

## Webs with Rotation and Reflection Properties and their Relations with Certain Loops

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*Abstract.* In a web one can define in a natural way reflections in generators and a kind of rotations in points. The structure of the webs and the corresponding loops in which some of these maps are automorphisms will be studied in a synthetic way.

### 1 Introduction and Notations

Let  $\mathcal{W} := (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{G}_3)$  be a web, i.e. a nonempty set  $\mathcal{P}$  and three subsets  $\mathcal{G}_i$  of the power set  $\mathfrak{P}(\mathcal{P})$  of  $\mathcal{P}$  such that

**W1**  $\forall x \in \mathcal{P}, \forall i \in \{1, 2, 3\}, \exists_1 [x]_i \in \mathcal{G}_i : x \in [x]_i,$

**W2**  $\forall i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}, i \neq j, \forall A \in \mathcal{G}_i, \forall B \in \mathcal{G}_j : |A \cap B| = 1,$

and let  $\mathcal{G} := \mathcal{G}_1 \cup \mathcal{G}_2 \cup \mathcal{G}_3$ . In this paper we let  $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ i & j & k \end{smallmatrix}\right) \in S_3$ , i.e.  $\{1, 2, 3\} = \{i, j, k\}$ , unless specified otherwise, and for  $x, y \in \mathcal{P}$  let

$$x \square_{ij} y := [x]_i \cap [y]_j \quad \text{and} \quad x \square y := x \square_{12} y.$$

Each automorphism  $\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W}) := \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G})$ , respectively  $\beta \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_i \cup \mathcal{G}_j)$  induces a permutation  $\alpha' \in S_3$ , respectively  $\beta' \in S_2$  defined by  $\alpha([x]_l) = [\alpha(x)]_{\alpha'(l)}$ ,  $l \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , respectively  $\beta([x]_l) = [\beta(x)]_{\beta'(l)}$ ,  $l \in \{i, j\}$ . We set

$$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_i \cup \mathcal{G}_j)^+ := \{\beta \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_i \cup \mathcal{G}_j) \mid \beta' = \text{id}\},$$

$$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_i \cup \mathcal{G}_j)^- := \{\beta \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_i \cup \mathcal{G}_j) \mid \beta' = (i, j)\}$$

and

$$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})^+ := \{\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W}) \mid \alpha' = \text{id}\}.$$

By **W1** and **W2** each automorphism  $\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$  is completely determined by its action on two generators  $A \in \mathcal{G}_i, B \in \mathcal{G}_j$  or on one generator and the corresponding permutation  $\alpha' \in S_3$ .

A subset  $C \subset \mathcal{P}$  is called an *i-chain* if for each  $Y \in \mathcal{G}_j \cup \mathcal{G}_k$  the intersection  $Y \cap C$  consists of a single point. Let  $\mathcal{C}_i := \{C \in \mathfrak{P}(\mathcal{P}) \mid \forall X \in \mathcal{G} \setminus \mathcal{G}_i : |C \cap X| = 1\}$

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be the set of all  $i$ -chains, then  $\mathcal{G}_i \subset \mathcal{C}_i$ . To each chain  $C \in \mathcal{C}_i$ , in particular to each generator there corresponds a *reflection*

$$\tilde{C} : \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}; x \mapsto [x]_j \cap C \cap [x]_k \cap [x]_k \cap C \cap [x]_j,$$

i.e. an involution of the set  $\mathcal{P}$  fixing exactly the points of  $C$  and interchanging the generators of  $\mathcal{G}_j$  and  $\mathcal{G}_k$ , i.e.  $\tilde{C} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_j \cup \mathcal{G}_k)$ .  $\tilde{C}$  will be called a *chain reflection* (of type  $i$ ). Then by [5, (2.3, 2.4, 2.5)] we have:

**1.1**  $\forall C, D \in \mathcal{C}_i, \forall 0 \in \mathcal{P}$  :

- (1)  $\tilde{C} \circ \tilde{C} = \text{id}$ ,  $\text{Fix } \tilde{C} = C$ ,  $\tilde{C}(D) \in \mathcal{C}_i$ , and  $\tilde{C}(\tilde{D}) = \tilde{C} \circ \tilde{D} \circ \tilde{C}$ ,
- (2)  $\forall X \in \mathcal{G}_j : \tilde{C}(X) \in \mathcal{G}_k, \forall Y \in \mathcal{G}_k : \tilde{C}(Y) \in \mathcal{G}_j$ , hence  $\tilde{C} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_j \cup \mathcal{G}_k)^-$ ,
- (3)  $[\tilde{0}]_i([0]_j) = [0]_k$ ,
- (4)  $\forall \alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_j \cup \mathcal{G}_k)^-$  with  $\alpha^2 = \text{id} : \text{Fix } \alpha \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $\text{Fix } \alpha = \alpha$ .

Two chains  $A, B \in \mathcal{C}_i$  are called *orthogonal* and denoted by  $A \perp B$  if  $A \not\subseteq B$  and  $\tilde{A}(B) = B$ . We set  $A^\perp := \{X \in \mathcal{C}_i \mid X \perp A\}$ . By (1.1.3),  $[\tilde{0}]_j \circ [\tilde{0}]_i \circ [\tilde{0}]_k([0]_i) = [0]_i$ . If  $[\tilde{0}]_j \circ [\tilde{0}]_i \circ [\tilde{0}]_k|_{[0]_i} = \text{id}|_{[0]_i}$ , then  $\mathcal{W}$  is called *hexagonal* with respect to 0.

Besides the reflections in chains or generators one can define in a web  $\mathcal{W}$  in a natural way a kind of local maps called *rotations*: If  $\gamma$  is one of the cyclic permutations  $(132)$  or  $(123) \in A_3$  and if  $0 \in \mathcal{P}$  is a point of the web  $\mathcal{W}$ , let  $\gamma_0$  be the permutation of the set  $[0] := [0]_1 \cup [0]_2 \cup [0]_3$  defined by

$$\gamma_0(x) = [0]_{\gamma(i)} \cap [x]_{\gamma^{-1}(i)} \text{ for } x \in [0]_i, i \in \{1, 2, 3\}.$$

**1.2** Let  $\gamma := (132)$  or  $(123) \in A_3$ . Then for each  $0 \in \mathcal{P}$ , the group  $\langle \gamma_0 \rangle$  generated by the rotation  $\gamma_0$  is a subgroup of the permutation group  $\text{Sym}([0])$  and we have:

- (1)  $\text{Fix}(\gamma_0) = \{0\}$  and  $(\gamma_0)^2(x) = [\tilde{0}]_{\gamma(i)}(x)$  for  $x \in [0]_i, i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,
- (2)  $(\gamma_0)^6 = \text{id} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to 0,
- (3)  $(\gamma_0)^6 = \text{id} \Leftrightarrow (\gamma_0)^2 = \begin{cases} [\tilde{0}]_1 \circ [\tilde{0}]_2|_{[0]} & \text{if } \gamma = (132) \\ [\tilde{0}]_2 \circ [\tilde{0}]_1|_{[0]} & \text{if } \gamma = (123) \end{cases}$

