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## Properties of gyrogroups induced by groups whose central quotients being 2-Engel

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**Abstract:** A group  $\Gamma$  is said to be CCII if the quotient  $\Gamma/Z(\Gamma)$  is 2-Engel or, equivalently, commutator-inversion invariant, where  $Z(\Gamma)$  is the center of  $\Gamma$ . In this article, we prove algebraic and topological properties of gyrogroups that are induced by CCII groups. Then, using a classification of non-abelian groups of order  $n$  with  $n < 32$ , we determine all finite CCII groups of order less than 32.

**Key words:** 2-Engel group, CCII group, gyrogroup, commutator-inversion invariant, topological gyrogroup

### 1. Preliminaries

We follow standard definitions and notations in group theory. For standard definitions and notations in gyrogroup theory, we refer the reader to [5, 8]. We set notations and summarize basic relevant results in this section.

Suppose that  $\Gamma$  is a group. Set  $Z(\Gamma) = \{z \in \Gamma : gz = zg \text{ for all } g \in \Gamma\}$ , known as the center of  $\Gamma$ . For each  $a \in \Gamma$ , conjugation by  $a$ , denoted by  $\alpha_a$ , is the (inner) automorphism of  $\Gamma$  defined by  $\alpha_a(g) = aga^{-1}$  for all  $g \in \Gamma$ . Let  $g, h \in \Gamma$ . The commutator of  $g$  and  $h$  is defined as  $[g, h] = g^{-1}h^{-1}gh$ . Recall that the derived subgroup of  $\Gamma$ , denoted by  $\Gamma'$ , is the subgroup of  $\Gamma$  generated by all the commutators in  $\Gamma$ . As in Definition 3.1 of [7],  $\Gamma$  is said to be commutator-inversion invariant if  $[g, h] = [g^{-1}, h^{-1}]$  for all  $g, h \in \Gamma$ , and  $\Gamma$  is said to be central by a commutator-inversion invariant group if  $\Gamma/Z(\Gamma)$  is commutator-inversion invariant. It is shown in Theorem 3.1 of [7] that  $\Gamma$  is 2-Engel if and only if  $\Gamma$  is commutator-inversion invariant, which gives another characterization of 2-Engel groups. The fundamental importance of commutator-inversion invariant groups lies in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1 (Theorem 4.2 of [7])** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a group. Suppose that  $\Gamma/Z(\Gamma)$  is commutator-inversion invariant. Then, the underlying set  $\Gamma$  is a gyrogroup, denoted by  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ , under the binary operation defined by the equation*

$$a \oplus b = aba^{-1} \quad \text{for all } a, b \in \Gamma. \quad (1)$$

We remark that Theorem 1 was first proved by Foguel and Ungar in [2] in terms of left gyrogroups (see Theorem 3.4 of [2]) using the notion of 2-Engel groups (see Theorem 3.7 of [2]).

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In the resulting gyrogroup  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  above, the identity of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is the same as the identity of  $\Gamma$ , and the inverse of an element  $a$  in  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is the same as the inverse of  $a$  in  $\Gamma$ . Moreover, if  $a$  and  $b$  are elements in  $\Gamma$ , then the gyroautomorphism of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  generated by  $a$  and  $b$  is the inner automorphism generated by the commutator  $[a^{-1}, b]$ . It is shown in Theorem 4.3 of [7] that  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is associative if and only if  $\Gamma$  is nilpotent of class  $n$  with  $n \leq 2$ , which gives a characterization for  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  to form a group under the induced gyrogroup operation. The converse of Theorem 1 is also true in the sense that if the underlying set of  $\Gamma$  is a gyrogroup under the binary operation defined by (1) with the gyration map sending the pair  $(a, b)$  to the inner automorphism that is generated by  $[a^{-1}, b]$ , then  $\Gamma/Z(\Gamma)$  is necessarily commutator-inversion invariant by Theorem 4.4 of [7].

