

NOTES ON THE SET OF THE PARTIAL ORDERINGS

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Introduction.

It is well known that the set of the partitions of a set is a complete lattice. Here I will concern that the set of some partial orderings on a set forms an atomic complete Boolean lattice, in the section one. In the section two there are concerned with the relation between the set of the partitions of a set S and the set of the partial orderings on S .

In his paper [2], Ladislav Fuchs asserted that any normal partly ordered commutative group has an extension of this partly ordered commutative group and it has also the normality. So I am concerned with the set of the normal partly ordered commutative groups on a fixed group A , in the section three.

1. The set of the partly ordered sets on a fixed set S .

Let S be a fixed abstract set in the section one and two. P_α is a partly ordered set means P_α has a partial ordering \leq on S :

$$\begin{aligned} x \leq x \text{ in } P_\alpha \text{ for any } x \in S; \quad x \leq y \text{ in } P_\alpha \text{ and } y \leq x \text{ in } P_\alpha \text{ implies } x = y; \\ x \leq y \text{ in } P_\alpha \text{ and } y \leq z \text{ in } P_\alpha \text{ implies } x \leq z \text{ in } P_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

We say that P_α, P_β have *compatible partial orderings* if and only if for any $x \neq y, x \leq y$ in P_α then $x \not\leq y$ in P_β and $x \leq y$ in P_β then $x \not\leq y$ in P_α .

Let P be the set of all partly ordered sets on S . We give a relation \leq between elements P_α, P_β of P by $P_\alpha \leq P_\beta$ in P if and only if $x \leq y$ in P_α implies $x \leq y$ in P_β . Then it is easily shown that the relation in P is a partial ordering, i.e. reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive relation.

P_α is said to be a *maximal* element in P if there exists no element P_β of P such that $P_\beta > P_\alpha$ in P . E. Szpilrajn has proved that every partial ordering defined on a set has a linear extension, [3]. Let L_α be a linear ordering on S then L_α is a maximal element in P .

P_α is said to be a *minimal* element in P if there exists no element P_β of P such that $P_\beta < P_\alpha$.

Let P_0 be a partly ordered set on S such that for any 2 elements x, y of S $x \# y$ in P_0 , [4]. Then P_0 is a minimal element in P . Moreover P_0 is the least element of P . Let us denote the least element in P by O , i.e. O is a partly ordered set on S such that for any x, y of O $x \# y$ in O .

Let P_α be a partly ordered set on S such that the fixed elements x, y of S

$x \leq y$ in P_α and for arbitrary elements u, v of S distinct from x, y $x \# u$, $x \# v$, $u \# v$ in P_α . Obviously this partly ordered set covers O in P . Hence this type of partly ordered set are called by atom in P , and written by $A(x, y)$.

We denote by $A(y, x)$ as a dual of the partial ordered set $A(x, y)$. $A(y, x)$ is also an atom in P . And $A(x, y) \# A(y, x)$ in P .

$A(x, y), A(y, x)$ are not compatible partly ordered sets.

For any P_α, P_β of P we define a relation in P_γ as follows:

$x \leq y$ in P_γ if and only if $x \leq y$ in P_α and $x \leq y$ in P_β .

Then P_γ is a partly ordered set on S . And P_γ is the meet of P_α and P_β in P , obviously. We denote the meet of P_α and P_β by $P_\alpha \cup P_\beta$. So that P is an atomic meet-semilattice with zero element O .

Let M_α be a set of $P_\alpha \in P$ such that the all elements in M_α are compatible each other. Denote by $M_\alpha = \{P_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$. Thus $M_\alpha \subset P$.

LEMMA 1. M_α is an atomic complete lattice.

PROOF. Obviously O is contained in M_α . If $P_\alpha \in M_\alpha$ ($P_\alpha \neq O$) has elements x, y : $x \leq y$ in P_α then there exists an atom $A(x, y)$ in M_α such that $A(x, y) \leq P_\alpha$ in M_α . Hence M_α is an atomic meet-semilattice. M_α has a unit element L_α , linear ordered set compatible with P_α . If L_α, L'_α are linear ordered sets in M_α . Then since L_α, L'_α are linear ordered sets for arbitrary 2 elements x, y $x \leq y$ or $x \geq y$ in L_α , and $x \leq y$ or $x \geq y$ in L'_α . If $x \leq y$ in L_α and $x \leq y$ in L'_α then $L_\alpha \leq L'_\alpha$ and $L'_\alpha \leq L_\alpha$. So that $L_\alpha = L'_\alpha$. If $x \leq y$ in L_α and $x \geq y$ in L'_α then it is a contradiction to the assumption of M_α . Hence M_α has a unit element L_α .

