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# ON $B^*$ -PURE ORDERED SEMIGROUP

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### Abstract

We introduce the concept of  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroups, and give some properties of  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroups.

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# 1. Introduction

A bi-ideal A of a semigroup S is said to be B-pure if  $A \cap xS = xA$  and  $A \cap Sx = Ax$  for all  $x \in S$ . A semigroup S is said to be  $B^*$ -pure if every bi-ideal of S is B-pure. The concept  $B^*$ -pure semigroups was studied by Kuroki [3]. In this paper, the concept of  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroups is introduced. We shall give some properties of  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroups, and characterize  $B^*$ -pure Archimedean ordered semigroups. We prove that any  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroup is a semilattices of Archimedean semigroups. Let us recall some certain definitions and results used throughout the paper. A semigroup  $(S,\cdot)$  together with a partial order  $\leq$  that is compatible with the semigroup operation, meaning that, for any x,y,z in S,

$$x \le y$$
 implies  $zx \le zy$  and  $xz \le yz$ 

is called a partially ordered semigroup (or simply an ordered semigroup) (see [2]). Under the trivial relation,  $x \leq y$  if and only if x = y, it is observed that every semigroup is an ordered semigroup. Let  $(S, \cdot, \leq)$  be an ordered semigroup. For A, B nonempty subsets of S, we write AB for the set of all elements xy in S where  $x \in A$  and  $y \in B$ , and write (A] for the set of all elements x in S such that  $x \leq a$  for some a in A, i.e.,

$$(A] = \{x \in S \mid x \le a \text{ for some } a \in A\}.$$

In particular, we write Ax for  $A\{x\}$ , and xA for  $\{x\}A$ . It was shown in [10] that the followings hold:

- (1)  $A \subseteq (A]$  and ((A)] = (A];
- (2)  $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow (A] \subseteq (B]$ ;
- (3) ((A|(B)] = ((A|B) = (A(B)] = (AB);
- (4)  $(A](B] \subseteq (AB];$
- (5)  $(A]B \subseteq (AB]$  and  $A(B] \subseteq (AB]$ ;
- (6)  $(A \cup B] = (A] \cup (B]$ .

The concepts of left, right and two-sided ideals of an ordered semigroup can be found in [2]. Let  $(S, \cdot, \leq)$  be an ordered semigroup. A nonempty subset A of S is called a *left* (resp., *right*) *ideal* of S if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $SA \subseteq A$  (resp.,  $AS \subseteq A$ );
- (ii) A = (A], that is, for any x in A and y in S,  $y \le x$  implies  $y \in A$ .

If A is both a left and a right ideal of S, then A is called a *two-sided ideal*, or simply an *ideal* of S. It is known that the union or intersection of two ideals of S is an ideal of S.

Let  $(S, \cdot, \leq)$  be an ordered semigroup. A left ideal A of S is said to be proper if  $A \subset S$ . The symbol  $\subset$  stands for proper subset of sets. A proper right and two-sided ideals are defined similarly. S is said to be left (resp., right) simple if S does not contain proper left (resp., right) ideals. If S does not contain proper ideals then we call S simple. A proper ideal S of S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S of S, if S if S does not contain proper any ideal S of S, if S does not contain proper any ideal S of S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S of S, if S does not contain proper any ideal S of S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S of S, if S does not contain proper any ideal S of S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S of S, if S does not contain proper ideal S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S of S, if S does not contain proper ideal S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S is said to be maximal if for any ideal S is said to be maximal if S is said to be maximal if S is said to be maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S in the maximal ideal S ideal S is said to be maximal ideal S ideal

For any element a of an ordered semigroup  $(S, \cdot, \leq)$ , the *principal ideal generated* by a is of the form  $I(a) = (a \cup Sa \cup aS \cup SaS)$ .

A nonempty subset B is called a *bi-ideal* of S if

- (i)  $BSB \subseteq B$ ;
- (ii) for any x in B and y in S,  $y \le x$  implies  $y \in B$  (see [5]).

For any element a of an ordered semigroup  $(S, \cdot, \leq)$  the bi-ideal generated by a is of the form  $B(a) = (\{a\} \cup aSa]$ .

