

Ring Models for Group Candidates

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Single Equational Axioms for Group Theory

In terms of division, $x/y = x \cdot y'$.

- Higman and Neumann, 1952:

$$x/((((x/x)/y)/z)/(((x/x)/x)/z)) = y.$$

This has type (19,3). (Length 19 with 3 variables.)

Is there a simpler one (in terms of division)?

No.

A nonassociative inverse loop (size 7) kills all nontrivial candidates.

In terms of product and inverse.

- Neumann (1981), type (20,4):

$$x \cdot (((y' \cdot (x' \cdot z))' \cdot u) \cdot (y \cdot u)')' = z.$$

- Kunen (1992), type (20,3):

$$((z \cdot (x \cdot y)')' \cdot (z \cdot y')) \cdot (y' \cdot y)' = x.$$

- McCune (1993), type (18,4):

$$y \cdot (z \cdot (((u \cdot u') \cdot (x \cdot z)') \cdot y))' = x.$$

- Kunen (1992) showed that the only possibility for a simpler axiom in terms of product and inverse is one of type (18,3).

Product/Inverse Candidates of Type (18,3)

- There are 20,568 candidates to start with.
- Collect a set of small countermodels by using Mace4.
- Tight constraints allow searches for larger countermodels.
 - nonassociative inverse loops (orders 10, 12, 16)
 - ring models

Ring Example

- Candidate

$$(((x \cdot y)' \cdot z) \cdot (((z \cdot z)' \cdot z) \cdot x))' = y.$$

- Consider the ring of integers mod 5, and let

$$\begin{aligned}x \cdot y &= 2x + y \\x' &= 3x\end{aligned}$$

- The candidate is true in this structure, but “.” is not associative.
- Extend Mace4 to search for ring countermodels like this.

Mace4 Input File

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% Fix [+,-,*] as the ring of integers (mod domain_size).  
set(integer_ring).
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clauses(theory).
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% candidate
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g(f(f(g(f(y,z)),x),f(f(g(f(x,x)),x),y))) = z.
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% f and g in terms of the ring operations
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g(x) = M * x.
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f(x,y) = (H * x) + (K * y).
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% denial of associativity
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f(f(a,b),c) != f(a,f(b,c)).
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end_of_list.
```

Mace4 Output

```
g(f(f(g(f(y,z)),x),f(f(g(f(x,x)),x),y))) = z.  % candidate
```

```
g(x) = M * x.
```

```
f(x,y) = (H * x) + (K * y).
```

```
f(f(a,b),c) != f(a,f(b,c)).  % denial of associativity
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M=3, H=2, K=1,
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a=1, b=0, c=0,
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g :      0 1 2 3 4  
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      0 3 1 4 2
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f :      | 0 1 2 3 4  
-----+-----  
0 | 0 1 2 3 4  
1 | 2 3 4 0 1  
2 | 4 0 1 2 3  
3 | 1 2 3 4 0  
4 | 3 4 0 1 2
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CPU time: 0.01 seconds.
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Filter Summary

Model File	Models	In	Out	Killed
2-3	25	20568	3541	17027
nail-7	1	3541	2331	1210
nail-10	1	2331	1942	389
nail-12	1	1942	1784	158
nail-16	1	1784	1686	98
ring-4	5	1686	1354	332
ring-5	30	1354	955	399
ring-7	56	955	450	505
ring-9	9	450	420	30
ring-11	62	420	219	201
ring-13	8	219	183	36
ring-17	21	183	133	50
ring-19	6	133	116	17
ring-23	1	116	111	5
ring-29	2	111	43	68
ring-41	2	43	36	7

36 candidates remain (some can be proved from others)

