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## ON SEMIGROUPS OF OPERATIONS

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Several abstract characterizations of algebras of operations can be found in [1]—[5] and many other papers. Here we consider two kinds of normed semigroups, and we show that every such semigroup is a subsemigroup of a corresponding semigroup of operations, and of a semigroup of sequences as well.

### 1. ADDITIVELY NORMED SEMIGROUPS

We say that  $(S; +; ||)$  is an additively normed semigroup (a.n.s.) iff  $(S; +)$  is a semigroup (not necessarily commutative), and  $x \mapsto |x|$  is a mapping from  $S$  into the set of positive integers, such that  $|x + y| = |x| + |y| - 1$ , for any  $x, y \in S$ .

**Example 1.1.** Let  $A$  be a non-empty set, and let  $O_n(A)$  be the set of all  $n$ -ary operations on  $A$ , and  $O(A) = \cup \{O_n(A) : n \geq 1\}$ . If  $f \in O_n(A)$ , then we write  $|f| = n$ . Define a binary operation "+" on  $O(A)$  by:

$$f + g(x_1, \dots, x_{m+n-1}) = f(g(x_1, \dots, x_m), x_{m+1}, \dots, x_{m+n-1}),$$

where  $|f| = n$ ,  $|g| = m$ . Then,  $(O(A); +; ||)$  is an a.n.s. An arbitrary a.n.s.  $(S; +; ||)$  called an additively normed semigroup of operations (a.n.s.o.) if it is isomorphic to a subsemigroup of  $(O(A); +; ||)$ , for some  $A \neq \emptyset$ .

**Example 1.2.** Let  $(B; \cdot)$  be a semigroup and  $S(B) = \{(b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n) : b_i \in B, n \geq 1\}$  be the set of sequences on  $B$  with lengths  $\geq 2$ . Then,  $(S(B); +; ||)$  is an a.n.s., where:

$$a = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n), \quad b = (b_0, b_1, \dots, b_m),$$

implies that  $|a| = n$ ,  $|b| = m$ , and:

$$a + b = (a_0 b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}, b_m a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n).$$

The notion of an "additively normed semigroup of sequences" (a.n.s.s.) is clear.

**THEOREM 1.** *Every a.n.s. is an a.n.s.o. and an a.n.s.s. as well.*

**Proof.** Let  $(S; +; ||)$  be an a.n.s., and  $a \in S$ ,  $|a| = n$ . Define an  $n$ -ary operation  $\bar{a}$  on  $S$  in the following way:

$$(\forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in S) \bar{a}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = a + x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n.$$

It is clear that  $a \mapsto \bar{a}$  is a homomorphism from  $(S; +; ||)$  into  $(O(S); +; ||)$ . This homomorphism is injective iff the following implication is satisfied:

$$a, b \in S, |a| = |b| = n \text{ and } [(\forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in S) a + x_1 + \dots + x_n = \\ = b + x_1 + \dots + x_n] \Rightarrow a = b.$$

If this condition is not satisfied, then we can extend the given a.n.s. to an a.n.s. which does satisfy it. Namely, we can add a new element  $e$  as an identity and put  $|e| = 1$ . Thus, we obtain an a.n.s.  $(S^e; +; ||)$  which satisfies the above implication, and contains  $(S; +; ||)$  as a subsemigroup.

This shows that every a.n.s. is an a.n.s.o.

(Certainly, the given proof is an obvious generalization of the well-known proof of the statement that every semigroup can be embedded into a semigroup of transformations.)

It remains to be shown that  $(S; +; ||)$  is an a.n.s.s.

First we consider a subset  $\hat{S}$  of  $S \times N$  ( $N$  is the set of nonnegative integers) defined by:

$$\hat{S} = \{(a, i) \mid 0 \leq i \leq |a|\}.$$

(Instead of  $(a, i)$  we will write  $a_i$ .) Denote by  $(a, b; c)$  the following set of "semigroup defining relations":

$$\{a_0 b_0 = c_0, b_1 = c_1, \dots, b_{m-1} = c_{m-1}, b_m a_1 = c_m, a_2 = c_{m+1}, \dots, a_n = \\ = c_{m+n-1}\},$$

where  $|a| = n$ ,  $|b| = m$ , and  $a + b = c$ . Let  $(B, \cdot)$  be the semigroup with the following presentation:

$$\langle \hat{S}; \cup \{(a, b; c) : a + b = c\} \rangle$$

The mapping:

$$a \mapsto a^{\sim} = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n), \text{ with } |a| = n,$$

is a homomorphism from  $(S; +; ||)$  into  $(S(B); +; ||)$ .

