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## PRODUCTS OF RADICAL CLASSES OF LATTICE ORDERED GROUPS

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**1. Introduction.** The notion of radical class of lattice ordered groups has been introduced in [3]. Martinez [4] investigated torsion classes of lattice ordered groups. Each torsion class of lattice ordered groups is a radical class.

For any lattice ordered group  $G$  and any radical class  $A$  we denote by  $\varrho(A)(G)$  the join of all convex  $l$ -subgroups of  $G$  belonging to the class  $A$ . Then  $\varrho(A)(G)$  is an  $l$ -ideal of  $G$ ; it is said to be the radical of  $G$  corresponding to the radical class  $A$ .

Let  $A, B$  be radical classes of lattice ordered groups. The class of all lattice ordered groups  $G$  having the property that  $G/\varrho(A)(G)$  belongs to  $B$  will be denoted by  $AB$ .

For torsion classes the following assertions are known to be valid [4]:

( $\alpha_1$ ) If  $A, B$  are torsion classes of lattice ordered groups, then  $AB$  is also a torsion class.

( $\alpha_2$ ) If  $A_i, B_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are torsion classes of lattice ordered groups such that  $A_i \subseteq B_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ), then  $A_1 A_2 \subseteq B_1 B_2$ .

(For further results on products of torsion classes cf. [4] and [2].)

In this paper it will be shown that if  $A, B$  are radical classes of lattice ordered groups, then  $AB$  is also a radical class. There will be described radical classes generated by linearly ordered groups and by means of this description the validity of the assertion ( $\alpha_2$ ) for radical classes will be investigated. It will be shown that if  $A$  is a radical class generated by linearly ordered groups, then  $A$  cannot be represented as a product  $BC$  of radical classes  $B, C$  with  $B \neq \{0\} \neq C$ . For any radical classes  $A, B$ , the lattice of radical classes generated by the set  $\{A, B, AB\}$  will be characterized. It will be proved that if  $A, B$  are radical classes generated by linearly ordered groups and if  $G \in AB$ , then no convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$  can be expressed as a direct product of an infinite number of nonzero lattice ordered groups.

**2. Preliminaries.** Let us recall some basis definitions.

A nonempty class  $A$  of lattice ordered groups is said to be a radical class if it has the following properties:

- (a)  $A$  is closed with respect to isomorphisms.
- (b) If  $H \in A$  and  $H_1$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ , then  $H_1 \in A$ .
- (c) If  $G$  is a lattice ordered group and  $\{H_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a family of convex  $l$ -subgroups of  $G$  such that each  $H_i$  belongs to  $A$ , then  $\bigvee_{i \in I} H_i$  also belongs to  $A$ .

A radical class that is closed with respect to homomorphisms is called a torsion class. Each variety of lattice ordered groups is a torsion class (Holland [1]).

For each nonempty class  $L$  of lattice ordered groups we denote by  $R(L)$  the intersection of all radical classes  $A$  having the property that  $L \subseteq A$ . Then  $R(L)$  is obviously a radical class;  $R(L)$  will be called the radical class generated by  $L$ .

If  $H_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) are lattice ordered groups, then we denote by  $\prod'_{i \in I} H_i$  and  $\prod^c_{i \in I} H_i$  their restricted direct product and (complete) direct product, respectively. Let  $K_j$  ( $j \in J$ ) be convex  $l$ -subgroups of a lattice ordered group  $G$ . Consider the following conditions:

- (i) For each  $j \in J$  and each element  $0 \leq g \in G$  the set  $[0, g] \cap K_j$  possesses the greatest element (this element will be denoted by  $g_j$  or  $g(K_j)$ ).
- (ii)  $g = \bigvee_{j \in J} g_j$  holds for each  $0 \leq g \in G$ .
- (iii)  $K_{j_1} \cap K_{j_2} = \{0\}$  whenever  $j_1$  and  $j_2$  are distinct elements of  $J$ .
- (iv<sub>1</sub>) If  $0 \leq h^j \in K_j$  for each  $j \in J$ , then there exists  $g \in G$  such that  $g_j = h^j$  for each  $j \in J$ .
- (iv<sub>2</sub>) For each  $0 < g \in G$ , the set of those  $g_j$  ( $j \in J$ ) that are distinct from 0 is finite.

If (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv<sub>1</sub>) are valid, then  $G$  is said to be the (internal) direct product of its  $l$ -subgroups  $K_j$  ( $j \in J$ ) and we denote this fact by writing  $G = \prod_{j \in J} K_j$ . We write  $G = \prod'_{j \in J} K_j$  if the conditions (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv<sub>2</sub>) hold; in this case  $G$  is said to be a restricted (internal) direct product of its  $l$ -subgroups  $K_j$  ( $j \in J$ ). It is easy to verify that there exists an isomorphism of  $\prod_{j \in J} K_j$  onto  $\prod^c_{j \in J} K_j$  and an isomorphism of  $\prod'_{j \in J} K_j$  onto  $\prod^c_{j \in J} K_j$ .

Let  $K_1$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $K_2, K_3, \dots, K_n$  be linearly ordered groups. We denote by  $K_1 \circ K_2 \circ \dots \circ K_n$  (the lexicographic product of  $K_1, \dots, K_n$ ) the set of all  $n$ -tuples  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  such that  $a_i \in K_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with a binary operation  $+$  defined coordinatenwise and by a partial order  $\leq$  defined as follows: for  $a, b \in K_1 \circ \dots \circ K_n$ ,  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ,  $b = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$  with  $a \neq b$  let  $i_0 \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  be such that  $a_i = b_i$  for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $i > i_0$ , and  $a_{i_0} \neq b_{i_0}$ ; we put  $a < b$  iff  $a_{i_0} < b_{i_0}$ . Then  $K = K_1 \circ \dots \circ K_n$  is a lattice ordered group;  $K$  is linearly ordered if and only if  $K_1$  is linearly ordered.

