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## REPRESENTATIONS OF CYCLICALLY ORDERED GROUPS

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*Summary.* Theorem on the representation of cyclically ordered groups was proved by S. Swierczkowski (by using a result of L. Rieger). In the present note sufficient conditions are found for such a representation to be determined uniquely up to isomorphism.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

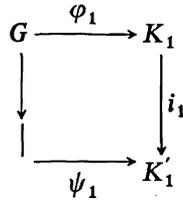
Cyclically ordered groups were investigated by L. Rieger [3], S. Swierczkowski [4], A. I. Zabarina [5], [6], A. I. Zabarina and G. G. Pestov [7], Š. Černák and the first author [2]. For the basic notions, cf. also L. Fuchs [1].

By applying a result of Rieger [3], Swierczkowski [5] proved a theorem on the representation of a cyclically ordered group. (For a thorough formulation cf. Definition 2.4 and Theorem 5 below.) A natural question arises whether this representation is unique up to isomorphism.

Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group and let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L$  be a representation in the sense of [4]. Here  $K_1$  is a subgroup of the cyclically ordered group  $K$  from Example 2.2 below and  $L$  is a linearly ordered group. We denote by  $\varphi_1$  the natural homomorphism of  $G$  onto  $K_1$  which is induced by the representation  $\varphi$ . Similarly, let  $\varphi_2$  be the natural homomorphism of  $G$  onto  $L$  which is induced by the representation  $\varphi$ .

Let  $\psi: G \rightarrow K'_1 \otimes L'$  be another such representation. In the present paper it will be proved that, with regard to the above question, the situation concerning the first subdirect factor (i.e., the subgroup of  $K$ ) essentially differs from the situation concerning the second subdirect factor (the linearly ordered group). Namely, it will be shown that

- (i) *there exists an isomorphism  $i_1$  of  $K_1$  onto  $K'_1$  such that the diagram*



is commutative;

(ii) the linearly ordered groups  $L$  and  $L'$  need not be isomorphic in general.

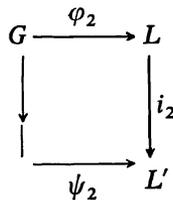
In fact, there exists a cyclically ordered group  $G$  having the representations

$$\psi_n: G \rightarrow K_n \otimes L_n \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

such that, whenever  $m$  and  $n$  are distinct positive integers, then  $L_m$  fails to be isomorphic to  $L_n$ .

Let  $G_0$  be the linearly ordered kernel of  $G$  (cf. Section 3 below). It will be proved that

(iii) if  $G_0$  is divisible and if for each  $g \in G$  there is a positive integer  $n$  with  $ng \in G_0$ , then there exists an isomorphism  $i_2$  of  $L$  onto  $L'$  such that the diagram



is commutative.

Section 2 contains the basic definitions; also, Swierczkowski's theorem is recalled here. Two characterizations of  $G_0$  are given in Section 3 and Section 4. The above assertion (i) is proved in Section 5. The proofs of the assertions (ii) and (iii) are presented in Section 6.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $G$  be a group. The group operation will be denoted additively, the commutativity of this operation will not be assumed.

Suppose that a ternary relation  $[x, y, z]$  is defined on  $G$  such that the following conditions are satisfied for each  $x, y, z, a, b \in G$ :

I. If  $[x, y, z]$  holds, then  $x, y$  and  $z$  are distinct; if  $x, y$  and  $z$  are distinct, then either  $[x, y, z]$  or  $[z, y, x]$ .

II.  $[x, y, z]$  implies  $[y, z, x]$ .

III.  $[x, y, z]$  and  $[y, u, z]$  imply  $[x, u, z]$ .

IV.  $[x, y, z]$  implies  $[a + x + b, a + y + b, a + z + b]$ .

Then  $G$  is said to be a cyclically ordered group. The ternary relation under consideration is called the cyclic order on  $G$ .

If  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , then  $H$  is considered as cyclically ordered by the cyclic order reduced to  $H$ .

