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GREEN'S RELATIONS ON A COMPACT SEMIGROUP

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Let  $S$  be a semigroup. Then  ${}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}$  will denote the equivalence on  $S$ : for  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a {}^{\circ}\mathbf{K} b$  if and only if there exist positive integers  $m, n$  such that  $a^m = b^n$ . In [1] J. T. Sedlock studies necessary and sufficient conditions on a periodic semigroup  $S$  in order that  ${}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}$  coincide with any one of the Green relations [2]. In our paper [3] we considered an arbitrary semigroup having similar properties.

The fact that any element  $x$  of a compact semigroup  $S$  belongs to some idempotent (see [4]) leads us to define an equivalence  ${}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}_{\tau}$  on  $S$  by: for  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a {}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}_{\tau} b$  if and only if the elements  $a, b$  belong to the same idempotent. The purpose of this article is to investigate the structure of compact semigroups such that  ${}^{\circ}\mathbf{K}_{\tau}$  coincides with any one of the Green relations.

Let  $\mathcal{C}(S)$  denote the set of all  $\mathcal{C}$ -closure operations for a non-empty set  $S$ , i.e.

$$(0) \quad \mathbf{U} \in \mathcal{C}(S) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{U} : \exp S \rightarrow \exp S$$

and

$$(1) \quad \mathbf{U}(\emptyset) = \emptyset,$$

$$(2) \quad A \subset B \subset S \Rightarrow \mathbf{U}(A) \subset \mathbf{U}(B),$$

$$(3) \quad A \subset \mathbf{U}(A) \text{ for each } A \subset S,$$

$$(4) \quad \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{U}(A)) = \mathbf{U}(A) \text{ for each } A \subset S$$

hold.

A subset  $A$  of  $S$  will be called  $\mathbf{U}$ -closed if  $\mathbf{U}(A) = A$ . The set of all  $\mathbf{U}$ -closed subsets of  $S$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{U})$ .

Let  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ . Then we define

$$\mathbf{U} \leq \mathbf{V} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{U}(A) \subset \mathbf{V}(A) \text{ for each } A \subset S.$$

We have

$$(5) \quad \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{U} \vee \mathbf{V}) = \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{U}) \cap \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{V}),$$

$$(6) \quad \mathbf{U} \leq \mathbf{V} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{V}) \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{U}).$$

We shall denote by  $\mathcal{Q}(S)$  the set of all  $\mathcal{Q}$ -closure operations for a set  $S$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{Q}(S) \subset \mathcal{C}(S)$  and for every  $\mathbf{U} \in \mathcal{Q}(S)$  and for every  $A \subset S$

$$(7) \quad \mathbf{U}(A) = \bigcup_{x \in A} \mathbf{U}(x)$$

holds. If  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathcal{Q}(S)$  then

$$(8) \quad \mathbf{U} \leq \mathbf{V} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{U}(x) \subset \mathbf{V}(x) \quad \text{for each } x \in S.$$

Let  $\mathbf{U} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ . We define  $\mathbf{U}^* \in \mathcal{Q}(S)$ . If  $A \subset S$  then  $x \in \mathbf{U}^*(A)$  if and only if  $\mathbf{U}(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . For  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$  we have

$$9) \quad \mathbf{U} \leq \mathbf{V} \Rightarrow \mathbf{U}^* \leq \mathbf{V}^*,$$

$$(10) \quad \mathbf{U}(x) = \mathbf{U}^{**}(x) \quad \text{for every } x \in S,$$

$$(11) \quad \mathbf{U}^* = \mathbf{U}^{***} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{U}^{**} \leq \mathbf{U}.$$

See [5].