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

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

$X^\delta$  is said to be a polar of  $G$ ; each polar of  $G$  is a closed convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$  (cf. Šik [5]).

The symbols  $N_0$ ,  $R_0$  and  $R_1$  will denote the additive group of all integers, all reals or all rational numbers, respectively, with the natural linear order.

**3. Radical classes generated by linearly ordered groups.** The following assertion is contained in [3]:

**3.1. Lemma.** Let  $A$  be a radical class of lattice ordered groups. Let  $H_1$  be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of a lattice ordered group  $H$ . Then  $\varrho(A)(H_1) = H_1 \cap \varrho(A)(H)$ .

**3.2. Proposition.** Let  $A$ ,  $B$  be radical classes of lattice ordered groups. Then  $C = AB$  is a radical class as well.

**Proof.** The validity of the condition (a) for  $C$  is obvious. Let  $H \in C$  and let  $H_1$  be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ . For proving (b) we have to verify that  $H_1/\varrho(A)(H_1)$  belongs to  $B$ . From 3.1 it follows that  $H_1/\varrho(A)(H_1)$  is isomorphic with  $(H_1 \vee \varrho(A)(H))/\varrho(A)(H)$ . The lattice ordered group  $(H_1 \vee \varrho(A)(H))/\varrho(A)(H)$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H/\varrho(A)(H)$ . Since  $H \in C$ , we have  $H/\varrho(A)(H) \in B$  and hence (because  $B$  fulfils (b)) we infer that  $(H_1 \vee \varrho(A)(H))/\varrho(A)(H)$  belongs to  $B$ . Thus  $H_1/\varrho(A)(H_1) \in B$  and therefore  $H_1 \in C$ . Hence  $C$  fulfils the condition (b).

Let  $H_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be convex  $l$ -subgroups of a lattice ordered group  $G$ ,  $\bigvee_{i \in I} H_i = H$ . Suppose that each  $H_i$  belongs to  $C$ . We have to verify that  $H/\varrho(A)(H) \in B$ . Let  $i \in I$ . Then  $H_i/\varrho(A)(H_i) \in B$  and according to 3.1,

$$(1) \quad \varrho(A)(H_i) = H_i \cap \varrho(A)(H)$$

holds. Denote  $\tilde{H}_i = (H_i \vee \varrho(A)(H))/\varrho(A)(H)$ ,  $\tilde{H} = H/\varrho(A)(H)$ . From (1) it follows that  $H_i/\varrho(A)(H_i)$  is isomorphic with  $\tilde{H}_i$ , hence  $\tilde{H}_i \in B$  for each  $i \in I$ . Thus  $\bigvee_{i \in I} \tilde{H}_i \in B$ . Let  $H_0$  be the set of all  $g \in H$  such that  $g + \varrho(A)(H) \in \bigvee \tilde{H}_i$ . From the fact that  $\bigvee \tilde{H}_i$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $\tilde{H}$  it follows that  $H_0$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $H$ . Clearly  $H_i \subseteq H_0$  for each  $i \in I$  and thus  $H_0 = H$ . Therefore  $\bigvee \tilde{H}_i = \tilde{H}$ , which implies  $\tilde{H} \in B$ , completing the proof.

**3.3. Lemma.** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be convex linearly ordered  $l$ -subgroups of a lattice ordered group  $G$ . Suppose that  $H_1 \cap H_2 \neq \{0\}$ . Then  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are comparable (i.e., either  $H_1 \subseteq H_2$  or  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ ).

**Proof.** From  $H_1 \cap H_2 \neq \{0\}$  it follows that there exists  $0 < g \in H_1 \cap H_2$ . Assume that neither  $H_1 \subseteq H_2$  nor  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$  holds. Then there are elements  $0 < h_1 \in H_1$ ,  $0 < h_2 \in H_2$  such that  $h_1 \notin H_2$  and  $h_2 \notin H_1$ . Put  $u = h_1 - h_1 \wedge h_2$ ,  $v = h_2 - h_1 \wedge h_2$ . Thus  $0 < u \in H_1$ ,  $0 < v \in H_2$  and  $u \wedge v = 0$ . Now both  $u$  and  $v$  must be comparable with  $g$ , but each of the relations  $g \geq u$  and  $g \leq u$  leads to a contradiction. Therefore  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are comparable.

**3.4. Theorem.** Let  $L$  be a nonempty class of linearly ordered groups. Suppose

that  $L$  is closed with respect to isomorphisms. Let  $\{0\} \neq G$  be a lattice ordered group. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $G \in R(L)$ .
- (ii) There are linearly ordered convex  $l$ -subgroups  $\{0\} \neq A_i$  ( $i \in I$ ),  $A_{ij}$  ( $j \in J(i)$ ,  $i \in I$ ) of  $G$  such that each  $A_{ij}$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of a lattice ordered group belonging to  $L$ ,  $A_i = \bigcup_{j \in J(i)} A_{ij}$  is valid for each  $i \in I$ , and  $G = \prod_{i \in I} A_i$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that (ii) is valid. From (b) and (c) it follows that all  $A_i$  belong to  $R(L)$ . Clearly  $\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i = G$  and hence according to (c),  $G$  is an element of  $R(L)$ . Thus (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i).

