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DISTINGUISHED EXTENSIONS OF AN *MV*-ALGEBRA

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1. INTRODUCTION

The notions of distinguished extension and distinguished completion of a lattice ordered group were investigated by R. N. Ball in [2], [4], [5].

The distinguished completion of a lattice ordered group G is denoted by $E(G)$. It is defined uniquely up to isomorphisms leaving all elements of G fixed.

In [4] and [5] it is proved that $E(G)$ is in a certain sense better than several other types of completions of the lattice ordered group G (cf. the diagram of such completions which is given in [4]).

In [5], $E(G)$ was described by applying the construction of the maximal essential extension in the category of distributive lattices which was dealt with by Balbes [1] and Ball [3].

Let \mathcal{A} be an *MV*-algebra with the underlying set A . In view of the well-known result of Mundici [9] there exists an abelian lattice ordered group G with a strong unit u such that, under the notation as in [8] (cf. also Section 2 above) we have

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u).$$

This implies that we obtain a lattice order on the set A ; the corresponding lattice will be denoted by $\ell(\mathcal{A})$.

If \mathcal{B} is an *MV*-algebra such that \mathcal{A} is a subalgebra of \mathcal{B} , then \mathcal{B} is said to be an extension of \mathcal{A} . If, moreover, for each $0 < b \in B$ ($=$ the underlying set of \mathcal{B}) there exists $0 < a \in A$ with $a \leq b$, then \mathcal{A} is called a dense subalgebra of \mathcal{B} .

In analogy with [5] (p. 89) we introduce the following definitions:

1.1. Definition. Let \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} be MV -algebras such that \mathcal{B} is an extension of \mathcal{A} . Suppose that

- (i) \mathcal{A} is dense in \mathcal{B} ;
- (ii) if $b_1, b_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ and $b_1 < b_2$, then there are $a_1, a_2 \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $a_1 < a_2$ and the interval $[a_1, a_2]$ of $\ell(\mathcal{B})$ is projective to a subinterval of $[b_1, b_2]$ in $\ell(\mathcal{B})$.

Then \mathcal{B} is called a distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} .

1.2. Definition. An MV -algebra is called distinguished if it has no proper distinguished extension.

1.3. Definition. Let \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} be MV -algebras such that

- (i) \mathcal{B} is a distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} ;
- (ii) the MV -algebra \mathcal{B} is distinguished.

Then \mathcal{B} is said to be a distinguished completion of \mathcal{A} .

If a lattice ordered group G is an ℓ -subgroup of a lattice ordered group H , then we write $G \preceq H$. Similarly, if an MV -algebra \mathcal{A} is a subalgebra of an MV -algebra \mathcal{B} , then we express this fact by writing $\mathcal{A} \preceq \mathcal{B}$.

In the present paper we prove the following results.

1.4. Proposition. Let G and H be abelian lattice ordered groups with $G \preceq H$. Suppose that u is a strong unit in both G and H . Further suppose that \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are MV -algebras such that

$$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u), \quad \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}_0(H, u).$$

Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) H is a distinguished extension of G ;
- (ii) \mathcal{B} is a distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} .

1.5. Proposition. Let \mathcal{A} be an MV -algebra; suppose that (1) is valid. Put

$$G_1 = E(G), \quad \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}_0(G'_1, u),$$

where G'_1 is the convex ℓ -subgroup of G_1 which is generated by the element u . Then \mathcal{B} is a distinguished completion of \mathcal{A} .

We also prove that the distinguished completion of an MV -algebra \mathcal{A} is defined uniquely up to isomorphisms leaving all elements of \mathcal{A} fixed.

2. PRELIMINARIES

First we remark that if in Definitions 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 above the MV -algebras are replaced by lattice ordered groups, then these modified definitions can be applied for lattice ordered groups (cf. (*) in Section 3 below, and the corresponding definitions in [5]).

For MV -algebras we apply the terminology and the notation as in Gluschkof [7] (cf. also the author's paper [8]). Thus an MV -algebra is an algebraic system

$$\mathcal{A} = (A; \oplus, \neg, *, 0, 1),$$

where A is a nonempty set, \oplus and $*$ are binary operations, \neg is a unary operation, 0 and 1 are unary operations on A such that the identities (m_1) – (m_9) from [7] are satisfied.

