

On some properties of A -nuclei and σ - A -nuclei of a quasigroup

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In this paper, we investigate the properties of A -nuclei and σ - A -nuclei of a quasigroup including connections between components of σ - A -nuclei and local identity elements. To make the study easier, we give the explicit structure of σ - A -nuclei of a loop, a unipotent left loop and a unipotent right loop in terms of translation maps. We also find the left, right and middle A -nuclei of a quasigroup which is an isostrophic image of a loop in terms of translation maps.

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1. Introduction

The concept of quasigroup nuclei was introduced by Garrison [5] in 1940. A left/ right/ middle nucleus of a quasigroup measures how far a quasigroup is from a group by measuring near-associativity of the quasigroup. Shcherbacov [11, 12] has discussed a detailed historical background of A -nuclei of a quasigroup. Pflugfelder

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[8, 11] showed that if a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ has a nontrivial left/ right/ middle nucleus then the quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ has a left identity/ a right identity/ an identity element, respectively. Belousov [1] generalized the concept of Garrison's quasigroup nuclei on proper quasigroup by introducing the notion of left, right and middle regular permutations which can be used to measure the near-associativity of quasigroups that neither have left nor right unit element. The connections between quasigroup nuclei and the groups of regular permutations of quasigroups have been studied in [1–3, 7, 12]. Later left, right and middle A-nuclei (autotopy nuclei) of a quasigroup is defined as groups of left, right and middle regular permutations, respectively, and studied by many mathematicians [1, 6, 7, 11, 12]. The concept of A-nuclei can be considered as generalization of nuclei of a quasigroup in the sense that when the quasigroup is a loop, the (nontrivial) components of left/right A-nucleus of the loop coincide with left/ right translations by elements of the left/right nuclei, respectively. For a more detailed survey on A-nuclei of a quasigroup the reader may refer [11, 12].

The left, right and middle σ -A-nuclei of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ have been defined in [12] as an autotrophy of the quasigroup of the form $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \gamma))$ for the values $\beta = \varepsilon$, $\alpha = \varepsilon$ and $\gamma = \varepsilon$, respectively, where α, β, γ are permutations of the set Q , ε is the identity permutation and $\sigma \in S_3$. It may be noted that this definition is not a generalization of that of A-nuclei. So in this paper, we redefine left, right and middle σ -A-nuclei of a quasigroup as a generalization of left, right and middle A-nuclei and study their properties. Also to make the study easier, we explicitly derive structure of σ -A-nuclei of a loop, a unipotent left loop and a unipotent right loop in terms of translation maps. This will reduce the time required in computation of σ -A-nuclei of the mentioned quasigroups. Further, we find A-nuclei of a quasigroup which is an isotrophic image of a loop in terms of translation maps.

The paper has the following structure: Section 2 presents some basic definitions, notations and results required for Sec. 3. In Sec. 3, we give definition of σ -A-nuclei of a quasigroup and connections between components of σ -A-nuclei and local identity elements of a quasigroup. Further, we give an explicit structure of A-nuclei of an isotrophic image of a loop in terms of translation maps. Section 4 concludes this paper.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we give some definitions, notations and results which are required for the results in the subsequent section [3, 4, 8–12].

Definition 2.1. Let $(Q, *)$ be a binary groupoid. $(Q, *)$ is called a *quasigroup* if there exist unique solutions $x, y \in Q$ of the equations $x * a = b$ and $a * y = b$ for all ordered pair $(a, b) \in Q^2$.

For any given quasigroup $(Q, *)$, the operations $/, \backslash, \cdot, //$ and $\backslash\backslash$ on the set Q are as follows:

$$x/y = z \Leftrightarrow z * y = x \text{ (right division),}$$

$x \backslash y = z \Leftrightarrow x * z = y$ (left division),
 $x \cdot y = z \Leftrightarrow y * x = z$ (opposite multiplication),
 $x // y = z \Leftrightarrow y / x = z \Leftrightarrow z * x = y$ (opposite right division)
 and $x \backslash y = z \Leftrightarrow y \backslash x = z \Leftrightarrow y * z = x$ (opposite left division).

The set $\text{Par}(*) = \{*, /, \backslash, \cdot, //, \backslash\backslash\}$ is known as the set of *parastrophes* of quasigroup operation $*$.

Note that the parastrophes $/, \backslash, \cdot, //$ and $\backslash\backslash$ are sometimes denoted as $*^{(13)}$, $*^{(23)}$, $*^{(12)}$, $*^{(123)}$ and $*^{(132)}$, respectively.

Let $(G, \cdot)$ be a groupoid and let a be a fixed element in G . The *left and the right translations* denoted by L_a and R_a are, respectively, defined as $L_a x = a \cdot x$ and $R_a x = x \cdot a$ for all $x \in G$.

If $(G, \cdot)$ is a quasigroup then there exist one more translation known as *middle translation* denoted by P_a and is defined as $x \cdot P_a x = a$ for all $x \in G$.

Definition 2.2. An element $f(x)$ ($e(x), s(x)$) of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ is called a *left (right, middle) local identity element* of an element $x \in Q$, if $f(x) \cdot x = x$ ($x \cdot e(x) = x, x \cdot x = s(x)$).

An element $f \in Q$ ($e \in Q, s \in Q$) is called a *left (right, middle) identity element* of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ if $f(x) = f \ \forall x \in Q$ ($e(x) = e \ \forall x \in Q, s(x) = s \ \forall x \in Q$). A quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ with a left, right and middle identity elements $f \in Q, e \in Q$ and $s \in Q$ are called a *left loop, a right loop and a unipotent loop*, respectively. A quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ with an identity element $e \in Q$ (left and right identity elements coincide) is called a *loop*.

A quasigroup need not have a left/right/middle identity element, but from the definition of quasigroup we can definitely say that every element of a quasigroup has (a unique) left, right and middle local identity elements.

Table 1 shows connections between local identity elements in all the 6 parastrophes of a quasigroup [12].

Definition 2.3. Let $(G, \circ)$ and $(G, \cdot)$ be two binary groupoids. Then $(G, \circ)$ is an *isotopic image* of $(G, \cdot)$ (or $(G, \circ)$ is an *isotope* of $(G, \cdot)$), if there exist permutations $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ of the set G such that

$$x \circ y = \alpha_3^{-1}(\alpha_1 x \cdot \alpha_2 y) \quad (2.1)$$

for all $x, y \in G$.

Table 1. Connections between local identity elements of parastrophic quasigroups.

	ε	(12)	(13)	(23)	(132)	(123)
f	f	e	s	f	e	s
e	e	f	e	s	s	f
s	s	s	f	e	f	e

The above equality can be written as $(G, \circ) = (G, \cdot)T$, where the ordered 3 tuple $T = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$ is known as isotopy of binary groupoid $(G, \cdot)$.

If in Eq. (2.1) the two binary operations are equal, i.e. $(\circ) = (\cdot)$, then the 3 tuple $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$ is called an *autotopy* of binary groupoid $(G, \cdot)$. The set of all autotopies of a groupoid $(G, \cdot)$ is denoted by $\text{Avt}(G, \cdot)$ and forms a group with respect to usual component-wise multiplications of autotopies. The last component of an autotopy of a groupoid (here α_3) is called a *quasiautomorphism*.

If σ is a parastrophe of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ and $T = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$ is an isotopy, then we shall denote the action of parastrophe σ on the isotropic triplet T by $T^\sigma = (\alpha_{\sigma^{-1}1}, \alpha_{\sigma^{-1}2}, \alpha_{\sigma^{-1}3})$.

Definition 2.4. Let (Q, A) and (Q, B) be two quasigroups. Then (Q, B) is an *isostrophic image* of (Q, A) , if there exists a collection of permutations $(\sigma, (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)) = (\sigma, T)$, where $\sigma \in S_3$, $T = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$ and $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ are permutations of the set Q such that

$$B(x_1, x_2) = A(x_1, x_2)(\sigma, T) = \alpha_3^{-1}A(\alpha_1x_{\sigma^{-1}1}, \alpha_2x_{\sigma^{-1}2}) \quad (2.2)$$

for all $x_1, x_2 \in Q$.

