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Summary. - In this paper, we shall consider orthodox bands of commutative groups, together with a ring of endomorphisms. We shall generalize the concept of a left module by introducing orthodox bands of left modules ; we shall also deal with linear mappings, the transpose of a linear mapping and with the dual of an orthodox band of left modules.

We shall use the notations and terminology of [1](chap 2, § 1) and [2].

1. Definition.

Let $(R, +, \circ)$ be a ring with zero element 0 and identity 1. Let S be a semigroup and $R \times S \longrightarrow S$, $(\alpha, x) \longrightarrow \alpha x$ a mapping satisfying the following conditions :

- (i) $\alpha(xy) = (\alpha x)(\alpha y)$ for every $\alpha \in R$ and every $x, y \in S$,
- (ii) $(\alpha + \beta)x = (\alpha x)(\beta x)$ for every $\alpha, \beta \in R$ and every $x \in S$,
- (iii) $(\alpha \circ \beta)x = \alpha(\beta x)$ for every $\alpha, \beta \in R$ and every $x \in S$,
- (iv) $1x = x$ for every $x \in S$.

The so-defined structure will be called an orthodox band of left R -modules. Next theorem justifies our terminology.

2. THEOREM 1. - Let R, S and mapping $R \times S \longrightarrow S$ be as in 1. Then S is an orthodox band of commutative groups, and the maximal subgroups of S are left invariant by the elements of R .

Proof. - Let x be any element of S , and α any element of R ; we then have

$$(0x)(0x) = (0 + 0)x = 0x,$$

$$(\alpha x)(0x) = (\alpha + 0)x = \alpha x = (0 + \alpha)x = (0x)(\alpha x),$$

$$(\alpha x)((-\alpha)x) = (\alpha - \alpha)x = 0x = (-\alpha + \alpha)x = ((-\alpha)x)(\alpha x).$$

This implies that for any $\alpha \in R$ and any $x \in S$, αx belongs to the maximal subgroup of S with identity $0x$, the inverse of αx in this maximal subgroup must be $(-\alpha)x$. More specifically $1x = x$ belongs to the maximal subgroup of S with identity $0x$, and its inverse in this maximal subgroup must be $(-1)x$. We conclude that S must be a completely regular semigroup and that all maximal subgroup of S are left invariant by the elements of R .

For every $x, y \in S$ we have

$$(xy)(xy) = (1 + 1)(xy) = ((1 + 1)x)((1 + 1)y) = x^2 y^2.$$

Let e, f be any idempotents of S , then the foregoing implies that

$$(ef)^2 = e^2 f^2 = ef, \text{ hence } E_S = \{x \in S; x^2 = x\}$$

must be a subsemigroup of S . Let x and y belong to a same maximal subgroup of S , then the foregoing implies

$$xy = ((-1)x)x^2 y^2 ((-1)x)xyxy((-1)y) = yx,$$

hence S is a union of commutative groups. We conclude that S is an orthodox union of commutative groups [3].

Let e and f be any idempotent of S , and $x \in H_e$, $y \in H_f$. We put $(-1)x = x'$ and $(-1)y = y'$. then

$$\begin{aligned} ef &= (ef)^2 = (1+1)(ef) = (1+1)(x(x'f)) = x^2(x'f)^2 \\ &= x^2 x'fx'f = (xf)(x'f) \end{aligned}$$

and analogously

$$ef = (x'f)(xf).$$

Since ef , $x'f$ and xf are elements of rectangular group D_{ef} [3], the foregoing implies that xf and $x'f$ are mutually inverse elements of maximal subgroup H_{ef} . Dually, ey and ey' are mutually inverse elements of maximal subgroup H_{ef} . Since $(xy)y' = xf$ and $(xf)y = xy$ we have $xy \mathcal{R} xf$, hence $xy \mathcal{R} ef$. Analogously, since $x'(xy) = ey$ and $x(ey) = xy$ we have $xy \mathcal{L} ey$, hence $xy \mathcal{L} ef$. We conclude that $xy \mathcal{H} ef$. Green's relation $\mathcal{H}$ must then be a congruence on S . Thus S is an orthodox band of commutative groups [3].

3. Remark.

Let S be an orthodox band of commutative groups. Then, by Yamada's theorem ([3] and [11]), there exists a band E , and a semilattice of commutative groups Q , both having the same structure semilattice Y , such that S is the spined product of Q and E over Y : $S = Q \times_Y E$. Let $Q = \bigcup_{\mu \in Y} G_\mu$ and $E = \bigcup_{\mu \in Y} E_\mu$, then S consists of ordered pairs (x_μ, e_μ) , $\mu \in Y$, $x_\mu \in G_\mu$, $e_\mu \in E_\mu$; multiplication is defined by

$$(x_\lambda, e_\lambda)(y_\mu, f_\mu) = (x_\lambda y_\mu, e_\lambda f_\mu)$$

for any $\lambda, \mu \in Y$, $x_\lambda \in G_\lambda$, $y_\mu \in G_\mu$, $e_\lambda \in E_\lambda$, $f_\mu \in E_\mu$. The identity element of G_μ , $\mu \in Y$ will be denoted by 1_μ .

The following result will generalize a theorem of [4] about semilattices of left modules. In patching up next theorem and theorem 1, we actually get a characterization for orthodox bands of commutative groups.

4. THEOREM 2. - Let S be any orthodox band of commutative groups, and let $\mathbb{Z}$ be the ring of integers. Let e be any idempotent of S , and x and x' mutually inverse elements of maximal subgroup H_e . Define mapping $\mathbb{Z} \times S \rightarrow S$, $(k, x) \rightarrow kx$ by

$$\begin{aligned}
 kx &= x^k && \text{if } k > 0, \\
 &= e && \text{if } k = 0, \\
 &= x^{-k} && \text{if } k < 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then S is an orthodox band of left $\underline{Z}$ -modules.