Let  $\mathbf{U} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ . We shall introduce the equivalence  ${}^\circ\mathbf{U}$  on  $S$  by: for  $x, y \in S$ ,  $x {}^\circ\mathbf{U} y$  if and only if  $\mathbf{U}(x) = \mathbf{U}(y)$ . For any element  $x$  of  $S$ , let  $\mathbf{U}_x$  denote the  ${}^\circ\mathbf{U}$ -class of  $S$  containing  $x$ . If  $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$  then we have

$$(12) \quad \mathbf{U} \leq \mathbf{V} \Rightarrow {}^\circ\mathbf{U} \subset {}^\circ\mathbf{V},$$

$$(13) \quad {}^\circ(\mathbf{U} \wedge \mathbf{V}) = {}^\circ\mathbf{U} \cap {}^\circ\mathbf{V},$$

$$(14) \quad x {}^\circ\mathbf{U} y \Leftrightarrow x \in \mathbf{U}(y) \quad \text{and} \quad y \in \mathbf{U}(x).$$

See [3].

Let  $S$  be an arbitrary semigroup. For any  $A \subset S$ ,  $A \neq \emptyset$ , let us put  $\mathbf{L}(A) = SA \cup A$  and  $\mathbf{R}(A) = AS \cup A$ . Finally,  $\mathbf{L}(\emptyset) = \emptyset = \mathbf{R}(\emptyset)$ . Clearly  $\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{R} \in \mathcal{Q}(S)$ . Put  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{L} \vee \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{L} \wedge \mathbf{R}$ .  $F(\mathbf{L})$  [ $F(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $F(\mathbf{M})$ ,  $F(\mathbf{H})$ ] is the set of all left [right, two-sided, quasi] ideals of  $S$  (including  $\emptyset$ ). It is known that

$$(15) \quad H_e \text{ is the maximal subgroup of } S \text{ belonging to the idempotent } e.$$

Put  $\mathbf{P}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ . If  $A \subset S$ ,  $A \neq \emptyset$ , then by  $\mathbf{P}(A)$  we denote the subsemigroup generated by all elements of  $A$ . Evidently  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ ,  $\mathbf{P} \leq \mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{P})$  is the set of all subsemigroups of  $S$  (including  $\emptyset$ ). See [5].

Let  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{P}^* \vee \mathbf{P}^{**}$ . Then  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}^*$  and  $x {}^\circ\mathbf{K} y$  if and only if there exist positive integers  $n, m$  such that  $x^n = y^m$ . See [3].

Let now  $S$  be a compact (Hausdorff) semigroup. If  $A \subset S$ , then by  $\mathbf{T}(A)$  we denote the closure of  $A$ . It is known that  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$  and

$$(16) \quad \mathbf{T}(A \cup B) = \mathbf{T}(A) \cup \mathbf{T}(B) \quad \text{for } A \subset S \quad \text{and } B \subset S,$$

$$(17) \quad \mathbf{T}(x) = \{x\} \quad \text{for each } x \in S.$$

We shall prove that

$$(18) \quad \mathbf{T}(AB) = \mathbf{T}(A) \mathbf{T}(B) \quad \text{for } \emptyset \neq A \subset S \quad \text{and for } \emptyset \neq B \subset S.$$

Actually, it follows from 2.1.3 [6] that  $\mathbf{T}(A) \mathbf{T}(B) \subset \mathbf{T}(AB)$ . Since  $\mathbf{T}(A), \mathbf{T}(B)$  are compact, it follows from 2.1.5 [6] that  $\mathbf{T}(A) \mathbf{T}(B)$  is also compact and thus we have  $\mathbf{T}(A) \mathbf{T}(B) \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{T})$ . By (3), we obtain that  $A \subset \mathbf{T}(A), B \subset \mathbf{T}(B)$ . Hence  $AB \subset \mathbf{T}(A) \mathbf{T}(B)$ . Using (2), we have  $\mathbf{T}(AB) \subset \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{T}(A) \mathbf{T}(B)) = \mathbf{T}(A) \mathbf{T}(B)$ . This means that (18) holds.

