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# On one class of algebras

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ABSTRACT. In this paper a g-dimonoid which is isomorphic to the free g-dimonoid is given and a free n-nilpotent g-dimonoid is constructed. We also present the least n-nilpotent congruence on a free g-dimonoid and give numerous examples of g-dimonoids.

## 1. Introduction

Recall that a dialgebra (dimonoid) [1] is a vector space (set) with two binary operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  satisfying the axioms  $(x \dashv y) \dashv z = x \dashv (y \dashv z) (D1)$ ,  $(x \dashv y) \dashv z = x \dashv (y \vdash z) (D2)$ ,  $(x \vdash y) \dashv z = x \vdash (y \dashv z) (D3)$ ,  $(x \dashv y) \vdash z = x \vdash (y \vdash z) (D4)$ ,  $(x \vdash y) \vdash z = x \vdash (y \vdash z) (D5)$ . In our time dimonoids are standard tool in the theory of Leibniz algebras. So, for example, free dimonoids were used for constructing free dialgebras and for studying a cohomology of dialgebras. There exist papers devoted to studying structural properties of dimonoids (see, e.g., [2 - 4]). If in the definition of a dialgebra delete the axioms (D1), (D3), (D5), then we obtain a 0-dialgebra which was considered in [5]. Algebras obtained from the definition of a dimonoid by deleting the axioms (D2) and (D4) were considered in [6]. In the last paper the free object in the corresponding variety was constructed. Observe that dimonoids are closely connected with restrictive bisemigroups considered by B.M. Schein [7]. In [8–11] the notions of interassociativity, respectively,

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strong interassociativity, related semigroups and doppelalgebras which are naturally connected with dimonoids were considered. Another reason for interest in dimonoids is their connection with *n*-tuple semigroups which were used in [12] for studying properties of *n*-tuple algebras of associative type. If in the definition of a dimonoid delete the axiom (D3), then we obtain an algebraic system which is called a *g*-dimonoid (see [13, 14]).

In this paper g-dimonoids are studied. In Section 2 we give numerous examples of g-dimonoids. In Section 3 we suggest a new concrete representation of a free g-dimonoid using the construction of a free gdimonoid from [14]. The main result of this section was announced in [13]. In Section 4 the construction of a free n-nilpotent g-dimonoid is given. Moreover, here we characterize the least n-nilpotent congruence on a free g-dimonoid.

### 2. Examples of *g*-dimonoids

In this section we give different examples of g-dimonoids.

a) Obviously, any dimonoid is a *g*-dimonoid.

b) Let X be an arbitrary nonempty set, |X| > 1 and let  $X^*$  be the set of all finite nonempty words in the alphabet X. Denoting the first (respectively, the last) letter of a word  $w \in X^*$  by  $w^{(0)}$  (respectively, by  $w^{(1)}$ ), define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on  $X^*$  by  $w \dashv u = w^{(0)}$ ,  $w \vdash u = u^{(1)}$  for all  $w, u \in X^*$ . From the proof of Theorem 2 [2] it follows that  $(X^*, \dashv, \vdash)$  is a g-dimonoid but not a dimonoid.

c) Let  $\{D_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of arbitrary g-dimonoids  $D_i$ ,  $i \in I$ , and let  $\overline{\prod}_{i \in I} D_i$  be a set of all functions  $f: I \to \bigcup_{i \in I} D_i$  such that  $if \in D_i$  for any  $i \in I$ .

It is easy to prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.**  $\overline{\prod}_{i \in I} D_i$  with multiplications defined by

$$i(f_1 \dashv f_2) = if_1 \dashv if_2, \ i(f_1 \vdash f_2) = if_1 \vdash if_2,$$
(1)

where  $i \in I, f_1, f_2 \in \overline{\prod}_{i \in I} D_i$ , is a g-dimonoid.

The obtained algebra is called the Cartesian product of g-dimonoids  $D_i$ ,  $i \in I$ . If I is finite, then the Cartesian product and the direct product coincide. The Cartesian product of a finite number of g-dimonoids  $D_1$ ,  $D_2, ..., D_n$  is denoted by  $D_1 \times D_2 \times ... \times D_n$ . In particular, the Cartesian power of a g-dimonoid can be defined as follows. Let V be an arbitrary g-dimonoid and X be any nonempty set. Denote by Map(X; V) the set of

all maps  $X \to V$ . Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on Map(X; V) by (1) for all  $f_1, f_2 \in Map(X; V)$  and  $i \in X$ . Then  $(Map(X; V), \dashv, \vdash)$  is a g-dimonoid which is called the Cartesian power of V.

d) As usual,  $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of all positive integers.

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Let F[X] be the free semigroup in an alphabet X. We denote the length of a word  $w \in F[X]$  by l(w). Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and define operations  $\dashv$ and  $\vdash$  on  $F[X] \times \mathbb{N}$  by

$$(w_1, m_1) \dashv (w_2, m_2) = (w_1 w_2, n),$$
  
 $(w_1, m_1) \vdash (w_2, m_2) = (w_1 w_2, l(w_1) + m_2)$ 

for all  $(w_1, m_1)$ ,  $(w_2, m_2) \in F[X] \times \mathbb{N}$ . Denote the algebra  $(F[X] \times \mathbb{N}, \dashv, \vdash)$  by  $X \mathbb{N}_n$ .

