

GENERALIZATIONS OF SCHEIN THEOREM *

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In the paper [], B.M. Schein proved that any finite cyclic subsemigroup of the full transformation semigroup $\mathcal{T}(X)$ on a finite set X is covered by an inverse subsemigroup of $\mathcal{T}(X)$. In this paper, we study a generalization of Schein theorem.

1 Schein theorem

Let X be a finite set and \mathcal{T}_X the full transformation semigroup on X with composition being from the right to the left.

For any $a \in \mathcal{T}_X$, We say that $a(X)$ is the *range* of a and $\cap_{k=0}^{\infty} a^k(X)$ is called the *stable range* of a and denoted by $SR(a)$.

(1) Define the *depth* $d(x)$ of x by an integer k such that $x \in a^k(X)$, but $x \notin a^{k+1}(X)$ for $x \in X - SR(a)$. $d(x) = \infty$ if $x \in SR(a)$.

(2) Define the *height* of x by the least non-negative integer k such that $d(a^k(x)) > k+d(x)$ if $d(x) < \infty$. Denote it by $h(x)$. Further, $h(x)=\infty$ if $x \in SR(a)$.

Given a partial map b of $a(X)$ to X such that for $x \in a(X)$, $b(x) \in a^{-1}(x)$ and $d(b(x)) \geq d(x)$ for all $x \in a^{-1}(x)$.

(3) Define the *gap* $g(x)$ as the greatest integer k such that $b^k a^k(x) = x$.

(4) Define the *reach* $r(x)$ by $r(x) = g(x) + 1$.

Thus, $h(x) \geq r(x) > g(x)$. Hence $(b^h a^h)(x) \neq x$ and $(b^r a^r)(x) \neq x$.

Schein theorem

For an element $a \in \mathcal{T}_X$,

there exists an element $b \in \mathcal{T}_X$ such that $y = bx$ ($x, y \in X$)

if and only if (1) if $d(x) > 0$ ($x \in X$) then $y \in a^{-1}(x)$ has a maximal depth.

(2) $d(x) = 0$ ($x \in X$) then $a^h(x) = a^{h+1}(y)$ and $(b^r a^r)(ab)(x) = (ab)(b^r a^r)(x)$, where $h = h(x)$, $r = r(x), g(y) \geq r$.

In this case, the subsemigroup $\langle a, b \rangle$ is an inverse semigroup generated by a and b in \mathcal{T}_X .

*This is an abstract and the paper will appear elsewhere.

Acually, take $y = b^{h+1}a^h(x)$ the coIt is possible because of definition of h (that is, $d(a^h(x)) > h+d(x)$).

Remark, By L.M. Gluskin theorem[1], inverse semigroups $\langle a, b \rangle$ and $\langle a', b' \rangle$ are isomorphic to each other if $\langle a \rangle$ and $\langle a' \rangle$ isomorphic. In [2]T.E. Hall showed that Schein theorem is applicable to amalgamation problem.

2 Generalizations of Schein theorem

We pose generalizations of Schein theorem from cyclic semigroups to extensions of cyclic semigroups by groups in $\mathcal{T}(X)$ and several questions as follows :

Let a semigroup $S = G \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^n Ga^i$, where G is the group of units in S and $Ga = aG$.

Question 1 Suppose that S is a subsemigroup of $\mathcal{T}(X)$. The does there exist an elemenet $b \in \mathcal{T}(X)$ such that $\langle S, b \rangle$ is an inverse semigroup?

(the first genralization of Schein theorem)

Let X be a finite set and $a \in \mathcal{T}(X)$ such that there exists distinct $x, y \in X - a(X)$ with $a(x) = a(y)$. Let $g \in \mathcal{T}(X)$ such that $g(x) = y, g(y) = x$ and $g(z) = z$ for all $z \in X - \{x, y\}$.

Let $b \in \mathcal{T}(X)$ such that $bx = b^{h(x)+1}a^{h(x)}(x)$ Then $ga = ag = a$ and $bg = b$ (since $h(x) = h(y)$) but $gb \neq b$. Both gb and b are an inverse element of a .

$\langle S, b \rangle$ is a left inverse semigroup.

Question 1 has a negative answer.

Let a semigroup $S = G \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^n Ga^i$, where G is the group of units in S and $Ga = aG$.

Question 2 Suppose that S is a subsemigroup of $\mathcal{T}(X)$. The does there exist an elemenet $b \in \mathcal{T}(X)$ such that $\langle S, b \rangle$ is an orthodox semigroup? (That is, is the set of idempotents in a regular semigroup $\langle S, b \rangle$ a subsemigroup?)

(the second genralization of Schein theorem)

The answer of Question 2 would be negative.

Let a semigroup $S = G \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^n Ga^i$, where G is the group of units in S and $ga = ag$ for any

$a \in G$.

When $S \subseteq \mathcal{T}(X)$, X is a directed graph with edges labelled by a . For $x \in \text{SR}(X)$, the subgraph $Gr(a; x) = \{y \in X \mid ya^k = x, d(x) < \infty\}$ is a tree, that is, a directed graph without cycle. Each $g \in G$ indeuces an automorphism of a directed graph X .

Question 3 Let a semigroup $S = G \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^n Ga^i$, where G is the group of units in S and $ga = ag$ for any $a \in G$.

Suppose that S is a subsemigroup of $\mathcal{T}(X)$. The does there exist an element $b \in \mathcal{T}(X)$ such that $\langle S, b \rangle$ is an inverse semigroup?

(the third generalization of Schein theorem)

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