Proof. - Conditions (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) of 1 are checked by some easy calculations.

5. Definitions and remarks.

Let S be an orthodox band of left R -modules, and τ a congruence on semigroup S . The natural homomorphism of S onto S/τ , will be denoted by τ^h . τ will be called R -stable if, and only if, $x \tau y$ implies $(\alpha x) \tau (\alpha y)$ for every $x, y \in S$ and every $\alpha \in R$. We can define a mapping $R \times (S/\tau) \rightarrow S/\tau$, $(\alpha, \bar{x}) \rightarrow \alpha \bar{x} = \overline{\alpha x}$. S/τ will then be an orthodox band of left R -modules.

Let S and T be orthodox bands of left R -modules. Mapping $\phi: S \rightarrow T$ will be called R -linear if, and only if,

$$(i) \quad \phi(xy) = (\phi x)(\phi y) \quad \text{for every } x, y \in S$$

$$(ii) \quad \phi(\alpha x) = \alpha \phi(x) \quad \text{for every } x \in S \text{ and every } \alpha \in R.$$

$\phi(S)$ will then be an orthodox band of left R -modules.

Subset A of S will be called R -stable if, and only if, $\alpha x \in A$ for every $x \in A$ and every $\alpha \in R$. If ϕ is an R -linear mapping of S into T , $\phi(S)$ will be an R -stable subsemigroup of T , and the kernel of ϕ will be an R -stable subsemigroup of S . Any R -stable subsemigroup of an orthodox band of left R -modules must of course be an orthodox band of left R -modules. If τ is an R -stable congruence on S , the union of all τ -classes containing an idempotent will be an R -stable subsemigroup of S .

Mapping $\phi: S \rightarrow T$ will be R -linear if, and only if, $\phi^{-1} \phi$ is an R -stable congruence on S . Equivalence relation τ on S is an R -stable congruence if, and only if, τ^h is an R -linear mapping.

Mapping $\phi: S \rightarrow E_S$, $x \rightarrow 0x$ is an R -linear mapping of S onto the band consisting of all idempotents of S ; $\phi^{-1} \phi$ is then the R -stable congruence $\mathcal{K}$.

Let S be the spined product of semilattice of commutative groups Q and band E . We shall use the same notations as in 3. Q is the greatest inverse semigroup homomorphic image of S , and the mapping $\Delta: S \rightarrow Q$, $(x_\kappa, e_\kappa) \rightarrow x_\kappa$ is a homomorphism of S onto Q . We shall put $\Delta^{-1} \Delta = \sigma$. This congruence σ is the minimal inverse semigroup congruence on S , and we will show that σ is R -stable. Let G be the greatest group homomorphic image of Q , and $\Gamma: Q \rightarrow G$, $x_\kappa \rightarrow \tilde{x}_\kappa$ be a homomorphism of Q onto G , $\Gamma^{-1} \Gamma$ being the minimal group congruence on Q . If x_λ and y_μ are any elements of Q , then $x_\lambda \Gamma^{-1} \Gamma y_\mu$ if, and only if, there exists a $\kappa \in Y$, $\kappa \leq \lambda \wedge \mu$, such that $x_\lambda^{-1} \kappa = y_\mu^{-1} \kappa$. We shall

put $(\Gamma\Delta)^{-1}(\Gamma\Delta) = \rho$; this congruence ρ is the minimal group congruence on S , and we will show that ρ is R -stable.

6. THEOREM 3. - The minimal inverse semigroup congruence on an orthodox band of left R -modules is R -stable.

Proof. - Let x_n be any element of Q , and let us take any two elements (x_n, e_n) and (x_n, f_n) in $\Delta^{-1} \Delta x$. Let α be any element of R . Since $\mathcal{K}$ is an R -stable congruence on S , $\alpha(x_n, e_n)$ belongs to the $\mathcal{K}$ -class $G_n \times e_n$ of S containing (x_n, e_n) , hence,

$$\alpha(x_n, e_n) = (y_n, e_n) \text{ for some } y_n \in G_n.$$

Analogously,

$$\alpha(x_n, f_n) = (z_n, f_n) \text{ for some } z_n \in G_n.$$

Let $(1_n, g_n)$ be $\mathcal{L}$ -related with $(1_n, e_n)$ and $\mathcal{R}$ -related with $(1_n, f_n)$, and let $(1_n, h_n)$ be $\mathcal{R}$ -related with $(1_n, e_n)$ and $\mathcal{L}$ -related with $(1_n, f_n)$. Since, by the restriction of $R \times S \rightarrow S$ to $R \times (G_n \times g_n)$, and $R \times (G_n \times h_n)$ respectively, $G_n \times g_n$ and $G_n \times h_n$ become left R -modules, we must have

$$\alpha(1_n, g_n) = (1_n, g_n) \text{ and } \alpha(1_n, h_n) = (1_n, h_n).$$

Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (z_n, e_n) &= (1_n, h_n)(z_n, f_n)(1_n, g_n) \\ &= (\alpha(1_n, h_n))(\alpha(x_n, f_n))(\alpha(1_n, g_n)) \\ &= \alpha((1_n, h_n)(x_n, f_n)(1_n, g_n)) \\ &= \alpha(x_n, e_n) = (y_n, e_n), \end{aligned}$$

hence $z_n = y_n$, and $\Delta(\alpha(x_n, e_n)) = \Delta(\alpha(x_n, f_n))$.

7. COROLLARY 1. - By mapping $R \times Q \rightarrow Q$, $(\alpha, x_n) \rightarrow \alpha x_n = \Delta(\alpha \Delta^{-1} x_n)$, Q becomes a semilattice of left R -modules, and Δ an R -linear mapping of S onto Q .

