

# VECTOR VALUED GROUPOIDS INDUCED BY VARIETIES OF SEMIGROUPS

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**Abstract.** Vector valued groupoids induced by semigroups are considered in [3]. Here we consider vector valued groupoids induced by (nontrivial) varieties of semigroups.

**Preliminaries.** First we state some definitions and results concerning vector valued groupoids induced by semigroups, considered in [3].

Let  $S=(S; \cdot)$  be a semigroup, and  $Q$  a nonempty subset of  $S$ . Define a collection of subsets  $(Q_\alpha \mid \alpha \geq 1)$  of  $S$  by:  $Q_1 = Q$ ,  $Q_{\alpha+1} = \{xy \mid x \in Q_\alpha, y \in Q\}$ . If  $n$  and  $m$  are positive integers and  $f: Q_n \rightarrow Q_m$  a mapping from  $Q_n$  into  $Q_m$ , then the ordered pair  $(Q; f)$  is called an  $(S; n, m)$ -groupoid. Then, a nonempty subset  $P$  of  $Q$  is said to be a subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  if  $f(P_n) \subseteq P_m$ , and  $P$  is called a strong subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  iff

$$(\forall a_i \in P, b_j \in Q) (f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = b_1, \dots, b_m \implies b_1, \dots, b_m \in P)$$

If  $(Q; f)$  is an  $(S; n, m)$ -groupoid and  $(Q'; f')$  is an  $(S'; n, m)$ -groupoid, then a mapping  $\phi: Q \rightarrow Q'$  is said to be a homomorphism from  $(Q; f)$  into  $(Q'; f')$  if for every  $a_i, b_j \in Q$  the equation  $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = b_1, \dots, b_m$  implies  $f'(\phi(a_1), \dots, \phi(a_n)) = \phi(b_1), \dots, \phi(b_m)$ , where  $S' = (S'; \cdot)$ . If, moreover,  $\phi$  is bijective and  $\phi^{-1}$  is a homomorphism then  $\phi$  is called an isomorphism.

We state now some results, proved in [3].

(i) A nonempty intersection of strong subgroupoids is a strong subgroupoid as well, but a nonempty intersection of subgroupoids is not necessarily a subgroupoid.

(ii) A bijective homomorphism is not necessarily an isomorphism.

(iii) A homomorphic image of a subgroupoid is a subgroupoid, but a homomorphic image of a strong subgroupoid is not necessarily a strong subgroupoid.

(iv) A complete nonempty homomorphic inverse image of a strong subgroupoid is a strong subgroupoid, but this is not true, in general, for subgroupoids.

Assume now that  $V$  is a nontrivial variety of semigroups. (By "a nontrivial" we mean that  $V$  contains objects with more than one element.) If  $Q$  is a nonempty set then we denote by  $V(Q)$  a free semigroup in  $V$  with a basis  $Q$ . Every  $(V(Q); n, m)$ -groupoid is called a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid. Here, we will write  $V_p(Q)$  instead of  $Q_p$ .

All mentioned "positive" properties for semigroup  $(n, m)$ -groupoids are, certainly, true for  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoids; nevertheless, some properties hold in the class of  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoids, which do not hold in the general case. Below we state some properties of this kind.

(i') A nonempty intersection of subgroupoids of a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$  is a subgroupoid as well. If  $P$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  and if  $P$  is not a strong one, then the strong subgroupoid generated by  $P$  coincides with  $Q$ .

(ii') A bijective homomorphism is an isomorphism. (When we say that  $\phi: (Q; f) \rightarrow (Q'; f')$  is a homomorphism then we assume that

both  $(Q;f)$  and  $(Q';f')$  are  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoids.)

The corresponding "negative" properties stated in (iii) and (iv) remains "negative", in general, in the class of  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoids as well.

It is given (in Pr. 2.6) a description of the set of varieties  $V$  for which every subgroupoid of a  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoid is a strong subgroupoid too.

In the last part of the paper, some connections between  $(W;n,m)$ -groupoids and  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoids are described, where is a nontrivial subvariety of  $V$ .

Consider some examples.

Example 1. If  $V=Sem$  is the variety of all semigroups then a  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoid is a usual  $(n,m)$ -groupoid ([2]).

