

## On Regular $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings and Idempotent $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings

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ABSTRACT. The  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring is a generalization of the concepts of a semiring, a semihyperring and a  $\Gamma$ -semiring. Here, the notions of (strongly) regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring, idempotent  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring; invertible set, invertible element in a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring are introduced, and several examples given. It is proved that if all subsets of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring are strongly regular then for every  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$ , there is a  $\Delta$ -idempotent subset of  $R$ . Regularity conditions of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring in terms of ideals of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring are also characterized.

### 1. Introduction

In 1964, Nobusawa [15] introduced the notion of  $\Gamma$ -rings as a generalization of ternary rings. Barends [3] weakened the conditions in Nobusawa's definition of a  $\Gamma$ -ring. The notion of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring was introduced by Rao [17], generalizing both  $\Gamma$ -rings and semirings. In [13], Krishnamoorthy and Doss introduced the notion of commuting regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring.

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The concept of a hyperstructure was introduced in 1934 when Marty [14] defined hypergroups based on the notion of a hyperoperation during the 8<sup>th</sup> Congress of Scandinavian Mathematicians. By analyzing their properties he applied the concepts to group theory. Corsini gave many applications of hyperstructure in several branches of both pure and applied sciences [4, 5].

In 1990, Vougiouklis [18] studied the notion of semihyperring in which both binary operations were hyperoperations; see [1]. The notion of a regular  $\Gamma$ -hyperring was introduced in [16]. Davvaz et al. [2, 12] introduced the notion of  $\Gamma$ -semihypergroup as a generalization of semihypergroup. Generalizations of semirings, semihyperrings and  $\Gamma$ -semirings to  $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings can be found in [7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16].

This paper extends many classical notions of  $\Gamma$ -semirings [17] and  $\Gamma$ -hyperrings [16] to  $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings. Section 2 states some preliminary definitions which are useful to understand the main idea of the paper. The concept of a (strongly) regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with some examples and results are introduced in Section 3. Section 4 introduces the notion of invertible sets (elements) in a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring and an idempotent  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring that yield some important results.

## 2. Preliminaries

Here are some useful definitions; for others, the readers referred to [16].

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $H$  be a non-empty set and  $\circ : H \times H \rightarrow \wp^*(H)$  be a hyperoperation, where  $\wp^*(H)$  is the family of all non-empty subsets of  $H$ . The couple  $(H, \circ)$  is called a *hypergroupoid*. For any two non-empty subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $H$  and  $x \in H$  we have

$$A \circ B = \bigcup_{\substack{a \in A \\ b \in B}} a \circ b, A \circ \{x\} = A \circ x \text{ and } \{x\} \circ A = x \circ A.$$

**Definition 2.2.** A hypergroupoid  $(H, \circ)$  is called a *semihypergroup*, if for all  $a, b, c \in H$  we have,  $(a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c)$ . In addition, if for every  $a \in H, a \circ H = H = H \circ a$ , then  $(H, \circ)$  is called a *hypergroup* (for more details about hypergroups and semihypergroups see [4, 6]).

**Definition 2.3.** A *semihyperring* is an algebraic structure  $(R, +, \cdot)$  which satisfies the following properties:

- (i)  $(R, +)$  is a commutative semihypergroup;  
i.e.  $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$  and  $x + y = y + x$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .
- (ii)  $(R, \cdot)$  is a semihypergroup.
- (iii) The hyperoperation  $\cdot$  is distributive with respect to the hyperoperation  $+$ ,  
i.e.,  $x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$ ,  $(x + y) \cdot z = x \cdot z + y \cdot z$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$ .
- (iv) The element  $0 \in R$  is an absorbing element;  
i.e.  $x \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot x = 0$ , for all  $x \in R$ .

**Definition 2.4.** A semihyperring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is called *commutative* if and only if  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$  for all  $a, b \in R$ .