**Lemma 2.** The algebra  $X\mathbb{N}_n$  is a g-dimonoid but not a dimonoid.

*Proof.* One can directly verify that  $X\mathbb{N}_n$  is a g-dimonoid. Show that it is not a dimonoid. For all  $(w_1, m_1), (w_2, m_2), (w_3, m_3) \in X\mathbb{N}_n$  obtain

$$((w_1, m_1) \vdash (w_2, m_2)) \dashv (w_3, m_3) = (w_1 w_2, l(w_1) + m_2) \dashv (w_3, m_3) =$$
$$= (w_1 w_2 w_3, n) \neq (w_1 w_2 w_3, l(w_1) + n) = (w_1, m_1) \vdash (w_2 w_3, n) =$$
$$= (w_1, m_1) \vdash ((w_2, m_2) \dashv (w_3, m_3)).$$

e) Let S be an arbitrary semigroup,  $a, b \in S$ . By  $E_S$  denote the set of all idempotents of S. Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on S by

$$x \dashv y = ax, \quad x \vdash y = by$$

for all  $x, y \in S$ . Denote the algebra  $(S, \dashv, \vdash)$  by S(a, b).

**Lemma 3.** Let S be an arbitrary right cancellative semigroup,  $a, b \in E_S$ .

(i) If a and b are non-commuting, then S(a,b) is a g-dimonoid but not a dimonoid.

(ii) If a and b are commuting, then S(a,b) is a dimonoid.

*Proof.* (i) The axioms (D1), (D2), (D4), (D5) are checked directly. Besides,

$$(x \vdash y) \dashv z = by \dashv z = aby, \quad x \vdash (y \dashv z) = x \vdash ay = bay$$

for all  $x, y, z \in S$ . Suppose that aby = bay. Then, using the right cancellability, obtain ab = ba. Thus, we arrive at a contradiction, i.e., the

assumption that aby = bay does not hold. Consequently, S(a, b) is not a dimonoid.

(ii) If a and b are commuting, then, obviously, all axioms of a dimonoid hold.  $\hfill \Box$ 

f) Let S be an arbitrary semigroup,  $a, b \in S$ . Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on S by

$$x \dashv y = xa, \quad x \vdash y = yb$$

for all  $x, y \in S$ . Denote the algebra  $(S, \dashv, \vdash)$  by S[a, b].

Similarly to Lemma 3, the following lemma can be proved.

**Lemma 4.** Let S be an arbitrary left cancellative semigroup,  $a, b \in E_S$ .

(i) If a and b are non-commuting, then S[a,b] is a g-dimonoid but not a dimonoid.

(ii) If a and b are commuting, then S[a, b] is a dimonoid.

g) Let S be an arbitrary semigroup,  $a, b \in S$ . Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on S by

$$x \dashv y = axb, \quad x \vdash y = ayb$$

for all  $x, y \in S$ . Denote the algebra  $(S, \dashv, \vdash)$  by S(a, b].

The following lemma could be proved immediately.

**Lemma 5.** If  $a, b \in E_S$ , then S(a, b] is a dimonoid.

h) Let Y be an arbitrary nonempty set,  $S = S_Y$  be some monoid defined on the set of finite words in the alphabet Y and  $\theta \in S$  be an empty word which is a unit of S. Denote the operation on S by \* and the length of a word  $w \in S$  by l(w). By definition  $l(\theta) = 0$ ,  $u^0 = \theta$  for all  $u \in S$ . Fix elements  $a, b \in Y, k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$ on S, assuming

 $u_1 \dashv u_2 = u_1 * a^{l(u_2)+k}, \qquad u_1 \vdash u_2 = u_2 * b^{l(u_1)+k}$ 

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in S$ . The obtained algebra will be denoted by  $S_a^b(k)$ .

**Lemma 6.** Let T be the free monoid in the alphabet Y. Then for any  $a, b \in Y, k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  the algebra  $T_a^b(k)$  is a g-dimonoid. If  $a \neq b$ , then it is not a dimonoid.

*Proof.* Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in T_a^b(k)$ . In order to prove that  $T_a^b(k)$  is a g-dimonoid we consider the following cases.

Case 1. Let  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ . Then  $u_1 \dashv (u_2 \dashv u_3) = u_1 \dashv (u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k}) =$   $= u_1 * a^{l(u_2 a^{l(u_3)+k})+k} = u_1 * a^{l(u_2)+l(u_3)+2k} =$   $= u_1 * a^{l(u_2)+k} * a^{l(u_3)+k} = (u_1 * a^{l(u_2)+k}) \dashv u_3 = (u_1 \dashv u_2) \dashv u_3,$   $u_1 \dashv (u_2 \vdash u_3) = u_1 \dashv (u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+k}) =$   $= u_1 * a^{l(u_3 b^{l(u_2)+k})+k} = u_1 * a^{l(u_3)+l(u_2)+2k},$   $u_1 \vdash (u_2 \vdash u_3) = u_1 \vdash (u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+k}) =$   $= u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+k} * b^{l(u_1)+k} = u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+l(u_1)+2k} =$   $= u_3 * b^{l(u_2 b^{l(u_1)+k})+k} = (u_2 * b^{l(u_1)+k}) \vdash u_3 = (u_1 \vdash u_2) \vdash u_3,$   $(u_1 \dashv u_2) \vdash u_3 = (u_1 * a^{l(u_2)+k}) \vdash u_3 =$  $= u_3 * b^{l(u_1 a^{l(u_2)+k})+k} = u_3 * b^{l(u_1)+l(u_2)+2k}.$ 

