

SUPER QUASI-ADEQUATE SEMIGROUPS

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Let S be a semigroup and let L denote Green's relation on S . For $a, b \in S$, let $(a, b) \in L^*$ if and only if $(a, b) \in L$ in some cversemigroup of S . R^* is defined dually and let $H^* = L^* \cap R^*$. From ([11] or [12]), $(a, b) \in L^*$ if and only if, for all $x, y \in S^1$ (S with an appended identity), $ax = ay$ if and only if $bx = by$. So L^* is a right congruence relation and R^* is a left congruence relation. Fountain [9] terms a semigroup S *abundant* if each L^* -class of S and each R^* -class of S contains an idempotent, and Fountain [9] terms S *superabundant* if each H^* -class of S contains an idempotent. If S is a regular semigroup, $L^* = L$ and $R^* = R$. Hence, regular semigroups are abundant semigroups and unions of groups are superabundant semigroups.

In [9], Fountain gave superabundant analogues to the Rees Theorem and Clifford's well known theorem that a semigroup is a union of groups if and only if it is a semilattice of completely simple semigroups. In [7], El-Qallali terms an abundant semigroup S to be L^* -unipotent if $E(S)$, the set of idempotents of S , form a subsemigroup and each L^* -class of S contains precisely one idempotent. In [7], El-Qallali gives a structure theorem for super L^* -unipotent semigroups on which H^* is a congruence (L^* -unipotent bands of cancellative monoids [7]). A semigroup S is termed L -unipotent if each L -class of S contains precisely one idempotent (equivalently, S is orthodox and each J -class of $E(S)$ is a right zero semigroup [20]). El-Qallali's theorem is a superabundant analogue to Bailes' structure theorem for L -unipotent union of groups on which H is a congruence (L -unipotent bands of groups) [1].

Let S be an abundant semigroup. Fountain [8] terms S an *adequate semigroup* if $E(S)$ is a semilattice. El-Qallali and Fountain [6] terms S a *quasi-adequate semigroup* if $E(S)$ is a subsemigroup. If, furthermore, L is a congruence relation on $E(S)$, we term S a *generalized L^* -unipotent semigroup*. El-Qallali and Fountain [5], term a congruence e on S *good* if aL^*b implies aeL^*be and aR^*b implies aeR^*be .

In section 1, we give a structure theorem for super quasi adequate semigroups S (Theorem 1.11). We first specialize the above mentioned results of Fountain to super quasi-adequate semigroups S . In particular, S is a semilattice Y of semigroups $(S_y : y \in Y)$ where $S_y = T_y \times E(S_y)$ (algebraic direct product) where T_y is a cancellative monoid and $E(S_y)$ is a rectangular band (Lemma 1.1). For $(g; i, j), (h; r, s) \in S$, define

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$(g; i, j)\delta(h; r, s)$ if $(g; i, j), (h; r, s) \in S_y$, say, and $g = h$. Then, δ is the minimum adequate good congruence on S (Proposition 1.3) and S/δ is a strong semilattice Y of the T_y (Lemma 1.4). Then, S^1 divides $V \circ (\widehat{S/\delta})^1$ where V is an L -trivial and idempotent monoid, \circ is wreath product, $\widehat{}$ is the Rhodes expansion, $(\widehat{S/\delta})$ is a semilattice Y of left cancellative semigroups $(X_y : y \in Y)$ with idempotents, and $E((\widehat{S/\delta}))$ is a semilattice Y of right zero semigroups $(E(X_y) : y \in Y)$ (Theorem 1.11). If S is an orthodox union of groups, δ becomes the smallest inverse semigroup congruence on S , T_y becomes a maximal subgroup of S , and $X_y = T_y \times E(X_y)$ (algebraic direct product) (see Lemma 1.12). Hence, Theorem 1.11 is a superabundant semigroup analogue to our structure theorem for orthodox unions of groups [26].

In section 2, we give a structure theorem for super generalized L^* -unipotent semigroups S (Theorem 2.4). We first show that $\delta \cap L$ is the smallest L^* -unipotent good congruence on S and $S/\delta \cap L$ is a semilattice Y of the semigroups $((T_y \times J_y) : y \in Y)$ where J_y is an R -class of $E(S_y)$ (Proposition 2.1). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} S &\leq W^1 \circ (E(S)/L)^1 \circ (S/\delta \cap L)^1 \\ &(\leq \text{ means "is embedded in"}) \text{ and } S/\delta \cap L \\ &\leq (S/\delta \cap L/e)^1 \overset{\Omega}{\circ} (E(S)/L)^1 \end{aligned}$$

where W is a lower partial chain Y of left zero subsemigroups of $E(S)$, e is the smallest adequate good congruence on $S/\delta \cap L$, $S/\delta \cap L/e$ is a strong semilattice Y of the T_y , and $\overset{\Omega}{\circ}$ is reverse wreath product (Theorem 2.4). An orthodox semigroup S is termed generalized L -unipotent if L is a congruence relation on $E(S)$. If S is a generalized L -unipotent union of groups, $\delta \cap L$ becomes the smallest L -unipotent congruence on S . Hence, Theorem 2.4 is a superabundant analogue to our structure theorem for generalized L -unipotent unions of groups [24].

In section 3, we show that if S is a super R^* -unipotent semigroup, then $S \leq (E(S))^1 \circ (S/\delta)^1$ where $E(S)$ is a semilattice Y of left zero semigroups (Theorem 3.1). Theorem 3.1 is a superabundant analogue to our structure theorem for R -unipotent unions of groups [24].

Abundant semigroup analogues to many theorems in regular semigroup theory have been given by Fountain ([8], [9]), El-Qallali and Fountain ([5], [6]), and El-Qallali [7].

We have studied the structure of generalized L -unipotent semigroups in ([21], [22], [23], [24]), R -unipotent semigroups have been studied extensively by many authors-most recently by Szendrei ([14], [15]).

A submonoid of a monoid S is a subsemigroup of S containing the identity of S .

A semigroup (monoid) S is said to *divide a semigroup (monoid) T* if there exists a homomorphism of a subsemigroup (submonoid) of T onto S . We also say T covers S in this case and write $S < T$. If there exists an isomorphism of S into T , we write $S \leq T$. R, L, H, D and J will denote Green's relations and $E(S)$ will denote the set of idempotents of a semigroup S .

See [9] for the definition of J^* . If S is a regular semigroup $J^* = J$.

We adopt the following notation and definitions from [24, p. 181-182]: S^1 (S with appended identity), S° , wreath product “ \circ ” of semigroups, reverse wreath product “ $\overset{\circ}{\circ}$ ” of semigroups, type A semigroup congruence (for example, inverse semigroup congruence), ae ($a \in S$, a semigroup) (e , a congruence on S , will also denote the natural homomorphism of S onto S/e), and unions of groups.

For other definitions not given in this paper, see [2] or [10]. We also adopt the notation of [2] unless otherwise specified.

A monoid S is termed L -trivial and idempotent if each L -class of S is a singleton and S is a band.

