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# On ordered $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups and their relation to lattice ordered semigroups

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Abstract: The concept of  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup has been introduced in Turk J Math 2020; 44 (5): 1835-1851 in which it has in which it has been shown that various results on  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups can be obtained directly as corollaries of more general results from the theory of *le*-semigroups (i.e. lattice ordered semigroups having a greatest element) or *poe*-semigroups. As a continuation of the paper mentioned above, in the present paper, the concept of ordered  $\Gamma$ hypersemigroups has been introduced, and their relation to lattice ordered semigroups is given. It has been shown that although the results on ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups cannot be obtained as corollaries to the corresponding results of *le* or *poe*-semigroups, still the main idea comes from the *le*-semigroups or *poe*-semigroups, and the proofs go along the lines of the *le* or *poe*-semigroups.

Key words: Lattice ordered semigroup, ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup, regular, intra-regular, left (right) regular

# 1. Introduction

As we have already seen in [4], many results on hypersemigroups do not need any proof as they can be obtained from results in the lattice ordered semigroup or *poe*-semigroup setting. Later in [5], the concept of  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup has been introduced and it has been shown that many results on  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups as well can be obtained from more general results on lattice ordered semigroups or *poe*-semigroups. It may be instructive to prove them directly just to show how an independent proof works, but this direct, independent proof will follow along the lines of *le* or *poe*-semigroup. It has been set, as a future work, in [5] the examination of what happened in case of an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. As a continuation of [5], in the present paper, the concept of an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup has been introduced, and the aim is to show that, although this is not exactly the case for ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups, the idea of having various results comes from *le* or *poe*-semigroups and direct proofs derived along the line of those in the *le* or *poe*-semigroups setting. In this respect, we introduce the concepts of regular, intra-regular, left (right) regular ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups as well, and we prove the results on ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that correspond to the results on lattice ordered semigroups in section 2 in [5]. Considering that every  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup with the order  $\leq := \{(a, b) \mid a = b\}$  is an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup, the results stated without proof in section 3 in [5], follow as application. For definitions, notations, and results not given in the present paper, we refer to [5].

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## 2. Main results

If M is a  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid and " $\leq$ " is an order relation on M, denote by " $\leq$ " the relation on the set of all nonempty subsets  $\mathcal{P}^*(M)$  of M defined by:  $A \leq B$  if for every  $a \in A$  there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $a \leq b$ . This is a transitive and reflexive relation on  $\mathcal{P}^*(M)$ ; that is a preorder on  $\mathcal{P}^*(M)$ .

**Definition 2.1** A  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid M is called ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid if there exists an order relation " $\leq$ " on M such that

$$a \leq b$$
 implies  $a\gamma c \leq b\gamma c$  and  $c\gamma a \leq c\gamma b$  for every  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and every  $c \in M$ .

**Lemma 2.2** If M is an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid,  $a \leq b$ ,  $c \leq d$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , then  $a\gamma c \leq b\gamma d$ .

**Proof** Let  $a \leq b$ ,  $c \leq d$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Since  $a \leq b$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , we have  $a\gamma c \leq b\gamma c$ . Since  $c \leq d$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , we have  $b\gamma c \leq b\gamma d$ . Since the relation " $\leq$ " is a transitive relation on  $\mathcal{P}^*(M)$ , we have  $a\gamma c \leq b\gamma d$ .

For a  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid M and a nonempty subset A of M, denote by (A] the subset of M defined by  $(A] = \{t \in M \mid t \leq a \text{ for some } a \in A\}$ , and we have the following:

- (1) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $(A] \subseteq (B]$ .
- (2) If A is a left (right) ideal of M, then (A] = A.
- (3) M = (M].
- (4) ((A]] = (A].
- (5)  $(A \cup B] = (A] \cup (B].$

(See, for example [3] -as the operation  $\Gamma$  does not play any role in them).

When is convenient and no confusion is possible, we identify the singleton  $\{a\}$  by the element a and write, for example,  $M\Gamma a$  instead of  $M\Gamma\{a\}$ ,  $a\Gamma a\Gamma M$  instead of  $\{a\}\Gamma M\Gamma\{a\}$ .

We will give the theorems on ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that correspond to lattice ordered semigroups in [5; Section 2] in the row appeared in [5]. So, we begin with the theorem on ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup that corresponds to [5; Theorem 2.2].

A natural extension of the concept of regular ordered semigroup [2] to regular ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup is given by the following definition.

**Definition 2.3** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is called regular if for every  $a \in M$  there exist  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that  $\{a\} \preceq (a\gamma x)\overline{\mu}\{a\}$ ; in other words, there exist  $x, t \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that

$$t \in (a\gamma x)\overline{\mu}\{a\}$$
 and  $a \leq t$ .

**Proposition 2.4** Let M be an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. The following are equivalent:

- (1) M is regular.
- (2) For any nonempty subset A of M, we have  $A \subseteq (A\Gamma M\Gamma A]$ .
- (3) For any  $a \in M$ , we have  $a \in (a\Gamma M\Gamma a]$ .

