

Min network of congruences on an inverse semigroup

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Various classes of semigroups

- group $\mathcal{SL} \subseteq \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{I} = \mathcal{SL}, \dots$
- regular semigroup — $(\forall a \in S)(\exists x \in S) axa = a$
- inverse semigroup — every element of S has a unique inverse
— S is regular, and its idempotents commute
- completely regular semigroup — every element of S lies in a subgroup of S
- band — every element of S is idempotent
- semilattice — commutative idempotent semigroup
- Clifford semigroup — S is regular and the idempotents of S are central
— a semilattice of groups
- E -unitary semigroup — $(\forall e \in E_S)(\forall s \in S) es \in E_S \Rightarrow s \in E_S$
- ...

- congruence

- a compatible equivalence relation

$$(\forall s, t, s', t' \in S) [(s, t) \in \rho \text{ and } (s', t') \in \rho] \Rightarrow (ss', tt') \in \rho$$

- both a left and a right congruence

$$(\forall s, t, a \in S) (s, t) \in \rho \Rightarrow (as, at) \in \rho, (sa, ta) \in \rho$$

- semigroup $S \xrightarrow{\text{congruence } \rho} \text{quotient semigroup } S/\rho$

- significance

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✓ S is an E -unitary inverse semigroup $\iff \sigma \cap \mathcal{L} = \varepsilon$

$$S = \mathcal{M}(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) = \{(A, g) \in \mathcal{Y} \times G \mid g^{-1}A \in \mathcal{Y}\}$$

$$\mathcal{Y} = S/\mathcal{L}, G = S/\sigma$$

✓ S is a Clifford semigroup $\iff \mu = \eta$

$$S = [Y; G_\alpha, \phi_{\alpha,\beta}]$$

$$Y = S/\eta = S/\mathcal{J}$$

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- kernel–trace approach

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$$\text{tr } \rho = \rho|_{E_S}, \quad \ker \rho = \{x \in S \mid (\exists e \in E_S) x \rho e\}.$$

Result

Let ρ be a congruence on S . Then

$$a \rho b \iff a^{-1}a \text{ tr } \rho b^{-1}b, \quad ab^{-1} \in \ker \rho.$$

- \mathcal{T} , \mathcal{K} -relation

Let $\rho, \theta \in \mathcal{C}(S)$,

$$\rho \mathcal{T} \theta \iff \text{tr } \rho = \text{tr } \theta, \quad \rho \mathcal{K} \theta \iff \ker \rho = \ker \theta.$$

- kernel–trace approach

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$$\rho \mathcal{T} \theta \iff \text{tr } \rho = \text{tr } \theta, \quad \rho \mathcal{K} \theta \iff \ker \rho = \ker \theta.$$

Result

For any $\rho \in \mathcal{C}(S)$, $\rho \mathcal{T} = [\rho_t, \rho^T]$, $\rho \mathcal{K} = [\rho_k, \rho^K]$, where

$$a \rho_t b \iff ae = be \text{ for some } e \in E_S, e \rho a^{-1} a \rho b^{-1} b,$$

$$a \rho^T b \iff a^{-1} e a \rho b^{-1} e b \text{ for all } e \in E_S,$$

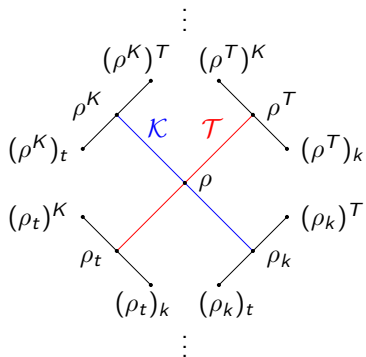
$$\rho_k = (\rho \cap \mathcal{L})^*,$$

$$a \rho^K b \iff [xay \in \ker \rho \iff xby \in \ker \rho \text{ for all } x, y \in S^1].$$

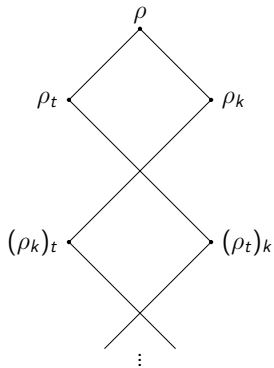
- kernel–trace approach
- \mathcal{T} , \mathcal{K} -relation
- congruence networks
 - single out various classes of semigroups of particular interest
 - structure

