

# The endomorphism semigroup of a free dimonoid of rank 1

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**Abstract.** We describe all endomorphisms of a free dimonoid of rank 1 and construct a semigroup which is isomorphic to the endomorphism semigroup of this free dimonoid. Also, we give an abstract characteristic for the endomorphism semigroup of a free dimonoid of rank 1.

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## 1 Introduction

The notion of a dimonoid was introduced by Jean-Louis Loday in [1]. An algebra  $(D, \dashv, \vdash)$  with two binary associative operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  is called a *dimonoid* if for all  $x, y, z \in D$  the following conditions hold:

$$\begin{aligned}(x \dashv y) \dashv z &= x \dashv (y \dashv z), \\ (x \vdash y) \dashv z &= x \vdash (y \dashv z), \\ (x \dashv y) \vdash z &= x \vdash (y \vdash z).\end{aligned}$$

Algebras of dimension one play a special role in studying different properties of algebras of an arbitrary dimension. For example, free triods of rank 1 were described in [2] and used for building free trialgebras. Semigroups of cohomological dimension one are used in algebraic topology [3]. With the help of properties of free dimonoids (in particular, of rank 1), free dialgebras were described and a cohomology of dialgebras was investigated [1]. More general information on dimonoids and examples of some dimonoids can be found, e. g., in [1, 4–6].

Observe that if the operations of a dimonoid coincide, then the dimonoid becomes a semigroup. For a free dimonoid the operations are distinct, however every free semigroup can be obtained from the free dimonoid by a suitable factorization. It is well known that the endomorphism semigroup of a free semigroup (free monoid) of rank one is isomorphic to the multiplicative semigroup of positive (nonnegative) integers. Endomorphism semigroups of a free monoid and a free semigroup of a non-trivial rank were described by G. Mashevitzky and B. M. Schein [7]. The structure of the endomorphism semigroup of a free group was investigated by E. Formanek [8]. In this paper, we study the endomorphism semigroup of a free dimonoid of rank 1.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we give necessary definitions and auxiliary assertions. In Section 3, we describe all endomorphisms of a free dimonoid of rank 1 and construct a semigroup which is isomorphic to the endomorphism semigroup of the given free dimonoid. In Section 4, we prove that free dimonoids of rank 1 are determined by their endomorphism semigroups and give an abstract characteristic for the endomorphism semigroup of a free dimonoid of rank 1.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $\mathfrak{D}_1 = (D_1, \dashv_1, \vdash_1)$  and  $\mathfrak{D}_2 = (D_2, \dashv_2, \vdash_2)$  be arbitrary dimonoids. A mapping  $\varphi : D_1 \rightarrow D_2$  is called *a homomorphism* of  $\mathfrak{D}_1$  into  $\mathfrak{D}_2$  if for all  $x, y \in D_1$  we have:

$$(x \dashv_1 y)\varphi = x\varphi \dashv_2 y\varphi, \quad (x \vdash_1 y)\varphi = x\varphi \vdash_2 y\varphi.$$

A bijective homomorphism  $\varphi : D_1 \rightarrow D_2$  is called *an isomorphism* of  $\mathfrak{D}_1$  into  $\mathfrak{D}_2$ . In this case dimonoids  $\mathfrak{D}_1$  and  $\mathfrak{D}_2$  are called *isomorphic*.

Let  $X$  be an arbitrary set and  $\overline{X} = \{\overline{x} \mid x \in X\}$ . Define two binary operations on the set

$$\begin{aligned} Fd(X) = & \overline{X} \cup (\overline{X} \times X) \cup (X \times \overline{X}) \cup \\ & \cup (\overline{X} \times X \times X) \cup (X \times \overline{X} \times X) \cup (X \times X \times \overline{X}) \cup \dots \end{aligned}$$

as follows:

$$(x_1, \dots, \overline{x_i}, \dots, x_k) \dashv (y_1, \dots, \overline{y_j}, \dots, y_l) = (x_1, \dots, \overline{x_i}, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_l),$$

$$(x_1, \dots, \overline{x_i}, \dots, x_k) \vdash (y_1, \dots, \overline{y_j}, \dots, y_l) = (x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, \overline{y_j}, \dots, y_l).$$

The algebra  $(Fd(X), \dashv, \vdash)$  is *a free dimonoid* (see [1]). Elements of  $Fd(X)$  are called *words* and  $\overline{X}$  is *the generating set* of  $(Fd(X), \dashv, \vdash)$ . By  $|\omega|$  we denote *the length* of a word  $\omega \in Fd(X)$ .

