

# A twisted generalization of Lie-Yamaguti algebras

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## Abstract

A twisted generalization of Lie-Yamaguti algebras, called Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebras, is defined. Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebras generalize Hom-Lie triple systems (and subsequently ternary Hom-Nambu algebras) and Hom-Lie algebras in the same way as Lie-Yamaguti algebras generalize Lie triple systems and Lie algebras. It is shown that the category of Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebras is closed under twisting by self-morphisms. Constructions of Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebras from classical Lie-Yamaguti algebras and Malcev algebras are given. It is observed that, when the ternary operation of a Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebra expresses through its binary one in a specific way, then such a Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebra is a Hom-Malcev algebra.

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## 1 Introduction

Using the Bianchi identities, K. Nomizu [14] characterized, by some identities involving the torsion and the curvature, reductive homogeneous spaces with canonical connection. K. Yamaguti [17] gave an algebraic interpretation of these identities by considering the torsion and curvature tensors of Nomizu's canonical connection as a bilinear and a trilinear algebraic operations satisfying some axioms, and thus defined what he called a "general

Lie triple system". M. Kikkawa [7] used the term "Lie triple algebra" for such an algebraic object. More recently, M.K. Kinyon and A. Weinstein [8] introduced the term "Lie-Yamaguti algebra" for this object.

A *Lie-Yamaguti algebra*  $(V, *, \{, , \})$  is a vector space  $V$  together with a binary operation  $*$  :  $V \times V \rightarrow V$  and a ternary operation  $\{, , \}$  :  $V \times V \times V \rightarrow V$  such that

- (A1)  $x * y = -y * x$ ,
- (A2)  $\{x, y, z\} = -\{y, x, z\}$ ,
- (A3)  $\sigma[(x * y) * z + \{x, y, z\}] = 0$ ,
- (A4)  $\sigma[\{x * y, z, u\}] = 0$ ,
- (A5)  $\{x, y, u * v\} = \{x, y, u\} * v + u * \{x, y, v\}$ ,
- (A6)  $\{x, y, \{u, v, w\}\} = \{\{x, y, u\}, v, w\} + \{u, \{x, y, v\}, w\} + \{u, v, \{x, y, w\}\}$ ,

for all  $u, v, w, x, y, z$  in  $V$  and  $\sigma$  denotes the sum over cyclic permutation of  $x, y, z$ .

In [2] the notation "LY-algebra" is used for "Lie-Yamaguti algebra". So, likewise, we will write "Hom-LY algebra" for "Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebra".

Observe that if  $x * y = 0$ , for all  $x, y$  in  $V$ , then  $(V, *, \{, , \})$  reduces to a *Lie triple system*  $(V, \{, , \})$  as defined in [16]. Originally, N. Jacobson [6] defined a Lie triple system as a submodule of an associative algebra that is closed under the iterated commutator bracket.

In this paper we consider a Hom-type generalization of LY algebras that we call Hom-LY algebras. Roughly, a Hom-type generalization of a given type of algebras is defined by twisting the defining identities of that type of algebras by a self-map in such a way that, when the twisting map is the identity map, one recovers the original type of algebras. The systematic study of Hom-algebras was initiated by A. Makhlouf and S.D. Silvestrov [11], while D. Yau [20] gave a general construction method of Hom-type algebras starting from classical algebras and a twisting self-map. For information on various types of Hom-algebras, one may refer to [1], [4], [5], [9]-[11], [19]-[22].