Put  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{P} \vee \mathbf{T}$ . It follows from (5) that  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}})$  is the set of all closed subsemigroups of  $S$  (including  $\emptyset$ ). It is known from [4] that for  $x \in S$

$$(19) \quad \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(x) = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{P}(x)) \text{ is the commutative subsemigroup having a unique idempotent.}$$

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $A \subset S$ . Then  $A \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*)$  if and only if*

$$(20) \quad \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow x \in A$$

for every  $x \in S$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*)$ . If  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for some  $x \in S$ , then there exists  $y$  such that  $y \in \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(x)$  and  $y \in A$ . It follows from (2) that  $x \in \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(y) \subset \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A) = A$ .

Let (20) hold for every  $x \in S$ . Evidently  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^* \in \mathcal{Q}(S)$ . If  $A \neq \emptyset$ , then by (7) we have  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A) = \bigcup_{x \in A} \mathbf{P}^*(x)$ . If  $y \in \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A)$ , then  $y \in \mathbf{P}^*(x)$  for some  $x \in A$ . Since  $x \in \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(y)$ , it follows by (20) that  $y \in A$ . Therefore,  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A) \subset A$ . It follows from (3) that  $A = \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A) \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*)$ .

**Remark.** Let  $A \subset S, A \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A)$  is the set of all almost nilpotent elements (in *topological sense*) with respect to  $A$ . (See [7].)

*Proof.* If  $x \in \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A)$ , then there exists  $y \in A \cap \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(x) = A \cap \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{P}(x))$ . If  $O$  is an arbitrary neighbourhood of  $A$ , then  $O$  is also a neighbourhood of  $y$  and thus  $x^n \in O$  for some positive integer  $n$ . Therefore, the element  $x$  is almost nilpotent with respect to  $A$ .

If  $x$  is an almost nilpotent element with respect to  $A$ , then in every neighbourhood of  $A$  there exists at least one element of  $\mathbf{P}(x)$ . Suppose that  $x \notin \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A)$ . This implies that  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(x) \cap A = \emptyset$ . Evidently  $O = S - \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}(x) = S - \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{P}(x))$  is a neighbourhood of  $A$  and  $A \cap \mathbf{P}(x) = \emptyset$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $x \in \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}}^*(A)$ .

**Definition.**  $K_T = P_T^* \vee P_T^{**}$ .

**Lemma 2.**  $K_T = K_T^*$ .

*Proof.* (9) implies that  $P_T^{**} \leq K_T^*$  and  $P_T^{***} \leq K_T^*$ . It follows from (11) that  $K_T = P_T^* \vee P_T^{**} \leq K_T^*$ . According to (9) and (11), we have  $K_T^* \leq K_T^{**} \leq K_T$ . Hence  $K_T = K_T^*$ .

**Lemma 3.** Let  $x, e \in S$  and let  $e^2 = e$ . If  $e \in P_T(x)$ , then  $x^\circ K_T e$ .

*Proof.* If  $e \in P_T(x)$ , then  $x \in P_T^*(e) \subset K_T(e)$ . It follows from (10) that  $e \in P_T(x) = P_T^{**}(x) \subset K_T(x)$ . (14) implies that  $x^\circ K_T e$ .

**Lemma 4.** Let  $e, f \in S$  and let  $e^2 = e, f^2 = f$ . If  $e^\circ K_T f$ , then  $e = f$ .

*Proof.* Using (14) we obtain  $e \in K_T(f)$ . Let  $A = \{u \in S \mid f \in P_T(u)\}$ . We shall show that  $A \in \mathcal{F}(K_T) = \mathcal{F}(P_T^* \vee P_T^{**}) = \mathcal{F}(P_T^*) \cap \mathcal{F}(P_T^{**})$  (see (5)). If  $P_T(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for some  $x \in S$ , then there exists  $u$  such that  $u \in A$  and  $u \in P_T(x)$ . This implies that  $f \in P_T(u) \subset P_T(x)$  and thus we have  $x \in A$ . By Lemma 1,  $A \in \mathcal{F}(P_T^*)$ . If  $x \in P_T^{**}(A)$ , then by (7) and (10) we have  $x \in P_T^{**}(u) = P_T(u)$  for some  $u \in A$ . This implies that  $P_T(x) \subset P_T(u)$ . Since  $f \in P_T(u)$ , hence, by (19),  $f \in P_T(x)$  and thus  $x \in A$ . This means that  $P_T^{**}(A) \subset A$  and according to (3) we obtain  $A = P_T^{**}(A) \in \mathcal{F}(P_T^{**})$ . Therefore,  $A \in \mathcal{F}(K_T)$ . Since  $f \in A$ , (2) and (4) imply  $e \in K_T(f) \subset A$  and thus we have  $f \in P_T(e) = \{e\}$  (see (17)). Therefore,  $e = f$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $x, y \in S$ . Then  $x^\circ K_T y$  if and only if there exists an idempotent  $e$  of  $S$  such that

