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## ON SOME CLOSURE OPERATORS ON SEMIGROUPS

1. Introduction

In papers [1] and [2] some closure operators on semigroups were studied. In this article some other closure operators on semigroups are introduced, using nilpotency in semigroups. We study topologies, induced on a semigroup by these closure operators and characterize some classes of semigroups by means of these notions.

Let  $S$  be a semigroup and  $U:2^S \rightarrow 2^S$ . The mapping  $U$  is called a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski if the following conditions hold for  $M, M_1, M_2 \subseteq S$ :

$$M \subseteq U(M),$$

$$U(\emptyset) = \emptyset,$$

$$U(U(M)) = U(M),$$

$$U(M_1 \cup M_2) = U(M_1) \cup U(M_2).$$

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$$\text{if } M_1 \subseteq M_2, \text{ then } U(M_1) \subseteq U(M_2).$$

We mention that if  $U$  is a closure operation in sense of Kuratowski, then it is closure operation in sense of Čech. In fact if  $M_1 \subseteq M_2$ , then  $M_1 \cup M_2 = M_2$  and this implies that  $U(M_2) = U(M_1 \cup M_2) \supseteq U(M_1)$ .

Let  $S$  be a semigroup,  $M \subseteq S$ . We denote

$$N_1(M) = \{x \in S \mid x^n \in M \text{ for almost all } n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}\},$$

$$N_2(M) = \{x \in S \mid x^n \in M \text{ for infinitely many } n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}\},$$

$N_3(M) = \{x \in S \mid x^n \in M \text{ for at least one } n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}\}.$

In paper [2] it was shown, that the mapping

$$N_3: 2^S \rightarrow 2^S, M \mapsto N_3(M)$$

is closure operation in sense of Kuratowski. The open sets in the topology induced by  $N_3$  on  $S$  are exactly those subsets of  $S$ , that are unions of some systems of subsemigroups of  $S$ , and the empty set. The system  $\Sigma_3(S) = \{\langle a \rangle \mid a \in S\}$ , where  $\langle a \rangle$  is a cyclic semigroup generated by  $a$ , is the complete system of neighborhoods for this topology.

In paper [3] was proved, that the following relations hold for  $M, M_1, M_2 \subseteq S$ :

- (i)  $N_1(M) \subseteq N_2(M) \subseteq N_3(M),$
- (ii) if  $M_1 \subseteq M_2$ , then  $N_i(M_1) \subseteq N_i(M_2)$  for  $i=1, 2, 3,$
- (iii)  $N_2(M_1 \cup M_2) = N_2(M_1) \cup N_2(M_2).$

## 2. The closure operation $U_2$

Let  $U_2: 2^S \rightarrow 2^S, U_2(M) = N_2(M) \cup M.$

**Theorem 1.**  $U_2$  is a closure operation in sense of Kuratowski.

**Proof.** It is clear, that

- a)  $M \subseteq U_2(M)$  and b)  $U_2(\emptyset) = \emptyset.$
- c)  $U_2(U_2(M)) = U_2(N_2(M) \cup M) = N_2(N_2(M) \cup M) \cup N_2(M) \cup M = N_2(N_2(M)) \cup N_2(M) \cup M \subseteq N_2(M) \cup M = U_2(M),$  hence  $U_2(U_2(M)) \subseteq U_2(M).$   
From a) we get  $U_2(M) \subseteq U_2(U_2(M)).$  Therefore  $U_2(U_2(M)) = U_2(M).$
- d)  $U_2(M_1 \cup M_2) = N_1(M_1 \cup M_2) \cup M_1 \cup M_2 = N_1(M_1) \cup N_2(M_2) \cup M_1 \cup M_2 = U_2(M_1) \cup U_2(M_2).$  Hence  $U_2(M_1 \cup M_2) = U_2(M_1) \cup U_2(M_2).$

