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## WEAK ISOMETRIES OF LATTICE ORDERED GROUPS

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K. L. Swamy [10] defined an isometry in an abelian lattice ordered group  $G$  to be a bijection  $f: G \rightarrow G$  such that

$$(1) \quad |f(x) - f(y)| = |x - y| \quad \text{for each } x, y \in G.$$

This definition can be applied for non-abelian lattice ordered groups as well.

Isometries in abelian lattice ordered groups were investigated by Swamy [10], [11] and by W. B. Powell [8]; for the non-abelian case cf. W. Ch. Holland [2] and the author [3], [4].

Isometries for some types of abelian partially ordered groups were studied by J. Rachůnek [9], M. Jasem [6], M. Kolibiar and the author [5].

In [4] it was proved that for each isometry  $f$  we have

$$(2) \quad f([x \wedge y, x \vee y]) = [f(x) \wedge f(y), f(x) \vee f(y)] \quad \text{for each } x, y \in G.$$

In the present paper the following results will be established:

(A) *Let  $G$  be a representable lattice ordered group and let  $f: G \rightarrow G$  be a mapping such that (1) is valid. Then  $f$  is a bijection.*

(B) *Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $f: G \rightarrow G$  be a mapping such that (1) and (2) are valid. Then  $f$  is a bijection.*

A mapping  $f: G \rightarrow G$  which satisfies the condition (1) will be said to be a weak isometry in  $G$ .

### 1. Auxiliary lemmas

For the terminology and denotations concerning lattice ordered groups cf. Conrad [1] and Kopytov [7].

**1.1. Lemma.** *Let  $f$  be a weak isometry in a lattice ordered group  $G$ . Then  $f$  is an injection.*

**Proof.** Let  $x$  and  $y$  be distinct elements of  $G$ . Then  $|x - y| \neq 0$ , hence in view of (1) we have  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ .

In the remaining part of this section  $G$  is a lattice ordered group and  $f$  is a weak isometry in  $G$ . In the lemmas 1.2—1.10 we assume that the condition (2)

is satisfied. The method from [3], Section 1 will be applied (with the distinction that the bijectivity of  $G$  will not be assumed).

We denote by  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  the sets of all intervals  $[r, s]$  of  $G$  such that  $f(r) \leq f(s)$  or  $f(r) \geq f(s)$ , respectively.

**1.2. Lemma.** *Let  $a, b, c \in G$ ,  $a \leq b \leq c$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . If  $[a, c] \in M_i$ , then both the intervals  $[a, b]$  and  $[b, c]$  belong to  $M_i$ .*

*Proof.* This is a consequence of (2).

Each interval belonging to  $M_1 \cap M_2$  contains only one element; thus from 1.2 we obtain:

**1.3. Lemma.** *Let  $[a, b] \in M_1$ ,  $[a, c] \in M_2$ . Then  $a = b \wedge c$ .*

The assertion dual to 1.3 is also valid.

**1.4. Lemma.** *Let  $a, b \in G$ ,  $a \leq b$ . There exist elements  $c, d \in [a, b]$  such that*

- (i)  $[a, c], [d, b] \in M_1$  and  $[a, d], [c, b] \in M_2$ ;
- (ii)  $c \wedge d = a$  and  $c \vee d = b$ ;
- (iii)  $f(c) = f(a) \vee f(b)$ ,  $f(d) = f(a) \wedge f(b)$ .

*Proof.* According to (2) there exist elements  $c$  and  $d$  in  $[a, b]$  such that (iii) is valid. Hence (i) holds. Thus in view of 1.3 and of its dual, the condition (i) is satisfied.

Let  $x, y \in G$ ,  $x \wedge y = u$ ,  $x \vee y = v$ .

**1.5. Lemma.** *Let  $[u, x]$  and  $[u, y]$  belong to  $M_1$ . Then  $f(x) \wedge f(y) = f(u)$  and  $f(x) \vee f(y) = f(v)$  (hence  $[x, v], [y, v] \in M_1$ ).*

*Proof.* Cf. [3], Proof of Lemma 1.5.