An equivalence relation  $\sigma$  on S is called *congruence* if  $(a,b) \in \sigma$  implies  $(ac,bc) \in \sigma$  and  $(ca,cb) \in \sigma$  for every  $c \in S$ . A congruence  $\sigma$  on S is called *semilattice congruence* if  $(a^2,a) \in \sigma$  and  $(ab,ba) \in \sigma$  for every  $a,b \in S$ . A semilattice congruence  $\sigma$  on S is called *complete* if  $a \leq b$  implies  $(a,ab) \in \sigma$ . An ordered semigroup S is called a *semilattice of Archimedean semigroups* (resp., complete semilattice of Archimedean semigroups) if there exists a semilattice congruence

(resp., complete semilattice congruence)  $\sigma$  on S such that the  $\sigma$ -class  $(x)_{\sigma}$  of S containing x is a Archimedean subsemigroup of S for every  $x \in S$ .

A subsemigroup F is called a *filter* of S if

- (i)  $a, b \in S$ ,  $ab \in F$  implies  $a \in F$  and  $b \in F$ ;
- (ii) if  $a \in F$  and b in S,  $a \le b$ , then  $b \in F$  (see [6]).

For an element x of S, we denote by N(x) the filter of S generated by x and  $\mathcal{N}$  the equivalence relation on S defined by  $\mathcal{N} := \{(x,y) \mid N(x) = N(y)\}$ . The relation  $\mathcal{N}$  is the least complete semilattice congruence on S. An element e of an ordered semigroup  $(S,\cdot,\leq)$  is called an ordered idempotent if  $e \leq e^2$ . We call an ordered semigroup S idempotent ordered semigroup if every element of S is an ordered idempotent (see [1]). The set of all ordered idempotent of an ordered semigroup S denoted by E(S) and the set of all positive integers denoted by N.

An ordered semigroup  $(S,\cdot,\leq)$  is called Archimedean if for any a,b in S there exists a positive integer n such that  $a^n \in (SbS]$  (see [8]). An ordered semigroup S is called regular if for every  $a \in S$ , there exists  $x \in S$  such that  $a \leq axa$ . Equivalent definitions are as follows: (1)  $A \subseteq (ASA]$  for any  $A \subseteq S$  or (2)  $a \in (aSa]$  for any  $a \in S$  (see [7]). An ordered semigroup S is said to be normal if (xS] = (Sx] for all  $x \in S$ . An ordered semigroup S is said to be normal normal if no

**Definition.** Let  $(S, \cdot, \leq)$  be an ordered semigroup. A bi-ideal A of S is said to be B-pure if  $A \cap (xS] = (xA]$  and  $A \cap (Sx] = (Ax]$  for all  $x \in S$ . An ordered semigroup S is said to be  $B^*$ -pure if every bi-ideal of S is B-pure.

**Example 1.** Let  $S = \{a,b\}$ , xy = b for all  $x,y \in S$ ,  $\leq = \{(a,a),(b,b),(a,b)\}$ . It is clear that S is an ordered semigroup. We show that S is  $B^*$ -pure. We determine all bi-ideals in S. We have two candidates:  $\{a\}$  and S. Of course, S is a bi-ideal, but  $\{a\}$  is not a bi-ideal, because  $\{a\}S\{a\} = \{b\}$ . So there exists only one bi-ideal in S, namely S. Bi-deal S is S-pure, because  $S \cap (Sx] = (Sx]$  and  $S \cap (xS] = (xS]$  for all  $x \in S$ .

## 2. Main results

First, we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.** Any normal ordered semigroups are weakly commutative.

**Proof.** Let S be a normal ordered semigroup and  $a, b \in S$ . We have

$$(ab)^3 = ababab \in (SbSaS] \subseteq ((Sb]S(aS]] \subseteq ((bS]S(Sa]] \subseteq (bSa].$$

Hence S is weakly commutative.

