

## On semiprime, Prime and Strongly Prime $*$ -bi-ideals in Semigroup with Involution

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### Abstract

In [1] Ahsan and Liu has characterized the prime (semiprime) ideals and right ideals for a semigroup. Furthermore G. Szasz[5] has considered semigroups in which ideals are prime. He has also shown that the ideals of a semigroup  $P$  are prime if and only if  $P$  is intra regular. In this paper we have introduce the concept of semiprime, prime and strongly prime  $*$ -bi-ideals in semigroups with involution. Also we have given characterizations for involution semigroups whose bi-ideals are having all the above properties. Furthermore we have investigated their structural properties by attaching involution on their corresponding ground semigroups. For every involution semigroup  $S$  we denote  $*$ -bi-ideal for bi-ideals in involution semigroup.

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### 1. Introduction

In [1] Ahsan and Liu has characterized the prime (semiprime) ideals and right ideals for a semigroup. Furthermore G. Szasz [5] has considered semigroups in which ideals are prime. All definitions and fundamental concepts concerning semigroups and their involution properties can be found in [2] and [4]. In this section we have given related definitions based on prime, semiprime and strongly prime  $*$ -bi-ideal in involution semigroups. Also we have given some examples. Throughout this paper we have assumed  $S$  with a zero element. For different notations and terminologies the reader is referred to [2]. For every involution semigroup  $S$  we denote  $*$ -bi-ideal for bi-ideals in

semigroup. Let  $B$  be a  $*$ -bi-ideal then  $B(a)$  denote  $*$ -bi-ideal generated by an element  $a$ .

**Definition 1.1:** [6] A  $*$ -semigroup is a set  $S$  equipped with a binary operation  $\cdot$  and a unary operation  $*$ :  $S \rightarrow S$  satisfying the following three axioms:

- (i)  $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z)$
- (ii)  $(a^*)^* = a^{**} = a$
- (iii)  $(ab)^* = b^* a^* \forall a, b \in S$ .

Such a unary operation  $*$  is sometimes called an involution, and  $(S, \cdot, *)$  is sometimes called an involution semigroup.

Let  $A$  be a non-empty subset of a  $*$ -semigroup  $(S, \cdot, *)$  then  $A$  is said to be a  $*$ -subsemigroup of  $S$  if  $ab \in A$  for all  $a, b \in A$ . Where  $*$  is taken as inverse of an element. Somewhere  $*$  is taken as transpose in matrix sense and somewhere it is taken as inverse in general set theoretical sense. A  $*$ -subsemigroup  $B$  of an involution semigroup  $S$  is called a  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$  if  $BSB \subseteq B$  with the condition  $B^* \subseteq B$  and  $B^* = \{b^* \in S: b \in B\}$ [3]. It is well known that intersection of any two  $*$ -bi-ideal of an involution semigroup  $S$  is a  $*$ -bi-ideal and in more general way intersection of a finite number of  $*$ -bi-ideal is again a  $*$ -bi-ideal. Also product of any two  $*$ -bi-ideal is a  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ .

**Definition 1.2:** Let  $B$  be a  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$  then  $B$  is said to be a prime  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$  if  $B_1 B_2 \subseteq B$  implies that  $B_1 \subseteq B$  or  $B_2 \subseteq B$ , where  $B_1, B_2$  both are  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ . Equivalently,  $S - B$  is a  $*$ -semigroup. Analogously we can say that a  $*$ -bi-ideal  $B$  is completely prime if for any two  $b_1, b_2 \in B$  implies that  $b_1 \in B$  or  $b_2 \in B$  where  $b_1, b_2$  being the elements of  $S$ . A  $*$ -bi-ideal  $B$  which is completely prime is prime.

**Example 1.3:** An involution semigroup  $S$  itself is always a prime  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ .

**Examples 1.4:** Suppose that  $S = [0, 1[$  be an involution semigroup under the  $*$  operation taken as inverse of numbers between 0 and 1 with respect to multiplication (Excluding 1) where  $a \in [0, 1[$ . Considering an element  $\frac{1}{2}$  with any other subset  $C_1$  such that,

$S = C_1 \cup \{\frac{1}{2}\}$ . Now suppose  $\circ$  denote commutative multiplication in such a way that:

$$a \circ b = \{ab, \text{ if } a \in C_1, b \in C_1\}$$

$$a \circ b = \{0, \text{ if } a \in C_1, b = \frac{1}{2}\}$$

$$a \circ b = \{\frac{1}{2}, \text{ if } a = \frac{1}{2}, b = \frac{1}{2}\}$$

Then the set  $B = \{0, \frac{1}{2}\}$  is a prime  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ .

**Example 1.5:** Suppose that  $S = M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  be the  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $*$ -semigroup over the semigroup  $\mathbb{Z}_4$ . Then  $P(B) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{13} & a_{14} \end{pmatrix} \mid a_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \right\}$ .

