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# ON MINIMAL RESIDUATED BOUNDED MAPPINGS IN ATOMISTIC LATTICES

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ABSTRACT. Relationship between automorphisms and residuated bounded mappings in atomistic lattices is studied.

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Let P be an ordered set. For each  $M \subseteq P$  we put

$$L(M) := \{ p \in P : (\forall m \in M) (p \le m) \}$$
$$\uparrow M := \{ p \in P : (\exists m \in M) (m \le p) \}.$$

Let P, Q be ordered sets. The set of all isotone mappings of P to Q will be denoted by  $Q^{\langle P \rangle}.$ 

Let  $f \in Q^{\langle P \rangle}$  and  $g \in P^{\langle Q \rangle}$ . We write  $f \dashv g$  if

$$(\forall l \in P)(\forall m \in Q)(f(l) \le m \iff l \le g(m))$$

and say that [f, g] is an adjoint pair.

Clearly,  $f \dashv g$  and  $f' \dashv g'$  implies that  $f' \circ f \dashv g \circ g'$  whenever  $f \in Q^{\langle P \rangle}$ ,  $g \in P^{\langle Q \rangle}$ ,  $f' \in R^{\langle Q \rangle}$  and  $g' \in Q^{\langle R \rangle}$ .

An isotone mapping  $f \in Q^{\langle P \rangle}$  is said to be *residuated* or a *left adjoint* if the following equivalent conditions hold:

- $(1) \ (\exists g \in P^{\langle Q \rangle}) \Big( (\forall l \in P) \big( l \leq g \circ f(l) \big) \ \& \ (\forall m \in Q) \big( f \circ g(m) \leq m \big) \Big);$
- $(2) \ (\exists g \in P^{\langle Q \rangle})(f \dashv g);$
- (3)  $(\forall m \in Q)(f^{-1}[L(\{m\})])$  is a principal ideal in P).

If P and Q are complete lattices, the preceding conditions are also equivalent with

(4) f is a  $\bigvee$ -homomorphism.

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Blyth ([1], [2]) may serve as a reference.

Let L be an atomistic complete lattice. We denote R(L) the pointwise ordered set of all residuated order endomorphisms f of L such that

$$f(1) = 1$$
$$f(y) = 0 \iff y = 0$$

where 0 is the bottom element and 1 is the top element of L. It is clear that R(L) is the set of all left adjoints from adjoint pairs of bounded order endomorphisms of L. The set of all minimal elements in R(L) is denoted by MR(L). It is obvious that each automorphism of L belongs to MR(L), that is  $Aut(L) \subseteq MR(L)$ . The conjecture formulated by K u c h m e i is as follows.

For each atomistic modular lattice L of finite length,  $\operatorname{Aut}(L) = \operatorname{MR}(L)$ . We shall prove that the conjecture is false.

**Theorem 1.** Let L be an atomistic lattice of finite length. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) L is a finite lattice of length at most 2;
- (ii)  $\operatorname{Aut}(L) = \operatorname{MR}(L)$ .

The following lemmas and consequently the theorem require the axiom of choice. Recall that every lattice of finite length is complete.

Lemma 2. Let L be an atomistic lattice of finite length. Then

$$R(L) = \uparrow_{R(L)} MR(L).$$

Proof. Let  $h \in R(L)$ . There exists a maximal chain C in R(L) such that  $h \in C$ . Define  $f: L \to L$  by

$$f(y) := \bigwedge \{ g(y) : g \in C \}$$

and note that  $f(y) \in \{g(y): g \in C\}$  as  $\{g(y): g \in C\}$  is finite. Therefore f(1) = 1 and also f(y) = 0 implies y = 0. If y < z, then there exists  $g \in C$  such that f(y) = g(y) and f(z) = g(z), and therefore  $f(y) \le f(z)$ . Hence f is isotone. Let  $Y \subseteq L$ . Then there exist  $y_1, \ldots, y_n \in Y$  such that  $\bigvee Y = y_1 \vee \cdots \vee y_n$ . Consequently, there exists  $g \in C$  such that  $(\forall i) f(y_i) = g(y_i)$  and  $f(\bigvee Y) = g(\bigvee Y)$ . Therefore  $f(\bigvee Y) = g(\bigvee Y) = g(y_1 \vee \cdots \vee y_n) = g(y_1) \vee \cdots \vee g(y_n) = f(y_1) \vee \cdots \vee f(y_n) \le \bigvee f[Y]$ . As f is isotone, the converse inequality is also true. Hence f is a  $\bigvee$ -homomorphism. To sum up,  $f \in \operatorname{MR}(L)$  and  $f \le h$ .  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3.** Let L be an infinite lattice of length 2. Then there exists a lattice endomorphism in  $MR(L) \setminus Aut(L)$ .

