

The structure of a class of inverse residuated lattices

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Abstract. In this paper, we study some special inverse residuated lattices, namely, E -unitary inverse residuated chains. After giving some properties of such residuated lattices, we obtain a structure theorem for E -unitary inverse residuated chains.

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1. Introduction

Let (\mathfrak{P}, \leq) be a poset. A (binary) operation \circ is called *residuated* if there exist (binary) operations \backslash and $/$ on \mathfrak{P} such that

$$(\forall x, y \in \mathfrak{P}) \quad x \circ y \leq z \iff y \leq x \backslash z \iff x \leq z / y.$$

In this case, the operation pair $(\backslash, /)$ is called a *residuals* of the operation \circ . It is well known that an operation \circ on the poset (\mathfrak{P}, \leq) is residuated if and only if \circ is order preserving in each argument and such that for all $a, b \in \mathfrak{P}$, both $\{p \in \mathfrak{P} \mid a \circ p \leq b\}$ and $\{q \in \mathfrak{P} \mid q \circ a \leq b\}$ contain the greatest element (denote by $a \backslash b$ and b / a , respectively). A *residuated lattice* is defined as an algebra $(\mathfrak{L}, \wedge, \vee, \circ, \backslash, /, e)$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (RL1) $(\mathfrak{L}, \wedge, \vee)$ is a lattice;
- (RL2) (\mathfrak{L}, \circ) is a monoid with identity e ; and
- (RL3) the operation pair $(\backslash, /)$ is a residuals of the operation \circ .

In this case, we call the lattice $(\mathfrak{L}, \wedge, \vee)$ and the semigroup (\mathfrak{L}, \circ) the *lattice reduct* and the *semigroup reduct* of the residuated lattice $(\mathfrak{L}, \wedge, \vee, \circ, \backslash, /, e)$, respectively. Some time, residuated lattices are also called *residuated lattice-ordered monoids*. A residuated lattice is called an *inverse residuated lattice* if its semigroup reduct is an inverse semigroup. An inverse residuated lattice is called an *E -unitary inverse residuated lattice* if its semigroup reduct is an E -unitary inverse semigroup. An E -unitary inverse residuated lattice is called an *E -unitary inverse residuated chain* if its lattice reduct is a chain.

Motivated by the ideal lattices of rings with identity, residuated lattices are initially introduced by Ward and Dilworth in the late of 1930's [21]. Since that time, there has been substantial research regarding some specific classes

of residuated structures(see[4-16]). Recently, some authors investigated various types of residuated lattices from different perspectives . For example, Kühr in [10] considered the $\{\backslash, /, e\}$ -subreducts of integral residuated lattices as Pseudo-BCK-algebras and used Pseudo-BCK-algebra theory to investigate integral residuated lattices. Residuated lattices can be considered as a class of partial ordered semigroups. We investigate idempotent residuated lattices from semigroup perspectives and obtain structure theorems and decomposition theorem for two class of idempotent residuated lattices in [5,6,7], which generalize [9, Theorem 20].

In the present paper we will use algebra theory of partial ordered semigroups to investigate E -unitary inverse residuated chains. In algebra theory of semigroups, E -unitary inverse semigroups are of the important kinds which are situated between groups and general semigroups. McAlister in [3] investigated E -unitary inverse semigroups. He obtained a structure theorem for E -unitary inverse semigroups. Saitô studied totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroups in [2]. He described a structure theorem for totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroups. In [1], Gomes, Giraldes and McAlister simplified Saitô's structure theorem for totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroups by using McAlister's structure theorem for E -unitary inverse semigroups. We consider E -unitary inverse residuated chains as a class of totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroups. The following question naturally arises: How can we characterize the structure of E -unitary inverse residuated chains? The purpose of this paper is to solve this question.

We proceed as follows: Section 2 presents some necessary notation and known results. In Section 3, we give some fundamental properties of E -unitary inverse residuated chains. In Section 4, we use the above results to give a solution to the question. We establish a structure theorem for E -unitary inverse residuated chains.

2. Preliminaries

In what follows, we shall use the notion and notation in [1,7]. Other undefined terms can be found in [17,18]. First we recall some of the basic facts about totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroups.

An element a of a semigroup S is called *regular* if there exists x in S such that $axa = a$. A semigroup S is called *regular* if all its elements are regular. A semigroup S is called *inverse* if S is regular and its idempotents commute. For brevity, we use $E(S)$ to denote the set of idempotents of S . An inverse semigroup is called *E -unitary* if for all $e \in E(S)$ and $s \in S$, $es \in E(S)$ implies $s \in E(S)$. An inverse semigroup S is said to be a *partially ordered semigroup*, or to be *partially ordered*, if it admits a compatible partial ordering \leq ; that is, \leq is a partial order on the set S and for each $a, b \in S$, $a \leq b$ implies $xay \leq xby$ for all $x, y \in S^1$. A partially ordered inverse semigroup S is said to be *totally ordered*

or a *totally ordered inverse semigroup* if the imposed partial order is a total order; that is, if a, b are distinct elements of S then either $a < b$ or $b < a$.