In other words, an isostrophic image of a quasigroup is defined as an isotopic image of its parastrophe.

Let $(\sigma, T) = (\sigma, (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3))$ and $(\tau, S) = (\tau, (\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3))$ be two isostrophisms. Then their multiplication is defined as follows (successive multiplication of maps):

$$(\sigma, T)(\tau, S) = (\sigma\tau, T^\tau S). \quad (2.3)$$

The equality $B = A(\alpha\tau, T^\tau S)$ can be written in more details as follows (right record of maps):

$$B(x_1, x_2, x_3) = A(x_{1(\tau^{-1}\sigma^{-1})}\alpha_{1\tau^{-1}}\beta_1, x_{2(\tau^{-1}\sigma^{-1})}\alpha_{2\tau^{-1}}\beta_2, x_{3(\tau^{-1}\sigma^{-1})}\alpha_{3\tau^{-1}}\beta_3).$$

If we use the left record of maps, then

$$B(x_1, x_2, x_3) = A(\beta_1\alpha_{\tau^{-1}1}x_{\sigma^{-1}(\tau^{-1}1)}, \beta_2\alpha_{\tau^{-1}2}x_{\sigma^{-1}(\tau^{-1}2)}, \beta_3\alpha_{\tau^{-1}3}x_{\sigma^{-1}(\tau^{-1}3)}).$$

Also the inverse of the isostrophy (σ, T) is defined as

$$(\sigma, T)^{-1} = (\sigma^{-1}, (T^{-1})^{\sigma^{-1}}) = (\sigma^{-1}, (\alpha_{\sigma^{-1}1}^{-1}, \alpha_{\sigma^{-1}2}^{-1}, \alpha_{\sigma^{-1}3}^{-1})).$$

If in Definition 2.4, $(Q, B) = (Q, A)$ then (σ, T) is called an *autostrophy* of the quasigroup (Q, A) . The set of all autostrophies of the quasigroup (Q, A) form a group under the operation defined in Eq. (2.3). We shall denote this set by $\text{Aus}(Q, A)$.

Theorem 2.1 ([3]). If quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ is an isostrophic image of quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ with an isostrophy T , i.e. $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot)T$, then $\text{Aus}(Q, \circ) = T^{-1}\text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)T$.

Garrison [5] gave the concept of quasigroup nucleus which can be defined as follows.

Definition 2.5. The left, right and middle nuclei of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ are, respectively, defined as follows:

$$N_l = \{a \in Q \mid a \cdot (x \cdot y) = (a \cdot x) \cdot y, \forall x, y \in Q\},$$

$$N_r = \{a \in Q \mid (x \cdot y) \cdot a = x \cdot (y \cdot a), \forall x, y \in Q\}$$

and

$$N_m = \{a \in Q \mid (x \cdot a) \cdot y = x \cdot (a \cdot y), \forall x, y \in Q\}.$$

The nucleus of the quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ is the intersection of the above defined three, i.e. $N = N_l \cap N_r \cap N_m$.

The goodness of Garrison's quasigroup nuclei is that if the set N_l (N_r , N_m) is non-empty then it forms a subgroup of the quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$. But there is a weakness that if a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ has a non-empty left or right or middle nucleus then the quasigroup is a left loop or a right loop or a loop, respectively [5, 8].

Definition 2.6 ([11]). The set of all autotopisms of the form $(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)$ of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ is called the left A-nucleus (left autotopy nucleus) of quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$, where ε is the identity mapping.

Similarly, the set of autotopisms of the forms $(\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)$ and $(\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)$ form the right and middle A-nucleus of the quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$, respectively. Here α, β, γ are permutations of the set Q . We shall, respectively, denote these three sets of autotopisms by N_l^A , N_r^A and N_m^A and their sets of all i th components by ${}_iN_l^A$, ${}_iN_r^A$ and ${}_iN_m^A$, respectively.

Table 2 shows connections between components of the A-nuclei of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ and its isotrophic images of the form $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot)(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \gamma))$, where $\sigma \in S_3$, $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in S_Q$ [11].

Theorem 2.2 ([12]). If $(Q, \cdot)$ is a loop with identity element 1 then:

- (1) $(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma) \in \text{Avt}(Q, \cdot) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ and $\alpha 1 \in N_l$,

Table 2. Connections between components of A-nuclei by isotrophy.

	(ε, T)	$((12), T)$	$((13), T)$	$((23), T)$	$((132), T)$	$((123), T)$
${}_1N_l^\circ$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_1N_l\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_2N_r\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_3N_l\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_1N_m\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_2N_m\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_3N_r\alpha$
${}_3N_l^\circ$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_3N_l\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_3N_r\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_1N_l\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_2N_m\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_1N_m\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_2N_r\gamma$
${}_2N_r^\circ$	$\beta^{-1} {}_2N_r\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_1N_l\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_2N_m\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_3N_r\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_3N_l\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_1N_m\beta$
${}_3N_r^\circ$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_3N_r\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_3N_l\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_1N_m\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_2N_r\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_1N_l\gamma$	$\gamma^{-1} {}_2N_m\gamma$
${}_1N_m^\circ$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_1N_m\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_2N_m\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_3N_r\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_1N_l\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_2N_r\alpha$	$\alpha^{-1} {}_3N_l\alpha$
${}_2N_m^\circ$	$\beta^{-1} {}_2N_m\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_1N_m\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_2N_r\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_3N_l\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_3N_r\beta$	$\beta^{-1} {}_1N_l\beta$

- (2) $(\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma) \in \text{Avt}(Q, \cdot) \Leftrightarrow \beta = \gamma = R_{\beta 1} \text{ and } \beta 1 \in N_r,$
 (3) $(\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon) \in \text{Avt}(Q, \cdot) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = R_{\beta 1}, \beta = L_{\beta 1}^{-1} \text{ and } \beta 1 \in N_m.$

3. σ -A-Nuclei and A-Nuclei of a quasigroup

The left, right and middle A-nuclei of a quasigroup can be generalized to left, right and middle σ -A-nuclei, for $\sigma \in S_3$. A definition of σ -A-nuclei is given in [12]. We shall redefine left, right and middle σ -A-nuclei of a quasigroup as follows.

Definition 3.1. The set of all autostrophies of a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ of the form $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma))$, $(\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma))$ and $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon))$ are, respectively, called the left, right and middle σ -A-nuclei of the quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$, where α, β, γ are permutations of the set Q and $\sigma \in S_3$.

For $\sigma = \varepsilon$ in the above definition we get left (right, middle) ε -A-nucleus of the quasigroup which can be considered as left (right, middle) A-nucleus of the quasigroup.

We shall denote the left, right and middle σ -A-nuclei by ${}^\sigma N_l^A$, ${}^\sigma N_r^A$ and ${}^\sigma N_m^A$, respectively.

Example 3.1. Let $Q = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and a quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ be as shown below:

$\cdot$	1	2	3
1	2	3	1
2	1	2	3
3	3	1	2

The left, right and middle (12)-A-nuclei of the quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ are, respectively, as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{(12)}N_l^A &= \{((12), (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, (13))), ((12), ((123), \varepsilon, (12))), ((12), ((132), \varepsilon, (23)))\}, \\ {}^{(12)}N_r^A &= \{((12), (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, (13))), ((12), (\varepsilon, (132), (12))), ((12), (\varepsilon, (123), (23)))\}, \\ {}^{(12)}N_m^A &= \{((12), ((12), (12), \varepsilon)), ((12), ((13), (13), \varepsilon)), ((12), ((23), (23), \varepsilon))\}. \end{aligned}$$

In the following three theorems, we give the explicit description of left, right and middle σ -A-nuclei of a quasigroup.

