

CHARACTERIZATIONS OF REGULAR po -SEMIGROUPS

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ABSTRACT Lajos([1-3]) gave the ideal-theoretical characterizations of some classes of semigroups without “order”. The first author([4]) gave the ideal-theoretical characterization of some classes of po -semigroup with order “ \leq ”. In this paper we give the other characterizations.

1. Introduction

S. Lajos([1-3]) gave some characterizations of a regular semigroup without “order”. Recently S. K. Lee([4]) gave the characterizations of the regularity in a po -semigroup (:ordered semigroup) by a different criteria.

The aim of this paper is to obtain other characterizations of the regularity in a po -semigroup S .

Kehayopulu([5-9]) considered the ordered semigroups. A po -semigroup (:ordered semigroup) is an ordered set (S, \leq) at the same time a semigroup such that:

$$a \leq b \implies ca \leq cb \text{ and } ac \leq bc$$

for all $c \in S$.

The following definitions are well known.

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DEFINITION 1. Let A be a non-empty subset of a po -semigroup S . A is called a *left*(resp. *right*) *ideal* of S if

$$i) SA \subseteq A \text{ (resp. } AS \subseteq A).$$

$$ii) a \in A \text{ and } b \leq a \text{ for } b \in S \implies b \in A.$$

A is called an *ideal* of S if A is both a left and a right ideal of S .

DEFINITION 2. Let Q be a non-empty subset of a po -semigroup S . Q is called a *quasi-ideal* of S if

$$i) QS \cap SQ \subseteq Q$$

$$ii) a \in Q \text{ and } b \leq a \text{ for } b \in S \implies b \in Q.$$

Every left(resp. right) ideal is a quasi-ideal. Also every ideal is a quasi-ideal.

DEFINITIONS 3. Let B be a non-empty subset of a po -semigroup S . B is called a *bi-ideal* of S if

$$i) BSB \subseteq B$$

$$ii) a \in B \text{ and } b \leq a \text{ for } b \in S \implies b \in B.$$

Every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal.

DEFINITION 4. A subsemigroup T of a po -semigroup S is called *regular* if, for all $a \in T$ there exists $x \in T$ such that $a \leq axa$.

NOTATION. For a subset H of a po -semigroup S ,

$$(H) = \{t \in S : t \leq h \text{ for some } h \in H\}.$$

We denote by $L(a)$ (resp. $R(a), B(a), Q(a)$) the left(resp. right, bi-, quasi-) ideal generated by $a \in S$. And we denote by $I(a)$ the ideal of S generated by $a \in S$.

One can easily prove that

$$L(a) = (a \cup Sa], \quad R(a) = (a \cup aS], \quad B(a) = (a \cup aSa],$$

$$I(a) = (a \cup Sa \cup aS \cup SaS] \text{ and } Q(a) = (a \cup ((aS] \cap (Sa)]).$$

(cf. also [8]).

REMARK 1. Let T be a subsemigroup of S . Then T is regular if and only if $a \in (aTa]$ for all $a \in T$.

2. Main Results

LEMMA([7, 8], ALSO SEE [4]). *Let S be a po -semigroup. We have the following.*

- i) $A \subseteq (A]$ for any $A \subseteq S$.
- ii) If $A \subseteq B \subseteq S$, then $(A] \subseteq (B]$.
- iii) If A is some types of ideal, then $A = (A]$.
- iv) $(A](B] \subseteq (AB]$ for all A and $B \subseteq S$.

Recently S. K. Lee([4]) proved the following Theorem A.

THEOREM A. *A po -semigroup S is regular if and only if for every bi-ideal B , any three left ideals L_1, L_2, L and every ideal I of S , we have*

$$B \cap L_1 \cap L_2 \subseteq (BL_1L_2], \text{ equivalently, } B \cap I \cap L \subseteq (BIL].$$

Now we give new characterizations of regular *po*-semigroup S .

