# Commutative dimonoids 

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#### Abstract

We present some congruence on the dimonoid with a commutative operation and use it to obtain a decomposition of a commutative dimonoid.


## 1. Introduction

Jean-Louis Loday introduced the notion of dimonoid [1]. Dimonoid is a set equipped with two associative operations satisfying some axioms (see, below). If the operations of a dimonoid coincide, then the dimonoid becomes a semigroup. The first result about dimonoids is the description of free dimonoid generated by a given set [1]. Other notion which belongs to the theory of semigroups is a notion of band of semigroups. The decompositions of semigroups are effectively described according to the construction of a band of semigroups. Tamura and Kimura [2] proved, in particular, that every commutative semigroup is a semilattice of archimedean semigroups. The decompositions of some semigroups were studied in the terms of bands in the papers [3-4].

In this work we introduce the notion of diband of dimonoids to describe the decompositions of dimonoids. In section 2 we give the necessary definitions, some properties of dimonoids with one and two commutative operations (Lemmas 1-4) and one example of a dimonoid. In section 3 we first present the least idempotent congruence on an arbitrary dimonoid with a commutative operation (Theorem 1). The main result of this paper is a generalization of the theorem by Tamura and Kimura (Theorem

[^0]2): every commutative dimonoid is a semilattice of archimedean subdimonoids. In section 4 we construct different examples of dimonoids.

## 2. Preliminaries

A set $D$ equipped with two associative operations $\prec$ and $\succ$ satisfying the following axioms:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (x \prec y) \prec z=x \prec(y \succ z), \\
& (x \succ y) \prec z=x \succ(y \prec z), \\
& (x \prec y) \succ z=x \succ(y \succ z)
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x, y, z \in D$, is called a dimonoid.
A map $f$ from dimonoid $D_{1}$ to dimonoid $D_{2}$ is homomorphism, if $(x \prec y) f=x f \prec y f,(x \succ y) f=x f \succ y f$ for all $x, y \in D_{1}$.

Define the notion of diband of dimonoids.
A dimonoid $(D, \prec, \succ)$ will be called idempotent dimonoid or diband, if $x \prec x=x=x \succ x$ for all $x \in D$.

If $\varphi: S \rightarrow T$ is a homomorphism of dimonoids, then corresponding congruence on $S$ will be denoted by $\Delta_{\varphi}$.

Let $S$ be an arbitrary dimonoid, $J$ be some idempotent dimonoid. If there exists homomorphism

$$
\alpha: S \rightarrow J: x \mapsto x \alpha
$$

then every class of congruence $\Delta_{\alpha}$ is a subdimonoid of the dimonoid $S$, and dimonoid $S$ itself is a union of such dimonoids $S_{\xi}, \xi \in J$ that

$$
\begin{gathered}
x \alpha=\xi \Leftrightarrow x \in S_{\xi}=\Delta_{\alpha}^{x}=\left\{t \in S \mid(x ; t) \in \Delta_{\alpha}\right\}, \\
S_{\xi} \prec S_{\varepsilon} \subseteq S_{\xi \prec \varepsilon}, \quad S_{\xi} \succ S_{\varepsilon} \subseteq S_{\xi \succ \varepsilon}, \\
\xi \neq \varepsilon \Rightarrow S_{\xi} \bigcap S_{\varepsilon}=\emptyset .
\end{gathered}
$$

In this case we say that $S$ is decomposable into a diband of subdimonoids (or $S$ is a diband $J$ of subdimonoids $S_{\xi}(\xi \in J)$ ). If $J$ is an idempotent semigroup (band), then we say that $S$ is a band $J$ of subdimonoids $S_{\xi}(\xi \in J)$.

As usual $N$ denotes the set of positive integers.
Let $(D, \prec, \succ)$ be a dimonoid, $a \in D, n \in N$. Denote by $a^{n}$ (respectively, $n a$ ) the degree $n$ of an element $a$ concerning the operation $\prec$ (respectively, $\succ$ ).

