

# ON COMMUTATIVITY OF RA-SEMIGROUPS

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## ABSTRACT:

An algebraic structure midway between a groupoid and commutative semigroup appeared in 1972. M.A.Kazim and MD.Naseerudin introduced left almost semigroups as a generalisation of commutative semigroups. They have introduced the braces on the left of the ternary commutative law  $abc = cba$  to get a new pseudo associative law, i.e.,  $(ab)c = (cb)a$ . It is since then called left invertive law. A groupoid satisfying the left invertive law is called a left almost semigroup and is abbreviated as LA- semigroup. Similarly, groupoid satisfying the right invertive law,  $a(bc) = c(ba)$  is called a right almost semigroup and is abbreviated as RA- semigroup

In this paper we will prove some of the properties of RA-semigroups. In this paper in section 2 we define RA-semigroup with examples and prove some of the basic results. In section 3 we study the properties of commutative and bi-commutative and transitively commutative RA-semigroups. In 4 we prove some of the properties of the anti-commutative RA-semigroups.

**Keywords:** RA-semigroup, Commutative RA-semigroups, Bi-commutative RA-semigroup, Anti-commutative RA-semigroup.

## 1 INTRODUCTION :

The algebraic object encountered in this chapter is a set  $G$  with a binary operation ' $\cdot$ ' satisfying right invertive law is same as the algebraic structure " Right almost semigroup i.e., RA-semigroup" defined by MD.Naseeruddin in his Ph.D theses with the title "Some studies on almost semigroups and flocks". He defined RA-semigroup as a groupoid satisfying right invertive law. i.e.,

$$a(bc) = c(ba) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$$

**Definition :** Let  $G$  be a non empty set and ' $\cdot$ ' be a binary operation from  $G \times G \rightarrow G$ . Then  $(G, \cdot)$  is called an RA-semigroup if it satisfies,  

$$a(bc) = c(ba) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$$

The following multiplication table shows the existence of an RA-semigroup.

.	$x$	$y$	$z$
$x$	$x$	$z$	$y$
$y$	$y$	$x$	$z$
$z$	$z$	$y$	$x$

**Definition :** An RA-semigroup is called a commutative RA-semigroup if  $ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in G$

**Definition :** Bi-Commutative RA-semigroup (BC- RA-semigroup) :

An RA-semigroup  $G$  is called right commutative RA-semigroup (RC- RA-semigroup) if  $a(bc) = a(cb)$ , for all  $\forall a, b, c \in G$ .

An RA-semigroup  $G$  is called a left commutative RA-semigroup (LC- RA-semigroup) if  $(ab)c = (ba)c$ , for all  $\forall a, b, c \in G$

An RA-semigroup  $G$  is called a bi-commutative RA-semigroup (BC- RA-semigroup) if it is both LC- RA-semigroup and RC- RA-semigroup.

**Definition :** Anti-commutative RA-semigroup: An RA-semigroup  $G$  is called anti-commutative RA-semigroup if the identity,  $ab = ba \Rightarrow a = b$  holds  $\forall a, b \in G$

**Alternative RA-semigroup** : An RA-semigroup G is called left alternative RA-semigroup if it satisfies the identity ,  $(aa)b = a(ab)$ . for all  $a,b \in G$

An RA-semigroup is called right alternative RA-semigroup G if it satisfies the identity,  $(ab)b = a(bb)$ , for all  $a,b \in G$

**Self-Dual RA-semigroup** : An RA-semigroup which satisfies left invertive law  $(ab)c = c(ba)$  for all  $a,b,c \in G$  is called Self -Dual RA-semigroup.

**Nuclear square** : An RA-semigroup G is called left nuclear square if  $\forall a,b,c \in G$ ,  $a^2(bc) = (a^2b)c$ . Similarly S is called right nuclear square if  $\forall a,b,c \in G$ ,  $(ab)c^2 = a(bc^2)$  and middle **nuclear square** if  $\forall a,b,c \in G$ ,  $(ab^2)c = a(b^2c)$ .

