

## A CONSTRUCTION OF COMPLETELY PRIME SUBSETS ASSOCIATED WITH IDEMPOTENTS OF A SEMIGROUP WITH APARTNESS

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**This investigation is in constructive algebra. We shall give a construction of completely prime strongly extensional subset  $M(e)$  associated with an idempotent  $e$  of a semigroup  $S$  equipped with an apartness, such that  $G_e \subseteq \overline{M(e)}$  and  $e \# M(e)$ , and we will give some descriptions of the family  $\{M(e) : e \in E(S)\}$ .**

Let  $(S, =, \neq, \cdot, 1)$  be a semigroup with apartness ([6], [7]) where the semigroup operation is strongly extensional in the sense

$$(\forall a, b, x, y \in S)(ax \neq by \Rightarrow a \neq b \wedge x \neq y).$$

Let  $T$  be a subset of  $S$ . We say that  $T$  is a left cosubsemigroup of  $S$  (or a right consistent subset of  $S$  ([2])) if and only if  $(\forall x, y \in S)(xy \in T \Rightarrow y \in T)$ , the set  $T$  is a right cosubsemigroup of  $S$  (or a left consistent subset of  $S$  ([2])) if and only if  $(\forall x, y \in S)(xy \in T \Rightarrow x \in T)$ , the set  $T$  is a cosubsemigroup of  $S$  (or a completely prime subset of  $S$  ([2])) if and only if  $(\forall x, y \in S)(xy \in T \Rightarrow x \in T \vee y \in T)$ , and the set  $T$  is a coideal of  $S$  (or a consistent subset of  $S$  ([2])) iff  $(\forall x, y \in S)(xy \in T \Rightarrow x \in T \wedge y \in T)$ . The subset  $T$  of  $S$  is strongly extensional ([6], [7]) iff  $(\forall x, y \in S)(x \in T \Rightarrow x \neq y \vee y \in T)$ . Let  $a \in S$ . By  $a \# T$  we denote  $(\forall t \in T)(t \neq a)$  and by  $\overline{T}$  we denote the set  $\{a \in S : a \# T\}$ . The subset  $T$  of  $S$  is detachable iff  $(\forall x \in S)(x \in T \vee x \# T)$  ([1], [6], [7]). A relation  $q$  on  $S$  is a coequality relation on  $S$  iff  $q$  is consistent, symmetric and cotransitive relation on  $S$  ([3], [4], [5]). A coequality relation  $q$  on  $S$  is a cocongruence ([3], [5]) or  $q$  is compatible with the semigroup operation on  $S$  iff  $(\forall a, b, x, y \in S)((ax, by) \in q \Rightarrow (a, b) \in q \vee (x, y) \in q)$ .

For undefined notions and notations we refer to the books [1], [2], [6] and to the papers [4], [5].

Semigroups with apartness were first defined and were studied by A. HEYTING. W. RUITENBURG studied semigroups with apartness in his dissertation (1982) [6]. After that the author of this paper has worked on this important topic in his

dissertation (1985) [3]. Semigroups with apartnesses were studied by A. S. TROELSTRA and D. VAN DALEN in their monograph (1988) [7]. In this paper we give a construction of cosubsemigroups (completely prime subsets) associated with idempotents of semigroup  $S$  and describe some properties of the family of so constructed cosubsemigroups.

We start with following proposition.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $e$  be an idempotent of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness. Then:*

- (1)  $A(e) = \{a \in S : ae \neq a\}$  is a strongly extensional right consistent subset of  $S$  such that  $e \# A(e)$ .
- (2)  $B(e) = \{b \in S : eb \neq b\}$  is a strongly extensional left consistent subset of  $S$  such that  $e \# B(e)$ .
- (3)  $X(e) = \{a \in S : e \# Sa\}$  is a strongly extensional left ideal of  $S$  such that  $e \# X(e)$ .
- (4)  $Y(e) = \{b \in S : e \# bS\}$  is a strongly extensional right ideal of  $S$  such that  $e \# Y(e)$ .
- (5)  $Z(e) = \{x \in S : e \# SxS\}$  is a strongly extensional ideal of  $S$  such that  $e \# Z(e)$ .

