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DIRECT PRODUCT DECOMPOSITIONS OF BOUNDED
COMMUTATIVE RESIDUATED ℓ -MONOIDS

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Abstract. The notion of bounded commutative residuated ℓ -monoid (*BCR* ℓ -monoid, in short) generalizes both the notions of *MV*-algebra and of *BL*-algebra. Let \mathcal{A} be a *BCR* ℓ -monoid; we denote by $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ the underlying lattice of \mathcal{A} . In the present paper we show that each direct product decomposition of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ determines a direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} . This yields that any two direct product decompositions of \mathcal{A} have isomorphic refinements. We consider also the relations between direct product decompositions of \mathcal{A} and states on \mathcal{A} .

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1. INTRODUCTION

A bounded commutative residuated ℓ -monoid (*BCR* ℓ -monoid, in short) is an algebra $\mathcal{A} = (A; \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, 0)$ of type $(2, 2, 2, 2, 0, 0)$ satisfying certain axioms (cf. Dvurečenskij and Rachůnek [3], [4]; cf. also Section 2 for a detailed definition). The algebra $\ell(\mathcal{A}) = (A; \vee, \wedge, 1, 0)$ is a lattice with the greatest element 1 and the least element 0; we say that $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ is the underlying lattice of \mathcal{A} .

Particular cases of *BCR* ℓ -monoids are *MV*-algebras (cf. Cignoli, D'Ottaviano and Mundici [2]) and *BL*-algebras (cf. Hájek [5]). On the other hand, the notion of *BCR* ℓ -monoid is a particular case of the notion of the commutative residuated ℓ -monoid. This is a dual of the notion of the *DRL*-monoid which was introduced and studied by Swamy [13].

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Direct product decompositions of MV -algebra were dealt with by the author [7]; for the case of pseudo MV -algebras and pseudo effect algebras cf. [8] or [9], respectively.

Two-factor direct product decompositions of dually residuated lattice ordered monoids were investigated by Rachůnek and Šalounová [12].

Let \mathcal{A} be a BCR ℓ -monoid. In the present paper we prove that each direct product decomposition of the lattice $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ determines a direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} . Any two internal direct product decompositions of \mathcal{A} have a common refinement. Hence any two direct product decompositions of \mathcal{A} have isomorphic refinements. We consider also the relations between direct product decompositions of \mathcal{A} and states on \mathcal{A} .

2. PRELIMINARIES

We recall the definition of a BCR ℓ -monoid (cf. [3]).

A BCR ℓ -monoid is an algebra $\mathcal{A} = (A; \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, 0)$ of type $(2, 2, 2, 2, 0, 0)$ which satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) $(A; \odot, 1)$ is a commutative monoid.
- (ii) $(A; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a lattice with the least element 0 and the greatest element 1 .
- (iii) The operation \odot distributes over the operations \vee and \wedge .
- (iv) $x \odot y \leq z$ if and only if $x \leq y \rightarrow z$ for any $x, y, z \in A$.
- (v) The identity $(x \rightarrow y) \odot x = x \wedge y$ is valid in A .

For each $x, y \in A$ we put

$$x^- = x \rightarrow 0,$$

$$d(x, y) = (x \rightarrow y) \wedge (y \rightarrow x).$$

The following basic rules are consequences of the axioms (i)–(v) (cf. e.g. [3]):

- (b1) $x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \rightarrow y = 1$.
- (b2) $x \rightarrow (y \wedge z) = (x \rightarrow y) \wedge (x \rightarrow z)$.
- (b3) $d(x, y) = (x \vee y) \rightarrow (x \wedge y)$.
- (b4) $x \odot y = 0 \Leftrightarrow y \leq x^-$.

