

# Free idempotent generated semigroups and partial endomorphism monoids of free $G$ -acts

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Let  $S$  be a semigroup with  $E = E(S)$  a set of idempotents of  $S$ .

For any  $e, f \in E$ , define

$$e \leq_{\mathcal{R}} f \Leftrightarrow fe = e \text{ and } e \leq_{\mathcal{L}} f \Leftrightarrow ef = e.$$

**Note**  $e \leq_{\mathcal{R}} f$  ( $e \leq_{\mathcal{L}} f$ ) implies both  $ef$  and  $fe$  are idempotents.

We say that  $(e, f)$  is a **basic pair** if

$$e \leq_{\mathcal{R}} f, f \leq_{\mathcal{R}} e, e \leq_{\mathcal{L}} f \text{ and } f \leq_{\mathcal{L}} e,$$

i.e.

$$\{e, f\} \cap \{ef, fe\} \neq \emptyset;$$

and  $ef, fe$  are said to be **basic products**.

- ① Under basic products,  $E$  satisfies a number of axioms; if  $S$  is regular, an extra axiom holds.
- ② A **biordered set** is a partial algebra satisfying these axioms; if the extra one also holds it is a **regular biordered set**.
- ③ A biordered set is regular if and only if  $E = E(S)$  for a regular semigroup  $S$  **Nambooripad (1979)**.
- ④ Any biordered set  $E$  is  $E(S)$  for some semigroup  $S$  **Easdown (1985)**.
- ⑤ The category of inductive groupoids whose set of identities form a regular biordered set is equivalent to the category of regular semigroups **Nambooripad (1979)**.

# Free Idempotent-generated semigroups

Let  $S$  be a semigroup with  $E = E(S)$  a set of idempotents of  $S$ .

$S$  is **idempotent-generated** if  $S = \langle E \rangle$ .

**Example 1** (Howie 1966)

$\mathcal{T}_n$  - full transformation monoid,  $S(\mathcal{T}_n) = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{T}_n : \text{rank } \alpha < n\}$ .

**Example 2** (J.A. Erdős, 1967, Laffey, 1973)

$M_n(D)$  - full linear monoid,  $S(M_n(D)) = \{A \in M_n(D) : \text{rank } A < n\}$ .

**Example 3** (Fountain and Lewin, 1992)

$A$  - independence algebra,  $S(\text{End } A) = \{\alpha \in \text{End}(A) : \text{rank } \alpha < n\}$ .

# Free idempotent-generated semigroups

Let  $E$  be a biordered set (equivalently, a set of idempotents  $E$  of a semigroup  $S$ ).

**The free idempotent generated semigroup**  $IG(E)$  is a free object in the category of semigroups that are generated by  $E$ , defined by

$$IG(E) = \langle \bar{E} : \bar{e}\bar{f} = \overline{ef}, e, f \in E, \{e, f\} \cap \{ef, fe\} \neq \emptyset \rangle.$$

where  $\bar{E} = \{\bar{e} : e \in E\}$ .

## Facts

- 1  $IG(E) = \langle \bar{E} \rangle$ .
- 2 The natural map  $\phi : IG(E) \rightarrow S$ , given by  $\bar{e}\phi = e$ , is a morphism onto  $S' = \langle E(S) \rangle$ .
- 3 The restriction of  $\phi$  to the set of idempotents of  $IG(E)$  is a bijection.
- 4 The morphism  $\phi$  induces a bijection between the set of all  $\mathcal{R}$ -classes (resp.  $\mathcal{L}$ -classes) in the  $\mathcal{D}$ -class of  $\bar{e}$  in  $IG(E)$  and the corresponding set in  $S' = \langle E(S) \rangle$ .

**Question:** the structure of maximal subgroups of  $IG(E)$ .

# Maximal subgroups of $IG(E)$

There have been significant recent advances in the study of  $IG(E)$ .

Work of [Pastijn \(1977, 1980\)](#), [Nambooripad and Pastijn \(1980\)](#), [McElwee \(2002\)](#) led to a conjecture that all these groups must be free groups. .