**Proof.**

(1) Let  $x$  and  $a$  be arbitrary elements of  $S$  such that  $xa \in A(e)$ . Then  $xae \neq xa$ , whence it follows  $a \in A(e)$ . So, the set  $A(e)$  is a right consistent subset of  $S$ . If  $a \in A(e)$ , then for every  $y \in S$  holds  $ae \neq a \Rightarrow ae \neq ye \vee ye \neq y \vee y \neq a$ . Hence  $y \in A(e) \vee y \neq a$  and  $A(e)$  is a strongly extensional right consistent subset of  $S$ . If we get  $a \in A(e)$ , we will have  $ae \neq a$ . Thus  $ae \neq e^2 \vee e \neq a$  and  $a \neq e$ .

(3) Assume  $a \in X(e)$ . Then  $e \# Sa$ . As we have  $Sxa \subseteq Sa$  for every  $x$  in  $S$ , we have  $e \# Sxa$ . Thus  $xa \in X(e)$  and the set  $X(e)$  is a left ideal of  $S$ . Let  $y$  be an arbitrary element of  $S$  and let  $a$  in  $X(e)$ . Then  $e \# Sa$ . Thus  $e \neq sa (s \in S)$ . From this it follows  $(\forall t \in T)(e \neq ty \vee ty \neq sa)$ . So,  $(\forall s \in T)(e \neq sy) \vee y \neq a$ . Therefore, the set  $X(e)$  is a strongly extensional subset of  $S$ . Further, if  $a \in X(e)$ , then  $e \# Sa$ . Thus  $e \neq a$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.1.**  $A(1) = \emptyset, B(1) = \emptyset$ .

**Corollary 1.2.**  $Z(e) \subseteq X(e) \cap Y(e)$ .

The next theorem is one of main results of this paper: we will give a construction of a strongly extensional completely prime subset  $M(e)$  of  $S$  (cosubsemigroup of  $S$ ) associated with an idempotent  $e \in E(S)$ , such that  $e \# M(e)$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $e$  be an idempotent of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness. Then the set  $M(e) = A(e) \cup B(e) \cup X(e) \cup Y(e)$  is a strongly extensional cosubsemigroup of  $S$  such that  $e \# M(e)$ .*

**Proof.** (1) Let  $ab \in M(e)$ . Then  $abe \neq ab \vee eab \neq ab \vee e\#Sab \vee e\#abS$ . If  $ab$  in  $A(e)$ , then  $b$  is in  $A(e) \subseteq M(e)$ , because  $A(e)$  is a right consistent subset of  $S$ . If  $ab$  in  $B(e)$ , then  $a$  is in  $\overline{B}(e) \subseteq M(e)$ , because  $B(e)$  is a left consistent subset of  $S$ . Assume that  $ab \in X(e)$ , i.e.  $(\forall u \in S)(uab \neq e)$ . Then we have the sequence

$$\begin{aligned} & (\forall x, y \in S)(xyab \neq e) \Rightarrow \\ & (\forall x, y \in S)(xyab \neq xeb \vee xeb \neq xb \vee xb \neq e) \Rightarrow \\ & (\forall x, y \in S)(ya \neq e \vee eb \neq b \vee xb \neq e) \Rightarrow \\ & (\forall x \in S)(xb \neq e) \vee eb \neq b \vee (\forall y \in S)(ya \neq e) \Rightarrow \\ & a \in Y(e) \subseteq M(e) \vee b \in X(e) \subseteq M(e) \vee b \in B(e) \subseteq M(e). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have the implication  $ab \in Y(e) \Rightarrow a \in M(e) \vee b \in M(e)$ . So,  $M(e)$  is a cosubsemigroup of  $S$  such that  $e\#M(e)$ .