**Proof** (1)  $\implies$  (2). Let A be a nonempty subset of M and  $a \in A$ . Since M is regular, there exist  $x, t \in M$ and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that  $t \in (a\gamma x)\overline{\mu}\{a\}$  and  $a \leq t$ . Since  $a \in A$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $x \in M$ , by [5; Lemma 3.7(2)], we have  $a\gamma x \subseteq A\Gamma M$ . Since  $a\gamma x \subseteq A\Gamma M$  and  $\{a\} \subseteq A$ , by [5; Lemma 3.6],  $(a\gamma x)\overline{\mu}\{a\} \subseteq (A\Gamma M)\overline{\mu}\{a\}$ . By [5; Def. 3.3],  $(A\Gamma M)\overline{\mu}\{a\} \subseteq (A\Gamma M)\Gamma\{a\}$ . By [5; Lemma 3.8],  $(A\Gamma M)\Gamma\{a\} \subseteq (A\Gamma M)\Gamma A$ . Thus, we have  $a \leq t \in A\Gamma M\Gamma A$ and so  $a \in (A\Gamma M\Gamma A]$  and (2) holds. The implication  $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$  is obvious.

(3)  $\implies$  (1). Let  $a \in M$ . By hypothesis, we have  $a \in (a\Gamma M\Gamma a]$ , that is  $a \leq t$  for some  $t \in (a\Gamma M)\Gamma a$ . By [5; Lemma 3.7(1)],  $t \in u\mu a$  for some  $u \in a\Gamma M$ ,  $\mu \in \Gamma$  and  $u \in a\gamma x$  for some  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $x \in M$ . By [5; Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6],  $t \in u\mu a = \{u\}\overline{\mu}\{a\} \subseteq (a\gamma x)\overline{\mu}\{a\}$ . We have  $x, t \in M, \gamma, \mu \in \Gamma, t \in (a\gamma x)\overline{\mu}\{a\}$  and  $a \leq t$ , thus M is regular. 

**Definition 2.5** If  $(M, \Gamma, \leq)$  is an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid, a nonempty subset A of M is called a right (resp. left) ideal of M if it is a right (resp. left) ideal of the  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid  $(M,\Gamma)$  (that is, if  $A\Gamma M \subseteq A$  (resp.  $M\Gamma A \subseteq A$  )[5] and, in addition,

if 
$$a \in A$$
 and  $M \ni b \leq a$ , then  $b \in A$ ; that is if  $(A] = A$ .

For a nonempty subset A of M, denote by R(A), L(A) and I(A) the right ideal, left ideal, and ideal of M, respectively, generated by A. For  $A = \{a\}$ , we write R(a) instead of  $R(\{a\})$ ; similarly, we write L(a), I(a).

**Lemma 2.6** If M is an ordered hypergroupoid, then, for any nonempty subsets A, B of M, we have

 $(A]\Gamma(B] \subseteq (A\Gamma B].$ 

**Proof** Let  $x \in (A|\Gamma(B)]$ . By [5; Lemma 3.7(1)],  $x \in u\gamma v$  for some  $u \in (A]$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $v \in (B]$ . We have  $u \leq a$ for some  $a \in A$ ,  $v \leq b$  for some  $b \in B$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . By Lemma 2.2, we have  $u\gamma v \leq a\gamma b$ . Since  $x \in u\gamma v$ , there exists  $y \in a\gamma b$  such that  $x \leq y$ . Since  $x \leq y \in a\gamma b$ , we have  $x \in (a\gamma b]$ . Since  $a \in A$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $b \in B$ , by [5; Lemma 3.7(2)], we have  $a\gamma b \subseteq A\Gamma B$ . Then, we have  $(a\gamma b) \subseteq (A\Gamma B)$  and so  $x \in (A\Gamma B)$ . 

**Lemma 2.7** If M is an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup, then, for any nonempty subset A of M, we have

(1)  $R(A) = (A \cup A \Gamma M]$ . (2)  $L(A) = (A \cup M\Gamma A].$ (3)  $I(A) = (A \cup M\Gamma A \cup A\Gamma M \cup M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M].$ 

**Proof** (1) The set  $(A \cup A \Gamma M]$  is a right ideal of M containing A. In fact, we have

$$(A \cup A\Gamma M]\Gamma M = (A \cup A\Gamma M]\Gamma(M] \subseteq \left((A \cup A\Gamma M)\Gamma M\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.6)}$$
$$= \left((A\Gamma M \cup A\Gamma(M\Gamma M)\right] = (A\Gamma M]$$
$$\subseteq (A \cup A\Gamma M]$$

and  $((A\Gamma M)] = (A\Gamma M)$  as it holds for any  $\emptyset \neq X \subseteq M$ . If T is a right ideal of M such that  $T \supseteq A$ , then  $(A \cup A\Gamma M] \subseteq (T \cup T\Gamma M] = (T] = T$ , and property (1) is satisfied. The proof of properties (2) and (3) is similar.

It might be mentioned that I(A) = R(L(A)) = L(R(A)).

**Lemma 2.8** If M is an ordered hypergroupoid, then, for any nonempty subsets A, B of M, we have

$$(A\Gamma B] = (A\Gamma(B)] = ((A)\Gamma B] = ((A)\Gamma(B)].$$

**Proof** Since  $A \subseteq (A]$  and  $B \subseteq (B]$ , we have  $A\Gamma B \subseteq (A]\Gamma(B]$  and so  $(A\Gamma B] \subseteq ((A]\Gamma(B)]$ . On the other hand, by Lemma 2.6, we have  $((A]\Gamma(B)] \subseteq ((A\Gamma B)] = (A\Gamma B)$  and so  $(A\Gamma B) = ((A]\Gamma(B)]$ .