Proof. Consider an arbitrary countable subset in At(L), say  $A = \{a_0, a_1, a_2, \ldots\}$ . Define f by  $f(a_i) := f(a_{i+1})$  and f(a) := a if  $a \in At(L) \setminus A$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.** Let L be an atomistic lattice. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) L is a finite lattice of length at most 2;
- (ii)  $\uparrow_{\mathbf{R}(L)} \mathbf{Aut}(L) = \mathbf{R}(L)$ .

# Proof.

- (i)  $\Longrightarrow$  (ii): Let L be a finite atomistic lattice of length at most 2, that is a singleton, a two-element chain or a finite diamond. If L is a singleton or a two-element chain, then  $R(L) = \{ \mathrm{id}_L \}$  and the result is obvious. If L is a diamond with n atoms and  $f \in \mathrm{MR}(L)$ , then  $f[\![\mathrm{At}(L)]\!] = \mathrm{At}(L)$ . In order to prove this claim, denote  $\mathrm{At}_0(L) := \{a \in \mathrm{At}(L) : f(a) \in \mathrm{At}(L)\}$  and  $\mathrm{At}_1(L) := \{a \in \mathrm{At}(L) : f(a) = 1\}$ . As  $1 = f(1) = f(a_1 \vee a_2) = f(a_1) \vee f(a_2)$  for any distinct atoms  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ , f is injective on  $\mathrm{At}_0(L)$ . Let g be an arbitrary bijection of  $\mathrm{At}_1(L)$  onto  $\mathrm{At}(L) \vee f[\![\mathrm{At}_0(L)]\!]$ . Then f' defined by f'(a) := f(a) if  $a \in \mathrm{At}_0(L)$  and f'(a) := g(a) if  $a \in \mathrm{At}_1(a)$  belongs to  $\mathrm{R}(L)$ . Clearly  $f' \leq f$ . As f was minimal, f' = f and therefore  $\mathrm{At}_0(L) = \mathrm{At}(L)$ . Hence  $f \in \mathrm{Aut}(L)$ .
- (ii)  $\Longrightarrow$  (i): If L is not of length at most 2, that is  $L \neq \operatorname{At}(L) \cup \{0,1\}$ , then take an arbitrary element  $c \in L \setminus \operatorname{At}(L) \setminus \{0,1\}$ . Since L is atomistic, there exists an atom  $a \in \operatorname{At}(L) \setminus \operatorname{L}(\{c\})$ . Define f by

$$\begin{split} f(y) &:= a & \text{if} \quad y \in \mathcal{L}(\{c\}) \smallsetminus \{0\} \\ f(a) &:= c \\ f(0) &:= 0 \\ f(y) &:= a \vee c \quad \text{if} \quad y \in \mathcal{L}(\{a \vee c\}) \smallsetminus \mathcal{L}(\{a\}) \smallsetminus \mathcal{L}(\{c\}) \\ f(y) &:= 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{split}$$

It is obvious that  $f \in R(L)$ . As a is the image of at least two different elements, namely c and atoms in  $L(\{c\})$ , there exists no  $g \in Aut(L)$  such that  $g \leq f$ .

If L is an infinite lattice of length 2, then the result follows by Lemma 3.  $\Box$ 

The proof of the theorem follows from Proposition 4 and Lemma 2.

The set of all lattice endomorphisms of L will be denoted  $\operatorname{End}(L)$ .

**PROPOSITION 5.** Let L be a finite atomistic lattice. Then  $\operatorname{End}(L) \cap \operatorname{R}(L) = \operatorname{Aut}(L)$ .

