

# Endomorphisms of semigroups of monotone transformations

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## Abstract

In this paper, we characterize the monoid of endomorphisms of the semigroup of all monotone full transformations of a finite chain, as well as the monoids of endomorphisms of the semigroup of all monotone partial transformations and of the semigroup of all monotone partial permutations of a finite chain.

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## Introduction

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\Omega_n$  be a finite set with  $n$  elements. Denote by  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  the monoid (under composition) of all partial transformations of  $\Omega_n$ . The submonoid of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  of all full transformations of  $\Omega_n$  and the (inverse) submonoid of all partial permutations (i.e. partial injective transformations) of  $\Omega_n$  are denoted by  $\mathcal{T}_n$  and  $\mathcal{I}_n$ , respectively. Also, denote by  $\mathcal{S}_n$  the symmetric group on  $\Omega_n$ , i.e. the subgroup of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  of all permutations of  $\Omega_n$ .

Now, suppose that  $\Omega_n$  is a finite chain with  $n$  elements, e.g.  $\Omega_n = \{1 < 2 < \dots < n\}$ . We say that a transformation  $s$  in  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  is *order-preserving* [*order-reversing*] if  $x \leq y$  implies  $xs \leq ys$  [ $xs \geq ys$ ], for all  $x, y \in \text{Dom}(s)$ . A transformation that is either order-preserving or order-reversing is also called *monotone*. Observe that the product of two order-preserving transformations or of two order-reversing transformations is order-preserving and the product of an order-preserving transformation by an order-reversing transformation is order-reversing. Moreover, the product of two monotone transformations is monotone.

Denote by  $\mathcal{PO}_n$  the submonoid of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  of all partial order-preserving transformations of  $\Omega_n$ . As usual,  $\mathcal{O}_n$  denotes the monoid  $\mathcal{PO}_n \cap \mathcal{T}_n$  of all full transformations of  $\Omega_n$  that preserve the order. This monoid has been largely studied, namely in [1, 24, 26, 30]. The injective counterpart of  $\mathcal{O}_n$  is the inverse monoid  $\mathcal{POI}_n = \mathcal{PO}_n \cap \mathcal{I}_n$ , which is considered, for example, in [4, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14].

Wider classes of monoids are obtained when we take monotone transformations. In this way, we get  $\mathcal{POD}_n$ , the submonoid of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  of all partial monotone transformations. Naturally, we may also consider  $\mathcal{OD}_n = \mathcal{POD}_n \cap \mathcal{T}_n$  and  $\mathcal{ODI}_n = \mathcal{POD}_n \cap \mathcal{I}_n$ , the monoids of all monotone full transformations and of all monotone partial permutations, respectively. These monoids were studied, for instance, in [3, 5, 7, 8, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25].

The Hasse diagram in Figure 1, with respect to the inclusion relation and where  $\mathbf{1}$  denotes the trivial monoid, clarifies the relationship between these various semigroups.

Describing automorphisms and endomorphisms of transformation semigroups is a classical problem. For instance, they have been determined by Schein and Teclezghi [33, 34] for  $\mathcal{I}_n$  in 1997 and for  $\mathcal{T}_n$  in 1998, and for the Brauer-type semigroups by Mazorchuk [32] in 2002. Regarding semigroups of order-preserving transformations, in 1962 Aizenštat [1] gave a presentation for  $\mathcal{O}_n$  from which it can be deduced that  $\mathcal{O}_n$  has only one non-trivial automorphism, for  $n \geq 2$ . More recently, in 2010 Fernandes et al. [20] found a description of the endomorphisms of  $\mathcal{O}_n$  and in 2019 Fernandes and Santos [23] determined the endomorphisms of  $\mathcal{POI}_n$  and of  $\mathcal{PO}_n$ . Descriptions of automorphisms of semigroups of order-preserving transformations and of some of their

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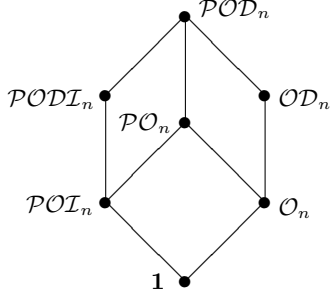


Figure 1: Hasse diagram with respect to the inclusion relation

extensions, such as semigroups of monotone transformations or semigroups of orientation-preserving/reversing transformations, can be found in [3].

In this paper, we give descriptions of the monoids of endomorphisms of the remain semigroups of the above diagram, namely of  $OD_n$ ,  $PODI_n$  and  $POD_n$ , for  $n \geq 2$ . Moreover, we also determine the number of endomorphisms of each of these semigroups.

## 1 Preliminaries

Let  $S$  be a semigroup. For completion, we recall the definition of the Green equivalence relations  $\mathcal{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{J}$ : for all  $u, v \in S$ ,

$$u\mathcal{R}v \text{ if and only if } uS^1 = vS^1,$$

$$u\mathcal{L}v \text{ if and only if } S^1u = S^1v,$$

$$u\mathcal{H}v \text{ if and only if } u\mathcal{L}v \text{ and } u\mathcal{R}v,$$

$$u\mathcal{J}v \text{ if and only if } S^1uS^1 = S^1vS^1$$

(as usual,  $S^1$  denotes  $S$  with identity adjoined *if necessary*). Associated to the Green relation  $\mathcal{J}$  there is a quasi-order  $\leq_{\mathcal{J}}$  on  $S$  defined by

$$u \leq_{\mathcal{J}} v \text{ if and only if } S^1uS^1 \subseteq S^1vS^1,$$

for all  $u, v \in S$ . Notice that, for every  $u, v \in S$ , we have  $u\mathcal{J}v$  if and only if  $u \leq_{\mathcal{J}} v$  and  $v \leq_{\mathcal{J}} u$ . Denote by  $J_u$  the  $\mathcal{J}$ -class of the element  $u \in S$ . As usual, a partial order relation  $\leq_{\mathcal{J}}$  is defined on the set  $S/\mathcal{J}$  by setting  $J_u \leq_{\mathcal{J}} J_v$  if and only if  $u \leq_{\mathcal{J}} v$ , for all  $u, v \in S$ . For  $u, v \in S$ , we write  $u <_{\mathcal{J}} v$  and also  $J_u <_{\mathcal{J}} J_v$  if and only if  $u \leq_{\mathcal{J}} v$  and  $(u, v) \notin \mathcal{J}$ . Recall that any endomorphism of semigroups preserves Green relations and the quasi-order  $\leq_{\mathcal{J}}$ .

Given a semigroup  $S$ , we denote by  $E(S)$  the set of its idempotents. An *ideal* of  $S$  is a subset  $I$  of  $S$  such that  $S^1IS^1 \subseteq I$ . By convenience, we admit the empty set as an ideal. A *Rees congruence* of  $S$  is a congruence associated to an ideal of  $S$ : if  $I$  is an ideal of  $S$ , the Rees congruence  $\rho_I$  is defined by  $(s, t) \in \rho_I$  if and only if  $s = t$  or  $s, t \in I$ , for all  $s, t \in S$ . The set of congruences of  $S$ , the group of automorphisms of  $S$  and the monoid of endomorphisms of  $S$  are denoted by  $\text{Con}(S)$ ,  $\text{Aut}(S)$  and  $\text{End}(S)$ , respectively.

