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**THE EMBEDDING OF AN ORDERED SEMIGROUP INTO AN
LE-SEMIGROUP**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we prove the following: If S is an ordered semigroup, then the set $\mathcal{P}(S)$ of all subsets of S with the multiplication " \circ " on $\mathcal{P}(S)$ defined by " $A \circ B := (AB]$ " if $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(S)$, $A \neq \emptyset$, $B \neq \emptyset$ and $A \circ B := \emptyset$ if $A = \emptyset$ or $B = \emptyset$ is an le-semigroup having a zero element and S is embedded in $\mathcal{P}(S)$.

If (S, \cdot, \leq) is an ordered semigroup, for $A \subseteq S$, we define $(A] := \{t \in S \mid t \leq a \text{ for some } a \in A\}$. For $A = \{a\}$, we write $(a]$ instead of $(\{a\}]$. An element 0 of S is called the zero element of S if $0 \leq x$ and $0x = x0 = 0$ for all $x \in S$ [1]. Let (S, \cdot, \leq) , (T, \circ, \preceq) be ordered semigroups, $f : S \rightarrow T$ a mapping from S into T .

The mapping f is called isotone if $x, y \in S$, $x \leq y$ implies $f(x) \leq f(y)$. f is called reverse isotone if $x, y \in S$, $f(x) \preceq f(y)$ implies $x \leq y$. [Each reverse isotone mapping is (1-1): Let $x, y \in S$, $f(x) = f(y)$. Since $f(x) \preceq f(y)$, we have $x \leq y$. Since $f(y) \preceq f(x)$, we have $y \leq x$.] f is called a homomorphism if it is isotone and satisfies $f(xy) = f(x) \circ f(y)$ for all $x, y \in S$. f is called an isomorphism if it is onto, homomorphism and reverse isotone. S and T are called isomorphic if there exists an isomorphism between them [3]. S is embedded in T if, by definition, S is isomorphic to a subset of T , i.e., if there exists a mapping $f : S \rightarrow T$ which is homomorphism and reverse isotone [4]. An l-semigroup (: lattice ordered semigroup) is a semigroup S at the same time a lattice satisfying the conditions $a(b \vee c) = ab \vee ac$ and $(a \vee b)c = ac \vee bc$ for all $a, b, c \in S$ [1]. By an le-semigroup we mean an l-semigroup having a greatest element " e " (i.e. $e \geq a$ for all $a \in S$) [2]. We denote by $\mathcal{P}(S)$ the set of all subsets of S .

Theorem. *Let (S, \cdot, \leq) be an ordered semigroup. We define a multiplication " \circ " on $\mathcal{P}(S)$ as follows:*

$$\circ : \mathcal{P}(S) \times \mathcal{P}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(S) \mid (A, B) \rightarrow A \circ B$$

where

$$A \circ B := \begin{cases} (AB] & \text{if } A, B \in \mathcal{P}(S) \setminus \{\emptyset\} \\ \emptyset & \text{if } A = \emptyset \text{ or } B = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Then $(\mathcal{P}(S), \circ, \subseteq)$ is an le-semigroup having a zero element and (S, \cdot, \leq) is embedded in $(\mathcal{P}(S), \circ, \subseteq)$.

Proof. First of all, the set $\mathcal{P}(S)$ is non-empty. The multiplication " \circ " on $\mathcal{P}(S)$ is well defined. Moreover, we have the following:

1) The multiplication " \circ " on $\mathcal{P}(S)$ is associative. In fact:

Let $A, B, C \in \mathcal{P}(S)$. If $A = \emptyset$ or $B = \emptyset$ or $C = \emptyset$, then $(A \circ B) \circ C = \emptyset$ and $A \circ (B \circ C) = \emptyset$, so $(A \circ B) \circ C = A \circ (B \circ C)$.

Let $A, B, C \in \mathcal{P}(S) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$. We have $A \circ B, B \circ C \in \mathcal{P}(S) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$. Let now $x \in (A \circ B) \circ C := ((A \circ B)C]$. Then $x \leq yc$ for some $y \in A \circ B$, $c \in C$. Since $y \in A \circ B := (AB]$, we have $y \leq ab$ for some $a \in A$, $b \in B$. Then

$$x \leq (ab)c = a(bc); \quad a \in A, \quad bc \in BC \subseteq (BC] := B \circ C,$$

so $x \in (A(B \circ C)] := A \circ (B \circ C)$. Similarly, $A \circ (B \circ C) \subseteq (A \circ B) \circ C$.