A partially ordered set is said to be a *chain* if it is a totally ordered set. A semilattice S is called *tree* if for each $x \in S$, the principal ideal generated by x is a chain.

Suppose now that S is an E -unitary inverse semigroup and let $G = S/\sigma$ be its maximal group homomorphic image. Then S is isomorphic to a P -semigroup $P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$, where $(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ is a *McAlister triple* in the sense that \mathcal{X} is a down directed partially ordered set, \mathcal{Y} is a subsemilattice and order ideal of \mathcal{X} , and G acts, on the left, on \mathcal{X} , by order automorphisms, in such a way that $\mathcal{X} = G\mathcal{Y}$ and for $g \in G$, $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y} \neq \emptyset$. Moreover, \mathcal{Y} is isomorphic to the semilattice of idempotents of S . The elements of $P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ are the pairs $(a, g) \in \mathcal{Y} \times G$ for which $g^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}$, and multiplication is defined by $(a, g)(b, h) = (a + gb, gh)$ where $+$ denotes greatest lower bound (when it exists) in the partially ordered set \mathcal{Y} . We always use $+$ for this operation to avoid confusion with \vee and \wedge when the semigroup in question is a totally ordered semigroup and use \leq^* to denote the partial order on the set \mathcal{X} following our convention of reserving \leq for the imposed partial order. Saitô [20] has shown that in totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroups the semilattice of idempotents must be a totally ordered semilattice and such a semilattice must be a binary tree. That is, it is a semilattice in which each principal ideal is a chain and in which there do not exist distinct incomparable elements a, b, c with $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a$.

We shall write $x \prec y$ ($x \prec^* y$) for the fact that x is covered by y ; i.e., $x < y$ ($x <^* y$) and for every z , if $x \leq z \leq y$ ($x \leq^* z \leq^* y$), then $z = x$ or $z = y$. By Theorem 5.9.2 of [18] and Corollary 2.8 of [1], we have:

Theorem 2.1 ([1]). *Let G be a totally ordered group, \mathcal{X} a tree, and \mathcal{Y} an ideal of \mathcal{X} which is a totally ordered binary tree. Suppose, further, that G acts by order automorphisms on \mathcal{X} in such a way that $\mathcal{X} = G\mathcal{Y}$, for $g \in G$, $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y} \neq \emptyset$ and if $a, b \in \mathcal{Y}$, $g \in G$ with $ga, gb \in \mathcal{Y}$ then $ga \leq gb$ if and only if $a \leq b$. Then, under the lexicographic ordering,*

$$(a, g) \leq (b, h) \text{ if and only if } g < h \text{ or } g = h \text{ and } a \leq b$$

$P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ is a totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroup. Conversely, any totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroup is isomorphic to one of this form.

By a *lattice-ordered monoid*, we mean an ordered monoid (M, \circ, \leq) in which the ordered set (M, \leq) is still a lattice. Moreover, a lattice-ordered monoid is called *idempotent* if the monoid (M, \circ) is a band. For the detail information on ordered semigroups, the reader is referred to references [16] and [18].

For our purpose, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.2 ([4]). *Let (M, \circ, \leq) be a lattice-ordered idempotent monoid with identity e , and $a, b \in M$:*

- (1) $a \wedge b \leq ab \leq a \vee b$.
- (2) If $a, b \geq e$, then $ab = a \vee b$.
- (3) If $a, b \leq e$, then $ab = a \wedge b$.
- (4) If $a \leq e \leq ab$, then $ab = b$.
- (5) If $ab \leq e \leq a$, then $ab = b$.

3. Fundamental properties

In this section, we will give some fundamental properties of E -unitary inverse residuated chains. We assume $\mathfrak{L} = P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ is an E -unitary inverse residuated chain and $(e, 1)$ is an identity of \mathfrak{L} . By the proof of [17, Theorem 5.9.2], e is an identity of \mathcal{Y} and 1 is an identity of G . Since \mathfrak{L} is a totally ordered E -unitary inverse semigroup, by Theorem 2.1, \mathcal{Y} is a binary tree and so \mathcal{Y} is a chain with greatest element e with respect to \leq^* by noting that e is an identity of \mathcal{Y} . We define $\mathcal{Y}^- = \{a \in \mathcal{Y} \mid a \leq e\}$, $\widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \{a \in \mathcal{Y} \mid (\exists b \in \mathcal{Y}^-) b \leq^* a\}$ and $A(\mathfrak{L}) = \{(a, 1) \in \mathfrak{L} \mid a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}\}$. We always denote by \top the maximum element of \mathcal{Y} with respect to the imposed ordering \leq if it exists. We have the following results:

Proposition 3.1 ([8]). *Let $\mathfrak{L} = P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ be an E -unitary inverse residuated chain. Then the following properties hold:*