Note that  $(\gamma_0)^{-1} = (\gamma^{-1})_0$  and that  $\gamma_0$  induces on the set  $\{[0]_1, [0]_2, [0]_3\}$  the permutation  $\gamma$ , while  $(\gamma_0)^2$  induces  $\gamma^{-1}$ , and  $(\gamma_0)^3$  and  $(\gamma_0)^6$  the identity. If there is an automorphism  $\omega$  of the web  $\mathcal{W}$  such that the restriction  $\omega|_{[0]}$  coincides with one of the maps  $(\gamma_0)^6, (\gamma_0)^3, (\gamma_0)^2$  or  $\gamma_0$ , then  $\omega$  is unique by (2.8) and is called the *automorphic extension* and we say that the point 0 is  $n$ -extendable for  $n \in \{1, 2, 3, 6\}$  if  $\omega|_{[0]} = (\gamma_0)^{\frac{6}{n}}$ . Clearly if  $\omega|_{[0]} = \gamma_0$ , then  $\omega^2|_{[0]} = (\gamma_0)^2$  and  $\omega^3|_{[0]} = (\gamma_0)^3$ , i.e. if 0  $\in \mathcal{P}$  is 6-extendable, then also 1-, 2- and 3-extendable, and if 0 is 2- and 3-extendable, then also 6-extendable. If for  $n \in \{1, 2, 3, 6\}$  a point  $0 \in \mathcal{P}$  is  $n$ -extendable and if moreover  $(\gamma_0)^6 = \text{id}$ , i.e. the web  $\mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect

to 0 by the above (1.2), then 0 is called *n-rotational*. Moreover if each point of a web  $\mathcal{W}$  is *n-extendable*, respectively *n-rotational*, then  $\mathcal{W}$  is called a *n-extendable*, respectively *n-rotational web*.

From the definition it follows that  $\gamma_0$  and  $(\gamma_0)^2$  are distinct from the identity on  $[0]$ , but for  $(\gamma_0)^3$  this is not provable. We call 0 a *characteristic 2 point* if  $(\gamma_0)^3 = \text{id}$ . Clearly if 0 is a characteristic 2 point, then  $\mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to 0 and 0 is trivially 2-rotational and if moreover 0 is 3-rotational, then also 6-rotational.

*Remarks.* 1. We have  $(\gamma_0)^{-1} = (\gamma_0)^2 \Leftrightarrow (\gamma_0)^3 = \text{id} \Leftrightarrow \gamma_0$  has the order 3  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to 0 in the following way: Let  $(a, b, c, d) \in \mathcal{P}^4$ . If  $[a]_i = [b]_i$ ,  $[b]_j = [c]_j$ ,  $[c]_i = [d]_i$  and  $[d]_j = [a]_j$ , then  $(a, b, c, d)$  is called a *parallelogram*, if moreover  $[a]_k = [c]_k$ , respectively  $[a]_k = [c]_k$  and  $[b]_k = [d]_k$ , then  $(a, b, c, d)$  is called a parallelogram with a diagonal, respectively a Fano-parallelogram. Hexagonal with respect to 0 means: Each parallelogram  $(a, b, c, d)$  with  $0 \in \{a, b, c, d\}$  and with a diagonal is a Fano-parallelogram.

2. If  $\mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to 0, then  $\gamma_0$  has either the order 6 or 3. If  $\gamma_0$  has order 6, then  $(\gamma_0)^3$  is involutory and we call  $(\gamma_0)^3$  a *quasi-reflection* with respect to 0.

The map  $\gamma_0$  belongs to the group  $\Sigma_0 := \{\sigma \in \text{Sym}[0] \mid \exists \sigma' \in S_3 : \forall i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : \sigma([0]_i) = [0]_{\sigma'(i)}\}$ . For all  $\sigma \in \Sigma_0$  and  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  we associate in a natural way permutations  $\sigma_{i,j}$  and  $\sigma_i$  of the whole point set  $\mathcal{P}$  (cf. (2.6)).

*Remark.* In [1, Chap.V] BELOUSOV considers the maps  $(\gamma_0)_1$  and  $((\gamma_0)^3)_1$ , and calls  $(\gamma_0)_1$  rotation if  $(\gamma_0)_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $((\gamma_0)^3)_1$  central symmetry if  $((\gamma_0)^3)_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ .

We recall, fixing a point  $0 \in \mathcal{P}$ , the set  $E := [0]_k$  can be turned via a *loop-derivation*  $L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$  into a loop  $(E, +)$ , where 0 is the neutral element of  $(E, +)$ . The binary operation "+" of  $L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$  is given by (cf. [5])

$$+ : \begin{cases} E \times E \rightarrow E \\ (x, y) \rightarrow x + y := \left[ \left[ [0]_i \cap [x]_j \right]_k \cap [y]_i \right]_j \cap E. \end{cases}$$

A bijection  $\square_{ij} : E \times E \rightarrow E; (x, y) \rightarrow x \square_{ij} y$  is a coordinatization of  $\mathcal{W}$ .

For a loop  $(E, +)$  we define:  $\forall a \in E$ , let  $a^+ : E \rightarrow E; x \mapsto a + x$ ,  $-a := (a^+)^{-1}(0)$ , and  $\sim a$  the solution of  $x + a = 0$ , i.e.  $-a$  is the right inverse of  $a$  and  $\sim a$  the left inverse. Instead of  $a + (-b)$  we write  $a - b$ . Also  $\forall a, b \in E$ , let

$$\delta_{a,b} := ((a + b)^+)^{-1} \circ a^+ \circ b^+ \quad \text{and} \quad \nu : E \rightarrow E; x \mapsto -x.$$

A loop  $(E, +)$  is called a *Bol-loop* if for all  $a, b \in E$ ,  $a^+ \circ b^+ \circ a^+ = (a + (b + a))^+$ . And a Bol-loop is called a *Bruck-loop* if  $\nu \in \text{Aut}(E, +)$  and *Moufang-loop* if  $\nu$  is an antiautomorphism (cf. [8] p.4, 5). Between a web  $\mathcal{W}$  and a loop derivation  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$  we have by (2.5) the connection:  $[0]_j \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W}) \Leftrightarrow \nu$  is an antiautomorphism of  $(E, +)$ .

We will need the following configurational statements: By the *local Thomsen condition*  $(T, 0; i, j)$  we understand:

**(T, 0; i, j)**  $\forall x \in [0]_i, \forall y \in [0]_j : [0]_k \cap [[x]_k \cap [y]_i]_j \cap [[y]_k \cap [x]_j]_i \neq \emptyset$ ,

and by the *local Reidemeister condition*  $(R, 0, i)$

**(R, 0, i)** Let  $p, q \in [0]_i$ ,  $p_k := [0]_k \cap [p]_j$ ,  $q_j := [0]_j \cap [q]_k$ ,  $p' := [p]_k \cap [q]_j$  and  $q' := [q]_j \cap [p]_k$ , then  $[[p']_k \cap [0]_j]_i = [[q']_j \cap [0]_k]_i$ ,

where  $\{i, j, k\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

$(T, 0; i, j)$ , respectively  $(R, 0, i)$  is the specialization of the Thomsen-**TH**, respectively Reidemeister-**RE** condition (cf. [7, p. 80, 81], [11], [12]).