Theorem 3.1. In any quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} N_l^A &= {}^\varepsilon N_l^A = \{(\varepsilon, (\alpha, \varepsilon, R_a \alpha R_a^{-1})) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{(\varepsilon, (R_a^{-1} \gamma R_a, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(12)}N_l^A &= \{((12), (\alpha, \varepsilon, R_a \alpha L_a^{-1})) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((12), (R_a^{-1} \gamma L_a, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(13)}N_l^A &= \{((13), (\alpha, \varepsilon, R_a \alpha R_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((13), (R_a^{-1} \gamma R_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{(23)}N_l^A &= \{((23), (\alpha, \varepsilon, L_{\alpha a}L_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((23), (P_{\gamma a}^{-1}R_a, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(123)}N_l^A &= \{((123), (\alpha, \varepsilon, L_{\alpha a}R_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((123), (P_{\gamma a}^{-1}L_a, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(132)}N_l^A &= \{((132), (\alpha, \varepsilon, R_a\alpha L_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((132), (R_a^{-1}\gamma L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. If $(\sigma, (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3))$ is an autostrophism of a quasigroup (Q, A) , then from definition of autostrophy we have

$$A(x_1, x_2, x_3) = A(\alpha_1 x_{\sigma^{-1}1}, \alpha_2 x_{\sigma^{-1}2}, \alpha_3 x_{\sigma^{-1}3}) \quad (3.1)$$

for all $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in Q$.

Case 1. If $\sigma = \varepsilon$. From Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = \varepsilon$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $(\varepsilon, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in {}^\varepsilon N_l^A \Leftrightarrow \alpha x \cdot y = \gamma(x \cdot y) \Leftrightarrow R_y \alpha x = \gamma R_y x \Leftrightarrow \gamma = R_y \alpha R_y^{-1}$ or $\alpha = R_y^{-1} \gamma R_y \forall y \in Q$.

Case 2. If $\sigma = (12)$. From Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (12)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $(12)(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma) \in {}^{(12)}N_l^A \Leftrightarrow \alpha y \cdot x = \gamma(x \cdot y) \Leftrightarrow R_x \alpha y = \gamma(L_x y) \Leftrightarrow \gamma = R_x \alpha L_x^{-1}$ or $\alpha = R_x^{-1} \gamma L_x \forall x \in Q$.

Case 3. If $\sigma = (13)$. From Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (13)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $(13)(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma) \in {}^{(13)}N_l^A \Leftrightarrow \alpha(x \cdot y) \cdot y = \gamma x \Leftrightarrow \gamma = R_y \alpha R_y$ or $\alpha = R_y^{-1} \gamma R_y^{-1} \forall y \in Q$.

Case 4. If $\sigma = (23)$. From Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (23)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $(23)(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma) \in {}^{(23)}N_l^A \Leftrightarrow \alpha(x \cdot y) \cdot y = \gamma x \Leftrightarrow \alpha x \cdot (x \cdot y) = \gamma y \Leftrightarrow \gamma = L_{\alpha x} L_x$ or $\alpha x = \gamma y / R_y x \Leftrightarrow \alpha = P_{\gamma y}^{-1} R_y \forall y \in Q$.

Case 5. If $\sigma = (123)$. From Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (123)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $(123)(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma) \in {}^{(123)}N_l^A \Leftrightarrow \alpha y \cdot (x \cdot y) = \gamma x$ or $\alpha y = \gamma x / L_x y \Leftrightarrow \gamma = L_{\alpha y} R_y$ or $\alpha = P_{\gamma x}^{-1} L_x \forall x \in Q$.

Case 6. If $\sigma = (132)$. From Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (132)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $(132)(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma) \in {}^{(132)}N_l^A \Leftrightarrow \alpha(x \cdot y) \cdot x = \gamma y \Leftrightarrow R_x \alpha L_x y = \gamma y \Leftrightarrow \gamma = R_x \alpha L_x$ or $\alpha = R_x^{-1} \gamma L_x^{-1} \forall x \in Q$. $\square$

Theorem 3.2. In any quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} N_r^A &= {}^\varepsilon N_r^A = \{(\varepsilon, (\varepsilon, \beta, L_a \beta L_a^{-1})) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{(\varepsilon, (\varepsilon, L_a^{-1} \gamma L_a, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(12)}N_r^A &= \{((12), (\varepsilon, \beta, L_a \beta R_a^{-1})) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((12), (\varepsilon, L_a^{-1} \gamma R_a, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(13)}N_r^A &= \{((13), (\varepsilon, \beta, R_{\beta a} R_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((13), (\varepsilon, P_{\gamma a} R_a, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(23)}N_r^A &= \{((23), (\varepsilon, \beta, L_a \beta L_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((23), (\varepsilon, P_{\gamma a} R_a^{-1}, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(123)}N_r^A &= \{((123), (\varepsilon, \beta, L_a \beta R_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((123), (\varepsilon, P_{\gamma a} L_a^{-1}, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\ {}^{(132)}N_r^A &= \{((132), (\varepsilon, \beta, L_{\beta a} L_a)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((132), (\varepsilon, P_{\gamma a} R_a, \gamma)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. This can be proved on similar lines as in Theorem 3.1 with $\alpha_1 = \varepsilon, \alpha_2 = \beta$ and $\alpha_3 = \gamma$. $\square$

Theorem 3.3. *In any quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_m^A &= {}^\varepsilon N_m^A = \{(\varepsilon, (\alpha, P_a \alpha P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{(\varepsilon, (P_a^{-1} \beta P_a, \beta, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\
 {}^{(12)}N_m^A &= \{((12), (\alpha, P_a^{-1} \alpha P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((12), (P_a \beta P_a, \beta, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\
 {}^{(13)}N_m^A &= \{((13), (\alpha, P_a \alpha L_a, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((13), (R_{\beta a}^{-1} P_a^{-1}, \beta, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\
 {}^{(23)}N_m^A &= \{((23), (\alpha, L_{\alpha a}^{-1} L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((23), (P_a \beta R_a, \beta, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\
 {}^{(123)}N_m^A &= \{((123), (\alpha, L_{\alpha a}^{-1} R_a^{-1}, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((123), (P_a^{-1} \beta L_a, \beta, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}, \\
 {}^{(132)}N_m^A &= \{((132), (\alpha, P_a \alpha R_a, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\} = \{((132), (R_{\beta a}^{-1} L_a^{-1}, \beta, \varepsilon)) \mid \forall a \in Q\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. This can be proved on similar lines as in Theorem 3.1 with $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \beta$ and $\alpha_3 = \varepsilon$. $\square$

In the following theorem, we derive connections between components of σ -A-nuclei and local identity elements of a quasigroup.

