

## ARCHIMEDIAN $\Gamma$ -SEMIGROUPS

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**Abstract:** In this paper the terms the terms; Archimedean  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and strongly Archimedean  $\Gamma$ -semigroup are introduced. It is proved that if  $S$  is a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup, then the conditions (1)  $S$  is strongly Archimedean, (2)  $S$  is Archimedean, (3)  $S$  has no proper completely prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals and (4)  $S$  has no proper prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals; are equivalent. In an archimedean duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , if  $S$  is a union of finite number of principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals or  $S$  contains a maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal which is finitely generated, then it is proved that every proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal is principal and  $S$  is a union of at most two principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals.

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### PRELIMINARIES

**DEFINITION 2.1 :** Let  $S$  and  $\Gamma$  be any two non-empty sets. Then  $S$  is said to be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup if there exist a mapping from  $S \times \Gamma \times S$  to  $S$  which maps  $(a, \gamma, b) \rightarrow a \gamma b$  satisfying the condition :  $(a\alpha b)\beta c = a\alpha(b\beta c)$  for all  $a, b, c \in S$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

**NOTE 2.2 :** Let  $S$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. If  $A$  and  $B$  are two subsets of  $S$ , we shall denote the set  $\{ a\gamma b : a \in A, b \in B \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma \}$  by  $A\Gamma B$ .

**DEFINITION 2.3 :** A nonempty subset  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *left  $\Gamma$ -ideal* of  $S$  if  $s \in S, a \in A, \alpha \in \Gamma$  implies  $s\alpha a \in A$ .

**NOTE 2.4 :** A nonempty subset  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a left  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$  iff  $S\Gamma A \subseteq A$ .

**DEFINITION 2.5 :** A nonempty subset  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *right  $\Gamma$ -ideal* of  $S$  if  $s \in S, a \in A, \alpha \in \Gamma$  implies  $a\alpha s \in A$ .

**NOTE 2.6 :** A nonempty subset  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a right  $\Gamma$ - ideal of  $S$  iff  $A\Gamma S \subseteq A$ .

**DEFINITION 2.7 :** A nonempty subset  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *two sided  $\Gamma$ - ideal* or simply a  *$\Gamma$ - ideal* of  $S$  if  $s \in S, a \in A, \alpha \in \Gamma$  imply  $s\alpha a \in A, a\alpha s \in A$ .

**NOTE 2.8 :** A nonempty subset  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a two sided  $\Gamma$ -ideal iff it is both a left  $\Gamma$ -ideal and a right  $\Gamma$ - ideal of  $S$ .

**THEOREM 2.9 :** The nonempty intersection of any two (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ .

**THEOREM 2.10 :** The nonempty intersection of any family of (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ .

**THEOREM 2.11 :** The union of any two (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ .

**THEOREM 2.12 :** The union of any family of (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a (left or right)  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ .

**DEFINITION 2.13 :** A  $\Gamma$ - semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *left duo  $\Gamma$ - semigroup* provided every left  $\Gamma$ - ideal of  $S$  is a two sided  $\Gamma$ - ideal of  $S$ .

**DEFINITION 2.14 :** A  $\Gamma$ - semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *right duo  $\Gamma$ - semigroup* provided every right  $\Gamma$ - ideal of  $S$  is a two sided  $\Gamma$ - ideal of  $S$ .

**DEFINITION 2.15 :** A  $\Gamma$ - semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *duo  $\Gamma$ - semigroup* provided it is both a left duo  $\Gamma$ - Semigroup and a right duo  $\Gamma$ - semigroup.

**THEOREM 2.16 :** A  $\Gamma$ - semigroup  $S$  is a duo  $\Gamma$ - semigroup if and only if  $x\Gamma S^1 = S^1\Gamma x$  for all  $x \in S$ .

**THEOREM 2.17 :** Let  $A$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ideal in a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  and  $a, b \in S$ . Then  $a\Gamma b \subseteq A$  if and only if  $\langle a \rangle \Gamma \langle b \rangle \subseteq A$ .

**COROLLARY 2.18 :** Let  $A$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ideal in a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ . Then for any natural number  $n, (\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} a \subseteq A$  implies  $\langle a \rangle \Gamma^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq A$ .

**DEFINITION 2.19 :** A  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal* provided  $A$  is a proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$  and  $A$  is not properly contained in any proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ .

**DEFINITION 2.20 :** A  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $P$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *completely prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal* provided  $x, y \in S$  and  $x\Gamma y \subseteq P$  implies either  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ .

**DEFINITION 2.21 :** A  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $P$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal* provided  $A, B$  are two  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$  and  $A\Gamma B \subseteq P \Rightarrow$  either  $A \subseteq P$  or  $B \subseteq P$ .

**COROLLARY 2.22 :** A  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $P$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal iff  $a, b \in S$  such that  $a\Gamma S^1\Gamma b \subseteq P$ , then either  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ .

**THEOREM 2.23 :** Let  $S$  be a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. A  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $P$  of  $S$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal if and only if  $P$  is a completely prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal.

**DEFINITION 2.24 :** If  $A$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , then the intersection of all prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$  containing  $A$  is called *prime  $\Gamma$ -radical* or simply  *$\Gamma$ -radical* of  $A$  and it is denoted by  $\sqrt{A}$  or  $rad A$ .

**DEFINITION 2.25 :** If  $A$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , then the intersection of all completely prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$  containing  $A$  is called *complete prime  $\Gamma$ -radical* or simply *complete  $\Gamma$ -radical* of  $A$  and it is denoted by  $c. rad A$ .

**NOTE 2.26 :** If  $A$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  then  $rad A = A_3$  and  $c. rad A = A_4$ .

**THEOREM 2.27 :** If  $A$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal of a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , then  $rad A = c. rad A$ .

**NOTATION 2.28 :** If  $A$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , then we associate the following four types of sets.

$A_1$  = The intersection of all completely prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$  containing  $A$ .

$A_2 = \{x \in S : (x\Gamma)^{n-1}x \subseteq A \text{ for some natural number } n\}$

$A_3$  = The intersection of all prime ideals of  $S$  containing  $A$ .

$A_4 = \{x \in S : \langle x \rangle \Gamma^{n-1} \langle x \rangle \subseteq A \text{ for some natural number } n\}$

**COROLLARY 2.29 :** If  $A$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal in a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  and  $x, y \in S$ , then  $x\Gamma y \subseteq A$  implies  $x\Gamma S\Gamma y \subseteq A$ .

**THEOREM 2.30 :** If  $A$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal in a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , then  $A_l(a) = \{x \in S : x\Gamma a \subseteq A\}$  and  $A_r(a) = \{x \in S : a\Gamma x \subseteq A\}$  are  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$  for all  $a \in S$ .

**THEOREM 2.31 :** Let  $A$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ideal in a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  and  $a, b \in S$ . Then  $a\Gamma b \in A$  if and only if  $\langle a \rangle \Gamma \langle b \rangle \subseteq A$ .

**THEOREM 2.32 :** Let  $A$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ideal in a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ . Then  $a_1\Gamma a_2\Gamma \dots a_{n-1}\Gamma a_n \subseteq A$  if and only if  $\langle a_1 \rangle \Gamma \langle a_2 \rangle \dots \Gamma \langle a_n \rangle \subseteq A$ .

**COROLLARY 2.33 :** Let  $A$  be a  $\Gamma$ -ideal in a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ . Then for any natural number  $n$ ,  $(a \Gamma)^{n-1} a \subseteq A$  if and only if  $(\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq A$ .

**THEOREM 2.34 :** Let  $S$  be a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. A  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $P$  of  $S$  is prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal if and only if  $P$  is a completely prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal.

**COROLLARY 2.35 :** If  $H$  is the collection of all  $\Gamma$ -ideals in a  $\Gamma$ -closed duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , which are not finitely generated and  $H \neq \emptyset$ , then there exists a prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal which is not finitely generated.

### 3. ARCHIMEDIAN $\Gamma$ -SEMIGROUPS

**DEFINITION 3.1 :** A  $\Gamma$ - semigroup  $S$  is said to be an *archimedian  $\Gamma$ - semigroup* provided for any  $a, b \in S$ , there exists a natural number  $n$  such that  $(a\Gamma)^{n-1} a \subseteq \langle b \rangle$ .

**DEFINITION 3.2 :** A  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *strongly archimedean  $\Gamma$ -semigroup* provided for any  $a, b \in S$ , there is a natural number  $n$  such that  $(\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle b \rangle$ .

**THEOREM 3.3 :** If  $S$  is a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup, then  $S$  is strongly archimedean if and only if archimedean.

*Proof :* Suppose that  $S$  is strongly Archimedean.

Then for any  $a, b \in S$ , there is a natural number  $n$  such that  $(\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle b \rangle$ .

Therefore  $(a\Gamma)^{n-1} a \subseteq (\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle b \rangle$  and hence  $S$  is Archimedean.