A (finite or infinite) group  $\Gamma$  is said to be 3-residual provided the map  $T$  defined on  $\Gamma$  by  $T(x) = x^3$  is surjective or, equivalently, if any element of  $\Gamma$  can be written as a cube element in  $\Gamma$ . A gyrogroup is degenerate if its operation is associative. Therefore, every degenerate gyrogroup forms a group under the gyrogroup operation. Suppose that  $G$  is a gyrogroup. We say that elements  $a, b$ , and  $c$  of  $G$  are associative if  $a \oplus (b \oplus c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c$ ; that elements  $a$  and  $b$  of  $G$  gyrocommute if  $a \oplus b = \text{gyr}[a, b](b \oplus a)$ ; that  $G$  is gyrocommutative if  $a$  and  $b$  gyrocommute for all  $a, b \in G$ .

## 2. Algebraic properties of gyrogroups induced by CCII groups

In view of Theorem 1, any group such that its quotient by the center is a commutator-inversion invariant group is crucial to construction of a gyrogroup. Therefore, we introduce the notion of a CCII group as follows.

**Definition 1** *A group  $\Gamma$  is said to be CCII if the central quotient  $\Gamma/Z(\Gamma)$  is commutator-inversion invariant.*

We give a few remarks here. It is clear that any abelian group is CCII; moreover,  $\Gamma/Z(\Gamma)$  is obviously commutator-inversion invariant. Throughout the remainder of this article, if  $\Gamma$  is a CCII group, then the gyrogroup  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  constructed via Theorem 1 will be employed. Suppose that  $\Gamma$  and  $\Pi$  are CCII groups. According to Proposition 4.2 of [7],  $\Gamma \cong \Pi$  implies  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}} \cong \Pi^{\text{gyr}}$ . The converse does not in general hold. However, the converse holds under certain conditions. For instance, if  $\Gamma$  is 3-residual, then the converse holds by Theorem 4.5 of [7]. According to Proposition 4.3 of [7], the order of an element  $g$  in  $\Gamma$  equals the order of  $g$  in  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . Furthermore, every subgroup of  $\Gamma$  forms a subgyrogroup of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . In contrast, a subgyrogroup  $H$  of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  forms a subgroup of  $\Gamma$  if and only if  $hHh^{-1} \subseteq H$  for all  $h \in H$ .

The main goal of this section is to investigate further properties of the gyrogroup induced by a CCII group. It turns out that algebraic properties of CCII groups and their corresponding gyrogroups are intertwined and have strong connections. We begin by proving that the process of constructing a gyrogroup as in Theorem 1 and the process of taking finite direct products are interchangeable.

**Proposition 1** *Let  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$  be CCII groups. Then,  $\Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2$  is a CCII group, and*

$$(\Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2)^{\text{gyr}} = \Gamma_1^{\text{gyr}} \times \Gamma_2^{\text{gyr}}.$$

**Proof** The first part of the proposition was proved in Proposition 3.4 of [7]. Note that the underlying sets of  $(\Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2)^{\text{gyr}}$  and  $\Gamma_1^{\text{gyr}} \times \Gamma_2^{\text{gyr}}$  are equal. It remains to show that the gyrogroup operations on these two sets coincide. We temporarily denote the gyrogroup operations in  $(\Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2)^{\text{gyr}}$ ,  $\Gamma_1^{\text{gyr}}$ , and  $\Gamma_2^{\text{gyr}}$  by  $\oplus_c$ . Then, we

obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b) \oplus_c (b, d) &= (a, b)(a, b)(c, d)(a, b)^{-1} \\ &= (aaca^{-1}, bdb^{-1}) \\ &= (a \oplus_c c, b \oplus_c d) \\ &= (a, b) \oplus (c, d), \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof. □

Note that Proposition 1 is easily extended to the case of a finite number of CCII groups. Moreover, the proposition is not, in general, true for semidirect products. In fact, the symmetric group  $S_3$  of degree 3 is not commutator-inversion invariant since  $[(1\ 2\ 3), (2\ 3)] = (1\ 2\ 3)$ , whereas  $[(1\ 2\ 3)^{-1}, (2\ 3)^{-1}] = (1\ 3\ 2)$ . This also implies that  $S_3$  is not CCII since the center of  $S_3$  is trivial. It is known that  $S_3$  can be recognized as the semidirect product of the cyclic groups of order 2 and order 3 and that every cyclic group is CCII. Next, we show that the structures of  $\Gamma$  and  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  are identical whenever  $\Gamma$  is an abelian group. Therefore, we may pay attention to non-abelian CCII groups.