Lemma 3.1. *Let $(Q, \cdot)$ be a quasigroup.*

- (1) (a) *If $(\varepsilon, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot e(x) = \gamma x$, $\alpha f(x) \cdot x = \gamma x$ and $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma s(x)$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (b) *If $((12), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha e(x) \cdot x = \gamma x$, $\alpha x \cdot f(x) = \gamma x$ and $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma s(x)$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (c) *If $((13), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot e(x) = \gamma x$, $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma f(x)$ and $\alpha s(x) \cdot x = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (d) *If $((23), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma e(x)$, $\alpha f(x) \cdot x = \gamma x$ and $\alpha x \cdot s(x) = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (e) *If $((123), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma e(x)$, $\alpha x \cdot f(x) = \gamma x$ and $\alpha s(x) \cdot x = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (f) *If $((132), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha e(x) \cdot x = \gamma x$, $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma f(x)$ and $\alpha x \cdot s(x) = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (2) (a) *If $((\varepsilon), (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $x \cdot \beta e(x) = \gamma x$, $f(x) \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$ and $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma s(x)$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (b) *If $((12), (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $e(x) \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$, $x \cdot \beta f(x) = \gamma x$ and $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma s(x)$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (c) *If $((13), (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $x \cdot \beta e(x) = \gamma x$, $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma f(x)$ and $s(x) \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (d) *If $((23), (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma e(x)$, $f(x) \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$ and $x \cdot \beta s(x) = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (e) *If $((123), (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma e(x)$, $x \cdot \beta f(x) = \gamma x$ and $s(x) \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*
- (f) *If $((132), (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $e(x) \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$, $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma f(x)$ and $x \cdot \beta s(x) = \gamma x$ for all $x \in Q$.*

- (3) (a) If $(\varepsilon, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot \beta e(x) = x$, $\alpha f(x) \cdot \beta x = x$ and $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = s(x)$ for all $x \in Q$.
 (b) If $((12), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha e(x) \cdot \beta x = x$, $\alpha x \cdot \beta f(x) = x$ and $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = s(x)$ for all $x \in Q$.
 (c) If $((13), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot \beta e(x) = x$, $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = f(x)$ and $\alpha s(x) \cdot \beta x = x$ for all $x \in Q$.
 (d) If $((23), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = e(x)$, $\alpha f(x) \cdot \beta x = x$ and $\alpha x \cdot \beta s(x) = x$ for all $x \in Q$.
 (e) If $((123), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = e(x)$, $\alpha x \cdot \beta f(x) = x$ and $\alpha s(x) \cdot \beta x = x$ for all $x \in Q$.
 (f) If $((132), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then $\alpha e(x) \cdot \beta x = x$, $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = f(x)$ and $\alpha x \cdot \beta s(x) = x$ for all $x \in Q$.

Proof. Case 1. If $(\varepsilon, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then from Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = \varepsilon$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we have $\alpha x \cdot y = \gamma(x \cdot y)$. Putting $y = e(x)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot e(x) = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $x = f(y)$ we get $\alpha f(x) \cdot x = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $y = x$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma s(x) \forall x \in Q$.

If $((12), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then from Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (12)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we have $\alpha y \cdot x = \gamma(x \cdot y)$. Putting $y = e(x)$ we get $\alpha e(x) \cdot x = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $x = f(y)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot f(x) = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $y = x$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma s(x) \forall x \in Q$.

If $((13), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then from Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (13)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $\alpha(x \cdot y) \cdot y = \gamma x$. Putting $y = e(x)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot e(x) = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $x = f(y)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma f(x) \forall x \in Q$. Putting $y = x$ we get $\alpha s(x) \cdot x = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$.

If $((23), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then from Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (23)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $\alpha x \cdot (x \cdot y) = \gamma y$. Putting $y = e(x)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma e(x) \forall x \in Q$. Putting $x = f(y)$ we get $\alpha f(x) \cdot x = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $y = x$ we get $\alpha x \cdot s(x) = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$.

If $((123), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then from Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (123)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $\alpha(x \cdot y) \cdot x = \gamma y$. Putting $y = e(x)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma e(x) \forall x \in Q$. Putting $x = f(y)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot f(x) = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $y = x$ we get $\alpha s(x) \cdot x = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$.

If $((132), (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then from Eq. (3.1), for $\sigma = (132)$ and $\alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \varepsilon, \alpha_3 = \gamma$ we get $\alpha y \cdot (x \cdot y) = \gamma x$. Putting $y = e(x)$ we get $\alpha e(x) \cdot x = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$. Putting $x = f(y)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma f(x) \forall x \in Q$. Putting $y = x$ we get $\alpha x \cdot s(x) = \gamma x \forall x \in Q$.

Other cases can be proved similarly. $\square$

Corollary 3.1. (1) If $(Q, \cdot)$ is an idempotent quasigroup and $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$, then $\alpha x = P_{\gamma x}^{-1} x \forall x \in Q$ and $\sigma \in S_3$.

(2) If $(Q, \cdot)$ is an idempotent quasigroup and $(\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$, then $\beta x = P_{\gamma x} x \forall x \in Q$ and $\sigma \in S_3$.

- (3) If $(Q, \cdot)$ is an idempotent quasigroup and $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$, then $\beta x = P_x \alpha x \forall x \in Q$ and $\sigma \in S_3$.

Proof. In an idempotent quasigroup, the maps e, f and s are equal to identity permutation of the set Q . From case (1) of Lemma 3.1 we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma x$ which implies $\alpha x = \gamma x/x$. Hence, $\alpha x = P_{\gamma x}^{-1} x \forall x \in Q$ and $\sigma \in S_3$. From case (2) of Lemma 3.1 we get $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$ which implies $\beta x = x \backslash \gamma x$. Hence, $\beta x = P_{\gamma x} x \forall x \in Q$ and $\sigma \in S_3$. From case (3) of Lemma 3.1 we get $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = x$ which implies $\alpha x \backslash x = \beta x$. Hence, $\beta x = P_x \alpha x \forall x \in Q$ and $\sigma \in S_3$. $\square$

Remark 3.1. In a left loop $f(x) = 1 \forall x \in Q$, in a right loop $e(x) = 1 \forall x \in Q$ and in a unipotent quasigroup $s(x) = 1 \forall x \in Q$, where 1 is a fixed element of the set Q .

Corollary 3.2. Let $(Q, \cdot)$ be a left loop with left identity element $f = 1$ and $\sigma \in S_3$.

- (1) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
- (a) $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (23)$,
 - (b) $\gamma = R_{1\alpha}$ for $\sigma = (12), (123)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (132)$.
- (2) If $(\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
- (a) $\beta = \gamma$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (23)$,
 - (b) $\gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (123)$,
 - (c) $\beta = P_{\gamma 1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (132)$.
- (3) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
- (a) $\beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (23)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = R_{\beta 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (123)$,
 - (c) $\beta = P_1 \alpha$ for $\sigma = (13), (132)$.

Proof. Case 1. Putting $f(x) = 1 \forall x \in Q$ in the case (1) of Lemma 3.1 we obtain the following: for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (23)$ we get $\alpha 1 \cdot x = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = L_{\alpha 1} x \forall x \in Q$; for $\sigma = (12), (123)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot 1 = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = R_{1\alpha} x \forall x \in Q$; for $\sigma = (13), (132)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma 1$ which implies $\alpha x = \gamma 1/x$, i.e. $\alpha x = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1} x \forall x \in Q$.

Other cases can be proved similarly. $\square$

Corollary 3.3. Let $(Q, \cdot)$ be a right loop with right identity element $e = 1$ and $\sigma \in S_3$.

- (1) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
- (a) $\alpha = \gamma$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (13)$,
 - (b) $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (132)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (123)$.
- (2) If $(\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
- (a) $\gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (13)$,

- (b) $\gamma = L_1\beta$ for $\sigma = (12), (132)$,
- (c) $\beta = P_{\gamma 1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (123)$.
- (3) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
 - (a) $\alpha = R_{\beta 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (13)$,
 - (b) $\beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (132)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = P_1\alpha$ for $\sigma = (23), (123)$,

Proof. Case 2. Putting $e(x) = 1 \forall x \in Q$ in the case (2) of Lemma 3.1 we obtain the following: for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (13)$, $x \cdot \beta 1 = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = R_{\beta 1}x \forall x \in Q$; for $\sigma = (12), (132)$, $1 \cdot \beta x = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = L_1\beta x \forall x \in Q$; for $\sigma = (23), (123)$, $x \cdot \beta x = \gamma 1$ which implies $\beta x = x \setminus \gamma x$, i.e. $\beta x = P_{\gamma 1}x \forall x \in Q$.

Other cases can be proved similarly. □

Corollary 3.4. Let $(Q, \cdot)$ be a unipotent quasigroup with middle identity element $s = 1$ and $\sigma \in S_3$.