Let  $T$  be the class of all lattice ordered groups  $G$  fulfilling the condition (ii). Then  $L \subseteq T \subseteq R(L)$ . Hence for proving that (i) implies (ii) it suffices to verify that  $T$  is a radical class. Obviously  $T$  fulfils (a). Let  $G$  be as in (ii) and let  $K$  be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$ . Then  $K = \prod_{i \in I} (K \cap A_i)$  and  $K \cap A_i = \bigcup_{j \in J(i)} (K \cap A_{ij})$  holds for each  $i \in I$ , whence  $K \in T$ . Thus  $T$  fulfils the condition (b).

Let  $G$  be any lattice ordered group and let  $\{H_m\}$  ( $m \in M$ ) be a system of convex  $l$ -subgroups of  $G$  such that each  $H_m$  belongs to  $T$  and  $H_m \neq \{0\}$ . Thus each  $H_m$  fulfils (ii); let  $A_{mi}$  ( $i \in I_m$ ) and  $A_{mij}$  ( $j \in J_m(i)$ ,  $i \in I_m$ ) be the corresponding linearly ordered groups with properties analogous to those of  $A_i$  and  $A_{ij}$  in the condition (ii). Without loss of generality we can assume that all linearly ordered groups  $A_{mij}$  are nonzero. Let  $m_1 \in M$  and  $i_1 \in I_m$  be fixed. We denote by  $(A_{m_1 i_1})^\sim$  the set of all linearly ordered groups  $A_{mi}$  such that  $A_{mi} \cap A_{m_1 i_1} \neq \{0\}$ . Then  $X \cap Y \neq \{0\}$  for each  $X, Y \in (A_{m_1 i_1})^\sim$  and hence according to 3.3,  $X$  and  $Y$  are comparable. Thus the set-theoretical union  $A_{m_1 i_1}^*$  of all linearly ordered groups belonging to  $(A_{m_1 i_1})^\sim$  is a convex linearly ordered  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$ .

We denote by  $S = \{X_p\}_{p \in P}$  the set of all linearly ordered groups  $A_{mi}^*$  ( $m \in M$ ,  $i \in I_m$ ). Further we denote by  $H_0$  the set of all elements of  $G^+$  that can be expressed as a join of a finite number of elements of the set  $\bigcup_{p \in P} X_p$ . Then  $H_0$  is a convex sublattice of the lattice  $(G^+; \leq)$  and, at the same time,  $H_0$  is a subsemigroup of the semigroup  $(G^+; +)$ . From this it follows that the set  $H = \{g_1 - g_2 : g_1, g_2 \in H_0\}$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$ .

Put  $\bigvee_{m \in M} H_m = H'$ . From the definition of  $H$  we obtain immediately that  $H \subseteq H'$  holds. Let  $m \in M$  and  $0 < h \in H_m$ . Then  $h$  is a join of a finite number of elements belonging to  $\bigcup_{i \in I_m} A_{mi}$ . Since  $A_{mi} \subseteq A_{mi}^*$ , we get  $h \in H_0$ . Therefore  $H_m \subseteq H$  for each  $m \in M$ . From this and from the fact that  $H$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$  it follows  $H' \subseteq H$ . Hence  $H' = H$ .

For verifying that the condition (c) holds for the class  $T$  we have to show that  $H$  fulfils the condition (ii).

Consider the linearly ordered  $l$ -subgroups  $X_p$  ( $p \in P$ ) and  $A_{mij}$  ( $m \in M$ ,  $i \in I_m$ ,  $j \in J_m(i)$ ). According to the construction of  $X_p$ , each  $X_p$  is a union of some  $A_{mij}$ . Hence it suffices to verify that  $H = \prod_{p \in P} X_p$  holds.

Let  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  be distinct elements of  $P$ . From the construction of  $X_{p_1}$  and  $X_{p_2}$  it

follows immediately that  $X_{p_1} \cap X_{p_2} = \{0\}$  is valid. Let  $p \in P$  and  $0 < g \in H$ . Then there are distinct indices  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \in P$  and elements  $0 < x_1 \in X_{p_1}, \dots, 0 < x_m \in X_{p_m}$  such that  $g = x_1 \vee \dots \vee x_m$ . If  $p \notin \{p_1, \dots, p_m\}$ , then  $[0, g] \cap X_p = \{0\}$ . Let  $y \in [0, g] \cap X_{p_1}$ . We have  $y = y \wedge g = y \wedge (x_1 \vee \dots \vee x_m) = y \wedge x_1$ , whence  $x_1$  is the greatest element of the set  $[0, g] \cap X_{p_1}$ ; the situation for  $p_2, \dots, p_m$  is analogous. Thus (under the denotation as in the definition of the internal restricted direct product) we have  $g_p = 0$  whenever  $p \notin \{p_1, \dots, p_m\}$ , and  $g_{p_1} = x_1, \dots, g_{p_m} = x_m$ , completing the proof.

**3.5. Lemma.** Let  $A$  be a radical class generated by linearly ordered groups and let  $A'$  be a radical class of lattice ordered groups such that  $A'$  is a subclass of  $A$ . Let  $L'$  be the class of all linearly ordered groups belonging to  $A'$ . Then  $A' = R(L')$ .

This follows immediately from 3.4.

**3.6. Lemma.** Let  $A$  be a radical class generated by linearly ordered groups. Let  $G_1$  be a lattice ordered group that is not linearly ordered and let  $G_2 \neq \{0\}$  be a linearly ordered group. Then  $G_1 \circ G_2$  does not belong to  $A$ .