Note that a free dimonoid can be defined in another way. Let  $X^+$  be the free semigroup on an alphabet  $X$  and  $|w|$  be the length of  $w \in X^+$ . By  $N$  we denote the set of all positive integers.

On the set

$$\tilde{F}[X] = \{(w; m) \in X^+ \times N : |w| \geq m\}$$

we define operations  $\dashv', \vdash'$  by the rule:

$$(w_1, m_1) \dashv' (w_2, m_2) = (w_1 w_2, m_1),$$

$$(w_1, m_1) \vdash' (w_2, m_2) = (w_1 w_2, |w_1| + m_2).$$

**Proposition 1** (see [9, Lemma 3]). *The free dimonoid  $(Fd(X), \dashv, \vdash)$  is isomorphic to the dimonoid  $(\tilde{F}[X], \dashv', \vdash')$ .*

We denote the free dimonoid  $(Fd(X), \dashv, \vdash)$  on an  $n$ -element set  $X$  by  $Fd_n$ . Now we consider the structure of the free dimonoid  $Fd_1$ .

Let  $X = \{x\}$ , then

$$Fd_1 = \{\bar{x}, (\bar{x}, x), (x, \bar{x}), (\bar{x}, x, x), (x, \bar{x}, x), (x, x, \bar{x}), \dots\}.$$

Define on the set

$$P = \{(a; b) \in N \times N \mid a \geq b\}$$

two binary operations  $\prec$  and  $\succ$  as follows:

$$(a; b) \prec (c; d) = (a + c; b),$$

$$(a; b) \succ (c; d) = (a + c; a + d).$$

**Proposition 2** (see [9, Lemma 4]). *The free dimonoid  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  of rank 1 is isomorphic to the dimonoid  $(P, \prec, \succ)$ .*

Further we will identify elements of the free dimonoid  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  with respective elements of the dimonoid  $(P, \prec, \succ)$ .

### 3 Endomorphisms of a free dimonoid of rank 1

For an arbitrary dimonoid  $\mathfrak{D} = (D, \dashv, \vdash)$ , by  $End(\mathfrak{D})$  we denote the semigroup of all endomorphisms of the dimonoid  $\mathfrak{D}$ . First of all, we describe the structure of endomorphisms of a free dimonoid of rank 1.

**Theorem 1.** *For any  $(k; l) \in P$  a transformation  $\xi_{k,l}$  of the free dimonoid  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  defined by  $(a; b)\xi_{k,l} = (ak; (b-1)k + l)$  is a monomorphism. Also every endomorphism of  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  has the above form.*

*Proof.* Fix an arbitrary pair  $(k; l) \in P$  and take  $(a; b), (c; d) \in Fd_1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} ((a; b) \prec (c; d))\xi_{k,l} &= (a + c; b)\xi_{k,l} = \\ &= ((a + c)k; (b - 1)k + l) = \\ &= (ak; (b - 1)k + l) \prec (ck; (d - 1)k + l) = \\ &= (a; b)\xi_{k,l} \prec (c; d)\xi_{k,l} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} ((a; b) \succ (c; d))\xi_{k,l} &= (a + c; a + d)\xi_{k,l} = \\ &= ((a + c)k; (a + d - 1)k + l) = \\ &= (ak; (b - 1)k + l) \succ (ck; (d - 1)k + l) = \\ &= (a; b)\xi_{k,l} \succ (c; d)\xi_{k,l}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\xi_{k,l} \in End(Fd_1)$  for all  $(k; l) \in P$ .

