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## COVERING CONDITION IN THE LATTICE OF RADICAL CLASSES OF LINEARLY ORDERED GROUPS

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Existence of covers in lattices of varieties and quasivarieties was studied by A. N. Trachtman [10], V. A. Gorbunov [11] and G. Pollák [9]; for the case of varieties of lattice ordered groups cf. N. Ja. Medvedev [8]. Analogous questions concerning covers of torsion classes and radical classes of lattice ordered groups were studied by J. Jakubík [4], [3].

Radical classes of linearly ordered groups were investigated by C. G. Chehata and R. Wiegandt [1]. J. Jakubík [5] studied radical classes of abelian linearly ordered groups.

All linearly ordered groups dealt with in this note are assumed to be abelian; thus the words linearly ordered group will in the following always mean abelian linearly ordered group.

Let  $\mathcal{R}_a$  be the lattice of all radical classes of linearly ordered groups (for definitions, cf. § 1 below). For each  $X \in \mathcal{R}_a$  we denote by a(X) the collection of all  $Y \in \mathcal{R}_a$  such that Y covers X (i.e., the interval [X, Y] of the lattice  $\mathcal{R}_a$  is prime). Put

 $\mathcal{R}_1 = \{X \in \mathcal{R}_a : X \text{ is principal and } a(X) = \emptyset\}.$ 

In [5] it was proved that whenever X is a principal radical class generated by an archimedean linearly ordered group, then X belongs to  $\mathcal{R}_1$ . From this it follows that the class  $\mathcal{R}_1$  is infinite. In this note it will be shown that  $\mathcal{R}_1$  is a large class (in the sense that there exists an injective mapping of the class of all cardinals into  $\mathcal{R}_1$ ).

### 1. Preliminaries

For the basic definitions concerning linearly ordered groups cf. Fuchs [2] and Kokorin and Kopytov [6]. The group operation in a linearly ordered group will be written additively. In this paragraph we recall for the sake of completeness some

definitions and results from [5] concerning radical classes of linearly ordered groups.

Let  $\mathscr{G}_a$  be the class of all linearly ordered groups,  $G \in \mathscr{G}_a$ . Let

$$\{0\} = G_1 \subseteq G_2 \subseteq \ldots \subseteq G_\alpha \subseteq \ldots \quad (\alpha < \delta)$$

be an ascending chain of convex subgroups of G. Put

$$H = \bigcup_{\alpha < \delta} G_{\alpha}.$$

For each  $\beta < \delta$  let  $G'_{\beta}$  be a linearly ordered group isomorphic to  $G_{\beta}/\bigcup_{\gamma < \beta}G_{\gamma}$ . Then H is said to be a transfinite extension of linearly ordered groups  $G'_{\beta}$  ( $\beta < \delta$ ). Let  $\{G_i\}_{i \in I}$  be the set of those  $G'_{\beta}$  which are distinct from  $\{0\}$ ; if this set is nonempty, then we also say that H is a transfinite extension of linearly ordered groups  $G_i(i \in I)$ .

**1.1. Definition.** A nonempty class X of linearly ordered groups is called a radical class if

(a) X is closed under homomorphisms, and

(b) X is closed with respect to transfinite extensions.

Let X be a radical class and  $G \in \mathcal{G}_a$ . Further let  $\{H_a\}$  be the set of all convex subgroups of G belonging to X. We put

$$X(G)=\cup_{\alpha}H_{\alpha}.$$

**1.2. Proposition.** (Cf. [5].) Let X be a radical class and  $G \in \mathcal{G}_a$ . Then X(G) belongs to X.

Let us denote by  $\mathcal{R}_a$  the collection of all radical classes of linearly ordered groups. For X,  $Y \in \mathcal{R}_a$  we put  $X \leq Y$  if X is a subclass of Y. Then  $\mathcal{G}_a$  is the greatest element of  $\mathcal{R}_a$  and  $\mathcal{R}_0 = \{\{0\}\}$  is the least element of  $\mathcal{R}_a$ . Moreover, under the partial order  $\leq$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_a$  is a complete lattice.

For each nonempty subclass Y of  $\mathcal{G}_a$  let us denote by

TY — the intersection of all radical classes R with  $Y \subseteq R$ ;

Hom Y — the class of all homomorphic images of linearly ordered groups belonging to Y;

Ext Y — the class of all transfinite extensions of linearly ordered groups belonging to Y.