Clearly,  $(A\Gamma B] \subseteq (A\Gamma(B)]$ . Let now  $x \in (A\Gamma(B)]$ . Then,  $x \leq t$  for some  $t \in A\Gamma(B)$ ,  $t \in a\gamma u$  for some  $a \in A$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $u \in (B]$  and  $u \leq b$  for some  $b \in B$ . By Lemma 2.2,  $a\gamma u \preceq a\gamma b$  and since  $t \in a\gamma u$ , there exists  $v \in a\gamma b$  such that  $t \leq v$ . We have  $x \leq v \in a\gamma b \in A\Gamma B$  and so  $x \in (A\Gamma B]$ ; and  $(A\Gamma B) = (A\Gamma(B)]$ . The remainder equality can be proved at a similar way.

The theorem on regular ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that corresponds to Theorem 2.2 in [5] is the following.

**Theorem 2.9** Let M be an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. The following are equivalent:

- (1) M is regular.
- (2)  $A \cap B = (A \cap B]$  for every right ideal A and every left ideal B of M.
- (3)  $A \cap B \subseteq (A \cap B]$  for every right ideal A and every left ideal B of M.

**Proof** (1)  $\implies$  (2). Let A be a right ideal and B be a left ideal of M. By [5; Proposition 3.12], the set  $A \cap B$  is nonempty. Since M is regular, by Proposition 2.4, we have  $A \cap B \subseteq ((A \cap B)\Gamma M\Gamma(A \cap B)]$ . Since  $A \cap B \subseteq A, B$ , by [5; Lemma 3.8],  $(A \cap B)\Gamma M\Gamma(A \cap B) \subseteq A\Gamma M\Gamma B$ . Thus we have

$$A \cap B \subseteq \left( (A\Gamma M)\Gamma B \right] \subseteq (A\Gamma B] \subseteq (A\Gamma M] \cap (M\Gamma B)$$
$$\subseteq (A] \cap (B] = A \cap B.$$

Then we have  $A \cap B = (A\Gamma B]$  and property (2) is satisfied.

The implication  $(2) \Longrightarrow (3)$  is obvious.

 $(3) \Longrightarrow (1)$ . Let A be a nonempty subset of M. By hypothesis, we have

$$A \subseteq R(A) \cap L(A) \subseteq \left(R(A)\Gamma L(A)\right] = \left((A \cup A\Gamma M]\Gamma(A \cup M\Gamma A]\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.7)}$$
$$= \left((A \cup A\Gamma M)\Gamma(A \cup M\Gamma A)\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.8)}$$
$$= \left(A\Gamma A \cup A\Gamma M\Gamma A \cup A\Gamma(M\Gamma M)\Gamma A\right]$$
$$= (A\Gamma A \cup A\Gamma M\Gamma A].$$

Then we have

$$A\Gamma A \subseteq (A\Gamma A \cup A\Gamma M\Gamma A]\Gamma(A] \subseteq \left((A\Gamma A \cup A\Gamma M\Gamma A)\Gamma A\right]$$
(by Lemma 2.6)  
$$= \left(A\Gamma A\Gamma A \cup A\Gamma (M\Gamma A)\Gamma A\right] \subseteq (A\Gamma M\Gamma A].$$

Then  $A \subseteq ((A\Gamma M\Gamma A)] = (A\Gamma M\Gamma A)$  and, by Proposition 2.4, M is regular.

A natural extension of the concept of intra-regular ordered semigroup [3] to intra-regular ordered  $\Gamma$ hypersemigroup is given by the following definition.

**Definition 2.10** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is called intra-regular if, for every  $a \in M$ , there exist  $x, y \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu, \rho \in \Gamma$  such that  $\{a\} \preceq (x\gamma a)\overline{\mu}(a\rho y)$ ; in other words, there exist  $x, y, t \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu, \rho \in \Gamma$  such that

$$t \in (x\gamma a)\overline{\mu}(a\rho y)$$
 and  $a \leq t$ .

**Proposition 2.11** Let M be an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. The following are equivalent:

- (1) M is intra-regular.
- (2) For any nonempty subset A of M, we have  $A \subseteq (M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ .
- (3) For every  $a \in M$ , we have  $a \in (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ .

**Proof** (1)  $\implies$  (2). Let A be a nonempty subset of M and  $a \in A$ . Since M is intra-regular, there exist  $x, y, t \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu, \rho \in \Gamma$  such that  $t \in (x\gamma a)\overline{\mu}(a\rho y)$  and  $a \leq t$ . Since  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $a \in A$ , by [5; Lemma 3.7(2)], we have  $x\gamma a \subseteq M\Gamma A$ ; and since  $a \in A$ ,  $\rho \in \Gamma$  and  $y \in M$ , we have  $a\rho y \subseteq A\Gamma M$ . Since  $x\gamma a \subseteq M\Gamma A$ ,  $a\rho y \subseteq A\Gamma M$  and  $\mu \in \Gamma$ , by [5; Lemma 3.6], we have  $(x\gamma a)\overline{\mu}(a\rho y) \subseteq (M\Gamma A)\overline{\mu}(A\Gamma M)$ . By [5; Definition 3.3],  $(M\Gamma A)\overline{\mu}\Gamma(A\Gamma M) \subseteq (M\Gamma A)\Gamma(A\Gamma M)$ . By [5; Proposition 3.17],  $(M\Gamma A)\Gamma(A\Gamma M) = M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M$ . Hence we obtain  $a \leq t \in M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M$ , that is  $a \in (M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$  and property (2) holds.