8. COROLLARY 2. - Let Q be any semilattice of left R -modules, and Y the structure semilattice of Q , let E be a band with the same structure semilattice Y , let $\bigcup_{n \in Y} G_n$ and $\bigcup_{n \in Y} E_n$ be the semilattice decompositions of Q and E respectively, let S be the spined product $Q \times_Y E$ of Q and E over Y . By mapping $R \times S \rightarrow S$, $(\alpha, (x_n, e_n)) \rightarrow (\alpha x_n, e_n)$ for every $\alpha \in R$, and every $n \in Y$, $x_n \in G_n$, $e_n \in E_n$, S become an orthodox band of left R -modules. Conversely, any orthodox band of left R -modules can be so constructed.

9. COROLLARY 3. - Let S be an orthodox normal band of left R -modules, and let $S = \bigcup_{n \in Y} S_n$ be the semilattice decomposition of S . For any $\lambda, \mu \in Y$, $\lambda \geq \mu$, the structure homomorphism $\psi_{\lambda, \mu}$ is an R -linear mapping of orthodox rectangular band of left R -modules S_λ into orthodox rectangular band of left R -modules S_μ .

Proof. - In a semilattice of left R -modules the structure homomorphisms are R -linear [6]. The theorem now follows from corollary 2 and from a result about normal bands [10].

10. Remark.

Structure theorems for semilattices of left R -modules [6], together with corollary 2 yield structure theorems for orthodox bands of left R -modules.

11. THEOREM 4. - The minimal group congruence on an orthodox band of left R -modules is R -stable.

Proof. - Let $\tilde{x}_\lambda$ be any element of G , the greatest group homomorphic image of orthodox band of left R -modules S . Let us take any two elements x_λ and y_μ in $\Gamma^{-1} \tilde{x}_\lambda$. There exists a $\kappa \in Y$, $\kappa \leq \lambda \wedge \mu$, such that $1_\kappa x_\lambda = 1_\kappa y_\mu$. Let α be any element of R . From

$$(\alpha x_\lambda) 1_\kappa = (\alpha x_\lambda)(\alpha 1_\kappa) = \alpha(x_\lambda 1_\kappa) = \alpha(y_\mu 1_\kappa) = (\alpha y_\mu)(\alpha y_\kappa) = (\alpha 1_\mu) 1_\kappa,$$

and $\alpha x_\lambda \in G_\lambda$, $\alpha y_\mu \in G_\mu$, we conclude that $\alpha y_\mu \in \Gamma^{-1} \Gamma(\alpha x_\lambda)$, and thus $\tilde{\alpha x}_\lambda = \tilde{\alpha y}_\mu$. This implies that the minimal group congruence $\Gamma^{-1} \Gamma$ on Q must be R -stable. Consequently, the minimal group congruence $(\Gamma\Delta)^{-1} \Gamma\Delta = \rho$ on S must be R -stable.

12. COROLLARY 4. - By mapping $R \times G \rightarrow G$, $(\alpha, \tilde{x}_\kappa) \rightarrow \tilde{\alpha x}_\kappa = \tilde{\alpha x}_\kappa$, G becomes a left R -module, and the mapping $\Gamma\Delta$ an R -linear mapping of S onto G .

13. Definitions.

An orthodox band of right R -modules S can be defined in an analogous way as an orthodox band of left R -modules. Condition (iii) of 1 must then be replaced by (iii)'. $(\alpha \circ \beta)x = \beta(\alpha x)$ for every $\alpha, \beta \in R$ and every $x \in S$. It will be more convenient to denote mapping $R \times S \rightarrow S$, $(\alpha, x) \rightarrow x\alpha$. (iii)', then, becomes

$$(iii)' \quad x(\alpha \circ \beta) = (x\alpha)\beta \text{ for every } \alpha, \beta \in R \text{ and every } x \in S.$$

If S is at the same time orthodox band of left R -modules, and orthodox band of right R -modules, then we shall say that S is an orthodox band of R -bimodules.

Let $R^\infty = R \cup \{\infty\}$, and define addition in R^∞ as follows. For any $\alpha, \beta \in R$, we put $\alpha + \beta = \gamma$ in R^∞ if, and only if, $\alpha + \beta = \gamma$ in R , and

$$\alpha + \infty = \infty + \alpha = \infty.$$

R^∞ will be a group with "zero" ∞ . We next define mapping $R \times R^\infty \rightarrow R^\infty$ by

$$(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \alpha\beta = \gamma \text{ if, and only if, } \alpha \circ \beta = \gamma \text{ in } R,$$

and

$$(\alpha, \infty) \rightarrow \alpha^\infty = \infty.$$

We also define mapping $R \times R^\infty \rightarrow R^\infty$ by

$$(\alpha, \beta) \longrightarrow \beta\alpha = \gamma \text{ if, and only if, } \beta \circ \alpha = \gamma \text{ in } R,$$

and

$$(\alpha, \infty) \longrightarrow \infty\alpha = \infty.$$

By these two mappings R^∞ becomes a semilattice of R -bimodules, the structure semilattice being the two element semilattice. We shall use R^∞ later in this paper.

The next theorem generalizes a result of [9].