TY is the least radical class containing Y as a subclass; it is said to be the radical class generated by Y. If  $Y = \{G\}$  is a one-element set, then we also write TY = T(G); the radical class T(G) is called principal.

**1.3. Proposition.** (Cf. [5].) Let Y be a nonempty subclass of  $\mathcal{G}_a$ . Then TX = Ext Hom X.

**1.4. Proposition.** (Cf. [5].) Let J be a nonempty class and for each  $j \in J$  let  $X_j$  be a radical class. Then  $\bigvee_{j \in J} X_j = \text{Ext} \bigcup_{j \in J} X_j$ .

**1.5. Proposition.** (Cf. [5], 4.6.) Let H be an archimedean linearly ordered group, X = T(H). Then  $X \in \mathcal{R}_1$ .

**1.6. Corollary.** The class  $\mathcal{R}_1$  is infinite.

Proof. It is easy to verify that there exists an infinite set  $S = \{G_i\}_{i \in I}$  of archimedean linearly ordered groups such that whenever *i*, *j* are distinct elements of *I*, then  $G_i$  fails to be isomorphic to  $G_j$ . Put  $X_i = T(G_i)$  for each  $i \in I$ . Let  $i, j \in I$ ,  $i \neq j$  and assume that  $G_i \in T(G_j)$ . Hence in view of 1.3 we have  $G_i \in \text{Ext Hom } \{G_j\}$ . Because  $G_i$  is *o*-simple,  $G_i$  belongs to Hom  $\{G_j\}$ . Since  $G_j$  is *o*-simple,  $G_i$  is isomorphic either to  $G_j$  or to  $\{0\}$ ; thus  $G_i = \{0\}$ . Therefore for each  $k \in I$  with  $k \neq i$  we have  $G_k \notin T(G_j)$ . Hence the set  $\{T(G_k)\}_{k \in I}$  is infinite. According to 1.5 each  $T(G_k)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{R}_1$ .

#### 2. Lexicographic products

We recall the notion of the lexicographic product of linearly ordered groups. Let I be a linearly ordered set and for each  $i \in I$  let  $G_i$  be a linearly ordered group. The lexicographic product  $H = \prod_{i \in I} G_i$  of the system  $\{G_i\}_{i \in I}$  is defined to be the set of all functions  $f: I \to \bigcup_{i \in I} G_i$  such that (i)  $f(i) \in G_i$  for each  $i \in I$ , and (ii) the set  $\{i \in I: f(i) \neq 0\}$  is either empty or is dually well-ordered; the group operation in His defined coordinate-wise and for  $0 \neq f \in H$  we put f > 0 if f(j) > 0, where j is the greatest element of the set  $\{i \in I: f(i) \neq 0\}$ . In the case  $I = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$  we write also  $H = G_1 \circ G_2 \circ ... \circ G_n$ .

For each linearly ordered group G we have  $G = G \circ \{0\} = \{0\} \circ G$ . If from G,  $G_1$ ,  $G_2 \in \mathscr{G}_a$ ,  $G = G_1 \circ G_2$  it follows that  $G_1 = \{0\}$  or  $G_2 = \{0\}$ , then G is said to be lexicographically indecomposable.

Let  $H = \Gamma_{i \in I} G_i$ . We shall apply the following denotations: For each  $i \in I$  we denote by  $\overline{G}_i$  the set of all  $h \in H$  such that h(j) = 0 for each  $j \in I$  with j > i; then  $\overline{G}_i$  is a convex subgroup of H. For  $K \subset H$  and  $i \in I$ ,  $K(G_i)$  is defined to be the set  $\{k(i): k \in K\}$ ; if K is a subgroup of H, then  $K(G_i)$  is a subgroup of  $G_i$ . Further, we identify  $G_i$  with the set  $\{h \in H: h(j) = 0 \text{ for each } j \in I \text{ with } j \neq i\}$ .

