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GENERALIZATIONS OF PSEUDO MV-ALGEBRAS AND
GENERALIZED PSEUDO EFFECT ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. We deal with unbounded dually residuated lattices that generalize pseudo MV -algebras in such a way that every principal order-ideal is a pseudo MV -algebra. We describe the connections of these *generalized pseudo MV -algebras* to generalized pseudo effect algebras, which allows us to represent every generalized pseudo MV -algebra A by means of the positive cone of a suitable ℓ -group G_A . We prove that the lattice of all (normal) ideals of A and the lattice of all (normal) convex ℓ -subgroups of G_A are isomorphic. We also introduce the concept of Archimedeaness and show that every Archimedean generalized pseudo MV -algebra is commutative.

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INTRODUCTION

The recent research on algebras connected to fuzzy logic is concerned, among others, with their non-commutative generalizations, i.e., the truth functions of strong conjunction and disjunction are not assumed to be commutative. This began with pseudo MV -algebras (see [12], [24]), a non-commutative version of the well-known MV -algebras which are the algebraic semantics of the Łukasiewicz many valued propositional calculus.

Pseudo MV -algebras can be equivalently treated as bounded dually residuated lattices ($DR\ell$ -monoids) satisfying simple additional identities, and it is therefore natural to view certain $DR\ell$ -monoids as “unbounded” pseudo MV -algebras. Of course, this can be equally done in the setting of residuated lattices, but we favour

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dually residuated ones since the initial definition of pseudo MV -algebras is closer to dually residuated lattices.

In [20] we studied many properties of the lattice of all ideals (= convex subalgebras) of these $DR\ell$ -monoids which turned out to be markedly similar to the properties of ideal lattices of pseudo MV -algebras. Taking into account the fact that the ideal lattice of any pseudo MV -algebra is isomorphic to the lattice of all convex ℓ -subgroups of a suitable ℓ -group, the question arises whether the same holds for our “unbounded“ pseudo MV -algebras. In the present paper, we give the affirmative answer by means of the so-called generalized pseudo effect algebras (see [10]) that are an extension of effect algebras provided we drop the commutativity of the partial addition as well as the existence of a greatest element.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 1 we recall the basic properties of pseudo MV -algebras and dually residuated ℓ -monoids. We also prove that every generalized pseudo MV -algebra ($GPMV$ -algebra) embeds into an ultraproduct of a family of pseudo MV -algebras. Section 2 is devoted to the relations between our $GPMV$ -algebras and generalized pseudo effect algebras, which allows us to give a representation of $GPMV$ -algebras as lattice ideals in the positive cones of ℓ -groups. In Section 3 we prove that the lattice of (normal) ideals of every $GPMV$ -algebra is isomorphic to the lattice of all (normal) convex ℓ -subgroups of some ℓ -group. This is applied in Section 4 to obtain simple alternative proofs of our earlier results from [20]. Finally, in Section 5 we deal with the Archimedean property of $GPMV$ -algebras.

1. PSEUDO MV -ALGEBRAS AND DUALY RESIDUATED LATTICES

Definition 1.1. A *pseudo MV -algebra* is an algebra $(A, \oplus, ^-, \sim, 0, 1)$ of type $(2, 1, 1, 0, 0)$ that satisfies the identities

$$(A1) \quad x \oplus (y \oplus z) = (x \oplus y) \oplus z,$$

$$(A2) \quad x \oplus 0 = x = 0 \oplus x,$$

$$(A3) \quad x \oplus 1 = 1 = 1 \oplus x,$$

$$(A4) \quad 1^- = 0 = 1^\sim,$$

$$(A5) \quad (x^- \oplus y^-)^\sim = (x^\sim \oplus y^\sim)^-,$$

$$(A6) \quad x \oplus (y \odot x^\sim) = y \oplus (x \odot y^\sim) = (y^- \odot x) \oplus y = (x^- \odot y) \oplus x,$$

$$(A7) \quad (x^- \oplus y) \odot x = y \odot (x \oplus y^\sim),$$

$$(A8) \quad (x^-)^\sim = x,$$

where the supplementary binary operation \odot is defined by¹

$$x \odot y := (x^- \oplus y^-)^\sim.$$

¹ In [12], $x \odot y$ was defined as $(y^- \oplus x^-)^\sim$.

As we have pointed out at the beginning, pseudo MV -algebras were introduced by G. Georgescu and A. Iorgulescu [12] and independently by J. Rachůnek [24] as a non-commutative generalization of MV -algebras. Actually, if the addition \oplus is commutative then the unary operations $-$ and \sim coincide and the resulting algebra becomes an MV -algebra.

The above definition is that by G. Georgescu and A. Iorgulescu, while J. Rachůnek's one arising from C. C. Chang's original definition of MV -algebras was more complicated. Nevertheless, both concepts are equivalent.

Like MV -algebras, pseudo MV -algebras are very close to ℓ -groups:

Example 1.2. Let $(G, +, -, 0, \vee, \wedge)$ be an ℓ -group and $u \in G$ an order-unit.² Then $\Gamma(G, u) := ([0, u], \oplus, -, \sim, 0, u)$ is a pseudo MV -algebra, where $[0, u] = \{x \in G : 0 \leq x \leq u\}$ and

$$x \oplus y := (x + y) \wedge u, \quad x^- := u - x \quad \text{and} \quad x^\sim := -x + u$$

for $x, y \in [0, u]$.

A. Dvurečenskij [5] enhanced D. Mundici's famous result on MV -algebras and Abelian ℓ -groups [23] and proved that every pseudo MV -algebra is obtained in that form; i.e., for every pseudo MV -algebra A there exists an ℓ -group G with an order-unit u such that A and $\Gamma(G, u)$ are isomorphic.

As proved in [24], pseudo MV -algebras can be considered as a particular case of the so-called $DR\ell$ -monoids that were introduced and studied by K. L. N. Swamy [26] as a common abstraction of Abelian ℓ -groups and Boolean algebras. The definition we use here is adopted from T. Kovář's thesis [21].

First of all, by an ℓ -monoid we mean an algebra $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge)$, where $(A, \oplus, 0)$ is a monoid, (A, \vee, \wedge) is a lattice and \oplus distributes over \vee , i.e., A fulfils the equations

$$(x \vee y) \oplus z = (x \oplus z) \vee (y \oplus z), \quad x \oplus (y \vee z) = (x \oplus y) \vee (x \oplus z).$$

Definition 1.3. An algebra $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \oslash)$ of type $\langle 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2 \rangle$ is called a *dually residuated ℓ -monoid* or briefly a *DR ℓ -monoid* if

- (a) $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge)$ is an ℓ -monoid;
- (b) for any $x, y \in A$, $x \otimes y$ is the least element $z \in A$ such that $z \oplus y \geq x$, and $x \oslash y$ is the least element $z \in A$ such that $y \oplus z \geq x$;

² We call $u \geq 0$ an *order-unit* of G if for every $x \in G$ there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $-nu \leq x \leq nu$; this is equivalent to saying that the convex ℓ -subgroup of G generated by u is G .

