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249. Some Characterizations of Regular Duo Rings and Semigroups

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Some ideal-theoretic characterizations of regular duo semigroups¹⁾ and of strongly regular rings (=regular duo rings) were given by the author [2]-[5], and by the author and F. Szász [6]-[8]. In this note we shall establish several further ideal-theoretic characterizations of these classes of associative rings and semigroups.

First we prove the following criterion.

Theorem 1. A semigroup S is a regular duo semigroup if and only if the relation

 $L \cap R = LRS$ (1)holds for every left ideal L and every right ideal R of S. **Proof.** Let S be a semigroup with property (1) for any left ideal L and any right ideal R of S. Then (1) implies (2)R = SRSfor any right ideal R of S, i.e. every right ideal R of S is two-sided. Similarly, (1) implies $L = LS^2$ (3) for each left ideal L of S, that is each left ideal L of S is two-sided. Therefore S is a duo semigroup. Next we show that S is regular. For any (two-sided) ideal I of S (1) implies $I = I^2 S = IS^2 = SIS.$ (4)Hence we get $I^2 = (SIS)(SIS) = SI$, (5)and $I^2 = I(IS^2) = (I^2S)S = IS$ (6) for every ideal I of S. (5) and (6) imply IS = SI(7)for any ideal I of S. Finally (4) and (7) imply the relation (8)I = ISIfor each ideal I of S. This guarantees the regularity of S (cf. Luh [9]). Conversely, let S be a regular duo semigroup. Then we have (9) $I_1 \cap I_2 = I_1 I_2$ for any couple of (two-sided) ideals of S. (9) implies

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¹⁾ We adopt the notation and terminology of [1].