**Theorem 2.**  $M$  is closed subset of  $S$  iff  $N_2(M) \subseteq M.$

**Proof.**  $U_2(M) = M \iff N_2(M) \cup M = M \iff N_2(M) \subseteq M.$

**Theorem 3.**  $M$  is an open subset of  $S$  iff  $M \subseteq N_1(M).$

**Proof.**  $M$  is open iff  $CM$  is closed and this holds iff  $N_2(CM) \subseteq CM.$

Let  $N_2(CM) \subseteq CM.$  Then every element  $x$  having infinitely

many powers  $x^n$  in CM belongs to CM. Hence for every element  $x \in M$  almost all powers  $x^n$  belong to M. (Otherwise infinitely many powers  $x^n$  would belong to CM, and therefore  $x \in CM$  would hold.) Hence  $M \subseteq N_1(M)$ .

Now let  $M \subseteq N_1(M)$ . Then all elements  $x \in M$  have almost all powers  $x^n$  in M. Therefore if  $x \in N_2(CM)$  i.e. infinitely many powers  $x^n$  belong to CM, then  $x \in M$ . (If  $x \in M$  would hold, then almost all powers  $x^n$  would belong to M and almost all powers  $x^n$  could not belong to CM.) Hence  $x \in N_2(CM)$ , implies  $x \in CM$  i.e.  $N_2(CM) \subseteq CM$ .

Let  $a \in S$ . Let  $G_{n_0}(a) = \{a^n | n \geq n_0, n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}\}$  for all  $n_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ . Then  $O_{n_0}(a) = \{a\} \cup G_{n_0}(a)$  is a neighborhood of a for all  $n_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ , because evidently

$$\{a\} \cup G_{n_0}(a) \subseteq N_1(\{a\} \cup G_{n_0}(a)).$$

Let  $a \in S$ , and a be of finite order. Then  $\langle a \rangle = P(a) \cup G(a)$ , where  $G(a)$  is the maximal subgroup in  $\langle a \rangle$  and  $P(a) = \langle a \rangle \setminus G(a)$ .

$O_0(a) = \{a\} \cup G(a)$  is a neighborhood of a, because  $\{a\} \cup G(a) \subseteq N_1(\{a\} \cup G(a))$ .  $O_0(a)$  is clearly the smallest neighborhood of a.

**Theorem 4.** The system  $\sum_2(S) = \{O_0(a) | a \in S, a \text{ is of finite order}\} \cup \{O_{n_0}(a) | a \in S, a \text{ is of infinite order, } n_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots\}\}$  is the complete system of neighborhoods for the topology, generated on S by the closure operation  $U_2$ .

**Proof.** Let M be an open subset of S and  $a \in M$ . Since M is an open set,  $a \in M \subseteq N_1(M)$  holds i.e. almost all powers  $a^n$  belong to M. Hence there exists an  $n_0$  such that  $a^n \in M$  holds for all  $n \geq n_0$ . This means, that  $O_{n_0}(a) = \{a\} \cup G_{n_0}(a) \subseteq M$ .

If a is of finite order, then  $O_0(a) = \{a\} \cup G(a) \subseteq M$ .

Every open set M is therefore a union of some sets of  $\sum_2(S)$ . This proves our Theorem.

**Lemma 1.** Let  $a \in S$ ,  $\langle a \rangle = G(a)$  and the cyclic group  $\langle a \rangle$  generated by a be of higher order than 2. Then  $a^{-1} \neq a$  and  $O_0(a) = O_0(a^{-1})$ .

**Proof.** Under these conditions  $P(a) = \emptyset$ . Let e be the iden-

tity of  $G(a)$ . Evidently  $a \neq e$ ,  $a^2 \neq e$  (in other cases either  $|\langle a \rangle| = 1$  or  $|\langle a \rangle| = 2$  would hold).

Hence  $a^n = e$  ( $n > 2$ ). Therefore  $a^{-1} = a^{n-1} \neq a$ . But both  $a$  and  $a^{-1}$  generate  $\langle a \rangle$ . This means, that

$$O_0(a) = G(a) = \langle a \rangle = G(a^{-1}) = O_0(a^{-1}), \text{ where } a \neq a^{-1}.$$

**Lemma 2.** Let  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a \neq b$ . Let  $a$  be of infinite order and  $b$  be of finite order. Then  $O_1(a) \cap O_0(b) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** Clearly  $\langle a \rangle \cap \langle b \rangle = \emptyset$ . But since  $O_1(a) \leq \langle a \rangle$  and  $O_0(b) \leq \langle b \rangle$  we get  $O_1(a) \cap O_0(b) = \emptyset$ .