**Proof.** The lattice ordered group  $G = G_1 \circ G_2$  is not linearly ordered and there exists  $0 < g \in G$  such that  $g > g_1$  holds for each element  $g_1 \in G$  incomparable with 0. From 3.4 it follows that if  $G \in A$ , then no element  $g$  having the mentioned property can exist in  $G$ ; hence  $G \notin A$ .

The radical class containing only the one-element lattice ordered group  $\{0\}$  will be called trivial. Let  $L_0$  be the class of all linearly ordered groups distinct from  $\{0\}$ .

**3.7. Lemma.** Let  $A$  be a radical class generated by linearly ordered groups. Then  $A$  cannot be represented as a product  $BC$  where  $B$  is a nontrivial radical class and  $C \cap L_0 \neq \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** Assume that there are radical classes  $B, C$  with  $A = BC$ , where  $B$  is a nontrivial radical class and  $C \cap L_0 \neq \emptyset$ . Hence there exist lattice ordered groups  $\{0\} \neq G_1 \in B, G_2 \in C \cap L_0$ . Put  $G = (G_1 \times G_1) \circ G_2, H = \rho(B)(G)$ . The elements of  $G$  are triples  $(g_1, g'_1, g_2)$  with  $g_1, g'_1 \in G_1, g_2 \in G_2$ . Let  $H_1$  be the set of all  $(g_1, g'_1, g_2) \in G$  with  $g_2 = 0$ . Then  $H_1$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$  isomorphic with  $G_1 \times G_1$ , whence  $H_1 \subset H$ . Let  $G'_2$  be the set of all  $g_2 \in G_2$  having the property that there are  $g_1, g'_1 \in G_1$  with  $(g_1, g'_1, g_2) \in H$ . Then  $G'_2$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G_2$  (thus  $G'_2$  is linearly ordered) and  $H = (G_1 \times G_1) \circ G'_2$ . Hence  $(G_1 \times G_1) \circ G'_2 \in B$ . From  $A = BC$  it follows  $B \subseteq A$ , thus according to 3.5  $B$  is a radical class generated by linearly ordered groups. From this and from 3.6 we obtain  $G'_2 = \{0\}$ , hence  $H = H_1$ . Therefore  $G/\rho(B)(G)$  is isomorphic with  $G_2$  and  $G \in BC = A$ . But this contradicts 3.6, since  $A$  is generated by linearly ordered groups.

**3.8. Theorem.** Let  $A$  be a radical class generated by linearly ordered groups. Then  $A$  cannot be represented as a product  $BC$  of nontrivial radical classes  $B$  and  $C$ .

**Proof.** Assume that there exist nontrivial radical classes  $B, C$  such that  $A = BC$ . Let  $A$  be generated by a class  $L$  of linearly ordered groups. Let  $\{0\} \neq A_i \in L$ . Then  $A_i \in BC$ , whence  $A_i/\varrho(B)(A_i) \in C$ . Since  $A_i/\varrho(B)(A_i)$  is linearly ordered and since in view of 3.7 we have  $C \cap L_0 = \emptyset$ , we infer that  $A_i/\varrho(B)(A_i) = \{0\}$ . Therefore  $\varrho(B)(A_i) = A_i$ , whence  $L \subseteq B$ . From this it follows  $A \subseteq B$ . On the other hand, from  $A = BC$  we get  $B \subseteq A$ ; thus  $B = A$  and  $A = AC$ . There exists  $\{0\} \neq G \in C$ . Denote  $G_1 = \varrho(A)(G)$ . If  $G_1 \neq \{0\}$ , then according to 3.4 there exists a convex  $l$ -subgroup  $\{0\} \neq G_2$  of  $G_1$  such that  $G_2$  is linearly ordered; in such a case we would have  $G_2 \in C$  (since  $G_2$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$ ), whence  $C \cap L_0 \neq \emptyset$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $\varrho(A)(G) = \{0\}$ . Hence  $G/\varrho(A)(G)$  is isomorphic with  $G$  and therefore  $G$  belongs to  $AC$ . Because of  $AC = A$  we have  $G \in A$ , whence  $\varrho(A)(G) = G$ , a contradiction.

**4. The condition  $(\alpha_2)$ .** In this paragraph it will be shown that the condition  $(\alpha_2)$  does not hold, in general, for radical classes of lattice ordered groups; i.e., there are radical classes  $A_i, B_i$  with  $A_i \subseteq B_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) such that  $A_1 A_2$  fails to be a subclass of  $B_1 B_2$ .

**4.1. Lemma.** Let  $A$  be a radical class of lattice ordered groups. Let  $H_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be convex  $l$ -subgroups of a lattice ordered group  $H$ ,  $\bigvee_{i \in I} H_i = H$ . Then  $\varrho(A)(H) = \bigvee_{i \in I} \varrho(A)(H_i)$ .

**Proof.** Denote  $\varrho(A)(H) = K$ . According to 3.1 we have

$$K = K \cap H = K \cap \left( \bigvee_{i \in I} H_i \right) = \bigvee_{i \in I} (K \cap H_i) = \bigvee_{i \in I} \varrho(A)(H_i)$$

Let us denote

$$G_1 = N_0 \circ R_0, \quad G_2 = N_0 \circ R_0 \circ N_0$$

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be the radical class of lattice ordered groups that is generated by the set  $\{G_1\}$  or  $\{G_2\}$ , respectively. If  $K \neq \{0\}$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G_1$ , then either  $K = G_1$  or  $K$  is isomorphic with  $N_0$ . Similarly, if  $K \neq \{0\}$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G_2$  and  $K \neq G_2$ , then  $K$  is isomorphic either with  $N_0$  or with  $G_1$ . From this and from 3.4 we obtain:

**4.2. Lemma.** Let  $G \neq \{0\}$  be a lattice ordered group. Then

(i)  $G$  belongs to  $A$  if and only if  $G$  can be expressed as a restricted direct product  $G = \prod'_{i \in I} A_i$  such that each  $A_i$  is isomorphic to some of the linearly ordered groups  $N_0, G_1$ ;

(ii)  $G$  belongs to  $B$  if and only if  $G$  can be expressed in the form  $G = \prod'_{i \in I} A_i$  such that each  $A_i$  is isomorphic to some of the linearly ordered groups  $N_0, G_1, G_2$ .