Suppose that  $(a; b)\xi_{k,l} = (c; d)\xi_{k,l}$  for some  $(a; b), (c; d) \in Fd_1$ . Then

$$(ak; (b-1)k+l) = (ck; (d-1)k+l),$$

whence  $a = c, b = d$ . Thus,  $\xi_{k,l}$  is a monomorphism for all  $(k; l) \in P$ .

Now, let  $\xi$  be an arbitrary endomorphism of  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  and  $(1; 1)\xi = (k; l)$ . By induction on  $a$ , we show that

$$(a; a)\xi = (ak; (a-1)k+l)$$

for all  $(a; a) \in Fd_1$ .

For  $a = 1$  this is obvious and for  $a = 2$  we have

$$(2; 2)\xi = ((1; 1) \succ (1; 1))\xi = (k; l) \succ (k; l) = (2k; k+l).$$

Assume that  $(n; n)\xi = (nk; (n-1)k+l)$  for some  $n \in N, n \geq 3$ . Then for  $a = n+1$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (n+1; n+1)\xi &= ((n; n) \succ (1; 1))\xi = \\ &= (n; n)\xi \succ (1; 1)\xi = (nk; (n-1)k+l) \succ (k; l) = \\ &= ((n+1)k; nk+l). \end{aligned}$$

So, by induction  $(a; a)\xi = (ak; (a-1)k+l)$  for all  $a \in N$ .

Finally, for all  $(a; b) \in Fd_1$ , where  $a > b$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (a; b)\xi &= ((b; b) \prec (a-b; a-b))\xi = \\ &= (b; b)\xi \prec (a-b; a-b)\xi = \\ &= (bk; (b-1)k+l) \prec ((a-b)k; (a-b-1)k+l) = \\ &= (ak; (b-1)k+l). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\xi = \xi_{k,l}$  and the theorem is proved.  $\square$

Further we consider a binary operation  $\circ$  on  $N$  defined as follows:

$$(a; b) \circ (c; d) = (ac; (b-1)c+d).$$

Note that if  $a \geq b, c \geq d$ , then  $ac = (a-1)c + c \geq (b-1)c + d$ . Therefore, the operation  $\circ$  is completed on the set  $P = \{(a; b) \in N \times N \mid a \geq b\}$  and so the algebra  $(P, \circ)$  is a semigroup.

**Theorem 2.** *The endomorphism semigroup  $\text{End}(Fd_1)$  of the free dimonoid  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  is isomorphic to the semigroup  $(P, \circ)$ .*

*Proof.* Define a mapping  $\Theta$  of  $End(Fd_1)$  into  $(P, \circ)$  by  $\xi_{k,l}\Theta = (k;l)$  for all  $\xi_{k,l} \in End(Fd_1)$ . Obviously,  $\Theta$  is a bijection.

Let  $\xi_{k,l}, \xi_{p,q} \in End(Fd_1)$  and  $(a;b) \in P$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (a;b)\xi_{k,l}\xi_{p,q} &= (ak; (b-1)k+l)\xi_{p,q} = \\ &= (akp; bkp - kp + lp - p + q) = \\ &= (akp; ((b-1)k+l-1)p+q) = \\ &= (a;b)\xi_{kp,lp-p+q}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\xi_{k,l}\xi_{p,q} = \xi_{kp,lp-p+q}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi_{k,l}\xi_{p,q})\Theta &= \xi_{kp,lp-p+q}\Theta = (kp; lp-p+q) = \\ &= (k;l) \circ (p;q) = \xi_{k,l}\Theta \circ \xi_{p,q}\Theta. \end{aligned}$$

□

We will identify elements of  $End(Fd_1)$  with respective elements of  $(P, \circ)$ . It is obvious that the automorphism group of  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  is trivial.

#### 4 Characteristics of the monoid $End(Fd_1)$

There is a number of algebras properties of which are determined by properties of their endomorphism semigroups. Definability conditions and some other characteristics for the endomorphism semigroup of a free semigroup (free monoid) and a free group were obtained in [7] and [8], respectively. An abstract characteristic for the endomorphism semigroup of a free group was described by V. M. Usenko [10].