**Lemma 3.** Let  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a \neq b$  and  $a$  and  $b$  be of infinite order. Then the following relations hold:

a) there exist  $m_0$  and  $n_0$  such that  $b \notin O_{m_0}(a)$  and  $a \notin O_{n_0}(b)$ ,

b) If  $b \in \langle a \rangle$ , then  $O_{m_0}(a) \cap O_{n_0}(b) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $m_0$  and  $n_0$ .

**Proof.** a) If  $b \notin \langle a \rangle$  and  $a \notin \langle b \rangle$ , then  $b \notin O_1(a) = \langle a \rangle$  and  $a \notin O_1(b) = \langle b \rangle$ .

If  $b \in \langle a \rangle$ , then  $b = a^k$  ( $k > 1$ ). For  $m_0 > k$  we get  $b = a^k \notin O_{m_0}(a) = \{a^m \mid m \geq m_0\} \cup \{a\}$ . Moreover  $a \notin O_1(b) = O_1(a^k) = \{a^k\} \cup \{a^{kn} \mid n \geq 1\} = \langle a \rangle$ .

b) We have again  $b = a^k$  ( $k > 1$ ). Let  $O_{m_0}(a) = \{a\} \cup \{a^m \mid m \geq m_0\}$ ,  $O_{n_0}(b) = O_{n_0}(a^k) = \{a^k\} \cup \{a^{kn} \mid n \geq n_0\}$ . If we choose  $n \geq n_0$  such that  $kn \geq m_0$ , then  $a^{kn} \in O_{m_0}(a)$  and  $a^{kn} \in O_{n_0}(b)$ . Hence  $O_{m_0}(a) \cap O_{n_0}(b) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Lemma 4.** Let  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a \neq b$  and  $a$  and  $b$  be of finite order. Let  $\langle a \rangle$  and  $\langle b \rangle$  be not groups of order higher than 2. Then either  $a \notin O_0(b)$  or  $b \notin O_0(a)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $b \notin \langle a \rangle$  and  $a \notin \langle b \rangle$ . Then  $a \notin O_0(b) \leq \langle b \rangle$  and  $b \notin O_0(a) \leq \langle a \rangle$ .

Let  $b \in \langle a \rangle$  and  $a \notin G(a)$ . Then  $b = a^k$  ( $k > 1$ ),  $O_0(b) = O_0(a^k) = \{a^k\} \cup G(a^k) \leq \{a^k\} \cup G(a)$ . Therefore  $a \notin O_0(b)$ .

Now let  $b \in \langle a \rangle$  and  $a \in G(a)$ . Then  $|\langle a \rangle| = 2$ ,  $b = e$ , where  $e$  is the identity of  $G(a)$ . Therefore  $a \notin \{e\} = O_0(e) = O_0(b)$ .

**Lemma 5.** Let  $a \in S$ ,  $a$  be of finite order and let  $|\langle a \rangle| > 1$ . Let  $b \in G(a)$  and  $b \neq a$ . Then  $b \in O_0(a)$ .

**Proof.** If  $b \in G(a)$ , then  $b \in \{a\} \cup G(a) = O_0(a)$ .

**Lemma 6.** Let  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a \neq b$  and  $a$  and  $b$  be idempotents. Then  $O_0(a) \cap O_0(b) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** It is sufficient to observe, that  $O_0(a) = \{a\}$  and  $O_0(b) = \{b\}$ .

From these lemmas we get the following Theorems.

**Theorem 5.** The topology induced on  $S$  by  $U_2$  is a  $T_0$ -topology iff all finite cyclic subgroups of  $S$  are at most of order 2.