We will systematically apply the following results which are due to Mundici [9] (Theorem 2.5 and 3.8); cf. also [8].

2.1. Proposition. *Let G be an abelian lattice ordered group with a strong unit u . Let A be the interval $[0, u]$ of G . For each a and b in A we put*

$$a \oplus b = (a + b) \wedge u, \quad \neg a = u - a, \quad 1 = u.$$

Further, let the operation $$ on A be defined by (m_9) . Then $\mathcal{A} = (A; \oplus, *, \neg, 0, u)$ is an MV -algebra.*

If G and \mathcal{A} are as in 2.1, then we denote $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$.

2.2. Proposition. *Let \mathcal{A} be an MV -algebra. Then there exists an abelian lattice ordered group G with a strong unit u such that $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$.*

Let \mathcal{A} be a given MV -algebra. From the construction of the lattice ordered group G with the property as in 2.2 performed in [9] we conclude that the following two lemmas are valid.

2.3. Lemma. *Let G and G' be abelian lattice ordered groups with strong units u and u' . Suppose that \mathcal{A} is an MV -algebra such that $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$ and $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G', u')$. Then $u = u'$ and there is an isomorphism φ of G onto G' such that $\varphi(a) = a$ for each $a \in A$. Moreover, if $G \subseteq G'$ and $u = u'$, then $G = G'$.*

2.4. Lemma. *Let \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} be MV -algebras, $\mathcal{A} \preceq \mathcal{B}$, $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$. Then (i) there exists an abelian lattice ordered group H such that u is a strong unit of H ,*

$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}_0(H, u)$ and (ii) there is an isomorphism φ of G into H such that $\varphi(a) = a$ for each $a \in A$.

If a lattice ordered group H is a distinguished extension of a lattice ordered group G , then we write

$$G \preceq_{\text{dist}} H.$$

An analogous notation will be applied for MV -algebras.

The following assertion is easy to verify.

2.5. Lemma. *Let X, Y and Z be lattice ordered groups such that $X \preceq Z \preceq Y$. If $X \preceq_{\text{dist}} Y$, then $Z \preceq_{\text{dist}} Y$ and $X \preceq_{\text{dist}} Z$.*

3. PROOFS OF 1.4 AND 1.5

For the notion of projectivity of intervals in a lattice cf., e.g., Birkhoff [6].

Let L be a distributive lattice and let $[a, b]$ be an interval in L . For each $x \in L$ we put $x \pi ab = (x \vee a) \wedge b$. If, moreover, $[c, d]$ is an interval in L such that $c \pi ab = a$ and $d \pi ab = b$, then we say that a and b distinguish c from d . (Cf. [5].)

An easy calculation shows that

(*) a and b distinguish c from d if and only if the interval $[a, b]$ is projective to subinterval of $[c, d]$.

The following lemma gives a deeper insight into the notion of projectivity of intervals in a distributive lattice. It seems to be folklore; the proof will be omitted.

3.1. Lemma. *Let L be a distributive lattice and let $[a, b], [c, d]$ be intervals in L . Denote*

$$a \wedge c = u_1, \quad b \wedge d = v_1, \quad a \vee c = u_2, \quad b \vee d = v_2.$$

Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) *The intervals $[a, b]$ and $[c, d]$ are projective.*
- (ii) *The relations*

$$\begin{aligned} a \wedge v_1 = u_1, \quad a \vee v_1 = b, \quad c \wedge v_1 = u_1, \quad c \vee v_1 = d, \\ b \wedge u_2 = a, \quad b \vee u_2 = v_2, \quad d \wedge u_2 = c, \quad d \vee u_2 = v_2 \end{aligned}$$

are valid.

The distributive law immediately yields

3.2. Lemma. *Let L be a distributive lattice. Let $p, q \in L$ and let $[a, b], [c, d]$ be projective intervals in L . Denote $x' = (x \vee p) \wedge q$ for each $x \in L$. Then the intervals $[a', b']$ and $[c', d']$ are projective in L .*

The following lemma is a corollary of 3.1.