**Proposition 2** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCII group, and let  $a, b \in \Gamma$ . Then,  $a \oplus b = ab$  if and only if  $ab = ba$ .*

**Proof** This proposition follows directly from the fact that  $a \oplus b = ab$  if and only if  $aaba^{-1} = ab$  if and only if  $ab = ba$ . □

In fact, according to Theorem 4.3 of [7], the gyrogroup induced by any nilpotent group of class  $n$ , where  $n \leq 2$ , is degenerate. The next proposition shows some relationships between (group) homomorphisms of  $\Gamma$  and (gyrogroup) homomorphisms of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . In particular, this gives a characterization for a homomorphism of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  to be a homomorphism of  $\Gamma$ .

**Proposition 3** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCII group, and let  $\phi : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma$  be a map.*

1. *If  $\phi$  is a homomorphism of  $\Gamma$ , then  $\phi$  is a homomorphism of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ .*
2. *Let  $\phi$  be a homomorphism of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . Then,  $\phi$  is a homomorphism of  $\Gamma$  if and only if  $\phi \circ \alpha_a = \alpha_{\phi(a)} \circ \phi$  for all  $a \in \Gamma$ , where  $\alpha_a$  denotes the inner automorphism generated by  $a$ .*

**Proof** In view of (1), part 1 holds trivially. The proof of the forward implication of part 2 is straightforward. To prove the converse of part 2, note that  $\phi(a^{-1}) = \phi(\ominus a) = \ominus \phi(a) = \phi(a)^{-1}$  for all  $a \in \Gamma$  since  $\phi$  preserves

taking gyrogroup inverses. Suppose that  $\phi \circ \alpha_a = \alpha_{\phi(a)} \circ \phi$  for all  $a \in \Gamma$ . Let  $a, b \in \Gamma$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(ab) &= \phi(a^{-1}aaba^{-1}a) \\ &= \phi(a^{-1}(a \oplus b)a) \\ &= \phi \circ \alpha_{a^{-1}}(a \oplus b) \\ &= \alpha_{\phi(a^{-1})} \circ \phi(a \oplus b) \\ &= \alpha_{\phi(a^{-1})}(\phi(a) \oplus \phi(b)) \\ &= \phi(a^{-1})\phi(a)\phi(a)\phi(b)\phi(a)^{-1}\phi(a^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= \phi(a)^{-1}\phi(a)\phi(a)\phi(b)\phi(a)^{-1}\phi(a) \\ &= \phi(a)\phi(b), \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of part 2. □

In light of Proposition 3, we gain the following corollary immediately.

**Corollary 1** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCH group, and let  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{gyr}}$  be the subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\Gamma^{\text{gyr}})$  generated by all the gyroautomorphisms of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ .*

1. *Then,  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{gyr}} \subseteq \text{Aut}(\Gamma) \subseteq \text{Aut}(\Gamma^{\text{gyr}})$ .*
2. *Let  $\phi$  be an automorphism of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . Then,  $\phi$  is an automorphism of  $\Gamma$  if and only if  $\phi \circ \alpha_a = \alpha_{\phi(a)} \circ \phi$  for all  $a \in \Gamma$ .*

The following proposition gives a characterization for three elements in the induced gyrogroup being associative. In particular, it shows that the induced gyrogroup  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  satisfies the associative law (that is,  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is degenerate) if and only if all the commutators of  $\Gamma$  lie in the center of  $\Gamma$ .

