

On Loop Extensions of Groups and M -cohomology Groups. II

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Introduction

In the previous paper [5]¹⁾, we discussed the problem of BM -extensions of a group by a group, that is, for given two groups G and Γ , the problem to determine all Bol-Moufang loop L 's with the following properties²⁾: (i) L has a normal subgroup G' which is isomorphic to G , (ii) $L/G' \cong \Gamma$, (iii) G' is contained in the nucleus of L . When we consider the case where L is a Bol-Moufang loop, it seems natural to consider the case where Γ is also a Bol-Moufang loop. In this paper we shall investigate the classification of all BM -extensions of a group G by a Bol-Moufang loop Γ . In this case, we shall modify the M -cohomology groups defined in the previous paper and classify all BM -extensions, using this new cohomology groups.

§1 will be devoted to the construction of the M -cohomology groups of a Bol-Moufang loop Γ over an abelian group G , and in §2, we shall first obtain the necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of the BM -extension L of a group G by a Bol-Moufang loop Γ by making use of a M -factor set and a system of automorphisms of G , and next, using this result and the new M -cohomology groups we shall classify the set of all BM -extensions. The methods used in this paper are the same as those of the previous, and the results obtained in this paper are as follows:

(i) For a given group G with the center C , a Bol-Moufang loop Γ and a homomorphism $\theta: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Aut } G / \text{In } G^3$, the BM -extension of G by Γ exists if and only if an element of $H^{*3}(\Gamma, C)$ determined by G , Γ and θ is zero (Theorem 2). Especially in the case G is abelian, this element is always zero.

(ii) If the BM -extension exists for assigned G , Γ and θ , all non-equivalent BM -extensions are in one-to-one correspondence with the elements of the second M -cohomology group $H^{*2}(\Gamma, C)$ (Theorem 3, 4).

§ 1. M -cohomology groups of a Bol-Moufang loop over an abelian group

In this section we shall extend the previous M -cohomology group of a

1) The number in the bracket refers to the references at the end of this paper.

2) A loop which satisfies the condition $a[b(ac)] = [a(ba)]c$ is called a Bol-Moufang loop.

3) $\text{Aut } G$ means the group of all automorphisms of G and $\text{In } G$ is the group of all inner automorphisms of G .

$$[\alpha_4 \cdots \alpha_6 \cdots \alpha_4] = \alpha_4(\alpha_1(\alpha_2(\alpha_1(\alpha_3(\alpha_1(\alpha_2(\alpha_1(\alpha_6(\alpha_1(\alpha_2(\alpha_1(\alpha_3(\alpha_1(\alpha_2(\alpha_1\alpha_4))))))\cdots))).$$

When $j=n+1$, the product $[\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{n+1}]$ is the left half part of the above product.

We explain some lemmas concerning the arguments which appear in the terms of the formula (1).

LEMMA 1. *If we denote $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{i-1}, \alpha_{i+1}, [\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_{i+2} \cdots \alpha_i], \dots, [\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_n \cdots \alpha_i], [\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{n+1}]$ by $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n$ respectively, then it holds that*

$$[\beta_j \cdots \beta_l \cdots \beta_j] = \begin{cases} [\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_l \cdots \alpha_j] & (j < l < i \leq n), \\ [\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_{i+1} \cdots \alpha_j] & (j < i, i = l < n), \\ [\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i \cdots \alpha_j] & (j < i, i+1 \leq l < n), \\ [\alpha_{i+1} \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_{i+1}] & (j = i, i+1 \leq l < n), \\ [\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{j+1} \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_{j+1} \cdots \alpha_i] & (i+1 \leq j < l < n), \end{cases}$$

where the product $[\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_k \cdots \alpha_l \cdots \alpha_k \cdots \alpha_j]$ ($j < k < l$) is made as follows: (i) first, the middle part $\alpha_k \cdots \alpha_l \cdots \alpha_k$ is arranged by the method explained above, (ii) next, the part $\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_k$ at the left end is arranged by the above method, (iii) the part $\alpha_k \cdots \alpha_j$ at the right end is arranged in the symmetric position to $\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_k$ with respect to α_l , (iv) finally these letters are multiplied one by one from the right end to the left.

