

## THE JOIN OF THE VARIETIES OLBG AND ORBG\*

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**Abstract.** In this paper the varieties OLBG and ORBG are investigated. And the join of the varieties of OLBG and ORBG is described.

### 1. Introduction

Completely regular semigroups are semigroups that are unions of their subgroups. They may be regarded as universal algebras with an associative binary operation (multiplication) and a unary operation (inversion). As universal algebras, completely regular semigroups form a variety determined by the identities

$$x = xx^{-1}x, xx^{-1} = x^{-1}x, (x^{-1})^{-1} = x.$$

Let  $CR$  denote this variety and  $L_{CR}$  denote the lattice of subvarieties of  $CR$ .

In 1975, M. Petrich [1] showed that  $B \vee G = OBG$ , where  $B$  is the variety of bands,  $G$  is the variety of groups and  $OBG$  is the variety of orthodox bands of groups. In 1980, T.E. Hall and P.R. Jones [2] showed that  $B \vee CS = POBG$ , where  $CS$  is the variety of completely simple semigroups and  $POBG$  is the variety of pseudo-orthodox bands of groups. In 1985, N.R. Reilly [3] showed that  $O \vee CS = O^+ \cap PO$ , where  $O^+ = \{S \in CR : S/\mu \in O\}$ ,  $\mu$  is the maximum

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idempotent-separating congruence,  $O$  is the variety of orthodox completely regular semigroups. In this paper, we investigate the variety  $OLBG[ORBG]$  of orthodox completely regular semigroups on which Green's relation  $H$  is a left [right] congruence, In Theorem 3.4, the join of  $OLBG$  and  $ORBG$  is described.

We shall use the following notation.

$L^0$ : the largest congruence contained in  $L$ ;

$R^0$ : the largest congruence contained in  $R$ ;

$\mu$ : the maximum idempotent-separating congruence;

$\tau$ : the maximum idempotent pure congruence;

$I_s$ : the equality relation on a semigroup  $S$ ;

$[u_\alpha = v_\alpha]_{\alpha \in A}$ : the variety of completely regular semigroups determined by the identities  $u_\alpha = v_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in A$ ).

$LBG[RBG]$ : the variety of completely regular semigroups on which Green's relation  $H$  is a left [right] congruence.

Let  $a^0 = aa^{-1} = a^{-1}a$ . Then  $B = [x^2 = x]$ ,  $O = [(x^0y^0)^0 = x^0y^0]$ , and  $SLG = [x^0y = yx^0]$  is the variety of Clifford semigroups.

For undefined notation or terminology see [4].

## 2. OLBG

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $S \in CR$ . Then  $S \in O$  if and only if  $S/\tau \in SLG$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $S \in O$ ,  $v = \{(a, b) \in S \times S : V(a) = V(b)\}$ . Then  $S/v$  is an inverse semigroup (see [4]), hence  $S/v$  is a Clifford semigroup, i.e.  $S/v \in SLG$ . Obviously  $v$  is idempotent pure and thus  $v \subseteq \tau$ . Therefore  $S/\tau \in SLG$ .

Conversely, Let  $S/\tau \in SLG$ ,  $e, f \in E(S)$ . Then  $ef\tau \in E(S/\tau)$ . By Lallement's Lemma (see [4]), there exists  $g \in E(S)$  such that  $(ef, g) \in \tau$ . Since  $\tau$  is idempotent pure,  $ef \in E(S)$ . Therefore  $S$  is orthodox.

Obviously we have

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $S$  be a semigroup. Then  $\mu \subseteq L^0$ .*

Now we can prove the following theorem:

**Theorem 2.3.** *The following conditions on a completely regular semi-group  $S$  are equivalent.*

- (I)  $S \in OLBG$ .
- (II)  $S/L^0 \in B, S/\tau \in SLG$ .
- (III)  $S/L^0 \in LBG, S/\tau \in SLG$ .
- (IV)  $S/\mu \in LBG, S/\tau \in SLG$ .
- (V)  $S$  satisfies the identities  $(xy)^0 = (xy^0)^0, (x^0y^0)^0 = x^0y^0$ .
- (VI)  $S$  satisfies the identity  $(x^0y)^0 = x^0y^0$ .

**Proof.** (I) implies (IV). It follows directly from Lemma 2.1.

(IV) implies (III). It follows directly from Lemma 2.2.