Conversely suppose that  $S$  is archemedian. Let  $a, b \in S$ . Since  $S$  is archemedian, there exists a natural number  $n$  such that

$(\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle b \rangle \subseteq S \Gamma b \Gamma S$ . Since  $S \Gamma b \Gamma S$  is a  $\Gamma$ -ideal of a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$ , by corollary 3.2.5,  $(a\Gamma)^{n-1}a \subseteq S \Gamma b \Gamma S$

$\Rightarrow (\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq S \Gamma b \Gamma S$ . Therefore  $S$  is a strongly Archimedean duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup.

**THEOREM 3.4 :** If  $S$  is a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup, then  $S$  is archimedean if and only if  $S$  has no proper prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals.

**Proof :** Suppose that  $S$  is archimedean  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. Let  $P$  be prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ . Let  $a, b \in S$ . Since  $P$  is  $\Gamma$ -ideal,  $S \Gamma a \Gamma S \subseteq P$ . Since  $S$  is archimedean,  $(b\Gamma)^{n-1} \subseteq S \Gamma a \Gamma S$  for some natural number  $n$ . Thus  $(b\Gamma)^{n-1} \subseteq S \Gamma a \Gamma S \subseteq P$ . Since  $S$  is a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup, by theorem 3.2.10,  $P$  is completely prime. Thus  $(b\Gamma)^{n-1}b \subseteq P \Rightarrow b \in P$ . Hence  $S = P$ . Therefore  $S$  has no proper prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals.

Conversely suppose that  $S$  has no proper prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals. Then for any  $b \in S$ , the intersection of all prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$  containing  $B = \langle b \rangle$  is  $S$  itself. Therefore  $B_3 = S$ . We have

$$B_4 = \{x \in S : (\langle x \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle x \rangle \subseteq \langle b \rangle \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$= S$ .

Therefore for any  $a \in S$ ,  $(\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq \langle b \rangle$  for some natural number  $n$ .

So  $(\langle a \rangle \Gamma)^{n-1} \langle a \rangle \subseteq S \Gamma b \Gamma S$ . Thus  $S$  is strongly archimedean.

Hence by theorem 3.3,  $S$  is archimedean.

**COROLLARY 3.5 :** If  $S$  is a duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup, then the conditions (1)  $S$  is strongly Archimedean, (2)  $S$  is Archimedean, (3)  $S$  has no proper completely prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals and (4)  $S$  has no proper prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals are equivalent.

**THEOREM 3.6 :** Let  $S$  be a duo archimedean  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. If  $S$  is a union of finite number of principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals, then every proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal is principal and  $S$  is a union of at most two principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals.

**Proof :** Suppose that  $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \langle x_i \rangle$ . Let  $H$  be the collection of all proper  $\Gamma$ -ideals which are not principal. If  $H \neq \emptyset$  then clearly  $H$  is a partially ordered set under set inclusion. Let  $\{A_\alpha\}$  be a chain of  $\Gamma$ -ideals in  $H$ . If  $S = \bigcup A_\alpha$  then  $x_i \in A_i$  for some natural number  $i$ .

If we take  $j = \max \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  then  $x_i \in A_j$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ . So  $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \langle x_i \rangle \subseteq A_j \subseteq S$ . and hence  $A_j = S$ .

It is a contradiction. Hence  $S \neq \bigcup A_\alpha$ . If  $\bigcup A_\alpha = \langle a \rangle$  for some  $a \in S$ , then  $a \in A_i$  for some  $i$  and hence  $A_i = \langle a \rangle$ , which is not true. Thus  $\bigcup A_\alpha \in H$ . Therefore  $H$  satisfies the hypothesis of Zorn's lemma. By Zorn's lemma, there exists a maximal element  $P$  in  $H$ . By corollary 3.8,  $P$  is a prime  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ . Since  $S$  is a duo archimedean  $\Gamma$ -semigroup, by theorem 3.4,  $S$  has no proper prime  $\Gamma$ -ideals. It is a contradiction. Hence  $H = \emptyset$ . Therefore every proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$  is a

principal  $\Gamma$ -ideal. Let  $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \langle x_i \rangle$  with  $x_i \notin \langle x_j \rangle$  for  $i \neq j$ . If  $n > 2$ , then  $S \neq \langle x_1 \rangle \cup \langle x_2 \rangle$ . Since  $\langle x_1 \rangle \cup \langle x_2 \rangle$  is a proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal,  $\langle x_1 \rangle \cup \langle x_2 \rangle$  is a principal  $\Gamma$ -ideal. Thus either  $\langle x_1 \rangle \subseteq \langle x_2 \rangle$  or  $\langle x_2 \rangle \subseteq \langle x_1 \rangle$ . This contradicts the choice of  $x_i$ 's. Thus  $n \leq 2$ ,

**THEOREM 3.7 :** Let  $S$  be an archemedian duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup. If  $S$  contains a maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal which is finitely generated, then every proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal is principal and  $S$  is a union of at most two principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals.