**Proposition 4** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCH group, and let  $a, b, c \in \Gamma$ . Then,*

$$a \oplus (b \oplus c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c$$

*in  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  if and only if  $c$  is a fixed point of the inner automorphism  $\alpha_{[a^{-1}, b]}$ .*

**Proof** Recall that  $\text{gyr}[a, b] = \alpha_{[a^{-1}, b]}$  for all  $a, b \in \Gamma$ . Then, for all  $a, b, c \in \Gamma$ , we obtain by the left cancellation law in  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  that

$$\begin{aligned} a \oplus (b \oplus c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c &\Leftrightarrow (a \oplus b) \oplus \text{gyr}[a, b](c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c \\ &\Leftrightarrow \text{gyr}[a, b](c) = c \\ &\Leftrightarrow \alpha_{[a^{-1}, b]}(c) = c, \end{aligned}$$

and the proof is complete. □

**Corollary 2** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCH group. Then,  $\Gamma$  is nilpotent of class at most 2 if and only if  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is degenerate.*

**Proof** By Proposition 4,  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is degenerate if and only if  $[a, b]$  lies in  $Z(\Gamma)$  for all  $a, b \in \Gamma$  if and only if  $\Gamma$  is nilpotent of class  $n$  with  $n \leq 2$ .  $\square$

We remark that Corollary 2 was first proved by Foguel and Ungar in [2] in terms of left gyrogroups (see Theorem 3.6 of [2]). Next, we give a characterization for two elements in  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  to gyrocommute. In particular, we prove that the induced gyrogroup  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is gyrocommutative if and only if any element of  $\Gamma$  commutes with any cube element of  $\Gamma$ .

**Proposition 5** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCH group, and let  $a, b \in \Gamma$ . Then,*

$$a \oplus b = \text{gyr}[a, b](b \oplus a)$$

*in  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  if and only if  $ab^3 = b^3a$  in  $\Gamma$ .*

**Proof** A direct computation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} a \oplus b = \text{gyr}[a, b](b \oplus a) &\Leftrightarrow aaba^{-1} = [a^{-1}, b]bbab^{-1}[a^{-1}, b]^{-1} \\ &\Leftrightarrow aaba^{-1} = ab^{-1}a^{-1}bbab^{-1}b^{-1}aba^{-1} \\ &\Leftrightarrow ab^3 = b^3a, \end{aligned}$$

and the proof completes.  $\square$

**Corollary 3** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCH group. Then,  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is gyrocommutative if and only if  $ab^3 = b^3a$  for all  $a, b \in \Gamma$ .*

**Proof** The corollary follows immediately from Proposition 5.  $\square$

In view of Corollary 3, we have a sufficient condition for  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  being gyrocommutative and  $\Gamma$  being abelian to be equivalent, which is given below.

**Proposition 6** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCH group. If  $\Gamma$  is 3-residual, then  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is gyrocommutative if and only if  $\Gamma$  is abelian.*

**Proof** Suppose that  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is gyrocommutative. Let  $a, b \in \Gamma$ . Since  $\Gamma$  is 3-residual, there exists an element  $c \in \Gamma$  such that  $c^3 = b$ . By Corollary 3,  $ab = ac^3 = c^3a = ba$ . Conversely, if  $\Gamma$  is abelian, then  $ab^3 = b^3a$  for all  $a, b \in \Gamma$ , and so  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is gyrocommutative by Corollary 3.  $\square$

As shown in the proof of Corollary 4.5 of [7], on the class of finite groups, the order of a group  $\Gamma$  is not divisible by 3 implies that  $\Gamma$  is 3-residual. Thus, we have the following corollary immediately.

**Corollary 4** *If  $\Gamma$  is a finite CCH group such that  $|\Gamma|$  is not divisible by 3, then  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is gyrocommutative if and only if  $\Gamma$  is abelian.*

It turns out that the property of being 3-residual is equivalent to the condition that the order of the corresponding group is not divisible by 3 on the class of finite groups. Moreover, this fact is true not only for the prime 3. Therefore, we state the following result for any prime  $p$ . Let  $p$  be a fixed prime. A (finite or infinite) group  $\Gamma$  is said to be  $p$ -residual if the power map  $P$  defined on  $\Gamma$  by  $P(x) = x^p$  is surjective or, equivalently,  $g \in \Gamma$  implies  $g = h^p$  for some element  $h \in \Gamma$ .