For arbitrary $A_1 \subseteq A$, $\{P_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A_1\} \subset M_\alpha$. $\cap\{P_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A_1\}$ exists and a partly ordered set on S by

$$x \leq y \text{ in } \cap\{P_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A_1\} \iff x \leq y \text{ in } P_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha \in A_1.$$

Obviously $\cap\{P_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A_1\} \in M_\alpha$. Thus M_α is an atomic complete lattice.

P_α, P_β are compatible partly ordered sets on S : $P_\alpha, P_\beta \in M_\alpha$. We are going to consider with a new relation \leq in P_δ on S as follows:

$$x \leq y \text{ in } P_\delta \iff x \leq y \text{ in } P_\alpha \text{ or } x \leq y \text{ in } P_\beta.$$

Then \leq in P_δ is a reflexive, antisymmetric relation but not always transitive. For, it is easily seen reflexive. \leq in P_δ is an antisymmetric relation because P_α, P_β are compatible. We have an example such that this relation \leq in P_δ is not always transitive.

EXAMPLE. Let x, y, z be 3 distinct elements of S . Let $P_\alpha = A(x, y)$ and $P_\beta = A(y, z)$, in P_δ $x \leq y$ by $x \leq y$ in P_α , and $y \leq z$ in P_δ by $y \leq z$ in P_β . But $x \# z$ in P_δ because $x \# z$ in P_α and P_β . Thus the relation \leq in P_δ is not transitive.

We can now obtain the following 3 lemmas easily.

LEMMA 2. Let P_δ have a transitive relation \leq :

$x \leq y$ in P_δ if and only if $x \leq y$ in P_α or $x \leq y$ in P_β .

Then P_δ is a partly ordered set on S . P_δ is compatible to P_α , and the join of P_α and P_β , written by $P_\alpha \cup P_\beta$.

LEMMA 3. Let M_α be the totality of the all partly ordered sets which are each other compatible. For $P_\alpha, P_\beta, P_\gamma \in M_\alpha$ P_α is compatible with P_β and P_α is compatible with P_γ then P_β is compatible with P_γ .

LEMMA 4. $(P_\alpha \cup P_\beta) \cap P_\gamma = (P_\alpha \cap P_\gamma) \cup (P_\beta \cap P_\gamma)$ in M_α .

For any $P_\alpha \in M_\alpha$, ($P_\alpha \neq O$, $P_\alpha \neq L_\alpha$), since M_α is an atomic lattice there exist $A(x, y) \leq P_\alpha$ in M_α if P_α has x, y : $x \leq y$ in P_α . Let \mathcal{O} be the set of the all atoms in M_α , and $\mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)$ be the set of atoms $A(x, y)$ which satisfy $A(x, y) \leq P_\alpha$. Then $P_\alpha = \cup \{A(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)\}$. For, there exists an element of M_α : $P_\beta = \cup \{A(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)\}$ by completeness of M_α . Obviously $P_\beta \leq P_\alpha$. If $P_\beta < P_\alpha$ there exists a pair of elements a, b ($a \neq b$) $a \# b$ in P_β and $a \leq b$ (or $a \geq b$) in P_α . This pair a, b determines an atom $A(a, b)$ (or $A(b, a)$) $\in M_\alpha$ because $A(a, b)$ (or $A(b, a)$) $\leq P_\alpha$. Since $a \# b$ in P_β , $P_\beta \not\geq A(a, b)$ (or $P_\beta \not\geq A(b, a)$). This leads a contradiction with $P_\beta = \cup \{A(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)\}$. Thus $P_\alpha = P_\beta$. Let put $P'_\alpha \in M_\alpha$ such that $P'_\alpha = \cup \{A(x, y) \in \mathcal{O} - \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)\}$. Here $\mathcal{O} - \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)$ is nonvoid because in P_α there is a pair c, d : $c \# d$. Thus $\mathcal{O} - \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)$ contains at least one atom $A(c, d)$ (or $A(d, c)$). Then $P_\alpha \# P'_\alpha$ obviously. Hence $P_\alpha \cap P'_\alpha = O$ and $P_\alpha \cup P'_\alpha = L_\alpha$, where L_α is a unit element of M_α . So that we can obtain the following lemma.

