{2-q}$, and we take

$$b_q = e^{[[n]]_q}. \tag{4.44}$$

Then we can obtain the “ q -deformed” chain formula (4.40) (for $q = 1$ see, e.g., [52]).

We observe that the chain formula is the “ q -series” of equivalence relations (4.40), which can be formulated as an invariance. Indeed, let us denote the r.h.s. of (4.40) by $\mathcal{M}_q(g_1, \dots, g_n)$, and the l.h.s. as $\mathcal{M}_0(g_1, \dots, g_n)$, then the chain formula can be written as some invariance (cf. associativity as an invariance (2.18)).

Theorem 4.4. On a polyadic group $G_n = \langle G \mid \mu_n, \bar{\mu}_1 \rangle$ we can define a binary group $G^* = \langle G \mid \mu_2 = *, e \rangle$ such that the following invariance is valid

$$\mathcal{M}_q(g_1, \dots, g_n) = \text{invariant}, \quad q = 0, 1, \dots, \tag{4.45}$$

where

$$\mathcal{M}_q(g_1, \dots, g_n) = \begin{cases} \mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n], & q = 0, \\ \left(\left(\prod_{i=1}^n \varphi^{[i-1]_q}(g_i) \right) * b_q \right), & q > 0, \end{cases} \tag{4.46}$$

and the distinguished element $b_q \in G$ and the quasi-endomorphism φ_q of G_2^* are defined in (4.37) and (4.21) respectively.

Example 4.5. Let us consider the ternary q -product used in the nonextensive statistics [26]

$$\mu_3 [g, t, u] = (g^{\hbar} + t^{\hbar} + u^{\hbar} - 3)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}, \tag{4.47}$$

where $\hbar = 1 - q_0$, and $g, t, u \in G = \mathbb{R}_+$, $0 < q_0 < 1$, and also $g^{\hbar} + t^{\hbar} + u^{\hbar} - 3 > 0$ (as for other terms inside brackets with power $\frac{1}{\hbar}$ below). In case $\hbar \rightarrow 0$ the q -product becomes an iterated product in \mathbb{R}_+ as $\mu_3 [g, t, u] \rightarrow gtu$. The quermap $\bar{\mu}_1$ is given by

$$\bar{g} = (3 - g^{\hbar})^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}. \tag{4.48}$$

The polyadic system $G_n = \langle G \mid \mu_3, \bar{\mu}_1 \rangle$ is a ternary group, because each element is querable. Take a distinguished element $e \in G$ and use (3.15), (4.47) and (4.48) to define the product

$$g * t = (g^{\hbar} - e^{\hbar} + t^{\hbar})^{\frac{1}{\hbar}} \tag{4.49}$$

of the binary group $G_2^* = \langle G \mid \mu_2 = (*), e \rangle$.

1) The Hosszú-Gluskin chain formula ($q = 1$). The automorphism (3.23) of G^* is now the identity map $\varphi = \text{id}$. The first polyadic power of the distinguished element e is

$$b = e^{(1)} = \mu_3 [e^3] = (3e^{\hbar} - 3)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}. \tag{4.50}$$

The chain formula (3.26) can be checked as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_3 [g, t, u] &= (((g * t) * u) * b) = (((g^{\hbar} - e^{\hbar} + t^{\hbar}) - e^{\hbar} + u^{\hbar}) - e^{\hbar} + b^{\hbar})^{\frac{1}{\hbar}} \\ &= (g^{\hbar} - e^{\hbar} + t^{\hbar} - e^{\hbar} + u^{\hbar} - e^{\hbar} + 3e^{\hbar} - 3)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}} = (g^{\hbar} + t^{\hbar} + u^{\hbar} - 3)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.51}$$

2) The “ q -deformed” chain formula (for conciseness we consider only the case $q = 3$). Now the quasi-endomorphism φ_q (4.4) is not the identity, but is

$$\varphi_{q=3}(g) = (g^{\hbar} - 2e^{\hbar} + 3)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}. \tag{4.52}$$

In case $q = 3$ we need its 4th ($= q + 1$) power (4.12)

$$\varphi_{q=3}^4(g) = (g^{\hbar} - 8e^{\hbar} + 12)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}. \tag{4.53}$$

The deformed polyadic power $e^{(\ell_e)}$ from (4.12) is (see, also, (4.11))

$$b_{q=3} = e^{(5)} = \mu_3^5 [e^{13}] = (13e^{\hbar} - 18)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}. \quad (4.54)$$

Now we check the “ q -deformed” chain formula (4.12) as

$$\mu_3 [g, t, u] = g * \varphi_{q=3} (t) * \varphi_{q=3}^4 (u) * b_{q=3} = \left((g * \varphi_{q=3} (t)) * \varphi_{q=3}^4 (u) \right) * b_{q=3} \quad (4.55)$$

$$= (g^{\hbar} - e^{\hbar} + (t^{\hbar} - 2e^{\hbar} + 3) - e^{\hbar} + (u^{\hbar} - 8e^{\hbar} + 12) - e^{\hbar} + (13e^{\hbar} - 18))^{\frac{1}{\hbar}} \quad (4.56)$$

$$= (g^{\hbar} + t^{\hbar} + u^{\hbar} - 3)^{\frac{1}{\hbar}}. \quad (4.57)$$

In a similar way, one can check the “ q -deformed” chain formula for any allowed q (determined by (4.22) and (4.34) to obtain an infinite q -series of the chain representation of the same n -ary multiplication.

5. Generalized “Deformed” Version of the Homomorphism Theorem

Let us consider a homomorphism of the binary groups entering into the “deformed” chain formula (4.40) as $\Phi^* : G_2^* \rightarrow G_2^{*'}$, where $G_2^{*'} = \langle G' \mid *, e' \rangle$. We observe that, because Φ^* commutes with the binary multiplication, we need its commutation also with the automorphisms φ_q in each term of (4.40) (which fixes equality of the “deformation” parameters $q = q'$) and its homomorphic action on b_q . Indeed, if

$$\Phi^* (\varphi_q (g)) = \varphi_{q'} (\Phi^* (g)), \quad (5.1)$$

$$\Phi^* (b_q) = b_{q'}, \quad (5.2)$$

then we get from (4.40)

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^* (\mu_n [g_1, \dots, g_n]) &= \Phi^* (g_1) *' \Phi^* (\varphi_q^{[[1]]_q} (g_2)) *' \dots *' \Phi^* (\varphi_q^{[[n-1]]_q} (g_n)) *' \Phi^* (b_q) \\ &= \Phi^* (g_1) *' \varphi_{q'}^{[[1]]_q} (\Phi^* (g_2)) *' \dots *' \varphi_{q'}^{[[n-1]]_q} (\Phi^* (g_n)) *' b_{q'} \\ &= \mu_n' [\Phi^* (g_1), \dots, \Phi^* (g_n)], \end{aligned} \quad (5.3)$$

where $g' *' h' = \mu_n' [g', e'^{-1}, h']$, $\varphi_{q'} (g') = \mu_n'^{\ell_{\varphi}(q)} [e', g', (e'^{-1})^q]$, $b_{q'} = \mu_n'^* [e'^{[[n]]_q}]$. Comparison of (5.3) and (2.49) leads to

Theorem 5.1. *A homomorphism Φ^* of the binary group G_2^* gives rise to a homomorphism Φ of the corresponding n -ary group G_n , if Φ^* satisfies the “deformed” compatibility conditions (5.1)–(5.2).*

The “nondeformed” version ($q = 1$) of this theorem and the case of Φ^* being an isomorphism was considered in [23].

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