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# A Note on UNAR LA-Semigroup

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**Abstract.** The concept of left (resp. right) unar groupoid is extended to introduce left (resp. right) unar LA-semigroup as new subclasses of LA-semigroup. These subclasses are enumerated up to order 6 and some basic relations of these classes with other known subclasses of LA-semigroup and with other relevant algebraic structures are investigated. Furthermore, a variety of examples and counterexamples are provided using the latest computational techniques of GAP, Mace-4 and Prover-9.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Right (resp. left) unar groupoids are defined and investigated in [12, 13]. We extend the concept of unar groupoids as new subclasses of LA-semigroups which we call left (resp. right) unar and unar LA-semigroups. A magma S that satisfies the law:  $uv \cdot w = wv \cdot u$  is called an LA-semigroup. In addition, if S also satisfies the idenity xz = yz, we say S is a right unar LA-semigroup. It is interesting to note that though the identity for right unar is quite simple however, the enumeration table of right unar LA-semigroup shows that non-associative right LA-semigroups of any order do not exist, hence we prove that right LA-semigroup is a commutative semigroup. In Section 2 we define left unar LA-semigroups and enumerate them in Section 4 up to order 6 using GAP. We also find some of the relations of left unar LA-semigroups with the already known subclasses of LA-semigroups and that with semigroups. Section 3 is devoted to unar LA-semigroups, we also prove that non-associative unar LA-semigroups of any order do not exist and prove that every unar LA-semigroup is a commutative semigroup. Left almost semigroups (LA-semigroups) is a well worked area of non-associative algebra, that was introduced by Kazim and Naseeruddin [11]. The structure is also known as AG-groupoid and modular groupoid and has a variety of applications in topology, matrices, flock theory, finite mathematics and geometry [3, 11, 18, 2, 10]. A considerable work in the area is done for developing its theory of ideals and fuzzification by various researchers in a variety of papers [4, 14, 15, 16, 19]. It is known that an LA-semigroup S always satisfies the medial law:  $ab \cdot cd = ac \cdot bd$ , and satisfies the paramedial law:  $ab \cdot cd = db \cdot ca$  if it contains a left identity element. It is also easy to prove that if S contains a right identity element then it is a commutative semigroup. In the following, we list some fundamental definitions required for the investigation of our new subclasses.

An LA-semigroup S, is called

- (i) transitively commutative if, ab = ba and bc = cb implies  $ac = ca, \forall a, b, c \in$ S.[18]
- (ii) left repeated if, ab = cd implies  $aa = cc, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.$ [17]
- (iii)  $T_f^4$  if, ab = cd implies  $ad = cb, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.[1]$
- $\begin{array}{ll} \text{(iv)} \quad T_b^4 \text{ if, } ab = cd & \text{implies} & da = bc, \forall a, b, c, d \in S. [1] \\ \text{(v)} \quad T_r^3 \text{ if, } ba = ca & \text{implies} & ab = ac, \forall a, b, c \in S. [18] \\ \text{(vi)} \quad T_l^3 \text{ if, } ab = ac & \text{implies} & ba = ca, \forall a, b, c \in S. [18] \\ \end{array}$

- (vii) left nuclear square if,  $a^2 \cdot bc = a^2 b \cdot c, \forall a, b, c \in S.$ [18]
- (viii) outer repeated if,  $ab \cdot cd = aa \cdot dd, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.$ [17]
- (ix) inner repeated if,  $ab \cdot cd = bb \cdot cc, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.$ [17]
- (x) repeated if, S is both outer and inner repeated.[17]
- (xi) left regular if, ac = bc implies  $ad = bd, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.$ [17]
- (xii) right regular if, ca = cb implies  $da = db, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.$ [17]
- (xiii) regular if, S is both left and right regular.[17]
- (xiv) right permutable if,  $ab \cdot c = ac \cdot b, \forall a, b, c \in S.[17]$
- (xv) paramedial if,  $ab \cdot cd = db \cdot ca, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.$ [17]
- (xvi) weak commutative if,  $ab \cdot cd = dc \cdot ba, \forall a, b, c, d \in S.$ [17]
- (xvii)  $AG^*$  groupoid if,  $ab \cdot c = b \cdot ac, \forall a, b, c \in S.$ [15]
- (xviii) flexible if,  $ab \cdot a = a \cdot ba, \forall a, b \in S.[18]$
- (xix) right alternative if,  $ab \cdot b = a \cdot bb, \forall a, b \in S$ . [18]
- (xx) LA-band if,  $a \cdot a = a, \forall a \in S$ . [17]
- (xxi) LC-LA-semigroup if,  $uv \cdot w = vu \cdot w, \forall u, v, w \in S$ . [17]
- (xxii)  $T^1$ -LA-semigroup if  $ab = cd \Rightarrow ba = dc, \forall a, b, c, d \in S$ . [18]