**Right transitive RA-semigroup** : An RA-semigroup G is called right transitive if ,  $ab.cb = ac$  for all  $a,b, c \in G$

**Left transitive RA-semigroup** : An RA-semigroup G is called left transitive if ,  $ab.ac = bc$  for all  $a,b, c \in G$

**Locally associative**: An RA-semigroup G is said be locally associative if,  $a^2a = aa^2 \quad \forall a \in G$

**Cancellative RA-semigroup** : Let G be an RA-semigroup. If for all  $a, b, c, \in G$ ,  $ab = ac \Rightarrow b = c$  then we say that G is a left cancellative RA-semigroup

Let G be an RA-semigroup. If for all  $a, b, c, \in G$ ,  $ba = ca \Rightarrow b = c$  then we say that G is a right cancellative RA-semigroup

Let G be an RA-semigroup. If for all  $a, b, c, \in G$ ,  $ab = ac \Rightarrow b = c$ , and also  $ba = ca \Rightarrow b = c$ , then we say that G is a cancellative RA-semigroup

Let G be an RA-semigroup. If for all  $a, b, c, \in G$ ,  $ab = ca \Rightarrow b = c$ , and also  $ba = ac \Rightarrow b = c$ , then we say that G is a cross-cancellative RA-semigroup

## 2: SOME BASIC RESULTS ON RA-SEMIGROUPS.

**2.1 Lemma** : An RA-semigroup G satisfies medial law.

i.e.,  $(ab)(cd) = (ac)(bd) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$ .

**Proof** : Using right invertive law,

$$(ab)(cd) = d(c(ab)) = d(b(ac)) = (ac)(bd)$$

**2.2 Lemma** : If right identity 'e' exists in RA-semigroup then it is unique.

Proof : If possible there exists another right identity say f, then

$$f=fe \text{ and } ef=e \text{ and } f=fe=f(ef)=e(ef)=ee=e \Rightarrow f=e$$

**2.3 Lemma** : If an RA-semigroup with right identity, paramedial law holds.

i.e.,  $(ab)(cd) = (db)(ca)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } (ab)(cd) &= (ab)((cd)e) = e((cd)(ab)) = e(b(a(cd))) = e(b(d(ca))) = e((ca)(db)) \\ &= (db)((ca)e) = (db)(ca). \end{aligned}$$

**2.4 Lemma** : In an RA-semigroup with right identity e ,

$$ab=cd \Leftrightarrow ba=dc$$

**Proof** : (i)  $ab = cd \Rightarrow ba = dc$

$$ba = b(ae) = e(ab) = e(cd) = d(ce) = dc.$$

Similarly we can show that  $(ba) = (dc) \Rightarrow (ab) = (cd)$

**2.5 Lemma** : If an RA-semigroup G contains a right identity the following law holds  $(ab)c = (ac)b$ ,  $\forall a, b, c \in G$ .

**Proof** :  $(ab)c = (ab)(ce) = e(c(ab)) = e(b(ac)) = (ac)(be) = (ac)b$ .

### 3: ON COMMUTATIVITY OF RA-SEMIGROUPS

**3.1 Theorem :** An RA-semigroup G is a commutative semigroup iff the following law holds  $\forall a, b, c \in G$ .

$$a(bc) = (ba)c \quad \text{--- (a)}$$

Proof : (i) Let the given condition (a) holds in G,

$$\text{and } a(bc) = c(ba) \quad \text{--- (b) (right invertive law)}$$

from (a) and (b), we have

$$(ba)c = c(ba) \Rightarrow G \text{ is commutative.}$$

and  $a(bc) = (ba)c = (ab)c \Rightarrow G \text{ is associative.}$

$\therefore G$  is a commutative semigroup.

(ii) Let G be a commutative semigroup.

then,  $a(bc) = (ab)c = c(ab) = c(ba) = (ba)c \Rightarrow a(bc) = (ba)c$

**3.2 Theorem :** An RA-semigroup with left identity is a commutative semigroup.

**Proof :** Let G is an RA-semigroup with left identity e.

then,  $ea = a$

$ab = a(eb) = b(ea) = ba \Rightarrow ab = ba \Rightarrow G \text{ is commutative.}$

$a(bc) = c(ba) = c(ab) = (ab)c \quad (\text{Since } G \text{ is commutative})$

$a(bc) = (ab)c \Rightarrow G \text{ is associative}$

$\therefore G$  is a commutative semigroup.

**3.3 Theorem:** Let G be a RA-semigroup with right identity. If G is left alternative then G is a commutative semigroup.