[Brittenham, Margolis and Meakin \(2009\)](#)

$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$  can be a maximal subgroup of  $IG(E)$ , for some  $E$ .

[Gray, Ruskuc \(2012\)](#)

Every group occurs as the maximal subgroup of  $IG(E)$  by using a general presentation and a special choice of  $E$ .



# Maximal subgroups of $IG(E)$

Gray and Ruskuc (2012)

$\mathcal{T}_n$  - full transformation monoid,  $E = E(\mathcal{T}_n)$  - its biordered set.

$\text{rank } e = r < n - 1, n \geq 3, H_{\bar{e}} \cong H_e \cong \mathcal{S}_r.$

Dolinka (2013)

$\mathcal{PT}_n$  - partial transformation monoid,  $E = E(\mathcal{PT}_n)$  - its biordered set.

$\text{rank } e = r < n - 1, n \geq 3, H_{\bar{e}} \cong H_e \cong \mathcal{S}_r.$

Brittenham, Margolis and Meakin (2010)

$M_n(D)$  - full linear monoid,  $E = E(M_n(D))$  - its biordered set.

$\text{rank } e = 1, n \geq 3, H_{\bar{e}} \cong H_e \cong D^*.$

Dolinka and Gray (2014)

$\text{rank } e = r < n/3, n \geq 4, H_{\bar{e}} \cong H_e \cong GL_r(D).$

# Maximal subgroups of $IG(E)$

## Dolinka, Gould and Yang (2015)

$\text{End } F_n(G)$  - the endomorphism monoid of a free  $G$ -act  $F_n(G)$ ,  
 $E = E(\text{End } F_n(G))$  - its biordered set.

$\text{rank } e = r < n - 1, n \geq 3, H_{\bar{e}} \cong H_e \cong G \wr S_r$ .

## Gould and Yang (2016)

$\text{End } \mathbf{A}$  - the endomorphism monoid of an independence algebra  $\mathbf{A}$  with no constants.

$E = E(\text{End } \mathbf{A})$  - its biordered set.

$\text{rank } e = 1, n \geq 3, H_{\bar{e}} \cong H_e \cong S_r$ .

**Note**  $\text{rank } e = n - 1, H_{\bar{e}}$  is free;  $\text{rank } e = 0, n, H_{\bar{e}}$  is trivial.

# Maximal subgroups of $IG(E)$

A question posed by Vicky in 2015:

$\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  - the partial endomorphism monoid of a free  $G$ -act  $F_n(G)$ ,  
 $E = E(\text{PEnd } F_n(G))$  - its biordered set.

$0 < \text{rank } e = r < n - 1, n \geq 3, H_{\bar{e}} \cong H_e \cong G \wr S_r?$

This was the task for [Dandan](#) and [Tom](#) in Sep. 2015 during Tom's visit in Xidian University, the answer to which is **YES!**

Sets and vector spaces over division rings are examples of independence algebras, as are free left  $G$ -acts.

Let  $G$  be a group,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . Let  $F_n(G)$  be a rank  $n$  **free left  $G$ -act**.

Recall that, as a set,

$$F_n(G) = \{gx_i : g \in G, i \in [1, n]\};$$

identify  $x_i$  with  $1x_i$ , where  $1$  is the identity of  $G$ ;

$gx_i = hx_j$  if and only if  $g = h$  and  $i = j$ ;

the action of  $G$  is given by  $g(hx_i) = (gh)x_i$ .

# The partial endomorphism monoid $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$ of $F_n(G)$

A partial mapping  $\alpha$  from  $F_n(G)$  to itself is called a **partial endomorphism** of  $F_n(G)$  if for each  $i \in [1, n]$ , we have that  $x_i \in \text{dom } \alpha$  if and only if for all  $g \in G$ ,  $gx_i \in \text{dom } \alpha$  and  $(gx_i)\alpha = g(x_i\alpha)$ .

Let  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  be the partial endomorphism monoid of  $F_n(G)$  with  $E = E(\text{PEnd } F_n(G))$ .