PROOF. We prove this lemma by dividing into five cases. In the cases 1 and 2: $j < l < i$ and $j < l = i$, the lemma is evident. Case 3: $j < i, l \geq i+1$. By the definition of β_i ($1 \leq i < n+1$) it is sufficient to prove the following: $[\beta_j \cdots \beta_l \cdots \beta_j] = [\alpha_j \cdots [\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i] \cdots \alpha_j] = [\alpha_j \cdots \alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i \cdots \alpha_j]$. Since we can easily see that the arrangement of the letters α_k 's is the same in both sides, we show that the two products equal in the Bol-Moufang loop Γ . To prove it, it is sufficient to show that $[[\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i] \cdots \alpha_j] = [\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i \cdots \alpha_j]$. We prove this by dividing into few steps. We prove that $[\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i] = ((\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i))$, where $((\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i))$ is the product in which the arrangement of α_k 's is the same as that of $[\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i]$ and which is obtained by multiplying α_k 's from the right and from the left alternatively beginning with the multiplication of α_{l+1} and α_1 at the middle of this product, i.e., $\alpha_i((\alpha_1 \cdots ((\alpha_1(\alpha_{l+1}\alpha_1)) \cdots \alpha_i))$. If we use the Bol-Moufang condition for the product obtained by taking away α_i from the left end of $((\alpha_i \cdots \alpha_{l+1} \cdots \alpha_i))$ we have:

$$(\alpha_1((\alpha_2 \cdots ((\alpha_1(\alpha_{l+1}\alpha_1)) \cdots \alpha_2))\alpha_1))\alpha_i = \alpha_1\{(\alpha_2(\cdots((\alpha_1(\alpha_{l+1}\alpha_1)) \cdots \alpha_2))(\alpha_1\alpha_i))\}.$$

If we use again the Bol-Moufang condition for the part in parentheses

$\{(\alpha_2((\alpha_1 \dots ((\alpha_1(\alpha_{l+1}\alpha_1)) \dots \alpha_2))(\alpha_1\alpha_i))\}$ of the right side of the above equation, we obtain

$$(\alpha_2((\alpha_1 \dots ((\alpha_1(\alpha_{l+1}\alpha_1)) \dots \alpha_2))(\alpha_1\alpha_i)) = \alpha_2\{(\alpha_1((\dots((\alpha_1(\alpha_{l+1}\alpha_1)) \dots \alpha_1)) [\alpha_2\alpha_1\alpha_i])\}.$$

Continuing the same processes we get $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i] = ((\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i))$. We now proceed to prove that $[[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i] \dots \alpha_j] = [\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i \dots \alpha_j]$. Since $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i] = ((\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i))$, it holds that

$$[[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i] \dots \alpha_j] = ((\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i)) (\alpha_1 \dots (\alpha_1(\alpha_2(\alpha_1\alpha_j)) \dots)).$$

In the same way as the above, taking into account to two α_i 's at the both ends of $((\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i))$, if we use the Bol-Moufang condition on the right side of this equation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_i)) (\alpha_1 \dots (\alpha_1(\alpha_2(\alpha_1\alpha_j)) \dots)) \\ &= \alpha_i \{((\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_1)) (\alpha_i(\alpha_1 \dots (\alpha_2(\alpha_1\alpha_j)) \dots))\}. \end{aligned}$$

Further, if we use again the Bol-Moufang condition for the part $\{((\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_1)) (\alpha_i(\alpha_1 \dots (\alpha_1\alpha_j)) \dots)\}$ on the right side of the above, we obtain

$$\alpha_i \{ \alpha_1 \{ ((\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_2)) (\alpha_1(\alpha_i(\alpha_1(\dots(\alpha_2(\alpha_1\alpha_j)) \dots))) \} \}.$$

Hence we have the required result by repeating the same processes.

Case 4: $j=i, l \geq i+1$: We may prove this case in the same way as that of the case 3.