We will show in Theorem (3.2) that a point 0 of  $\mathcal{W}$  is 3-extendable if there is an  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  such that  $(R, 0, i)$  is satisfied. Hence by (1.2) we obtain that 0 is 3-rotational if  $\mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to 0 and  $(R, 0, i)$  is satisfied. For the loop derivation  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$  this is equivalent to:  $\forall a, b \in E : -(a+b)+a = -b$  (cf. (3.3)). Then we make the assumption that the web  $\mathcal{W}$  contains 2-extendable, respectively 2-rotational points. By (2.7), (3.6), the remarks on (3.6) and the results of [5, section 6] we have:

**1.3 Theorem.** *For a point 0 of a web  $\mathcal{W}$  the following properties (1), (2), (3) and (4), respectively (5) and (6), respectively (7) and (8) are equivalent:*

- (1) 0 is a 2-extendable point,
- (2) For  $(E, +) = L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $i \neq j$  the map  $\nu$  is an automorphism of  $(E, +)$  (cf. (3.6)),
- (3) The bend-configuration  $BE(0; \text{id})$  closes, i.e.  $\forall p \in \mathcal{P}$  :

$$\begin{aligned} & [[ [[ [p]_1 \cap [0]_3 ]_2 \cap [0]_1 ]_3 \cap [0]_2 ]_1 \cap [ [ [ [p]_2 \cap [0]_1 ]_3 \cap [0]_2 ]_1 \cap [0]_3 ]_2 ]_2 \cap \\ & \quad [ [ [ [p]_3 \cap [0]_2 ]_1 \cap [0]_3 ]_2 \cap [0]_1 ]_3 ]_3 \neq \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

(cf. [5, (6.3)]),

- (4) If  $\mathcal{W}$  is coordinatized by  $(E, +) = L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$ , then the map

$$x \square_{ij} y \mapsto (-x) \square_{ij} (-y) \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W}).$$

- (5) 0 is a 2-rotational point,
- (6) For  $(E, +) = L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$ ,  $\nu$  is an involutory automorphism of  $(E, +)$ ,
- (7) 0 is a characteristic 2 point,
- (8) For  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$ ,  $\nu$  is the identity.

By Theorem (3.8) a point 0 is then 6-extendable if the local Thomsen condition  $(T, 0; i, j)$  is valid and on the algebraic side that means:  $\forall a, b \in (E, +) : b + (a - b) = a$ , i.e.  $(E, +)$  is a crossed-inverse loop by the terminology of Bruck [2]. The similar result of (3.8) is in [1, Theorem 5.4]. Moreover we also obtain Theorem (3.9) which states the property of the orbit  $[p]^i := \{\tilde{X}(p) \mid X \in \mathcal{G}_i\}$  of a point  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , related to a 2-rotational point, if there is an  $E \in \mathcal{G}_i$  with  $\tilde{E} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ .

## 2 Local Symmetries

In our web  $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{G}_3)$ , we consider two generators  $A, B \in \mathcal{G}_i$  of the same type. Then by (1.1)  $\tilde{A} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_j \cup \mathcal{G}_k)$  if  $\{j, k\} = \{1, 2, 3\} \setminus \{i\}$  and  $\tilde{A}(B) \in \mathcal{G}_i$ , but in general  $\tilde{A}(B)$  is not contained in  $\mathcal{G}_i$ . Therefore

**2.1** Let  $A \in \mathcal{G}_i$ , then

- (1)  $\tilde{A} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{A} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_i)$ ,
- (2) If  $\tilde{A} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_i)$ , then  $\mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to each point  $x \in A$ .

For the following let  $0 \in \mathcal{P}$  be fixed, let  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; 1, 2)$  be the corresponding loop, and note that  $\square := \square_1 2$ . Then we have:

**2.2**  $\mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to  $0$  if and only if  $\forall a \in E : -a + a = 0$ .

Now we consider the map  $\tilde{E}$ . Since  $x = b \square c$ , we obtain  $\tilde{E}(x) = c \square b$ ,  $\tilde{E}(0 \square a) = a \square 0$  and we have:  $\tilde{E} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_3) \Leftrightarrow c \square b \in [a \square 0]_3 \Leftrightarrow b = \sim a + c = \sim a + (a + b)$ .

For  $b = -a$  we obtain  $-a = \sim a$  and so:

**2.3**  $\tilde{E} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_3) \Leftrightarrow \forall a, b \in E : b = -a + (a + b)$ , i.e.  $\forall a \in E : \delta_{-a, a} = \text{id}$ .

Next we consider the map  $\phi := [\tilde{0}]_1$ . By  $x = [0 \square c]_2 \cap [0 \square a]_3$ ,  $b = [0 \square b]_2 \cap [0]_3$  we have:  $\phi(x) = [0 \square c]_3 \cap [0 \square a]_2 = [0 \square c]_3 \cap [a]_2$  and  $\phi(b) = [0 \square b]_3 \cap [0]_2 = (-b) \square 0$ . Since  $[b]_1 = [x]_1$ , we have:  $\phi \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_1) \Leftrightarrow \phi(x) = [0 \square c]_3 \cap [a]_2 \in [-b \square 0]_1 = [-b]_1 \Leftrightarrow a = c + (-b) = (a + b) - b$ . This gives us the result:

**2.4**  $[\tilde{0}]_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_1) \Leftrightarrow \forall a, b \in E : (a + b) - b = a$ .

Finally we study the map  $\psi := [\tilde{0}]_2$ . Here we have  $x = [-a \square 0]_3 \cap [b \square 0]_1$ , hence  $\psi(x) = [-a \square 0]_1 \cap [b \square 0]_3 = [-a]_1 \cap [0 \square \sim b]_3$  and  $c = [0]_3 \cap [c \square 0]_1$ , hence  $\psi(c) = [0]_1 \cap [c \square 0]_3 = [0]_1 \cap [0 \square \sim c]_3$ . This implies  $[\sim b + (-a)]_2 = [\psi(x)]_2$  and  $[\sim c]_2 = [\sim(a + b)]_2 = [\psi(c)]_2 = [\psi(a + b)]_2$ . Since  $[x]_2 = [a + b]_2$ , we have:  $\psi \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_2) \Leftrightarrow [\sim b + (-a)]_2 = [\sim(a + b)]_2 \Leftrightarrow \sim b + (-a) = \sim(a + b)$ . For  $b = 0$  we obtain  $-a = \sim a$  and so:

**2.5**  $[\tilde{0}]_2 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_2) \Leftrightarrow \forall a, b \in E : -(a + b) = -b + (-a)$ , i.e.  $v$  is an antiautomorphism.

Now we study the following question: Let  $\sigma$  be one of the permutations of the set  $\{(\gamma_0)^i, [0]_i |_{[0]} \mid i \in \{1, 2, 3\}\}$  of  $\text{Sym}[0]$ , where  $\gamma_0$  was introduced in Section 1 (cf. (1.2)). When is  $\sigma$  extendable to an automorphism  $\bar{\sigma}$  of  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G})$ ? These maps belong to the class  $\Sigma_0$  of permutations of the set  $[0] = [0]_1 \cup [0]_2 \cup [0]_3$  defined by  $\Sigma_0 := \{\sigma \in \text{Sym}[0] \mid \forall i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : \sigma([0]_i) \in \{[0]_1, [0]_2, [0]_3\}\}$ . To each  $\sigma \in \Sigma_0$  there correspond the following permutations  $\sigma_{ij}$  and  $\sigma_i$  of the set  $\mathcal{P}$ : Let  $\sigma' \in S_3$  be defined by  $\sigma([0]_i) = [0]_{\sigma'(i)}$  and let  $i' := \sigma'(i)$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , then

$$\sigma_{i,j} : \begin{cases} \mathcal{P} = [0]_i \square_{j_i} [0]_j \rightarrow \mathcal{P} = [0]_{i'} \square_{j'_{i'}} [0]_{j'} \\ x \square_{j_i} y \rightarrow \sigma(x) \square_{j'_{i'}} \sigma(y) \end{cases},$$

and

$$\sigma_i : \begin{cases} \mathcal{P} = [0]_i \square_{j_k} [0]_i \rightarrow \mathcal{P} = [0]_{i'} \square_{j'_{k'}} [0]_{i'} \\ x \square_{j_k} y \rightarrow \sigma(x) \square_{j'_{k'}} \sigma(y) \end{cases}.$$

