

# Another Structure of Weakly Left C-wrpp Semigroups

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**Abstract**—It is known that a left C-wrpp semigroup can be described as curler structure of a left band and a C-wrpp semigroup. In this paper, we introduce the class of weakly left C-wrpp semigroups which includes the class of weakly left C-rpp semigroups as a subclass. We shall particularly show that the spined product of a left C-wrpp semigroup and a right normal band is a weakly left C-wrpp semigroup. Some equivalent characterizations of weakly left C-wrpp semigroups are obtained. Our results extend that of left C-wrpp semigroups.

**Keywords**—Left C-wrpp semigroup, left quasi normal regular band, weakly left C-wrpp semigroup.

## I. INTRODUCTION

**T**HROUGHOUT this paper, we adopt the notation and terminologies given by Howei[1] and Du[2].

Tang[3] considered a Green-like right congruence relation  $\mathcal{L}^{**}$  on a semigroup  $S$ : for  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a\mathcal{L}^{**}b$  if and only if  $axRay \Leftrightarrow bxRby$  for all  $x, y \in S^1$ . Moreover, Tang pointed out in [3] that a semigroup  $S$  is a wrpp semigroup if and only if each  $\mathcal{L}^{**}$ -class of  $S$  contains at least one idempotent.

Recall that a wrpp semigroup  $S$  is a C-wrpp semigroup if the idempotents of  $S$  are central. It is well known that a semigroup  $S$  is a C-wrpp semigroup if and only if  $S$  is a strong semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoids(see[3]). Because a Clifford semigroup can be expressed as a strong semilattice of groups and a C-rpp semigroup can be expressed as a strong semilattice of left cancellative monoids(see[4-9]), we see immediately that the concept of C-wrpp semigroups is a common generalization of Clifford semigroups and C-rpp semigroups.

For wrpp semigroups, Du-Shum [2] first introduced the concept of left C-wrpp semigroups, that is, a left C-wrpp semigroup whose satisfy the following conditions: (i) for all  $e \in E(L_a^{**})$ ,  $a = ae$ , where  $E(L_a^{**})$  is the set of idempotents in  $L_a^{**}$ ; (ii) for all  $a \in S$ , there exists a unique idempotent  $a^+$  satisfying  $a\mathcal{L}^{**}a^+$  and  $a = a^+a$ ; (iii) for all  $a \in S$ ,  $aS \subseteq L^{**}(a)$ , where  $L^{**}(a)$  is the smallest left  $**$ -ideal of  $S$  generated by  $a$ . For such semigroups, Du-Shum[2] gave a method of construction.

Zhang[10] showed that the spined product of a left C-wrpp semigroup and a right normal band which is a weakly left C-wrpp semigroup by virtue of left C-full Ehreman cybergroups. In this paper, we first define the concept of

weakly left C-wrpp semigroups. A equivalent descriptions of weakly left C-wrpp semigroups is therefore obtained and our results generalize that of Cao on weakly left C-rpp in[5]. In view of the theorems given in this paper, one can easily observe that the results of weakly left C-wrpp semigroups are a common generalizations of weakly left C-semigroups and left C-wrpp semigroups in range of wrpp semigroups.

## II. PRELIMINARIES

We first recall some known results used in the sequel. To start with, we introduce the concept of simi-spined product.

Let  $T = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} T_\alpha$  and  $I = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} I_\alpha$  be the semilattice decomposition of the semigroups  $T$  and  $I$  with respect to semilattice  $Y$  respectively. For all  $\alpha \in Y$ , we denote the direct product  $I_\alpha \times T_\alpha$  by  $S_\alpha$ . Let  $S = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} S_\alpha$ . we define the mapping  $\eta$  by the following rules:

$\eta: S \rightarrow T_l(I)$ ,  $(i, a) \mapsto \eta(i, a)$ ,  $\eta(i, a): I \rightarrow I$ ,  $j \mapsto (i, a)^{\#}j$ , where  $T_l(I)$  is a left transformation semigroup on  $I$ . Suppose that the mapping  $\eta$  satisfies the following conditions:

(Q1) If  $(i, a) \in S_\alpha$ ,  $j \in I_\beta$ , then  $(i, a)^{\#}j \in I_{\alpha\beta}$ ;

(Q2) If  $(i, a) \in S_\alpha$ ,  $(j, b) \in S_\beta$  with  $\alpha \leq \beta$ , then  $(i, a)^{\#}j = ij$ , where  $ij$  is the semigroup product in the semigroup  $I = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} I_\alpha$ ;

(Q3) If  $(i, a) \in S_\alpha$ ,  $(j, b) \in S_\beta$ , then  $\eta(i, a)\eta(j, b) = \eta((i, a)^{\#}j, ab)$ , where  $ab$  is the semigroup product in the semigroup  $T = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} T_\alpha$ .

Then we define a multiplication "  $\circ$  " on  $S = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} S_\alpha$  by  $(i, a) \circ (j, b) = ((i, a)^{\#}j, ab)$ . By a straightforward verification, we can prove that the multiplication "  $\circ$  " satisfies the associative law and hence  $(S, \circ)$  becomes a semigroup, denoted by  $S = I \times_{\eta} T$ . We call this semigroup the semi-spined product of  $I$  and  $T$  with respect to the structure mapping  $\eta$ .

**Lemma 1**[2] Let  $I$  be a left regular band which is expressed as a semilattice of left zero bands  $I_\alpha$  (that is,  $I = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} I_\alpha$ ) and let  $T = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} T_\alpha$  be a C-wrpp semigroup(that is,  $T$  is a strong semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoids  $[Y; T_\alpha, \phi_{\alpha, \beta}]$ (see[3]). If the structure mapping  $\eta$  satisfies the following condition:

(Q):  $\ker \eta(i, a) = \ker \eta(j, b)$  for every  $(i, a), (j, b) \in S_\alpha$ . Then  $S$  is a left C-wrpp semigroup. Conversely, every left C-wrpp semigroup  $S$  can be constructed in terms of above method.

**Lemma 2**[5] A semigroup  $S$  is a weakly left C-semigroup, that is,  $S$  is a regular semigroup and

$$(\forall e \in E(S))\eta'_e: S \rightarrow eS, x \mapsto ex$$

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is a homomorphism if and only if  $S$  is a completely regular and  $E(S)$  is a left quasi-normal band.

**Lemma 3**[2] If  $S$  is a left C-wrpp, then  $\text{Reg}S$  is a left C-semigroup.

**Lemma 4**[7] A band  $B$  is a left normal band (that is, a band satisfies identity  $efeg = efg$ ) if and only if Green relation  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  are congruence on  $B$  and  $B/R$  is a right normal band.

**Definition 1** A monoid  $T$  is called a left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoid if for  $a, b, c \in T$ ,  $(ab, ac) \in \mathcal{R}$  implies  $(b, c) \in \mathcal{R}$ . We call the direct product of a left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoid  $T$  and a rectangular band  $I$  a left cancellative plank because the direct product looks like a two-dimensional plank. We denote the left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative plank by  $I \times T$ .

**Lemma 5**[2] Let  $I = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} I_\alpha$  be a semilattice of left zero bands, and  $T = [Y; T_\alpha, \phi_{\alpha, \beta}]$  a strong semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoids  $T_\alpha$ . Then  $(i, a)\mathcal{R}(j, b)$  if and only if  $a\mathcal{R}b$  and  $i = j$  for any  $(i, a), (j, b) \in S = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} (I_\alpha \times T_\alpha)$ .

### III. THE WEAKLY LEFT C-WRPP SEMIGROUPS

In this section, the concept of weakly left C-wrpp semigroups is introduced. We shall give equivalent characterization for the structure of weakly left C-wrpp semigroups. First, we introduce the concept of weakly left C-wrpp semigroups.

**Definition 2** A semigroup  $S$  is called a weakly left C-wrpp semigroup, if  $S$  is isomorphic to a semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative planks, and

$$(\forall e \in E(S))\eta'_e : S \rightarrow eS, x \mapsto ex$$

is a homomorphism.

We now characterize the weakly left C-wrpp semigroups.