Section 1 - The Structure of Super Quasi-Adequate Semigroups

In this section, we describe the minimum adequate good congruence δ on a super quasi-adequate semigroup (Proposition 1.3 and Lemma 1.4) and give a structure theorem for super quasi-adequate semigroups (Theorem 1.11).

Let S be a semigroup. For $a \in S$, L_a^* or $L_a^*(S)$ (in case of ambiguity) will denote the L^* -class of S containing a (notation of [9]).

Let S be a semigroup and I and J be sets and let $P : J \times I \rightarrow S$ with $(j,i) P = p_{ji}$. Let $M(S, I, J, P)$ denote $S \times I \times J$ under the multiplication $(a; i, j)(b; r, s) = (ap_{jr} b; i, s)$. We term $M(S, I, J, P)$ a Rees Matrix semigroup over S with entries in P .

The following lemma gives the “gross” structure of super quasi-adequate semigroups.

Lemma 1.1. *A semigroup S is super quasi-adequate if and only if S is a semilattice $Y = S/J^*$ of semigroups $(S_y : y \in Y)$ where $S_y = T_y \times E(S_y)$ where T_y is a cancellative monoid and $E(S_y)$ is a rectangular band, $L_a^*(S) = L_a^*(S_y)$ and $R_a^*(S) = R_a^*(S_y)$ for $y \in Y$ and $a \in S_y$ and $E(S)$ is a semilattice Y of rectangular bands $(E(S_y) : y \in Y)$.*

Proof. Utilizing [9, Theorem 6.8 and its proof and Corollary 5.2], we obtain the above theorem (except the statement about $E(S)$) with $S_y = M(T_y, I_y, J_y, P_y)$, a Rees matrix semigroup over a cancellative monoid T_y where the entries of P_y are units U of T_y . As is easily shown, [2, Lemma 3.6] is valid for the above matrix semigroups if we require the mappings to have range U . Using this Lemma, we may “normalize” P_y such that all the elements in a given row and a given column are the identity e of T_y . Then, using the assumption that $E(S)$ is a subsemigroup, we may show $p_{ji} = e$ for all $j \in J_y$ and $i \in I_y$. Hence, $M(T_y, I_y, J_y, P_y) = T_y \times E(S_y)$ where $E(S_y)$ is a rectangular band.

To show δ is a congruence relation (Proposition 1.3), we will need the following lemma.

Lemma 1.2. *Let $S_y = T_y \times E_y$ and $S_x = T_x \times I_x \times J_x$ where T_y and T_x are cancellative monoids, E_y is a rectangular band, I_x is a left zero semigroup, and J_x is a*

right zero semigroup. Assume these exists

- (a) a left representation $A \rightarrow \lambda_A$ of S_y by transformations of I_x
- (b) a right representation $A \rightarrow e_A$ of S_y by transformations of J_x
- (c) a homomorphism ϕ of T_y into T_x ,

Define a binary operation on $S_y \cup S_x$ extending the given ones on S_y and S_x by defining products of $A = (a, e) \in S_y$ and $(b; i, j) \in S_x$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(a, e)(b; i, j) &= (a\phi b; \lambda_A i, j) \\ (b; i, j)(a, e) &= (b(a\phi); i, je_A).\end{aligned}$$

Then, $S_y \cup S_x$ becomes a semigroup with S_x an ideal.

Conversely every possible binary associative operation on $S_y \cup S_x$ extending the given ones on S_y and S_x , and such that S_x is an ideal, can be constructed in the above manner.

Proof. Lemma 1.2 has been established by Clifford [3, Lemma 2.5] in the case T_y and T_x are groups. Clifford's proof is easily seen to be valid when T_y and T_x are just cancellative monoids.

Proposition 1.3. *Let S be a super quasi-adequate semigroup. Then, δ is the minimum adequate good congruence on S .*

Proof. We first show that δ is a congruence relation on S . Let $\bar{\delta}$ denote the smallest congruence on S containing δ . Suppose $a \bar{\delta} b$. Then, there exists $a = a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n = b \in S$ such that $a_i = x_i u_i y_i$, $a_{i+1} = x_i v_i y_i$ where $x_i, y_i \in S^1$ and $(u_i, v_i) \in \delta$ for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Let $x_i = (w; i, j)_\alpha \in S_\alpha$, $y_i = (h; r, s)_\beta \in S_\beta$, $u_i = (g; m, n)_\gamma$, and $v_i = (g; c, d)_\gamma$. Hence, $a_i = (A; p, q)_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \in S_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ and $a_{i+1} = (B; k, l)_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \in S_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ say. Let $\theta =_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}(A; p, q)_\theta &= (w; i, j)_\alpha (g; m, n)_\gamma (h; r, s)_\beta \\ (B; k, l)_\theta &= (w; i, j)_\alpha (g; c, d)_\gamma (h; r, s)_\beta\end{aligned}$$

Multiply both of the above equations on the left and right by $(e; p, q)_\theta$ where e is the identity of T_θ .

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}(A; p, q)_\theta &= (\bar{W}; \bar{i}, \bar{j})_\theta (g; m, n)_\gamma (\bar{h}; \bar{r}, \bar{s})_\theta \\ (B; p, q)_\theta &= (\bar{W}; \bar{i}, \bar{j})_\theta (g; c, d)_\gamma (\bar{h}; \bar{r}, \bar{s})_\theta\end{aligned}$$

say,

Using Lemma 1.2

$$(A; p, q)_\theta = (\bar{W}(g\omega_{\gamma, \theta}); \bar{i}, \bar{j}e_{(g, m, n)_\gamma})_\theta (\bar{h}; \bar{r}, \bar{s})_\theta = (\bar{W}(g\omega_{\gamma, \theta})\bar{h}; \bar{i}, \bar{s})_\theta.$$

where $\omega_{\gamma, \theta}$ is the homomorphism of T_γ into T_θ given by Lemma 1.2 and $(B; p, q)_\theta = (\bar{W}(g\omega_{\gamma, \theta}); \bar{i}, \bar{j}e_{(g, c, d)_\gamma})_\theta (\bar{h}; \bar{r}, \bar{s})_\theta = (\bar{W}(g\omega_{\gamma, \theta})\bar{h}; \bar{i}, \bar{s})_\theta$. Hence, $A = B$. Thus $a_i \delta a_{i+1}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Hence, $a \delta b$. Thus, $\bar{\delta} = \delta$, and, hence, δ is a congruence on S .

Let $a \in S$ and let $a^+, a^* \in E(S)$ such that $a^+ R^* a$ and $a^* L^* a$. Using [9, Corollary 6.2 and Proposition 6.5] and Lemma 1.1, $a^+, a^*, a \in S_y$, say. Hence, using [6, Corollary 2.4 and Proposition 2.6], δ is the minimum adequate good congruence on S .