Since 0 is the least element of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$, from (b4) we obtain

$$(*_1) \quad x \odot 0 = 0 \text{ for } x \in A.$$

Further, (v) implies $(1 \rightarrow x) \odot 1 = 1 \wedge x$, hence

$$(*_2) \quad 1 \rightarrow x = x \text{ for } x \in A.$$

Since $x \vee 1 = 1$ for each $x \in A$, in view of (iii) we get, for each $x, y \in A$,

$$(x \odot y) \vee (1 \odot y) = 1 \odot y,$$

$$(x \odot y) \vee y = y.$$

Therefore

$$(*_3) \quad x \odot y \leq y \text{ and } x \odot y \leq x \text{ for each } x, y \in A.$$

In view of [3], Section 3 we have

$$(*_4) \quad x_1 \leq x_2 \text{ and } y_1 \leq y_2 \text{ imply } x_1 \odot y_1 \leq x_2 \odot y_2 \text{ for each } x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \in A.$$

Also, according to [3],

$$(*_5) \quad \text{the lattice } \ell(\mathcal{A}) \text{ is distributive.}$$

Let I be a nonempty set and for each $i \in I$ let \mathcal{A}_i be a BCR ℓ -monoid. The direct product $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_i$ is defined in the usual way. If $I = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, then we apply also the notation $\mathcal{A}_1 \times \dots \times \mathcal{A}_n$. The elements of $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_i$ are written in the form $x = (x_i)_{i \in I}$; x_i is the *component* of x in \mathcal{A}_i . We write also $x_i = x(\mathcal{A}_i)$.

Let \mathcal{A} be a BCR ℓ -monoid. An isomorphism of the form

$$(1) \quad \varphi: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_i$$

is a *direct product decomposition* of \mathcal{A} . If $a \in A$ and $\varphi(a) = (a_i)_{i \in I}$ then instead of $\varphi(a)(\mathcal{A}_i) = a_i$ we write shortly $a(\mathcal{A}_i) = a_i$.

For each $i \in I$ we put

$$A_{i0} = \{a \in A: a(\mathcal{A}_j) = 1(\mathcal{A}_j) \text{ for each } j \in I \setminus \{i\}\}.$$

Let $x^i \in A_i$, where A_i is the underlying set of \mathcal{A}_i . We denote by $\varphi_i(x^i)$ the element of A_{i0} whose i -th component is x^i ; i.e., we have

$$\varphi_i(x^i)(\mathcal{A}_i) = x^i.$$

Let 0^i be the least element of $\ell(\mathcal{A}_i)$; we set $\varphi_i(0^i) = c_i$. Then A_{i0} is the interval $[c_i, 1]$ of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$. The set A_{i0} is closed with respect to the operations \odot, \rightarrow, \vee and \wedge . It is easy to verify that the algebra

$$\mathcal{A}_{i0} = (A_{i0}; \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, c_i)$$

is a BCR ℓ -monoid and that the mapping

$$(2) \quad \varphi_i: \mathcal{A}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{i0}$$

is an isomorphism.

For each $a \in A$ we set

$$\varphi_0(a) = (\varphi_i(a_i))_{i \in I}.$$

Then in view of (1) and (2) we conclude that the mapping

$$(3) \quad \varphi_0: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_{i0}$$

is a direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} .

We say that \mathcal{A}_{i0} ($i \in I$) are *internal direct factors* of \mathcal{A} and that (3) is an *internal direct product decomposition* of \mathcal{A} .

For a similar terminology concerning groups cf., e.g., Kurosh [11].

Further, we apply the analogous terminology and notation in the case when instead of \mathcal{A} and $(\mathcal{A}_{i0})_{i \in I}$ we deal with a bounded lattice L and an indexed system $(L_i)_{i \in I}$ of bounded lattices. The greatest element and the least element of L are denoted by 1 and by 0, respectively; the symbols 1^i and 0^i have analogous meanings with respect to the lattice L_i for $i \in I$.

We recall that in the terminology of [10] concerning internal direct product decompositions of partially ordered sets, we now deal with the case when the element 1 of the lattice $L = \ell(\mathcal{A})$ is taken as the central element in the direct product decomposition under consideration (according to [10], any element of L could be taken as central for such decompositions of the lattice L).

3. TWO-FACTOR DIRECT PRODUCT DECOMPOSITIONS

Again, let \mathcal{A} be a *BCR* ℓ -monoid and $L = \ell(\mathcal{A})$. In this section we assume that L has a two-factor direct product decomposition

$$(1) \quad \varphi: L \rightarrow L_1 \times L_2.$$

Since the lattice L is bounded, in view of (1) we obtain that the lattice L_i is bounded as well, where $i \in \{1, 2, \}$; let 1^i and 0^i be the greatest and the least element of L_i , respectively. We put

$$\varphi^{-1}((1^1, 0^2)) = p, \quad \varphi^{-1}((0^1, 1^2)) = q.$$

Then we have

$$(2) \quad p \vee q = 1, \quad p \wedge q = 0.$$

Let $t \in A$, $\varphi(t) = (t_1, t_2)$. Further, let φ_0 be as in Section 2. Then $\varphi_0(t) = (\bar{t}_1, \bar{t}_2)$, where

$$\varphi(\bar{t}_1) = (t_1, 1), \quad \varphi(\bar{t}_2) = (1, t_2).$$

Therefore

$$\bar{t}_1 = p \vee t, \quad \bar{t}_2 = q \vee t, \quad \bar{t}_1 \wedge \bar{t}_2 = t.$$

