SUBDIRECTLY IRREDUCIBLE NON-IDEMPOTENT LEFT SYMMETRIC LEFT DISTRIBUTIVE GROUPOIDS

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ABSTRACT. We study groupoids satisfying the identities $x \cdot xy = y$ and $x \cdot yz = xy \cdot xz$. Particularly, we focus our attention at subdirectly irreducible ones, find a description a characterize small ones.

1. INTRODUCTION

A *left symmetric left distributive groupoid* (shortly an *LSLD groupoid*) is a nonempty set equipped with a binary operation (usually denoted multiplicatively) satisfying the equations:

(left symmetry)	$x \cdot xy = y$
(left distributivity)	$x \cdot yz = xy \cdot xz$

An LSLDI groupoid is an idempotent LSLD groupoid, i.e. an LSLD groupoid satisfying the equation xx = x. For example, given a group G, the derived operation $x * y = xy^{-1}x$, usually called the *core* of G, is left symmetric, left distributive and idempotent. LSLDI groupoids were introduced in [10] and they (and their applications) were studied by several authors mainly in 1970's and 1980's. A reader is referred to the survey [8] for details. For a long time, it seemed that the non-idempotent case did not play any significant role in self-distributive structures (whether symmetric or not). This was certainly true for the two-sided case, but recently, due to the book [2] of P. Dehornoy, one-sided non-idempotent selfdistributive groupoids enjoyed certain attention. The purpose of the present note is to continue the investigations of non-idempotent LSLD groupoids started in [4] and, in particular, to get a better insight into the structure of subdirectly irreducible ones. Our main results are Theorems 4.2, 4.3 and 5.9.

As far as we know, the only papers concerning non-idempotent LSLD groupoids are [4] and [9]. Subdirectly irreducible idempotent left symmetric medial groupoids were characterized by B. Roszkowska [7] and simple idempotent LSLD groupoids by D. Joyce [3].

Our notation is rather standard and usually follows the book [1]. A reader can look at [5] for various notions concerning groupoids (i.e. sets with a single binary operation).

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Let G be a groupoid. For every $a \in G$, we denote L_a the selfmapping of G defined by $L_a(x) = ax$ for all $x \in G$ and call it the *left translation by a* in G. By an *involution* we mean a permutation of order two.

Lemma 1.1. Let G be a groupoid. Then

- (1) G is LSLD, iff every left translation in G is either the identity, or an involutive automorphism of G;
- (2) if G is LSLD, then $L_{\varphi(a)} = \varphi L_a \varphi^{-1}$ for every $a \in G$ and every automorphism φ of G.
- (3) if G is LSLD, then the mapping $\lambda : a \mapsto L_a$ is a homomorphism of G into the core of the symmetric group over G.

Proof. (1) Left symmetry says that every left translation L_a satisfies $L_a^2 = id_G$. Left distributivity says that every L_a is an endomorphism.

(2) Since $\varphi L_a(b) = \varphi(ab) = \varphi(a)\varphi(b) = L_{\varphi(a)}\varphi(b)$ for every $a, b \in G$, we have $\varphi L_a = L_{\varphi(a)}\varphi$ and thus $L_{\varphi(a)} = \varphi L_a \varphi^{-1}$.

(3) It follows from (2) for
$$\varphi = L_a$$
 that $L_{ab} = L_a L_b L_a^{-1} = L_a L_b L_a$.

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Example. The following are all (up to an isomorphism) three-element idempotent LSLD groupoids. S_1 is a right zero groupoid, S_2 is a dual differential groupoid and S_3 is a commutative distributive quasigroup and it forms the smallest Steiner triple system. S_3 is simple and S_2 is subdirectly irreducible.

\mathbf{S}_1				\mathbf{S}_2				\mathbf{S}_3			
0				0	0	2	1	0	0	2	1
1	0	1	2	1					2		
2	0	1	2	2	0	1	2	2	1	0	2

Example. The following are all (up to an isomorphism) three-element non-idempotent LSLD groupoids. Both are subdirectly irreducible.

\mathbf{T}_1	e	0	$\widetilde{0}$	\mathbf{T}_2			
$e \\ 0, \widetilde{0}$	e	0	$\widetilde{0}$	e	e	$\widetilde{0}$	0
$0,\widetilde{0}$	e	$\widetilde{0}$	0	$e \\ 0, \widetilde{0}$	e	$\widetilde{0}$	0

Example. We define an operation \circ on the Prüfer 2-group $\mathbb{Z}_{2^{\infty}}(+)$ by $x \circ y = 2x - y + a$, where $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{2^{\infty}}$ is an element satisfying $a \neq 0 = 2a$. The groupoid $\mathbb{Z}_{2^{\infty}}(\circ)$ is an infinite subdirectly irreducible idempotent-free LSLD groupoid.

A non-empty subset J of a groupoid G is called a *left ideal* of G, if $ab \in J$ for every $a \in G$ and $b \in J$. Note that the set consisting of all left ideals in a left symmetric groupoid and the empty set is closed under intersection, union and complements. If $\{a\}$ is a left ideal of G, we call the element a right zero.

Let G be an LSLD groupoid. We put

$$Id_G = \{x \in G : xx = x\}$$
 and $K_G = \{x \in G : xx \neq x\}.$

Each of Id_G and K_G is either empty or a left ideal of G. Further, we define relations

$$p_G = \{(x, y) \in G \times G : L_x = L_y\} q_G = \{(a, b) \in Id_G \times Id_G : L_a|_{K_G} = L_b|_{K_G}\}$$

$$ip_G = \{(x, xx) : x \in G\} \cup id_G$$

and a mapping $o_G: G \to G$ by $o_G(x) = xx$.

Lemma 1.2. Let G be an LSLD groupoid. Then

- (1) p_G and q_G are congruences of G and $ip_G \subseteq p_G$;
- (2) ip_G is a congruence of G, G/ip_G is idempotent and ip_G is the smallest congruence such that the corresponding factor is idempotent; moreover, every non-trivial block of ip_G is isomorphic to \mathbf{T} ;
- (3) o_G is either the identity, or an involutive automorphism of G.

Proof. (1) The relation p_G is the kernel of the homomorphism λ from Lemma 1.1(3), hence it is a congruence.

The relation q_G is an equivalence, so consider $a, b \in Id_G$ such that $L_a|_{K_G} = L_b|_{K_G}$. Then $L_{az}|_{K_G} = L_{bz}|_{K_G}$ for all $z \in G$, since for every $k \in K_G$ we have $az \cdot k = a(z \cdot ak) = a(z \cdot bk) = b(z \cdot bk) = bz \cdot k$ (because $z \cdot bk \in K_G$). And also $L_{za}|_{K_G} = L_{zb}|_{K_G}$ for all $z \in G$, because for every $k \in K_G$ we have $za \cdot k = z(a \cdot zk) = z(b \cdot zk) = zb \cdot k$ (because $zk \in K_G$). Consequently, q_G is a congruence. Finally, $xy = x(x \cdot xy) = xx \cdot (x \cdot xy) = xx \cdot y$ for every $x, y \in G$ and thus

 $in_{G} \subseteq p_{G}.$

(2) Since $xx \cdot xx = x \cdot xx = x$ for every $x \in G$, the relation ip_G is symmetric and transitive and every non-trivial block of ip_G consists of two elements and thus is isomorphic to **T**. Further, $xz = xx \cdot z$ for every $z \in G$ due to (1) and $(zx, z \cdot xx) \in ip_G$ because $z \cdot xx = zx \cdot zx$; hence ip_G is a congruence. Clearly, G/ip_G is idempotent and ip_G is the smallest congruence with this property.

