

# On oid-semigroups and universal semigroups “at infinity”

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## Abstract

In this paper, we present an important new results for study of oid-semigroup and universal semigroup “at infinity”. Principal results are theorem 3.4 and theorem 4.4.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $S$  be a semigroup and topological space.  $S$  is called topological semigroup if the multiplication  $(s, t) \rightarrow st : S \times S \rightarrow S$  is jointly continuous. Civin and Yood [5] shows that the Stone-Cech compactification of a discrete semigroup  $S$  could

be given a semigroup structure. Indeed the operation on  $S$  extends uniquely to  $\beta S$ , so that  $S$  contained in it's topological center. Pym [4] introduced the concept of an oid. Oids are important because nearly all semigroups contains them and all oids are oid-isomorphic [6]. Through out this paper we will let  $T$  be a commutative oid with a discrete topology. Then the compact space  $\beta T$  produces a compact right topological semigroup  $T^\infty$ . Our aim of the present paper is to introduce oid-semigroup and universal semigroup at infinity.

## 2 Definitions and preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $x = (x(n))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be any sequence consisting of 1s and  $\infty$ s. We define  $\text{supp}(x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : x(n) = \infty\}$  and write

$$T = \{(x(n))_{n \in \mathbb{N}} : \text{supp}(x)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is finite and non-empty}\}.$$

A commutative standard oid is the set  $T$  together with the product  $xy$  defined in  $T$  if and only if  $(\text{supp } x) \cap (\text{supp } y) = \emptyset$  to be  $(x(n)y(n))$  where  $x(n)y(n)$  is ordinary multiplication ( $1 \cdot 1 = 1, 1 \cdot \infty = \infty \cdot 1 = \infty$ ).

Any commutative standard oid  $T$  can be considered as  $\bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} \{1, \infty\} \setminus \{(1, 1, \dots, 1)\}$  so that  $T$  is a countable set. Obviously  $\text{supp}(xy) = (\text{supp } x) \cup (\text{supp } y)$  whenever  $xy$  is defined in  $T$ . A more detailed analysis of oids can be found in [4]. For  $x, y \in T$ ,  $\text{supp } x < \text{supp } y$  means that  $n < m$  if  $n \in \text{supp } x$  and  $m \in \text{supp } y$ , and  $\text{supp } x_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$  for some net  $(x_\alpha)$  in  $T$  will means that for arbitrary  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  eventually  $\min(\text{supp } x_\alpha) > k$ . Then for a fixed  $t \in T$ , eventually  $\text{supp } t < \text{supp } y$  and so eventually  $tx_\alpha$  is defined in  $T$ .

**Remark 2.2.** Write  $u_n = (1, 1, \dots, \infty, 1, 1, \dots)$  (with  $\infty$  in the  $n$ th place). Put  $U = \{u_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Then  $U$  is countable subset of  $T$ . Moreover, any  $x \in T$  can be written uniquely as a finite product  $x = u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k}$  with  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$ ,  $\text{supp } x = \{i_1, \dots, i_k\}$ .

The compact space  $\beta T$  produces a compact right topological semigroup at infinity  $T^\infty$  defined by

$$T^\infty = \{\mu \in \beta T : \mu = \lim_{\alpha} x_{\alpha} \text{ with } \text{supp } x_{\alpha} \rightarrow \infty\}$$

with the multiplication  $\mu\nu = \lim_{\alpha} \lim_{\beta} x_{\alpha} y_{\beta}$  if  $\mu = \lim_{\alpha} x_{\alpha}$ ,  $\nu = \lim_{\beta} y_{\beta}$ .

Infact, the product  $(\mu, \nu) \rightarrow \mu\nu : \beta T \times T^\infty \rightarrow T^\infty$  is defined and is right continuous, and left continuity holds when  $\mu = t \in T$ .