3.3. Lemma. *Let L_1 be a sublattice of a distributive lattice L . Let $[a, b]$, $[c, d]$ be intervals in L_1 and let $[a, b]^0$, $[c, d]^0$ be the corresponding intervals (with the endpoints a, b or c, d , respectively) in L . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) *The intervals $[a, b]$ and $[c, d]$ are projective in L_1 .*
- (ii) *The intervals $[a, b]^0$ and $[c, d]^0$ are projective in L .*

3.4. Lemma. *Let G and H be abelian lattice ordered groups with the same strong unit u . Suppose that H is a distinguished extension of G and that $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$, $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}_0(H, u)$. Then \mathcal{B} is a distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} .*

Proof. In view of the definitions of \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} we conclude that \mathcal{B} is an extension of \mathcal{A} . Let A or B be the underlying set of \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} , respectively. Let $0 < b \in B$. Then $b \in H^+$ and thus there exists $g \in G$ with $0 < g \leq b$. We obtain $g \leq u$, whence $g \in A$ and therefore \mathcal{A} is a dense subalgebra of \mathcal{B} .

Let $b_1, b_2 \in B$, $b_1 < b_2$. Thus $b_1, b_2 \in H$. Hence there exist $b'_1, b'_2 \in H$ and $g_1, g_2 \in G$ such that

$$b_1 \leq b'_1 < b'_2 \leq b_2, \quad g_1 < g_2$$

and the intervals $[b'_1, b'_2]$, $[g_1, g_2]$ are projective in H . Denote

$$g'_1 = (g_1 \vee 0) \wedge u, \quad g'_2 = (g_2 \vee 0) \wedge u.$$

Then in view of 3.2, the intervals $[b'_1, b'_2]$ and $[g'_1, g'_2]$ are projective in H . Clearly $g'_1, g'_2 \in A$. According to 3.3, the intervals $[b'_1, b'_2]$, $[g'_1, g'_2]$ are projective in \mathcal{B} . Therefore \mathcal{B} is a distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} . \square

3.5. Lemma. *Let G and H be abelian lattice ordered groups with the same strong unit u . Suppose that H is an extension of G , $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$, $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}_0(H, u)$ and that \mathcal{B} is a distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} . Then H is a distinguished extension of G .*

Proof. a) First we verify that G is dense in H . Let $0 < h \in H$. There is a positive integer n with $h \leq nu$. Hence there are $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n \in H$ such that $0 \leq b_i \leq u$ for each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ and $h = b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_n$. Then $b_{i(1)} > 0$ for some $i(1) \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Since $b_{i(1)}$ belongs to B there is $a_{i(1)} \in A$ with $0 < a_{i(1)} \leq b_{i(1)}$. We get $a_{i(1)} \leq h$ and $a_{i(1)} \in G$; thus G is dense in H .

b) Now let $h_1, h_2 \in H$, $h_1 < h_2$. Since u is a strong unit in H there exists a positive integer n such that

$$(1) \quad -nu \leq h_1 < h_2 \leq nu.$$

Put $u_k = (-n + k)u$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2n$. Hence we have a chain

$$(2) \quad -nu = u_0 < u_1 < u_2 < \dots < u_{2n} = nu.$$

By considering the chains given in (1) and (2) and by applying the well-known theorem on refinements of finite chains in a modular lattice (cf. e.g., Birkhoff [6], Chapter V, Corollary to Theorem 5) we conclude that there is a chain

$$h_1 = y_0 \leq y_1 \leq y_2 \leq \dots \leq y_{2n} = h_2$$

such that for each $k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ we have

$$(3) \quad [y_k, y_{k+1}] \sim [z_k, z'_k],$$

where the symbol \sim denotes the projectivity of intervals in the lattice $\ell(H)$ and $[z_k, z'_k]$ is a subinterval of the interval $[u_k, u_{k+1}]$ in $\ell(H)$.