$$(21) \quad e \in P_T(x) \cap P_T(y).$$

*Proof.* Let  $x^\circ K_T y$ . By (19) there exist  $e, f$  of  $S$  such that  $e = e^2 \in P_T(x)$  and  $f = f^2 \in P_T(y)$ . Lemma 3 implies that  $e^\circ K_T f$ . According to Lemma 4, we have  $f = e$  and  $e \in P_T(x) \cap P_T(y)$ .

Let (21) hold. Then according to Lemma 3, we have  $x^\circ K_T e$  and  $y^\circ K_T e$ . This implies that  $x^\circ K_T y$ .

**Lemma 5.**  $K \leq K_T$  and  ${}^\circ K \subset {}^\circ K_T$ .

*Proof.* Evidently  $P \leq P \vee T = P_T$  and (9) implies that  $P^* \leq P_T^*$  and  $P^{**} \leq P_T^{**}$ . Therefore,  $K \leq K_T$ . By (12), we have  ${}^\circ K \subset {}^\circ K_T$ .

**Lemma 6.** If  $e$  is an idempotent of  $S$ , then  $eK_{Te} = K_{Te}e = H_e$ .

*Proof.* See Theorem 8 in [4].

Put  $L_T = L \vee T$ ,  $R_T = R \vee T$  and  $M_T = M \vee T$ . Note that  $M_T = L_T \vee R_T$ . It follows from (5) that  $\mathcal{F}(L_T) [\mathcal{F}(R_T), \mathcal{F}(M_T)]$  is the set of all closed left [right, two-sided] 'deals of  $S$  (including  $\emptyset$ ).

**Lemma 7.** *We have*

1.  ${}^\circ L = {}^\circ L_T$  and  $L = L_T^{**}$ ,
2.  ${}^\circ R = {}^\circ R_T$  and  $R = R_T^{**}$ ,
3.  ${}^\circ M = {}^\circ M_T$  and  $M = M_T^{**}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in S$ . It follows from (16), (17), (18) and (5) that  $L(x) \in \mathcal{F}(L_T)$ . This implies that  $L(x) = L_T(x)$ . By (14), we have  ${}^\circ L = {}^\circ L_T$ . Further, by (10), we obtain that  $L(x) = L_T^{**}(x)$ . According to (8), we have  $L = L_T^{**}$ .

Analogously we can prove the statements 2 and 3.

**Lemma 8.**  $L \leq R$  if and only if  $L_T \leq R_T$ .

*Proof.* If  $L \leq R$ , then  $L_T = L \vee T \leq R \vee T = R_T$ . Let  $L_T \leq R_T$ . Then  $L_T(x) \subset R_T(x)$  for every  $x \in S$ . According to the proof of Lemma 7, we have  $L(x) \subset R(x)$ . It follows from (8) that  $L \leq R$ .