LEMMA 5. M_α is a complemented lattice.

THEOREM 1. M_α is an atomic complete Boolean lattice.

PROOF. By lemma 1 M_α is an atomic complete lattice. Since M_α is distributive

by lemma 4. M_α is unique complemented referring to lemma 5. Then M_α is an atomic complete Boolean lattice. [1]

LEMMA 6. *Let M be a lattice in P . Any P_α, P_β belonging to M_α have compatible partial orderings.*

PROOF. For any P_α, P_β of M there exist $P_\alpha \cup P_\beta$ and $P_\alpha \cap P_\beta$ belonging to M . If P_α and P_β have not compatible partial orderings there exists one pair of elements x, y ($x \not\leq y$) such that $x \leq y$ in P_α and $y \leq x$ in P_β . Then $x \leq y$ in $P_\alpha \cup P_\beta$ from $x \leq y$ in P_α , and $y \leq x$ in $P_\alpha \cup P_\beta$ by $y \leq x$ in P_β . Thus $x = y$ since $P_\alpha \cup P_\beta$ is a partly ordered set. This is a contradiction with $x \not\leq y$. Hence P_α and P_β have a compatible partial orderings.

THEOREM 2. *Let M be a maximal lattice in P . Then M has a unit L_α , and zero O . And M is a set of all partly ordered sets P_α which is compatible with L_α in P .*

PROOF. For any partly ordered set P_α in M there is a linearization L_α of P_α . Let M_α be the set of partly ordered sets P_α which are compatible with L_α in P . Then M_α is a lattice. Moreover M_α is a maximal lattice in P . If $M \neq M_\alpha$, there is a partly ordered set $P_\gamma \in M - M_\alpha$ and P_γ is not compatible with L_α . Then $M \ni P_\gamma, P_\alpha$ which are not compatible. This means M is not a lattice. Then $M = M_\alpha$.

In P there are a number of linearization of maximal lattices. Let \mathcal{L} be the set of all maximal lattices in P . \mathcal{L} is equivalent to the set of all linearization of S .

THEOREM 3. *\mathcal{L} is equivalent to the set of all linearizations of S .*

THEOREM 4. *Let M_α and M_β are 2 maximal lattices in P . L_α and L_β are the unit elements of M_α and M_β , respectively. If there is an order isomorphism between L_α and L_β or a dual order isomorphism between L_α and L_β . Then M_α is lattice isomorphic to M_β .*

PROOF. If there is an order isomorphism τ between L_α and L_β . And a_α of L_α corresponds to a_β of L_β by $\tau : \tau(a_\alpha) = a_\beta$. If b_α of L_α corresponds to b_β of L_β : $\tau(b_\alpha) = b_\beta$. When $a_\alpha \leq b_\alpha$ then $\tau(a_\alpha) \leq \tau(b_\alpha)$ i.e. $a_\beta \leq b_\beta$. Thus τ leads a

correspondence τ^* between atoms of M_α and atoms of M_β as

$$\tau^* A(a_\alpha, b_\alpha) = A(\tau(a_\alpha), \tau(b_\alpha)) = A(a_\beta, b_\beta).$$

Obviously τ^* is a 1-1 correspondence between the set of all atoms of M_α and the set of all atoms of M_β .

If L_α corresponds to L_β by an order dual isomorphism ϕ . Then ϕ leads the correspondence ϕ^* between atoms in M_α and atoms in M_β , as $\phi^*(A(a_\alpha, b_\alpha)) = A(\phi(b_\alpha), \phi(a_\alpha))$. Thus ϕ^* is also a 1-1 correspondence between the set of all atoms of M_α and the set of all atoms of M_β .