Lemma 1.4. *Let S be a super quasi-adequate semigroup. Then, S/δ is a strong semilattice Y of cancellative monoids $(T_y; y \in Y)$.*

Proof. Let $(\overline{g; i, j})$ denote the δ -class of S containing $(g; i, j)$. Since $(\overline{g; i, j})\tau = g$ defines a 1-1 map of S/δ onto $T = U(T_y : y \in Y)$, T becomes a groupoid under the multiplication $ab = (\overline{a\tau^{-1}b\tau^{-1}})\tau$ and τ defines an isomorphism of S/δ onto T . If $g, h \in T_y$, $gh = ((\overline{g; i, j})(\overline{h; k, e}))\tau = (\overline{gh; i, e})\tau = gh$ (the last product is multiplication in T_y). Hence, T is a semilattice Y of cancellative monoids $(T_y : y \in Y)$. For $a \in T_x$ and $x \geq_y$, define a $\zeta_{x,y} = ae_y$ where e_y is the identity of T_y . It is routine to verify that $\zeta_{x,y}$ is a homomorphism of T_x into T_y , $\zeta_{y,y}$ is the identity map on T_y , and, for $a \in T_y, b \in T_x, ab = a\zeta_{y,yx}b\zeta_{x,yx}$. Using the fact that the idempotents of T commute by Proposition 1.3, it is easily seen that $\zeta_{y,x}\zeta_{x,w} = \zeta_{y,w}$ for $y \geq_x \geq_w$. Hence, T is a strong semilattice $\zeta(Y; T_y; \zeta_{y,x})$ of cancellative monoids (notation of [10]). We identify S/δ and T .

We next describe the Rhodes expansion \widehat{S} of an arbitrary semigroup S (see [17] and [13]). The Rhodes expansion and certain of its properties will be crucial in developing our structure theory of super quasi-adequate semigroups. If $a, b \in S, a \leq b$ means $a \cup Sa \leq b \cup Sb$ and $a < b$ means $a \leq b$ but $a L b$. Let $S_+ = \{(s_n, \dots, s_1) : s_i \in S \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } s_1 \leq s_2 \leq \dots \leq s_n\}$. If $x = (s_n, \dots, s_1), y = (t_m, \dots, t_1)$ define $xy = (s_n t_m, \dots, s_1 t_m, t_m, \dots, t_1)$. Then, S_+ is a semigroup under this multiplication. If $a = (s_n, \dots, s_1) \in S_+$ and $s_{k+1} L s_k$ for some $1 \leq k \leq n - 1$ delete s_k to obtain $a_1 \in S_+$ and denote the deletion by $a \rightarrow a_1$. Perform $a \rightarrow a_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow a_k$ where $a_k = (s_n, s_{n1}, \dots, s_{nr})$ with $s_n < s_{n1} < \dots < s_{nr}$ (such an a_k is termed an irreducible element of S_+). Write $a_k = \text{red } a$ and $a \sim b$ if $\text{red } a = \text{red } b$. The equivalence relation \sim is a congruence relation on S_+ . Let $\widehat{S} = S_+/\sim$. \widehat{S} is termed the Rhodes expansion of S after its inventor John Rhodes. \widehat{S} will be treated as the set of irreducible elements of S_+ under the multiplication $ab = \text{red } (ab)$.

Lemma 1.5. *Let S be a super quasi-adequate semigroup. Then, \widehat{S} is a semilattice Y of subsemigroups $(F_y : y \in Y)$ where $F_y = \{(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) : a_n \in S_y, a_j \in S\}$ and $E(\widehat{S})$ is the semilattice Y of rectangular bands*

$$E(F_y) = \{(e_y; i, j), a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) : (e_y; i, j) \in E(S_y), a_j \in S\}.$$

$U = (\widehat{S/\delta})$ is a semilattice Y of left cancellative semigroups with idempotent $(X_y : y \in Y)$ where $X_y = \{(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) : a_n \in T_y, a_j \in S/\delta\}$. $E(U)$ is a semilattice Y of right zero semigroups $(E(X_y) : y \in Y)$ where $E(X_y) = \{(e_y, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) : e_y, \text{ the identity of } T_y, a_j \in S/\delta\}$. For $(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) \in \widehat{S}$, let $(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1)\widehat{\delta} = \text{red}(a_n\delta, a_{n-1}\delta, \dots, a_1\delta)$. Then, $\widehat{\delta}$ defines a homomorphism of \widehat{S} onto $(\widehat{S/\delta})$.

Proof. To establish the second sentence of the lemma, utilize Lemma 1.1 and [16, Lemma 6.7] (see also [17, Lemma 11.4] and [24, Theorem 3.1(f)]). Utilizing Lemma 1.4 and [24, Theorem 3.1(f)], it is easily checked that U is a semilattice Y of the semigroups $(X_y : y \in Y)$ and that the fourth sentence of the lemma is valid. We next show X_y is left cancellative for $y \in Y$. Let $(x_r, x_{r-1}, \dots, x_1)$, $(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1)$, and $(b_s, b_{s-1}, \dots, b_1)$ be elements of X_y and suppose that $(x_r, x_{r-1}, \dots, x_1) \cdot (a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) = (x_r, x_{r-1}, \dots, x_1) \cdot (b_s, b_{s-1}, \dots, b_1)$. Hence, $\text{red}(x_r a_n, x_{r-1} a_{n-1}, \dots, x_1 a_n, a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) = \text{red}(x_r b_s, x_{r-1} b_{s-1}, \dots, x_1 b_s, b_s, b_{s-1}, \dots, b_1)$. Thus, $x_r a_n = x_r b_s$. Hence, since T_y is a cancellative semigroup, $a_n = b_s$. Thus, $n = s$ and $a_i = b_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. The last sentence of the lemma is a consequence of [16, Proposition 6.6] (see also [17] and [24, Theorem 3.11(b)]).

In the remainder of this section, S will denote a super quasi-adequate semigroup.

If A is a semigroup and $a = (a_n, \dots, a_1) \in \widehat{A}$, let $|a| = n$. We term $|a|$ the length of a .

Lemma 1.6. *If $z \in \widehat{S}$, $|z| = |z\delta|$*

Proof. Let $z = (a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1)$. Suppose $a_{k+1}\delta La_k\delta$ for some $1 \leq k \leq n-1$. Using Lemma 1.1, let $a_{k+1} = (g_{k+1}; i_{k+1}, j_{k+1}) \in S_y$, say, and $a_k = (g_k; i_k, j_k) \in S_x$, say. Thus, $a_{k+1}\delta = g_{k+1} \in T_y$ and $a_k\delta = g_k \in T_x$, and, hence, $g_{k+1}Lg_k$ (in S/δ). Using Lemma 1.4, it easily seen that $y = z$ and $g_{k+1} = \mu g_k$ where μ is a unit of T_y . Since $a_{k+1} < a_k$, $a_{k+1} = sa_k$ for some $s \in S$. We may take $s = (s'; m, n) \in S_y$. Hence, $(g_{k+1}; i_{k+1}, j_{k+1}) = (s'; m, n)(g_k; i_k, j_k)$. So, $j_{k+1} = j_k$. Thus, $(g_k; i_k, j_k) = (\mu^{-1}; i_k, j_k) \cdot (g_{k+1}; i_{k+1}, j_{k+1})$. Hence, $a_{k+1}La_k$, a contradiction. Thus, $\text{red}(a_n\delta, a_{n-1}\delta, \dots, a_1\delta) = (a_n\delta, a_{n-1}\delta, \dots, a_1\delta)$ and $|z| = |z\delta|$.