- (1) $A(\mathfrak{L})$ is a subalgebra of \mathfrak{L} ;
- (2) If $\mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset$, then for every $g \in G$, there exists $\bar{g} \in G$ such that $\bar{g} \prec g$ and \top exists; moreover, in this case, $\top \leq^* a$ for all $a \in \mathcal{Y}$, $g\top = \top$ for all $g \in G$ and h is central in G where $h = \bar{1} \prec 1$;
- (3) If $a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ such that $a > e$, then there exists a unique element $b \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $b <^* a, b < e$ and if $c \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $b <^* c <^* a$, then $c > e$;
- (4) If $b \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $b < e$, then there exists a unique element $a \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $b <^* a, a \geq e$ and if $c \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $b <^* c <^* a$, then $c < e$;
- (5) If $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $a > b$, $(c, k) = (a, g) \setminus (b, h)$, then $c = \top$ and $k \prec g^{-1}h$;
- (6) If $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ or $a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $a \leq b$, $(c, k) = (a, g) \setminus (b, h)$, then $k = g^{-1}h$;
- (7) If $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $hg^{-1}a > b$ or $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$, $gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \emptyset$, $(d, l) = (b, h) / (a, g)$, then $d = \top$ and $l \prec hg^{-1}$;
- (8) If $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$ satisfying one of the following conditions:
 - (a) $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$, $gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset$;
 - (b) $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $gh^{-1}b \in \mathcal{Y}$;
 - (c) $hg^{-1}a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$;
 - (d) $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $hg^{-1}a \leq b$; and $(d, l) = (b, h) / (a, g)$, then $l = hg^{-1}$.

Let \mathfrak{L} be an inverse semigroup. The natural ordering \leq_n on \mathfrak{L} is given by for all $a, b \in \mathfrak{L}$, $a \leq_n b$ if and only if there exists $e \in E(\mathfrak{L})$ such that $a = eb$. Let

σ be the minimum group congruence on \mathfrak{L} . \mathfrak{L} is called *F-inverse semigroup* if every σ -class contains a greatest element for \leq_n . By Exercise 5.11.36 of [18], an *F-inverse semigroup* contains an identity element and is *E-unitary*.

Proposition 3.2. *Let \mathfrak{L} be a totally ordered inverse monoid. Then \mathfrak{L} is an E-unitary semigroup if and only if \mathfrak{L} is an F-inverse semigroup.*

Proof. We need only to verify the sufficiency because the necessity is obvious. Now assume $\mathfrak{L} = P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ is a totally ordered *E-unitary semigroup* with an identity. Then by Theorem 2.1, \mathcal{Y} is a principal ideal of \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{X} is a tree, hence by Exercise 5.38 of [18], \mathfrak{L} is an *F-inverse semigroup*. \square

Proposition 3.3. *Let $\mathfrak{L} = P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ be a totally ordered E-unitary semigroup with an identity $(e, 1)$.*

- (1) *For all $g \in G$, $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y} .*
- (2) *If \mathfrak{L} is a residuated lattice and $g \in G$, $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^- \neq \emptyset$, then $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y}^- .*

Proof. (1) Since \mathcal{X} is a tree and \mathcal{Y} is a principal ideal of \mathfrak{L} , $e + g^{-1}e, ge + e \in \mathcal{Y}$. Then $ge + e = g(e + g^{-1}e) \in g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}$. Let $b \in g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}$. Then there exists $c \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $b = gc \in \mathcal{Y}$. Since $c \leq^* e$, $b = gc \leq^* ge$. Hence $b \leq^* ge + e$. Let $d \leq^* e + ge$. Since $e + g^{-1}e \in \mathcal{Y}$, $g^{-1}d \in \mathcal{Y}$. Then $d = g(g^{-1}d) \in g\mathcal{Y}$ and so $d \in g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}$. Thus $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y} .

(2) Suppose that \mathfrak{L} is a residuated lattice and $g \in G$, $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^- \neq \emptyset$. If $e + ge \leq e$, then by (1), $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y} with the greatest element $e + ge$ with respect to \leq^* , hence $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y}^- . If $e + ge > e$, we can claim that $e + ge \in \mathcal{Y}$. Otherwise, if $e + ge \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \mathcal{Y}$, then for $b \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $b <^* e + ge, b > e$, which implies $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^- = \emptyset$, contrary to the hypothesis. Consequently, $e + ge \in \mathcal{Y}$. By Proposition 3.1 (3), there exists a unique element $b \in \mathcal{Y}^-$ such that b is the maximum element in $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ for \leq^* . This means that $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y}^- . \square

4. Construction

In this section, we will show how to construct *E-unitary inverse residuated chains* from some given specific ingredients.