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $R$  be a commutative semihypergroup and  $\Gamma$  be a commutative group. Then,  $R$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -*semihyperring* if there is a map  $R \times \Gamma \times R \rightarrow \wp^*(R)$  (the image  $(a, \alpha, b)$  is denoted by  $a\alpha b$  for all  $a, b \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ ) and  $\wp^*(R)$  is the family of all non-empty subsets of  $R$ , satisfy the following conditions:

- (i)  $a\alpha(b + c) = a\alpha b + a\alpha c$ ;
- (ii)  $(a + b)\alpha c = a\alpha c + b\alpha c$ ;
- (iii)  $a(\alpha + \beta)c = a\alpha c + a\beta c$ ;
- (iv)  $a\alpha(b\beta c) = (a\alpha b)\beta c$ , for all  $a, b, c \in R$  and for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ .

In the above definition, if  $R$  is a semigroup, then  $R$  is called a *multiplicative  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring*.

**Definition 2.6.** A  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is called *commutative* if  $a\alpha b = b\alpha a$ , for all  $a, b \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 2.7.** A  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be *with zero*, if there exists  $0 \in R$  such that  $a \in a + 0$ ,  $0 \in 0\alpha a$  and  $0 \in a\alpha 0$ , for all  $a \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two non-empty subsets of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  and  $x \in R$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} A + B &= \{x \mid x \in a + b, a \in A, b \in B\} \\ A\Gamma B &= \{x \mid x \in a\alpha b, a \in A, b \in B, \alpha \in \Gamma\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 2.8.** A non-empty subset  $R_1$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -*sub semihyperring* if it is closed with respect to the multiplication and addition, i.e.  $R_1 + R_1 \subseteq R_1$  and  $R_1\Gamma R_1 \subseteq R_1$ .

**Definition 2.9.** A *right (left) ideal*  $I$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is an additive sub semihypergroup of  $(R, +)$  such that  $I\Gamma R \subseteq I$  ( $R\Gamma I \subseteq I$ ). If  $I$  is both right and left ideal of  $R$ , then we say that  $I$  is *two sided ideal* or simply an *ideal* of  $R$ .

To see some examples on  $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings; the notions of Noetherian, Artinian, simple  $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings; and regular relations on  $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings, refer to [16].

### 3. Regular $\Gamma$ -semihyperring

In this section, notions of regular sets, regular elements in a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring are introduced and thereby (strongly) regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring is defined. Few examples in this context and characterization of regularity conditions of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings in terms of ideals of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring are discussed.

**Definition 3.1.** A subset  $A$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be *regular* (*strongly regular*) if there exist  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subseteq \Gamma$  and  $B \subseteq R$  such that  $A \subseteq A\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 A$  ( $A = A\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 A$ ).

A singleton set  $\{a\}$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring is *regular* if there exist  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subseteq \Gamma$  and  $B \subseteq R$  such that

$$\{a\} = a \in a\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 a = \{x \in R \mid x \in a\alpha b\beta a, \alpha \in \Gamma_1, \beta \in \Gamma_2, b \in B\}.$$

That is, a singleton set  $\{a\}$  of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring is regular if there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma, b \in R$  such that  $a \in a\alpha b\beta a$ . Similarly, a singleton set  $\{a\}$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring is strongly regular if there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma, b \in R$  such that  $\{a\} = a = a\alpha b\beta a$ . Simply an element  $a \in R$  is said to be *regular* (*strongly regular*) instead of a singleton set  $\{a\}$ .

**Definition 3.2.** A  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be *regular* (*strongly regular*), if every element of  $R$  is regular (strongly regular).

**Definition 3.3.** An element  $e \in R$  is said to be a  $\Gamma$ -*identity* of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$ , if  $a\alpha e = e\alpha a = a$ , for all  $a \in R, \alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Definition 3.4.** A pair  $(A, B)$  of subsets of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be  $(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2)$  *strongly regular* (*regular*) for some  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subseteq \Gamma$ , if  $A = A\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 A$  ( $A \subseteq A\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 A$ ) and  $B = B\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 B$  ( $B \subseteq B\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 B$ ).

A pair of elements  $(a, b)$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be  $(\alpha, \beta)$  *strongly regular* (*regular*) for some  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ , if  $a = a\alpha b\beta a$  ( $a \in a\alpha b\beta a$ ) and  $b = b\beta a\alpha b$  ( $b \in b\beta a\alpha b$ ).