PROPOSITION 1. *Let S be a po -semigroup. Then the followings are true.*

- (1) *If S is regular, then for each bi-ideal, each ideal I and each subset X of S , we have $B \cap I \cap X \subseteq (BIX]$.*
- (2) *If $B \cap Q \subseteq (BSQ]$ for each bi-ideal B and each quasi-ideal Q of S , then S is regular.*

PROOF. (1) Let $a \in B \cap I \cap X$. Since S is regular, there exists $x \in S$ such that

$$a \leq axa \leq (axa)x(axa) = (axa)(xax)a \in (BSB)(SIS)X \subseteq BIX.$$

Thus $a \in (BIX]$, and so $B \cap I \cap X \subseteq (BIX]$.

(2) Let $a \in S$. We consider the bi-ideal $B(a)$ and the quasi-ideal $Q(a)$ of S generated by a , respectively. By hypothesis and Lemma, we

have

$$\begin{aligned}
 a \in B(a) \cap Q(a) &\subseteq (B(a)SQ(a)) = ((a \cup aSa]S(a \cup ((aS] \cap (Sa)])) \\
 &\subseteq ((a \cup aSa](S](a \cup (Sa)])) \subseteq ((a \cup aSa](S]((a \cup Sa)])) \\
 &= ((a \cup aSa](S](a \cup Sa)])) \subseteq \{(aSa \cup aS^2 \cup aSaSa \cup aSaS^2a]\} \\
 &\subseteq ((aSa]) = (aSa].
 \end{aligned}$$

Then S is regular.

COROLLARY 1. *A po-semigroup S is regular if and only if for each bi-ideal B , each ideal I and each quasi-ideal Q of S , we have $B \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (BIQ]$.*

PROPOSITION 2. *Let S be a po-semigroup. Then the followings are true.*

- (1) *If S is regular then, for each bi-ideal B , each ideal I and each subset X of S , $B \cap I \cap X \subseteq (XIB]$.*
- (2) *If $B \cap Q \subseteq (QSB]$ for each bi-ideal B and each quasi-ideal Q of S then, S is regular.*

PROOF. (1) Let $a \in B \cap I \cap X$. Since S is regular, there exists $x \in S$ such that

$$a \leq axa \leq (axa)x(axa) = a(xax)(axa) \in X(SIS)(BSB) \subseteq XIB.$$

Thus $a \in (XIB]$, and so $X \cap I \cap B \subseteq (XIB]$.

(2) Let $a \in S$. We consider the bi-ideal $B(a)$ and the quasi-ideal $Q(a)$ of S generated by a , respectively. By hypothesis and Lemma, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 a \in B(a) \cap Q(a) &\subseteq (Q(a)SB(a)) = ((a \cup ((aS] \cap (Sa)]))S(a \cup aSa]) \\
 &\subseteq ((a \cup (aS)](S](a \cup aSa])) \subseteq (((a \cup aS)](S](a \cup aSa])) \\
 &= ((a \cup aS](S](a \cup aSa])) \subseteq ((aSa \cup aSaSa \cup aS^2a \cup aS^2aSa]) \\
 &\subseteq ((aSa]) = (aSa].
 \end{aligned}$$

Then S is regular.

COROLLARY 2. A *po*-semigroup S is regular if and only if for each quasi-ideal Q , each ideal I and each bi-ideal B of S , we have $B \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (QIB]$.

PROPOSITION 3. Let S be a *po*-semigroup. Then the followings are true.

- (1) If S is regular then, for each subset X , each ideal I and each left ideal L of S , $X \cap I \cap L \subseteq (XIL]$.
- (2) If $B \cap L \subseteq (BSL]$ for each bi-ideal B and each left ideal L of S then, S is regular.

PROOF. (1) Since every left ideal is a bi-ideal, we can obtain $X \cap I \cap L \subseteq (XIL]$ from (1) of Proposition 2.

(2) Let $a \in S$. We consider the bi-ideal $B(a)$ and the left ideal $L(a)$ of S generated by a , respectively. By hypothesis and Lemma, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a \in B(a) \cap L(a) &\subseteq (Q(a)SL(a)) = ((a \cup ((aS] \cap (Sa]))S(a \cup Sa)) \\ &\subseteq ((a \cup (aS)](S](a \cup Sa)) \subseteq (((a \cup aS)](S](a \cup Sa)) \\ &= ((a \cup aS](S](a \cup Sa)) \subseteq ((aSa \cup aS^2a \cup aS^3a)) \\ &\subseteq ((aSa]) = (aSa]. \end{aligned}$$

Then S is regular.