(c) A satisfies the identities

$$\begin{aligned} ((x \otimes y) \vee 0) \oplus y &\leq x \vee y, & y \oplus ((x \otimes y) \vee 0) &\leq x \vee y, \\ x \otimes x &\geq 0, & x \otimes x &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

A $DR\ell$ -monoid is called *lower bounded* provided 0 is its least element. A *bounded $DR\ell$ -monoid* is an algebra $(A, \oplus, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \oslash, 0, 1)$ such that $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \oslash)$ is a $DR\ell$ -monoid with a greatest element 1 .

Lemma 1.4. *The following assertions hold in any $DR\ell$ -monoid:*

- (1) $x \oplus y \geq z$ iff $x \geq z \otimes y$ iff $y \geq z \otimes x$,
- (2) $x \vee y = ((x \otimes y) \vee 0) \oplus y = y \oplus ((x \otimes y) \vee 0)$,
- (3) $x \otimes 0 = x \otimes 0 = x$, $x \otimes x = x \otimes x = 0$,
- (4) $(x \vee y) \otimes z = (x \otimes z) \vee (y \otimes z)$, $(x \vee y) \otimes z = (x \otimes z) \vee (y \otimes z)$,
- (5) $x \otimes (y \wedge z) = (x \otimes y) \vee (x \otimes z)$, $x \otimes (y \wedge z) = (x \otimes y) \vee (x \otimes z)$,
- (6) $x \otimes (y \oplus z) = (x \otimes z) \otimes y$, $x \otimes (y \oplus z) = (x \otimes y) \otimes z$,
- (7) $(x \otimes y) \otimes z = (x \otimes z) \otimes y$,
- (8) $(x \otimes y) \oplus (y \otimes z) \geq x \otimes z$, $(y \otimes z) \oplus (x \otimes y) \geq x \otimes z$,
- (9) $(x \oplus z) \otimes (y \oplus z) \leq x \otimes y$, $(x \oplus y) \otimes (x \oplus z) \leq y \otimes z$.

Remark 1.5. Seeing the definition and basic properties of $DR\ell$ -monoids, it should be evident that our $DR\ell$ -monoids are dual to residuated lattices satisfying the divisibility identities. To be more precise, a *residuated lattice* is an algebra $(L, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, e)$, where (L, \vee, \wedge) is a lattice, (L, \cdot, e) is a monoid and

$$x \cdot y \leq z \quad \text{iff} \quad x \leq y \rightarrow z \quad \text{iff} \quad y \leq x \rightsquigarrow z$$

for all $x, y, z \in L$. If, moreover, e is the greatest element of L then L is called an *integral residuated lattice*. A residuated lattice that fulfils the divisibility identities

$$x \wedge y = ((y \rightarrow x) \wedge e) \cdot y = y \cdot ((y \rightsquigarrow x) \wedge e)$$

is called a *GBL-algebra* (see [11], [17]).

It is plain that given any $DR\ell$ -monoid $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \oslash)$, then the dual structure $(A, \sqcup, \sqcap, \cdot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, e)$ defined by $x \sqcup y := x \wedge y$, $x \sqcap y := x \vee y$, $x \cdot y := x \oplus y$, $x \rightarrow y := y \otimes x$, $x \rightsquigarrow y := y \otimes x$ and $e := 0$ is a *GBL-algebra*.

The converse need not be evident at once. As known, the multiplication in residuated lattices distributes over joins and it can be proved that in the case of *GBL-algebras* it distributes over meets, too. This was shown in [7] for integral *GBL-algebras*, but with minor modifications the proof still works for arbitrary *GBL-algebras*. Finally, any *GBL-algebra* verifies $x \rightarrow x = x \rightsquigarrow x = e$ (see [11]), and

therefore, if $(L, \vee, \wedge, \cdot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, e)$ is a *GBL*-algebra then defining $x \oplus y := x \cdot y$, $0 := e$, $x \sqcup y := x \wedge y$, $x \sqcap y := x \vee y$, $x \otimes y := y \rightarrow x$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y := y \otimes x$ we get a *DRℓ*-monoid $(A, \oplus, 0, \sqcup, \sqcap, \otimes, \rightsquigarrow)$.

Altogether, the class of *DRℓ*-monoids is termwise equivalent to the class of *GBL*-algebras.

Now, we turn back to pseudo *MV*-algebras. Let $(A, \oplus, ^-, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ be a pseudo *MV*-algebra and define

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} x \vee y &:= x \oplus (y \otimes x^\sim) = (x^- \otimes y) \oplus x, \\ x \wedge y &:= x \otimes (y \oplus x^\sim) = (x^- \oplus y) \otimes x, \\ x \otimes y &:= y^- \otimes x, \\ x \rightsquigarrow y &:= x \otimes y^\sim. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that for $A = \Gamma(G, u)$ the lattice operations \vee and \wedge in A given by (1.1) are the restrictions of those in G to the interval $[0, u]$ and we have $x \otimes y = (x - y) \vee 0$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y = (-y + x) \vee 0$. A straightforward verification yields that $(A, \oplus, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ is a bounded *DRℓ*-monoid satisfying

$$(1.2) \quad x \wedge y = x \otimes (x \otimes y) = x \otimes (x \rightsquigarrow y),$$

and conversely, given a bounded *DRℓ*-monoid that fulfils (1.2), the algebra $(A, \oplus, ^-, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ —where $x^- := 1 \otimes x$ and $x^\sim := 1 \otimes x$ —is a pseudo *MV*-algebra.

Remark 1.6. The identities (1.2) can be even replaced by the seemingly weaker equations

$$(1.3) \quad x = 1 \otimes (1 \otimes x) = 1 \otimes (1 \rightsquigarrow x).$$

Indeed, in any bounded *DRℓ*-monoid satisfying (1.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} x \wedge y &= (1 \otimes (1 \otimes x)) \wedge (1 \otimes (1 \otimes y)) \\ &= 1 \otimes ((1 \otimes x) \vee (1 \otimes y)) \\ &= 1 \otimes (((1 \otimes y) \otimes (1 \otimes x)) \oplus (1 \otimes x)) \\ &= 1 \otimes (((1 \otimes (1 \otimes x)) \otimes y) \oplus (1 \otimes x)) \\ &= 1 \otimes ((x \otimes y) \oplus (1 \otimes x)) \\ &= (1 \otimes (1 \otimes x)) \otimes (x \otimes y) \\ &= x \otimes (x \otimes y) \end{aligned}$$

and similarly $x \wedge y = x \otimes (x \otimes y)$. This observation is essentially due to A. Iorgulescu [16].

Summarizing, pseudo MV -algebras are termwise equivalent to bounded $DR\ell$ -monoids verifying (1.2), and hence the $DR\ell$ -monoids that satisfy (1.2) are the desired generalization of pseudo MV -algebras.

Note that though a $DR\ell$ -monoid A satisfying (1.2) need not have a greatest element, it is always lower bounded because $x \wedge 0 = x \odot (x \otimes 0) = x \odot x = 0$ for all $x \in A$.

Definition 1.7. A *generalized pseudo MV -algebra*, in short: a *GPMV-algebra*, is a $DR\ell$ -monoid satisfying the identities (1.2).

Residuated lattices that are equivalent to our $GPMV$ -algebras appear in literature on residuated lattices under the name (*integral*) *GMV-algebras* (see [2], [11], [17]). Another equivalent counterpart are *Wajsberg pseudo hoops* (see [13]).

