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## GRAPH ISOMORPHISMS OF MODULAR MULTILATTICES

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## 1. Preliminaries

A partially ordered set P is said to be of locally finite length if each bounded chain in P is finite. For the elements  $a, b \in P$  we write a > b (a covers b) if a > band if there does not exist any element  $c \in P$  with a > c > b; in this case the interval [a, b] is called prime.

A partially ordered set P is called upper (lower) directed if for each pair of elements a,  $b \in P$  there exists an element  $h \in P$  ( $d \in P$ ) such that  $a \leq h$ ,  $b \leq h$  ( $d \leq a, d \leq b$ ). The upper and lower directed partially ordered set is called directed.

A multilattice [1] is a partially ordered set M in which the conditions (i) and its dual (ii) are satisfied: (i) If a, b,  $h \in M$  and  $a \leq h$ ,  $b \leq h$ , then there exists  $v \in M$  such that (a)  $v \leq h$ ,  $v \geq a$ ,  $v \geq b$ , and (b)  $z \in M$ ,  $z \leq v$ ,  $z \geq a$ ,  $z \geq b$  implies z = v.

A multilattice M is modular [1] iff for every a, b, c, u,  $v \in M$  satisfying the conditions  $u \leq a \leq v$ ,  $u \leq b \leq c \leq v$ ,  $v \in a \lor b$ ,  $u \in a \land c$  we have b = c.

A multilattice M is distributive [1] iff for every  $a, b, c, u, v \in M$  satisfying the conditions  $u \leq a, b, c \leq v, v \in a \lor b, v \in a \lor c, u \in a \land b, u \in a \land c$  we have b = c.

It is evident that each partially ordered set of locally finite length is a multilattice [1]. All partially ordered sets dealt with in this note are assumed to be of locally finite length.

By a graph G(S) of a subset  $S \subset P$  there is meant the unoriented graph (without multiple edges and loops) whose vertices are elements of S; two vertices  $a, b \in S$  are joined by the edge (a, b) iff a > b or b > a.

We say that unoriented graphs  $G(S_1)$  and  $G(S_2)$  are isomorphic if there exists a bijection  $\varphi$  of  $S_1$  onto  $S_2$  satisfying: (x, y) is an edge in  $G(S_1)$  iff  $(\varphi(x), \varphi(y))$  is an edge in  $G(S_2)$ .

The following two assertions  $(T_1)$ ,  $(T_2)$  were proved in [1] (4.7.4 and Theorem 4.5).

 $(T_1)$  A multilattice M of locally finite length is modular iff it fulfils the following covering condition  $(\sigma')$  and the condition  $(\sigma')$  dual to  $(\sigma')$ .

(o') If  $a, b, u, v \in M$  such that [u, a], [u, b] are prime intervals and  $v \in a \lor b$ , then [a, v], [b, v] are prime intervals.

 $(T_2)$  Let  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  be two maximal chains from a to b in a modular multilattice M of locally finite length. Then  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  are of the same length.

A set  $S = \{a, b, u, v\} \subseteq M$  is called an elementary square if a, b are incomparable elements and v > a, v > b, u < a, u < b.

Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be directed multilattices of locally finite length and let  $\varphi$  be a graph isomorphism of  $G(M_1)$  onto  $G(M_2)$ . Let  $S = \{a, b, u, v\}$  be an elementary square in  $M_1$ . We shall say that S breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi$  if either the elements  $\varphi(u)$ ,  $\varphi(v)$  are covered by  $\varphi(a)$ ,  $\varphi(b)$  or the elements  $\varphi(u)$ ,  $\varphi(v)$  cover  $\varphi(a)$  and  $\varphi(b)$ .

Graph isomorphisms of lattices and multilattices have been studied in the papers [2], [3], [4], [5].

In [2] and [3] the following theorems have been proved:

(A) If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are lattices of locally finite length such that (i)  $L_1$  is modular and (ii) the unoriented graphs  $G(L_1)$ ,  $G(L_2)$  are isomorphic, then the lattice  $L_2$  is modular as well.