Let  $S \in \{O_n, POI_n, PO_n, OD_n, PODI_n, POD_n\}$ . We have the following descriptions of the Green relations in the semigroup  $S$ :

$$s\mathcal{L}t \text{ if and only if } \text{Im}(s) = \text{Im}(t),$$

$$s\mathcal{R}t \text{ if and only if } \text{Ker}(s) = \text{Ker}(t),$$

$$s\mathcal{J}t \text{ if and only if } |\text{Im}(s)| = |\text{Im}(t)|, \text{ and}$$

$$s\mathcal{H}t \text{ if and only if } \text{Ker}(s) = \text{Ker}(t) \text{ and } \text{Im}(s) = \text{Im}(t),$$

for all  $s, t \in S$ . If  $S = \mathcal{POI}_n$  or  $\mathcal{PODI}_n$ , for the Green relation  $\mathcal{R}$ , we have, even more simply,

$$s\mathcal{R}t \text{ if and only if } \text{Dom}(s) = \text{Dom}(t),$$

for all  $s, t \in S$ .

Consider the following order-reversing full transformation

$$\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n-1 & n \\ n & n-1 & \cdots & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a permutation of order two).

Recall that  $\mathcal{OD}_n = \langle \mathcal{O}_n, \tau \rangle$ ,  $\mathcal{PODI}_n = \langle \mathcal{POI}_n, \tau \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{POD}_n = \langle \mathcal{PO}_n, \tau \rangle$ .

Next, let  $T \in \{\mathcal{O}_n, \mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$  and  $M = \langle T, \tau \rangle$ . Then both  $T$  and  $M$  are regular monoids (moreover, if  $T = \mathcal{POI}_n$  then  $T$  and  $M$  are inverse monoids) and  $E(M) = E(T)$ .

Remember also that, for the partial order  $\leq_j$ , the quotients  $M/\mathcal{J}$  and  $T/\mathcal{J}$  are chains (with  $n+1$  elements for  $T = \mathcal{POI}_n$  and  $T = \mathcal{PO}_n$  and with  $n$  elements for  $T = \mathcal{O}_n$ ). More precisely, if  $S \in \{T, M\}$ , then

$$S/\mathcal{J} = \{J_0^S <_j J_1^S <_j \cdots <_j J_n^S\}$$

when  $T \in \{\mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$ ; and

$$S/\mathcal{J} = \{J_1^S <_j \cdots <_j J_n^S\}$$

when  $T = \mathcal{O}_n$ . Here

$$J_k^S = \{s \in S \mid |\text{Im}(s)| = k\},$$

with  $k$  suitably defined.

For  $S \in \{T, M\}$  and  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , let  $I_k^S = \{s \in S \mid |\text{Im}(s)| \leq k\}$ . Clearly  $I_k^S$  is an ideal of  $S$ . Since  $S/\mathcal{J}$  is a chain, it follows that

$$\{I_k^S \mid 0 \leq k \leq n\}$$

is the set of all ideals of  $S$  (see [12]).

Observe that  $T$  is an aperiodic monoid and that the  $\mathcal{H}$ -classes of  $M$  contained in  $J_k^M$  have precisely two elements (one of them belonging to  $T$  and the other belonging to  $M \setminus T$ ) when  $k \geq 2$ . If  $k = 1$  then such  $\mathcal{H}$ -classes are trivial.

In [2], Aizēnštat proved that the congruences of  $\mathcal{O}_n$  are exactly the identity and its  $n$  Rees congruences. See [30] for another proof. Also, the congruences of  $\mathcal{POI}_n$  and  $\mathcal{PO}_n$  are exactly their  $n+1$  Rees congruences. This has been shown, for  $\mathcal{POI}_n$ , by Derech [6] and, independently, by Fernandes [12] and, for  $\mathcal{PO}_n$ , by Fernandes et al. [17]. In short,

$$\{\rho_{I_k^T} \mid 0 \leq k \leq n\}$$

is the set  $\text{Con}(T)$  of all congruences of  $T$ .

Concerning the monoid  $M \in \{\mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$ , for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , we can define a congruence  $\pi_k$  on  $M$  by: for all  $s, t \in M$ ,  $s \pi_k t$  if and only if

1.  $s = t$ ; or
2.  $s, t \in I_{k-1}^M$ ; or
3.  $s, t \in J_k^M$  and  $s \mathcal{H} t$

(see [11, Lemma 4.2]). For  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , denote by  $\rho_k^M$  the Rees congruence  $\rho_{I_k^M}$  associated to the ideal  $I_k^M$  of  $M$  and by  $\omega$  the universal congruence of  $M$ . Clearly, for  $n \geq 2$ , we have

$$1 = \pi_1 \subsetneq \rho_1^M \subsetneq \pi_2 \subsetneq \rho_2^M \subsetneq \cdots \subsetneq \pi_n \subsetneq \rho_n^M = \omega.$$

Furthermore, Fernandes et al. [17] proved that, for  $n \geq 2$ , these are precisely all congruences of  $M$ :

$$\text{Con}(M) = \{1 = \pi_1, \rho_1^M, \pi_2, \rho_2^M, \dots, \pi_n, \rho_n^M = \omega\}.$$

Let  $S$  be a semigroup and let  $u$  be a unit of any monoid containing  $S$  such that  $u^{-1}Su \subseteq S$ . Then, it is easy to check that the mapping  $\phi^u : S \rightarrow S$  defined by  $s\phi^u = u^{-1}su$ , for all  $s \in S$ , is an automorphism of  $S$ , which is called an *inner automorphism* of  $S$ . If necessary, in case of ambiguity, we represent  $\phi^u$  by  $\phi_S^u$ .

Let us consider again the permutation  $\tau$  of  $\Omega_n$  (recall that  $\tau \in \mathcal{POD}_n$ ) defined above. Then, for every  $S \in \{\mathcal{O}_n, \mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n, \mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$ , it is easy to verify that  $\tau^{-1}S\tau = S$ . Therefore, for  $n \geq 2$ , the permutation  $\tau$  induces a non-trivial automorphism  $\phi^\tau$  of  $S$ .

Now, let  $S$  be a finite monoid and let  $G$  be its group of units. Let  $e$  and  $f$  be two idempotents of  $S$  such that  $ef = fe = f$ . Then, clearly, the mapping  $\phi : S \rightarrow S$  defined by  $G\phi = \{e\}$  and  $(S \setminus G)\phi = \{f\}$  is an endomorphism (of semigroups) of  $S$ . More generally, let  $f$  be an idempotent of  $S$ ,  $H$  a subgroup of  $S$  such that  $fH = \{f\} = Hf$  and  $\varphi : G \rightarrow H$  a homomorphism. Then, it is also clear that the mapping  $\phi : S \rightarrow S$  defined by  $\phi|_G = \varphi$  and  $(S \setminus G)\phi = \{f\}$  is an endomorphism (of semigroups) of  $S$ .

On the other hand, observe that, given a semigroup  $S$ , an endomorphism  $\phi$  of  $S$  and an idempotent-generated subsemigroup  $V$  of  $S$  such that  $E(V) = E(S)$ , as idempotents apply to idempotents, we have  $V\phi \subseteq V$  and so we may consider the restriction  $\phi|_V$  of  $\phi$  to  $V$  as an endomorphism of  $V$ .

