

A NOTE ON THE QUASI-ANTIORDER IN A SEMIGROUP

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Abstract. Connections between quasi-antioorder on a semigroup with apartness and a naturally defined quasi-antioorder relation on factor semigroup (according to congruence and anti-congruence) are presented.

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1. Preliminaries and Introduction

This short investigation is in Bishop's constructive algebra in sense of the papers [3], [8], [12] and books [6] and [13]. Let $(S, =, \neq)$ be a constructive set (in the sense of Mines ([6]), Mulvey ([8]), Ruitenburg ([12]), Troelstra and van Dalen ([13])). The relation \neq is a binary relation on S which satisfies the following properties:

$$\neg(x \neq x), x \neq y \Rightarrow y \neq x, x \neq z \Rightarrow x \neq y \vee y \neq z, x \neq y \wedge y = z \Rightarrow x \neq z.$$

It is called *apartness* (A. Heyting). Let Y be a subset of S and $x \in S$. The subset Y of S is *strongly extensional* in S if and only if $y \in Y \Rightarrow y \neq x \vee x \in Y$ ([10], [11]). A relation q on S is a *coequality* relation on S if and only if it is consistent, symmetric and cotransitive ([6], [7], [9] and [11]). M. Bozic and D. A. Romano were first to define and study this notion in 1985. Let $(S, =, \neq)$ be a semigroup with apartness [3], [6], [12], [13]). As in [11], a relation q on S is anticongruence (in article [7], [9] we used term: cocongruence) if and only if it is a coequality relation on S compatible with the semigroup operation:

$$(\forall x, y \in S)((x, y) \in q \Rightarrow x \neq y),$$

$$(\forall x, y \in S)((x, y) \in q \Rightarrow (y, x) \in q),$$

$$(\forall x, y, z \in S)((x, z) \in q \Rightarrow (x, y) \in q \vee (y, z) \in q),$$

and

$$(\forall x, y, z \in S)((xz, yz) \in q \Rightarrow (x, y) \in q) \wedge ((zx, zy) \in q \Rightarrow (x, y) \in q).$$

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A relation α on S is *antiorder* ([6], [9]) on S if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \subseteq \neq, \\ (\forall x, y, z \in S)((x, z) \in \alpha \Rightarrow (x, y) \in \alpha \vee (y, z) \in \alpha, \\ (\forall x, y \in S)(x \neq y \Rightarrow (x, y) \in \alpha \vee (y, x) \in \alpha), \text{ (linearity)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(\forall x, y, z \in S)((xz, yz) \in \alpha \Rightarrow (x, y) \in \alpha) \wedge ((zx, zy) \in \alpha \Rightarrow (x, y) \in \alpha).$$

A relation s on S is *quasi-antiorder* ([7], [9], [11]) on S if

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \subseteq \neq, \\ (\forall x, y, z \in S)((x, z) \in s \Rightarrow (x, y) \in s \vee (y, z) \in s, \\ (\forall x, y, z \in S)((xz, yz) \in s \Rightarrow (x, y) \in s) \wedge ((zx, zy) \in s \Rightarrow (x, y) \in s)). \end{aligned}$$

Let x be an element of S and A a subset of S . We write $x \triangleright \triangleleft A$ if and only if $(\forall a \in A)(x \neq a)$, and $A^C = \{x \in S : x \triangleright \triangleleft A\}$. If s is a quasi-antiorder on S , then the relation $q = s \cup s^{-1}$ is an anticongruence on S . Firstly, the relation $q^C = \{(x, y) \in S \times S : (x, y) \triangleright \triangleleft q = s \cup s^{-1}\}$ is a congruence on S compatible with q , in the following sense $(\forall a, b, c \in S)((a, b) \in q^C \wedge (b, c) \in q \Rightarrow (a, c) \in q)$ ([11], Theorem 1).

We can construct the semigroup $S/(q^C, q) = \{aq^C : a \in S\}$.

