

# Some results on almost factorizable semigroups

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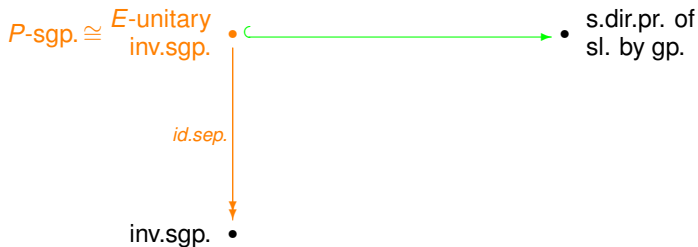
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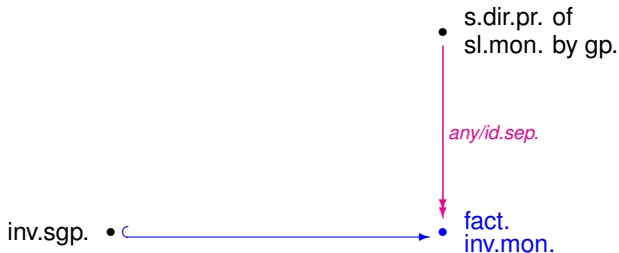


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An analogue for inverse *semigroups*?



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## Fact

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$UP(S)$  — group of units of  $PS$

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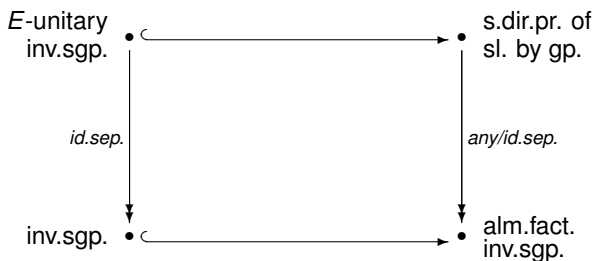
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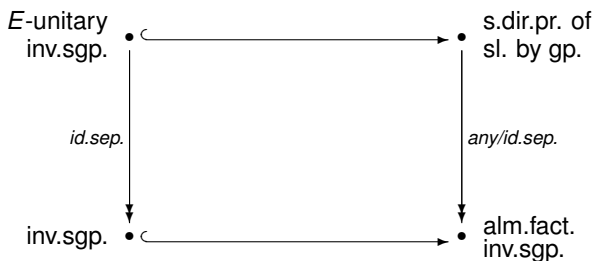
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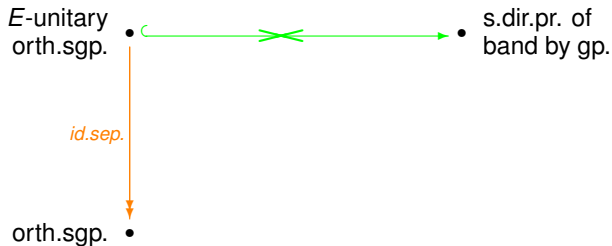
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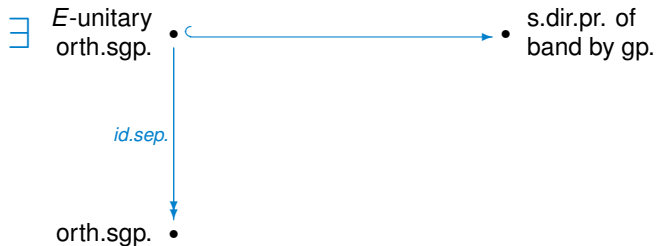
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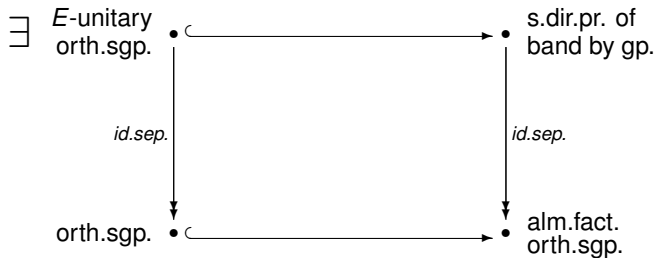
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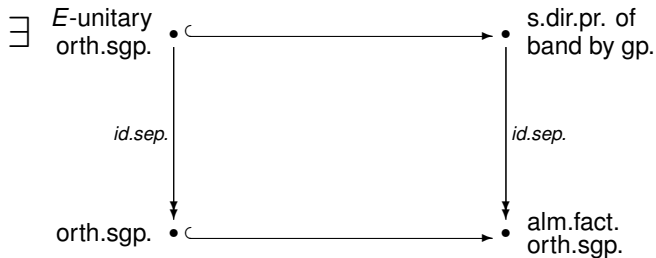


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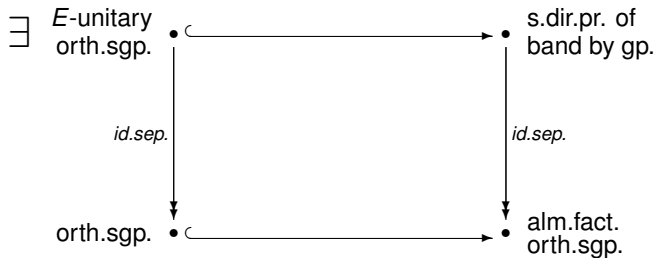
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Hartmann, Sz. (subm.)