Recall that the *rank* of a transformation  $s \in \mathcal{PT}_n$  is the size of its image, i.e.  $|\text{Im}(s)|$ .

Next, we are going to construct a certain family of endomorphisms for each of the semigroups  $\mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n$  and  $\mathcal{POD}_n$ .

For  $k \in \{2, 3, \dots, n\}$ , consider the following two transformations of  $\mathcal{O}_n$  with rank  $n - 1$ :

$$f_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & k-1 & k & k+1 & \cdots & n \\ 1 & \cdots & k-1 & k-1 & k+1 & \cdots & n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad g_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & k-2 & k-1 & k & \cdots & n \\ 1 & \cdots & k-2 & k & k & \cdots & n \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is easy to check that each of the  $n - 1$   $\mathcal{R}$ -classes of transformations of rank  $n - 1$  of  $\mathcal{O}_n$  or  $\mathcal{OD}_n$  (recall that  $E(\mathcal{OD}_n) = E(\mathcal{O}_n)$ ) has exactly two idempotents, namely  $f_k$  and  $g_k$ , for some  $k \in \{2, 3, \dots, n\}$ . See [23, Lemma 2.4]. On the other hand, for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , let

$$e_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & i-1 & i+1 & \cdots & n \\ 1 & \cdots & i-1 & i+1 & \cdots & n \end{pmatrix},$$

which is an idempotent of  $\mathcal{POI}_n$  of rank  $n - 1$ . It is clear that each of the  $n$   $\mathcal{R}$ -classes of transformations of rank  $n - 1$  of  $\mathcal{POI}_n$  or  $\mathcal{PODI}_n$  (recall that  $E(\mathcal{PODI}_n) = E(\mathcal{POI}_n)$ ) has exactly one idempotent, namely  $e_i$ , for some  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Therefore, since  $J_{n-1}^{\mathcal{POD}_n} = J_{n-1}^{\mathcal{OD}_n} \cup J_{n-1}^{\mathcal{PODI}_n}$  (a disjoint union), by the above observations,  $J_{n-1}^{\mathcal{POD}_n}$  contains  $n$   $\mathcal{R}$ -classes exactly with one idempotent and  $n - 1$   $\mathcal{R}$ -classes exactly with two idempotents.

Now, let us define a mapping  $\phi_1 : \mathcal{POD}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{POD}_n$  by:

1.  $1\phi_1 = 1, \tau\phi_1 = \tau$ ;
2. For  $s \in J_{n-1}^{\mathcal{PODI}_n}$ , let  $s\phi_1 = \binom{i}{j}$ , where  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  are the unique indices such that  $e_i \mathcal{R} s \mathcal{L} e_j$ ;
3. For  $s \in J_{n-1}^{\mathcal{OD}_n}$ , let  $s\phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} k-1 & k \\ k_s & k_s \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\{k_s\} = \Omega_n \setminus \text{Im}(s)$  and  $k \in \{2, 3, \dots, n\}$  is the unique index such that  $s \mathcal{R} f_k$  (and  $s \mathcal{R} g_k$ );
4.  $I_{n-2}^{\mathcal{POD}_n} \phi_1 = \{\emptyset\}$ .

Clearly,  $\phi_1$  is a well defined mapping. Moreover, it is a routine matter to show that  $\phi$  is an endomorphism of  $\mathcal{POD}_n$  which admits  $\pi_{n-1}$  as kernel. Furthermore, it is clear that, for every  $S \in \{\mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n\}$ , we have  $S\phi_1 \subseteq S$  and so the restriction  $\phi_1|_S$  of  $\phi_1$  to  $S$  may also be seen as an endomorphism of  $S$ .

Next, recall that a subsemigroup  $S$  of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  is said to be  $\mathcal{S}_n$ -normal if  $\sigma^{-1}S\sigma \subseteq S$ , for all  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n$ . In 1975, Sullivan [35, Theorem 2] proved that  $\text{Aut}(S) \simeq \mathcal{S}_n$ , for any  $\mathcal{S}_n$ -normal subsemigroup  $S$  of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  containing a constant mapping. Moreover, we obtain an isomorphism  $\Phi : \mathcal{S}_n \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(S)$  by defining  $\sigma\Phi = \phi_S^\sigma$ , where  $\phi_S^\sigma$  is the inner automorphism of  $S$  associated to  $\sigma$ , for all  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n$ .

Let  $S \in \{\mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$ .

Let  $I_1^1 = I_1^S \cup \{1\}$ . It is clear that  $I_1^1$  is an  $\mathcal{S}_n$ -normal subsemigroup of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  containing a constant mapping. Therefore, by Sullivan's Theorem, we have

$$\text{Aut}(I_1^1) = \{\phi_{I_1^1}^\sigma \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n\} \simeq \mathcal{S}_n.$$

Now, let  $I_1^\tau = I_1^S \cup \{1, \tau\}$ . Then  $I_1^\tau$  is a subsemigroup of  $\mathcal{PT}_n$  admitting  $\{1, \tau\}$  as group of units. Therefore, for any automorphism  $\phi$  of  $I_1^\tau$ , we must have  $\tau\phi = \tau$ , whence  $I_1^1\phi = I_1^1$  and so the restriction  $\phi|_{I_1^1}$  of  $\phi$  to  $I_1^1$ , as a mapping from  $I_1^1$  to  $I_1^1$ , is an automorphism of  $I_1^1$ . Hence  $\phi|_{I_1^1} = \phi_{I_1^1}^\sigma$ , for some  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n$ . Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Then

$$\binom{(n-i+1)\sigma}{j\sigma} = \sigma^{-1}\tau \binom{i}{j} \sigma = \left(\tau \binom{i}{j}\right) \phi = \tau \phi \binom{i}{j} \phi = \tau \sigma^{-1} \binom{i}{j} \sigma = \binom{n-i\sigma+1}{j\sigma},$$

whence  $(n-i+1)\sigma = n-i\sigma+1$ , i.e.  $i\tau\sigma = i\sigma\tau$ . So

$$\sigma \in \text{C}_{\mathcal{S}_n}(\tau) = \{\xi \in \mathcal{S}_n \mid \xi\tau = \tau\xi\},$$

the centralizer of  $\tau$  in  $\mathcal{S}_n$ . Notice that,  $\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma = \tau$  (and so  $\sigma^{-1}I_1^\tau\sigma = I_1^\tau$ ), whence  $\phi$  is the inner automorphism of  $I_1^\tau$  associated to  $\sigma$ . On the other hand, given  $\sigma \in \text{C}_{\mathcal{S}_n}(\tau)$ , we clearly have  $\sigma^{-1}I_1^\tau\sigma = I_1^\tau$  and so we obtain an inner automorphism  $\phi_{I_1^\tau}^\sigma$  of  $I_1^\tau$ . Moreover, it is easy to conclude now that the mapping  $\Phi : \text{C}_{\mathcal{S}_n}(\tau) \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(I_1^\tau)$  defined by  $\sigma\Phi = \phi_{I_1^\tau}^\sigma$ , for all  $\sigma \in \text{C}_{\mathcal{S}_n}(\tau)$ , is an isomorphism. Since  $\tau$  has  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$  non-trivial cycles each of which with length 2, we have

$$|\text{Aut}(I_1^\tau)| = |\text{C}_{\mathcal{S}_n}(\tau)| = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! 2^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$$

(see [31, Proposition 23 (page 133)]).