Let $(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ be a McAlister triple such that G is a totally ordered group, \mathcal{X} is a tree and \mathcal{Y} is a principal ideal of \mathcal{X} which is a totally ordered semilattice with an identity e . put $\mathfrak{L} = \{(a, g) \in \mathcal{Y} \times G \mid g^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}\}$. Let $\mathcal{Y}^- = \{a \in \mathcal{Y} \mid a \leq e\}$, $\widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \{a \in \mathcal{Y} \mid (\exists b \in \mathcal{Y}^-) b \leq^* a\}$ and $\widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}^+ = \{a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \mid a \geq e\}$. Given two mappings

$$\varphi : \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}^+ \setminus \{e\} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}^-; \quad a \mapsto \varphi(a)$$

and

$$\psi : \mathcal{Y}^- \setminus \{e\} \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}^+; \quad a \mapsto \psi(a).$$

We call $(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ an *EIRC-system* if the following conditions hold:

(E1) If $\mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset$, then the greatest element \top of \mathcal{Y} exists with respect to \leq and for every $g \in G$, there exists $\bar{g} \in G$ such that $\bar{g} \prec g$.

(E2) For every $a \in \text{Dom}\varphi$, $\varphi(a) <^* a$.

(E3) For every $a \in \text{Dom}\psi$, $a <^* \psi(a)$.

(E4) If $a \in \text{Dom}\varphi, b \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $\varphi(a) <^* b <^* a$, then $b > e$.

(E5) If $a \in \text{Dom}\psi, b \in \mathcal{Y}$ such that $a <^* b <^* \psi(a)$, then $b < e$.

(E6) If $a, b \in \mathcal{Y}, g \in G$ with $ga, gb \in \mathcal{Y}$, then $ga \leq gb$ if and only if $a \leq b$.

(E7) If $g \in G$ such that $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y} \neq \emptyset$, then $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y}^- .

Give an *EIRC*-system $(\mathcal{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$. We define a multiplication on \mathcal{L} by the rule that

$$(a, g) \circ (b, h) = (a + gb, gh).$$

By the proof of Theorem 5.9.2 of [18], we have the following result:

Lemma 4.1. *If $(\mathcal{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ is an *EIRC*-system, then (\mathcal{L}, \circ) is an *E-unitary inverse semigroup* with an identity $(e, 1)$.*

We define the lexicographic ordering on \mathcal{L} by

$$(a, g) \leq (b, h) \text{ if and only if } g < h \text{ or } g = h \text{ and } a \leq b.$$

By Theorem 2.1, we have the following lemma:

Lemma 4.2. *If $(\mathcal{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ is an *EIRC*-system, then $(\mathcal{L}, \circ, \leq)$ is a totally ordered *E-unitary inverse semigroup*.*

Give an *EIRC*-system $(\mathcal{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$. Let $g \in G$. We always denote \bar{g} the element k of G satisfying $k \prec g$, if it exists. If $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^- \neq \emptyset$, then by (E7), $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y}^- ; in this case, we denote the largest element of $g\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ for \leq^* by t_g . We define two division operations $/$ and \backslash on \mathcal{L} as follows: for $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathcal{L}$,

$$(4.1) \quad (b, h)/(a, g) = \begin{cases} (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1}) & \text{if } h^{-1}ga \notin \mathcal{Y}, g^{-1}hb \notin \mathcal{Y}, hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset \\ & \text{or } hg^{-1}a \leq^* b, hg^{-1}a < e, gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \notin \mathcal{Y}; \\ (b, hg^{-1}) & \text{if } h^{-1}ga \notin \mathcal{Y}, g^{-1}hb \in \mathcal{Y} \\ & \text{or } b <^* h^{-1}ga \in \mathcal{Y} \\ & \text{or } hg^{-1}a = b \geq e; \\ (\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1}) & \text{if } hg^{-1}a \leq^* b, hg^{-1}a < e, gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \in \mathcal{Y}; \\ (\varphi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1}) & \text{if } hg^{-1}a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}, hg^{-1}a <^* b, hg^{-1}a > e; \\ (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}) & \text{if } hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}, hg^{-1}a <^* b \\ & \text{or } h^{-1}ga \notin \mathcal{Y}, g^{-1}hb \notin \mathcal{Y}, hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

$$(4.2) \quad (a, g) \setminus (b, h) = \begin{cases} (t_{g^{-1}h}, g^{-1}h) & \text{if } a \leq^* b, a \leq e, g^{-1}a < e, h^{-1}g\psi(g^{-1}a) \notin \mathcal{Y}; \\ & \text{or } a = b, a > e, g^{-1}a < e, h^{-1}g\psi(g^{-1}a) \notin \mathcal{Y}; \\ (\psi(g^{-1}a), g^{-1}h) & \text{if } a \leq^* b, a \leq e, g^{-1}a < e, h^{-1}g\psi(g^{-1}a) \in \mathcal{Y}; \\ & \text{or } a = b, a > e, g^{-1}a < e, h^{-1}g\psi(g^{-1}a) \in \mathcal{Y}; \\ (g^{-1}a, g^{-1}h) & \text{if } a \leq^* b, a \leq e, g^{-1}a \geq e \\ & \text{or } a = b, a > e, g^{-1}a \geq e; \\ (g^{-1}\varphi(a), g^{-1}h) & \text{if } a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}, a <^* b, a > e, \\ (\top, g^{-1}h) & \text{if } a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}, a <^* b; \\ (g^{-1}b, g^{-1}h) & \text{if } b <^* a. \end{cases}$$

We denote by $EIRC(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ the above $(\mathfrak{L}, \wedge, \vee, \circ, \setminus, /, e)$.