For $t \in U = (\widehat{S}/\delta)$, let $U_t = \{x \in U : x = t\}$

Lemma 1.7. *For $t \in U$, $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1} \leq E(\widehat{S})$. If $t \in X_y$, $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1} \leq U(E(F_x) : x \geq y)$.*

Proof. Let $s \in U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1}$. Hence, $s\widehat{\delta} \in U_t$. Using an important theorem of Rhodes [13, Theorem A.1V.1], $(s\widehat{\delta})^{|t|+1} = (s\widehat{\delta})^{|t|}$. Let $s = (s_n, s_{n-1}, \dots, s_1)$. Then, $s\widehat{\delta} = (s_n\delta, s_{n-1}\delta, \dots, s_1\delta)$. If $s_n = (g; i, j) \in S_y$, $s_n\delta = g \in T_y$. Thus, $pr_1(s\widehat{\delta})^{|t|+1} = g^{|t|+1}$ and $pr_1(s\widehat{\delta})^{|t|} = g^{|t|}$. Let e denote the identity of T_y . Thus, since T_y is a cancellative monoid, $g^{|t|}e = g^{|t|}g$ implies $e = g$. Hence, $s_n \in E(S)$. Thus, using [24, Theorem 3.1(f)], $s \in E(\widehat{S})$. Hence $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1} \leq E(\widehat{S})$. The last sentence of the lemma is a consequence of the definitions of U_t and δ , Lemma 1.5, and the first sentence of the lemma.

If we replace “ e ” by “ δ ”, “ X_y ” by “ F_y ”, “ G_y ” by “ T_y ”, and “ U_y ” by “ X_y ” in [26, Lemma 5, Lemma 7, Lemma 8, Lemma 9, Lemma 11] (if $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1} \neq \phi$ and the last sentence is omitted), Lemma 12, Lemma 13, the first two sentences of Lemma 15, Lemma 16, Lemma 17, and Lemma 18 (with “and ... Y^x ” omitted), these lemmas are valid for quasi-adequate semigroups S . The proofs of these modified lemmas are the same as the proofs of the original lemmas in [26] except that we replace Lemma 1 of [26] by Lemma 1.1, 1.4, and 1.5 and Proposition 1.3; Lemma 2 of [26] by Lemma 1.6; and Lemma 6 of

[26] by Lemma 1.7 in the proofs of the original lemmas. Using Lemmas 1.1, 1.4 and 1.5, Proposition 1.3, Lemma 1.6, [26, Lemma 3], Lemma 1.7, and the modified Lemmas, we obtain

Lemma 1.8. *If $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1} \neq \phi$, then $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1}$ is a chain $\widetilde{P}_{|t|}$ of rectangular bands $(W_j : j \in \widetilde{P}_{|t|})$ where $\widetilde{P}_{|t|}$ is a sub-chain of $P_{|t|} = \{1, 2, \dots, |t|\}$ under the reverse of the usual order. Furthermore, every element of W_j has length j .*

Let $t \in X_y$ and suppose that $|t| = k$. If $x, y \in U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1}$, define $x\sigma'y$ if and only if $ax = ay$ for all $a \in W_k$ where k is the least element of \widetilde{P}_k .

If we make the usual modifications and furthermore replace “ σ ” by “ σ' ”, [26, Lemma 21 and Lemma 23] are valid for super quasi-adequate semigroups S . The proofs also remain valid if we replace “ σ ” by “ σ' ”, “ e ” by “ δ ”, k by \bar{k} , and Lemma 7 by modified Lemma 7 if we note that e_jLg_j (notation of [26, Lemma 23]) by virtue of the modified Lemma 5.

Lemma 1.9. *If $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1} \neq \phi$, L is a congruence relation on $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1}$. Hence, $U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1}/L$ is a chain $\widetilde{P}_{|t|}$ of right zero semigroups $(W_j/L : j \in \widetilde{P}_{|t|})$.*

Proof. Replace “ δ ” for “ e ”, Lemmas 21 and 23 by their modifications, and Lemma 1.8 for Lemma 20 in the proof of [26, Lemma 24].

Let r be a homomorphism of a monoid S onto a monoid T , we define a category R_r as follows: $\text{obj } R_r = T$. For $t_1, t_2 \in T$, $R_r(t_1, t_2) = \{(t_1, s, t_2) : s \in S \text{ and } t_2 = t_1(s_r)\}$. For $(t_1, s_1, t_2) \in R_r(t_1, t_2)$ and $(t_2, s_2, t_3) \in R_r(t_2, t_3)$, we define the composition $(t_1, s_1, t_2)(t_2, s_2, t_3) = (t_1, s_1s_2, t_3)$. It is easily checked that $(t_1, s_1s_2, t_3) \in R_r(t_1, t_3)$ and the composition is associative where defined. The identity arrow of $R_r(t, t)$ is $(t, 1, t)$ where 1 is the identity of S . So, R_r is a category. Let α be a congruence on S and for $(t_1, s_1, t_2), (t_1, s_2, t_2) \in R_r(t_1, t_2)$ define $(t_1, s_1, t_2)\Omega(t_1, s_2, t_2)$ if and only if $ss_1 = ss_2$ for all $s \in t_1^{-1}$ and $s_1\alpha s_2$. Then, by [26, Lemma 25], Ω is a congruence on the category R_r . Let $D_r^\alpha = R_r/\Omega$. Following Tilson [18], we term D_r^α the derived category of r . Let $[t_1, s_1, t_2] \in D_r^\alpha(t_1, t_2)$ denote the Ω -class of R_r containing $(t_1, s_1, t_2) \in R_r(t_1, t_2)$. We define $x\lambda y$ (in \widehat{S}) if $x, y \in F_v$ for some v . Clearly, λ is a congruence relation on \widehat{S} .

Lemma 1.10. *For $t \in (\widehat{S/\delta})$, $[t, s, t]\tau = sL$ defines an isomorphism of $D_\delta^\lambda(t, t)$ onto $(U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1}/L)^1$.*

Proof. Suppose $sLz(s, z \in U_t\widehat{\delta}^{-1})$ Hence, using Lemma 1.8, $s, z \in W_j$ for some $j \in \widetilde{P}_{|t|}$. Thus, using modified [26, Lemma 23], $s\sigma'z$. Hence, $xs = xz$ for all $x \in W_{\bar{k}}$ where $k = |t|$. Since $t(x\widehat{\delta}) = t$, $t \leq x\widehat{\delta}$. Let $t = (g_k, g_{k-1}, \dots, g_1)$. If $\bar{k} = k$, using [16, Proposition 7.1] (valid for arbitrary semigroups) (see also [17, Proposition 12.1]), Lemmas 1.6-1.8, and [24, Lemma 3.1[f]], $x\widehat{\delta} = (e_k, g_{k-1}, \dots, g_1)$ where $e_k^2 = e_kLg_k$. Using Lemmas 1.5, 1.6 and 1.8 if $u \in t\widehat{\delta}^{-1}$, then $u = ((g_k; i_k, j_k), (g_{k-1}; i_{k-1}, j_{k-1}), \dots, (g_1; i_1, j_1))$, say. Since