Applying the notation from Section 2, we have an internal direct product decomposition

$$(1') \quad \varphi_0: L_{10} \times L_{20}.$$

Clearly, L_{10} is the interval $[p, 1]$ of L ; similarly, L_{20} is the interval $[q, 1]$ of L .

Lemma 3.1. $p \odot q = 0$, $p \odot p = p$ and $q \odot q = q$.

Proof. From the relation $p \wedge q = 0$ and from $(*_3)$ we obtain $p \odot q = 0$. Further, from $p \vee q = 1$ we get

$$(p \odot p) \vee (p \odot q) = p \odot 1,$$

thus $p \odot p = p$. Similarly, $q \odot q = q$. □

Lemma 3.2. The interval $[p, 1]$ of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ is closed with respect to the operation \odot .

Proof. This is a consequence of the relation $p \odot p = p$ and of $(*_4)$. □

Lemma 3.3. The interval $[p, 1]$ of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ is closed with respect to the operation \rightarrow .

Proof. Let $y, z \in [p, 1]$. We have to verify that the relation $p \leq y \rightarrow z$ is valid. In view of (iv) it suffices to show that $p \odot y \leq z$.

According to 3.1, $(*_4)$ and $(*_3)$ we get

$$p = p \odot p \leq p \odot y \leq p,$$

whence $p \odot y = p$. Therefore $p \odot y \leq z$. □

Lemma 3.4. The algebra $\mathcal{A}_1 = ([p, 1]; \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, p)$ is a BCR ℓ -monoid.

Proof. This is a consequence of 3.2 and 3.3. □

An analogous result holds for the algebra $\mathcal{A}_2 = ([q, 1], \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, q)$.

Lemma 3.5. For each $x \in A$ let us put $\varphi_1(x) = x \vee p$. Then for each $x, y \in A$ we have

- a) $\varphi_1(x \vee y) = \varphi_1(x) \vee \varphi_1(y)$;
- b) $\varphi_1(x \wedge y) = \varphi_1(x) \wedge \varphi_1(y)$;
- c) $\varphi_1(x \odot y) = \varphi_1(x) \odot \varphi_1(y)$.

Proof. The relation a) is obvious. In view of the distributivity of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$, b) is valid. The condition (iii) implies that c) holds. \square

We clearly have $\varphi_1(x) = x$ for each $x \in [p, 1]$, hence φ_1 is a surjective mapping of A onto $[p, 1]$.

For the mapping $\varphi_2(x) = x \vee q$ we have an analogous result.

Consider the algebra $\mathcal{A}^* = (A; \odot, \vee, \wedge, 1, 0)$. Let φ_0 be as in (1'). Then in view of 3.5 we obtain

Lemma 3.6. The mapping

$$(1'') \quad \varphi_0: \mathcal{A}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_1^* \times \mathcal{A}_2^*$$

is an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A}^* (where \mathcal{A}_1^* and \mathcal{A}_2^* are defined analogously to \mathcal{A}^*).

Now let us deal with the operation \rightarrow .

Let $y, z \in A$. We put $X = \{x \in A: x \odot y \leq z\}$. Then according to (iv) we get

$$(3) \quad y \rightarrow z = \max X.$$

Consider the set

$$X_1 = \{t \in [p, 1]: t \odot \varphi_1(y) \leq \varphi_1(z)\}.$$

Analogously to (3),

$$(3') \quad \varphi_1(y) \rightarrow \varphi_1(z) = \max X_1.$$

In view of 3.6, we have

Lemma 3.7. Let $x \in A$. Then $x \odot y \leq z$ if and only if $\varphi_1(x) \odot \varphi_1(y) \leq \varphi_1(z)$ and $\varphi_2(x) \odot \varphi_2(y) \leq \varphi_2(z)$.

