

## STRUCTURES OF SIMPLE SEMIRINGS

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### ABSTRACT

*In this paper we determined some characteristics of simple semiring and also proved some results on simple semirings which was introduced by Golan [1].*

### PRELIMINARIES

A triple  $(S, +, \cdot)$  is called a semiring if  $(S, +)$  is a semigroup;  $(S, \cdot)$  is semigroup;  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$  and  $(b + c)a = ba + ca$  for every  $a, b, c$  in  $S$ .  $(S, +)$  is said to be band if  $a + a = a$  for all  $a$  in  $S$ . A  $(S, +)$  semigroup is said to be rectangular band if  $a + b + a = a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ . A semigroup  $(S, \cdot)$  is said to be a band if  $a = a^2$  for all  $a$  in  $S$ . A semigroup  $(S, \cdot)$  is said to be rectangular band if  $aba = a$ .

**Definition 1.1:** A semigroup  $(S, \cdot)$  is said to be left (right) singular if  $ab = a$  ( $ab = b$ ) for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ .

**Definition 1.2:** A semigroup  $(S, +)$  is said to be left (right) singular if  $a + b = a$  ( $a + b = b$ ) for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ .

**Definition 1.3:** A semiring  $(S, +, \cdot)$  is said to be zero square semiring if  $x^2 = 0$  for all  $x$  in  $S$ .

**Definition 1.4:** An element 'a' of 'S' is called E - inverse if there is an element 'x' of S such that  $ax + ax = ax$ , i.e  $ax \in E(S)$ , where  $E(S)$  is the set of all idempotent elements of S.

**Definition 1.5:** A semigroup 'S' is called an E - inverse semigroup if every element of S is an E- inverse.

**Definition 1.6:** A semigroup  $(S, +)$  is said to be left regular if  $aba = ab$ .

**Definition 1.7:** A viterbi semiring is a semiring in which S is additively idempotent and multiplicatively subidempotent. i.e.,  $a + a = a$  and  $a + a^2 = a$  for all  $a$  in S.

**Definition 1.8:** A semiring  $(S, +)$  is said to be Additively Idempotent Semiring if  $a + a = a$  for all  $a$  in S.

**Definition 1.9:** [3] A semiring S is called simple if  $a + 1 = 1 + a = 1$  for any  $a \in S$ .

**Theorem 1.10:** Let  $(S, +, \cdot)$  be a simple semiring then following are true.

- (i)  $ab + a = a = a + ab$  (ii)  $ab + a + ab = a$  (iii)  $a + ab + a = a$  (iv)  $a^2 + a = a = a + a^2$

**Proof:** Since  $(S, +, \cdot)$  be a simple semiring  $b + 1 = 1$  for every  $b$  in  $(S, +, \cdot) \Rightarrow a.(b + 1) = a.1 \Rightarrow ab + a = a$ .

Similarly,  $a + ab = a$ .

ii)  $ab + a = a \Rightarrow ab + a.1 = a \Rightarrow ab + a(1 + b) = a \Rightarrow ab + a + ab = a$

iii)  $a + ab + a = a(1 + b) + a = a.1 + a = a + a = a(1 + 1) = a.1 = a \Rightarrow a + ab + a = a$

iv)  $a = a \Rightarrow a.1 = a \Rightarrow a(a + 1) = a \Rightarrow a^2 + a = a$ .

Similarly,  $a + a^2 = a$ . therefore,  $a^2 + a = a = a + a^2$

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**Theorem 1.11:** Let  $(S, +, \cdot)$  be a simple semiring then  $(S, +)$  is a band.

**Proof:** Since  $(S, +, \cdot)$  be a simple semiring  $b + 1 = 1$  for every  $b$  in  $(S, +, \cdot) \Rightarrow a \cdot (b + 1) = a \cdot 1 \Rightarrow ab + a = a$ , for all  $a$  in  $S \Rightarrow a \cdot 1 + a = a$  (taking  $b = 1$ )  $\Rightarrow a + a = a \cdot (S, +)$  is a b and.