Congruence network

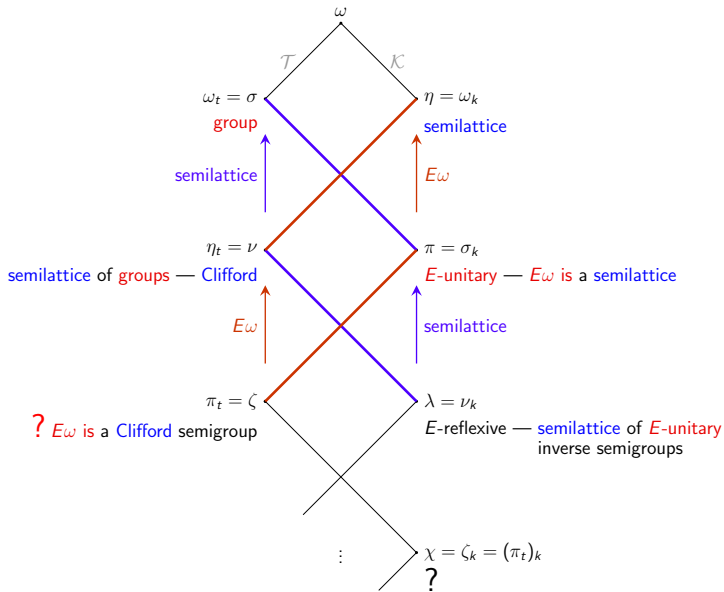
$$\mathcal{T} \cap \mathcal{K} = \varepsilon$$



congruence network of ρ



min network of ρ



min network of ω

Proposition

The following conditions on an inverse semigroup S are equivalent.

- (1) S is an $E\omega$ -Clifford semigroup;
- (2) $\sigma \cap \mathcal{L}$ is a congruence;
- (3) $\sigma \cap \mathcal{R}$ is a congruence;
- (4) $\sigma \cap \mathcal{L} = \sigma \cap \mathcal{R}$;
- (5) $\sigma \cap \mathcal{L} = \sigma \cap \mu$;
- (6) there exists an idempotent separating E -unitary congruence on S ;
- (7) $\pi \subseteq \mu$;
- (8) $\pi_t = \varepsilon$;
- (9) $e\sigma$ is a Clifford semigroup for every $e \in E(S)$;
- (10) S satisfies the implication $xy = x \Rightarrow y \in E(S)\zeta$;
- (11) $E(S)\omega \subseteq E(S)\zeta$;
- (12) $\pi \cap \mathcal{F} = \varepsilon$.

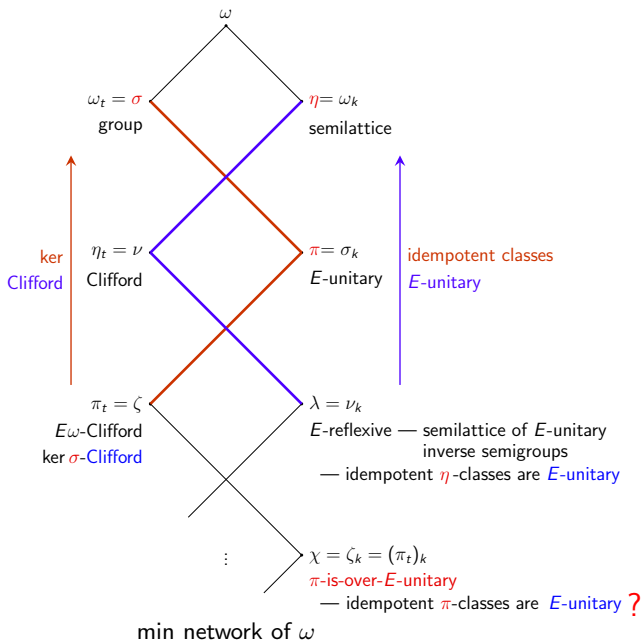
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The following statements concerning a congruence ρ on an inverse semigroup S are equivalent.

- (1) ρ is an $E\omega$ -Clifford congruence;
- (2) $\pi_\rho \subseteq \rho^T$, where π_ρ is the least E -unitary congruence on S containing ρ ;
- (3) $\text{tr } \pi_\rho = \text{tr } \rho$.