**Theorem 2** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a finite group with identity 1, and let  $p$  be a prime. Then,  $\Gamma$  is  $p$ -residual if and only if  $p$  does not divide the order of  $\Gamma$ .*

**Proof** Suppose that  $\Gamma$  is  $p$ -residual. Assume, to the contrary, that  $p$  divides  $|\Gamma|$ . By Cauchy's theorem, there is an element  $1 \neq g_1 \in \Gamma$  such that  $|g_1| = p$ . By assumption,  $g_1 = g_2^p$  for some  $g_2 \in \Gamma$ . Note that  $g_2 \neq 1$  since otherwise  $g_1 = 1$ . Since  $g_2^{p^2} = g_1^p = 1$ ,  $|g_2|$  divides  $p^2$ , and so  $|g_2| \in \{1, p, p^2\}$ . If  $|g_2| = 1$ , then  $g_2 = 1$ , which would imply  $g_1 = 1$ , a contradiction. If  $|g_2| = p$ , then  $g_1 = g_2^p = 1$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $|g_2| = p^2$ . Next, we prove that if there are elements  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n, g_{n+1}$  of  $\Gamma$  such that  $g_i \neq 1, |g_i| = p^i, g_i = g_{i+1}^p$  for all  $i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then  $|g_{n+1}| = p^{n+1}$ . Since  $g_{n+1}^{p^{n+1}} = g_n^{p^n} = 1$ , it follows that  $|g_{n+1}|$  divides  $p^{n+1}$ . If  $|g_{n+1}| = p^i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , then we would have  $g_{n+1-i} = g_{n+2-i}^p = g_{n+3-i}^{p^2} = \dots = g_n^{p^{i-1}} = g_{n+1}^{p^i} = 1$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $|g_{n+1}| = p^{n+1}$ . By induction, we gain an infinite sequence  $\{g_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$  of elements in  $\Gamma$  such that  $|g_i| = p^i$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , which contradicts the fact that  $\Gamma$  is finite. Thus,  $p$  does not divide  $|\Gamma|$ . The converse can be proved as in Corollary 4.5 of [7] with appropriate modifications. □

### 3. Topological properties of gyrogroups induced by CCII groups

The goal of this section is to prove some topological properties of the gyrogroup induced by a CCII topological group. It turns out that topological properties of CCII topological groups and their corresponding gyrogroups have some nice connections. Throughout this section, by a CCII topological group we mean a topological group that is also a CCII group. A few concrete examples of CCII topological groups are given below.

**Example 1** *One concrete example of an infinite CCII topological group is the classical Heisenberg group, denoted by  $\mathcal{H}$ , which is the group of matrices of the form*

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $x, y$ , and  $z$  are real numbers. In fact,  $\mathcal{H}$  is nilpotent of class 2 and hence is CCII by Proposition 3.1 and Corollary 3.1 of [7]. Furthermore,  $\mathcal{H}$  is a topological group since it forms a subgroup of the general linear group of degree 3 over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Example 2** *As in Example 5.1 of [7], the dihedral group*

$$D_{16} = \langle r, s : r^8 = s^2 = 1, rs = sr^{-1} \rangle$$

is a finite CCII group. We can topologize  $D_{16}$  to obtain a finite CCII topological group as follows. Recall that the center of  $D_{16}$  is  $Z(D_{16}) = \{1, r^4\}$ . Now, we put a non-discrete topology on  $D_{16}$  so that it becomes a topological group. Let  $\tau$  be the topology on  $D_{16}$  generated by  $D_{16}/Z(D_{16})$ . Observe that each pair of elements of  $D_{16}/Z(D_{16})$  is disjoint, and so the singletons in  $D_{16}$  are not open. Let  $a, b \in D_{16}$ , and let  $U$  be an open set containing  $ab$ . Then,  $aZ(D_{16})bZ(D_{16}) = abZ(D_{16}) \subseteq U$ . This shows that the multiplication of  $D_{16}$  is continuous. Next, let  $a \in D_{16}$ , and let  $V$  be an open set containing  $a^{-1}$ . Then,  $(aZ(D_{16}))^{-1} = a^{-1}Z(D_{16}) \subseteq V$ . This shows that the inversion function of  $D_{16}$  is continuous.

