

On the Foundation of Orders in Groups

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0. Orderd groups, or o-groups, have been studied by G. Birkhoff, A. H. Clifford, H. Cartan, T. Nakayama, C. J. Everett and S. Ulam, J. von Neuman and others, while lattice ordered groups, or *l*-groups, also discussed by many mathematicians, G. Birkhoff and others.¹⁾

The present work is to establish the structure or order-buds (cf. below) in groups. This notion is closely conjugated with that of algebraic systems²⁾; in other words, an order-bud is nothing but the modification of an algebraic order in groups.

1. We shall begin with some definitions. Let \mathbf{G} be a group, e being its group identity, and P a subset of \mathbf{G} with the following properties ;

- i) $e \in P$,
- ii) $PP \subset P$.

We call such P *an order-bud in \mathbf{G}* ; in facts, we can define an order in \mathbf{G} , $x \leq y (P, l)$, $x, y \in G$, when $x^{-1}y \in P$, and another order, $x \leq y (P, r)$, when $yx^{-1} \in P$.

The former, $\leq (P, l)$, is called a, *left order* in \mathbf{G} , while the latter, $\leq (P, r)$, a *right order*.

(1. 1) If $x \leq y (P, l)$ or $x \leq y (P, r)$, then for all $t \in G$, $tx \leq ty (P, l)$ or $xt \leq yt (P, r)$ respectively.

It comes from the equalities $(tx)^{-1} \cdot ty = x^{-1}t^{-1}ty = x^{-1}y$ and $yt \cdot (xt)^{-1} = ytt^{-1}x^{-1} = yx^{-1}$.

(1. 2) The set of all t such that $x \leq t (P, l)$ or $x \leq t (P, r)$ coincides with $x \cdot P$ or $P \cdot x$ respectively.

We denote that $x \cdot P = P_x^l$, $P \cdot x = P_x^r$, then we have

(1. 3) $P_e^l = P_e^r = P$.

(1. 4) $y \in P_x^l$ implies $P_y^l \subset P_x^l$ and $y \in P_x^r$ implies $P_y^r \subset P_x^r$.

(1. 5) $a \cdot P_x^r = P_{ax}^l$, $P_x^r \cdot a = P_{xa}^r$,

If an order-bud P in \mathbf{G} fulfils the further condition ; for every $t \in G$,

iii) $tPt^{-1} \subset P$,

then we call P *normal*.

(1. 6) $P_a^l = P_a^r = a \cdot P = P \cdot a$ for normal P .

We put $P_a^l (= P_a^r) = P_a$ for normal P .

Let $\{P^\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ be a family of order-buds in \mathbf{G} , then the set-intersection of them

$$\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} P^\lambda$$

is also an order-bud in \mathbf{G} , and if all P^λ ; $\lambda \in \Lambda$, are normal, then $\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} P^\lambda$ is also normal. We next define $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} P^\lambda$ for (normal) order-buds P^λ ; $\lambda \in \Lambda$, as the intersection $\bigcap_{\lambda, \mu} P^{\lambda, \mu}$ for all (normal) $P^{\lambda, \mu}$ such that $P^\lambda \subset P^{\lambda, \mu}$.

(1. 7) $P \cup P' = [P, P']$, where $[X, Y]$ means the subsemi-group generated from the set-join $X + Y$ which is closed under multiplication.

The above assertions, taking together the E. H. Moore's theorem, suggests the following

Theorem 1. *The totality of (normal) order-buds in \mathbf{G} , denoting by \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{P}^N), forms a complete lattice with respect to the above defined operations \cup and \cap ; $\mathbf{P}^N \subset \mathbf{P}$.*

We remark that \mathbf{G} is the greatest element of \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{P}^N , while e the smallest of them.

2. We now denote the set of all elements x^{-1} such as belong to P by P^* , that is $P^* = P^{-1}$, and put $a \cdot P^* = P_a^{i*}$, $P^* \cdot a = P_a^{r*}$ for $P \in \mathbf{P}$.

(2. 1) If $P \in \mathbf{P}$ (or \mathbf{P}^N), $P^* \in \mathbf{P}$ (or resp. \mathbf{P}^N).

(2. 2) P_a^{i*} (or P_a^{r*}) coincides with the set of all t such that $t \leq a(P, l)$ (or resp. $t \leq a(P, r)$).

(2. 3) $P_a^{**} = P_a$.

(2. 4) $P_a \subset P'_a$ implies $P_a^* \subset P'^*_a$.

(2. 5) $P_a \subset P_b$ implies $P_a^* \subset P_b^*$.

Theorem 2. $(P \cap P')^* = P^* \cap P'^*$ and $(P \cup P')^* = P^* \cup P'^*$.