14. THEOREM 5. - Let S be an orthodox band of left R -modules, and T an orthodox band of right R -modules. Let $\mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ be the set of all partial mapping of S into T . Define a multiplication in $\mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ as follows: for every $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ $\text{dom } \Phi\Psi = \text{dom } \Phi \cap \text{dom } \Psi$, and for every $x \in \text{dom } \Phi\Psi$ we put $\Phi\Psi(x) = (\Phi x)(\Psi x)$. Define mapping $R \times \mathfrak{S}_{S,T} \longrightarrow \mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$, $(\alpha, \varphi) \longrightarrow \varphi\alpha$ by $\text{dom}(\varphi\alpha) = \text{dom } \varphi$ and $(\varphi\alpha)x = (\varphi x)\alpha$, for every $x \in \text{dom } \varphi$. $\mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ will then be an orthodox band of right R -modules if, and only if, T is a semilattice of right R -modules.

Proof. - For any $\Phi, \Psi \in \mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ and any $\alpha \in R$ we have

$$\text{dom}(\Phi\Psi)\alpha = \text{dom } \Phi\Psi = \text{dom } \Phi \cap \text{dom } \Psi = \text{dom } \Phi\alpha \cap \text{dom } \Psi\alpha = \text{dom}(\Phi\alpha)(\Psi\alpha),$$

and for any $x \in \text{dom}(\Phi\Psi)\alpha$ we have

$$((\Phi\Psi)\alpha)x = ((\Phi\Psi)x)\alpha = ((\Phi x)(\Psi x))\alpha = ((\Phi x)\alpha)((\Psi x)\alpha) = ((\Phi\alpha)x)((\Psi\alpha)x) = ((\Phi\alpha)(\Psi\alpha))x,$$

hence $(\Phi\Psi)\alpha = (\Phi\alpha)(\Psi\alpha)$. For any $\Phi \in \mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ and any $\alpha, \beta \in R$ we have

$$\text{dom } \Phi(\alpha + \beta) = \text{dom } \Phi = \text{dom } \Phi\alpha \cap \text{dom } \Phi\beta = \text{dom}(\Phi\alpha)(\Phi\beta),$$

and, for any $x \in \text{dom } \Phi(\alpha + \beta)$ we have

$$(\Phi(\alpha + \beta))x = (\Phi x)(\alpha + \beta) = ((\Phi x)\alpha)((\Phi x)\beta) = ((\Phi\alpha)x)((\Phi\beta)x) = (\Phi\alpha)(\Phi\beta)x,$$

hence $\Phi(\alpha + \beta) = (\Phi\alpha)(\Phi\beta)$. Furthermore,

$$\text{dom } \Phi(\alpha \circ \beta) = \text{dom } \Phi = \text{dom } \Phi\alpha = \text{dom}(\Phi\alpha)\beta,$$

and for any $x \in \text{dom } \Phi(\alpha \circ \beta)$ we have

$$(\Phi(\alpha \circ \beta))x = (\Phi x)(\alpha \circ \beta) = ((\Phi x)\alpha)\beta = ((\Phi\alpha)x)\beta = ((\Phi\alpha)\beta)x,$$

hence $\Phi(\alpha \circ \beta) = (\Phi\alpha)\beta$. Finally, $\text{dom } \Phi 1 = \text{dom } \Phi$, and for any $x \in \text{dom } \Phi 1$ we have

$$(\Phi 1)x = (\Phi x)1 = \Phi x,$$

hence $\Phi 1 = \Phi$. We conclude that $\mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ is an orthodox band of right R -modules.

From the definition of the multiplication in $\mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ follows that $\mathfrak{S}_{S,T}$ is commutative if, and only if, T is commutative. From this, follows the last part of the theorem.

15. THEOREM 6. - Let S be an orthodox band of left R -modules, S' the set of R -linear mappings of S into R , and S'' the set of R -linear mapping of S into R^∞ . Then S' is an R -stable subsemigroup of $\mathfrak{S}_{S,R}$ and S'' is an R -stable subsemigroup of $\mathfrak{S}_{S,R^\infty}$.

Proof. - We show that S^* is an R -stable subsemigroup of $\mathfrak{S}_{S, R^\infty}$. The proof of the rest is quite the same. Let x^* and y^* be any elements of S^* . Since R^∞ is a semilattice of commutative groups, x^*y^* must be a homomorphism of S into R^∞ . For any $x \in S$ and any $x^* \in S^*$ we shall from now put $x^*(x) = \langle x, x^* \rangle$. For any $x \in S$, any $\alpha \in R$ and any $x^*, y^* \in S^*$ we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha x, x^* y^* \rangle &= \langle \alpha x, x^* \rangle + \langle \alpha x, y^* \rangle \\ &= \alpha \langle x, x^* \rangle + \alpha \langle x, y^* \rangle \\ &= \alpha (\langle x, x^* \rangle + \langle x, y^* \rangle) \\ &= \alpha \langle x, x^* y^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that for any $x^*, y^* \in S^*$, $x^* y^*$ must be an R -linear mapping of S into R^∞ , hence $x^* y^* \in S^*$. S^* is a subsemigroup of $\mathfrak{S}_{S, R^\infty}$.

For any $x, y \in S$, any $x^* \in S^*$ and any $\alpha \in R$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle xy, x^* \alpha \rangle &= \langle xy, x^* \rangle \alpha \\ &= (\langle x, x^* \rangle + \langle y, x^* \rangle) \alpha \\ &= \langle x, x^* \rangle \alpha + \langle y, x^* \rangle \alpha \\ &= \langle x, x^* \alpha \rangle + \langle y, x^* \alpha \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

hence $x^* \alpha$ must be a homomorphism of S into R^∞ . For any $x \in S$, any $x^* \in S^*$ and any $\alpha, \beta \in R$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \beta x, x^* \alpha \rangle &= \langle \beta x, x^* \rangle \alpha \\ &= \beta \langle x, x^* \rangle \alpha \\ &= \beta \langle x, x^* \alpha \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that for any $x^* \in S^*$ and any $\alpha \in R$, $x^* \alpha$ must be an R -linear mapping of S into R^∞ . Consequently S^* must be an R -stable subsemigroup of $\mathfrak{S}_{S, R^\infty}$.