We begin with the following proposition, which shows that a CCII topological group induces a topological gyrogroup.

**Proposition 7** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCII topological group. Then,  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  forms a topological gyrogroup.*

**Proof** Note that the inversion function of  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is automatically continuous. Moreover, being a composition of continuous functions,  $\oplus$  is continuous. Therefore,  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is a topological gyrogroup.  $\square$

Let  $G$  be a topological gyrogroup. Recall that  $G$  is said to be a strongly topological gyrogroup if there exists a neighborhood base  $\mathcal{U}$  at the identity  $e$  of  $G$  such that  $\text{gyr}[x, y](U) = U$  for all  $x, y \in G, U \in \mathcal{U}$  (cf. Section 3 of [1]). For the relevant definitions such as an invariant metric, a gyronorm, we refer the reader to [6].

**Proposition 8** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCII group with an invariant metric  $d$ . Then, the function  $\|\cdot\| : \Gamma^{\text{gyr}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\|x\| = d(e, x)$  for all  $x \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is a gyronorm on  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . In particular,  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is a strongly topological gyrogroup with respect to the topology induced by  $d$ .*

**Proof** Let  $a, x, y \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . By definition,

$$d(a \oplus x, a \oplus y) = d(aaxa^{-1}, aaya^{-1}) = d(x, y).$$

Hence, by Theorem 9 of [6], the function  $\|\cdot\|$  is a gyronorm on  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . The last assertion follows from Proposition 7 and Theorem 16 of [9].  $\square$

For basic knowledge of topology used here, we refer the reader to [3], for instance. Recall that a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is called a neighborhood of a point  $x$  in  $X$  if it contains an open set containing  $x$ . Recall also that a nonempty subset  $A$  of a topological group  $\Gamma$  is said to be thin in  $\Gamma$  if for every neighborhood  $U$  of the identity  $e$  in  $\Gamma$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $e$  such that  $aVa^{-1} \subseteq U$  for all  $a \in A$ . If  $\Gamma$  is thin in itself, then  $\Gamma$  is said to be balanced (also known as a SIN-group). Then, we obtain the following proposition.

**Proposition 9** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCII topological group. Then, the derived subgroup  $\Gamma'$  is thin in  $\Gamma$  if and only if  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is a strongly topological gyrogroup.*

**Proof** Suppose that  $\Gamma'$  is thin in  $\Gamma$ . Let  $U$  be a neighborhood of  $e$ . Then, there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $e$  such that  $aVa^{-1} \subseteq U$  for all  $a \in \Gamma'$ . Then, the set

$$W = \bigcup_{a \in \Gamma'} aVa^{-1} \subseteq U$$

is a neighborhood of  $e$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{gyr}[x, y](W) &= [x^{-1}, y]W[x^{-1}, y]^{-1} \\ &= \bigcup_{a \in \Gamma'} [x^{-1}, y]aVa^{-1}[x^{-1}, y]^{-1} \\ &= \bigcup_{a \in \Gamma'} ([x^{-1}, y]a)V([x^{-1}, y]a)^{-1} \\ &= W \end{aligned}$$



for all  $x, y \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . Thus,  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is a strongly topological gyrogroup.

Conversely, suppose that  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is a strongly topological gyrogroup. Let  $U$  be a neighborhood of  $e$ . Then, there exists a neighborhood  $V \subseteq U$  of  $e$  such that  $[x, y]V[x, y]^{-1} = \text{gyr}[x^{-1}, y](V) = V$  for all  $x, y \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . Hence,  $\Gamma'$  is thin.  $\square$

**Corollary 5** *If  $\Gamma$  is a balanced CCII topological group, then  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is a strongly topological gyrogroup.*

**Proposition 10** *If  $\Gamma$  is a CCII topological group, then  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$  is uniformizable.*