A Hom-type generalization of  $n$ -ary Lie algebras,  $n$ -ary Nambu algebras and  $n$ -ary Nambu-Lie algebras (i.e. Fillipov  $n$ -ary algebras) called  $n$ -ary Hom-Lie algebras,  $n$ -ary Hom-Nambu algebras and  $n$ -ary Hom-Nambu-Lie algebras respectively, is considered in [1]. Such a generalization is extended to the one of Hom-Lie triple systems and Hom-Jordan triple systems in [22]. We point out that the class of Hom-LY algebras encompasses the ones of ternary Hom-Nambu algebras, Hom-Lie triple systems (hence Jordan and Lie triple systems), Hom-Lie algebras (hence Lie algebras) and LY algebras.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In section 2 some basic facts on Hom-algebras and  $n$ -ary Hom-algebras are recalled. The emphasis point here is that the definition of a Hom-triple system (Definition 2.3) is more restrictive than the D. Yau's in [22]. However, with this vision of a Hom-triple system, we point out that any non-Hom-associative algebra (i.e. nonassociative Hom-algebra or Hom-nonassociative algebra) has a natural structure of a Hom-triple system (this is the Hom-counterpart of a similar well-known result connecting nonassociative algebras and triple systems). Then we give the definition of a Hom-LY algebra and make some observations on its relationships with some types of ternary Hom-algebras and with LY algebras. In section 3 we show that the category of Hom-LY algebras is closed under twisting by self-morphisms (Theorem 3.1). Subsequently, we show a way to construct Hom-LY algebras from LY algebras (or Malcev algebras) by twisting along self-morphisms (Corollary 3.2 and Corollary 3.3); this is an extension to binary-ternary algebras of a result due to D. Yau ([20], Theorem 2.3. Such an extension is first mentioned in [4], Corollary 4.6). In section 4 some relationships between Hom-LY algebras and Hom-Malcev algebras are considered. We show that when the ternary operation of a Hom-LY algebra expresses through its binary one in a specific way, then such a Hom-LY algebra turns out to be a Hom-Malcev algebra (Proposition 4.1). Moreover, with this expression of the ternary operation, it is observed that, in a Hom-Malcev algebra, the Hom-Malcev identity can be written in terms of this ternary operation and the original binary operation of the given Hom-Malcev algebra (Proposition 4.2). These considerations constitute the Hom-version of similar relationships between Malcev algebras and LY algebras ([13], [18]).

All vector spaces and algebras throughout will be over a ground field  $\mathbb{K}$  of characteristic 0.

## 2 Ternary Hom-algebras. Definitions

We recall some basic facts about Hom-algebras, including ternary Hom-Nambu algebras. We note that the definition of a Hom-triple system given here (see Definition 2.3) is slightly more restrictive than the one given by D. Yau [22]. Then we give the definition of the main object of this paper (see Definition 2.6) and show its relationships with known structures such as ternary Hom-Nambu algebras, Hom-Lie triple systems, Hom-Lie algebras or Lie-Yamaguti algebras.

For definitions of  $n$ -ary Hom-algebras ( $n$ -ary Hom-Nambu and Hom-

Nambu-Lie algebras,  $n$ -ary Hom-Lie algebras, etc.) we refer to [1], [22]. Here, for our purpose, we restrict our concern to ternary Hom-algebras. In fact, as we shall see below, a Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebra is a ternary Hom-Nambu algebra with an additional binary anticommutative operation satisfying some compatibility conditions.

**Definition 2.1.** [22] A *ternary Hom-algebra*  $(V, [, ], \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2))$  consists of a  $\mathbb{K}$ -module  $V$ , a trilinear map  $[, , ] : V \times V \times V \rightarrow V$ , and linear maps  $\alpha_i : V \rightarrow V$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , called the *twisting maps*. The algebra  $(V, [, ], \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2))$  is said *multiplicative* if  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha$  and  $\alpha([x, y, z]) = [\alpha(x), \alpha(y), \alpha(z)]$  for all  $x, y, z \in V$ .

For convenience, we assume throughout this paper that all Hom-algebras are multiplicative.

**Definition 2.2.** [1] A *(multiplicative) ternary Hom-Nambu algebra* is a (multiplicative) ternary Hom-algebra  $(V, [, ], \alpha)$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} [\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v, w]] &= [[x, y, u], \alpha(v), \alpha(w)] + [\alpha(u), [x, y, v], \alpha(w)] \\ &\quad + [\alpha(u), \alpha(v), [x, y, w]], \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

for all  $u, v, w, x, y \in V$ .

The condition (2.1) is called the *ternary Hom-Nambu identity*.

**Definition 2.3.** A *(multiplicative) Hom-triple system* is a (multiplicative) ternary Hom-algebra  $(V, [, ], \alpha)$  such that

- (i)  $[u, v, w] = -[v, u, w]$ ,
- (ii)  $\sigma[u, v, w] = 0$ ,

for all  $u, v, w \in V$ , where  $\sigma[u, v, w] := [u, v, w] + [v, w, u] + [w, u, v]$ .