Let  $\nu \in T^\infty$ . The left operator determined by  $\nu$  is the mapping  $L_\nu : B(T) \rightarrow B(T)$  defined by  $L_\nu f(t) = \lim_{\beta} f(y_{\beta} t)$  ( $t \in T, f \in B(T)$ ) with  $y_{\beta} \rightarrow \nu$ ,  $\text{supp } y_{\beta} \rightarrow \infty$ .

Since  $T$  is commutative then  $L_\nu f(t) = (L_t f)^\beta(\nu)$ . If  $\mu \in T^\infty$ , then  $L_{\mu\nu} = L_\mu \circ L_\nu$ ,

so that  $(\mu, \nu) \rightarrow \mu\nu : T^\infty \times T^\infty \rightarrow T^\infty$  is a binary operation on  $T^\infty$  relative to which  $T^\infty$  is a compact right topological semigroups.

**Definition 2.3.** (a) *The cardinal function is the map  $c : T \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  given by  $c(x) = \text{card}(\text{supp } x)$ . If  $(\text{supp } x) \cap (\text{supp } y) = \emptyset$  then  $xy$  is defined,  $c(xy) = c(x) + c(y)$ . It follows that  $c$  extends to homomorphism  $c^\beta$  from  $T^\infty$  into the one-point compactification  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ .*

**Notation:** We denoted  $\frac{1}{c(x)}$  by  $k(x)$ , for  $x \in T$ . If  $A \subseteq T$  then  $1_A$  denoted the indicator function of  $A$ . That is the function whose value 1 on  $A$  and 0 on  $T \setminus A$ .

(b) Let  $z : T \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$ . For  $x \in T$ ,  $z(x)$  be the largest number of consecutive 1's between  $\min(\text{supp } x)$  and  $\max(\text{supp } x)$ , then the function  $k$  defined on  $T$  by  $k(x) = \frac{1}{z(x)+1}$  is bounded, so extends to a unique continuous function  $k^\beta$  from  $\beta T$  into  $\mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{\infty\}$ .

(c) Let  $T$  be a standard oid, and let  $x = u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k}$ . We define  $\ell : T \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  by  $\ell(x) = i_k - i_1 + 1$ , ( $x \in T$ ). Then obvious that, there is a unique function  $\ell^\beta : \beta T \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ , and put  $r(x) = \frac{1}{\ell(x)}$ , ( $x \in T$ ).

### 3 Oid-semigroup

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $T'$  be any set with an operation “ $\circ$ ” defined on  $T'$  and let  $T$  be a standard oid. We say that  $\varphi : T \rightarrow T'$  is an oid-map if for any  $x, y \in T$  which  $xy$  is defined in  $T$ , then  $\varphi(xy) = \varphi(x) \circ \varphi(y)$ .

For example let  $T$  be a standard oid and let  $\mathbb{N}$  be additive semigroup of positive integers. Then  $x = u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k}$ ,  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$ . Define  $\varphi : T \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  by  $\varphi(x) = 2^{i_1} + 2^{i_2} + \dots + 2^{i_k}$ . Then it is easily seen that  $\varphi$  is an oid-map.

**Definition 3.2.** Suppose that there is on  $T$  a multiplication  $m : T \times T \rightarrow T$  which makes  $(T, m)$  a commutative semigroup, and which has the property that the identity map from an oid  $T$  onto  $(T, m)$  is an oid map. Then we say  $(T, m)$  is a commutative oid-semigroup “at infinity”.

Suppose  $T$  be a commutative oid-map, and  $f \in C(T)$ ,  $s \in T$ . The left (right) translate  $l_s f$  ( $r_s f$ ) of  $f$  by  $s$  is defined by  $l_s f(t) = f(st)$  ( $r_s f(t) = f(ts)$ )  $\forall t \in T$ . A subspace  $X$  of  $C(T)$  is called left (right) translation invariant if  $l_s f \in X$ , ( $r_s f \in X$ ),  $\forall f \in X$ ,  $s \in T$ . As  $T$  is a commutative, it follows that  $l_s f = r_s f$  for all  $s \in T$ . Left (right) translation invariant subspace are discussed in [1].