16. COROLLARY 5. - S^* is a semilattice of right R -modules. The structure semilattice of S^* is isomorphic with the semilattice of prime ideals of S . The mapping $1^*: S \rightarrow R^\infty$, $x \rightarrow 0$ is the identity of S^* and the mapping $0^*: S \rightarrow R^\infty$, $x \rightarrow \infty$ is the zero of S^* .

Proof. - R^∞ is a semilattice of right R -modules, hence $\mathfrak{S}_{S, R^\infty}$ is a semilattice of right R -modules. Since S^* is R -stable in $\mathfrak{S}_{S, R^\infty}$, S^* must be a semilattice of right R -modules too.

Let e^* be any idempotent of S^* , then

$$V_{e^*} = \{x \in S ; \langle x, e^* \rangle = 0\}$$

is a prime ideal of S . For any $x \in S \setminus V_{e^*}$

$$\langle x, e^* \rangle \in R \text{ and } \langle x, e^* \rangle = \langle x, e^{*2} \rangle = \langle x, e^* \rangle + \langle x, e^* \rangle,$$

hence $\langle x, e^* \rangle = 0$. Conversely, let P be any prime ideal of S , then we can define $e_P^* \in S^*$ by $\langle x, e_P^* \rangle = \infty$ for all $x \in P$, and $\langle x, e_P^* \rangle = 0$ for all $x \in S \setminus P$. Furthermore, if e^* and f^* are any two idempotents of S^* , we must have

$V_{e^*f^*} = V_{e^*} \cup V_{f^*}$. Consequently, the semilattice E_{S^*} consisting of the idempotents of S^* is isomorphic with the $\cup$ -semilattice of all prime ideals of S . Since E_{S^*} is isomorphic with the structure semilattice of S^* , the result stated in the corollary follows.

17. COROLLARY 6. - S' is a right R -module which is an R -stable subgroup of S^* : S' is the maximal submodule of S^* containing the identity 1^* of S^* .

Proof. - All elements of S' are R -linear mappings of S into R , hence, they can be considered as R -linear mappings of S into R^∞ , and consequently $S' \subseteq S^*$. Since S' is R -stable in $\mathfrak{F}_{S,R}$, and since clearly $\mathfrak{F}_{S,R}$ is R -stable in $\mathfrak{F}_{S,R^\infty}$, S' must be R -stable in $\mathfrak{F}_{S,R^\infty}$; from this we imply that S' is R -stable in S^* .

It must be evident that $1^* : S \rightarrow R^\infty, x \rightarrow 0$ is the identity of S' . Let x^* be any element of S' , then $x^*(-1) \in S'$, and for any $x \in S$ we have

$$\langle x, x^*(x^*(-1)) \rangle = \langle x, x^* \rangle + \langle x, x^*(-1) \rangle = \langle x, x^* \rangle + \langle x, x^* \rangle(-1) = 0$$

and analogously

$$\langle x, (x^*(-1))x^* \rangle = 0,$$

hence $x^*(x^*(-1)) = (x^*(-1))x^* = 1^*$. This shows that x^* and $x^*(-1)$ are mutually inverse elements of commutative group H_{1^*} , the maximal subgroup of S^* containing 1^* . For any element $y^* \in H_{1^*}$, we must have $V_{y^*} = \square$, hence any element $y^* \in H_{1^*}$ belongs to S' . We can conclude that $H_{1^*} = S'$.

18. THEOREM 7. - Let S be an orthodox band of left R -modules and τ any R -stable congruence on S . The mapping $\phi : (S/\tau)^* \rightarrow S^*, \bar{x}^* \rightarrow \phi\bar{x}^*$ defined by $\langle x, \phi\bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle$ for every $x \in S$ is an R -isomorphism of $(S/\tau)^*$ into S^* . Whenever $\nu_S \subseteq \tau \subseteq \sigma$, σ being the minimal inverse semigroup congruence on S , this mapping ϕ is a surjective R -isomorphism of $(S/\tau)^*$ onto S^* .

Proof. - Let us suppose that $\bar{x}^*, \bar{y}^*$ are any elements of $(S/\tau)^*$, and x any element of S . We then have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, \phi(\bar{x}^* \bar{y}^*) \rangle &= \langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \bar{y}^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle + \langle \tau^h x, \bar{y}^* \rangle \\ &= \langle x, \phi\bar{x}^* \rangle + \langle x, \phi\bar{y}^* \rangle \\ &= \langle x, (\phi\bar{x}^*)(\phi\bar{y}^*) \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

hence $\phi(\bar{x}^* \bar{y}^*) = (\phi\bar{x}^*)(\phi\bar{y}^*)$. Let us suppose that $\bar{x}^*$ is any element of $(S/\tau)^*$, α any element of R and x any element of S , then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, \phi(\bar{x}^* \alpha) \rangle &= \langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \alpha \rangle \\ &= \langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle \alpha \\ &= \langle x, \phi\bar{x}^* \rangle \alpha \\ &= \langle x, (\phi\bar{x}^*)\alpha \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

hence $\phi(\bar{x}^* \alpha) = (\phi\bar{x}^*)\alpha$. Since τ^h is an R -linear mapping of S onto S/τ ,

$\phi \bar{x}^* \in S^*$ for any $\bar{x}^* \in (S/\tau)^*$. We conclude that ϕ is an R -linear mapping of $(S/\tau)^*$ into S^* . Let us now suppose that $\bar{x}^*, \bar{y}^* \in (S/\tau)^*$, and $\phi \bar{x}^* = \phi \bar{y}^*$. If for some $\bar{x} \in S/\tau$ $\langle \bar{x}, \bar{x}^* \rangle \neq \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y}^* \rangle$, then for any $x \in (\tau^h)^{-1} \bar{x}$ we should have

$$\langle x, \phi \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle \bar{x}, \bar{x}^* \rangle \neq \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y}^* \rangle = \langle \tau^h x, \bar{y}^* \rangle = \langle x, \phi \bar{y}^* \rangle,$$

and this is impossible. We conclude that $\phi \bar{x}^* = \phi \bar{y}^*$ implies $\bar{x}^* = \bar{y}^*$, hence ϕ is an isomorphism of $(S/\tau)^*$ into S^* .