Similarly we have

**1.6. Lemma.** *Let  $[u, x], [u, y] \in M_2$ . Then  $f(x) \wedge f(y) = f(u)$  and  $f(x) \vee f(y) = f(v)$  (hence  $[x, v], [y, v] \in M_2$ ).*

**1.7. Lemma.** *Let  $[u, x] \in M_1$ ,  $[u, y] \in M_2$ . Then  $[x, v] \in M_2$  and  $[y, v] \in M_1$ .*

*Proof.* According to Lemma 1.4 applied to the interval  $[x, v]$  there exists  $d \in [x, v]$  such that  $[x, d] \in M_1$  and  $[d, v] \in M_2$ . Then we have  $[u, d] \in M_1$ , hence in view of 1.2,  $[u, d \wedge y] \in M_1$ . But from  $[u, d \wedge y] \subseteq [u, y] \in M_2$  we obtain  $[u, d \wedge y] \in M_2$ , thus in view of Lemma 1.3 we have  $d \wedge y = u$ . Hence  $d = x$  and therefore  $[x, v] \in M_2$ . Analogously we deduce that  $[y, v] \in M_1$ .

**1.8. Lemma.** *Let  $[u, x] \in M_1$ . Then  $[y, v] \in M_1$ .*

*Proof.* According to 1.4 there is  $c \in [u, y]$  such that  $[u, c] \in M_1$  and  $[c, y] \in M_2$ . Put  $c_1 = x \vee c$ . In view of 1.5 we have  $[c, c_1] \in M_1$ . Hence according to 1.3,  $c_1 \wedge y = c$ . Clearly  $c_1 \vee y = v$ . Now by applying 1.4 we obtain  $[y, v] \in M_1$ .

By duality we get  $[y, v] \in M_1 \Rightarrow [u, x] \in M_1$ . An analogous result holds for  $M_2$ ; thus we conclude:

**1.9. Lemma.** *Let  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . Then  $[u, x] \in M_i$  if and only if  $[y, v] \in M_i$ .*

**1.10. Lemma.** *Let the assumptions of Lemma 1.7 be satisfied. Then we have  $f(u) \wedge f(v) = f(y)$  and  $f(u) \vee f(v) = f(x)$ .*

*Proof.* In view of the assumptions we have  $f(y) \leq f(v)$  and  $f(y) \leq f(u)$ , hence  $f(y) \leq f(u) \wedge f(v)$ . On the other hand, from (2) we obtain  $f(u) \wedge f(v) \leq f(y)$ . Thus  $f(u) \wedge f(v) = f(y)$ . Analogously we can verify that  $f(u) \vee f(v) = f(x)$ .

**1.11. Lemma.** *Let  $f(0) = 0$ . Then*

- (a)  $x \wedge f(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = x$ ;
- (b)  $x \wedge (-f(x)) \geq 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = -x$ ;
- (c)  $x \vee f(x) \leq 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = x$ ;
- (d)  $x \vee (-f(x)) \leq 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = -x$ .

*Proof.* Cf. [3], the proof of 1.8.

**1.12. Lemma.** *Let  $f(0) = 0$ . Let (2) be valid and let  $0 \leq x \in G$ . Then*

- (a)  $f(x) = x \Leftrightarrow f(-x) = -x$ ,
- (b)  $f(x) = -x \Leftrightarrow f(-x) = x$ .

*Proof.* Cf. [3], the proof of 1.9.

Hence we arrived at the conclusion that if  $f$  is a weak isometry on a lattice ordered group  $G$  such that (2) is satisfied, then the assertions of the lemmas 1.3—1.9 of [3] remain valid.

## 2. Representable lattice ordered groups

Recall that a lattice ordered group is said to be representable if it can be embedded into a direct product of linearly ordered groups. Each abelian lattice ordered group is representable.

