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## Bimultiplications and Annihilators of Crossed Modules in Associative Algebras

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**Abstract** — In this paper, we present a generalization of the concept of the bimultiplication algebra by defining the bimultiplication of crossed modules in associative algebras. Using this structure, we construct the actor of a crossed module in associative algebras, and we obtain annihilators of crossed modules as the kernel of a crossed module morphism from a crossed module to its actor. Moreover, we construct a link between this morphism and a crossed square, two-dimensional crossed module.

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### 1. Introduction

In the case of groups, the description of an action is provided by the automorphism group. The action of any group  $A$  on itself is given by a group homomorphism  $A \rightarrow \text{Aut}(A)$ . In some other algebraic contexts, automorphism structure is not enough to give an action. The set of automorphisms of an associative algebra is not usually an algebra. For associative algebra case, the bimultiplication algebra  $\text{Bim}(G)$  of an associative algebra  $G$  which is defined by Lane [1] will accomplish the role of an automorphism group.

The concept of a crossed module for groups is defined in [2, 3] by Whitehead. The commutative algebra version of crossed modules is mentioned in a different name, by Lichtenbaum and Schlessinger [4] also, the paper of Gerstenhaber [5] contains the notion of crossed modules in commutative algebras. The notion of crossed modules in associative algebras is defined by Dedecker and Lue in [6].

In [7], Norrie improved Lue's work [8], and she defined the concept of an actor of crossed modules for groups as analogue of an automorphism group. For commutative algebras, Arvasi and the first author explained that this notion is related to the multiplication algebra in [9]. In this paper based on the second author's PhD dissertation [10], our starting point is the generalization of the bimultiplication algebra. For this, we define the bimultiplication of crossed modules for associative algebras and give details of the construction of actor crossed module for associative algebras via this context. The notion of actor crossed module is also studied simultaneously by Boyacı et al. in [11] as the split extension classifier of a crossed module. By constructing a morphism under certain conditions from a crossed module and its actor, we get the action of any crossed modules in associative algebras on itself. Since the annihilator of an algebra  $A$  is given by the kernel of algebra homomorphism  $A \rightarrow \text{Bim}(A)$ ,

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we have a similar notion for a crossed modules in associative algebras via the kernel of the above-mentioned morphism between a crossed module and its actor. Also, while we get  $A \rightarrow \text{Bim}(A)$  crossed module as a two-dimensional associative algebra via an algebra  $A$ , we can have a crossed square as a two-dimensional crossed module via an appropriate crossed module morphism.

## 2. Preliminary

Conventions: Throughout this paper, it is supposed that  $K$  is a fixed commutative ring with identity  $1 \neq 0$ ,  $K$ -algebra  $G$  is a unitary  $K$ -bimodule  $G$  equipped with a  $K$ -bilinear associative multiplication and also if  $G$  is a  $K$ -algebra, then a  $G$ -algebra  $C$  is a  $G$ -bimodule equipped with a  $G$ -bilinear associative multiplication.  $C$  will not necessarily have identities.

We recall the definition of a crossed module in associative algebras [12].

**Definition 2.1.** A crossed module in associative  $K$ -algebras is a morphism from a  $G$ -algebra  $C$  to a  $K$ -algebra  $G$ ,  $\delta : C \rightarrow G$ , with two-sided actions of  $G$  on  $C$  satisfying

$$\text{CM1) } \delta(g \cdot c) = g\delta(c) \text{ and } \delta(c \cdot g) = \delta(c)g$$

$$\text{CM2) } \delta c \cdot c' = cc' \text{ and } c \cdot \delta c' = cc'$$

for all  $c \in C, g \in G$ . It is denoted by  $(C, G, \delta)$ .

The following are some standard examples of crossed modules in associative algebras:

- i.* An inclusion map  $I \hookrightarrow G$  is a crossed module, where  $I$  is any two-sided ideal in  $G$ . On the other hand, let  $\delta : C \rightarrow G$  be any crossed module. Then, we get that  $\delta(C)$  is a two sided ideal in  $G$  by CM1.
- ii.* Any  $G$ -bimodule  $M$  has a  $G$ -algebra structure with zero multiplication. Thus, we get the crossed module  $\mathbf{0} : M \rightarrow G, \mathbf{0}(m) = 0$ . Conversely, the kernel of crossed module  $\delta : N \rightarrow G$  is an  $G/\delta(N)$ -bimodule.

Thus, the concept of crossed modules in associative algebras is a generalisation the concepts both of a two-sided ideal and that of a bimodule over an algebra. Also, any associative algebra is considered as a crossed modules by identity map  $Id : G \rightarrow G$ .

**Definition 2.2.** A pair  $(f, \phi)$  of  $G$ -algebra morphisms  $f : C \rightarrow C', \phi : G \rightarrow G'$  such that

$$f(g \cdot c) = \phi(g) \cdot f(c) \quad \text{and} \quad f(c \cdot g) = f(c) \cdot \phi(g)$$

for  $c \in C, g \in G$  is called a morphism of crossed modules from  $(C, G, \delta)$  to  $(C', G', \delta')$ .

Thus, we get the category  $\text{AssXMod}$  of crossed modules in associative algebras.

The *kernel* of  $(f, \phi)$  and the image  $\text{Im}(f, \phi)$  are defined by  $(\ker f, \ker \phi, \delta)$  and  $(\text{Im}f, \text{Im}\phi, \delta')$ , respectively.

**Definition 2.3.** A crossed module  $(C', G', \delta')$  is called a *subcrossed module* of a crossed module  $(C, G, \delta)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

- i.*  $C'$  and  $G'$  are the subalgebra of  $C$  and  $G$ , respectively
- ii.*  $\delta' = \delta|_{C'}$
- iii.* The action of  $G'$  on  $C'$  inherits from the action of  $G$  on  $C$

The image  $\text{Im}(f, \phi)$  of  $(f, \phi)$  is the subcrossed module  $(\text{Im}f, \text{Im}\phi, \delta')$  of  $(C, G, \delta)$ .

**Definition 2.4.** A subcrossed module  $(C', G', \delta')$  of  $(C, G, \delta)$  is called an *ideal* if

- i.  $G'$  is an two sided ideal of  $G$
- ii.  $g \cdot c' \in C'$
- iii.  $g' \cdot c \in C'$

for all  $g \in G, g' \in G', c \in C, c' \in C'$ .

If  $(f, \phi) : (C, G, \delta) \rightarrow (C', G', \delta')$  is any crossed module morphism,  $(\ker f, \ker \phi, \delta)$  is an ideal of  $(C, R, \delta)$  and  $(\text{Im} f, \text{Im} \phi, \delta')$  is a subcrossed module of  $(C', G', \delta')$ .

