

Topological Structures on LA-Semigroups

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Abstract. In this short paper topological spaces using ideal theory on LA-semigroups are introduced. The formation of topological spaces guarantee preservation of finite intersection and arbitrary union between the set of ideals and the open subsets of resultant topologies.

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1. Introduction

An LA-semigroup (LA-semigroup) [2] is a groupoid S with left invertive law

$$(1.1) \quad (ab)c = (cb)a, \text{ for all } a, b, c \in S.$$

Every LA-semigroup S satisfy the medial law [2]

$$(1.2) \quad (ab)(cd) = (ac)(bd), \text{ for all } a, b, c, d \in S.$$

In every LA-semigroup with left identity the following laws [5] hold

$$(1.3) \quad (ab)(cd) = (db)(ca), \text{ for all } a, b, c, d \in S.$$

$$(1.4) \quad a(bc) = b(ac), \text{ for all } a, b, c, d \in S.$$

Many characteristics of LA-semigroups are similar to a commutative semigroup. Some of these are studied in [3] and [4].

The aim of this short paper is to show that in appropriate LA-semigroups, certain interesting sets of ideals are in fact closed under arbitrary union and finite intersection. This is accomplished via the introduction of new topological structures to this setting.

As in [1], a subset I of an LA-semigroup S is called a right (left) ideal if $IS \subseteq I$ ($SI \subseteq I$), and is called an ideal if it is two sided ideal. If I is a left ideal of an LA-semigroup S with left identity then using (1.1) and (1.4), I^2 becomes an ideal of S . By a bi-ideal of an LA-semigroup S , we mean an LA-sub-semigroup B of S such that $(BS)B \subseteq B$. It is easy to see

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that each right ideal is a bi-ideal. If S has a left identity and B is a bi-ideal of S then, using the fact that $ab = (ba)e$ for any $\{a, b\} \subseteq S$, it follows that B^2 is a bi-ideal of S and that $B^2 \subseteq SB^2 = B^2S$ because

$$\begin{aligned} [(b_1b_2)s](b_3b_4) &= [(b_1b_2)b_3](sb_4) = [(b_1b_2)b_3][(b_4s)e] \\ &= [(b_1b_2)(b_4s)](b_3e) = \{[(b_4s)b_2]b_1\}(b_3e) \\ &= [(b_3e)b_1][(b_4s)b_2] \in B^2. \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$s(b_1b_2) = (es)[(b_2b_1)e] = [e(b_2b_1)](se) \in B^2S.$$

Then

$$(b_1b_2)s = (sb_2)b_1 = [(es)b_2](eb_1) = [(es)e](b_2b_1) \in SB^2.$$

If $E(B_S)$ denotes the set of all idempotents subsets of S with left identity e , then $E(B_S)$ forms a semilattice structure. Also, if $C = C^2$ then $(CS)C \in E(B_S)$. The intersection of any set of bi-ideals of an LA-semigroup S is either empty or a bi-ideal of S . Also the intersection of prime bi-ideals of an LA-semigroup S is a semiprime bi-ideal of S .

An element a_0 of an LA-semigroup S is called a left (right) zero if $a_0a = a_0(aa_0 = a_0)$ for all $a \in S$ and is called zero if $a_0a = aa_0 = a_0$, for all $a \in S$. We denote the zero element of S (if it contains one) by 0 . Now if $0 \in S$, then $0s = s0 = 0$, for all s in S . Let us denote an LA-semigroup S with 0 by S^0 .

Example 1.1. Let $S^0 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Then S^0 under the binary operation “ \cdot ” defined below is an LA-semigroup with 0 .

\cdot	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	2	3	1
2	0	1	2	3
3	0	3	1	2

Proposition 1.1. If T is a left ideal and B is a bi-ideal of an LA-semigroup S with left identity, then BT and T^2B are bi-ideals of S .