**Proof.** If the topology induced by  $U_2$  on  $S$  is a  $T_0$ -topology, then by Lemma 1, all finite cyclic subgroups of  $S$  are at most of order 2. The second part of the proof follows from Lemma 2., 3. and 4.

**Theorem 6.** The topology induced on  $S$  by  $U_2$  is a  $T_1$ -topology if all elements of finite order of  $S$  are idempotents.

**Proof.** If the topology induced by  $U_2$  on  $S$  is a  $T_1$ -topology, then by Lemma 5, for every element of finite order  $|\langle a \rangle| = 1$ . This means, that every element of finite order is an idempotent. The second part of the proof follows from Lemma 2., 3. and 6.

**Theorem 7.** The topology induced by  $U_2$  on  $S$  is a  $T_2$ -topology iff all elements of  $S$  are idempotents.

**Proof.** If the topology induced by  $U_2$  on  $S$  is a  $T_2$ -topology, then by Lemma 3, the semigroup  $S$  contains only elements of finite order and by Lemma 5, it contains only idempotents. The second part of the proof follows from Lemma 6.

**Theorem 8.**  $U_2 = N_3$  iff every cyclic subsemigroup of  $S$  is either a cyclic group or a cyclic semigroup  $\langle a \rangle$  such that  $|P(a)| = 1$ .

**Proof.** Comparing the complete systems of neighborhoods, we get that  $S$  does not contain elements of infinite order and

that  $\langle a \rangle = \{a\} \cup G(a)$ .

### 3. The closure operation $U_1$

Let  $U_1: 2^S \rightarrow 2^S$ ,  $U_1(M) = M \cup N_1(M)$ .

**Lemma 7.** For all  $M, M_1, M_2 \subseteq S$ , the following hold  
 $M \subseteq U_1(M)$ ,  
 $U_1(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ ,  
if  $M_1 \subseteq M_2$ , then  $U_1(M_1) \subseteq U_1(M_2)$ .

**Proof.** The first two relations are evident. The third statement follows from the fact, that if  $M_1 \subseteq M_2$ , then  $N_1(M) \subseteq N_2(M)$ .

**Lemma 8.** If  $U_1$  is a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Čech, then  $S$  is a periodic semigroup.

**Proof.** Let  $S$  contain an element  $a$  of infinite order. Let  
 $M = \langle a \rangle \setminus (\{a\} \cup \{a^p \mid p \text{ is a prime}\})$ .  
Then  $a \notin M$ ,  $a \notin N_1(M)$ , hence  $a \notin U_1(M)$ .

On the other hand  $\langle a \rangle \setminus \{a\} \subseteq U_1(M)$ . Therefore  $a \in N_1(U_1(M))$ , hence  $a \in U_1(M) \cup N_1(U_1(M)) = U_1(U_1(M))$ .

We have obtained that  $a \notin U_1(M)$  but  $a \in U_1(U_1(M))$ . The equality  $U_1(U_1(M)) = U_1(M)$  does not hold, i.e.  $U_1$  is not a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Čech.

**Lemma 9.** Let  $S$  be a periodic semigroup. Let  $M \subseteq S$ . Then  $x \in U_1(M) = M \cup N_1(M)$  iff either  $x \in M$  or  $G(x) \subseteq M$ .

**Proof.** Evidently  $x \in N_1(M)$  iff  $G(x) \subseteq M$ . To end the proof it is sufficient to use the equality  $U_1(M) = M \cup N_1(M)$ .

**Theorem 9.**  $U_1$  is a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Čech, iff  $S$  is a periodic semigroup.

**Proof.** By Lemma 8. if  $U_1$  is a closure operation in sense of Čech, then  $S$  is a periodic semigroup.

Now we shall prove the converse statement.

Let  $S$  be an arbitrary semigroup and  $M, M_1, M_2 \subseteq S$ . Then  $M \subseteq M \cup N_1(M) = U_1(M)$  and  $M_1 \subseteq M_2 \Rightarrow N_1(M_1) \subseteq N_1(M_2)$ . Therefore  $U_1(M) \subseteq U_1(U_1(M))$ .