2) $(\mathcal{P}(S), \circ, \subseteq)$ is an le-semigroup:

Let $A, B, C \in \mathcal{P}(S)$. Then $A \circ (B \cup C) = (A \circ B) \cup (A \circ C)$. Indeed:

If $A = \emptyset$, then $A \circ (B \cup C) = \emptyset$, $A \circ B = \emptyset$, $A \circ C = \emptyset$.

If $B = \emptyset$, then $A \circ (B \cup C) = A \circ C$, $(A \circ B) \cup (A \circ C) = A \circ C$.

If $C = \emptyset$, then $A \circ (B \cup C) = A \circ B$, $(A \circ B) \cup (A \circ C) = A \circ B$.

Let $A, B, C \in \mathcal{P}(S) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$. We have

$$A \circ (B \cup C) := (A(B \cup C)], \quad A \circ B := (AB], \quad A \circ C := (AC].$$

Since $(AB], (AC] \subseteq (A(B \cup C)]$, we have $(AB] \cup (AC] \subseteq (A(B \cup C)]$. Let now $t \in (A(B \cup C)]$. Then $t \leq ax$ for some $a \in A$, $x \in B \cup C$. If $x \in B$, then $t \in (AB] \subseteq (AB] \cup (AC]$. If $x \in C$, then $t \in (AC] \subseteq (AB] \cup (AC]$. Similarly, for any $A, B, C \in \mathcal{P}(S) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$, we have $(A \cup B) \circ C = (A \circ C) \cup (B \circ C)$. Finally, S is the greatest element and \emptyset the zero element of $\mathcal{P}(S)$.

3) We consider the mapping

$$f : (S, \cdot, \leq) \rightarrow (\mathcal{P}(S), \circ, \subseteq) \mid a \rightarrow f(a) := (a].$$

The mapping f is well defined. Moreover,

A) The mapping f is a homomorphism. Indeed:

Let $a, b \in S$. We have $[a], [b] \in \mathcal{P}(S) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ (since $a \in [a]$, $b \in [b]$).

Thus we have

$$f(a) \circ f(b) = [a] \circ [b] := ([a][b]) = [ab] := f(ab).$$

Let $a, b \in S$, $a \leq b$. Then $f(a) := [a] \subseteq [b] := f(b)$.

B) The mapping f is reverse isotone: Let $a, b \in S$, $f(a) \subseteq f(b)$. Then $a \in [a] \subseteq [b]$, and $a \leq b$.

Remark. More generally, we have the following: If $A, B_i \in \mathcal{P}(S)$, $i \in I$, then

$$A \circ \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i) \text{ and } \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) \circ A = \bigcup_{i \in I} (B_i \circ A).$$

In fact,

A) If $A = \emptyset$, then $A \circ \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \emptyset$, and $A \circ B_i = \emptyset$ for all $i \in I$, so $\bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i) = \emptyset$.

Thus $A \circ \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i)$.

B) If $A \neq \emptyset$, then

I) If $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i = \emptyset$, then $A \circ \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \emptyset$. Since $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i = \emptyset$, we have $B_i = \emptyset$ for all $i \in I$, then $A \circ B_i = \emptyset$ for all $i \in I$, and $\bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i) = \emptyset$. Then

$$A \circ \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i).$$

II) Let $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \neq \emptyset$. We put $J := \{i \in I \mid B_i = \emptyset\}$, $K := \{i \in I \mid B_i \neq \emptyset\}$.

Clearly $I = J \cup K$ and $J \cap K = \emptyset$. If $K = \emptyset$, then $I = J$, $B_i = \emptyset$ for all $i \in I$, and $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i = \emptyset$. Impossible. Thus $K \neq \emptyset$.

$\alpha)$ Let $J = \emptyset$. Then $I = K$, $B_i \neq \emptyset$ for all $i \in I$. Since $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B_i \neq \emptyset$ for all $i \in I$, we have $A \circ B_i := (AB_i)$ for all $i \in I$. Then $\bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (AB_i)$.