Theorem 1. ([11], Theorem 2) *If q is an anticongruence on a semigroup S with apartness, then the set $S/(q, q^C)$ is a semigroup with*

$$aq^C = bq^C \Leftrightarrow (a, b) \triangleright \triangleleft q, aq^C \neq bq^C \Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in q, aq^C \cdot bq^C = abq^C.$$

We can also construct the semigroup $S/q = \{aq : a \in S\}$:

Theorem 2. ([11], Theorem 3) *Let q be anticongruence on a semigroup S with apartness. Then the set S/q is a semigroup with*

$$aq = bq \Leftrightarrow (a, b) \triangleright \triangleleft q, aq \neq bq \Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in q, aq \cdot bq = abq.$$

For a homomorphism $f : (S, =, \neq) \rightarrow (T, =, \neq)$ we say that it is a *strongly extensional homomorphism* if and only if $(\forall a, b \in S)(f(a) \neq f(b) \Rightarrow a \neq b)$.

Let S be a semigroup with apartness. A relation ρ on S is a quasi-order if it is reflexive and transitive. It is well known that if a quasi-order is compatible with the semigroup operation, then the relation C on S defined by $C = \rho \cap \rho^{-1}$ is a congruence on S (see e. g. [1], [2]).

In the article [4], N. Kehayopulu and M. Tsingelis gave the example of an ordered semigroup (S, \cdot, \leq) and a congruence θ on S such that the relation \leq on set S/θ , defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \leq &= \{(t, z) \in S/\theta \times S/\theta : (\exists(a, b) \in \leq)(t = a\theta \wedge z = b\theta)\} = \\ &= \{(x\theta, y\theta) \in S/\theta \times S/\theta : (\exists a \in x\theta)(\exists b \in y\theta)((a, b) \in \leq)\}, \end{aligned}$$

is not an order relation on S/θ , in general. In articles [4] and [5] they developed the theory of pseudo-order (quasi-order [1], [2]) in ordered semigroup. Constructive notion of quasi-antiorder relation is a notion parallel to the classical notion of quasi-order relation. In this paper and some other papers we try to investigate the properties of quasi-antiorder.

Let $(S, =, \neq, \cdot)$ be a semigroup with apartness, σ a quasi-order on S . In this article we will give a connection between the family $\mathbf{A} = \{\alpha : \alpha \text{ is a quasi-antiorder on } S \text{ such that } \alpha \subseteq \sigma\}$ and the family \mathbf{B} of all quasi-antiorders on S/q , where $q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$.

2. Results

Let $(S, =, \neq, \cdot)$ be a semigroup with apartness and σ be a quasi-antiorder relation on S . Our first proposition shows the existence of the quasi-antiorder Q on S/q , where $q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$.

Lemma 1. *Let $(S, =, \neq, \cdot)$ be a semigroup with apartness and σ be a quasi-antiorder relation on S . The relation Q on S/q , where $q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$, defined by $(aq, bq) \in Q \Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in \sigma$, is a consistent, cotransitive and linear relation on semigroup S/q compatible with the semigroup operation on S/q .*

Proof. Let a, b and c be elements of S .

- (i) Let $(aq, bq) \in Q$ i. e. let $(a, b) \in \sigma \subseteq a$, So, $aq \neq bq$.
- (ii) Let $(aq, cq) \in Q$, i. e. let $(a, c) \in \sigma$. Therefore, $(a, b) \in \sigma$ or $(b, c) \in \sigma$. Finally, we have $(aq, bq) \in Q$ or $(bq, cq) \in Q$, which means that Q is a cotransitive relation.
- (iii) Let $(axbq, aybq) \in Q$, i. e. let $(axb, ayb) \in \sigma$. Hence, $(x, y) \in \sigma$, because the relation σ is compatible with the semigroup operation in S . Therefore $(xq, yq) \in Q$.
- (iv) Let $aq \neq bq$, i. e. let $(a, b) \in q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$. Then $(aq, bq) \in Q$ or $(bq, aq) \in Q$. So, the relation Q is linear. \square

Let $\varphi : S \rightarrow T$ be a strongly extensional homomorphism and σ a quasi-antiorder on S . Then $\varphi(\sigma)$ is not quasi-antiorder on T , in general case. In the following proposition we prove the following: if t is a quasi-antiorder on the semigroup T , then $\varphi^{-1}(t)$ is a quasi-antiorder on S .

