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Полугруппой-степенью некоторой группы называется множество всех непустых подмножеств данной группы с естественной операцией умножения, индуцированной операцией группы. В статье описаны автоморфизмы полугруппы-степени циклической группы простого порядка. Показано, что для всех простых чисел за исключением 3 и 5 все автоморфизмы полугруппы-степени индуцированы автоморфизмами исходной группы.

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## Automorphisms of global semigroups <br> of cyclic groups of prime order

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## 1. Introduction

We use terminology from [2] throughout. The global semigroup or the semigroup-power of a semigroup $S$ is the set $\mathcal{P}^{+}(S)$ of all nonempty subsets of $S$ with a natural associative operation $A B=\{a b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$. In the general case, the description of the group of automorphisms of $\mathcal{P}^{+}(S)$ is not known. In the present work we solve this problem in a particular case when $S$ is a cyclic group $C_{p}$ of prime order $p$.

Let $G$ be a group. An element $A$ from $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$ is called a $k$-element, if $A$ as a subset of $G$ consists of $k$ elements. We distinguish two subgroups in the group $\operatorname{Aut} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$ of all automorphisms of the global semigroup:
a) the group of induced automorphisms $\operatorname{Ind} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$. Each automorphism $\varphi$ of the group $G$ extends naturally to an automorphism $\bar{\varphi}$ of the semigroup $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G): \bar{\varphi}(A)=\{\varphi(a) \mid a \in A\}$. The group Ind $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$ consists of all automorphisms of $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$ that are induced in this way by the automorphisms of $G$;
b) the group of proper automorphisms $\operatorname{Own} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$. We say that an automorphism of $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$ is proper, if it fixes all the 1-elements of $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$.

Proposition 1. If $G$ is a group, then

$$
\text { Aut } \mathcal{P}^{+}(G) \simeq \operatorname{Own} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G) \rtimes \operatorname{Ind} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)
$$

(semidirect product with $\operatorname{Own} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$ normal).
4 Let $\varphi$ be an automorphism of $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$. Its restriction onto 1-elements gives an automorphism of the group $G$. Consider the induced automorphism $\overline{\left.\varphi\right|_{G}}$ of $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$ and also the proper automorphism $\psi=\varphi \circ\left(\overline{\left.\varphi\right|_{G}}\right)^{-1}$. We have $\varphi=\psi \circ \overline{\left.\varphi\right|_{G}}$, thus Aut $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G)=\operatorname{Own} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G) \inf \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$. Also Own $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G) \cap \operatorname{Ind} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)=\{e\}$, Own $\mathcal{P}^{+}(G) \triangleleft \operatorname{Aut} \mathcal{P}^{+}(G)$.

## 2. Auxiliary lemmas

Let $e$ be the unit, and $a$ a generator of the group $C_{p}$. In the sequel the words set, subset mean a subset of $C_{p}$, i. e. an element of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$. The class of the Green's relation (all Green's relations on $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$ coincide, since $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$ is commutative) that contains a subset $\left\{g_{1}, \ldots, g_{k}\right\}$ will be denoted $\left[\left\{g_{1}, \ldots, g_{k}\right\}\right]$. Throughout this section we assume $p \geqslant 5$.

## Lemma 1.

(a) $\forall A \in \mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right), A \neq C_{p}, \forall g, h \in C_{p}, g A=h A \Leftrightarrow g=h$;
(b) if $2 \leqslant|A|<p, 2 \leqslant|B|<p$, then $|A B|>|B|$;
(c) $B \in[A] \Leftrightarrow B=g A, g \in C_{p}$;
(d) for $A \neq C_{p}$ the class $[A]$ has $p$ elements: $A, a A, \ldots, a^{p-1} A$; the class $\left[C_{p}\right]$ has only one element $C_{p}$, which is zero of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$;
(e) there are $(p-1) / 2$ Green's classes of 2-elements: $[\{e, a\}],\left[\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}\right], \ldots,\left[\left\{e, a^{(p-1) / 2}\right\}\right]$;
(f) $\forall A \in \mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right), A \neq C_{p}, \forall g \in C_{p}$ one has: $g\left(C_{p} \backslash A\right)=C_{p} \backslash g A$.