Case 2. Let  $u_1 = u_2 = u_3 = \theta$ . Then

$$\begin{array}{l} \theta \dashv (\theta \dashv \theta) = \theta \dashv (\theta \ast a^{l(\theta)+k}) = \theta \dashv a^{k} = \theta \ast a^{l(a^{k})+k} = a^{2k} = \\ = a^{k} \ast a^{l(\theta)+k} = a^{k} \dashv \theta = (\theta \ast a^{l(\theta)+k}) \dashv \theta = (\theta \dashv \theta) \dashv \theta, \\ \theta \dashv (\theta \vdash \theta) = \theta \dashv (\theta \ast b^{l(\theta)+k}) = \theta \dashv b^{k} = \theta \ast a^{l(b^{k})+k} = a^{2k}, \\ \theta \vdash (\theta \vdash \theta) = \theta \vdash (\theta \ast b^{l(\theta)+k}) = \theta \vdash b^{k} = b^{k} \ast b^{l(\theta)+k} = b^{2k} = \\ = \theta \ast b^{l(b^{k})+k} = b^{k} \vdash \theta = (\theta \ast b^{l(\theta)+k}) \vdash \theta = (\theta \vdash \theta) \vdash \theta, \\ (\theta \dashv \theta) \vdash \theta = (\theta \ast a^{l(\theta)+k}) \vdash \theta = a^{k} \vdash \theta = \theta \ast b^{l(a^{k})+k} = b^{2k}. \end{array}$$

Case 3. Let  $u_1 = \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \theta \dashv (u_2 \dashv u_3) &= \theta \dashv (u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k}) = \theta * a^{l(u_2 a^{l(u_3)+k})+k} = a^{l(u_2)+l(u_3)+2k} = \\ &= a^{l(u_2)+k} * a^{l(u_3)+k} = (\theta * a^{l(u_2)+k}) \dashv u_3 = (\theta \dashv u_2) \dashv u_3, \\ \theta \dashv (u_2 \vdash u_3) &= \theta \dashv (u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+k}) = \theta * a^{l(u_3 b^{l(u_2)+k})+k} = a^{l(u_2)+l(u_3)+2k}, \\ \theta \vdash (u_2 \vdash u_3) &= \theta \vdash (u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+k}) = u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+k} * b^{l(\theta)+k} = u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+2k} = \\ &= u_3 * b^{l(u_2 * b^{l(\theta)+k})+k} = (u_2 * b^{l(\theta)+k}) \vdash u_3 = (\theta \vdash u_2) \vdash u_3, \\ (\theta \dashv u_2) \vdash u_3 &= (\theta * a^{l(u_2)+k}) \vdash u_3 = u_3 * b^{l(a^{l(u_2)+k})+k} = u_3 * b^{l(u_2)+2k}. \end{split}$$

Case 4. Let  $u_1 = \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 = \theta$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \theta &\dashv (u_2 \dashv \theta) = \theta \dashv (u_2 * a^{l(\theta) + k}) = \theta \dashv (u_2 * a^k) = \theta * a^{l(u_2 * a^k) + k} = a^{l(u_2) + 2k} = \\ &= a^{l(u_2) + k} * a^{l(\theta) + k} = (\theta * a^{l(u_2) + k}) \dashv \theta = (\theta \dashv u_2) \dashv \theta, \\ \theta \dashv (u_2 \vdash \theta) = \theta \dashv (\theta * b^{l(u_2) + k}) = \theta * a^{l(b^{l(u_2) + k}) + k} = a^{l(u_2) + 2k}, \\ \theta \vdash (u_2 \vdash \theta) = \theta \vdash (\theta * b^{l(u_2) + k}) = b^{l(u_2) + k} * b^{l(\theta) + k} = b^{l(u_2) + 2k} = \\ &= \theta * b^{l(u_2 * b^k) + k} = (u_2 * b^{l(\theta) + k}) \vdash \theta = (\theta \vdash u_2) \vdash \theta, \\ (\theta \dashv u_2) \vdash \theta = (\theta * a^{l(u_2) + k}) \vdash \theta = \theta * b^{l(a^{l(u_2) + k}) + k} = b^{l(u_2) + 2k}. \end{split}$$

The cases  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 = \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ ;  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 = \theta$ ;  $u_1 = u_2 = \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ ;  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 = u_3 = \theta$  are considered in a similar way.

Thus,  $T_a^b(k)$  is a g-dimonoid.