(3) o_G is an involution (or the identity) according to (2) and $o_G(xy) = xy \cdot xy = x \cdot yy = xx \cdot yy = o_G(x)o_G(y)$ for all $x, y \in G$.

Corollary 1.3. T *is the only (up to an isomorphism) simple non-idempotent LSLD groupoid.*

Let G be a groupoid, $e \notin G$ and $\varphi : G \to G$. We denote $G[\varphi]$ the groupoid defined on the set $G \cup \{e\}$ so that G is a subgroupoid of $G[\varphi]$, e is a right zero and $ex = \varphi(x)$ for every $x \in G$.

Lemma 1.4. Let G be an LSLD groupoid, $e \notin G$ and $\varphi : G \to G$. Then

- (1) $G[\varphi]$ is an LSLD groupoid, iff $\varphi = id_G$ or φ is an involutive automorphism of G with $L_x = L_{\varphi(x)}$ for all $x \in G$;
- (2) $G[id_G]$ and $G[o_G]$ are LSLD groupoids and $G[o_G][id_{G[o_G]}]$, $G[id_G][o_{G[id_G]}]$ are isomorphic.

Proof. This is a straightforward calculation.

Note that the three-element non-idempotent LSLD groupoids are isomorphic to $\mathbf{T}[id_{\mathbf{T}}]$ and $\mathbf{T}[o_{\mathbf{T}}]$, respectively. One can check that $(\mathbf{T}[id_{\mathbf{T}}])[o_{\mathbf{T}[id_{\mathbf{T}}]}]$ is the only four-element subdirectly irreducible non-idempotent LSLD groupoid.

The following technical lemmas become useful later.

 $\cup id_G$

Lemma 1.5. Let G be an LSLD groupoid and $\varphi \in \{id_G, o_G\}$. Then the set $A_{\varphi} = \{a \in G : L_a = \varphi\}$ is either empty, or a left ideal of G.

Proof. Let $a \in A_{\varphi}$. By Lemma 1.1 $L_{xa} = L_x L_a L_x$ for every $x \in G$. If $L_a = \varphi = id_G$, then $L_{xa} = L_x L_x = id_G = \varphi$. If $L_a = \varphi = o_G$, then $L_{xa}(y) = xo_G(xy) = x(xy \cdot xy) = x(x \cdot yy) = o_G(y)$ for every $y \in G$ and thus $L_{xa} = o_G = L_a$. Hence A_{φ} is a left ideal.

Lemma 1.6. Let G be an LSLD groupoid and J a left ideal of G. Then the relation $\rho_J = ((ip_G)|_J) \cup id_G$ is a congruence of G.

Proof. The claim follows from Lemma 1.2.

Lemma 1.7. Let G be an LSLD groupoid and $a \in G$ a right zero. Then

- (1) $x \cdot ay = a \cdot xy$ and $xy = ax \cdot y$ for all $x, y \in G$;
- (2) the relation $\nu_a = \{(x, ax) : x \in G\} \cup id_G \text{ is a congruence of } G; \text{ moreover, every non-trivial block of } \nu_a \text{ has two elements.}$

Proof. (1) is calculated as follows: $x \cdot ay = xa \cdot xy = a \cdot xy$ and $ax \cdot y = (ax)(a \cdot ay) = a(x \cdot ay) = a(a \cdot xy) = xy$.

(2) Clearly, ν_a is both reflexive and symmetric and it follows from (1) that ν_a is compatible with the multiplication of G. We show that ν_a is transitive. If $(x, y) \in \nu_a, (y, z) \in \nu_a, x \neq y \neq z$, then y = ax and $z = ay = a \cdot ax = x$ and thus $(x, z) \in \nu_a$. The rest becomes clear now.

Lemma 1.8. Let G be an LSLD groupoid and let ρ be a congruence of K_G such that $(u, v) \in \rho$ implies $(au, av) \in \rho$ and $(ua \cdot z, va \cdot z) \in \rho$ for all $a \in Id_G$ and $z \in K_G$. Define a relation σ on Id_G by $(a, b) \in \sigma$ iff $(au, bv) \in \rho$ for every pair $(u, v) \in \rho$. Then $\rho \cup \sigma$ is a congruence of G.

Proof. This straightforward calculation is omitted.

2. Basic facts about subdirectly irreducible LSLD groupoids

It is well known that a groupoid G is subdirectly irreducible (shortly SI), if and only if G possesses a smallest non-trivial congruence (called the *monolith* of G), i.e. a congruence $\mu_G \neq id_G$ such that $\mu_G \subseteq \nu$ for every congruence $\nu \neq id_G$ on G.

Lemma 2.1. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid. Then

- (1) if $J \subseteq K_G$ is a left ideal, then $J = K_G$;
- (2) ip_G is the monolith of G;
- (3) $L_a|_{K_G} \neq L_b|_{K_G}$ for every $a, b \in Id_G$ with $a \neq b$; in other words, $q_G = id_G$;
- (4) $\varphi|_{K_G} \neq \psi|_{K_G}$ for all automorphisms φ, ψ of G with $\varphi \neq \psi$.

Proof. (1) Let $J \subset K_G$ be a left ideal. Then $J' = K_G \smallsetminus J$ is a left ideal too and $\rho_J, \rho_{J'}$ are non-trivial congruences, since both J and J' contain at least two elements. However, $\rho_J \cap \rho_{J'} = id_G$ yields a contradiction with subdirect irreducibility of G.

(2) We have $\mu_G \subseteq ip_G$. Put $J = \{u \in K_G : (u, uu) \in \mu_G\}$. Then J is a left ideal, because μ_G is a congruence, and thus $J = K_G$ and $\mu_G = ip_G$.

(3) According to Lemma 1.2(1), q_G is a congruence. It is trivial, because $q_G \cap ip_G = id_G$.

(4) Assume that $\varphi|_{K_G} = \psi|_{K_G}$ and we show that $\varphi|_{Id_G} = \psi|_{Id_G}$ too. Observe that $\varphi|_{K_G} = \psi|_{K_G}$ iff $\varphi^{-1}|_{K_G} = \psi^{-1}|_{K_G}$, because every automorphism of G maps

 K_G onto itself. Now, given $a \in Id_G$ and $u \in K_G$, we have $\varphi(a)u = \varphi(a)\varphi\varphi^{-1}(u) = \varphi(a\varphi^{-1}(u))$ and, because $a\varphi^{-1}(u) = a\psi^{-1}(u) \in K_G$, we have also $\varphi(a\varphi^{-1}(u)) = \psi(a\psi^{-1}(u)) = \psi(a)u$. Thus $L_{\varphi(a)}|_{K_G} = L_{\psi(a)}|_{K_G}$ and, by (3), $\varphi(a) = \psi(a)$. \Box

Proposition 2.2. Let G be a non-idempotent LSLD groupoid and H a subgroupoid of G such that $K_G \subseteq H$. Assume that H is subdirectly irreducible. Then G is subdirectly irreducible, iff $q_G = id_G$.