It is easy to see that $GPMV$ -algebras extend pseudo MV -algebras in such a way that every principal order-ideal is a pseudo MV -algebra:

Lemma 1.8. Let $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \odot)$ be a $GPMV$ -algebra and $a \in A$. If we define

$$x \oplus_a y := (x \oplus y) \wedge a$$

for $x, y \in [0, a]$, then $A[a] := ([0, a], \oplus_a, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \odot, 0, a)$ is a bounded $GPMV$ -algebra.

It is worth noticing that for arbitrary $x, y, a \in A$ we have

$$(x \wedge a) \oplus_a (y \wedge a) = (x \oplus y) \wedge a.$$

We close this section with proving that every $GPMV$ -algebra embeds into a pseudo MV -algebra:

Theorem 1.9. Every $GPMV$ -algebra can be isomorphically embedded into a bounded $GPMV$ -algebra.

Proof. Let A be a $GPMV$ -algebra. We shall show that A can be embedded into an ultraproduct of $\{A[a] : a \in A\}$.

It is easy to see that $[a] \cap [b] = [a \vee b] \neq \emptyset$ for all $a, b \in A$, so the set $\{[a] : a \in A\}$ has the finite intersection property and hence there exists an ultrafilter U in the Boolean algebra 2^A of all subsets of A such that $\{[a] : a \in A\} \subseteq U$. Let

$$B = \prod_{a \in A} A[a]/U$$

be the ultraproduct of $\{A[a] : a \in A\}$ over U . Clearly, B is a bounded $GPMV$ -algebra. Recall that the ultraproduct B is the quotient algebra $\prod_{a \in A} A[a]/\theta_U$, where

θ_U is the congruence on the direct product $\prod_{a \in A} A[a]$ given by $(\alpha, \beta) \in \theta_U$ iff $\{a \in A: \alpha(a) = \beta(a)\} \in U$; the elements of B are denoted α/U or, in more detail, $(\alpha(a): a \in A)/U$.

Now, we define a mapping $f: A \rightarrow B$ via

$$f(x) := (x \wedge a: a \in A)/U,$$

which turns out to be the desired isomorphic embedding.

f is injective: Note that for any $x, y \in A$, $f(x) = f(y)$ iff $\{a \in A: x \wedge a = y \wedge a\} \in U$. Assume that $x \neq y$. It is clear that whenever $a \geq x \vee y$ then $x \wedge a = x \neq y = y \wedge a$, and hence $[x \vee y] \subseteq \{a \in A: x \wedge a \neq y \wedge a\}$. Since $[x \vee y] \in U$, also $\{a \in A: x \wedge a \neq y \wedge a\} \in U$. But $\{a \in A: x \wedge a \neq y \wedge a\}$ is the complement of $\{a \in A: x \wedge a = y \wedge a\}$ in the Boolean algebra 2^A , and consequently, $\{a \in A: x \wedge a = y \wedge a\} \notin U$ since U is an ultrafilter in 2^A . This shows that $f(x) \neq f(y)$ provided $x \neq y$.

f preserves \oplus : We have $f(x \oplus y) = ((x \oplus y) \wedge a: a \in A)/U$ on the one hand and $f(x) \oplus f(y) = (x \wedge a: a \in A)/U \oplus (y \wedge a: a \in A)/U = ((x \wedge a) \oplus_a (y \wedge a): a \in A)/U = ((x \oplus y) \wedge a: a \in A)/U$ on the other, so that $f(x \oplus y) = f(x) \oplus f(y)$.

f preserves \otimes : We have $f(x \otimes y) = ((x \otimes y) \wedge a: a \in A)/U$ and $f(x) \otimes f(y) = (x \wedge a: a \in A)/U \otimes (y \wedge a: a \in A)/U = ((x \wedge a) \otimes (y \wedge a): a \in A)/U$, thus $f(x \otimes y) = f(x) \otimes f(y)$ iff $\{a \in A: (x \otimes y) \wedge a = (x \wedge a) \otimes (y \wedge a)\} \in U$. Let $x \geq a$. Then $(x \otimes y) \wedge a = x \otimes y$ and $(x \wedge a) \otimes (y \wedge a) = x \otimes y$. This yields $[x] \subseteq \{a \in A: (x \otimes y) \wedge a = (x \wedge a) \otimes (y \wedge a)\}$ and hence $\{a \in A: (x \otimes y) \wedge a = (x \wedge a) \otimes (y \wedge a)\} \in U$ as desired.

It can be shown analogously that f preserves \odot as well as both \vee and \wedge . □

Since bounded $GPMV$ -algebras are de facto pseudo MV -algebras that can be represented as intervals in ℓ -groups, we immediately obtain:

Corollary 1.10. *For every $GPMV$ -algebra $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \odot)$ there exists an ℓ -group $(G, +, -, 0, \vee, \wedge)$ and an element $0 < u \in G$ such that $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \odot)$ is isomorphic to a subalgebra of $([0, u], \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \odot)$, where*

$$x \oplus y := (x + y) \wedge u, \quad x \otimes y := (x - y) \vee 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x \odot y := (-y + x) \vee 0.$$

2. GENERALIZED PSEUDO EFFECT ALGEBRAS

Generalized pseudo effect algebras were invented by A. Dvurečenskij and T. Vetterlein [10] as a generalization of effect algebras—partial additive structures related to the logic of quantum mechanics (see e.g. [6])—omitting both commutativity and boundedness:

A *generalized pseudo effect algebra* or simply a *GPE-algebra* is a structure $(E, +, 0)$, where 0 is an element of E and $+$ is a partial binary operation on E satisfying the following axioms, for all $a, b, c \in E$:

- (E1) $a + b$ and $(a + b) + c$ exist iff $b + c$ and $a + (b + c)$ exist, and in this case $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$;
- (E2) if $a + b$ exists then $a + b = x + a = b + y$ for some $x, y \in E$;
- (E3) if $a + c$ and $b + c$ exist and are equal then $a = b$, if $c + a$ and $c + b$ exist and are equal then $a = b$;
- (E4) if $a + b$ exists and equals 0 then $a = b = 0$;
- (E5) $a + 0$ and $0 + a$ exist and $a + 0 = a = 0 + a$.

We define a partial order \leq on E by $a \leq b$ iff $b = x + a$ for some $x \in E$, which is equivalent to $b = a + y$ for some $y \in E$. Clearly, 0 is the least element of (E, \leq) . If (E, \leq) is a lattice then $(E, +, 0)$ is called a *lattice-ordered GPE-algebra*.

A *pseudo effect algebra* is a structure $(E, +, 0, 1)$ such that $(E, +, 0)$ is a *GPE-algebra* having a greatest element 1 . In other words, pseudo effect algebras are bounded *GPE-algebras*. Moreover, if the partial addition $+$ is commutative then $(E, +, 0, 1)$ is an *effect algebra* (see [8], [9]).

Natural examples of *GPE-algebras* arise from positive cones of partially ordered groups:

Example 2.1 [10]. Let $(G, +, -, 0, \leq)$ be a partially ordered group and let X be a non-empty subset of its positive cone $G^+ = \{g \in G: 0 \leq g\}$ such that whenever $a, b \in X$ and $a \leq b$ then $b - a, -a + b \in X$. Then $(X, +, 0)$ is a *GPE-algebra*, where $+$ is the restriction of the group addition to those pairs of elements of X whose sum belongs to X . Thus, in particular, $(G^+, +, 0)$ is a *GPE-algebra*.