**Proof:** G is an RA-semigroup

Let G is left alternative then,

$$aa.b = a.ab \quad \forall a, b \in G.$$

$$aa.b = a.ab = b.aa \Rightarrow a^2b = b.a^2$$

Now replace a by e we have,  $e^2a = a.e^2 \Rightarrow a.e = e.a$

Since e is the right identity in G we have  $a.e = e.a = a \Rightarrow e$  is the identity in G

Now by right invertive law and identity in G we have,

$ab = a(be) = e(ba) = ba \Rightarrow G \text{ is commutative}$

and by commutativity and right invertive law we have,

$a(bc) = c(ba) = c(ab) = (ab)c \Rightarrow G \text{ is associative}$

$\therefore G$  is a commutative semigroup

**3.4 Theorem :** A commutative RA-semigroup is,

(i) Associative

(ii) Permutable

(iii) Self-Dual

(iv) Bi-commutative

(v) Alternative

(vi) Paramedial

(vii) Nuclear square

**Proof:** Let  $G$  is a commutative RA-semigroup

(i) Consider  $a(bc) = c(ba) = c(ab) = (ab)c \Rightarrow a(bc) = (ab)c \Rightarrow G$  is associative

(ii) Let  $G$  be a commutative RA-semigroup, then

Consider  $a(bc) = c(ba) = c(ab) = b(ac) = (ac)b \Rightarrow a(bc) = b(ac) \Rightarrow G$  is right permutable

similarly  $a(bc) = c(ba) = c(ab) = b(ac)$  i.e.,  $G$  is left permutable.

(iii) Consider  $a(bc) = c(ba)$

By using commutativity on both sides we get,

$$a(bc) = c(ba) \Leftrightarrow (bc)a = c(ab) \Leftrightarrow (cb)a = (ab)c$$

Right invertive law  $\Leftrightarrow$  Left invertive law.  $\Rightarrow G$  is Self-Dual RA-semigroup.

(iv) Consider  $a(bc) \& (ab)c$

Since  $G$  is commutative, we have

$$a(bc) = a(cb) \quad (\text{commutativity})$$

$$(ab)c = (ba)c \quad (\text{commutativity})$$

$\Rightarrow G$  is Bi-commutative.

(v)  $a(ab) = b(aa) = (aa)b \Rightarrow G$  is left alternative.

$$a(bb) = b(ba) = b(ab) = (ab)b \Rightarrow G$$
 is right alternative

$\Rightarrow G$  is an alternative RA-semigroup.

(vi) Consider  $(ab)(cd) = (cd)(ab)$  (commutativity)

$$= (dc)(ba) \quad (\text{commutativity})$$

$$= (db)(ca) \quad (\text{medial law})$$

$\Rightarrow G$  is paramedial

(vii) since Commutativity  $\Rightarrow$  Associativity we have,

$$a^2(bc) = (a^2b)c, (ab)c^2 = a(bc^2), (ab^2)c = a(b^2c). \forall a, b, c \in G \Rightarrow G$$
 is a nuclear square.

**3.5 Theorem :** Let  $G$  be an RA-semigroup. Then  $G$  is a commutative semigroup if  $G$  satisfies any one of the following.

(i)  $G$  is slim RA-semigroup

(ii)  $G$  is left alternative

(iii)  $G$  is right alternative satisfying cross-cancellation

(iv) Idempotent and paramedial

(v) Left commutative with right cancellation

(vi) Right commutative with left cancellation

(vii) Self - dual with right identity

(viii) Left transitive

(ix) Right transitive

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be an RA-semigroup and let  $a, b, c \in G$

(i) Let  $G$  be a slim RA-semigroup. Then,  $a(bc) = ac$

Consider  $ab = a(bb) = b(ba) = ab \Rightarrow ab = ba \Rightarrow G$  is commutative.

(ii) Let  $G$  be a left alternative RA-semigroup

By left alternativity in  $G$  we have,  $(aa)b = a(ab) \quad \forall a, b \in G$ .

Using right invertive law on the right we get  $(aa)b = b(aa) \quad \forall a, b \in G$ .

$\Rightarrow G$  is commutative.

(iii) Let  $G$  is right alternative RA-semigroup satisfying cross-cancellation

Since  $G$  is right alternative we have,  $(ab)b = a(bb) \quad \forall a, b \in G$ .

Using right invertive law on the right we get  $(ab)b = b(ba)$

using cross-cancellativity in  $G$  we have  $ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in G \Rightarrow G$  is commutative.