(B) Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be directed distributive multilattices of locally finite length. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

(i) The unoriented graphs  $G(M_1)$ ,  $G(M_2)$  are isomorphic.

(ii) There exist multilattices A, B such that  $M_1$  is isomorphic with  $A \times B$  and  $M_2$  is isomorphic with  $A \times \tilde{B}$  ( $\tilde{B}$  is dual to B).

In the present paper we shall investigate some questions on graph isomorphisms of multilattices analogous to those that have been dealt with in the papers [2], [3], [4], [5].

## 2. Statement of results

**Theorem 1.** If  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are directed multilattices of locally finite length such that (i) the unoriented graphs  $G(M_1)$ ,  $G(M_2)$  are isomorphic, (ii)  $M_2$  is modular and (iii)  $M_1$  is distributive, then the multilattice  $M_2$  is distributive as well.

**Theorem 2.** There exist directed finite multilattices  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  such that (i) the unoriented graphs  $G(M_1)$ ,  $G(M_2)$  are isomorphic, (ii)  $M_1$  is modular, (iii)  $M_2$  is not modular.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be directed modular multilattices of locally finite length. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

(i) There exist a graph isomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $G(M_1)$  onto  $G(M_2)$  such that no elementary square  $S \subset M_1$  breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi$  and no elementary square  $S' \subset M_2$  breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi^{-1}$ .

(iii) There are multilattices A, B such that  $M_1$  is isomorphic with  $A \times B$  and  $M_2$  is isomorphic with  $A \times \tilde{B}$  ( $\tilde{B}$  is dual to B).

## 3. Proofs of theorems

**3.1.** Proof of Theorem 1. First we recall the definition of the ternary betwenness relation [6] in the directed multilattices.

Let a, b,  $x \in M$ . We say that x is between a and b and write axb if

(b) 
$$[(a \land x) \lor (b \land x)]_x = x, \quad (a \land x) \land (b \land x) \subset a \land b.$$

Directed multilattices  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  are said to be *b*-equivalent if there exists a bijection *f* of  $M_1$  onto  $M_2$  such that for each triple *a*, *b*,  $x \in M$  the relation *axb* is equivalent with f(a)f(x)f(b).

From Theorems 4.3 and 2.2 of [7] it follows:

(\*) If  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are directed modular multilattices of locally finite length such that the unoriented graphs  $G(M_1)$ ,  $G(M_2)$  are isomorphic, then  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  are b-equivalent.

In [9] the following assertion is proved:

(\*\*) Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be directed b-equivalent multilattices. If the multilattice  $M_1$  is distributive, then  $M_2$  is distributive as well.

If we assume that  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are directed multilattices of locally finite length such that  $M_1$  is distributive and  $M_2$  is modular and  $G(M_1)$ ,  $G(M_2)$  are isomorphic, then by the assertion (\*) the multilattices  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  are *b*-equivalent. Thus from (\*\*) it follows that the multilattice  $M_2$  is distributive.



**3.2.** Proof of Theorem 2. The partially ordered sets  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2 are of the same length 4 and card  $M_1 = \text{card } M_2 = 13$ . It is obvious that  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are directed multilattices.

The multilattice  $M_2$  is not modular because there exist elements  $y_3$ ,  $y_5 \in M_2$  such that  $z_2 > y_3$ ,  $z_2 > y_5$  and  $y_3 \land y_5 = \{y_1\}$ , where  $y_1$  is not covered by  $y_3$ ,  $y_5$ .