Put $X_0 = \{\varphi_1(x) : x \in X\}$. Applying 3.6 again, we get

$$(3'') \quad \varphi_1(y \rightarrow z) = \max X_0.$$

Also, $\varphi_1(x) = x \vee p \in X_1$ for each $x \in X$, hence

$$(4) \quad X_0 \subseteq X_1.$$

Let $v \in X_1$. Hence $v \odot \varphi_1(y) \leq \varphi_1(z)$. Since $v \in [p, 1]$, we obtain $v = \varphi_1(v)$, thus

$$(5) \quad \varphi_1(v) \odot \varphi_1(y) \leq \varphi_1(z).$$

We take any fixed $t \in X$. In view of 3.7,

$$(6) \quad \varphi_2(t) \odot \varphi_2(y) \leq \varphi_2(z).$$

According to Lemma 3.6 there exists $u \in A$ such that

$$\varphi_1(u) = \varphi_1(v), \quad \varphi_2(u) = \varphi_2(t).$$

Then in view of (5), (6) and 3.7 we conclude that u is an element of X . Therefore $\varphi_1(u) \in X_0$. Since $\varphi_1(u) = v$, we get $v \in X_0$. Hence $X_1 \subseteq X_0$. Summarizing, we have $X_1 = X_0$. Thus from (3') and (3'') we obtain

$$\mathbf{Lemma 3.8.} \quad \varphi_1(y \rightarrow z) = \varphi_1(y) \rightarrow \varphi_1(z).$$

Similarly, the relation

$$(7) \quad \varphi_2(y \rightarrow z) = \varphi_2(y) \rightarrow \varphi_2(z)$$

is valid.

Now from Lemma 3.6, Lemma 3.8 and (7) we conclude

Lemma 3.9. *The mapping*

$$\varphi_0 : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_1 \times \mathcal{A}_2$$

is an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} .

We have verified that each two-factor direct product decomposition of the lattice $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ determines a two-factor internal direct product decomposition of the BCR ℓ -monoid \mathcal{A} .

In the next section we will extend this result to the case when the direct product decomposition of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ can have more than two factors.

We remark that Lemma 3.9 is related to Proposition 2.1 in Dvurečenskij and Rachůnek [4]. Applying the terminology used at the end of Section 2 above, the differences between the two results are as follows:

1) In 3.9 we deal with internal direct product decompositions having the central element 1 (i.e., we have direct factors whose underlying sets are of the form $[p, 1]$ while in 2.1 of [4], the central element is 0 (i.e., the factors are defined on intervals of type $[0, e]$).

2) On the direct factor, we work with the original binary operation \rightarrow (as defined in \mathcal{A}), while in 2.1 of [4], new operations \rightarrow_e are introduced.

In connection with the above situation let us also mention the well-known fact that if L is a distributive lattice with $a, b, u, v \in L$ such that

$$[u, v] = L, \quad a \wedge b = u, \quad a \vee b = v,$$

then the mapping $\psi: L \rightarrow [a, v] \times [b, v]$ defined by

$$\psi(x) = (x \vee a, x \vee b) \quad \text{for each } x \in L$$

yields a direct product decomposition of L . The corresponding dual result also holds.

4. THE GENERAL CASE

Assume that \mathcal{A} is a BCR ℓ -monoid and that for the corresponding lattice $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ we have a direct product decomposition

$$(1) \quad \varphi: \ell(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} L_i.$$

We suppose that I has at least two elements.

Let i be a fixed element of I . Put $I^i = \{j \in I: j \neq i\}$ and

$$L'_i = \prod_{j \in I^i} L_j.$$

For $a \in A$ we put

$$\begin{aligned} a(L'_i) &= (a(L_j))_{j \in I^i}, \\ \varphi^i(a) &= (a(L_i), a(L_j))_{j \in I^i}. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have a two factor direct product decomposition

$$(1') \quad \varphi^i: \ell(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow L_i \times L'_i.$$

We construct L_{i0}, L'_{i0} and φ_0^i as in Section 2. In this way we obtain a two-factor internal direct product decomposition

$$(1'') \quad \varphi_0^i: \ell(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow L_{i0} \times L'_{i0}.$$

In view of Lemma 3.9 we conclude that

- 1) the algebra $(L_{i0}; \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, v^i)$ is a *BCR* ℓ -monoid; it will be denoted by \mathcal{A}_{i0} ,
- 2) the algebra $(L'_{i0}; \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, v^{i1})$ is a *BCR* ℓ -monoid which will be denoted by \mathcal{A}'_{i0} ;
- 3) the mapping

$$(1''') \quad \varphi_0^i: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{i0} \times \mathcal{A}'_{i0}$$

is an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} .

