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SOFT IDEALS OVER A SEMIGROUP GENERATED BY A SOFT SET

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Abstract – In this paper, the concept of soft singletons is defined. Consequently, we introduce the soft principal left (right) ideals over a semigroup S . The smallest soft right (left) ideals over S generated by a soft set over S are studied. Some illustrative examples are given.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

The concept of a soft set was first introduced by Molodtsov in [6]. Aktas and Cagman [1] adapted this concept to define soft groups. In [2], the authors introduced the concept of soft semigroups as a collection of subsemigroups of a semigroup and defined soft (left, right, quasi, bi) ideals of a semigroup. Shabir and Ahmad applied soft sets theory of ternary semigroups [7]. Jun and et al introduced concepts of soft ideals over ordered semigroups [5]. Properties of soft Γ -semigroups and soft ideals over a Γ -semigroup were studied in [3]. In Section 2 we introduce the definition of soft singletons and some basic propositions. In Section 3 we define the soft left (right) ideal generated by a soft set over a semigroup and the soft ideal generated by a soft set over a semigroup, and find, as special cases, those soft ideals generated by soft sets over monoids.

Let S be a semigroup. A nonempty subset A of S is called a subsemigroup of S if $A^2 \subseteq A$, a left (right) ideal of S if $SA \subseteq A$ ($AS \subseteq A$) and a two-sided ideal (or simply ideal) of S if it is both a left and a right ideal of S .

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Definition 2.1 [1]. Let U be a universal set and let E be a set of parameters. Let $P(U)$ denote the power set of U and let $A \subseteq E$. A pair (F, A) is called a soft set over U if F is a mapping $F : A \rightarrow P(U)$.

Definition 2.2 [5]. Let (F, A) and (G, B) be soft sets over U , then (G, B) is called a soft subset of (F, A) , denoted by $(G, B) \subseteq (F, A)$ if $B \subseteq A$ and $G(b) \subseteq F(b)$ for all $b \in B$.

Definition 2.3 [2]. Let U be an initial universe set, E be the universe set of parameters and $A \subseteq E$.

- a) (F, A) is called a relative null soft set (with respect to the parameter set A), denoted by (N, A) if $F(e) = \emptyset$, for all $e \in A$.
- b) We shall denote by \emptyset_U the unique soft set over U with an empty parameter set which is called the empty soft set over U .

Definition 2.4 [2]. Let U be an initial universe set, E be the universe set of parameters and $A \subseteq E$. Then (U, A) is said to be an absolute soft set over U if $U(e) = U$, for all $e \in A$.

Definition 2.3 [2]. Let (F, A) and (G, B) be two soft sets over a common universe U , then

- 1) The extended intersection of (F, A) and (G, B) denoted by $(F, A) \cap_e (G, B)$, is defined as soft set (H, C) where $C = A \cap B, \forall c \in C$,

$$H(c) = \begin{cases} F(c) & \text{if } c \in A \setminus B \\ G(c) & \text{if } c \in B \setminus A \\ F(c) \cap G(c) & \text{if } c \in A \cap B \end{cases}$$

- 2) The restricted intersection of (F, A) and (G, B) , denoted by $(F, A) \cap (G, B)$, is defined as soft set (H, C) where $C = A \cap B$ and $H(c) = F(c) \cap G(c)$ for all $c \in C$.

Definition 2.4 [2]. Let (F, A) and (G, B) be two soft sets over a common universe U , then

- 1) The extended union of (F, A) and (G, B) denoted by $(F, A) \cup_e (G, B)$, is defined as soft set (H, C) where $C = A \cup B, \forall c \in C$,

$$H(c) = \begin{cases} F(c) & \text{if } c \in A \setminus B \\ G(c) & \text{if } c \in B \setminus A \\ F(c) \cup G(c) & \text{if } c \in A \cap B \end{cases}$$

- 2) The restricted union of (F, A) and (G, B) , denoted by $(F, A) \cup (G, B)$, is defined as soft set (H, C) where $C = A \cap B$ and $H(c) = F(c) \cup G(c)$ for all $c \in C$.

2. Principle Soft Ideals

In the rest of this paper, S is a semigroup and S^1 denotes the monoid generated by S .

Definition 2.1. [2]. Let (F, A) and (G, B) be two soft sets over a semigroup S . The restricted product of (F, A) and (G, B) denoted by $(F, A) \tilde{\circ} (G, B)$ is defined as the soft set $(H; C)$ where $C = A \cap B$ and $H(c) = F(c)G(c)$ for all $c \in C$.

