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## Characterization of monoids by condition $(P_E)$

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**Abstract.** In this paper first we recall condition  $(P_E)$  and then will give general properties and a characterization of monoids for which all right acts satisfy this condition. Finally, we give a characterization of monoids, by comparing this property of their acts with some others.

#### 1. Introduction

For a monoid S, with 1 as its identity, a set A (we consider nonempty) is called a right S-act, usually denoted by  $A_S$  (or simply A), if S on A unitarian from the right, that is, there exists a mapping  $A \times S \to A$ ,  $(a, s) \mapsto as$ , satisfying the conditions a(st) = (as)t and a1 = a, for all  $a \in A$  and all  $s, t \in S$ . Let A, B be two right S-acts. A mapping  $f : A \to B$  is called a homomorphism of right S-acts or just an S-homomorphism if f(as) = f(a)s for  $a \in A, s \in S$ . The set of all S-homomorphisms from A into B will be denoted by Hom(A, B). Also **Act-**S is the category of right S-acts.

In [4], introduced condition  $(P_E)$  and it is shown that this condition implies weak flatness, but the converse is true when S is left PP and in [3] gave a classification of monoid by this condition of (finitely generated, cyclic, monocyclic, Rees factor) right acts.

In this paper, we recall condition  $(P_E)$  and we continue the investigation of this condition. At first we give general properties of this condition. Finally, we will give a characterization of monoids S over which all right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$  and also a characterization of monoids S for which this condition of right S-acts has some other properties and vice versa.

We refer the reader to [5, 6], for basic definitions and terminologies relating to semigroups and acts over monoids and to [8], for definitions and results on flatness which are used here.

### 2. General properties

In this section we recall condition  $(P_E)$  and give some results of it.

Recall from [3] that a right S-act A satisfies condition (P), if for all  $a, a' \in A$ ,  $s, s' \in S$ ,  $as = a's' \Rightarrow (\exists a'' \in A)(\exists u, v \in S)(a = a''u, a' = a''v \text{ and } us = vs')$ .

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It satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , if for all  $a, a' \in A$ ,  $s, s' \in S$ ,  $as = a's' \Rightarrow (\exists a'' \in A)(\exists u, v \in S)(\exists e, f \in E(S))$  (ae = a''ue, a'f = a''vf, es = s, fs' = s' and us = vs'). It is clear that condition (P) implies condition  $(P_E)$ .

We can easily seen that right S-act A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$  if and only if as = a's', for  $a, a' \in A$ ,  $s, s' \in S$ , implies that there exist  $a'' \in A$ ,  $u, v \in S$  and  $e, f \in E(S)$  such that ae = a''u, a'f = a''v, es = s, fs' = s' and us = vs'.

According to the equivalent definition for condition  $(P_E)$  expressed above, theorem 2.5 of [3], can be written as follows.

For a right congruence  $\rho$  on a monoid S,  $S/\rho$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$  if and only if  $(xs)\rho(yt)$ , for  $x, y, s, t \in S$ , implies that there exist  $u, v \in S$  and  $e, f \in E(S)$ such that  $(xe)\rho u$ ,  $(yf)\rho v$ , es = s, ft = t and us = vt.

We recall from [6] that a monoid S is called right reversible if for every  $s, s' \in S$ , there exist  $u, v \in S$  such that us = vs'.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let S be a monoid and A be a right S-act. Then:

- 1. S satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .
- 2.  $\Theta$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$  if and only if S is right reversible.
- 3. Let  $I \neq \emptyset$  and  $A = \coprod_{i \in I} A_i$ , where  $A_i$ ,  $i \in I$ , are right S-acts. Then A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$  if and only if each  $A_i$ ,  $i \in I$ , satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .
- 4. Let  $\{B_i | i \in I\}$  be a nonempty chain of subacts of A. If every  $B_i$ ,  $i \in I$ , satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} B_i$  as a subact of A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .
- 5. If A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , then every retract of A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .

*Proof.* The proofs are straightforward.