Clearly  $A$  is a proper subclass of  $B$ . We shall show that  $A^2$  fails to be a subclass of  $B^2$ ; moreover, the class of nonisomorphic types of lattice ordered groups that belong to  $A^2$  and do not belong to  $B^2$  is a proper class.

Let  $I$  be a nonempty set. There exists a lattice ordered group  $G(I)$  that can be expressed as  $G(I) = \prod'_{i \in I} G_i$ , where each  $G_i$  is isomorphic with  $H = N_0 \circ R_0 \circ N_0 \circ R_0$ .

For any nonempty sets  $I, I'$  the lattice ordered groups  $G(I)$  and  $G(I')$  are isomorphic if and only if  $\text{card } I = \text{card } I'$ .

We have  $\varrho(A)(H) = N_0 \circ R_0 \circ \{0\} \circ \{0\}$ , whence  $H/\varrho(A)(H)$  is isomorphic with  $N_0 \circ R_0 = G_1$ , and thus  $H \in A^2$ . Clearly  $G(I) = \bigvee_{i \in I} G_i$ . From this and from 4.1 we obtain  $\varrho(A)(G(I)) = \bigvee_{i \in I} \varrho(A)(G_i) \in A$  (because  $\varrho(A)(G_i)$  is isomorphic with  $\varrho(A)(H)$ ). Hence  $G(I) \in A^2$ .

Similarly we have  $\varrho(B)(H) = N_0 \circ R_0 \circ N_0 \circ \{0\}$  and thus  $H/\varrho(B)(H)$  is isomorphic with  $R_0$ . Hence according to 4.2,  $H/\varrho(B)(H)$  does not belong to  $B$  and therefore  $H$  does not belong to  $B^2$ . By applying 4.1 we infer that  $G(I)$  does not belong to  $B^2$ . So we have verified that the condition  $(\alpha_2)$  does not hold for products of radical classes.

We can also consider the question whether for each triple of radical classes  $A, B, C$  of lattice ordered groups the implications

$$(2) \quad A \subseteq B \Rightarrow CA \subseteq CB,$$

$$(3) \quad A \subseteq B \Rightarrow AC \subseteq BC$$

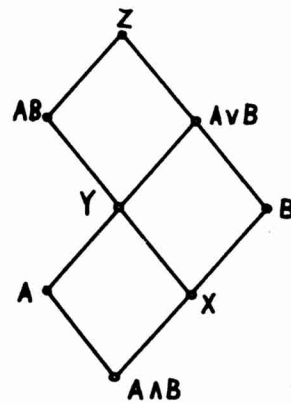
are valid.

The implication (2) follows immediately from the definition of the product of radical classes. If  $A$  and  $B$  have the same meaning as above, then we have  $A \subset B$  and

$$A^2 \not\subseteq BA, \quad AB \not\subseteq B^2$$

(these relations can be proved by analogous reasoning as we did by proving  $A^2 \not\subseteq B^2$ ); hence (3) does not hold in general.

Let  $A, B$  be radical classes of lattice ordered groups. Then  $A \cap B$  is a radical class and clearly  $A \cap B$  is the greatest radical class that is a subclass of both  $A$  and



Obr. 1



$B$ . Thus we can denote  $A \cap B = A \wedge B$ . If  $C$  is a radical class such that  $C \supseteq A$ ,  $C \supseteq B$ , and  $C \subseteq C_1$  whenever  $C_1$  is a radical class with  $C_1 \supseteq A$ ,  $C_1 \supseteq B$ , then we shall write  $C = A \vee B$ .

**4.3. Lemma.** (Cf. [3].) For each pair of radical classes  $A, B$  of lattice ordered groups there exists a radical class  $C$  such that  $C = A \vee B$ . Moreover, for any triple of radical classes  $A_1, A_2, B$  we have  $(A_1 \vee A_2) \wedge B = (A_1 \wedge B) \vee (A_2 \wedge B)$ .

**4.4. Proposition.** Let  $A, B$  be radical classes of lattice ordered groups. Then the lattice  $L^1$  of radical classes generated by the set  $\{A, B, AB\}$  is a homomorphic image of the lattice  $L^0$  on Fig. 1. There exist radical classes  $A, B$  such that the corresponding lattice  $L^1$  is isomorphic to  $L^0$ .

**Proof.** From the distributivity of  $L^1$  and from  $A \subseteq AB$  it follows that  $L^1$  is a homomorphic image of  $L^0$ . We denote by  $A$  and  $B$  the radical class generated by the set  $\{N_0 \circ R_0\}$  or  $\{N_0 \circ N_0, N_0 \circ R_1\}$  respectively. Put  $(AB) \vee (A \vee B) = Z$ ,  $(AB) \wedge (A \vee B) = Y$ ,  $(AB) \wedge B = X$ .