Definition 2.2. [2]. A soft set (F, A) over a semigroup S is called a soft semigroup if by $(\mathcal{N}, A) \neq (F, A) \neq \emptyset_S$ and $(F, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A) \subseteq (F, A)$.

It is shown that (F, A) is a soft semigroup over S if and only if $\forall x \in A, F(x) \neq \emptyset$ is a subsemigroup of S [2].

Definition 3.3. [2]. A soft set $(\mathcal{N}, A) \neq (F, A) \neq \emptyset_S$ over a semigroup S is called a soft left (right) ideal over S , if $(S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A) \subseteq (F, A)$ ($(F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) \subseteq (F, A)$) Where (S, A) is an absolute soft set over S . A soft set over S is a soft ideal if it is both a soft left and a soft right ideal over S .

It is shown that a soft set (F, A) over S is a soft ideal over S if and only if $F(a) \neq \emptyset$ is an ideal of S [2].

Definition 2.3. Let $x \in S$. A soft set (x, A) over a semigroup S is called a soft singleton if $x(a) = \{x\}$ for all $a \in A$.

Definition 2.3. For a soft singleton (x, A) and a soft set (F, A) over S , we say (x, A) belongs to (F, A) , denoted by $(x, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$, if $x \in F(a)$, for all $a \in A$.

Example 2.4. Let $S = (N, +)$ be the semigroup of natural numbers. Define $F : A = \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow P(N)$ by $F(1) = \{2, 3, 4, \dots\}$, $F(2) = \{3, 4, 5, \dots\}$ and $F(3) = \{4, 5, 6, \dots\}$. It is obvious that $(4, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$ because $4 \in F(a)$ for all $a \in A$ while (x, A) does not belong to (F, A) for all $x \in A$.

Proposition 2.5. Let (F, A) be a soft set over a semigroup S . If (F, A) is a soft semigroup, then $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$ for any $(x, A), (y, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$.

Proof. Assume that (F, A) is a soft semigroup, then for all $a \in A, F(a)$ is a subsemigroup of S . Let $(x, A), (y, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A) \Rightarrow (x, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) = (xy, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$ because $xy \in F(a)$ for all $a \in A$. \square

Proposition 2.6. If (F, A) is a soft left (right) ideal over a semigroup S , then $(S, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A), ((x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A))$ for all $(x, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$.

Proof. Suppose that (F, A) is a soft left (right) ideal over, then for all $a \in A, F(a)$ is a left (right) ideal of S . Let $x \in F(a)$ for all $a \in A$, then $Sx \subseteq F(a)$ ($xS \subseteq F(a)$) for all $a \in A$. Thus $(S, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A), ((x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A))$ for all $(x, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$. \square

Generally, the opposite direction of the above proposition is not true. Also, it is not necessary that a soft set (F, A) equals union of all soft singletons belonging to it. This fact is depicted in the following example.

Example 2.7. Let $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ be a semigroup defined by the following table

.	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	2	3	4	5
2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	2	3	3	2
4	4	2	4	4	2
5	5	5	5	5	5

For $A = \{1, 2\} \subset S$, define the soft set (F, A) by $F(1) = \{4, 5\}$ and $F(2) = \{4\}$. Clearly, $(4, A)$ is the only soft singleton belonging to (F, A) . Moreover, $(4, A) \tilde{\circ} (4, A) \tilde{\in} (F, A)$ but (F, A) is not a soft semigroup over S because $F(1) = \{4, 5\}$ is not subsemigroup of S . It is obvious that (F, A) is not the union of its soft singletons. Let (G, A) be a soft set over S defined as $G(1) = \{1, 2, 4\}$ and $G(2) = \{2, 4\}$. The soft singletons belonging to (G, A) are $(2, A)$ and $(4, A)$. Easily, one can show that $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) \tilde{\subseteq} (G, A)$ for all $(x, A) \tilde{\in} (G, A)$ but (G, A) is not a soft right ideal over S because $G(1) = \{1, 2, 4\}$ is not an ideal of S .

Definition 2.8. The smallest soft right (left) ideal over S containing (x, A) is called the principal soft right (left) ideal generated by (x, A) . The smallest soft ideal over S containing (x, A) is called the principal soft ideal generated by (x, A) .

By definition, $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A) = (H, A)$ such that $H(a) = xS^1 = \{x\} \cup xS$. That is, $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A)$ is a soft set over S with a constant value equals the principal right ideal of S generated by $\{x\}$.