(2) Let  $a$  be an arbitrary element of  $M(e) = A(e) \cup B(e) \cup X(e) \cup Y(e)$  and let  $b$  be an arbitrary element of  $S$ . Then  $a \in A(e)$  or  $a \in B(e)$  or  $a \in X(e)$  or  $a \in Y(e)$ . Then  $a \neq b \vee b \in M(e)$ , because sets  $A(e)$ ,  $B(e)$ ,  $X(e)$  and  $Y(e)$  are strongly extensional in  $S$ .  $\square$

In the next theorem and few following corollaries we will describe the family  $\{M(e) : e \in E(S)\}$ .

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $S$  be a semigroup with apartness and with at least two idempotents. Then*

$$(\forall e, f \in E(S))(e \neq f \Rightarrow M(e) \cup M(f) = S).$$

**Proof.** Let  $a$  be an arbitrary element of semigroup  $S$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & e \neq f \Rightarrow \\ & (\forall x, y \in S)(e \neq ax \vee ax \neq fax \vee fax \neq fe \vee fe \neq yae \vee yae \neq ya \vee ya \neq f) \Rightarrow \\ & (\forall x, y \in S)(e \neq ax \vee a \neq fa \vee ax \neq e \vee f \neq ya \vee ae \neq a \vee ya \neq f) \Rightarrow \\ & (\forall x \in S)(e \neq ax) \vee a \neq fa \vee (\forall y \in S)(f \neq ya) \vee ae \neq a \Rightarrow \\ & a \in Y(e) \vee a \in B(f) \vee a \in X(f) \vee a \in A(e) \Rightarrow a \in M(e) \vee a \in M(f). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $e$  be an idempotent of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness. Then  $G_e \subseteq \overline{M(e)}$  and  $\overline{M(e)}$  is a subsemigroup of  $S$ .*

**Proof.**

(i) We have that  $e \in \overline{M(e)}$  because  $e\#M(e)$ . Let  $a$  and  $b$  be elements of  $\overline{M(e)}$  and let  $u$  be an arbitrary element of  $M(e)$ . Then  $u \neq ab$  or  $ab \in M(e)$  by strongly extensionality of  $M(e)$  in  $S$ . As  $M(e)$  is a cosubsemigroup of  $S$  we have  $a \in M(e)$  or  $b \in M(e)$ . It is impossible. Hence  $u \neq ab$  for each  $u \in M(e)$ . So,  $ab\#M(e)$ . Therefore, the set  $\overline{M(e)}$  is a subsemigroup of  $S$  such that  $e \in \overline{M(e)}$ .

(ii) Let  $x$  be an arbitrary element of  $G_e$ . Then for an arbitrary element  $u$  of  $M(e)$  we have  $x \neq u$  or  $x \in M(e)$ . The second case is impossible. So,  $x\#M(e)$ . Thus  $G_e \subseteq \overline{M(e)}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $e$  be an idempotent of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness. Then the relation  $t(e)$  on  $S$ , defined by  $(a, b) \in t(e) \Leftrightarrow a \neq b \wedge (a \in M(e) \vee b \in M(e))$ , is a coequality relation on  $S$  such that*

$$(*) a \in M(e) \Rightarrow at(e) = \{x \in S : x \neq a\}, \quad a \in G_e \Rightarrow at(e) = M(e) (**).$$