4 Let us prove (c) and (e).
(c). $B \in[A]$ means that there exist $D_{1}, D_{2} \in \mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$ such that $A=D_{1} B, B=D_{2} A$, or $A=D_{1} D_{2} A$. If $A \neq C_{p}$, then by (b) we have $\left|D_{1} D_{2}\right|=1,\left|D_{2}\right|=1$, that is $D_{2}=\{g\}, g \in C_{p}$. If $A=C_{p}$, the statement does not need a proof.
(e). In view of (d) it remains only to prove that the classes listed in (e) are different. Suppose that $\left[\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right]=\left[\left\{e, a^{l}\right\}\right], k \neq l, 1 \leqslant k, l \leqslant(p-1) / 2$. Then it follows from (c) that

$$
\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}=a^{m}\left\{e, a^{l}\right\}=\left\{a^{m}, a^{m+l}\right\}
$$

for some $m, 0 \leqslant m \leqslant p-1$. But $k \neq l$, thus $m \neq 0, a^{m} \neq e$. Then it must be $a^{l+m}=e, l+m=p$, $m=k$. But this implies $l=p-k \geqslant(p+1) / 2>(p-1) / 2$, which is a contradiction.

Note that the degree of nilpotency of each 2 -element equals $p-1$. It follows from Lemma 1, 2 , that for $|A| \geqslant 3$ the degree of nilpotency is not greater than $p-2$; 1-elements are not nilpotent. Therefore any automorphism maps the 2 -elements to 2 -elements.

In this section we speak only about proper automorphisms of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$, so the word proper will usually be omitted.

Lemma 2. Let $\varphi$ be a proper automorphism of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$. If for any 2 -element $A$ it holds that $\varphi(A) \in[A]$, then for all 2-elements $\varphi(A)=A$. That is, if every class of 2-elements is invariant under the automorphism $\varphi$, then $\varphi$ acts on 2-elements identically.

4 Let $\varphi(\{e, a\})=g\{e, a\}$. Take arbitrary $k, 2 \leqslant k \leqslant(p-1) / 2$, and let $\varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right)=h\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}$, $g, h \in C_{p}$. We have:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \varphi\left(\{e, a\}^{p-2}\right)=g^{p-2}\{e, a\}^{p-2}=g^{p-2}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}\right), \\
& \varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}^{p-2}\right)=h^{p-2}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-k}\right\}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

But $C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-k}\right\}=a^{1-k}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}\right)$, thus

$$
\varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}^{p-2}\right)=h^{p-2}\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}^{p-2}=\varphi\left(a^{1-k}\{e, a\}^{p-2}\right)=g^{p-2}\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}^{p-2} .
$$

It follows that $g^{p-2}=h^{p-2}, g=h$. Thus if $A$ is a 2-element, then $\varphi(A)=g A$, in particular $\varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}\right)=g\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}$. Then

$$
\varphi\left(\{e, a\}^{3}\right)=g^{3}\{e, a\}^{3}=g^{3}\left\{e, a, a^{2}, a^{3}\right\}
$$

but $\left\{e, a, a^{2}, a^{3}\right\}=\{e, a\}\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}$, that gives

$$
\varphi\left(\{e, a\}^{3}\right)=\varphi\left(\{e, a\}\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}\right)=g^{2}\{e, a\}^{3} .
$$

This is possible only for $g^{3}=g^{2}$, that is for $g=e$. Therefore $\varphi(A)=A$ for every 2-element $A$.
Lemma 3. Let $\varphi$ be a proper automorphism of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$. If for some 2-element $\left\{g_{1}, g_{2}\right\}$ $\varphi\left(\left\{g_{1}, g_{2}\right\}\right) \in\left[\left\{g_{1}, g_{2}\right\}\right]$, then $\varphi$ acts on all 2 elements identically.

4 Without loss of generality we may assume that the class [\{e,a\}] is invariant (we can take a different generator of $C_{p}$ if necessary). So, let $\varphi(\{e, a\})=g\{e, a\}$ for some $g \in C_{p}$.