(III) implies (II). Let  $S/L^0 \in LBG$ . Let  $L_1^0$  be the largest congruence contained in the Green's  $L$ -relation on  $S/L^0$ ,  $H$  be the Green's  $H$ -relation on  $S/L^0$ . Then  $H$  is a left congruence and thus  $H \subseteq L_1^0$ . We may define a function from  $S$  to  $S/L^0/L_1^0$  by

$$\Phi : a \rightarrow \bar{a}L_1^0 \quad (a \in S)$$

where  $\bar{a} = aL^0$ . Then  $\Phi$  is a surjective homomorphism. Since  $H \subseteq L_1^0, S/L^0/L_1^0 \in B$ . Let  $\rho$  be the kernel of  $\Phi$ . Let  $(a, b) \in \rho$ , i.e.  $(\bar{a}, \bar{b}) \in L_1^0$ . Then there exists  $\bar{x} \in S/L^0$  such that  $\bar{a} = \bar{x}\bar{b}$ , i.e.  $(a, xb) \in L^0$ , and thus there exists  $y \in S$  such that  $a = yxb \in Sb$ . Similarly  $b \in Sa$ , hence  $aLb$ . So  $\rho \subseteq L$  and thus  $\rho \subseteq L^0$ . Therefore  $S/L^0 \in B$  since  $S/\rho \in B$ .

(II) implies (V). The hypothesis implies that  $yL^0y^0$ , hence  $xyL^0xy^0$ . Since  $xyRxy^0, xyHxy^0$ , i.e.  $(xy)^0 = (xy^0)^0$ .

Since  $S/\tau \in SLG, S \in O$  by Lemma 2.1, and thus  $(x^0y^0)^0 = x^0y^0$ .

(V) implies (VI). This is obvious.

(VI) implies (I). Let  $e, f \in E(S)$ , then  $ef = (ef)^0 \in E(S)$ , hence  $S \in O$ .

Let  $x, y, z \in S, xHy$ . Then  $(z^0x)^0 = z^0x^0 = z^0y^0 = (z^0y)^0$ . Hence  $zx = zz^0x = zz^0x(z^0x)^0 = zz^0x(z^0y)^0 = zz^0x(z^0y)^{-1}z^{-1}zy \in Szy$ . Similarly  $zy \in$

$Szx$  and thus  $zxLzy$ . Obviously  $zxRzy$  and thus  $zxHzy$ . Therefore  $H$  is a left congruence, as required.

In view of Theorem 2.3,  $OLBG$  is a variety and  $OLBG = [(x^0y)^0 = x^0y^0]$ . Dually  $ORBG = [(xy^0)^0 = x^0y^0]$ .

### 3. $OLBG \vee ORBG$

**Notation 3.1.** ([6]) Let  $V \in L_{CR}$ , define

$$V^{T1} = \{S \in CR : S/L^0 \in V\},$$

$$V^{Tr} = \{S \in CR : S/R^0 \in V\}.$$

**Lemma 3.2.** ([5, lemma 2.4] [6]) Let  $V \in L_{CR}$ , and  $V = [u_\alpha = v_\alpha]_{\alpha \in A}$ . Then

$$V^{Tr} = [(u_\alpha x)^0 = (v_\alpha x u_\alpha x)^0, (v_\alpha x)^0 = (u_\alpha x v_\alpha x)^0]_{\alpha \in A},$$

$$V^{T1} = [(x u_\alpha)^0 = (x u_\alpha x v_\alpha)^0, (x v_\alpha)^0 = (x v_\alpha x u_\alpha)^0]_{\alpha \in A}.$$

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $S$  be a completely regular semigroup. Then  $\tau \cap H = Is$ .

**Proof.** Let  $a, b \in He$ ,  $e \in E(S)$ , and  $(a, b) \in \tau$ . Then  $(aa^{-1}, ba^{-1}) \in \tau$ . Since  $\tau$  is idempotent pure,  $ba^{-1} \in E(S)$ . Since  $a, b \in He$ ,  $ba^{-1} \in He$ , and thus  $ba^{-1} = e$ . Therefore  $a = b$ , as required.

**Theorem 3.4.** The following conditions on a completely regular semigroup  $S$  are equivalent.

- (I)  $S \in OLBG \vee ORBG$ .
- (II)  $S$  is a subdirect product of a semigroup in  $OLBG$  and a semigroup in  $ORBG$ .
- (III)  $S \in O \cap LBG^{Tr} \cap RBG^{T1}$ .
- (IV)  $S/\tau \in SLG$ ,  $S/R^0 \in LBG$ ,  $S/L^0 \in RBG$ .