It will be sufficient to show that the mapping $\phi: (S/\sigma)^* \rightarrow S^*$, $x^* \rightarrow \phi \bar{x}^*$ defined by $\langle x, \phi \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle \sigma^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle$ for every $x \in S$, will be an R -isomorphism of $(S/\sigma)^*$ onto S^* . Let x^* be any element of S^* , and (x_n, e_n) and (x_n, f_n) any two σ -related elements of S . Since (x_n, e_n) and (x_n, f_n) are $\mathcal{O}$ -related in S , they generate a same principal ideal of S , and thus $\langle (x_n, e_n), x^* \rangle = \infty$ if, and only if, $\langle (x_n, f_n), x^* \rangle = \infty$. Let us suppose that (x_n, e_n) and (x_n, f_n) both belong to $S \setminus V_{x^*}$. Let $(1_n, g_n)$ be $\mathcal{E}$ -related with (x_n, e_n) and R -related with $(1_n, f_n)$, and $(1_n, h_n)$ R -related with (x_n, e_n) and $\mathcal{E}$ -related with $(1_n, f_n)$; $(1_n, g_n)$ and $(1_n, h_n)$ are both $\mathcal{O}$ -related with (x_n, e_n) , and (x_n, f_n) . Hence $(1_n, g_n), (1_n, h_n) \in S \setminus V_{x^*}$, since these two elements are idempotents of S , and since x^* is an homomorphism of $S \setminus V_{x^*}$ into R , we have

$$\langle (1_n, g_n), x^* \rangle = \langle (1_n, h_n), x^* \rangle = 0.$$

From this follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (x_n, e_n), x^* \rangle &= \langle (1_n, h_n)(x_n, f_n)(1_n, g_n), x^* \rangle \\ &= \langle (1_n, h_n), x^* \rangle + \langle (x_n, f_n), x^* \rangle + \langle (1_n, g_n), x^* \rangle = \langle (x_n, f_n), x^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

In any case $(x^*)^{-1} x^* \supseteq \sigma$. Hence the mapping $\bar{x}^* \in (S/\sigma)^*$ defined by $\langle \sigma^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle x, x^* \rangle$ for all $x \in S$ is well-defined, and we shall have $\phi \bar{x}^* = x^*$. Thus, in this case ϕ must be surjective.

19. COROLLARY 7. - If S is an orthodox band of left R -modules, and Q the greatest inverse homomorphic image of S , then S^* and Q^* are R -isomorphic.

20. THEOREM 8. - Let S be an orthodox band of left R -modules and τ any R -stable congruence on S . The mapping $\Psi: (S/\tau)' \rightarrow S'$, $\bar{x}^* \rightarrow \Psi(\bar{x}^*)$ defined by $\langle x, \Psi \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle$ for any $x \in S$ is an R -isomorphism of $(S/\tau)'$ into S' . Whenever $\nu_S \subseteq \tau \subseteq \rho$, ρ being the minimal group congruence on S , this mapping Ψ is a surjective R -isomorphism of $(S/\tau)'$ onto S' .

Proof. - It is clear that mapping Ψ must be the restriction of mapping ϕ (of theorem 7) to maximal submodule $(S/\tau)'$ of $(S/\tau)^*$, hence Ψ is an R -isomorphism of $(S/\tau)'$ into S^* . Since for every $x \in S$, and every $\bar{x}^* \in (S/\tau)'$ we must have $\langle \tau^h x, \bar{x}^* \rangle \in R$. We conclude $\Psi \bar{x}^* \in S'$ for every $\bar{x}^* \in (S/\tau)'$, thus, Ψ is an R -isomorphism of $(S/\tau)'$ into S' .

It will be sufficient to show that the mapping $\Psi: (S/\rho)' \rightarrow S'$, $\bar{x}^* \rightarrow \Psi \bar{x}^*$

defined by $\langle x, \psi \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle \rho^{\frac{1}{2}} x, \bar{x}^* \rangle$ for every $x \in S$ will be an R -isomorphism of $(S/\rho)'$ onto S' . Let x^* be any element of S' . Since x^* must be a homomorphism of S into the additive group R , we have $(x^*)^{-1} x^* \supseteq \rho$. Hence the mapping $\bar{x}^* \in (S/\rho)'$ defined by $\langle \rho^{\frac{1}{2}} x, \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle x, x^* \rangle$ for every $x \in S$ is well-defined, and we shall have $\psi \bar{x}^* = x^*$. Thus, in this case ψ must be surjective.

21. COROLLARY 8. - If S is an orthodox band of left R -modules, Q the greatest inverse homomorphic image of S , and G the greatest group homomorphic image of S , then S' and Q' are both R -isomorphic with right R -module G' which is the dual of left R -module G .