**Proof** The proposition follows from the fact that  $\Gamma$  is uniformizable.  $\square$

Let  $\Gamma$  be a topological group, and let  $\mathcal{N}_s(e)$  be a symmetric open base at  $e$ . For each  $V \in \mathcal{N}_s(e)$ , define

$$\begin{aligned} E_V^l &= \{(x, y) \in \Gamma \times \Gamma : x^{-1}y \in V\}, \\ E_V^r &= \{(x, y) \in \Gamma \times \Gamma : xy^{-1} \in V\}, \\ E_V &= E_V^l \cap E_V^r. \end{aligned}$$

Denote by  $\mathcal{D}_\Gamma$  the set of all symmetric subsets of  $\Gamma \times \Gamma$ . Then, the following uniformities:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}^l &= \{U \in \mathcal{D}_\Gamma : E_V^l \subseteq U \text{ for some } V \in \mathcal{N}_s(e)\}, \\ \mathcal{U}^r &= \{U \in \mathcal{D}_\Gamma : E_V^r \subseteq U \text{ for some } V \in \mathcal{N}_s(e)\}, \\ \mathcal{U} &= \{U \in \mathcal{D}_\Gamma : E_V \subseteq U \text{ for some } V \in \mathcal{N}_s(e)\} \end{aligned}$$

are called the left uniformity, right uniformity, and two-sided uniformity on  $\Gamma$ , respectively. It is well known in the literature that these three uniformities coincide if and only if the group  $\Gamma$  is balanced. For each  $U \in \mathcal{U}^l$  and for each  $x \in \Gamma$ , define

$$U[x] = \{y \in \Gamma : (x, y) \in U\}.$$

Note that if  $V \in \mathcal{N}_s(e)$ , then

$$E_V^l[x] = \{y \in \Gamma : (x, y) \in E_V^l\} = \{y \in \Gamma : x^{-1}y \in V\} = xV.$$

Now, suppose that  $\Gamma$  is a CCII topological group. Let  $L_a^{\text{gyr}}$  be the gyrotranslation by  $a$  defined on  $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ , and let  $L_a$  be the left multiplication by  $a$  defined on  $\Gamma$ . Since  $L_a^{\text{gyr}} = L_a \circ \alpha_a$  for all  $a \in \Gamma$ , the following proposition is immediate.

**Proposition 11** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCII topological group, and let  $\mathcal{V} \in \{\mathcal{U}^l, \mathcal{U}^r, \mathcal{U}\}$ . Then, the left gyrotranslation  $L_a^{\text{gyr}} : (\Gamma, \mathcal{V}) \rightarrow (\Gamma, \mathcal{V})$  is uniformly continuous for all  $a \in \Gamma$ .*

**Proposition 12** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CII topological group, and let  $\mathcal{V} \in \{\mathcal{U}^l, \mathcal{U}^r, \mathcal{U}\}$ . Then, the right gyrotranslation  $R_a^{\text{gyr}} : (\Gamma, \mathcal{V}) \rightarrow (\Gamma, \mathcal{V})$  is uniformly continuous for all  $a \in \Gamma$ .*

**Proof** Let  $a \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . Then, for each  $x \in \Gamma$ , a direct computation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} R_a^{\text{gyr}}(x) &= x \oplus a \\ &= (a^{-1} \oplus x^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= (a^{-1} a^{-1} x^{-1} a)^{-1} \\ &= a^{-1} x a a \\ &= R_a \circ \alpha_{a^{-1}}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $R_a^{\text{gyr}} = R_a \circ \alpha_{a^{-1}}$ , and so  $R_a^{\text{gyr}}$  is uniformly continuous. □

**Theorem 3** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a CCII topological group. Then, the collection*

$$\widehat{\Gamma}^{\text{gyr}} = \{L_a^{\text{gyr}} : a \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}\}$$

*is equicontinuous with respect to  $\mathcal{U}^l$  if and only if  $\Gamma$  is balanced.*