We recall that a function  $f \in C(T)$  is said to be almost periodic if the set  $\{r_s f, s \in T\}$  of right translation of  $f$  is relatively norm compact in  $C(T)$  [2]. The set of all almost periodic functions on  $T$  is denoted by  $AP(T)$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $T$  be a commutative oid-semigroup and let  $f \in AP(T)$ . Then  $L_\nu f \in n - \text{cl}\{r_s f, s \in T\}$  for all  $\nu \in \beta T$ .

*Proof.* By definition when  $T$  is a semigroup,  $L_\nu f(t) = \lim_{\alpha} f(tx_\alpha)$  where  $x_\alpha \rightarrow \nu$  in  $\beta T$  and  $t \in T$ . Since  $f(tx_\alpha) = r_{x_\alpha} f(t)$  and  $(r_{x_\alpha} f)$  is a net in  $\{r_s f, s \in T\}$  which is relatively norm compact in  $C(T)$ , then there exists a subnet  $(x_{\alpha_\beta})$  of

$(x_\alpha)$  and  $g \in C(T)$  such that  $\|r_{x_{\alpha_\beta}} f - g\| \rightarrow 0$ , i.e.,  $|r_{x_{\alpha_\beta}} f(t) - g(t)| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $t \in T$ . It follows that

$$L_\nu f(t) = \lim_\alpha r_{x_\alpha} f(t) = \lim_\beta r_{x_{\alpha_\beta}} f(t) = g(t)$$

for all  $t \in T$ . Thus  $L_\nu f = g \in n - \text{cl}\{r_s f, s \in T\}$ , as required. □

The next theorem get us the equivalent condition for  $\text{AP}(T)$  when  $T$  is oid-semigroup.

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $T$  and  $\beta T$  be semigroups and  $f \in C(T)$ . Then  $f \in \text{AP}(T)$  if and only if  $(\mu, \nu) \rightarrow f^\beta(\mu\nu) : \beta T \times \beta T \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is jointly continuous.*

*Proof.* Necessity: Suppose  $f \in \text{AP}(T)$ , let  $(\mu_\alpha), (\nu_\alpha)$  be nets in  $\beta T$  with  $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow \mu$  and  $\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu$  in  $\beta T$ . Then for each  $\alpha$ ,  $L_{\nu_\alpha} f \in n - \text{cl}\{r_s f : s \in T\}$ . Since  $n - \text{cl}\{r_s f : s \in T\}$  is norm compact in  $C(T)$ , it follows that there exists a subnet  $(\nu_{\alpha_\delta})$  of  $(\nu_\alpha)$  and  $g \in C(T)$  such that  $\|L_{\nu_{\alpha_\delta}} f - g\| \rightarrow 0$ . Now by a similar argument, we have that  $f^\beta(\mu_\alpha \nu_{\alpha_\delta}) \rightarrow f^\beta(\mu\nu)$  i.e.,  $(\mu, \nu) \rightarrow f^\beta(\mu\nu) : \beta T \times \beta T \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is jointly continuous, as desired.

Sufficiency: Suppose  $f \in C(T)$  and  $\varphi : (\mu, \nu) \rightarrow f^\beta(\mu\nu) : \beta T \times \beta T \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is jointly continuous. Then  $\varphi(0, T) \subseteq \varphi(0, \beta T)$ , and for all  $\mu \in \beta T, t \in T$  we have

$$\varphi(\mu, t) = f^\beta(\mu t) = f^\beta(t\mu) = (l_t f)^\beta(\mu).$$

Therefore  $\varphi(0, T) = \{\varphi(0, t) : t \in T\} = \{(l_t f)^\beta : t \in T\}$ . Now it is easy to check that the function  $\varphi$  satisfies all suitable conditions. It follows that  $\nu \rightarrow \varphi(0, \nu) : \beta T \rightarrow C(\beta T)$  is norm continuous. This proves  $\varphi(0, \beta T)$  is norm compact in  $C(\beta T)$ , and therefore  $n - \text{cl}\varphi(0, T)$  is norm compact in  $C(\beta T)$ . Since  $C(T)$  and  $C(\beta T)$  are isometrically isomorphic Banach spaces and  $T$  is a commutative semigroup, it follows that  $n - \text{cl}\{r_t f : t \in T\}$  is norm compact in  $C(T)$ . Thus  $f \in \text{AP}(T)$  and the result now follows. □