From 3.4 it follows that  $N_0 \circ R_0 \notin B$ , whence  $A \wedge B \subset A$ , and thus  $X \subset Y$ ,  $B \subset A \vee B$ . Further we infer from 3.4 that  $A \vee B$  is the class of all lattice ordered groups  $G$  that can be expressed as  $G = \prod_{i \in I} G_i$ , where each  $G_i$  is isomorphic to some of the linearly ordered groups  $N_0, N_0 \circ N_0, N_0 \circ R_0, N_0 \circ R_1$ . The lattice ordered group  $N_0 \circ R_0 \circ N_0 \circ R_1$  belongs to  $AB$  and fails to belong to  $A \vee B$ , whence  $Y \subset AB$  and thus  $A \vee B \subset Z$ . Clearly  $N_0 \circ R_1 \in B$  and  $(N_0 \circ R_1) / \varrho(A)(N_0 \circ R_1)$  is isomorphic with  $R_1$ , thus  $N_0 \circ R_1$  does not belong to  $AB$ . Therefore  $X \subset B$  and hence  $Y \subset A \vee B$ ,  $AB \subset Z$ . Next we have  $N_0 \circ N_0 \in B$ ,  $N_0 \circ N_0 \in AB$  and  $N_0 \circ N_0 \notin A$ , whence  $A \wedge B \subset X$ ,  $A \subset Y$ , completing the proof.

**5. Direct decompositions.** In this section the following result will be proved:

**5.1. Theorem.** Let  $A, B$  be radical classes generated by linearly ordered groups and let  $G \in AB$ . Let  $D$  be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$ . Then  $D$  cannot be expressed as a direct product of an infinite number of lattice ordered groups distinct from  $\{0\}$ .

For proving 5.1 we need some lemmas.

**5.2. Lemma.** Let  $A, B$  be radical classes of lattice ordered groups and let  $G \in AB$ . Then  $(\varrho(A)(G))^\delta \in B$ .

**Proof.** Denote  $G_1 = \varrho(A)(G)$ ,  $G_2 = (\varrho(A)(G))^\delta$ . Then  $G_1 \cap G_2 = \{0\}$  and  $\varrho(A)(G_1 \vee G_2) = G_1$ . Since  $AB$  is a radical class,  $G_1 \vee G_2$  belongs to  $AB$ , hence  $G_1 \vee G_2 / G_1$  belongs to  $B$ . The lattice ordered groups  $G_1 \vee G_2 / G_1$  and  $G_2 / \{0\} = G_2$  being isomorphic, we obtain  $G_2 \in B$ .

**5.3. Lemma.** Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group,  $0 < a_i \in G$  ( $i \in I$ ),  $0 < d_s \in G$  ( $s \in S$ ),  $g \in G$ ,  $g = \bigvee_{i \in I} a_i$ ,  $g = \bigvee_{s \in S} d_s$ . Suppose that  $[0, a_i]$  is a chain for each  $i \in I$ . Further suppose that  $a_i \wedge a_{i_1} = 0$  whenever  $i$  and  $i_1$  are distinct elements of  $I$ , and that  $d_s \wedge d_{s_1} = 0$  whenever  $s$  and  $s_1$  are distinct elements of  $S$ . Then there exists a mapping  $\varphi$  of  $I$  onto  $S$  such that  $d_s = \bigvee_{i \in \varphi^{-1}(s)} a_i$  holds for each  $s \in S$ .

**Proof.** Let  $i \in I$ . From

$$(4) \quad a_i = a_i \wedge g = \bigvee_{s \in S} (a_i \wedge d_s)$$

it follows that there exists  $s \in S$  with  $a_i \wedge d_s > 0$ . Let  $s_1 \in S$ ,  $s_1 \neq s$ . If  $a_i \wedge d_{s_1} > 0$ , then  $0 = d_s \wedge d_{s_1} \geq (d_s \wedge a_i) \wedge (d_{s_1} \wedge a_i) > 0$  (because  $d_s \wedge a_i, d_{s_1} \wedge a_i \in [0, a_i]$ ), which is a contradiction. Thus  $a_i \wedge d_{s_1} = 0$  for each  $s_1 \in S$ ,  $s_1 \neq s$ . Put  $\varphi(i) = s$ . Hence according to (4),  $a_i = a_i \wedge d_{\varphi(i)}$ .

Let  $s$  be any element of  $S$ . We have

$$d_s = d_s \wedge g = \bigvee_{i \in I} (d_s \wedge a_i)$$

hence there is  $i \in I$  with  $d_s \wedge a_i > 0$ ; thus  $s = \varphi(i)$  and  $\varphi$  is a mapping of  $I$  onto  $S$ . Since  $a_j \wedge d_s = 0$  whenever  $j \notin \varphi^{-1}(s)$  and  $a_j \wedge d_s = a_j$  if  $j \in \varphi^{-1}(s)$ , we obtain  $d_s = \bigvee_{i \in \varphi^{-1}(s)} a_i$ .

In what follows we assume that  $L$  and  $L'$  are nonempty classes of linearly ordered groups and that  $A$  and  $B$  are radical classes generated by  $L$  or  $L'$ , respectively.

**5.4. Lemma.** Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $D$  be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $\varrho(A)(G)$ . Then  $D$  cannot be expressed as a direct product of an infinite number of lattice ordered groups distinct from  $\{0\}$ .