. Let  $\bar{G}_i^\circ$  be the set of all elements  $h \in \bar{G}_i$  with h(i) = 0;  $\bar{G}_i^\circ$  is a convex subgroup of  $\bar{G}_i$  and the factor linearly ordered group  $\bar{G}_i/\bar{G}_i^\circ$  is isomorphic with  $G_i$ . Thus if I is a well-ordered set, then H is a transfinite extension of linearly ordered groups  $G_i$   $(i \in I)$ .

Let us consider the case when there are given two lexicographic decompositions of H:

$$H = \Gamma_{i \in I} G_i, \quad H = \Gamma_{j \in J} K_j.$$

The following lemma is a corollary of the Malcev Theorem ([7]; cf. also [2]) on the existence of isomorphic refinements of two lexicographic decompositions.

**2.1. Lemma.** Let H,  $G_i$  and  $K_j$  be as above. Assume that all  $G_i$  are non-zero and lexicographically indecomposable. Then there is a (unique) partition  $I = \bigcup_{j \in J} I_j$  such that

(i) if  $j_1, j_2 \in J$ ,  $j_1 < j_2$ ,  $i_1 \in I_{j_1}$ ,  $i_2 \in I_{j_2}$ , then  $i_1 < i_2$ ;

(ii) for each  $j \in J$  there exists a lexicographic decomposition  $K_j = \Gamma_{i \in I_j} G'_i$  such that  $G'_i$  is isomorphic with  $G_i$  for each  $i \in I_j$ .

**2.2. Lemma.** Let H,  $G_i$  and  $K_i$  be as in 2.1. Assume that

(i) there exists a partition  $I = I' \cup I''$  with  $I' \neq \emptyset \neq I''$  such that if  $i_1, i_2 \in I'$ ,  $i_3, i_4 \in I''$ , then  $G_{i_1}$  and  $G_{i_2}$  are isomorphic,  $G_{i_1}$  and  $G_{i_2}$  are isomorphic,  $G_{i_1}$  fails to be isomorphic with  $G_{i_3}$  and  $i_1 < i_3$ ;

(ii) all  $K_i$  are isomorphic.

Then J is a one-element set.

Proof. From 2.1 it follows that there are  $j', j'' \in J$  with  $I' \cap I_i \neq \emptyset$ ,  $I'' \cap I_{j'} \neq \emptyset$ . If there exists  $j \in J$  such that either (a)  $I_j \subset I'$ , or (b)  $i_j \subset I''$ , then we have a contradiction with 2.1 (since  $K_j$  is isomorphic to  $K_{j'}$  and to  $K_j$ ). Hence for each  $j \in J$  both  $I_j \cap I'$  and  $I_j \cap I''$  are nonempty. Assume that card J > 1. Let  $j_1$  and  $j_2$  be distinct elements of J with  $j_1 < j_2$ . Then there are elements  $i'' \in I_p \cap I''$ ,  $i' \in I_p \cap I'$ .

In view of  $i' \in I_{i_2}$ ,  $i'' \in I_{i_1}$  we have i'' < i'; on the other hand, from  $i' \in I'$ ,  $i'' \in I''$  we obtain i' < i'', which is a contradiction. Hence card J = 1.

### **3.** The class $\mathcal{R}_1$

In the following lemmas 3.1—3.3 we assume that  $G \in \mathcal{G}_a$ , B = T(G),  $A \in \mathcal{R}_a$  and that A covers B in the lattice  $\mathcal{R}_a$ .

**3.1. Lemma.** There exists  $H \in A \setminus B$  such that  $B(H) = \{0\}$  and  $B \lor T(H) = A$ .

Proof. Since B is covered by A, there is  $H_1 \in A \setminus B$ . Hence (cf. 1.2)  $B(H_1) \neq H_1$ and  $B(H_1) \in B$ . Denote  $H = H_1/B(H_1)$ . Then  $H \in A$ . From  $H \in B$  it would follow  $H_1 \in B$  (with regard to 1.1, (b)), which is a contradiction; therefore  $H \in A \setminus B$ . In view of 1.4 we have  $H_1 \in T(H) \lor B$ , hence  $B < T(H) \lor B \leq A$  and thus  $T(H) \lor B =$ A. Moreover, from 1.2 we easily obtain that  $B(H) = \{0\}$  is valid.

Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal. We denote by  $\omega(\alpha)$  the least ordinal having the property that the power of the set of all ordinals less than  $\omega(\alpha)$  is  $\alpha$ . For each  $G \in \mathscr{G}_a$  we put

$$G_{\alpha} = \Gamma_{i \in I(\alpha)} G_{i},$$

where  $I(\alpha)$  is a linearly ordered set isomorphic with  $\omega(\alpha)$  and  $G_i$  is a linearly ordered group isomorphic with G for each  $i \in I(\alpha)$ .

**3.2. Lemma.** Let H be as in 3.1 and let  $\alpha > \operatorname{card} H$ . Then  $H_{\alpha} \in B$ .

Proof. By way of contradiction, suppose that  $H_{\alpha}$  does not belong to B. Since  $H \in A$  and because  $H_{\alpha}$  is a transfinite extension of H, we have  $H_{\alpha} \in A$ . From this and from the fact that B is covered by A we infer that  $T(H_{\alpha}) \lor B = A$  is valid. Hence  $H \in T(H_{\alpha}) \lor B$ . In view of 1.4,  $H \in \text{Ext}(\text{Hom}\{H_{\alpha}\} \cup B)$ . If  $G_1 \in \text{Hom}\{H_{\alpha}\}$ ,  $G_1 \neq \{0\}$ , then card  $G_1 > \text{card } H$ . Hence  $H \in \text{Ext}B = B$ , which is a contradiction.

**3.3. Lemma.** There exists  $G_1 \in \text{Hom}(G)$ ,  $G_1 \neq \{0\}$  such that  $G_1$  can be expressed as a lexicographic product  $G_1 = \Gamma_{j \in J} H_j$  of factors  $H_j$  isomorphic to H, where J is a well-ordered set.

Proof. According to 3.2 we have  $H_{\alpha} \in B = T(G)$ . Hence is view of 1.3  $H_{\alpha} \in \text{Ext Hom} \{G\}$ . Thus there exists a convex subgroup  $G_1$  of  $H_{\alpha}$  with  $G_1 \neq \{0\}$  such that  $G_1 \in \text{Hom}(G)$ .

From the definition of  $H_{\alpha}$  it follows that  $G_1$  can be expressed uniquely as

$$G_1 = P \circ Q$$

such that (i) either  $P = \{0\}$  or  $P = \Gamma_{j \in J} H_j$ , where J is a well-ordered set and each  $H_j$  is isomorphic to H, and (ii) either  $Q = \{0\}$ , or Q is isomorphic to a convex subgroup of H and Q is not isomorphic to H.

Suppose that  $Q \neq \{0\}$ . Since  $G_1 \in \text{Hom}(G)$ , we have  $G_1 \in B$  and hence  $Q \in B$  (because of  $Q \in \text{Hom}(G_1)$ ). Thus B(Q) = Q and hence  $B(H) \neq \{0\}$ ; in view of 3.1, this is a contradiction. Hence  $Q = \{0\}$  and therefore  $P \neq \{0\}$ , completing the proof.

Now let  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  be non-zero archimedean linearly ordered groups such that  $K_1$  is not isomorphic to  $K_2$ . Let  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be infinite cardinals. Denote

$$G(\beta, \gamma) = (K_1)_{\beta} \circ (K_2)_{\gamma} \circ K_2.$$

**3.4. Lemma.**  $T(G(\beta, \gamma))$  has no cover in the lattice  $\mathcal{R}_a$ .

Proof. Put  $G(\beta, \gamma) = G$ , B = T(G) and assume that A is a cover of B. Let H be as in 3.1 and let  $G_1$  be as in 3.3. Since both  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are archimedean,  $G_1$  can be expressed in the form

$$G_1 = P_1 \circ Q_1$$

such that (i) either  $P_1 = \{0\}$  or  $P_1 = \Gamma_{i \in I} K_i$ , where I is a well-ordered set and each  $K_i$  is isomorphic to  $K_1$ ; (ii)  $Q_1 = \Gamma_{s \in S} K'_s$ , where S is a well-ordered set and each  $K'_s$  is isomorphic to  $K_2$ .

First assume that  $P_1 \neq \{0\}$ . Then from 3.3 and 2.2 we obtain that  $G_1 = H$  implying  $H \in B$ , which is a contradiction.