We shall prove, that in a periodic semigroup  $S$  also the converse inclusion holds.

Let  $S$  be a periodic semigroup. If  $x \in S$ , then  $x$  is of finite order.

If  $x \in U_1(U_1(M))$ , then either  $x \in U_1(M)$  or  $G(x) \subseteq U_1(M)$ .

Let  $G(x) \subseteq U_1(M)$ . Then for every  $y \in G(x)$  either  $y \in M$  or  $G(y) \subseteq M$ . But  $G(x)$  is a finite cyclic group and  $y \in G(x)$ . Therefore  $y \in \langle y \rangle = G(y) \subseteq M$ . Hence  $y \in G(x)$  implies  $y \in M$ . This means that  $G(x) \subseteq M$ . But then  $x \in U_1(M)$ .

We have proved, that if  $x \in U_1(U_1(M))$ , then  $x \in U_1(M)$  i.e.  $U_1(U_1(M)) \subseteq U_1(M)$  and this, together with the inclusion  $U_1(M) \subseteq U_1(U_1(M))$  gives the equality  $U_1(U_1(M)) = U_1(M)$ .

This result together with Lemma 7 means that if  $S$  is a periodic semigroup, then  $U_1$  is a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Čech.

**Theorem 10.** Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Čech. Then a set  $M \subseteq S$  is closed iff  $N_1(M) \subseteq M$ .

**Proof.**  $M$  is a closed set iff  $M = U_1(M)$  i.e. iff  $M = M \cup N_1(M)$  and this holds iff  $N_1(M) \subseteq M$ .

**Theorem 11.** Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Čech. Then a set  $M \subseteq S$  is an open set iff  $M \subseteq N_2(M)$ .

**Proof.**  $M$  is open iff  $CM$  is closed and this holds iff  $N_1(CM) \subseteq CM$ .

Let  $N_1(CM) \subseteq CM$ . Then every element  $x$  having almost all powers  $x^n$  in  $CM$  belongs to  $CM$ . Therefore every element  $x \in M$  has infinitely many powers  $x^n$  in  $M$  (if not, then  $x$  would be a member of  $CM$ ). This means, that  $M \subseteq N_2(M)$ .

Now let  $M \subseteq N_2(M)$ . Then every element  $x \in M$  has infinitely many powers  $x^n$  in  $M$ . Therefore every element  $x$  having almost all powers  $x^n$  in  $CM$  belongs to  $CM$ . This means, that  $N_1(CM) \subseteq CM$ .

**Lemma 10.** Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski. Then  $S$  is a periodic semigroup.

The proof follows from Lemma 8. and from the fact, that  $U_1$  is a closure operation in sense of Čech.

**Lemma 11.** If  $U_1$  is a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski, then for every  $a \in S$  such that  $a$  is of finite order and  $a \notin G(a)$  we have  $|G(a)|=1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $a \in S$ ,  $a$  be of finite order,  $a \notin G(a)$ ,  $a^i \neq a^k$ ,  $a^i, a^k \in G(a)$  i.e.  $|G(a)| > 1$ . Then  $M_1 = \{a, a^i\}$  and  $M_2 = \{a, a^k\}$  are open sets (Theorem 11.), but  $M_1 \cap M_2 = \{a\}$  is not an open set (by Theorem 11.). This is a contradiction to the fact, that  $U_1$  is a closure operation.

The foregoing lemmas imply the following theorem.

**Theorem 12.** Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski. Then  $S$  is a periodic semigroup and for every element  $a$  such that  $a \notin G(a)$ ,  $|G(a)|=1$  holds.

**Theorem 13.** Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Čech. Then  $\Sigma_1(S) = \{\{a\} | a \in G(a), a \in S\} \cup \{\{a, a^k\} | a \notin G(a), a^k \in G(a), a \in S\}$  is a complete system of neighbourhoods of the topology induced on  $S$  by  $U_1$ .

**Proof.** If  $a \in G(a)$ , then  $\{a\}$  is an open set, that contains  $a$ , hence  $\{a\}$  is a neighborhood of  $a$ .