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $(R, S, \delta')$  be an ideal of  $(C, G, \delta)$ . Then,  $\bar{\delta} : C/R \rightarrow G/S, \bar{\delta}(c + R) = \delta(c) + S$  is a crossed module with  $(g + S) \cdot (c + R) = (g \cdot c) + R$  and  $(c + R) \cdot (g + S) = (c \cdot g) + R$ . It is called the quotient crossed module of  $(C, G, \delta)$  by  $(R, S, \delta')$  and denoted by  $\frac{(C, G, \delta)}{(R, S, \delta')}$ .

### 3. Actor Crossed Modules in Associative Algebras

#### 3.1. A Bimultiplier of a Crossed Module

We recall the structure of the  $R$ -algebra of bimultipliers of  $C$ ,  $\text{Bim}(C)$  [1, 13].  $\text{Bim}(C)$  consists of all pairs  $(\gamma, \delta)$  of  $R$ -linear mappings  $\gamma, \delta : C \rightarrow C$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(cc') &= \gamma(c) \cdot c', \\ \delta(cc') &= c \cdot \delta(c'), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$c \cdot \gamma(c') = \delta(c) \cdot c'$$

It has an  $R$ -module structure and a product

$$(\gamma, \delta) \cdot (\gamma', \delta') = (\gamma \circ \gamma', \delta' \circ \delta)$$

Suppose that  $\text{Ann}(C) = 0$  or  $C^2 = C$ . Then,  $\text{Bim}(C)$  acts on  $C$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bim}(C) \times C &\rightarrow C; & ((\gamma, \delta), c) &\mapsto \gamma(c), \\ C \times \text{Bim}(C) &\rightarrow C; & (c, (\gamma, \delta)) &\mapsto \delta(c) \end{aligned}$$

and there is a

$$\begin{aligned} \mu : C &\rightarrow \text{Bim}(C) \\ c &\mapsto (\gamma_c, \delta_c) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\gamma_c(x) = c \cdot x \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_c(x) = x \cdot c$$

We give the following result from their work of Lavendhomme and Lucas [14].

**Proposition 3.1.** Let  $G$  be a  $K$ -algebra such that  $\text{Ann}(G) = 0$  or  $G^2 = G$ . Then,  $(G, \text{Bim}(G), (\gamma, \sigma))$  is a crossed module.

PROOF.  $\text{Bim}(G)$  acts on  $G$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bim}(G) \times G &\rightarrow G & \text{and} & & G \times \text{Bim}(G) &\rightarrow G \\ ((\gamma', \sigma'), g) &\mapsto \gamma'(g) & & & (g, (\gamma', \sigma')) &\mapsto \sigma'(g) \end{aligned}$$

and there is a  $(\gamma, \sigma) : G \rightarrow \text{Bim}(G)$  defined by  $(\gamma, \sigma)(g) = (\gamma'_g, \sigma'_g)$  with  $\gamma'_g(g') = gg'$  and  $\sigma'_g(g') = g'g$  for all  $g, g' \in G$ .

CM1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma, \sigma)((\gamma', \sigma') \cdot g) &= (\gamma, \sigma)(\gamma'(g)) \\
 &= (\gamma'_{\gamma'(g)}, \sigma'_{\gamma'(g)}) \\
 &\stackrel{(*)}{=} (\gamma' \gamma'(g), \sigma'(g) \sigma') \\
 &= (\gamma', \sigma')(\gamma'(g), \sigma'(g)) \\
 &= (\gamma', \sigma')((\gamma, \sigma)(g))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (*) \quad (\gamma'_{\gamma'(g)})(g') &= \gamma'(g)g' & (\sigma'_{\gamma'(g)})(g') &= g'\gamma'(g) \\
 &= \gamma'(gg') & &= \sigma'(g')g \\
 &= \gamma'(\gamma'_g(g')) & &= \sigma'_g(\sigma'(g')) \\
 &= (\gamma' \gamma'(g))(g') & &= (\sigma'(g)\sigma')(g')
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma, \sigma)(g \cdot (\gamma', \sigma')) &= (\gamma, \sigma)(\sigma'(g)) \\
 &= (\gamma'_{\sigma'(g)}, \sigma'_{\sigma'(g)}) \\
 &\stackrel{(*)}{=} (\gamma'(g)\gamma', \sigma'\sigma'(g)) \\
 &= (\gamma'(g), \sigma'(g))(\gamma', \sigma') \\
 &= ((\gamma, \sigma)(g))(\gamma', \sigma')
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (*) \quad (\gamma'_{\sigma'(g)})(g') &= \sigma'(g)g' & (\sigma'_{\sigma'(g)})(g') &= g'\sigma'(g) \\
 &= g\gamma'(g') & &= \sigma'(g')g \\
 &= \gamma'_g(\gamma'(g')) & &= \sigma'(\sigma'_g(g')) \\
 &= (\gamma'(g)\gamma')(g') & &= (\sigma'\sigma'(g))(g')
 \end{aligned}$$

CM2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 ((\gamma, \sigma)(g)) \cdot g' &= (\gamma'_g, \sigma'_g) \cdot g' & g \cdot ((\gamma, \sigma)(g')) &= g \cdot (\gamma'_{g'}, \sigma'_{g'}) \\
 &= \gamma'_g(g') & &= \sigma'_{g'}(g) \\
 &= gg' & &= gg'
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Definition 3.2.** A bimultiplier of the crossed module  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  is a pair of

$$(\lambda, \chi) = ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) : (T, L, \mu) \rightarrow (T, L, \mu)$$

satisfying the following conditions:

i.  $(\lambda = (\Theta, \Xi) : T \rightarrow T) \in \text{Bim}(T)$  and  $(\chi = (\Theta', \Xi') : L \rightarrow L) \in \text{Bim}(L)$

ii.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 T & \xrightarrow{\mu} & L \\
 \lambda=(\Theta, \Xi) \downarrow & & \downarrow \chi=(\Theta', \Xi') \\
 T & \xrightarrow{\mu} & L
 \end{array}$$

$$\chi\mu = \mu\lambda \quad (\Theta'\mu = \mu\Theta, \Xi'\mu = \mu\Xi)$$

and

iii. For  $l \in L, t \in T,$

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(l \cdot t) &= \Theta'(l) \cdot t \\ \Theta(t \cdot l) &= \Theta(t) \cdot l \\ \Xi(l \cdot t) &= l \cdot \Xi(t) \\ \Xi(t \cdot l) &= t \cdot \Xi'(l) \\ l \cdot \Theta(t) &= \Xi'(l) \cdot t \\ \Xi(t) \cdot l &= t \cdot \Theta'(l) \end{aligned}$$