Now suppose that  $P_1 = \{0\}$ . Thus  $G_1 = Q_1$ . From this and from the Malcev Theorem on the existence of isomorphic rafinements (cf. [7] or [2]) it follows that H can be written as  $H = \Gamma_{m \in M} K_m$ , where M is a well-ordered set and each  $K_m$  is

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isomorphic to  $K_2$ . Hence  $H \in T(K_2)$ . From the definition of G we infer that  $K_2 \in T(G)$ , hence  $H \in T(G)$ , which is impossible.

**3.5. Lemma.** Let  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$  be distinct infinite cardinals,  $\beta_i > \operatorname{card} K_1$  (i = 1, 2). Then  $T(G(\beta_1, \gamma)) \neq T(G(\beta_2, \gamma))$ .

Proof. Let  $\beta_1 < \beta_2$ . It suffices to verify that  $G(\beta_1, \gamma)$  does not belong to  $T(G(\beta_2, \gamma))$ . By way of contradiction assume that  $G(\beta_1, \gamma) \in T(G(\beta_2, \gamma))$ . Thus  $G(\beta_1, \gamma) \in \text{Ext Hom}(G(\beta_2, \gamma))$ . Hence there exists a convex subgroup  $G_1 \neq \{0\}$  of  $G(\beta_1, \gamma)$  and a homomorphic image  $G_2$  of  $G(\beta_2, \gamma)$  such that  $G_1$  is isomorphic to  $G_2$ .

From the structure of  $G(\beta_1, \gamma)$  and  $G(\beta_2, \gamma)$  it follows that

 $G_1 = P_1 \circ Q_1,$ 

such that either (i)  $P_1 = (K_1)_{\beta_1}$  and  $Q_1$  is a convex subgroup of  $(K_2)_{\gamma \circ} K_2$ , or (ii)  $P_1$  is a convex subgroup of  $(K_1)_{\beta_1}$  and  $Q_1 = \{0\}$ ; further  $G_2$  is isomorphic to

 $P_2 \circ Q_2$ 

such that either (i')  $P_2$  is a homomorphic image of  $(K_1)_{\beta_2}$  and  $Q_2$  is isomorphic to  $(K_2)_{\gamma_0}K_2$ , or (ii')  $P_2 = \{0\}$  and  $Q_2$  is a homomorphic image of  $(K_2)_{\gamma_0}K_2$ .

In view  $\delta f(i)$  and (*ii*), the condition (*ii'*) cannot hold. From (*i'*) it follows that the condition (*i*) must be valid and that  $G_1$  is isomorphic to  $G(\beta_1, \gamma)$ ; this implies that  $P_1$  is isomorphic to  $P_2$ . However, this is impossible, because card  $P_1 = \beta_1 < \beta_2 = \text{card } P_2$ .

From 3.4, 3.5 and from the fact that  $K_2$  belongs to  $T(G(\beta, \gamma))$  we obtain:

**3.6. Theorem.** Let  $K \neq \{0\}$  be an archimedean linearly ordered group. There exists  $C \subset \mathcal{R}_a$  such that:

(i) if  $X \in C$ , then X is principal and has no cover in  $\mathcal{R}_a$ ;

(ii) T(K) < X for each  $X \in C$ ;

(iii) there exists an injective mapping of the class of all cardinals into C.

**3.7. Corollary.** There exists an injective mapping of the class of all cardinals into  $\mathcal{R}_1$ .

We conclude by remarking that for each  $X \in C$  there exists  $X' \in \mathcal{R}_a$  such that X covers X'; moreover, X' is the join of all radical classes less than X (the proof is analogous to that of Propos. 4.7, [5] and therefore it will be omitted).

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#### ПОКРЫТИЯ В РЕШЕТКЕ РАДИКАЛЬНЫХ КЛАССОВ ЛИНЕЙНО УПОРЯДОЧЕННЫХ ГРУПП

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#### Резюме

Пусть  $\mathcal{R}_a$  — решетка всех радикальных классов абелевых линейно упорядоченных групп. Пусть, далее,  $\mathcal{R}_1$  — класс всех  $X \in \mathcal{R}_a$  таких, что а) X является главным радикальным классом, и б) X не имеет покрытий в  $\mathcal{R}_a$ . В статье доказано, что  $\mathcal{R}_1$  — собственный класс.