Given a pseudo *MV-algebra* $(A, \oplus, ^-, \sim, 0, 1)$, one defines a partial addition $+$ making A a pseudo effect algebra as follows (see [6], [5]): $a + b$ is defined and equal to $a \oplus b$ iff $a \leq b^-$ (alternatively, iff $b \leq a^\sim$). If we view A as a bounded *GPMV-algebra*, then $a \wedge b^- = (1 \otimes b) \otimes ((1 \otimes b) \otimes a) = (1 \otimes b) \otimes (1 \otimes (a \oplus b)) = (1 \otimes (1 \otimes (a \oplus b))) \otimes b = (a \oplus b) \otimes b$, and hence $a \leq b^-$ is equivalent to $(a \oplus b) \otimes b = a$.

This observation allows one to introduce a partial addition also in any *GPMV-algebra* $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \otimes)$ in the following way:

$$a + b \text{ is defined iff } (a \oplus b) \otimes b = a, \text{ in which case } a + b := a \oplus b,$$

or equivalently,

$$a + b \text{ is defined iff } (a \oplus b) \otimes a = b, \text{ in which case } a + b := a \oplus b.$$

The two definitions are easily seen to be equivalent. Indeed, if $(a \oplus b) \otimes b = a$ then $(a \oplus b) \otimes a = (a \oplus b) \otimes ((a \oplus b) \otimes b) = (a \oplus b) \wedge b = b$, and vice versa.

We say that a *GPE*-algebra $(E, +, 0)$ satisfies the *Weak Riesz Decomposition Property* (RDP_0), if for all $a, b, c \in E$, $a \leq b + c$ implies the existence of $b_1, c_1 \in E$ such that $b_1 \leq b$, $c_1 \leq c$ and $a = b_1 + c_1$.

Proposition 2.2. *For any GPMV-algebra $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \oslash)$, the structure $(A, +, 0)$ is a lattice-ordered GPE-algebra satisfying (RDP_0) . Moreover, for every $a, b \in A$,*

- (a) $a \oplus b = \max\{a_1 + b_1 : a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b \text{ and } a_1 + b_1 \text{ is defined}\}$,
- (b) $a \otimes b$ is the unique $x \in A$ with $x + (a \wedge b) = a$ and $a \oslash b$ is the unique $y \in A$ with $(a \wedge b) + y = a$.

Proof. (E1) Let $a + b$ and $(a + b) + c$ exist in A . Then

$$c = ((a \oplus b) \oplus c) \otimes (a \oplus b) = (a \oplus (b \oplus c)) \otimes (a \oplus b) \leq (b \oplus c) \otimes b \leq c$$

by (9) of Lemma 1.4, thus $(b \oplus c) \otimes b = c$ and $b + c$ is defined. Further, by Lemma 1.4 (6), $(a \oplus (b \oplus c)) \otimes (b \oplus c) = (((a \oplus b) \oplus c) \otimes c) \otimes b = (a \oplus b) \otimes b = a$, so $a + (b + c)$ is also defined.

(E2) Let $a + b$ be defined. Then $((a \oplus b) \otimes a) \oplus a = (a \oplus b) \vee a = a \oplus b$, whence $((a \oplus b) \otimes a) \oplus a \otimes a = (a \oplus b) \otimes a$, so that $((a \oplus b) \otimes a) + a$ exists. We have shown that $a + b = c + a$, where $c = (a \oplus b) \otimes a$. Similarly $a + b = b + d$ for $d = (a \oplus b) \otimes b$.

(E3) Assume that $a + c$ and $b + c$ exist and are equal. From $a + c = b + c$ it follows that $a = (a + c) \otimes c = (b + c) \otimes c = b$.

(E4) If $a + b$ is defined then clearly $a = b = 0$ whenever $a + b = 0$.

(E5) We have $(a \oplus 0) \otimes 0 = 0$, so $a + 0 = a$.

For (RDP_0) , let $a \leq b + c$ and denote $b_1 = a \wedge b$ and $c_1 = a \otimes b_1$. Then $c_1 = a \otimes (a \wedge b) = a \otimes b \leq c$, whence $b_1 \oplus c_1 = b_1 \oplus (a \otimes b_1) = a \vee b_1 = a$, and consequently, $b_1 + c_1$ is defined since $(b_1 \oplus c_1) \otimes b_1 = a \otimes b_1 = c_1$.

To prove (a) is suffices to note that either $a \oplus b = ((a \oplus b) \otimes b) + b$ or $a \oplus b = a + ((a \oplus b) \otimes a)$.

Finally, for (b), $(a \otimes b) + (a \wedge b)$ is defined and equal to a since $(a \otimes b) \oplus (a \wedge b) = (a \otimes (a \wedge b)) \oplus (a \wedge b) = a \vee (a \wedge b) = a$ and hence $((a \otimes b) \oplus (a \wedge b)) \otimes (a \wedge b) = a \otimes (a \wedge b) = a \otimes b$. Thus $a \otimes b$ is the unique x with $x + (a \wedge b) = a$. Analogously, $a \oslash b$ is the unique y with $(a \wedge b) + y = a$. \square

For the reverse passage from certain *GPE*-algebras to *GPMV*-algebras we need the following technical lemma:

Lemma 2.3 [10]. *Let $(E, +, 0)$ be a *GPE*-algebra and $a, b, c \in E$.*

- (i) *If $a + b$ exists then $a_1 + b_1$ exists for every $a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b$.*
- (ii) *If $b + c$ exists then $a \leq b$ iff $a + c$ exists and $a + c \leq b + c$. Similarly, if $c + b$ exists then $a \leq b$ iff $c + a$ exists and $c + a \leq c + b$.*

Proposition 2.4. *Let $(E, +, 0)$ be a lattice-ordered *GPE*-algebra satisfying (RDP_0) such that for every $a, b \in E$ there exists*

$$a \oplus b := \max\{a_1 + b_1 : a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b \text{ and } a_1 + b_1 \text{ is defined}\}.$$

*Then $(E, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \oslash)$ —where $a \otimes b$ is the unique $x \in E$ with $x + (a \wedge b) = a$ and $a \otimes b$ is the unique $y \in E$ with $(a \wedge b) + y = a$ —is a *GPMV*-algebra.*

Proof. First, we show that the operation \oplus is associative. We have

$$(a \oplus b) \oplus c = \max\{d_1 + c_1 : d_1 \leq a \oplus b, c_1 \leq c \text{ and } d_1 + c_1 \text{ exists}\}.$$

But if $d_1 \leq a \oplus b$ then due to the definition of \oplus and (RDP_0) there are $a_1 \leq a$ and $b_1 \leq b$ such that $d_1 = a_1 + b_1$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (a \oplus b) \oplus c &= \max\{(a_1 + b_1) + c_1 : a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b, c_1 \leq c \text{ and } (a_1 + b_1) + c_1 \text{ exists}\} \\ &= \max\{a_1 + b_1 + c_1 : a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b, c_1 \leq c \text{ and } a_1 + b_1 + c_1 \text{ exists}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously,

$$a \oplus (b \oplus c) = \max\{a_1 + b_1 + c_1 : a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b, c_1 \leq c \text{ and } a_1 + b_1 + c_1 \text{ exists}\},$$

so that $(a \oplus b) \oplus c = a \oplus (b \oplus c)$.