For  $S \in \{\mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$ , let  $\phi_\sigma^S = \phi_1|_S \phi_{I_1^1}^\sigma$ , considered as a mapping from  $S$  to  $S$ , for all  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n$ . Clearly,

$$\{\phi_\sigma^S \mid \sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n\}$$

is a set of  $n!$  distinct endomorphisms of  $S$ . On the other hand, for  $S \in \{\mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$ , let  $\phi_\sigma^S = \phi_1|_S \phi_{I_1^\tau}^\sigma$ , considered as a mapping from  $S$  to  $S$ , for all  $\sigma \in \text{C}_{\mathcal{S}_n}(\tau)$ . Clearly,

$$\{\phi_\sigma^S \mid \sigma \in \text{C}_{\mathcal{S}_n}(\tau)\}$$

is a set of  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! 2^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$  distinct endomorphisms of  $S$ .

For general background on semigroups and standard notations, we refer the reader to Howie's book [27].

From now on, we consider  $n \geq 2$ , whenever not explicitly mentioned.

## 2 Endomorphisms of $\mathcal{OD}_n$ , $\mathcal{PODI}_n$ and $\mathcal{POD}_n$

We begin this section by recalling the following results by Fernandes et al. [20] and Fernandes and Santos [23] above mentioned.

**Theorem 2.1** ([20, Theorem 1.1] and [23, Theorem 3.3]). *For  $n \geq 2$ , let  $T \in \{\mathcal{O}_n, \mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$  and  $\phi : T \rightarrow T$  be any mapping. Then  $\phi$  is an endomorphism of the semigroup  $T$  if and only if one of the following properties holds:*

1.  $\phi$  is an automorphism and so  $\phi$  is the identity or  $\phi = \phi^\tau$ ;
2. if  $T \in \{\mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$  and  $\phi = \phi_\sigma^T$ , for some  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n$ ;
3. there exist idempotents  $e, f \in T$  with  $e \neq f$  and  $ef = fe = f$  such that  $1\phi = e$  and  $(T \setminus \{1\})\phi = \{f\}$ ;
4.  $\phi$  is a constant mapping with idempotent value.

And, their corollaries:

**Corollary 2.2** ([20, Theorem 1.2] and [23, Theorems 3.4 and 3.7]). *Let  $n \geq 2$ . Then:*

1. the semigroup  $\mathcal{O}_n$  has  $2 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{n+i}{2i+1} F_{2i+2}$  endomorphisms, where  $F_{2i+2}$  denotes the  $(2i+2)$ th Fibonacci number;
2. the semigroup  $\mathcal{POI}_n$  has  $2 + n! + 3^n$  endomorphisms;
3. the semigroup  $\mathcal{PO}_n$  has

$$3 + n! + (\sqrt{5})^{n-1} \left( \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \right)^n - \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} \right)^n \right) + \sum_{k=1}^n (\sqrt{5})^{k-1} \left( \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \right)^k - \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} \right)^k \right) \sum_{i=k}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{i+k-1}{2k-1}$$

endomorphisms.

Now, let  $T \in \{\mathcal{O}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$  and take  $M = \langle T, \tau \rangle$ . Since  $T$  is an idempotent-generated semigroup (see [1, 24]) and  $E(T) = E(M)$ , then a restriction to  $T$  of any endomorphism of  $M$  may also be considered as an endomorphism of  $T$ . On the other hand, Lemma 2.3 below establishes that this last statement is also true for  $T = \mathcal{POI}_n$  (and  $M = \mathcal{PODI}_n$ ).

Let us consider the following elements of  $\mathcal{POI}_n$ :

$$x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \cdots & n-1 & n \\ 1 & \cdots & n-2 & n-1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad x_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & n-i-1 & n-i & n-i+2 & \cdots & n \\ 1 & \cdots & n-i-1 & n-i+1 & n-i+2 & \cdots & n \end{pmatrix},$$

for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ . Then  $\{1, x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}\}$  is a (semigroup) generating set of  $\mathcal{POI}_n$ . Moreover, these transformations satisfy the following equalities:

1.  $x_i x_0 = x_0 x_{i+1}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n-2$ ;
2.  $x_{i+1} x_i x_{i+1} = x_{i+1} x_i$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n-2$ ;
3.  $x_0 x_1 \cdots x_{n-1} x_0 = x_0$ .

See [12]. Observe that  $x_{i+1} x_i, x_0 x_{i+1} \in J_{n-2}^{\mathcal{POI}_n}$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n-2$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  and  $\phi$  be an endomorphism of  $\mathcal{PODI}_n$ . Then  $\mathcal{POI}_n \phi \subseteq \mathcal{POI}_n$ .*

*Proof.* First, notice that  $1\phi$  is an idempotent and so  $1\phi \in \mathcal{POI}_n$ .

Let  $n = 2$ . Then  $\tau$  is the only non-order-preserving element of  $\mathcal{PODI}_2$ . Suppose that  $\tau = s\phi$ , for some  $s \in \mathcal{POI}_2$ . Hence  $s = \binom{1}{2}$  or  $s = \binom{2}{1}$  (these are the only non-idempotents of  $\mathcal{POI}_2$ ) and so  $\emptyset\phi = (s^2)\phi = (s\phi)^2 = \tau^2 = 1$  and  $\emptyset\phi = (s^3)\phi = (s\phi)^3 = \tau^3 = \tau$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $\mathcal{POI}_2\phi \subseteq \mathcal{POI}_2$ .

Next, let  $n = 3$ . In order to obtain a contradiction, suppose there exists  $i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$  such that  $x_i\phi \notin \mathcal{POI}_3$ . Then  $J_2^{\mathcal{PODI}_3}\phi \subseteq J_m^{\mathcal{PODI}_3}$ , for some  $m \geq 2$ .

If  $\pi_2 \subsetneq \text{Ker}(\phi)$  then  $\rho_2^{\text{PODI}_3} \subseteq \text{Ker}(\phi)$ , whence  $|I_2^{\text{PODI}_3}\phi| = 1$  and so  $x_i\phi$  is an idempotent, which is a contradiction. Hence  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \subseteq \pi_2$  and so  $\phi$  is injective in  $J_2^{\text{POI}_3} \cup \{1, \tau\}$ . Therefore  $m = 2$ ,  $\tau\phi = \tau$  and  $I_1^{\text{PODI}_3}\phi \subseteq I_1^{\text{POI}_3}$ .

Suppose  $i = 0$ . Since  $x_0x_1x_2x_0 = x_0$ , we have  $x_0\phi x_1\phi x_2\phi x_0\phi = x_0\phi \notin \text{POI}_3$ , whence  $x_1\phi x_2\phi \notin \text{POI}_3$  and so  $x_1\phi \in \text{POI}_3$  or  $x_2\phi \in \text{POI}_3$ . Since  $\tau x_0x_1\tau = x_1$  and  $\tau x_2x_0\tau = x_2$ , we have  $\tau(x_0\phi)(x_1\phi)\tau = x_1\phi \in J_2^{\text{PODI}_3}$  and  $\tau(x_2\phi)(x_0\phi)\tau = x_2\phi \in J_2^{\text{PODI}_3}$ . If  $x_1\phi \in \text{POI}_3$  then  $x_1\phi = \tau(x_0\phi)(x_1\phi)\tau \notin \text{POI}_3$ , which is a contradiction. If  $x_2\phi \in \text{POI}_3$  then  $x_2\phi = \tau(x_2\phi)(x_0\phi)\tau \notin \text{POI}_3$ , which is again a contradiction. Thus  $i \neq 0$  and so  $x_0\phi \in \text{POI}_3$ .