Theorem 4.3. *If $(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ is an EIRC-system, then $EIRC(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ is an E-unitary inverse residuated chain.*

Proof. We only need to prove that $(b, h)/(a, g) = \max\{(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L} \mid (c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)\}$ and $(a, g) \setminus (b, h) = \max\{(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L} \mid (a, g)(c, k) \leq (b, h)\}$ for all $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$. To show that $(b, h)/(a, g) = \max\{(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L} \mid (c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)\}$ for all $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$, we need to consider the following cases:

Case 1. $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}, gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset$ or $hg^{-1}a \leq^* b, hg^{-1}a < e$ and $gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \notin \mathcal{Y}$. We need only to check the following subcases:

If $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}, gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset$, then since \mathcal{Y} is a totally ordered semilattice with an identity e , by Proposition 3.3, $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y}^- . Since $t_{hg^{-1}} \in hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$, $gh^{-1}t_{hg^{-1}} \in \mathcal{Y}$, which implies that $(t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1}) \in \mathfrak{L}$. Furthermore, we have $t_{hg^{-1}} <^* b$. Otherwise, if $b \leq^* t_{hg^{-1}}$, then $gh^{-1}b \leq^* gh^{-1}t_{hg^{-1}} \in \mathcal{Y}$ by noting that $t_{hg^{-1}} \in hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}$, so $gh^{-1}b \in \mathcal{Y}$, contrary to $gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$. Thus $t_{hg^{-1}} <^* b$. Similarly, $gh^{-1}t_{hg^{-1}} <^* a$. We can claim that $t_{hg^{-1}} < b$; whereas, if $t_{hg^{-1}} \geq b$, then $b \leq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(3), $t_{hg^{-1}} = t_{hg^{-1}} + b = t_{hg^{-1}} \wedge b = b$, contrary to $t_{hg^{-1}} <^* b$. Consequently, $t_{hg^{-1}} < b$. By equation (1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1}) \circ (a, g) = (t_{hg^{-1}} + hg^{-1}a, h) = (hg^{-1}(gh^{-1}t_{hg^{-1}} + a), h) = (t_{hg^{-1}}, h) \leq (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$. If $kg < h$, then $k < hg^{-1}$, hence $(c, k) \leq (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$. If $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$, then $k = hg^{-1}$, $gh^{-1}c = k^{-1}c \in \mathcal{Y}$ and $c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Furthermore, we have $gh^{-1}c <^* a$. Otherwise, if $a \leq^* gh^{-1}c$, then $hg^{-1}a \leq^* hg^{-1}gh^{-1}c = c \in \mathcal{Y}$, hence $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}$, contrary to $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$. Thus $gh^{-1}c <^* a$, which implies that $c = hg^{-1}gh^{-1}c = hg^{-1}(gh^{-1}c + a) = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Note that $gh^{-1}c = k^{-1}c \in \mathcal{Y}$ and $gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$, by similar arguments as in the proof of $gh^{-1}c <^* a$, we may prove $c <^* b$. Furthermore, $c < e$; whereas, if $c \geq e$, then

$b \geq c \geq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(2), $c = c + b = c \vee b = b$, contrary to $c <^* b$. Consequently, $c < e$. So $c \in hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ and $c \leq^* t_{hg^{-1}}$. Then by Lemma 2.2(3), $c = c + t_{hg^{-1}} = c \wedge t_{hg^{-1}} \leq t_{hg^{-1}}$. Thus $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$.

If $hg^{-1}a \leq^* b$, $hg^{-1}a < e$ and $gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \notin \mathcal{Y}$, then since \mathcal{Y} is a totally ordered semilattice with an identity e , by Proposition 3.3, $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$ is a principal ideal of \mathcal{Y}^- and so $hg^{-1}a \leq^* t_{hg^{-1}}$. Since $t_{hg^{-1}} \in hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$, $gh^{-1}t_{hg^{-1}} \in \mathcal{Y}$, which implies that $(t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1}) \in \mathfrak{L}$. Furthermore, we have $hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Otherwise, if $hg^{-1}a > b$, then $b < hg^{-1}a < e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(3), $hg^{-1}a = hg^{-1}a + b = hg^{-1}a \wedge b = b$, contrary to $hg^{-1}a > b$. We conclude that $hg^{-1}a \leq b$. By equation (4.1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1}) \circ (a, g) = (t_{hg^{-1}} + hg^{-1}a, h) = (hg^{-1}a, h) \leq b$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$. If $kg < h$, then $k < hg^{-1}$, hence $(c, k) \leq (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$. If $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$, then $k = hg^{-1}$. If $c <^* hg^{-1}a$, then $c <^* b$ and $c = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Furthermore, we have $c < e$. Otherwise, if $c \geq e$, then $b \geq c \geq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(2), $c = c + b = c \vee b = b$, contrary to $c <^* b$. Consequently, $c < e$, which, together with $c = hg^{-1}gh^{-1}c = hg^{-1}(k^{-1}c) \in hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$, derives $c \leq^* t_{hg^{-1}}$, so $c = c + t_{hg^{-1}} = c \wedge t_{hg^{-1}} \leq t_{hg^{-1}}$. Thus $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$. If $hg^{-1}a \leq^* c$, then we can claim that $c <^* \psi(hg^{-1})$; whereas, if $\psi(hg^{-1}) \leq^* c$, then $gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \leq^* gh^{-1}c = k^{-1}c \in \mathcal{Y}$, hence $gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \in \mathcal{Y}$, contrary to $gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \notin \mathcal{Y}$. We conclude that $hg^{-1}a \leq^* c <^* \psi(hg^{-1})$. Hence by (E5), $c < e$, which together with $c \in hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y}^-$, derives $c = c + t_{hg^{-1}} = c \wedge t_{hg^{-1}} \leq t_{hg^{-1}}$. This implies that $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (t_{hg^{-1}}, hg^{-1})$.