The implication  $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$  is obvious.

(3)  $\Longrightarrow$  (1). Let  $a \in M$ . By hypothesis,  $a \in (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ , then  $a \leq t$  for some  $t \in (M\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma M)$ . By [5; Lemma 3.7(1)],  $t \in u\mu v$  for some  $u \in M\Gamma a$ ,  $\mu \in \Gamma$ ,  $v \in a\Gamma M$ ,  $u \in x\gamma a$  for some  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $v \in a\rho y$ for some  $\rho \in \Gamma$ ,  $y \in M$ . By [5; Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6], we have  $t \in u\mu v = \{u\}\overline{\mu}\{v\} \subseteq (x\gamma a)\overline{\mu}(a\rho y)$ . We have  $x, y, t \in M$ ,  $\gamma, \mu, \rho \in \Gamma$ ,  $t \in (x\gamma a)\overline{\mu}(a\rho y)$  and  $a \leq t$  and so M is intra-regular.

The theorem on intra-regular ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that corresponds to Theorem 2.4 in [5], is the following.

**Theorem 2.12** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is intra-regular if and only if for every right ideal A and every left ideal B of M, we have

$$A \cap B \subseteq (B\Gamma A].$$

**Proof**  $\implies$ . Let A be a right ideal and B be a left ideal of M. By [5; Proposition 3.12], the set  $A \cap B$  is nonempty. Since M is intra-regular, by Proposition 2.11, we have

$$A \cap B \subseteq \bigg( \Big( M \Gamma(A \cap B) \Big) \Gamma \Big( (A \cap B) \Gamma M \Big) \bigg].$$

Since  $A \cap B \subseteq B, A$ , by [5; Lemma 3.8], we have  $M\Gamma(A \cap B)\Gamma(A \cap B)\Gamma M \subseteq (M\Gamma B)\Gamma(A\Gamma M) \subseteq B\Gamma A$  and so  $A \cap B \subseteq (B\Gamma A]$ .

 $\Leftarrow$ . Let  $a \in M$ . By hypothesis, we have

$$a \in R(a) \cap L(a) \subseteq \left(L(a)\Gamma R(a)\right] = \left((a \cup M\Gamma a]\Gamma(a \cup a\Gamma M)\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.7)}$$
$$= \left((a \cup M\Gamma a)\Gamma(a \cup a\Gamma M)\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.8)}$$

$$= (a\Gamma a \cup M\Gamma a\Gamma a \cup a\Gamma a\Gamma M \cup M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$$

 $= (a\Gamma a] \cup (M\Gamma a\Gamma a] \cup (a\Gamma a\Gamma M] \cup (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M].$ 

If  $a \in (a\Gamma a]$ , then we have

$$a\Gamma a \subseteq (a\Gamma a]\Gamma(a\Gamma a] \subseteq (a\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma a]$$
 (by Lemma 2.6)  
 $\subseteq (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M],$ 

so  $a \in (a\Gamma a] \subseteq ((M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M)] = (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M).$ If  $a \in (M\Gamma a\Gamma a]$ , then we have

$$M\Gamma a\Gamma a \subseteq M\Gamma(M\Gamma a\Gamma a]\Gamma a \subseteq (M]\Gamma(M\Gamma a\Gamma a]\Gamma(a)$$
$$\subseteq (M\Gamma M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma a] \text{ (by Lemma 2.6)}$$
$$= \left((M\Gamma M)\Gamma(a\Gamma a\Gamma a)\right]$$
$$\subseteq \left(M\Gamma(a\Gamma a\Gamma M)\right].$$

Then  $a \in (M\Gamma a\Gamma a] \subseteq ((M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M)] = (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M).$ 

If  $(a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ , then in a similar way we prove that  $a \in (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ . In each case, we have  $a \in (M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ and, by Proposition 2.11, M is intra-regular.

The natural extension of the notion of right (left) regular ordered semigroup [1] to right (left) regular ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup is given by the following definition.

**Definition 2.13** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is called right regular if, for every  $a \in M$ , there exist  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that  $\{a\} \leq (a\gamma a)\overline{\mu}\{x\}$ ; in other words, there exist  $x, t \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that

$$t \in (a\gamma a)\overline{\mu}\{x\}$$
 and  $a \leq t$ .

It is called left regular if for every  $a \in M$  there exist  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that  $\{a\} \leq \{x\}\overline{\gamma}(a\mu a)$ ; in other words, there exist  $x, t \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that

$$t \in \{x\}\overline{\gamma}(a\mu a) \text{ and } a \leq t.$$

**Proposition 2.14** Let M be an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. The following are equivalent:

- (1) M is right regular.
- (2) For every nonempty subset A of M, we have  $A \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ .
- (3) For every  $a \in M$ , we have  $a \in (a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ .

**Proof** (1)  $\implies$  (2). Let A be a nonempty subset of M and  $a \in A$ . Since M is right regular, there exist  $x, t \in M$  and  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$  such that  $t \in (a\gamma a)\overline{\mu}\{x\}$  and  $a \leq t$ . By [5; Definition 3.3],  $(a\gamma a)\overline{\mu}\{x\} \subseteq (a\gamma a)\Gamma\{x\}$ . By [5; Lemma 3.7(2)],  $a\gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma a$  and, by [5; Lemma 3.8 and Prop. 3.17],  $(a\gamma a)\Gamma\{x\} \subseteq (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M = A\Gamma A\Gamma M$ . We have  $a \leq t \in A\Gamma A\Gamma M$  and so  $a \in (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ .

The implication  $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$  is obvious.

(3)  $\implies$  (1). Let  $a \in M$ . By hypothesis, we have  $a \in (a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ . By [5; Prop. 3.17],  $a \leq t$  for some  $t \in (a\Gamma a)\Gamma M$ . By [5; Lemma 3.7(1)],  $t \in u\mu x$  for some  $u \in a\Gamma a$ ,  $\mu \in \Gamma$ ,  $x \in M$  and  $u \in a\gamma a$  for some  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . By [5; Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6], we get  $t \in u\mu x = \{u\}\overline{\mu}\{x\} \subseteq (a\gamma a)\overline{\mu}\{x\}$ . We have  $x, t \in M$ ,  $\gamma, \mu \in \Gamma$ ,  $t \in (a\gamma a)\overline{\mu}\{x\}$ ,  $a \leq t$  and so M is right regular.

In a similar way the following proposition holds.

**Proposition 2.15** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is left regular if and only if, for every nonempty subset A of M, we have  $A \subseteq (M\Gamma A\Gamma A]$ , equivalently, for every  $a \in M$ , we have  $a \in (M\Gamma a\Gamma a]$ .

**Definition 2.16** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid M is called right duo if the right ideals of M are at the same time left ideals of M; that is, ideals of M. It is called left duo if the left ideals of M are ideals of M.

**Lemma 2.17** Let M be an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. Then, for every nonempty subsets A, B, C of M, we have

$$(A\Gamma B\Gamma C] = \Big(A\Gamma(B]\Gamma C\Big].$$

**Proof** Since  $B \subseteq (B]$ , we have  $A\Gamma B\Gamma C \subseteq A\Gamma(B]\Gamma C$  and so  $(A\Gamma B\Gamma C] \subseteq (A\Gamma(B]\Gamma C]$ . On the other hand,

$$A\Gamma(B]\Gamma C \subseteq A\Gamma((B]\Gamma(C)) \subseteq A\Gamma(B\Gamma C) \text{ (by Lemma 2.6)}$$
$$\subseteq (A]\Gamma(B\Gamma C) \subseteq (A\Gamma(B\Gamma C)) \text{ (by Lemma 2.6)}$$
$$= (A\Gamma B\Gamma C)$$

and so  $\left(A\Gamma(B]\Gamma C\right] \subseteq \left((A\Gamma B\Gamma C]\right] = (A\Gamma B\Gamma C].$ 

The theorem on right regular and right duo ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that corresponds to Theorem 2.7 in [5], is the following.

**Theorem 2.18** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is right regular and right duo if and only if, for every right ideals A and B of M, we have

$$A \cap B = (A\Gamma B].$$

**Proof**  $\implies$ . Let A, B be right ideals of M. Then  $A\Gamma B \subseteq A\Gamma M \subseteq A$ ; since M is right duo, B is a left ideal of M as well, that is  $A\Gamma B \subseteq M\Gamma B \subseteq B$ . Thus we have  $(A\Gamma B] \subseteq (A] = A$  and  $(A\Gamma B] \subseteq (B] = B$  and so  $(A\Gamma B] \subseteq A \cap B$ . Since A is a right ideal and B is a left ideal of M, by [5; Proposition 3.12], the set  $A \cap B$  is nonempty. Since M is right regular and  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$ , by Proposition 2.14, we have

$$A\cap B\subseteq \Bigl((A\cap B)\Gamma(A\cap B)\Gamma M\Bigr].$$

Since  $A \cap B \subseteq A, B$ , by [5; Lemma 3.8],  $(A \cap B) \Gamma M \subseteq A \Gamma M \cap B \Gamma M \subseteq A \cap B$ . Then we have

$$A \cap B \subseteq \left( (A \cap B)\Gamma(A \cap B) \right] \subseteq (A\Gamma B],$$

and so  $A \cap B = (A\Gamma B]$ .

 $\Leftarrow$ . Let A be a right ideal of M. Since M is a right ideal of M, by hypothesis, we have  $A = M \cap A = (M\Gamma A]$ , so A is a left ideal of M and M is right duo.

Let now  $a \in M$ . By hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a \in R(a) \cap R(a) &= \left( R(a)\Gamma R(a) \right] = \left( (a \cup a\Gamma M]\Gamma(a \cup a\Gamma M] \right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.7)} \\ &= \left( (a \cup a\Gamma M)\Gamma(a \cup a\Gamma M) \right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.8)} \\ &= \left( a\Gamma a \cup a\Gamma M\Gamma a \cup a\Gamma a\Gamma M \cup a\Gamma M\Gamma a\Gamma M \right] \\ &= \left( a\Gamma a ] \cup \left( a\Gamma M\Gamma a \right] \cup \left( a\Gamma a\Gamma M \right] \cup \left( a\Gamma M\Gamma a\Gamma M \right]. \end{aligned}$$