There exists $k(1) \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ such that $y_{k(1)} < y_{k(1)+1}$. Then $z_{k(1)} < z'_{k(1)}$. Denote

$$v_{k(1)} = z_{k(1)} - u_{k(1)}, \quad v'_{k(1)} = z'_{k(1)} - u_{k(1)}.$$

Thus

$$0 \leq v_{k(1)} < v'_{k(1)} \leq u.$$

Because \mathcal{B} is a distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} , there exists a subinterval $[t_{k(1)}, t'_{k(1)}]$ of $[v_{k(1)}, v'_{k(1)}]$ such that

$$[t_{k(1)}, t'_{k(1)}] \sim [q_{k(1)}, q'_{k(1)}],$$

where $q_{k(1)}, q'_{k(1)}$ are elements of A and $q_{k(1)} < q'_{k(1)}$. Denote

$$p_{k(1)} = q_{k(1)} + u_{k(1)}, \quad p'_{k(1)} = q'_{k(1)} + u_{k(1)}.$$

Then $p_{k(1)}, p'_{k(1)}$ are elements of G , $p_{k(1)} < p'_{k(1)}$ and the interval $[p_{k(1)}, p'_{k(1)}]$ is projective in $\ell(H)$ with a subinterval of $[z_{k(1)}, z'_{k(1)}]$. Since the relation of projectivity is transitive, $[p_{k(1)}, p'_{k(1)}]$ is projective to a subinterval of $[y_{k(1)}, y_{k(1)+1}]$ (cf. (3)), and therefore $[p_{k(1)}, p'_{k(1)}]$ is projective to a subinterval of $[h_1, h_2]$ in H .

Hence H is a distinguished extension of G . □

From 3.4 and 3.5 we conclude that 1.4 is valid.

For an abelian lattice ordered group X let \overline{X}^ω and X^c have the same meaning as in [5] (pp. 109–110). Thus \overline{X}^ω is the strong projectable completion of X and X^c is the cut completion of X .

In view of Theorem 4.2 in [5] we have

3.6. Proposition. *Let X be an abelian lattice ordered group. Then $E(X) = (\overline{X^\omega})^c$.*

From the definitions of $\overline{X^\omega}$ and X^c we immediately obtain

3.7. Lemma. *Let X and Y be abelian lattice ordered groups such that $X \preceq Y$. Then $\overline{X^\omega} \preceq \overline{Y^\omega}$ and $X^c \preceq Y^c$.*

Now, 3.6 and 3.7 yield

3.7.1. Corollary. *Let X and Y be as in 3.7. Then $E(X) \preceq E(Y)$.*

Proof of 1.5. We apply the assumptions and the notation as in 1.5.

a) Since $G \preceq_{\text{dist}} G_1$, from 2.5 we conclude that $G \preceq_{\text{dist}} G'_1$ and then, in view of 3.4, we obtain that

$$(4) \quad \mathcal{A} \preceq_{\text{dist}} \mathcal{B}$$

is valid.

b) Suppose that \mathcal{B}_1 is an MV -algebra with the underlying set B_1 such that $\mathcal{B} \preceq_{\text{dist}} \mathcal{B}_1$. Then in view of (4) we get

$$(4') \quad \mathcal{A} \preceq_{\text{dist}} \mathcal{B}_1.$$

There exists an abelian lattice ordered group H with a strong unit u such that

$$\mathcal{B}_1 = \mathcal{A}_0(H, u).$$

According to 2.4 we can suppose, without loss of generality, that H is an extension of G (cf. Fig. 1).

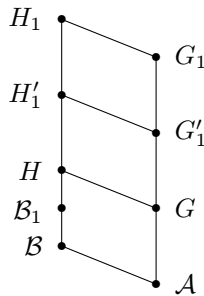


Fig. 1

Put $H_1 = E(H)$. In view of 3.6,

$$G_1 = (\overline{G}^\omega)^c, \quad H_1 = (\overline{H}^\omega)^c.$$

According to 3.7.1 we have

$$(5) \quad G_1 \preceq H_1.$$

c) In view of (4') and according to 1.4 we obtain

$$G \preceq_{\text{dist}} H.$$

Further, $H \preceq_{\text{dist}} H_1$, thus $G \preceq_{\text{dist}} H_1$. Hence by applying 2.5 and (5) we conclude that

$$G_1 \preceq_{\text{dist}} H_1.$$

However, since G_1 is distinguished we get $G_1 = H_1$. Then $G'_1 = H'_1$, where H'_1 is defined analogously to G'_1 .