Besides, $\bigcup_{i \in I} (AB_i) = (A(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i))$. Thus we have

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i) = (A(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)) \dots \dots (*)$$

Since $A \neq \emptyset$ and $(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i) \neq \emptyset$, we have $A \circ \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = (A(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i))$. Then, by (*),

$$A \circ \left(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (A \circ B_i).$$

$\beta)$ Let $J \neq \emptyset$. Then $B_i = \emptyset$ for all $i \in I$, $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i = \emptyset$, and

$$\emptyset \neq \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i = (\bigcup_{i \in J} B_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in K} B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in K} B_i.$$

Since $A \neq \emptyset$ and $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \neq \emptyset$, we have

$$A \circ (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i) = (A(\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i)] = (A(\bigcup_{i \in K} B_i)] = \bigcup_{i \in K} (AB_i].$$

Since $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B_i \neq \emptyset$ for all $i \in K$, we have $A \circ B_i := (AB_i]$ for all $i \in K$, and $\bigcup_{i \in K} (A \circ B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in K} (AB_i]$. Thus we have

$$A \circ (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in K} (A \circ B_i) \dots \dots \dots (**)$$

Since $B_i = \emptyset$ for all $i \in J$, we have $A \circ B_i = \emptyset$ for all $i \in J$, then $\bigcup_{i \in J} (A \circ B_i) = \emptyset$. Then

$$\bigcup_{i \in K} (A \circ B_i) \cup \bigcup_{i \in J} (A \circ B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in K \cup J} (A \circ B_i) \dots \dots \dots (***)$$

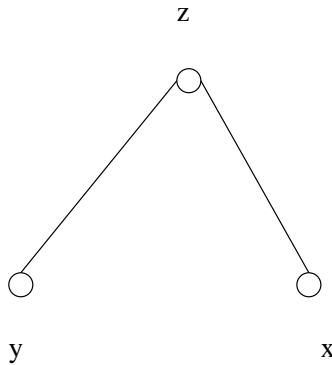
By (**) and (***), we have

$$A \circ (\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in K} (A \circ B_i) \cup \bigcup_{i \in J} (A \circ B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in K \cup J} (A \circ B_i) = \bigcup_{i \in J} (A \circ B_i). \quad \square$$

Example. We consider the ordered semigroup

$S = \{x, y, z\}$ defined by the multiplication and the figure below:

\cdot	x	y	z
x	x	x	z
y	x	y	z
z	x	z	z



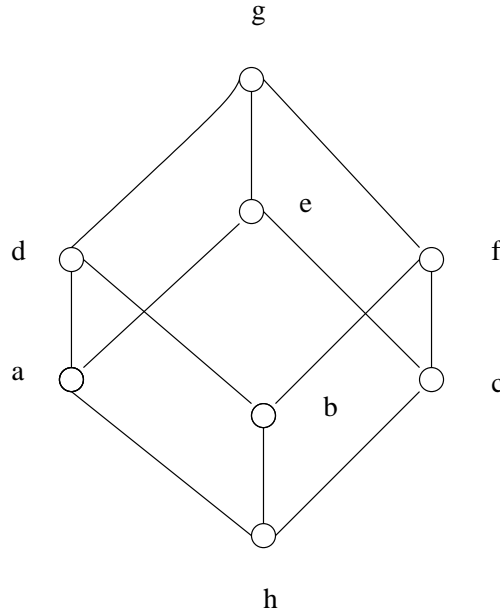
Applying the Theorem of this note, the ordered semigroup (S, \cdot, \leq) is embedded into the le-semigroup $L = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h\}$, defined by the multiplication "." and the order " \leq_L " below:

.	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
a	a	a	g	a	g	g	g	h
b	a	b	g	d	g	g	g	h
c	a	g	g	g	g	g	g	h
d	a	d	g	d	g	g	g	h
e	a	g	g	g	g	g	g	h
f	a	g	g	g	g	g	g	h
g	a	g	g	g	g	g	g	h
h	h	h	h	h	h	h	h	h

$$\leq_L = \{(a, a), (a, d), (a, e), (a, g), (b, b), (b, d), (b, f), (b, g), (c, d), (c, e), (c, f), (c, g), (d, d), (d, g), (e, e), (e, g), (f, f), (f, g), (g, g), (h, a), (h, b), (h, c), (h, d), (h, e), (h, f), (h, g), (h, h)\}.$$

We give the covering relation " \prec " and the figure of S .

$$\prec = \{(a, d), (a, e), (b, d), (b, f), (c, e), (c, f), (d, g), (e, g), (f, g), (h, a), (h, b), (h, c)\}.$$



The embedding is given by the mapping:

$$f : (S, ., \leq) \rightarrow (L, ., \leq_L) \left| \begin{array}{l} x \rightarrow a \\ y \rightarrow b \\ z \rightarrow g \end{array} \right.$$

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