If  $a \in (a\Gamma a]$ , then  $a\Gamma a \subseteq (a\Gamma a]\Gamma a \subseteq (a\Gamma a]\Gamma(a] \subseteq (a\Gamma a\Gamma a] \subseteq (a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ . Then

$$a \in (a\Gamma a] \subseteq \left( (a\Gamma a\Gamma M] \right] = (a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$$

Let  $a \in (a\Gamma M\Gamma a]$ . Then

$$a \in \left(a\Gamma M\Gamma(a\Gamma M\Gamma a]\right] = \left((a\Gamma M)\Gamma(a\Gamma M\Gamma a)\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.8)}$$
$$= \left((a\Gamma M)\Gamma(a\Gamma M)\Gamma a\right)$$
$$= \left((a\Gamma M)\Gamma(a\Gamma M]\Gamma a\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.17)}$$
$$= \left(a\Gamma M\Gamma(a\Gamma M]\Gamma a\right].$$

The set  $(a\Gamma M]$  is a right ideal of M. Since M is right duo, it is a left ideal of M as well, that is,  $M\Gamma(a\Gamma M] \subseteq (a\Gamma M]$ . Thus we have

$$a \in \left(a\Gamma(a\Gamma M)\Gamma a\right] = \left(a\Gamma(a\Gamma M)\Gamma a\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.17)}$$
$$= \left(a\Gamma a\Gamma(M\Gamma a)\right] \subseteq (a\Gamma a\Gamma M],$$

and so  $a \in (a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ .

Let  $a \in (a\Gamma M\Gamma a\Gamma M]$ . By Lemma 2.8,  $a \in ((a\Gamma M)\Gamma(a\Gamma M)]$ . Since  $(a\Gamma M)$  is a right ideal of M and M is right duo, it is a left ideal of M as well and so  $M\Gamma(a\Gamma M) \subseteq (a\Gamma M)$ . Thus we have  $a \in (a\Gamma(a\Gamma M)] = (a\Gamma a\Gamma M)$  by Lemma 2.8.

In each case, we have  $a \in (a\Gamma a\Gamma M]$  and, by Proposition 2.14, M is right regular.

In a similar way, we prove the following theorem that corresponds to [5; Theorem 2.8].

**Theorem 2.19** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is left regular and left duo if and only if, for every left ideals A and B of M, we have

$$A \cap B = (B\Gamma A].$$

**Definition 2.20** Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. A nonempty subset T of M is called semiprime if for any nonempty subset A of T such that  $A\Gamma A \subseteq T$ , we have  $A \subseteq T$ .

Equivalent Definition: For every  $a \in M$  such that  $a\Gamma a \subseteq T$ , we have  $a \in T$ .

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The theorem on ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that corresponds to [5; Theorem 2.10] is the following:

**Theorem 2.21** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is intra-regular if and only if the ideals of M are semiprime.

**Proof**  $\implies$ . Let T be an ideal of M and A be a nonempty subset of T such that  $A\Gamma A \subseteq T$ . Since M is intra-regular, by Proposition 2.11, we have  $A \subseteq (M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M] = (M\Gamma (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M]$ . Since  $A\Gamma A \subseteq T$ , we have  $M\Gamma (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M \subseteq M\Gamma T\Gamma M \subseteq T$ . Thus we have  $A \subseteq (T] = T$  and so M is semiprime.

 $\Leftarrow$ . Let  $a \in M$ . The set  $I(a\Gamma a)$  is an ideal of M such that  $a\Gamma a \subseteq I(a\Gamma a)$ . Since  $I(a\Gamma a)$  is semiprime, we have

$$a \in I(a\Gamma a) = (a\Gamma a \cup M\Gamma a\Gamma a \cup a\Gamma a\Gamma M \cup M\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma M].$$

Then M is intra-regular (see the proof of the " $\Leftarrow$ "-part of Theorem 2.12).

The proposition on ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that corresponds to [5; Proposition 2.11] is the following.

**Proposition 2.22** If an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is right (or left) regular, then it is intra-regular.

**Proof** Let M be right regular and A a nonempty subset of M. By Proposition 2.14, we have  $A \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ . Moreover,

$$A\Gamma A\Gamma M \subseteq A\Gamma (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]\Gamma M \subseteq (A]\Gamma (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]\Gamma (M)$$
$$\subseteq \left(A\Gamma (A\Gamma A\Gamma M)\Gamma M\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.6)}$$
$$= \left((A\Gamma A)\Gamma A\Gamma (M\Gamma M)\right]$$
$$\subseteq (M\Gamma A\Gamma M] \subseteq \left(M\Gamma (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]\Gamma M\right]$$
$$= \left(M\Gamma (A\Gamma A\Gamma M)\Gamma M\right] \text{ (by Lemma 2.17)}$$
$$= \left(M\Gamma (A\Gamma A)\Gamma (M\Gamma M)\right] \subseteq (M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M].$$

Thus we have  $A \subseteq ((M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M)] = (M\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma M)$  and, by Proposition 2.11, M is intra-regular. The following proposition, corresponds to [5; Proposition 2.12].

**Proposition 2.23** Let M be an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. The following are equivalent:

- (1) M is right regular.
- (2)  $R(A) = R(A\Gamma A)$  for every nonempty subset A of M.
- (3)  $R(A) \subseteq R(A\Gamma A)$  for every nonempty subset A of M.

