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## COMPLETIONS OF LATTICE ORDERED GROUPS

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In the presented paper there is examined the existence of the largest completion of an archimedean lattice ordered group. The investigation was inspired by a question proposed by M. Kolibiar at the Algebraic Winter School (Krpáčová 1980). The methods used below are analogous to those applied in the author's papers [6] and [7] for examining the existence of free complete lattice ordered groups or free complete vector lattices.

### 1. Preliminaries

For the terminology concerning lattice ordered groups cf. Conrad [2] and Fuchs [3]. Let us recall some notations we shall need in the sequel.

Let  $H$  be a lattice ordered group.  $H$  is said to be complete if each nonempty upper bounded subset of  $H$  possesses the least upper bound in  $H$ . If this is the case, then also the corresponding dual condition is valid. An  $l$ -subgroup  $H_1$  of  $H$  is called closed in  $H$  if, whenever  $X$  is a subset of  $H_1$  and  $x_0$  is an element of  $H$  such that  $x_0 = \sup X$  or  $x_0 = \inf X$  holds in  $H$ , then  $x_0$  belongs to  $H_1$ . Let  $Y \subseteq H$ . The set  $Y$  is said to generate ( $c$ -generate) the lattice ordered group  $H$  if for each (closed)  $l$ -subgroup  $H_1$  of  $H$  with  $Y \subseteq H_1$  we have  $H_1 = H$ .

A lattice ordered group  $A$  is called archimedean if for each  $0 < a \in A$  and each  $b \in A$  there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $na \not\leq b$ . The following results are well known: (i) If  $H$  is a complete lattice ordered group, then each  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$  is archimedean. (ii) For each archimedean lattice ordered group  $A$  there exists a complete lattice ordered group  $H$  such that  $A$  is an  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$  and  $A$   $c$ -generates  $H$ . (iii) Each archimedean lattice ordered group is abelian.

Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group. We denote by  $C(G)$  the class of all complete lattice ordered groups  $H$  such that

- (a)  $G$  is an  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ , and
- (b) the set  $G$   $c$ -generates  $H$ .

The lattice ordered groups belonging to  $C(G)$  will be said to be completions of  $G$ .

Let  $G_1, G_2 \in C(G)$ . If there exists an isomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $G_1$  onto  $G_2$  such that  $\varphi(g) = g$  for each  $g \in G$ , then we shall not distinguish  $G_1$  from  $G_2$  and we write  $G_1 = G_2$ .

## 2. Quasiorders $\cong_1$ and $\cong_2$ on $C(G)$

Unless otherwise stated,  $G$  will always denote an archimedean lattice ordered group. Let  $T_1, T_2 \in C(G)$ . The lattice ordered group  $T_1$  is called the  $\alpha$ -largest completion of  $G$  if for each  $S \in C(G)$  there exists an isomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $S$  into  $T_1$  such that  $\varphi(g) = g$  for each  $g \in G$ . The lattice ordered group  $T_2$  is said to be the  $\beta$ -largest completion of  $G$  if for each  $S \in C(G)$  there exists a homomorphism  $\Psi$  of  $T_2$  onto  $S$  such that  $\Psi(g) = g$  for each  $g \in G$ .

The above notions are related to the following binary relations  $\cong_1$  and  $\cong_2$  on the class  $C(G)$ . Let  $S, T \in C(G)$ . We put  $S \cong_1 T$  if there exists an isomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $S$  into  $T$  such that  $\varphi(g) = g$  for each  $g \in G$ . Further we put  $S \cong_2 T$  if there exists a homomorphism  $\Psi$  of  $T$  onto  $S$  such that  $\Psi(g) = g$  for each  $g \in G$ . The relations  $\cong_1$  and  $\cong_2$  are obviously quasiorders on the class  $C(G)$ .

Analogous quasiorders concerning the situation when a partially ordered set is embedded into a lattice have been investigated by M. Kolibiar [9].

Let us illustrate the quasiorder  $\cong_1$  by the following example.

Example 1. Let  $I$  be an infinite set and for each  $i \in I$  let  $G_i$  and  $H_i$  be the additive group of all rationals or all reals, respectively; both  $G_i$  and  $H_i$  are linearly ordered in the natural way. Put

$$G = \sum_{i \in I} G_i, \quad H = \sum_{i \in I} H_i, \quad H' = \prod_{i \in I} H_i.$$

Then  $H$  and  $H'$  belong to  $C(G)$ ,  $H \cong_1 H'$  and  $H$  fails to be isomorphic with  $H'$ .

The natural question arises: what are the properties of the quasiordered class  $(C(G); \cong_1)$  or  $(C(G); \cong_2)$ ? In particular, does  $G$  always have the  $\alpha$ -largest completion or the  $\beta$ -largest completion? The first question seems to be rather difficult. It will be shown below that the answer to the second question is negative.

We need the following result (it follows from the construction applied in the proof of Thm. 4.7 in [6]):

(A) Let  $M$  be a set with  $\text{card } M = \aleph_0$ . Let  $\alpha$  be a cardinal. There exists a complete lattice ordered group  $G_\alpha$  such that  $G_\alpha$  is  $c$ -generated by the set  $M$  and  $\text{card } G_\alpha \cong \alpha$ .

The complete lattice ordered groups  $G_\alpha$  were constructed in [6] by means of complete Boolean algebras  $B_\alpha$  having properties analogous to those of  $G_\alpha$  (i.e.,  $B_\alpha$  is  $c$ -generated by a denumerable set and  $\text{card } B_\alpha \cong \alpha$ ); the Boolean algebras  $B_\alpha$  have been described by Hales [4]. Let us denote by  $G'_\alpha$  the  $l$ -subgroup of  $G_\alpha$  generated by the set  $M$ .

Since the class of all lattice ordered groups is a variety, there exists the free lattice ordered group  $FLG(\aleph_0)$  with  $\aleph_0$  free generators and clearly  $\text{card } FLG(\aleph_0) = \aleph_0$ . If  $H$  is a lattice ordered group having a denombrable subset  $M_1$  such that  $M_1$  generates  $H$ , then there is an  $l$ -ideal  $K$  in  $FLG(\aleph_0)$  such that  $H$  is isomorphic with  $FLG(\aleph_0)/K$ . From this it follows that the number of non-isomorphic types of lattice ordered groups with  $\aleph_0$  generators is less than or equal to  $2^{\aleph_0}$ .