Example 2. The class of fully commutative groupoids ([4]) is obtained in the case when  $V=Comsem$  is the variety of commutative semigroups.

Example 3. Let  $V=Sl$  be the variety of semilattices, i.e. idempotent and commutative semigroups, and let  $Q$  be a nonempty set. As it is well known, the semigroup  $Sl(Q)$  can be interpreted as the semigroup  $F(Q)$  of all finite nonempty subsets of  $Q$ , where the operation is the usual (set theoretical) union. Then an  $(Sl;n,m)$ -groupoid can be considered as a mapping  $f:X \rightarrow Y=f(X)$  from  $\{X \in F(Q) \mid 1 \leq |X| \leq n\}$  into  $\{Y \in F(Q) \mid 1 \leq |Y| \leq m\}$ . ( $|A|$  denotes the cardinal number of the set  $A$ .)

Example 4. Let  $V=RB$  be the variety of rectangular bands, i.e. idempotent semigroups satisfying the law  $xyz=xz$ . Then,  $V_\alpha(B) = B \times B$ , for every  $\alpha \geq 2$ , where an element  $a \in Q$  is identified by the pair  $(a,a) (=a \cdot a)$ . If  $1 \leq n,m \leq 2$  then an  $(RB;n,m)$ -groupoid is the same as an  $(n,m)$ -groupoid, according to Ex. 1. If  $n \geq 3, m=2$ , then the class of  $(RB;n,m)$ -groupoids coincides with the class of all  $(n,m)$ -groupoids which satisfy all the identities of the form

$$f(xz_1 \dots z_{n-2}y) = f(xu_1 \dots u_{n-2}y).$$

We also note that in the first three examples there are not any distinctions between subgroupoids and strong subgroupoids, but, if  $m \geq 3, Q$  is the unique strong subgroupoid of an  $(RB;n,m)$ -groupoid  $(Q;f)$ .

1. Contents in  $V(Q)$ . Further on we assume that  $V$  is a given nontrivial variety of semigroups, and  $Q$  is a given nonempty set. We will introduce here a notion of a p-content  $c_p(u)$  of an element  $u \in V_p(Q)$ .

First, let us make some remarks.

(i) Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  be a sequence of different elements of  $Q$ , and  $i_\lambda, j_\nu$  positive integers. Then

$$a_{i_1} \cdot a_{i_2} \cdot \dots \cdot a_{i_p} = a_{j_1} \cdot a_{j_2} \cdot \dots \cdot a_{j_q}$$

is an equality in  $V(Q)$  iff

$$x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_p} = x_{j_1} x_{j_2} \dots x_{j_q}$$

is an identity in  $V$ .

(ii) Let  $u \in V_p(Q)$ , where  $p \geq 1$ . We define a family  $[u;p]$  of subsets of  $Q$  as follows.

$A \in [u;p]$  iff there exist  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \in Q$  such that  $u = a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_p$  and  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p\}$ . (We note that  $\{a_1, \dots, a_p\}$  has the usual meaning, i.e.  $a \in \{a_1, \dots, a_p\} \iff (\exists j) a = a_j$ .)

Clearly we have  $ueV_p(Q) \Rightarrow [u;p] \neq \emptyset \text{ \& } 0 < |A| \leq p$   
for every  $A \in [u;p]$ .

(iii) If  $ueV_p(Q)$  then  $[u;p]$  is a family of finite subsets of  $Q$ , and thus for every  $L \in [u;p]$  there is at least one minimal element  $Me[u;p]$ .

Suppose that  $M'$  and  $M''$  are two different minimal elements of  $[u;p]$ , and let

$$u = a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_p = b_1 \cdot b_2 \cdot \dots \cdot b_p,$$

where  $M' = \{a_1, \dots, a_p\}$ ,  $M'' = \{b_1, \dots, b_p\}$ . Assume that  $b_j \notin M'$  and that  $|M''| \geq 2$ . Choose an element  $b_r \in M''$ , such that  $b_r \neq b_j$ . Define  $c_1, \dots, c_p \in Q$  by:

$$c_i = \begin{cases} b_i & \text{if } i \neq j \\ b_r & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

Then we have  $u = c_1 \cdot c_2 \cdot \dots \cdot c_p$  and  $M = \{c_1, \dots, c_p\}$  is a proper subset of  $M''$ , which is impossible. So, if  $M'' \setminus M' \neq \emptyset$  then  $|M''| = 1$ . We obtain symmetrically that  $|M'| = 1$ . Therefore, we have  $u = a^p = b^p$ , where  $a, b \in Q$ ,  $a \neq b$ ; furthermore,  $u = c^p$  for every  $c \in Q$ .