**Proof.** Assume that  $D$  can be expressed in the form  $D = \prod_{s \in S_1} D_s$  with  $D_s \neq \{0\}$  for each  $s \in S_1$ ,  $\text{card } S_1 \geq \aleph_0$ . Choose  $0 < d' \in D_s$  for each  $s \in S_1$ . There exists  $0 < g \in D$  with  $g(D_s) = d'$  for each  $s \in S_1$ . Then we have  $g = \bigvee_{s \in S_1} d'$ . Let  $A_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be as in 3.4 with the distinction that we take  $\varrho(A)(G)$  instead of  $G$ . There is a finite subset  $I_1$  of  $I$  such that  $g = \bigvee_{i \in I_1} g(A_i)$  and  $0 < g(A_i)$  for each  $i \in I_1$ . Hence according to 5.3 we have  $\text{card } S_1 \leq \text{card } I_1$ , which is a contradiction.

If we take  $B$  instead of  $A$ , then from 5.2 and 5.4 we obtain

**5.5. Lemma.** Let  $G \in AB$  and let  $D$  be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $(\varrho(A)(G))^{\delta}$ . Then  $D$  cannot be expressed as a direct product of an infinite number of lattice ordered groups distinct from  $\{0\}$ .

Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group. Let  $X \subseteq G$ . The closed convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$  generated by  $X$  will be denoted by  $c(X)$ . If  $H$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G$ , then  $(c(H))^+$  is the set of all elements  $g \in G$  having the property that there exists  $0 \leq b_s \in H$  ( $s \in S$ ) such that  $g = \bigvee_{s \in S} b_s$ . From this and from 3.4 it follows:

**5.6. Lemma.** Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group. Let  $A_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) be as in 3.4 with the distinction that we take  $\varrho(A)(G)$  instead of  $G$ . Let  $0 < g \in G$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

(i)  $g \in c(\varrho(A)(G))$ .

(ii) there are elements  $a_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) such that  $0 \leq a_i \in A_i$  for each  $i \in I$  and  $\bigvee_{i \in I} a_i = g$ .

**Proof.** Clearly (ii) implies (i). Suppose that (i) holds. Then there are elements  $0 < b_s \in \varrho(A)(G)$  ( $s \in S$ ) such that  $g = \bigvee_{s \in S} b_s$ . There exists a subset  $I_1$  of  $I$  having

the property that each  $b_i$  can be expressed as a join of some elements belonging to  $\bigcup_{i \in I_1} A_i$ . Hence there are elements  $0 < c_t$  ( $t \in T$ ) with  $c_t \in \bigcup_{i \in I_1} A_i$  such that  $g = \bigvee_{t \in T} c_t$ . We can assume that  $\{c_t\}_{t \in T} \cap A_i \neq \emptyset$  for each  $i \in I_1$  and that, whenever  $i \in I_1$  and  $0 < a_i \in A_i$  with  $a_i \leq g$ , then  $a_i \in \{c_t\}_{t \in T}$ .

Let  $i \in I_1$ . Suppose that  $g \geq a_i$  for each  $a_i \in A_i$ . Choose  $0 < a_0 \in A_i$ . Then

$$g < a_0 + g = a_0 + \bigvee_{t \in T} c_t = \bigvee_{t \in T} (a_0 + c_t)$$

If  $c_t \in A_i$ , then  $a_0 + c_t \in A_i$ , hence there is  $t_1 \in T$  with  $a_0 + c_t = c_{t_1}$ . If  $c_t \notin A_i$ , then  $a_0 \wedge c_t = 0$ , thus  $a_0 + c_t = a_0 \vee c_t = c_{t_2} \vee c_t$ , where  $a_0 = c_{t_2}$ . From this it follows that  $\bigvee_{t \in T} (a_0 + c_t) \leq \bigvee_{t \in T} c_t$ , hence  $a_0 + g \leq g$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore for each  $i \in I_1$  there exists  $0 < a_{0i} \in A_i$  such that  $g \not\geq a_{0i}$ . Denote  $a^i = g \wedge a_{0i}$ . It is easy to verify that  $a^i$  is the greatest element of the set  $\{a_i \in A_i : 0 < a_i \leq g\}$ . Hence  $g = \bigvee_{i \in I_1} a^i$ . If we put  $a^i = 0$  for each  $i \in I \setminus I_1$ , then  $g = \bigvee_{i \in I} a^i$ .

Denote  $\varrho(A)(G) = G_1$ ,  $G_1^\circ = G_2$ .

**5.7. Lemma.** Let  $G \in AB$  and let  $D$  be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $c(G_1)$ . Then  $D$  cannot be expressed as a direct product of an infinite number of lattice ordered groups distinct from  $\{0\}$ .

