

## Smarandache Half-Groups

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**Abstract:** In this paper we introduce the concept of *half-groups*. This is a totally new concept and demands considerable attention. R.H.Bruck [1] has defined a half groupoid. We have imposed a group structure on a half groupoid wherein we have an identity element and each element has a unique inverse. Further, we have defined a new structure called Smarandache half-group. We have derived some important properties of Smarandache half-groups. Some suitable examples are also given.

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### §1. Introduction

**Definition 1.1** Let  $(S, *)$  be a half groupoid (a partially closed set with respect to  $*$ ) such that

(1) There exists an element  $e \in S$  such that  $a * e = e * a = a, \forall a \in S$ .  $e$  is called identity element of  $S$ ;

(2) For every  $a \in S$  there exists  $b \in S$  such that  $a * b = b * a = e$  (identity)  $b$  is called the inverse of  $a$ .

Then  $(S, *)$  is called a half-group.

**Remark** It is easy to verify that

- (a) identity element in  $S$  is unique;
- (b) each element in  $S$  has a unique inverse;
- (c) associativity does not hold in  $S$  as there is at least one product that is not defined in  $S$ .

**Note** In all composition tables in the following examples the blank entries show that the corresponding products are not defined.

**Example 1.1** Let  $S = \{1, -i, i\}$ . Then  $S$  is a half-group w.r.t. multiplication. We write this multiplication table in the following.

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*	1	-i	i
1	1	-i	i
-i	-i		1
i	i	1	

**Example 1.2** Let  $S = \{e, a, b, c\}$ . Then  $(S, *)$  is a half subgroup defined by

*	e	a	b	c
e	e	a	b	c
a	a	b	c	e
b	b	c	e	a
c	c	e	a	

Here the product  $c * c$  is not defined.

**Definition 1.2** Let  $(S, *)$  be a half-group and  $H$  a subset of  $S$ . If  $H$  itself is a half-group w.r.t.  $*$ , then  $H$  is called a subhalf-group of  $S$ .

**Example 1.3** Let  $S = \{e, a, b, c, d\}$  be a half-group defined by the following table.

*	e	a	b	c	d
e	e	a	b	c	d
a	a	c	e	b	a
b	b	e	c	a	d
c	c	d	a	e	b
d	d	b	c		e

Then,  $H = \{e, a, b\}$  is a subhalf-group of  $S$ .

**Definition 1.3** A half-group  $(S, *)$  is called a Smarandache half-group if  $S$  contains a proper subset  $G$  such that  $G$  is a nontrivial group w.r.t.  $*$ .

**Definition 1.4** If  $S$  is Smarandache half-group such that every group contained properly in  $S$  is commutative, then  $S$  is called Smarandache commutative half-group.

**Definition 1.5** If  $S$  is a Smarandache half-group such that every group contained properly in  $S$  is cyclic, then  $S$  is called a Smarandache cyclic half-group.

**Example 1.4** Let  $S$  be a half-group defined by the following table.

*	e	a	b	c
e	e	a	b	c
a	a	e	c	b
b	b	c	e	a
c	c	e		e

Then  $G = \{e, a\}$  is a nontrivial group contained in  $S$ . So,  $S$  is a Smarandache half-group. Also,  $\{e, a, b\}$  is a Smarandache half-group.  $S$  is also a Smarandache commutative half-group. Also  $S$  is a Smarandache cyclic half-group.

**Example 1.5**  $S = \{1, -i, i\}$  is not a Smarandache half-group.

**Example 1.6** Let  $L$  be the Half-Group given by the following table.

*	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l
e	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l
f	f	e	j	g	k	h	l	i
g	g	j	e	k	h	l	i	f
h	h	g	k	e	l	i	f	j
i	i	k	h	l	e	f	j	g
j	j	h	l	i	f	e	g	k
k	k	l	i	f	j	g	e	
l	l	i	f	j	g	k		e

Then  $L$  is a half-group which contains a group  $G = \{e, g\}$ . So,  $L$  is a Smarandache Half-Group.

There are many Smarandache half-groups in this structure. Results following are obtained immediately by definition

(1) *The smallest half-group is of order 3.*

This follows from the very definition of half-groups.

(2) *The smallest Smarandache half-group is of order 3.*

As a nontrivial group has order at least 2, the half-group which will contain this group properly will have order at least 3.

## §2. Substructures of Smarandache Half-Groups

In this section we introduce Smarandache substructure.

**Definition 2.1** *Let  $S$  be a half-group w.r.t.  $*$ . A nonempty subset  $T$  of  $S$  is said to be Smarandache subhalf-group of  $S$  if  $T$  contains a proper subset  $G$  such that  $G$  is a nontrivial group under the operation of  $S$ .*

**Theorem 2.1** *If  $S$  is a half-group and  $T$  is a Smarandache subhalf-group of  $S$  then  $S$  is a Smarandache half-group.*

*Proof* As  $T$  is a Smarandache subhalf-group of  $S$ ,  $S$  contains  $T$  properly. Also,  $T$  properly contains a non trivial group. As a result  $S$  is a hlf-group which properly contains a nontrivial group. Therefore  $S$  is a Smarandache half-group.  $\square$

We also note facts following on Smarandache half-groups.

(1) If  $R$  is a Smarandache half-group then every subhalf-group of  $R$  need not be a Smarandache subhalf-group.

We give an example to justify our claim.

**Example 2.1** Consider a half-group  $S$  defined by the following table.

*	e	f	g	h	i	j
e	e	f	g	h	i	j
f	f	h	e	g	j	i
g	g	e	h	f	i	i
h	h	g	f	e	e	j
i	i	j	i	j	e	
j	j	i	f	i		e

Then  $S \supset H = \{e, f, g, h\}$  and  $H$  is a group. Therefore  $S$  is a Smarandache half-group. Consider a half-group  $R = \{e, f, g\}$ . Then  $R$  is not a Smarandache subhalf-group of  $S$  as there does not exist a non trivial group contained in  $R$ .

We give a typical example of a half-group following whose subhalf-groups are Smarandache subhalf-group.

**Example 2.2** Consider the following table.

*	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l
e	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l
f	f	e	j	g	k	h	l	i
g	g	j	e	k	h	l	i	f
h	h	g	k	e	l	i	f	j
i	i	k	h	l	e	f	j	g
j	j	h	l	i	f	e	g	k
k	k	l	i	f	j	g	e	
l	l	i	f	j	g	k		e

One can easily verify that every subhalf-group is a Smarandache subhalf-group.

**Definition 2.2** *If  $S$  is a Smarandache half-group such that a subhalf-group  $A$  of  $S$  contains the largest group in  $S$  then  $A$  is called a Smarandache hyper subhalf-group.*

In the example above, the largest non-trivial group in  $S$  is of order 2 and every Smarandache subhalf-Group of  $S$  contains the largest group in  $S$ . Thus, every Smarandache subhalf-Group in  $S$  is a Smarandache hyper subhalf-Group.

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