

# カンドルにおける平坦性と可換性

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# Introduction - (1/7)

## Abstract

- (起) カンドル (quandle): 結び目の研究に現れる代数系.
- (承) 対称空間  $\Rightarrow$  カンドル.
- (転) 対称空間論を参照して, カンドルの研究を行いたい.  
( $\leftrightarrow$  離散的な対称空間論を作りたい)
- (結) 今回は, 主に「平坦性」に関する結果を紹介する.

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# Introduction - (2/7)

## Def. (cf. Joyce 1982)

Let  $X$  be a set, and  $s : X \rightarrow \text{Map}(X, X) : x \mapsto s_x$  be a map. Then  $(X, s)$  is **quandle** if

$$(S1) \quad \forall x \in X, s_x(x) = x.$$

$$(S2) \quad \forall x \in X, s_x \text{ is bijective.}$$

$$(S3) \quad \forall x, y \in X, s_x \circ s_y = s_{s_x(y)} \circ s_x.$$

## Note

- The original formulation is given by  $* : X \times X \rightarrow X$ ,
- The correspondence is  $s_x(y) = y * x$ .

# Introduction - (3/7)

## Def.

Let

- $K$  : an oriented knot ( $S^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ ),
- $[K]$  : its diagram (Note:  $K = [K]/$ “Reidemeister moves”),
- $(X, s)$  : a quandle.

Then a map  $[K] \rightarrow X$  is **quandle coloring** if

- crossings are “compatible” with  $s$ .

## Fact (motivation from knot theory)

- Quandle colorings are invariant under the Reidemeister moves.
- Hence,  $\#\{\text{quandle colorings}\}$  is an invariant of knots.

# Introduction - (4/7)

## Fact (motivation from differential geometry)

- Any connected Riemannian symmetric space is a quandle.

## Note

Our viewpoint is:

- quandles = “discrete symmetric spaces”,
- although it also contains “3-symmetric spaces” ...

We would like to construct their structure theory.

# Introduction - (5/7)

Ex.

The **trivial quandle**:

- $s_x := \text{id}_X$  ( $\forall x \in X$ ).

The **dihedral quandle**:

- $D_n := \{p_1, \dots, p_n : n\text{-equal dividing pts on } S^1\}$ .

The **tetrahedral quandle**:

- $X := \{\text{vertices of tetrahedron}\}$  with  $s$  some  $120^\circ$ -rotations.

# Introduction - (6/7)

## Def.

$f : (X, s^X) \rightarrow (Y, s^Y)$  is a **homomorphism** if

- $\forall x \in X, f \circ s_x = s_{f(x)} \circ f.$

## Def.

The **automorphism group** of  $(X, s)$  is

- $\text{Aut}(X, s) := \{f : X \rightarrow X : \text{auto. (i.e., bijective homo.)}\}.$

$(X, s)$  is **homogeneous** if

- $\text{Aut}(X, s) \curvearrowright X$  is transitive,

## Ex.

The following quandles are homogeneous:

- trivial quandles, dihedral quandles, the tetrahedral quandle.

# Introduction - (7/7)

## Def.

The **inner automorphism group** of  $(X, s)$  is

- $\text{Inn}(X, s) := \langle \{s_x \mid x \in X\} \rangle$ .

$(X, s)$  is **connected** if

- $\text{Inn}(X, s) \curvearrowright X$  is transitive.

## Rem.

- $\text{Inn}(X, s) \subset \text{Aut}(X, s)$ . Hence, connected  $\Rightarrow$  homogeneous.

## Ex.

- trivial quandles are disconnected (unless  $\#X = 1$ ),
- $D_n$  is connected  $\Leftrightarrow n$  is odd.



# Topic 1 - flat connected finite quandles (1/6)

## Motivation

- “Maximal flats” in symmetric spaces play fundamental roles.
- We would like to have an analogous notion for quandles.

## Result of this section

- We define the notion of “flatness” for quandles.
- Thm.: flat connected finite quandles  $\Rightarrow$  “discrete tori”.

## Def. (Ishihara-T. 2016)

A quandle  $(X, s)$  is **flat** if

- $G^0(X, s) := \langle \{s_x \circ s_y \mid x, y \in X\} \rangle$  is abelian.

# Topic 1 - flat connected finite quandles (2/6)

## Fact

A Riemannian symmetric space  $M$  is flat (i.e.,  $\text{curv} \equiv 0$ ) iff

- $G^0(M) := \langle \{s_x \circ s_y \mid x, y \in M\} \rangle$  is abelian.