Lemma 1. Let $(D, \prec, \succ)$ be a dimonoid with a commutative operation $\prec$. For all $b, c \in D, m \in N, m>1$,

$$
(b \prec c)^{m}=b^{m} \succ c^{m}=(b \succ c)^{m}
$$

Proof. For any $b, c \in D$ we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
(b \prec c)^{m}=b^{m} \prec c^{m}=b^{m} \prec c^{m-1} \prec c= \\
=\left(c \prec b^{m}\right) \prec c^{m-1}=c \prec\left(b^{m} \succ c^{m-1}\right)= \\
=\left(b^{m} \succ c^{m-1}\right) \prec c=b^{m} \succ\left(c^{m-1} \prec c\right)=b^{m} \succ c^{m}
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the commutativity of $\prec$ and axioms of dimonoid.
We prove that $b^{m} \succ c^{m}=(b \succ c)^{m}$ using an induction on $m$. For $m=2$ we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
b^{2} \succ c^{2}=(b \prec b) \succ(c \prec c)=b \succ(b \succ(c \prec c))= \\
=b \succ((b \succ c) \prec c)=b \succ(c \prec(b \succ c))= \\
=(b \succ c) \prec(b \succ c)=(b \succ c)^{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the commutativity of $\prec$ and axioms of dimonoid.
Let $b^{k} \succ c^{k}=(b \succ c)^{k}$ for $m=k$. Then for $m=k+1$ we obtain

$$
\begin{gathered}
(b \succ c)^{k+1}=(b \succ c)^{k} \prec(b \succ c)= \\
=\left(b^{k} \succ c^{k}\right) \prec(b \succ c)=b^{k} \succ\left(c^{k} \prec(b \succ c)\right)= \\
=b^{k} \succ\left((b \succ c) \prec c^{k}\right)=b^{k} \succ\left(b \succ\left(c \prec c^{k}\right)\right)= \\
=b^{k} \succ\left(b \succ c^{k+1}\right)=\left(b^{k} \prec b\right) \succ c^{k+1}=b^{k+1} \succ c^{k+1}
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the supposition, the commutativity of $\prec$ and axioms of dimonoid.

Thus, $b^{m} \succ c^{m}=(b \succ c)^{m}$ for $m>1$.
A dimonoid $(D, \prec, \succ)$ will be called commutative, if its both operations are commutative.

Lemma 2. In commutative dimonoid $(D, \prec, \succ)$ the equalities

$$
\begin{gathered}
(x \prec y) \prec z=x \prec(y \succ z)= \\
=(x \succ y) \prec z=x \succ(y \prec z)= \\
=(x \prec y) \succ z=x \succ(y \succ z)
\end{gathered}
$$

hold for all $x, y, z \in D$.

Proof. We have for all $x, y, z \in D$

$$
\begin{gathered}
(x \prec y) \succ z=z \succ(x \prec y)= \\
=(z \succ x) \prec y=(x \succ z) \prec y= \\
=x \succ(z \prec y)=x \succ(y \prec z)=(x \succ y) \prec z, \\
(x \succ y) \prec z=z \prec(x \succ y)=(z \prec x) \prec y= \\
=(x \prec y) \prec z=x \prec(y \succ z)
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the commutativity and axioms of dimonoid. Hence,

$$
(x \prec y) \succ z=x \prec(y \succ z) .
$$

From Lemma 2 it follows that the operations $\prec$ and $\succ$ of a commutative dimonoid ( $D, \prec, \succ$ ) is indistinguishable for three and more multipliers and the product of these elements doesn't depend on the parenthesizing.

Lemma 3. The operations of any commutative dimonoid $(D, \prec, \succ)$ with an idempotent operation $\prec$ coincide

Proof. We have for all $x, y, z \in D$

$$
(x \prec y) \succ z=(x \prec y) \prec z
$$

according to Lemma 2. Hence, setting $x=y$, we obtain $x \prec z=x \succ z$ for all $x, z \in D$.

Let $(D, \prec, \succ)$ be a dimonoid, $n \in N$. Recall that we denote by $n a$ the degree $n$ of an element $a \in D$ concerning the operation $\succ$.