**Lemma 3.** Let S be a  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroup. Then S has the following properties:

- (1)  $(aS] = (a^2S]$  and  $(Sa] = (Sa^2]$  for all  $a \in S$ ;
- (2) S is normal;
- (3) S is weakly commutative;
- (4) for each  $x \in S$ ,  $N(x) = \{y \in S \mid x^n \in (ySy] \text{ for some } n \in N\};$
- (5)  $a^2$  is regular for all  $a \in S$ .

**Proof.** (1) Let  $a \in S$ . Since S is  $B^*$ -pure, the bi-ideal (aS] is B-pure. Thus  $(aS] = (aS] \cap (aS] = (a(aS)] \subseteq (a^2S]$ . The converse is obvious. Hence  $(aS) = (a^2S)$ . Similarly, we have  $(Sa) = (Sa^2)$ .

(2) Let  $a \in S$ . By (1), we have

$$(aS] = (a^2S] \subseteq (SaS] \subseteq ((Sa]S] = (Sa] \cap (SS] \subseteq (Sa].$$

Similarly, we have  $(Sa] \subseteq (aS]$ . It follows that (aS] = (Sa]. Hence S is normal.

- (3) This follows by (2) and Lemma 2.
- (4) This follows by (3) and lemma in [4].
- (5) Let a be any element of S. By (1) and (2) we have

$$a^2 \in (aS] = (a^2S] = (a^4S] \subseteq (a^2(a^2S]] = (a^2(Sa^2]] \subseteq (a^2Sa^2].$$

Thus  $a^2$  is regular.

The following Corollary 4 can be obtained from Lemma 2 and theorem in [4].

**Corollary 4.** Any normal ordered semigroups are semilattices of Archimedean semigroups.

The following Theorem 5 can be obtained from Lemma 3 and theorem in [4].

**Theorem 5.** Any  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroups are semilattices of Archimedean semigroups.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $(S, \cdot, \leq)$  be an ordered semigroup such that  $(aS] = (a^2S]$  and  $(Sa] = (Sa^2]$  for all a in S. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) (Se] = (eS] for all e in E(S);
- (2) S is normal;
- (3) S is weakly commutative;

(4) for each  $x \in S$ ,  $N(x) = \{y \in S \mid x^n \in (ySy) \text{ for some } n \in N\}$ .

**Proof.** By Lemma 2, (2) implies (3). We have that (3) and (4) are equivalent by lemma in [4].

 $(1)\Rightarrow(2)$ . Let  $a\in S$ . We have  $a^2\in(aS]=(a^2S]=(a^4S]$  and  $a^2\in(Sa]=(Sa^2]=(Sa^4]$ . Thus  $a^2\leq a^4x$  and  $a^2\leq ya^4$  for some x,y in S. This implies that  $a^4\leq a^4xya^4$ . Hence  $xya^4\in E(S)$ . Let  $b\in(aS]=(a^2S]=(a^4S]$ . Then  $b\leq a^4z$  for some z in S. We have

$$b \leq a^4 z \leq a^4 xya^4 z \in (a^4 xya^4 S] \subseteq (a^4 (xya^4 S]]$$

$$= (a^4 (Sxya^4]]$$

$$\subseteq (a^4 Sxya^4]$$

$$\subseteq (Sa^4]$$

$$\subseteq (Sa].$$

Similarly, we have  $(Sa] \subseteq (aS]$ . Hence S is normal.

 $(3)\Rightarrow(1)$ . Let  $e\in E(S)$  and  $x\in (eS]$ . Then  $x\leq ea$  for some  $a\in S$ . Since S is weakly commutative, then there exists a positive integer n such that  $(ea)^n\in (aSe]$ . It follows that

$$x \le ea \le eea \in (Sea] \subseteq (S(ea)^n] \subseteq (S(aSe)] \subseteq (SaSe) \subseteq (SSSe) \subseteq (Se).$$

Similarly, we have  $(Se] \subseteq (eS]$ . Hence (Se] = (eS]. This complete the proof.

Now we have shown that if an ordered semigroup S is  $B^*$ -pure, then the converse of Lemma 2 holds.

The following Theorem 7 can be obtained from Lemma 3 and Theorem 6.