Proof. Using (1.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} ((BT)S)(BT) &= ((BT)B)(ST) \subseteq ((BS)B)T \subseteq BT, \\ \text{and } (BT)(BT) &= (BB)(TT) \subseteq BT. \end{aligned}$$

Hence BT is a bi-ideal of S . By using (1.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ((T^2B)S)(T^2B) &= ((T^2S)(BS))(T^2B) \subseteq (T^2(BS))(T^2B) \\ &= (T^2T^2)((BS)B) \subseteq T^2B, \text{ and} \\ (T^2B)(T^2B) &= (T^2T^2)(BB) \subseteq T^2B. \end{aligned}$$

Hence T^2B is a bi-ideal of S . ■

Proposition 1.2. The product of two bi-ideals of an LA-semigroup S with left identity is a bi-ideal of S .

Proof. Using (1.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} ((B_1B_2)S)(B_1B_2) &= ((B_1B_2)(SS))(B_1B_2) = ((B_1S)(B_2S))(B_1B_2) \\ &= ((B_1S)B_1)((B_2S)B_2) \subseteq B_1B_2. \end{aligned}$$

The above proposition leads to easy generalizations. That is, if B_1, B_2, B_3, \dots and B_n are bi-ideals of an LA-semigroup S with left identity, then

$$(\dots((B_1B_2)B_3)\dots)B_n \text{ and } (\dots((B_1^2B_2^2)B_3^2)\dots)B_n^2$$

are bi-ideals of S . Consequently, the set $\mathcal{C}(S_B)$ of bi-ideals, forms an LA-semigroup.

If S is an LA-semigroup with left identity e then $\langle a \rangle_L = Sa$, $\langle a \rangle_R = aS$ and $\langle a \rangle_S = (Sa)S$ are bi-ideals of S . It is then easy to show that $\langle ab \rangle_L = \langle a \rangle_L \langle b \rangle_L$, $\langle ab \rangle_R = \langle a \rangle_R \langle b \rangle_R$, and $\langle ab \rangle_S = \langle b \rangle_S \langle a \rangle_S$. This implies that $\langle a \rangle_R \langle b \rangle_R = \langle b \rangle_L \langle a \rangle_L$ and $\langle a \rangle_L \langle b \rangle_L = \langle b \rangle_R \langle a \rangle_R$. Also $\langle a \rangle_L \langle b \rangle_R = \langle b \rangle_L \langle a \rangle_R$, $\langle a^2 \rangle_L = [\langle a \rangle_L]^2$, $\langle a^2 \rangle_R = [\langle a \rangle_R]^2$, $\langle a^2 \rangle_L = \langle a^2 \rangle_R$ and $\langle a \rangle_L = \langle a \rangle_R$ provided a is an idempotent. Consequently, $\langle a^2 \rangle_L = \langle a^2 \rangle_R$ implying further that $\langle a \rangle_R a^2 = a^2 \langle a \rangle_L$.

Lemma 1.1. *If B is an idempotent bi-ideal of an LA-semigroup S with left identity, then B is an ideal of S .*

Proof. Using (1.1),

$$BS = (BB)S = (SB)B = (SB^2)B = (B^2S)B = (BS)B,$$

imply that every right ideal in S with left identity is left. ■

Lemma 1.2. *If B is a proper bi-ideal of an LA-semigroup S with left identity e , then $e \notin B$.*

Proof. Let $e \in B$. Then $sb = (es)b \in B$ together with (1.1), imply that $s = (ee)s = (se)e \in (SB)B \subseteq B$. ■

Proposition 1.3. *If A, B are bi-ideals of an LA-semigroup S with left identity, then the following assertions are equivalent.*

- (i) *Every bi-ideal of S is idempotent,*
- (ii) *$A \cap B = AB$, and*
- (iii) *the ideals of S form a semilattice (L_S, \wedge) where $A \wedge B = AB$.*

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii): Using Lemma 1.1, it is easy to deduce that $AB \subseteq A \cap B$. Since $A \cap B \subseteq A, B$ implies that $(A \cap B)^2 \subseteq AB$, and so $A \cap B \subseteq AB$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): $A \wedge B = AB = A \cap B = B \cap A = B \wedge A$ and $A \wedge A = AA = A \cap A = A$. Associativity follows similarly. Hence (L_S, \wedge) is a semilattice.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i):

$$A = A \wedge A = AA. \quad \blacksquare$$

A bi-ideal B of an LA-semigroup S is called a *prime* bi-ideal if $B_1B_2 \subseteq B$ implies either $B_1 \subseteq B$ or $B_2 \subseteq B$ for every bi-ideal B_1 and B_2 of S . The set of bi-ideals of S is totally ordered under inclusion if for all bi-ideals I, J either $I \subseteq J$ or $J \subseteq I$.