The above consideration shows that there is a set  $\{H_i\}_{i \in I}$  of lattice ordered groups such that 1) for each  $i \in I$  there is  $M_i \subseteq H_i$  with  $\text{card } M_i = \aleph_0$  such that  $M_i$  generates  $H_i$ ; 2) for each pair  $i, j$  of distinct elements  $i, j$  of  $I$ ,  $H_i$  fails to be isomorphic with  $H_j$ ; 3) if  $H$  is a lattice ordered group with  $\aleph_0$  generators, then there is  $i \in I$  such that  $H$  is isomorphic to  $H_i$ .

Let  $I_1$  be the class of all  $i \in I$  that have the following property: there is a cardinal  $\alpha(i)$  such that  $G'_\beta$  fails to be isomorphic to  $H_i$  for each cardinal  $\beta > \alpha(i)$ . Suppose that  $I_1 = I$ . Then there is a cardinal  $\alpha_0$  with  $\alpha_0 > \alpha(i)$  for each  $i \in I$ ; thus for each  $i \in I$ ,  $G'_{\alpha_0}$  fails to be isomorphic with  $H_i$ , which contradicts 3). Thus there is  $i_0 \in \bigcap I_1$ ; denote  $G^0 = H_{i_0}$ . Hence we have

**2.1. Lemma.** *For each cardinal  $\alpha$  there is a cardinal  $\beta$  with  $\beta > \alpha$  such that  $G^0$  is isomorphic to  $G'_\beta$ .*

**2.2. Theorem.** *There exists an archimedean lattice ordered group  $G$  such that (i)  $G$  has neither the  $\alpha$ -largest completion nor the  $\beta$ -largest completion, and (ii)  $C(G)$  is a proper class.*

*Proof.* Put  $G = G^0$ . Suppose that  $T_1$  is the  $\alpha$ -largest completion of  $G$ . Denote  $\text{card } T_1 = \alpha$ . According to 2.1 there exists  $\beta > \alpha$  such that  $G^0$  is isomorphic with  $G'_\beta$ ; thus without loss of generality we can assume that  $G^0 = G'_\beta$ . Hence  $G_\beta$  is a completion of  $G^0$ . Since  $\text{card } G_\beta \cong \beta$ , there does not exist any isomorphism of  $G_\beta$  into  $T_1$ , which is a contradiction.

Next suppose that  $T_2$  is the  $\beta$ -largest completion of  $G$ ,  $\text{card } T_2 = \alpha$ . Let  $\beta$  be as in the previous consideration. From  $\text{card } G_\beta \cong \beta > \alpha$  it follows that there cannot exist any homomorphism of  $T_2$  onto  $G_\beta$ , which is a contradiction.

The assertion (ii) is an immediate consequence of 2.1.

Let  $C_1(G)$  be the partially ordered class that we obtain from the quasiordered class  $(C(G), \leq_1)$  by identifying each pair of elements  $G_1, G_2 \in C(G)$  which fulfil the relations  $G_1 \leq_1 G_2, G_2 \leq_1 G_1$ . Further let  $C_2(G)$  be defined analogously. The question whether there must exist maximal elements in  $C_1(G)$  or in  $C_2(G)$  remains open.

A nonempty subclass  $A$  of  $C(G)$  is said to be an antichain in  $(C(G); \leq_1)$  if for any pair of distinct elements  $G_1, G_2 \in A$  we have neither  $G_1 \leq_1 G_2$  nor  $G_2 \leq_1 G_1$ .

**2.3. Proposition.** *Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal. There exists an archimedean lattice ordered group  $G'$  such that there is an antichain  $A$  in  $(C(G'), \leq_1)$  with  $\text{card } A = \alpha$ .*

Proof. Let  $J$  be a set,  $\text{card } J = \alpha$ . Let  $G, H$  and  $H'$  be as in the Example 1. For each  $j \in J$  let  $G'_j = G$ ; further we put  $G' = \prod_{j \in J} G'_j$ . Let  $k$  be a fixed element of  $J$ . We set  $G_k^0 = \prod_{j \in J} G_{kj}$ , where  $G_{kj} = H$  for  $j = k$  and  $G_{kj} = H'$  otherwise. Then  $G_k^0 \in C(G')$  for each  $k \in J$  and  $A = \{G_k^0\}_{k \in J}$  is an antichain in  $(C(G'), \leq_1)$  with  $\text{card } A = \alpha$ .

### 3. Completions of linearly ordered groups

In this paragraph it will be shown that for each archimedean linearly ordered group  $G$ ,  $C(G)$  is a one-element set.

An  $l$ -subgroup  $G_1$  of a lattice ordered group  $G_2$  will be said to be an  $rl$ -subgroup of  $G_2$  if whenever  $X \subseteq G_1$ ,  $x_0 \in G_1$  and  $x_0$  is the join of the set  $X$  in  $G_1$ , then  $x_0$  is also the join of the set  $X$  in  $G_2$ . (This is equivalent to the corresponding dual condition.)

Let us recall the following definition:

**3.1. Definition.** *The complete lattice ordered group  $K$  is called a Dedekind completion of the lattice ordered group  $G$  if the following conditions hold:*

- (i)  $G$  is an  $l$ -subgroup of  $K$ .
- (ii) For each  $k \in K$  there are subsets  $X, Y$  of  $G$  such that  $\sup X = k = \inf Y$  holds in  $K$ .

It is easy to verify that if  $G$  possesses a Dedekind completion, then this is determined uniquely up to isomorphisms. It will be shown below that if  $K$  is the Dedekind completion of  $G$ , then  $G$  is an  $rl$ -subgroup of  $K$  (cf. 5.2.1). The following theorem has been proved by Clifford (cf. Fuchs [3]):

(B) Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group. Then  $G$  possesses a Dedekind completion.

The Dedekind completion of an archimedean lattice ordered group  $G$  will be denoted by  $d(G)$ .

Let us denote by  $R$  the additive group of all reals with the natural linear order. Then we have (cf. [3], Chap. IV, Thm. 1 (Hölder)):

(C) Each archimedean linearly ordered group is isomorphic to an  $l$ -subgroup of  $R$ .