The notion of isomorphism for cyclically ordered groups is defined in a natural way. Let  $G$  and  $G'$  be cyclically ordered groups and let  $f$  be a mapping of  $G$  into  $G'$  such that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  is a homomorphism with respect to the group operation;
- (ii) if  $x, y$  and  $z$  are elements of  $G$  such that  $[x, y, z]$  is valid in  $G$  and if the elements  $f(x), f(y)$  and  $f(z)$  are distinct, then  $[f(x), f(y), f(z)]$  is valid in  $G'$ .

Under these suppositions  $f$  is said to be a homomorphism of  $G$  into  $G'$ .

**2.1. Example.** Let  $L$  be a linearly ordered group. For distinct elements  $x, y$  and  $z$  of  $L$  we put  $[x, y, z]$  if

$$(1) \quad x < y < z \quad \text{or} \quad z < x < y \quad \text{or} \quad y < z < x$$

is valid. Then  $L$  turns out to be a cyclically ordered group. The cyclic order defined in this way is said to be induced by the linear order. Each linearly ordered group will be considered as cyclically ordered by the induced cyclic order.

**2.2. Example.** Let  $K$  be the set of all real numbers  $x$  with  $0 \leq x < 1$ ; the operation  $+$  on  $K$  is defined to be the addition mod 1. For distinct elements  $x, y$  and  $z$  of  $K$  we put  $[x, y, z]$  if the relation (1) is valid. Then  $K$  is a cyclically ordered group.

**2.3. Example.** Let  $L$  be as in 2.1 and let  $K$  be as in 2.2. Let  $K_1$  be a subgroup of  $K$ . Let  $K_1 \times L$  be the direct product of the groups  $K_1$  and  $L$ . For distinct elements  $u = (a, x), v = (b, y)$  and  $w = (c, z)$  of  $K_1 \times L$  we put  $[u, v, w]$  if some of the following conditions is satisfied:

- (i)  $[a, b, c]$ ;
- (ii)  $a = b \neq c$  and  $x < y$ ;
- (iii)  $b = c \neq a$  and  $y < z$ ;
- (iv)  $c = a \neq b$  and  $z < x$ ;
- (v)  $a = b = c$  and  $[x, y, z]$ .

The group  $K_1 \times L$  with this ternary relation is a cyclically ordered group; it will be denoted by  $K_1 \otimes L$ .

For  $M \subseteq K_1 \times L$  we denote by  $M(K_1)$  the set of all elements  $a \in K_1$  having the property that there exists  $x \in L$  with  $(a, x) \in M$ . The set  $M(L)$  is defined analogously.

**2.4. Definition.** Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group. Let  $K_1 \otimes L$  be as in 2.3. A mapping  $\varphi$  of  $G$  into  $K_1 \otimes L$  is said to be a representation of  $G$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

(i)  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism of  $G$  into  $K_1 \otimes L$ ;

(ii)  $\varphi(G)(K_1) = K_1$  and  $\varphi(G)(L) = L$ .

Let  $G, K_1, L$  and  $\varphi$  be as in 2.4. Let  $g \in G$  and  $\varphi(g) = (a, x)$ . Then we put  $\varphi_1(g) = a$ ,  $\varphi_2(g) = x$ .

The following result is due to Swierczkowski [4].

**2.5. Theorem.** *Each cyclically ordered group possesses a representation.*

From 2.5 we obtain by a routine calculation:

**2.6. Lemma.** *Let  $a$  and  $b$  be elements of a cyclically ordered group such that  $[0, a, b]$  is valid. Then  $[0, -b, -a]$  holds.*

### 3. LINEARLY ORDERED SUBGROUPS OF A CYCLICALLY ORDERED GROUP

If  $G$  is a cyclically ordered group, then by the expression “ $G$  is linearly ordered” we always mean the fact that there exists a linear order  $\leq$  on  $G$  such that  $(G; \leq)$  is a linearly ordered group and that the given cyclic order on  $G$  is induced by this linear order.

The relation of cyclic order on  $G$  will often be denoted by  $[ ]$ .