Finally, show that  $T_a^b(k)$  is not a dimonoid when  $a \neq b$ . For  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$  and  $u_3 \neq \theta$  we have

$$(u_1 \vdash u_2) \dashv u_3 = (u_2 * b^{l(u_1)+k}) \dashv u_3 = u_2 * b^{l(u_1)+k} * a^{l(u_3)+k} = u_2 b^{l(u_1)+k} a^{l(u_3)+k} \neq u_2 a^{l(u_3)+k} b^{l(u_1)+k} = u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k} * b^{l(u_1)+k} = u_1 \vdash (u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k}) = u_1 \vdash (u_2 \dashv u_3)$$

and so, the axiom (D3) of a dimonoid does not hold.

The following lemma gives an answer on the question when  $S_a^b(k)$  is a dimonoid.

**Lemma 7.** Let M be the free commutative monoid in the alphabet Y. For any  $a, b \in Y$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  algebras  $M_a^b(k)$  and  $T_a^a(k)$  are dimonoids.

*Proof.* From Lemma 6 it follows that  $M_a^b(k)$  satisfies the axioms (D1), (D2), (D4), (D5). Show that the axiom (D3) also holds.

Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in M_a^b(k)$ . Consider the following eight cases. Case 1. Let  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ . Then

$$(u_1 \vdash u_2) \dashv u_3 = (u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k}) \dashv u_3 = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^{l(u_3) + k} =$$

$$= u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k} * b^{l(u_1)+k} = u_1 \vdash (u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k}) = u_1 \vdash (u_2 \dashv u_3).$$

Case 2. Let  $u_1 = u_2 = u_3 = \theta$ . Then

$$(\theta\vdash\theta) \dashv\theta = (\theta*b^{l(\theta)+k}) \dashv\theta = b^k \dashv\theta = b^k*a^{l(\theta)+k} = b^k*a^k = b^k d\theta = b^k d\theta$$

$$= a^k * b^k = a^k * b^{l(\theta)+k} = \theta \vdash a^k = \theta \vdash (\theta * a^{l(\theta)+k}) = \theta \vdash (\theta \dashv \theta).$$

Case 3. Let  $u_1 = \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ . Then

$$(\theta \vdash u_2) \dashv u_3 = (u_2 * b^{l(\theta) + k}) \dashv u_3 = u_2 * b^{l(\theta) + k} * a^{l(u_3) + k} = u_2 * b^k * a^{l$$

$$= u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k} * b^k = u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k} * b^{l(\theta)+k} = \theta \vdash (u_2 * a^{l(u_3)+k}) = \theta \vdash (u_2 \dashv u_3).$$

Case 4. Let  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 = \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ . Then

$$(u_1 \vdash \theta) \dashv u_3 = (\theta * b^{l(u_1)+k}) \dashv u_3 = b^{l(u_1)+k} * a^{l(u_3)+k} = a^{l(u_3)+k} * b^{l(u_1)+k} = u_1 \vdash (\theta * a^{l(u_3)+k}) = u_1 \vdash (\theta \dashv u_3).$$

Case 5. Let  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 = \theta$ . Then

$$(u_1 \vdash u_2) \dashv \theta = (u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k}) \dashv \theta = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^{l(\theta) + k} = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^k = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^{l(\theta) + k} = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^{l(\theta) + k} = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^{l(\theta) + k} = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^{l(\theta) + k} = u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + k} * a^{l(\theta) + k} = u_2 *$$

$$= u_2 * a^k * b^{l(u_1)+k} = u_1 \vdash (u_2 * a^{l(\theta)+k}) = u_1 \vdash (u_2 \dashv \theta)$$

Case 6. Let  $u_1 = u_2 = \theta$ ,  $u_3 \neq \theta$ . Then

$$(\theta \vdash \theta) \dashv u_3 = (\theta * b^{l(\theta)+k}) \dashv u_3 = b^k \dashv u_3 = b^k * a^{l(u_3)+k} =$$

$$= a^{l(u_3)+k} * b^k = a^{l(u_3)+k} * b^{l(\theta)+k} = \theta \vdash (\theta * a^{l(u_3)+k}) = \theta \vdash (\theta \dashv u_3).$$

Case 7. Let  $u_1 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_2 = u_3 = \theta$ . Then

$$(u_1 \vdash \theta) \dashv \theta = (\theta * b^{l(u_1)+k}) \dashv \theta = b^{l(u_1)+k} * a^{l(\theta)+k} = b^{l(u_1)+k} * a^k = a^k * b^{l(u_1)+k} = u_1 \vdash a^k = u_1 \vdash (\theta * a^{l(\theta)+k}) = u_1 \vdash (\theta \dashv \theta) .$$

Case 8. Let  $u_1 = \theta$ ,  $u_2 \neq \theta$ ,  $u_3 = \theta$ . Then

$$(\theta \vdash u_2) \dashv \theta = (u_2 * b^{l(\theta)+k}) \dashv \theta = u_2 * b^k * a^{l(\theta)+k} = u_2 * b^k * a^k = u_2 * a^k * b^k = u_2 * a^k * b^{l(\theta)+k} = \theta \vdash (u_2 * a^{l(\theta)+k}) = \theta \vdash (u_2 \dashv \theta).$$

Thus,  $M_a^b(k)$  is a dimonoid. A proof is the same for  $T_a^a(k)$ .