Proof. The direct implication was proved in Lemma 2.1(3). So assume $q_G = id_G$ and let ρ be a non-trivial congruence on G. If $\rho|_H \neq id_H$, then $ip_H \subseteq \rho|_H$. But $ip_G = ip_H \cup id_G$ and thus $ip_G \subseteq \rho$. Hence assume that $\rho|_H = id_H$. If $(a, b) \in \rho$ for some $a, b \in Id_G$, $a \neq b$, then $au \neq bu$ for some $u \in K_G$ by Lemma 2.1(3) and we have $(au, bu) \in \rho|_{K_G} = id_{K_G}$, a contradiction. If $(a, u) \in \rho$ for some $a \in Id_G$ and $u \in K_G$, then $(a, uu) = (aa, uu) \in \rho$ and, again, $(u, uu) \in \rho|_{K_G} = id_{K_G}$, a contradiction. Consequently, G is subdirectly irreducible.

Corollary 2.3. Let G be a non-idempotent LSLD groupoid such that K_G is subdirectly irreducible. Then G is subdirectly irreducible, iff $q_G = id_G$.

Lemma 2.4. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid and $a, b \in G$ right zeros. Then

- (1) $L_a \in \{id_G, o_G\};$
- (2) a = b, iff $L_a = L_b$;
- (3) G contains at most two right zeros.

Proof. (1) Let ν_a be the congruence from Lemma 1.7. If $\nu_a = id_G$, then $L_a = id_G$. If $\nu_a \neq id_G$, then $\mu_G = ip_G \subseteq \nu_a$ and thus $L_a|_{K_G} = o_G|_{K_G}$. Hence $L_a = o_G$ according to Lemma 2.1(4).

The statement (2) follows from Lemma 2.1(3) and (3) is an immediate consequence of (1) and (2). $\hfill \Box$

Lemma 2.5. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid and let $a \in G$ be a right zero. Then $H = G \setminus \{a\}$ is an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid and it contains no right zero b with $L_b = L_a|_H$.

Proof. Clearly, H is a left ideal of G and thus a subgroupoid of G. Moreover, if ρ is a non-trivial congruence of H, then $\sigma = \rho \cup \{(a, a)\}$ is a (non-trivial) congruence of G (because $L_a \in \{id_G, o_G\}$) and thus $ip_G = \mu_G \subseteq \sigma$. So $ip_H \subseteq \rho$ and H is subdirectly irreducible. Finally, if b is a right zero in H, then it is also a right zero in G and so $L_b \neq L_a|_H$ by Lemma 2.4.

Lemma 2.6. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid and $\varphi \in \{id_G, o_G\}$. Then $G[\varphi]$ is subdirectly irreducible, iff G contains no right zero a with $L_a = \varphi$.

Proof. The direct implication follows from Lemma 2.5. On the contrary, if G contains no right zero a with $L_a = \varphi$, then $A_{\varphi} = \emptyset$ (by Lemmas 1.5 and 2.1(3) $|A_{\varphi}| \leq 1$, hence any element b with $L_b = \varphi$ is a right zero), so $q_{G[\varphi]} = id$ and Proposition 2.2 applies.

Corollary 2.7. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid with no right zero. Then

 $G, G[id_G], G[o_G] and G[id_G][o_{G[id_G]}]$

are pairwise non-isomorphic SI LSLD groupoids.

Corollary 2.8. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid and let A be the set of right zeros in G. Then $|A| \leq 2$, $H = G \setminus A$ is a left ideal of G, H is an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid with no right zero and G is isomorphic to exactly one of

$H, H[id_H], H[o_H] and H[id_H][o_{H[id_H]}].$

3. Groupoids of involutions

Let ε be a binary relation on a non-empty set X. We denote $\operatorname{Inv}(X, \varepsilon)$ the set of all permutations φ of X such that $\varphi^2 = id_X$ and $(x, y) \in \varepsilon$ implies $(\varphi(x), \varphi(y)) \in \varepsilon$. It is easy to see that $\operatorname{Inv}(X, \varepsilon)$ is a subgroupoid of the core of the symmetric group over X and thus it is an idempotent LSLD groupoid.

An equivalence ε is called a *pairing* (a *semipairing*, resp.), if every block of ε consists of (at most, resp.) two elements. Let $\alpha(m) = |\text{Inv}(m, \varepsilon)|$, where ε is a pairing on a cardinal number m ($\alpha(m)$ is defined for even and infinite cardinals only).

Proposition 3.1. $\alpha(2) = 2$, $\alpha(4) = 6$ and $\alpha(m) = 2\alpha(m-2) + (m-2)\alpha(m-4)$ for every even $6 \le m < \omega$. Further, $\alpha(m) = 2^m$ for every infinite m.

Proof. Assume that m is finite even and the blocks of ε are the sets $\{2k, 2k + 1\}^2$, $k = 0, \ldots, \frac{m}{2} - 1$. The claim is trivial for $m \in \{2, 4\}$, so assume $m \ge 6$. Let $I_k = \{\varphi \in \operatorname{Inv}(m, \varepsilon) : \varphi(0) = k\}$ for $0 \le k \le m - 1$. Then $\operatorname{Inv}(m, \varepsilon) = \bigcup_{k=0}^{m-1} I_k$ and I_k 's are pairwise disjoint. If $\varphi \in I_0$, then $\varphi(1) = 1$. If $\varphi \in I_1$, then $\varphi(1) = 0$. Consequently, $|I_0| = |I_1| = \alpha(m-2)$. On the other hand, if $\varphi \in I_k$ for $k \ge 2$, then $\varphi(1) = k'$, where $k' \ne k$ is such that $(k, k') \in \varepsilon$, and thus $\varphi(k) = 0, \varphi(k') = 1$. Hence $|I_k| = \alpha(m-4)$ and $|\operatorname{Inv}(m, \varepsilon)| = 2\alpha(m-2) + (m-2)\alpha(m-4)$.