*Proof :* Suppose that  $S$  contains a maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $M$  which is finitely generated. Let  $a \in S/M$ . Since  $M$  is maximal,  $S = M \cup \langle a \rangle$ . So  $S$  is a union of finite number of principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals. Therefore by theorem 3.6, every  $\Gamma$ -ideal is principal and  $S$  is a union of at most two principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals.

**DEFINITION 3.7 :** A  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is said to be a *noetherian  $\Gamma$ -semigroup* if ascending chain of  $\Gamma$ -ideals becomes stationary. i.e., if  $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3 \subseteq \dots$  is an ascending chain of  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$ , then there exists a natural number  $m$  such that  $A_m = A_n$  for all natural numbers  $n \geq m$ .

**NOTE 3.8 :** A  $\Gamma$ -semigroup  $S$  is noetherian if and only if every  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$  is a union of finite number of principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$ .

**THEOREM 3.9 :** If  $S$  is a noetherian  $\Gamma$ -semigroup containing proper  $\Gamma$ -ideals then  $S$  has a maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal.

*Proof :* Let  $A_1$  be a proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ . If  $A_1$  is not a maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ , then there exists a proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $A_2$  of  $S$  such that  $A_1 \subset A_2$ . If  $A_2$  is not a maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ , then there exists a proper  $\Gamma$ -ideal  $A_3$  of  $S$  such that  $A_2 \subset A_3$ . By continuing this process we get an ascending chain of proper  $\Gamma$ -ideals of  $S$ . Since  $S$  is noetherian, the chain  $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset A_3 \dots$  is stationary. It is a contradiction. Therefore there exists a maximal  $\Gamma$ -ideal of  $S$ .

**THEOREM 3.10 :** Let  $S$  be a duo noetherian  $\Gamma$ -semigroup such that  $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \langle x_i \rangle$ . Suppose  $a \in \langle x_i \Gamma a \rangle$  for all  $a \in S$ , which is not a product of power of  $x_i$ 's. Then  $S$  is finitely generated. In particular if  $S$  is noetherian strongly  $\Gamma$ -cancellative  $\Gamma$ -semigroup without identity then  $S$  is finitely generated.

*Proof :* Suppose that there exists an element  $a$  such that  $a$  is not a product of  $x_i$ 's. If  $a = x_i \alpha_1 s_1$  for  $\alpha_1 \in \Gamma$ , where  $a \neq s_1$  is not a product of power of  $x_i$ 's. Hence  $s_1 = x_j \alpha_2 s_2$  for  $\alpha_2 \in \Gamma$ , where  $s_2$  is not product of powers of  $x_i$ 's. If  $s_2 \in \langle s_1 \rangle$  then  $s_2 = s_1 \alpha_3 r$  for some  $r \in S^1$ ,  $\alpha_3 \in \Gamma$  and hence  $s_1 = x_j \alpha_2 (s_1 \alpha_3 r) \in \langle x_j \Gamma s_1 \rangle$ , which is not true. Hence  $\langle s_1 \rangle \subset \langle s_2 \rangle$ . By continuing this process, we get a nonterminating chain of  $\Gamma$ -ideals

$\langle s_1 \rangle \subset \langle s_2 \rangle \subset \langle s_3 \rangle \subset \dots$  Since  $S$  is noetherian, it is a contradiction. So  $S$  is finitely generated. If  $S$  is a strongly  $\Gamma$ -cancellative  $\Gamma$ -semigroup and if  $a = a\beta_1(b\beta_2a)$  for  $\beta_1, \beta_2 \in \Gamma$ , then  $b\beta_2a$  is an identity in  $S$ . It is a contradiction. So  $a \notin \langle x_i \Gamma a \rangle$  for all  $a \in S$ . As above, we have  $S$  is finitely generated.

**THEOREM 3.11 :** Let  $S$  be an archemedian duo  $\Gamma$ -semigroup with  $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \langle x_i \rangle$ . If  $a \notin \langle x_i \Gamma a \rangle$  for all  $a \in S$ , which is not a product of powers of  $x_i \in S$ , then  $S$  is finitely generated.

**Proof :** Let  $S$  be an archemedian duo  $\Gamma$ - semigroup with  $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \langle x_i \rangle$ . By theorem 3.6,  $S$  is a union of at most two principal  $\Gamma$ -ideals. By theorem 3.10,  $S$  is finitely generated.

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