

ON INJECTIVE HULLS OF S -POSETS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we describe injectives in the category of S -posets with S -submultiplicative morphisms and construct injective hulls of S -posets with respect to a specific class \mathcal{E}_{\leq} of monomorphisms.

1. INTRODUCTION

Injectivity is among properties that were studied in the very first articles which appeared in the area of S -posets ([12] and [5]). It is also a topic of several recent papers on S -posets (see, e.g., [3] and [13]). From those articles it turns out that a regularly injective S -poset has to be complete in such a way that suprema are compatible with S -action. One of the aims of this paper is to show that in a suitable framework injectivity is equivalent to that kind of completeness. The second goal is to show how to construct injective hulls of S -posets with respect to a certain class of monomorphisms.

In this work, S is always a *pomonoid*, that is, a monoid S equipped with a partial order \leq such that $ss' \leq tt'$ whenever $s \leq t$, $s' \leq t'$ in S . A poset (A, \leq) together with a mapping $A \times S \rightarrow A$ (under which a pair (a, s) maps to an element of A denoted by as) is called a *right S -poset*, denoted by A_S , if for any $a, b \in A$, $s, t \in S$,

- (1) $a(st) = (as)t$,
- (2) $a1 = a$,
- (3) $a \leq b$, $s \leq t$ imply that $as \leq bt$.

A left S -poset can be defined similarly. *Right S -poset homomorphisms* are order-preserving mappings which also preserve the S -action. We denote the category of right S -posets with S -poset homomorphisms as morphisms by Pos_S . An *S -subposet* of an S -poset A_S is an action-closed subset of A whose partial order is the restriction of the order of A .

Let \mathcal{C} be a category and let \mathcal{M} be a class of morphisms in \mathcal{C} . We recall that an object Q from \mathcal{C} is *\mathcal{M} -injective* in \mathcal{C} provided that for any morphism $h : A \rightarrow B$ in \mathcal{M} and any morphism $f : A \rightarrow Q$ in \mathcal{C} there exists a morphism $g : B \rightarrow Q$ in \mathcal{C} such that $gh = f$.

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A morphism $\eta : A \rightarrow B$ in \mathcal{M} is called \mathcal{M} -essential if every morphism $\psi : B \rightarrow C$ in \mathcal{C} , for which the composite $\psi\eta$ is in \mathcal{M} , is itself in \mathcal{M} . An object $H \in \mathcal{C}$ is called an \mathcal{M} -injective hull of an object $A \in \mathcal{C}$ if H is \mathcal{M} -injective and there exists an \mathcal{M} -essential morphism $A \rightarrow H$ (see [1], Def. 9.22).

Let A_S and B_S be S -posets. We say that a mapping $f : A \rightarrow B$ is S -submultiplicative if $f(a)s \leq f(as)$ for any $a \in A$, $s \in S$. We denote by Pos_S^{\leq} the category where objects are right S -posets and morphisms are S -submultiplicative order-preserving mappings. Clearly every S -poset homomorphism is an S -submultiplicative order-preserving mapping, so Pos_S is a subcategory of Pos_S^{\leq} which is not necessarily full.

Example 1. Consider the pomonoid $S = (\{0,1\}, \cdot, \leq)$ where $0 < 1$. Then the constant mapping

$$f : S_S \rightarrow S_S, 1 \mapsto 1, 0 \mapsto 1$$

is order-preserving and S -submultiplicative, but it is not a right S -act homomorphism, because $f(1) \cdot 0 = 0 \neq 1 = f(1 \cdot 0)$.

An *order embedding* from a poset (A, \leq_A) to a poset (B, \leq_B) is a mapping $h : A \rightarrow B$ such that $a \leq_A a'$ iff $h(a) \leq_B h(a')$, for all $a, a' \in A$. Every order embedding is necessarily an injective mapping. We will denote by \mathcal{E} the class of all right S -poset homomorphisms that are order-embeddings. These are precisely the regular monomorphisms in Pos_S (see [2], Theorem 7).