## Ex.

For a circle  $S^1$ ,

- $\text{Isom}(S^1) = O(2)$  is not abelian,
- $G^0(S^1) = SO(2)$  is abelian.

Rem. (Jedlicka-Pilitowska-Stanovsky-ZamojskaDzienio 2015)

A quandle  $(X, s)$  is **medial** if

- $\langle \{s_x \circ s_y^{-1} \mid x, y \in M\} \rangle$  is abelian.

# Topic 1 - flat connected finite quandles (3/6)

## Recall

- $D_n$  : a dihedral quandle of order  $n$ .
- $D_n$  is connected  $\Leftrightarrow n$  is odd.

## Thm. (Ishihara-T. 2016)

$(X, s)$  is a flat connected finite quandle iff

- $X \cong D_{n_1} \times \cdots \times D_{n_k}$ , where  $n_1, \dots, n_k$  are odd.

# Topic 1 - flat connected finite quandles (4/6)

## What are interesting (1):

- We call  $D_{n_1} \times \cdots \times D_{n_k}$  a “dicrete torus”.
- Our result is a “discrete verion” of

Fact: a cpt connected Riem. symmetric space is flat  $\Leftrightarrow$  torus.

## What are interesting (2):

- $(X, s)$  : flat connected finite  $\Rightarrow$  involutive (i.e.,  $s_x^2 = \text{id}$ ).
- This is not true for flat “homogeneous” finite quandles...

# Topic 1 - flat connected finite quandles (5/6)

## Idea of Proof

We refer to the theory of symmetric spaces:

- (1) In the theory of symmetric spaces, there is a notion of “symmetric pairs”  $(G, K, \sigma)$ .
- (2) Analogously, for homogeneous quandles, there is a notion of “quandle triplet”  $(G, K, \sigma)$ .
- (3) If a quandle  $(X, s)$  is connected, then we can take  $G := G^0(X, s)$ .
- (4) Since  $(X, s)$  is flat and finite,  $G$  is a finite abelian group.
- (5) We can analyze possibilities for  $K$  and  $\sigma$ .

# Topic 1 - flat connected finite quandles (6/6)

## Comments (Singh 2016 (JKTR))

- Flat connected (infinite) quandles are classified.

## Topic 2 - flat homogeneous finite quandles (1/7)

### Motivation

- Recall: a quandle is connected  $\Rightarrow$  homogeneous.
- a discrete torus with even cardinality  $\Rightarrow$  flat homogeneous (disconnected) finite.
- Are there other such examples?

### Result of this section

- We construct such examples from “vertex-transitive graph”.
- Some of them also relate to “oriented real Grassmannians”.

## Topic 2 - flat homogeneous finite quandles (2/7)

Ex.

Let  $A^n := \{\pm e_1, \dots, \pm e_n\} \subset S^{n-1}$ . Then

- $A^n$  is a subquandle,
- $A^n$  is flat, homogeneous, disconnected.

### Idea of Proof

Flat:

- $s_{e_1} = \text{diag}(1, -1, \dots, -1)$ .
- Similarly, all  $s_{\pm e_i}$  can be realized by diagonal matrices.
- Hence,  $\text{Inn}(A^n)$  itself is abelian.

Disconnected:

- $\forall x \in A^n$ ,  $s_x$  preserves  $\{\pm e_1\}, \{\pm e_2\}, \dots, \{\pm e_n\}$ .



## Topic 2 - flat homogeneous finite quandles (3/7)

Ex.

Let  $A(k, n) := \{\pm e_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{i_k} \mid i_1 < \cdots < i_k\} \subset G_k(\mathbb{R}^n)^\sim$ . Then

- $A(k, n)$  is a subquandle,
- $A(k, n)$  is flat, homogeneous, disconnected.

### Idea of Proof

Flat:

- $\forall x \in A(k, n)$ ,  $s_x$  can be realized by diagonal matrices.

Disconnected:

- $\forall x \in A(k, n)$ ,  $s_x$  preserves  $\{\pm e_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge e_k\}, \dots$

## Topic 2 - flat homogeneous finite quandles (4/7)

### Observation

For  $A(2, 4) \subset G_2(\mathbb{R}^4)^\sim$  (for simplicity), put  $(ij) := e_i \wedge e_j$ . Then

- $\{\pm(12)\} \sqcup \{\pm(13)\} \sqcup \{\pm(14)\} \sqcup \{\pm(23)\} \sqcup \{\pm(24)\} \sqcup \{\pm(34)\}$  is the  $\text{Inn}(A(2, 4))$ -orbit decomposition,
- $s_{(12)} \curvearrowright \{\pm(13)\}$  : nontrivial,
- $s_{(12)} \curvearrowright \{\pm(34)\}$  : trivial.