The modularity of  $M_1$  will be verified as follows:

We define the height v(x) of an element  $x \in M_1$  as the maximum of lengths of chains between the least element of  $M_1$  and x. Let us denote by M(i) the set of elements  $x \in M_1$  with v(x) = i. Then  $M(0) = \{\sigma\}$ ,  $M(1) = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ ,  $M(2) = \{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5\}$ ,  $M(3) = \{z_1, z_2, z_3\}$ ,  $M(4) = \{i\}$ . It is routine to verify that  $M_1$  satisfies the Jordan—Dedekind chain condition and that, whenever i is a positive integer and  $x, y \in M(i)$ , then  $x \land y \in M(i-1)$  iff  $x \lor y \in M(i+1)$ . Hence the conditions ( $\sigma'$ ) and ( $\sigma''$ ) are fulfilled and therefore  $M_1$  is modular.

The multilattices  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are defined on the same set  $M = \{o, x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, z_1, z_2, z_3, i\}$ . Let  $\varphi$  be the identical mapping on M, then  $\varphi$  is a graph isomorphism of  $G(M_1)$  onto  $G(M_2)$ .

3.3. For proving Theorem 3 we need some results of the papers [8], [3].

(K) [8] Let A be a quasiordered set. There exists a one-to-one correspondence between the nontrivial direct decompositions of the quasiordered set A into two factors and pairs  $(R_1, R_2)$  of nontrivial congruence relations  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  on A having the properties:

(i)  $R_1R_2 = R_2R_1$ 

(ii)  $R_1 \cup R_2 = I$ ,  $R_1 \cap R_2 = 0$  (I, 0 are the greatest and the least elements of the lattice of all equivalence relations on the set A).

(iii) If  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $a \leq c$ ,  $aR_1b$ ,  $bR_2c$ , then  $a \leq b \leq c$ .

(iv) Let  $a, b, c, d \in A$ ,  $aR_1b, cR_1d, aR_2c, bR_2d$ , then from  $a \leq b$  it follows that  $c \leq d$  and from  $a \leq c$  it follows that  $b \leq d$ . To each couple  $(R_1, R_2)$  with the mentioned properties there corresponds the decomposition  $A \sim A/R_1 \times A/R_2$  and to each element  $a \in A$  there corresponds the element  $(a_1, a_2)$ , where  $a_i$  is the equivalence class under  $R_i$  (i = 1, 2) containing a.

In the paper [3] the following two lemmas were proved under the assumption that  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are directed distributive multilattices and  $\varphi$  is a graph isomorphism of  $G(M_1)$  onto  $G(M_2)$ .

**Lemma 1.** For x,  $y \in M_1$  let  $u \in x \land y$ ,  $v \in x \lor y$  such that [u, x], [u, y] are prime intervals and let  $\varphi(x) < \varphi(u) < \varphi(y)$ . Then  $\varphi(x) \in \varphi(u) \land \varphi(v)$ ,  $\varphi(y) \in \varphi(u) \lor \varphi(v)$ .

**Lemma 2.** For  $x, y \in M_1$  let  $u \in x \land y, v \in x \lor y$ , such that [x, v], [y, v] are prime intervals and let  $\varphi(x) < \varphi(v), \varphi(y) < \varphi(v)$ . Then  $\varphi(u) \in \varphi(x) \land \varphi(y)$ .

From the method of the proof of these lemmas in [3] it follows that they remain valid also when we replace the assumption of the distributivity of the multilattices  $M_1, M_2$  by the conditions: (a)  $M_1, M_2$  are modular multilattices, (b) no elementary square of  $M_1$  breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi$  and no elementary square of  $M_2$  breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi^{-1}$ .

For proving the implication (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) in Theorem (b) in [3] only the modularity of

the multilattices  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  and the assertion of Lemmas 1 and 2 have been applied. From this it follows that the following assertion is valid.

 $(T_3)$  Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be directed modular multilattices of locally finite length and let  $\varphi$  be a graph isomorphism of  $G(M_1)$  onto  $G(M_2)$ . If no elementary square of  $M_1$  breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi$  and no elementary square of  $M_2$  breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi^{-1}$ , then the condition (ii) from Theorem 3 is valid.