**Remark.** A more general definition of a Hom-triple system is given by D. Yau [22] without the requirements (i), (ii) as in Definition 2.3 above. Our definition here is motivated by the concern of giving a Hom-type analogue of the relationships between nonassociative algebras and triple systems (see Remark below).

A Hom-algebra in which the Hom-associativity is not assumed is called a nonassociative Hom-algebra [10] or a Hom-nonassociative algebra [19] (the expression of “non-Hom-associative” Hom-algebra is used in [4] for that type

of Hom-algebras). With the notion of a Hom-triple system as above, we have the following

**Proposition 2.4.** *Any non-Hom-associative Hom-algebra is a Hom-triple system.*

**Proof.** Let  $(A, \cdot, \alpha)$  be a non-Hom-associative algebra. Then  $(A, [, ], as(\cdot, \cdot), \alpha)$  is a Hom-Akivis algebra with respect to  $[x, y] := x \cdot y - y \cdot x$  (commutator) and  $as(x, y, z) := xy \cdot \alpha(z) - \alpha(x) \cdot yz$  (Hom-associator), i.e. the Hom-Akivis identity

$$\sigma[[x, y], \alpha(z)] = \sigma as(x, y, z) - \sigma as(y, x, z)$$

holds for all  $x, y, z$  in  $A$  ([4]). Now define

$$[x, y, z] := [[x, y], \alpha(z)] - as(x, y, z) + as(y, x, z)$$

for all  $x, y, z$  in  $A$ . Then  $[x, y, z] = -[y, x, z]$  and the Hom-Akivis identity implies that  $\sigma[x, y, z] = 0$ . Thus  $(A, [, ], \alpha)$  is a Hom-triple system.  $\square$

**Remark.** For  $\alpha = Id$  (the identity map), we recover the triple system with ternary operation  $[[x, y], z] - (x, y, z) + (y, x, z)$  that is associated to each nonassociative algebra, since any nonassociative algebra has a natural Akivis algebra structure with respect to the commutator and associator operations  $[x, y]$  and  $(x, y, z)$ , for all  $x, y, z$  (see, e.g., remarks in [4]).

**Definition 2.5.** [22] A *Hom-Lie triple system* is a Hom-triple system  $(V, [, ], \alpha)$  satisfying the ternary Hom-Nambu identity (2.1).

When  $\alpha = Id$ , a Hom-Lie triple system reduces to a Lie triple system.

We now give the definition of the basic object of this paper.

**Definition 2.6.** A *Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebra* (Hom-LY algebra for short) is a quadruple  $(L, *, \{, \}, \alpha)$  in which  $L$  is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -vector space, “ $*$ ” a binary operation and “ $\{, \}$ ” a ternary operation on  $L$ , and  $\alpha : L \rightarrow L$  a Linear map such that

$$(B1) \quad \alpha(x * y) = \alpha(x) * \alpha(y),$$

$$(B2) \quad \alpha(\{x, y, z\}) = \{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), \alpha(z)\},$$

$$(B3) \quad x * y = -y * x,$$

$$(B4) \quad \{x, y, z\} = -\{y, x, z\},$$

$$(B5) \quad \sigma[(x * y) * \alpha(z) + \{x, y, z\}] = 0,$$

$$(B6) \quad \sigma[\{x * y, \alpha(z), \alpha(u)\} + \{z * y, \alpha(x), \alpha(u)\}] = 0,$$

$$(B7) \quad \{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), u * v\} = \{x, y, u\} * \alpha^2(v) + \alpha^2(u) * \{x, y, v\},$$

$$(B8) \quad \{\alpha^2(x), \alpha^2(y), \{\alpha^2(u), \alpha^2(v), w\}\} = \{\{x, y, \alpha^2(u)\}, \alpha^4(v), \alpha^2(w)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +\{\alpha^4(u), \{x, y, \alpha^2(v)\}, \alpha^2(w)\} \\
& +\{\alpha^4(u), \alpha^4(v), \{x, y, w\}\},
\end{aligned}$$

for all  $u, v, w, x, y, z$  in  $L$  and  $\sigma$  denotes the sum over cyclic permutation of  $x, y, z$ .

Note that the conditions **(B1)** and **(B2)** mean the multiplicativity of  $(L, *, \{, \}, \alpha)$ .