Lemma2.9. $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A)$ is the principal soft right ideal over S generated by (x, A) .

Proof. Clearly, $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A)$ is a soft right ideal over S and $(x, A) \tilde{\in} (x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A)$. Let (G, A) be a soft right ideal over S containing (x, A) , then

$$xS^1 \subseteq G(a)S^1 = G(a) \cup G(a)S \subseteq G(a)$$

hence $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A) \tilde{\subseteq} (G, A)$. Then $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A)$ is the principal soft right ideal over S generated by (x, A) . \square

Similarly, we get the dual result.

Lemma2.9. $(S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A)$ is the principal soft left ideal over S generated by (x, A) .

Lemma2.10. $(S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) \tilde{\circ} (S^1, A)$ is the principal soft ideal over S generated by (x, A) .

Proof. Since $x = 1x1 \subseteq S^1xS^1$, then $(x, A) \in (S^1, A) \circ (x, A) \circ (S^1, A)$. Obviously, $(S^1, A) \circ (x, A) \circ (S^1, A)$ is a soft ideal over S . Suppose that (G, A) be a soft ideal over S containing (x, A) , then

$$S^1xS^1 \subseteq S^1G(a)S^1 = G(a) \cup G(a)S \cup SG(a) \cup SG(a)S \subseteq G(a)$$

thus $(S^1, A) \circ (x, A) \circ (S^1, A) \subseteq (G, A)$. Then $(S^1, A) \circ (x, A) \circ (S^1, A)$ is the principal soft ideal over S generated by (x, A) . \square

Lemma 2.12. (Principle soft left Ideal Lemma). Let $x, y \in S$, then the following statements are equivalent;

- 1) $(S^1, A) \circ (x, A) \subseteq (S^1, A) \circ (y, A)$,
- 2) $(x, A) \in (S^1, A) \circ (y, A)$,
- 3) $x = y$ or $x = sy$ for some $s \in S$.

Proof. Straightforward.

Lemma 2.13. (Principle Soft Right Ideal Lemma). Let $x, y \in S$, then the following statements are equivalent;

- 1) $(x, A) \circ (S^1, A) \subseteq (y, A) \circ (S^1, A)$,
- 2) $(x, A) \in (y, A) \circ (S^1, A)$,
- 3) $x = y$ or $x = ys$ for some $s \in S$.

Proof. Straightforward.

Theorem 2.14. Let \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{R} be relations on a semigroup S defined by

- 1) $x\mathcal{L}y$ if and only if $(S^1, A) \circ (x, A) = (S^1, A) \circ (y, A)$,
- 2) $x\mathcal{R}y$ if and only if $(x, A) \circ (S^1, A) = (y, A) \circ (S^1, A)$.

Then $\mathcal{L}[\mathcal{R}]$ is a right [left] congruence relation.

Proof. $x\mathcal{L}x$ ($x\mathcal{R}x$) because $S^1x = S^1x$ ($xS^1 = xS^1$). It is clear that \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{R} are symmetric and transitive relations. Then \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{R} are equivalence relations. To show that $\mathcal{L}[\mathcal{R}]$ is a right [left] congruence, assume $x\mathcal{L}y$ [$x\mathcal{R}y$] and $s \in S$ then

$$(S^1, A) \circ (x, A) = (S^1, A) \circ (y, A) \quad [(x, A) \circ (S^1, A) = (y, A) \circ (S^1, A)]$$

that is,

$$S^1x = S^1y \Rightarrow S^1xs = S^1ys \quad [xS^1 = yS^1 \Rightarrow sxS^1 = syS^1].$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (S^1, A) \circ (x, A) \circ (s, A) &= (S^1, A) \circ (y, A) \circ (s, A) \quad [(s, A) \circ (x, A) \circ (S^1, A) \\ &= (s, A) \circ (y, A) \circ (S^1, A)], \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $x\mathcal{L}y \Leftrightarrow [sx\mathcal{R}sy]$. Thus $\mathcal{L} [\mathcal{R}]$ is a right [left] congruence. \square

Corollary 2.15. For $x, y \in S$, we have

- $x\mathcal{L}y \Leftrightarrow \exists s, t \in S^1$ such that $(s, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) = (x, A)$ and $(t, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) = (y, A)$.
- $x\mathcal{R}y \Leftrightarrow \exists s, t \in S^1$ such that $(y, A) \tilde{\circ} (s, A) = (x, A)$ and $(x, A) \tilde{\circ} (t, A) = (y, A)$.