Lemma 2. *If $(S, =, \neq, \cdot)$ and $(T, =, \neq, \cdot)$ are semigroups, t is a quasi-antiorder on T , and $\varphi : S \rightarrow T$ a strongly extensional homomorphism, then the relation $\varphi^{-1}(t) = \{(a, b) \in S \times S : (\varphi(a), \varphi(b)) \in t\}$ is a quasi-antiorder on S , the relation*

$Coker\varphi = \{(a, b) \in S \times S : \varphi(a) \neq \varphi(b)\}$ is anticongruence on S compatible with congruence $Ker\varphi = \varphi \cdot \varphi^{-1}$, and $Coker\varphi \supseteq \varphi^{-1}(t) \cdot (\varphi^{-1}(t))^{-1}$ holds. Also, if the relation t is linear in T we have $Coker\varphi = \varphi^{-1}(t) \cdot (\varphi^{-1}(t))^{-1}$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad (a, b) \in \varphi^{-1}(t) &\Leftrightarrow (\varphi(a), \varphi(b)) \in t \subseteq \neq && \text{(by definition of the} \\ &&& \text{relation } \varphi^{-1}(t)) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \varphi(a) \neq \varphi(b) && \text{(\varphi is strongly} \\ &&& \text{extensional homomorphism)} \\ &\Rightarrow a \neq b; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad (a, c) \in \varphi^{-1}(t) &\Leftrightarrow (\varphi(a), \varphi(c)) \in t && \text{(by cotransitivity of } \rho) \\ &\Rightarrow (\forall b \in S)((\varphi(a), \varphi(b)) \in t \vee (\varphi(b), \varphi(c)) \in t) \\ &\Rightarrow (\forall b \in S)((a, b) \in \varphi^{-1}(t) \vee (b, c) \in \varphi^{-1}(t)); \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad (xay, xby) \in \varphi^{-1}(t) &\Leftrightarrow (\varphi(xay), \varphi(xby)) \in t \\ &\Rightarrow (\varphi(x)\varphi(a)\varphi(y), \varphi(x)\varphi(b)\varphi(y)) \in t && \text{(by compatibility} \\ &&& \text{of } t \text{ with the operation in } T) \\ &\Rightarrow (\varphi(a), \varphi(b)) \in t \\ &\Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in \varphi^{-1}(t); \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Suppose that the relation t is linear. Then we will have

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b) \in Coker\varphi &\Leftrightarrow \varphi(a) \neq \varphi(b) && \text{(by linearity of } t) \\ &\Rightarrow (\varphi(a), \varphi(b)) \in t \vee (\varphi(b), \varphi(a)) \in t \\ &\Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in \varphi^{-1}(t) \vee (b, a) \in \varphi^{-1}(t). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

In the following theorem we prove that there exists bijective mapping between quasi-antiorde T on S/q and quasi-antiorde t on S included in s .

Theorem 3. *Let $(S, =, \neq, \cdot)$ be a semigroup with apartness, σ a quasi-antiorde on S . Let $\mathbf{A} = \{\alpha : \alpha \text{ is quasi-antiorde on } S \text{ such that } \alpha \subseteq \sigma\}$. Let \mathbf{B} be the set of all quasi-antiorde on S/q , where $q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$. For $\alpha \in \mathbf{A}$, we define a relation $\alpha'' = \{(aq, bq) \in S/q \times S/q : (a, b) \in \alpha\}$. The mapping $f : \mathbf{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{B}$ defined by $f(\alpha) = \alpha''$ is strongly extensional, injective and surjective mapping from \mathbf{A} onto \mathbf{B} and for $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{A}$ we have $\alpha \subseteq \beta$ if and only if $\alpha'' \subseteq \beta''$.*

Proof.

(1) f is a well defined function. Let $\alpha \in \mathbf{A}$. Then α'' is a quasi-antiorde on S/q . Indeed: let $(aq, bq) \in \alpha''$ i. e. let $(a, b) \in \alpha \subseteq \sigma \subseteq \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1} = q$. Then $aq \neq bq$. This means that $\alpha'' \subseteq \neq$ on S/q . Let $(aq, cq) \in \alpha''$ and let bq be an arbitrary element of S/q . Then $(a, c) \in \alpha$, and b is an arbitrary element of S . Since $(a, b) \in \alpha \vee (b, c) \in \alpha$, we have $(aq, bq) \in \alpha'' \vee (bq, cq) \in \alpha''$. Let $(aqxq, bqxq) \in \alpha''$, i. e. let $(axq, bxq) \in \alpha''$. This means that $(ax, bx) \in \alpha$. From this we conclude $(a, b) \in \alpha$. Thus $(aq, bq) \in \alpha''$, i. e. the relation α'' is compatible with the semigroup operation on S/q . Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{A}$ with $\alpha = \beta$. If $(aq, bq) \in \alpha''$, then $(a, b) \in \alpha = \beta$, so $(aq, bq) \in \beta''$. Similarly, $\beta'' \subseteq \alpha''$. Therefore, $\beta'' = \alpha''$.