### Idea for a generalization

The above defines a graph:

- $V := \{\text{Inn}(A(2, 4))\text{-orbits}\}$ .
- Define  $\{\pm(ij)\} \sim \{\pm(kl)\}$  if  $s_{(ij)} \curvearrowright \{\pm(kl)\}$  nontrivially.

Conversely, we can define a quandle for a graph.

## Topic 2 - flat homogeneous finite quandles (5/7)

### Prop. (Furuki-T.)

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph.

Then  $Q_G := (V \times \mathbb{Z}_2, s)$  is a quandle, where

- $s_{(v,a)}(w, b) := (w, b + e(v, w))$ ,  
with  $e(v, w) := 1$  (if  $v \sim w$ ), and  $e(v, w) := 0$  (otherwise).

### Ex

- $G$  : empty graph ( $E = \emptyset$ )  $\Rightarrow Q_G$  : trivial quandle.
- $G$  : complete graph (with  $\#V = n$ )  $\Rightarrow Q_G \cong A^n (\subset S^{n-1})$ .

## Topic 2 - flat homogeneous finite quandles (6/7)

### Thm. (Furuki-T.)

- $Q_G$  is always flat, disconnected.
- $Q_G$  is homogeneous  $\Leftrightarrow G$  is vertex-transitive.

### Note

- $\exists$  many flat homogeneous (disconnected) finite quandles.
- $A(k, n) (\subset G_k(\mathbb{R}^n)^\sim)$  is isomorphic to  $Q_G$  for some  $G$ .

## Topic 2 - flat homogeneous finite quandles (7/7)

### Plan (vs. symmetric spaces)

- Draw the graph  $G$  such that  $Q_G \cong A(k, n) \dots$  (complicated)
- $\exists$  such subquandles in other symmetric spaces?

### Plan (vs. quandle theory)

- Classify flat homogeneous finite quandles.
- In progress (1): construction from “oriented graphs”.
- In progress (2): construction from graphs with attaching  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \dots$

## Topic 3 - some commutativity of quandles (1/4)

### Motivation

- $A^n \subset S^{n-1}$ ,  $A(k, n) \subset G_k(\mathbb{R}^n) \sim$  are interesting.
- We would like to characterize them!

### Results (in progress)

- It would be good to consider “maximal commutative subsets”.
- This probably relates to “antipodal sets”.

## Topic 3 - some commutativity of quandles (2/4)

### Def.

A subset  $A$  in a quandle  $(X, s)$  is  **$s$ -commutative** if

- $\forall a, b \in A, s_a \circ s_b = s_b \circ s_a$ .

### Note

- We are interested in “maximal  $s$ -commutative subsets”.
- This is a temporal name ...

### Prop. (cf. Nagashiki)

- antipodal (i.e.,  $s_a(b) = b$ )  $\Rightarrow$   $s$ -commutative.  
 $(\because s_a \circ s_b = s_{s_a(b)} \circ s_a)$
- maximal  $s$ -commutative  $\Rightarrow$  subquandle.

## Topic 3 - some commutativity of quandles (3/4)

### Prop. (cf. Nagashiki)

- $A \subset S^n$  with  $n \geq 1$  is maximal  $s$ -commutative  
 $\Leftrightarrow A \cong A^{n-1}$  (defined above) by  $\text{Aut}(S^n)$ .
- $A \subset \mathbb{R}P^n$  with  $n \geq 2$  is maximal  $s$ -commutative  
 $\Leftrightarrow A$  is maximal (great) antipodal.

### Natural Question

- How about the case of  $G_k(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $G_k(\mathbb{R}^n)^\sim$ , ... ?



## Topic 3 - some commutativity of quandles (4/4)

- MsC := maximal  $s$ -commutative.

### Plan (vs. symmetric spaces)

- Determine MsC subsets in (some) symmetric spaces.
- When MsC is homogeneous? unique? antipodal?
- Can we apply MsC to the studies on antipodal sets?

### Plan (vs. quandle theory)

- $\exists$  nice (intrinsic) properties of MsC subsets?
- When MsC is homogeneous? unique? antipodal?
- Establish the “covering theory” of quandles.

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Thank you!