

## *Direct Limits of Finitary Relation Spaces*

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In [1] the direct limit of a sequence of semigroups is defined as follows: Consider a sequence  $\{D_i: i=1, 2, \dots\}$  of semigroups with isomorphisms  $\varphi_{ji}$  of  $D_i$  into  $D_j$ ,  $i \leq j$ , such that for  $i \leq j \leq k$ ,  $\varphi_{ki}(x) = \varphi_{kj} \cdot \varphi_{ji}(x)$  and  $\varphi_{ii}(x) = x$ . The semigroup  $D$  of the set union  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i$  which, for every  $i, j$  and  $x$  such that  $i \leq j$  and  $x \in D_i$ , identifies  $x$  with  $\varphi_{ji}(x)$  is called the direct limit of  $\{D_i: i=1, 2, \dots\}$  with respect to the isomorphism family  $F = \{\varphi_{ji}: i=1, 2, \dots, j=1, 2, \dots; i \leq j\}$  and is denoted by  $D = \varinjlim (D_i; F)$ .

Further in [1] the problem is asked to describe the isomorphism condition for  $S$  and  $S'$  in terms of  $S_i, S'_i, \varphi_{ji}, \varphi'_{ji}$ , if  $S_i$  and  $S'_i$  are positive integer semigroups and  $S = \varinjlim (S_i; \varphi_{ji})$ ,  $S' = \varinjlim (S'_i; \varphi'_{ji})$ .

In this paper this concrete problem is not solved, but some conditions are given for a more general case.

The definition of the direct limit of the sequence of semigroups given in [1] can be generalized to the sequence of finitary relation spaces, if the word "semigroup" in it is substituted by the words "finitary relation space". The relation space is a set on which some relations are given. If all of those relations are finitary, this relation space is called finitary.

We may adapt this definition by such a way that  $S$  is defined as such a set that for any  $i$  an isomorphism  $\varphi_i$  of  $S_i$  into  $S$  exists and any element of  $S$  is an image of some element of  $S_i$  in  $\varphi_i$  for some  $i$  and  $\varphi_j \varphi_{ji} = \varphi_i$  for  $j \geq i$ .

Now we shall prove a lemma.

**LEMMA.** *Let  $M$  and  $M'$  be two finitary relation spaces. Let  $\alpha_i$  for each positive integer  $i$  be an isomorphism from  $M$  into  $M'$ . For  $i \leq j$  let the definition domain of  $\alpha_i$  be included in the definition domain of  $\alpha_j$ . Let  $\alpha_i(x) = \alpha_j(x)$  for any  $x$  from the intersection of definition domains of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\alpha_j$ . Let any element of  $M$  be in the definition domain of some  $\alpha_i$ . Then there exists an isomorphism of  $M$  into  $M'$ .*

**PROOF.** Let us define the mapping  $\alpha$  so that  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_i(x)$  for such an  $i$  that  $x$  is in the definition domain of  $\alpha_i$ . The element  $\alpha(x)$  is determined uniquely,

because  $\alpha_i(x) = \alpha_j(x)$  for  $x$  from the intersection of definition domains of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\alpha_j$ . Let some elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be in an  $n$ -ary relation on the relation space  $M$ . Let  $x_i$  ( $i=1, \dots, n$ ) be in the definition domain of  $\alpha_{k(i)}$ . Let  $N = \max \{k(i) : i=1, \dots, n\}$ . Then  $x_i$  is in the definition domain of  $\alpha_N$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$  and the elements  $\alpha_N(x_1), \dots, \alpha_N(x_n)$  are in the corresponding relation, because  $\alpha_N$  is an isomorphism. But  $\alpha(x_i) = \alpha_N(x_i)$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$  and so  $\alpha(x_1), \dots, \alpha(x_n)$  are in the corresponding relation. This can be made for any  $n$ -tuple which is in some relation on  $M$  and so we have proved that  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism.

The assumption that  $M$  is a finitary relation space was made, because in the contrary case  $N$  should not always have to exist.

All groups, semigroups, lattices, rings, fields, graphs etc. are finitary relation spaces.