**Proof** (1)  $\Longrightarrow$  (2). Let A be a nonempty subset of M. We have  $R(A) = (A \cup A\Gamma M]$ . Since M is right regular, by Proposition 2.14, we have  $A \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ . Then we have

$$A \cup A\Gamma M \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M] \cup (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]\Gamma M = (A\Gamma A\Gamma M] \cup (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]\Gamma (M)$$

Since  $(A\Gamma A\Gamma M]\Gamma(M] \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma (M\Gamma M)] \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ , we have  $A \cup A\Gamma M = (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ . Then we have

$$R(A) = (A \cup A\Gamma M] = \left( (A\Gamma A\Gamma M] \right] = \left( (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M \right]$$
$$\subseteq \left( A\Gamma A \cup (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M \right] = R(A\Gamma A).$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{split} R(A\Gamma A) &= \left(A\Gamma A \cup (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M\right] = (A\Gamma A] \cup \left(A\Gamma (A\Gamma M)\right] \subseteq (A\Gamma M) \\ &\subseteq (A \cup A\Gamma M] = R(A). \end{split}$$

Thus we have  $R(A) = R(A\Gamma A)$ .

The implication  $(2) \Longrightarrow (3)$  is obvious.

 $(3) \Longrightarrow (1)$ . let A be a nonempty subset of M. By hypothesis, we have

$$A \subseteq R(A) \subseteq R(A\Gamma A) = \left(A\Gamma A \cup (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M\right]$$
$$= (A\Gamma A] \cup \left(A\Gamma (A\Gamma M)\right] \subseteq (A\Gamma M],$$

from which  $A\Gamma A \subseteq A\Gamma(A\Gamma M]$ . Then we have  $(A\Gamma A] \subseteq ((A\Gamma(A\Gamma M)]) = (A\Gamma A\Gamma M)$  and so  $A \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M)$ . By Proposition 2.14, M is right regular.

The following corresponds to [5; Proposition 2.13].

**Proposition 2.24** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is left regular if and only if, for any nonempty subset A of M, we have

$$L(A) = L(A\Gamma A), equivalently, L(A) \subseteq L(A\Gamma A).$$

The following corresponds to [5; Theorem 2.14].

**Proposition 2.25** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is right regular if and only if the right ideals of M are semiprime.

**Proof**  $\implies$ . Let T be a right ideal of M and A a nonempty subset of M such that  $A\Gamma A \subseteq T$ . Since M is right regular, by Proposition 2.14, we have  $A \subseteq ((A\Gamma A)\Gamma M] \subseteq (T\Gamma M] \subseteq T$ , then  $A \subseteq T$  and so T is semiprime.

 $\Leftarrow$ . Let A be a nonempty subset of M. Since  $R(A\Gamma A)$  is a right ideal of M, by hypothesis, it is semiprime. Since  $A\Gamma A \subseteq R(A\Gamma A)$  and  $R(A\Gamma A)$  is semiprime, we have

$$A \subseteq R(A\Gamma A) = \left(A\Gamma A \cup (A\Gamma A)\Gamma M\right] = (A\Gamma A] \cup \left(A\Gamma (A\Gamma M)\right] \subseteq (A\Gamma M).$$

Then  $A\Gamma A \subseteq A\Gamma(A\Gamma M] \subseteq (A]\Gamma(A\Gamma M] \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$  and so  $A \subseteq (A\Gamma A\Gamma M]$ . By Proposition 2.14, M is right regular.

In a similar way, we get the following proposition that corresponds to [5; Theorem 2.15].

**Proposition 2.26** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is left regular if and only if the left ideals of M are semiprime.

**Definition 2.27** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypergroupoid M is called right (resp. left) simple if M is the only right (resp. left) ideal of M. That is, if A is a right (resp. left) ideal of M, then A = M.

The following corresponds to [5; Proposition 2.17].

**Proposition 2.28** Let M be an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup. The following are equivalent:

- (1) M is right (resp. left) simple.
- (2)  $(A\Gamma M] = M$  (resp.  $(M\Gamma A] = M$ ) for every nonempty subset A of M.
- (3)  $(a\Gamma M] = M$  (resp.  $(M\Gamma a] = M$ ) for every  $a \in M$ .

**Proof** (1)  $\implies$  (2). Assuming M is right simple, let A be a nonempty subset of M. Since  $(A\Gamma M]$  is a right ideal of M and M is right simple, we have  $(A\Gamma M] = M$ .

The implication  $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$  is obvious.

(3)  $\implies$  (1). Suppose  $(a\Gamma M] = M$  for every  $a \in M$  and let T be a left ideal of M. Then T = M. Indeed: Let  $a \in M$ . Take an element  $b \in T$   $(T \neq \emptyset)$ . By hypothesis, we have  $(b\Gamma M] = M$ . Then,  $a \in (b\Gamma M] \subseteq (T\Gamma M] \subseteq (T] = T$  and so  $a \in T$ .

The following proposition corresponds to [5; Proposition 2.19].

**Proposition 2.29** If an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is both right and left simple, then it is regular.

**Proof** Let A be a nonempty subset of M. Since M is right simple, by Proposition 2.28, we have  $(A\Gamma M] = M$ ; since M is left simple, we have  $(M\Gamma A] = M$ . Then we have

$$A \subseteq (A\Gamma M] = \left(A\Gamma (M\Gamma A)\right] = \left(A\Gamma (M\Gamma A)\right] = (A\Gamma M\Gamma A),$$

and by Proposition 2.4, M is regular.