Case 5: $i+1 \leq j < l$: We show that when we rewrite β_i by α_k 's the arrangement of the letters in $[\beta_j \dots \beta_i \dots \beta_j]$ coincides with that of α_k 's in $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_i]$. It is sufficient to prove it about the left half product. Since $\beta_k (k=i+1, i+2, \dots, j)$ contains only one $\alpha_{k+1} (k=i+1, i+2, \dots, j)$ respectively, only one α_j appears between α_{j+1} and α_{l+1} and only one α_{j-1} appears between α_{j+1} and α_j , and between α_j and α_{l+1} respectively in the sequence of $\beta_i, \beta_j, \beta_{j-1}, \dots, \beta_{i+1}$ in the course of the construction of the product $[\beta_j \dots \beta_i]$. Continuing the same considerations we may see that the arrangement and numbers of $\alpha_{l+1}, \alpha_{j+1}, \alpha_j, \dots, \alpha_{i+2}$ in $[\beta_j \dots \beta_i]$ coincide with those of them in the part $\alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1}$ of $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1}]$. Since each of $\beta_i, \beta_j, \dots, \beta_{i+1}$ does not contain α_{i+1} , when we put $\beta_i = \alpha_{i+1}$ in the middle of each adjacent pair of letters in the sequence constructed by $\beta_i, \beta_j, \dots, \beta_{i+1}$, only one α_{i+1} appears in the middle of each adjacent pair of letters in the sequence of $\alpha_{l+1}, \alpha_{j+1}, \alpha_j, \dots, \alpha_{i+2}$ in $[\beta_j \dots \beta_i]$. Further, since each of $\beta_i, \beta_j, \dots, \beta_{i+1}$ contains α_i 's on both ends and each of $\beta_{i-1}, \beta_{i-2}, \dots, \beta_1$ does not contain α_i , the arrangement of $\alpha_{l+1}, \alpha_{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_i$ in $[\beta_j \dots \beta_i]$ is the same as that of $\alpha_{l+1}, \alpha_{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_i$ in $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1}]$. Moreover, since $\beta_{i-1} = \alpha_{i-1}, \dots, \beta_1 = \alpha_1$ and the arrangement

of α_k 's in each of $\beta_l, \dots, \beta_{l+1}$ is the same as that of α_k 's in the construction of $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1}]$, we may see that the arrangement of α_k 's in $[\beta_j \dots \beta_l]$ is the same as that of $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1}]$. Therefore the arrangement of α_k 's in $[\beta_j \dots \beta_l \dots \beta_j]$ is the same as that of α_k 's in $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_i]$.

We prove that $[\beta_j \dots \beta_l \dots \beta_j] = [\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_i]$ in the Bol-Moufang loop Γ . First, in the same way as the case 3, we have that $[\beta_{i+1} \dots \beta_j]$ at the right end of $[\beta_j \dots \beta_l \dots \beta_j]$ is equal to $[\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{i+2} \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_i]$. Next, we can prove $[\beta_{i+2} \dots \beta_j] = [\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{i+3} \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_i]$, where $[\beta_{i+2} \dots \beta_j]$ is the part of the right end of $[\beta_j \dots \beta_l \dots \beta_j]$. Continuing these processes as often as β_s ($s \geq i+1$) appears, we obtain $[\beta_j \dots \beta_l \dots \beta_j] = [\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{l+1} \dots \alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_i]$.

In the same way as the above, we may prove that the following lemma.

LEMMA 2. *If we denote $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{i-1}, [\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_i], \alpha_{i+2}, \alpha_{i+3}, \dots, \alpha_{n+1}$ by $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n$ respectively, then it holds that*

$$[\beta_j \dots \beta_l \dots \beta_j] = \begin{cases} [\alpha_j \dots \alpha_l \dots \alpha_j] & (j < l < i \leq n), \\ [\alpha_j \dots \alpha_i \dots \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_i \dots \alpha_j] & (j < i, l = i < n), \\ [\alpha_j \dots \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_j] & (j < i, i+1 \leq l < n), \\ [\alpha_i \dots \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_i] & (j = i, i+1 \leq l < n), \\ [\alpha_{j+1} \dots \alpha_{i+1} \dots \alpha_{j+1}] & (i+1 \leq j < l < n). \end{cases}$$

NOTE. By the method of the above proof, we may see that the similar lemmas, concerning the half product $[\beta_j \dots \beta_n]$ as the lemmas 1 and 2, hold.

Under these preparations, we shall construct the M -cohomology group of a Bol-Moufang loop Γ over an abelian group G .

