

## ON THE LATTICE OF CONGRUENCES ON INVERSE SEMIRINGS

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### Abstract

Let  $S$  be a semiring whose additive reduct  $(S, +)$  is an inverse semigroup. The relations  $\theta$  and  $k$ , induced by  $\text{tr}$  and  $\text{ker}$  (*resp.*), are congruences on the lattice  $\mathcal{C}(S)$  of all congruences on  $S$ . For  $\rho \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ , we have introduced four congruences  $\rho_{\min}$ ,  $\rho_{\max}$ ,  $\rho^{\min}$  and  $\rho^{\max}$  on  $S$  and showed that  $\rho\theta = [\rho_{\min}, \rho_{\max}]$  and  $\rho\kappa = [\rho^{\min}, \rho^{\max}]$ . Different properties of  $\rho\theta$  and  $\rho\kappa$  have been considered here. A congruence  $\rho$  on  $S$  is a Clifford congruence if and only if  $\rho_{\max}$  is a distributive lattice congruence and  $\rho^{\max}$  is a skew-ring congruence on  $S$ . If  $\eta$  ( $\sigma$ ) is the least distributive lattice (*resp.* skew-ring) congruence on  $S$  then  $\eta \cap \sigma$  is the least Clifford congruence on  $S$ .

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