**Definition 1.** A magma S is called an LA-semigroup, if

$$xy \cdot z = zy \cdot x, \forall x, y, z \in S.$$

$$(1.1)$$

## 2. UNAR LA-SEMIGROUPS

We define our new subclasses of LA-semigroup as under:

## 2.1. Right unar LA-semigroup.

**Definition 2.** A Right unar LA-semigroup is an LA-semigroup S such that  $\forall x, y, z \in$ S,

$$xz = yz. (2.1)$$

**Example 1.** Associative right unar LA-semigroup.

*	1	2	3	4
1	1	1	1	1
2	1	1	1	1
3	1	1	1	1
4	1	1	1	1

Example 1 depicts that right unar LA-semigroups are single valued, and hence are commutative semigroups. This is verified in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** Every right unar LA-semigroup is a commutative semigroup.

*Proof.* Let S be a right unar LA-semigroup, and x, y, z be any elements of S. Then by (2.1)

$$xy = zy = u(\text{say for instance}, u \in S)$$
 (2.2)

Then by (1.1) and (2.2),

$$\begin{aligned} xy \cdot z &= zy \cdot x \\ \Rightarrow uz &= ux \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Thus

$$\begin{array}{rcl} xy &=& zy=zx, & \mbox{ by }(2.3) \\ \Rightarrow xy=zx &=& yx, & \mbox{ by }(2.2,2.3) \\ \Rightarrow xy &=& yx. \end{array}$$

Hence S is commutative. Since commutativity implies associativity in LA-semigroups, thus S is a commutative semigroup.  $\Box$ 

Since we are interested only in non-associative structure, thus we avoid this class of LA-semigroups and consider the next candidate, left unar LA-semigroups for further exploration.

## 2.2. Left unar LA-semigroups.

**Definition 3.** A left unar LA-semigroup is an LA-semigroup S that satisfies the identity

$$xy = xz \quad \forall x, y, z \in S. \tag{2.4}$$

Example 2. A left unar LA-semigroups of order 4.

*	u	v	w	x
u	u	u	u	u
v	u	u	u	u
w	v	v	v	v
x	v	v	v	v

**Remark.** It is worth mentioning that finite left unar LA-semigroups are very rare, as can be seen in Section 4. It is investigated in Section 4 that this type of LA-semigroups are only 1, 2, 4, and 6 out of 8, 269, 31467, and 40097003 respectively of order 3 to 6. Next, we discuss the relation of left unar LA-semigroup with some known subclasses of LA-semigroups. Throughout this article left unar LA-semigroup will be abbreviated by LU-LA-semigroup. Example 1 can be generalized to arbitrary sets S (of finite or infinite order). Choose an element  $s_0 \in S$  and denote

 $x \cdot y = s_0$  for all  $x, y \in S$ . Then these groupoids are single valued or 'trivial'. In Theorem 1, one can actually show that a right unar LA- semigroup is trivial (from which it follows that it is a commutative semigroup). This is another aspect of the present Theorem 1. It further also shows that right unar LA-semigroup is not an interesting notion because there is only one such LA-semigroup, up to isomorphism, in each order. In a similar way Example 2 should be generalized to arbitrary sets S (of finite or infinite order) involving a function  $f: S \to S$  with the property that  $f^2$  is constant. The LU-LA-semigroups are then precisely those groupoids that are represented by such a function f. With this notion many (but not all) of the proofs of Theorems 2, 3 and 4 become easy. However, we present our proof in the usual way as presented, the alternative way of proof, declare the status of the results more authentic. Furthermore, Theorems 3 and Theorem 4 shall alternatively be more strengthened to the following.

An LU-LA-semigroup is trivial if it is either  $T_b^3$ ,  $orT_l^3$ , or flexible or a right alternative LA-semigroup. Furthermore, an LU-LA-semigroup that has a left identity element or is an LA-band, has order 1 or it is trivial. We start with the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.** For an LU-LA-semigroup S, any of the following is true.

- (a) S is transitively commutative LA-semigroup.
- (b) S is left repeated LA-semigroup.
- (c) S is  $T_f^4$ -LA-semigroup.
- (d) S is  $T_r^3$ -LA-semigroup.
- (e) S is left nuclear square LA-semigroup.
- (f) S is repeated LA-semigroup.
- (g) S is regular LA-semigroup.
- (h) S is right permutable LA-semigroup.
- (i) S is paramedial LA-semigroup.
- (j) S is weak-commutative LA-semigroup.
- (k) S is LC-LA-semigroup.