In the following, we shall prove the theorem:

THEOREM 1. *If f is any cochain, then $\partial(\partial f) = 0$.*

PROOF. In the case where $n=0$ and $n=1$, we may prove this by simple calculations. So, we assume $n \geq 2$. If f is an n -dimensional cochain, then $\partial(\partial f)$ is an $(n+2)$ -dimensional cochain. When we express $\partial(\partial f)(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n+2})$ in terms of the values of ∂f , using the definition (1), we obtain

$$\partial(\partial f)(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n+2}) = u(\partial f; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n+2}) - u(\partial f; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n+1}, \varepsilon) \bar{\alpha}_{n+2}.$$

Further, we express each term in $u(\partial f; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n+2})$ and $u(\partial f; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n+1}, \varepsilon)$ in terms of the values of f , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial(\partial f)(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n+2}) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} \{u(f; \beta_{i1}, \beta_{i2}, \dots, \beta_{i(n+1)}) - u(f; \beta_{i1}, \beta_{i2}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \varepsilon) \bar{\beta}_{i(n+1)}\} \\
&- \sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} \{u(f; \beta_{i1}, \beta_{i2}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \beta'_{i(n+1)}) \bar{\alpha}_{n+2} - u(f; \beta_{i1}, \beta_{i2}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \varepsilon) \bar{\beta}'_{i(n+1)} \bar{\alpha}_{n+2}\},
\end{aligned}$$

where $u(f; \beta_{i1}, \beta_{i2}, \dots, \beta_{i(n+1)}) - u(f; \beta_{i1}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \varepsilon) \bar{\beta}_{i(n+1)}$ is the expression obtained by expressing the i term of $u(\partial f; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n+2})$ in terms of the values of f and $\beta'_{i(n+1)}$ is the argument obtained by putting $\alpha_{n+2} = \varepsilon$ in $\beta_{i(n+1)}$. If we combine each of the terms in $\sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} u(f; \beta_{i1}, \dots, \beta_{i(n+1)})$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} u(f; \beta_{i1}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \beta'_{i(n+1)})$ with the other whose sign only differs from each other as we did in [5], we obtain that $\sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} u(f; \beta_{i1}, \dots, \beta_{i(n+1)}) = 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} u(f; \beta_{i1}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \beta'_{i(n+1)}) = 0$ (cf. [5], pp. 156–158). Further, from $\bar{\beta}'_{i(n+1)} \bar{\alpha}_{n+2} = \bar{\beta}_{i(n+1)}$, it follows that $-\sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} u(f; \beta_{i1}, \beta_{i2}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \varepsilon) \bar{\beta}_{i(n+1)} + \sum_{i=1}^{2(n+1)} u(f; \beta_{i1}, \dots, \beta_{in}, \varepsilon) \bar{\beta}'_{i(n+1)} \bar{\alpha}_{n+2} = 0$. Therefore we obtain $\partial(\partial f) = 0$.

We call an n -dimensional cochain f an n -dimensional M -cocycle if $\partial f = 0$. All n -dimensional M -cocycles form a subgroup of $C^n(\Gamma, G)$, which we denote by $Z^{*n}(\Gamma, G)$. For $n > 0$ the n -dimensional cochains that are M -coboundaries of some $(n-1)$ -dimensional cochains form also a subgroup of $C^n(\Gamma, G)$, which we denote by $B^{*n}(\Gamma, G)$. Since $\partial(\partial f) = 0$, we have $B^{*n}(\Gamma, G) \subset Z^{*n}(\Gamma, G)$. The factor group $H^{*n}(\Gamma, G) = Z^{*n}(\Gamma, G)/B^{*n}(\Gamma, G)$ is called the n -th M -cohomology group of a Bol-Moufang loop Γ over an abelian group G .

In the following, we assume that $C^1(\Gamma, G)$ and $C^2(\Gamma, G)$ are the groups of the normalized cochains f , that is, $f(\varepsilon) = 0$ and $f(\alpha, \varepsilon) = 0 = f(\varepsilon, \beta)$.

§ 2. Extensions of a group by a Bol-Moufang loop

We shall proceed to classify all BM -extensions of a group G by a Bol-Moufang loop Γ by making use of the 2nd and 3rd M -cohomology groups constructed in §1.