In such a way we proved the following

**Proposition 1.1.** For every positive integer  $p$  and every  $ueV_p(Q)$  the set  $[u;p]$  either contains least element  $M$  or every one element subset of  $Q$  is its minimal element.  $\blacksquare$

The last statement suggests the following definition of a  $p$ -contents  $c_p(u)$  of an element  $ueV_p(Q)$ . First we put  $c_p(u) = M$  if  $M$  is the least element of  $[u;p]$ , and  $c_p(u) = \emptyset$  iff  $|Q| \geq 2$  and all one element subsets of  $Q$  are minimal members in  $[u;p]$ .

**2. Subgroupoids.** We assume here that  $(Q;f)$  is a given  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoid.

**Proposition 2.1.** If  $\{P_i \mid i \in I\}$  is a family of subgroupoids of  $(Q;f)$  and if  $P = \bigcap \{P_i \mid i \in I\} \neq \emptyset$ , then  $P$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q;f)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in P \subseteq P_i$ , and let  $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = ueV_m(Q)$ . If  $c_m(u) = \emptyset$ , then we have  $u = a^m$  for every  $a \in P$ , and thus it remains the case when  $c_m(u) \neq \emptyset$ . The fact that  $P_i$  is a subgroupoid implies that there exist  $b_{i_1}, \dots, b_{i_m} \in P_i$  such that  $u = b_{i_1} \cdot \dots \cdot b_{i_m}$ . If  $M = c_m(u)$  then we have  $u = c_1 \cdot \dots \cdot c_m$ , where  $A = \{c_1, \dots, c_m\} \subseteq \{b_{i_1}, \dots, b_{i_m}\}$  and therefore  $M \subseteq P$ .  $\blacksquare$

**Corollary 2.2.** Every nonempty subset  $B$  of  $Q$  generates a uniquely determined subgroupoid  $\langle B \rangle$  of  $(Q;f)$ .  $\blacksquare$

Now we are going to give a suitable description of  $\langle B \rangle$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $B$  be a nonempty subset of  $Q$  and define a sequence  $(B_\alpha \mid \alpha \geq 0)$  of subsets of  $Q$  as follows:

$$B_0 = B, \quad B_{\alpha+1} = B_\alpha \cup \left( \bigcup \{c_m(f(u)) \mid ueV_n(B_\alpha)\} \right).$$

Then

$$\langle B \rangle = \bigcup \{B_\alpha \mid \alpha \geq 0\}. \quad \blacksquare$$

Consider now some connections between subgroupoids and strong subgroupoids.

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $P$  be a subgroupoid of  $Q$  which is not a strong one. If  $R$  is a strong subgroupoid of  $(Q;f)$  such that  $P \subseteq R \subseteq Q$ , then  $R = Q$ .

**Proof.** The assumption that  $P$  is a subgroupoid but not a

strong subgroupoid implies that there exists a  $u \in V_n(Q)$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_m, c_1, \dots, c_m \in Q$  such that

$$f(u) = b_1 \cdot \dots \cdot b_m = c_1 \cdot \dots \cdot c_m,$$

where  $b_j \in P$ ,  $c_k \in R$  and there is some  $i$  such that  $c_i \in R \setminus P$ . Let  $d$  be an arbitrary element of  $Q$  and define a sequence  $d_1, \dots, d_m$  by

$$d_k = \begin{cases} c_k & \text{if } k \neq i \\ d & \text{if } k = i \end{cases}$$

Then we have  $f(u) = d_1 \cdot \dots \cdot d_m$ , which implies that  $d = d_i \in R$ , i.e.  $Q = R$ .  $\times$

If  $B$  is a nonempty subset of  $Q$  then we denote by  $\langle B \rangle_s$  the strong subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  generated by  $B$ . (The existence of  $\langle B \rangle_s$  follows from the fact that a nonempty intersection of strong subgroupoids is a strong subgroupoid as well.)