**Theorem 1** Let  $S$  be a semigroup. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $S$  is a weakly left C-wrpp semigroup;
- (2)  $S$  is a semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative planks, and  $\text{Reg}S$  is a weakly left C-semigroup;
- (3)  $S$  is a semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative planks, and  $E(S)$  is a left quasi-normal band;
- (4)  $S$  is a spined product of left C-wrpp semigroup and a right normal band.

**Proof.** (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2). We only need show that  $\text{Reg}S$  is a weakly left C-semigroup. Let  $a, b \in \text{Reg}S$ . Then there exists  $x, y \in S$  such that  $a = axa, x = xax, b = byb$ . So  $e = xa \in E(S)$ . According to (1), we know that  $\eta'_e$  is a semigroup homomorphism from  $S$  to  $eS$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} ab &= axabyb = a\eta'_e[(by)b] = a\eta'_e(by)\eta'_e(b) \\ &= axabyxab = (ab)(yx)(ab) \end{aligned}$$

So  $ab \in \text{Reg}S$ . Therefore,  $\text{Reg}S$  is a subsemigroup of  $S$ . Again  $E(\text{Reg}S) = E(S)$ , according to Lemma 3, we obtain  $\text{Reg}S$  is a weakly left C-semigroup.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (3). Clearly, we omit it.

(3) $\Rightarrow$ (4). Let  $S = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} (I_\alpha \times T_\alpha \times \Lambda_\alpha)$  is a semilattice decomposition  $Y$  of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative planks, and  $E(S)$  is a left quasi-normal band, and put  $S_l = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} (I_\alpha \times T_\alpha)$ ,  $\Lambda = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} \Lambda_\alpha$ ,  $S_\alpha = I_\alpha \times T_\alpha \times \Lambda_\alpha$ , where  $I_\alpha, T_\alpha$  and  $\Lambda_\alpha$  are a left zero band, a left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoid and a right zero band, respectively. Next, we verify that  $S_l = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} (I_\alpha \times T_\alpha)$  is a

left C-wrpp semigroup, and  $\Lambda = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} \Lambda_\alpha$  is a right normal band.

Step 1 Let  $T = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} T_\alpha$ , we shall show that  $T$  is a C-wrpp semigroup, and  $\Lambda = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} \Lambda_\alpha$  is a right normal band. For this purpose, we only need to show that  $T$  is a strong semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoids  $T_\alpha$ , and a strong semilattice of right zero bands  $\Lambda_\alpha$ , respectively.

Identity in  $T_\alpha$  denoted by  $I_\alpha$ , obviously, we have  $E(S) = \{(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda) | (i, \lambda) \in I_\alpha \times \Lambda_\alpha, \alpha \in Y\}$ , and

$$(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)\mathcal{L}^E(j, 1_\beta, \mu) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta, \lambda = \mu, \quad (1)$$

$$(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)\mathcal{R}^E(j, 1_\beta, \mu) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta, i = j \quad (2)$$

where  $\mathcal{L}^E$  and  $\mathcal{R}^E$  are Green's relations on semigroup  $E(S)$ .

For all  $\alpha \geq \beta$ , let  $a = (i, g, \lambda) \in S_\alpha$ , if  $(j, \mu) \in I_\beta \times \Lambda_\beta$ , then there exists  $(j_1, h_1, \mu_1) \in S_\beta$  such that  $(j, 1_\beta, \mu)a = (j_1, h_1, \mu_1)$ . Since  $(j_1, h_1, \mu_1) = (j, 1_\beta, \mu)[(j, 1_\beta, \mu)a] = (j, h_1, \mu_1)$ , we obtain  $j_1 = j$ . On the other hand, for all  $j' \in I_\beta$ , we have  $(j', 1_\beta, \mu)a = (j', 1_\beta, \mu) = [(j, 1_\beta, \mu)a] = (j', h_1, \mu_1)$ . So  $h_1, \mu_1$  do not depend on the choice of  $j$  in  $I_\beta$ . Let  $h_1 = \mu(i, g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta}, \mu_1 = \mu(i, g, \mu)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}$ . Then we have

$$(j, 1_\beta, \mu)(i, g, \lambda) = (j, \mu(i, g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta}, \mu(i, g, \mu)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}). \quad (3)$$