**3.1. Lemma.** *Let  $(G; \leq)$  be a linearly ordered group and let  $[ ]$  be the corresponding induced cyclic order on  $G$ . Then the linear order on  $G$  can be uniquely reconstructed from the cyclically ordered group  $(G; [ ])$ .*

*Proof.* In view of the definition of the induced cyclic order (cf. Example 2.1) we have

$$x > 0 \Leftrightarrow [-x, 0, x].$$

**3.2. Corollary.** *Let  $(G; +, \leq_1)$  and  $(G; +, \leq_2)$  be linearly ordered groups. Let  $[ ]_1$  and  $[ ]_2$  be the corresponding induced cyclic orders. If  $[ ]_1$  coincides with  $[ ]_2$ , then  $\leq_1$  coincides with  $\leq_2$ .*

Example 2.1 and Lemma 3.1 show that the notion of cyclically ordered group is a generalization of the notion of linearly ordered group. Moreover, the class of all linearly ordered groups as a subclass of all cyclically ordered groups can be determined by using merely the properties of the corresponding cyclic orders; namely, the following assertion is valid:

**3.3. Lemma.** *Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

(i)  $G$  is linearly ordered.

(ii) Each nonzero subgroup of  $G$  is infinite and for each  $g \in G$  and each positive integer  $n$  the relation

$$[-g, 0, g] \Rightarrow [-g, 0, ng]$$

is valid.

**Proof.** The implication (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) is obvious. Assume that (ii) holds. By way of contradiction, suppose that  $G$  fails to be linearly ordered. According to 2.5, there exists a representation

$$\varphi: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L$$

of the cyclically ordered group  $G$ . Then without loss of generality we can suppose that  $G \subseteq K_1 \times L$  and that  $\varphi$  is the identity on  $G$ . Because  $G$  is not linearly ordered, there exists  $g \in G$ ,  $g = (a, x)$  such that  $a \neq 0$ .

First we shall verify that  $na \neq 0$  for each positive integer  $n$ . In fact, suppose that there exists a positive integer  $n$  with

$$(1) \quad na = 0;$$

let  $n$  be the least positive integer with the property mentioned. Clearly  $n \geq 2$  and there exists a positive integer  $m < n$  such that  $a = m/n$ , and the positive integers  $m$  and  $n$  are relatively prime.

Since the subgroup of  $G$  generated by the element  $g$  is infinite, the relation (1) yields  $x \neq 0$ . There exists an integer  $k$  such that  $kg = (1/n, kx)$  and  $kx < 0$ . Then  $-kg = (1 - 1/n, -kx)$ . According to the definition of the cyclic order in  $K_1 \otimes L$  we have

$$[0, kg, -kg],$$

hence  $[-kg, 0, kg]$ . Therefore in view of (ii), the relation

$$(2) \quad [-kg, 0, nkg]$$

holds. According to (1) we have  $nkg = (0, nkx)$ . Since  $nkx < 0$ , we obtain  $[0, -kg, nkg]$ . Thus  $[nkg, 0, -kg]$ , contradicting (2).

Let  $b$  be the inverse element of  $a$  in  $K_1$ , hence  $b = 1 - a$ . Since  $a \neq \frac{1}{2}$ , one of the elements  $a$  or  $b$  is contained in the open interval of reals with the endpoints 0 and  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Without loss of generality we can assume that  $0 < a < \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $\frac{1}{2} < b < 1$ , whence  $[0, g, -g]$  and thus  $[-g, 0, g]$ . In view of (ii) the relation

$$(3) \quad [-g, 0, ng]$$

is valid for each positive integer  $n$ . Because  $0 < a < b$ , there is a positive integer  $t$  such that

$$(4) \quad ta < b \quad \text{and} \quad (t + 1)a \geq b.$$

(In the relations (4) the addition and the multiplication is in the field of reals, not in  $K_1$ .) If  $(t + 1)a = b$ , then in  $K_1$  we would have  $(t + 2)a = 0$ , which contradicts

the result proved above. Hence  $(t + 1) a > b$ . From the first inequality in (4) we obtain

$$(t + 1) a < 1 .$$

Thus  $0 < b < (t + 1) a < 1$ , whence

$$[0, (b, -x), ((t + 1) a, (t + 1) x)] ,$$

and thus  $[0, -g, (k + 1) g]$ . Therefore  $[(k + 1) g, 0, -g]$ , contradicting the relation (3).