**Corollary 2.5.** For every nonempty subset  $B$  of  $Q$  we have  $\langle B \rangle_s = \langle B \rangle$  or  $\langle B \rangle_s = Q$ .  $\times$

Now we will describe the set of varieties  $V$  of semigroups for which there are not any differences between subgroupoids and strong subgroupoids.

Let us say that  $V$  is m-regular iff for every nonempty set  $Q$  and any element  $u \in V_m(Q) \mid [u; m] = 1$ . In other words, if  $a_1, b_j \in Q$  are such that

$$u = a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_m = b_1 \cdot \dots \cdot b_m$$

then  $(b_1, \dots, b_m)$  is a permutation of  $(a_1, \dots, a_m)$ .

**Proposition 2.6.** The following two conditions are equivalent

(a)  $V$  is m-regular.

(b) For every  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$  each subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  is a strong subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  as well.

**Proof.** Let  $V$  be m-regular and let  $P$  be a subgroupoid of a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$ . Let  $u \in V_n(P)$  and  $f(u) = a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_m$ , where  $a_1 \in Q$ . The fact that  $P$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  implies that  $f(u) = b_1 \cdot \dots \cdot b_m$ , for some  $b_j \in P$ . Thus, we have  $a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_m = b_1 \cdot \dots \cdot b_m$ , and from m-regularity of  $V$  we obtain that  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in P$ . Hence,  $P$  is a strong subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$ .

Assume now that  $V$  is not m-regular. Let  $Q$  be a set with at least  $m$  elements. The assumption that  $V$  is not m-regular implies that there exist  $a_i, b_j \in Q$  such that  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_m\} \subsetneq \{b_1, \dots, b_m\}$  and  $a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_m = b_1 \cdot \dots \cdot b_m$  in  $V(Q)$ .

Define a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$  by  $f(u) = a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_m$  for every  $u \in V_n(Q)$ . Then  $A$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$ , but it is not a strong one.  $\times$

Certainly, Pr. 2.6 does not mean that if  $V$  is not m-regular then the set of strong subgroupoids of a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$  is a proper subset of the set of subgroupoids of  $(Q; f)$ . As an illustration, consider the following

**Example 2.7.** Let  $m \geq 3$  and let  $V = RB$  be the variety of rectangular bands. Let  $Q$  be an arbitrary set and  $f: V_n(Q) \rightarrow V_m(Q)$  be defined by  $f(u) = a^m$  ( $= a$  where  $a$  is a fixed element of  $Q$ ). Then every subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  is a strong subgroupoid as well. (Namely,  $P$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  iff  $a \in P$ .)

**3. Homomorphisms and congruences.** First we note that in the case of  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoids the definition of a homomorphism can be restated as follows.

**Proposition 3.1.** If  $(Q;f)$  and  $(Q';f')$  are  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoids then a mapping  $\phi:Q \rightarrow Q'$  is a homomorphism iff

$$\phi_m f = f' \phi_n \quad (3.1)$$

**Proof.** We have only to explain what are the meanings of  $\phi_m, \phi_n$  in (3.1). First, the mapping  $\phi:Q \rightarrow Q'$  induces a unique homomorphism  $\tilde{\phi}:V(Q) \rightarrow V(Q')$  such that  $\tilde{\phi}(V_\alpha(Q))=V_\alpha(Q')$ , for every  $\alpha \geq 1$ . Then we denote by  $\phi_\alpha:V_\alpha(Q) \rightarrow V_\alpha(Q')$  the corresponding restriction of  $\tilde{\phi}$ .  $\times$

**Proposition 3.2.** If  $\alpha:Q \rightarrow Q'$  is a bijective homomorphism then it is an isomorphism.

**Proof.** If  $\phi:Q \rightarrow Q'$  is bijective, then  $\tilde{\phi}$  is an isomorphism and  $\phi_\alpha:V_\alpha(Q) \rightarrow V_\alpha(Q')$  is bijective as well, and  $(\phi^{-1})_\alpha = (\phi_\alpha)^{-1}$ . Then we have

$$(\phi^{-1})_m f' = (\phi^{-1})_m (f' \phi_n) (\phi_n)^{-1} = (\phi^{-1})_m \phi_m f (\phi_n)^{-1} = f (\phi^{-1})_n. \quad \times$$