$W_{\bar{k}} = W_k = E(F_{k'}) \cap U_t \widehat{\delta}^{-1}$ (where $k \rightarrow k'$ defines isomorphism of \widetilde{P}_k into Y) (see [26]), let $x = ((e_k; i_k, j_k), (g_{k-1}; i_{k-1}, j_{k-1}), \dots, (g_1; i_1, j_1))$. Since $(g_k; i_k, j_k)L(e_k; i_k, j_k)$, it is easily checked that $ux = u$. Hence, $us = uxs = uxz = uz$. Since $s, z \in W_j, s\lambda z$. Thus, $[t, s, t] = [t, z, t]$. Next, assume $k > \bar{k}$. Then, using [17, Proposition 12.1]), Lemma 1.7 and [24, Theorem 3.1(f)], $t = (g_k, g_{k-1}, \dots, g_{\bar{k}}, g_{\bar{k}-1}, \dots, g_1)$ and $x\widehat{\delta} = (e_{\bar{k}}, g_{\bar{k}-1}, \dots, g_1)$ where $g_{\bar{k}}Le_{\bar{k}} = e_{\bar{k}}^2$. Hence, $u = (g_k; i_k, j_k), (g_{k-1}; i_{k-1}, j_{k-1}), \dots, (g_{\bar{k}}; i_{\bar{k}}, j_{\bar{k}}), (g_{\bar{k}-1}; i_{\bar{k}-1}, j_{\bar{k}-1}), \dots, (g_1; i_1, j_1)$ and $x = ((e_{\bar{k}}; i_{\bar{k}}, j_{\bar{k}}), (g_{\bar{k}-1}; i_{\bar{k}-1}, j_{\bar{k}-1}), \dots, (g_1; i_1, j_1))$.

Since $(g_s; i_s, j_s) < (g_{\bar{k}}; i_{\bar{k}}, j_{\bar{k}})$ for $\bar{k} < s \leq k$, $(g_s; i_s, j_s)(e_{\bar{k}}; i_{\bar{k}}, j_{\bar{k}}) = (g_s; i_s, j_s)$. Furthermore $(g_{\bar{k}}; i_{\bar{k}}, j_{\bar{k}})L(e_{\bar{k}}; i_{\bar{k}}, j_{\bar{k}})$. Hence, by a routine calculation, $ux = u$. Thus, as above, $[t, s, t] = [t, z, t]$. Conversely, assume $[t, s, t] = [t, z, t]$. Hence, $s, z \in F_q$, say and $xs = xz$ for all $x \in_t \widehat{\delta}^{-1}$. Using [26, Lemma 22], $s \leq z$ or $z \leq s$. Using Lemma 1.7, $sz = s$ or $zs = z$. Since $s, z \in W_j$ for some j, sLz in either case. Thus, $[t, s, t]\tau = sL(s \in U_t \widehat{\delta}^{-1})$ defines a 1-1 map of $D_{\delta}^{\lambda}(t, t)$ into $(U_t \widehat{\delta}^{-1}/L)^1$. Clearly, τ is a surjection. Using Lemma 1.9, τ is an isomorphism.

Theorem 1.11. *Let S be a super quasi-adequate semigroup. Then,*

$$S^1 < V \circ (\widehat{S/\delta})^1 \tag{1}$$

where V is an L -trivial and idempotent monoid, δ is the minimum adequate good congruence on S , $(\widehat{S/\delta})$ is a semilattice $Y = S/J^*$ of left cancellative semigroups $(X_y : y \in Y)$ with idempotents, and $E((\widehat{S/\delta}))$ is a semilattice Y of right zero semigroups $(E(X_y) : y \in Y)$.

Proof. Utilize Lemma 1.5 (define $1\delta = 1$), Lemma 1.10, [26, Lemma 29], and [26, Theorem 26] to establish (1). To complete the proof utilize Proposition 1.3 and Lemma 1.5.

Remark 1.12. If E is the edge set of the graph obtained from D_{δ}^{λ} by removing the identity arrows, then V is the free monoid over E relative to the equation $xyx = yx(x, y \in E^1)$ (see [26]-especially the proof of [26, Lemma 29]). V is a semilattice A (set of all finite subsets of E under union) of right zero semigroups $(U_p : P \in A)$ where U_p denotes the set of all elements of V with content P (see [2], [10] and [26, especially Theorem 27])

Lemma 1.12. $X_y = C_y \times E_y$ where C_y is a cancellative monoid and E_y is a right zero semigroup if and only if T_y is a group. In the case, $X_y = T_y \times E(X_y)$.

Proof. Suppose $X_y = C_y \times E_y$. Then, Using [19, Theorem 2], $a \in aX_y$ for all $a \in X_y$. Thus, $(a_n) = (a_n)e$ for some $e \in X_y$. Hence, $(a_n)e = (a_n)e^2$. Thus, using Lemma 1.5, $e = e^2$. Hence, using Lemma 1.5, $(a_n) = (a_n)(e_y, x_{k-1}, \dots, x_1)$ where e_y is the identity of T_y . Thus, $(a_n) = \text{red}(a_n, e_y, x_{k-1}, \dots, x_1)$. So, a_nLe_y . Hence, using Lemma 1.4, $e_y = sa_n$ where s may be taken as an element of T_y . Thus, $a_nsa_n s =$

$a_n e_y s = a_n s = a_n s e_y$. So, $a_n s = e_y$ and, hence, T_y is a group. Conversely, suppose T_y is a group. Let $(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) \in X_y$. Then, $(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1) = (a_n)(e_y, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1)$. Since $(a_n)(b_n) = (a_n b_n)$ for $a_n, b_n \in T_y$, $T_y \cong \{(a_n : a_n \in T_y)\}$. Thus, it is easily checked that every element of X_y may be uniquely expressed in the form $(a)e$ where $a \in T_y$ and $e \in E(X_y)$ and $(a, e) \rightarrow (a)e$ defines an isomorphism of $T_y \times E(X_y)$ onto X_y .

Remark 1.13. In the case S is an orthodox union of groups in Theorem 1.11, δ becomes the minimum inverse semigroup congruence on S , $J^* = J$ and $X_y = T_y \times E(X_y)$ where T_y is a maximal subgroup of S (hence, X_y is a right group). These facts are a consequence of Proposition 1.3, Lemma 1.1, and Lemma 1.12. In this case, the structure of (S/δ) is further refined by [25, Theorem 2.6] (see also [26, Theorem 31]).

Section 2. The Structure of Super Generalized L^* -unipotent Semigroups.

In this section, we describe the smallest L^* -unipotent good congruence on a super generalized L^* -unipotent semigroup (Proposition 2.1) and give a structure theorem for super generalized L^* -unipotent semigroups (Theorem 2.4).