Proof. Let  $f \in \operatorname{End}(L) \cap \operatorname{R}(L)$ . Then for any two distinct atoms  $a_1, a_2$  we have  $f(a_1) \wedge f(a_2) = f(a_1 \wedge a_2) = f(0) = 0$ , and hence  $(\operatorname{L}(\{f(a_1)\}) \cap \operatorname{At}(L)) \cap (\operatorname{L}(\{f(a_2)\}) \cap \operatorname{At}(L)) = \emptyset$ . It is immediate that  $|\operatorname{L}(\{f(a)\}) \cap \operatorname{At}(L)| = 1$ , and therefore  $f(a) \in \operatorname{At}(L)$ , for any atom a. Therefore f defines a bijection on  $\operatorname{At}(L)$ . Moreover, there exists a natural number n such that  $f^n$  is the identity on  $\operatorname{At}(L)$ . As f is a lattice homomorphism, so is  $f^n$ . If  $b = a_1 \vee \cdots \vee a_k$  where  $a_i \in \operatorname{At}(L)$ , then  $f^n(b) = f^n(a_1 \vee \cdots \vee a_k) = f^n(a_1) \vee \cdots \vee f^n(a_k) = a_1 \vee \cdots \vee a_k = b$ . Hence  $f^n = \operatorname{id}_L$ . Finally,  $f \in \operatorname{Aut}(L)$ . The converse inclusion is obvious.

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For infinite atomistic lattices of length 2 the statement is not true, see Lemma 3.

**PROPOSITION 6.** Let L be an atomistic lattice of finite length and  $f \in \text{End}(L) \cap R(L)$ ,  $g \in \text{End}(L)$  be such that  $f \dashv g$ . Then  $f \in \text{Aut}(L)$  and  $g = f^{-1}$ .

Proof. First we shall show that both  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$  are the identity on  $\operatorname{At}(L)$ . It is clear that  $g^{-1}[\![0]\!]$  is a principal ideal, say  $\operatorname{L}(\{b\})$ . We may assume without loss of generality that f, g are such that b is maximal. Note that  $f \circ f, g \circ g$  also satisfy the assumptions. If  $a_0, a_1 \in \operatorname{At}(L)$ , then  $f(a_0) \leq f(a_1)$  implies that  $0 \neq f(a_0) = f(a_0) \wedge f(a_1) = f(a_0 \wedge a_1)$  which in turn yields  $a_0 = a_1$ . Hence f is injective on  $\operatorname{At}(L)$ . Let  $a \in \operatorname{At}(L)$ . If a < g(f(a)), then there would exist  $c \in \operatorname{At}(L) \cap \operatorname{L}(\{g(f(a))\}) \setminus \operatorname{L}(\{a\})$ . Then  $f(a) \leq f(a) \vee f(c) \leq f(g(f(a))) = f(a)$ , and hence  $f(c) \leq f(a)$ . Therefore a = g(f(a)). Suppose that  $\{0\} \neq g^{-1}[\![0]\!]$ . There exists  $a \in \operatorname{At}(L) \cap g^{-1}[\![0]\!]$ . Then g(g(b)) = g(0) = 0 and g(g(f(a))) = g(a) = 0. It is clear that  $b < b \vee f(a) \in (g \circ g)^{-1}[\![0]\!]$ . This is a contradiction with the maximality of b. Hence  $0 \neq f(g(a)) \leq a$  and therefore f(g(a)) = a for each  $a \in \operatorname{At}(L)$ . Let  $g \in L$ . There exist  $a_0, \ldots, a_k \in \operatorname{At}(L)$  such that  $g = a_0 \vee \cdots \vee a_k$ . Then  $f(g(y)) = f(g(a_0)) \vee \cdots \vee f(g(a_k)) = a_0 \vee \cdots \vee a_k = y$  and  $g(f(y)) = g(f(a_0)) \vee \cdots \vee g(f(a_k)) = a_0 \vee \cdots \vee a_k = y$ .

If we denote  $\widetilde{\mathbf{R}(L)} := \{[f,g]: f \dashv g \& f \in \mathbf{R}(L)\}$  and  $\widetilde{\mathrm{Aut}(L)} := \{[f,f^{-1}]: f \in \mathrm{Aut}(L)\}$ , then Proposition 6 can be formulated as follows.

Let L be an atomistic lattice of finite length. Then

$$\widetilde{\mathrm{R}(L)} \cap (\mathrm{End}(L) \times \mathrm{End}(L)) = \widetilde{\mathrm{Aut}(L)}.$$

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