**3.2. Lemma.** *Let  $G$  be an  $l$ -subgroup of a lattice ordered group  $K$ . Assume that  $G$  is linearly ordered. Let  $G'$  be the convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $K$  generated by  $G$ . Then  $G'$  is a closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $K$ .*

Proof. The case  $G = \{0\}$  being trivial we can assume that  $G \neq \{0\}$ . Choose  $0 < g \in G$ . It is easy to verify that  $G'$  is the set of all  $k \in K$  such that  $|k| \leq |g(k)|$  for some  $g(k) \in G$ . Let  $\emptyset \neq X \subseteq G$ ,  $k \in K$  and suppose that  $\sup X = k$  holds in  $K$ . If  $X$  is upper-bounded in  $G$ , then clearly  $k \in G'$ . If  $X$  fails to be upper-bounded in  $G$ , then we have in  $K$  the relation

$$k = \sup X = \sup G = \sup (G - g) = \sup G - g = k - g < k,$$

which is a contradiction.

Let  $G$ ,  $K$  and  $G'$  be as in 3.2. For each  $k \in G'$  denote  $I(k) = \{g \in G, g \leq k\}$ . Let  $G_1$  be the set of all elements  $k \in G'$  such that  $k = \sup I(k)$  holds in  $K$ . Clearly  $k \in K$  belongs to  $G_1$  if and only if there exists a nonempty subset  $X$  of  $G$  such that (i)  $X$  is an upper bounded subset of  $G$  and (ii)  $\sup X = k$  holds in  $K$ .

**3.2. Lemma.**  $G_1$  is the closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $K$  generated by  $G$ , and  $G_1$  is linearly ordered.

*Proof.* From the definition of  $G_1$  it follows that  $G_1$  is linearly ordered. Let  $k_1, k_2 \in G_1$ . There are nonempty subsets  $X_1, X_2$  of  $G$  that are upper-bounded in  $G$  such that the relations  $k_1 = \sup X_1$  and  $k_2 = \sup X_2$  hold in  $K$ . Then  $X_1 + X_2$  is an upper-bounded subset of  $G$  and  $k_1 + k_2 = \sup (X_1 + X_2)$  is valid in  $K$ ; thus  $G_1$  is closed with respect to the group operation. Hence  $G_1$  is an  $l$ -subgroup of  $K$ ,  $G \subseteq G_1$ . Let  $\{k_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a nonempty subset of  $G_1$ ,  $k \in K$  and suppose that  $k = \bigvee_{i \in I} k_i$  holds in  $K$ . Then in view of 3.2 we have  $k \in G'$ , hence there is  $g \in G$  with  $k \leq g$ . For each  $i \in I$  there exists a nonempty subset  $X_i$  of  $G$  such that  $\sup X_i = k_i$  is valid in  $K$ . Therefore  $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$  is a subset of  $G$  that is upper bounded by the element  $g \in G$ , and  $\sup X = k$  holds in  $K$ . Hence  $k \in G_1$ , completing the proof.

By a dual argument we can verify that for each  $k \in G_1$  there exists a nonempty subset  $Y$  of  $G$  such that  $k = \inf Y$  is valid in  $K$ .

**3.4. Proposition.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean linearly ordered group. Then  $C(G) = \{d(G)\}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $G$  is archimedean,  $d(G)$  exists by Theorem (B), and  $d(G)$  belongs to  $C(G)$  according to the definition 3.1. Let  $K \in C(G)$  and let  $G_1$  be as in 3.3. Since  $K$  is complete, it follows from 3.3 that  $G_1$  is  $c$ -generated by  $G$ . From this and from  $K \in C(G)$  we obtain  $K = G_1$ . In view of the definition of  $G_1$  and with respect to 3.3 we infer that the condition (ii) from 3.1 is valid. Therefore  $K = d(G)$ .

A generalization of this result will be given below (cf. 4.8).

#### 4. Completions of direct products

Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $X \subseteq G$ . Put

$$X^\delta = X^{\delta(G)} = \{g \in G : |x| \wedge |g| = 0 \text{ for each } x \in X\}.$$

The following results are well known:

- (C) (Cf. Šik [10])  $X^\delta$  is a closed convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$ .
- (D) (Riesz; cf. [3]) If  $G$  is complete, then  $X^\delta$  is a direct factor of  $G$ .

Now let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $H \in C(G)$ ,  $G = A \times B$ . Let  $A_1$  be the set of all elements  $h \in H$  such that there exists a subset  $X \subseteq A$  having the

property that  $\sup X = h$  holds in  $H$ . Next let  $A'$  be the convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$  generated by the set  $A_1$ . Analogously we define  $B_1$  and  $B'$ . It is a routine to verify that  $A'$  can be characterized as the set of all  $h \in H$  that fulfil the following condition:

(c) There are sets  $X \subseteq A^+$  and  $Y \subseteq A^-$  such that (i)  $\sup X$  and  $\inf Y$  do exist in  $H$ , and (ii)  $\inf Y \leq h \leq \sup X$ .

Let  $Z \subseteq A'$ ,  $h \in H$  and suppose that  $\sup_H Z = h$ . Put  $X = \{z \vee 0 : z \in Z\}$ ,  $Y = \{z \wedge 0 : z \in Z\}$ . Then  $\sup_H X = h \vee 0$  and  $\sup_H Y = h \wedge 0$ ,  $X \subseteq A'$ ,  $Y \subseteq A'$ . From the convexity of  $A'$  in  $H$  it follows that  $h \wedge 0 \in A'$ . For each  $x \in X$  there exists a set  $P(x) \subseteq A$  with  $\sup_H P(x) = x$ . Put  $X_1 = \bigcup_{x \in X} P(x)$ . Hence  $\sup_H X = \sup_H X_1 = h \vee 0$ , yielding  $h \vee 0 \in A'$ . By using again the convexity of  $A'$  we obtain  $h \in A'$ . Thus  $A'$  is a closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ . Clearly  $A \subseteq A'$ . Similarly,  $B'$  is a closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$  and  $B \subseteq B'$ . In view of  $G = A \times B$  we have  $|a| \wedge |b| = 0$  for each  $a \in A$  and each  $b \in B$ , hence according to (c) we infer that  $|a'| \wedge |b'| = 0$  is valid for each  $a' \in A'$  and each  $b' \in B'$ . Thus  $a' + b' = b' + a'$  for each  $a' \in A'$  and each  $b' \in B'$ ; moreover,  $A' \cap B' = \{0\}$ . Thus  $A' + B' = A' \times B'$  and  $A' \times B'$  is a closed convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ . Since  $G \subseteq A' \times B'$ , we must have  $H = A' \times B'$ .