A loop L is called a BM -extension of G by Γ if it satisfies the following conditions: (i) L is a Bol-Moufang loop, (ii) L contains a normal subgroup G' which is isomorphic to G , (iii) $L/G' \cong \Gamma$, (iv) G' is contained in the nucleus of L , where the nucleus is a subgroup consisted of elements α which satisfies the conditions: $(\alpha x)y = \alpha(xy)$, $(xa)y = x(\alpha y)$ and $(xy)\alpha = x(y\alpha)$. (Usually we identify G' with G). Further, we define the equivalence of two BM -extensions of G by Γ exactly as in the case Γ is a group (cf. [5], pp. 153). Then we can prove the following propositions by the same methods as those where Γ is a group (cf. [5], pp. 152–154).

PROPOSITION 1. *For a given BM-extension of a group G by a Bol-Moufang loop Γ , there exists a system of elements $f(\alpha, \beta)$ of G and a system of automorphisms T_α which satisfy the conditions:*

$$\alpha T_\alpha T_\beta = \alpha T_{\alpha\beta} T_{f(\alpha, \beta)} \quad a \in G,$$

$$f(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma])f(\beta, \alpha\gamma)f(\alpha, \gamma) = f([\alpha\beta\alpha], \gamma) (f(\alpha, \beta\alpha)T_\gamma) (f(\beta, \alpha)T_\gamma),$$

$$f(\alpha, \varepsilon) = e = f(\varepsilon, \beta).$$

Conversely, to every system of elements $f(\alpha, \beta)$ and every system of automorphisms T_α of G which satisfy the above conditions, there corresponds a BM-extension of G by Γ .

A set of elements $f(\alpha, \beta)$ of G which satisfy the above conditions is called a M -factor set.

PROPOSITION 2. *Two BM-extensions L and L' of a group G by a Bol-Moufang loop Γ which are given by the M -factor sets $f(\alpha, \beta)$ and $f'(\alpha, \beta)$, and automorphisms T_α and T'_α respectively, are equivalent if and only if every element α of Γ can be associated with an element $c_\alpha (c_\varepsilon = e)$ of G in such a way that the following conditions are satisfied:*

$$f'(\alpha, \beta) = c_{\alpha\beta}^{-1} f(\alpha, \beta) (c_\alpha T_\beta) c_\beta,$$

$$T'_\alpha = T_\alpha T_{c_\alpha}.$$

We prepare some lemmas to investigate the set of all BM-extensions of G by Γ . In the same way as in the previous paper, for a given BM-extension L of G by Γ there exists a homomorphism θ on Γ into $\text{Aut } G/\text{In } G$ defined by $\alpha \rightarrow T_\alpha(\text{In } G)$, which is called the homomorphism associated with this BM-extension L .

Let now G, Γ and a homomorphism $\theta: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Aut } G/\text{In } G$ be given. Then the homomorphism θ induces a homomorphism $\theta_0: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Aut } C$. So, we may regard Γ as an operator set of the center C of G . Therefore, we may construct the M -cohomology group $H^{*n}(\Gamma, C)$, using the methods in §1. If in every coset $\theta(\alpha)$ of $\text{In } G$ in $\text{Aut } G$, we choose a representative φ_α , where φ_ε is the identity automorphism, then there exist the elements $h(\alpha, \beta)$ of G such that $\varphi_\alpha \varphi_\beta = \varphi_{\alpha\beta} T_{h(\alpha, \beta)}$, where $h(\alpha, \varepsilon) = e = h(\varepsilon, \beta)$. Using the Bol-Moufang condition to the representatives $\varphi_\alpha, \varphi_\beta$ and φ_γ and taking into account that for $\alpha \in G, \varphi \in \text{Aut } G$ it holds that $\varphi^{-1} T_\alpha \varphi = T_{(\alpha\varphi)}$, we can see that there exists an element $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ of C such that

$$(2) \quad h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma])h(\beta, \alpha\gamma)h(\alpha, \gamma) = z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)h([\alpha\beta\alpha], \gamma) (\{h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha)\} \varphi_\gamma).$$

So, for given G , Γ and θ , there exists an element $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ of $C^3(\Gamma, C)$. We can prove that in the case where Γ is a Bol-Moufang loop, the following lemmas concerning $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, which are similar to those in the previous paper, also hold.