**Example 3.5.** If  $R = \{a, b, c, d\}$  then  $R$  is a commutative semihypergroup with the following hyperoperations:

+	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$a$	$\{a\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, c\}$	$\{a, d\}$
$b$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{b\}$	$\{b, c\}$	$\{b, d\}$
$c$	$\{a, c\}$	$\{b, c\}$	$\{c\}$	$\{c, d\}$
$d$	$\{a, d\}$	$\{b, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{d\}$

$\cdot$	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$a$	$\{a\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b, c\}$	$\{a, b, c, d\}$
$b$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{b\}$	$\{b, c\}$	$\{b, c, d\}$
$c$	$\{a, b, c\}$	$\{b, c\}$	$\{c\}$	$\{c, d\}$
$d$	$\{a, b, c, d\}$	$\{b, c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{d\}$

Then  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with the operation  $x\alpha y \rightarrow x \cdot y$  for  $x, y \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , where  $\Gamma$  is any commutative group. Also every subset of  $R$  is strongly regular since  $A\Gamma_1 A\Gamma_2 A = A$ , for any  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subseteq \Gamma$ . Since all singleton sets of  $R$  are strongly regular, it follows that  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is strongly regular.

**Example 3.6.** Consider the following sets:

$$R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{pmatrix} \mid x, y, z, w \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\Gamma = \{z \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$A_\alpha = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha a & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha b \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha \in \Gamma \right\}.$$

Then  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring under the matrix addition and the hyperoperation  $M\alpha N \rightarrow MA_\alpha N$  for all  $M, N \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

Now every invertible matrix  $M \in R$  is regular, since  $M \in M\alpha M^{-1}\alpha M$  where  $\alpha = 1 \in \Gamma$  and  $M^{-1} \in R$  is an inverse of  $M$ . Also, if we consider  $K$  as a collection of all invertible matrices in  $R$  then  $K$  is a regular subset of  $R$ , since  $K \subseteq K\alpha K\alpha K$ , where  $\alpha = 1 \in \Gamma$ .

**Example 3.7.** ([16]) Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a semihyperring such that  $x \cdot y = x \cdot y + x \cdot y$  and  $\Gamma$  be a commutative group. Define  $x\alpha y \rightarrow x \cdot y$ , for every  $x, y \in R$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Then  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring.

**Example 3.8.** Let  $X$  be a non-empty finite set and  $\tau$  be a topology on  $X$ . Define the addition hyperoperation and the multiplication on  $\tau$  as  $A, B \in \tau$ ,  $A + B = A \cup B$ ,  $A \cdot B = A \cap B$ . Then  $(\tau, +, \cdot)$  is a semihyperring with the absorbing element, the additive identity  $\phi$ , and multiplicative identity  $X$ .

**Example 3.9.** Continuing with Example 3.7 and Example 3.8 observe that  $\tau$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring if we define  $x\alpha y \rightarrow x \cdot y$ , for every  $x, y \in \tau$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , where  $\Gamma$  is a commutative group. Further it is strongly regular since  $A \in \tau$ , then  $A\alpha A\beta A = A$ , for any  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Here  $X$  is a  $\Gamma$ -identity, since  $X\alpha A = A = A\alpha X$ , for all  $A \in \tau$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

**Example 3.10.** Let  $R = \mathbb{Q}^+$ ,  $\Gamma = \{z \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  and  $A_\alpha = \alpha\mathbb{Z}^+$ . If we define  $x\alpha y \rightarrow xA_\alpha y$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $x, y \in R$ , then  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring under the ordinary addition and multiplication.

Clearly  $R$  is a regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring, since for any  $x \in R$ ,  $x \in x\alpha \frac{1}{x}\alpha x$ , where  $\alpha = 1 \in \Gamma$ , that is, every element of  $R$  is regular and  $(x, \frac{1}{x})$  is a regular pair of elements of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$ .