**Lemma 9.** *If  $A \subset S$ ,  $A \neq \emptyset$ , then*

$$(22) \quad \bigcap_{x \in A} xS = \bigcap_{x \in T(A)} xS$$

*holds.*

*Proof.* Let  $z \in \bigcap_{x \in A} xS$ . Suppose that  $z \notin \bigcap_{x \in T(A)} xS$ . It follows that  $z \notin uS$  for some  $u \in T(A)$ . By (17) and (18),  $uS$  is a closed subset of the compact semigroup  $S$  and there exists a neighbourhood  $O$  of  $uS$  such that  $z \notin O$ . Evidently  $ua \in O$  for every  $a \in S$ . It follows from the continuity of multiplication that there exist neighbourhoods  $O_a(u)$  of  $u$  and  $O(a)$  of  $a$  such that  $O_a(u) O(a) \subset O$ . It is clear that  $S = \bigcup_{a \in S} O(a)$ .

Since  $S$  is a compact semigroup, there exists a finite system  $O(a_1), O(a_2), \dots, O(a_n)$  which also covers  $S$ . If we put  $O_0(u) = O_{a_1}(u) \cap O_{a_2}(u) \cap \dots \cap O_{a_n}(u)$ , then  $O_0(u) S \subset O$ . Since  $O_0(u)$  is a neighbourhood of  $u$ , there exists  $x \in A \cap O_0(u)$ . Evidently  $z \in xS$ . If  $z = xb$  for some  $b \in S$ , then  $z \in O_0(u) S \subset O$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $z \in \bigcap_{x \in T(A)} xS$ . According to (3), we have  $A \subset T(A)$  so that  $\bigcap_{x \in T(A)} xS \subset \bigcap_{x \in A} xS$ . Hence (22) holds.

**Lemma 10.** *If  $A \subset S$ ,  $A \neq \emptyset$ , then*

$$(23) \quad \bigcap_{x \in A} SxS = \bigcap_{x \in T(A)} SxS$$

*holds.*

**Proof.** Let  $z \in \bigcap_{x \in A} SxS$ . Suppose that  $z \notin \bigcap_{x \in T(A)} SxS$ . It follows that  $z \notin SuS$  for some  $u \in T(A)$ . By (17) and (18),  $SuS$  is a closed subset of the compact semigroup  $S$  and there exists a neighbourhood  $O$  of  $SuS$  such that  $z \notin O$ . Evidently  $aub \in O$  for every  $a, b \in S$ . It follows from the proof of Lemma 9 that there exist neighbourhoods  $O'_a(au)$  of  $au$  such that  $O'_a(au)S \subset O$  for every  $a \in S$ . The continuity of multiplication implies that there exist neighbourhoods  $O(a)$  of  $a$  and  $O_a(u)$  of  $u$  such that  $O(a)O_a(u) \subset O'_a(au)$ . Evidently  $S = \bigcup_{a \in S} O(a)$ . Since  $S$  is a compact semigroup, there exists a finite system  $O(a_1), O(a_2), \dots, O(a_n)$  which also covers  $S$ . If we put  $O_0(u) = O_{a_1}(u) \cap O_{a_2}(u) \cap \dots \cap O_{a_n}(u)$ , then  $SO_0(u)S \subset (\bigcap_{i=1}^n O'_i(a_iu))S \subset O$ . Since  $O_0(u)$  is a neighbourhood of  $u$ , there exists  $x \in A \cap O_0(u)$ . Evidently  $z \in SxS$ . If  $z = axb$  for some  $a, b \in S$ , then  $z \in SO_0(u)S \subset O$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $z \in \bigcap_{x \in T(A)} SxS$ . The rest of the proof is analogous to that of Lemma 9.

**Theorem 2.** *The following conditions on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

1.  $S$  is right regular;
2.  $P_T^* \leq R_T$ ;
3.  $K_T \leq R_T$ ;
4.  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ R$ .

**Proof.** 1  $\Rightarrow$  2. Let  $S$  be a right regular semigroup. Let  $A$  be a closed right ideal of  $S$ , i.e.  $A \in \mathcal{F}(R_T)$ . If  $u \in P_T(x) \cap A$  ( $x \in S$ ), then by (2) we have  $R_T(u) \subset A$ . Since  $S$  is right regular,  $x \in x^n S$  for every positive integer  $n$ . It follows from Lemma 9 that  $x \in \bigcap_{v \in P_T(x)} vS = \bigcap_{v \in P_T(x)} vS$ . This implies that  $x \in uS \subset R_T(u) \subset A$ . By Lemma 1 we have  $A \in \mathcal{F}(P_T^*)$ . It follows from (6) that  $P_T^* \leq R_T$ .