Note that the endomorphism monoid  $\text{End } F_n(G)$  of  $F_n(G)$  is a submonoid of  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$ .

The **rank** of an element of  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  is the minimal number of (free) generators in its image.

# The partial endomorphism monoid $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$ of $F_n(G)$

Let  $\alpha \in \text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  with  $\text{dom } \alpha = \{gx_i : i \in M, M \subseteq [1, n], g \in G\}$ . We briefly write  $\text{dom } \alpha = \langle x_m \rangle_{m \in M}$ . Then it is easy to see that  $\alpha$  depends only on its action on the free generators  $\{x_i : i \in M\}$ . Suppose that  $M = \{i_1, \dots, i_s\} \subseteq [1, n]$  with  $1 \leq s \leq n$ . Then it is convenient to write

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} x_{i_1} & x_{i_2} & \dots & x_{i_s} \\ w_1^\alpha x_{i_1 \bar{\alpha}} & w_2^\alpha x_{i_2 \bar{\alpha}} & \dots & w_s^\alpha x_{i_s \bar{\alpha}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that  $\alpha$  naturally induces a partial mapping  $\bar{\alpha} : [1, n] \rightarrow [1, n]$  with  $\text{dom } \alpha = M$ .

**Lemma** For any  $\alpha, \beta \in \text{PEnd } F_n(G)$ , we have the following:

- (i)  $\text{im } \alpha = \text{im } \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha \mathcal{L} \beta$ ;
- (ii)  $\text{ker } \alpha = \text{ker } \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha \mathcal{R} \beta$ ;
- (iii)  $\text{rank } \alpha = \text{rank } \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha \mathcal{D} \beta$  if and only if  $\alpha \mathcal{J} \beta$ .

# The partial endomorphism monoid $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$ of $F_n(G)$

**Corollary** For any  $1 \leq r \leq n$ , the maximal subgroup of  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  containing a rank  $r$  idempotent is isomorphic to that of  $\text{End } F_n(G)$ , and hence to the wreath product  $G \wr \mathcal{S}_r$ , where  $\mathcal{S}_r$  is the symmetric group on  $r$  elements.

The  $\mathcal{D}$ -class of an arbitrary rank  $r$  element of  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  is given by

$$D_r = \{\alpha \in \text{PEnd } F_n(G) : \text{rank } \alpha = r\},$$

where  $0 \leq r \leq n$ .

The set  $D_r^0 = D_r \cup \{0\}$  forms a completely 0-simple semigroup, where the binary operation on  $D_r^0$  is defined as follows:

$$\alpha \cdot \beta = \begin{cases} \alpha\beta & \text{if } \alpha, \beta \in D_r \text{ and } \text{rank } \alpha\beta = r \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

# A Rees representation for $D_r^0$

Put:

$I$  the set of kernels;

$$\Lambda = \{(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r) : 1 \leq u_1 < u_2 < \dots < u_r \leq n\} \subseteq [1, n]^r.$$

$$H_{i\lambda} = R_i \cap L_\lambda.$$

$$K = \{(i, \lambda) \in I \times \Lambda : H_{i\lambda} \text{ is a group.}\}.$$

Assume  $1 \in I \cap \Lambda$  with

$$1 = \langle (x_1, x_i) : r+1 \leq i \leq n \rangle \in I, 1 = (1, \dots, r) \in \Lambda.$$

So  $H = H_{11}$  is a group with identity  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_{11}$  defined as follows:

$$\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_r & x_{r+1} & \cdots & x_n \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_r & x_1 & \cdots & x_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_r \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_r \end{pmatrix}.$$



# A Rees representation for $D_r^0$

For any  $\alpha \in D_r$ ,  $\ker \bar{\alpha}$  induces a partition

$$\{B_1^\alpha, \dots, B_r^\alpha\}$$

on  $\text{dom } \alpha[1, n]$  with a set of minimum elements

$$l_1^\alpha, \dots, l_r^\alpha \text{ such that } l_1^\alpha < \dots < l_r^\alpha.$$

Note that  $l_1^\alpha = 1$  if and only if  $x_1 \in \text{dom } \alpha$ .