Let us take arbitrary $k, 2 \leqslant k \leqslant(p-1) / 2$, and show that the class $\left[\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right]$ is also invariant under $\varphi$. Suppose that $\varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right)=h\left\{e, a^{m}\right\}, h \in C_{p}, 2 \leqslant m \leqslant(p-1) / 2$. We have:

$$
\{e, a\}^{k-1}\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}=\left\{e, a, a^{2}, \ldots, a^{2 k-1}\right\}=\{e, a\}^{2 k-1} \neq C_{p}
$$

because $2 k-1 \leqslant p-2$. Applying the automorphism $\varphi$ to this relation we get

$$
g^{k-1} h\{e, a\}^{k-1}\left\{e, a^{m}\right\}=g^{2 k-1}\left\{e, a, \ldots, a^{2 k-1}\right\},
$$

or

$$
g^{k} h^{-1}\left\{e, a, \ldots, a^{2 k-1}\right\}=\left\{e, a, \ldots, a^{k-1}, a^{m}, \ldots, a^{m+k-1}\right\} .
$$

This is possible only if $m=k$ or if $m=p-k$. We agreed to choose $m \leqslant(p-1) / 2, k \leqslant(p-1) / 2$, hence $m=k, \varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right)=h\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}$, i. e., $\varphi$ does not move the class $\left[\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right]$. Now our lemma follows from Lemma 2.

We can conclude that an automorphism is either identity on 2 -elements, or moves all the 2-elements.

Lemma 4. Each proper automorphism of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$ acts identically on $(p-1)$-elements.
4 If an automorphism acts identically on 2-elements, it acts also identically on $p-1$ elements, since $\{e, a\}^{p-2}=\left\{e, a, \ldots, a^{p-2}\right\}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}$.

If an automorphism $\varphi$ is not identity on 2-elements, consider one of the cycles of the permutation induced by $\varphi$ on the classes of 2 -elements:

$$
\varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}\right)=g_{1}\left\{e, a^{k_{2}}\right\}, \ldots, \varphi\left(\left\{e, a^{k_{n}}\right\}\right)=g_{n}\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\},
$$

$g_{i} \in C_{p}, 1 \leqslant i \leqslant n . p-1$-elements constitute one class of the Green's relation on $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$; every 2 -element in degree $p-2$ lies in this class, in particular

$$
\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}^{p-2}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-k_{1}}\right\}, \quad \ldots, \quad\left\{e, a^{k_{n}}\right\}^{p-2}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-k_{n}}\right\} .
$$

Thus (Lemma 1, 5) the following relations hold:

$$
a^{k_{1}-k_{2}}\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}^{p-2}=\left\{e, a^{k_{2}}\right\}^{p-2}, \quad \ldots, \quad a^{k_{n-1}-k_{n}}\left\{e, a^{k_{n-1}}\right\}^{p-2}=\left\{e, a^{k_{n}}\right\}^{p-2} .
$$

Applying to these relations the automorphism $\varphi$, we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
& g_{1}^{p-2} a^{k_{1}-k_{2}}\left\{e, a^{k_{2}}\right\}^{p-2}=g_{2}^{p-2}\left\{e, a^{k_{3}}\right\}^{p-2}=g_{2}^{p-2} a^{k_{2}-k_{3}}\left\{e, a^{k_{2}}\right\}^{p-2}, \\
& g_{n-1}^{p-2} a^{k_{n-1}-k_{n}}\left\{e, a^{k_{n}}\right\}^{p-2}=g_{n}^{p-2}\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}^{p-2}=g_{n}^{p-2} a^{k_{n}-k_{1}}\left\{e, a^{k_{n}}\right\}^{p-2},
\end{aligned}
$$

from where we get

$$
g_{1}^{p-2} a^{k_{1}-k_{2}}=g_{2}^{p-2} a^{k_{2}-k_{3}}, \quad \ldots, \quad g_{n-1}^{p-2} a^{k_{n-1}-k_{n}}=g_{n}^{p-2} a^{k_{n}-k_{1}} .
$$

On the other hand, we have

$$
\varphi^{n}\left(\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}\right)=\varphi^{n-1}\left(g_{1}\left\{e, a^{k_{2}}\right\}\right)=g_{1} \ldots g_{n}\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}
$$

that is the automorphism $\varphi^{n}$ leaves invariant the class $\left[\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}\right]$. But then Lemma 3 implies that $\varphi^{n}$ fixes all the 2-elements, that is $g_{1} \ldots g_{n}=e$. Hence the elements $g_{1}, \ldots, g_{n}$ of $C_{p}$ satisfy the system