Note that  $\sigma_3$  is equal to the extension  $\bar{\sigma}$  considered in the Extension Theorem (2.8) of [5]. Then  $\sigma_{ij}$ , respectively  $\sigma_i$  is an extension of  $\sigma |_{[0]_i \cup [0]_j}$ , respectively  $\sigma |_{[0]_i}$  onto  $\mathcal{P}$ . And the generators  $X \in \mathcal{G}_i$ ,  $Y \in \mathcal{G}_j$ ,  $Z \in \mathcal{G}_k$  have the images: If  $x_j := X \cap$

$[0]_j, x_k := X \cap [0]_k, y_i := Y \cap [0]_i, y_k := Y \cap [0]_k, z_i := Z \cap [0]_i, z_j := Z \cap [0]_j,$   
then

$$\begin{aligned} X &= [x_j]_i = [0]_i \square_{ji} x_j, \\ Y &= [y_i]_j = y_i \square_{ji} [0]_j = [0]_j \square_{ij} y_i = y_i \square_{jk} [0]_i, \\ Z &= [z_i]_k = z_i \square_{kj} [0]_i = [0]_i \square_{jk} z_i, \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{ij}(X) &= [0]_{i'} \square_{j'i'} \sigma(x_j) = [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'} \in \mathfrak{G}_{i'}, \\ \sigma_{ij}(Y) &= \sigma(y_i) \square_{j'i'} [0]_{j'} = [\sigma(y_i)]_{j'} \in \mathfrak{G}_{j'}, \\ \sigma_i(Y) &= \sigma_i(y_i \square_{jk} [0]_i) = \sigma(y_i) \square_{j'k'} [0]_{i'} = [\sigma(y_i)]_{j'} \in \mathfrak{G}_{j'}, \\ \sigma_i(Z) &= [0]_{i'} \square_{j'k'} \sigma(z_i) = [\sigma(z_i)]_{k'} \in \mathfrak{G}_{k'}. \end{aligned}$$

So we have proved:

**2.6** For all  $\sigma \in \Sigma_0$ , the maps  $\sigma_{ij}$  and  $\sigma_k$  are isomorphisms from  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}_i, \mathfrak{G}_j)$  onto  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}_{i'}, \mathfrak{G}_{j'})$  with  $\sigma_{ij}|_{[0]_i \cup [0]_j} = \sigma|_{[0]_i \cup [0]_j}$ ,  $\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ji}$  and  $\sigma_k|_{[0]_k} = \sigma|_{[0]_k}$ .

Next we discuss when for  $\sigma \in \Sigma_0$  the maps  $\sigma_{ij}$  and  $\sigma_k$  are automorphisms of  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G})$ .

*Definition.* Let  $\sigma \in \Sigma_0$  and let  $(x, y) \in [0]_i \times [0]_j$ . Then  $\sigma$  is called *(i,j)-faithful* if  $x \square_{ji} y \in [0]_k \Rightarrow \sigma(x) \square_{j'i'} \sigma(y) \in [0]_{k'}$ , and *k-faithful* if  $[x]_k = [y]_k \Rightarrow [\sigma(x)]_{k'} = [\sigma(y)]_{k'}$ .

**2.7** For  $\sigma \in \Sigma_0$  we have

- (1)  $\sigma_{ij}([0]_k) \in \mathfrak{G} \Leftrightarrow \sigma$  is *(i,j)-faithful*,
- (2)  $\sigma_{ij}|_{\mathfrak{G}_i} = \sigma_{ik}|_{\mathfrak{G}_i} \Leftrightarrow \sigma$  is *i-faithful*,
- (3)  $\sigma_{ij}|_{[0]} = \sigma \Leftrightarrow \sigma$  is *(i,j)- and i-faithful*  $\Leftrightarrow \sigma$  is *i- and j-faithful*  $\Leftrightarrow \sigma_{ij}|_{\mathfrak{G}_i} = \sigma_{ik}|_{\mathfrak{G}_i} \wedge \sigma_{ji}|_{\mathfrak{G}_j} = \sigma_{jk}|_{\mathfrak{G}_j}$ ,
- (4)  $\sigma_{ij} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}) \Rightarrow \sigma$  is *(i,j)-faithful and k-faithful*,
- (5)  $\sigma_{ij} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}) \Leftrightarrow \forall a, b \in [0]_i \times [0]_j$  and  $c \in [0]_i$  with  $[c]_k = [a \square_{ji} b]_k : \sigma(a) \square_{j'i'} \sigma(b) \in [\sigma(c)]_{k'}$ ,
- (6)  $\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ik} \Leftrightarrow \sigma_{ij} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}) \wedge \sigma$  is *i-faithful*,
- (7)  $\sigma_k|_{[0]_i} = \sigma|_{[0]_i} \Leftrightarrow \sigma$  is *j-faithful*  $\Leftrightarrow \sigma_k|_{[0]_k \cup [0]_i} = \sigma_i|_{[0]_k \cup [0]_i} = \sigma|_{[0]_i \cup [0]_i}$ ,
- (8)  $\sigma_k|_{[0]} = \sigma \Leftrightarrow \sigma$  is *i- and j-faithful*  $\Leftrightarrow \sigma_{ij} = \sigma_k$ ,
- (9)  $\sigma_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}) \Leftrightarrow$  For  $a, b \in [0]_k, c \in [0]_i$  with  $[c]_k = [a \square_{ij} b]_k : [\sigma(c)]_{k'} = [\sigma(a) \square_{j'i'} \sigma(b)]_{k'}$ ,
- (10)  $\sigma_k = \sigma_j \Leftrightarrow \sigma_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}) \wedge \sigma$  is *i-faithful*,
- (11)  $\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_j \Leftrightarrow$  For  $a, b, c \in [0]_j$  with  $[c]_k \cap [0]_i \in [[a]_k \cap [b]_i]_j : \sigma([c]_k \cap [0]_i) \in [[\sigma(a)]_{k'} \cap [\sigma(b)]_{i'}]_{j'}$ .

*Proof.* (2) Let  $X \in \mathfrak{G}_i$  and  $x_j := X \cap [0]_j, x_k := X \cap [0]_k$ , hence  $X = [x_j]_i = [x_k]_i$ . Then by (2.6),  $\sigma_{ij}(X) = [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'}$ , and  $\sigma_{ik}(X) = [\sigma(x_k)]_{i'}$ . Hence  $\sigma_{ij}(X) = \sigma_{ik}(X) \Leftrightarrow [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'} = [\sigma(x_k)]_{i'} \Leftrightarrow \sigma$  is *i-faithful*.

