

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 band.

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 band.

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 $S \Rightarrow a + ab + b = a + b \Rightarrow a + ab + b = b$ ($\because (S, +)$ is a rightsingular) $\Rightarrow a + ab + b + a = b + a \Rightarrow a + ab + b + a = a$ ($\because (S, +)$ 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
 $\Rightarrow (a + ab) b = ab \Rightarrow ab + ab^2 = ab \Rightarrow aba + ab^2 a = aba \Rightarrow ab + a \cdot bb \cdot a = ab$ ($\because S$ 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) $\Rightarrow a = b + a \Rightarrow$

$a + b = b$ 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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