Note that independence of axioms of a g-dimonoid follows from independence of axioms of a dimonoid (see [2], Theorem 2).

#### 3. Free *g*-dimonoids

In this section we construct a g-dimonoid which is isomorphic to the free g-dimonoid of an arbitrary rank and consider separately free g-dimonoids of rank 1.

A nonempty subset A of a g-dimonoid  $(D, \dashv, \vdash)$  is called a g-subdimonoid, if for any  $a, b \in D$ ,  $a, b \in A$  implies  $a \dashv b, a \vdash b \in A$ .

Note that the class of all *g*-dimonoids is a variety as it is closed under taking of homomorphic images, *g*-subdimonoids and Cartesian products. A *g*-dimonoid which is free in the variety of all *g*-dimonoids is called a free *g*-dimonoid.

In order to prove the main result of this section we need the construction of a free g-dimonoid from [14].

Let e be an arbitrary symbol. Consider the following sets:

$$I^{1} = \{e\}, \quad I^{n} = \{(\varepsilon_{1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{n-1}) \mid \varepsilon_{k} \in \{0, 1\}, 1 \leq k \leq n-1\}, \quad n > 1,$$
$$I = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} I^{n}.$$

If l = 0, we will regard the sequence  $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_l$  without brackets as empty, and the sequence  $(\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_l)$  with brackets as e. Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on I by

$$(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{n-1}) \dashv (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{m-1}) = (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{n-1}, \underbrace{1, 1, \dots, 1}_m),$$
$$(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{n-1}) \vdash (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{m-1}) = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{m-1}, \underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0}_n).$$

By Lemma 3 from [14]  $(I, \dashv, \vdash)$  is a *g*-dimonoid. Observe that  $e \dashv e = (1)$ ,  $e \vdash e = (0)$  and  $(I, \dashv, \vdash)$  is not a dimonoid.

Let X be an arbitrary nonempty set and F[X] be the free semigroup in the alphabet X. Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on  $FG = \{(w, \varepsilon) | w \in F[X], \varepsilon \in I^{l(w)}\}$  by

$$(w_1,\varepsilon) \dashv (w_2,\xi) = (w_1w_2,\varepsilon \dashv \xi),$$
$$(w_1,\varepsilon) \vdash (w_2,\xi) = (w_1w_2,\varepsilon \vdash \xi)$$

for all  $(w_1, \varepsilon), (w_2, \xi) \in FG$ . The algebra  $(FG, \dashv, \vdash)$  is denoted by FG[X]. By Theorem 4 from [14] FG[X] is the free g-dimonoid.

Using notations from Section 2, introduce the set

$$XT_a^b(k) = \{(w, u) \in F[X] \times T_a^b(k) \,|\, l(w) - l(u) = 1\}.$$

If s = 1, we will regard the sequence  $y_1y_2...y_{s-1} \in T_a^b(k)$  as  $\theta$ . The main result of this section is the following.

**Theorem 1.** The g-dimonoid  $XT_a^b(1)$  is free if |Y| = 2 and  $a \neq b$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 1  $F[X] \times T_a^b(k)$  is a g-dimonoid. It is not difficult to check that  $XT_a^b(1)$  is a g-subdimonoid of  $F[X] \times T_a^b(1)$ .

Let |Y| = 2 and  $a \neq b$ . Let us show that  $XT_a^b(1)$  is free. Take  $(x_1x_2...x_s, y_1y_2...y_{s-1}) \in XT_a^b(1)$ , where  $x_i \in X$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s$ ,  $y_j \in Y$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq s-1$ , and define a map

$$\pi: XT_a^b(1) \to FG[X]:$$

$$(x_1x_2...x_s, y_1y_2...y_{s-1}) \mapsto (x_1x_2...x_s, y_1y_2...y_{s-1})\pi,$$

assuming

$$(x_1x_2...x_s, y_1y_2...y_{s-1})\pi = (x_1x_2...x_s, (\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, ..., \tilde{y}_{s-1})),$$

where

$$\widetilde{y}_i = \begin{cases} 1, \ y_i = a, \\ 0, \ y_i = b \end{cases}$$

for all  $1 \leq i \leq s-1$ ,  $s \neq 1$ , and  $(\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, ..., \tilde{y}_{s-1})$  is e for s = 1. Show that  $\pi$  is an isomorphism.

For all

$$(x_1x_2...x_s, y_1y_2...y_{s-1}), (a_1a_2...a_m, b_1b_2...b_{m-1}) \in XT_a^b(1),$$