(3) By (2.6),  $\sigma_{ij}|_{[0]} = \sigma \Leftrightarrow \sigma_{ij}|_{[0]_k} = \sigma|_{[0]_k}$ , which implies  $\sigma_{ij}([0]_k) = [0]_{k'}$ , hence by (1),  $\sigma$  is *(i, j)-faithful*. Now we assume that  $\sigma$  is *(i, j)-faithful*. Let

$x \in [0]_k, x_j := [x]_i \cap [0]_j$  hence  $x = [0]_k \cap [x_j]_i$  and  $[x]_i = [x_j]_i$ . Then  $\sigma_{ij}(x) = \sigma_{ij}([0]_k \cap [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'}) = [0]_{k'} \cap [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'} = \sigma(x) \Leftrightarrow [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'} = [\sigma(x)]_{i'}$ , hence  $\sigma$  is  $i$ -faithful, and clearly if  $\sigma$  is  $(i, j)$ -faithful and  $i$ -faithful, then also  $j$ -faithful. Finally let  $\sigma$  be  $i$ - and  $j$ -faithful and let  $x_i \in [0]_i, x_j \in [0]_j$  such that  $x := x_j \square_{ij} x_i \in [0]_k$ . Then  $[x]_i = [x_j]_i$  and  $[x]_j = [x_i]_j$ , and by the  $i$ - and  $j$ -faithful assumption,  $[\sigma(x)]_{i'} = [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'}$  and  $[\sigma(x)]_{j'} = [\sigma(x_i)]_{j'}$ . Therefore  $[0]_{k'} \ni \sigma(x) = [\sigma(x)]_{i'} \cap [\sigma(x)]_{j'} = [\sigma(x_j)]_{i'} \cap [\sigma(x_i)]_{j'} = \sigma(x_j) \square_{i'j'} \sigma(x_i)$ , i.e.  $\sigma$  is  $(i, j)$ -faithful. And the last equivalence is immediate from the above (2).

(6) Let  $\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ik}$ , then by (2.6),  $\sigma_{ij} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$  and by (2.7.2),  $\sigma$  is  $i$ -faithful. Now let  $\sigma_{ij} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$  and  $\sigma$  is  $i$ -faithful, and let  $p \in \mathcal{P}, p_j := [p]_i \cap [0]_j, p_i := [p]_j \cap [0]_i$  and  $q_k := [p]_i \cap [0]_k, q_i := [p]_k \cap [0]_i$ , hence  $p = [p]_i \cap [p]_j = [q_i]_k \cap [q_k]_i$  and  $[p]_j = [q_k]_i$ . Since  $\sigma$  is  $i$ -faithful,  $[\sigma(p)]_{i'} = [\sigma(q_k)]_{i'}$  and since  $\sigma_{ij} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ,  $\sigma_{ij}(p) = [\sigma(p_i)]_{j'} \cap [\sigma(p_j)]_{i'} \in [\sigma(q_i)]_{k'}$ , thus  $\sigma_{ij}(p) = [\sigma(q_i)]_{k'} \cap [\sigma(p_j)]_{i'} = [\sigma(q_i)]_{k'} \cap [\sigma(q_k)]_{i'} = \sigma_{ik}(p)$ .

(10) Let  $\sigma_k = \sigma_j$ , then  $\sigma_k|_{[0]_j} = \sigma_j|_{[0]_j} \stackrel{(2.6)}{=} \sigma|_{[0]_j}$ , i.e.  $\sigma$  is  $i$ -faithful by (2.7.7), and  $\sigma_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$  by (2.6). Now let  $\sigma_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$  and  $\sigma$   $i$ -faithful and let  $p \in \mathcal{P}, a_k := [p]_i \cap [0]_k, a_j := [p]_i \cap [0]_j, b_k := [p]_j \cap [0]_k$  and  $c_j := [p]_k \cap [0]_j$ . Then  $p = [a_k]_i \cap [b_k]_j = [a_j]_i \cap [c_j]_k$  and  $[a_k]_i = [a_j]_i$ . Since  $\sigma$  is  $i$ -faithful,  $[\sigma(a_k)]_{i'} = [\sigma(a_j)]_{i'}$ , and since  $\sigma_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ,  $\sigma_k(p) = [\sigma_k(c_j)]_{k'} \cap [\sigma(a_j)]_{i'}$ . Therefore  $\sigma_j(p) = [\sigma(a_j)]_{i'} \cap [\sigma(c_j)]_{k'} = \sigma_k(p)$  if  $\sigma(c_j) = \sigma_k(c_j)$ , i.e. if  $\sigma|_{[0]_j} = \sigma_k|_{[0]_j}$ , i.e. by (2.7.7) if  $\sigma$  is  $i$ -faithful.  $\square$

**2.8** For each  $\gamma \in A_3 \setminus \{\text{id}\}$  and each  $0 \in \mathcal{P}$  the map  $\gamma_0 \in \Sigma_0$  is 1-, 2- and 3-faithful by definition and so are the maps  $(\gamma_0)^2$  and  $(\gamma_0)^3$ . Therefore by (2.7.8) for  $\phi = (\gamma_0)^i \in \Sigma_0$  we have  $\phi = \phi_k|_{[0]_i}$  with  $\phi_{ij} = \phi_k$  and moreover by (2.7.10) if  $\phi_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ , then  $\phi_i = \phi_{ij}$  for all  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}, i \neq j$ , hence the automorphic extension  $\phi_k (= \phi_i = \phi_{ij})$  of  $\phi$  is unique.

### 3 Extensions of Local Symmetries and Some Orbits

Firstly we discuss when the maps  $\gamma_0, (\gamma_0)^2$  and  $(\gamma_0)^3$  are extendable. For the convenience, we set the maps  $0_6 := \gamma_0, 0_3 := (\gamma_0)^2$  and  $\tilde{0} := (\gamma_0)^3$ , where  $\gamma$  is taken as (132)  $\in A_3$ . We consider the maps  $[\tilde{0}]_i|_{[0]_i}$  and  $0_3$  in the following:

**3.1** Let  $\gamma = (132) \in S_3, i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $j := \gamma(i), k := \gamma(j)$ . Then:

- (1)  $([\tilde{0}]_i|_{[0]_i})_i = [\tilde{0}]_i,$
- (2)  $0_3|_{[0]_i} = [\tilde{0}]_j \circ [\tilde{0}]_k|_{[0]_i}$  and  $(0_3)_i = ([\tilde{0}]_j \circ [\tilde{0}]_k|_{[0]_i})_i,$
- (3)  $(0_3)_i = [\tilde{0}]_j \circ [\tilde{0}]_k \Leftrightarrow [\tilde{0}]_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_k) \Rightarrow (0_3)^3 = \text{id}|_{[0]_i},$
- (4) Let  $[\tilde{0}]_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_k)$ , hence  $(0_3)_i = [\tilde{0}]_j \circ [\tilde{0}]_k$  by (3). Then  $(0_3)_i$  is an isomorphism from  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_j \cup \mathfrak{g}_k)$  onto  $(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_j \cup \mathfrak{g}_k)$ , and  $(0_3)_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \Leftrightarrow [\tilde{0}]_j \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_j),$
- (5) If  $[\tilde{0}]_i, [\tilde{0}]_j \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ , then  $[\tilde{0}]_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_k)$  and  $(0_3)_i = (0_3)_j = (0_3)_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}),$  i.e.  $\mathcal{W}$  is 3-rotational with respect to 0.

*Proof.* (1) To  $[\widetilde{0}]_i|_{[0]}$  there corresponds the transposition  $(j, k)$ . Therefore, if  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $p_j := [p]_j \cap [0]_i$  and  $p_k := [p]_k \cap [0]_i$ , (hence  $p = p_j \square_{jk} p_k = [p_j]_j \cap [p_k]_k$ ), then  $([\widetilde{0}]_i|_{[0]})_i(p) = [p_j]_k \cap [p_k]_j = [\widetilde{0}]_i(p)$ .