Theorem 1.1. *Let S be an LA-semigroup with left identity e . Then every bi-ideal of S is prime if and only if every bi-ideal of S is idempotent and the set of bi-ideals of S is totally ordered under inclusion.*

Proof. Let B be a bi-ideal of S . By Proposition 1.2, B^2 is prime. This implies that $B \subseteq B^2$ and hence B is idempotent. Therefore, if B_1 and B_2 are bi-ideals of S , then by Proposition 1.3, $B_1 \cap B_2$ is a bi-ideal of S and therefore by the hypothesis is prime. By Lemma 1.1, $B_1 B_2 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$ and therefore either $B_1 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$ or $B_2 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$. That is, either $B_1 \subseteq B_2$ or $B_2 \subseteq B_1$.

Conversely, let B_1, B_2 and B be bi-ideals of S with $B_1 B_2 \subseteq B$. Assume that $B_1 \subseteq B_2$. Since B_1 is idempotent, $B_1 = B_1 B_1 \subseteq B_1 B_2 \subseteq B$ implies that $B_1 \subseteq B$. Similarly, $B_2 \subseteq B_1$ implies that $B_2 \subseteq B$. Hence B is prime. ■

An element a of an LA-semigroup S is called *intra-regular* if there exist elements $x, y \in S$ such that $a = (xa^2)y$. An LA-semigroup S is called *intra-regular* if every element of S is intra-regular.

Example 1.2. Let $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ be an LA-semigroup, with left identity 4, defined by the following multiplication table.

\cdot	1	2	3	4	5
1	4	5	1	2	3
2	3	4	5	1	2
3	2	3	4	5	1
4	1	2	3	4	5
5	5	1	2	3	4

Clearly (S, \cdot) is intra-regular because $(2 \cdot 1^2) \cdot 3 = 1, (1 \cdot 2^2) \cdot 5 = 2, (2 \cdot 3^2) \cdot 5 = 3, (4 \cdot 4^2) \cdot 4 = 4$ and $(3 \cdot 5^2) \cdot 1 = 5$.

Lemma 1.3. If B_1 and B_2 are bi-ideals of an intra-regular LA-semigroup S with left identity, then $B_1 \cup B_2$ is a bi-ideal of S .

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 [(B_1 \cup B_2)S](B_1 \cup B_2) &= (B_1 S \cup B_2 S)(B_1 \cup B_2) \\
 &= (B_1 S)(B_1 \cup B_2) \cup B_2 S(B_1 \cup B_2) \\
 &= (B_1 S)B_1 \cup (B_1 S)B_2 \cup (B_2 S)B_1 \cup (B_2 S)B_2 \\
 &\subseteq B_1 \cup (B_1 S)B_2 \cup (B_2 S)B_1 \cup B_2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $(bs)a \in (B_1 S)B_2$, where $b \in B_1, s \in S$ and $a \in B_2$. Since S is intra-regular, therefore for $a \in S$ there exist $x, y \in S$ such that $(xa^2)y$. Using (1.4), (1.1), (1.3) and (1.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (bs)a &= (bs)((xa^2)y) = (xa^2)((bs)y) = (x(aa))((bs)y) \\
 &= (a(xa))((bs)y) = [((bs)y)(xa)]a \\
 &= [((bs)y)(x(xa^2)y))]a = [((bs)y)((xa^2)(xy))]a \\
 &= [(xa^2)((bs)y)(xy)]a = [((xy)((bs)y))(a^2x)]a \\
 &= [a^2(((xy)((bs)y))x)]a \in (B_2 S)B_2 \subseteq B_2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can show that $(B_2 S)B_1 \subseteq B_1$. Therefore $[(B_1 \cup B_2)S](B_1 \cup B_2) \subseteq B_1 \cup B_2$. Hence $B_1 \cup B_2$ is a bi-ideal of S . ■

A bi-ideal B of an LA-semigroup S is called a *strongly irreducible* bi-ideal if $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq B$ implies that either $B_1 \subseteq B$ or $B_2 \subseteq B$ for every bi-ideal B_1 and B_2 of S .