If m is infinite, consider all involutions of the form $(x_1 \ y_1)(x_2 \ y_2)\ldots$, where $\{x_1, y_1\}, \{x_2, y_2\}, \ldots$ are pairwise different blocks of ε . They belong to $\operatorname{Inv}(m, \varepsilon)$ and thus $\alpha(m) \geq 2^m$. Hence $\alpha(m) = 2^m$.

m	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
$\alpha(m)$	2	6	20	76	312	1384	6512	32400	168992	921184

For every semipairing ε on X there is a unique mapping $o_{\varepsilon} \in \operatorname{Inv}(X, \varepsilon)$ such that $(x, o_{\varepsilon}(x)) \in \varepsilon$ and $o_{\varepsilon}(x) = x$ iff $\{x\}$ is a one-element block of ε . It is easy to see that id_X and o_{ε} are right zeros in $\operatorname{Inv}(X, \varepsilon)$ and that $id_X * \varphi = \varphi$ and $o_{\varepsilon} * \varphi = \varphi$ for every $\varphi \in \operatorname{Inv}(X, \varepsilon)$. Let $\operatorname{Inv}^-(X, \varepsilon) = \operatorname{Inv}(X, \varepsilon) \setminus \{id_X, o_{\varepsilon}\}$. Clearly, it is either empty, or a left ideal of $\operatorname{Inv}(X, \varepsilon)$.

Finally, let $\operatorname{Aut}_2(G) = \{\varphi \in \operatorname{Aut}(G) : \varphi^2 = id\}$. If G is an LSLD groupoid, then $\operatorname{Aut}_2(G)$ is a subgroupoid of $\operatorname{Inv}(G, ip_G), L_x \in \operatorname{Aut}_2(G)$ for every $x \in G$ and the mapping $x \mapsto L_x$ is a homomorphism of G into $\operatorname{Aut}_2(G)$. Let $\operatorname{Aut}_2^-(G) =$ $\operatorname{Aut}_2(G) \cap \operatorname{Inv}^-(G, ip_G)$.

Proposition 3.2. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid with at least one idempotent element. Then the mapping

$$\eta: Id_G \to \operatorname{Aut}_2(K_G), \qquad a \mapsto L_a|_{K_G}$$

is an injective homomorphism.

Proof. It follows from Lemmas 1.1 and 2.1(3).

Corollary 3.3. Let G be an SI LSLD groupoid with $|K_G| = m \neq 0$. Then

$$|Id_G| \le \alpha(m)$$
 and $|G| \le \alpha(m) + m$.

It will be shown in the next section that the upper bound on $|Id_G|$ is best possible.

4. A description of subdirectly irreducible LSLD groupoids

Lemma 4.1. Let K be an idempotent-free LSLD groupoid and I a subgroupoid of $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K)$. Put $G = I \cup K$. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) The operations of I and K can be extended onto G so that G becomes an LSLD groupoid with $\varphi \cdot u = \varphi(u)$ for all $\varphi \in I$, $u \in K$.
- (2) $L_u \varphi L_u \in I$ for all $\varphi \in I$, $u \in K$.

Moreover, if the conditions are satisfied, the operation of G is uniquely determined and $u \cdot \varphi = L_u \varphi L_u$ for all $\varphi \in I$, $u \in K$.

Proof. Clearly, $u\varphi \in I = Id_G$ for every $u \in K$, $\varphi \in I$. Since $u(\varphi v) = (u\varphi)(uv)$ for every $u, v \in K$, $\varphi \in I$, we have $L_u(\varphi(v)) = (u\varphi)(L_u(v))$ and thus $u\varphi = L_u\varphi(L_u)^{-1} = L_u\varphi L_u$. Indeed, this is possible, iff $L_u\varphi L_u \in I$ for all $\varphi \in I$, $u \in K$. We omit the straightforward calculation showing that the resulting groupoid G is LSLD.

The groupoid G from Lemma 4.1 will be denoted by $I \sqcup K$. The groupoid $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K) \sqcup K$ will be called the *full extension* of K and denoted $\operatorname{Full}(K)$.

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} I \sqcup K & \psi & v \\ \hline \varphi & \varphi \psi \varphi & \varphi(v) \\ u & L_u \psi L_u & uv \end{array}$$

Theorem 4.2. Let G be an SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid. Then there exists an injective homomorphism $\eta: G \to \operatorname{Full}(K_G)$ such that

 $\eta(u) = u$ for every $u \in K_G$ and $\eta(a) = L_a|_{K_G}$ for every $a \in Id_G$.

Thus G is isomorphic (via η) to the subgroupoid $\eta(Id_G) \sqcup K_G$ of Full(K_G).

Proof. It is straightforward to check that η is a homomorphism and it is injective according to Proposition 3.2.

Remark. Let K be an idempotent-free LSLD groupoid and assume the set S of SI subgroupoids G of Full(K) with $K_G = K$. The set S is non-empty, iff Full(K) $\in S$; in this case, the set S has minimal elements, say H_1, \ldots, H_k , and it follows from Proposition 2.2 that $G \in S$, iff G is a subgroupoid of Full(K) and $H_i \subseteq G$ for at least one $1 \leq i \leq k$.

Theorem 4.3. The following conditions are equivalent for an idempotent-free LSLD groupoid K:

- (1) There exists an SI LSLD groupoid G with $K_G = K$.
- (2) The groupoid $\operatorname{Full}(K)$ is SI.
- (3) The groupoid $\operatorname{Full}^{-}(K)$ is SI.
- (4) If ρ is a non-trivial Aut₂(K)-invariant congruence of K, then $ip_K \subseteq \rho$.

Proof. The implication $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ follows from Proposition 2.2, $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ follows from Lemma 2.5 and $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ is trivial.

Now, assume that (4) is true and let σ be a non-trivial congruence of Full(K). If $\sigma|_K \neq id_K$, then $ip_K \subseteq \sigma$ by (4) and thus Full(K) is SI. So assume that $\rho = \sigma|_K = id_K$. If $(\varphi, \psi) \in \sigma$ for some $\varphi, \psi \in \operatorname{Aut}_2(K), \varphi \neq \psi$, then there is at least one $u \in K$ with $\varphi(u) \neq \psi(u)$ and we have $(\varphi(u), \psi(u)) \in \rho$, a contradiction. Thus $(\varphi, u) \in \sigma$ for some $\varphi \in \operatorname{Aut}_2(K), u \in K$. In this case, $(\varphi, uu) \in \sigma$ and so $(u, uu) \in \rho$, a contradiction again.

Finally, assume (2) and consider a non-trivial $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K)$ -invariant congruence ρ of K. Define a relation σ on $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K)$ by $(\varphi, \psi) \in \sigma$ iff $(\varphi(u), \psi(v)) \in \rho$ for every pair $(u, v) \in \rho$. According to Lemma 1.8, $\rho \cup \sigma$ is a congruence of $\operatorname{Full}(K)$ and so $ip_K \subseteq \rho$.

A groupoid K satisfying the conditions of Theorem 4.3 will be called *pre-SI*.

Example. Let ε be a pairing on a non-empty set K. We equip the set K with an operation such that $L_u = o_{\varepsilon}$ for every $u \in K$. Clearly, K is an idempotent-free LSLD groupoid and $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K) = \operatorname{Inv}(K, \varepsilon)$. Using Theorem 4.3, we prove that K is pre-SI and thus $G = \operatorname{Full}(K)$ is an SI LSLD groupoid of size $\alpha(|K_G|) + |K_G|$ (cf. Corollary 3.3).