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $X$  be a singleton set,  $Y$  be an arbitrary set and there exists an isomorphism  $\Theta : End(Fd(X)) \rightarrow End(Fd(Y))$ . Then free dimonoids  $(Fd(X), \dashv, \vdash)$  and  $(Fd(Y), \dashv, \vdash)$  are isomorphic.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $|\overline{Y}| \geq 2$  and  $y \in \overline{Y}$ . By  $E(Fd(X))$  and  $E(Fd(Y))$  we denote the set of all idempotents of  $End(Fd(X))$  and, respectively,  $End(Fd(Y))$ . Since  $\Theta$  is an isomorphism, then  $E(Fd(X))\Theta = E(Fd(Y))$ .

For arbitrary  $(k;l) \in Fd(X)$ , we have  $(k;l) \in E(Fd(X))$  if and only if  $(k^2; (l-1)k+l) = (k;l)$ , whence  $k=l=1$ . Thus,  $|E(Fd(X))| = 1$ .

Define a transformation  $\varphi_y$  of  $\overline{Y}$  by the rule:  $t\varphi_y = y$  for all  $t \in \overline{Y}$ . Further we extend  $\varphi_y$  to a transformation  $\Phi_y$  of the dimonoid  $(Fd(Y), \dashv, \vdash)$  which is defined as follows:

$$(u_1, \dots, \overline{u_i}, \dots, u_k)\Phi_y = u_1\varphi_y \vdash \dots \vdash \overline{u_i}\varphi_y \dashv \dots \dashv u_k\varphi_y$$

for all  $(u_1, \dots, \overline{u_i}, \dots, u_k) \in Fd(Y)$ .

Thus, for all  $t \in \overline{Y}$  we have

$$t\Phi_y^2 = (t\Phi_y)\Phi_y = y\Phi_y = y = t\Phi_y,$$

whence  $\Phi_y^2 = \Phi_y$ . Taking into account the identity automorphism of  $End(Fd(Y))$ , we obtain  $|E(Fd(Y))| \geq 3$  that contradicts the condition  $E(Fd(X))\Theta = E(Fd(Y))$ . So,  $|\overline{Y}| = 1$  and  $(Fd(X), \dashv, \vdash)$ ,  $(Fd(Y), \dashv, \vdash)$  are isomorphic dimonoids.  $\square$

In addition, the semigroup  $End(Fd_1)$  can be represented as a semilattice of some their subsemigroups. Indeed, let

$$P_1 = \{(1; 1)\}, P_2 = (N \setminus \{1\}) \times \{1\},$$

$$P_3 = \{(n; n) | n \in N, n \neq 1\}$$

and

$$P_4 = \{(m; n) \in N \times N | m > n, n \neq 1\}.$$

It is obvious that each of sets  $P_i, 1 \leq i \leq 4$ , is a subsemigroup of the monoid  $End(Fd_1)$ . We put  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and define on  $\Omega$  the following operation:

$$1 \cdot i = i = i \cdot 1, \quad 4 \cdot i = 4 = i \cdot 4 \quad \text{and}$$

$$i \cdot i = i, \quad 2 \cdot 3 = 4 = 3 \cdot 2 \quad (1 \leq i \leq 4).$$

It is easy to see that  $(\Omega, \cdot)$  is a commutative semigroup of idempotents, that is a semilattice.

**Proposition 3.** *The monoid  $End(Fd_1)$  is a semilattice  $(\Omega, \cdot)$  of semigroups  $P_i, i \in \Omega$ . Moreover,  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  are isomorphic to the free commutative semigroup with the countably infinite set of free generators that are prime numbers.*

*Proof.* Define a mapping  $\eta$  of  $End(Fd_1)$  onto  $(\Omega, \cdot)$  as follows:

$$(a; b)\eta = i, \quad \text{if } (a; b) \in P_i.$$

A direct check shows that  $\eta$  is a homomorphism and semigroups  $P_2, P_3$  and the multiplicative semigroup  $(N \setminus \{1\}, \cdot)$  are isomorphic.  $\square$

Further we describe an abstract characteristic of  $End(Fd_1)$ . Recall that an ideal  $I$  of a semigroup  $S$  is called *densely embedded* (see [11, 12]) if every nontrivial homomorphism (that is not an isomorphism) of  $S$  induces a nontrivial homomorphism of  $I$ , and for every semigroup  $T$  such that  $S \subset T$  and  $I$  is an ideal of  $T$ , there exists a nontrivial homomorphism of  $T$  which induces an isomorphism on  $I$ .