Lemma 4. Let $(D, \prec, \succ)$ be a dimonoid with a commutative operation $\succ$. For all $b \in D, m \in N$,

$$
2 b^{m}=(2 m) b
$$

Proof. We use an induction on $m$. For $m=1$, obviously, the equality is correct. For $m=2$ we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
2 b^{2}=(b \prec b) \succ(b \prec b)=((b \prec b) \succ b) \prec b= \\
=(b \succ(b \succ b)) \prec b=b \succ((b \succ b) \prec b)= \\
=((b \succ b) \prec b) \succ b=(b \succ b) \succ(b \succ b)=2 b \succ 2 b=4 b
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the axioms of dimonoid and the commutativity of $\succ$.
Let $2 b^{k}=(2 k) b$ for $m=k$. Then for $m=k+1$ we obtain

$$
\begin{gathered}
(2(k+1)) b=(2 k+2) b=(2 k) b \succ 2 b= \\
=2 b^{k} \succ 2 b=\left(b^{k} \succ b\right) \succ\left(b^{k} \succ b\right)= \\
=b^{k} \succ\left(b \succ\left(b^{k} \succ b\right)\right)=\left(b^{k} \prec b\right) \succ\left(b^{k} \succ b\right)= \\
=b^{k+1} \succ\left(b^{k} \succ b\right)=b^{k} \succ\left(b \succ b^{k+1}\right)= \\
=\left(b^{k} \prec b\right) \succ b^{k+1}=b^{k+1} \succ b^{k+1}=2 b^{k+1}
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the supposition, axioms of dimonoid and the commutativity of $\succ$. Thus, $2 b^{m}=(2 m) b$.

Now we give an example of dimonoid.
Let $X$ and $Y$ be arbitrary disjoint sets, $0 \in X$, and let

$$
\varphi: Y \times Y \rightarrow X, \psi: Y \times Y \rightarrow X
$$

be arbitrary different maps. Define the operations $\prec, \succ$ on $X \bigcup Y$ by

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x \prec y=\left\{\begin{array}{c}
(x, y) \varphi, x, y \in Y, \\
0 \text { otherwise },
\end{array}\right. \\
& x \succ y=\left\{\begin{array}{c}
(x, y) \psi, x, y \in Y, \\
0 \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x, y \in X \bigcup Y$. It is immediate to check that $(X \bigcup Y, \prec, \succ)$ is a dimonoid.

## 3. Main results

In this section we describe the least idempotent congruence on the dimonoid with a commutative operation $\prec$ and show that every commutative dimonoid ( $D, \prec, \succ$ ) is a semilattice $Y$ of archimedean subdimonoids $D_{i}, \quad i \in Y$.

We will call a commutative idempotent semigroup as a semilattice.
If $\rho$ is a congruence on the dimonoid $D$ such that $D / \rho$ is an idempotent dimonoid, then we say that $\rho$ is an idempotent congruence.

Let $(D, \prec, \succ)$ be a dimonoid with a commutative operation $\prec$ (respectively, $\succ$ ), $a, b \in D$. We say that $a \prec$-divide $b$ (respectively, $a \succ$ divide $b$ ) and write $a_{\prec} \mid b$ (respectively, $a_{\succ} \mid b$ ), if there exists such element $x \in(D, \prec)$ (respectively, $x \in(D, \succ)$ ) with an identity that $a \prec x=b$ (respectively, $a \succ x=b$ ).

Define a relation $\eta$ on the dimonoid $(D, \prec, \succ)$ with a commutative operation $\prec$ by
$a \eta b$ if and only if there exist positive integers

$$
m, n, m \neq 1, n \neq 1 \text { such that } a_{\prec}\left|b^{m}, b_{\prec}\right| a^{n} .
$$

Theorem 1. The relation $\eta$ on the dimonoid $(D, \prec, \succ)$ with a commutative operation $\prec$ is the least idempotent congruence, and $(D, \prec, \succ) / \eta$ is a commutative idempotent dimonoid which is a semilattice.

Proof. The fact that the relation $\eta$ is a congruence on the semigroup $(D, \prec)$ has been proved by Tamura and Kimura [2]. Show that $\eta$ is compatible concerning the operation $\succ$.

