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On commutativity of weakly o-minimal lattice ordered groups

Introduction

Notion of a weakly o-minimal structure has been introduced by D. Macpherson, D. Marker and Ch. Steinhorn in [4] for totally ordered structures. In their paper they investigate properties of such structures, of definable unary functions, topological properties of definable subsets and properties of weakly o-minimal totally ordered groups and fields. They proved that a totally ordered weakly o-minimal groups is Abelian, divisible and dense and that a totally ordered weakly o-minimal field is real closed.

In this paper we consider a generalization of notion of weak o-minimality to the class of partially ordered structures, namely, to the class of lattice ordered groups. We prove that a weakly o-minimal lattice ordered group is Abelian, divisible and dense.

Recall that a semigroup S is said to be *partially ordered* or a *partially ordered semigroup* if it admits a partial order \leq which is compatible with the left and right multiplication:

$$a \leq b \text{ implies } xay \leq xby \text{ for all } x, y \in S^1.$$

A good review on partially ordered groups one can find in [1–3].

Below we recall some basic properties of partially ordered groups.

Proposition 1.1 [1] *Let G be a partially ordered group and suppose that $a, b \in G$. Then a and b have a least upper bound $a \vee b$ in G if and only if they have a greatest lower bound $a \wedge b$; this occurs if and only if a^{-1} and b^{-1} have a least upper bound. Indeed,*

$$\begin{aligned} a \wedge b &= a(a \vee b)^{-1}b & a \vee b &= a(a \wedge b)^{-1}b \\ a \wedge b &= (a^{-1} \vee b^{-1})^{-1} & a \vee b &= (a^{-1} \wedge b^{-1})^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Further for every $g \in G$,

$$\begin{aligned} g(a \vee b) &= ga \vee gb & (a \vee b)g &= ag \vee bg \\ g(a \wedge b) &= ga \wedge gb & (a \wedge b)g &= ag \wedge bg. \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 1.2 [1] *The following are equivalent for a partially ordered group G .*

- (i) G is a \vee -semilattice under \leq ;
- (ii) G is a \wedge -semilattice under \leq ;
- (iii) $a \vee 1$ exists for each $a \in G$;
- (iv) $a \wedge 1$ exists for each $a \in G$;
- (v) $a \vee b$ exists for each $a, b \in G^+$;
- (vi) $a \wedge b$ exists for each $a, b \in G^+$;
- (vii) for each $a, b \in G^+$ there exists $c \in G^+$ such that $G^+a \cap G^+b = G^+c$.

If G satisfies one (thus all) of the conditions in the Corollary we say that G is a *lattice ordered group* or a *lattice ordered group*.

Theorem 1.3 [1] *Let G be a lattice ordered group under a partial order \leq then G is a distributive lattice under \leq .*

Definition: Recall, that two elements a and b of a lattice ordered group G are said to be *orthogonal* if $a \wedge b = 1$. Orthogonal elements are very common in lattice ordered groups and play a crucial role in the theory of such groups. The next proposition lists a number of their basic properties.

Proposition 1.4 [1] Let G be a lattice ordered group and let $a, b, c \in G$.

- (i) if $a \wedge b = 1$ then $ab = ba$;
- (ii) if $a \wedge b = 1$ and $c \geq 1$ then $a \wedge bc = a \wedge c$;
- (iii) $(a \vee 1) \wedge (a^{-1} \vee 1) = 1$; $a \boxplus a^{-1} = (a \boxplus 1)(a^{-1} \boxplus 1)$;
- (iv) $(a \vee 1)^n = a^n \vee 1$; $(a \wedge 1)^n = a^n \wedge 1$;
- (v) $a^n \geq 1$ implies $a \geq 1$.

Theorem 1.5 [1] Let G be an Abelian group. Then G can be lattice ordered (totally ordered) if and only if G is torsion free.

1. Weakly o-minimal lattice ordered groups

Definition: An interval (a, b) for $a < b$ in a partially ordered set M is a set of all element c such that $a < c < b$.

Definition: A subset A of a partially ordered set M is called *convex* if for any $a, b \in A$ if $a < b$, then the interval (a, b) is a subset of A .

Definition: A partially ordered structure (M, \leq, \dots) is called *weakly o-minimal* if any definable subset is a finite union of convex sets.

Lemma 2.1 Let (G, \leq, \cdot, e) be a partially ordered weakly o-minimal group. Let H be a definable subgroup of G . Then for any $h \in H$ if $h > e$, then $(e, h) \in H$.

Proof: Let $h \in H$ be positive. Assume the contrary that there is $g \in G$ such that $g \in (e, h)$ and $g \notin H$. Since h is positive, it is of infinite order, so $h, h^2, h^3, \dots, h^n, \dots$ are all different.

By weak o-minimality $H = A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k$, where the set A_i are convex. So there is some k such that A_k contains at least two elements h^n and h^m with $n < m$. Then $(h^n, h^m) \subseteq A_k$ because A_k is convex.

By the other hand $e < g < h$ and $h^n < h^n \cdot g < h^{n-1} \leq h^m$. Hence, $h^n \cdot g \in A_k$ and $h^{n-1} \cdot g \in H$. But since $h^{n-1} \in H$, so $g = h^{n-1} \cdot h \cdot g \in H$, for a contradiction.

Lemma 2.2 Let (G, \leq, \cdot, e) be a partially ordered weakly o-minimal group. Then any two positive elements commute, that is if $g_1 > e, g_2 > e$ then $g_1 g_2 = g_2 g_1$.

Proof: Consider the centralizer $C(g)$ of some element $g \in G$. It is definable by $C(x) = (x \cdot g = g \cdot x)$. Clearly, the centralizer $C(g)$ is a subgroup.