Let $a \in \mathcal{A}$ and $i \in I$. By virtue of (1''') we can consider the component $a(\mathcal{A}_{i0})$ of a in \mathcal{A}_{i0} .

Now we put $\varphi_0(a) = (a(\mathcal{A}_{i0}))_{i \in I}$.

Theorem 4.1. *The mapping*

$$\varphi_0: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_{i0}$$

is an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} .

Proof. Let $i \in I$. In view of (1'''), the mapping

$$a \rightarrow a(\mathcal{A}_{i0})$$

is a homomorphism of \mathcal{A} onto \mathcal{A}_{i0} . This implies that φ_0 is a homomorphism of \mathcal{A} into $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_{i0}$.

According to (1) and the definitions from Section 2, φ_0 yields an internal direct product decomposition of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$. Hence the mapping φ_0 is a bijection. Thus φ_0 is an isomorphism of \mathcal{A} onto $\prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_{i0}$. Moreover, in view of the above mentioned fact concerning $\ell(\mathcal{A})$, φ_0 is also an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} . \square

Let φ_0 be as in 4.1. Further, let

$$\psi_0: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \prod_{j \in J} \mathcal{B}_{j0}$$

be another internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} . We say that ψ_0 is a refinement of φ_0 if for each $i \in I$ there exists a subset $J(i)$ of J such that we have an internal direct product decomposition

$$\mathcal{A}_{i0} \rightarrow \prod_{j \in J(i)} \mathcal{B}_{j0}.$$

An analogous terminology will be applied for internal direct product decompositions of bounded lattices.

Now let φ_0 and ψ_0 be any internal direct product decompositions of \mathcal{A} . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_0: \ell(\mathcal{A}) &\rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \ell(\mathcal{A}_{i0}), \\ \psi_0: \ell(\mathcal{A}) &\rightarrow \prod_{j \in J} \ell(\mathcal{A}_{j0}) \end{aligned}$$

are internal direct product decompositions of the lattice $\ell(\mathcal{A})$. According to the well-known result of Hashimoto [6], any two internal direct product decompositions of a bounded lattice L have a common refinement. From this it also follows that the system of all internal direct factors of L is a Boolean algebra. Therefore in view of Theorem 4.1 we obtain

Theorem 4.2. *Any two internal direct product decompositions of a BCR ℓ -monoid \mathcal{A} have a common refinement. The system of all internal direct factors of \mathcal{A} is a Boolean algebra.*

Let \mathcal{A} be a BCR ℓ -monoid. Consider direct product decompositions

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha: \mathcal{A} &\rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_i, \\ \beta: \mathcal{A} &\rightarrow \prod_{j \in J} \mathcal{B}_j \end{aligned}$$

of \mathcal{A} . We say that α and β are isomorphic if there exists a bijection $\chi: I \rightarrow J$ such that $\mathcal{A}_i \simeq \mathcal{B}_{\chi(i)}$ for each $i \in I$.

The following assertion is obvious.

Lemma 4.3. *Let α, β and γ be direct product decompositions of a BCR ℓ -monoid \mathcal{A} . Assume that α is isomorphic to β and γ is a refinement of α . Then there exists a direct product decomposition δ of \mathcal{A} such that δ is a refinement of β and γ is isomorphic to δ .*

If α is a direct product decomposition of a BCR ℓ -monoid \mathcal{A} , then we denote by α_0 the corresponding internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} (cf. the notation φ and φ_0 in Section 2). It is obvious that α is isomorphic to α_0 .

From Theorem 4.1 and Lemma 4.3 we obtain (cf. Fig. 1, where γ_0 denotes the common refinement of α_0 and β_0)

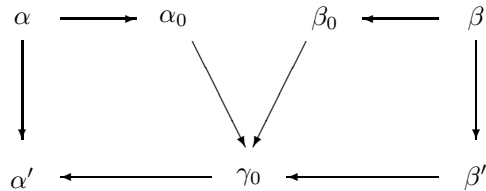


Fig. 1

Proposition 4.4. *Any two direct product decompositions of a BCR ℓ -monoid have isomorphic refinements.*

5. STATES ON DIRECT PRODUCTS

As above, let $\mathcal{A} = (A; \odot, \rightarrow, \vee, \wedge, 1, 0)$ be a BCR ℓ -monoid.