**Theorem 1.12:** Let  $(S, +, \cdot)$  be a simple semiring then  $(S, +, \cdot)$  is viterbi semiring.

**Proof:** From the theorem 1.10,  $S$  satisfies  $a^2 + a = a = a + a^2$ .

From the theorem 2,  $(S, +)$  is a band.

Therefore,  $S$  is viterbi semiring.

**Theorem 1.13:** Let  $S$  be a simple semiring. If  $(S, +)$  is a cancellative then (i)  $(S, \cdot)$  is a band. (ii)  $(S, \cdot)$  is a rectangular band.

**Proof:** Since From the theorem 1.10,  $a^2 + a = a \Rightarrow a^2 + a = a + a \Rightarrow a^2 = a$  ( $(S, +)$  is cancellative)  $\Rightarrow (S, \cdot)$  is a band.

Since from the theorem 1,  $a + ab = a \Rightarrow (a + ab)a = a \cdot a \Rightarrow a^2 + aba = a^2 \Rightarrow a + aba = a \Rightarrow a + aba = a + a \Rightarrow aba = a$ . ( $(S, +)$  is cancellative)  $\Rightarrow (S, \cdot)$  is a rectangular band.

**Theorem 1.14:** If  $S$  is a simple semiring and  $(S, \cdot)$  is a left singular then  $(S, +)$  is a band.

**Proof:** From the theorem 1.10,  $a + ab = a$ . Since  $(S, \cdot)$  is left singular implies  $ab = a \Rightarrow a + a = a \Rightarrow (S, +)$  is a b and

**Example 1.15:**

+	a	2a
a	a	a
2a	a	2a

.	a	2a
a	a	a
2a	2a	2a

**Theorem 1.16:** If  $S$  is a simple semiring and  $(S, +)$  is a right singular semigroup, then  $(S, +)$  is a rectangular band.

**Proof:** From the theorem 1.10,  $a + ab = a$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S \Rightarrow a + ab + b = a + b \Rightarrow a + ab + b = b$  ( $(S, +)$  is a rightsingular)  $\Rightarrow a + ab + b + a = b + a \Rightarrow a + ab + b + a = a$  ( $(S, +)$  is a right singular)  $\Rightarrow a + b + a = a$ . Hence  $(S, +)$  is a rectangular band.

**Theorem 1.17:** If  $S$  is a zero square and simple semiring where  $0$  is the additive identity in  $S$  then  $aba = 0$  and  $bab = 0$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ .

**Proof:**  $a + ab = a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ , from theorem 1.10,  $\Rightarrow a^2 + aba = a^2 \Rightarrow 0 + aba = 0$  ( $\because S$  is a zero square semiring,  $a^2 = 0$ )  $\Rightarrow aba = 0$

Also,  $b + ba = b$  for all  $b, a$  in  $S \Rightarrow b^2 + bab = b^2 \Rightarrow 0 + bab = 0$  ( $\because S$  is a zero square semiring,  $b^2 = 0$ )  $\Rightarrow bab = 0$ . Hence,  $aba = 0$  and  $bab = 0$ .

**Theorem 1.18:** Let  $S$  be a simple Semiring.

- (i) If  $(S, \cdot)$  is left regular semigroup and  $(S, \cdot)$  is commutative then  $S$  is an E – inversesemigroup.
- (ii) If  $(S, \cdot)$  is band, then  $S$  is an E – inversesemigroup.

**Proof:**

**(i) From theorem 1.10,**  $a + ab = a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$

$\Rightarrow (a + ab)b = ab \Rightarrow ab + ab^2 = ab \Rightarrow aba + ab^2a = aba \Rightarrow ab + a \cdot bb \cdot a = ab$  ( $\because S$  is leftregular)  $\Rightarrow ab + (bab)a = ab$  ( $(S, \cdot)$  is commutative)  $\Rightarrow ab + baa = ab \Rightarrow ab + aba = ab$   
 $\Rightarrow ab + ab = ab$  ( $\because S$  is leftregular)  $\Rightarrow S$  is an E – inverse semigroup.

**ii) From theorem 1.10,**  $a + ab = a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$

$\Rightarrow (a + ab)b = ab \Rightarrow ab + ab^2 = ab \Rightarrow ab + ab = ab$  ( $(S, \cdot)$  is band)  
 $\Rightarrow S$  is an E – inverse semigroup.