The next theorem is a key result in the theory of oid-semigroup  $T$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $T$  be an oid-semigroup and  $f \in C(T)$ ,  $t \in T$ . Then  $l_t f$  is jointly continuous on  $\beta T \times T^\infty$ .*

*Proof.* It is enough to show that  $(\mu, \nu) \rightarrow (l_t f)^\beta(\mu\nu) : \beta T \times T^\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is continuous. Since left continuity holds at each point of  $T$  by definition 3.2, then map  $\mu \rightarrow t\mu$  is continuous from  $\beta T$  into  $\beta T$ . Therefore the composite map  $(\mu, \nu) \rightarrow (t\mu, \nu) \rightarrow f^\beta(t\mu\nu) = (l_t f)^\beta(\mu\nu)$  is continuous from  $\beta T \times T^\infty$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.6.** *Let  $T$  be a commutative oid-semigroup (Definition 3.2). Then the product  $\mu\nu = \mu \circ L_\nu$  can be defined whenever  $\mu, \nu \in \beta T$ . The product  $\mu\nu \in \beta T$  and the formula  $\mu\nu = \mu \circ L_\nu$  is a binary operation on  $\beta T$  relative to which  $\beta T$  is compact right topological semigroup and left continuity holds when  $\mu \in T$ . Moreover,  $t\nu = \nu t$  for  $t \in T$ ,  $\nu \in \beta T$ . Therefore  $\beta T$  contains  $T^\infty$  as a subsemigroup.*

## 4 Universal semigroups “at infinity”

In this section we prove that associated with each commutative standard oid  $T$ , there is a commutative semigroup, called the universal semigroup of the oid  $T$  by starting with the countable subset  $U$  of the oid  $T$  and producing a unique algebraic isomorphism between the universal semigroup of the oid and the free abelian semigroup generated by  $U$  which has a universal mapping property relative to  $U$ . We first give the definition of universal semigroup.

**Definition 4.1.** *Let  $T$  be a commutative standard oid. Then a universal semigroup of  $T$  is a pair  $(\varphi, kT)$  such that  $kT$  is a commutative semigroup,  $\varphi : T \rightarrow kT$  is an oid-map (Definition 3.1) and if  $\psi : T \rightarrow S$  is an oid-map of  $T$  into a commutative semigroup  $S$ , then there exists a unique algebraic*

homomorphism  $\psi^k : kT \rightarrow S$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & kT \\ & \searrow \psi & \downarrow \psi^k \\ & & S \end{array}$$

commutes.

Write  $F_{u_i} = \{1, u_i, u_i^2, u_i^3, \dots\}$  for each  $u_i \in U$ . Then  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} F_{u_i} \setminus \{(1, 1, \dots, 1, \dots)\}$  is called the free abelian semigroup generated by  $U$  and will be denoted by  $F_U$ . We usually write

$$(u_1^{n_1}, u_2^{n_2}, \dots, u_r^{n_r}, \dots) = u_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} u_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots u_{i_k}^{\alpha_k}$$

where  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k \neq 0, \alpha_1 = n_{i_1}, \dots, \alpha_k = n_{i_k}$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $T$  be a standard oid, define  $\theta : T \rightarrow F_U$  by*

$$\theta(u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k}) = u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k}$$

where  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$ . Then  $\theta$  is an injective oid-map.