- (1) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
 - (a) $\alpha = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (12)$,
 - (b) $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (123)$,
 - (c) $\gamma = R_1\alpha$ for $\sigma = (23), (132)$.
- (2) If $(\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
 - (a) $\alpha = P_{\gamma 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (12)$,
 - (b) $\gamma = L_1\beta$ for $\sigma = (13), (123)$,
 - (c) $\gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (132)$.
- (3) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
 - (a) $\alpha = \beta$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (12)$,
 - (b) $\beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (123)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = R_{\beta 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (132)$.

Proof. Case 3. Putting $s(x) = 1 \forall x \in Q$ in the case (3) of Lemma 3.1 we obtain the following: for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (12)$, $\alpha x \cdot \beta x = 1$ which implies $\beta x = \alpha x \setminus 1$, i.e. $\beta x = P_1\alpha x \forall x \in Q$. But $P_1 = \varepsilon$ in a unipotent quasigroup. Hence, $\beta = \alpha$. Now for $\sigma = (13), (123)$, $\alpha 1 \cdot \beta x = x$, i.e. $\beta x = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}x \forall x \in Q$ and for $\sigma = (23), (132)$, $\alpha x \cdot \beta 1 = x$, i.e. $\alpha x = R_{\beta 1}^{-1}x \forall x \in Q$.

Other cases can be proved similarly. □

In the following three theorems, we explicitly derive the structure of σ - A -nuclei of a loop, a unipotent left loop and a unipotent right loop in terms of translation maps. This would make the study of σ - A -nuclei of a loop, a unipotent left loop and a unipotent right loop much easier. As well as this will reduce the time required in computation of σ - A -nuclei of the mentioned quasigroups.

Theorem 3.4. Let $(Q, \cdot)$ be a loop with identity element 1 and $\sigma \in S_3$.

- (1) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
 - (a) $\alpha = \gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (12)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = \gamma = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (123)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}, \gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (132)$.
- (2) If $((\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma))) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
 - (a) $\beta = \gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (12)$,
 - (b) $\beta = P_{\beta 1}, \gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (123)$,
 - (c) $\beta = \gamma = P_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (132)$.
- (3) If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:
 - (a) $\alpha = R_{\beta 1}^{-1}, \beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (12)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = R_{\beta 1}^{-1}, \beta = P_1 R_{\beta 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (123)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = P_1^{-1} L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}, \beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (132)$,

where $\alpha 1 \cdot \beta 1 = 1$.

Proof. Case 1. Putting $f = e = 1$ in the case (1) of Lemma 3.1 we obtain the following:

If $\sigma = \varepsilon$ we get $\alpha x \cdot 1 = \gamma x$, i.e. $\alpha x = \gamma x$ and $\alpha 1 \cdot x = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = L_{\alpha 1} x$ $\forall x \in Q$. Hence, $\alpha = \gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$.

If $\sigma = (12)$ we get $\alpha 1 \cdot x = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = L_{\alpha 1} x$ and $\alpha x \cdot 1 = \gamma x$, i.e. $\alpha x = \gamma x$ $\forall x \in Q$. Hence, $\alpha = \gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$.

If $\sigma = (13)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot 1 = \gamma x$, i.e. $\alpha x = \gamma x$ and $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma 1$, i.e. $\alpha x = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ $\forall x \in Q$. Also we have $\alpha 1 = \gamma 1$. Hence, $\alpha = \gamma = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$.

If $\sigma = (23)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma 1$, i.e. $\alpha x = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ and $\alpha 1 \cdot x = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = L_{\alpha 1} x$ $\forall x \in Q$. Also we have $\alpha 1 = \gamma 1$. Hence, $\alpha = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ and $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$.

If $\sigma = (123)$ we get $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma 1$, i.e. $\alpha x = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ and $\alpha x \cdot 1 = \gamma x$, i.e. $\alpha x = \gamma x$ $\forall x \in Q$. Also we have $\alpha 1 = \gamma 1$. Hence, $\alpha = \gamma = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$.

If $\sigma = (132)$ we get $\alpha 1 \cdot x = \gamma x$, i.e. $\gamma x = L_{\alpha 1} x$ and $\alpha x \cdot x = \gamma 1$, i.e. $\alpha x = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ $\forall x \in Q$. Also we have $\alpha 1 = \gamma 1$. Hence, $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ and $\alpha = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$.

Other cases can be proved similarly. $\square$

Remark 3.2. Since for $\sigma = \varepsilon$, ε -A-nuclei coincide with A-nuclei. Therefore, in Theorem 3.4 (3)(a) $\alpha = R_{\beta 1}, \beta = L_{\beta 1}^{-1}$ [11].

Remark 3.3. From Theorem 3.4 and Remark 3.2 we can say that in a loop $(Q, \cdot)$ with identity element 1 the following hold:

- (1) any element of the left $\varepsilon, (12), (13), (123), (23)$ and (132) -A-nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (L_a, \varepsilon, L_a)), ((12), (L_a, \varepsilon, L_a)), ((13), (P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, P_a^{-1})), ((123), (P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, P_a^{-1})), ((23), (P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_a))$ and $((132), (P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_a))$, respectively, where a is a fixed element of Q .

- (2) any element of the right ε , (12), (13), (123), (23) and (132)-A-nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (\varepsilon, R_a, R_a))$, $((12), (\varepsilon, R_a, R_a))$, $((13), (\varepsilon, P_a, R_a))$, $((123), (\varepsilon, P_a, R_a))$, $((23), (\varepsilon, P_a, P_a))$ and $((132), (\varepsilon, P_a, P_a))$, respectively, where a is a fixed element of Q .
- (3) any element of the middle ε , (12), (13), (123), (23) and (132)-A-nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (R_b, L_b^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((12), (R_b^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$ with $a \cdot b = 1$, $((13), (R_b^{-1}, P_1^{-1}R_b^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((123), (R_b^{-1}, P_1^{-1}R_b^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((23), (P_1^{-1}L_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$ and $((132), (P_1^{-1}L_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, respectively, where a and b are fixed elements of Q .

Corollary 3.5. *In any loop $(Q, \cdot)$ we have $|\sigma N_l^A| = |\sigma N_r^A| = |\sigma N_m^A| = |Q|$ for all $\sigma \in S_3$.*

Proof. In any quasigroup $(Q, \cdot)$, if T_a is a left/ right/ middle translation then $a \neq b \Rightarrow T_a \neq T_b$ for all $a, b \in Q$. Hence from Theorem 3.4 in a loop $(Q, \cdot)$ for different elements in Q , we get different elements in left/ right/ middle σ -A-nucleus. $\square$

Theorem 3.5. *Let $(Q, \cdot)$ be a unipotent left loop and $\sigma \in S_3$.*

- (1) *If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:*
- (a) $\alpha = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$, $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (13)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$, $\gamma = R_1 P_{\gamma 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (132)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = R_1^{-1} L_{\alpha 1}$, $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (123)$.
- (2) *If $(\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:*
- (a) $\beta = \gamma = P_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (13)$,
 - (b) $\beta = P_{\beta 1}$, $\gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (132)$,
 - (c) $\beta = \gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (123)$.
- (3) *If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:*
- (a) $\alpha = \beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (13)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = \beta = R_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (132)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = R_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$, $\beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (23), (123)$,

Proof. This can be proved on similar lines as in Theorem 3.4 by putting $f = s = 1$ in Lemma 3.1 (or follows from Corollaries 3.2 and 3.4). $\square$

Remark 3.4. Since for $\sigma = \varepsilon$, ε -A-nuclei coincides with A-nuclei. Therefore, in Theorem 3.5 (1)(a) $\alpha = P_{\alpha 1}$, $\gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ [11].