Assume that  $a^{\sim} = b^{\sim}$ . Then we have  $a_0 = b_0$  in  $B$ . But it is not difficult to show that if

$$a_0 = a \cdot a_1^{(p)} \dots a_1^{(p)} \text{ in } B$$



then

$$i' = i'' = \dots = i^{(p)} = 0 \text{ and } a = a' + \dots + a^{(p)} \text{ in } S.$$

Thus,  $a_0 = b_0$  in  $B \Rightarrow a = b$  in  $S$ , and therefore the mapping  $a \mapsto a^{\sim}$  is an injective homomorphism.

This completes the proof of Theorem.

## 2. MULTIPLICATIVELY NORMED SEMIGROUPS

By a multiplicatively normed semigroup (m.n.s.) we mean a structure  $(S; * ; ||)$  such that  $(S; *)$  is a semigroup and  $x \mapsto |x|$  is a homomorphism from  $(S; *)$  into the multiplicative semigroup of positive integers.

**Example 2.1.** If a binary operation  $*$  is defined on  $O(A)$  by:  
 $f * g(x_1, \dots, x_{mn}) = f(g(x_1, \dots, x_m), g(x_{m+1}, \dots, x_{2m}), \dots, g(\dots, x_{mn}))$ ,  
 where  $A \neq \emptyset$ ,  $|f| = n$ ,  $|g| = m$ , then a m.n.s.  $(O(A); * ; ||)$  is obtained.

**Example 2.2.** Let  $(B, \cdot)$  be a semigroup and let an operation  $*$  be defined on  $S(B)$  as follows:

$$(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n) * (b_0, b_1, \dots, b_m) = \\ = (a_0 b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}, b_m a_1 b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}, \dots, b_m a_{n-1} b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}, b_m a_n).$$

Then  $(S(B); * ; ||)$  is an m.n.s.

The meanings of "m.n.s.o" and "m.n.s.s." are clear.

**THEOREM 2.** Every m.n.s. is an m.n.s.o. and an m.n.s.s. as well.

**Proof.** First we will show the second part of Theorem.

Let  $(S; * ; ||)$  be an m.n.s. and let  $\hat{S}$  be defined as in the proof of the second part of Theorem 1.

Define by  $[a, b; c]$  the following set of semigroup defining relations:

$$\{a_0 b_0 = c_0, b_1 = c_1, \dots, b_{m-1} = c_{m-1}, b_m a_1 b_0 = c_m, b_1 = c_{m+1}, \dots, b_{m-1} = \\ = c_{2m-1}, b_m a_2 b_0 = c_{2m}, \dots, b_m a_{n-1} b_0 = c_{(n-1)m}, b_1 = c_{(n-1)m+1}, \dots, b_{m-1} = \\ = c_{nm-1}, b_m a_n = c_{nm}\},$$

where  $a * b = c$ ,  $|a| = n$ ,  $|b| = m$ . Consider the semigroup  $(C; \cdot)$  determined by the following presentation:

$$\langle \hat{S}; \cup \{[a, b; c] : a * b = c\} \rangle.$$

It can be shown in the same way as in the proof of the second part of Theorem 1, that if  $a_0 = b_0$  in  $c$  then  $a = b$  in  $S$ , and this implies that the mapping

$$a \mapsto (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n) \quad (|a| = n)$$

is an injective homomorphism from  $(S; *, \parallel)$  into  $(S(C); *, \parallel)$ . This proves that  $(S; *, \parallel)$  is an m.n.s.s.

Now we will find an injective homomorphism from  $(S; *, \parallel)$  into  $(O(C); *, \parallel)$ , and thus the proof of Theorem will be complete.

Let  $a \in S$ ,  $|a| = n$ , and let  $\bar{a} \in O_n(C)$  be defined by:

$$\bar{a}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = a_0 x_1 a_1 x_2 \dots a_{n-1} x_n a_n.$$

Clearly  $a \mapsto \bar{a}$  is a homomorphism from  $(S; *, \parallel)$  into  $(O(C); *, \parallel)$ .