Similarly, we show that there exists  $\phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j \in I_\beta$ ,  $\varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j \in T_\beta$  such that

$$(i, g, \lambda)(j, 1_\beta, \mu) = (\phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j, \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j, \mu). \quad (4)$$

For all  $\lambda' \in \Lambda_\alpha$ , we have obtain  $(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)\mathcal{R}^E(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda')$  by (2). According to lemma 4, we know that  $\mathcal{R}^E$  is a congruence on  $E(S)$ , it follows that  $(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)(j, 1_\beta, \mu)\mathcal{R}^E(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda')(j, 1_\beta, \mu)$ . Since  $E(S)$  is a band, Referring to (2) and (4), we can follow that  $(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)(j, 1_\beta, \mu) = (i, 1_\alpha, \lambda')(j, 1_\beta, \mu)$ , multiplied with from left side of above formula's both sides, by (4), we obtain  $\phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j = \phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda')j, \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j = \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda')j$ . Therefore,  $\phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j$  and  $\varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j$  do not depend on the choice of  $\lambda$ , let

$$\phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g)j = \phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j, \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g)j = \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g, \lambda)j, \quad (5)$$

where  $\lambda \in \Lambda_\alpha, \alpha \geq \beta$ . Similarly, by  $\mathcal{L}^E$  is a congruence on  $E(S)$ , we follow that  $\mu(i, g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta}$  and  $\mu(i, g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}$  do not depend on the choice of  $i$  in  $I_\alpha$ , let

$$\mu(g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta} = \mu(i, g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta}, \mu(g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta} = \mu(i, g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta} \quad (6)$$

where  $i \in I_\alpha, \alpha \geq \beta$ . It follows that  $(j, \mu(g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta}, \mu) = [(j, 1_\beta, \mu)(i, g, \lambda)](j, 1_\beta, \mu) = (j, 1_\beta, \mu)[(i, g, \lambda)(j, 1_\beta, \mu)] = (j, \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g)j, \mu)$ . So  $\mu(g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta} = \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g)j$ , write as  $c$ . Clearly,  $c$  is determined by  $g$  but does not depend on the choice of  $i, j, \lambda$  and  $\mu$ . Let

$$g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta} = \mu(g, \lambda)\chi_{\alpha, \beta} = \varphi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g)j, \quad (7)$$

where  $i \in I_\alpha, j \in I_\beta, \lambda \in \Lambda_\alpha$  and  $\mu \in \Lambda_\beta$ . According to  $\mathcal{L}^E$  being a right normal band congruence on  $E(S)$ , for all  $\mu, \mu' \in \Lambda_\beta$ , we have  $(j, 1_\beta, \mu')(j, 1_\beta, \mu)(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)\mathcal{L}^E(j, 1_\beta, \mu)(j, 1_\beta, \mu')(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)$ , that is,  $(j, 1_\beta, \mu)(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)\mathcal{L}^E(j, 1_\beta, \mu')(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)$ . we can follow that  $(j, 1_\beta, \mu)(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda) = (j, 1_\beta, \mu')(i, 1_\alpha, \lambda)$  in view

of (1) and (3), multiplied with  $(i, g, \lambda)$  from right side of above formula's both sides, referring to (3) and (6), we obtain  $\mu(g, h)\psi_{\alpha, \beta} = \mu'(g, h)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}$ . Therefore,  $\mu(g, h)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}$  does not depend on the choice of  $\mu$  in  $\Lambda_{\beta}$ , let

$$(g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta} = \mu(g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta} \quad (8)$$

where  $\mu \in \Lambda_{\beta}$ ,  $\alpha \geq \beta$ , In view of (3)-(8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (j, g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, (g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}) \\ &= (j, 1_{\beta}, \mu)(i, g, \lambda) \\ &= [(j, 1_{\beta}, \mu)(i, g, \lambda)](i, 1_{\alpha}, \lambda) \\ &= (j, g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, (g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta})(i, 1_{\alpha}, \lambda) \\ &= (j, g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, (g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta})[(j, 1_{\beta}, (g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta})(i, 1_{\alpha}, \lambda)] \\ &= (j, g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, (g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta})(j, 1_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, (1_{\alpha}, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}) \\ &= (j, (g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta})(1_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}), (1_{\alpha}, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta} = (g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta})(1_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}), (g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta} = (1_{\alpha}, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}.$$