*Proof.* Straightforward. □

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $S$  be any commutative semigroup. If  $\varphi_0 : T \rightarrow S$  is any oid-map of an oid  $T$  into  $S$  than  $\varphi_0$  can be extended in one and only one way to a homomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $F_U$  into  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Define  $\varphi : F_U \rightarrow S$  by

$$\varphi(u_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} u_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots u_{i_k}^{\alpha_k}) = \varphi_0(u_{i_1})^{\alpha_1} \varphi_0(u_{i_2})^{\alpha_2} \dots \varphi_0(u_{i_k})^{\alpha_k}.$$

Since  $S$  is commutative, it is straightforward to prove that  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism. Now, let  $x = u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k} \in T, i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$  and let  $\varphi_0 : T \rightarrow S$  be an oid-map. Then

$$\varphi_0(x) = \varphi_0(u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k}) = \varphi_0(u_{i_1}) \varphi_0(u_{i_2}) \dots \varphi_0(u_{i_k}) = \varphi(u_{i_1} u_{i_2} \dots u_{i_k}) = \varphi(x).$$

Which implies that  $\varphi|_T = \varphi_0$ . Moreover,  $\varphi$  is unique, for if  $\psi : F_U \rightarrow S$  is to have the required properties then

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(u_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} u_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots u_{i_k}^{\alpha_k}) &= \psi(u_{i_1})^{\alpha_1} \psi(u_{i_2})^{\alpha_2} \dots \psi(u_{i_k})^{\alpha_k} \\ &= \varphi_0(u_{i_1})^{\alpha_1} \varphi_0(u_{i_2})^{\alpha_2} \dots \varphi_0(u_{i_k})^{\alpha_k} \\ &= \varphi(u_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} u_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \dots u_{i_k}^{\alpha_k}) \end{aligned}$$

and we have that  $\psi = \varphi$ , as desired. □

This lemma shows that  $F_U$  is a universal semigroup for  $T$ . We prove next that every universal semigroup is isomorphic to  $F_U$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $(\varphi, kT)$  be a universal semigroup of an oid  $T$  and let  $F_U$  be the free abelian semigroup on  $U$ . Then  $kT$  is algebraically isomorphic to  $F_U$ .*

*Proof.* By lemma 4.2,  $\theta : T \rightarrow F_U$  is an injective oid-map. Since  $(\varphi, kT)$  is a universal semigroup of the oid  $T$  and  $F_U$  is commutative, there exists a unique homomorphism  $\psi : kT \rightarrow F_U$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & kT \\ & \searrow \theta & \downarrow \psi \\ & & F_U \end{array}$$

commutes.

Now  $\varphi : T \rightarrow kT$  is an oid-map,  $kT$  is a commutative semigroup, by lemma 4.3 there exists a unique homomorphism  $\psi' : F_U \rightarrow kT$  such that  $\psi'\theta = \varphi$ . In view of the commuting diagrams:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & kT \\ & \searrow \varphi & \downarrow \text{id} \\ & & kT \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\theta} & F_U \\ & \searrow \theta & \downarrow \text{id} \\ & & F_U \end{array}$$

and the uniqueness of  $\psi' \circ \psi$ , we see that  $\psi' \circ \psi = \text{id}$  and similarly  $\psi \circ \psi' = \text{id}$ .

We conclude that  $\psi$  is an isomorphism and the result follows. □



**Remark 4.5.** Let  $T$  be a standard oid. Suppose in addition that  $T$  is a commutative oid-semigroup so that if the oid product  $xy$  of two elements  $x, y \in T$  is defined, then it is the same as the semigroup product. Since  $\text{id} : T \rightarrow T$  is an oid-map then the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & kT \\ & \searrow \text{id} & \downarrow \theta \\ & & T \end{array}$$

commutes.

Clearly,  $\theta$  is a surmorphism. We denote by  $R(\theta)$  the relation

$$\{(x, y) \in kT \times kT : \theta(x) = \theta(y)\}.$$

Then  $R(\theta)$  is a congruence on  $kT$ . Moreover,  $\frac{kT}{R(\theta)}$  is a quotient semigroup and so by the first isomorphism theorem ([3], chapter 1, Theorem 1.49), the semigroup  $T$  is isomorphic to  $\frac{kT}{R(\theta)}$ .

Any time a topology is used on  $kT$  without explicitly being described, it is assumed to be the discrete topology.

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