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Min network of ω on inverse semigroups



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Definition

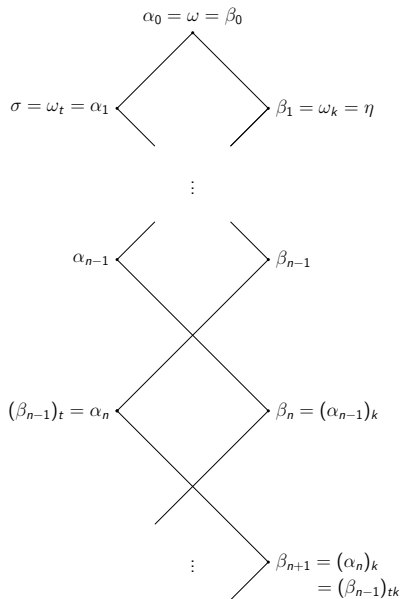
On S we define inductively the following two sequences of congruences:

$$\alpha_0 = \omega = \beta_0;$$

$$\alpha_n = (\beta_{n-1})_t, \quad \beta_n = (\alpha_{n-1})_k,$$

for $n \geq 1$.

We call the aggregate $\{\alpha_n, \beta_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$, together with the inclusion relation for congruences, the **min network** of ω on S .



min network of ω

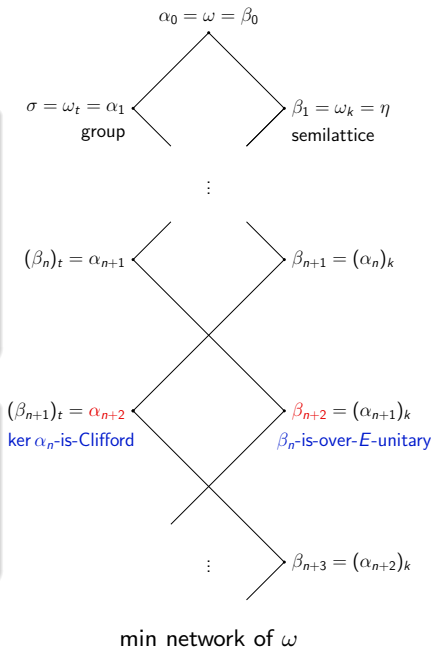
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Definition

An inverse semigroup for which $\ker \alpha_n$ is a Clifford semigroup is called a **$\ker \alpha_n$ -is-Clifford semigroup**. An inverse semigroup S is called a **β_n -is-over- E -unitary semigroup** if $e\beta_n$ is E -unitary for each $e \in E_S$.

Theorem

- (1) α_{n+2} is the least $\ker \alpha_n$ -Clifford congruence on S ;
- (2) β_{n+2} is the least β_n -is-over- E -unitary congruence on S .



ker α_n -is-Clifford semigroups and β_n -is-over- E -unitary semigroups

Proposition

For $n \geq 1$, the following conditions on an inverse semigroup S are equivalent:

- (1) S is a ker α_n -is-Clifford semigroup;
- (2) $[a \alpha_n b \text{ and } a^{-1}a \leq b^{-1}b] \implies aa^{-1} \leq bb^{-1}$;
- (3) $\alpha_n \cap \mathcal{L} = \alpha_n \cap \mathcal{R}$;
- (4) $\alpha_n \cap \mathcal{L}$ is a congruence;
- (5) $\alpha_n \cap \mathcal{R}$ is a congruence;
- (6) $\alpha_n \cap \mathcal{L} = \alpha_n \cap \mu$;
- (7) there exists an idempotent separating β_{n-1} -is-over- E -unitary congruence on S ;
- (8) $\beta_{n+1} \subseteq \mu$; (9) $(\beta_{n+1})_t = \varepsilon$;
- (10) $\beta_{n+1} \cap \mathcal{F} = \varepsilon$; (11) $\ker \alpha_n \subseteq E_S \zeta$;
- (12) S satisfies the implication $xy = x, x^{-1}x \alpha_n yy^{-1} \implies y \in E_S \zeta$.