Obviously, $a \oplus 0 = a = 0 \oplus a$, thus $(E, \oplus, 0)$ is a monoid.

Now, we prove that $c \geq a \otimes b$ iff $c \oplus b \geq a$. If $a \otimes b \leq c$ then $a \leq c \oplus b = \max\{c_1 + b_1 : c_1 \leq c, b_1 \leq b, c_1 + b_1 \text{ exists}\}$ since $a = (a \otimes b) + (a \wedge b)$, where $a \otimes b \leq c$ and $a \wedge b \leq b$. Conversely, let $a \leq c \oplus b$. Then $a = c_1 + b_1$ for some $c_1 \leq c, b_1 \leq b$. Note that $b_1 \leq a$ and so $b_1 \leq a \wedge b$. Since $(a \otimes b) + (a \wedge b)$ exists, it follows that so does $(a \otimes b) + b_1$ and we have $(a \otimes b) + b_1 \leq (a \otimes b) + (a \wedge b) = a = c_1 + b_1$, which implies $a \otimes b \leq c_1 \leq c$ as desired. Similarly, $c \geq a \otimes b$ is equivalent to $b \oplus c \geq a$. Thus $(A, \oplus, 0, \vee, \wedge, \otimes, \oslash)$ is a dually residuated lattice.

It remains to verify that $a \wedge b = a \otimes (a \oslash b) = a \oslash (a \otimes b)$ for all $a, b \in E$. We have $a \otimes b = x$, where $(a \wedge b) + x = a$, and $a \otimes (a \oslash b) = a \otimes x = y$, where $y + (a \wedge x) = a$. But $a \wedge x = x$, so $y + x = a = (a \wedge b) + x$ whence $y = a \wedge b$ follows. Analogously, $a \oslash (a \otimes b) = a \wedge b$. □

Combining Propositions 2.2 and 2.4, *GPMV*-algebras are equivalent to those lattice-ordered *GPE*-algebras satisfying the Weak Riesz Decomposition Property (RDP_0) where

$$a \oplus b := \max\{a_1 + b_1 : a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b \text{ and } a_1 + b_1 \text{ is defined}\}$$

exists for all a, b .

By [9], Theorem 8.8, pseudo *MV*-algebras (= bounded *GPMV*-algebras) are in a one-to-one correspondence with lattice-ordered pseudo effect algebras (= bounded *GPE*-algebras) satisfying (RDP_0). Hence, if a given *GPE*-algebra has an upper bound 1, then $a \oplus b$ exists and

$$a \oplus b = (a \wedge (1 \circledast b)) + b = a + ((1 \circledast a) \wedge b),$$

where $1 \circledast b$ and $1 \circledast a$ are the unique x, y such that $x + b = 1$ and $a + y = 1$, respectively.

Many *GPE*-algebras are obtained as in Example 2.1:

Proposition 2.5 [10]. *Every GPE -algebra $(E, +, 0)$ which is a meet-semilattice and satisfies (RDP_0) can be isomorphically embedded into the positive cone $(G_E^+, +, 0)$ of an ℓ -group $(G_E, +, -, 0, \vee, \wedge)$ such that finite infima and existing finite suprema are preserved, and moreover, assuming $E \subseteq G_E$, E is a convex subset of G_E^+ that generates G_E^+ as a semigroup.*

Let $(E, +, 0)$ be a lattice-ordered *GPE*-algebra that obeys (RDP_0) as in Proposition 2.4 and let $(G_E, +, -, 0, \vee, \wedge)$ be the ℓ -group with the positive cone G_E^+ into which $(E, +, 0)$ can be embedded as in Proposition 2.5. Assume that $E \subseteq G_E^+$. Then, for every $a, b \in E$,

$$(2.1) \quad a \oplus b = \max\{a_1 + b_1 : a_1 \leq a, b_1 \leq b \text{ and } a_1 + b_1 \in E\}$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} a \circledast b &= a - (a \wedge b) = (a - b) \vee 0, \\ a \circledast b &= -(a \wedge b) + a = (-b + a) \vee 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now, by Propositions 2.5 and 2.2 we obtain:

Theorem 2.6. For every *GPMV*-algebra A there exists a lattice-ordered group G_A such that A can be embedded into G_A^+ in such a way that finite suprema and infima are preserved, and assuming $A \subseteq G_A^+$, the operations \odot and \otimes are given by (2.2) and A is a lattice ideal which generates G_A^+ as a semigroup.

Another important observation concerns morphisms of *GPE*-algebras. We recall from [10] that, given *GPE*-algebras E and F , a mapping $f: E \rightarrow F$ is called a *GPE-homomorphism* if $f(0) = 0$ and $f(a + b) = f(a) + f(b)$ provided $a + b$ exists in E .

Proposition 2.7 [10]. Let E and G_E be as in Proposition 2.5, assume that $E \subseteq G_E$. Every meet-preserving *GPE-homomorphism* f of E into the positive cone H^+ of a ℓ -group H can be uniquely extended to an ℓ -group homomorphism of G_E into H .

Let f be a homomorphism of a *GPMV*-algebra A into a *GPMV*-algebra B . Trivially, $f(0) = 0$. Suppose that $a + b$ is defined in A , i.e., $(a \oplus b) \odot b = a$. Then $(f(a) \oplus f(b)) \odot f(b) = f((a \oplus b) \odot b) = f(a)$ showing that $f(a) + f(b)$ is defined in B . Thus f is a *GPE-homomorphism* which evidently preserves infima. Hence we get:

Corollary 2.8. Let A and B be *GPMV*-algebras, G_A and G_B their representing ℓ -groups from Theorem 2.6, and assume $A \subseteq G_A$, $B \subseteq G_B$. Then every homomorphism $f: A \rightarrow B$ extends uniquely to an ℓ -group homomorphism $\hat{f}: G_A \rightarrow G_B$.

3. THE IDEAL LATTICE

The concept of an ideal of a general *DRℓ*-monoid was introduced and studied in [18]. Here we restrict ourselves to the case of *GPMV*-algebras (which are necessarily lower bounded):

An *ideal* of a *GPMV*-algebra A is a non-empty subset I such that

- (I1) $a \oplus b \in I$ for all $a, b \in I$,
- (I2) if $a \in I$ and $b \leq a$ then $b \in I$.

It is easy to prove that for every $\emptyset \neq I \subseteq A$, the following assertions are equivalent:

1. I is an ideal,
2. I is a convex subalgebra of A ,
3. for all $a, b \in A$, if $a \in I$ and $b \odot a \in I$ then $b \in I$,
4. for all $a, b \in A$, if $a \in I$ and $b \otimes a \in I$ then $b \in I$.

We use $\mathfrak{J}(A)$ to denote the set of all ideals of A ; it is an algebraic distributive lattice when ordered by set-inclusion. For any $\emptyset \neq X \subseteq A$, the set

$$I(X) = \{a \in A : a \leq x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus x_n \text{ for some } x_1, \dots, x_n \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

is the smallest ideal containing X .