Case 2. $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $gh^{-1}b \in \mathcal{Y}$ or $b <^* hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}$ or $hg^{-1}a = b \geq e$. We need only to check the following subcases:

If $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $gh^{-1}b \in \mathcal{Y}$, then $(b, hg^{-1}) \in \mathfrak{L}$. We can claim that $gh^{-1}b <^* a$; whereas, if $a \leq^* gh^{-1}b$, then $hg^{-1}a \leq^* b \in \mathcal{Y}$, which implies that $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}$, contrary to $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$. Thus $gh^{-1}b <^* a$. By equation (4.1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (b, hg^{-1})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(b, hg^{-1}) \circ (a, g) = (b + hg^{-1}a, h) = (b, h) \leq (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. If $kg < h$, then $k < hg^{-1}$, hence $(c, k) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. If $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$, then $k = hg^{-1}$. Furthermore, we have $k^{-1}c = gh^{-1}c <^* a$. Otherwise, if $a <^* gh^{-1}c$, then $hg^{-1}a <^* c$, hence $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}$, contrary to $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}$. We conclude that $gh^{-1}c <^* a$. This implies that $c <^* hg^{-1}a$, which derives that $c = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Thereby, $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$.

If $b <^* hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}$, then $gh^{-1}b <^* a$ and so $gh^{-1}b \in \mathcal{Y}$, which implies that $(b, hg^{-1}) \in \mathfrak{L}$. By equation (4.1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (b, hg^{-1})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(b, hg^{-1}) \circ (a, g) = (b + hg^{-1}a, h) = (b, h) \leq (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. If $kg < h$, then $k < hg^{-1}$, hence $(c, k) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. If $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$, then $k = hg^{-1}$. If $c \leq^* hg^{-1}a$, then $c = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$ which implies that $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. If $hg^{-1}a <^* c$, then $hg^{-1}a =$

$c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. We can claim that $b > e$; whereas, if $b \leq e$, then since $hg^{-1}a \leq b$, $hg^{-1}a \leq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(3), $b = hg^{-1}a + b = hg^{-1}a \wedge b = hg^{-1}a$, contrary to $b <^* hg^{-1}a$. Consequently, $b > e$. Furthermore, we have $c < b$. Otherwise, if $c \geq b$, then $c > e$. Since $b <^* hg^{-1}a <^* c$, by Lemma 2.2(2), $b = b + c = b \vee c = c$, contrary to $b <^* c$. We conclude that $c < b$, which implies that $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$.

If $hg^{-1}a = b \geq e$, then $gh^{-1}b = a \in \mathcal{Y}$ and so $(b, hg^{-1}) \in \mathcal{L}$. By equation (4.1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (b, hg^{-1})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(b, hg^{-1}) \circ (a, g) = (b + hg^{-1}a, h) = (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathcal{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. If $kg < h$, then $k < hg^{-1}$, hence $(c, k) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. If $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$, then $k = hg^{-1}$. On one hand, if $c <^* hg^{-1}a$, then $c = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$ and so $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$. On the other hand, if $b = hg^{-1}a <^* c$, then we can claim that $b > c$; whereas, if $b \leq c$, then since $b \geq e$, $c \geq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(2), $b = b + c = b \vee c = c$, contrary to $b <^* c$. We conclude that $b > c$. This means that $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (b, hg^{-1})$.

Case 3. $hg^{-1}a \leq^* b, hg^{-1}a < e$ and $gh^{-1}\psi(hg^{-1}a) \in \mathcal{Y}$. Then $(\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1}) \in \mathcal{L}$ and by (E3), $hg^{-1}a <^* \psi(hg^{-1}a)$. Furthermore, we have $hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Otherwise, if $hg^{-1}a > b$, then $b < e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(3), $hg^{-1}a = hg^{-1}a + b = hg^{-1}a \wedge b = b$, contrary to $hg^{-1}a > b$. Consequently, $hg^{-1}a \leq b$. By equation (4.1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1}) \circ (a, g) = (\psi(hg^{-1}a) + hg^{-1}a, h) = (hg^{-1}a, h) \leq (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathcal{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$. We need only to check the following subcases:

If $kg < h$, then $k < hg^{-1}$, hence $(c, k) \leq (\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$.