(iv) Let  $G$  be an idempotent RA-semigroup. Then  $a^2 = a \quad \forall a \in G$ .

Let  $G$  be paramedial then,  $(ab)(cd) = (db)(ca)$

Consider  $ab = (ab)^2 = (ab)(ab) = (bb)(aa) = b^2a^2 = ba \Rightarrow ab = ba \Rightarrow G$  is commutative

(v) Let  $G$  be a left commutative Ra-semigroup with right cancellativity

$G$  is left commutative we have,  $(ab)c = (ba)c \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$ .

cancellativity in  $G$  we have  $ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in G \Rightarrow G$  is commutative

(vi) Let  $G$  be a right commutative using right RA-semigroup.

Since  $G$  is right commutative we have,  $a(bc) = a(cb) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$ .

using left cancellativity in  $G$  we have  $bc = cb \Rightarrow G$  is commutative.

(vii) Let  $G$  be an RA-semigroup with right identity. Then  $ae = a \quad \forall a \in G$ .

Let  $G$  be self-dual then,  $(ab)c = (cb)a$

Consider  $ea = (ee)a = (ae)e = ae = a \Rightarrow eaa \Rightarrow e$  is the left identity  $\Rightarrow e$  is the identity

Now  $ab = a(be) = e(ba) = ba \Rightarrow ab = ba \Rightarrow G$  is commutative

(viii) Let  $G$  be a left transitive RA-semigroup

By left transitive condition in  $G$  we have,  $bc = bb.bc$

$$bb.bc = bb(bb.bc) \quad (\text{Since } bc = bb.bc).$$

Using right invertive law on the right we get

$$bc = bb(bb.bc) = bc(bb.bb) = bc.bb = cb \quad (\text{by left transitivity in } G)$$

Thus  $bc = cb \Rightarrow G$  is commutative.

(ix) Let  $G$  be a right transitive RA-semigroup

By right transitive condition in  $G$  we have,  $ac = ac.aa = (a.ac)(a.aa)$

Using right invertive law on the right we get  $ac = (c.aa)(a.aa) \quad (\text{by right transitivity in } G)$

$$= ca \quad (\text{by right transitivity in } G)$$

Thus  $ac = ca \Rightarrow G$  is commutative.

In RA-semigroups always commutativity implies associativity.

Hence in all the above cases  $G$  is associative and hence  $G$  is a commutative semigroup.

**3.6 Theorem:** Let  $G$  be a left-cancellative RA-semigroup. Then  $G$  is transitively commutative.

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be an RA-semigroup. Let  $a, b, c \in G$  such that  $ab = ba$  and  $bc = cb$ .

By right invertive law in  $G$  we have,

$$a(bc) = c(ba)$$

Since  $ab = ba$  and  $bc = cb$  we have,

$$a(cb) = c(ab) \Rightarrow b(ca) = b(ac)$$

using left-cancellation we get,  $ca = ac$

$$ab = ba \text{ and } bc = cb \Rightarrow ca = ac \Rightarrow G \text{ is transitively commutative}$$

**3.7 Theorem:** Let  $G$  be an RA-semigroup. Then  $G$  is transitively commutative if ,

(i)  $G$  is left transitive

(ii)  $G$  is right transitive

**Proof:**

(i) Let  $G$  be a left transitive RA-semigroup  $\Rightarrow ac = ba.bc \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$

Let  $ab = ba$  and  $bc = cb$ .

Now we use the above assumptions and right invertive law to show that  $ac = ca$

Consider  $ac = ba.bc$

$$\begin{aligned} &= ba.cb \quad (bc=cb) \\ &= b(c.ba) \quad (\text{right invertive law}) \\ &= b(a.bc) \quad (\text{right invertive law}) \\ &= bc.ab \quad (\text{right invertive law}) \\ &= bc.ba \quad (ab = ba) \\ &= ca \quad (G \text{ is left transitive}) \end{aligned}$$

$ab = ba \text{ & } bc = cb \Rightarrow ac = ca \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$

$\Rightarrow G$  is transitively commutative

(ii) Let  $G$  be a right transitive RA-semigroup  $\Rightarrow ac = ab.cb \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$

Let  $ab = ba$  and  $bc = cb$ .