22. THEOREM 9. - Let S be an orthodox band of left R -modules, and $S = \bigcup_{\mu \in Y} S_{\mu} = \bigcup_{\mu \in Y} G_{\mu} \times E_{\mu}$ its semilattice decomposition. For any $\lambda \in Y$, mapping $1_{\lambda}^* : S \rightarrow R^{\infty}$ defined by $\langle x, 1_{\lambda}^* \rangle = 0$ if, and only if, $x \in \bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu}$, and $\langle x, 1_{\lambda}^* \rangle = \infty$ otherwise, is an idempotent of S^* . The maximal submodule $H_{1_{\lambda}^*}$ of S^* containing 1_{λ}^* is R -isomorphic with $(\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu})'$ and with right R -module G'_{λ} , the dual of left R -module G_{λ} .

Proof. - For any $\lambda \in Y$, $\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu}$ is an R -stable subsemigroup of S , and G_{λ} will be the greatest group homomorphic image of $\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu}$. From corollary 8 follows that $(\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu})'$ and G'_{λ} are R -isomorphic right R -modules. It is easy to show that $S \setminus (\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu})$ is a prime ideal of S . From results in the proof of corollary 5 then follows that 1_{λ}^* must be an idempotent of S^* . We remark that for any $x^* \in S^*$, $s^* \in H_{1_{\lambda}^*}$ if, and only if,

$$V_{x^*} = \{x \in S ; \langle x, x^* \rangle = \infty\} = S \setminus (\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu}).$$

Hence the mapping $H_{1_{\lambda}^*} \rightarrow (\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu})'$, $x^* \rightarrow x^* \in \bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu}$ is an R -isomorphism of $H_{1_{\lambda}^*}$ onto $(\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu})'$.

23. COROLLARY 9. - We use the same notations as in 22. Let Q be the greatest inverse semigroup homomorphic image of S and $Q = \bigcup_{\mu \in Y} G_{\mu}$ its semilattice decomposition. For any $\lambda, \mu \in Y$, $\lambda \geq \mu$, let ${}^t\bar{\phi}_{\lambda, \mu}$ be the structure homomorphism of Q , and $\bar{\phi}_{\lambda, \mu}$ its transpose. Then $1_{\mu}^* \geq 1_{\lambda}^*$ in S^* . Let $\bar{\phi}_{\mu, \lambda}^* : H_{1_{\mu}^*} \rightarrow H_{1_{\lambda}^*}$ be the structure homomorphism of S^* . For any $\lambda \in Y$ the mapping $\psi_{\lambda} : H_{1_{\lambda}^*} \rightarrow G'_{\lambda}$, $x^* \rightarrow \psi_{\lambda} x^*$, defined by

$$\langle (x_{\mu}, e_{\mu}), x^* \rangle = \langle \bar{\phi}_{\mu, \lambda} x_{\mu}, \psi_{\lambda} x^* \rangle \text{ for all } (x_{\mu}, e_{\mu}) \in \bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_{\mu},$$

is an R -isomorphism of $H_{1_{\lambda}^*}$ onto G'_{λ} , and the following diagram is commutative.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \psi_{\mu} & & \\ & & \downarrow & & \\ & & H_{1_{\mu}^*} & \xrightarrow{\quad \bar{\phi}_{\mu, \lambda}^* \quad} & G'_{\mu} \\ \bar{\phi}_{\mu, \lambda}^* \rightarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & H_{1_{\lambda}^*} & \xrightarrow{\quad \bar{\phi}_{\lambda, \mu} \quad} & G'_{\lambda} \\ & & & & \leftarrow {}^t\bar{\phi}_{\lambda, \mu} \end{array}$$

Proof. - The mapping $\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_\mu \longrightarrow G_\lambda$, $(x_\mu, e_\mu) \longrightarrow \phi_{\mu, \lambda} x_\mu$ is an homomorphism of $\bigcup_{\mu \geq \lambda} S_\mu$ onto its greatest group homomorphic image G_λ . ψ_λ must then be an R-isomorphism of $H_{1\lambda}^*$ onto G_λ' by theorem 8.

Let x^* be any element of $H_{1\mu}^*$, and x_λ any element of G_λ . We proceed to show that

$$\langle x_\lambda, {}^t\phi_{\lambda, \mu} \psi_\mu x^* \rangle = \langle x_\lambda, \psi_\lambda \phi_{\mu, \lambda}^* x^* \rangle.$$

Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x_\lambda, {}^t\phi_{\lambda, \mu} \psi_\mu x^* \rangle &= \langle \phi_{\lambda, \mu} x_\lambda, \psi_\mu x^* \rangle \\ &= \langle x_\lambda 1_\mu, \psi_\mu x^* \rangle \\ &= \langle x_\mu, e_\mu \rangle, x^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{for all } \mu \geq \lambda, \quad \phi_{\mu, \lambda} x_\mu = x_\lambda 1_\mu, \quad e_\mu \in E_\mu \\ &= \langle x_\lambda, e_\lambda \rangle, x^* \text{ for all } e_\lambda \in E_\lambda, \\ &= \langle x_\lambda, e_\lambda \rangle, x^* 1_\lambda^* \text{ for all } e_\lambda \in E_\lambda \\ &= \langle (x_\lambda, e_\lambda), \phi_{\mu, \lambda}^* x^* \rangle \text{ for all } e_\lambda \in E_\lambda \\ &= \langle x_\lambda, \psi_\lambda \phi_{\mu, \lambda}^* x^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that ${}^t\phi_{\lambda, \mu} \psi_\mu = \psi_\lambda \phi_{\mu, \lambda}^*$.

24. COROLLARY 10. - We use the same notations as in 22 and 23. Let the structure semilattice of S be a lattice. Consider $V = \bigcup_{\mu \in Y} G_\mu'$, and define multiplication in V by the following. For any $x', y' \in V$, $x' \in G_\lambda'$, $y' \in G_\mu'$, put

$$x'y' = ({}^t\phi_{\lambda \vee \mu, \lambda} x')({}^t\phi_{\lambda \vee \mu, \mu} y').$$

Define mapping $R \times V \longrightarrow V$, $(\alpha, x') \longrightarrow x'\alpha$ in the usual way. Then V is a semilattice of right R-modules, and there exists an R-isomorphism of V into S^* . If Y satisfies the minimal condition, V must be R-isomorphic with S^* .