If  $0 < a' \in A'$ ,  $b \in B$ , then from (c) it follows that  $a' \wedge |b| = 0$ , hence  $A' \subseteq B^{\delta(H)}$ . Let  $0 \leq y \in B^{\delta(H)}$ . We denote by  $y(A')$  and  $y(B')$  the component of  $y$  in the direct factor  $A'$  or  $B'$ , respectively. Then  $y = y(A') + y(B') = y(A') \vee y(B')$ . From  $y \in B^{\delta(H)}$  and from (c) (applied for  $B'$ ) we obtain  $y(B') = 0$ , hence  $y = y(A') \in A'$ . Thus  $A' = B^{\delta(H)}$ . Similarly,  $B' = A^{\delta(H)}$ . In view of  $H = A' \times B'$  this yields  $A' = (B')^{\delta(H)} = A^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$ .

Let  $A_0$  be the closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$  generated by  $A$  and let  $B_0$  be defined analogously. Put  $C_0 = A_0 + B_0$ . Then  $C_0 = A_0 \times B_0$  and  $C_0$  is a closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ ,  $G \subseteq C_0$ . Hence  $C_0 = H$ . If we have either  $A_0 \neq A'$  or  $B_0 \neq B'$ , then in view of  $H = A' \times B'$  we would have  $C_0 \subset H$ , which is a contradiction. Hence  $A_0 = A'$  and  $B_0 = B'$ .

By summarizing, we obtain

**4.1. Proposition.** *Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = A \times B$ ,  $H \in C(G)$ . Then  $H = A^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \times B^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$ . Moreover,  $A^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \in C(A)$  and  $B^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \in C(B)$ .*

The following assertion is easy to verify:

**4.2. Lemma.** *Let  $G, A, B, H$  be as in 4.1 and let  $g \in G$ . Then  $g(A) = g(A^{\delta(H)\delta(H)})$ .*

By standard induction steps we get from 4.1:

**4.3. Theorem.** *Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$ ,  $H \in C(G)$ . Then  $H = A_1^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \times A_2^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \times \dots \times A_n^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$ . Moreover,  $A_i^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \in C(A_i)$  holds for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .*

The following example shows that this theorem cannot be generalized for direct decompositions having infinitely many direct factors.

**Example 2.** Let  $G, H$  and  $H'$  be as in Example 1. Let  $J$  be an infinite set and for each  $j \in J$  let  $G'_j = H'$ ,  $G_j^0 = G$ . Put  $K_1 = \prod_{j \in J} G'_j$  and let  $K$  be the set of all  $k \in K_1$  having the property that the set  $\{j \in J: k(G'_j) \notin H\}$  is finite. Further let  $G_0 = \prod_{j \in J} G_j^0$ . Then  $K \in C(G_0)$ , but  $K$  cannot be expressed as a direct product  $\prod_{j \in J} (G_j^0)^{\delta(K)\delta(K)}$ .

Nevertheless, from 4.3 we obtain the following

**4.4. Corollary.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = \prod_{j \in J} A_j$ ,  $H \in C(G)$ . Then

- (i) each  $A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  is a direct factor of  $H$ ;
- (ii) if  $i, j \in J$ ,  $i \neq j$ , then  $A_i^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \cap A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} = \{0\}$ ;
- (iii) for each  $j \in J$ ,  $A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \in C(A_j)$ .

For an archimedean lattice ordered group  $G$  we denote by  $C_b(G)$  the class of all  $H \in C(G)$  which have the property that for each  $h \in H$  there exists  $g \in G$  with  $h \leq g$  (in other words, the convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$  generated by  $G$  coincides with  $H$ ). Clearly  $d(G) \in C_b(G)$ .

**4.5. Lemma.** Let  $G, A_j$  ( $j \in J$ ) and  $H$  be as in 4.4. If  $H \in C_b(G)$ , then  $A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)} \in C_b(A_j)$  for each  $j \in J$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $H \in C_b(G)$ . Denote  $B_j = A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$ . Let  $0 \leq b_j \in B_j$ . Then  $b_j \in H$ , hence there is  $g \in G$  with  $b_j \leq g$ . In view of 4.2,  $b_j = b_j(B_j) \leq g(B_j) = g(A_j) \in A_j$ , thus  $B_j \in C_b(A_j)$ .

**4.6. Theorem.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = \prod_{j \in J} A_j$ ,  $H \in C(G)$ . Assume that  $A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  belongs to  $C_b(A_j)$  for each  $j \in J$ . Then  $H = \prod_{j \in J} A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$ .

*Proof.* In view of 4.4 it suffices to verify that the following conditions are valid (we use the denotation  $B_j = A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  as above):

- a) if  $0 \leq b_j \in B_j$  for each  $j \in J$ , then  $\sup_H \{b_j\}_{j \in J}$  does exist;
- b) if  $0 \leq h \in H$ , then  $h = \bigvee_{j \in J} h(B_j)$ .

Let  $0 \leq b_j \in B_j$  ( $j \in J$ ). Because of  $B_j \in C_b(A_j)$  there exist elements  $a_j \in A_j$  with  $0 \leq b_j \leq a_j$  for each  $j \in J$ . Further there exists  $g \in G$  such that  $g(A_j) = a_j$  holds for each  $j \in J$ . In view of  $g(A_j) = g(B_j)$  (cf. 4.2) we have  $b_j \leq g$  for all  $j \in J$ . Hence there exists  $\sup_H \{b_j\}_{j \in J}$ ; thus a) is valid.

Let  $0 \leq h \in H$ . Put  $h(B_j) = b_j$  for each  $j \in J$  and let  $g$  be as in a). Then in  $H$  we have  $g = \bigvee_{j \in J} a_j$ , hence

$$h = h \wedge g = \bigvee_{j \in J} (h \wedge a_j).$$

Since  $h \wedge a_j \in B_j$  and  $h \wedge a_j \leq h$ , we get  $h \wedge a_j \leq h(B_j)$ . Therefore  $h = \bigvee_{j \in J} h(B_j)$ .