Put

$$\Theta = \{\alpha \in D_r : x_{l_j^\alpha} \alpha = x_j, j \in [1, r]\}.$$

Then it is a transversal of the  $\mathcal{H}$ -classes of  $L_1$ .

For each  $i \in I$ , define  $\mathbf{r}_i$  as the unique element in  $\Theta \cap H_{i1}$

For each  $\lambda = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r) \in \Lambda$ , define

$$\mathbf{q}_\lambda = \mathbf{q}_{(u_1, \dots, u_r)} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_r & x_{r+1} & \cdots & x_n \\ x_{u_1} & x_{u_2} & \cdots & x_{u_r} & x_{u_1} & \cdots & x_{u_1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## A presentation for $H_{\bar{e}}$

We have that  $D_r^0 = D_r \cup \{0\}$  is completely 0-simple, and hence

$$D_r^0 \cong \mathcal{M}^0(H; I, \Lambda; P),$$

where  $P = (\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i})$  and

$$\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = (\mathbf{q}_{\lambda} \mathbf{r}_i) \text{ if } \text{rank } \mathbf{q}_{\lambda} \mathbf{r}_i = r$$

and is 0 else.

Note that for all  $i \in I$  and  $\lambda = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r) \in \lambda$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} \neq 0$  implies  $\{x_{u_1}, x_{u_2}, \dots, x_{u_r}\} \subseteq \text{dom } \mathbf{r}_i$ .

# A presentation for $H_{\bar{e}}$

Define a **schreier system** of words  $\{\mathbf{h}_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  as follows:

put  $\mathbf{h}_{(1,2,\dots,r)} = 1$ ;

for any  $(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r) > (1, 2, \dots, r)$ , take  $u_0 = 0$  and  $i$  the largest such that  $u_i - u_{i-1} > 1$ . Then

$$(u_1, \dots, u_{i-1}, u_i - 1, u_{i+1}, \dots, u_r) < (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r).$$

Define

$$\mathbf{h}_{(u_1, \dots, u_r)} = \mathbf{h}_{(u_1, \dots, u_{i-1}, u_i - 1, u_{i+1}, \dots, u_r)} \alpha_{(u_1, \dots, u_r)},$$

where

$$\alpha_{(u_1, \dots, u_r)} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & \cdots & x_{u_1} & x_{u_1+1} & \cdots & x_{u_2} & \cdots & x_{u_{r-1}+1} & \cdots & x_{u_r} & x_{u_r+1} & \cdots & x_n \\ x_{u_1} & \cdots & x_{u_1} & x_{u_2} & \cdots & x_{u_2} & \cdots & x_{u_r} & \cdots & x_{u_r} & x_{u_r} & \cdots & x_{u_r} \end{pmatrix}.$$

# A presentation for $H_{\bar{e}}$

**Lemma**  $\mathbf{h}_{(u_1, \dots, u_r)}$  induces a bijection from  $L_{(1, \dots, r)}$  onto  $L_{(u_1, \dots, u_r)}$  in  $\text{End } F_n(G)$ , so does in  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  and  $\text{IG}(E)$ .

$\{\mathbf{h}_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  forms the required schreier system.

Finally, define the function

$$\omega : I \longrightarrow \lambda, i \mapsto \omega(i) = (l_1^{r_i}, l_2^{r_i}, \dots, l_r^{r_i}).$$

**Note**  $\mathbf{p}_{\omega(i), i} = \varepsilon$ .

**Lemma**  $\begin{bmatrix} e_{i\lambda} & e_{i\mu} \\ e_{k\lambda} & e_{k\mu} \end{bmatrix}$  is a singular square  $\iff \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i}^{-1} \mathbf{p}_{\lambda k} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu i}^{-1} \mathbf{p}_{\mu k}$ .