# 3. Characterization by condition $(\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{E}})$ of right acts

In this section we give a characterization of monoids S by condition  $(P_E)$  of right S-acts. Also, we give a characterization of monoids, by comparing condition  $(P_E)$  of their acts with some others.

We recall [6] that a right ideal K of a monoid S satisfies condition (LU) if for every  $k \in K$ , there exists  $l \in K$  such that lk = k.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let K be any proper right ideal of a monoid S. If the right S-act  $S \coprod^K S$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , then K satisfies condition (LU).

*Proof.* All right S-acts satisfying condition  $(P_E)$  are weakly flat, by [4, Theorem 2.3]. Thus K satisfies condition (LU), by [6, III, Proposition 12.19].

Recall from [4, 6] that a monoid S is called a left PP monoid if every principal left ideal of S is projective. Therefore, a monoid S is left PP if and only if for every  $s \in S$  there exists an idempotent e of S such that es = s and  $ker\rho_s \leq ker\rho_e$ . A right S-act A is called weakly flat (WF), if the functor  $A \otimes_S -$  preserves all embeddings of left ideals into S.

**Theorem 3.2.** For a proper right ideal K of a monoid S, the following statements are equivalent:

(1) All right S-acts of the form  $S \coprod^K S$  satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .

(2) S is regular.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Suppose  $s \in S$ . If sS = S then it is obvious that s is regular. Otherwise sS is a proper right ideal of monoid S and  $S \coprod^{sS} S$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , by assumption. So by Theorem 3.1, sS satisfies condition (LU). Then there exists  $l \in sS$  such that ls = s. Hence s is regular, and so, S is regular.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Suppose K is any proper right ideal of the monoid S and  $k \in K$ . By assumption there exists  $k' \in S$  such that k = kk'k, that is, the ideal K satisfies condition (*LU*). So by [6, III, Proposition 12.19],  $S \coprod^K S$  is weakly flat. Since S is regular, it is left *PP*. Then by [4, Theorem 2.5],  $S \coprod^K S$  satisfies condition (*P<sub>E</sub>*).

Recall from [6], [8], [10] and [2] that a right S-act A satisfies condition (E), if for all  $a \in A$ ,  $s, s' \in S$ ,

$$as = as' \Rightarrow (\exists a' \in A)(\exists u \in S)(a = a'u \text{ and } us = us').$$

A satisfies condition (E'), if for all  $a \in A$ ,  $s, s', z \in S$ ,

$$(as = as', sz = s'z) \Rightarrow (\exists a' \in A)(\exists u \in S)(a = a'u \text{ and } us = us').$$

A satisfies condition (EP), if for all  $a \in A$ ,  $s, s' \in S$ ,

$$as = as' \Rightarrow (\exists a' \in A)(\exists u, u' \in S)(a = a'u = a'u' \text{ and } us = u's').$$

A satisfies condition (E'P), if for all  $a \in A$ ,  $s, s', z \in S$ ,

 $(as = as', sz = s'z) \Rightarrow (\exists a' \in A)(\exists u, u' \in S)(a = a'u = a'u' \text{ and } us = u's').$ 

**Theorem 3.3.** For any monoid S the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) All right S-acts satisfying condition (E'P) satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (2) All right S-acts satisfying condition (E') satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (3) All right S-acts satisfying condition (EP) satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (4) All right S-acts satisfying condition (E) satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (5) S is regular.

*Proof.* Since  $(E) \Rightarrow (EP) \Rightarrow (E'P)$  and  $(E) \Rightarrow (E') \Rightarrow (E'P)$ , implications  $(1) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (4)$  and  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (4)$  are obvious.