COROLLARY 3 (THEOREM A). A *po*-semigroup S is regular if and only if for each bi-ideal B , each ideal I and each left ideal L of S , we have $B \cap I \cap L \subseteq (BIL]$.

PROPOSITION 4. Let S be a *po*-semigroup. Then the following are true.

- (1) If S is regular then, for each right ideal R , each ideal I and each subset X of S , we have $R \cap I \cap X \subseteq (RIX]$.
- (2) If $R \cap B \subseteq (RSB]$ for each bi-ideal B and each right ideal R of S then, S is regular.

PROOF. (1) Since every right ideal is a bi-ideal, we can obtain $R \cap I \cap X \subseteq (RIX]$ from (1) of Proposition 1.

(2) Let $a \in S$. We consider the the right ideal $R(a)$ and the bi-ideal $B(a)$ of S generated by a , respectively. By hypothesis and Lemma, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a \in R(a) \cap B(a) &\subseteq (R(a)SB(a)] = ((a \cup aS]S(a \cup aSa)] \\ &\subseteq ((a \cup aS](S)(a \cup aSa)] = ((aSa \cup aSaSa \cup aS^2a \cup aS^2aSa)] \\ &\subseteq ((aSa)] = (aSa]. \end{aligned}$$

Then S is regular.

COROLLARY 4. *A po-semigroup S is regular if and only if each right ideal R , each ideal I and each bi-ideal B of S , we have $R \cap I \cap B \subseteq (RIB]$.*

REMARK 2. If we change the bi-ideal to a quasi-ideal and change the quasi-ideal to a bi-ideal in Proposition 3, 4 and Corollary 3, 4, then we have the similar results.

PROPOSITION 5. *Let S be a po-semigroup. Then the followings are true.*

- (1) *If S is regular then, for each right ideal R , each subset X and each ideal I of S , we have $R \cap X \cap L \subseteq (RXL]$.*
- (2) *If $R \cap L \subseteq (RSL]$ for each right ideal B and each left ideal R of S then, S is regular.*

PROOF. (1) Let $a \in R \cap X \cap L$. Since S is regular, there exists $x \in S$ such that

$$a \leq axa \leq (axa)x(axa) = (axax)a(xa) \in (RSRS)X(SL) \subseteq RXL.$$

Thus $a \in (RXL]$, and so $R \cap I \cap X \subseteq (RXL]$.

(2) Let $a \in S$. We consider the the right ideal $R(a)$ and the left ideal $L(a)$ of S generated by a , respectively. By hypothesis and Lemma, we

have

$$\begin{aligned} a \in R(a) \cap L(a) &\subseteq (R(a)SL(a)) = ((a \cup aS]S(a \cup Sa]) \\ &\subseteq ((a \cup aS](S](a \cup Sa]) = ((aSa \cup aS^2a \cup aS^2a \cup aS^3a]) \\ &\subseteq ((aSa]) = (aSa). \end{aligned}$$

Then S is regular.

COROLLARY 5. *A po-semigroup S is regular if and only if each right ideal R , each subset X and each left ideal L of S , we have $R \cap X \cap L \subseteq (RXL)$.*

Hence we have characterizations of the regularity of *po*-semigroup from Corollary 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and Remark 2.

THEOREM. *Let S be a po-semigroup. Then the followings are equivalent.*

- (1) S is regular.
- (2) $B \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (BIQ]$ for each bi-ideal B , each ideal I and each quasi-ideal Q of S
- (3) $B \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (QIB]$ for each quasi-ideal Q , each ideal I and each bi-ideal B of S .
- (4) $B \cap I \cap L \subseteq (BIL]$ for each bi-ideal B , each ideal I and each left ideal L of S .
- (5) $Q \cap I \cap L \subseteq (QIL]$ for each quasi-ideal Q , each ideal I and each left ideal L of S .
- (6) $R \cap I \cap B \subseteq (RIB]$ for each right ideal R , each ideal I and each bi-ideal B of S .
- (7) $R \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (RIQ]$ for each right ideal R , each ideal I and each quasi-ideal B of S .
- (8) $R \cap X \cap L \subseteq (RXL]$ for each right ideal R , each subset X and each left ideal L .

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