The set of bimultipliers of the crossed module  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  will be denoted by  $Bim(T, L, \mu).$

**Proposition 3.3.** The set  $Bim(T, L, \mu)$  has an associative  $K$ -algebra structure with following operations:

$$\begin{aligned} +) & ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) + ((\bar{\Theta}, \bar{\Xi}), (\bar{\Theta}', \bar{\Xi}')) = ((\Theta + \bar{\Theta}, \Xi + \bar{\Xi}), (\Theta' + \bar{\Theta}', \Xi' + \bar{\Xi}')) \\ \cdot) & k((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) = (k\Theta, k\Xi), (k\Theta', k\Xi') \\ \circ) & ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ ((\bar{\Theta}, \bar{\Xi}), (\bar{\Theta}', \bar{\Xi}')) = ((\Theta \circ \bar{\Theta}, \Xi \circ \bar{\Xi}), (\Theta' \circ \bar{\Theta}', \Xi' \circ \bar{\Xi}')) \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. See for details [10]. □

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $(T, L, \mu)$  be a crossed module.  $\mathcal{U}(L, T)$  is the set of pair maps  $(\beta_1, \beta_2)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_1(l_1 l_2) &= \beta_1(l_1) \cdot l_2 \\ \beta_2(l_1 l_2) &= l_1 \cdot \beta_2(l_2) \\ l_1 \cdot \beta_1(l_2) &= \beta_2(l_1) \cdot l_2 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $l_1, l_2 \in L,$  where  $\beta_1, \beta_2 : L \rightarrow T,$  are  $K$ -linear maps.

$\mathcal{U}(L, T)$  has an associative  $K$ -algebra structure with the following operations:

$$\begin{aligned} +) & ((\beta_1, \beta_2) + (\theta_1, \theta_2)) = (\beta_1 + \theta_1, \beta_2 + \theta_2) \\ \cdot) & k(\beta_1, \beta_2) = (k\beta_1, k\beta_2) \\ \circ) & ((\beta_1, \beta_2) \circ (\theta_1, \theta_2)) = (\beta_1 \mu \theta_1, \theta_2 \mu \beta_2) \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.5.** Let  $(T, L, \mu)$  be a crossed module and  $(\beta_1, \beta_2) \in \mathcal{U}(L, T).$  Each such  $K$ -linear maps  $\beta_1, \beta_2 : L \rightarrow T$  defines bimultipliers  $(\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)$  of  $T$  and  $L$  respectively, given by  $\Theta_\beta = \beta_1 \mu,$   $\Xi_\beta = \beta_2 \mu, \Theta'_\beta = \mu \beta_1, \Xi'_\beta = \mu \beta_2.$

PROOF.

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_\beta(tt') &= \beta_1(\mu(tt')) \\ &= \beta_1(\mu(t)\mu(t')) \\ &= \beta_1(\mu(t)) \cdot \mu(t') \\ &= \Theta_\beta(t) \cdot \mu(t') \\ &= \Theta_\beta(t) \cdot t' \\ \Xi_\beta(tt') &= \beta_2(\mu(tt')) \\ &= \beta_2(\mu(t)\mu(t')) \\ &= \mu(t) \cdot \beta_2(\mu(t')) \\ &= \mu(t) \cdot \Xi_\beta(t') \\ &= t \cdot \Xi_\beta(t') \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 t\Theta_\beta(t') &= t\beta_1(\mu(t')) \\
 &= \mu(t) \cdot \beta_1(\mu(t')) \\
 &= \beta_2(\mu(t)) \cdot \mu(t') \\
 &= \beta_2(\mu(t))t' \\
 &= \Xi_\beta(t)t'
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $t, t' \in T$ . Thus,  $(\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta) \in \text{Bim}(T)$ . Similarly,  $(\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta) \in \text{Bim}(L)$ . □

**Proposition 3.6.** The bimultipliers  $\lambda_\beta = (\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta)$  of  $T$  and  $\chi_\beta = (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)$  of  $L$  satisfy the following conditions:

i.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Theta_\beta\beta_1 &= \beta_1\mu\beta_1 = \beta_1\Theta'_\beta & \text{and} & & \Xi_\beta\beta_2 &= \beta_2\mu\beta_2 = \beta_2\Xi'_\beta \\
 \Theta_\beta\beta_2 &= \beta_1\mu\beta_2 = \beta_1\Xi'_\beta & \text{and} & & \Xi_\beta\beta_1 &= \beta_2\mu\beta_1 = \beta_2\Theta'_\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

ii. The following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \xrightarrow{\mu} & \\
 T & \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\beta_1} \\ \xleftarrow{\beta_2} \end{array} & L \\
 \lambda_\beta = (\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta) \downarrow & & \downarrow \chi_\beta = (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta) \\
 T & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\mu} \\ \xleftarrow{\beta_1} \\ \xleftarrow{\beta_2} \end{array} & L
 \end{array}$$

is commutative, that is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu\Theta_\beta &= \mu(\beta_1\mu) = (\mu\beta_1)\mu = \Theta'_\beta\mu \\
 \mu\Xi_\beta &= \mu(\beta_2\mu) = (\mu\beta_2)\mu = \Xi'_\beta\mu
 \end{aligned}$$

iii.

$$(\lambda_\beta, \chi_\beta) = ((\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)) \in \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$$

**Proposition 3.7.** If  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  is a crossed module, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma : U(L, T) &\rightarrow \text{Bim}(T) \\
 (\beta_1, \beta_2) &\mapsto (\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta) = (\beta_1\mu, \beta_2\mu) \\
 \Phi : U(L, T) &\rightarrow \text{Bim}(L) \\
 (\beta_1, \beta_2) &\mapsto (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta) = (\mu\beta_1, \mu\beta_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

are algebra morphisms.