We mentioned in Preliminaries that a homomorphic image of a subgroupoid is a subgroupoid, and that a complete inverse homomorphic image of a strong subgroupoid is a strong subgroupoid. The converse assertions are not true generally, as it show the following examples.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $(\tilde{Q};f)$  be a  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoid containing a subgroupoid  $P$  which is not a strong one, and let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f$  on  $P$ . Then  $P$  is a strong subgroupoid of  $(P;g)$  and the embedding mapping from  $P$  into  $Q$  is a homomorphism such that  $P$  is a homomorphic image of a strong subgroupoid of  $(P;g)$ , but  $P$  is not strong in  $(Q;f)$ .

**Example 3.4.** Let  $V$  be the variety of commutative semigroups which satisfies the identity  $x^2=y^2$ , where  $x,y$  are different variables. If  $Q=\{a,b,c\}$  and  $Q'=\{\alpha,\beta\}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} V_4(Q) &= \{a^4, a^3b, a^3c, b^3c\}, & V_2(Q) &= \{a^2, ab, ac, bc\}, \\ V_4(Q') &= \{\alpha^4, \alpha^3\beta\}, & V_2(Q') &= \{\alpha^2, \alpha\beta\}. \end{aligned}$$

Define  $(V;4,2)$ -groupoids  $(Q;f)$  and  $(Q';f')$  by

$$f(u) = bc, \quad f'(u') = \alpha^2,$$

for every  $u \in V_4(Q)$ ,  $u' \in V_4(Q')$ .

Then the mappings

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ \alpha & \beta & \beta \end{pmatrix}, \quad \psi = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ \alpha & \alpha & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

are homomorphisms from  $(Q;f)$  into  $(Q';f')$ . The set  $A'=\{\alpha\}$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q';f')$ , but  $A=\{a\}=\phi^{-1}(A')$  is not a subgroupoid of  $(Q;f)$ . Furthermore,  $A=\{a\}$  is a generating subset of  $(Q;f)$ , and  $\phi, \psi$  are different homomorphisms which extend the mapping  $a \mapsto \alpha$  from  $A$  into  $Q'$ .

It is natural to define congruences as follows. Let  $(Q;f)$  be a  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoid and  $\rho$  an equivalence on  $Q$ . We say that  $\rho$  is a congruence on  $(Q;f)$  iff there is a homomorphism  $\phi:(Q;f) \rightarrow (Q';f')$ , where  $(Q';f')$  is a  $(V;n,m)$ -groupoid, such that  $\rho = \ker \phi$ , i.e.  $a \rho b \iff \phi(a) = \phi(b)$ .

Let  $(Q;f), (Q';f'), \phi, \rho$  be as above. Then  $P'=\phi(Q)$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q';f')$  and  $\phi$  induces a unique surjective homomorphism  $\psi:(Q;f) \rightarrow (P';g')$ , where  $g'$  is the restriction of  $f'$  on  $P'$ . Moreover, we have  $\ker \psi = \rho = \ker \phi$ . Thus, we can assume that  $\phi$  is surjective. Then  $\bar{\phi}:\bar{a} \mapsto \phi(a)$  is bijective mapping from  $\bar{Q}=Q/\rho$  onto  $Q'=\phi(Q)$ , where

$$\bar{a} = \{b \in Q \mid a \rho b\} = \{b \in Q \mid \phi(a) = \phi(b)\}.$$

This implies that if we define  $\bar{f}:V_n(\bar{Q}) \rightarrow V_m(\bar{Q})$  by

$$\bar{f}(\bar{a}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{a}_n) = \bar{b}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{b}_m \iff f'(\phi(a_1) \cdot \dots \cdot \phi(a_n)) = \phi(b_1) \cdot \dots \cdot \phi(b_m) \quad (3.2)$$

then we obtain a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(\bar{Q}; \bar{f})$  such that  $\bar{\phi}: \bar{a} \mapsto \phi(a)$  is an isomorphism from  $(\bar{Q}; \bar{f})$  onto  $(Q'; f')$ .