Proof. Let $x\mathcal{L}y \Leftrightarrow$ if $(S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) = (S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) \Leftrightarrow (S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) \sqsubseteq (S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A)$ and $(S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) \sqsubseteq (S^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) \Leftrightarrow x = sy$ and $y = tx$ for some $t, s \in S \Leftrightarrow (s, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) = (x, A)$ and $(t, A) \tilde{\circ} (x, A) = (y, A)$, by lemma 3.7. For $x\mathcal{R}y$, the result comes directly by a similar argument. \square

Definition 2.16. We define the equivalence relation $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{L} \cap \mathcal{R}$. For $x \in S$, we define L_x to be the \mathcal{L} -class of x ; R_x to be the \mathcal{R} -class of x and H_x is the \mathcal{H} -class of x .

Example 2.17. Let $x, y \in S = (N, +)$, then

$$x\mathcal{L}y \Leftrightarrow (N^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) = (N^1, A) \tilde{\circ} (y, A) \Leftrightarrow N^1 + x = N^1 + y \Leftrightarrow x = y.$$

Thus $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{H} = \{(x, x) : \forall x \in N\}$ and then $L_x = R_x = H_x = \{x\}$, for all $x \in N$.

3. Soft Ideals Generated by Soft Sets

Authors in [2], showed that $(F, A) \cap_{\mathcal{R}} (G, B)$ for any soft ideals (F, A) and (G, B) over S is a soft ideal. Hence the restricted intersection of all soft ideals over S containing the soft set (H, A) is the soft ideal over S generated by (H, A) .

Definition 3.1. The smallest soft right (left) ideal over S containing (F, A) is called the soft right (left) ideal generated by (F, A) , denoted by $([F], A)$ ($(\langle F \rangle, A)$). The smallest soft ideal over S containing (F, A) is called the soft ideal generated by (F, A) , denoted by $((F), A)$.

Theorem 3.2. Let (F, A) be a soft set over S , then

$$(\langle F \rangle, A) = (F, A) \sqcup (S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A).$$

Proof. Let $\{(F_i, A) : i \in I\}$ the family of all soft left ideals over S containing (F, A) , then $F_i(\alpha)$ is a left ideal of S for all $i \in I, \alpha \in A$. Since $SF(\alpha) \subseteq SF_i(\alpha) \subseteq F_i(\alpha)$ for each $i \in I, \alpha \in A$, then

$$(S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A) \sqsubseteq \prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\}.$$

As a result, $(F, A) \sqcup (S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A) \sqsubseteq \prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\}$. We notice that $(\langle F \rangle, A)$ is a soft left ideal over S^1 because $\langle F \rangle(\alpha)$ is the left ideal of S generated by $F(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in A$. This follows that we have $\prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\} \sqsubseteq ((F), A)$. By definition, we get

$$\prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\} = ((F), A).$$

Similarly, we prove the following result.

Theorem 3.3. Let (F, A) be a soft set over S , then

$$([F], A) = (F, A) \sqcup (F, A) \cong (S, A).$$

Theorem 3.4. Let (F, A) be a soft set over S^1 , then

$$\langle F \rangle(a) = \bigcup_{x \in S^1} xF(a)$$

Proof. Since for all $a \in A, F(a) = 1F(a) \subseteq \langle F \rangle(a)$, then $(F, A) \subseteq (\langle F \rangle, A)$. The soft set $(\langle F \rangle, A)$ is a soft left ideal over S^1 . Indeed, by definition $(S^1, A) \cong (\langle F \rangle, A) = (H, A)$ where

$$H(a) = S^1 \langle F \rangle(a) = S^1 \left(\bigcup_{x \in S^1} xF(a) \right) = \bigcup_{x \in S^1} S^1 xF(a) \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in S^1} xF(a) = \langle F \rangle(a)$$

Thus $H(a) \subseteq \langle F \rangle(a)$ for all $a \in A$. As a result, $(\langle F \rangle, A)$ is a soft left ideal over S^1 . Let (G, A) be a soft left ideal over S^1 containing (F, A) , then

$$\langle F \rangle(a) = \bigcup_{x \in S^1} xF(a) \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in S^1} xG(a) \subseteq G(a).$$

Hence $(\langle F \rangle, A) \subseteq (G, A)$. By definition, we conclude that $(\langle F \rangle, A) = (G, A)$. This ends the proof. \square

Similarly, we prove the following result.