LEMMA 3. *A 3-dimensional cochain $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ is an element of $z^{*3}(\Gamma, C)$.*

PROOF. We calculate the expression:

$$J = h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h(\alpha, [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h(\gamma, [\alpha\beta\alpha\delta]) \\ \cdot h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\delta])h(\beta, \alpha\delta)h(\alpha, \delta)$$

in two ways. First, we begin with the calculations of the first three factors and the last three factors, using (2). Then we have:

$$J = z^*(\alpha, \beta, [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\alpha, \beta, \delta)h([\alpha\beta\alpha], [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h(\gamma, [\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h([\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta) \\ \cdot ((h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha))\varphi_{[\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta]}T_{h(\gamma, [\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h([\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta)})((h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha))\varphi_\delta) \\ = z^*(\alpha, \beta, [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\alpha, \beta, \delta)z^*([\alpha\beta\alpha], \gamma, \delta)h([\alpha\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta)((h([\alpha\beta\alpha], [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha]) \\ \cdot h(\gamma, [\alpha\beta\alpha]))\varphi_\delta)((h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha))\varphi_\gamma\varphi_{[\alpha\beta\alpha]}\varphi_\delta)((h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha))\varphi_\delta) \\ = z^*(\alpha, \beta, [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\alpha, \beta, \delta)z^*([\alpha\beta\alpha], \gamma, \delta)h([\alpha\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta)(h([\alpha\beta\alpha], [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])\varphi_\delta) \\ \cdot (\{(h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha))\varphi_{[\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha]}\}h(\gamma, [\alpha\beta\alpha])\}\varphi_\delta)((h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha))\varphi_\delta).$$

Next, we begin with the calculation of the middle three factors by applying (2). Then we obtain:

$$J = z^*(\alpha, \gamma, [\beta\alpha\delta])h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha\delta])h([\alpha\gamma\alpha], [\beta\alpha\delta])h(\beta, \alpha\delta) \\ \cdot ((h(\alpha, \gamma\alpha)h(\gamma, \alpha))\varphi_\beta\varphi_{\alpha\delta})h(\alpha, \delta) \\ = z^*(\alpha, \gamma, [\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha\delta)h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta] (\alpha\delta))h([\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta], \alpha\delta)h(\alpha, \delta) \\ \cdot (\{h(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta])h([\alpha\gamma\alpha], \beta)\}\varphi_\alpha\varphi_\delta)(\{h(\alpha, \gamma\alpha)h(\gamma, \alpha)\}\varphi_\beta\varphi_\alpha\varphi_\delta) \\ = z^*(\alpha, \gamma, [\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha\delta)z^*(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta], \delta)h([\alpha\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta) \\ \cdot (h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])\varphi_\delta)(\{h(\beta, (\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta)), \alpha\}(\{h(\beta, (\alpha(\gamma\alpha))\beta)h([\alpha\gamma\alpha], \beta)\}\varphi_\alpha)\}\varphi_\delta) \\ \cdot (\{h(\alpha, \gamma\alpha)h(\gamma, \alpha)\}\varphi_\beta\varphi_\alpha\varphi_\delta) \\ = z^*(\alpha, \gamma, [\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha\delta)z^*(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta], \delta) \\ \cdot (z^{*-1}(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha)\varphi_\delta)h([\alpha\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta)(\{h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])h(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])\}\varphi_\delta) \\ \cdot (\{h([\alpha\gamma\alpha], \beta\alpha)((h(\alpha, \gamma\alpha)h(\gamma, \alpha))\varphi_{\beta\alpha})\}\varphi_\delta)(h(\beta, \alpha)\varphi_\delta)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= z^*(\alpha, \gamma, [\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha\delta)z^*(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta], \delta)(z^{*-1}(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha)\varphi_\delta) \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot (z^{*-1}(\alpha, \gamma, \beta\alpha)\varphi_\delta)h([\alpha\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta) (\{h(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])h(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])\} \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot h(\alpha, [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])h(\gamma, [\alpha\beta\alpha])h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha)\} \varphi_\delta) \\
 &= z^*(\alpha, \gamma, [\beta\alpha\delta])z^*(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha\delta)z^*(\alpha, [\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta], \delta)(z^{*-1}(\beta, [\alpha\gamma\alpha], \alpha)\varphi_\delta) \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot (Z^{*-1}(\alpha, \gamma, \beta\alpha)\varphi_\delta)(z^*(\alpha, \beta, [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha])\varphi_\delta)h([\alpha\beta\alpha\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha], \delta) (\{h([\alpha\beta\alpha], [\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha]) \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot ((h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha))\varphi_{[\gamma\alpha\beta\alpha]})h(\gamma, [\alpha\beta\alpha])\} \varphi_\delta) (\{h(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h(\beta, \alpha)\} \varphi_\delta).
 \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the above two calculations, we have $\partial z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta) = 0$.