Let $b_1 \in B_1$. Then $b_1 \in H$ and $0 \leq b_1 \leq u$, whence $b_1 \in H'_1 = G'_1$, thus $b_1 \in B$. Therefore $B_1 = B$. We have verified that \mathcal{B} is distinguished. \square

3.8. Lemma. *Let \mathcal{B}^0 be an MV-algebra which is distinguished. Suppose that H^0 is an abelian lattice ordered group with a weak unit u such that $\mathcal{B}^0 = \mathcal{A}_0(H^0, u)$. Put $H_1^0 = E(H^0)$ and let $G_1^{0'}$ be the convex ℓ -subgroup of H_1^0 which is generated by the element u . Then $G_1^{0'} = H^0$.*

Proof. We have

$$H^0 \preceq G_1^{0'} \preceq H_1^0, \quad H^0 \preceq_{\text{dist}} H_1^0,$$

whence in view of 2.5,

$$H_0 \preceq_{\text{dist}} G_1^{0'} \preceq_{\text{dist}} H_1^0.$$

Put $\mathcal{B}^1 = \mathcal{A}_0(G_1^{0'}, u)$. Then $\mathcal{B}^0 \preceq \mathcal{B}^1$, and according to 1.4,

$$\mathcal{B}^0 \preceq_{\text{dist}} \mathcal{B}^1.$$

Since \mathcal{B}^0 is distinguished, we obtain $\mathcal{B}^0 = \mathcal{B}^1$. From this and from 2.3 we infer that $H_0 = G_1^{0'}$. \square

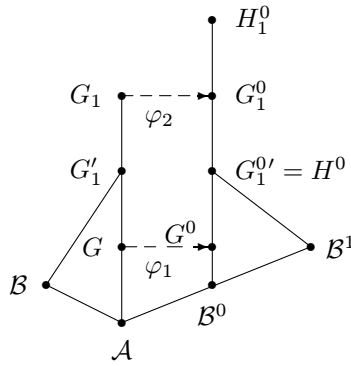


Fig. 2

Again, consider the lattice ordered groups and the MV -algebras from Fig. 1. In the proof of 1.5 we have verified that $H'_1 = G'_1$ and $H_1 = G_1$.

Now let \mathcal{B}^0 be an arbitrary distinguished extension of \mathcal{A} . In view of 2.4 there exists an abelian lattice ordered group H^0 with the strong unit u such that

- (i) $\mathcal{B}^0 = \mathcal{A}_0(H^0, u)$,
- (ii) there exists an isomorphisms φ_1 of G into H^0 such that $\varphi_1(a) = (a)$ for each $a \in A$ and $G^0 \preceq H^0$, where $G^0 = \varphi_1(G)$. (Cf. Fig. 2).

Put $H^0_1 = E(H^0)$ and $G^0_1 = E(G^0)$. Then according to 3.7, $G^0_1 \preceq H^0_1$. Further, (ii) yields that there exists an isomorphism φ_2 of G_1 onto G^0_1 such that

$$\varphi_2(g) = \varphi_1(g) \quad \text{for each } g \in G.$$

Let $G^{0'}_1$ be as in 3.8. Then

$$\varphi_2(G'_1) = G^{0'}_1.$$

Moreover, in view of 3.8, $G^{0'}_1 = H^0$, hence $\varphi_2(G'_1) = H^0$.

This yields that φ_2 maps isomorphically the MV -algebra \mathcal{B} onto \mathcal{B}^0 . Also, $\varphi_2(a) = a$ for each $a \in A$. Therefore we have

3.9. Proposition. *Let \mathcal{A} be an MV -algebra. Then the distinguished completion of \mathcal{A} is defined uniquely up to isomorphisms leaving all elements of \mathcal{A} fixed.*

3.10. Proposition. *Let \mathcal{A} , G , G_1 and G'_1 be as in 1.5. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) *The MV -algebra \mathcal{A} is distinguished.*
- (ii) $G = G'_1$.

Proof. In view of 3.8, the implication (i) \Rightarrow (ii) is valid. Assume that (ii) holds. Then (under the notation as in 1.5) we have $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}$, whence 1.5 yields that \mathcal{A} is distinguished. \square

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