 $(4) \Rightarrow (5)$ . If  $s \in S$ , and sS = S then s is regular. Now let  $sS \neq S$  Then

$$A = S \coprod^{sS} S = \{(l, x) | l \in S \setminus sS\} \ \dot{\cup} \ sS \ \dot{\cup} \ \{(t, y) | t \in S \setminus sS\}$$

is a right S-act and

 $B = \{(l, x) | l \in S \setminus sS\} \ \dot{\cup} \ sS \cong S \cong \{(t, y) | t \in S \setminus sS\} \ \dot{\cup} \ sS = C.$ 

Since  $A = B \cup C$  is generated by exactly two elements (1, x) and (1, y) and S satisfies condition (E), subacts B and C of A satisfy condition (E), so A satisfies condition (E). Then by assumption A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ . Thus the equality (1, x)s = (1, y)s, implies that there exist  $a \in A$ ,  $u, v \in S$  and  $e, f \in E(S)$ , such that (1, x)e = au, (1, y)f = av, us = vs and es = s = fs. Now (1, x)e = au and (1, y)f = av imply that at least one of elements e or f is belong to sS. If  $e \in sS$  then there exists  $s' \in S$  such that e = ss', and so, s = es = ss's, that is, s is regular. Similarly, we can show that s is regular, if  $f \in sS$ . Therefore S is regular.

 $(5) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Since S is regular, by [2, Theorem 2.8] all right S-acts satisfying condition (E'P) are weakly flat. Also every regular monoid is left PP, and so, by [4, Theorem 2.5] condition  $(P_E)$  and weakly flat are equivalent. Hence all right S-acts satisfying condition (E'P) satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .

By the proof of Theorem 3.3, we conclude that the above theorem is true for finitely generated right S-acts and also right S-acts generated by at most (exactly) two elements. Moreover, by [4, Theorem 2.5], if in Theorem 3.3, we replace condition  $(P_E)$  by weakly flat, then theorem is still true. In addition this theorem is true for finitely generated right S-acts, and also, right S-acts generated by at most (exactly) two elements.

Recall from [6] that a right S-act A is called principally weakly flat (PWF) if the functor  $A \otimes_S -$ , preserves all embeddings of principal left ideals into S. An act  $A_S$  is called torsion free (TF) if for any  $a, b \in A$  and for any right cancellable element  $u \in S$ , the equality au = bu implies a = b.

Also we recall from [10] that a right S-act A is called  $\mathfrak{R}$ -torsion free ( $\mathfrak{R}$ -TF) if for any  $a, b \in A$  and  $u \in S$ , u right cancellable, au = bu and  $a \mathfrak{R} b$  ( $\mathfrak{R}$  is Green's equivalence) imply that a = b.

**Theorem 3.4.** For any monoid S the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) All right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (2) All  $\Re$ -torsion free right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (3) S is regular and satisfies condition
  - (R): for any elements  $s, t \in S$  there exists  $w \in Ss \cap St$  such that  $w\rho(s, t)s$ .

*Proof.* Implication  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  is obvious.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . By [10, Proposition 1.2] all right S-acts satisfying condition (E) are  $\mathfrak{R}$ -torsion free. Therefore all right S-acts satisfying condition (E) satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ , by assumption. Hence, S is regular, by Theorem 3.3. Then by [6, IV, Theorem 6.6], all right S-acts are PWF. Since  $PWF \Rightarrow TF \Rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ -TF, then all right S-acts are  $\mathfrak{R}$ -torsion free, and so, by assumption, all right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ . Therefore by [3, Theorem 2.1], S is regular and satisfies condition (R).

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . It is obvious, by [3, Theorem 2.1].

It is clear that the theorem above is also true for finitely generated right S-acts and right S-acts generated by at most (exactly) two elements.

Recall from [6] that an element  $a \in A_S$  is called divisible by  $s \in S$  if there exists  $b \in A$ , such that bs = a. An act  $A_S$  is called divisible if every element of A is divisible by any left cancellable element of S.

Notation:  $C_l$  ( $C_r$ ) is the set of all left (right) cancellable elements of S

**Theorem 3.5.** For any monoid S the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) All right S-acts are divisible.
- (2) All monocyclic right S-acts satisfying condition  $(P_E)$ , are divisible.
- (3) Sc = S for every  $c \in C_l$ .