In this paper we will study injectivity with respect to a specific class of order-embeddings. Let \mathcal{E}_{\leq} be the class of morphisms $e : A_S \rightarrow B_S$ in the category Pos_S^{\leq} which satisfy the following condition: $e(a)s \leq e(a')$ implies $as \leq a'$ for all $a, a' \in A$ and $s \in S$. Evidently, each morphism in \mathcal{E}_{\leq} is an order-embedding. On the other hand, every S -poset homomorphism that is an order embedding belongs to \mathcal{E}_{\leq} . In other words, $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{E}_{\leq}$.

Lemma 2. *Let S be a pogroup. Then $\text{Pos}_S^{\leq} = \text{Pos}_S$ and $\mathcal{E}_{\leq} = \mathcal{E}$.*

Proof. We need to show that every order-preserving S -submultiplicative mapping $f : A_S \rightarrow B_S$ is a right S -poset homomorphism. For every $a \in A$ and $s \in S$ we have $f(a)s \leq f(as)$ and $f(as)s^{-1} \leq f(ass^{-1}) = f(a)$ by S -submultiplicativity. Multiplying both sides of the last inequality by s we obtain $f(as) \leq f(a)s$. We conclude that $f(as) = f(a)s$, as required.

For the second claim we have to prove the inclusion $\mathcal{E}_{\leq} \subseteq \mathcal{E}$. If $e \in \mathcal{E}_{\leq}$ then clearly e is an order-embedding. By the first part of this proof, e also preserves S -action. \square

Inspired by the notion of a quantale (see [8]) we introduce a term “ S -quantale”.

Definition 3. We call a right S -poset A_S a *right S -quantale* if

- (1) the poset A is a complete lattice;
- (2) $(\bigvee M)s = \bigvee \{ms \mid m \in M\}$ for each subset M of A and each $s \in S$.

In the following, “ S -quantale” is also used to substitute the term “right S -quantale”.

We note that S -quantales also appear in [5] under the name of “complete S -posets”, in [4] under the name of “continuously complete S -posets” and in [10] under the name of “equivariantly complete S -posets”.

Injectivity properties of S -posets have been studied by several authors. First of all, injectivity with respect to all monomorphisms (i.e., injective homomorphisms) is not an interesting property, because the only S -posets with this property are singletons ([3], Theorem 2.5). Therefore it is more natural to study \mathcal{E} -injectivity. Since the morphisms in \mathcal{E} are precisely the regular monomorphisms of Pos_S , \mathcal{E} -injective S -posets have been called also *regularly injective* (cf. [13]).

The first to study regular injectivity was Skornyakov ([12]) who studied S -posets over a discretely ordered monoid S and proved that such S -posets are complete as posets if they are regularly injective. Later on, Fakhrudin generalized this result to arbitrary pomonoids. He showed that (using our terminology), a regularly injective left S -poset over a pomonoid S is necessarily a left S -quantale (see [5], Proposition 7.2). Recently, Ebrahimi, Mahmoudi and Rasouli showed in their paper [3] that for a pomonoid S , an S -poset is regularly injective if and only if it is a retract of a cofree S -poset over a complete poset. However, it seems that there exist no descriptions of regularly injective S -posets A_S in terms that are internal to A_S . There are some special results. For example, Fakhrudin in [5] found that for a pogroup S , a left S -poset is regularly injective if and only if it is a left S -quantale, thereby generalizing a similar result of Skornyakov.

One approach to obtain necessary and sufficient conditions for injectivity is to allow a larger class of morphisms between S -posets. This is inspired by the most recent work [7], and also [14], in which certain injective hulls of posemigroups were constructed in a category where morphisms are submultiplicative order-preserving mappings. In this work, we will first investigate \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injectives in the category Pos_S^{\leq} (which has the same objects but possibly more morphisms than Pos_S) and then give an explicit construction of \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective hulls of S -posets in Pos_S^{\leq} .

2. \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -INJECTIVE S -POSETS

In this section we show that \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective objects in the category Pos_S^{\leq} are precisely the right S -quantales.