Let ρ be a non-trivial $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K)$ -invariant congruence on K. We claim that $ip_K = o_{\varepsilon} \subseteq \rho$. Indeed, if $(u, o_K(u)) \in \rho$ for some $u \in K$, then for every $v \in K$ the involution $\varphi = (u \ v)(o_K(u) \ o_K(v))$ belongs to $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K)$ and thus $(v, o_K(v)) \in \rho$. Thus $ip_K \subseteq \rho$. On the other hand, if $(u, v) \in \rho, u \neq v \neq o_K(u)$, then the involution $\psi = (v \ o_K(v))$ belongs to $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K)$ and thus $(u, o(v)) = (\psi(u), \psi(v)) \in \rho$ and so $(v, o(v)) \in \rho$.

Example. Consider the following four-element groupoid K.

One can check that K is an LSLD groupoid, $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K) = \{id_K, (0\ 0), (1\ 1), (0\ 0)(1\ 1)\}$ and the relation $\rho = \{(0, 0), (0, 0)\} \cup id_K$ is an $\operatorname{Aut}_2(K)$ -invariant congruence of K. However, $ip_K \not\subseteq \rho$ and thus K is not pre-SI.

5. Few idempotent elements

In this section, let G be a finite SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid with $Id_G \neq \emptyset$ and r, s, α, β will denote non-negative integers.

Let $n = |Id_G|$ and $2m = |K_G|$. We put $K_1(a) = \{u \in K_G : au = u\}$, $K_2(a) = \{u \in K_G : au = uu\}$ and $K_3(a) = K_G \setminus (K_1(a) \cup K_2(a))$ for every $a \in Id_G$.

Lemma 5.1. $|K_1(a)|$, $|K_2(a)|$ are even numbers and $|K_3(a)|$ is divisible by 4.

Proof. $|K_1(a)|$ is even, because $u \in K_1(a)$, iff $uu \in K_1(a)$ (and analogously for $|K_2(a)|$). Furthermore, the sets $\{v, vv, av, a \cdot vv\}, v \in K_3(a)$, are four-element and pairwise disjoint.

Let $r(a) = \frac{1}{2}|K_1(a)|$ and $s(a) = \frac{1}{2}|K_2(a)|$. Hence m - r(a) - s(a) is a (non-negative) even number.

Lemma 5.2. r(xa) = r(a) and s(xa) = s(a) for all $a \in Id_G$, $x \in G$.

Proof. If $v \in K_1(a)$, then $xa \cdot xv = x \cdot av = xv$ and so $xv \in K_1(xa)$. Conversely, if $w \in K_1(xa)$, then $xw = x(xa \cdot w) = (x \cdot xa)(xw) = a \cdot xw$ and so $xw \in K_1(a)$. Thus L_x maps bijectively $K_1(a)$ onto $K_1(xa)$ and, in particular, $r(a) = |K_1(a)| = |K_1(xa)| = r(xa)$. Analogously, s(a) = s(xa).

Let $I(r, s) = \{a \in Id_G : r(a) = r, s(a) = s\}$. Indeed, if $I(r, s) \neq \emptyset$, then m - r - s is a non-negative even number. It follows from Lemma 5.2 that I(r, s) is either empty, or a left ideal of G.

Lemma 5.3. (1) If $r \ge m$ and $I(r, s) \ne \emptyset$, then r = m, s = 0 and |I(r, s)| = 1. (2) If $s \ge m$ and $I(r, s) \ne \emptyset$, then r = 0, s = m and |I(r, s)| = 1.

Proof. (1) Since $m \ge r + s$, we have r = m and s = 0. Consequently, $I(r, s) = I(m, 0) = \{a \in Id_G : au = u \text{ for every } u \in K_G\}$, and hence |I(r, s)| = 1 by Lemma 2.1(3). (2) is analogous.

Let $K(r, s, \alpha, \beta)$ be the set of all $u \in K_G$ such that $|\{a \in I(r, s) : u \in K_1(a)\}| = \alpha$ and $|\{a \in I(r, s) : u \in K_2(a)\}| = \beta$.

Lemma 5.4. Either $K(r, s, \alpha, \beta) = \emptyset$, or $K(r, s, \alpha, \beta) = K_G$.

Proof. Assume that $J = K(r, s, \alpha, \beta) \neq \emptyset$. We prove that J is a left ideal. Since $a \cdot xu = xu$ iff $xa \cdot u = u$ for every $u \in J$, $x \in G$, $a \in Id_G$, we have $L_x(\{b \in I(r, s) : b \cdot xu = xu\}) = \{c \in I(r, s) : cu = u\}$ (use the fact that I(r, s) is a left ideal) and, in particular, $|\{b \in I(r, s) : xu \in K_1(b)\}| = \alpha$. Similarly, $|\{b \in I(r, s) : xu \in K_2(b)\}| = \beta$ and thus $xu \in J$. Consequently, $J = K_G$ by Lemma 2.1(1). \Box

Consequently, for every r, s there is a unique pair (α, β) such that $K(r, s, \alpha, \beta) = K_G$ and $K(r, s, \alpha', \beta') = \emptyset$ for all $(\alpha', \beta') \neq (\alpha, \beta)$.

Lemma 5.5. If $K(r, s, \alpha, \beta) = K_G$, then $\alpha m = rt$ and $\beta m = st$, where t = |I(r, s)|.

Proof. Since $|\{a \in I(r, s) : au = u\}| = \alpha$ and $|\{a \in I(r, s) : au = uu\}| = \beta$ for every $u \in K_G$, we have $|L| = 2\alpha m$, where $L = \{(a, u) \in I(r, s) \times K_G : au = u\}$. On the other hand, |L| = 2rt by the definition of I(r, s). Thus $\alpha m = rt$. Considering the set $\{(a, u) \in I(r, s) \times K_G : au = uu\}$, a similar proof yields $\beta m = st$.

Lemma 5.6. If $K(r, s, \alpha, \beta) = K_G$, $I(r, s) \neq \emptyset$ and the numbers m and t = |I(r, s)| are relatively prime, then just one of the following cases takes place:

- (1) $r = s = \alpha = \beta = 0.$
- (2) $r = m, s = 0, \alpha = 1, \beta = 0$ and t = 1.
- (3) $r = 0, s = m, \alpha = 0, \beta = 1$ and t = 1.

Proof. By Lemma 5.5, $\alpha m = rt$ and $\beta m = st$. If r = s = 0, then obviously $\alpha = \beta = 0$. If $r \ge 1$, then m divides r and thus $r \ge m$. If $s \ge 1$, then m divides s and thus $s \ge m$. In both cases, Lemma 5.3 applies.

Proposition 5.7. If $I(r,s) \neq \emptyset$, $r+s \ge 1$ and the numbers m and t = |I(r,s)| are relatively prime, then G contains a right zero.

Proof. Choose α, β such that $K(r, s, \alpha, \beta) = K_G$. It follows from Lemma 5.6 that t = 1 and thus I(r, s) consists of a right zero.

Proposition 5.8. If m is not divisible by any prime number $p \in \{2, ..., n-2, n\}$, then either G contains a right zero, or n = 3, m is even and $u \neq au \neq uu$ for all $a \in Id_G$, $u \in K_G$.