Let $a \eta b, a, b, c \in D$. Then $a \prec c \eta b \prec c$. It means that there exist $x, y \in(D, \prec), m, n \in N \backslash\{1\}$, for which

$$
\begin{align*}
& (a \prec c) \prec x=(b \prec c)^{m}  \tag{1}\\
& (b \prec c) \prec y=(a \prec c)^{n} . \tag{2}
\end{align*}
$$

Considering both parts of the equality (1), we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (a \prec c) \prec x=(x \prec a) \prec c= \\
& =x \prec(a \succ c)=(a \succ c) \prec x
\end{aligned}
$$

according to the commutativity of $\prec$ and an axiom of dimonoid, and $(b \prec c)^{m}=(b \succ c)^{m}$ by Lemma 1. Hence, $(a \succ c) \prec x=(b \succ c)^{m}$. Thus, $a \succ c_{\prec} \mid(b \succ c)^{m}$. Analogously, from the equality (2) we obtain that $b \succ c_{\prec} \mid(a \succ c)^{n}$. Together with preceding it means that $a \succ c \eta b \succ c$.

Dually, a left compatibility of the relation $\eta$ concerning the operation $\succ$ can be proved. So, $\eta$ is a congruence on $(D, \prec, \succ)$.

Obviously, $a \eta a \prec a$. Then $a \prec x_{1}=(a \prec a)^{m_{1}},(a \prec a) \prec x_{2}=a^{m_{2}}$ for some $x_{1}, x_{2} \in(D, \prec)$ and $m_{1}, m_{2} \in N \backslash\{1\}$. From two last equalities it follows that

$$
\begin{gathered}
a \prec x_{1}=(a \prec a)^{m_{1}}=(a \succ a)^{m_{1}}, \\
(a \prec a) \prec x_{2}=\left(x_{2} \prec a\right) \prec a= \\
=x_{2} \prec(a \succ a)=(a \succ a) \prec x_{2}=a^{m_{2}},
\end{gathered}
$$

whence $a \eta a \succ a$ and so $\eta$ is an idempotent. From the commutativity of the operation $\prec$ it follows that $a \prec b \eta b \prec a$. Hence, $(a \prec b) \prec t_{1}=(b \prec$ $a)^{n_{1}},(b \prec a) \prec t_{2}=(a \prec b)^{n_{2}}$ for some $t_{1}, t_{2} \in(D, \prec), n_{1}, n_{2} \in N \backslash\{1\}$ and

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (a \prec b) \prec t_{1}=\left(t_{1} \prec a\right) \prec b=t_{1} \prec(a \succ b)= \\
& =(a \succ b) \prec t_{1}=(b \prec a)^{n_{1}}=(b \succ a)^{n_{1}},
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
(b \prec a) \prec t_{2}=\left(t_{2} \prec b\right) \prec a=t_{2} \prec(b \succ a)= \\
=(b \succ a) \prec t_{2}=(a \prec b)^{n_{2}}=(a \succ b)^{n_{2}}
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the commutativity of the operation $\prec$, an axiom of dimonoid and Lemma 1. That is, $a \succ b \eta b \succ a$. So, $(D, \prec, \succ) / \eta$ is a commutative idempotent dimonoid. From Lemma 3 it follows that $(D, \prec, \succ) / \eta$ is a semilattice.

The proof will be completed, if we show that $\eta$ is contained in every idempotent congruence $\rho$ on $(D, \prec, \succ)$.

Let $a \eta b, a, b \in D$. Then $a \prec z=b^{k}, b \prec d=a^{l}$ for some $z, d \in(D, \prec)$ and $k, l \in N \backslash\{1\}$. Since $a \rho a \prec a, b \rho b \prec b$ by the idempotentity of $\rho$, then we have $a \rho b \prec d, \quad b \rho a \prec z$. So,

$$
a \rho b \prec d \rho b \prec b \prec d \rho b \prec a^{l} \rho b \prec a \rho b^{k} \prec a \rho a \prec z \prec a \rho a \prec z \rho b .
$$

Thus, $a \rho b$ and $\eta \subseteq \rho$.
We say that a commutative dimonoid is archimedean, if its both semigroups are archimedean.

