

On Steiner Quasigroups of Cardinality 21

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Abstract

In [12] Quackenbush has expected that there should be subdirectly irreducible Steiner quasigroups (squags), whose proper homomorphic images are entropic (medial). The smallest interesting cardinality for such squags is 21. Using the tripling construction given in [1] we construct all possible nonsimple subdirectly irreducible squags of cardinality 21 (SQ(21)s). Consequently, we may say that there are 4 distinct classes of nonsimple SQ(21)s, based on the number n of sub-SQ(9)s for $n = 0, 1, 3, 7$. The squags of the first three classes for $n = 0, 1, 3$ are nonsimple subdirectly irreducible having exactly one proper homomorphic image isomorphic to the entropic SQ(3) (equivalently, having 3 disjoint sub-SQ(7)s). For $n = 7$, each squag SQ(21) of this class has 3 disjoint sub-SQ(7)s and 7 sub-SQ(9)s, we will see that this squag is isomorphic to the direct product SQ(7) \times SQ(3). For $n = 0$, each squag SQ(21) of this class is a nonsimple subdirectly irreducible having three disjoint sub-SQ(7)s and no sub-SQ(9)s. In section 5, we describe an example for each of these classes. Finally, we review all well-known classes of simple SQ(21)s.

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Abstract

A Steiner triple system (briefly ST) is in 1-1 correspondence with a Steiner quasigroup or squag (briefly SQ) [B. Ganter, H. Werner, Co-ordinatizing Steiner systems, Ann. Discrete Math. 7 (1980) 3-24; C.C. Lindner, A. Rosa, Steiner quadruple systems: A Survey, Discrete Math. 21 (1979) 147-181]. It is well known that for each n equivalent to 1 or 3 (mod 6) there is a planar squag of cardinality n [J. Doyen, Sur la structure de certains systems triples de Steiner, Math. Z. 111 (1969) 289-300]. Quackenbush expected that there should also be semi-planar squags [R.W. Quackenbush, Varieties of Steiner loops and Steiner quasigroups, Canad. J. Math. 28 (1976) 1187-1198]. A simple squag is semi-planar if every triangle either generates the whole squag or the 9-element squag. The first author has constructed a semi-planar squag of cardinality $3n$ for all $n > 3$ and n equivalent to 1 or 3 (mod 6) [M.H. Armanious, Semi-planar Steiner quasigroups of cardinality $3n$, Australas. J. Combin. 27 (2003) 13-27]. In fact, this construction supplies us with semi-planar squags having only nontrivial subsquags of cardinality 9. Our aim in this article is to give a recursive construction as $n \rightarrow 3n$ for semi-planar squags. This construction permits us to construct semi-planar squags having nontrivial subsquags of cardinality >9 . Consequently, we may say that there are semi-planar SQ($3(m) n$)s (or semi-planar ST($3(m) n$)s) for each positive integer m and each n equivalent to 1 or 3 (mod 6) with $n > 3$ having only medial subsquags at most of cardinality $3(nu)$ (sub-ST($3(nu)$)) for each nu is an element of $\{1, 2, \dots, m+1\}$. (C) 2008 Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.

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