where  $a_i \in X, 1 \leq i \leq m, b_j \in Y, 1 \leq j \leq m-1$ , obtain

$$((x_1 x_2 \dots x_s, y_1 y_2 \dots y_{s-1}) \dashv (a_1 a_2 \dots a_m, b_1 b_2 \dots b_{m-1})) \pi = = (x_1 x_2 \dots x_s a_1 a_2 \dots a_m, y_1 y_2 \dots y_{s-1} * a^m) \pi = = \left( x_1 x_2 \dots x_s a_1 a_2 \dots a_m, (\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \dots, \tilde{y}_{s-1}, \underbrace{\tilde{a}, \tilde{a}, \dots, \tilde{a}}_m) \right) = = \left( x_1 x_2 \dots x_s a_1 a_2 \dots a_m, (\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \dots, \tilde{y}_{s-1}, \underbrace{1, 1, \dots, 1}_m) \right) = = (x_1 x_2 \dots x_s, (\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \dots, \tilde{y}_{s-1})) \dashv (a_1 a_2 \dots a_m, (\tilde{b}_1, \tilde{b}_2, \dots, \tilde{b}_{m-1})) = = (x_1 x_2 \dots x_s, y_1 y_2 \dots y_{s-1}) \pi \dashv (a_1 a_2 \dots a_m, b_1 b_2 \dots b_{m-1}) \pi,$$

$$((x_1x_2\dots x_s, y_1y_2\dots y_{s-1}) \vdash (a_1a_2\dots a_m, b_1b_2\dots b_{m-1}))\pi =$$

$$= (x_1x_2\dots x_sa_1a_2\dots a_m, b_1b_2\dots b_{m-1} * b^s)\pi =$$

$$= \left(x_1x_2\dots x_sa_1a_2\dots a_m, (\tilde{b}_1, \tilde{b}_2, \dots, \tilde{b}_{m-1}, \underline{0}, \underline{0}, \underline{0}, \underline{0})\right) =$$

$$= (x_1x_2\dots x_s, (\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \dots, \tilde{y}_{s-1})) \vdash (a_1a_2\dots a_m, (\tilde{b}_1, \tilde{b}_2, \dots, \tilde{b}_{m-1})) =$$

$$= (x_1x_2\dots x_s, y_1y_2\dots y_{s-1})\pi \vdash (a_1a_2\dots a_m, b_1b_2\dots b_{m-1})\pi.$$

So,  $\pi$  is a homomorphism. Obviously,  $\pi$  is a bijection and thus,  $\pi$  is an isomorphism. Hence we obtain that  $XT_a^b(1)$  is the free g-dimonoid.  $\Box$ 

The following lemma gives one property of  $S_a^b(k)$ .

**Lemma 8.** If  $S_a^b(k)$  is a dimonoid, then  $a^k$  and  $b^k$  are commuting in S. Proof. Let  $S_a^b(k)$  be a dimonoid. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\theta \vdash \theta) \dashv \theta &= (\theta * b^{l(\theta)+k}) \dashv \theta = b^k \dashv \theta = b^k * a^{l(\theta)+k} = b^k * a^k, \\ \theta \vdash (\theta \dashv \theta) &= \theta \vdash (\theta * a^{l(\theta)+k}) = \theta \vdash a^k = a^k * b^{l(\theta)+k} = a^k * b^k \end{aligned}$$

and, using the axiom (D3), obtain  $b^k * a^k = a^k * b^k$ .

Now we construct a g-dimonoid which is isomorphic to the free g-dimonoid of rank 1.

Let  $|Y| = 2, a \neq b$ . Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{N}T}_a^b(1) = \{(m, u) \in \mathbb{N} \times T_a^b(1) \mid m - l(u) = 1\}$$

by

$$(m_1, u_1) \dashv (m_2, u_2) = (m_1 + m_2, u_1 * a^{l(u_2)+1}),$$
  
$$(m_1, u_1) \vdash (m_2, u_2) = (m_1 + m_2, u_2 * b^{l(u_1)+1})$$

for all  $(m_1, u_1), (m_2, u_2) \in \widetilde{\mathbb{NT}}_a^b(1)$ . By Lemma 1  $(\mathbb{N}, +) \times T_a^b(1)$  is a *g*-dimonoid. An immediate verification shows that operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  are well-defined. Thus,  $(\widetilde{\mathbb{NT}}_a^b(1), \dashv, \vdash)$  is a *g*-subdimonoid of  $(\mathbb{N}, +) \times T_a^b(1)$ . Denote it by  $\mathbb{NT}_a^b(1)$ .

**Lemma 9.** The free g-dimonoid of rank 1 is isomorphic to the g-dimonoid  $\mathbb{N}T_a^b(1)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X = \{r\}$ . An easy verification shows that a map

$$\xi: XT_a^b(1) \to \mathbb{N}T_a^b(1),$$

defined by  $\omega \xi = (k, u) \Leftrightarrow \omega = (r^k, u)$ , is an isomorphism.

#### 4. Free *n*-nilpotent *g*-dimonoids

In this section we construct a free n-nilpotent g-dimonoid of an arbitrary rank and consider separately free n-nilpotent g-dimonoids of rank 1. We also characterize the least n-nilpotent congruence on a free g-dimonoid.

An element 0 of a g-dimonoid  $(D, \dashv, \vdash)$  will be called zero, if  $x \star 0 = 0 = 0 \star x$  for all  $x \in D$  and  $\star \in \{\dashv, \vdash\}$ .

A g-dimonoid  $(D, \dashv, \vdash)$  with zero will be called nilpotent, if for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and any  $x_i \in D$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ , and  $*_j \in \{\dashv, \vdash\}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , any parenthesizing of

$$x_1 *_1 x_2 *_2 \dots *_n x_{n+1} \tag{2}$$

gives  $0 \in D$ . The least such n we shall call the nilpotency index of  $(D, \dashv, \vdash)$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  a nilpotent g-dimonoid of nilpotency index  $\leq k$  is said to be k-nilpotent.