Theorem 2. A semigroup $(D, \prec)$ of a commutative dimonoid $D=(D, \prec$ , $\succ$ ) is archimedean (respectively, regular) if and only if a semigroup $(D, \succ)$ of the commutative dimonoid $D$ is archimedean (respectively, regular). Every commutative dimonoid $D$ is a semilattice $Y$ of archimedean subdimonoids $D_{i}, \quad i \in Y$.

Proof. Let $(D, \prec)$ be an archimedean semigroup, $a, b \in D$. Then $a \prec$ $x=b^{m}, b \prec y=a^{n}$ for some $x, y \in D, m, n \in N$. Multiply both parts of the equality $a \prec x=b^{m}$ by $b^{m}$ and the equality $b \prec y=a^{n}$ by $a^{n}$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
(a \prec x) \succ b^{m}=a \succ\left(x \prec b^{m}\right)= \\
=a \succ\left(b^{m} \prec x\right)=b^{m} \succ b^{m}=(2 m) b, \\
(b \prec y) \succ a^{n}=b \succ\left(y \prec a^{n}\right)= \\
=b \succ\left(a^{n} \prec y\right)=a^{n} \succ a^{n}=(2 n) a
\end{gathered}
$$

according to Lemmas 2 and 4 and the commutativity of $\prec$. So, $a_{\succ} \mid(2 m) b$, $b_{\succ} \mid(2 n) a$. That is, $(D, \succ)$ is an archimedean semigroup.

Conversely, let $a \succ x=m b, b \succ y=n a$ for some $x, y \in D, m, n \in N$. Take $k, p \in N \backslash\{1\}$ such that $k+m, p+n$ is even and multiply both parts of the equality $a \succ x=m b$ by $k b$ and the equality $b \succ y=n a$ by $p a$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
k b \succ(a \succ x)=(k b \prec a) \succ x=x \succ(k b \prec a)= \\
=(x \succ k b) \prec a=a \prec(x \succ k b)
\end{gathered}
$$

according to the axioms and the commutativity of dimonoid,

$$
\begin{gathered}
k b \succ m b=(k+m) b=2 b^{\frac{k+m}{2}}= \\
=b^{\frac{k+m}{2}} \succ b^{\frac{k+m}{2}}=(b \prec b)^{\frac{k+m}{2}}= \\
=\left(b^{2}\right)^{\frac{k+m}{2}}=b^{k+m}
\end{gathered}
$$

by Lemmas 1 and 4. Thus, $a_{\prec} \mid b^{k+m}$. Analogously, $b \prec(y \succ p b)=a^{p+n}$, that is, $b_{\prec} \mid a^{p+n}$.

The corresponding statement about regularity of the semigroup of a dimonoid follows immediately from Lemma 2.

Now we shall prove the second part of the theorem. By Theorem 1 $\eta$ is the least idempotent congruence on $D, D / \eta$ is a semilattice and $D \rightarrow D / \eta: x \mapsto[x]$ is a homomorphism ( $[x]$ is a class of the congruence $\eta$, which contains $x$ ). By Tamura and Kimura [2] it follows that every class $A$ of the congruence $\eta$ is a archimedean subsemigroup of the semigroup $(D, \prec)$. According to the preceding computation $A$ is an archimedean subsemigroup of the semigroup $(D, \succ)$.

If the operations of a commutative dimonoid coincide, then from Theorem 2 we obtain the theorem by Tamura and Kimura [2] about the decomposition of a commutative semigroup into a semilattice of archimedean subsemigroups.

## 4. Some examples

In this section we construct the examples of different dimonoids. First we consider the examples of dimonoids with one and two commutative operations.
a) Let $(X, \prec)$ be a zero semigroup, $(X, \succ)$ be a right zero semigroup. Then $(X, \prec, \succ)$ is dimonoid with commutative operation $\prec$. It is easy to see that the least idempotent congruence $\eta=X \times X$ on $(X, \prec, \succ)$.
b) Let ( $S, \prec$ ) be a zero semigroup ( 0 is a zero), $(S, \succ)$ be a commutative semigroup with a zero 0 such that $S \succ S \succ S=0$. Then $(S, \prec, \succ)$ is commutative dimonoid. It is easy to see that the least idempotent congruence $\eta=S \times S$ on $(S, \prec, \succ)$.