**Remark.** (1) If  $\alpha = Id$ , then the Hom-LY algebra  $(L, *, \{, \}, \alpha)$  reduces to a LY algebra  $(L, *, \{, \})$  (see **(A1)**-**(A6)**).

(2) If  $x * y = 0$ , for all  $x, y \in L$ , then  $(L, *, \{, \}, \alpha)$  becomes a Hom-Lie triple system  $(L, \{, \}, \alpha^2)$  and, subsequently, a ternary Hom-Nambu algebra (since, by Definition 2.5, any Hom-Lie triple system is automatically a ternary Hom-Nambu algebra).

(3) If  $\{x, y, z\} = 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in L$ , then the Hom-LY algebra  $(L, *, \{, \}, \alpha)$  becomes a Hom-Lie algebra  $(L, *, \alpha)$ .

### 3 Constructions of Hom-Lie-Yamaguti algebras

In this section we consider construction methods for Hom-LY algebras. These methods allow to find examples of Hom-LY algebras starting from classical LY algebras or even from Malcev algebras.

First, as the main tool, we show that the category of (multiplicative) Hom-LY algebras is closed under self-morphisms.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $A_\alpha := (A, *, \{, \}, \alpha)$  be a multiplicative Hom-LY algebra and let  $\beta$  be an endomorphism of the algebra  $(A, *, \{, \})$  such that  $\beta\alpha = \alpha\beta$ . Define on  $A$  the operations*

$$\begin{aligned}
x *_\beta y & := \beta(x * y), \\
\{x, y, z\}_\beta & := \beta^2(\{x, y, z\})
\end{aligned}$$

*for all  $x, y, z$  in  $A$ . Then  $A_\beta := (A, *_\beta, \{, \}_\beta, \beta\alpha)$  is a multiplicative Hom-LY algebra.*

**Proof.** We have

$$(\beta\alpha)(x *_\beta y) = (\beta\alpha)(\beta(x) * \beta(y)) = \beta((\alpha\beta)(x) * (\alpha\beta)(y))$$

$= (\alpha\beta)(x) *_\beta (\alpha\beta)(y) = (\beta\alpha)(x) *_\beta (\beta\alpha)(y)$  and we get **(B1)**. Likewise, the condition  $\beta\alpha = \alpha\beta$  implies **(B2)**. The identities **(B3)** and **(B4)** for  $A_\beta$  follow from the skew-symmetry of “ $*$ ” and “ $\{, \}$ ” respectively.

Consider now  $\sigma((x *_\beta y) *_\beta (\beta\alpha)(z)) + \sigma\{x, y, z\}_\beta$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sigma((x *_\beta y) *_\beta (\beta\alpha)(z)) + \sigma\{x, y, z\}_\beta \\
&= \sigma[\beta(\beta(x *_\beta y) *_\beta \alpha(z))] + \sigma[\beta^2(\{x, y, z\})] \\
&= \sigma[\beta((\beta(x) *_\beta \beta(y)) *_\beta \alpha(\beta(z)))] + \sigma[\beta^2(\{x, y, z\})] \\
&\quad (\text{since } \beta\alpha = \alpha\beta) \\
&= \beta(\sigma[(\beta(x) *_\beta \beta(y)) *_\beta \alpha(\beta(z))]) + \sigma\{\beta(x), \beta(y), \beta(z)\} \\
&= \beta(0) \text{ (by **(B6)** for } A_\alpha) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

and thus we get **(B5)** for  $A_\beta$ . Next,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{x *_\beta y, (\beta\alpha)(z), (\beta\alpha)(u)\}_\beta = \{\beta^3(x *_\beta y), \beta^3(\alpha(z)), \beta^3(\alpha(u))\} \\
&= \beta^3(\{x *_\beta y, \alpha(z), \alpha(u)\}).
\end{aligned}$$

Likewise we find that  $\{z *_\beta y, (\beta\alpha)(x), (\beta\alpha)(u)\}_\beta = \beta^3(\{z *_\beta y, \alpha(x), \alpha(u)\})$ .