**3.4. Corollary.** *Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group. Let  $G_1$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Then  $G_1$  is linearly ordered if and only if it fulfils the condition (ii) of 3.3.*

Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group and let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L$  be its representation. We denote by  $G_0(\varphi)$  the set of all  $g \in G$  having the property that there exists  $x_g \in L$  with  $\varphi(g) = (0, x_g)$ . Then  $G_0(\varphi)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

In view of the facts mentioned in the proof of 3.3 we obviously have

**3.5. Lemma.** *Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a cyclically ordered subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $\varphi$  be as above. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $H \subseteq G_0(\varphi)$ .
- (b)  $H$  is linearly ordered.

**Proof.** The implication (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) is obvious. The proof of the implication (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) is the same as the proof of the relation (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) in 3.3.

For a related result, cf. [7], Theorem 2.7.

**3.6. Corollary.** (i)  $G_0(\varphi)$  is the largest linearly ordered subgroup of  $G$ . (ii)  $G_0(\varphi)$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ . (iii) If  $\psi: G \rightarrow K'_1 \otimes L'$  is another representation of  $G$ , then  $G_0(\psi) = G_0(\varphi)$ .

In view of part (iii) of 3.6 we shall often write  $G_0$  rather than  $G_0(\varphi)$ .

#### 4. $c$ -CONVEX SUBGROUPS

It is well known that the kernel of a homomorphism of a linearly ordered group  $G$  into a linearly ordered group is a convex subgroup of  $G$ .

In this section the notion of a  $c$ -convex subgroup of a cyclically ordered group is introduced. The definition of  $c$ -convexity is formulated in such a way that in the particular case of linearly ordered groups it coincides with the notion of convexity.

**4.1. Definition.** *Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group. A subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  is said to be  $c$ -convex if one of the following conditions is fulfilled:*

- (i)  $H = G$ ;

(ii) for each  $h \in H$  with  $h \neq 0$  we have  $2h \neq 0$ ; if  $h \in H$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $[-h, 0, h]$ ,  $[-h, g, h]$ , then  $g \in H$ .

Another notion of convexity in cyclically ordered groups (called  $z$ -convexity) was studied in [7].

From 4.1 and from the fact that for a nonzero element  $h$  of a linearly ordered group we always have  $2h \neq 0$  we immediately obtain

**4.2. Lemma.** *Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a linearly ordered group  $G$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $H$  is a convex subgroup of the linearly ordered group  $G$ .
- (ii)  $H$  is a  $c$ -convex subgroup of the cyclically ordered group  $G$ .

For a subgroup  $H$  of a linearly ordered group  $G$  the condition (i) from 4.2 is equivalent to each of the following conditions:

- ( $\alpha_1$ ) If  $h_1, h_2 \in H$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $h_1 < g < h_2$ , then  $g \in H$ .
- ( $\alpha_2$ ) If  $h \in H$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $0 < g < h$ , then  $g \in H$ .

By analogy to ( $\alpha_1$ ) and ( $\alpha_2$ ) we can consider the following conditions for a subgroup  $H$  of a cyclically ordered group  $G$ :

- ( $\beta_1$ ) If  $h_1, h_2 \in H$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $[h_1, g, h_2]$ , then  $g \in H$ .
- ( $\beta_2$ ) If  $h \in H$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $[0, g, h]$ , then  $g \in H$ .

The question arises whether ( $\beta_1$ ) is equivalent to the  $c$ -convexity of  $H$  (and similarly for the condition ( $\beta_2$ )). The following lemma (and the fact that there exists a cyclically ordered group  $G$  having a nonzero  $c$ -convex subgroup distinct from  $G$ ) shows that the answer is negative.