**Proof.** Assume that  $D = \prod_{s \in S} D_s$ , where  $S$  is infinite and  $D_s \neq \{0\}$  for each  $s \in S$ . According to 5.4,  $D$  cannot be a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G_1$ . Hence there exists  $0 < g_1 \in D$  such that  $g_1$  does not belong to  $G_1$ . Further there exists  $0 < g_2 \in D$  such that the set  $\{s \in S : g_2(D_s) > 0\}$  is infinite. Put  $g = g_1 \vee g_2$ . Then  $0 < g \in D$ ,  $g \notin G_1$  and the set  $S(g) = \{s \in S : g(D_s) > 0\}$  is infinite. From  $G \in AB$  it follows  $c(G_1) \in AB$ . Since  $\varrho(A)(c(G_1)) = G_1$ , we have  $c(G_1)/G_1 \in B$ . Therefore according to 3.4 there exist linearly ordered groups  $B_j$  ( $j \in J$ ) (having analogous properties to those of  $A_i$  with the distinction that  $G$  is replaced by  $c(G_1)/G_1$  and  $L$  is replaced by  $L'$ ) such that  $c(G_1)/G_1 = \prod_{j \in J} B_j$ . In  $c(G_1)/G_1$  we have  $0 < g + G_1$ , hence there exists a finite subset  $\emptyset \neq J_1$  of  $J$  such that  $g + G_1 = \bigvee_{j \in J_1} b_j$  where  $0 < b_j \in B_j$  for each  $j \in J_1$ . From this it follows that there are elements  $0 < b_j^- \in b_j$  ( $j \in J_1$ ) with  $g = \bigvee_{j \in J_1} b_j^-$ . Let  $j \in J_1$ . We have  $b_j^- \in D$ . Put  $S_j = \{s \in S : b_j^-(D_s) > 0\}$ . Obviously  $S(g) = \bigcup_{j \in J_1} S_j$ ; hence there exists  $j \in J_1$  such that  $S_j$  is infinite; let such an index  $j$  be fixed. There exist  $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots \in S_j$  such that  $s_n \neq s_m$  whenever  $n \neq m$ . Further there exists  $d \in D$  such that  $d(D_s) = 3b_j^-(D_s)$  for each  $s \in \{s_2, s_4, s_6, \dots\}$ , and  $d(D_s) = b_j^-(D_s)$  for each  $s \in S \setminus \{s_2, s_4, s_6, \dots\}$ . Then  $b_j^- < d < 4b_j^-$ , hence in  $c(G_1)/G_1$  we have  $d + G_1 > 0$  and  $d + G_1 \in B_j$ . Since  $B_j$  is linearly ordered we infer that  $d + G_1$  is comparable with  $2b_j = 2b_j^- + G_1$ .

Denote  $G_1 = \bar{0}$  (zero element in  $c(G_1)/G_1$ ),  $x = d + G_1 - (2b_j^- + G_1) = (d - 2b_j^-) + G_1$ . From the comparability of elements  $d + G_1, 2b_j^- + G_1$  it follows that either  $x \vee \bar{0} = \bar{0}$  or  $x \wedge \bar{0} = \bar{0}$ . Hence either  $(d - 2b_j^-) \vee 0 \in G_1$  or  $(d - 2b_j^-) \wedge 0 \in G_1$ . Put  $(d - 2b_j^-) \vee 0 = y$ . We have  $y(D_s) = b_j^-(D_s)$  for each  $s \in \{2, 4, 6, \dots\}$  and  $y(s) = 0$  otherwise. Clearly  $0 < y \in c(G_1)$ . According to 5.6 there is a subset  $\emptyset \neq I_1 \subseteq I$  and there are elements  $0 < a_i \in A_i$  ( $i \in I_1$ ) such that

$y = \bigvee_{i \in I_1} a_i$ . Then from 5.3 and from the fact that the set  $\{s \in S: y(s) \neq 0\}$  is infinite we obtain that  $y$  cannot belong to  $G_1$ . Similarly we can verify that  $(d - 2b_1^-) \wedge 0$  does not belong to  $G_1$  and so we arrived at a contradiction.

**Proof of 5.1:**

Assume that  $D = \prod_{s \in S} D_s$ , where  $S$  is infinite and  $D_s \neq \{0\}$  for each  $s \in S$ . As above, put  $G_1 = \varrho(A)(G)$ ,  $G_2 = (G_1)^\delta$ . We denote  $D^{(1)} = D \cap c(G_1)$ ,  $D^{(2)} = D \cap G_2$ ,  $D_s^{(1)} = D_s \cap c(G_1)$ ,  $D_s^{(2)} = D_s \cap G_2$  for each  $s \in S$ . Then  $D^{(1)}$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $c(G_1)$  and  $D^{(2)}$  is a convex  $l$ -subgroup of  $G_2$ . Since  $c(G_1)$  and  $G_2$  are closed convex  $l$ -subgroups of  $G$ , we have

$$(5) \quad D^{(1)} = \prod_{s \in S} D_s^{(1)}, \quad D^{(2)} = \prod_{s \in S} D_s^{(2)}$$

Put  $S_1 = \{s \in S: D_s^{(1)} \neq \{0\}\}$ ,  $S_2 = \{s \in S: D_s^{(2)} \neq \{0\}\}$ . For each  $s \in S$  we have either  $D_s^{(2)} = D_s \neq \{0\}$  or  $D_s^{(1)} \neq \{0\}$ . Thus we have either  $D^{(1)} = \prod_{s \in S_1} D_s^{(1)}$  with card  $S_1 \cong \aleph_0$ , or  $D^{(2)} = \prod_{s \in S_2} D_s^{(2)}$  with card  $S_2 \cong \aleph_0$ ; both these cases being impossible in view of 5.5 and 5.7, we have a contradiction.

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##### SÚČINY RADIKÁLOVÝCH TRIED ZVÄZOVO USPORIADANÝCH GRÚP

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Pojem radikálovej triedy zvázovo usporiadaných grúp bol zavedený v autorovej práci [3]. V predloženej práci sa ukazuje, že súčin takýchto radikálových tried je opäť radikálová trieda a skúmajú sa niektoré vlastnosti tohto súčinu. Je charakterizovaná radikálová trieda generovaná ľubovoľnou triedou lineárne usporiadaných grúp.

## РЕЗЮМЕ

### ПРОИЗВЕДЕНИЯ РАДИКАЛЬНЫХ КЛАССОВ СТРУКТУРНО УПОРЯДОЧЕННЫХ ГРУП

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Понятие радикального класса структурно упорядоченных групп введено автором в работе [3]. В настоящей статье показывается, что произведение таких радикальных классов является радикальным классом и изучаются некоторые свойства этого произведения. Дана характеристика радикального класса, порожденного любым классом линейно упорядоченных групп.