Proposition

For $n \geq 1$, the following conditions on an inverse semigroup S are equivalent:

- (1) S is a β_n -is-over- E -unitary semigroup;
- (2) $\beta_n \cap \mathcal{F}$ is a congruence;
- (3) $\beta_n \cap \mathcal{C}$ is a congruence;
- (4) $\beta_n \cap \mathcal{F} = \beta_n \cap \tau$;
- (5) $\beta_n \cap \mathcal{C} = \beta_n \cap \tau$;
- (6) there exists an idempotent pure ker α_{n-1} -is-Clifford congruence on S ;
- (7) $\alpha_{n+1} \subseteq \tau$; (8) $\alpha_{n+1} \cap \mathcal{L} = \varepsilon$;
- (9) $(\alpha_{n+1})_k = \varepsilon$; (10) $\text{tr } \beta_n \subseteq \text{tr } \tau$;
- (11) S satisfies the implication $xy = x, x^{-1}x \alpha_{n+1} yy^{-1} \implies y \in E_S$.

ker α_n -is-Clifford congruences and β_n -is-over- E -unitary congruences

Proposition

For $n \geq 1$, the following statements concerning a congruence ρ on an inverse semigroup S are equivalent:

- (1) ρ is a ker α_n -is-Clifford congruence;
- (2) $(\beta_{n+1})_\rho \subseteq \rho^T$, where $(\beta_{n+1})_\rho$ is the least β_{n-1} -is-over- E -unitary congruence on S containing ρ ;
- (3) $\text{tr}(\beta_{n+1})_\rho = \text{tr} \rho$.

Theorem

α_{n+2} is the least ker α_n -Clifford congruence on S .

Proposition

For $n \geq 1$, the following statements concerning a congruence ρ on an inverse semigroup S are equivalent:

- (1) ρ is a β_n -is-over- E -unitary congruence;
- (2) $(\alpha_{n+1})_\rho \subseteq \rho^K$, where $(\alpha_{n+1})_\rho$ is the least ker α_{n-1} -is-Clifford congruence on S containing ρ ;
- (3) $\ker(\alpha_{n+1})_\rho = \ker \rho$.

Theorem

β_{n+2} is the least β_n -is-over- E -unitary congruence on S .

Quasivarieties

Definition (Petrich - Reilly, 1982)

An inverse semigroup S might satisfy one of the following implications:

$$(A_0) \ x = y; \quad (A_1) \ x^{-1}x = y^{-1}y;$$

$$(A_2) \ y \in E\zeta;$$

$$(A_n) \ xy = x, \ x\beta_{n-3}y \Rightarrow y \in E\zeta, \\ n \geq 3;$$

$$(B_0) \ x = y; \quad (B_1) \ y \in E;$$

$$(B_n) \ xy = x, \ x\beta_{n-2}y \Rightarrow y \in E, \\ n \geq 2.$$

Theorem (Petrich - Reilly, 1982)

- (1) α_n is the minimum congruence ρ on S such that S/ρ satisfies (A_n) ;
- (2) β_n is the minimum congruence ρ on S such that S/ρ satisfies (B_n) .

Definition

An inverse semigroup S might satisfy one of the following implications:

$$(A'_0) \ x = y; \quad (A'_1) \ x^{-1}x = y^{-1}y;$$

$$(A'_2) \ y \in E\zeta;$$

$$(A'_n) \ xy = x, \ x^{-1}x\alpha_{n-2}yy^{-1} \Rightarrow \\ y \in E\zeta, \ n \geq 3;$$

$$(B'_0) \ x = y; \quad (B'_1) \ y \in E;$$

$$(B'_n) \ xy = x, \ x^{-1}x\alpha_{n-1}yy^{-1} \Rightarrow \\ y \in E, \ n \geq 2.$$

Theorem

- (1) α_n is the minimum congruence ρ on S such that S/ρ satisfies (A'_n) ;
- (2) β_n is the minimum congruence ρ on S such that S/ρ satisfies (B'_n) .

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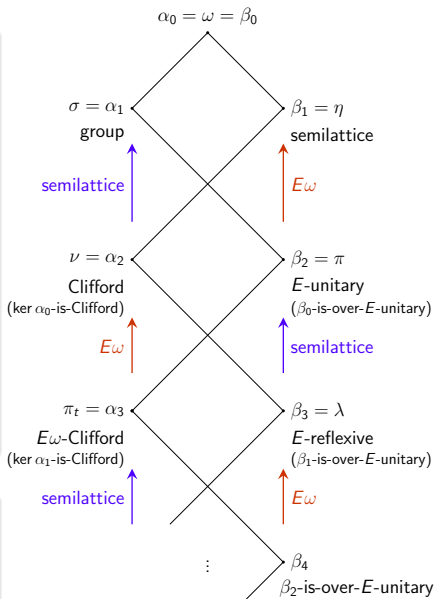
Theorem

Let n be a non-negative integer. The following statements are valid in any inverse semigroup S .