**Lemma 3.8.** Let  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  be a crossed module. Then, the left and right actions of  $\text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$  on  $U(L, T)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu) \times U(L, T) &\rightarrow U(L, T) \\
 ((\lambda, \chi), (\theta_1, \theta_2)) &\mapsto (\Theta\theta_1, \theta_2\Xi) \\
 U(L, T) \times \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu) &\rightarrow U(L, T) \\
 ((\theta_1, \theta_2), (\lambda, \chi)) &\mapsto (\theta_1\Theta', \Xi\theta_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $(\lambda, \chi) = ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))$

PROOF. Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\Theta\theta_1)(ll') &= \Theta(\theta_1(ll')) & (\theta_2\Xi')(ll') &= \theta_2(\Xi'(ll')) \\
 &= \Theta(\theta_1(l) \cdot l') & &= \theta_2(l\Xi'(l')) \\
 &= \Theta(\theta_1(l)) \cdot l' & &= l \cdot \theta_2(\Xi'(l')) \\
 &= ((\Theta\theta_1)(l)) \cdot l' & &= l \cdot ((\theta_2\Xi')(l'))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 l \cdot ((\Theta\theta_1)(l')) &= l \cdot (\Theta(\theta_1(l'))) \\
 &= \Xi'(l) \cdot \theta_1(l') \\
 &= \theta_2(\Xi'(l)) \cdot l' \\
 &= ((\theta_2\Xi')(l)) \cdot l'
 \end{aligned}$$

the left action of  $Bim(T, L, \mu)$  on  $U(L, T)$  is well defined. Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\theta_1\Theta')(ll') &= \theta_1(\Theta'(ll')) & (\Xi\theta_2)(ll') &= \Xi(\theta_2(ll')) \\
 &= \theta_1(\Theta'(l)l') & &= \Xi(l \cdot \theta_2(l')) \\
 &= (\theta_1(\Theta'(l))) \cdot l' & &= l \cdot \Xi(\theta_2(l')) \\
 &= ((\theta_1\Theta')(l)) \cdot l' & &= l \cdot ((\Xi\theta_2)(l')) \\
 \\
 l \cdot ((\theta_1\Theta')(l')) &= l \cdot (\theta_1(\Theta'(l'))) \\
 &= \theta_2(l) \cdot (\Theta'(l')) \\
 &= \Xi(\theta_2(l)) \cdot l' \\
 &= ((\Xi\theta_2)(l)) \cdot l'
 \end{aligned}$$

the right action of  $Bim(T, L, \mu)$  on  $U(L, T)$  is well defined.

Moreover, one sees that associative algebra action conditions are satisfied by routine calculations. (See for details [10]) □

The next theorem begins the analysis of the associative algebra version of the actor structure.

**Theorem 3.9.** If  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  is a crossed module, then the morphism

$$\Delta : U(L, T) \rightarrow Bim(T, L, \mu)$$

is a crossed module given by

$$\Delta(\beta_1, \beta_2) = ((\Theta_{\beta_1}, \Xi_{\beta_2}), (\Theta'_{\beta_1}, \Xi'_{\beta_2})) = ((\beta_1\mu, \beta_2\mu), (\mu\beta_1, \mu\beta_2)).$$

PROOF. The right and left actions of  $Bim(T, L, \mu)$  on  $\mathcal{U}(L, T)$  are given by

$$((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot (\theta_1, \theta_2) = (\Theta\theta_1, \theta_2\Xi')$$

and

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) = (\theta_1\Theta', \Xi\theta_2)$$

as mentioned before. We need to check the crossed module axioms:

For  $((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \in Bim(T, L, \mu), (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in U(L, T),$

CM1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta [((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot (\theta_1, \theta_2)] &= \Delta(\Theta\theta_1, \theta_2\Xi') \\
 &= (\Theta\theta_1\mu, \theta_2\Xi'\mu), (\mu\Theta\theta_1, \mu\theta_2\Xi') \\
 &= (\Theta\theta_1\mu, \theta_2\mu\Xi), (\Theta'\mu\theta_1, \mu\theta_2\Xi') \\
 &= ((\Theta \circ \Theta_\theta, \Xi_\theta \circ \Xi), (\Theta' \circ \Theta'_\theta, \Xi'_\theta \circ \Xi')) \\
 &= [((\Theta, \Xi) \circ (\Theta_\theta, \Xi_\theta)), ((\Theta', \Xi') \circ (\Theta'_\theta, \Xi'_\theta))] \\
 &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ ((\Theta'_\theta, \Xi'_\theta), (\Theta_\theta, \Xi_\theta)) \\
 &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ \Delta(\theta_1, \theta_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta [(\theta_1, \theta_2) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))] &= \Delta(\theta_1 \Theta', \Xi \theta_2) \\
 &= (\theta_1 \Theta' \mu, \Xi \theta_2 \mu), (\mu \theta_1 \Theta', \mu \Xi \theta_2) \\
 &= (\theta_1 \mu \Theta, \Xi \theta_2 \mu), (\mu \theta_1 \Theta', \Xi' \mu \theta_2) \\
 &= ((\Theta_\theta \circ \Theta, \Xi \circ \Xi_\theta), (\Theta'_\theta \circ \Theta', \Xi' \circ \Xi'_\theta)) \\
 &= [((\Theta_\theta, \Xi_\theta) \circ (\Theta, \Xi)), ((\Theta'_\theta, \Xi'_\theta) \circ (\Theta', \Xi'))] \\
 &= ((\Theta'_\theta, \Xi'_\theta), (\Theta_\theta, \Xi_\theta)) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \\
 &= \Delta(\theta_1, \theta_2) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))
 \end{aligned}$$

CM2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta(\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot (\theta_1, \theta_2) &= ((\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)) \cdot (\theta_1, \theta_2) \\
 &= (\Theta_\beta \theta_1, \theta_2 \Xi'_\beta) \\
 &= (\beta_1 \mu \theta_1, \theta_2 \mu \beta_2) \\
 &= (\beta_1, \beta_2) \circ (\theta_1, \theta_2) \\
 (\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot \Delta(\theta_1, \theta_2) &= (\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta_\theta, \Xi_\theta), (\Theta'_\theta, \Xi'_\theta)) \\
 &= (\beta_1 \Theta'_\theta, \Xi_\theta \beta_2) \\
 &= (\beta_1 \mu \theta_1, \theta_2 \mu \beta_2) \\
 &= (\beta_1, \beta_2) \circ (\theta_1, \theta_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

The crossed module  $(U(L, T), Bim(T, L, \mu), \Delta)$  will be called the “the actor crossed module” of  $(T, L, \mu)$  and it will be denoted by  $\mathcal{A}(T, L, \mu)$ .

**Lemma 3.10.** If  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  is a crossed module, then  $\eta : T \rightarrow U(L, T)$  given by  $\eta(t) = (\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t})$  is an algebra morphism where  $\eta_{1t}(l) = t \cdot l, \eta_{2t}(l) = l \cdot t$  and  $\eta(T)$  is an ideal of  $U(L, T)$ .

**Lemma 3.11.**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha : L &\rightarrow Bim(T, L, \mu) \\
 l &\mapsto ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l))
 \end{aligned}$$

is an algebra morphism where  $\Theta_l(t) = l \cdot t, \Theta'_l(l') = ll', \Xi_l(t) = t \cdot l, \Xi'_l(l') = l'l$ , and  $\alpha(L)$  is an ideal of  $Bim(T, L, \mu)$ .