Now we use the above assumptions and right invertive law to show that  $ac = ca$

Consider  $ac = ab.cb$

$$\begin{aligned} &= ba.cb \quad (bc=cb) \\ &= b(c.ba) \quad (\text{right invertive law}) \\ &= b(a.bc) \quad (\text{right invertive law}) \\ &= b(a.cb) \quad (bc = cb) \\ &= cb.ab \quad (\text{right invertive law}) \\ &= ca \quad (G \text{ is left transitive}) \end{aligned}$$

$ab = ba \text{ & } bc = cb \Rightarrow ac = ca \quad \forall a, b, c \in G \Rightarrow G$  is transitively commutative

**3.8 Theorem:** Let  $G$  be a RA-semigroup with the condition  $a(bc)=ac$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $G$ . Then  $G$  is,

- (i) Left commutative
- (ii) Right commutative
- (iii) Transitively commutative

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be an RA-semigroup

And let  $a, b, c \in G$  such that  $a(bc)=ac$

(i) To show that  $G$  is left commutative, we have to show  $(ab)c = (ba)c$

For this consider  $(ab)c$

Using right invertive law, medial law and slim groupoid property we show that  $G$  is left commutative.

$$(ab)c = (ab)(bb(c)) = c(bb.ab) = c(ba.bb) = c(b(b.ba)) = c(b(ba)) = (ba)(bc) = (ba)c$$

$(ab)c = (ba)c \Rightarrow G$  is a left commutative RA-semigroup

(ii) To show that  $G$  is right commutative, we have to show  $a(bc) = a(cb)$

Using right invertive law, medial law and slim groupoid property we show that  $G$  is right commutative.

$$a(bc) = a(cc(bc)) = a(cb.cc) = a(c(c.cb)) = a(c(cb)) = a(cb)$$

$a(bc) = a(cb) \Rightarrow G$  is a right commutative RA-semigroup

(iii) Let  $a, b, c \in G$  such that  $a(bc)=ac$

and let  $ab=ba$  &  $bc=cb$

Consider  $ac = a(bc) = a(b(bc)) = a(c(bb)) = a(bb) = ab \dots(1)$

And  $ab = ba = b(ca) = b(c(ca)) = b(a(cc)) = b(cc) = bc \dots(2)$

Again  $bc = cb = c(ab) = c(a(ab)) = c(b(aa)) = c(aa) = ca \dots(3)$

From (1), (2) & (3)  $ac = ab = ba = bc = cb = ca \Rightarrow ac = ca$

$\Rightarrow G$  is transitively commutative RA-semigroup

**3.9 Theorem:** Let  $G$  be an RA-semigroup with the identity  $a(bc) = (ac)b \forall a, b, c \in G$ . Then  $G$  is left commutative

**Proof:**  $G$  is an RA-semigroup with the identity  $a(bc) = (ac)b \forall a, b, c \in G$ .

Consider  $(ab)c = a(cb)$  (by the assumption  $a(bc) = (ac)b$ )

$= b(ca)$  (right invertive law)

$= (ba)c$  (by the assumption  $a(bc) = (ac)b$ )

$(ab)c = (ba)c \forall a, b, c \in G \Rightarrow G$  is left commutative

**3.10 Theorem:** Let  $G$  be (right commutative) RC-RA-semigroup. Then  $G$  is a commutative semigroup if,

(i)  $G$  has right identity

(ii)  $G$  is cancellative

**Proof:**  $G$  is a right commutative RA-semigroup

(i) Let  $e$  be the right identity in  $G$

Consider  $ab = a(be) = a(eb) = b(ea) = b(ae) = ba \Rightarrow G$  is commutative

$G$  is commutative  $\Rightarrow G$  is associative  $\Rightarrow G$  is commutative semigroup.

(ii)  $G$  is right commutative  $\Rightarrow a(bc) = a(cb) \forall a, b, c \in G$ .

by left cancellativity we have,  $bc = cb \Rightarrow G$  is commutative

$G$  is commutative  $\Rightarrow G$  is associative  $\Rightarrow G$  is commutative semigroup.

#### 4 ANTI-COMMUTATIVITY OF RA-SEMIGROUPS.

**4.1 Theorem :** Let  $G$  be an anti-commutative RA-semigroup with right identity 'e'. Then ,

(i)  $G$  is quasi-cancellative.