We give an example of such dimonoid.

Let $(X, \prec)$ be a zero semigroup, that is, $x \prec y=0$ for all $x, y \in X$. Fix elements $a, b$ of the set $X, a \neq b$ and define on $X$ the operation $\succ$, assuming

$$
x \succ y=\left\{\begin{array}{c}
a, x=y=b, \\
0 \quad \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right.
$$

for all $x, y \in X$. It is easy to see that $(X, \prec, \succ)$ is a commutative dimonoid.
c) Let $X$ be an arbitrary set such that $0, a, b, c, d \in X$ and $a \neq$ $b, b \neq c, c \neq d, d \neq a$. Define on the set $X$ the operations $\prec$ and $\succ$, assuming

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x \prec y=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
b, x=y=a, \\
0 \quad \text { otherwise },
\end{array}\right. \\
& x \succ y=\left\{\begin{array}{cc}
d, x=y=c, \\
0 & \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

for all $x, y \in X$. It is immediate to check that $(X, \prec, \succ)$ is commutative dimonoid. In this case the least idempotent congruence $\eta=X \times X$.

Now we construct the examples of dimonoids which are not necessarily commutative.
d) Let $S$ be a semigroup and let $f$ be its idempotent endomorphism. On $S$ define the multiplications by

$$
x \prec y=x(y f), x \succ y=(x f) y
$$

for all $x, y \in S$.
Proposition 1. ( $S, \prec, \succ$ ) is dimonoid.
Proof. For any $x, y, z \in S$ we obtain

$$
\begin{gathered}
(x \prec y) \prec z=x(y f) \prec z=x(y f)(z f)=x((y z) f), \\
x \prec(y \prec z)=x \prec y(z f)=x(y(z f)) f= \\
=x(y f)\left(z f^{2}\right)=x(y f)(z f)=x((y z) f), \\
x \prec(y \succ z)=x \prec((y f) z)=x((y f) z) f= \\
=x\left(y f^{2}\right)(z f)=x(y f)(z f)=x((y z) f), \\
(x \succ y) \succ z=(x f) y \succ z=\left(x f^{2}\right)(y f) z= \\
=(x f)(y f) z=(x y) f z, \\
x \succ(y \succ z)=x \succ((y f) z)=(x f)(y f) z=(x y) f z,
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
(x \prec y) \succ z=x(y f) \succ z=(x(y f)) f z= \\
=(x f)\left(y f^{2}\right) z=(x f)(y f) z=(x y) f z, \\
(x \succ y) \prec z=(x f) y \prec z=(x f) y(z f), \\
x \succ(y \prec z)=x \succ(y(z f))=(x f) y(z f) .
\end{gathered}
$$

Comparing these expressions, we conclude that $(S, \prec, \succ)$ is dimonoid.
e) Let $S$ and $T$ be semigroups, $\theta: T \rightarrow S$ is a homomorphism. On $S \times T$ define the multiplications by

$$
(s, t) \prec(p, g)=(s, t g),(s, t) \succ(p, g)=((t \theta) p, t g)
$$

for all $(s, t),(p, g) \in S \times T$.
Proposition 2. $(S \times T, \prec, \succ)$ is dimonoid.
Proof. Obviously, the operation $\prec$ is associative. For any $(s, t),(p, g),(a, b) \in$ $S \times T$ we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
((s, t) \succ(p, g)) \succ(a, b)=((t \theta) p, t g) \succ(a, b)=((t g) \theta a, t g b), \\
(s, t) \succ((p, g) \succ(a, b))=(s, t) \succ((g \theta) a, g b)= \\
=((t \theta)(g \theta) a, t g b)=((t g) \theta a, t g b), \\
((s, t) \prec(p, g)) \succ(a, b)=(s, t g) \succ(a, b)=((t g) \theta a, t g b), \\
(s, t) \prec((p, g) \succ(a, b))=(s, t) \prec((g \theta) a, g b)= \\
=(s, t g b)=((s, t) \prec(p, g)) \prec(a, b), \\
((s, t) \succ(p, g)) \prec(a, b)=((t \theta) p, t g) \prec(a, b)=((t \theta) p, t g b), \\
(s, t) \succ((p, g) \prec(a, b))=(s, t) \succ(p, g b)=((t \theta) p, t g b) .
\end{gathered}
$$