Proposition 2.1. *Let S be a super generalized L^* -unipotent semigroup. Then, $\delta \cap L$ is the smallest L^* -unipotent good congruence on S . $S/\delta \cap L$ is a semilattice $Y = S/J^*$ of semigroups $(M_y : y \in Y)$ where $M_y = T_y \times J_y$ where T_y is the cancellative monoid of Lemma 1.1 and J_y is an R -class of $E(S_y)$. $E(S/\delta \cap L)$ is a semilattice Y of the right zero semigroups $(J_y : y \in Y)$.*

Proof. We first show that $\delta \cap L$ is a congruence relation on S . Utilizing Proposition 1.3, $\delta \cap L$ is a right congruence relation on S . Let $\overline{\delta \cap L}$ be the smallest congruence relation on S containing $\delta \cap L$. We will show that $\overline{\delta \cap L} = \delta \cap L$. Suppose $a (\delta \cap L) b$. Then, there exists $a = a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n = b \in S$ such that $a_i = x_i u_i$, $a_{i+1} = x_i v_i$ where $x_i \in S^1$ and $(u_i, v_i) \in \delta \cap L$ for $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$. Let $x_i = (g; i, k)_\gamma \in S_\gamma$, $u_i = (w; s, j)_\lambda \in S_\lambda$, and $v_i = (w; t, j)_\lambda \in S_\lambda$. Since δ is a congruence relation, $a_i = (m; p, q)_{\gamma\lambda}$ and $a_{i+1} = (m; i, d)_{\gamma\lambda}$, say. Let $\alpha =_{\gamma\lambda}$. Then, $\alpha_\gamma = \alpha_\lambda = \alpha$. Hence, $(m; p, q)_\alpha = (g; i, k)_\gamma (e_\gamma; i, k)_\gamma (e_\lambda; s, j)_\lambda (w; s, j)_\lambda$ and $(m; c, d)_\alpha = (g; i, k)_\gamma (e_\gamma; i, k)_\gamma (e_\lambda; t, j)_\lambda (w; s, j)_\lambda$ where e_γ is the identity of T_γ .

Since L is a congruence relation on $E(S)$, $(e_\gamma; i, k)_\gamma (e_\lambda; s, j)_\lambda L (e_\gamma; i, k)_\gamma (e_\lambda; t, j)_\lambda$. Hence, $(e_\lambda; i, k)_\gamma (e_\lambda; s, j)_\lambda = (e_\alpha; s', j')_\alpha$ and $(e_\gamma; i, k)_\gamma (e_\lambda; t, j)_\lambda = (e_\alpha; t', j')_\alpha$, say. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} (m; p, q)_\alpha &= (g; i, k)_\gamma (e_\alpha; s', j')_\alpha (w; s, j)_\lambda \\ (m; c, d)_\alpha &= (g; i, k)_\gamma (e_\alpha; t', j')_\alpha (w; s, j)_\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Since L is a right congruence relation on S , $(e_\alpha; s', j')_\alpha (w; s, j)_\lambda L (e_\alpha; t', j')_\alpha (w; s, j)_\lambda$. Hence, $(e_\alpha; s', j')_\alpha (w; s, j)_\lambda = (w^*; s^*, j^*)_\alpha$ and $(e_\alpha; t', j')_\alpha (w; s, j)_\lambda = (\bar{w}; \bar{s}, j^*)_\alpha$,

say. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}(m; p, q)_\alpha &= (g; i, k)_\gamma (w^*; s^*, j^*)_\alpha \\ (m; c, d)_\alpha &= (g; i, k)_\gamma (w; s, j^*)_\alpha\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}(e_\alpha; p, q)_\alpha (m; p, q)_\alpha &= (e_\alpha; p, q)_\alpha (g; i, k)_\gamma (w^*; s^*, j^*)_\alpha \\ (e_\alpha; p, q)_\alpha (m; c, d)_\alpha &= (e_\alpha; p, q)_\alpha (g; i, k)_\gamma (\bar{w}; \bar{s}, j^*)_\alpha.\end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $(e_\alpha; p, q)_\alpha (g; i, k)_\gamma = (\bar{g}; \bar{i}, \bar{k})_\alpha$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}(m; p, q)_\alpha &= (\bar{g}; \bar{i}, \bar{k})_\alpha (w^*; s^*, j^*)_\alpha \\ (m; p, d)_\alpha &= (\bar{g}; \bar{i}, \bar{k})_\alpha (\bar{w}; \bar{s}, j^*)_\alpha\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $q = d = j^*$. Thus, $a_i(\delta \cap L)a_{i+1}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Hence, $a(\delta \cap L)b$ and, thus $\delta \cap L = \bar{\delta} \cap L$.

We will need to show that $\delta \cap L^* = \delta \cap L$. Suppose $a(\delta \cap L^*)b$. Since $a\delta b$, $a = (g; i, j)_\alpha \in S_\alpha$ and $b = (g; r, s)_\alpha \in S_\alpha$, say. There exists an oversemigroup S^* of S such that $s(g; i, j)_\alpha = (g; r, s)_\alpha$ where $s \in S^*$. Hence, $(g; r, s)_\alpha (e_\alpha; i, j)_\alpha = (g; r, s)_\alpha$.

Thus, $j = s$. Hence, $a(\delta \cap L)b$. Thus, $\delta \cap L^* \leq \delta \cap L$. Since $L \leq L^*$, $\delta \cap L^* = \delta \cap L$.

We next show that $\delta \cap L$ is a good congruence. We will use [5, Corollary 1.5]. Suppose aL^*e where $e \in E(S)$. Let $ax(\delta \cap L)ay$ where $x, y \in S^1$. Thus, $ax(\delta \cap L^*)ay$. Since aL^*e , axL^*ex and ayL^*ey . Thus, exL^*ey . Using [5, Corollary 1.5] and Proposition 1.3, $ex\delta ey$ for some $e^2 = e \in L^*a$. Thus, $ex(\delta \cap L^*)ey$. Hence, $ex(\delta \cap L)ey$. Next, let aR^*e where $e \in E(S)$. Assume $xa(\delta \cap L)ya$ where $x, y \in S^1$. Thus, $xa = (h; m, n)_\alpha$ and $ya = (h; p, n)_\alpha$, say. Let $f = (e_y; m, n)_\alpha$. Then, $xa = fya$. Hence, $fxa = fya$. Thus, using [11, Lemma 1.7], $fxe = fye$. Since xaR^*xe and yaR^*ye , it is easily seen that xe, ye , and $f \in S_\alpha$. Hence $fxe = fye$ implies $xe(\delta \cap L)ye$. Thus, $\delta \cap L$ is a good congruence on S by [5, Corollary 1.5].

We next show that $S/\delta \cap L$ is an L^* -unipotent semigroup. Using [6, Proposition 1.6], $S/\delta \cap L$ is a quasi-adequate semigroup. Using [6, Lemma 1.5], $E(S/\delta \cap L) = \{e(\delta \cap L) : e \in E(S)\}$. Suppose $e(\delta \cap L)Lf(\delta \cap L)$ (in $E(S/\delta \cap L)$). Thus, $(ef, e) \in \delta \cap L$ and $(fe, f) \in \delta \cap L$. Hence, $e, f \in S_\gamma$, say. Thus, $e = efe = ef$. Hence, $e(\delta \cap L)f$. Thus, $S/\delta \cap L$ is an L^* -unipotent semigroup.