**4.7. Corollary.** Let  $G$ ,  $A_j$  ( $j \in J$ ) and  $Z$  be as in 4.4. Then the following conditions are equivalent: (i)  $H \in C_b(G)$ ; (ii) for each  $j \in J$ ,  $A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  belongs to  $C_b(A_j)$ .

Proof. (i) implies (ii) by 4.5. Let (ii) be valid. Then from the condition b) in 4.6 we obtain that (i) holds.

**4.8. Corollary.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = \prod_{j \in J} A_j$ . Assume that all  $A_j$  are linearly ordered. Let  $H \in C(G)$ . Then  $H = \prod_{j \in J} d(A_j)$ .

Proof. This follows from 3.4, 4.4 and 4.6.

Now let us consider the question what the structure of  $H$  is if  $G$  and  $H$  are as in 4.4 and if we do not assume that  $H \in C_b(G)$ .

**4.9. Lemma.** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be as in 4.4,  $B_j = A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  and let  $0 < h \in H$ . Then there exists  $j \in J$  with  $h(B_j) > 0$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $h(B_j) = 0$  for each  $j \in J$  (under the denotation as above). Then for each  $j \in J$  and each  $0 \leq b_j \in B_j$ , we have  $h \wedge b_j = 0$ . Let  $0 \leq g \in G$ . Since  $g = \bigvee_{j \in J} g(A_j) = \bigvee_{j \in J} g(B_j)$ , we get  $h \wedge g = 0$ , hence  $G \subseteq \{h\}^{\delta(H)} \subset H$ . Since  $\{h\}^{\delta(H)}$  is a closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ , we have a contradiction.

**4.10. Lemma.** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be as in 4.4,  $B_j = A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  and let  $0 \leq h \in H$ . Then  $h = \bigvee_{j \in J} h(B_j)$ .

Proof. Since  $H$  is complete, there exists  $h_1 = \bigvee_{j \in J} h(B_j)$  in  $H$  and  $h_1 \leq h$ . If  $j \in J$  and  $(h - h_1)(B_j) > 0$ , then  $h(B_j) < h(B_j) + (h - h_1)(B_j) \leq h_1 + (h - h_1) = h$  and  $h(B_j) + (h - h_1)(B_j) \in B_j$ , which is impossible. Therefore  $(h - h_1)(B_j) = 0$  for each  $j \in J$ . Thus in view of 4.9,  $h = h_1$ .

The notion of the completely subdirect product of lattice ordered groups has been introduced by Šik [11]; cf. also [8], §3.

From 4.4, 4.9 and 4.10 we obtain:

**4.11. Theorem.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = \prod_{j \in J} A_j$ ,  $H \in C(G)$ . Then  $H$  is a completely subdirect product of lattice ordered groups  $A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  ( $j \in J$ ).

**4.12. Corollary.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = \prod_{j \in J} A_j$ . If the class  $C(A_j)$  is a set for each  $j \in J$ , then  $C(G)$  is a set as well.

**4.13. Proposition.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = \prod_{j \in J} A_j$ . For each  $j \in J$ , let  $B_j \in C(A_j)$ ,  $B = \prod_{j \in J} B_j$ . Then  $B \in C(G)$ .

Proof. Since  $B$  is a direct product of complete lattice ordered groups,  $B$  is complete as well.  $G$  is an  $l$ -subgroup of  $B$ . For each  $j \in J$ ,  $B_j$  is the closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $B$  generated by  $A_j$ . Let  $C$  be the closed  $l$ -subgroup of  $B$  generated by  $G$ . Then  $B_j \subseteq C$  for each  $j \in J$ . Let  $0 \leq b \in B$ . We have  $b = \bigvee_{j \in J} b(B_j)$  and  $b(B_j) \in C$  for each  $j \in J$ , whence  $b \in C$ ; thus  $B^+ \subseteq C$ . From this it follows that  $B = C$ . Therefore  $B \in C(G)$ .

**4.14. Corollary.** *Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group,  $G = \prod_{j \in J} A_j$ ,  $H \in C(G)$ . Then  $\prod_{j \in J} A_j^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}$  belongs to  $C(G)$ .*

This follows from 4.1 and 4.13.

## 5. The class $C_0(G)$

Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group. We denote by  $C_0(G)$  the class of all completions  $H$  of  $G$  such that each element  $h \in H$  with  $h \geq 0$  is a join of a subset of  $G$ . This class  $C_0(G)$  is nonempty, since the Dedekind completion  $d(G)$  belongs to  $C_0(G)$ . The class  $C_0(G)$  need not coincide with  $C(G)$  (this is a consequence of 2.2).

A subset  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$  of  $G$  is said to be disjoint if  $x_i \geq 0$  for each  $i \in I$  and  $x_i \wedge x_j = 0$  for each pair of distinct elements  $i, j \in I$ . The lattice ordered group  $G$  is said to be laterally complete if each disjoint subset of  $G$  possesses the join in  $G$ .

We shall apply the following result (cf. [5]):

(D) Let  $K$  be a complete lattice ordered group. There exists a complete lattice ordered group  $K_1$  such that

- (i)  $K_1$  is laterally complete;
- (ii)  $K$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $K_1$ ;
- (iii) for each  $0 < k_1 \in K_1$  there exists a disjoint subset  $X$  of  $K$  such that  $\sup X = k_1$  holds in  $K_1$ .

It is easy to verify that  $K_1$  is defined uniquely up to isomorphism.  $K_1$  is said to be the lateral completion of  $K$  and we write  $K_1 = l(K)$ . Clearly  $K_1 \in C(K)$ . (Lateral completions of lattice ordered groups that are not assumed to be complete have been investigated by several authors, e.g. [1].)

In this paragraph it will be shown that for each  $H \in C_0(G)$  the relation

$$d(G) \cong_1 H \cong_1 l(d(G))$$

is valid.

The following lemma shows that the definition of  $C_0(G)$  is in a certain sense self-dual.

**5.1. Lemma.** *Let  $H \in C_0(G)$ ,  $0 > h \in H$ . Then there is a subset  $S \subset G$  such that  $h = \inf S$  holds in  $H$ .*

*Proof.* There is  $0 \leq g \in G$ . We have  $0 < g - h$ , hence there exists  $S_1 \subset G$  with  $\sup_H S_1 = g - h$ . Thus  $\inf_H (-S_1) = h - g$  and this yields  $\inf_H (-S_1 + g) = h$ . Clearly  $-S_1 + g \subset G$ .