Now, from  $x_0\phi x_1\phi x_2\phi x_0\phi = x_0\phi \in J_2^{\text{POI}_3}$ , we may conclude that  $x_1\phi x_2\phi \in \text{POI}_3$  and so, since  $x_1\phi \notin \text{POI}_3$  or  $x_2\phi \notin \text{POI}_3$ , we have  $x_1\phi, x_2\phi \notin \text{POI}_3$ .

Since  $x_1^2$  and  $x_2^2$  are idempotents with rank 1, then  $(x_1\phi)^2$  and  $(x_2\phi)^2$  are also idempotents and their rank must be 1 or 0. On the other hand, we may routinely check that

$$\left\{ x \in J_2^{\text{PODI}_3} \setminus \text{POI}_3 \mid x^2 \text{ is an idempotent of rank 1 or 0} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

whence  $\{x_1\phi, x_2\phi\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  and so  $x_1\phi = (x_2\phi)^{-1} = x_2^{-1}\phi$ . Since  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \subseteq \pi_2$ , it follow that  $x_1\mathcal{H}x_2^{-1}$ , which is a contradiction.

Thus  $x_i\phi \in \text{POI}_3$  for all  $i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$  and so  $\text{POI}_3\phi \subseteq \text{POI}_3$ .

Now, consider  $n \geq 4$ . Let  $\ell, m \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be such that  $J_{n-2}^{\text{PODI}_n}\phi \subseteq J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$  and  $J_{n-1}^{\text{PODI}_n}\phi \subseteq J_m^{\text{PODI}_n}$ . Then  $\ell \leq m$ .

We begin by assuming that  $\ell \geq 2$ .

In order to obtain a contradiction, suppose there exists  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$  such that  $x_i\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ .

Suppose  $i = 0$ . Since  $x_0x_1 \cdots x_{n-1}x_0 = x_0$ , we have  $x_0\phi(x_1\phi \cdots x_{n-1}\phi)x_0\phi = x_0\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$  and so there must be  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  such  $x_j\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ . If  $j = n-1$  then  $x_{n-2}x_0 = x_0x_{n-1}$  implies  $x_{n-2}\phi x_0\phi = x_0\phi x_{n-1}\phi \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$  and so  $x_{n-2}\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ , since  $\ell \geq 2$  and  $x_0\phi, x_{n-1}\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ . On the other hand, we also have  $x_{n-1}x_{n-2}x_{n-1} = x_{n-1}x_{n-2}$ , whence  $x_{n-1}\phi x_{n-2}\phi x_{n-1}\phi = x_{n-1}\phi x_{n-2}\phi \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$ , which is a contradiction, since  $\ell \geq 2$  and  $x_{n-2}\phi, x_{n-1}\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ . Therefore  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-2\}$  and so we have  $x_jx_0 = x_0x_{j+1}$ . Hence  $x_j\phi x_0\phi = x_0\phi x_{j+1}\phi \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$ . Since  $\ell \geq 2$  and  $x_0\phi, x_j\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ , we deduce that also  $x_{j+1}\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ . On the other hand, we also have  $x_{j+1}x_jx_{j+1} = x_{j+1}x_j$ , whence  $x_{j+1}\phi x_j\phi x_{j+1}\phi = x_{j+1}\phi x_j\phi \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$ , which is again a contradiction, since  $\ell \geq 2$  and  $x_j\phi, x_{j+1}\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ . Thus  $i \neq 0$  and so  $x_0\phi \in \text{POI}_n$ .

Let  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  be the smallest index such that  $x_i\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ .

If  $i \geq 2$  then  $x_{i-1}x_0 = x_0x_i$  and so  $x_{i-1}\phi x_0\phi = x_0\phi x_i\phi \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$ , which is a contradiction, since  $\ell \geq 2$ ,  $x_0\phi, x_{i-1}\phi \in \text{POI}_n$  and  $x_i\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ . Hence  $i = 1$ . From  $x_1x_0 = x_0x_2$ , we get  $x_1\phi x_0\phi = x_0\phi x_2\phi \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$  and, as  $x_0\phi \in \text{POI}_n$  and  $x_1\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ , we deduce that  $x_2\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ . On the other hand, we also have  $x_2x_1x_2 = x_2x_1$ , whence  $x_2\phi x_1\phi x_2\phi = x_2\phi x_1\phi \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$ , which is again a contradiction, since  $\ell \geq 2$  and  $x_1\phi, x_2\phi \notin \text{POI}_n$ .

Thus  $x_i\phi \in \text{POI}_n$  for all  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$  and so  $\text{POI}_n\phi \subseteq \text{POI}_n$ .

Now, let  $\ell \leq 1$ .

Suppose that  $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \pi_k$ , with  $k \leq n-2$ , or  $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \rho_k^{\text{PODI}_n}$ , with  $k \leq n-3$ . Then  $\phi$  is injective in  $J_{n-2}^{\text{POI}_n}$  and so  $|E(J_{n-2}^{\text{POI}_n})| \leq |E(J_\ell^{\text{POI}_n})| \leq n$ , which is a contradiction, since  $|E(J_{n-2}^{\text{POI}_n})| = \binom{n}{n-2} > n$ , for  $n \geq 4$ .

Hence  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \in \left\{ \rho_{n-2}^{\text{PODI}_n}, \pi_{n-1}, \rho_{n-1}^{\text{PODI}_n}, \pi_n, \rho_n^{\text{PODI}_n} = \omega \right\}$ . Clearly, if  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \in \left\{ \rho_{n-1}^{\text{PODI}_n}, \pi_n, \rho_n^{\text{PODI}_n} \right\}$  then  $\text{POI}_n\phi \subseteq \text{POI}_n$ . Therefore, let us admit that  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \in \left\{ \rho_{n-2}^{\text{PODI}_n}, \pi_{n-1} \right\}$ . Then  $I_{n-2}^{\text{PODI}_n}\phi = \{f\}$ , for some idempotent  $f \in J_\ell^{\text{PODI}_n}$ , and  $m \geq 1$  (recall that  $J_{n-1}^{\text{PODI}_n}\phi \subseteq J_m^{\text{PODI}_n}$ ), since  $\phi$  is injective in  $J_{n-1}^{\text{POI}_n}$ .

Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  be the  $n$  distinct idempotents of  $J_{n-1}^{\text{PODI}_n}$  considered in Section 1 (i.e.  $e_i$  is the partial identity with domain  $\Omega_n \setminus \{i\}$ , for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ).

Let  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Then  $f = \emptyset\phi = (\emptyset e_i)\phi = \emptyset\phi e_i\phi = f(e_i\phi)$ , whence  $\text{Dom}(f) \subseteq \text{Dom}(e_i\phi)$ . Since  $(\emptyset, e_i) \notin \text{Ker}(\phi)$  then  $f = \emptyset\phi \neq e_i\phi$  and so  $\text{Dom}(f) \subsetneq \text{Dom}(e_i\phi)$ .