Now we shall prove a theorem.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $\{S_i : i=1, 2, \dots\}$ ,  $\{S'_i : i=1, 2, \dots\}$  be two infinite sequences of finitary relation spaces, let  $S = \varinjlim (S_i ; \varphi_{ji})$ ,  $S' = \varinjlim (S'_i ; \varphi'_{ji})$ , where  $\varphi_{ji}$ ,  $\varphi'_{ji}$  are corresponding isomorphisms (see the definition of the direct limit). The relation spaces  $S$  and  $S'$  are isomorphic to each other, if and only if there exists an infinite sequence  $\{T_i : i=1, 2, \dots\}$ , whose terms are finitary relation spaces or empty sets, and the isomorphisms  $\psi_i$ ,  $\psi'_i$ ,  $\tau_{ji}$  for  $i \leq j$  so that  $\psi_i$  is an isomorphism of  $T_i$  into  $S_i$ ,  $\psi'_i$  is an isomorphism of  $T_i$  into  $S'_i$  and  $\tau_{ji}$  is an isomorphism of  $T_i$  into  $T_j$  so that the following conditions are satisfied:*

$$(A) \quad \begin{aligned} \tau_{ki}(x) &= \tau_{kj} \cdot \tau_{ji}(x), \quad \tau_{ii}(x) = x \quad \text{for } i \leq j \leq k, \\ \psi_j \tau_{ji}(x) &= \varphi_{ji} \psi_i(x) \\ \psi_j' \tau_{ji}(x) &= \varphi'_{ji} \psi'_i(x) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $i$ .

(B) *To each positive integer  $k$  and to each element  $x \in S_k$  there exists such a positive integer  $N$  that for each integer  $n > N$  we have  $\varphi_{nk}(x) \in \psi_n(T_n)$ .*

(C) *To each positive integer  $k$  and to each element  $x' \in S'_k$  there exists such a positive integer  $N'$  that for each integer  $n > N'$  we have  $\varphi'_{nk}(x') \in \psi'_n(T_n)$ .*

**REMARK.** The conjunction of the conditions (B) and (C) is equivalent to the following condition:

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} (S_i - \psi_i(T_i)) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} (S'_i - \psi'_i(T_i)) = \emptyset.$$

**PROOF.** Let there exist the sequence  $\{T_i : i=1, 2, \dots\}$  and the isomorphisms  $\psi_i$ ,  $\psi'_i$  and  $\tau_{ji}$  with the above described properties. For each  $i$  consider the isomorphism  $\eta_i = \varphi_i \psi_i$  of  $T_i$  into  $S$  and the isomorphism  $\eta'_i = \varphi'_i \psi'_i$  of  $T_i$  into  $S'$ . Let  $y \in S$ . We have  $y = \varphi_k(x)$  for some positive integer  $k$  and some

$x \in S_k$ . According to (B) there exists such a positive integer  $N$  that for  $n > N$  we have  $\varphi_{nk}(x) \in \psi_n(T_n)$ . But  $\varphi_{nk}(x) = \varphi_n^{-1}(y)$ . Thus  $\varphi_n^{-1}(y) \in \psi_n(T_n)$  and this means that there exists  $z \in T_n$  such that  $\psi_n(z) = \varphi_n^{-1}(y)$ , which implies  $z = \psi_n^{-1} \varphi_n^{-1}(y) = \eta_n^{-1}(y)$ . We have proved that for any  $y \in S$  there exists a positive integer  $N$  such that for  $n > N$  the element  $y$  is in the definition domain of  $\eta_n^{-1}$ . Analogously we can prove that for any  $y' \in S'$  there exists a positive integer  $N'$  such that for  $n > N'$  the element  $y'$  is in the definition domain of  $\eta'_n^{-1}$ . Now let us consider the mappings  $\omega_i = \eta'_i \eta_i^{-1} = \varphi'_i \psi'_i \psi_i^{-1} \varphi_i^{-1}$  for positive integers  $i$ ; they are isomorphisms from  $S$  into  $S'$  and they can be eventually empty, i.e. defined for no element (if  $T_i = \emptyset$ ). Let us study interrelations between  $\omega_m, \omega_n$  for  $m < n$ . We have  $\varphi_m(x) = \varphi_n \varphi_{nm}(x)$ ,  $\varphi'_m(x) = \varphi'_n \varphi'_{nm}(x)$  for any  $x$  for which it is defined, therefore

$$\omega_m = \varphi'_m \psi'_m \psi_m^{-1} \varphi_m^{-1} = \varphi'_n \varphi'_{nm} \psi'_m \psi_m^{-1} \varphi_{nm}^{-1} \varphi_n^{-1}.$$