25. Remarks.

Corollaries 9 and 10 show that S^* could well be named the dual of S. If Y is a lattice, the structure semilattice of V is the V-semilattice Y. Results of [6] make the connections between structure theorems for S and structure theorems for V more explicit.

Theorem 7 is quite analogous with a result in [5] (§ 5) about the character semigroup of a commutative semigroup, and theorem 9, corollary 9 and corollary 10 are in a certain way analogous with results of [7] and [8] (see also [2], chapter 5).

Next theorem generalizes the concept of the transpose of an R-linear mapping.

26. THEOREM 10. - Let S and T be orthodox bands of left R-modules, and $\Theta: S \longrightarrow T$ an R-linear mapping. The mapping ${}^T\Theta: T^* \longrightarrow S^*$, $t^* \longrightarrow {}^T\Theta t^*$, defined by $\langle x, {}^T\Theta t^* \rangle = \langle \Theta x, t^* \rangle$ for all $x \in S$, must be an R-linear mapping of T^* into S^* , and ${}^T\Theta(T^*)$ is embeddable in $(S/\Theta^{-1}\Theta)^* \cong (\Theta S)^*$.

Proof. - It must be clear that for any $t^* \in T^*$, we must have ${}^T\Theta t^* \in S^*$, since

Θ is R -linear. It is not difficult either to show that ${}^T\Theta$ is R -linear.

Let t^* and v^* be any elements of T^* , then $t^*|\Theta S$ and $v^*|\Theta S$ are both elements of $(\Theta S)^*$, since ΘS is an R -stable subsemigroup of T . From the definition of ${}^T\Theta$ we have that ${}^T\Theta t^* = {}^T\Theta v^*$ if, and only if, $v^*|\Theta S = t^*|\Theta S$. This implies that the mapping ${}^T\Theta(T^*) \rightarrow (\Theta S)^*$, ${}^T\Theta t^* \rightarrow t^*|\Theta S$ is an R -isomorphism of ${}^T\Theta(T^*)$ into $(\Theta S)^*$.

27. COROLLARY 11. - Let S , T and Θ be as in theorem 10. The mapping ${}^t\Theta : T' \rightarrow S'$, $t^* \rightarrow {}^t\Theta t^*$, defined by $\langle x, {}^t\Theta t^* \rangle = \langle \Theta x, t^* \rangle$ for all $x \in S$, must be an R -linear mapping of T' into S' , and ${}^t\Theta(T')$ is embeddable in $(S/\Theta^{-1}\Theta)'$ $\cong (\Theta S)'$.

28. COROLLARY 12. - We use the same notations as in 26 and 27. Let ρ_S and ρ_T be the minimal group congruences on S and T respectively. Let $\psi_S : (S/\rho_S)' \rightarrow S'$, $\bar{x}^* \rightarrow \psi_S \bar{x}^*$, be the R -isomorphism defined by $\langle x, \psi_S \bar{x}^* \rangle = \langle \rho_S^q x, \bar{x}^* \rangle$ for all $x \in S$, and $\psi_T : (T/\rho_T)' \rightarrow T'$, $\bar{t}^* \rightarrow \psi_T \bar{t}^*$, defined by

$$\langle t, \psi_T \bar{t}^* \rangle = \langle \rho_T^h t, \bar{t}^* \rangle \text{ for all } t \in S.$$

Then there exists an R -linear mapping $\Lambda : (S/\rho_S)' \rightarrow (T/\rho_T)'$ such that the following diagrams are commutative :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S & \xrightarrow{\Theta} & T \\ \rho_S^h \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho_T^h \\ S/\rho_S & \xrightarrow{\Lambda} & T/\rho_T \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} S' & \xleftarrow{{}^t\Theta} & T' \\ \psi_S \uparrow & & \uparrow \psi_T \\ (S/\rho_S)' & \xleftarrow{{}^t\Lambda} & (T/\rho_T)' \end{array}$$

Proof. - Since $\rho_T^h \Theta$ is an R -linear mapping of S into left R -module T/ρ_T , $(\rho_T^h \Theta)^{-1}(\rho_T^h \Theta)$ must be an R -stable group congruence on S , and, since ρ_S is the minimal group congruence on S , we must have $\rho_S \subseteq (\rho_T^h \Theta)^{-1}(\rho_T^h \Theta)$. This implies that Λ is a well-defined R -linear mapping of S/ρ_S into T/ρ_T . Λ is then an R -linear mapping of $(T/\rho_T)'$ into $(S/\rho_S)'$ which is defined by

$$\langle \rho_S^h x, {}^t\Lambda \bar{t}^* \rangle = \langle \Lambda \rho_S^h x, \bar{t}^* \rangle \text{ for all } x \in S, \text{ and all } \bar{t}^* \in (T/\rho_T)'.$$

But since $\Lambda \rho_S^h = \rho_T^h \Theta$, we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \rho_S^h x, {}^t\Lambda \bar{t}^* \rangle &= \langle \rho_T^h \Theta x, \bar{t}^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \Theta x, \psi_T \bar{t}^* \rangle \\ &= \langle x, ({}^t\Theta \psi_T) \bar{t}^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \rho_S^h x, (\psi_S^{-1} {}^t\Theta \psi_T) \bar{t}^* \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in S$ and all $\bar{t}^* \in (T/\rho_T)'$, hence ${}^t\Lambda = \psi_S^{-1} {}^t\Theta \psi_T$.

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