2  $\Rightarrow$  3. Suppose  $P_T^* \leq R_T$ . Since  $P \leq R$ , it holds  $P_T \leq R_T$ . According to (9) and Lemma 7, we have  $P_T^{**} \leq R_T^{**} = R \leq R_T$ . Thus  $K_T = P_T^* \vee P_T^{**} \leq R_T$ .

3  $\Rightarrow$  4. This follows from (12) and from Lemma 7.

4  $\Rightarrow$  1. If  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ R$ , then by Lemma 5 we have  ${}^\circ K \subset {}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ R$ . It follows from Theorem 6 in [3] that  $S$  is right regular.

The dual statement reads as follows:

**Theorem 3.** *The following conditions on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

1.  $S$  is left regular;
2.  $P_T^* \leq L_T$ ;
3.  $K_T \leq L_T$ ;
4.  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ L$ .

**Theorem 4.** *The following conditions on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

1.  $S$  is a union of groups;
2.  $P_T^* \leq R_T \wedge L_T$ ;
3.  $K_T \leq R_T \wedge L_T$ ;
4.  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ H$ .

*Proof.*  $1 \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow 3$ . This follows from Theorem 2 and Theorem 3.

$3 \Rightarrow 4$ . It follows from (12), Lemma 7 and (13) that  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ(R_T \wedge L_T) = {}^\circ R_T \cap {}^\circ L_T = {}^\circ R \cap {}^\circ L = {}^\circ(R \wedge L) = {}^\circ H$ .

$4 \Rightarrow 1$ . If  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ H$ , then by Lemma 5 we have  ${}^\circ K \subset {}^\circ H$ . It follows from Theorem 8 in [3] that  $S$  is a union of groups.

**Theorem 5.** *The following conditions on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

1.  $S$  is intraregular;
2.  $P_T^* \leq M_T$ ;
3.  $K_T \leq M_T$ ;
4.  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ M$ .

*Proof.*  $1 \Rightarrow 2$ . Let  $S$  be an intraregular semigroup. Let  $A$  be a closed two-sided ideal of  $S$ , i.e.  $A \in \mathcal{F}(M_T)$ . If  $u \in P_T(x) \cap A$  ( $x \in S$ ), then by (2) we have  $M_T(u) \subset A$ . For every positive integer  $n$ , we have  $x^{n+2} \in Sx^nS$ . It follows from Theorem 9 of [3] and (6) that  $Sx^nS \in \mathcal{F}(M) \subset \mathcal{F}(P^*)$ . Lemma 2 in [3] implies that  $x \in Sx^nS$ . It follows from Lemma 10 that  $x \in \bigcap_{v \in P(x)} SvS = \bigcap_{v \in P_T(x)} SvS$ . This implies that  $x \in SuS \subset M_T(u) \subset A$ . It follows from Lemma 1 that  $A \in \mathcal{F}(P_T^*)$ . By (6) we have  $P_T^* \leq M_T$ .

$2 \Rightarrow 3 \Rightarrow 4$ . The proof is analogous to the proof of Theorem 2.

$4 \Rightarrow 1$ . If  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ M$ , then by Lemma 5 we have  ${}^\circ K \subset {}^\circ M$ . It follows from Theorem 9 of [3] that  $S$  is intraregular.

**Theorem 6.** *The conditions of Theorems 2, 3, 4 and 5 and the following condition on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

$${}^\circ K_T = {}^\circ H.$$

*Proof.* 2 of Theorem 2  $\Rightarrow$  2 of Theorem 5. If  $P_T^* \leq R_T$ , then  $P_T^* \leq R_T \leq M_T$ .

