## Some remarks on ordered \*-groupoids

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A non-empty set G with a partial product, a unary operation \* and a partial order  $\leq$  is called an *ordered* \*-groupoid if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (A1) a(bc) exists if and only if (ab)c exists, in which case they are equal.
- (A2) a(bc) exists if and only if ab and bc exist.
- (A3)  $(a^*)^* = a$ .
- (A4) If ab exists, then  $b^*a^*$  exists and  $(ab)^* = b^*a^*$ .
- (A5) For any  $a \in G$ ,  $a^*a$  exists and  $a^*a$  is the unique projection of G such that there exists  $a(a^*a)$  and  $a(a^*a) = a$ . We denote  $a^*a$  by d(a).
- (A6)  $a \leq b$  implies  $a^* \leq b^*$ .
- (A7) For  $a, b, c, d \in G$ , if  $a \leq b, c \leq d$  and there exist ac and bd, then  $ac \leq bd$ .
- (A8) Let  $a \in G$  and  $e (= e^2 = e^*)$  a projection such that  $e \leq d(a)$ . Then there exists a unique element (a|e), say, such that  $(a|e) \leq a$  and d(a|e) = e.
- (A9) E(G) is an order ideal.

**Lemma 1.** [3] Let G be an ordered \*-groupoid.

- (1) For any  $a \in G$ ,  $aa^*$  exists and  $aa^*$  is the unique element of P(G), the set of all projections of G, such that there exists  $(aa^*)a$  and  $(aa^*)a = a$ . We denote  $aa^*$  by r(a).
- (2) Let  $a \in G$  and  $e \in P(G)$  such that  $e \leq r(a)$ . Then there exists a unique element (e|a), say, such that  $(e|a) \leq a$  and r(e|a) = e.

An ordered  $\ast$ -groupoid G is called a *locally inductive*  $\ast$ -groupoid if it satisfies

(LG) For any  $e, f \in P(G)$ , the set of projections of G, there exists the maximum element in  $\langle e, f \rangle = \{(g, h) \in P(G) \times P(G) : g \leq e, h \leq f \text{ and } \exists gh\}.$ 

A regular \*-semigroup S is called a locally inverse \*-semigroup if eSe is an inverse subsemigroup of S for any projection e in S. Let S be a locally inverse \*-semigroup. The representation in [4] raise us a new partial product  $\cdot$  on S, which is called a *restricted product*, as follows:

$$a \cdot b = \begin{cases} ab & ab \in R_a \cap L_b \\ \text{undefined} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $R_a$  and  $L_a$  denote the  $\mathcal{R}$ -class and the  $\mathcal{L}$ -class containing a, respectively.

**Lemma 2.** [3] Let S be a locally inverse \*-semigroup with the natural order  $\leq$ . Then  $S(\cdot, *, \leq)$  is a locally inductive \*-groupoid, which is denoted by  $\mathbf{G}(S)$ .

Conversely, let  $G(\circ, *, \leq)$  be a locally inductive \*-groupoid. For any  $a, b \in G$ , there exists the maximum element (e, f) in  $\langle d(a), r(b) \rangle = \{(g, h) \in P(S) \times P(S) : g \leq d(a), h \leq r(b), \exists g \circ h\}$ . We define a new product  $\otimes$  on G as follows:

$$a \otimes b = (a|e) \circ (f|b),$$

and we call it a *pseudoproduct* of a and b.

**Lemma 3.** [3] Let  $G(\circ, *, \leq)$  be a locally inductive \*-groupoid. The  $G(\otimes, *)$  is a locally inverse \*-semigroup, which is denoted by S(G).

**Lemma 4.** [3] (1) For a locally inverse \*-semigroup S, we have S(G(S)) = S.

(2) For a locally inductive \*-groupoid  $G(\circ, *, \leq)$ , we have  $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{G}(\circ, *, \leq)) = G(\circ, *, \leq)$ .

Let S and T be regular \*-semigroups. A mapping  $\phi : S \to T$  is called a *prehomomorphism* if it satisfies that  $(ab)\phi \leq (a\phi)(b\phi)$  and  $(a\phi)^* = a^*\phi$  for all  $a, b \in S$ .

**Lemma 5.** [2] Let S and T be locally inverse \*-semigroups and  $\phi: S \to T$  a mapping.

- (1)  $\phi$  is a prehomomorphism if and only if it preserves the restricted product and the natural order.
- (2)  $\phi$  is a homomorphism if and only if it is a prehomomorphism which satisfies  $(ef)\phi = (e\phi)(f\phi)$  for all  $e, f \in E(S)$ .
- (3) The product of prehomomorphisms between locally inverse \*-semigroups is also a prehomomorphism.

A functor between two ordered \*-groupoids is said to be *ordered* if it is order-preserving. An ordered functor between two locally inductive \*-groupoids is said to be *inductive* if it preserves the pseudoproduct.

Now, we have the main result.

**Theorem 6.** (Compare with Theorem 4.1.8 [5]) The category of locally inverse \*-semigroups and prehomomorphisms is isomorphic to the category of locally inductive \*-groupoids and ordered functors. Moreover, the category of locally inverse \*-semigroups and homomorphisms is isomorphic to the category of locally inductive \*-groupoids and inductive functors. *Proof.* Let **G** be a function of the category of locally inverse \*-semigroups and prehomomorphisms to the category of locally inductive \*-groupoids and ordered functors as follows: for any locally inverse \*-semigroups S, T and any prehomomorphism  $\theta : S \to T$ ,

(1) 
$$\mathbf{G}(S) = S(\cdot, *, \leq),$$

(2)  $\mathbf{G}(\theta) : \mathbf{G}(S) \to \mathbf{G}(T) \ (s \mapsto \theta(s)).$ 

Then it follows from Lemma 2 and Lemma 5 (1) that G is a functor.

Conversely, define a function S from the category of locally inductive \*-groupoids and ordered functors to the category of locally inverse \*-semigroups and prehomomorphisms as follws: for any locally inductive \*-groupoids G, H and any ordered functor  $\theta: G \to H$ ,

(1) 
$$\mathbf{S}(G) = G(\otimes, *),$$

(2)  $\mathbf{S}(\theta) : \mathbf{S}(G) \to \mathbf{S}(H) \ (g \mapsto \theta(g)).$ 

By Lemma 3 and Lemma 5 (1), **S** is a functor. Moreover, it follows from Lemma 4 that  $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{S}(G)) = G$  and  $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{G}(S)) = S$ . Thus we have that the category of locally inverse \*-semigroups and prehomomorphisms is isomorphic to the category of locally inductive \*-groupoids and ordered functors.

By Lemma 5 (2), we can easily obtain the second statement.

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