**4.3. Lemma.** *Let  $H$  be a nonzero subgroup of a cyclically ordered group  $G$ . Assume that  $H$  satisfies the condition ( $\beta_2$ ). Then  $H = G$ .*

*Proof.* There exists  $h \in H$  with  $h \neq 0$ . Let  $g \in G$ ,  $g \neq 0$ ,  $-h \neq g \neq h$ . If  $2h = 0$ , then we have either  $[0, g, h]$  or  $[0, -g, h]$ ; hence in both cases,  $g$  belongs to  $H$ . Thus  $H = G$ .

Now suppose that  $2h \neq 0$ . Without loss of generality we may suppose that  $[-h, 0, h]$  (if not, then we take  $-h$  instead of  $h$ ). Thus one of the following possibilities is valid: (i)  $[0, g, h]$ ; (ii)  $[h, g, -h]$ ; (iii)  $[-h, g, 0]$ . In the case (i) we have  $g \in H$ . If (ii) is valid, then  $[0, g - h, -2h]$ , hence  $g - h \in H$  and thus  $g \in H$ . In the case (iii) the relation  $[0, -g, h]$  holds (in view of 2.6), whence  $g \in H$ .

Since ( $\beta_1$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\beta_2$ ), we infer that in 4.3 the condition ( $\beta_2$ ) can be replaced by ( $\beta_1$ ).

The following two assertions are immediate consequences of 4.1.

**4.4. Lemma.** *Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group. Let  $H$  be a  $c$ -convex subgroup of  $G$  and let  $H_1$  be a  $c$ -convex subgroup of  $H$ . Then  $H_1$  is a  $c$ -convex subgroup of  $G$ .*

**4.5. Lemma.**  $G_0$  is a  $c$ -convex subgroup of  $G$ .

**4.6. Lemma.** *Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group. Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$H$  is a  $c$ -convex subgroup of  $G$ .*
- (ii) *Either  $H = G$  or  $H$  is a  $c$ -convex subgroup of  $G_0$ .*

*Proof.* The assertion (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) follows from 4.4 and 4.5. Assume that (i) is valid. If  $H \subseteq G_0$ , then  $H$  is obviously a  $c$ -convex subgroup of  $G_0$ . Suppose that  $H$  fails to be a subset of  $G_0$ . Hence there is  $h \in H$  such that, under a representation  $\varphi: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L$  of  $G$ , we have  $\varphi(h) = (a, x)$ ,  $a \neq 0$ . Let  $g \in G$ ,  $\varphi(g) = (b, y)$ .

Let us first consider the case  $a = \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $x \neq 0$  (because  $2h \neq 0$ ). Without loss of generality we can suppose that  $x < 0$  (in the case  $x > 0$  we take  $-h$  instead of  $h$ ). Thus  $[-h, 0, h]$  holds. If  $b \neq \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $[-h, g, h]$  is valid, hence  $g \in H$ . In the case  $b = \frac{1}{2}$  denote  $g' = g - h$ . We have  $[-h, g', h]$ , thus  $g' \in H$  and therefore  $g \in H$ . We obtain  $H = G$ .

Next, let us consider the case  $a \neq \frac{1}{2}$ . Then without loss of generality we may suppose that  $0 < a < \frac{1}{2}$ , hence  $[-h, 0, h]$ . We distinguish the following subcases:

- ( $\alpha$ ) If  $0 \leq b < a$  or  $1 - a < b < 1$ , then  $[-h, g, h]$ , hence  $g \in H$ .
- ( $\beta$ ) If  $b = a$  or  $b = 1 - a$ , then for the element  $g' = g - h$  or  $g' = g + h$ , respectively, we have  $g' \in H$  (according to ( $\alpha$ )), hence  $g \in H$ .
- ( $\gamma$ ) Let  $a < b < 1 - a$ . First suppose that there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $na = \frac{1}{2}$ . Put  $h_1 = nh \in H$ . Then  $\varphi(h_1) = (\frac{1}{2}, nx)$ . Hence in view to the result proved above (for the case  $a = \frac{1}{2}$ ) we infer that  $g \in H$ . Now suppose that  $na \neq \frac{1}{2}$  for each positive integer  $n$ . There exists the least positive integer  $n$  with  $na < \frac{1}{2} < (n + 1)a$ . Let  $\varphi(-g) = (b_1, g_1)$  and assume that  $g \neq 0$ . It suffices to verify that  $g \in H$  or  $-g \in H$ . We have either  $0 \leq b \leq \frac{1}{2}$  or  $0 \leq b_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . Without loss of generality we may suppose that  $0 \leq b \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . If  $b = na$ , then according to ( $\alpha$ ) or ( $\beta$ ), we obtain  $g \in H$  (we take now  $h' = nh$  instead of  $h$ ). Let  $na < b$ . Then  $na < b < (n + 1)a$ , hence  $0 < b - na < a$ . In view of ( $\alpha$ ) we have  $g - nh \in H$ , which implies that  $g \in H$ . Therefore  $H = G$ .