Now we will give another characterization of congruences.

**Proposition 3.5.** Let  $(Q; f)$  be a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid and  $\rho$  an equivalence on  $Q$  such that

$$f(a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n) = b_1 \cdot \dots \cdot b_m, \quad f(c_1 \cdot \dots \cdot c_n) = d_1 \cdot \dots \cdot d_m \text{ in } (Q; f) \quad (3.3)$$

$$\text{and} \quad \bar{a}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{a}_n = \bar{c}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{c}_n \text{ in } V(\bar{Q}) \quad (3.4)$$

$$\text{implies} \quad \bar{b}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{b}_m = \bar{d}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{d}_m \text{ in } V(\bar{Q}), \quad (3.5)$$

where  $\bar{Q} = Q/\rho$ ,  $\bar{a} = \{b \in Q \mid a \rho b\}$ .

Then  $\rho$  is a congruence on  $(Q; f)$ . Conversely, if  $\rho$  is a congruence on  $(Q; f)$  then every implication  $(3.3) \& (3.4) \implies (3.5)$  holds.

**Proof.** Assume that  $\phi: (Q; f) \rightarrow (Q'; f')$  is a surjective homomorphism such that  $\rho = \ker \phi$ , and denote by  $\bar{\phi}$  the corresponding isomorphism from  $(\bar{Q}; \bar{f})$  into  $(Q'; f')$ .

If (3.3) holds in  $(Q; f)$  then we have (in  $(Q'; f')$ ):

$$f'(\phi(a_1) \cdot \dots \cdot \phi(a_n)) = \phi(b_1) \cdot \dots \cdot \phi(b_m),$$

$$\text{and therefore} \quad f'(\phi(c_1) \cdot \dots \cdot \phi(c_n)) = \phi(d_1) \cdot \dots \cdot \phi(d_m)$$

$$\bar{f}(\bar{a}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{a}_n) = \bar{b}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{b}_m, \quad \bar{f}(\bar{c}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{c}_n) = \bar{d}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{d}_m$$

in  $(\bar{Q}; \bar{f})$ . Assuming that (3.4) is satisfied, we obtain (3.5).

Conversely, assume that  $\rho$  is an equivalence on  $Q$  such that every implication  $(3.3) \& (3.4) \implies (3.5)$  holds.

If  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in Q$  and  $f(a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n) = b_1 \cdot \dots \cdot b_m$  in  $(Q; f)$ , then we define  $\bar{f}(\bar{a}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{a}_n)$  by

$$\bar{f}(\bar{a}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{a}_n) = \bar{b}_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \bar{b}_m.$$

It follows from  $(3.3) \& (3.4) \implies (3.5)$  that  $\bar{f}$  is well defined, i.e. we obtain a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(\bar{Q}; \bar{f})$ . Clearly,  $\bar{\phi}: a \mapsto \bar{a}$  is a homomorphism from  $(Q; f)$  onto  $(\bar{Q}; \bar{f})$  and  $\rho = \ker \bar{\phi}$ , i.e.  $\rho$  is a congruence.  $\times$

(We remark that the above definition and Pr. 3.5 imply that the well known isomorphism theorems ([1]) holds.)

**4. Induced  $(W; n, m)$ -groupoids.** We assume here that  $W$  is a non-trivial subvariety of a variety  $V$ . Note that  $W(Q) \in V$  for any non-empty set  $Q$ , which implies that there is a uniquely determined homomorphism  $\pi: V(Q) \rightarrow W(Q)$  with the property  $\pi(a) = a$  for all  $a \in Q$ . Moreover, for each positive integer  $p$ ,  $\pi(V_p(Q)) = W_p(Q)$  and this implies that  $\pi$  induces a surjective mapping  $\pi_p: V_p(Q) \rightarrow W_p(Q)$ .