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
g_{1}^{p-2} a^{k_{1}-k_{2}}=g_{2}^{k_{2}-k_{3}} a^{k_{2}-k_{3}} \\
\cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \\
g_{n-1}^{p-2} a^{k_{n-1}-k_{n}}=g_{n}^{p-2} a^{k_{n}-k_{1}} \\
g_{1} g_{2} \cdots g_{n}=e
\end{array}\right.
$$

Let us express $g_{2}^{p-2}, \ldots, g_{n}^{p-2}$ through $g_{1}^{p-2}$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& g_{2}^{p-2}=a^{k_{1}-2 k_{2}+k_{3}} g_{1}^{p-2}, \\
& g_{3}^{p-2}=a^{k_{1}-k_{2}-k_{3}+k_{4}} g_{1}^{p-2}, \\
& \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \cdots \\
& g_{n-1}^{p-2}=a^{k_{1}-k_{2}-k_{n-1}+k_{n}} g_{1}^{p-2}, \\
& g_{n}^{p-2}=a^{2 k_{1}-k_{2}-k_{n}} g_{1}^{p-2} g_{1}^{p-2} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Exponentiate the last equation of the system to the degree $p-2$ and substitute for $g_{2}^{p-2}, \ldots, g_{n}^{p-2}$ their expressions through $g_{1}^{p-2}$. We obtain $g_{1}^{n(p-2)} a^{n\left(k_{1}-k_{2}\right)}=e$. Since $n<p, g_{1}^{p-2} a^{k_{1}-k_{2}}=e$, $g_{1}^{p-2}=a^{k_{2}-k_{1}}$. It follows that

$$
\varphi\left(\left\{e, a_{1}^{k}\right\}^{p-2}=a^{k_{2}-k_{1}}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-k_{2}}\right\}\right)=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-k_{1}}\right\}=\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}^{p-2} .\right.
$$

This means that the set $\left\{e, a^{k_{1}}\right\}$ is fixed by $\varphi$. In the same way one proves that all the other 2 -elements are fixed by $\varphi$.

Lemma 5. Assume that $p \geqslant 7$. Then each proper automorphism of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$ leaves invariant all the 2 -elements.
« Let $\varphi(\{e, a\})=g\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}, g \in C_{p}, 2 \leqslant k \leqslant(p-2) / 2$. From the relation

$$
\{e, a\}\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}=\left\{e, a, a^{2}, a^{3}, a^{4}\right\}=\{e, a\}^{4}
$$

we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
g^{4}\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}^{4}=g\left\{e, a^{k}\right\} \varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right) . \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

First note that $\left|\varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right)\right|=3$. Indeed, since $\left|\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}^{4}\right|=5$, it must be $3 \leqslant \mid \varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right) \leqslant 4$. But from $\left|\varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right)\right|=4$ and (1) it follows that

$$
\left|\varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right) \cap a^{k} \varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right)\right|=3
$$

which is possible only if $\varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right) \in\left[\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}^{3}\right]$. But this class is the image of the class $\left[\{e, a\}^{3}\right] \neq\left[\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right]$. Thus, if we denote $g^{-3} \varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right)=\left\{a^{x}, a^{y}, a^{z}\right\}$, where $0 \leqslant x, y, z \leqslant$ $p-1$, then (1) takes the form

$$
\left\{a^{x}, a^{y}, a^{z}\right\}\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}=\left\{e, a^{k}, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}, a^{4 k}\right\}
$$

or

$$
\left\{a^{x}, a^{y}, a^{z}, a^{x+k}, a^{y+k}, a^{z+k}\right\}=\left\{e, a^{k}, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}, a^{4 k}\right\}
$$

Since the set on the right has 5 elements, one of the following congruences must hold:

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
x \equiv(y+k), & x \equiv(z+k), & y \equiv(x+k)(\bmod p), \\
y \equiv(z+k), & z \equiv(x+k), & z \equiv(y+k)(\bmod p) .
\end{array}
$$

Let us suppose that $z \equiv(x+k)(\bmod p)$ holds. Then we have

$$
\left\{a^{x}, a^{y}, a^{x+k}, a^{y+k}, a^{x+2 k}\right\}=\left\{e, a^{k}, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}, a^{4 k}\right\}
$$