Note that from (2) it follows that operations of any 1-nilpotent gdimonoid coincide and it is a zero semigroup.

It is not difficult to see that the class of all n-nilpotent g-dimonoids is a subvariety of the variety of all g-dimonoids. A g-dimonoid which is free in the variety of n-nilpotent g-dimonoids will be called a free n-nilpotent g-dimonoid.

Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and, using notations from Section 3, assume

$$G_n = \{(w, u) \in XT_a^b(1) \, | \, l(w) \leqslant n\} \cup \{0\} \quad (|Y| = 2, \, a \neq b)$$

Define operations  $\prec$  and  $\succ$  on  $G_n$  by

$$(w_1, u_1) \prec (w_2, u_2) = \begin{cases} \left( w_1 w_2, u_1 * a^{l(u_2)+1} \right), & l(w_1 w_2) \leq n, \\ 0, & l(w_1 w_2) > n, \end{cases}$$

$$(w_1, u_1) \succ (w_2, u_2) = \begin{cases} \left( w_1 w_2, u_2 * b^{l(u_1)+1} \right), & l(w_1 w_2) \leq n, \\ 0, & l(w_1 w_2) > n, \end{cases}$$

$$(w_1, u_1) \star 0 = 0 \star (w_1, u_1) = 0 \star 0 = 0$$

for all  $(w_1, u_1)$ ,  $(w_2, u_2) \in G_n \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\star \in \{\prec, \succ\}$ . The algebra  $(G_n, \prec, \succ)$  will be denoted by  $G_n(X)$ .

### **Theorem 2.** $G_n(X)$ is the free n-nilpotent g-dimonoid.

*Proof.* Prove that  $G_n(X)$  is a g-dimonoid. Let  $(w_1, u_1), (w_2, u_2), (w_3, u_3) \in G_n \setminus \{0\}$ . If  $l(w_1w_2) > n$  or  $l(w_2w_3) > n$ , then the proof is straightforward. The fact that axioms of a g-dimonoid hold when  $l(w_1w_2w_3) \leq n$  follows from Theorem 1. In the case  $l(w_1w_2) \leq n$ ,  $l(w_2w_3) \leq n$  and  $l(w_1w_2w_3) > n$  we have

$$((w_1, u_1) *_1 (w_2, u_2)) *_2 (w_3, u_3) = 0 = (w_1, u_1) *_1 ((w_2, u_2) *_2 (w_3, u_3))$$

for  $*_1, *_2 \in \{\prec, \succ\}$ . The proofs of the remaining cases are obvious. Thus,  $G_n(X)$  is a g-dimonoid.

For any  $(w_i, u_i) \in G_n \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ , and  $*_j \in \{\prec, \succ\}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , any parenthesizing of

$$(w_1, u_1) *_1 (w_2, u_2) *_2 \dots *_n (w_{n+1}, u_{n+1})$$

gives 0, hence  $G_n(X)$  is nilpotent. Moreover, for any  $(x_i, \theta) \in G_n \setminus \{0\}$ , where  $x_i \in X$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,

$$(x_1,\theta) \prec (x_2,\theta) \prec \ldots \prec (x_n,\theta) = (x_1x_2\ldots x_n, a^{n-1}) \neq 0.$$

It means that  $G_n(X)$  has nilpotency index n.

Let us show that  $G_n(X)$  is free in the variety of *n*-nilpotent *g*-dimonoids.

The g-dimonoid  $(\mathcal{G}(X), \dashv, \vdash)$  which is isomorphic to FG[X] from Section 3 was constructed in [14]. The corresponding isomorphism  $(\mathcal{G}(X), \dashv, \vdash) \to FG[X]$  is denoted by  $\sigma$  (see [14], Theorem 4). In the last paper for an arbitrary g-dimonoid  $(\mathcal{D}, \dashv, \vdash)$  the homomorphism  $\psi_0$ from  $(\mathcal{G}(X), \dashv, \vdash)$  to  $(\mathcal{D}, \dashv, \vdash)$  was given. We will call  $\psi_0$  as a canonical homomorphism. Observe that  $\psi_0$  sends an arbitrary term with elements  $x_1, ..., x_n$  to the product of some n elements from  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Let  $(P, \dashv', \vdash')$  be an arbitrary *n*-nilpotent *g*-dimonoid,  $\alpha$  be the canonical homomorphism from  $(\mathcal{G}(X), \dashv, \vdash)$  to  $(P, \dashv', \vdash')$  and  $\mu = \pi \sigma^{-1} \alpha$  (see Section 3). Obviously,  $\mu$  is a homomorphism from  $XT_a^b(1)$ , where  $|Y| = 2, a \neq b$ , to  $(P, \dashv', \vdash')$ . Define a map

$$\delta: G_n(X) \to (P, \dashv', \vdash'): \omega \mapsto \omega \delta,$$

assuming

$$\omega\delta = \begin{cases} \omega\mu, \ \omega \in G_n \setminus \{0\}, \\ 0, \ \omega = 0. \end{cases}$$

Show that  $\delta$  is a homomorphism.