Since  $T_{\beta}$  is a left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoid,

$$1_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}\mathcal{R}1_{\beta}(\alpha \geq \beta), \quad (9)$$

let

$$\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \beta} = (1_{\alpha}, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta} = (g, \lambda)\psi_{\alpha, \beta}, (g \in T_{\alpha}, \alpha \geq \beta). \quad (10)$$

Thus, summing up the above cases, we conclude that there exists the mapping:  $\phi_{\beta, \alpha} : I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha} \rightarrow T_l(I_{\beta}), (i, g) \mapsto \phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g); \sigma_{\alpha, \beta} : T_{\alpha} \rightarrow T_{\beta}, g \mapsto g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}; \theta_{\alpha, \beta} : \Lambda_{\alpha} \rightarrow \Lambda_{\beta}, \lambda \mapsto \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \beta}$  such that

$$(j, 1_{\beta}, \mu)(i, g, \lambda) = (i, g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \beta}) \quad (11)$$

$$(i, g, \lambda)(j, 1_{\beta}, \mu) = (\phi_{\beta, \alpha}(i, g)j, g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, \mu) \quad (12)$$

for all  $(i, g, \lambda) \in S_{\alpha}, (j, \mu) \in I_{\beta} \times \Lambda_{\beta}$ .

The following we verify that  $\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}$  and  $\theta_{\alpha, \beta}$  are the structure homomorphism of strong semilattice on semigroups  $T_{\alpha}$  and  $\Lambda_{\alpha}$ , respectively. For all  $\alpha, \beta \in Y, (i, g, \lambda) \in S_{\alpha}, (j, h, \mu) \in S_{\beta}$ , let  $(k, m, n) = (i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu) \in S_{\alpha\beta}$ . Then for  $\gamma \leq \alpha\beta$  and  $(l, v) \in I_{\gamma} \times \Lambda_{\gamma}$ , according to (11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (l, m\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}, n\theta_{\alpha, \beta}) &= (l, 1_{\gamma}, v)(k, m, n) \\ &= (l, 1_{\gamma}, v)(i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu) \\ &= (l, g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma}, \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(j, h, \mu) \\ &= (l, g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma}, \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(l, 1_{\gamma}, \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(j, h, \mu) \\ &= (l, g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma}, \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(l, h\sigma_{\beta, \gamma}, \mu\theta_{\beta, \gamma}) \\ &= (l, (g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma})(h\sigma_{\beta, \gamma}), (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(\mu\theta_{\beta, \gamma})) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$m\sigma_{\alpha, \beta} = (g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma})(h\sigma_{\beta, \gamma}), n\theta_{\alpha, \beta} = (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(\mu\theta_{\beta, \gamma}), \quad (13)$$

$$(l, 1_{\gamma}, v)(i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu) = (l, (g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma})(h\sigma_{\beta, \gamma}), (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(\mu\theta_{\beta, \gamma})). \quad (14)$$

(i) If  $\beta = \alpha$ , then  $m = gh, n = \lambda\mu$ . By (13), we have  $(gh)\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma} = (g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma})(h\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma}), (\lambda\mu)\theta_{\alpha, \gamma} = (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})(\mu\theta_{\alpha, \gamma})$ , where  $g, h \in T_{\alpha}, \lambda, \mu \in \Lambda_{\alpha}$ . So  $\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma}$  and  $\theta_{\alpha, \gamma}$  are semigroup

homomorphism of from  $T_{\alpha}$  to  $T_{\beta}$  and from  $\Lambda_{\alpha}$  to  $\Lambda_{\beta}$ , respectively, where  $\alpha \geq \gamma$ . Similarly, it follows that  $\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}$  is also a semigroup homomorphism, by (9), we have

$$1_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha, \beta} = 1_{\beta}, (\alpha \geq \beta). \quad (15)$$

(ii) If  $\beta = \alpha$ , let  $\gamma = \alpha, h = 1_{\alpha}, \mu = \lambda$ . In view of (14) and (15), it follows that  $g = g\sigma_{\alpha, \alpha}, \lambda = \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \alpha}$  for any  $g \in T_{\alpha}, \lambda \in \Lambda_{\alpha}$ . So  $\sigma_{\alpha, \alpha}$  and  $\theta_{\alpha, \alpha}$  are identical mapping on  $T_{\alpha}$  and  $T_{\gamma}$ , respectively.