**Theorem 3.11.** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring. If  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are ideals of  $R$  then  $I_1 \cap I_2$  is an ideal of  $R$  too.*

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with an identity. Then  $R$  is regular if and only if for any left ideal  $A$  and right ideal  $B$  of  $R$ ,  $A \cap B = B\Gamma A$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is a left ideal of  $R$ , it follows that  $B\Gamma A \subseteq R\Gamma A \subseteq A$ . Further, since  $B$  is a right ideal of  $R$ , it follows that  $B\Gamma A \subseteq B\Gamma R \subseteq B$ . Hence,

$$(3.1) \quad B\Gamma A \subseteq A \cap B.$$

Let  $R$  be regular and  $a \in A \cap B$ . Then  $R$  is regular and there exist  $b \in R$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  such that  $a \in a\alpha b\beta a \subseteq a\alpha A \subseteq B\Gamma A$ . Hence we get,

$$(3.2) \quad A \cap B \subseteq B\Gamma A.$$

From Equation (3.1) and (3.2), we have  $A \cap B = B\Gamma A$ .

In order to prove the converse, assume that  $A \cap B \subseteq B\Gamma A$  in  $R$  and  $a \in R$ . Now,  $A = R\Gamma a$  is a left ideal and  $B = a\Gamma R$  is a right ideal in  $R$ . Since  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with an identity, both ideals  $A$  and  $B$  contain  $a$ . Hence  $a \in A \cap B = B\Gamma A = (a\Gamma R)\Gamma(R\Gamma a) = a\Gamma(R\Gamma R)\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma R\Gamma a$ . Thus there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  and  $b \in R$  such that  $a \in a\alpha b\beta a$ , i.e.,  $a \in R$  is a regular element. Since  $a$  is arbitrary, it follows that  $R$  is a regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.13.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with an identity. Then  $R$  is regular if and only if  $A = A\Gamma A$  for each ideal  $A$  of  $R$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R$  is regular and  $A$  is an ideal of  $R$ . Then by Theorem 3.12,  $A\Gamma A = A \cap A = A$ . Conversely, let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring satisfying the given condition and  $a \in R$ . Then  $A = a\Gamma R$  is an ideal of  $R$ . Since  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with an identity element, it follows that  $a \in A = A\Gamma A = (a\Gamma R)\Gamma(a\Gamma R) = a\Gamma(R\Gamma R)\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma R\Gamma a$ . Hence an arbitrary element  $a \in R$  is regular whence  $R$  is a regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of a regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$ . Then  $I$  is regular and any ideal  $J$  of  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $I$  is an ideal of a regular  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  and  $a \in I \subset R$ . Since  $R$  is regular, it follows that there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  and  $b \in R$  such that  $a \in a\alpha b\beta a$ . Also let  $C = b\beta a\alpha b \subseteq I$ . Then  $a \in a\alpha C\beta a = a\alpha b\beta a\alpha b\beta a$ . Hence the ideal  $I$  is regular.

We now prove that if  $a \in J \subset I$  and  $r \in R$ , then both  $a\alpha r$  and  $r\alpha a$  are subsets of  $J$ , where  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Let  $a\alpha r \subseteq I$ . Then each  $k \in a\alpha r \subseteq I$  is a regular element in  $I$ . Hence there exist  $k_1 \in I$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \Gamma$  such that  $k \in k\alpha_1 k_1 \alpha_2 k \subseteq k\alpha_1 I \subseteq a\alpha r\alpha_1 I \subseteq a\alpha I \subseteq J$  since  $J$  is an ideal of  $I$ . Thus  $k \in a\alpha r$  gives  $k \in J$ . Hence  $a\alpha r \subseteq J$ . Similar steps leads to  $r\alpha a \subseteq J$ . Thus an ideal  $J$  of  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Inverse Sets in $\Gamma$ -semihyperring

In this section notions of an idempotent  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring and inverse sets (elements) in  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring are introduced and demonstrated with examples. Also presented their characterizations and obtained some conditions of existence of strongly regular pairs and idempotent subsets in  $\Gamma$ -semihyperrings.

**Definition 4.1.** A subset  $B$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be a  $(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2)$  inverse of  $A$  if there exist  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subseteq \Gamma$  such that  $A = A\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 A$  and  $B = B\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 B$  denoted by  $B \in V_{\Gamma_1}^{\Gamma_2}(A)$ .