**Theorem 1.19:** If  $S$  is a Simple Semiring with additive identity  $0$  then  $ab = 0$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$  when  $(S, +)$  is cancellative.

**Proof:** From theorem 1.10,  $a + ab = a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$   
 $\Rightarrow a + a + ab = a + a \Rightarrow a + a + ab = a + a + 0 \Rightarrow ab = 0$  ( $\because (S, +)$  is cancellative)

**Theorem 1.20:** If  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  are elements of a simple semiring  $S$  satisfying  $a + c = b$  and  $b + d = a$  and  $(S, +)$  is commutative, then  $a = b$ .

**Proof:** If  $S$  is a Simple Semiring, i.e,  $a = a + a$  Now,  $a = a + b + d$  ( $\because a = b + d$ )  $= a + a + c + d$  ( $\because b = a + c$ )  $= a + c + d$  ( $\because a = a + a$ )  
 $= b + d + c + d$  ( $\because a = b + d$ )  $= b + d + d + c$  ( $\because (S, +)$  is Commutative)  
 $= b + d + c$  ( $\because d = d + d$ )  $= a + c = b$  ( $\because b = a + c$ )

**Theorem 1.21:** If  $S$  is a Simple Semiring then  $a^n + 1 = 1$  for every  $a$  in  $S$ .

**Proof:** Let  $S$  be a simple semiring then we have  $a + 1 = 1$  for every  $a$  in  $S$ . If  $n = 1$  then proof is obvious.

If  $n = 2$  then  $a^2 + 1 = aa + 1 = aa + a + 1 = a(a + 1) + 1 = a.1 + 1 = a + 1 = 1$ .

If  $n = 2$  then the statement is true.

Assume that the statement is true for  $n = k$  the  $a^k + 1 = 1$ .

We have to prove that the statement is true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Consider  $a^{k+1} + 1 = a^k a + 1 = a^k a + a + 1 = a(a^k + 1) + 1 = a.1 + 1 = a + 1 = 1$ .

Hence the result is true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Therefore, If  $S$  is a Simple Semiring then  $a^n + 1 = 1$  for every  $a$  in  $S$ .

**Theorem 1.22:** If  $S$  is a Simple Semiring then  $ab + 1 = 1$  for every  $a, b$  in  $S$ .

**Proof:** If  $S$  is a Simple Semiring then  $a + 1 = 1$  and  $b + 1 = 1$  for every  $a, b$  in  $S$ .  
 $ab + 1 = ab + a + 1 = a(b + 1) + 1 = a.1 + 1 = a + 1 = 1$ .  
Hence,  $ab + 1 = 1$ .

**Theorem 1.23:** If  $S$  is a Simple Semiring then  $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 \dots a_n + 1 = 1$  for every  $a_i$  in  $S$ .

**Theorem 1.24:** Let  $S$  be a simple semiring and  $(S, +)$  be commutative. Then  $(S, \cdot)$  is commutative if  $(S, +)$  is not a rectangularband.

**Proof:** Suppose  $(S, +)$  is a rectangular band

Consider  $ab + a = a$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S \Rightarrow ab + a + ab = a + ab \Rightarrow a(b + 1 + b) = ab + a$  (Since  $(S, +)$  is commutative)  
 $\Rightarrow ab = ab + a$  (Since  $(S, +)$  is a rectangularband)  $\Rightarrow ab = a$

Now  $ab + a = a$  (Put  $a = 1$ ) then  $\Rightarrow 1. b + 1 = 1 \Rightarrow b + 1 = 1$ , for all  $b$  in  $S$

Also  $ba + b = b$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S \Rightarrow ba + b + ba = b + ba \Rightarrow b(a + 1 + a) = ba + b$  (Since  $(S, +)$  is commutative)  
 $\Rightarrow ba = ba + b$  (Since  $(S, +)$  is a rectangularband)  $\Rightarrow ba = b \Rightarrow ab \neq ba$ , which proves the result. Also  $ab = a$   
 $\Rightarrow ab + b = a + b \Rightarrow (a + 1)b = a + b \Rightarrow 1. b = a + b$  (from  $b + 1 = 1$ )  $\Rightarrow b = a + b = b + a$