Case 1) $g_1 < g_2$. Then $g_1 \in (e, g_2) \cap C(g)$ by Lemma 2.1. So $g_1 \in C(g_2)$ and $g_1 g_2 = g_2 g_1$.

Case 2) $g_2 < g_1$ is similar.

Case 3) g_1 and g_2 are incomparable. Since $e < g_1$ we obtain that $g_2 < g_1 g_2$. By Case 1) g_2 and $g_1 g_2$ commute, that is $g_2 (g_1 g_2) = (g_1 g_2) g_2$.

Then $g_2 g_1 g_2 = g_1 g_2 g_2$ and canceling g_2 from the right we obtain that $g_1 g_2 = g_1 g_2$ (12 from the right we obtain that).

Lemma 2.3 Let (G, \leq, \cdot, e) be a partially ordered weakly o-minimal group. Then any two elements comparable with e commute.

Proof: Let g_1, g_2 be comparable with e .

- 1) $g_1 > e, g_2 > e$ follows from Lemma 2.2.
- $g_1 < e, g_2 > e$

2) $g_1 < e, g_2 < e$. Then $g_1^{-1} g_2 = g_2 g_1^{-1}$ because $g_1^{-1} > e$. Then $g_1 g_2 g_1 = g_1 g_2 g_1$ (12 from the right we obtain that).

3) $g_1 > e, g_2 < e$ is similar to Case 2

4) $g_1 < e, g_2 < e$ follows from Case 1.

Theorem 2.4 Let (G, \leq, \cdot, e) be a lattice ordered weakly o-minimal group. Then G is abelian.

Proof. Let $g_1, g_2 \in G$. Let $h_1 = e \boxplus g_1, h_2 = e \boxplus g_2$. Then both h_1 and h_2 are positive, so by Lemma 2.2 $h_1 h_2 = h_2 h_1$.

Let

$$f_1 = e \boxplus g_1, f_2 = e \boxplus g_2$$

$$f_i = e \boxplus g_i = e(e \boxplus g_i)^{-1} g_i = h_i^{-1} \cdot g_i$$

$$g_i = h_i \cdot f_i$$

$$g_1 g_2 = h_1 f_1 h_2 f_2$$

Since h_1, h_2, f_1, f_2 are comparable with e , all of them commute. Then

$$g_1 g_2 = h_1 f_1 h_2 f_2 = h_2 f_2 h_1 f_1 = g_2 g_1$$

From now on we shall use the additive notation of the group operation.

Theorem 2.5 Let $(G, \leq, +, 0)$ be a lattice ordered weakly o-minimal group. Then G is divisible.

Proof. Let $g \in G$. We have to prove that for each positive integer n there is some element $h \in G$ such that $nh = g$, that is the element g is n -divisible. Assume the contrary, that there exists an element g which is not n -divisible for some n .

Case 1. The element g is positive, that is $g > 0$. Consider the subgroup nG . It is definable by the formula $\exists x (xy = x)$. By weak o-minimality it is a finite union of convex sets K_1, \dots, K_m .

Let h be in nG . Consider the following sequence: $a_k = h + kg$. Since the element g is positive, this sequence is strictly increasing. Note that a_k belongs to nG iff k is divisible by n . So, infinitely many elements from the sequence belongs to nG . Since n is finite there is some index j such that for some $0 < s < q$ it holds that both a_{sn} and a_{qn} belong to K_j . Then the whole interval (a_{sn}, a_{qn}) is a subset of K_j , and hence of nG . But $a_{s(n+1)}$ belongs to this interval, but is not n -divisible, for a contradiction.

Case 2. The element g is negative. Then the element $-g$ is positive and is not n -divisible. So we obtain Case 1.

Case 3. The element g is not comparable with 0 and each element, which is comparable with 0 , is n -divisible. By Proposition 1.1 it holds that $g \vee 0 = g - (g \boxminus 0) + 0 = g - (g \boxminus 0)$. Or equivalently, $g = (g \wedge 0) + (g \vee 0)$. But the last two elements are comparable with 0 , so they are divisible by n , as well as their sum, which is equal to g . We obtain a contradiction.

Theorem 2.6 Let $(G, \leq, +, 0)$ be a lattice ordered weakly o-minimal group. Then G is dense.

Proof. Let $g \in G$ be positive. By Theorem 2.5 there is some element $h \in G$ such that $2h = g$. By Proposition 1.4 the element h is positive. Thus, $0 < h$ implies $0 + h < h + h$, that is, $h < 2h$. Thus, there is no minimal positive elements.

Let $a < b$ be two elements of G . Let $2h = b - a$. Since $0 < b - a$, so by Proposition 1.4 it holds that $0 < h$. Then $a < a + h < a + h + h = b$. That is why the order is dense.

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Түйін

Егер кез-келген формулдық көпмүшенің жиынтығының біріккен көпмүшелігінің жиынтығы болса, онда торланып реттелген құрылым босан о-минималды деп аталады. Босан о-минималды торланып реттелген топтардың коммутативтік пен бөлінгіштігі дәлелденді.

Resume

A lattice ordered structure is called weakly o-minimal if any definable subset is a finite union of convex sets. In the paper we prove that any weakly o-minimal lattice ordered group is Abelian, divisible and dense.

Özet

Herhangi tanımlanabilen alt dışbükey kümeler sonlu bir sendika ise bir kafes sıralanmıştır yapıyı zayıf o-minimal denir. Yazıda, herhangi bir zayıf halka-minimum kafes sipariş grubu, Abel bölünebilir ve yoğun olduğunu kanıtlaması söz konusu oldu.