Proposition 4. *Let Q_S be an S -quantale. Then Q_S is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective in the category Pos_S^{\leq} .*

Proof. Let Q_S be an S -quantale, $e : A_S \rightarrow B_S$ be a morphism in \mathcal{E}_{\leq} and let $f : A_S \rightarrow Q_S$ be a morphism in Pos_S^{\leq} . Define a mapping $g : B_S \rightarrow Q_S$ by

$$g(b) = \bigvee \{f(a)z \mid e(a)z \leq b, a \in A, z \in S\},$$

for any $b \in B$. Then g is obviously an order-preserving mapping. For any $s \in S$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(b)s &= \left(\bigvee \{f(a)z \mid e(a)z \leq b, a \in A, z \in S\} \right) s \\ &= \bigvee \{f(a)zs \mid e(a)z \leq b, a \in A, z \in S\} \\ &\leq \bigvee \{f(a)t \mid e(a)t \leq bs, a \in A, t \in S\} \\ &= g(bs), \end{aligned}$$

which means that g is S -submultiplicative. (Note that here we used that $e(a)z \leq b$ implies $e(a)zs \leq bs$ if $a \in A, z \in S$.) Finally, for any $a \in A$, we have

$$g(e(a)) = \bigvee \{f(x)z \mid e(x)z \leq e(a), x \in A, z \in S\}.$$

If $x \in A$, $z \in S$ are such that $e(x)z \leq e(a)$ then $xz \leq a$ and hence

$$f(x)z \leq f(xz) \leq f(a).$$

Consequently, $(ge)(a) \leq f(a)$. On the other hand, $f(a)$ is obviously one of the terms in the sup that defines $(ge)(a)$. Therefore, $ge = f$ as needed. \square

Proposition 5. *In the category Pos_S^{\leq} , every retract of an S -quantale is an S -quantale.*

Proof. Let E_S be an S -quantale and let A_S be a retract of E_S . Then there exist S -submultiplicative order-preserving mappings $i : A \rightarrow E$ and $g : E \rightarrow A$ such that $gi = id_A$, where id_A is the identity mapping on A . It is obvious that A is complete.

Let $s \in S$, $M \subseteq A$. Clearly, $(\bigvee M)s$ is an upper bound of $\{ms \mid m \in M\}$. Suppose that u is an upper bound of $\{ms \mid m \in M\}$ in A . Then

$$\begin{aligned} u &= g(i(u)) \geq g\left(\bigvee_E \{i(ms) \mid m \in M\}\right) \geq g\left(\bigvee_E \{i(m)s \mid m \in M\}\right) \\ &= g\left(\left(\bigvee_E \{i(m) \mid m \in M\}\right)s\right) \geq g\left(\bigvee_E \{i(m) \mid m \in M\}\right)s \geq \left(\bigvee_A M\right)s. \end{aligned}$$

This means that $(\bigvee M)s$ is the least upper bound of $\{ms \mid m \in M\}$, that is,

$$\left(\bigvee M\right)s = \bigvee \{ms \mid m \in M\}.$$

\square

A subset D of a poset A is said to be a *down-set* if $x \leq d$ implies that $x \in D$ for any $x \in A$, $d \in D$. For any $D \subseteq A$, we denote by $D\downarrow$ the down-set $\{x \in A \mid x \leq d \text{ for some } d \in D\}$ and by $a\downarrow$ the down-set $\{x \in A \mid x \leq a\}$ for $a \in A$.

Now we wish to construct an \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective S -poset starting from an arbitrary right S -poset.

Let A_S be an S -poset, and let $\mathcal{P}(A)$ be the set of all down-sets of the poset A . Define a right S -action \cdot on $\mathcal{P}(A)$ by

$$D \cdot s = (Ds)\downarrow = \{x \in A \mid x \leq ds \text{ for some } d \in D\},$$

for any $s \in S$, $D \in \mathcal{P}(A)$. It is routine to check that $(\mathcal{P}(A), \cdot)$ is an S -act, and an S -poset if we consider inclusion as the partial order. Furthermore, $(\mathcal{P}(A), \cdot, \subseteq)$ is a right S -quantale, that is, $\mathcal{P}(A)$ is a complete lattice under the inclusion relation with supremum being union, and it satisfies

$$\left(\bigvee \{M_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Omega\}\right) \cdot s = \bigvee \{M_\alpha \cdot s \mid \alpha \in \Omega\}$$

for any $M_\alpha \in \mathcal{P}(A)$, $\alpha \in \Omega$, $s \in S$. We denote the right S -quantale $(\mathcal{P}(A), \cdot, \subseteq)$ shortly by $\mathcal{P}(A)_S$. By Proposition 4, we have the following result.