**Proof.**

(1) Let  $(u, w)$  be an arbitrary element of  $t(e)$  and let  $a$  be an arbitrary element of  $S$ . Then  $u \neq w$  and  $u \in M(e) \vee w \in M(e)$ . Thus, the first, we have  $u \neq a \vee a \neq w$ , i.e. we have  $(u, w) \neq (a, a)$  what means that  $t(e)$  is a consistent relation. The second, let  $v$  be an arbitrary element of  $S$ . Then  $u \neq v \vee v \neq w$  and  $u \in M(e) \vee w \in M(e)$ . We have, for example,

$$\begin{aligned} u \neq v \wedge w \in M(e) &\Rightarrow u \neq v \wedge (w \in M(e) \wedge (w \neq v \vee v \in M(e))) \\ &\Rightarrow (u \neq v \wedge (w \in M(e) \wedge w \neq v)) \vee (u \neq v \wedge (w \in M(e) \\ &\quad \wedge v \in M(e))) \\ &\Rightarrow (v, w) \in t(e) \vee (u, v) \in t(e); \end{aligned}$$

In the case  $u \neq v \wedge u \in M(e)$  we have simply  $(u, v) \in t(e)$ . Analogously, we have the implications  $v \neq w \wedge u \in M(e) \Rightarrow (v, w) \in t(e) \vee (u, v) \in t(e)$  and  $v \neq w \wedge w \in M(e) \Rightarrow (v, w) \in t(e)$ .

So, the relation  $t(e)$  is cotransitive. It is clear that  $t(e)$  is a symmetric relation.

(2) The implication  $(*)$  is clear. For the proof of the implication  $(**)$  let we get  $a \in G_e$  and let  $b$  in  $at(e)$ . Then  $a \neq b \wedge b \in M(e)$  because  $G_e \cap M(e) = \emptyset$ . So,  $at(e) \subseteq M(e)$ . Beside that, for  $x \in M(e) \subseteq \overline{G_e}$  we have  $x \neq a$ . So,  $(a, x) \in t(e)$  and  $x \in at(e)$ . Therefore  $at(e) = M(e)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $e$  be an idempotent of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness. Then the relation  $t(e)^* = \{(x, y) \in S \times S : (\exists a, b \in S)(axb \neq ayb \wedge (axb \in M(e) \vee ayb \in M(e))) \in t(e)\}$  is a coequality relation on  $S$  compatible with the semigroup operation on  $S$ .*

**Proof.** See Corollary 1.7.2 in [5].  $\square$

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $e$  be an idempotent of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness such that the maximal sugroup  $G_e$  is detachable in  $S$ . Then the relation  $t(e)$  has the family of classes  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e)) = \{\{a \in S : a \neq x\} \mid x \in G_e\} \cup M(e)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x$  be an element of  $S$ . Then  $x \in G_e$  or  $x \notin G_e$ . Therefore, if  $x \in G_e$ , then, by Corollary 3.2., we have  $xt(e) = M(e)$ . Let  $x \notin G_e = \overline{M(e)}$ . Then  $x \in M(e)$  and  $xt(e) = \{a \in S : a \neq x\}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $e$  be an idempotent of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness such that the cosubsemigroup  $M(e)$  is a coideal of  $S$ . Then the relation  $t(e)$  is a cocongruence on  $S$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $(ax, by) \in t(e)$ , i.e. let  $ax \neq by$  and  $ax \in M(e) \vee by \in M(e)$ . Then  $a \neq b \vee x \neq y$  and  $(a \in M(e) \wedge x \in M(e)) \vee (b \in M(e) \wedge y \in M(e))$ . Therefore,  $(a, b) \in t(e)$  or  $(x, y) \in t(e)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $e$  and  $f$  be idempotents of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness. Then there exists a strongly extensional and embedding function  $\varphi : S \rightarrow \mathbf{V}(S, t(e)) \times \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  such that  $(\pi_e \cdot \varphi)(S) = \mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $(\pi_f \cdot \varphi)(S) = \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $a$  and  $b$  be elements of a semigroup  $S$  with idempotents  $e, f \in E(S) (\neq \{1\})$  such that  $a \neq b$ . Then from  $S = M(e) \cup M(f)$  we conclude that  $a \in M(e) \vee a \in M(f)$  and  $b \in M(e) \vee b \in M(f)$ . Therefore, there exist coequality relations  $t(e)$  and  $t(f)$  such that  $(a, b) \in t(e)$  or  $(a, b) \in t(f)$ . By Theorem 1.8. in [5], there exists a strongly extensional and embedding function  $\varphi : S \rightarrow \mathbf{V}(S, t(e)) \times \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  such that  $(\pi_e \cdot \varphi)(S) = \mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $(\pi_f \cdot \varphi)(S) = \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$ .  $\square$