Assume that  $a, b \in S$  are such that  $\bar{a} = \bar{b}$ . Then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 a_1 a_1 \dots a_{n-1} a_1 a_n &= \bar{a}(a_1, \dots, a_1) = \bar{b}(a_1, \dots, a_1) = \\ &= b_0 a_1 b_1 \dots b_{n-1} a_1 b_n \end{aligned}$$

in  $C$ . But, it can easily be seen that if  $a_0 a_1 u = b_0 a_1 v$  in  $C$ , then  $a_0 = b_0$ , and therefore  $a = b$ .

This completes the proof.

### 3. POSITION ALGEBRAS

The class of position algebras is introduced in [1], and position algebras of operations are considered first in [4]. (See also [3] and [5].) Namely,  $(S; \{+_i^i : i \geq 1\}; \parallel)$  is a position algebra (p.a.) if  $\{+_i^i : i \geq 1\}$  is a set of partial binary operations on  $S$ , and  $x \mapsto |x|$  is a mapping from  $S$  into the set of positive integers, such that the following statements are satisfied:

- (I)  $a, b \in S, i \geq 1 \Rightarrow (a +_i^i b \in S \Leftrightarrow i \leq |a|)$ ;
- (II)  $1 \leq i \leq |a| \Rightarrow |a +_i^i b| = |a| + |b| - 1$ ;
- (III)  $1 \leq i \leq |a|, 1 \leq j \leq |b| \Rightarrow a +_i^i (b +_j^j c) = (a +_i^i b) +_{i+j-1}^{i+j-1} c$ ;
- (IV)  $1 \leq j < i \leq |a| \Rightarrow (a +_i^i b) +_j^j c = (a +_j^j c) +_{i+j-1}^{i+j-1} b$ .

**Example 3.1.** Let  $A \neq \emptyset$ ,  $f \in O_n(A)$ ,  $g \in O_m(A)$ , and  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Then  $h = f +_i^i g \in O_{m+n-1}(A)$  is defined by:

$$h(x_1, \dots, x_{m+n-1}) = f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, g(x_i, \dots, x_{m+i-1}), \dots, x_{m+n-1}).$$

Thus we obtain a p.a.  $(O(A); \{+_i^i : i \geq 1\}; \parallel)$ .

**Example 3.2.** Let  $(B, \cdot)$  be a semigroup. A p.a.  $(S(B); \{+_i^i : i \geq 1\}; \parallel)$  can be defined as follows:

$$a +_i^i b = (a_0, \dots, a_{i-2}, a_{i-1} b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}, b_m a_i, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_n),$$

where

$$a = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n), b = (b_0, b_1, \dots, b_m), \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$



The meanings of "position algebras of operations" and of "position algebras of sequences" are clear.

**THEOREM 3.** *Every position algebra is a position algebra of operations and the class of position algebras of sequences is a proper subclass of the class of position algebras.*

**Proof.** The first part of Theorem is shown in [5; p.p. 18, 23]. The second part of Theorem is a consequence of the fact that in the position algebras of sequences there hold some implications ("quasiidentities") which are not true in the class of all position algebras. For example, if  $(S; +; i : i \geq 1; ||)$  is a position algebra of sequences, and if  $a, b, c', c'', d', d'' \in S$  are such that  $3 \leq |a| = |b|$  and  $a + c' = b + c'', a + d' = b + d''$ , then  $a = b$ . But, if  $A$  has at least two elements, this implication does not hold in  $O(A; +; i : i \geq 1; ||)$ .

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.

**Remark.** It is clear that if  $(S; \{+; i : i \geq 1\}; ||)$  is a position algebra, then  $(S; +; ||)$  is an a.n.s. and  $(S; *; ||)$  is an m.n.s., where:

$$a * b = (\dots ((a + b) ({}^m + b) \dots) ({}^{n-1} + b) b, \quad |a| = n, \quad |b| = m.$$

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#### ПОЛУГРУПИ НА ОПЕРАЦИИ

##### Резиме

Познати се позеке апстрактни карактеристики на алгебрите на операции. Овде се разгледуваат две класи нормирани полугрупи и се покажува дека секоја таква полугрупа може да се смести во соодветна полугрупа од операции.

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