**5.2. Lemma.** *Let  $H \in C_0(G)$ . Then  $G$  is an  $rl$ -subgroup of  $H$ .*

*Proof.* It is easy to verify that  $G$  is regular with respect to joins if and only if it is regular with respect to meets. Suppose that  $G$  fails to be regular in  $H$ . Then there is  $S_1 \subset G$  such that

$$h_1 = \inf_H S_1 > g = \inf_G S_1.$$

Put  $S_1 - g = S$ ,  $h = h_1 - g$ . Then  $0 = \inf_G S < h = \inf_H S$ . There exists  $T \subset G$  with  $\sup_H T = h$ . Since  $h > 0$ , there is  $t \in T$  with  $t \not\leq 0$ . Thus  $t_1 = t \vee 0 > 0$ ,  $t_1 \leq h$ ,  $t_1 \in G$ . Further we have  $t_1 \leq s$  for each  $s \in S$ , hence  $\inf_G S \neq 0$ , which is a contradiction.

**5.2.1. Corollary.**  $G$  is an  $rl$ -subgroup of  $d(G)$ .

**5.3. Lemma.** Let  $H \in C_0(G)$ . Let  $G_1$  be the convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$  generated by  $G$ . Then  $G_1 = d(G)$ .

*Proof.*  $G_1$  is a complete lattice ordered group and  $G$  is an  $l$ -subgroup of  $G_1$ . Let  $x \in G_1$ . There exists  $g \in G$  with  $-(0 \wedge x) \leq g$ . Since  $-(0 \wedge x) = (x \vee 0) - x$ , we have  $x + g \geq x \vee 0 \geq 0$ . Thus there is  $S \subseteq G$  with  $\sup_H S = x + g$ . Therefore  $\sup_H S_1 = x$ , where  $S_1 = S - g \subseteq G$ . Analogously we can verify that there exists  $S_2 \subseteq G$  with  $\inf_H S_2 = x$ . Clearly  $\sup_H S_1 = \sup_{G_1} S_1$  and  $\inf_H S_2 = \inf_{G_1} S_2$ . Therefore  $G_1 = d(G)$ .

**5.4. Corollary.** Let  $H \in C_0(G)$ . Then  $d(G) \leq_1 H$ .

**5.5. Proposition.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group. Let  $H \in C_0(G)$ ,  $0 \leq h \in H$ . Then there exists a disjoint system  $S$  of elements of  $d(G)$  such that  $\sup_H S = h$ .

Before proving 5.5 we need some auxiliary results. In 5.6—5.9 we assume that  $H$  is a complete lattice ordered group. For  $X \subset H$  we denote

$$[X] = X^{\delta(H)\delta(H)}.$$

For  $x \in H$  we write  $[x]$  instead of  $[\{x\}]$ . Let  $0 \leq x \in H$ . For each  $0 \leq y \in [x]$  we have  $y = \bigvee (nx \wedge y)$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) (cf. e.g., [12]; in [12] vector lattices are investigated, but the proof remains valid for complete lattice ordered groups as well). From this it follows that

$$z[x] = \bigvee_n (nx \wedge z[x]) = \bigvee_n (nx[x] \wedge z[x]) = \bigvee_n ((nx \wedge z)[x]) = \bigvee_n (nx \wedge z)$$

is valid for each  $0 \leq z \in H$ .

**5.6. Lemma.** Let  $I$  be a nonempty set,  $0 \leq x_i \in H$  for each  $i \in I$ ,  $\sup_H x_i = x$ ,  $0 \leq y \in H$ . Then  $y[x] = \bigvee_{i \in I} y[x_i]$ .

*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{aligned} y[x] &= \bigvee_n (y \wedge nx) = \bigvee_n (y \wedge n \bigvee_{i \in I} x_i) = \bigvee_n \bigvee_{i \in I} (y \wedge nx_i) = \\ &= \bigvee_{i \in I} \bigvee_n (y \wedge nx_i) = \bigvee_{i \in I} y[x_i]. \end{aligned}$$

**5.7. Lemma.** Let  $0 < a \in H$  and let  $0(a)$  be the set of all elements  $a_i \in H$  having the property that there exists  $a'_i \in H$  with  $a_i \wedge a'_i = 0$ ,  $a_i \vee a'_i = a$ . Then (i)  $0(a)$  is a Boolean algebra, and (ii)  $0(a)$  is a closed sublattice of  $H$ .

The first assertion follows immediately from the definition of  $0(a)$ . The second assertion is a consequence of the infinite distributivity of  $H$ .

The following further properties of the elements of  $0(a)$  are easy to verify:

Let  $a_i, a_j \in 0(a)$ ,  $c \in H$ . Then we have

$$a_i[a_j] = a_i \wedge a_j, \quad a_i[c] \in 0(a), \quad (c[a_i])[a_j] = c[a_i \wedge a_j].$$

Now let  $0 < a \in H$ ,  $0 < b \in H$ . Put

$$A^0 = \{a_i \in 0(a) : a_i = 0 \text{ or } b[a_i] > 0\}, \quad a^0 = \sup_H A^0.$$

For each positive integer  $n$  we denote

$$A_n^0 = \{a_i \in A^0 : na_i \geq b[a_i]\}, \quad a_n^0 = \sup_H A_n^0.$$

Then from 5.7 we obtain that  $a_n^0$  belongs to  $0(a)$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . We also have  $a_1^0 \leq a_2^0 \leq \dots \leq a$ . For each positive integer  $n$  we put  $a_n^1 = a^0 - a_n^0$ . This yields  $a_n^1 \wedge a_n^0 = 0$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

**5.8. Lemma.** *Let  $0 < a_i \in 0(a)$ ,  $a_i \leq a_n^1$ . Then  $na_i < b[a_i]$ .*

*Proof.* If  $b[a_i] - na_i = 0$ , then  $a_i \leq a_n^0$ , which is impossible. Thus  $b[a_i] - na_i \neq 0$ . Suppose that  $b[a_i] - na_i \neq 0$ . Hence  $(b[a_i] - na_i)^- = z > 0$ . Clearly  $z \in [a_i]$ . Hence  $a_i[z] = a_j \in 0(a)$  and  $[z] = [a_j]$ . Thus  $0 < a_j \leq a_i \leq a_n^1$  and  $(b[a_i] - na_i)^+ \wedge z = 0$ . From this it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq (b[a_j] - na_j)^+ = (b[a_j] - na[a_j])^+ = (b - na)^+[a_j] = \\ &= ((b - na)^+[a_i])[a_j] = (b[a_i] - na_i)^+[a_j] = (b[a_i] - na_i)^+[z] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

whence  $(b[a_j] - na_j)^+ = 0$ , implying  $b[a_j] \leq na_j$ . Hence  $a_j \leq a_n^0$ ,  $a_n^0 \wedge a_n^1 > 0$ , which is a contradiction.