If $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$, then $k = hg^{-1}$. If $c <^* hg^{-1}a$, then $c = c + hg^{-1}a = c + ka \leq b$. Furthermore, we have $c < e$. Otherwise, if $c \geq e$, then $b \geq c \geq e$. Since $c <^* hg^{-1}a \leq^* b$, by Lemma 2.2(2), $c = c + b = c \vee b = b$, contrary to $c <^* b$. Thus $c < e$. Since by the definition of ψ , $\psi(hg^{-1}a) \geq e$, $c < \psi(hg^{-1}a)$. Hence $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$. If $hg^{-1}a \leq^* c <^* \psi(hg^{-1}a)$, then by (E5), $c < e$ and so $c < \psi(hg^{-1}a)$. Hence $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$. If $\psi(hg^{-1}a) <^* c$, then we can claim that $c < \psi(hg^{-1}a)$; whereas, if $c \geq \psi(hg^{-1}a)$, then since $\psi(hg^{-1}a) \geq e$, $c \geq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(2), $\psi(hg^{-1}a) = \psi(hg^{-1}a) + c = \psi(hg^{-1}a) \vee c = c$, contrary to $\psi(hg^{-1}a) <^* c$. Consequently, $c < \psi(hg^{-1}a)$. This implies that $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (\psi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$.

Case 4. $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y}, hg^{-1}a <^* b$ and $hg^{-1}a > e$. Then by (E2), $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) <^* hg^{-1}a <^* b$, hence $gh^{-1}\varphi(hg^{-1}a) <^* a$, so $gh^{-1}\varphi(hg^{-1}a) \in \mathcal{Y}$, which implies that $(\varphi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1}) \in \mathcal{L}$. Furthermore, we have $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) < b$. Otherwise, if $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) \geq b$, then since by the definition of φ , $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) < e$, $b \leq \varphi(hg^{-1}a) < e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(3), $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) = \varphi(hg^{-1}a) + b = \varphi(hg^{-1}a) \wedge b = b$, contrary to $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) <^* b$. Thus $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) < b$. By equation (1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (\varphi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(\varphi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1}) \circ (a, g) = (\varphi(hg^{-1}a) + hg^{-1}a, h) = (\varphi(hg^{-1}a), h) \leq (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathcal{L}$ such

that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (\varphi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$. We need only to check the following subcases:

If $kg < h$, then $k < hg^{-1}$, hence $(c, k) \leq (\varphi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$.

If $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$, then $k = hg^{-1}$. We can claim that $hg^{-1}a >^* c$; whereas, if $hg^{-1}a \leq^* c$, then $hg^{-1}a = c + hg^{-1}a = c + ka \leq b$, which, together with $hg^{-1}a <^* b$ and $b > e$ by noting that $hg^{-1}a > e$, derives $hg^{-1}a = b + hg^{-1}a = b \vee hg^{-1}a = b$ by Lemma 2.2(2), contrary to $hg^{-1}a <^* b$. We conclude that $hg^{-1}a >^* c$. Furthermore, we have $c \leq^* \varphi(hg^{-1}a)$. Otherwise, if $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) <^* c <^* hg^{-1}a$, then by (E4), $c > e$ and $c = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$, hence $b > e$, which, together with $c <^* hg^{-1}a <^* b$, derives $c = c + b = c \vee b = b$ by Lemma 2.2(2), contrary to $c <^* b$. Consequently, $c \leq^* \varphi(hg^{-1}a)$. It follows that $c \leq^* \varphi(hg^{-1}a) <^* hg^{-1}a <^* b$ and so $c = c + hg^{-1}a = c + ka \leq b$. We can prove that $c < e$. Assume to the contrary that $c \geq e$. Then $b \geq c \geq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(2), $c = c + b = c \vee b = b$, contrary to $c <^* b$. Now, we conclude that $c < e$. Since $\varphi(hg^{-1}a) < e$, by Lemma 2.2(3), $c = c + \varphi(hg^{-1}a) = c \wedge \varphi(hg^{-1}a) \leq \varphi(hg^{-1}a)$, which implies that $(c, k) = (c, hg^{-1}) \leq (\varphi(hg^{-1}a), hg^{-1})$.

Case 5. $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $hg^{-1}a <^* b$ or $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}, gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \emptyset$. We need only to check the following subcases:

If $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $hg^{-1}a <^* b$, then by (E1), \top and $\overline{hg^{-1}}$ exist. By the proof of Case 5 of $(b, h)/(a, g) = \max\{(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L} \mid (c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)\}$ for all $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$, we have $g\top = \top$ for all $g \in G$ and $\top \leq^* d$ for all $d \in \mathcal{Y}$, hence $(\overline{hg^{-1}})^{-1}\top = \top \in \mathcal{Y}$, which implies that $(\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}) \in \mathfrak{L}$. Since $\overline{hg^{-1}} \prec hg^{-1}$, $\overline{hg^{-1}}g \prec h$. By equation (4.1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}) \circ (a, g) = (\top + \overline{hg^{-1}}a, hg^{-1}g) = (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}g) \leq (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}g)$. Assume that $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. Then $k = hg^{-1}$ and $c + hg^{-1}a = c + ka \leq b$. If $c \leq^* hg^{-1}a$, then $c <^* b$ and $c = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Since $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$, $c \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$, so $c > e$, which implies that $b > e$. By Lemma 2.2(2), $c = c + b = c \vee b = b$, contrary to $c <^* b$. If $hg^{-1}a <^* c$, then $hg^{-1}a = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Since $hg^{-1}a \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$, $hg^{-1}a > e$ and so $b > e$. Note that $hg^{-1}a <^* b$, by Lemma 2.2(2), $hg^{-1}a = hg^{-1}a + b = hg^{-1}a \vee b = b$, contrary to $hg^{-1}a <^* b$. We conclude that $kg < h$. This implies that $k < hg^{-1}$ and so $(c, k) \leq (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}})$.

If $hg^{-1}a \notin \mathcal{Y}, gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$ and $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \emptyset$, then $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}$. Note that $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{Y} \neq \emptyset$, $\mathcal{Y} \setminus \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset$, which implies that \top and $\overline{hg^{-1}}$ exist by (E1). By the proof of Case 5 of $(b, h)/(a, g) = \max\{(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L} \mid (c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)\}$ for all $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$, we have $g\top = \top$ for all $g \in G$ and $\top \leq^* d$ for all $d \in \mathcal{Y}$, hence $(\overline{hg^{-1}})^{-1}\top = \top \in \mathcal{Y}$, which implies that $(\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}) \in \mathfrak{L}$. Since $\overline{hg^{-1}} \prec hg^{-1}$, $\overline{hg^{-1}}g \prec h$. By equation (4.1), $(b, h)/(a, g) = (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}})$ and by the definition of \circ , $(\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}) \circ (a, g) = (\top + \overline{hg^{-1}}a, hg^{-1}g) = (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}g) \leq (b, h)$. Let $(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L}$ such that $(c, k)(a, g) \leq (b, h)$. Then $kg < h$ or $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. We shall prove that $(c, k) \leq (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}}g)$. Assume that $kg = h$ and $c + ka \leq b$. Then $k = hg^{-1}$ and $c + hg^{-1}a = c + ka \leq b$. We can claim that $c <^* b$; whereas,

if $b \leq^* c$, then $gh^{-1}b \leq^* gh^{-1}c$, which together with $gh^{-1}c = k^{-1}c \in \mathcal{Y}$, derives $gh^{-1}b \in \mathcal{Y}$, contrary to $gh^{-1}b \notin \mathcal{Y}$. Consequently, $c <^* b$. Similarly, $k^{-1}c = gh^{-1}c <^* a$, which implies that $c = hg^{-1}(gh^{-1}c + a) = c + hg^{-1}a \leq b$. Furthermore, we have $c < e$. Otherwise, if $c \geq e$, then $b \geq c \geq e$, hence by Lemma 2.2(2), $c = c + b = c \vee b = b$, contrary to $c <^* b$. Thus $c < e$. This means that $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} \neq \emptyset$, contrary to $hg^{-1}\mathcal{Y} \cap \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \emptyset$. We conclude that $kg < h$. This implies that $k < hg^{-1}$ and so $(c, k) \leq (\top, \overline{hg^{-1}})$.

Similarly, $(a, g)/(b, h) = \max\{(c, k) \in \mathfrak{L} \mid (a, g)(c, k) \leq (b, h)\}$ for all $(a, g), (b, h) \in \mathfrak{L}$. □

We will prove that any E -unitary inverse residuated chain is isomorphic to some $EIRC(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$. In what follows, let $\mathfrak{L} = P(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ be an E -unitary inverse residuated chain. By Proposition 3.1(3) and (4), we can define two mappings φ and ϕ as follows:

$$\varphi : \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}^+ \setminus \{e\} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}^-; \quad a \mapsto \max\{b \in \mathcal{Y}^- \mid b <^* a\} \text{ for } \leq^*$$

and

$$\phi : \mathcal{Y}^- \setminus \{e\} \rightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}^+; \quad b \mapsto \min\{a \in \widetilde{\mathcal{Y}}^+ \mid b <^* a\} \text{ for } \leq^* .$$

Lemma 4.4. $(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ is an $EIRC$ -system.

Proof. By Proposition 3.1(2-4), conditions (E1 – 5) hold. By Theorem 2.1, condition (E6) holds. By Proposition 3.3(2), condition (E7) holds. □

Theorem 4.5. \mathfrak{L} is equal to $EIRC(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$.

Proof. It is clear. □

By Theorems 4.3 and 4.5, we have the following theorem:

Theorem 4.6. Let $(G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ be an $EIRC$ -system. Then $EIRC(\mathfrak{L}; G, \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}; \varphi, \psi)$ is an E -unitary inverse residuated chain. Conversely, any E -unitary inverse residuated chain can be constructed in this manner.

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