The M -cocycle $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ depends on the choice of the representatives φ_α and of the elements $h(\alpha, \beta)$. In the following we investigate the change of $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ for different choices of $h(\alpha, \beta)$ and φ_α . Taking into account that we must consider what order to multiply the letters in Γ as we did in the above lemma, we have the following lemmas by the same methods as used in the previous paper (cf. [5], pp. 161–162).

LEMMA 4. *If the choice of $h(\alpha, \beta)$ is changed, then $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ is changed to a cohomologous M -cocycle. By suitably changing the choice of $h(\alpha, \beta)$, $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ may be changed to any M -cohomologous cocycle.*

Using the expression

$$M = c([\alpha\beta\alpha\gamma])z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)h'([\alpha\beta\alpha], \gamma) (\{h'(\alpha, \beta\alpha)h'(\beta, \alpha)\} \varphi'_\gamma),$$

we have the following:

LEMMA 5. *If the automorphisms φ_α are changed, then with a suitable new choice of $h(\alpha, \beta)$ the 3-dimensional M -cocycle $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ remains unchanged.*

Thus, we have proved that only one element of $H^{*3}(\Gamma, G)$ corresponds to the given group G , the Bol-Moufang loop Γ and the homomorphism θ . After S. MacLane, we call a pair of a Bol-Moufang loop Γ and a group G together with a homomorphism $\theta: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Aut } G/\text{In } G$ an *abstract kernel* and denote by (Γ, G, θ) . The unique element of $H^{*3}(\Gamma, G)$ determined by a given abstract kernel (Γ, G, θ) is called an obstruction of it and denoted by $\text{Obs}(\Gamma, G, \theta)$.

Then, we have the following theorem in the similar way as that where Γ is a group (cf. [5] pp. 162–163).

THEOREM 2. *The abstract kernel (Γ, G, θ) has a BM -extension if and only if $\text{Obs}(\Gamma, G, \theta) = 0$.*

We now give a survey of the non-equivalent BM -extensions of G by Γ .

In the case that Γ is a Bol-Moufang loop, we can obtain similar results to those in the case that Γ is a group.

When G is an abelian group and Γ is a Bol-Moufang loop, we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 3. *If G , Γ and a homomorphism $\theta: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Aut } G$ are given, there always exists a BM -extension of G by Γ and all non-equivalent BM -extensions correspond one-to-one to the elements of the second M -cohomology group $H^{*2}(\Gamma, G)$.*

PROOF. Since G is an abelian group, the 3-dimensional M -cocycle $z^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ corresponding to the abstract kernel (Γ, G, θ) is an M -coboundary from the definition (2). Hence, from the theorem 2, there exists a BM -extension of G by Γ .

On account of the 2nd and 3rd conditions of the proposition 1, to a given BM -extension of G by Γ there corresponds a 2-dimensional M -cocycle, i.e., M -factor set. Conversely, for every 2-dimensional M -cocycle there exists a BM -extension of G by Γ from the proposition 1. Further, the proposition 2 shows that the two M -factor sets which correspond to two equivalent BM -extensions are cohomologous. Hence we have proved the theorem 3.

When G is a non-abelian group, taking into account the theorem 2, the following theorem is proved in the same way as that where Γ is a group (cf. [5], pp. 162–163).

THEOREM 4. *Let a non-abelian group G with the center C , a Bol-Moufang loop Γ and a homomorphism $\theta: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Aut } G/\text{In } G$ be given. If the obstruction of the abstract kernel (Γ, G, θ) is zero, there exists a BM -extension of G by Γ and all non-equivalent BM -extensions of G by Γ are in one-to-one correspondence with the elements of the second M -cohomology group $H^{*2}(\Gamma, C)$.*

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