Theorem 1.2. *The set \mathcal{D} of all bi-ideals of an intra-regular LA semi-group S^0 with 0 and left identity, is closed under finite intersection and arbitrary union.*

Proof. Let Ω be the set of all strongly irreducible proper bi-ideals of S^0 . Then $\Gamma(\Omega) = \{O_B : B \in \mathcal{D}\}$, forms a topology on the set Ω , where $O_B = \{J \in \Omega; B \not\subseteq J\}$ and $\phi : \text{bi-ideal}(S^0) \rightarrow \Gamma(\Omega)$ preserves finite intersection and arbitrary union between the set of bi-ideals of S^0 and open subsets of Ω . As $\{0\}$ is a bi-ideal of S^0 , and 0 belongs to every bi-ideal of S^0 , therefore $O_{\{0\}} = \{J \in \Omega, \{0\} \not\subseteq J\} = \{\}$. Also $O_{S^0} = \{J \in \Omega, S^0 \not\subseteq J\} = \Omega$ which is the first axiom for the topology. If $\{O_{B_\alpha} : \alpha \in I\} \subseteq \Gamma(\Omega)$, then $\cup O_{B_\alpha} = \{J \in \Omega, B_\alpha \not\subseteq J, \text{ for some } \alpha \in I\} = \{J \in \Omega, \langle \cup B_\alpha \rangle \not\subseteq J\} = O_{\cup B_\alpha}$, where $\langle \cup B_\alpha \rangle$ is a bi-ideal of S^0 generated by $\cup B_\alpha$ and by Lemma 1.3, $\cup B_\alpha$ is a bi-ideal. Let O_{B_1} and $O_{B_2} \in \Gamma(\Omega)$. If $J \in O_{B_1} \cap O_{B_2}$, then $J \in \Omega$ and $B_1 \not\subseteq J, B_2 \not\subseteq J$. Suppose $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq J$. This implies that either $B_1 \subseteq J$ or $B_2 \subseteq J$, implying a contradiction. Hence $B_1 \cap B_2 \not\subseteq J$ which further implies that $J \in O_{B_1 \cap B_2}$. Thus $O_{B_1} \cap O_{B_2} \subseteq O_{B_1 \cap B_2}$. Now if $J \in O_{B_1 \cap B_2}$, then $J \in \Omega$ and $B_1 \cap B_2 \not\subseteq J$. Thus $J \in O_{B_1}$ and $J \in O_{B_2}$. Therefore $J \in O_{B_1} \cap O_{B_2}$, which implies that $O_{B_1 \cap B_2} \subseteq O_{B_1} \cap O_{B_2}$. Hence $\Gamma(\Omega)$ is the topology on Ω . Define $\phi : \text{bi-ideal}(S^0) \rightarrow \Gamma(\Omega)$ by $\phi(B) = O_B$. Then it is easy to see that ϕ preserves finite intersection and arbitrary union. ■

An ideal P of an LA-semigroup S is called a *strongly irreducible* ideal if $A \cap B \subseteq P$ implies that either $A \subseteq P$ or $B \subseteq P$ for all ideals A and B in S .

Let P_{S^0} denote the set of proper strongly irreducible ideals of an LA-semigroup S^0 . For an ideal I of S^0 define the set $\Theta_I = \{J \in P_{S^0} : I \not\subseteq J\}$ and $\Gamma(P_{S^0}) = \{\Theta_I, I \text{ is an ideal of } S^0\}$.

Theorem 1.3. *The set $\Gamma(P_{S^0})$ constitute a topology on the set P_{S^0} .*

Proof. Let $\Theta_{I_1}, \Theta_{I_2} \in \Gamma(P_{S^0})$. If $J \in \Theta_{I_1} \cap \Theta_{I_2}$, then $J \in P_{S^0}$ and $I_1 \not\subseteq J$ and $I_2 \not\subseteq J$. Let $I_1 \cap I_2 \subseteq J$ which implies that either $I_1 \subseteq J$ or $I_2 \subseteq J$; implying a contradiction. Hence $J \in \Theta_{I_1 \cap I_2}$. Similarly $\Theta_{I_1 \cap I_2} \subseteq \Theta_{I_1} \cap \Theta_{I_2}$. The rest of the proof follows immediately from the proof of Theorem 1.2. ■

The assignment $I \rightarrow \Theta_I$ preserves finite intersection and arbitrary union between the ideal(S^0) and their corresponding open subsets of Θ_I .