Proof. The former is obvious. The latter is obtained from the following relations: As $(P \cup P')^* \supset P^*$ and P'^* , we have

$$\begin{aligned} P \cup P' &= P^{**} \cup P'^{**} \subset (P^* \cup P'^*)^* \\ &\subset (P \cup P')^{**} = P \cup P'. \end{aligned}$$

We say that P^* is the reciprocal order-bud of P and P is self-reciprocal, if $P = P^*$. The totality of self-reciprocal elements of \mathbf{P} or \mathbf{P}^N is denoted by \mathbf{K} or \mathbf{K}^N respectively.

(2. 6) $G \in \mathbf{K}$, \mathbf{K}^N and $e \in \mathbf{K}$, \mathbf{K}^N .

(2. 7) For every $P \in \mathbf{P}$ (\mathbf{P}^N), $P \cap P^*$ and $P \cup P^* \in \mathbf{K}$ (\mathbf{K}^N).

(2. 8) If $P \in \mathbf{K}$ (\mathbf{K}^N), P is a (normal) subgroup of \mathbf{G} belongs to \mathbf{K} (\mathbf{K}^N).

Theorem 3. *\mathbf{K} is a complete lattice which is equal to the lattice of all subgroups of \mathbf{G} , and \mathbf{K}^N is a complete modular sublattice which is equal to the lattice of all normal subgroups of $\mathbf{G}^{(3)}$.*

3. We call the order which is generated from an order-bud P the order of P and denote the group \mathbf{G} in which the order of P is defined by $\mathbf{G}(P)$.

We next introduce an order-bud P^S in a subgroup \mathbf{S} of $\mathbf{G}(P)$ by putting $P^S = P \cap \mathbf{S}$, and define an order-bud P_H in the factor-group \mathbf{G}/\mathbf{H} , where \mathbf{H} is a normal subgroup of \mathbf{G} , by taking the set of all $t \cdot \mathbf{H}$, $t \in P$, in \mathbf{G}/\mathbf{H} . We call P^S or P_H the

derived order-bud of P in \mathbf{S} or in \mathbf{G}/\mathbf{H} respectively, and abbreviate the order of the derived order-bud to the derived order.

If P is normal, then P^S and P_H are both normal.

We say that, if $P \cup P^* = \mathbf{G}$, $=e$, $P \cap P^* = \mathbf{G}$, or $=e$, the order of P *connected*, *discrete*, *trivial*, or *proper* respectively.

(3. 1) The derived order of P in $\mathbf{G}/P \cup P^*$, $\mathbf{G}/P \cap P^*$, $P \cup P^*$, or $P \cap P^*$ is *discrete*, *proper*, *connected*, or *trivial* respectively.

(3. 2) If $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbf{K}$, the derived order \mathbf{S}^S is trivial, and if $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbf{K}^N$, the derived order \mathbf{H}_H is discrete.

Theorem 4. *That normal P is connected in $\mathbf{G}(P)$ implies that $\mathbf{G}(P)$ is a directed set with respect to the order of P , and vice versa.*⁴⁾

Proof. We denote the set of all x such that $x \in P_t^*$, $t \in P$, by R , then we have

- i) $e \in R$,
- ii) $R \cdot R \subset R$,
- iii) $aRa^{-1} \subset R$ for every $a \in \mathbf{G}$.

Hence R is a normal order-bud in \mathbf{G} . Since it is clear that $P \subset R$ and $P^* \subset R$, we have $\mathbf{G} = P \cup P^* \subset R$, that is $R = \mathbf{G}$. Consequently, for every pair a, b in \mathbf{G} , we can find two elements t and s such that $e, a \leq t(P)$, $e, b \leq s(P)$ and so we have $a \leq ts(P)$ and $b \leq ts(P)$.

Coversely, if \mathbf{G} is directed set for the order of P , for every $a \in \mathbf{G}$, there exists an element t of P such that $a \leq t$, and so we have $at^{-1} \in P^*$ and $t \in P$, that is

$$a = at^{-1}t \in P \cup P^*,$$

and consequently, a being arbitrary, it concludes that $\mathbf{G} \subset P \cup P^*$ and so $P \cup P^* = \mathbf{G}$.

Each left (right) coset $\bar{C}_x^l(P)$ ($\bar{C}_x^r(P)$) in $\mathbf{G}/P \cup P^*$, which contains x , is said to be the *left (right) component* of x by P , while each left (right) coset $\bar{C}_x^l(P)$ ($\bar{C}_x^r(P)$) in $\mathbf{G}/P \cap P^*$, which contains x , the left (right) trivialkernel of x by P .

(3. 3) $a \in \bar{C}_x^l(P)$ implies $\bar{C}_a^l(P) = \bar{C}_x^l(P)$, and so for $\bar{C}_x^r(P)$.

(3. 4) $a \in \bar{C}_x^r(P)$ implies $\bar{C}_a^r(P) = \bar{C}_x^r(P)$, and so for $\bar{C}_x^l(P)$.