On the other hand, for  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ , we have  $e_i e_j \in I_{n-2}^{\text{PODI}_n}$ , whence  $f = (e_i e_j)\phi = e_i\phi e_j\phi$  and so  $\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Dom}(e_i\phi) \cap \text{Dom}(e_j\phi)$ .

Take  $\ell_i \in \text{Dom}(e_i\phi) \setminus \text{Dom}(f)$ , for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . If there exist  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that  $\ell_i = \ell_j$  then  $\ell_i \in (\text{Dom}(e_i\phi) \cap \text{Dom}(e_j\phi)) \setminus \text{Dom}(f) = \emptyset$ , which is a contradiction. Hence,  $\ell_i \neq \ell_j$  for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  and so  $\{\ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_n\} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Now, since  $\ell_i \notin \text{Dom}(f)$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , we conclude that  $\text{Dom}(f) = \emptyset$ , i.e.  $f = \emptyset$ , and  $\text{Dom}(e_i\phi) \cap \text{Dom}(e_j\phi) = \emptyset$  for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ . Moreover, we have  $|\text{Dom}(e_i\phi)| = m \geq 1$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Hence  $|\text{Dom}(e_i\phi)| = 1$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and so  $m = 1$ . Thus  $J_{n-1}^{\text{PODI}_n}\phi \subseteq J_1^{\text{PODI}_n} \subseteq \text{POI}_n$  and so  $\text{POI}_n\phi \subseteq \text{POI}_n$ , as required.  $\square$

We may now deduce from Theorem 2.1 the following descriptions of the endomorphisms of  $\text{OD}_n$ ,  $\text{PODI}_n$  and  $\text{POD}_n$ :

**Theorem 2.4.** *For  $n \geq 2$ , let  $M \in \{\text{OD}_n, \text{PODI}_n, \text{POD}_n\}$  and  $\phi : M \rightarrow M$  be any mapping. Then  $\phi$  is an endomorphism of the semigroup  $M$  if and only if one of the following properties holds:*

1.  $\phi$  is the identity or  $\phi = \phi^\tau$  and so  $\phi$  is an automorphism;
2. if  $M \in \{\text{PODI}_n, \text{POD}_n\}$  and  $\phi = \phi_\sigma^M$ , for some  $\sigma \in \text{CS}_n(\tau)$ ;
3. if  $M \in \{\text{PODI}_n, \text{POD}_n\}$  and there exists a non-idempotent group element  $h$  of  $M$  such that  $\tau\phi = h$ ,  $1\phi = h^2$  and  $(M \setminus \{1, \tau\})\phi = \{\emptyset\}$ ;
4. there exist a non-idempotent group element  $h$  of  $M$  and an idempotent transformation  $f$  of  $M$  with rank 1 such that  $hf = fh = f$ ,  $\tau\phi = h$ ,  $1\phi = h^2$  and  $(M \setminus \{1, \tau\})\phi = \{f\}$ ;
5. there exist idempotents  $e, f \in M$  with  $e \neq f$  and  $ef = fe = f$  such that  $\{1, \tau\}\phi = \{e\}$  and  $(M \setminus \{1, \tau\})\phi = \{f\}$ ;
6.  $\phi$  is a constant mapping with idempotent value.

*Proof.* Obviously, if Property 1, 2 or 6 holds then  $\phi$  is an endomorphism of  $M$ . On the other hand, if Property 3, 4 or 5 holds then, as observed above in a more general context,  $\phi$  is an endomorphism of  $M$ . In fact, this is immediate for Property 5. On the other hand, in the case of Property 3 or 4,  $h^2 \neq h$ ,  $h^2$  is an idempotent and  $h\mathcal{H}h^2$ , whence  $\phi|_{\{1, \tau\}} : \{1, \tau\} \rightarrow \{h^2, h\}$  is an isomorphism of groups. Moreover, for Property 3, we have immediately  $\emptyset\{h^2, h\} = \{\emptyset\} = \{h^2, h\}\emptyset$ . Regarding Property 4, since  $hf = fh = f$ , we clearly have  $f\{h^2, h\} = \{f\} = \{h^2, h\}f$ . Therefore, in all cases,  $\phi$  is an endomorphism of  $M$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\phi : M \rightarrow M$  is an endomorphism. Let  $T \in \{\mathcal{O}_n, \text{POI}_n, \text{PO}_n\}$  be such that  $M = \langle T, \tau \rangle$ . Then, as mentioned above,  $\phi|_T : T \rightarrow T$  is an endomorphism of  $T$ .

We start by supposing that  $\phi|_T$  is an automorphism of  $T$ . Then  $1\phi = 1$  and, since  $1\mathcal{H}\tau$  implies  $1\phi\mathcal{H}\tau\phi$ , it follows that  $\tau\phi = \tau$ . In fact, if  $\tau\phi = 1$  then  $(1, \tau) \in \text{Ker}(\phi)$  and so  $\pi_n \subseteq \text{Ker}(\phi)$ , which contradicts that  $\phi|_T$  is an automorphism of  $T$ , whence  $\tau\phi = \tau$ .

Let  $s$  be any element of  $M \setminus T$ . Then  $s\tau \in T$ . Hence, if  $\phi|_T = \text{id}_T$  then

$$s\phi = (s\tau\tau)\phi = (s\tau)\phi\tau\phi = (s\tau)\tau = s$$

and if  $\phi|_T = \phi_T^\tau$  then

$$s\phi = (s\tau\tau)\phi = (s\tau)\phi\tau\phi = (\tau(s\tau)\tau)\tau = \tau s\tau = (s)\phi_M^\tau.$$

Thus  $\phi = \text{id}_M$  or  $\phi = \phi_M^\tau$ , and so  $\phi$  is an endomorphism verifying Property 1.

Next, suppose that  $T \in \{\text{POI}_n, \text{PO}_n\}$  and  $\phi|_T = \phi_\sigma^T$ , for some  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n$ .

Let  $s \in J_{n-2}^T$ . Then  $s\phi = s\phi_\sigma^T = s\phi_1\phi_{I_1}^\sigma = \emptyset\phi_{I_1}^\sigma = \sigma^{-1}\emptyset\sigma = \emptyset$ . Hence  $J_{n-2}^T\phi = \{\emptyset\}$ . If  $n = 2$  then  $I_{n-2}^M\phi = J_{n-2}^T\phi = \{\emptyset\}$ . On the other hand, if  $n \geq 3$  then  $\phi$  is not injective in  $J_{n-2}^T$ , whence  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \not\subseteq \pi_{n-2}$  and so  $\rho_{n-2}^M \subseteq \text{Ker}(\phi)$ , from which follows again  $I_{n-2}^M\phi = \{\emptyset\}$ .

Now, notice that  $\phi$  is injective in  $J_{n-1}^T$ , whence  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \subsetneq \rho_{n-1}^M$ . If  $n = 2$  then it follows immediately that  $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \pi_1 = \pi_{n-1}$ . So, take  $n \geq 3$  and let  $s \in J_{n-1}^M \setminus J_{n-1}^T$  and  $t \in J_{n-1}^T$  be such that  $s\mathcal{H}t$ . Then  $s\phi\mathcal{H}t\phi$  and so  $s\phi = t\phi$ , since  $t\phi = t\phi_1\phi_{I_1}^\sigma \in J_1^T = J_1^M$ . Hence  $\rho_{n-2}^M \subsetneq \text{Ker}(\phi)$  and so we deduce again that  $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \pi_{n-1}$ .