**2.1. Lemma.** *Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $f: G \rightarrow G$  be a mapping. Put  $g(x) = f(x) - f(0)$  for each  $x \in G$ . Let  $j \in \{1, 2\}$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $f$  satisfies the condition (j);
- (ii)  $g$  satisfies the condition (j).

The proof is immediate.

**2.2. Lemma.** *Let  $G$  be a linearly ordered group and let  $f$  be a weak isometry in  $G$ . Let  $g$  be as in 2.1. Then some of the following conditions is valid:*

- ( $\alpha$ )  $g(x) = x$  for each  $x \in G$ ;
- ( $\beta$ )  $g(x) = -x$  for each  $x \in G$ .

**Proof.** The assertion is trivial for the case  $G = \{0\}$ . Assume that  $G \neq \{0\}$ . Then there is  $x \in G$ ,  $x > 0$ . Since  $G$  is linearly ordered, according to 1.11 we have either  $g(x) = x$  or  $g(x) = -x$ .

Let  $g(x) = x$  and  $y \in G$ . By way of contradiction, assume that  $g(y) \neq y$ . Then  $y \neq 0$  and  $g(y) = -y$ . If  $y > 0$ , then  $|g(x) - g(y)| > |x - y|$ ; if  $y < 0$ , then  $|g(x) - g(y)| < |x - y|$ . Since  $g$  is a weak isometry in  $G$ , we have arrived at a contradiction. The case  $g(x) = -x$  is analogous.

In the rest of this section we assume that  $G$  is a representable lattice ordered group and that  $f$  is a weak isometry in  $G$ .

Without loss of generality we may suppose that  $G$  is a subgroup of the lattice ordered group  $\prod_{i \in I} G_i$ , where

- (a) all  $G_i$  are linearly ordered,
- (b) for each  $i \in I$ , the natural projection of  $G$  into  $G_i$  is a surjection.

For  $x \in G$  and  $i \in I$  we denote by  $x(i)$  the  $i$ -th component of  $x$ . Let  $g$  be as above.

**2.3. Lemma.** *Let  $x, y \in G$  and  $i \in I$ . If  $x(i) = y(i)$ , then  $g(x)(i) = g(y)(i)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x(i) = y(i)$ . From 2.1 we infer that

$$|g(x) - g(y)|(i) = |x - y|(i),$$

hence

$$|g(x)(i) - g(y)(i)| = |x(i) - y(i)|.$$

Therefore  $g(x)(i) = g(y)(i)$ .

In view of (b), for each  $i \in I$  and each  $x_i \in G_i$  there is  $x \in G$  with  $x(i) = x_i$ . We put  $g_i(x_i) = g(x)(i)$ . According to 2.3,  $g_i$  is a correctly defined mapping of  $G_i$  into  $G_i$ .

Since all operations in  $G$  are performed component-wise, from 2.1 we obtain that for each  $i \in I$ ,  $g_i$  is a weak isometry in  $G_i$ .

**2.4. Lemma.** *Let  $i \in I$ . Then  $g_i$  satisfies the condition (2).*

**Proof.** Since  $G_i$  is linearly ordered, we can apply 2.2 ( $G$  and  $g$  are replaced by  $G_i$  and  $g_i$ ) and then by a straight-forward calculation we obtain that (2) holds.

In view of 2.4,  $g$  satisfies (2) as well; hence according to 2.1 we get

**2.5. Corollary.** *Let  $G$  be a representable lattice ordered group and let  $f$  be a weak isometry in  $G$ . Then the condition (2) is satisfied.*

### 3. Proofs of (A) and (B)

In view of 2.5, the assertion (A) is a consequence of (B).

Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $f: G \rightarrow G$  be a mapping which satisfies (1) and (2).