**Theorem 7.** For a  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroup S. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) (Se] = (eS] for all e in E(S);
- (2) S is normal;
- (3) S is weakly commutative;
- (4) for each  $x \in S$ ,  $N(x) = \{y \in S \mid x^n \in (ySy) \text{ for some } n \in N\}$ .

**Theorem 8.** For a  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroup S. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) every ideal of S is globally idempotent;
- (2) every ideal of S is complete.

**Proof.** By Theorem 2.3 in [9], (1) implies (2).

 $(2)\Rightarrow(1)$ . Let A be any ideal of S and  $b\in A$ . Since A is complete, A=(AS]. We have  $b\in(aS]$  for some  $a\in A$ . Since S is  $B^*$ -pure and every ideal is a bi-ideal,  $A\cap(aS]=(aA]$ . We have

$$b \in A \cap (aS] = (aA] \subseteq (A^2].$$

Thus  $A \subseteq (A^2]$ . As is easily seen,  $(A^2] \subseteq A$ . Hence  $A = (A^2]$ .

**Theorem 9.** For an idempotent ordered semigroup S. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) S is  $B^*$ -pure;
- (2) S is normal and  $(Sa] = (Sa^2]$  for all  $a \in S$ .

**Proof.** By Lemma 3, (1) implies (2).

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Let A be any bi-ideal of  $S, x \in S$ . Let  $a \in A \cap (Sx] = A \cap (Sx^2]$ . Then  $a \leq yx^2$  for some  $y \in S$ . Since  $ay \in (aS] = (Sa] = (Sa^2]$ ,  $ay \leq za^2$  for some  $z \in S$ . We have

$$a \le a^2 \le ayx^2 \le za^2x^2 \in (SaaSx]$$

$$\subseteq ((Sa](aS]x]$$

$$= ((aS](Sa]x]$$

$$\subseteq (aSSax]$$

$$\subseteq (ASSAx]$$

$$\subseteq (Ax].$$

Thus  $A \cap (Sx) \subseteq (Ax)$ . Let  $b \in (Ax)$ . Then  $b \le ax$  for some a in A. We have

$$b \le ax \in (aS] = (Sa] = (Sa^2] \subseteq (aSa] \subseteq (ASA] \subseteq A,$$

and so  $(Ax] \subseteq A$ . Since  $(Ax] \subseteq (Sx]$ , then  $(Ax] \subseteq A \cap (Sx]$ . Thus  $A \cap (Sx] = (Ax]$ . Similarly, we have  $A \cap (xS] = (xA]$ . Hence A is B-pure.

**Theorem 10.** Any normal regular ordered semigroups are  $B^*$ -pure.

**Proof.** Let S be a normal regular ordered semigroup, A be a bi-deal of S and  $x \in S$ . Let  $b \in (xA]$ . Then  $b \leq xa$  for some a in A. Since S is regular, then  $a \leq aya$  for some y in S. We have

$$b \le xa \le xaya \in (SaSa] \subseteq ((Sa]Sa] = ((aS]Sa]$$
$$\subseteq (aSSa]$$
$$\subseteq (aSa]$$
$$\subseteq (ASA] \subseteq A.$$

Thus  $(xA] \subseteq A$ . Since  $(xA] \subseteq (xS]$ , then  $(xA] \subseteq A \cap (xS]$ . Let  $a \in A \cap (xS]$ . Then  $a \leq xb$  for some b in S. Since S is regular, then  $a \leq aya$  for some y in S. We have

$$a \leq aya \leq ayaya \leq xbyaya = x(by)aya \in (xSaya]$$

$$\subseteq (x(Sa]ya]$$

$$\subseteq (x(aS]SA]$$

$$\subseteq (xaSSA]$$

$$\subseteq (xASSA]$$

$$\subseteq (xASSA]$$

Thus  $A \cap (xS] = (xA]$ . Similarly, we have  $A \cap (Sx] = (Ax]$ . Hence A is a B-pure.

The following Corollary 11 can be obtained from Lemma 3 and Theorem 10.

Corollary 11. For a regular ordered semigroup S. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) S is  $B^*$ -pure;
- (2) S is normal.