Let  $S, K$  and  $Q$  be semigroups. Then  $S$  is a subdirect product of  $K$  and  $Q$  if there exists a strongly extensional and embedding homomorphisms  $\varphi : S \rightarrow K \times Q$  such that  $\pi_K \cdot \varphi(S) = K$  and  $\pi_Q \cdot \varphi(S) = Q$ .

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $e$  and  $f$  be idempotents of a semigroup  $S$  with apartness such that  $M(e)$  and  $M(f)$  are coideals of  $S$ . Then  $S$  is subdirect product of semigroups  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $M(e)$  and  $M(f)$  be coideals of semigroup  $S$ . Then, by Corollary 3.5 in this paper, the coequality relations  $t(e)$  and  $t(f)$  are cocongruences on  $S$  and, by Corollary 1.7.1. in [5], the sets  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  are semigroups. Thus, by Corollary 3.6 of this paper,  $S$  is a subdirect product of semigroups  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$ .  $\square$

**Note:** Let  $e$  and  $f$  be idempotents of a semigroup  $S$  such that  $M(e)$  and  $M(f)$  are coideals of  $S$ . Then  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  are semigroups and the sets  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e)) \times \{M(f)\}$  and  $\{M(e)\} \times \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  are ideals of  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e)) \times \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$ . Let  $\alpha : \mathbf{V}(S, t(e)) \times \{M(f)\} \rightarrow \mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $\beta : \{M(e)\} \times \mathbf{V}(S, t(f)) \rightarrow \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  be strongly extensional and embedding bijections. Then we have the functions  $E = \alpha^{-1} \cdot \pi_e \cdot \varphi : S \rightarrow \mathbf{V}(S, t(e)) \times \{M(f)\}$  and  $F = \beta^{-1} \cdot \pi_f \cdot \varphi : S \rightarrow \{M(e)\} \times \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  such that  $E(a) = (\pi_e \cdot \varphi(a), M(f))$  and  $F(a) = (M(e), \pi_f \cdot \varphi(a))$  (for every  $a$  in  $S$ ). Besides, the relation  $q_e = \{(a, b) \in S \times S : E(a) \neq E(b)\}$  and the relation  $q_f = \{(a, b) \in S \times S : F(a) \neq F(b)\}$  are coequality relations on  $S$ . As

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a, b) \in t(e) &\Leftrightarrow a \neq b \wedge (a \in M(e) \vee b \in M(e)) \\
 &\Rightarrow \varphi(a) \neq \varphi(b) \wedge at(e) = \{x \in S : a \neq x\}, b \in at(e) \\
 &\quad \wedge bt(e) = \{y \in S : b \neq y\}, a \in bt(e) \\
 &\Rightarrow \pi_e \cdot \varphi(a) = at(e) \neq bt(e) = \pi_e \cdot \varphi(b) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (\pi_e \cdot \varphi(a), M(f)) \neq (\pi_e \cdot \varphi(b), M(f)) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow E(a) \neq E(b) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in q_e.
 \end{aligned}$$

and similarly  $t(f) \subseteq q_f$ , we have, by Theorem 1.4 in [5], that the relations  $t(e)/q_e$  and  $t(f)/q_f$  are coequality relations on  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $\mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$  respectively. Beside this, by Corollary 1.6.1 in [5], there exist strongly extensional bijective and embedding functions  $\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{V}(S, q_e), t(e)/q_e) \rightarrow \mathbf{V}(S, t(e))$  and  $\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{V}(S, q_f), t(f)/q_f) \rightarrow \mathbf{V}(S, t(f))$ .

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