**Theorem 3.12.** If  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  is a crossed module, then the morphism

$$(\eta, \alpha) : (T, L, \mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(T, L, \mu)$$

is a morphism of crossed modules where  $(\eta(t))(l) = \eta_t(l) = (\eta_{1t}(l), \eta_{2t}(l))$  and  $\alpha(l) = ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l))$ .

PROOF.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 T & \xrightarrow{\eta} & U(L, T) \\
 \mu \downarrow & & \downarrow \Delta \\
 L & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & Bim(T, L, \mu)
 \end{array}$$



i.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta\eta(t) &= \Delta\eta_t(l) \\
 &= \Delta(\eta_{1t}(l), \eta_{2t}(l)) \\
 &= [(\Theta_{\eta_{1t}}(t'), \Xi_{\eta_{2t}}(t')), (\Theta'_{\eta_{1t}}(l), \Xi'_{\eta_{2t}}(l))] \\
 &= [(\eta_{1t}\mu(t'), \eta_{2t}\mu(t')), (\mu\eta_{1t}(l), \mu\eta_{2t}(l))] \\
 &= [(t \cdot \mu(t'), \mu(t') \cdot t), (\mu(t \cdot l), \mu(l \cdot t))] \\
 &= [(\mu(t) \cdot t', t' \cdot \mu(t)), (\mu(t)l, l\mu(t))] \\
 &= [(\Theta_{\mu(t)}, \Xi_{\mu(t)}), (\Theta'_{\mu(t)}, \Xi'_{\mu(t)})] \\
 &= \alpha(\mu(t)) \\
 &= \alpha\mu(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

ii.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha(l) \circ \eta(t))(l') &= [((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \cdot (\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t})](l') \\
 &= (\Theta_l\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}\Xi'_l)(l') \\
 &= [\Theta_l\eta_{1t}(l'), \eta_{2t}\Xi'_l(l')] \\
 &= (\Theta_l(t \cdot l'), \eta_{2t}(l'l)) \\
 &= (l \cdot (t \cdot l'), (l'l) \cdot t) \\
 &= ((l \cdot t) \cdot l', l' \cdot (l \cdot t)) \\
 &= (\eta_{1l \cdot t}(l'), \eta_{2l \cdot t}(l')) \\
 &= \eta(l \cdot t)(l')
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\eta(t) \circ \alpha(l))(l') &= [(\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}) \cdot ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l))](l') \\
 &= (\eta_{1t}\Theta'_l, \Xi_l\eta_{2t})(l') \\
 &= [\eta_{1t}\Theta'_l(l'), \Xi_l\eta_{2t}(l')] \\
 &= (\eta_{1t}(l'l), \Xi_l(l' \cdot t)) \\
 &= (\eta_{1t}(l') \cdot l, (l' \cdot t) \cdot l) \\
 &= ((t \cdot l) \cdot l', (l' \cdot t) \cdot l) \\
 &= ((t \cdot l) \cdot l', l' \cdot (t \cdot l)) \\
 &= (\eta_{1t \cdot l}(l'), \eta_{2t \cdot l}(l')) \\
 &= \eta(t \cdot l)(l')
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Proposition 3.13.**  $Im(\eta, \alpha) = (Im(\eta), Im(\alpha))$  is an ideal of  $(\mathcal{U}(L, T), Bim(T, L, \mu), \Delta)$ .

PROOF.

i. For  $((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \in Bim(T, L, \mu), ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \in Im(\alpha)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) &= ((\Theta_l \circ \Theta, \Xi \circ \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l \circ \Theta', \Xi' \circ \Xi'_l)) \\
 &= ((\Theta_{\Xi'(l)}, \Xi_{\Xi'(l)}), (\Theta'_{\Xi'(l)}, \Xi'_{\Xi'(l)})) \in Im(\alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) = ((\Theta_{\Theta'(l)}, \Xi_{\Theta'(l)}), (\Theta'_{\Theta'(l)}, \Xi'_{\Theta'(l)})) \in Im(\alpha)$$

ii. For  $((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \in \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$ ,  $(\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}) \in \text{Im}(\eta)$ , since

$$[(\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')] \cdot (\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}) (l) = (\eta_{1\Theta(t)}, \eta_{2\Theta(t)})(l)$$

and

$$[(\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))] (l) = (\eta_{1\Xi(t)}, \eta_{2\Xi(t)})(l)$$

We get  $(\eta_{1\Theta(t)}, \eta_{2\Theta(t)})$  and  $(\eta_{1\Xi(t)}, \eta_{2\Xi(t)})$  belong to  $\text{Im}(\eta)$ .

iii. For  $((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \in \text{Im}(\alpha)$ ,  $(\beta_1, \beta_2) \in U(L, T)$ ,  $l' \in L$ , since

$$\begin{aligned} [((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \cdot (\beta_1, \beta_2)] (l') &= (\Theta_l \beta_1, \beta_2 \Xi'_l)(l') \\ &= (\Theta_l \beta_1(l'), \beta_2 \Xi'_l(l')) \\ &= (l \cdot \beta_1(l'), \beta_2(l'l)) \\ &= (l \cdot \beta_1(l'), l' \cdot \beta_2(l)) \\ &= (\beta_2(l) \cdot l', l' \cdot \beta_2(l)) \\ &= (\eta_{1\beta_2(l)}(l'), \eta_{2\beta_2(l)}(l')) \\ [(\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l))] (l') &= (\beta_1 \Theta'_l, \Xi_l \beta_2)(l') \\ &= (\beta_1(\Theta'_l(l')), \Xi_l(\beta_2(l'l))) \\ &= (\beta_1(l'l'), \beta_2(l') \cdot l) \\ &= (\beta_1(l) \cdot l', l' \cdot \beta_1(l)) \\ &= (\eta_{1\beta_1(l)}(l'), \eta_{2\beta_1(l)}(l')), \end{aligned}$$

then

$$[(\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)] \cdot (\beta_1, \beta_2) = (\eta_{1\beta_2(l)}, \eta_{2\beta_2(l)})$$

and

$$(\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) = (\eta_{1\beta_1(l)}, \eta_{2\beta_1(l)}) \in \text{Im}(\alpha)$$

□

#### 4. The Annihilator of a Crossed Module

In this section, our object is to generalise the notion of annihilator in associative algebras by using actor crossed module.