**5.9. Lemma.**  $\bigwedge_n a_n^1 = 0$ .

*Proof.* By way of contradiction, assume that there is  $0 < x \in H$  such that  $x \leq a_n^1$  holds for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then according to 5.8 we have  $nx \leq b[a_n^1] \leq b$  for each positive integer  $n$ . This is impossible, because  $H$  is archimedean.

Put  $a_1 = a_n^1$ , and define by induction  $a_n = a_n^0 - a_{n-1}$  for each  $n > 1$ . Then we have

$$(2) \quad a_n^0 = a_1 \vee a_2 \vee \dots \vee a_n$$

for each positive integer  $n$ , and

$$(3) \quad a_n \wedge a_m = 0$$

for each pair of distinct positive integers  $n, m$ . Moreover, for each  $0 < a_i \leq a_n$  we have  $na_i \geq b[a_i]$  and  $(n-1)a_i < b[a_i]$ . Put  $a'_0 = \bigvee_n a_n^0$ . Then  $a'_0 \in 0(a)$  and clearly  $a'_0 \leq a_0$ . If we had  $a'_0 < a_0$ , then there would be  $a_i \in 0(a)$  with  $0 < a_i \leq a_0 - a'_0$  and

hence  $a_i \leq a_n^1$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , contradicting 5.9. Hence  $\bigvee_n a_n^0 = a_0$ . From this and from (2) we obtain

$$(4) \quad \bigvee_n a_n = a_0.$$

From the definition of  $a_0$  we get  $b[a] = a_0$ , hence according to (4) and in view of 5.6

$$(5) \quad b[a] = b[a_0] = \bigvee_n b[a_n].$$

In view of (3) the system  $\{b[a_n]\}_{n=1,2,\dots}$  is disjoint; moreover,

$$(6) \quad b[a_n] \leq na_n \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

**Proof of Proposition 5.5:**

Let  $0 < h \in H$ . There exists a subset  $X \subset G^+$  such that  $\sup X = h$  is valid in  $H$ . From this we infer by using the Axiom of Choice that there exists a disjoint subset  $\{y_j\}_{j \in J}$  of strictly positive elements of  $[X]$  such that (i)  $y_j \in G$  for each  $j \in J$ , and (ii) if  $z \in [X]^+$ ,  $z \wedge y_j = 0$  for each  $j \in J$ , then  $z = 0$ . Thus  $[X] = [\{y_j\}_{j \in J}]$ . Because of  $h \in [X]$  we have also  $h \in [\{y_j\}_{j \in J}] = \bigvee_{j \in J} [y_j]$ , hence  $h = \bigvee_{j \in J} h[y_j]$ .

Let  $j \in J$  be fixed. Put  $y_j = a$ ,  $h[y_j] = b$  and let us write  $a_{nj}$  instead of  $a_n$ . Then according to (5) and (6)

$$h[y_j] = \bigvee_n (h[y_j])[a_{nj}], \quad (h[y_j])[a_{nj}] \leq na_{nj} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$$

hence by 5.2 and 5.3  $(h[y_j])[a_{nj}] \in d(G)$ . Further we have

$$h = \bigvee_{j \in J} \bigvee_n (h[y_j])[a_{nj}]$$

and the system  $\{(h[y_j])[a_{nj}]\}_{(j \in J, n = 1, 2, \dots)}$  is disjoint. The proof is complete.

In 5.10—5.16 we assume that  $K$  and  $H$  are complete lattice ordered groups such that (i)  $K$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ , and (ii) for each  $0 < h \in H$  there exists a disjoint subset  $X$  in  $K$  with  $\sup_H X = h$ .

Let us denote  $H' = l(K)$ . For distinguishing the lattice operations in  $H$  and in  $H'$  we shall denote the lattice operations in  $H'$  by  $\wedge'$  and  $\vee'$ , while  $\wedge$ ,  $\vee$  are lattice operations in  $H$ . (If  $x, y \in K$ , then  $x \wedge y = x \wedge' y$  and  $x \vee y = x \vee' y$ .)

Suppose that both  $\{a_i\}_{i \in I}$  and  $\{b_j\}_{j \in J}$  are disjoint subsets of  $K$ .

**5.10. Lemma.** *Assume that  $h' \in H'$ ,  $h' = \bigvee'_{i \in I} a_i$  and that  $\bigvee_{i \in I} a_i = \bigvee_{j \in J} b_j$ . Then  $h' = \bigvee'_{j \in J} b_j$ .*

**Proof.** From  $\bigvee_{i \in I} a_i = \bigvee_{j \in J} b_j$  it follows that

$$(7) \quad a_i = \bigvee_{j \in J} (a_i \wedge b_j) \text{ for each } i \in I,$$

$$(8) \quad b_j = \bigvee_{i \in I} (b_j \wedge a_i) \text{ for each } j \in J.$$

Since  $K$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ , we obtain

$$(7') \quad a_i = \bigvee'_{j \in J} (a_i \wedge b_j) \text{ for each } i \in I,$$

$$(8') \quad b_j = \bigvee'_{i \in I} (b_j \wedge a_i) \text{ for each } j \in J.$$

According to (8'),  $b_j \leq h'$  is valid for each  $j \in J$ , hence (in view of the lateral completeness of  $H'$ ) there is  $h_1 \in H'$  with  $h_1 \leq h'$  such that

$$(9) \quad h_1 = \bigvee'_{j \in J} b_j.$$

From (9) and (7') we get  $h' \leq h_1$ , thus  $h_1 = h'$ .

If  $\{a_i\}_{i \in I}$  are as in 5.10 and if  $h = \bigvee_{i \in I} a_i$ , then we put  $\varphi(h) = \bigvee'_{i \in I} a_i$ . From 5.10 it follows that  $\varphi$  is a correctly defined mapping of the set  $H^+$  into  $(H')^+$ .