**Theorem 12.** For a  $B^*$ -pure ordered semigroup S. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) S is Archimedean;
- (2) (SaS] = (SbS) for all  $a, b \in S$ ;
- (3) (aS] = (bS) for all  $a, b \in S$ ;
- (4) (aSa] = (bSb] for all  $a, b \in S$ ;
- (5) for any  $e, f \in E(S)$ ,  $(e, f) \in \mathcal{N}$ ;
- (6) every bi-ideal of S is Archimedean.

**Proof.** It is clear that (6) implies (1).

 $(1)\Rightarrow(2)$ . Let  $a,b\in S$ . Since S is Archimedean, then there exists positive integer n such that  $a^n\in(SbS]$ . By Lemma 3, we have

$$(SaS] \subset (Sa^nS] \subset (S(SbS)S] \subset (SSbSS] \subset (SbS).$$

Similarly, we have  $(SbS] \subseteq (SaS]$ . Hence (SaS] = (SbS]. It follows from Lemma 3 (1) and (3) that (2) implies (3) and (3) implies (4).

- $(4)\Rightarrow(5)$ . Let  $e,f\in E(S)$ . Then (eSe]=(fSf]. This implies that N(e)=N(f). Hence  $(e,f)\in\mathcal{N}$ .
- $(5)\Rightarrow (6)$ . Let A be a bi-deal of S and  $a,b\in A$ . Since S is  $B^*$ -pure,  $a^2$  and  $b^2$  are regular by Lemma 3. Then  $a^2\leq a^2xa^2$  and  $b^2\leq b^2yb^2$  for some  $x,y\in S$ . This implies that  $a^2x,b^2y\in E(S)$ . We have  $b^2y\in N(a^2x)$ . Then  $(a^2x)^n\in (b^2ySb^2y]$  for some positive integer n. Thus  $(a^2x)^n\leq b^2yzb^2y$  for some  $z\in S$ . We have

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a^{3} \leq aa^{2}xa^{2} \leq aa^{2}xa^{2}xa^{2} = a(a^{2}x)a^{2}xa^{2}
\leq a(a^{2}x)^{n}a^{2}
\leq a(b^{2}yzb^{2}y)a^{2}
= ab(b(yzb^{2}ya)a)
\in (Ab(ASA)]
\subseteq (AbA].
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Hence A is Archimedean. This completes the proof of the theorem.

**Theorem 13.** Any  $B^*$ -pure Archimedean regular ordered semigroup S does not contain proper bi-ideals.

**Proof.** Let A be any bi-ideal of S. Let  $a \in A$  and  $b \in S$ . Since S is Archimedean, then there exists positive integer n such that  $b^n \in (SaS]$ . Since S is  $B^*$ -pure, (aSa] is B-pure. Then by the regularity of S and Lemma 3, we have

$$b \in (bSb] \subseteq (b^nSb^n] \subseteq ((SaS]S(SaS)]$$

$$\subseteq (SaSSSaS]$$

$$\subseteq (SaSSS(Sa)]$$

$$\subseteq (SaSSSSa]$$

$$\subseteq (SaSSSSa]$$

$$\subseteq (S(aSa)]$$

$$= (SS] \cap (aSa)$$

$$\subseteq (ASA]$$

$$\subseteq A.$$

Thus  $S \subseteq A$ . Hence S = A.

The following Theorem 14 can be obtained from Theorem 13.

**Theorem 14.** Any  $B^*$ -pure Archimedean regular ordered semigroups are left and right simple.

**Theorem 15.** For a  $B^*$ -pure Archimedean ordered semigroup S. The following statements are equivalent:

- (1) S is regular;
- (2) S does not contain proper bi-ideals;
- (3) S are left and right simple.

**Proof.** By Theorem 13, (1) implies (2). It is clear that (2) implies (3).

 $(3)\Rightarrow(1)$ . Let  $a\in S$ . As is easily seen, (Sa] is a left ideal and (aS] is a right ideal. Since S are left and right simple, then S=(Sa] and S=(aS]. We have  $a\in(aS]=(a(Sa)]\subseteq(aSa]$ . This completes the proof of the theorem.

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