Proposition 6. *Let A_S be an S -poset. Then $\mathcal{P}(A)_S$ is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective in the category Pos_S^{\leq} .*

Using the above construction, we obtain a description of \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injectives in the category Pos_S^{\leq} in the next theorem.

Theorem 7. *Let A_S be an S -poset. Then A_S is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective in Pos_S^{\leq} if and only if A_S is a right S -quantale.*

Proof. Necessity. The mapping $\eta : A_S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A)_S$ given by $\eta(a) = a\downarrow$ for each $a \in S$ is clearly an order embedding of the poset A into the poset $\mathcal{P}(A)$. It is routine to check that η preserves S -action and hence η is also S -submultiplicative. Moreover, if $\eta(a) \cdot s \subseteq \eta(a')$ for $a, a' \in A$, $s \in S$, then $(as)\downarrow = a\downarrow \cdot s \subseteq a'\downarrow$. This implies that $as \leq a'$, which means that $\eta \in \mathcal{E}_{\leq}$.

Since A_S is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective by assumption, A_S is a retract of the S -quantale $\mathcal{P}(A)_S$. Consequently, A_S is an S -quantale by Proposition 5.

Sufficiency follows by Proposition 4. \square

Corollary 8 (Cf. [12] and [5]). *For a right S -poset A_S over a pogroup S the following assertions are equivalent.*

- (1) A_S is \mathcal{E} -injective in Pos_S .
- (2) A_S is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective in Pos_S^{\leq} .
- (3) A_S is a right S -quantale.

Proof. (1) \Leftrightarrow (2) by Lemma 2. (2) \Leftrightarrow (3) by Theorem 7. \square

We say that a pomonoid S is *right (left) \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -self-injective* if the S -poset S_S (${}_S S$) is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective in the category Pos_S^{\leq} (${}_S \text{Pos}^{\leq}$). A pomonoid S is *\mathcal{E}_{\leq} -self-injective* if it is both right and left \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -self-injective.

Self-injective (unordered) semigroups have been studied by several authors (see the comments in [6]). In particular, Päeva [9] has given necessary and sufficient conditions for right self-injectivity of a semigroup in terms of certain homomorphisms and right congruences. From Theorem 7 it immediately follows that \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -self-injectivity of a pomonoid can be described in a quite simple way.

Corollary 9. *A pomonoid S is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -self-injective if and only if it is a quantale.*

3. \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -INJECTIVE HULLS OF S -POSETS

In a recent article [7], Lambek et al considered injective hulls in the category of pomonoids and submultiplicative order-preserving mappings. Later on, Zhang and Laan in [14] extended those results to certain posemigroups and submultiplicative order-preserving mappings. Inspired by these results, in this section, we construct \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective hulls in the category Pos_S^{\leq} . Similarly to Proposition 2.1 in [7] it can be shown that \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective hulls are unique up to isomorphism.

Recall that an order-preserving mapping j on a poset P is called a *closure operator* if it satisfies

- (1) $a \leq j(a)$,
- (2) $j(j(a)) = j(a)$,

for all $a \in P$. Let us introduce the concept of S -quantic nucleus similarly to the case of quantales (see [11]).

Definition 10. Let Q_S be an S -quantale. We say that an S -submultiplicative closure operator j on Q is an *S -quantic nucleus*.

Lemma 11. *Let j be an S -quantic nucleus on an S -quantale Q_S . Then $j(as) = j(j(a)s)$ for any $a \in Q, s \in S$.*

Proof. On one hand, since j is increasing and order-preserving it follows that

$$a \leq j(a) \Rightarrow as \leq j(a)s \Rightarrow j(as) \leq j(j(a)s).$$

Conversely, $j(a)s \leq j(as)$ implies $j(j(a)s) \leq j(j(as)) = j(as)$. \square

Given a closure operator j on a complete lattice Q , its subset $Q_j = \{a \in Q \mid j(a) = a\}$ is again complete. Moreover, $\bigvee \{j(a) \mid a \in Q\} = j(\bigvee \{a \mid a \in Q\})$ (see [11]).