- (2) f is an injection. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{A}$, $\alpha'' = \beta''$. Let $(a, b) \in \alpha$. Since $(aq, bq) \in \alpha'' = \beta''$, we have $(a, b) \in \beta$. Similarly, we conclude $\beta \subseteq \alpha$. So, $\beta = \alpha$.
- (3) f is strongly extensional. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{A}$, $\alpha'' \neq \beta''$, i. e. let there exist an element $(aq, bq) \in \alpha''$ and $(aq, bq) \notin \beta''$. Then $(a, b) \in \alpha$. Let (x, y) be an arbitrary element of β . Then $(xq, yq) \in \beta''$ and $(xq, yq) \neq (aq, bq)$. This means $xq \neq aq \vee yq \neq bq$, i. e. $(x, a) \in q \vee (y, b) \in q$. Therefore, from $x \neq a \vee y \neq b$ we have $(a, b) \in \alpha$ and $(a, b) \neq (x, y) \in \beta$. Thus, we have $\alpha \neq \beta$. Similarly, from $(aq, bq) \notin \alpha''$ and $(aq, bq) \in \beta''$ we conclude $\alpha \neq \beta$.
- (4) f is onto. Let $\delta \in \mathbf{B}$. We define a relation μ on S as follows:

$$\mu = \{(x, y) \in S \times S : (xq, yq) \in \delta\}.$$

μ is a quasi-antiorder. In fact:

- (I) Let $(x, y) \in \mu$. Since $(xq, yq) \in \delta \subseteq \neq$ on S/q , we conclude that $xq \neq yq$, i. e. $(x, y) \in q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$. Hence, $(x, y) \in \sigma \subseteq \neq$ or $(y, x) \in \sigma \subseteq \neq$. Therefore, we have $x \neq y$. Let $(x, z) \in \mu$, i. e. let $(xq, zq) \in \delta$. Then $(xq, yq) \in \delta$ or $(yq, zq) \in \delta$ for arbitrary $yq \in S/q$ by cotransitivity of δ . Thus, $(x, y) \in \mu$ or $(y, z) \in \mu$. Let $(ax, ay) \in \mu$, i. e. let $(axq, ayq) \in \delta$. Then from $(aqxq, aqyq) \in \delta$ follows $(xq, yq) \in \delta$. So, we have $(x, y) \in \mu$. Similarly, we conclude $(x, y) \in \mu$ from $(xa, ya) \in \mu$. Therefore, the relation μ is a compatible relation on S .

- (II) $\mu'' = \delta$. Indeed:

$$(xq, yq) \in \mu'' \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in \mu \Leftrightarrow (xq, yq) \in \delta.$$

- (III) $\mu \subseteq \sigma$. In the matter of fact, we have the sequence

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b) \in \mu &\Leftrightarrow (f(a), f(b)) \in \mu'' = \delta \\ &\Leftrightarrow (f \cdot \pi(q)(a), f \cdot \pi(q)(b)) \in \mu' = \delta \quad (\pi(q) : S \rightarrow S/q \text{ is a strongly extensional epimorphism}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\pi(q)(a), \pi(q)(b)) \in f^{-1}(\mu') = f^{-1}(\delta) \quad (\text{by } f^{-1}(\delta) \subseteq \text{Coker}(f)) \\ &\Rightarrow (\pi(q)(a), \pi(q)(b)) \in Q \\ &\Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in \rho. \end{aligned}$$

- (5) Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{A}$. We have $\alpha \subseteq \beta$ if and only if $\alpha'' \subseteq \beta''$. Indeed: Let $\alpha \subseteq \beta$ and $(xq, yq) \in \alpha''$. Since $(x, y) \in \alpha \subseteq \beta$, we have $(xq, yq) \in \beta''$. Oppositely, let $\alpha'' \subseteq \beta''$ and $(x, y) \in \alpha$. Since $(xq, yq) \in \alpha'' \subseteq \beta''$, we conclude that $(x, y) \in \beta$. \square

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