If  $a \notin G(a)$ ,  $a^k \in G(a)$ , then  $\{a, a^k\}$  is an open set containing  $a$ , hence  $\{a, a^k\}$  is a neighborhood of  $a$ .

On the other hand, let  $M$  be an open set and  $a \in M$ . By Theorem 9,  $S$  is a periodic semigroup, therefore the element  $a$  is of finite order.

If  $a \notin G(a)$ , then since  $M$  is an open set and  $a \in M$ , there exist infinitely many powers  $a^n$  belonging to  $M$ , i.e. there exists a power  $a^k$  such that  $a^k \in G(a)$  and  $a^k \in M$ . Therefore  $\{a, a^k\} \subseteq M$ , where  $a^k \in G(a)$ .

If  $a \in G(a)$  and  $a \in M$ , then  $\{a\} \subseteq M$ , where  $a \in G(a)$ .

This implies, that every open subset of  $S$  is a union of some subsystem of the system  $\Sigma_1(S)$ . Therefore  $\Sigma_1(S)$  is a complete system of neighborhoods of the topology, induced on  $S$  by  $U_1$ .

**Theorem 14.** Let  $S$  be a periodic semigroup and for every element  $a \in S$  such that  $a \notin G(a)$  let  $|G(a)|=1$ . Then  $U_1$  is a



closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski.

**Proof.** In view of Theorem 9, it is sufficient to show, that  $U_1(M_1 \cup M_2) = U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2)$ .

a)  $M_1 \subseteq M_2 \cup M_2 \Rightarrow U_1(M_1) \subseteq U_1(M_1 \cup M_2)$ ,  
 $M_2 \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2 \Rightarrow U_1(M_2) \subseteq U_1(M_1 \cup M_2)$ .

Hence

$$U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2) \subseteq U_1(M_1 \cup M_2).$$

b) Let  $x \in U_1(M_1 \cup M_2)$ . Then either  $x \in M_1 \cup M_2$  or  $G(x) \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2$ .  
 If  $x \in M_1 \cup M_2$ , then either  $x \in M_1$  or  $x \in M_2$ . Hence either  $x \in U_1(M_1)$  or  $x \in U_1(M_2)$ . In both cases  $x \in U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2)$ .

If  $x \in G(x) \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2$ , then  $x \in M_1 \cup M_2$  and we again have that  $x \in U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2)$ .

If  $x \notin G(x)$ , then  $G(x) = \{x^k\} \subseteq M_1 \cup M_2$ . Hence either  $x^k \in M_1$  or  $x^k \in M_2$  i.e. either  $G(x) = \{x^k\} \subseteq M_1$  or  $G(x) = \{x^k\} \subseteq M_2$ . Therefore either  $x \in U_1(M_1)$  or  $x \in U_1(M_2)$ . In both cases  $x \in U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2)$ .

This means, that

$$U_1(M_1 \cup M_2) \subseteq U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2),$$

what together with

$$U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2) \subseteq U_1(M_1 \cup M_2)$$

gives the equality

$$U_1(M_1 \cup M_2) = U_1(M_1) \cup U_1(M_2).$$

Now the proof is finished.

Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski.

If  $a \notin G(a)$ , then  $G(a) = \{a^k\}$ . Let us denote  $O(a) = \{a, a^k\}$ . If  $a \in G(a)$ , let  $O(a) = \{a\}$ . Clearly  $O(a)$  is the smallest neighborhood of the element  $a$  in the topology induced on  $S$  by  $U_1$ .

**Lemma 12.** Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski. Let  $a, b \in S$ ,  $a \neq b$ . Then the following statements hold:

a) If  $a \notin G(a) = \{a^m\}$ ,  $O(a) = \{a, a^m\}$  and  $b \notin G(b) = \{b^n\}$ ,  $O(b) = \{b, b^n\}$ , then  $b \notin O(a)$  and  $a \notin O(b)$ .

b) If  $a \notin G(a) = \{a^k\}$ ,  $O(a) = \{a, a^k\}$  and  $b \in G(b)$ ,  $O(b) = \{b\}$ , then  $a \notin O(b)$ .

c) If  $a \in G(a)$ ,  $O(a) = \{a\}$  and  $b \in G(b)$ ,  $O(b) = \{b\}$ , then  $O(a) \cap O(b) = \emptyset$ .

d) If  $a \notin G(a) = \{a^k\}$ ,  $O(a) = \{a, a^k\}$ , then  $a^k \neq a$  and  $a^k \in O(a)$ .