(2) and (3) By (1.2.1),  $0_3([0]_i) = 0_6^2([0]_i) = [\widetilde{0}]_j \circ [\widetilde{0}]_k([0]_i)$  and to  $0_3$  and to  $\phi := [\widetilde{0}]_j \circ [\widetilde{0}]_k|_{[0]}$  there corresponds the same permutation  $\sigma$ . Thus  $(0_3)_i = ([\widetilde{0}]_j \circ [\widetilde{0}]_k|_{[0]})_i = (\phi)_i$  and (2) is completely proved. Now  $(\phi)_i(p) = [\phi(p_j)]_k \cap [\phi(p_k)]_i = [[\widetilde{0}]_k(p_j)]_k \cap [[\widetilde{0}]_k(p_k)]_i$  and  $[\widetilde{0}]_j \circ [\widetilde{0}]_k(p) = [[\widetilde{0}]_k(p_j)]_k \cap [q]_i$ , where  $q := [0]_j \cap [[\widetilde{0}]_k(p)]_k$ . We have

$$(\phi)_i(p) = [\widetilde{0}]_j \circ [\widetilde{0}]_k(p) \Leftrightarrow q = [\widetilde{0}]_k(p_k) \Leftrightarrow [\widetilde{0}]_k(p) \in [[\widetilde{0}]_k(p_k)]_k.$$

Since  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  is arbitrary and  $[p]_k = [p_k]_k$ , we obtain the equivalence of (3). If  $[\widetilde{0}]_k \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_k)$ , then  $\mathcal{W}$  is hexagonal with respect to 0 by (2.1) and we obtain  $(0_3)^3 = \text{id}_{[0]}$  by (1.2.2).

(4) Since  $[\widetilde{0}]_i(\mathfrak{g}_j) = \mathfrak{g}_k$  and  $[\widetilde{0}]_i(\mathfrak{g}_k) = \mathfrak{g}_j$ , we obtain  $(0_3)_i(\mathfrak{g}_j) = \mathfrak{g}_k$  and by assumption  $(0_3)_i(\mathfrak{g}_k) = [\widetilde{0}]_j \circ [\widetilde{0}]_k(\mathfrak{g}_k) = [\widetilde{0}]_j(\mathfrak{g}_k) = \mathfrak{g}_i$ . Therefore,  $(0_3)_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \Leftrightarrow (0_3)_i(\mathfrak{g}_i) = [0]_j \circ [0]_k(\mathfrak{g}_i) = [0]_j(\mathfrak{g}_j) = \mathfrak{g}_j \Leftrightarrow [0]_j \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_j)$ .

(5)  $[\widetilde{0}]_k \stackrel{(1.1)}{=} [\widetilde{0}]_i([\widetilde{0}]_j) \stackrel{(1.1)}{=} [\widetilde{0}]_i \circ [\widetilde{0}]_j \circ [\widetilde{0}]_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ .  $\square$

**3.2 Theorem.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(R, 0, 1)$  is satisfied,
- (2)  $(0_3)_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ,
- (3)  $\forall a, b \in E : \sim(a + b) + a = \sim b$ ,
- (4)  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : (R, 0, i)$  is satisfied,
- (5)  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : (0_3)_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ,
- (6) 0 is a 3-extendable point.

*Proof.* Let  $X \in \mathfrak{g}_1$  and  $q' \in X$  be given. We set  $E := [0]_3$  and construct:

$$\begin{aligned} p &:= [q']_3 \cap [0]_1, & a &:= p_3 := [p]_2 \cap E, & b &:= X \cap E, \\ q_2 &:= X \cap [0]_2, & q &:= [q_2]_3 \cap [0]_1. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $[q']_2 \cap [0]_3 = a + b$ ,  $q = 0 \square (\sim b)$ ,  $p' := [p_3]_1 \cap [q]_2 = a \square (\sim b)$  and  $r := [p']_3 \cap [0]_2 = [a \square (\sim b)]_3 \cap [0]_2$  and we have:  $[a + b]_1 = [[q']_2 \cap [0]_3]_1 = [r]_1 \Leftrightarrow r = (a + b) \square 0 \Leftrightarrow \sim(a + b) + a = \sim b$ . Moreover, let  $s := [q']_2 \cap [0]_1$ . Then  $q' = [p]_3 \cap [s]_2$ ,  $(0_3)(p) = a \square 0$ ,  $0_3(s) = (a + b) \square 0$ , hence  $(0_3)_1(q') = [a \square 0]_1 \cap [(a + b) \square 0]_3 = [a]_1 \cap [(a + b) \square 0]_3$  and  $q_2 := [q]_3 \cap [0]_2$ ,  $(0_3)(q) = \sim b \square 0$ ,  $0_3(0) = 0$ , hence  $(0_3)_1(q_2) = [\sim b \square 0]_1 \cap [0]_3 = \sim b$ . Therefore  $(0_3)_1(X) \in \mathfrak{g}_2 \Leftrightarrow (0_3)_1(X) = [\sim b]_2 \Leftrightarrow p' = [a]_1 \cap [(a + b) \square 0]_3$ , so  $(R, 0, 1) \Leftrightarrow \sim(a + b) + a = \sim b$ . Since  $(R, 0, i) \Leftrightarrow (R, 0, j)$ , we have the equivalence of statements (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5). Since  $0_3$  is 1-, 2- and 3-faithful, we have  $(0_3)_i|_{[0]} = 0_3$ , and so if (2) is assumed, then 0 is a 3-extendable point.  $\square$

If  $\mathcal{W}$  is 3-extendable and hexagonal with respect to 0, then it is 3-rotational with respect to 0. So by (2.2) and (3.2) we obtain:

**3.3** *The following statements are equivalent:*



- (1)  $\mathcal{W}$  is 3-rotational with respect to 0,
- (2) For  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j) : \forall a, b \in E : -(a + b) + a = -b$ .

### 3.4 Under the assumption

- (0)  $\forall a, b \in E : \sim(a + b) + a = \sim b$ ,

the following three assertions are equivalent:

- (1)  $\forall a, b \in E : (a + b) - b = a$ ,
- (2)  $\forall a, b \in E : -(a + b) = -b + (-a)$ ,
- (3)  $\forall a, b \in E : -a + (a + b) = b$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) If we set  $a := \sim b$ , then we obtain  $-b = \sim b$  from (1), and (0) resumes the form  $-(a + b) + a = -b$ . We substitute in (1)  $a$  to  $-b$ ,  $b$  to  $-a$  and obtain  $(-b - a) + a = -b$ . Together with (0) this implies  $-(a + b) = -b + (-a)$ .

Similarly applying  $-b = \sim b$ , we see that (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) and (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).  $\square$

From (2.3), (2.4), (2.5), (3.2) and (3.4) it follows

### 3.5 Let $\mathcal{W}$ be 3-extendable with respect to 0, then

- (1) The three assertions  $\widetilde{[0]}_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_i)$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  are equivalent,
- (2) If there is an  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  such that  $\widetilde{[0]}_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ , then  $\mathcal{W}$  is 3-rotational with respect to 0 (cf. (1) and (3.1)).

Next we study the turn  $\widetilde{0} = (0_6)^3$ .

### 3.6 The following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $\exists i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : \widetilde{[0]}_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ,
- (2)  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : \widetilde{[0]}_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g})$ ,
- (3)  $\forall x \in \mathcal{P} : \widetilde{[0]}_2 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_1 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_3([x]_1) \cap \widetilde{[0]}_3 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_2 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_1([x]_2) \cap \widetilde{[0]}_1 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_3 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_2([x]_3) \neq \phi$ ,
- (4) For  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; i, j)$ ,  $\nu \in \text{Aut}(E, +)$ .