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $(T, L, \mu)$  be a crossed module. An annihilator of the crossed module in associative algebras is the kernel of the homomorphism

$$(\eta, \alpha) : (T, L, \mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(T, L, \mu)$$

and it is denoted by  $\text{Ann}(T, L, \mu)$ .

$$\text{Ann}(T, L, \mu) = \text{Ker}(\eta, \alpha) = (\text{Ann}_T(L), \text{Ann}_L(T) \cap \text{Ann}_L(L), \mu)$$

where

$$\text{Ker}\eta = \{t \in T \mid \eta_1(t) = 0, \eta_2(t) = 0\} = \{t \in T \mid t \cdot l = 0, l \cdot t = 0, l \in L\} = \text{Ann}_T(L)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ker}\alpha &= \{l \in L \mid \alpha(l) = ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) = (0, 0)\} \\ &= \{l \in L \mid \Theta_l(t) = l \cdot t = 0, \Xi_l(t) = t \cdot l = 0, \Theta'_l(l') = ll' = 0, \Xi'_l(l') = l'l = 0, t \in T, l' \in L\} \\ &= \text{Ann}_L(T) \cap \text{Ann}_L(L) \end{aligned}$$

$\text{Ann}(T, L, \mu)$  is a two sided ideal of the crossed module  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$ , because it is the kernel of a crossed module morphism under certain conditions.

### 5. An Application for Crossed Squares

It is considered that a crossed  $n$ -cubes is a higher dimensional analogous of crossed modules. If we take the case  $n = 2$ , a crossed square is obtained. As an associative algebra  $G$  gives rise to a crossed module  $\mu : G \rightarrow Bim(G)$ , that idea allows us to get an generalisation for higher dimension.

The definition of a crossed square in associative algebras is given by Ellis in [12]. Some related studies are [15], [16], and [17].

#### 5.1. Crossed Squares

If a commutative diagram of associative algebras

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & N \\ \mu \downarrow & & \downarrow \nu \\ L & \xrightarrow{\lambda'} & P \end{array}$$

satisfies the following axioms together with functions  $h : L \times N \rightarrow T$ ,  $h' : N \times L \rightarrow T$  and actions of  $P$  on  $T, L$  and  $N$ , then it is called as a crossed square:

- i.* The maps  $\mu, \lambda, \lambda', \nu$  and  $\nu\lambda$  are crossed modules.
- ii.* The maps  $\lambda, \mu$  preserve the action of  $P$ .
- iii.*  $kh(l, n) = h(kl, n) = h(l, kn)$   
 $kh'(n, l) = h'(kn, l) = h'(n, kl)$
- iv.*  $p \cdot h(l, n) = h(p \cdot l, n)$   
 $h(l, n) \cdot p = h(l, n \cdot p)$   
 $h(l \cdot p, n) = h(l, n \cdot p)$   
 $p \cdot h'(n, l) = h'(p \cdot n, l)$   
 $h'(n, l) \cdot p = h'(n, l \cdot p)$   
 $h'(n \cdot p, l) = h'(n, p \cdot l)$
- v.*  $h(l_1 + l_2, n) = h(l_1, n) + h(l_2, n)$   
 $h(l, n_1 + n_2) = h(l, n_1) + h(l, n_2)$   
 $h'(n_1 + n_2, l) = h'(n_1, l) + h'(n_2, l)$   
 $h'(n, l_1 + l_2) = h'(n, l_1) + h'(n, l_2)$
- vi.*  $\lambda h(l, n) = \lambda' l \cdot n, \lambda h'(n, l) = n \cdot \lambda' l$   
 $\lambda' h(l, n) = l \cdot \nu n, \lambda' h'(n, l) = \nu n \cdot l$
- vii.*  $h(l, \lambda t) = \lambda' l \cdot t, h'(\lambda t, l) = t \cdot \lambda' l$   
 $h(\mu t, n) = t \cdot \nu n, h'(n, \mu t) = \nu n \cdot t$
- viii.*  $n_2 \cdot h(l, n_1) = h'(n_2, l) \cdot n_2$   
 $l_2 \cdot h'(n, l_1) = h(l_2, n) \cdot l_1$

for all  $l, l_1, l_2 \in L, n, n_1, n_2 \in N, p \in P, t \in T, k \in K$ , where  $l \cdot t$  means  $\lambda'(l) \cdot t$ . There are actions of  $L$  on  $T$  and  $N$ , via  $\lambda'$ , and of  $N$  on  $T$  and  $L$  via  $\nu$ .

As a crossed module  $\mu : G \rightarrow \text{Bim}(G)$  arises from an associative algebra  $G$ , we have been able to deduce the result shown below:

**Theorem 5.1.** If  $\mu : T \rightarrow L$  is a crossed module, then the morphism

$$(\eta, \alpha) : (T, L, \mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(T, L, \mu)$$

gives rise to the crossed square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\eta=(\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t})} & U(L, T) \\ \mu \downarrow & & \downarrow \Delta \\ L & \xrightarrow{\alpha=((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l))} & \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu) \end{array}$$

with functions

$$\begin{aligned} h : U(L, T) \times L &\rightarrow T \\ ((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) &\mapsto h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) = \beta_1(l) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} h' : L \times U(L, T) &\rightarrow T \\ (l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) &\mapsto h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) = \beta_2(l) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$  acts on  $L$  and  $T$  via the appropriate projections.

PROOF.

i.  $\Delta : U(L, T) \rightarrow \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$  is a crossed module as mentioned before. Since

CM1)

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot l) &= \alpha(\Theta'_l) \\ &= ((\Theta_{\Theta'_l}, \Xi_{\Theta'_l}), (\Theta'_{\Theta'_l}, \Xi'_{\Theta'_l})) \\ &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \\ &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ \alpha(l) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(l \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))) &= \alpha(\Xi'_l) \\ &= ((\Theta_{\Xi'_l}, \Xi_{\Xi'_l}), (\Theta'_{\Xi'_l}, \Xi'_{\Xi'_l})) \\ &= ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \\ &= \alpha(l) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \end{aligned}$$

CM2)

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(l) \cdot l' &= ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \cdot l' \\ &= \Theta'_l(l') = ll' \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} l \cdot \alpha(l') &= l \cdot ((\Theta_{l'}, \Xi_{l'}), (\Theta'_{l'}, \Xi'_{l'})) \\ &= \Xi_{l'}(l) = ll', \end{aligned}$$

for  $((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \in \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu), l \in L, \alpha$  is a crossed module.