# A presentation for $H_{\bar{e}}$

The maximal subgroup  $\bar{H}$  of  $\bar{e}$  in  $IG(E)$  is defined by the presentation

$$\mathcal{P} = \langle F : \Sigma \rangle$$

with generators:

$$F = \{f_{i,\lambda} : (i, \lambda) \in K\}$$

and defining relations  $\Sigma$ :

$$(R1) \quad f_{i,\lambda} = f_{i,\mu} \quad (\mathbf{h}_\lambda \varepsilon_{i\mu} = \mathbf{h}_\mu);$$

$$(R2) \quad f_{i,\omega(i)} = 1 \quad (i \in I);$$

$$(R3) \quad f_{i,\lambda}^{-1} f_{i,\mu} = f_{k,\lambda}^{-1} f_{k,\mu} \quad \left( \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{i\lambda} & \varepsilon_{i\mu} \\ \varepsilon_{k\lambda} & \varepsilon_{k\mu} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is singular i.e. } \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i}^{-1} \mathbf{p}_{\lambda k} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu i}^{-1} \mathbf{p}_{\mu k} \right).$$

# The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

Put:

$$I' = \{i \in I : H_{i1} \subseteq \text{End } F_n(G)\} \subseteq I;$$

$P' = (\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i})$  where  $i \in I'$  and  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  be a submatrix of  $P$ .

Note that the structure of  $P'$  is exactly the same as that of the sandwich matrix we chose for the completely 0-simple semigroup related with the rank  $r$   $\mathcal{D}$ -class of  $\text{End } F_n(G)$ .

By exactly the same argument as that of [Dolinka, Gould, Yang \(2015\)](#), we have:

**Lemma** For each  $i, j \in I'$ ,  $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$ , we have

- (i)  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \varepsilon$  implies  $f_{i,\lambda} = 1$ .
- (ii)  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j}$  implies  $f_{i,\lambda} = f_{j,\mu}$ .

# The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

To show the above result is true for all  $i, j \in I$  and all  $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$ , we need the following lemma.

**Lemma** For each  $i \in I$ , there exists  $j \in I'$  such that for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  with  $p_{\lambda i} \neq 0$ , we have  $p_{\lambda i} = p_{\lambda j}$ .

**Proof** If  $i \in I'$ , then we are fine. If not, we define  $\alpha \in \text{End } F_n(G)$  as follows:

$$x_s \alpha = x_s r_i \text{ if } x_s \in \text{dom } \mathbf{r}_i; x_v \alpha = x_1 \text{ if } x_v \notin \text{dom } \mathbf{r}_i.$$

Suppose  $\ker \bar{\mathbf{r}}_i = \{L_1^{r_i}, \dots, L_r^{r_i}\}$  with minimum elements  $l_1^{r_i} < \dots < l_r^{r_i}$ .

Then we must have  $x_{l_j^{r_i}} \mathbf{r}_i = x_j$  for all  $j \in [1, r]$ . Let  $\ker \bar{\alpha} = \{L_1^\alpha, \dots, L_r^\alpha\}$

with minimum elements  $l_1^\alpha < \dots < l_r^\alpha$ . Then

$$L_1^\alpha = L_1^{r_i} \cup \{v \in [1, n] : x_v \notin \text{dom } \mathbf{r}_i\}, L_2^\alpha = L_2^{r_i}, \dots, L_r^\alpha = L_r^{r_i}.$$

## The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

If  $x_1 \in \text{dom } \mathbf{r}_i$ , then  $l_1^{r_i} = 1$  and  $l_1^\alpha = 1$ , so that  $x_{l_1^\alpha} \alpha = x_{l_1^{r_i}} \alpha = x_{l_1^{r_i}} \mathbf{r}_i = x_1$ .  
If  $x_1 \notin \text{dom } \mathbf{r}_i$ , then  $l_1^{r_i} \neq l_1^\alpha = 1$ ,  $x_{l_1^\alpha} \alpha = x_1 \alpha = x_1$ . Also,  $x_{l_j^\alpha} \alpha = x_{l_j^{r_i}} \mathbf{r}_i = x_j$ ,  
for all  $j \in [2, r]$ . Hence there exist some  $j \in I'$  such that  $\mathbf{r}_j = \alpha$ .