Remark 3.5. From Theorem 3.5 and Remark 3.4 we can say that in a unipotent left loop $(Q, \cdot)$ with left identity element $f = 1$ the following hold:

- (1) any element of the left ε , (13), (12), (132), (23) and (123)-A-nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (P_a, \varepsilon, L_a))$, $((13), (P_{a \cdot 1}^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_a))$, $((12), (P_b^{-1}, \varepsilon, R_1 P_b^{-1}))$, $((132), (P_b^{-1}, \varepsilon, R_1 P_b^{-1}))$, $((23), (R_1^{-1} L_a, \varepsilon, L_a))$ and $((123), (R_1^{-1} L_a, \varepsilon, L_a))$, respectively, where a and b are fixed elements of Q .

- (2) any element of the right ε , (13), (12), (132), (23) and (123)-A-nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (\varepsilon, P_a, P_a))$, $((13), (\varepsilon, P_a, P_a))$, $((12), (\varepsilon, P_a, R_a))$, $((132), (\varepsilon, P_a, R_a))$, $((23), (\varepsilon, R_a, R_a))$ and $((123), (\varepsilon, R_a, R_a))$, respectively, where a is a fixed element of Q .
- (3) any element of the middle ε , (13), (12), (132), (23) and (123)-A-nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (L_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((13), (L_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((12), (R_a^{-1}, R_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((132), (R_a^{-1}, R_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((23), (R_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$ and $((123), (R_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, respectively, where a is a fixed element of Q .

Corollary 3.6. *In any unipotent left loop $(Q, \cdot)$ we have $|\sigma N_l^A| = |\sigma N_r^A| = |\sigma N_m^A| = |Q|$ for all $\sigma \in S_3$.*

Proof. This can be proved on similar lines as in Corollary 3.5 using Theorem 3.5. □

Theorem 3.6. *Let $(Q, \cdot)$ be a unipotent right loop and $\sigma \in S_3$.*

- (1) *If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:*
- (a) $\alpha = \gamma = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (23)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = L_{\alpha 1}, \gamma = P_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (123)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = \gamma = L_{\alpha 1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (132)$.
- (2) *If $(\sigma, (\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:*
- (a) $\beta = P_{1\beta 1}, \gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (23)$,
 - (b) $\beta = P_{\gamma 1}, \gamma = L_1 P_{\gamma 1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (123)$,
 - (c) $\beta = L_1^{-1} R_{\beta 1}, \gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (132)$.
- (3) *If $(\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)) \in \text{Aus}(Q, \cdot)$ then:*
- (a) $\alpha = \beta = R_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = \varepsilon, (23)$,
 - (b) $\alpha = \beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (12), (123)$,
 - (c) $\alpha = R_{\alpha 1}^{-1}, \beta = L_{\alpha 1}^{-1}$ for $\sigma = (13), (132)$.

Proof. This can be proved on similar lines as in Theorem 3.4 by putting $e = s = 1$ in Lemma 3.1 (or follows from Corollaries 3.3 and 3.4). □

Remark 3.6. Since for $\sigma = \varepsilon$, ε -A-nuclei coincides with A-nuclei. Therefore, in Theorem 3.6 (2)(a) $\beta = P_{\beta 1}^{-1}, \gamma = R_{\beta 1}$ [11].

Remark 3.7. From Theorem 3.6 and Remark 3.6 we can say that in a unipotent right loop $(Q, \cdot)$ with right identity element $e = 1$ the following hold:

- (1) any element of the left ε , (23), (12), (123), (13) and (132)-A-nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, P_a^{-1}))$, $((23), (P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, P_a^{-1}))$, $((12), (L_a, \varepsilon, P_a^{-1}))$, $((123), (L_a, \varepsilon, P_a^{-1}))$, $((13), (L_a, \varepsilon, L_a))$ and $((132), (L_a, \varepsilon, L_a))$, respectively, where a is a fixed element of Q .

- (2) any element of the right ε , (23), (12), (123), (13) and (132)- A -nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (\varepsilon, P_a^{-1}, R_a))$, $((23), (\varepsilon, P_{1.a}, R_a))$, $((12), (\varepsilon, P_b, L_1 P_b))$, $((123), (\varepsilon, P_b, L_1 P_b))$, $((13), (\varepsilon, L_1^{-1} R_a, R_a))$ and $((132), (\varepsilon, L_1^{-1} R_a, R_a))$, respectively, where a and b are fixed elements of Q .
- (3) any element of the middle ε , (23), (12), (123), (13) and (132)- A -nucleus is of the form $(\varepsilon, (R_a^{-1}, R_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((23), (R_a^{-1}, R_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((12), (L_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((123), (L_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, $((13), (R_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$ and $((132), (R_a^{-1}, L_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))$, respectively, where a is a fixed element of Q .

Corollary 3.7. *In any unipotent right loop $(Q, \cdot)$ we have $|\sigma N_l^A| = |\sigma N_r^A| = |\sigma N_m^A| = |Q|$ for all $\sigma \in S_3$.*

Proof. This can be proved on similar lines as in Corollary 3.5 using Theorem 3.6. $\square$

In the following theorem, we derive left, right and middle ε - A -nuclei (or A -nuclei) of a quasigroup which is an isostrophic image of a loop in terms of translation maps.

Theorem 3.7. *Let $(Q, *)$ is a loop and $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, *) (\sigma, (\alpha, \beta, \gamma))$.*

- (1) *If $\sigma = \varepsilon$, (12) and $\gamma = \varepsilon$ then:*

- (a) $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (R_a^{-1} L_{R_a^{-1} l} L_b^{-1} R_a, \varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1} l} L_b^{-1})$,
- (b) $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = (\varepsilon, L_b^{-1} R_{L_b^{-1} r} R_a^{-1} L_b, R_{L_b^{-1} r} R_a^{-1})$,
- (c) $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = (R_a^{-1} R_{L_b^{-1} m}, L_{R_a^{-1} m}^{-1} L_b, \varepsilon)$,

where a, b are fixed elements of Q , $l \in N_l(Q, *^\sigma)$, $r \in N_r(Q, *^\sigma)$ and $m \in N_m(Q, *^\sigma)$. Here $(Q, *^\sigma)$ is the σ parastrophe of $(Q, *)$.

- (2) *If $\sigma = (13)$, (132) and $\alpha = \varepsilon$ then:*

- (a) $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_{R_b c}^{-1} P_a, \varepsilon, R_b P_{R_b c}^{-1} P_a R_b^{-1})$,
- (b) $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = (\varepsilon, P_a P_{R_b c}^{-1}, R_{P_a c} R_b^{-1})$,
- (c) $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = (R_{P_a c}^{-1} R_b, P_a R_{P_a c}^{-1} R_b P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon)$,

where a, b, c are fixed elements of Q .

- (3) *If $\sigma = (23)$, (123) and $\beta = \varepsilon$ then:*

- (a) $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_a^{-1} P_{L_b^{-1} c}, \varepsilon, L_{P_a^{-1} c} L_b^{-1})$,
- (b) $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = (\varepsilon, P_{L_b^{-1} c} P_a^{-1}, L_b P_{L_b^{-1} c} P_a^{-1} L_b^{-1})$,
- (c) $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_a^{-1} L_{P_a^{-1} c}^{-1} L_b P_a, L_{P_a^{-1} c}^{-1} L_b, \varepsilon)$,

where a, b, c are fixed elements of Q .