**Definition 1.5:** Let  $B$  be a  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$  then  $B$  is said to be a semiprime  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$  if  $\forall B_1 \in B, B_1^2 \subseteq B \Rightarrow B_1 \subseteq B$ .

**Definition 1.6:** Let  $B$  be a  $*$ -bi-ideal then  $B$  is said to be a strongly prime  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$  if for any two  $*$ -bi-ideals  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  of  $S$  we have,

$$B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1 \subseteq B \Rightarrow B_1 \subseteq B \text{ or } B_2 \subseteq B.$$

**Remarks:** Every strongly prime  $*$ -bi-ideal of an involution semigroup  $S$  is a prime  $*$ -bi-ideal and every prime  $*$ -bi-ideal is a semiprime  $*$ -bi-ideal. A prime  $*$ -bi-ideal is not necessarily strongly prime and a semiprime  $*$ -bi-ideal is not necessarily prime.

**Lemma 1.7:** Now suppose that  $StP(B)$  denote strongly prime  $*$ -bi-ideal,  $SeP(B)$  denote semiprime  $*$ -bi-ideal and  $P(B)$  denote prime  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ . Then  $StP(B) \subseteq P(B) \subseteq SeP(B)$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $B$  is a strongly prime  $*$ -bi-ideal i.e. suppose  $B \in StP(B)$ . Our aim is to show that  $B \in P(B)$ . To that end let  $CD \subseteq B$ . Since  $B$  is strongly prime so  $C \subseteq B$  or  $D \subseteq B$ . So  $B$  is prime. Which implies that  $StP(B) \subseteq P(B)$ . Now suppose that  $C^2 \subseteq B$ . Then clearly,  $CC \subseteq B$  and so  $C \subseteq B$ . Hence  $B$  is semiprime. Finally,  $P(B) \subseteq SeP(B)$ . It follows from the definition itself.

**Example 1.8:** Consider the semigroup  $S = \{0,1,2\}$  defined in tabular form as follows:

.	0	1	2
0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
2	0	1	2

Here  $*$ -bi-ideals of  $S$  are  $\{0\}$ ,  $\{0,1\}$ ,  $\{0,2\}$  and  $\{0,1,2\}$ .

Therefore, all  $*$ -bi-ideals are prime  $*$ -bi-ideals and hence semiprime  $*$ -bi-ideals. However, the prime  $*$ -bi-ideals  $\{0\}$  is not strongly  $\{0\}$  prime  $*$ -bi-ideals because

$$\{0,1\}\{0,2\} \cap \{0,2\}\{0,1\} = \{0,1\} \cap \{0,2\} = \{0\} \subseteq \{0\}.$$

**Example 1.9:** All  $*$ -maximal ideals of involution semigroup  $S$  are strongly prime  $*$ -bi-ideals.

**Lemma 1.10:** Let  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be any two prime  $*$ -bi-ideals of an involution semigroup  $S$  then  $B_1 \cap B_2$  is a prime  $*$ -bi-ideals then either  $B_1 \subseteq B_2$  or  $B_2 \subseteq B_1$ .

**Proof:** It is clear that  $B_1 B_2 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$ . Because  $B_1 \cap B_2$  is prime  $*$ -bi-ideals (By assumption) of  $S$  so either  $B_1 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$  or  $B_2 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$  and hence either  $B_1 \subseteq B_2$  or  $B_2 \subseteq B_1$ .

**Theorem 1.11:** For an involution semigroup  $S$  the following assertions are true:

- (i)  $B^2 = B$  for every  $*$ -bi-ideal  $B$  of  $S$ .
- (ii)  $B_1 \cap B_2 = B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1$  for all  $*$ -bi-ideal  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  of  $S$ .
- (iii) Each  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$  is semiprime.

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be any two  $*$ -bi-ideals of  $S$ . Then by our hypothesis,

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 \cap B_2 &= (B_1 \cap B_2)^2 \\ &= (B_1 \cap B_2) (B_1 \cap B_2) \\ &\subseteq B_1 \end{aligned}$$

In the similar way,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } B_1 \cap B_2 &\subseteq B_2 B_1 \\ B_1 \cap B_2 &\subseteq B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1 \end{aligned}$$

Here it is clear that  $B_1 B_2$  and  $B_2 B_1$  both are  $*$ -bi-ideals being the product of  $*$ -bi-ideals. Moreover  $B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1$  is also a  $*$ -bi-ideals. And hence,

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1 &= (B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1) (B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1) \\ &\subseteq B_1 B_2 B_2 B_1 \\ &\subseteq B_1 S B_1 \\ &\subseteq B_1 \end{aligned}$$

In the same way we can have,

$$B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1 \subseteq B_2$$

And hence we can say that,

$$B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$$

Therefore by above two conditions we have,

$$B_1 B_2 \cap B_2 B_1 = B_1 \cap B_2$$

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv). For this we let that  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be any two  $*$ -bi-ideals of  $S$  such that  $B_1^2 \subseteq B$ . Which implies by our supposition that,

$$B_1 = B_1 \cap B_1 = B_1 B_1 \cap B_1 B_1 = B_1^2$$

So,

$$B_1 \subseteq B.$$

Hence every  $*$ -bi-ideal is semiprime.