*Proof.* Since S is LU-LA-semigroup, and  $u, v, w, x \in S$ , then by Equations (1.1) and (2.4), and the respective assumptions we have:

(a) Assume that for all u, v, w in S such that uv = vu, vw = wv, then we have,

uw = uv = vu = vw = wv = wu.

Thus uw = wu. Hence S is transitively commutative.

(b) Assume that uv = wx. We have,

uu = uv = wx = ww.

Thus uu = ww. Hence S is left repeated.

(c) Assume that uv = wx. Then,

$$ux = uv = wx = wv$$

Thus ux = wv. Hence S is  $T_f^4$ .

(d) Assume vu = wu. Then,

uv = uw.

Hence S is  $T_r^3$ .

(e) Now, for left nuclear square, we have

$$u^{2}(vw) = u^{2}(vu) = (vu \cdot u)u = (uu \cdot v)u = (u^{2}v)w.$$

- Thus  $u^2(vw) = (u^2v)w$ . So, S is left nuclear square.
- (f) For repeated LA-semigroup, let  $u, v, w, x \in S$ . Then via in turn, we show that S is outer and inner repeated,

 $uv \cdot wx = (wx \cdot v)u = (wx.x)u = ux \cdot wx = uw \cdot xx = uu \cdot xx.$ 

Thus  $uv \cdot wx = uu \cdot xx$ . Hence S is outer repeated. Now, for inner repeated, we have

$$uv \cdot wx = uw \cdot vx = (vx \cdot w)u = (vx \cdot w)v = (wx \cdot v)v = vv \cdot wx = vv \cdot ww.$$

Thus,  $uv \cdot wx = vv \cdot ww$ . So S is inner repeated. Hence, S is repeated.

(g) To show that S is regular, we show that S is left and right regular via in turn. Now, for left regular let  $u, v, w, x \in S$ . Let uw = vw, so we have,

$$ux = uw = vw = vx.$$

Thus ux = vx. Hence S is left regular. For right regular, assume wu = wv, then as S is left unar so,

$$xu = xv.$$

Thus, S is right regular. Hence S is regular.

(h) For right permutable,

 $uv\cdot w = wv\cdot u = ww\cdot u = uw\cdot w = uw\cdot v.$ 

Thus  $uv \cdot w = uw \cdot v$ . Hence S is right permutable.

(i) For paramedial LA-semigroup, we have

$$uv \cdot wx = (wx \cdot v)u = (wx \cdot v)x = xv \cdot wx = xv \cdot wu.$$

Thus  $uv \cdot wx = xv \cdot wu$ . Hence, S is paramedial.

(j) For weak-commutative, we have

$$uv \cdot wx = (wx \cdot v)u = (wx \cdot v)x = (wu \cdot v)x = (vu \cdot w)x = xw \cdot vu.$$

Thus  $uv \cdot wx = xw \cdot vu$ . Hence, S is weak-commutative.

(k) To Show that S is LC-LA, we have

 $uv \cdot w = uu \cdot w = uu \cdot v = vu \cdot u = vu \cdot w.$ 

Thus  $uv \cdot w = vu \cdot w$ . Thus S is LC-LA-semigroup.

Hence the result proved.

Next, we prove that a non-associative structure LU-LA-semigroup becomes commutative and thus lead to an associative structure if it holds the any of the additional properties  $T^1$  or  $T_h^4$  or  $T_l^3$  or it simply contains a left identity element.

**Theorem 3.** An LU-LA-semigroup S is commutative semigroup if it satisfies any of the properties:

(i) S is  $T^1$ . (ii) S is  $T_b^4$ . (iii) S is  $T_l^3$ . (iv) S has a left identity element.

*Proof.* Let S be an LU-LA-semigroup, and let  $a, b, c \in S$ . Then

(i) Let S also be  $T^1$  then by Equation (2.4),  $T^1$ , we have

$$ab = ac \Rightarrow ba = ca = cb \Rightarrow ab = bc = ba.$$

Thus ab = ba.

(ii) Assume, S also be  $T_b^4$ , then

$$ab = ac \Rightarrow ca = ba \Rightarrow ca = bb \Rightarrow bc = ab \Rightarrow ba = ab.$$

Hence ab = ba.

(iii) Let S also be  $T_l^3$  then, we have

$$ab = aa \Rightarrow ba = aa \Rightarrow ba = ab.$$

Thus ab = ba.

(iv) Assume S has a left identity element e, then, by Equation (2.4) and repeated use of Equation (1.1), we have

$$ab = (e \cdot a)b = ba \cdot e = bb \cdot e = eb \cdot b = eb \cdot a = ba.$$

Thus ab = ba.