**Proof** Suppose that  $\widehat{\Gamma}^{\text{gyr}}$  is equicontinuous with respect to  $\mathcal{U}^l$ . Let  $U \in \mathcal{N}_s(e)$ . By assumption, there is an open set  $V$  containing  $e$  such that

$$L_a^{\text{gyr}}(V) \subseteq E_U^l[L_a^{\text{gyr}}(e)] = L_a^{\text{gyr}}(e)U = aU$$

for all  $a \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . That is,  $\alpha_a(V) \subseteq L_{a^{-1}}(aU) = U$  for all  $a \in \Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$ . Thus,  $\Gamma$  is balanced. Conversely, suppose that  $\Gamma$  is balanced. Let  $x \in \Gamma$ , and let  $U \in \mathcal{N}_s(e)$ . Since  $\Gamma$  is balanced, there is an open set  $V$  containing  $e$  such that  $V \subseteq a^{-1}Ua$  for all  $a \in \Gamma$ . It follows that

$$L_a^{\text{gyr}}(xV) = aaxVa^{-1} \subseteq aaxa^{-1}Uaa^{-1} = (a \oplus x)U = L_a^{\text{gyr}}(x)U = E_U^l[L_a^{\text{gyr}}(x)]$$

for all  $a \in \Gamma$ . Hence,  $\widehat{\Gamma}^{\text{gyr}}$  is equicontinuous with respect to  $\mathcal{U}^l$ . □

#### 4. CCII groups of order less than 32

In this section, we collect finite CCII groups of order less than 32, using a classification of finite non-abelian groups, up to isomorphism, as in Appendix B of [4]. Recall that any group of order 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 23, 25, 29, and 31 is abelian. In Section 5 of [7], the author collects all finite CCII groups of order less than 24. We continue to determine all finite CCII groups of order  $n$  with  $24 \leq n < 32$ . In Table 1,  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  denotes the cyclic group of order  $n$ ,  $D_n$  denotes the dihedral group of order  $n$ ,  $Q_n$  denotes the generalized quaternion of order  $n$ ,  $A_4$  denotes the alternating group of degree 4,  $S_4$  denotes the symmetric group of degree 4,  $SL(2, 3)$  is the special linear group of  $2 \times 2$  matrices with entries from a field of order 3,  $B(2, 3)$  is the Burnside group, and the group  $\Gamma_{m,n}$  has order  $m$  and is defined by the following presentations:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{24,1} &= \langle x, y : x^3 = y^8 = 1, yxy^{-1} = x^{-1} \rangle, \\ \Gamma_{24,t} &= \langle x, y, z : x^4 = y^2 = z^3 = 1, yxy^{-1} = x^{-1}, xzx^{-1} = z^{-1}, yzy^{-1} = z \rangle, \\ \Gamma_{27,1} &= \langle x, y : x^9 = y^3 = 1, yxy^{-1} = x^4 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

It turns out that only four groups are CCII:  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times D_8, \mathbb{Z}_3 \times Q_8, \Gamma_{27,1}$ , and  $B(2, 3)$ . Unfortunately, their corresponding gyrogroups are degenerate, and so they give no new examples of gyrogroup structures.

**Table 1.** The non-abelian groups of order  $n$  with  $24 \leq n < 32$ , up to isomorphism.

Order	Group $\Gamma$	CCII group	Structure of $\Gamma^{\text{gyr}}$
24	$\mathbb{Z}_4 \times D_6$	no	n/a
24	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times Q_{12}$	no	n/a
24	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times D_{12}$	no	n/a
24	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times A_4$	no	n/a
24	$\mathbb{Z}_3 \times D_8$	yes	degenerate gyrogroup
24	$D_{24}$	no	n/a
24	$S_4$	no	n/a
24	$Q_{24}$	no	n/a
24	$SL(2, 3)$	no	n/a
24	$\mathbb{Z}_3 \times Q_8$	yes	degenerate gyrogroup
24	$\Gamma_{24,1}$	no	n/a
24	$\Gamma_{24,t}$	no	n/a
26	$D_{26}$	no	n/a
27	$\Gamma_{27,1}$	yes	degenerate gyrogroup
27	$B(2, 3)$	yes	degenerate gyrogroup
28	$D_{28}$	no	n/a
28	$Q_{28}$	no	n/a
30	$D_{30}$	no	n/a
30	$\mathbb{Z}_3 \times D_{10}$	no	n/a
30	$\mathbb{Z}_5 \times D_6$	no	n/a

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