Further  $\varphi_{nm} \psi_m = \psi_n \tau_{nm}$ , according to (A), and thus  $\psi_m^{-1} \varphi_{nm}^{-1} = \tau_{nm}^{-1} \psi_n^{-1}$ . According to (A) also  $\varphi'_{nm} \psi'_m = \psi'_n \tau'_{nm}$ . Thus we have  $\omega_m(y) = \varphi'_n \psi'_n \tau'_{nm} \tau_{nm}^{-1} \psi_n^{-1} \varphi_n^{-1}(y) = \varphi'_n \psi'_n \psi_n^{-1} \varphi_n^{-1}(y) = \omega_n(y)$  for all  $y$  for which  $\omega_m(y)$  is defined; therefore  $\omega_n$  is an extension of  $\omega_m$  for  $n > m$ . To each  $y \in S$  there exists a positive integer  $N$  such that for  $n > N$  the mapping  $\eta_n^{-1}$  is defined in  $y$ ; therefore also  $\omega_n = \eta'_n \eta_n^{-1}$  is defined in  $y$ , because  $\eta_n^{-1}(y) \in T_n$  and  $\eta'_n$  is the mapping of  $T_n$  into  $S'$ . Therefore let us define the mapping  $\omega$  of  $S$  into  $S'$  so that  $\omega(y) = \omega_n(y)$  for such a positive integer  $n$  that  $\omega_n$  is defined in  $y$ ; according to the above proved  $\omega(y)$  is determined uniquely. The mapping  $\omega$  is an extension of  $\omega_n$  for any positive integer  $n$ . According to Lemma  $\omega$  is an isomorphism of  $S$  into  $S'$ . Now we shall prove that  $\omega$  is even an isomorphism of  $S$  onto  $S'$ . We have  $\omega_n^{-1} = \eta'_n \eta_n^{-1}$  for any  $n$ . The mapping  $\omega_n^{-1}$  is defined in all elements of  $S'$  in which  $\eta'_n$  is defined. We have proved that for each  $y' \in S'$  there exists a positive integer  $N$  such that for  $n > N$  the element  $y'$  is in the definition domain of  $\eta'_n$ . We define the mapping  $\omega'$  of  $S'$  into  $S$  so that  $\omega'(y') = \omega_n^{-1}(y')$  for such a positive integer  $n$  that  $\omega_n^{-1}$  is defined in  $y'$ ; the mapping  $\omega'$  is determined uniquely. Now let  $y = \omega'(y')$ ,  $y \in S$ ,  $y' \in S'$ . Therefore there exists a positive integer  $m$  such that  $y = \omega_m^{-1}(y')$ ; thus  $y' = \omega_m(y)$  and  $y' = \omega(y)$ . So  $\omega' = \omega^{-1}$ ; as  $\omega'$  is defined in all elements of  $S'$ ,  $\omega$  must be an isomorphism onto  $S'$ . Therefore  $S$  and  $S'$  are isomorphic.

Now suppose that  $S$  and  $S'$  are isomorphic. Let  $\eta$  be an isomorphism of  $S$  onto  $S'$ . Put  $T_n = \eta \varphi_n(S_n) \cap \varphi'_n(S'_n)$  for each positive integer  $n$ . Further put  $\psi_n = \varphi_n^{-1} \eta^{-1}$ ,  $\psi'_n = \varphi'_n^{-1}$  for every positive integer  $n$ ,  $\tau_{nm}(x) = x$  for  $x \in T_m$ ,  $m$  and  $n$  positive integers,  $m < n$ . The condition (A) is fulfilled, because  $\psi_j \tau_{ji}(x) = \varphi_j^{-1} \eta^{-1}(x)$  for  $x \in T_i$ ,  $\varphi_{ji} \psi_i(x) = \varphi_{ji} \varphi_i^{-1} \eta^{-1}(x) = \varphi_j^{-1} \eta^{-1}(x)$  for  $x \in T_i$ , therefore  $\psi_j \tau_{ji} = \varphi_{ji} \psi_i$ ; further  $\psi'_j \tau_{ji}(x) = \varphi_j^{-1}(x)$  for  $x \in T_i$ ,  $\varphi'_{ji} \psi'_i(x) = \varphi'_{ji} \varphi_i^{-1}(x) = \varphi_j^{-1}(x)$