2 of Theorem 5  $\Rightarrow$  1 of Theorem 4. Let  $x \in S$ . It follows from (19) that  $e \in P_T(x)$  where  $e^2 = e$ . By Theorem 1 and Lemma 6 we have  $ex \in H_e$ . (15) and (6) imply that  $e \in SexS \in \mathcal{F}(M_T) \subset \mathcal{F}(P_T^*)$ . According to Lemma 1, we obtain that  $x \in SexS$ . Then there exist  $a, b \in S$  such that  $x = aexb$ . If we put  $c = ae$ , then  $x = cexb$  and  $c = ce$ . This implies that  $x = c^n exb^n$  and  $c^n = c^n e$  for any positive integer  $n$ . Let



$f \in \mathbf{P}_T(c)$  where  $f^2 = f$  (see (19)). Then by Lemma 9 we have  $x \in \bigcap_{v \in \mathbf{P}(c)} vS = \bigcap_{v \in \mathbf{P}_T(c)} vS$  so that  $x \in fS$ . Since  $\mathbf{P}(c) = \mathbf{P}(c)e$ , we obtain by (18) and (17) that  $\mathbf{P}_T(c) = \mathbf{P}_T(c)e$ . Since  $f \in \mathbf{P}_T(c)$ , it holds  $f = ue$  for some  $u \in \mathbf{P}_T(c)$ . Therefore  $f = ue = ue^2 = fe$ . Since  $x \in fS$ ,  $x = fz$  holds for some  $z \in S$ . This implies that  $x = fz = f^2z = fx = fex$ . According to (19), we have  $ex = xe$  and thus  $\mathbf{R}(xe) \subset \mathbf{R}(x) = \mathbf{R}(fex) = \mathbf{R}(fxe) = \mathbf{R}(xe)$ . Therefore  $\mathbf{R}(x) = \mathbf{R}(xe) = \mathbf{R}(ex) = e\mathbf{R}(x)$ . Since  $x \in e\mathbf{R}(x)$ , it is  $x = ew$  for some  $w \in \mathbf{R}(x)$ . This implies that  $x = ew = e^2w = ex \in \mathbf{H}_e$ . Hence  $S$  is a union of groups.

4 of Theorem 4  $\Rightarrow \circ\mathbf{K}_T = \circ\mathbf{H}$ . Suppose  $\circ\mathbf{K}_T \subset \circ\mathbf{H}$ . If  $\circ\mathbf{K}_T \neq \circ\mathbf{H}$ , then there exist  $x, y \in S$  such that  $\mathbf{K}_{Tx} \neq \mathbf{K}_{Ty}$  and  $\mathbf{K}_{Tx} \subset \mathbf{H}_x = \mathbf{H}_y \supset \mathbf{K}_{Ty}$ . Let  $e \in \mathbf{P}_T(x)$  ( $e^2 = e$ ) and let  $f \in \mathbf{P}_T(y)$  ( $f^2 = f$ ). Lemma 3 implies that  $e \in \mathbf{K}_{Tx}$  and  $f \in \mathbf{K}_{Ty}$  and thus we obtain that  $e, f \in \mathbf{H}_x$ . According to (15), we have  $e = f$  so that  $\mathbf{K}_{Tx} = \mathbf{K}_{Te} = \mathbf{K}_{Ty}$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $\circ\mathbf{K}_T = \circ\mathbf{H}$ .

$\circ\mathbf{K}_T = \circ\mathbf{H} \Rightarrow$  4 of Theorem 3. This follows from  $\circ\mathbf{H} \subset \circ\mathbf{L}$  (see (12)).

2 of Theorem 3  $\Rightarrow$  1 of Theorem 2. Let  $x \in S$ . It follows from (19) that  $e \in \mathbf{P}_T(x)$  where  $e^2 = e$ . Since  $e \in Se \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{L}_T) \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{P}_T^*)$  (see (6)), hence  $\mathbf{P}_T(x) \cap Se \neq \emptyset$ . By Lemma 1 we have that  $x \in Se$ . Therefore  $x = ue$  for some  $u \in S$  and so  $x = ue = ue^2 = xe$ . According to Lemma 6 and Lemma 3, we have  $x \in \mathbf{H}_e$ . This implies that  $S$  is a union of groups and therefore,  $S$  is right regular.