Let  $\omega_1 = (x_1x_2...x_s, y_1y_2...y_{s-1}), \ \omega_2 = (a_1a_2...a_m, \ b_1b_2...b_{m-1}) \in G_n \setminus \{0\}$ , where  $x_i \in X, 1 \leq i \leq s, y_j \in Y, 1 \leq j \leq s-1, a_i \in X, 1 \leq i \leq m, b_j \in Y, 1 \leq j \leq m-1$ . Assume  $s+m \leq n$ . As  $\omega_1 \prec \omega_2 \in G_n \setminus \{0\}$ , then

$$(\omega_1 \prec \omega_2)\delta = (\omega_1 \prec \omega_2)\mu = (\omega_1 \dashv \omega_2)\mu = \omega_1\mu \dashv' \omega_2\mu = \omega_1\delta \dashv' \omega_2\delta.$$

Analogously,  $(\omega_1 \succ \omega_2)\delta = \omega_1 \delta \vdash' \omega_2 \delta$ . Taking into account the previous arguments, in the remaining cases the equalities

$$(\omega_1 \prec \omega_2)\delta = (\omega_1 \succ \omega_2)\delta = 0 = \omega_1 \delta \vdash' \omega_2 \delta = \omega_1 \delta \dashv' \omega_2 \delta$$

hold. Thus,  $\delta$  is a homomorphism.

The proof is complete.

Now we construct a g-dimonoid which is isomorphic to the free n-nilpotent g-dimonoid of rank 1.

Assume  $|Y| = 2, a \neq b$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{L}}_n = \{(m, u) \in \mathbb{N} \times T_a^b(1) \mid m - l(u) = 1, m \leqslant n\} \cup \{0\}$$

Define operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$  on  $\widetilde{\mathbb{L}}_n$  by the rule

$$(m_1, u_1) \dashv (m_2, u_2) = \begin{cases} (m_1 + m_2, u_1 * a^{l(u_2) + 1}), & m_1 + m_2 \leq n, \\ 0, & m_1 + m_2 > n, \end{cases}$$
$$(m_1, u_1) \vdash (m_2, u_2) = \begin{cases} (m_1 + m_2, u_2 * b^{l(u_1) + 1}), & m_1 + m_2 \leq n, \end{cases}$$

$$(m_1, u_1) \vdash (m_2, u_2) = \begin{cases} (m_1 + m_2, u_2) = 0, & m_1 + m_2 < n, \\ 0, & m_1 + m_2 > n, \end{cases}$$
$$(m_1, u_1) \star 0 = 0 \star (m_1, u_1) = 0 \star 0 = 0$$

for all  $(m_1, u_1), (m_2, u_2) \in \widetilde{\mathbb{L}}_n \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\star \in \{\dashv, \vdash\}$ . An immediate verification shows that axioms of a *g*-dimonoid hold concerning operations  $\dashv$  and  $\vdash$ . So,  $(\widetilde{\mathbb{L}}_n, \dashv, \vdash)$  is a *g*-dimonoid. Denote it by  $\mathbb{L}_n$ .

**Lemma 10.** If |X| = 1, then  $G_n(X) \cong \mathbb{L}_n$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X = \{r\}$ . An easy verification shows that a map  $\varrho : G_n(X) \to \mathbb{L}_n$ , defined by

$$\omega \varrho = \begin{cases} (k, u), \ \omega = (r^k, u), \\ 0, \qquad \omega = 0, \end{cases}$$

is an isomorphism.

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We finish this section with the description of the least n-nilpotent congruence on a free g-dimonoid.

If  $f: D_1 \to D_2$  is a homomorphism of g-dimonoids, then the corresponding congruence on  $D_1$  will be denoted by  $\Delta_f$ . If  $\rho$  is a congruence on a g-dimonoid  $(D, \dashv, \vdash)$  such that  $(D, \dashv, \vdash) / \rho$  is an n-nilpotent g-dimonoid, then we say that  $\rho$  is an n-nilpotent congruence.

Let  $XT_a^b(1)$  be the free g-dimonoid  $(|Y| = 2, a \neq b)$  (see Section 3). Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and define a relation  $\kappa(n)$  on  $XT_a^b(1)$  by

$$(w_1, u_1)\kappa(n)(w_2, u_2)$$
 if and only if  
 $(w_1, u_1) = (w_2, u_2)$  or  $l(w_1) > n, l(w_2) > n.$ 

**Theorem 3.** The relation  $\kappa(n)$  on the free g-dimonoid  $XT_a^b(1)$  is the least n-nilpotent congruence.

*Proof.* Define a map  $\tau: XT_a^b(1) \to G_n(X)$  by

$$(w,u)\tau = \begin{cases} (w,u), & l(w) \leq n, \\ 0, & l(w) > n, \end{cases} \quad (w,u) \in XT_a^b(1).$$

Similarly to the proof of Theorem 4 from [4], the facts that  $\tau$  is a surjective homomorphism and  $\Delta_{\tau} = \kappa(n)$  can be proved.

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