for  $x \in T_i$ , therefore  $\psi_j' \tau_{ji} = \varphi_{ji}' \psi_i'$ . We shall verify the condition (B). Let  $x \in S_k$  and consider the element  $\varphi_k(x) \in S$ . As  $\eta$  is an isomorphism of  $S$  onto  $S'$ , there exists an element  $z = \eta \varphi_k(x) \in S'$ . This element is equal to  $\varphi_m'(y)$  for some  $m$  and some  $y \in S_m'$ . Let  $N = \max(k, m)$ . For  $n > N$  we have  $z = \eta \varphi_n \varphi_{nk}(x) = \varphi_n' \varphi_{nm}'(y)$ , therefore  $z \in \eta \varphi_n(S_n) \cap \varphi_n'(S_n') = T_n$ . Then  $x = \varphi_k^{-1} \eta^{-1}(z)$  and  $\varphi_{nk}(x) = \varphi_{nk} \varphi_k^{-1} \eta^{-1}(z) = \varphi_n^{-1} \eta^{-1}(z) = \psi_n(z) \in \psi_n(T_n)$ . Analogously we verify the condition (C). The proof is ready.

Now if we put  $\xi_i = \psi_i' \psi_i^{-1}$ , the mapping  $\xi_i$  is an isomorphism from  $S_i$  into  $S_i'$ . Further  $\xi_j \varphi_{ji}(x) = \psi_j' \psi_j^{-1} \varphi_{ji}(x) = \psi_j' \tau_{ji} \psi_i'^{-1}(x) = \varphi_{ji}' \psi_i' \psi_i^{-1}(x) = \varphi_{ji}' \xi_i(x)$  for any  $x$  for which both  $\xi_j \varphi_{ji}$  and  $\varphi_{ji}' \xi_i$  are defined; this follows from the conditions (A). From the conditions (B) and (C) we can obtain the result that for any positive integer  $k$  and  $x \in S_k$  there exists a positive integer  $N$  such that for  $n > N$  the element  $\varphi_{nk}(x)$  is in the definition domain of  $\xi_n$  and for any positive integer  $k$  and  $x' \in S_k'$  there exists a positive integer  $N'$  such that for  $n > N'$  the element  $\varphi_{nk}'(x')$  is in the set of values of  $\xi_n$ .

On the other hand, if such mappings  $\xi_i$  are defined, we may obtain the sets  $T_i$  and the mappings  $\psi_i, \psi_i', \tau_{ji}$ . For each  $i$  we define  $T_i$  as the subset of  $S_i$  consisting of all elements  $x$  for which  $\xi_i(x)$  is defined. Then  $\psi_i(x) = x, \psi_i'(x) = \xi_i(x), \tau_{ji}(x) = \varphi_{ji}(x)$  for  $x \in T_i, j > i$ . We can easily verify all the conditions for these sets and mappings.

Therefore we can express a theorem which is a simplification of Theorem 1; we do not need the sets  $T_i$  in it.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $\{S_i: i=1, 2, \dots\}, \{S_i': i=1, 2, \dots\}$  be two infinite sequences of finitary relation spaces, let  $S = \varinjlim (S_i; \varphi_{ji})$ ,  $S' = \varinjlim (S_i'; \varphi_{ji}')$ , where  $\varphi_{ji}, \varphi_{ji}'$  are corresponding isomorphisms. The relation spaces  $S$  and  $S'$  are isomorphic to each other, if and only if there exists a family  $\Xi = \{\xi_i: i=1, 2, \dots\}$  of isomorphisms such that  $\xi_i$  is an isomorphism from  $S_i$  into  $S_i'$  (some of these isomorphisms may be empty) so that the following conditions are satisfied:*

$$(A) \quad \xi_j \varphi_{ji}(x) = \varphi_{ji}'(x) \xi_i(x)$$

for any  $x$  for which both  $\xi_j \varphi_{ji}$  and  $\varphi_{ji}' \xi_i$  are defined.

(B) *To each positive integer  $k$  and to each element  $x \in S_k$  there exists such a positive integer  $N$  that for each integer  $n > N$  the element  $\varphi_{nk}(x)$  is contained in the definition domain of  $\xi_n$ .*

(C) *To each positive integer  $k$  and to each element  $x' \in S_k'$  there exists such a positive integer  $N'$  that for each integer  $n > N'$  the element  $\varphi_{nk}'(x')$  is contained in the set of values of  $\xi_n$ .*

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