**Lemma 1.12:** The intersection of family of prime  $*$ -bi-ideals of a commutative involution semigroup is a semiprime  $*$ -bi-ideals.

**Proof:** We'll show this result for two prime  $*$ -bi-ideals and then generalize for family of prime  $*$ -bi-ideals. Suppose that  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  be any two prime  $*$ -bi-ideals of an involution semigroup  $S$ . Now for any  $x \in S$ ,  $x^2 \in B_1 \cap B_2 \Rightarrow x^2 \in B_1$  and  $x^2 \in B_2$ . Since  $B_1$  is a prime  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ . Therefore,  $x^2 = x.x \in B_1 \Rightarrow x \in B_1$ . In the same way,  $x^2 = x.x \in B_2 \Rightarrow x \in B_2$ . Hence  $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$ .

**Theorem1.13:** Let  $S$  be a semigroup with involution then the following assertion are true:

- (i)  $(A)^2 = A$  for every  $*$ -bi-ideal  $A$  of  $S$ .
- (ii)  $A \cap C = AC$  for every  $*$ -bi-ideals  $A$  and  $C$  of  $S$ .
- (iii)  $B(a) \cap B(b) = B(a)B(b)$  for all  $a, b \in S$ .
- (iv)  $B(a) = (B(a))^2$  for all  $a \in S$ .
- (v)  $a \in (B a B a B)$  for all  $a \in S$ .

**Proof:** (i) is followed by (ii): Consider  $A$  and  $C$  be  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ . Then  $AC \subseteq AS \subseteq A$  in other way  $AC \subseteq SC \subseteq C$  i.e;  $AC \subseteq A \cap C$ . As  $A \cap C$  is a  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ [give reference of intersection of bi-ideal in again a bi-ideal] therefore we have,

$$A \cap C = (A \cap C)^2 = (A \cap C)(A \cap C) \subseteq AC.$$

(iii) is followed by (iv): For this we consider that  $a, b \in S$ . Since  $B(a), B(b)$  are  $*$ -bi-ideal of  $S$ . Hence,

$$B(a) \cap B(b) = B(a)B(b) \text{ by (ii).}$$

(iv) is followed by (v): Straight forward.

(v) is followed by (v): Let  $a \in S$ . Here  $B(a) = (B(a))^2$  thus we have,

$$\begin{aligned} (B(a))^2 &= (B(a))^2 B(a) \subseteq (B(a))^3 \subseteq (B(a))^3 B(a) \subseteq (B(a))^4 \\ &\Rightarrow (B(a))^4 \subseteq (B(a))^5. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have,

$$\begin{aligned} B(a) &= (B(a))^2 \subseteq (B(a))^3 \subseteq (B(a))^4 \\ &= (B(a))^4 \subseteq (B(a))^5 = (B(a))^5 \\ &\subseteq (S B(a)) \subseteq (B(a)) = (B(a)) \\ &\Rightarrow B(a) = (B(a))^5. \end{aligned}$$

In the similar way we can have,

$$\begin{aligned} (B(a))^3 &= ((a \cup S a \cup a S \cup S a S))^3 \\ &\subseteq ((a \cup S a \cup a S \cup S a S))^2 (a \cup S a \cup a S \cup S a S) \\ &\subseteq (S a \cup S a S) (a \cup S a \cup a S \cup S a S) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\subseteq (Sa \cup SaS)(a \cup Sa \cup aS \cup SaS) \subseteq SaS \\
\Rightarrow (B(a))^4 &\subseteq (SaS)(a \cup Sa \cup aS \cup SaS) \\
&\subseteq (SaSa \cup SaS^2a \cup SaSaS \cup SaS^2aS) \\
&= (SaSa \cup SaSaS) \\
\Rightarrow (B(a))^5 &\subseteq (SaSa \cup SaSaS)(a \cup Sa \cup aS \cup SaS) \\
&\subseteq (SaSaS).
\end{aligned}$$

And hence finally we have,

$$a \in B(a) = (B(a))^5 \subseteq (SaSaS) = SaSaS.$$

(v) is followed by (l): For this we suppose that  $B_1$  be \*-bi-ideal of S. Next suppose that  $x \in B_1^2$ . Since  $B_1$  is a \*-bi-ideal of S. Therefore,  $ab \in B_1$ .

Further let  $x \in B_1$  then by (v),  $x \in (BxBxB)$ . Also since,

$(tx)n \in (SB_1)S \subseteq B_1S \subseteq B_1$ , also  $xk \in B_1S \subseteq B_1$ . Therefore we have,  $x \in B_1^2$  for some  $t, n, k \in S$ .

**Theorem 1.14:** Let S denote semigroup with involution and B be \*-bi-ideal of S then B is strongly prime \*-bi-ideal of S if and only if one of the five equivalent conditions of lemma 1.9 holds in S.

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