Theorem 12. *If $j : Q_S \rightarrow Q_S$ is an S -quantic nucleus, then Q_j is an S -quantale with the action $a \circ s = j(as)$.*

Proof. Since

$$\begin{aligned} (a \circ s) \circ t &= j((a \circ s)t) = j(j(as)t) = j((as)t) = j(a(st)) = a \circ (st), \\ a \circ 1 &= j(a1) = j(a) = a \end{aligned}$$

for all $a \in Q_j$ and $s, t \in S$, (Q_j, \circ) is an S -act. Also, if $a \leq b$ and $s \leq t$ then $as \leq bt$ and $a \circ s = j(as) \leq j(bt) = b \circ t$, so (Q_j, \circ) is an S -poset.

Let us show that $(\bigvee M) \circ s = \bigvee \{m \circ s \mid m \in M\}$ for any $M \subseteq Q, s \in S$. Obviously, $\bigvee \{m \circ s \mid m \in M\} \leq (\bigvee M) \circ s$. Conversely, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\bigvee M) \circ s &= j\left(\left(\bigvee M\right)s\right) = j\left(\bigvee \{ms \mid m \in M\}\right) \\ &\leq j\left(\bigvee \{j(ms) \mid m \in M\}\right) = \bigvee \{j(j(ms)) \mid m \in M\} \\ &= \bigvee \{j(ms) \mid m \in M\} = \bigvee \{m \circ s \mid m \in M\}. \end{aligned}$$

So (Q_j, \circ) is an S -quantale. \square

In the next step, we will construct an \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective hull for any S -poset A_S in the category Pos_S^{\leq} .

For any down-set D of an S -poset A_S we define its closure by

$$\text{cl}(D) := \{x \in A \mid Ds \subseteq a\downarrow \text{ implies } xs \leq a \text{ for all } a \in A, s \in S\}.$$

Lemma 13. *For an S -poset A_S , cl is an S -quantic nucleus on $\mathcal{P}(A)_S$.*

Proof. It is straightforward to show that cl is a closure operator on $\mathcal{P}(A)_S$. Let us prove that cl is S -submultiplicative, i.e., $\text{cl}(D) \cdot s \subseteq \text{cl}(D \cdot s)$, for any $D \in \mathcal{P}(A)_S, s \in S$. Take $y \in \text{cl}(D) \cdot s$. Then $y \leq xs$ for some $x \in \text{cl}(D)$. Suppose that $(D \cdot s)t \subseteq a\downarrow$ where $t \in S$ and $a \in A$. Then for any $d \in D, dst \in (D \cdot s)t \subseteq a\downarrow$. Hence $D(st) \subseteq a\downarrow$. So $x(st) \leq a$ because $x \in \text{cl}(D)$. It follows that $yt \leq xst \leq a$, which results in $y \in \text{cl}(D \cdot s)$, as needed. \square

For any S -poset A_S , we put

$$\mathcal{Q}(A) := \mathcal{P}(A)_{\text{cl}} = \{D \in \mathcal{P}(A) \mid \text{cl}(D) = D\}$$

and define a right S -action \circ on $\mathcal{Q}(A)$ by

$$D \circ s := \text{cl}(D \cdot s),$$

for any $s \in S$. By Theorem 12, the S -poset $\mathcal{Q}(A)_S = (\mathcal{Q}(A), \circ, \subseteq)$ is an S -quantale, and hence it is \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective in the category Pos_S^{\leq} .

Now we prove our main theorem.

Theorem 14. *For every S -poset A_S , $\mathcal{Q}(A)_S$ is the \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -injective hull of A_S in the category Pos_S^{\leq} .*

Proof. Since S is a monoid, $a\downarrow \in \mathcal{Q}(A)_S$ for any $a \in A$. We will show that the mapping $\eta : A_S \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}(A)_S, a \mapsto a\downarrow$ is an \mathcal{E}_{\leq} -essential morphism in Pos_S^{\leq} .