Proof. If n = 1, then $Id_G = \{a\}$ and a is a right zero; so we may assume that $n \geq 2$. Obviously, if $I(r,s) = \emptyset$ for all r, s with $r + s \geq 1$, then $u \neq au \neq uu$ for all $a \in Id_G$, $u \in K_G$, and thus m is divisible by 2 according to Lemma 5.1. Consequently, 2 = n - 1 and thus n = 3.

So assume that there are r, s such that $r + s \ge 1$ and $t = |I(r, s)| \ge 1$. If m and t are relatively prime, then Lemma 5.7 yields the result. If p is a prime dividing both m and t, then $p \le t \le n$, and therefore p = n - 1, t = n - 1 and the only $a \in Id_G \smallsetminus I(r, s)$ is a right zero.

Theorem 5.9. Let G be a finite SI non-idempotent LSLD groupoid with $|K_G| = 2m \ge 4$ and let p be the least prime divisor of m. If $|Id_G| < p$, then either Id_G contains precisely three elements which are not right zeros, or every element of Id_G is a right zero and thus $|Id_G| \le 2$ and K_G is subdirectly irreducible.

Proof. Let $H = G \setminus A$, where A is the set of all right zeros of G. According to Corollary 2.8, H is an SI LSLD groupoid with no right zeros. However, if $Id_H \neq \emptyset$, then H contains a right zero by Proposition 5.8, a contradiction. The rest follows from Corollary 2.8 too.

6. Small subdirectly irreducible LSLD groupoids

In this section we apply the theory developed above to search for small SI nonidempotent LSLD groupoids. The procedure for finding all SI LSLD groupoids Gwith m > 0 non-idempotent elements follows.

- (1) We find all $\frac{m}{2}$ -element LSLDI groupoids.
- (2) We find all *m*-element idempotent-free LSLD groupoids by extending groupoids found in the first step and check which of them are pre-SI (using Theorem 4.3).
- (3) For each pre-SI groupoid K found in the second step, we characterize subgroupoids I of $\operatorname{Aut}_2^- K$ with the property 4.1(2) and check which $I \sqcup K$ are subdirectly irreducible.
- (4) Each SI LSLD groupoid found in the third step can be extended by id_G , o_G , none or both (see Corollary 2.7).

Two non-idempotents. Let G be an SI LSLD groupoid with $|K_G| = 2$. Then $K_G \simeq \mathbf{T}$ and Id_G is either empty, or isomorphic to a subgroupoid of $\operatorname{Aut}_2(\mathbf{T}) = \operatorname{Inv}(\mathbf{T}, ip_{\mathbf{T}}) = \{id_{\mathbf{T}}, o_{\mathbf{T}}\}$. Hence

$$\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{T}[id_{\mathbf{T}}], \mathbf{T}[o_{\mathbf{T}}] \text{ and } \mathbf{T}[id_{\mathbf{T}}][o_{\mathbf{T}[id_{\mathbf{T}}]}]$$

are the only (up to an isomorphism) SI LSLD groupoids with two non-idempotent elements.

Four non-idempotents. Let G be an SI LSLD groupoid with $|K_G| = 4$. Then K_G/ip_{K_G} is isomorphic to **S**, the only two-element LSLDI groupoid. Clearly, the following groupoids K_1 , K_2 , K_3 are the only (up to an isomorphism) 4-element idempotent-free LSLD groupoids:

K_1					K_2					K_3				
$0, \widetilde{0}$					$0, \widetilde{0}$					$0, \widetilde{0}$				
$1,\widetilde{1}$	$\widetilde{0}$	0	$\widetilde{1}$	1	$1,\widetilde{1}$	0	$\widetilde{0}$	$\widetilde{1}$	1	$1,\widetilde{1}$	0	$\widetilde{0}$	$\widetilde{1}$	1

 K_1 and K_2 are pre-SI, K_3 is not (see the last example in the fourth section). Hence K_G is isomorphic to one of K_1 , K_2 . Now, we designate $a = (0 \ \widetilde{0}), b = (1 \ \widetilde{1}), c = (0 \ 1)(\widetilde{0} \ \widetilde{1}), d = (0 \ \widetilde{1})(\widetilde{0} \ 1)$ the elements of $I = \operatorname{Aut}_2^-(K_1) = \operatorname{Aut}_2^-(K_2)$. The multiplication table of I is

			c	
a	a	b	d	c
$a \\ b$	a	b	d	c
c	b	a	d d c	d
d	b	a	c	d

Thus I contains three non-trivial subgroupoids $I_1 = \{a, b\}, I_2 = \{c, d\}$ and $I_3 = \{a, b, c, d\}$. Neither K_1 nor K_2 is SI. Since both $I_1 \sqcup K_1$, $I_1 \sqcup K_2$ contain the left ideal $\{0, \tilde{0}\}$, they are not SI. In $I_2 \sqcup K_1$, the element c is a right zero, because $L_x = o_{K_1}$ for every $x \in K_1$, and thus $L_x cL_x = c$; so $I_2 \sqcup K_1$ is not SI by Corollary 2.8. On the other hand, it is easy to check that $I_2 \sqcup K_2$, $I_3 \sqcup K_1$ and $I_3 \sqcup K_2$ are SI.

Proposition 6.1. There are 12 (up to an isomorphism) SI LSLD groupoids with four non-idempotent elements:

$$I_3 \sqcup K_1, I_2 \sqcup K_2, I_3 \sqcup K_2$$

and their extensions by right zeros.

Six non-idempotents. Let G be an SI LSLD groupoid with $|K_G| = 6$. Then K_G/ip_{K_G} is isomorphic to one of \mathbf{S}_1 , \mathbf{S}_2 , \mathbf{S}_3 (see the list of three-element LSLDI groupoids in the introduction). \mathbf{S}_2 cannot be isomorphic to K_G/ip_{K_G} , because the ip_{K_G} -block corresponding to the element 0 of \mathbf{S}_2 is always a proper left ideal inside K_G (every automorphism of G preserves this block), a contradiction with Lemma 2.1(1). Now, one can check that the following groupoids K_4 , K_5 , K_6 , K_7 are the only (up to an isomorphism) 6-element idempotent-free LSLD groupoids such that their factorgroupoid over ip is one of \mathbf{S}_1 , \mathbf{S}_3 .