An element  $b$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be a  $(\alpha, \beta)$  *inverse* of  $a \in R$  if there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$  such that  $a = a\alpha b\beta a$  and  $b = b\beta a\alpha b$  denoted by  $b \in V_{\alpha}^{\beta}(a)$ .

If  $B \in V_{\Gamma_1}^{\Gamma_2}(A)$ , then the subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $R$  are strongly regular subsets of the  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $A$  be a strongly regular subset of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$ . Then there exists a strongly regular subset  $B$  of  $R$  such that  $B \in V_{\Gamma_1}^{\Gamma_2}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is a strongly regular subset of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$ . Then there exist  $C \subseteq R$  and  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subseteq \Gamma$  such that  $A = A\Gamma_1 C\Gamma_2 A$ . Let  $B = C\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 C$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} A\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 A &= A\Gamma_1 (C\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 C)\Gamma_2 A \\ &= (A\Gamma_1 C\Gamma_2 A)\Gamma_1 C\Gamma_2 A \\ &= A\Gamma_1 C\Gamma_2 A \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} B\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 B &= (C\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 C)\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 (C\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 C) \\ &= C\Gamma_2 (A\Gamma_1 C\Gamma_2 A)\Gamma_1 C\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 C \\ &= C\Gamma_2 (A\Gamma_1 C\Gamma_2 A)\Gamma_1 C \\ &= C\Gamma_2 A\Gamma_1 C \\ &= B. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $B \in V_{\Gamma_1}^{\Gamma_2}(A)$ . □

**Definition 4.3.** A subset  $E$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is an *idempotent set* if there exists  $\Gamma_1 \subseteq \Gamma$  such that  $E\Gamma_1 E = E$ . It is referred as  $E$  is  $\Gamma_1$ -*idempotent*.

An element  $e \in R$  is said to be *idempotent* if there exists  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  such that  $e\alpha e = e$ . Then  $e$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -*idempotent*.

**Definition 4.4.** A  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  is said to be an *idempotent  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring* if every element of  $R$  is idempotent.

**Example 4.5.** ([16]) Let  $R = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $\alpha = \bar{0}, \beta = \bar{1}$ . Then  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with the following hyperoperations

+	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$a$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$
$b$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$
$c$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$
$d$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{a, b\}$

$\beta$	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$a$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$
$b$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$
$c$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$
$d$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{a, b\}$	$\{c, d\}$	$\{c, d\}$

For any  $x, y \in R$  we define  $x\alpha y = \{a, b\}$ . Then clearly  $\{a, b\}$  is  $\alpha$ -idempotent,  $\beta$ -idempotent as well as  $\Gamma_1 = \{\alpha, \beta\}$ -idempotent and  $\{c, d\}$  is  $\beta$ -idempotent.

Observe that Examples 3.5 and 3.9 are the illustrations of an idempotent  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring. It is obvious that if  $E$  is  $\Gamma_1$ -idempotent then  $E$  is strongly regular subset of  $R$  and  $E \in V_{\Gamma_1}^{\Gamma_1}(E)$ , i.e.,  $E$  is the inverse of itself. Also, idempotent elements (subsets) of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  are strongly regular.

**Theorem 4.6.** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring. Then  $a \in R$  is strongly regular element of  $R$  if there is an idempotent element  $e \in R$  such that  $a = e\alpha x$  and  $e = a\beta y$ , for some  $x, y \in R$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with condition that for  $a \in R$  there is an idempotent element  $e \in R$  such that  $a = e\alpha x$  and  $e = a\beta y$ , for some  $x, y \in R$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ . Since  $e$  is an idempotent of  $R$ , it follows that there exists  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  such that  $e = e\gamma e$  which implies that  $a = e\alpha x = (e\gamma e)\alpha x = (a\beta y)\gamma e\alpha x = a\beta y\gamma a$ . Consequently,  $a$  is strongly regular element of the  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring.