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{x *_\beta y, (\beta\alpha)(z), (\beta\alpha)(u)\}_\beta + \{z *_\beta y, (\beta\alpha)(x), (\beta\alpha)(u)\}_\beta \\
&= \sigma[\beta^3(\{x *_\beta y, \alpha(z), \alpha(u)\}) + \beta^3(\{z *_\beta y, \alpha(x), \alpha(u)\})] \\
&= \beta^3(\sigma\{x *_\beta y, \alpha(z), \alpha(u)\} + \sigma\{z *_\beta y, \alpha(x), \alpha(u)\}) \\
&= \beta^3(0) \text{ (by **(B6)** for } A_\alpha) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

so that we get **(B6)** for  $A_\beta$ . Further, using **(B7)** for  $A_\alpha$  and condition  $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$ , we compute

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{(\beta\alpha)(x), (\beta\alpha)(y), u *_\beta v\}_\beta = \beta^3(\{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), u *_\beta v\}) \\
&= \beta^3(\{x, y, u\} *_\beta \alpha^2(v) + \alpha^2(u) *_\beta \{x, y, v\}) = \beta(\beta^2(\{x, y, u\}) *_\beta (\beta^2\alpha^2)(v)) \\
&+ \beta((\beta^2\alpha^2)(u) *_\beta \beta^2(\{x, y, v\})) = \{x, y, u\}_\beta *_\beta (\beta^2\alpha^2)(v) \\
&+ (\beta^2\alpha^2)(u) *_\beta \{x, y, v\}_\beta \\
&= \{x, y, u\}_\beta *_\beta (\beta\alpha)^2(v) + (\beta\alpha)^2(u) *_\beta \{x, y, v\}_\beta.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus **(B7)** holds for  $A_\beta$ . Using repeatedly the condition  $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$  and the

identity **(B8)** for  $A_\alpha$ , the verification of **(B8)** for  $A_\beta$  is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{(\beta\alpha)^2(x), (\beta\alpha)^2(y), \{(\beta\alpha)^2(u), (\beta\alpha)^2(v), w\}_\beta\}_\beta \\
= & \{(\beta^2\alpha^2)(x), (\beta^2\alpha^2)(y), \{(\beta^2\alpha^2)(u), (\beta^2\alpha^2)(v), w\}_\beta\}_\beta \\
= & \beta^2(\{(\beta^2\alpha^2)(x), (\beta^2\alpha^2)(y), \beta^2(\{(\beta^2\alpha^2)(u), (\beta^2\alpha^2)(v), w\})\}) \\
= & \beta^4(\{\alpha^2(x), \alpha^2(y), \{(\beta^2\alpha^2)(u), (\beta^2\alpha^2)(v), w\}\}) \\
= & \beta^4(\{\alpha^2(x), \alpha^2(y), \{\alpha^2(\beta^2(u)), \alpha^2(\beta^2(v)), w\}\}) \\
= & \beta^4(\{\alpha^4(\beta^2(u)), \alpha^4(\beta^2(v)), \{x, y, w\}\}) \\
+ & \beta^4(\{\{x, y, \alpha^2(\beta^2(u))\}, \alpha^4(\beta^2(v)), \alpha^2(w)\}) \\
+ & \beta^4(\{\alpha^4(\beta^2(u)), \{x, y, \alpha^2(\beta^2(v))\}, \alpha^2(w)\}) \\
= & \beta^4(\{(\beta^2\alpha^4)(u), (\beta^2\alpha^4)(v), \{x, y, w\}\}) \\
+ & \beta^4(\{\{x, y, (\beta^2\alpha^2)(u)\}, (\beta^2\alpha^4)(v), \alpha^2(w)\}) \\
+ & \beta^4(\{(\beta^2\alpha^4)(u), \{x, y, (\beta^2\alpha^2)(v)\}, \alpha^2(w)\}) \\
= & \beta^2(\{(\beta^4\alpha^4)(u), (\beta^4\alpha^4)(v), \beta^2(\{x, y, w\})\}) \\
+ & \beta^2(\{\beta^2(\{x, y, (\beta^2\alpha^2)(u)\}), (\beta^4\alpha^4)(v), (\beta^2\alpha^2)(w)\}) \\
+ & \beta^2(\{(\beta^4\alpha^4)(u), \beta^2(\{x, y, (\beta^2\alpha^2)(v)\}), (\beta^2\alpha^2)(w)\}) \\
= & \{(\beta\alpha)^4(u), (\beta\alpha)^4(v), \{x, y, w\}_\beta\}_\beta \\
+ & \{\{x, y, (\beta\alpha)^2(u)\}_\beta, (\beta\alpha)^4(v), (\beta\alpha)^2(w)\}_\beta \\
+ & \{(\beta\alpha)^4(u), \{x, y, (\beta\alpha)^2(v)\}_\beta, (\beta\alpha)^2(w)\}_\beta.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus **(B8)** holds for  $A_\beta$ . Therefore, we get that  $A_\beta$  is a Hom-LY algebra. This finishes the proof.  $\square$