Also  $\chi = \alpha\mu = \Delta\eta$  is a crossed module, because

CM1)

$$\begin{aligned}
\chi(((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot t) &= \chi(\Theta_t) \\
&= \alpha\mu(\Theta_t) \\
&= ((\Theta_{\mu\Theta_t}, \Xi_{\mu\Theta_t}), (\Theta'_{\mu\Theta_t}, \Xi'_{\mu\Theta_t})) \\
&= ((\Theta_{\Theta'\mu_t}, \Xi_{\Theta'\mu_t}), (\Theta'_{\Theta'\mu_t}, \Xi'_{\Theta'\mu_t})) \\
&= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ ((\Theta_{\mu_t}, \Xi_{\mu_t}), (\Theta'_{\mu_t}, \Xi'_{\mu_t})) \\
&= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ \alpha\mu(t) \\
&= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ \chi(t)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\chi(t \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))) &= \chi(\Xi_t) \\
&= \alpha\mu(\Xi_t) \\
&= ((\Theta_{\mu\Xi_t}, \Xi_{\mu\Xi_t}), (\Theta'_{\mu\Xi_t}, \Xi'_{\mu\Xi_t})) \\
&= ((\Theta_{\Xi'\mu_t}, \Xi_{\Xi'\mu_t}), (\Theta'_{\Xi'\mu_t}, \Xi'_{\Xi'\mu_t})) \\
&= ((\Theta_{\mu_t}, \Xi_{\mu_t}), (\Theta'_{\mu_t}, \Xi'_{\mu_t})) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \\
&= \alpha\mu(t) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \\
&= \chi(t) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))
\end{aligned}$$

CM2)

$$\begin{aligned}
\chi(t) \cdot t' &= \alpha\mu(t) \cdot t' \\
&= ((\Theta_{\mu_t}, \Xi_{\mu_t}), (\Theta'_{\mu_t}, \Xi'_{\mu_t})) \cdot t' \\
&= \Theta_{\mu_t}(t') \\
&= \mu(t) \cdot t' \\
&= tt'
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
t \cdot \chi(t') &= t \cdot \alpha\mu(t') \\
&= t \cdot ((\Theta_{\mu_{t'}}, \Xi_{\mu_{t'}}), (\Theta'_{\mu_{t'}}, \Xi'_{\mu_{t'}})) \\
&= \Xi_{\mu_{t'}}(t) \\
&= t \cdot \mu(t') \\
&= tt'
\end{aligned}$$

for  $((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \in \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$ ,  $t \in T$ .

ii. Since

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha(((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot t) &= \mu(\Theta_t) \\
&= \Theta'\mu(t) \\
&= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \circ \mu(t) \\
\alpha(t \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))) &= \mu(\Xi_t) \\
&= \Xi'\mu(t) \\
&= \mu(t) \circ ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \eta(((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot t) &= \eta(\Theta_t) \\
 &= (\eta_{1\Theta_t}, \eta_{2\Theta_t}) \\
 &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot (\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}) \\
 &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot \eta(t) \\
 \eta(t \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))) &= \eta(\Xi_c) \\
 &= (\eta_{1\Xi_t}, \eta_{2\Xi_t}) \\
 &= (\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \\
 &= \eta(t) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \in \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$ ,  $t \in T$ ,  $\mu$  and  $\eta$  preserve the action of  $\text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$ .

iii.

$$\begin{aligned}
 kh((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) &= k(\beta_1(l)) \\
 &= k\beta_1(l) \\
 &= \beta_1(kl) \\
 &= h((\beta_1, \beta_2)(kl)) \\
 &= k(\beta_1(l)) \\
 &= (k(\beta_1))l \\
 &= h(k(\beta_1, \beta_2), l)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 kh'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) &= k(\beta_2(l)) \\
 &= k\beta_2(l) \\
 &= \beta_2(kl) \\
 &= h'((kg), (\beta_1, \beta_2)) \\
 &= k(\beta_2(l)) \\
 &= (k(\beta_2))l \\
 &= h'(l, k(\beta_1, \beta_2))
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $k \in K$ ,  $(\beta_1, \beta_2) \in U(L, T)$ ,  $l \in L$ .

iv. For  $((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \in \text{Bim}(T, L, \mu)$ ,  $l \in L$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot (h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l)) &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot \beta_1(l) \\
 &= \Theta_{\beta_1(l)} \\
 &= \Theta\beta_1(l) \\
 &= h((\Theta\beta_1, \beta_2\Xi'), l) \\
 &= h(((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot (\beta_1, \beta_2), l)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) &= \beta_1(l) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \\
 &= \Xi_{\beta_1(l)} \\
 &= \Xi\beta_1(l) \\
 &= \beta_1\Xi'_l \\
 &= h((\beta_1, \beta_2), \Xi'_l) \\
 &= h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 h(((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot (\beta_1, \beta_2), l) &= h((\Theta\beta_1, \beta_2\Xi'), l) \\
 &= \Theta_{\beta_1(l)} \\
 &= \Theta\beta_1(l) \\
 &= \beta_1\Theta'(l) \\
 &= h((\beta_1\Theta', \Xi\beta_2), l) \\
 &= h(((\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l))), l) \\
 ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot (h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2))) &= ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot \beta_2(l) \\
 &= \Theta_{\beta_2(l)} \\
 &= \Theta\beta_2(l) \\
 &= \beta_2\Theta'(l) \\
 &= h'(\Theta'_l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) \\
 &= h'(((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \cdot l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) \\
 h'((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) &= \beta_2(l) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi')) \\
 &= \Xi_{\beta_2(l)} \\
 &= \Xi\beta_2(l) \\
 &= \beta_2\Xi'_l \\
 &= h'(l, (\Theta\beta_1, \beta_2\Xi')) \\
 &= h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta, \Xi), (\Theta', \Xi'))) \\
 h'((\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)), \beta) &= h'(\beta; (\beta_1\Theta', \Xi\beta_2)) \\
 &= \Xi_{\beta_2(l)} \\
 &= \Xi\beta_2(l) \\
 &= \beta_2\Xi'(l) \\
 &= h'(l, (\Theta\beta_1, \beta_2\Xi')) \\
 &= h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)))
 \end{aligned}$$

v.