Similarly, one can prove that when  $R$  is a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring, then  $a \in R$  is strongly regular element of  $R$ , if there is an idempotent element  $e \in R$  such that  $a = x\alpha e$  and  $e = y\beta a$ , for some  $x, y \in R$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.7.** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring. Let  $(A, A')$  be a  $(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2)$  strongly regular pair and  $(B, B')$  be a  $(\Gamma_3, \Gamma_4)$  strongly regular pair. Then  $A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'$  is a  $\Gamma_4$ -idempotent and  $B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A$  is a  $\Gamma_1$ -idempotent if and only if  $(A\Gamma_1B, B'\Gamma_4A')$  is a  $(\Gamma_3, \Gamma_2)$  strongly regular pair.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'$  is  $\Gamma_4$ -idempotent and  $B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A$  is  $\Gamma_1$ -idempotent. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(A\Gamma_1B)\Gamma_3(B'\Gamma_4A')\Gamma_2(A\Gamma_1B) &= A\Gamma_1A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4B \\
&= A\Gamma_1A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4B \\
&= A\Gamma_1B. \\
(B'\Gamma_4A')\Gamma_2(A\Gamma_1B)\Gamma_3(B'\Gamma_4A') &= B'\Gamma_4B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1A' \\
&= B'\Gamma_4B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1A' \\
&= B'\Gamma_4A'.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(A\Gamma_1B, B'\Gamma_4A')$  is a  $(\Gamma_3, \Gamma_2)$  strongly regular pair.



For the converse, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B')\Gamma_4(A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B') &= A'\Gamma_2(A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B)\Gamma_3B' \\ &= A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'. \end{aligned}$$

That is  $A'\Gamma_2A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_3B'$  is  $\Gamma_4$ -idempotent. Similarly, it can be proved that  $B\Gamma_3B'\Gamma_4A'\Gamma_2A$  is  $\Gamma_1$ -idempotent.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.8.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring. Let  $E = E\Gamma_1E$  and  $F = F\Gamma_2F$  be two idempotent subsets of  $R$ . Then there exists an idempotent  $G$  such that  $(E\Gamma_1F, G)$  is a  $(\Gamma_2, \Gamma_1)$  strongly regular pair.*

*Proof.* Since  $R$  is a commutative  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring, it follows that  $(E\Gamma_1F)\Gamma_2(E\Gamma_1F) = E\Gamma_1F$ , i.e.,  $E\Gamma_1F$  is idempotent and so strongly regular set. Hence there exist  $\Gamma_3, \Gamma_4 \subseteq \Gamma$  and  $K \subseteq R$  such that  $K$  is an  $(\Gamma_3, \Gamma_4)$  inverse of  $E\Gamma_1F$ . That is  $E\Gamma_1F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E\Gamma_1F = E\Gamma_1F$  and  $K\Gamma_4E\Gamma_1F\Gamma_3K = K$ . Let  $G = F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E$ , then  $G\Gamma_1G = F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E\Gamma_1F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E = F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E = G$ . Therefore  $G$  is an idempotent.

$$\begin{aligned} (E\Gamma_1F)\Gamma_2G\Gamma_1(E\Gamma_1F) &= E\Gamma_1F\Gamma_2F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E\Gamma_1E\Gamma_1F \\ &= E\Gamma_1F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E\Gamma_1F \\ &= E\Gamma_1F. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} G\Gamma_1(E\Gamma_1F)\Gamma_2G &= F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E\Gamma_1E\Gamma_1F\Gamma_2F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E \\ &= F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E\Gamma_1F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E \\ &= F\Gamma_3K\Gamma_4E \\ &= G. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $(E\Gamma_1F, G)$  is a  $(\Gamma_2, \Gamma_1)$  strongly regular pair.  $\square$

Lemma 4.8 shows that, if a commutative  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$  containing  $\Delta_1$ -idempotent,  $\Delta_2$ -idempotent subsets then it has  $(\Delta_1, \Delta_2)$  strongly regular pair. Further, using Lemma 4.2, we got the following results.