(iii) Let  $\gamma = \alpha\beta, l = k$ . According to (13), (14) and the results above (ii), we have

$$m = (g\sigma_{\alpha, \alpha\beta})(h\sigma_{\beta, \alpha\beta}), n = (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \alpha\beta})(\mu\theta_{\beta, \alpha\beta}), \quad (16)$$

$$(i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu) = (k, (g\sigma_{\alpha, \alpha\beta})(h\sigma_{\beta, \alpha\beta}), (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \alpha\beta})(\mu\theta_{\beta, \alpha\beta})). \quad (17)$$

(iv) If  $\alpha \geq \beta \geq \gamma$ , then  $\alpha\beta = \beta$ . Referring to (13), (16) and (17), we have  $(g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta})\sigma_{\beta, \alpha} = [(g\sigma_{\alpha, \beta})(1_{\beta})\sigma_{\beta, \alpha}]\sigma_{\beta, \gamma} = (g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma})(1_{\beta}\sigma_{\beta, \gamma}) = (g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma})1_{\gamma} = g\sigma_{\alpha, \gamma}, (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \beta})\theta_{\beta, \gamma} = [(\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \beta})(\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \beta})]\theta_{\beta, \gamma} = (\lambda\theta_{\beta, \gamma})(\lambda_{\alpha, \gamma}) = \lambda\theta_{\alpha, \gamma}$ . This leads to  $\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}\sigma_{\beta, \gamma} = \sigma_{\alpha, \gamma}, \theta_{\alpha, \beta}\theta_{\beta, \gamma} = \theta_{\alpha, \gamma}$ .

Define multiplication operations on  $T = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} T_{\alpha}$  and  $\Lambda = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} \Lambda_{\alpha}$ , as follows respectively:

$$g \circ h = (g\sigma_{\alpha, \alpha\beta})(h\sigma_{\beta, \alpha\beta}) (g \in T_{\alpha}, h \in T_{\beta}), \quad (18)$$

$$\lambda \circ \mu = (\lambda\theta_{\alpha, \alpha\beta})(\mu\theta_{\beta, \alpha\beta}) (\lambda \in \Lambda_{\alpha}, \mu \in \Lambda_{\beta}). \quad (19)$$

According to (i), (ii) and (iv), we know that  $T = [Y; T_{\alpha}, \sigma_{\alpha, \beta}]$  is a strong semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative monoid  $T_{\alpha}$  and  $\Lambda = [Y; \Lambda_{\alpha}, \theta_{\alpha, \beta}]$  is a strong semilattice of right zero band  $\Lambda_{\alpha}$ , that is,  $(T, \circ)$  is a C-wrpp semigroup and  $(\Lambda, \circ)$  is a right normal band. It follows that

$$(i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu) = (k, g \circ h, \lambda \circ \mu) \quad (20)$$

by (18)-(20).

Step 2 We shall show that  $S_l = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} (I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha})$  forms a left C-wrpp semigroup. Let  $I = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} I_{\alpha}$ . We wish to define a mapping  $\eta : S_l \rightarrow T_l(I)$  so that  $S_l$  can be made into a semi-spined product. For all  $k' \in I_{\alpha\beta}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (k, m, n) &= (k, m, n)(k', 1_{\alpha\beta}, n) = (i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu)(k', 1_{\alpha\beta}, n) \\ &= (i, g, \lambda)(\phi_{\alpha\beta}(j, h)k', \dots, \dots) \\ &= (\phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, h)k', \dots, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