Let  $\lambda = (u_1, \dots, u_r) \in \Lambda$  with  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} \neq 0$ . Then  $\{x_{u_1}, \dots, x_{u_r}\} \in \text{dom } \mathbf{r}_j$ .  
Since the restriction of  $\mathbf{r}_j$  to  $\text{dom } \mathbf{r}_i$  is equal to  $\mathbf{r}_i$ , we have  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda j}$ .



# The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

**Lemma** For all  $i \in I, \lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $p_{\lambda i} = \varepsilon$  implies  $f_{i,\lambda} = 1$ .

**Proof** If  $i \in I'$ , then clearly  $f_{i,\lambda} = 1$ . Suppose that  $i \notin I'$ . First, we have  $\mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)i} = \varepsilon$  and  $f_{i,\omega(i)} = 1$  by (R1).

There exists  $j \in I'$  such that

$$\mathbf{p}_{\lambda j} = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \varepsilon, \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)j} = \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)i} = \varepsilon$$

so

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} & \mathbf{p}_{\lambda j} \\ \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)i} & \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)j} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon & \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon & \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that  $f_{j,\lambda} = 1$  and  $f_{j,\omega(i)} = 1$ , and so, by (R3), we have  $f_{i,\lambda} = 1$ .

# The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

**Lemma** For all  $i, j \in I$  and  $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j}$  implies  $f_{i,\lambda} = f_{j,\mu}$ .

**Proof** There exists  $i' \in I'$  such that

$$\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i'} = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i}, \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)i} = \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)i'} = \varepsilon$$

so that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} & \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i'} \\ \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)i} & \mathbf{p}_{\omega(i)i'} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} & \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i'} \\ \varepsilon & \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $f_{i,\omega(i)} = f_{i',\omega(i)} = 1$ , we have  $f_{i,\lambda} = f_{i',\lambda}$  by (R3).

Similarly, there exists  $j' \in I'$  such that  $\mathbf{p}_{\mu j} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j'}$  and  $f_{j,\mu} = f_{j',\mu}$ .

We know  $f_{i',\lambda} = f_{j',\mu}$ , and hence  $f_{i,\lambda} = f_{j,\mu}$ .

We now denote all generators  $f_{i,\lambda}$  with  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \alpha$  by  $f_{\alpha}$ , where  $(i, \lambda) \in K$ .

# The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

We will say that for  $\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma \in P$  the quadruple  $(\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma)$  is **singular** in  $P$  if  $\phi^{-1}\psi = \varphi^{-1}\sigma$  and we can find  $i, j \in I, \lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$  with  $\phi = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i}, \varphi = \mathbf{p}_{\mu i}, \psi = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda j}$  and  $\sigma = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j}$ .

Exactly as in [Dolinka, Gould and Yang \(2015\)](#), we obtain the following lemma.

**Lemma** Let  $\overline{\overline{H}}$  be the group given by the presentation  $\mathcal{Q} = \langle S : \Gamma \rangle$  with generators:

$$S = \{f_\phi : \phi \in P\}$$

and with the defining relations  $\Gamma$ :

(P1)  $f_\phi^{-1}f_\varphi = f_\psi^{-1}f_\sigma$  where  $(\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma)$  is singular in  $P$ ;

(P2)  $f_\epsilon = 1$ .

Then  $\overline{\overline{H}}$  is isomorphic to  $\overline{H}$ .

## The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

Let  $I'$ ,  $\Lambda$  and  $D_r$  be defined as above and  $P' = (p_{\lambda i})$  where  $i \in I'$  and  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ .

Let  $D'_r$  be the  $\mathcal{D}$ -class of  $\varepsilon$  in  $\text{End } F_n(G)$ . Then

$$D'_r = \{\alpha \in \text{End } F_n(G) : \text{rank } \alpha = r\} \subseteq D_r.$$

We may use  $I'$  and  $\Lambda$  to denote the set of  $\mathcal{R}$ -classes and  $\mathcal{L}$ -classes of  $D'_r$ , respectively.