- (1) Every η -class of S/β_{2n+3} is a β_{2n} -is-over- E -unitary semigroup;
- (2) every η -class of $S/\alpha_{2(n+2)}$ is a $\ker \alpha_{2n+1}$ -is-Clifford semigroup;
- (3) $(E_{S/\alpha_{2n+3}})\omega$ is a $\ker \alpha_{2n}$ -is-Clifford semigroup;
- (4) $(E_{S/\beta_{2(n+2)}})\omega$ is a β_{2n+1} -is-over- E -unitary semigroup.

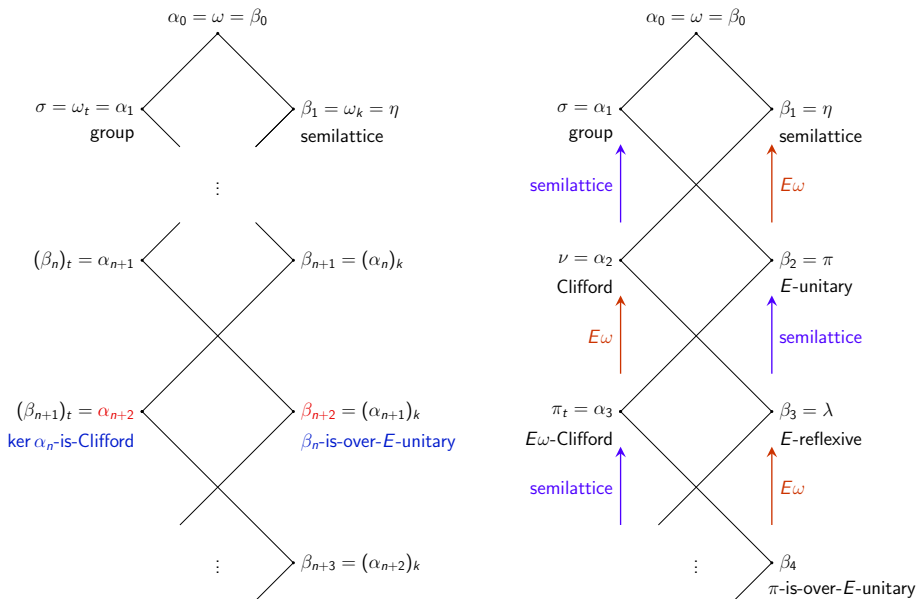
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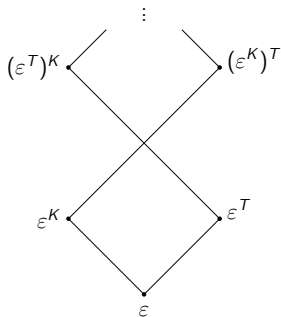
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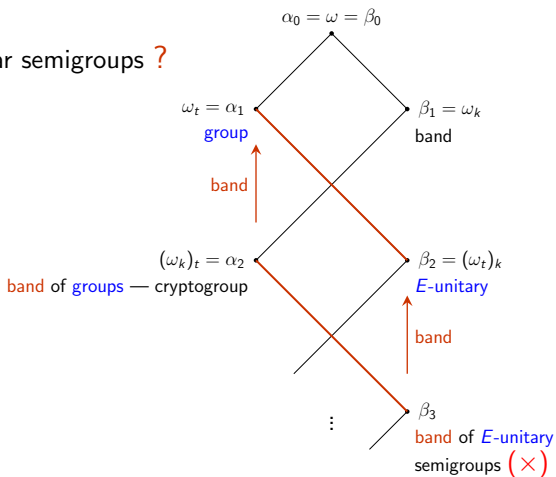


Some future work

- Pattern suitable for others ?
 - In general, NO!
 - Completely regular semigroups ?
- Max network of ε ?



max network of ε



min network of ω on regular semigroups



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