So  $k = \phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, h)k'$ . Therefore,  $\phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, h)$  is a constant mapping on  $I_{\alpha\beta}$ , write as  $k = < \phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, h) >$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (k, m, n) &= (k, m, n)(j, 1_{\beta}, \mu)(j, h, \mu)(k', 1_{\alpha\beta}, n) \\ &= (i, g, \lambda)(j, 1_{\beta}, \mu)(\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, h)k', \dots, \dots) \\ &= (\phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, 1_{\beta})[\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, h)k'], \dots, \dots) \\ &= (< \phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, 1_{\beta}) >, \dots, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $k = < \phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, 1_{\beta}) >$  does not depend on the choice of  $h$ , let  $k = \eta(i, g)j$ . We define the mapping  $\eta$  by the following rules:

$$\eta(i, g) : S_l \rightarrow T_l(I), (i, g) \mapsto \eta(j, g);$$

$$\eta(i, g) : I \rightarrow I, j \mapsto \eta(i, g)j,$$

and such that

$$(i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu) = (\eta(i, g), g \circ h, \lambda \circ \mu)$$

for  $(i, g, \lambda), (j, h, \mu) \in S$ .

To see that  $\eta$  is a structure mapping defining a semi-spined product  $I \times_{\eta} T$ , we need to verify that  $\eta$  satisfies the required conditions (Q1)-(Q3). If  $(i, g) \in I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha}, j \in I_{\beta}, \alpha \leq \beta$ , then  $\eta(i, g)j = \langle \phi_{\alpha\beta, \alpha}(i, g)\phi_{\alpha\beta, \beta}(j, 1_{\beta}) \rangle \in I_{\alpha\beta}$ , (Q1) holds. To verify that (Q2) holds, we let  $(i, g) \in I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha}, j \in I_{\beta}, \alpha \leq \beta$ , then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\eta(i, g)j, g \circ h, \lambda \circ \mu) &= (i, g, \lambda)[(i, 1_{\alpha}, \lambda)(j, h, \mu)] \\ &= (i, g, \lambda)(i, h\sigma_{\beta, \alpha}, \mu\theta_{\beta, \alpha}) \\ &= (i, \dots, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

by (11) and (20). Consequently, we have  $\eta(i, g)j = i$ . Thus, (Q2) holds. Finally, we let  $(i, g) \in I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha}, (j, h) \in I_{\alpha} \times T_{\beta}$ . For all  $\gamma \in Y, l \in I_{\gamma}, v \in \Lambda_{\alpha}$ , according to (20), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\eta(\eta(i, g)j, g \circ h)l, (g \circ h) \circ 1_{\gamma}, \lambda \circ \mu) \\ &= (i, g, \lambda)(j, h, \mu)(l, 1_{\gamma}, \nu) \\ &= (i, g, \lambda)(\eta(j, h)l, \dots, \dots) \\ &= (\eta(i, g)\eta(j, h)l, \dots, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

This leads to  $\eta(\eta(i, g)j, g \circ h)l = \eta(i, g)\eta(j, h)l$ , so  $\eta(\eta(i, g)j, g \circ h) = \eta(i, g)\eta(j, h)$ . In fact, we have shown that (Q3) holds. Thus,  $\eta$  satisfies (Q1)-(Q3) and we do have a semi-spined product  $I \times_{\eta} T$ .

Next we need to prove that the structure mapping  $\eta$  on this semispined product satisfies the condition (Q) in lemma 1. For this purpose, we let  $(i, a)$  and  $(j, b) \in I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha}$ . Take  $k \in I_{\tau}$  and  $l \in I_{\delta}$  for some  $\tau$  and  $\delta$ , and suppose that  $\eta(i, a)k = \eta(i, a)l$ , that is,  $(i, a)^{\#}k = (i, a)^{\#}l$ . By condition (Q1), we have  $\delta\alpha = \tau\alpha$ . Denote the identity elements of the monoids  $T_{\delta}$  and  $T_{\tau}$  by  $1_{\delta}$  and  $1_{\tau}$ , respectively. Since  $T$  is a strong semilattice of  $T_{\alpha}$ , we have  $a1_{\delta} = a1_{\tau}$ . By invoking Lemma 5, we have  $(i, a)(k, 1_{\tau})\mathcal{R}(i, a)(l, 1_{\delta})$ . Since  $i\mathcal{L}j$ , we have  $(i, a)\mathcal{L}^{**}(j, b)$  so that  $(j, b)(k, 1_{\tau})\mathcal{R}(j, b)(l, 1_{\delta})$ . Hence we have

$$((j, b)^{\#}k, b1_{\tau})\mathcal{R}((j, b)^{\#}l, b1_{\delta}) \Rightarrow (j, b)^{\#}k = (j, b)^{\#}l.$$