**Theorem 7.** *The following conditions on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

1.  $S$  is a semilattice of right groups;
2.  $S$  is a union of groups and  $\mathbf{L}_T \leq \mathbf{R}_T$ ;
3.  $\mathbf{P}_T^* \leq \mathbf{L}_T \leq \mathbf{R}_T$ ;
4.  $\mathbf{K}_T \leq \mathbf{L}_T \leq \mathbf{R}_T$ ;
5.  $\circ\mathbf{K}_T \subset \circ\mathbf{L} \subset \circ\mathbf{R}$ ;
6.  $\circ\mathbf{K}_T = \circ\mathbf{L}$ .

*Proof.* 1  $\Rightarrow$  2. It follows from Theorem 10 of [3] that  $S$  is a union of groups and  $\mathbf{L} \leq \mathbf{R}$ . By Lemma 8 we have  $\mathbf{L}_T \leq \mathbf{R}_T$ .

2  $\Rightarrow$  3  $\Rightarrow$  4  $\Rightarrow$  5. This follows from Theorem 3, Theorem 4 and from (12).

5  $\Rightarrow$  6. If  $\circ\mathbf{L} \subset \circ\mathbf{R}$ , then by Theorem 6 and (13) we have  $\circ\mathbf{K}_T = \circ\mathbf{H} = \circ\mathbf{L}$ .

6  $\Rightarrow$  1. If  $\circ\mathbf{K}_T = \circ\mathbf{L}$ , then by Theorem 6 and Lemma 5 we have  $\circ\mathbf{K} \subset \circ\mathbf{K}_T = \circ\mathbf{L} = \circ\mathbf{H} \subset \circ\mathbf{R}$ . Theorem 10 in [3] implies that  $S$  is a semilattice of right groups.

We have:

**Theorem 8.** *The following conditions on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

1.  $S$  is a semilattice of left groups;
2.  $S$  is a union of groups and  $\mathbf{R}_T \leq \mathbf{L}_T$ ;

3.  $P_T^* \leq R_T \leq L_T$ ;
4.  $K_T \leq R_T \leq L_T$ ;
5.  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ R \subset {}^\circ L$ ;
6.  ${}^\circ K_T = {}^\circ R$ .

**Theorem 9.** *The following conditions on a semigroup  $S$  are equivalent:*

1.  $S$  is a semilattice of groups;
2.  $S$  is a union of groups and  $L_T = R_T$ ;
3.  $P_T^* \leq L_T = R_T$ ;
4.  $K_T \leq L_T = R_T$ ;
5.  ${}^\circ K_T \subset {}^\circ L = {}^\circ R$ ;
6.  ${}^\circ K_T = {}^\circ L = {}^\circ R$ ;
7.  ${}^\circ K_T = {}^\circ M$ .

*Proof.*  $1 \Rightarrow 2$ . It follows from Theorem 12 of [3] that  $S$  is a union of groups and  $L = R$ . Thus we have  $L_T = R_T$ .

$2 \Rightarrow 3 \Rightarrow 4 \Rightarrow 5 \Rightarrow 6$ . This follows from Theorem 7 and Theorem 8.

$6 \Rightarrow 7$ . It follows from Theorems 7 and 8 that  $L_T = R_T$ . According to Lemma 8 and its dual, we have  $L = R = M$  so that  ${}^\circ K_T = {}^\circ L = {}^\circ M$ .

$7 \Rightarrow 1$ . Theorem 6 implies that  ${}^\circ H = {}^\circ K_T = {}^\circ M = {}^\circ L = {}^\circ R$ . According to Lemma 5, we have  ${}^\circ K \subset {}^\circ L = {}^\circ R$ . It follows from Theorem 12 in [3] that  $S$  is a semilattice of groups.

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