(3. 5) Putting $\bar{C}_e^l(P) = \bar{C}_e^r(P) = \bar{C}(P)$, $\bar{C}(P)$ belongs to \mathbf{K} ; $\bar{C}_x^l(P) = x \cdot \bar{C}(P)$, and $\bar{C}_x^r(P) = \bar{C}(P) \cdot x$. If $P \in \mathbf{P}^N$, $\bar{C}(P) \in \mathbf{K}^N$.

(3. 6) Putting $\underline{C}_e^l(P) = \underline{C}_e^r(P) = \underline{C}(P)$, $\underline{C}(P)$ belongs to \mathbf{K} ; $\underline{C}_x^l(P) = x \cdot \underline{C}(P)$, and $\underline{C}_x^r(P) = \underline{C}(P) \cdot x$. If $P \in \mathbf{P}^N$, $\underline{C}(P) \in \mathbf{K}^N$.

(3. 7) $P \subset Q$ impiles $\bar{C}_x^l(P) \subset \bar{C}_x^l(Q)$, and so for the others, $\bar{C}_x^r(P)$, $\underline{C}_x^l(P)$, and $\underline{C}_x^r(P)$.

(3. 8) $(\bar{C}_x^l(P))^* = \bar{C}_x^l(P)$, $(\bar{C}_x^r(P))^* = \bar{C}_x^r(P)$.

(3. 9) $(\underline{C}_x^l(P))^* = \underline{C}_x^l(P)$, $(\underline{C}_x^r(P))^* = \underline{C}_x^r(P)$.

We have generally that for every $x \in G$,

$$(3.10) \quad x \in \underline{C}_x^r(P) \subset \left\{ \frac{P_x^l}{P_x^{l*}} \right\} \subset \bar{C}_x^l(P) \subset \mathbf{G},$$

and similiary

$$(3.11) \quad x \in \underline{C}_x^r(P) \subset \left\{ \frac{P_x^r}{P_x^{r*}} \right\} \subset \bar{C}_x^r(P) \subset \mathbf{G}.$$

As $\bar{C}_x^l(P) = \mathbf{G}(=e)$ for some x implies $\bar{C}(P) = \mathbf{G}(=e)$ and that is same for $\bar{C}_x^r(P)$, the order of P being connected or discrete is characterized by the equality $\bar{C}_x^l(P) = \mathbf{G}$ or $=x$ resp., otherwise $\bar{C}_x^r(P) = \mathbf{G}$ or $=x$ resp. for some x .

Analogously, the order of P being trivial or proper is characterized by the equality $\underline{C}^x(P) = \mathbf{G}$ or $=e$ resp., otherwise $C_x^r(P) = \mathbf{G}$ or $=e$ resp. for some x .

$\mathbf{G}(P)$ is decomposed into the direct sum of left or right components, or into that of left or right trivial-kernels; for example,

$$(3.12) \quad \mathbf{G}(P) = \sum_{\lambda \in \Delta} \bar{C}_\lambda^l(P), \quad \mathbf{G}(P) = \sum_{\mu \in \Delta'} \underline{C}_\mu^r(P),$$

and each component $\bar{C}_\lambda^l(P)$ is also decomposed in some direct sum of trivial-kernels;

$$\bar{C}_\lambda^l(P) = \sum \bar{C}_{\lambda, \mu}^l(P).$$

Here every component is a directed set with respect to the order of P , while every trivial-kernel is a trivial set, *i.e.* for its arbitrary two elements x and y , it is always that $x \leq y (P, l)$.

$$(3.13) \quad \text{If } P \text{ is self-reciprocal, then } \bar{C}_x^l(P) \doteq \underline{C}_x^l(P) \text{ and } \bar{C}_x^r(P) = C_x^r(P).$$

In general, we hold some duality between components and trivial-kernels as follows;

$$\textbf{Theorem 5.} \quad \bar{C}_x(\underline{C}(P)) = \underline{C}_x(P), \quad \underline{C}_x(\bar{C}(P)) = \bar{C}_x(P), \text{ for } P \in \mathbf{P}^{\mathbf{N}}$$

References.

- 1) Numerous literatures on o-groups and l -groups are noted in the Birkhoff's work: G. Birkhoff, Lattice Theory (1948)
- 2) Algebraic orders in generalized algebraic systems shall be discussed later.
- 3) The lattice of subgroups or normal subgroups is discussed by Prof. K. Shoda, O. Ore, etc.
- 4) Sometimes o-groups are *a priori* defined as directed sets; *e.g.* C. Everett and S. Ulrm, On ordered groups, Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. 57(1945). But our Theorem 4 indicates the fundamental meaning of this postulation.
- 5) Order-buds are sometimes defined in the form as follows;

*) $e \notin P$.

This example is *e.g.* found in Iwasawa's paper:

K. Iwasawa, On linearly ordered groups, Jour. of the Math. Soc. Japan, Vol. 1, No. 1 (1948)

But it is not suitable for the construction of order-algebra.