Let P be a left ideal of an LA-semigroup S . Then P is called *quasi-prime* if for left ideals A, B of S such that $AB \subseteq P$, we have $A \subseteq P$ or $B \subseteq P$.

Theorem 1.4. *If S is an LA-semigroup S with left identity e , then a left ideal P of S is quasi-prime if and only if $(Sa)b \subseteq P$ implies that either $a \in P$ or $b \in P$.*

Proof. Let P be a left ideal of an LA-semigroup S with left identity e . If $(Sa)b \subseteq P$ then

$$S((Sa)b) \subseteq SP \subseteq P, \text{ that is}$$

$$S((Sa)b) = (Sa)(Sb).$$

Hence, either $a \in P$ or $b \in P$.

Conversely, assume that $AB \subseteq P$ where A and B are left ideals of S such that $A \not\subseteq P$. Then there exists $x \in A$ such that $x \notin P$. Now using the hypothesis we get $(Sx)y \subseteq (SA)B \subseteq AB \subseteq P$ for all $y \in B$. Since $x \notin P$, so by hypothesis, $y \in P$ for all $y \in B$, we obtain $B \subseteq P$. This shows that P is quasi-prime. ■

An LA-semigroup S is said to be an *anti-rectangular* if $a = (ba)b$, for all a, b in S . It is straight forward to see that $S = S^2$.

Proposition 1.4. *If A and B are ideals of an anti-rectangular LA-semigroup S , then AB is an ideal.*

Proof. Using (1.2), we get

$$(AB)S = (AB)(SS) = (AS)(BS) \subseteq AB, \text{ and } S(AB) = (SS)(AB) = (SA)(SB) \subseteq AB$$

which shows that AB is an ideal. ■

Consequently, if I_1, I_2, I_3, \dots and I_n are ideals of S , then

$$(\dots((I_1 I_2) I_3) \dots I_n) \quad \text{and} \quad (\dots((I_1^2 I_2^2) I_3^2) \dots I_n^2)$$

are ideals of S and the set S_I of ideals of S form an anti-rectangular LA-semigroup.

Lemma 1.4. *Any subset of an anti-rectangular LA-semigroup S is left ideal if and only if it is right.*

Proof. Let I be a right ideal of S , then using (1.1), we get, $si = ((xs)x)i = (ix)(xs) \in I$.

Conversely, suppose that I be a left prime ideal of S , then using (1.1), we get, $is = ((yi)y)s = (sy)(yi) \in I$. ■

Therefore $SI = IS$. From above lemma we remark that each quasi prime ideal in an anti-rectangular LA-semigroup is in fact prime.

Lemma 1.5. *If I is an ideal of an anti-rectangular LA-semigroup S then, $H(a) = \{x \in S : (xa)x = a, \text{ for } a \in I\} \subseteq I$.*

Proof. If $y \in H(a)$, then $y = (ya)y \in (SI)S \subseteq I$. Hence $H(a) \subseteq I$.

Also $H(a) = \{x \in S : (xa)x = x, \text{ for } a \in I\} \subseteq I$. ■

An ideal I of an LA-semigroup S is called an *idempotent* if $I^2 = I$. An LA-semigroup S is said to be *fully idempotent* if every ideal of S is idempotent.

Proposition 1.5. *If S is an anti-rectangular LA-semigroup and A, B are ideals of S , then the following assertions are equivalent.*

- (i) S is fully idempotent,
- (ii) $A \cap B = AB$, and
- (iii) the ideals of S form a semilattice (L_S, \wedge) where $A \wedge B = AB$.

It follows easily from Proposition 1.4.

The set of ideals of S is totally ordered under inclusion if for all ideals I, J either $I \subseteq J$ or $J \subseteq I$. It is denoted by $\text{ideal}(S)$.

Theorem 1.5. *Every ideal of an anti-rectangular LA-semigroup S is prime if and only if it is idempotent and $\text{ideal}(S)$ is totally ordered under inclusion.*

It follows easily from Theorem 1.1.

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