**Proof.** (I) implies (III). By implication (I) $\Rightarrow$ (II) of Theorem 2.3 and its dual, it is easily checked that  $OLBG \subseteq O \cap LBG^{Tr} \cap RBG^{T1}$ ,  $ORBG \subseteq$

$O \cap \text{OLBG}^{Tr} \cap \text{RBG}^{T1}$ . Therefore  $\text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG} \subseteq O \cap \text{OLBG}^{Tr} \cap \text{RBG}^{T1}$ , as required.

(III) implies (IV). This follows directly from Notation 3.1 and Lemma 2.1.

(IV) implies (II). By Lemma 3.3,  $\tau \cap R^0 \cap L^0 = I_S$ , and thus  $S$  is a subdirected product of  $S/\tau \cap R^0$  and  $S/L^0$ . Since  $S/\tau \cap R^0$  is a subdirect product of  $S/\tau$  and  $S/R^0$ ,  $S/\tau \cap R^0 \in \text{SLG} \vee \text{LBG} = \text{LBG}$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $S \in O$ , hence  $S/\tau \cap R^0 \in \text{OLBG}$ ,  $S/L^0 \in \text{ORBG}$ . Therefore  $S$  is a subdirect product of a semigroup in  $\text{OLBG}$  and a semigroup in  $\text{ORBG}$ , as required.

(II) implies (I). This is obvious.

#### 4. $V \cap (\text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG})$

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $V \in L_{CR}$ . Then*

$$V \cap (\text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG}) = (V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG}).$$

**Proof.** Obviously  $V \cap \text{OLBG} \subseteq V \cap (\text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG})$ ,  $V \cap \text{ORBG} \subseteq V \cap (\text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG})$ , and thus

$$(V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG}) \subseteq V \cap (\text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG}).$$

Conversely, let  $S \in V \cap (\text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG}) \subseteq O$ . Then by Theorem 3.4,  $S/\tau \in V \cap \text{SLG}$ ,  $S/R^0 \in V \cap \text{ORBG}$ . By Lemma 3.3,  $\tau \cap R^0 \cap L^0 = I_S$ , and thus  $S$  is a subdirect product of  $S/\tau, S/L^0$  and  $S/R^0$ , hence  $S \in (V \cap \text{SLG}) \vee (V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG}) = (V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG})$ . The required conclusion now follows.

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $V \in L_{CR}$ , and  $\text{SLG} \subseteq V$ . Then*

$$(V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG}) = O \cap (V \cap \text{OLBG})^{Tr} \cap (V \cap \text{ORBG})^{T1}.$$

**Proof.** By the implication (I) $\Rightarrow$ (II) of Theorem 2.3 and its dual, it is easily checked that  $V \cap \text{OLBG}$ ,  $V \cap \text{ORBG} \subseteq O \cap (V \cap \text{OLBG})^{Tr} \cap (V \cap \text{ORBG})^{T1}$ , and thus  $(V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG}) \subseteq O \cap (V \cap \text{OLBG})^{Tr} \cap (V \cap \text{ORBG})^{T1}$ .

Conversely, Let  $S \in O \cap (V \cap \text{OLBG})^{Tr} \cap (V \cap \text{ORBG})^{T1}$ . Then by Lemma 2.1 and Notation 3.1,  $S/\tau \in \text{SLG}$ ,  $S/R^0 \in V \cap \text{OLBG}$ ,  $S/L^0 \in V \cap \text{ORBG}$ . By Lemma 3.3,  $\tau \cap R^0 \cap L^0 = Is$ , and thus  $S$  is a subdirect product of  $S/\tau$ ,  $S/L^0$  and  $S/R^0$ , and thus  $S \in (V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG}) \vee \text{SLG} = (V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (V \cap \text{ORBG})$  since  $\text{SLG} \subseteq V$ , as required.

If  $\text{SLG} \subseteq V \subseteq \text{OLBG} \vee \text{ORBG}$ , then by Theorem 4.1 and Theorem 4.2,  $V = (V \cap \text{OLBG}) \vee (O \cap \text{ORBG}) = O \cap (V \cap \text{OLBG})^{Tr} \cap (V \cap \text{ORBG})^{T1}$ .

And if  $V \cap \text{OLBG} = [u_\alpha = v_\alpha]_{\alpha \in A}$ ,  $V \cap \text{ORBG} = [s_\beta = t_\beta]_{\beta \in B}$ , then by Lemma 3.2, the identity of  $V$  could be given.

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