Let e be an L^* -unipotent congruence on S . Suppose $a(\delta \cap L)b$. Then, $a = (g; m, n)_\alpha$ and $b = (g; p, n)_\alpha$, say. Thus $a = (e_\alpha; m, n)_\alpha b$. Since $(e_\alpha; m, n)_\alpha L (e_\alpha; p, n)_\alpha$, $(e_\alpha; m, n)_\alpha e = (e_\alpha; p, n)_\alpha e$. Hence, $ae = (e_\alpha; m, n)_\alpha ebe = (e_\alpha; p, n)_\alpha be = be$. Thus, $\delta \cap L \leq e$. Thus, $\delta \cap L$ is the smallest L^* -unipotent congruence on S .

Using Lemma 1.1, $S_y = T_y \times I_y \times J_y$ (algebraic direct product) where I_y is a left zero semigroup and J_y is a right zero semigroup. Let $M_y = T_y \times J_y$ (algebraic direct product). Let $(\bar{g}; \bar{i}, \bar{j})$ denote the $\delta \cap L$ -class of S containing $(g; i, j)$. Then, $(\bar{g}; \bar{i}, \bar{j})\lambda = (g, j)$ defines a 1-1 mapping of $S/\delta \cap L$ onto $M = U(M_y : y \in Y)$. In a similar manner to the proof of Lemma 1.4, we may define a multiplication on M such that M is a semilattice Y of the

semigroups $(M_y : y \in Y)$ and $M \cong S/\delta \cap L$. The last sentence follows since $E(M)$ is a semigroup.

Remark 2.2 will be used in the proof of Theorem 2.4.

Remark 2.2. Let θ be a homomorphism of a semigroup S onto a semigroup T . Define $D(\theta) = \{(t, s, t(s\theta)) : t \in T^0; s \in S\} \cup \{O\}$ under the multiplication $(t_1, s_1, t_1(s_1\theta))(t_2, s_2, t_2(s_2\theta)) = (t_1, s_1s_2, t_1(s_1s_2)\theta)$ if $t_1(s_1\theta) = t_2$; O if $t_1(s_1\theta) \neq t_2$ and $O(t, s, t(s\theta)) = (t, s, t(s\theta))O = O.O = O.D(\theta)$ was termed the derived semigroup of θ by its inventor Bret Tilson (see [16] and [17]). Let ϕ be a mapping of $D(\theta) - \{O\}$ into a semigroup P . Following Rhodes [13, Definition A.I.2.1, p. 94], we term $\phi : D(\theta) - \{O\} \rightarrow P$ a parametrization of $D(\theta)$ if 1) ϕ is a partial homomorphism of $D(\theta) - \{O\}$ into P (i.e. if $x, y \in D(\theta) - \{O\}$ and $xy \neq O$, then $x\theta y\theta = (xy)\theta$) 2) ϕ satisfies the embedding condition: $s_1\theta = s_2\theta$ and $(t, s_1, t(s_1\theta))\phi = (t, s_2, t(s_2\theta))\phi$ for all $t \in T^*$ implies $s_1 = s_2$. For brevity, we also term P a parametrization of $D(\theta)$. Using [13, Proposition AI.2.3], $S \leq P \circ T$ where $p|S = \theta$ (p is the projection if $P \circ T$ onto T). Following Rhodes [13], we define $D^R(\theta)$ (dual derived semigroup) as follows: $D^R(\theta) = \{((s\theta)t, s, t) : s \in S, t \in T^0\} \cup \{o\}$ under the multiplication $((s_1\theta)t_1, s_1, t_1)((s_2\theta)t_2, s_2, t_2) = ((s_1\theta)t_1, s_1s_2, t_2)$ if $t_1 = (s_2\theta)t_2$; o if $t_1 \neq (s_2\theta)t_2$; $o((s\theta)t, s, t) = ((s\theta)t, s, t)o = oo = o$. A parametrization P^R of $D^R(\theta)$ is defined as above and $S \leq T \circ P^R$ with $p|S = \theta$.

Remark 2.3 will be needed for the statement of Theorem 2.4

Remark 2.3. Let W be a partial groupoid which is a union of a collection of pairwise disjoint subsemigroups $(T_y : y \in Y)$ where Y is a semilattice. If $a \in T_y, b \in T_x$ and $y \geq x$ (in Y) imply ab is defined (in W) and $ab \in T_x$ and $x \geq w$ and $c \in T_w$ imply $(ab)c = a(bc)$, we term W a lower partial chain Y of the semigroups $(T_y : y \in Y)$. Let X be a semilattice Y of semigroups $(X_y : y \in Y)$ and let R and S be semigroups. For the definition of $W \circ X \circ R$ and $S \leq W \circ X \circ R$, see [24, p. 188 and p. 189].

Theorem 2.4. Let S be a super generalized L^* -unipotent semigroup. Then,

- (1) $S \leq W^1 \circ (E(S)/L)^1 \circ (S/\delta \cap L)^1$ where W is a lower partial chain $Y = S/J^*$ of left zero subsemigroups of $E(S)$, $E(S)/L$ is a semilattice Y of right zero semigroups, and $\delta \cap L$ is the smallest L^* -unipotent good congruence on S . Furthermore,
- (2) $S/\delta \cap L \leq (S/\delta \cap L/e)^1 \circ (E(S)/L)^1$ where e is the smallest adequate good congruence on $S/\delta \cap L$ and $S/\delta \cap L/e$ is a strong semilattice Y of cancellative monoids $(T_y : y \in Y)$ (T_y is a cancellative subsemigroup of S).

Proof. We will first establish that $S \leq (E(S))^1 \circ (S/\delta \cap L)^1$. For each $(g, j)_y \in M_y$ ($y \in Y$) (Notation of Proposition 2.1), select a representative element $u_{(g,j)_y}$ in S_y . We first show that every element of S may be uniquely expressed in the form $w_{(e_y, j)_y} u_{(g, j)_y}$ where $w_{(e_y, j)_y} \in (e_y, j)_y (\delta \cap L)^{-1}$. Let $(g; i, j)_y \in S_y$ and suppose $u_{(g, j)_y} = (g; i_o, j)_y$. Then, $(g; i, j)_y = (e_y; i, j)_y (g; i_o, j)_y$ where $(e_y; i, j)_y \in (e_y, j)_y (\delta \cap L)^{-1}$. It is easily checked that the above expression is unique. If $s = (g, j)_y$, let $s^+ = (e_y, j)_y$. Thus every element of S may be uniquely expressed in the form $w_s^+ u_s$ where $w_s^+ \in_s^+ (\delta \cap L)^{-1}$.