**5.11. Lemma.** *Let  $h, h_1 \in H^+$ ,  $h = \bigvee_{i \in I} a_i$ ,  $h_1 = \bigvee_{j \in J} b_j$ . Then  $h_1 \leq h \Leftrightarrow \varphi(h_1) \leq \varphi(h)$ .*

*Proof.* We have

$$h_1 \leq h \Leftrightarrow (8') \Leftrightarrow (8) \Leftrightarrow \varphi(h_1) \leq \varphi(h).$$

**5.12. Corollary.**  *$\varphi$  is a monomorphism, and  $\varphi(H^+)$  is an upper directed subset of  $H'$ .*

**5.13. Lemma.**  *$\varphi(H^+)$  is a convex sublattice of  $H'$ .*

*Proof.* It is obvious that 0 is the least element of  $\varphi(H^+)$ . Hence in view of 5.12 it suffices to verify that if  $p \in \varphi(H^+)$  and  $p_1 \in H'$ ,  $0 \leq p_1 \leq p$ , then  $p \in \varphi(H^+)$ . Assume that  $h \in H^+$ ,  $\varphi(h) = p$ ,  $h = \bigvee_{i \in I} a_i$ . Let  $0 \leq p_1 \leq p$ . Then there is a disjoint subset  $\{b_j\}_{j \in J}$  in  $K$  with  $p_1 = \bigvee'_{j \in J} b_j$ . In view of  $p = \bigvee'_{i \in I} a_i$  the relation (8') holds, thus  $\{b_j\}_{j \in J}$  is upper bounded in  $H$ ; hence there exists  $h_1 \in H$  such that (9) is valid. Therefore  $p_1 = \varphi(h_1) \in \varphi(H^+)$ .

Clearly  $\varphi(k) = k$  for each  $k \in K^+$ .

**5.14. Lemma.** *Let  $X \subseteq K^+$ ,  $\sup_H X = h$ . Then  $\sup_{H'} \varphi(X) = \varphi(h)$ .*

*Proof.* According to the assumption there exists a disjoint subset  $X_1$  of  $K$  such that  $\sup_H X_1 = h$ . Then  $\varphi(h) = \sup_{H'} X_1$ . Since  $x \leq h$  and  $\varphi(x) = x$  for each  $x \in X$ , in view of 5.11 we have  $x \leq \varphi(h)$  for each  $x \in X$ . Thus there exists  $\sup_{H'} X = q$  and  $q \leq \varphi(h)$ . From 5.13 it follows that there exists  $h_1 \in H^+$  with  $\varphi(h_1) = q$ . By using 5.11 again we get  $h_1 \leq h$ ; moreover, from the fact that  $\varphi(x) = x \leq \varphi(h_1)$  we infer that  $x \leq h_1$  holds for each  $x \in X$ , yielding  $h \leq h_1$ . Thus  $h = h_1$ , completing the proof.

**5.15. Lemma.** *Let  $h, h_1 \in H^+$ . Then  $\varphi(h + h_1) = \varphi(h) + \varphi(h_1)$ .*

*Proof.* There are sets  $X, X_1 \subseteq K^+$  with  $\sup_H X = h$ ,  $\sup_H X_1 = h_1$ . Then we have

$$\sup_H (X + X_1) = h + h_1.$$

In view of 5.14 we obtain

$$\varphi(h + h_1) = \sup_{H'} (X + X_1) = \sup_{H'} X + \sup_{H'} X_1 = \varphi(h) + \varphi(h_1).$$

We have proved that  $\varphi(H^+)$  is a convex sublattice and a subsemigroup of  $(H')^+$  isomorphic with  $H^+$ . From this there follows by routine calculations the

**5.16. Corollary.**  $\varphi(H^+) - \varphi(H^+)$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H'$  isomorphic with  $H$ .

**5.17. Theorem.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group and let  $H \in C_0(G)$ . Then there exists an isomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $H$  into  $l(d(G))$  such that (i)  $\varphi(x) = x$  for each  $x \in d(G)$ , and (ii)  $\varphi(H)$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $l(d(G))$ .

Proof. This is a consequence of 5.3, 5.5 and 5.16.

**5.18. Corollary.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group. Then  $l(d(G)) \in C_0(G)$  and  $H \cong_1 l(d(G))$  is valid for each  $H \in C_0(G)$ .

If  $H$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $l(d(G))$  with  $G \subseteq H$ , then obviously  $H \in C_0(G)$ . Hence from 5.17 we obtain (in view of identifying certain elements of  $C(G)$ , cf. the end of § 1):

**5.19. Corollary.** Let  $G$  be an archimedean lattice ordered group. Then  $C_0(G)$  is the set of all convex  $l$ -subgroups  $H$  of  $l(d(G))$  having the property that  $G \subseteq H$ .

Our concluding remark concerns the question in what way we can search to generalize the above consideration for lattice ordered groups that need not be archimedean. For a lattice ordered group  $H$  we denote by  $H_D$  the extension of  $H$  described in [3], Chap. V, § 10. (The construction of  $H_D$  is due to C. J. Everett.) If  $H$  is archimedean, then the following conditions are equivalent: (a)  $H_D = H$ ; (b)  $H$  is complete. Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group (here we do not assume that  $G$  is archimedean). Let  $C_1(G)$  be the class of all lattice ordered groups  $H$  such that (i)  $H_D = H$ ; (ii)  $G$  is an  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ ; (iii)  $H$  is  $c$ -generated by  $G$ . The quasiorders  $\cong_1$  and  $\cong_2$  in the class  $C_1(G)$  can be defined analogously as we did for  $C(G)$ . The following problem remains open: Which results concerning  $C(G)$  can be extended for  $C_1(G)$ ?

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## ПОПОЛНЕНИЯ СТРУКТУРНО УПОРЯДОЧЕННЫХ ГРУПП

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Резюме

В этой статье исследуется класс  $C(G)$  всех пополнений архимедовой структурно упорядоченной группы  $G$ . Доказано, что в  $C(G)$  может отсутствовать наибольший элемент и что  $C(G)$  может быть собственным классом. Если  $G$  — полное прямое произведение линейно упорядоченных групп, то  $\text{card } C(G) = 1$ . Рассмотрены соотношения между прямыми разложениями  $G$  и прямыми разложениями структурно упорядоченных групп, принадлежащих  $C(G)$ .