**Proof.** a) Let  $b \in O(a)$ . Then  $b = a^m$ , i.e.  $\{b\} = \{a^m\} = G(a) = G(b)$ . Hence  $b \in G(b)$  and therefore  $O(b) = \{b\}$ . But this is a contradiction to the fact, that  $O(b) = \{b, b^n\}$ , where  $b \neq b^n$ , because  $b \notin G(b) = \{b^n\}$ . Therefore  $b \notin O(a)$ .

Similarly one can prove, that  $a \notin O(b)$ .

The statements b), c), d) are evident.

**Theorem 15.**  $U_1$  is closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski iff  $S$  is a periodic semigroup and for every element  $a$  such that  $a \notin G(a)$ ,  $|G(a)| = 1$ .

The topology induced by  $U_1$  on  $S$  is a  $T_0$ -topology.

The proof follows from Theorem 12 and 14, and from Lemma 12.

**Theorem 16.** Let  $U_1$  be a closure operation on  $S$  in sense of Kuratowski. Then the topology induced by  $U_1$  on  $S$  is a  $T_1$ -topology iff  $S$  is a periodic semigroup whose every cyclic subsemigroup is a group.

The topology, induced by  $U_1$  on  $S$  is then the discrete topology.

The proof follows from Lemma 12.

#### 4. Connections between $U_1$ , $U_2$ and $N_3$

${}^1O(a)$  will denote the smallest neighborhood of the element  $a$  in the topology, induced on  $S$  by  $U_1$ ,  ${}^2O(a)$  the smallest neighborhood of the element  $a$  in the topology induced on  $S$  by  $U_2$ .

**Theorem 17.**  $U_1 = U_2$  on  $S$  iff  $S$  is a periodic semigroup and for every  $a \in S$ ,  $|G(a)| = 1$  holds.

**Proof.** a) If  $U_1 = U_2$ , Then  $U_1$  is a closure operation in sense of Kuratowski and  $S$  must be clearly a periodic semigroup. Hence it is sufficient to consider elements of finite order.

If  $a \notin G(a) = \{a^k\}$ , then  ${}^1O(a) = {}^2O(a)$  means, that  $\{a, a^k\} = \{a\} \cup G(a)$  i.e.  $G(a) = \{a^k\}$ . Hence  $|G(a)| = 1$ .

If  $a \in G(a)$ , then  ${}^1O(a) = {}^2O(a)$  means, that  $\{a\} = \{a\} \cup G(a)$  i.e.  $G(a) = \{a\}$ . Hence  $|G(a)| = 1$ .

b) If for every  $a \in S$ ,  $|G(a)| = 1$ , then by Theorem 15,  $U_1$  is a closure operation in sense of Kuratowski and we can easily see, that the complete systems of neighborhoods of the topologies, induced on  $S$  by closure operations  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are equal. Hence  $U_1 = U_2$ .

**Theorem 18.**  $U_1 = N_3$  on  $S$  iff  $a^2$  is an idempotent for any  $a \in S$ .

**Proof.** We know, that  $U_1(M) \subseteq U_2(M) \subseteq N_3(M)$  for every  $M \in 2^S$ . This means, that  $U_1 = N_3$  iff  $U_1 = U_2 = N_3$ . From Theorem 17 and 8, it follows, that  $U_1 = N_3$  iff  $S$  is a periodic semigroup and every element of  $S$  is either idempotent or

$\langle a \rangle = P(a) \cup G(a)$ , where  $|P(a)| = |G(a)| = 1$ .

Hence  $U_1 = N_3$  iff  $a^2$  is an idempotent for any  $a \in S$ .

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