In both cases we obtained a 1-1 correspondence between the set of all atoms of M_α and the set of all atoms of M_β . Since M_α is isomorphic with the Boolean algebra of all subsets of the set of all atoms of M_β , for arbitrary P_α of M_α there exists a subset of the set of all atoms of M_α which satisfies $P_\alpha = \cup\{A(a_\alpha, b_\alpha) \leq P_\alpha\}$. This is held in M_β , too. We denote the set of atoms correspond with $P_\alpha \in M_\alpha$, $P_\beta \in M_\beta$ by $\mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)$, $\mathcal{O}(P_\beta)$, respectively. Then P_α corresponds to P_β if and only if $\mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)$ corresponds with $\mathcal{O}(P_\beta)$ by correspondence τ^* (or ϕ^*):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } P_\alpha &= \cup\{A(a_\alpha, b_\beta) \in \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha)\} \text{ and} \\ P_\beta &= \cup\{A(a_\beta, b_\beta) \in \mathcal{O}(P_\beta)\}, \\ \mathcal{O}(P_\alpha) &\longleftrightarrow \mathcal{O}(P_\beta) \text{ by } \tau^* \text{ (or } \phi^*) \\ &\iff P_\alpha \longleftrightarrow P_\beta. \end{aligned}$$

And obviously the correspondence between the elements of M_α and the elements of M_β is isomorphism between M_α and M_β from $P_\alpha \leq P_\gamma$ if and only if $\mathcal{O}(P_\alpha) \leq \mathcal{O}(P_\gamma)$.

COROLLARY. *There exists a fixed set \mathcal{O} which satisfies M_α is lattice-isomorphic with $2^\mathcal{O}$ for each α .*

PROOF. To each M_α there is a set of atoms $\mathcal{O}(M_\alpha)$ which satisfies M_α is lattice isomopphic with $2^{\mathcal{O}(M_\alpha)}$. The Cardinal number $|\mathcal{O}(M_\alpha)|$ of $\mathcal{O}(M_\alpha)$ is equal to $|\mathcal{O}(M_\beta)|$ for each β because this is the number of combinations of taking 2 from $|S|$. So that we can take a fixed set \mathcal{O} which satisfies that M_α is lattice-isomorphic with $2^\mathcal{O}$ by correspondence φ_α for each α .

2. The lattice of all partitions on S .

We need a definition about a partly ordered set in this section. We call the partly ordered set P_α by a *tree* if P_α consist of chains, and in P_α $a \# b$ for any elements a, b belonging distinct chains.

For any fixed set S we are considered with the set B of the partitions of S . In B we introduce a partial ordering \cong as follows: $\pi_\alpha \cong \pi_\beta$ for π_α, π_β of B means π_α is a refinement of π_β . Then B is a complete lattice, as well known. We define a correspondence between a partition of S and a partly ordered set on S as follows:

for $\pi_\alpha \in B$ $\pi_\alpha = \{\dots\dots, A_\alpha, B_\alpha, \dots\dots\}$ corresponds with tree $t_\alpha = \{\dots\dots, C(A_\alpha), \dots C(B_\alpha), \dots\dots\}$.

Where $C(A_\alpha)$ is a chain ordered set of $A_\alpha \subset S$; if A_α, B_α are components of π_α then for arbitrary x of $C(A_\alpha)$ and arbitrary y of $C(B_\alpha)$ $x \# y$ in t_α ; and any t_α, t_β are compatible partial ordered sets each other. We denote the set of this trees by \mathcal{L} . Then this correspondence becomes a order homomorphism from \mathcal{L} to B by similar way in the section one. Since the elements of \mathcal{L} are compatible each other this correspondence is 1-1 correspondence. So that there is an order isomorphism between \mathcal{L} and B .

THEOREM 5. *On the fixed set S the lattice of all partitions is lattice isomorphic with a lattice of all compatible trees on S :*

3. Partly ordered groups.

It is well known that any abstract commutative group whose elements are all of infinite order can be made into a linearly ordered group, [1]

Ladislav Fuchs asserted in his paper that a partial ordering on a commutative group has an extension if the above partial ordering is normal. Moreover he proved that every normal partial ordering on a commutative group has a linear ordering which is an extension of the above one. Here I am concerned with the set G of all normal partly ordered groups on a fixed commutative group A .

A partly ordered group A_α is a commutative group A , written additively, with a relation $<$ which is defined between some pairs of its elements such that the following postulates hold:

- (a) any two of the three relations $a > b, a = b, a < b$ are contradictory;
- (b) transitivity: $a > b$ and $b > c$ implies $a > c$;
- (c) homogeneity: $a > b$ implies $a + c > b + c$ for every c in A ;
- (d) normality: $na = a + a + \dots + a \geq 0$ for some positive integer n implies $a \geq 0$.