From Theorem 3.1 we have the following method of construction of Hom-LY algebras from LY algebras. This method is an extension to binary-ternary algebras of a result due to D. Yau ([20], Theorem 2.3), giving a general method of construction of Hom-algebras from their corresponding untwisted algebras. Such an extension to binary-ternary algebras is first mentioned in [4], Corollary 4.6.

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $(A, *, [, ,])$  be a LY algebra and  $\beta$  an endomorphism of  $(A, *, [, ,])$ . If define on  $A$  a binary operation " $\tilde{*}$ " and a ternary operation " $\{, , \}$ " by*

$$\begin{aligned}
x\tilde{*}y &:= \beta(x * y), \\
\{x, y, z\} &:= \beta^2([x, y, z]),
\end{aligned}$$

*then  $(A, \tilde{*}, \{, , \}, \beta)$  is a Hom-LY algebra.*



**Proof.** The proof follows if observe that Corollary 3.2 is Theorem 3.1 when  $\alpha = Id$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $(A, *)$  be a Malcev algebra and  $\beta$  any endomorphism of  $(A, *)$ . Define on  $A$  the operations*

$$x\tilde{*}y := \beta(x * y),$$

$$\{x, y, z\} := \beta^2((x * y) * z - (y * z) * x - (z * x) * y).$$

*Then  $(A, \tilde{*}, \{, , \}, \beta)$  is a Hom-LY algebra.*

**Proof.** If consider on  $A$  the ternary operation  $[x, y, z] := (x * y) * z - (y * z) * x - (z * x) * y, \forall x, y, z \in A$ , then  $(A, *, [, ,])$  is a LY algebra [18]. Moreover, since  $\beta$  is an endomorphism of  $(A, *)$ , we have  $\beta([x, y, z]) = (\beta(x) * \beta(y)) * \beta(z) - (\beta(y) * \beta(z)) * \beta(x) - (\beta(z) * \beta(x)) * \beta(y) = [\beta(x), \beta(y), \beta(z)]$  so that  $\beta$  is also an endomorphism of  $(A, *, [, ,])$ . Then Corollary 3.2 implies that  $(A, \tilde{*}, \{, , \}, \beta)$  is a Hom-LY algebra.  $\square$

## 4 Hom-Lie-Yamguti algebras and Hom-Malcev algebras

In this section we investigate conditions when a Hom-LY algebra reduces to a Hom-Malcev algebra. This consideration is based on the ternary operation  $\{, , \}$  of a given Hom-LY algebra  $(\mathfrak{m}, [, , \{, , \}, \alpha)$  that could be expressed through its binary one “[, ]” as

$$\{x, y, z\} = -J_\alpha(x, y, z) + 2[[x, y], \alpha(z)], \quad (4.1)$$

for all  $x, y, z$  in  $\mathfrak{m}$ , where  $J_\alpha(x, y, z) := \sigma[[x, y], \alpha(z)]$ .

First we recall that a *Hom-Malcev algebra* [21] is a Hom-algebra  $(A, [, , \alpha)$  such that “[, ]” is skew-symmetric and that the *Hom-Malcev identity*

$$J_\alpha(\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [x, z]) = [J_\alpha(x, y, z), \alpha^2(x)] \quad (4.2)$$

holds for all  $x, y, z$  in  $A$ . It is observed [21] that when  $\alpha = Id$ , then (4.2) is the Malcev identity and thus a Hom-Malcev algebra reduces to a Malcev algebra. Other identities, equivalent to the identity (4.2), characterizing Hom-Malcev algebras are found ([21], Proposition 2.8). In [5] it is pointed out another defining identity of Hom-Malcev algebras. This latter identity is the most useful in the proof of the following