**4.7. Corollary.** *Let  $G$  be a nonzero cyclically ordered group,  $G \neq G_0$ . Then  $G_0$  is the largest  $c$ -convex proper subgroup of  $G$ .*

For a related result (concerning  $z$ -convexity) cf. [7], Theorem 2.6.

From 3.6 and 4.7 we obtain

**4.8. Corollary.** *Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a cyclically ordered group  $G$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$H$  is the largest linearly ordered subgroup of  $G$ ;*
- (ii)  *$H$  is the largest  $c$ -convex proper subgroup of  $G$ .*

## 5. THE FIRST SUBDIRECT FACTORS

In this section the assertion (i) from the introduction will be proved.

Let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L$  be a representation of a cyclically ordered group  $G$ . Then  $K_1$  of  $L$  is said to be the first subdirect factor and the second subdirect factor, respectively, with regard to the given representation of  $G$ . Let  $g \in G$  and  $\varphi(g) = (a, x)$ . Denote  $\varphi_1(g) = a$ . The mapping  $\varphi_1$  is a homomorphism of the group  $G$  into the group  $K_1$ . For each  $a_1 \in K_1$  there exists  $g_1 \in G$  such that  $\varphi_1(g_1) = a_1$ . Hence  $\varphi_1$  is an epimorphism. The kernel of  $\varphi_1$  is  $G_0(\varphi)$ . For each element  $g + G_0$  of the factor group  $G/G_0(\varphi)$  we put

$$\varphi'_1(g + G_0) = a.$$

Then  $\varphi'_1$  is correctly defined on  $G/G_0(\varphi)$  and  $\varphi'_1$  is an isomorphism of the group  $G/G_0(\varphi)$  onto the group  $K_1$ .

Let  $g_i + G_0$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ) be distinct elements of  $G/G_0(\varphi)$ ,  $\varphi(g_i) = (a_i, x_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ). Then we have

$$(1) \quad [g_1, g_2, g_3] \Leftrightarrow [a_1, a_2, a_3].$$

Thus if  $g'_i \in g_i + G_0$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ), then

$$(2) \quad [g_1, g_2, g_3] \Leftrightarrow [g'_1, g'_2, g'_3].$$

Under the above notation we put  $[g_1 + G_0, g_2 + G_0, g_3 + G_0]$  if  $[g_1, g_2, g_3]$  is valid. In view of (2) the relation  $[ ]$  on  $G/G_0(\varphi)$  is correctly defined. From (1) we obtain

**5.1. Lemma.**  $(G/G_0(\varphi), [ ])$  is a cyclically ordered group. The mapping  $\varphi'_1$  is an isomorphism of this cyclically ordered group onto the cyclically ordered group  $K_1$ . The mapping  $\varphi_1$  is a homomorphism of the cyclically ordered group  $G$  onto the cyclically ordered group  $K_1$ .

The mapping  $\varphi_1$  will be said to be the natural homomorphism of  $G$  onto  $K_1$ .

Let  $v_1$  be the natural mapping of  $G$  onto  $G/G_0(\varphi)$ ; i.e., for each  $g \in G$  we have  $v_1(g) = g + G_0$ . We obviously have

**5.2. Lemma.**  $v_1$  is a homomorphism of the cyclically ordered group  $G$  onto the cyclically ordered group  $G/G_0(\varphi)$  and the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} & K_1 \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \varphi'_1 \\ & \xrightarrow{v_1} & G/G_0(\varphi) \end{array}$$

is commutative.