Proof. Case 1 (a): If $\sigma = (12)$ and $\gamma = \varepsilon$, take a quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ such that $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (12) (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. From Table 1, the (12) parastrophe of a loop is again a loop. Therefore, the quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ is a loop. We get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, \circ) (\alpha, \beta, \varepsilon)$ and $(Q, \circ)$ is a loop. This can be written as $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot) (\alpha^{-1}, \beta^{-1}, \varepsilon)$ which implies $x \circ y = \alpha^{-1} x \cdot \beta^{-1} y$. If $x = 1$, then we have $1 \circ y = y = \alpha^{-1} 1 \cdot \beta^{-1} y$. Therefore,

$y = L_{\alpha^{-1}1}\beta^{-1}y$, $\beta^{-1} = L_{\alpha^{-1}1}^{-1} = L_b^{-1}$ (say), where $b = \alpha^{-1}1$. If we take $y = 1$, then $x \circ 1 = x = \alpha^{-1}x \cdot \beta^{-1}1$. Therefore, $x = R_{\beta^{-1}1}\alpha^{-1}x$, i.e. $\alpha^{-1} = R_{\beta^{-1}1}^{-1} = R_a^{-1}$ (say), where $a = \beta^{-1}1$. We get $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot)T$; $T = (R_a^{-1}, L_b^{-1}, \varepsilon)$. This gives $x \circ y = R_a^{-1}x \cdot L_b^{-1}y = L_{R_a^{-1}x}L_b^{-1}y$. Therefore, we have

$$L_x^\circ = L_{R_a^{-1}x}L_b^{-1}. \quad (3.2)$$

Similarly

$$R_y^\circ = R_{L_b^{-1}y}R_a^{-1}. \quad (3.3)$$

From Theorem 2.2(1), any element of the left A-nucleus of the loop $(Q, \circ)$ has the form $(L_l^\circ, \varepsilon, L_l^\circ)$, where $l \in N_l(Q, \circ) = N_l(Q, *^\sigma)$. Since $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (12)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$, therefore from Table 2, we get ${}_2N_r^* = {}_1N_l^\circ = L_l^\circ$, ${}_3N_r^* = {}_3N_l^\circ = L_l^\circ$. Hence from Eq. (3.2), $N_r^A(Q, *) = (\varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1})$. We have $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, *)((12), (R_a, L_b, \varepsilon))$, thus from Theorem 2.1 we get $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = S^{-1}N_r^A(Q, *)S$, where $S = ((12), (R_a, L_b, \varepsilon))$. Therefore, $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = ((12), (L_b^{-1}, R_a^{-1}, \varepsilon))(\varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1})((12), (R_a, L_b, \varepsilon)) = (\varepsilon, (R_a^{-1}L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}R_a, \varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}))$. Hence, $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (R_a^{-1}L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}R_a, \varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1})$.

If $\sigma = \varepsilon$ and $\gamma = \varepsilon$, similarly we get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, *) (R_a, L_b, \varepsilon)$. Again from Theorem 2.2(1) and Eq. (3.2), any element of the left A-nucleus of the loop $(Q, *)$ has the form $(L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1})$, where $l \in N_l(Q, *)$. Since from Theorem 2.1 we have $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = T^{-1}N_l^A(Q, *)T$, where $T = (R_a, L_b, \varepsilon)$. Therefore, $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (R_a^{-1}, L_b^{-1}, \varepsilon)(L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1})(R_a, L_b, \varepsilon) = (R_a^{-1}L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}R_a, \varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1})$. Hence, $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (R_a^{-1}L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1}R_a, \varepsilon, L_{R_a^{-1}l}L_b^{-1})$.

Cases (b) and (c) can be proved similarly.

Case 2 (b): If $\sigma = (13)$ and $\alpha = \varepsilon$, take a quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ such that $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (13)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. From Table 1, the (13) parastrophe of a loop is a unipotent right loop. Therefore, the quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent right loop. We get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, \circ)(\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)$ and $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent right loop. This can be written as $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot)(\varepsilon, \beta^{-1}, \gamma^{-1})$ which implies $x \circ y = \gamma(x \cdot \beta^{-1}y)$. If $y = 1$, then we have $x \circ 1 = x = \gamma(x \cdot \beta^{-1}1)$. Therefore, $\gamma^{-1}x = x \cdot \beta^{-1}1$, $\gamma^{-1} = R_{\beta^{-1}1} = R_b$ (say), where $b = \beta^{-1}1$. If we take $x = y$, then $x \circ x = 1 = \gamma(x \cdot \beta^{-1}x)$. Therefore, $\gamma^{-1}1 = x \cdot \beta^{-1}x$, $\beta^{-1}x = x \setminus \gamma^{-1}1 = P_{\gamma^{-1}1}x$, i.e. $\beta^{-1} = P_{\gamma^{-1}1} = P_a$ (say), where $a = \gamma^{-1}1$. We get $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot)T$; $T = (\varepsilon, P_a, R_b)$. This gives $x \circ y = R_b^{-1}(x \cdot P_a y) = R_b^{-1}(L_x P_a y)$. Therefore, we have

$$L_x^\circ = R_b^{-1}L_x P_a. \quad (3.4)$$

Similarly

$$R_y^\circ = R_b^{-1}R_{P_a y}. \quad (3.5)$$

Let $x \circ y = R_b^{-1}(x \cdot P_a y) = z$. Then $x \circ y = z, R_b^{-1}(x \cdot P_a y) = z$, i.e. $z/y = x, R_b z/P_a y = x$. Therefore, $P_z^{\circ-1} y = P_{R_b z}^{-1} P_a y$, i.e.

$$P_z^{\circ-1} = P_{R_b z}^{-1} P_a. \quad (3.6)$$

From Remark 3.7, any element of the right A-nucleus of the unipotent right loop $(Q, \circ)$ has the form $(\varepsilon, P_c^{\circ-1}, R_c^{\circ})$, where c is a fixed element of Q . Since $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (13)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$, therefore from Table 2, we get ${}_1 N_m^* = {}_3 N_r^{\circ} = R_c^{\circ}$, ${}_2 N_m^* = {}_2 N_r^{\circ} = P_c^{\circ-1}$. Hence from Eqs. (3.5) and (3.6), any middle A-nucleus of $(Q, *)$ has element of the form $(R_b^{-1} R_{P_a c}, P_{R_b c}^{-1} P_a, \varepsilon)$. We have $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, *) ((13), (\varepsilon, P_a^{-1}, R_b^{-1}))$, thus from Theorem 2.1 we get $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = S^{-1} N_m^A(Q, *) S$, where $S = ((13), (\varepsilon, P_a^{-1}, R_b^{-1}))$. Therefore, $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = ((13), (R_b, P_a, \varepsilon)) (\varepsilon, (R_b^{-1} R_{P_a c}, P_{R_b c}^{-1} P_a, \varepsilon)) ((13), (\varepsilon, P_a^{-1}, R_b^{-1})) = (\varepsilon, (\varepsilon, P_a P_{R_b c}^{-1}, R_{P_a c} R_b^{-1}))$. Hence, $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = (\varepsilon, P_a P_{R_b c}^{-1}, R_{P_a c} R_b^{-1})$.

If $\sigma = (132)$ and $\alpha = \varepsilon$, take a quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ such that $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (132)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. From Table 1, the (132) parastrophe of a loop is also a unipotent right loop. Therefore, the quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent right loop. We get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, \circ)(\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)$ and $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent right loop. Following the same procedure as above we get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, *) ((132), (\varepsilon, P_a^{-1}, R_b^{-1}))$. Therefore from Theorem 2.1, we get $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = S^{-1} N_l^A(Q, *) S$, where $S = ((132), (\varepsilon, P_a^{-1}, R_b^{-1}))$. Since $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (132)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$, therefore from Table 2, we have components of left A-nucleus of $(Q, *)$ from the components of right A-nucleus of $(Q, \circ)$ as: ${}_1 N_l^* = {}_3 N_r^{\circ} = R_c^{\circ}$, ${}_3 N_l^* = {}_2 N_r^{\circ} = P_c^{\circ-1}$. Hence from Eqs. (3.5) and (3.6), $N_m^A(Q, *) = (R_b^{-1} R_{P_a c}, \varepsilon, P_{R_b c}^{-1} P_a)$. Therefore, $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = ((123), (R_b, \varepsilon, P_a)) (\varepsilon, (R_b^{-1} R_{P_a c}, \varepsilon, P_{R_b c}^{-1} P_a)) ((132), (\varepsilon, P_a^{-1}, R_b^{-1})) = (\varepsilon, (\varepsilon, P_a P_{R_b c}^{-1}, R_{P_a c} R_b^{-1}))$. Hence, $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = (\varepsilon, P_a P_{R_b c}^{-1}, R_{P_a c} R_b^{-1})$.