By defining  $\omega' : I' \rightarrow \Lambda$  as the restriction of  $\omega$  on  $I'$  and  $K'$  as the restriction of  $K$  on  $I' \times \Lambda$  we have the following result.

# The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

**Lemma** Let  $E$  be the biordered set of idempotents of  $\text{End } F_n(G)$ . Then the maximal subgroup  $\overline{H'}$  of  $\bar{e}$  in  $\text{IG}(E)$  is defined by the presentation

$$\mathcal{P}' = \langle F' : \Sigma' \rangle$$

with generators:

$$F' = \{g_{i,\lambda} : (i, \lambda) \in K'\}$$

and defining relations  $\Sigma'$ :

$$(R1') \quad g_{i,\lambda} = g_{i,\mu} \quad (\bar{\mathbf{h}}_\lambda \bar{e}_{i\mu} = \bar{\mathbf{h}}_\mu);$$

$$(R2') \quad g_{i,\omega(i)} = 1 \quad (i \in I');$$

$$(R3') \quad g_{i,\lambda}^{-1} g_{i,\mu} = g_{k,\lambda}^{-1} g_{k,\mu} \quad \left( \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{i\lambda} & \varepsilon_{i\mu} \\ \varepsilon_{k\lambda} & \varepsilon_{k\mu} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is singular i.e. } \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i}^{-1} \mathbf{p}_{\lambda k} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu i}^{-1} \mathbf{p}_{\mu k} \right).$$

# The relationship between $f_{i,\lambda}$ and $p_{\lambda i}$

The following two lemmas are taken from [Dolinka, Gould, Yang\(2015\)](#):

**Lemma** For each  $i \in I', \lambda \in \Lambda$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \varepsilon$  implies  $g_{i,\lambda} = 1$ .

**Lemma** For each  $i, j \in I', \lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j}$  implies  $g_{i,\lambda} = g_{j,\mu}$ .

We now denote all generators  $g_{i,\lambda}$  with  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \alpha$  by  $g_\alpha$ , where  $(i, \lambda) \in K'$ .

We will say that for  $\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma \in P'$  the quadruple  $(\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma)$  is *singular* in  $P'$  if  $\phi^{-1}\psi = \varphi^{-1}\sigma$  and we can find  $i, j \in I', \lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$  with

$\phi = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i}, \varphi = \mathbf{p}_{\mu i}, \psi = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda j}$  and  $\sigma = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j}$ .

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**Lemma** Let  $\overline{\overline{H'}}$  be the group given by the presentation  $\mathcal{Q}' = \langle S' : \Gamma' \rangle$  with generators:

$$S' = \{g_\phi : \phi \in P'\}$$

and with the defining relations  $\Gamma'$  :

(P1)  $g_\phi^{-1} g_\varphi = g_\psi^{-1} g_\sigma$  where  $(\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma)$  is singular in  $P'$ ;

(P2)  $g_\epsilon = 1$ .

Then  $\overline{\overline{H'}}$  is isomorphic to  $\overline{H'}$ .

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**Lemma** The group  $\overline{H}$  with a presentation  $\mathcal{Q} = \langle S : \Gamma \rangle$  is isomorphic to the presentation  $\mathcal{Q}' = \langle S' : \Gamma' \rangle$  of  $\overline{H}'$ , and the later is isomorphic to the wreath product  $G \wr S_r$ .

**Proof** Let  $\tilde{S}$  be the free group generated by  $S$ . We define a map

$$\theta : \tilde{S} \longrightarrow \overline{H}', f_\phi \theta = g_\phi$$

for all  $\phi \in P$ .

First,  $\theta$  is well-defined, for which we need to show  $\phi \in P'$ . There must exist  $i \in I, \lambda \in \Lambda$  such that  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \phi$ . By the result we obtained, there exists  $i' \in I'$  such that  $\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i'} = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \phi$ , so that  $\phi \in P'$ .