$K_4 \mid 0$							K_5						
$0, \widetilde{0} \mid \widetilde{0}$	0	ĩ	1	$\widetilde{2}$	2	_	$0, \widetilde{0}$	$\widetilde{0}$	0	1	ĩ	2	$\widetilde{2}$
$1, \widetilde{1} \mid \widetilde{0}$	0	ĩ	1	$\widetilde{2}$	2		$1,\widetilde{1}$ $2,\widetilde{2}$	0	õ	ĩ	1	2	$\widetilde{2}$
$2,\widetilde{2} \mid \widetilde{0}$	0	ĩ	1	$\widetilde{2}$	2		$2,\widetilde{2}$	0	õ	1	ĩ	$\widetilde{2}$	2
$K_6 \mid 0$							K_7						
$0, \widetilde{0} \mid \widetilde{0}$	0	ĩ	1	2	$\widetilde{2}$	-	$0, \widetilde{0}$	õ	0	$\widetilde{2}$	2	ĩ	1
	0	ĩ	1	2	$\widetilde{2}$	-		$\widetilde{0}$ $\widetilde{2}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 2 \end{array}$	$\widetilde{2}$ $\widetilde{1}$	2 1	$\widetilde{1}$ $\widetilde{0}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$

 K_4 and K_5 are pre-SI, K_6 and K_7 aren't. Hence K_G is isomorphic to one of K_4 , K_5 . One can compute that $I = \text{Inv}^-(K_4, ip_{K_4}) = \text{Aut}_2^-(K_4) = \text{Aut}_2^-(K_5)$ contains

the following non-trivial subgroupoids:

$$\begin{split} &I_1 = \{(x \ \tilde{x}) : x = 0, 1, 2\}, \\ &I_2 = \{(x \ \tilde{x})(y \ \tilde{y}) : x, y = 0, 1, 2, \ x \neq y\}, \\ &I_{3,1} = \{(x \ y)(\tilde{x} \ \tilde{y}) : x, y = 0, 1, 2, \ x \neq y\}, \\ &I_{3,2} = \{(0 \ \tilde{1})(\tilde{0} \ 1), (0 \ \tilde{2})(\tilde{0} \ 2), (1 \ 2)(\tilde{1} \ \tilde{2})\}, \\ &I_{3,3} = \{(0 \ \tilde{1})(\tilde{0} \ 1), (1 \ \tilde{2})(\tilde{1} \ 2), (0 \ 2)(\tilde{0} \ \tilde{2})\}, \\ &I_{3,4} = \{(0 \ \tilde{2})(\tilde{0} \ 2), (1 \ \tilde{2})(\tilde{1} \ 2), (0 \ 1)(\tilde{0} \ \tilde{1})\}, \\ &I_3 = \{(x \ y)(\tilde{x} \ \tilde{y}), (x \ \tilde{y})(\tilde{x} \ y) : x, y = 0, 1, 2, \ x \neq y\} = I_{3,1} \cup I_{3,2} \cup I_{3,3} \cup I_{3,4}, \\ &I_{4,1} = \{(x \ \tilde{y})(\tilde{x} \ y)(z \ \tilde{z}) : \{x, y, z\} = \{0, 1, 2\}\}, \\ &I_{4,2} = \{(0 \ 1)(\tilde{0} \ \tilde{1})(2 \ \tilde{2}), (0 \ 2)(\tilde{0} \ \tilde{2})(1 \ \tilde{1}), (1 \ \tilde{2})(\tilde{1} \ 2)(0 \ \tilde{0})\}, \\ &I_{4,3} = \{(0 \ 1)(\tilde{0} \ \tilde{1})(2 \ \tilde{2}), (1 \ 2)(\tilde{1} \ \tilde{2})(0 \ \tilde{0}), (0 \ \tilde{1})(\tilde{0} \ 1)(2 \ \tilde{2})\}, \\ &I_{4,4} = \{(0 \ 2)(\tilde{0} \ \tilde{2})(1 \ \tilde{1}), (1 \ 2)(\tilde{1} \ \tilde{2})(0 \ \tilde{0}), (0 \ \tilde{1})(\tilde{0} \ 1)(2 \ \tilde{2})\}, \\ &I_4 = \{(x \ \tilde{y})(\tilde{x} \ y)(z \ \tilde{z}), (x \ y)(\tilde{x} \ \tilde{y})(z \ \tilde{z}) : \{x, y, z\} = \{0, 1, 2\}\} = I_{4,1} \cup \dots \cup I_{4,4}, \\ &I_{3,i} \cup I_{4,i}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4, \\ &\text{all unions of } I_1, I_2, I_3, I_4. \end{split}$$

Clearly, $|I_1| = |I_2| = |I_{3,i}| = |I_{4,i}| = 3$, $i = 1, \ldots, 4$ and $|I_3| = |I_4| = 6$. Now, none of K_4 , K_5 is SI. The following table shows, which of $J \sqcup K_4$, $J \sqcup K_5$ (J a subgroupoid of I) are subdirectly irreducible. (An empty space means it does not satisfy the condition 4.1(2).)

	\Box	I_1	I_2	$I_{3,1}$	$I_{3,2}, I_{3,3}, I_{3,4}$	I_3	$I_{4,1}$	$I_{4,2}, I_{4,3}, I_{4,4}$	I_4
ſ	K_4	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	+
	K_5	_	_			+			+

	$I_{3,1} \cup I_{4,1}$	$I_{3,i} \cup I_{4,i}$	$I_1 \cup I_2$	$I_i \cup I_j$	$I_i \cup I_j \cup I_k$	Ι
		i = 2, 3, 4		$i \neq j, \ \{i, j\} \neq \{1, 2\}$	$i \neq j \neq k \neq i$	
K_4	_	—	—	+	+	+
K_5			—	+	+	+

Proposition 6.2. There are 96 (up to an isomorphism) SI LSLD groupoids with six non-idempotent elements: the 24 without right zeros described in the table above and their extensions by right zeros.

The following table displays the number of SI LSLD groupoids with 2, 4 and 6 non-idempotent elements and a respective number of idempotent elements.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	2	1																		
0	0	1	2	3	4	2														
0	0	0	0	0	0	4	8	4	8	16	8	6	12	6	4	8	4	2	4	2

More non-idempotents.

Lemma 6.3. Let G be an SI LSLD groupoid with $|K_G| = 8$. Then K_G/ip_{K_G} is isomorphic to one of R_1 , R_2 .

R_1	0	1	2	3	R_2	0	1	2	3
0					0	0	1	3	2
1					1	0	1	3	2
			2		2	1	0	2	3
3	0	1	2	3	3	1	0	2	3

Proof. For every $u \in K_G$, let t(u) be the number of $v \in K_G$ such that $uv \in \{v, vv\}$. We have t(u) = t(xu) for every $x \in G$ (because $xy \cdot z = z$ iff $y \cdot xz = xz$), hence the set $\{u \in K_G : t(u) = t\}$ is a left ideal of G for every t. Consequently, there is t such that t(u) = t for every $u \in K_G$ (see Lemma 2.1(1)) and thus all left translations in $R = K_G/ip_{K_G}$ have the same number $\frac{t}{2}$ of fixed points. Let us denote the elements of R by 0,1,2,3. Clearly, $\frac{t}{2} \ge 1$ is an even number. If $\frac{t}{2} = 4$, then R is the right zero band R_1 . Otherwise $\frac{t}{2} = 2$ and we may assume that 0, 1 are the only fix points of L_0 , i.e. $L_0 = (2 \ 3)$. Then $1 \cdot 0 = (0 \cdot 1)(0 \cdot 0) = 0(1 \cdot 0)$ (left distributivity) and hence $1 \cdot 0$ is a fix point of L_0 . Therefore $1 \cdot 0 = 0$ and so $L_1 = L_0$. Now, $L_{2\cdot0} = L_2L_0L_2 = L_2L_1L_2 = L_{2\cdot1}$. Since $L_2(0), L_2(1) \ne 2$ and $L_0 = L_1 \ne L_3$ (because $L_0(3) \ne L_3(3)$), we have $\{2 \cdot 0, 2 \cdot 1\} = \{0, 1\}$. Hence $L_2 = (0 \ 1)$, because it has two fixed points. Analogously also $L_3 = (0 \ 1)$.