An ideal $I \in \mathfrak{J}(A)$ is called *normal* if, for all $a, b \in A$,

$$a \oslash b \in I \quad \text{iff} \quad a \odot b \in I.$$

This is equivalent to saying that³ $a \oplus I = I \oplus a$ for every $a \in A$. There is a one-to-one correspondence between the normal ideals of A and its congruences. Namely, given a normal ideal I , the relation Θ_I defined by

$$(a, b) \in \Theta_I \quad \text{iff} \quad (a \oslash b) \vee (b \oslash a) \in I$$

is a congruence whose kernel $[0]_{\Theta_I} = \{a \in A : (a, 0) \in \Theta_I\}$ is I , and conversely, given a congruence Θ , $I = [0]_{\Theta}$ is the normal ideal such that $\Theta_I = \Theta$.

We write simply a/I instead of $[a]_{\Theta_I} = \{b \in A : (a, b) \in \Theta_I\}$ and, accordingly, the quotient algebra A/Θ_I is denoted by A/I .

From now on, we assume that A is a *GPMV*-algebra, G_A the ℓ -group from Theorem 2.6, and $A \subseteq G_A$.

Proposition 3.1. *If I is an ideal in A then⁴*

$$\varphi_A(I) := G_A(I)$$

is a convex ℓ -subgroup of G_A such that $I = \varphi_A(I) \cap A$.

If K is a convex ℓ -subgroup of G_A then

$$\psi_A(K) := K \cap A$$

is an ideal in A such that $K = G_A(\psi_A(K))$.

Proof. It is clear that $I \subseteq \varphi_A(I) \cap A$ for every $I \in \mathfrak{J}(A)$. Conversely, if $x \in \varphi_A(I) \cap A$ then $x \geq 0$ and so $x = a_1 + \dots + a_n$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_n \in I$. Since $x \in A$, it follows that $x \in I$, proving $\varphi_A(I) \cap A \subseteq I$.

For the latter claim, let $K \in \mathfrak{C}(G_A)$. We first prove that $\psi_A(K)$ is an ideal in A . Obviously, $0 \in \psi_A(K)$. Take $a, b \in A$ and suppose that $a \oslash b, b \in \psi_A(K)$. Then

³ We write $a \oplus I$ and $I \oplus a$ for $\{a \oplus x : x \in I\}$ and $\{x \oplus a : x \in I\}$, respectively.

⁴ For $X \subseteq G_A$, $G_A(X)$ is the convex ℓ -subgroup of G_A generated by X .

$0 \leq a \leq a \vee b = (a \otimes b) \oplus b = (a \otimes b) + b \in K \cap A$, so $a \in K \cap A = \psi_A(K)$. Thus $\psi_A(K) \in \mathfrak{I}(A)$.

Further, we prove that the convex ℓ -subgroup of G_A generated by $\psi_A(K)$ is just K . If $x \in K$, $x \geq 0$, then $x = a_1 + \dots + a_n$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$. But $0 \leq a_i \leq x$ implies $a_i \in K \cap A$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$, and hence $x \in G_A(\psi_A(K))$. If x is an arbitrary element of K then $0 \leq |x| = x \vee -x \in K$ and the same argument yields $|x| \in G_A(\psi_A(K))$, so that $x \in G_A(\psi_A(K))$. This shows $K \subseteq G_A(\psi_A(K))$. The other inclusion is evident. \square

Next, we focus our attention on congruence kernels—normal ideals of generalized pseudo MV -algebras and ℓ -ideals of ℓ -groups.

Proposition 3.2. *For any $I \in \mathfrak{I}(A)$, I is a normal ideal of A if and only if $\varphi_A(I)$ is an ℓ -ideal of G_A . For any $K \in \mathfrak{C}(G_A)$, K is an ℓ -ideal if and only if $\psi_A(K)$ is a normal ideal of A .*

Proof. Let K be an ℓ -ideal of G_A , i.e., a normal convex ℓ -subgroup. Observe that $x - (x \wedge y) \in K$ iff $-(x \wedge y) + x \in K$ for all $x, y \in G_A$. Indeed, if $x - (x \wedge y) \in K$ then $x = (x - (x \wedge y)) + (x \wedge y) \in K + (x \wedge y) = (x \wedge y) + K$ since K is a normal subgroup of G_A . This means $x = (x \wedge y) + z$ for some $z \in K$, so that $-(x \wedge y) + x = z \in K$. Analogously $-(x \wedge y) + x \in K$ yields $x - (x \wedge y) \in K$.

Consequently, if $a \otimes b \in \psi_A(K) = K \cap A$ for $a, b \in A$, then also $a \otimes b \in \psi_A(K)$, and vice versa. Thus $\psi_A(K)$ is a normal ideal in A provided K is an ℓ -ideal in G_A .

Conversely, let I be a normal ideal of A . Let f be the canonical homomorphism of A onto the quotient algebra A/I given by $f(a) := a/I$. By Theorem 2.6, A/I may be embedded into the positive cone of an ℓ -group $G_{A/I}$ as a lattice ideal that generates $G_{A/I}^+$. By Corollary 2.8, f extends to an ℓ -group homomorphism $\hat{f}: G_A \rightarrow G_{A/I}$, i.e., $\hat{f}(a) = a/I$ for each $a \in A$. We are going to show that $G_A(I) = \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$.

Let $x \in G_A(I)$. If $x \geq 0$ then $x = a_1 + \dots + a_n$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_n \in I$, whence we obtain $\hat{f}(x) = \hat{f}(a_1) + \dots + \hat{f}(a_n) = a_1/I + \dots + a_n/I = I$ since $a_i \in I$ for every $i = 1, \dots, n$. Thus $x \in \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$. If $x \in G_A(I)$ is arbitrary then similarly $|x| \in \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$, which yields $x \in \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$. Hence $G_A(I) \subseteq \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$.

On the other hand, let $x \in \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$, i.e., $\hat{f}(x) = I$. If $x \geq 0$ then $x = a_1 + \dots + a_n$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$. But $0 \leq a_i \leq x$ implies $I = \hat{f}(0) \leq \hat{f}(a_i) \leq \hat{f}(x) = I$, so $\hat{f}(a_i) = I$ and hence $a_i \in I$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. This means $x = a_1 + \dots + a_n \in G_A(I)$. The parallel argument shows that $|x| \in G_A(I)$ for an arbitrary $x \in \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$, and thus $x \in G_A(I)$. Altogether, $G_A(I) = \text{Ker}(\hat{f})$, which certainly is an ℓ -ideal of G_A . \square

Let us denote the lattice of all normal ideals of A by $\mathfrak{NI}(A)$ and the lattice of all ℓ -ideals of G_A by $\mathfrak{NI}(G_A)$. We have proved:

Theorem 3.3. *The ideal lattice $\mathfrak{J}(A)$ of A is isomorphic to the lattice $\mathfrak{C}(G_A)$ of all convex ℓ -subgroups of G_A under the mapping φ_A whose inverse is ψ_A . In addition, the restriction $\varphi_A \upharpoonright_{\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{J}(A)}$ is an isomorphism of $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{J}(A)$ onto $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}(G_A)$ the inverse of which is the restriction $\psi_A \upharpoonright_{\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}(G_A)}$.*