*Proof.* Implication  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  is obvious.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . By part (2.1) of Theorem 2.1,  $S_S$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$  therefore by assumption, for every  $x \in S$ ,  $S_S \cong S/\Delta_S = S/\rho_{(x,x)}$  is divisible, that is, Sc = Sfor all  $c \in C_l$ .

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . It is obvious, by [6, III, Proposition 2.2].

We recall from [6] that a right S-act A is (strongly) faithful if for  $s, t \in S$  the equality as = at, for (some) all  $a \in A$ , implies that s = t. It is obvious that every strongly faithful right S-act is faithful, but the converse is not true in generally.

In [1, Lemma 2.10], there exists at least one strongly faithful cyclic right (left) S-act if and only if  $S_S$  ( $_SS$ ) is a strongly faithful right (left) S-act, which it is equivalent to S is left (right) cancellative monoid.

**Theorem 3.6.** For any monoid S the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) All strongly faithful right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (2) S is not a left cancellative monoid or S is regular.
- (3) S is not a left cancellative monoid or S is group.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). If S is not left cancellative, the result follows. Otherwise, if sS = S, for  $s \in S$ , then s is regular. Now let  $sS \neq S$ . Then

$$A = S \coprod_{s} S = \{(l, x) | l \in S \setminus sS\} \ \dot{\cup} \ sS \ \dot{\cup} \ \{(t, y) | t \in S \setminus sS\}$$

is a right S-act and

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$$B = \left\{ (l, x) | l \in S \setminus sS \right\} \ \cup \ sS \cong S \cong \left\{ (t, y) | t \in S \setminus sS \right\} \ \cup \ sS = C.$$

Since S is left cancellative, it is strongly faithful. Therefore B and C are strongly faithful as subacts of A. Thus A is strongly faithful, and so, it satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , by assumption. Now by the proof  $(4) \Rightarrow (5)$  of Theorem 3.3, S is regular.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . If S is left cancellative, then it is regular. Thus for every  $s \in S$ , there exists  $x \in S$  such that sxs = s, which implies xs = 1. Hence for every  $s \in S$ , Ss = S, and so, S is group.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . If S is not left cancellative, then we are done, because, by [1, Lemma 2.10], there exists no strongly faithful right S-act. Otherwise, since S is group, all right S-acts satisfy condition (P), by [6, IV, Theorem 9.10], and so, all right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .

It is clear that above theorem is true for finitely generated right S-acts and also right S-acts generated by two elements.

We recall from [9] that a right S-act A is called almost weakly flat if A is principally weakly flat and satisfies condition

(W') If as = a't and  $Ss \cap St \neq \emptyset$  for  $a, a' \in A, s, t \in S$ , then there exist  $a'' \in A$ ,  $u \in Ss \cap St$  such that as = a't = a''u.

**Theorem 3.7.** For any monoid S the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) All generator right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (2) All finitely generated generator right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (3) All generator right S-acts generated by at most three elements satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (4)  $S \times A$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , for every generator right S-act A.
- (5)  $S \times A$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , for every finitely generated generator right S-act A.
- (6)  $S \times A$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , for every generator right S-act generated by at most three elements A.
- (7)  $S \times A$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , for every right S-act A.
- (8)  $S \times A$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , for every finitely generated right S-act A.
- (9)  $S \times A$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , for every right S-act A generated by at most two elements.
- (10) A right S-act A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , if  $Hom(A, S) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (11) A finitely generated right S-act A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , if  $Hom(A, S) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (12) A right S-act A generated by at most two elements satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , if  $Hom(A, S) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (13) All right S-acts are almost weakly flat.
- (14) S is regular and S satisfies condition bellow:

$$(\forall s, t \in S) (Ss \cap St \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow (\exists w \in Ss \cap St; 1(ker\lambda_s \lor ker\lambda_t)w)).$$

*Proof.* The implications  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$ ,  $(4) \Rightarrow (5) \Rightarrow (6)$ ,  $(7) \Rightarrow (8) \Rightarrow (9)$ ,  $(10) \Rightarrow (11) \Rightarrow (12)$  and  $(7) \Rightarrow (4)$  are obvious.