Now let us suppose that A, B are modular multilattices fulfiling the condition (ii) from Theorem 3. Let  $f_1$  be an isomorphism  $M_1$  onto  $A \times B$ ,  $f_2$  an isomorphism  $M_2$ onto  $A \times \tilde{B}$  and let h be the identical mapping on the underlying set of  $A \times B$  (this set is clearly equal to the underlying set of  $A \times \tilde{B}$ ). Then the mapping  $\varphi = f_2^{-1}hf_1$  is a graph isomorphism of  $G(M_1)$  onto  $G(M_2)$ . From the definition  $\varphi$  it follows immediately that  $f_1(x) = f_2(\varphi(x))$  for each  $x \in M_1$ . Further there exist relations  $R_1$ and  $R_2$  on  $M_1$  such that A is isomorphic with  $M_1/R_1$ , B is isomorphic with  $M_1/R_2$ and  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  fulfils the conditions (i)—(iv) from the assertion (K) (where we take the multilattice  $M_1$  instead of the quasiordered set A). Then for each  $x, y \in M_1$  we have:

(j) If x < y and  $\varphi(x) < \varphi(y)$  ( $\varphi(x) > \varphi(y)$ ), then  $x \equiv y(R_2)$  ( $x \equiv y(R_1)$ ).

In fact suppose that x < y and  $\varphi(x) < \varphi(y)$ ; then there are elements  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ ,  $b_1, b_2 \in B$  with  $f_1(x) = (a_1, b_1), f_1(y) = (a_2, b_2)$ . At the same time we have  $f_2(\varphi(x)) = (a_1, b_1), f_2(\varphi(y)) = (a_2, b_2)$ . From x < y it follows that we have either

 $(1) a_1 < a_2 \quad \text{and} \quad b_1 = b_2$ 

or

 $(2) a_1 = a_2 \quad \text{and} \quad b_1 < b_2.$ 

If (2) were valid, then we would have  $\varphi(x) > \varphi(y)$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore the relation (1) holds. From  $b_1 = b_2$  we obtain  $x \equiv y(R_2)$ . Similarly we can verify that if x < y and  $\varphi(x) > \varphi(y)$ , then  $x \equiv y(R_1)$ .

Assume that an elementary square  $(a, b, u, v) \subset M_1$  would break by the isomorphism  $\varphi$ . Hence either  $\varphi(u)$ ,  $\varphi(v)$  cover the elements  $\varphi(a)$  and  $\varphi(b)$ , or  $\varphi(u)$ ,  $\varphi(v)$  are covered by  $\varphi(a)$  and  $\varphi(b)$ . Let us consider the first case (the second case being dual). Then  $a \equiv u(R_1)$ ,  $b \equiv u(R_1)$  by (j). Hence  $a \equiv b(R_1)$ . At the same time  $a \equiv v(R_2)$ ,  $b \equiv v(R_2)$  by (j), and hence  $a \equiv b(R_2)$ . From this it follows according to the property (ii) in the assertion (K) that a = b, which is a contradiction. Similarly we can show that no elementary square of the multilattice  $M_2$  breaks by the isomorphism  $\varphi^{-1}$ . Thus we have proved that (ii) implies (i).

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## О ГРАФОВОМ ИЗОМОРФИЗМЕ МУЛЬТИСТРУКТУР

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### Резюме

В даной статье доказаны три теоремы о направленных мультиструктурах локально конечной длины. Если графы мультиструктур  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  изоморфны, причём  $M_1$  дистрибутивна и  $M_2$  модулярна, тогда  $M_2$  также должна быть дистрибутивна. Однако существуют мультиструктуры  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$ , графы которых изоморфны, причём  $M_1$  модулярна и  $M_2$  немодулярна. Третья теорема говорит о условиях, при которых из изоморфизма графов модулярных мультиструктур  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  вытекает существование мультиструктур A, B таких что  $M_1 \sim A \times B$ ,  $M_2 \sim A \times \tilde{B}$  (где  $\tilde{B}$  является дуальна мультиструктура к B).