Corollary 3.4. *A GPMV-algebra A is linearly ordered if and only if G_A is a linearly ordered group.*

Proof. One readily sees that if A is linearly ordered then its ideal lattice $\mathfrak{J}(A)$, and hence likewise the lattice $\mathfrak{C}(G_A)$ of convex ℓ -subgroups of G_A , is a chain with respect to set-inclusion. But in this case G_A is a linearly ordered group. \square

4. VALUES AND COMPLETE DISTRIBUTIVITY

By Zorn's lemma, the set of all ideals that do not contain a given $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$ has a maximal element; such an ideal is called a *value* of a in A . We use $\Gamma_A(a)$ to denote the set of all values of a in A . It is easily seen that if $V \in \Gamma_A(a)$ for some $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$ then V has a unique cover V^* in the lattice $\mathfrak{J}(A)$. Of course, $a \in V^* \setminus V$. A value V is *normal* provided it is a normal ideal in its cover V^* . If all values are normal then A is called a *normal-valued GPMV-algebra*.

It is also worth noticing that V is a value in A if and only if it is a completely meet-irreducible element of the ideal lattice $\mathfrak{J}(A)$, and hence, since $\mathfrak{J}(A)$ is algebraic, it follows that every ideal equals the intersection of all values containing it.

An element $a \in A$ is said to be *special* if it has a unique value; the only value of a special element is called the *special value*.

A GPMV-algebra A is *finite-valued* if $\Gamma_A(a)$ is finite for all $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$.

Let now A be a GPMV-algebra, G_A its representing ℓ -group and let $A \subseteq G_A$. In view of Theorem 3.3 it is obvious that an ideal V is a value of $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$ if and only if $\varphi_A(V)$ is a value of a in G_A , and moreover, $\varphi_A(V^*)$ is the cover of $\varphi_A(V)$ in the lattice $\mathfrak{C}(G_A)$. As known, an ℓ -group is finite-valued if and only if every value is special, therefore we get (cf. [19]):

Theorem 4.1. *A GPMV-algebra A is finite-valued if and only if every value in A is special.*

Further, for any ideal $I \in \mathfrak{J}(A)$, $\varphi_A(I) = G_A(I)$ is precisely its representing ℓ -group G_I . This entails that a value V in A is normal in its cover V^* if and only if $\varphi_A(V)$ is normal in its cover $\varphi_A(V)^* = \varphi_A(V^*)$. Indeed, V is normal in V^* if and only if $\varphi_{V^*}(V) = G_{V^*}(V) = G_A(V) = \varphi_A(V)$ is normal in $G_{V^*} = \varphi_A(V^*)$.

As a corollary we have that A is normal-valued if and only if so is the ℓ -group G_A . Using the fact that in ℓ -groups special values are normal, we obtain:

Theorem 4.2. *Let A be a GPMV-algebra. Then every special value is normal. Consequently, if A is finite-valued then it is normal-valued.*

Let $X \subseteq A$. It is plain that the embedding of A into G_A preserves arbitrary existing infima, i.e., $\inf_A X$ exists iff so does $\inf_{G_A} X$, in which case they are equal. The analogue for suprema holds, too.

Lemma 4.3. *For any $X \subseteq A$, if $\sup_A X$ exists then $\sup_A X = \sup_{G_A} X$; if $\sup_{G_A} X$ exists and belongs to A then $\sup_A X = \sup_{G_A} X$.*

Proof. Denote $x_0 := \sup_A X$. Let $a \in G_A$ be another upper bound of X . Then $x_0 \wedge a \in A$ and $x_0 \wedge a \geq x$ for every $x \in X$, hence $a \geq x_0$, proving that x_0 is the l.u.b. of X .

The latter claim is obvious. □

An ideal $I \in \mathfrak{I}(A)$ is defined to be *closed* if $\sup_A X \in I$ for every $X \subseteq I$ whose supremum exists in A .

We call an ideal $P \in \mathfrak{I}(A)$ *prime* if it is a prime element of the ideal lattice $\mathfrak{I}(A)$, i.e., for any $I, J \in \mathfrak{I}(A)$, $I \cap J \subseteq P$ implies $I \subseteq P$ or $J \subseteq P$. Equivalently, P is prime if and only if $a \wedge b \in P$ entails $a \in P$ or $b \in P$ for all $a, b \in A$. Note that every value is a prime ideal.

Proposition 4.4. *Let P be a prime ideal of A . Then P is closed if and only if $\varphi_A(P)$ is a closed prime subgroup of G_A .*

Proof. First note that P is a prime ideal iff $\varphi_A(P)$ is a prime subgroup of G_A , so we may assume that $P \neq A$.

Let P be closed, let $X \subseteq \varphi_A(P) \cap G_A^+$ and $x_0 := \sup_{G_A} X$. Take any $a \in A \setminus P$. Then $a \wedge x_0 \in A$ and $a \wedge x \in P$ for every $x \in X$. Since P is closed, we have $a \wedge x_0 = \bigvee_{x \in X} (a \wedge x) \in P$. However, $a \notin \varphi_A(P)$ and $\varphi_A(P)$ is a prime subgroup of G_A , and so $x_0 \in P$.

Conversely, P is easily seen to be closed whenever $\varphi_A(P)$ is a closed prime subgroup. □

As a consequence we have (cf. [20]):

Proposition 4.5. Given $P, Q \in \mathfrak{I}(A)$ with $P \subseteq Q$, if P is closed prime then so is Q .

Proof. This follows from the fact that $\varphi_A(Q) \supseteq \varphi_A(P)$ is a closed prime subgroup of G_A whenever so is $\varphi_A(P)$. \square

A value V in A is called *essential* if it contains all values of some $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$. Evidently, V is an essential value in A iff so is $\varphi_A(V)$ in G_A . Since essential values in ℓ -groups are closed, by the previous proposition we obtain (cf. [20]):

Proposition 4.6. Let A be a *GPMV*-algebra. Every essential value is closed; in particular, every special value is closed. If, moreover, A is normal-valued then every closed value is essential.

Proof. We have to justify the latter statement. For that purpose, suppose that V is a closed value of some $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$. Then $\varphi_A(V)$ is a closed value of a in the ℓ -group G_A which is normal-valued. It is known that in the case of normal-valued ℓ -groups closed values are essential, hence $\varphi_A(V)$ contains all values of some $x \in G_A^+ \setminus \{0\}$. It is clear now that every value $W \in \Gamma_A(a \wedge x)$ is contained in V , so V is essential. \square

Let A be a *GPMV*-algebra. The *distributive radical* of A is the intersection of all closed prime ideals of A . Since any closed prime ideal is the intersection of the values exceeding it every one of which is closed, it can be easily seen that $D(A)$ equals the intersection of all closed values in A . Observe that $a \in D(A)$ if and only if a has no closed value.

Proposition 4.7. $\varphi_A(D(A)) = D(G_A)$.

Proof. Let $x \in \varphi_A(D(A))$, $x \geq 0$, i.e., $x = a_1 + \dots + a_n$ where $a_1, \dots, a_n \in D(A)$. Since a_i 's have no closed values in A , they have no closed values in G_A either, which yields that $a_i \in D(G_A)$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. Consequently, $x \in D(G_A)$.