Theorem 3.5. Let (F, A) be a soft set over S^1 , then

$$\langle F \rangle(a) = \bigcup_{x \in S^1} F(a)x.$$

Example 3.6. Consider the non-commutative semigroup $S = \{1, a, b, c\}$

.	1	a	b	c
1	1	a	b	c
a	a	a	a	a
b	b	b	b	b
c	c	b	a	c

For $A = \{1\} \subset S$, define a soft set (F, A) over S by $F(1) = \{b\}$. By definition, $(S, A) \cong (F, A) = (H, A)$ such that $H(1) = SF(1) = S\{b\} = \{a, b\}$. Then

$$\langle F \rangle(\mathbf{1}) = F(\mathbf{1}) \cup SF(\mathbf{1}) = \{a, b\}.$$

That is, $(\langle F \rangle, A) = (F, A) \sqcup (S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A)$ is a soft left ideal over S containing (F, A) . Let (G, A) be a soft left ideal over S containing (F, A) . Then $\{b\} = F(\mathbf{1}) \subseteq G(\mathbf{1}) = \{a, b, c\}$ or $G(\mathbf{1}) = \{a, b\}$. For all cases, $(\langle F \rangle, A) \sqsubseteq (G, A)$. Therefore, $(\langle F \rangle, A)$ is the soft left ideal over S containing (F, A) .

Let (F, A) be a soft set over S defined by $F(\mathbf{1}) = \{c\}$. By definition, $(F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) = (H, A)$ such that $H(\mathbf{1}) = F(\mathbf{1})S = \{c\}S = \{a, b, c\}$. Then

$$[F](\mathbf{1}) = F(\mathbf{1}) \cup F(\mathbf{1})S = \{a, b, c\}.$$

That is, $([F], A) = (F, A) \sqcup (F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A)$ is a soft right ideal over S containing (F, A) . Let (G, A) be a soft right ideal over S containing (F, A) . Then $\{c\} = F(\mathbf{1}) \subseteq G(\mathbf{1}) = \{a, b, c\}$ is the only right ideal of S that contains $F(\mathbf{1})$. Thus $([F], A) \sqsubseteq (G, A)$. Therefore, $([F], A)$ is the soft right ideal over S containing (F, A) . \square

Theorem 3.7. Let (F, A) be a soft set over S , then

$$((F), A) = (F, A) \sqcup (F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) \sqcup (F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) \sqcup (S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A).$$

Proof. Let $\{(F_i, A) : i \in I\}$ the family of all soft ideals over S containing (F, A) , then $F_i(a)$ is an ideal of S for all $i \in I, a \in A$. By the same way as in theorem, we show that

$$\begin{aligned} (S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A) &\sqsubseteq \prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\}, \\ (F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) &\sqsubseteq \prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(S, A) \tilde{\circ} (F, A) \tilde{\circ} (S, A) \sqsubseteq \prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\}$$

for each $i \in I, a \in A$. Hence $((F), A) \sqsubseteq \prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\}$. Because

$$(F)(a) = F(a) \cup SF(a) \cup F(a)S \cup SF(a)S$$

is the ideal of S generated by $F(a)$ for all $a \in A$. Thus we have $\prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\} \sqsubseteq ((F), A)$. By definition, we get $\prod_{i \in I} \{(F_i, A)\} = ((F), A)$. \square

Theorem 3.8. Let (F, A) be a soft set over S^1 , then

$$([\langle F \rangle], A) = ((F), A) = (\langle [F] \rangle, A).$$

Proof. By definition, $([\langle F \rangle], A)$ is a soft right ideal over S^1 . Also $(\langle [F] \rangle, A)$ is a soft left ideal over S^1 . Indeed, we have

$$S^1[\langle F \rangle](a) = S^1\left(\bigcup_{x \in S^1} \langle F \rangle(a)x\right) = \bigcup_{x \in S^1} S^1\langle F \rangle(a)x \sqsubseteq \bigcup_{x \in S^1} \langle F \rangle(a)x = \langle [F] \rangle(a).$$

So $(\langle\langle F \rangle\rangle, A)$ is a soft ideal over S^1 containing (F, A) . Let (G, A) be a soft ideal over S^1 containing (F, A) , then $(\langle\langle F \rangle\rangle, A) \sqsubseteq (G, A)$ and $(\langle\langle F \rangle\rangle, A) \sqsubseteq (G, A)$. This means $(\langle\langle F \rangle\rangle, A)$ is a soft ideal over S^1 generated by (F, A) , hence $(\langle\langle F \rangle\rangle, A) = (F, A)$. Similarly, we can show that $(F, A) = (\langle\langle F \rangle\rangle, A)$. This completes the proof. \square

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