Definition 5.1 (Cf. [3]). A mapping s of the set A into the interval $[0, 1]$ of reals is called a state on \mathcal{A} if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (S1) $s(x) + s(x \rightarrow y) = s(y) + s(y \rightarrow x)$ for each $x, y, z \in A$;
- (S2) $s(0) = 0$ and $s(1) = 1$.

Assume that s is a state on \mathcal{A} . Then in view of Proposition 4.2 in [3], for each $x, y \in A$ we have

- (S6) $x \leq y \Rightarrow s(x) \leq s(y)$;
- (S13) $s(x) + s(y) = s(x \vee y) + s(x \wedge y)$.

Applying the standard terminology of lattice theory (cf. Birkhoff [1]), from (S13) we conclude that s is a *valuation* on the lattice $\ell(\mathcal{A})$.

We will use the notation from Section 2 and Section 3.

Proposition 5.2. *Assume that*

$$\varphi_0: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{10} \times \mathcal{A}_{20}$$

is an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} . Let s be a state on \mathcal{A} . Then the mapping s is uniquely determined by the values $s(t)$, where t runs over the set $A_{10} \cup A_{20}$.

Proof. The mapping φ_0 yields also a direct product decomposition of the lattice $\ell(\mathcal{A})$; we have

$$\varphi_0: \ell(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \ell(\mathcal{A}_{10}) \times \ell(\mathcal{A}_{20}).$$

Let p and q be as in Section 3; hence $\ell(\mathcal{A}_{10})$ is an interval $[p, 1]$ of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$; similarly $\ell(\mathcal{A}_{20})$ is an interval $[q, 1]$ of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$.

For $x \in A$ we put $p_1 = p \vee x$ and $q_1 = q \vee x$. Then $p_1, q_1 \in A_{10} \cup A_{20}$ and

$$p_1 \vee q_1 = 1, \quad p_1 \wedge q_1 = x.$$

Thus in view of (S13) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} s(p_1) + s(q_1) &= 1 + s(x), \\ s(x) &= s(p_1) + s(q_1) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

□

By the obvious induction, from Proposition 5.2 we get

Proposition 5.3. *Assume that*

$$\varphi_0: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_{10} \times \dots \times \mathcal{A}_{1n}$$

is an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} . Let s be a state on \mathcal{A} . Then the mapping s is uniquely determined by the values $s(t)$, where t runs over the set $A_{10} \cup \dots \cup A_{n0}$.

Let the assumptions of Proposition 5.2 be fulfilled and let p, q be as in the proof of 5.2. Then $p \vee q = 1$ and $p \wedge q = 0$, whence in view of (S13) we get

$$(1) \quad s(p) + s(q) = 1.$$

Further, according to (S6), for each $p_1 \in [p, 1]$ and each $q_1 \in [q, 1]$ we have

$$(2) \quad s(p_1) \in [s(p), 1], \quad s(q_1) \in [s(q), 1].$$

Having in mind the relations (1) and (2) we consider the following construction. Assume that r_1, r_2 are non-negative integers with $r_1 + r_2 = 1$.

Suppose that s_1 is a mapping of the interval $[p, 1]$ of $\ell(\mathcal{A})$ into the interval $[r_1, 1]$ of reals such that for any $p_1, p_2 \in [p, 1]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(p_1) + s_1(p_1 \rightarrow p_2) &= s_1(p_2) + s_1(p_2 \rightarrow p_1), \\ s_1(p) &= r_1, \quad s_1(1) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Further, suppose that $s_2: [q, 1] \rightarrow [r_2, 1]$ has analogous properties.

Recall (cf. Section 3) that for $x \in A$ we have $\varphi_0(x) = (x \vee p, x \vee q)$. For each $x \in A$ we put

$$(3) \quad s(x) = s_1(x \vee p) + s_2(x \vee q) - 1.$$

Proposition 5.4. *Let s be as in (3). Then s is a state on \mathcal{A} .*

Proof. By easy calculation we verify that $s(0) = 0$ and $s(1) = 1$.