A semigroup  $S$  is called *reductive on the left* if for  $a, b \in S$  the condition  $ua = ub$  for all  $u \in S$ , implies  $a = b$ . If for a semigroup  $S$  there do not exist distinct  $a_1, a_2$  such that  $a_1x = a_2x, xa_1 = xa_2$  for all  $x \in S$ , then  $S$  is called a *weakly reductive semigroup*. It is clear that every reductive on the left semigroup is weakly reductive.

Let  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$  be the symmetric semigroup of all transformations on  $X$  and  $S$  be an arbitrary semigroup. As is well known, a homomorphism

$$\rho : S \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}(S) : t \mapsto \rho_t,$$

where  $u\rho_t = ut$  for all  $u \in S$ , is called a *regular representation* of  $S$ .

For every ideal  $I$  of a semigroup  $S$ , a regular representation  $\rho$  induces the following representation:

$$\rho^I : S \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}(I) : t \mapsto \rho_t|_I,$$

where  $\rho_t|_I$  is the restriction of  $\rho_t \in \mathfrak{S}(S)$  to  $I$ .

An ideal  $I$  of a semigroup  $S$  is called *essential* [10] if the induced regular representation  $\rho^I$  is an injective mapping.

**Proposition 4** (see [10]). *For an ideal  $I$  of a semigroup  $S$  the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $I$  is essential;
- (ii)  $I$  is densely embedded and reductive on the left.

For an arbitrary semigroup  $S$ , by  $T(S)$  we denote the translation hull (see, e. g., [12]) of  $S$  and by  $T_0(S)$  the inner part of  $T(S)$ . If  $S$  is a weakly reductive semigroup, then  $S$  is isomorphic to  $T_0(S)$ .

Finally, we obtain an abstract characteristic for the endomorphism semigroup of a free dimonoid of rank 1.

**Theorem 4.** *An arbitrary semigroup  $S$  is isomorphic to the endomorphism semigroup  $End(Fd_1)$  of the free dimonoid  $(Fd_1, \dashv, \vdash)$  if and only if  $S$  contains a densely embedded ideal isomorphic to the semigroup  $P_4$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $S \cong End(Fd_1)$ , then  $S$  contains up to isomorphism the semigroup  $P_4$ . From Proposition 3 it follows that  $P_4$  is an ideal of  $End(Fd_1)$ . We show that the ideal  $P_4$  is essential.

Suppose there exist  $(a; b), (c; d) \in End(Fd_1)$  for which  $(a; b)\rho^{P_4} = (c; d)\rho^{P_4}$ , that is  $\rho_{(a; b)}|_{P_4} = \rho_{(c; d)}|_{P_4}$ .

Then for all  $(x; y) \in P_4$  we have

$$(a; b)(x; y) = (c; d)(x; y),$$

$$(ax; (b-1)x + y) = (cx; (d-1)x + y),$$

whence  $a = c$ ,  $b = d$  by reductivity of the multiplicative monoid  $(N, \cdot)$ . Therefore,  $\rho^{P_4}$  is injective and then  $P_4$  is an essential ideal. Thus, by Proposition 4,  $P_4$  is a densely embedded ideal for the semigroup  $End(Fd_1)$ .

Conversely, let a semigroup  $S$  contain a densely embedded ideal  $I$  isomorphic to  $P_4$ . Then as is known [11],  $T(P_4) \cong End(Fd_1)$  and  $T(I) \cong S$ , whence  $S$  and  $End(Fd_1)$  are isomorphic.  $\square$

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