For the next procedure we have two alternatives.

a) As we have already remarked, we have verified in Section 1 above that the assertions of Lemmas 1.3—1.9, [3] remain valid if the assumption that  $f$  is an isometry is replaced by the assumption that  $f$  is a weak isometry satisfying (2). This assumption also suffices to carry out the proofs of [3], Section 2. In particular, from 2.5.1 in [3] we infer that  $g^2(x) = x$  is valid for each  $x \in G$ , where  $g$  is as in Lemma 2.1. Hence in view of 1.1,  $g$  is a bijection. Therefore  $f$  is a bijection as well. Thus we have proved that (B) holds. According to 1.1 and 2.5, (A) is valid.

b) We can proceed directly without applying the results of Section 2 of [3] (concerning the direct product decomposition of  $G$  corresponding to the mapping  $f$  with  $f(0) = 0$ ).

Let  $g$  be as in 2.1. The following assertion is obvious.

**3.1. Lemma.** *The mapping  $g^2$  satisfies the conditions (1) and (2).*

**3.2. Lemma.** *Let  $x \in G$ ,  $0 \leq x$ . Then  $g^2(x) = x$ .*

*Proof.* We apply Lemma 1.4 for the interval  $[0, x]$  and for  $g$  instead of  $f$  (in view of 2.1, this can be done). There are  $a, b \in [0, x]$  such that  $[0, a], [b, x] \in M_1$  and  $[0, b], [a, x] \in M_2$  (where  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are taken with respect to  $g$ ). According to 1.10 we have

$$g(0) \wedge g(x) = g(b), \quad g(0) \vee g(x) = g(a),$$

whence

$$0 \wedge g(x) = -b, \quad 0 \vee g(x) = a.$$

Since  $g(-b) = b$  (cf. 1.12), according to (2) we obtain

$$g(g(x)) \in [g(a) \wedge g(-b), g(a) \vee g(-b)] = [a \wedge b, a \vee b] = [0, x],$$

hence  $g^2(x) \geq 0$ . Now in view of 3.1 and 1.11 (a) (applied to  $g^2$ ) we infer that  $g^2(x) = x$ .

**3.3. Lemma.** *Let  $x \in G$ . Then  $g^2(x) = x$ .*

*Proof.* Put  $0 \wedge x = u$ ,  $0 \vee x = v$ . In view of 1.12 and 3.2 we have  $g^2(u) = u$  and  $g^2(v) = v$ . Hence  $g^2(u) \leq g^2(v)$ . Thus according to 3.1 and 1.2,  $g^2(u) \leq g^2(x) \leq g^2(v)$ . Since  $g^2$  satisfies (1) and  $g^2(0) = 0$ , we get  $|g^2(x)| = |x|$ . If either  $g^2(x) \wedge 0 > u$  or  $g^2(x) \vee 0 < v$ , then we would have

$$|g^2(x)| = g^2(x) \vee 0 - g^2(x) \wedge 0 < v - x = |x|,$$

which is a contradiction. Hence  $g^2(x) \wedge 0 = u$  and  $g^2(x) \vee 0 = v$ . Therefore  $g^2(x) = x$ .

Now we can apply the identity  $g^2(x) = x$  in the same way as in a) to obtain that (A) and (B) hold.

**3.4. Corollary.** *Let  $G$  be a representable lattice ordered group and let  $f: G \rightarrow G$  be a mapping. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$f$  is an isometry in  $G$ .*
- (ii)  *$f$  satisfies (1).*

**3.5. Corollary.** *Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $f: G \rightarrow G$  be a mapping. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$f$  is an isometry in  $G$ .*
- (ii)  *$f$  satisfies (1) and (2).*

The question whether (2) is a consequence of (1) remains open.

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#### СЛАБЫЕ ИЗОМЕТРИИ РЕШЕТОЧНО УПОРЯДОЧЕННЫХ ГРУПП

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Резюме

Пусть  $G$  — решеточно упорядоченная группа, и  $f: G \rightarrow G$  такое отображение, что  $|f(x) - f(y)| = |x - y|$  для всех  $x, y \in G$ . В статье доказано: если  $G$  является  $o$ -аппроксимиремой, тогда отображение  $f$  будет биекцией.