To show that η is an S -poset homomorphism, take $a \in A, s \in S$. It is easy to see that $a\downarrow \cdot s = (as)\downarrow$. Hence we have

$$\eta(a) \circ s = \text{cl}(a\downarrow \cdot s) = \text{cl}((as)\downarrow) = (as)\downarrow = \eta(as),$$

i.e. η is an S -act homomorphism. For every $a, b \in A, a \leq b$ if and only if $a\downarrow \subseteq b\downarrow$, which means that η is an order embedding. Thus $\eta \in \mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{E}_{\leq}$.

Finally, let $\psi : \mathcal{Q}(A)_S \rightarrow B_S$ be a morphism in Pos_S^{\leq} such that $\psi\eta \in \mathcal{E}_{\leq}$. We have to show that $\psi \in \mathcal{E}_{\leq}$. Suppose that $\psi(D)z \leq \psi(D')$, where $D, D' \in \mathcal{Q}(A), z \in S$. First we prove that

$$(3.1) \quad (\forall a \in A, s \in S)(D's \subseteq a\downarrow \implies Dzs \subseteq a\downarrow).$$

Assume that $D's \subseteq a\downarrow, a \in A, s \in S$, and take an element $d \in D$. Then $D' \circ s = \text{cl}((D's)\downarrow) \subseteq \text{cl}((a\downarrow)\downarrow) = \text{cl}(a\downarrow) = a\downarrow$ and so

$$(\psi\eta)(d)zs = \psi(d\downarrow)zs \leq \psi(D)zs \leq \psi(D')s \leq \psi(D' \circ s) \leq \psi(a\downarrow) = (\psi\eta)(a).$$

Since $\psi\eta \in \mathcal{E}_{\leq}$, we conclude that $dzs \leq a$ in A . Consequently, $Dzs \subseteq a\downarrow$.

To complete the proof, we have to show that $D \circ z \subseteq D'$. Take $x \in D \circ z$. Since $D' = \text{cl}(D')$, it suffices to prove that $x \in \text{cl}(D')$, i.e.,

$$(\forall a \in A, s \in S)(D's \subseteq a\downarrow \implies xs \leq a).$$

If $D's \subseteq a\downarrow$ then, by (3.1), we have $Dzs \subseteq a\downarrow$. Since $x \in D \circ z = \text{cl}((Dz)\downarrow)$, we get $xs \leq a$ if we are able to prove that $(Dz)\downarrow s \subseteq a\downarrow$. If $d \in D, d' \in A$ and $d' \leq dz$ then $d's \leq dzs \leq a$, so $(Dz)\downarrow s \subseteq a\downarrow$, as needed. \square

Example 15. Consider the additive pomonoid $S = (\mathbb{N}_0, +)$ of nonnegative integers acting on the set $A = \mathbb{N}$ by addition. For the S -poset A_S we have

$$\mathcal{P}(A) = \{n\downarrow \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \cup \{\emptyset, \mathbb{N}\} = \mathcal{Q}(A),$$

where $n\downarrow = \{1, \dots, n\}$, and the action on $\mathcal{Q}(A)$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} n\downarrow \circ s &= \text{cl}((n\downarrow + s)\downarrow) = \text{cl}((n + s)\downarrow) = (n + s)\downarrow, \\ \mathbb{N} \circ s &= \text{cl}((\mathbb{N} + s)\downarrow) = \text{cl}(\mathbb{N}) = \mathbb{N}, \\ \emptyset \circ s &= \text{cl}((\emptyset + s)\downarrow) = \emptyset, \end{aligned}$$

$s \in \mathbb{N}$. So $\mathcal{Q}(A)_S$ is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{N} \cup \{\theta, \infty\})_{\mathbb{N}_0}$ where $\infty + s = \infty, \theta + s = \theta$, and $\theta \leq a \leq \infty$ for all $s \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $a \in \mathbb{N}$. In other words, we obtain the injective hull of A_S by adjoining external zero elements, one at the top, the other at the bottom.

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