Considering 5 cases 1) $a^{x}=e, x=0$, 2) $\left.a^{y}=e, y=0,3\right) a^{x+k}=e, x \equiv-k(\bmod p)$, 4) $a^{y+k}=e$, $y+k \equiv-k(\bmod p), 5) a^{x+2 k}=e, x \equiv-2 k(\bmod p)$, one checks that only

1) $\left[\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right] \xrightarrow{\varphi}\left[\left\{e, a^{k}, a^{3 k}\right\}\right]$, or
2) $\left[\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right] \xrightarrow{\varphi}\left[\left\{e, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}\right\}\right]$
are possible. The argument below depends on the residue of $p$ modulo 3 , so we have to consider 4 cases.

But for the beginning let us prove 2 relations. Let $\varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right)=g\left\{e, a^{k}, a^{3 k}\right\}, \varphi(\{e, a\})=$ $h\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}, g, h \in C_{p}$. First, applying to the relation

$$
\{e, a\}\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}=\{e, a\}^{4} \neq C_{p}
$$

the automorphism $\varphi$, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
g=h^{3} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Also, $\{e, a\}^{p-2}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}$, thus $C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} h^{p-2}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}\right)$. But by Lemma 4 $C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}$, therefore $h^{p-2} a^{-k}=a^{-1}$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
h^{p-2}=a^{k-1} . \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Relations (2) and (3) hold also when $\varphi\left(\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}\right)=g\left\{e, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}\right\}$ and can be proved in the same way.
I. Let $p=3 l+1,\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}^{l}=\left\{e, a, \ldots, a^{3 l-2}, a^{3 l}\right\}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{3 l-1}\right\}$. Consider the case 1):

$$
\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} g\left\{e, a^{k}, a^{3 k}\right\}, \quad \varphi(\{e, a\})=h\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}, \quad g, h \in C_{p}, \quad 1 \leqslant k \leqslant(p-1) / 2 .
$$

We have (2)

$$
C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{p-2}\right\}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{3 l-1}\right\}=\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}^{l} \xrightarrow{\varphi} g^{l}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{3 l-1}\right\}\right)=h^{p-1}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{(p-2) k}\right\}\right) .
$$

Lemma 4 implies that

$$
h^{p-1} a^{(p-2) k}=a^{p-2}, \quad h^{-1}=a^{(p-2)(k-1)}, \quad h=a^{(p-2)(k-1)} .
$$

Then, by (3), $(p-2)^{2}(k-1) \equiv(k-1)(\bmod p)$. If $2 \leqslant k \leqslant(p-1) / 2, k-1$ is coprime to $p$, thus $(p-2)^{2} \equiv 1(\bmod p)$, but this may hold only for $p=3$, whereas we have $p \geqslant 7$. Hence $k=1$, $h=e, \varphi(\{e, a\})=\{e, a\}$, and by Lemma 3 all the 2-elements are invariant.

Consider the case 2):

$$
\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} g\left\{e, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}\right\}, \quad\{e, a\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} h\left\{e, a^{k}\right\} .
$$

We have $C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{p-2}\right\}=\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}^{l} \xrightarrow{\varphi} h^{3 l}\left\{e, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}\right\}^{l}=h^{p-1}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{k}\right\}\right)$, and by Lemma 4, $h^{-1} a^{k}=a^{p-2}, h=a^{k+2}$. Now by relation (3) $a^{(p-2)(k+2)}=a^{k-1}, a^{-2 k-4+1-k}=e,-3(k+1) \equiv$ $0(\bmod p)$. Under our restrictions on $k$ the last congruence does not hold, thus variant 2 ) is impossible.
II. $p=3 l+2$. Then $\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}^{l}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{p-3}, a^{p-1}\right\},\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}^{l}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{p-1}\right\}$.