$$\begin{aligned}
 h((\beta_1, \beta_2) + (\theta_1, \theta_2), l) &= h((\beta_1 + \theta_1, \beta_2 + \theta_2), l) \\
 &= (\beta_1 + \theta_1)l \\
 &= \beta_1(l) + \theta_1(l) \\
 &= h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) + h((\theta_1, \theta_2), l) \\
 h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l_1 + l_2) &= \beta_1(l_1 + l_2) \\
 &= \beta_1(l_1) + \beta_1(l_2) \\
 &= h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l_1) + h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l_2) \\
 h'(l_1 + l_2, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) &= \beta_2(l_1 + l_2) \\
 &= \beta_2(l_1) + \beta_2(l_2) \\
 &= h'(l_1, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) + h'(l_2, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) \\
 h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2) + (\theta_1, \theta_2)) &= h'(l, (\beta_1 + \theta_1, \beta_2 + \theta_2)) \\
 &= (\beta_2 + \theta_2)(l) \\
 &= \beta_2(l) + \theta_2(l) \\
 &= h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) + h'(l, (\theta_1, \theta_2))
 \end{aligned}$$

vi.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) &= \mu(\beta_1(l)) \\ &= \mu\beta_1(l) \\ &= ((\beta_1\mu, \beta_2\mu), (\mu\beta_1, \mu\beta_2)) \cdot l \\ &= ((\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)) \cdot l \\ &= (\Delta(\beta_1, \beta_2)) \cdot l \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) &= \mu(\beta_2(l)) \\ &= \mu\beta_2(l) \\ &= l \cdot ((\beta_1\mu, \beta_2\mu), (\mu\beta_1, \mu\beta_2)) \\ &= l \cdot ((\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)) \\ &= l \cdot (\Delta(\beta_1, \beta_2)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) &= \eta(\beta_1(l)) \\ &= (\eta_{1\beta_1(l)}, \eta_{2\beta_1(l)}) \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} ((\beta_1\Theta'_l, \Xi_l\beta_2)) \\ &= (\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \\ &= (\beta_1, \beta_2) \cdot \alpha(l) \end{aligned}$$

$$(*) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \eta_{1\beta_1(l)}(l') = \beta_1(l) \cdot l' & \eta_{2\beta_1(l)}(l') = l' \cdot \beta_1(l) \\ = \beta_1(l') & \text{and} \quad = \beta_2(l'l) \\ = \beta_1\Theta'_l(l') & = \Xi_l\beta_2(l') \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta h'((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) &= \eta(\beta_2(l)) \\ &= (\eta_{1\beta_2(l)}, \eta_{2\beta_2(l)}) \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} ((\Theta_l\beta_1, \beta_2\Xi'_l)) \\ &= ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \cdot (\beta_1, \beta_2) \\ &= \alpha(l) \cdot (\beta_1, \beta_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$(*) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \eta_{1\beta_2(l)}(l') = \beta_2(l) \cdot l' & \eta_{2\beta_2(l)}(l') = l' \cdot \beta_2(l) \\ = l \cdot \beta_1(l') & \text{and} \quad = \beta_2(l'l) \\ = \Theta_l\beta_1(l') & = \beta_2\Xi'_l(l') \end{array}$$

vii.

$$\begin{aligned} h((\beta_1, \beta_2), \mu(t)) &= \beta_1(\mu(t)) \\ &= \beta_1\mu(t) \\ &= ((\beta_1\mu, \beta_2\mu), (\mu\beta_1, \mu\beta_2)) \cdot t \\ &= ((\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)) \cdot t \\ &= (\Delta(\beta_1, \beta_2)) \cdot t \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 h'(\mu(t), (\beta_1, \beta_2)) &= \beta_2(\mu(t)) \\
 &= \beta_2\mu(t) \\
 &= t \cdot ((\beta_1\mu, \beta_2\mu), (\mu\beta_1, \mu\beta_2)) \\
 &= t \cdot ((\Theta_\beta, \Xi_\beta), (\Theta'_\beta, \Xi'_\beta)) \\
 &= t \cdot (\Delta(\beta_1, \beta_2))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 h(\eta(t), l) &= h((\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t}), l) \\
 &= \eta_{1t}(l) \\
 &= t \cdot l \\
 &= \Xi_l(t) \\
 &= t \cdot ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \\
 &= t \cdot \alpha(l)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 h'(l, \eta(t)) &= h'(l, (\eta_{1t}, \eta_{2t})) \\
 &= \eta_{2t}(l) \\
 &= l \cdot t \\
 &= \Theta_l(t) \\
 &= ((\Theta_l, \Xi_l), (\Theta'_l, \Xi'_l)) \cdot t \\
 &= \alpha(l) \cdot t
 \end{aligned}$$

viii.

$$\begin{aligned}
 l' \cdot h((\beta_1, \beta_2), l) &= l' \cdot \beta_1(l) \\
 &= \beta_2(l') \cdot l \\
 &= h'(l', (\beta_1, \beta_2)) \cdot l
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\theta_1, \theta_2) \cdot h'(l, (\beta_1, \beta_2)) &= \Delta(\theta_1, \theta_2) \cdot \beta_2(l) \\
 &= \theta_1\mu\beta_2(l) \\
 &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \beta_2\mu\theta_1(l) \\
 &= \theta_1(l) \cdot \Delta((\beta_1, \beta_2)) \\
 &= h((\theta_1, \theta_2), l) \cdot (\beta_1, \beta_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

(\*) Because of  $L^2 = L$ , for every  $l \in L$ , we can take  $l = l_1l_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \theta_1\mu\beta_2(l_1l_2) &= \theta_1\mu(l_1 \cdot \beta_2(l_2)) \\
 &= \Theta_\theta(l_1 \cdot \beta_2(l_2)) \\
 &= \Theta'_\theta(l_1) \cdot \beta_2(l_2) \\
 &= \mu\theta_1(l_1) \cdot \beta_2(l_2) \\
 &= \beta_2((\mu\theta_1(l_1))l_2) \\
 &= \beta_2(\mu(\theta_1(l_1)l_2)) \\
 &= \beta_2(\mu(\theta_1(l_1) \cdot l_2)) \\
 &= \beta_2(\mu(\theta_1(l_1l_2))) \\
 &= \beta_2\mu\theta_1(l_1l_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

## 6. Conclusion

It is well known that the action of any group on itself is given by a group homomorphism from any group to its automorphism group. In the case of associative algebra, the role of automorphism groups replaces with bimultiplication algebra. It is considered that the concept of a crossed module in associative algebra is a generalisation of the concept of an associative algebra. Thus we can generalise the notion of bimultiplication algebra for a crossed module in associative algebras. Thus, we conclude that in this context the notion of action is given by the actor crossed module which is obtained via bimultiplication crossed module. Also since the annihilator of an associative algebra  $A$  is given by the kernel of algebra morphism  $A \rightarrow \text{Bim}(A)$ , we get the annihilator crossed module as the kernel of the crossed module morphism  $(\eta, \alpha) : (T, L, \mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(T, L, \mu)$ . Furthermore, we see that this morphism gives rise to a crossed square which is a two-dimensional analogous to crossed module.

## Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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