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Now we show  $\Gamma \subseteq \ker \theta$ . Suppose that  $(\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma)$  is singular in  $P$  and  $f_\phi^{-1}f_\varphi = f_\psi^{-1}f_\sigma$  in  $\overline{H}$ . Then there exists  $i, j \in I, \lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$  with

$$\phi = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i}, \varphi = \mathbf{p}_{\mu i}, \psi = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda j}, \sigma = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j}$$

Again, we know there exists  $i', j' \in I'$  such that

$$\mathbf{p}_{\lambda i'} = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda i} = \phi, \mathbf{p}_{\mu i'} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu i} = \varphi, \mathbf{p}_{\lambda j'} = \mathbf{p}_{\lambda j} = \psi, \mathbf{p}_{\mu j'} = \mathbf{p}_{\mu j} = \sigma$$

so that  $(\phi, \varphi, \psi, \sigma)$  is also singular in  $P'$ , and hence  $g_\phi^{-1}g_\varphi = g_\psi^{-1}g_\sigma$  in  $\overline{H'}$ .

Therefore  $\Gamma \subseteq \ker \theta$ , and so there is a well-defined morphism from  $\overline{\theta} : \overline{H} \rightarrow \overline{H'}$  given by  $f_\phi \overline{\theta} = g_\phi$ , where  $\phi \in P$ .

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Conversely, we define a map

$$\psi : \tilde{S}' \longrightarrow \overline{\overline{H}}, g_\phi \psi = f_\phi$$

for all  $\phi \in P'$ , where  $\tilde{S}'$  is the free group generated by  $S'$ . Clearly,  $\psi$  is well-defined and  $\Gamma' \subseteq \ker \psi$ , so that there is a well-defined morphism  $\overline{\psi} : \overline{\overline{H'}} \longrightarrow \overline{\overline{H}}$  given by  $g_\phi \overline{\psi} = f_\phi$ , where  $\phi \in P'$ .

Also,  $g_\phi \psi \theta = f_\phi \theta = g_\phi$  for all  $\phi \in P'$  and  $f_\phi \theta \psi = g_\phi \psi = f_\phi$  for all  $\phi \in P$ . Therefore  $\overline{\overline{H'}} \simeq \overline{\overline{H}}$ .

So,  $\mathcal{Q} = \langle S : \Gamma \rangle$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{Q}' = \langle S' : \Gamma' \rangle$ , and the later is isomorphic to  $G \wr \mathcal{S}_r$  by [Dolinka, Gould and Yang\(2015\)](#).

# The main theorem

**Theorem** Let  $E$  be the biordered set of idempotents of the partial endomorphism monoid  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  of a rank  $n$  free  $G$ -act  $F_n(G)$ , where  $G$  is a group,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 3$ . Let  $\varepsilon \in E$  be a rank  $r$  idempotent with  $1 \leq r \leq n - 2$ . Then the maximal subgroup of  $\text{IG}(E)$  containing  $\bar{\varepsilon}$  is isomorphic to the wreath product  $G \wr S_r$ .

If  $\varepsilon$  is an idempotent with rank  $n$  or  $0$ , that is, the identity map or empty map, then  $\bar{H}$  is the trivial group, since it is generated (in  $\text{IG}(E)$ ) by idempotents of the same rank.

If the rank of  $\varepsilon$  is  $n - 1$ , then  $\bar{H}$  is the free group as there are no non-trivial singular squares in the  $\mathcal{D}$ -class of  $\varepsilon$  in  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$ .

# The main theorem

If  $G$  is trivial, then  $\text{PEnd } F_n(G)$  is essentially  $\mathcal{PT}_n$ , so we deduce the following result of [Dolinka\(2013\)](#)

**Corollary** Let  $\text{IG}(E)$  be the free idempotent generated semigroup over the biordered set  $E$  of idempotents of the partial transformation monoid  $\mathcal{PT}_n$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 3$ . Let  $\varepsilon \in E$  be a rank  $r$  idempotent with  $1 \leq r \leq n - 2$ . Then the maximal subgroup  $\overline{H}$  of  $\text{IG}(E)$  containing  $\overline{\varepsilon}$  is isomorphic to the maximal subgroup  $H$  of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  containing  $\varepsilon$ , and hence to  $\mathcal{S}_r$ .

Thank you!