Let $t \in S/\delta \cap L$ and $s \in_x (\delta \cap L)^{-1}$. Hence, we may write $u_t^s = f(t,s)u_{tx}$ where $f(t,s) \in (t_x)^+(\delta \cap L)^{-1}$. First assume S has an identity. For $(t,s,t(s(\delta \cap L))) \in D(\delta \cap L) - \{O\}$, define $(t,s,t(s(\delta \cap L)))\theta = f(t,s)$. We will show that $\theta : D(\delta \cap L) - \{O\} \rightarrow E(S)$ is a parametrization of $D(\delta \cap L)$. It is easily checked that θ defines a mapping of $D(\delta \cap L) - \{O\}$ into $E(S)$. Next, we show that θ defines a partial homomorphism. Let $(t_1,s_1,t_1(s_1(\delta \cap L))), (t_2,s_2,t_2(s_2(\delta \cap L))) \in D(\delta \cap L)$ with $t_1(s_1(\delta \cap L)) = t_2$. We must show $f(t_1,s_1)f(t_2,s_2) = f(t_1,s_1s_2)$. Suppose $s_1 \in_{x_1} (\delta \cap L)^{-1}$ and $s_2 \in_{x_2} (\delta \cap L)^{-1}$. Then, $u_{t_1}(s_1,s_2) = f(t_1,s_1s_2)u_{t_1x_1x_2} = f(t_1,s_1s_2)u_{t_2x_2}$ where $f(t_1,s_1s_2) \in (t_2x_2)^+(\delta \cap L)^{-1}$. However, $(u_{t_1s_1})s_2 = f(t_1,s_1)(u_{t_2s_2}) = f(t_1,s_1)f(t_2,s_2)u_{t_2x_2}$. Let $t_2 \in M_y$ and $x_2 \in M_x$, say. Hence, $t_2s_2 \in M_{yx}$. Furthermore, $t_2^+ \in E(M_y)$ and $(t_2s_2)^+ \in E(M_{yx})$. Using the last sentence of Proposition 2.1, $t_2^+(t_2s_2)^+ = (t_2^+(t_2s_2)^+)(t_2s_2)^+ = (t_2s_2)^+$. Hence, $f(t_1,s_1)f(t_2,s_2) \in (t_2s_2)^+(\delta \cap L)^{-1}$. Thus, $f(t_1,s_1)f(t_2,s_2) = f(t_1,s_1s_2)$, and, hence, θ is a partial homomorphism. We next show the embedding condition is valid. Let e denote the identity of $S/\delta \cap L$ and let $u_e = 1$, the identity of S . Thus, if $s_1(\delta \cap L) = s_2(\delta \cap L) =_x$ and $f(e,s_1) = f(e,s_2)$, then $s_1 = u_e s_1 = f(e,s_1)u_x = f(e,s_2)u_x = u_e s_2 = s_2$. Hence, $E(S)$ is a parametrization of $D(\delta \cap L)$. Thus, using Remark 2.2, $S \leq E(S) \circ S/\delta \cap L$. If S has no identity consider S^1 . Note that $a(\delta \cap L)_1$ (in S^1) implies $a =_1$. Hence, $S^1/\delta \cap L \cong (S/\delta \cap L)^1$. Furthermore, $E(S^1) \cong (E(S))^1$. Hence, $S \leq S^1 \leq (E(S))^1 \circ (S/\delta \cap L)^1$. Thus utilizing [24, Theorem 1.24, Remark (1.24)', Lemma 1.23, and Lemma 1.25], we obtain (1). We next establish (2). Let $M = S/\delta \cap L$. Utilizing [9, Corollary 6.2 and Proposition 6.5], Proposition 2.1 and Lemma 1.4, M/e is the strong semilattice Y of cancellative monoids $(T_y : y \in Y)$. If $s \in T_y$, let $s^* = e_y$, the identity of T_y . For each $s \in M/e$, select a representative element $u_s \in_s e^{-1}$. We show that every element of M may be uniquely expressed in the form $u_s w_s^*$ where $w_s^* \in_s^* e^{-1}$. Let $(g,j)_y \in M_y$ and suppose $u_s = (g,j_0)_y \in M_y$. Hence, $(g,j)_y = (g,j_0)_y(e_y,j)_y$ where $(e_y,j)_y \in e_y e^{-1}$ and $g^* = e_y$. Suppose $u_s g_s^* = u_s h_s^*$. Then, since $M_y(y \in Y)$ is left cancellative, $g_s^* = h_s^*$. Let $t \in M/e$ and $s \in_x e^{-1}$. Hence, we may write ${}_s u_t = u_{xt} f(s,t)$ where $f(s,t) \in (xt)^* e^{-1}$. First, assume that M has an identity. For $((s e)_{t,s,t}) \in D^R(e) - \{O\}$, define $((s e)_{t,s,t})\theta = f(s,t)$. Using the fact that M/e is a strong semilattice Y of cancellative monoids $(T_y : y \in Y)$, we proceed as above to show that $\theta : D^R(e) - \{O\} \rightarrow E(M)$ is a parametrization of $D^R(e)$. Thus, using Remark 2.2, $M \leq M/e \overset{\Omega}{\circ} E(M)$. Again, proceeding as above, $M \leq M^1 \leq (M/e)^1 \overset{\Omega}{\circ} (E(M))^1$. Using Proposition 2.1, $E(M) \cong E(S)/L$. Hence (2) is valid. To complete the proof, utilize Proposition 2.1.

Remark 2.5. W is a lower partial chain Y of L -classes of $E(S)$. Each J -class of $E(S)$ contains precisely one of these L -classes (see [24, Theorem 1.24]).

Remark 2.6. Let S be a generalized L -unipotent union of groups. Then, $\delta \cap L$ is the smallest L -unipotent congruence on S (δ is the smallest inverse semigroup congruence on S), e is the smallest inverse semigroup congruence on $S/\delta \cap L$, T_y is a maximal subgroup of S , and $J^* = J$ in the statement of Theorem 2.4. Thus, Theorem 2.4 generalizes [24, Theorem 1.27, Theorem 1.28, and Theorem 1.26] in the case S is also a union of groups

(our structure theorem for generalized L -unipotent unions of groups). A different type structure theorem for generalized R -unipotent unions of groups is given in [22, Theorem 4.7].

Section 3 Super R^* -unipotent Semigroups

In this section, we give a structure theorem for super R^* -unipotent semigroups (Theorem 3.1)

Theorem 3.1. *Let S be a super R^* -unipotent semigroup. Thus, $*S \leq (E(S))^{1_0} (S/\delta)^1$ where $E(S)$ is a semilattice $Y = S/J^*$ of left zero semigroups, δ is the smallest adequate good congruence on S , and S/δ is a strong semilattice Y of cancellative monoids $(T_y : y \in Y)$ (T_y is a subsemigroup of S).*

Proof. Using Lemma 1.1, $S_y = T_y \times E(S_y)$ where $E(S_y)$ is a left zero semigroup. Hence, by a routine calculation, $\delta \cap L = \delta$. Thus, utilizing the proof of Theorem 2.4, $*$ is valid. Use Proposition 1.3 and Lemma 1.4 to complete the proof.

Remark 3.2. Let S be an R -unipotent union of groups. Then, δ is smallest inverse semigroup congruence on S , T_y is a maximal subgroup of S , and $J = J^*$ in the statement of Theorem 3.1. Hence, Theorem 3.1 generalizes [24, Remark 1.14, Theorem 1.12, and Theorem 1.8] (our structure theorem for R -unipotent unions of groups). A different type structure theorem for L -unipotent unions of groups is given in [22, Theorem 7.2].

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