We say that a  $(W; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; g)$  is induced by a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$  iff the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_n(Q) & \xrightarrow{f} & V_m(Q) \\ \downarrow \pi_n & & \downarrow \pi_m \\ W_n(Q) & \xrightarrow{g} & W_m(Q) \end{array}$$

An obvious consequence from this definition is

**Proposition 4.1.** If  $(Q; f)$  is a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid then there exists at most one  $(W; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; g)$  which is induced by  $(Q; f)$ . Such a  $(W; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; g)$  do exist iff  $(Q; f)$  satisfies the following condition:

$$(\forall u, v \in V(Q)) (\pi_n(u) = \pi_n(v) \implies \pi_m f(u) = \pi_m f(v)). \quad \times \quad (4.1)$$

If a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$  satisfies (4.1) then we say that it admits weakly  $W$ . And  $(Q; f)$  will be called a  $W$ -( $V; n, m$ )-groupoid iff the following statement holds:

$$(\forall u, v \in V(Q)) (\pi_n(u) = \pi_n(v) \implies f(u) = f(v)). \quad (4.1')$$

**Proposition 4.2.** A  $(W; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; g)$  is induced by at least one  $W$ -( $V; n, m$ )-groupoid  $(Q; f)$ .

**Proof.** If  $u \in W_n(Q)$  then  $\pi_n^{-1}(u) \in V_n(Q)$ ,  $\pi_n^{-1}(g(u)) \in V_m(Q)$ .

If  $f: V_n(Q) \rightarrow V_m(Q)$  is such that for every  $x \in V_n(Q)$  we have  $f(x) \in \pi_m^{-1}(g(\pi_n(x)))$  then we obtain a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$  which induces  $(Q; g)$ . Certainly, we can define  $f$  in such a way that it satisfies (4.1'). Namely, let  $h: W_n(Q) \rightarrow V_m(Q)$  be such that  $h(u) \in \pi_m^{-1}g(u)$  for every  $u \in W_n(Q)$ . Now, if we define  $f: V_n(Q) \rightarrow V_m(Q)$  by  $f = h\pi_n$ , then we will obtain a  $W$ -( $V; n, m$ )-groupoid  $(Q; f)$  which induces  $(Q; g)$ .  $\blacksquare$

The following statements are also clear.

**Proposition 4.3.** Let  $(Q; g)$  be a  $(W; n, m)$ -groupoid which is induced by a  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoid  $(Q; f)$ . Then:

(a) If  $P$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$  then  $P$  is a subgroupoid of  $(Q; g)$ .

(b) If  $\rho$  is a congruence on  $(Q; f)$  then  $\rho$  is a congruence on  $(Q; g)$ .  $\blacksquare$

**Proposition 4.4.** Let  $(Q; f)$  and  $(Q'; f')$  be  $(V; n, m)$ -groupoids and let  $(Q; g)$ ,  $(Q'; g')$  be  $(W; n, m)$ -groupoids such that  $(Q; g)$  is induced by  $(Q; f)$  and  $(Q'; g')$  is induced by  $(Q'; f')$ . If  $\phi: Q \rightarrow Q'$  is a homomorphism from  $(Q; f)$  into  $(Q'; f')$  then it is a homomorphism from  $(Q; g)$  into  $(Q'; g')$  as well.  $\blacksquare$

The following example shows that Pr. 4.3 (a), in general, does not hold for strong subgroupoids.

**Example 4.5.** Let  $Q = \{a, b\}$  and let  $f: Q \rightarrow Q^3$  be defined by  $f(a) = f(b) = (a, a, a)$ . Define a mapping  $g: RB(Q) = Q \rightarrow RB_3(Q)$  by  $g(a) = g(b) = a$ . Then  $(Q; f)$  is a  $(Sem; 1, 3)$ -groupoid and  $(Q; g)$  is a  $(RB; 1, 3)$ -groupoid induced by  $(Q; f)$ .  $A = \{a\}$  is a strong subgroupoid of  $(Q; f)$ , but  $A$  is not a strong subgroupoid of  $(Q; g)$ .

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#### ВЕКТОРСКО ВРЕДНОСНИ ГРУПОИДИ ИНДУЦИРАНИ ОД МНОГУОБРАЗИЈА ОД ПОЛУГРУПИ Резиме

Векторско вредносните групоици индуцирани од полугрупи се разгледуваат во трудот [3]. Овде се разгледуваат истите прашања како и во претходно споменатиот труд со тоа што полугрупите се од дадено многуобразије од полугрупи. Се покажува дека некои резултати што не важат во општиот случај важат во вака извршената рестрикција.