*Proof.* The permutation corresponding to  $\widetilde{0}$  in  $S_3$  is the identity. Therefore  $\widetilde{[0]}_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}) \Leftrightarrow \widetilde{[0]}_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{g}_1) \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in \mathcal{P}$  if  $x_2 := [x]_2 \cap [0]_1$ ,  $x_3 := [x]_3 \cap [0]_1$ ,  $y := [x]_1 \cap [0]_3$ ,  $y_2 := [y]_2 \cap [0]_1$ , then  $\widetilde{[0]}(x_2)_2 \cap \widetilde{[0]}(x_3)_3 =: x' \in [[\widetilde{[0]}(y_2)]_2 \cap [0]_3]_1$ . This last statement is equivalent to (3). Consequently (1), (2) and (3) are equivalent. (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) Let  $x \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $a := [[x]_3 \cap [0]_1]_2 \cap [0]_3$ ,  $b := [x]_1 \cap [0]_3$  and  $c := [x]_2 \cap [0]_3$ . Then  $c = a + b$ ,  $-a = [[x]_3 \cap [0]_2]_1 \cap [0]_3$ ,  $-b = [[b]_2 \cap [0]_1]_3 \cap [0]_2]_1 \cap [0]_3$ ,  $-c = [[c]_2 \cap [0]_1]_3 \cap [0]_2]_1 \cap [0]_3$ , and  $-c = -a + (-b) \Leftrightarrow [-c]_2 \cap [-b]_1 \cap [-a]_2 \cap [0]_1]_3 \neq \phi$ . But  $\widetilde{[0]}_2 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_1 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_3([x]_1) = \widetilde{[0]}_2 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_1([b]_2) = [-b]_1$ ,  $\widetilde{[0]}_3 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_2 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_1([x]_2) = \widetilde{[0]}_3([c]_1) = [-c]_2$  and  $\widetilde{[0]}_1 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_3 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_2([x]_3) = \widetilde{[0]}_1 \circ \widetilde{[0]}_3([a]_1) = \widetilde{[0]}_1([-a]_2) = [-a]_2 \cap [0]_1]_3$ . This shows the equivalence of (3) and (4).  $\square$

*Remarks.* 1. The statement (3) of (3.6) expresses that the bend-configuration  $BE(0; \text{id})$  of [5, Section 6] closes.

2. From (2.8) and (3.6) it follows that the point 0 is 2-extendable if and only if for  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; 1, 2)$  the map  $\nu$  is an automorphism of  $(E, +)$ . If 0 is even

2-rotational then by (2.2),  $v^2 = \text{id}$ , and 0 is a characteristic 2 point if and only if  $v = \text{id}$ .

3. If a point  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  is 2-rotational then by (2.8),  $(\gamma_p)^3$  is uniquely extendable to an automorphism of  $\mathcal{W}$  which we denote by  $\tilde{p}$  and which we call *reflection in the point p*; we have then  $\tilde{p}' = \text{id}(\in S_3)$ ,  $p \in \text{Fix}(\tilde{p})$ ,  $\tilde{p}^2 = \text{id}$ , and  $\tilde{p} = \text{id} \Leftrightarrow p$  is a characteristic 2 point.

4. There are webs  $\mathcal{W}$  with 2-rotational points  $p$  such that  $\tilde{p} \neq \text{id}$  and  $|\text{Fix}(\tilde{p})| \geq 2$ .

Now we consider the map  $0_6 = (132)_0 \in \Sigma_0$  and ask when  $(0_6)_3 \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G})$ , i.e.  $(0_6)_3(\mathcal{G}_3) = \mathcal{G}_2$  is true. For the answer we need the following (3.7):

**3.7** *If  $(T, 0; i, j)$  is valid, then so is  $(T, 0; k, i)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in [0]_k$ ,  $y \in [0]_i$  and  $q := [0]_j \cap [[x]_j \cap [y]_k]_i$ . Then  $[y]_k \cap [q]_i = [x]_j \cap [y]_k$  shows  $[0]_k \cap [[y]_k \cap [q]_i]_j = [0]_k \cap [[x]_j \cap [y]_k]_j = [0]_k \cap [x]_j = \{x\}$ . By  $(T, 0; i, j)$ ,  $y \in [0]_i$  and  $q \in [0]_j$  imply  $\phi \neq [0]_k \cap [[y]_k \cap [q]_i]_j \cap [[q]_k \cap [y]_j]_i = \{x\} \cap [[q]_k \cap [y]_j]_i$ , i.e.  $x \in [[q]_k \cap [y]_j]_i$  and so  $q \in [[x]_i \cap [y]_j]_k$ . Hence the statement  $(T, 0; k, i)$  is valid.  $\square$

**3.8 Theorem.** *The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\exists i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : (0_6)_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G})$ ,
- (2)  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : (0_6)_i \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G})$ ,
- (3)  $(T, 0; 1, 2)$  is satisfied,
- (4)  $\forall a, b \in E : \sim b + (a + b) = a$ , i.e.,  $b + (a - b) = a$ , i.e.  $(E, +)$  is a crossed-inverse loop ([1, Theorem 5.4]).

*Proof.* Let  $X \in \mathcal{G}_3 \setminus \{E\}$ ,  $x := X \cap [0]_1$ ,  $x_2 := X \cap [0]_2$ . Then  $0_6(x_2) = x$  and so if  $(0_6)_3(\mathcal{G}_3) = \mathcal{G}_2$ , then  $(0_6)_3(X) = [x]_2$ . Now let  $p \in X$ ,  $y := [p]_1 \cap [0]_2$ ,  $p_1 := [p]_1 \cap [0]_3$ ,  $p_2 := [p]_2 \cap [0]_3$ ,  $q := [x]_2 \cap [y]_3$ . Then firstly  $x \in [0]_1$ ,  $y \in [0]_2$ ,  $p = [x]_3 \cap [y]_1$ ,  $q = [y]_3 \cap [x]_2$  and  $[0]_3 \cap [p]_2 \cap [q]_1 \neq \phi$  if  $(T, 0; 1, 2)$  holds. Secondly  $0_6(p_1) = y$ ,  $0_6(p_2) = [p]_2 \cap [0]_2$ , hence  $(0_6)_3(p) = [0_6(p_1)]_3 \cap [0_6(p_2)]_1 = [y]_3 \cap [p]_2$ . Consequently,  $(0_6)_3(X) = [x]_2 \Leftrightarrow [x]_2 \cap [y]_3 \cap [p]_2]_1 = \{q\} \cap [p]_2 \neq \phi \Leftrightarrow [0]_3 \cap [p]_2 \cap [q]_1 \neq \phi$ . Hence  $(0_6)_3(\mathcal{G}_3) = \mathcal{G}_2 \Leftrightarrow (T, 0; 1, 2)$ . Now we set  $a := [x]_2 \cap [0]_3$ ,  $b := p_1$ . Then  $a + b = p_2$ ,  $y = b \square 0$ ,  $[b \square 0]_3 = [0 \square (\sim b)]_3$  and so  $\sim b + (a + b) = a \Leftrightarrow [x]_2 \cap [y]_3 \cap [p]_2 \neq \phi$ . With (3.7) all the statements are equivalent.  $\square$

