## Remarks on locally inverse \*-semigroups

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A semigroup S with a unary operation  $*:S\to S$  is called a regular \*-semigroup if it satisfies

(i) 
$$(x^*)^* = x$$
; (ii)  $(xy)^* = y^*x^*$ ; (iii)  $xx^*x = x$ .

Let S be a regular \*-semigroup. An idempotent e in S is called a *projection* if  $e^* = e$ . For a subset A of S, denote the sets of idempotents and projections of A by E(A) and P(A), respectively.

Let S be a regular \*-semigroup. Define a relation  $\leq$  on S as follows:

$$a \le b \iff a = eb = bf \text{ for some } e, f \in P(S).$$

A regular \*-semigroup S is called a *locally inverse* \*-semigroup if eSe is an inverse semigroup for any  $e \in E(S)$ .

Let G be a non-empty set with a partial product  $\cdot$ , a unary operation \* and a partial order  $\leq$ . We simply write ab instead of  $a \cdot b$ . If ab is defined for  $a, b \in G$ , we sometimes write  $\exists ab$ . An element  $e \in G$  is called an *idempotent* if  $\exists ee$  and ee = e. If an idempotent e satisfies  $e^* = e$ , it is called a *projection*. Denote the sets of idempotents and projections of e0 by e1 by e2, respectively.

If G satisfies the following axioms, it is called an ordered \*-groupoid.

- (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  $\exists a(a^*a)$  and  $a(a^*a) = a$ . We write  $a^*a = d(a)$  and call it the domain identity.
- (A6)  $a \le b$  implies  $a^* \le b^*$ .
- (A7) For  $a, b, c, d \in G$ , if  $a \le b$ ,  $c \le d$ ,  $\exists ac$  and  $\exists bd$ , then  $ac \le bd$ .

- (A8) Let  $a \in G$  and  $e \in P(G)$  such that  $e \leq d(a)$ . Then there exists a unique element (a|e), called the *restriction* of a to e, 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) such that  $\exists (aa^*)a$  and  $(aa^*)a = a$ . We write  $aa^* = r(a)$  and call it the range identity.
- (2) Let  $a \in G$  and  $e \in P(G)$  such that  $e \leq r(a)$ . Then there exists a unique element (e|a), called the corestriction of a to e, such that  $(e|a) \leq a$  and r(e|a) = e.

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

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

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:

$$a \cdot b = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} ab & ab \in R_a \cap L_b \ ext{undefined} & ext{otherwise} \end{array} 
ight.$$

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

**Lemma 2.** [3]  $S(\cdot, *, \leq)$  is a locally inductive \*-groupoid, which is denoted by G(S).

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

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

and we call it a pseudoproduct of a and b.

**Lemma 3.** [3]  $G(\otimes, *)$  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  $G(\cdot, *, \leq)$ , we have  $G(S(G(\cdot, *, \leq))) = G(\cdot, *, \leq)$ .

Let S and T be regular \*-semigroups. A mapping  $\phi: S \to T$  is called a *prehomomorphism* if it satisfies

- (i)  $(ab)\phi \leq (a\phi)(b\phi)$ ,
- (ii)  $(a\phi)^* = a^*\phi$ ,

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 *locally inductive* if it preserves the pseudoproduct.

Now, we have the main result.

**Theorem 6.** 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 locally inductive functors.

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