Proposition 6.4. There is no SI idempotent-free LSLD groupoid with 8 elements.

Proof. Since both R_1 , R_2 contain proper left ideals, so does any 8-element SI idempotent-free LSLD groupoid, a contradiction with Lemma 2.1(1).

Lemma 6.5. Let G be an SI LSLD groupoid with $|K_G| = 10$. Then K_G/ip_{K_G} is isomorphic to one of R_3 , R_4 .

R_3	0	1	2	3	4	R_4	0	1	2	3	4
0						0					
1	0	1	2	3	4	1					
2	0	1	2	3	4	2	4	3	2	1	0
3	0	1	2	3	4	3	2	4	0	3	1
4	0	1	2	3	4	4	1	0	3	2	4

Proof. Proceed similarly as in the proof of Lemma 6.3.

Proposition 6.6. There is no SI idempotent-free LSLD groupoid with 10 elements.

Proof. Assume that $K = \{0, \tilde{0}, 1, \tilde{1}, 2, \tilde{2}, 3, \tilde{3}, 4, \tilde{4}\}$ is an idempotent-free LSLD groupoid, where blocks of ip_K are the sets $\{k, \tilde{k}\}$ for every $k = 0, \ldots, 4$. Then $K/ip_K \simeq R_4$ and without loss of generality we put $0 \cdot 1 = \tilde{2}, 0 \cdot 3 = \tilde{4}, 1 \cdot 2 = \tilde{4}, 1 \cdot 0 = \tilde{3}$. Then $\tilde{1} \cdot \tilde{0} = 3, \tilde{1} \cdot \tilde{2} = 4$ and thus $2 \cdot 0 = \tilde{4}, 2 \cdot 1 = \tilde{3}$, because L_0 is an automorphism. Also $3 \cdot 0 = \tilde{2}, 2 \cdot 1 = \tilde{4}, 4 \cdot 0 = \tilde{1}, 4 \cdot 2 = \tilde{3}$, because L_2 is an automorphism, and the operation on K is determined. We see that $\rho = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}^2 \cup \{\tilde{0}, \tilde{1}, \tilde{2}, \tilde{3}, \tilde{4}\}^2$ is a congruence on K and $\rho \cap ip_K = id_K$. Hence K is not subdirectly irreducible. \Box

Proposition 6.7. The following groupoid is the smallest SI idempotent-free LSLD groupoid with more than two elements.

K_8												
$0, \widetilde{0}$	Õ	0	1	ĩ	$\widetilde{4}$	4	$\widetilde{5}$	5	$\widetilde{2}$	2	$\widetilde{3}$	3
$1,\widetilde{1}$	0	$\widetilde{0}$	$\widetilde{1}$	1	$\widetilde{5}$	5	$\widetilde{4}$	4	$\widetilde{3}$	3	$\widetilde{2}$	2
$2, \widetilde{2}$	$\widetilde{4}$	4	$\widetilde{5}$	5	$\widetilde{2}$	2	3	$\widetilde{3}$	$\widetilde{0}$	0	ĩ	1
$ \begin{array}{c} 0,0\\ 1,\widetilde{1}\\ 2,\widetilde{2}\\ 3,\widetilde{3}\\ \end{array} $	5	$\widetilde{5}$	4	$\widetilde{4}$	2	$\widetilde{2}$	$\widetilde{3}$	3	1	ĩ	0	$\widetilde{0}$
4, 4	2	2	3	3	0	0	1	1	4	4	5	5
$5,\widetilde{5}$	3	$\widetilde{3}$	$\widetilde{2}$	2	$\widetilde{1}$	1	0	$\widetilde{0}$	4	$\widetilde{4}$	$\widetilde{5}$	5

Proof. Subdirect irreducibility of K_8 can be checked easily from the multiplication table and non-existence of a smaller one was proved above.

7. The group generated by left translations

In the last section, we find another criterion for recognizing that a groupoid is not SI or pre-SI.

Let G be an LSLD groupoid. We denote L(G) the subgroup of Aut(G) generated by all left translations in G. For a subset N of L(G) we define a relation ρ_N by $(x, y) \in \rho_N$, iff there exists $\varphi \in N$ such that $\varphi(x) = y$.

Lemma 7.1. Let G be an LSLD groupoid and N a normal subgroup of L(G). Then ρ_N is a congruence of G.

Proof. Clearly, ρ_N is an equivalence on G. Let $(x, y) \in \rho_N$ and $z \in G$. We have $yz = \varphi(x)z = L_{\varphi(x)}L_x(xz) = \varphi L_x \varphi^{-1}L_x(xz)$, and so $(xz, yz) \in \rho_N$ via the automorphism $\varphi L_x \varphi^{-1}L_x \in N$. Further, $zy = z\varphi(x) = z\varphi(z \cdot zx) = L_z \varphi L_z(zx)$, and so $(zx, zy) \in \rho_N$ via the automorphism $L_z \varphi L_z \in N$.

Proposition 7.2. Let G be an SI non-idempotent or a pre-SI idempotent-free LSLD groupoid and let N be a non-trivial normal subgroup of L(G). Then for every $u \in G$ there exists $\varphi \in N$ such that $\varphi(u) = uu$.

Proof. If G is SI non-idempotent, then $ip_G \subseteq \rho_N$, because ρ_N is a non-trivial congruence. If G is pre-SI idempotent-free, one must check (in a view of Theorem 4.3) that ρ_N is also $\operatorname{Aut}_2(G)$ -invariant. If $(x, y) \in \rho_N$, $\varphi(x) = y$, and $\psi \in \operatorname{Aut}_2(G)$, then $(\psi \varphi \psi^{-1})(\psi(x)) = \psi \varphi(x) = \psi(y)$, and thus $(\psi(x), \psi(y)) \in \rho_N$ via the automorphism $\psi \varphi \psi^{-1} \in N$.

Example. Recall the groupoid K_3 from the previous section. It is easy to calculate that $L(K_3) = \{id, (0 \ \widetilde{0}), (1 \ \widetilde{1}), (0 \ \widetilde{0})(1 \ \widetilde{1})\}$, and thus $N = \{id, (0 \ \widetilde{0})\}$ is a normal subgroup. However, there is no $\varphi \in N$ such that $\varphi(1) = \widetilde{1}$, hence K_3 is not pre-SI by Proposition 7.2.

Remark. Let G be a simple LSLD groupoid. Then the subgroup of L(G) generated by all L_xL_y , $x, y \in G$, is a smallest non-trivial normal subgroup of L(G) and thus L(G) is subdirectly irreducible. This is a result of H. Nagao [6] and it can be proved similarly. However, due to Corollary 1.3, it is interesting in the idempotent case only.

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