Then, we have  $\tau\phi \neq 1\phi$  and, since  $1\phi = 1\phi_1\phi_{I_1}^\sigma = \sigma^{-1}1\sigma = 1 = 1\phi = (\tau^2)\phi = (\tau\phi)^2$ , it follows that  $\tau\phi = \tau$ .

Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and take  $s \in J_{n-1}^{\mathcal{POI}n}$  such that  $e_i\mathcal{R}s\mathcal{L}e_j$ . Then  $s\phi_1 = \binom{i}{j}$  and, since  $e_{n-i+1}\mathcal{R}\tau s\mathcal{L}e_j$ , we get  $(\tau s)\phi_1 = \binom{n-i+1}{j}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{(n-i+1)\sigma}{j\sigma} &= \sigma^{-1}\binom{n-i+1}{j}\sigma = \binom{n-i+1}{j}\phi_{I_1}^\sigma = (\tau s)\phi_1\phi_{I_1}^\sigma = (\tau s)\phi = \\ \tau\phi s\phi &= \tau(s\phi_1\phi_{I_1}^\sigma) = \tau\left(\binom{i}{j}\phi_{I_1}^\sigma\right) = \tau\sigma^{-1}\binom{i}{j}\sigma = \binom{n-i\sigma+1}{j\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

and so  $(n-i+1)\sigma = n-i\sigma+1$ , i.e.  $i\tau\sigma = i\sigma\tau$ . Thus  $\sigma \in \text{CS}_n(\tau)$ .

Therefore, we conclude that  $\phi = \phi_\sigma^M$  for some  $\sigma \in \text{CS}_n(\tau)$ , and so  $\phi$  is an endomorphism verifying Property 2.

Now, assume there exist idempotents  $e, f \in T$  with  $e \neq f$  and  $ef = fe = f$  such that  $1\phi = e$  and  $(T \setminus \{1\})\phi = \{f\}$ .

If  $\tau\phi = e$  then, for any  $s \in M \setminus (T \cup \{\tau\})$ , we have  $s = \tau(\tau s)$  and  $\tau s \in T \setminus \{1\}$ , whence  $s\phi = \tau\phi(\tau s)\phi = ef = f$  and so  $\phi$  is an endomorphism verifying Property 5.

On the other hand, admit that  $\tau\phi \neq e$ . Let  $h = \tau\phi$ . Then  $h \neq e$  and  $h^2 = (\tau\phi)^2 = (\tau^2)\phi = 1\phi = e$ , whence  $h$  is a non-idempotent group element of  $M$  and so  $h \notin T$ .

Let  $s$  be a constant transformation of  $M$ . Then  $s, s\tau, \tau s \in T \setminus \{1\}$  and so  $fh = s\phi\tau\phi = (s\tau)\phi = f = (\tau s)\phi = \tau\phi s\phi = hf$ . Since  $f \in T$  and  $h \notin T$ , the equality  $f = fh$  (or  $f = hf$ ) allows us to conclude that  $f$  has rank 1, if  $T = \mathcal{O}_n$ , and that  $f$  has rank 1 or  $f$  is the empty transformation, if  $T \in \{\mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$ .

Now, let  $s \in M \setminus (T \cup \{\tau\})$ . Then  $s = (s\tau)\tau$  and  $s\tau \in T \setminus \{1\}$ , whence  $s\phi = (s\tau)\phi\tau\phi = fh = f$ .

Hence if  $M \in \{\mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$  and  $f = \emptyset$ , then  $\tau\phi = h$ ,  $1\phi = h^2$  and  $(M \setminus \{1, \tau\})\phi = \{\emptyset\}$ , and so  $\phi$  is an endomorphism verifying Property 3. If  $M \in \{\mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$  and  $f$  is an idempotent of rank 1, then  $\tau\phi = h$ ,  $1\phi = h^2$  and  $(M \setminus \{1, \tau\})\phi = \{f\}$ , and so  $\phi$  is an endomorphism verifying Property 4.

Finally, we admit that  $\phi|_T$  is a constant mapping with idempotent value. Let  $s \in T \setminus \{1\}$ . Then  $(1, s) \notin \pi_n$  and  $(1, s) \in \text{Ker}(\phi)$ . Hence  $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \omega$ , i.e.  $\phi$  is also a constant mapping with idempotent value, thus verifying Property 6.  $\square$

As an immediate corollary, we have:

**Corollary 2.5.** *For  $n \geq 2$ , let  $M \in \{\mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$ . Then  $\text{Aut}(M) = \{\text{id}, \phi^\tau\}$ .*

Let  $T \in \{\mathcal{O}_n, \mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$  and take  $M = \langle T, \tau \rangle$ . Notice that, at the time when Theorem 2.1 was proved it was already known that  $\text{Aut}(T) = \{\text{id}, \phi^\tau\}$ , for  $n \geq 2$ . However, for the monoid  $M$ , it was known until now that  $\text{Aut}(M) = \{\text{id}, \phi^\tau\}$  but only for  $n \geq 10$ . See [3, Theorem 5.4].

Now, we will count the number of endomorphisms of  $\mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n$  and  $\mathcal{POD}_n$ .

As above, let  $T \in \{\mathcal{O}_n, \mathcal{POI}_n, \mathcal{PO}_n\}$  and  $M = \langle T, \tau \rangle$ .

We begin by calculating the number of endomorphisms of  $M$  satisfying Property 4 of Theorem 2.4.

Let  $h$  be a non-idempotent group element of  $M$ . Then  $|\text{Im}(h)| \geq 2$  and  $h$  is an order-reversing transformation such that  $h^2$  is an idempotent and  $h\mathcal{H}h^2$ . Note that  $h$  has fixed points if and only if  $|\text{Im}(h)|$  is odd and, in this case, it has exactly one.

On the other hand, we may also conclude that, for  $2 \leq i \leq n$ , the number of non-idempotent group elements of  $M$  belonging to  $J_i^M$  is equal to  $|E(J_i^T)|$ .

Let  $h$  be a fixed non-idempotent group element in  $M$  and let

$$F(h) = \{f \in E(J_1^M) \mid hf = fh = f\}.$$

Then the number of  $f$  in  $M$  satisfying  $hf = fh = f$  and  $f \in E(J_1^M)$  is  $|F(h)|$ , and so the number of endomorphisms of  $M$  satisfying Property 4 of Theorem 2.4 such that  $\tau\phi = h$  is  $|F(h)|$ . Notice that,  $fh = f$  if and only if  $h$  fixes the image of  $f$ . Then, if  $|\text{Im}(h)|$  is even, we know that  $h$  does not have fixed points and so  $|F(h)| = 0$ . If  $M \in \{\mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n\}$  then, for each  $j \in \Omega_n$ , there exists exactly one idempotent  $f$  of  $M$  such that  $\text{Im}(f) = \{j\}$ . Moreover, for  $j \in \Omega_n$ , if  $jh = j$  and  $f$  is the idempotent of  $M$  such that  $\text{Im}(f) = \{j\}$ , then  $hf = f$ . Thus, if  $|\text{Im}(h)|$  is odd and  $M \in \{\mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n\}$ , it is also clear that  $|F(h)| = 1$ .