Now let  $\psi: G \rightarrow K'_1 \otimes L'$  be another representation of the cyclically ordered group  $G$ . Let  $\psi_1, \psi'_1$  and  $v_2$  be defined analogously as  $\varphi_1, \varphi'_1$  and  $v_1$ . As  $G_0(\psi) =$

$= G_0(\varphi)$  (cf. 3.6), we obtain  $v_2 = v_1$ . For each  $a \in K_1$  we put

$$i_1(a) = \psi'_1((\varphi'_1)^{-1}(a)).$$

According to 5.1 (and the corresponding assertion which concerns  $\psi$ )  $i_1$  is an isomorphism of the cyclically ordered group  $K_1$  onto the cyclically ordered group  $K'_1$ . From 5.2 and from the corresponding assertion concerning  $\psi$  we obtain

**5.3. Theorem.** *Let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow K \otimes L$  and  $\psi: G \rightarrow K' \otimes L'$  be representations of a cyclically ordered group  $G$ . Let  $\varphi_1: G \rightarrow K$  and  $\psi_1: G \rightarrow K'$  be the corresponding natural homomorphisms. Then there exists an isomorphism  $i_1$  of the cyclically ordered group  $K$  onto  $K'$  such that the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} & K_1 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow i_1 \\ & \xrightarrow{\psi_1} & K'_1 \end{array}$$

is commutative.

## 6. THE SECOND SUBDIRECT FACTORS

In this section it will be proved that the assertions (ii) and (iii) from the introduction are valid.

Let us denote by  $R$  the additive group of all reals with the natural linear order. Let  $Q$  be the subgroup of  $R$  consisting of all rationals. Let  $y$  be an irrational number with  $0 < y < 1$ . We denote by  $A$  the set of all elements  $r$  of  $R$  which can be expressed in the form

$$(1) \quad r = q + ny,$$

where  $q \in Q$  and  $n$  is an integer. Then  $A$  is a subgroup of  $R$  and each element of  $A$  can be uniquely expressed in the form (1).

Let  $N$  be the set of all positive integers with the natural linear order. For each  $n \in N$  let  $B_n = Q$ . Denote  $L = \Gamma_{n \in N} B_n$ . (Cf. [1].) Let  $K_1$  be the subgroup of  $K$  generated by the element  $y$ . Put

$$G = K_1 \otimes L.$$

Let  $m \in N$ . Put  $C_m = A$ , and  $C_n = Q$  for each  $n \in N \setminus \{m\}$ . Denote  $L(m) = \Gamma_{n \in N} C_n$ . Then we obviously have

**6.1. Lemma.** *If  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are distinct positive integers, then  $L(m_1)$  fails to be isomorphic to  $L(m_2)$ .*

The elements of  $G$  will be denoted by  $g = (ty, b_n)_{n \in N}$ , where  $t$  is an integer and  $b_n \in B_n$ . Similarly, the elements of the cyclically ordered group  $G(m) = K_1 \otimes L(m)$  can be denoted by  $(t'y, c_n)_{n \in N}$ , where  $t'$  is an integer and  $c_n \in C_n$  for each  $n \in N$ . Let us put

$$\varphi_n(g) = (ty, c_n)_{n \in N},$$

where

- (i)  $c_n = b_n$  for each  $n \in N \setminus \{m\}$ ,
- (ii)  $c_m = b_m + ty$ .

The following two assertions are easy to verify.

**6.2. Lemma.**  $\varphi_m$  is an isomorphism of the cyclically ordered group  $G$  into  $G(m)$ .

**6.3. Lemma.** Let  $(c_n)_{n \in N} \in L(m)$ . Then there exists  $g = (ty, b_n) \in G$  such that  $\varphi_m(g) = (ty, c_n)_{n \in N}$ .

From 6.2 and 6.3 we obtain

**6.4. Corollary.** For each  $m \in N$ , the mapping  $\varphi_m: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L(m)$  is a representation of the cyclically ordered group  $G$ .

Now, 6.1 and 6.4 yield that the assertion (ii) from Introduction holds.