**Proposition 4.1.** *Let  $(\mathbf{m}, [, ], \{, \}, \alpha)$  be a Hom-LY algebra. If its ternary operation “ $\{, \}$ ” expresses through its binary one “ $[, ]$ ” as in (4.1) for all  $x, y, z$  in  $\mathbf{m}$ , then  $(\mathbf{m}, [, ], \alpha)$  is a Hom-Malcev algebra.*

**Proof.** Observe that (4.1) and multiplicativity imply

$$\{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), z\} = -J_\alpha(\alpha(x), \alpha(y), z) + 2\alpha([[x, y], z]). \quad (4.3)$$

Then, setting (4.3) in **(B7)**, we get

$$\begin{aligned} -J_\alpha(\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v]) &= [-J_\alpha(x, y, u), \alpha^2(v)] + [\alpha^2(u), -J_\alpha(x, y, v)] \\ &\quad + [[2[x, y], \alpha(u)], \alpha^2(v)] + [\alpha^2(u), [2[x, y], \alpha(v)]] \\ &\quad - 2\alpha([[x, y], [u, v]]) \end{aligned}$$

and this last equality is written as

$$\begin{aligned} J_\alpha(\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v]) &= [J_\alpha(x, y, u), \alpha^2(v)] + [\alpha^2(u), J_\alpha(x, y, v)] \\ &\quad - 2J_\alpha(\alpha(u), \alpha(v), [x, y]). \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

The expression (4.4) is shown [5] to be equivalent to the Hom-Malcev identity (4.2). Therefore  $(\mathbf{m}, [, ], \alpha)$  is a Hom-Malcev algebra.  $\square$

**Remark.** For  $\alpha = Id$ , the ternary operation (4.1) reduces to the ternary operation, defined by the identity (1.4) in [18], that is considered in Malcev algebras. Thus Proposition 4.1 is the Hom-analogue of the result of K. Yamaguti [18], which is the converse of a result of A.A. Sagle ([13], Proposition 8.3). The Hom-version of the Sagle’s result is the following

**Proposition 4.2.** *Let  $(\mathbf{m}, [, ], \alpha)$  be a Hom-Malcev algebra and define on  $(\mathbf{m}, [, ], \alpha)$  a ternary operation by (4.1). Then*

$$\{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v]\} = [\{x, y, u\}, \alpha^2(v)] + [\alpha^2(u), \{x, y, v\}] \quad (4.5)$$

for all  $u, v, x, y$  in  $\mathbf{m}$ .

**Proof.** We write the identity (4.4) as

$$\begin{aligned} -J_\alpha(\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v]) &= [-J_\alpha(x, y, u), \alpha^2(v)] + [\alpha^2(u), -J_\alpha(x, y, v)] \\ &\quad + 2J_\alpha(\alpha(u), \alpha(v), [x, y]) \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} -J_\alpha(\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v]) &= [-J_\alpha(x, y, u), \alpha^2(v)] + [\alpha^2(u), -J_\alpha(x, y, v)] \\ &\quad + 2[\alpha([u, v]), \alpha([x, y])] + 2[[\alpha(v), [x, y]], \alpha^2(u)] \end{aligned}$$

$$+2[[[x, y], \alpha(u)], \alpha^2(v)]$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} -J_\alpha(\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v]) + 2[\alpha([x, y]), \alpha([u, v])] \\ = [-J_\alpha(x, y, u) + 2[[x, y], \alpha(u)], \alpha^2(v)] \\ + [\alpha^2(u), -J_\alpha(x, y, v) + 2[[x, y], \alpha(v)]]. \end{aligned}$$

This last equality (according to (4.1) and using multiplicativity) means that

$$\{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v]\} = [\{x, y, u\}, \alpha^2(v)] + [\alpha^2(u), \{x, y, v\}]$$

and therefore the proposition is proved.  $\square$

It could be expected that any Hom-Malcev algebra  $(\mathfrak{m}, [, ], \alpha)$  with a ternary operation as in (4.1) has a Hom-LY structure. This is for further investigation. Combining Proposition 4.1 and Proposition 4.2, we get the following

**Corollary 4.3.** *In an anticommutative Hom-algebra  $(A, [, ], \alpha)$ , the Hom-Malcev identity (4.2) is equivalent to (4.5), with  $\{, , \}$  defined by (4.1).  $\square$*

The untwisted counterpart of Corollary 4.3 is Theorem 1.1 in [18].

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