**Lemma 4.9.** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring in which all subsets are strongly regular. Then for every  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$ , there is a  $\Delta$ -idempotent subset of  $R$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is any subset of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring  $R$ . Then  $A\Delta A$  is strongly regular subset of  $R$ , for each  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$ . By Lemma 4.2 there exist  $B \subseteq R$  and  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \subseteq \Gamma$  such that  $B \in V_{\Gamma_1}^{\Gamma_2}(A\Delta A)$  that is  $(A\Delta A)\Gamma_1B\Gamma_2(A\Delta A) = A\Delta A$  and  $B = B\Gamma_2(A\Delta A)\Gamma_1B$ . Let  $E = A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_2A$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} E\Delta E &= A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_2A\Delta A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_2A \\ &= A\Gamma_1(B\Gamma_2A\Delta A\Gamma_1B)\Gamma_2A \\ &= A\Gamma_1B\Gamma_2A \\ &= E. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $E$  is a  $\Delta$ -idempotent subset of  $R$ .  $\square$

Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring and  $R^*$  be a collection of all non-empty subsets of  $R$ . Consider  $R_\Delta^* = \{A\Delta B \mid A, B \in R^* \text{ and } \Delta \subseteq \Gamma\}$ . Clearly,  $R_\Delta^*$  is a semigroup since  $A, B \in R^*$  implies that  $A\Delta B \in R^*$  and  $(A\Delta B)\Delta C = A\Delta(B\Delta C)$ . By Lemma 4.9, it can be proved that every element of  $R_\Delta^*$  has right and left identity as well as right and left inverse with the given conditions.

**Theorem 4.10.** *Let  $R$  be a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring and all subsets of  $R$  be strongly regular. Then  $R_\Delta^*$  has an identity and every element of  $R_\Delta^*$  has a right (left) inverse if  $E\Delta F = F$  and  $E\Delta_1 F = E$  for any  $\Delta$ -idempotent subset  $E$  and  $\Delta_1$ -idempotent subset  $F$  of  $R$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $E\Delta F = F$  and  $E\Delta_1 F = E$  for any  $\Delta$ -idempotent  $E$  and  $\Delta_1$ -idempotent  $F$ . Then by Lemma 4.9, for  $\Delta \subseteq \Gamma$  there exists an idempotent  $E \subseteq R$  such that  $E = E\Delta E$ . Since all subsets of  $R$  are strongly regular, it follows that for any  $G \subseteq R$  there exist  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  subsets of  $\Gamma$  and  $B \subseteq R$  such that  $G = G\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 G$ . Now,  $(G\Gamma_1 B)\Gamma_2(G\Gamma_1 B) = (G\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 G)\Gamma_1 B = G\Gamma_1 B$  and  $(B\Gamma_2 G)\Gamma_1(B\Gamma_2 G) = B\Gamma_2(G\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 G) = B\Gamma_2 G$ . Thus  $G\Gamma_1 B$  is  $\Gamma_2$ -idempotent and  $B\Gamma_2 G$  is a  $\Gamma_1$ -idempotent. Then by given condition, we have  $(B\Gamma_2 G)\Delta E = B\Gamma_2 G$ . Then  $G\Delta E = (G\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 G)\Delta E = G\Gamma_1(B\Gamma_2 G\Delta E) = G\Gamma_1 B\Gamma_2 G = G$ . Hence  $E$  is the right identity in  $R_\Delta^*$ . Similarly we can show  $E$  is the left identity in  $R_\Delta^*$ . That is  $E$  is an identity in  $R_\Delta^*$ . Again, since  $G\Delta G \subseteq R$ , it follows that there exist subsets  $\Delta_1, \Delta_2$  of  $\Gamma$  and  $D \subseteq R$  such that  $(G\Delta G)\Delta_1 D\Delta_2(G\Delta G) = G\Delta G$ , then  $G\Delta G\Delta_1 D$  is an  $\Delta_2$ -idempotent. Hence by the given condition;  $(G\Delta G\Delta_1 D)\Delta_2 E = E$  we get  $G\Delta(G\Delta_1 D\Delta_2 E) = E$ . Hence for any  $G \subseteq R$ , there is the right inverse of  $G$  in  $R_\Delta^*$ . Similarly it can be proved  $D\Delta_2 G\Delta G$  is the left inverse of  $G$  in  $R_\Delta^*$ .  $\square$

**Conclusion.** In this paper we have studied the nature of sets and elements of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring with variety of examples and results. The relation between strongly regular elements and idempotent elements of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring has been developed. The notion of ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring could characterize the regularity conditions of  $\Gamma$ -semihyperring.

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