Let us investigate the following conditions for a cyclically ordered group  $G$ :

- ( $\alpha$ )  $G_0$  is divisible.
- ( $\beta$ ) For each  $g \in G$  there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $ng \in G_0$ .

Let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L$  be a representation of  $G$ . If  $g \in G$  and  $\varphi(g) = (a, x)$ , then we put  $\varphi_2(g) = x$ . Then we obviously have

**6.5. Lemma.**  $\varphi_2$  is a homomorphism of the group  $G$  onto the group  $L$ .

$\varphi_2$  will be said to be the natural homomorphism of the group  $G$  onto  $L$ .

**6.6. Lemma.** Let ( $\alpha$ ) and ( $\beta$ ) be valid. Let  $\varphi$  be as above,  $x \in L$ . There exists  $g_1 \in G_0$  such that  $\varphi(g_1) = (0, x)$ .

*Proof.* There exist  $g \in G$  and  $a \in K_1$  such that  $\varphi(g) = (a, x)$ . In view of ( $\beta$ ) there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $ng = g_0 \in G_0$ . Hence  $\varphi(ng) = (na, nx)$  and  $na = 0$  in  $K$ . Next, according to ( $\alpha$ ) there is  $g_1 \in G_0$  with  $ng_1 = g_0$ . Let  $\varphi(g_1) = (0, z)$ . Hence  $\varphi(ng_1) = (0, nz) = \varphi(g_0) = (0, nx)$ . We infer that  $nz = nx$ . Because  $L$  is linearly ordered, we obtain that  $z = x$ .

Under the notation as in 6.6 put  $\varphi'_2(x) = g_1$ . Then we have

**6.7. Lemma.**  $\varphi'_2$  is an isomorphism of the linearly ordered group  $L$  onto the linearly ordered group  $G_0$ .

Let  $\psi: G \rightarrow K'_1 \otimes L'$  be another representation of  $G$ . Let  $\psi_2$  be defined analogously to  $\varphi_2$ . The elements  $g_0$  and  $g_1$  are as above (we apply 3.6). If  $x \in L$ ,  $g_0 \in G_0$ ,  $\varphi(g_0) =$

$= (0, x)$ , then there is a uniquely determined element  $x' \in L'$  with  $\psi(g_0) = (0, x')$ . Put  $i_2(x) = x'$ . In view of 6.7 (and of the analogous assertion concerning  $\psi'_2$ ) we obtain

**6.8. Theorem.** *Let  $G$  be a cyclically ordered group such that the conditions  $(\alpha)$  and  $(\beta)$  are satisfied. Let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L$  and  $\psi: G \rightarrow K'_1 \otimes L'$  be representations of  $G$ . Then  $i_2$  is an isomorphism of  $L$  onto  $L'$  such that the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\varphi_2} & L \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow i_2 \\ & \xrightarrow{\psi_2} & L' \end{array}$$

is commutative.

Let  $Q_0$  be the set of all rational numbers  $a$  with  $0 \leq a < 1$ . By a slight modification of the above example which was used for proving the assertion (ii) from Introduction we obtain the following result (its proof will be omitted):

**6.9. Proposition.** *Let  $K_0$  be a subgroup of  $K$  such that  $K_0$  fails to be a subset of  $Q_0$*

(i) *Put  $G_1 = K_0 \otimes Q$ . There exist representations  $\psi_1: G_1 \rightarrow K_1 \otimes L_1$  and  $\psi_2: G_1 \rightarrow K_2 \otimes L_2$  such that  $L_1$  is not isomorphic to  $L_2$ .*

(ii) *Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal. There is a linearly ordered group  $L$  such that for the cyclically ordered group  $G_2 = K_0 \otimes L$  there exist representations  $\psi_i: G_2 \rightarrow K_i \otimes L_i$  ( $i \in I$ ),  $\text{card } I = \alpha$  having the property that whenever  $i(1)$  and  $i(2)$  are distinct elements of  $I$ , then  $L_{i(1)}$  is not isomorphic to  $L_{i(2)}$ .*

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## Súhrn

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