(13)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (14). By [9, Theorem 3.4] all generators are weakly flat, and so, it is obvious, by [9, Theorem 3.8].

 $(1) \Rightarrow (7)$ . Let A be a right S-act. It is obvious that the mapping  $\pi : S \times A \to S$ , where  $\pi(s, a) = s$ , for  $a \in A$  and  $s \in S$ , is an epimorphism in Act-S, and so by [6, II, Theorem 3.16],  $S \times A$  is a generator. Thus  $S \times A$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , by assumption.

 $(12) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Let A be a generator right S-act and as = a't for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $s, t \in S$ . If  $B = aS \cup a'S$ . It is obvious that B is a subact of A and generated by at most two elements. Since A is generator, there exists an epimorphism  $\pi : A \to S$  in Act-S. So  $\pi_{|_B} : B \to S$  is a homomorphism in Act-S, and so,  $Hom(B, S) \neq \emptyset$ . Thus, by assumption, B satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ . Therefore equality as = a't in B, implies that there exist  $a'' \in B \subseteq A$ ,  $u, v \in S$  and  $e, f \in E(S)$  such that ae = a''u, a'f = a''v, us = vt, es = s and ft = t. Hence, A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .

 $(6) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Let A be a generator right S-act and as = a't for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $s, t \in S$ . Since A is generator, there exists an epimorphism  $\pi : A \to S$  in Act-S. Let  $\pi(z) = 1$  and  $B = aS \cup a'S \cup zS$ . It is obvious that B is a subact of A and generated by at most three elements. Since  $\pi_{|_B} : B \to S$  is an epimorphism in Act-S, by [6, II, Theorem 3.16], B is a generator. Thus, by assumption,  $S \times B$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ . If  $\pi(a) = l, \pi(a') = l'$  then equality as = a't in B, implies equality (l, a)s = (l', a')t in  $S \times B$ . Hence, by definition, there exist  $(w, a'') \in S \times B$ ,  $u, v \in S$  and  $e, f \in E(S)$  such that (l, a)e = (w, a'')u, (l', a')f = (w, a'')v, us = vt, es = s and ft = t. Thus, ae = a''u, a'f = a''v, us = vt, es = s and ft = t. Hence, A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Let A be a generator right S-act and as = a't for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $s, t \in S$ . Since A is generator, there exists an epimorphism  $\pi : A \to S$  in Act-S. Let  $\pi(z) = 1$  and  $B = aS \cup a'S \cup zS$ . It is obvious that B is a subact of A and generated by at most three elements. Since  $\pi_{|_B} : B \to S$  is an epimorphism in Act-S, by [6, II, Theorem 3.16], B is a generator. Thus, by assumption, B satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ . Therefore equality as = a't in B, implies that there exist  $a'' \in B \subseteq A, u, v \in S$  and  $e, f \in E(S)$  such that ae = a''u, a'f = a''v, us = vt, es = s and ft = t. Hence, A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .

 $(1) \Rightarrow (13)$ . By [4, Theorem 2.3], condition  $(P_E)$  implies weakly flat. So by assumption all generator right *S*-acts are weakly flat. Then by [9, Theorem 3.4] all right *S*-acts are almost weakly flat.

 $(13) \Rightarrow (1)$ . By [9, Theorem 3.4] all generator right *S*-acts are weakly flat. Thus, by [9, Theorem 3.8], *S* is regular, and so, *S* is left *PP*. Then by [4, Theorem 2.5], condition (*P<sub>E</sub>*) and weakly flat are equivalent, the result follows.