If $[\{e, a\}] \xrightarrow{\varphi}\left[\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right]$, then $[\{e, a\}] \xrightarrow{\varphi}\left[\left\{e, a^{k}\right\}\right]$ (this follows from the relation $\{e, a\}\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}=$ $\left.\{e, a\}^{3}\right)$. If $\left\{e, a^{2}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} f\left\{e, a^{2 k}\right\}$, then $\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}^{p-2}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-2}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} f^{p-2}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-2 k}\right\}\right)$, and by Lemma 4, $f^{p-2} a^{-2 k}=a^{-2}$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
f^{p-2}=a^{2(k-1)} . \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consider case 1): $\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} h^{3}\left\{e, a^{k}, a^{3 k}\right\}$. Then

$$
C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}=\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}^{l} \xrightarrow{\varphi} f\left\{e, a^{2 k}\right\} h^{3 l}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{(p-3) k}, a^{(p-1) k}\right\}\right)=f h^{p-2}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-k}\right\}\right) .
$$

By Lemma 4, $f h^{p-2}=a^{k-1}$, then by (3) $f=e$, and from (4) we get $k=1$. It follows from Lemma 3 all the 2 -elements are invariant.

Now consider case 2): $\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\} \xrightarrow{\varphi} h^{3}\left\{e, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}\right\}$. We have:

$$
\left\{e, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}\right\}^{l}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{k}, a^{-k}\right\}, \quad\left\{e, a^{2 k}\right\}\left\{e, a^{2 k}, a^{3 k}\right\}^{l}=C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{k}\right\} .
$$

Thus $C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{-1}\right\}=\left\{e, a^{2}\right\}\left\{e, a, a^{3}\right\}^{l} \xrightarrow{\varphi} f h^{p-2}\left(C_{p} \backslash\left\{a^{k}\right\}\right)$. By Lemma 4 and (3), $f a^{k-1} a^{k}=a^{-1}$, $f=a^{-2 k}$. Then from (2) we get

$$
(-2 k(p-2)) \equiv 2(k-1)(\bmod p),
$$

or $k+1 \equiv 0(\bmod p)$, which does not hold under our restrictions on $k$. Hence variant 2$)$ is impossible. In both possible cases the 2 -elements are invariant.

Corollary 1. Elements of the subsemigroup $S$ generated by 1- and 2-elements are invariant under each proper automorphism of the semigroup $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$.

## 3. The main result

Theorem 1. a. Aut $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{2}\right) \simeq\{e\} ; \operatorname{Aut} \mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{3}\right) \simeq C_{3} \rtimes C_{2}$; Aut $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{5}\right) \simeq C_{2} \times C_{4}$. In the second case the only nontrivial element of $C_{2}$ acts nontrivially on $C_{3}$; in the third the product is direct.
b. If $p \geqslant 7$, then all the automorphisms of the semigroup $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$ are induced by the automorphisms of the group $C_{p}$, i. e.,

$$
\operatorname{Aut} \mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right) \simeq \operatorname{Aut}\left(C_{p}\right) \simeq C_{p-1} .
$$

$\boldsymbol{4} \mathbf{a}$ is proved via a direct calculation. For the proof of $\mathbf{b}$ we use the technique of [1]. Suppose that there exist a proper automorphism $\varphi$ of $\mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right)$ and elements $A, B \in \mathcal{P}^{+}\left(C_{p}\right), A \neq B$, such that $\varphi(A)=B$. In the case $|A| \leqslant p-1$ or $|A|=1$ we immediately get a contradiction with the invariance of the elements of $S$, so assume that $1<|A|<p-1$. Also assume that $B \nsubseteq A$. Then there is $a \in B, a \notin A$, and also there is $b \in C_{p}, b \notin A, b \neq a$. Take $D_{1}=\left\{e, a b^{-1}\right\}$ and consider $D_{1} A, D_{1} B$. We have $a \notin D_{1} A, a \in D_{1} B$, that is $D_{1} A \neq D_{1} B, D_{1} B \nsubseteq D_{1} A$, $|A|<\left|D_{1} A\right| \leqslant p-1$. Continue this process until $\left|D_{1} \ldots D_{n} A\right|=p-1$, i. e. $D_{1} \ldots D_{n} A \in S$. Each $D_{i}$ is a 2-element, thus $D=D_{1} \ldots D_{n} \in S$. Moreover, $a \notin D A$, but $a \in D B$, thus $D A \neq D B$. But then $\varphi(D A)=D \varphi(A)=D B$, which contradicts invariance of the elements of $S$. This contradiction proves the theorem.

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