Conditions (a) and (b) is equivalent with the condition that the relation \leq is a partial ordering. By the conditions (b) and (c) the relations $a > b, c > d$ may be added to get $a + c > b + d$.

For any A_α of G there exists an extension A_β of A_α which is again a normal partial ordering, [2].

The partial ordering between 2 elements A_α, A_β of G is defined as follows:

$A_\alpha \leq A_\beta$ if and only if A_β is an extension of A_α .

Let G_1 be any subset of G , $G_1 = \{\dots, A_\tau, \dots\}$. We define a new partial ordering P on A as follows:

for any 2 elements a, b of A we put $a > b$ in P if and only if $a > b$ in every A_τ in G_1 .

It is obviously proved that P is again a partly ordered group. Moreover P is normal if all A_τ in G_1 are normal. The partial order P is said to be the meet of G_1 , written by $P = \cap A_\tau$ ($A_\tau \in G_1$). Then G is a meet-complete semilattice.

In this case G contains the commutative group A on which the relation is defined no pair of elements. This is the previous fixed commutative group A . Since A has no element of finite order other than O , identity in commutative group A . A in which no partial order is defined is normal. So we can say that G contains A as the least element.

If we define a normal partial ordering on A as $x < y$ between exact 2 elements x, y of A . By the conditions (a)—(d) of the normal partial ordering on G the fact $x < y$ determine a definite partly ordered group in G such that $y - x > 0$; $x + z < y + z$ for arbitrary z of A ; and $m(y - x) \geq n(y - x)$ if n, m are integers $n \leq m$.

The partly ordered group on A of this type is obviously an atom in G . We denote this by $A(x, y)$.

LEMMA 7. *G is an atomic meet-complete semilattice.*

For a linearly ordered group L_α of A let us put the set N_α of the all normal partly ordered groups $\cong L_\alpha$. Then N_α is the set of all compatible partly ordered groups and N_α contains a unit element L_α . Hence N_α becomes a complete lattice. Thus we obtain the following lemma.

LEMMA 8. *Let N_α be the set of all normal partly ordered groups $\cong L_\alpha$, for a linearly ordered group L_α of A . Then N_α becomes an atomic complete lattice.*

In N_α , $A_\alpha \cup A_\beta = A_\gamma$ is a partly ordered group with a normal transitive relation \leq in A_γ such that

$$x \leq y \text{ in } A_\alpha \text{ if and only if } x \leq y \text{ in } A_\alpha \text{ or } x \leq y \text{ in } A_\beta .$$

Certainly we need the assumption of normality in the above A_γ . And we can assume this assumption without any contradiction. For example if $na \neq 0$ in A_α for positive integer n and there exists an element x such that $na \geq x$ in A_α and $x \geq 0$ in A_β then $na \geq 0$ in A_γ by transitivity. But we can not prove that the normality of the relation in $A_\gamma : a \geq 0$, eventhough A_α and A_β are normal.

By the similarway in the section one we obtain the followings.

LEMMA 9. *N_α is a distributive lattice.*

LEMMA 10. *For any $A_\alpha \in N_\alpha$ there exists $A_\beta \in N_\alpha$ such that $A_\alpha \cap A_\beta = A$ and $A_\alpha \cup A_\beta = L_\alpha$.*

PROOF. Let $\mathcal{O}(A_\alpha)$ be the set of all atoms $A(a, b) \leq A_\alpha$. Then $A_\alpha = \cup \{A(a, b) \in \mathcal{O}(A_\alpha)\}$. This is proved by the same way in the lemma 5. Now put A_β as the join of all atoms which belong to $\mathcal{O}(N_\alpha) - \mathcal{O}(A_\alpha)$ where $\mathcal{O}(N_\alpha)$ is the set of all atoms in N_α . Then we can easily prove that $A_\alpha \cap A_\beta = A$ and $A_\alpha \cup A_\beta = L_\alpha$, by completeness of N_α , [1]

THEOREM 6. *N_α is an atomic complete Boolean Lattice.*

COROLLARY. *N_α is lattice isomorphic with $2^{\mathcal{O}(N_\alpha)}$.*

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- [4] $x \# y$ denotes that x is incomparable to y .