 $(9) \Rightarrow (10)$ . Let for right S-act A,  $Hom(A, S) \neq \emptyset$  and as = a't for  $a, a' \in A$ and  $s, t \in S$ . If  $B = aS \cup a'S$  then B is a subact of A and generated by at most two elements. Since  $Hom(A, S) \neq \emptyset$  let  $f : A \to S$  be a homomorphism in Act-S. Now equality as = a't in A implies equality (f(a), a)s = (f(a'), a')t in  $S \times B$ . Since by assumption  $S \times B$ , satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , there exist  $(w, a'') \in S \times B$ ,  $u, v \in S$  and  $e, f \in E(S)$  such that (f(a), a)e = (w, a'')u, (f(a'), a')f = (w, a'')v, us = vt, es = s and ft = t. Then ae = a''u, a'f = a''v, us = vt, es = s and ft = t. Hence, A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .

Recall [6] that a right S-act Q is injective (Inj), if for any monomorphism  $\iota : A \to B$  and any homomorphism  $f : A \to Q$  there exists a homomorphism  $\overline{f} : B \to Q$  such that  $f = \overline{f}\iota$ . It is called (fg-) weakly injective ((fg-)WI), if it is injective relative to all embeddings of (finitely generated) right ideals into S.

Recall [7] that for elements  $u, v \in S$ , the relation  $P_{u,v}$  is defined on S as

$$P_{u,v} = \left\{ (x,y) \in S \times S | ux = vy \right\}.$$

For  $s, t \in S$ , let  $\mu_{s,t} = ker\lambda_s \vee ker\lambda_t$ .

For any right ideal I of S let  $\rho_I$  denote the right Rees congruence, i.e., for x, y in S,

$$(x,y) \in \rho_I \iff x = y \text{ or } x, y \in I$$

**Theorem 3.8.** For any monoid S the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) All fg-weakly injective right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (2) All weakly injective right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (3) All injective right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (4) All cofree right S-acts satisfy condition  $(P_E)$ .
- (5)  $(\forall s, t \in S) \ (\exists u, v \in S) (\exists e_1, e_2 \in E(S)); (e_1s = s, e_2t = t \land us = vt) and the following conditions hold$ 
  - (i)  $P_{ue_1,ve_2} \subseteq P_{e_1,s} \circ \mu_{s,t} \circ P_{t,e_2}$ ,
  - (*ii*)  $ker\lambda_u \cap (e_1S \times e_1S) \subseteq \rho_{sS}$ ,
  - (*iii*)  $ker\lambda_v \cap (e_2S \times e_2S) \subseteq \rho_{tS}$ .

*Proof.* Implications  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (4)$  are obvious, because  $cofree \Rightarrow Inj \Rightarrow WI \Rightarrow fg - WI$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5). Let  $s, t \in S$  and  $S_1, S_2$  be two distinct sets, where  $|S_1| = |S_2| = |S|$ , and  $\alpha : S \to S_1, \beta : S \to S_2$  are bijections. Put  $X = (S/\mu_{s,t}) \stackrel{.}{\cup} S_1 \stackrel{.}{\cup} S_2$ , and define the mappings  $f, g : S \to X$  as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} [y]_{\mu_{s,t}} & \text{if there exists } y \in S; \ x = sy \\ \alpha(x) & if \ x \in S \setminus sS \end{cases}$$
$$g(x) = \begin{cases} [y]_{\mu_{s,t}} & \text{if there exists } y \in S; \ x = ty \\ \beta(x) & if \ x \in S \setminus tS. \end{cases}$$

We show that f is well-defined. For this, suppose that  $sy_1 = sy_2$ , for  $y_1, y_2 \in S$ , hence  $(y_1, y_2) \in ker\lambda_s \subseteq ker\lambda_s \lor ker\lambda_t = \mu_{s,t}$  and so  $[y_1]_{\mu_{s,t}} = [y_2]_{\mu_{s,t}}$ , that is,  $f(sy_1) = [y_1]_{\mu_{s,t}} = [y_2]_{\mu_{s,t}} = f(sy_2)$  and so f is well-defined. Similarly, g is well-defined.