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| 1 | $((x \cdot x) \cdot y) \cdot ((x \cdot y)' \cdot (z \cdot x)')$ | 19 | $x \cdot ((y \cdot (y \cdot y)') \cdot (x \cdot z')) \cdot z'$ |
| 2 | $((x \cdot x) \cdot y) \cdot ((x \cdot y)' \cdot (z' \cdot x)')$ | 20 | $(x \cdot ((y \cdot ((x \cdot y)' \cdot (x \cdot z'))' \cdot x))')' = z$ |
| 3 | $((x \cdot y)' \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot ((z \cdot x)' \cdot x))'$ | 21 | $x \cdot ((y \cdot ((x \cdot y)' \cdot (x \cdot z'))' \cdot x) = z$ |
| 4 | $((x \cdot y')' \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot ((z \cdot x)' \cdot x)) = y$ | 22 | $(x \cdot ((y \cdot (z \cdot x)') \cdot (z \cdot (x \cdot x))'))' = y$ |
| 5 | $(x \cdot y)' \cdot (((x \cdot x) \cdot y) \cdot z)' \cdot x'$ | 23 | $x \cdot ((y' \cdot (z \cdot x)') \cdot (z \cdot (x \cdot x)))' = y$ |
| 6 | $(x' \cdot y) \cdot ((y \cdot (x \cdot z)') \cdot y)' \cdot y = z$ | 24 | $(x \cdot ((x' \cdot y) \cdot ((y \cdot z) \cdot y)' \cdot y))' = z$ |
| 7 | $(x' \cdot y) \cdot ((z \cdot (x \cdot (z \cdot z)))' \cdot y)' = z$ | 25 | $x \cdot ((x' \cdot y) \cdot ((y \cdot z') \cdot y)' \cdot y) = z$ |
| 8 | $((x \cdot y) \cdot ((z \cdot (x \cdot (z' \cdot z))) \cdot y)')' = z$ | 26 | $x \cdot ((x' \cdot y) \cdot (y \cdot ((z \cdot y)' \cdot y)))' = z$ |
| 9 | $(x' \cdot y) \cdot (y \cdot ((x \cdot z) \cdot y)' \cdot y))' = z$ | 27 | $(x \cdot ((y \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot ((z \cdot x)' \cdot x))'))' = y$ |
| 10 | $(x \cdot y)' \cdot (x \cdot (x \cdot ((y \cdot z) \cdot x))')' = z$ | 28 | $x \cdot ((y' \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot ((z \cdot x)' \cdot x)))' = y$ |
| 11 | $x \cdot (((y \cdot (y \cdot x)') \cdot y) \cdot z)' \cdot y)' = z$ | 29 | $x \cdot ((y \cdot x)' \cdot (y \cdot (y \cdot (z \cdot y))'))' = z$ |
| 12 | $(x \cdot (((x \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot z')) \cdot z)' \cdot x))' = y$ | 30 | $x \cdot (x \cdot ((y \cdot (x \cdot z')) \cdot z)' \cdot x))' = y$ |
| 13 | $x \cdot (((x \cdot y') \cdot (x \cdot z')) \cdot z)' \cdot x = y$ | 31 | $x \cdot (x \cdot ((y \cdot x)' \cdot (x \cdot z')) \cdot z))' = y$ |
| 14 | $(x \cdot ((y \cdot ((y' \cdot x) \cdot z)) \cdot x)' \cdot x))' = z$ | 32 | $(x \cdot (x \cdot ((y \cdot ((x \cdot y)' \cdot z)) \cdot x))')' = z$ |
| 15 | $x \cdot ((y \cdot ((y' \cdot x) \cdot z')) \cdot x)' \cdot x = z$ | 33 | $x \cdot (x \cdot ((y \cdot ((x \cdot y)' \cdot z')) \cdot x))' = z$ |
| 16 | $x \cdot (((y \cdot x)' \cdot x)' \cdot (z \cdot x)') \cdot z = y$ | 34 | $(x \cdot (y \cdot (((x \cdot y)' \cdot z) \cdot (y \cdot z)')))' = y$ |
| 17 | $(x \cdot (((x \cdot y) \cdot x)' \cdot (x \cdot z')) \cdot z))' = y$ | 35 | $x \cdot (y \cdot (((x \cdot y)' \cdot z) \cdot (y' \cdot z)')) = y$ |
| 18 | $x \cdot (((x \cdot y') \cdot x)' \cdot (x \cdot z')) \cdot z = y$ | 36 | $x \cdot (y \cdot ((y' \cdot x) \cdot ((z \cdot x)' \cdot x)))' = z$ |