Cases (a) and (c) can be proved similarly.

Case 3 (c): If $\sigma = (23)$ and $\beta = \varepsilon$, take a quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ such that $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (23)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. From Table 1, the (23) parastrophe of a loop is a unipotent left loop. Therefore, the quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent left loop. We get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, \circ)(\alpha, \varepsilon, \gamma)$ and $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent left loop. This can be written as $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot)(\alpha^{-1}, \varepsilon, \gamma^{-1})$ which implies $x \circ y = \gamma(\alpha^{-1} x \cdot y)$. If $x = 1$, then we have $1 \circ y = y = \gamma(\alpha^{-1} 1 \cdot y)$. Therefore, $\gamma^{-1} y = \alpha^{-1} 1 \cdot y$, $\gamma^{-1} = L_{\alpha^{-1} 1} = L_b$ (say), where $b = \alpha^{-1} 1$. If we take $x = y$, then $x \circ x = 1 = \gamma(\alpha^{-1} x \cdot x)$. Therefore, $\gamma^{-1} 1 = \alpha^{-1} x \cdot x$, $\alpha^{-1} x = \gamma^{-1} 1/x = P_{\gamma^{-1} 1}^{-1} x$, i.e. $\alpha^{-1} = P_{\gamma^{-1} 1}^{-1} = P_a^{-1}$ (say), where $a = \gamma^{-1} 1$. We get $(Q, \circ) = (Q, \cdot) T$; $T = (P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_b)$. This gives $x \circ y = L_b^{-1}(P_a^{-1} x \cdot y) = L_b^{-1}(L_{P_a^{-1} x} y)$. Therefore, we have

$$L_x^{\circ} = L_b^{-1} L_{P_a^{-1} x}. \quad (3.7)$$

Similarly

$$R_y^{\circ} = L_b^{-1} R_y P_a^{-1}. \quad (3.8)$$

Let $z = x \circ y = L_b^{-1}(P_a^{-1}x \cdot y)$. Then $x \circ y = z, L_b^{-1}(P_a^{-1}x \cdot y) = z$, i.e. $x \setminus z = y, P_a^{-1}x \setminus L_b^{-1}z = y$. Therefore, $P_z^\circ x = P_{L_b^{-1}z}P_a^{-1}x$, i.e.

$$P_z^\circ = P_{L_b^{-1}z}P_a^{-1}. \quad (3.9)$$

From Remark 3.5, any element of the middle A-nucleus of the unipotent left loop $(Q, \circ)$ has the form $(L_c^{\circ-1}, L_c^{\circ-1}, \varepsilon)$, where c is a fixed element of Q . Since $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (23)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$, therefore from Table 2, we get ${}_1N_l^* = {}_1N_m^\circ = L_c^{\circ-1}$, ${}_3N_l^* = {}_2N_m^\circ = L_c^{\circ-1}$. Hence from Eq. (3.7), $N_l^A(Q, *) = (L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b)$. We have $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, *)((23), (P_a, \varepsilon, L_b^{-1}))$, thus from Theorem 2.1 we get $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = S^{-1}N_l^A(Q, *)S$, where $S = ((23), (P_a, \varepsilon, L_b^{-1}))$. Therefore, $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = ((23), (P_a^{-1}, L_b, \varepsilon))(\varepsilon, (L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b))((23), (P_a, \varepsilon, L_b^{-1})) = (\varepsilon, (P_a^{-1}L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_bP_a, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon))$. Hence, $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_a^{-1}L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_bP_a, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon)$.

If $\sigma = (123)$ and $\alpha = \varepsilon$, take a quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ such that $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (123)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. From Table 1, the (123) parastrophe of a loop is a unipotent left loop. Therefore, the quasigroup $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent left loop. We get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, \circ)(\varepsilon, \beta, \gamma)$ and $(Q, \circ)$ is a unipotent left loop. Following the same procedure as above we get $(Q, \cdot) = (Q, *)((123), (P_a, \varepsilon, L_b^{-1}))$. Therefore from Theorem 2.1, we get $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = S^{-1}N_l^A(Q, *)S$, where $S = ((123), (P_a, \varepsilon, L_b^{-1}))$. Since $(Q, \circ) = (Q, *) (123)(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \varepsilon)$, therefore from Table 2, we have components of left A-nucleus of $(Q, *)$ from the components of middle A-nucleus of $(Q, \circ)$ as: ${}_1N_l^* = {}_2N_m^\circ = L_c^{\circ-1}$, ${}_3N_l^* = {}_1N_m^\circ = L_c^{\circ-1}$. Hence from Eq. (3.7), $N_l^A(Q, *) = (L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b)$. Therefore, $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = ((132), (\varepsilon, L_b, P_a^{-1}))(\varepsilon, (L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b))((123), (P_a, \varepsilon, L_b^{-1})) = (\varepsilon, (P_a^{-1}L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_bP_a, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon))$. Hence, $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_a^{-1}L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_bP_a, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon)$.

Cases (a) and (b) can be proved similarly. $\square$

Theorem 3.8. *If $(Q, \cdot)$ and $(Q, *)$ are quasigroups such that $(Q, *) = (Q, \cdot)(\varepsilon, P_a, R_b)$ then the following hold:*

- (1) $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_{R_b c}^{-1}P_a, \varepsilon, R_b P_{R_b c}^{-1}P_a R_b^{-1})$,
- (2) $N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = (\varepsilon, P_a P_{R_b c}^{-1}, R_{P_a c} R_b^{-1})$,
- (3) $N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = (R_{P_a c}^{-1}R_b, P_a R_{P_a c}^{-1}R_b P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon)$,

where $a, b, c \in Q$.

Proof. Given that $(Q, *) = (Q, \cdot)(\varepsilon, P_a, R_b)$. Therefore, the quasigroup $(Q, *)$ is a unipotent right loop [3]. The result can be proved on the similar line as that of Theorem 3.7 (2) and hence omitted. $\square$

Theorem 3.9. *If $(Q, \cdot)$ and $(Q, *)$ are quasigroups such that $(Q, *) = (Q, \cdot)(P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_b)$ then the following hold:*

- (1) $N_l^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_a^{-1}P_{L_b^{-1}c}, \varepsilon, L_{P_a^{-1}c}L_b^{-1})$,

$$(2) \ N_r^A(Q, \cdot) = (\varepsilon, P_{L_b^{-1}c}P_a^{-1}, L_bP_{L_b^{-1}c}P_a^{-1}L_b^{-1}),$$

$$(3) \ N_m^A(Q, \cdot) = (P_a^{-1}L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_bP_a, L_{P_a^{-1}c}^{-1}L_b, \varepsilon),$$

where $a, b, c \in Q$.

Proof. Given that $(Q, *) = (Q, \cdot)(P_a^{-1}, \varepsilon, L_b)$. Therefore, the quasigroup $(Q, *)$ is a unipotent left loop [3]. The result can be proved on the similar line as that of Theorem 3.7 (3) and hence omitted. $\square$

4. Conclusions

In this paper, we have discussed some concepts required for the understanding of the paper and redefined σ - A -nuclei of a quasigroup as a generalization of A -nuclei. Connections between the components of σ - A -nuclei and local identity elements of a quasigroup have been derived. Further, we have found the explicit structure of σ - A -nuclei of a loop, a unipotent left loop and a unipotent right loop in terms of translation maps. Finally, the left, right and middle A -nuclei of a quasigroup which is an isostrophic image of a loop have been found.

This study may further be carried out to obtain σ - A -nuclei of various quasigroup classes available in the literature.

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