Since fs = gt, and  $X^S = \{h : S \to X\}$  satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ , there exist mapping  $h : S \to X$ ,  $u, v \in S$  and  $e_1, e_2 \in E(S)$  such that  $fe_1 = hu$ ,  $ge_2 = hv$ ,  $e_1s = s$ ,  $e_2t = t$  and us = vt. So  $fe_1 = hue_1$ ,  $ge_2 = hve_2$ ,  $e_1s = s$ ,  $e_2t = t$  and us = vt. Let  $(l_1, l_2) \in P_{ue_1, ve_2}$ , for  $l_1, l_2 \in S$ , then:

$$(fe_1)l_1 = (hue_1)l_1 = h(ue_1l_1) = h(ve_2l_2) = (hve_2)l_2 = (ge_2)l_2 = g(e_2l_2)$$

So by the definitions f and g there exist  $y_1, y_2 \in S$  such that  $e_1l_1 = sy_1$  and  $e_2l_2 = ty_2$  so  $f(e_1l_1) = f(sy_1) = [y_1]_{\mu_{s,t}}$  and  $g(e_2l_2) = g(ty_2) = [y_2]_{\mu_{s,t}}$ . Then  $[y_1]_{\mu_{s,t}} = [y_2]_{\mu_{s,t}}$  implies  $(y_1, y_2) \in \mu_{s,t}$ . Therefore

$$\begin{split} e_1 l_1 &= sy_1 \Rightarrow (l_1, y_1) \in P_{e_1, s} \\ (y_1, y_2) &\in \mu_{s, t} \\ e_2 l_2 &= ty_2 \Rightarrow (y_2, l_2) \in P_{t, e_2} \end{split} \Rightarrow (l_1, l_2) \in P_{e_1, s} \circ \mu_{s, t} \circ P_{t, e_2} \end{split}$$

that is,  $P_{ue_1,ve_2} \subseteq P_{e_1,s} \circ \mu_{s,t} \circ P_{t,e_2}$ , and so (i) is proved.

Now let  $(t_1, t_2) \in ker\lambda_u \cap (e_1S \times e_1S)$ , for  $t_1, t_2 \in S$ . So  $ut_1 = ut_2$  and there exist  $w_1, w_2 \in S$  such that  $t_1 = e_1w_1$  and  $t_2 = e_1w_2$ . So  $ue_1w_1 = ut_1 = ut_2 = ue_1w_2$ . Then  $f(e_1w_1) = (fe_1)w_1 = (hue_1)w_1 = h(ue_1w_1) = h(ue_1w_2) = (hue_1)w_2 = (fe_1)w_2 = f(e_1w_2)$ .

According to the definition of f of the last equality, two cases can be considered. Case 1.  $e_1w_1, e_1w_2 \in S \setminus sS$  then:  $f(e_1w_1) = f(e_1w_2) \Rightarrow \alpha(e_1w_1) = \alpha(e_1w_2) \Rightarrow \alpha(e_1w_2)$ 

 $e_1w_1 = e_1w_2 \Rightarrow t_1 = t_2 \Rightarrow (t_1, t_2) \in \rho_{sS}$ Case 2.  $e_1w_1, e_1w_2 \in sS$  then there exist  $y_1, y_2 \in S$  such that  $e_1w_1 = sy_1$  and

 $e_1w_2 = sy_2$  so  $(t_1, t_2) = (e_1w_1, e_1w_2) = (sy_1, sy_2) \in (sS \times sS) \cup \Delta_S = \rho_{sS}$ . Thus  $ker\lambda_u \cap (e_1S \times e_1S) \subseteq \rho_{sS}$ . Similarly (*iii*).