This shows that  $\ker\eta(i, a) \subseteq \ker\eta(j, b)$ . Analogously, we can also prove that  $\ker\eta(j, b) \subseteq \ker\eta(i, a)$ . Thus  $\ker\eta(i, a) = \ker\eta(j, b)$  and so condition (Q) is satisfied. This shows that  $S_l = \cup_{\alpha \in Y} (I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha})$  is indeed a left C-wrpp semigroup.

Summing up step1 and step2, we conclude that  $S$  is the spined product of a left C-wrpp semigroup  $S_l$  and a right normal band  $\Lambda$ .

(4) $\Rightarrow$ (1). Let  $S$  be the spined product of a left C-wrpp semigroup  $S_l = I \times_{Y, \eta} T$  and a right normal band  $\Lambda = [Y; \Lambda_{\alpha}, \theta_{\alpha, \beta}]$ . Clearly,  $S$  is a semilattice of left- $\mathcal{R}$  cancellative planks, and for all  $e = (i, 1_{\alpha}, \lambda) \in E(S) \cap (I_{\alpha} \times T_{\alpha} \times \Lambda_{\alpha}), x = (j, h, \mu) \in I_{\beta} \times T_{\beta} \times \Lambda_{\beta}, y = (k, m, n) \in I_{\gamma} \times T_{\gamma} \times \Lambda_{\gamma}$ , let  $(l, q) = (i, 1_{\alpha})(j, h) \in I_{\alpha\beta} \times T_{\alpha\beta}$ . According to  $S_l$  is a left C-wrpp semigroup and Lemma 1, we have  $(i, q)(i, 1_{\alpha}) = (\eta(l, g)i, (q\sigma_{\alpha\beta, \alpha\beta})(1_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha, \alpha\beta})) = (l, q) = (i, 1_{\alpha})(j, h) \in$

$I_{\alpha\beta} \times T_{\alpha\beta}$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \eta'_e(xy) &= exy = ((i, 1_{\alpha})(j, h)(k, m), \lambda\mu\nu) \\ &= ((l, q)(i, 1_{\alpha})(i, 1_{\alpha})(k, m), \lambda\mu\nu) \\ &= ((i, 1_{\alpha})(j, h)(i, 1_{\alpha})(k, m), \lambda\mu\nu) \\ &= exey = \eta'_e(x)\eta'_e(y). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $\eta'_e$  is a semigroup homomorphism from  $S$  to  $eS$ , thus  $S$  is a weakly left C-wrpp semigroup.

**Corollary 1** Let  $S$  be a semigroup. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $S$  is a weakly left C-rpp semigroup;
- (2)  $S$  is a semilattice of left cancellative monoids, and  $\text{Reg}S$  is a weakly left C-semigroup;
- (3)  $S$  is a semilattice of left cancellative monoids, and  $S$  is a left quasi-normal band;
- (4)  $S$  is a spined product of left C-rpp semigroup and a right normal band.

**Corollary 2** A weakly left C-wrpp semigroup is a wrpp semigroup.

**Proof.** According to theorem 1, a weakly left C-wrpp semigroup is a spined product of a left C-wrpp semigroup and right normal band, but a left C-wrpp semigroup and a right normal band are wrpp semigroups, it follows that a weakly left C-wrpp semigroup is a wrpp semigroup.

By above corollary, we have the following results:

**Corollary 3** A weakly left C-rpp semigroup is a rpp semigroup.

**Corollary 4** A semigroup  $S$  is a weakly left C-semigroup if and only if  $S$  is a spined product of left C-semigroup and a right normal band.

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