Finally in our web we consider the orbits  $[p]^i := \{\tilde{X}(p) \mid X \in \mathcal{G}_i\}$  of a point  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  with respect to the generators of  $\mathcal{G}_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  and see by the definition that each orbit  $[p]^i$  is an  $i$ -chain, hence  $[p]^i \in \mathcal{C}_i$  and obtain the following theorem which is the case when  $i=3$ :

**3.9 Theorem.** *Let  $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{G}_3)$  be a web and let  $E \in \mathcal{G}_3$  such that  $\tilde{E} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ . Then*

- (1) *If there is a chain  $D \in \mathcal{C}_3$  such that  $\forall X \in \mathcal{G}_3 : \tilde{D}(X) = X$  (i.e.  $\mathcal{G}_3 \subset D^\perp \cup \{D\}$ ), then  $\tilde{D} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{D} = \tilde{D} \circ \tilde{E} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})^+$ , each point  $p \in E \cap D$  is 2-rotational and  $\tilde{p} = \tilde{E} \circ \tilde{D}$  is the reflection in  $p$  and for each  $d \in D$ ,  $D = [d]^3$ ,*
- (2) *If  $p \in E$  is a 2-rotational point and  $\tilde{p}$  the reflection in  $p$ , then  $\tilde{p} \circ \tilde{E} = \tilde{E} \circ \tilde{p} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ ,  $D := \text{Fix}(\tilde{p} \circ \tilde{E}) \in \mathcal{C}_3$ ,  $\tilde{D} = \tilde{p} \circ \tilde{E}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}_3 \subset D^\perp \cup \{D\}$  and  $D = [p]^3$ .*

*Proof.* (1) By (1.1.2),  $\tilde{D} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}_1 \cup \mathfrak{G}_2)^-$  and by  $\tilde{D}(X) = X$  for  $X \in \mathfrak{G}_3$ , hence  $\tilde{D} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$  and by (1.1.1)  $\tilde{X} = \tilde{D}(X) = \tilde{D} \circ \tilde{X} \circ \tilde{D}$ . Since  $\tilde{X}$  and  $\tilde{D}$  are involutions,  $\tilde{X} \circ \tilde{D} = \tilde{D} \circ \tilde{X}$ , in particular  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{D} = \tilde{D} \circ \tilde{E}$ . Since  $\tilde{E}, \tilde{D} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W}) \cap \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}_1 \cup \mathfrak{G}_2)^-$ , we obtain  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{D} = \tilde{D} \circ \tilde{E} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})^+$ . Now let  $p \in E \cap D$ ,  $x \in E \setminus \{p\}$ ,  $\gamma = (132)$ ,  $x' := (\gamma_p)^3(x)$ ,  $q := (\gamma_p)(x) = [x]_1 \cap [p]_2$ ,  $q' := (\gamma_p)^2(x) = [p]_1 \cap [q]_3 = [p]_1 \cap [x']_2$ . Then by  $p \in D$ ,  $\tilde{D}([p]_2) = [p]_1$  and  $\tilde{D}([q]_3) = [q]_3$  since  $[q]_3 \in \mathfrak{G}_3$ . Consequently  $\tilde{D}(q) = \tilde{D}([p]_2 \cap [q]_3) = \tilde{D}([p]_2) \cap \tilde{D}([q]_3) = [p]_1 \cap [q]_3 = q'$  and so  $\tilde{D}(x) = \tilde{D}([p]_3 \cap [q]_1) = [p]_3 \cap \tilde{D}([q]_1) = [p]_3 \cap [\tilde{D}(q)]_2 = [p]_3 \cap [q']_2 = x'$ . Hence  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{D}|_E = \tilde{E} \circ \tilde{D}|_{[p]_3} = (\gamma_p)^3|_E$  and so by the unique extendability,  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{D} = \tilde{\rho}$ . Now for  $d \in D$  and  $X \in \mathfrak{G}_3$ , let  $\tilde{X}(d) \in [d]^3$ , then  $\tilde{D} \circ \tilde{X}(d) = \tilde{X} \circ \tilde{D}(d) = \tilde{X}(d)$ , hence  $\tilde{X}(d) \in \text{Fix}(\tilde{D}) = D$  by (1.1.1), i.e.  $[d]^3 \subset D$ . So we have  $D = [d]^3$ , since  $D$  and  $[d]^3$  are both in  $\mathcal{C}_3$ .

(2) By hypothesis,  $\tilde{\rho}$  and  $\tilde{E}$  are involutory automorphisms of  $\mathcal{W}$  and  $p \in E$ , hence  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho} \circ \tilde{E} = \tilde{E}(p) = \tilde{\rho}$  and so  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho} = \tilde{\rho} \circ \tilde{E} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$  with  $(\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho})' = (1, 2)$ , i.e.  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho} \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}_1 \cup \mathfrak{G}_2)^-$ . By (1.1.4),  $D := \text{Fix}(\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho}) \in \mathcal{C}_3$  and  $\tilde{D} = \tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho}$ . Finally let  $X \in \mathfrak{G}_3$ . If  $X = E$ , then by  $p \in E$ ,  $\tilde{D}(E) = \tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho}(E) = \tilde{E}(E) = E$ . Therefore let  $X \neq E$  and let  $q := [p]_2 \cap X$ ,  $q' = [p]_1 \cap X$ . Then  $q' = \gamma_p(q)$ ,  $\tilde{\rho}(q) = (\gamma_p)^3(q)$  and  $\tilde{E}(q') = \tilde{\rho}(q)$ . Thus  $\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho}(X) = \tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho}([q]_3) = [\tilde{E} \circ \tilde{\rho}(q)]_3 = [q']_3 = X$ , i.e.  $\mathfrak{G}_3 \subset D^\perp \cup \{D\}$  and by (1),  $D = [p]^3$ .  $\square$

Together with the results (4.2.3) and (6.4) of [5] we can state:

**3.10** For a web  $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}_1, \mathfrak{G}_2, \mathfrak{G}_3)$  let  $\mathcal{P}_2$  be the set of all 2-extendable points. Then for  $\mathcal{W}$  the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathcal{P}_2 \neq \emptyset$  and  $\exists i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : \tilde{\mathfrak{G}}_i \subset \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$  (In this case, if  $0 \in \mathcal{P}_2$  and  $j, k \in \{1, 2, 3\} \setminus \{i\}$  with  $j \neq k$ , then  $D := [0]^i \in \mathcal{C}_i$  with  $D \subset \mathcal{P}_2$  and  $\mathfrak{G}_i \subset D^\perp \cup \{D\}$  and  $(E, +) := L(\mathcal{W}; 0; j, k)$  is a Bruck-loop),
- (2)  $\exists 0 \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $j, k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $j \neq k$  such that  $(E, +) = L(\mathcal{W}; 0; j, k)$  is a Bruck-loop (In this case  $0 \in \mathcal{P}_2$  and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{G}}_i \subset \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ ),
- (3)  $\exists i \in \{1, 2, 3\} : \tilde{\mathfrak{G}}_i \subset \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$  and  $\exists D \in \mathcal{C}_i$  with  $\mathfrak{G}_i \subset D^\perp \cup \{D\}$ .

*Remark.* If for a web  $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{P}, \mathfrak{G}_1, \mathfrak{G}_2, \mathfrak{G}_3)$  and an  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{G}}_i \subset \text{Aut}(\mathcal{W})$ , then  $\forall p, q \in \mathcal{P}_2$ ,  $[p]^i \subset \mathcal{P}_2$  and either  $[p]^i \cap [q]^i = \emptyset$  or  $[p]^i = [q]^i$ .

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