 $(5) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Suppose that A is an fg-weakly injective right S-act and let as = a't, for  $a, a' \in A$  and  $s, t \in S$ . By assumption, there exist  $u, v \in S$  and  $e_1, e_2 \in E(S)$  such that  $e_1s = s$ ,  $e_2t = t$  and us = vt and conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) hold.

$$\varphi: ue_1S \cup ve_2S \to A \qquad x \mapsto \begin{cases} ae_1p & \exists p \in S: \ x = ue_1p, \\ a'e_2q & \exists q \in S: \ x = ve_2q. \end{cases}$$

First we show that  $\varphi$  is well-defined. If there exist  $p, q \in S$  such that  $ue_1p = ve_2q$ , then  $(p,q) \in P_{ue_1,ve_2}$ . So by condition (i), there exist  $y_1, y_2 \in S$  such that  $(p,y_1) \in P_{e_1,s}, (y_1,y_2) \in \mu_{s,t}$  and  $(y_2,q) \in P_{t,e_2}$ . Then  $e_1p = sy_1, e_2q = ty_2$  and  $(y_1,y_2) \in ker\lambda_s \lor ker\lambda_t = \mu_{s,t}$ . By this last relation, there exist  $z_1, \ldots, z_n \in S$  such that:

 $sy_1 = sz_1$ ,  $sz_2 = sz_3$ , ...  $sz_{n-1} = sz_n$ ,  $tz_1 = tz_2$ , ...  $tz_n = ty_2$ and so

$$ae_1p = asy_1 = asz_1 = a'tz_1 = a'tz_2 = \dots = a'tz_n = a'ty_2 = a'e_2q.$$

Now let  $p_1, p_2 \in S$  such that  $ue_1p_1 = ue_1p_2$ , then  $(e_1p_1, e_1p_2) \in ker\lambda_u \cap (e_1S \times e_1S)$ and so by  $(ii), e_1p_1 = e_1p_2$  or there exist  $y_1, y_2 \in S$  such that  $e_1p_1 = sy_1$  and  $e_1p_2 = sy_2$ . If  $e_1p_1 = e_1p_2$  then  $ae_1p_1 = ae_1p_2$ . If  $e_1p_1 = sy_1$  and  $e_1p_2 = sy_2$  then  $usy_1 = ue_1p_1 = ue_1p_2 = usy_2 = vty_2$  and so,  $ue_1sy_1 = ve_2ty_2$  then  $(sy_1, ty_2) \in P_{ue_1,ve_2}$ . So by condition (i), there exist  $l_1, l_2 \in S$  such that  $(sy_1, l_1) \in P_{e_1,s}$ ,  $(l_1, l_2) \in \mu_{s,t}$  and  $(l_2, ty_2) \in P_{t,e_2}$ . Then  $sy_1 = e_1sy_1 = sl_1$ ,  $ty_2 = e_2ty_2 = tl_2$  and  $(l_1, l_2) \in ker\lambda_s \lor ker\lambda_t = \mu_{s,t}$ . Thus, there exist  $z'_1, ..., z'_m \in S$  such that:

 $sl_1 = sz'_1, \quad sz'_2 = sz'_3, \quad \dots \quad sz'_{m-1} = sz'_m, \quad tz'_1 = tz'_2, \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad tz'_m = tl_2$ 

and so

 $ae_1p_1 = asy_1 = asl_1 = asz'_1 = a'tz'_1 = a'tz'_2 = \dots = a'tz'_m = a'tl_2 = a'ty_2 = asy_2 = ae_1p_2$ 

If there exist  $q_1, q_2 \in S$  such that  $ve_2q_1 = ve_2q_2$ , then by conditions (i) and (iii), with a similar argument  $a'e_2q_1 = a'e_2q_2$ . Thus,  $\varphi$  is well-defined, and obviously it is a homomorphism. Since by assumption, A is an fg-weakly injective right S-act, there exists a homomorphism  $\psi: S \to A$  such that  $\psi|_{ue_1S \cup ve_2S} = \varphi$ .

Let  $a'' = \psi(1)$ , then  $ae_1 = \varphi(ue_1) = \psi(ue_1) = \psi(1)ue_1 = a''ue_1$  and  $a'e_2 = \varphi(ve_2) = \psi(ve_2) = \psi(1)ve_2 = a''ve_2$ . that is, A satisfies condition  $(P_E)$ .

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