(ii)  $G$  is unipotent

(iii)  $G$  is RA-3-band

#### Proof:

Let  $G$  be an anti-commutative RA-semigroup with right identity. Then,  $\forall a, b, c \in G$  we have

$$a(bc) = c(ba) \quad \text{-----}(I)$$

$$ab = ba \Rightarrow a = b \quad \text{-----}(II)$$

$$(ab)c = (ac)b \quad \text{-----}(III)$$

$$ab = cd \Rightarrow ba = dc \quad \text{-----} (IV)$$

(i) Let  $a^2 = ab \Rightarrow aa = ab \Rightarrow aa = ba \Rightarrow ab = ba \Rightarrow a = b$  (Since  $G$  is anti-commutative)

$$a^2 = ab \Rightarrow a = b$$

Similarly let,  $b^2 = ba \Rightarrow bb = ba \Rightarrow bb = ab \Rightarrow ba = ab \Rightarrow a = b$  (Since  $G$  is anti-commutative)

$$b^2 = ba \Rightarrow a = b$$

Hence  $G$  is quasi-cancellative

(ii) consider  $a^2b^2 = aa.bb$

By medial law  $a^2b^2 = ab.ab$

By (iv)  $b^2a^2 = ab.ab = aa.bb = a^2b^2$

By anti-commutativity in  $G$   $b^2a^2 = a^2b^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = b^2 \Rightarrow G$  is unipotent

(iii) Consider  $a(a.aa)$

by right invertive law  $a(a.aa) = aa.aa$

by (IV)  $(a.aa)a = aa.aa$

again using right invertive law on the right,  $(a.aa)a = a(a.aa)$

from anti-commutativity property  $a.aa = a \Rightarrow G$  is RA-3-band.

**4.2 Theorem :** Let  $G$  be an anti-commutative RA-semigroup . Then ,

$G$  is transitively commutative.

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be an anti-commutative RA-semigroup

And let  $a, b, c \in G$  such that  $ab = ba$  &  $bc = cb$

Now we have to show that  $ac = ca$

Since  $G$  is anti-commutative,  $ab = ba \Rightarrow a = b$

and  $bc = cb \Rightarrow b = c$

$$a = b \text{ & } b = c \Rightarrow a = c \Rightarrow ac = ca$$

$ab = ba$  &  $bc = cb \Rightarrow ac = ca \Rightarrow G$  is transitively commutative.

$G$  is anti-commutative  $\Rightarrow G$  is transitively commutative

**4.3 Theorem :** Let  $G$  be an anti-commutative RA-semigroup. Then  $G$  is an RA-semigroup band if and only if  $G$  is locally associative.

**Proof:**

(i) Let  $G$  be a RA-semigroup band

$$\text{then } a^2 = a \quad \forall a \in G$$

clearly we have  $a^2a = aa^2 \Rightarrow G$  is locally associative

(ii) Let  $G$  be locally associative

$$\text{then } a^2a = aa^2 \quad \forall a \in G$$

By anti-commutativity in  $G$  we have  $a^2 = a \Rightarrow G$  is an RA-semigroup band

**4.4 Theorem :** Let  $G$  be an anti-commutative RA-semigroup. If  $G$  is paramedial then  $G$  is,

(i) Unipotent

(ii) Rectangular

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be an anti-commutative paramedial RA-semigroup

(i) Consider  $a^2b^2 = aa.bb = ab.ab$  (medial law)

$$= bb.aa \quad (\text{paramedial law})$$

$$= b^2a^2$$

$$a^2b^2 = b^2a^2$$

By anti-commutativity of  $G$ ,  $a^2b^2 = b^2a^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = b^2$

$\Rightarrow G$  is unipotent.

(ii) Consider  $(ab.ad)(cb.cd) = (aa.bd)(cc.bd)$  (medial law)

$$= (aa.cc)(bd.bd) \quad (\text{medial law})$$

$$= (ca.ca)(bd.bd) \quad (\text{paramedial law})$$

$$= (cc.aa)(bd.bd) \quad (\text{medial law})$$

$$= (cc.bd)(aa.bd) \quad (\text{medial law})$$

$$= (cb.cd)(ab.ad) \quad (\text{medial law})$$

$$\Rightarrow (ab.ad)(cb.cd) = (cb.cd)(ab.ad)$$

By anti-commutativity of  $G$   $(ab.ad)(cb.cd) = (cb.cd)(ab.ad) \Rightarrow G$  is rectangular

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