Now, let  $M = \mathcal{POD}_n$  and suppose that  $|\text{Im}(h)| = i$  is odd. Then  $i \geq 3$ . In the following, we will show that  $|F(h)| = 2^{\frac{i-1}{2}}$ . Put

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & \cdots & A_j & \cdots & A_{\frac{i+1}{2}} & \cdots & A_{i-j+1} & \cdots & A_i \\ a_i & \cdots & a_{i-j+1} & \cdots & a_{\frac{i+1}{2}} & \cdots & a_j & \cdots & a_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_i$  are the kernel classes of  $h$  in order  $\max A_r < \max A_{r+1}$  for  $r \in \{1, \dots, i-1\}$ , and  $j \in \{1, \dots, \frac{i-1}{2}\}$  and  $a_k \in A_k$  for  $k \in \{1, \dots, i\}$ .

Clearly,  $a_{\frac{i+1}{2}}$  is the fixed point of  $h$ . Suppose that  $f \in F(h)$ . Then  $\text{Im}(f) = \{a_{\frac{i+1}{2}}\}$ . Since  $f$  is an idempotent,  $a_{\frac{i+1}{2}} \in \text{Dom}(f)$ . From the equality  $hf = f$ , we deduce that  $\text{Dom}(f) \subseteq \text{Dom}(h)$  and  $x \in \text{Dom}(f)$  if and only if  $xh \in \text{Dom}(f)$ , for all  $x \in \Omega_n$ . Therefore,  $A_{\frac{i+1}{2}} \subseteq \text{Dom}(f)$ .

Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, \frac{i-1}{2}\}$ . Suppose that  $A_j \cap \text{Dom}(f) \neq \emptyset$  and let  $x \in A_j \cap \text{Dom}(f)$ . Then  $a_{i-j+1} = (A_j)h = xh \in \text{Dom}(f)$ , and so  $A_j \subseteq \text{Dom}(f)$ . As  $a_j \in A_j \subseteq \text{Dom}(f)$ , then  $(A_{i-j+1})h = a_j \in \text{Dom}(f)$ , and so  $A_{i-j+1} \subseteq \text{Dom}(f)$ . Hence  $A_j \cup A_{i-j+1} \subseteq \text{Dom}(f)$ . Similarly, we can show that if  $A_{i-j+1} \cap \text{Dom}(f) \neq \emptyset$  then we also have  $A_j \cup A_{i-j+1} \subseteq \text{Dom}(f)$ . Thus, for each pair  $(j, i-j+1)$ , we have  $(A_j \cup A_{i-j+1}) \subseteq \text{Dom}(f)$  or  $(A_j \cup A_{i-j+1}) \cap \text{Dom}(f) = \emptyset$ . As we have  $\frac{i-1}{2}$  of these pairs, it follows that the domain of  $f$  can be chosen in  $2^{\frac{i-1}{2}}$  ways. Thus  $|F(h)| = 2^{\frac{i-1}{2}}$ .

Next, for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , recall that:

1.  $|E(J_i^{\mathcal{O}n})| = \binom{n+i-1}{2i-1}$  (see [29, Corollary 4.4]);
2.  $|E(J_i^{\mathcal{POI}n})| = \binom{n}{i}$ , i.e. the number of partial identities of rank  $i$ ;
3.  $|E(J_i^{\mathcal{PO}n})| = \sum_{k=i}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{k+i-1}{2i-1}$  (see [23, Lemma 3.6]).

Therefore, being

$$\partial_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd and } M \in \{\mathcal{OD}_n, \mathcal{PODI}_n\} \\ 2^{\frac{i-1}{2}} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd and } M = \mathcal{POD}_n, \end{cases}$$

then the number of endomorphisms of  $M$  satisfying Property 4 of Theorem 2.4 is

1.  $\sum_{i=2}^n \binom{n+i-1}{2i-1} \partial_i = \sum_{i=3}^n \binom{n+i-1}{2i-1} \partial_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n+2i}{4i+1}$ , if  $M = \mathcal{OD}_n$ ;
2.  $\sum_{i=2}^n \binom{n}{i} \partial_i = \sum_{i=3}^n \binom{n}{i} \partial_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2i+1}$ , if  $M = \mathcal{PODI}_n$ ;
3.  $\sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{k=i}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{k+i-1}{2i-1} \partial_i = \sum_{i=3}^n \sum_{k=i}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{k+i-1}{2i-1} \partial_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{k=2i+1}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{k+2i}{4i+1} 2^i$ , if  $M = \mathcal{POD}_n$ .

Regarding the number of endomorphisms of  $M \in \{\mathcal{PODI}_n, \mathcal{POD}_n\}$  satisfying Property 3 of Theorem 2.4, clearly, it coincides with the number of non-idempotent group elements of  $M$ , which coincides with the number of idempotents of  $T$  with rank greater than or equal to two. Therefore, the number of endomorphisms of  $M$  satisfying Property 3 of Theorem 2.4 is

1.  $|E(\mathcal{POI}_n)| - |E(J_1^{\mathcal{POI}_n})| - |E(J_0^{\mathcal{POI}_n})| = 2^n - n - 1$ , if  $M = \mathcal{PODI}_n$ ;
2.  $|E(\mathcal{PO}_n)| - |E(J_1^{\mathcal{PO}_n})| - |E(J_0^{\mathcal{PO}_n})| = |E(\mathcal{PO}_n)| - \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{k}{1} - 1 = e_n - n2^{n-1} - 1$ , where  $e_n$  is defined by the recurrence relation  $e_{n+1} = 1 + 5(e_n - e_{n-1})$ , with initial conditions  $e_0 = 1$  and  $e_1 = 2$ , or explicitly by  $e_n = 1 + (\sqrt{5})^{n-1} \left( \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \right)^n - \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} \right)^n \right)$  (see [28]), if  $M = \mathcal{POD}_n$ .

Thus, by applying also Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.4, we obtain:

1.  $|\text{End}(\mathcal{OD}_n)| = |\text{End}(\mathcal{O}_n)| + \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n+2i}{4i+1}$ ;
2.  $|\text{End}(\mathcal{PODI}_n)| = |\text{End}(\mathcal{POI}_n)| - n! + \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! 2^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} + (2^n - n - 1) + \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2i+1}$ ;
3.  $|\text{End}(\mathcal{POD}_n)| = |\text{End}(\mathcal{PO}_n)| - n! + \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! 2^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} + (e_n - n2^{n-1} - 1) + \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{k=2i+1}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{k+2i}{4i+1} 2^i$ .

Finally, in view of Corollary 2.2, we have:

**Corollary 2.6.** *Let  $n \geq 2$ . Then:*

1. *the semigroup  $\mathcal{OD}_n$  has*

$$2 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{n+i}{2i+1} F_{2i+2} + \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n+2i}{4i+1}$$

*endomorphisms, where  $F_{2i+2}$  denotes the  $(2i+2)$ th Fibonacci number;*

2. *the semigroup  $\mathcal{PODI}_n$  has*

$$1 + 2^n + 3^n - n + \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! 2^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} + \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2i+1}$$

*endomorphisms;*

3. *the semigroup  $\mathcal{POD}_n$  has*

$$1 + \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! 2^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} - n2^{n-1} + 2e_n + \sum_{k=1}^n (e_k - 1) \sum_{i=k}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{i+k-1}{2k-1} + \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \sum_{k=2i+1}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{k+2i}{4i+1} 2^i$$

*endomorphisms.*

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