Therefore, for all the above conditions S is commutative. Since in LA-semigroup commutativity implies associativity therefore in each case, S is a commutative semigroup.

Example (3) shows that LU-LA-semigroup is not  $T_b^4$ -LA-semigroup and is not  $T_l^3$ -LA-semigroup.

**Example 3.** LU-LA-semigroup that is neither a  $T_l^3$ -LA-semigroup nor a  $T_b^4$ -LA-semigroup.

**Theorem 4.** An LU-LA-semigroup S is a semigroup if it also holds any of the following:

- (i) S is  $AG^*$ -groupoid.
- (ii) S is flexible.
- (iii) S is right alternative.
- (iv) S is LA- band.

*Proof.* Let S be a LU-LA-semigroup, and let  $x, y, z \in S$ .

(i) Assume that S is also an  $AG^*$ -groupoid. Then by Equations (1.1), (2.4) and by the definition of  $AG^*$ -groupoid, we have

 $xy \cdot z = zy \cdot x = zx \cdot x = zx \cdot y = yx \cdot z = x \cdot yz.$ 

Thus  $xy \cdot z = x \cdot yz$ .

(ii) Assume that S is also flexible. Then by Equation (2.4) and by definition of flexible LA-semigroup we have

$$xy \cdot z = xy \cdot x = x \cdot yx = x \cdot yz.$$

Thus  $xy \cdot z = x \cdot yz$ .

(iii) Assume that S is right alternative, then by Equation (2.4) and by the assumption, we have

$$x \cdot yz = x \cdot yy = xy \cdot y = xy \cdot z.$$

Thus  $x \cdot yz = xy \cdot z$ .

(iv) Assume that S is also an LA- band. Then by Equations (1.1, 2.4) and by the assumption, we have

$$\begin{aligned} xy \cdot z &= xx \cdot z = xz \cdot zz = xz \cdot xz &= xz \cdot xy = xx \cdot zy = x(zz \cdot y) \\ &= x(yz \cdot z) = x(yy \cdot z) &= x \cdot yz. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $xy \cdot z = x \cdot yz$ .

Hence in each case an LU-LA-semigroup S becomes a semigroup.

## 2.3. Unar LA-semigroup.

**Definition 4.** An LA-semigroup S is called unar LA-semigroup if it is both LU-LA-semigroup and right unar LA-semigrop.

We prove that non-associative unar LA-semigroups does not exist.

**Theorem 5.** Every unar LA-semigroup is commutative semigroup.

*Proof.* Let S be a unar LA-semigroup, and let  $u, v, w \in S$ . So by Equations (2.1) and (2.4)

$$uv = uw = vw = vu \quad \Rightarrow \quad uv = vu.$$

Thus S is commutative, but in any LA-semigroup commutativity implies associativity, therefore S is a commutative semigroup.

#### 3. Enumeration of left unar LA-semigroups

Enumeration of semigroups and monoids have been done up to order 9 and 10 respectively by constraint satisfaction techniques implemented in the Minion constraint solver with bespoke symmetry breaking provided by the computer algebra system GAP [9]. M. Shah [18] in his PhD thesis, in collaboration with A. Distler (the author of [5, 6, 7]) enumerated LA-semigroups up to isomorphism that has been published in [8] using a similar techniques developed for semigroups and monoids by A. Distler.

It is to mention also that the data presented in [8] has been verified by one of the reviewers of the such article with the help of Mace-4 and Isofilter as has been mentioned in the acknowledgment of the mentioned article. Using the same technique and relevant data of [8] we enumerate our newly introduced subclass of LU-LA-semigroup up to order 6 using the following coding in GAP:

## Algorithm 1. GAP Function for Counting left unar LA-semigroups InstallMethod(IsLU-LA-semigroupTable, "for matrix",

[IsMatrix] function(ls), local i, j; if not IsAGGroupoidTable(ls) then return false; fi; for i in [1..Length(ls)] do for j in [1..Length(ls)] do

for k in [1..Length(ls)] do if ls[i][j] <> ls[i][k] then return false; fi; od; od; od; return true; end );

Table 1 below, presents the enumeration of LU-LA-semigroups of order 3 to 6. Note that no non-associative LA-semigroups of order 2 and 1 exist.

Order		4	5	6
Total LA-semigroups		331	31913	40179867
Non Associative LA-semigroups		269	31467	40097003
Associative LA-semigroups		62	446	82864
Total LU-LA-semigroups		3	5	7
Non Associative LU-LA-semigroups		2	4	6
Associative LU-LA-semigroups		1	1	1

Table 1. Enumeration of left unar LA-semigroups up to order 6.

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