This is evident from the following example

**Example 1.25:**

+	1	A	b
1	1	1	1
A	1	A	b
B	1	B	b

.	1	a	b
1	1	a	b
a	a	a	a
b	b	a	b

**Theorem 1.26:** Let  $S$  be a simple semiring. Let  $(S, +)$  be commutative and  $(S, \cdot)$  is rectangular band then  $ab = a$  and  $ba = b$

**Proof:** Consider  $ab + a = a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$  and  $ba + b = b$  for all  $b, a$  in  $S$

$\Rightarrow ab = a (ba + b) \Rightarrow ab = aba + ab \Rightarrow ab = a + ab$  (Since  $(S, \cdot)$  is a rectangular band)

$\Rightarrow ab = ab + a$  (Since  $(S, +)$  is commutative)  $\Rightarrow ab = a$

Also  $ba = b (ab + a) \Rightarrow ba = bab + ba \Rightarrow ba = b + ba$  (Since  $(S, \cdot)$  is a rectangular band)  $\Rightarrow ba = ba + b$  (Since  $(S, +)$  is commutative)  $\Rightarrow ba = b$ . Therefore,  $ab = a$  and  $ba = b$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ .

**Theorem 1.27:** Let  $S$  be a simple semiring and  $(S, \cdot)$  be a left singular, then  $(S, +)$  is a right singular semigroup.

**Proof:** By hypothesis  $ab = a$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S$  ( $\because (S, \cdot)$  is left singular)  $\Rightarrow ab + b = a + b \Rightarrow (a + 1)b = a + b \Rightarrow 1 \cdot b = a + b$

( $\because S$  is simple semiring)  $\Rightarrow b = a + b$  Also  $ba = b \Rightarrow ba + a = b + a \Rightarrow (b + 1)a = b + a \Rightarrow 1 \cdot a = b + a$

( $\because S$  is simple semiring)  $\Rightarrow a = b + a$

$a + b = b$  and  $b + a = a$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ . Hence  $(S, +)$  is a right singular semigroup.

**Theorem 1.28:** Let  $S$  be a simple semiring. If  $(S, +)$  is a right singular semigroup, then  $(S, +)$  is a rectangular band.

**Proof:** By hypothesis  $a + b = b$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S$  ( $\because (S, +)$  is right singular)  $\Rightarrow a + b + a = b + a \Rightarrow a + b + a = a$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S$ , which proves the theorem. ( $\because (S, +)$  is a right singular semigroup) i.e.,  $(S, +)$  is a rectangular band.

**Theorem 1.29:** Let  $S$  be a totally ordered simple semiring. If  $(S, +)$  is p.t.o (n.t.o.) and  $(S, \cdot)$  is commutative, then  $(S, \cdot)$  is n.t.o.(p.t.o.).

**Proof:** Since  $S$  is totally ordered simple semiring  $ab + a = a$ , for all  $a, b$  in  $S \Rightarrow a = ab + a \geq ab$  ( $\because (S, +)$  is p.t.o.)  $\Rightarrow a \geq ab$

Suppose  $ab > b \Rightarrow ab + a \geq b + a \Rightarrow a \geq b + a$  ( $\because ab + a = a$ )  $\Rightarrow b + a \leq a$

Which contradicts the hypothesis that  $(S, +)$  is p.t.o.  $\Rightarrow ab \leq b$

$\therefore ab \leq a$  &  $ab \leq b$  Hence  $(S, \cdot)$  is n.t.o.

Similarly we can prove that  $(S, \cdot)$  is p.t.o if  $(S, +)$  is n.t.o.

**Theorem 1.30:** If  $S$  be a simple semiring then  $(S, +)$  is weakly separative semigroup.

**Proof:** If  $S$  be a simple semiring then  $(S, +)$  is a band.

Consider  $a + a = a + b = b + b \Rightarrow a = a + b = b \Rightarrow a = b \Rightarrow (S, +)$  is weakly separative semigroup.

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