Comparing these expressions, we conclude that $(S \times T, \prec, \succ)$ is dimonoid.
f) Let $X^{*}$ be a set of words in the alphabet $X$. If $w \in X^{*}$, then the first (respectively, the last) letter of a word $w$ we denote by $w^{(0)}$ (respectively, $w^{(1)}$ ).

Assume the operations $\prec, \succ$ on the set $X^{*}$ by

$$
w \prec u=w^{(0)} w^{(1)}, \quad w \succ u=u^{(0)} u^{(1)}
$$

for all $w, u \in X^{*}$.

Proposition 3. $\left(X^{*}, \prec, \succ\right)$ is dimonoid.
Proof. Obviously, the operations $\prec$ and $\succ$ are associative. For any $w, u, \omega \in$ $X^{*}$ we obtain

$$
\begin{gathered}
(w \prec u) \prec \omega=w^{(0)} w^{(1)} \prec \omega=w^{(0)} w^{(1)}=w \prec(u \succ \omega), \\
w \succ(u \succ \omega)=w \succ \omega^{(0)} \omega^{(1)}=\omega^{(0)} \omega^{(1)}=(w \prec u) \succ \omega, \\
(w \succ u) \prec \omega=u^{(0)} u^{(1)} \prec \omega=u^{(0)} u^{(1)}= \\
=w \succ u^{(0)} u^{(1)}=w \succ(u \prec \omega) .
\end{gathered}
$$

Let ( $X \times X, \prec^{\prime}, \succ^{\prime}$ ) be an idempotent dimonoid with operations

$$
(x, y) \prec^{\prime}(a, b)=(x, y),(x, y) \succ^{\prime}(a, b)=(a, b)
$$

for all $(x, y),(a, b) \in X \times X$. Denote this dimonoid by $\tilde{X}$ and for all $i, j \in X$ assume

$$
A_{(i, j)}=\left\{w \in X^{*} \mid\left(w^{(0)}, w^{(1)}\right)=(i, j)\right\}
$$

The next assertion describes the structure of the dimonoid ( $X^{*}, \prec, \succ$ ).
Proposition 4. The dimonoid $\left(X^{*}, \prec, \succ\right)$ is a diband $\tilde{X}$ of zero semigroups $A_{(i, j)},(i, j) \in \tilde{X}$.

Proof. Define a map $\alpha$ by

$$
\alpha:\left(X^{*}, \prec, \succ\right) \rightarrow \tilde{X}: w \mapsto\left(w^{(0)}, w^{(1)}\right)
$$

The map $\alpha$ is a homomorphism. Indeed, if $w, u \in X^{*}$, then

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (w \prec u) \alpha=\left(w^{(0)} w^{(1)}\right) \alpha=\left(w^{(0)}, w^{(1)}\right)= \\
& =\left(w^{(0)}, w^{(1)}\right) \prec^{\prime}\left(u^{(0)}, u^{(1)}\right)=w \alpha \prec^{\prime} u \alpha \\
& (w \succ u) \alpha=\left(u^{(0)} u^{(1)}\right) \alpha=\left(u^{(0)}, u^{(1)}\right)= \\
& =\left(w^{(0)}, w^{(1)}\right) \succ^{\prime}\left(u^{(0)}, u^{(1)}\right)=w \alpha \succ^{\prime} u \alpha .
\end{aligned}
$$

It is clear that $A_{(i, j)},(i, j) \in \tilde{X}$ is an arbitrary class of the congruence $\Delta_{\alpha}$. Moreover, if $w, u \in A_{(i, j)}$, then $w \prec u=w \succ u=i j$, hence $A_{(i, j)}$ is zero semigroup with the zero $i j$.

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