Conversely, if $x \in D(G_A)$, $x \geq 0$, then $x = a_1 + \dots + a_n$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$, and x has no closed value in G_A . If $V \in \Gamma_A(a_i)$, then $x \notin \varphi_A(V)$, and so $\varphi_A(V) \subseteq M$ for some $M \in \Gamma_{G_A}(x)$. Therefore $\varphi_A(V)$, and hence V , is not closed. This yields $a_i \in D(A)$ for any $i = 1, \dots, n$, so that $x \in \varphi_A(D(A))$. \square

Note that the distributive radical $D(A)$ of A is a (closed) normal ideal since $D(G_A)$ is an ℓ -ideal of G_A (see e.g. [3], 6.2.2).

We say that a *GPMV*-algebra A is *completely distributive* if

$$\bigwedge_{s \in S} \bigvee_{t \in T} a_{st} = \bigvee_{f: S \rightarrow T} \bigwedge_{s \in S} a_{sf(s)}$$

for all $\{a_{st} : s \in S, t \in T\} \subseteq A$ for which the indicated infima and suprema exist.

It is well-known that an ℓ -group G is completely distributive if and only if $D(G) = \{0\}$.

Before proving the analogue for $GPMV$ -algebras, we remark that for any ideal $I \in \mathcal{J}(A)$, there exists the smallest closed ideal exceeding I ; it is denoted by $\text{cl}(I)$ and consists of those elements a that can be written as $a = \bigvee_{t \in T} a_t$, where $\{a_t : t \in T\} \subseteq I$.

Theorem 4.8 (cf. [20]). *A $GPMV$ -algebra A is completely distributive if and only if $D(A) = \{0\}$.*

Proof. If $D(A) = \{0\}$ then by the previous proposition we have $D(G_A) = \{0\}$, hence G_A is a completely distributive ℓ -group, so in view of Lemma 4.3, A is completely distributive.

Assume that A is completely distributive but there exists $a \in D(A) \setminus \{0\}$. Let $\{P_s : s \in S\}$ be the set of all prime ideals. Since $\text{cl}(P_s)$ is a closed prime ideal for every $s \in S$, it follows that $a \in \text{cl}(P_s)$ for all $s \in S$, and a can be written in the form $a = \bigvee_{t \in T} a_{st}$ for some $\{a_{st} : t \in T\} \subseteq P_s$ (for each $s \in S$ we take the same T). For any $f: S \rightarrow T$ we have $\bigwedge_{s \in S} a_{sf(s)} = 0$ as $\bigcap_{s \in S} P_s = \{0\}$. However, then $a = \bigwedge_{s \in S} \bigvee_{t \in T} a_{st} = \bigvee_{f: S \rightarrow T} \bigwedge_{s \in S} a_{sf(s)} = 0$, a contradiction. \square

Since A is finite-valued if and only if every value in A is special, and special values are closed, we get

Corollary 4.9. *If A is finite-valued then it is completely distributive.*

5. ARCHIMEDEAN $GPMV$ -ALGEBRAS

In analogy with ℓ -groups, we write $a \ll b$ if, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \cdot a = a + \dots + a$ (n -times) exists and $n \cdot a \leq b$. A $GPMV$ -algebra A is said to be *Archimedean* if $a \ll b$ for all $a, b \in A \setminus \{0\}$.

The ℓ -group representation of $GPMV$ -algebras allows one to prove that any Archimedean $GPMV$ -algebra is commutative.

Theorem 5.1. *Let A be a $GPMV$ -algebra. Then A is Archimedean if and only if G_A is an Archimedean ℓ -group.*

Proof. Let G_A be Archimedean, i.e., for any $a, b \in G_A^+$, if $n \cdot a \leq b$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $a = 0$. If $a, b \in A$ and $a \ll b$, then $n \cdot a \leq b$ for each positive integer n , which entails $a = 0$. Thus A is Archimedean, too.

Conversely, let A be an Archimedean $GPMV$ -algebra, let $x, y \in G_A^+$ and assume that $n \cdot x \leq y$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since A generates G_A^+ , there exist $a_1, \dots, a_m \in A$ such that $y = a_1 + \dots + a_m$. We proceed by induction on m .

(a) Let $m = 1$, i.e., $n \cdot x \leq a_1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then obviously $x \leq a_1$, and so $x \in A$. Now, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \cdot x$ is defined in A and is less than or equal to a_1 , whence $x = 0$ follows.

(b) Suppose that the statement holds for every positive integer $k \leq m$. Let $n \cdot x \leq a_1 + \dots + a_m + a_{m+1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$; then $n \cdot x - a_{m+1} \leq a_1 + \dots + a_m$. It can be easily seen that in any ℓ -group G , $n \cdot (x \vee 0) = n \cdot x \vee (n-1) \cdot x \vee \dots \vee x \vee 0$ for every $x \in G$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Furthermore, if $x, y \in G^+$ then $n \cdot (x - y) \leq n \cdot x - y$. Therefore for any $r \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & r \cdot ((n \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee 0) \\ &= r \cdot (n \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee (r-1) \cdot (n \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee \dots \vee (n \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee 0 \\ &\leq (rn \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee ((r-1)n \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee \dots \vee (n \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee 0 \\ &\leq a_1 + \dots + a_m. \end{aligned}$$

By the induction hypothesis we obtain $(n \cdot x - a_{m+1}) \vee 0 = 0$, so $n \cdot x \leq a_{m+1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, which yields $x = 0$. \square

Corollary 5.2. *Every Archimedean $GPMV$ -algebra is commutative.*

Proof. It is well-known that any Archimedean ℓ -group is Abelian (e.g. [14], Theorem 4.B). Hence if A is Archimedean then G_A is Abelian and so $a \otimes b = a \odot b$ for all $a, b \in A$. This entails the commutativity of A since $a \geq (b \oplus a) \otimes b = (b \oplus a) \odot b$ whence $a \oplus b \geq b \oplus a$, and similarly $a \oplus b \leq b \oplus a$. \square

An *Archimedean lattice* (see [22]) is an algebraic lattice L such that for each compact element $c \in L$, the meet of all maximal elements in the interval $[0, c]$ is 0 (where 0 is the least element of L). As known, an Abelian ℓ -group G is Archimedean if and only if the lattice $\mathfrak{C}(G)$ of its convex ℓ -subgroups is an Archimedean lattice. The proof can be easily done by observing that the compact elements of $\mathfrak{C}(G)$ are just the principal convex ℓ -subgroups $G(a)$, $a \in G$, and using the fact that in each ℓ -group $G(a)$ which has a strong order unit a , the intersection of all maximal ℓ -ideals equals the set $\{x \in G(a) : x \ll a\}$.

Since A is Archimedean exactly if G_A is an Archimedean ℓ -group, it follows that $\mathfrak{J}(A)$ is an Archimedean lattice if and only if so is $\mathfrak{C}(G_A)$. Hence

Theorem 5.3. *A commutative GPMV-algebra A is Archimedean if and only if its ideal lattice $\mathfrak{I}(A)$ is an Archimedean lattice.*

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