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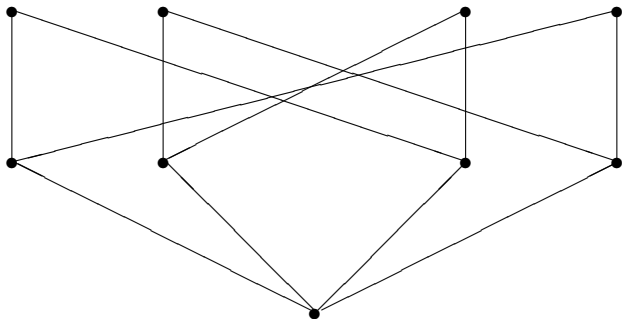
## Example

$S = B \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_4$  — semidirect product with  $B$  a left normal band  
 $\kappa$  — idempotent pure congruence on  $S$  s.t.

- the greatest group homomorphic image of  $S/\kappa$  is  $\mathbb{Z}_2$
- $S/\kappa$  is not isomorphic to a semidirect product of a band by a group

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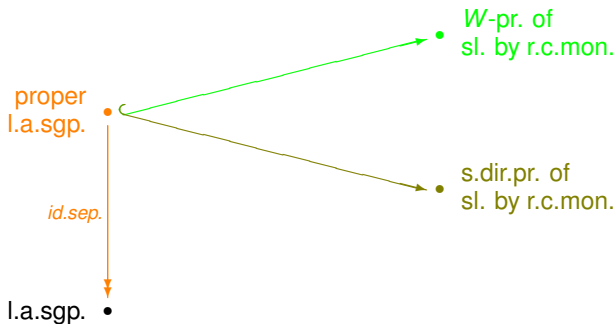
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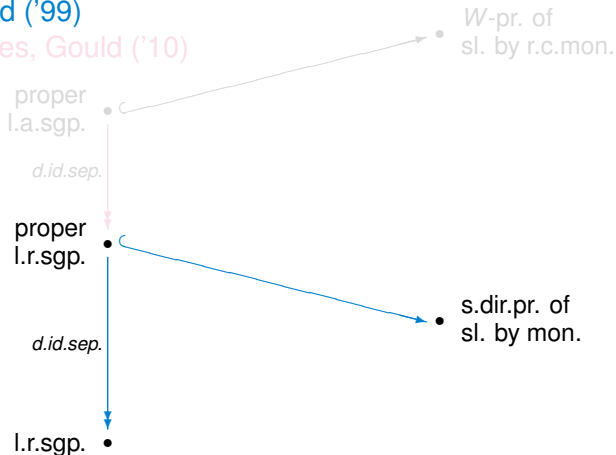
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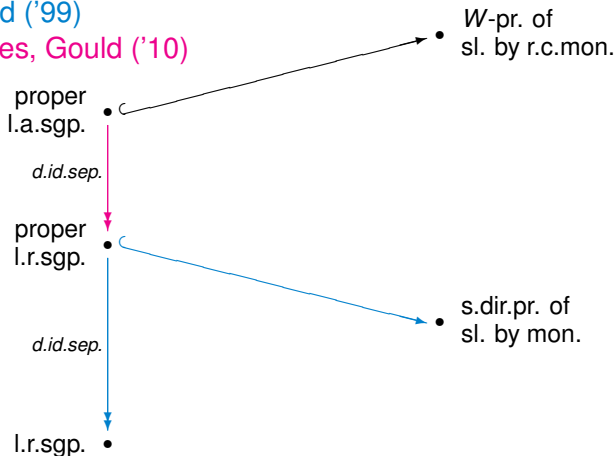
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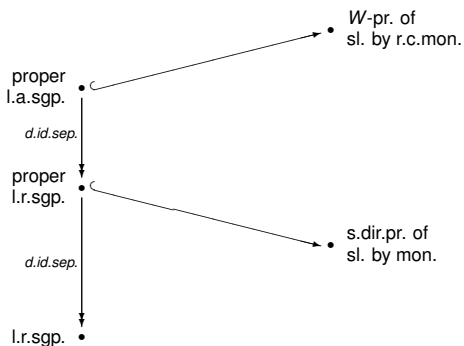
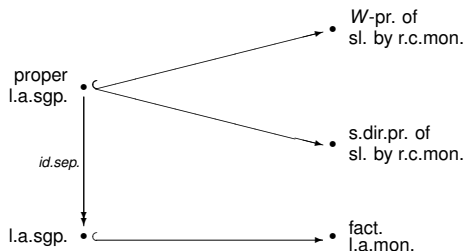
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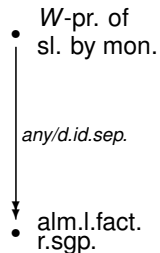
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