**Definition 2.30** A nonempty subset A of an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is called a bi-ideal of M if we have the following:

- (1)  $B\Gamma M\Gamma B \subseteq B$  and
- (2) if  $a \in B$  and  $M \ni b \leq a$ , then  $b \in B$ .

By a subidempotent bi-ideal of M we mean a bi-ideal A of M such that  $A\Gamma A \subseteq A$  (in other words a bi-ideal of M that is at the same time a  $\Gamma$ -subsemilypergroup of M).

The theorem on ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups that corresponds to [5; Theorem 2.20] is the following.

**Theorem 2.31** An ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup M is both left and right simple if and only if M does not contain proper bi-ideals; equivalently, if M does not contain proper subidempotent bi-ideals.

**Proof**  $\implies$ . Let *B* be a bi-ideal of *M*. Since *S* is left simple, by Proposition 2.28, we have  $(M\Gamma B] = M$ ; since *M* is right simple, we have  $(B\Gamma M] = M$ . Thus we have

$$M = (M\Gamma B] = \left( (B\Gamma M]\Gamma B \right] = (B\Gamma M\Gamma B] \subseteq (B] = B,$$

and so B = M.

 $\Leftarrow$ . Let A be a left ideal of M. Then, A is a subidempotent bi-ideal of M. By hypothesis, we have A = M, so M does not contain proper left ideals and so it is left simple. Similarly, M is right simple.

Theorem 2.31, in case of an ordered semigroup, has been proved in [5]. Using the methodology given in Theorem 2.31, the proof in [5] can be simplified. However, based on [5], we can give a second proof of the " $\Rightarrow$ "-part of Theorem 2.31 which, though more technical, is interesting giving further detailed information about the techniques in ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroups.

For this proof, we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.32** If M is a regular  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup and A a bi-ideal of M, then  $A\Gamma A \subseteq A$ .

**Proof** Since A is a bi-ideal of M, we have  $A\Gamma M\Gamma A \subseteq A$ , and then  $(A\Gamma M\Gamma A] \subseteq (A] = A$ . Since M is regular, we have  $A \subseteq (A\Gamma M\Gamma A]$  and so  $A = (A\Gamma M\Gamma A]$ . Then we get

$$A\Gamma A \subseteq (A\Gamma M\Gamma A]\Gamma(A] \subseteq \left(A\Gamma (M\Gamma A)\Gamma A\right] \subseteq (A\Gamma M\Gamma A] = A,$$

and so  $A\Gamma A \subseteq A$ .

#### Second proof of the " $\Rightarrow$ "-part of Theorem 2.31

 $\implies$ . Let A be a bi-ideal of M. Then A = M. In fact: Let  $a \in M$ . Take an element  $b \in A$   $(A \neq \emptyset)$ . Consider the left ideal L(b) of M generated by b, that is the set  $L(b) = (b \cup M\Gamma b]$ . Since M is left simple, we have L(b) = M. Since  $a \in L(b)$ , we have  $a \leq t$  for some  $t \in b \cup M\Gamma b$ .

(A) If t = b, then  $t \in A$ . Since  $M \ni a \leq t \in A$  and A is a bi-ideal of M, we have  $a \in A$  and the proof is complete.

(B) If  $t \in M\Gamma b$ , then  $t \in x\gamma b$  for some  $x \in M$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . We consider the right ideal of M generated by b, that is the set  $R(b) = (b \cup b\Gamma M]$ . Since M is right simple, we have R(b) = M. Since  $x \in R(b)$ , we have  $x \leq k$  for some  $k \in b \cup b\Gamma M$ .

(B<sub>1</sub>) If k = b, then  $x \le b$ , so  $x\gamma b \le b\gamma b$  and since  $t \in x\gamma b$ , there exists  $u \in b\gamma b$  such that  $t \le u$ . Since M is right and left simple, by Proposition 2.29, it is regular. Since M is regular and A is a bi-ideal of M, by Lemma 2.32, have  $A\Gamma A \subseteq A$ . Since  $u \in b\gamma b \subseteq A\Gamma A \subseteq A$ , we have  $u \in A$ . Since  $M \ni a \le t \le u \in A$  and A is a bi-ideal of M, we have  $a \in A$  and the proof is complete.

(B<sub>2</sub>) Let  $k \in b\Gamma M$ . Then  $k \in b\mu y$  for some  $\mu \in \Gamma$ ,  $y \in M$ . Since  $x \leq k$ , we have  $x\gamma b \leq k\gamma b$  and since  $t \in x\gamma b$ , there exists  $u \in k\gamma b$  such that  $t \leq u$ . We have

$$u \in k\gamma b = \{k\}\overline{\gamma}\{b\} \subseteq (b\mu y)\overline{\gamma}\{b\} \subseteq A\Gamma M\Gamma A \subseteq A,$$

therefore  $u \in A$ . Since  $M \ni a \le t \le u \in A$  and A is a bi-ideal of M, we have  $a \in A$  and the proof is complete.

**Note** It might be mentioned that the  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup given in Example 3.24 in [5], endowed with the order relation  $\leq := \{(a, a), (a, c), (b, b), (b, c), (c, c)\}$  is an example of an ordered  $\Gamma$ -hypersemigroup that is regular, right (resp. left) regular, and, by Proposition 2.22, intra-regular as well. Moreover, it is right simple and left simple. It is duo as well. So, the results of the paper can be applied.

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