Let $x, y \in A$. Put $x \vee p = p_1, x \vee q = q_1, y \vee p = p_2, y \vee q = q_2$. In view of 3.9,

$$(x \rightarrow y) \vee p = (x \vee p) \rightarrow (y \vee p) = p_1 \rightarrow p_2.$$

Analogously we have

$$(x \rightarrow y) \vee q = q_1 \rightarrow q_2, \quad (y \rightarrow x) \vee p = p_2 \rightarrow p_1, \quad (y \rightarrow x) \vee q = q_2 \rightarrow q_1.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} s(x) &= s_1(p_1) + s_2(q_1) - 1, \\ s(y) &= s_1(p_2) + s_2(q_2) - 1, \\ s(x \rightarrow y) &= s_1(p_1 \rightarrow p_2) + s_2(q_1 \rightarrow q_2) - 1, \\ s(y \rightarrow x) &= s_1(p_2 \rightarrow p_1) + s_2(q_2 \rightarrow q_1) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

Using these relations and the above mentioned assumptions concerning s_1 and s_2 we obtain that (S1) holds. □

Similarly to Propositions 5.2 and 5.3, Proposition 5.4 can be generalized for n -factor direct product decompositions.

Now let us suppose that s is a state on a *BCR* ℓ -monoid and that

$$\varphi_0: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_{i0}$$

is an internal direct product decomposition of \mathcal{A} such that the set I is infinite.

We apply the notation as in the previous section. The case $\text{card } A = 1$ being trivial we suppose that $\text{card } A > 1$; then without loss of generality we can assume that $\text{card } A_{i_0} > 1$ for each $i \in I$.

For $i \in I$, v^i is the least element of A_{i_0} and 1 is the greatest element of A_{i_0} . Hence $v^i < 1$.

We prove the following result:

Proposition 5.5. *Let φ_0 and s be as above. Put*

$$I_0 = \{i \in I : s(v^i) = 1\}.$$

Then $\text{card}(I \setminus I_0) \leq \aleph_0$.

Before proving Proposition 5.5 we need some auxiliary considerations.

Let $i \in I$. There exists $q^i \in A$ such that

$$q^i(\mathcal{A}_{i_0}) = 1, \quad q^i(\mathcal{A}_{j_0}) = v^i \quad \text{for each } j \in I \setminus \{i\}.$$

Hence $q^i \neq 0$. If $i(1)$ and $i(2)$ are distinct elements of I , then

$$q^{i(1)} \wedge q^{i(2)} = 0, \quad q^{i(1)} \vee q^{i(2)} = 1.$$

Let I_0 be as in 5.5. Further, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we set

$$I_n = \left\{ i \in I : \frac{1}{n+1} < s(q^i) \leq \frac{1}{n} \right\}.$$

Thus the sets I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots are mutually disjoint.

Lemma 5.6. *Let k be a positive integer. Then the set I_k is finite.*

Proof. By way of contradiction, assume that the set I_k is infinite. Then there exists a system of distinct elements $\{i(k, n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ belonging to I_k . Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$. We denote

$$t_m = q^{i(k,1)} \vee \dots \vee q^{i(k,m)}.$$

Since the elements $q^{i(k,1)}, \dots, q^{i(k,m)}$ are mutually orthogonal, from (S13) and by induction we obtain

$$s(t_m) = s(q^{i(k,1)}) + \dots + s(q^{i(k,m)}).$$

In view of the definition of I_k ,

$$\frac{1}{k+1} < s(q^{i(k,1)}), \dots, \frac{1}{k+1} < s(q^{i(k,m)}),$$

whence $s(t_m) > m/(k+1)$. For $m > k+1$ we get $s(t_m) > 1$, which is a contradiction. \square

Proof of Proposition 5.5. Put $I^* = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$. According to Lemma 5.6 we obtain $\text{card } I^* \leq \aleph_0$. For each $i \in I$ we have

$$v^i \wedge q^i = 0, \quad v^i \vee q^i = 1.$$

Then in view of (S13) we get $S(v^i) + S(q^i) = 1$, whence

$$s(v^i) = 1 \Leftrightarrow s(q^i) = 0.$$

This yields $I \setminus I_0 = I^*$. Therefore $\text{card}(I \setminus I_0) \leq \aleph_0$. □

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